

# Current status and future plan on radiation pressure experiment

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# Abstract

- Our goal is to observe radiation pressure fluctuation acting on a massive mechanical oscillator.
- We use a bar-shaped mirror as a torsion pendulum. Two optical cavities are constructed on both edges.
- We succeed in locking two cavities simultaneously with high power. Higher power by a few and better sensitivity by two orders are needed towards the goal.

# Motivation

Observation of quantum  
radiation pressure fluctuation

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R&D for GW detectors

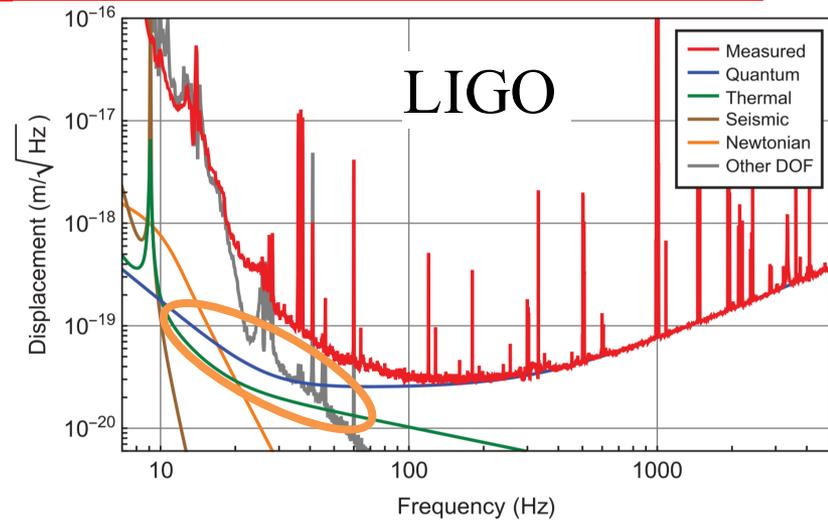
Macroscopic quantum  
mechanics

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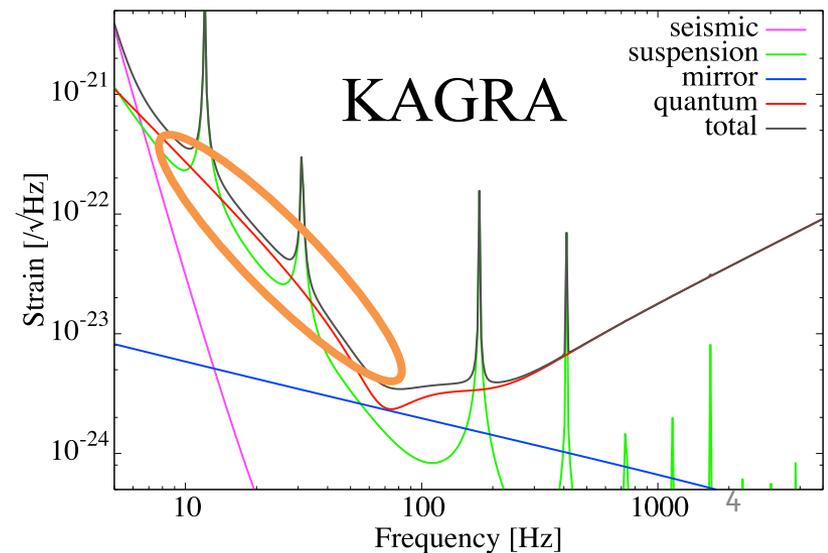
- Frequency region around 10-100 Hz is the most important for inspiral range.
- Sensitivities will be limited by radiation pressure noise.



- It is important to observe and reduce radiation pressure noise.

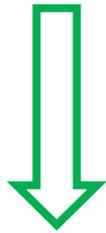


Abbott+ (2016)

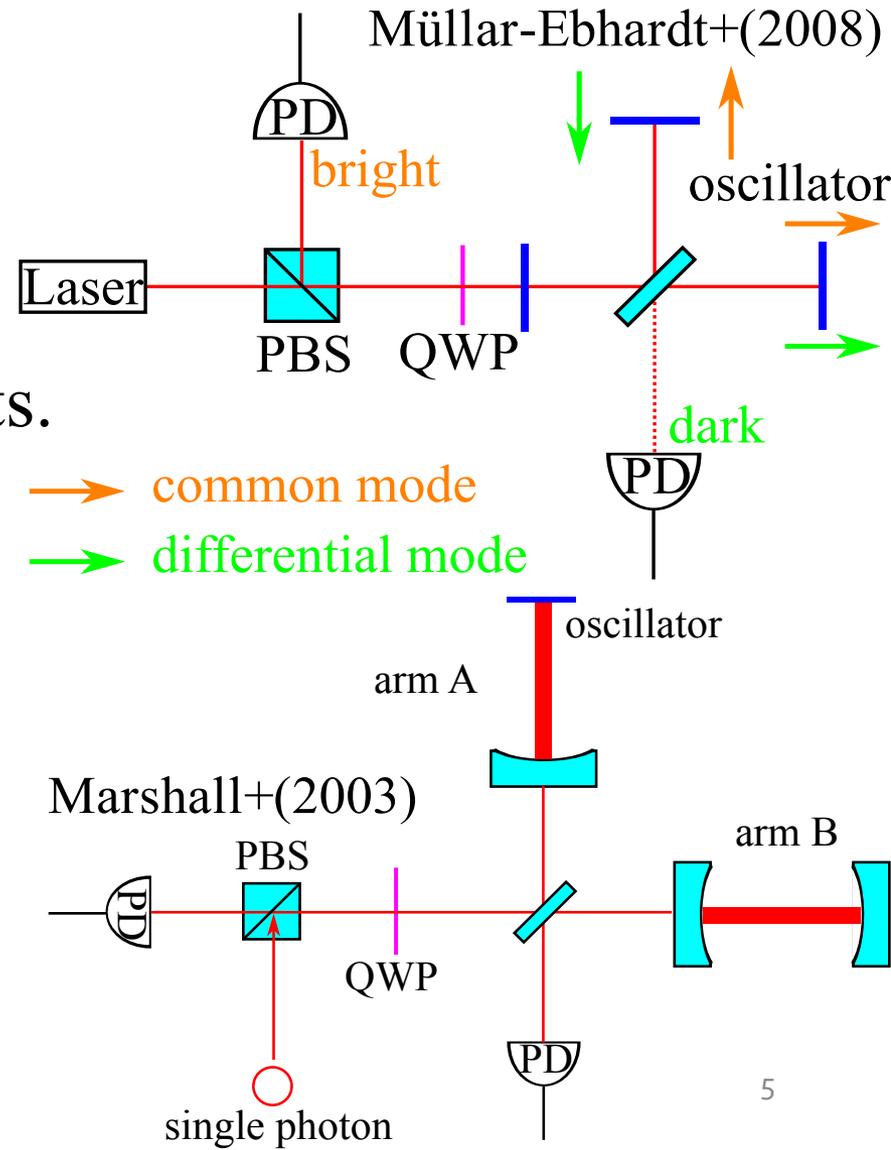


# Macroscopic quantum mechanics

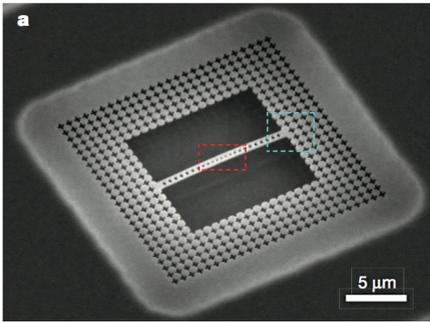
- Optomechanics: A massive oscillator coupled with laser light.
- Superposition states for positions of macroscopic objects.



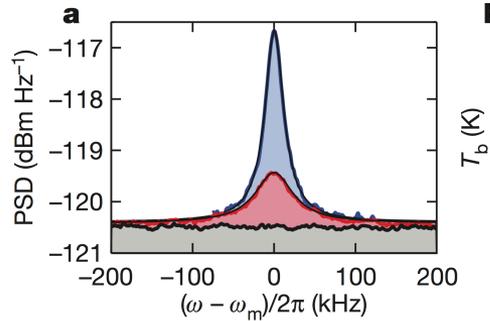
- Necessary condition is ground state cooling and observing radiation pressure noise.



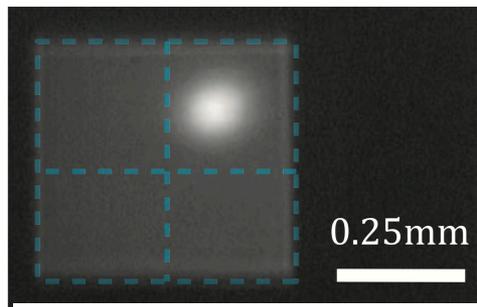
# Previous works



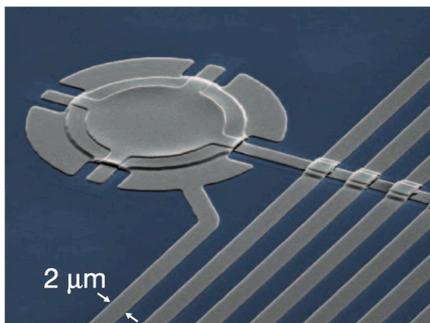
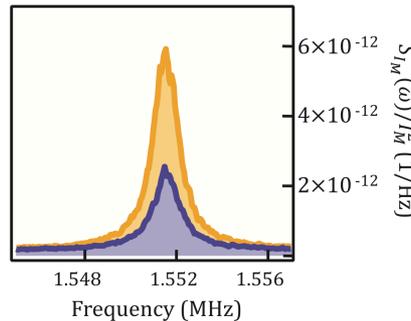
Chan+ (2011),  $m = 311$  fg,  $f = 3.68$  GHz



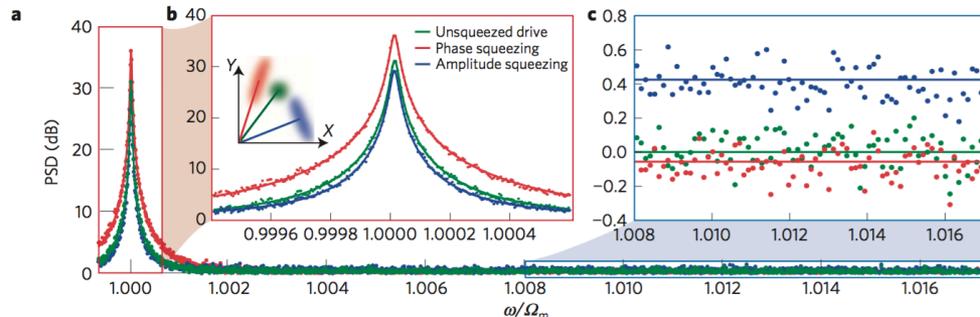
➤ Some oscillators has been driven by radiation pressure noise and even reached its quantum ground state.



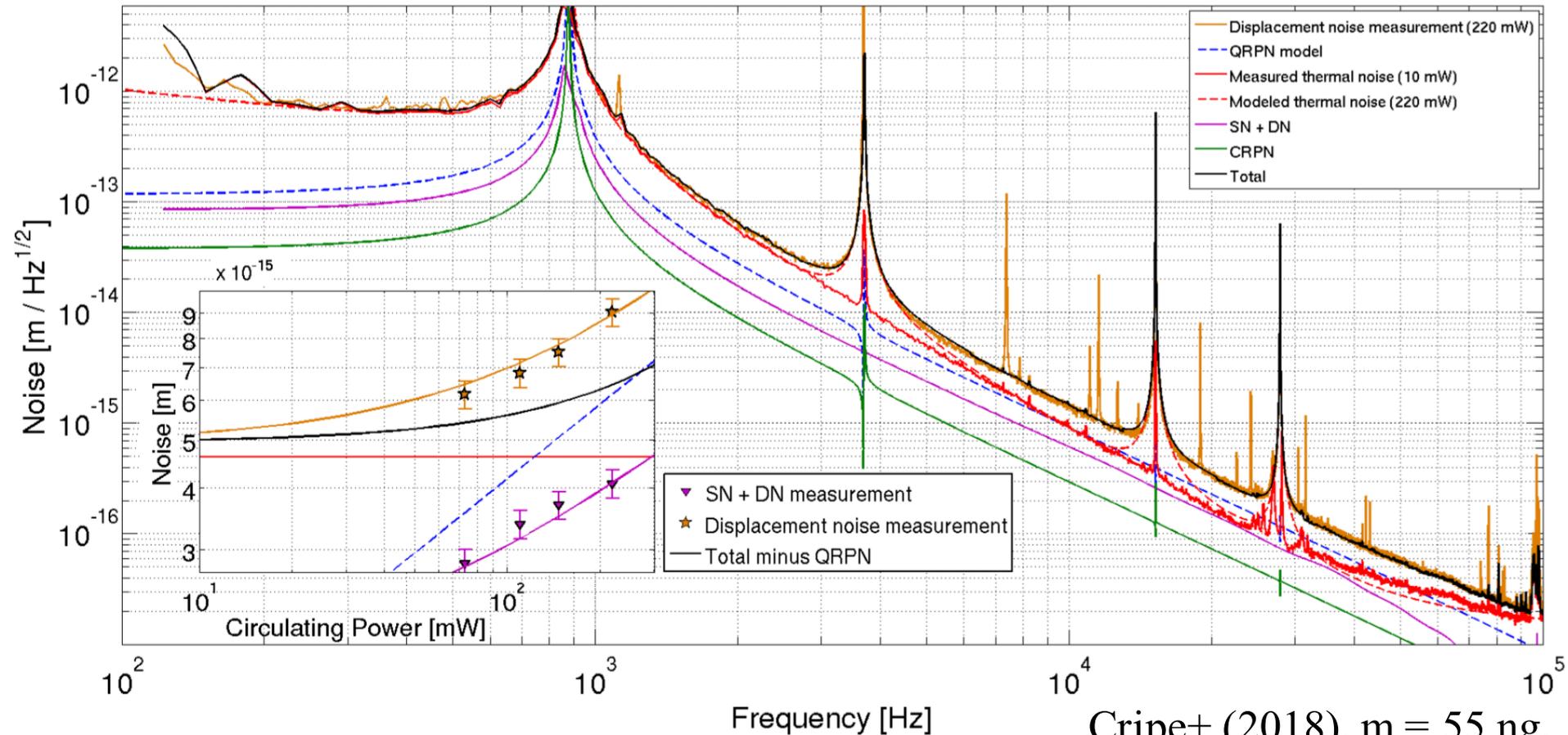
Purdy+ (2013),  $m = 7$  ng,  $f = 1.55$  MHz



Teufel+ (2011,2016),  $m = 48$  pg,  $f = 10.56$  MHz



# Previous works



Cripe+ (2018),  $m = 55$  ng,  
 $f = 10 \sim 100$  kHz

- Finally broad-band measurement has been realized!
- Observation below the resonant frequency.

# Remaining challenges

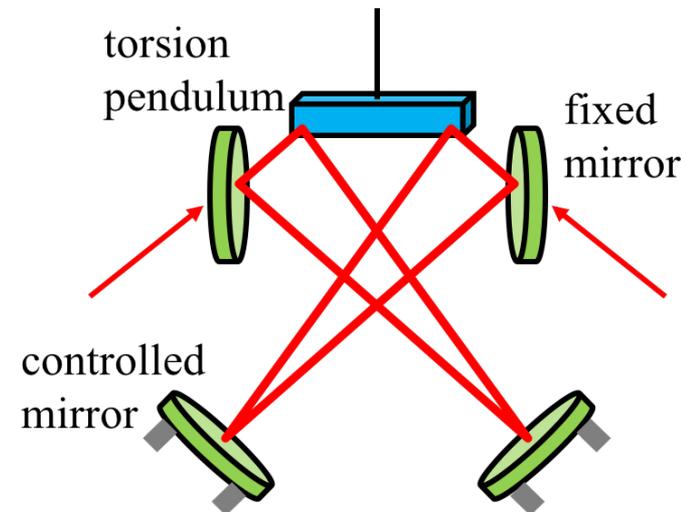
- Over GW-detector band  $10 \sim 1$  kHz
- With a heavier oscillator
- In free mass range, which is especially needed for reaching SQL and ground state

# Method

- ✓ A bar-shaped tiny mirror as a torsion pendulum with two cavities at the both edges
- ✓ Measuring rotational mode by subtracting displacement of two cavity length

## ➤ Advantages

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- Common mode rejection of classical noise
- Light effective mass



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- Thermal noise in force

$$S_{th} = \sqrt{\frac{4k_B T_{th} m \omega_m^2 \phi}{\omega}}$$

structure:  $1/f$  e.g., **suspension**

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viscous: flat e.g., residual gas

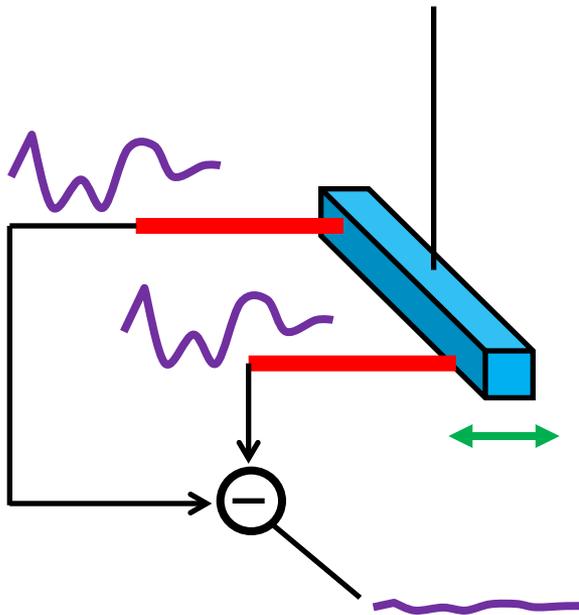
loss angle  $\phi$ : 1<sup>st</sup> order  
res. freq.  $\omega_m$ : **2<sup>nd</sup> order**

- Low res. freq. is better even at the cost of Q-value.

➡ Torsion pendulum

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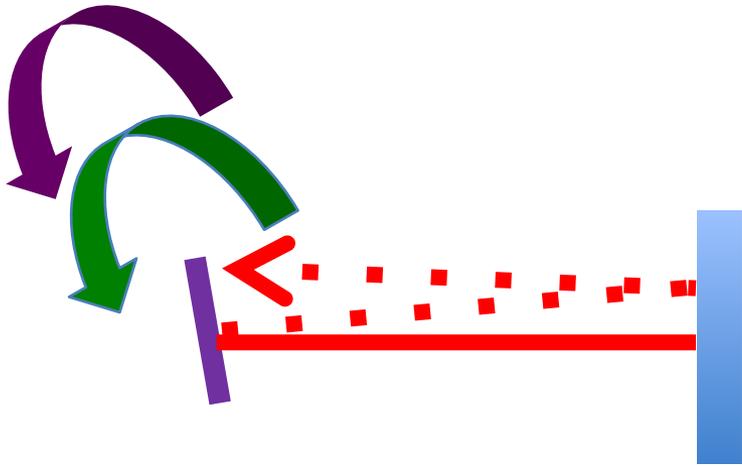


Laser frequency, intensity noise, vibration noise, etc.

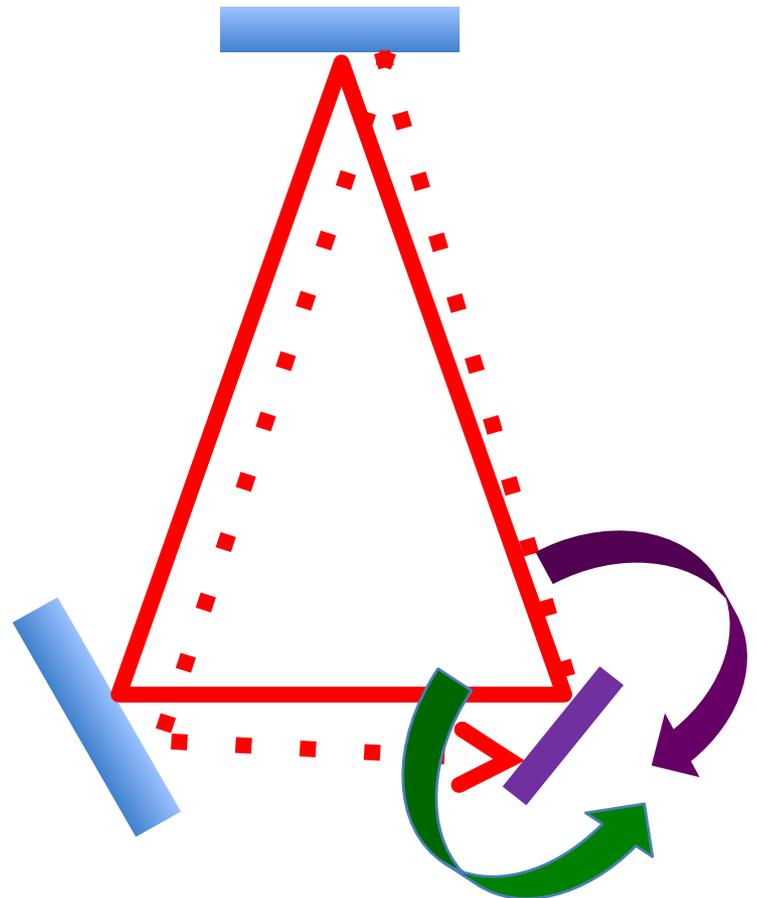
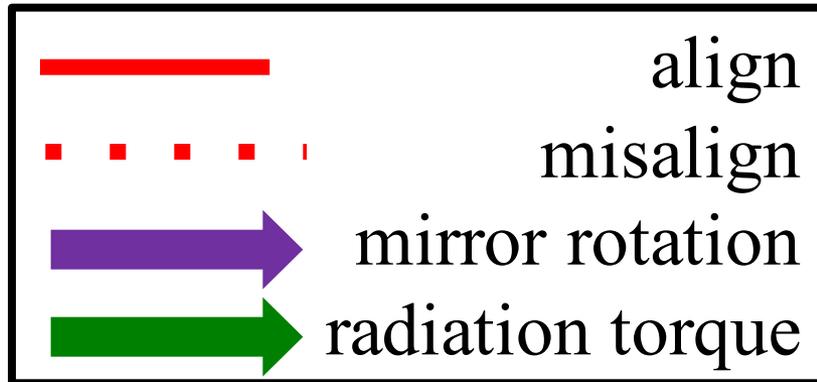
- All translational noises are reduced by subtracting signals from two cavities.
- Only quantum radiation pressure noise contributes to the subtracting (rotational) signal.

Moment of inertia:  $I = \frac{1}{12} ML^2$  → Effective mass is divided by a factor of 12.

# Triangle cavity

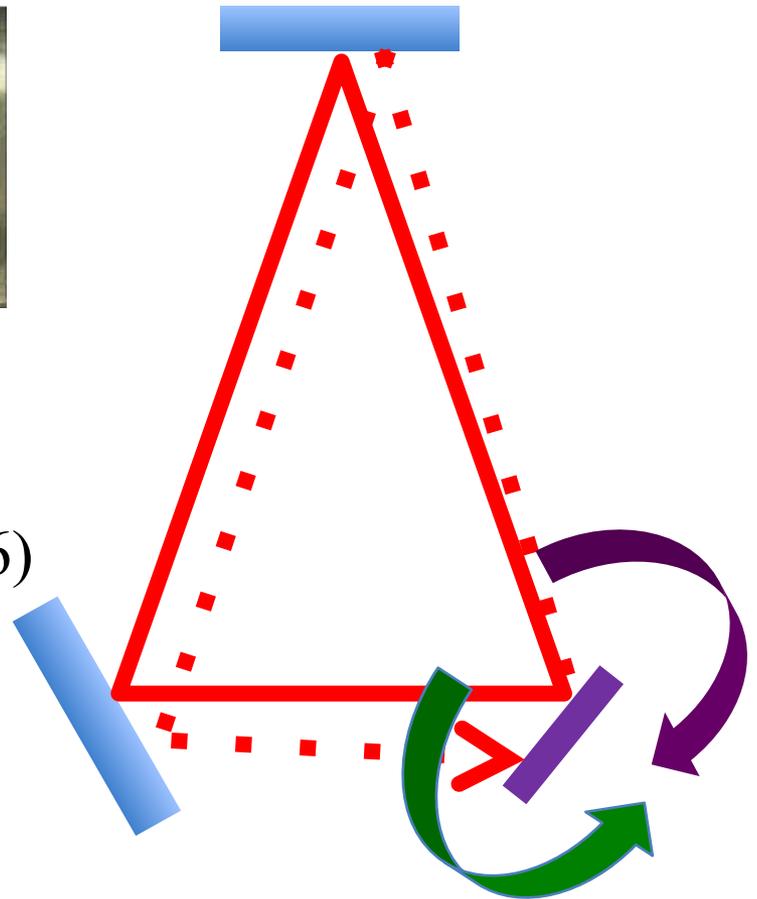
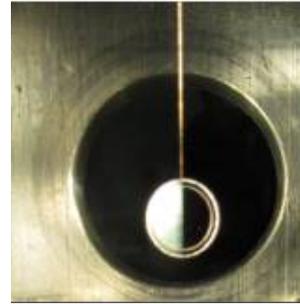
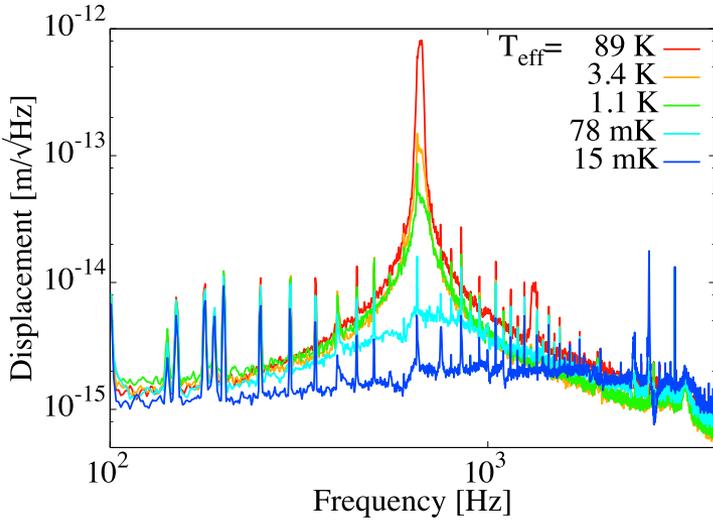


linear: Sidles-Sigg instability

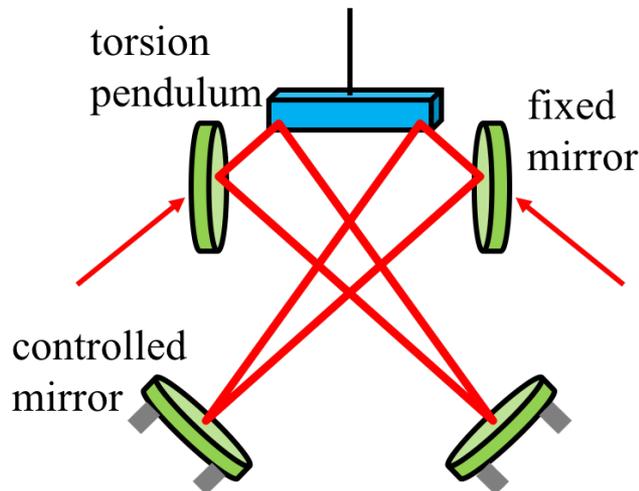


triangle: stable!

# Triangle cavity



Our group: Matsumoto, Komori+ (2016)

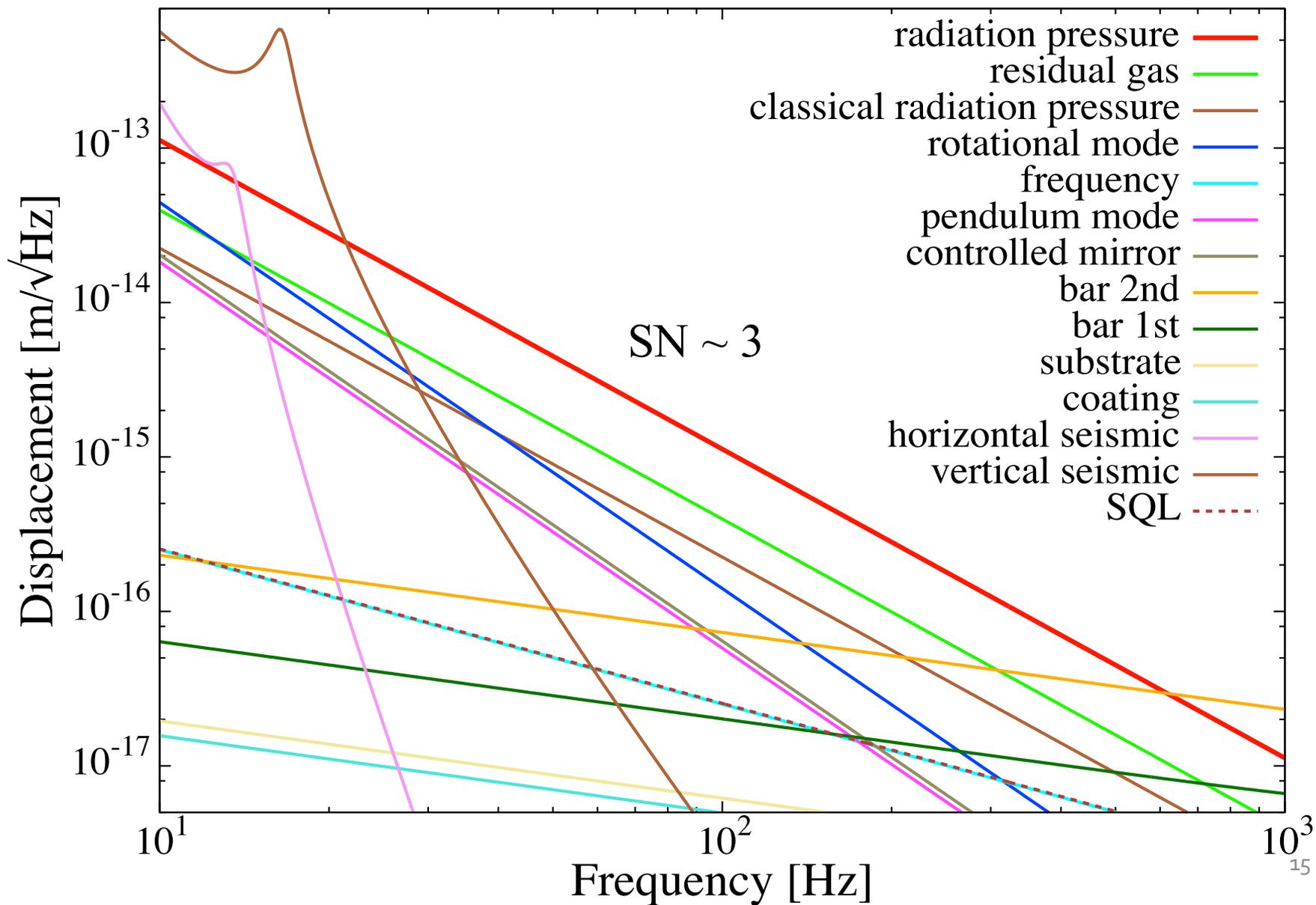


Two triangle cavities have a positive torque spring.

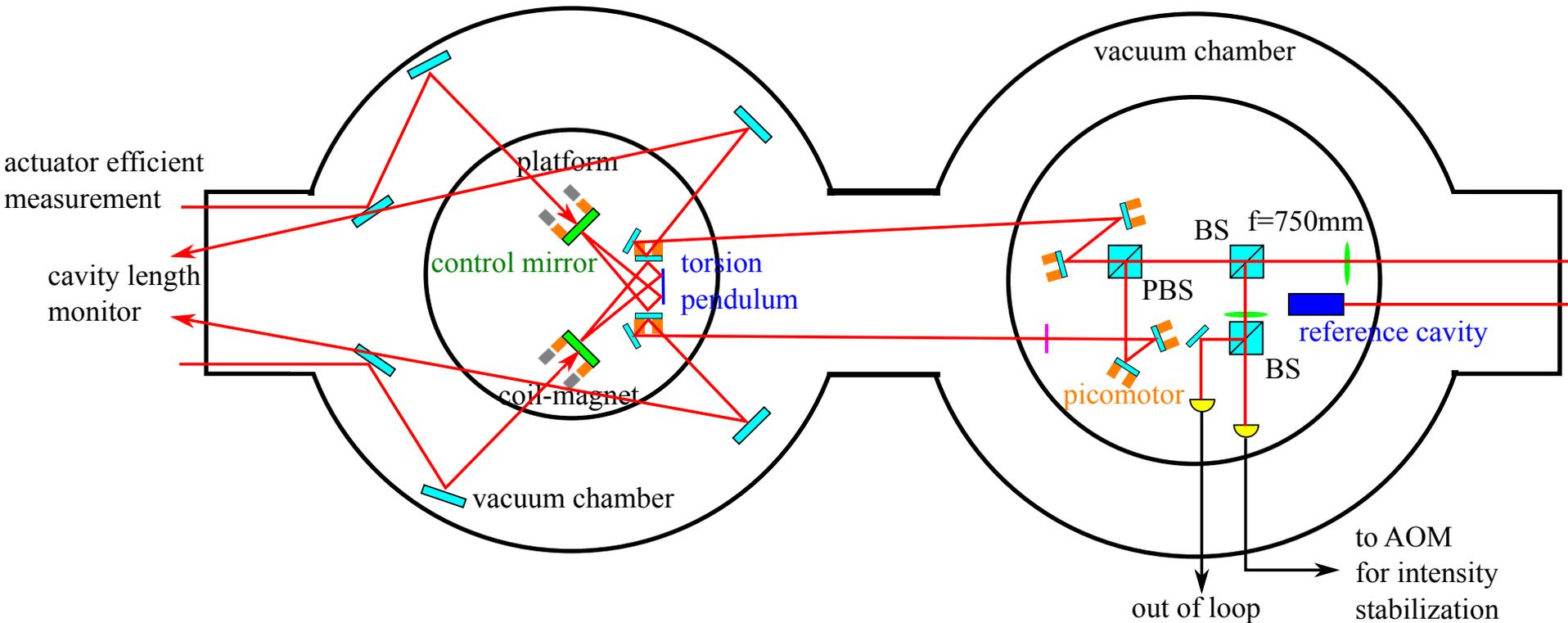
# Parameters

- Finesse: 2000
- Input power: 20 mW
- Rotational resonant frequency: 70 mHz
- Rotational Q: 2000
- Pendulum Q: 50000
- Pressure:  $2 \times 10^{-4}$  Pa
- Frequency noise:  $100/f$  Hz/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$
- Intensity noise:  $1 \times 10^{-8}$  / $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$
- Cavity round trip length: 10 cm
- Common mode rejection ratio: 1/10

# Design Sensitivity



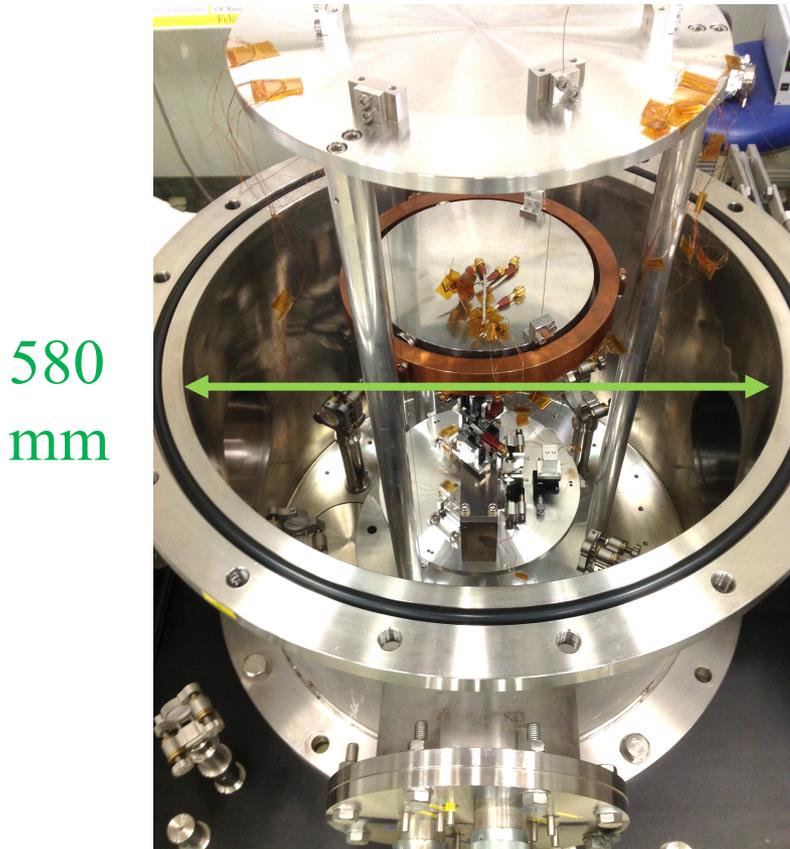
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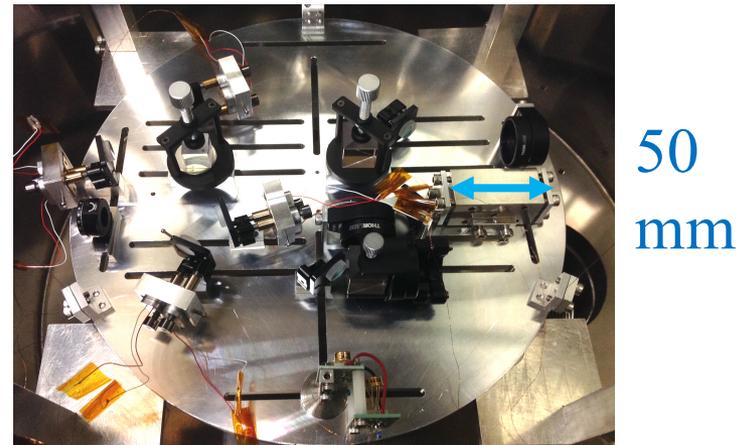
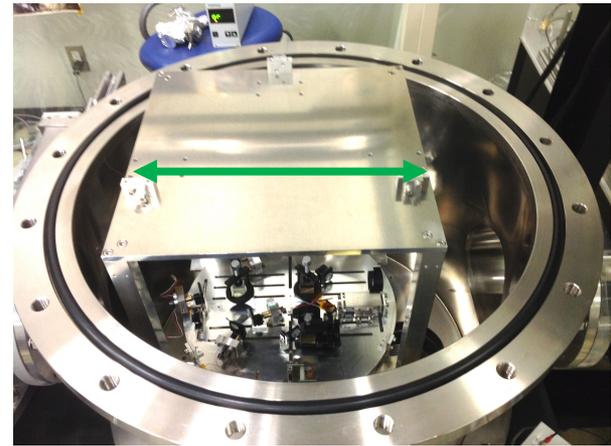
- Main cavity
- Each michelson interferometer for measurement of actuator efficiency

- Intensity stabilization with an AOM
- Frequency stabilization with reference cavity
- Sterring

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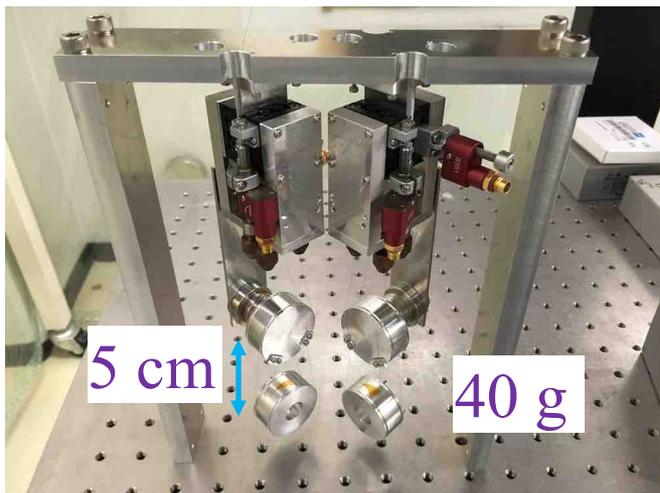
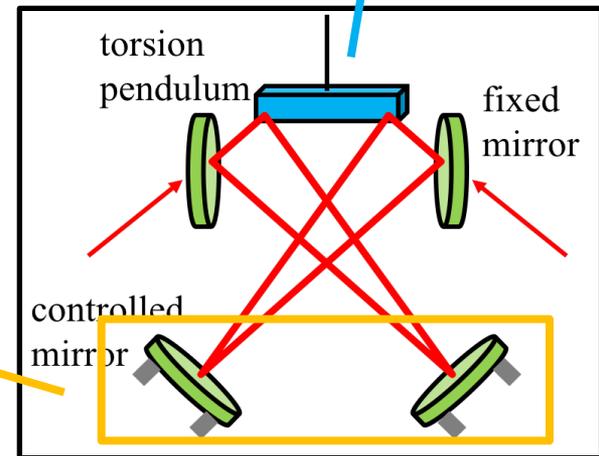
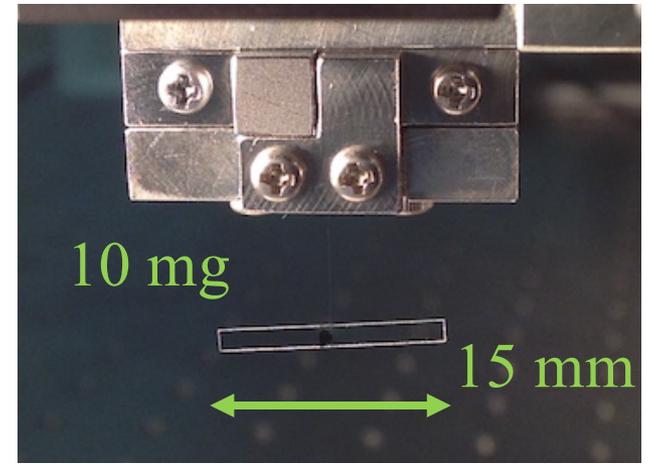
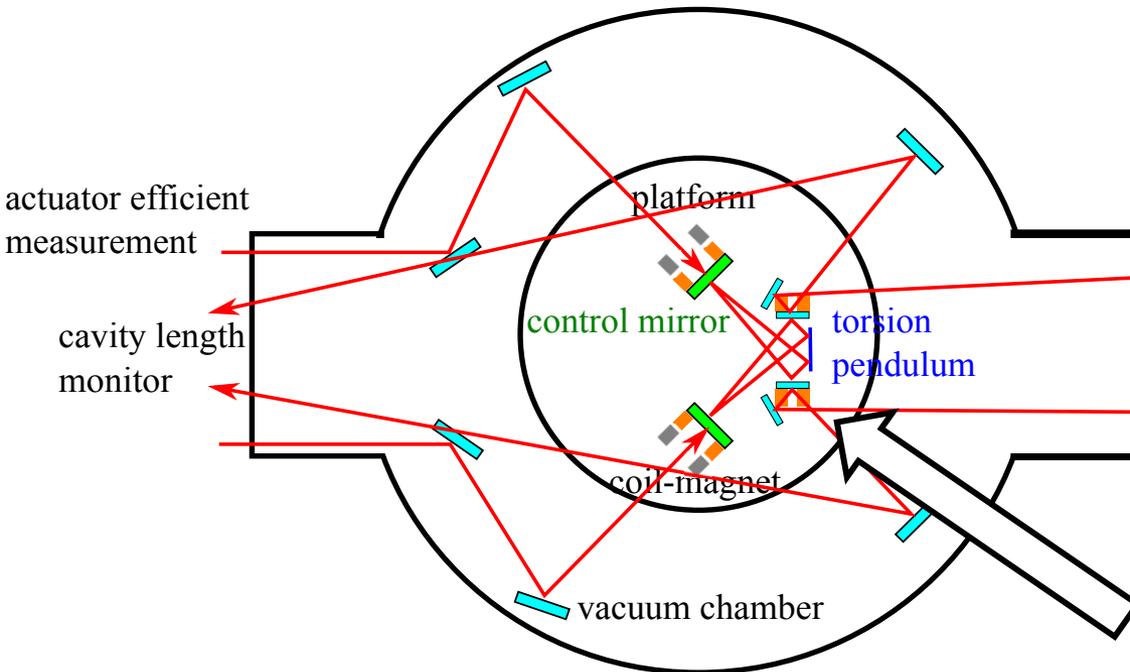
300 mm



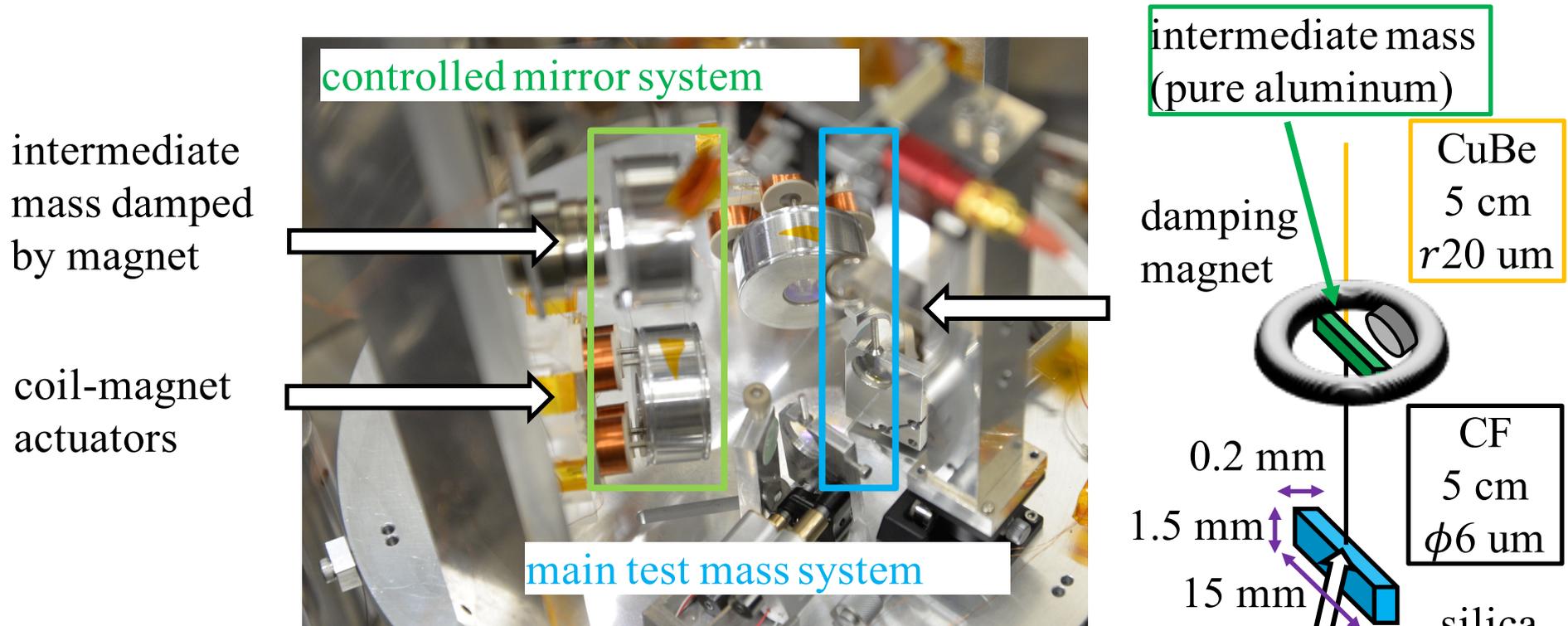
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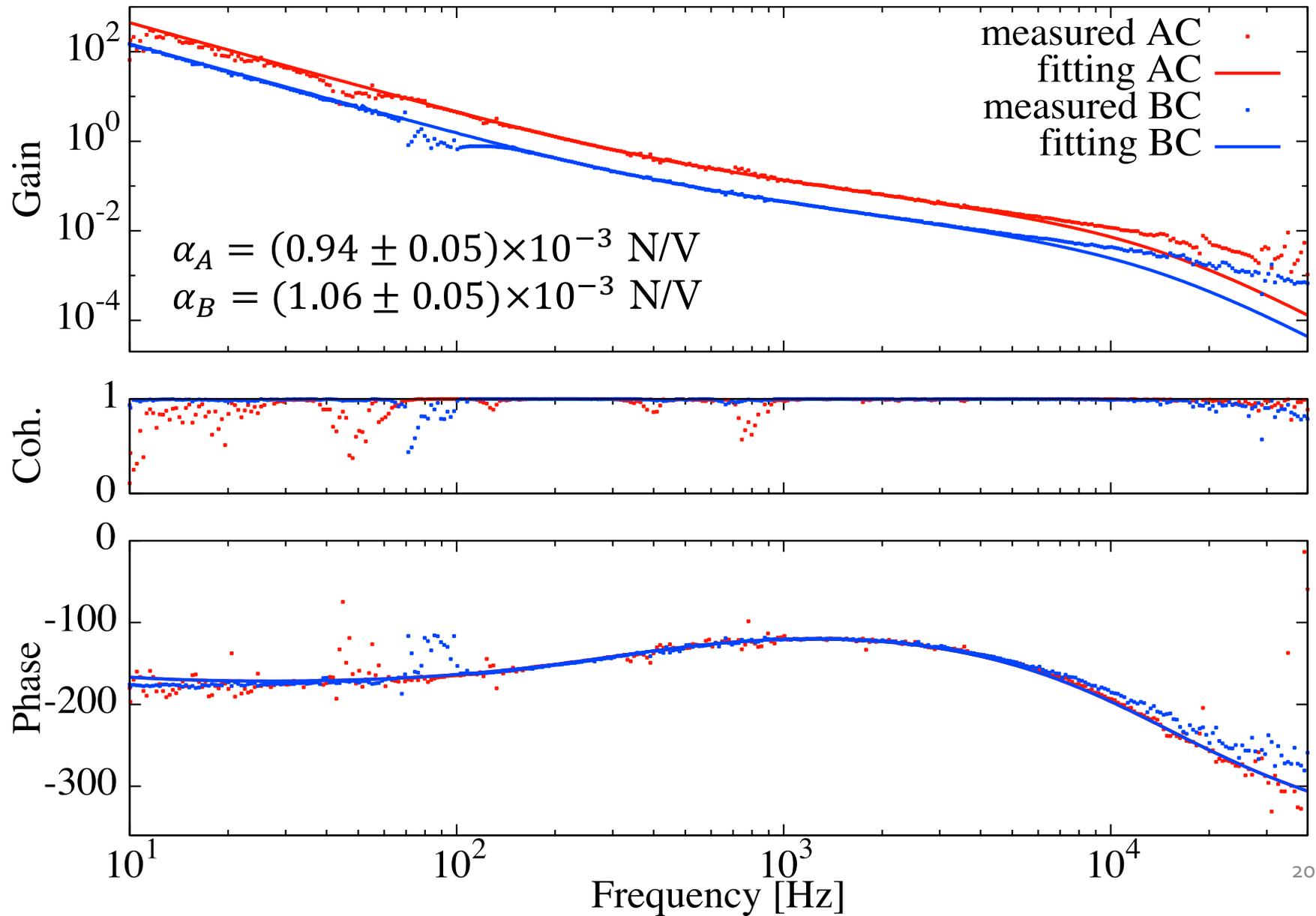
## ➤ Suspension fiber: Carbon Fiber

- Thin  $\phi \sim 6 \mu\text{m}$
- Low Young's modulus
- Similar intrinsic Q-value as tungsten around 2000

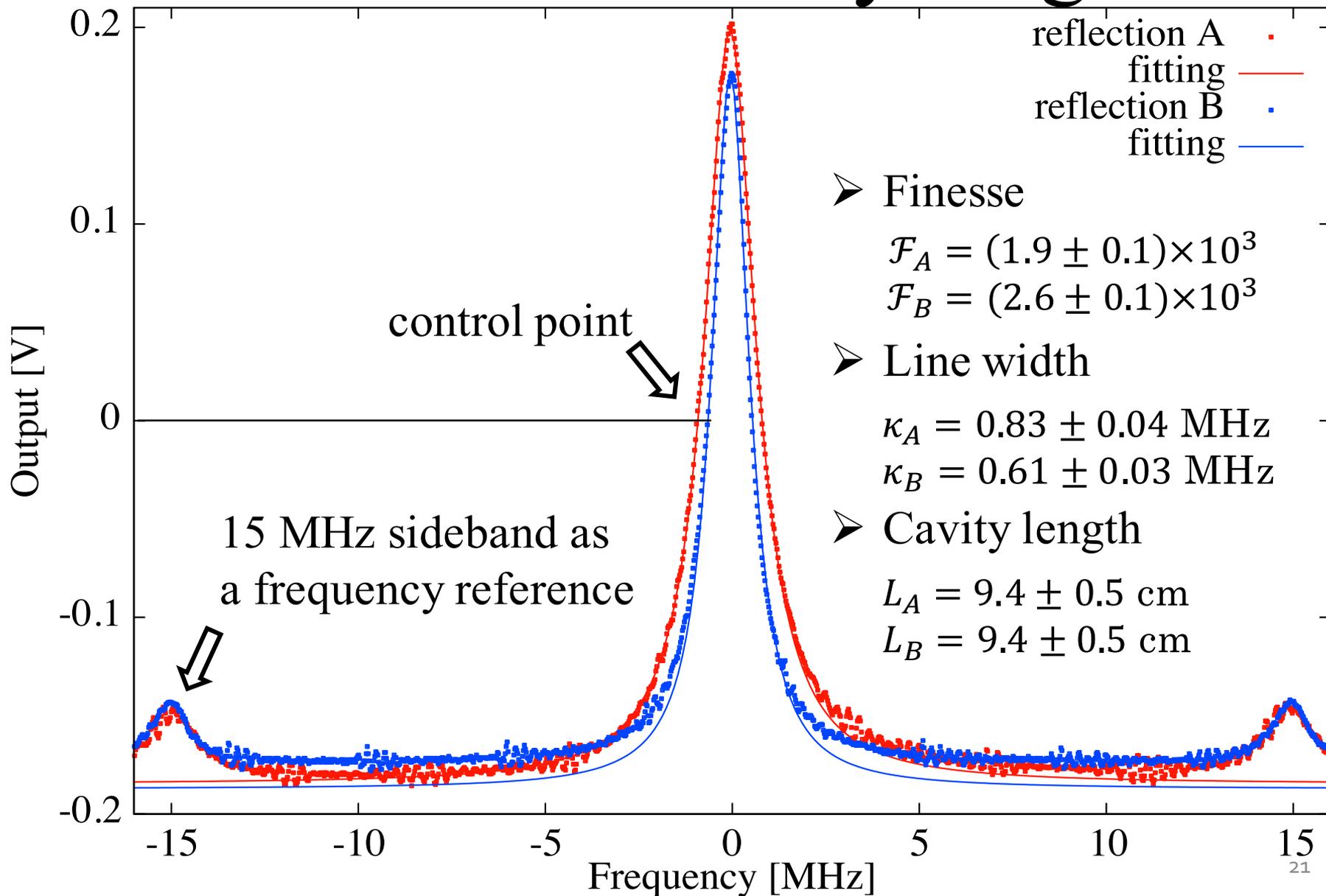
$$S_{th} = \sqrt{\frac{4k_B T_{th} I \omega_m^2}{Q \omega}}$$

$$I \omega_m^2 = \frac{\pi G \phi^4}{32l} \implies \frac{\omega_m}{2\pi} \sim 70 \text{ mHz}$$

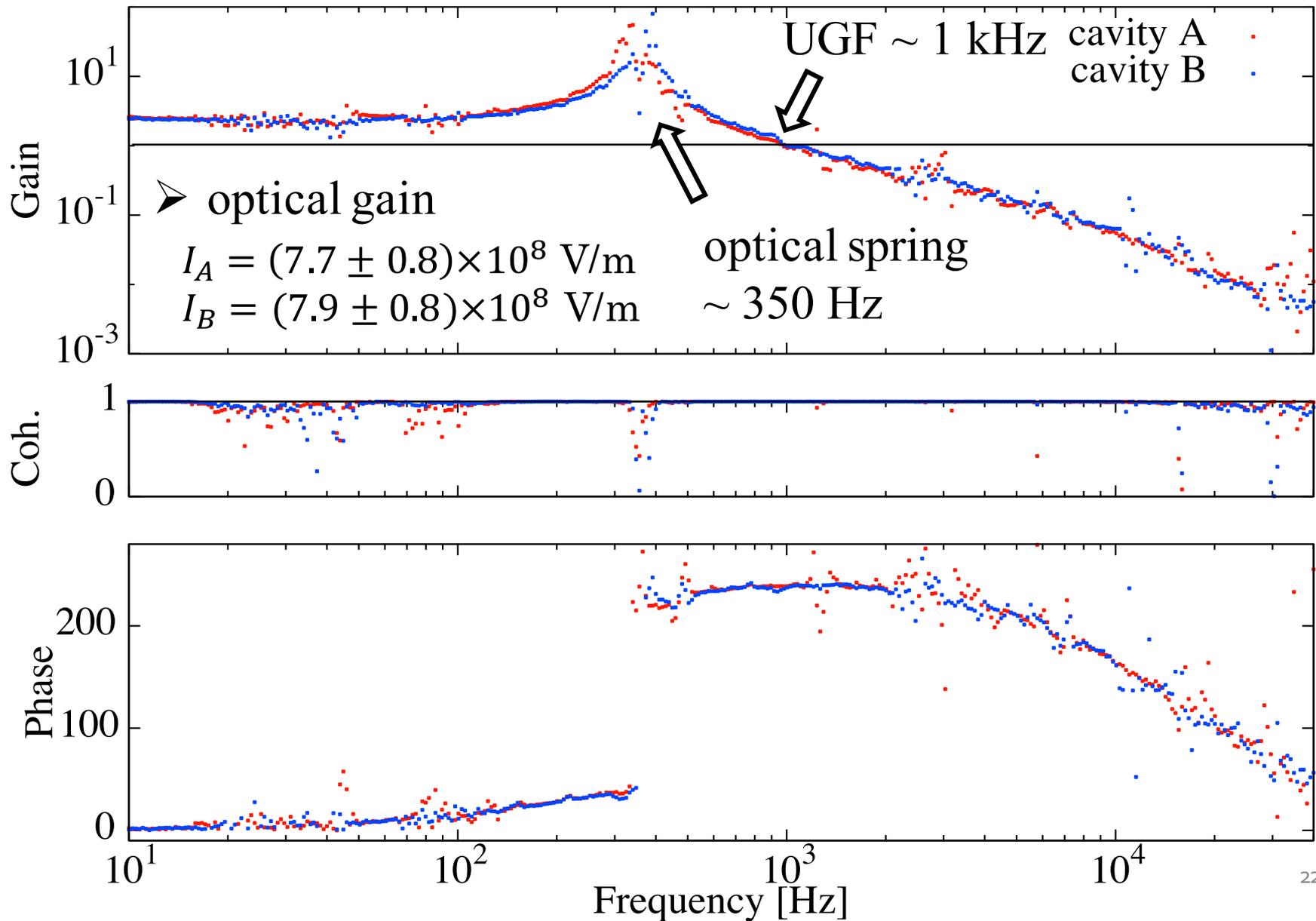
# Actuator Efficiency



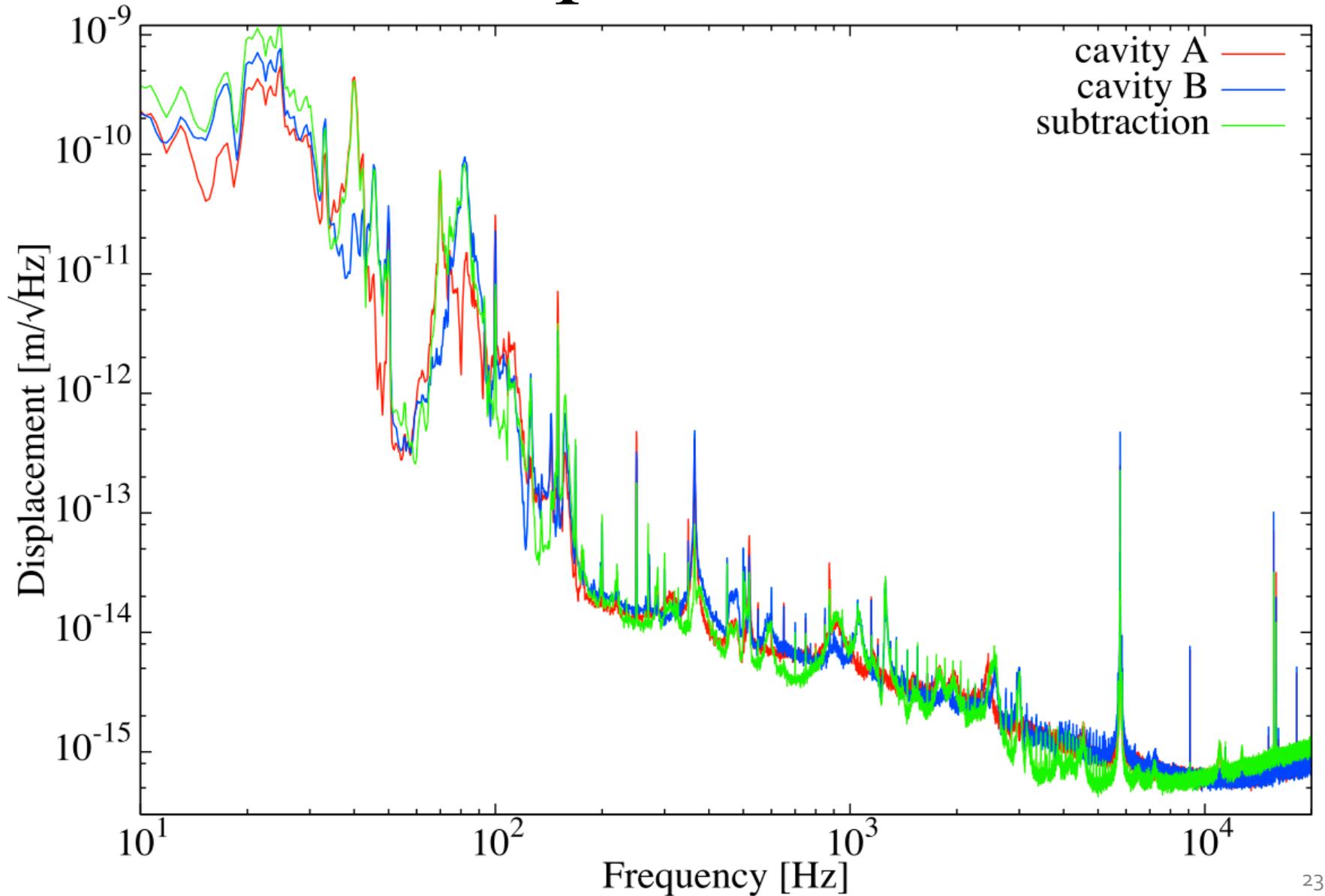
# Finesse and cavity length



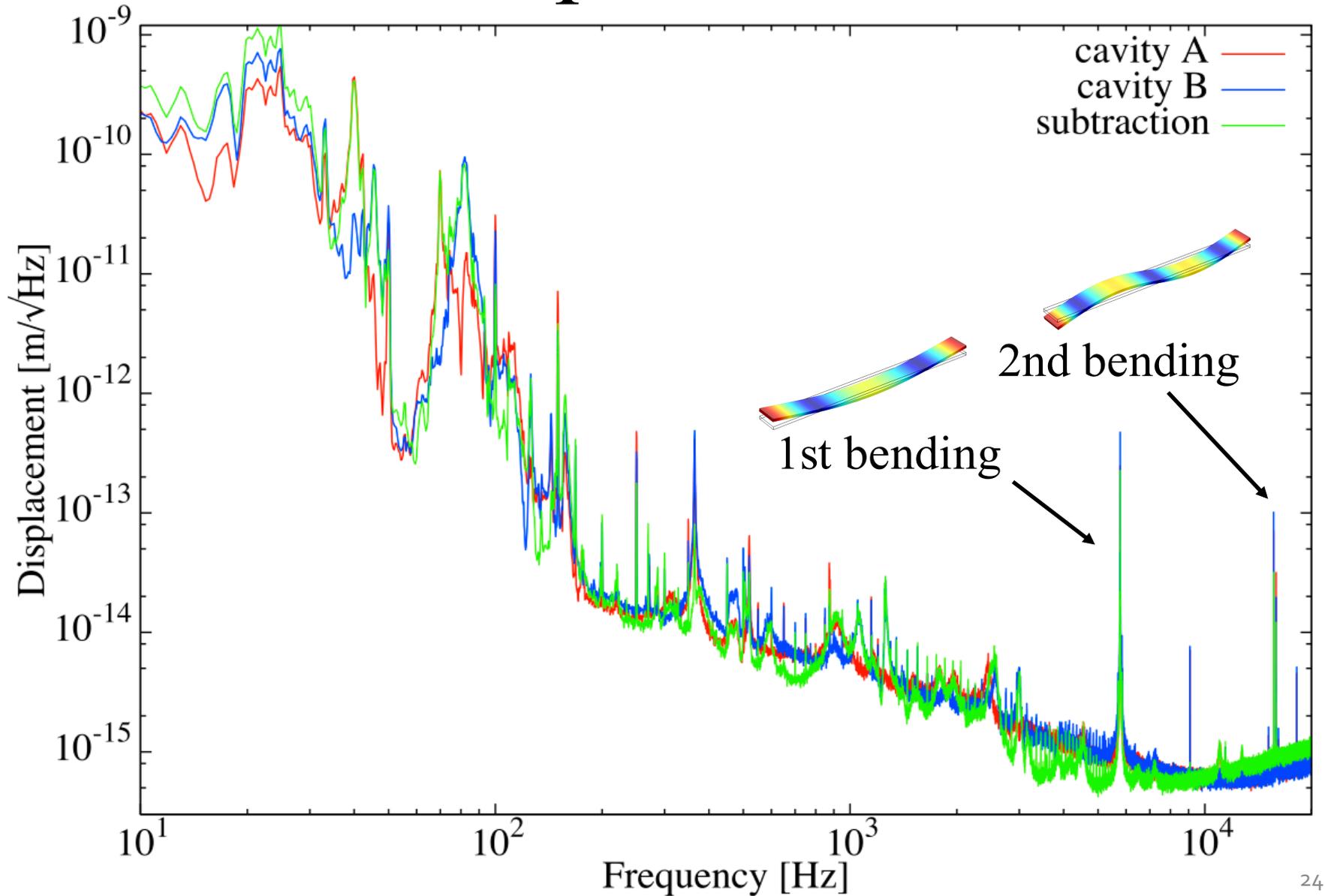
# Open-loop transfer function



# Displacement

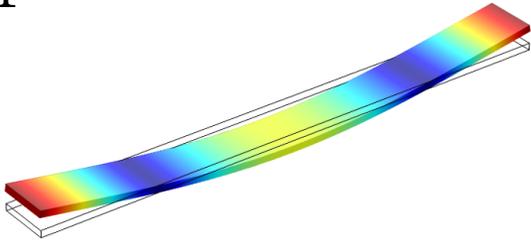


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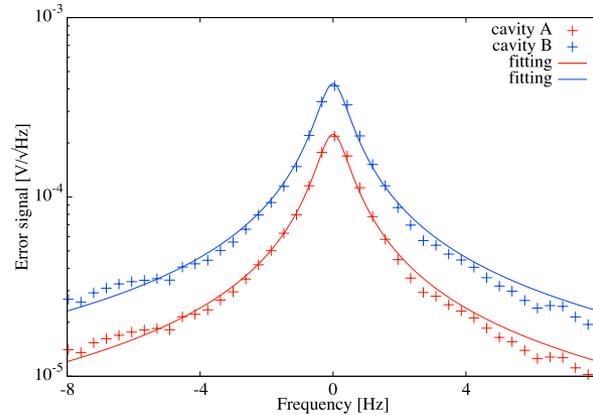
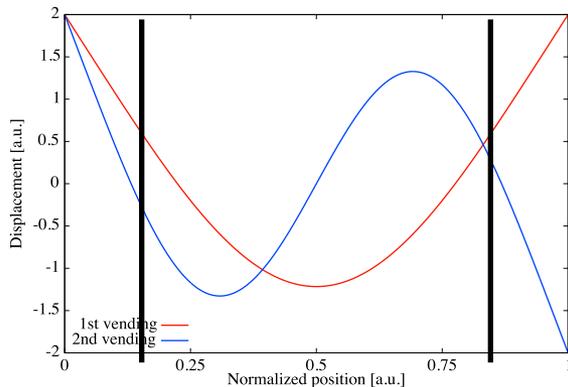
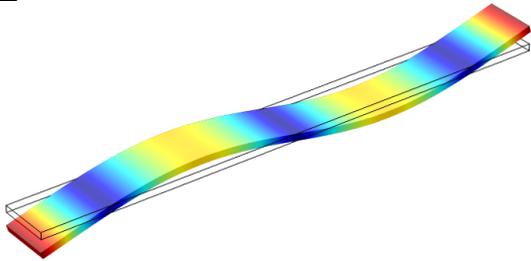


# Bending motion

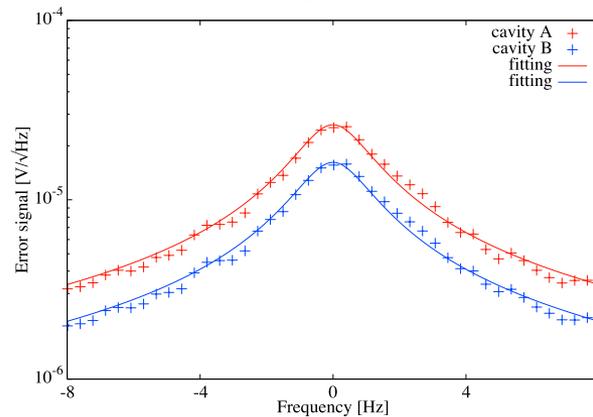
$$f_1 = 5.774 \text{ kHz}$$



$$f_2 = 15.89 \text{ kHz}$$



$$Q_1 = (6.7 \pm 0.8) \times 10^3$$



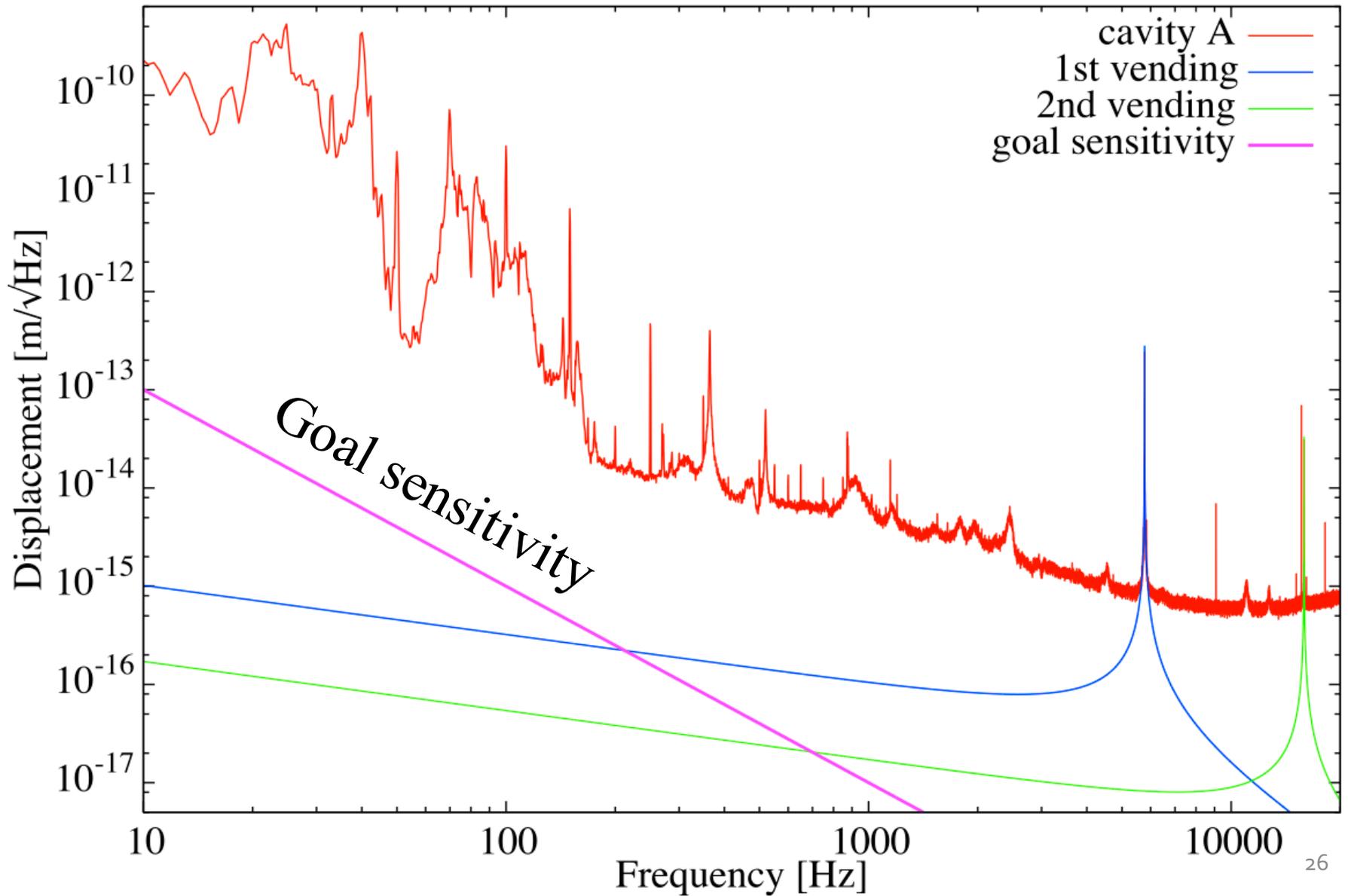
$$Q_2 = (7.7 \pm 0.9) \times 10^3$$

➤ Beam spot positions on the mirror are estimated by amplitude ratio of these two modes.

$$P_A = 2.3 \pm 0.2 \text{ mm}$$

$$P_B = 2.1 \pm 0.2 \text{ mm}$$

# Displacement



# Future works

## ➤ Higher intra-cavity power

Design: optical spring 800 Hz (intra-cavity power of 10 W)

Current: 350 Hz, actually 600 Hz has been realized.

## ➤ PDH control

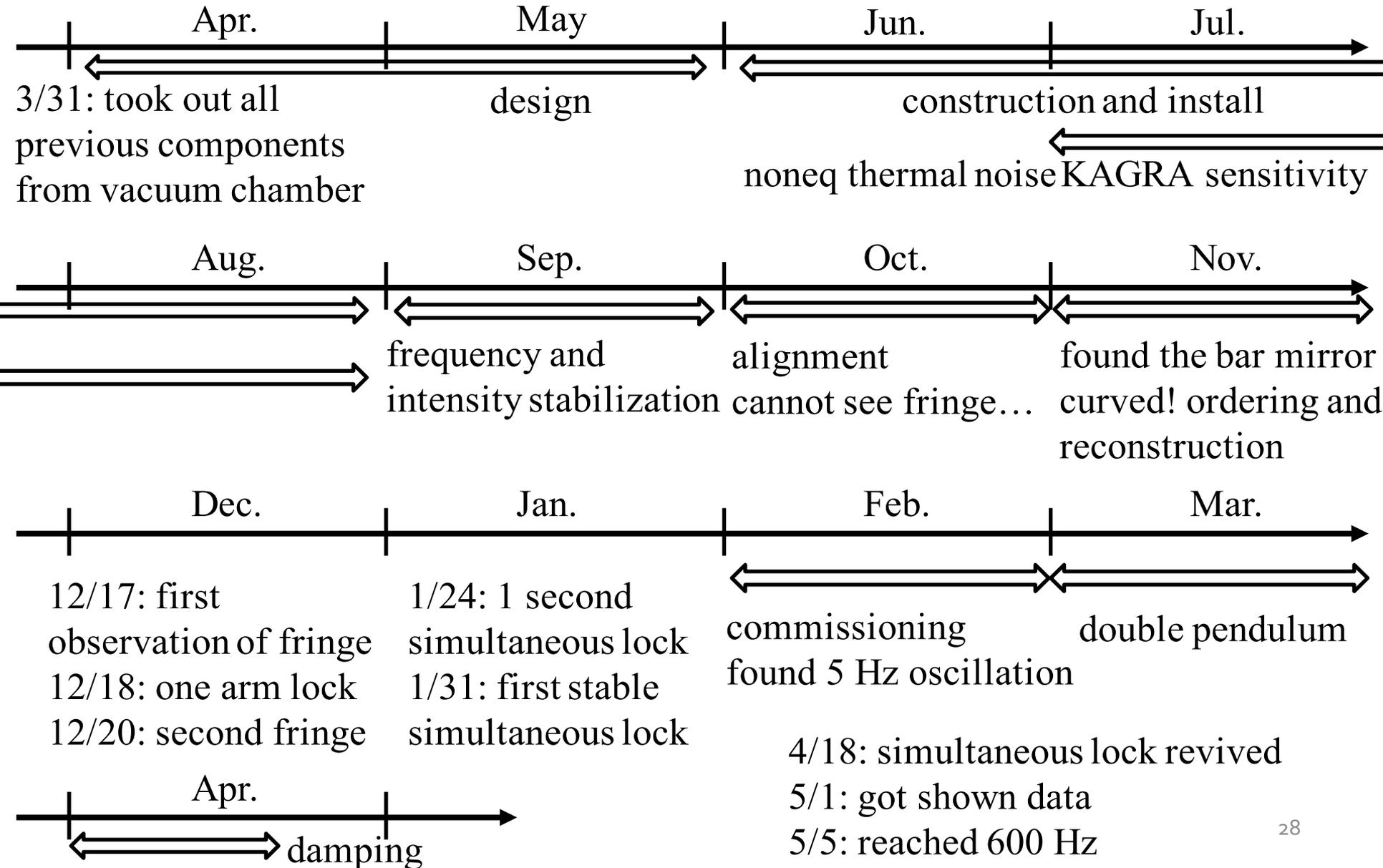
Small detuning is better, but conversion from DC control to PDH control does not work now...

## ➤ Better sensitivity

Frequency noise seems to limit the sensitivity?

Vibration noise is probably also dominant.

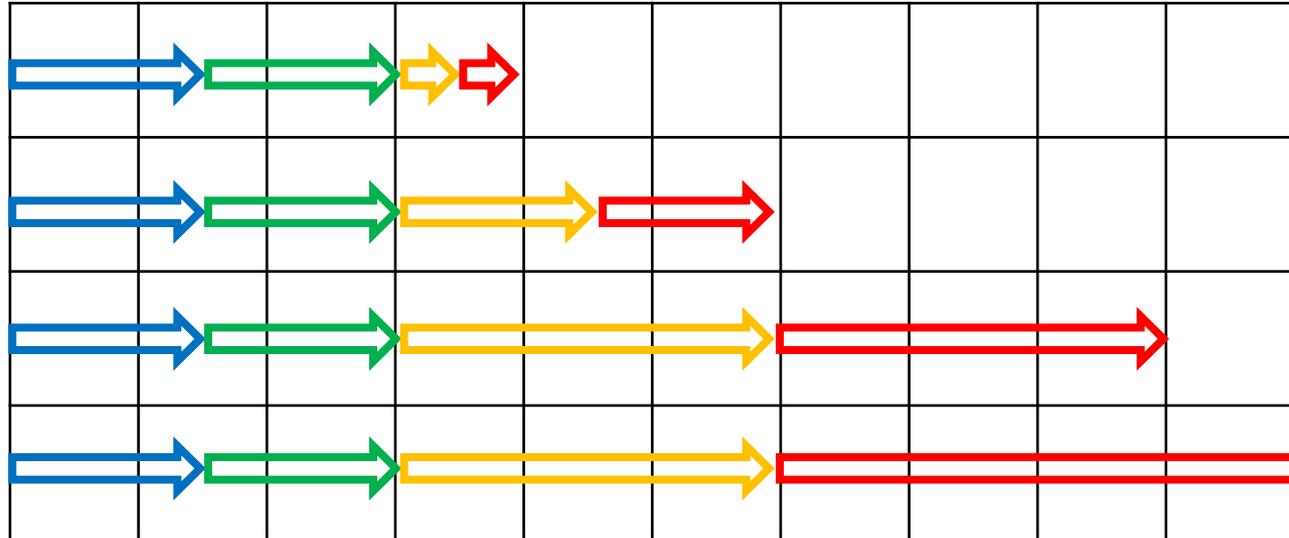
# Timeline on the last year



# Estimation in the last year

Month                      4                      8                      12                      4                      8

- ultra-super lucky case
- wonderful case
- likely case
- garbage case



➡ ordering short parts and recovering stabilization system   
 ➡ constructing system for main cavity   
 ➡ locking   
 ➡ improving the sensitivity and observing QRPF

➤ I am on the likely case, not garbage case.

# Summary

- We try to measure quantum radiation pressure fluctuation acting on a torsion pendulum.
- A bar-shaped mirror as a torsion pendulum has advantages such as low suspension thermal noise, common mode rejection, light effective mass.
- We succeeded in locking two cavities at both edges simultaneously with high power. Higher power by a few and better sensitivity by two orders are needed towards the goal.