

Welcome to the Public WEBCAST Session of the 26<sup>th</sup>  
General Conference on Weights and Measures (CGPM)



**16. November 2018:**

**A HISTORIC DAY FOR METROLOGY**

16. November 2018:

## A HISTORIC DAY FOR METROLOGY

The vision of Max Planck may become true  
(2018: 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Nobel Prize for Max Planck)



*Ann.Physik* 1, 69-122 (1900)

“...with the help of **fundamental constants** we have the possibility of establishing units of length, time, mass, and temperature, which necessarily retain their significance for all cultures, even unearthy and nonhuman ones.”

# Welcome to the WEBCAST Session of the 26<sup>th</sup> General Conference on Weights and Measures (CGPM)



10:50 - Start of webcast

## Keynote lectures

### "The quantum Hall effect and the revised SI"

Klaus von Klitzing (Nobel laureate, Max Planck Institute, Stuttgart)



### "The role of the Planck constant in physics"

Jean-Philippe Uzan (Centre national de la recherche scientifique (CNRS), Paris)

### "Optical atomic clocks – opening new perspectives on the quantum world"

Jun Ye (JILA, Boulder)

### "Measuring with fundamental constants; how the revised SI will work"

Bill Phillips (Nobel laureate, NIST, Gaithersburg)



Introduction to the Resolution "On the revision of the International System of Units (SI)"

Martin Milton (BIPM Director)

! !  
Voting on Draft Resolution A and closing remarks

Barry Inglis

13:25 - End of session



# Draft Resolution A

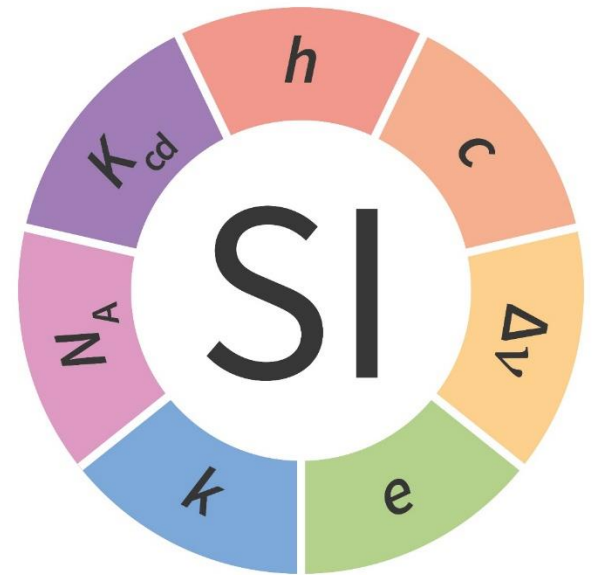


## On the revision of the International System of Units (SI)

The General Conference on Weights and Measures (CGPM), at its 26th meeting,

**decides** that, effective from 20 May 2019, the International System of Units, the SI, is the system of units in which:

- the unperturbed ground state hyperfine transition frequency of the caesium 133 atom  $\Delta\nu_{\text{Cs}}$  is 9 192 631 770 Hz,
- the speed of light in vacuum  $c$  is 299 792 458 m/s,
- the Planck constant  $h$  is  $6.626\,070\,15 \times 10^{-34}$  J s,
- the elementary charge  $e$  is  $1.602\,176\,634 \times 10^{-19}$  C,
- the Boltzmann constant  $k$  is  $1.380\,649 \times 10^{-23}$  J/K,
- the Avogadro constant  $N_{\text{A}}$  is  $6.022\,140\,76 \times 10^{23}$  mol<sup>-1</sup>,
- the luminous efficacy of monochromatic radiation of frequency  $540 \times 10^{12}$  Hz,  $K_{\text{cd}}$ , is 683 lm/W,







# Draft Resolution A



## On the revision of the International System of Units (SI)

The General Conference on Weights and Measures (CGPM), at its 26th meeting,

**decides** that, effective from 20 May 2019, the International System of Units, SI, is the system of units in which:

- the unperturbed ground-state hyperfine transition frequency of the caesium-133 atom  $\Delta\nu_{Cs}$  is 9 192 631 770 Hz,
- the speed of light in vacuum  $c$  is 299 792 458 m/s,
- the Planck constant  $h$  is  $6.626 070 15 \times 10^{-34}$  J s,
- the elementary charge  $e$  is  $1.602 176 634 \times 10^{-19}$  C,
- the Boltzmann constant  $k$  is  $1.380 649 \times 10^{-23}$  J/K,
- the Avogadro constant  $N_A$  is  $6.022 140 76 \times 10^{23}$  mol<sup>-1</sup>,
- the luminous efficacy of monochromatic radiation of frequency  $540 \times 10^{12}$  Hz,  $K_{cd}$ , is 683 lm/W,

**The Revised International System of Units**  
**The biggest revolution in metrology since the French Revolution**





# Our Historically Established SI System



All measurements can be expressed  
by our 7 base units

(SI units = *Système international d'unités*)



## International system of units (SI units)

**second** for time

**metre** for length

**kilogram** **PROTOTYPE**

**kelvin** **TRIPLEPOINT OF H<sub>2</sub>O**

**ampere** **FORCE BETWEEN WIRES**

**candela** for luminous intensity

**mole** for the amount of substance



# Official LOGO of Revised SI





# 8 Years Ago !



## The new SI: units of measurement based on fundamental constants

From the origins of the metric system, when the metre was a fraction of the arc of the Paris meridian and the kilogram the weight of a cubic decimetre of water, the ultimate goal has been a system of measurement based on invariant quantities of nature. After more than 200 years we are now within reach of achieving this. While the kilogram is still defined as the mass of a Pt-Ir cylinder kept in a vault in Sèvres, serious plans now exist to redefine the kilogram by fixing the numerical value of the Planck constant  $h$ ; and the ampere, kelvin and mole by fixed numerical values for  $e$ ,  $k$  and  $N_A$ . With the metre already being defined by the speed of light and the second by an atomic microwave transition, but likely soon to be

**Publication 2005:**

**Redefinition of the kilogram: a decision whose time has come**



## Bottleneck:

*Metrology focuses on practical applications “for all time, for all people”*

**High precision experimental access to  
fundamental constants**

The discovery of LASER allowed high precision measurement of velocity of light !  
Since 1983 fixed value  **$c = 299792458$  m/s** for the definition of the length unit „meter“





# NATMyTalk: UNITS



## The Quantum Hall Effect and the Revised SI

length:

$$\sqrt{\frac{h \cdot f}{c^3}} = 4 \cdot 10^{-43} \text{ m}$$

mass:

$$\sqrt{\frac{h}{c}} = 4 \cdot 10^{-43} \text{ kg}$$

time:

$$\frac{h}{c^2} = 4 \cdot 10^{-43} \text{ s}$$

temperature:

$$\frac{h}{k} = 3,50 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ K}$$

**We are ready to introduce a new measurement system based on constants of nature !**

**Not useful for practical application!**

$h$  = Planck constant

$f$  = gravitational constant

$c$  = light velocity

$k$  = Boltzmann constant

Quantum Hall Effect  
von Klitzing constant  $R_K = h/e^2$

$$\sqrt{\frac{h^2}{e^4}} = 2,58 \cdot 10^4 \Omega$$

$e$  = elementary charge



# Electrical Units (Quantum Hall Effect, Josephson Effect)

The Driving Force for a New SI Based on Constants of Nature



# Electrical Quantum Metrology

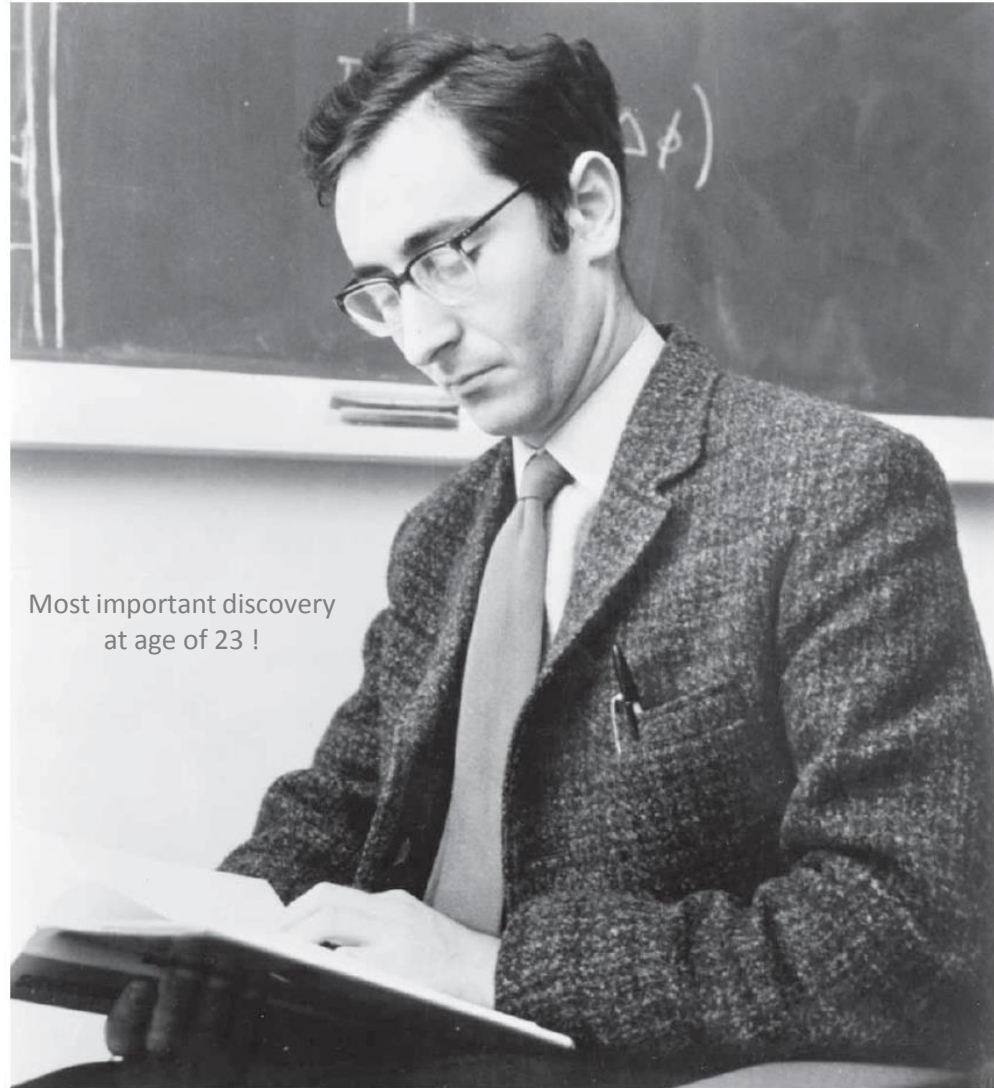
## Pioneering Work of Brian Josephson

26<sup>e</sup> CGPM

Versailles  
13-16 novembre 2018



Brian Josephson  
Cambridge University  
1960s



Most important discovery  
at age of 23 !



# A New Realization of Accurate Voltages (Theory)



Volume 1, number 7

PHYSICS LETTERS

1 July 1962

## POSSIBLE NEW EFFECTS IN SUPERCONDUCTIVE TUNNELLING \*

B. D. JOSEPHSON

Cavendish Laboratory, Cambridge, England

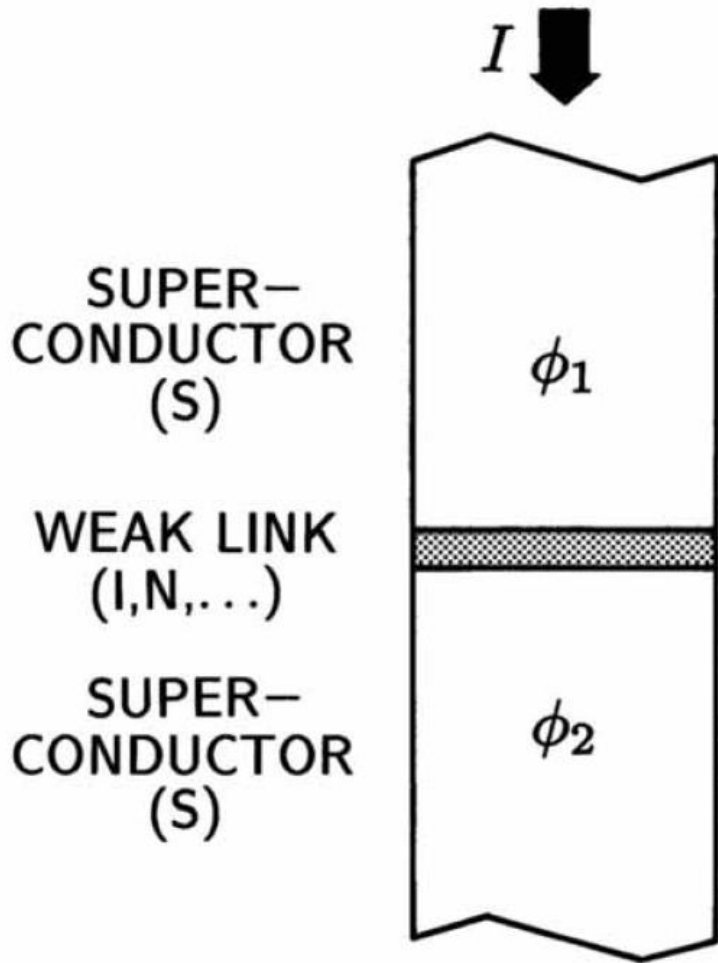
Received 8 June 1962

Applied r. f. fields can be treated by noting that the oscillations in  $V$  frequency-modulate the supercurrent. Thus if a DC voltage  $V$  on which is superimposed an AC voltage of frequency  $\nu$  is applied across the barrier, the current has Fourier components at frequencies  $2eV/h \pm n\nu$ , where  $n$  is an integer. If for some  $n$ ,  $2eV/h = n\nu$ , the supercurrent has a DC component dependent on the magnitude and phase of the AC voltage. Hence the DC characteristic has a zero slope resistance part over a range of current dependent on the magnitude of the AC voltage.

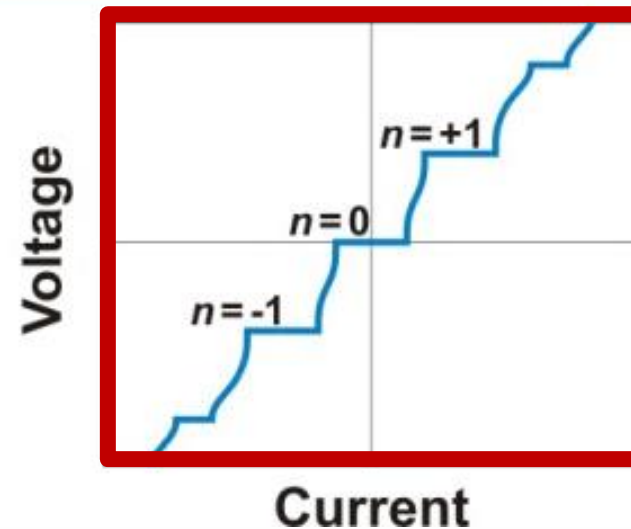
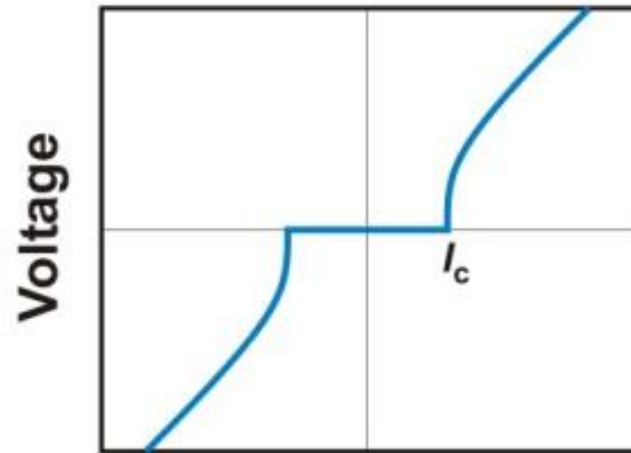
$$V = n (h/2e) \nu$$



# A New Realization of Accurate Voltages (Experiment)



overdamped junction



with  
microwave  
 $E = h\nu$   
 $V = n(h/2e)\nu$

$$V \leftrightarrow h/2e$$





# Universality of Josephson Voltage



VOLUME 51, NUMBER 4

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

25 JULY 1983

## High-Precision Test of the Universality of the Josephson Voltage-Frequency Relation

Jaw-Shen Tsai,<sup>(a)</sup> A. K. Jain, and J. E. Lukens

*Department of Physics, State University of New York at Stony Brook, Stony Brook, New York 11794*

(Received 11 May 1983)

The Josephson voltage-frequency relation has been compared between two quite different (and nonideal) types of Josephson junctions—an indium microbridge and a planar normal-metal barrier junction of niobium with a copper normal region. It is found that the constant of proportionality between voltage and frequency is the same in both the junctions to at least 2 parts in  $10^{16}$ .

$$\Delta V/V < 2 \times 10^{-16}$$



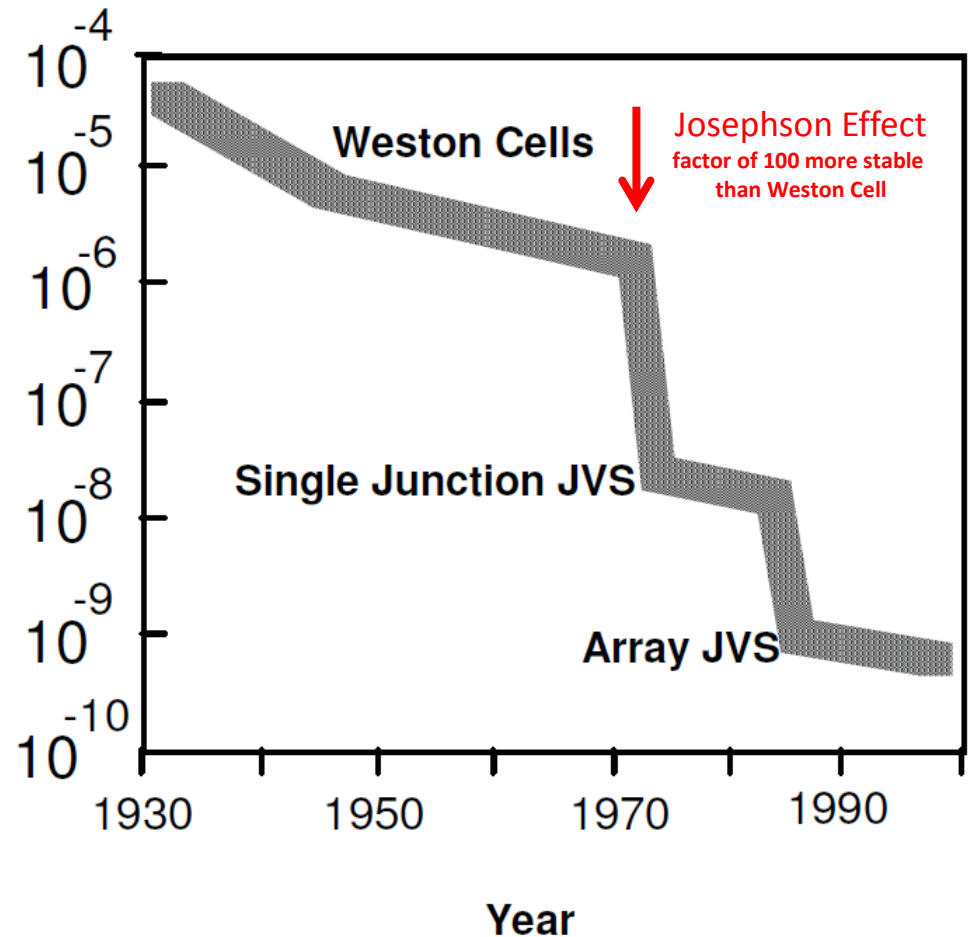
# Josephson Voltage Standard (JVS)



## Approximate Level of Agreement in Voltage Measurements among National Standards Laboratories



Standard Electrochemical Cell  
 $V = 1.018 \text{ V}$





# Metrologia 9, 155-166 (1973)



## Volt Maintenance at NBS via $2e/h$ : A New Definition of the NBS Volt\*

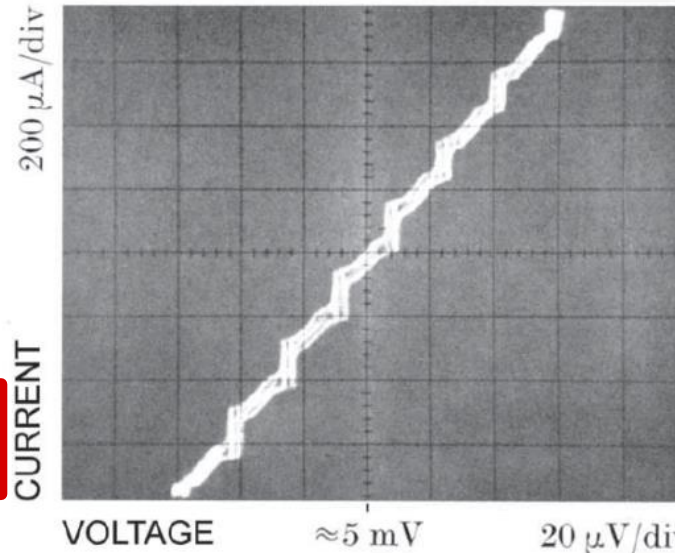
B. F. Field, T. F. Finnegan, and J. Toots

Institute for Basic Standards, National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D.C. 20234, U.S.A.

### Abstract

This paper describes in detail the procedures, methods and measurements used to establish a new definition of the U.S. legal volt via the ac Josephson effect. The adopted value of  $2e/h$  is  $483593.420 \text{ GHz}/V_{\text{NBS}}$ .

USA:  $2e/h = 483593.420 \text{ GHz}/V_{\text{NBS}}$



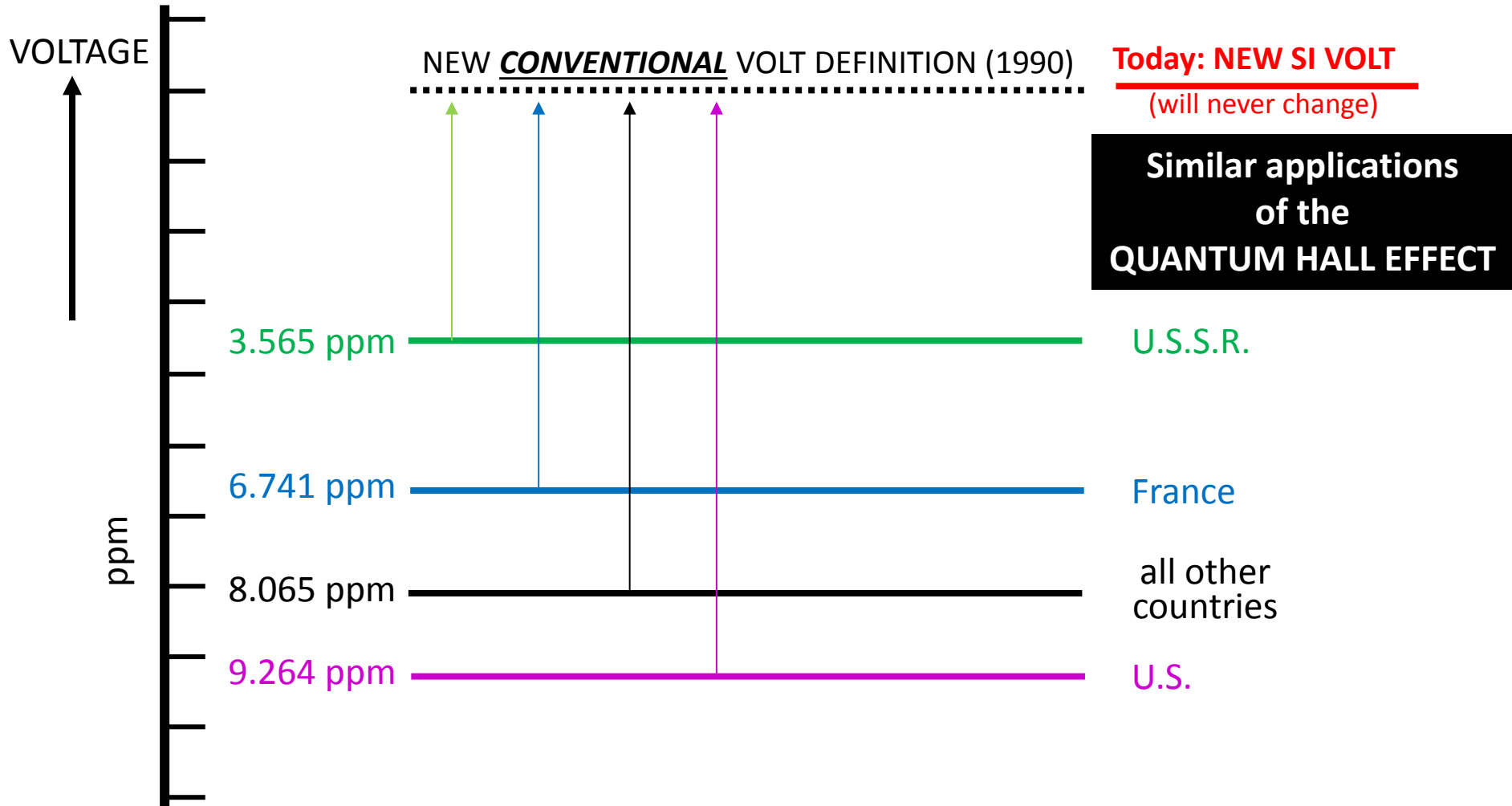
**Pb-Pb Junction**  
 $I_c = 700 \mu\text{A}$   
 $\nu \approx 9 \text{ GHz}$   
 $n \approx 250$

4 different "VOLTS" existed at the time of the Quantum Hall Discovery (1980)



# SINCE 1990 - A COMMON WORLDWIDE VOLT VOLT STANDARDS UNTIL 1990

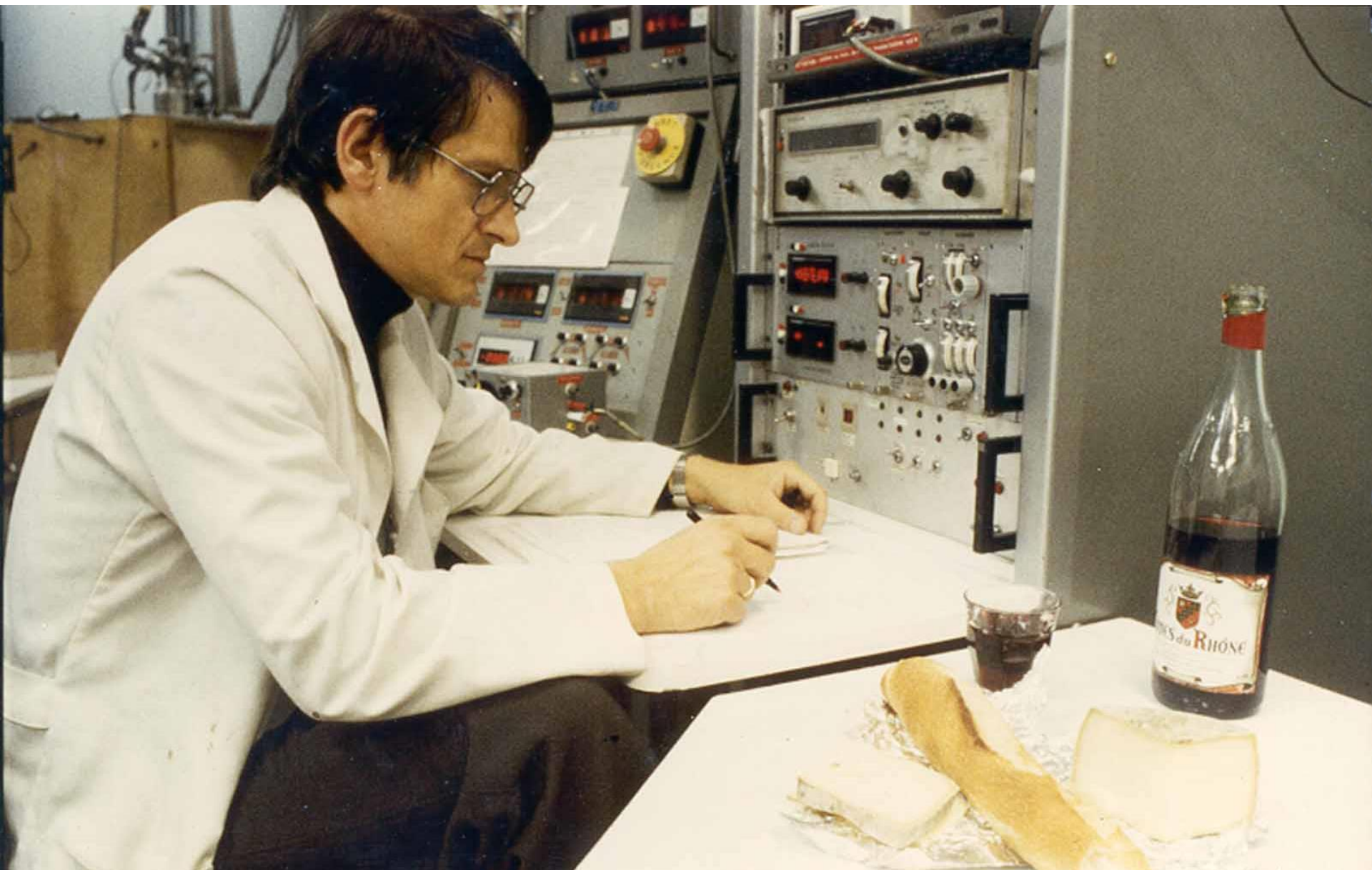
(But Outside the SI System)







# Quantum Hall Effect: \* 5.2.1980 at 2 a.m. in Grenoble (photo from 1985)





# Notes 4./5.2.1980



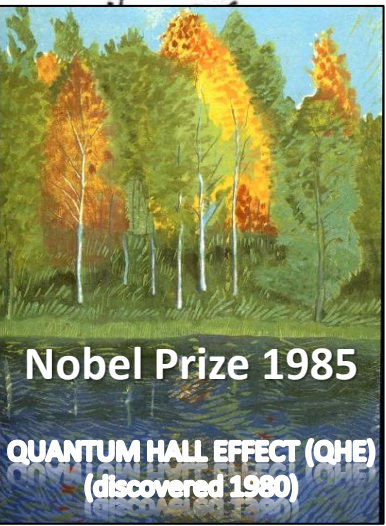
$$E_H = R_H \cdot D \cdot j = \frac{1}{n \cdot e} \cdot B \cdot \frac{I}{b}$$

$$U_H = \frac{B}{n \cdot e} \cdot I$$

**U = R · I**

*25,76 kΩ*

*25812*



**New type of electrical resistance with a fixed value  $h/e^2 \approx 25812 \Omega$**

$$\sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\epsilon_0}} \Rightarrow 25813 \Omega$$

notes of the phone call to PTB  
 PTB 531 / 5929 (5.2.1980)  
 2240  
 Prof. V. Kose

$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \cdot 10^{-9} \frac{Vs}{Ac}$$



# Experimental Fact



**All quantized Hall resistances**

(different materials like silicon, GaAs or graphene)

**show the same value with at least 10 digits**

**by comparing different devices!**

(however only 8 digits can be measured within our present SI system)

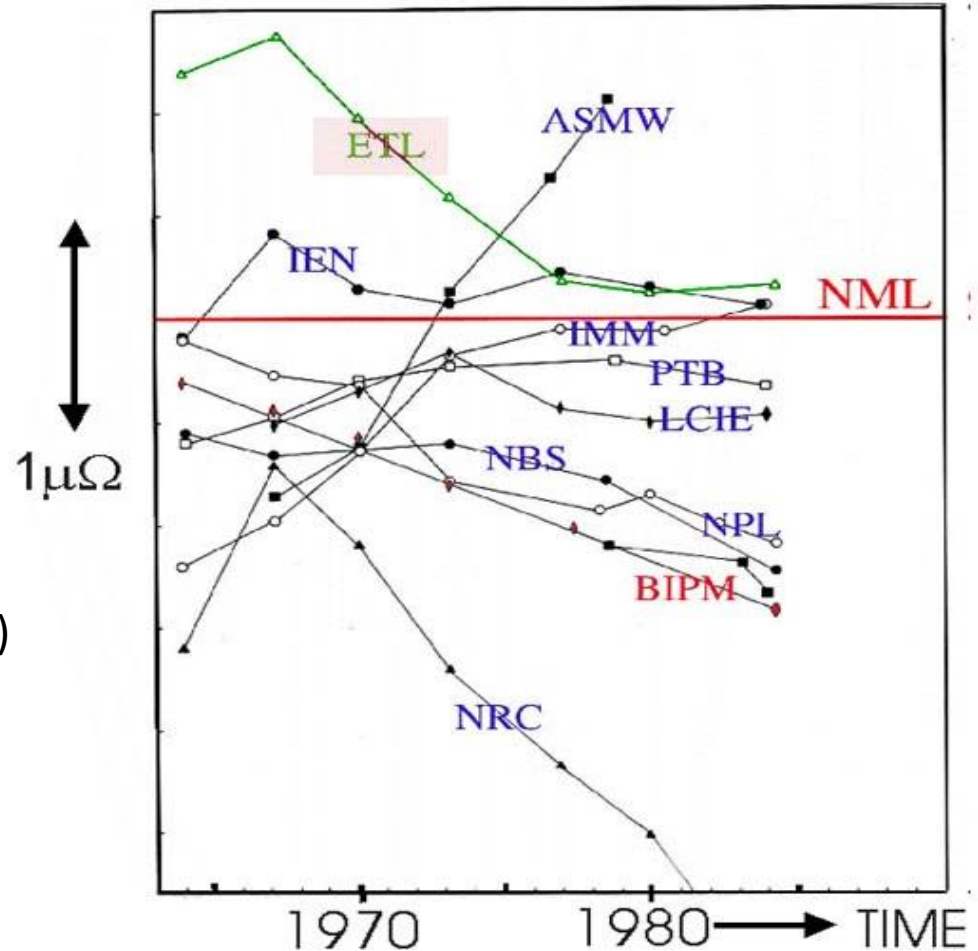
**Requirement: 2-dimensional electron system and strong magnetic fields**



# Established Resistance Calibrations at NIMs Before Quantum Hall Discovery



before QHE:  
resistance standard represented by wire resistor.



(The **NML** in Australia was able to calibrate wire resistors in SI units)



# Drift of NBS Ohm

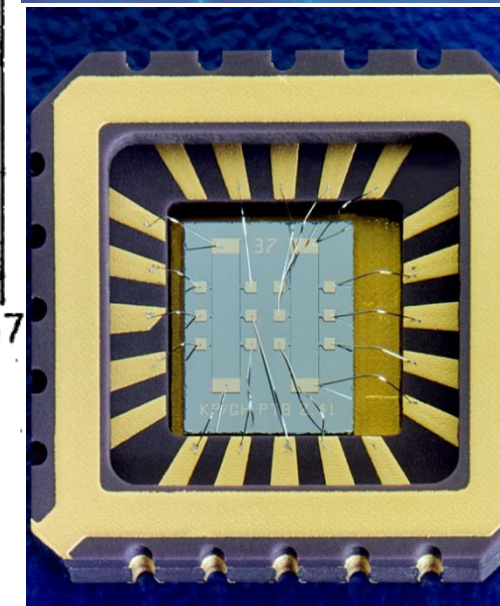
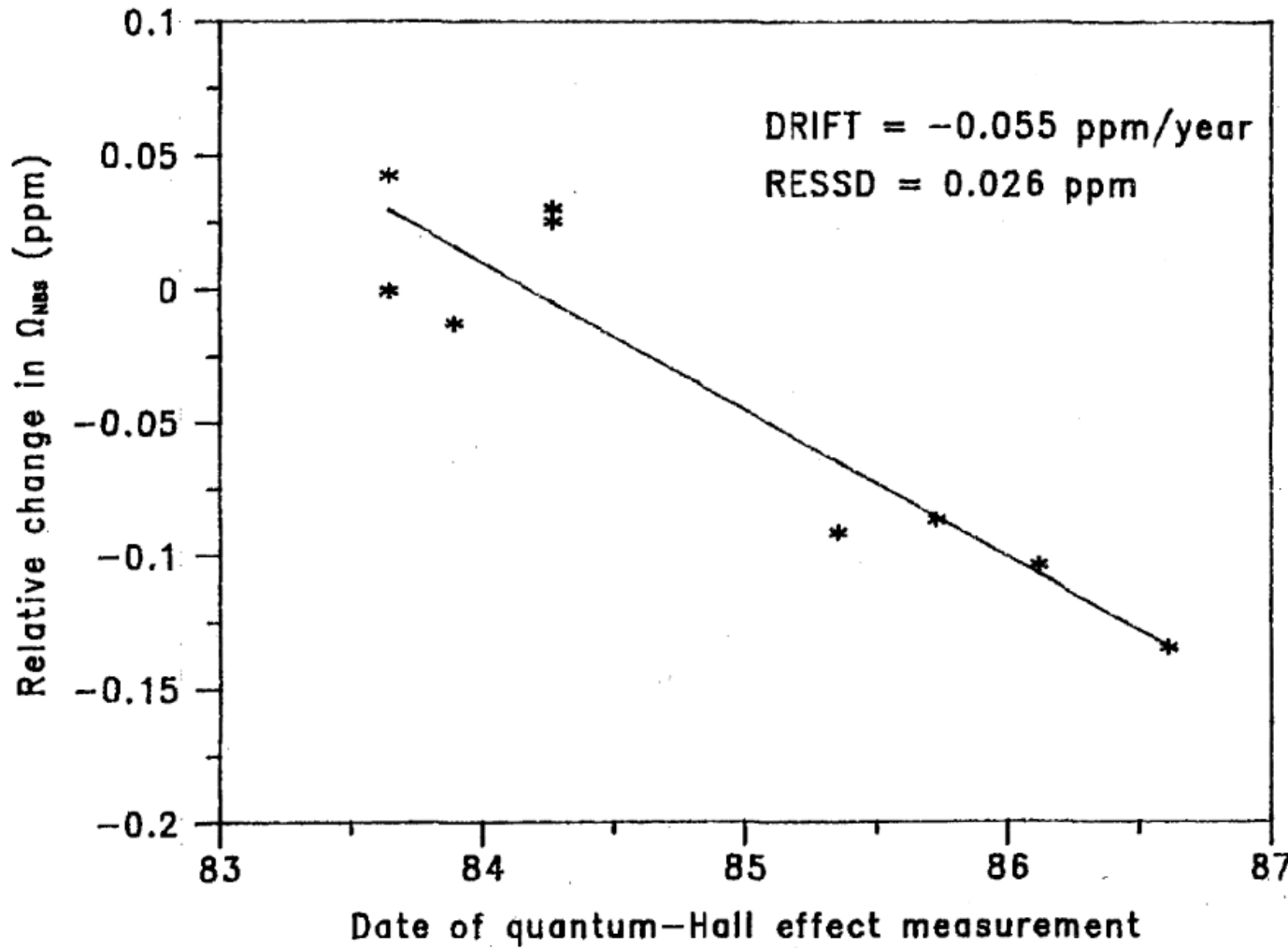
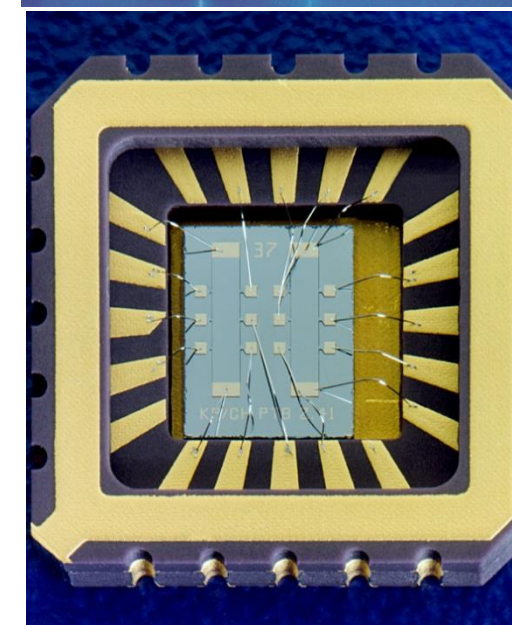
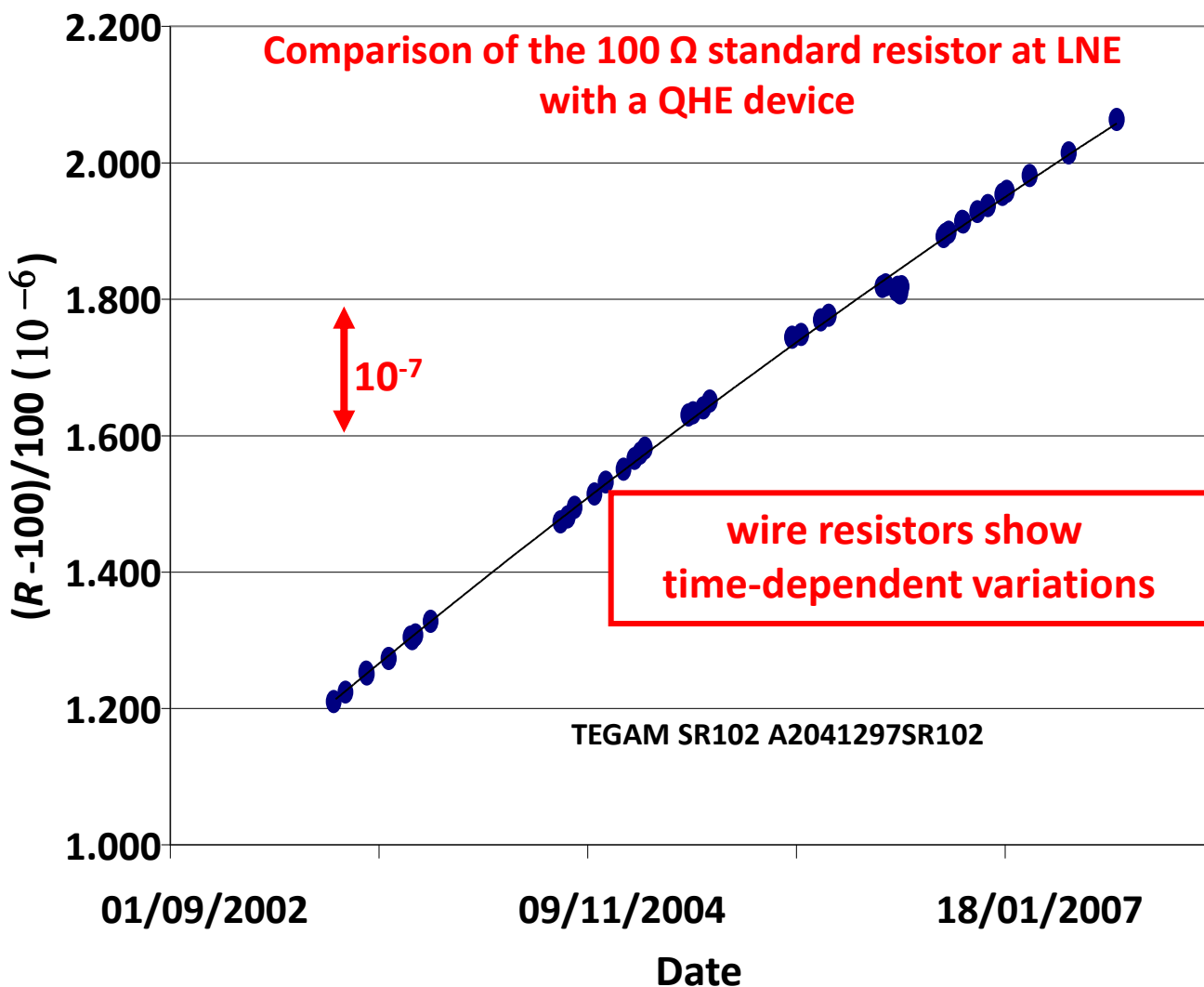


Fig. 1. NBS Ohm drift based on QHE measurements.





# QHE Against Wire Resistor at LNE







# The 18th CGPM, considered (1987):



...that many national laboratories use the **Josephson effect** and the **quantum Hall effect** to maintain representations of the volt and of the ohm, as these **offer the best guarantees of long-term stability,**

that because of the importance of coherence among the units of measurement of the various physical quantities the **values adopted for these representations must be as closely as possible in agreement with the SI.**



## CIPM, 1988: Recommendation 2



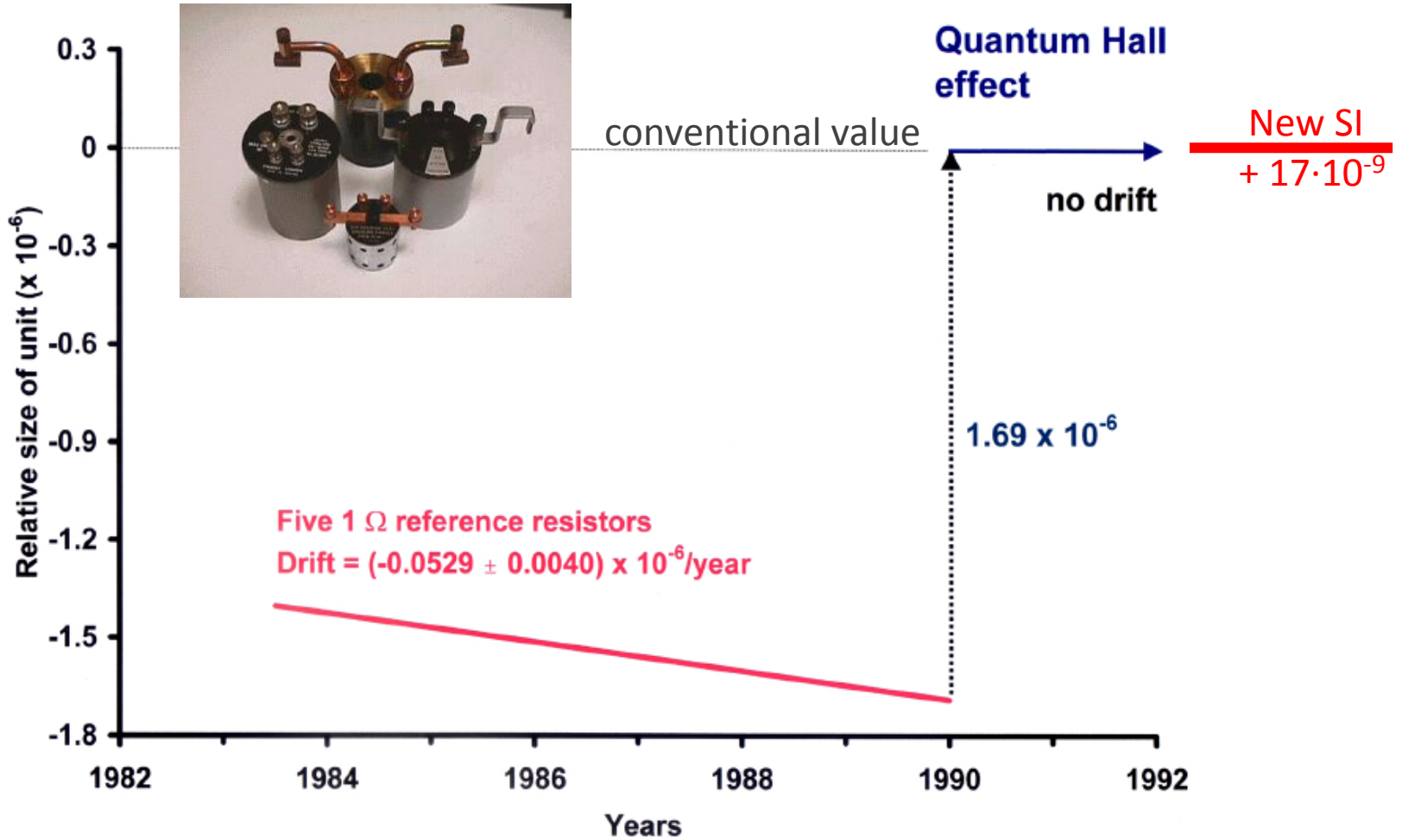
**The Comité International des Poids et Mesures, recommends**

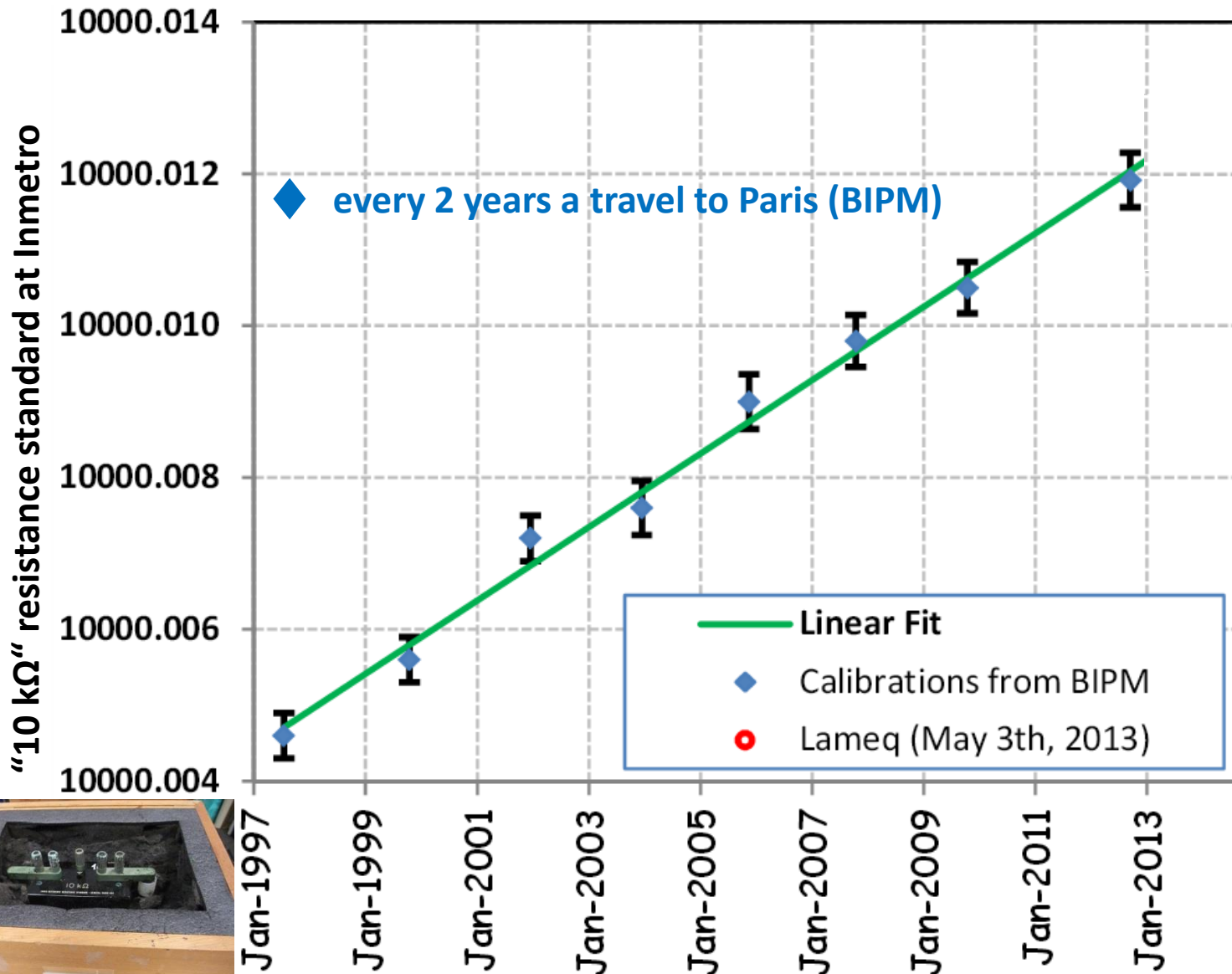
- that **25 812.807  $\Omega$  exactly** be adopted as a conventional value, denoted by  $R_{K-90}$ , **for the von Klitzing constant,  $R_K$ ,**
- that this value be used from 1 January 1990, and not before, by all laboratories which base their measurements of resistance on the quantum Hall effect,
- that from this same date all other laboratories adjust the value of their laboratory reference standards to agree with  $R_{K-90}$ ,
- **and is of the opinion that no change in this recommended value of the von Klitzing constant will be necessary in the foreseeable future.**

***The foreseeable future ends today !  
(If the vote on draft resolution A is „yes“)***



# Resistance metrology (NPL)



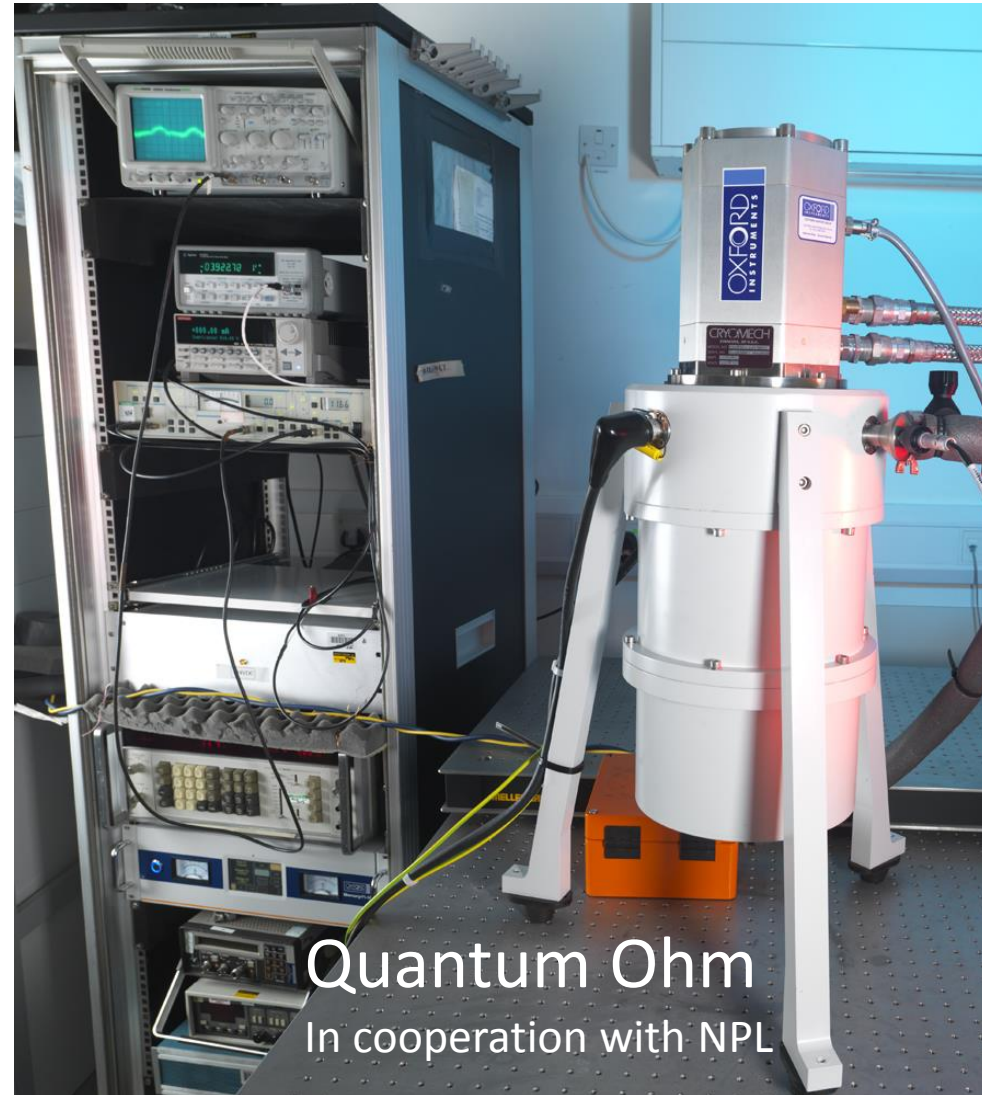




# COMMERCIAL QUANTUM STANDARDS FOR VOLT AND OHM



Quantum Volt  
In cooperation with PTB



Quantum Ohm  
In cooperation with NPL





# CODATA Internationally Recommended Values of the Fundamental Physical Constants



## conventional value of Josephson constant

$$K_{J-90}$$

Value **483 597.9** x 10<sup>9</sup> Hz V<sup>-1</sup>

Standard uncertainty (exact)

Relative standard uncertainty (exact)

Concise form **483 597.9** x 10<sup>9</sup> Hz V<sup>-1</sup>

**V**<sub>90</sub>

## conventional value of von Klitzing constant

$$R_{K-90}$$

Value **25 812.807** Ω

Standard uncertainty (exact)

Relative standard uncertainty (exact)

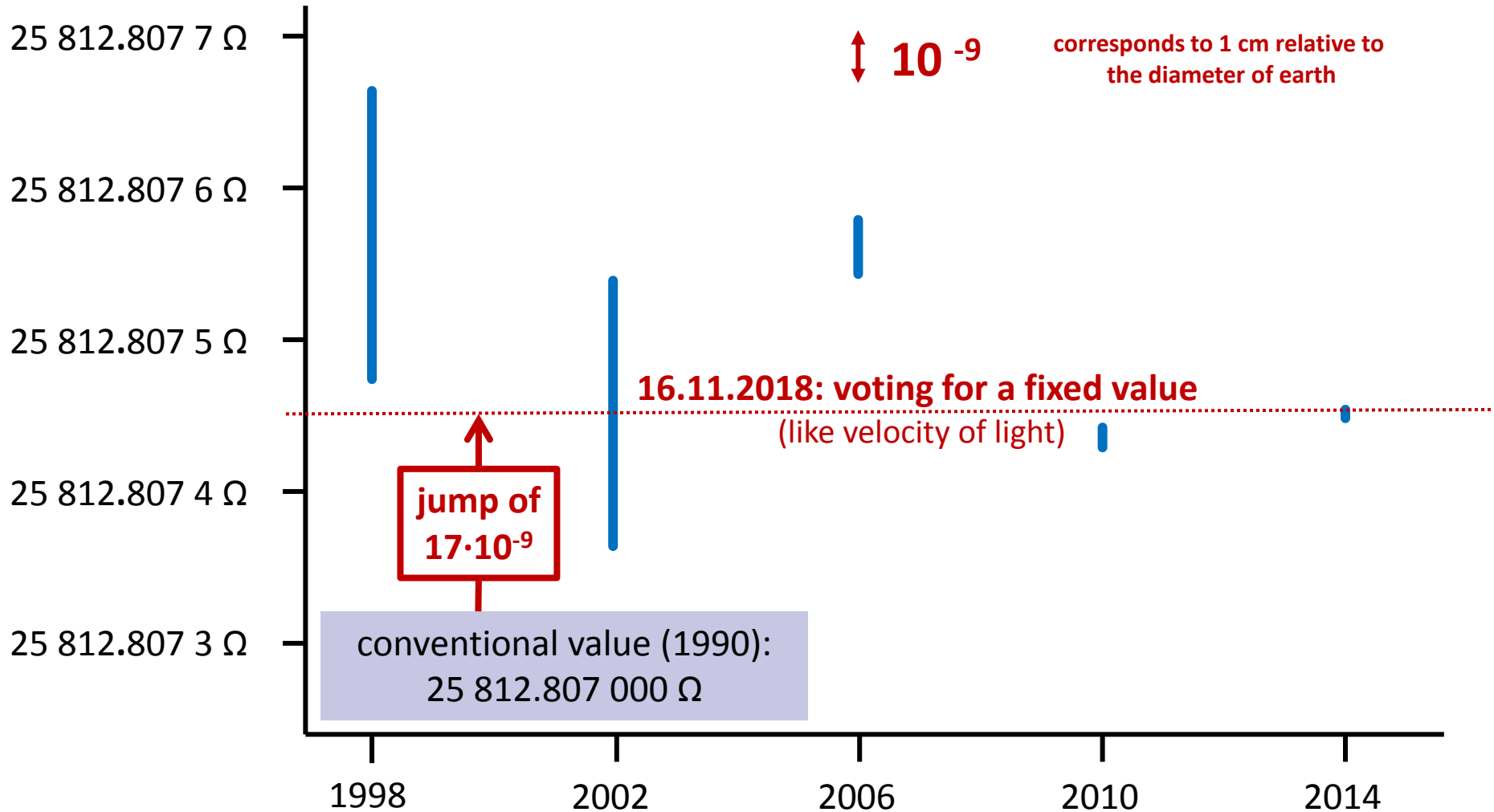
Concise form **25 812.807** Ω

**Ω**<sub>90</sub>



# von Klitzing constant $h/e^2$

(CODATA recommended values)







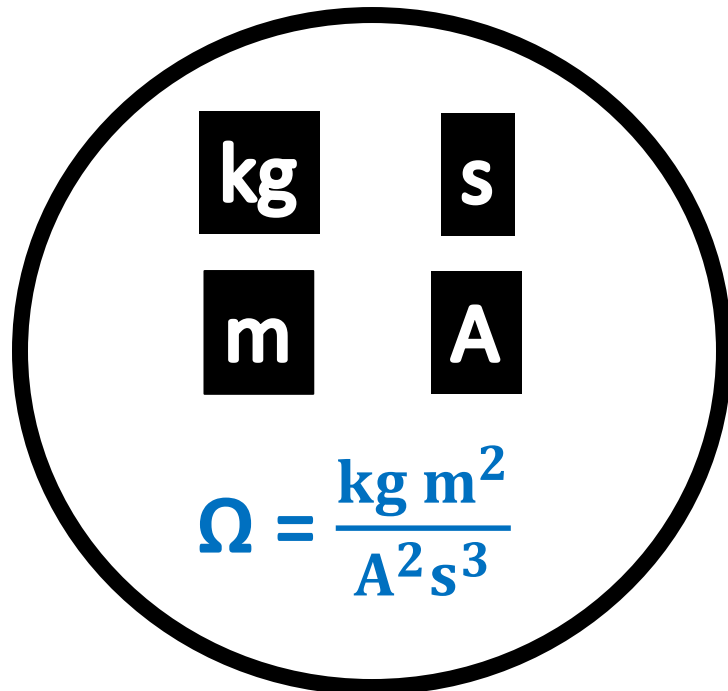
# Quantum-Units: A Parallel World in our SI System



## SI Units

(base and **derived**)

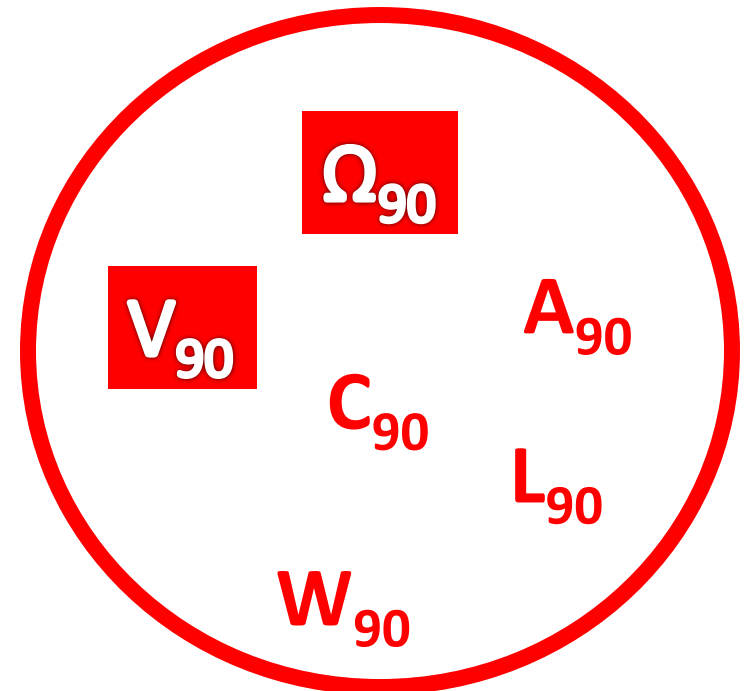
$$R_K = 25.812,807\ 450\ 3045\ \Omega$$



## Quantum Units

(conventional units outside the official SI units)

$$R_{K-90} = 25.812,807\ 000\ 000\ \Omega$$



adjusted  
in 1990

The new SI (which includes  $h$  and  $e$ )  
will unify these two worlds





# A Happy Funeral



Your vote today:

**GOOD NEWS:**

The value of  $R_K = h/e^2$  will be a **FIXED** number compatible with the new SI system

$7 \Omega$

$R_{K-90} = 25812.807 \Omega$

– the decision to adopt the conventional values of the Josephson constant  $K_{J-90}$  and of the von Klitzing constant  $R_{K-90}$  taken by the CIPM (1988, Recommendations 1 and 2) at the request of the CGPM (18th meeting of the CGPM, 1987, Resolution 6) for the establishment of representations of the volt and the ohm using the Josephson and quantum Hall effects, respectively, is abrogated.



# Proposal for a New SI System



## THE DEFINING CONSTANTS OF THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM OF UNITS

Defining constant	Symbol	Numerical value	Unit
hyperfine transition frequency of Cs	$\Delta\nu_{\text{Cs}}$	9 192 631 770	Hz
speed of light in vacuum	$c$	299 792 458	m s <sup>-1</sup>
Planck constant*	$h$	$6.626\,070\,15 \times 10^{-34}$	J Hz <sup>-1</sup>
elementary charge*	$e$	$1.602\,176\,634 \times 10^{-19}$	C
Boltzmann constant*	$k$	$1.380\,649 \times 10^{-23}$	J K <sup>-1</sup>
Avogadro constant*	$N_{\text{A}}$	$6.022\,140\,76 \times 10^{23}$	mol <sup>-1</sup>
luminous efficacy	$K_{\text{cd}}$	683	lm W <sup>-1</sup>

**fixed values without uncertainties**

\*These numbers are from the CODATA 2017 special adjustment. They were calculated from data available before the 1<sup>st</sup> of July 2017.

**$h/e^2 = 25812,807\,459\,304\,506\,660\,045\,516\,706\,087\,443\,042\,457\,273$   
**221 403 421 768 329 716 073 228 965 768 572 716 532 282 171 634**  
**884 319 000 217 144 421 378 765 742 75.. Ohm****



# The Scientific Community is in Favour of the Revised SI

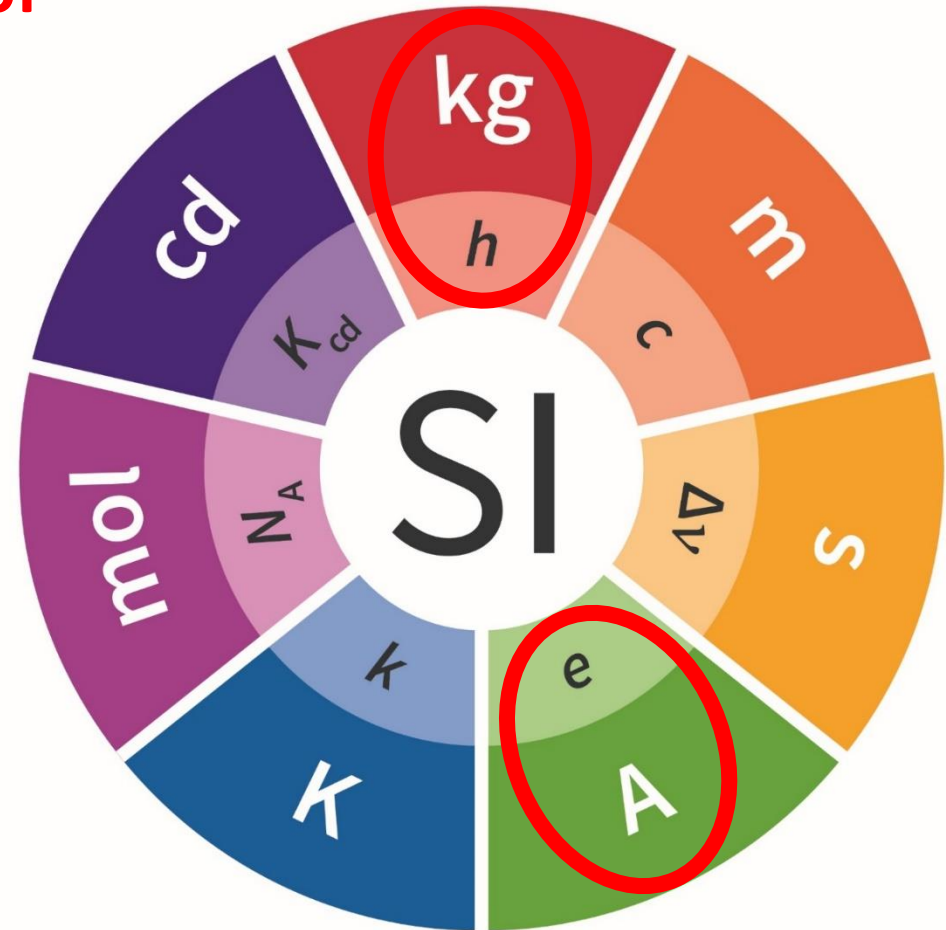


**An unexpected application of  
electrical quantum units:**

**Realization of an electronic  
kilogram based on a  
fixed value for  $h$**



Credit: TU Ilmenau





# KIBBLE BALANCE

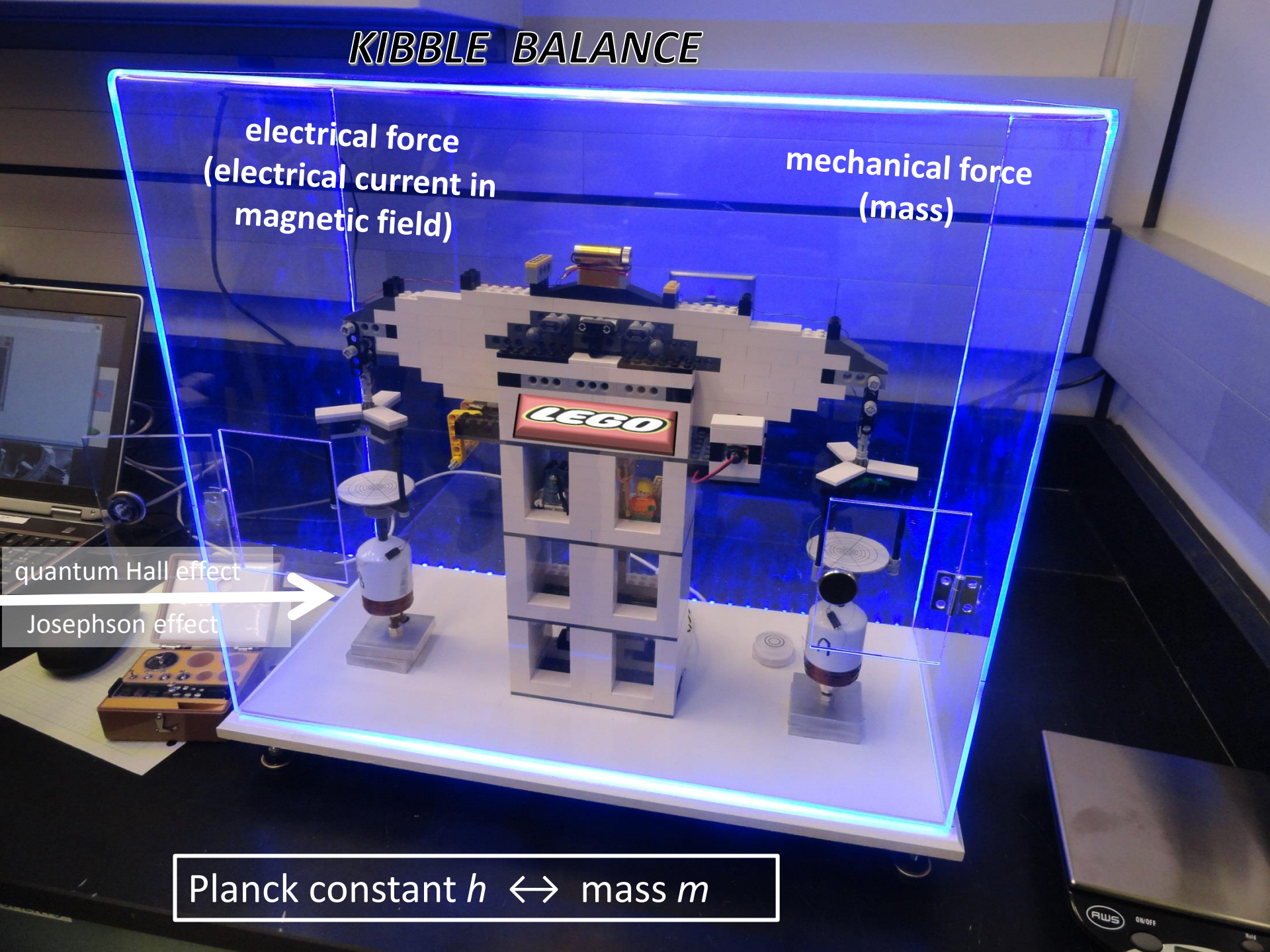
electrical force  
(electrical current in  
magnetic field)

mechanical force  
(mass)

quantum Hall effect

Josephson effect

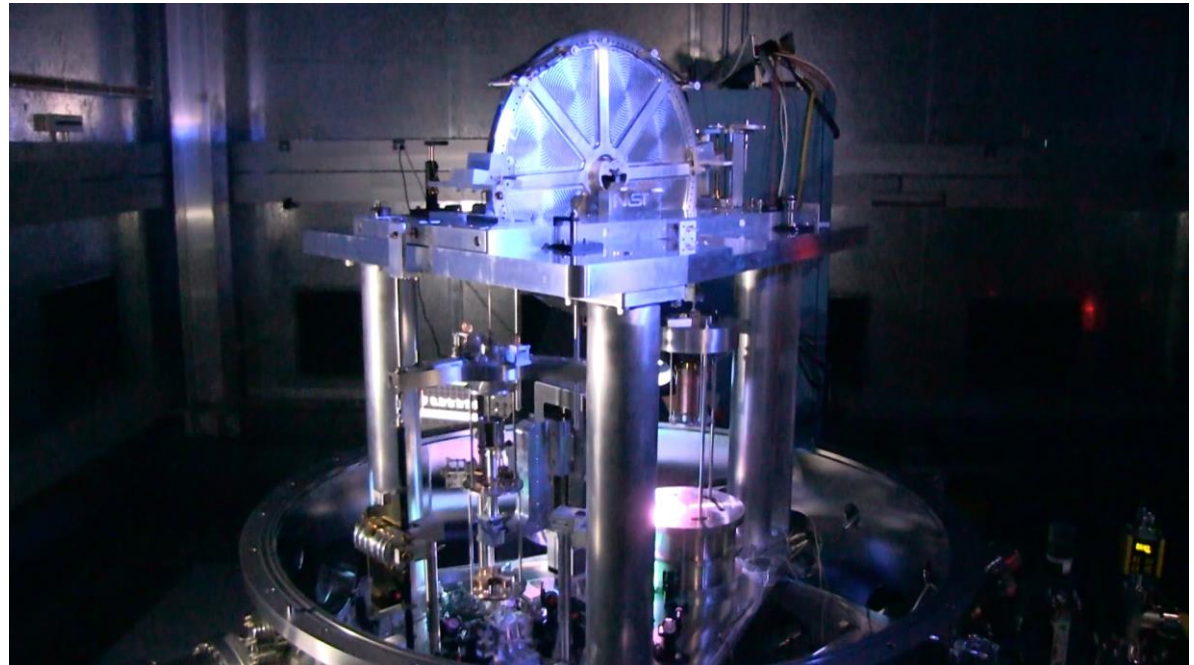
Planck constant  $h \leftrightarrow$  mass  $m$







# Redefinition of the Kilogram



## Le Grand K

The artifact Kilogram

## The Kibble Balance

The electronic Kilogram (The NIST-4 Watt Balance)

**QUANTUM HALL EFFECT:**  
Not only important for electrical standards  
but also for the realization of the kilogram

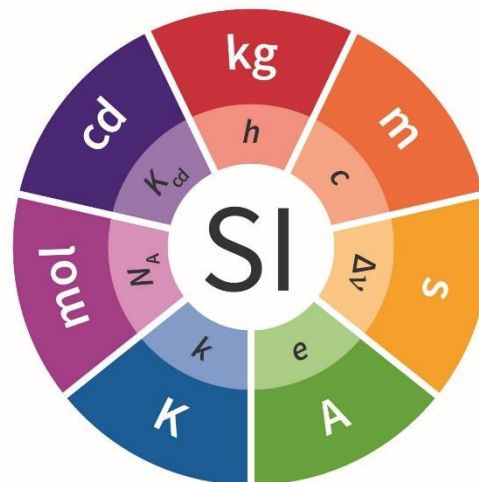


# CONCLUSION



I look forward for the  
vote on draft resolution A

**Constants of nature are the most  
stable basis for an universal system  
of units *“for all time, for all people”***





Thank you for your attention!



# Official LOGO of Revised SI





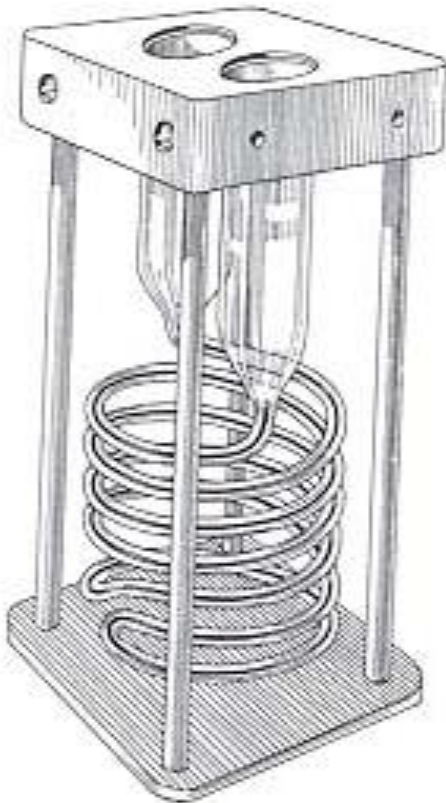


# 1960: Introduction of SI System



Practical unit of electrical resistance (international Ohm until 1948):  
Since 1884: column of mercury with diameter 1 mm<sup>2</sup> and length 106.0 cm  
Since 1893: column of mercury with diameter 1 mm<sup>2</sup> and length 106.3 cm

$$1 \Omega_{\text{int}} \longleftrightarrow 1 \Omega_{\text{abs}}$$



up to 1990: resistance standard represented by wire resistor



**since 1990:  
conventional value for the  
quantized Hall resistance  
 $\equiv 25812,807 \text{ Ohm}$   
(fundamental constant)**



# Recommendations



## Comité International des Poids et Mesures (1988)

recommends

- that 25 812,807  $\Omega$  exactly be adopted as a conventional value, denoted by  $R_{K-90}$ , for the von Klitzing constant,  $R_K$ ,
  - that this value be used from 1st January 1990, and not before, by all laboratories which base their measurements of resistance on the quantum Hall effect,
  - that from this same date all other laboratories adjust the value of their laboratory reference standards to agree with  $R_{K-90}$ ,
  - that in the use of the quantum Hall effect to establish a laboratory reference standard of resistance, laboratories follow the most recent edition of the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC) recommendations for the use of the quantum Hall effect in the measurements of resistance.
- Comité International des Poids et Mesures,

**THE FUTURE IS NOW!**

and is of the opinion

- that no change in this recommended value of the von Klitzing constant will be necessary in the foreseeable future.





# Nobel Prize in Physics 1985

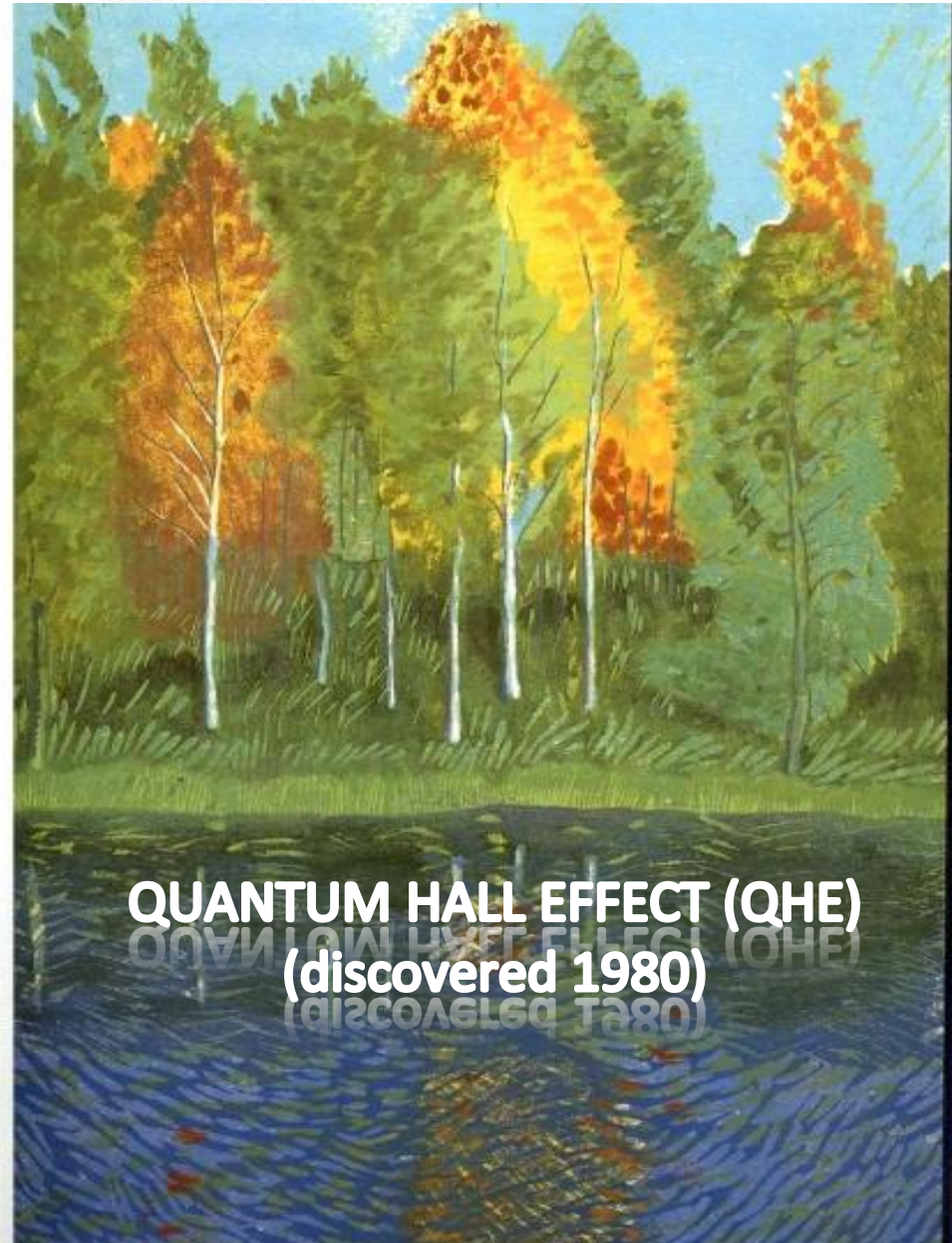


*Kungliga  
Svenska Vetenskapsakademien  
har den 16 oktober 1985 beslutat att med det  
NOBELPRIS  
som detta år tillerkännes den  
som inom fysikens område  
gjort den viktigaste upptäckten eller  
uppfinningen belöna  
Klaus von Klitzing  
för upptäckten av den kvantiserade  
Halleffekten*

STOCKHOLM DEN 10 DECEMBER 1985

*Bo Hansson*

*Anders Jönelius*



QUANTUM HALL EFFECT (QHE)  
(discovered 1980)





# Historical Remarks to our Present SI System



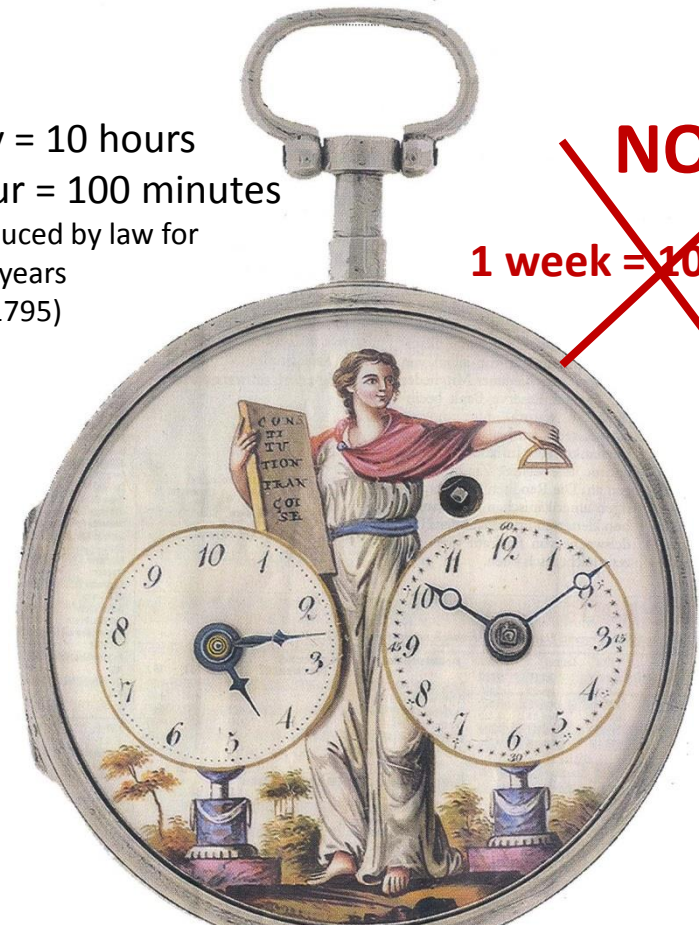
## Introduction of „Metric System“ by **French Academy of Science** ...1, 10, 100, 1000, ...



22.8.1790: Working Group for an  
**UNIVERSAL SET OF UNITS**

1 day = 10 hours  
1 hour = 100 minutes  
(introduced by law for  
only 2 years  
1793-1795)

~~NO~~  
~~1 week = 10 days~~





## **New International Electrical Reference Standards Based on the Josephson and Quantum Hall Effects**

B N Taylor<sup>1</sup> and T J Witt<sup>2</sup>

[Metrologia](#), [Volume 26](#), [Number 1](#)

Metrologia 26, 47–62 (1989)

---

**metrologia**

© Springer-Verlag 1989

---

## **New International Electrical Reference Standards Based on the Josephson and Quantum Hall Effects**

**B. N. Taylor<sup>a</sup> and T. J. Witt<sup>b</sup>**

<sup>a</sup> National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, USA

<sup>b</sup> Bureau International des Poids et Mesures, Pavillon de Breteuil, F-92312, Sèvres Cedex, France

Received: November 17, 1988





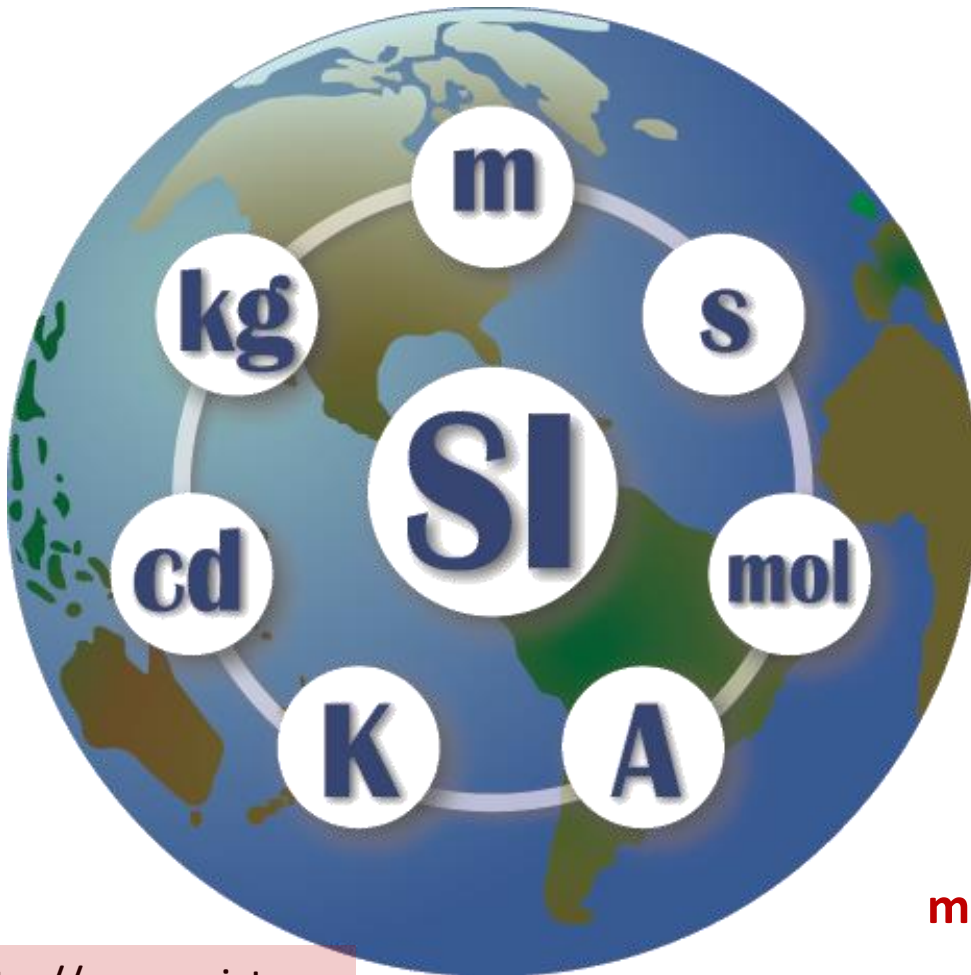
# METROLOGY

= Science of Measurements



All measurements can be expressed  
by our 7 base units

(SI units = Système international d'unités)



## International system of units (SI units)

**second** for time

**metre** for length

**kilogram** **PROTOTYPE**

**kelvin** **TRIPLEPOINT OF H<sub>2</sub>O**

**ampere** **FORCE BETWEEN WIRES**

**candela** for luminous intensity

**mole** for the amount of substance



# Welcome to the WEBCAST Session of the General Conference on Weights and Measures (CGPM)



**10:50 - Start of webcast**

## **Keynote lectures**

### **"The quantum Hall effect and the revised SI"**

Klaus von Klitzing (Nobel laureate, Max Planck Institute, Stuttgart)

### **"The role of the Planck constant in physics"**

Jean-Philippe Uzan (*Centre national de la recherche scientifique (CNRS)*, Paris)

### **"Optical atomic clocks – opening new perspectives on the quantum world"**

Jun Ye (JILA, Boulder)

### **"Measuring with fundamental constants; how the revised SI will work"**

Bill Phillips (Nobel laureate, NIST, Gaithersburg)

Introduction to the Resolution "On the revision of the International System of Units (SI)"

Martin Milton (BIPM Director)

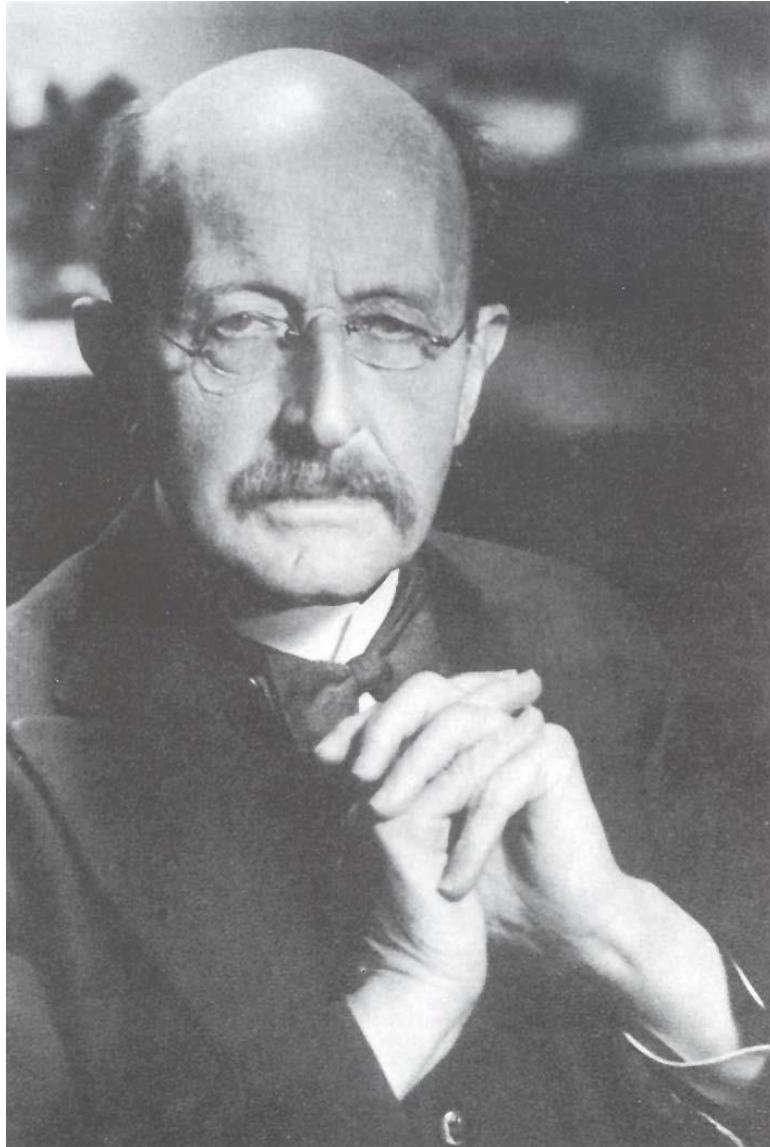
Voting on Draft Resolution A and closing remarks

Barry Inglis

**13:25 - End of session**



# 100th Anniversary of Nobel Prize for „ENERGY QUANTA“



The Nobel Prize in Physics 1918  
Max Planck

Share this: [f](#) [G+](#) [t](#) [+](#) [e](#) [47](#)

## The Nobel Prize in Physics 1918



Max Karl Ernst  
Ludwig Planck  
Prize share: 1/1

The Nobel Prize in Physics 1918 was awarded to Max Planck *"in recognition of the services he rendered to the advancement of Physics by his discovery of energy quanta"*.

Max Planck received his Nobel Prize one year later, in 1919. During the selection process in 1918, the Nobel Committee for Physics decided that none of the year's nominations met the criteria as outlined in the will of Alfred Nobel. According to the Nobel Foundation's statutes, the Nobel Prize can in such a case be reserved until the following year, and this statute was then applied. Max Planck therefore received his Nobel Prize for 1918 one year later, in 1919.



# Result of the Performance 23.4.1938



## Present for Max Planck at his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday (23.4.1938)

$$h \equiv 6,543210 \cdot 10^{-27} \text{ erg sec}$$

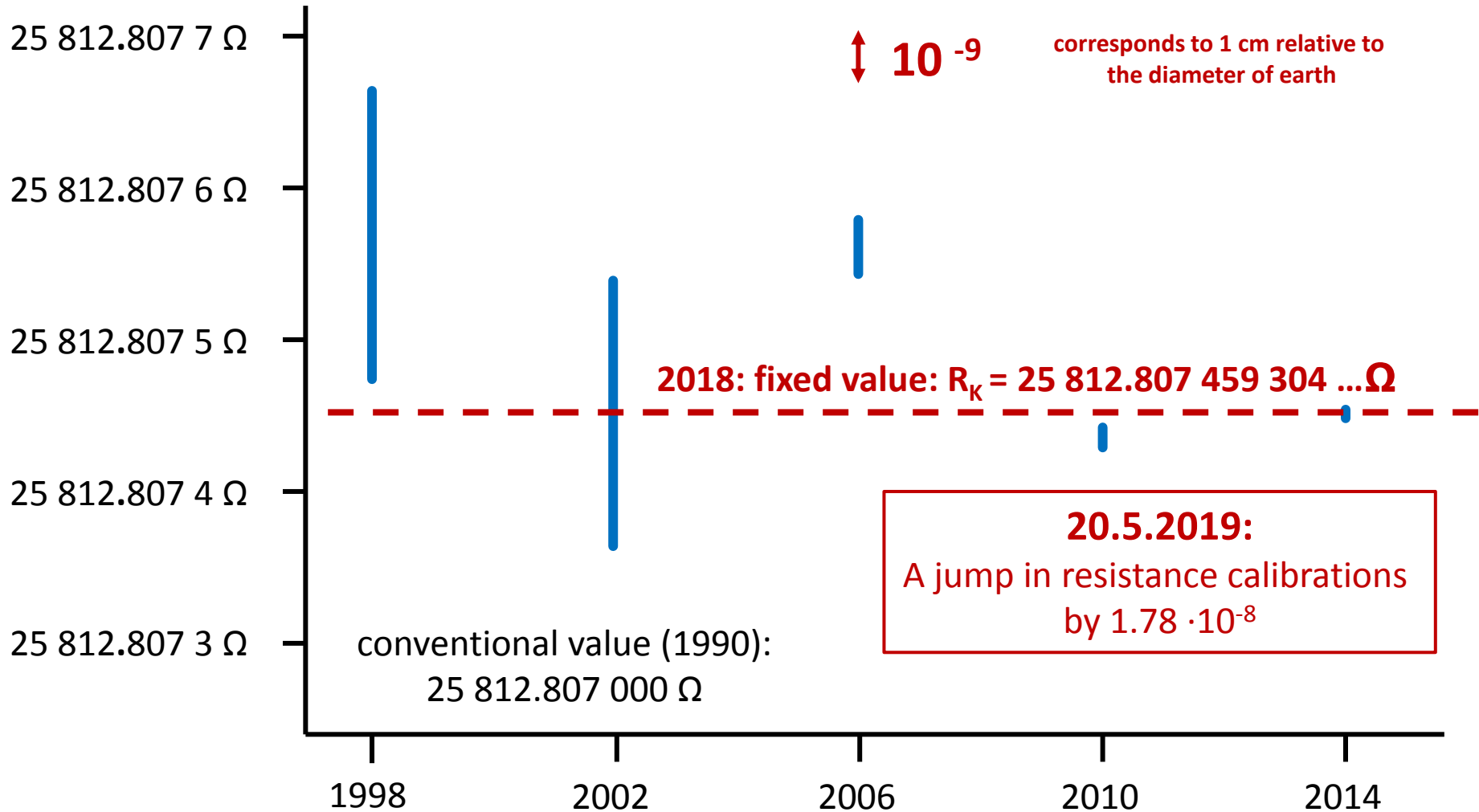
A real birthday gift for Max Planck 80 years later (2018)

$$2018: \quad h \equiv 6,626\ 070\ 15 \cdot 10^{-34} \text{ kg m}^2\text{s}^{-1}$$



# von Klitzing constant

CODATA recommended values)







# The Expected Value of VON KLITZING CONSTANT (from "mises en pratique")



**h/e<sup>2</sup> = 25812,807 459 304 506 660  
045 516 706 087 443 042 457 273  
221 403 421 768 329 716 073 228  
965 768 572 716 532 282 171 634  
884 319 000 217 144 421 378 765  
742 75.. Ohm**

## CERTIFICATE

CERTIFYING THE VALUE  
OF THE VON KLITZING CONSTANT

ON THE OCCASION OF VON KLITZING'S 75<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY

$$R_K = h/e^2 = 25\,812.807\,459\,3045\,\Omega^*$$

\*This value has been calculated to 15 significant digits

Where  $h$  is  $6.626\,070\,15 \times 10^{-34}$  J s,  
and  $e$  is  $1.602\,176\,634 \times 10^{-19}$  C

But, in those rare cases where this error may not be negligible,  
additional digits should be employed.

- Mise en Pratique for the definition of the ampere and other electric units in the SI

258128074593045066	258128074593
60045516706087443	045066600455
042	167
457	060
273	874
2214	430424572732
0342	2140
1768	3421
3297	7683
1607	297
3228	160
9657	7322
685	89657685

*Joachim Ullrich*  
Joachim Ullrich, PTB President

**Thank you for your attention!**



26<sup>e</sup> CGPM

Versailles  
13-16 novembre 2018



- the decision to adopt the conventional values of the Josephson constant  $K_{J-90}$  and of the von Klitzing constant  $R_{K-90}$  taken by the CIPM (1988, Recommendations 1 and 2) at the request of the CGPM (18th meeting of the CGPM, 1987, Resolution 6) for the establishment of representations of the volt and the ohm using the Josephson and quantum Hall effects, respectively, is abrogated.



# 18<sup>th</sup> CGPM Meeting (1987)









# How my **Nobel Prize** Contributed to this Development





# Final Statement



Fundamental constants ( $h, e, c, k_B, N_A$ ) form the most stable basis for a new international system of units. They will replace our present *SI system*

in the near future, the member of the

‘The General Conference on Weights and Measures’)

have the chance to decide, that this future starts today!

**The Biggest Revolution in Metrology  
Since the French Revolution**

