

# Quantum optical control of mechanics

Workshop Quantum Foundations

*New frontiers in testing quantum mechanics from underground to the space.*

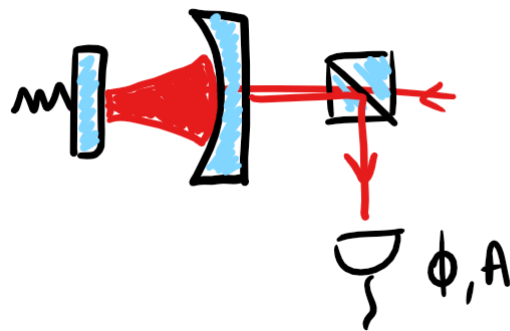
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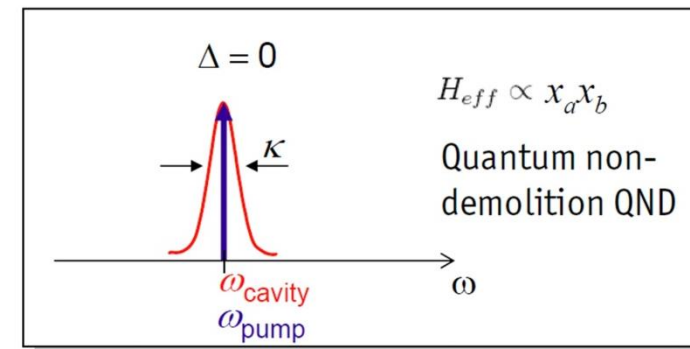
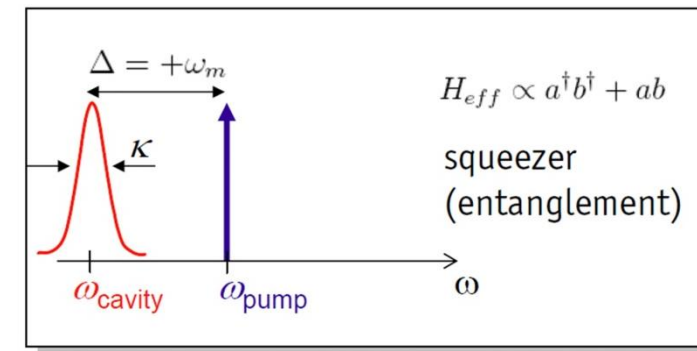
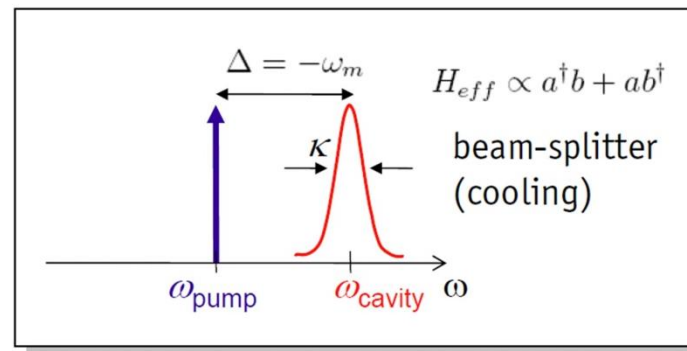
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$$F = \hbar k \frac{\langle \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} \rangle}{\tau_c} = \hbar \frac{\omega_{cav}}{L} \langle \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} \rangle$$



$$\omega_{cav} = \omega_0 + \frac{d\omega}{dx} x$$

$$H = \hbar\omega_{cav}\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a} + \hbar\omega_M\hat{b}^\dagger\hat{b} + \hbar G x_{ZPF}(\hat{a} + \hat{a}^\dagger)(\hat{b} + \hat{b}^\dagger)$$

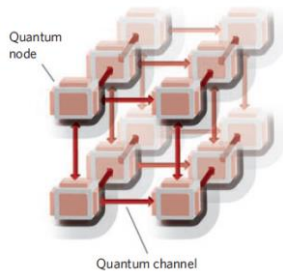


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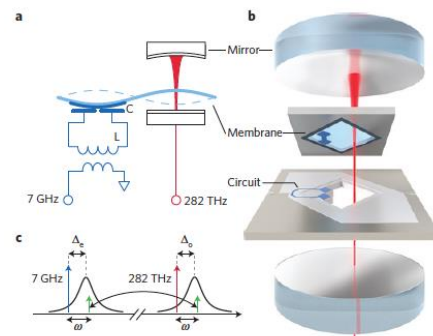
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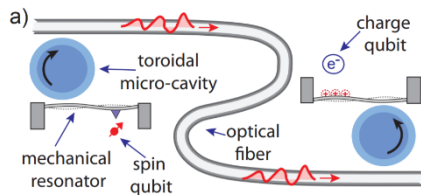
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R.W. Andrews et al, *Nature*, 2014

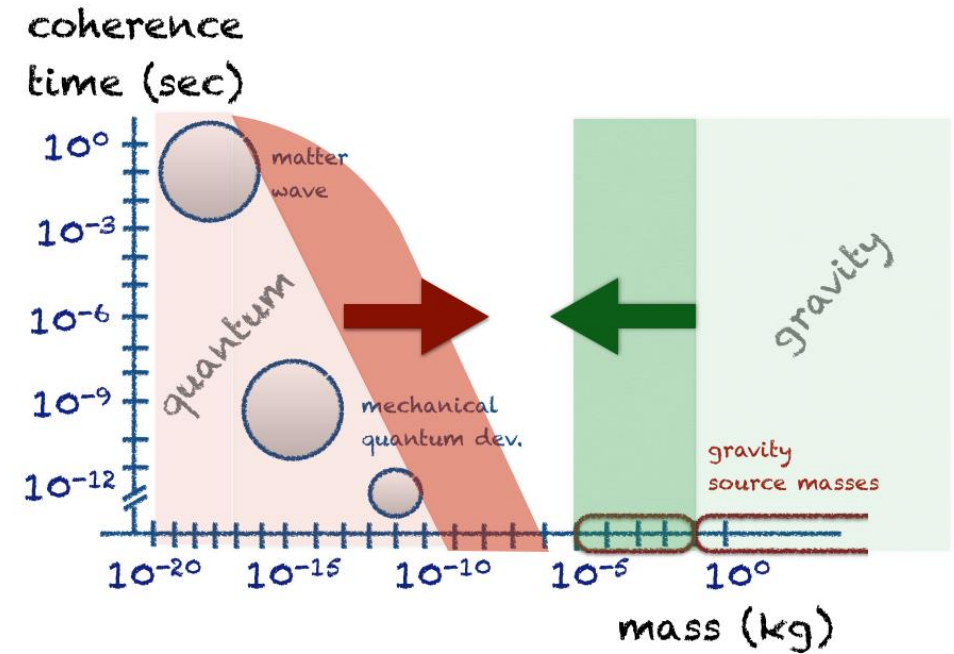


K. Stanniger et al., *PRL* 105, 2010

## FUNDAMENTAL PHYSICS AND METROLOGY

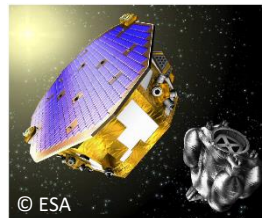


Juffmann et al., *Nature Nanotech.* 7, 297



# experiments in the Aspelmeyer group

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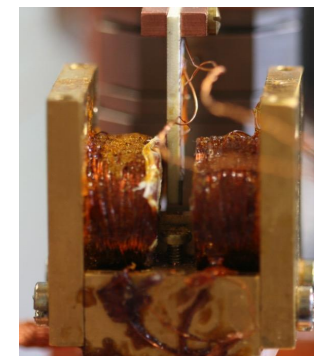


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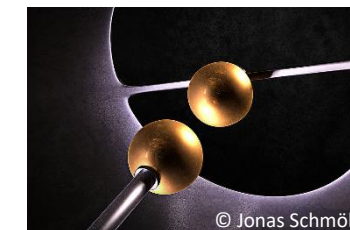
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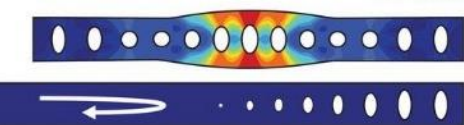
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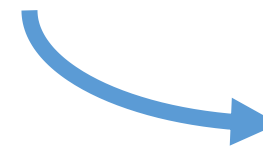
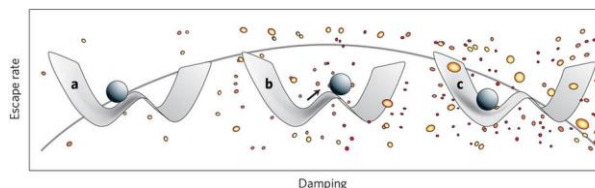
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crystals

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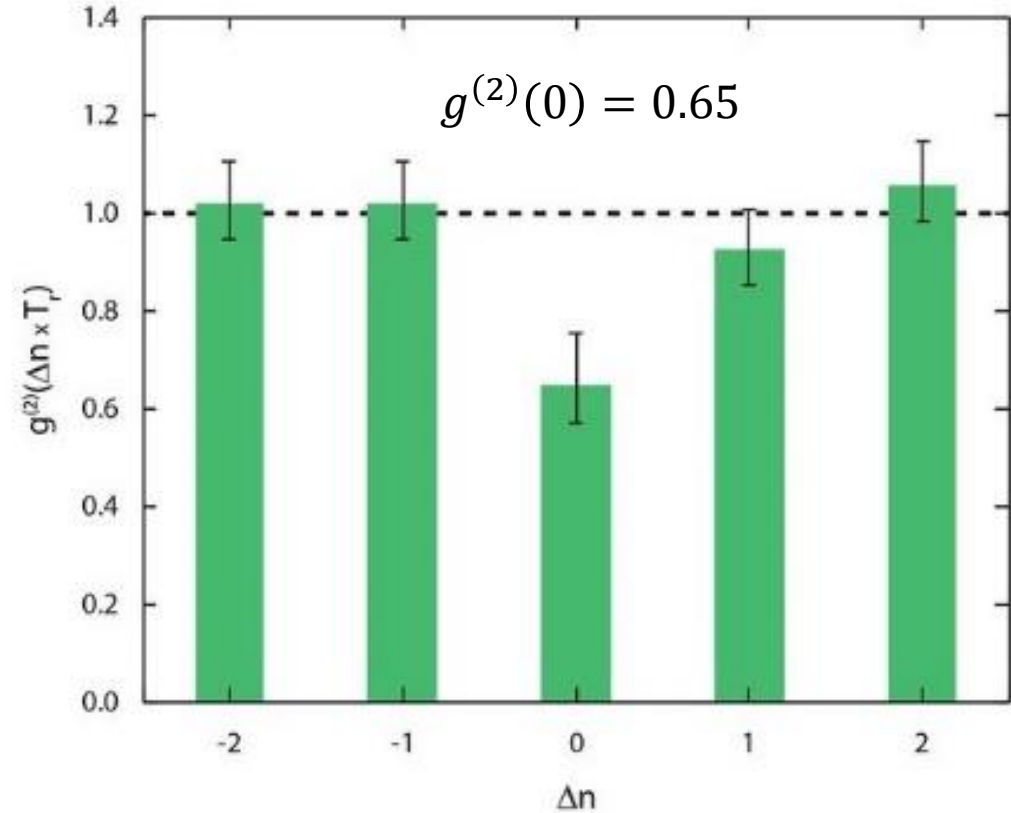
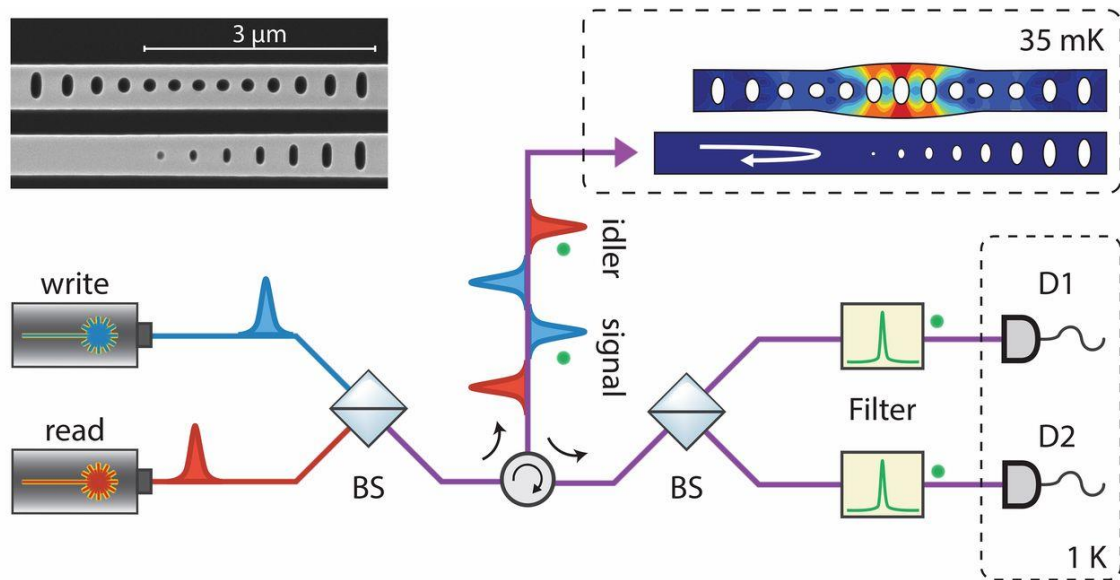


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# photonic-phononic crystals: control of mechanical Fock states



R. Riedinger, ..., M. Aspelmeyer, Nature 2016.

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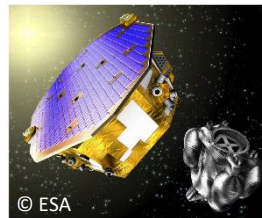
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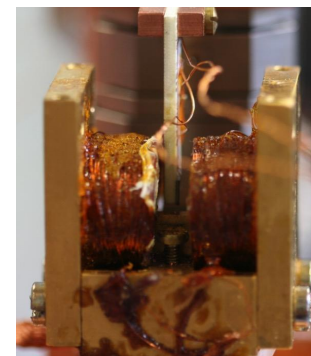


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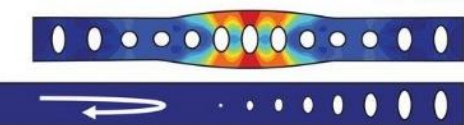
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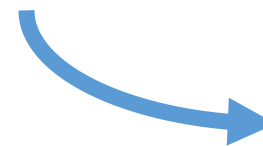
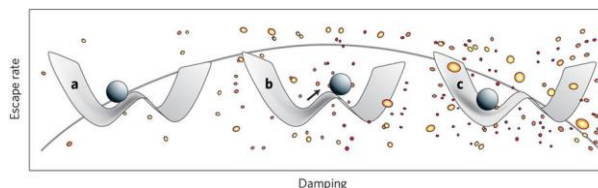
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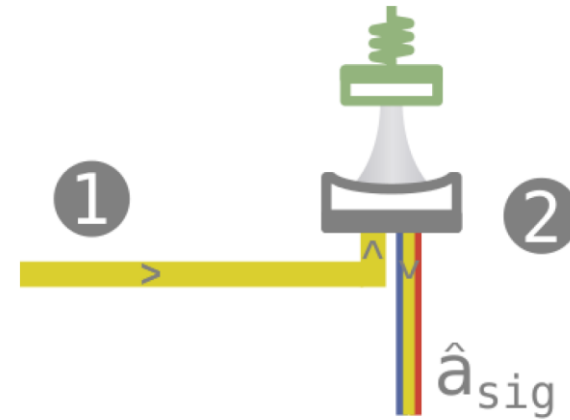
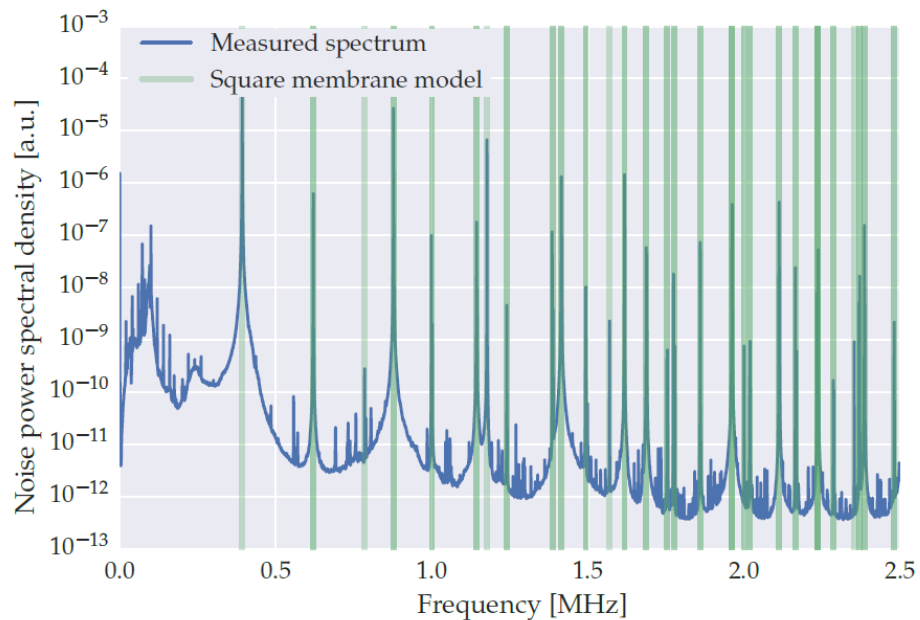
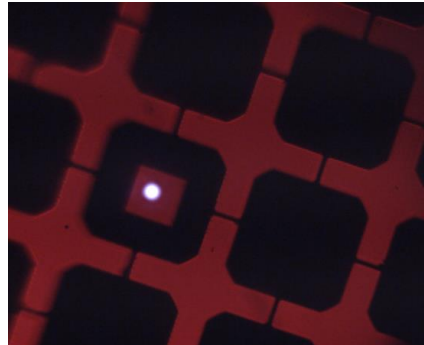
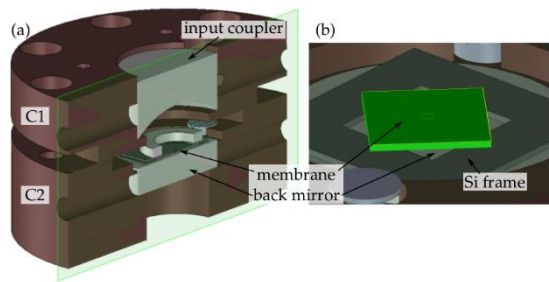


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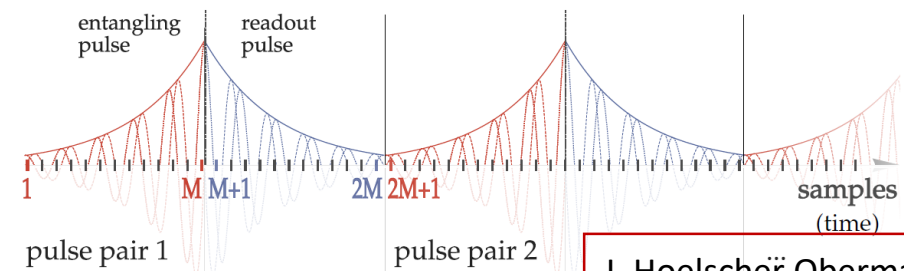
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# membrane optomechanics: chasing entanglement in CW



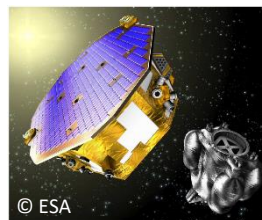
$$H_I = g_0 \alpha (a^\dagger b^\dagger + ab) + g_0 \alpha (a^\dagger b + ab^\dagger)$$



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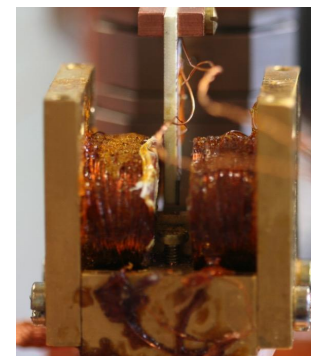


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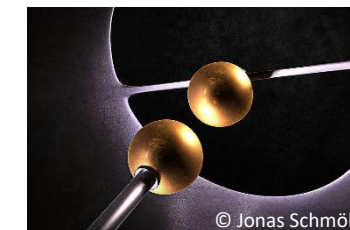
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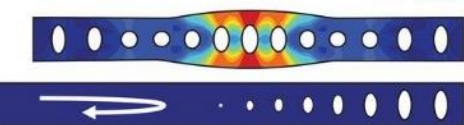
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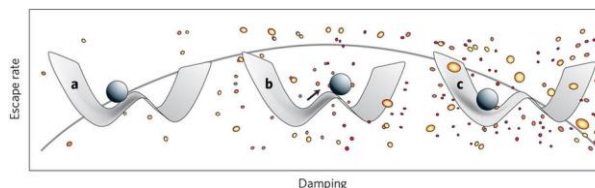
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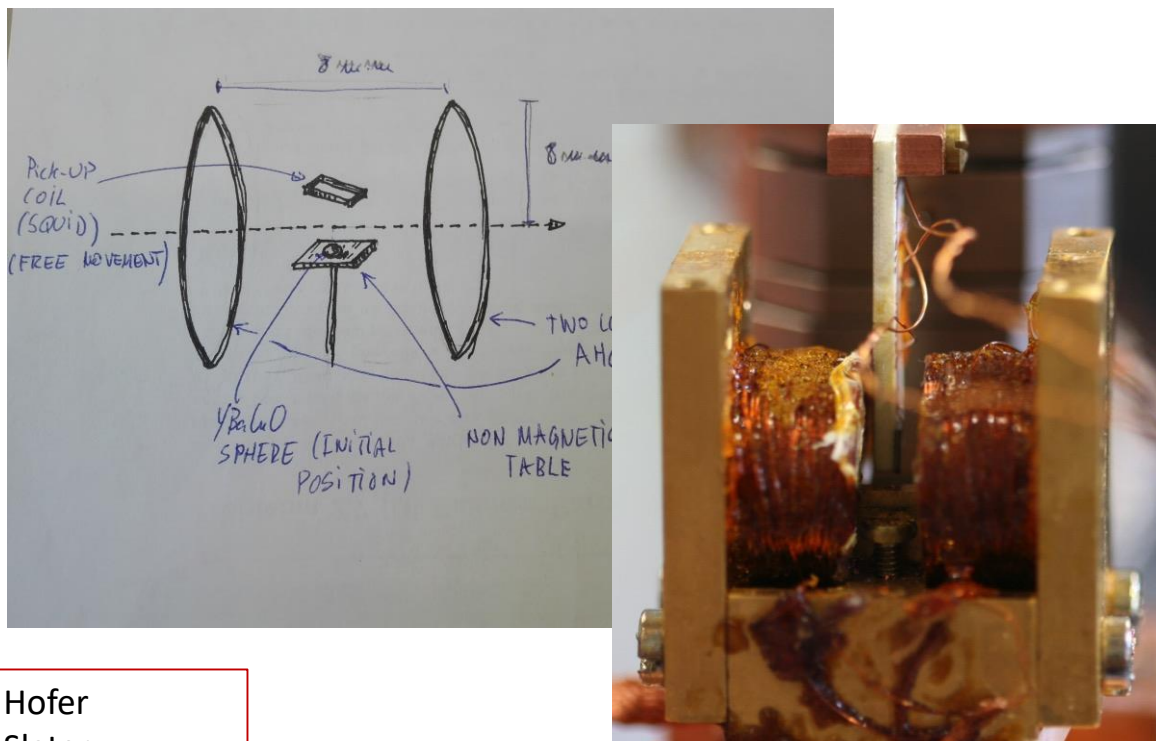


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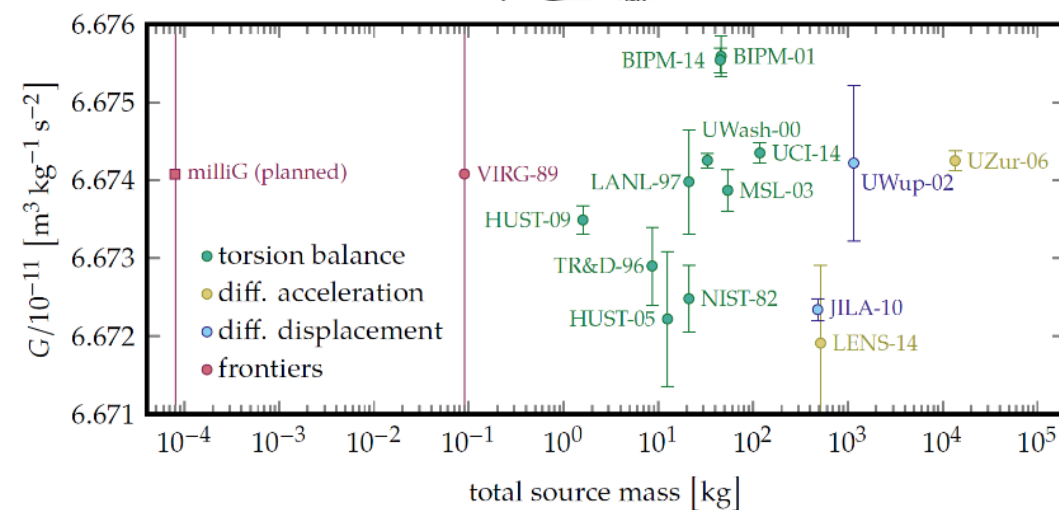
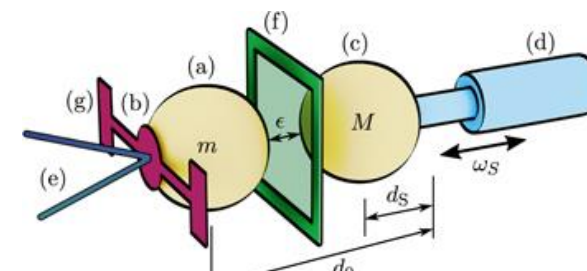
# measuring gravity of a small mass (the *top down* approach)

## magnetic levitation



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J. Slater  
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## milli-G project

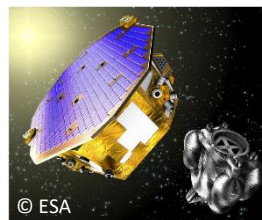


J. Schmöle  
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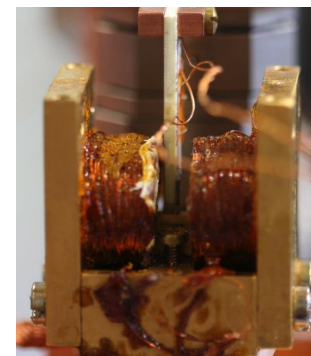


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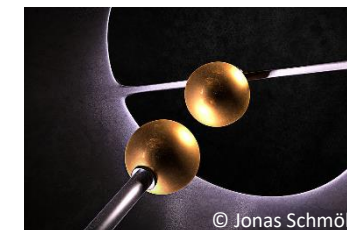
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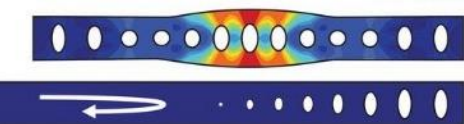
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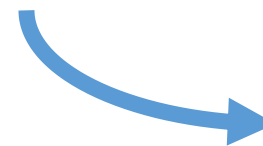
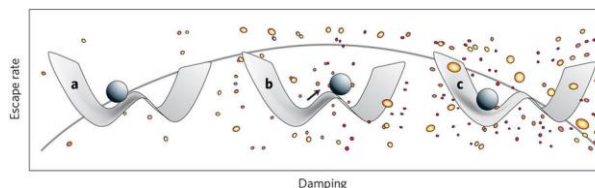
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# quantum mechanics with optically levitated nanoscale objects (*bottom up*)

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## Cavity cooling of an optically trapped nanoparticle

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## Cavity opto-mechanics using an optically levitated nanosphere

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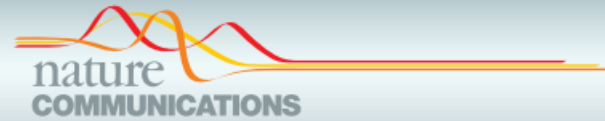
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## Toward quantum superposition of living organisms

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## Near-field interferometry of a free-falling nanoparticle from a point-like source

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## Macroscopic quantum resonators (MAQRO)

Testing quantum and gravitational physics with massive mechanical resonators

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## Quantum superposition of massive objects and collapse models

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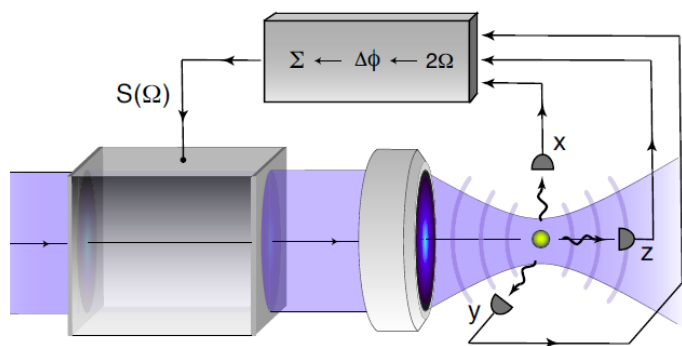
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We analyze the requirements to test some of the most paradigmatic collapse models with a protocol that prepares quantum superpositions of massive objects. This consists of coherently expanding the wave function of a ground-state-cooled mechanical resonator, performing a squared position measurement that acts as a double slit, and observing interference after further evolution. The analysis is performed in a general framework and

# An alternative point of view: resolution

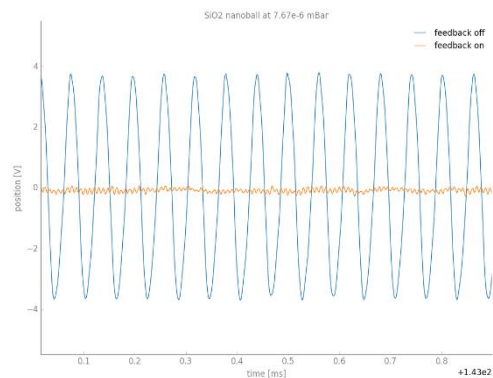
## GOAL

Quantum control of mechanical massive objects at room temperature.



## LIMIT

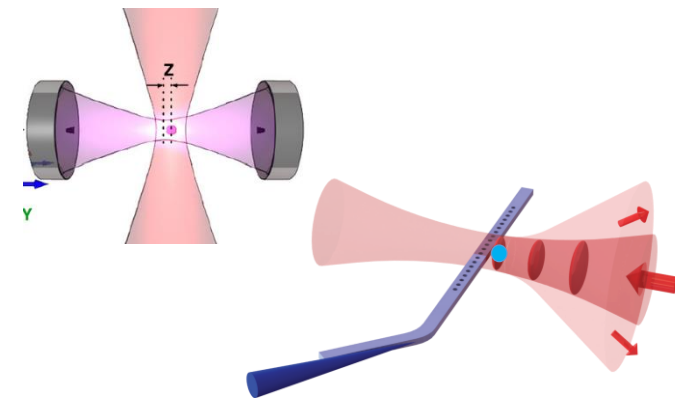
Detection efficiency and back action



How does it move when its not moving much?

## SOLUTION?

Boost information with a cavity!



GOAL:

$$C = \frac{4 g_0^2 n_{cav}}{\kappa \Gamma_{th}} > 1$$



# cavity optomechanics with levitated nanoparticles

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## Cavity cooling of an optically levitated submicron particle

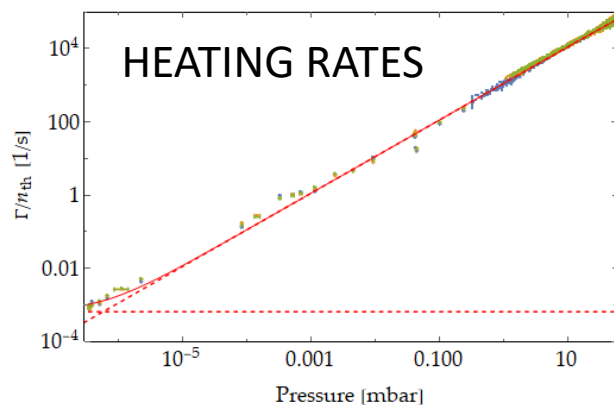
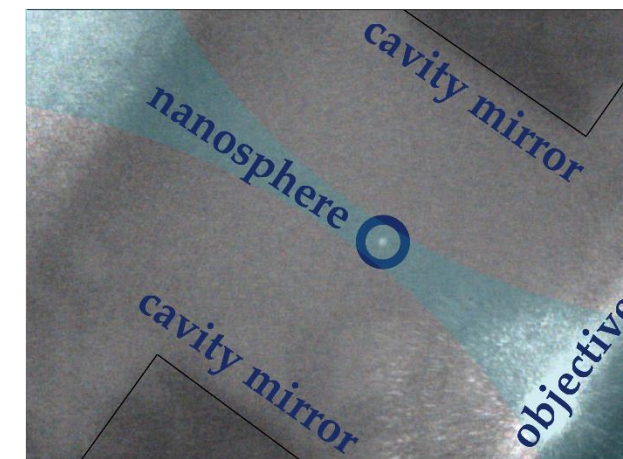
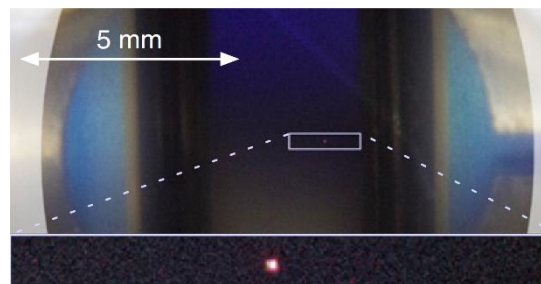
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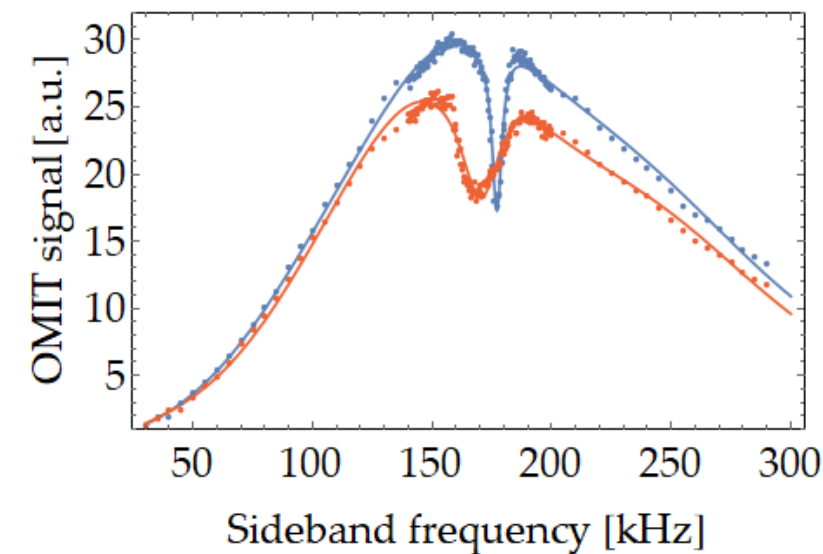
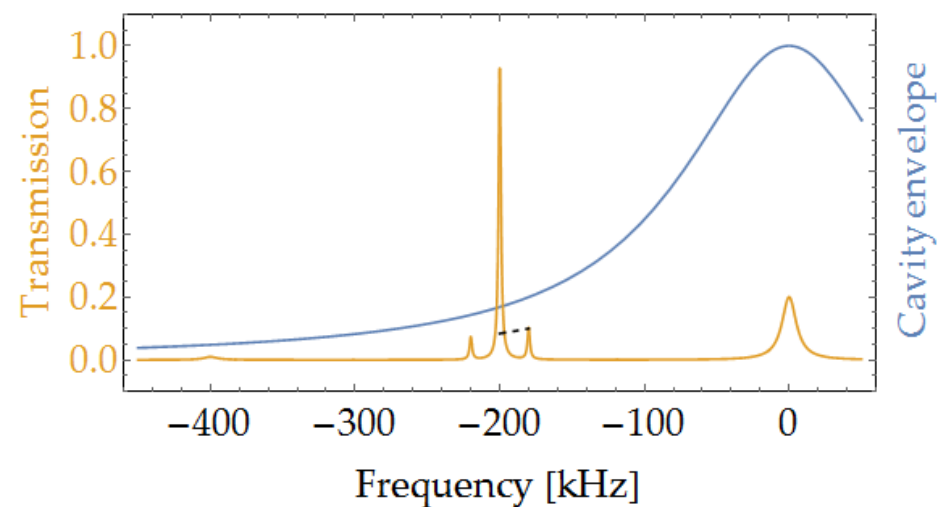
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The coupling of a levitated submicron particle and an optical cavity field promises access to a unique parameter regime both for macroscopic quantum experiments and for high-precision force

optically trapped single atoms (22, 23) and for clouds of up to  $10^5$  ultracold atoms (34–36). In comparison to such clouds, massive solid objects provide access to a different parameter regime: on



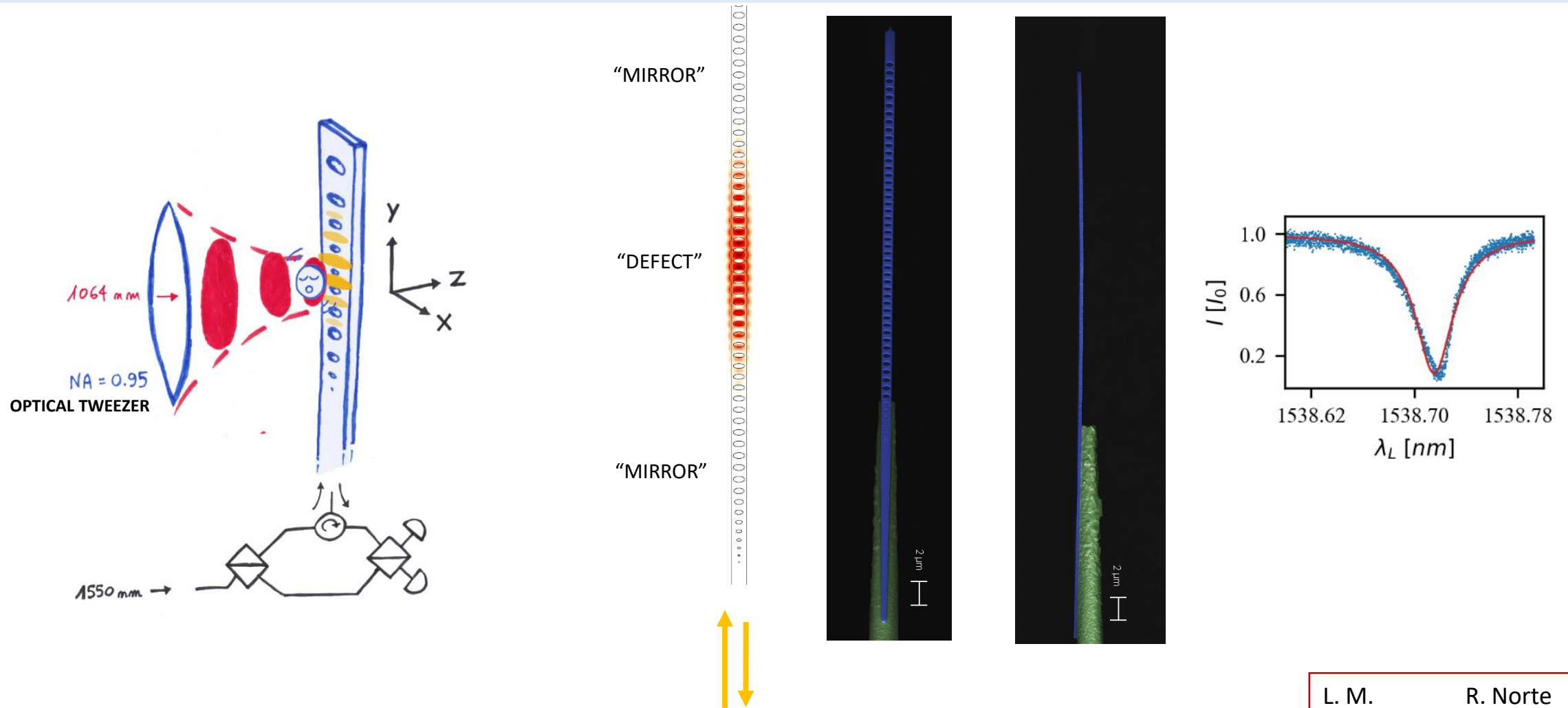
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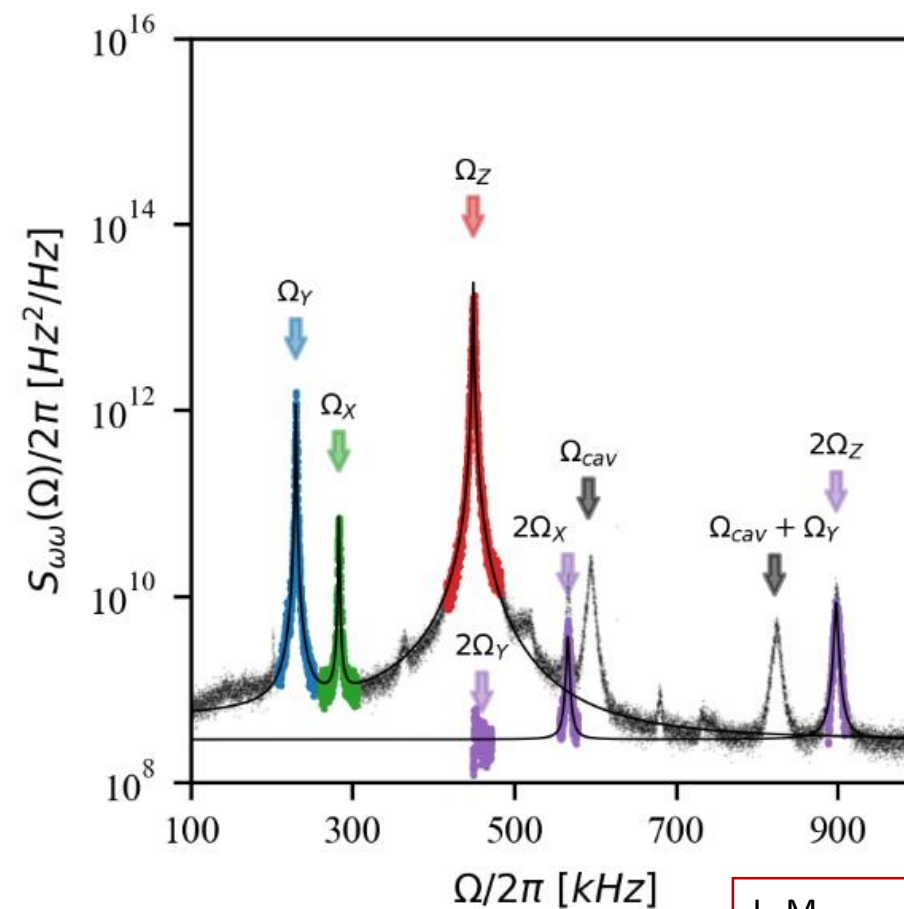
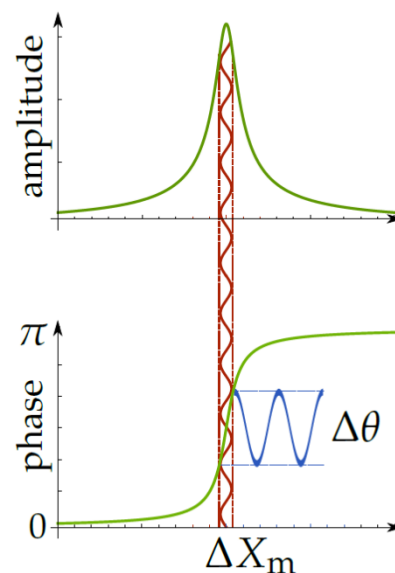
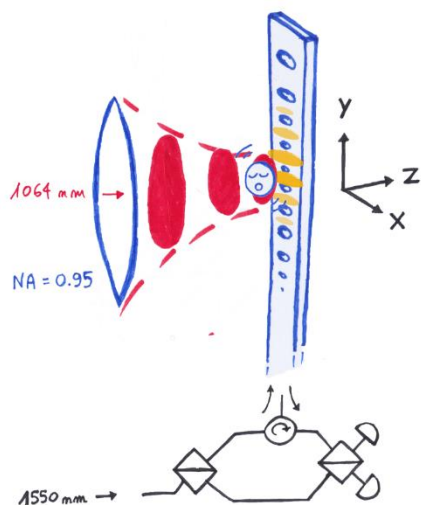


# near field coupling of a levitated nanoparticle to a photonic crystal cavity



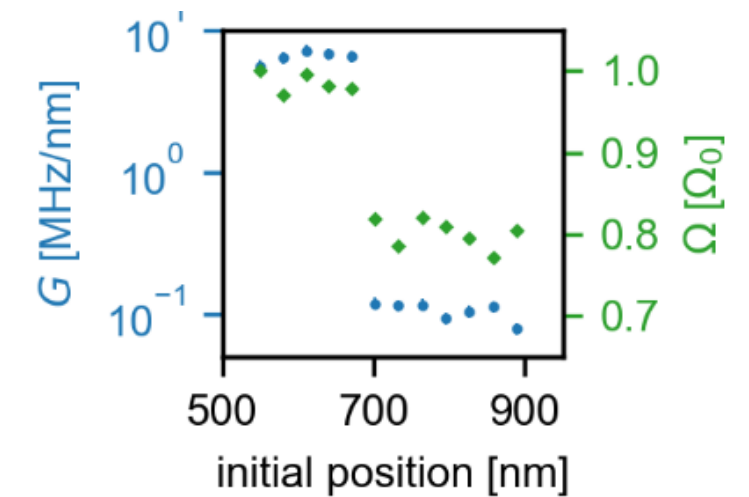
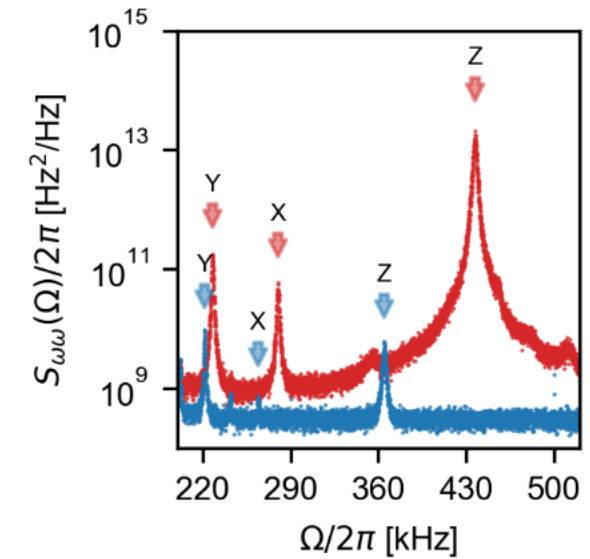
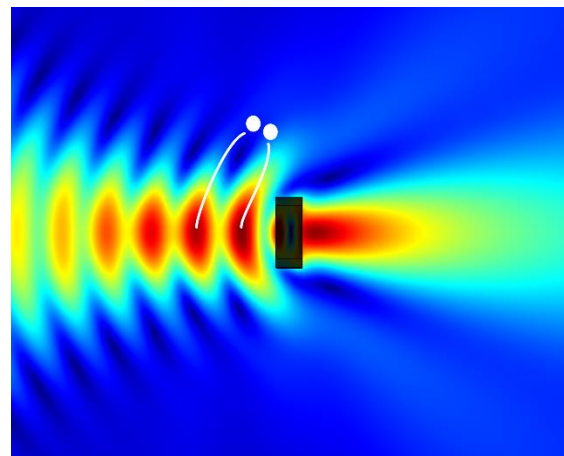
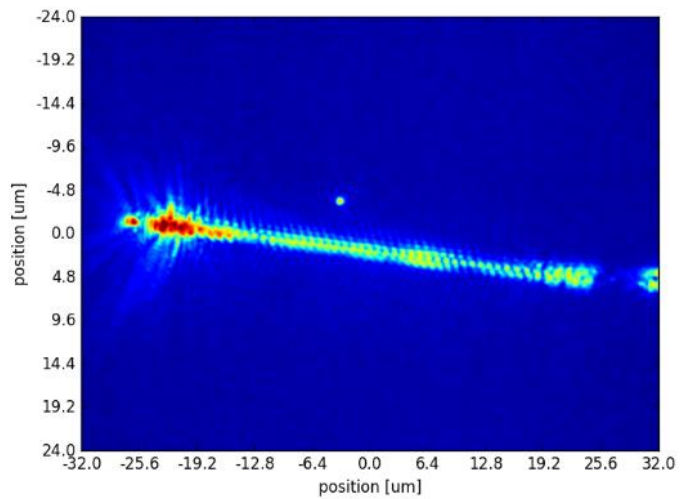
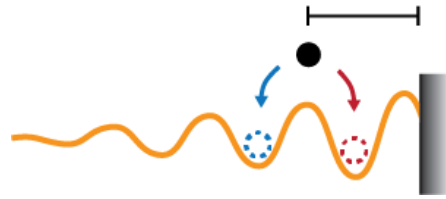
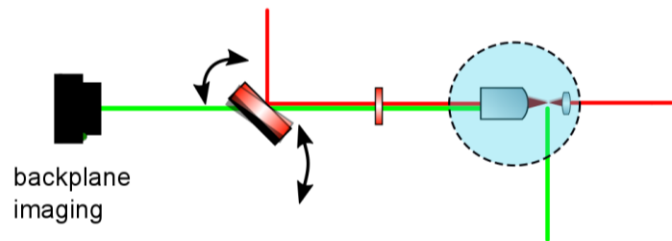
# modulation of the cavity resonance

$$S_{\varphi\varphi}(\Omega) = \frac{4}{\kappa^2} S_{\omega\omega}(\Omega) = \frac{4G^2}{\kappa^2} S_{xx}(\Omega)$$



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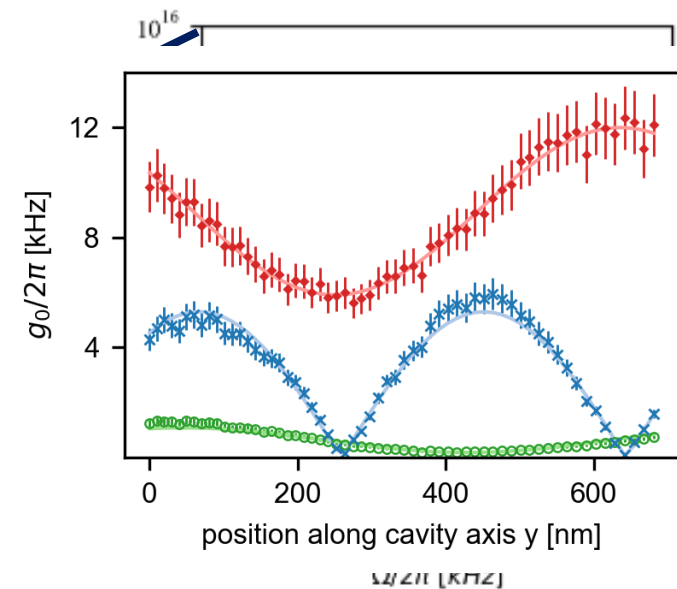
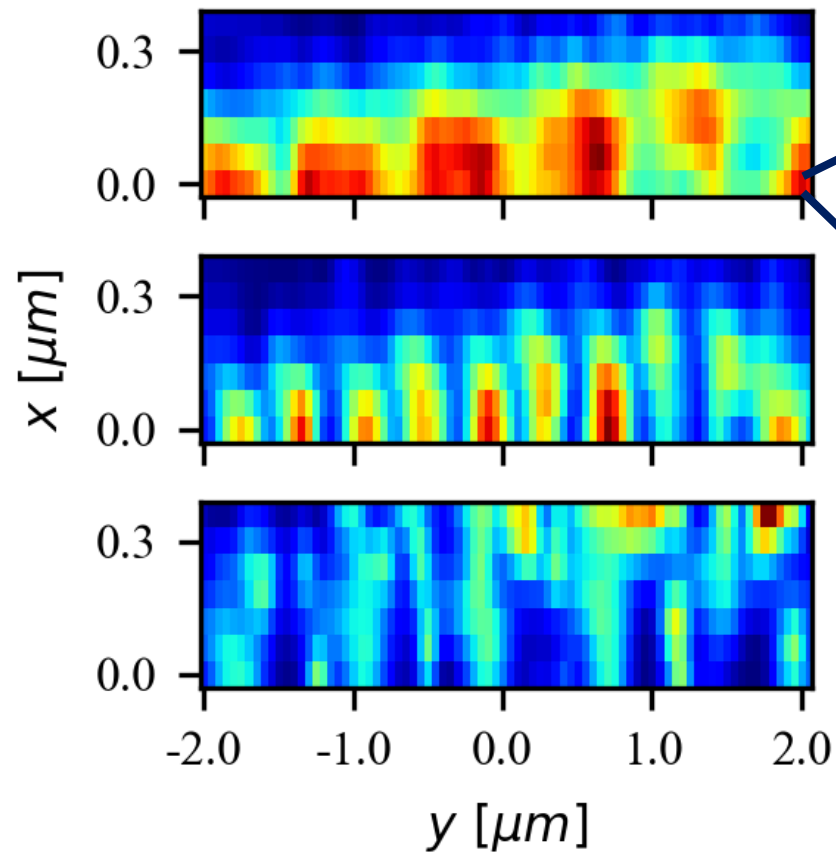
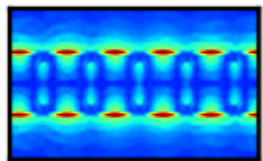
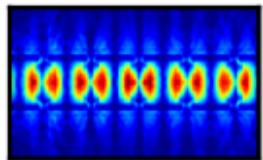
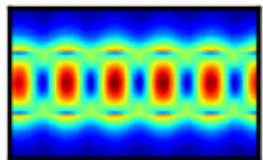
# how is the particle loaded close to the cavity



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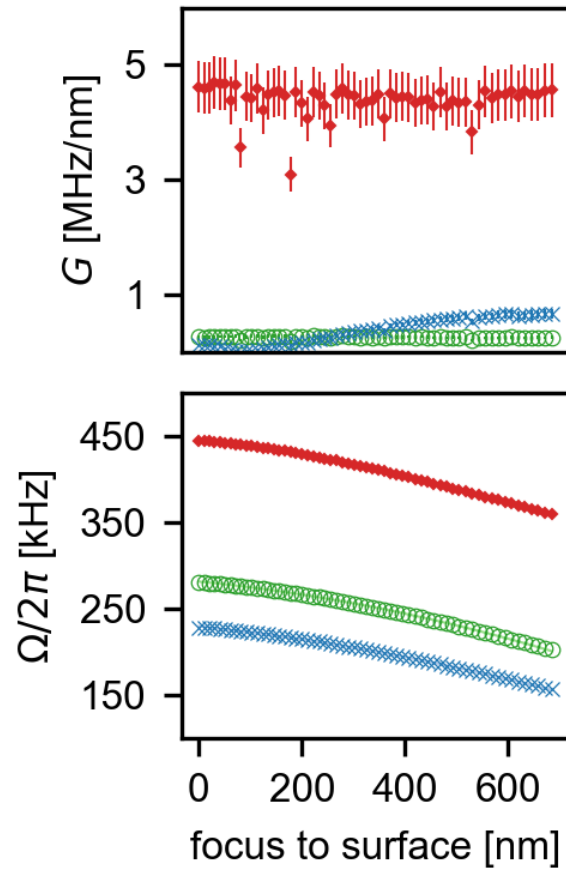
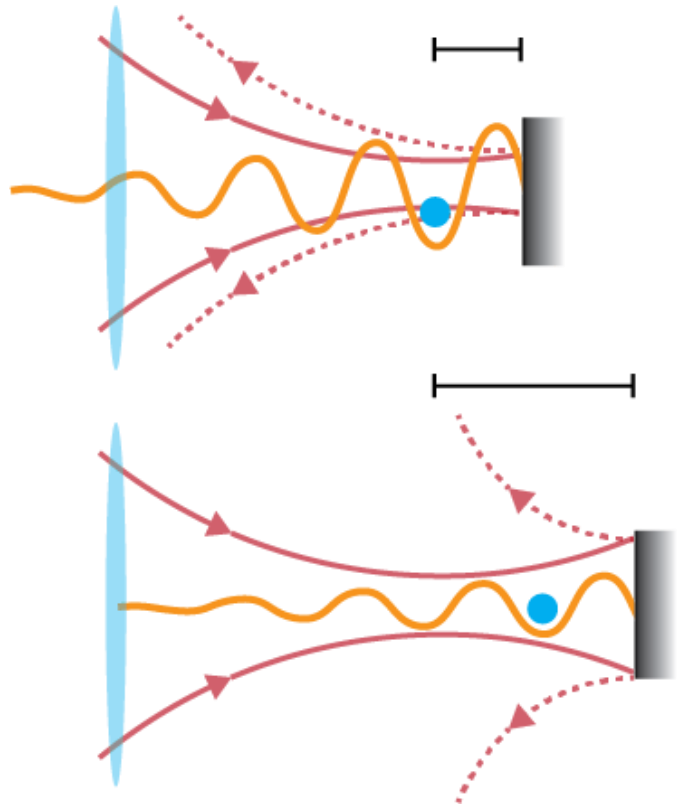
# tuning the coupling (mapping the field gradient)

$$g_0^i(x, y, z) \propto \nabla_i E^* E$$

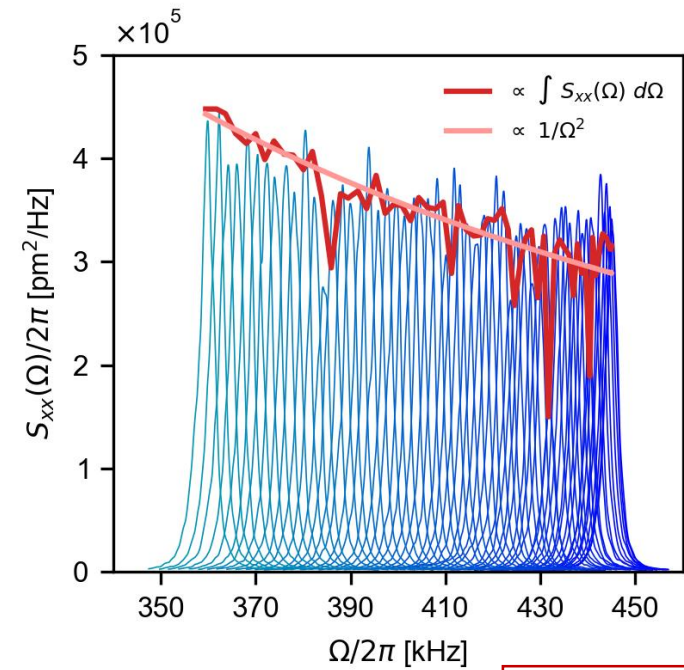


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# mechanical frequency control



$$\frac{1}{2} k_B T = \frac{1}{2} m \Omega_m^2 \langle x^2 \rangle$$



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# outlook

$$C = \frac{4 g_0^2 n_{cav}}{\kappa \Gamma_{th}} > 1$$

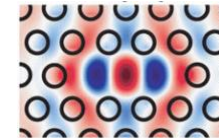
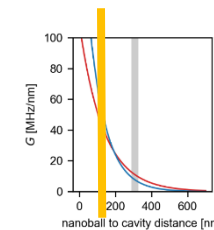
$$\chi = \frac{g_0}{\kappa} \sqrt{n_p} > 1$$

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**TRAPPING CLOSER** → change cavity thickness

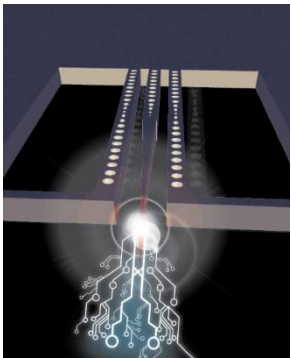
**MORE PHOTONS** → reduce heating (2D cavity)

**IMPROVE CAVITY Q** → state of the art is  $10^7$  (now  $3 \cdot 10^4$ )



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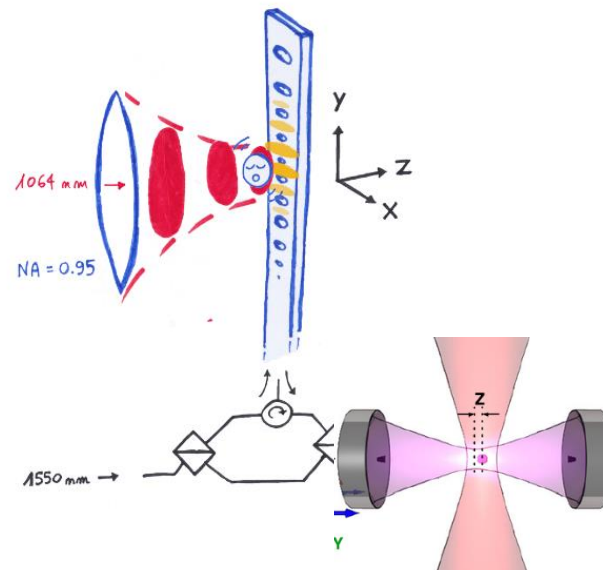
# conclusions



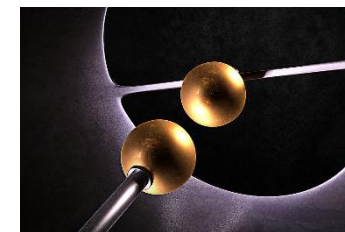
quantum optical control of optomechanical devices with silicon photonics architecture and InGaAs membranes for quantum transducers.



**„bottom up“**  
optical levitation for quantum measurements and manipulation of massive objects



**“top down”**  
how small can one make a gravitational source mass and still detect its gravitational coupling to a nearby test mass?





thank you!

