

Testing Lorentz Invariance with an Optical Ring Cavity

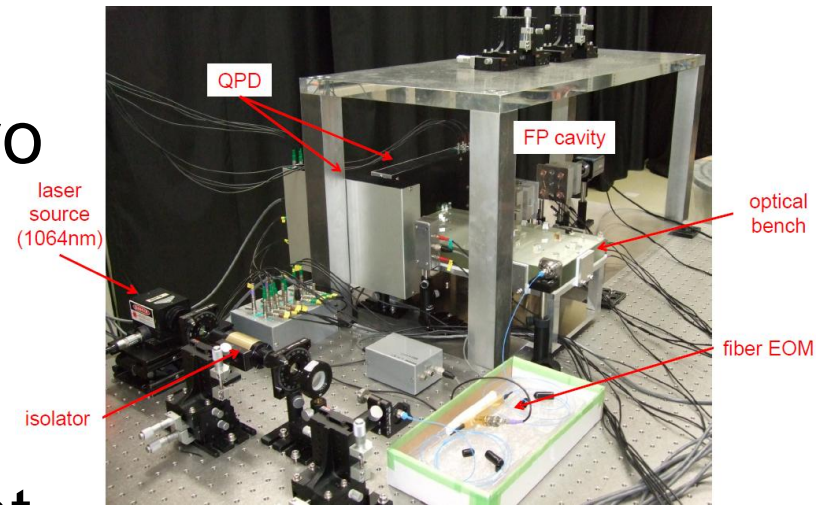
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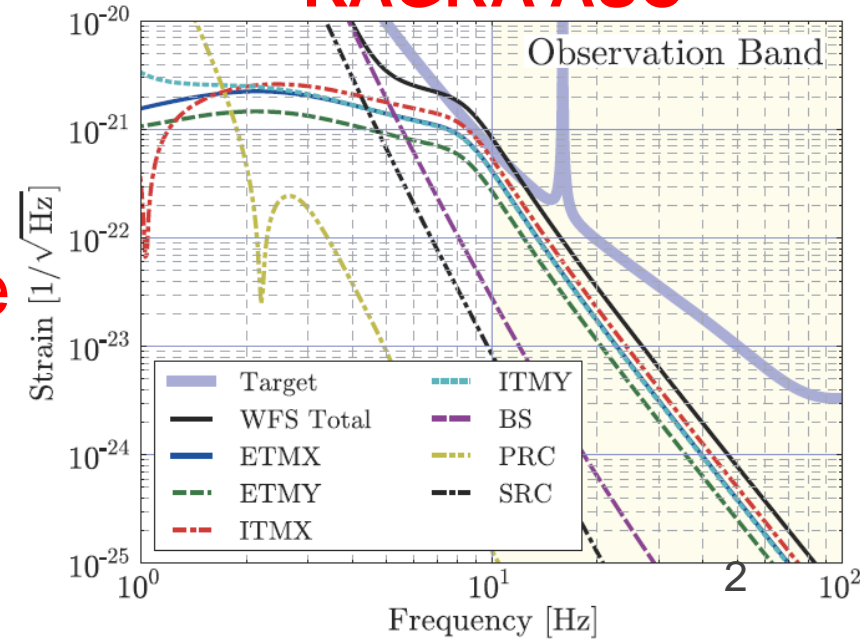
Self-introduction

- Ando Group,
Dept. of Physics, U. of Tokyo
graduate student
- what I have been doing
 - DECIGO Pathfinder
prototype FP experiment
 - KAGRA (LCGT)
ASC simulation
 - visit Caltech 40m
 - **anisotropy search in the
speed of light (this talk)**

DPF prototype FP

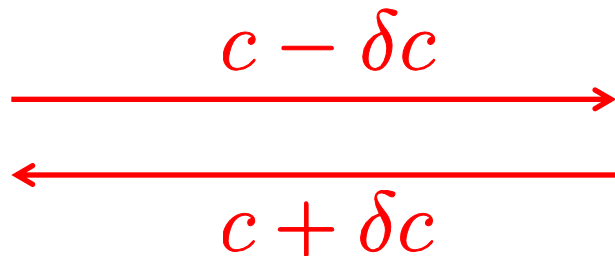


KAGRA ASC

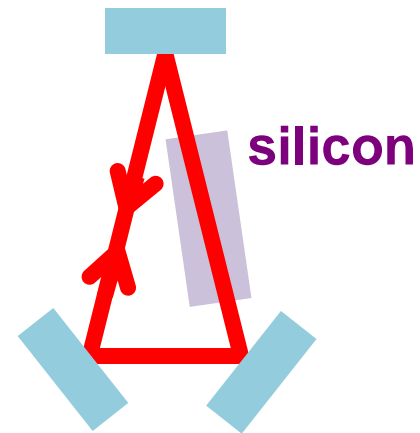


Abstract

- tested Special Relativity(Lorentz invariance in photons) by testing isotropy in the **one-way** speed of light



- new idea: use an asymmetric optical ring cavity
- got the **world's best limit** $|\delta c/c| \lesssim 1 \times 10^{-14}$
[Y. Michimura *et al.*: [Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 200401 \(2013\)](#)]
- got the **first limits** on higher order Lorentz violation
[Y. Michimura *et al.*: [Phys. Rev. D 88, 111101\(R\) \(2013\)](#)]



SR and Lorentz violation

- Special Relativity (1905)
speed of light is constant
- Lorentz invariance in electrodynamics
- no one could find any violation
- but...

- quantum gravity theory suggests violation at some level

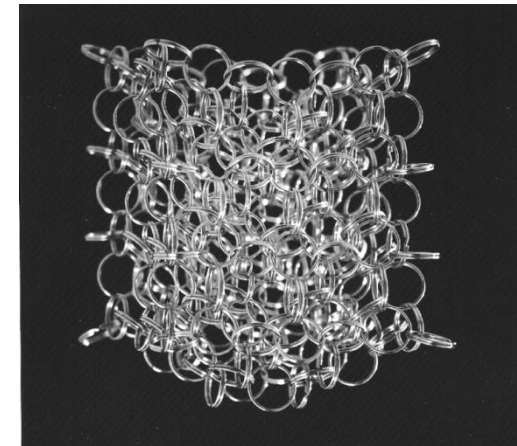
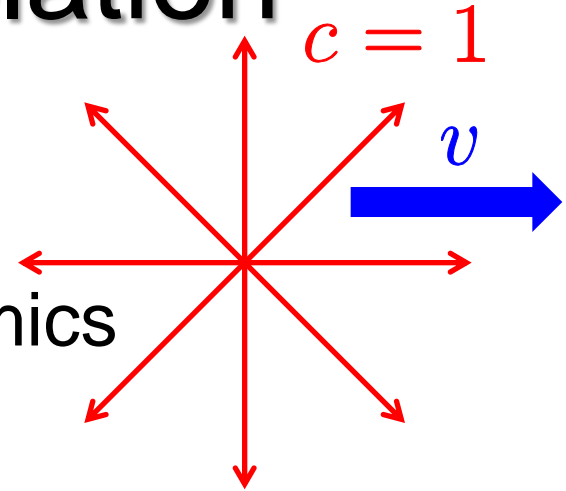
$$\text{e.g. } \delta c/c \sim 10^{-17}$$

D. Colladay and V. Alan Kostelecký: [PRD 58 ,116002 \(1998\)](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-th/9808047)

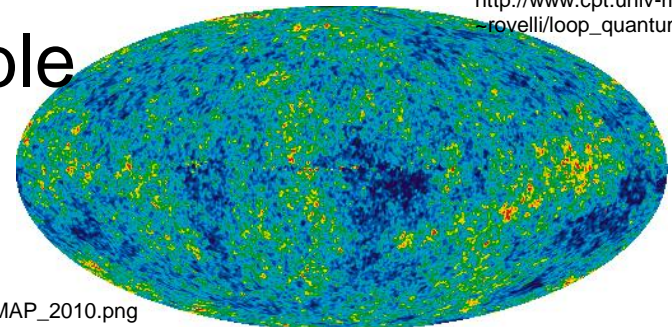
- anisotropy in CMB

CMB rest frame: possible preferred frame?

→ we have to test SR !



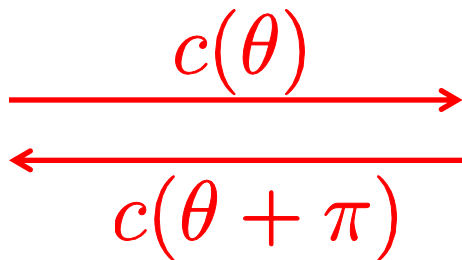
http://www.cpt.univ-mrs.fr/~rovelli/loop_quantum_gravity.jpg



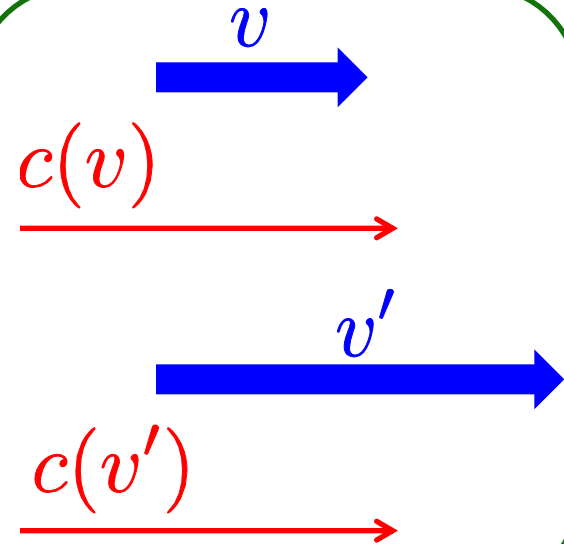
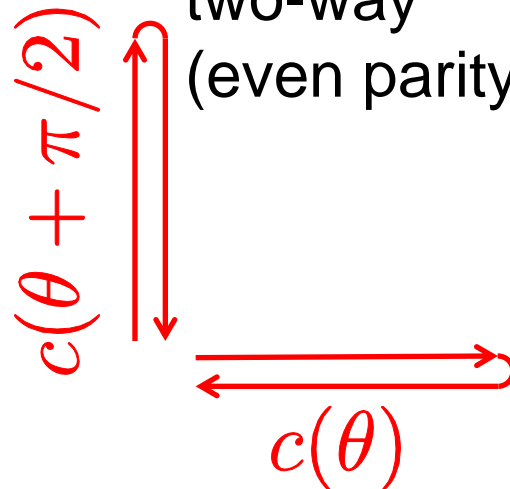
Testing SR

- most traditional way to test SR
- constancy of the speed of light consists from
 - isotropy in the one-way speed of light
 - isotropy in the two-way speed of light
 - independence of the speed of light from the lab. velocity

one-way
(odd parity)



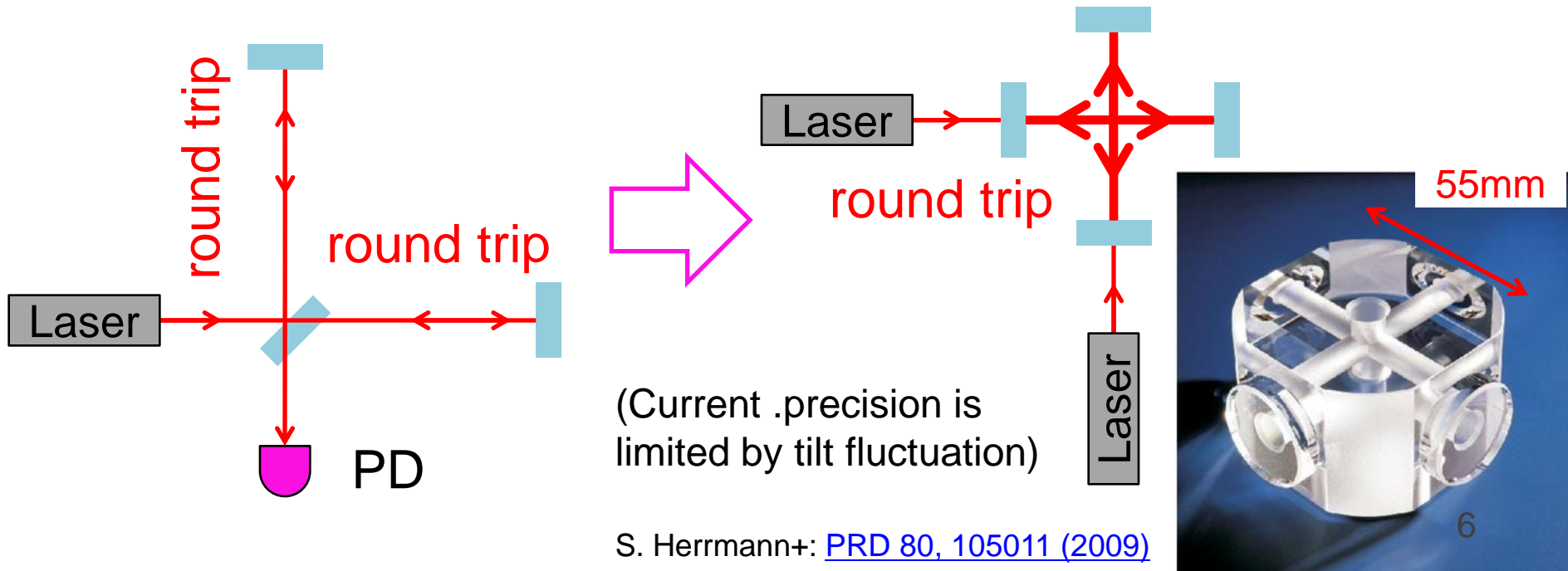
two-way
(even parity)



Previous Tests for Two-Way c

- Michelson-Morley experiment (1887)
Michelson interferometer
- compare the resonant freqs of crossed FP in a single block (2009) $|\delta c/c| \lesssim 10^{-17}$

Ch. Eisele+: [PRL 103, 090401 \(2009\)](#)



Previous Tests for One-Way c

- Ives-Stilwell experiment (1938)
 - measure Doppler shifted resonant freq of ions
- most recent IS-type experiment (2007)

$$|\delta c/c| \lesssim 10^{-10}$$

S. Reinhardt *et al.*: [Nat. Phys. 3, 861 \(2007\)](#)

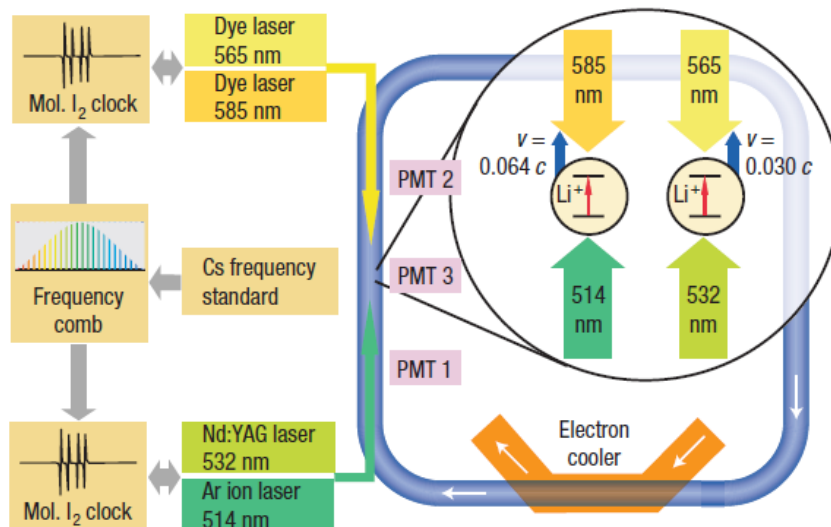
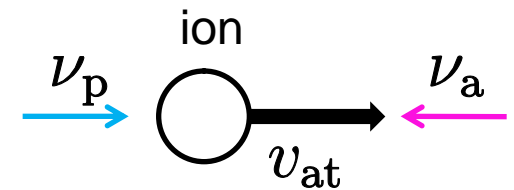


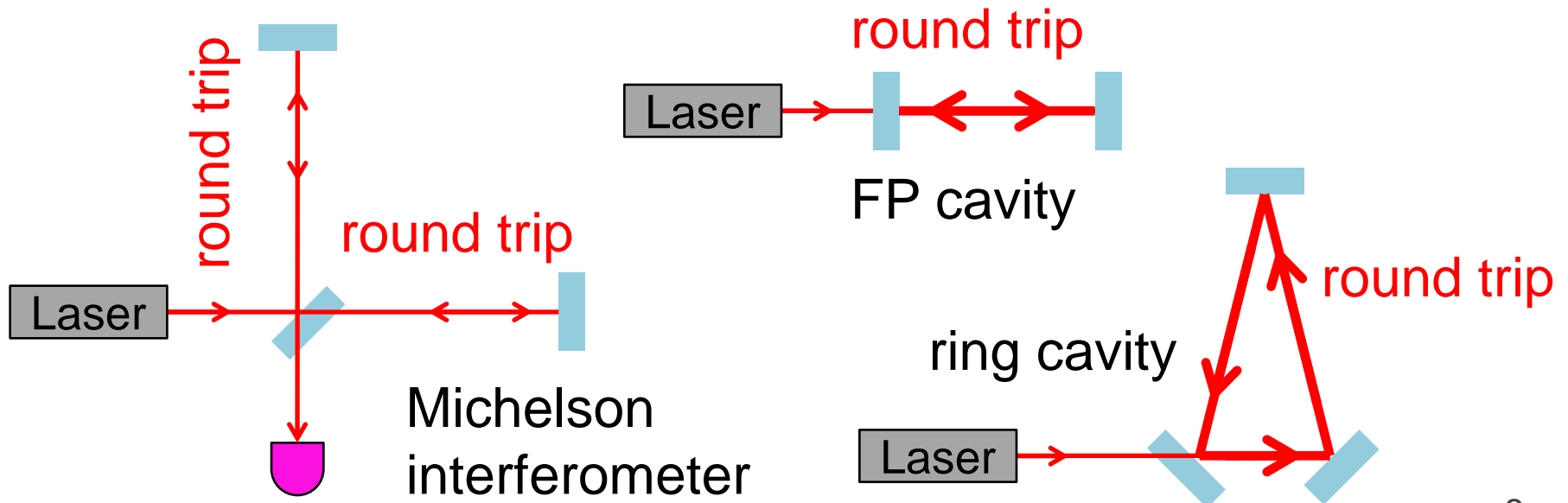
Figure 1 Schematic diagram of the TSR. Li^+ ions circulate in the 55-m-circumference ring. In the electron cooler, cold electrons are overlapped with the ions and provide cooling. The measurements at the two different velocities are carried out sequentially. In the experiment, the two lasers are coupled into the ring from the same side and are retro-reflected.



have to measure the absolute value of the resonant frequency

Starting Point

- one-way test is 7-orders of magnitude less precise than two-way test!
- can't test one-way c using ordinary interferometers
- one-way anisotropy term cancels in a closed loop
- Hmm.....



Asymmetric Ring Cavity

- putting a dielectric makes an asymmetry
→ will be sensitive to one-way anisotropy

	without dielectric	with dielectric
without Lorentz violation	$\nu_+ = \nu_0$ $\nu_- = \nu_0$	$\nu_+ = \nu$ $\nu_- = \nu$
with Lorentz violation	$\nu_+ = \nu_0$ $\nu_- = \nu_0$	$\nu_+ = \nu - \delta\nu$ $\nu_- = \nu + \delta\nu$

freq. shift
 $\propto \hat{a}$

Counter Propagating Modes

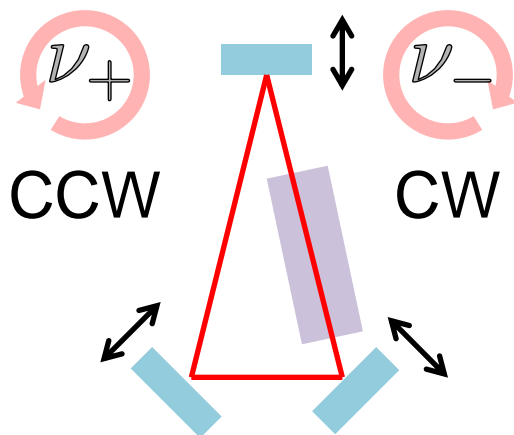
- comparing resonant frequencies of counter propagating modes
 - **high CMRR** to cavity length change
 - no need for high vacuum, seismic isolation, tilt control of turn table, temperature control (or cryogenic)

W. S. N. Trimmer+: [PRD 8, 3321 \(1973\)](#)

M. E. Tobar+: [PRD 71, 025004 \(2005\)](#)

Q. Exirifard: [arXiv:1010.2057](#)

F. N. Baynes+: [PRL 108, 260801 \(2012\)](#)



$$\nu_+ = \nu - \delta\nu$$

$$\nu_- = \nu + \delta\nu$$

Experimental Setup

- frequency comparison by **double-pass** setup
- rotate and modulate LV signal

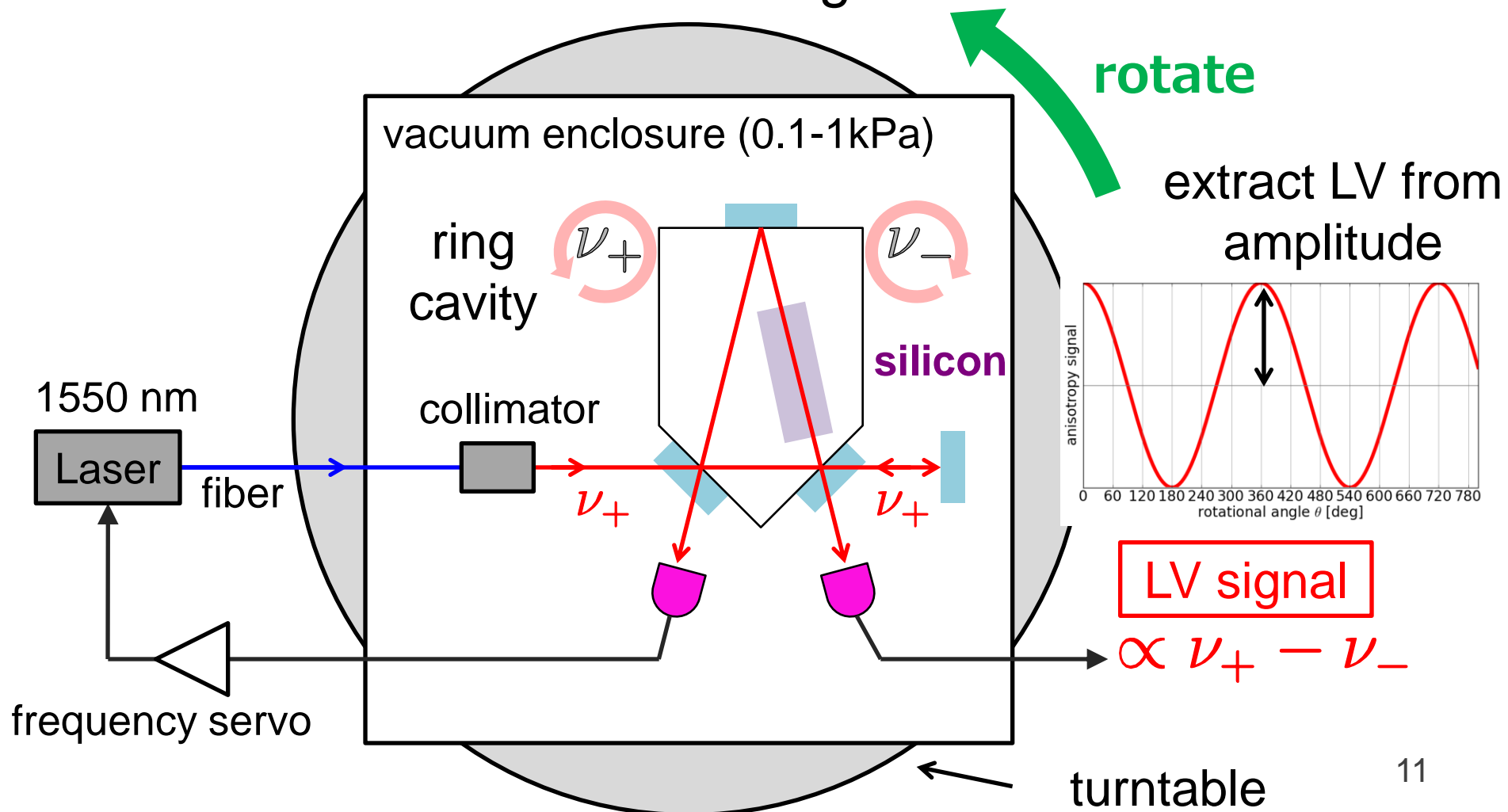


Photo of the Optics

Inside vacuum enclosure
(30cm × 30cm × 17cm)

ring
cavity

collimator

PDs1

PDp1

PDp2

PDs2

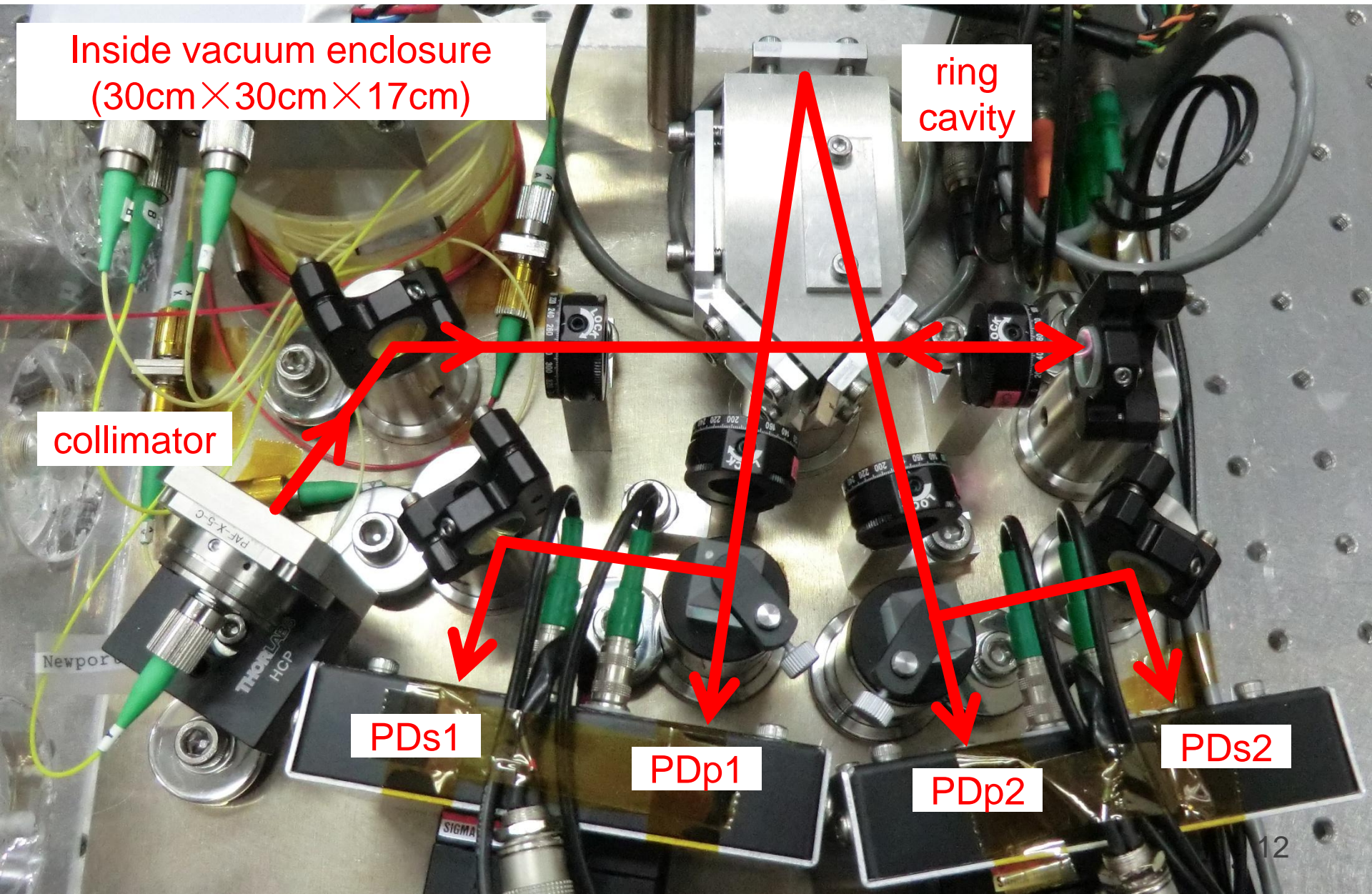


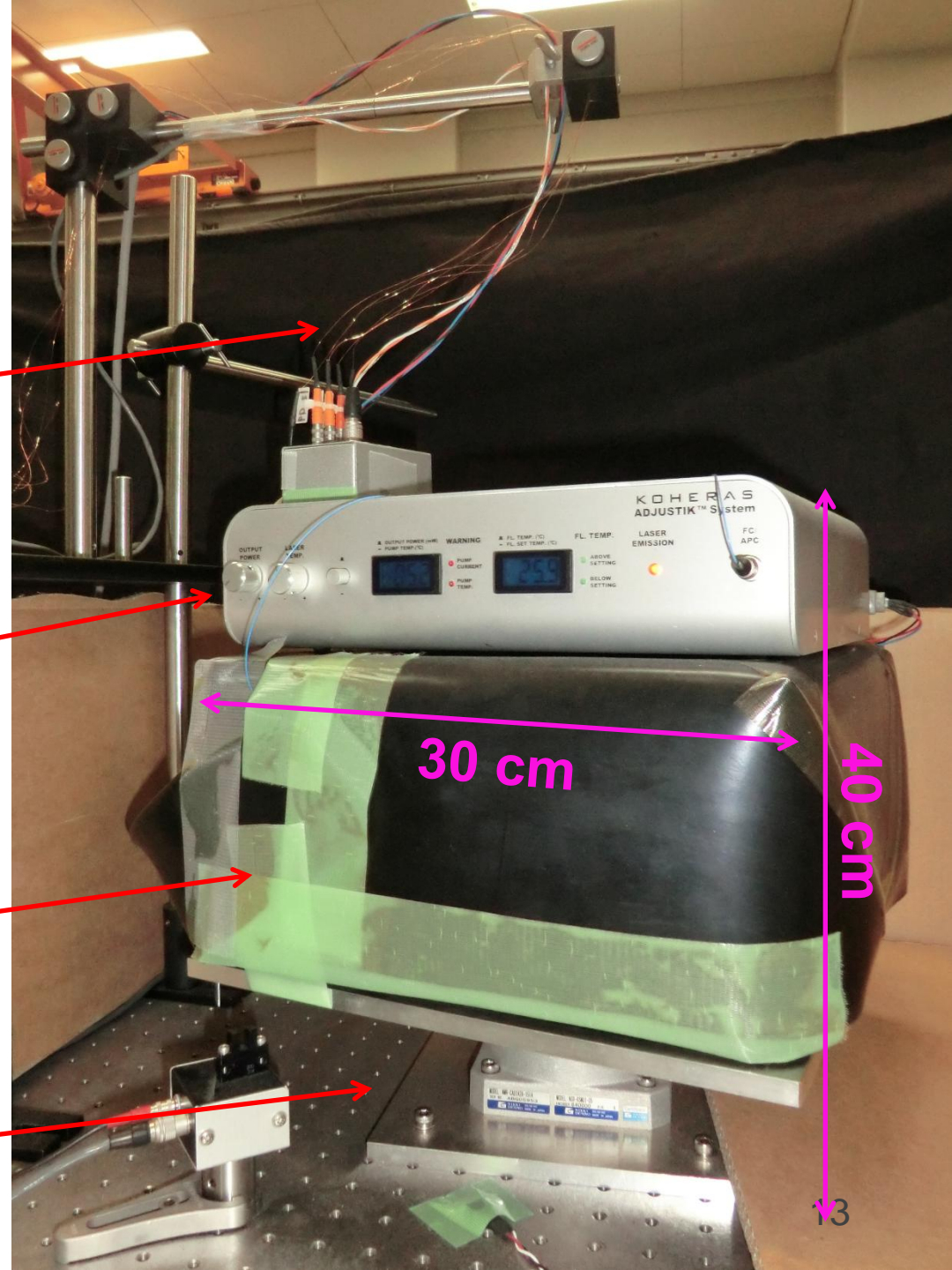
Photo of the Whole Setup

electrical cables

laser source

vacuum enclosure
+ shielding
(optics inside)

turntable



30 cm

40 cm

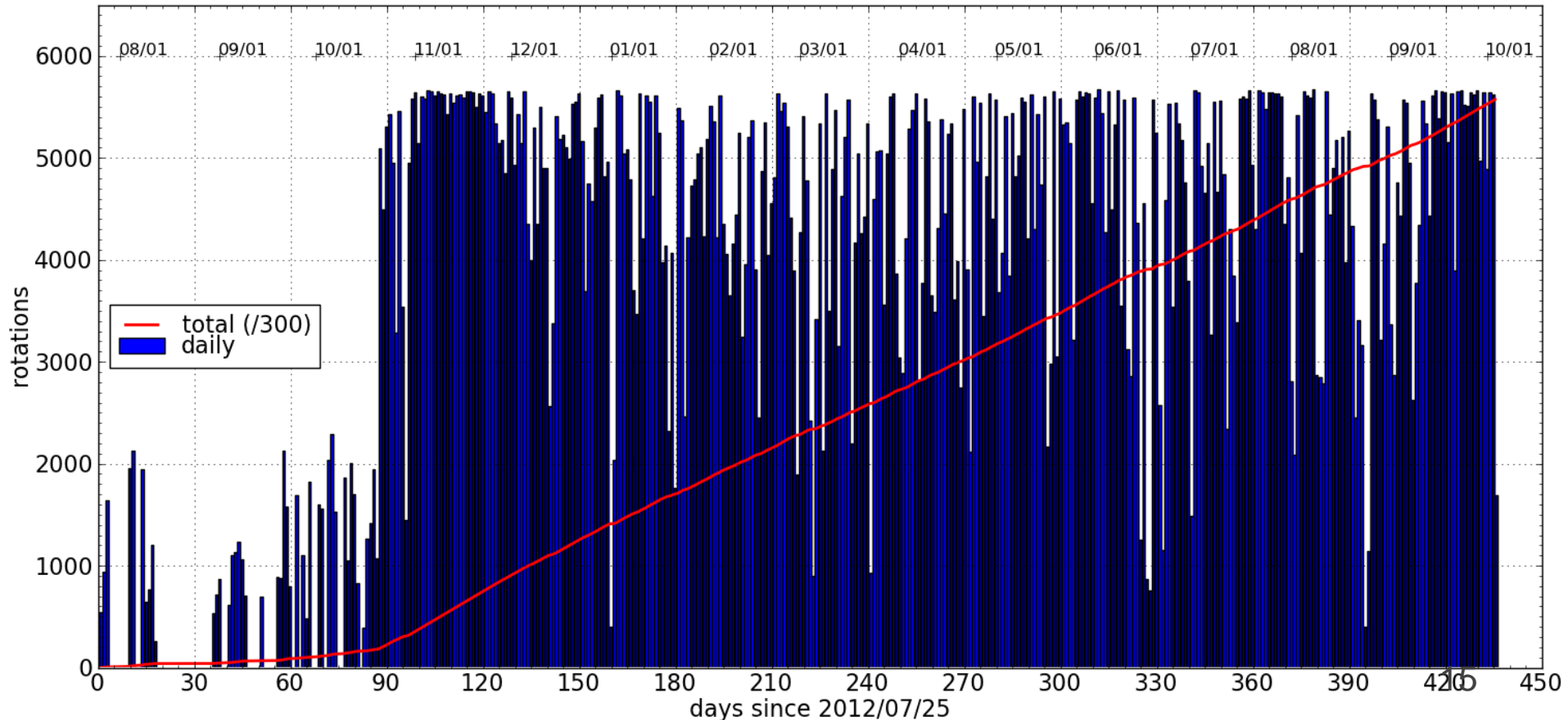
It Rotates

- movie



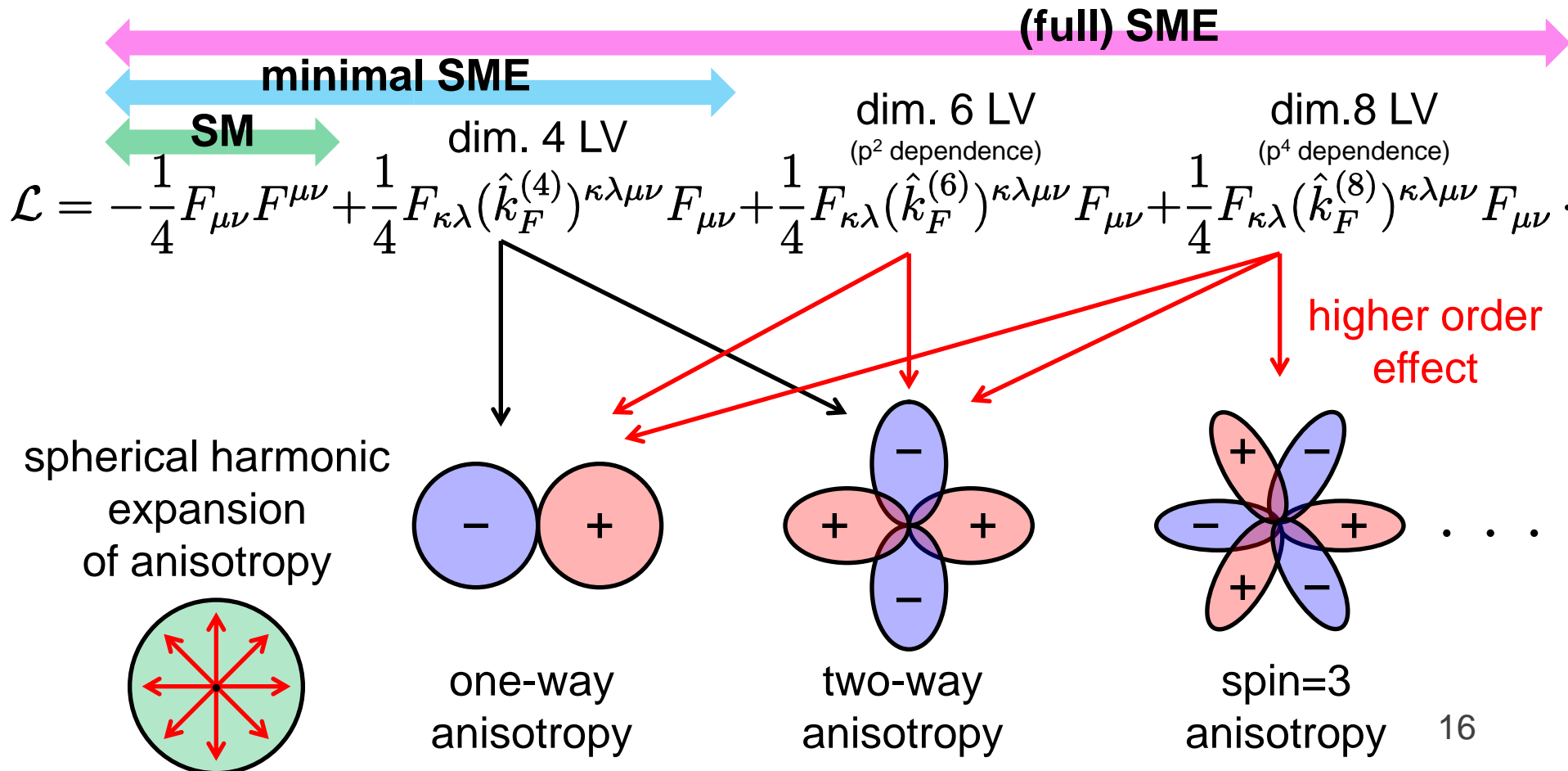
Rotated for 1 Year

- from August 2012 to September 2013
- 393 days
- 1.7 million rotations



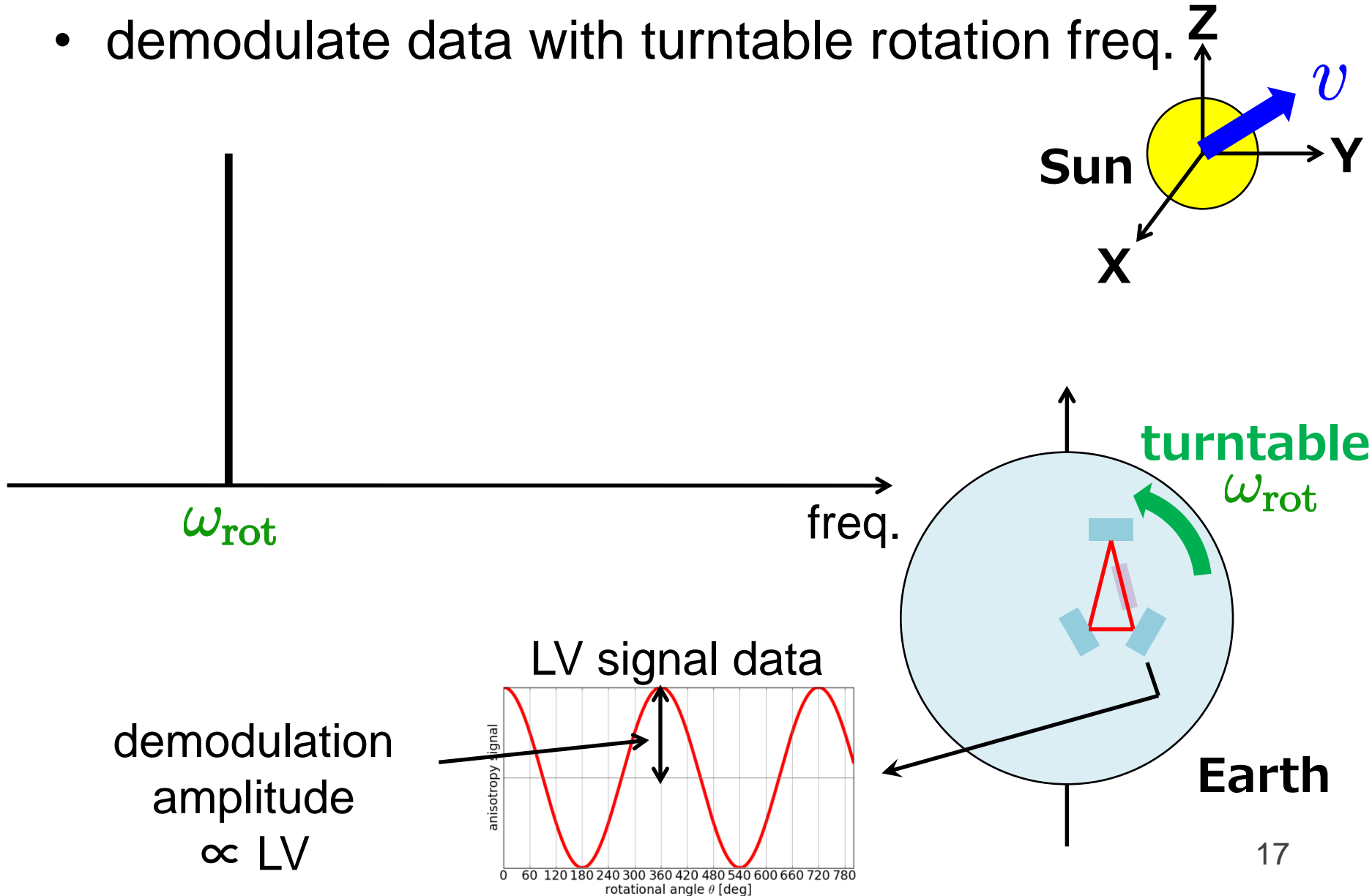
Test Model for Data Analysis

- Standard Model Extension (SME)
 - D. Colladay and V. Alan Kostelecký: [PRD 58, 116002 \(1998\)](#)
- add LV terms in the electromagnetic Lagrangian



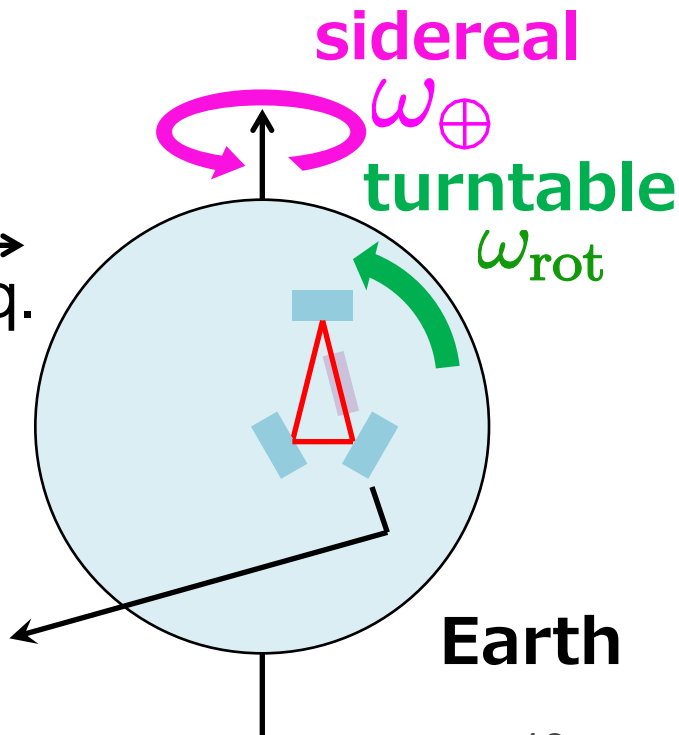
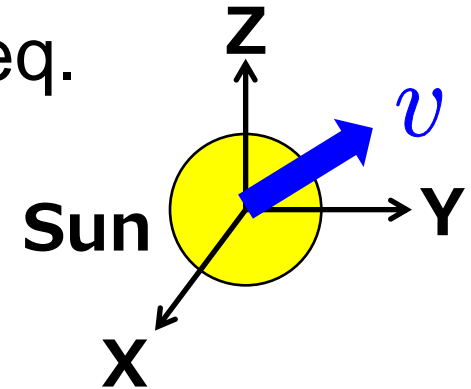
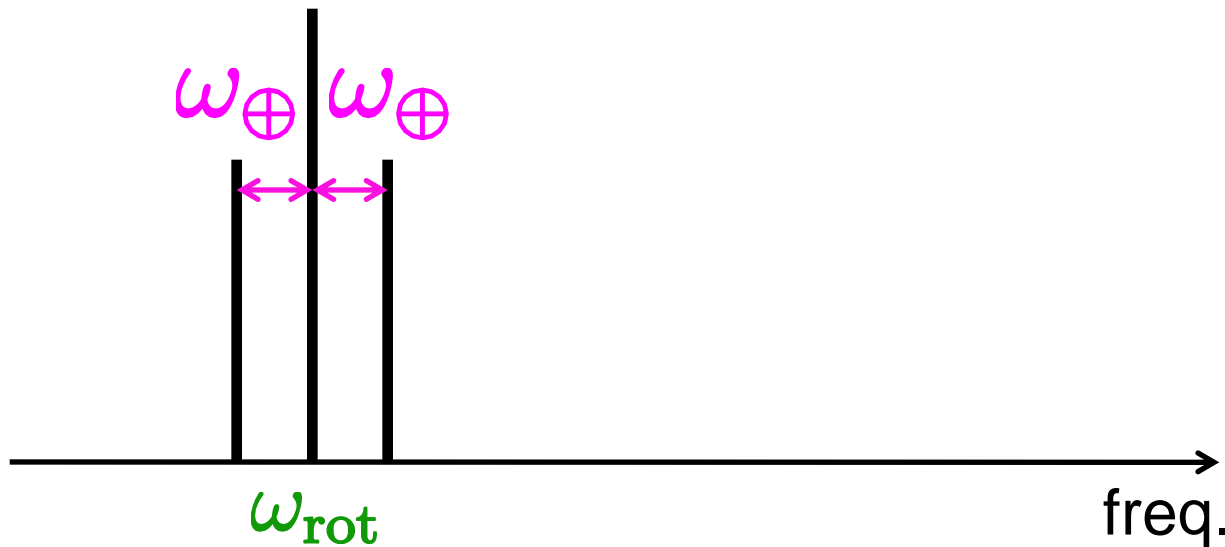
Data Analysis 1

- demodulate data with turntable rotation freq.

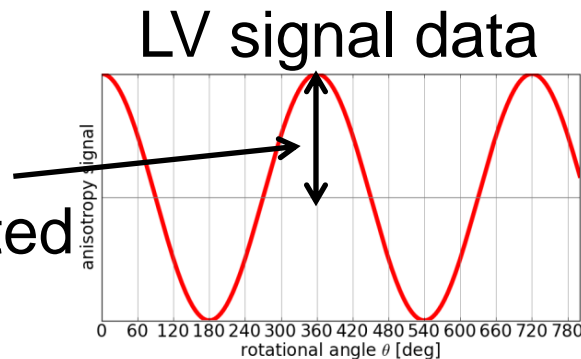


Data Analysis 2

- then demodulate data with sidereal freq.

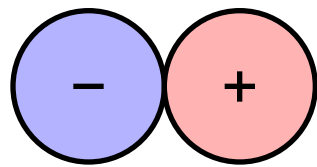
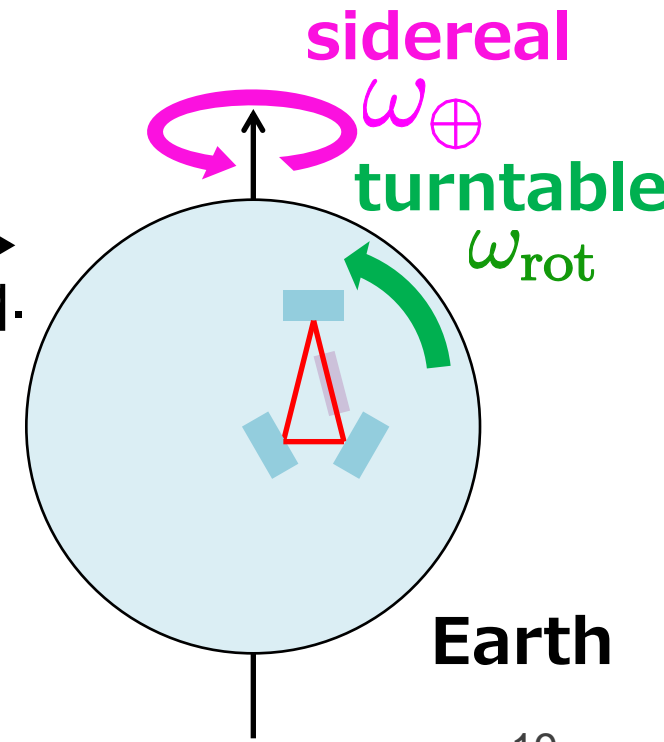
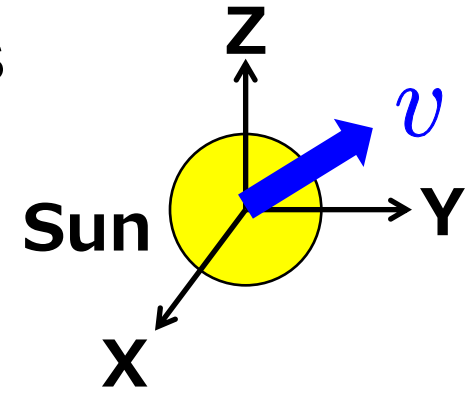
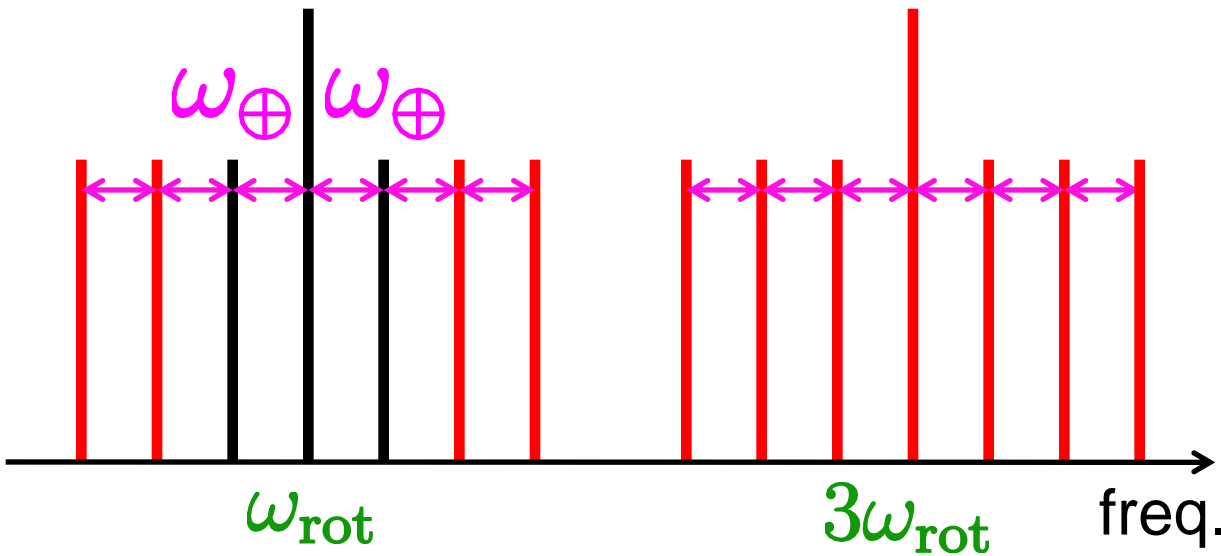


demodulation
amplitude is modulated
by sidereal freq.

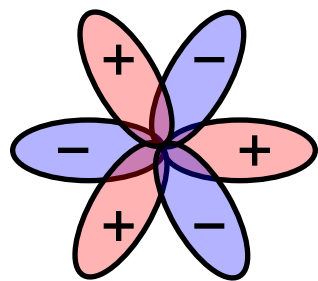


Data Analysis 3

- demodulate at odd number harmonics to get odd-parity higher order LV



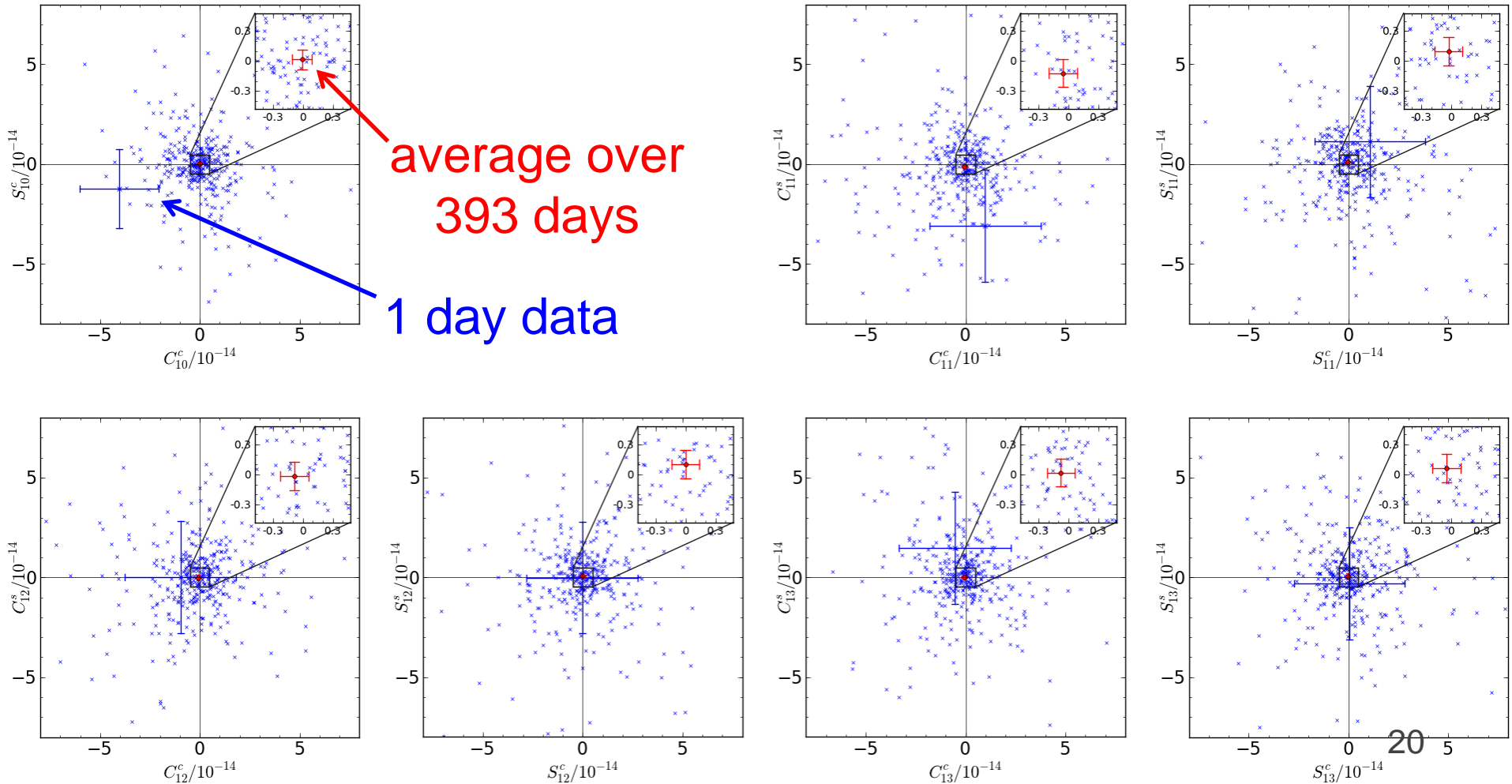
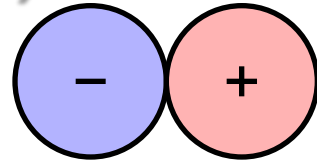
360 degrees rotational symmetry



120 degrees rotational symmetry

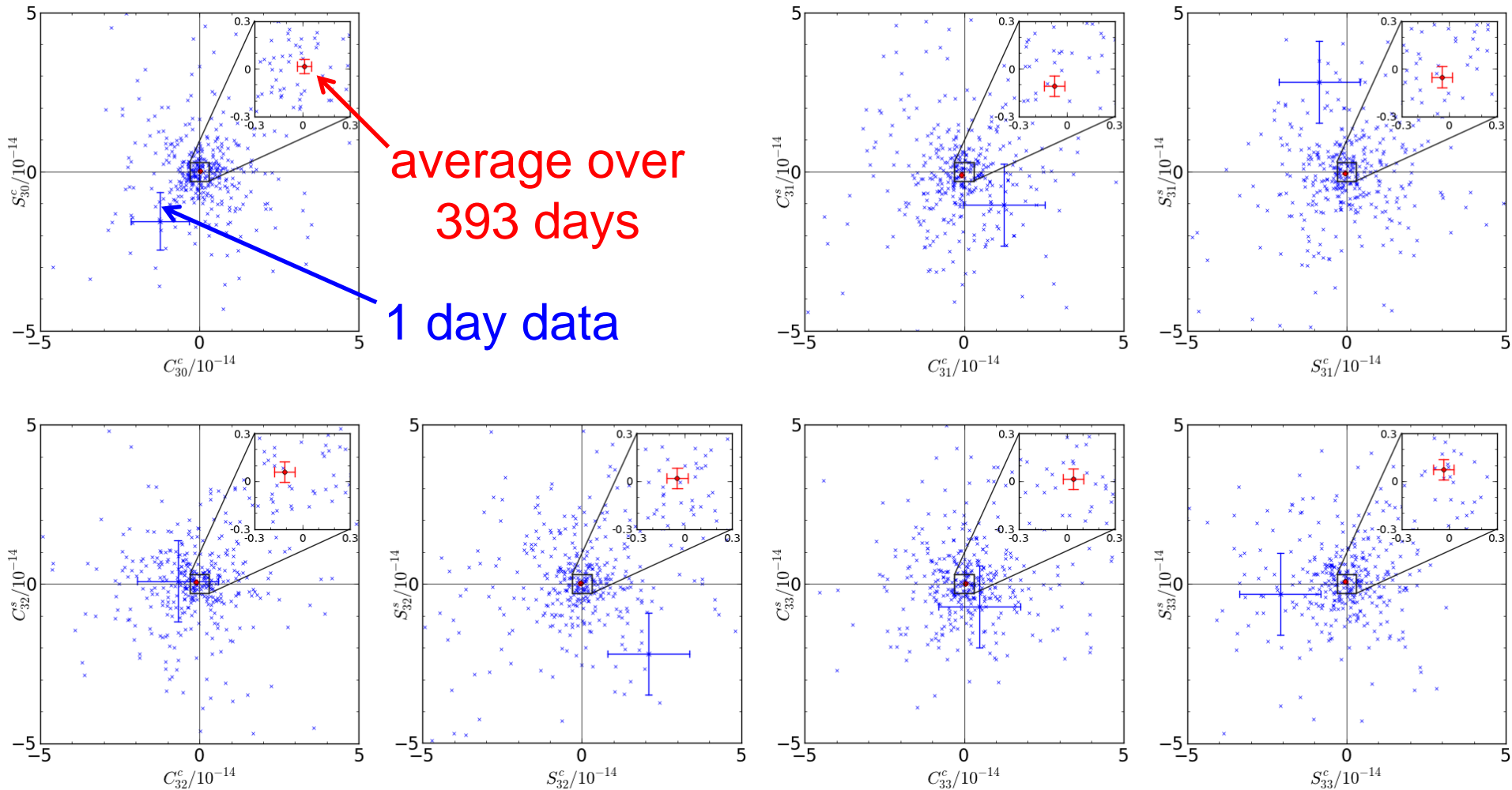
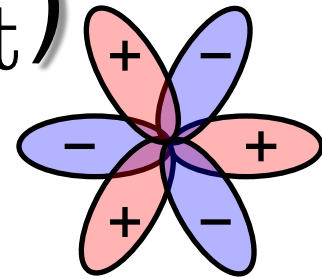
Demod. Amplitudes(ω_{rot})

- zero consistent within 2σ
→ no significant LV found



Demod. Amplitudes($3\omega_{\text{rot}}$)

- zero consistent within 2σ
→ no significant LV found



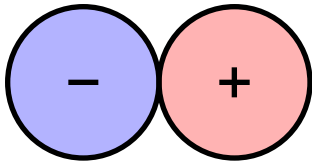
Limits on Higher-Order LV

- d=6 odd-parity LV parameters (3 of 3)

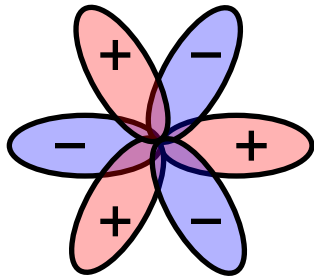
$$\lesssim 1 \times 10^3 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

- d=8 odd-parity LV parameters (10 of 13)

$$\lesssim 1 \sim 3 \times 10^{19} \text{ GeV}^{-4}$$



$$|\delta c/c| \lesssim 7 \times 10^{-15}$$

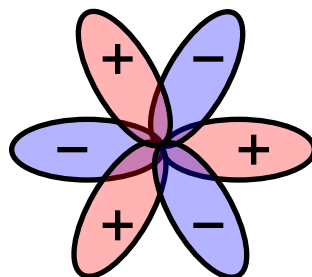
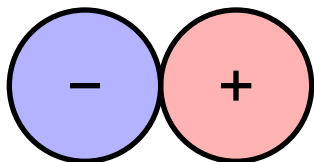
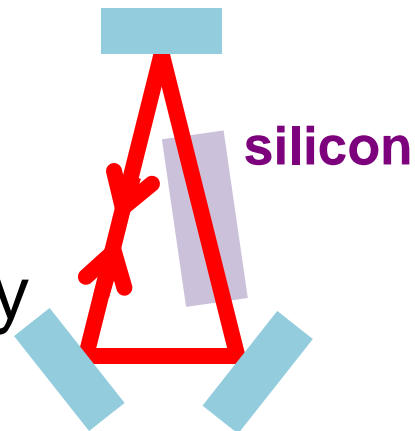


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$(\bar{c}_F^{(8)})_{310}^{(0E)} - 0.020(\bar{c}_F^{(8)})_{110}^{(0E)}$	$(-0.2 \pm 1.9) \times 10^{19} \text{ GeV}^{-4}$
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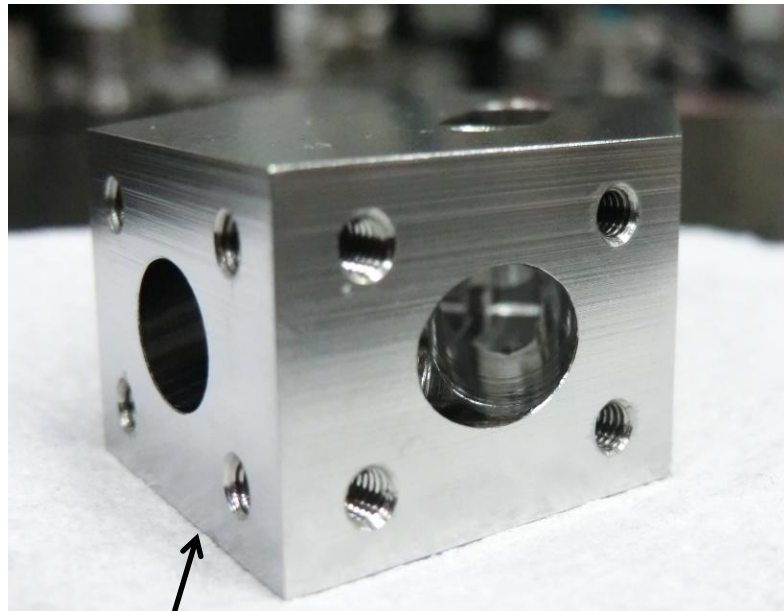
Summary

- asymmetric optical ring cavity with double-pass configuration
- searched anisotropy for 1 year
393 days, 1.7 million rotations
- put the best limit on one-way anisotropy
 $|\delta c/c| \lesssim 7 \times 10^{-15}$
- put the first limits on odd-parity higher-order Lorentz violations

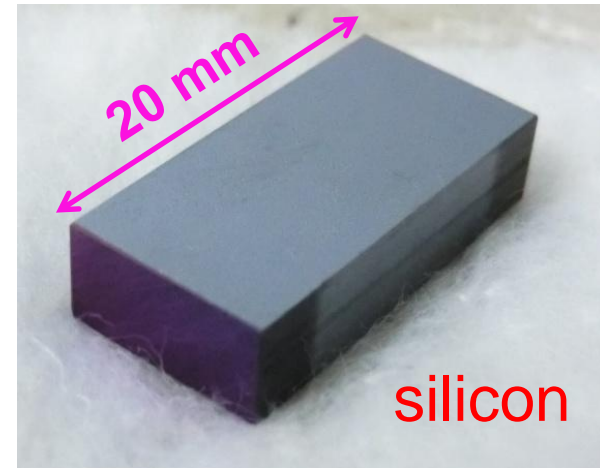


Additional Slides

Some Photos of the Cavity

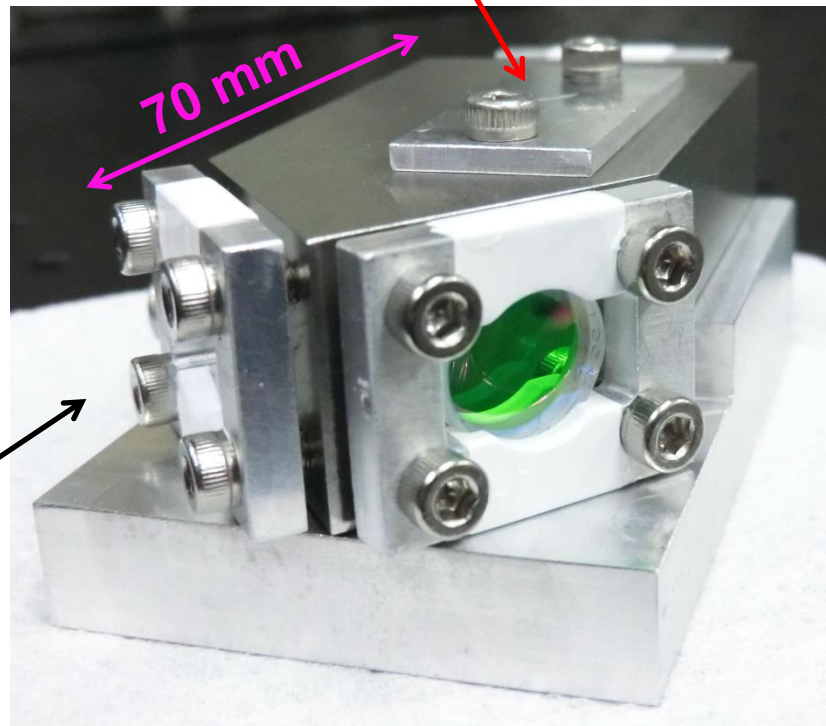


spacer made of Super Invar



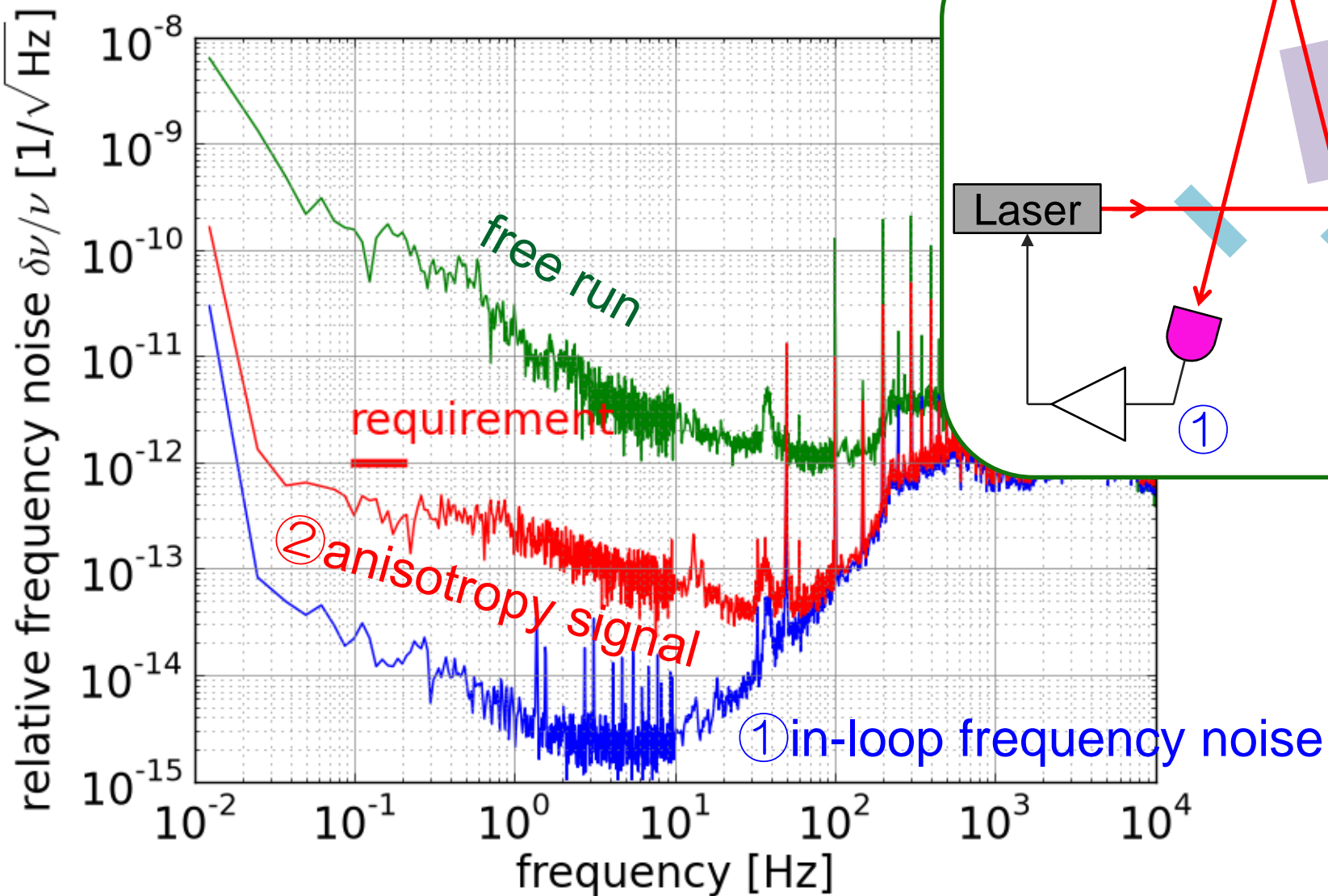
silicon inside

silicon



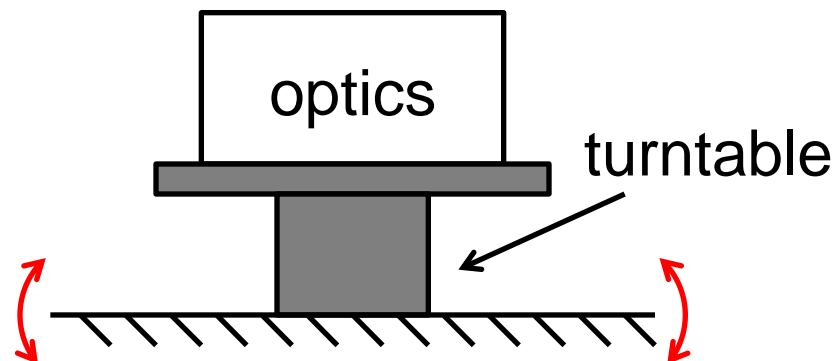
cavity mirrors

Sensitivity Spectrum



Systematic Errors

- 10% of statistical error at maximum
- sidereal tilt of turntable



Cause	Amount	Ratio compared with stat.
rotational speed fluctuation (Sagnac effect)	< 1 mrad/sec	< 0.01 %
turntable tilt	< 0.2 mrad	< 10 %
calibration	-	3 %
refractive index	-	< 0.1 %
time	1 min	0.4 %
orientation	2 deg	3 %

Cheat Sheet

- rotation frequency $f_{\text{rot}} = 0.083$ Hz
($T_{\text{rot}} = 12$ sec)
 - input power $P_{\text{in}} = 1$ mW
 - finesse $F = 120$
 - cavity length $L = 140$ mm
 - silicon length $d = 20$ mm
 - silicon refractive index $n = 3.69$
 - silicon AR loss $I < 0.5$ % / surface
 - incident angle $\theta = 9.5$ deg
 - FSR = 1.5 GHz
 - FWHM = 12 MHz
 - laser: Koheras AdjustiK C15
 - motor: Nikki Denso τ DISC
(ND110-85-FC)
 - sensitivity $\sim 4e-13$ /rtHz
 - shot noise $\sim 7e-14$ /rtHz
($\propto 1/F$, $\propto 1/\sqrt{P_{\text{in}}}$)
 - mirror thermal $\sim 5e-16$ /rtHz
- (all @ 0.1 Hz)

Previous Limits on HOLV

- first limits odd-parity coefficients
- cf. previous limits for even-parity coefficients
 - d=6: $\sim 10^6 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$
 - d=8: $\sim 10^{31} \sim 10^{35} \text{ GeV}^{-4}$

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[S. R. Parker *et al.*:
[PRL 106, 180401 \(2011\)](#)]