

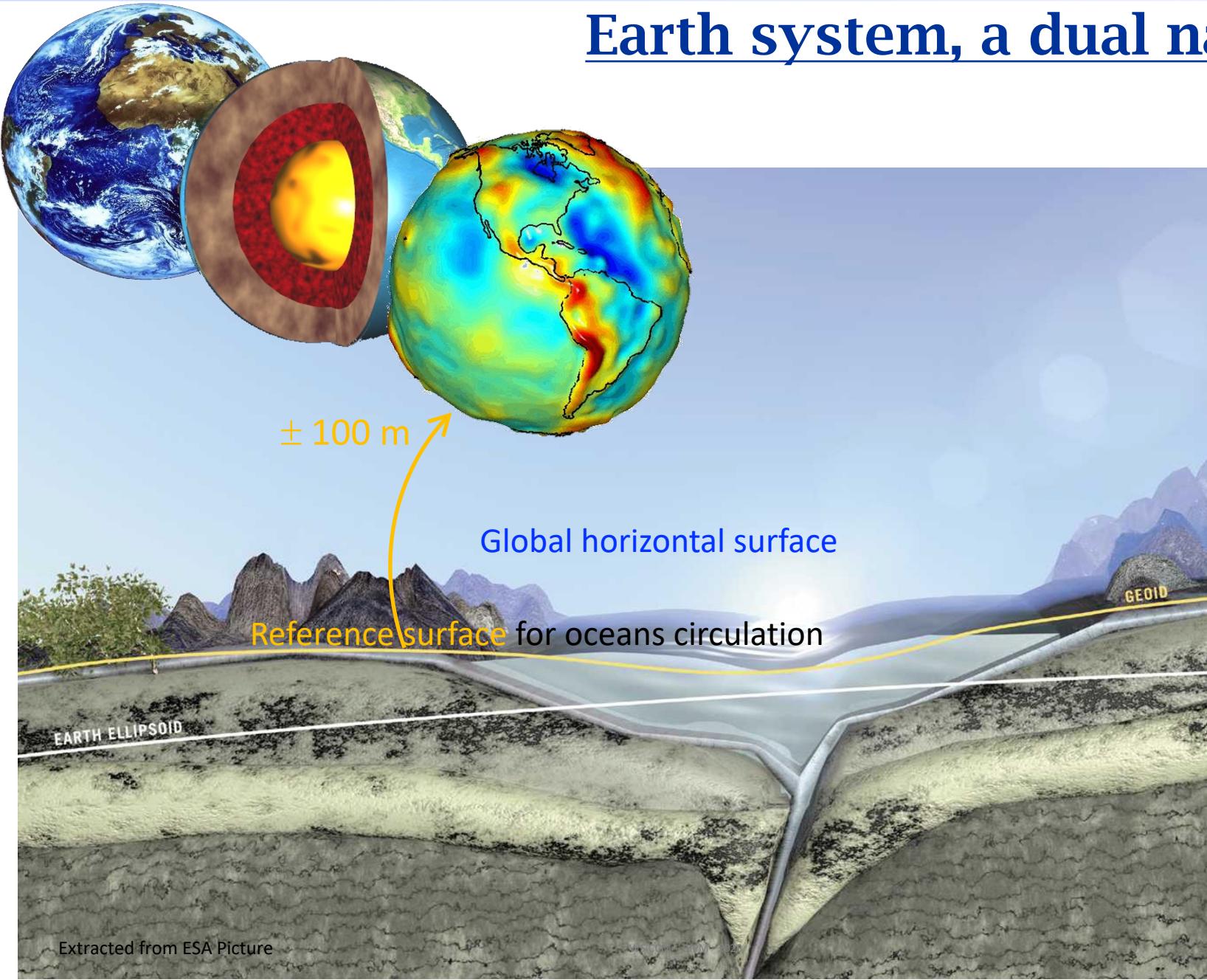
Atomic sensors metrology for long term and trustable monitoring of climate change Key Geodetic Parameters

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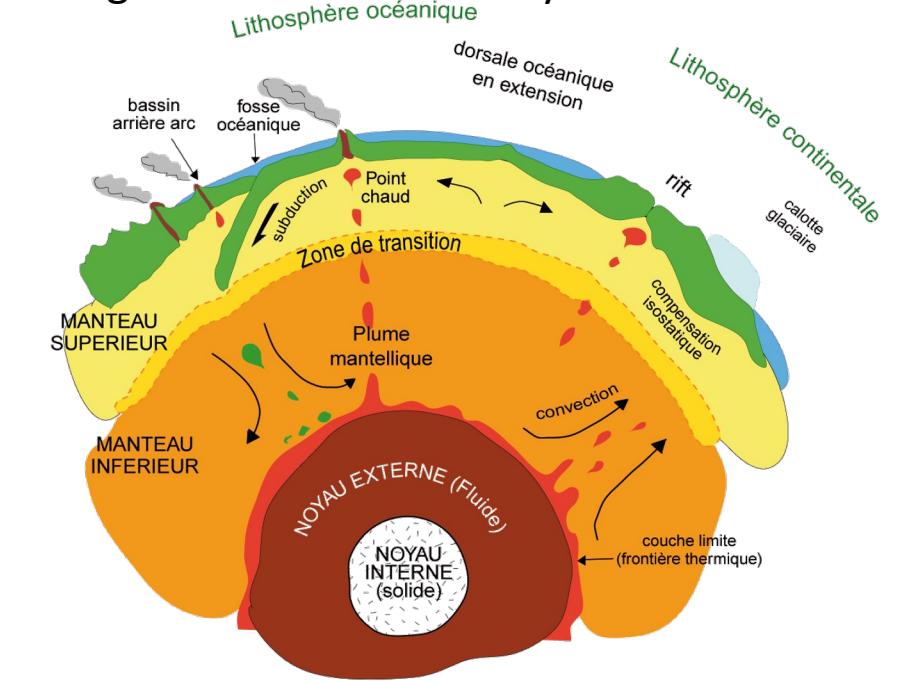
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Earth system, a dual nature



Integrated view on Earth system masses



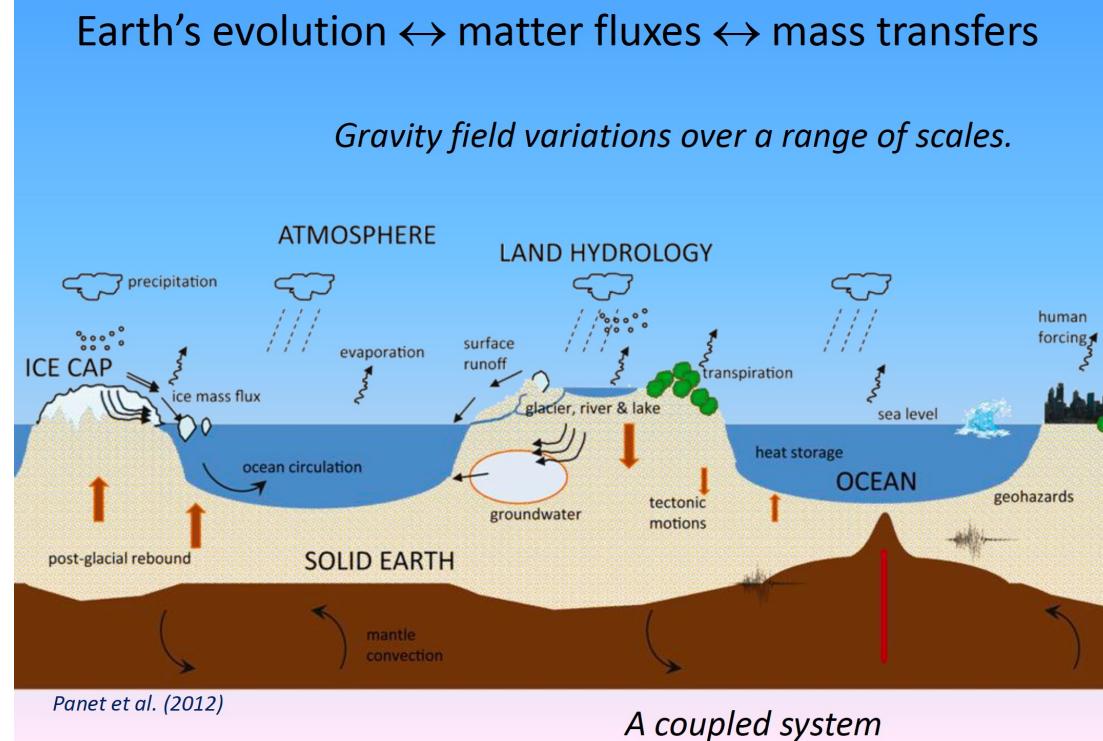
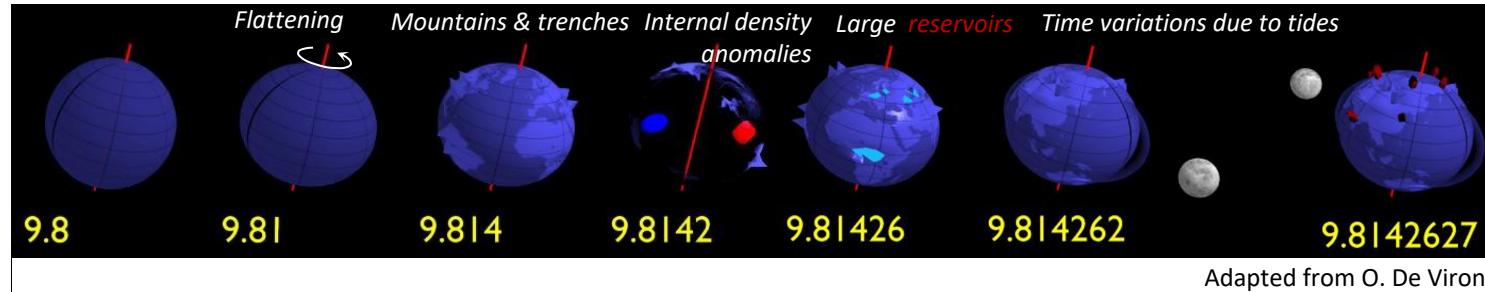
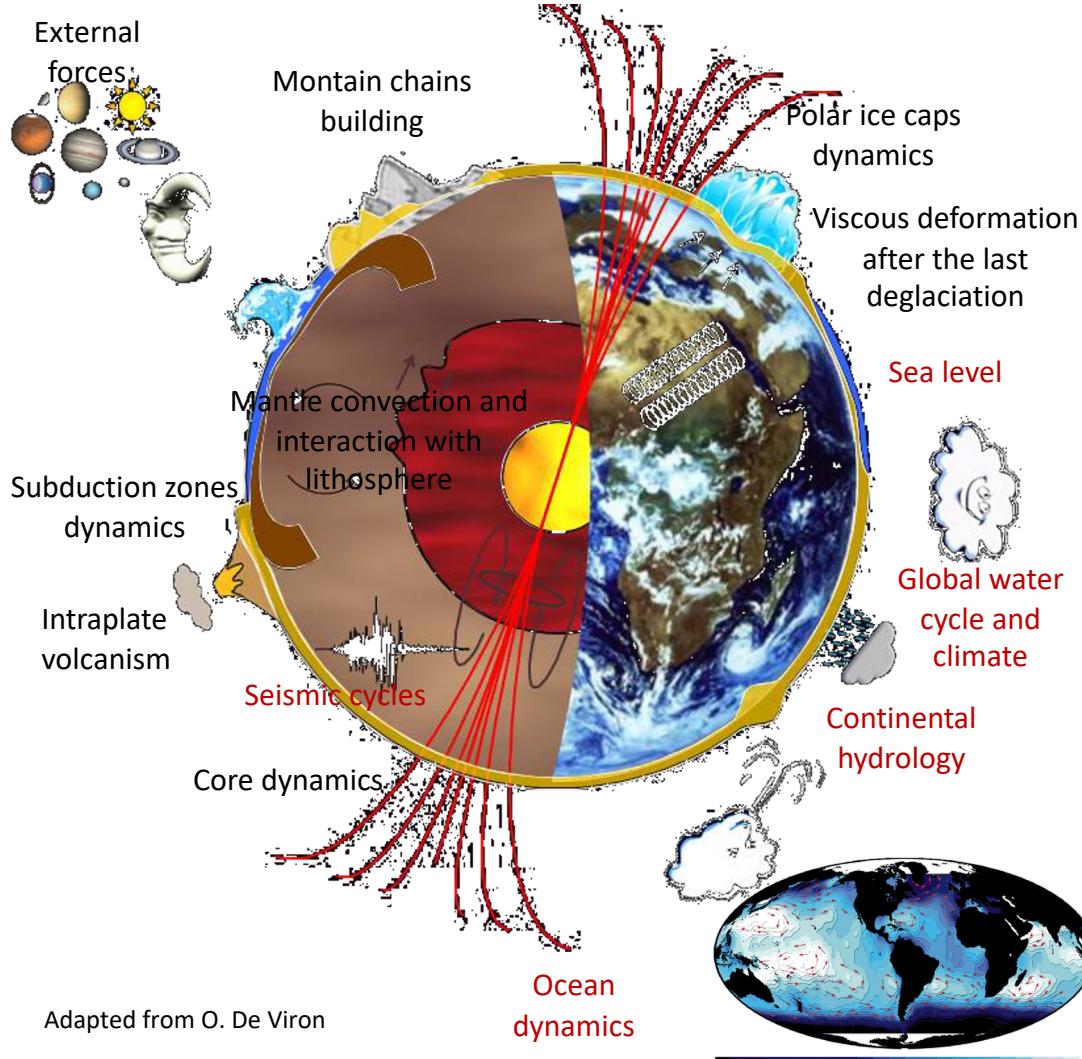
A nearly closed system

- Total mass conserved
- Exchange of energy with the outer space: primarily from solar heating

$$\vec{P} = m \vec{g}$$

Geophysics, Geodesy
... Metrology domain

Earth sciences, gravimetry



Energy, mass, geophysics and gravimetry domain
Needs for references (geoid) and trustables accurate measurements

Needs of Earth references

The United Nation resolution A/RE/69/266 “A Global Geodetic Reference Frame for sustainable development” (<https://undocs.org/en/A/RES/69/266>) calls for the **establishment of an improved Global Geodetic Reference Frame** (GGRF) which is essential for reliable determination of changes in the Earth system, for natural disaster management, for monitoring sea-level rise and climate change, and for providing accurate informations for decision-makers.

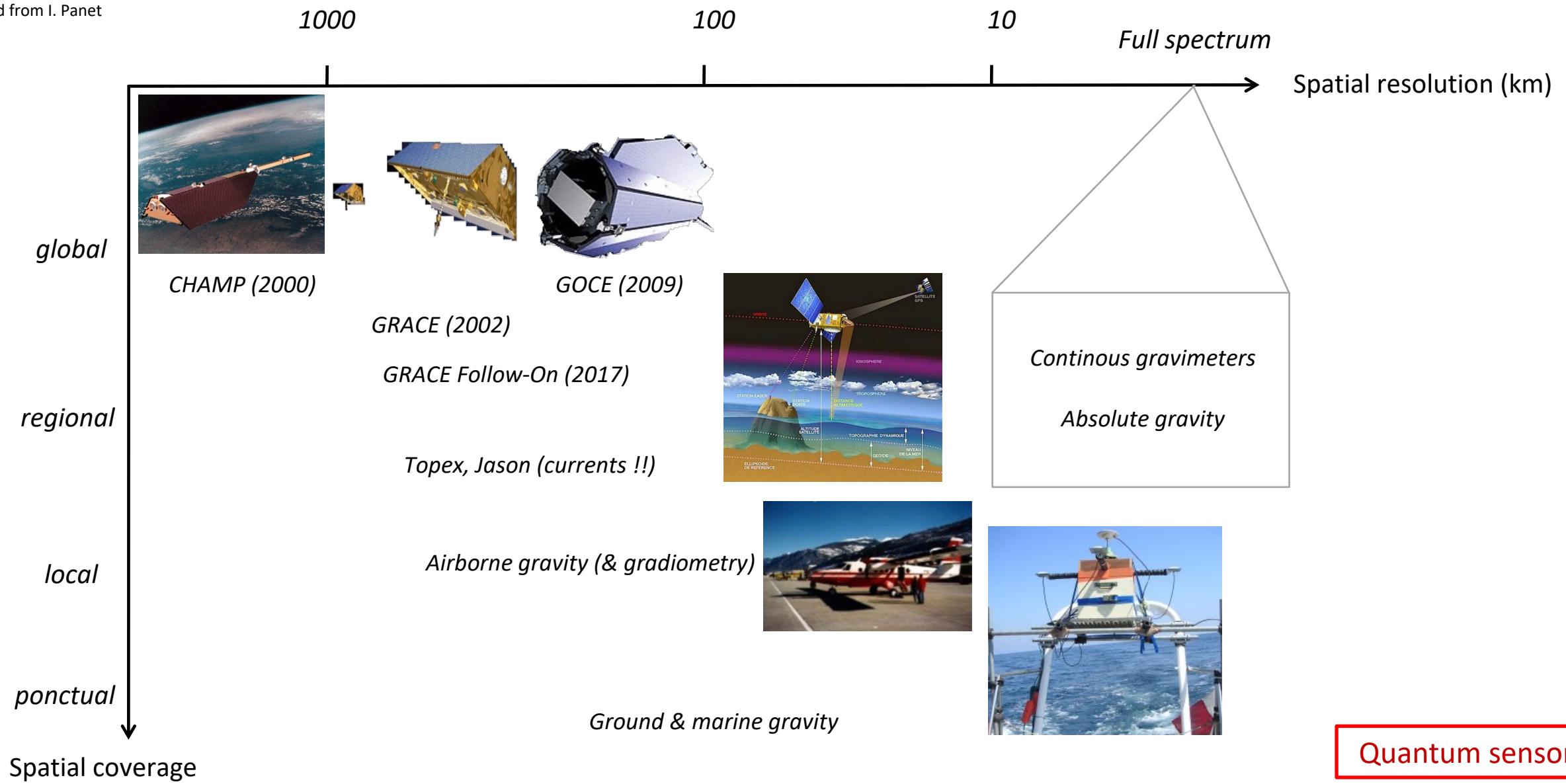
The United Nations proclaimed a Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development, to be held from 2021 to 2030. With the Global Ocean Observing System (GOOS) (<https://www.goosocean.org/>), a program executed by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) of the UNESCO, the pursued goals can be summarized as follows : (i) assess the cumulative impacts of climate change and (ii) observe, understand in order to anticipate, inform and adapt.

Survey of gravity evolution. Science based on long term observations.

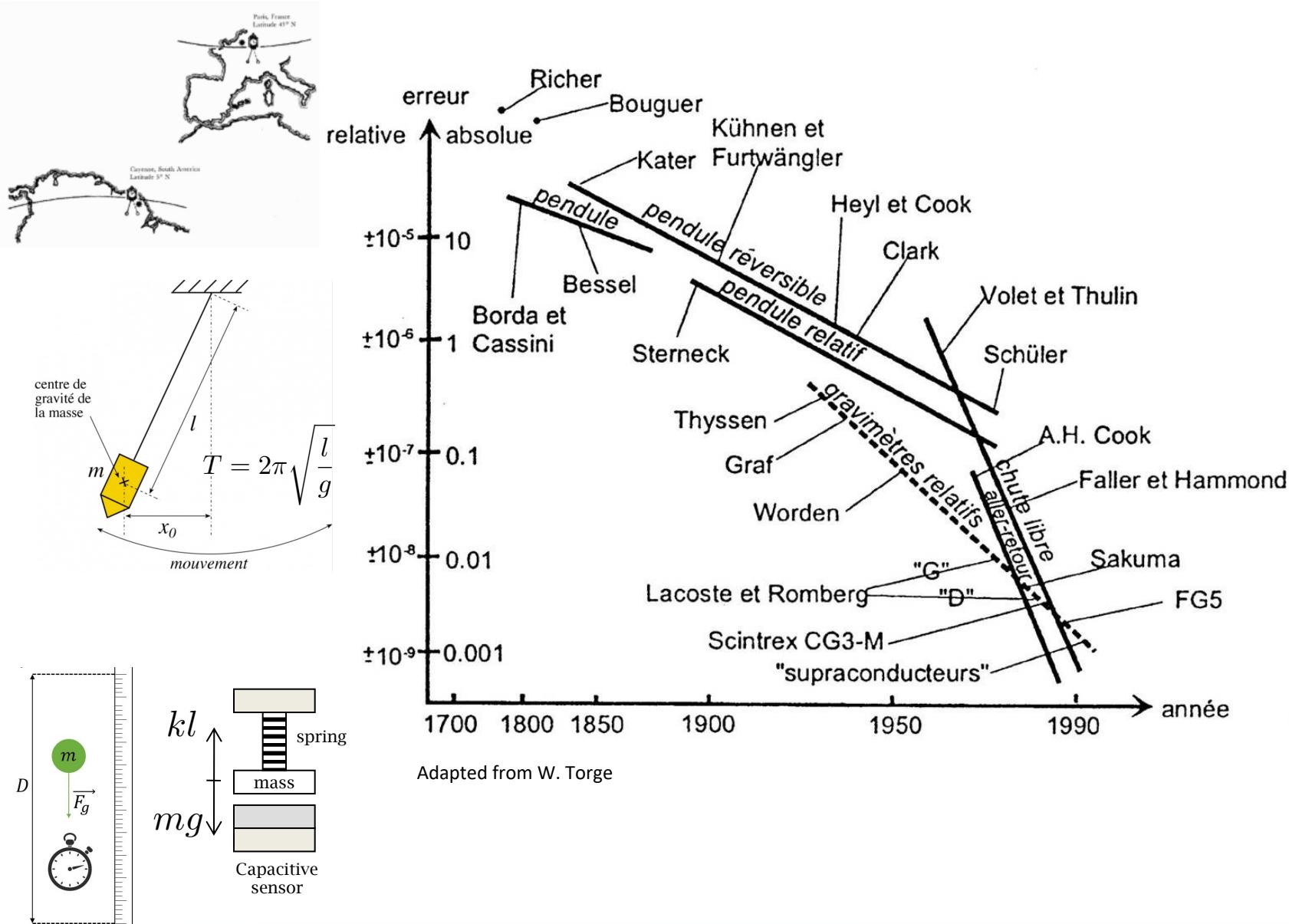
Instruments based on quantum technologies offer decisive advantages due to their intrinsic properties: accuracy, SI traceability, stability, which will revolutionize the measurement practices in geodesy.

Measurements (up to now)

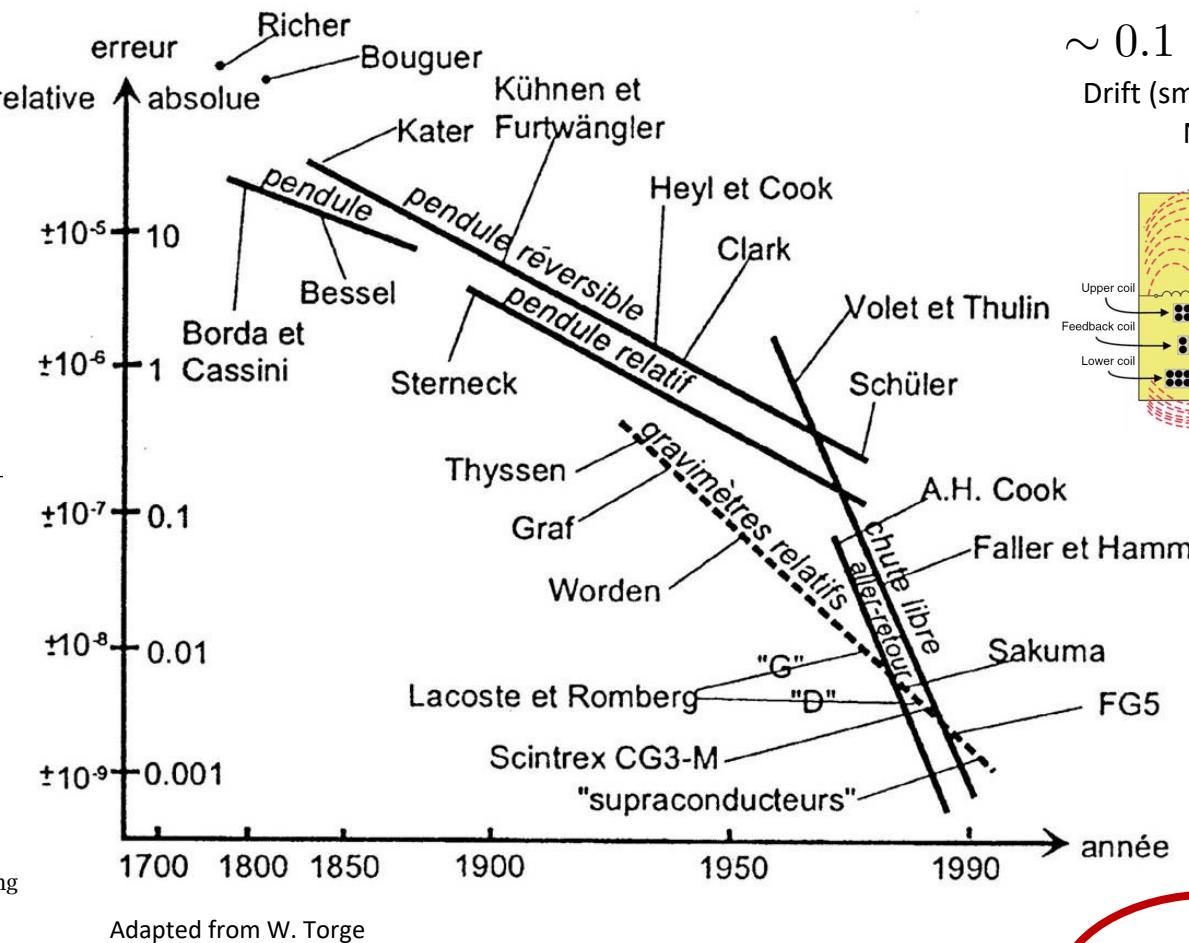
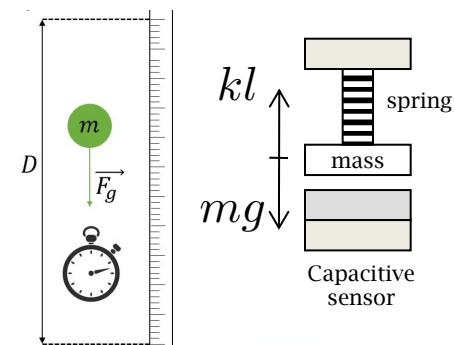
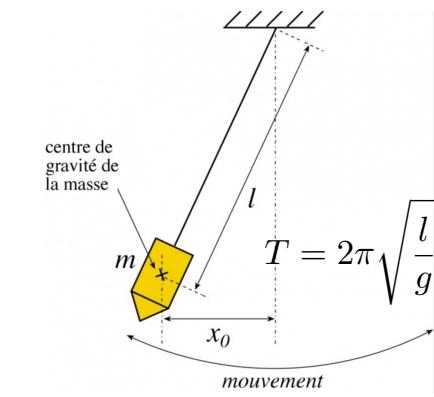
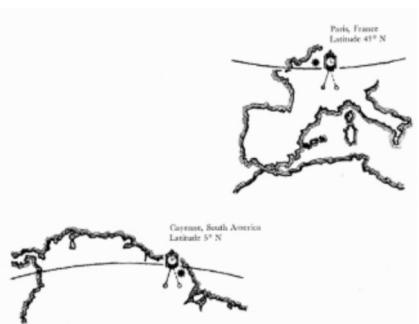
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Instruments



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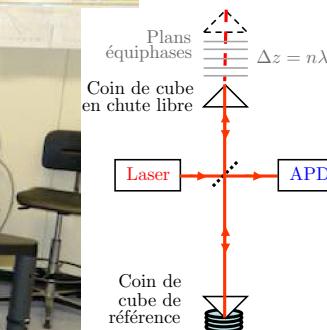
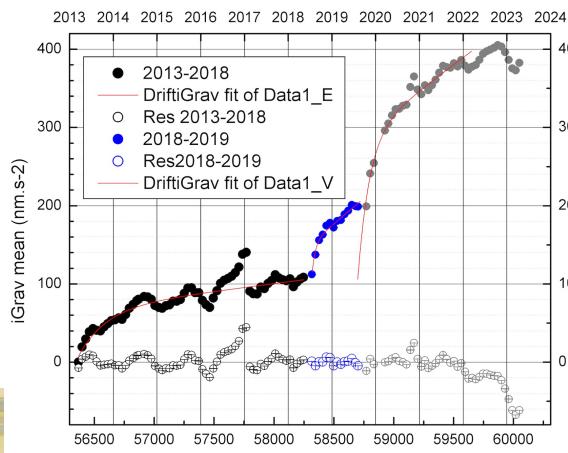
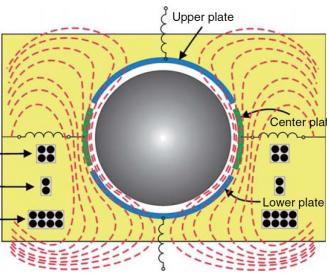


Continuous (1 Hz averaged)

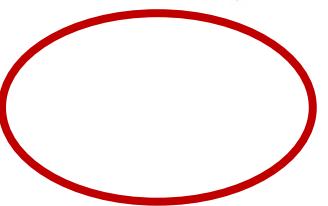
$\sim 0.1 \text{ nm.s}^{-2}$ in 1 000 s

Drift (small but NL in the 2 first years)

Not accurate, to be calibrated

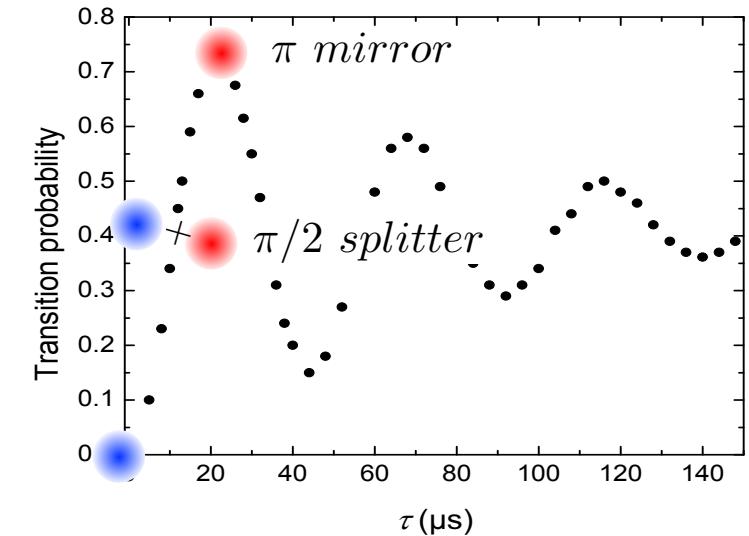
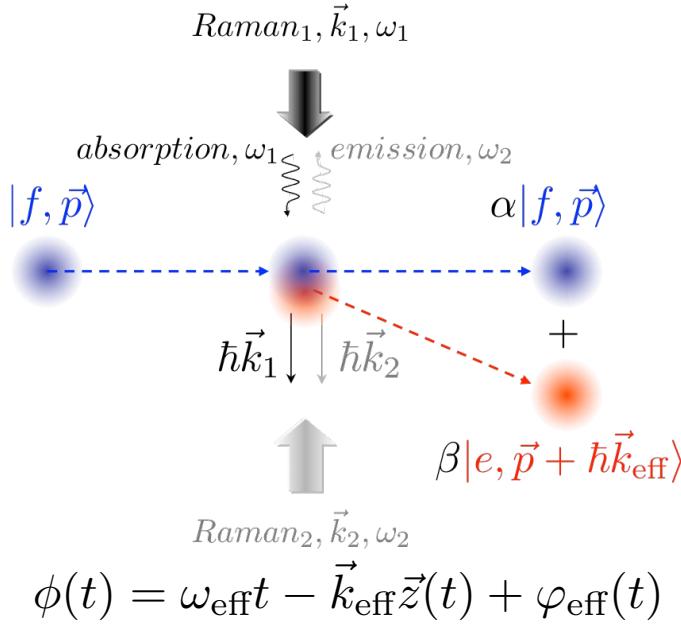
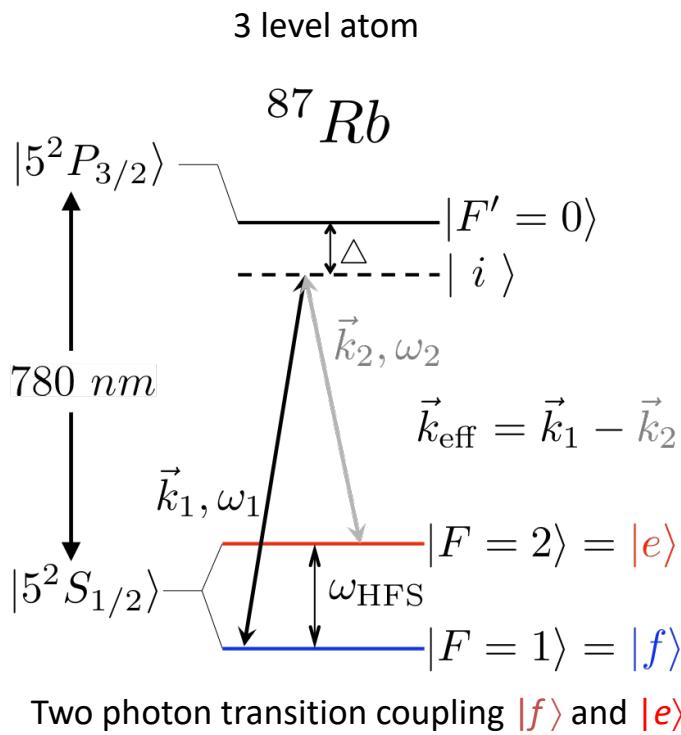


Not continuous (0.3 Hz)
dead time, #FF limited
 $20 - 30 \text{ nm.s}^{-2}$
 $\sim 10 \text{ nm.s}^{-2}$ in 90 s

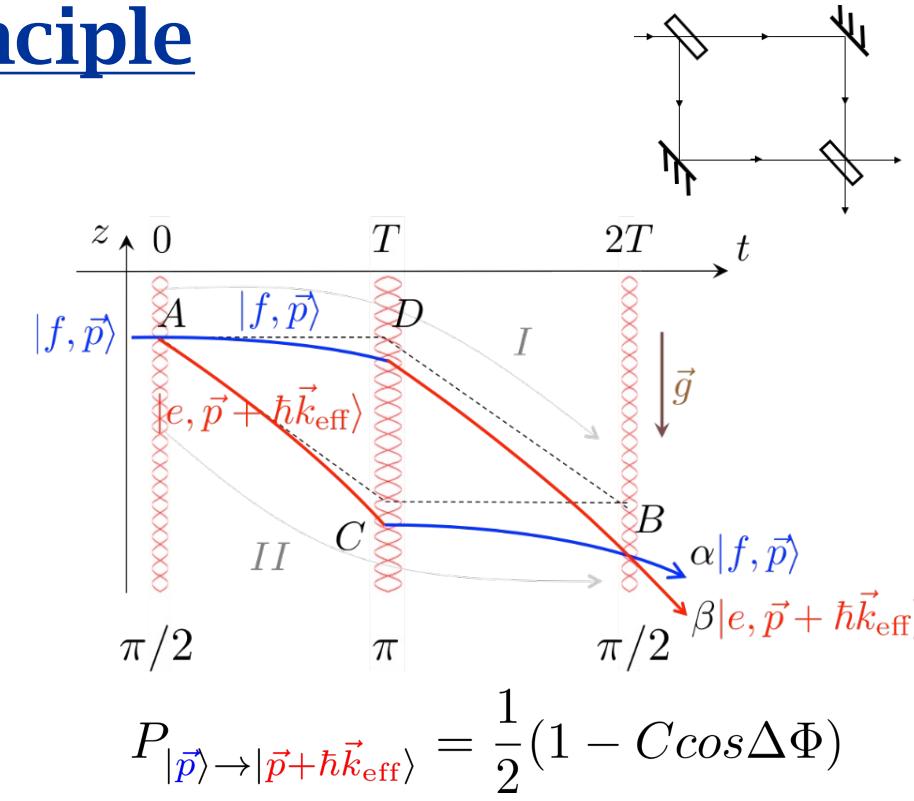
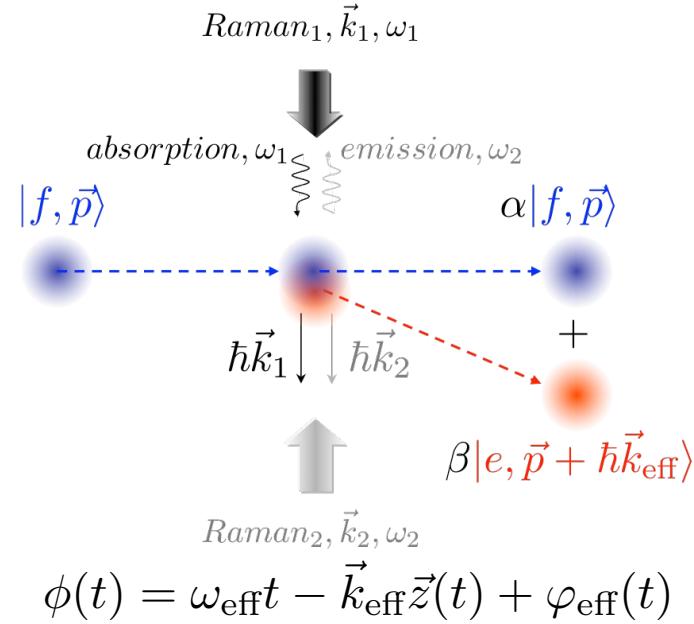
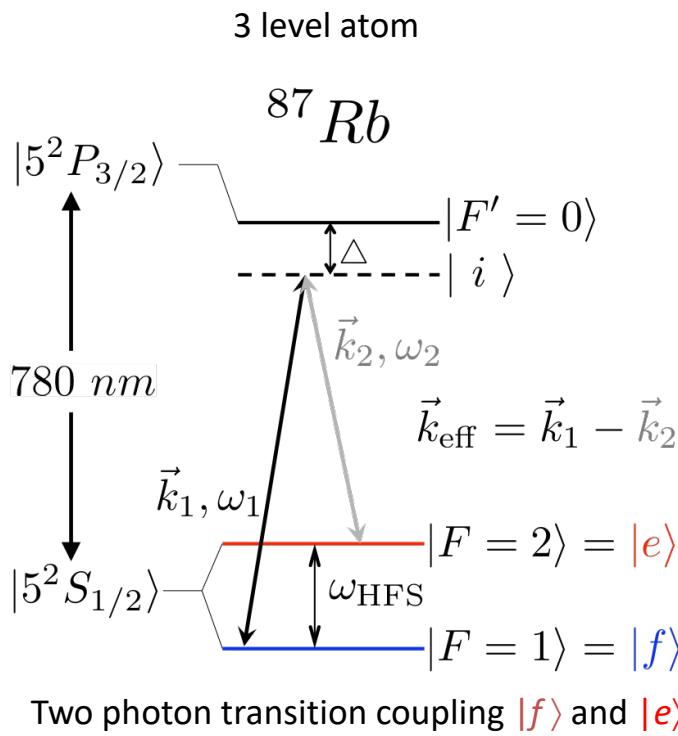


Needs of accurate and continuous sensors, new sensors, new ideas
Quantum Technologies ?

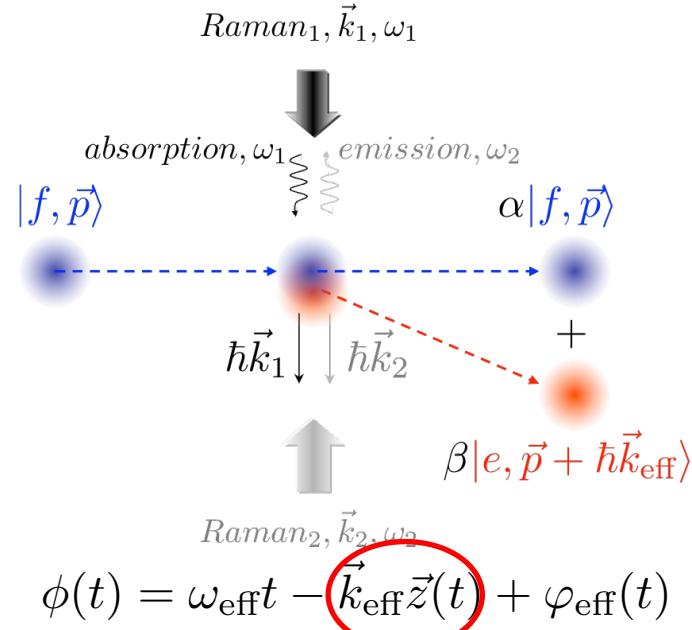
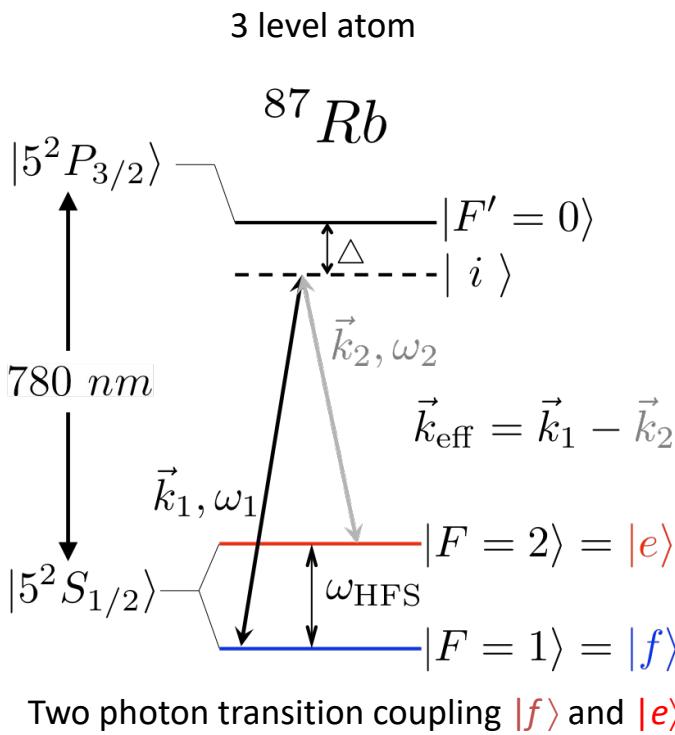
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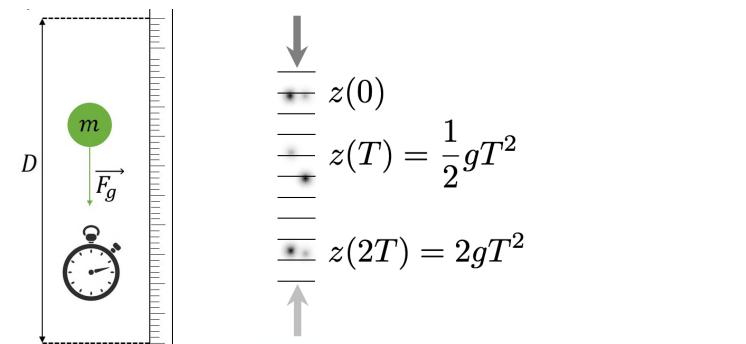
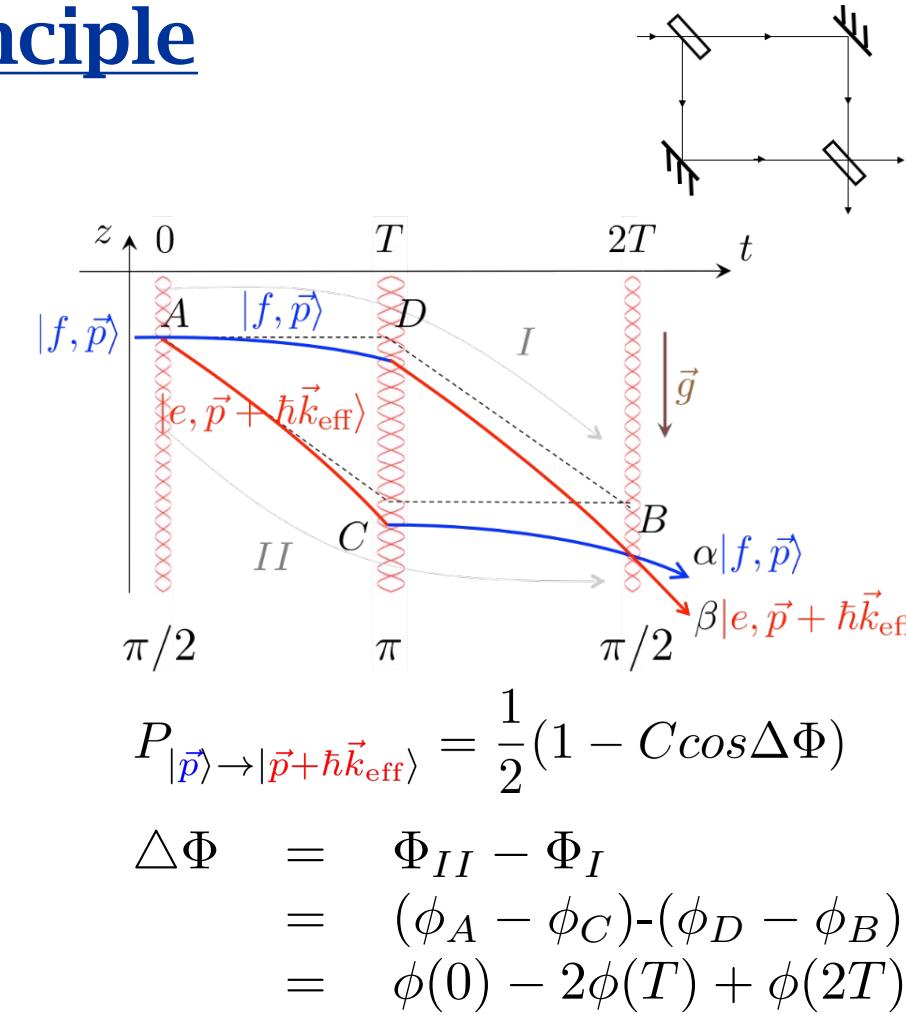
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$$z = \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

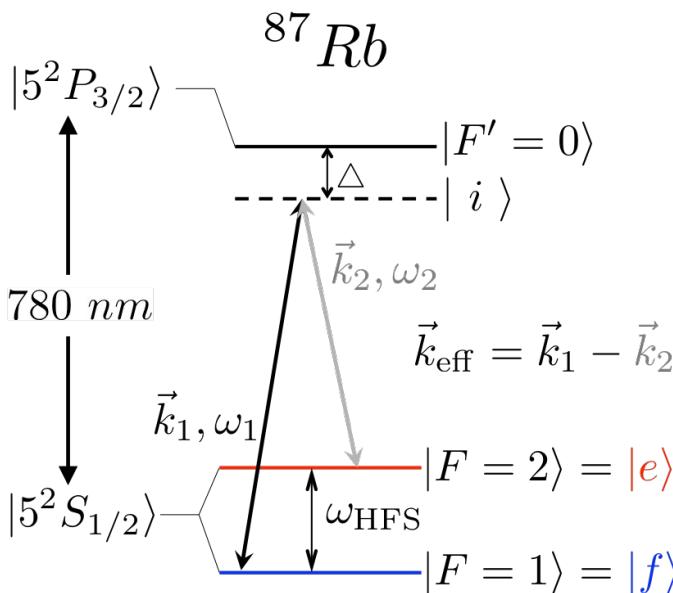
$$\Delta\Phi = -\vec{k}_{\text{eff}}\vec{g}T^2 + \delta\Phi_{\text{noise}} + \delta\Phi_{\text{syst}}$$

Scales as T^2 , benefits of cold atoms

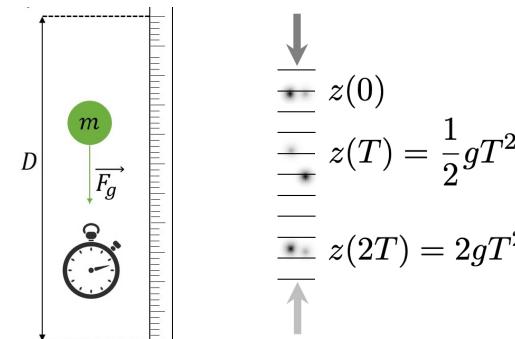


Atom Interferometer, principle

3 level atom

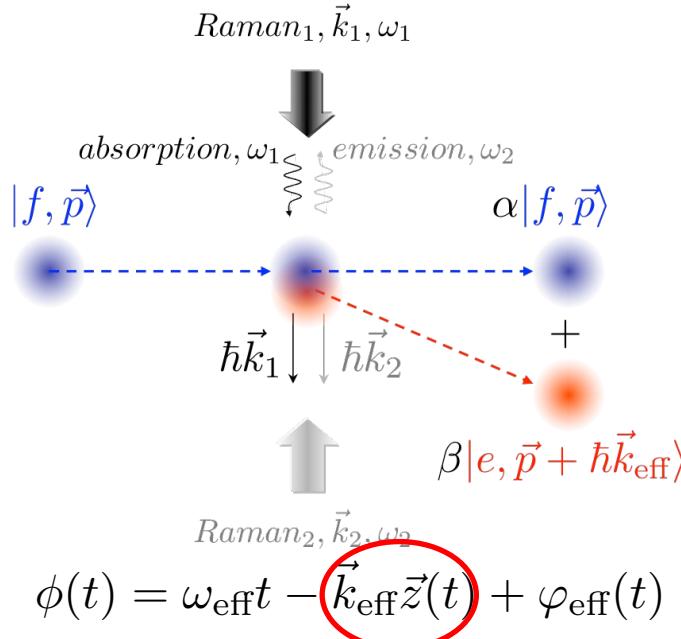


Sampling of the positions at the 3 pulses

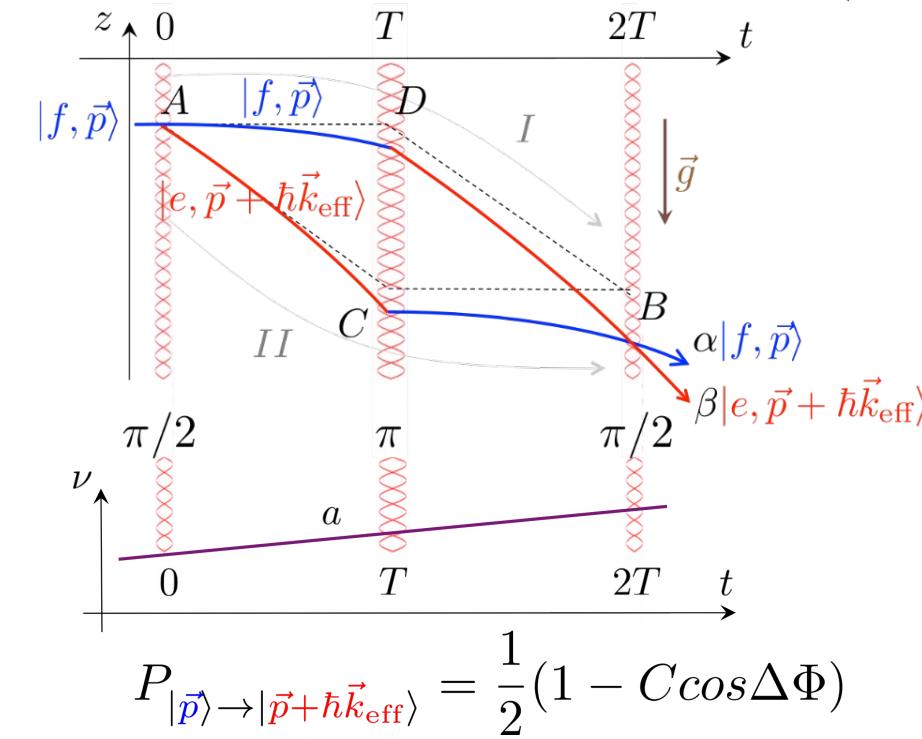


Gravity is a frequency measurement

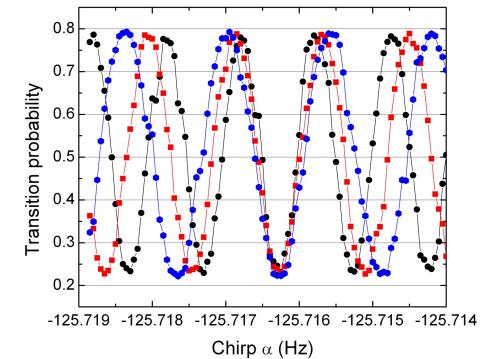
$$g = a/k_{\text{eff}}$$



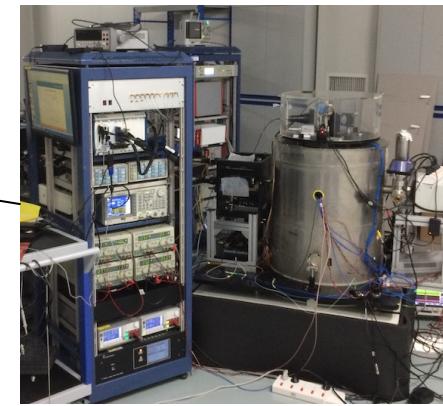
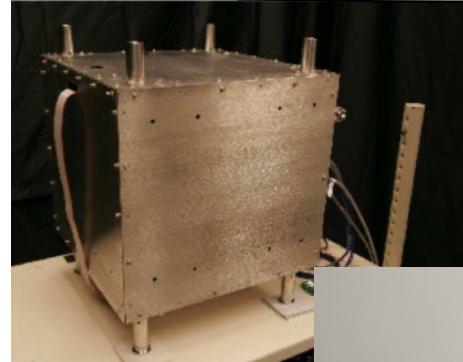
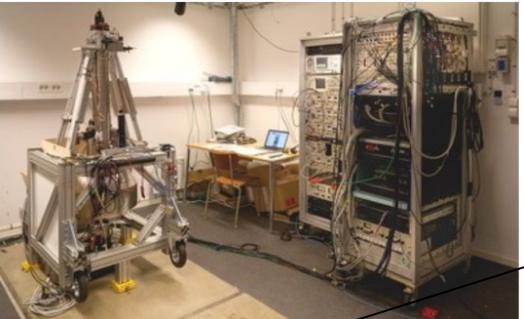
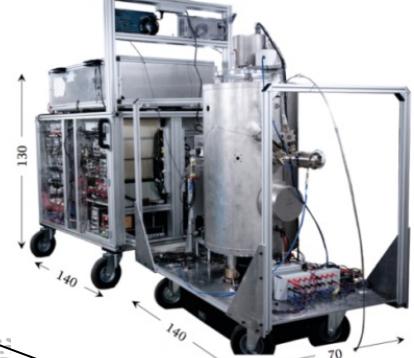
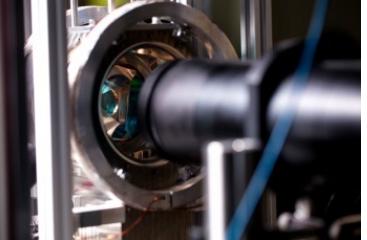
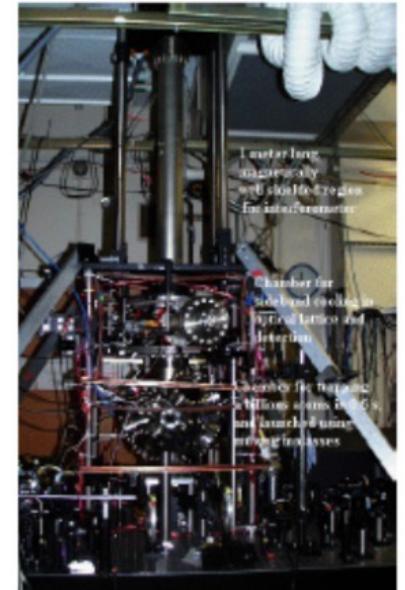
$$\omega_1 - \omega_2 = \omega_e - \omega_f + \vec{k}_{\text{eff}}\vec{v}(t) + \frac{\hbar k_{\text{eff}}^2}{2m}$$



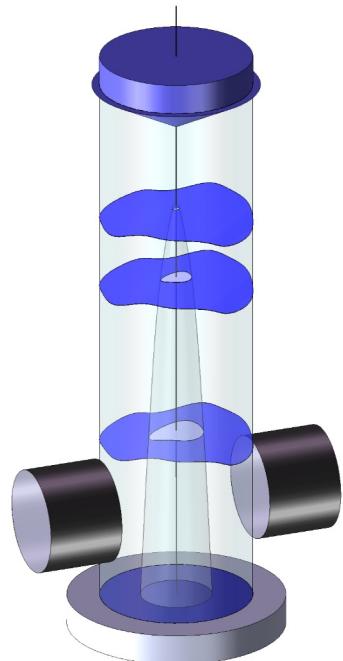
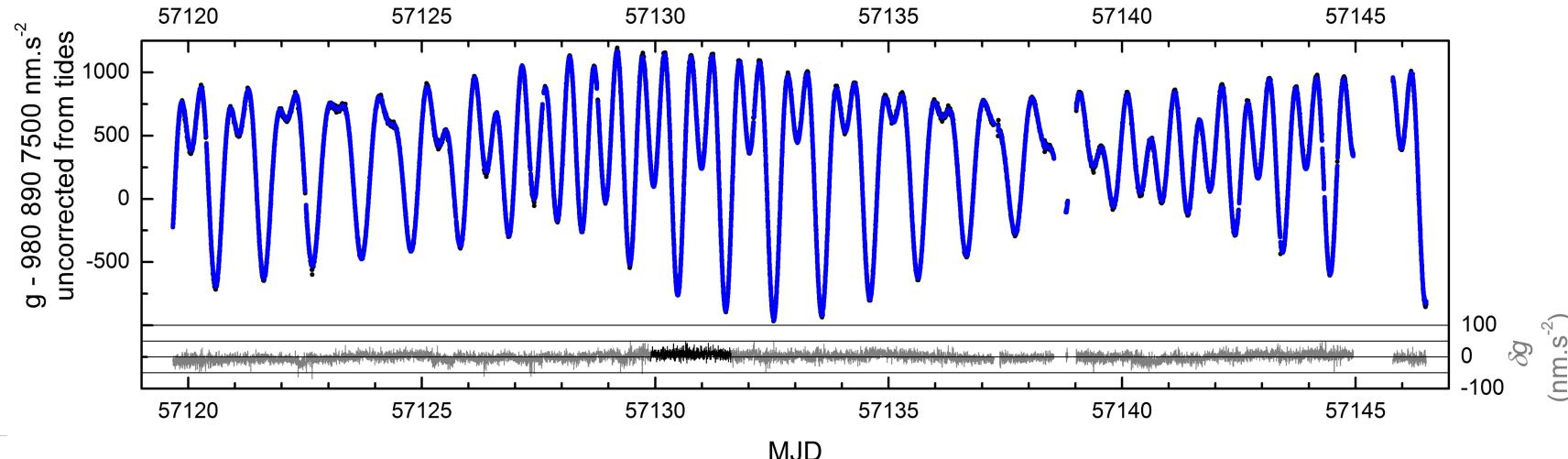
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Huge worldwide activity



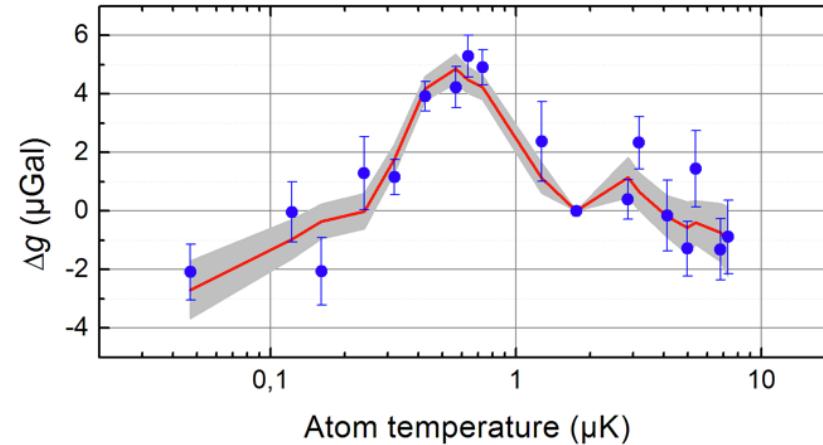
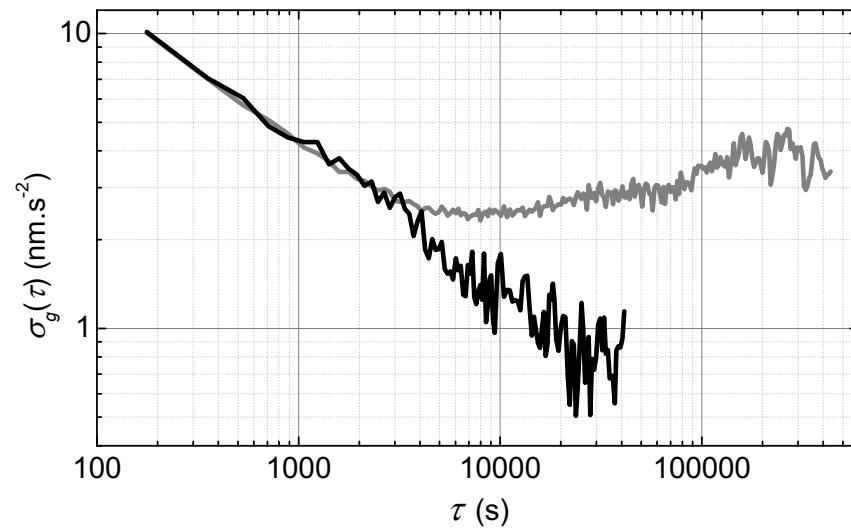
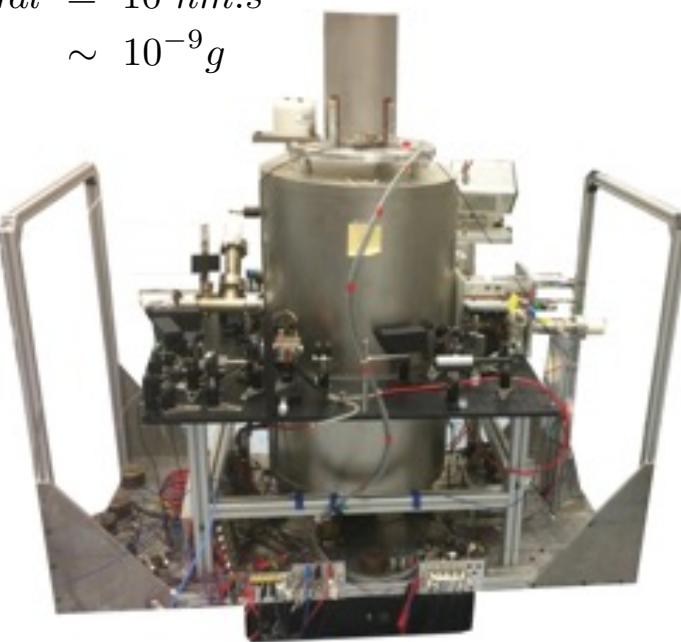
LNE-SYRTE sensor



Effect	Bias μGal	u μGal
Alignments	0.3	0.5
Frequency reference	0.5	<0.1
RF phase shift	0.0	<0.1
v_{gg}	-13.4	<0.1
Self gravity effect	-2.1	0.1
Coriolis	-5.3	0.8
Wavefront aberrations	-5.6	1.3
LS1	0.0	<0.1
Zeeman	0.0	<0.1
LS2	-3.6	0.8
Detection offset	0.0	0.5
Optical power	0.0	0.5
Cloud indice	0.4	<0.1
Cold collisions	<0.1	<0.1
CPT	0.0	<0.1
Raman α LS	0.3	<0.1
Finite Speed of Light	0.0	<0.1
TOTAL	-28.5	2.0

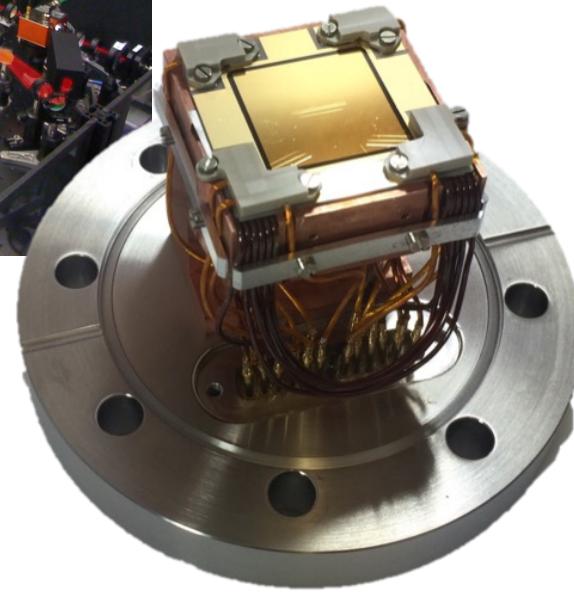
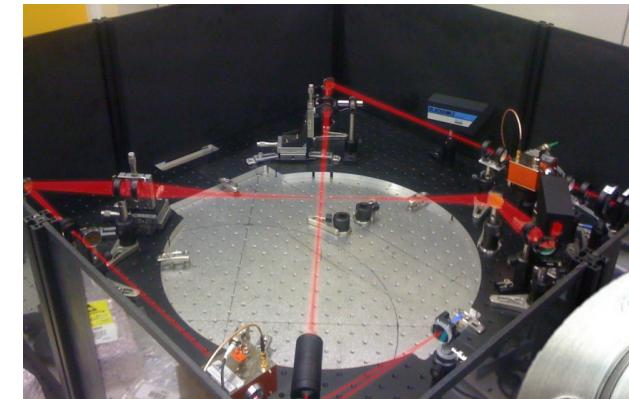
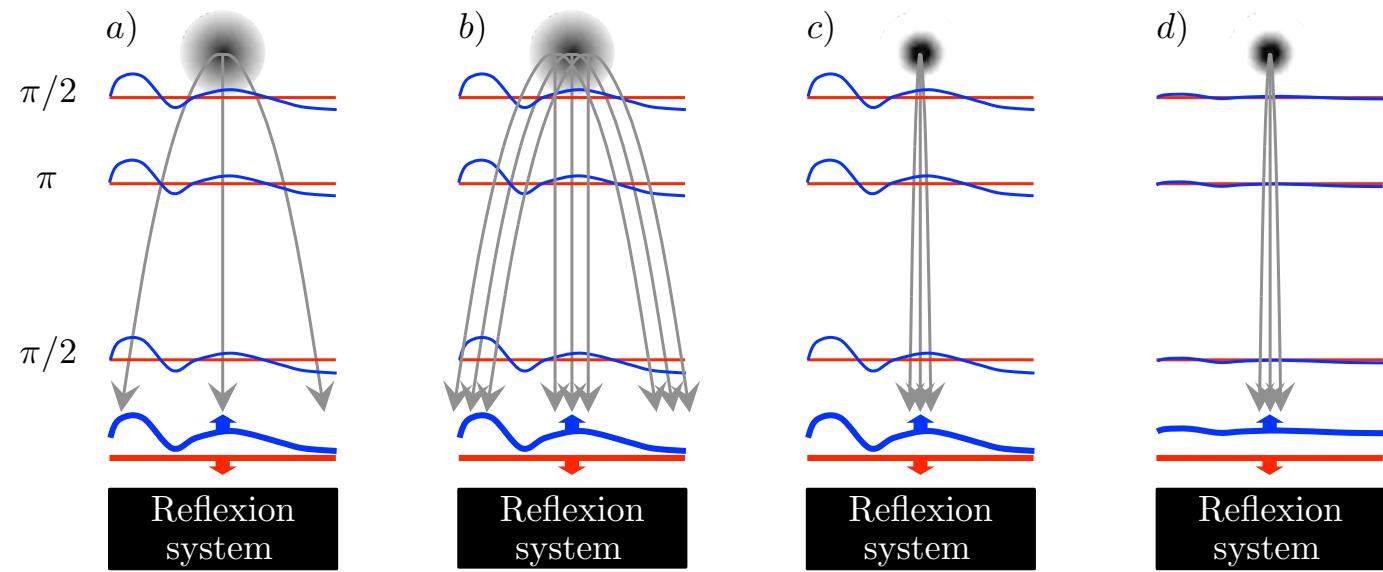
$$1 \mu\text{Gal} = 10 \text{ nm.s}^{-2}$$

$$\sim 10^{-9} g$$



Several teams at similar level
Comparison needed. How to go further ?

Evolution, improvement



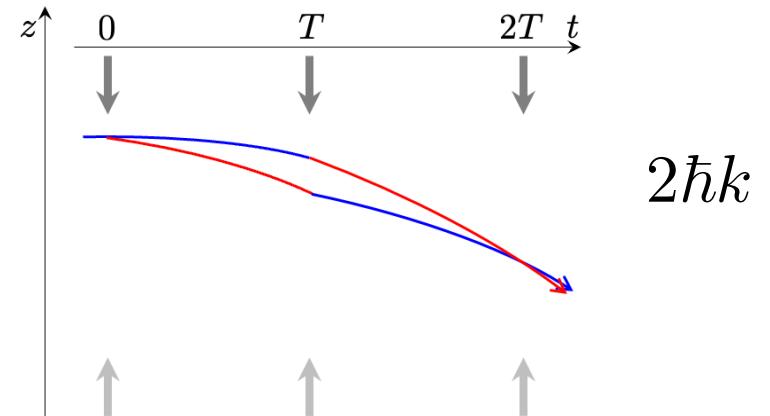
From cold (μK) to ultra-cold (nK) atomic source : optical or magnetic trap (fast)

- Metrological tool to investigate wavefront bias : accuracy
- Stabilize the atom source point : long term sensitivity

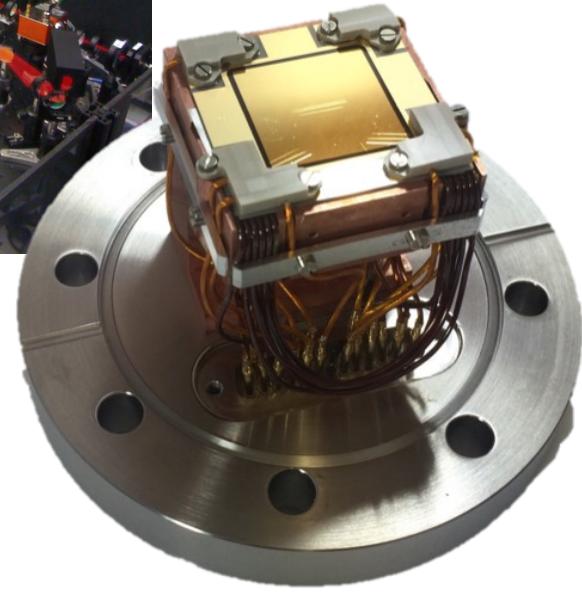
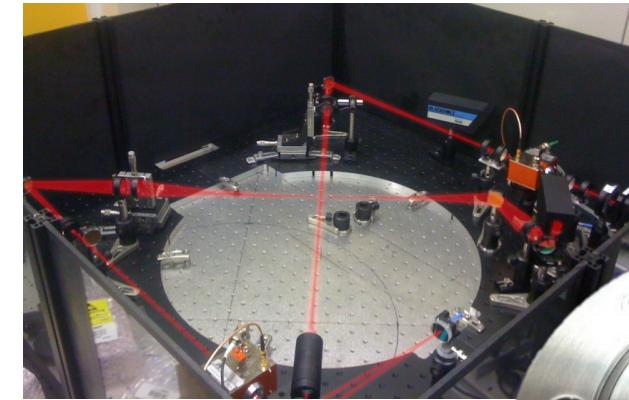
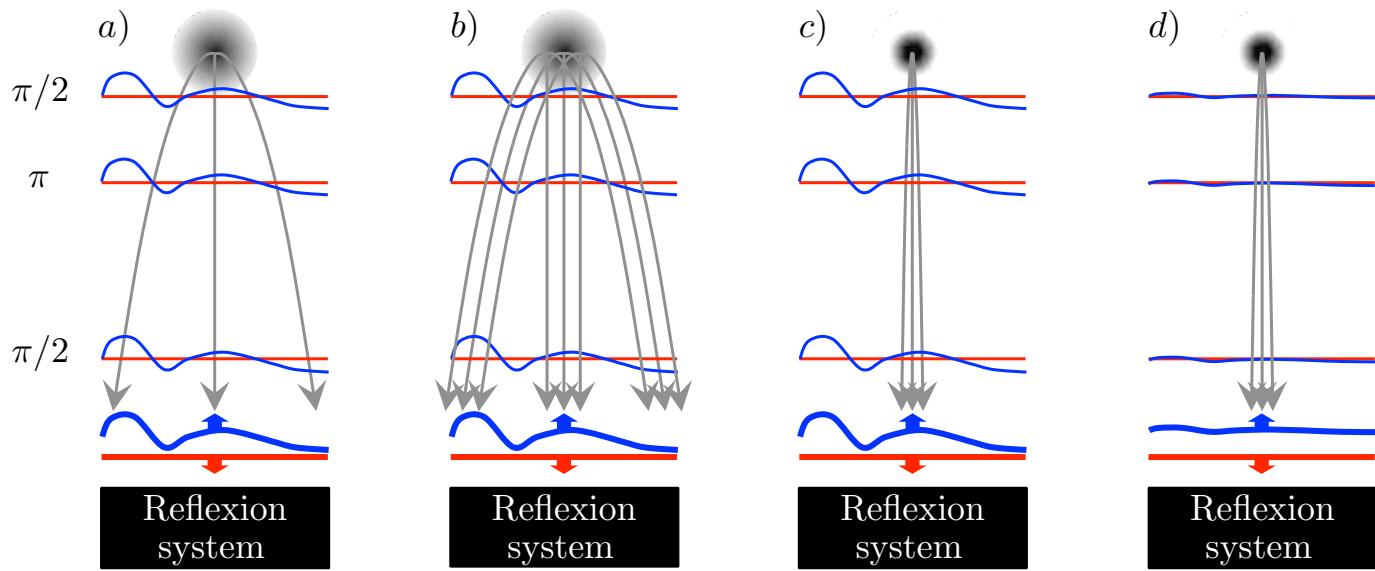
From 2 to $2 \times N$ photon transitions : LMT, Bragg
(and T)

→ Improve the scale factor, so sensitivity

$$\Delta\Phi = \vec{k}_{\text{eff}} \vec{g} T^2$$



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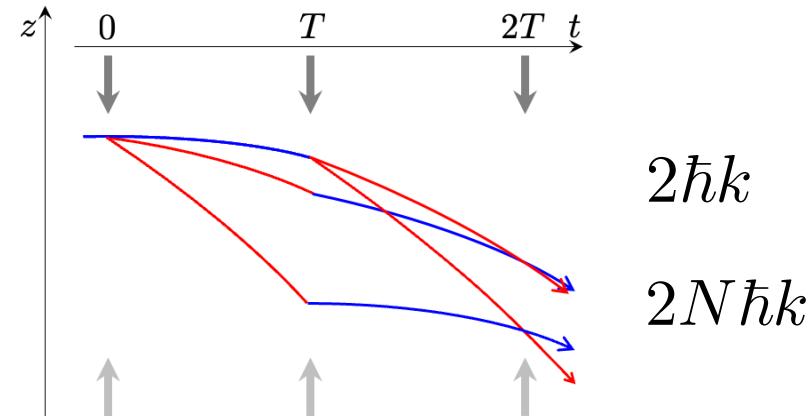
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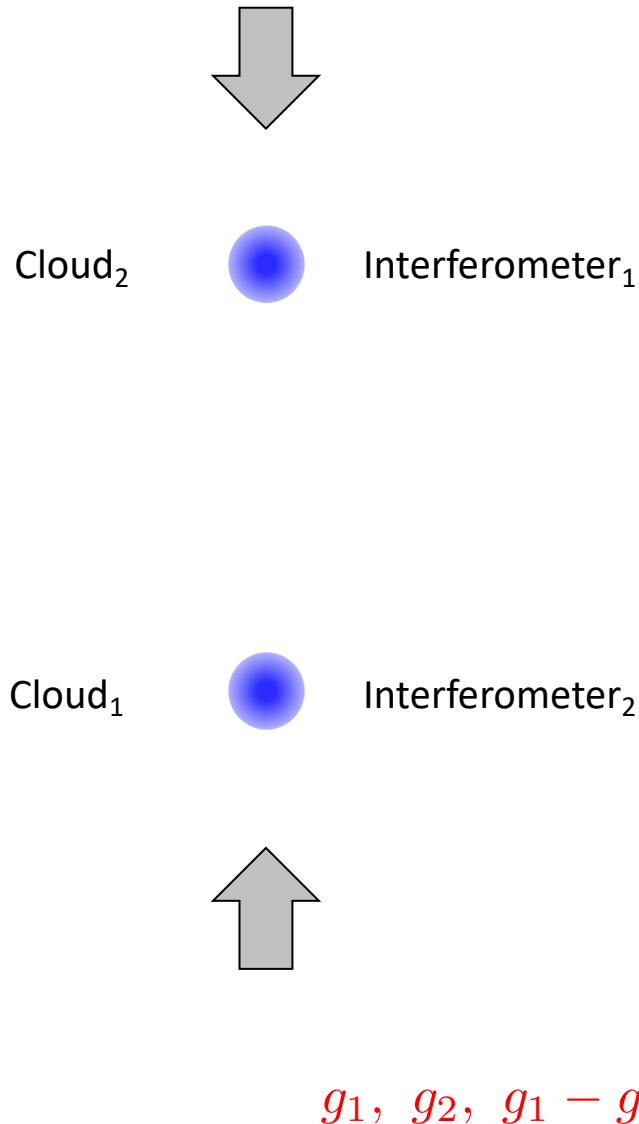
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New sensors, with improvements

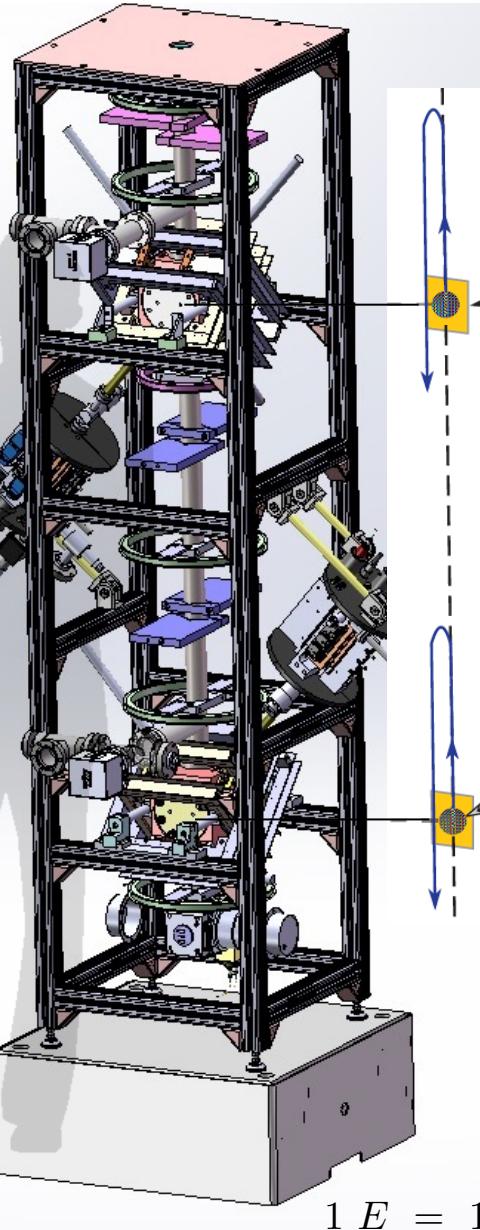


- Simultaneous interferometers on two cold atom clouds with common lasers
- Differential measurement allows for extracting the acceleration difference (and thus the Earth gravity gradient)
- Suppression of common mode noise, and in particular of the vibration noise
- Adapted for onboard measurements
- g and Δg : resolve ambiguities in determination of mass and position

With the new tools

- High order Bragg diffraction LMBS with up to N photons
- Ultracold atoms Fast generation on atom chip

Quantum dual gravi-gradio meter



- 2 ultracold Rb clouds obtained on 2 chips
- 2 clouds launched with elevator
- 2 Interferometers driven by LMTB

Targeted parameters

$$T_c = 2s \quad N_{\text{atoms}} = 5 \cdot 10^5$$

$$T_{\text{temp}} = 10 - 100 nK$$

$$p = 100 \hbar k \quad 2T = 0.5s$$

$$\sigma_g^1 = 9 \times 10^{-11} m.s^{-2}.Hz^{-1/2}$$

If limitated by QNP

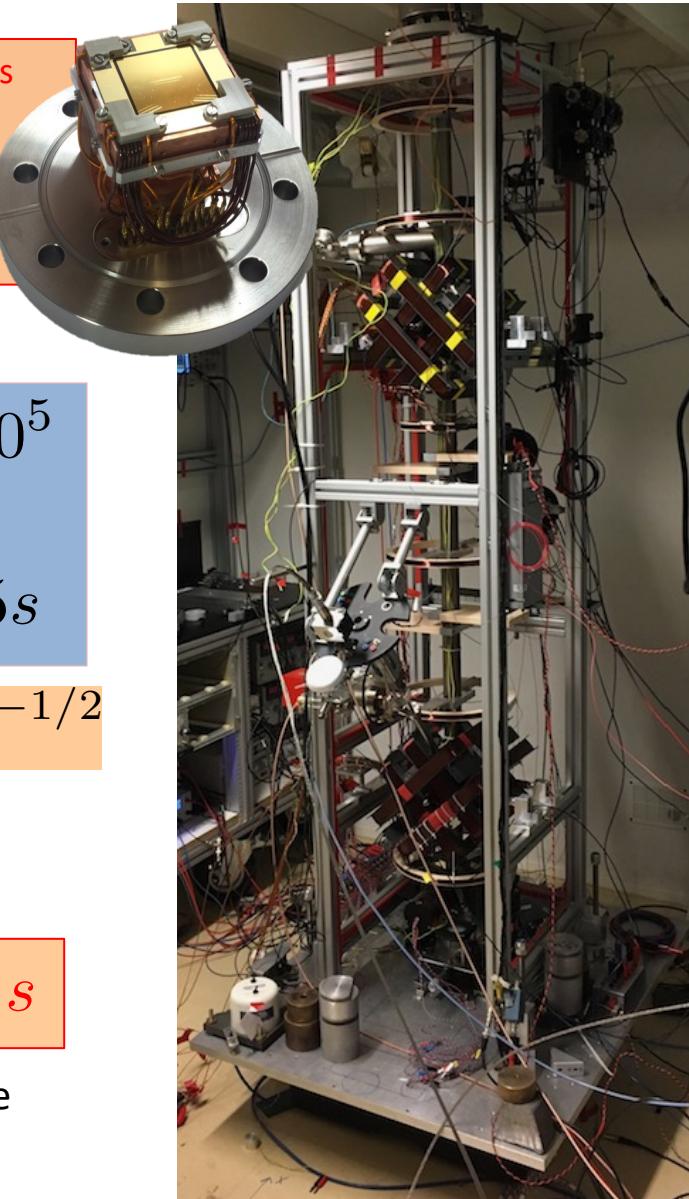
$$\Delta z = 1m$$

$$\sigma_{\text{gradg}} = 126 \text{ } mE @ 1s$$

More than one order of magnitude
better than state of the art

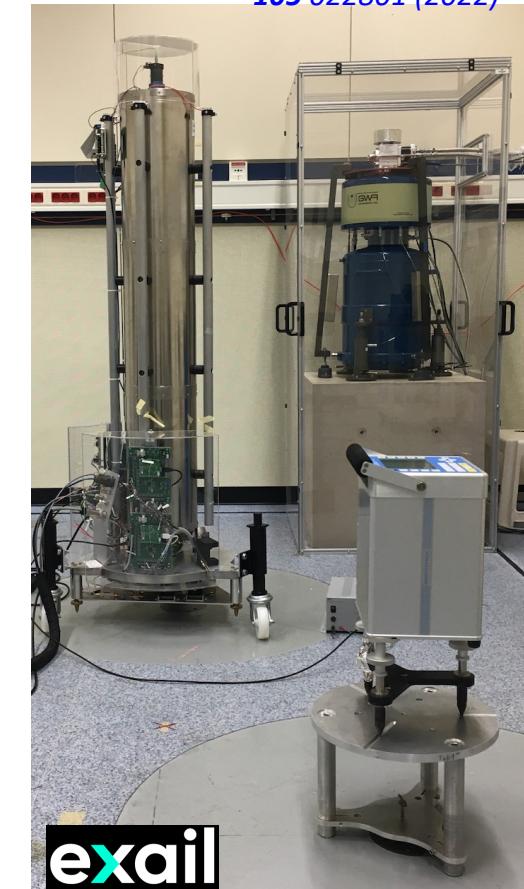
$$1 E = 10^{-9} s^{-2} = 0.1 \mu \text{Gal.m}^{-1}$$

R. Caldani et al., Phys. Rev. A 99 033601 (2019)



Method of dual measurement transferred in frame of a collaboration.

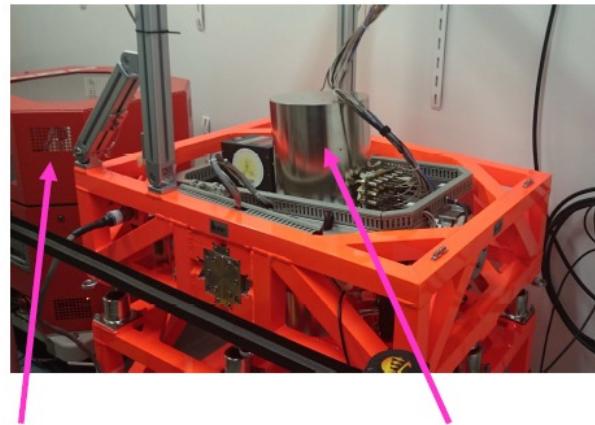
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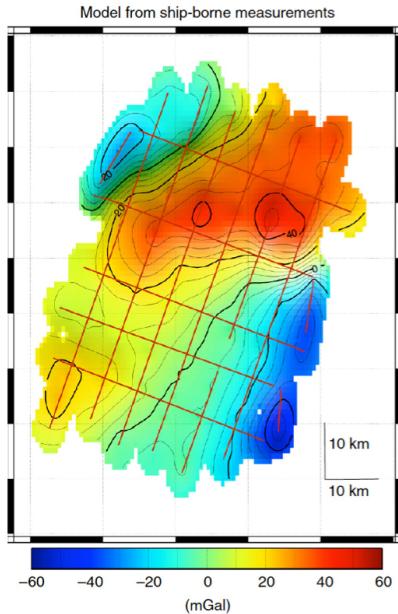
Mobile sensors : more than transportable, onboard measurements

ONERA compact gravimeter for marine gravimetry cartography



Y. Bidel et al Nat Commun. 9, 627 (2018)

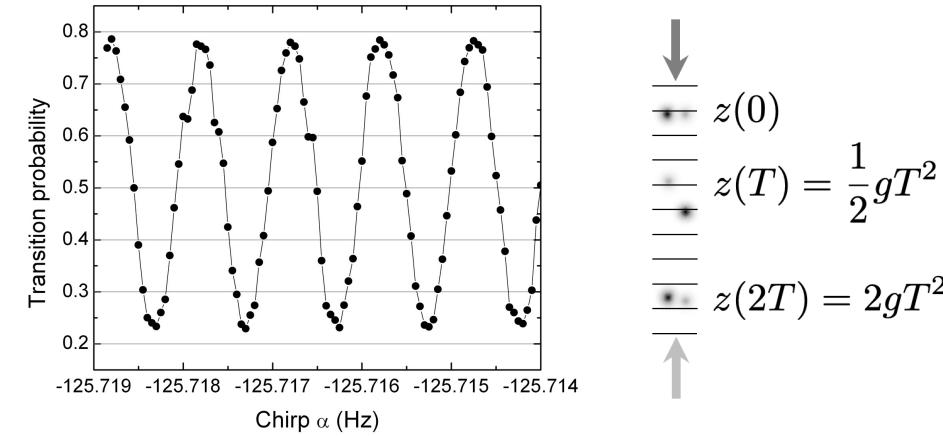
KSS32 relative Marine Gravimeter
(Bodenseewerk) Cold Atom Gravimeter
(Onera)



With a gyrostabilised platform.
Better performance of Girafe2
absolute sensor: suppression
of errors due to initial
calibration and drift of relative
sensor. **Gain : factor 2-3**

+ flying campaign

Y. Bidel et al J. Geod. 94, 20 (2020)



ADEQUADE (Advanced, Disruptive and Emerging QUAntum technologies for Defense)
European Defence Fund lead by THALES
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Strap down sensor: so franges problem, atom
in the beam ? control optimal, tip tilt, top hat

Going farer ? Space

Space

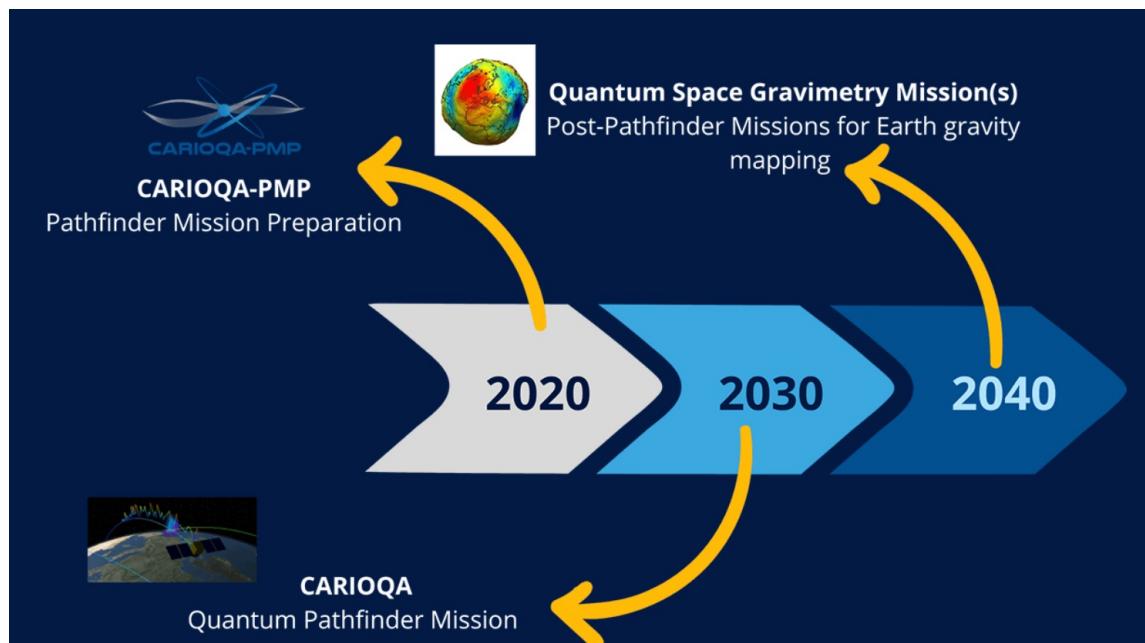


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The diagram shows a satellite in space with a cold atom interferometer. Two paths, A and B, are shown for the cold atoms. Path A goes up and down, while Path B goes around the Earth. The paths are labeled with phase shifts ϕ_1 , ϕ_2 , and ϕ_3 . The diagram also shows a globe with many small clock icons, representing geodesy. The text "Image by NASA/JPL/USGS via Earth-iS-Basic" is visible on the left.

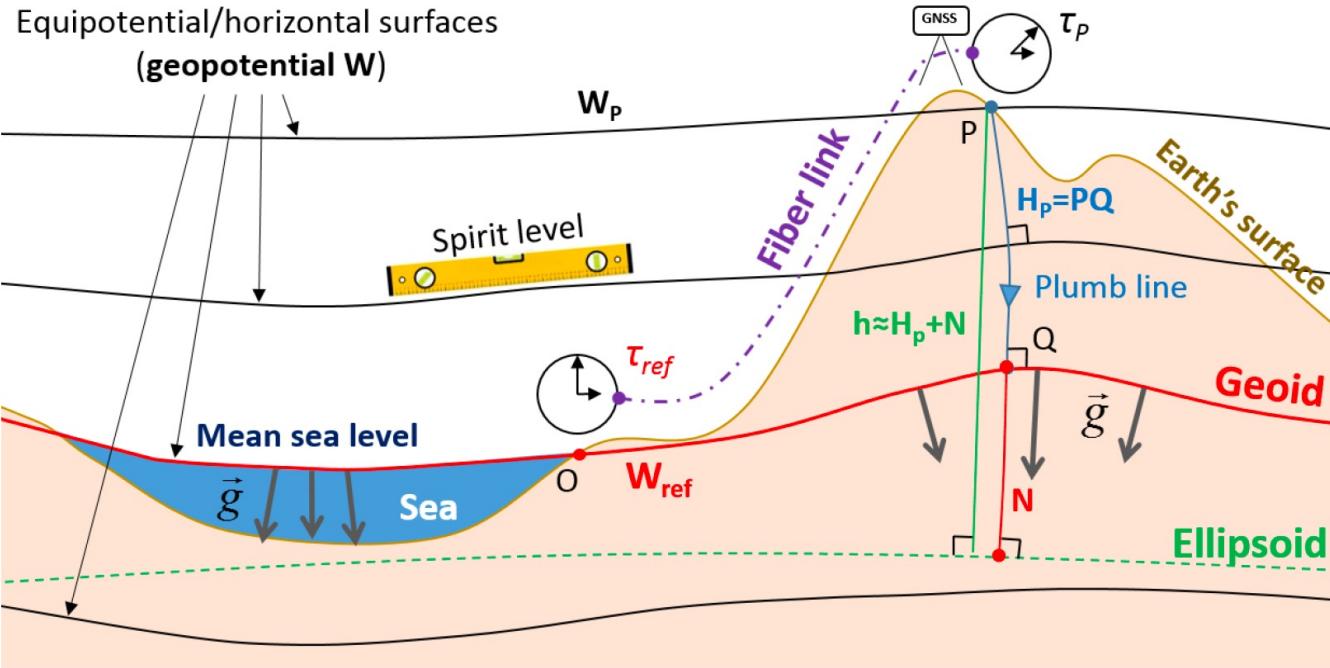
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WG Q.1: Quantum gravimetry in space and on ground

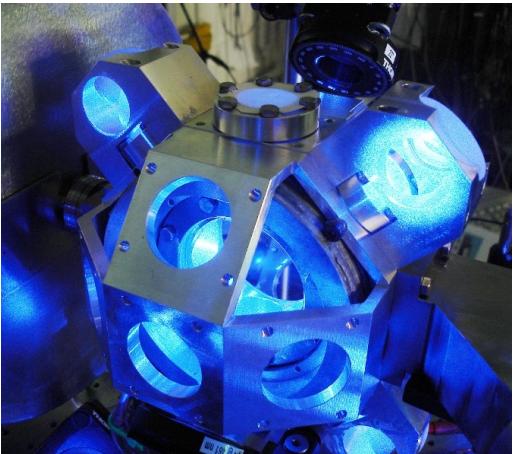
WG Q.2: Laser interferometry for gravity missions

WG Q.3: Relativistic geodesy with clocks

Clocks

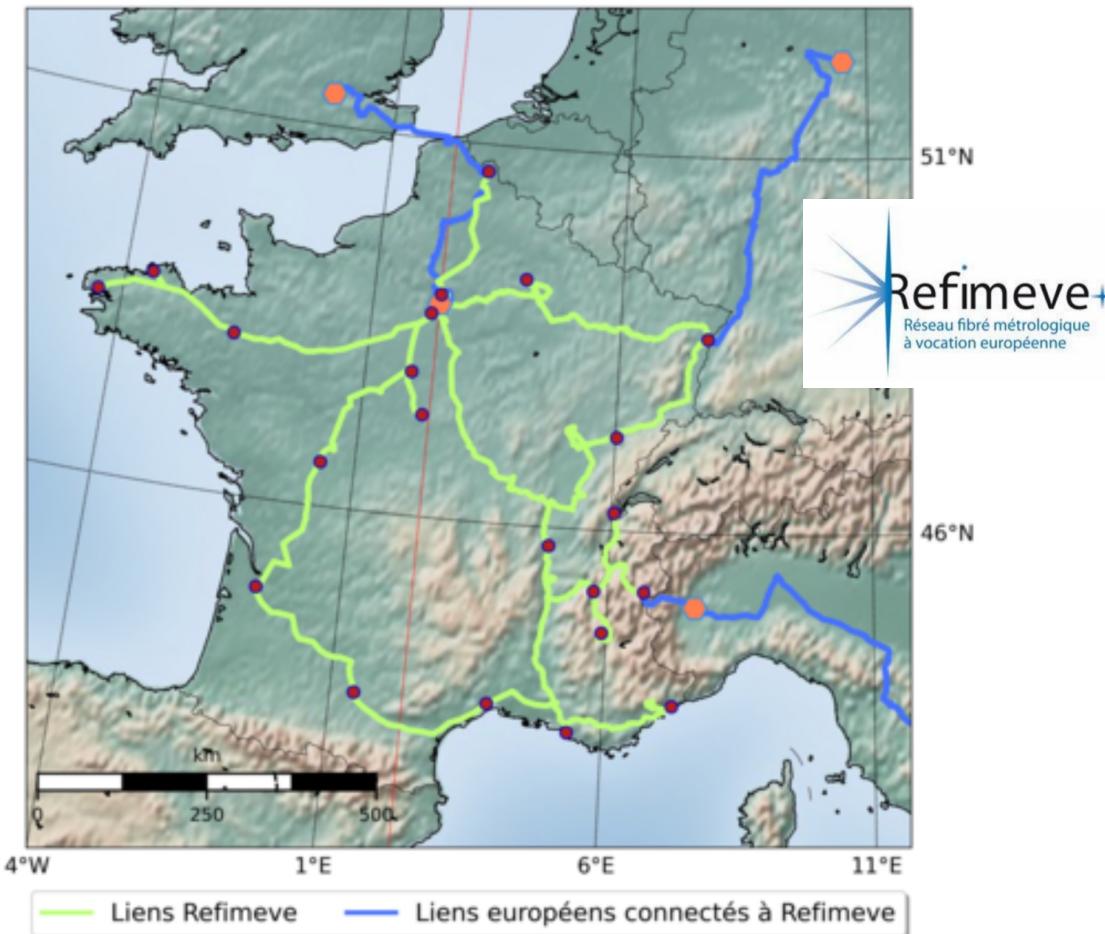


$1\text{cm} \rightarrow 10^{-18}$



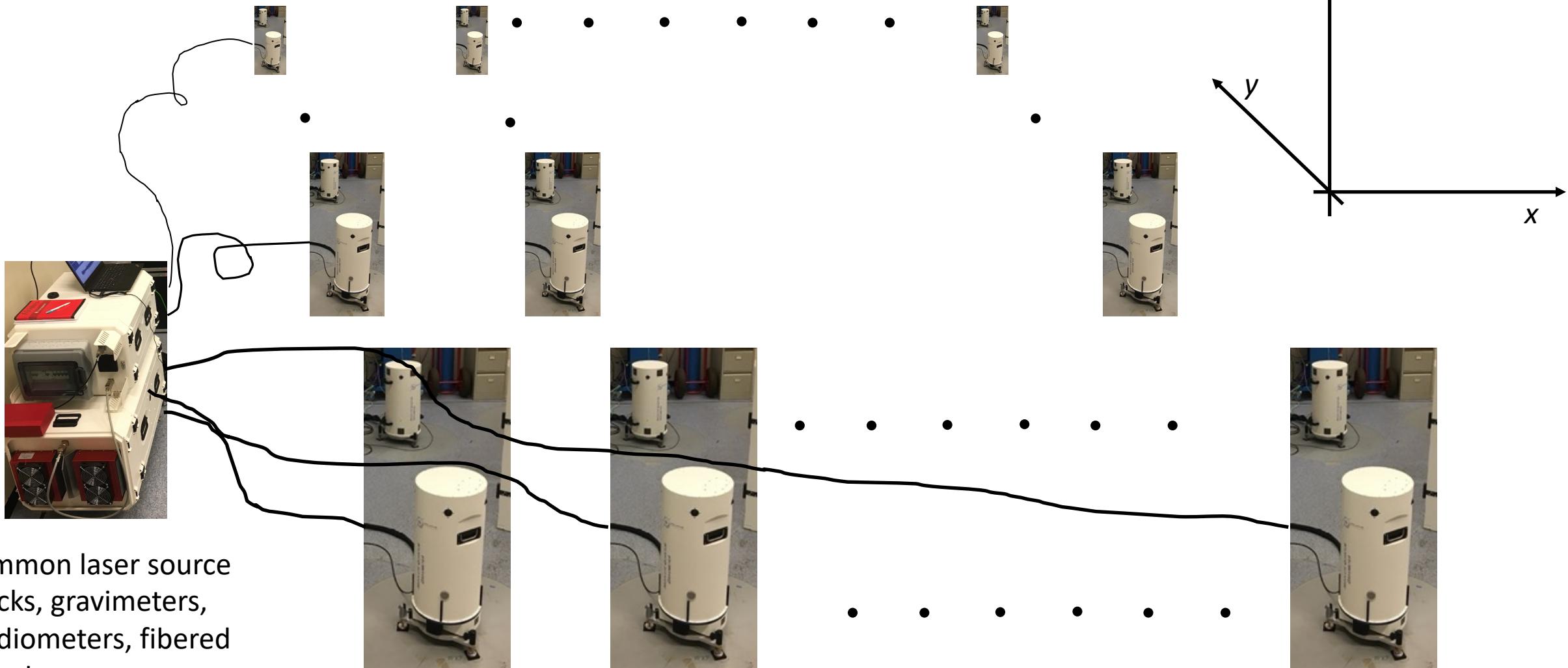
Fixed lab clocks
Movable clocks

<https://www.refimeve.fr>



Why not using this network to, not only connect clocks, but also gravi-gradio-meters ? Altogether.

Arrays



Conclusion

Atomic sensors (gravimeters, gradiometers, dual gravi-gradiometers, gyroscopes, clocks, arrays of quantic sensors) are promising devices to establish references.

Because they are metrologically studied, absolute, no drift, limits not identified.

All scales, from punctual to space, we will need nodes stations for continuous measurements, and satellites for global ones.

Need of several sensors at top level, in agreement, metrological.

Many countries involved. Many domain involved.

Industrial transferts (fiabilisation, automatisation).

Establishing and maintaining a long term geodetic reference system is of key importance for climate monitoring and Earth observation systems. This long standing objective of the geoscience community is well supported by relevant international organisations. The need of better monitoring of critical parameters, such as ocean level, demands an improved accuracy of the global reference system down to the mm level, which constitutes the challenge to meet to evaluate accurately the cumulative impact of climate changes.

State of the art

$$1 \mu Gal = 10 nm.s^{-2} \sim 10^{-9} g$$

Type	Techno	Institut / Company	Name	ν_c Hz	u μGal	u _{wfab} μGal	σ_g μGal	τ s	Rq	
Abs	FFCC	Micro-g	FG5X	0.3	2.0	.	~ 1.0	~ 100	dead time, wearing	
		Lacoste		0.1	.	.	1.0	~ 700		
Rel	Supra	GWR	iGrav	1.0	.	.	0.01	600	drift	
Abs	Atom	SYRTE	CAG	2.8	2.0	1.3	5.7	1	T=80ms dropped atoms	
					.	.	1.0	36		
					.	.	0.06	20 000		
Abs	Atom	HUB	GAIN	0.7	3.2	2.2	9.6	1	T=260ms launched atoms	
					.	.	1.0	100		
					.	.	0.05	100 000		
Abs	Atom	HUST		0.5	5.0	.	4.2	1	T=300ms launched atoms	
					.	.	1.0	18		
					.	.	0.3	200		
Abs	Atom	muquans	AQG	.	.	59.4	1			
				.	.	1.0	4000	dropped atoms		
				.	.	0.3	200 000			
Abs	Atom	AOSense				
Abs	Atom	M Squared				

$$\Delta\Phi = -\vec{k}_{\text{eff}} \vec{g} T^2$$

2T difference, not correlated with better performances

Motivation for the development of compact gravimeters (2T ≈ 100 ms, h ≈ 5 cm)