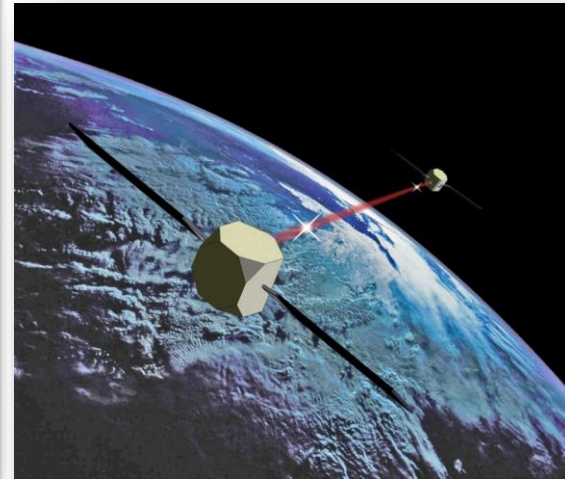
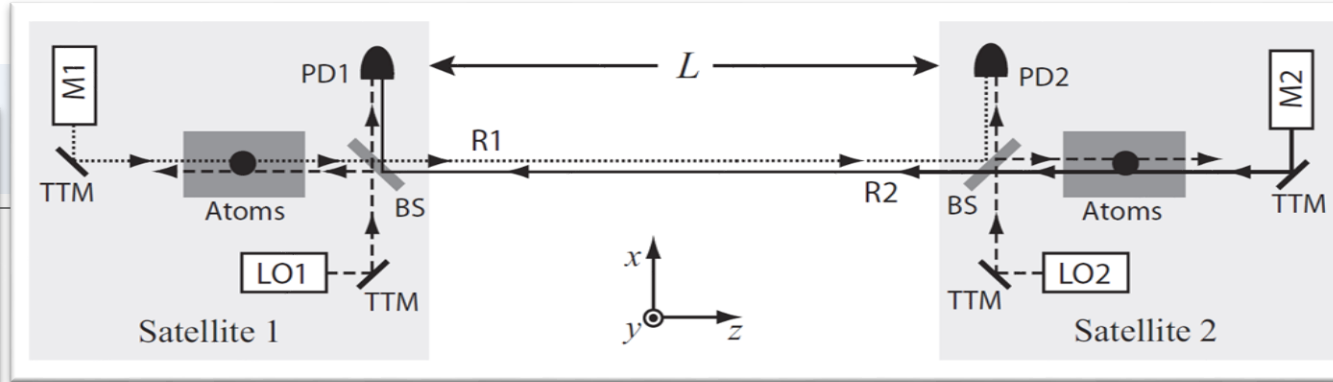
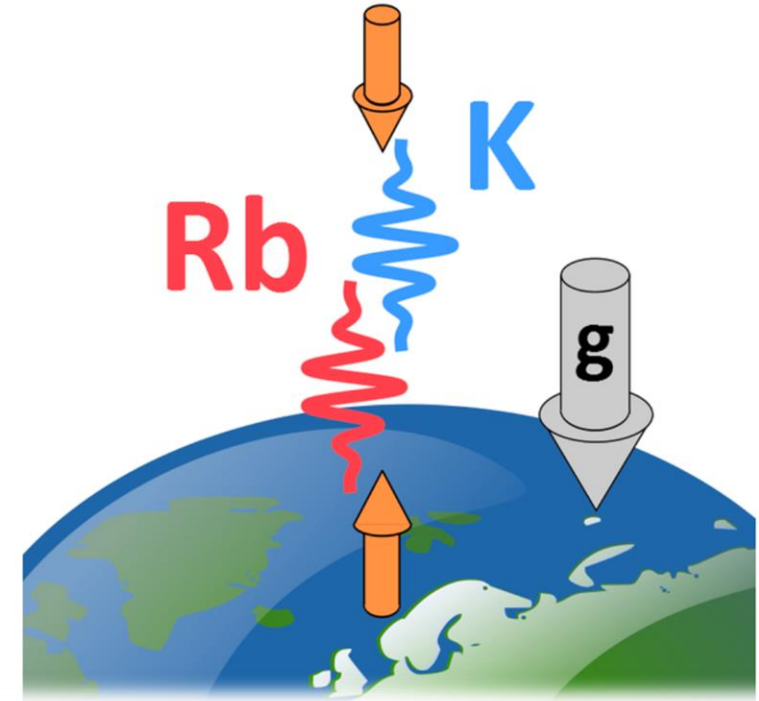


A UK Atom Interferometer Observatory and Network



**Atomic
Experiment
for Dark
Matter
and Gravity
Exploration**



**STE-QUEST: An M-class Cold
Atom mission to probe gravity,
dark matter and quantum
mechanics**

Oliver Buchmueller, Imperial College London

COLD ATOM QUANTUM TECHNOLOGY TO EXPLORE FUNDAMENTAL PHYSICS

SCIENCE CASE

Example of Open Questions in Fundamental Physics

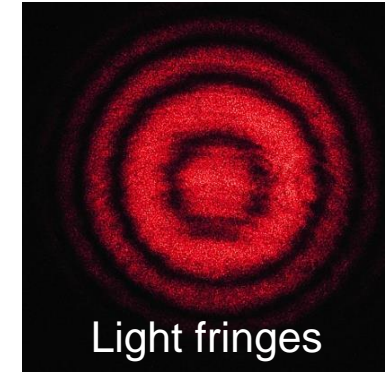
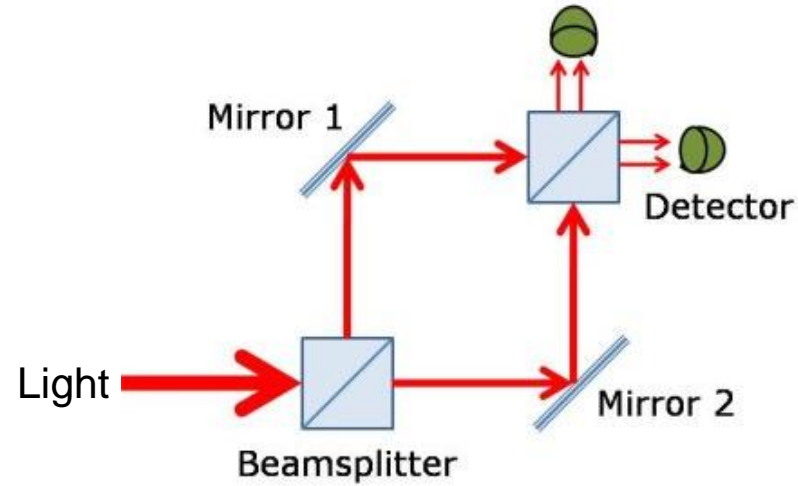
- **What is dark matter made of?**
- **What is dark energy made of?**
- **Why is there more matter than antimatter in the universe?**
- **How heavy are the neutrinos? What was their role in the formation of the universe?**
- **Is there a quantum theory of gravity that can describe the universe we live in?**
- **What is the number of dimensions in a fundamental theory of nature?**
- **... and many more**

AION AND MAGIS EXPERIMENTS

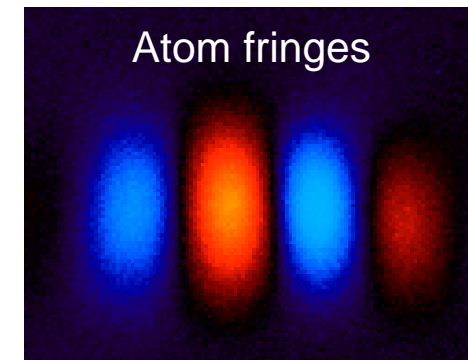
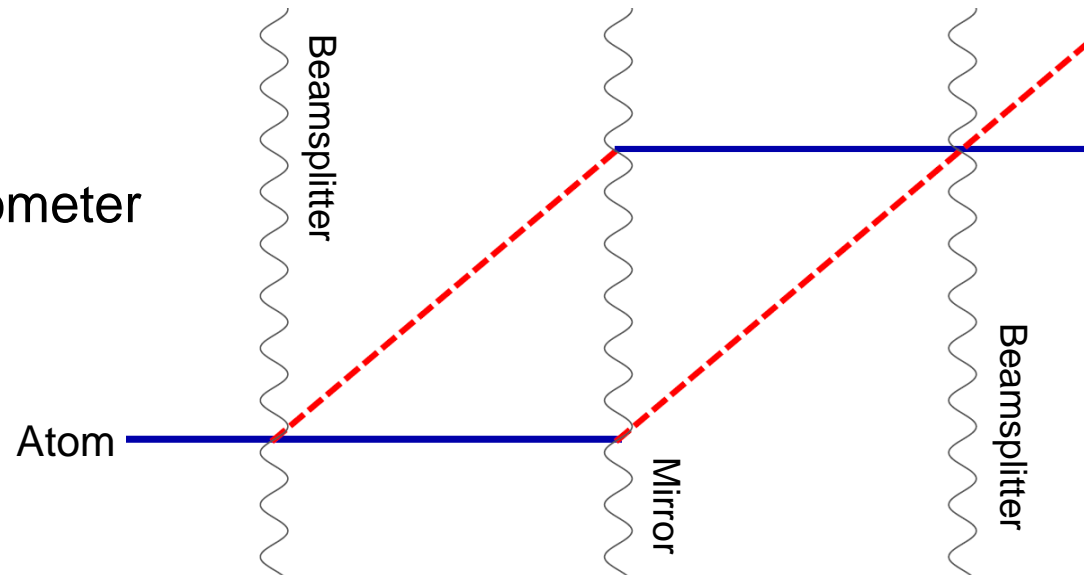
EXAMPLE OF TERRESTRIAL DETECTOR

Light vs. Cold Atoms: Atom Interferometry

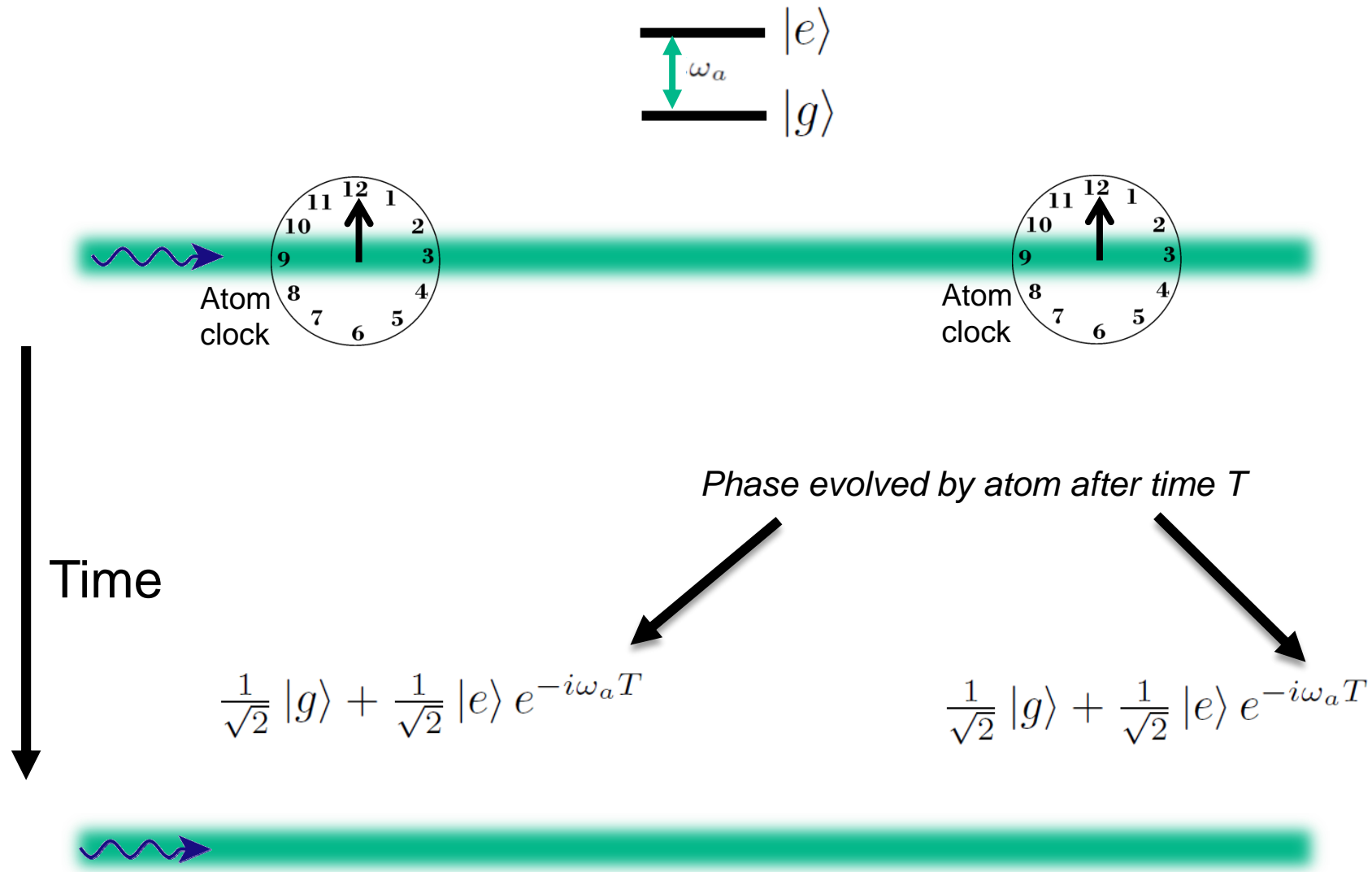
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Atom
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Simple Example: Two Atomic Clocks

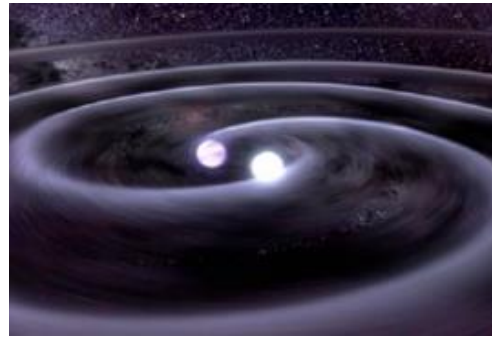


Simple Example: Two Atomic Clocks

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |g\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |e\rangle$$
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Time

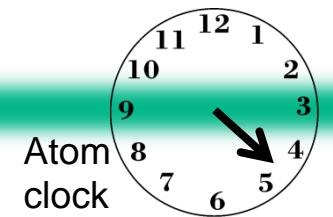
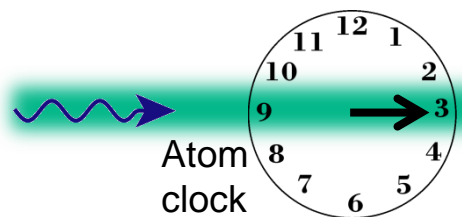
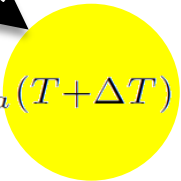


**GW changes
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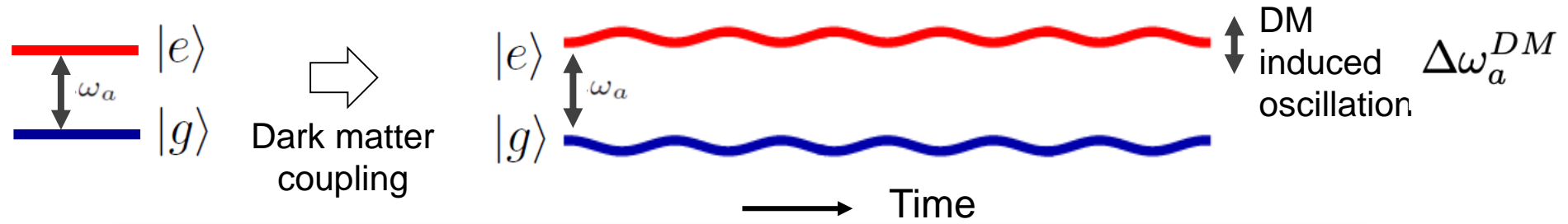
$$\Delta T \sim hL/c$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |g\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |e\rangle e^{-i\omega_a T}$$

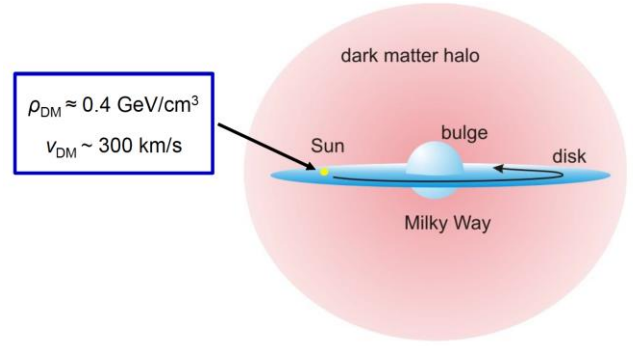
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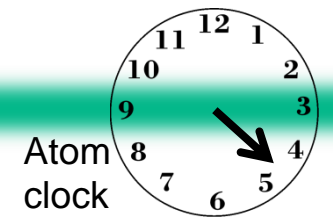
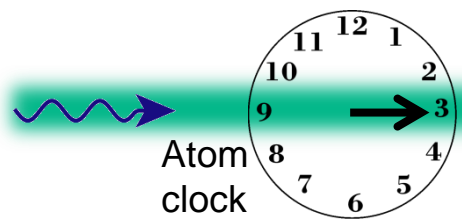


DM cloud changes atom frequency

DM coupling causes time-varying atomic energy levels:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |g\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |e\rangle e^{-i\omega_a T}$$

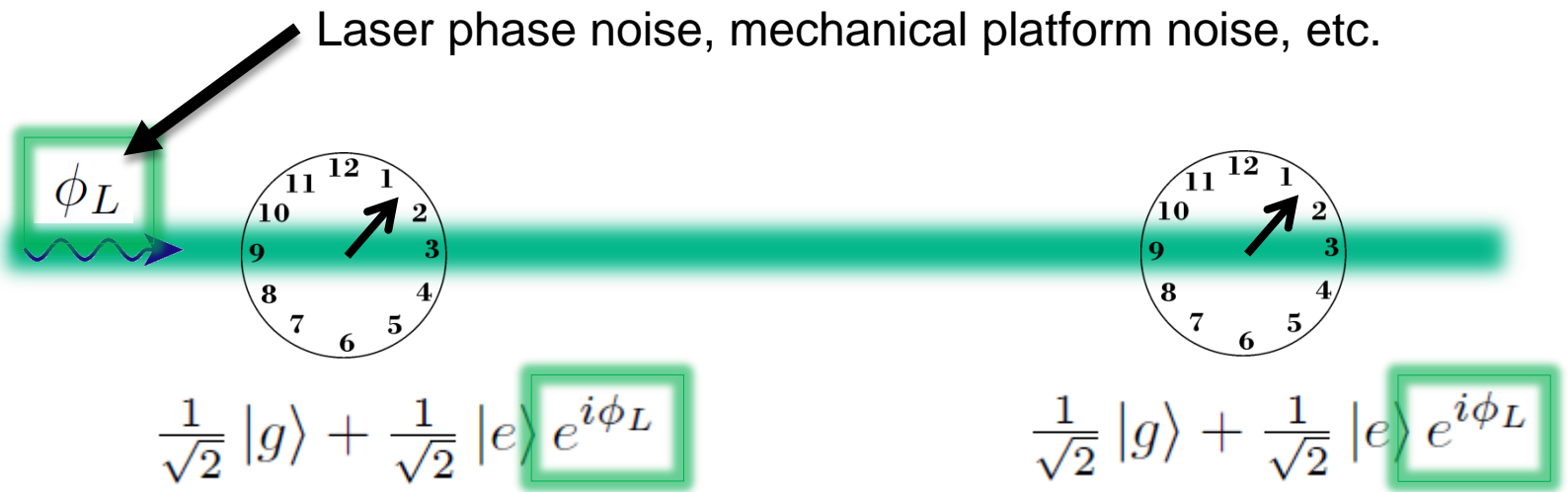
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |g\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |e\rangle e^{-i(\omega_a + \Delta\omega_a^{DM})T}$$



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Phase Noise from the Laser

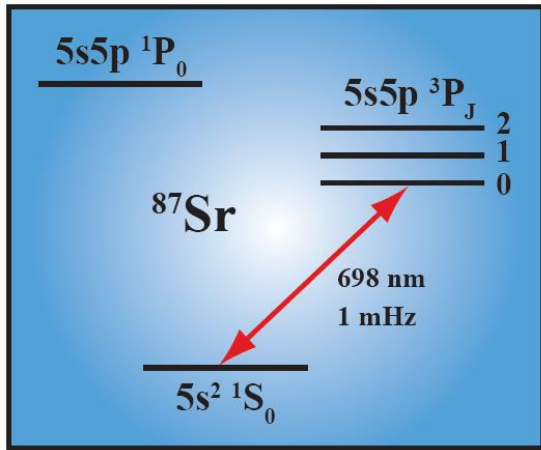
The phase of the laser is imprinted onto the atom.



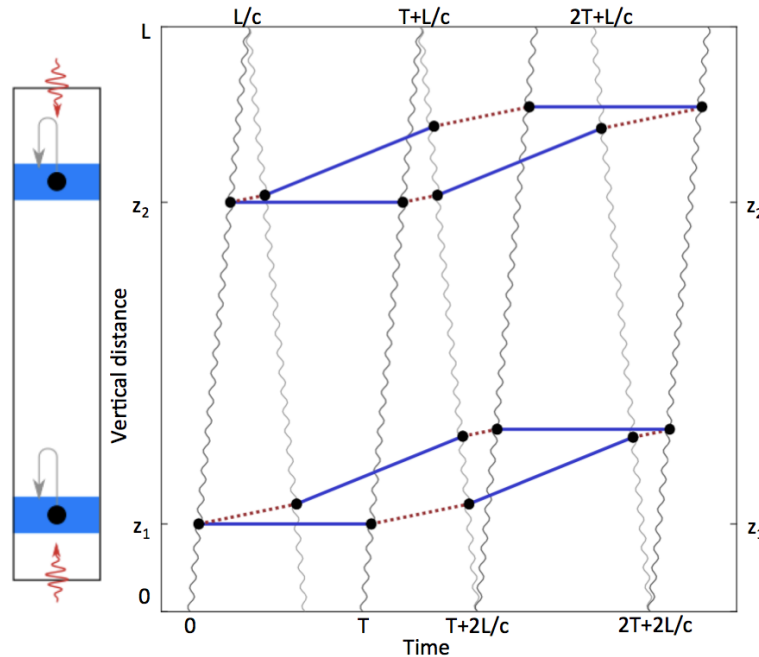
*Laser phase is **common** to both atoms – rejected in a differential measurement.*

AION: A Different Kind of Atom Interferometer

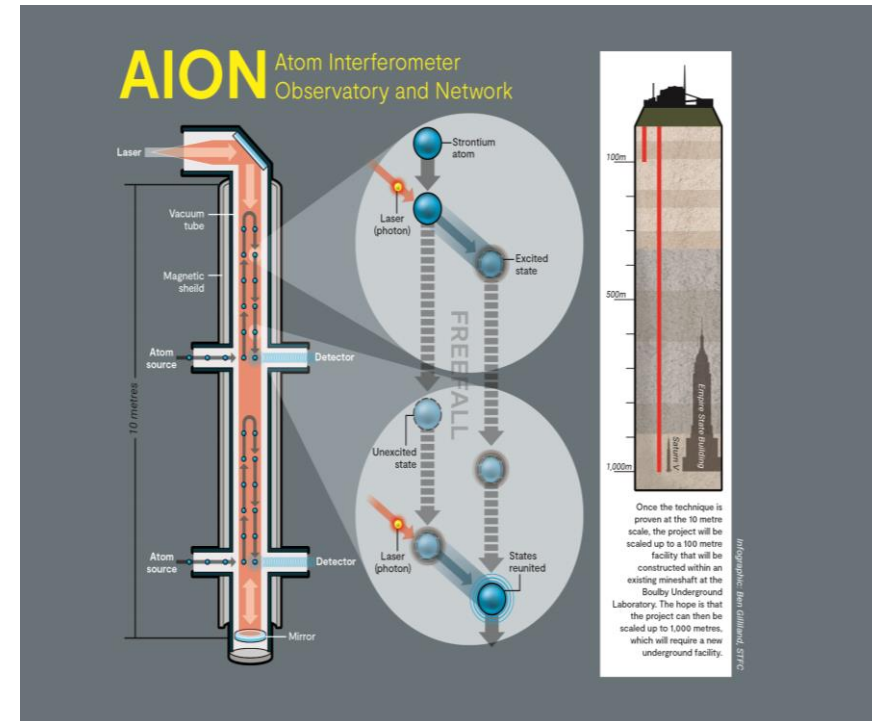
Hybrid “clock accelerometer”



Clock transition in candidate atom ^{87}Sr



Clock: measure light travel time → remove laser noise with *single baseline*



Sensitivity Scenario	L [m]	T_{int} [sec]	$\delta\phi_{noise}$ [$1/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$]	LMT [number n]
AION-10 (initial)	10	1.4	10^{-3}	100
AION-10 (goal)	10	1.4	10^{-4}	1000
AION-100 (initial)	100	1.4	10^{-4}	1000
AION-100 (goal)	100	1.4	10^{-5}	40000
AION-km	2000	5	0.3×10^{-5}	40000

Used for sensitivity projections

For ultimate sensitivity we need to push each basic parameter by $\sim O(10)$.

The project aims to demonstrate in funding period e.g.

- LMT: $\sim 1000 \text{ hbar} \cdot \text{k}$
- Squeezing $\sim 20\text{dB}$ for $> 1\text{e}6$ Atoms

The AION Programme consists of 4 Stages

❑ **Stage 1:** to build and commission the 10 m detector, develop existing technology and the infrastructure for the 100 m.

L ~ 10m

❑ **Stage 2:** to build, commission and exploit the 100 m detector and carry out a design study for the km-scale detector.

L ~ 100m

- AION was selected in 2018 by STFC as a high-priority medium-scale project.
- AION will work in equal partnership with MAGIS in the US to form a “LIGO/Virgo-style” network & collaboration, providing a pathway for UK leadership.

Stage 1 is now funded with about £10M by the QTFP Programme and other sources and Stage 2 could be placed at national facility in Boulby or Daresbury (UK), possibly also at CERN (France/Switzerland).

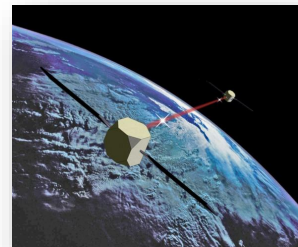
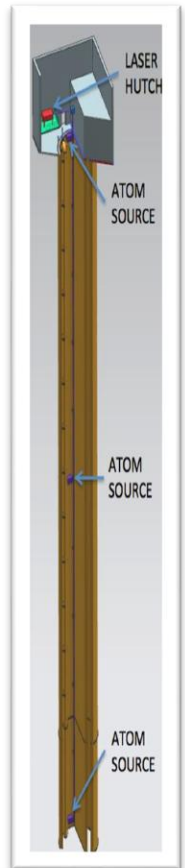
❑ **Stage 3:** to build a kilometre-scale terrestrial detector.

L ~ 1km

❑ **Stage 4:** long-term objective a pair of satellite detectors (thousands of kilometres scale) [AEDGE proposal to ESA Voyage2050 call]

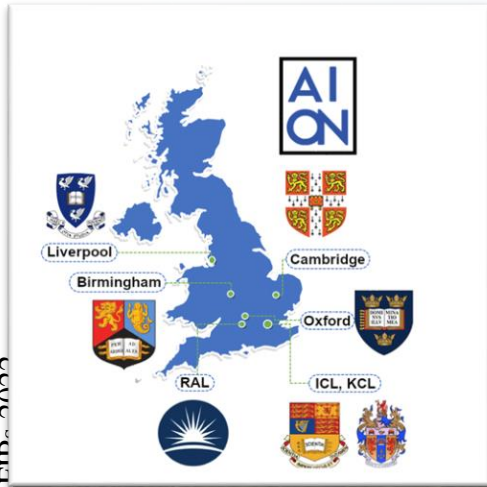
- AION has established science leadership in AEDGE, bringing together collaborators from European and Chinese groups (e.g. MIGA, MAGIA, ELGAR, ZAIGA).

Stage 3 and 4 will likely require funding on international level (ESA, EU, etc) and AION has already started to build the foundation for it.



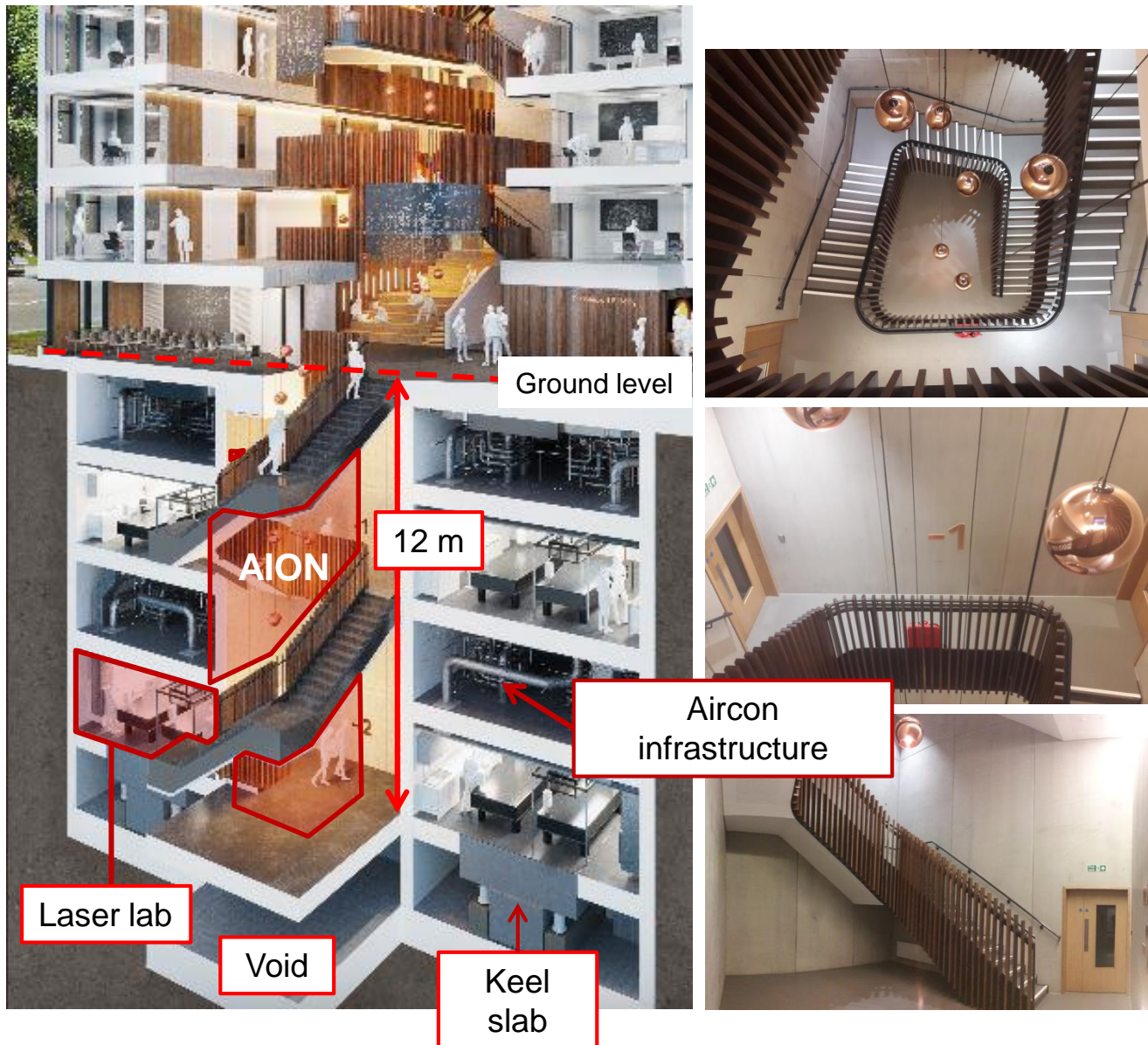
AION Collaboration Days in Oxford: Fall 2021

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Ratio of Cold Atom : Particle/Fundamental Physics people is 1:1

Beecroft building, Oxford Physics



Ultralow vibration

- All plant isolated
- Thick concrete walls

Adjacent laser lab reserved for AION use

- keel slabs
- $\pm 0.1^\circ\text{C}$ stability
- Isolated mains

Vertical space

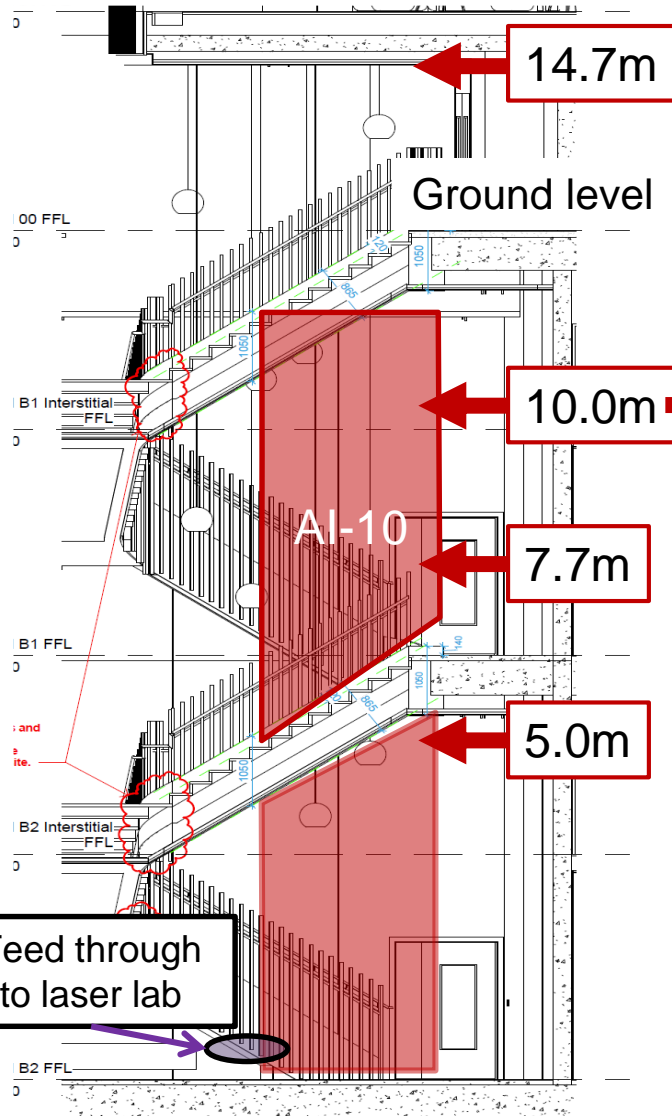
- 12m basement to ground floor
- 14.7m floor to ceiling

Stairwell is **not** a fire escape route.

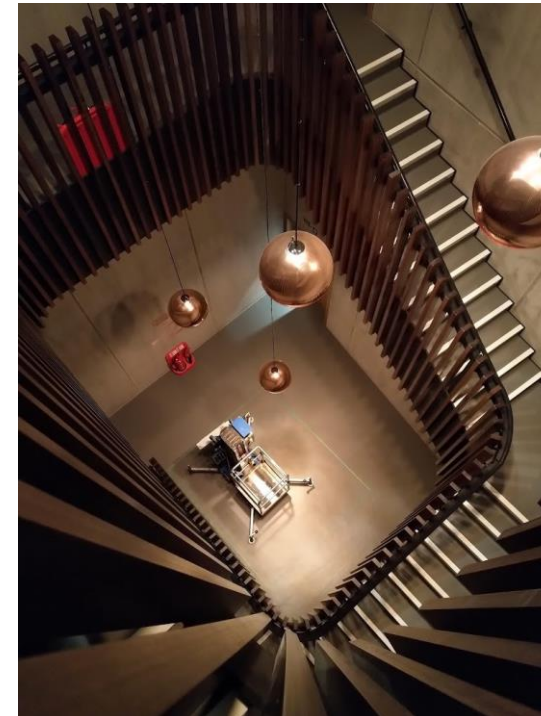
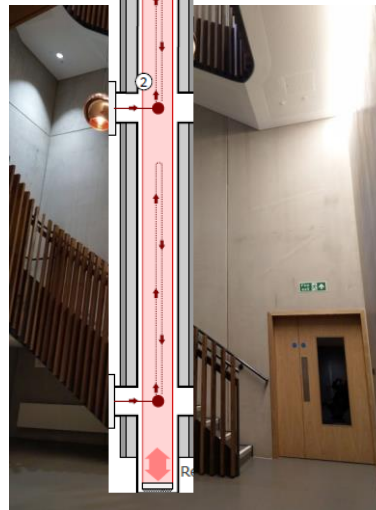
Bakeout room and cleanroom nearby

AION-10 site: Beecroft building, Oxford Physics

Beecroft building – brand new, low-vibration laser lab and concrete stairwell



- Detailed planning of support structure by RAL (Engineering), Oxford Physics Technical Services and Liverpool Univ.
- Experienced Project Manager: Roy Preece
- Good site for long-term operation and wide accessibility (also 'visibility' and outreach).

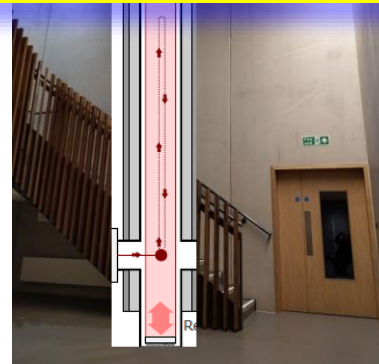
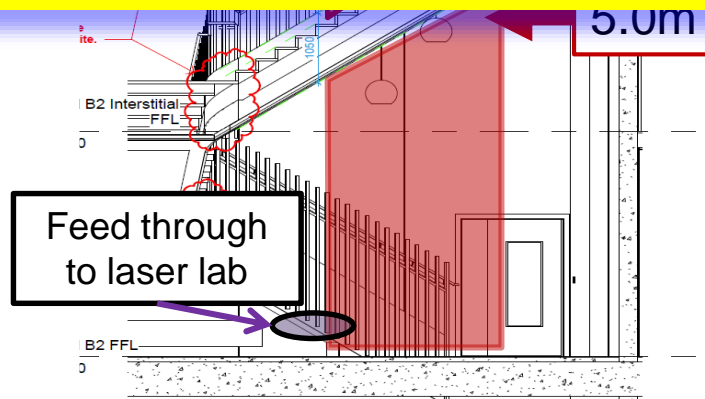


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For the first 30 months of the project, we will focus on the prerequisites for the 10m detector:

- Establish the Cold Atom infrastructure (e.g. build UltraCold Sr Laser Labs) and expertise
- Develop full design for 10m detector, ready for physics exploitation
- Partner AION with the MAGIS experiment in the US



Cambridge July 2022



Imperial July 2022



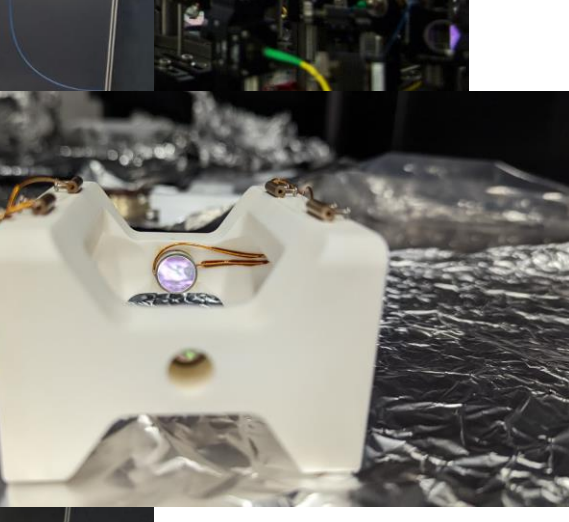
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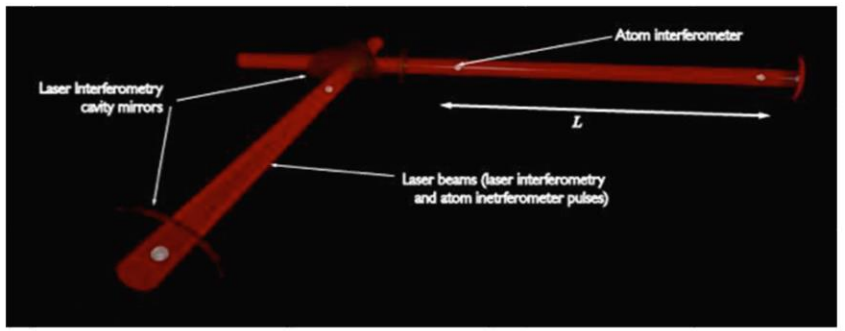


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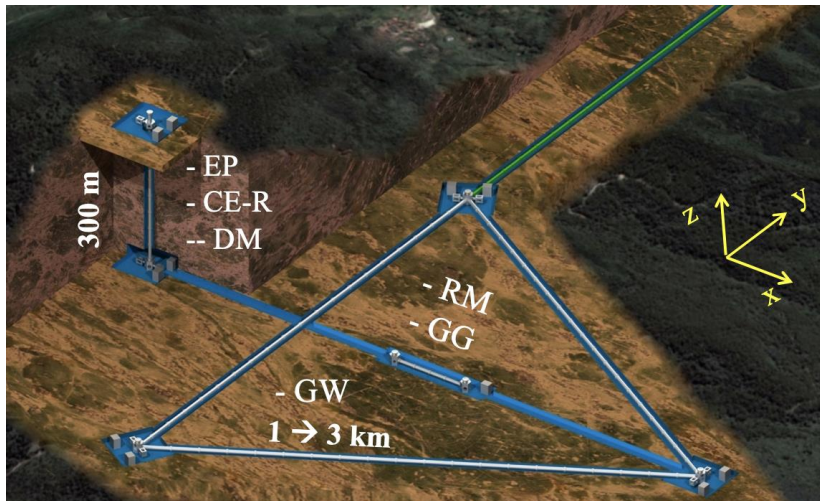


Ground Based Large Scale O(100m) Projects

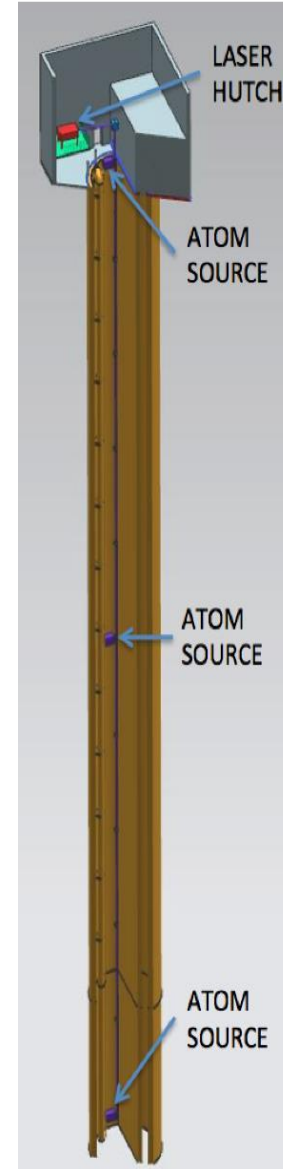
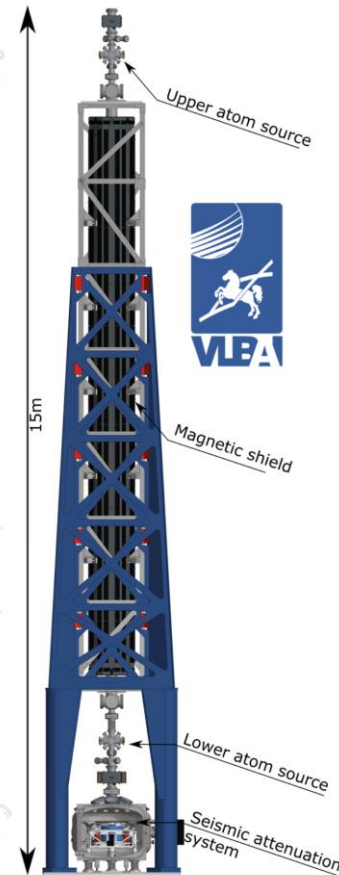
MIGA: Terrestrial detector using atom interferometer at O(100m)
(France)



ZIGA: Terrestrial detector for large scale atomic interferometers, gyros and clocks at O(100m)
(China)



VLBAI: Terrestrial tower using atom interferometer O(10m)
(Germany)



AION: Terrestrial shaft detector using atom interferometer at 10m
– O(100m) planned
(UK)

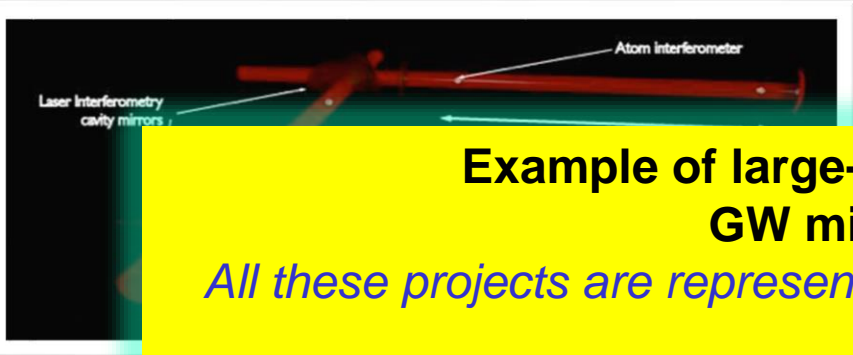


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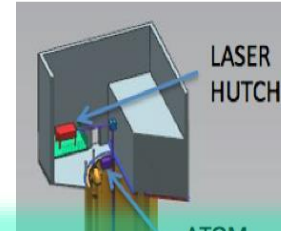
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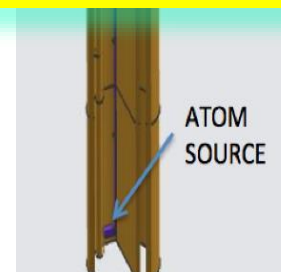
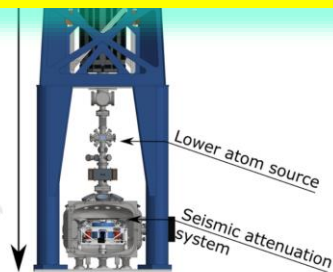
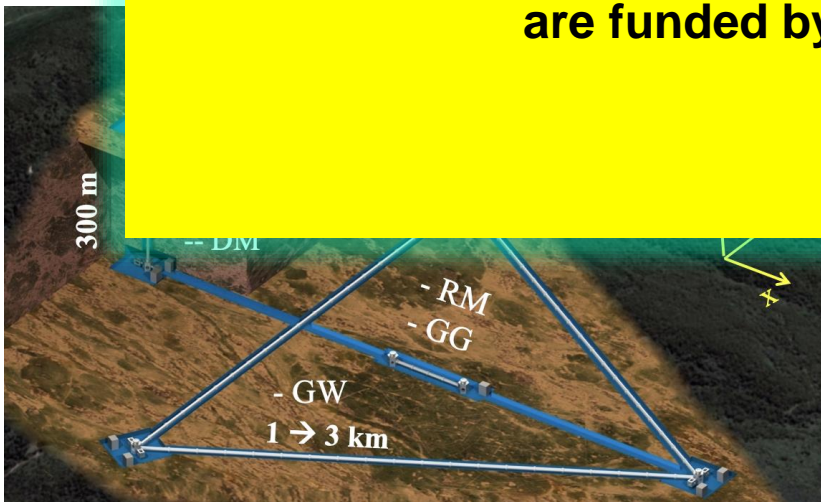
AION: Terrestrial shaft detector using atom interferometer at 10m – O(100m) planned (UK)

Example of large-scale CA projects that act as demonstrators for GW mid-frequency band and DM detectors.
All these projects are represented in the AEDGE consortium and now are also part of the Cold Atoms in Space Community.

Each project requires an investment of O(10M) currency units.
All projects (AION, MAGIS, MIGA, VLBAI, ZIGA) are funded by national funding agencies and foundations.

Timeline 2020 to 2025ish

ZIGA: interf



MAGIS: Terrestrial shaft detector using atom interferometer at O(100m) (US)

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**Workshop will at CERN
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on March 13/14 2023**

[announcement coming soon]

Possible CERN Site for AION 100m

PX46 – P4 Support shaft

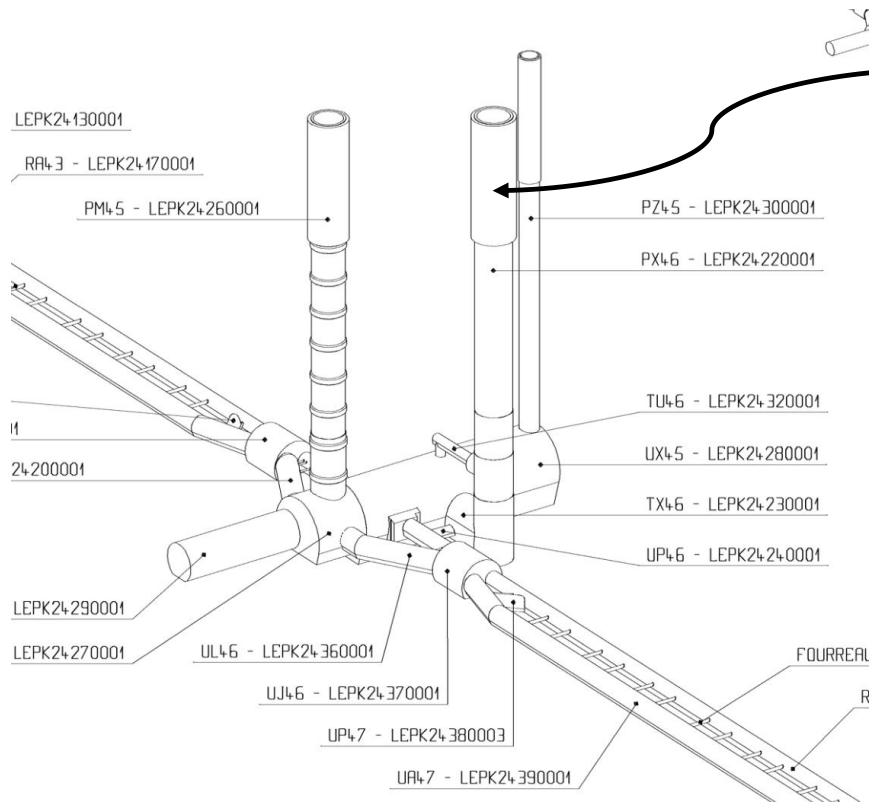
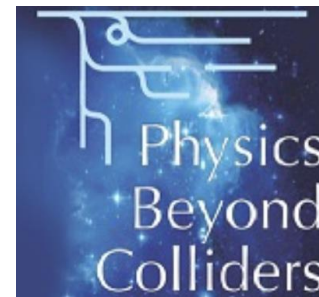
Lengths 143m

D = 10.10m

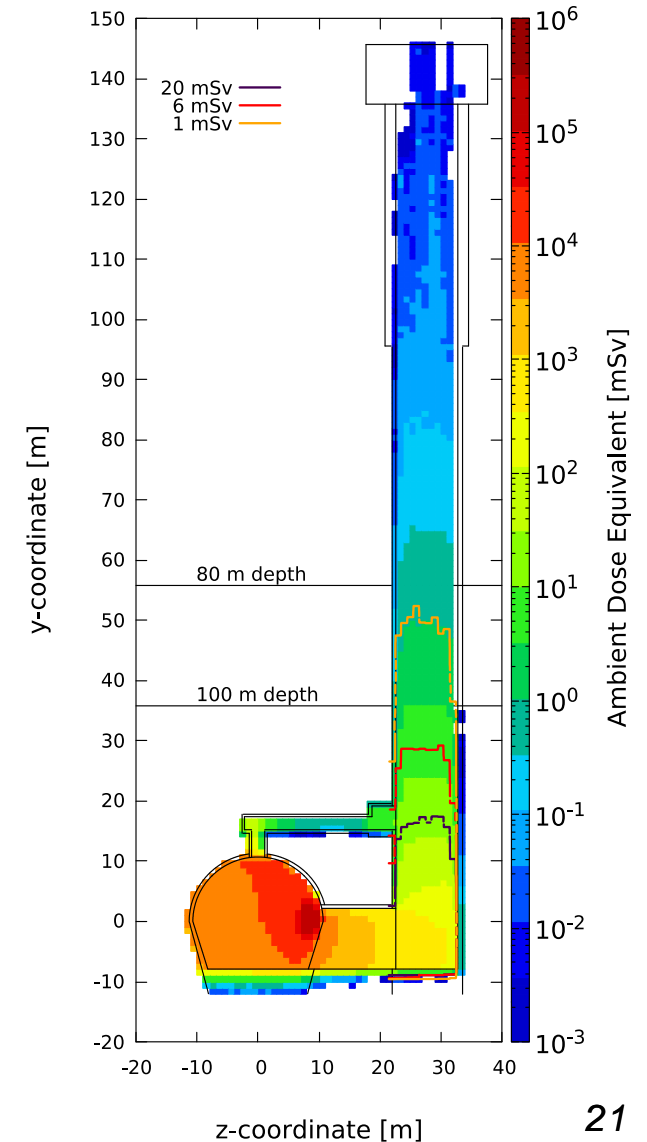
➤ **Ideal basic parameters for AION100**

First radiation studies are also looking promising but more work is needed to determine if PX46 could be a valid option for AION 100.

We are working with PBC Team on this feasibility study

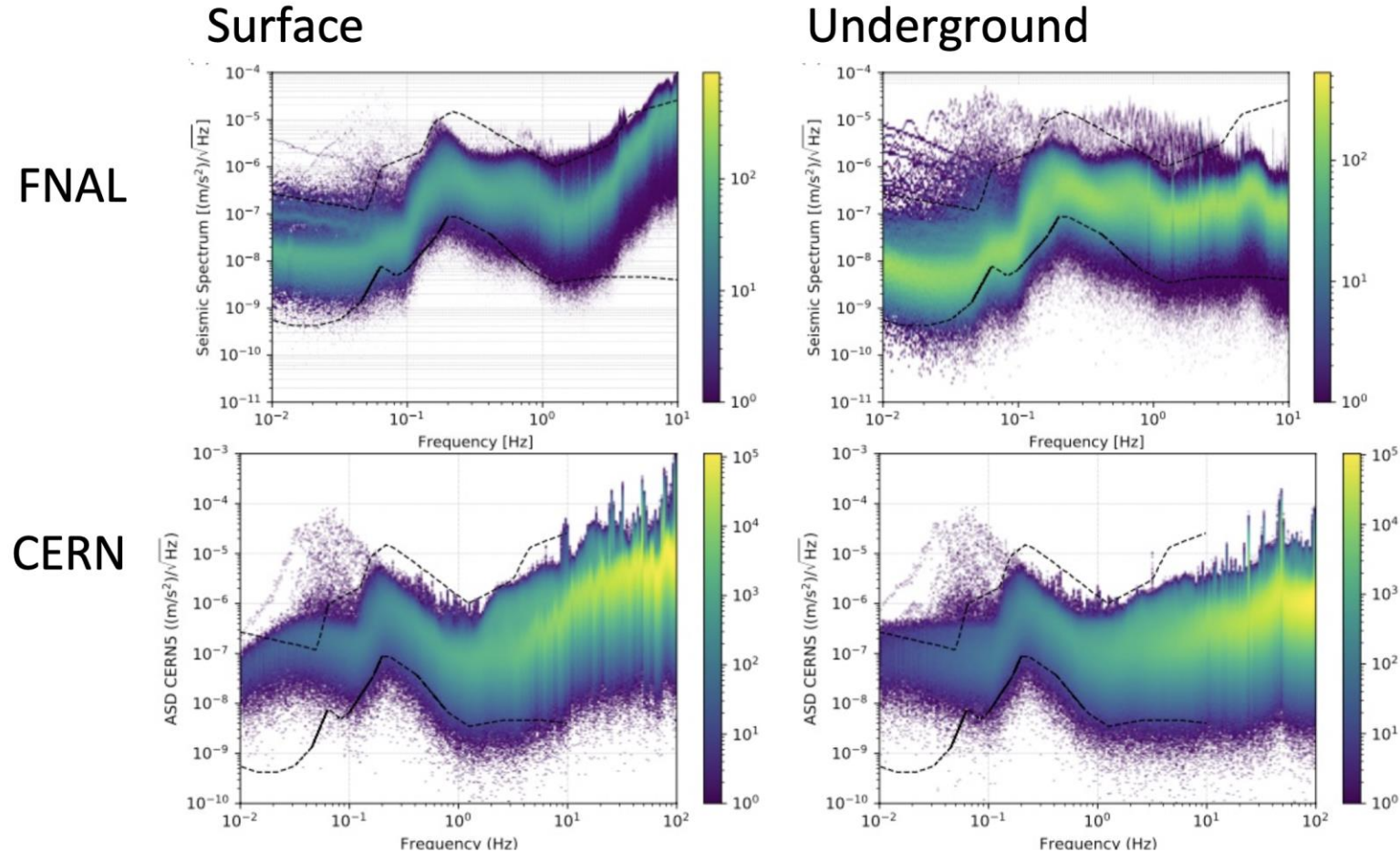


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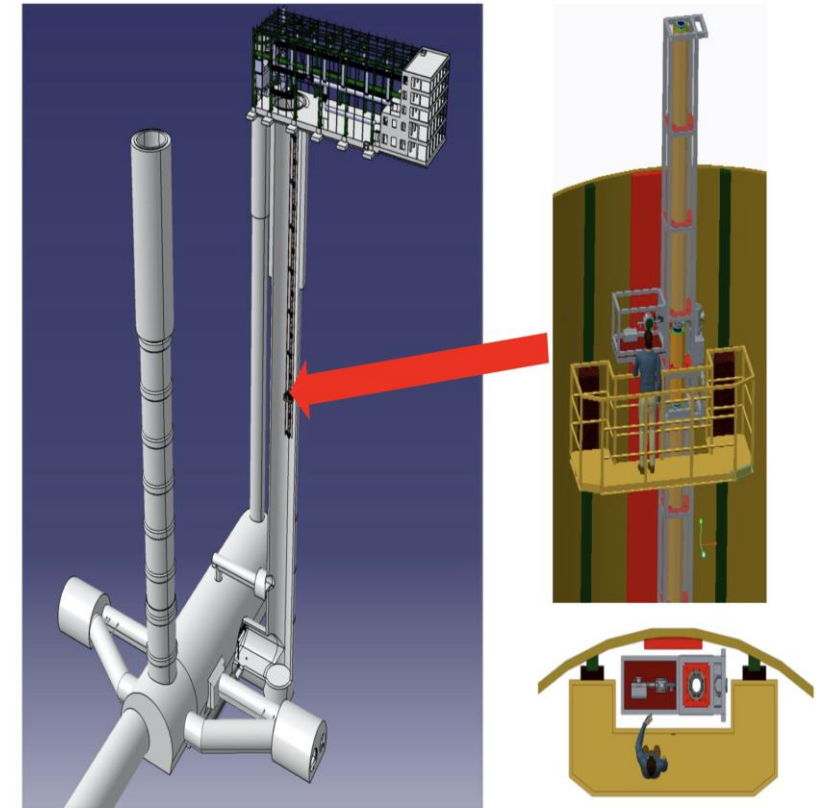
Other site options that are currently investigated are the **national facility in Boulby and Daresbury (UK).**

A 100 Detector at CERN – Site Investigation



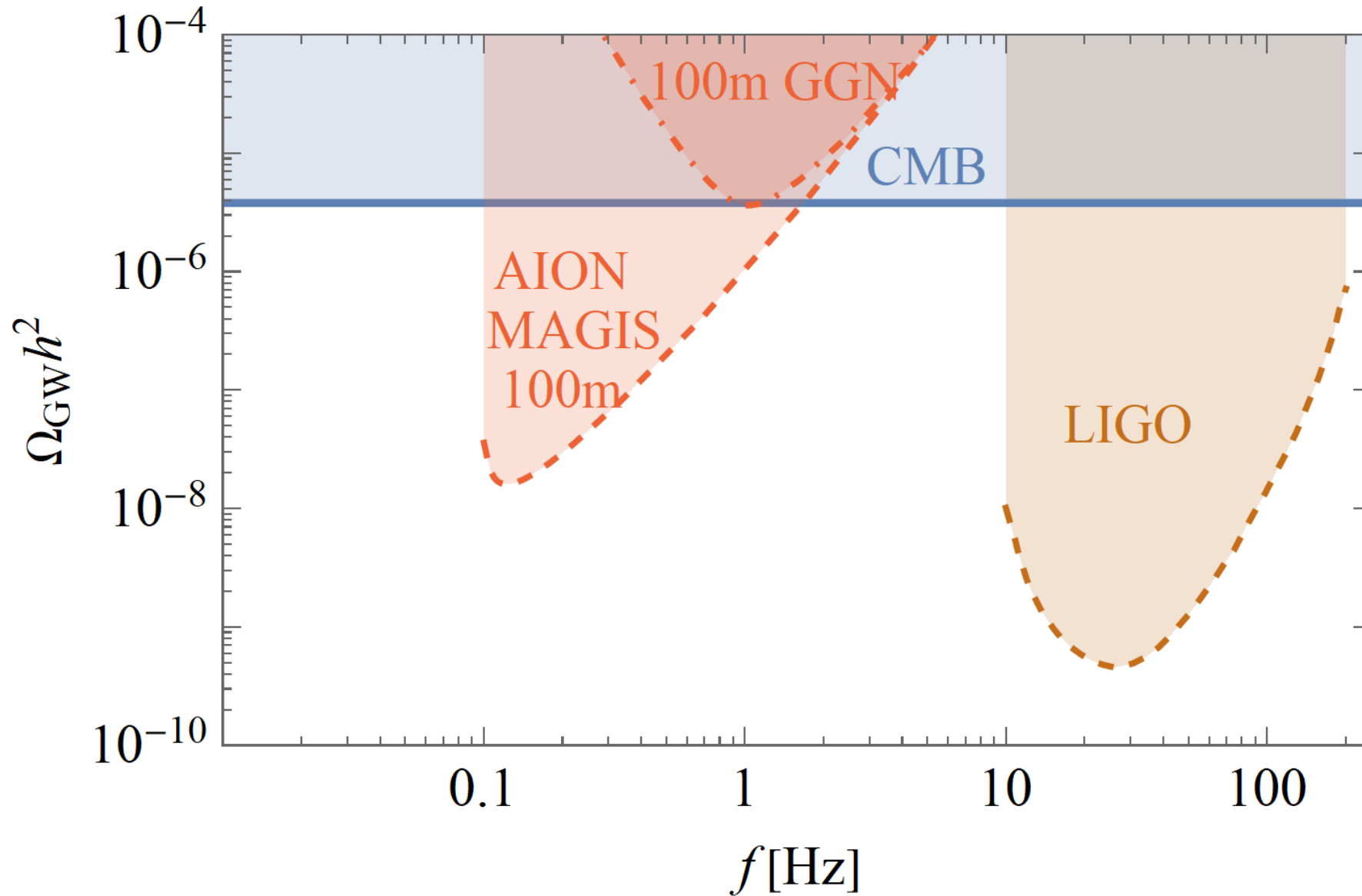
General view of LHC Point 4

Possible layout in PX46 shaft



Spectrum similar to that measured at Fermilab for MAGIS
More about the site investigation in the backup

The GW Experimental Landscape: 2030ish

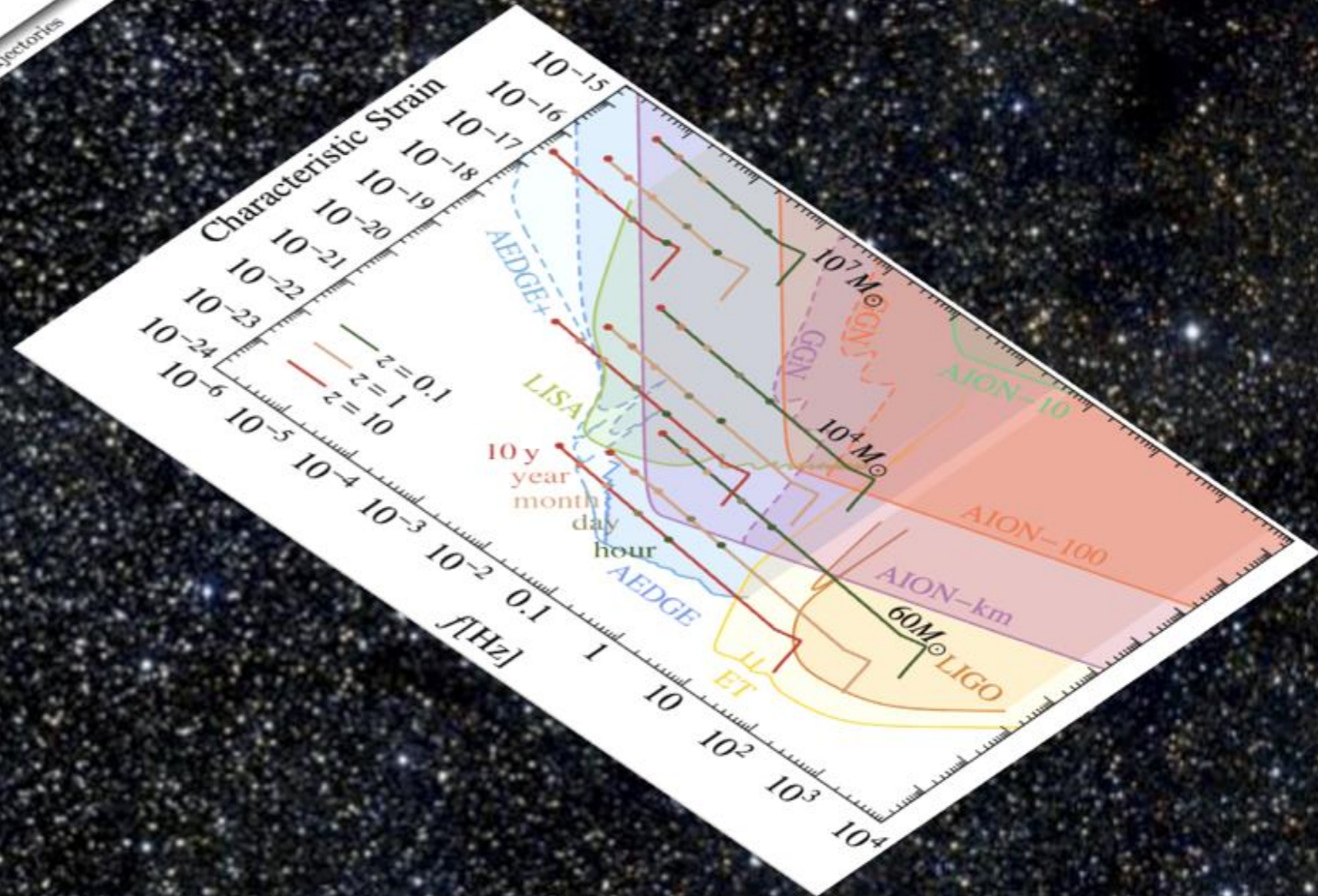
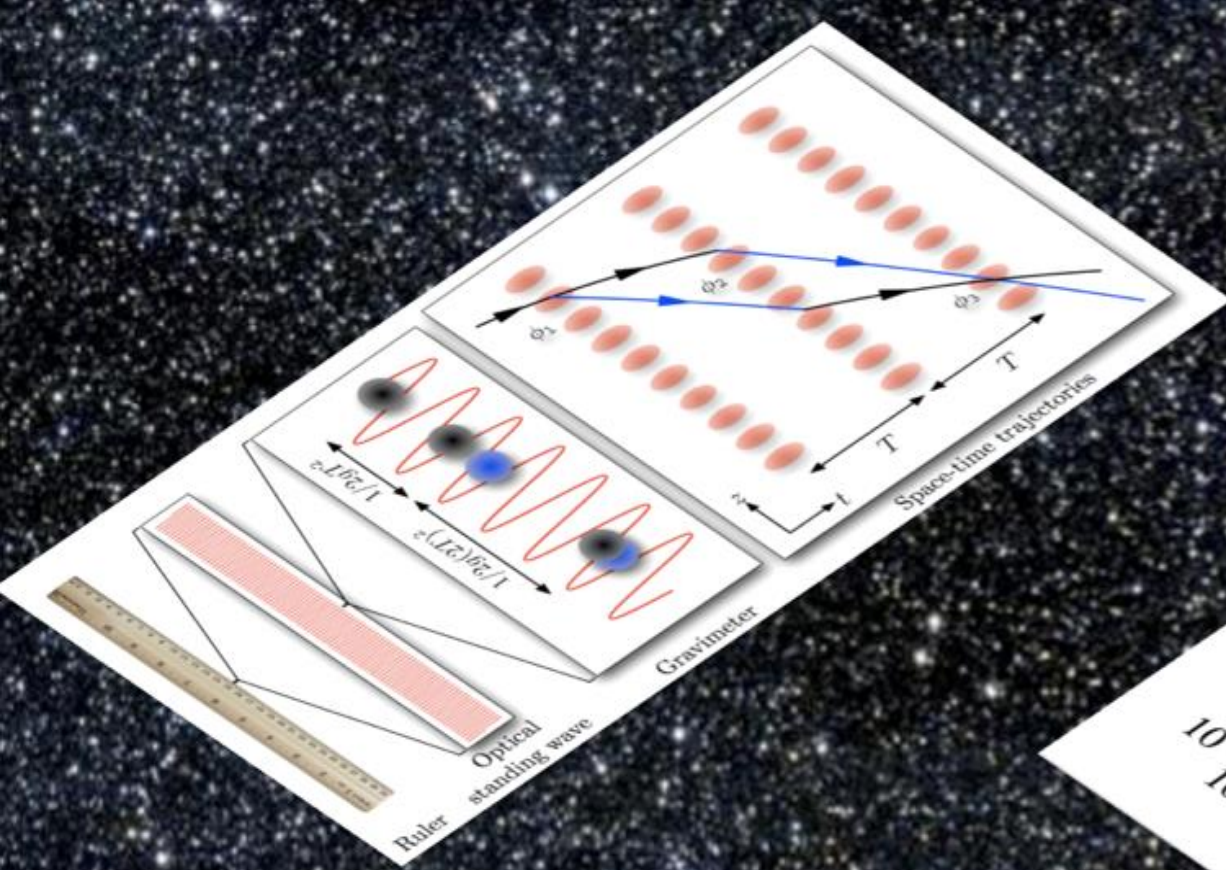


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COMMUNITY WORKSHOP FOR COLD ATOMS IN SPACE

Community Workshop on Cold Atoms in Space



Virtual Workshop

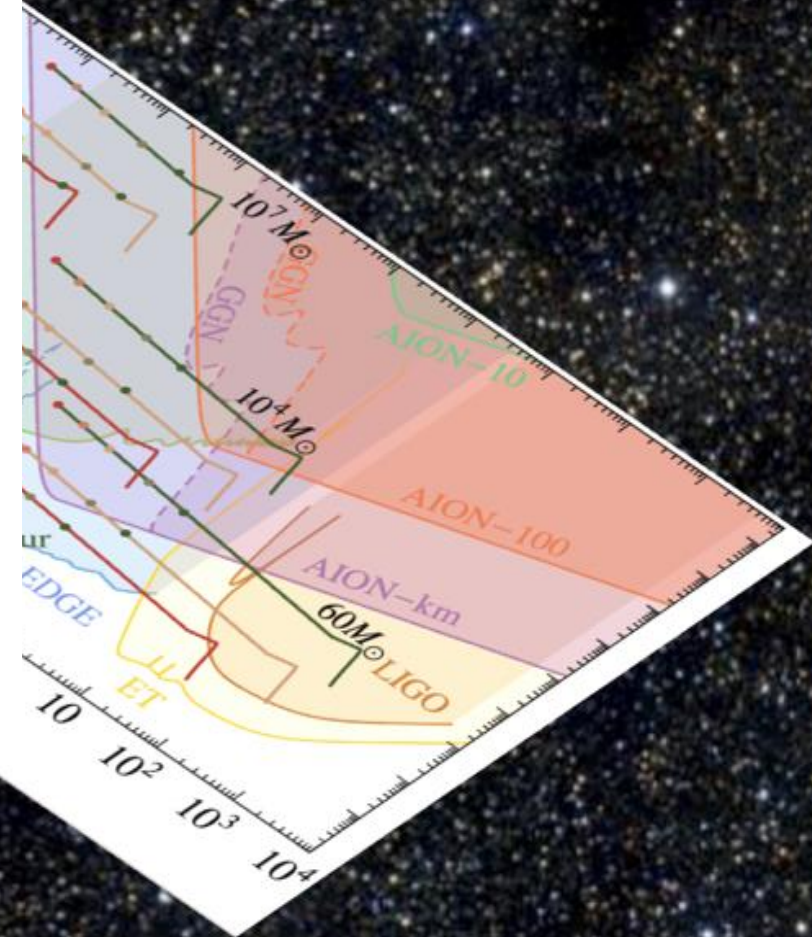
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Text Boxes:

- Red Box:** Closely related to FP
- Green Box:** Interest from space agencies
- Grey Box:** Other interesting space applications of cold atoms

Community Workshop Summary & Road-map

Cold Atoms in Space:

Community Workshop Summary and Proposed Road-Map

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2201.07789>

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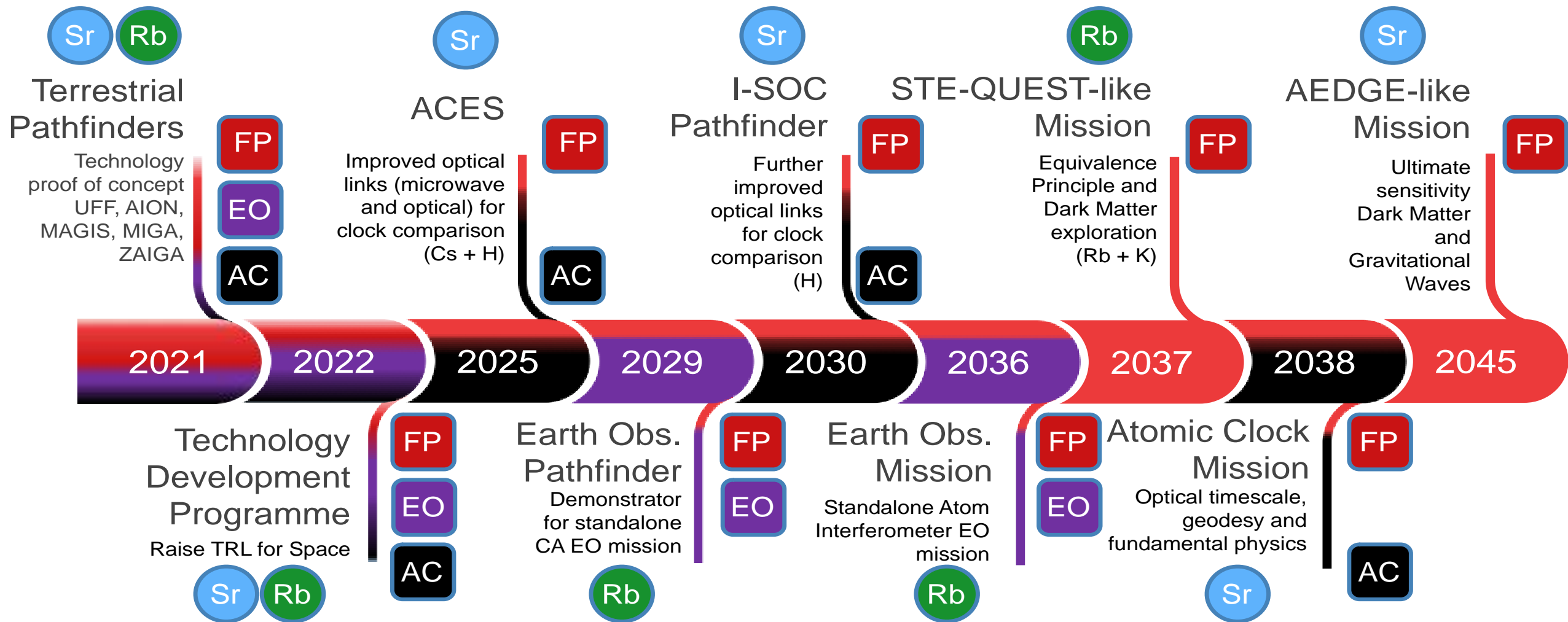
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This document has been signed by more than **250 scientists**, representing the cold atom, astrophysics, cosmology, fundamental physics, geodesy and earth observation communities.

Community Proposal for an ESA Road-Map for Cold Atoms in Space



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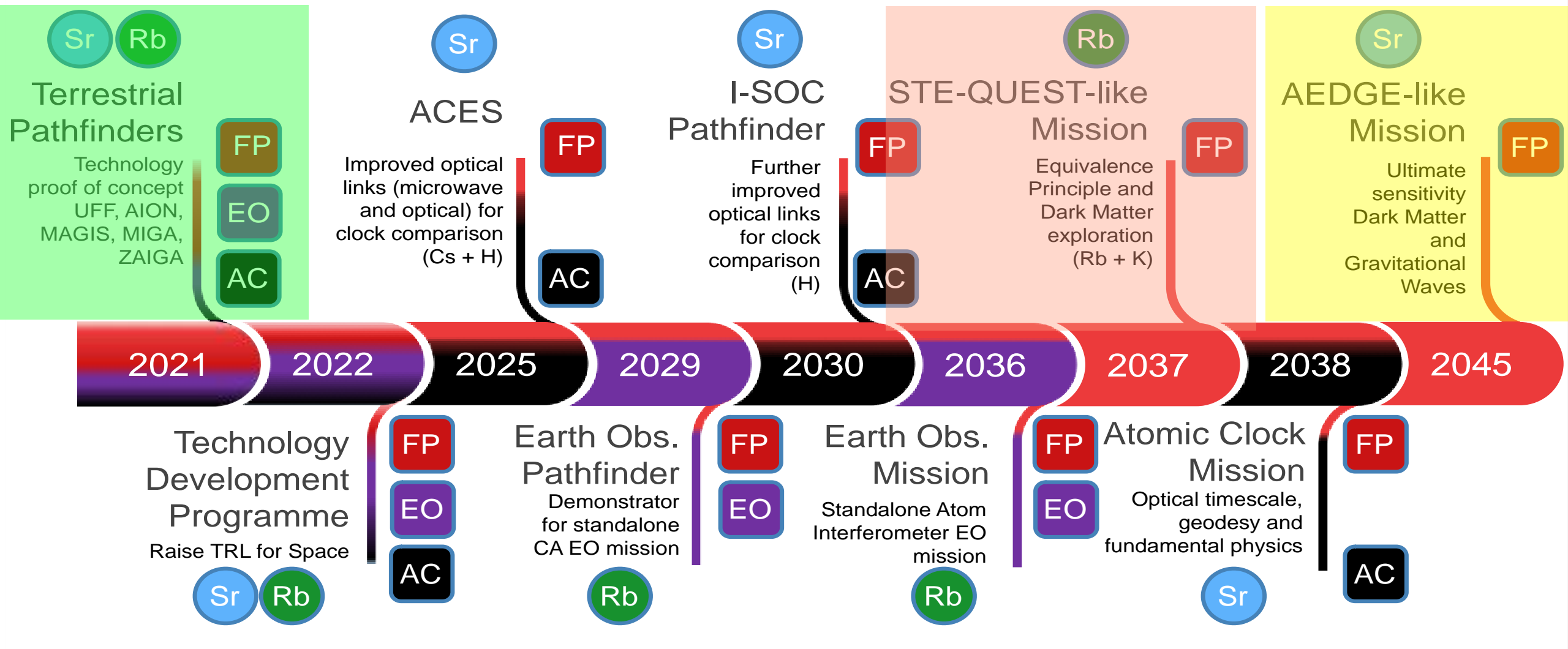
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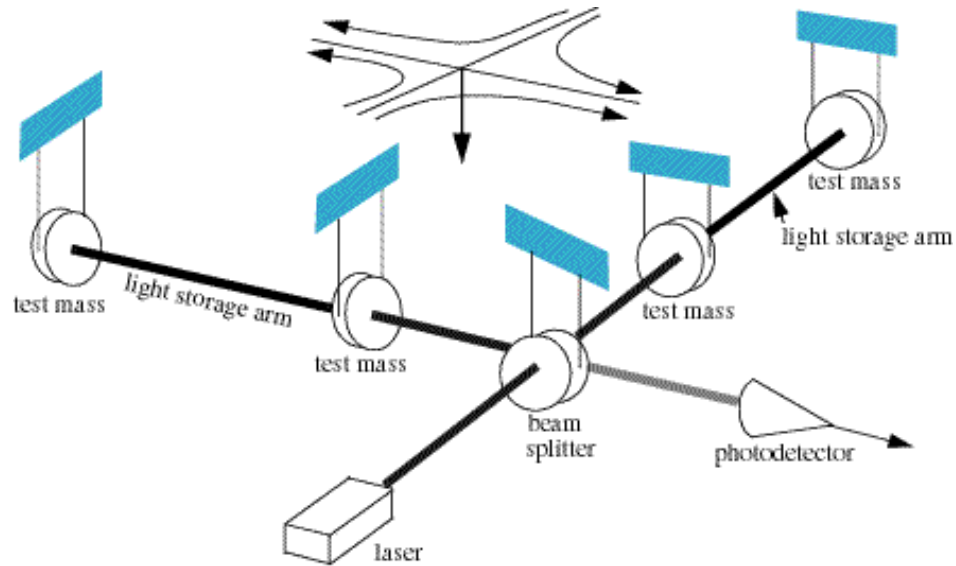
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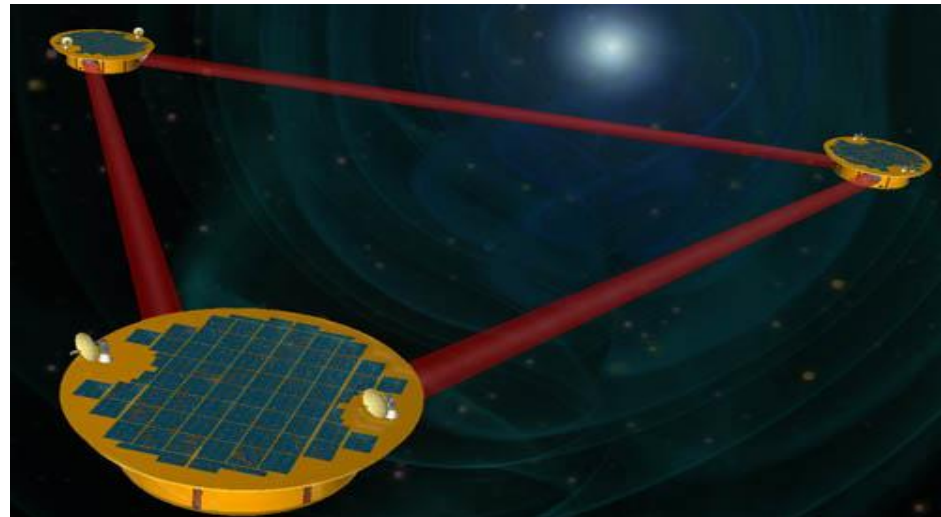
THE SCIENCE CASE

UNEXPLORED MID-FREQUENCY GRAVITATIONAL WAVES

Laser Interferometer Detectors



Ground-based detectors: LIGO, VIRGO, GEO (> 10 Hz)



Space-based detector concept: planned LISA mission (1 mHz – 100 mHz), also proposals to extend LISA concept to higher frequencies

GW Detection 2016

PRL **116**, 061102 (2016)

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Observation of Gravitational Waves from a Binary Black Hole Merger

B. P. Abbott *et al.**

(LIGO Scientific Collaboration and Virgo Collaboration)

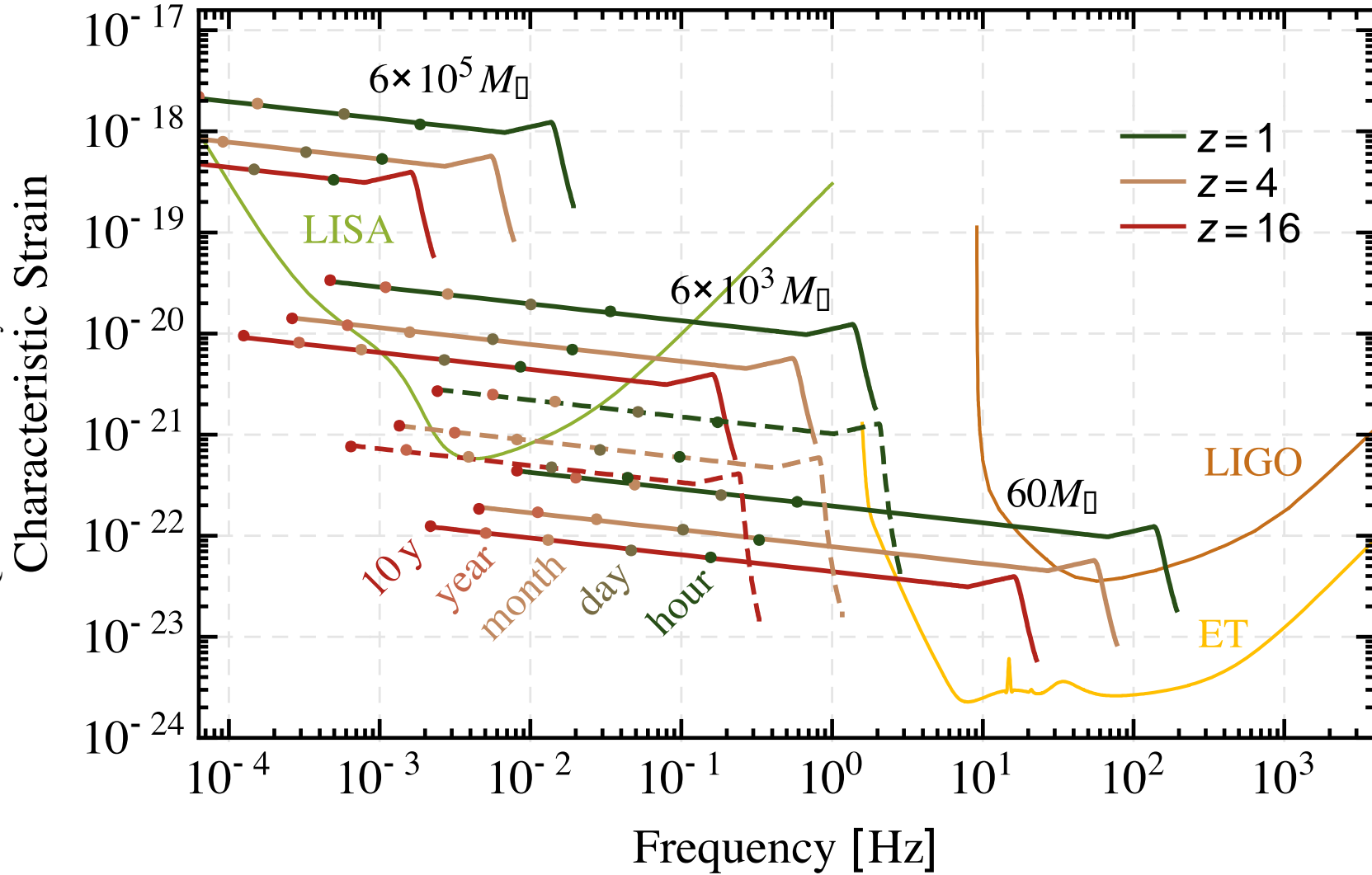
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On September 14, 2015 at 09:50:45 UTC the two detectors of the Laser Interferometer Gravitational-Wave Observatory simultaneously observed a transient gravitational-wave signal. The signal sweeps upwards in frequency from 35 to 250 Hz with a peak gravitational-wave strain of 1.0×10^{-21} . It matches the waveform predicted by general relativity for the inspiral and merger of a pair of black holes and the ringdown of the resulting single black hole. The signal was observed with a matched-filter signal-to-noise ratio of 24 and a false alarm rate estimated to be less than 1 event per 203 000 years, equivalent to a significance greater than 5.1σ . The source lies at a luminosity distance of 410_{-180}^{+160} Mpc corresponding to a redshift $z = 0.09_{-0.04}^{+0.03}$. In the source frame, the initial black hole masses are $36_{-4}^{+5}M_{\odot}$ and $29_{-4}^{+4}M_{\odot}$, and the final black hole mass is $62_{-4}^{+4}M_{\odot}$, with $3.0_{-0.5}^{+0.5}M_{\odot}c^2$ radiated in gravitational waves. All uncertainties define 90% credible intervals. These observations demonstrate the existence of binary stellar-mass black hole systems. This is the first direct detection of gravitational waves and the first observation of a binary black hole merger.

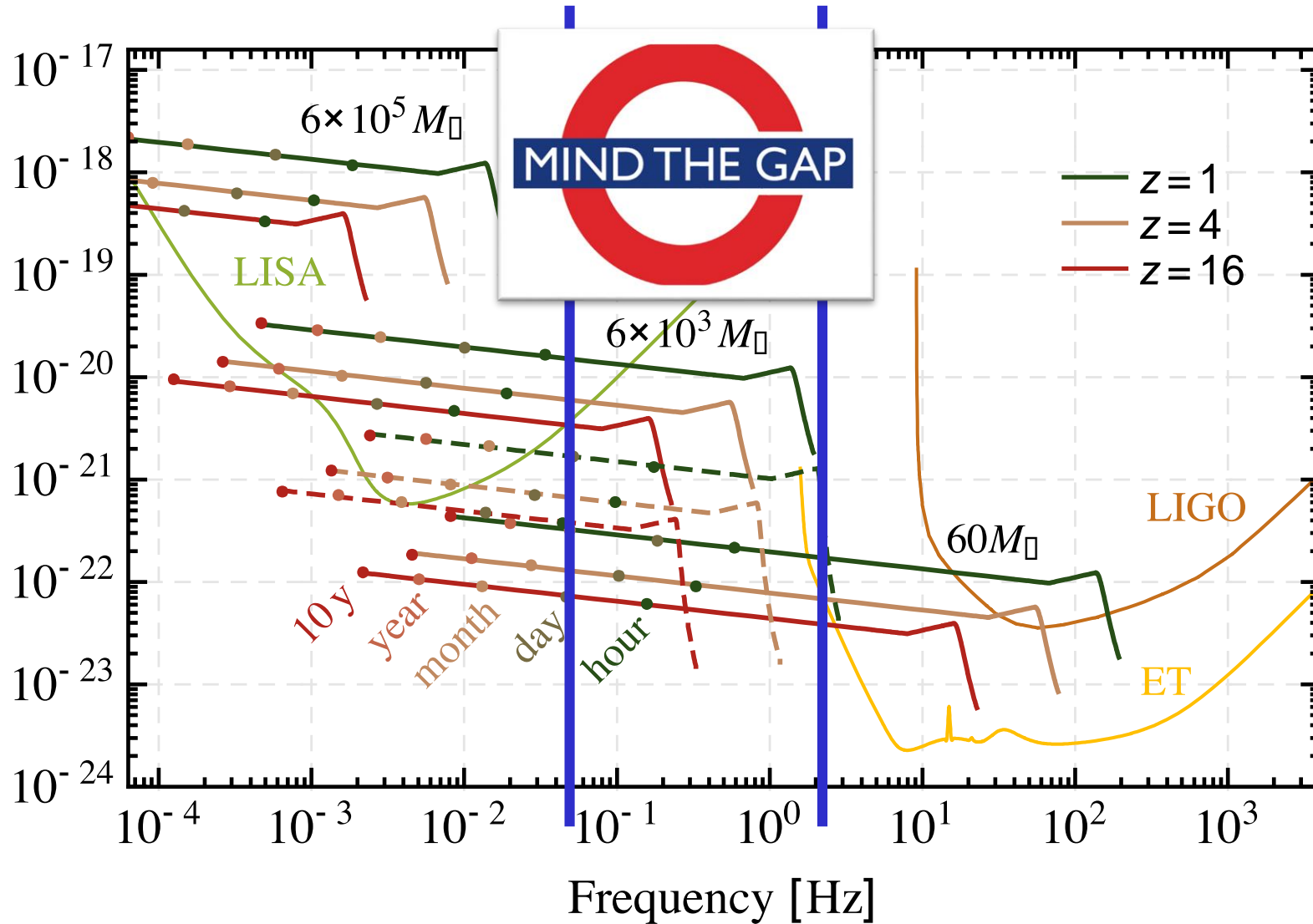
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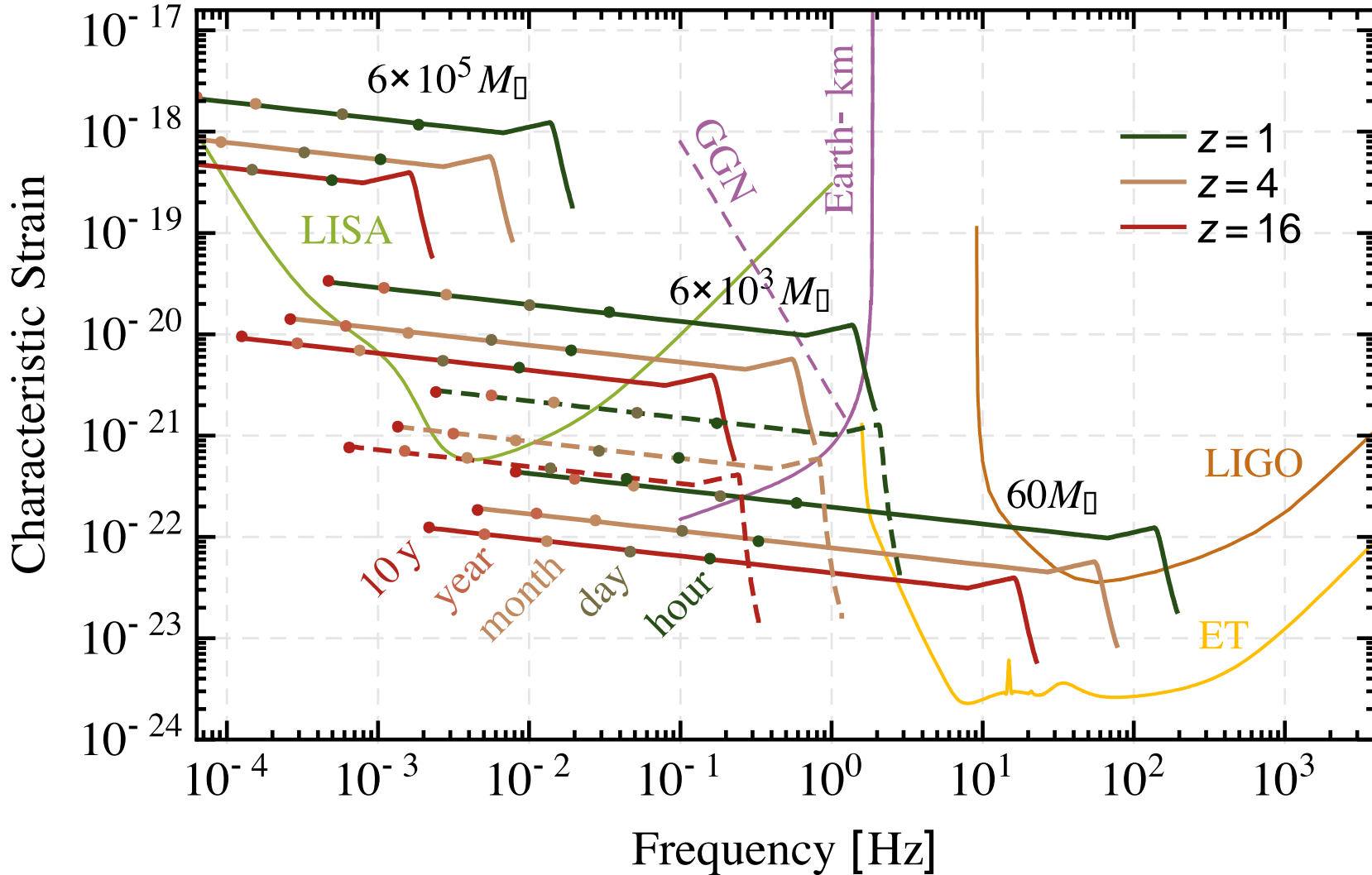
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Mid-Band currently
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AION: Pathway to the GW Mid-(Frequency)

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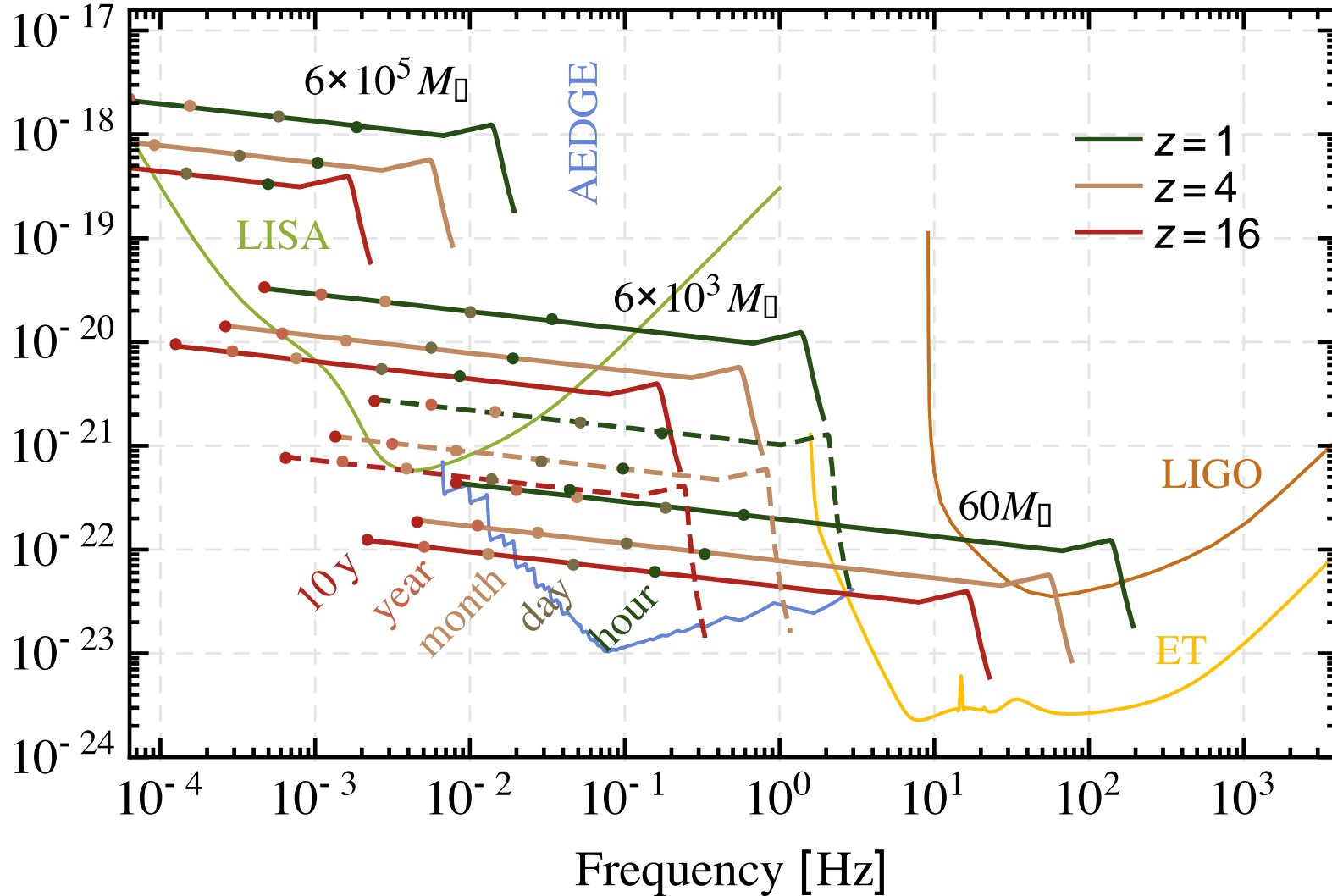


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AION:
Terrestrial detectors
can start filling this
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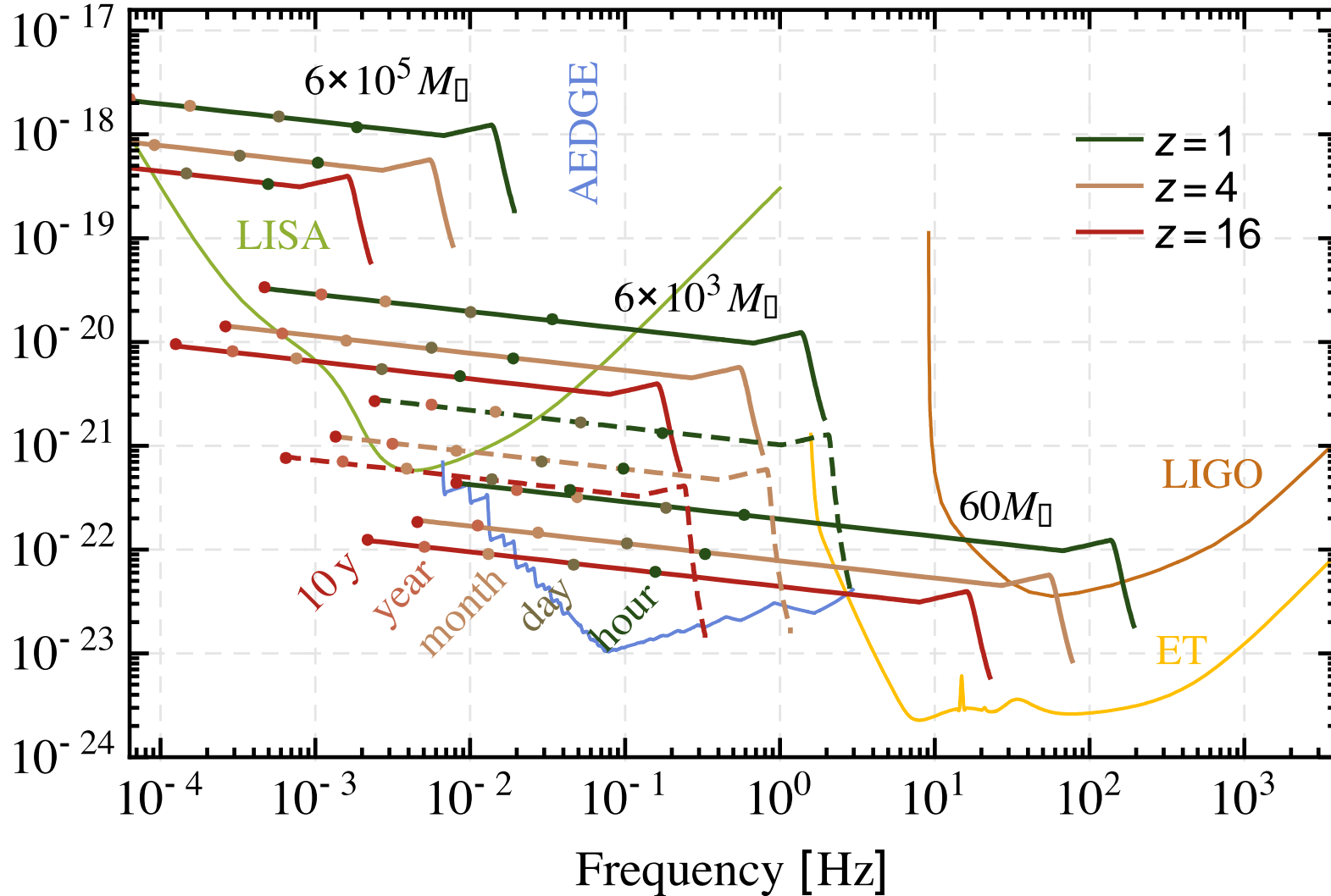


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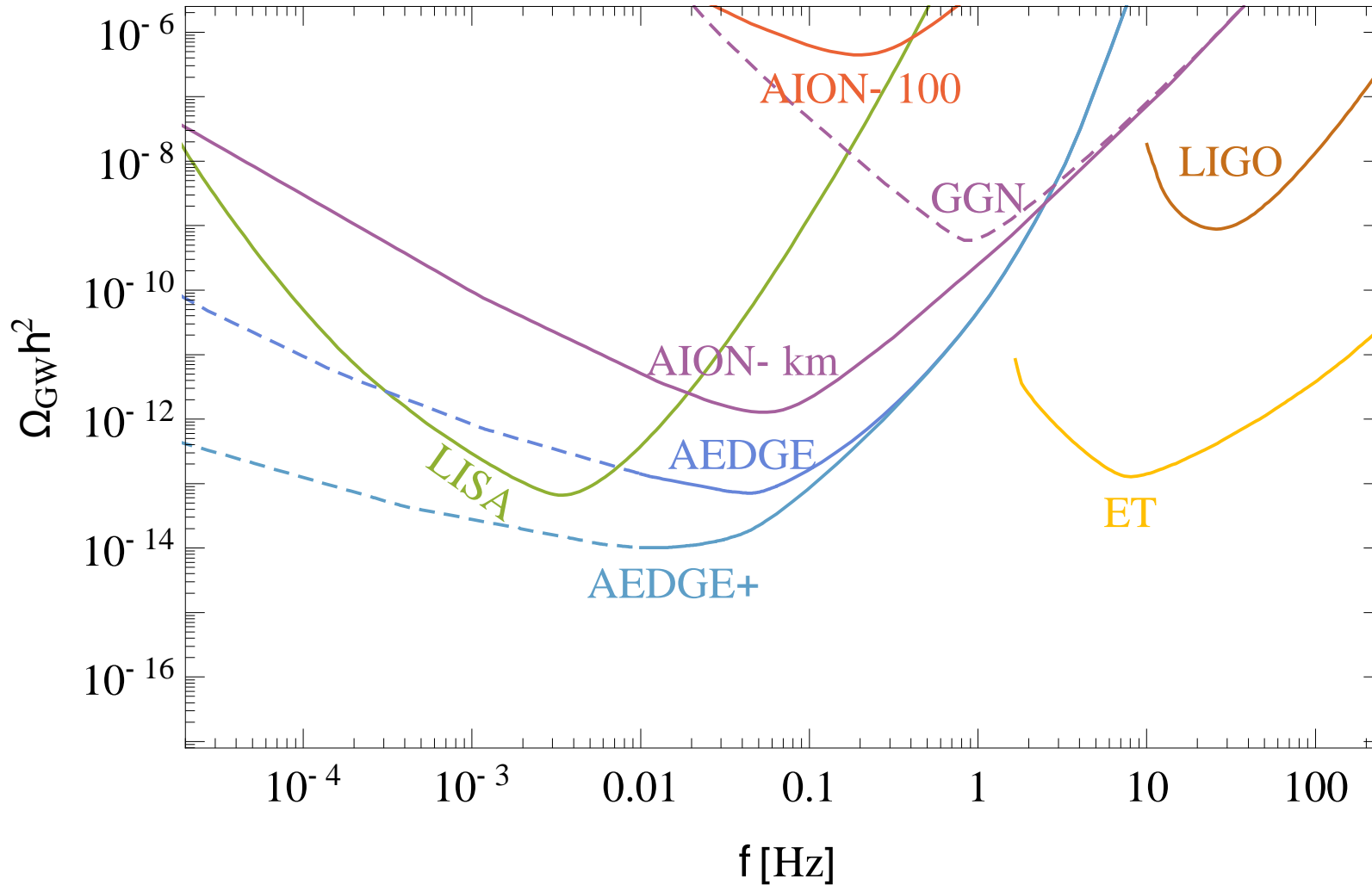
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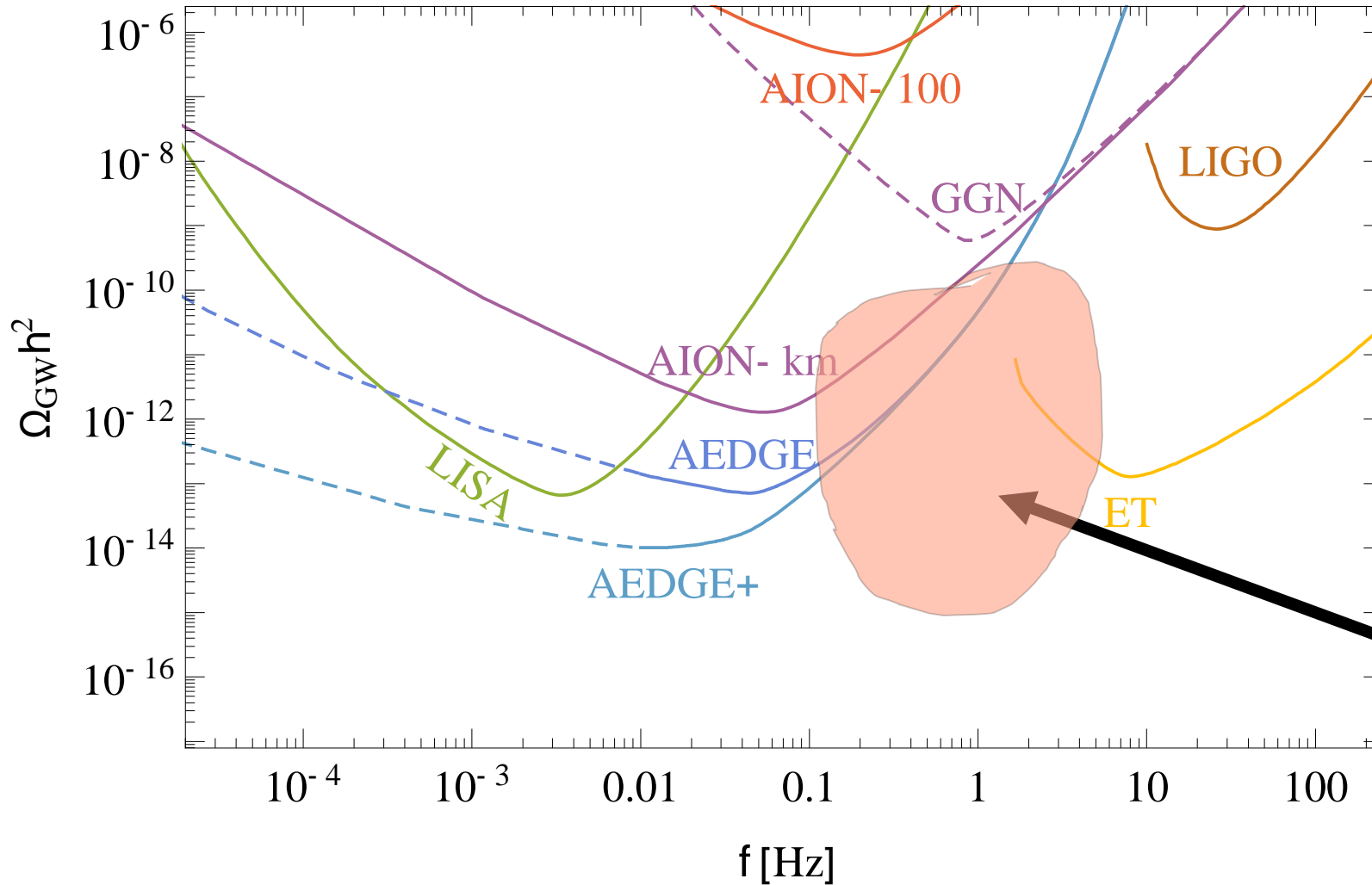
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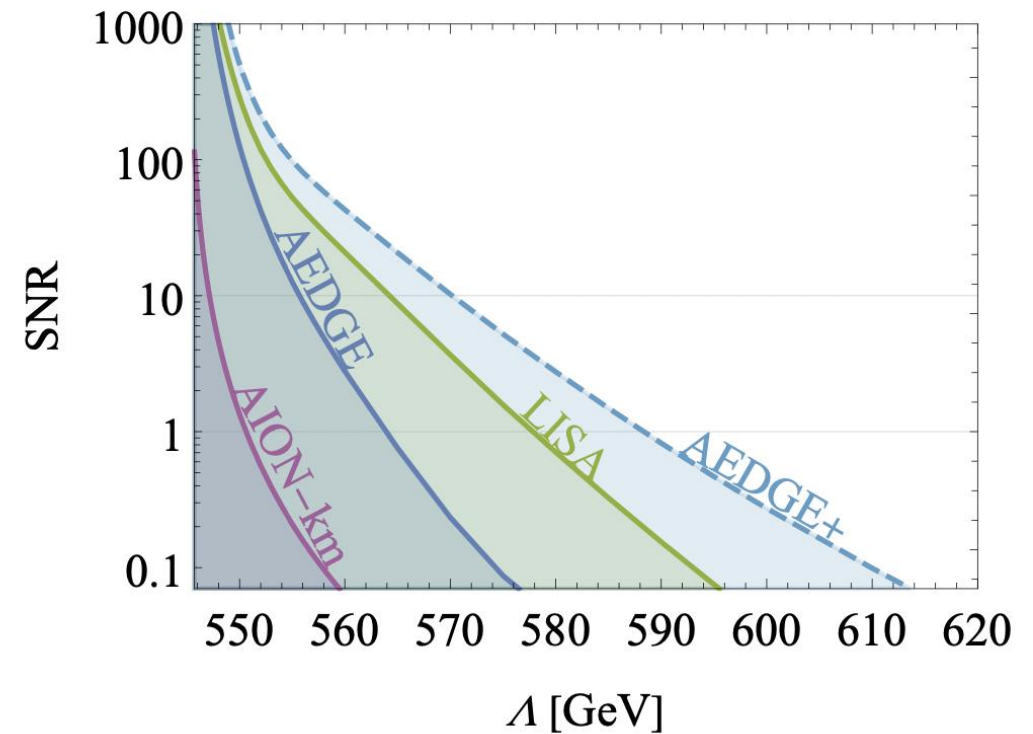
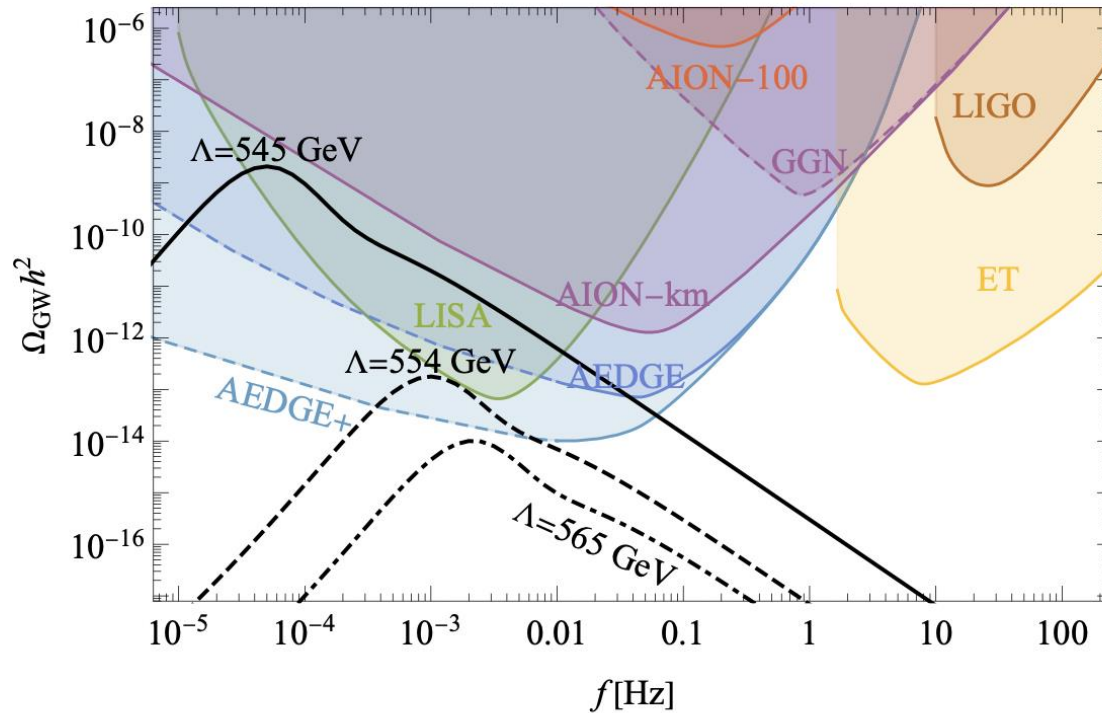


Translate Stain sensitivity into the dimensionless energy density of a GW

Still a “gap” around 1Hz
Need to find a solution to fill it

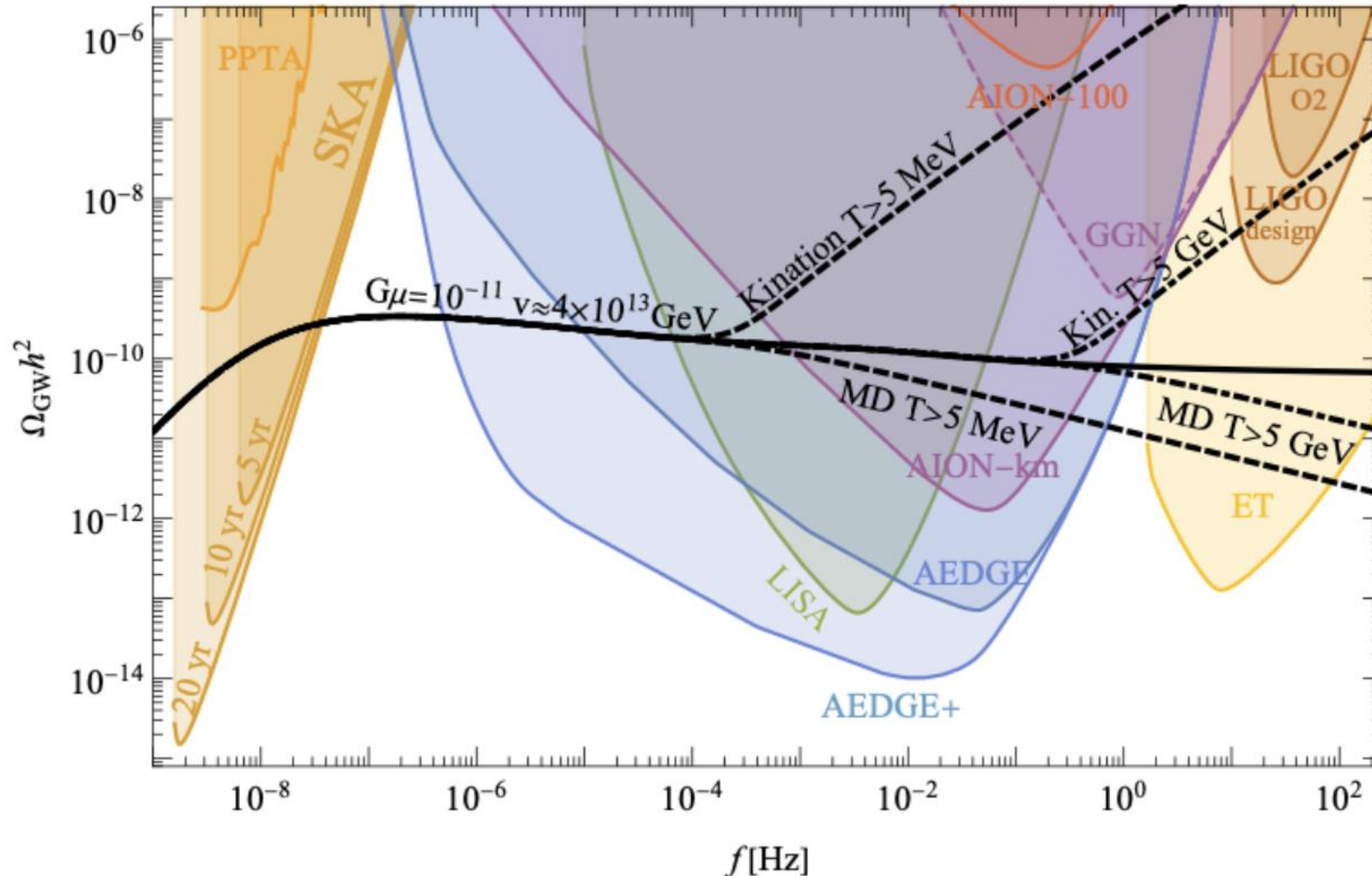
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Fundamental Physics: First Order Phase Transition Models



Sensitivities to the mass scale parameter Λ in an extension of the Standard Model using a simplified first order phase transition model

Fundamental Physics: Sensitivities of cosmic string measurements



Comparison of the Ω sensitivities to PI spectra of AION-100, AION-km, AEDGE and AEDGE+, LIGO, ET, Pulsar Timing Arrays (PTAs) and SKA.

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Fundamental Physics: Sensitivities of cosmic string measurements



Much more about the general GW science case in:

Badurina, OB, John Ellis, Lewicki, McCabe & Vaskonen: arXiv:2108.02468

and

AION Collaboration (Badurina, OB,..., John Ellis et al): arXiv:1911.11755

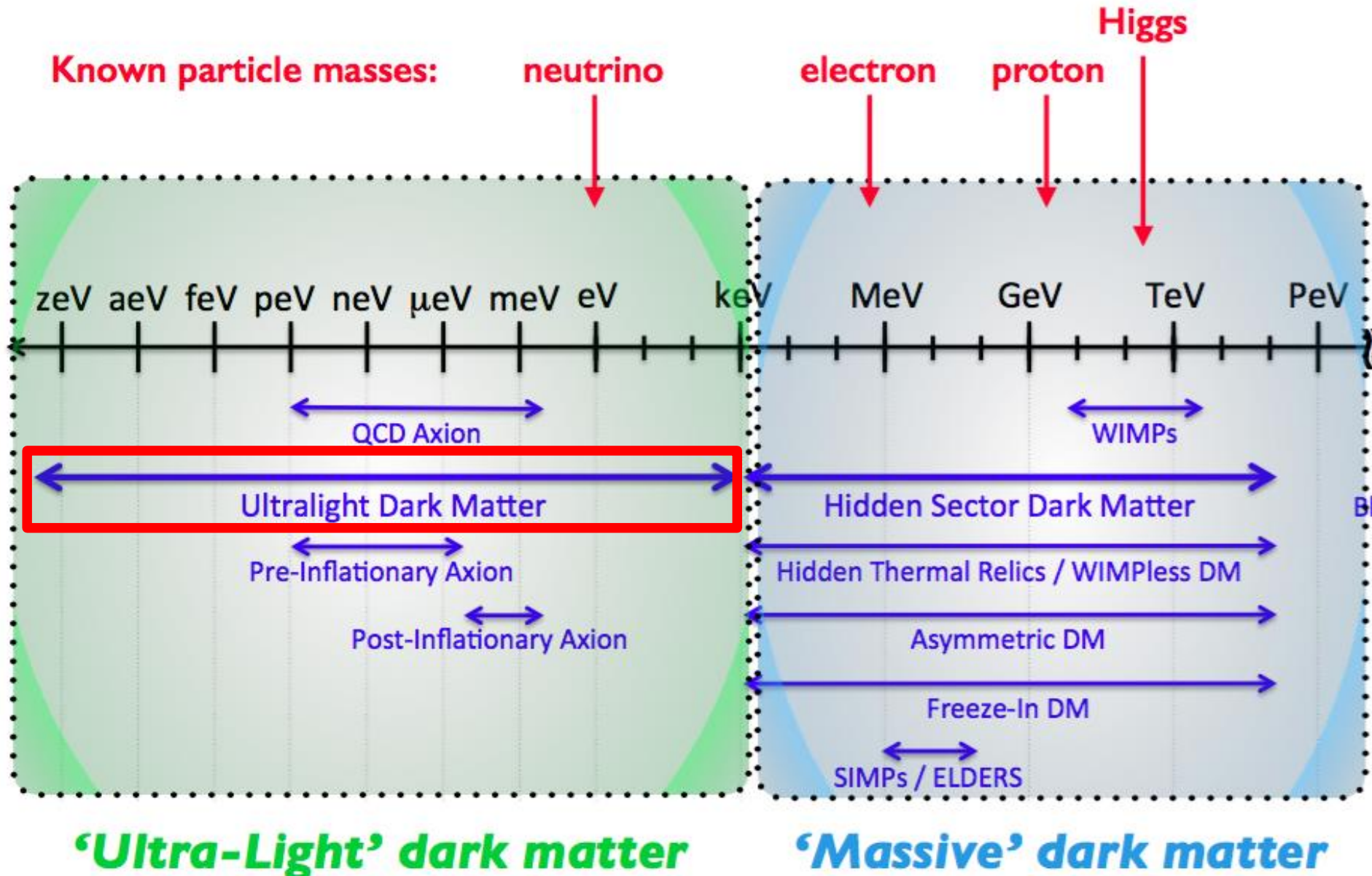
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f [Hz]

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ULTRA-LIGHT DARK MATTER

Search for Ultra-Light Dark Matter



Ultralight scalar dark matter

Ultralight dilaton DM acts as a background field (e.g., mass $\sim 10^{-15}$ eV)

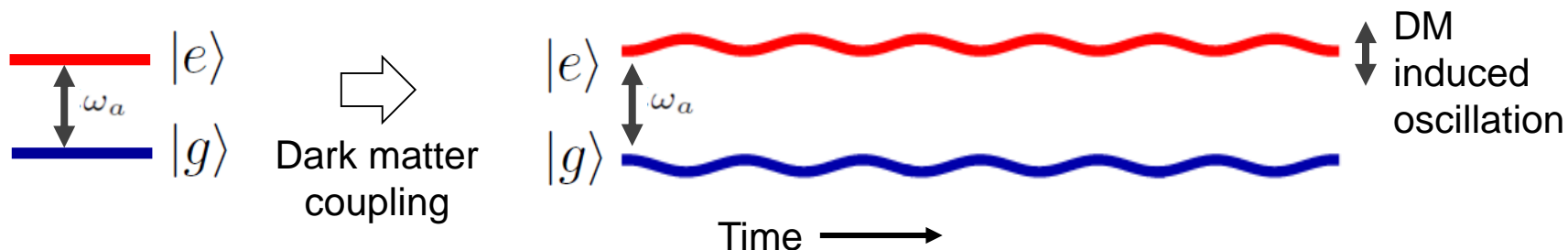
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e.g.,
QCD

DM scalar field

$$\phi(t, \mathbf{x}) = \phi_0 \cos [m_\phi (t - \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{x}) + \beta] + \mathcal{O}(|\mathbf{v}|^2) \quad \phi_0 \propto \sqrt{\rho_{\text{DM}}} \quad \text{DM mass density}$$

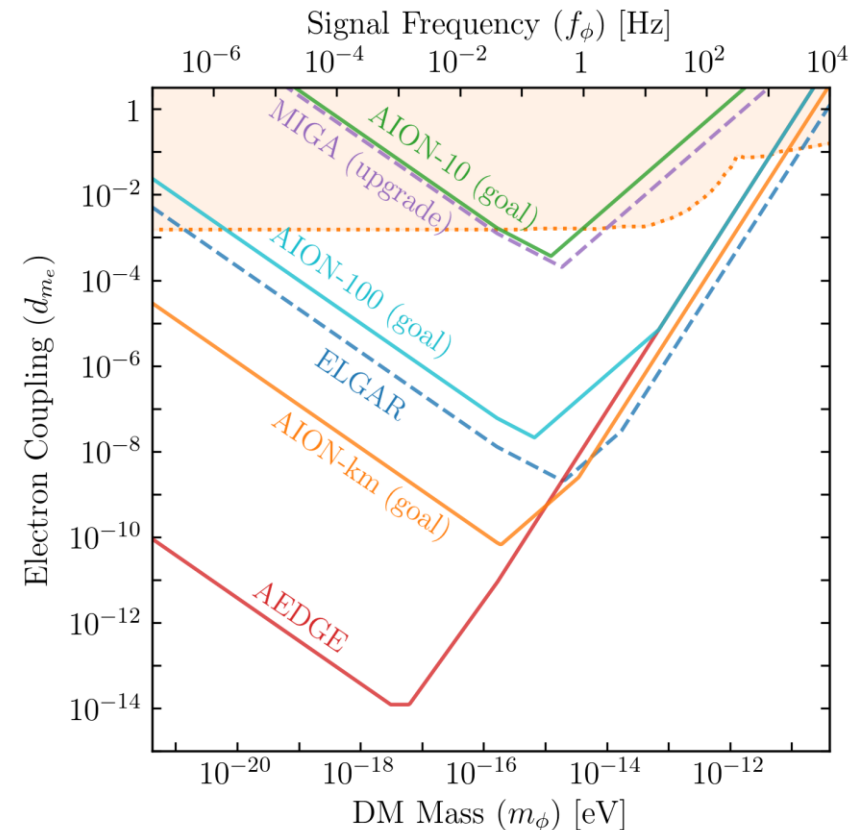
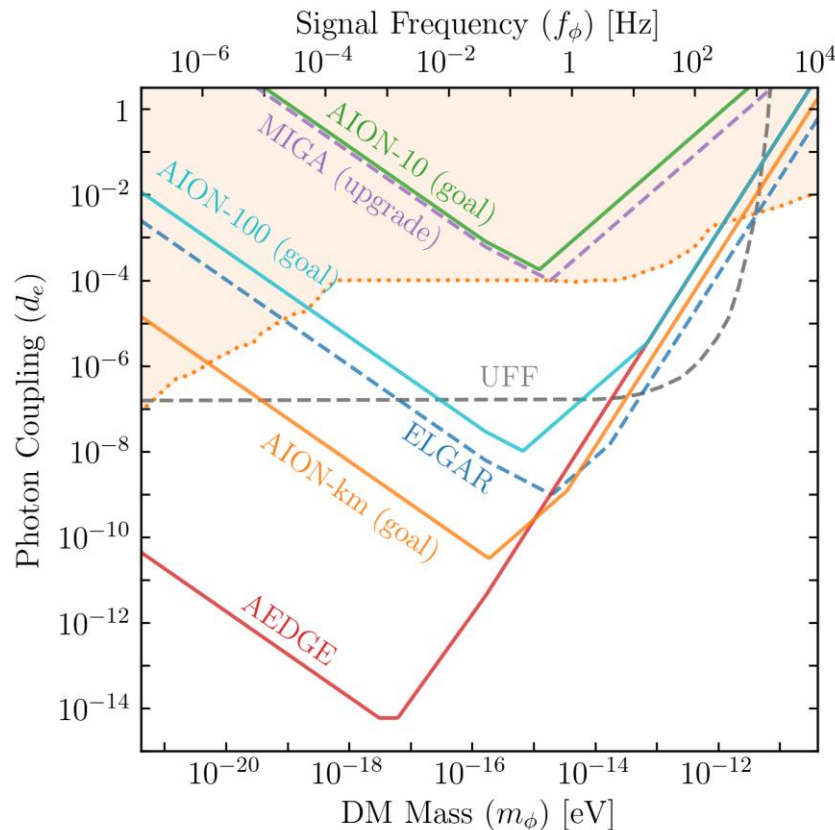
DM coupling causes time-varying atomic energy levels:



Search for Ultra-Light Dark Matter

Linear couplings to gauge fields and matter fermions

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}\phi} = \kappa\phi \left[+\frac{d_e}{4e^2} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{d_g\beta_3}{2g_3} F_{\mu\nu}^A F^{A\mu\nu} - \sum_{i=e,u,d} (d_{m_i} + \gamma_{m_i} d_g) m_i \bar{\psi}_i \psi_i \right]$$



Orders of magnitude improvement over current sensitivities

Other Fundamental Physics

Ultra-high-precision atom interferometry may also be sensitive to other aspects of fundamental physics beyond dark matter and GWs, though studies of such possibilities are still at exploratory stages.

Examples may include:

- *The possibility of detecting the astrophysical neutrinos*
- *Probes of long-range fifth forces.*
- *Constraining possible variations in fundamental constants.*
- *Probing dark energy.*
- *Probes of basic physical principles such as foundations of quantum mechanics and Lorentz invariance.*

Summary

The first stage of the *UK Atom Interferometer Observatory and Network (AION)* project was recently funded in the UK with about £9.6M

- AION opens a new window on gravitational physics, astrophysics & cosmology using ultra-cold atom interferometers, leveraging UK investment in quantum technologies, providing new opportunities for UK science communities.
- To push the state-of-the-art single photon atom interferometry, the AION project builds dedicated ultra-cold strontium laboratories in **Birmingham, Cambridge, Imperial College, Oxford, and RAL**

AION: An Atom Interferometer Observatory and Network, JCAP05(2020) 011,[1911.11755].

The Atomic Experiment for Dark Matter and Gravity Exploration (AEDGE) mission proposal was submitted in the *Voyage2050 White Paper* call.

- AEDGE propose to use ultra-cold atom technology to explore gravitational physics, astrophysics & cosmology and to search for ultra-light dark matter. The underlying technology concept is identical to the one AION pursues.
- AEDGE is supported by an international consortium of almost 200 scientists from 70 institutions, based in 23 different countries.
- The AEDGE consortium includes leading members of the **AION (UK)**, **MAGIS (US)**, **MIGA (France)**, and **ZIGA (China)** large-scale terrestrial ultra-cold atom interferometry projects. Each project is funded by national agencies with about 10M dollar (or more).

AEDGE: Atomic Experiment for Dark Matter And Gravity Exploration in Space, arXiv:1908.00802, *EPJ Quantum Technol.* 7, 6 (2020).

The Community Workshop on Cold Atoms in Space and its Road-Map

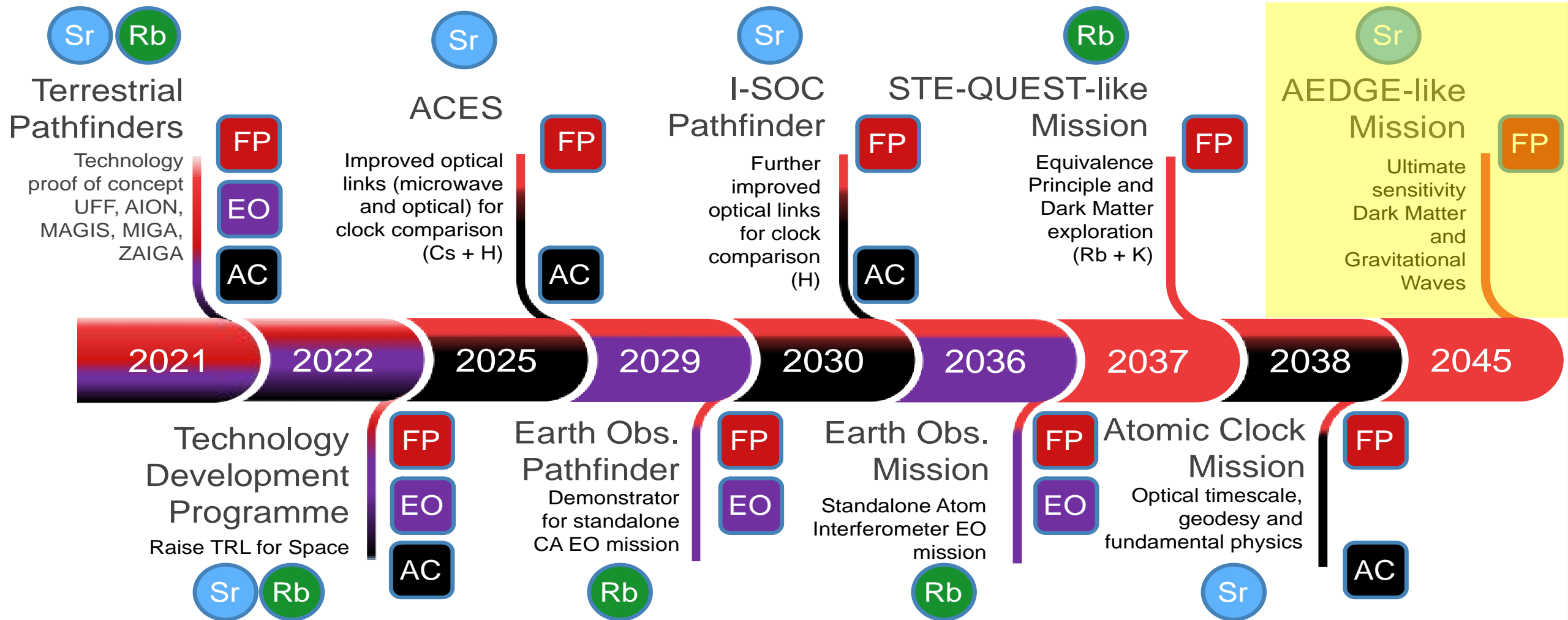
- The purpose of this community workshop was to discuss options for a quantum technology development programme coordinated at the Europe-wide level and to develop a community roadmap and milestones to demonstrate the readiness of cold atom technologies in space, as proposed in the Voyage 2050 recommendations, and in synergy with EU programmes.
- This event brought together the cold atom, astrophysics, cosmology, fundamental physics, and earth observation communities to shape this development programme.

Writeup: Cold Atoms in Space: Community Workshop Summary and Proposed Road-Map, arXiv:2201.07789, submitted to *EPJ Quantum Technology*

BACKUP

AEDGE AND STE-QUEST

Community Proposal for an ESA Road-Map for Cold Atoms in Space



Legends:

Main Cold Atom Species

Sr Strontium **Rb** Rubidium

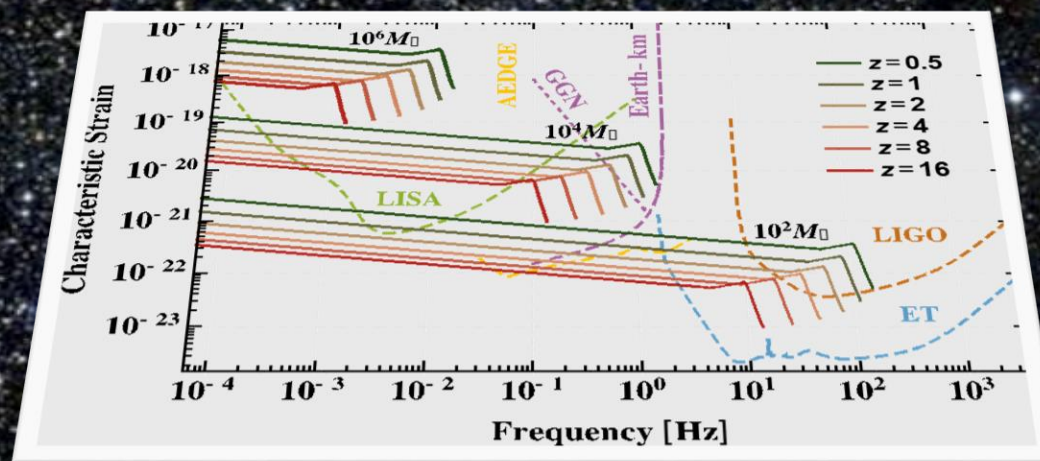
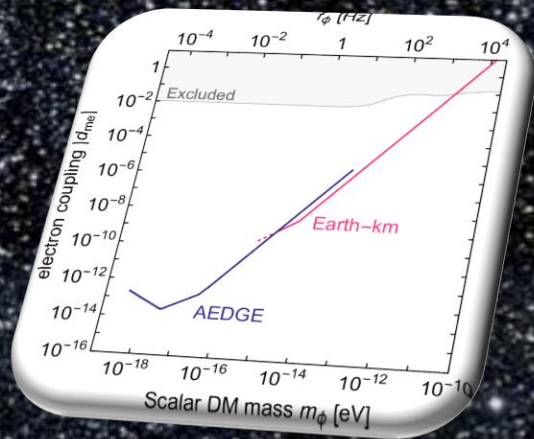
Areas of Relevance

EO Earth Observation **AC** Atomic Clocks **FP** Fundamental Physics

Main Milestone Area (colour coded)

2045 Example: Fundamental Physics

AEDGE: Atomic Experiment for Dark Matter and Gravity Exploration



Informal Workshop
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AEDGE: Atomic Experiment for Dark Matter and Gravity Exploration

**With more than 130 participants
the workshop was very well attended!**

**The full agenda can be accessed via:
<https://indico.cern.ch/event/830432/timetable/>**

**The main scope was to review the
landscape of Cold Atom
experiments on ground AND in
space to eventually establish a
roadmap for technology readiness
for space.**

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AEDGE Mission Concept

AEDGE:

Atomic Experiment for Dark Matter and Gravity Exploration in Space

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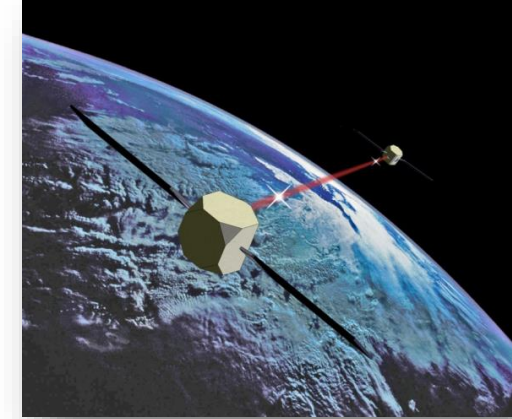
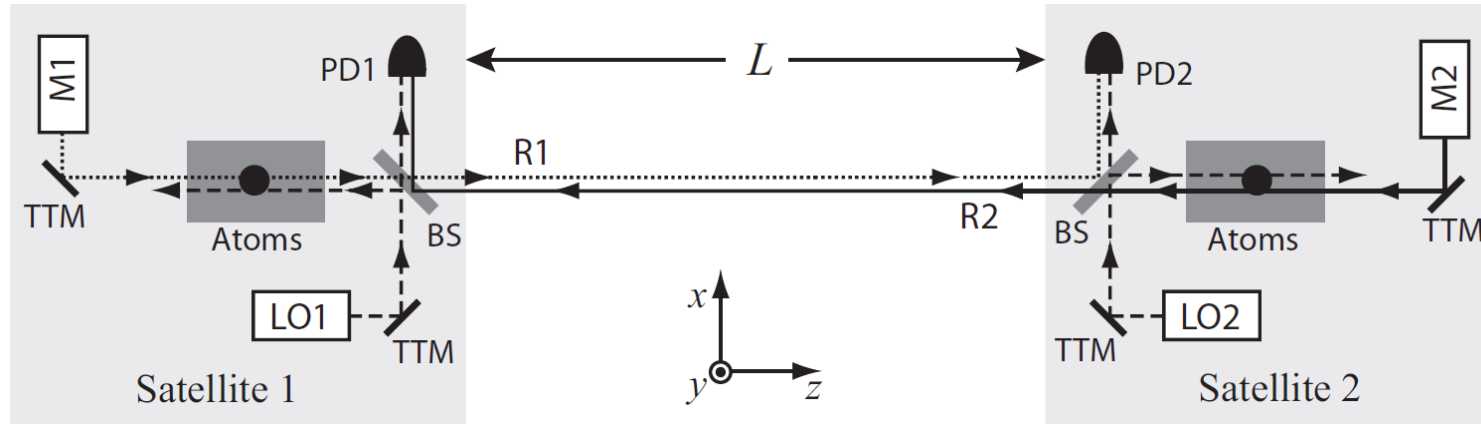
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The paper is now published in **EPJ Quantum Technology**

Potential Mission Design



Using two cold-atom interferometers that perform a relative measurement of differential phase shift, a potential mission profile would be using a pair of satellites separated by a very long baseline L .

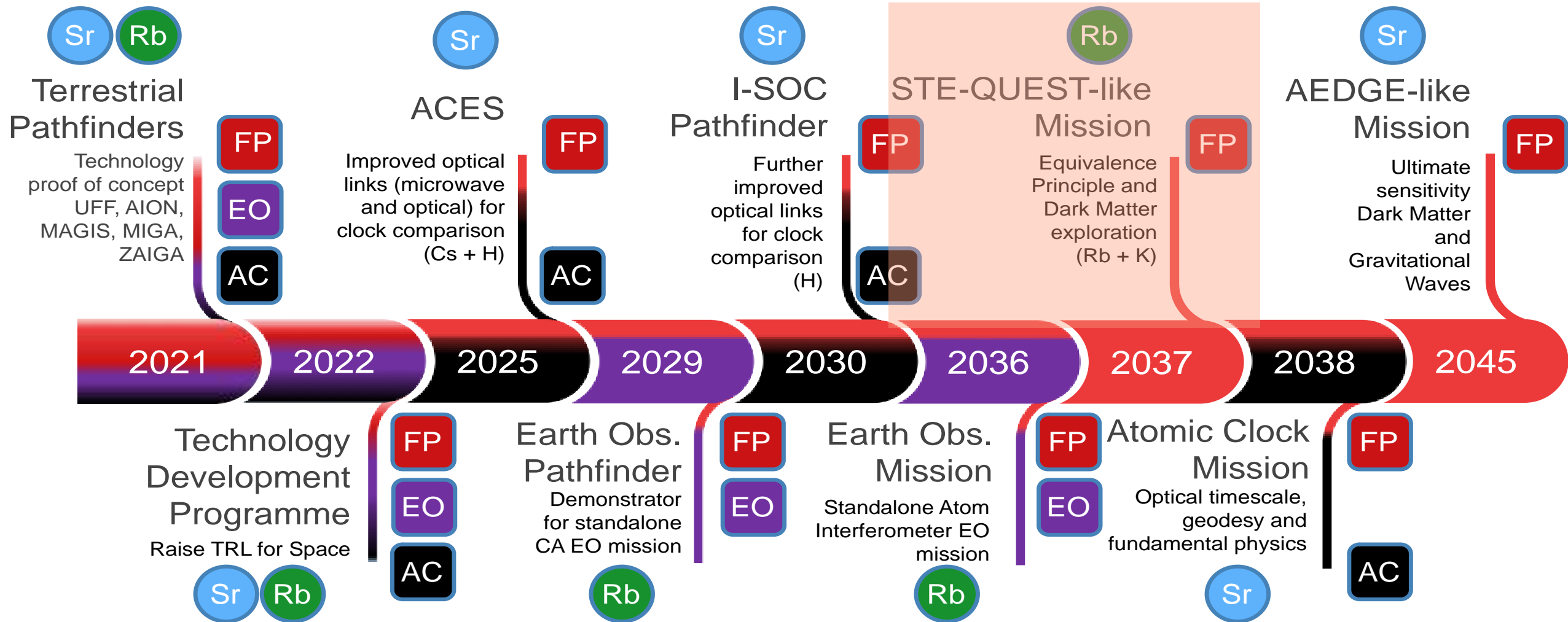
Assumed basic parameters:

- Pair of satellites in medium earth orbit (MEO)
- Satellite separation $L = 4.4 \times 10^7$ m

Note: as Laser noise is common-mode suppressed only two satellites are required

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Community Proposal for an ESA Road-Map for Cold Atoms in Space



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STE-QUEST (M-Class Mission Proposal)

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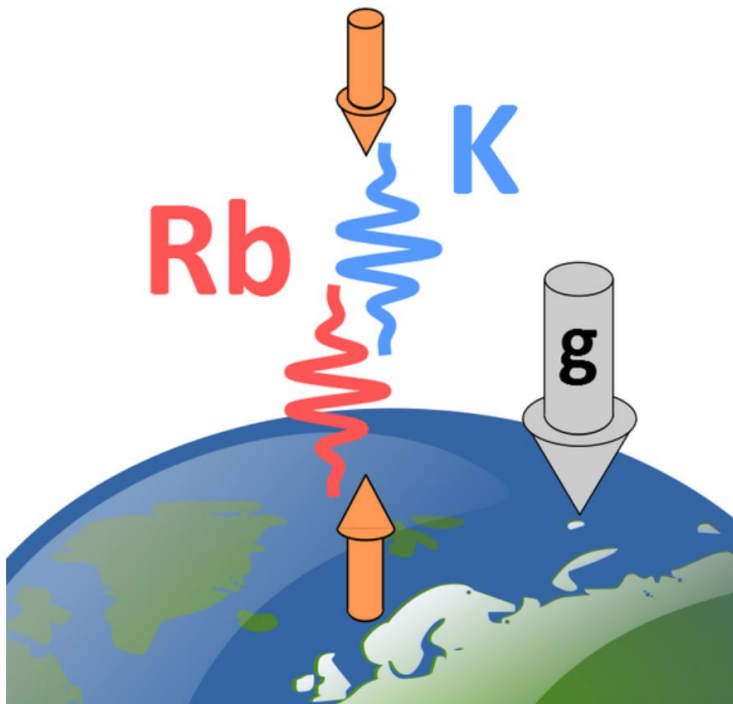
Space Time Explorer and QUantum Equivalence principle Space Test

A M-class mission proposal in response to the 2022 call in ESA's science program

Core Team:

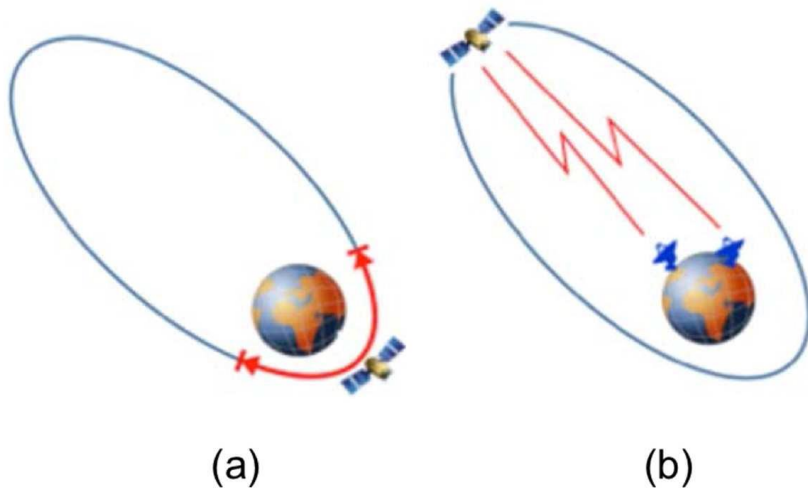
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Strong
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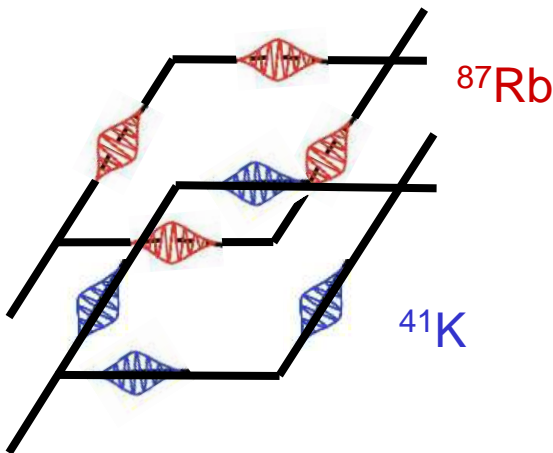


STE-QUEST: An M-class Cold Atom mission to probe gravity, dark matter and quantum mechanics

Science Goals: Equivalent Principal at 1E-17, Ultra-Light Dark Matter, Test of Quantum Mechanics



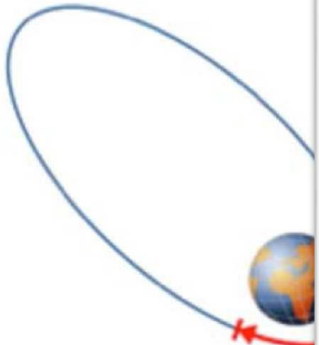
- Based on STE-QUEST proposals (M3, M4).
- Double atom interferometer with Rb and K “test masses” in non-classical states (quantum superpositions).
- Optimized for UFF test. Assume 700 km circular orbit.
- Apply recent results on controlling gravity gradient shifts by offsetting laser frequencies, thus relaxing atom positioning requirements by factor >100.
- **Reaches 1E-17 target after 18 months of operation.**



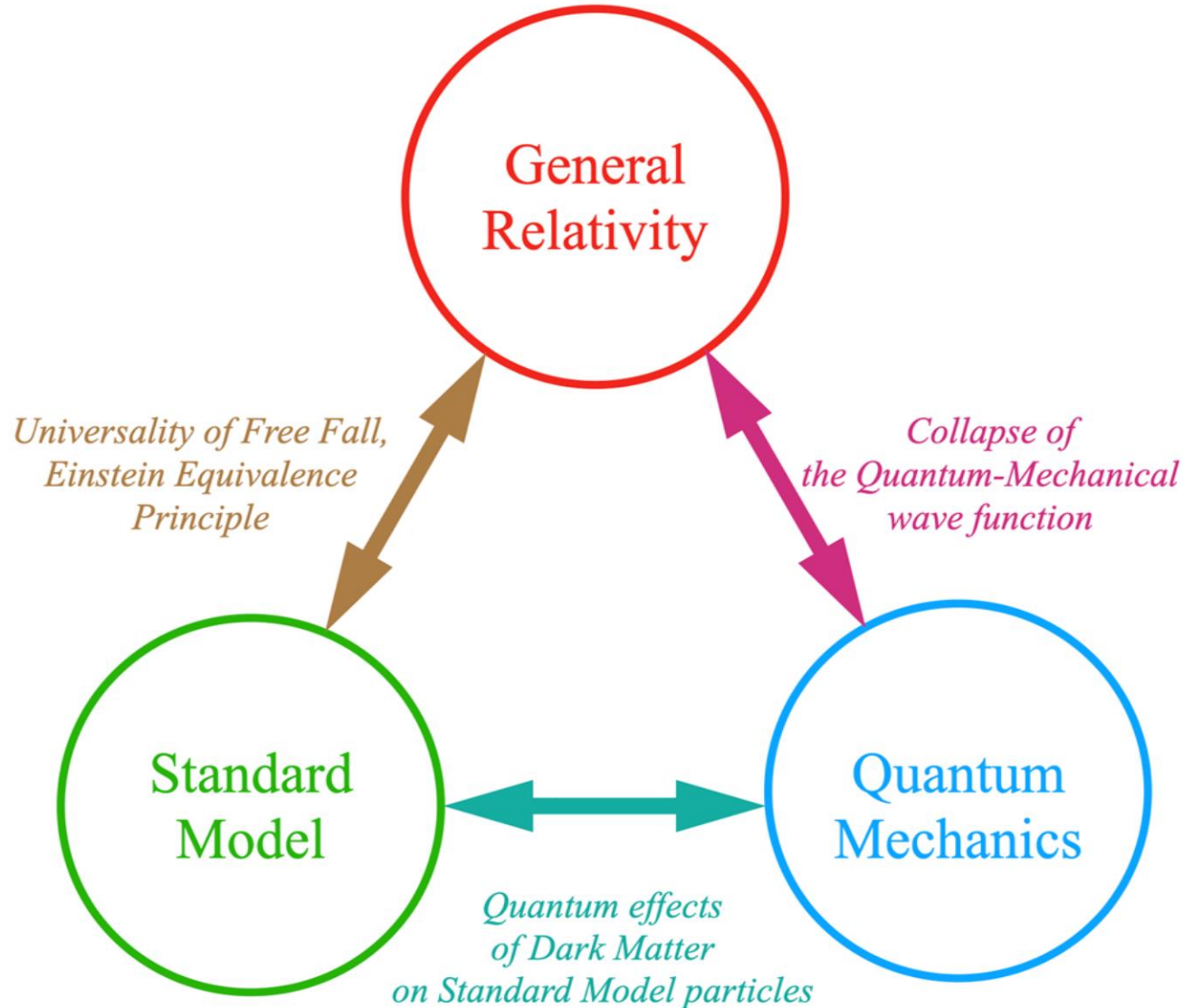
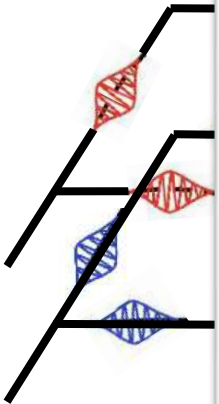
Class	Elements	η	Year [ref]	Comments
Classical	Be - Ti	2×10^{-13}	2008	Torsion balance
	Pt - Ti	1×10^{-14}	2017	MICROSCOPE first results
	Pt - Ti	(10^{-15})	2022+	MICROSCOPE full data
Hybrid	^{133}Cs - CC	7×10^{-9}	2001	Atom Interferometry
	^{87}Rb - CC	7×10^{-9}	2010	and macroscopic corner cube (CC)
Quantum	^{39}K - ^{87}Rb	3×10^{-7}	2020	different elements
	^{87}Sr - ^{88}Sr	2×10^{-7}	2014	same element, fermion vs. boson
	^{85}Rb - ^{87}Rb	3×10^{-8}	2015	same element, different isotopes
	^{85}Rb - ^{87}Rb	3.8×10^{-12}	2020	10 m tower
	^{41}K - ^{87}Rb	(10^{-17})	2037	STE-QUEST
Antimatter	$\bar{\text{H}}$ - H	(10^{-2})	2023+	under construction at CERN

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Quantum Mechanics

(M3, M4).

and K “test masses” in non-... (ons).

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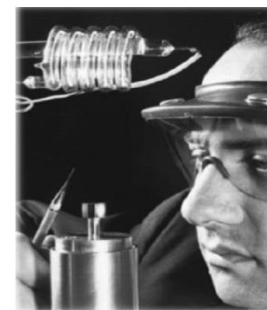
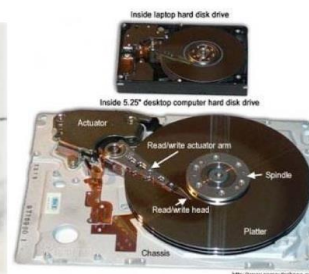
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Methods of operation.

Comments
Torsion balance
MICROSCOPE first results
MICROSCOPE full data
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Example of Open Questions in Fundamental Physics

... and how the Quantum Revolutions could help addressing them



Planck's quantum theory

transistor

hard disk

laser

beginning of 20th century

1947

1954

1960



Albert Einstein (1879-1955)



Werner Heisenberg (1901-1976)

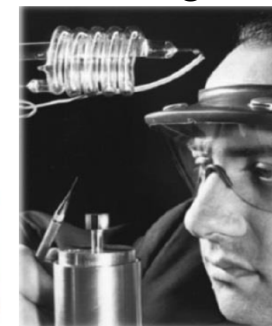
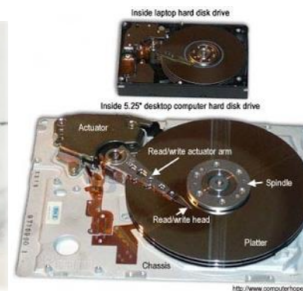


Erwin Schrödinger (1887-1961)

The first quantum revolution
Observation and macroscopic manifestation of quantum principles

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end 20th / beginning 21st



Richard Feynman
(1918–1988)



Serge Haroche

And also Alain Aspect, Charles Bennett,
Gilles Brassard, Artur Ekert, Peter Shor...

Control of single quantum particles
First quantum algorithms

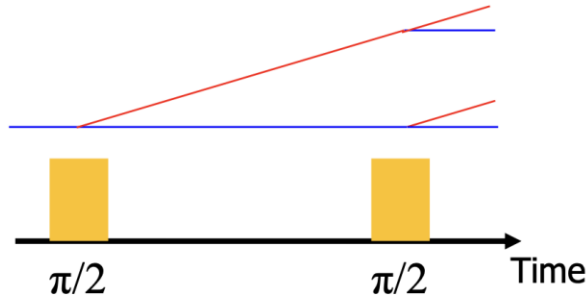
The second quantum revolution

Active manipulation of single quantum particles and
interaction between multiple particles for applications

MORE ON ATOM INTERFEROMETRY CONCEPT

Possible Phase Shifts

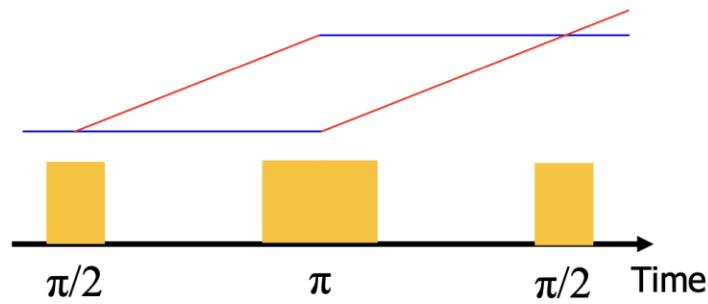
Ramsey sequence (clock)



$$\Delta\phi = \phi_1 - \phi_2 = (\omega - \omega_A)T + kx_1 - kx_2 = (\omega - \omega_A)T + \underline{kvT}$$

- Measures velocity

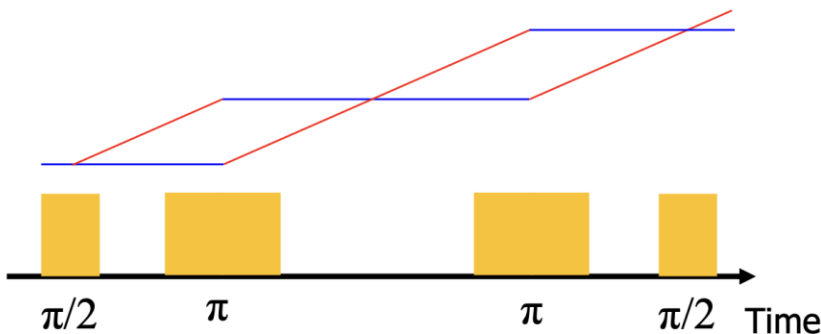
Mach-Zehnder



$$\Delta\phi = (\phi_1 - \phi_2) - (\phi_2 - \phi_3) = kv_1T - kv_2T = \underline{kaT^2}$$

- "Difference" of two Ramsey sequences
- Measures acceleration

"Double diamond"



$$\Delta\phi = ka_1T^2 - ka_2T^2 = k \delta a T^3$$

- Difference of two MZ loops
- Measures acceleration gradient (in space and/or time)

General Relativistic Effects in Atom Interferometry

	GR Phase Shift	Size (rad)	Interpretation	NR Phase Shift
1.	$-k_{\text{eff}}gT^2$	$3. \times 10^8$	Newtonian gravity	$-k_{\text{eff}}gT^2$
2.	$-k_{\text{eff}}(\partial_r g)v_L T^3$	$-2. \times 10^3$	1st gradient	$-k_{\text{eff}}(\partial_r g)v_L T^3$
3.	$-\frac{7}{12}k_{\text{eff}}(\partial_r g)gT^4$	$9. \times 10^2$		$-\frac{7}{12}k_{\text{eff}}(\partial_r g)gT^4$
4.	$-3k_{\text{eff}}g^2T^3$	$-4. \times 10^1$	finite speed of light and	
5.	$-3k_{\text{eff}}gv_L T^2$	$4. \times 10^1$	Doppler shift corrections	
6.	$-\frac{k_{\text{eff}}^2}{2m}(\partial_r g)T^3$	$-7. \times 10^{-1}$	1st gradient recoil	$-\frac{k_{\text{eff}}^2}{2m}(\partial_r g)T^3$
7.	$(\omega_{\text{eff}} - \omega_a)gT^2$	$-4. \times 10^{-1}$	detuning	
8.	$(2 - 2\beta - \gamma)k_{\text{eff}}g\phi T^2$	$-2. \times 10^{-1}$	GR (non-linearity)	
9.	$-\frac{3k_{\text{eff}}^2}{2m}gT^2$	$2. \times 10^{-2}$		
10.	$-\frac{7}{12}k_{\text{eff}}v_L^2(\partial_r^2 g)T^4$	$8. \times 10^{-3}$	2nd gradient	$-\frac{7}{12}k_{\text{eff}}v_L^2(\partial_r^2 g)T^4$
11.	$-\frac{35}{4}k_{\text{eff}}(\partial_r g)gv_L T^4$	$6. \times 10^{-4}$		
12.	$-4k_{\text{eff}}(\partial_r g)v_L^2 T^3$	$-3. \times 10^{-4}$		
13.	$2\omega_a g^2 T^3$	$2. \times 10^{-4}$		
14.	$2\omega_a gv_L T^2$	$-2. \times 10^{-4}$		
15.	$-\frac{7k_{\text{eff}}^2}{12m}v_L(\partial_r^2 g)T^4$	$7. \times 10^{-6}$	2nd gradient recoil	$-\frac{7k_{\text{eff}}^2}{12m}v_L(\partial_r^2 g)T^4$
16.	$-12k_{\text{eff}}g^2v_L T^3$	$-7. \times 10^{-6}$		
17.	$-7k_{\text{eff}}g^3 T^4$	$4. \times 10^{-6}$		
18.	$-5k_{\text{eff}}gv_L^2 T^2$	$3. \times 10^{-6}$	GR (velocity-dependent force)	
19.	$(2 - 2\beta - \gamma)k_{\text{eff}}\partial_r(g\phi)v_L T^3$	$2. \times 10^{-6}$	GR 1st gradient	
20.	$\frac{7}{12}(4 - 4\beta - 3\gamma)k_{\text{eff}}\phi(\partial_r g)gT^4$	$-2. \times 10^{-6}$	GR	
21.	$(\omega_{\text{eff}} - \omega_a)(\partial_r g)v_L T^3$	$2. \times 10^{-6}$		
22.	$\frac{7}{12}(\omega_{\text{eff}} - \omega_a)(\partial_r g)gT^4$	$-1. \times 10^{-6}$		
23.	$-\frac{7}{12}(2 - 2\beta - \gamma)k_{\text{eff}}g^3 T^4$	$-3. \times 10^{-7}$	GR	
24.	$-\frac{7k_{\text{eff}}^2}{2m}(\partial_r g)v_L T^3$	$-2. \times 10^{-7}$		
25.	$-\frac{27k_{\text{eff}}^2}{8m}(\partial_r g)gT^4$	$2. \times 10^{-7}$		
26.	$\frac{k_{\text{eff}}\omega_a}{m}gT^2$	$-1. \times 10^{-7}$		
27.	$6(2 - 2\beta - \gamma)k_{\text{eff}}\phi g^2 T^3$	$5. \times 10^{-8}$	GR	
28.	$3(\omega_{\text{eff}} - \omega_a)g^2 T^3$	$4. \times 10^{-8}$		
29.	$3(\omega_{\text{eff}} - \omega_a)gv_L T^2$	$-4. \times 10^{-8}$		
30.	$6(1 - \beta)k_{\text{eff}}\phi gv_L T^2$	$3. \times 10^{-8}$	GR	

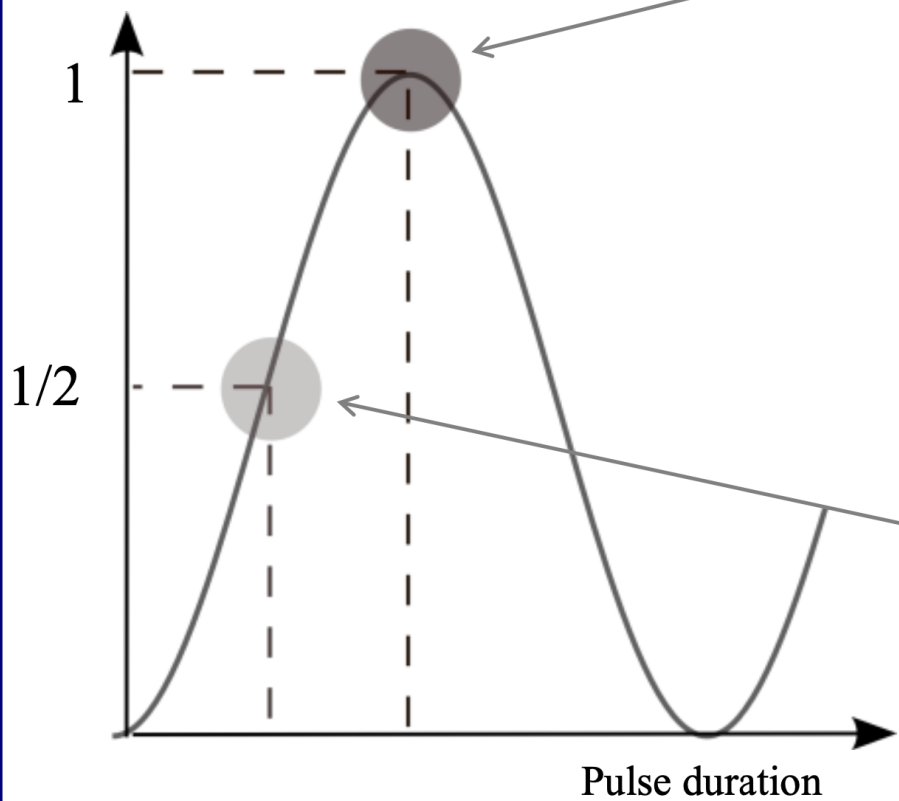
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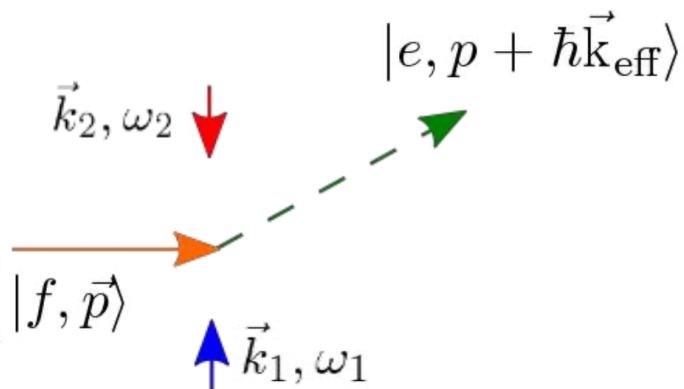
Pi and Pi/2 Pulses – Rabi Oscillation

Rabi oscillation between
 $|f\rangle$ and $|e\rangle$

Transition
Probability $f \rightarrow e$

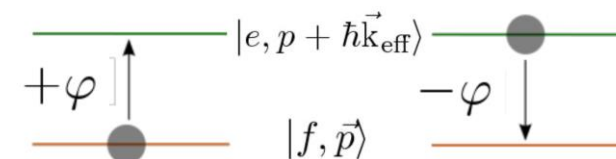


“ π ” pulse = mirror

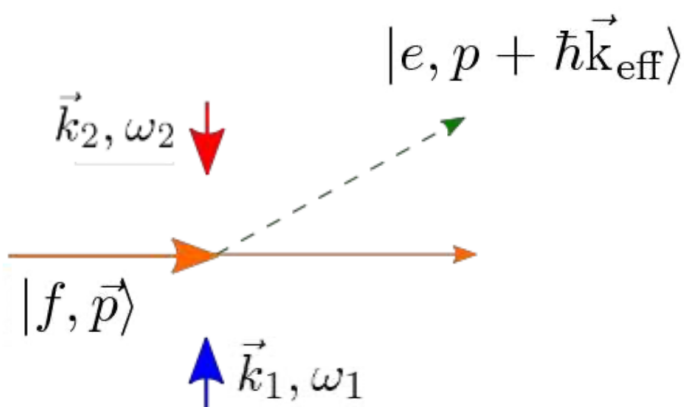


Imprint laser phase on atomic wave-function:

$$\varphi = \phi_1 - \phi_2 = \vec{k}_{\text{eff}} \cdot \vec{r}(t)$$

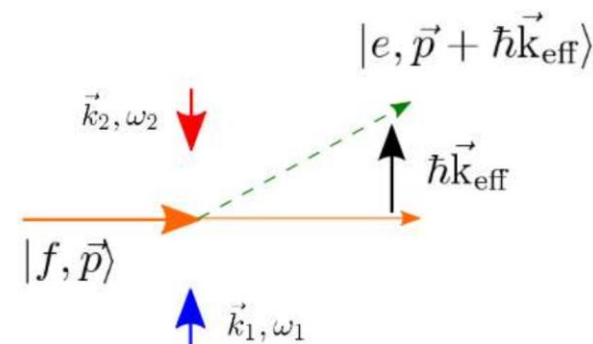


“ $\pi/2$ ” pulse = beam splitter



Momentum transfer (~ 1 cm/s)

$$k_{\text{eff}} = k_1 + k_2$$



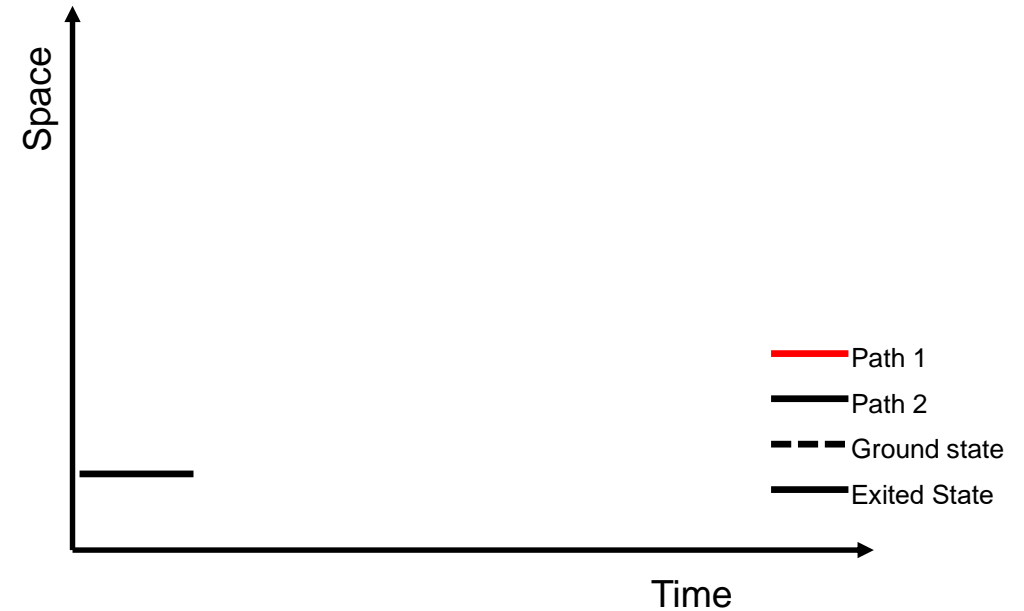
Mach-Zehnder Atom Interferometer – Phase shift

Assuming no other interactions like gravity, etc.

Atoms at rest:

At time before first Pulse:

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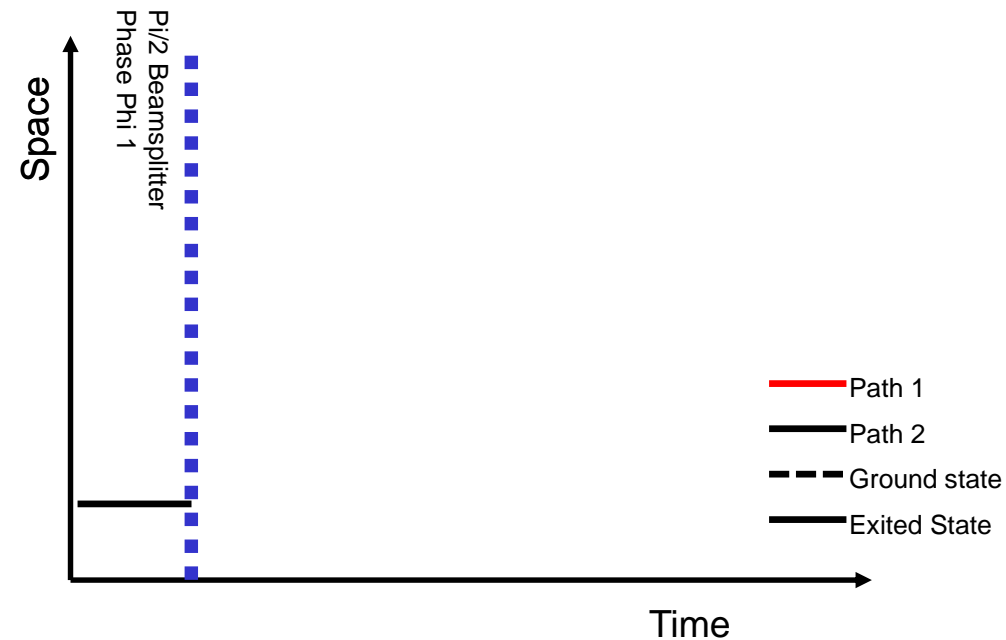
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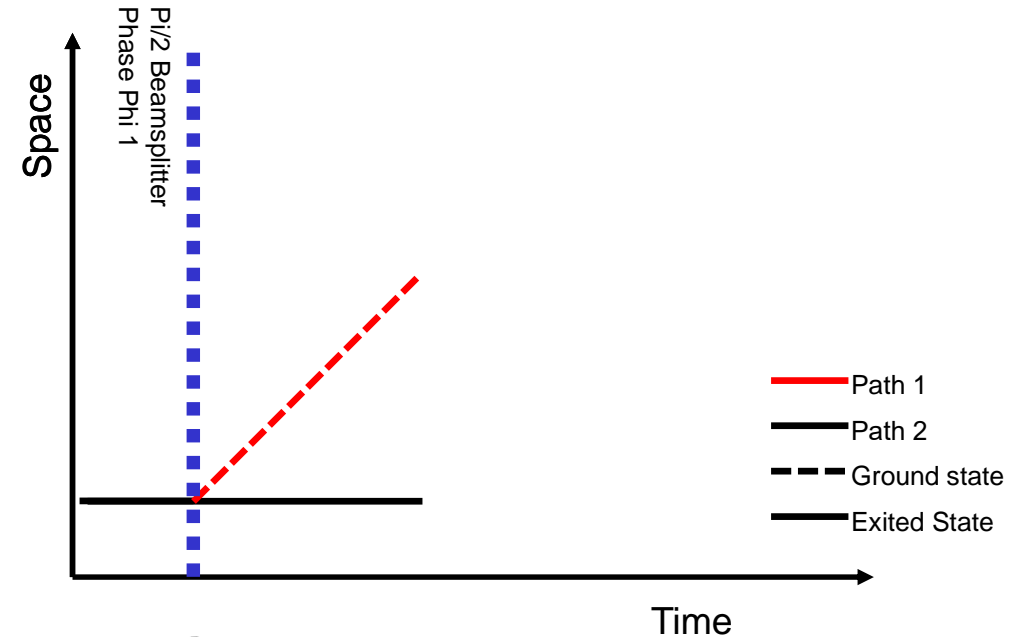
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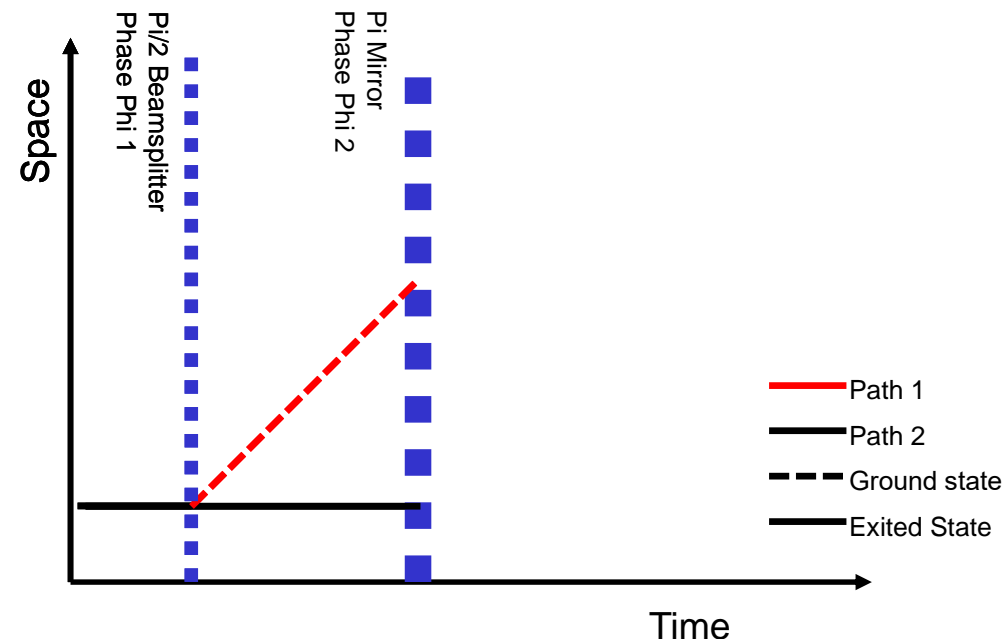
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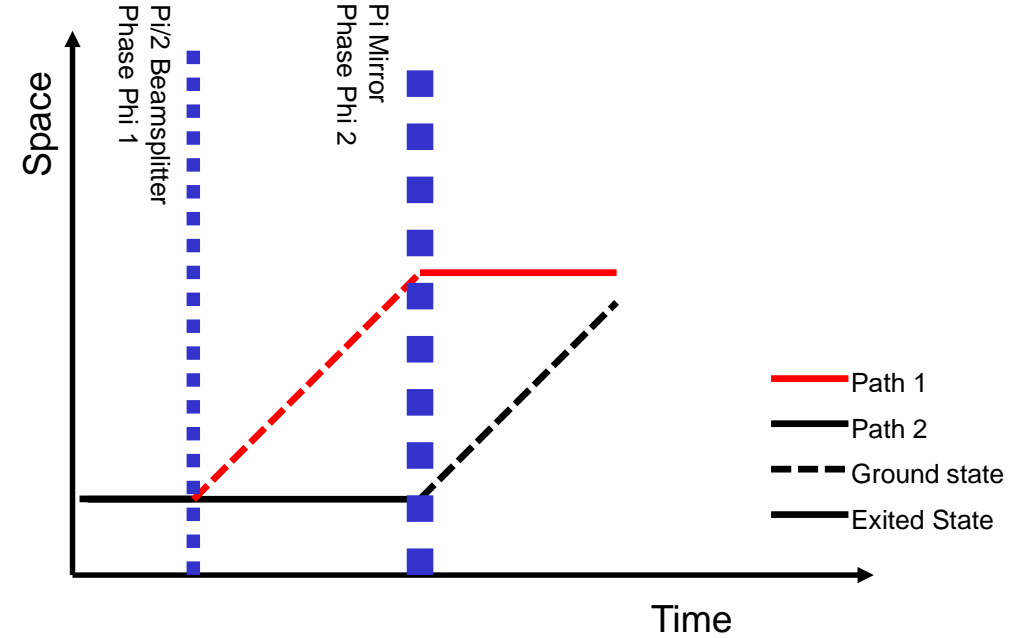


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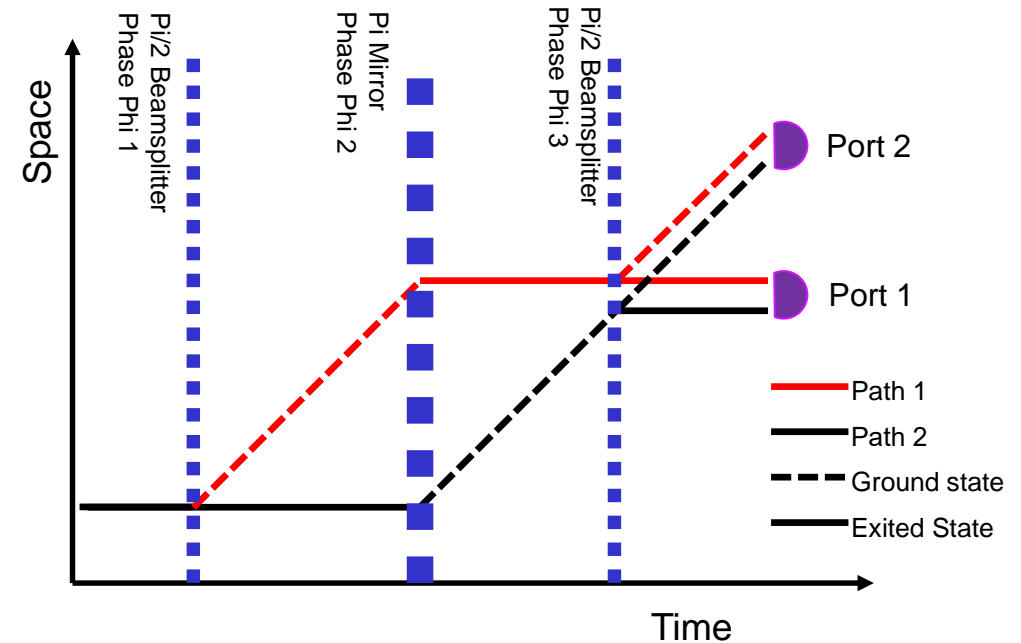


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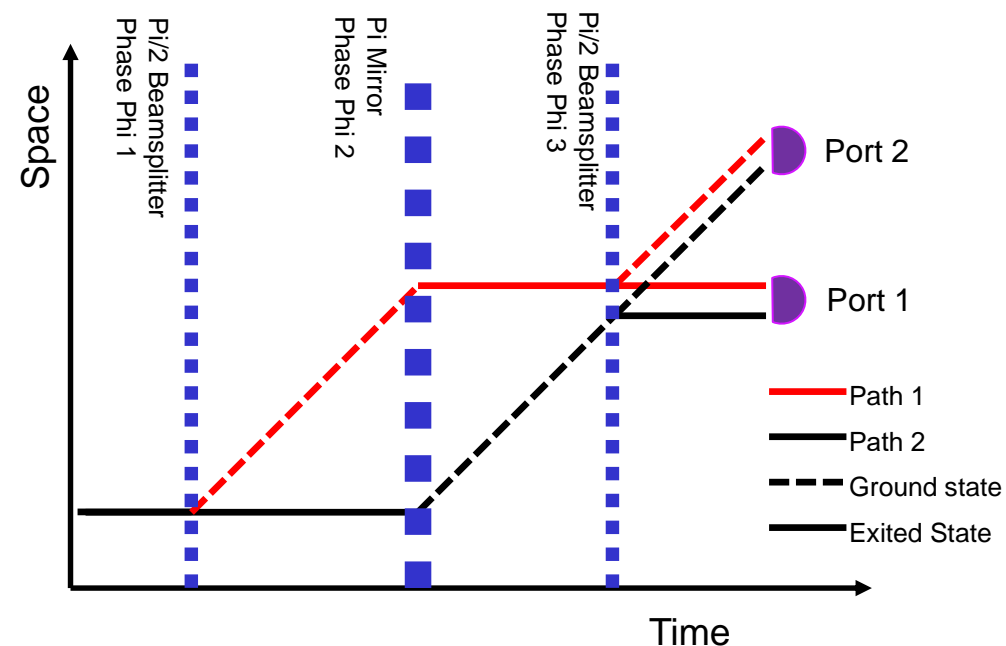
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At $|1\rangle$ port:

$$\Phi_1 = \phi_1 - ET/\hbar - \phi_2 + \phi_3, \quad \Phi_2 = \phi_2 - ET/\hbar$$

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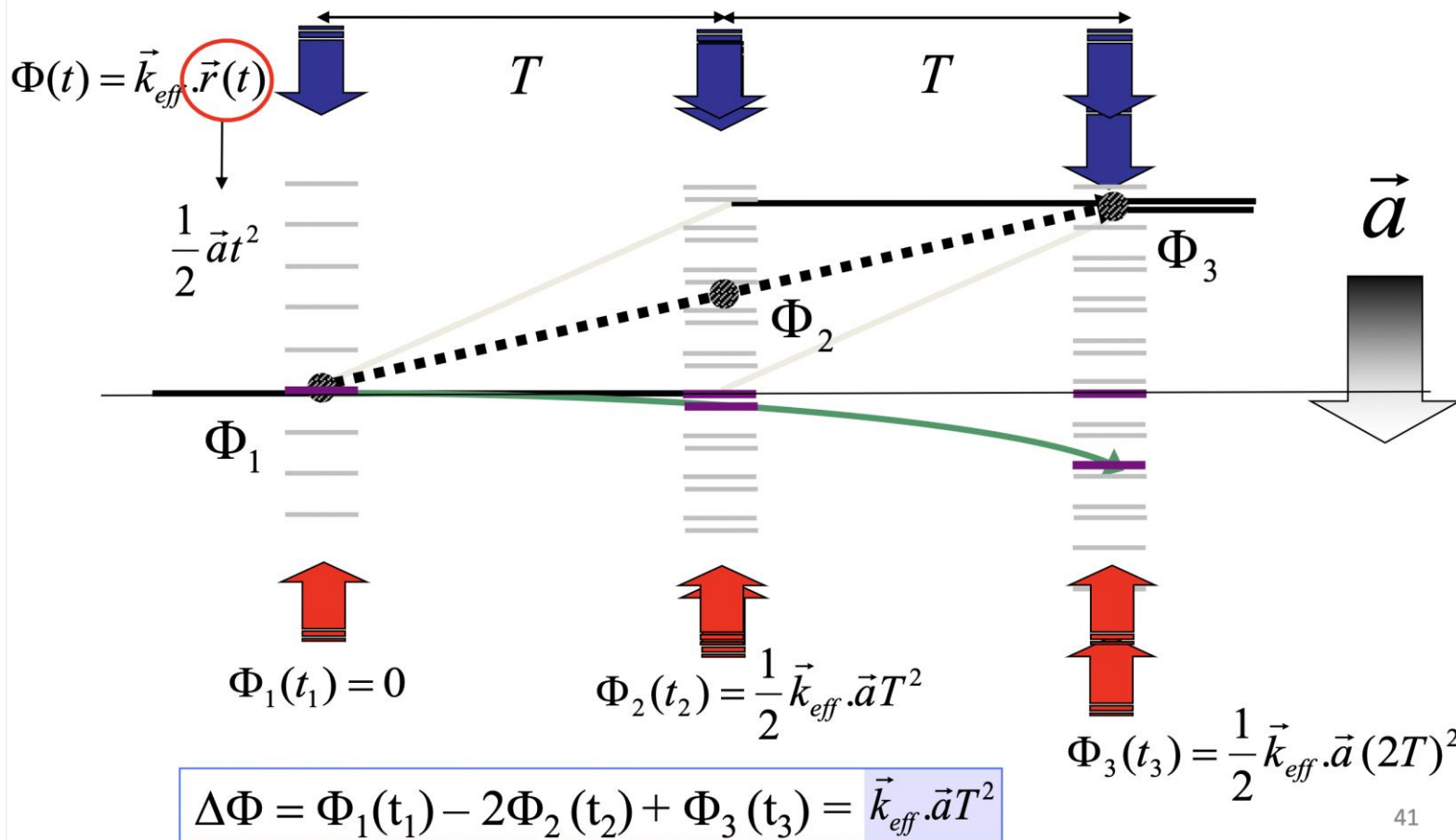
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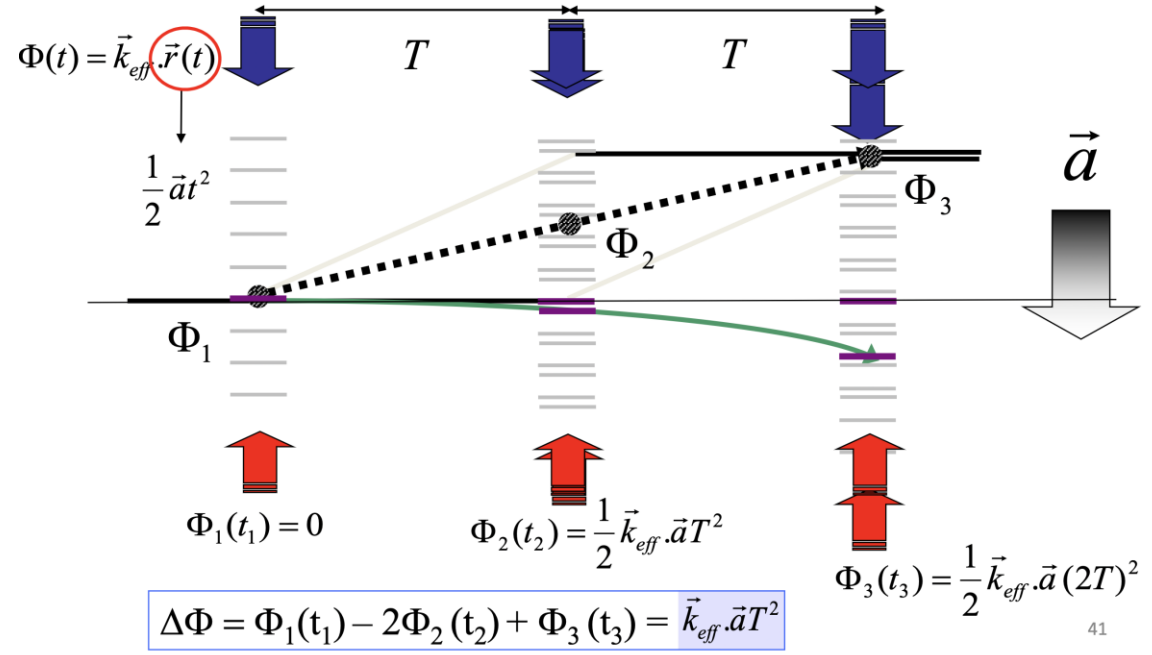
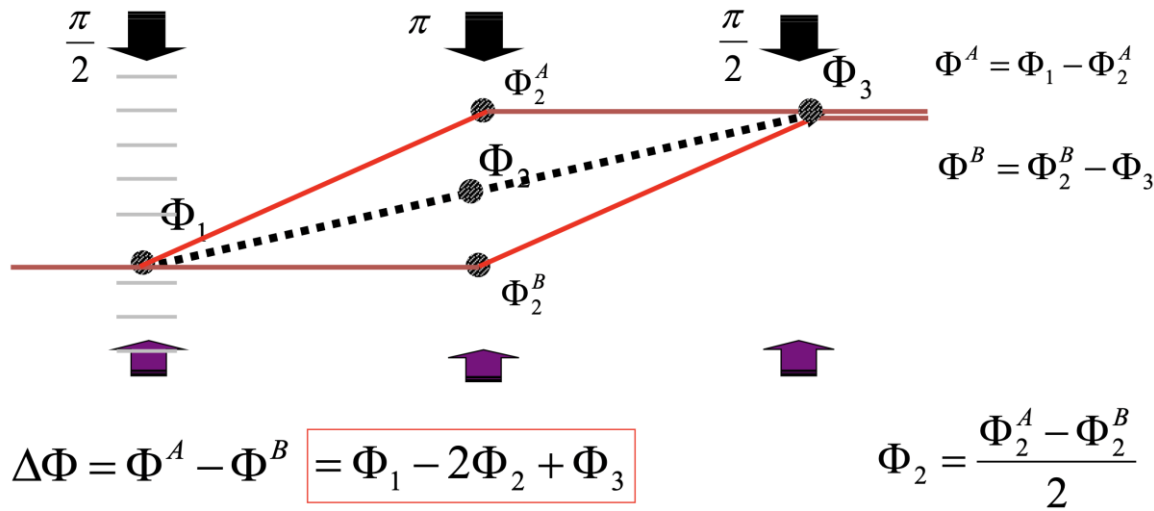
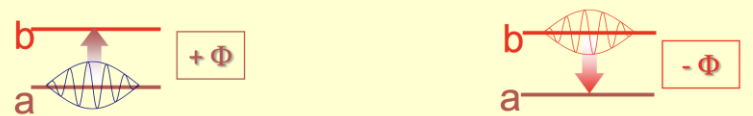
MZ Acceleration Phase Shift

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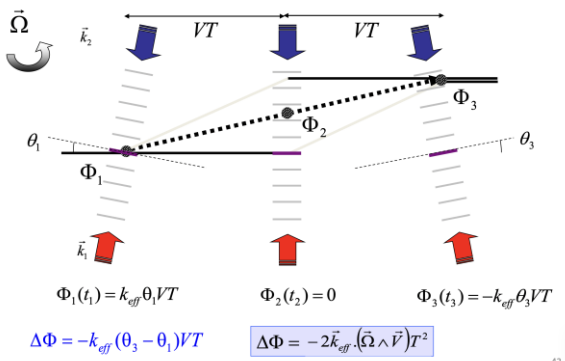


Different Phase Shifts for Different Interactions

Laser phase gets imprinted



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$$\Delta\Phi = \Phi_1^{eff} - 2\Phi_2^{eff} + \Phi_3^{eff}$$

$$\Phi_i^{eff}(t) = \vec{k}_i^{eff} \cdot \vec{r}_i(t)$$

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STE-QUEST (M-Class Mission Proposal)

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Space Time Explorer and QUantum Equivalence principle Space Test

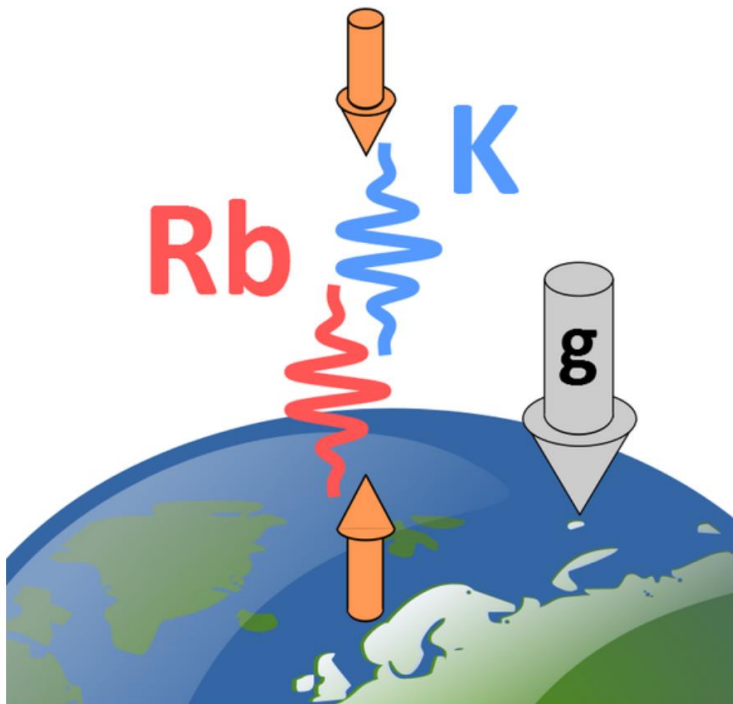
A M-class mission proposal in response to the 2022 call in ESA's science program

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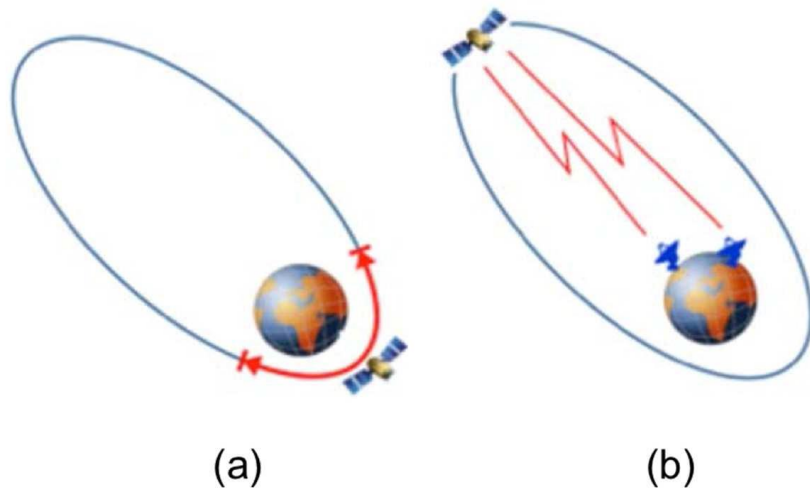
Strong UK representation
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All are also core
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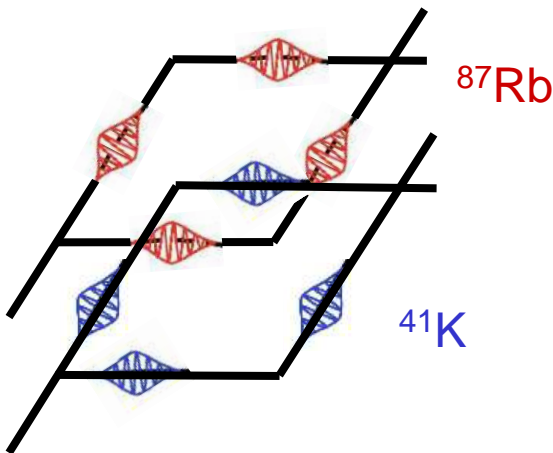


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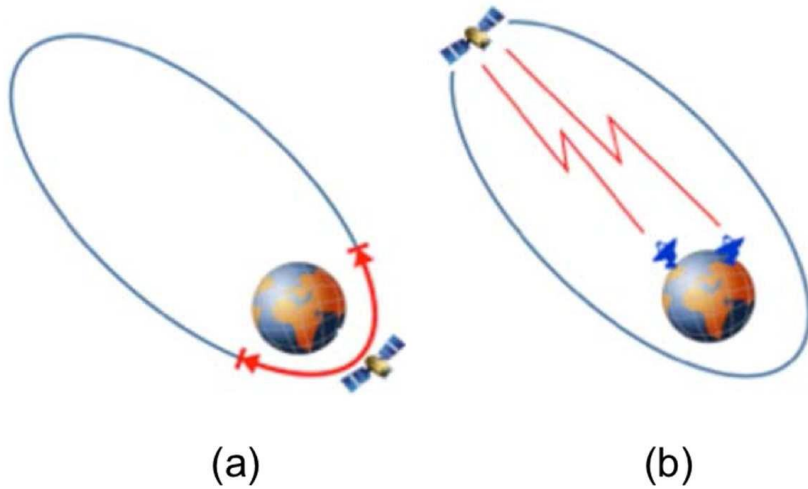
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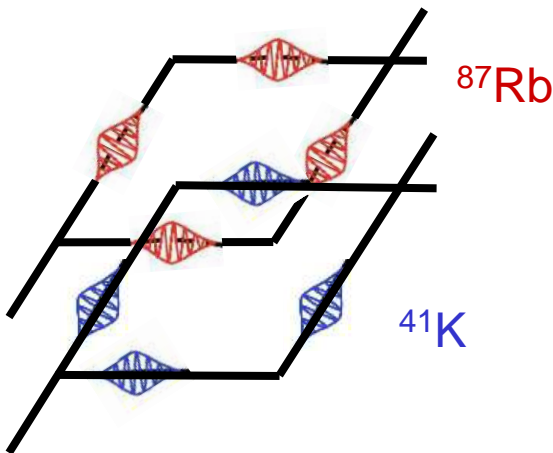
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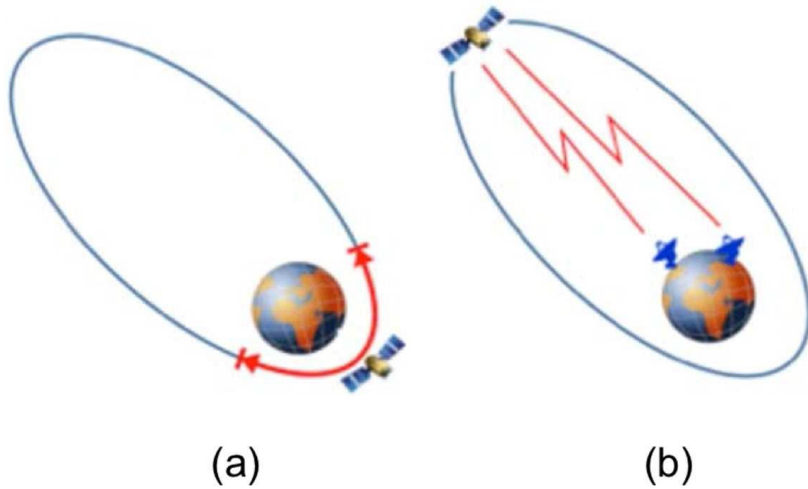
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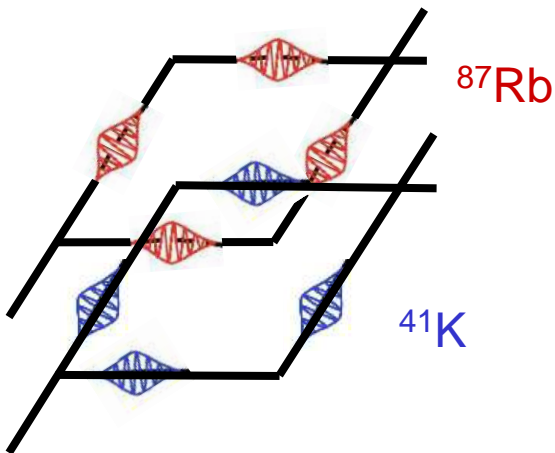


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• **Reaches**

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STE-QUEST Workshop on May 17/18

STE-QUEST: An M-class Cold Atom mission to probe gravity, dark matter and quantum mechanics is now open at:

<https://indico.cern.ch/event/1138902/registrations/>

The workshop will take place as a virtual event on zoom on May 17/18.

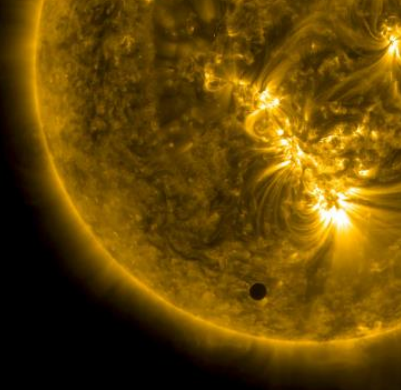
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- This workshop follows our Community Workshop & Roadmap for Cold Atoms in Space and is the next step in our community building process to define, develop and promote important milestones of our Community Roadmap, specifically the STE-QUEST M-class mission proposal now being considered by ESA.
- This event will bring together the cold atom, astrophysics, cosmology, and fundamental physics communities to discuss the science opportunities of this M-class mission proposal. Further information about the workshop scope is listed below.
- **Registering on the link provided above will enable you to attend the virtual workshop event and to keep informed about the continuing development of a full mission proposal that will follow it.**

ESA SENIOR RECOMMENDATIONS VOYGAE2050

Voyage 2050

Final recommendations from
the Voyage 2050 Senior Committee



Large missions:

- Moons of the Giant Planets
- Exoplanets
- **New Physical Probes of the Early Universe:**
Fundamental physics and astrophysics

Possible Medium missions:

... **QM & GR (cold atoms?)**

Technology development recommendations for Cold Atom Interferometry

- for gravitational wave detectors in new wavebands ..., detectors for dark matter candidates, sensitive clock tests of general relativity, tests of wave function collapse ...
- must reach high technical readiness level, be superior to classical technologies
- start with atomic clocks, on free-flyer or ISS?

What M-mission to propose?



“Per audacia ad astra”

A coordinated three-fold response of the community to the Voyage 2050 recommendations:

- **A letter to ESA’s Director of Science, Guenther Hasinger:**
 - to raise awareness in ESA that the community is prepared to organise itself and to work actively with ESA, as it shapes a roadmap for a Cold Atom technology in space development programme
- **A community workshop in September:**
 - This event brought together the cold atom, astrophysics, cosmology, fundamental physics, and earth observation communities to formulate a road-map for the development programme,
- **A Workshop Summary and Road-map Document**
 - As input input to ESA and national space agencies on how to structure a Cold atoms in Space programme and what priorities could be established.

CERN AION100 SITE EXPLORATION WITH PBC

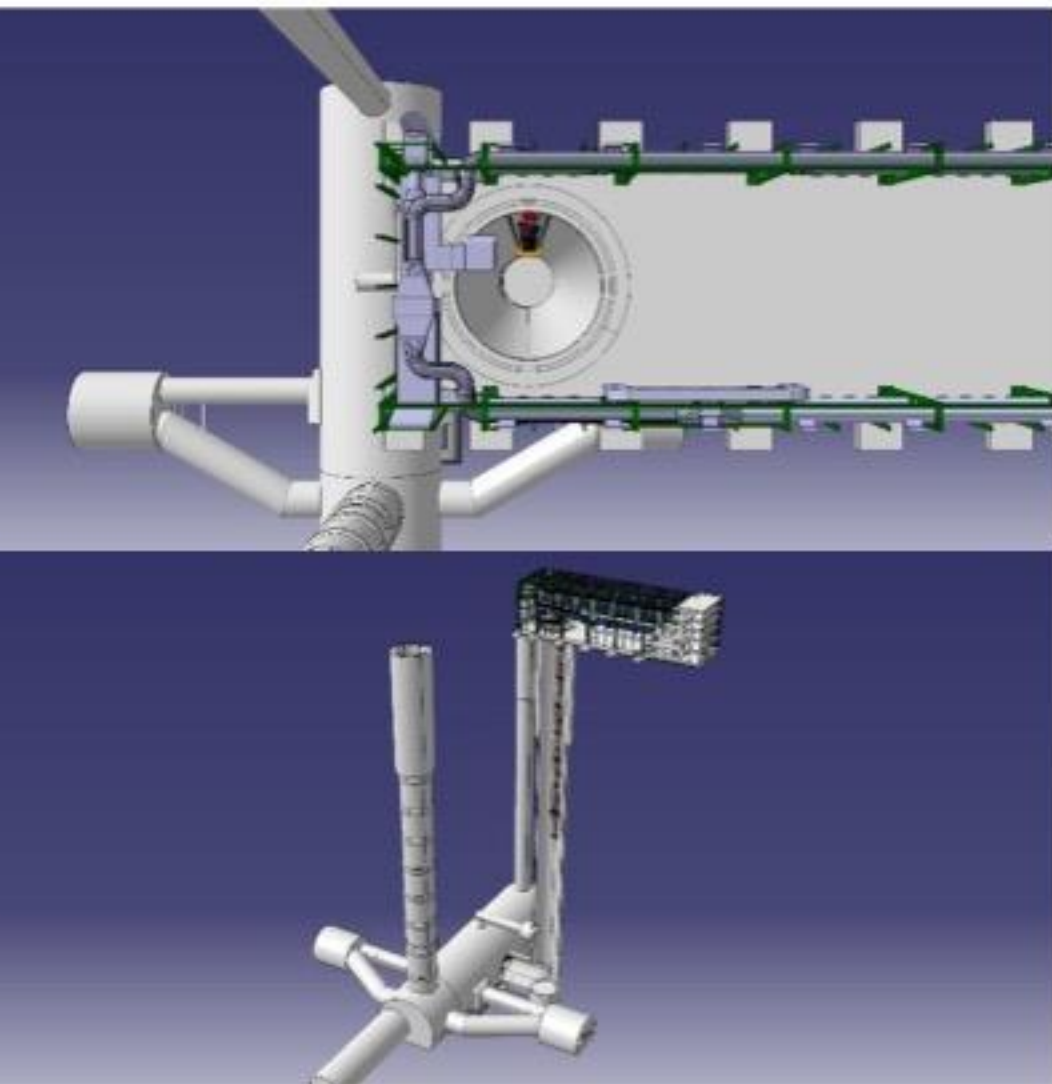
Introduction

EM Noise Levels

Slides from Sergio Calatroni (TE-VSC and PBC)

- **AION-100 experiment is an ion interferometer, proposed to be installed in the PX46 pit**
- **Feasibility study under way, with the support of the Physics Beyond Collider study - Technology Working Group. Aiming for official letter of intent at the end of the year.**
- **For info of other feasibility studies under way for AION-100: <https://indi.to/RkZdN>**
- **Need to measure EM background noise (1 mHz – 100 kHz) at the top (few meters below the steel lid) and at the bottom of PX46 during machine operation, using fluxgates up to 1-3 kHz, and 3D pick-up coils for the high frequency spectrum**
- **Choice of a closed plastic tube installed in the lid, after drilling, for hosting the probes**
- **Installation procedure approved by LMC: <https://edms.cern.ch/document/2710516/1.0>**
- **Many thanks to all services and people involved for the support: everybody was fully motivated to help**

AION-100



Location of AION-100

Drilling location



The tube (thanks to EN-MME)



PP plastic, closed at bottom
225 mm outer diameter
199,4 mm inner diameter
5000 mm length
Al flange for support



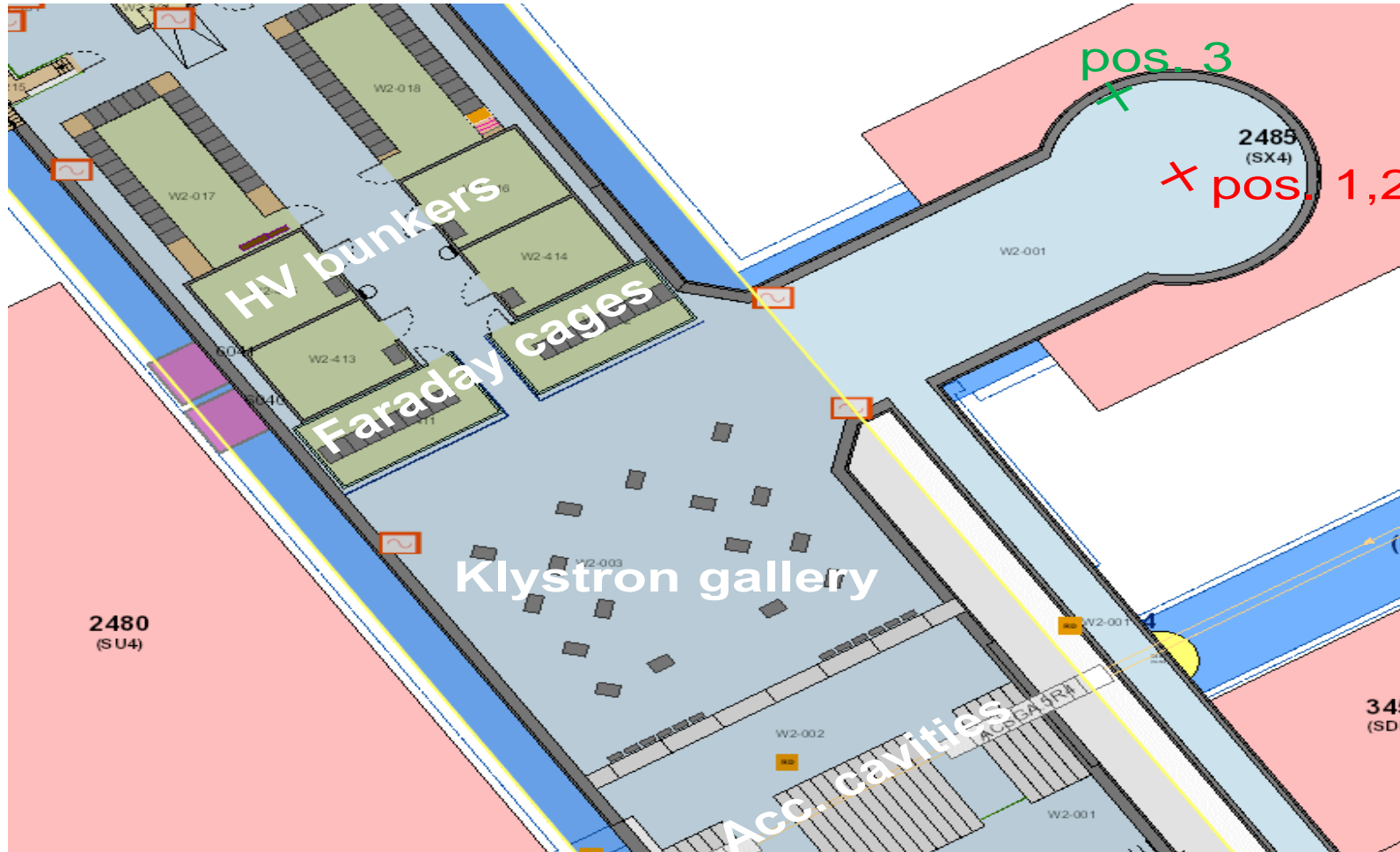
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Ready for inserting the probes

Measurement location at the bottom of the PX46 shaft, UX45 building

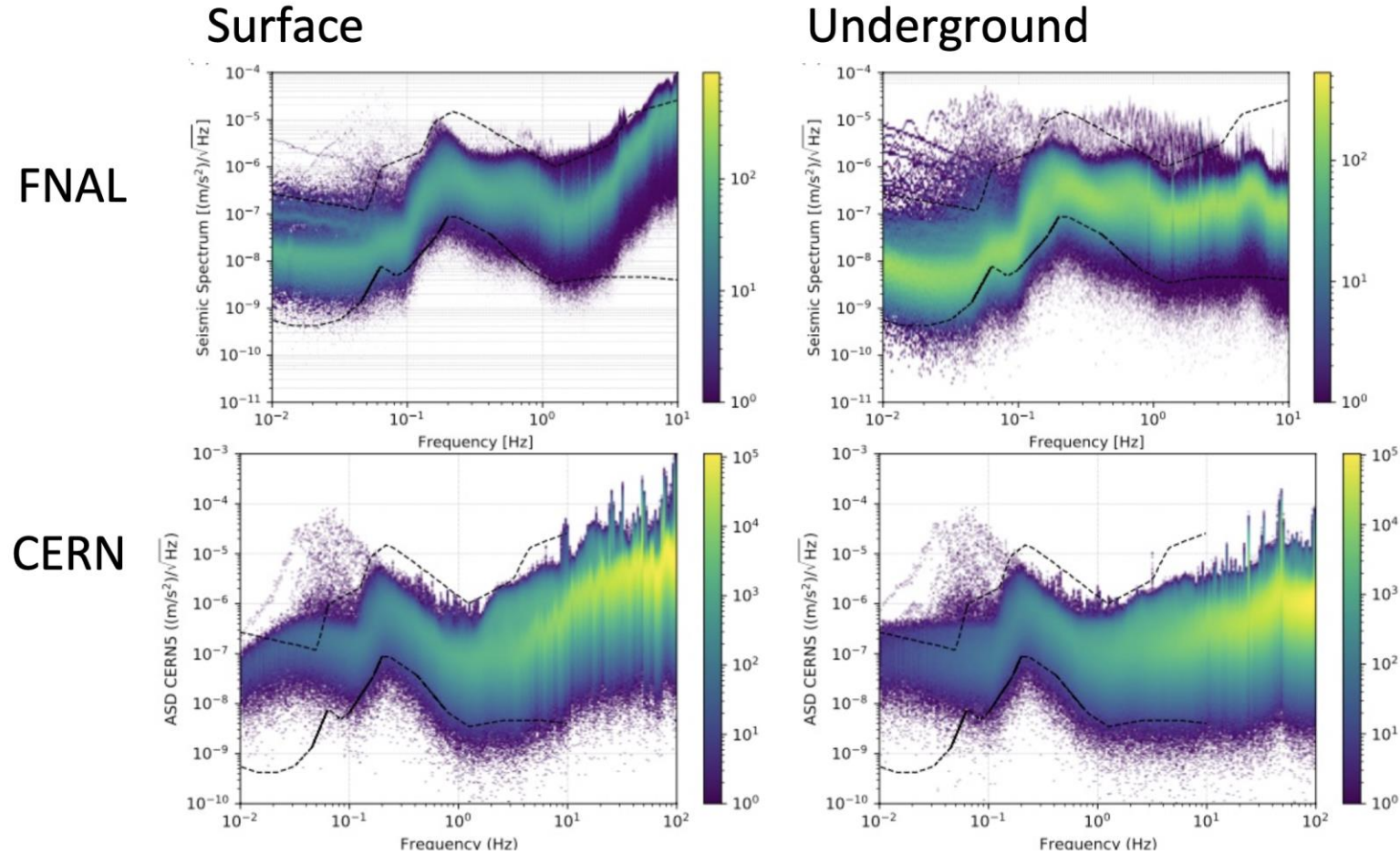
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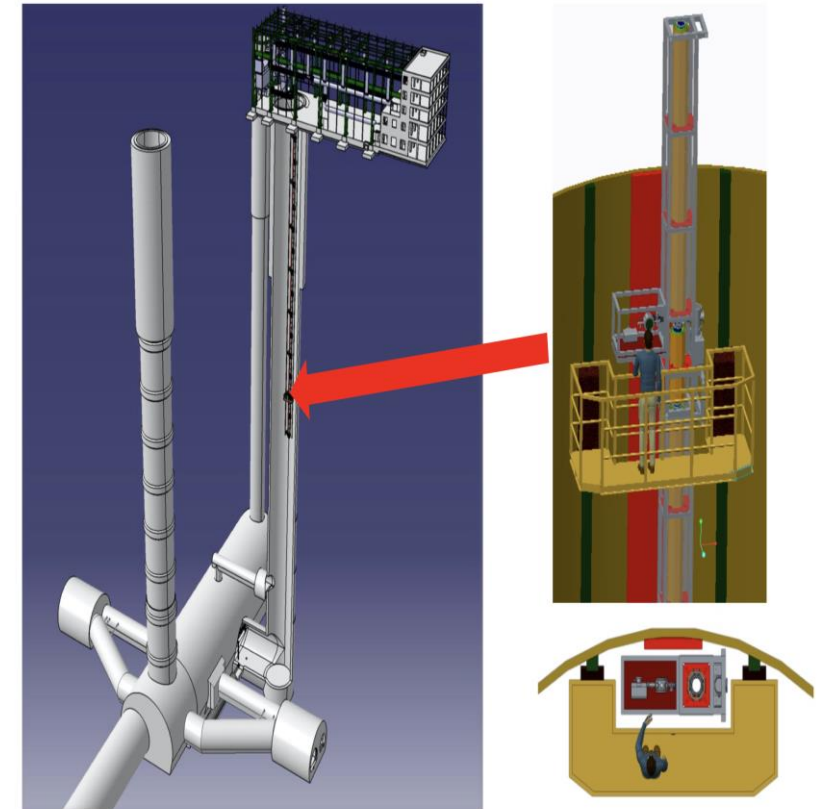


ATION-100 at CERN – Site Investigation



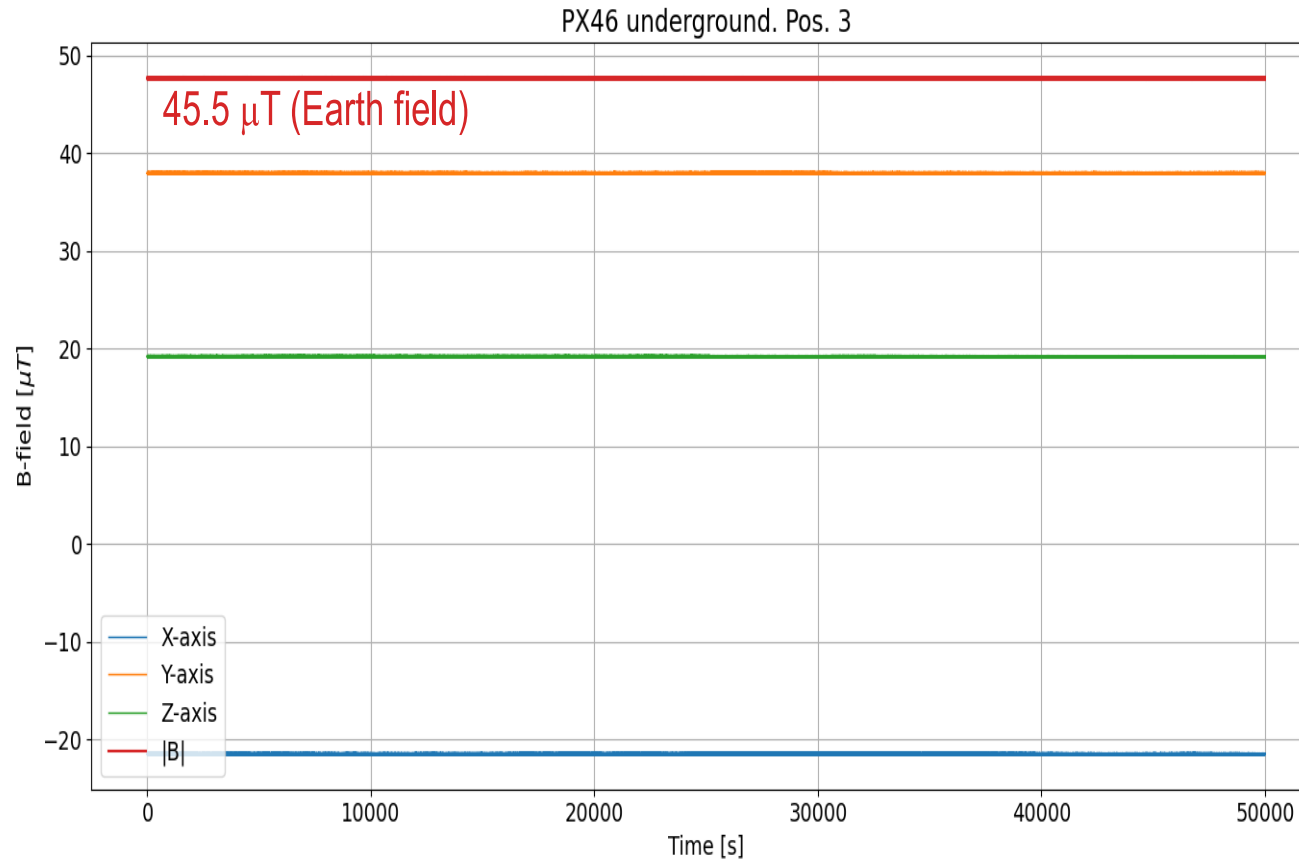
General view of LHC Point 4

Possible layout in PX46 shaft



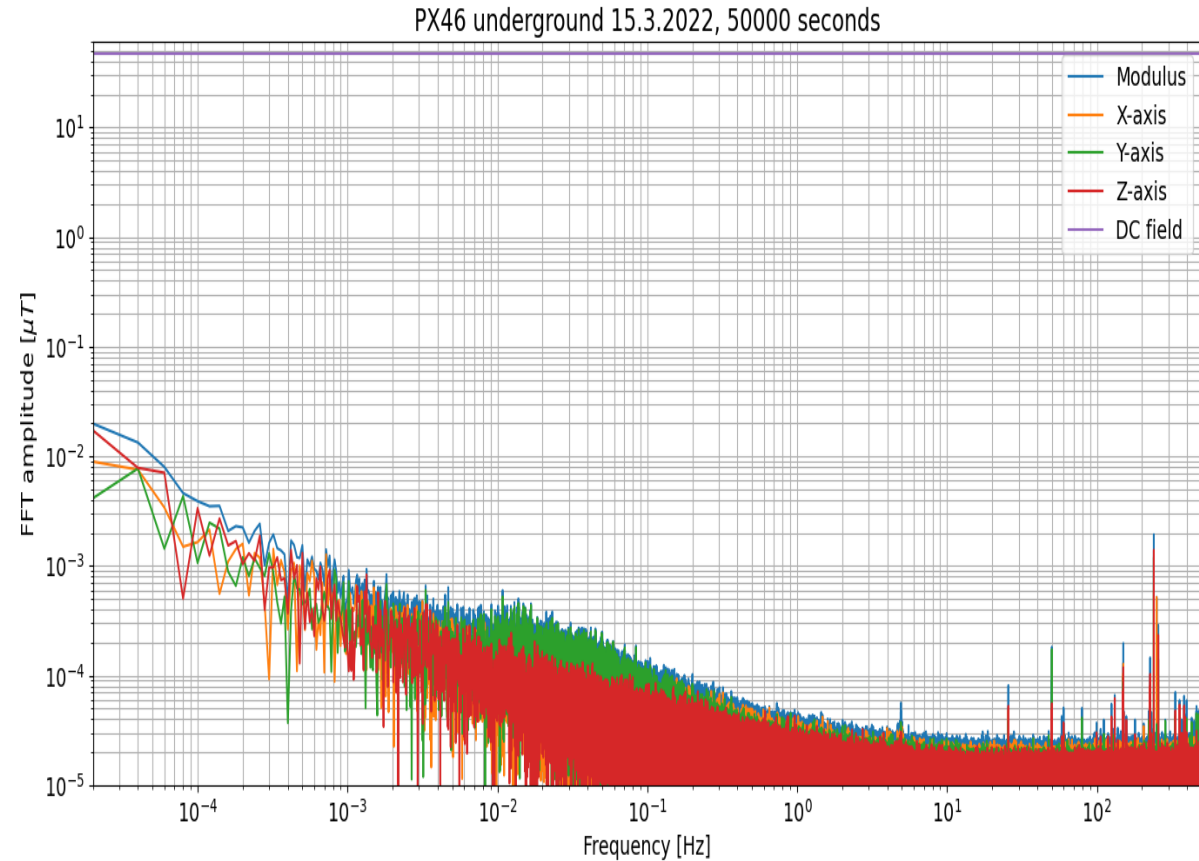
Spectrum similar to that measured at Fermilab for MAGIS

Location: bottom of the PX46 shaft. Systems in UX45 running



Location 3, wall of PX46. Quiet, Earth field for scale

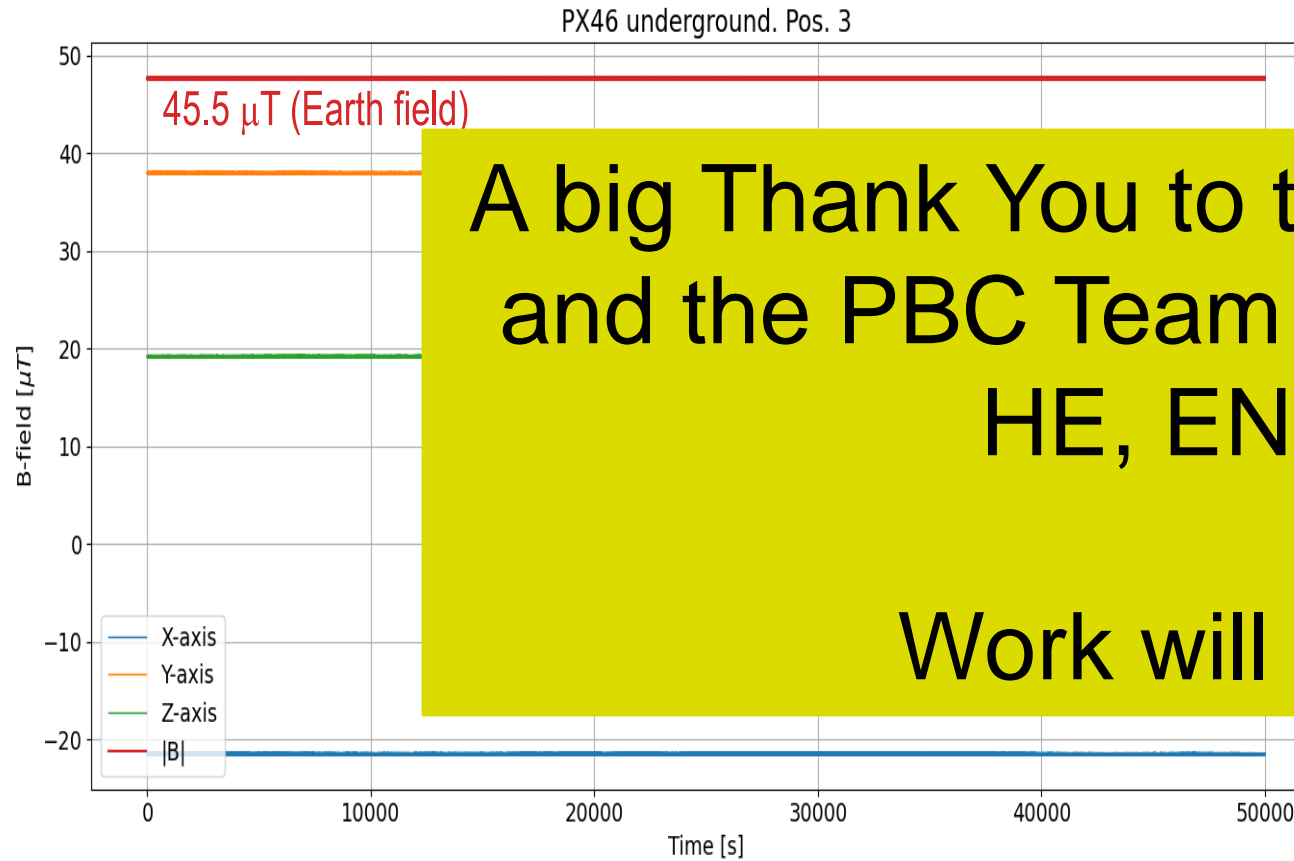
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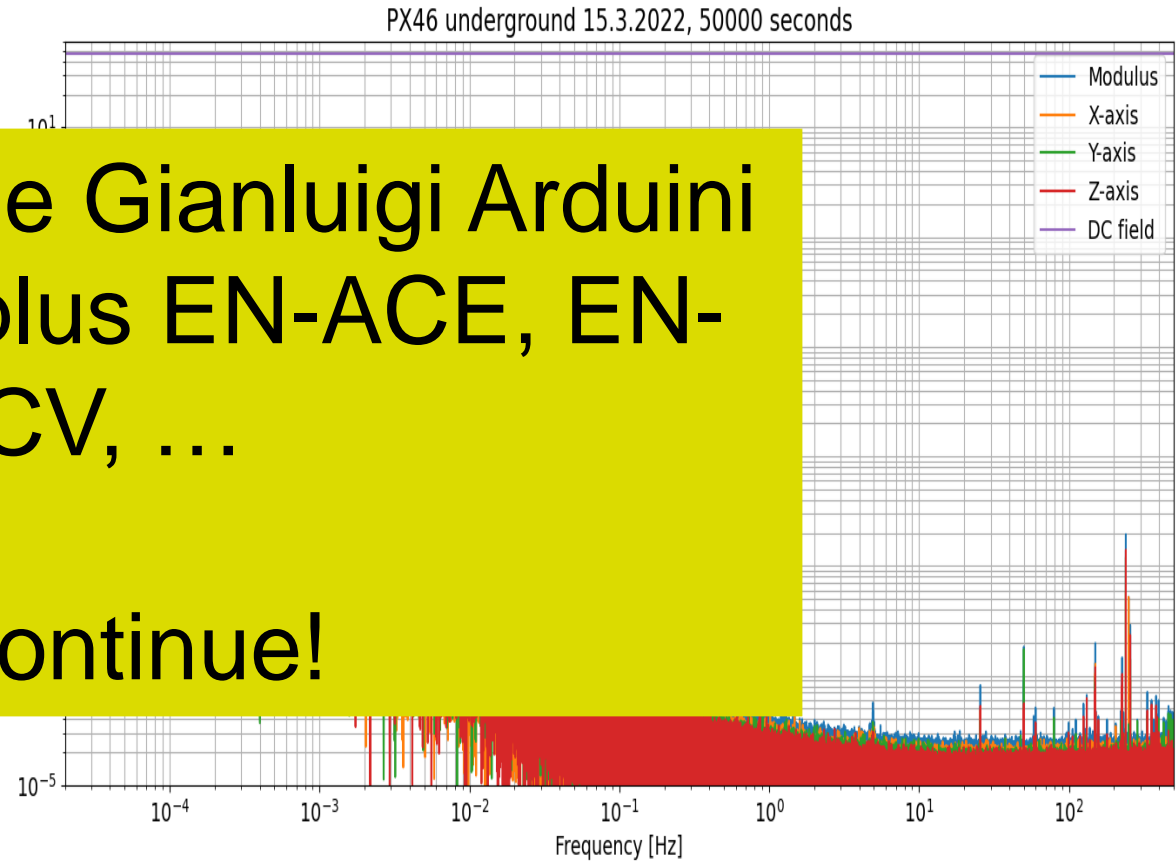
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A big Thank You to the Gianluigi Arduini and the PBC Team plus EN-ACE, EN-HE, EN-CV, ...

Work will continue!



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**APPLICATIONS IN OTHER FIELDS, SUCH AS
QUANTUM COMPUTING.**

Quantum Computing & AION

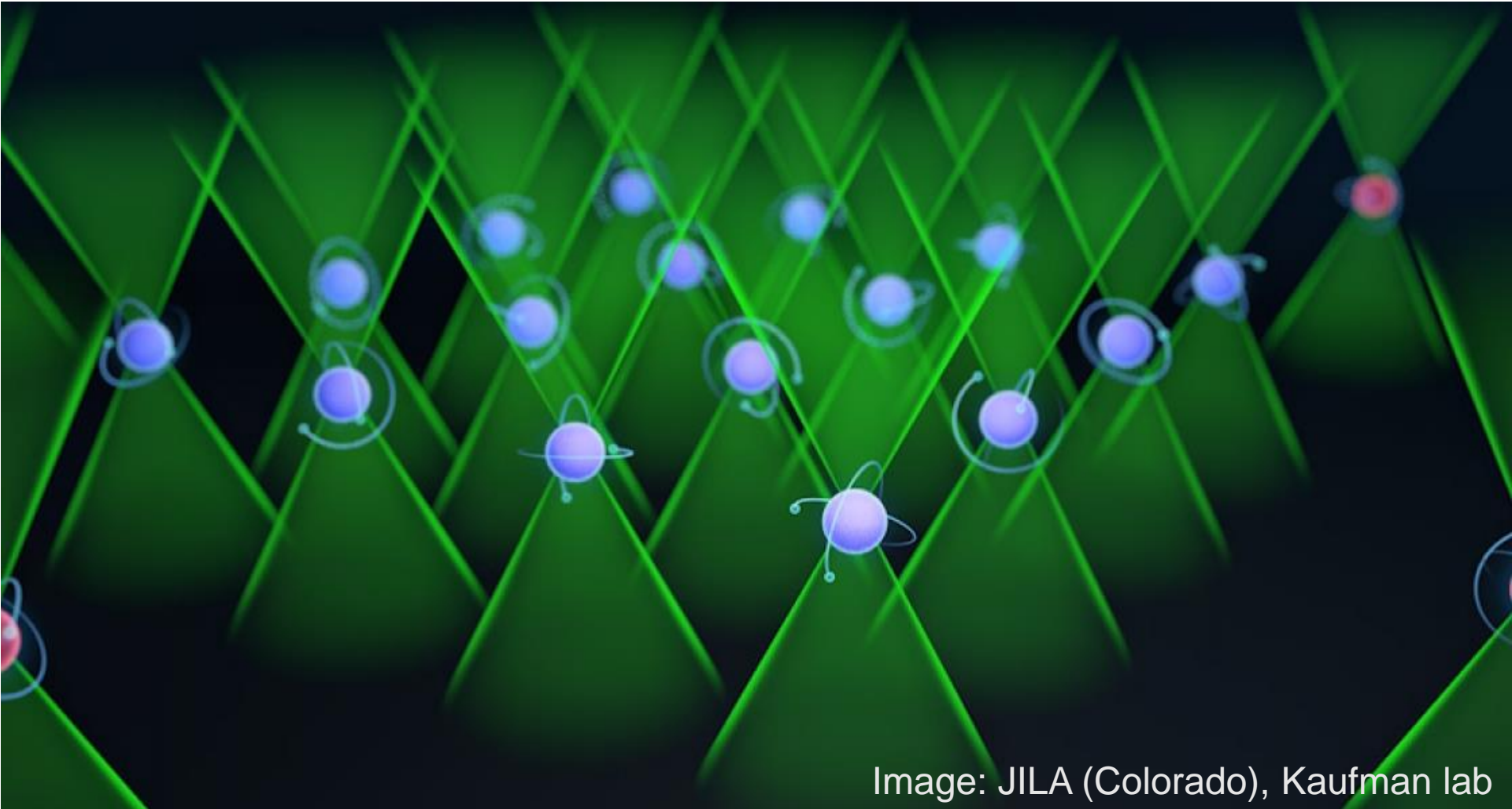
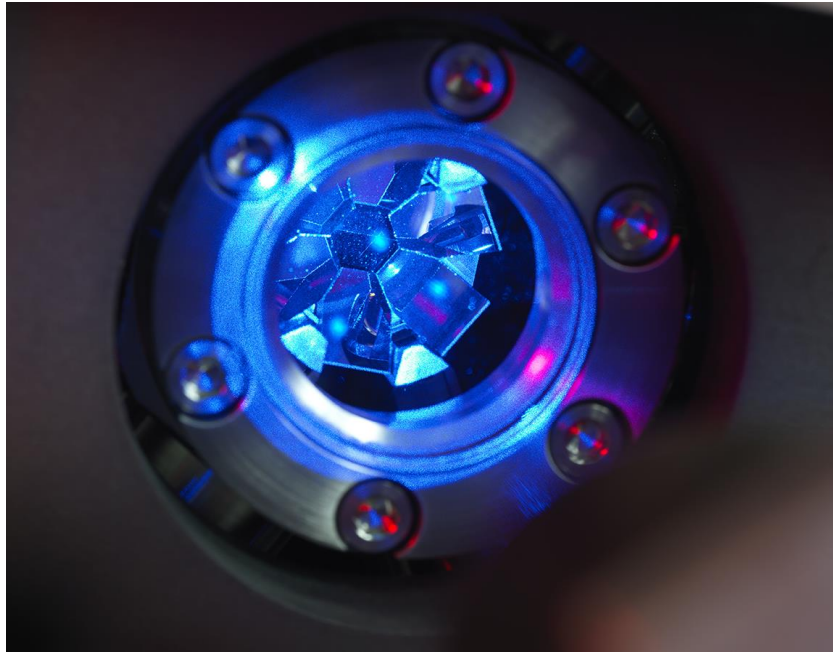


Image: JILA (Colorado), Kaufman lab

Quantum Computing & AION

Existing AION cold Sr system (80%)

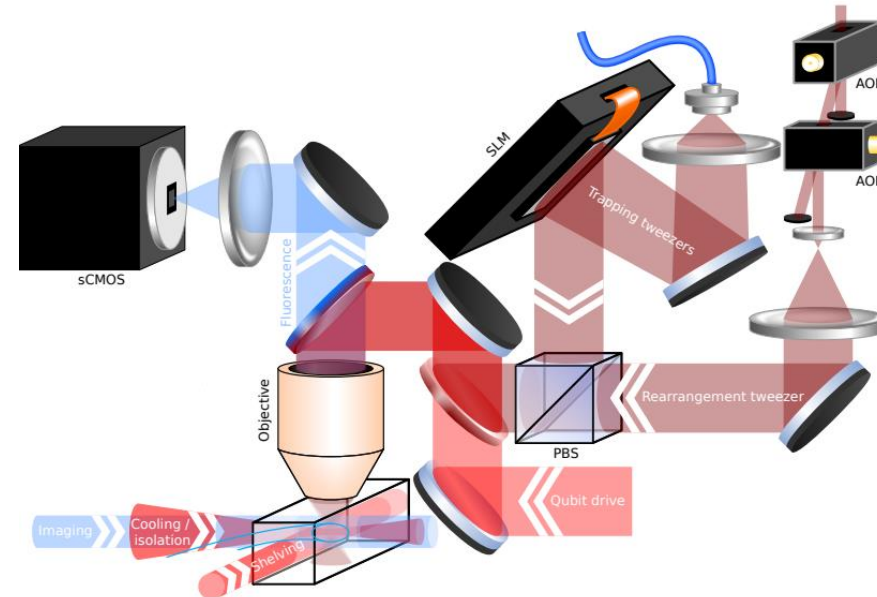


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New tweezer array (20%)

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Quantum computer

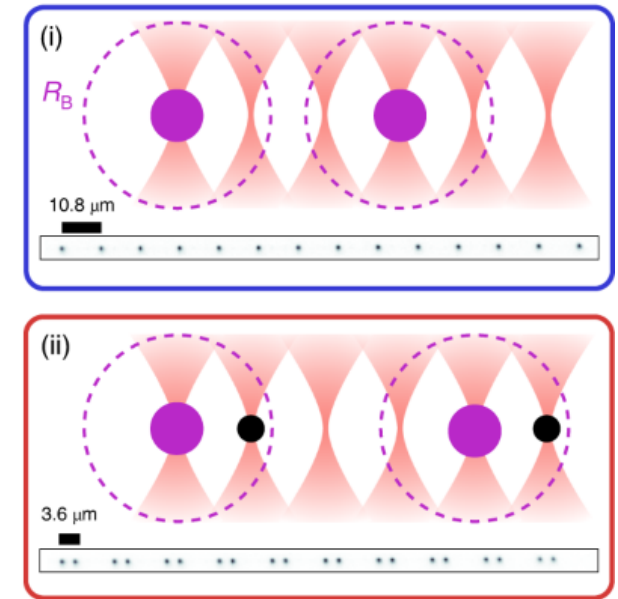
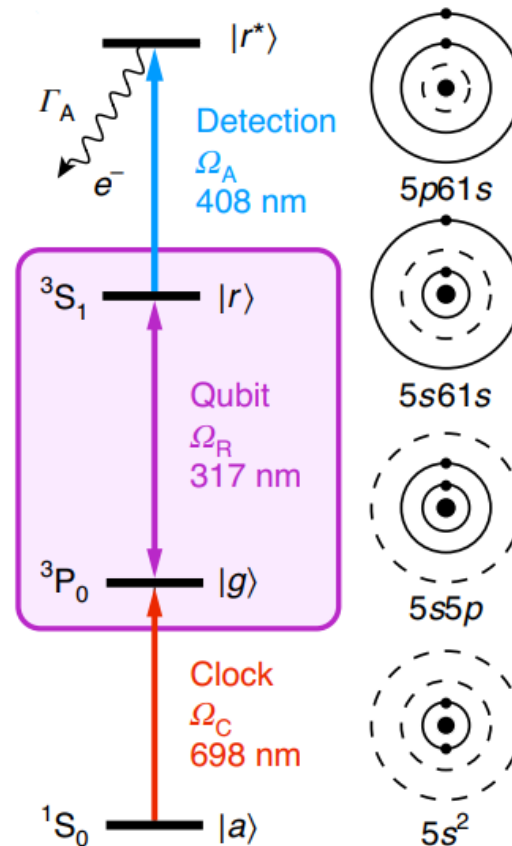
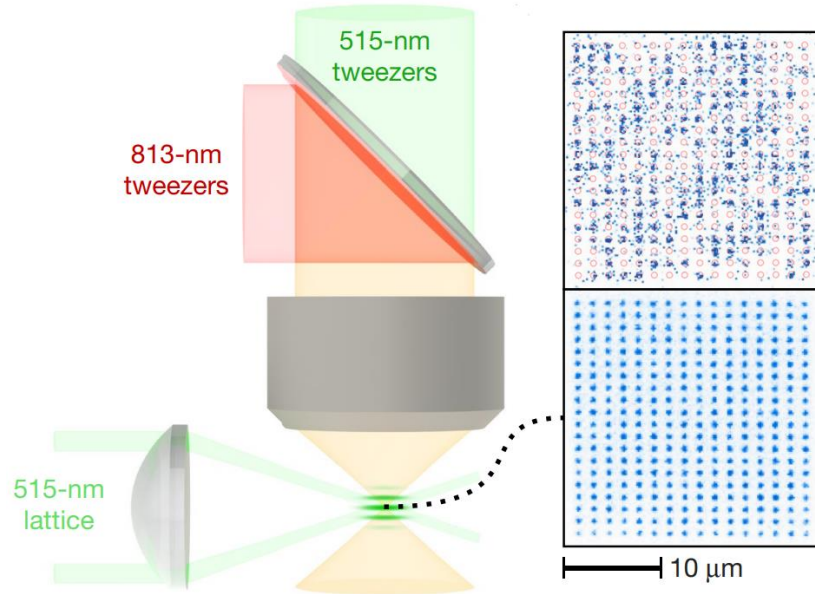


K. Barnes et al, <https://arxiv.org/abs/2108.04790> (2021)
– Atom Computing

Quantum Computing & AION

1 qubit = 1 Sr atom

Quantum logic gates (the hard bit!): Rydbergs

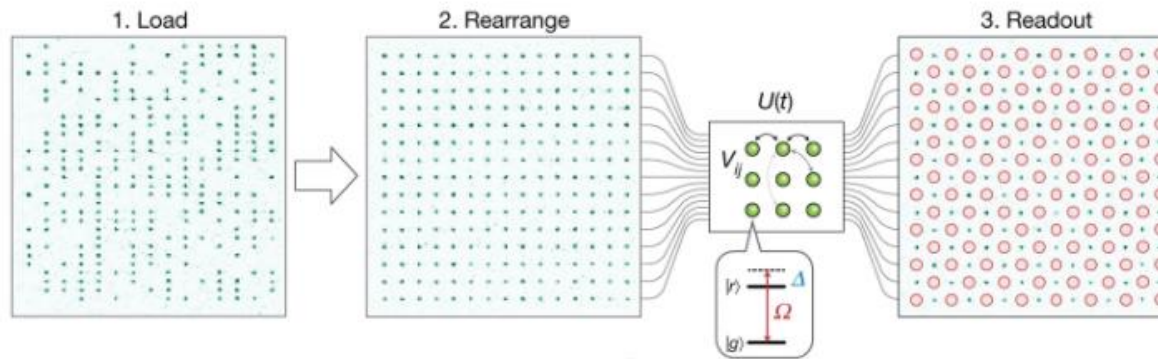


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 99.9(2)% gate fidelity

Quantum Computing & AION

- Trapped-ion or superconducting qubits developed over ~ 20 years
- Tweezer array qubits started to emerge in the last ~ 10 years



Why are we well placed to do this at Imperial?

- Atomic clocks → single qubit operations
- Squeezing → cavities to exchange atom vs photon qubits
- AION → robust, highly engineered Sr systems

Atoms in tweezers – some recent academic results:

- S. Ebadi et al, Nature 595, 227-232 (2021) – Harvard, Lukin lab
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Startups in neutral atom computing

<https://atom-computing.com/> - \$60M funding round, 2022

<https://pasqal.io/about>

<https://coldquanta.com/core-technology/hilbert/>

<https://www.quera.com/>

<https://mobile.twitter.com/computingq>

Why Space?

One important argument in favour of Space (vs Earth) is interrogation time T of the atoms in free fall conditions.

To better understand this, it is useful to look at the short-term sensitivity to acceleration of an Atom Interferometer:

$$\delta g = \frac{\delta\phi}{nkT^2} \quad [\text{m/s}^2/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}]$$

where $\delta\phi$ is the atom-phase-resolution of the interferometer, n is the number of Large Momentum Transfer pulses, k is the effective wave-number of the atomic transition and T is the interrogation time between interferometer pulses.

On Earth, many interferometry experiments are limited by their free-fall interrogation times T , achieved through launching or dropping atom clouds at some limited distance above the floor. In space this limitation is removed, leading to potentially large improvements in performance.

Example:

Taking AION-10 goal as reference, we are planning to demonstrate that AION-10 can reach on earth with an interrogation time $T \sim 1\text{s}$ a δg of about 5.7×10^{-13} in 2024. In space, we estimate we could reach $T \sim 20\text{sec}$ and, thus, reach 3.9×10^{-14} (factor ~ 15 better).

Why Atom Interferometry in Space?

$$\Delta g = \frac{1}{kT^2\sqrt{N}}$$

**GRACE reference:
ONERA Superstar
Accelerometer: 10^{-10} m/s^2**

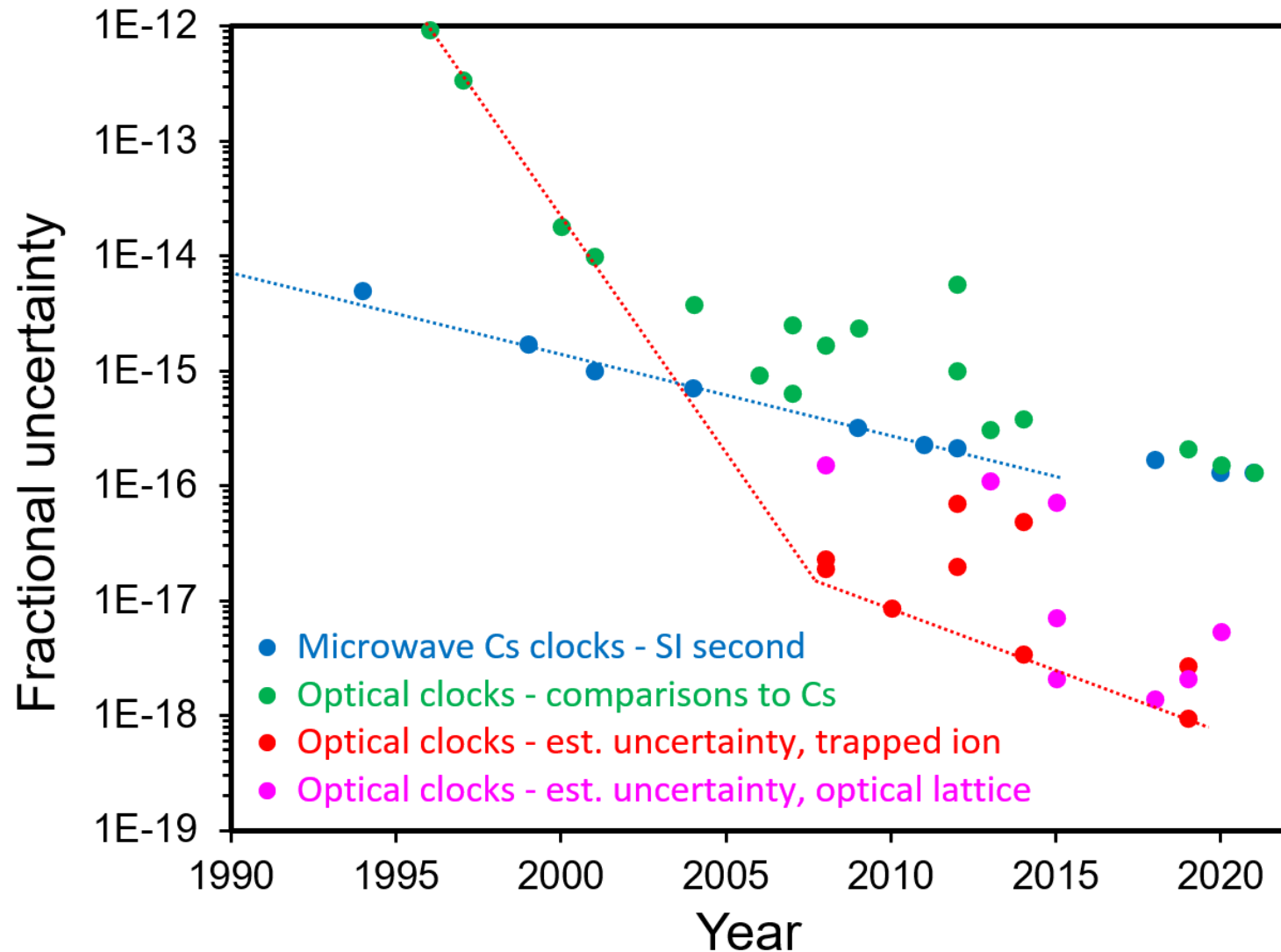
T=100ms N=10 ⁶	T=1s N=10 ⁶	T=10s N=10⁶	T=1s N=10 ⁶ 100 pulses	T=1s N=10 ⁸ 1000 pulses
6 10 ⁻⁹ m/s ²	6 10 ⁻¹¹ m/s ²	6 10⁻¹³ m/s²	6 10 ⁻¹³ m/s ²	3 10 ⁻¹⁴ m/s ²

Large $T \rightarrow$ large sensitivity

ROADMAP

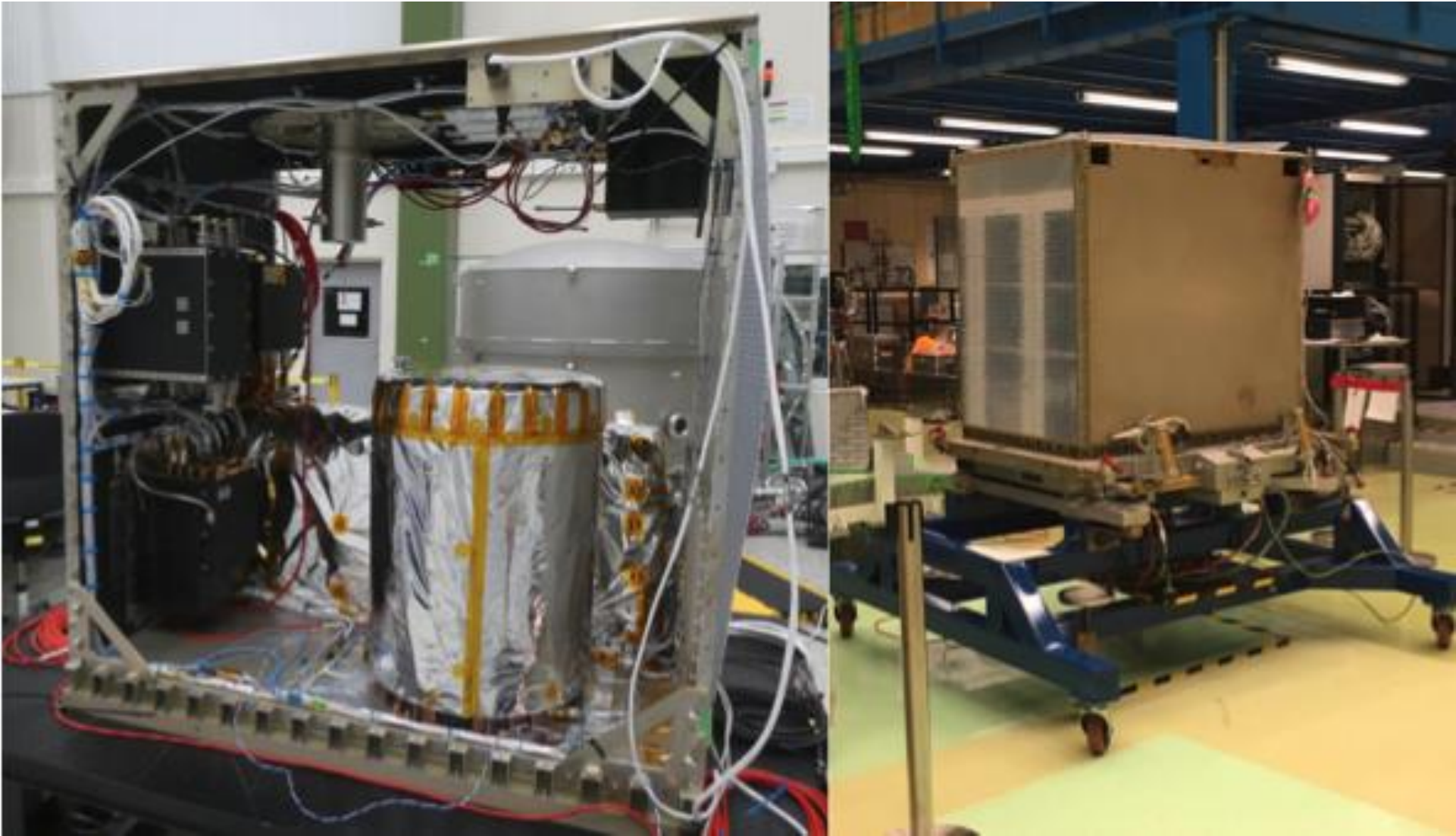
Atomic Clock Progress

use for next-generation SI time standard worldwide?



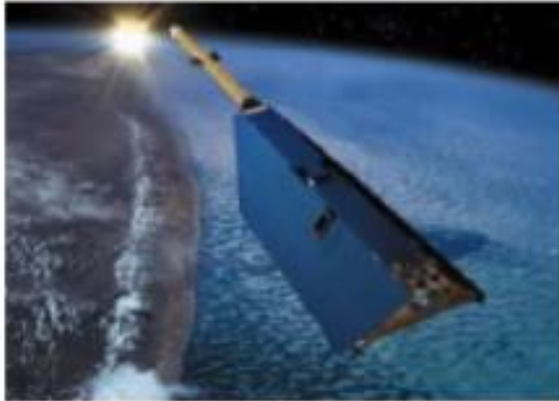
Atomic Clock Progress

ACES atomic clock mission: scheduled launch to ISS 2025

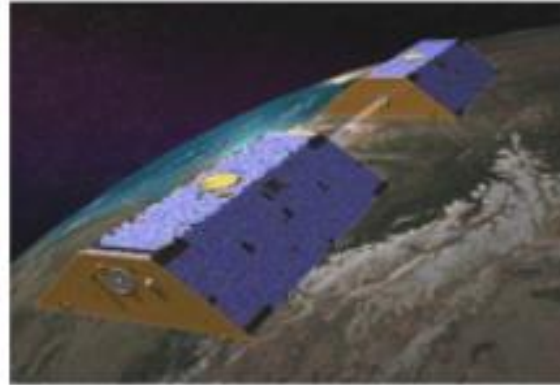


Earth Observation Progress

Earth Observation: using classical electrostatic accelerometers & gradiometers



CHAMP : satellite tracking by GNSS + accelerometry



GRACE and GRACE-FO:
orbit determination + satellite-to-satellite tracking + accelerometry

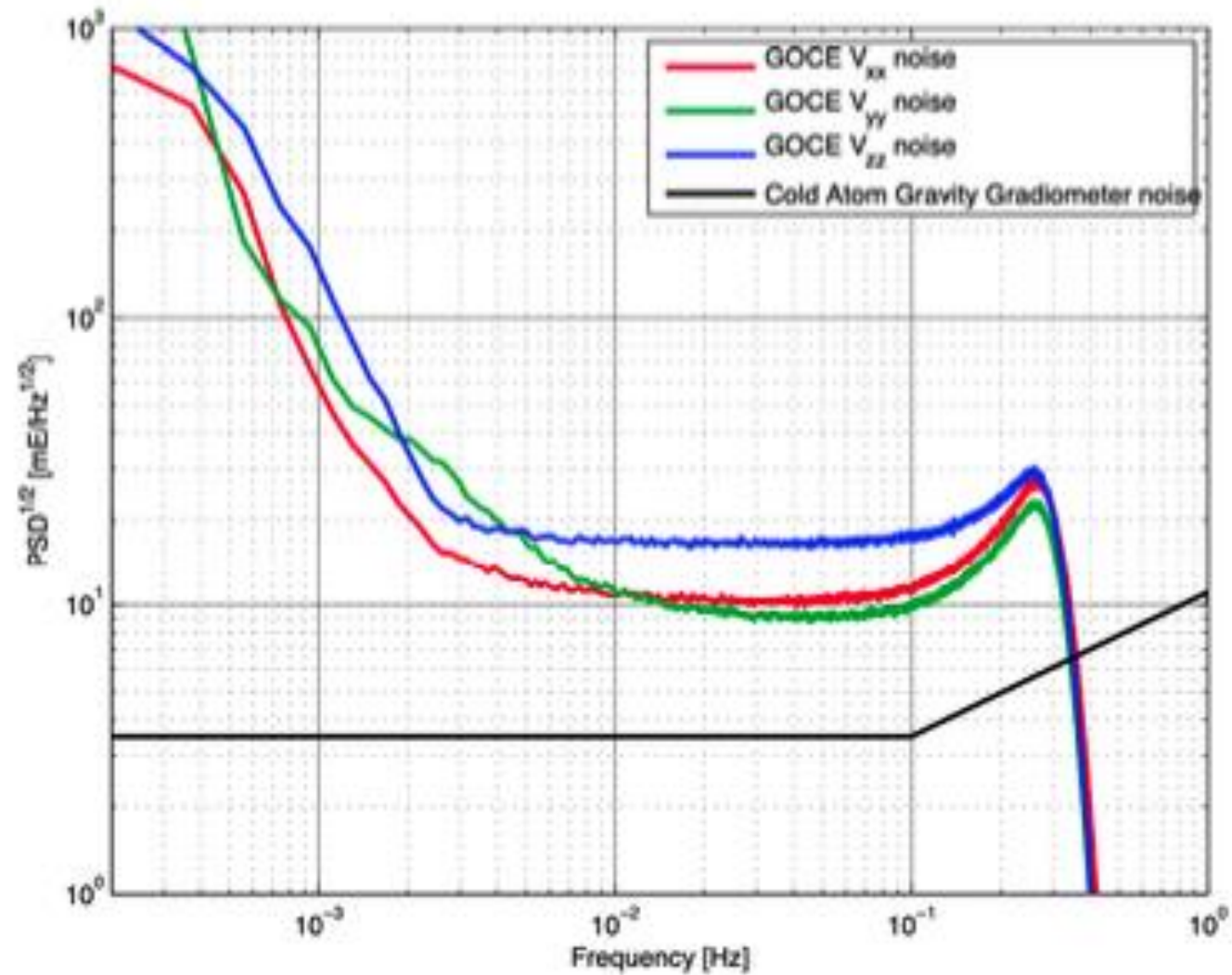


GOCE: orbit determination + gradiometry

	CHAMP 2000 - 2010	GRACE/GRACE-FO 2002 - ongoing	NGGM Launch scheduled 2028	GOCE 2009 - 2013
Measurement type		Monitoring gravity field time variations		Static gravity field
EA accuracy	$\sim 10^{-10} \text{ m/s}^2$	$\sim 10^{-11} \text{ m/s}^2$	$\sim 10^{-11} \text{ m/s}^2$	$\sim 10^{-12} \text{ m/s}^2$
Geoid undulations	$\sim 10 \text{ cm}$ @350 km	$\sim 10 \text{ cm}$ @175 km	$\sim 1 \text{ mm}$ @ 500 km every 3 days $\sim 1 \text{ mm}$ @ 150 km every 10 days	$\sim 1 \text{ cm}$ @100 km
Gravity anomalies	$\sim 0.02 \text{ mGal}$ @1000 km	$\sim 1 \text{ mGal}$ @175 km		$\sim 1 \text{ mGal}$ @100 km

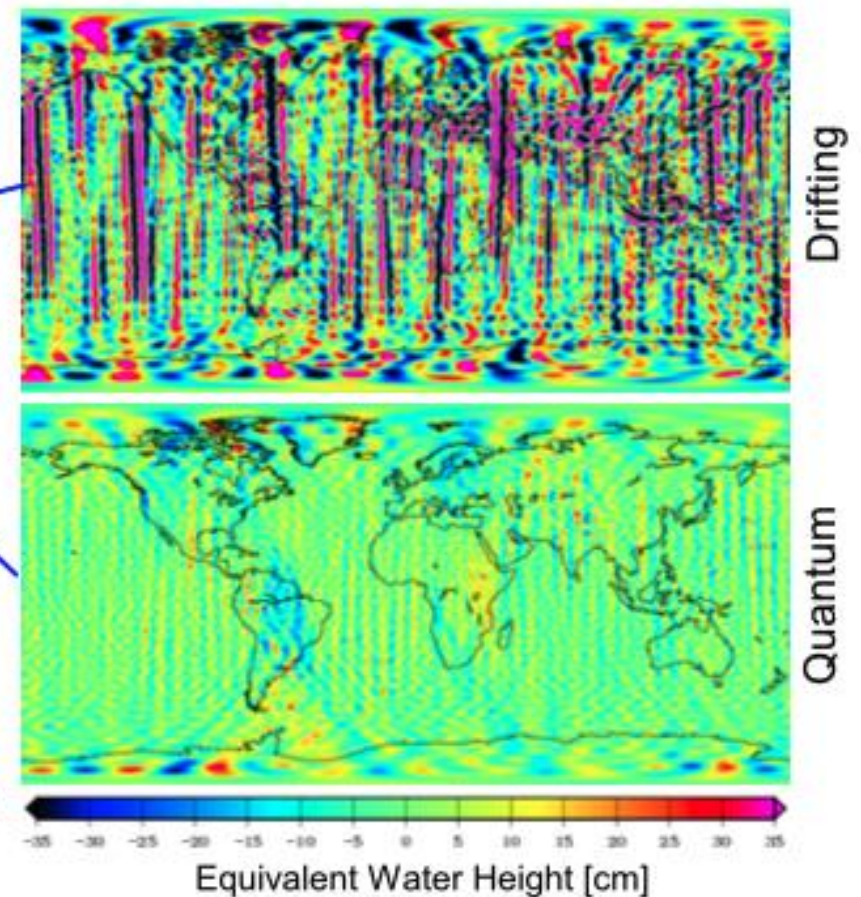
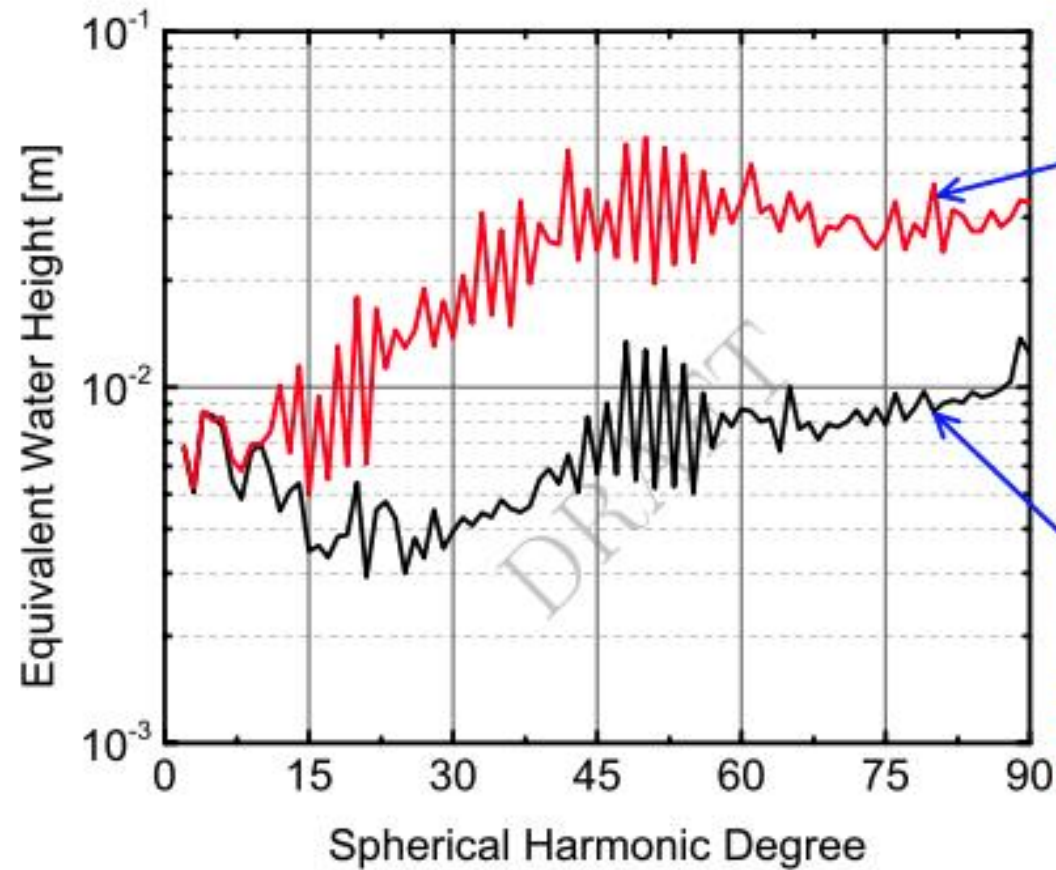
Earth Observation Progress

Frequency Sensitivity advantage of cold atom gravity gradiometers at low frequency, no drift



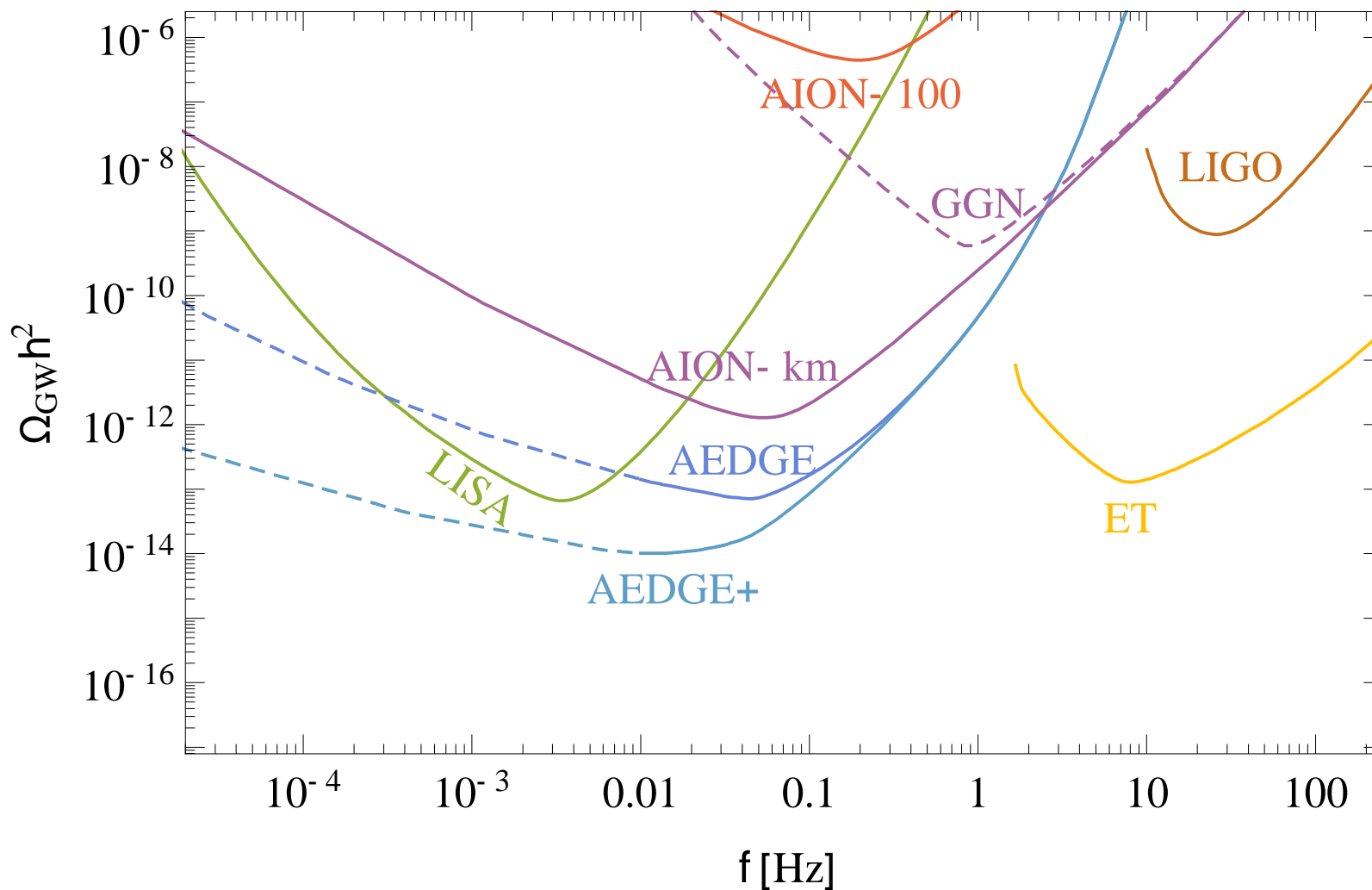
Earth Observation Progress

Sensitivity to Water Height
crucial for monitoring climate change



Vision for 2045+

Probe formation of SMBHs: Synergies with other GW experiments (LIGO, LISA), test GR

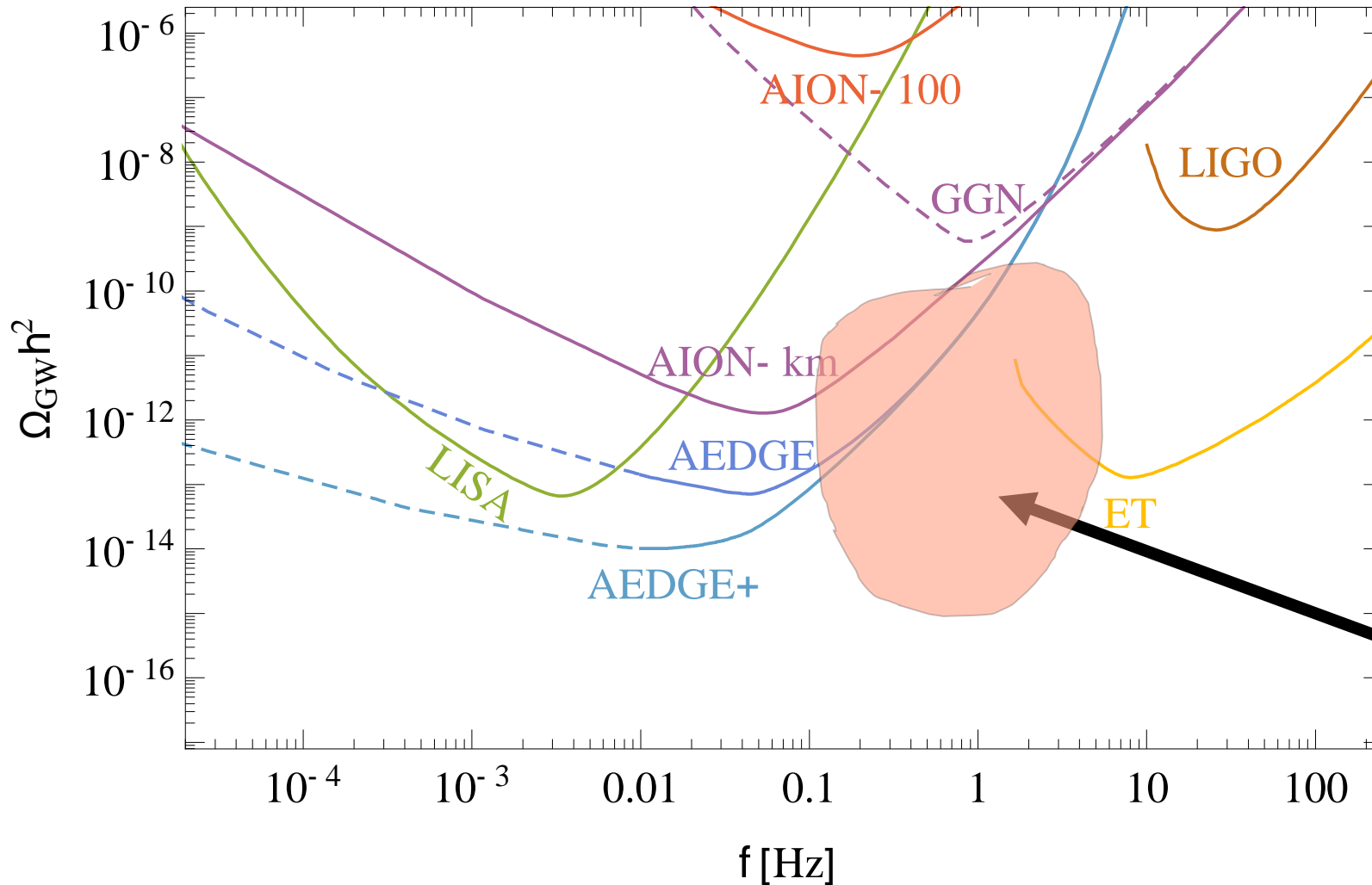


Translate Stain sensitivity into the dimensionless energy density of a GW

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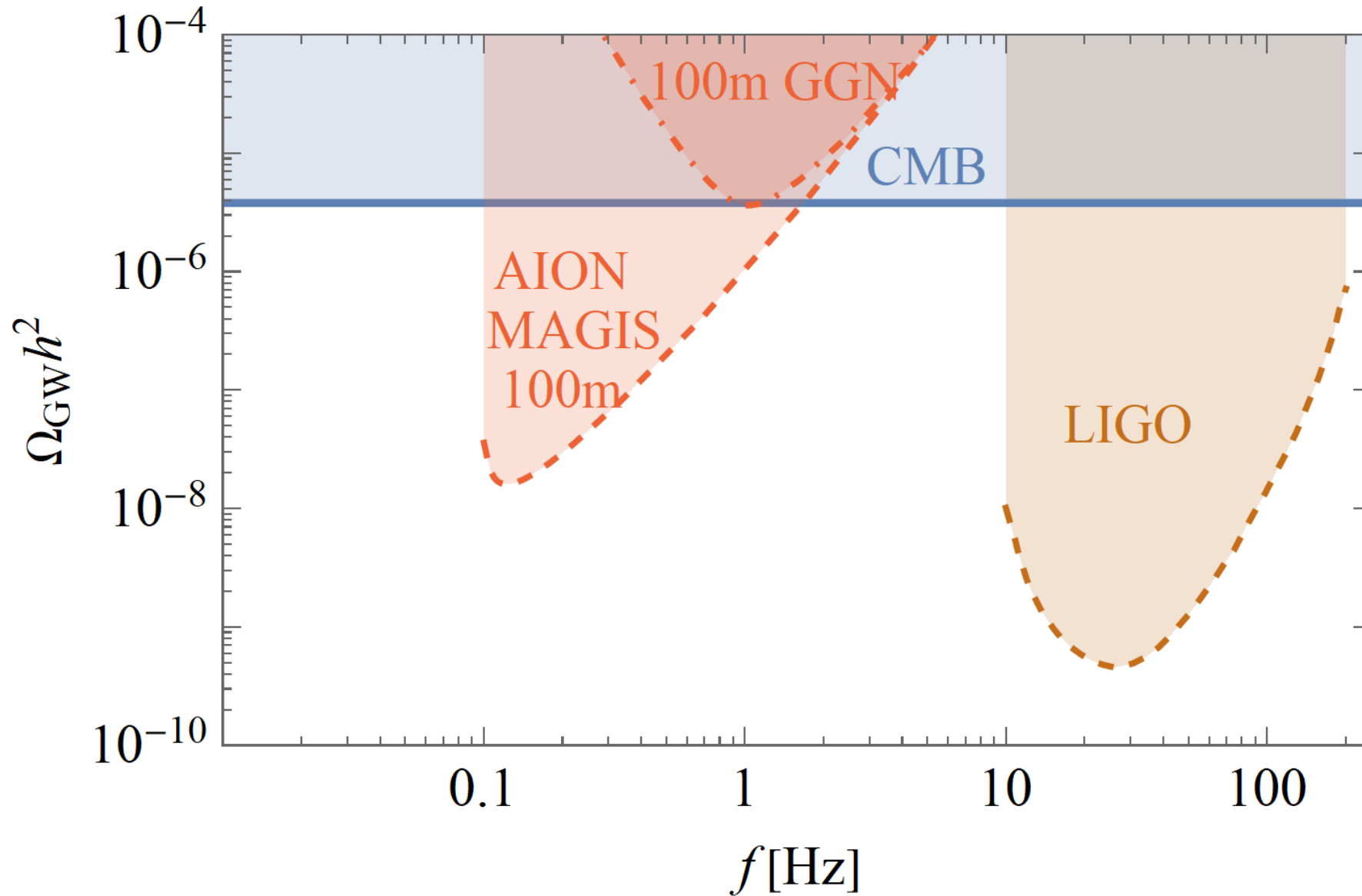


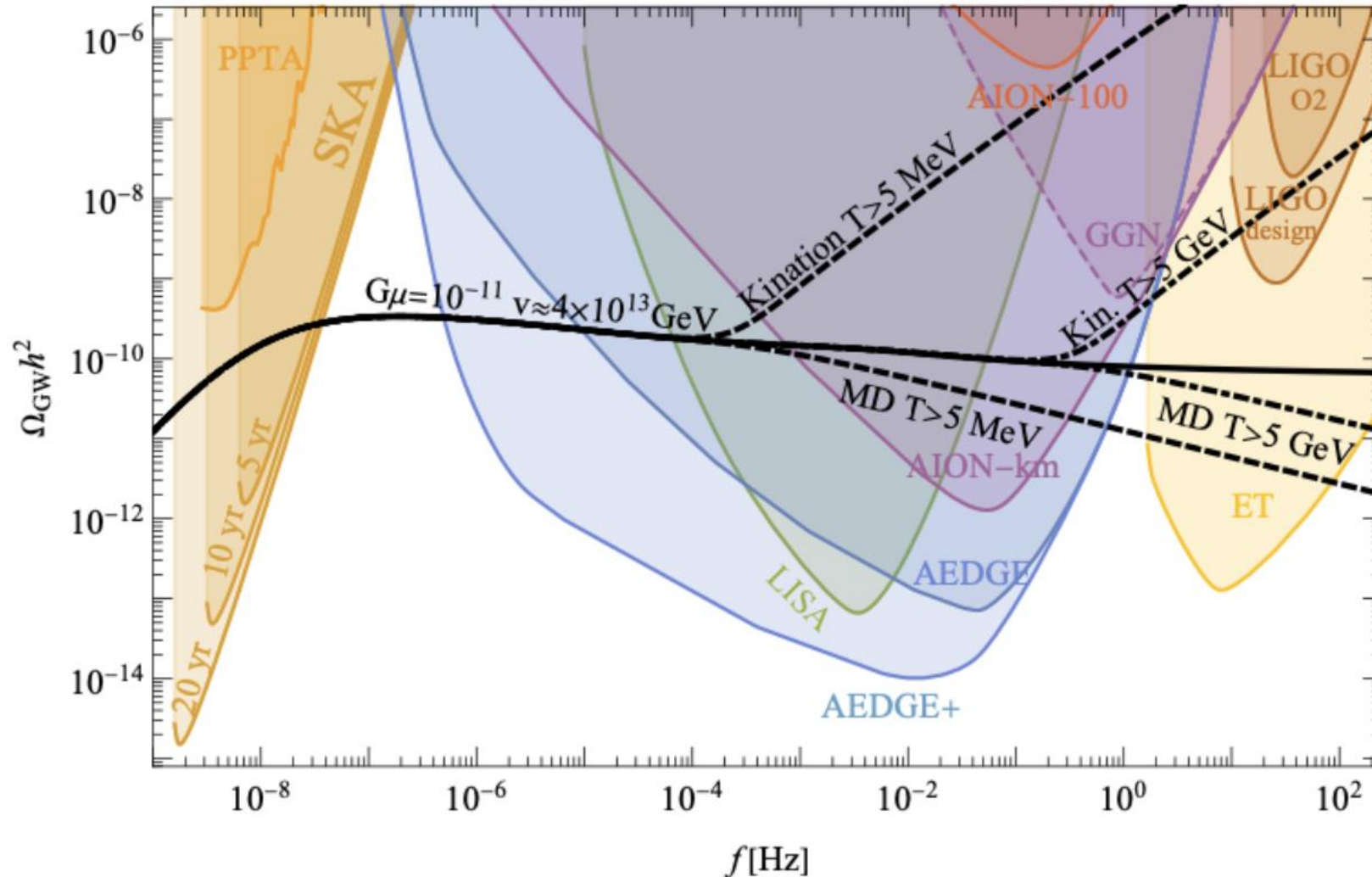
Translate Stain sensitivity into the dimensionless energy density of a GW

**Still a "gap" around 1Hz
Need to find a solution to fill it**

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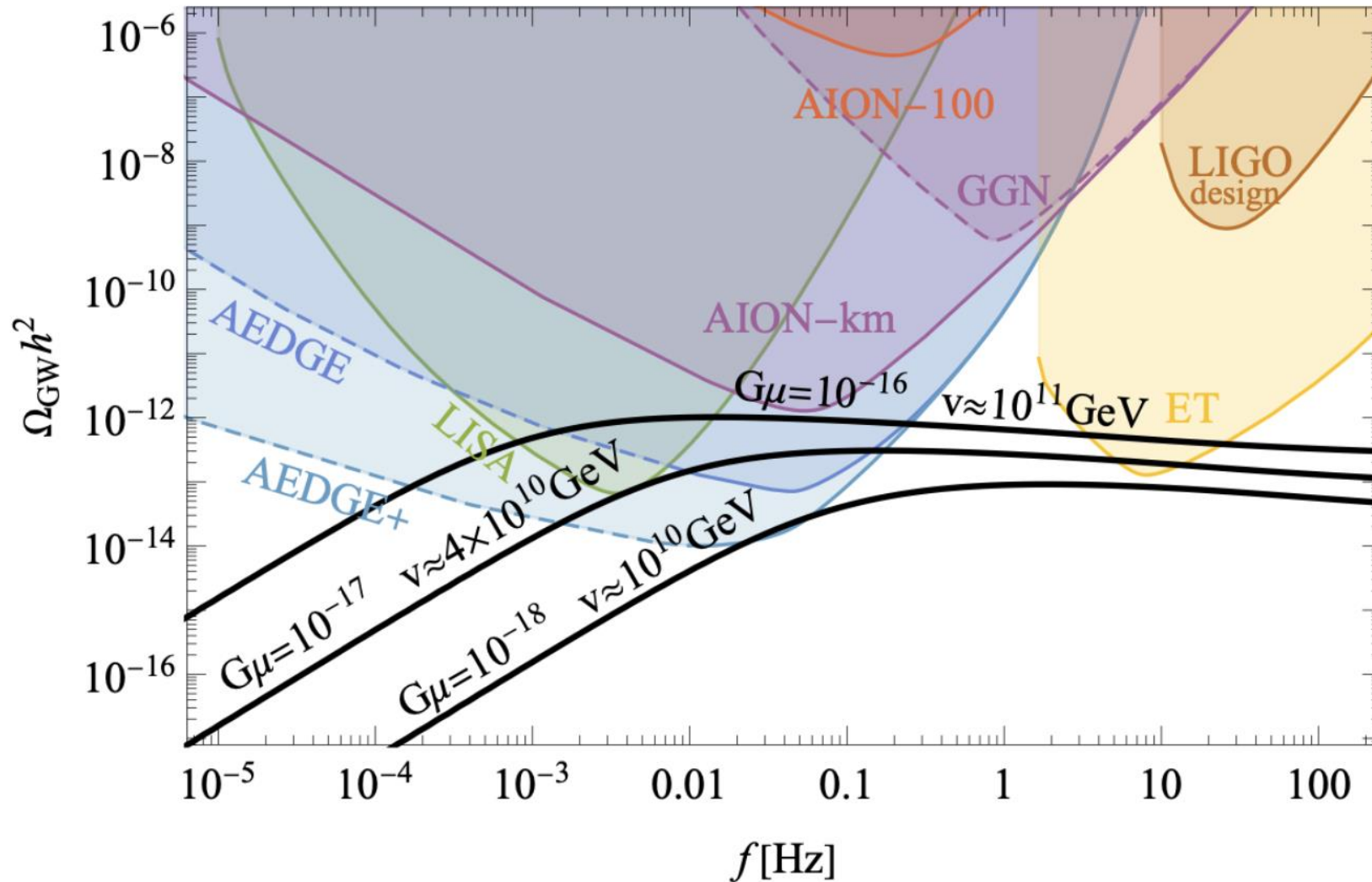
The GW Experimental Landscape: 2030ish





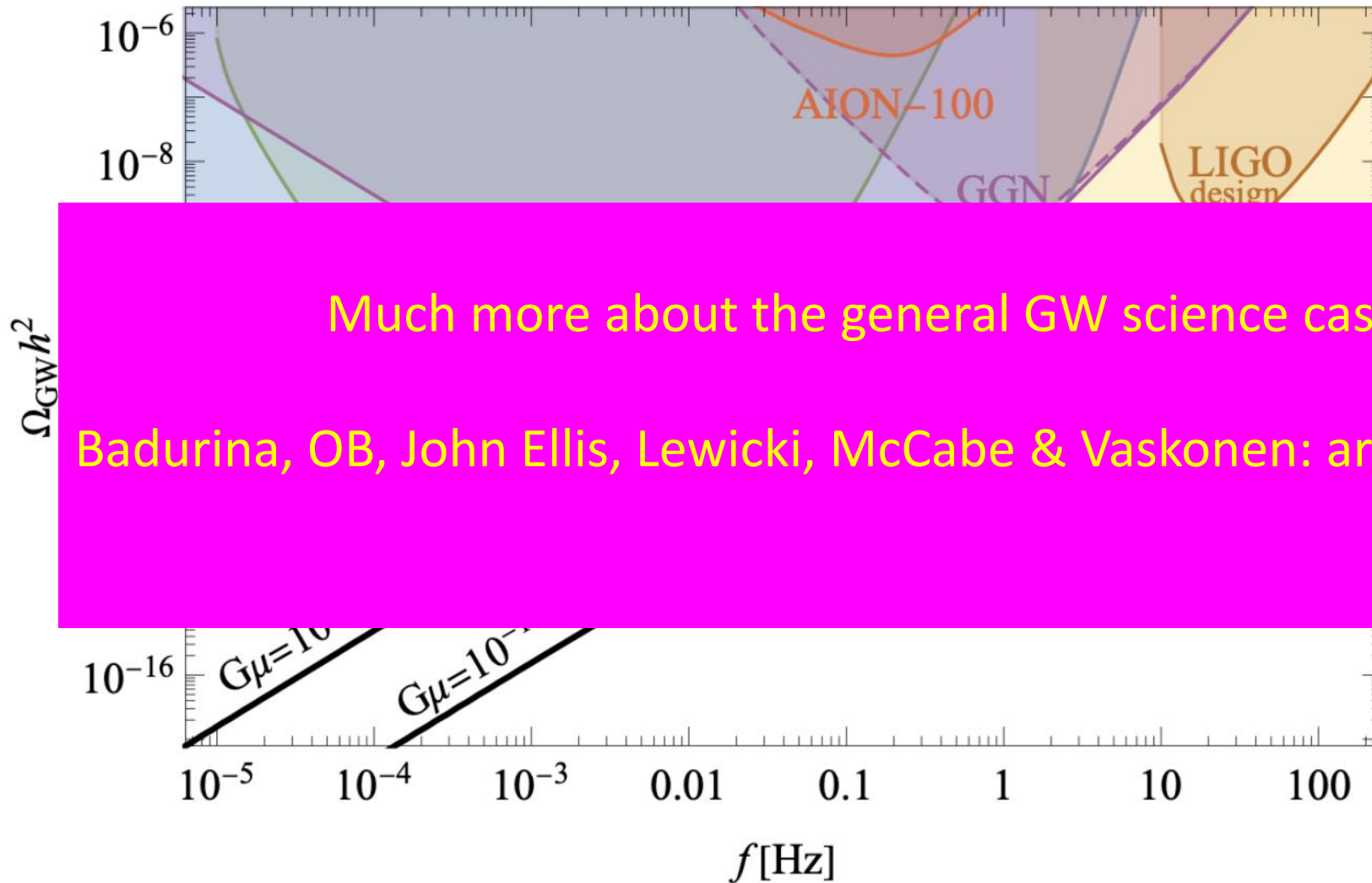
Comparison of the Ω sensitivities to PI spectra of AION-100, AION-km, AEDGE and AEDGE+, LIGO, ET, Pulsar Timing Arrays (PTAs) and SKA.

Sensitivities of cosmic string measurements to modifications of the cosmological expansion rate. Kination or matter dominance (MD) at temperatures $T > 5 \text{ MeV}$ or 5 GeV .



Different experiments sensitive to different values of cosmic string tension

Sensitivities to the cosmic strings with tension $G\mu$ of AION-100 and -km, AEDGE and AEDGE+, LIGO, ET and LISA.



Different experiments sensitive to different frequencies of cosmic strings

Much more about the general GW science case in:

Badurina, OB, John Ellis, Lewicki, McCabe & Vaskonen: arXiv:2108.02468

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Earth Observation Progress

Requirements & Objectives

Threshold requirements

Spatial resolution	Equivalent water height		Geoid	
	Monthly field	Long-term trend	Monthly field	Long-term trend
400 km	5 mm	0.5 mm/yr	50 μm	5 $\mu\text{m}/\text{yr}$
200 km	10 cm	1 cm/yr	0.5 mm	0.05 mm/yr
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Fundamental Physics Part

Tests of Weak Equivalence Principle (Universality of Free Fall)

Class	Elements	η	Year [ref]	Comments
Classical	Be - Ti	2×10^{-13}	2008 [200]	Torsion balance
	Pt - Ti	1×10^{-14}	2017 [179]	MICROSCOPE first results
	Pt - Ti	(10^{-15})	2019+	MICROSCOPE full data
Hybrid	^{133}Cs - CC	7×10^{-9}	2001 [204]	Atom Interferometry
	^{87}Rb - CC	7×10^{-9}	2010 [205]	and macroscopic corner cube
Quantum	^{39}K - ^{87}Rb	5×10^{-7}	2014 [206]	different elements
	^{87}Sr - ^{88}Sr	2×10^{-7}	2014 [207]	same element, fermion vs. boson
	^{85}Rb - ^{87}Rb	3×10^{-8}	2015 [208]	same element, different isotopes
	^{85}Rb - ^{87}Rb	3.8×10^{-12}	2020 [209]	≥ 10 m towers
	^{85}Rb - ^{87}Rb	(10^{-13})	2020+ [210]	
	^{170}Yb - ^{87}Rb	(10^{-13})	2020+ [211]	
Antimatter	^{41}K - ^{87}Rb	10^{-17}	2035+	STE-QUEST-like mission
	$\bar{\text{H}}$ - H	(10^{-2})	2020+ [212]	under construction at CERN