

Atomic, Molecular and Optical Physics Seminar

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Birefringence and Dichroism — From Gas-phase to Vacuum



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Q & A

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- Why
- What
- How
- When

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Motivation: Q(ED) & A(xion) experiment

(i) QED

(ii) (Pseudo)scalar-Photon Interaction

▣ Bottom Up Approach:

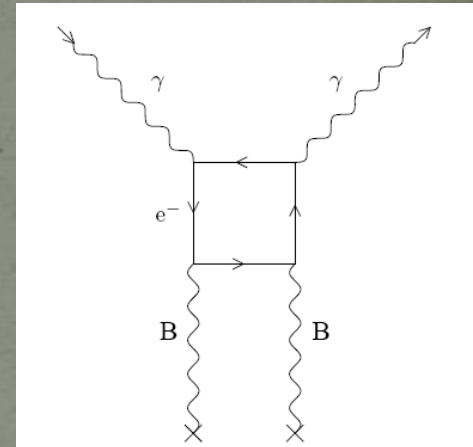
CP violation { Pecci & Quinn: *PRL* 38 1440 (1977)
Weinberg: *PRL* 40 233 (1978)
Wilczek: *PRL* 40 279 (1978)

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Dine *et al.*: *PLB* 104 1999 (1981)
Shifman *et al.*: *NPB* 166 493 (1980)

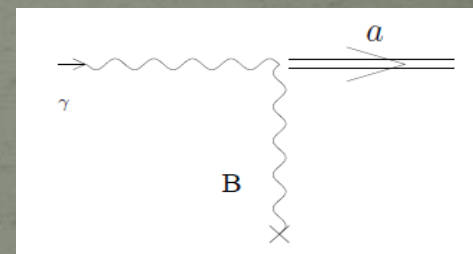
▣ Top Down Approach:
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▣ Phenomenological Study Approach

From analysis of Equivalence Principles (1973-1977)



Delbruck scattering



Primakoff effect

(Pseudo)scalar field: WEP & EEP in EM field

A NON-METRIC THEORY OF GRAVITY*

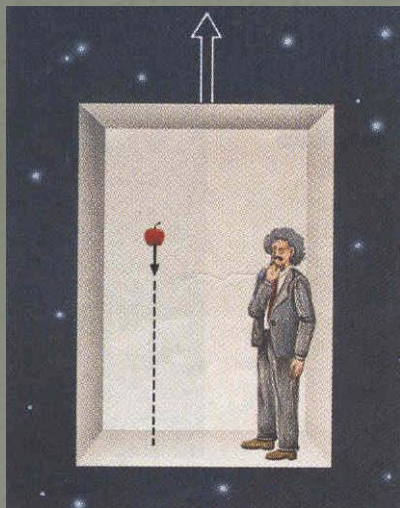
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Equivalence Principles and Electromagnetism*

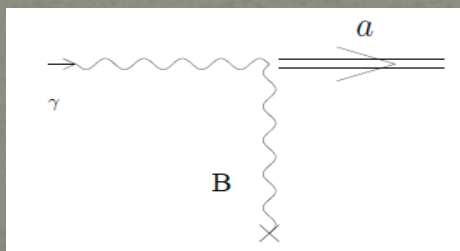
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(Received 16 June 1976)

The implications of the weak equivalence principles are investigated in detail for electromagnetic systems in a general framework. In particular, I show that the universality of free-fall trajectories {Galileo weak equivalence principle (WEP(I))} does *not* imply the validity of the Einstein equivalence principle (EEP). However, WEP(I) plus the universality of free-fall rotation states (WEP(II)) *does* imply EEP. To test WEP(II) and EEP, I suggest that Eötvös-type experiments on polarized bodies be performed.

Named as "Axion" after 1978



$$L_I = -(1/16\pi)\phi F_{ij}F_{kl}e^{ijkl}$$

$$F \equiv A_{j,i} - A_{i,j} \quad e^{0123} = 1$$

Modified Maxwell Equations $\rightarrow$ Polarization Rotation in EM Propagation

Constraints from CMB polarization observation $\rightarrow$ Ni: *Chin Phys Lett* 22 33 (2005)

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Axion / Axion-Like-Particles (ALPs)

pseudo-scalar $\phi^{(-)}$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}^{(-)} = -\frac{1}{4}g\phi^{(-)}F_{\mu\nu}\tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}$$

$$= g\phi^{(-)}(\vec{E} \cdot \vec{B})$$

$$\vec{E}_\gamma \cdot \vec{B} \neq 0$$

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$$L = \frac{1}{M}(\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}_{\text{ext}})a$$

scalar $\phi^{(+)}$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}^{(+)} = -\frac{1}{4}g\phi^{(+)}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}g\phi^{(+)}(\vec{E}^2 - \vec{B}^2)$$

$$L = \frac{1}{2M_s}(\mathbf{E}^2 - \mathbf{B}^2)\phi_s$$

$$L = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu a \partial^\mu a - m_a^2 a^2)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{4M}F_{\mu\nu}\tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}a$$

$$F_{\mu\nu} = F_{\mu\nu}^{\text{ext}} + \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$$

$$(\square + m_a^2)a - \frac{1}{M}\dot{\mathbf{A}} \cdot \mathbf{B}_{\text{ext}} = 0,$$

$$\square \mathbf{A} + \frac{1}{M}\dot{a}\mathbf{B}_{\text{ext}} = 0,$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = 0 \quad A^0 = 0 \quad \text{transverse}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \omega^2 + \partial_z^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \omega^2 + \partial_z^2 & -iB_{\text{ext}}\omega/M \\ 0 & +iB_{\text{ext}}\omega/M & \omega^2 + \partial_z^2 - m^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_o \\ A_p \\ a \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

Dichroism

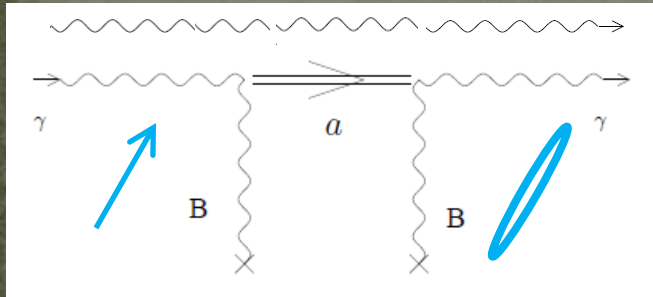
$$\epsilon = \left[\frac{B_{\text{ext}}^2 \omega^2}{M^2 m_a^4} \right] \sin^2 \left[\frac{m_a^2 l}{4\omega} \right] \approx \frac{B_{\text{ext}}^2 l^2}{16M^2}$$

$$m_a^2 < 2\pi\omega/l$$

Birefringence

$$\psi = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{B_{\text{ext}}^2 \omega^2}{M^2 m_a^4} \right] \left[\frac{m_a^2 l}{2\omega} - \sin \left[\frac{m_a^2 l}{2\omega} \right] \right] \approx \frac{(B_{\text{ext}} m_a)^2 l^3}{96\omega M^2}$$

ALPs: Birefringence vs Dichroism



$$\Delta n \equiv n_{\parallel} - n_{\perp}$$

Birefringence

$$\delta = 2\pi \frac{L}{\lambda} \Delta n$$

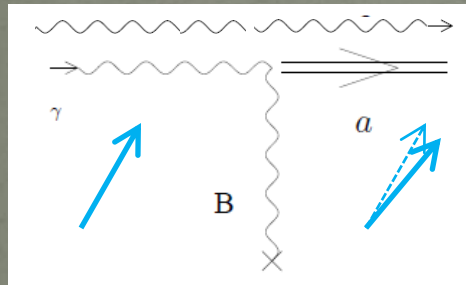
Phase retardation

$$\frac{\delta}{2} \sin 2\theta = \psi_0 \sin 2\theta$$

Ellipticity $\psi = b/a$

ALPs:

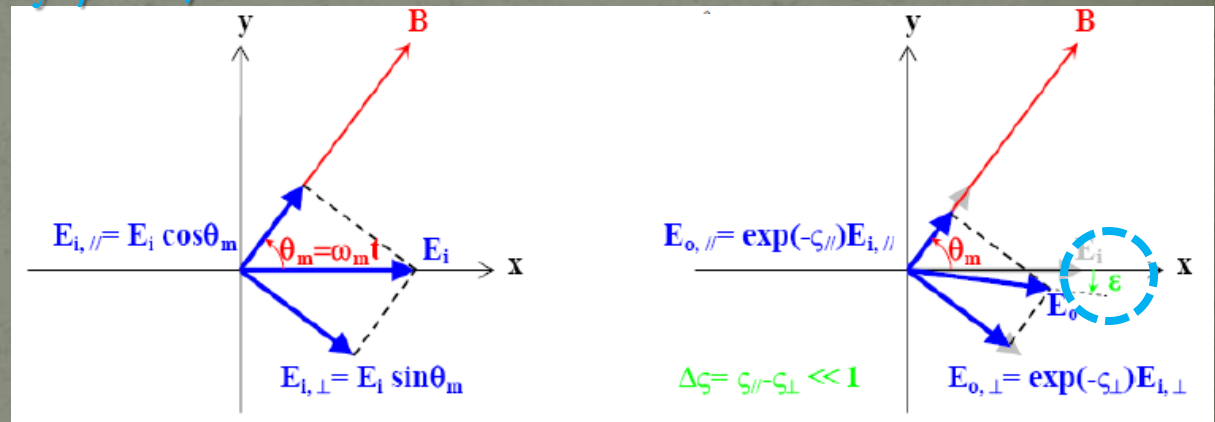
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Dichroism

$$\varepsilon \cong \tan \varepsilon = \frac{\Delta \zeta}{2} \sin 2\theta_m \quad \theta = \omega_m t$$

Polarization Rotation ε



ALPs:

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$$m_a^2 < 2\pi \omega / l$$

Constraining

m_a : mass of a/ϕ

$M (=g_{a\gamma\gamma}^{-1})$: coupling scale

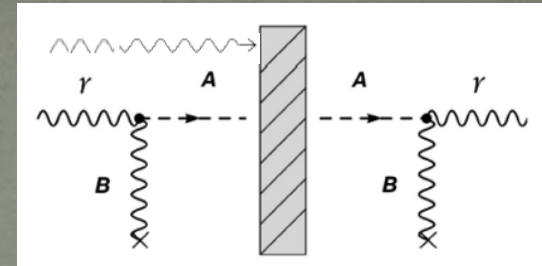


2007 **ALPs** & **MCPs** results from dichroism

$T_{\text{int}} = 18.9 \text{ hr}$ ↓

ALP search comp. in 2007

Experiment	BFRT ($\lambda: 514 \text{ nm}$)	PVLAS ($\lambda: 1,064 \text{ nm}$)	Q & A ($\lambda: 1,064 \text{ nm}$)
Magnetic field B (T)	2.63–3.87	5	2.3
Magnetic region length L (m)	8.8	1	0.6
Effective number N of reflections	254	44,000	18,700
Effective NB^2L^2 (T^2m^2)	78,700	1,100,000	29,900
Measured dichroism (nrad)	0.35 ± 0.30 (2σ)	172 ± 22 (3σ)	-0.4 ± 5.3 (1σ)
Derived vacuum dichroism ($10^{-14} \text{ rad T}^{-2}\text{m}^{-2}$)	0.45 ± 0.38	15.6 ± 2.0	-1 ± 18
Pseudoscalar mass m_φ (meV)	for $m_\varphi < 0.8$	1–1.5	for $m_\varphi < 1.7$
Coupling energy scale M (10^6 GeV)	> 2.8	0.2–0.6	> 0.6



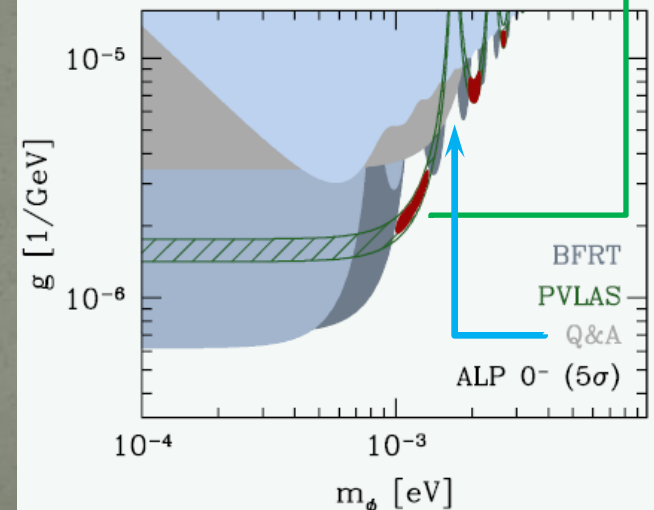
LSW: Light Shining through a Wall

PVLAS excluded their earlier result in 2008:
 6.5 ± 10 (2σ) @ 2.3 T
 9.1 ± 12 (2σ) @ 5 T Phys. Rev. **D77** 032006 (2008)

MCP search comp. in 2007

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Derived vacuum dichroism ($\text{rad T}^{-2/3}\text{m}^{-1}$)	$(1.3 \pm 1.1) \times 10^{-13}$	$(13.9 \pm 1.8) \times 10^{-13}$	$(-0.2 \pm 2.8) \times 10^{-13}$
Millifermion charge ratio ϵ (10^{-7})	$3.5 (+1.0, -2.3)$	8.5 ± 0.4	$0 (+4.6, -0)$

Axion-like particle (ALP) interpretation:



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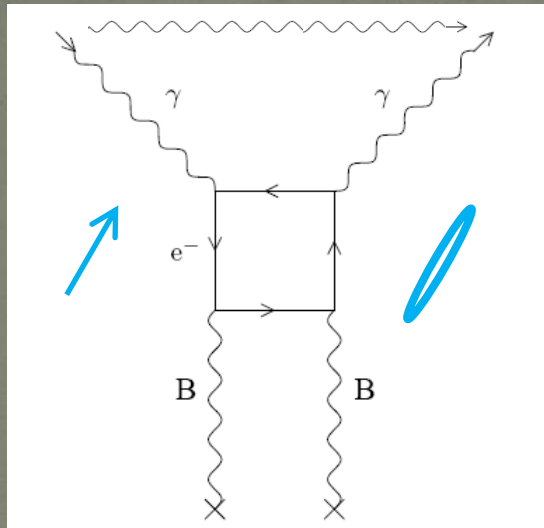
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Laser experiments: History & Presence

Experiment	Reference	$\Delta\theta$	ψ	LSW
ALPS (DESY/D) "Axion-Like Particle Search"	arXiv:0905.4159	✗	✗	✓
BFRT (BNL-Fermilab-Rochester-Trieste)	Phys.Rev.D47(1993)	✓	✓	✓
BMV (LULI/F) "Biréfringence Magnétique du Vide"	Phys.Rev.Lett.99 (2007) Phys.Rev.D78 (2009)	✗	✗	✓
GammeV (Fermilab/USA) "Gamma to meV particle search"	Phys.Rev.Lett.100 (2008) Phys.Rev.Lett.102 (2009)	✗	✗	✓
LIPSS (Jefferson Lab/USA) "Light Pseudoscalar or Scalar particle Search"	Phys.Rev.Lett.101 (2008) arXiv:0810.4189	✗	✗	✓
OSQAR (CERN/CH) "Optical Search for QED vacuum magnetic birefringence, Axions and photon Regeneration"	Phys.Rev.D78 (2008)	✗	✗	✓
PVLAS (INFN/I) "Polarizzazione del Vuoto con LASer"	Phys.Rev.Lett.96 (2006) Erratum-ibid.99 (2007) Phys.Rev.D77 (2008)	✓	✓	(✓)
Q&A (Hsinchu/Taiwan) "QED & Axion"	Mod.Phys.A22 (2007)	✓	✗	✗

Probing QED effect

QED vs Gaseous CME (Cotton-Mouton Effect)



Euler & Heisenberg (1936):

$$L_{eff} = \frac{2\alpha^2}{45(4\pi)^2 m_e^4} [(E^2 - B^2) + 7(E \cdot B)^2]$$

$$\Delta n_{QED} = \frac{\alpha}{30\pi B_c^2} B_{ext}^2$$

$$B_c = \frac{m_e^2 c^2}{e\hbar} = 4.42 \times 10^9 \text{ T}$$

$$\Delta n_{QED} \ll 1; \quad \Delta n_{QED} \propto B_{ext}^2$$

$$\Delta n_{QED,u} = \Delta n_{QED} |_{B=1\text{T}} \simeq 4 \times 10^{-24}$$

Cotton & Mouton (1905); Buckingham & Pople (1967):

$$U(\tau, E, B) = U_0 - \mu_p^e E_p - \frac{1}{2} \alpha_{pq} E_p E_q - \frac{1}{2} \chi_{pq} B_p B_q \\ - \frac{1}{2} \xi_{pq,r} E_p B_q B_r - \frac{1}{4} \eta_{pq,rs} E_p E_q B_r B_s + O[(E, B)^3]$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial E^2} \Rightarrow n^2 \approx \varepsilon = 1 + 4\pi \frac{N_A}{(4\pi\varepsilon_0)V_m} \left(\alpha_{pi} + \frac{1}{2} \eta_{pq,rs} B_r B_s + \dots \right)$$

$$\Delta n = \frac{\pi B^2 P}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \left(\frac{\Delta\eta}{kT} + \frac{2}{15(kT)^2} \Delta\alpha\Delta\chi \right) \quad \psi = \Delta n_u \left(\frac{2F}{\lambda} \right) \left[\int_{L_B} \left(\frac{B_T(L)}{1\text{T}} \right)^2 dL \right] \left(\frac{P_{gas}}{P_{atm}} \right)$$

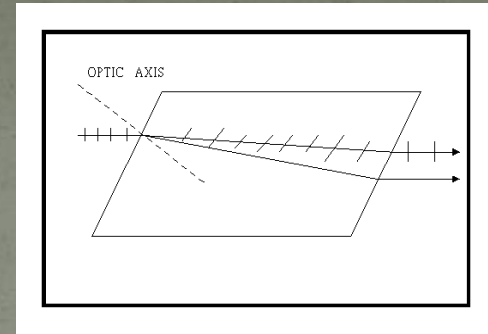
$$\Delta n_u = -2.66 \times 10^{-13}$$

Normalized CME
birefringence of N₂
(under 1 atm & 1 T)

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$$P \sim 10^{-9} \text{ torr}$$

Historical Review of CME



- A. Cotton & H. Mouton: first discover/separate this effect from axial Faraday rotation in 1905.
 - **Faraday**: $B//k$, linear ($\propto BL$); **CME**: $B \perp k$, nonlinear ($\propto B^2L$).
- Analogy: **Kerr** birefringence under transverse **E** ($\propto E^2L$).
- Voigt: treated as interactions between electrons & **B** in 1908.
- Born: Introduced the **magnetic hyper-polarizability** or **2nd order susceptibility** to explain the source of CME in 1933.
- Buckingham & Pople: developed the fundamental model for CME in 1956, and systematically and quantitatively measured CME over 40 gases in 1967.
- C. Rizzo, A. Rizzo, D. M. Bishop: Reviewed and Summarized all theoretical models with measurements before 1997.

2009 CME measurement at 1064 nm

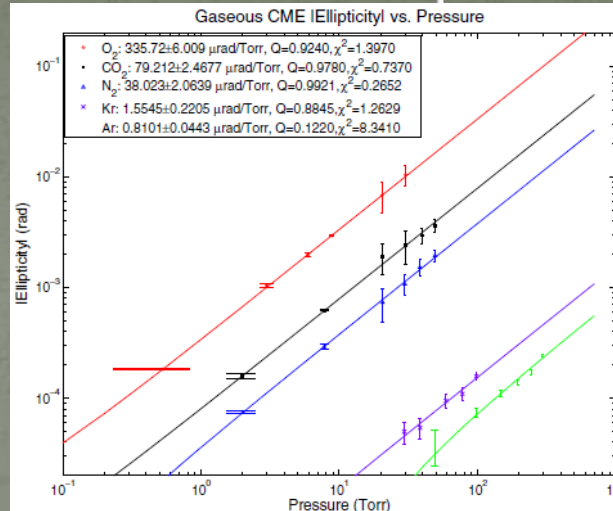
Gas Normalized Cotton-Mouton birefringence
 Δn_u at P = 1 atm and B = 1 T

N ₂	$(-2.02 \pm 0.16^{\S} \pm 0.08^{\P}) \times 10^{-13}$	New ←
O ₂	$(-1.79 \pm 0.34^{\S} \pm 0.08^{\P}) \times 10^{-12}$	
CO ₂	$(-4.22 \pm 0.27^{\S} \pm 0.16^{\P}) \times 10^{-13}$	
Ar	$(4.31 \pm 0.34^{\S} \pm 0.17^{\P}) \times 10^{-15}$	
Kr	$(8.28 \pm 1.26^{\S} \pm 0.32^{\P}) \times 10^{-15}$	

$\S$: Statistical uncertainty

$\P$: Systematic uncertainty

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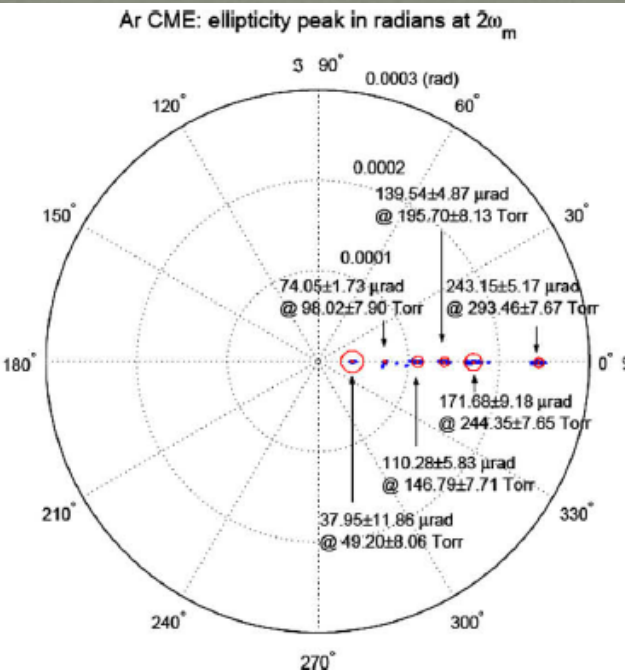
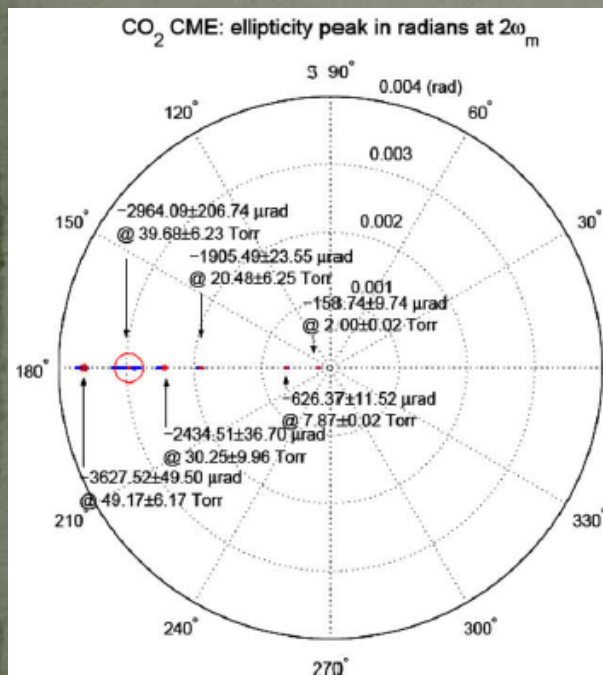


B: 2.3 T

P: 0.5 – 300 Torr

T: 295 – 298 K

Systematic uncertainty:
less than 3.86%.



Statistical uncertainty:
limited by pressure
gauge readings at the
10 – 100 Torr range.

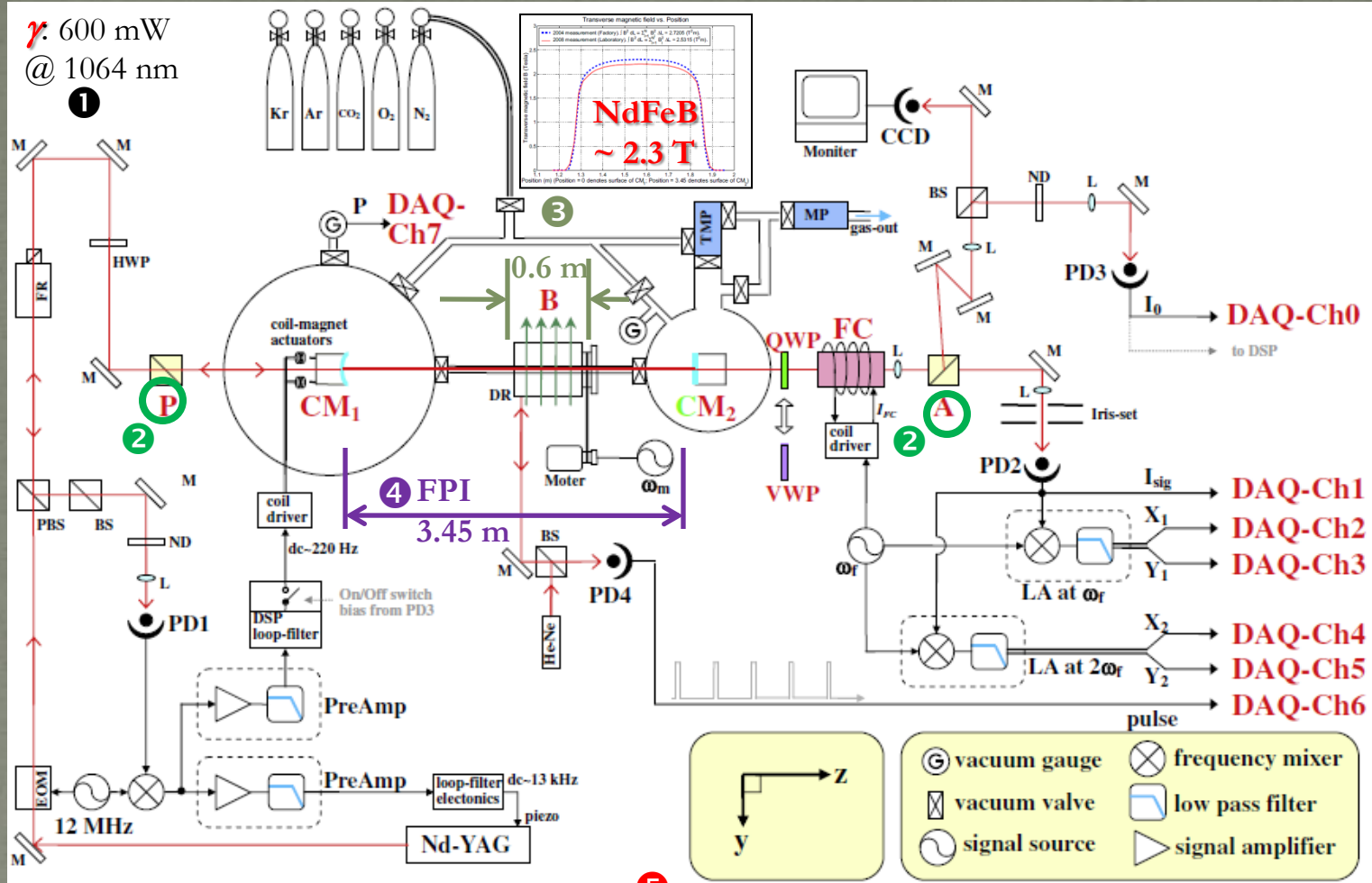
In agreement with the
PVLAS results within 1.2 σ .

M. Bregant et al., Chem. Phys. Lett. 392 (2004) 276.
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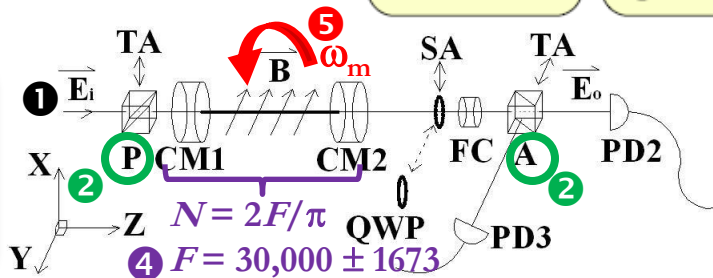
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Apparatus for vacuum/CME Lock-in detection



$$\sigma^2 \equiv \frac{\min(I_{out})}{I_{in}} \cong (5.2 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-10}$$

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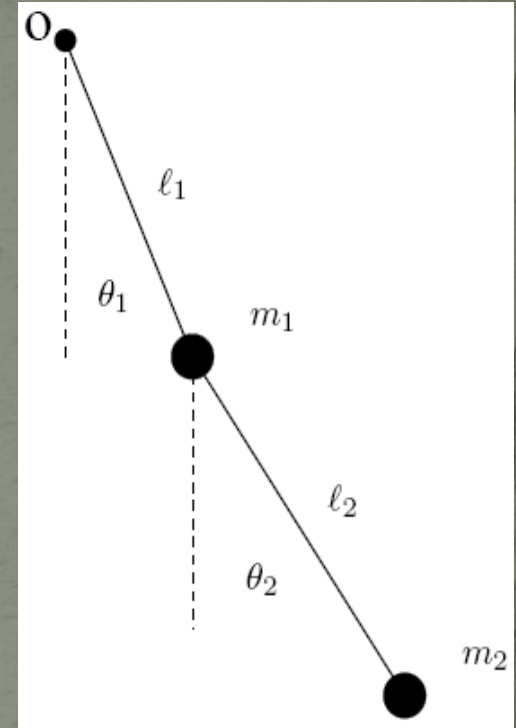
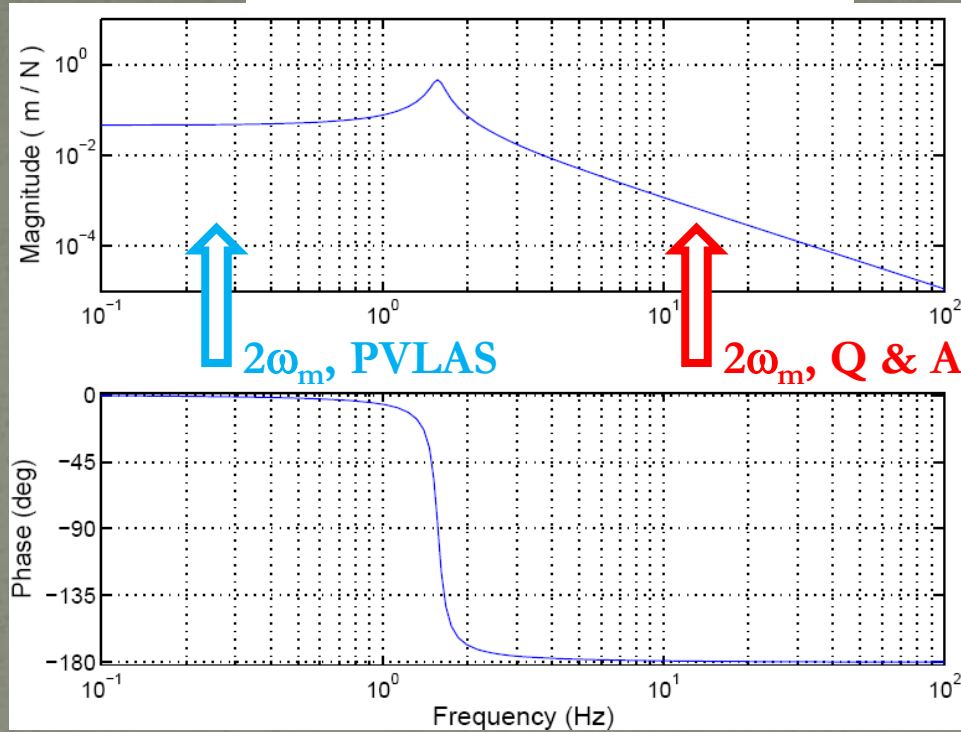
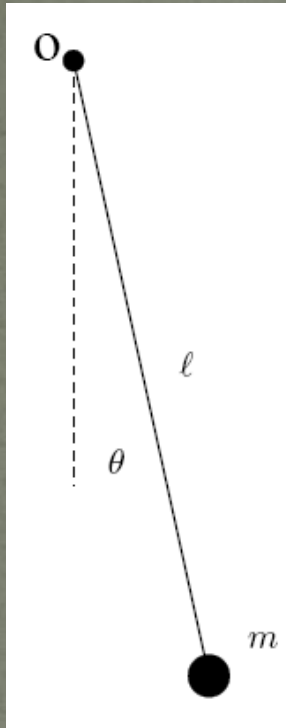


⑤ $N\varepsilon(/ N\psi)$: signal @ $2\omega_m$

optical signal?
seismic vibration?

⑤ Seismic Noise Isolation: Suspension of FPI

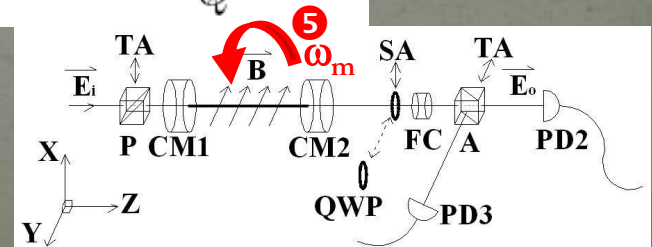
$$\leftarrow \omega_0 \sim (g/l)^{1/2} \quad \omega \rightarrow$$



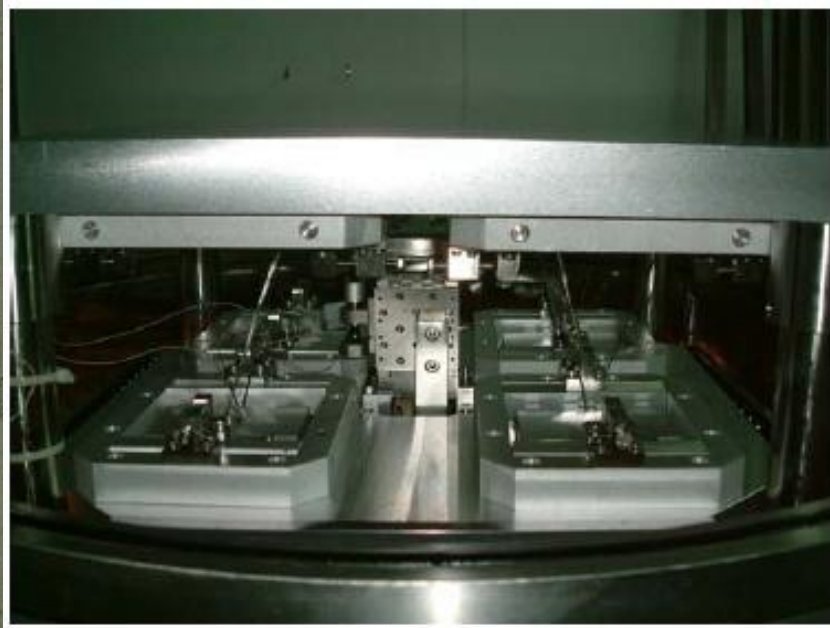
$$\frac{X(\omega)}{X_0(\omega)} = \frac{\omega_0^2}{-\omega^2 - i\frac{b}{m}\omega + \omega_0^2}$$

$$\frac{X(s)}{F(s)} = \frac{\frac{1}{m}}{s^2 + \frac{b}{m}s + \frac{g}{l}} = \frac{\frac{1}{m}}{s^2 + s\frac{\omega_n}{Q} + \omega_n^2}$$

Ground Based GW Observatory



⑤ Q & A Suspension of FPI cavity mirrors



X-pendulum (Cross-wired-pendulum):

Designed by TAMA Collaboration

Simulate simple pendulum with long wire

Resonance: **0.24 Hz** & **0.29 Hz**

Displacement: 80 μm (no damping)

→ 3 μm (eddy current) ≈ 6 FSR

Isolation ratio (by X-pendulum): 27 & 72

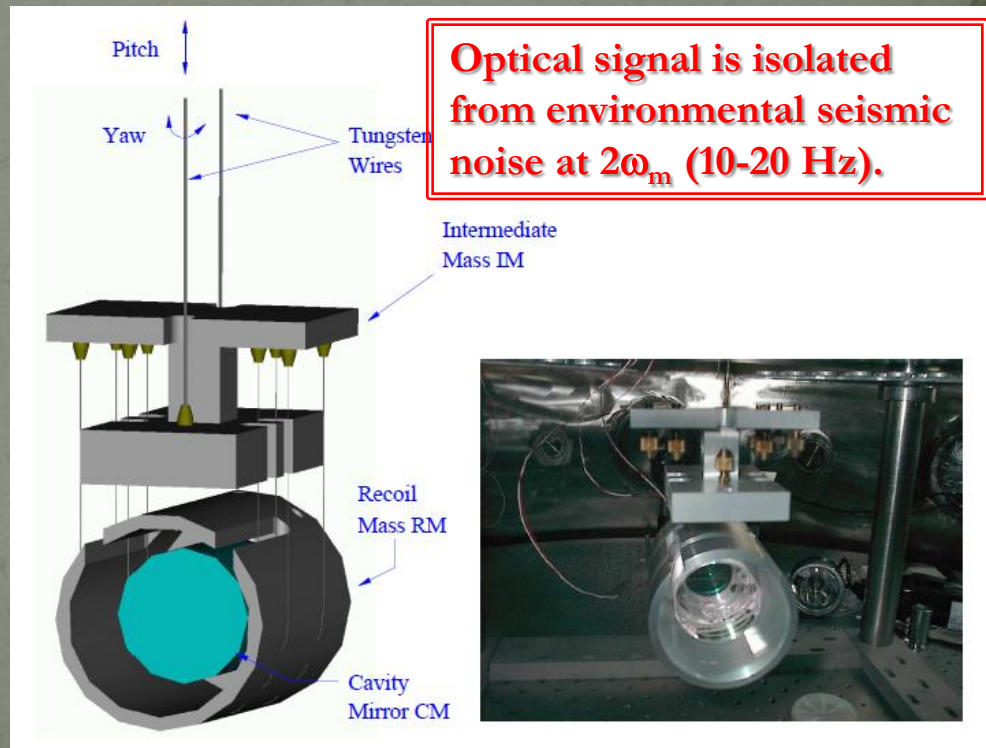
Double pendulum:

Upper layer: Intermediate mass (IM)

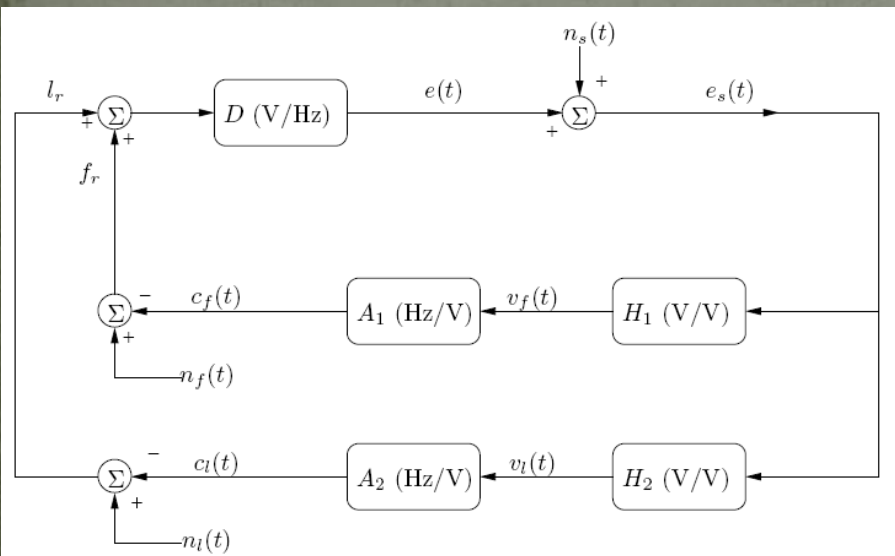
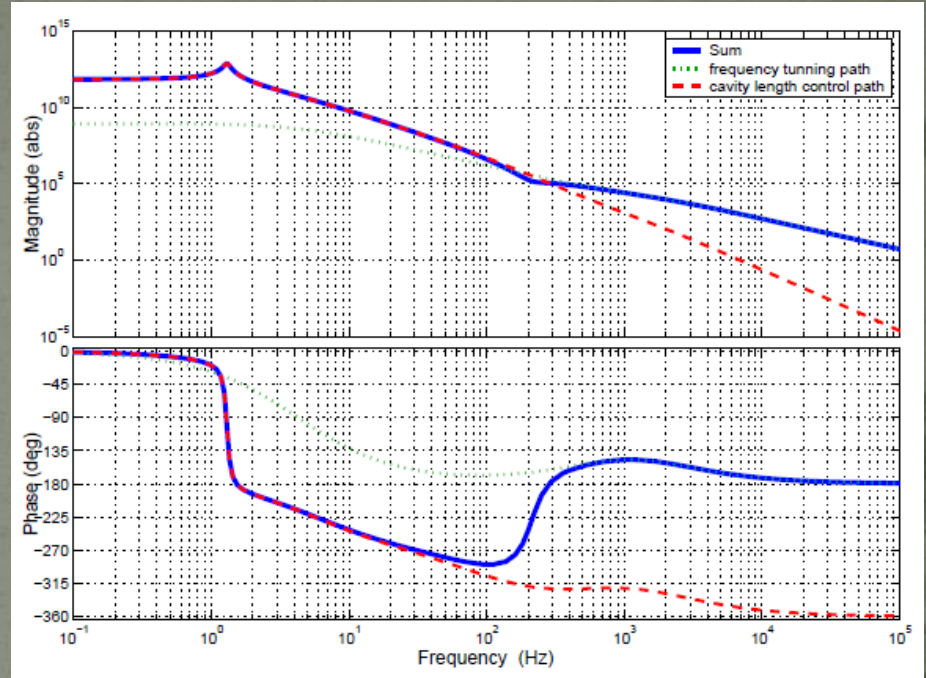
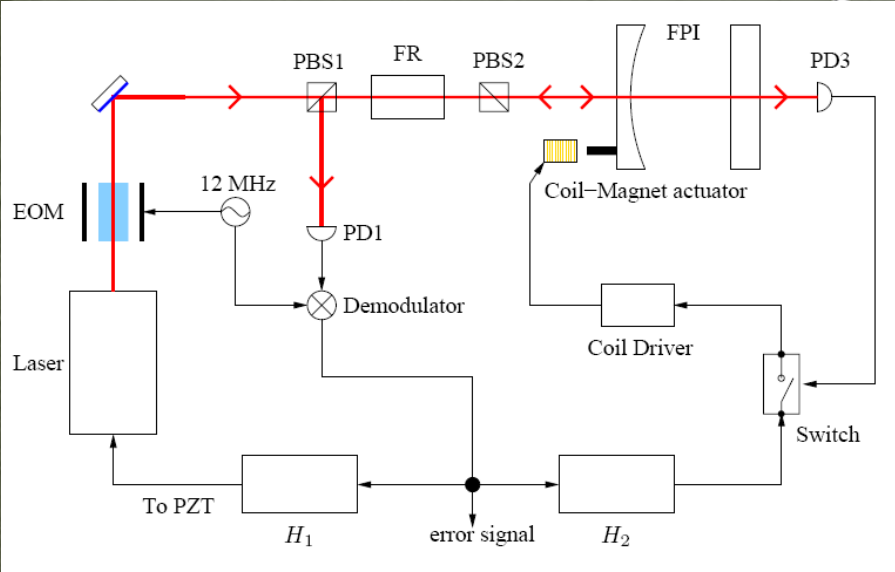
Bottom layer: Cavity mirror (CM), Recoil mass (RM)

Main Resonance: **1.53 Hz** & **4 Hz**

Pound-Drever-Hall locking of FPI cavity-length



5 PDH Control loop



Laser frequency H_1A_1 :

Dynamic range ± 200 MHz

Control band width 13 kHz

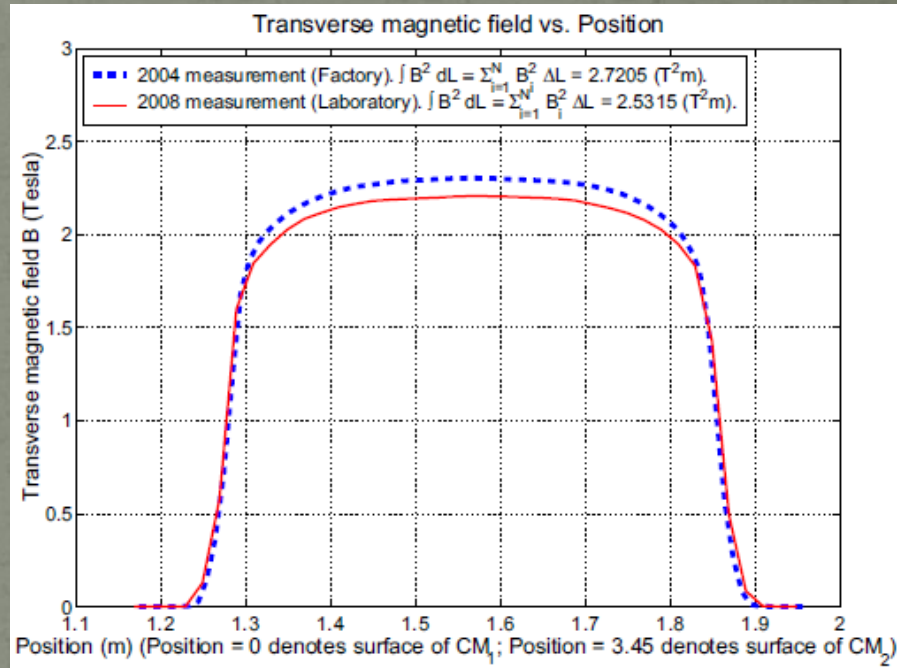
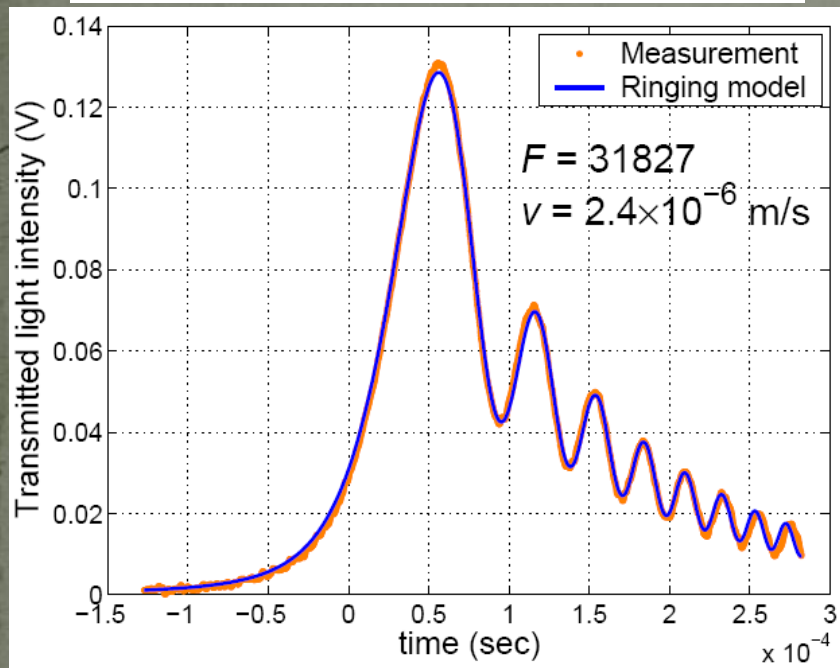
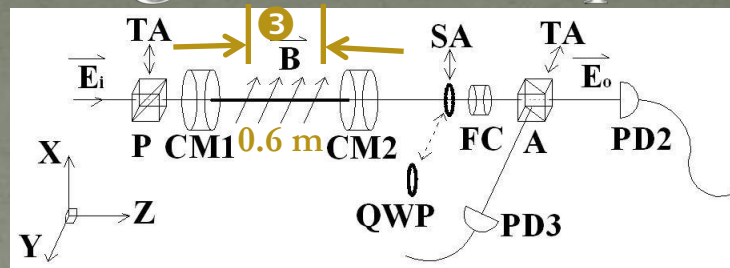
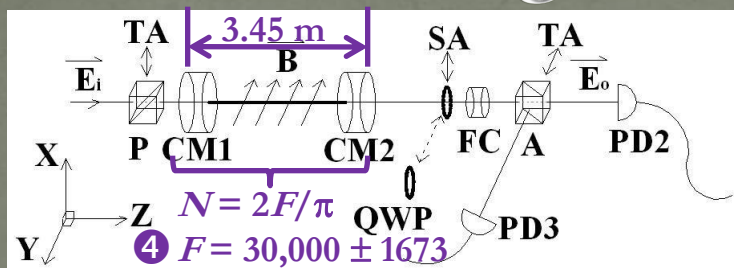
FPI cavity length H_2A_2 :

Dynamic range ± 1 mm

Control band width 220 Hz

Best performance: $H_1 A_1 \gg H_2 A_2$

④ Finesse fitting of FPI/ ③ Magnetic field profile



$$I_t(t) = \frac{I_i T^2 FSR}{4 R^2 \Omega} \exp \left[-\frac{\pi}{F} - 2 \frac{FSR \Phi(t)}{\Omega F} \right] |\text{erfc}[\Gamma(t)]|^2$$

$$\Phi(t) = 2\pi L(t)/\lambda, \quad \Omega = 2v/\lambda, \quad FSR = c/2L_0,$$

$$\Gamma(t) = \frac{1-i}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{FSR}{\pi\Omega} \right)^{1/2} \frac{\pi}{F} - \frac{1+i}{2\sqrt{2}} \left[\left(\frac{FSR}{\pi\Omega} \right)^{1/2} 2\Phi(t) - \left(\frac{FSR}{\pi\Omega} \right)^{1/2} \right]$$

B_T (T)	≥ 2.0
$\frac{B_A}{B_T}$	$\leq 0.1\%$
Leakage of B_T or B_A	
at 10 mm away from magnet (T)	$\leq 10^{-4}$
Length L (mm)	600
Height H (mm)	1100
Axial free diameter ϕ (mm)	25.4
Rotating Speed (rev/s)	0-10

② Ellipsometry & σ^2

$$\sigma^2 \equiv \frac{\min(I_{out})}{I_{in}}$$

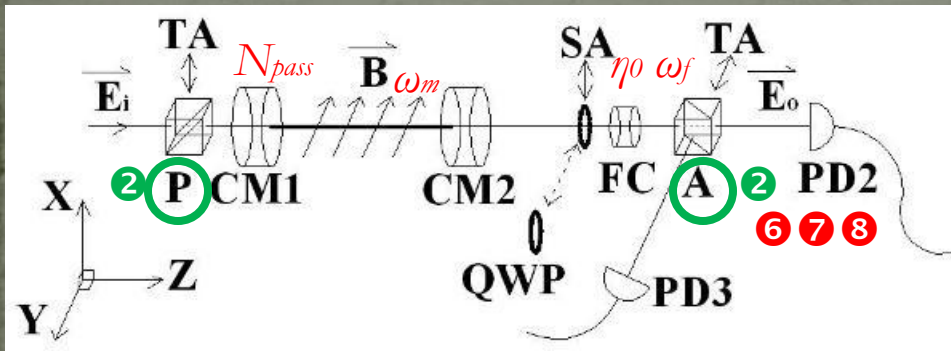
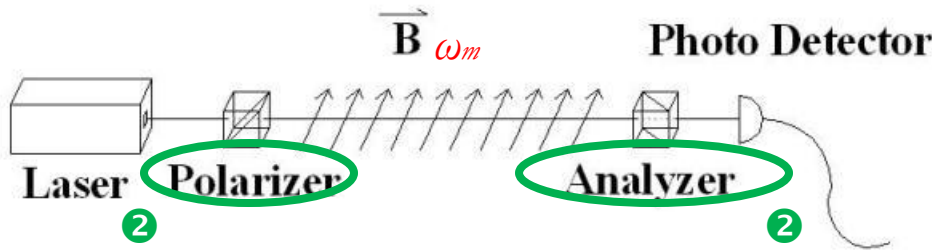
Malus Law:

$$\sigma^2 + \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^2$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^2 \sin 2\omega_m t$$

$$I_{out} = I_{in} (\sigma^2 + \alpha^2)$$

$$\varepsilon \geq \sqrt{2\sigma^2}$$



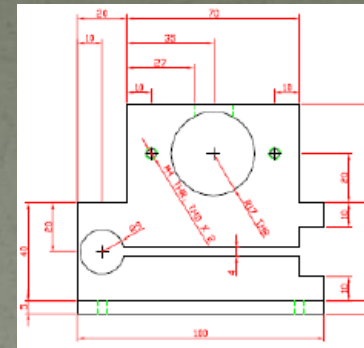
$$I_{out} = I_{in} (\sigma^2 + \alpha^2)$$

$$\sigma^2 + \frac{1}{2}\eta_0^2$$

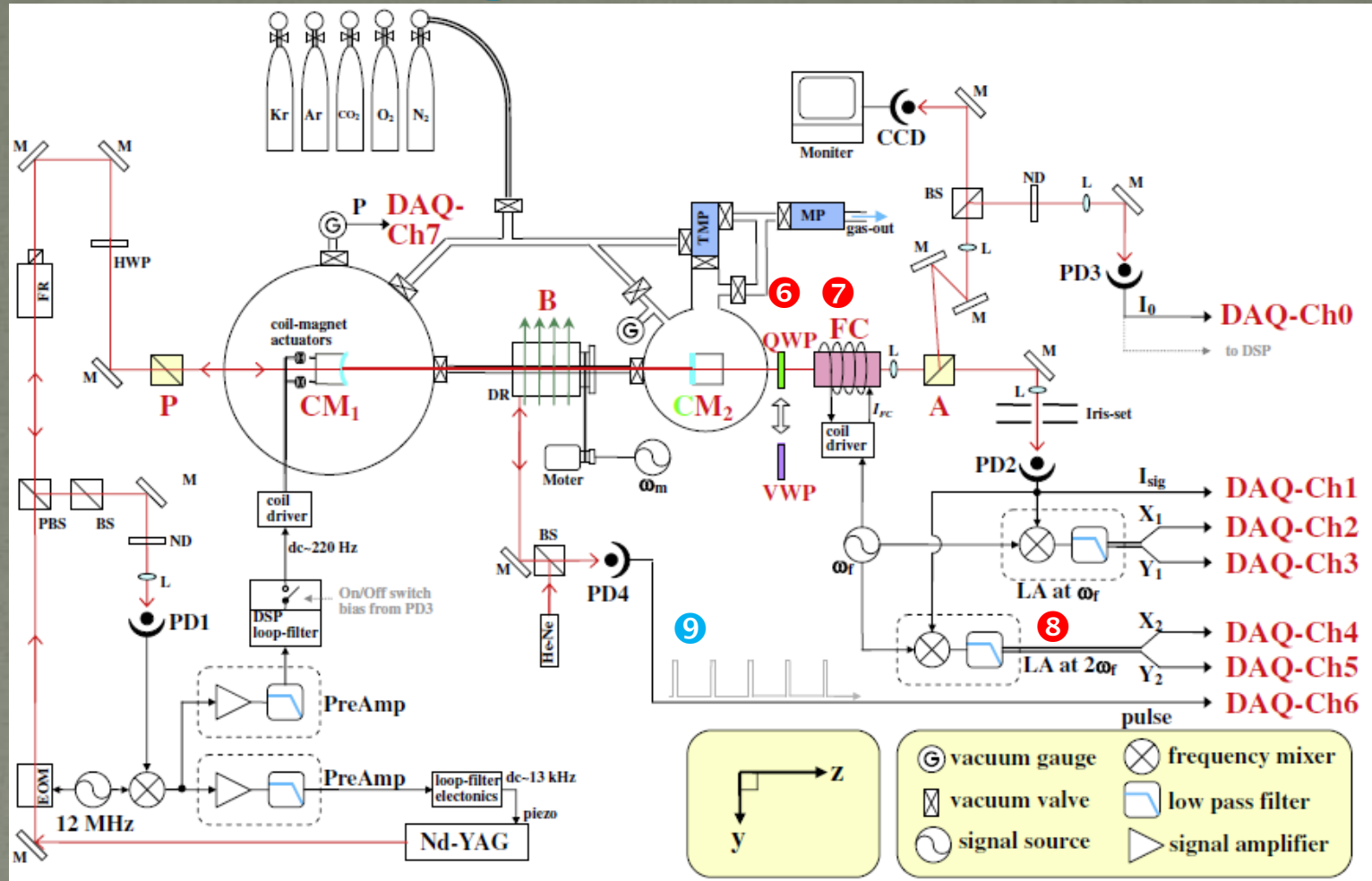
$$\frac{1}{2}\eta_0 N_{pass} \varepsilon \cdot \sin(\omega_f \pm 2\omega_m) t$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2}\eta_0^2 \cdot \sin 2\omega_f t \quad \text{⑥ ⑦ ⑧}$$

$$\varepsilon \geq \frac{\eta_0}{N_{pass}} \cdot \frac{1}{N_{Lock-in-Amp}}$$



Detection & Integration considerations



⑥ Signal transformation

QWP(birefringent)/VWP(dichroic)

⑦ Double modulation ($\eta_0 \approx 1$ mrad)

FC (Faraday Cell) @ $\omega_f (= 2\pi \times 390 \text{ Hz})$

Optical signal @ $\omega_f \pm 2\omega_m$

⑧ Lock-in detection

LA₁ (/LA₂) demodulating @ ω_f (/ $2\omega_f$)

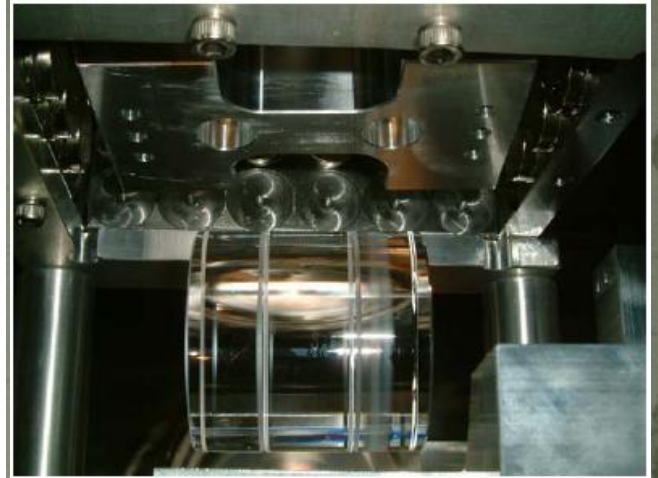
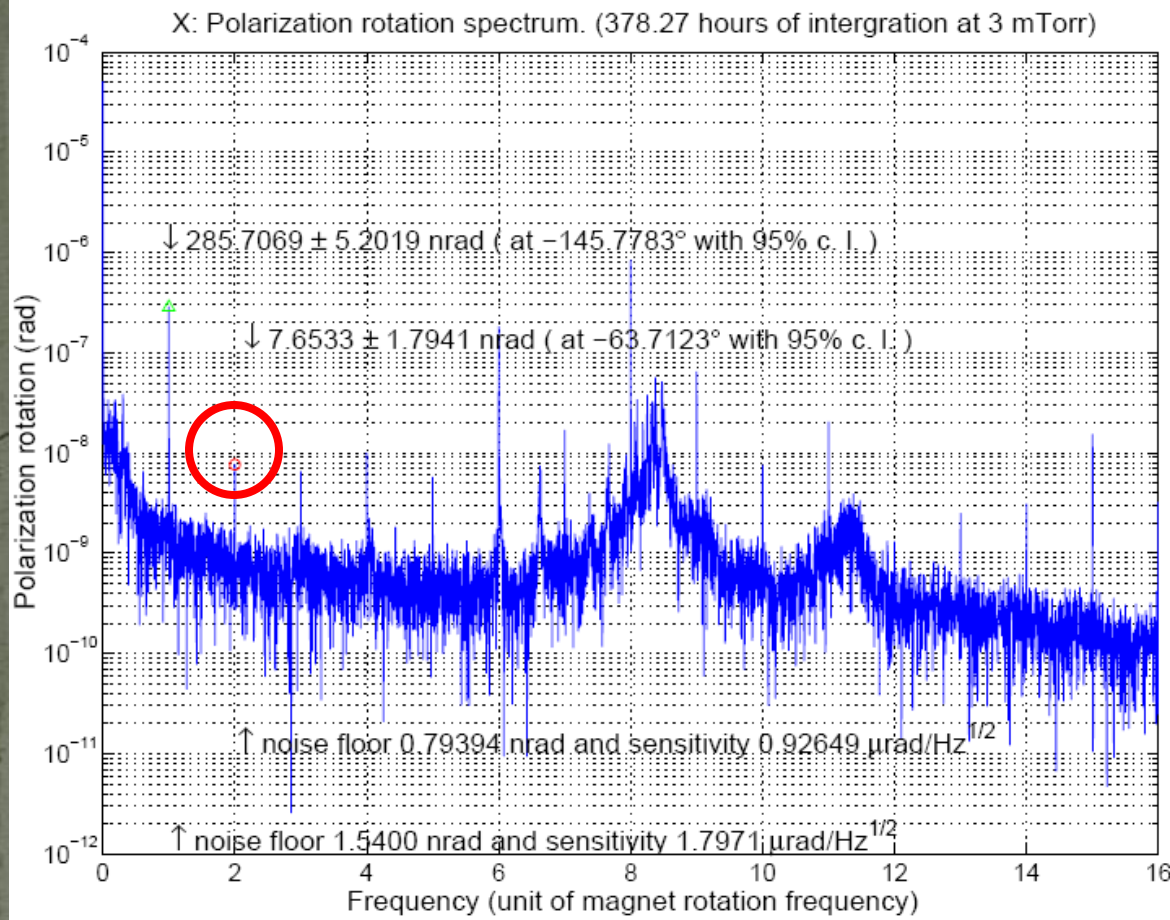
Optical signal recovered @ $2\omega_m$

⑨ Data Resampling via Interpolation w. r. t. ω_m

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378.3 hr Polarization Rotation Integration @ 3 mTorr



Stray field contamination at CMs



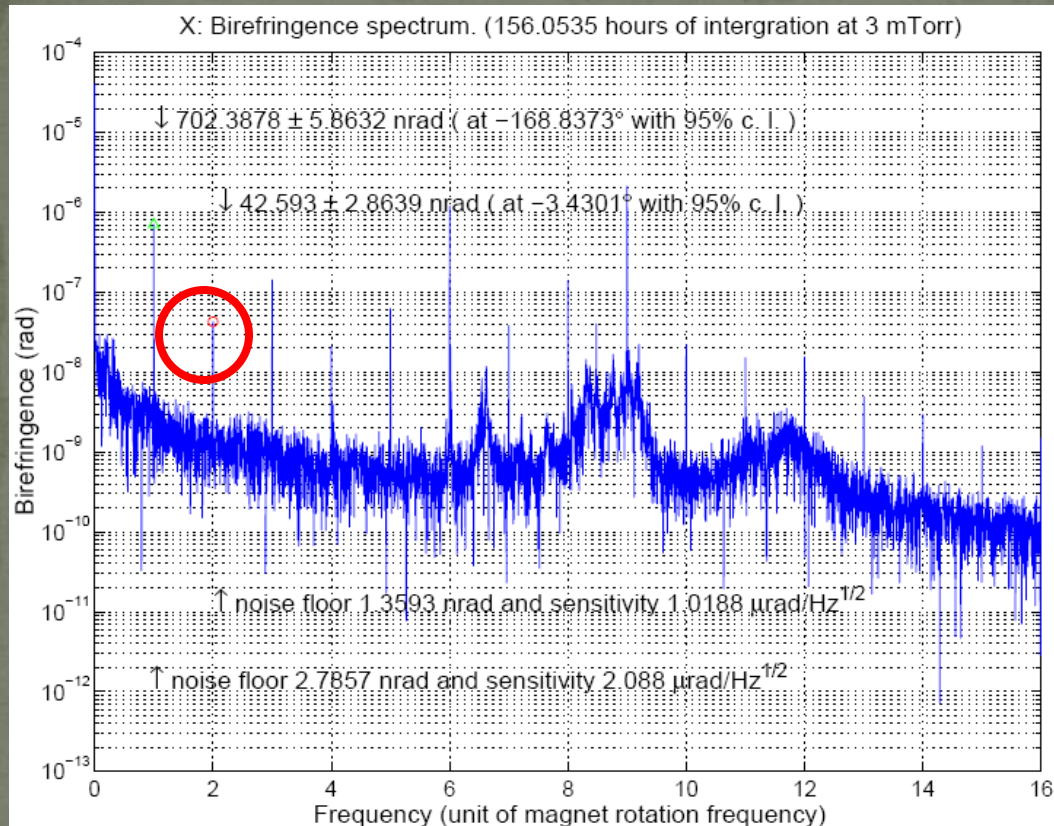
Improved by IM damper field shielding
 $5 \text{ mT} \rightarrow 41.71 \mu\text{T}$ (**100 times smaller**)

working on
 $N\epsilon_0 (/ \sigma_{N\epsilon_0})$



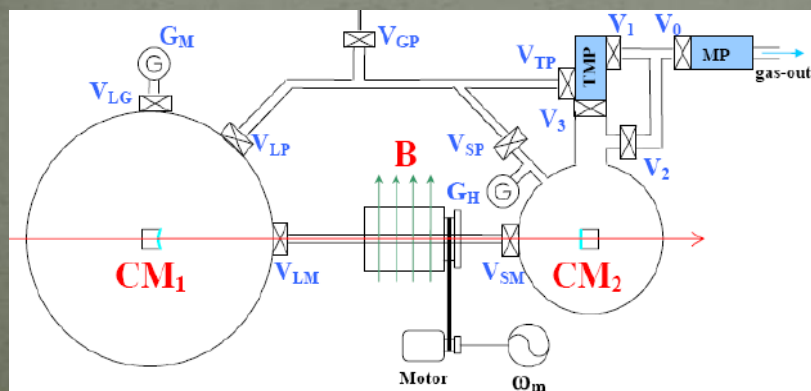
$M(=1/g_{a\gamma\gamma}), m_a$

156.05 hr Ellipticity Integration @ 3 mTorr



CME: $\Delta n_u = (7.35 \pm 0.23) \times 10^{-14}$
 $\Delta n_u(\text{H}_2\text{O})_{\text{theoretical}} = 7.5 \times 10^{-15}$

	Alcatel type 2033	Seiko Seiki STP-1000
Type	Mechanical Pump	Turbo Molecular Pump
Exhaust Rate (Lit/s)	9.167	1000
Rotor Speed (rev/min)	1,800	35,000
Allowable P_{suction} (Torr)	760	10^{-4}
Allowable P_{exhaust} (Torr)	760	0.1
Ultimate P (Tor)	10^{-4}	10^{-10}
Auxiliary Pump (Lit/s)		≥ 5.67



$$Q = \frac{d(PV)}{dt}$$

$$C = \frac{Q}{P_1 - P_2}$$

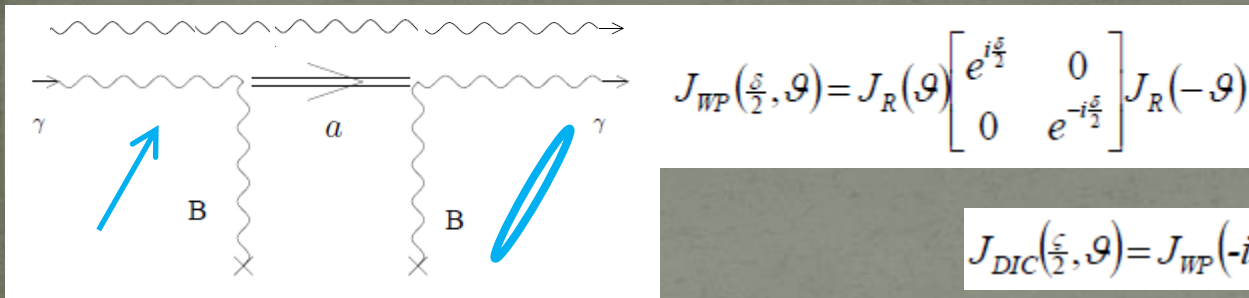
$$V \frac{dP}{dt} = Q - SP$$

$$C_{Q\&A,exp} = 1.087 \text{ Lit/s.}$$

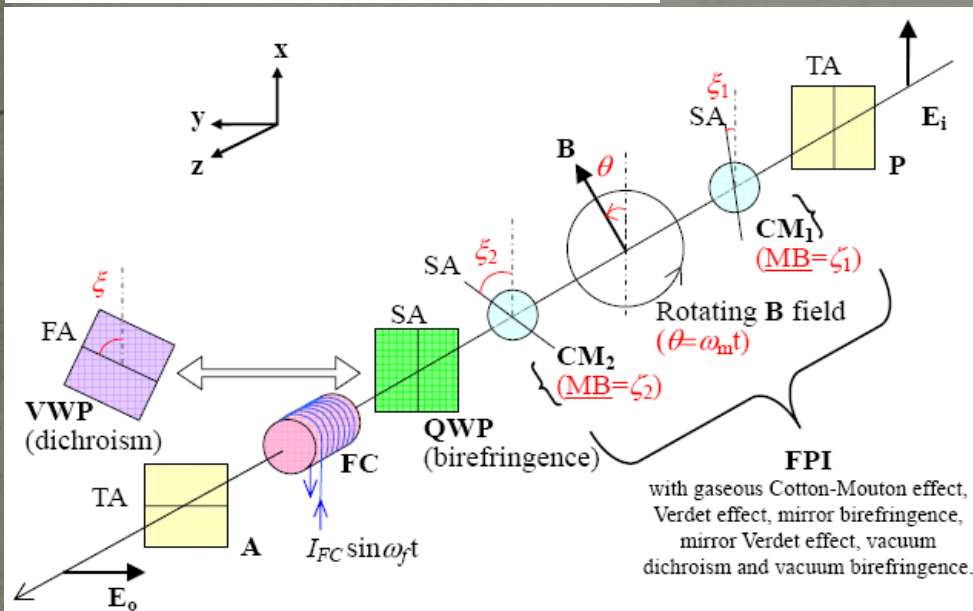
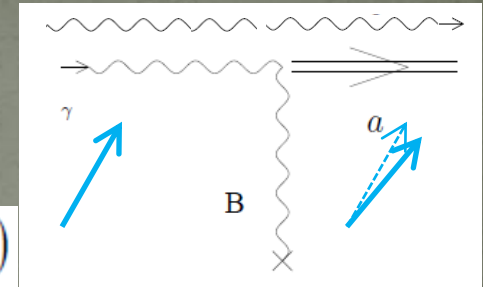
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Pumping
(= Degasing)

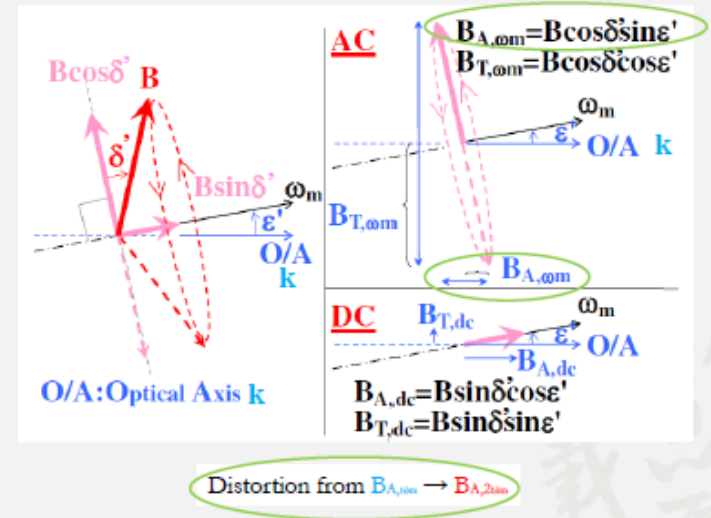
Jones Matrix: Birefringence vs Dichroism



$$J_{DIC}\left(\frac{\xi}{2}, \theta\right) = J_{WP}\left(-i\frac{\xi}{2}, \theta\right)$$



Axial stray field (Faraday rotation)



$$I_{out} = E_{out}^* \cdot E_{out}$$

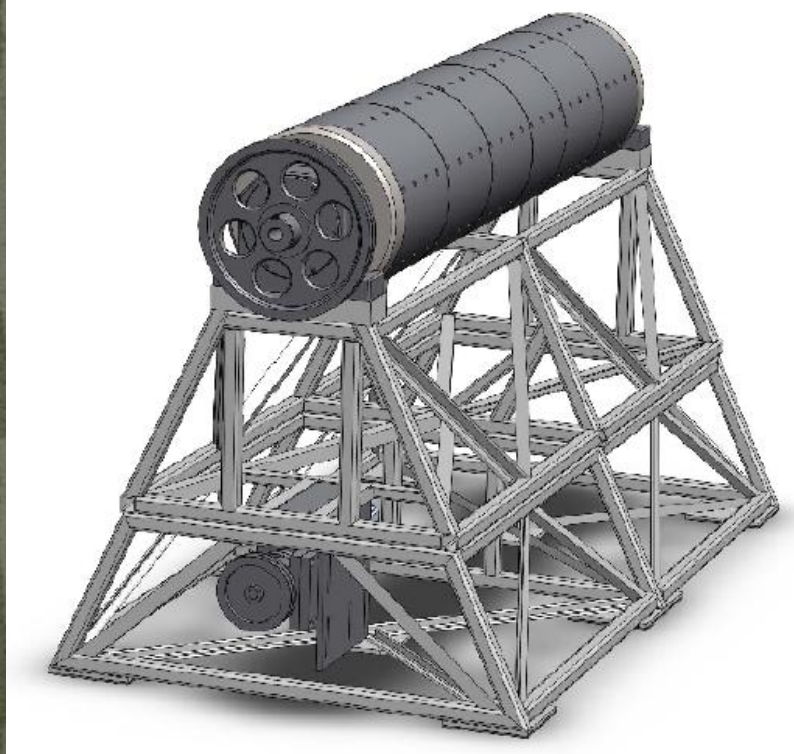
$$E_{out} = \begin{cases} J_A \cdot J_R(\alpha) \cdot J_{FC}(\eta_0 \sin(\omega_f t + \phi_f)) \cdot J_{QWP} \cdot J_{FPI} \cdot J_P \cdot E_0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ J_A \cdot J_R(\alpha) \cdot J_{FC}(\eta_0 \sin(\omega_f t + \phi_f)) \cdot J_{VWP} \cdot J_{FPI} \cdot J_P \cdot E_0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{cases}$$

$$\psi(t) \equiv \frac{\eta_0}{4} \cdot \frac{X_1(t)}{Y_2(t)}$$

$$\Psi(\omega) \equiv \mathcal{F}(\psi(t))$$

$$\Psi_0 \equiv \Psi(2\omega_m) = N\psi_0 \text{ (or } N\beta_0 \text{ for dichroism detection)}$$

Prospect: New magnet after Sept. 2009



Main specs for design:

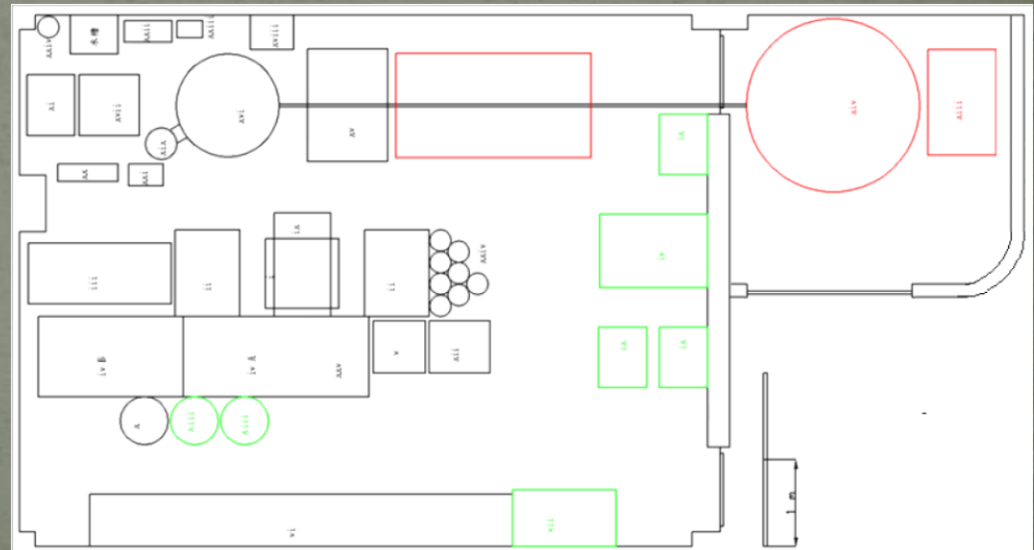
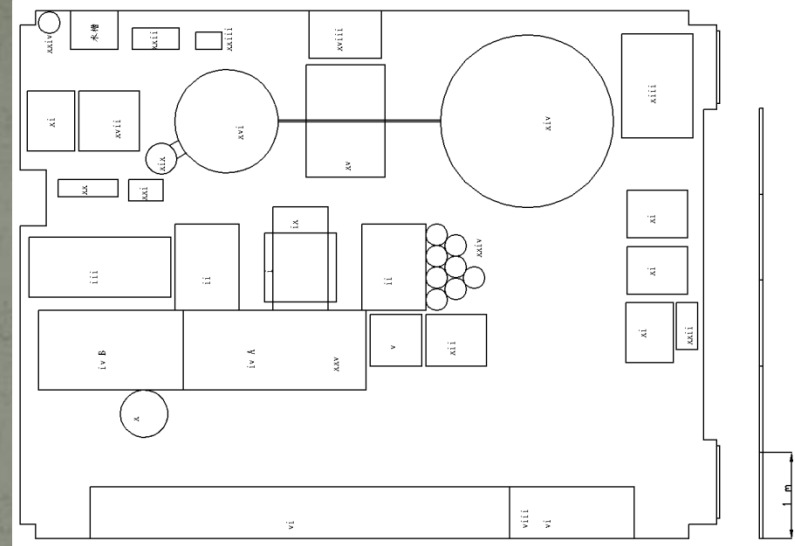
$$B = 2.3 \text{ T}$$

$$L = 1.8 \text{ m}$$

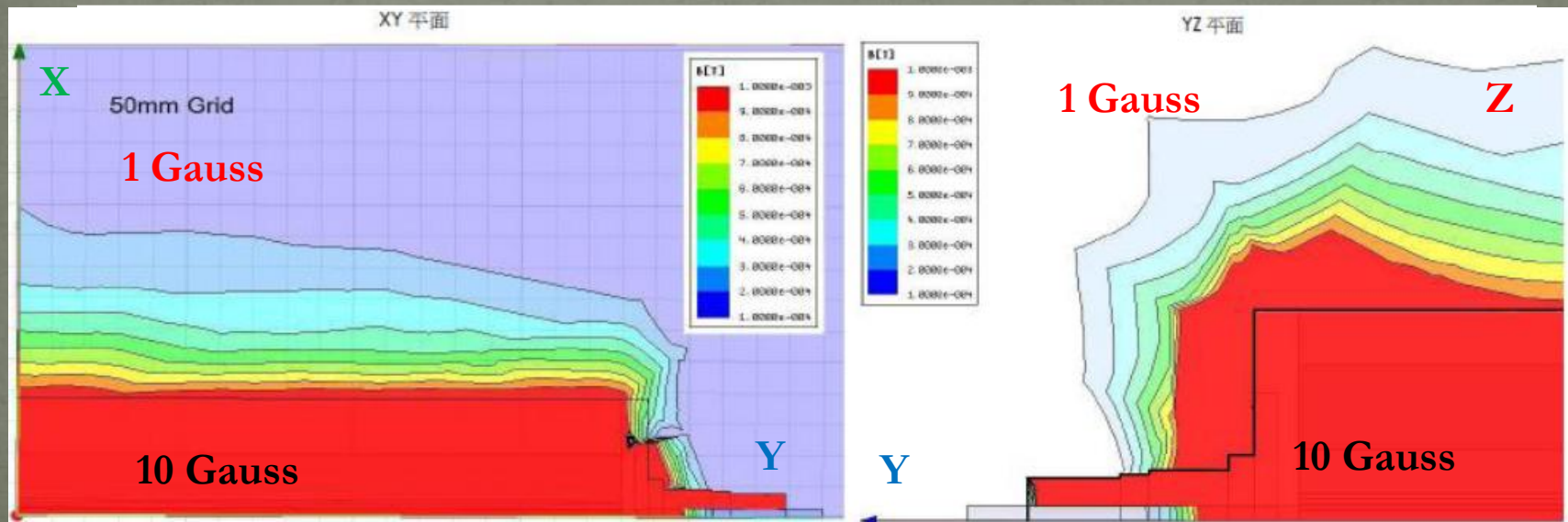
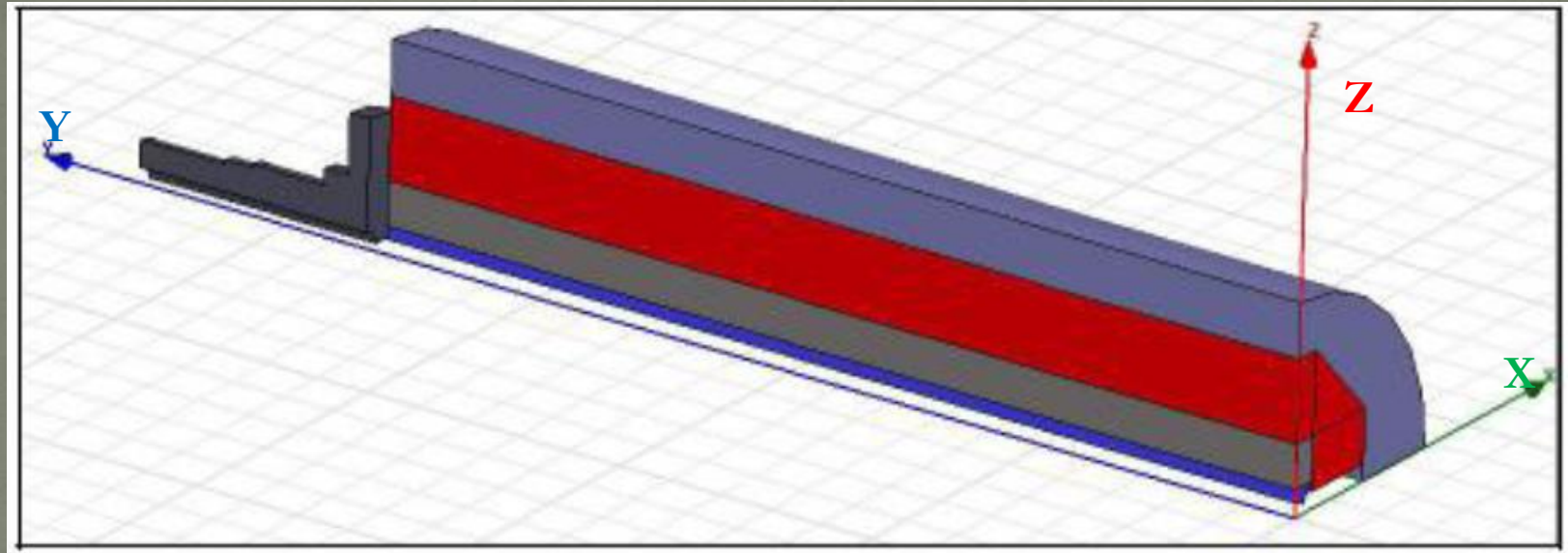
$$\omega_m/2\pi = 600 \text{ rpm}$$

$$\psi_{\text{QED}} \propto \lambda^{-1} N B^2 L$$

$$\varepsilon_{\text{Axion}} \propto \lambda^0 N B^2 L^2$$

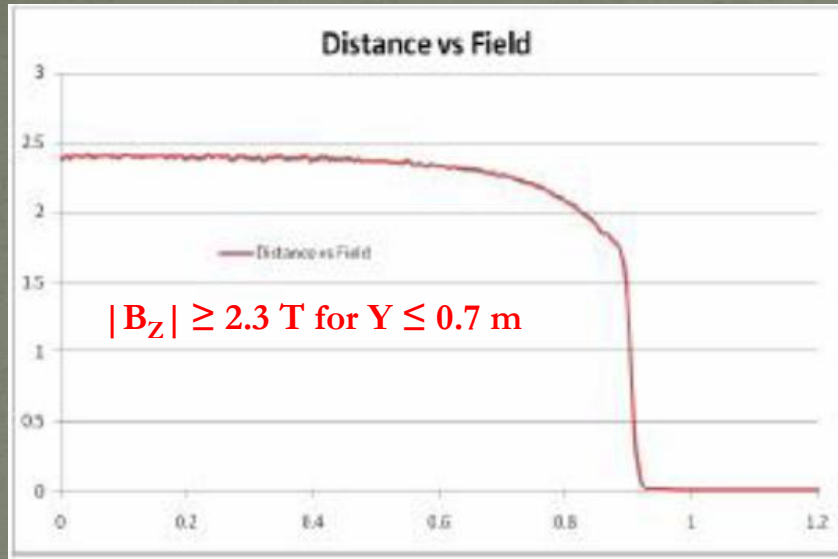


Simulation for magnetic leakage



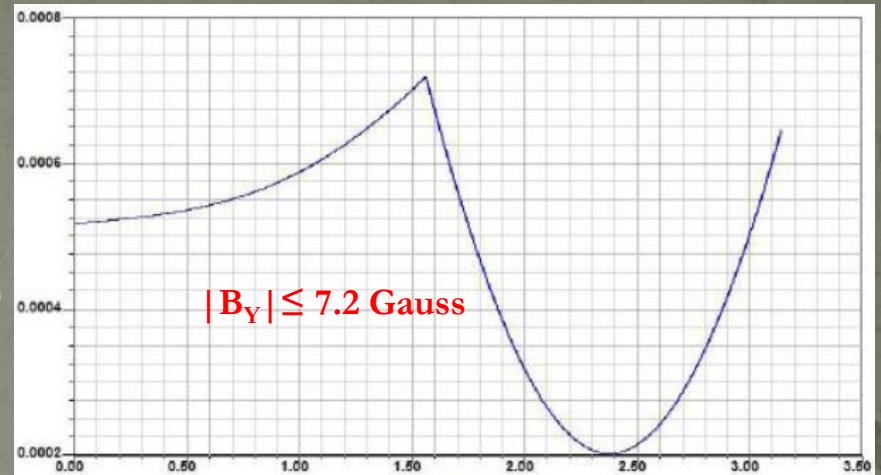
Simulation for transverse(B_Z)/axial(B_Y) fields

B_Z
(T)



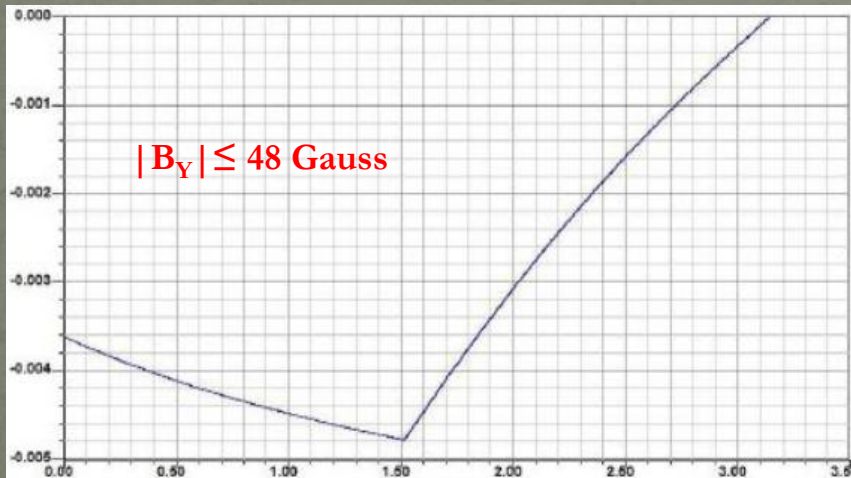
Y(m)
X=Z=0

B_Y
(T)



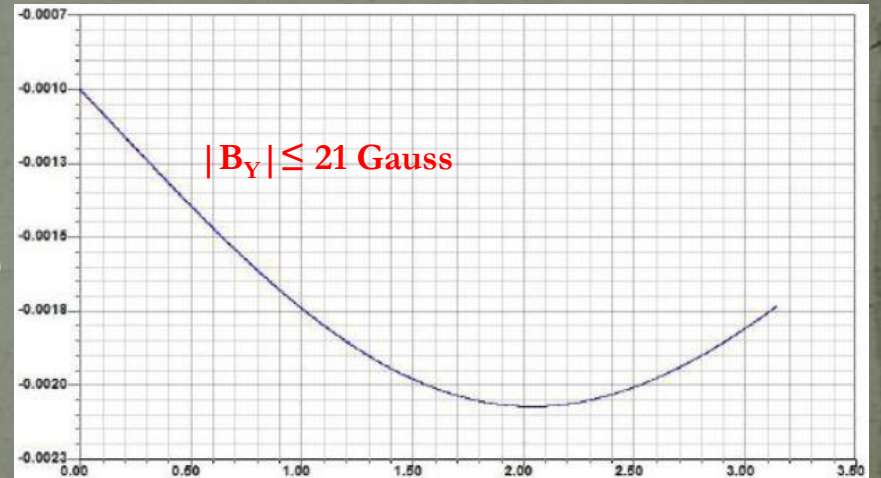
$r\theta(\text{mm})$
Y=450 mm, $r=(X^2+Z^2)^{1/2}=2 \text{ mm}$, $0 < \theta < \pi/2$

B_Y
(T)



$r\theta(\text{mm})$
Y=0 mm, $r=(X^2+Z^2)^{1/2}=2 \text{ mm}$, $0 < \theta < \pi/2$

B_Y
(T)

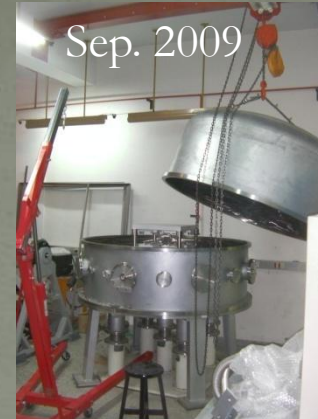


$r\theta(\text{mm})$
Y=800 mm, $r=(X^2+Z^2)^{1/2}=2 \text{ mm}$, $0 < \theta < \pi/2$

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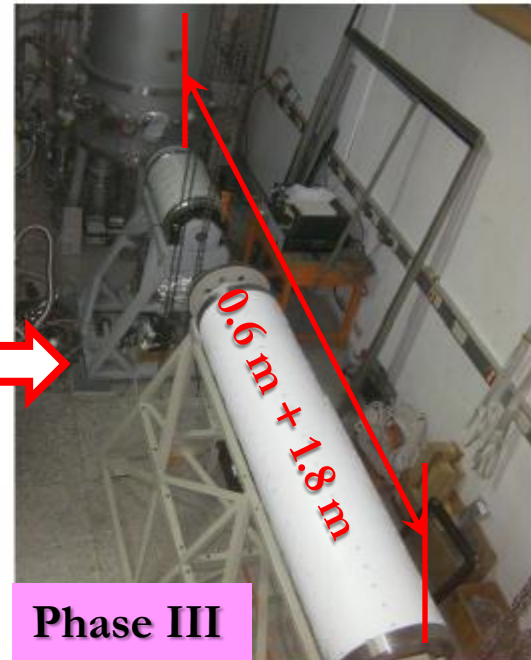
Phase II → Phase III Transition



$L_{FP} : 3.5 \text{ m}$
 $L : 0.6 \text{ m}$
 $\lambda : 1064 \text{ nm}$
 $F : 30000$



Phase II



Phase III

$L_{FP} : 7 \text{ m}$
 $L : 2.4 \text{ m}$
 $\lambda : 532 \text{ nm}$
 $F : 10^5$

Prospects of Q & A experiment

	achieved (2007 / 2008)	implementing (2009-2010)	next stage (2011?)
Length of cavity (L_{FP})	3.5 m	7 m	7 m
Length of magnetic active zone (L)	0.6 m	2.4 m	4.2 m
Laser wavelength (λ ; together with optics)	1064 nm	532 nm	532 nm
Finesse of cavity mirrors (F)	29900 / 30000	10^5	10^5
Number of passage ($N = 2F/\pi$)	18700 / 19100	63700	63700
Magnet's rotational modulation ($f_m = \omega_m/2\pi$)	5 rps / 7 rps	10 rps	20 rps
Sensitivity ($S_{N\Psi_o}$ or $S_{N\varepsilon_o}$)	(1.4 / 0.9) $\mu\text{rad}/\text{Hz}^{1/2}$	10 nrad/Hz ^{1/2} ↓ Mirrors' birefringence	2 nrad/Hz ^{1/2} shot noise limit @ 0.1 W
Integration time (T_{int})	18.9 hr / 378 hr	1000 hr (~42 d)	1000 hr (~42 d)
Noise floor after T_{int} ($\sigma_{N\Psi_o}$ or $\sigma_{N\varepsilon_o}$)	5.3 nrad/0.8 nrad [(7·10 ³ /10 ³) $N\Psi_{o,QED}$]	5.3 prad (28%× $N\Psi_{o,QED}$)	1.1 prad (3.3%× $N\Psi_{o,QED}$)
QED effect in ellipticity ($N\Psi_{o,QED} \propto NB^2L/\lambda$)	0.72 prad	19.1 prad	33.4 prad
ALPs coupling scale [$M = g_{a\gamma\gamma}^{-1} \sim (BL/4)(N/\sigma_{N\varepsilon_o})^{1/2}$]	$M > 0.6 \times 10^6 \text{ GeV}$ for $m_a < 1.7 \text{ meV}$	$M > 1.4 \times 10^8 \text{ GeV}$ for $m_a < 0.8 \text{ meV}$	$M > 5.3 \times 10^8 \text{ GeV}$ for $m_a < 0.8 \text{ meV}$

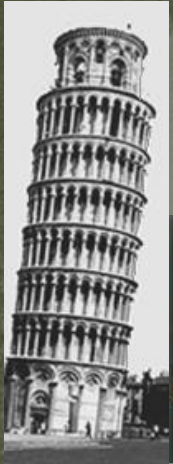
§: No results for 2008 due to CMs magnetic field contamination.

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Summary & Outlook

- **Q & A** experiment searches for **QED** or **(pseudo)scalar** predictions through ellipsometer-measured **birefringence** and **dichroism**.
- Cavity mirrors are **suspended** for seismic noise **isolation**.
- **Magnetic field shielding** around cavity mirrors is improved.
- Sensitivity in polarization rotation and in ellipticity detection are both around $1 \mu\text{rad}/\text{Hz}^{1/2}$ with a **78% duty cycle within 48 days**.
- A **new magnet** with **$B = 2.3 \text{ T}$** and **$L = 1.8 \text{ m}$** is set up with a rotational speed up to **13 rps** to enhance the physical effects. A copy will be added in the next stage.
- A **7 m FPI** with **$F \sim 10^5$** cavity using **532 nm** mirrors is under construction.
- We are currently **aiming at $10 \text{ nrad}/\text{Hz}^{1/2}$** sensitivity.
- With these improvement and upgrading of vacuum, **QED** birefringence would be **measured to 28 % in about 50 days**.

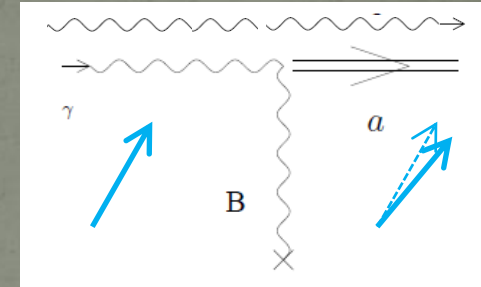
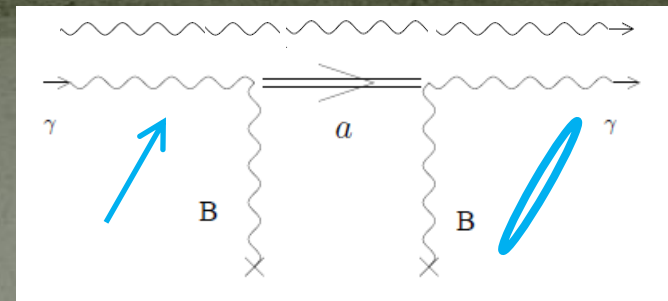
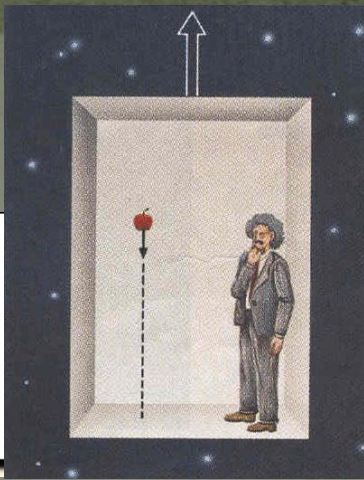


$$L_I = -(1/16\pi)\phi F_{ij}F_{kl}e^{ijkl}$$

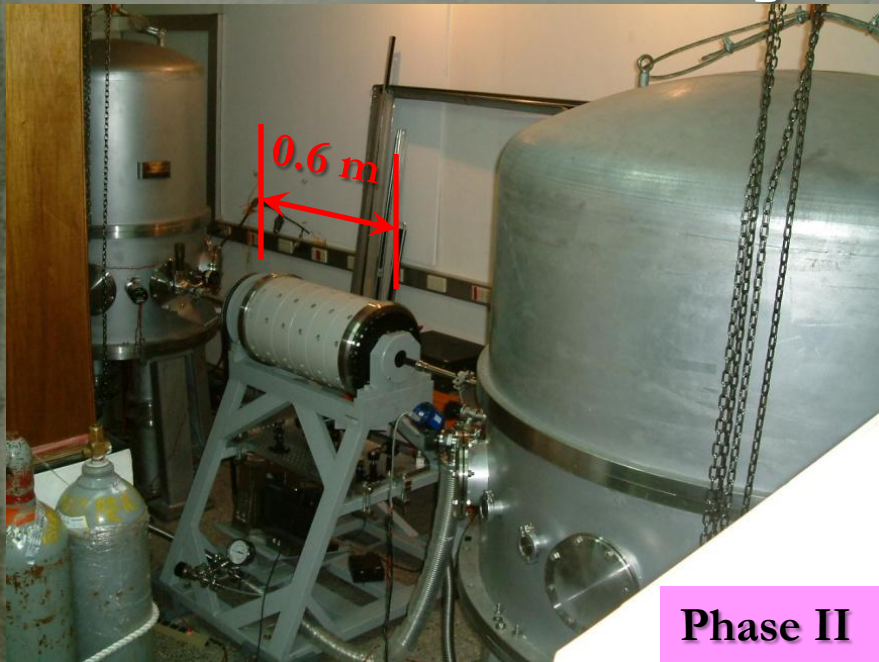
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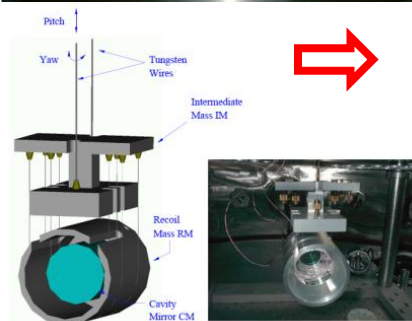
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▣ Thank you very much!



Phase II



Phase III