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**Quantum trick to improve
the detection of
gravitational waves**

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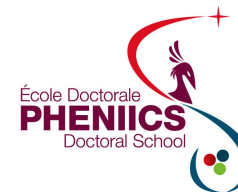
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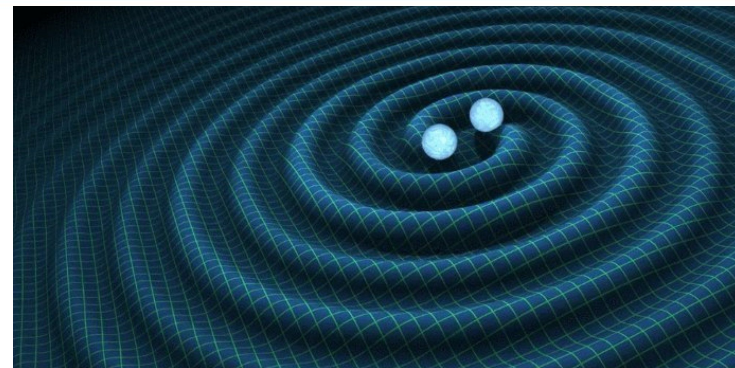


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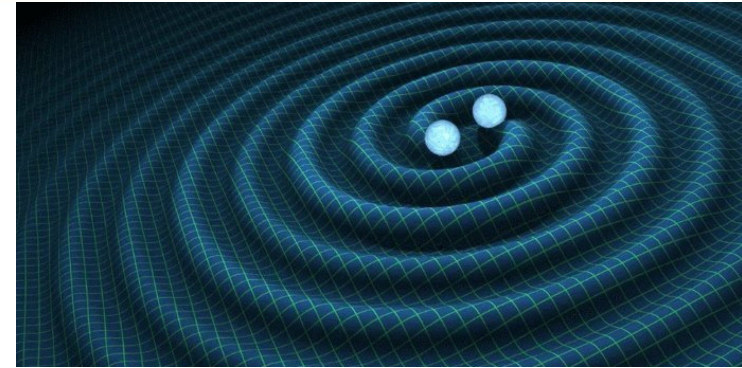


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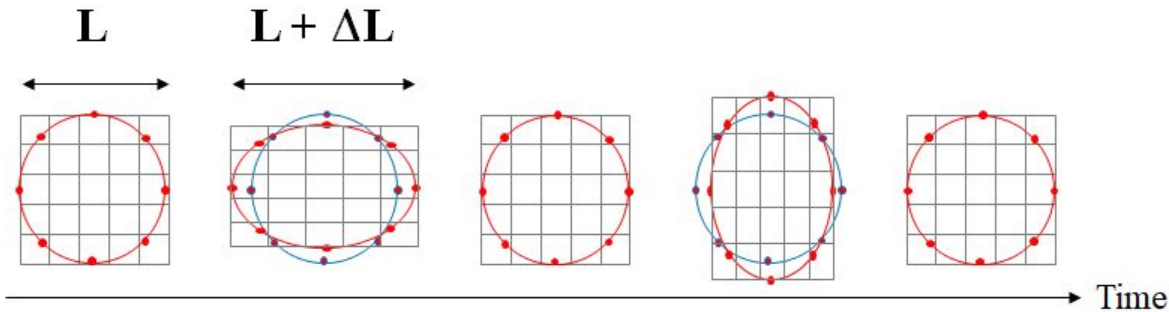
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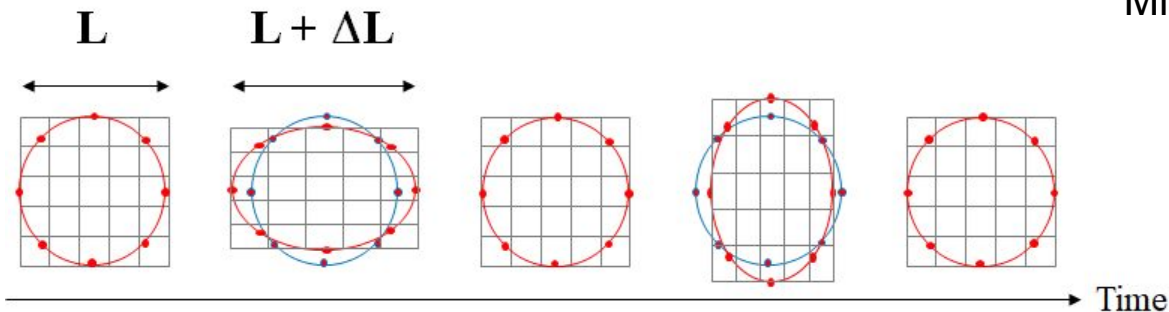
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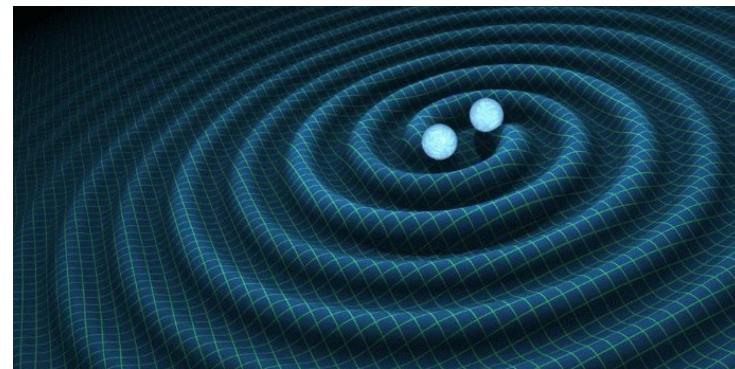
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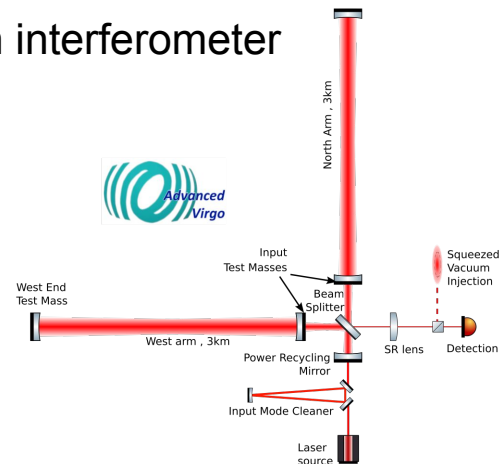
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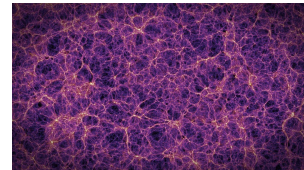
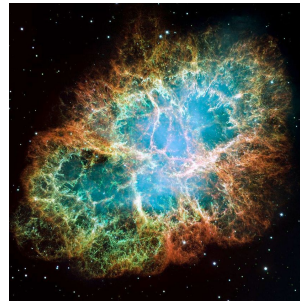
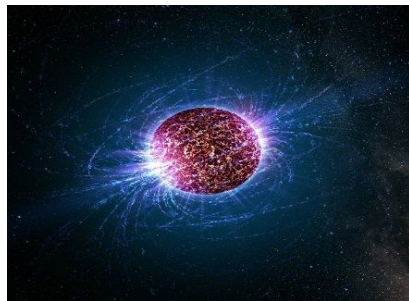
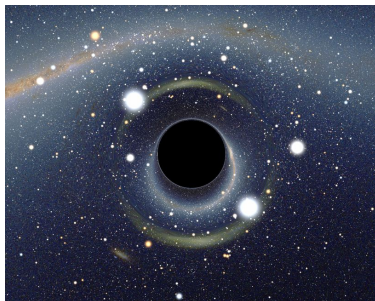




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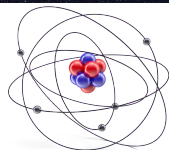
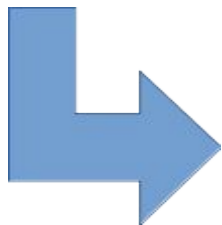
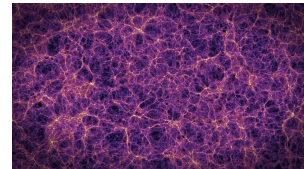
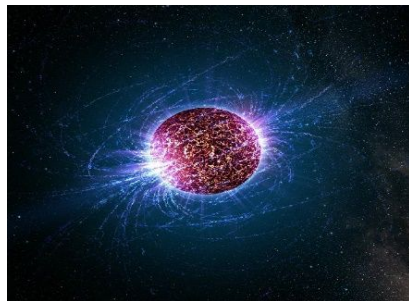
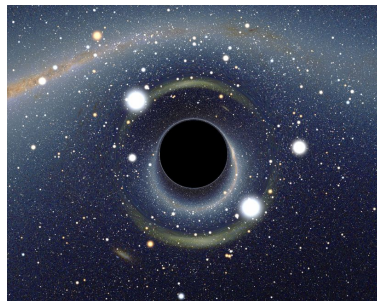


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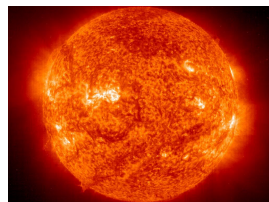
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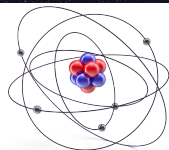
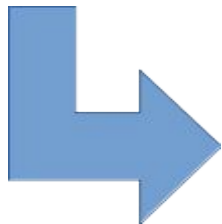
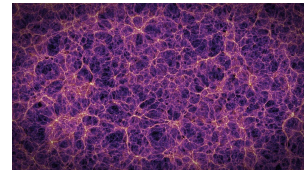
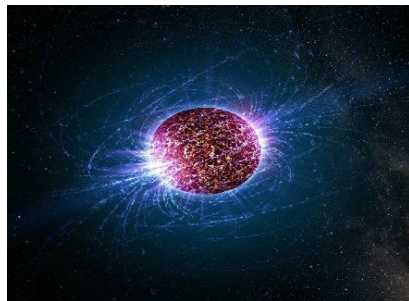
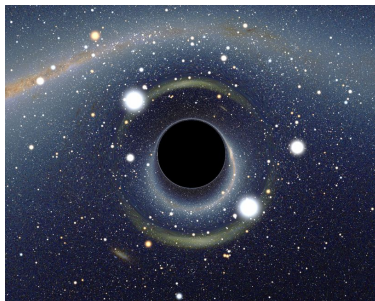


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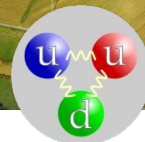
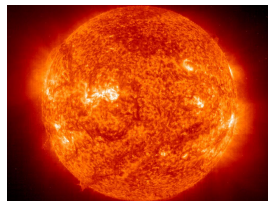
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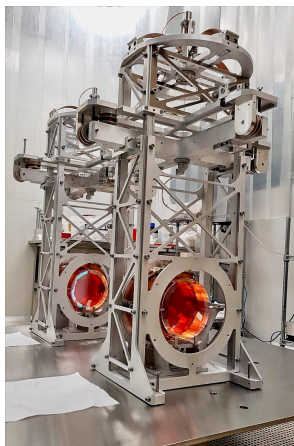
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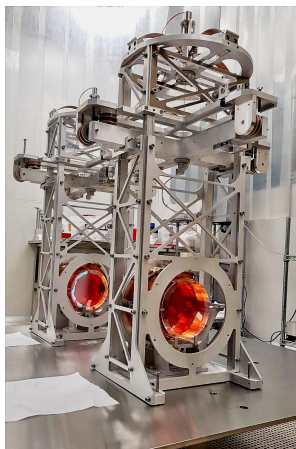
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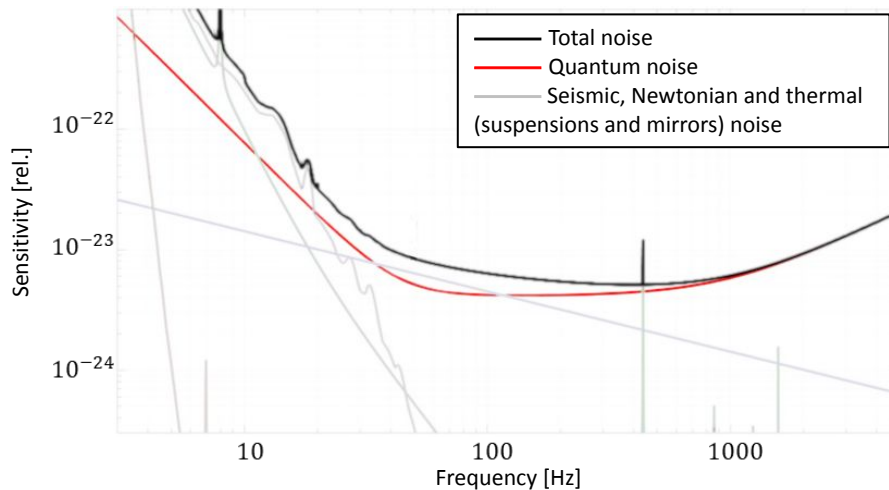
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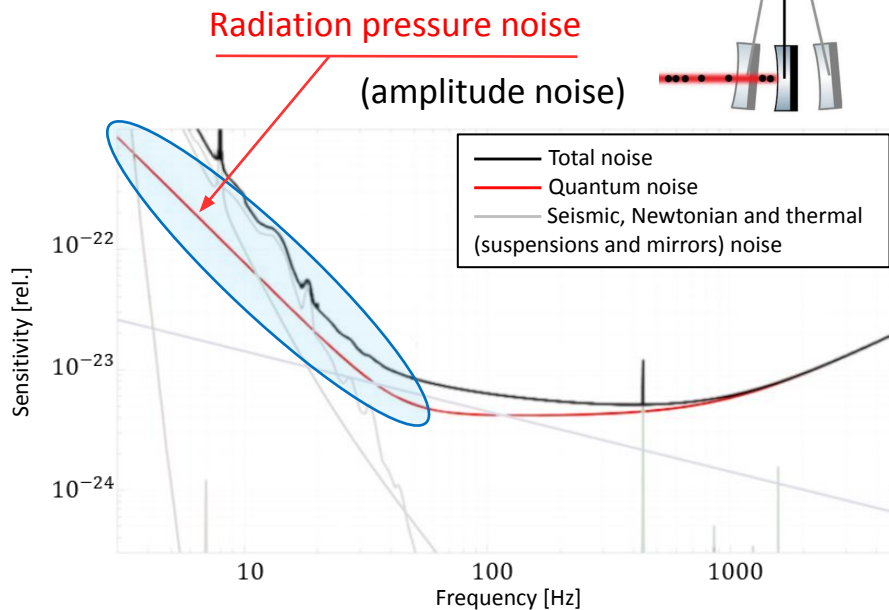
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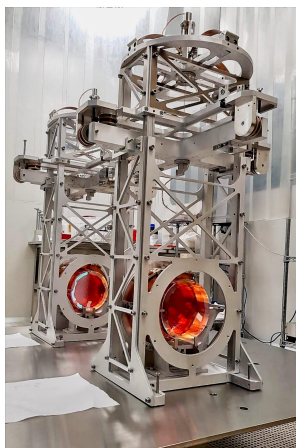
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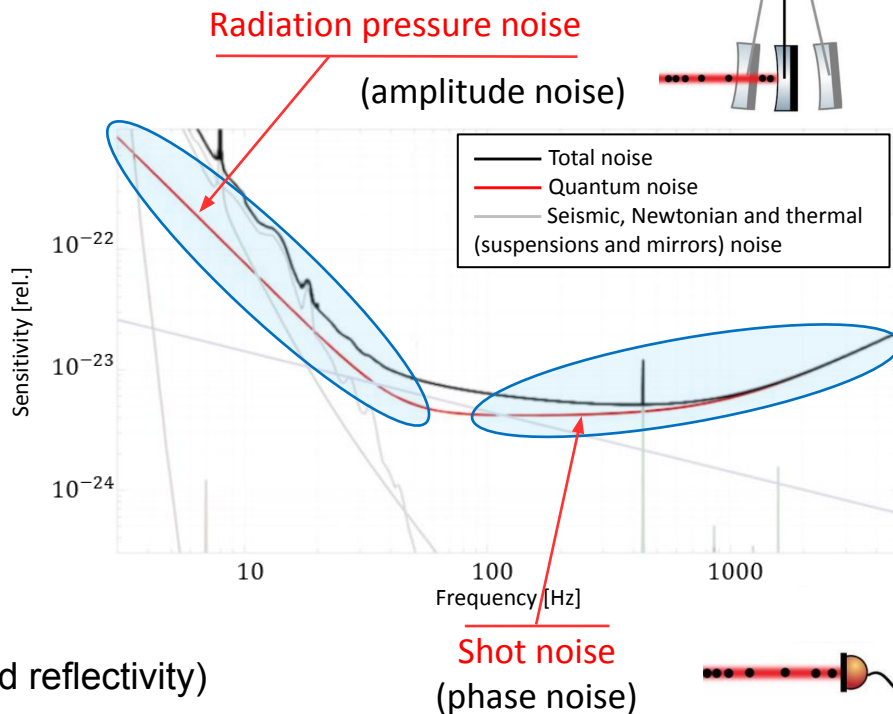
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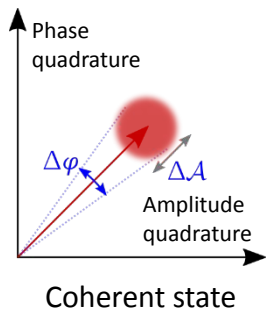


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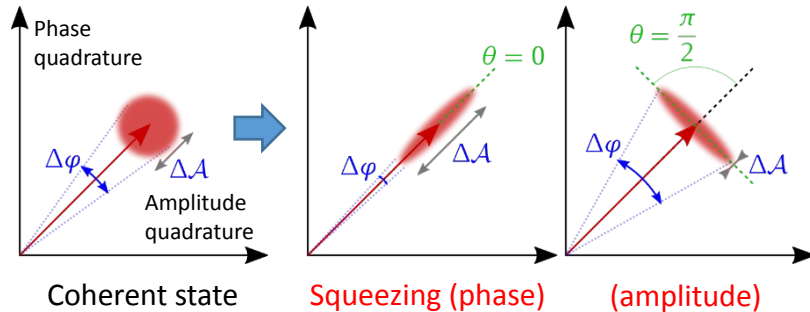


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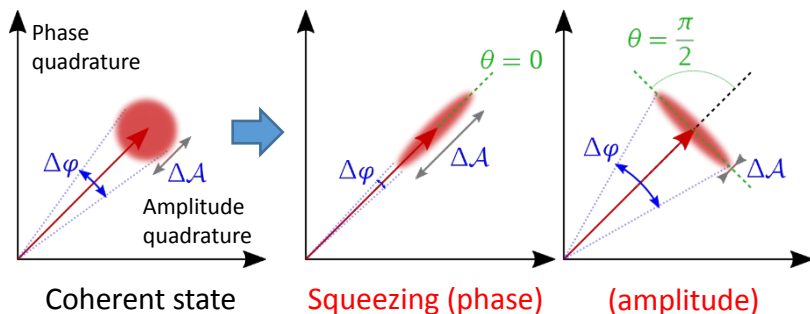


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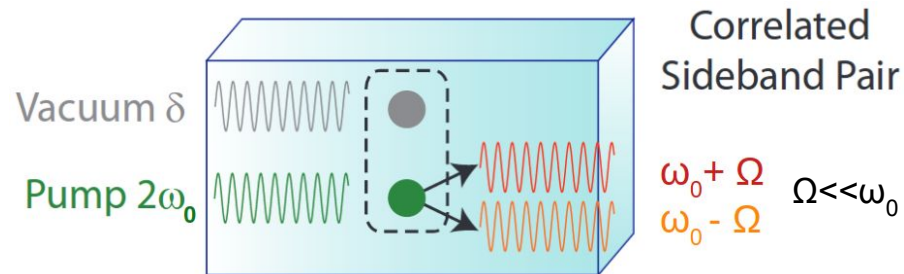
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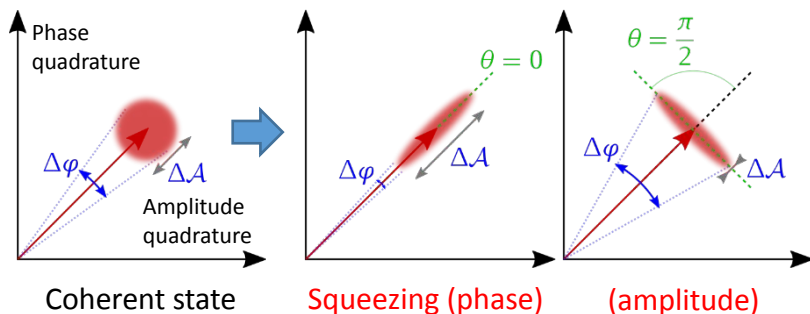


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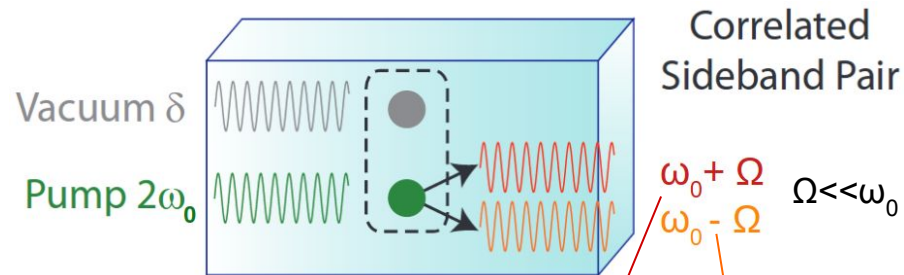
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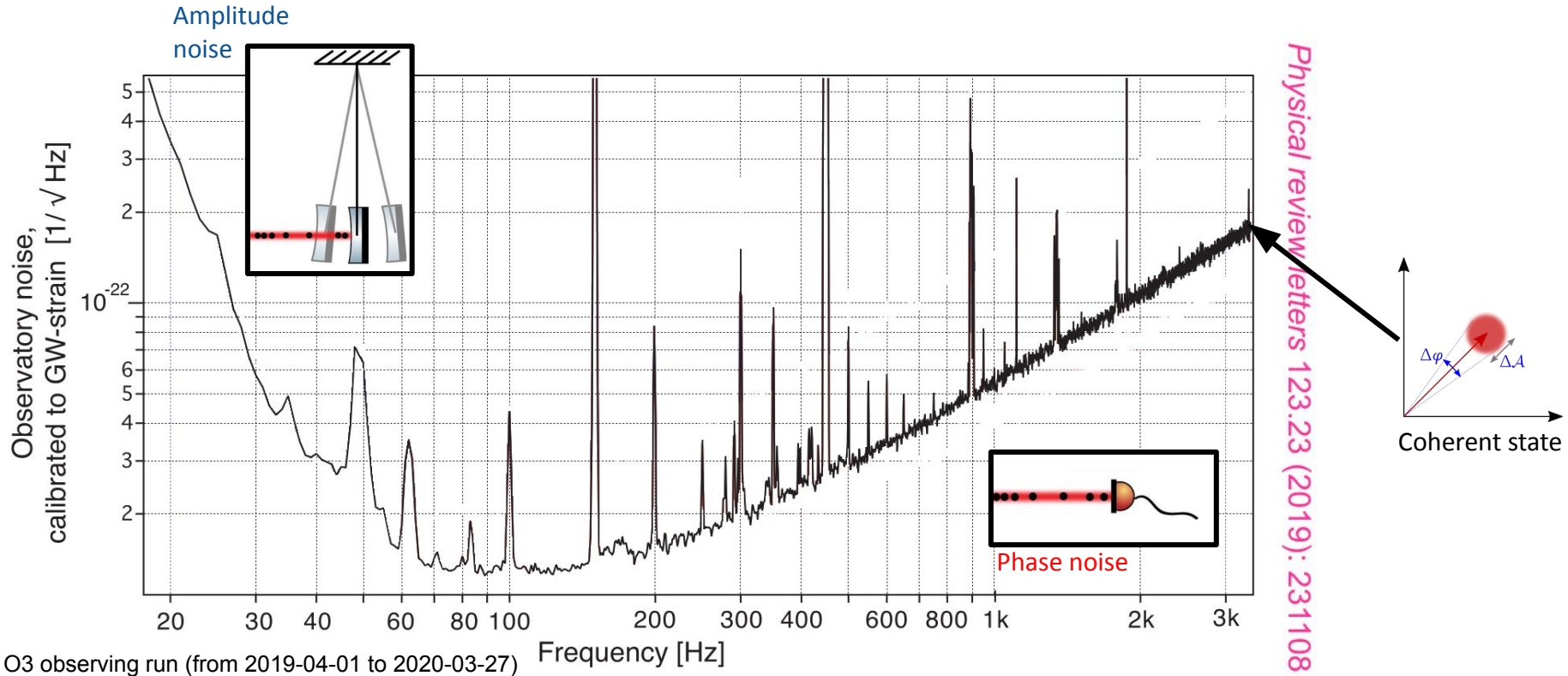
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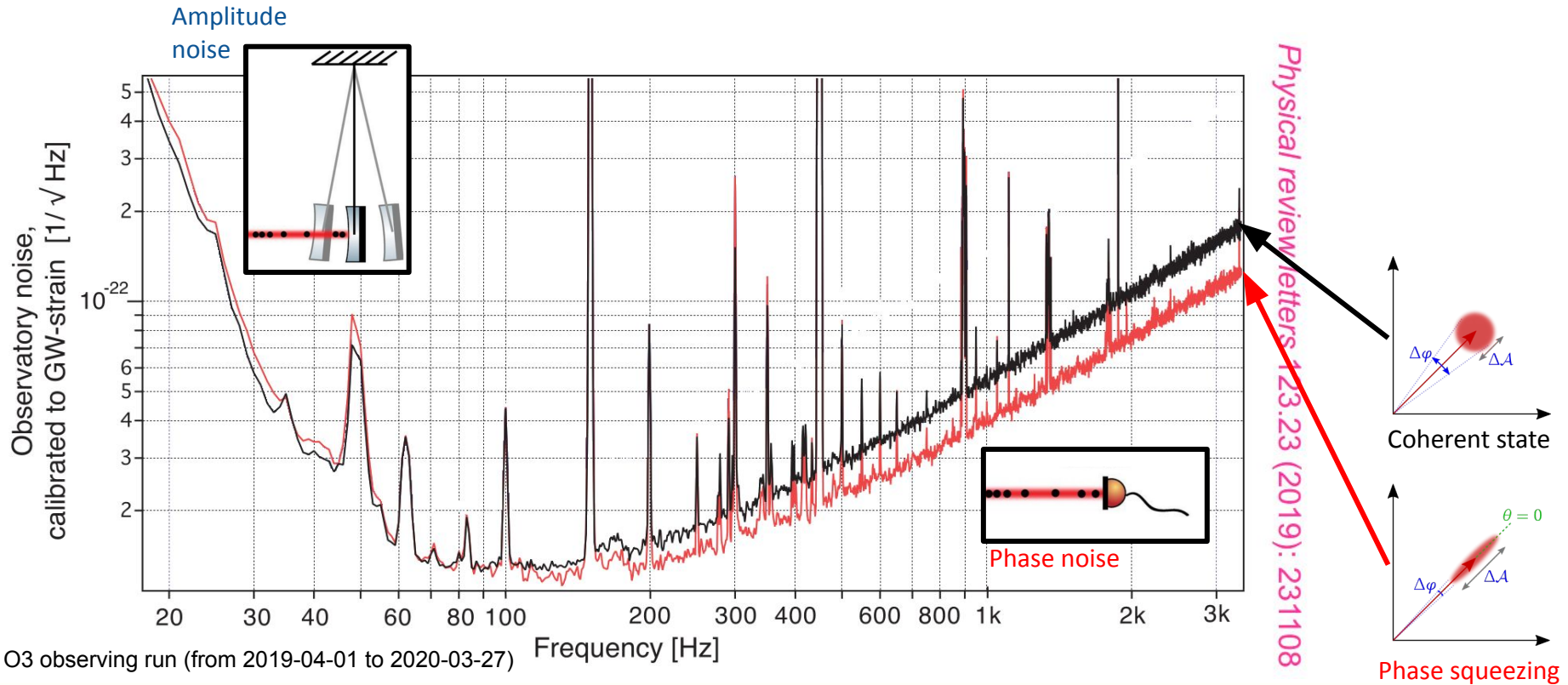
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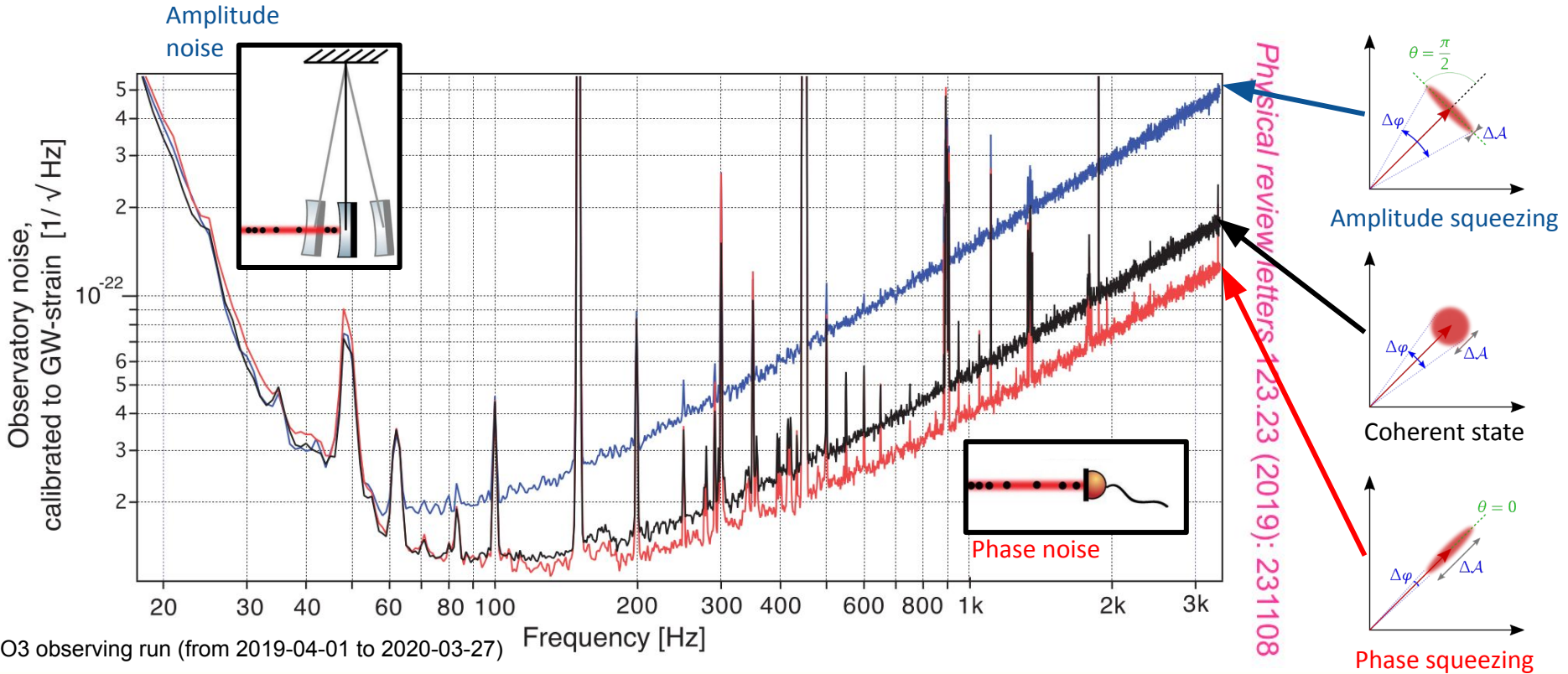
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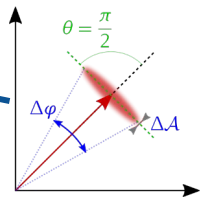
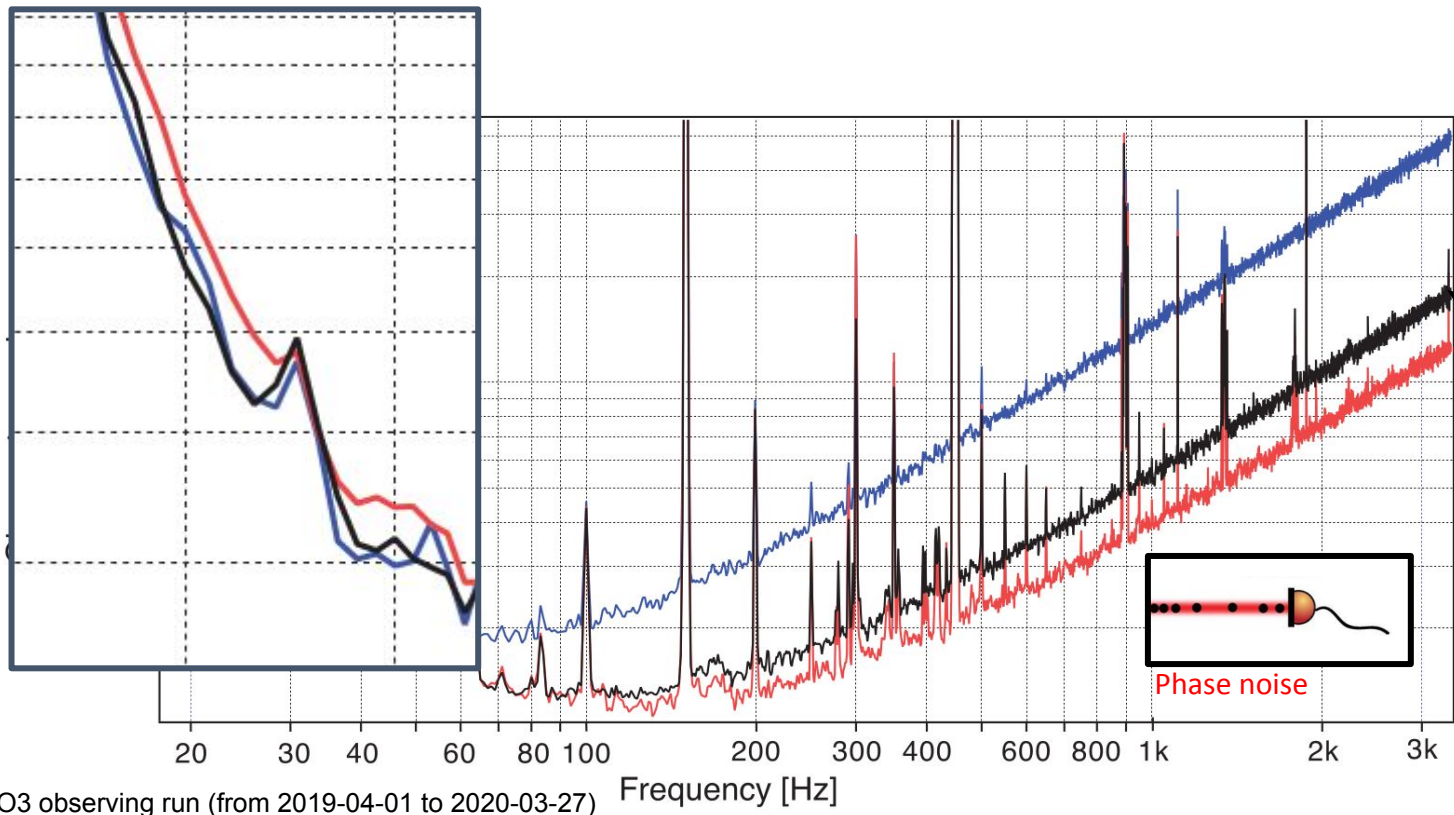
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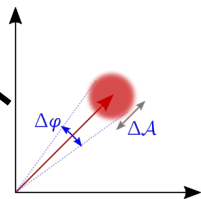


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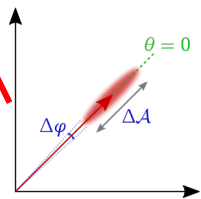
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Amplitude squeezing



Coherent state



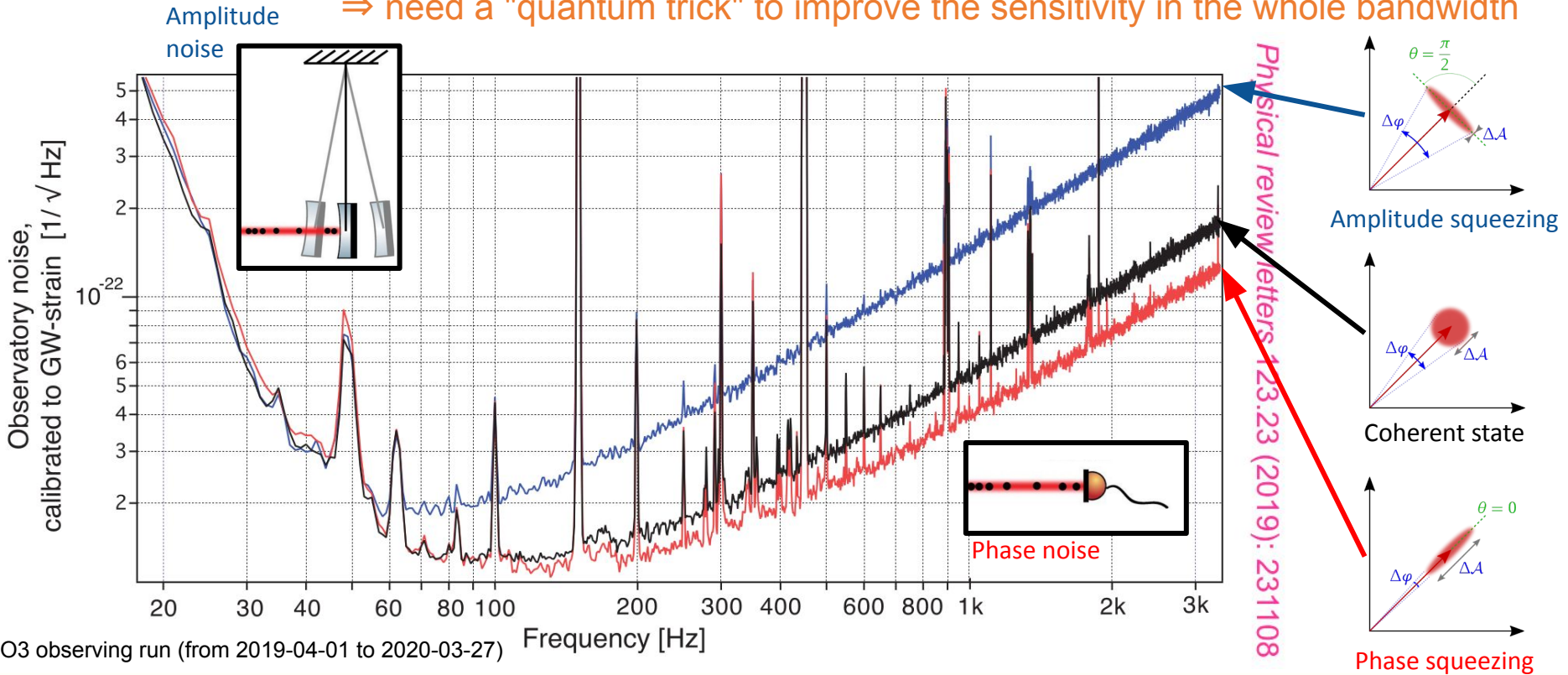
Phase squeezing



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⇒ need a "quantum trick" to improve the sensitivity in the whole bandwidth

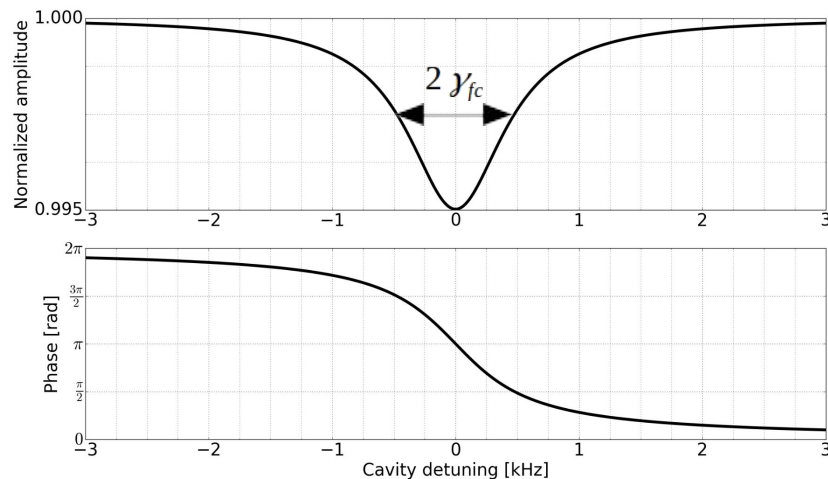
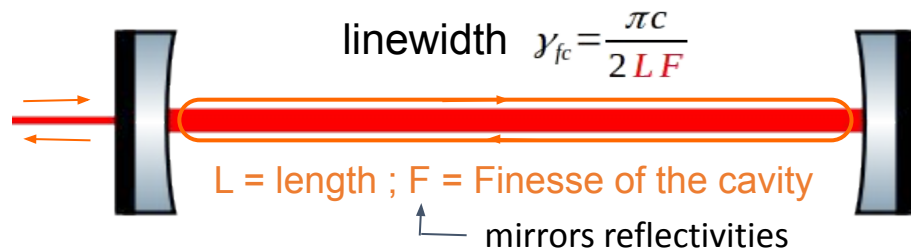




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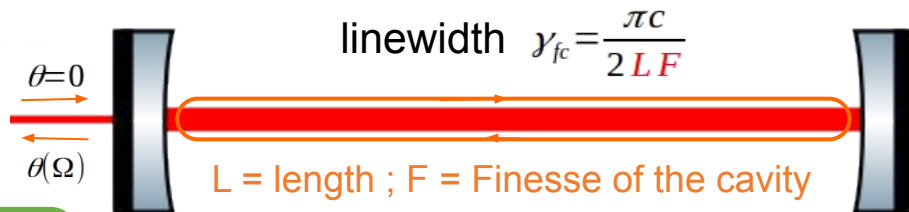
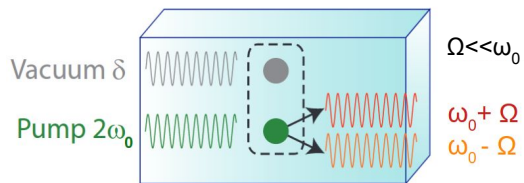




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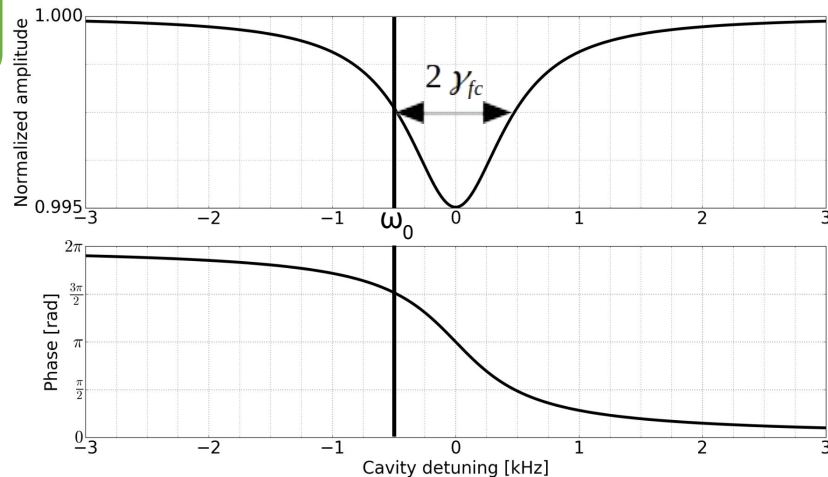
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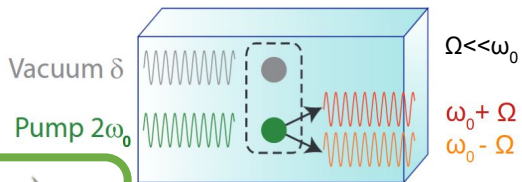




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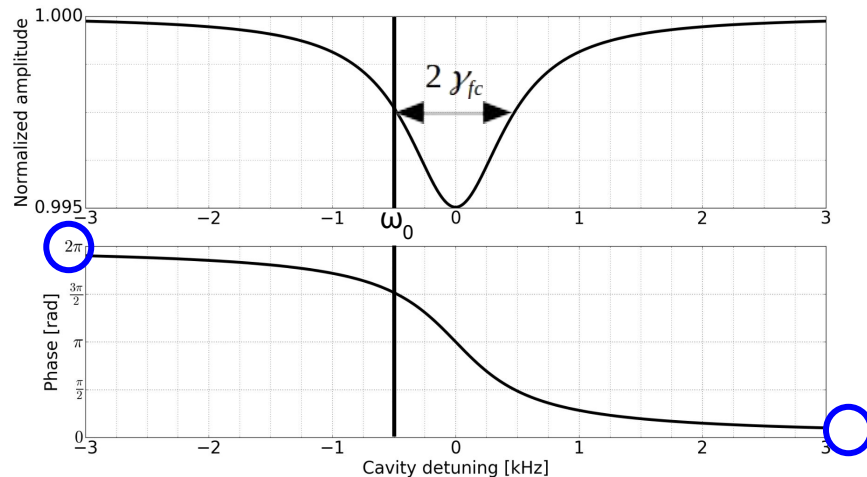
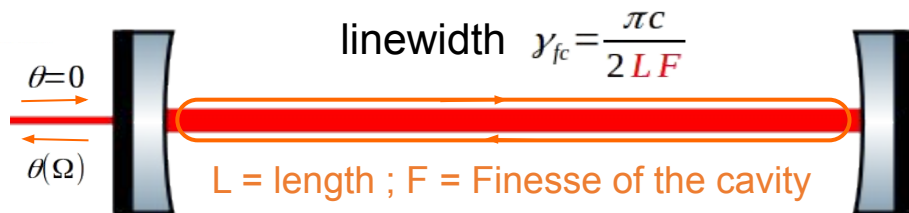
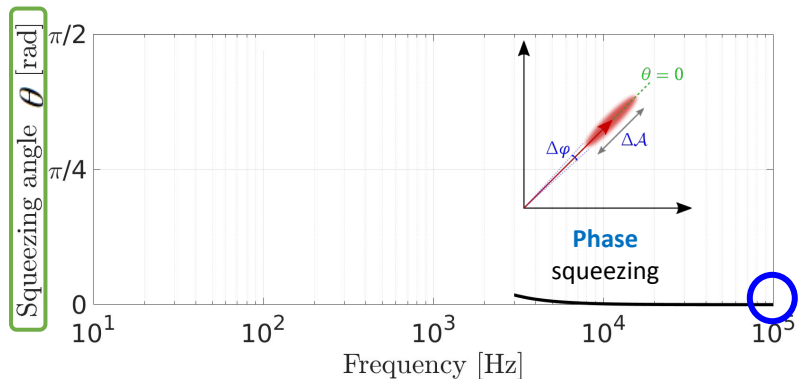
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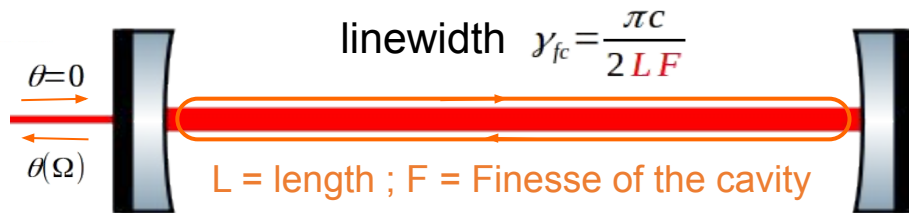
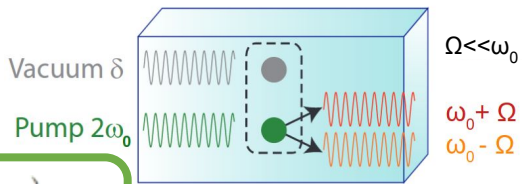




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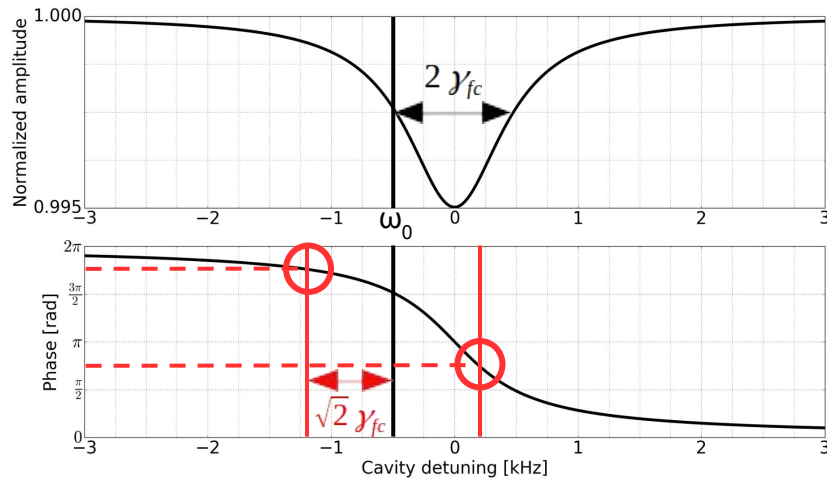
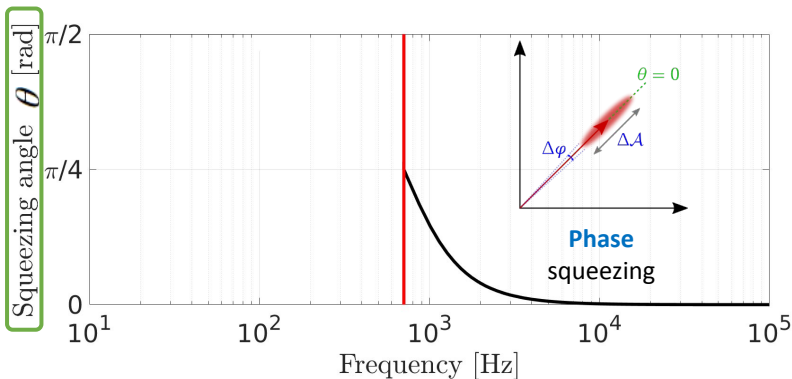
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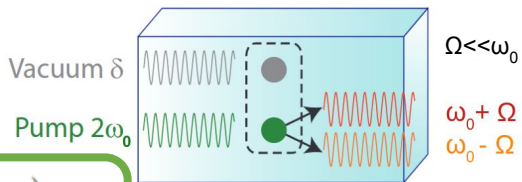




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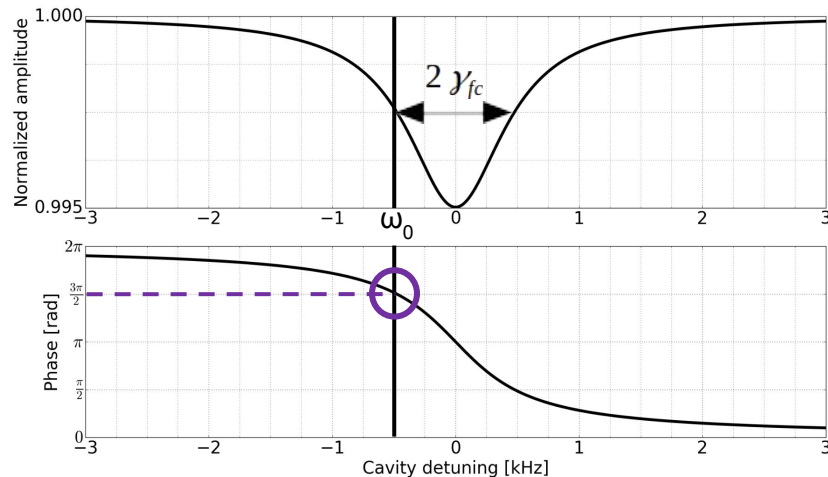
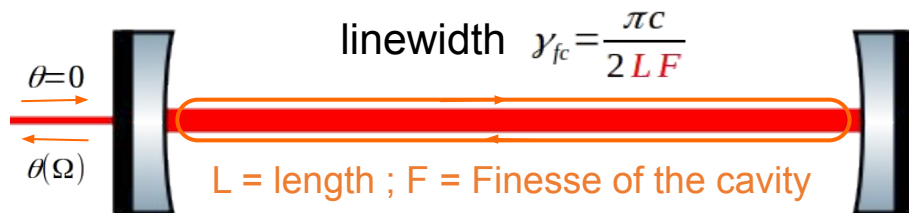
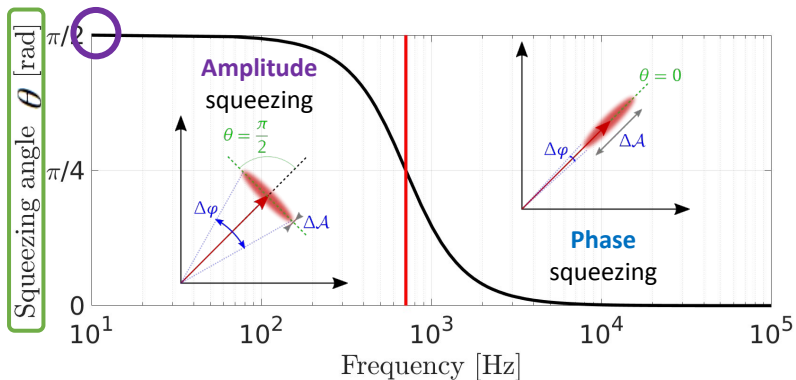
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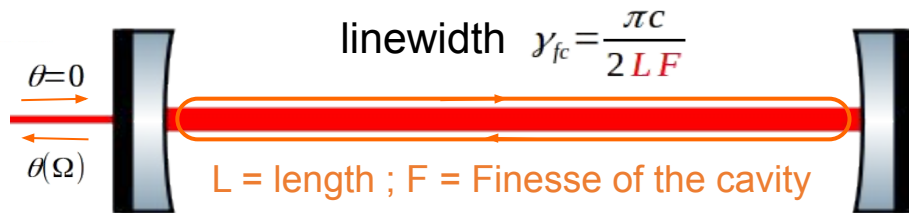
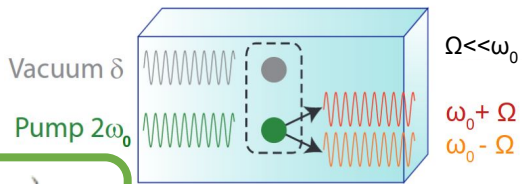




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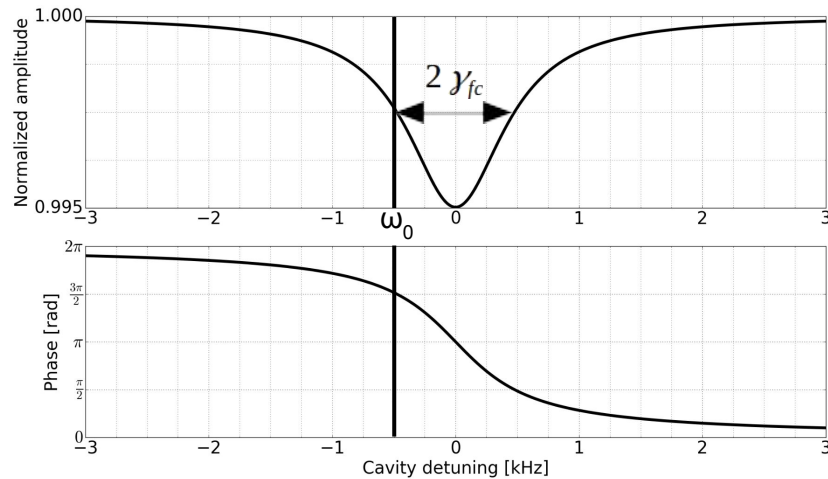
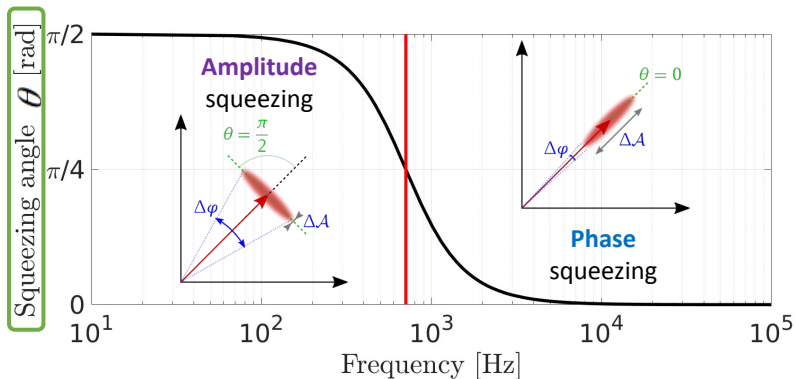
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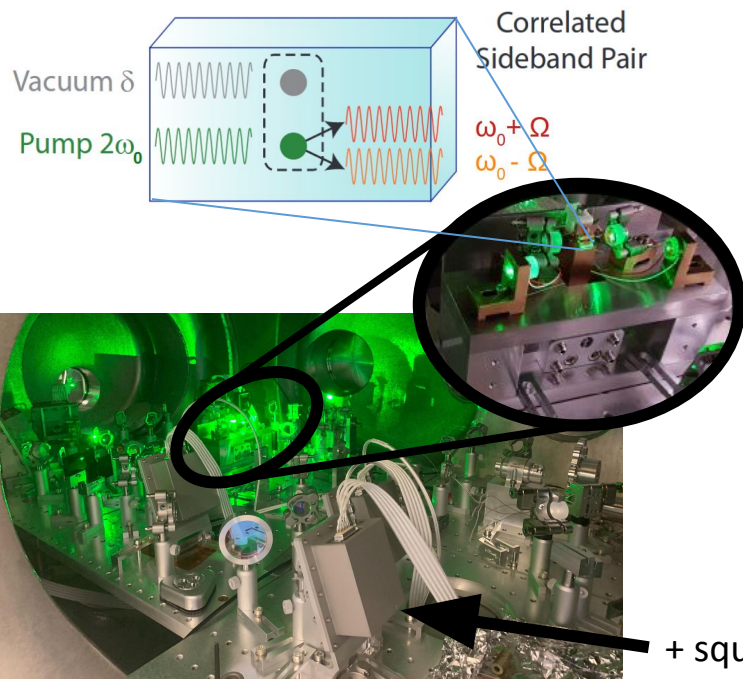




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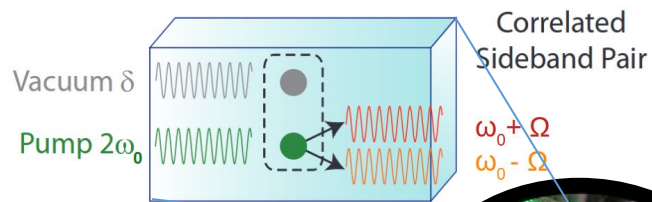




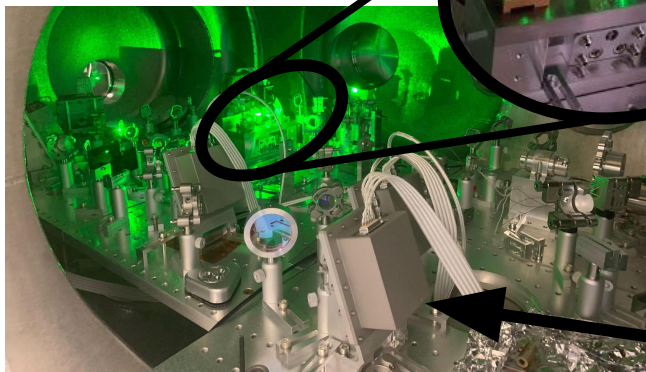
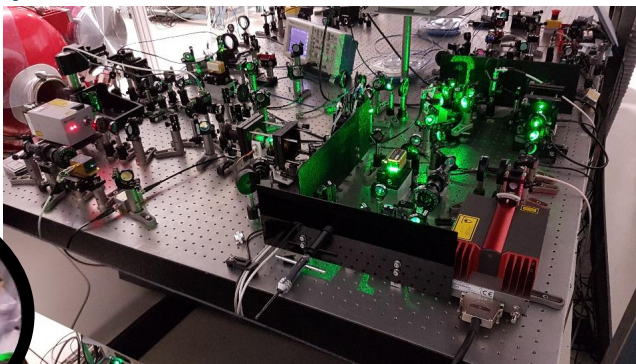
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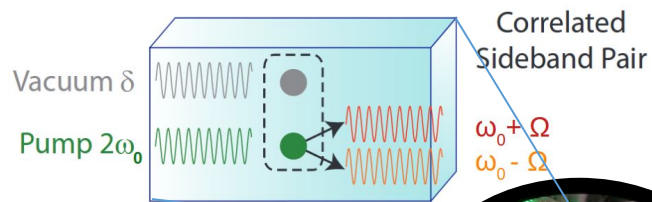
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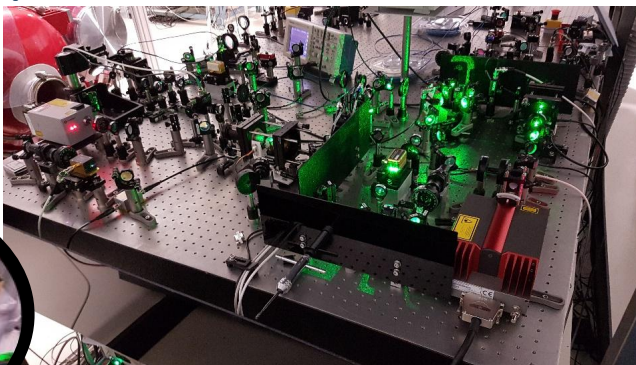
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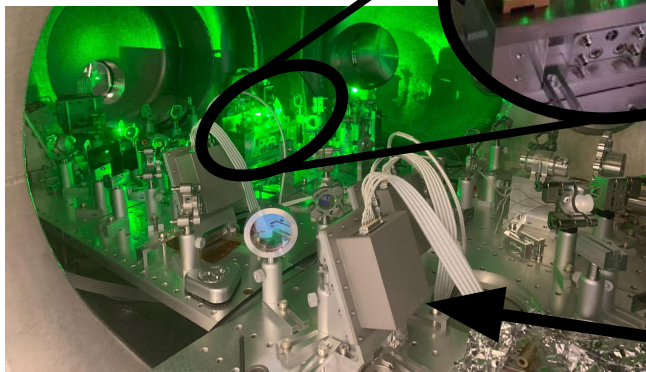
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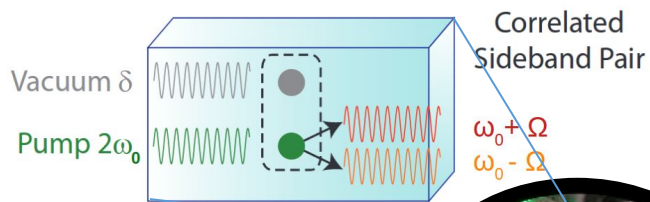
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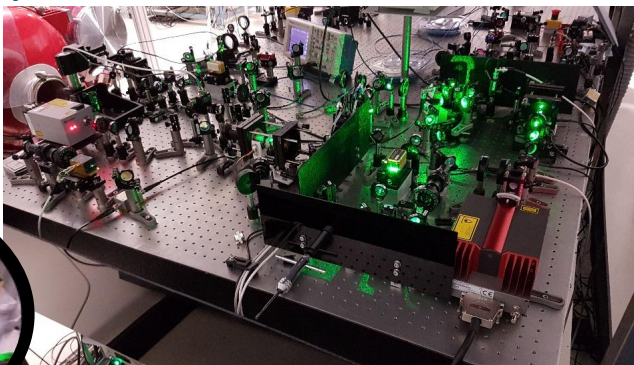
In practice

this is what my experiment looks like

Squeezing generation inside a vacuum tank



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⇒ implementation and first characterizations done
⇒ next step will be to measure quantum noise reduction

+ squeezing measurement



Thank you!