



TEQ Steering Committee Meeting Delft – 9th November 2018

MINUTES

1. Welcome by the SC Chair and adoption of the agenda

The members present at the Meeting are:

UniTS	A. Bassi, M. Carlesso, G. Gasbarri, L. Asprea, C. Jones, I. Spagnul
INFN	C. Curceanu, M. Bazzi
UCL	P. Barker, A. Rahman, T. Penney
QUB	M. Paternostro, M.M. Marchese
AU	M. Drewsen
TUD	L. Manna, A. Houtepen, J. Mulder, L. De Trizio, F. De Donato
UoS	H. Ulbricht, A. Vinante, M. Toroš
OEAW	A. Belenchia, I. Kull

The chair presents the agenda, with added items with respect to what communicated prior to the meeting (see attachment). The agenda was adopted by the SC members.

2. Review of the first of month of activity

The Chair summarizes the main information of the TEQ project and lists the past TEQ SC meetings and TEQ official meetings.

- ✓ Kick off meeting: 2nd February 2018 (Trieste, IT)
- ✓ WG meeting: 28th March 2018 (London, UK)
- ✓ WG meeting: 22nd June 2018 (Southampton, UK)
- ✓ Workshop + SC meeting: 7th – 8th November 2018 (Delft, NL)

The next TEQ SC meetings will be on 25th February 2019 in Brussels, the Review Meeting will be in Brussels on 26th February 2019.



The Chair presents the Dissemination and Communication activities so far implemented by the Consortium and described on the TEQ Website. Regarding publications and pre-prints, he gives an overview of the differences in numbers between publications and pre-prints on the Website, on OpenAire and the EU Participant Portal.

Irene Spagnul (TEQ's Administrative Officer) presents the updates of the TEQ's Website (with a focus on Dissemination part and Document part).

Catalina Curceanu (INFN) presents the draft of the TEQ Dissemination and Exploitation Plan (DEP) that has to be delivered by month 12 of the project (December 2018). Discussion followed on changes and additions. The draft is updated and partners agree to review once more the Deliverable draft once it is ready (preparation by UniTS).

3. Mid-term workshop on the topic of the TEQ

From the GA: *...organization of a workshop on the topic of "Redefining the foundations of physics in the quantum technology era", which will be held in Trieste in the second year of TEQ's lifetime.*

The Chair leads the discussion on the possible dates for the workshop. The Week of September 16th (September 16-19) is agreed among the partners. The Title of the workshop is agreed as written in the GA. The partners agree on the following committees:

Local Committee: Angelo Bassi, Irene Spagnul

Programme Committee: Angelo Bassi (chair), Catalina Curceanu, Peter Barker, Mauro Paternostro, Michael Drewsen, Liberato Manna, Hendrik Ulbricht, Caslav Brukner, Nils Hempler

The Chair invites the partners to start thinking about the people to invite, being September a busy period.

4. Publications – EU policy on open access

Irene Spagnul (UniTS) presents the EU policy on open access for H2020 FETOPEN publications (obligations and guidelines). The partners are encouraged to use open access publishers or publishers who give less than 6 months' embargo on publications. Moreover, the partners are invited to use the platform Zenodo to deposit and give free access to their research dataset (unless they are allowed to do it on their institutional repositories). Partners discuss on this topic.

5. Discussion of the deliverables due by the end of the year

The Chair recaps deliverables that were already done and deposited to date. The partners discuss on the deliverables that are due by the end of December 2018 (month12).

TUD (D2): discussion on the main aspects of the Deliverable D2 among the partners on the basis of the draft developed by the corresponding WP lead beneficiary.

Presentation from UCL (P. Barker) on work done, followed by discussion.

INFN (D6): discussion on the main aspects of the Deliverable D6 among the partners on the basis of the draft developed by the corresponding WP lead beneficiary.

QUB (D14): discussion on the main aspects of the Deliverable D14 among the partners on the basis of the draft developed by the corresponding WP lead beneficiary.

UoS (D10): discussion on the main aspects of the Deliverable D10 among the partners on the basis of the draft developed by the corresponding WP lead beneficiary.

Presentations from UoS (H. Ulbricht and A. Vinante) on work done followed by discussion.

The Chair reminds the partners to use the Deliverable template available on the TEQ Website (Communication kit).

6. Financial report

The Chair presents a financial sheet with main budget lines for each partner and main expenditure per given period (month 1-10) for UniTS. The partners give feedback on their expenditure situation at the given moment. No critical issues are raised – expenditures are proceeding as planned.

7. Recruitment plan

The Chair presents the Recruitment plan and invites partners to give updates. Discussion of the situation on recruitment for each partner. No critical issues are raised.

Here below the situation by partner:

- ✓ UniTS: delay on recruitment of the administration officer (expected) + recruitment procedure of RTDA (senior researcher) ongoing.
- ✓ OEAW: gives the new recruitment plan for the project development.
- ✓ QUB: had to replace the PostDoc. New PostDoc will start on month 13.
- ✓ TUDelft: ok
- ✓ UCL: little delay on recruitment of technician.
- ✓ UoS: ok
- ✓ AU: ok
- ✓ INFN: recruitment of electrical engineer is delayed and temporarily replaced with researcher.

Partners are asked to update the document and send it back to the lead partner as soon as possible.

8. Preparation of the review meeting (26.02.2019)

The Chair presents the draft agenda and the partners discuss the content of the presentation to be done at the review meeting and the setup of the presentations.

9:00 – 9:15 R. Borissov (chair) Introduction, tour du table
9:15 – 9:45 Overview by the coordinator
9:45 – 10:30 WP 1
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16:15 – 16:45 Assessment preparation by monitors and PO
16:45 – 17:00 R. Borissov Closing

9. Continuous reporting

Irene Spagnol (UniTS) presents the Continuous reporting sections and contents on the EU Participant Portal. The reporting is ongoing and the partners are encouraged to feed the reporting with their data through the lead partner UniTS.

10. Milestones

The partners discuss the project milestones, in particular the first one (due at month 12): Preparation of NCs (WP1 – lead beneficiary AU).

11. Deliverables for 2019

The Chair gives an overview of the Deliverables due in 2019 (months 13-24).



12. Next SC Meeting

The Chair presents the next SC Meetings for 2019:

Where: Brussels

When: 25th February 2019 (day before the review meeting, also for the rehearsal)

Structure: full-day meeting, internal to the consortium.

The Following SC meeting will be in connection to the workshop September 2019 in Trieste.

13.AOB

14.Closing

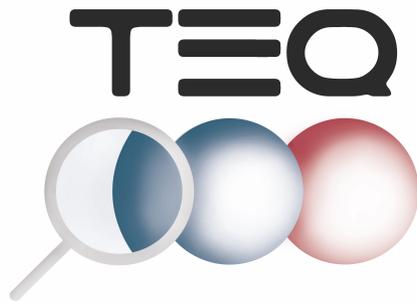
Angelo Bassi, Chair, wraps up the discussion on management issues and thanks everyone for the hard work and the fruitful collaboration.

ANNEX: Presentation SC Meeting _ Angelo Bassi

(added items underlined)

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Testing the large-scale limit of quantum mechanics



Steering Committee Meeting

Delft 9th November 2018

Angelo Bassi - Chair

1. Welcome and adoption of agenda

Angelo Bassi - UniTs & chair

Catalina Curceanu – INFN

Peter Barker – ULC

Mauro Paternostro – QUB

Michael Drewsen – AU

Liberato Manna & Arjan Houtepen – TUD & Local Host

Hendrik Ulbricht – UoS

Alessio Belenchia (replacing Caslav Brukner) – OEAW

**A warm welcome to Irene Spagnul, TEQ's Administrative
Officer**

Agenda of SC Meeting

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2. Review of the first months of activity relevant dates

Start date: 1st January 2018

Duration: 48 months

Budget: 4.371.473,75 Eur

Total PMs: 603,80

Project Officer: Dr. Roumen Borissov

Next SC meeting: 25th February in Brussels

Review meeting: 26th February in Brussels

2. Review of the first months of activity past SC meetings & official meetings

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2. Review of the first months of activity website and information therein

www.tequantum.eu

www.facebook.com/TEQuantum

www.twitter.com/TEQuantum

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2. Review of the first months of activity

communication and dissemination activities

	Website	OpenAire	EU Portal
Publications	13	11	Copied from OpenAire + manual
Preprints	27 (13+14)		
Talks	54		
Press Releases	3		
Newsletters	2		
Press Articles	18		
Multimedia	1		

Irene Spagnol (Administrative Officer - UniTs)

Catalina Curceanu (Press Officer - INFN)

3. Mid-term workshop

FROM THE GA: *...organization of a workshop on the topic of “Redefining the foundations of physics in the quantum technology era”, which will be held in Trieste in the second year of TEQ’s lifetime. We will invite 20 leading figures in the communities relevant to TEQ to contribute to a 4- day workshop open to participants outside the Consortium and will have two objectives: fostering new collaborations among the participants (mixing experimental and theoretical efforts), leading to new proposals for funding, increasing the visibility of the area at the core of TEQ, and identifying new directions and problems to tackle. Ideally, this will become the 1st of a series of workshops on the themes addressed by our Work Plan [...] The participation of about 100 attendees is estimated, including TEQ members, their students, and researchers external to TEQ*

3. Mid-term workshop

Place: Trieste, IT

Dates (4 days): Week of September 16th 2019

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4. Publications

EU policy on open access

Irene Spagnul (Administrative Officer – UniTs)

5. Discussion of deliverables due by the end of the year

WP No	Del Rel.	Del No	Title	Lead Beneficiary	Nature	Dissemin	Est. Del. Date (▲	Receipt Date
WP5	D5.1	D19	Website	UNITS	Website	Public	28 Feb 2018	15 Mar 2018
WP6	D6.1	D24	Press releases	UNITS	Website	Public	31 Mar 2018	28 Mar 2018
WP5	D5.2	D20	Data Management Plan	UNITS	ORDP: (Public	30 Jun 2018	28 Jun 2018
WP1	D1.2	D2	1-Colloidal NCs	TU Delft	Report	Public	31 Dec 2018	
WP2	D2.1	D6	Low noise electronics	INFN	Report	Public	31 Dec 2018	
WP3	D3.1	D10	Low noise environment	SOUTH...	Report	Public	31 Dec 2018	
WP4	D4.1	D14	Calibration of decoherence	QUB	Report	Public	31 Dec 2018	
WP6	D6.2	D25	Popular press articles	UNITS	Website	Public	31 Dec 2018	
WP6	D6.5	D28	Dissemination and Exploitat	UNITS	Report	Confide	31 Dec 2018	

6. Financial report

	Direct Personnel costs (as per MoU)	Direct Personnel costs (as of today)	Other Direct costs (as per MoU)	Other Direct costs (as of today)	Indirect costs	TOTAL
UniTs	417.008,00	60.785,46	80.000,00	2.513,34	124.252,00	621.260,00
INFN	200.000,00		107.500,00		76.875,00	384.375,00
UCL	222.703,00		192.494,00		103.799,25	518.996,25
QUB	309.259,00		44.500,00		88.439,75	442.198,75
AU	275.000,00		137.500,00		103.125,00	515.625,00
TUD	251.572,00		63.500,00		78.768,00	393.840,00
UoS	239.997,00		342.396,00		145.598,25	727.991,25
OEAW	265.000,00		32.900,00		74.475,00	372.375,00
M2	175.000,00		140.850,00		78.962,50	394.812,50
<i>Total</i>	<i>2.355.539,00</i>		<i>1.141.640,00</i>		<i>874.294,75</i>	<i>4.371.473,75</i>

7. Recruitment Plan update

First update
at the kick off meeting
2nd February 2018

8. Preparation for the review meeting

draft agenda (Brussels, 26th February 2019)

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8. Preparation for the review meeting

discussion - how to present it in a coordinated way

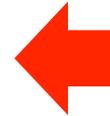
<p>Structure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Common ppt template • 30 minutes + 15 discussion? • For each WP: Overview (units & PM involved, objectives, tasks, deliver.) 	<p>WP1 – Trapping (45') Speaker: M. Drewsen</p>	<p>WP2 – Cooling (45') Speaker: P. Barker</p>
<p>Overview - coordinator (30')</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome • Scientific project • Impact • Consortium • Presentation of WPs • Milestones, deliverables... 	<p>WP3 - Testing (45') Speaker: H. Ulbricht</p>	<p>WP4 – Enabling (45') Speaker: M. Paternostro</p>
<p>Financial data (30') Speaker: I. Spagnul (?)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall budget • Budget of each unit – year 1 	<p>WP5 – Management (15') Speaker: A. Bassi</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meetings & activities • CA, DEP, DMP, RP ... • Setup website 	<p>WP6 – Dissemination (15') Speaker: C. Curceanu</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview - statistics • Talks & interviews • Newsletters • Press articles & releases • Quantum Café

9. Continuous Reporting

Irene Spagnul (Administrative Officer – UniTs)

10. Milestones

Milestone number ¹⁸	Milestone title	WP number ⁹	Lead beneficiary	Due Date (in months) ¹⁷	Means of verification
MS1	Preparation of NCs	WP1	2 - AU	12	Preparation of NCs with minimum absorption & stable against aggregation. Means of verification: Combination of optical, electron microscopy, and surface analysis methods
MS2	NC-Trapping	WP1	2 - AU	24	NC-Trapping in low-noise environment. Means of verification: Measurement of temperature of NCs
MS3	Cooling	WP2	7 - UCL	36	Cooling of internal and centre-of-mass (CoM) degrees of freedom of a charged NC Means of verification: Changes in the line shape of the mechanical CoM and cooling transition
MS4	New tests for collapse models	WP4	5 - QUB	36	New tests for the energy-conserving CSL model (ecCSL) and for the Schrödinger-Newton equation (SN). Means of verification: Rigorous modelling of non-interferometric tests for ecCSL and SN
MS5	The final experiment	WP3	8 - SOUTHAMPTON	42	Experimental test of the quantum superposition principle. Means of verification: Observation of broadening of mechanical spectral line.
MS6	Quantum & Gravity	WP4	5 - QUB	48	Time dilation decoherence & gravity-induced collapse. Means of verification: Connection between time dilation decoherence and gravity-induced collapse



11. Deliverables (from year 2)

Deliverable Number ¹⁴	Deliverable Title	WP number ⁹	Lead beneficiary	Type ¹⁵	Dissemination level ¹⁶	Due Date (in months) ¹⁷
D1.1	Rf trap for NCs	WP1	2 - AU	Report	Public	24
D1.2	1-Colloidal NCs	WP1	6 - TU Delft	Report	Public	12
D1.3	2-Colloidal NCs	WP1	6 - TU Delft	Report	Public	24
D1.4	Loading and control device	WP1	7 - UCL	Report	Public	36
D1.5	Quantification of heating	WP1	5 - QUB	Report	Public	36
D2.1	Low noise electronics	WP2	3 - INFN	Report	Public	12
D2.2	Optimal cooling strategies	WP2	8 - SOUTHAMPTON	Report	Public	27
D2.3	Internal state cooling	WP2	7 - UCL	Report	Public	38
D2.4	Quantify decoherence	WP2	5 - QUB	Report	Public	44
D3.1	Low noise environment	WP3	8 - SOUTHAMPTON	Report	Public	12
D3.2	Systematic effects investigated	WP3	8 - SOUTHAMPTON	Report	Public	28
D3.3	Ultimate experiment	WP3	8 - SOUTHAMPTON	Report	Public	40
D3.4	General bound	WP3	5 - QUB	Report	Public	48
D4.1	Calibration of decoherence	WP4	5 - QUB	Report	Public	12
D4.2	Bounds to CSL & SN models	WP4	5 - QUB	Report	Public	18
D4.3	Size of superposition	WP4	5 - QUB	Report	Public	24
D4.4	Bounds to the ecCSL model	WP4	1 - UNITS	Report	Public	36

D4.5	Time-dilation/gravity collapse	WP4	4 - OEAW	Report	Public	44
D5.1	Website	WP5	1 - UNITS	Websites, patents filling, etc.	Public	2
D5.2	Data Management Plan	WP5	1 - UNITS	ORDP: Open Research Data Pilot	Public	6
D5.3	Project Review meeting documents M12	WP5	1 - UNITS	Report	Confidential, only for members of the consortium (including the Commission Services)	14
D5.4	Project Review meeting documents M30	WP5	1 - UNITS	Report	Confidential, only for members of the consortium (including the Commission Services)	32
D5.5	Project Review meeting documents M48	WP5	1 - UNITS	Report	Confidential, only for members of the consortium (including the Commission Services)	48
D6.1	Press releases	WP6	1 - UNITS	Websites, patents filling, etc.	Public	3
D6.2	Popular press articles	WP6	1 - UNITS	Websites, patents filling, etc.	Public	12
D6.3	Videos	WP6	1 - UNITS	Websites, patents filling, etc.	Public	20
D6.4	Workshop	WP6	1 - UNITS	Websites, patents filling, etc.	Public	24
D6.5	Dissemination and Exploitation Plan	WP6	1 - UNITS	Report	Confidential, only for members of the consortium (including the Commission Services)	12

12. Next SC meeting

Where: Brussels

When: 25th February 2019 (day before the review meeting, also for the rehearsal)

Structure: Half-day meeting, internal to the consortium.

Following SC meeting – in connection to the workshop
September 2019

13. AOB

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Many thanks for the collaboration
See you in Brussels!



**Testing the large-scale
limit of
Quantum Mechanics**

Opto-electric feedback cooling in a linear Paul trap

Thomas Penny
UCL Optomechanics

Contents



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- The Experiment
- Mass Loss
- Parametric Feedback Cooling
- Conclusions

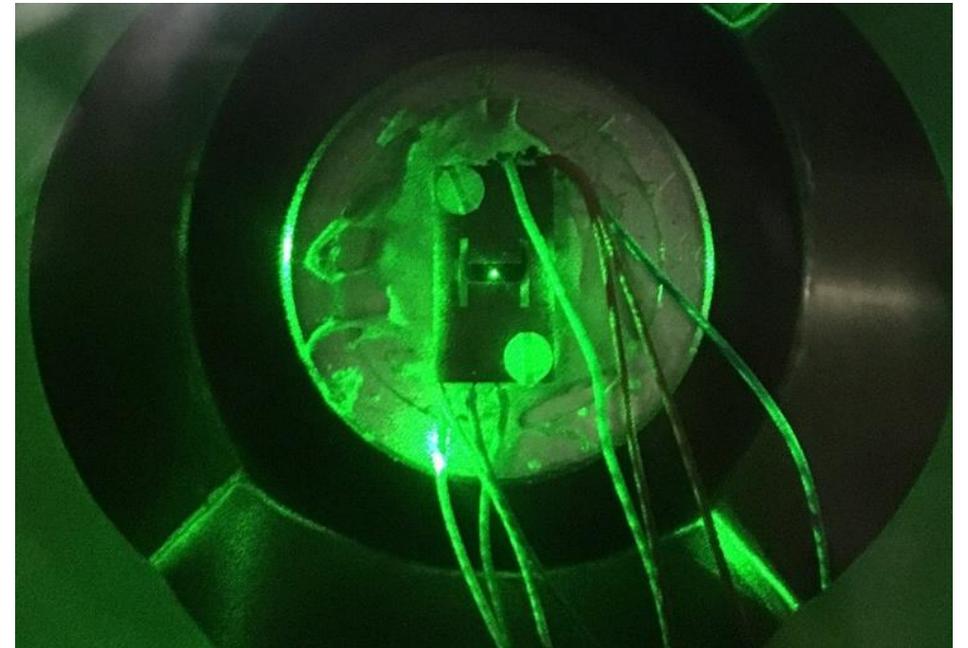
Introduction

Motivation

Measuring heating rates from collapse models

Particles levitated in Paul Trap are well isolated

Need to cool to make the heating rates more dominant

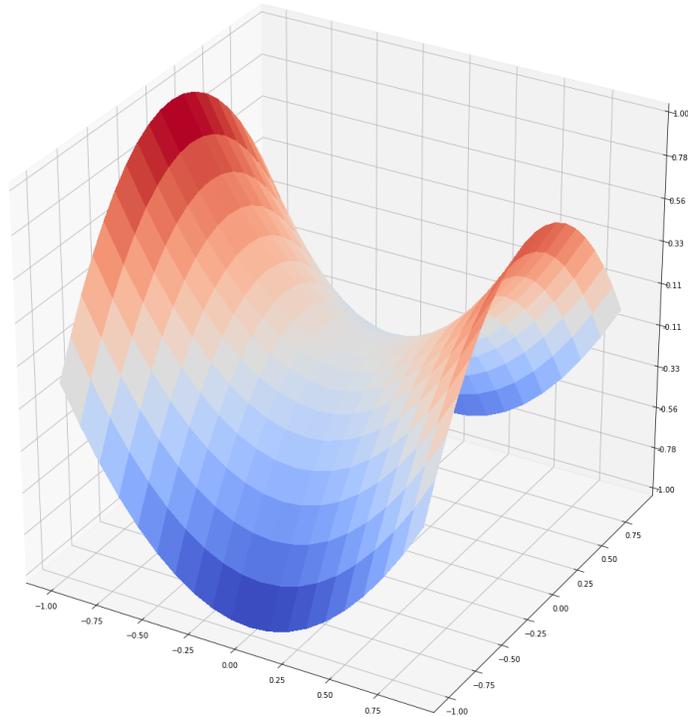


Dynamic Electric Field

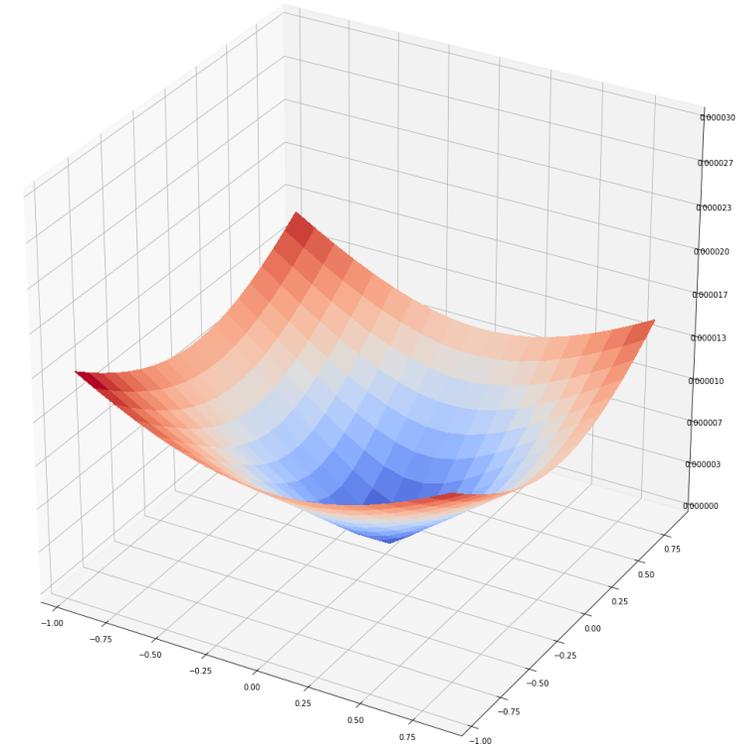
$$V(x, y, z) = V_0(\alpha'x^2 + \beta'y^2 + \gamma'z^2)$$

$$\alpha' + \beta' + \gamma' = 0$$

$$\frac{q}{4m\omega_d^2} |\nabla V(x, y, z)|^2$$



Anti-Trapping \longrightarrow Trapping



Motion in a Paul Trap



$$x(t) \approx 2AC_0 \cos(\beta_x \frac{\omega_d t}{2}) [1 - \frac{q_x}{2} \cos(\omega_d t)]$$

$$|a_x|, q_x^2 \ll 1$$

$$\beta_x \approx \sqrt{a_x + q_x^2/2}$$

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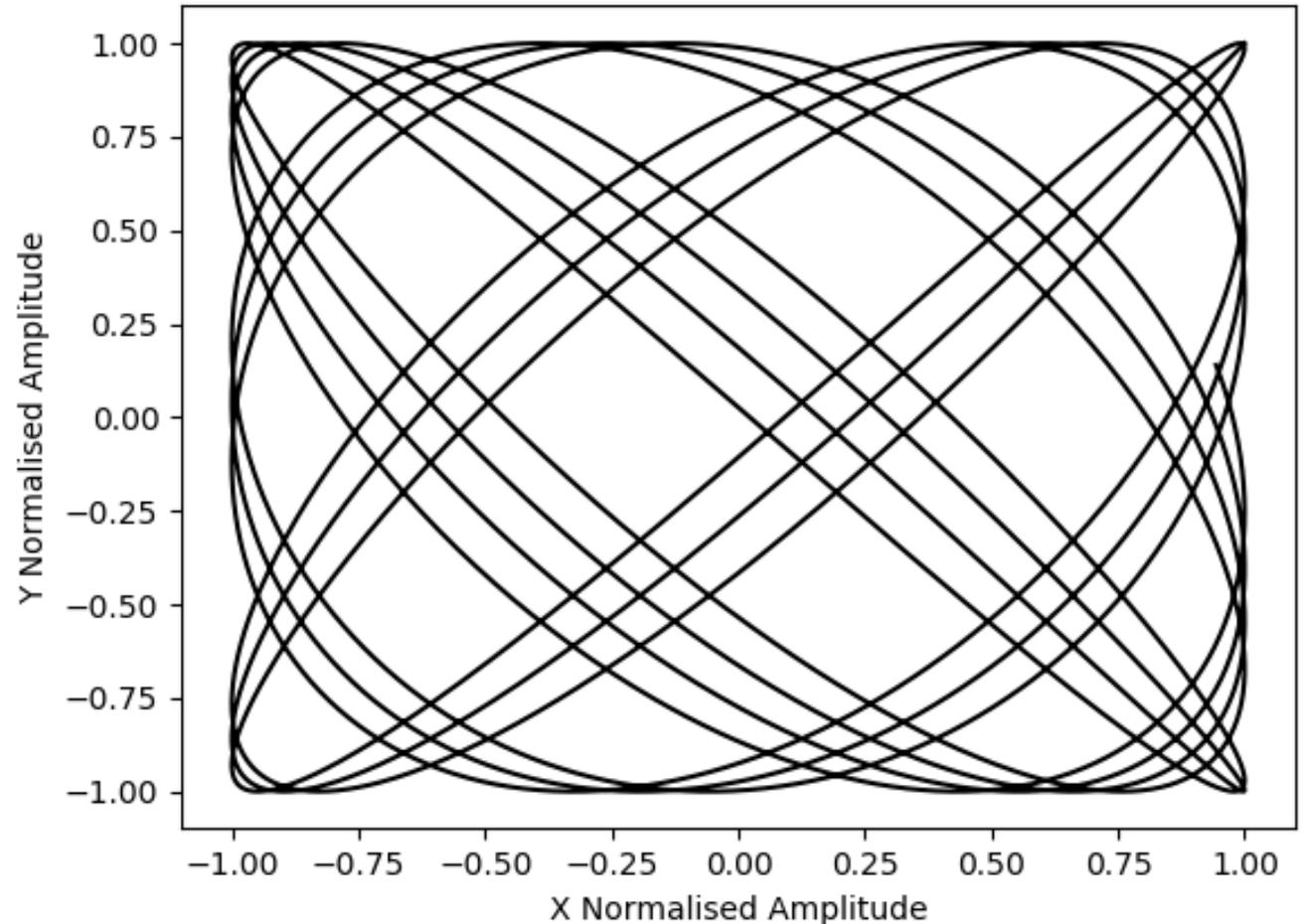
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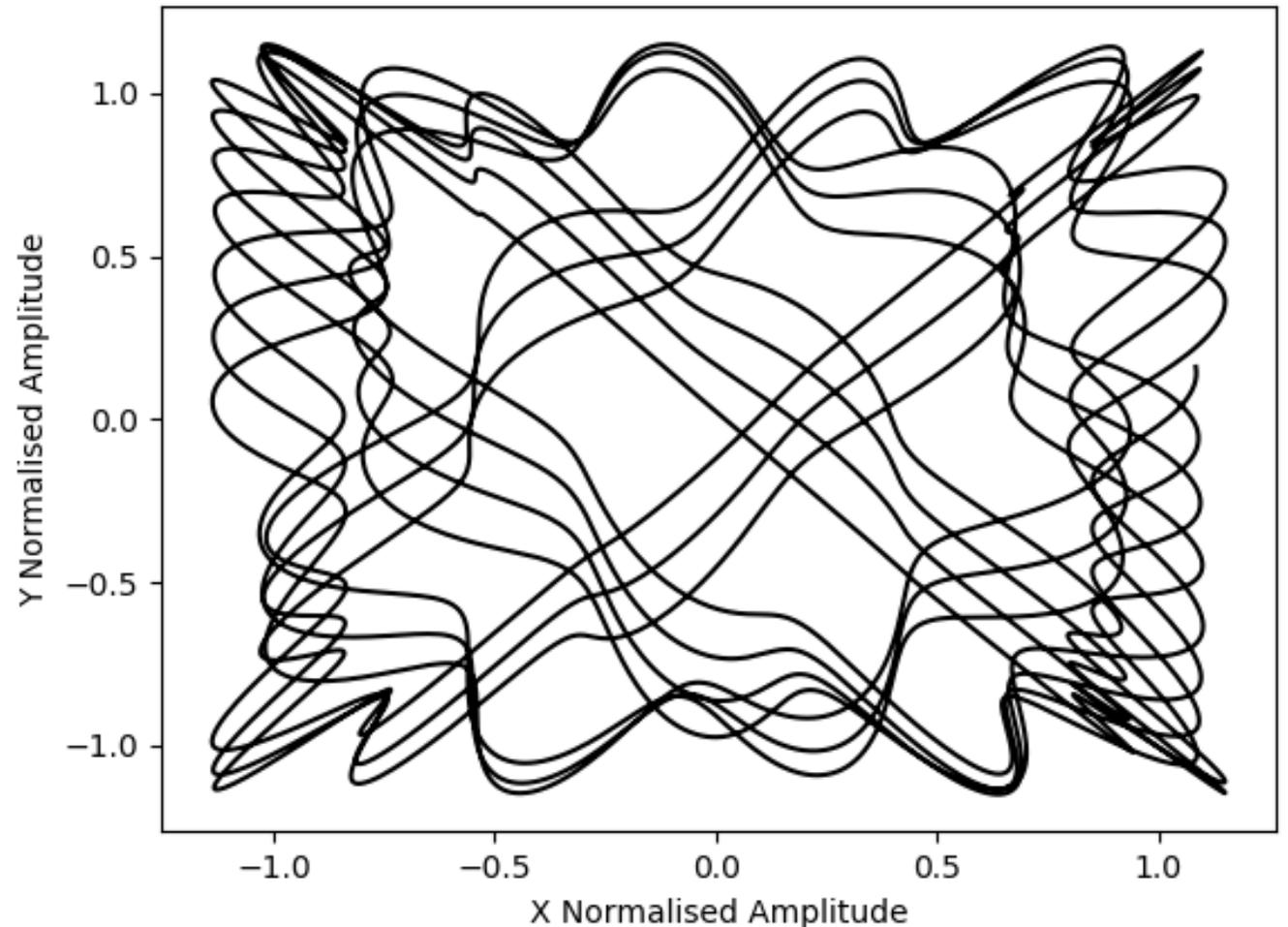
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Secular Frequency

$$\omega_x = \sqrt{\left(\frac{qV_0\alpha'}{m\omega_d}\right)^2 - \frac{qU_0\alpha}{m}}$$

$$\omega_y = \sqrt{\left(\frac{qV_0\beta'}{m\omega_d}\right)^2 - \frac{qU_0\beta}{m}}$$

$$\omega_z = \sqrt{\left(\frac{qV_0\gamma'}{m\omega_d}\right)^2 + \frac{qU_0\gamma}{m}}$$

V_0 RF Voltage Amplitude

U_0 DC Voltage Amplitude

ω_d Drive Frequency

$\frac{q}{m}$ Charge to mass ratio
of trapped particle

$$\alpha' = 2.7 \times 10^9$$

$$\beta' = \alpha'$$

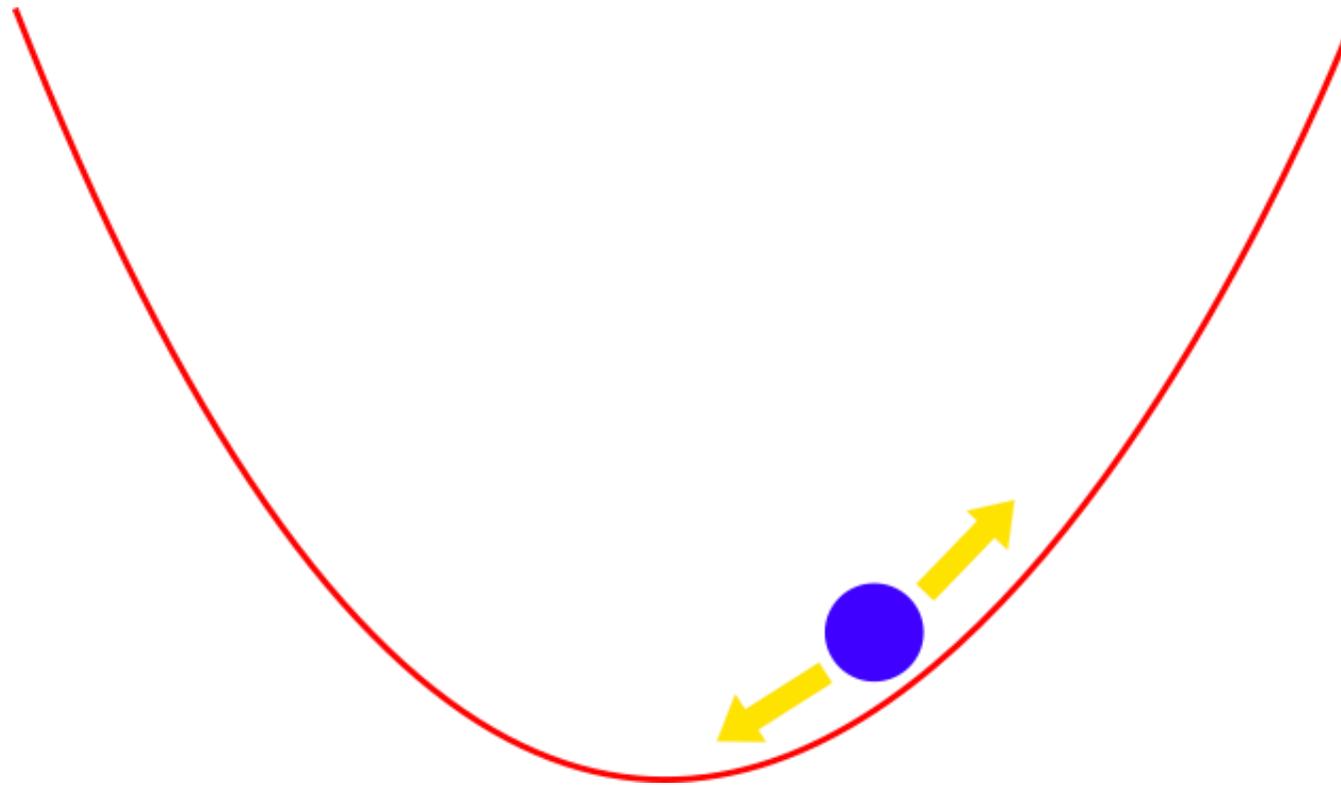
$$\gamma' = 10^6$$

$$\alpha = 1.2 \times 10^6$$

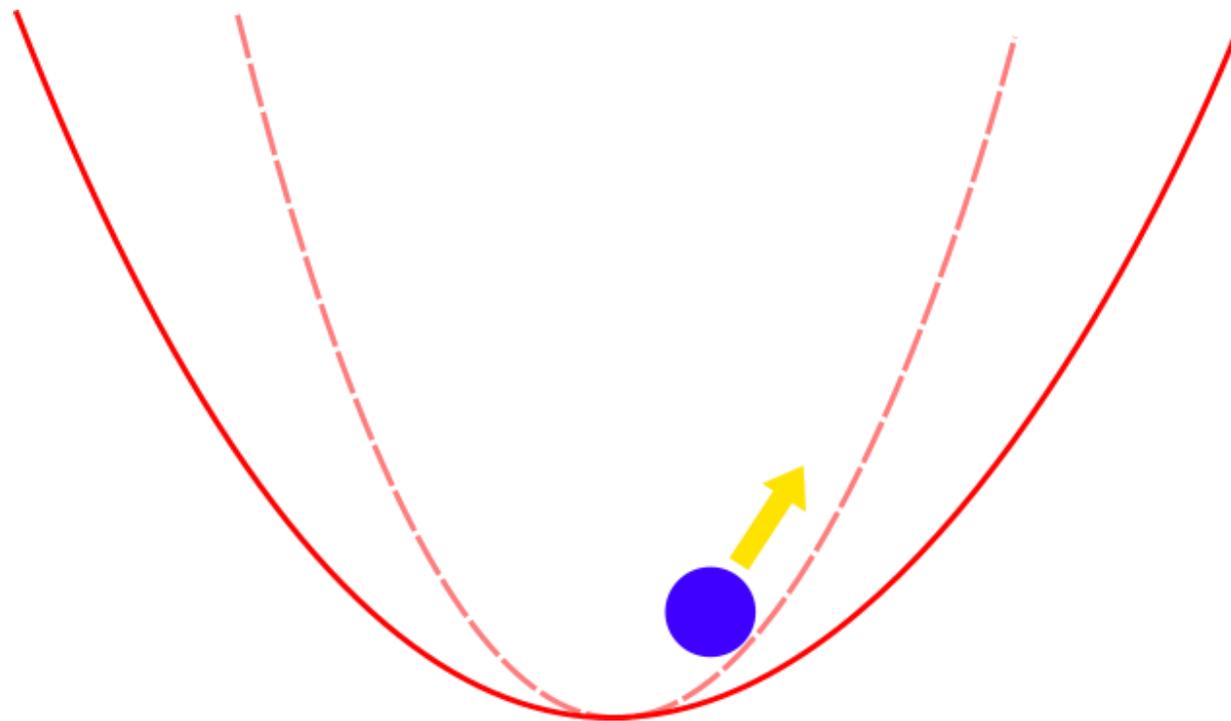
$$\beta = -2.6 \times 10^5$$

$$\gamma = 8.5 \times 10^5$$

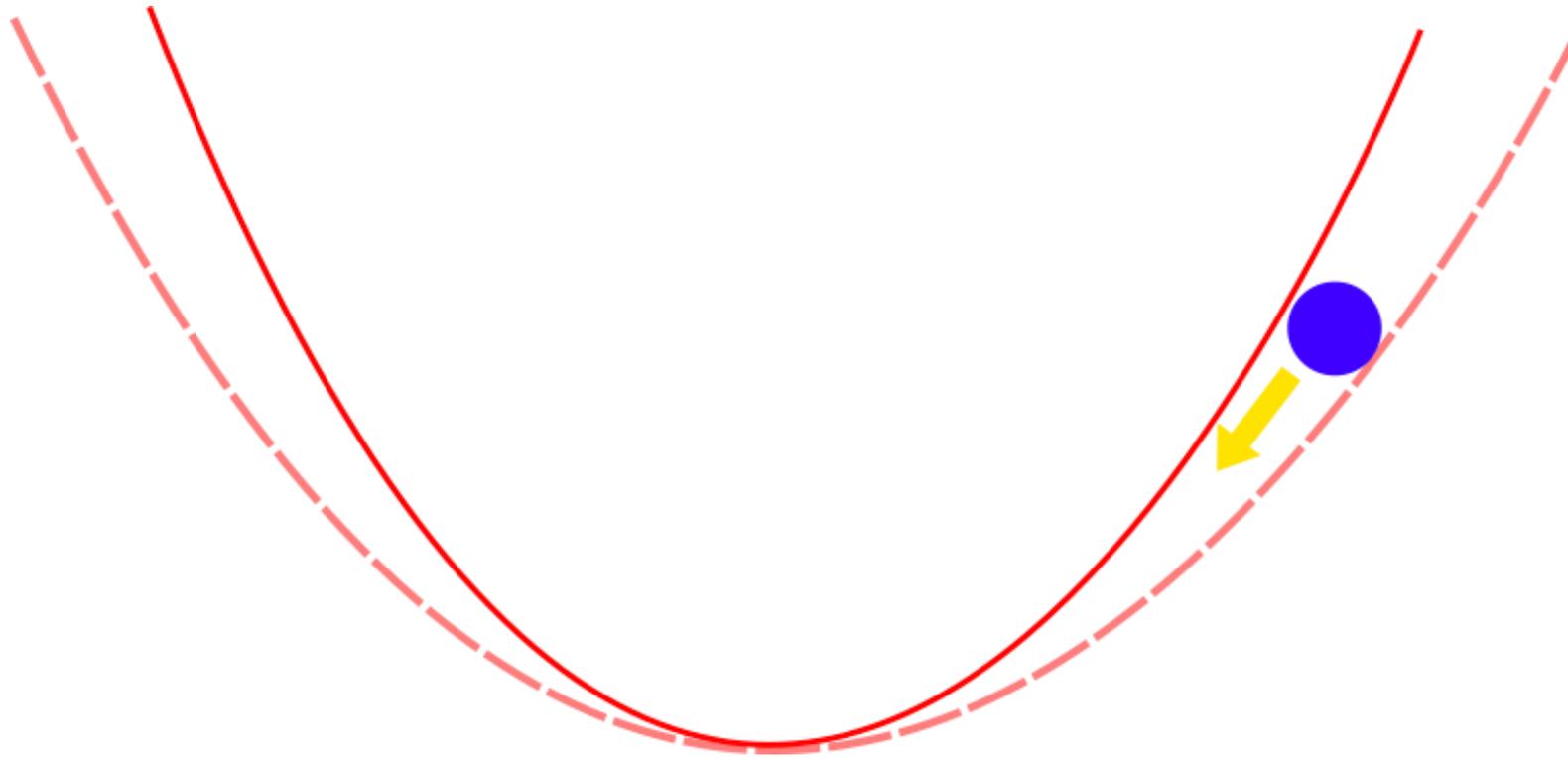
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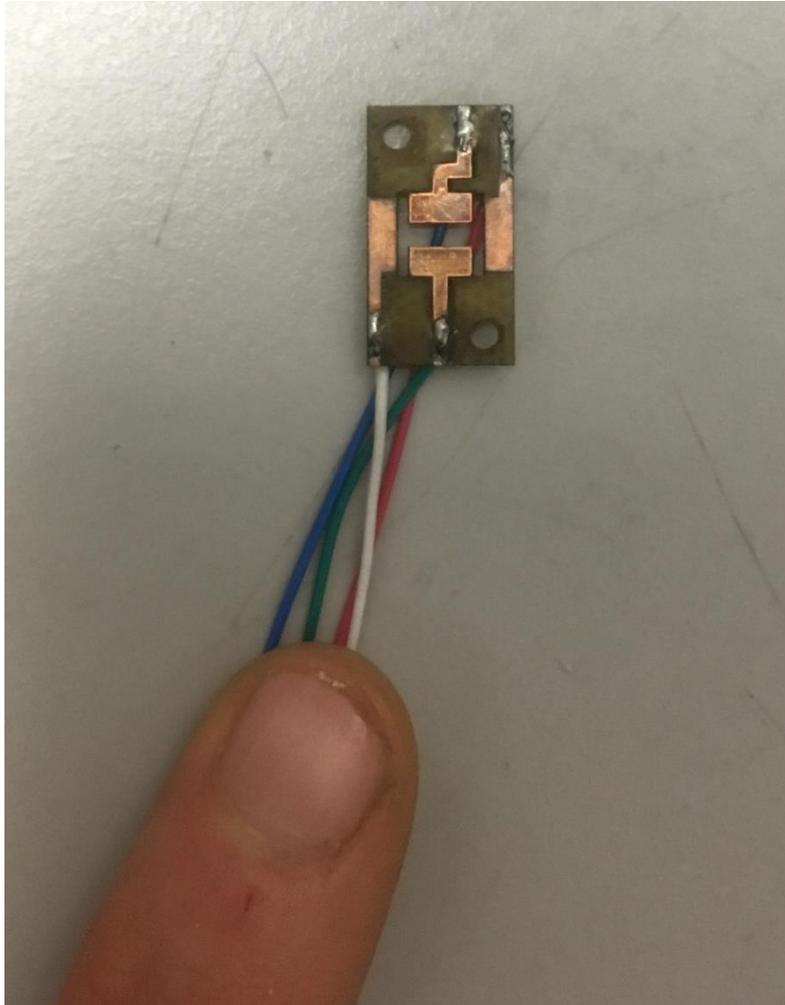


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The Experiment

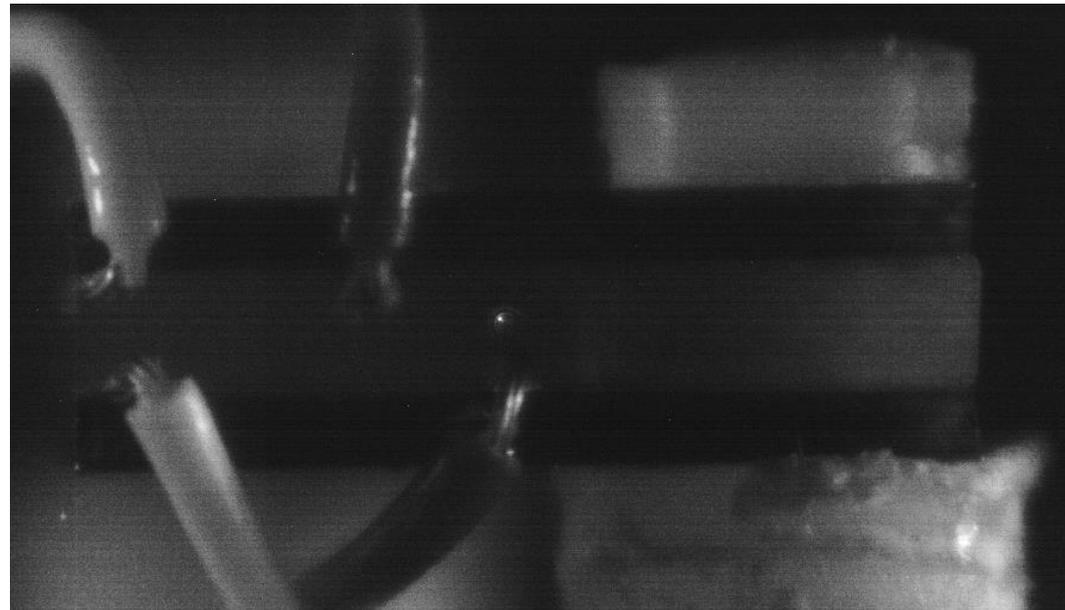
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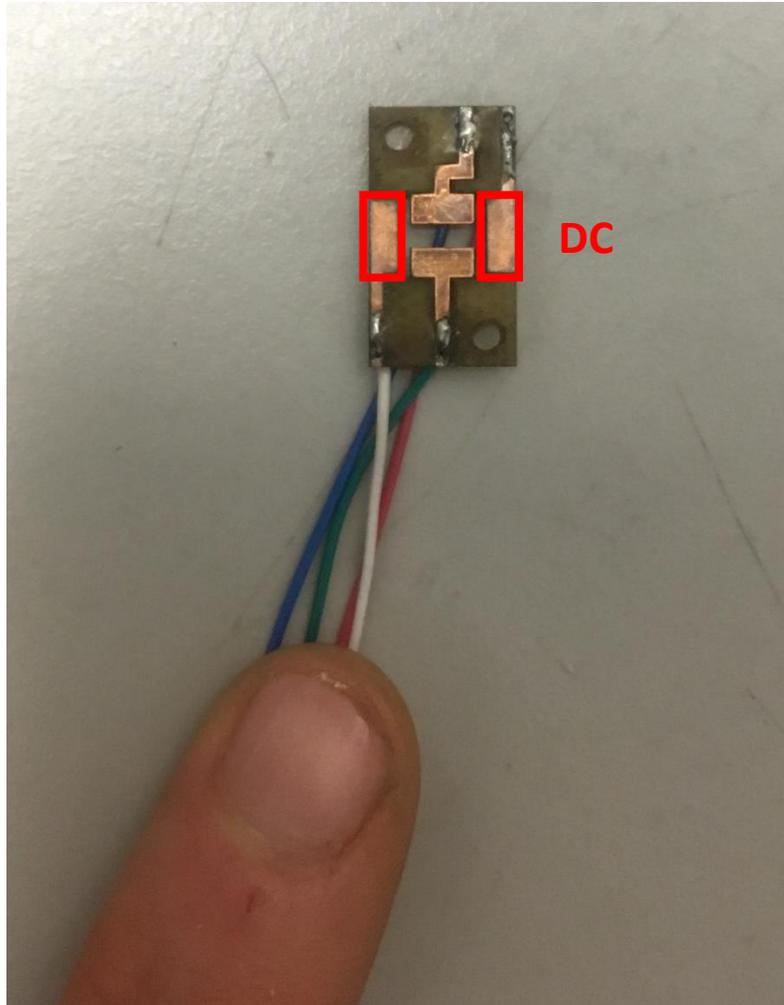
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$$U_0 = 1V - 30V$$

$$\omega_d = 2kHz - 8kHz$$



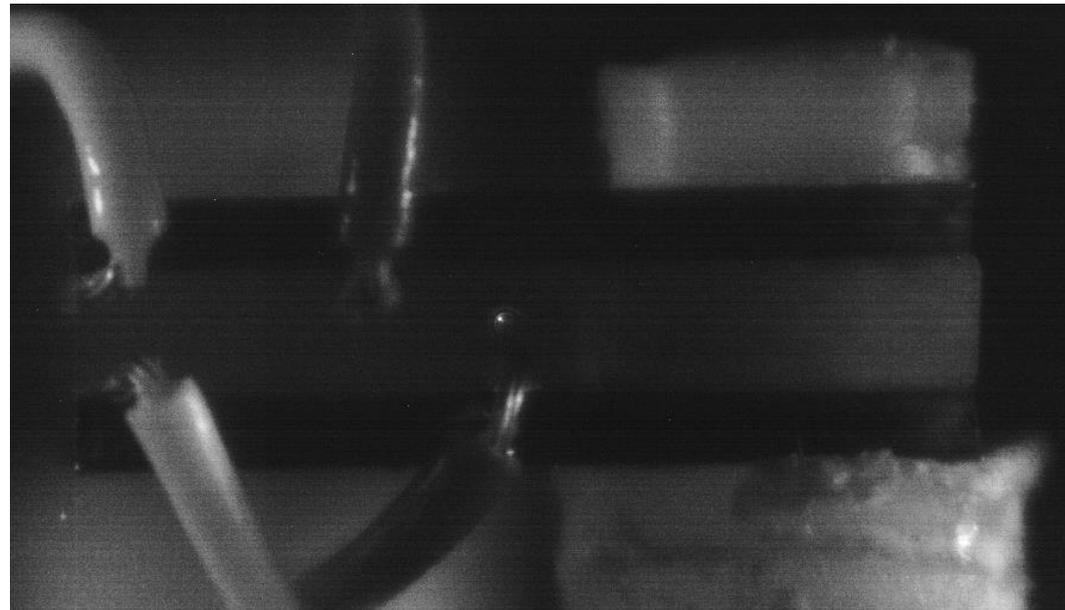
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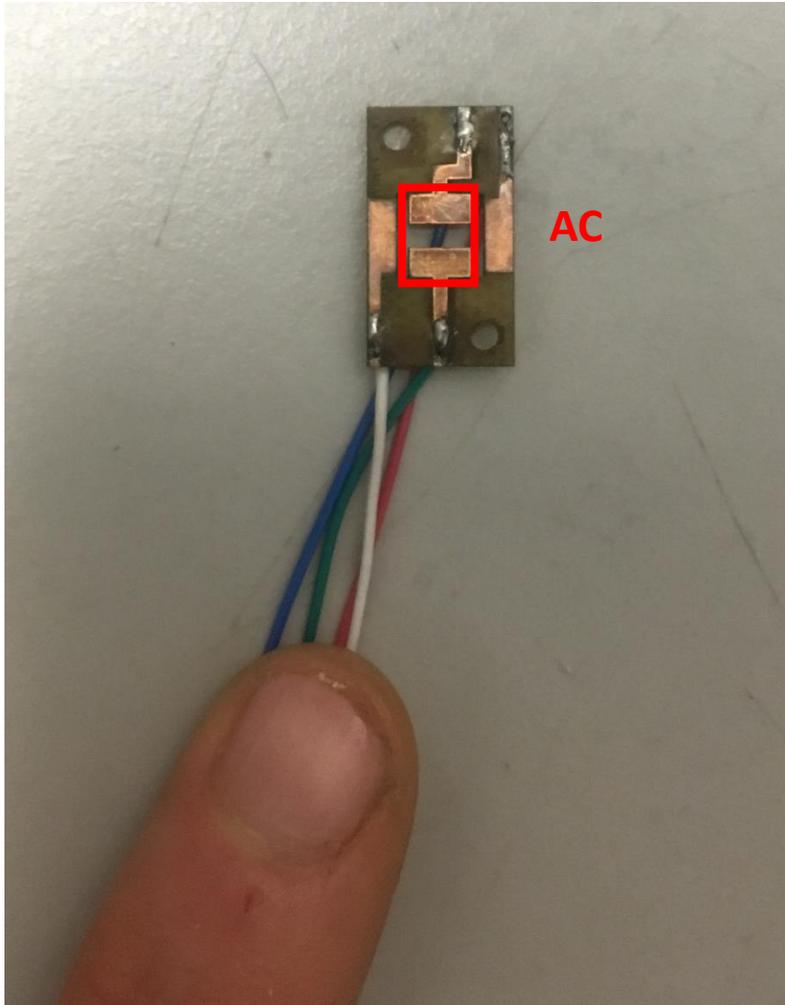
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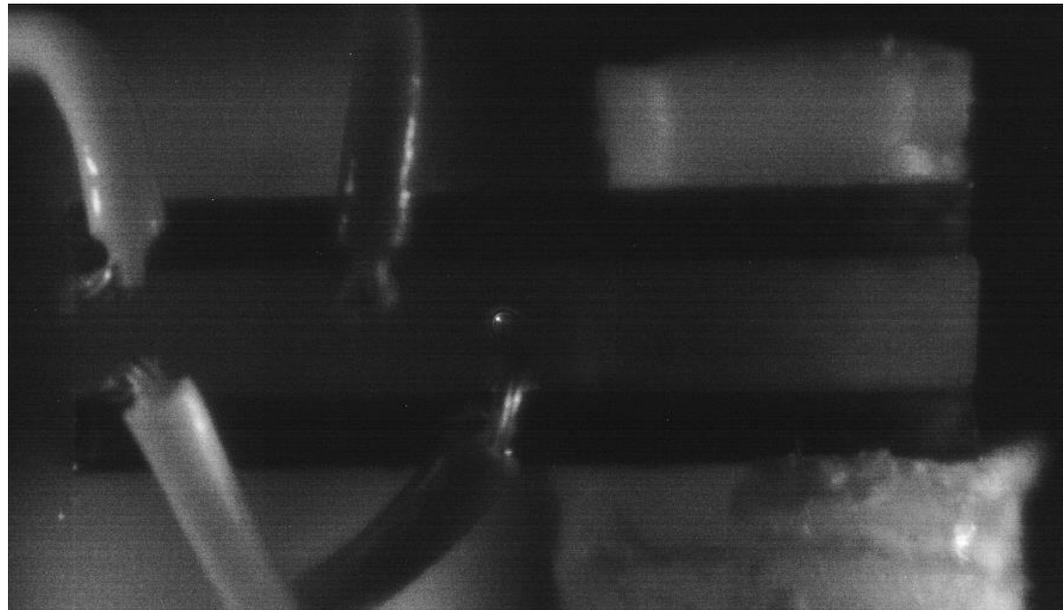
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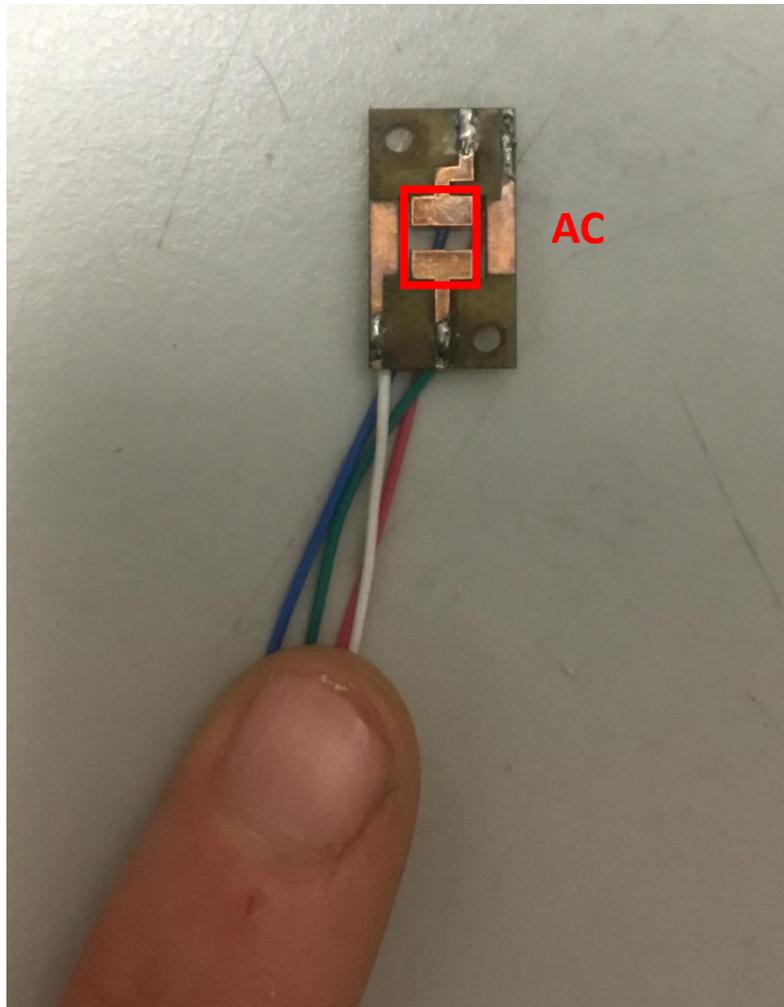
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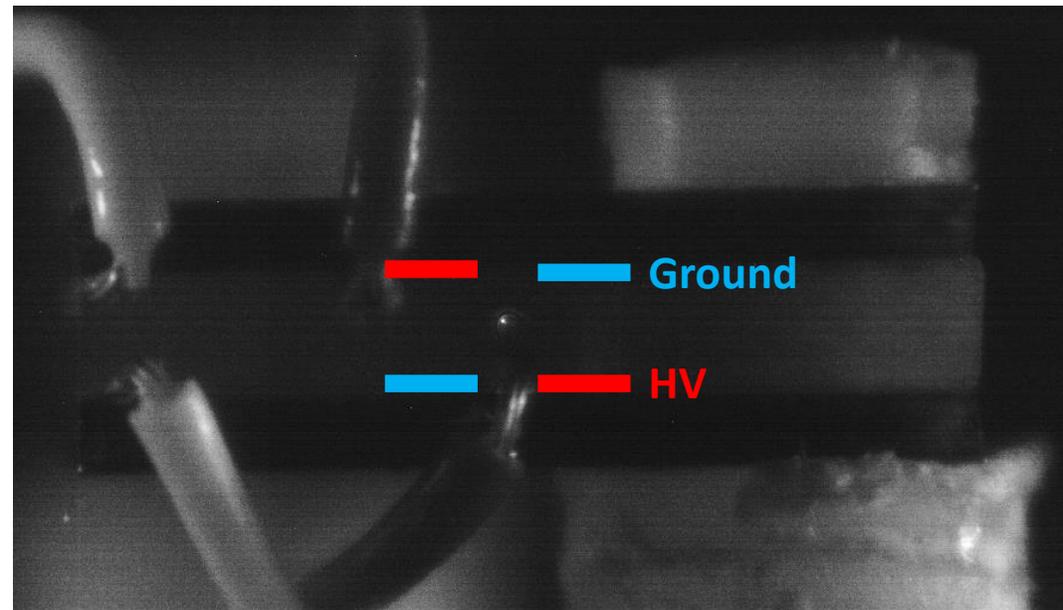
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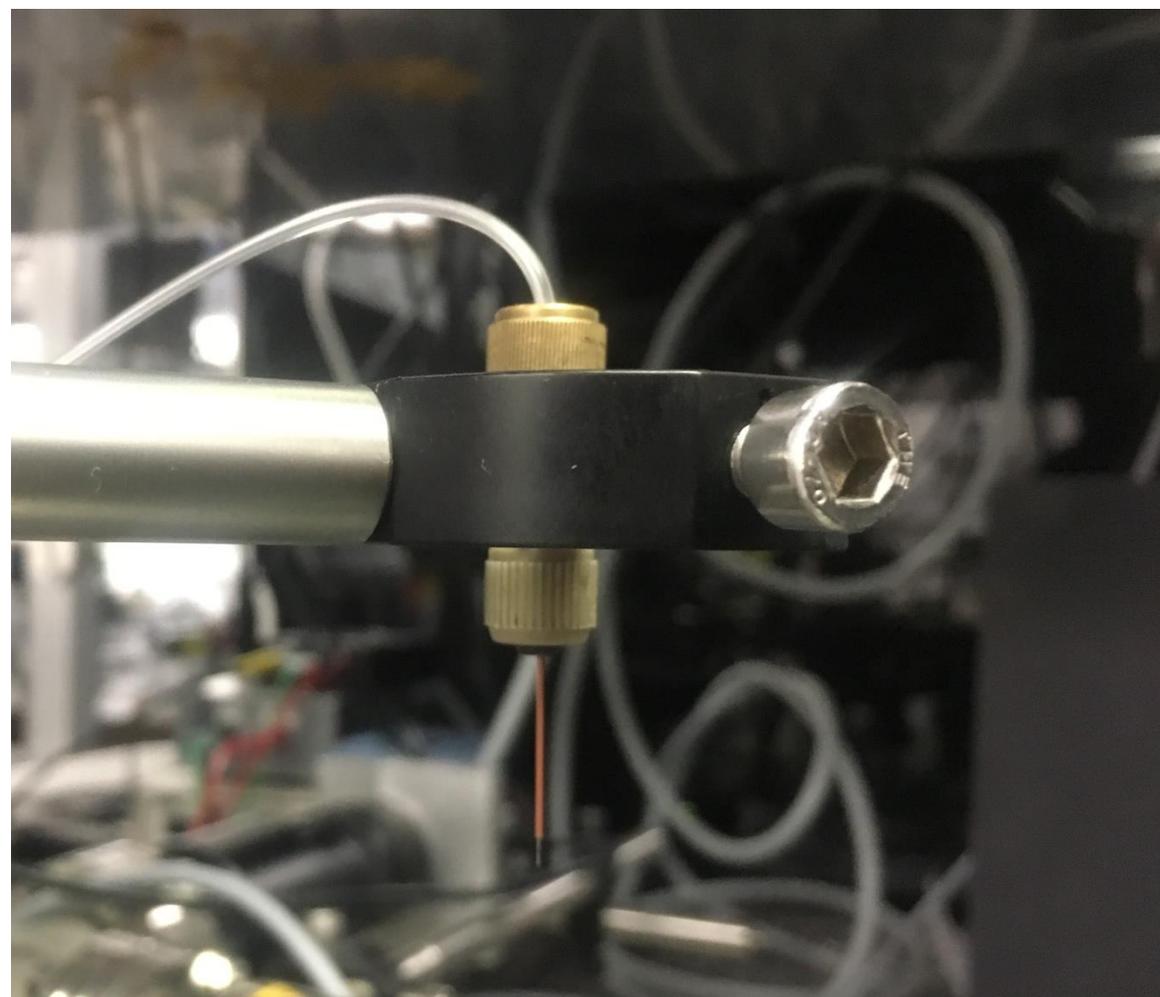
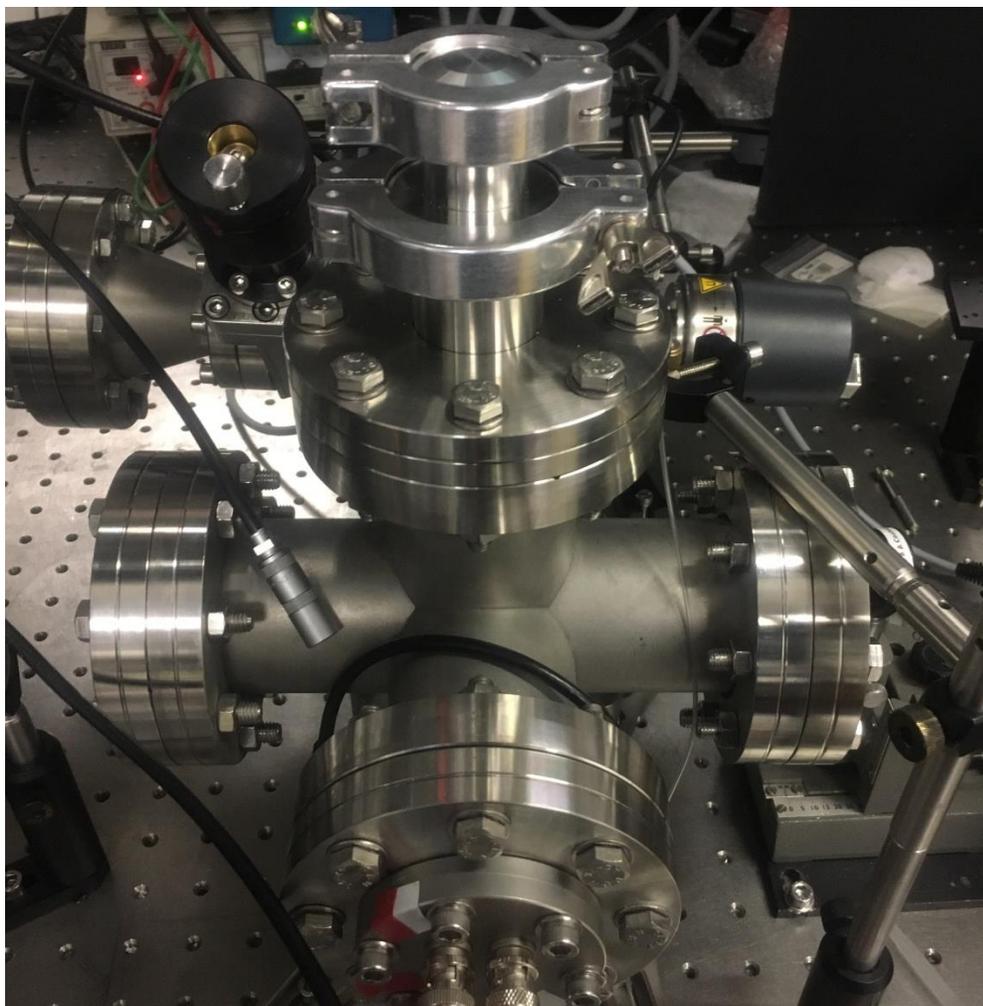
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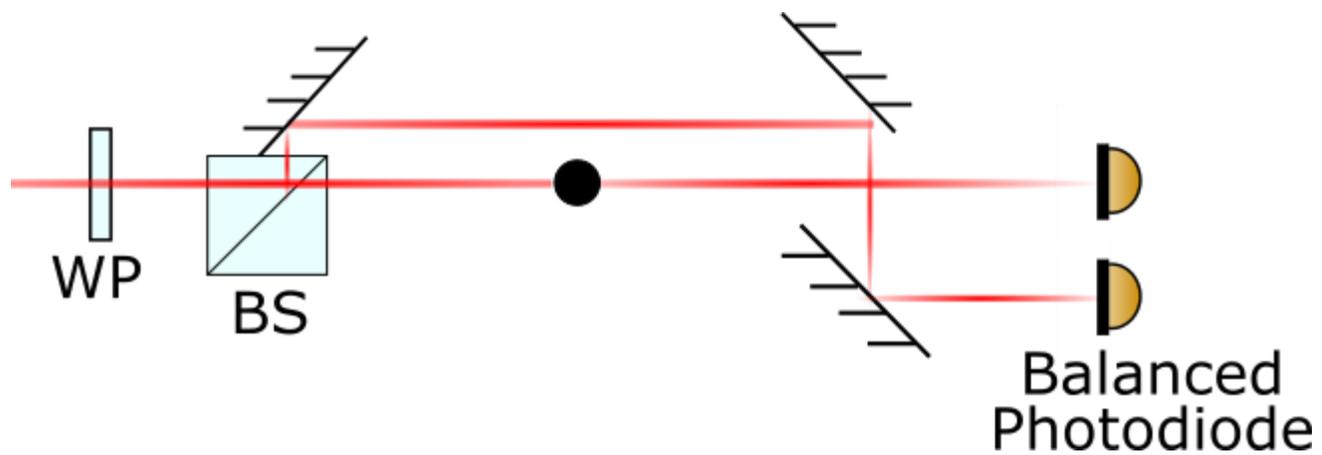
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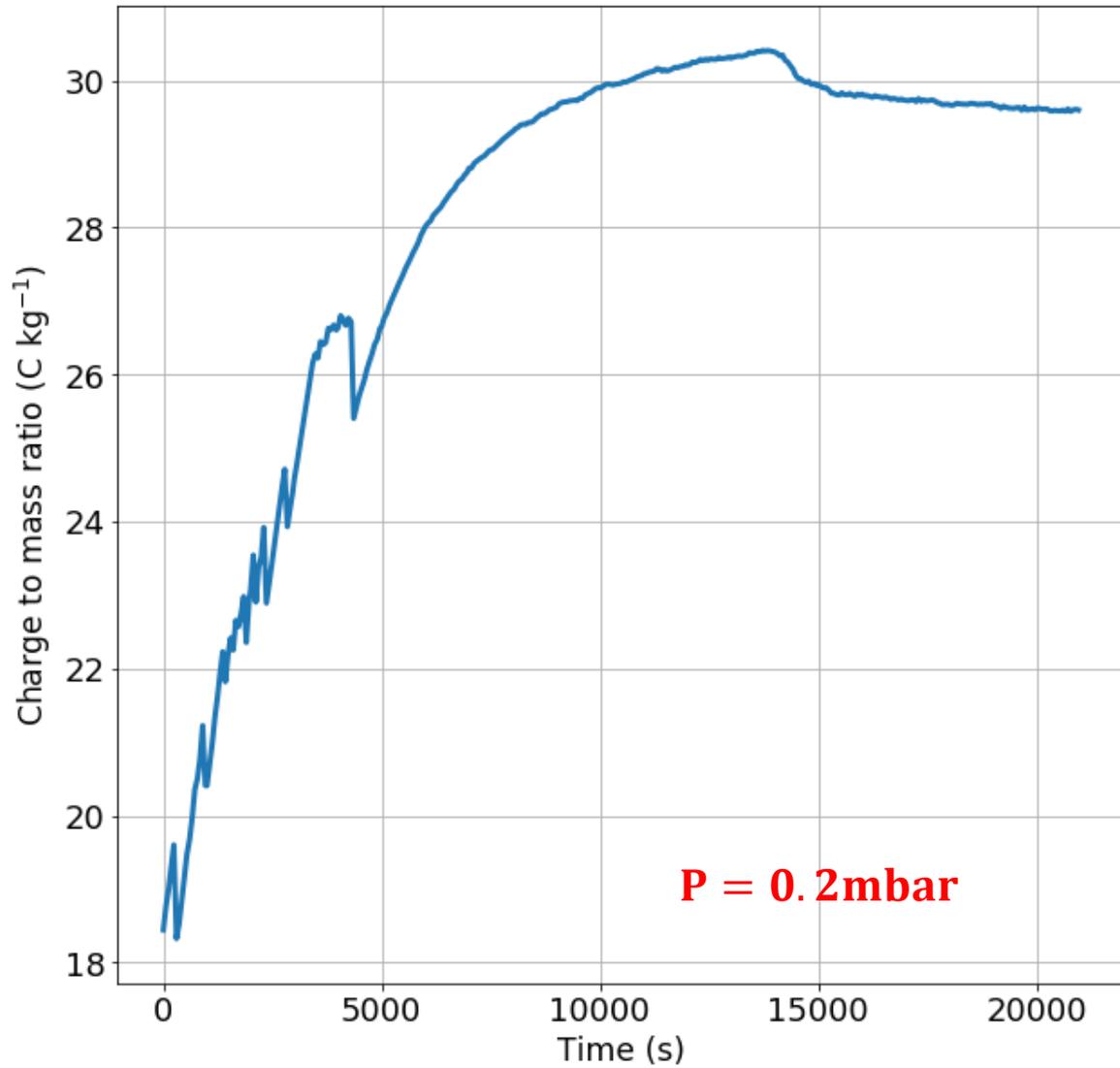


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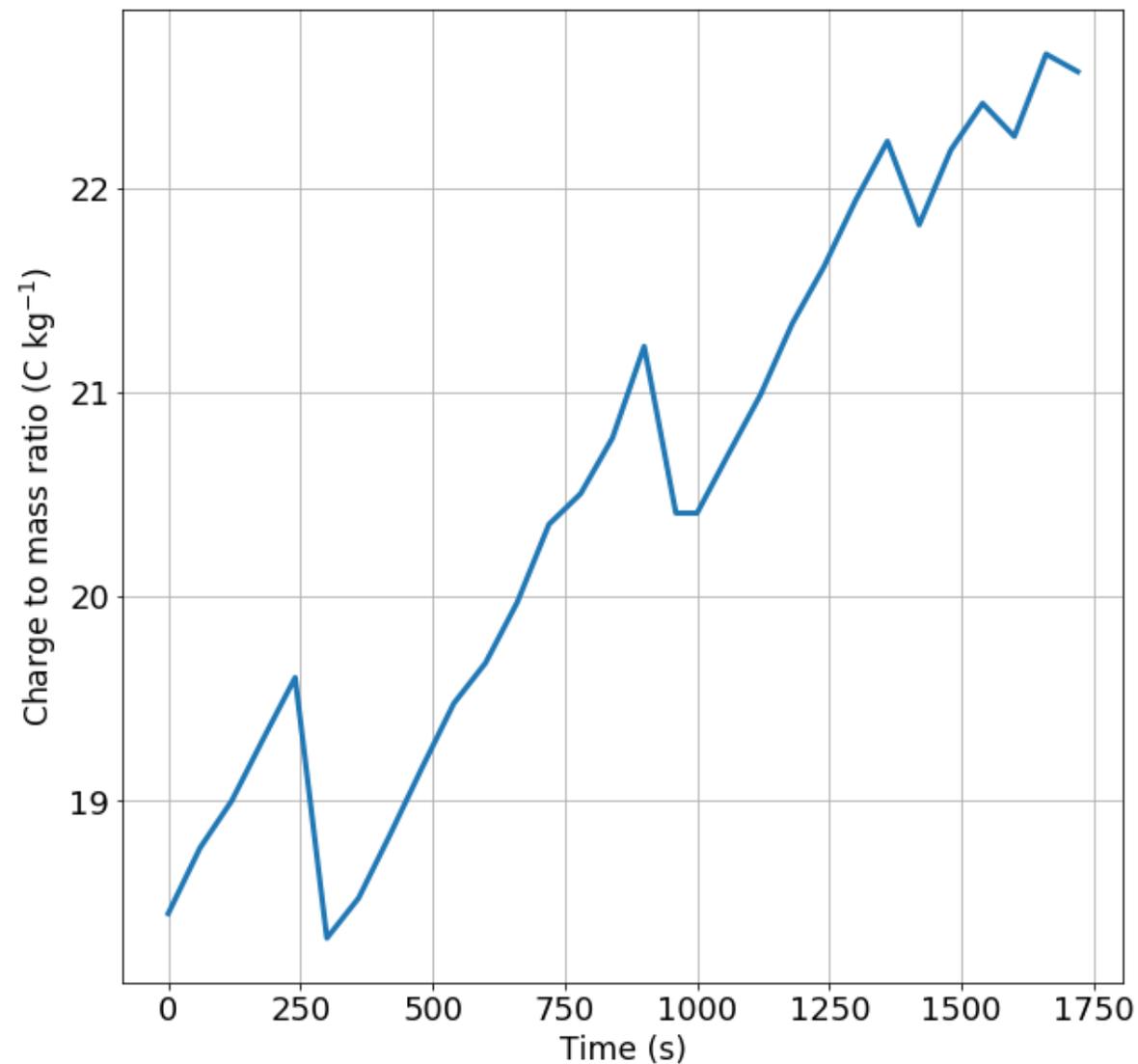
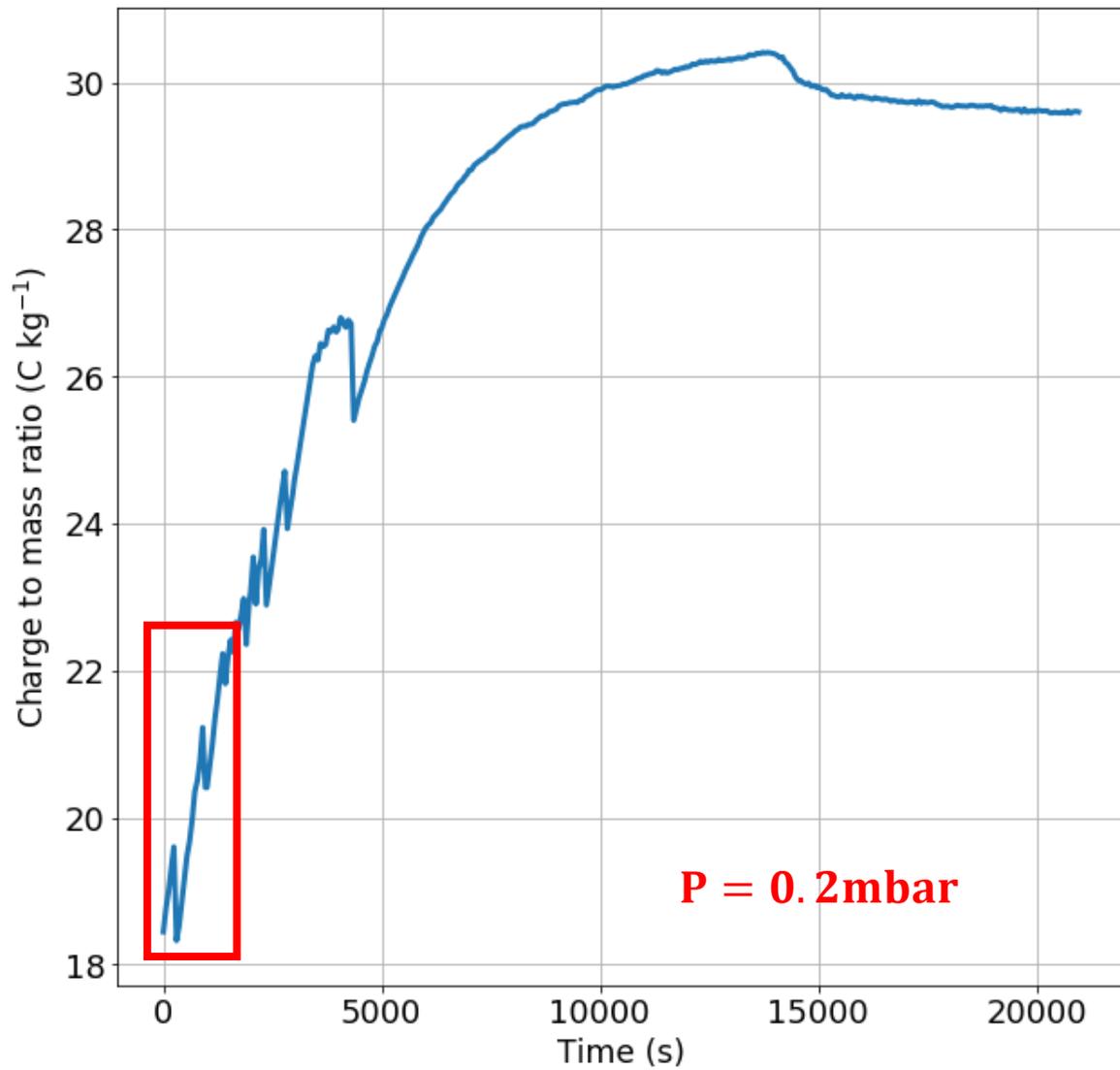


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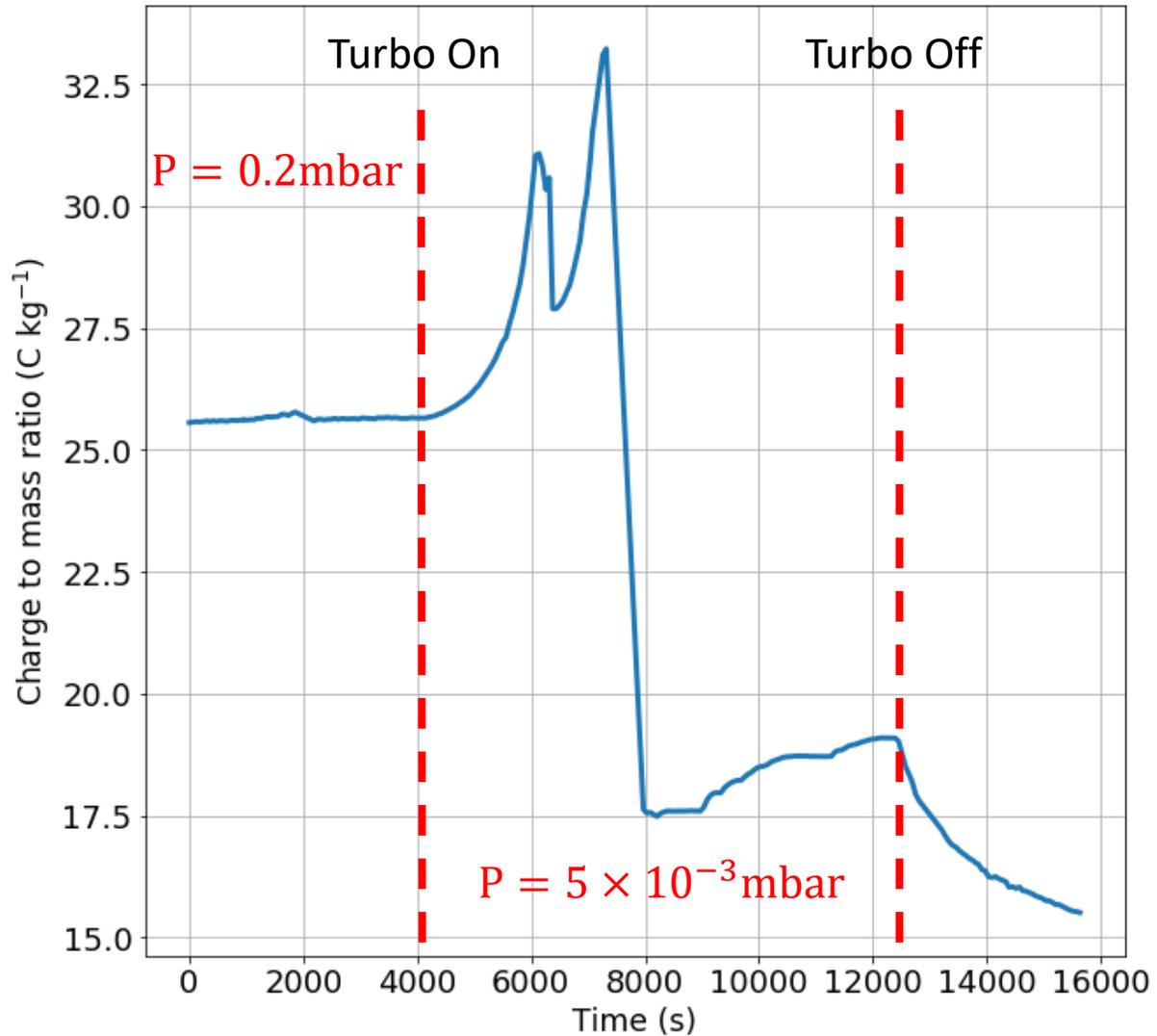
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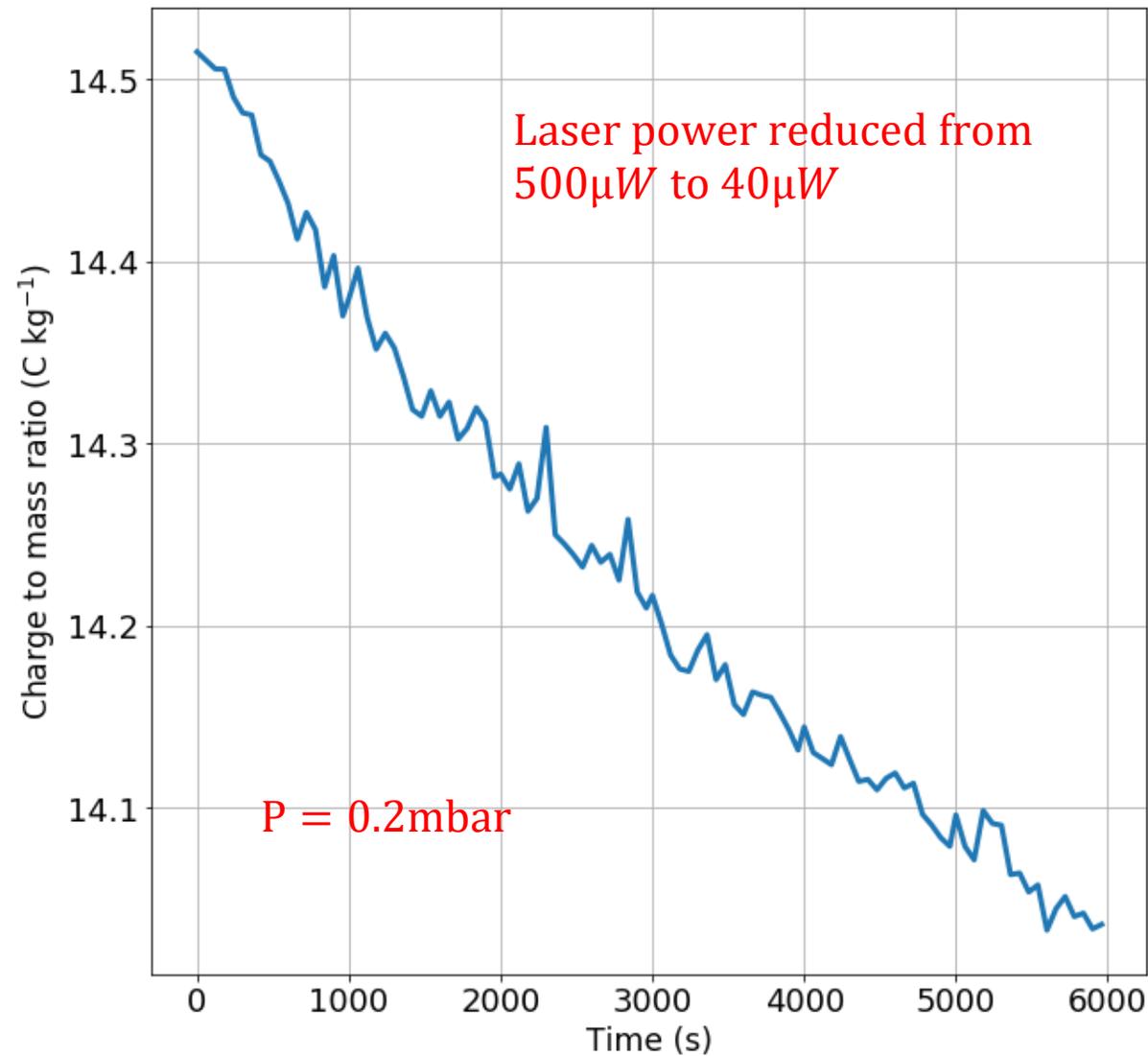
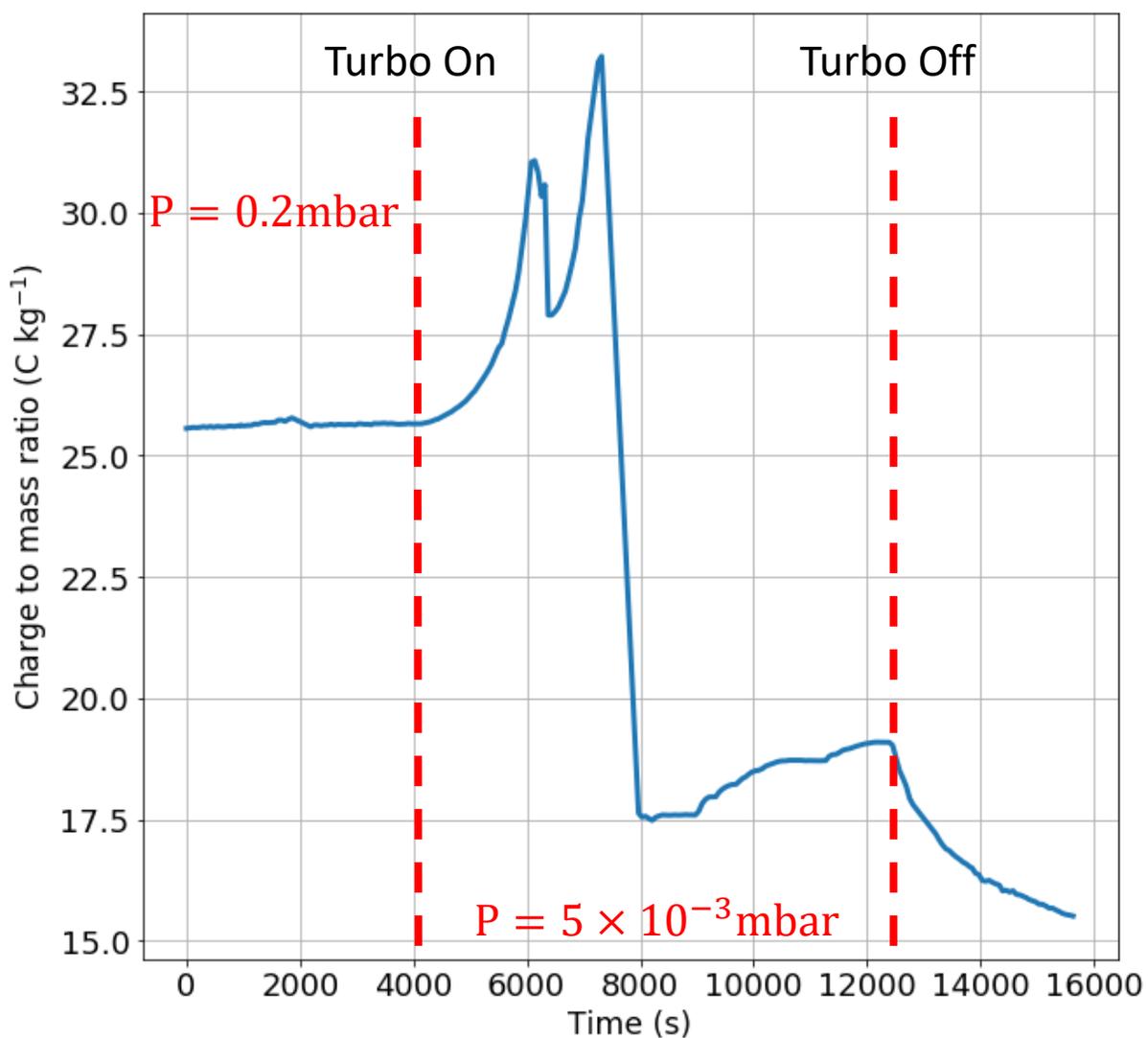
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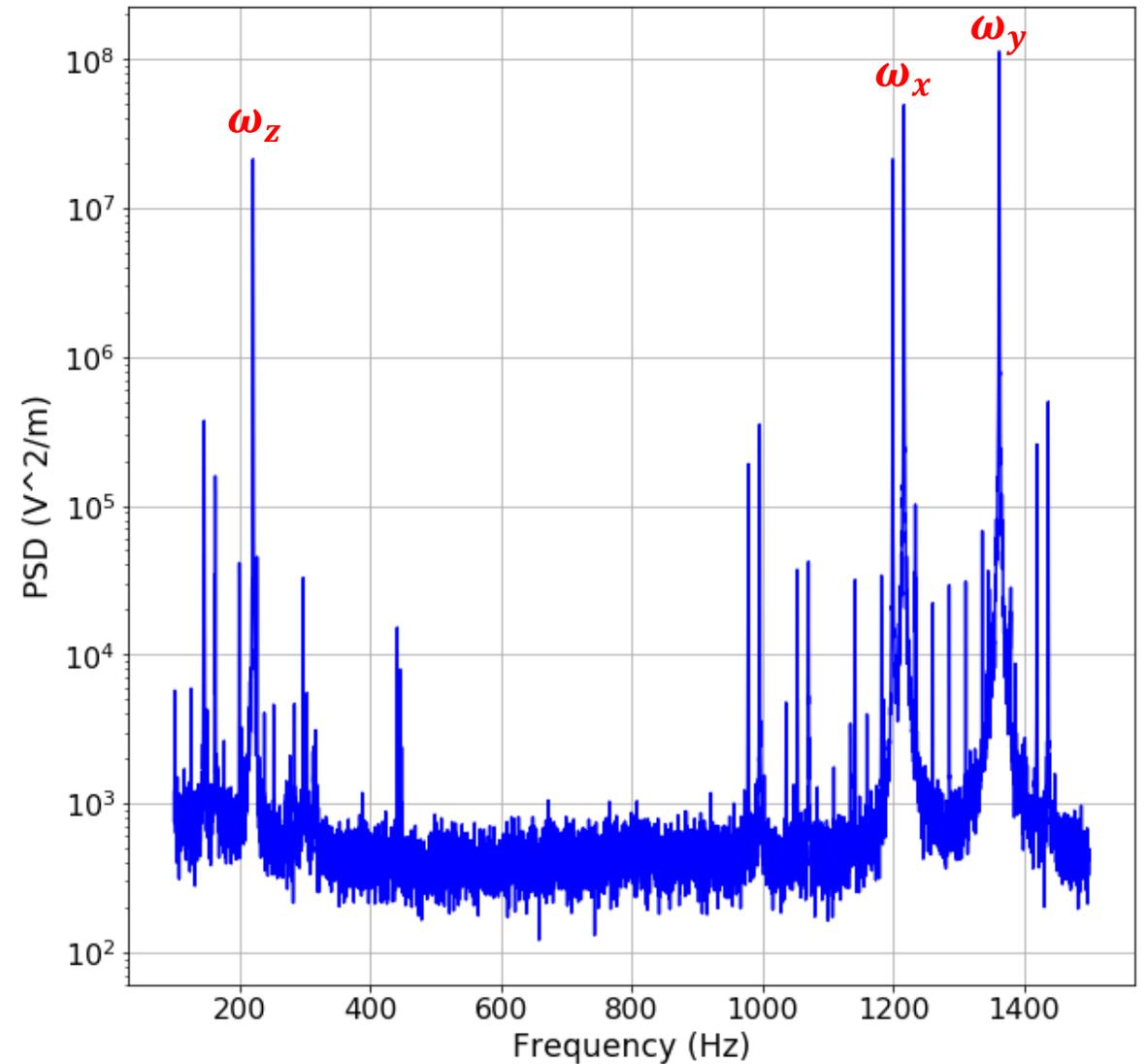
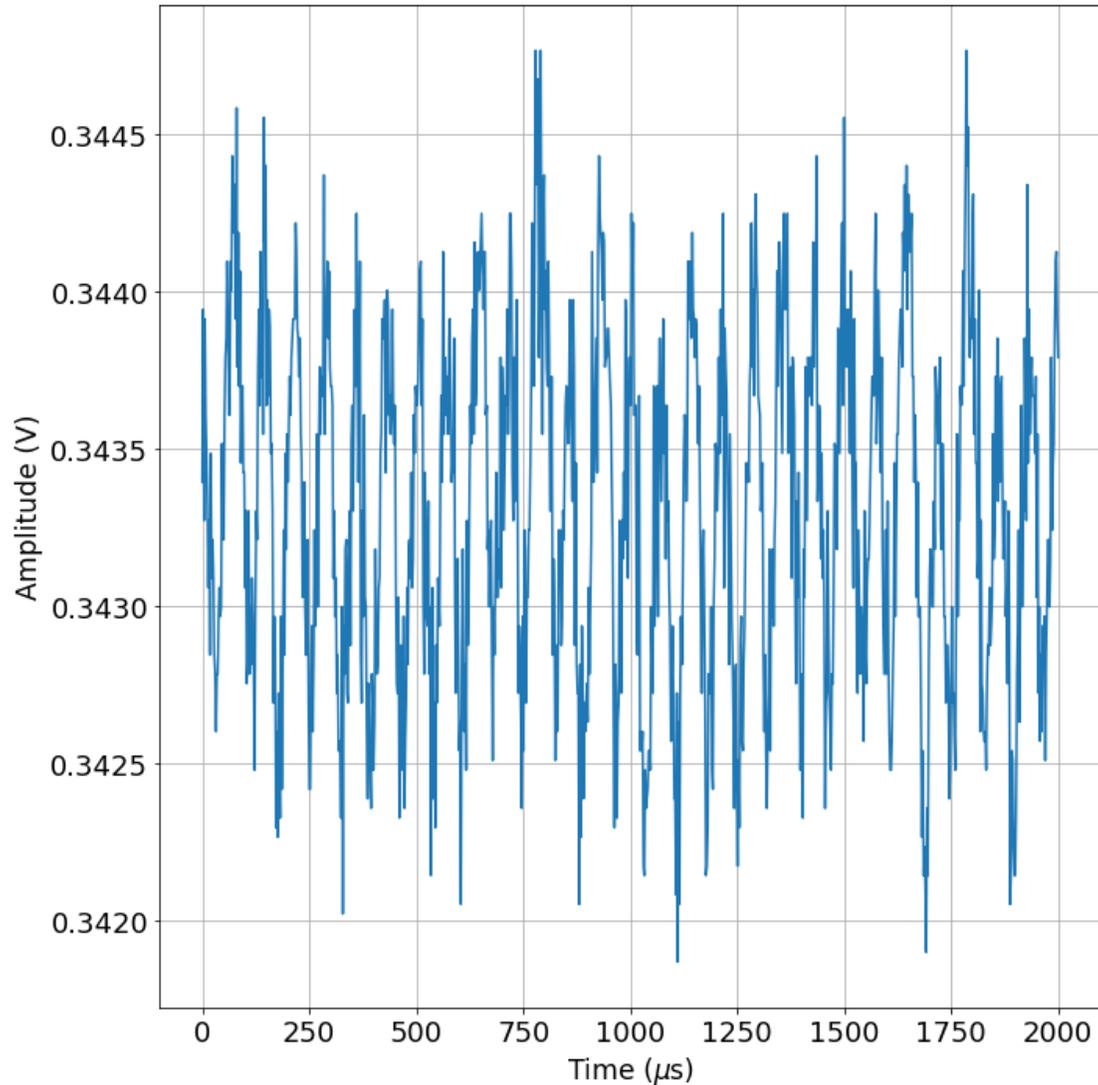


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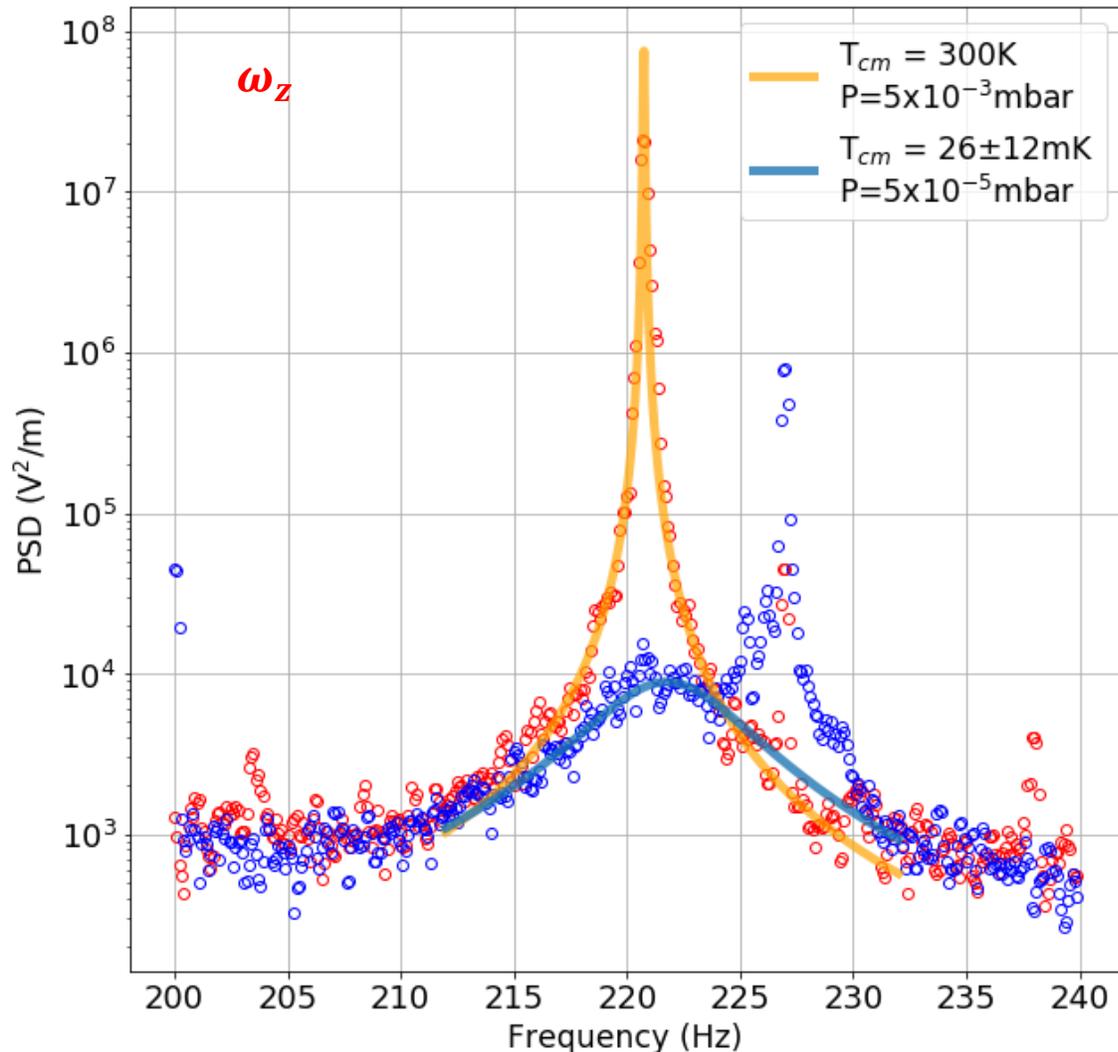


Parametric Feedback Cooling

Find the Secular Frequency



Cooling to 26mK



$S_x(x)$

$$= \frac{\Gamma_0 k_B T / (\pi m)}{([\Omega_0^2 + \delta\Omega^2]^2 + \Omega^2 [\Gamma_0 + \delta\Gamma]^2)}$$
$$T_{cm} = T_0 \frac{\Gamma_0}{\Gamma_0 + \delta\Gamma}$$

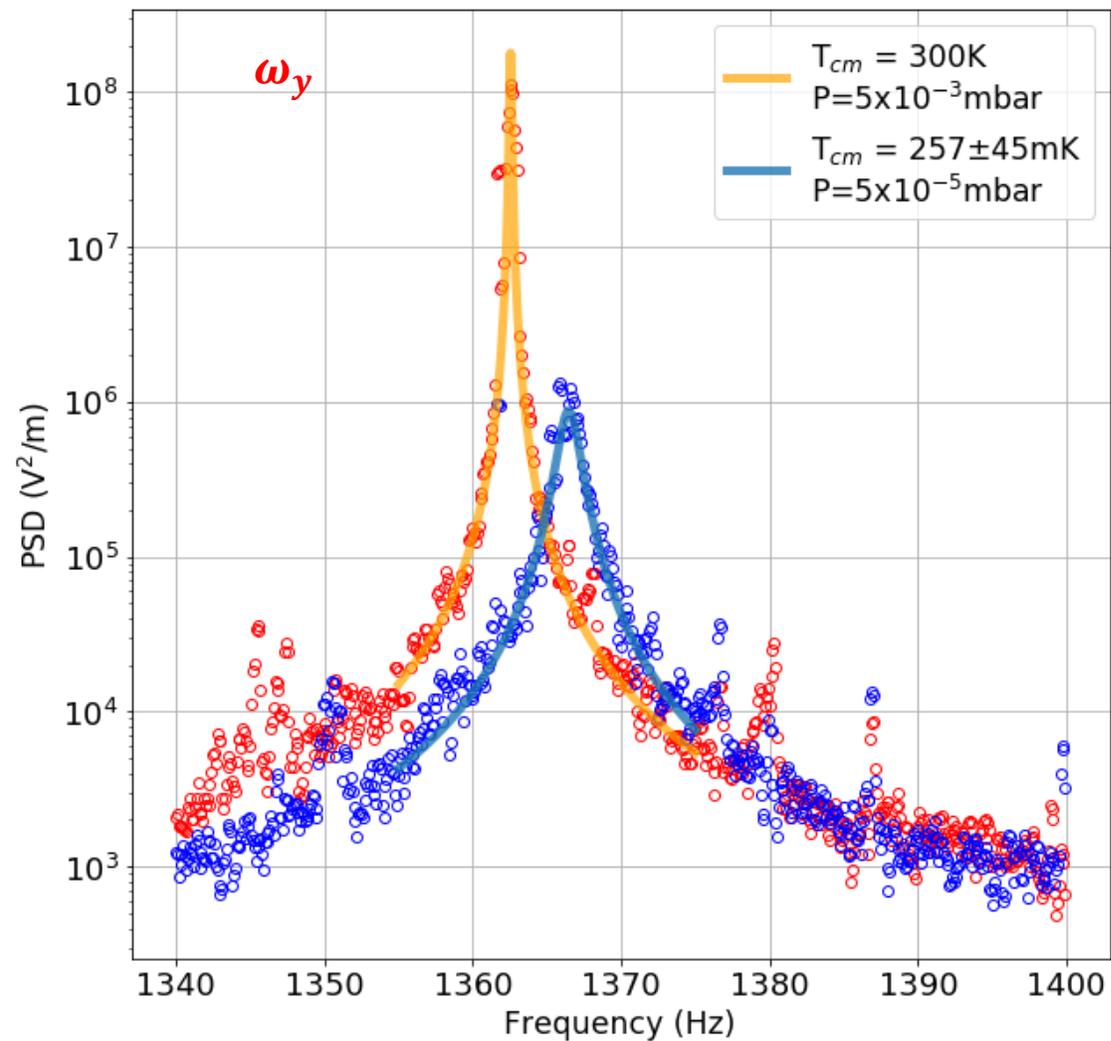
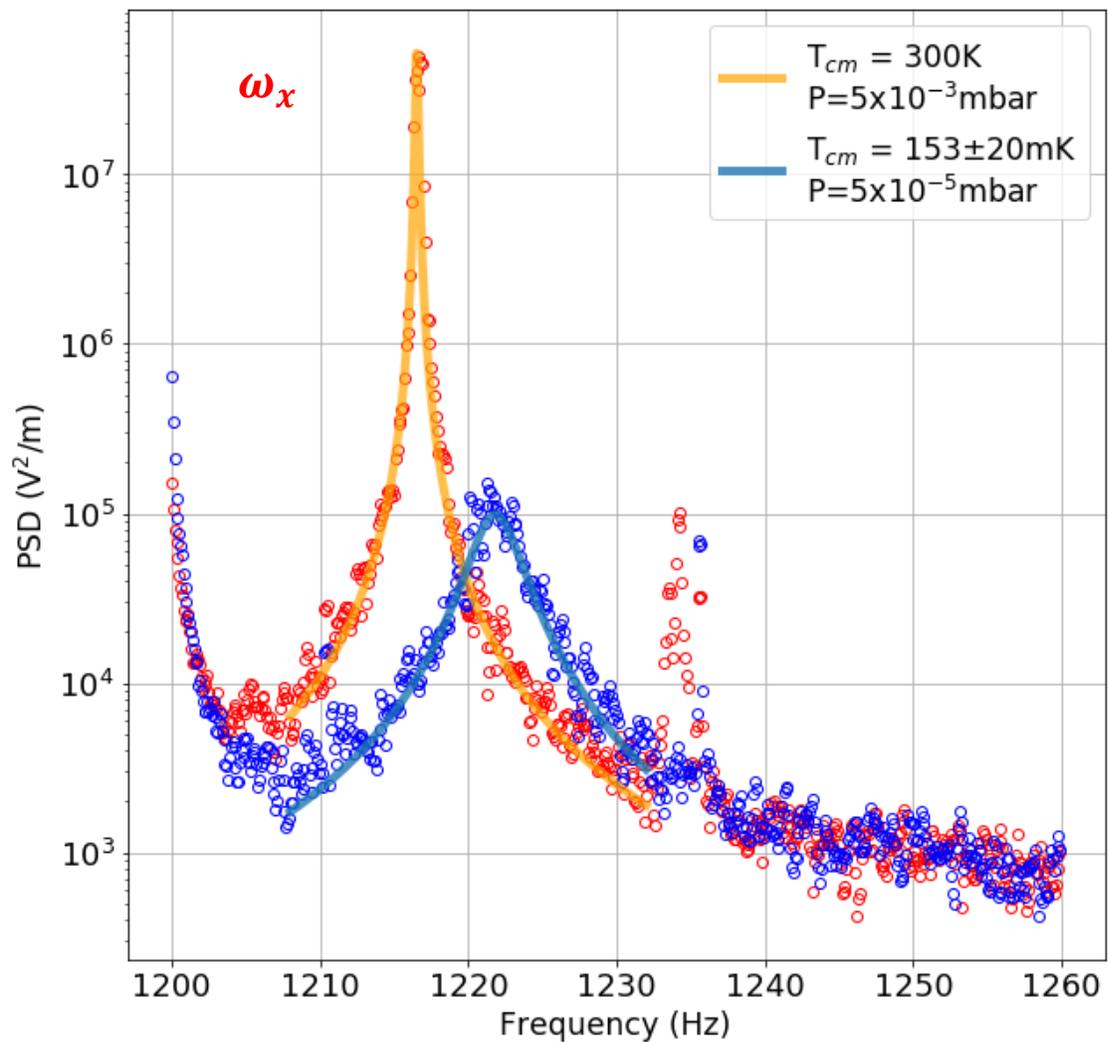
Γ_0 Environmental Damping

$\delta\Gamma$ Additional Feedback Damping

Ω_0 Natural Frequency

$\delta\Omega$ Frequency Shift from Feedback

Cooling to 26mK



Conclusions



- Mass change significant and detrimental to experiment
- Likely due to contaminants from loading

- Cooling two orders of magnitude lower than previously reported in Paul Trap
- Could be improved by lower pressure or better detection

Status of the LNF activities on electronics

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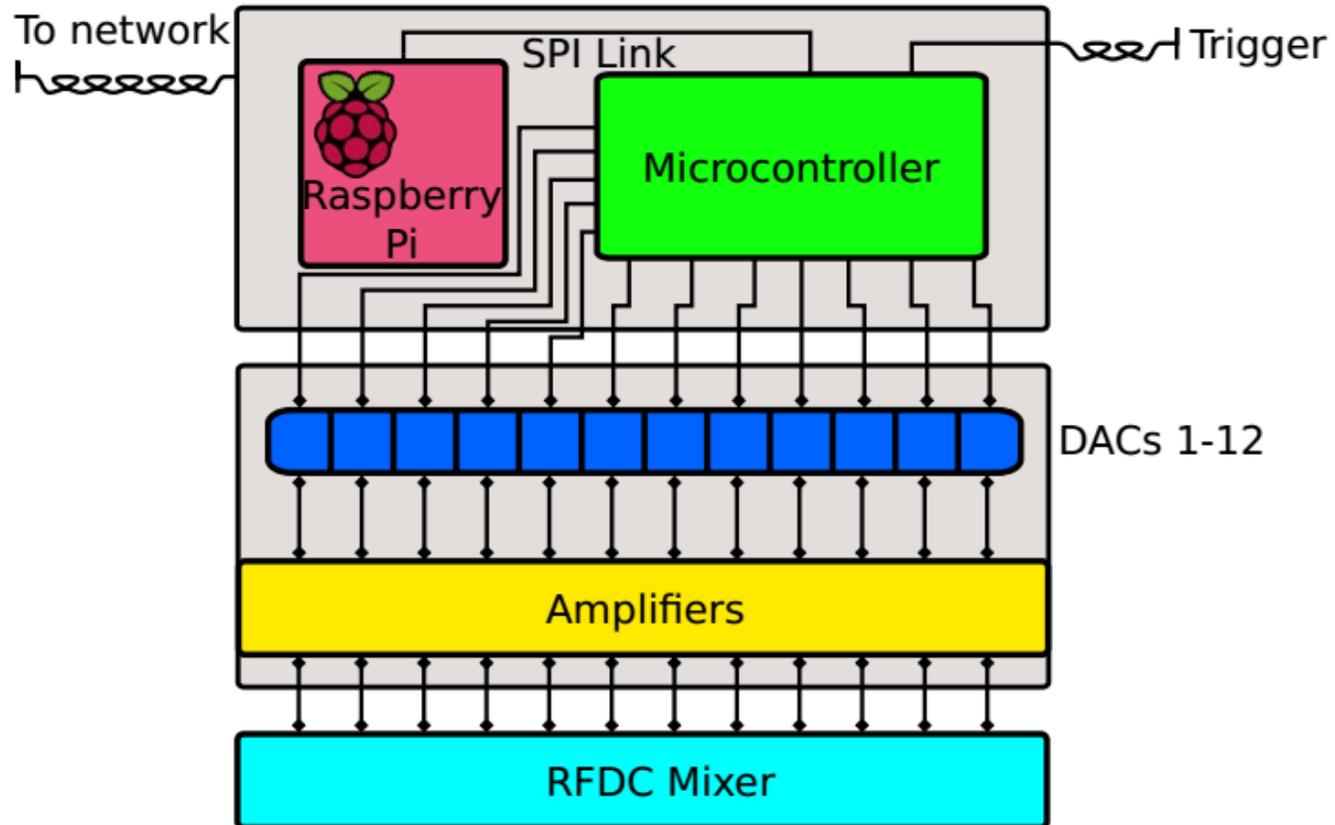
Power Supply Requirements

Due to its ambitious finality, the Particle Trap Power Supply must respond to the following specifics:

- Max amplitude 50V
- Typical Bandwidth 10kHz
- Maximum output Noise 22nV/√Hz

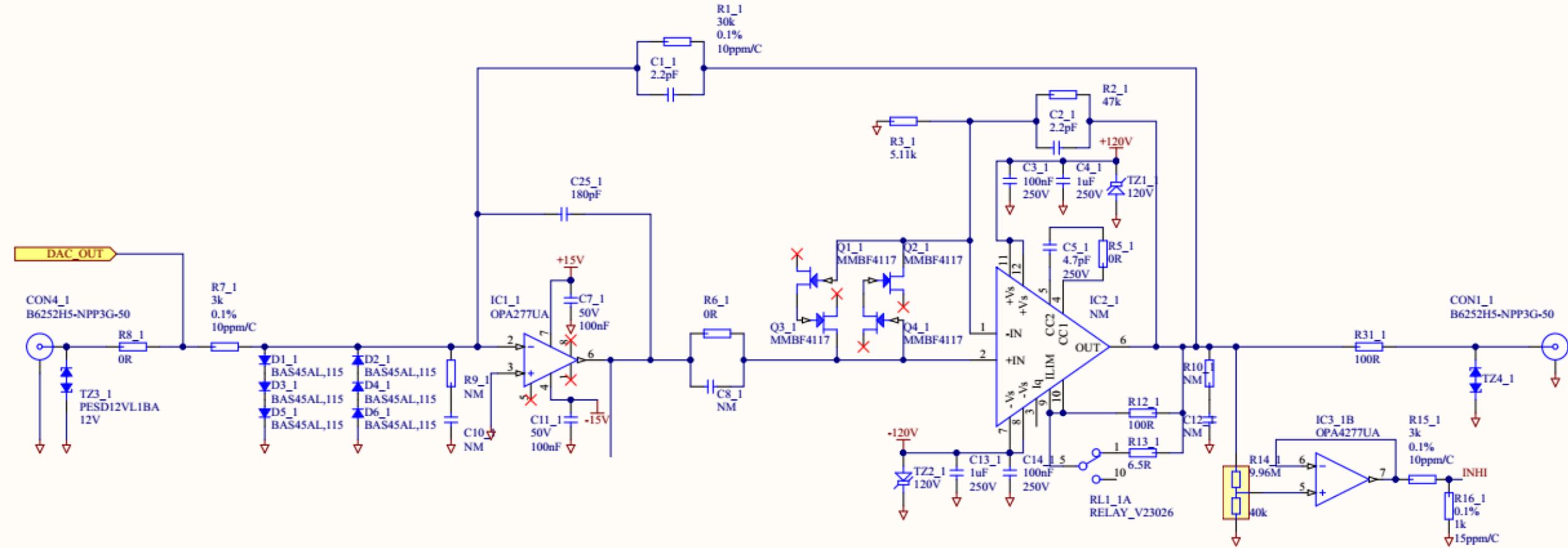
$$\textcircled{V} \quad S_V^{DC}(\omega) \lesssim 5 \cdot 10^{-16} \text{ V}^2 / \text{Hz} \quad @ \omega = 100 - 1000 \text{ Hz} \\ \text{AND } V_{DC} = 50 \text{ V}$$

Current Power Supply Apparatus



- Raspberry π *microcontroller*
- AD5791 DAC
- Custom HV amplifier
- RF DC Mixer

Amplifier Schematic



Power Supply Requirements

Current design has been thoroughly reviewed to check if specifics were respected.

DC GAIN = 10 OK

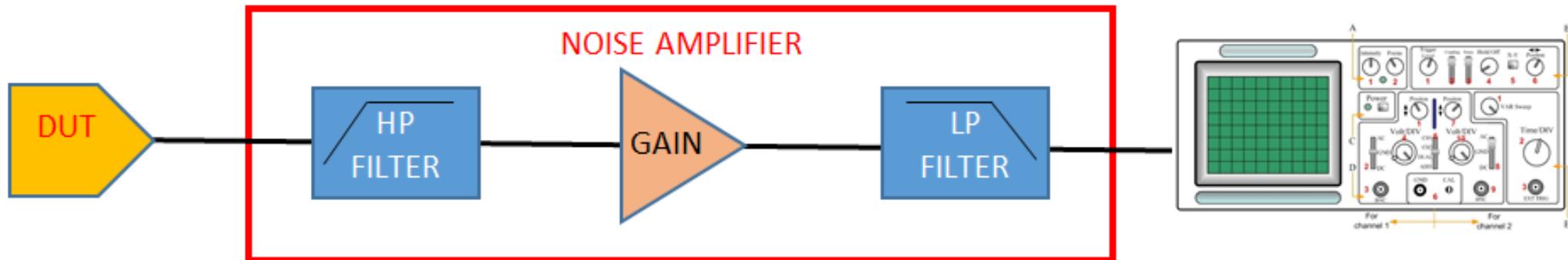
Bandwidth = 300kHz OK

NOISE...

Among all specifics, noise is indeed the most critical.

Amplifier NOISE measurement

Block diagram of a noise amplifier



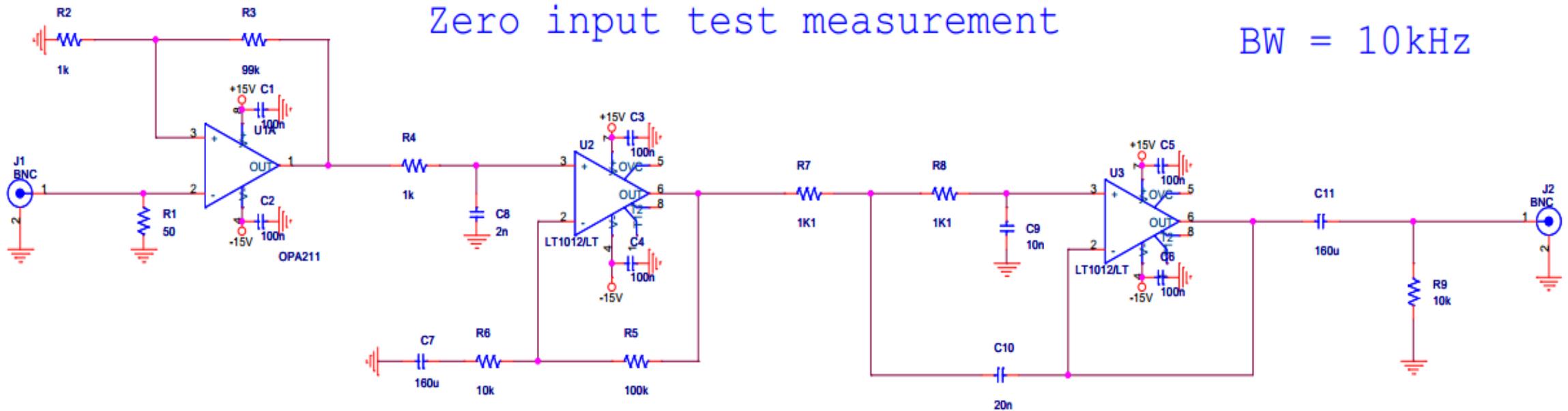
Gain x vBW must be in the order of $10^5 \div 10^6$

Amplifier NOISE measurement

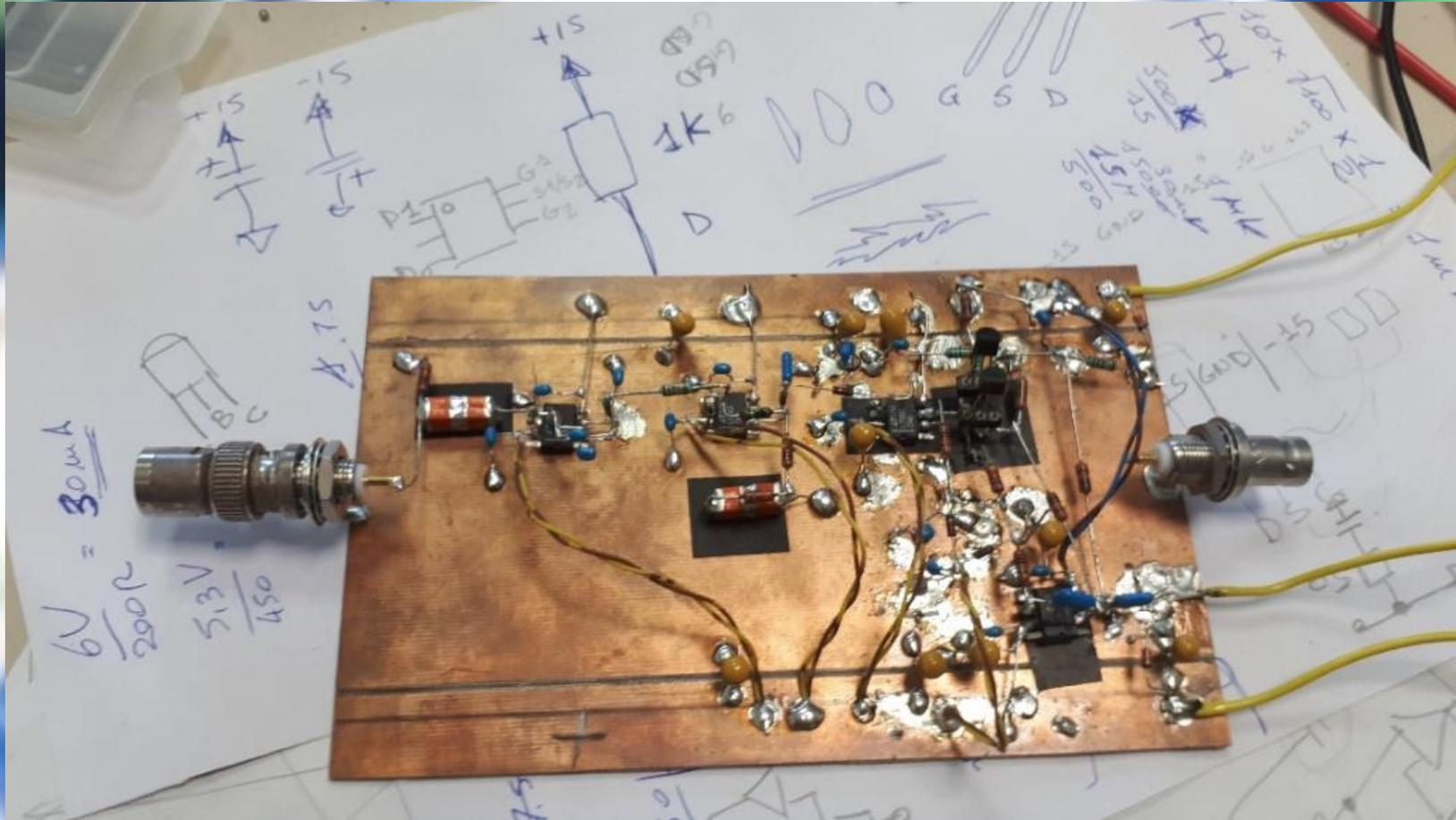
Zero input test measurement

GAIN = 10^3

BW = 10kHz



Amplifier NOISE measurement

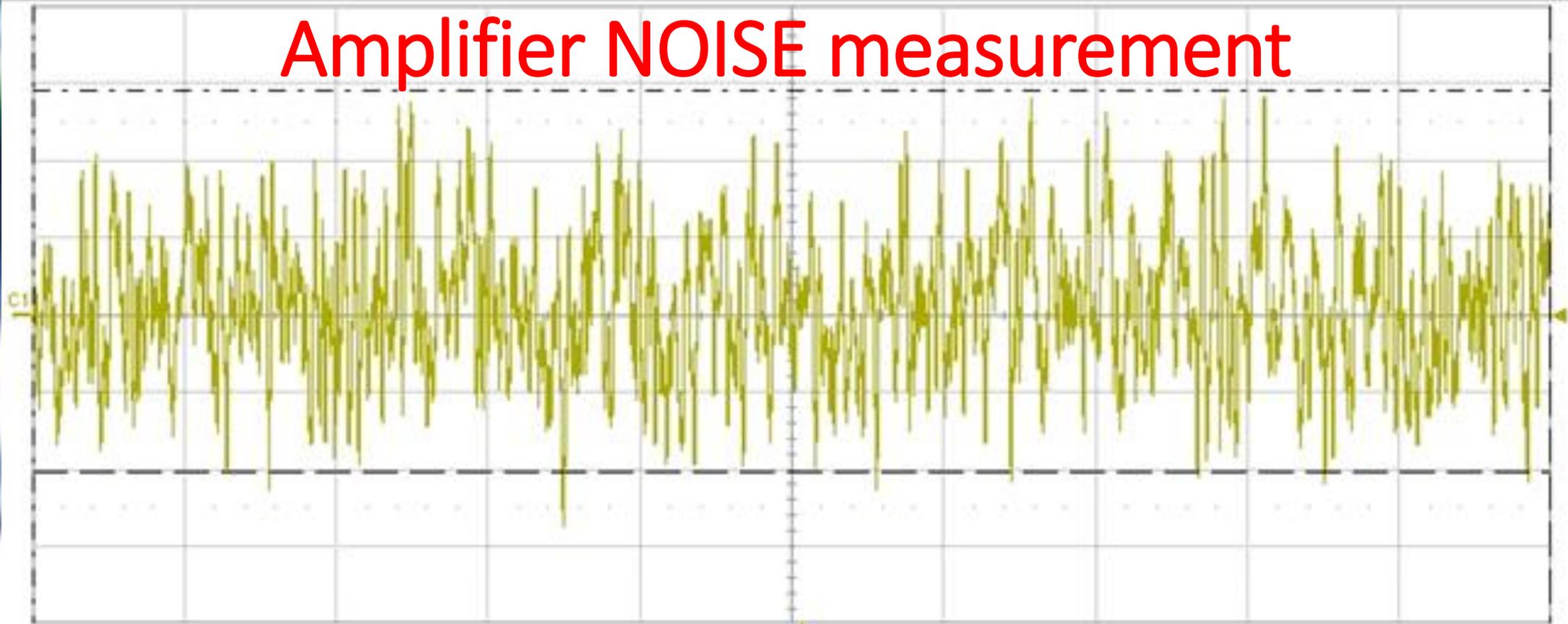


Gain 10^6

BW 10Hz

Special features like
Ultra Low Noise,
OFFSET and DRIFT
compensation...

Amplifier NOISE measurement



Measure	P1:rms(C1)	P2:---	P3:---	P4:---	P5:---	P6:---
value	17.97 mV					
mean	17.8859 mV					
min	16.02 mV					
max	19.78 mV					
sdev	552.0 μ V					
num	5.064e+3					
status	✓					

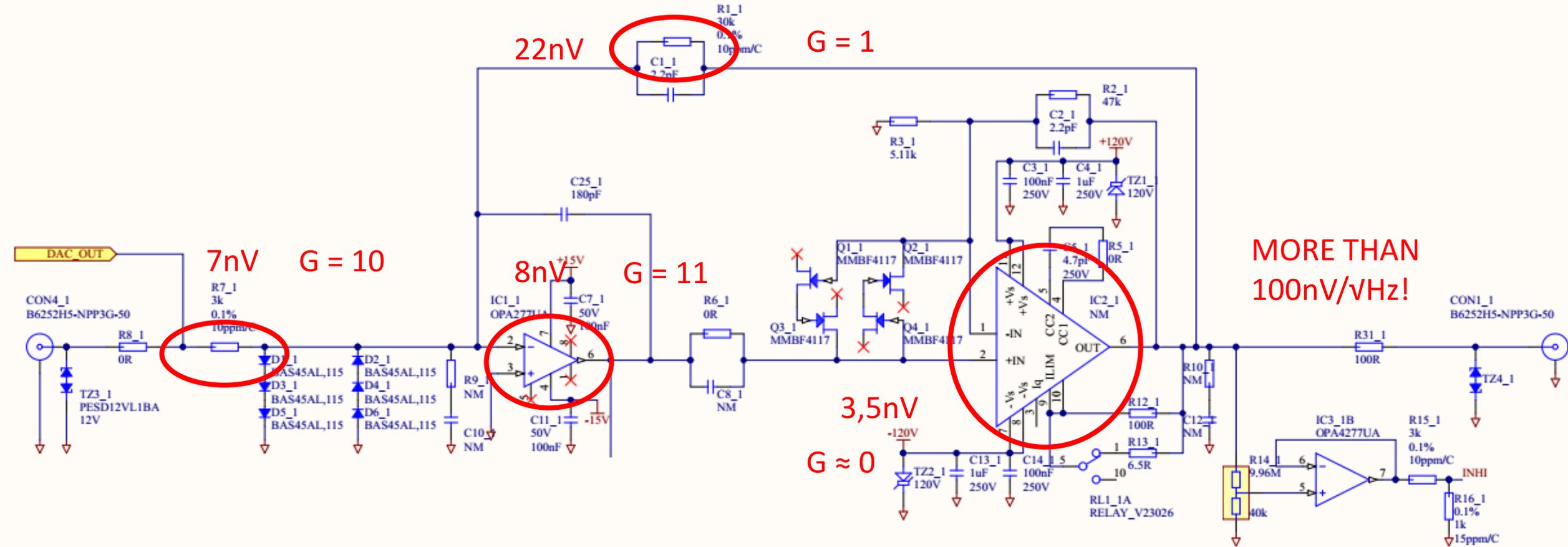
178nv/vHZ

Amplifier NOISE analysis

NOISE analysis include:

- Identify the main noise sources
- Calculate Noise GAIN for each source
- Output Noise Estimation for each source
- Quadratic Sum of all Noise contribution

Amplifier NOISE analysis

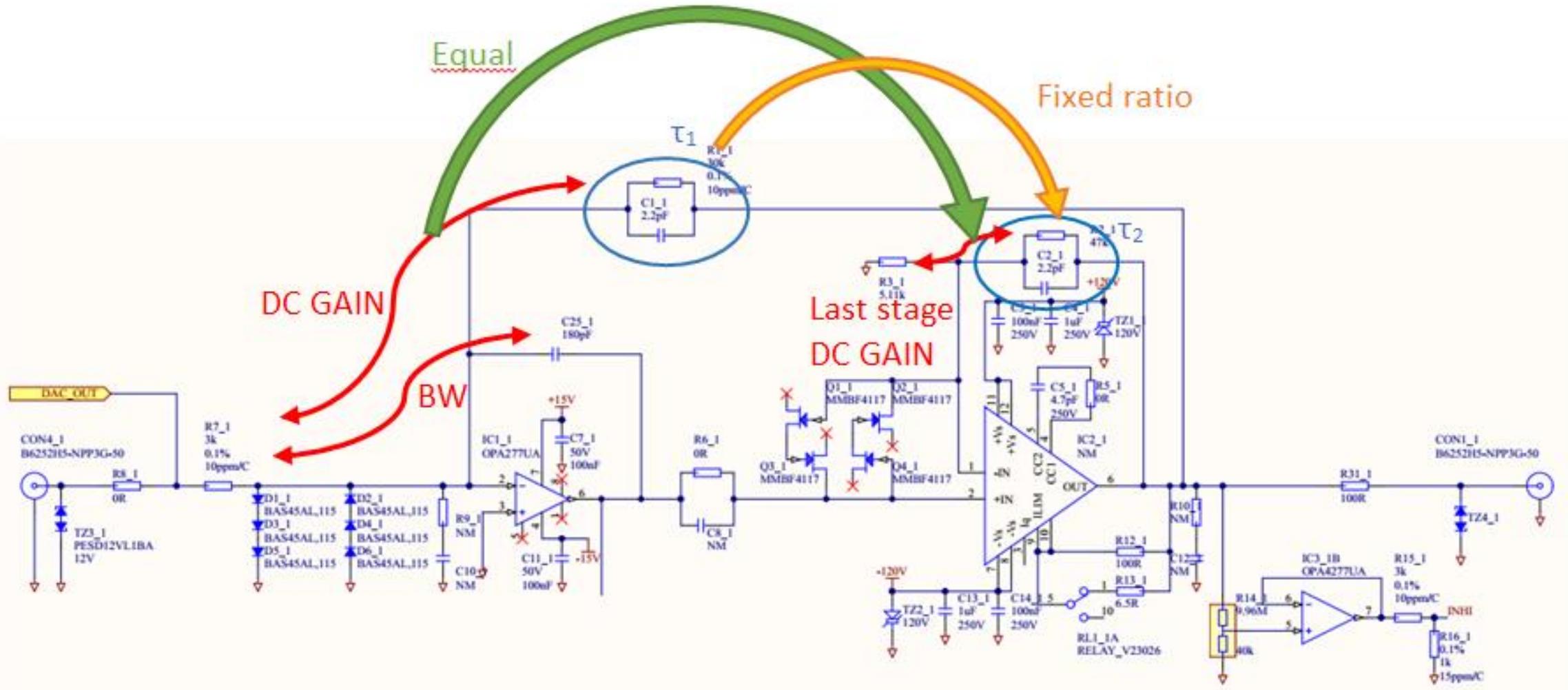


Power Supply Adjustements

Current design can be salvaged with a few expedients:

- Reduce resistor values, maintaining DC Gain
- Increase capacitor values, maintaining time constants
- Replace OPA277 with a low noise amplifier
- AND... **Keep track of all relations to guarantee stability!**

Power Supply Adjustments



Power Supply Adjustments

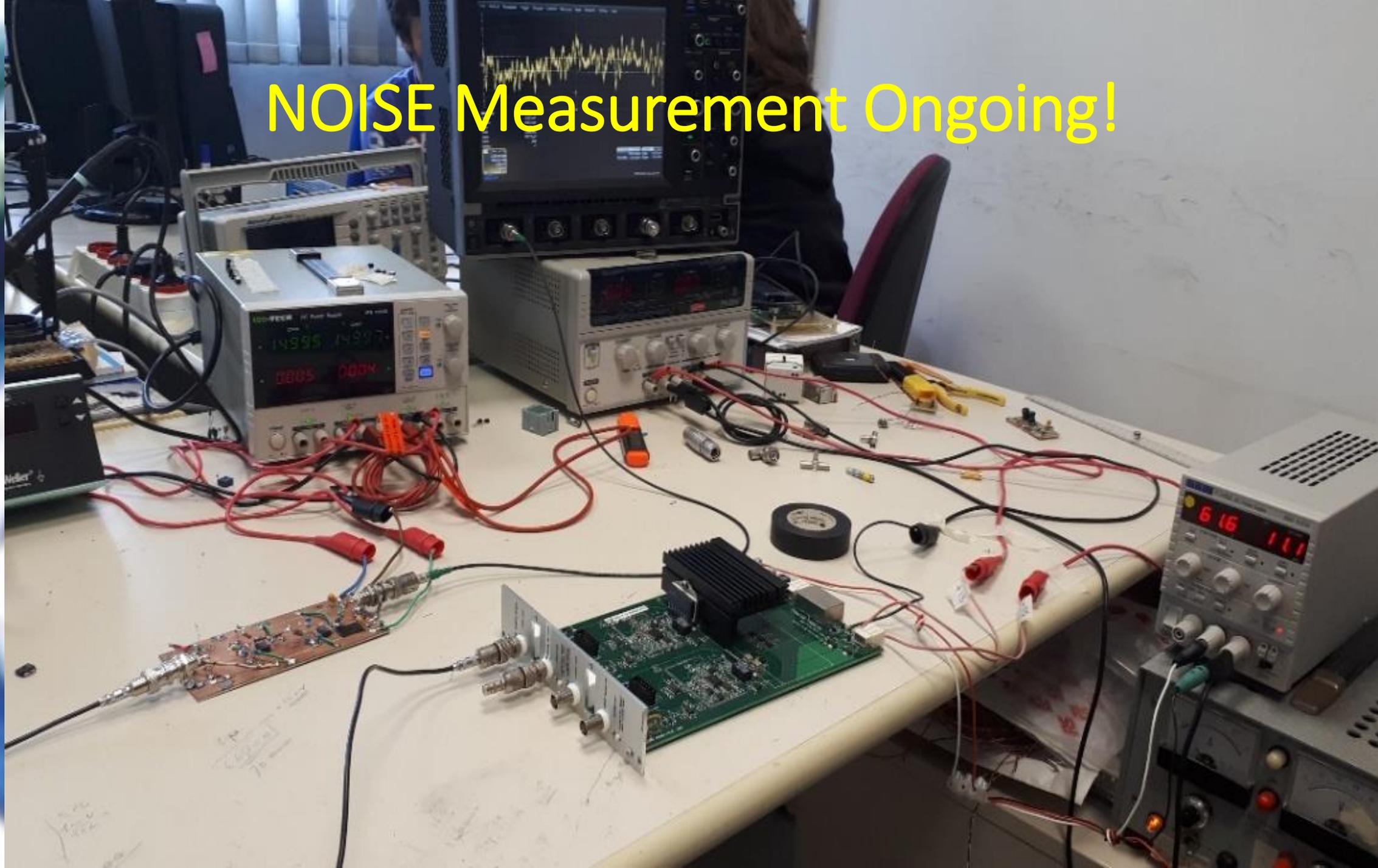
Possible solution is to replace:

- $R_1=2K5$ $R_7=250R$ $C_1=27pF$ $C_{25}=2,2nF$
- OPA277 replaced with OPA211 (same package, 1nV of noise)

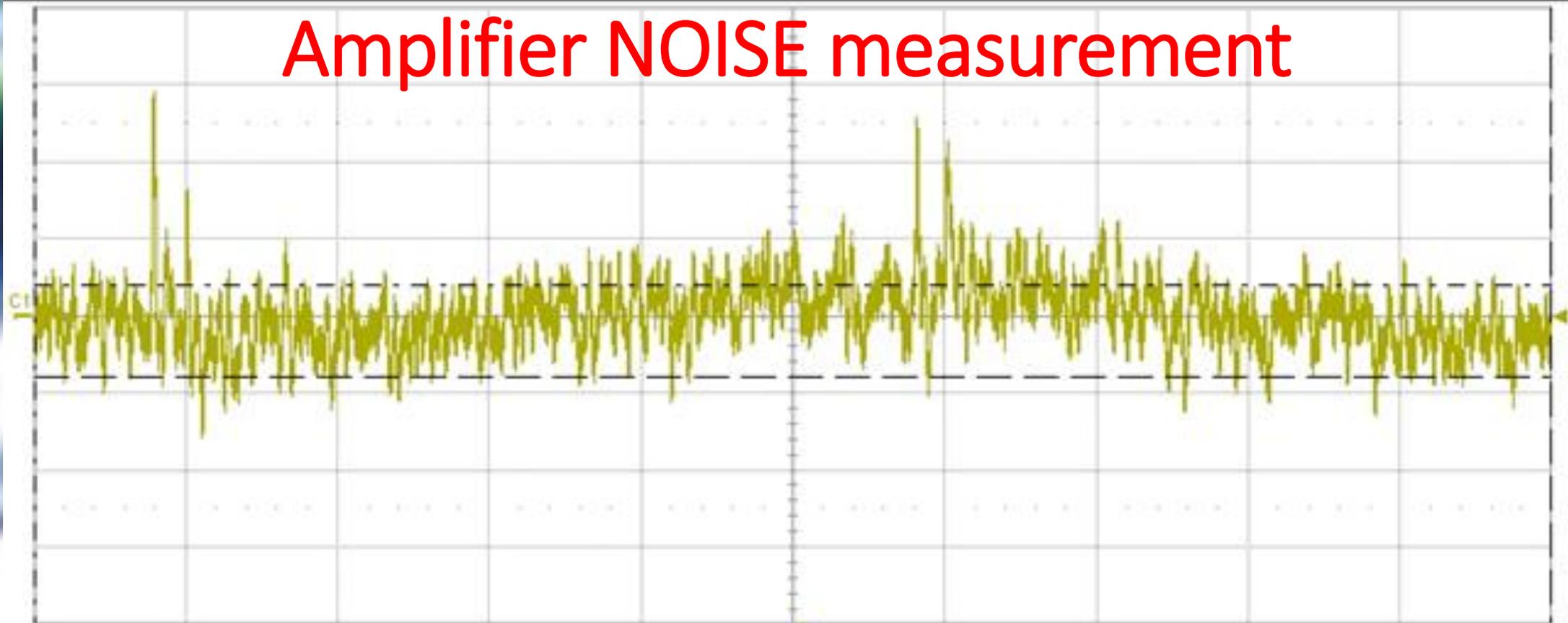
Result is...

20nV/vHz of noise!

NOISE Measurement Ongoing!



Amplifier NOISE measurement



Measure
value
mean
min
max
sdev
num
status

P1:rms(C1)
2.14 mV
2.0545 mV
1.84 mV
2.52 mV
62.7 μ V
11.155e+3
✓

P2:---

P3:---

P4:---

P5:---

P6:---

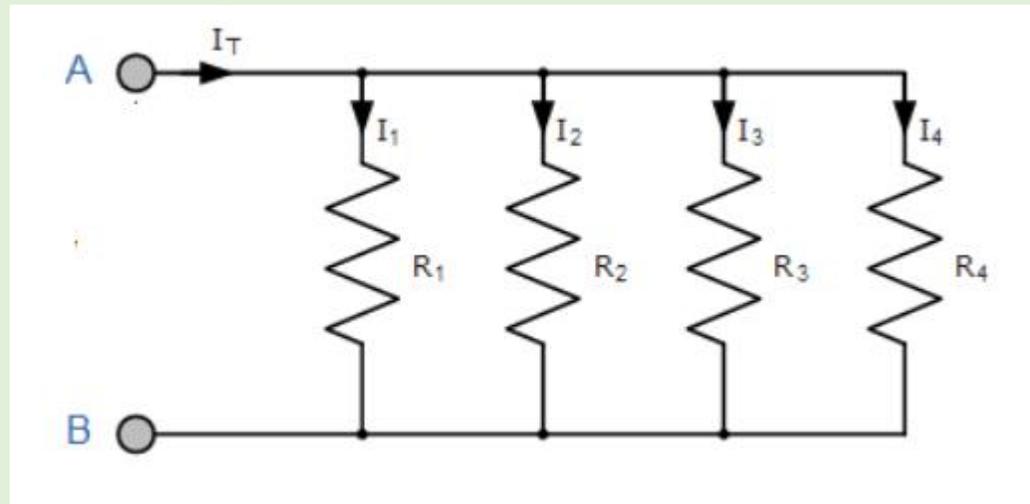
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Drawbacks

Advantages always comes with disadvantages:

- A 20mA current is too much for a driving stage
- The heat generated by a single resistor can be too high
(i.e.: the heat genereted by R_1 is 1W!)

Solutions



R1 can be replaced with 4 resistors in parallel of 10k each.

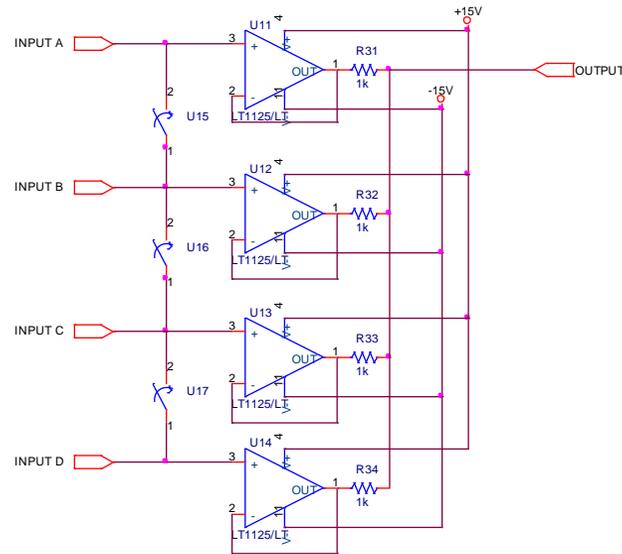
The heat generation is equally split.

0.1% tolerance, 10ppm thermal drift, 250mW resistors can be easily found.

Axial resistor recommended

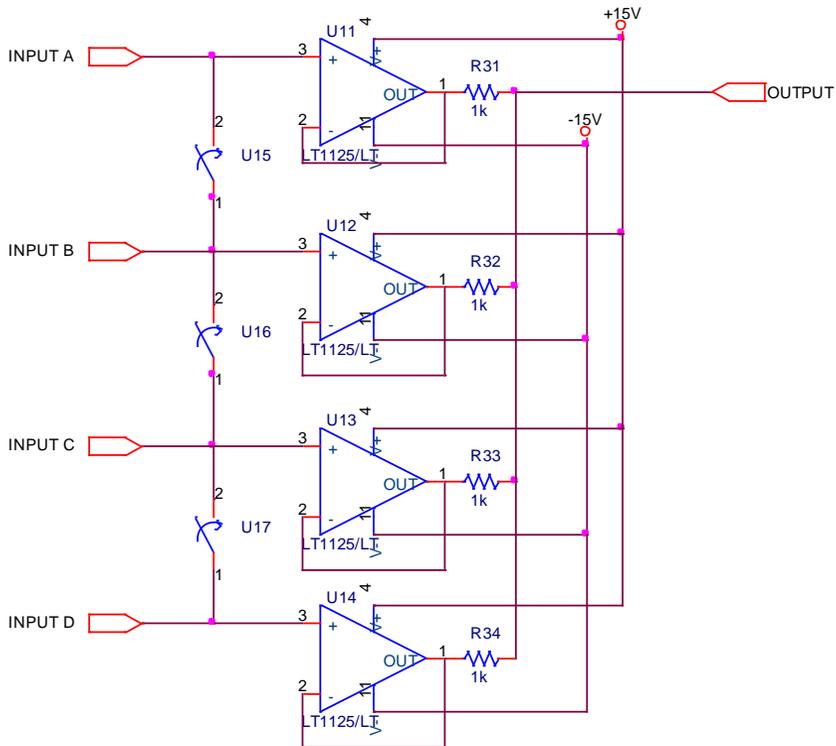
Solutions

For the driving stage it is necessary to add a block that provides all the current required





Solutions



This block replaces R_7 .

Low noise stage ($\approx 2\text{nV}$).

Can give up to 80mA of current.

This buffer can also accept four independent inputs.

The combination of four uncorrelated identical sources can reduce noise of a factor 2 compared to the single source.

An aerial photograph of a university campus, showing various buildings, green spaces, and a large circular structure. The image is slightly blurred, emphasizing the text overlaid on it.

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Macrorealism in optomechanical systems

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November 8th, 2018

Outline



- ▶ Formulation of Leggett-Garg inequalities (LGI) to test macroscopic coherence
- ▶ Protocol to create totally non-classical states in an optomechanical cavity
- ▶ Leggett-Garg Test on a hybrid optomechanical system

Leggett - Garg postulates¹

(A1) Macroscopic realism per se:

a macroscopic system with two or more macroscopically distinct states available to it will at all times be in one or other of these states.

(A2) Non-invasive measurability at macroscopic level:

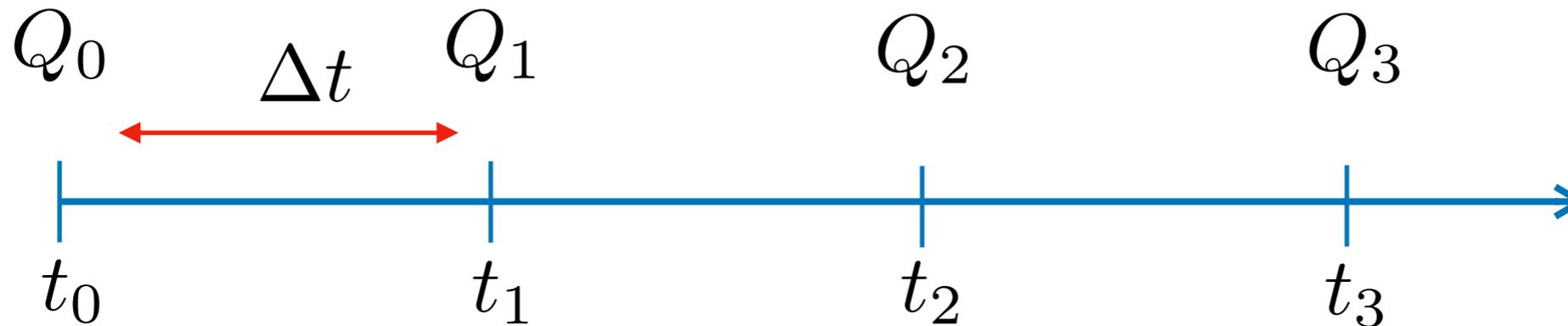
it is possible, in principle, to determine the states of the system with arbitrarily small perturbation on its subsequent dynamics.

¹A. J. Leggett, Anupam Garg, *Quantum mechanics versus macroscopic realism: Is the flux there when nobody looks?*, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 54, (1985).

Leggett - Garg function

Dichotomic observable

$$Q(t_i) = Q_i = \pm 1$$



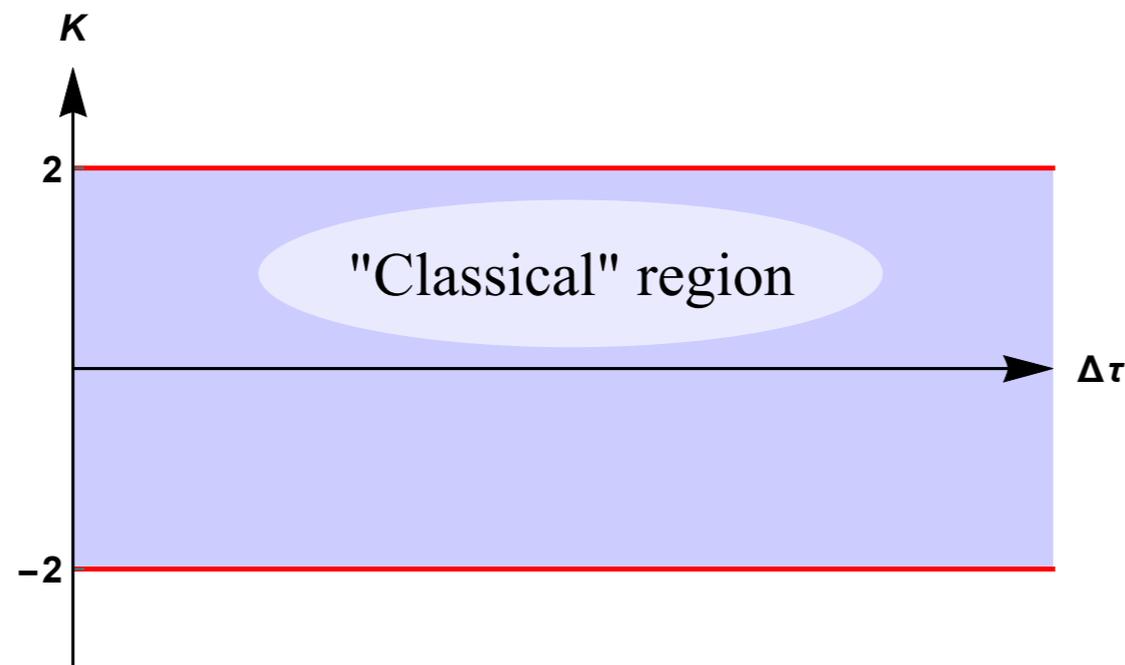
Temporal correlation function

$$C_{i,j} \equiv \langle Q_i, Q_j \rangle = \sum_{Q_i, Q_j} Q_i Q_j P_{i,j}(Q_i, Q_j)$$

$$K \equiv C_{10} + C_{21} + C_{32} - C_{30}$$

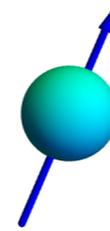
Leggett - Garg inequality

$$K \equiv |C_{10} + C_{21} + C_{32} - C_{30}| \leq 2$$



- ▶ Quantitative way to discern between Quantum and Classical dynamics
- ▶ All macrorealist theories fulfil the inequality
- ▶ **Violation:** at least one of the two assumptions fails

Single $\frac{1}{2}$ spin



$$\hat{H} = \omega \hat{\sigma}_x$$

Dichotomic observable:

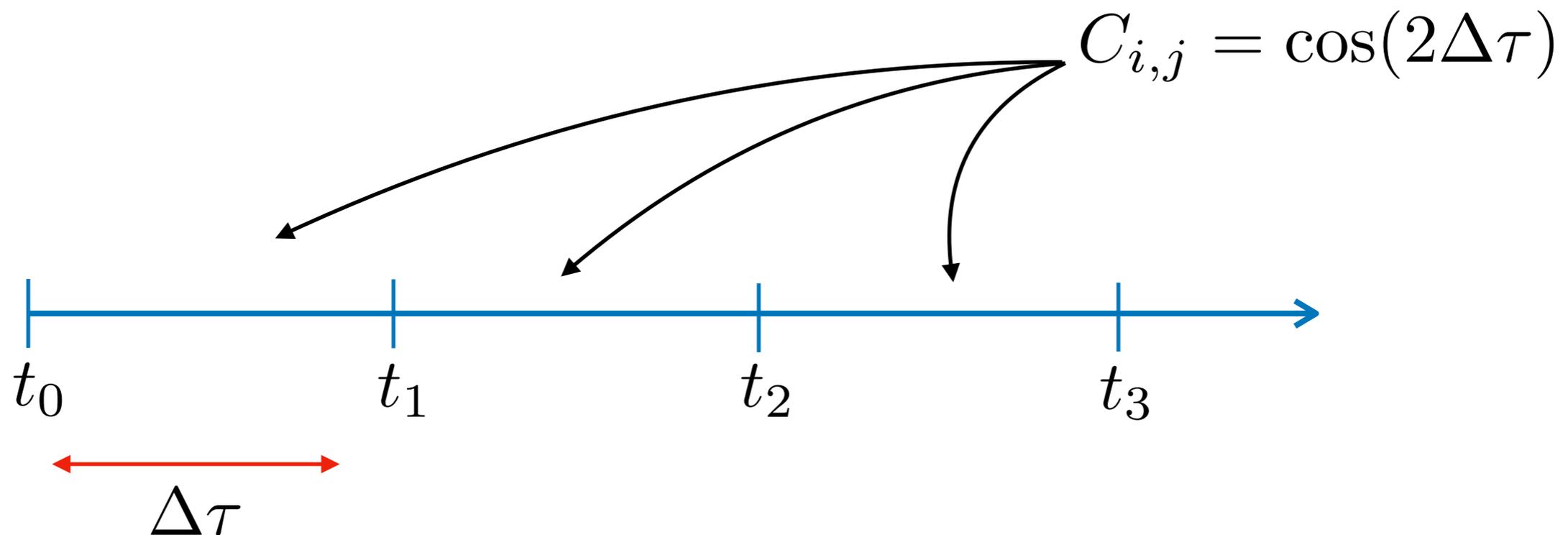
$$\hat{Q} = \hat{\sigma}_z$$

$|\uparrow\rangle$

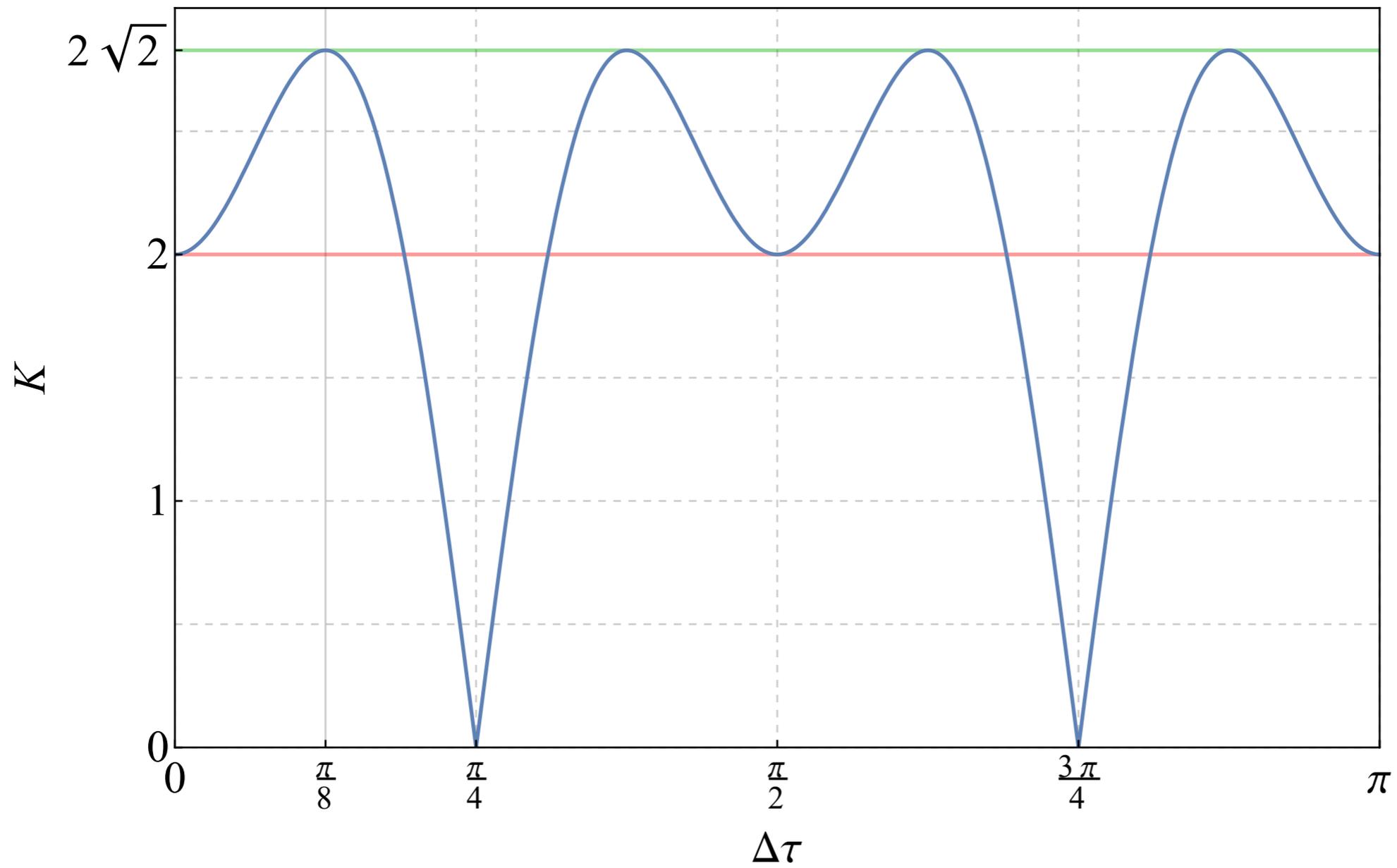
$$Q = +1$$

$|\downarrow\rangle$

$$Q = -1$$

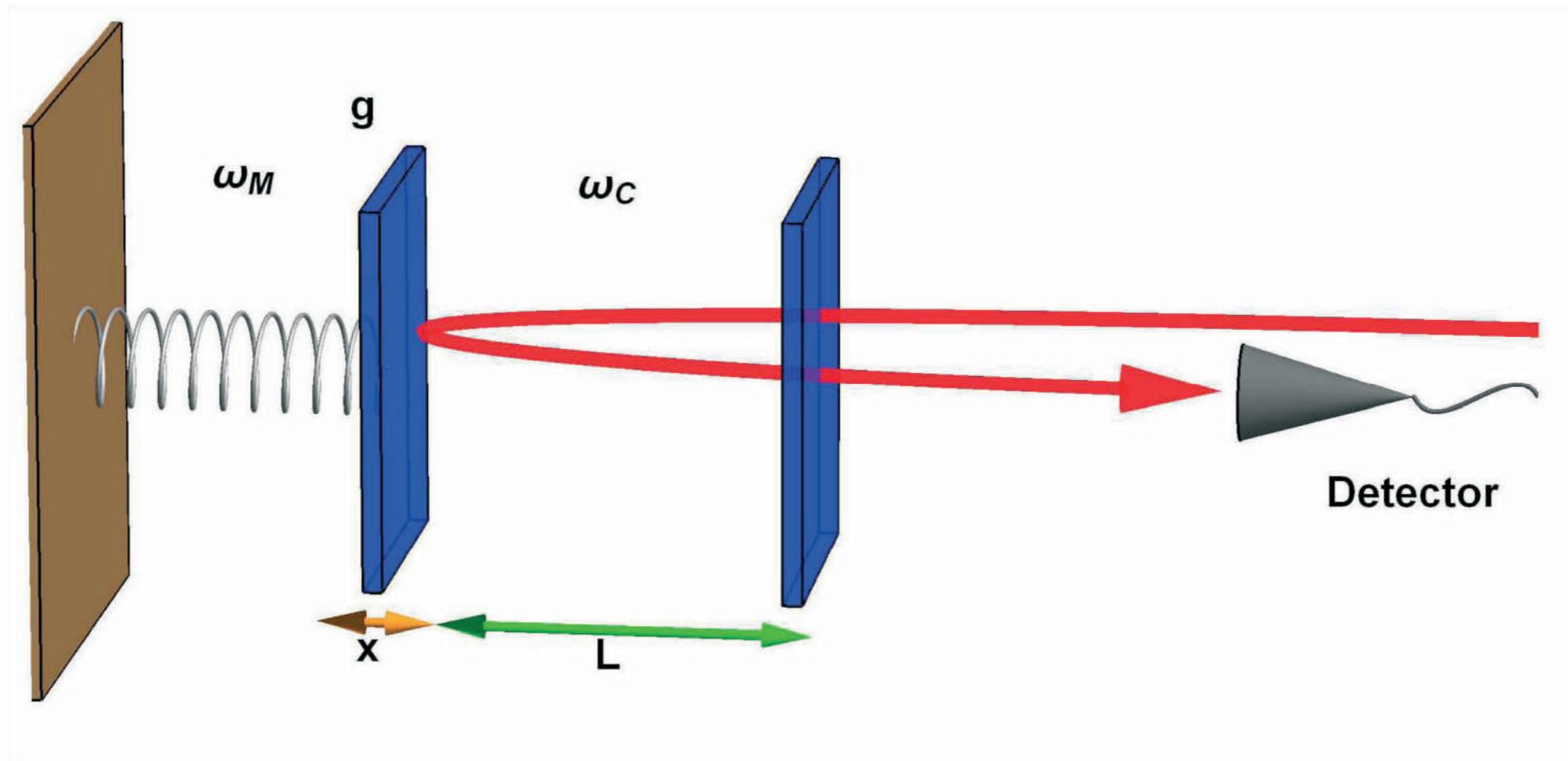


$$K = |3 \cos(2\Delta\tau) - \cos(6\Delta\tau)| < 2$$



Optomechanical cavity

$$\hat{H} = \hbar\omega_C \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} + \hbar\omega_M \hat{b}^\dagger \hat{b} - \hbar g \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} (\hat{b}^\dagger + \hat{b})$$



Protocol to originate totally non-classical states of the mirror²

²S. Bose, K. Jacobs, P. L. Knight, Preparation of Nonclassical States in Cavities with a Moving Mirror, *Phys.Rev. A* 56, 4175-4186, (1997)

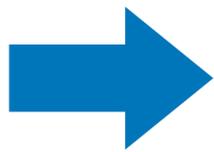
Unitary free evolution

Initial state:

$$|\psi(0)\rangle_{CM} = |\alpha\rangle_C \otimes |0\rangle_M$$

Evolved state:

$$|\psi(t)\rangle_{CM} = \hat{U}(t)|\psi(0)\rangle_{CM}$$



Statistical mixture of the mirror states

$$\hat{\rho}_M = e^{-|\alpha|^2} \sum_n^{\infty} \frac{\alpha^{2n}}{n!} |\phi_n(t)\rangle \langle \phi_n(t)|$$

How can we create totally non-classical states for the mirror?



Projective measurement on the cavity field

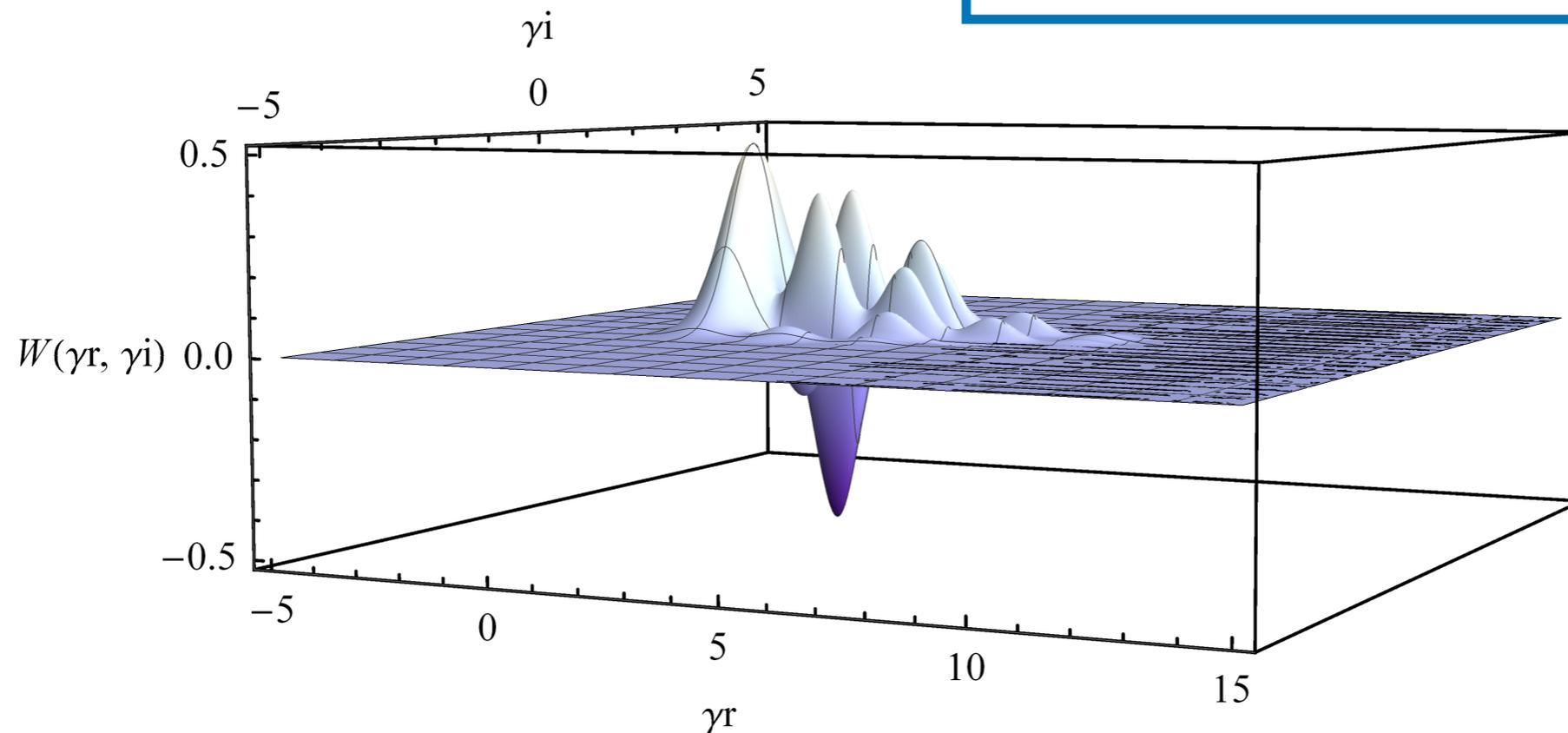
$$\hat{\Pi}_C \equiv |x\rangle\langle x|$$

$$|\psi'(t)\rangle_{CM} = \hat{\Pi}_C |\psi(t)\rangle_{CM}$$

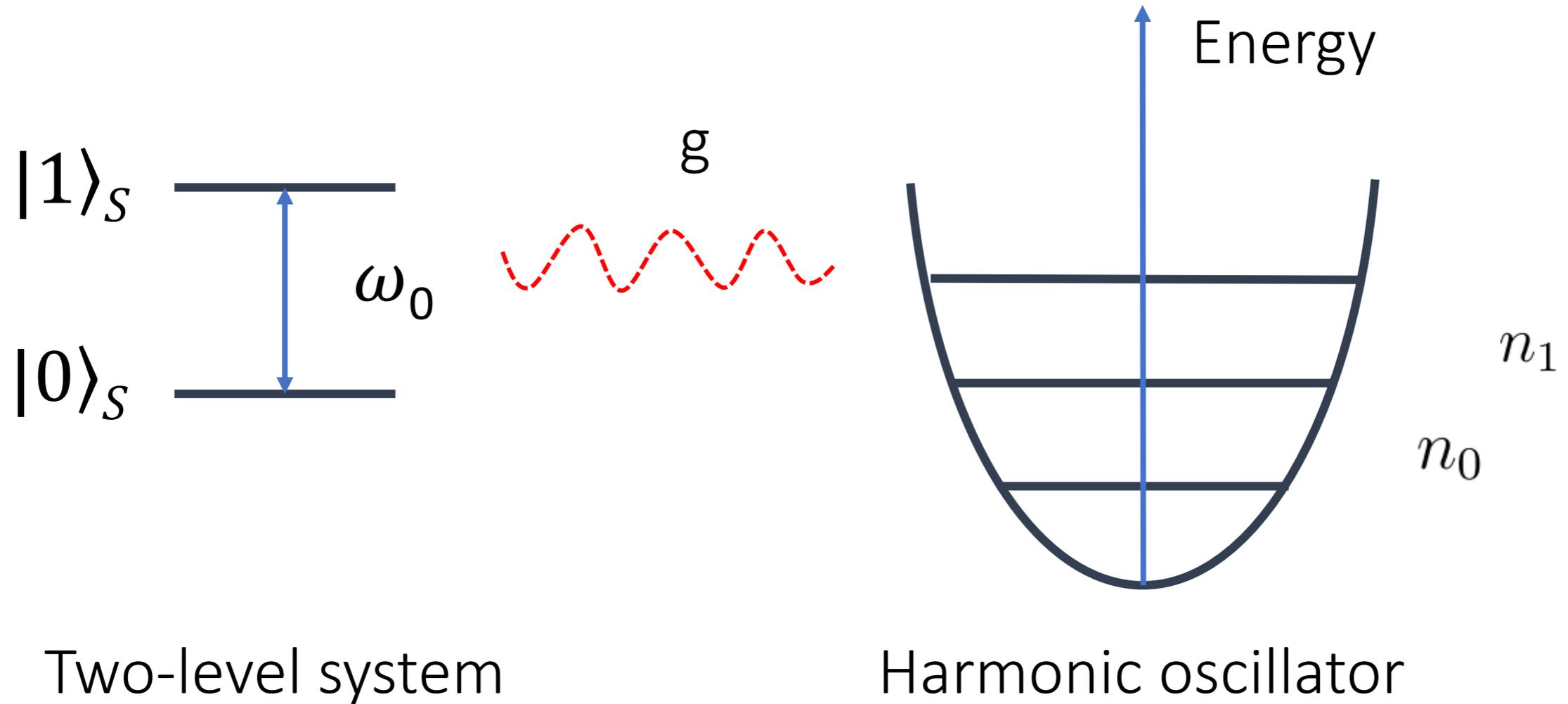


Superposition of coherent states

$$|\psi'(t)\rangle_M = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \beta_n(t) |\phi_n(t)\rangle$$

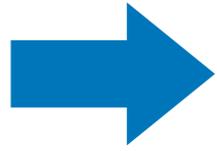


Test of LGI with hybrid optomechanical system

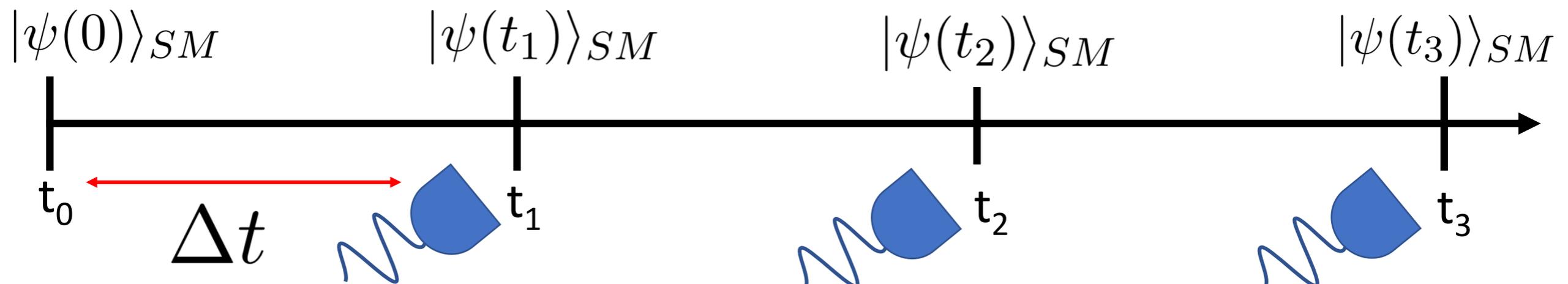


$$\hat{H} = \hbar\omega_0\hat{\sigma}_z + \hbar\omega_M\hat{b}^\dagger\hat{b} + \hbar g\hat{\sigma}_z(\hat{b}^\dagger + \hat{b})$$

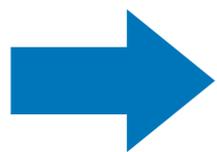
We want to reproduce with the mirror the dynamic of the spin



Two-level system as **ancilla**



Test of the LGI for the mirror



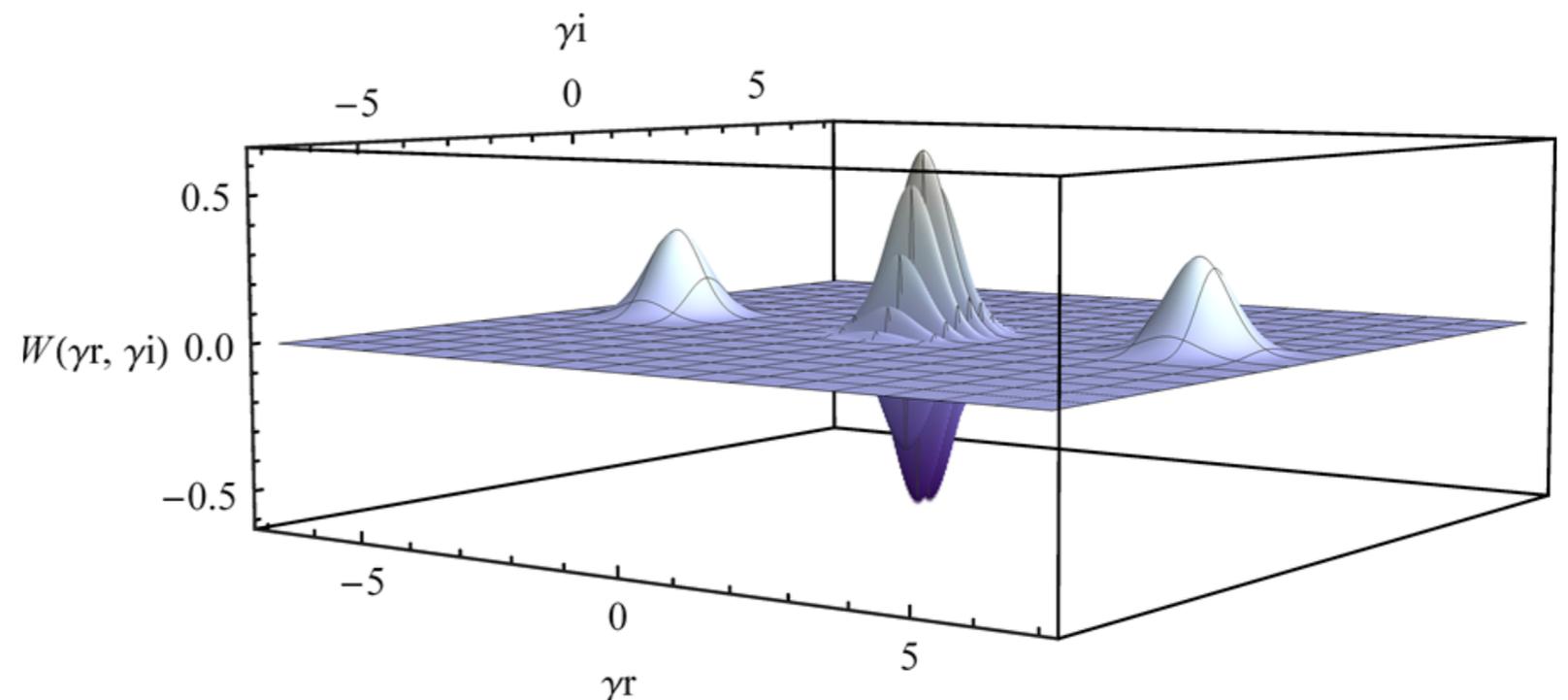
Measurements of the coherent states of the mechanical oscillator

$$|\psi(0)\rangle_{SM} = \frac{(|1\rangle_S + |0\rangle_S)}{\sqrt{2}} \otimes |0\rangle_M$$

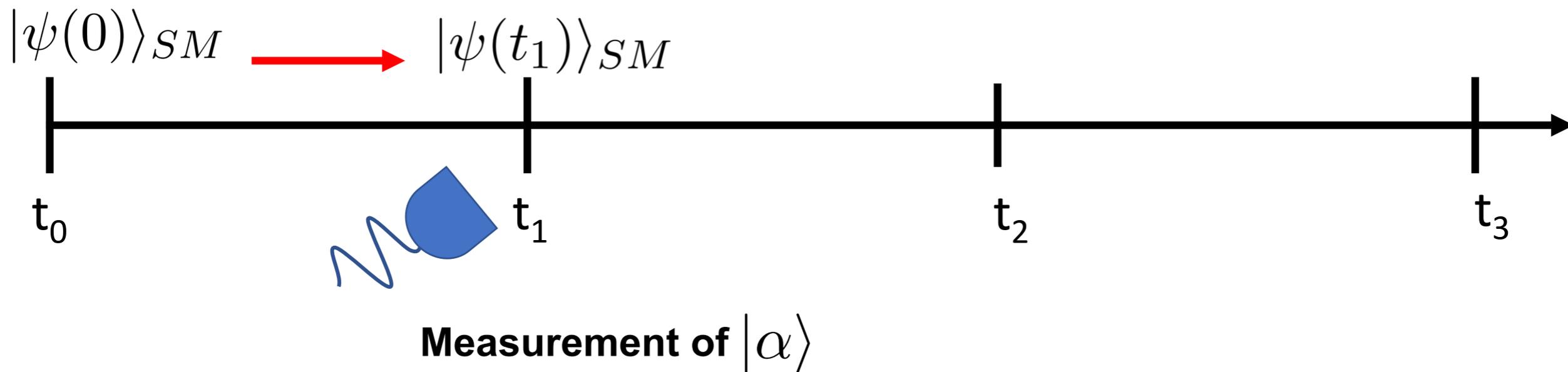
Time evolution map

$$\hat{\epsilon}(t) = \hat{\Pi}_+ \hat{U}(t)$$

$$|\varphi(t)\rangle_M = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2(1 + e^{-2|G|^2})}} \left(|iG\rangle + | -iG\rangle \right)$$



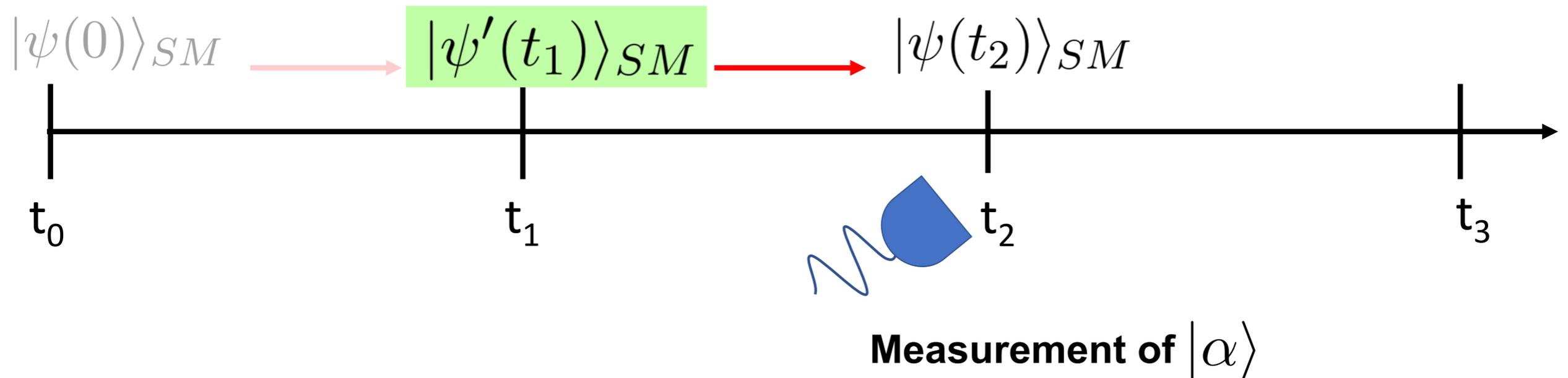
► $|\psi(0)\rangle_{SM} = |\alpha\rangle_M \otimes (\sin \tau |1\rangle_S + \cos \tau |0\rangle_S)$



► $|\psi(t_1)\rangle_{SM} = \frac{(\sin \tau e^{-iG\alpha} |\alpha - iG\rangle_M + \cos \tau |\alpha\rangle_M)}{\sqrt{2}} \otimes |+\rangle_S$

Reset the state of the ancilla

►
$$|\psi'(t_1)\rangle_{SM} = \frac{N_1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\sin \tau e^{-iG\alpha} |\alpha - iG\rangle_M + \cos \tau |\alpha\rangle_M \right) \otimes (A_\tau |1\rangle_S + B_\tau |0\rangle_S)$$



Dichotomization of the observable

In the limit $G \rightarrow \infty$:

$$t_1 \quad |\alpha\rangle \longrightarrow |0\rangle_L \quad \quad |\alpha - iG\rangle \longrightarrow |1\rangle_L$$

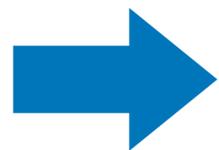
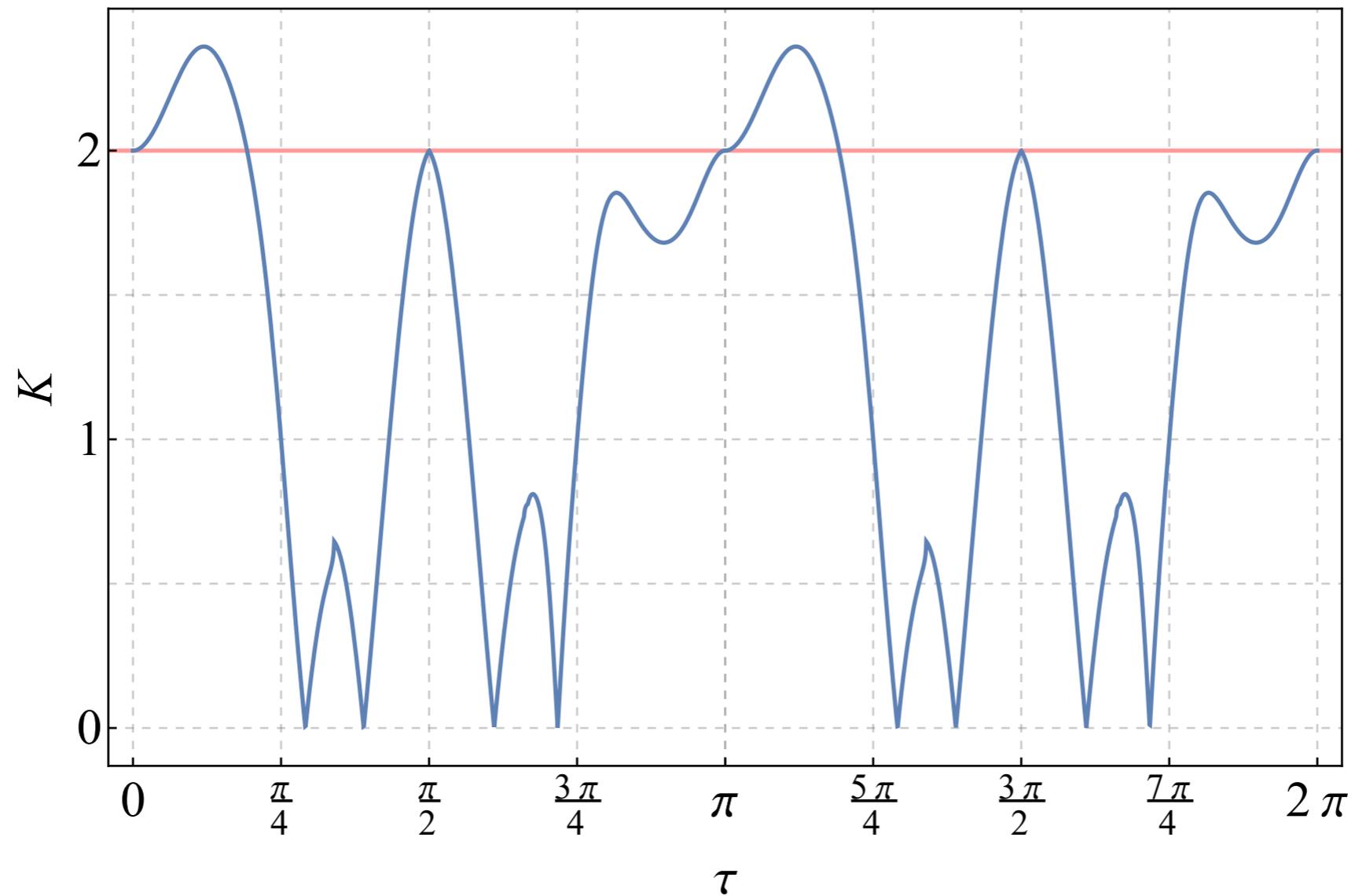
$$t_2 \quad |\alpha\rangle \longrightarrow |0\rangle_L \quad \left\{ |\alpha - iG\rangle, |\alpha - 2iG\rangle \right\} \longrightarrow |1\rangle_L$$

Orthogonality: $\langle \alpha | \alpha - iG \rangle = e^{-\frac{|G|^2}{2} - \frac{i}{2}(G\alpha^* + G^*\alpha)} \longrightarrow 0$

Completeness: $\hat{\Pi}_{0_L} = |\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha| \quad \quad \hat{\Pi}_{1_L} = \hat{1} - |\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha|$

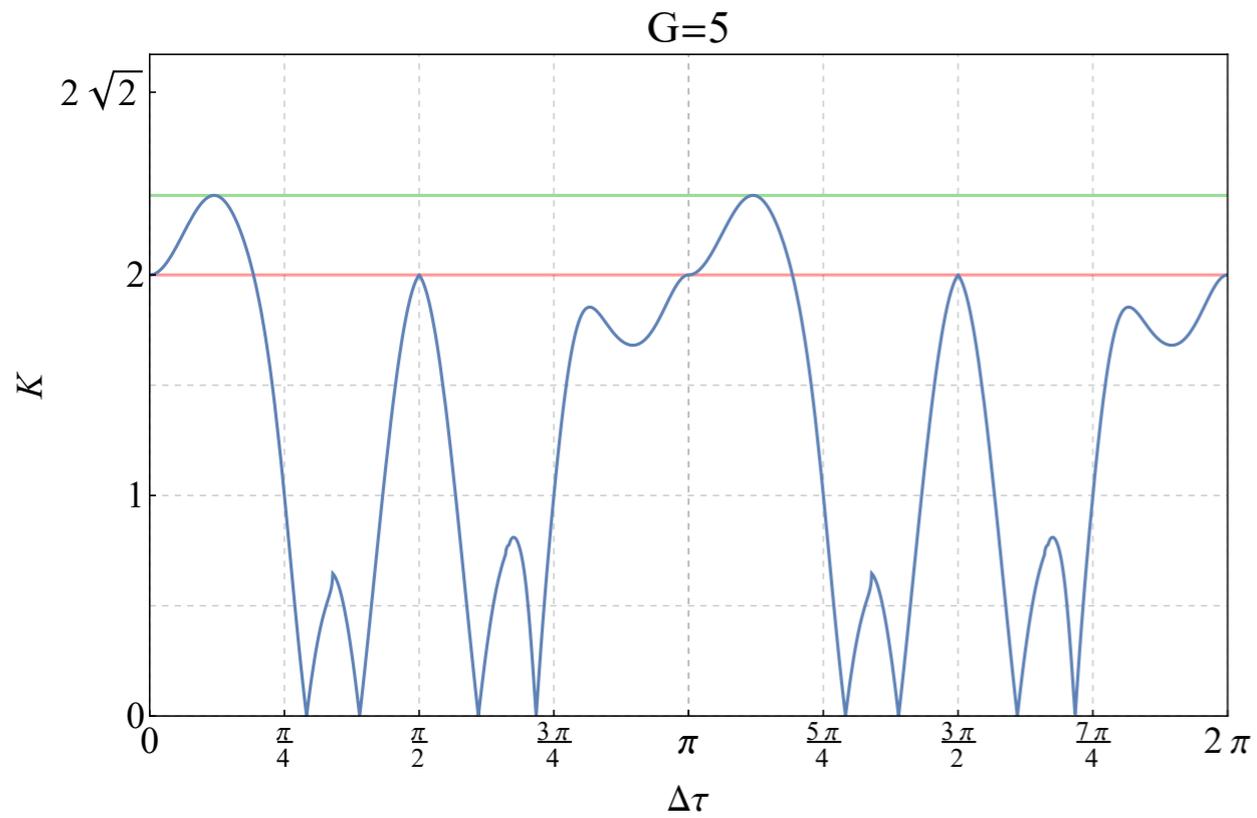
Leggett-Garg Violation

$G=5$

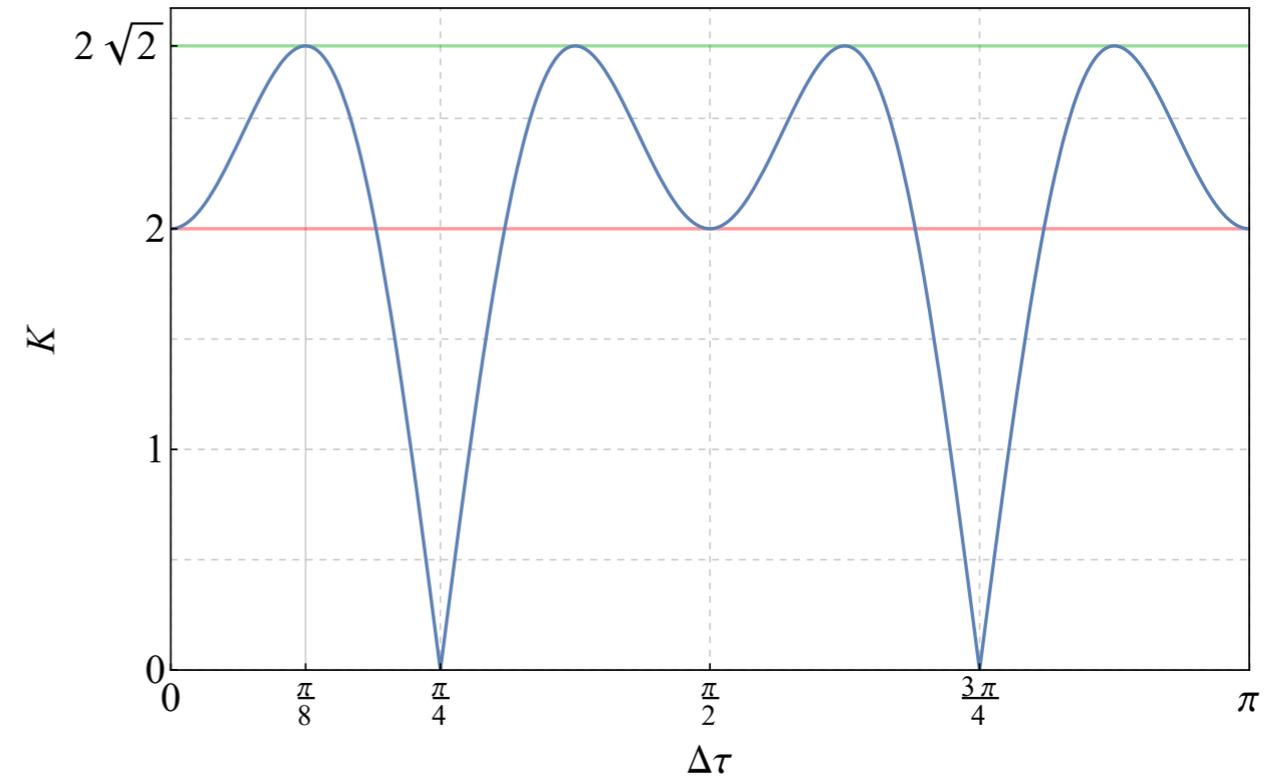


At least one of the two assumptions must fail

Oscillator



Spin



- ▶ Different periods due to small differences in correlation functions
- ▶ More similar to the spin case in the limit $G \rightarrow \infty$:

Conclusions

- ▶ Leggett-Garg inequalities enable us to infer a priori if a system can be treated classically or not
- ▶ Optomechanical cavities are particularly suitable to test these inequalities, because through the coupling with an ancillary system we are able to originate non-classical states of the mirror
- ▶ We studied an hybrid optomechanical system, in which a two-level system is coupled to an harmonic oscillator. We found a violation of the Leggett-Garg inequalities, meaning that a classical interpretation of the system has to be abandoned

Detection and control of optically levitated particles

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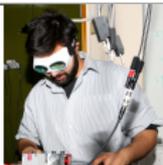
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- Levitated optomechanics
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 - ro-translational motion
- Testing a dynamical model
 - classical, quantum, CSL

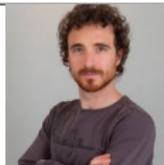
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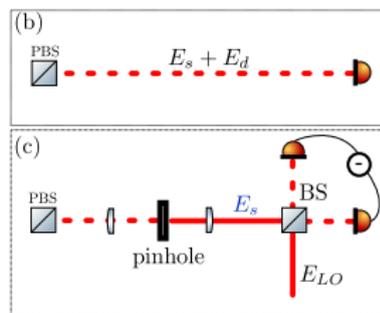
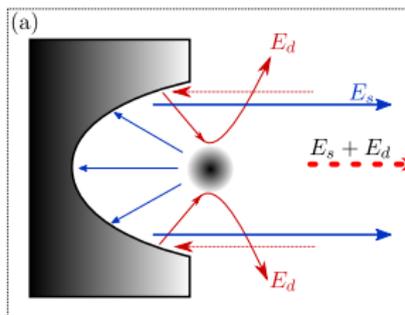


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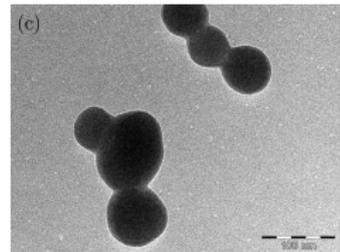
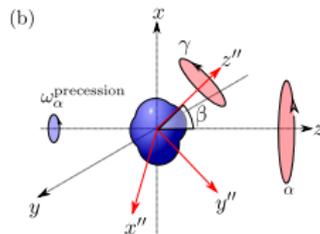
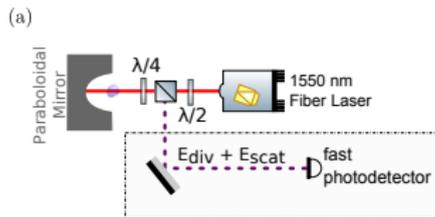


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Optically trapped particles and detection

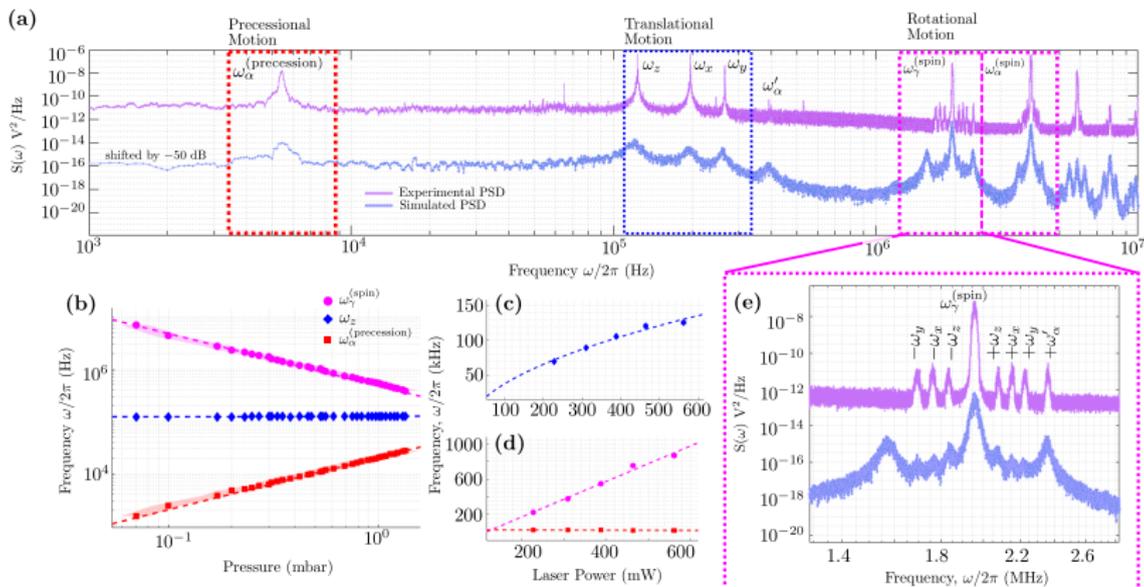


Ro-translational motion



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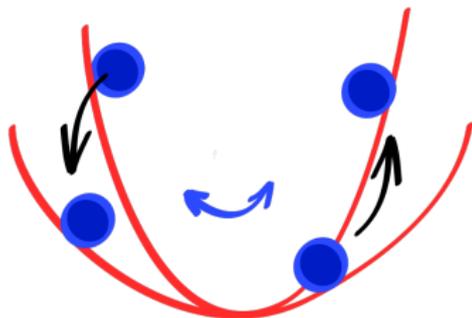
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Estimation and control

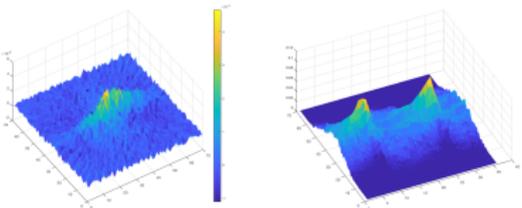
- state estimation
 - ro-translational motion
- state control
 - cooling
 - driving
 - squeezing
 - displacement



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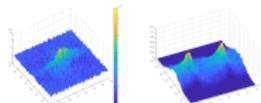
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Testing a model - “interferometry”

test type	“tomography based”
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detection	dyne/protocol
visual aid	Wigner function 
generate non-classicality?	preparation protocol

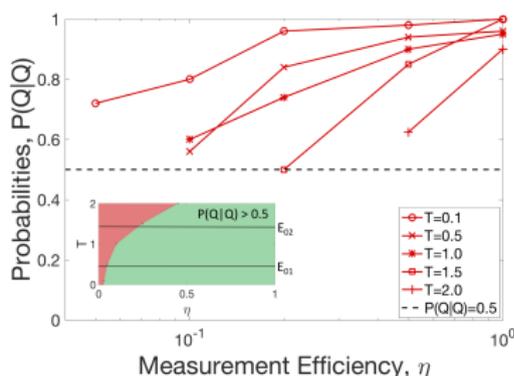
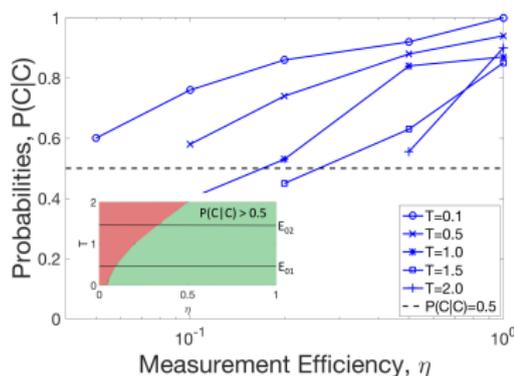
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Testing a model - “time-trace”

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detection	protocol	dyne
visual aid	Wigner function 	/
generate non-classicality?	preparation protocol	nonlinearity

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Optomechanical system with Duffing nonlinearity



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Summary

- Levitated optomechanics and Southampton experiment
 - detection and control of ro-translational motion
 - dynamical model selection
- Applications
 - force and torque sensing
 - search for quantum features
 - beyond current theories

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The synthesis and characterization of photon upconverting Yb:YLiF₄

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Role TU Delft in TEQ

- Synthesizing nanoparticles
- TEst the large scale limit of Quantum mechanics
- TU Delft & IIT



Prof. L. Manna - IIT



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F. De Donato - IIT



Dr. A.J. Houtepen -
TUD

Jence Mulder

- MSc Chemical Engineering – TU Delft
 - Master thesis @ OM group (Arjan Houtepen)
 - Internship @ IIT Genova (Liberato Manna and Luca de Trizio)
 - PhD @ OM group (Arjan Houtepen and Liberato Manna) for TEQ-project



Material requirements

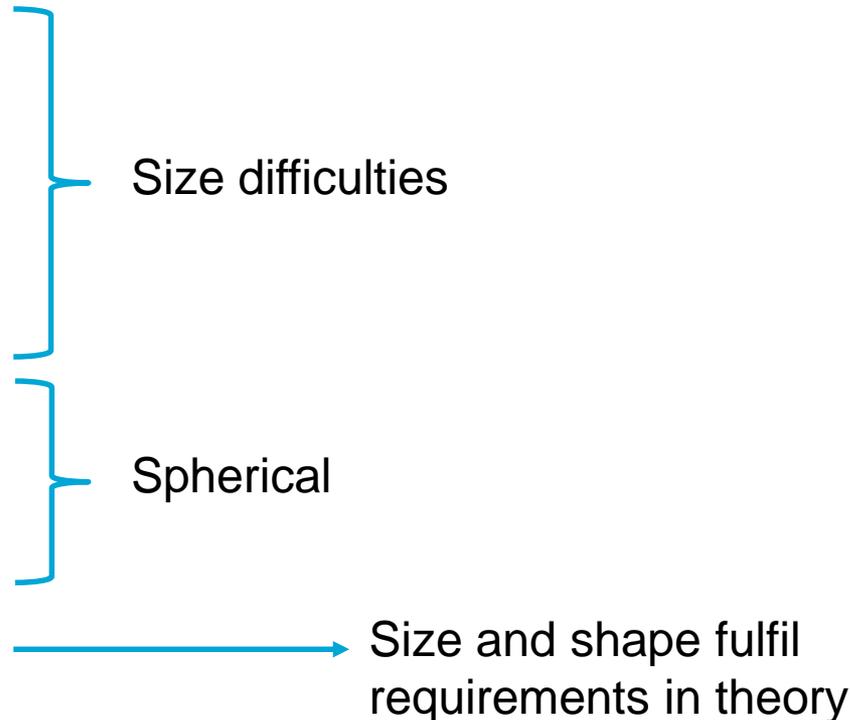
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- Size → 50 nm - 1 μ m, monodisperse
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Proposed materials

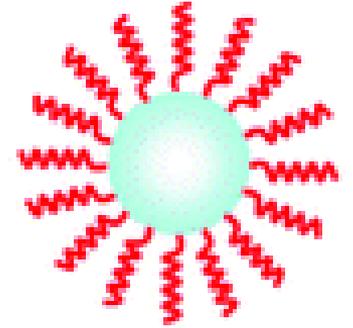
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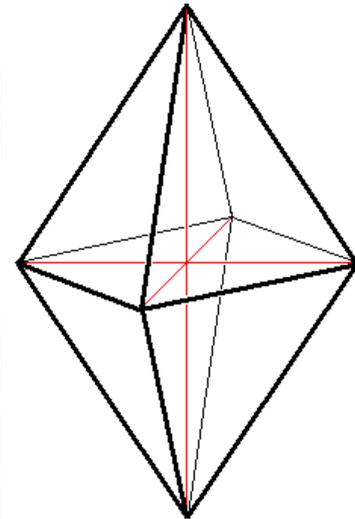
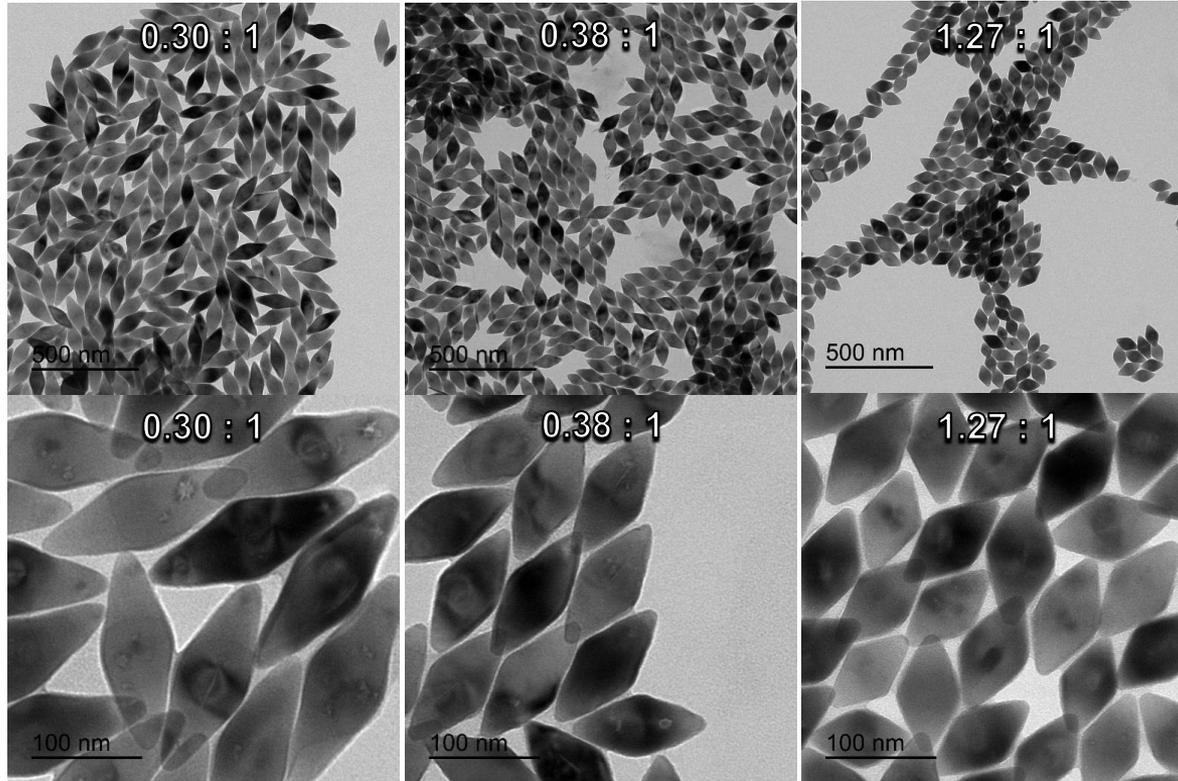
- CdS
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 - SiO₂
 - Yb:YLiF₄
- Size difficulties
- Spherical
- Size and shape fulfil requirements in theory
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Synthesis

- Synthesis of trifluoroacetate (TFA) salts
- Cracking of the TFA salts
- Purifying and concentrating the particles



TEM Imaging samples (Yb : Y)

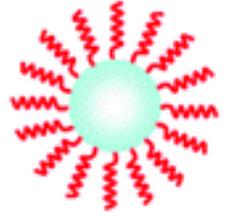


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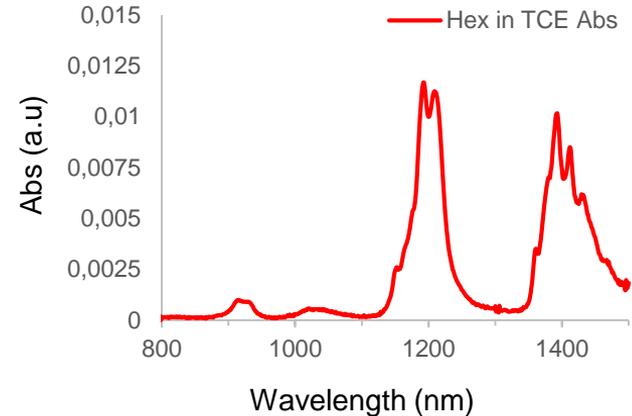
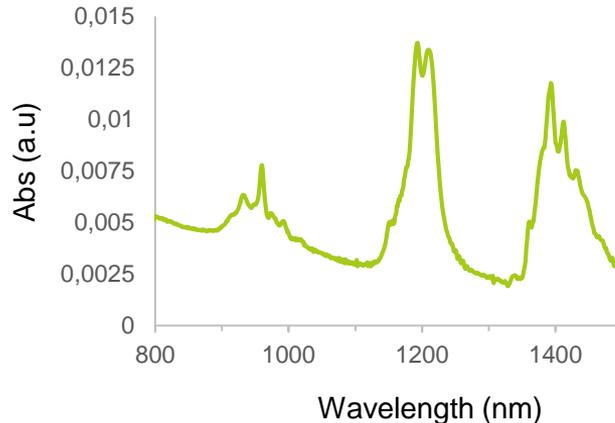
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Absorption Spectroscopy



- Requirement: very low absorption at 1064 nm and 1550 nm



- Absorption 1100 – 1500 nm related to solvents and organic surfactants:
 - Removing solvent
 - Changing ligands for short, non-absorbing ligands

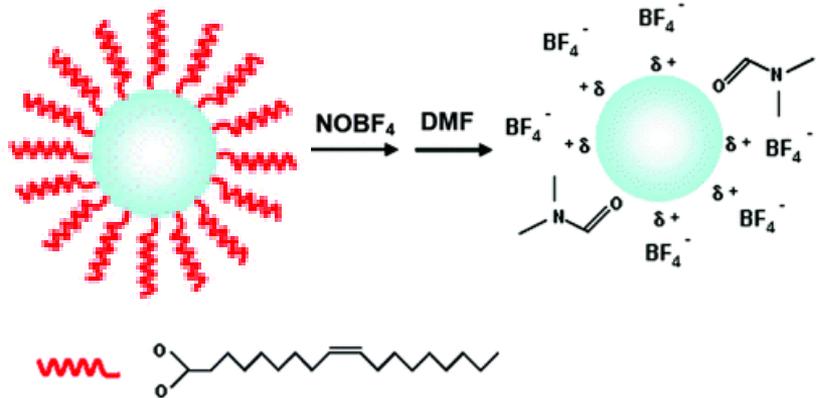
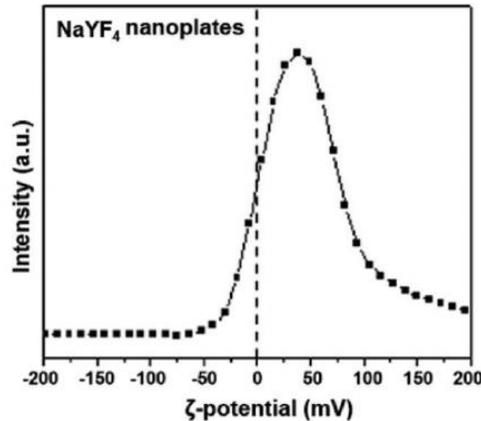
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Ligand exchange

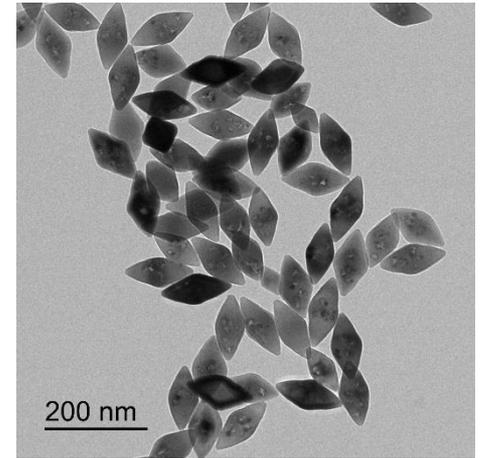
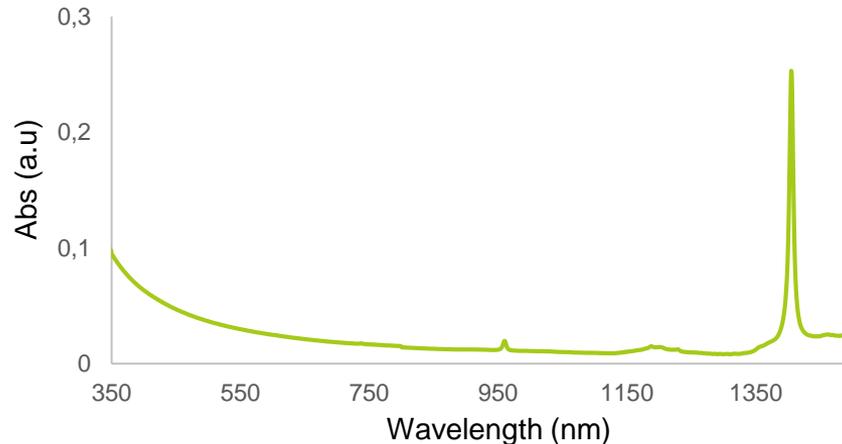
- Requirement: defined surface charge
- Removing absorbing ligands (oleate)
- Ligand stripping with NOBF_4



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Absorbance change

- Phase transfer: hexane \rightarrow methanol
- Very low absorbance at 1064 and 1550 nm
- Charge-stabilized in MeOH



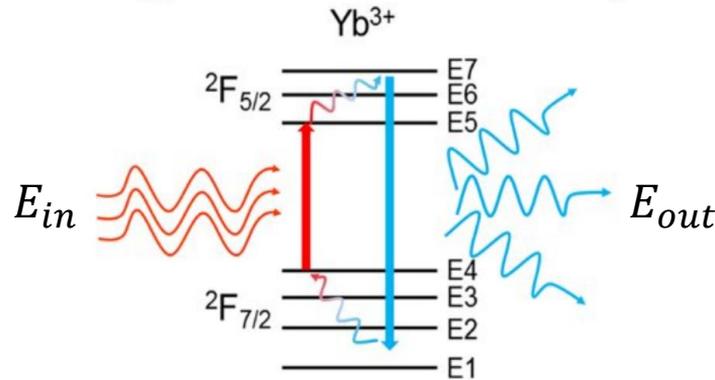
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Optical refrigeration principle

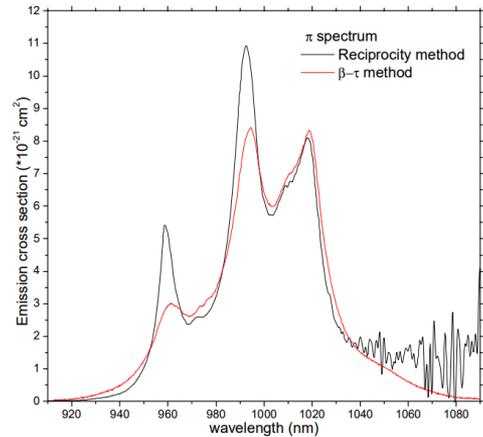
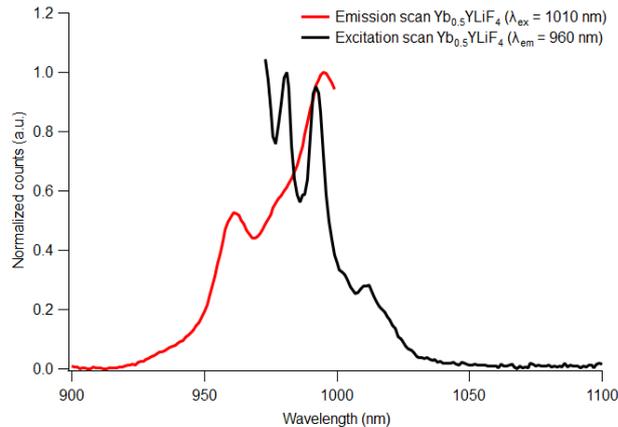
- Phonon-assisted anti-Stokes photoluminescence
- High quantum yield required for cooling



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Emission and excitation spectroscopy

- Excitation at 1010nm, emission peaks at 960nm and 995nm
- Photon upconversion of 64meV (960nm) and 19 meV (995nm)



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Outlook

- Size, shape, solvent and absorption parameters meet the requirements
- Charging surface is possible
- More analysis needed for defined charge
- Nanoparticles show upconversion
- Very high purity needed for required QY

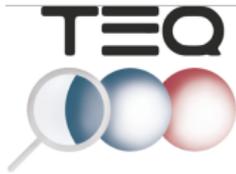
Suggestions and feedback

- Please let me know if:
 - Parameters are indeed met
 - Parameters are missing
 - Particles can be measured to receive feedback
- Requests for samples
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Special Relativity and Spontaneous Collapse Outside the Light Cone

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November 7, 2018



Outline

- 1 Motivation and Background
- 2 Collapse and Relativity
- 3 Tumulka's Relativistic Collapse Model
- 4 Outlook

Background on Collapse Models and Special Relativity

- The original collapse models GRW and CSL are not relativistic
- Current experiments explore the low velocity regime
- There are some models proposed to be relativistic; Tumulka's model [1], the one of Bedingham et al [2] and Tilloy's model [3],

Collapses in Different Frames

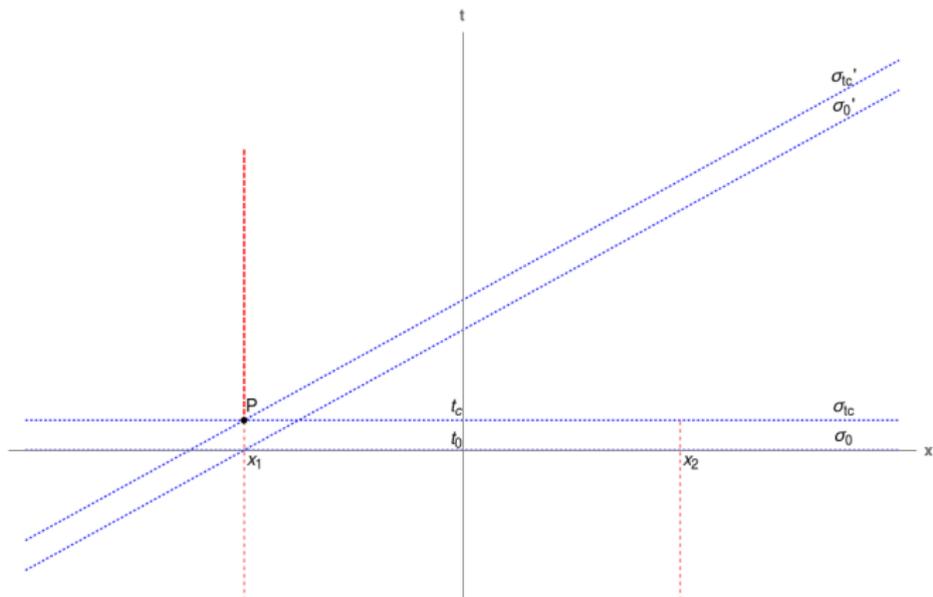


Figure: If a collapse occurs on σ_{t_c} then the state on σ_0' is not normalised.

Agreement with Special Relativity

Conditions for Consistency with Special Relativity

- 1 Observers in different inertial frames must be able to relate initial conditions.
- 2 The dynamics of the system must be Lorentz covariant.

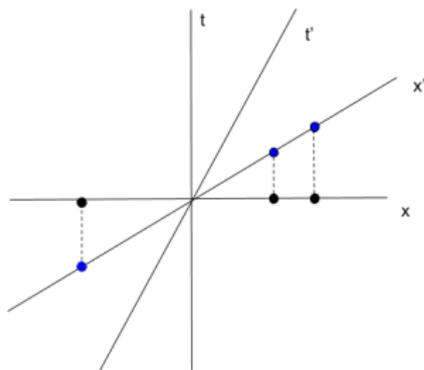
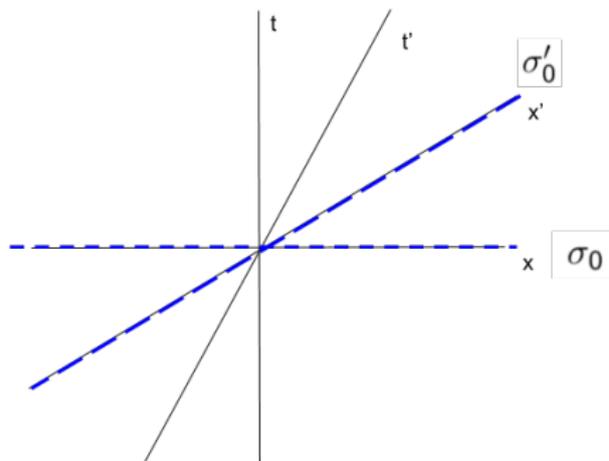


Figure: Initial conditions in two different inertial frames for classical particles in 1D.

Relativistic Quantum Mechanics without Collapses



$$U_{\sigma_0}^{\sigma'_0} = T \exp\left[-i \int_{\sigma_0}^{\sigma'_0} d^4x \mathcal{H}_I(x)\right]$$

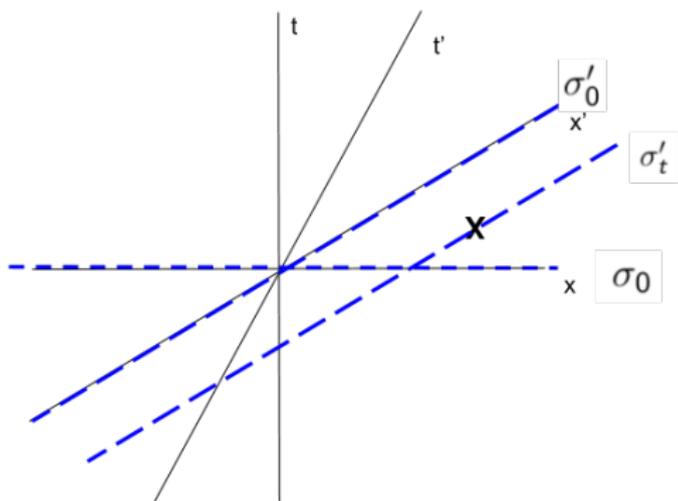
$$[\mathcal{H}_I(x), \mathcal{H}_I(y)] = 0$$

if x and y are spacelike

$$|\psi'_{\sigma'_0}(x')\rangle = |\psi_{\sigma_0}(x)\rangle$$

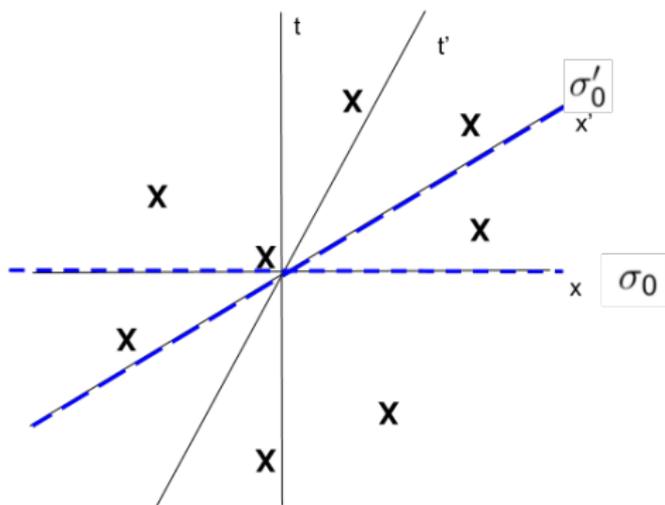
$$= U_{\sigma_0}^{\sigma'_0} |\psi_{\sigma_0}(x)\rangle$$

Quantum Mechanics with Collapses



$$|\psi_{\sigma'_0}(x)\rangle = \frac{U_{\sigma'_t}^{\sigma'_0} \hat{L}(X) U_{\sigma_0}^{\sigma'_t} |\psi_{\sigma_0}(x)\rangle}{|\hat{L}(X) U_{\sigma_0}^{\sigma'_t} |\psi_{\sigma_0}(x)\rangle|^2}$$

Quantum Mechanics with Spacelike Collapses



The position of all collapses between the two hypersurfaces must be known.

Relativity for Spontaneous Collapse Models

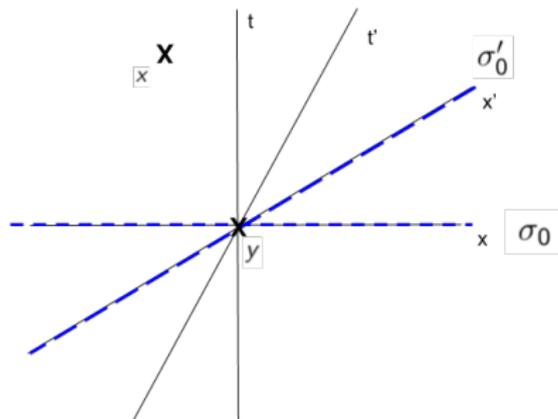


Figure: For Markovian collapse models the initial conditions are a point of collapse and state on the constant time hypersurface intersecting that point.

Then the dynamics must satisfy:

$$P(x|y, |\psi_{\sigma_0}\rangle) = P(x'|y', |\psi_{\sigma'_0}\rangle). \quad (3)$$

Tumulka's Relativistic Collapse Model

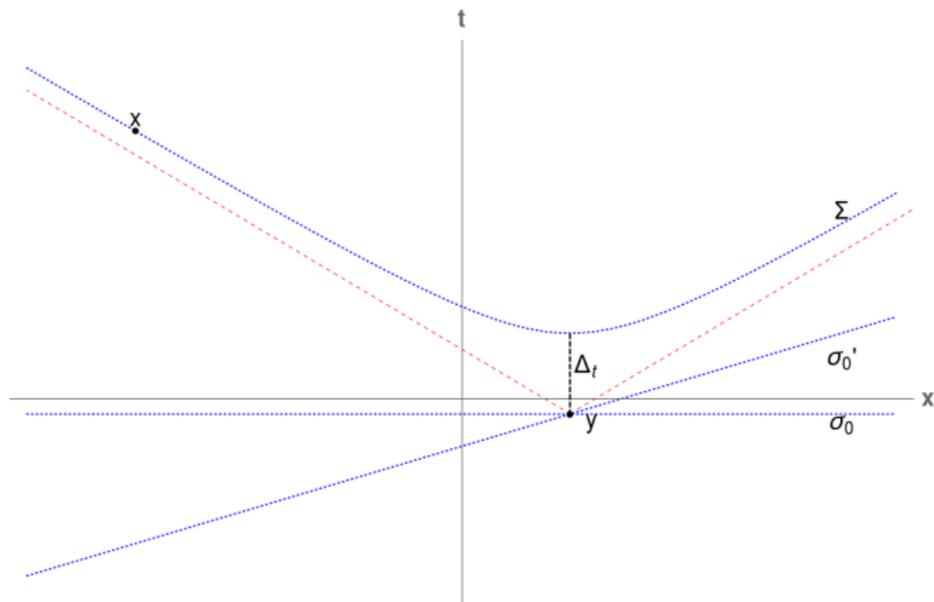


Figure: Here the dashed red line shows the future lightcone of y and the dotted blue lines show space-like hypersurfaces.

Tulmulka's model with interacting particles

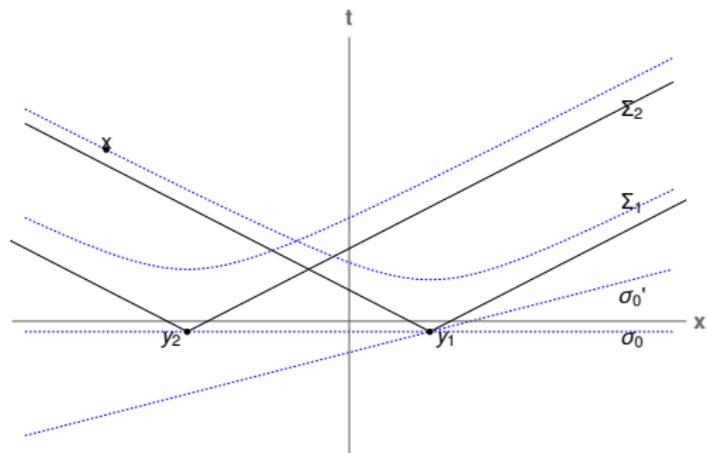


Figure: In a frame where the two initial points of collapse y_1 and y_2 are simultaneous then the state on Σ_1 or Σ_2 cannot be specified as:

$$[U_{\sigma_0}^{\Sigma_2}, \hat{L}(x)] \neq 0$$

Indistinguishable extension with time-like collapses

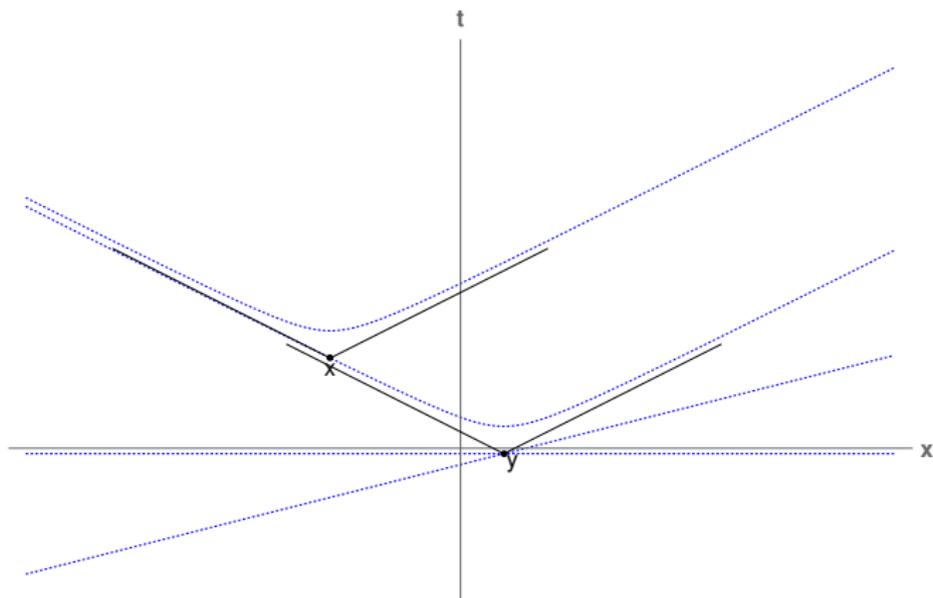


Figure: Subsequent collapses, here y then x , will be time-like to each other, so the indistinguishable extension is relativistic

Failure of indistinguishable extension

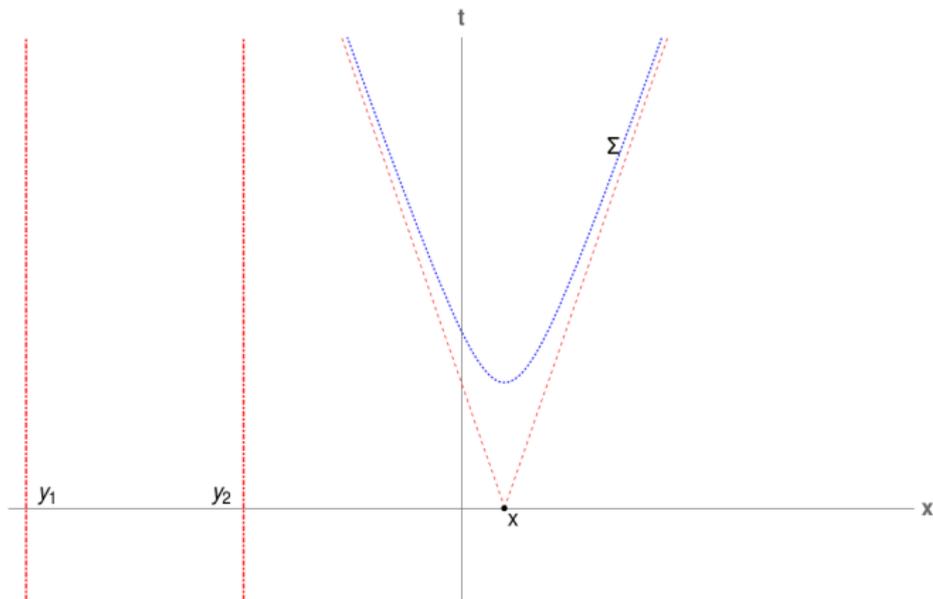


Figure: Two indistinguishable particles with one particle initially in a spatial superposition at $\underline{y_1}$ and $\underline{y_2}$.

Outlook

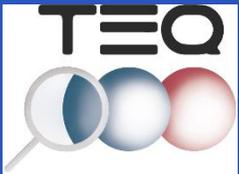
- For models with point like collapses then in order to be Lorentz invariant then two initial observers must be able to relate their initial conditions
- Tumulka's model cannot be extended to realistic particles
- I suspect that for a spontaneous collapse model to be consistent with special relativity the initial condition required must be a local.

- [1] Roderich Tumulka.
A relativistic version of the Ghirardi–Rimini–Weber model.
Journal of Statistical Physics, 125(4):821–840, 2006.
- [2] Daniel Bedingham, Detlef Dürr, GianCarlo Ghirardi, Sheldon Goldstein, Roderich Tumulka, and Nino Zanghì.
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Thank you for listening

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The TEQ detection “challenge”



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How do you detect a nanoparticle in the Paul trap ?

Main Issue: internal heating due to light absorption
⇒ Light or not light?

Light:

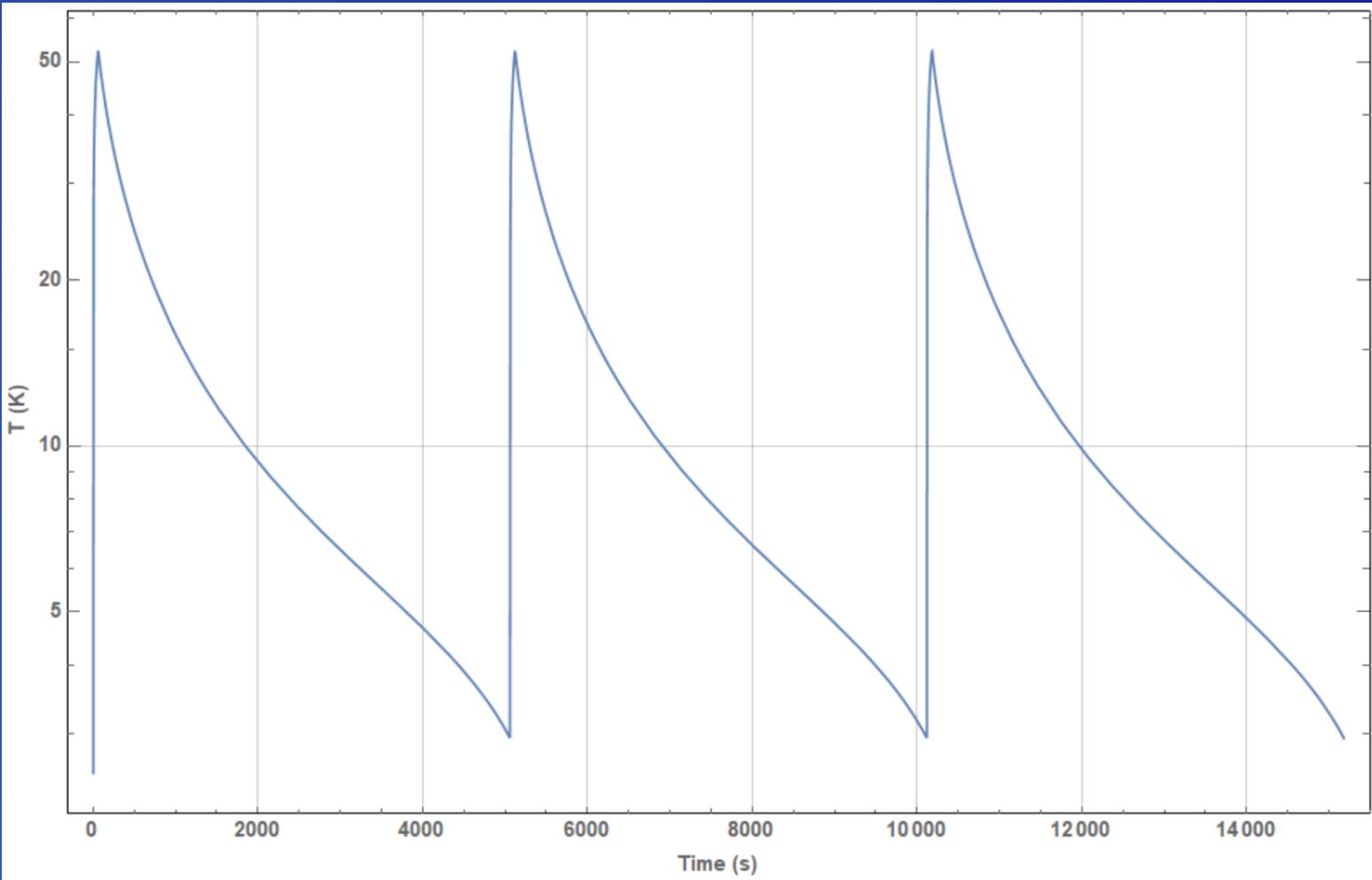
Optical cavity (UCL)

Optical “tweezer” = paraboloid mirror (UoS)

Not light ? Electrical Readout + SQUID (UoS)

Continuous vs stroboscopic

Internal heating @ “reasonable” optical power (~ fW absorption)



$R=200$ nm SiO₂

$T_{\text{gas}}=0.3$ K

$P=1\text{E}-12$ mbar

$P_{\text{abs}}=3\text{E}-15$ W

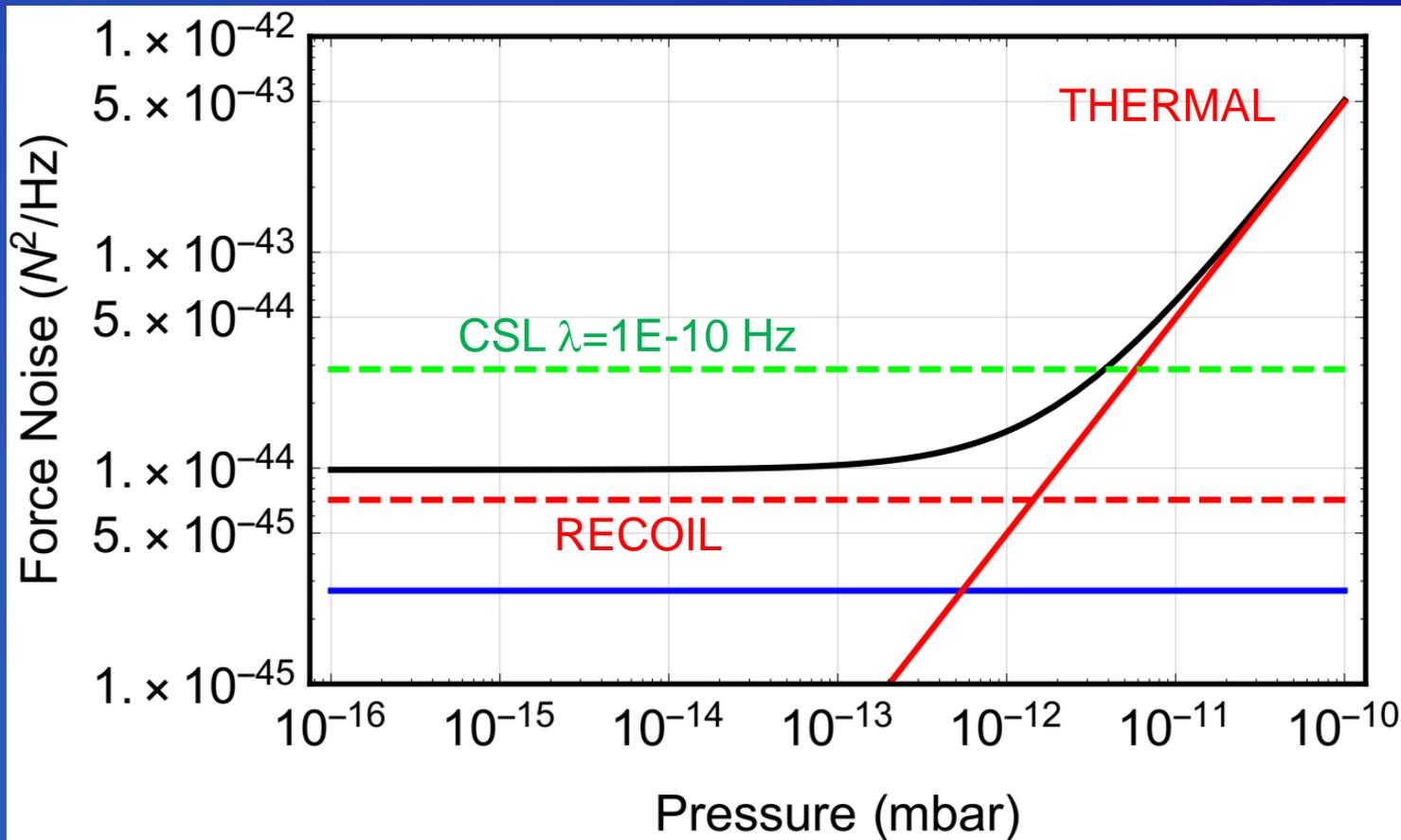
$t_{\text{on}}=1$ minute

$t_{\text{off}}=5000$ seconds

Why do we care?

Thermal noise from gas collisions depends on internal temperature !

HEATING ISSUE (optical cavity case)



For realistic
fixed power !

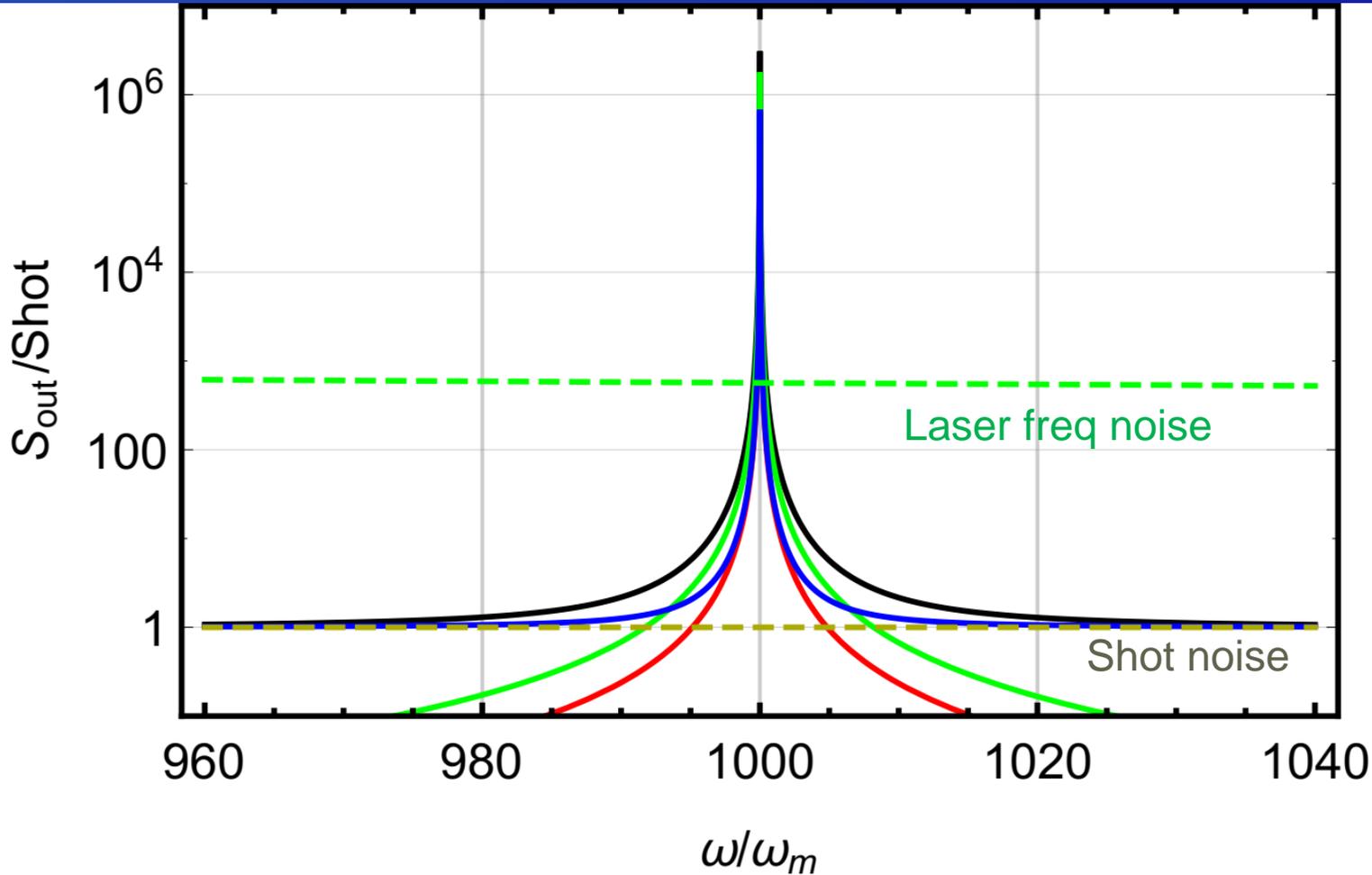
R=200 nm SiO₂
T=0.3 K

P_{abs}=3E-15 W
T_{eff}=24 K

Alternative solutions

- 1) $P < 1E-12$ mbar will be achieved ? \Rightarrow GET RID OF THERMAL NOISE (FROM GAS)
- 2) GET RID OF LIGHT

Spectrum (cavity)



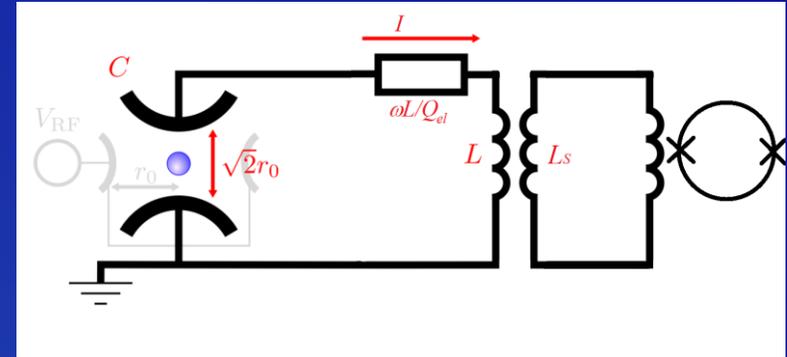
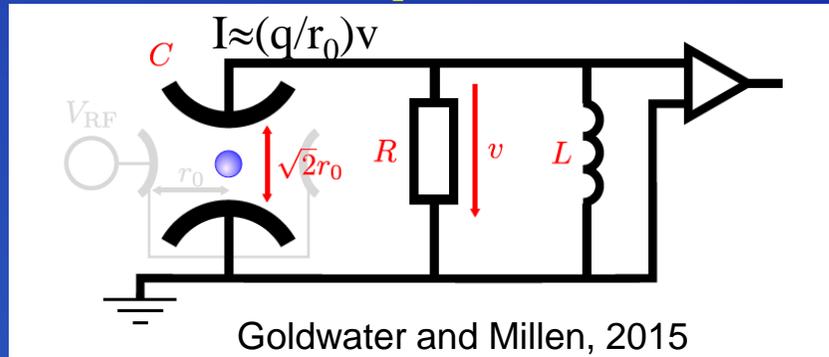
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T=0.3 K
P=5E-13 mbar

P_{in}=10 uW
P_{abs}=3E-15 W
T_{eff}=24 K

SIMILAR FIGURES FOR OPTICAL TWEEZER (PARABOLOID MIRROR):
WORK IN PROGRESS

Electrical readout (+ SQUID)

Paul trap + electrical + SQUID readout

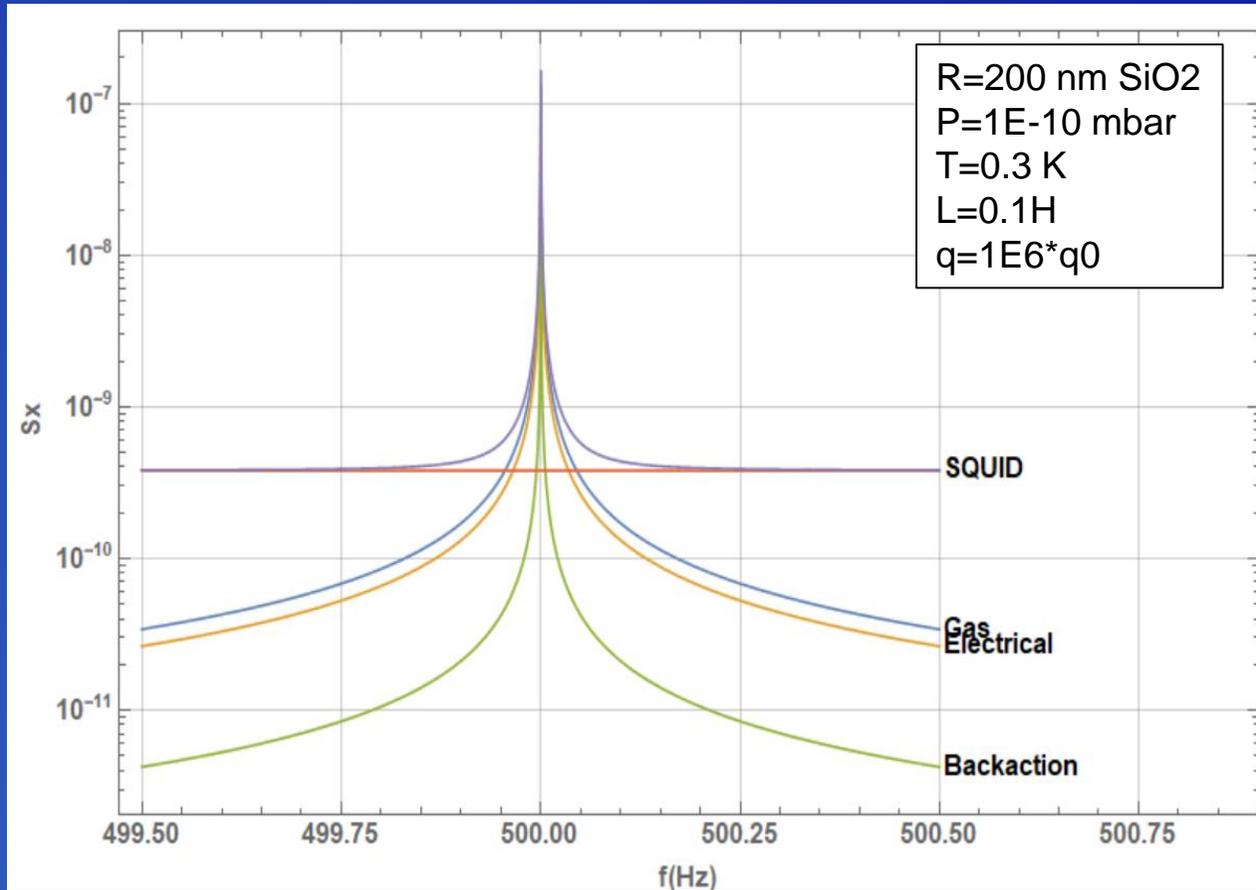


Advantages:

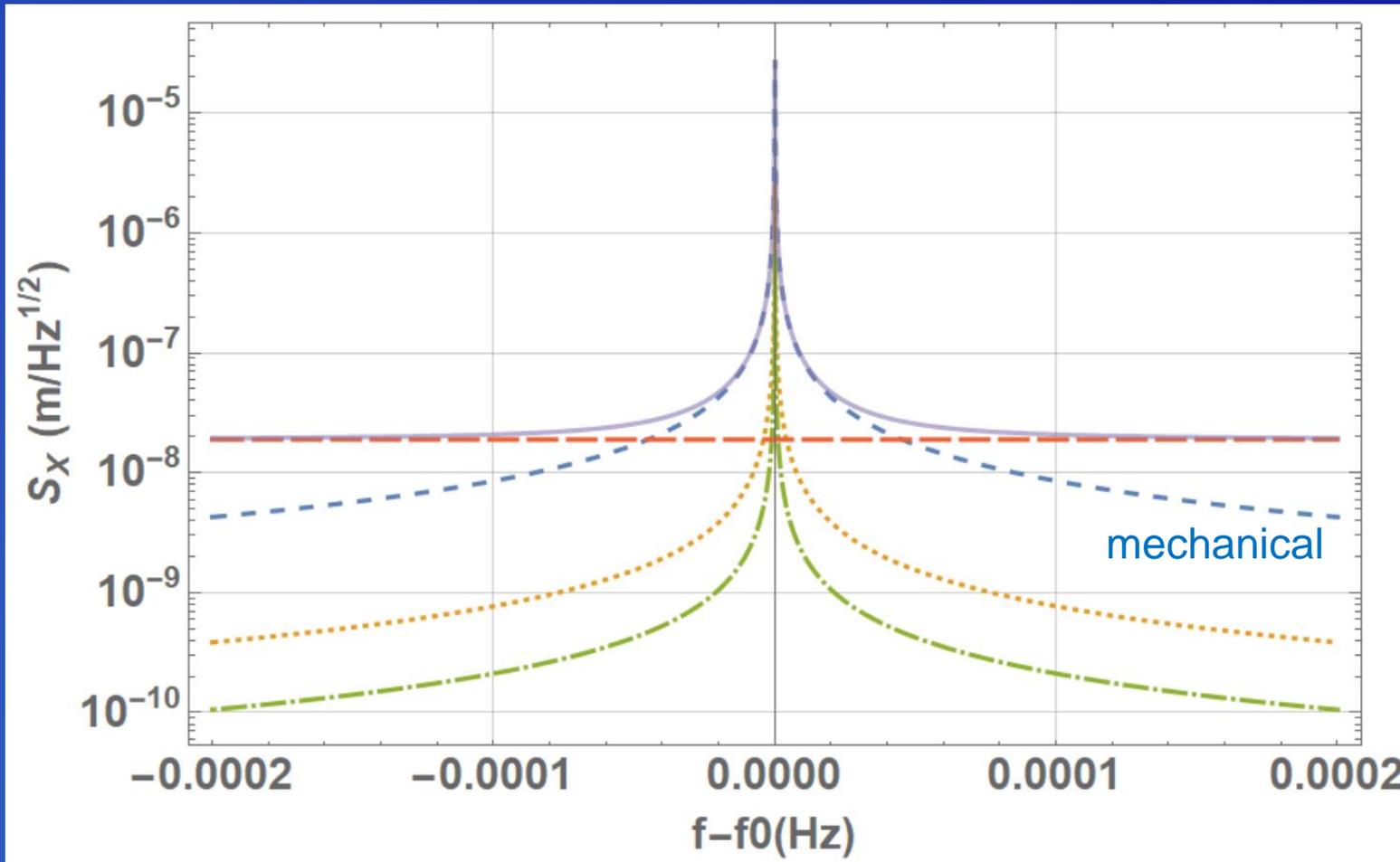
- no laser, no power dissipation
- electrical circuit = cold environment
- Can use particle of any material

Issues:

- Handle big ac bias signal
- Low coupling, need large charge (1E5-1E6 q_0)
- Need big coil (L=0.1-1H)



More realistic charge (1000 e)



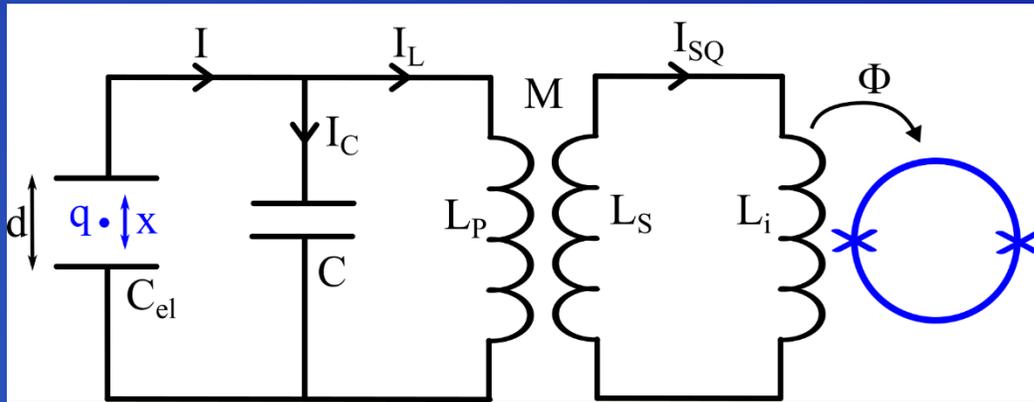
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T=0.3 K
L=10 H
q=1E3*q₀
f₀=1 kHz

ULTRANARROW BANDWIDTH (= very long integration time, **require high stability !!**)

BUT **ULTRALOW FORCE NOISE**: $\lambda < 1\text{E-}13$ Hz @ $r_c = 1\text{E-}7$ m !!!

$\lambda < 1\text{E-}15$ Hz using an osmium particle ...

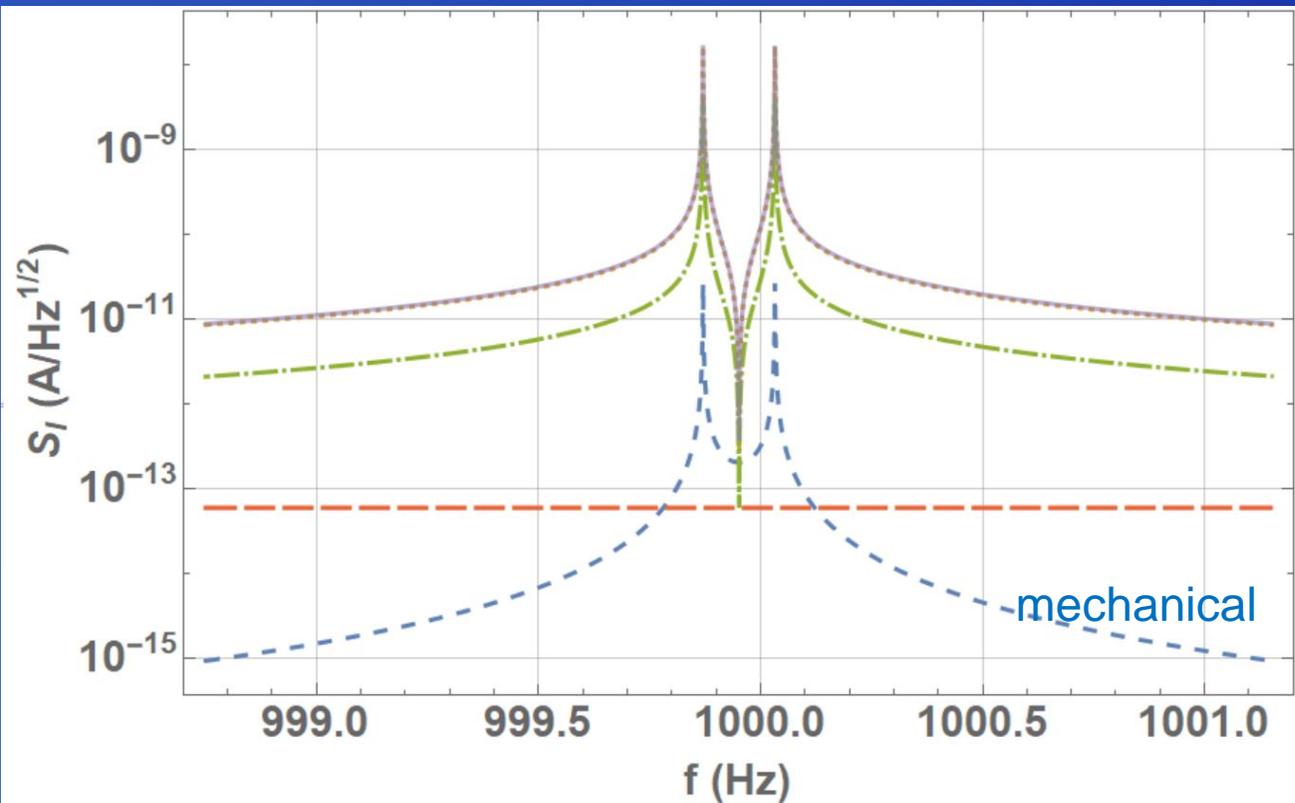
Use a LC to increase coupling



- 1) Mechanical and LC modes hybridize !
- 2) However: LC thermal noise (Q) is much worse than mechanical !

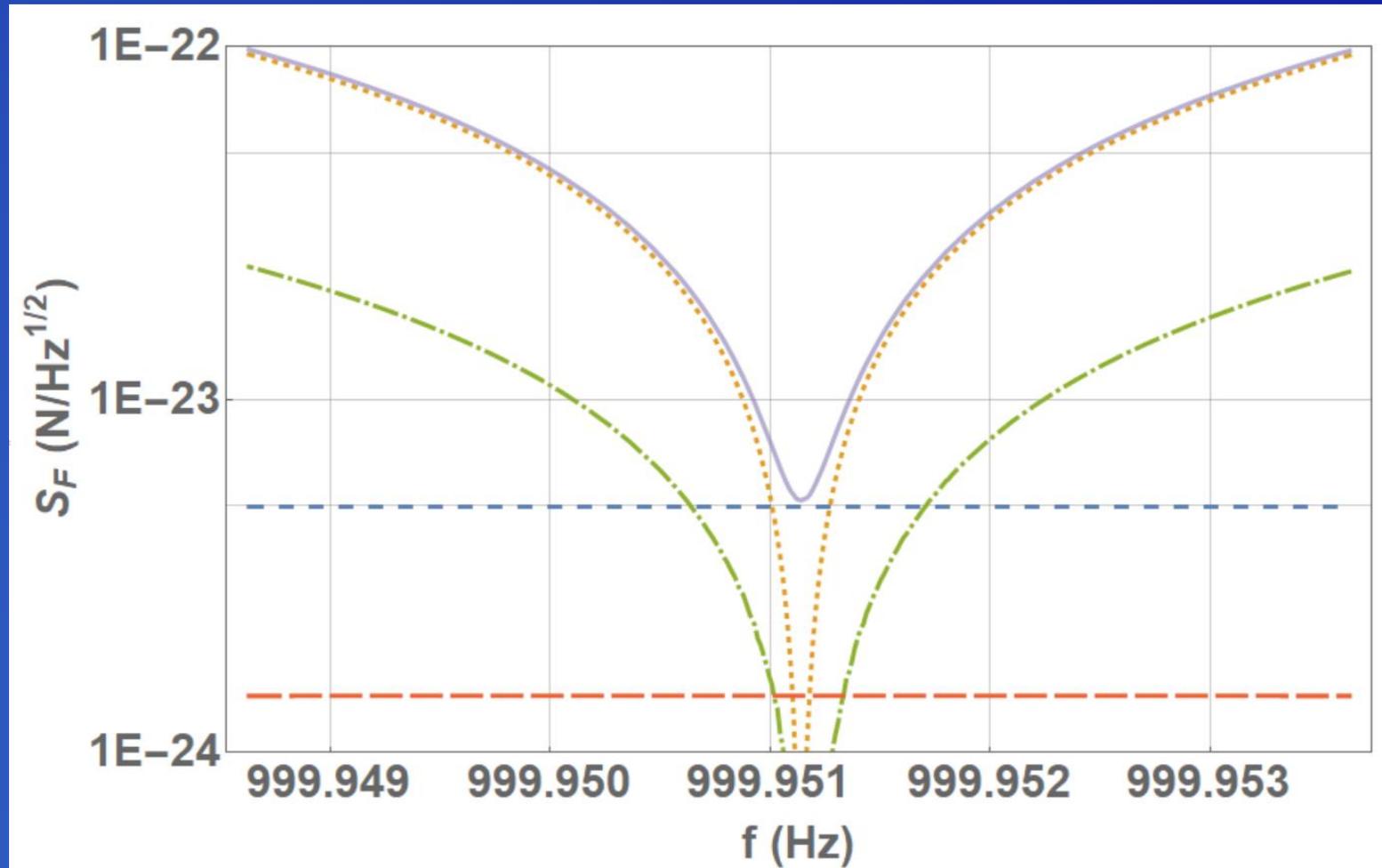


Good coupling:
(can see very well the particle)
BUT
Very bad force noise !



R=200 nm SiO2
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T=0.3 K
L=10 H
q=1E3*q0
f0=1 kHz

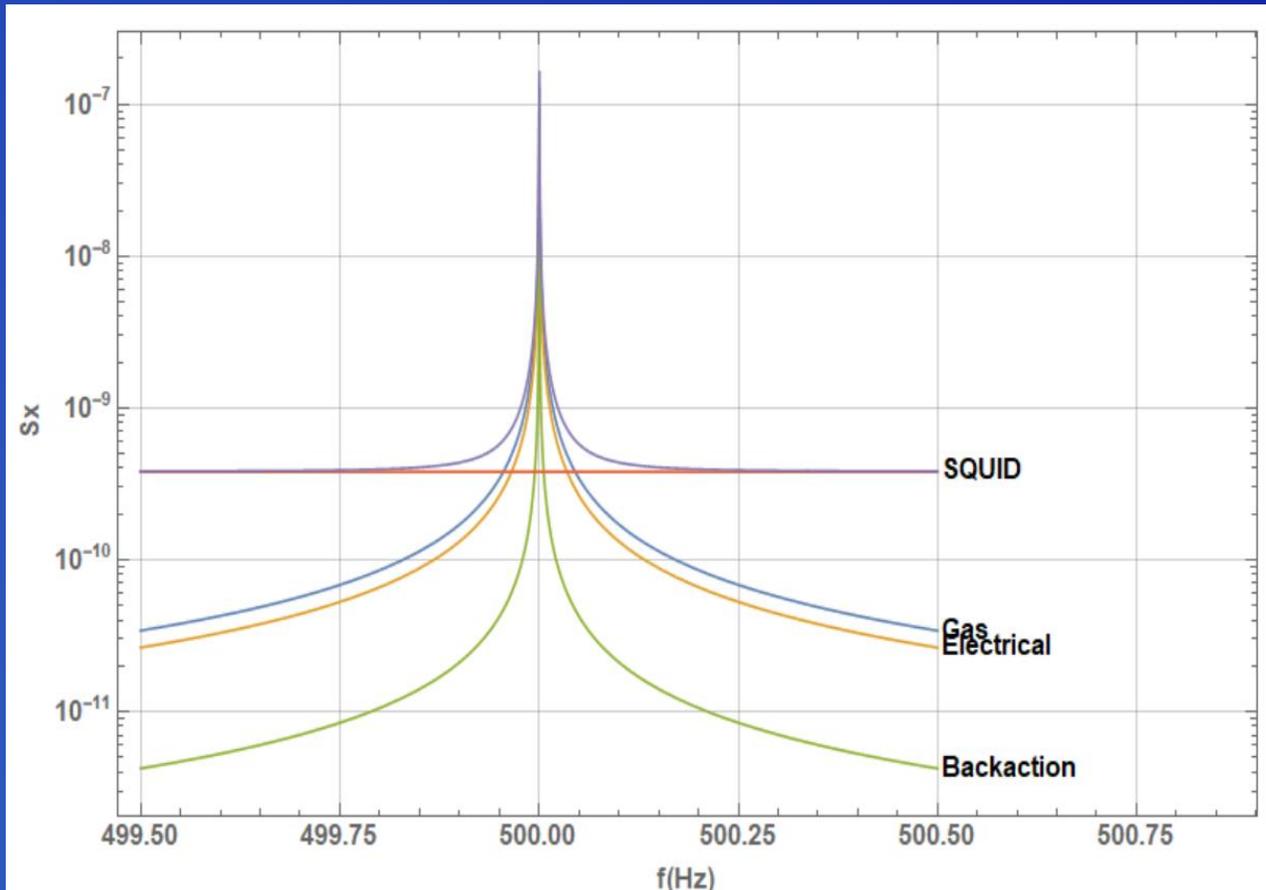
Mechanical noise is still dominant over a very narrow bandwidth!



	Optical	Electrical + SQUID
+	<p>Very good position sensitivity (possibly close to SQL).</p> <p>Very flexible: can change parameters, coupling, alignment, play with other modes</p>	<p>No heating: potentially achieves a better force noise (lower T)</p> <p>Can work with any materials (osmium...) \Rightarrow x100 more sensitive to CSL</p>
-	<p>Internal heating \Rightarrow higher thermal noise (\Rightarrow need very low pressure $< 1E-13$ mbar)</p> <p>Need very specific materials (silica= low ρ) Limit for CSL experiments</p> <p>May be hard to work at low frequency (cavity locking, frequency noise)</p>	<p>Coupling scales with charge. Needs at least $1E3$ e !</p> <p>Not very flexible (Cannot change coupling on-site)</p> <p>Needs a bulky superconducting coil ($L \sim 1$ H)</p> <p>Likely very sensitive to crosstalk from bias ac lines</p>

Continuous vs Stroboscopic

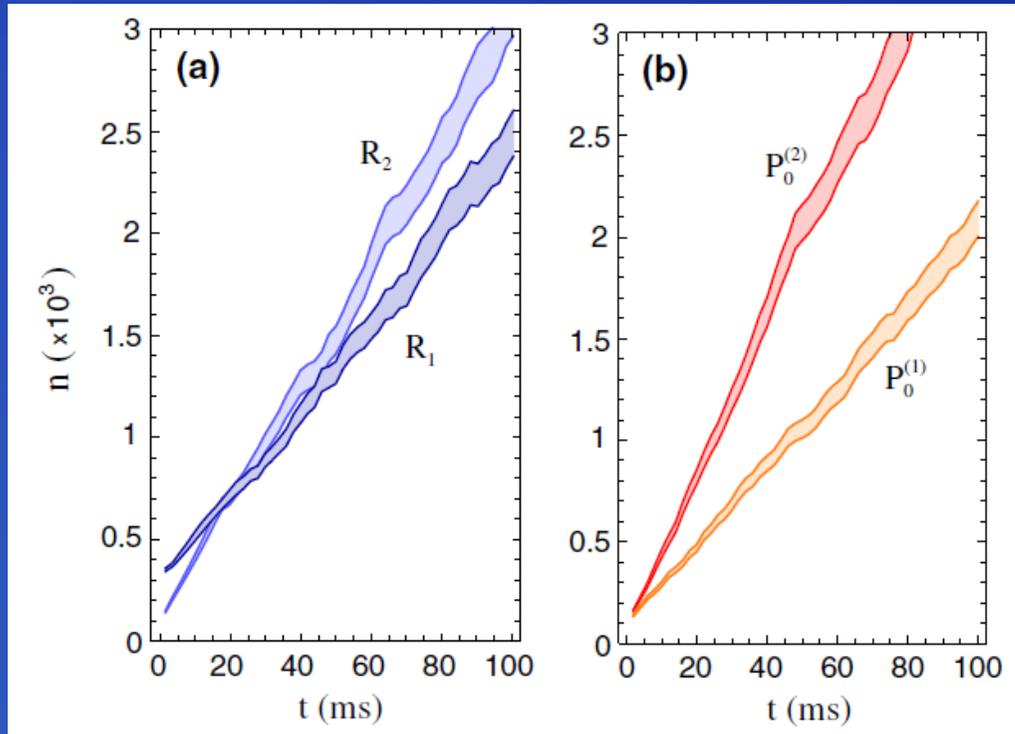
Continuous measurement (CM)



Relevant parameters:

- 1) **Total force noise** (Amplitude of Lorentzian peak) \Rightarrow **Minimum detectable CSL force noise**
- 2) **Bandwidth** over which mechanical noise overcomes detection noise \Rightarrow **Measurement time**

Stroboscopic measurement (SM) (assume detection off during reheating)



Relevant parameters:

- 1) Reheating power rate \Rightarrow Minimum detectable CSL force noise
- 2) Natural time constant \Rightarrow Measurement time

Ideally:

SM has the advantage that you can turn off measurement during reheating (Evade BACK-ACTION & RECOIL)

But, in CM you can always (ideally) reduce at will the measurement back-action, at the expense of longer measurement time.

It turns out that the **time required to resolve a given force noise** is roughly the same !

In Real Life:

Many practical differences between the two implementations !
(CM requires long term stability, SM requires dealing with transients)

WHAT IS BETTER?

Open issues

1) Cryostat: what **pressure P** can we reach? (Crucial for optics)

2) Paul trap: **how stable can the trap parameters be**, upon micromotion compensation?

Very important for any continuous optical measurement (Hz bandwidth)
Crucial for a SQUID readout (<mHz bandwidth !!).

3) Optical case: are the general requirements worked out by Antonio realistic? (stability of the trap + vibrational noise + feedback cooling + compensation of scattering force).

4) SQUID option: is there a way to implement an electrical readout in the trap under design? **Voltage cross-talk** from the ac bias electrodes?

Maximum charge-on-particle we can realistically expect?

Other **materials**?

5) Do we really want to go for a **stroboscopic scheme**, or better leave this as a later option and consider initially only a **continuous scheme** (and thus optimize for it)?

Quantum Superposition of Massive Objects and the Quantization of Gravity

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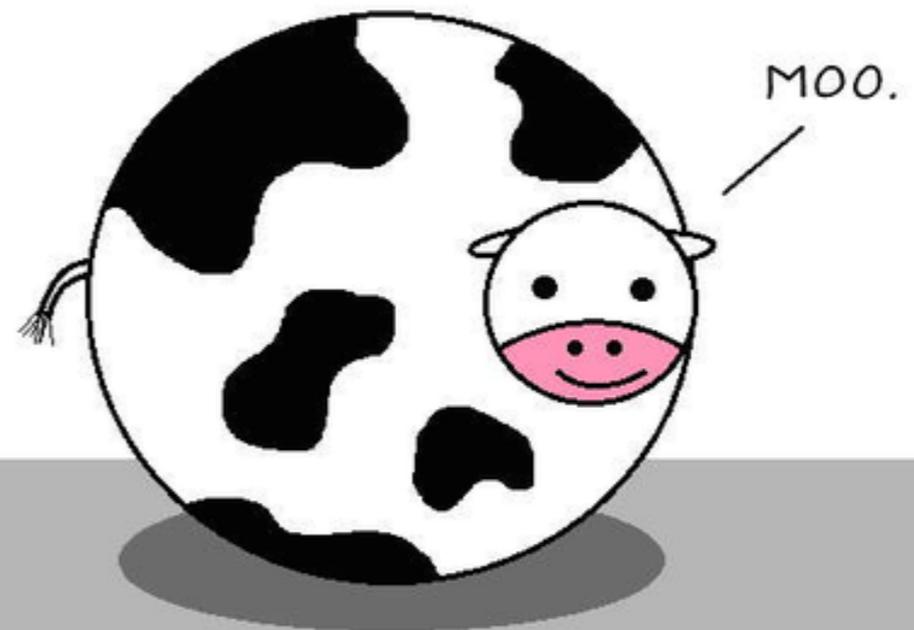
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Assume a spherical cow of uniform density.



A simple question*

Is gravity quantum as the other fundamental forces?

On Gravity's Role in Quantum State Reduction

Roger Penrose^{1,2}

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Hybrid classical-quantum dynamics

Asher Peres* and Daniel R. Terno†

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Spin Entanglement Witness for Quantum Gravity

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Mauro Paternostro,⁵ Andrew A. Geraci,⁶ Peter F. Barker,¹ M. S. Kim,⁷ and Gerard Milburn^{7,8}

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Probing a gravitational cat state

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Is Gravity Quantum?

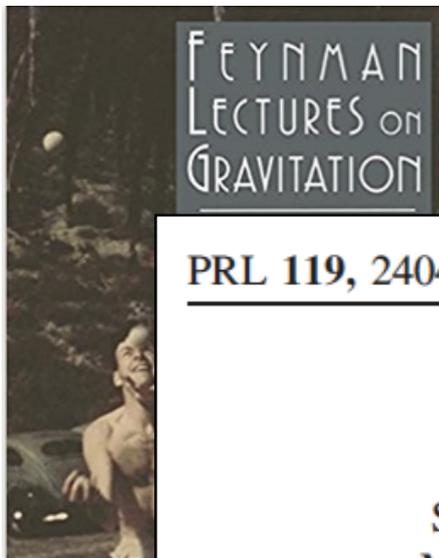
M. Bahrami,^{1,2} A. Bassi,^{1,2} S. McMillen,³ M. Paternostro,³ and H. Ulbricht⁴

When Cavendish meets Feynman: A quantum torsion balance for testing the quantumness of gravity

Matteo Carlesso,^{1,2,*} Mauro Paternostro,^{3,4} Hendrik Ulbricht,⁵ and

Two-slit diffraction with highly charged particles: Niels Bohr's consistency argument that the electromagnetic field must be quantized

Gordon Baym¹ and Tomoki Ozawa



Superposition of Massive Objects and Quantumness of Gravity

Q1: Can we argue that gravity ought to be quantum?

A1: Yes if we assume known physics to hold

Q2: How general is the argument?

A2: In order to avoid inconsistencies with known physics gravity must be quantum.....however the last word is left to experiments

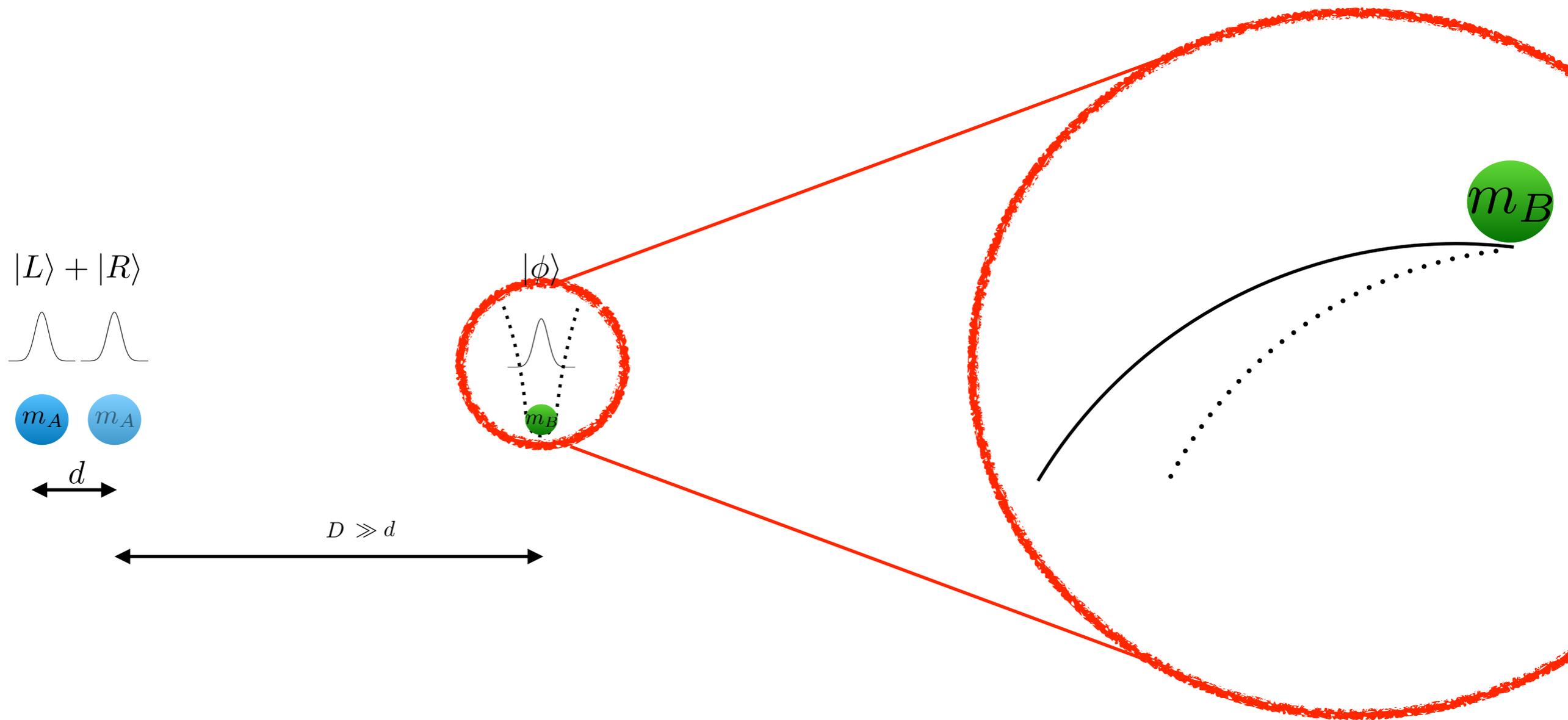
Take at home message:

A consistent picture for entanglement of massive objects through gravity necessarily requires (linearized) gravity to be quantum

Quantum superposition of Massive Objects and the Quantization of Gravity
AB, R. Wald, F. Giacomini, E. Castro-Ruiz, C. Brukner and M. Aspelmeyer
ArXiv: 1807.07015

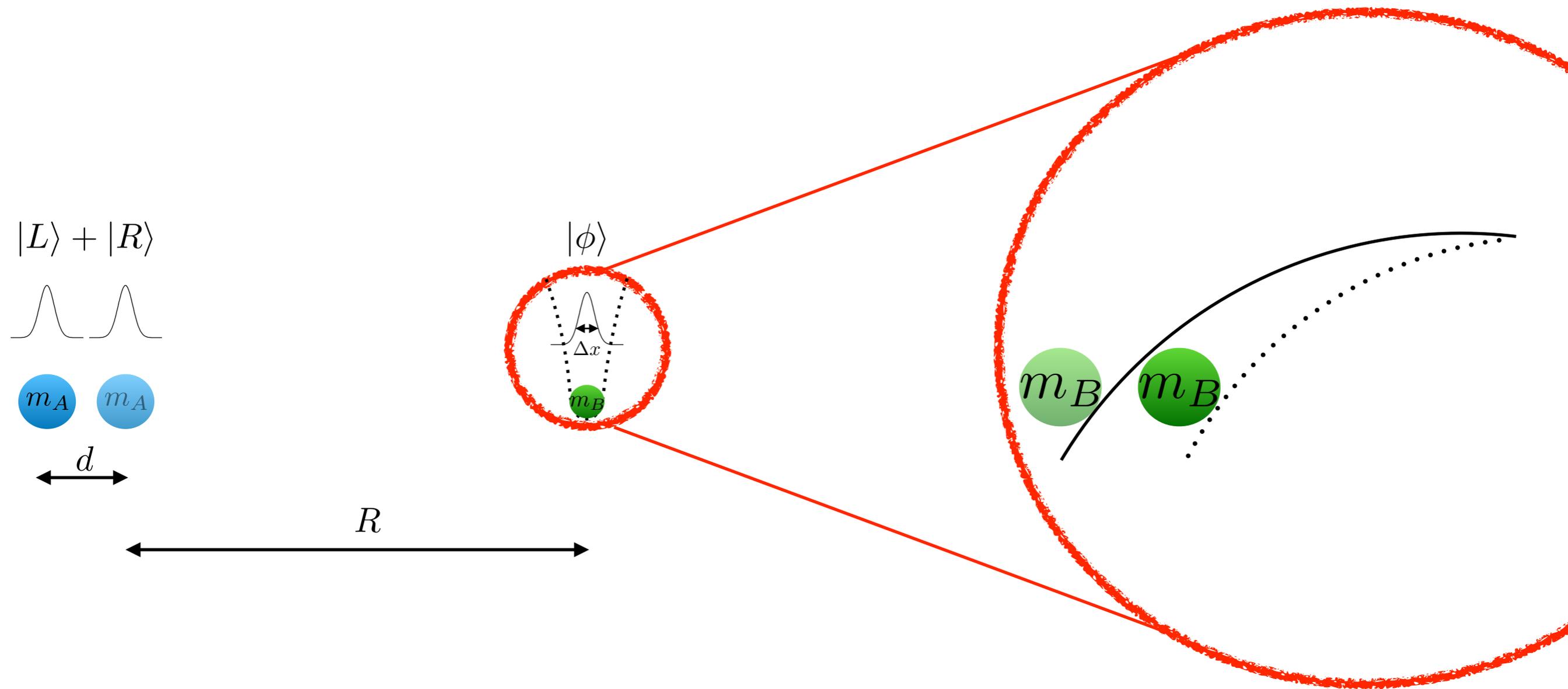
1.A Gedankenexperiment

A gedankenexperiment:



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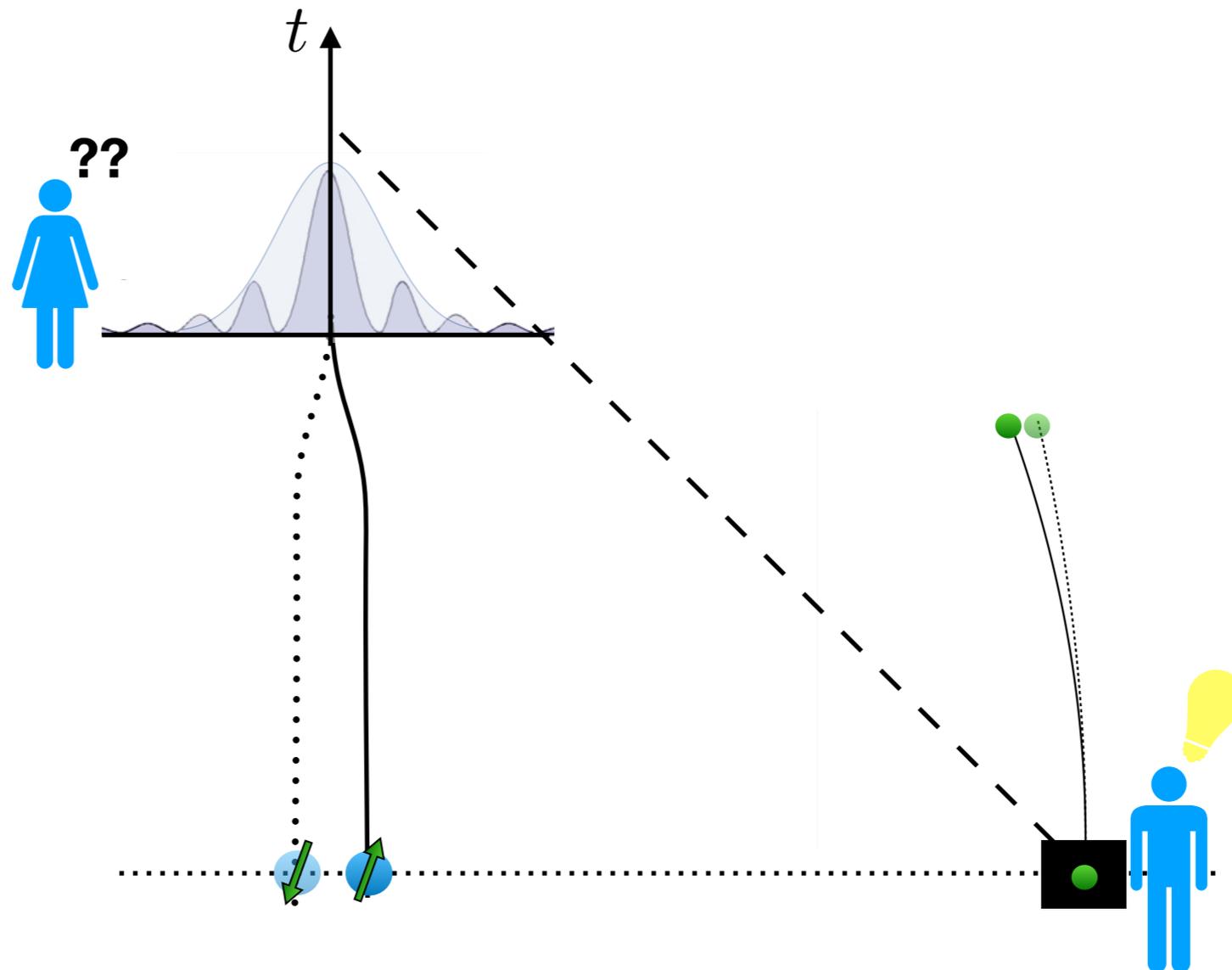
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$$(|L\rangle|\uparrow\rangle + |R\rangle|\downarrow\rangle) \otimes |\phi_B\rangle \rightarrow |L\rangle|\uparrow\rangle|\phi_B^L\rangle + |R\rangle|\downarrow\rangle|\phi_B^R\rangle$$

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- Implicit assumption: the gravitational/Coulomb potential can entangle the two particles
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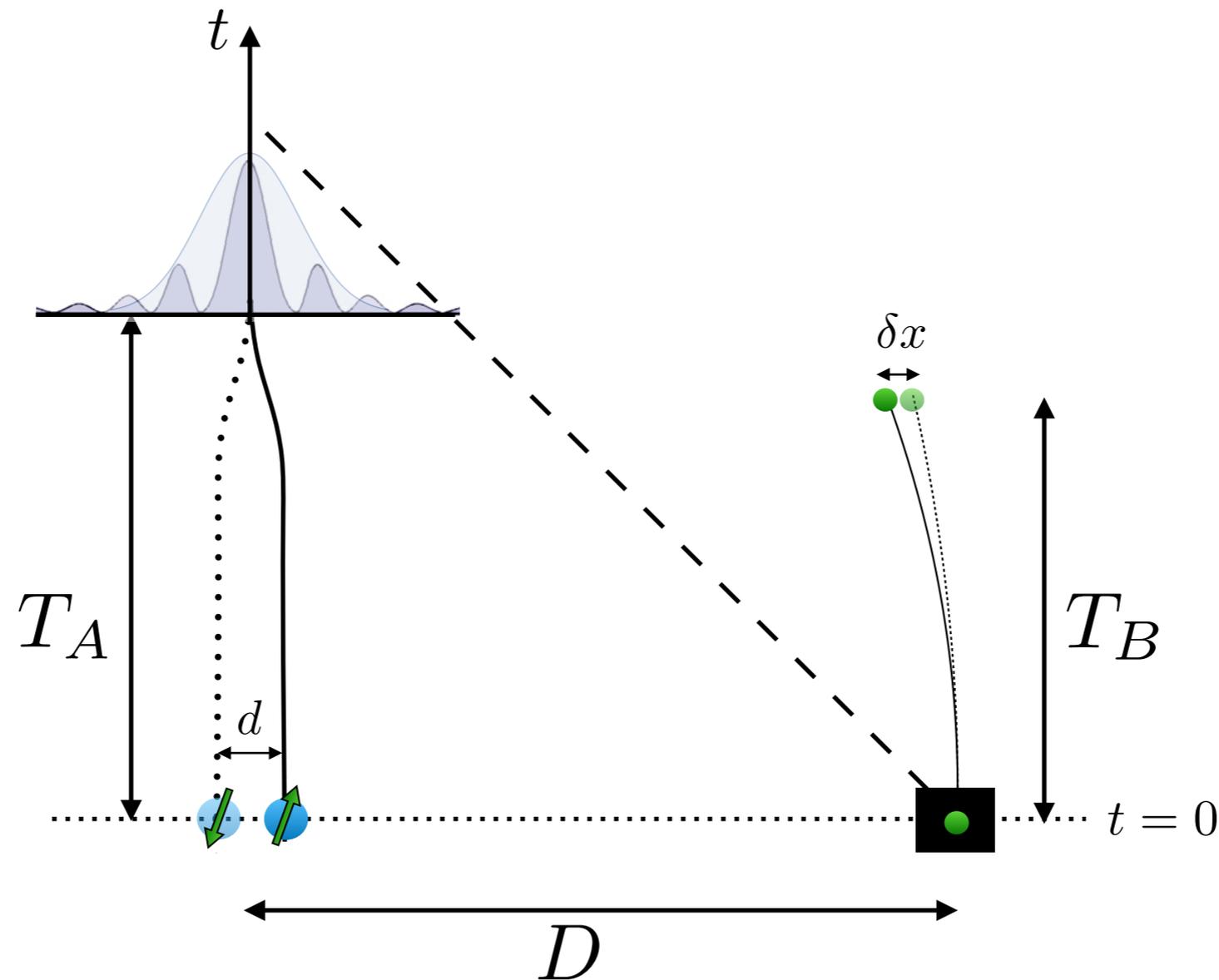
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$$T_A, T_B < D$$





Causality:

If the two particles get entangled, Alice can discover what Bob did in a time less than the light-crossing time



Complementarity:

If we assume a priori that causality has to be respected, we find ourselves in trouble with complementarity of quantum mechanics



2. EM case revisited

Quantum Vacuum Fluctuations

Limit* on charge localization due to fluctuations of the Electric field: $\Delta x \sim q/m$

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Quantized E.M. radiation

Effective (or fictitious) electric dipole moment of Alice superposition $\mathcal{D}_A = q_A d$

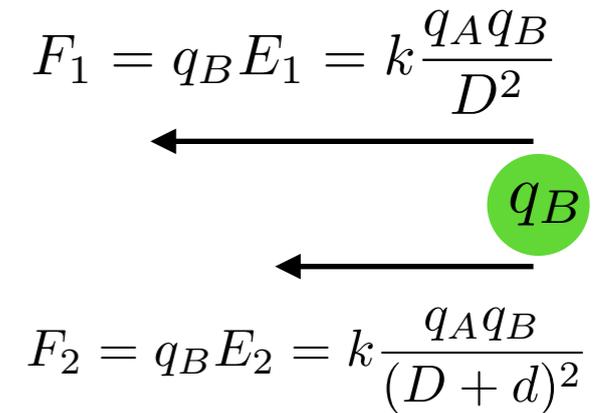
When Alice perform the interferometric experiment the dipole will reduced to zero in time T_A and radiation is emitted by the accelerated trajectory(ies)

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$$\delta x \sim \frac{q_B}{m_B} \frac{\mathcal{D}_A}{D^3} T_B^2$$



$$\frac{\mathcal{D}_A}{D^3} T_B^2 > 1^*$$

* reintroducing some constant we would have $\mathcal{D}_A T_B^2 / D^3 > 1/c^2$

Quantized E.M. radiation

(Estimate of the) energy radiated by Alice fictitious dipole

$$\mathcal{E} \sim \left(\frac{\mathcal{D}_A}{T_A^2} \right)^2 T_A$$

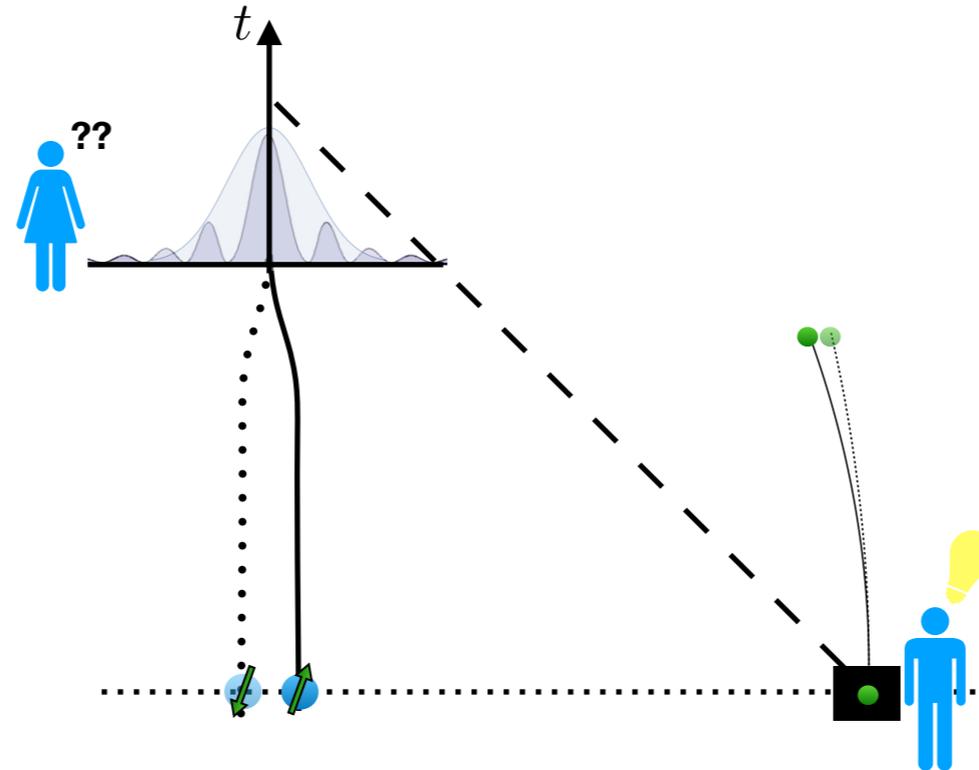
The degree of decoherence due to radiation can be estimated by requiring that no photon with characteristic frequency $1/T_A$ is emitted by the fictitious dipole *

$$\mathcal{D}_A < T_A$$

* A more detailed treatment can be obtained by looking at the overlap of the coherent states produced by the classical currents corresponding to the paths in the interferometer. This has been extensively studied and leads to the same result.

RESOLUTION OF THE “APPARENT” PARADOXES

$$T_A, T_B < D$$



If $\mathcal{D}_A < T_A$

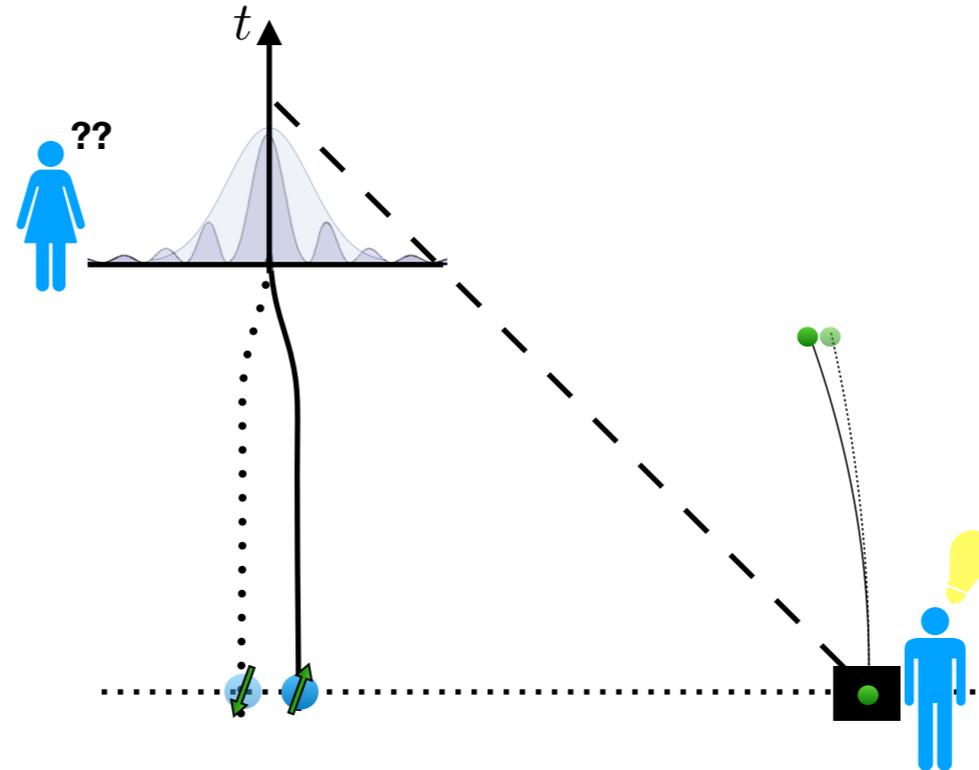
No entangling radiation from Alice

+

$$\frac{\mathcal{D}_A}{D^3} T_B^2 < 1 \quad \text{i.e. no which-path info for Bob}$$

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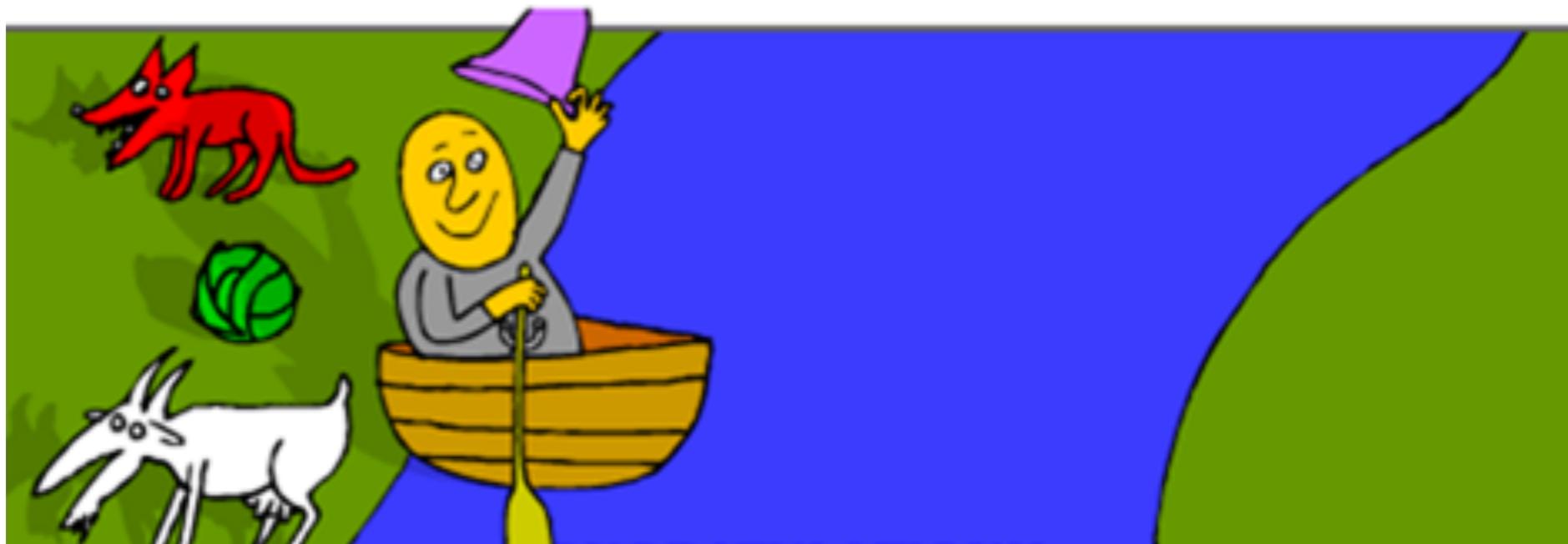
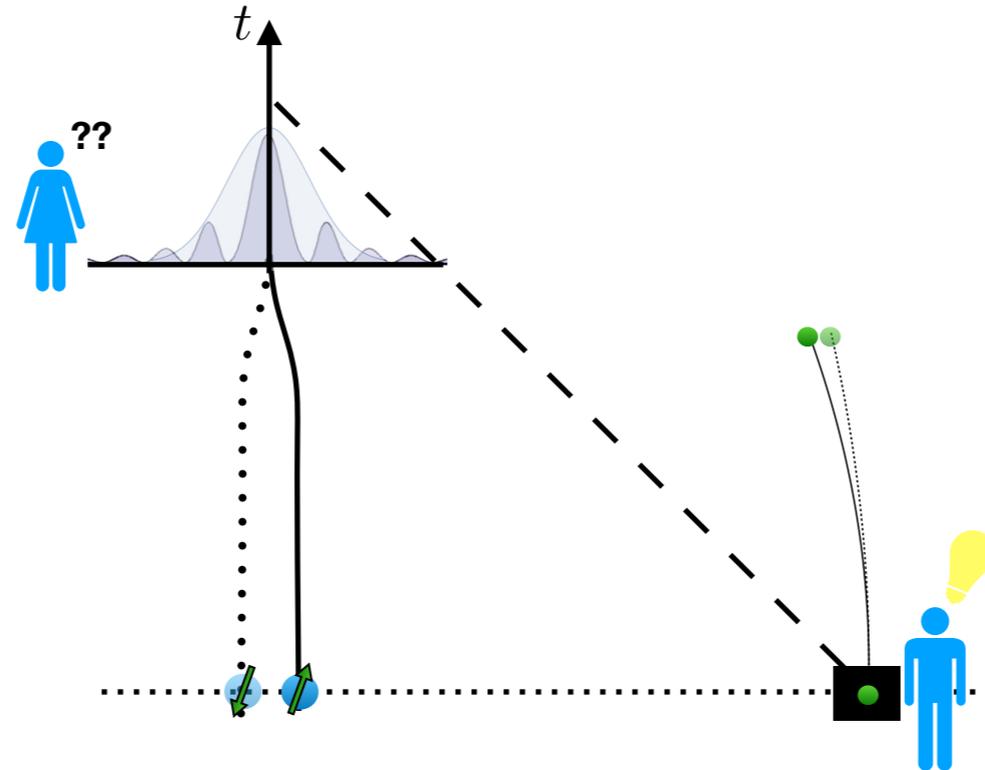
If $\mathcal{D}_A > T_A$

Alice gets decohered by radiation

Bob in this case can be able to acquire which-path information without any contradiction with complementarity

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3. Gravitational case

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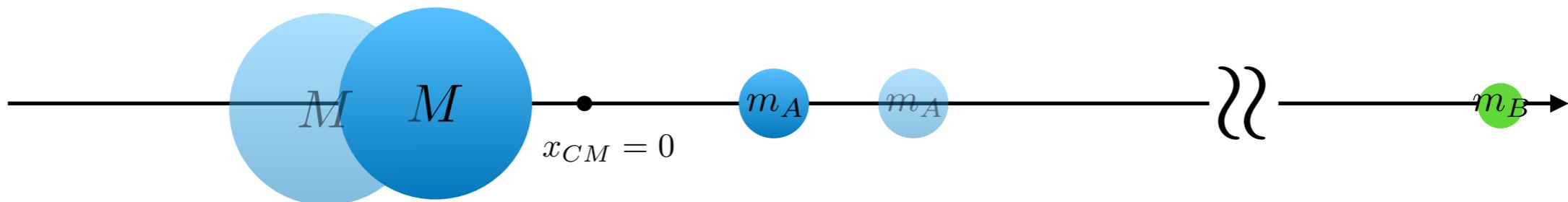
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Conservation of the center of mass:



$$\mathcal{D}_A^{\text{grav.}} = 0$$

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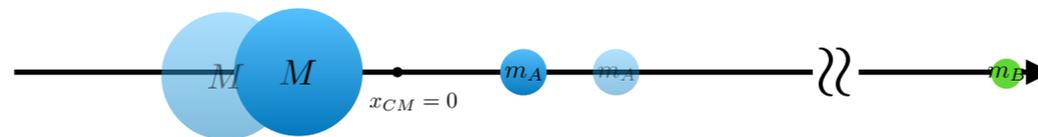
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$$\delta x_B \sim \frac{Q_A^{(n)}}{D^{n+2}} T_B^2 > 1$$



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Quantized gravitational radiation

(Estimate of the) energy radiated by Alice fictitious n-pole

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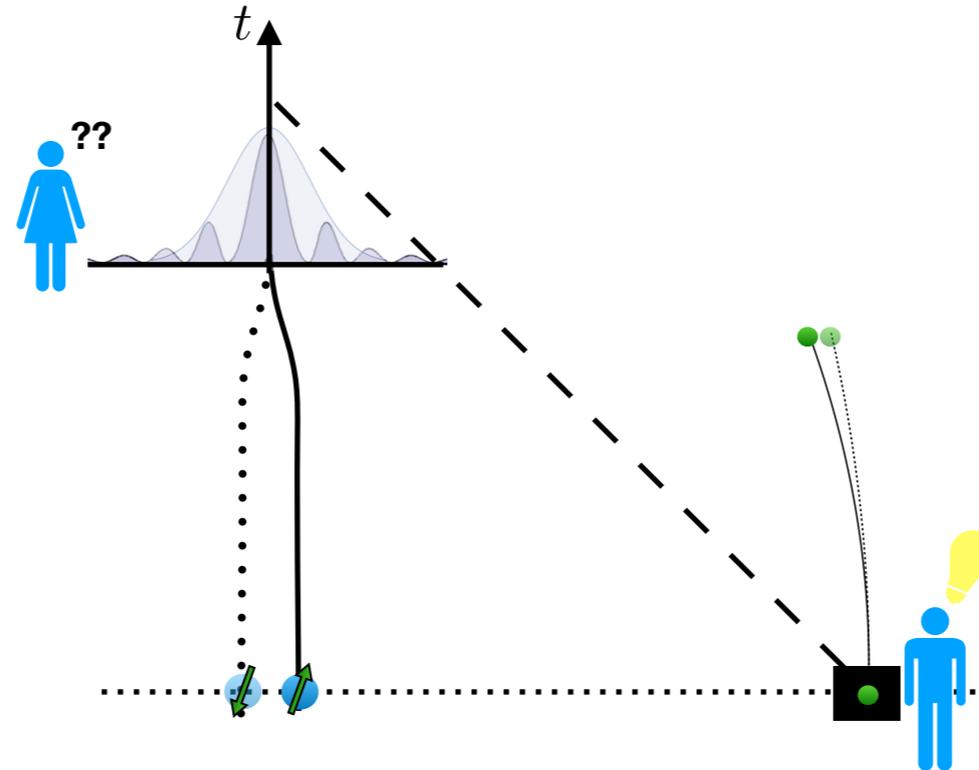
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Conclusions

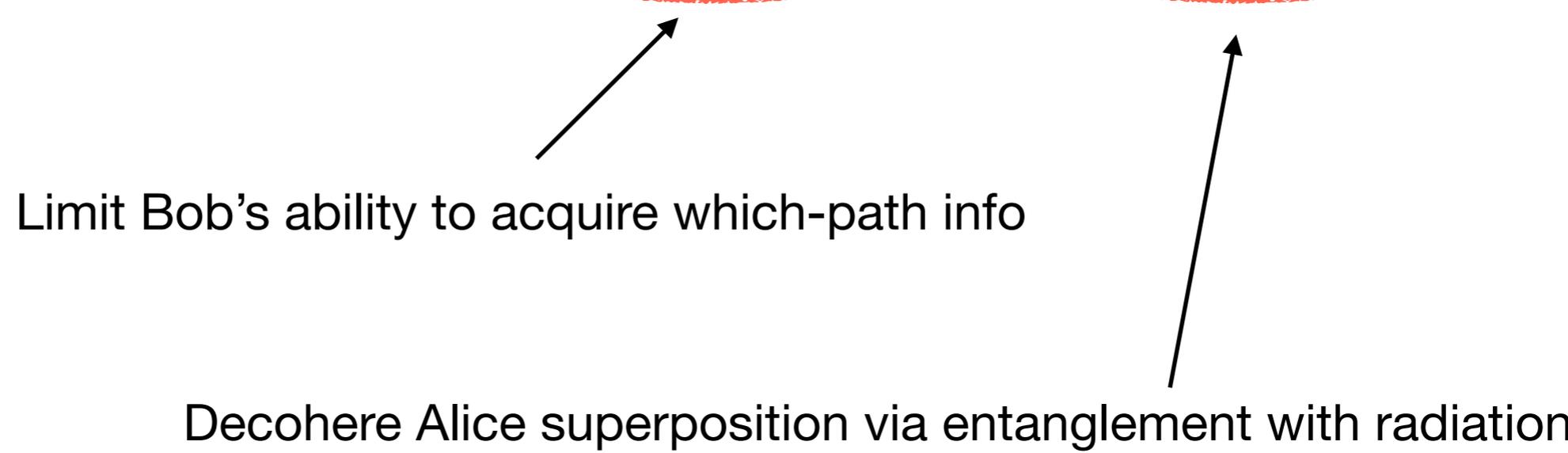
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Limit Bob's ability to acquire which-path info

The diagram consists of two arrows pointing upwards from explanatory text to circled terms in the list above. The first arrow points from the text 'Limit Bob's ability to acquire which-path info' to the circled term 'vacuum fluctuations'. The second arrow points from the text 'Decohere Alice superposition via entanglement with radiation' to the circled term 'quantized radiation'.

Decohere Alice superposition via entanglement with radiation

By treating the (linearized) gravitational field [or the e.m. field] as a quantum field a consistent analysis of the gedankenexperiment is obtained

