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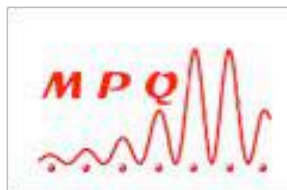
From micro to nano-optomechanical systems: light interacting with mechanical resonators

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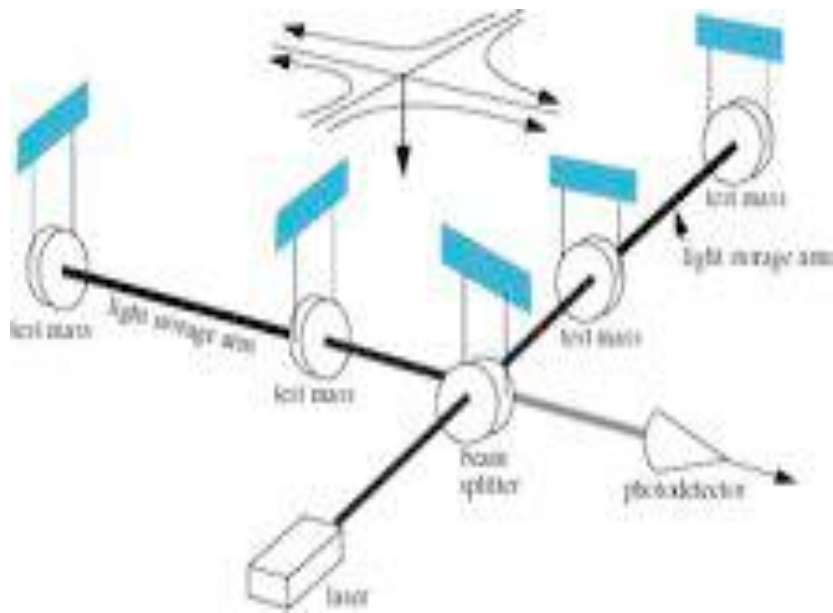
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Detecting gravitational waves with an optical interferometer



Needs to reach $10^{-20}\text{m}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$

Is it even doable in principle?

Fundamental limits of such measurement

Standard quantum limit in a continuous measurement

$$\Delta x \Delta p \geq \hbar/2 \quad \text{which consequences ?}$$

Carlton M. Caves, *Physical Review Letters* 45, 14 (1980)

« *Quantum-Mechanical Radiation-Pressure Fluctuations in an Interferometer* »

V. B. Braginsky, F. Khalili, « *Quantum measurement* », Cambridge University Press (1995)

Photons dynamical back-action

V. B. Braginsky, Moscow State University

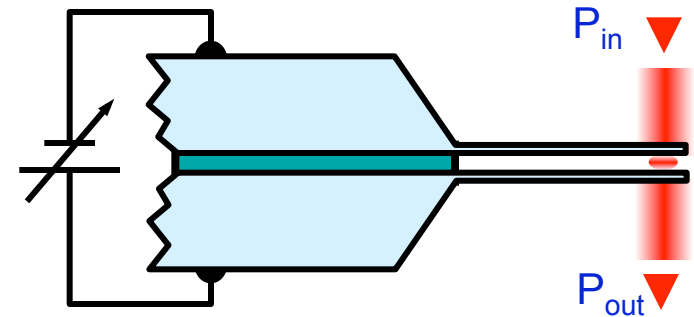
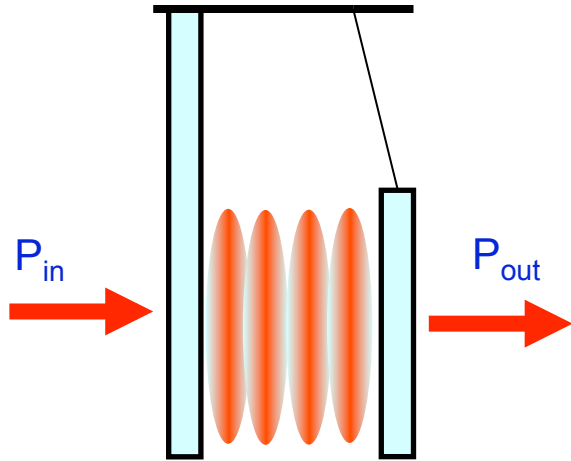
“*Weak forces measurements in physics*”

Chicago University Press (1977)

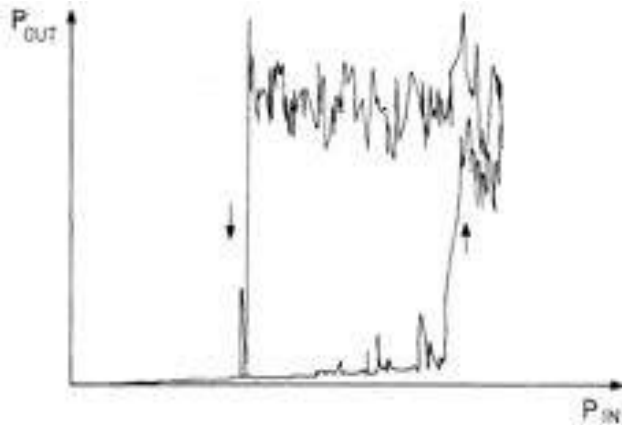
Mechanical action of photons perturbs the system
during the measurement: **Optomechanical coupling**



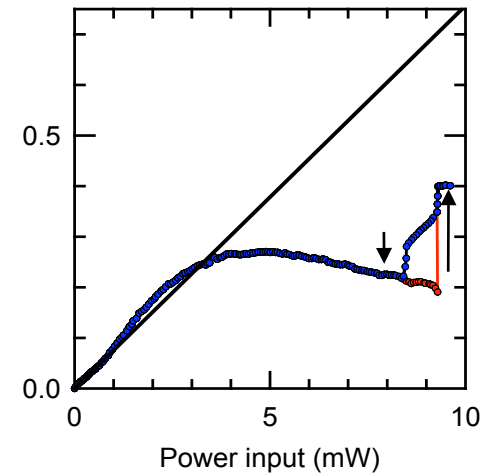
Coupling light to the mechanical motion of a mirror



- AFM silicon microlever
($200 \times 20 \times 0.5 \mu\text{m} = 5 \text{ ng}$)



A. Dorsel et al., *PRL* 51, 1550 (1983)



Back-action on a micro-mirror (2003)

Optical bi-stability and mirror trapping

Quantum regime of a mechanical oscillator

- Classical harmonic oscillator

$$m\frac{d^2x(t)}{dt^2} + Kx(t) = 0$$

$$x(t) = x_0 \cos(\omega_m t + \varphi)$$

$$\langle E \rangle = \frac{1}{2} m \omega_m^2 x_0^2$$

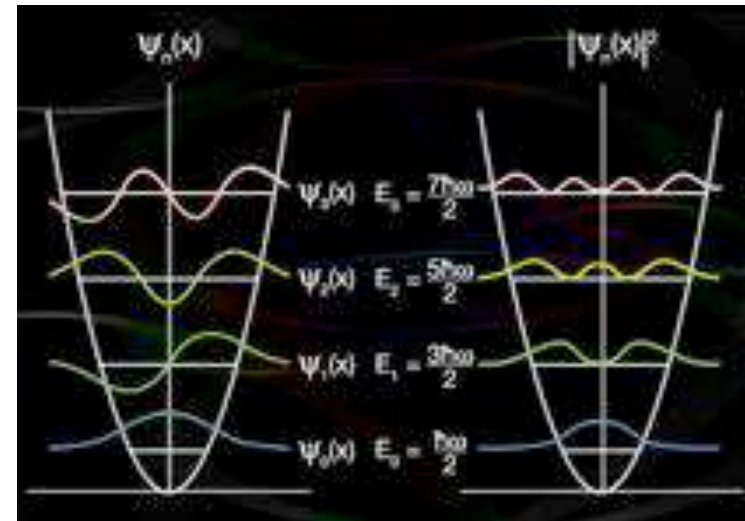
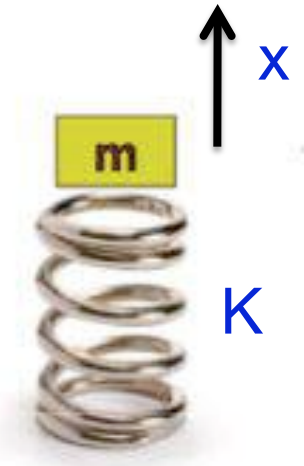
- Quantum harmonic oscillator

$E_n = (n + 1/2) \hbar \omega_m$ n phonon number
 $n=0$ is the quantum ground-state

$$m \omega_m^2 \Delta x_{\text{zpf}}^2 = \hbar \omega_m \quad \Delta x_{\text{zpf}} / \sqrt{\text{Hz}} \approx 10^{-16} \text{m} / \sqrt{\text{Hz}}$$

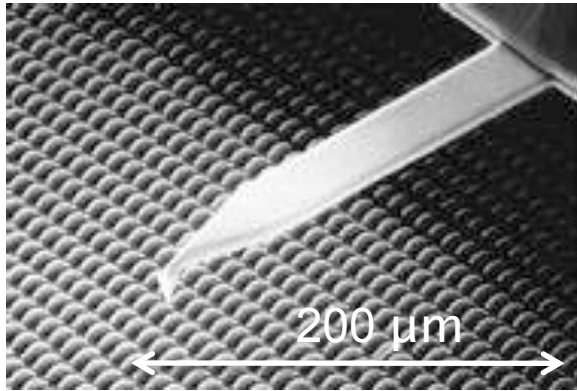
Difficulties

- Detect the « quantum » motion
- Reach the regime $k_B T \leq \hbar \omega_m$

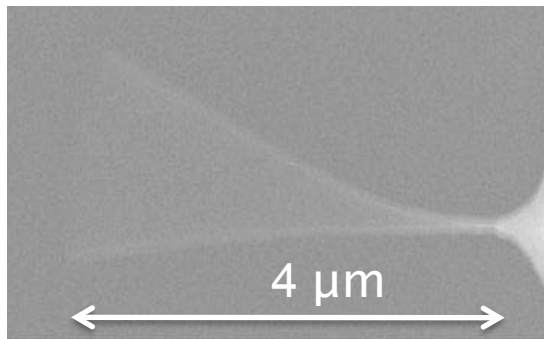


Quantum temperature $k_B T \leq \hbar \omega_m$?

Micro

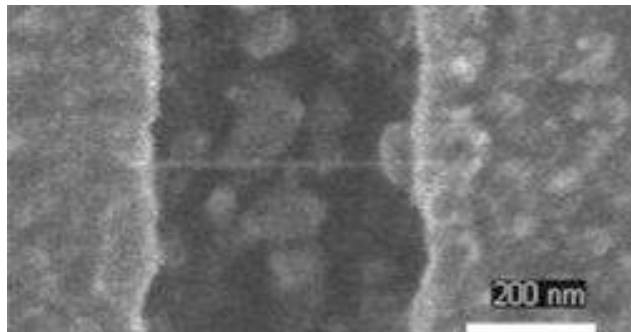


▣ 10 KHz corresponds to 500 nK



▣ 1MHz corresponds to 50 μK

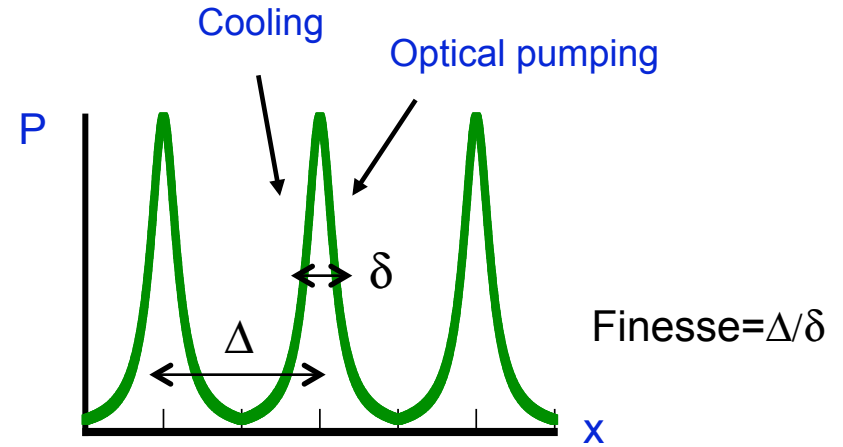
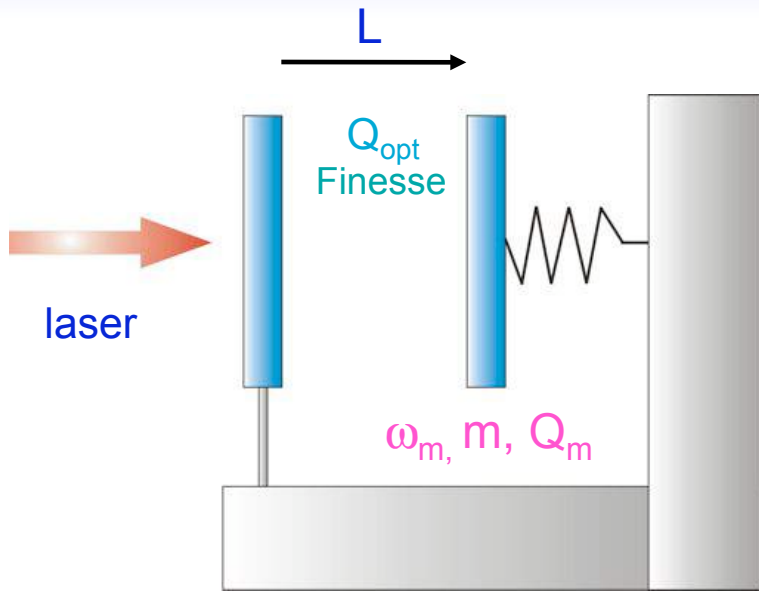
Nano



▣ 1GHz corresponds to 50 mK

Principles of optical cooling

Optical cavity cooling of a mirror motion



Cooling efficiency ($\omega_m \tau \approx 1$)

$$\propto P_{opt} \cdot (L/\lambda) \cdot Finesse^3 / (\Gamma_m \cdot m \cdot c^2)$$

Figure of merit for quantum cooling ($\omega_m \tau \approx 1$)

$$N_{phot} \cdot \alpha \cdot Q_{opt} \cdot (g_{om})^2 \cdot (\Delta x_{zpf})^2 \cdot Q_m \cdot (\hbar/k_B T \omega_{opt})$$

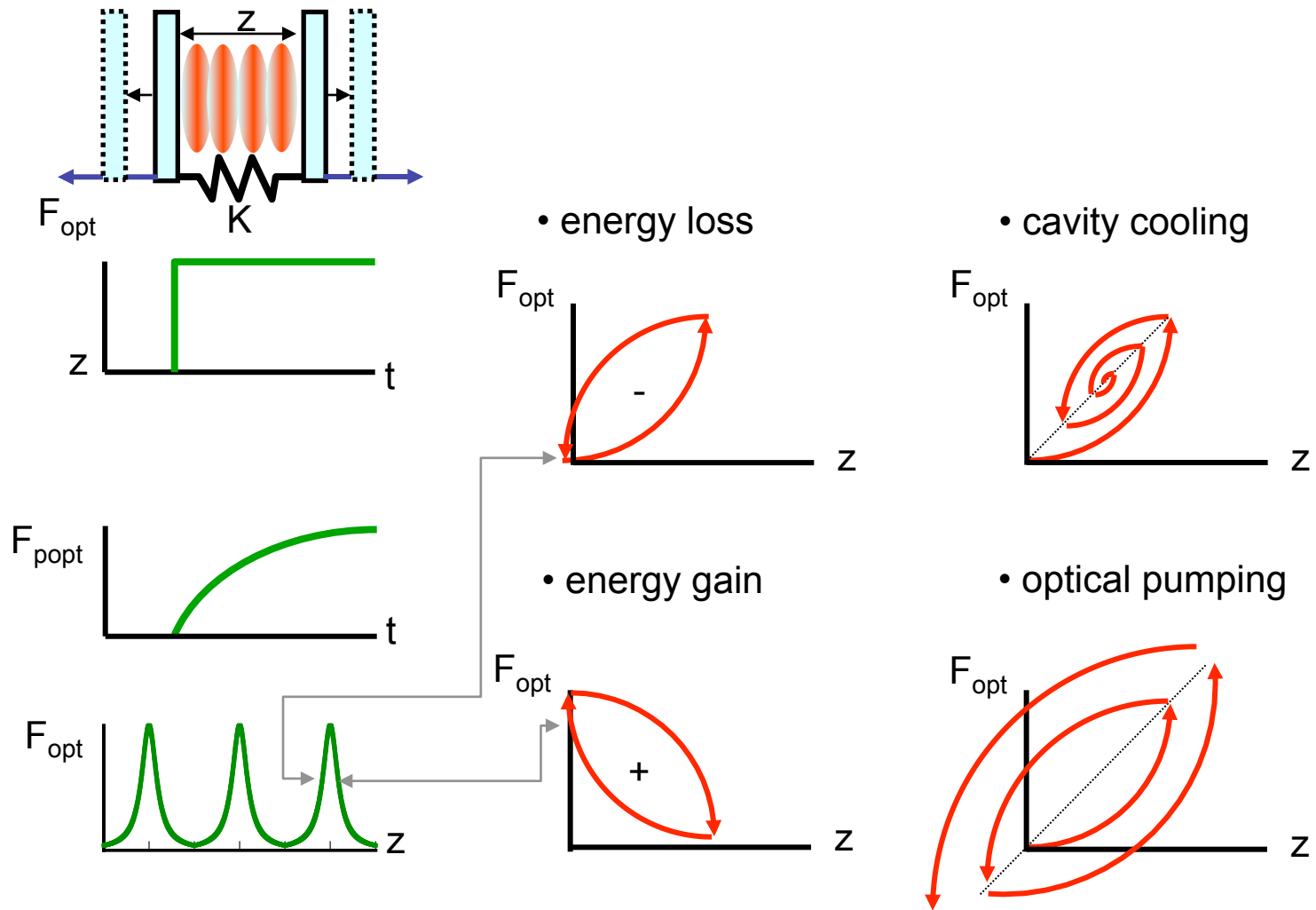
Optical Pressure $\propto P_{opt} / c$ (delay τ)

- Photothermal pressure
- Radiation pressure
- Opto-electronic pressure

$$g_{om} = d\omega_{opt}/dx$$

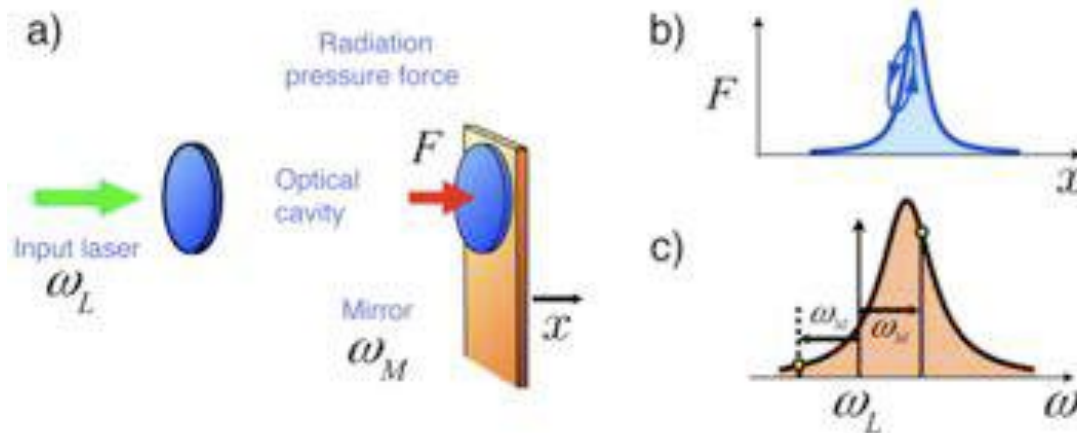
$$(\Delta x_{zpf})^2 = \hbar/2m\omega_m \text{ small mass}$$

Thermodynamic picture of optomechanical cooling



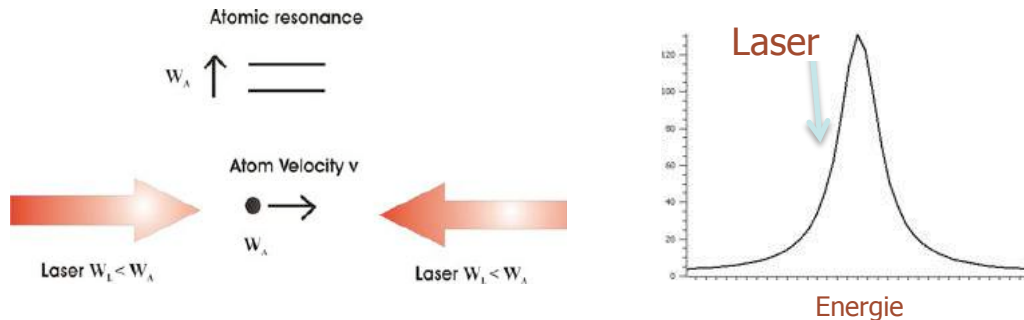
Brownian motion modified by the mechanical action of light

Sideband picture of optomechanical cooling



Kippenberg, Vahala, Science 321, 1172 (2008)
Favero, Karrai, Nature Photonics 3, 201 (2009)
Marquardt, Girvin, Physics 2, 40 (2009)

□ Doppler cooling of an atom motion



T. W. Hänsch and A. L. Schawlow, 1975

C. Cohen-Tannoudji, W. Phillips et S. Chu

Karrai, Favero, Metzger PRL 100, 240801 (2008)

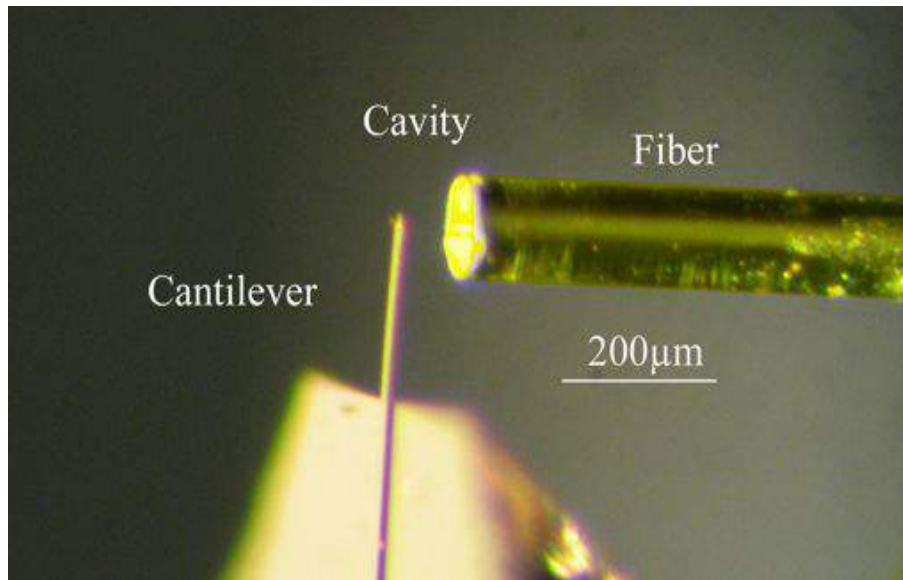
Optomechanics with an AFM lever mirror

Cavity cooling of a microlever

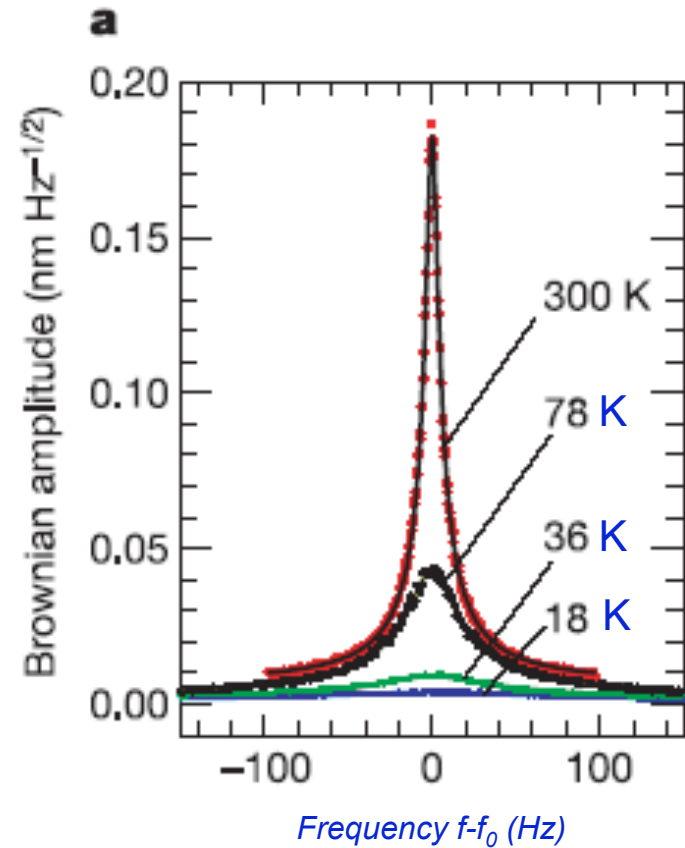
December 2004

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18 K !



Frequency = 10 KHz

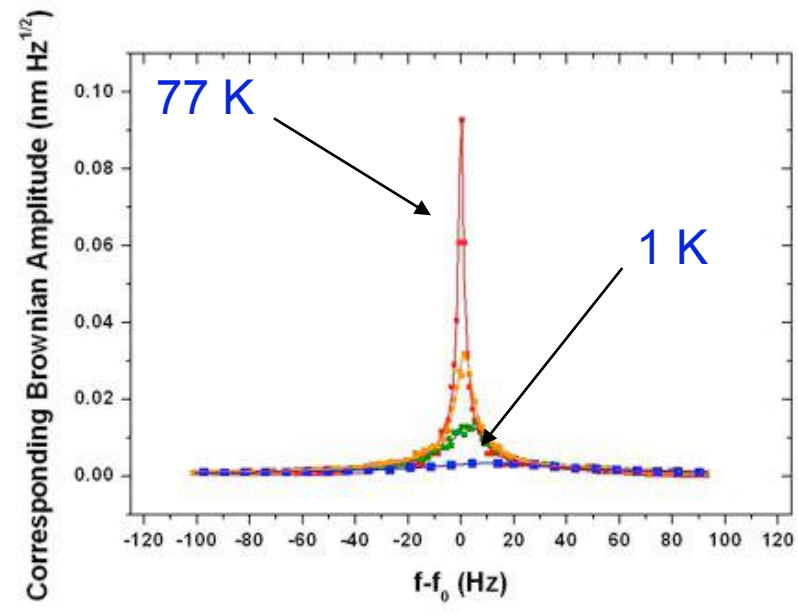
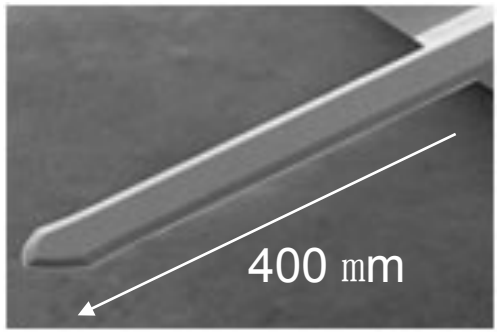
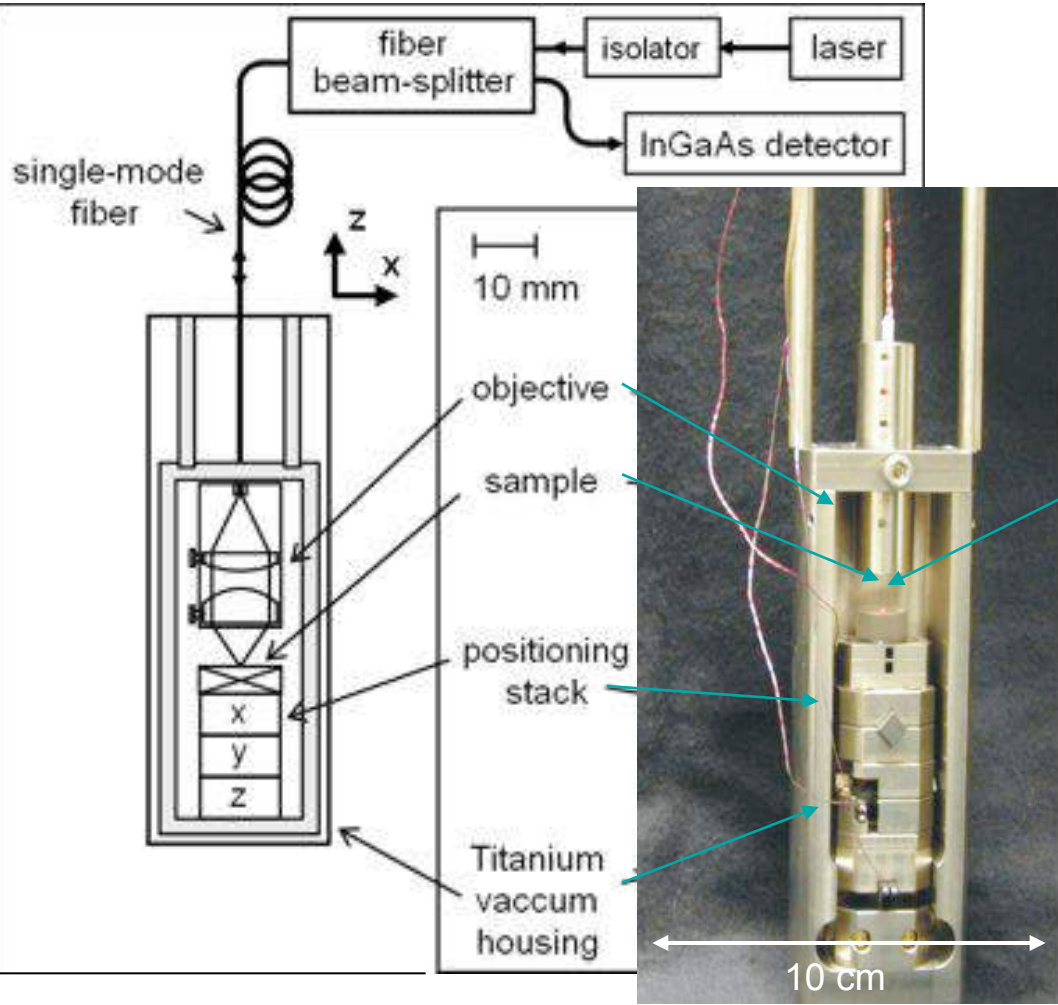
See also external feed-back cooling: PRL 83, 3174 (1999)

Limits of the system

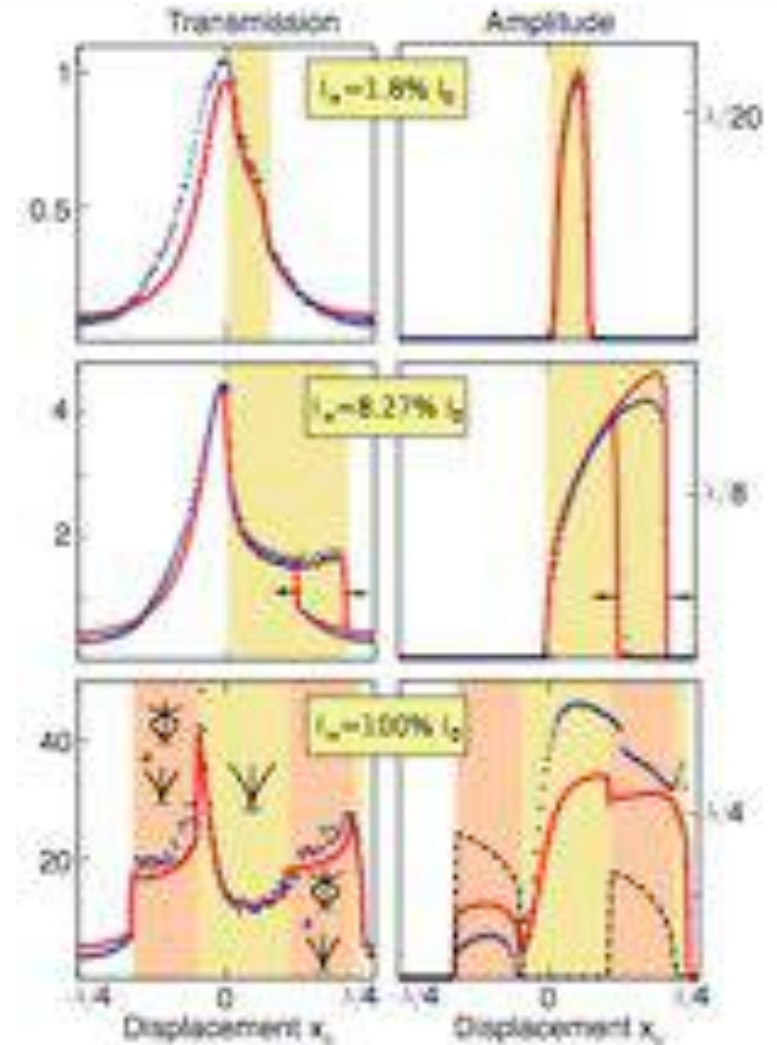
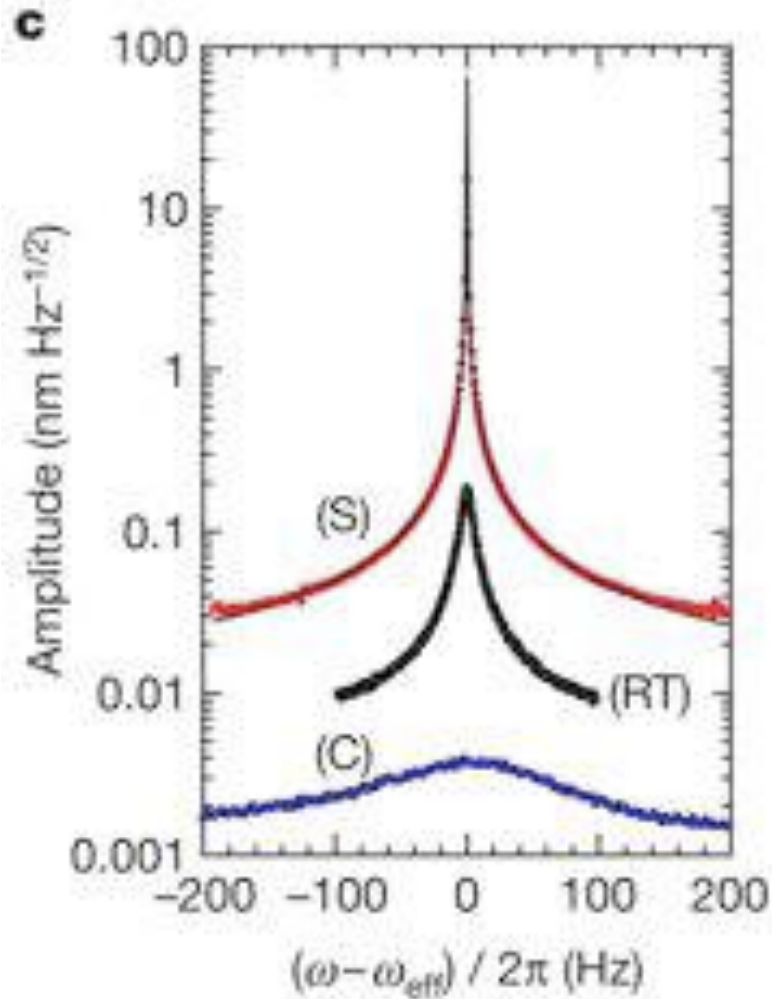
Mass = 10^{-7} g, Finesse = 10

$Q_m = 3000$,

$$g_{om} \approx 100 \text{ MHz/nm}$$



Linear and non-linear optomechanical self-oscillation



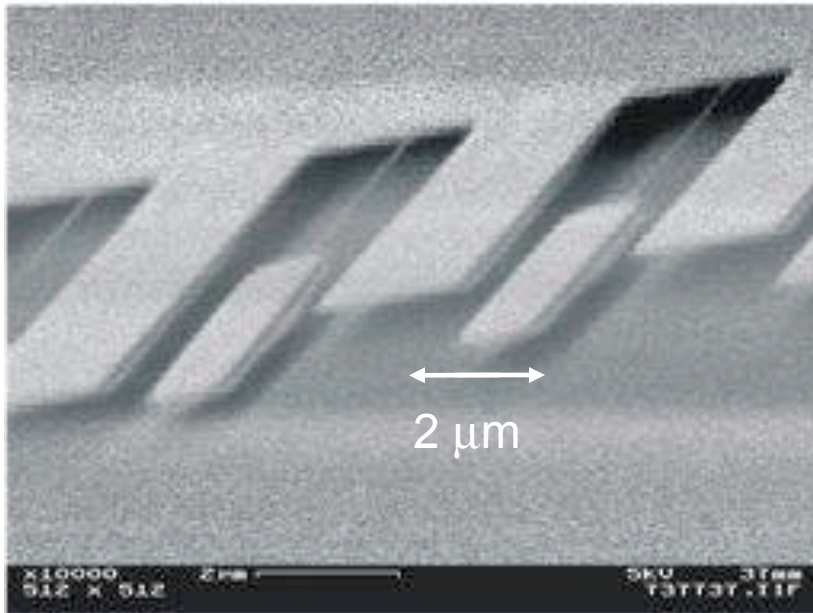
F. Marquardt et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 96, 103901 (2006)

Ludwig, Neuenhahn, Metzger, Favero, Karrai, Marquardt. PRL 101, 133903 (2008)

Scale down dimensions to boost optomechanical effects

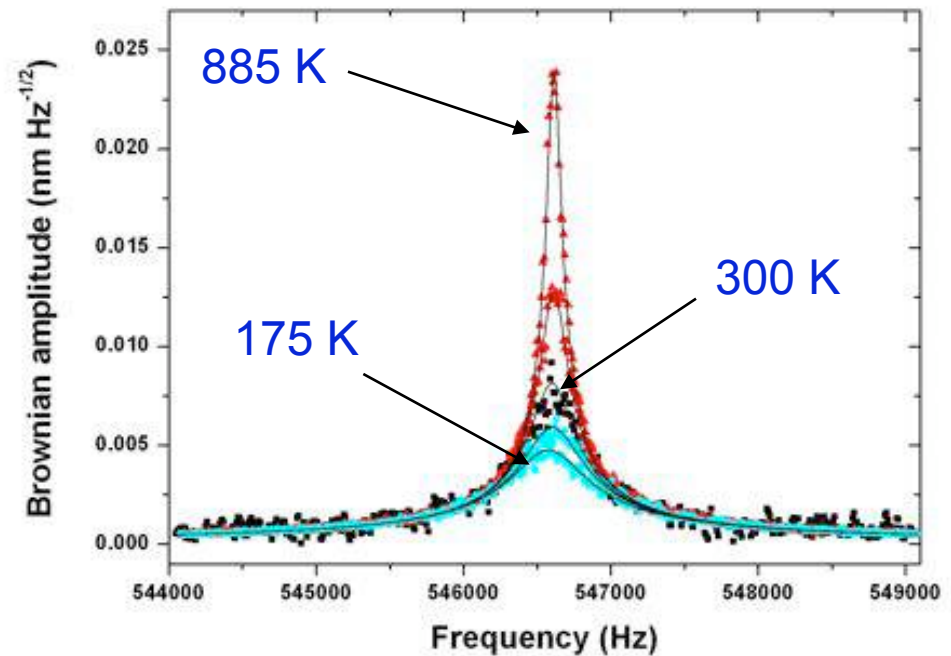
Dwarf micro-mirror at the diffraction limit

$$m=10^{-11} \text{ g !}$$



$$Q_m=1000$$

$$g_{om} \approx 100 \text{ MHz/nm}$$

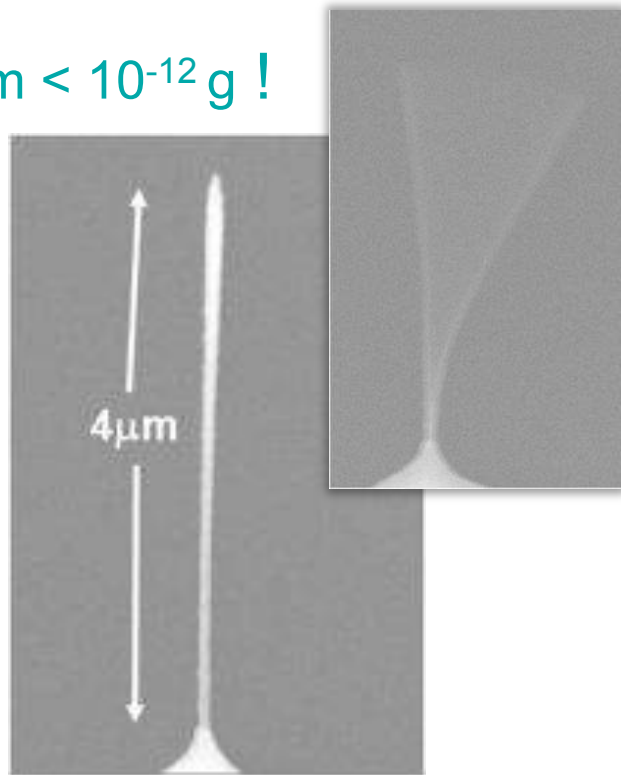


$$\text{Finesse}=10$$

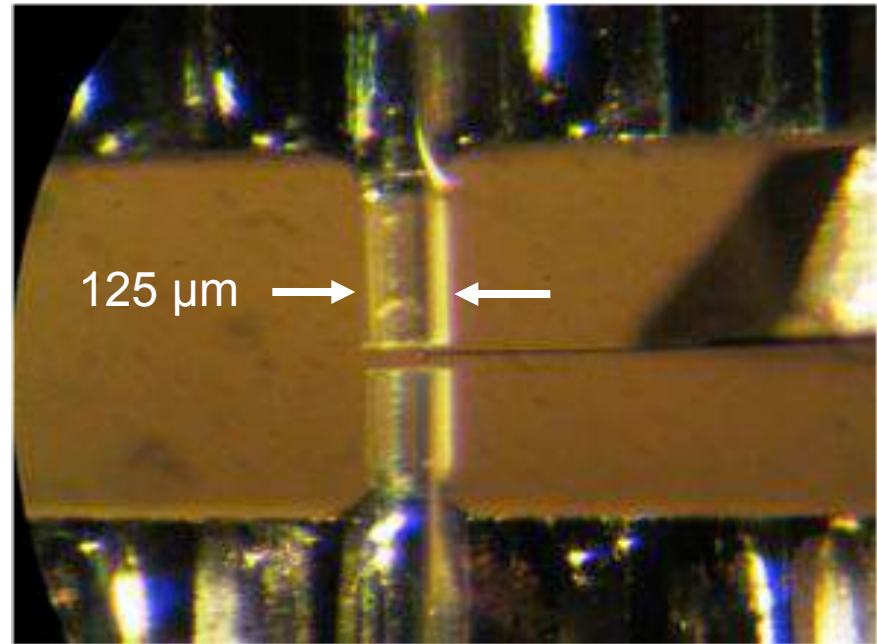
Optical cooling of a micro-mirror with wavelength size
Applied Physics Letters, 90, 104101 (january2007)

Nanomechanical system in a fibered Fabry-Pérot cavity

$m < 10^{-12} \text{ g} !$



Finesse=5000



$Q_m = 1000$

Collaboration: Sebastian Stapfner, Eva Weig group, Jakob Reichel

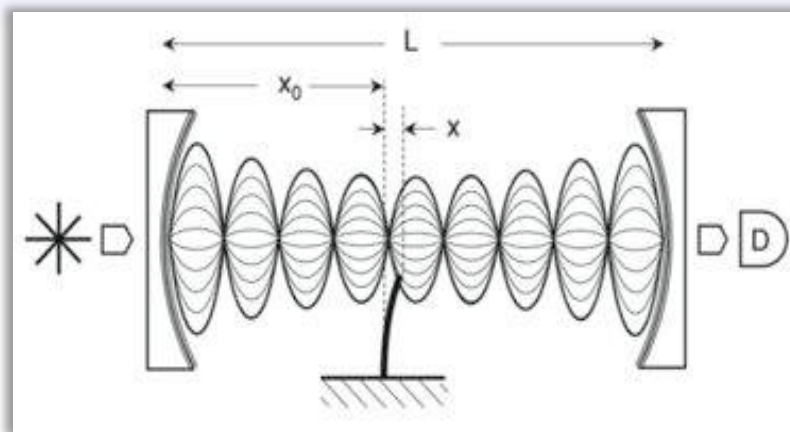
I. Favero, and K. Karrai. *New J. Phys.* 10, 095006 (2008)

I. Favero, S. Stapfner et al. *Optics Express*, Vol. 17, Issue 15, 12813 (2009)

Fluctuating nanomechanical system in an optical cavity

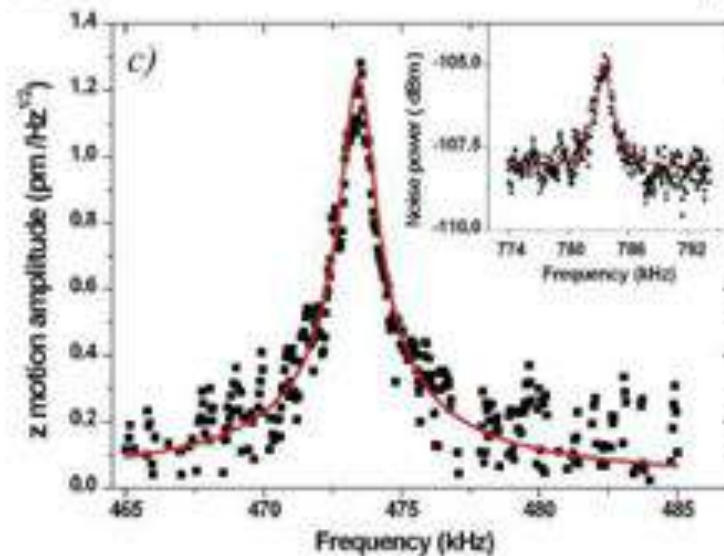
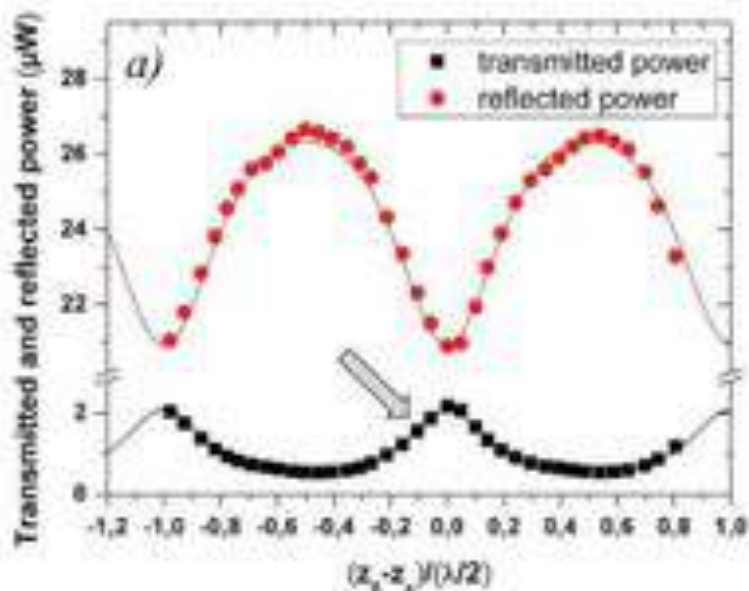
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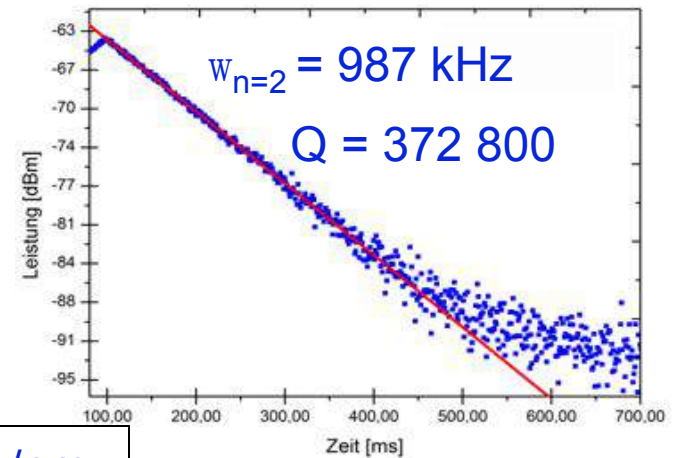
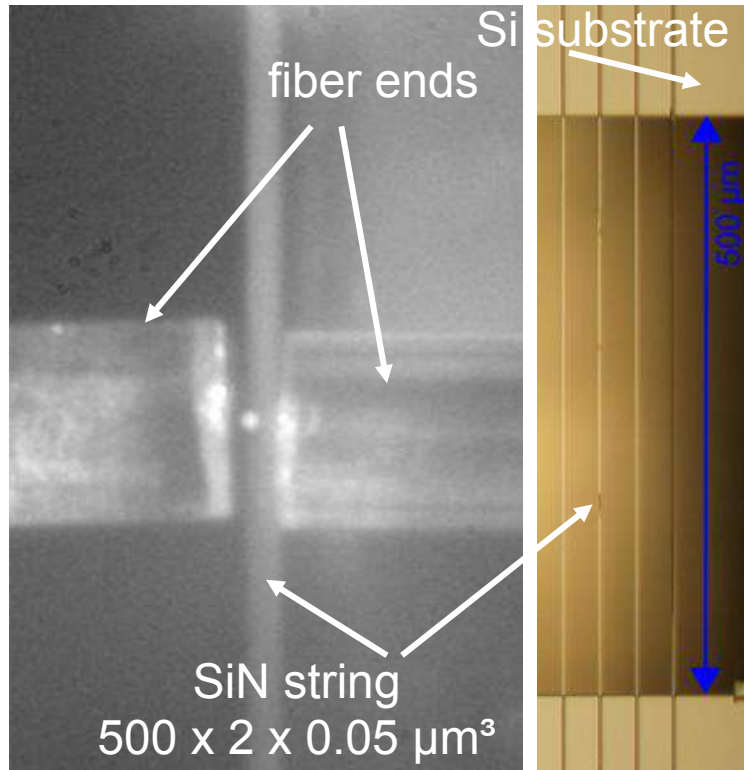
Finesse=5000

$g_{\text{om}} \approx 50 \text{ MHz/nm}$

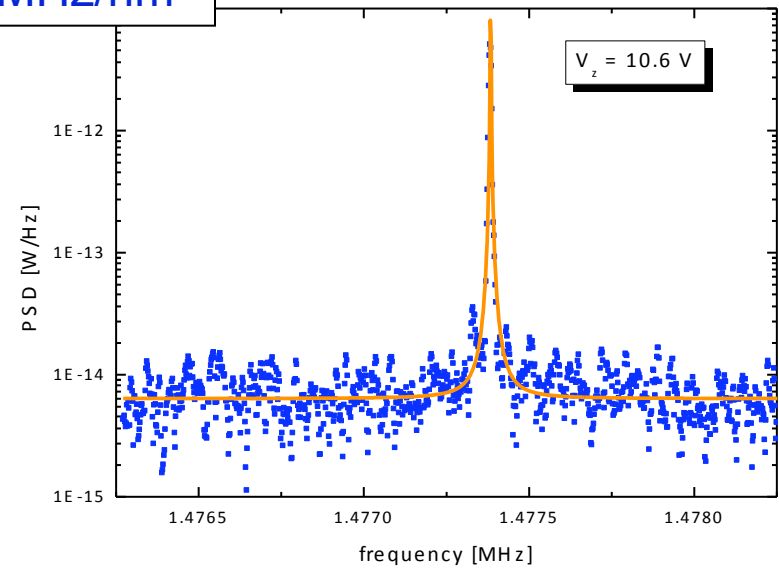


I. Favero, S. Stapfner et al. Fluctuating nanomechanical system in a high finesse optical microcavity. Optics Express, 17, 12813 (2009)

Nanomechanical SiN beam in a Fabry-Pérot cavity



$$g_{\text{om}} \approx 100 \text{ MHz/nm}$$



Cavity finesse 40×10^3
Mechanical fundamental mode at 500 kHz
 Q_m up to 1.2×10^6

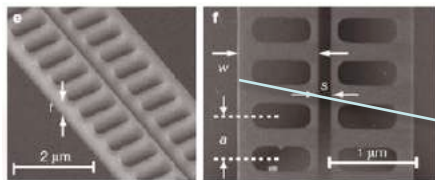
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Optomechanical systems today $N=0.5$



1 cm Size 100 nm

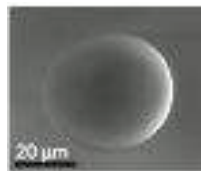
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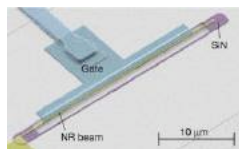
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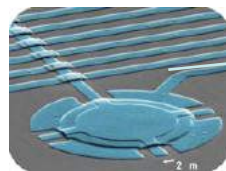
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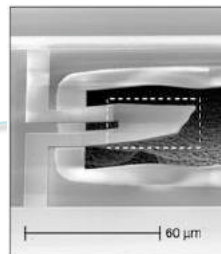
Univ Paris Diderot



Cornell, Caltech

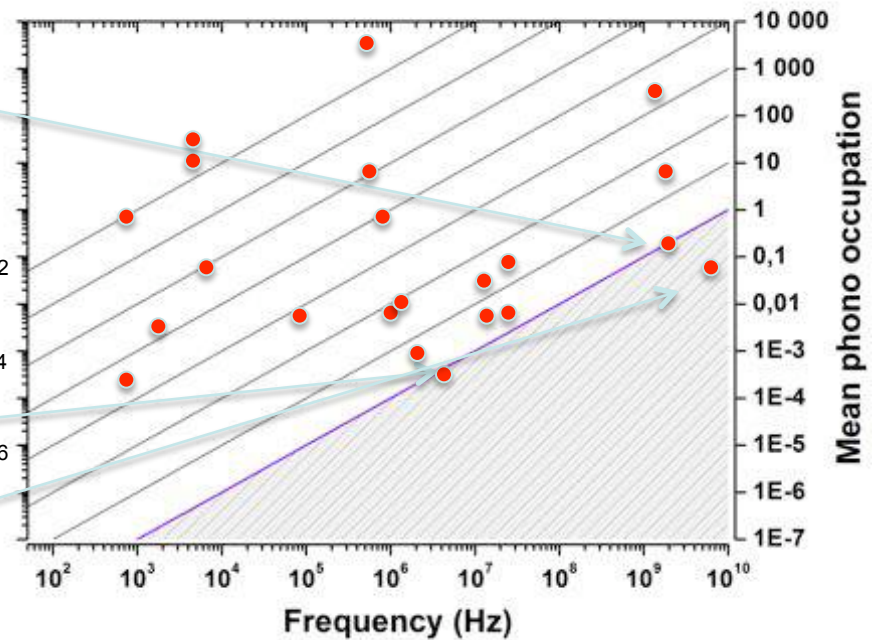


NIST, Boulder



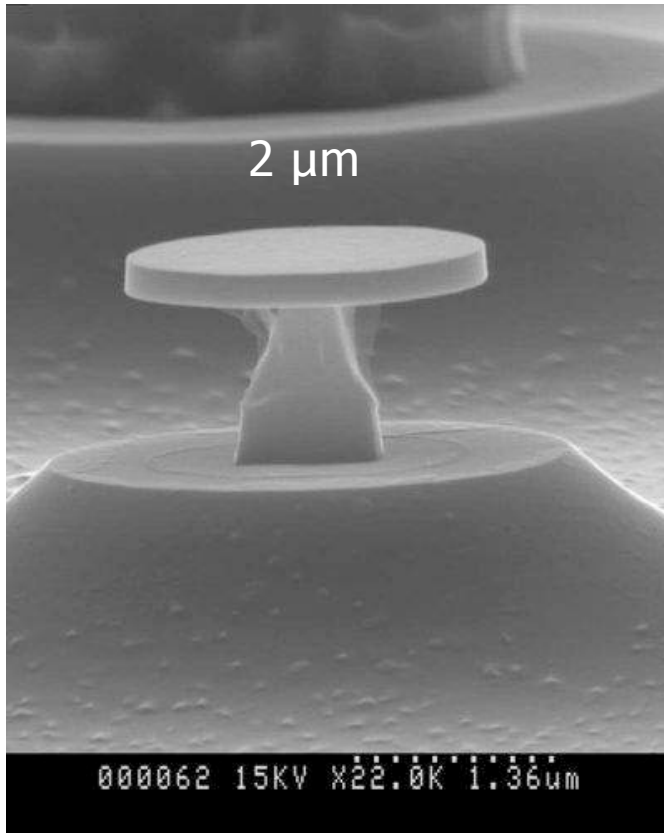
Santa Barbara

Vibrational temperature (K)

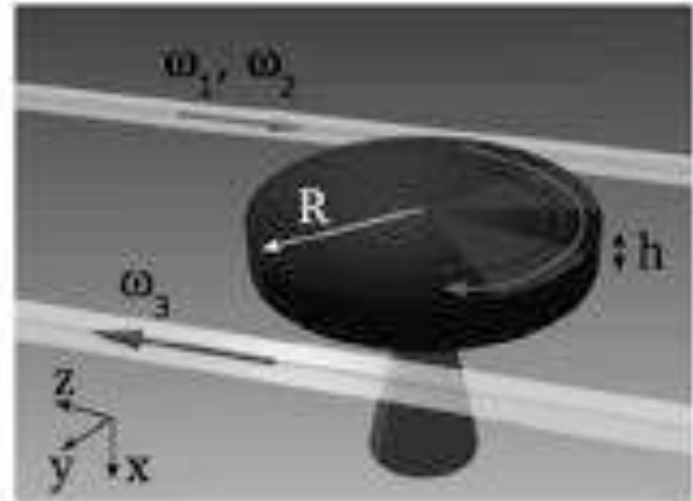


Nanoscale GaAs optomechanics

Nano-Optomechanics with GaAs disks

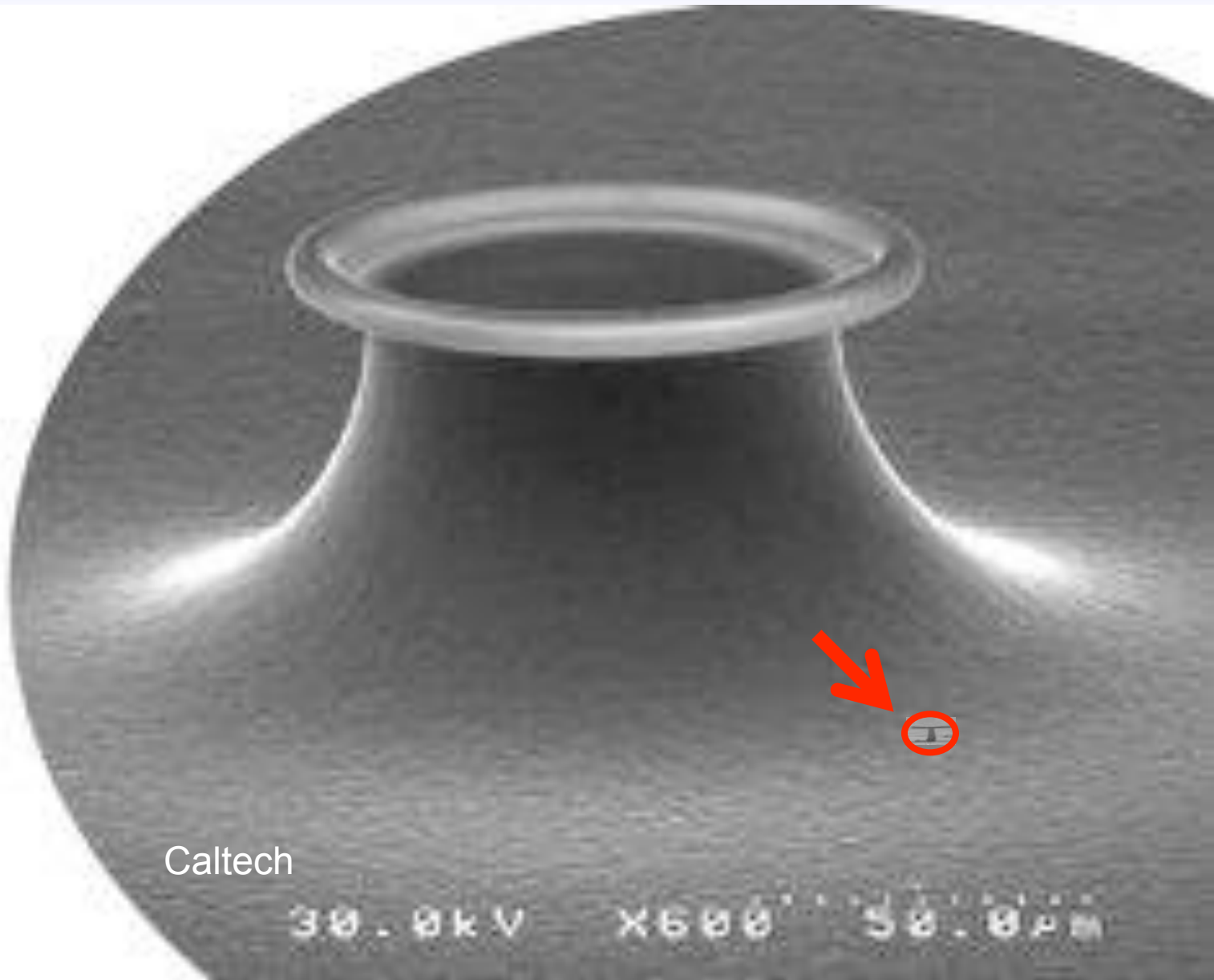


- Small mode volume (sub- λ^3)
- High optical Q (high finesse)
- High frequency
- Small mass (pg)
- Low mechanical dissipation

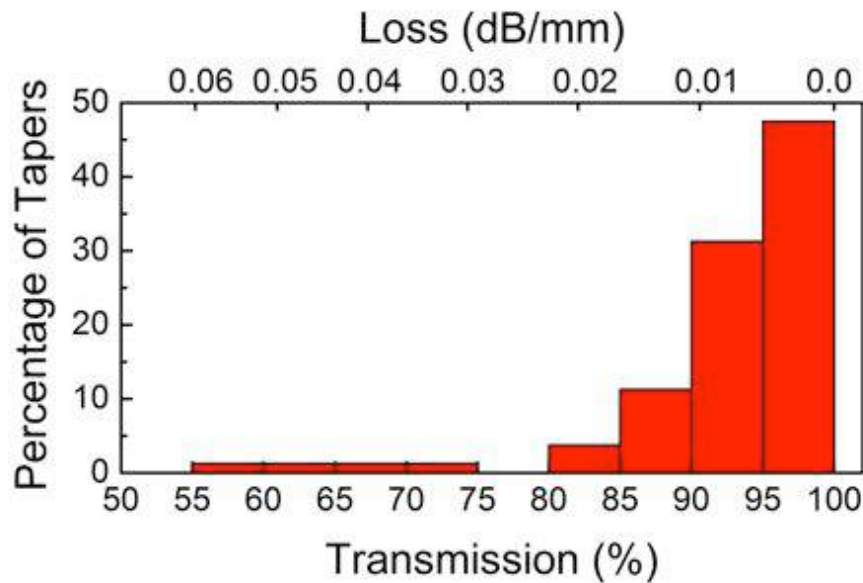
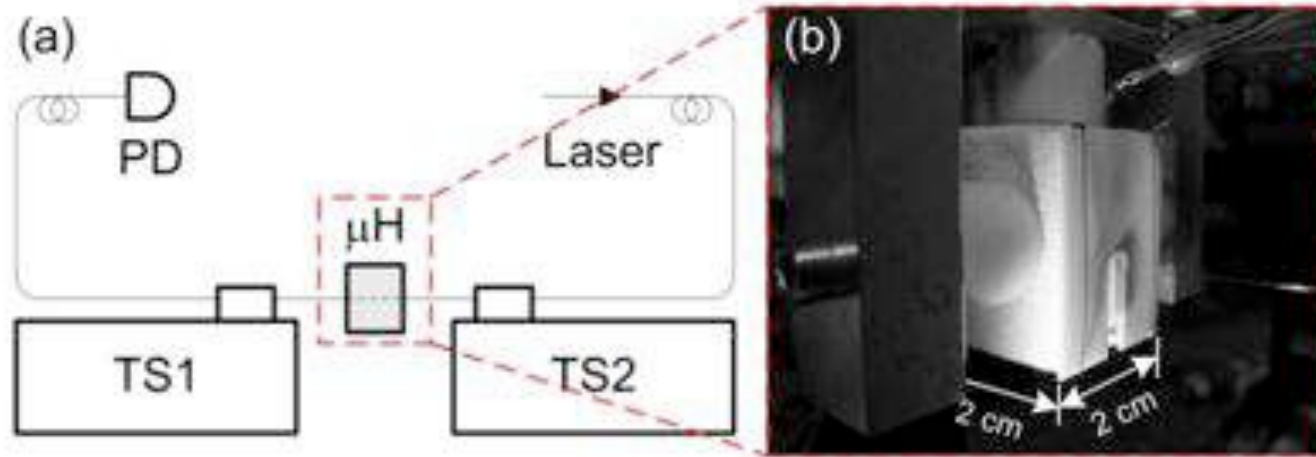


E. Peter et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 95, 067401 (2005)

Comparing the scales: size matters !



Ultra low-loss sub-micron optical fiber taper

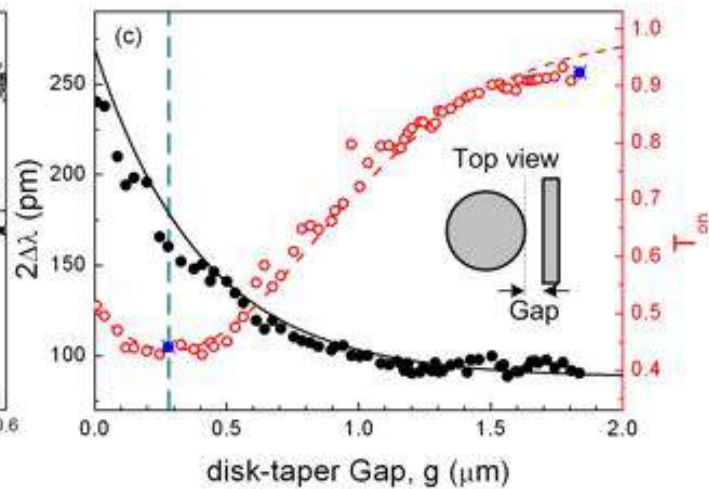
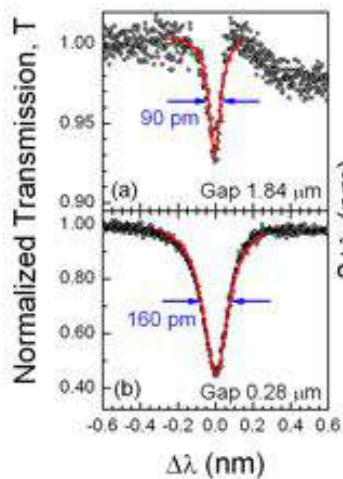
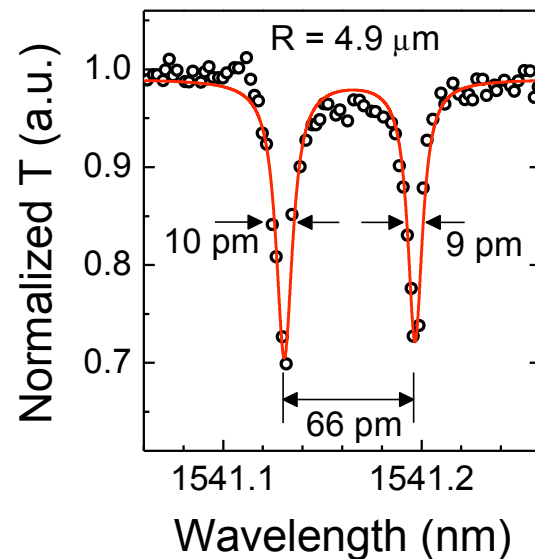


Ave. T = 94 %

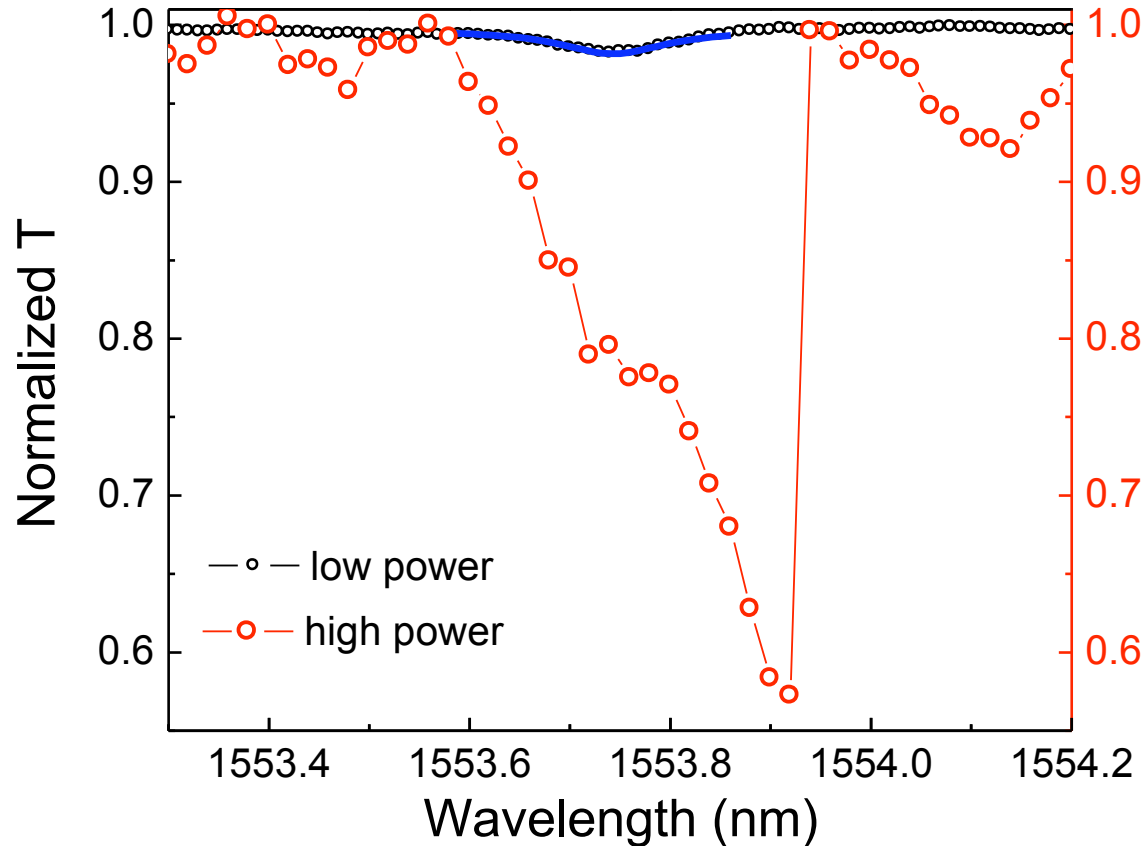
Best T > 99%

L. Ding, C. Belacel, et al.
Applied Optics, 49,
2441-2445 (2010)

Whispering gallery modes with optical Q above 10^5



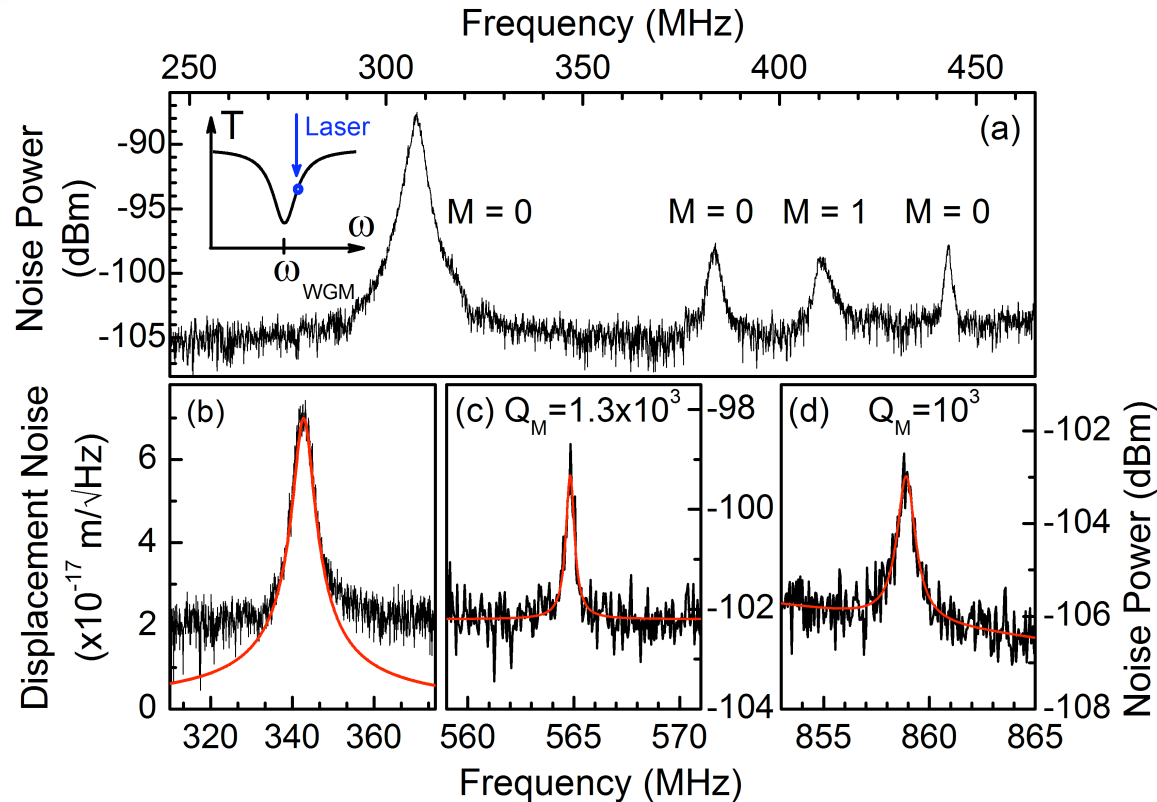
Optically actuated micron-scale fiber motion



Optically actuated micron-scale displacement



Ultra-sensitive optical measurement of disk motion

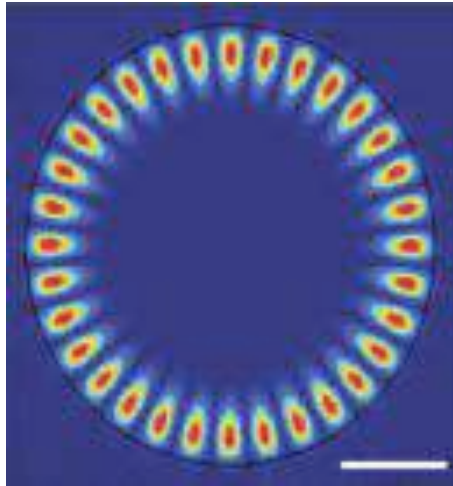


- Frequency of mechanical modes up to GHz
- In air, mechanical Q factor 10^2 to 10^3 with Qf up to 10^{12}
- Sensitivity 10^{-17} m/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ (approaching the quantum limit)
- Giant optomechanical coupling 100 - 600 GHz/nm

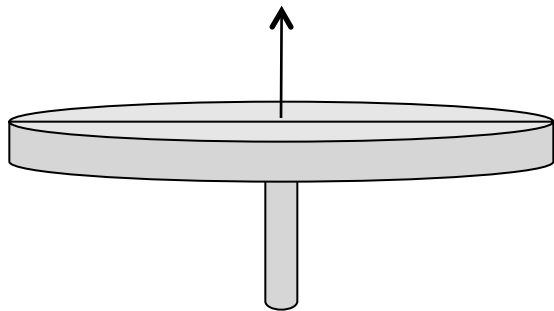
Symmetries in whispering gallery optomechanics

Optical modes

$$F = \Psi(\rho)\Theta(\theta)G(z) \text{ with } \Theta(\theta) = e^{im\theta}$$

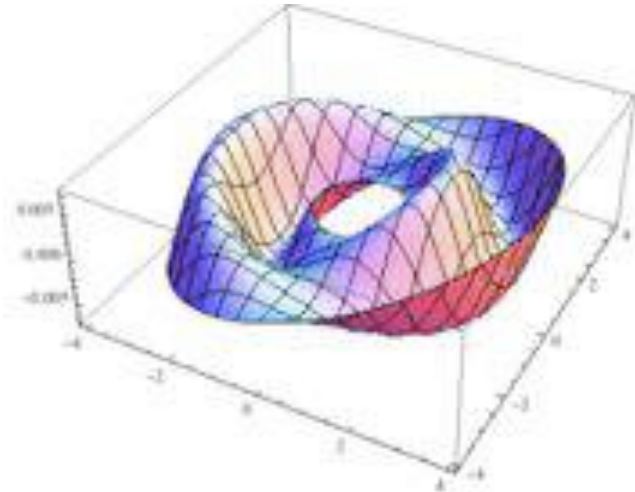


m optical azimuthal number



Mechanical modes

$$q(\rho, \theta, z) = \cos(M\theta) \times f_p(\rho, z)$$

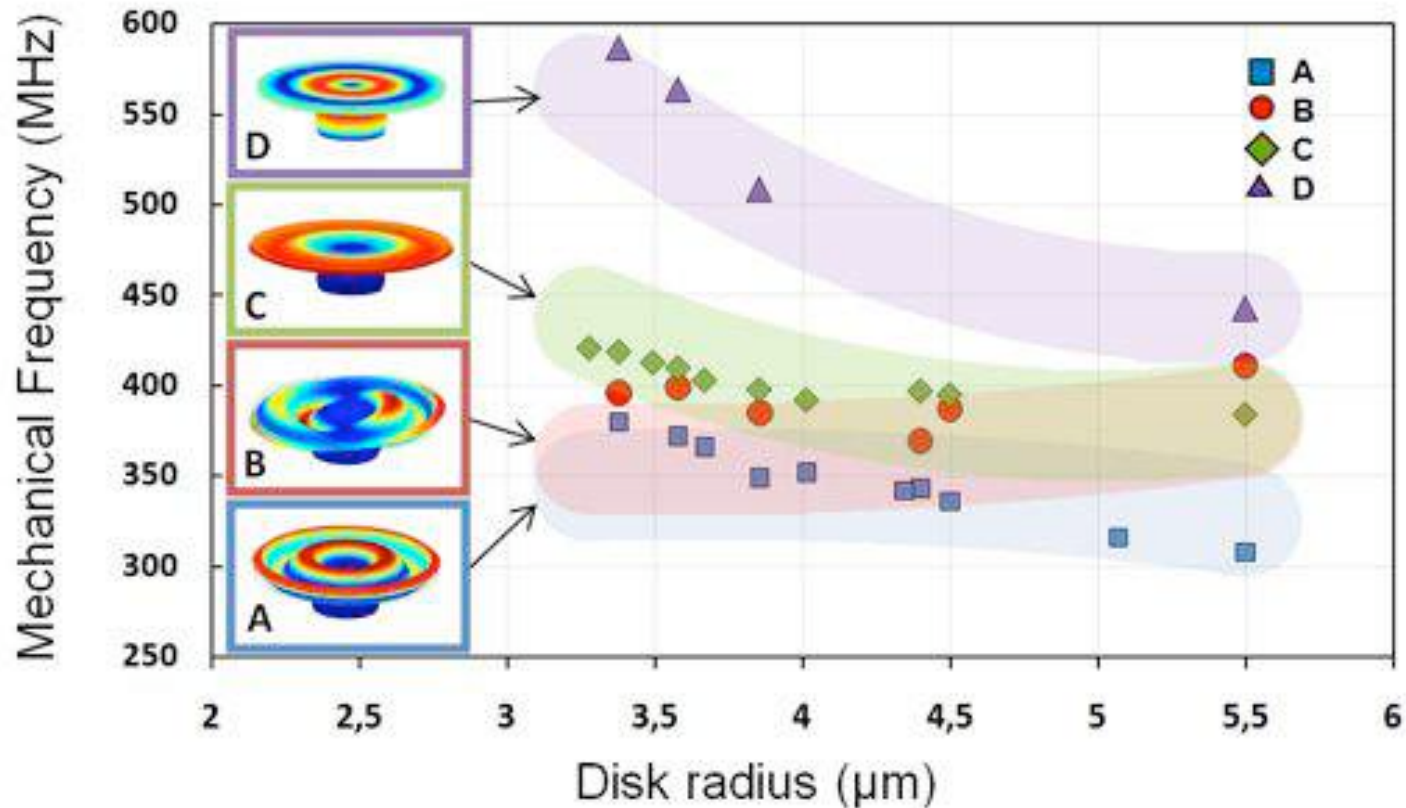


M mechanical azimuthal number

$$g_{\text{om}} = \frac{\omega_0}{4} \times \int (\vec{q} \cdot \vec{n}) \left[\Delta \epsilon |\vec{e}_{\parallel}|^2 - \Delta(\epsilon^{-1}) |\vec{d}_{\perp}|^2 \right] dA$$

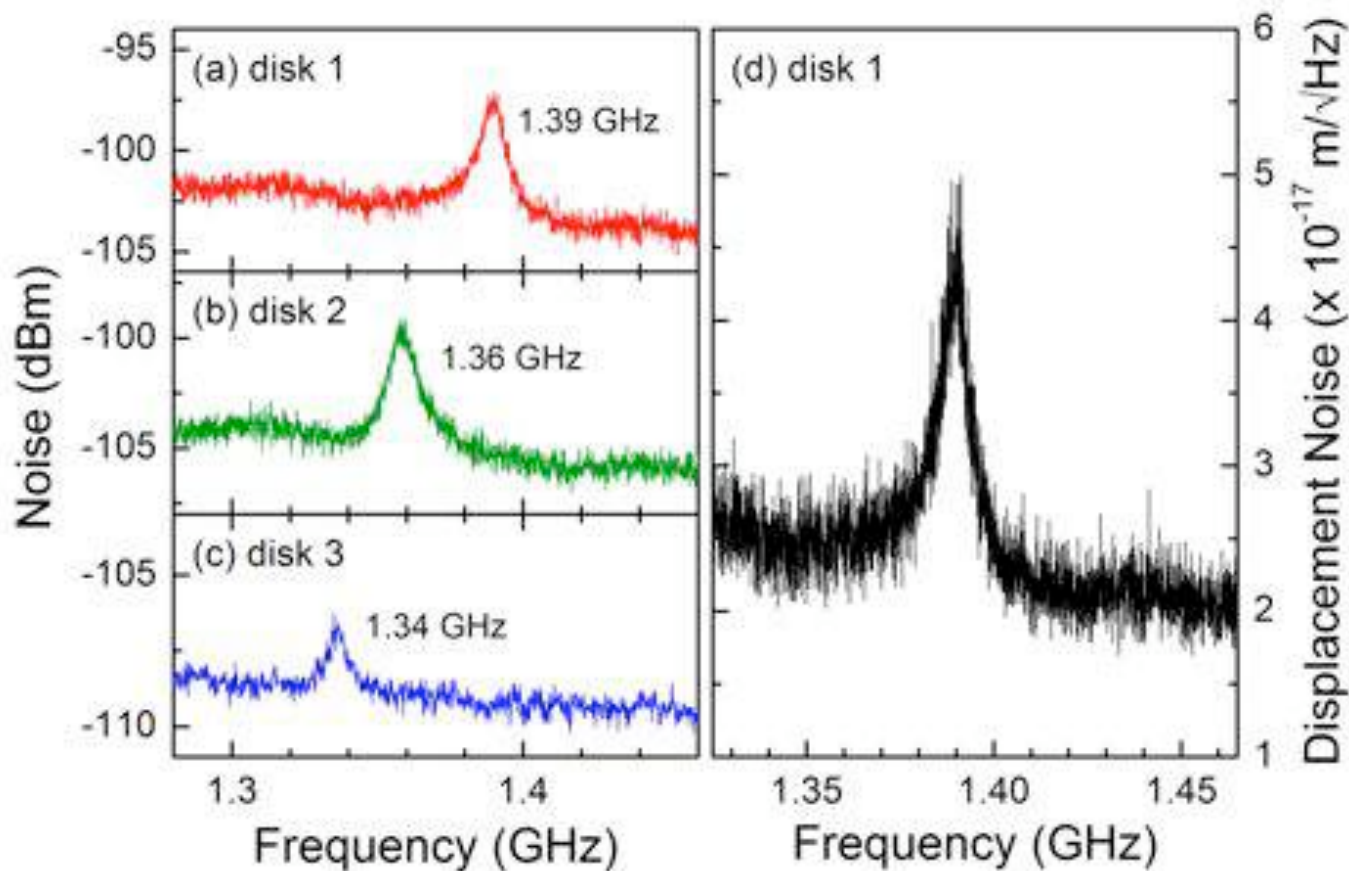
S. G. Johnson et al., Phys. Rev. E 65, 066611 (2002)

Dispersion of disk mechanical modes



L. Ding, C. Baker et al. "High frequency GaAs nano-optomechanical disk resonator"
Phys Rev Lett 105, 263903 (2010)

Disk Mechanical modes above the GHz !



$$Q \times f > 10^{11}$$

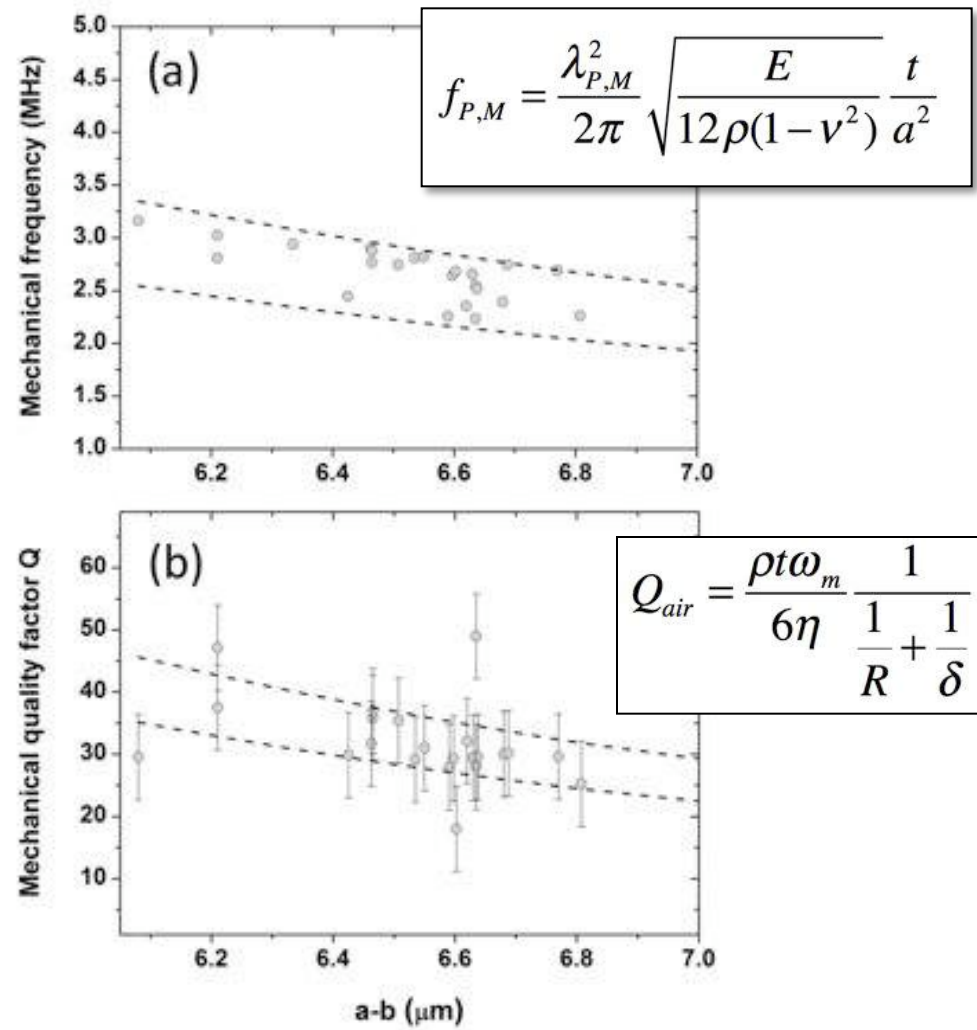
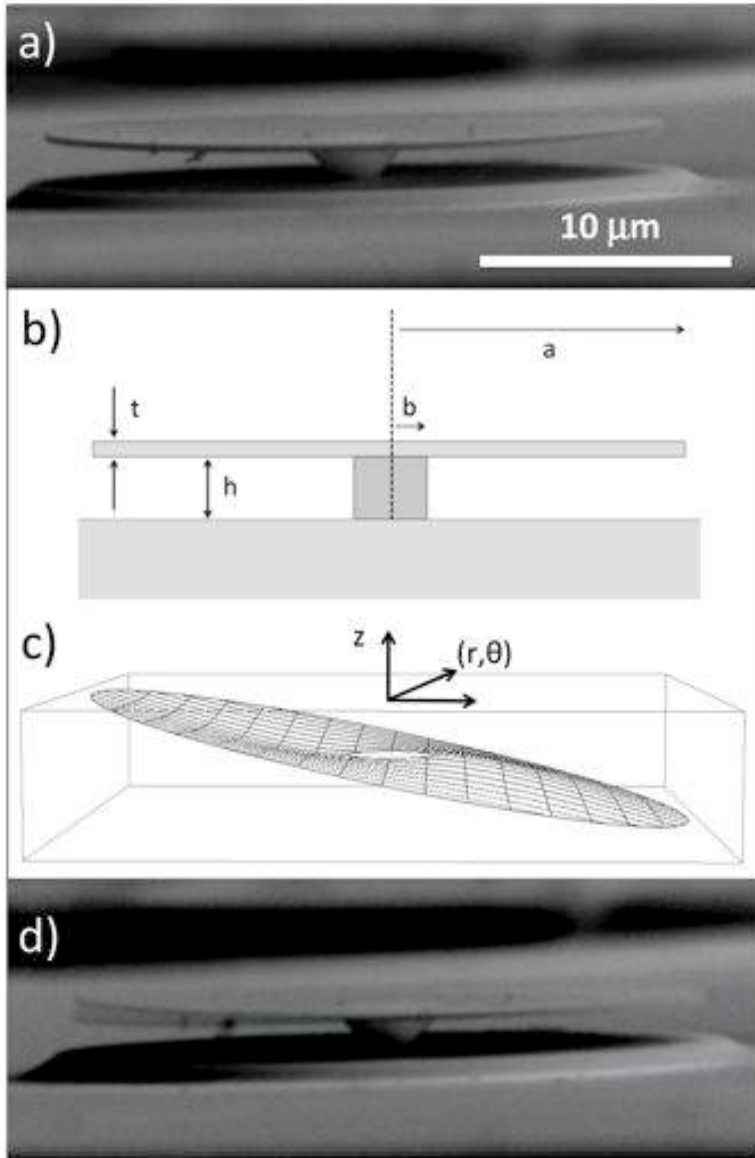
Radius = $1 \mu\text{m}$, Thickness = 200nm , $g_{\text{om}} \approx 600\text{GHz/nm}$, $g_o \approx 1\text{MHz}$
 $g_o = g_{\text{om}} \Delta x_{\text{zpf}}$ vacuum coupling

L. Ding, C. Baker, et al.
 « Wavelength-sized GaAs optomechanical resonators with GHz frequency »
 Applied Physics Letters 98, 113108 (2011).

M. Eichenfield et al. Nature 462, 78 (2009).
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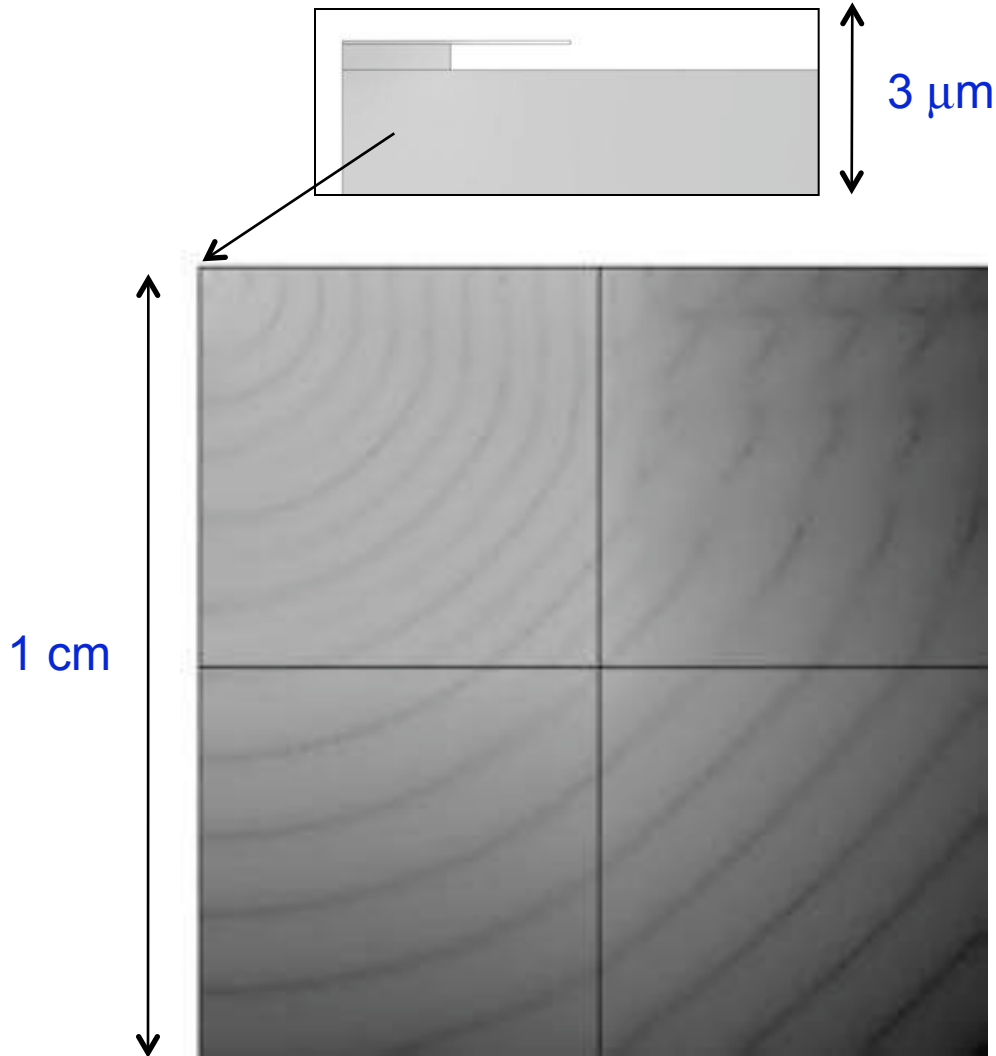
Mechanical dissipation in GaAs disk resonators

Mechanical dissipation of GaAs disk resonators in air



D. Parrain, C. Baker, T. Verdier et al. To appear in APL (2012)

Clamping losses of GaAs disk resonators



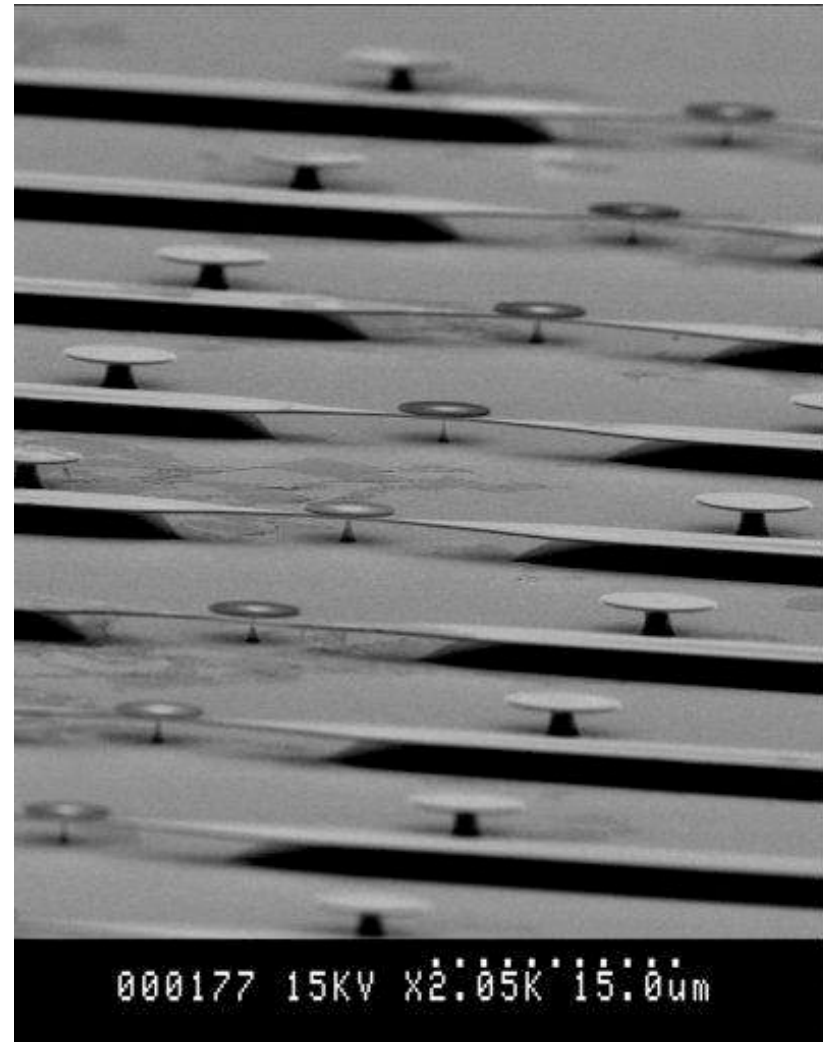
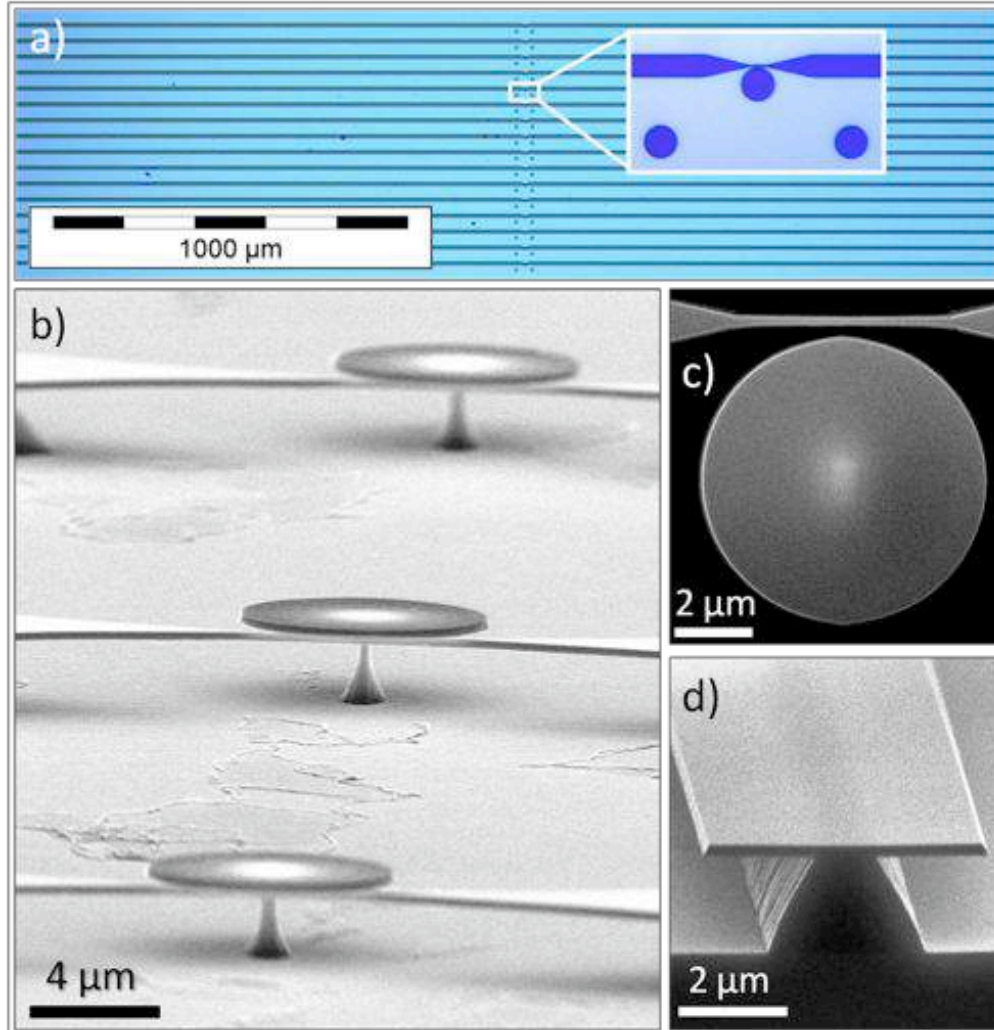
For a GHz disk mode,
Q clamping of the order 10^4 to 10^5

$Q \times f$ between 10^{13} and 10^{14}

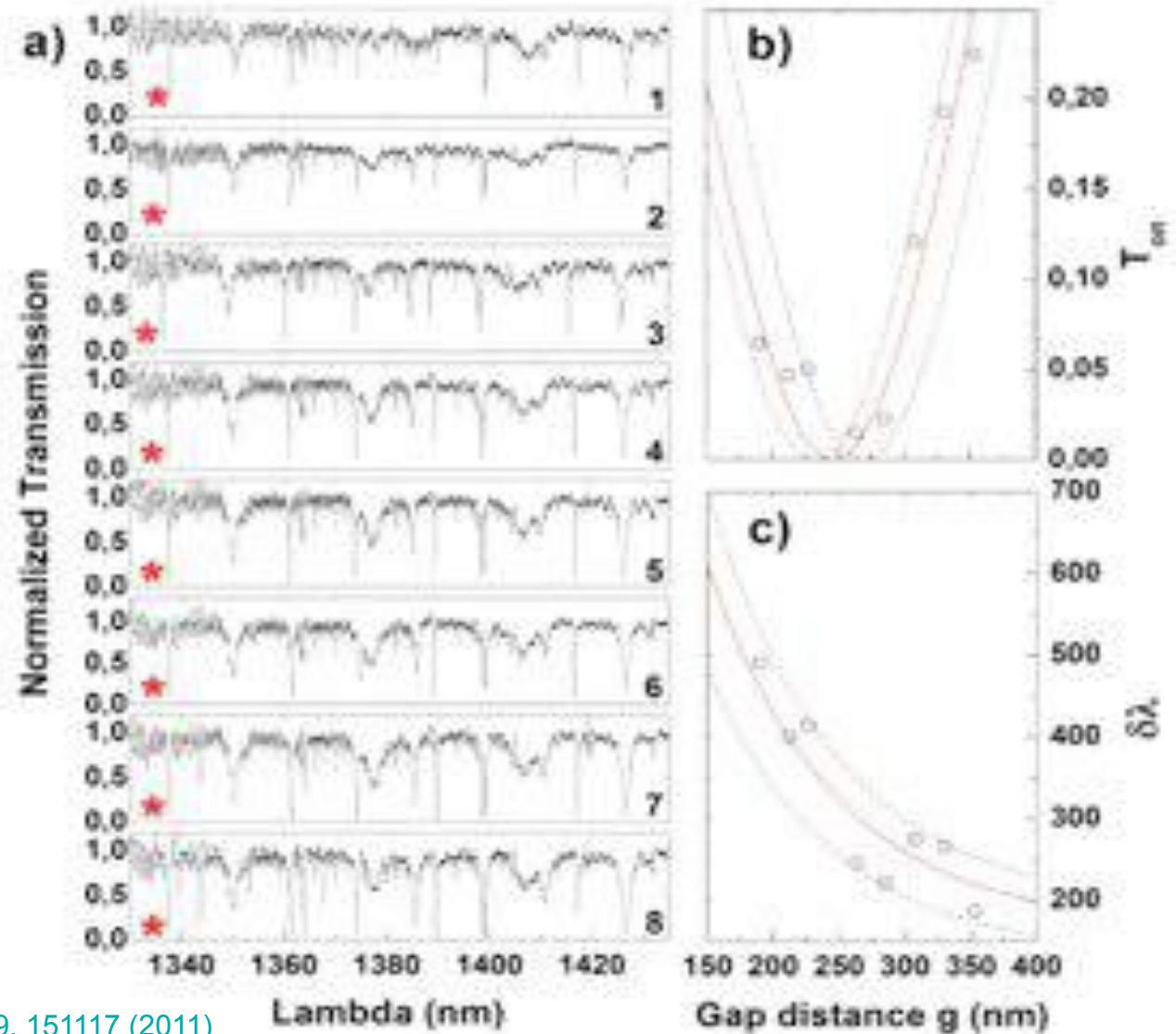
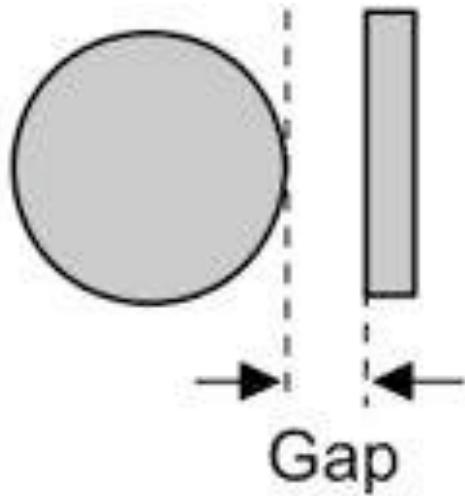
Best $Q \times f$ in the literature:
a few 10^{15} at 2 K, Smagin, A.G. (1974)

Integrated GaAs nano-optomechanics

Integrated GaAs optomechanical resonators

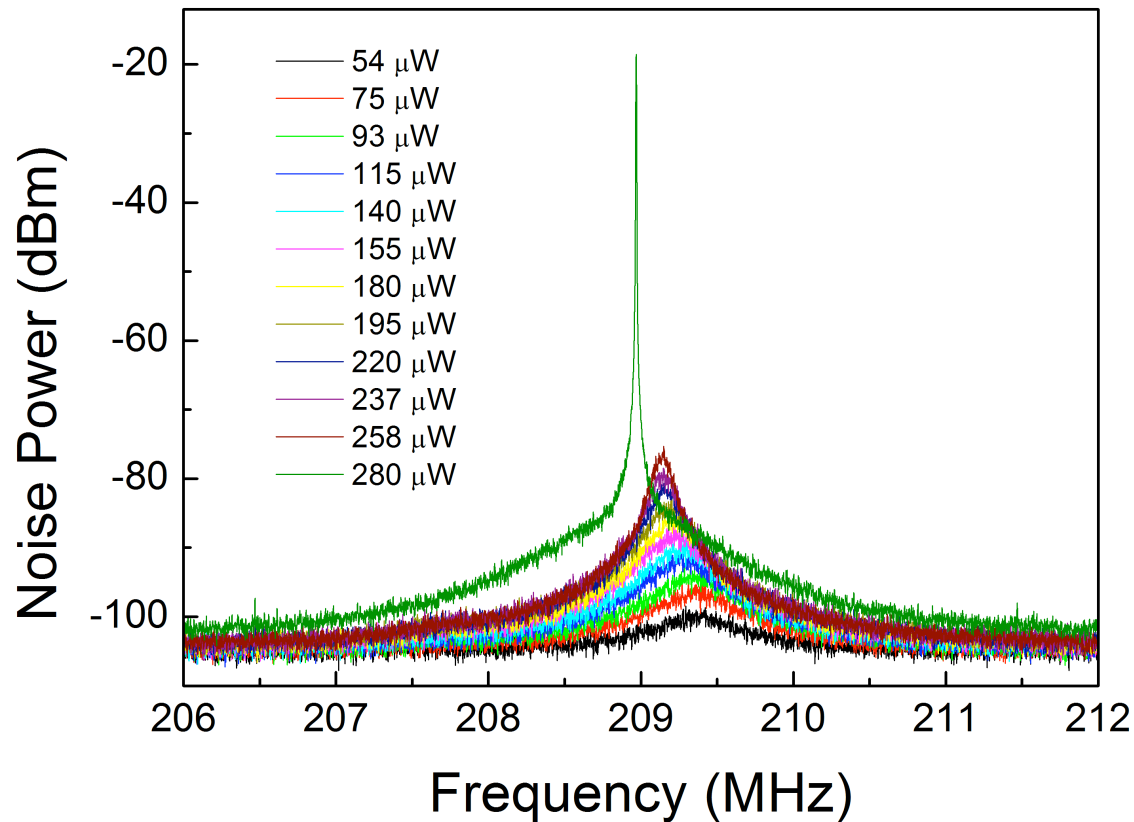


On-chip critical evanescent coupling



Dynamical back-action in GaAs disk resonators

Optomechanical self-oscillation of a GaAs disk



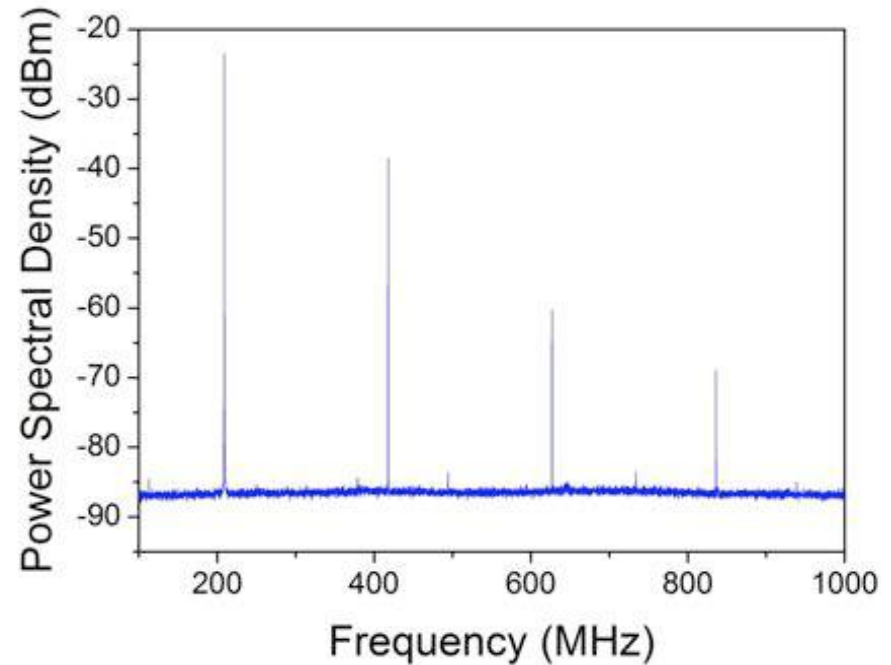
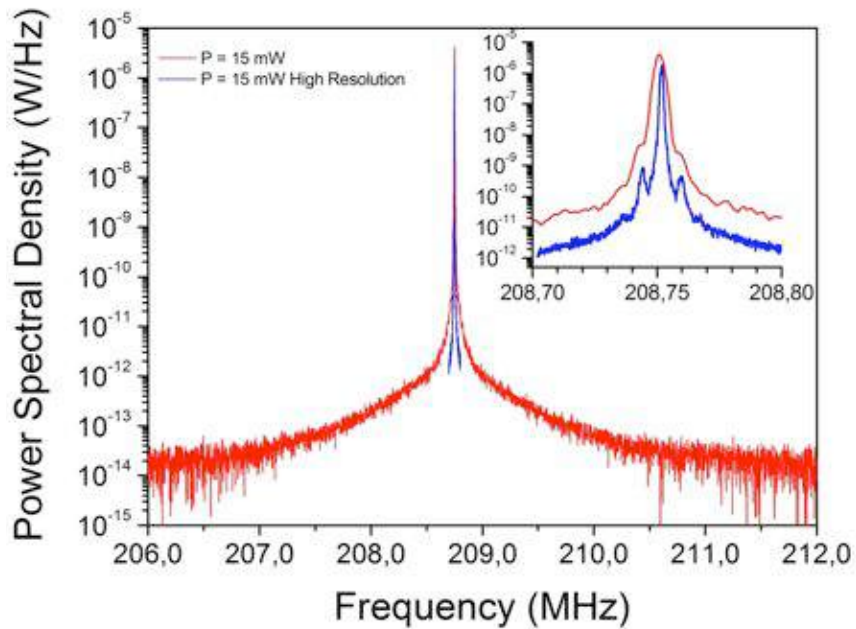
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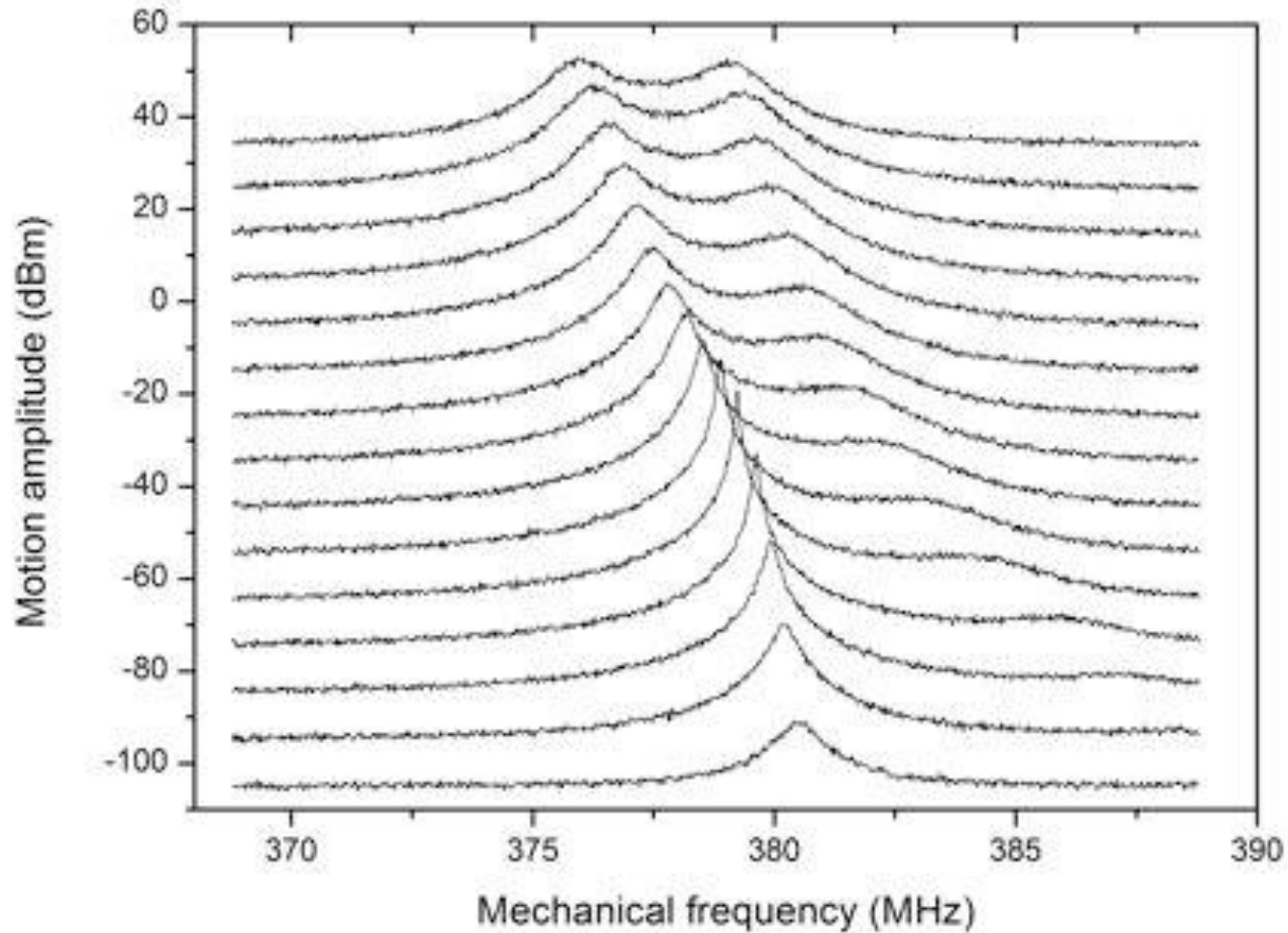
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Optomechanical self-oscillation of a GaAs disk



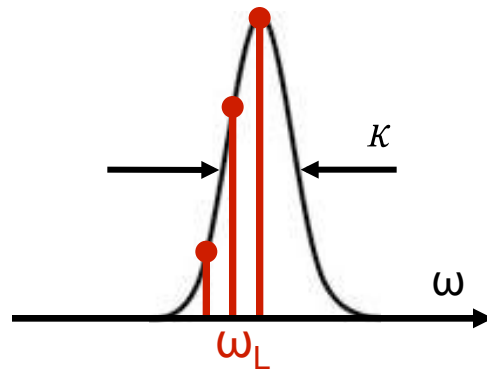
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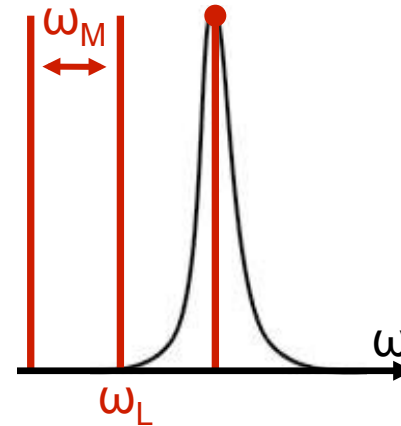
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Perspectives for ground state cooling ?

Radiation pressure



Bad cavity limit $\omega_M < \kappa$



Good cavity limit $\omega_M > \kappa$

Optical Q $\sim 5 \cdot 10^5$

$f_M \sim 2$ GHz

$\lambda \sim 1$ to 1.5 μm

Mechanical Q $\sim 10^4$?



$\omega_M > 5 \cdot \kappa$

$N = 40$ @ 4 Kelvin

$N_{\min} \leq 1/100$

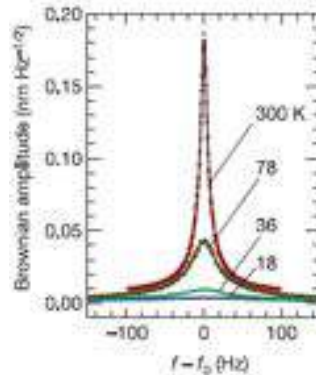
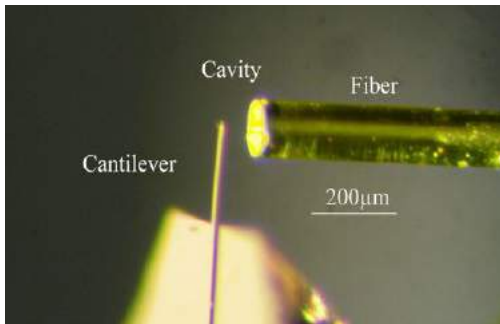
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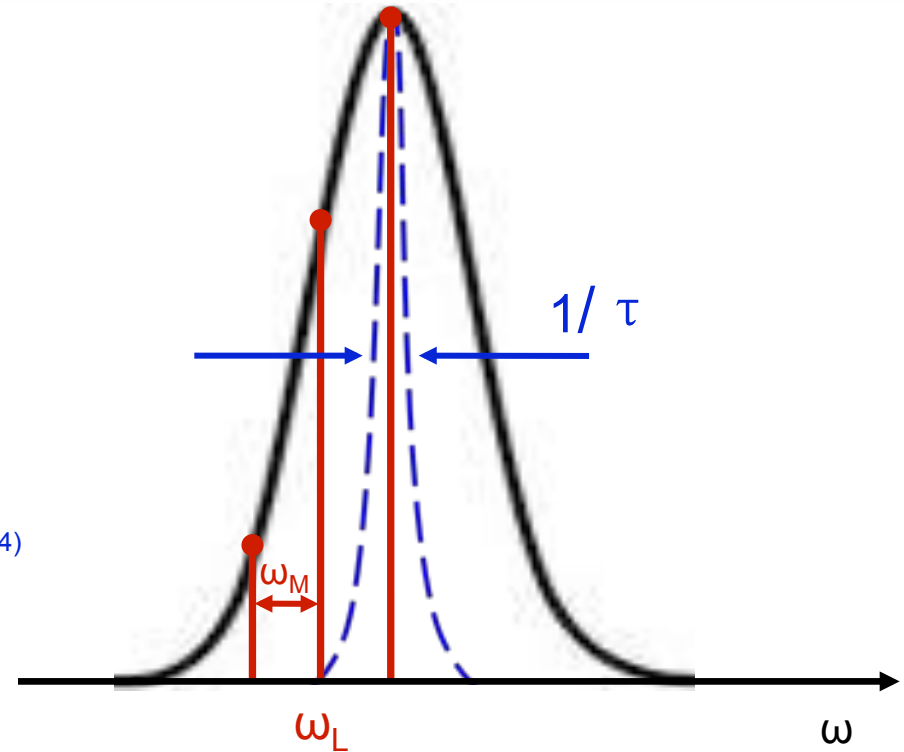
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Cooling by other « dissipative » forces in GaAs ?

Photothermal forces



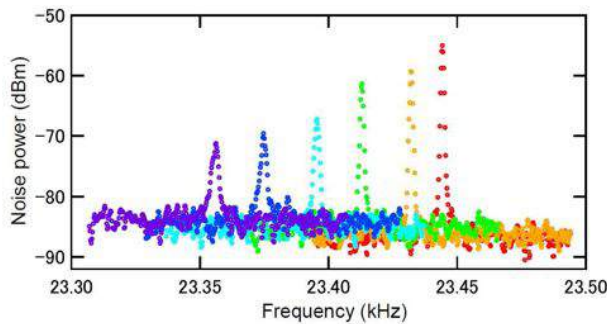
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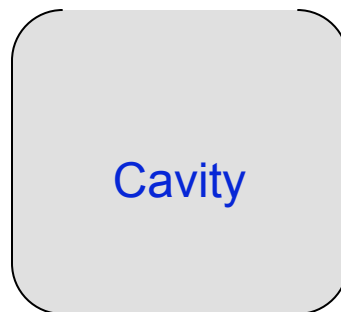
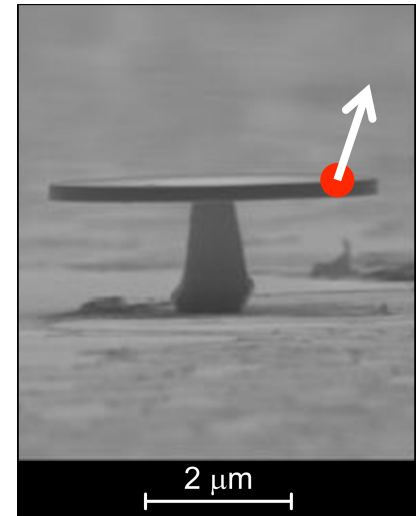
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Conclusions/Perspectives

•GaAs optomechanical resonators

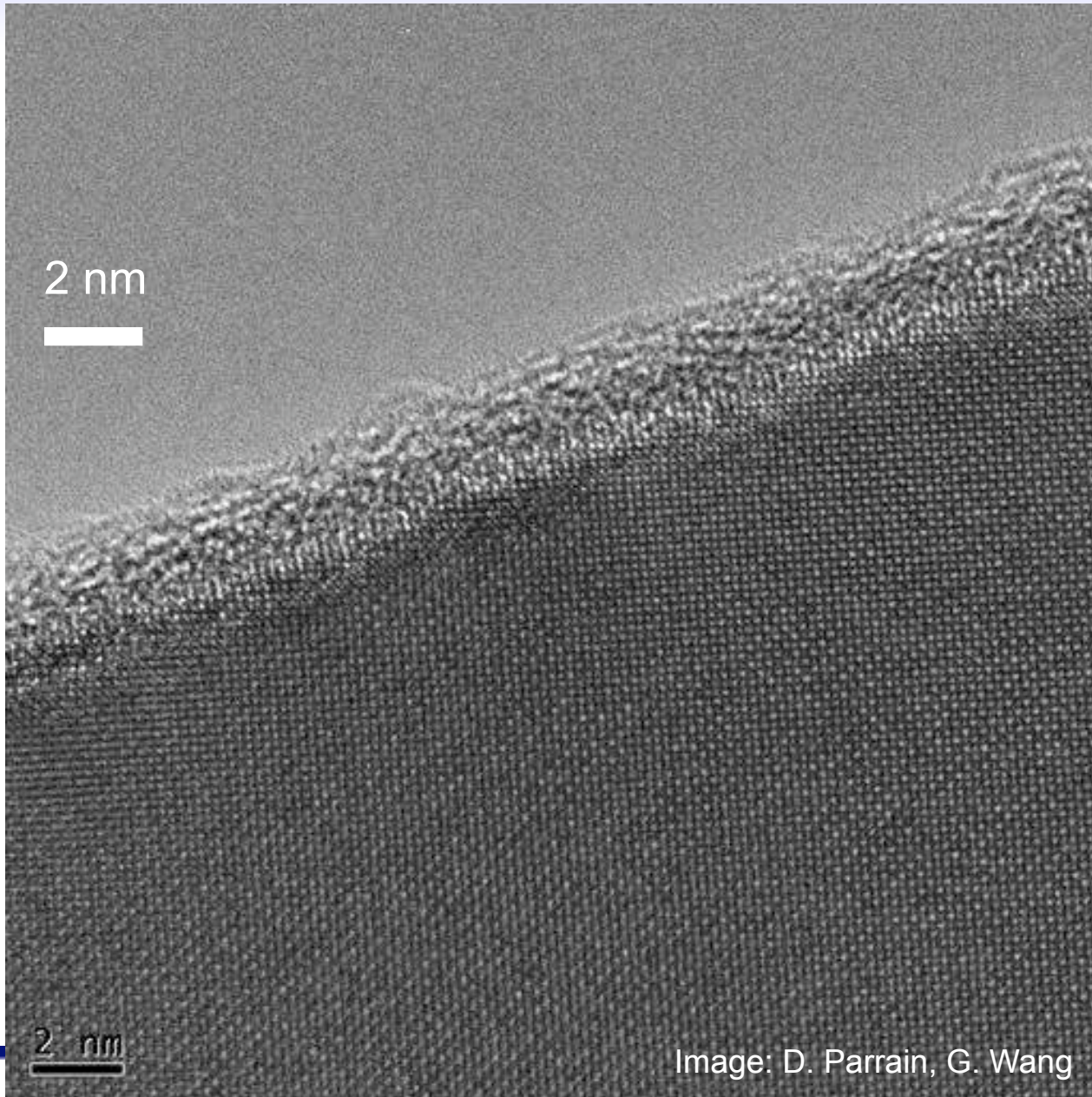
- Motional Sensitivity of 10^{-17} m/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$
- Mechanical modes in the GHz range
- Strong coupling of optics and mechanics
- Optomechanical resonator with a single quantum dot



Atom



Optical dissipation: TEM analysis



$\sigma=0.15$ nm (RMS)
 $L_c=0.91$ nm

Optical Q of 10^7 - 10^9



Surface Absorption



Surface Passivation

Image: D. Parrain, G. Wang

Thank you
