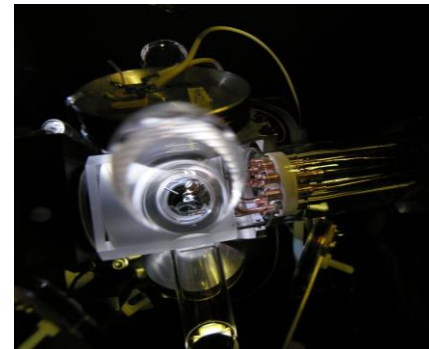
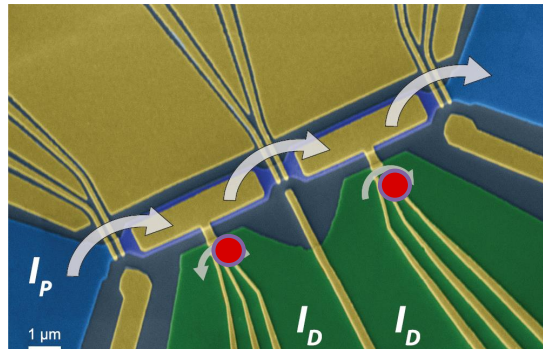


# The revised SI for innovation, science and the second quantum revolution



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## The birthplace of Quantum Mechanics



$$l_P = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar G}{c^3}} = 1.61 \cdot 10^{-31} \text{ m}$$

$$m_P = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar c}{G}} = 2.17 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ kg}$$

$$t_P = \frac{l_P}{c} = 5.39 \cdot 10^{-44} \text{ s}$$

$$T_P = \frac{m_P c^2}{k} = 1.41 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ K}$$



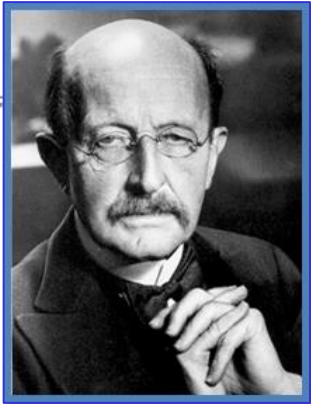
*von Max Planck.*

Dem gegenüber dürfte es nicht ohne Interesse sein zu bemerken, dass mit Zuhilfenahme der beiden in dem Ausdruck (41) der Strahlungsentropie auftretenden Constanten

un ...with the help of **fundamental constants** we have the possibility of establishing units of length, time, mass, and temperature, which necessarily retain their validity for all times and civilisations, even extraterrestrial and nonhuman...

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irreverenz der Naturgesetze;  
von allen Zeiten und allen Völkern.



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# SI International System of Units

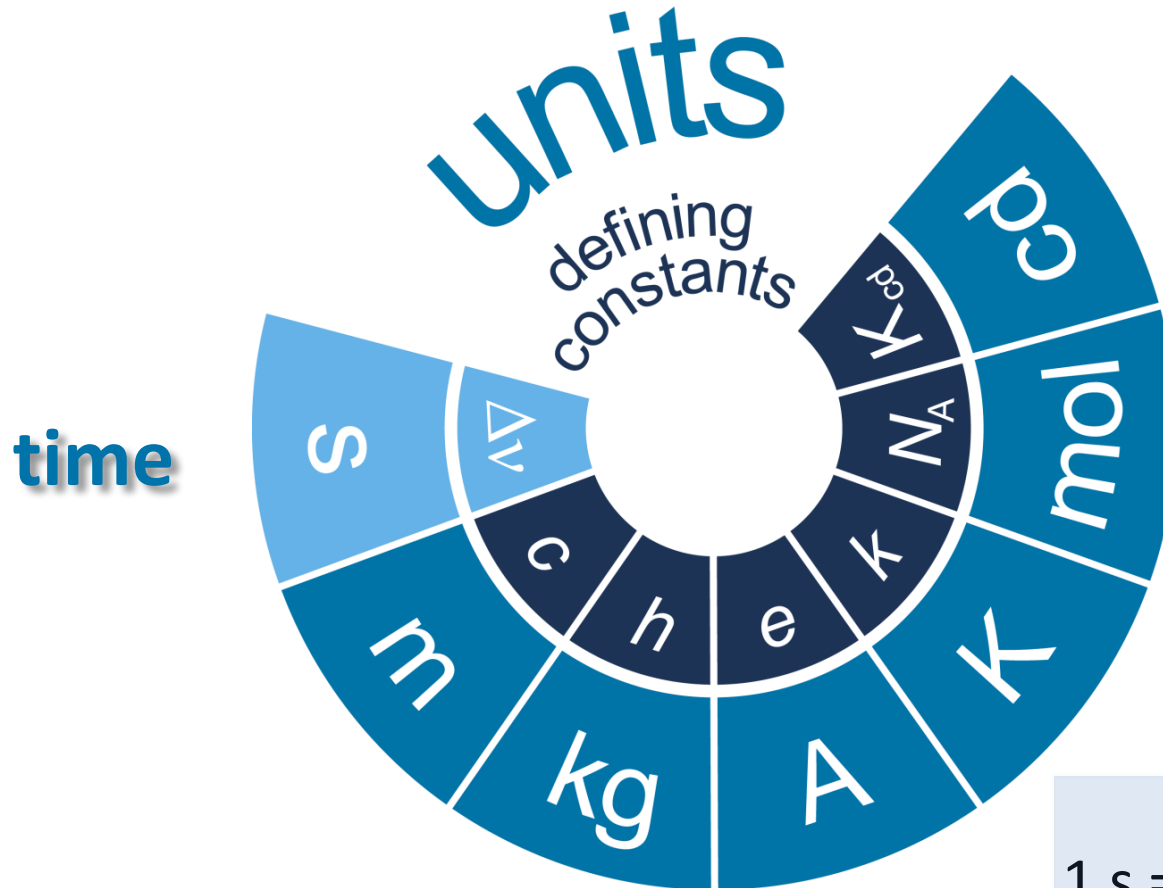


A consistent  
and coherent set:

based on our present understanding of nature

# Revised International System of Units

Define units by fixing the numerical value of a constant of nature



$$1 \text{ s} = \frac{9\,192\,631\,770}{\Delta\nu(^{133}\text{Cs})_{\text{hfs}}}$$



Realization of SI second

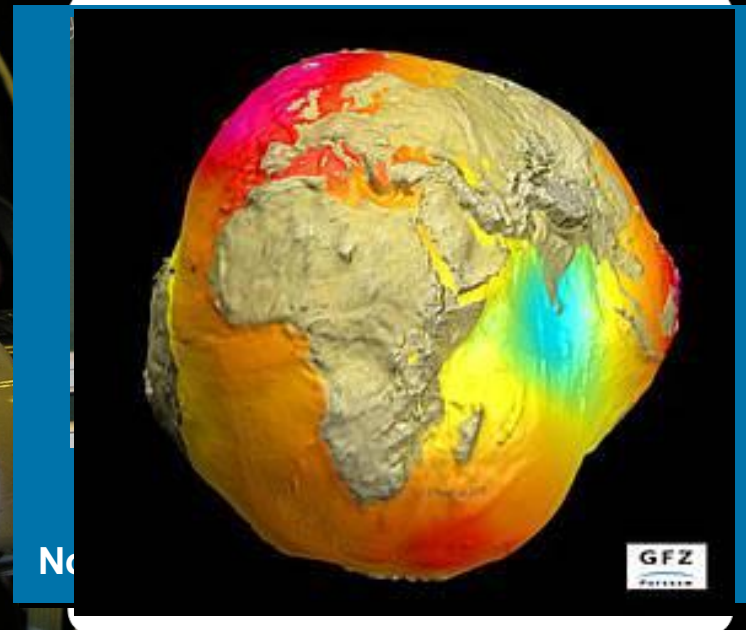
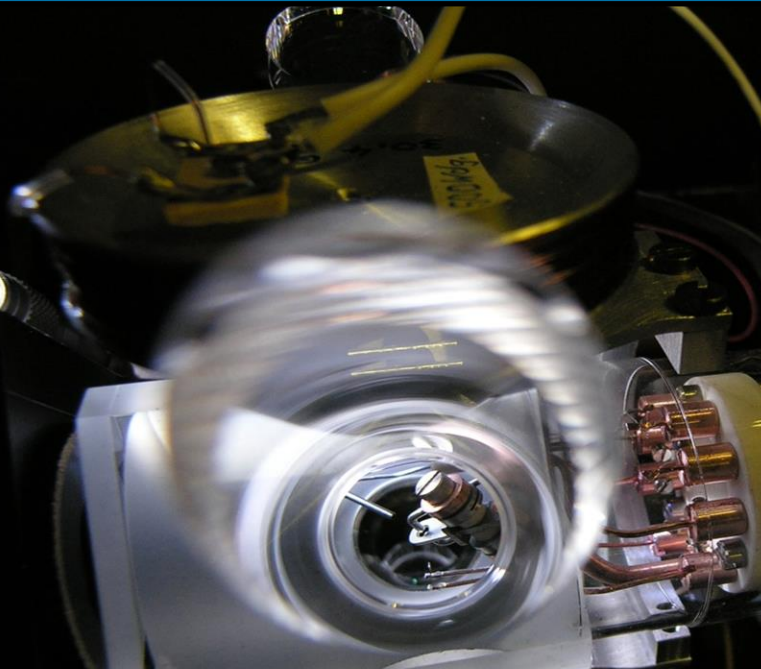
- highest reliability
- small uncertainty:  $2.0 \times 10^{-16}$

One of the most accurate realizations worldwide!

**Impact:** coordinated time for GALILEO, ACES

$$1 \text{ s} = \frac{9\,192\,631\,770}{\Delta \nu (^{133}\text{Cs})_{\text{hfs}}}$$

## The “optical pendulum” for next-generation atomic clocks



Frequency-comb technology: Frequency Comparison

**How to connect the clocks?**

**Systematic uncertainty (single-ion clock-frequency):  $3 \times 10^{-18}$**





Accuracy in optical frequency transfer over  
100 km of underground fibre

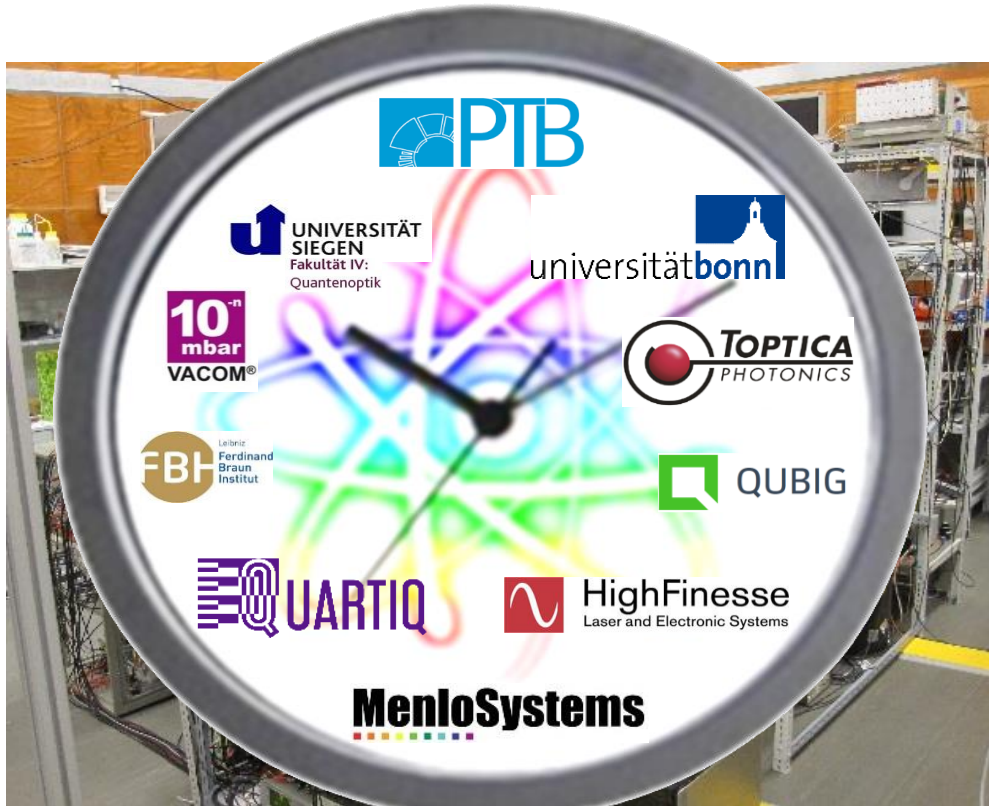
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## A European fiber network for

- high-precision frequency / time transmission
- quantum cryptography
- ultra-broadband information transmission

## Next-generation portable clocks: replace H-Maser

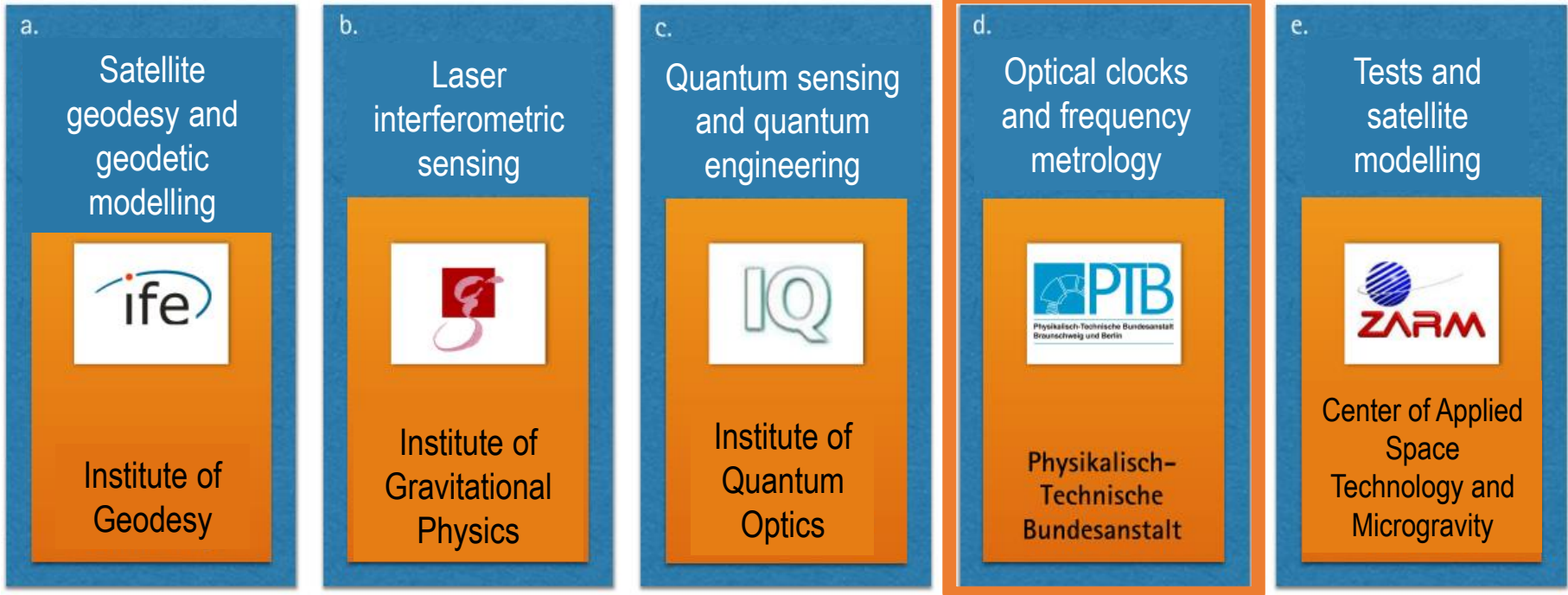


**<10<sup>-16</sup> Uncertainty**

**~10<sup>-1</sup> OptiClock Consortium  
Optical Single Ion Clock**

**Clock**

- Data network synchronization
- Geoid surveying



## PTB contributions

- Phase-stable laser systems for ground and space applications
- Integrated quantum sensors
- Optical atomic clocks for ground and space applications
- Phase-coherent optical time and frequency transfer

# The Quantum Mechanics provides the mass scale via fundamental constants

$$m_e = \frac{2hR_\infty}{c\alpha^2}$$



..count the number of atoms in a crystal sphere of enriched  $^{28}\text{Si}$

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Institute



NPL  
National Physical Laboratory

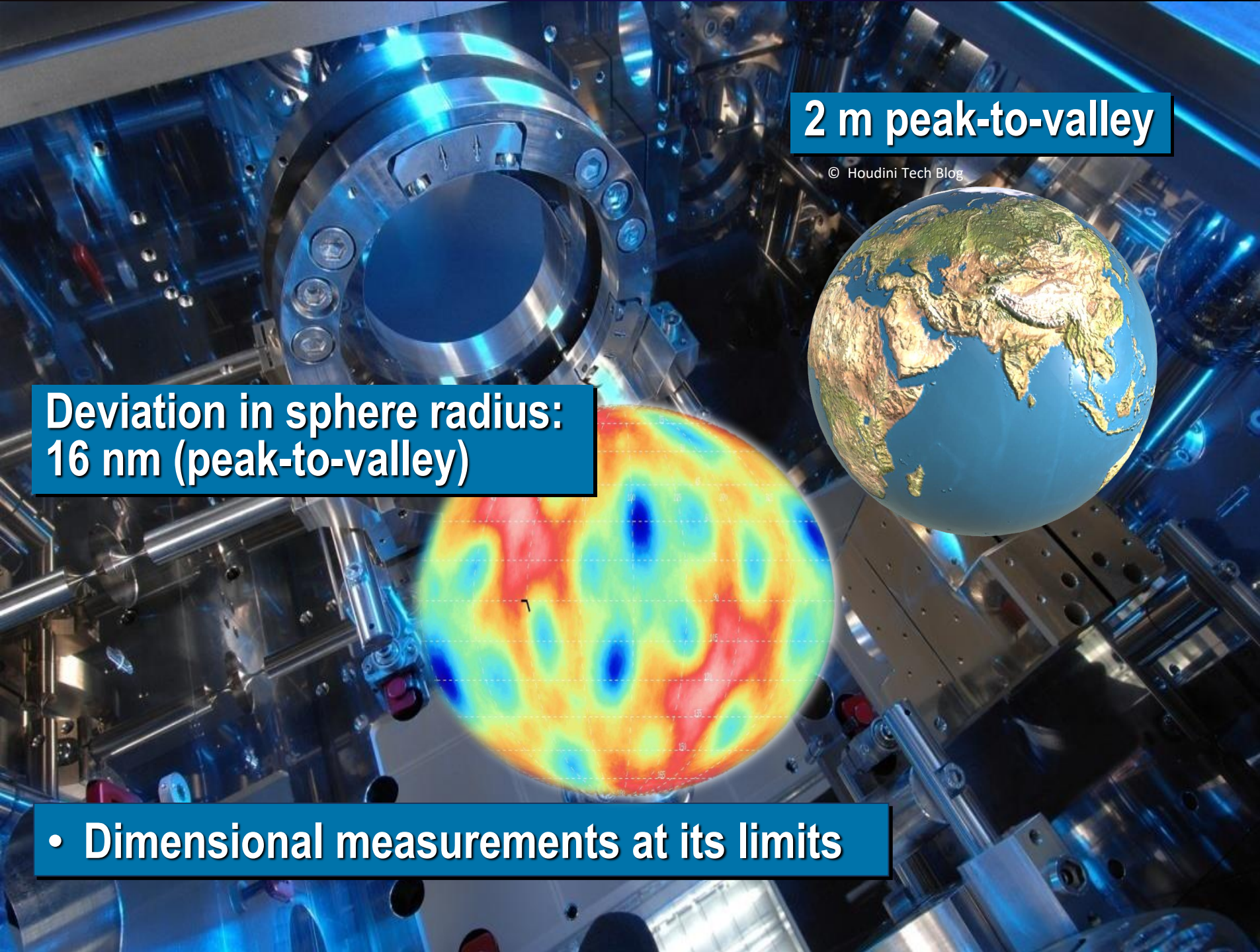


**2 m peak-to-valley**

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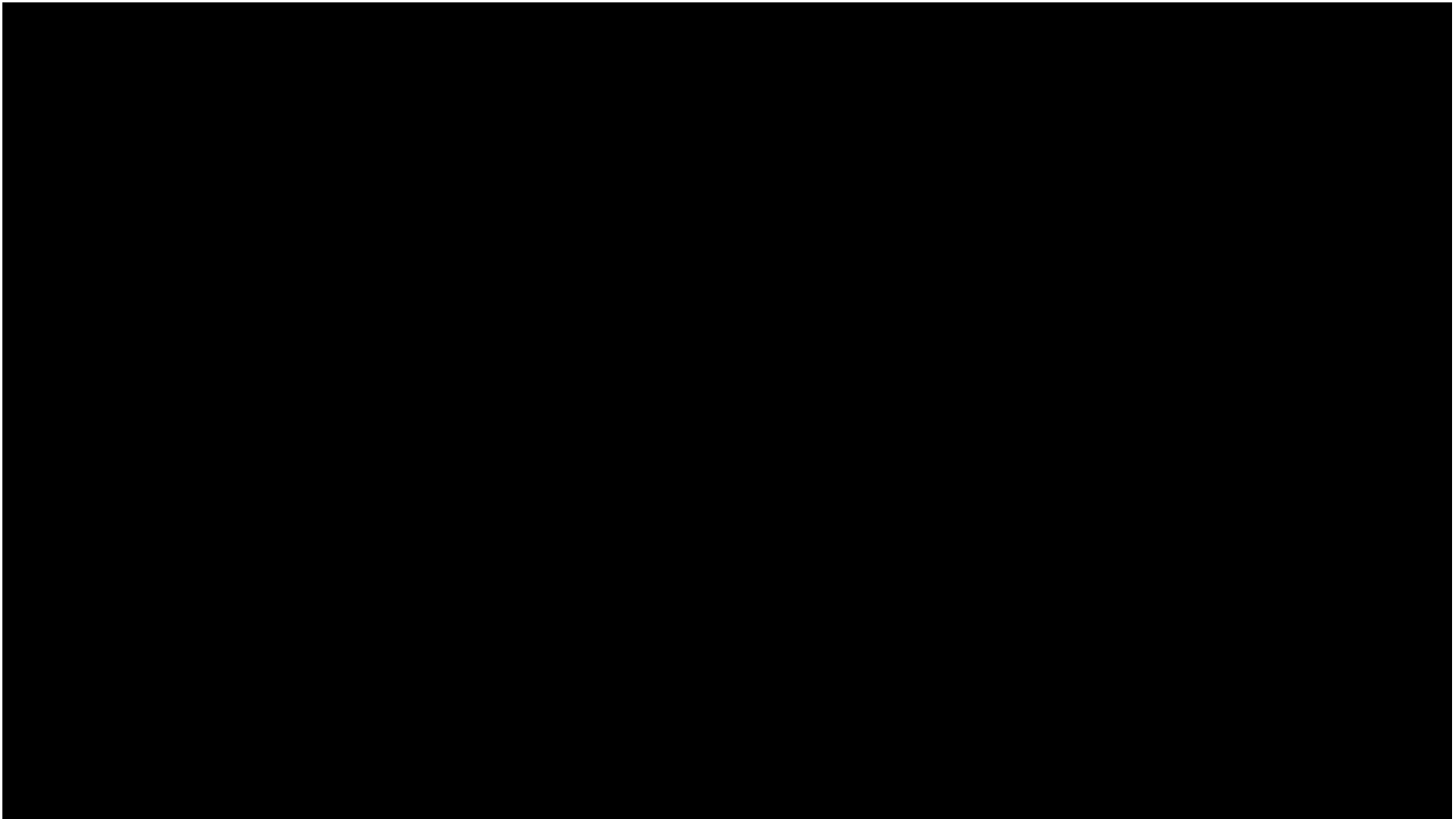
**Deviation in sphere radius:  
16 nm (peak-to-valley)**

- **Dimensional measurements at its limits**

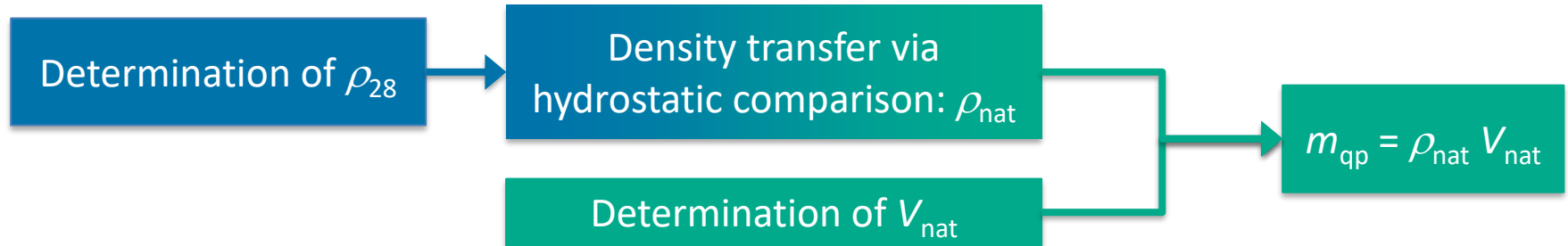


# Si Spheres and Characterization

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# Innovation: Natural Silicon



**“primary”**

Mass determination by characterisation of the sphere parameters



**“quasi-primary”**

“potential” to become primary



**“secondary”**

Mass determination via mass calibration

**Relative uncertainty depends mainly on determination of molar mass of natural silicon – at present in the order of  $10^{-6}$**

## Commercial Kibble Balances

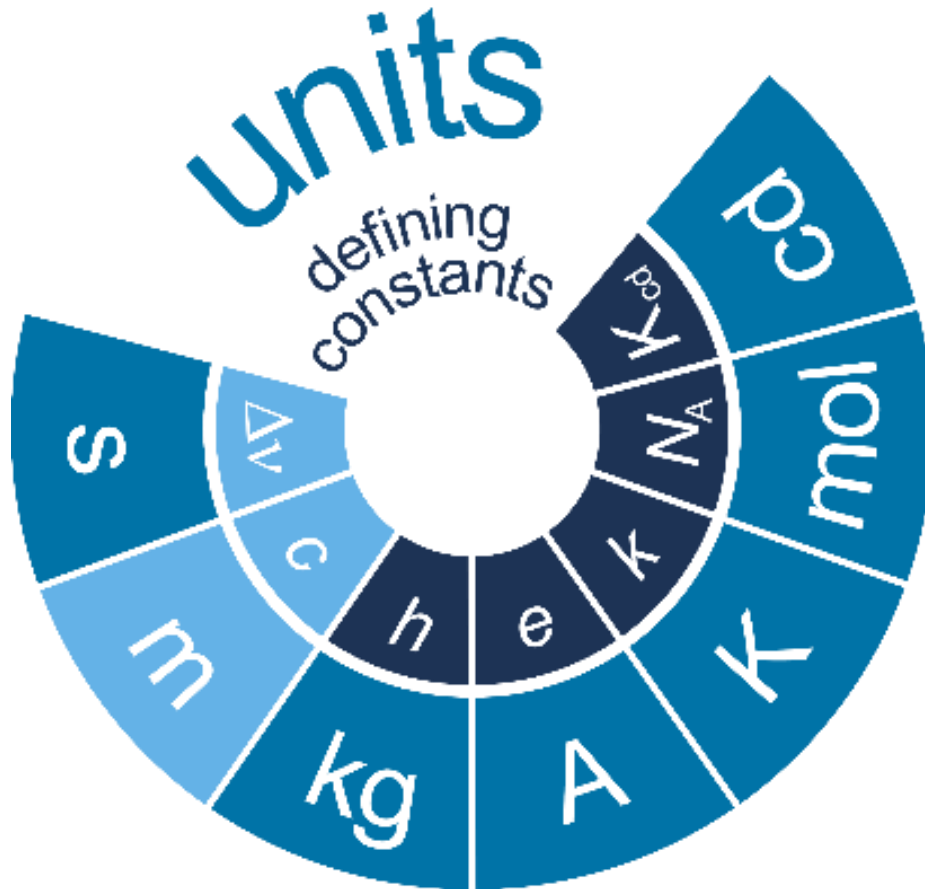
- “self-calibrating”
- high precision
- industrial application: E1, E2
- “off-the-shelf” components
- connected to the IoT



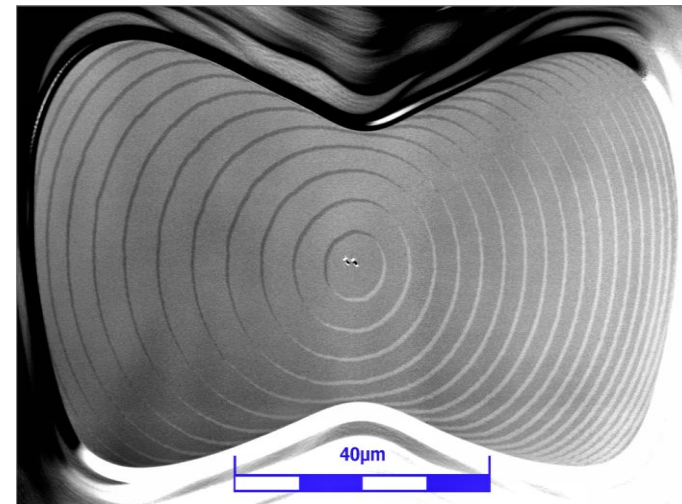
Version	Mass range	MPE OIML R111-1	$U_r \leq 1/3 \cdot \text{MPE}$ $k=2$	Environment
PB 2 (E2)	1 mg...100 g	$16 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$5.3 \cdot 10^{-7}$	Air
PB 1 (E1)	1 mg...1 kg	$5 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-7}$	High Vacuum



## Single crystal silicon lattice structures for nanometrology



**Surface metrology**  
based on monoatomic  
steps and atomically flat  
areas

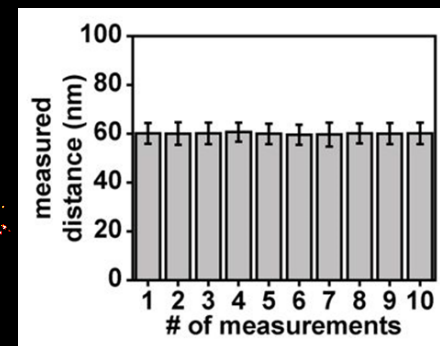
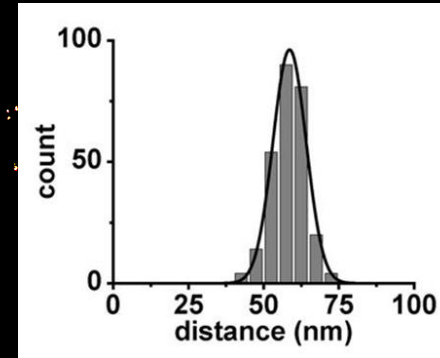


traceable length standard in the nanometre regime

Technology transfer award 2017  
of the IHK Braunschweig



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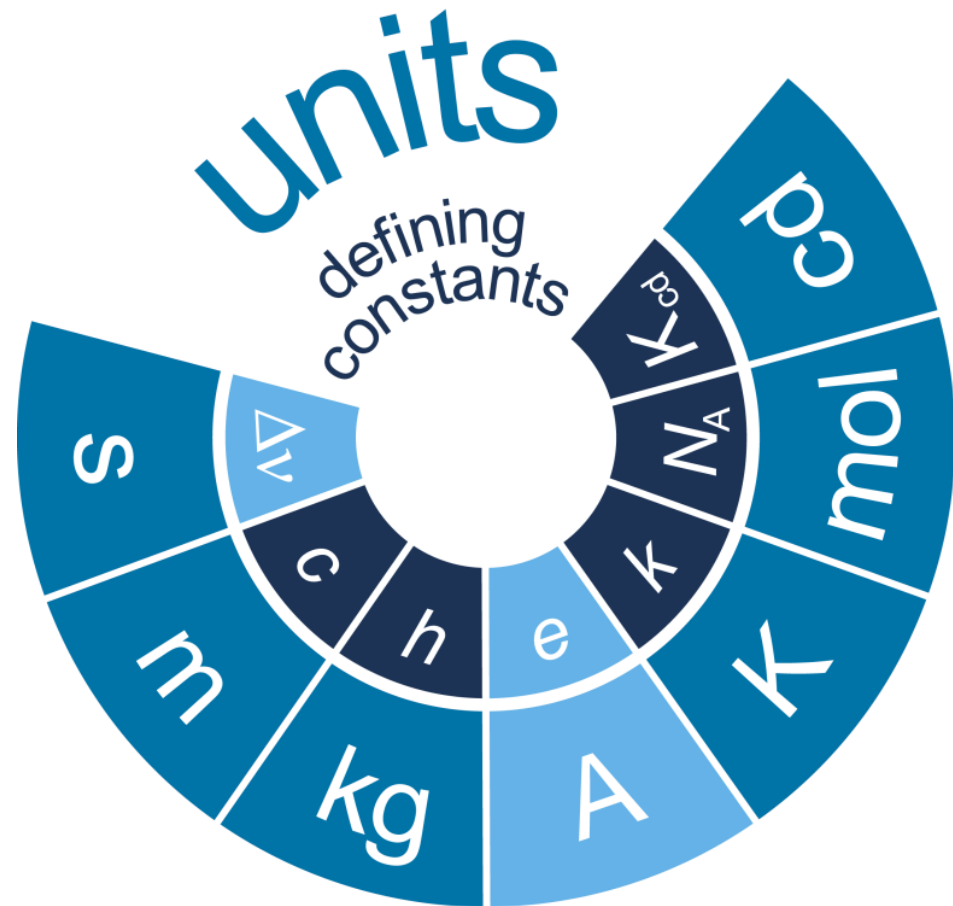
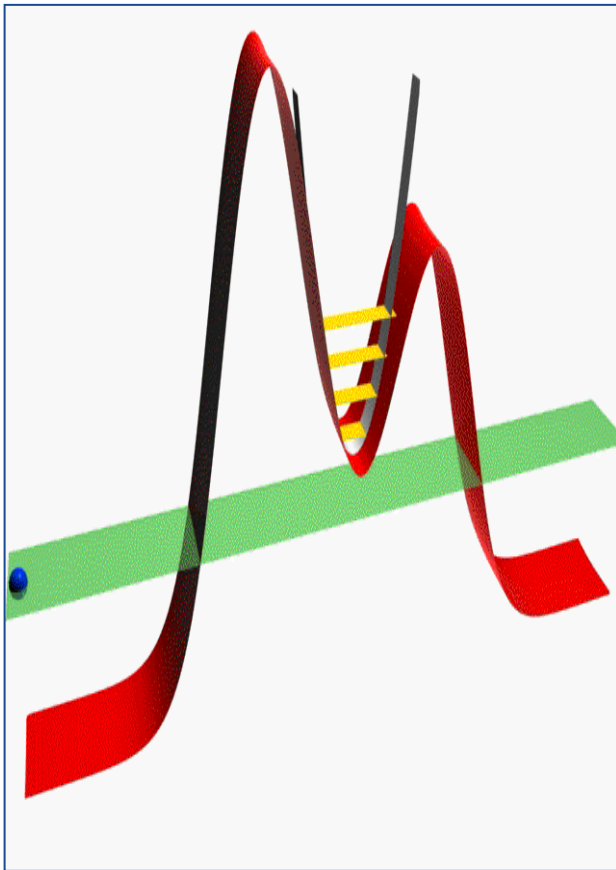
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→ quality assurance in bio-technology

• self-organized DNA

• **Support emerging German biotechnology industry**

# Revised International System of Units

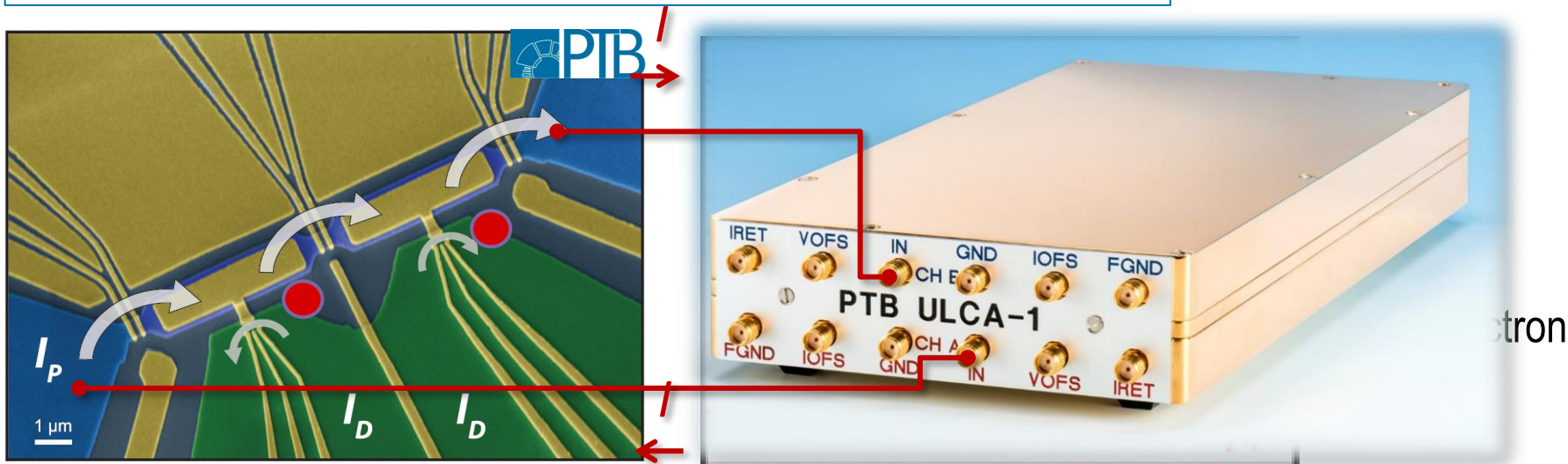


$$I = \langle n \rangle e f$$

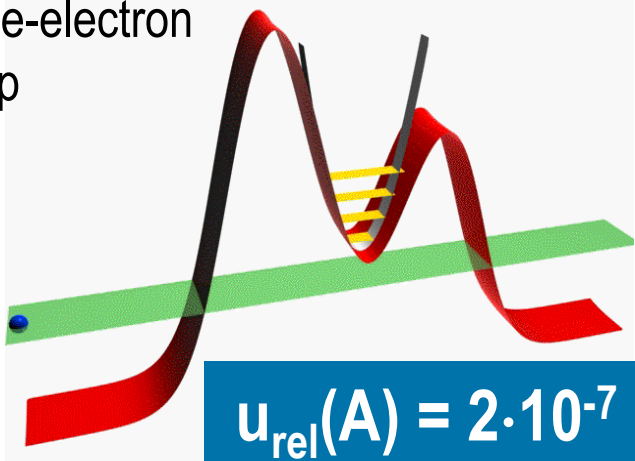
current

# Innovation: Single Electron Tunneling Devices

## Self-referenced noise-free electrical current



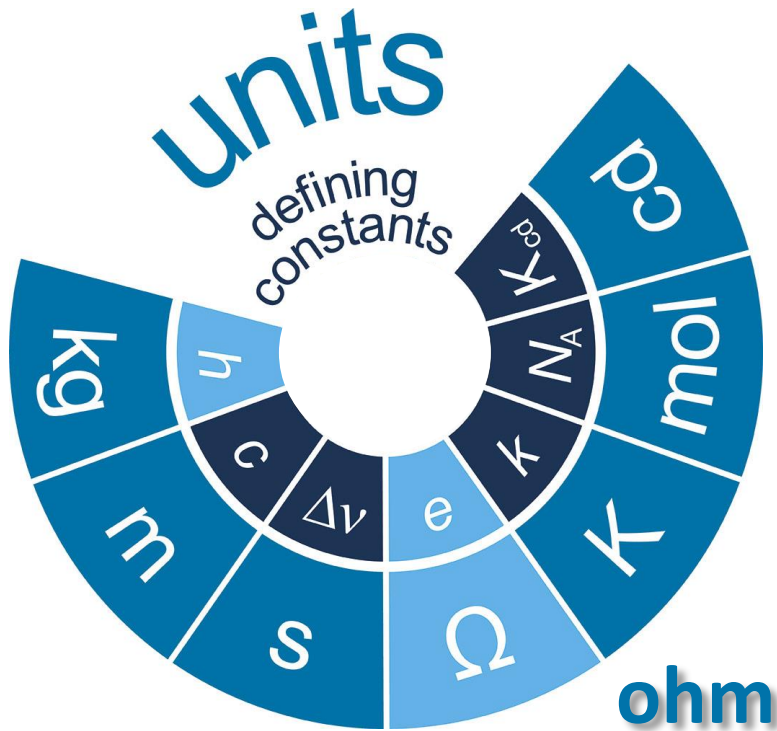
single-electron  
pump



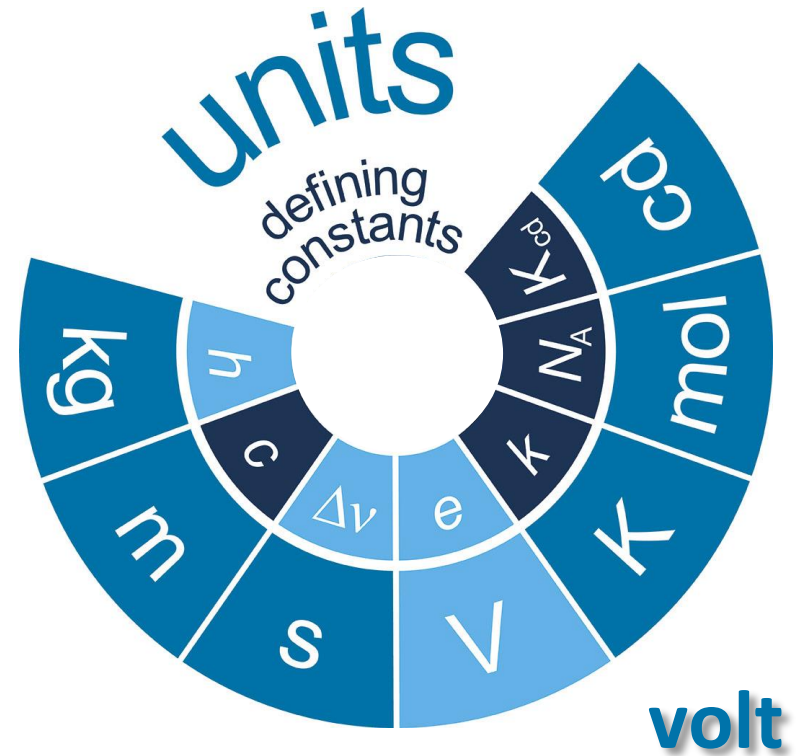
## Future applications

- Shot-noise-free electronics
- Quantum (spin)electronics
- Photonic technologies
- Quantum information

# Revised International System of Units



$$R_K = h / e^2$$



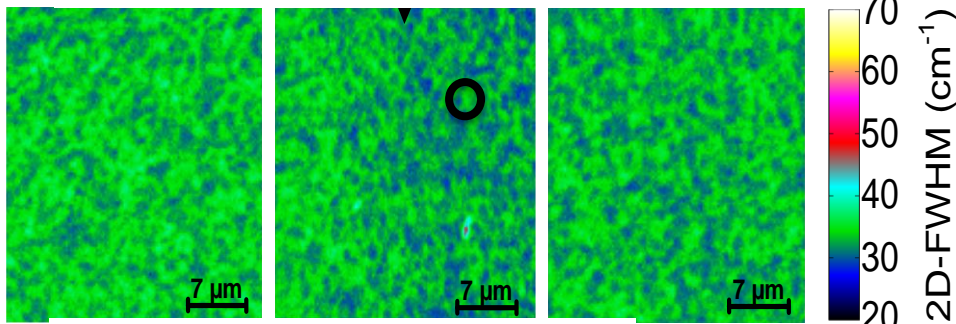
$$K_J = 2e / h$$

# Innovation: Quantum Hall in Graphene

## QHE Resistance: Graphene

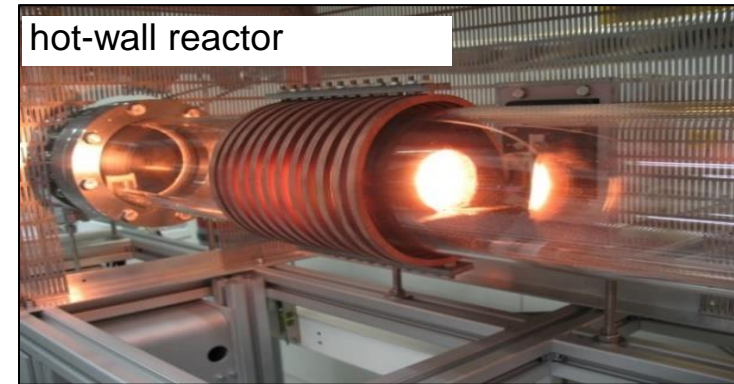
### Goal: Operation at small B-field

- Production of epitaxial graphene on SiC established at PTB

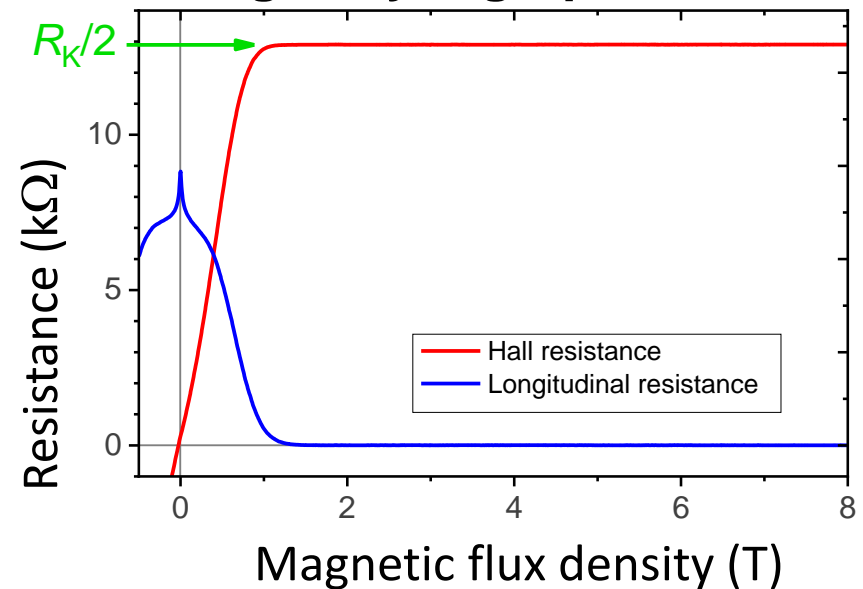


Practically no bilayers (red spots)

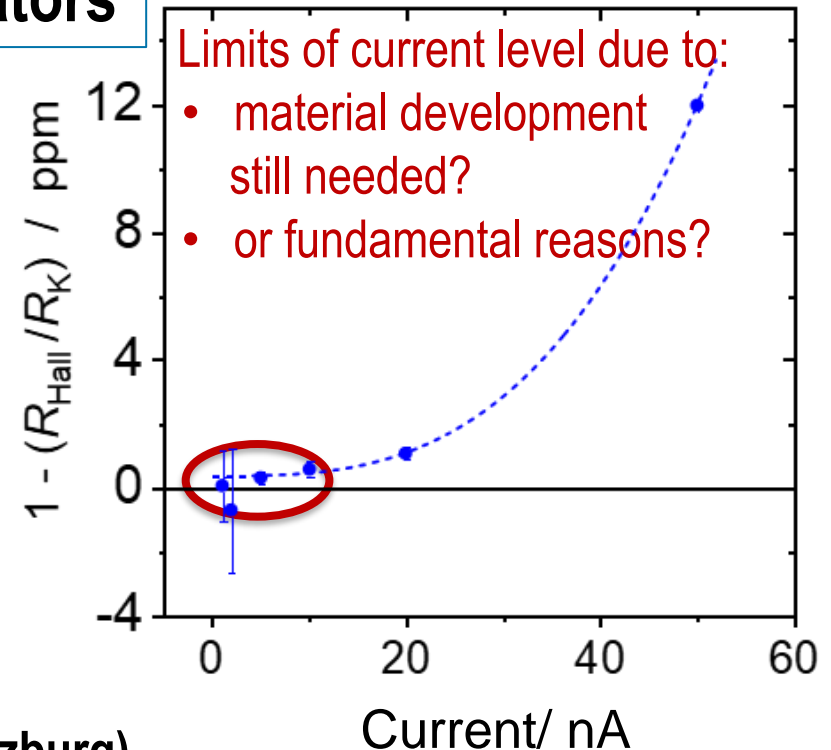
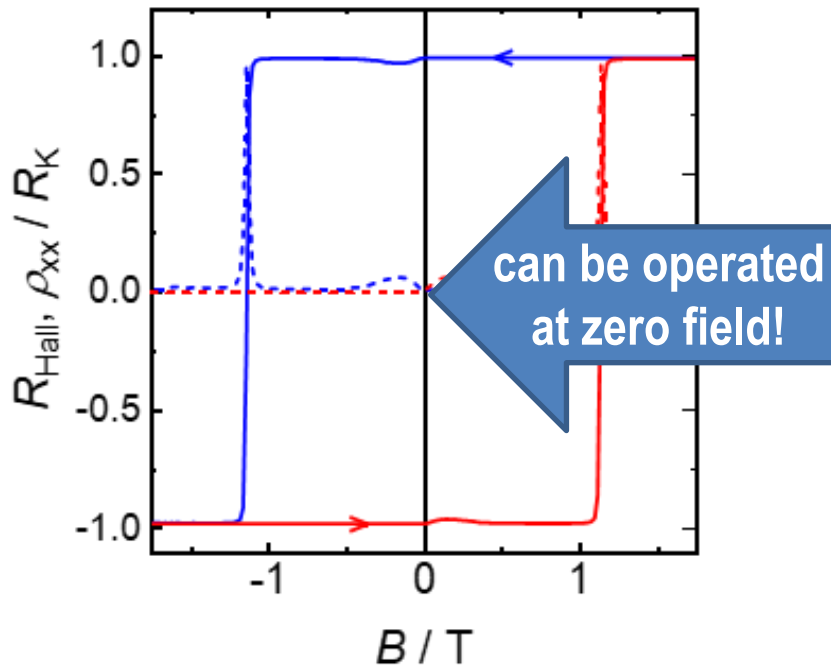
- Excellent dc- and ac-QHE demonstrated
- Yet to be optimized:* achieving stable and robust carrier concentration



- Patented growth method for single-layer graphene



## QHE Resistance: Topological Insulators



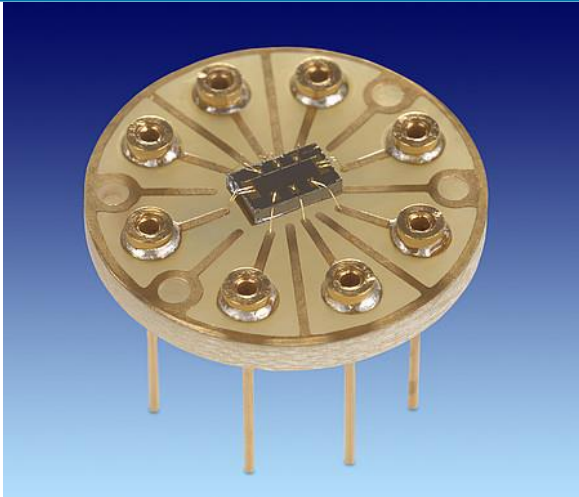
Topological Insulators: W. Molenkamp (U. Würzburg)

**Proof of universality with 0.25 ppm  
measurement uncertainty at a few nA**

**Goal: increase operating currents and S/N by factor 1000**

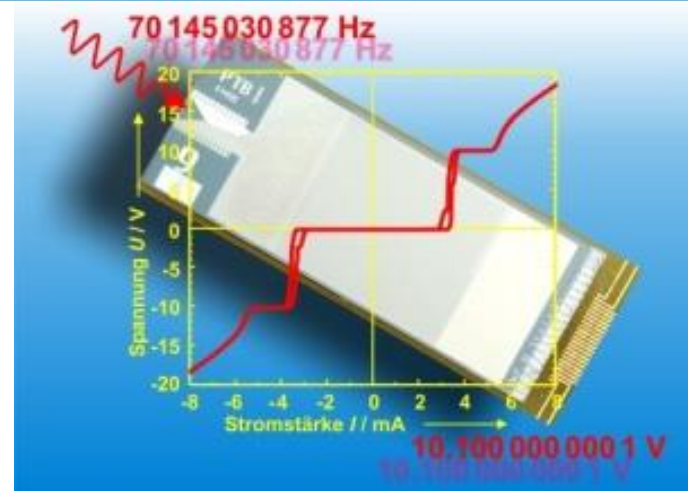
## Combined Electrical Standard Device

### Quantum Hall Resistor



Best operation:  
1.5 K, 10 T

### Josephson Voltage Standard

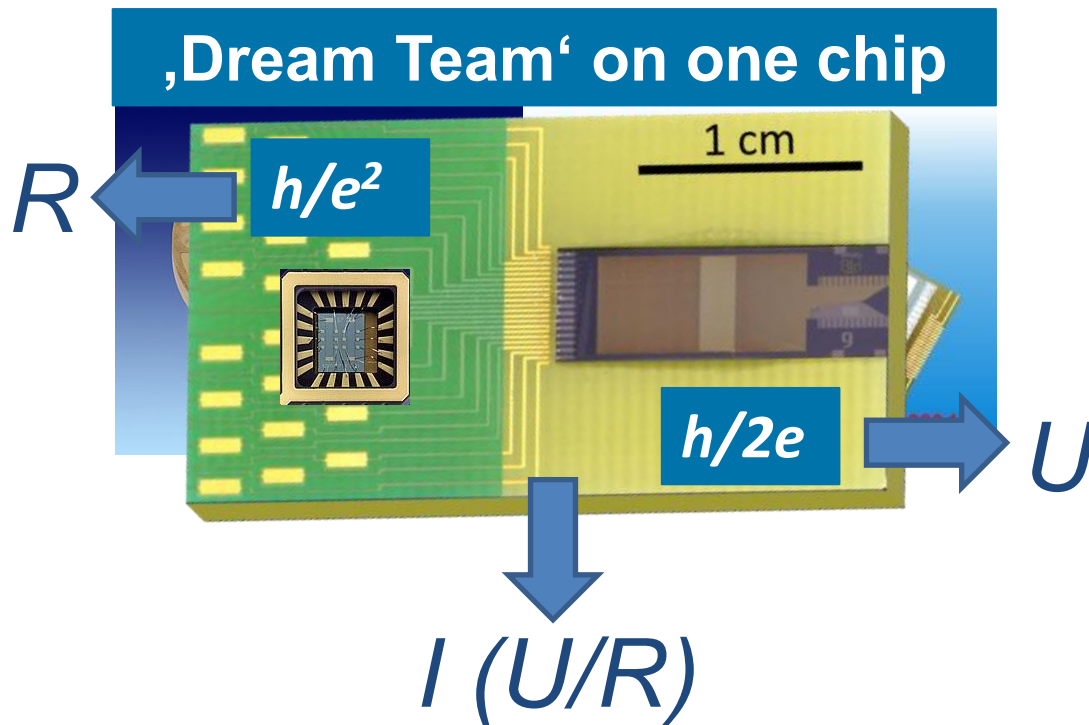


Best operation:  
4 K, 0 T



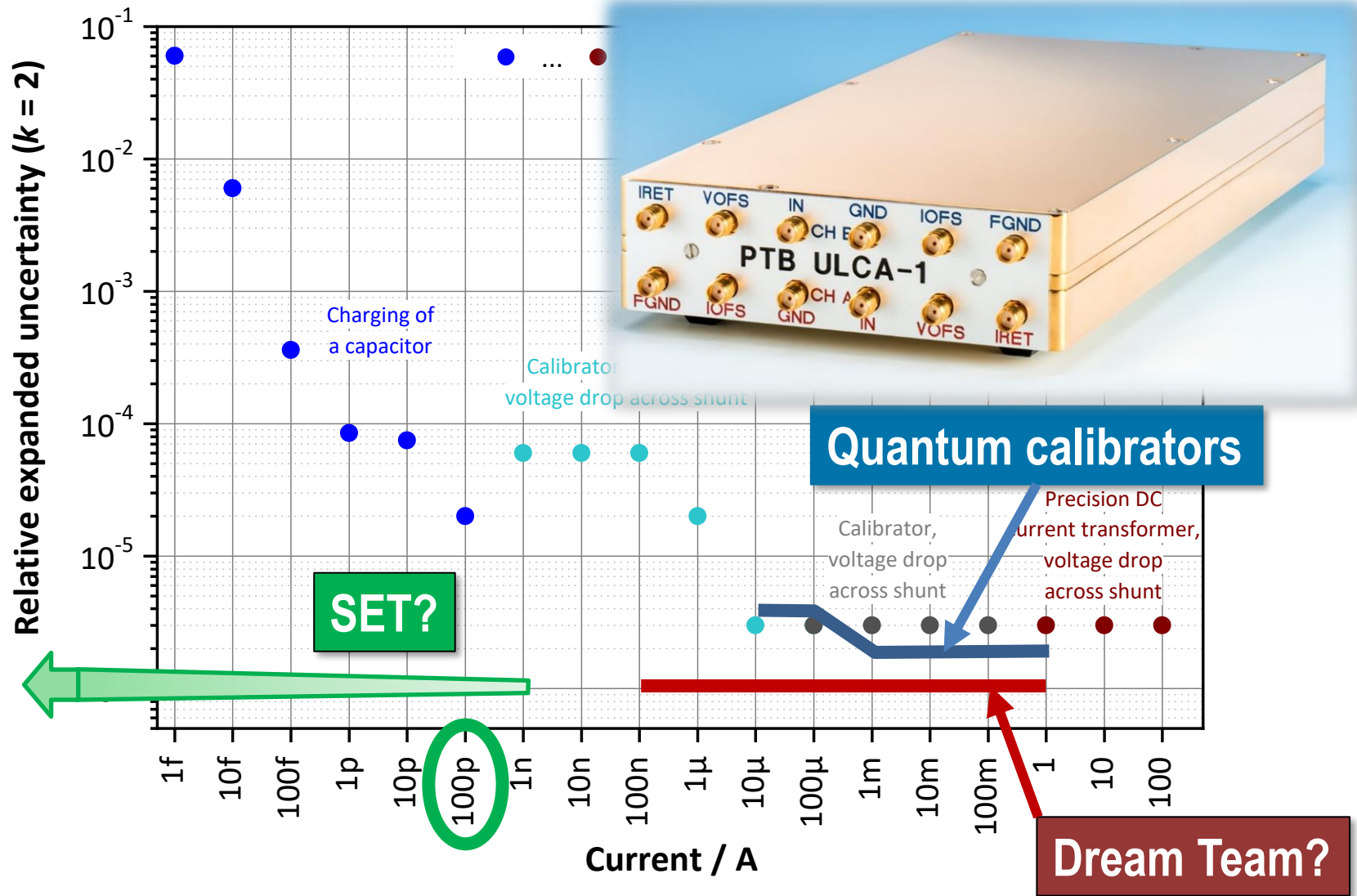
# Innovation: Dream Team

## Combined Electrical Standard Device

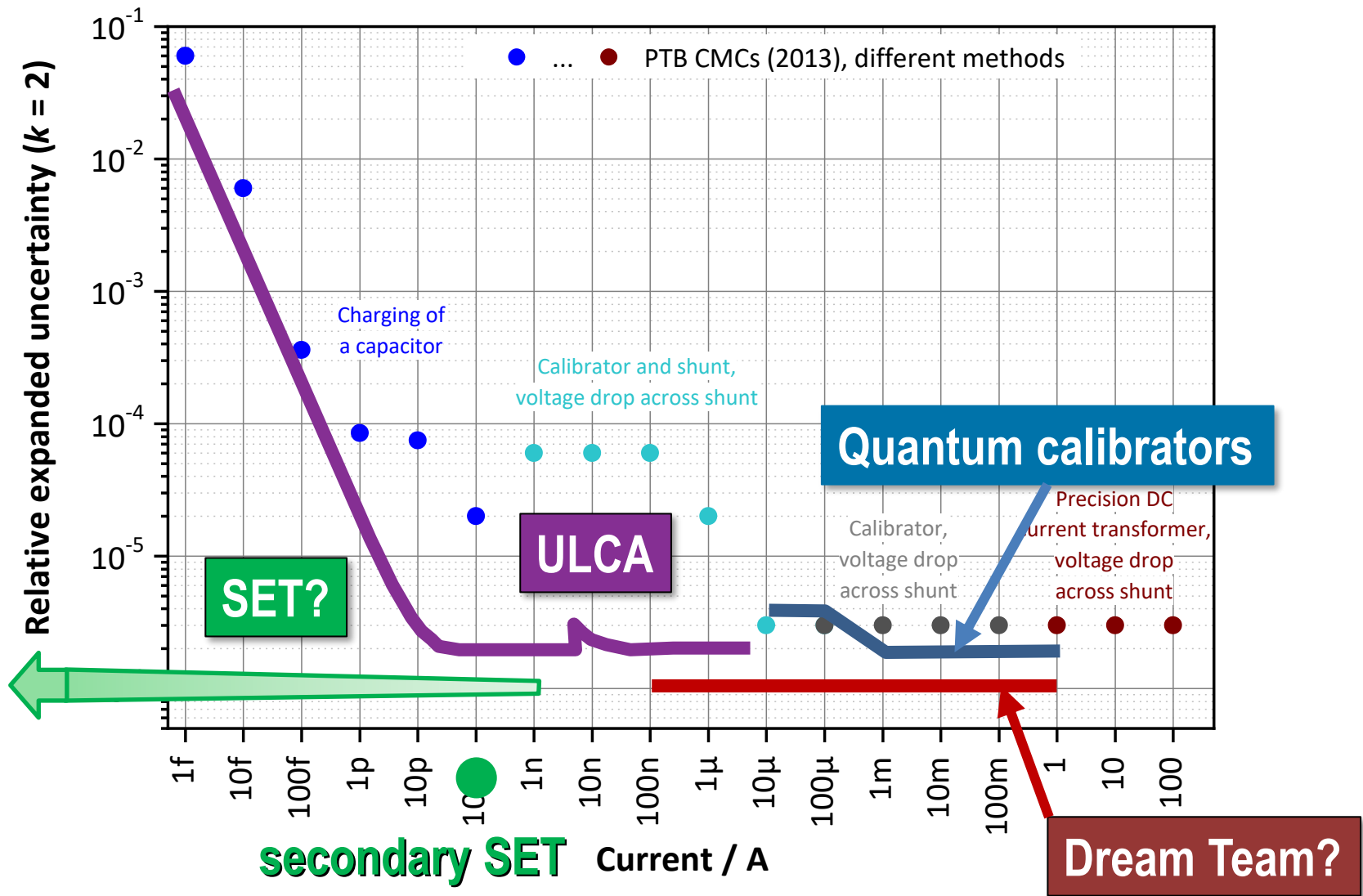


Operation at:  
4 K, 0 T  
A single cryostat  
Cost: < 100 k€

# DC Current Metrology: Present & Future



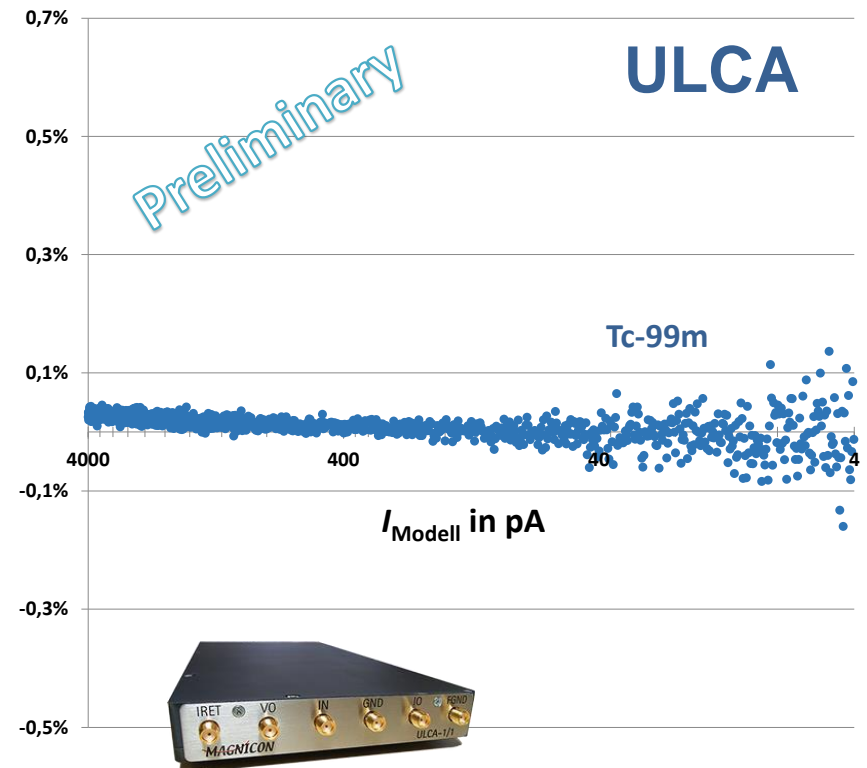
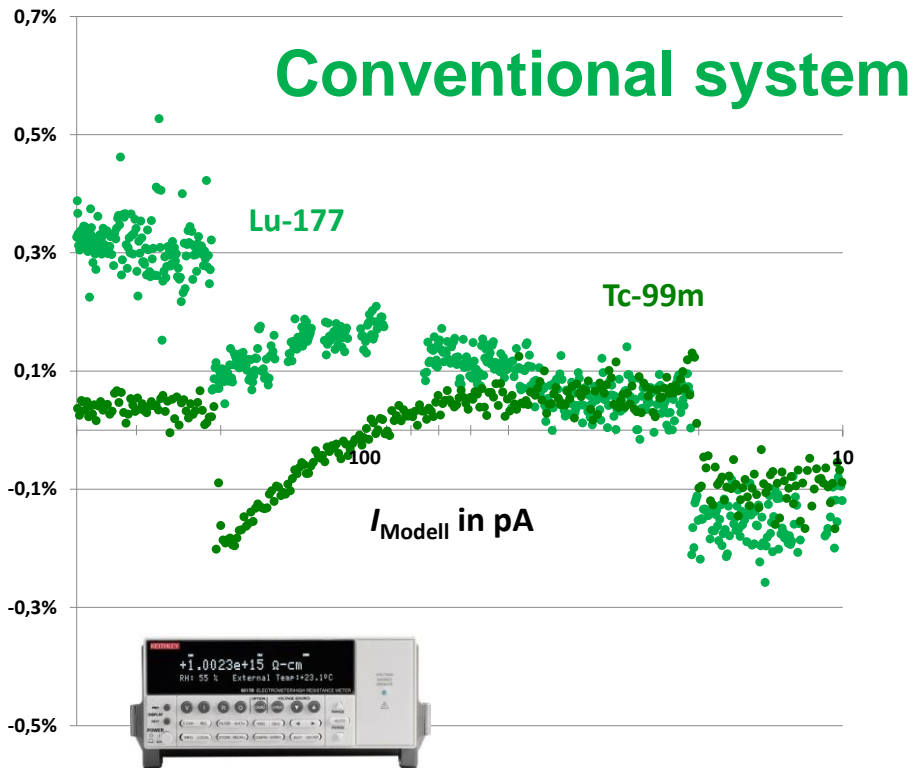
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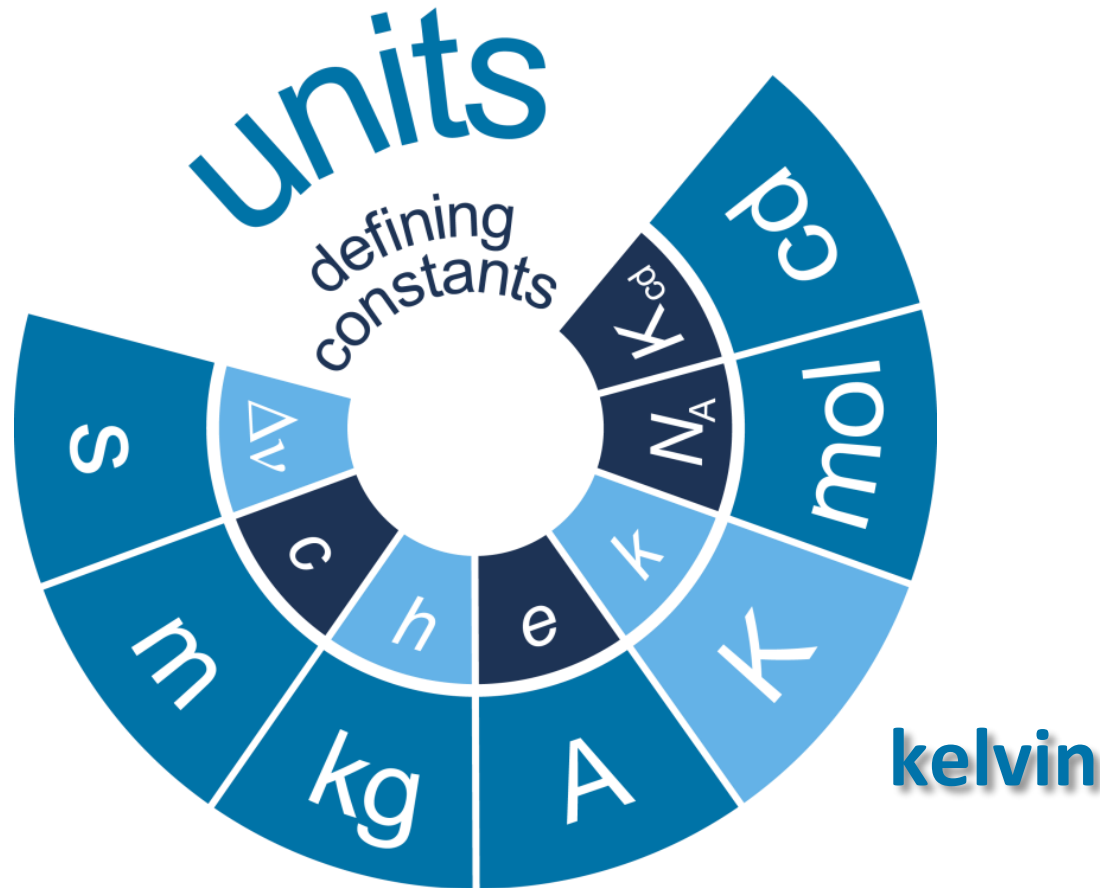
# Innovation: ULCAs in Radiation Dosimetry

## ULCAs at PTB Ionization Chamber

→ New: CCEM-CCRI task group on low current measurements

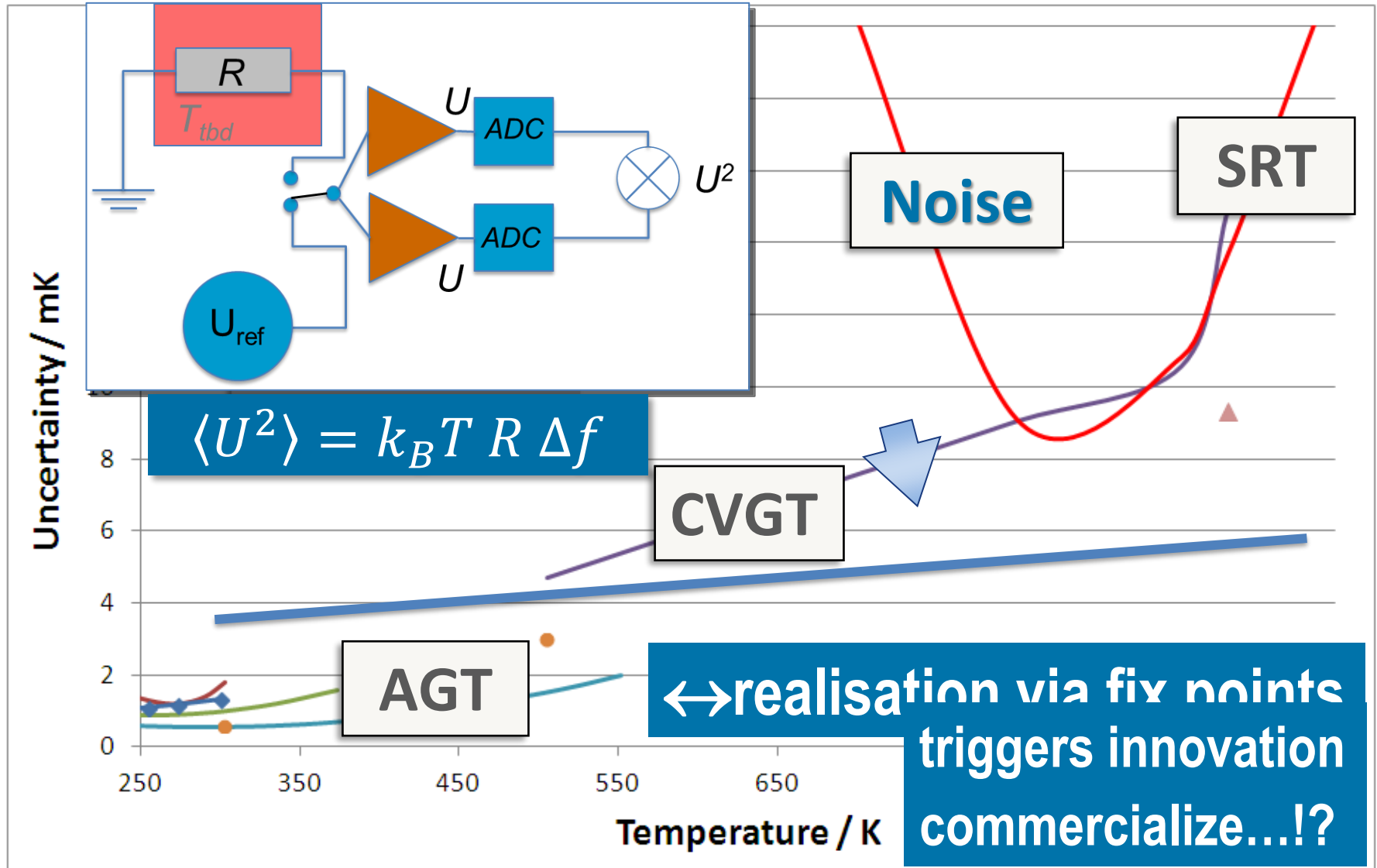


# Revised International System of Units



$$E = \frac{1}{2} k T$$

# Innovation: Johnson Noise Thermometry

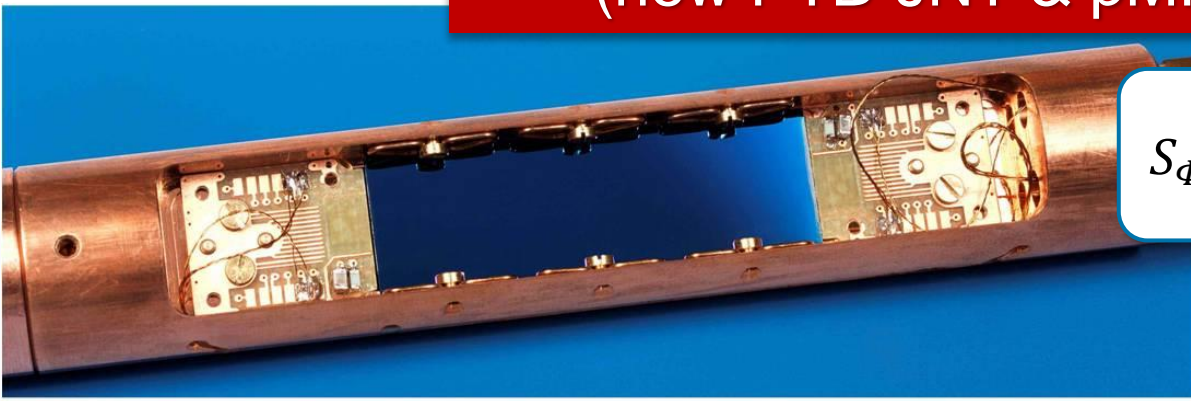
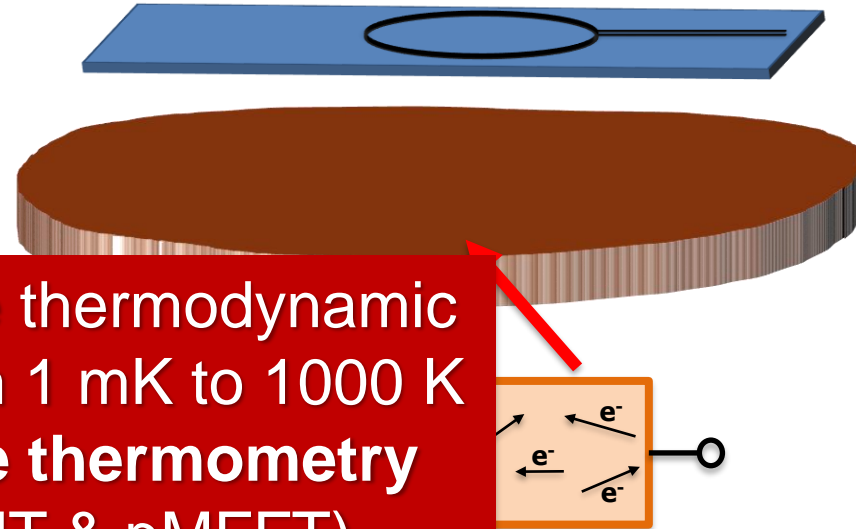


# Innovation: Johnson Noise Thermometry

## Primary Magnetic Field Fluctuation Thermometer (pMFFT)

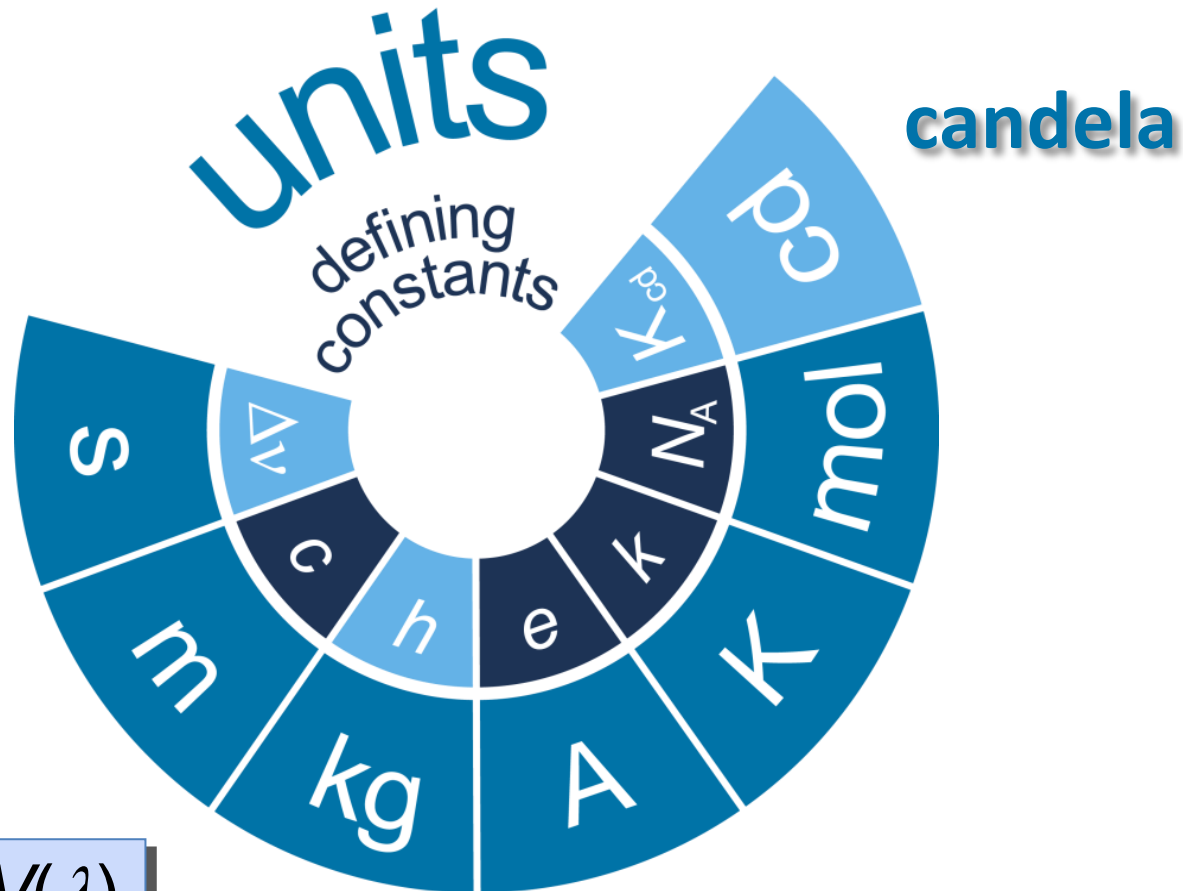
- SQUID based noise measurement
- Noise resistor made of high-purity copper
- Fully calculable thermometer
- Cross-correlation
- Relative combined
- Application range

**Vision:** measure thermodynamic temperature from 1 mK to 1000 K based on noise thermometry (new PTB-JNT & pMFFT)



$$S_{\Phi}(f, T) = \frac{4 k T \operatorname{Re}(Z(f))}{(\pi \cdot f)^2}$$

# Revised International System of Units



$$K(\lambda) = K_{cd} \cdot V(\lambda)$$



# Quantum-based definition of the candela

The candela, symbol cd, is the SI unit of luminous intensity in a given direction. It is defined by taking the fixed numerical value of the **luminous efficacy** of monochromatic radiation of frequency  $540 \times 10^{12}$  Hz,  $K_{\text{cd}}$ , to be 683 when expressed in the unit  $\text{lm W}^{-1}$ , which is equal to  $\text{cd sr W}^{-1}$ , or  $\text{cd sr kg}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^3$ , where the kilogram, metre and second are defined in terms of  $h$ ,  $c$  and  $\Delta\nu_{\text{Cs}}$ .



## The “quantum candela”

The candela, symbol cd, is the SI unit of luminous intensity in a given direction. It is defined by taking the fixed numerical value of the **„luminous photon rate“** of monochromatic radiation of frequency  $540 \times 10^{12}$  Hz,  $N_{\text{cd}}$ , to be  $4.0918... \times 10^{15}$  when expressed in the unit  $\text{lm s}^{-1}$ , which is equal to  $\text{cd sr s}^{-1}$ , where the second is defined in terms of  $\Delta\nu_{\text{Cs}}$ .

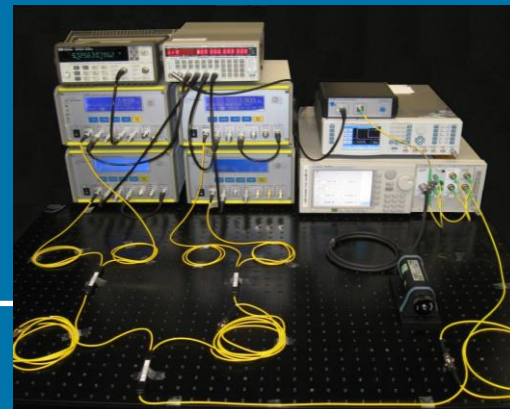
$$1 \text{ cd} = \left( \frac{N_{\text{cd}}}{4.0918... \times 10^{15}} \right) \text{ s sr}^{-1} = \frac{9192631770}{4.0918... \times 10^{15}} \frac{N_{\text{cd}}}{\Delta\nu_{\text{Cs}} \text{ sr}} = 2.246... \times 10^{-6} \frac{N_{\text{cd}}}{\Delta\nu_{\text{Cs}} \text{ sr}}$$

# Innovation: Single Photon Detectors

## SPAD

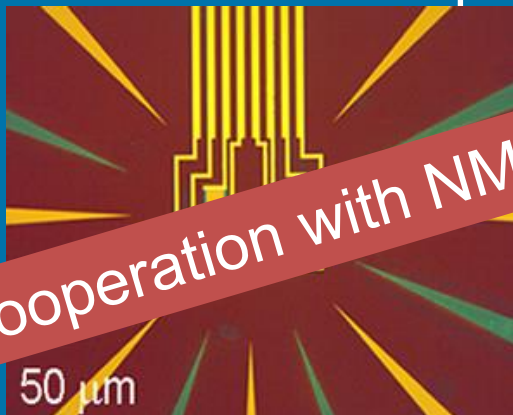


## Detector Tree

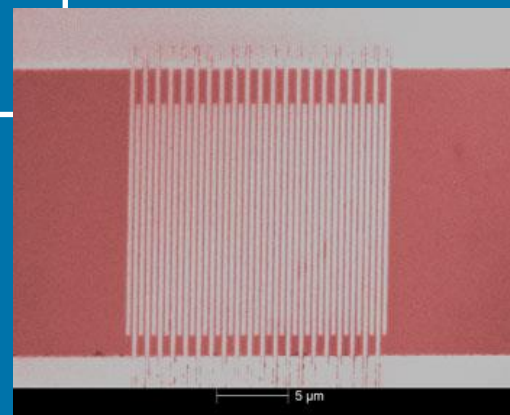


Single-photon detectors

Cooperation with NMIJ



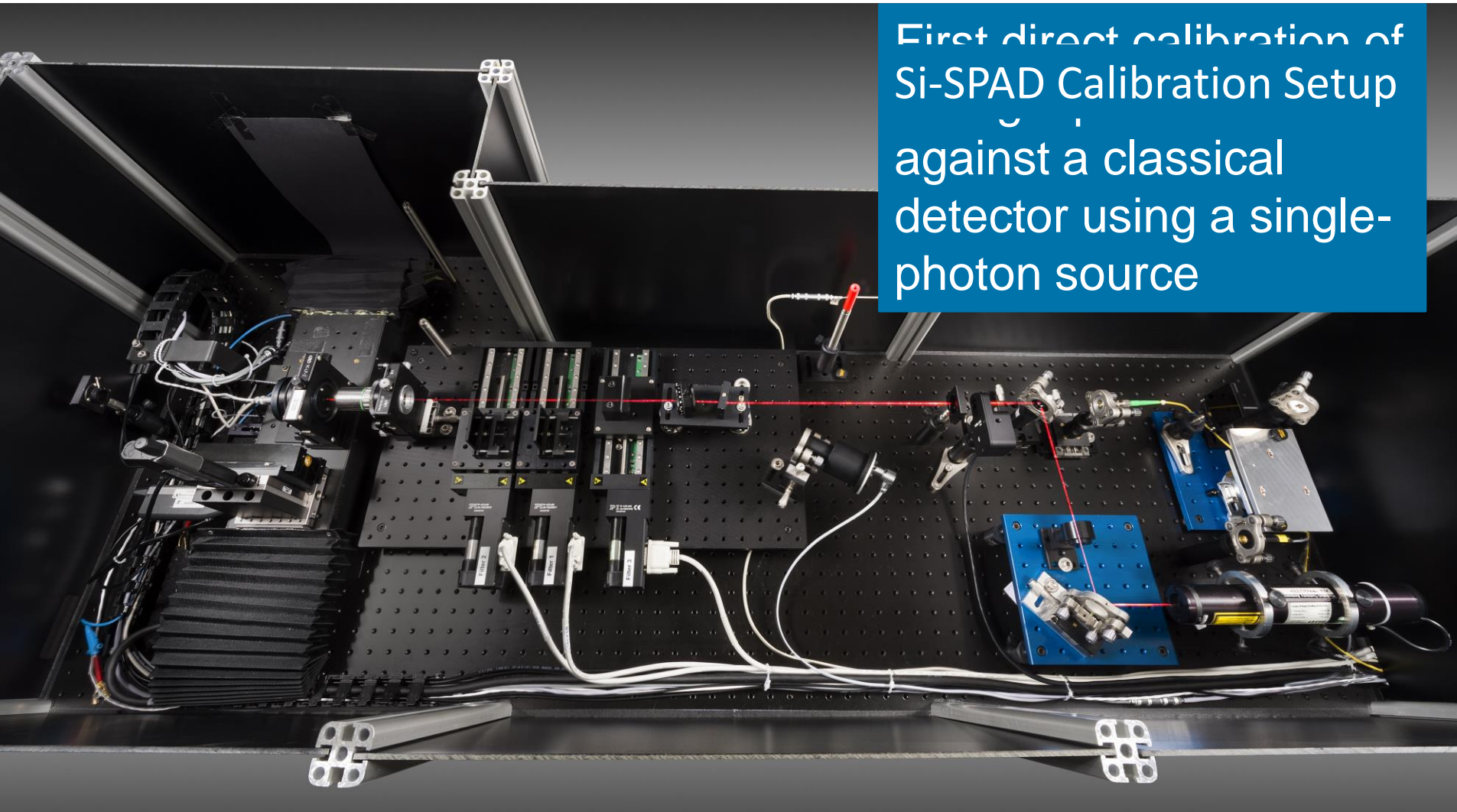
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## SNSPD

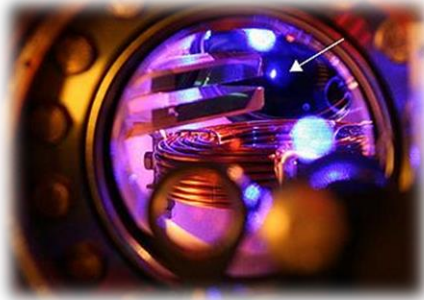
# Innovation: Si-SPAD calibration

First direct calibration of Si-SPAD Calibration Setup against a classical detector using a single-photon source



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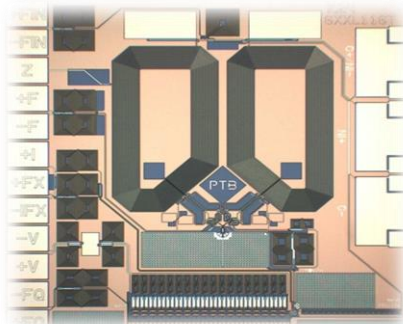
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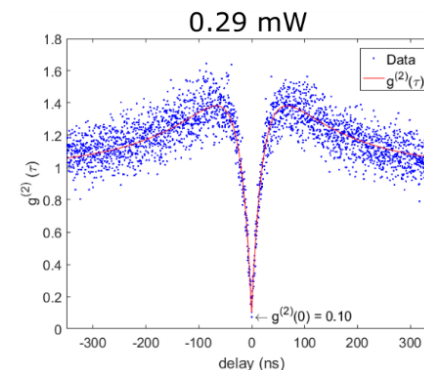
Electric quantum metrology



Quantum sensors for small magnetic fields

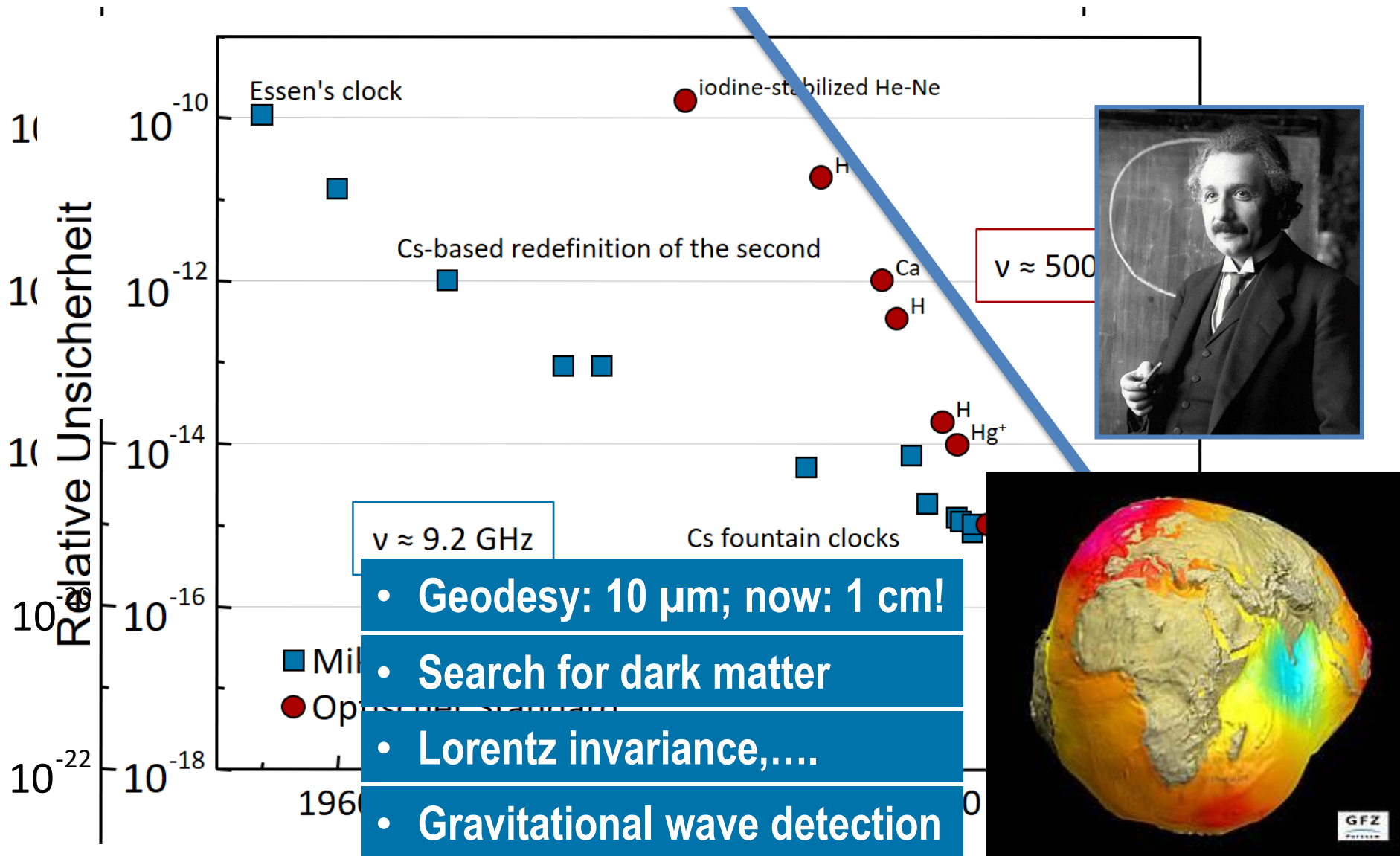


Quantum communication, quantum cryptography



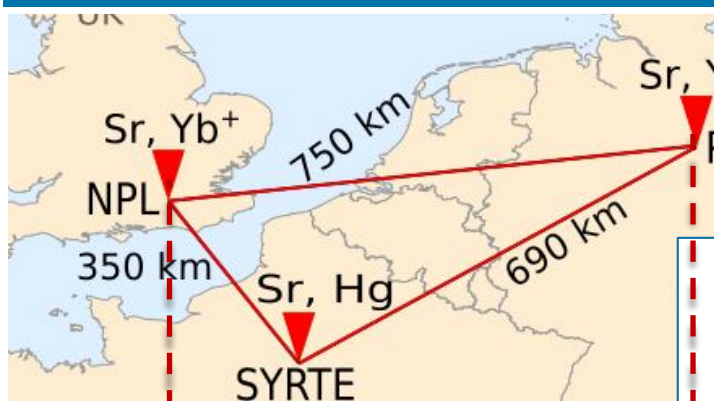


# About the future of time



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## • Search for dark matter



### Search for transient variations of the fine structure constant and dark matter using fiber-linked optical atomic clocks

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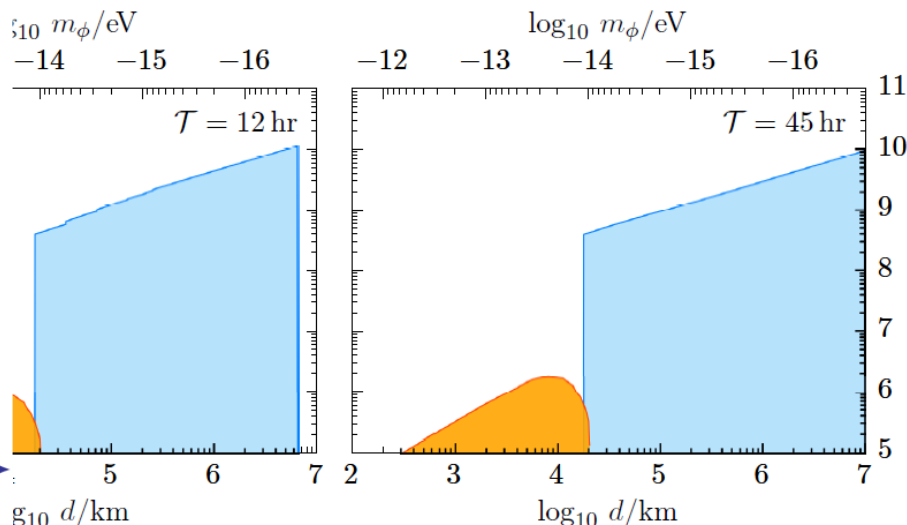
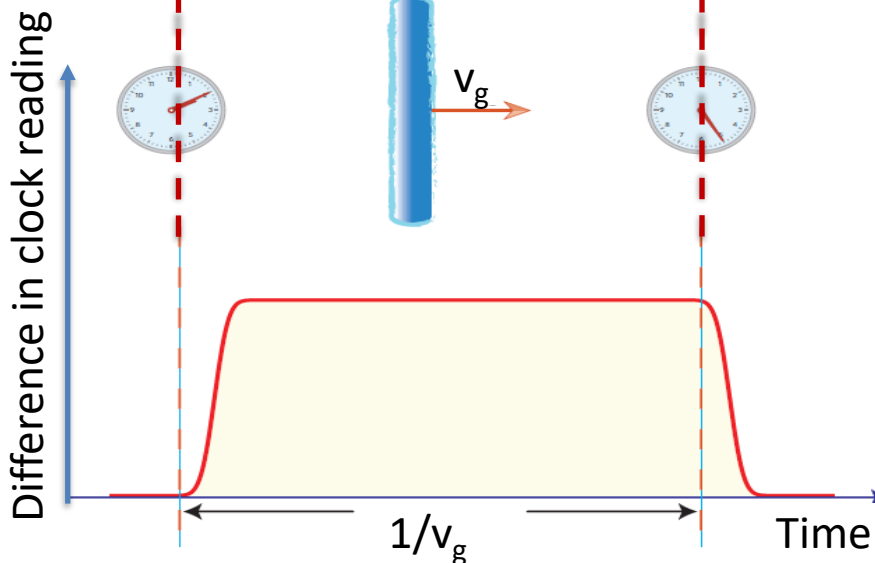
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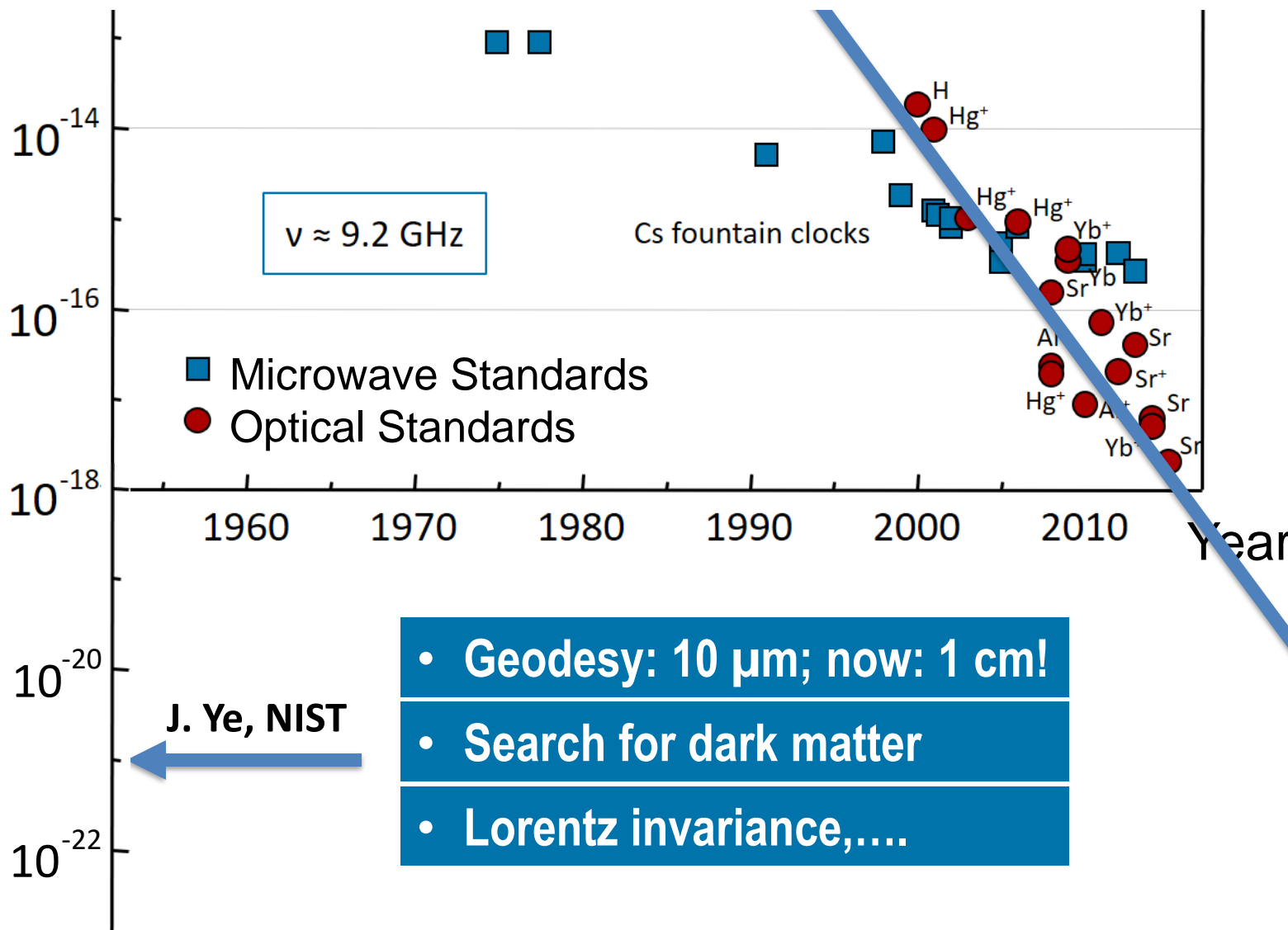
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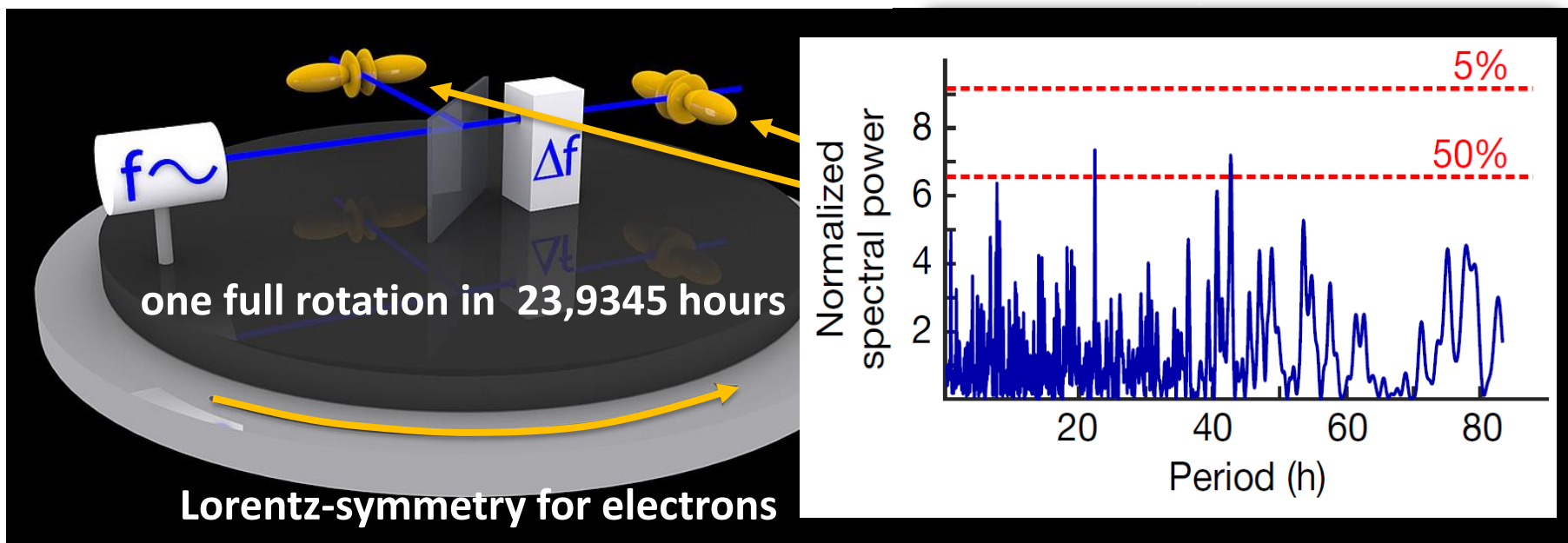


- Geodesy: 10  $\mu\text{m}$ ; now: 1 cm!
- Search for dark matter
- Lorentz invariance,....

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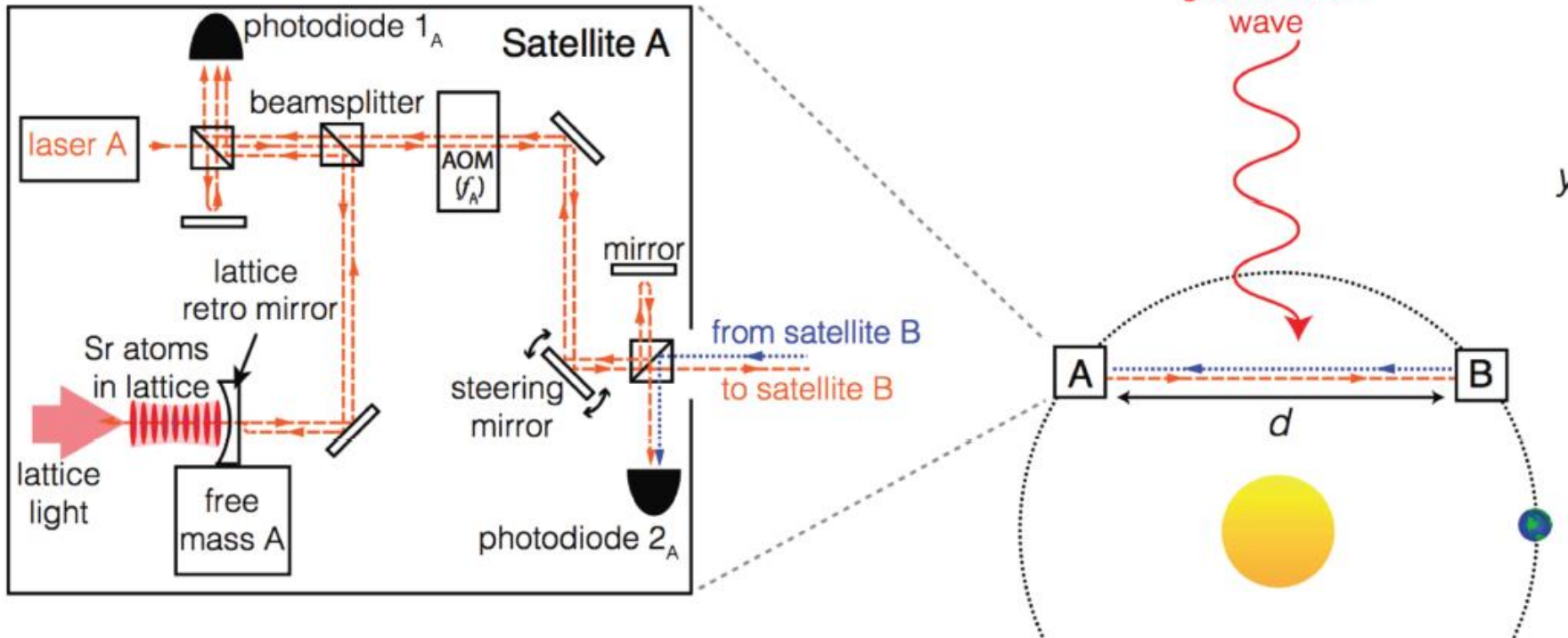


- Frequency comparison over more than 1000 h.
- No relative change for periods of few min - 80 h.

→ relative frequency deviation:  $< 3 \times 10^{-18}$

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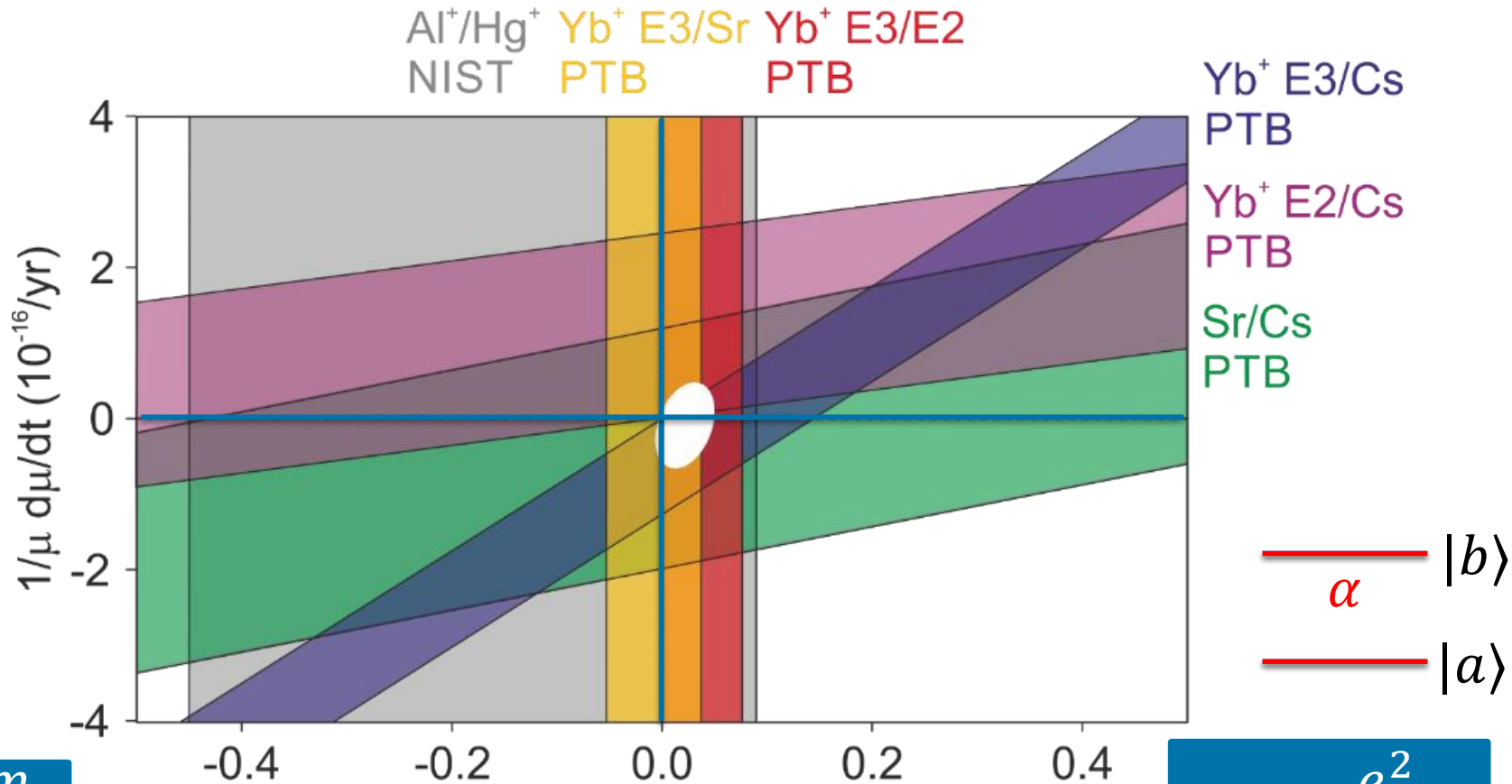


- Gravitational wave detection
- Are the constants constant?

# Are the constants constant?

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{\mu} \frac{d\mu}{dt} = -1.2(5.8) \times 10^{-17}/\text{yr}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{d\alpha}{dt} = 2.3(2.8) \times 10^{-18}/\text{yr}$$



$$\mu = \frac{m_e}{m_p}$$

Can we do even better?

$$\alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar c}$$

# SI International System of Units



**Quality in  
Cyberspace**

Metrology and  
Verification

**~ 160 mio. instruments  
in legal metrology**

 **PTB**

Manufacturer

User

Society

**strong  
measurement industry**

**smart cities  
smart services**

## Goal:

- **Protect**  
Consumer and user
- **Verify**  
Correct measurement
- **Create** Mutual trust



### Europa:

- 2014/31/EU,
- 2014/32/EU
- Verordnung 765/2008
- Beschluss 768/2008/EG

### National:

- Mess- und Eichgesetz
- Mess- und Eichverordnung

Quelle:

BMWi, Schlaglichter der Wirtschaftspolitik 11/2013

## Impact:

- ~ 150 different types of instruments
- **PTB: 600 certificates per year**
- **160 Mio. measurement instruments in Germany:**  
Electricity, Smart-Meter-Gateway, gas, heat flow, water, weighing instruments, mineral oil, transport goods, car exhaust, radioactivity,...
- **160 billion 40-50 % of World market** less national income
- **~ 30 % of World market**
- **53 % of the federal taxes** through verified measurement instruments (40 Mrd. €).

# The revised SI for innovation, science and the second quantum revolution



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