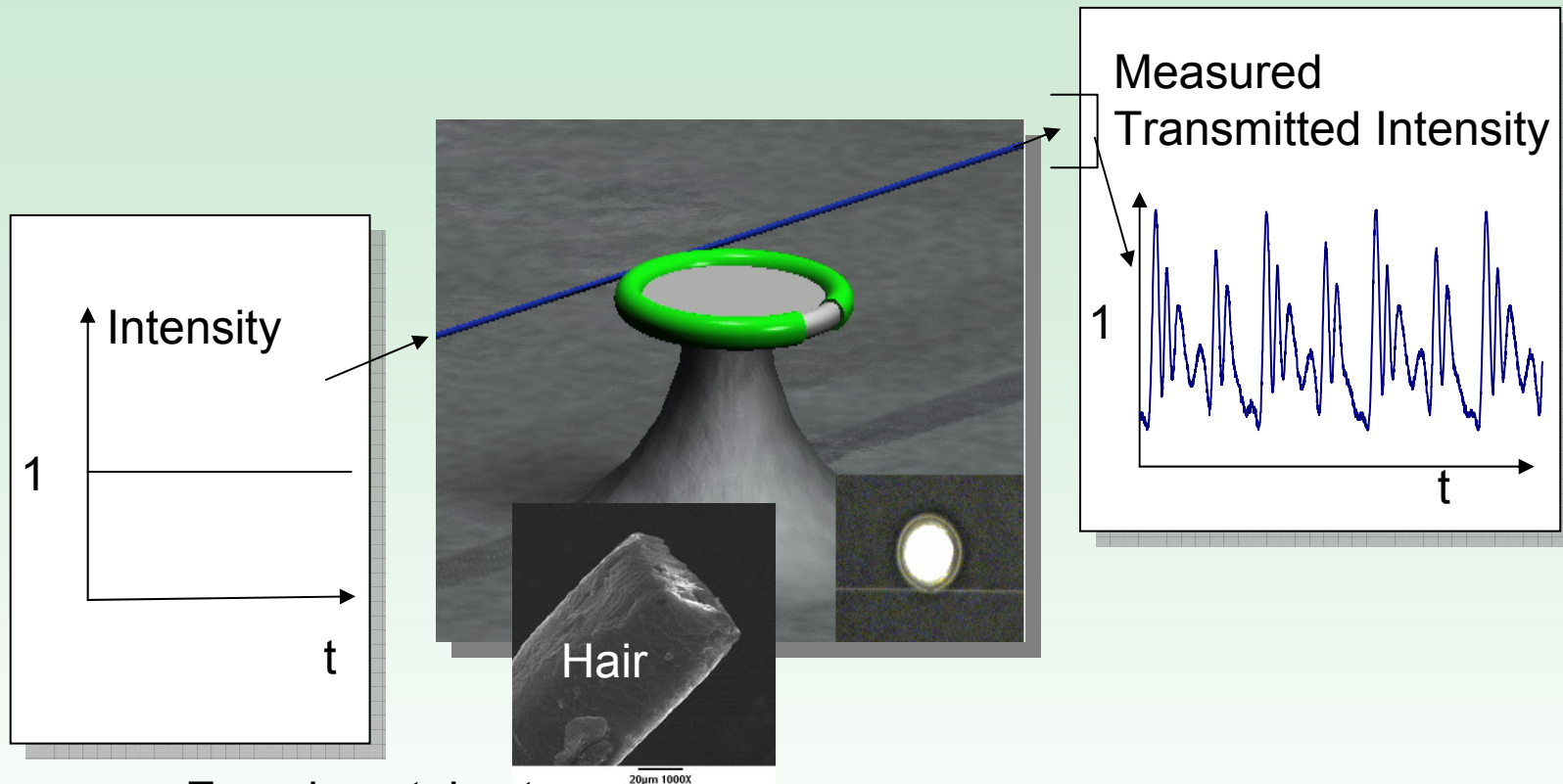


# Radiation pressure in optical cavities



- Experimental setup
- Observes oscillations
- Physical intuition
- Model
- Relation to: Other nonlinearities, quantum mechanics

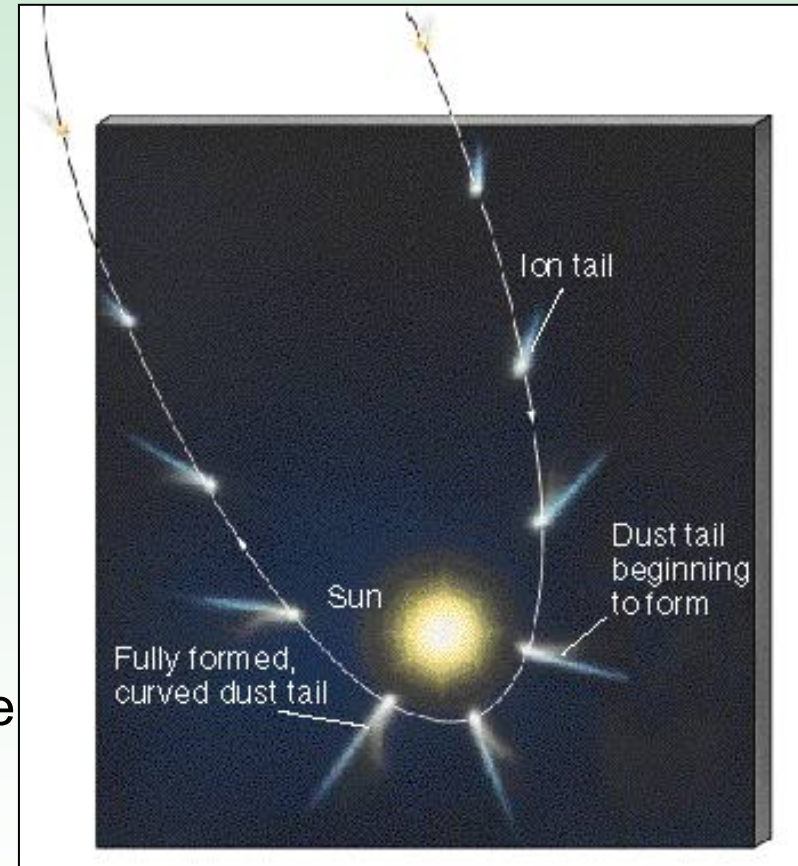
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# Who is interested in radiation pressure?

- First proposed by Kepler and later elaborated on by Newton.
- Bartoli infers the necessity of light pressure from thermodynamics.
- Maxwell

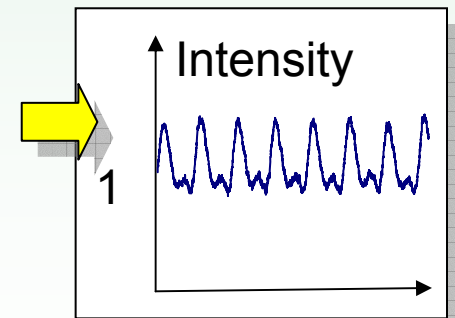
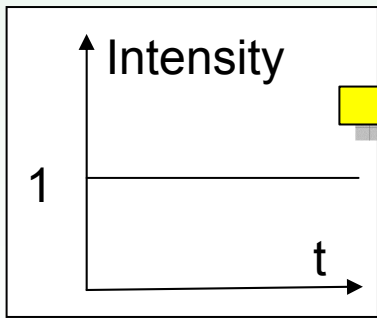
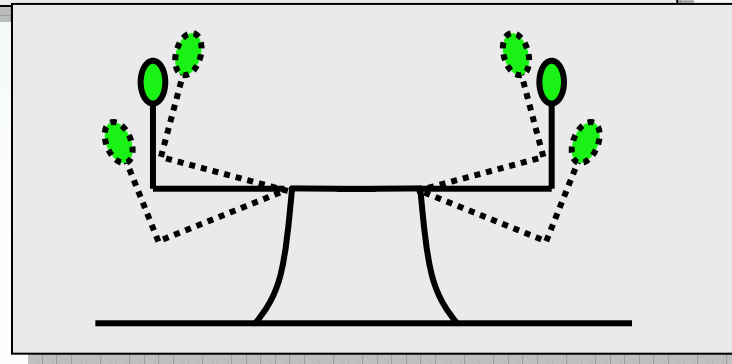
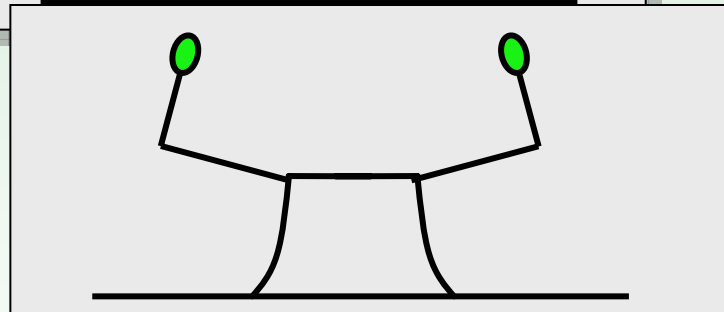
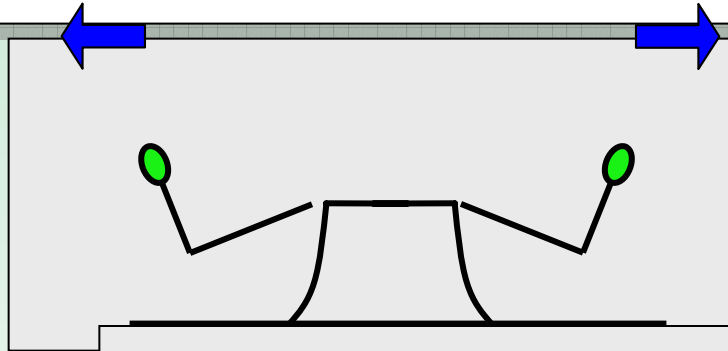
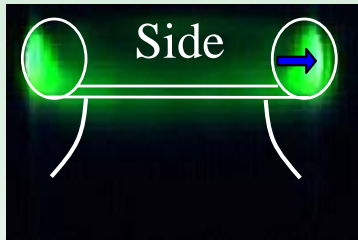
400 years ago, Kepler observed that comet's tail is opposing the sun, suggesting radiation pressure to be the reason.



- Optical losses
- Size
- Intensity

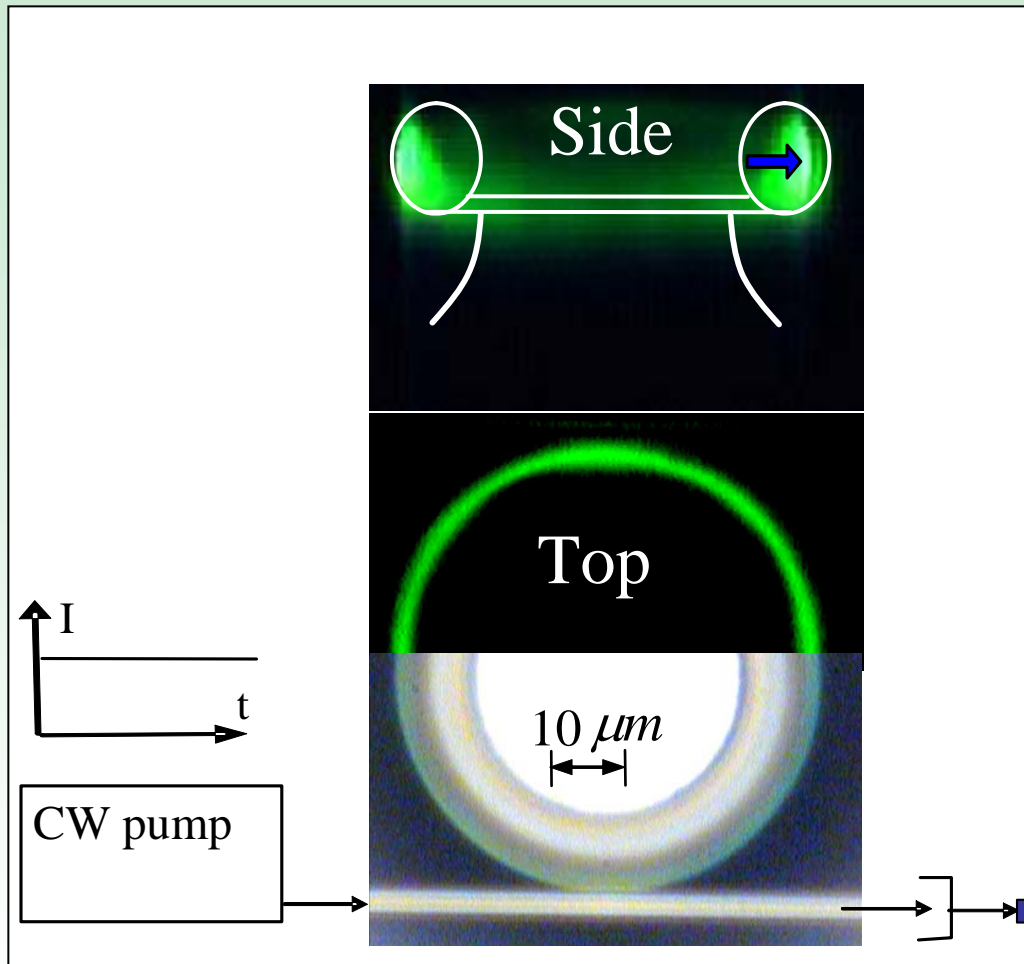


Observation of new nonlinearity in a cavity.

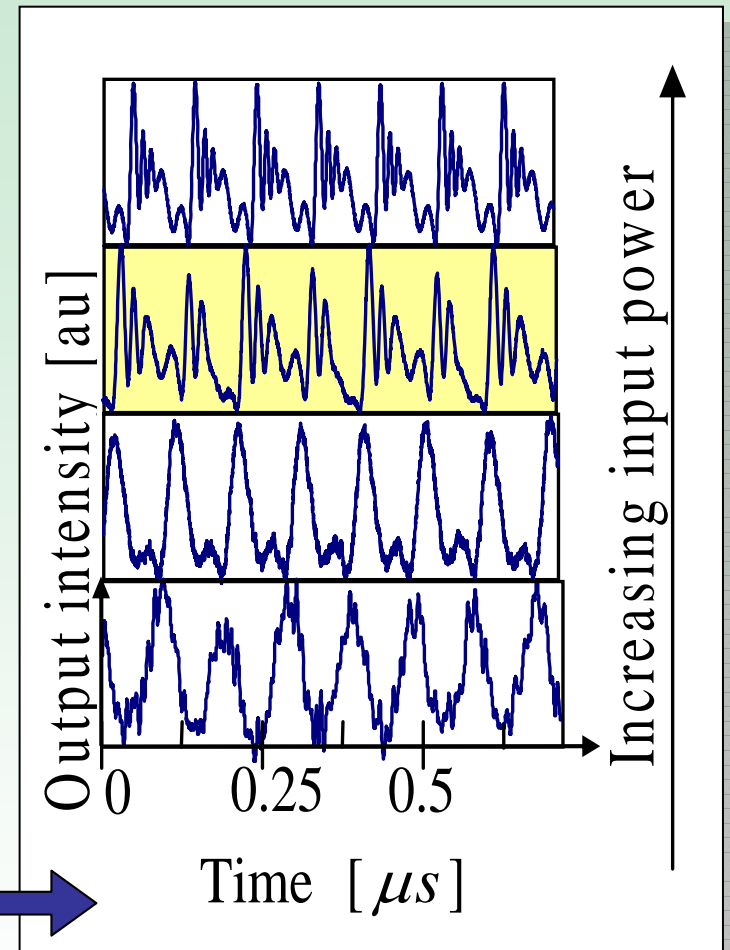


What is the experimental system?

# Experimental system

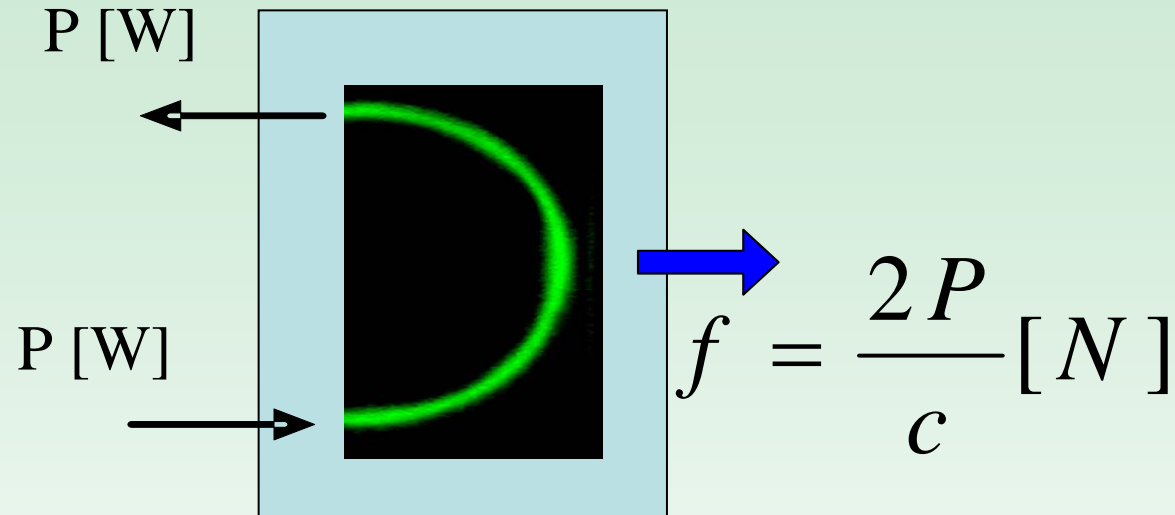


# What do we see?



Why do we have radiation pressure?

# Why force?

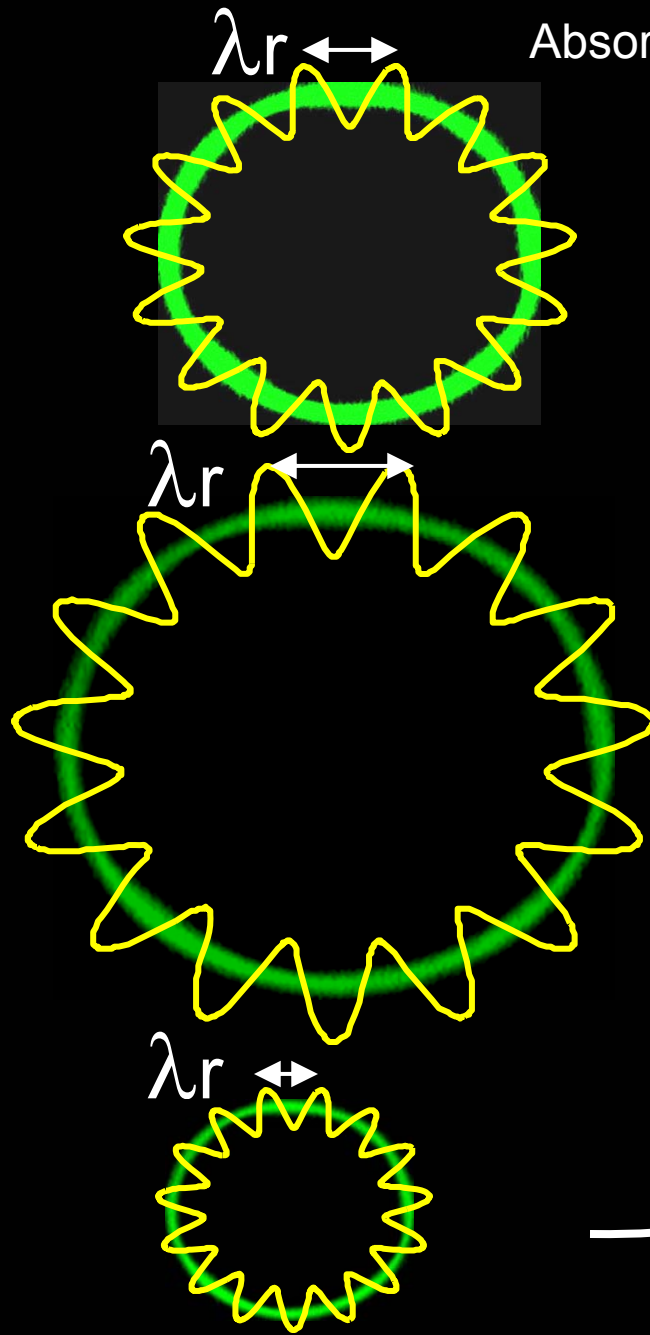
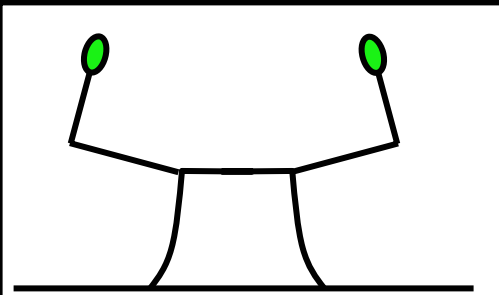
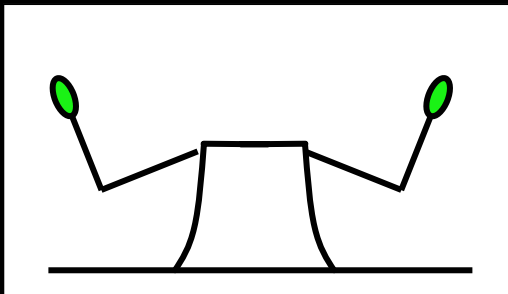
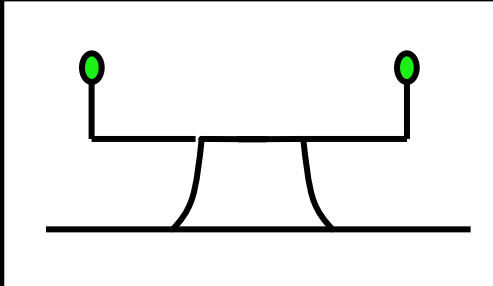


Fundamental principle of linear momentum conservation.

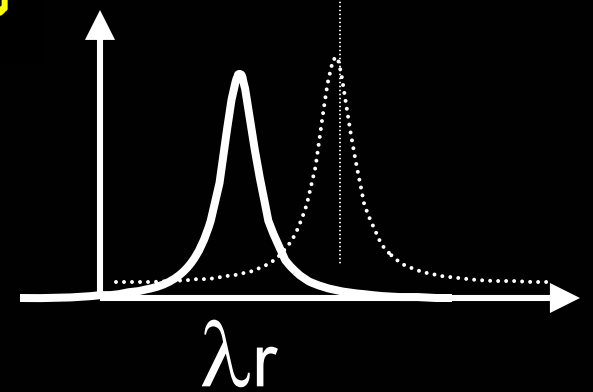
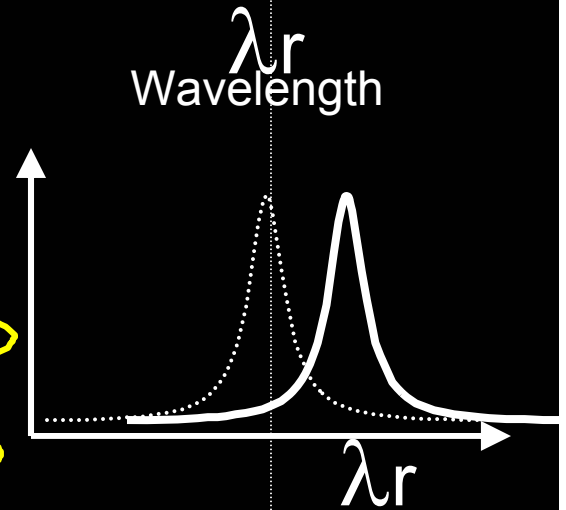
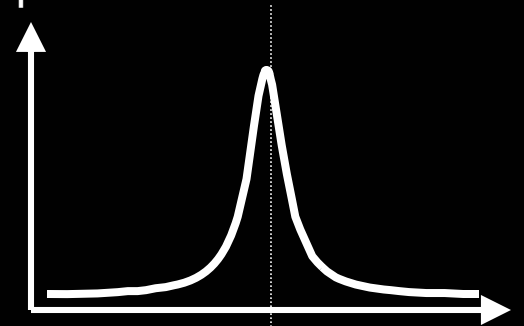
How to translate force to optical effect?



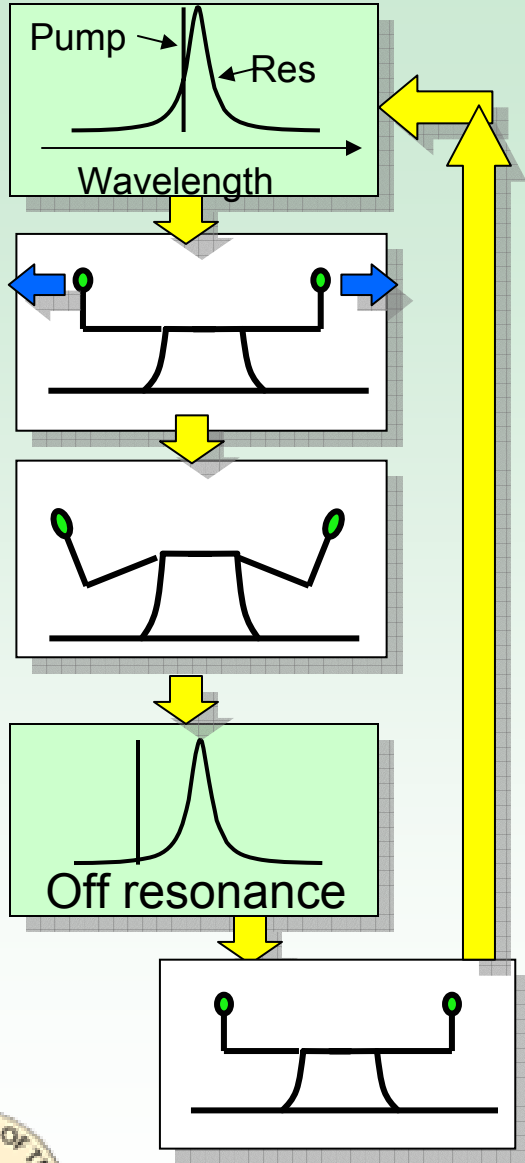
Circumference =  $n \lambda$



Absorption



Pump wavelength < Resonance (It is important )



Energy transfer	
Inflation	Deflation
Optical->mechanical	Mechanical -> optical
Red Doppler shift	Blue Doppler shift

Regenerative oscillation

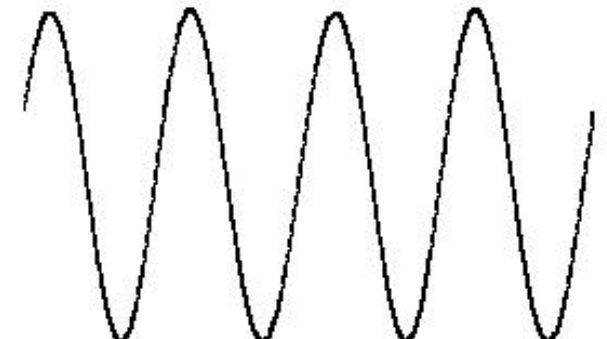
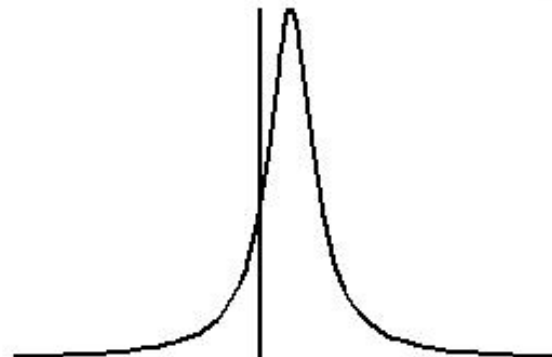
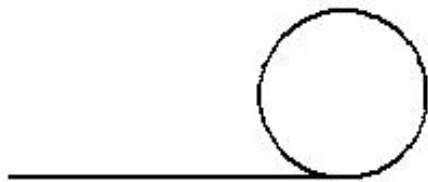


# Low input power, small amplitude

Structure's vibrations

Resonance abs Vs Wavelength

Transmission Vs. Time



wavelength

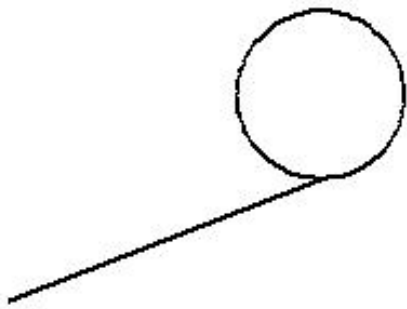
Time



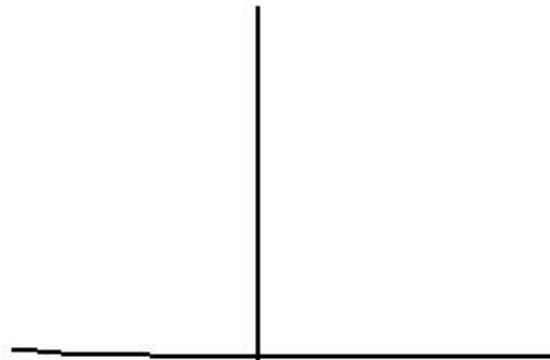


# High input power, large amplitude

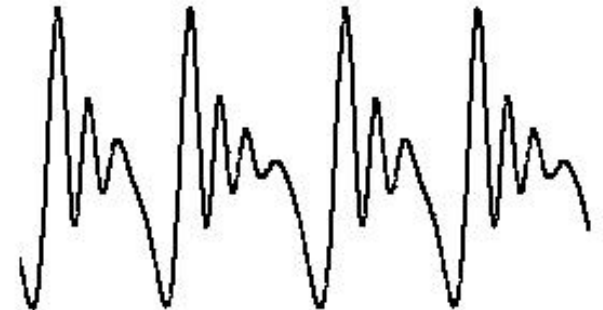
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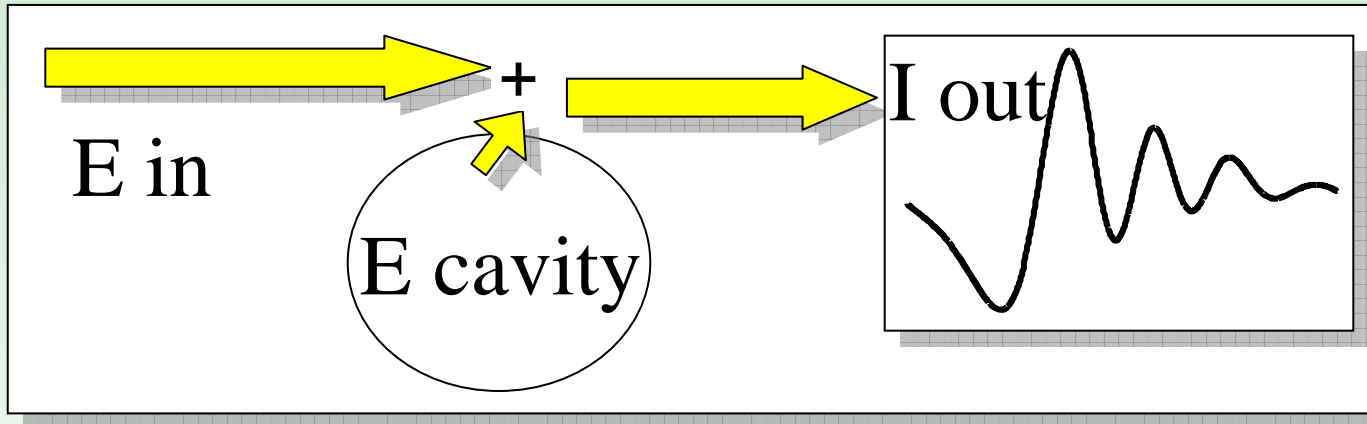
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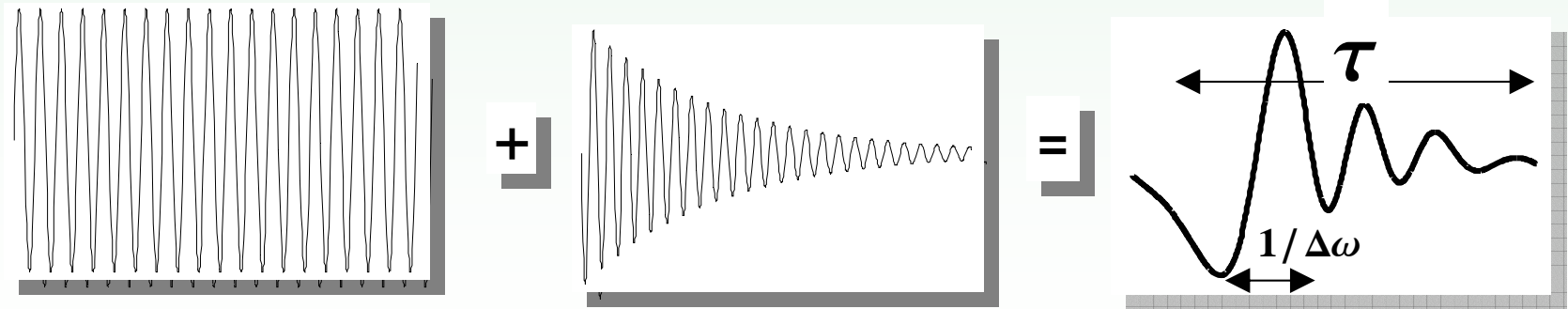
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# Why decaying peaks?

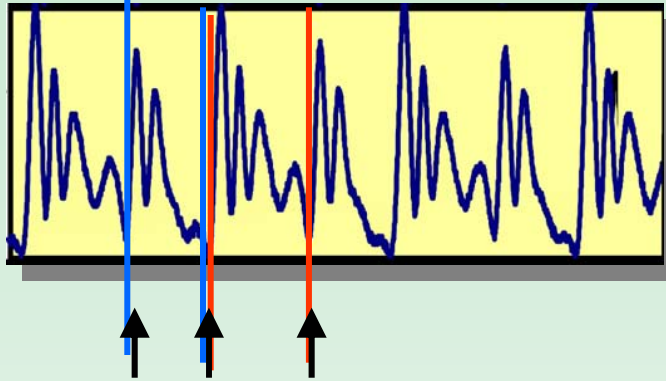


$$\langle (\sin(\omega t) + e^{-t/2\tau} \sin[(\omega + \Delta\omega) t])^2 \rangle =$$

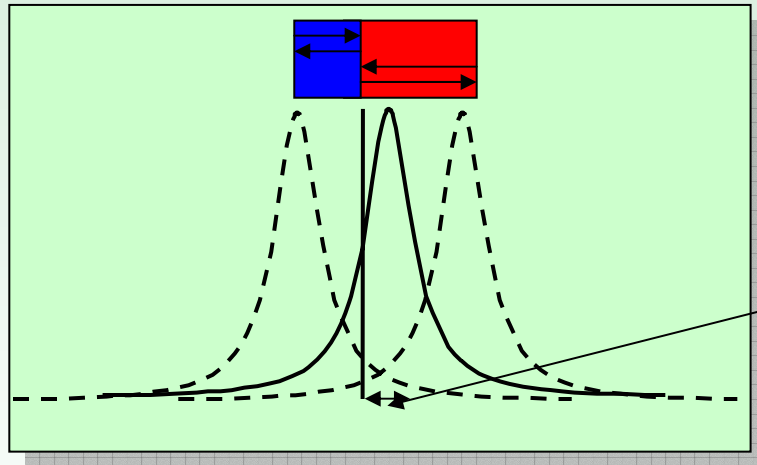


Why alternating number of peaks (4, 3, 4, 3...)?

# Why alternating number of peaks (4, 3, 4, 3...)?



- Cavity is charged with light upon passing of the absorption bell through pump wavelength
- And discharged later
- Resonance bell spends more time on one side of pump wavelength because of the initial offset (4-3=1 peak longer).



- Offset necessary for the red shift to be stronger than blue shift and energy to flow from optical mode to mechanical mode.

(negative offset = device cooling)

cooling

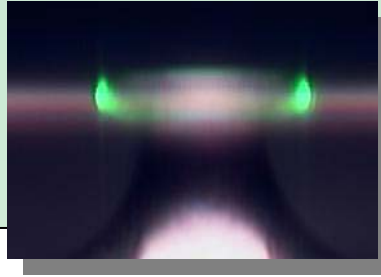
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Stop waving with your hands,  
we want equations

# Model

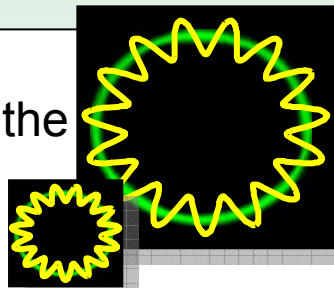
no free parameters!



\*Optical field inside cavity,  $A(t)$   
As function of pump amplitude ( $B$ ) and  
pump resonance detuning ( $\Delta\omega$ )

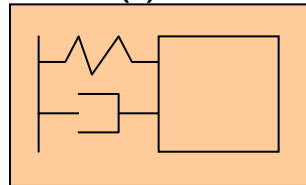
$$\dot{A}(t) + A(t)[\alpha c/n - i \Delta\omega(t)] = i B \sqrt{\alpha c/n \tau_0}$$

Pump-resonance  
detuning as function of the  
mechanical flex



$$\Delta\omega(t) = \Delta\omega_0 - \omega \mu r(t) 2\pi n / (\lambda_0 N)$$

Cavity deviation from equilibrium,  $r(t)$   
Forced harmonic oscillator.



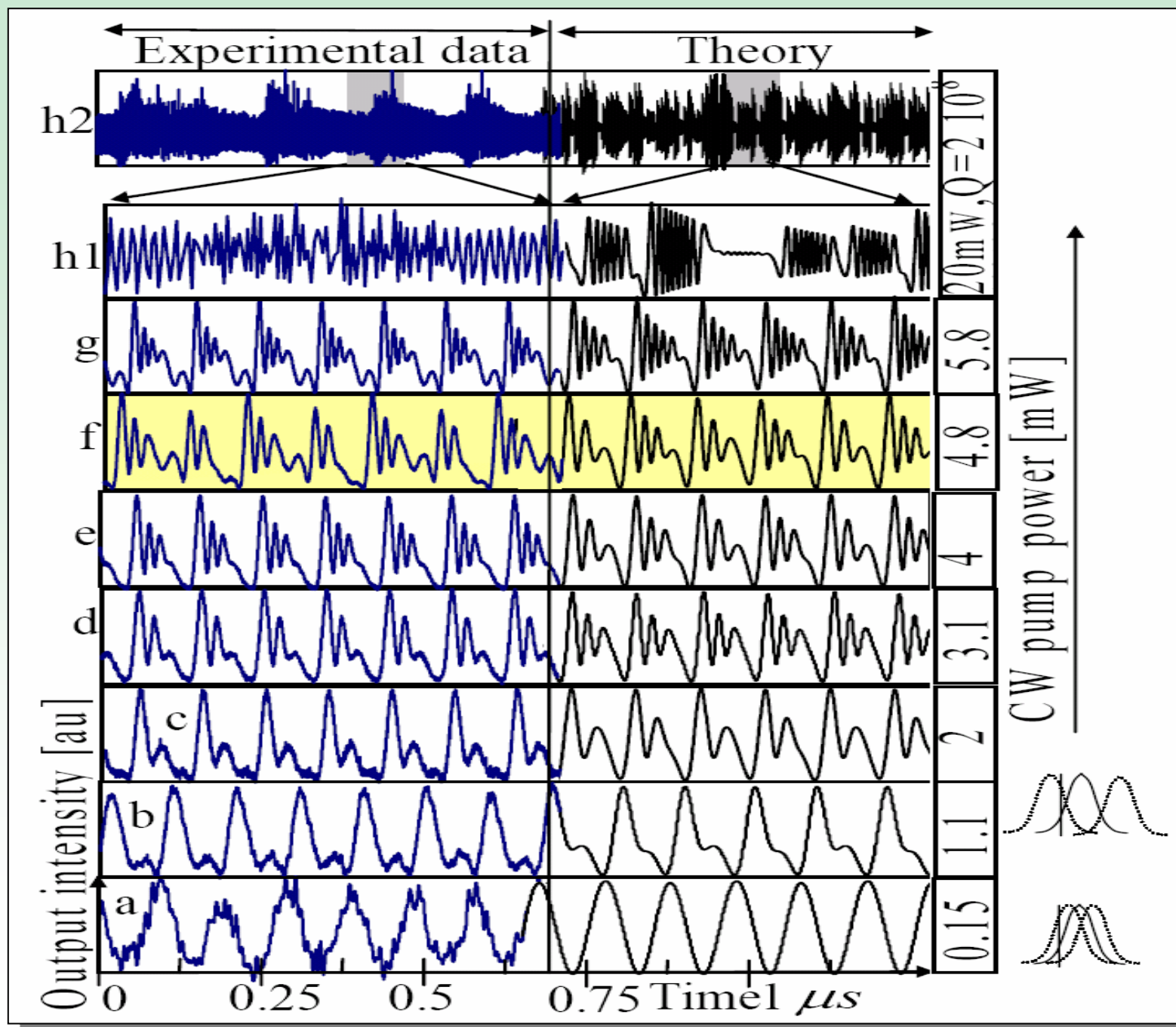
$$m \ddot{r}(t) + b \dot{r}(t) + k r(t) = \mu f(t)$$

$$= \mu 2\pi |A(t)|^2 n / c$$

Compare theory to experimental results

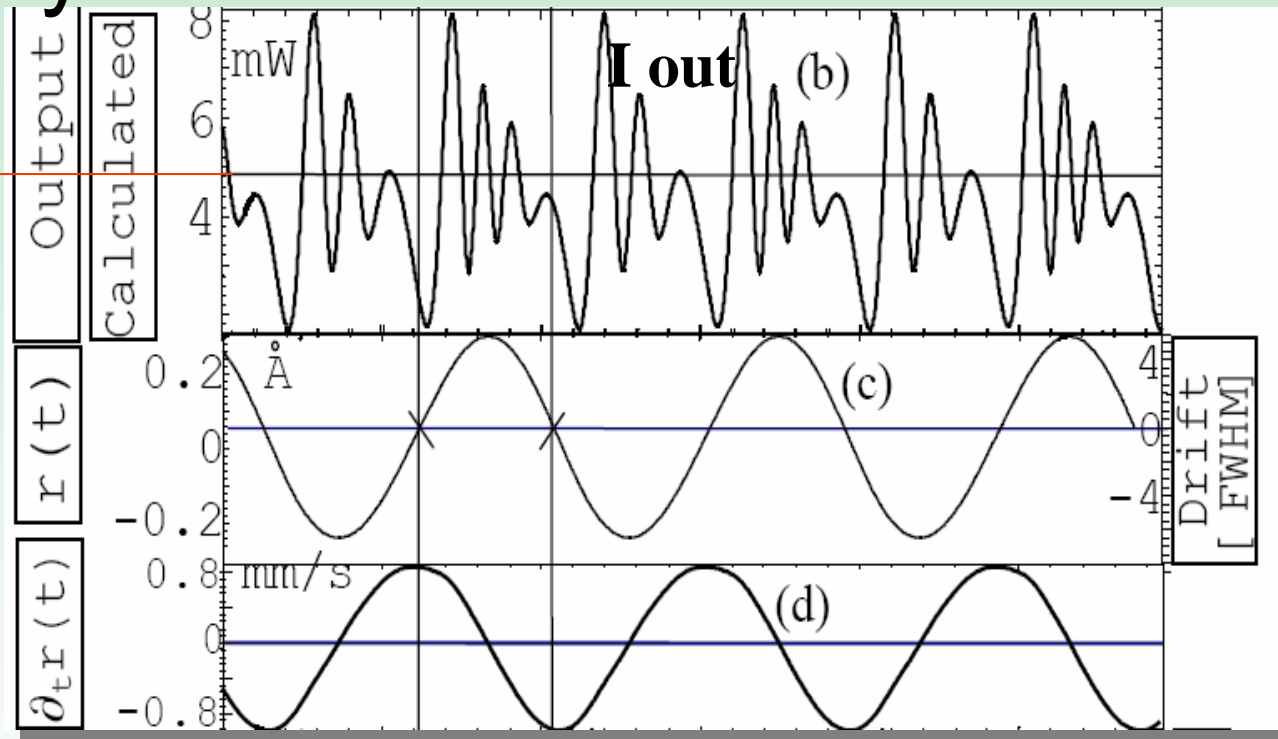
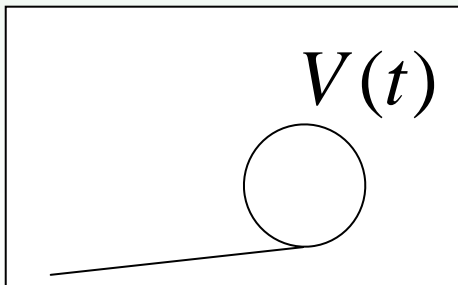
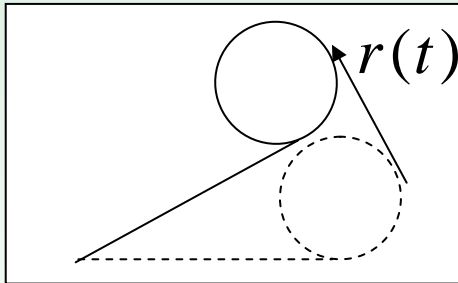
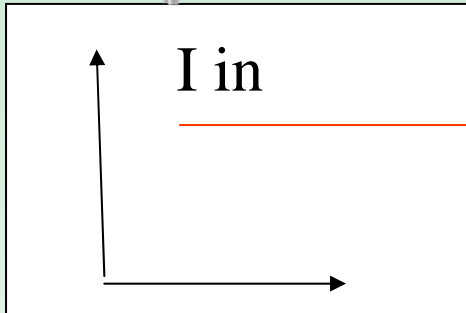


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# Mechanical dynamics, position, velocity

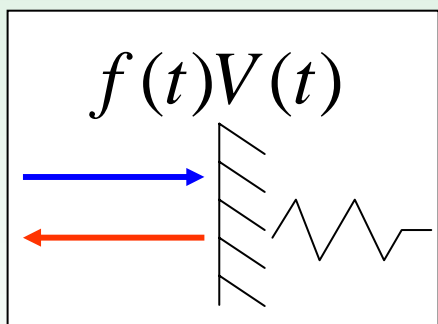


What is the energy inside?, energy balance.

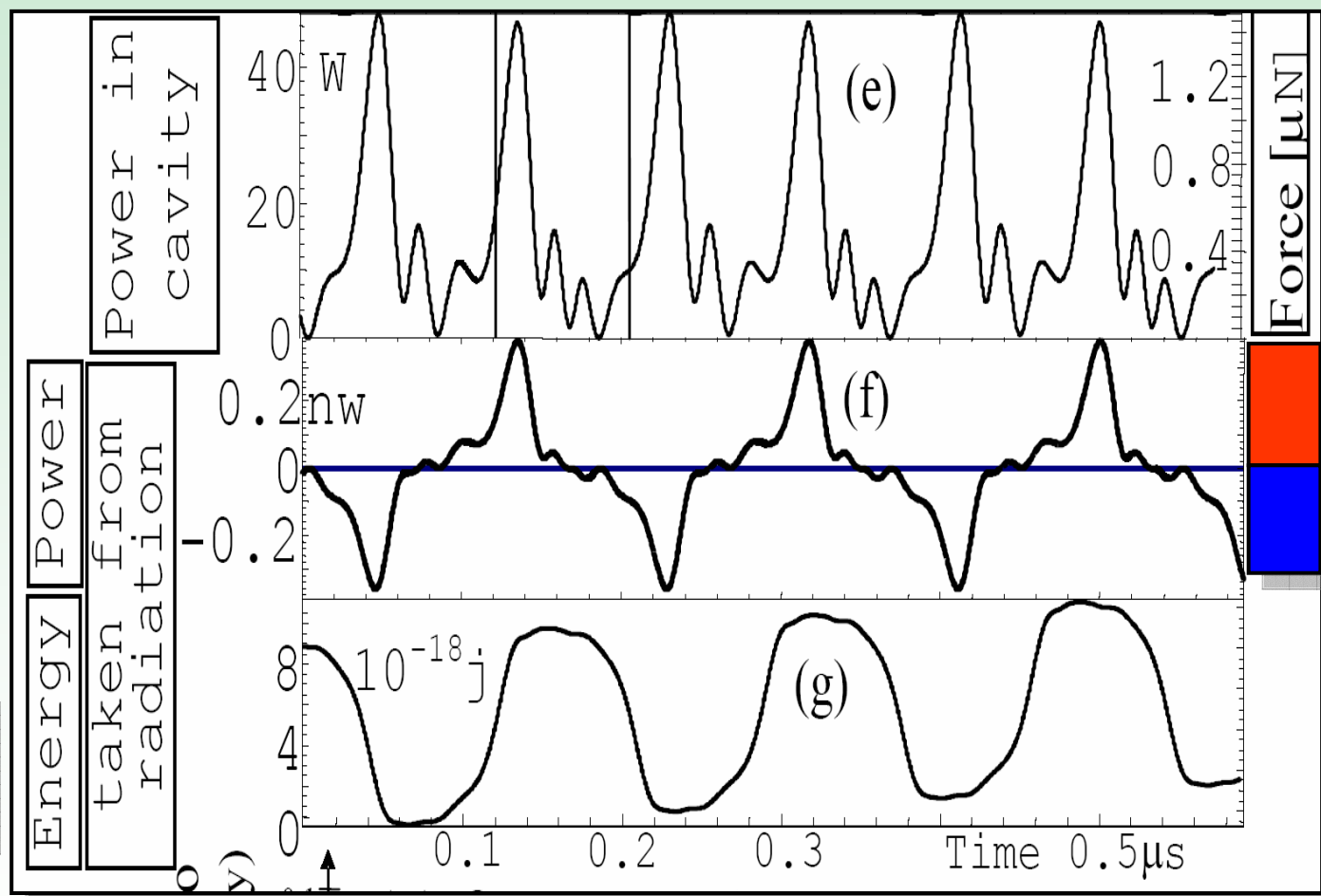




# Energy dynamics

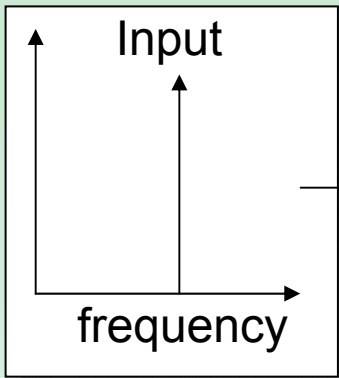


$$\int_0^t f(t')V(t')dt'$$

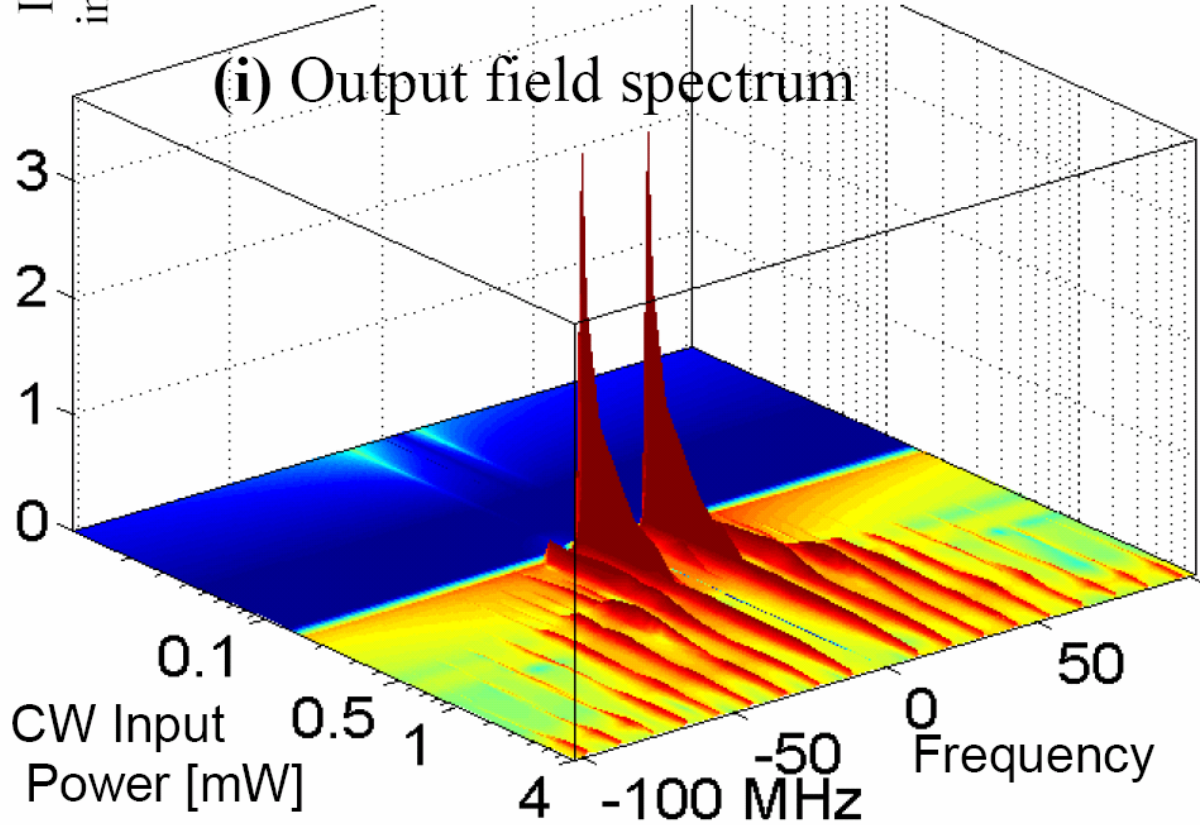
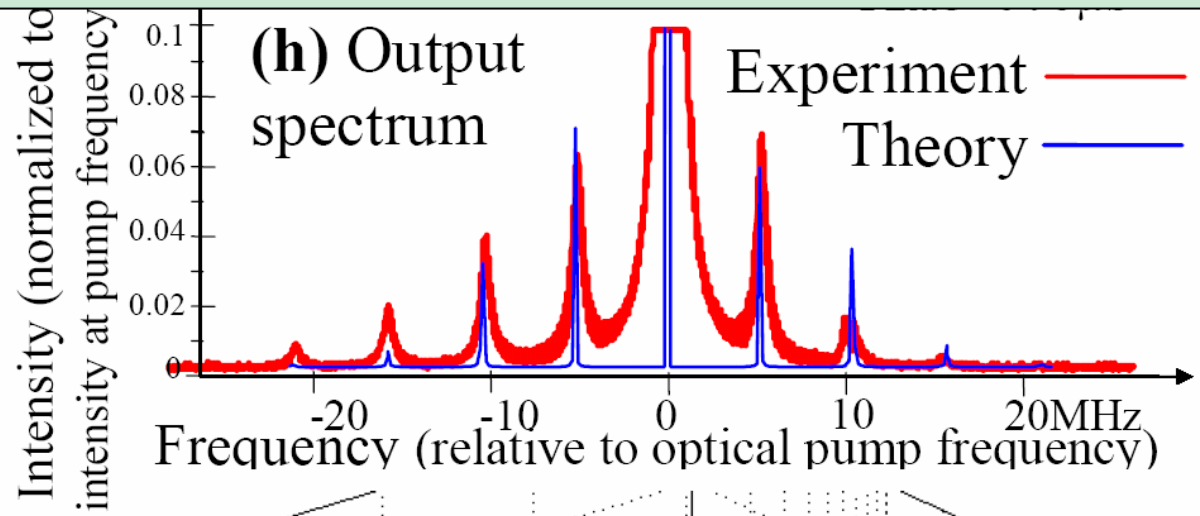


Output spectrum?





# Output spectrum

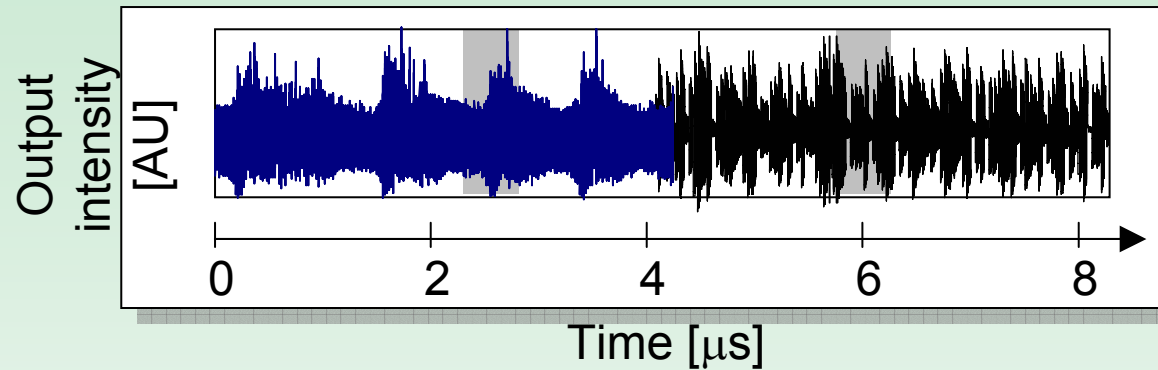




# Resemble chaos

Experiment

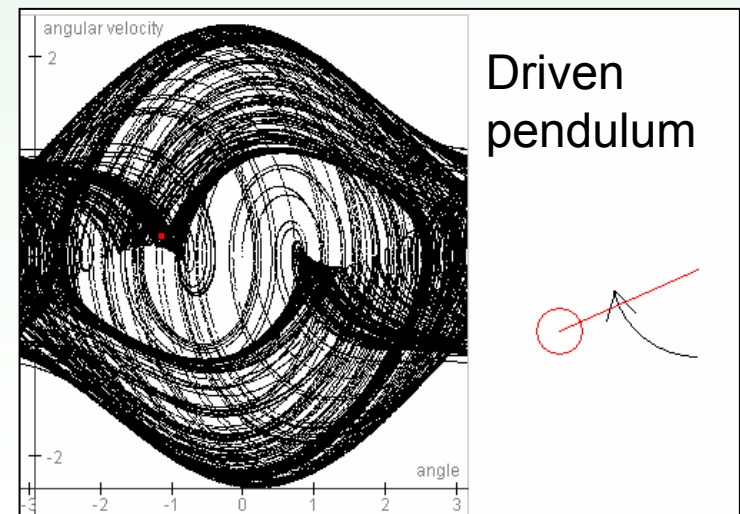
Theory



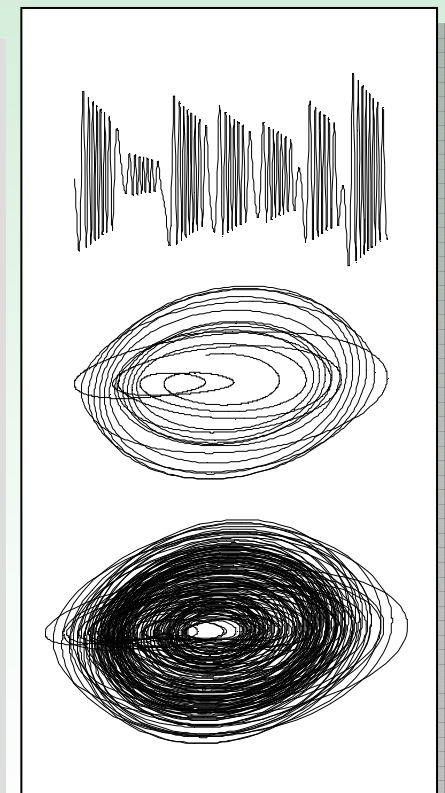
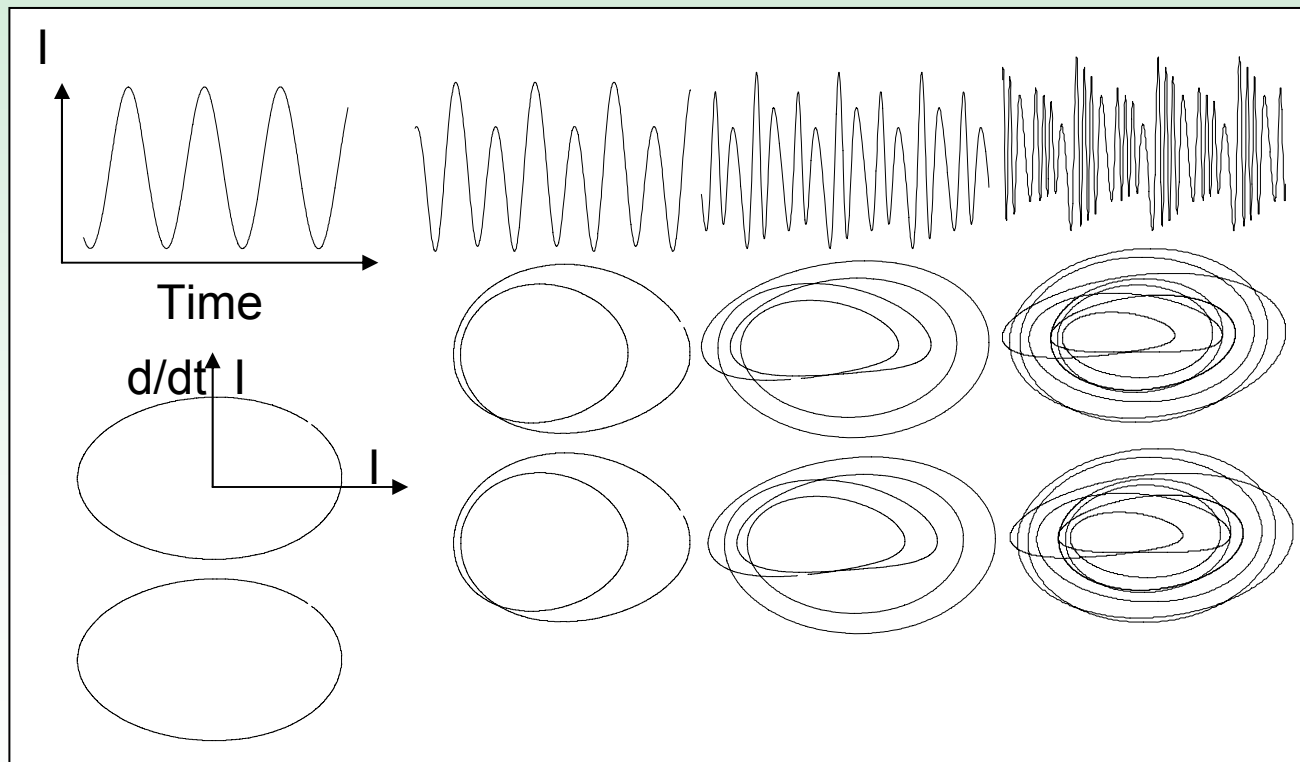
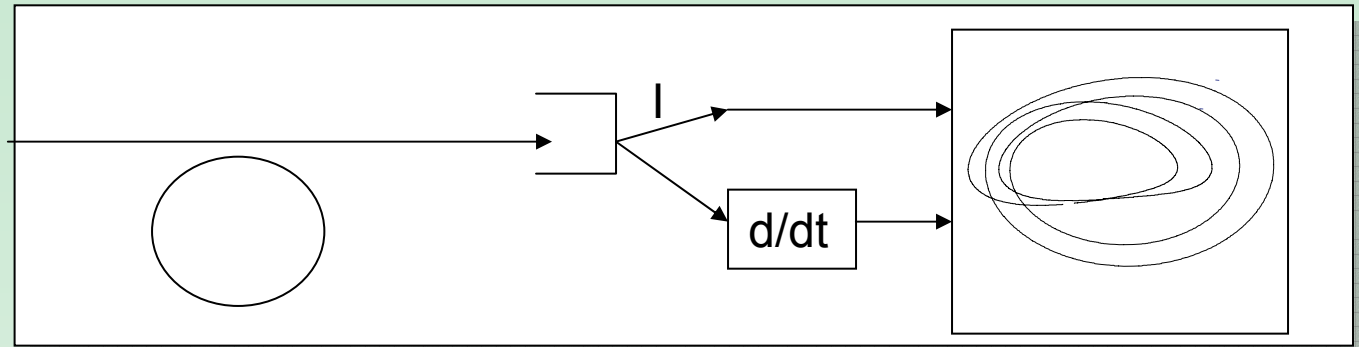
Deterministic Chaos: a system is chaotic if its trajectory through state space is sensitively dependent on the initial conditions, that is, if unobservably small causes can produce large effects.



Under investigation



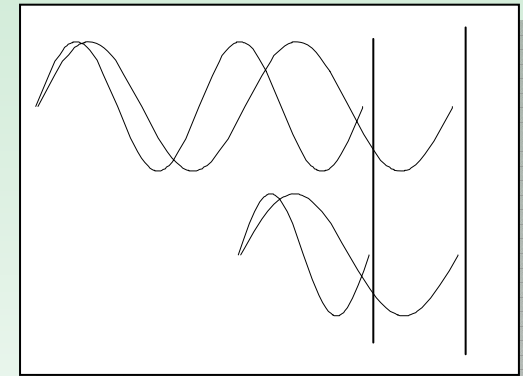
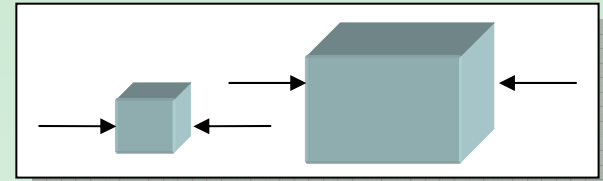
# Phase space



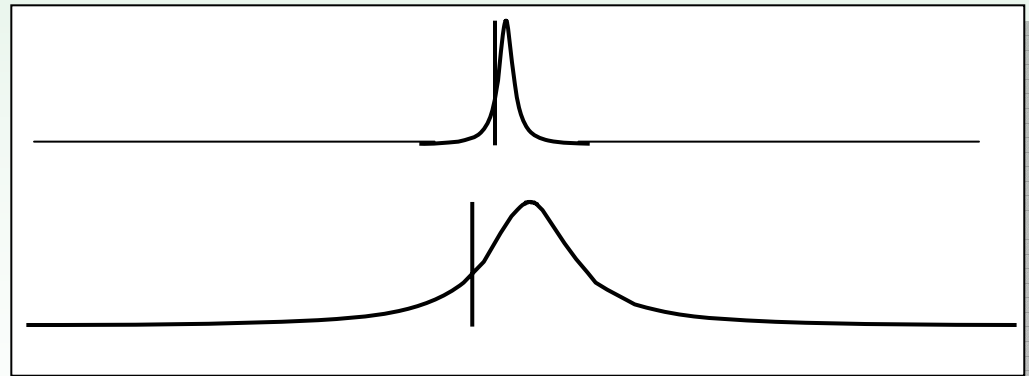
Why don't we see radiation pressure effects in large resonators?

# Down scaling = sensitive to radiation pressure

1. Smaller objects flex more for the same force.  
(Spring constant,  $k = E \text{ Area} / \text{Length} \propto \text{Length}$ ,)
2. Smaller cavity resonance will detune more for the same flex. (change in size is absorbed by a smaller number of waves )
3. Low optical loss  $\rightarrow$  Narrow bandwidth  
Same drift will create larger optical effect

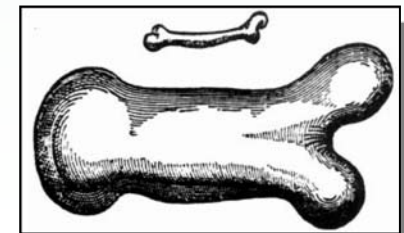


**Radiation pressure are expected in small resonators with low losses**

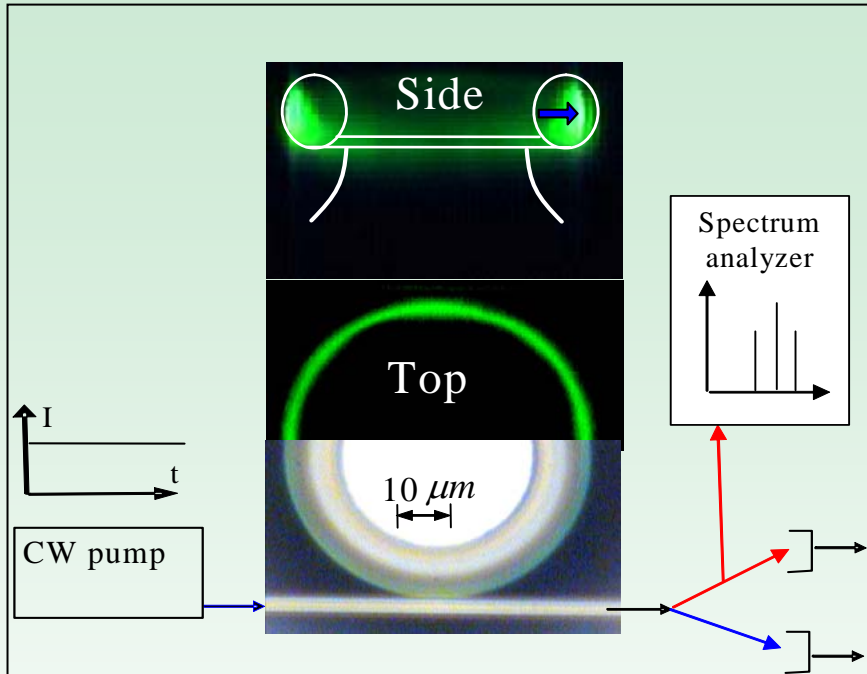


Smaller objects in nature are not just scaled replicas of similar big objects. (Galileo, Dialogue Concerning Two New Sciences, 1638)

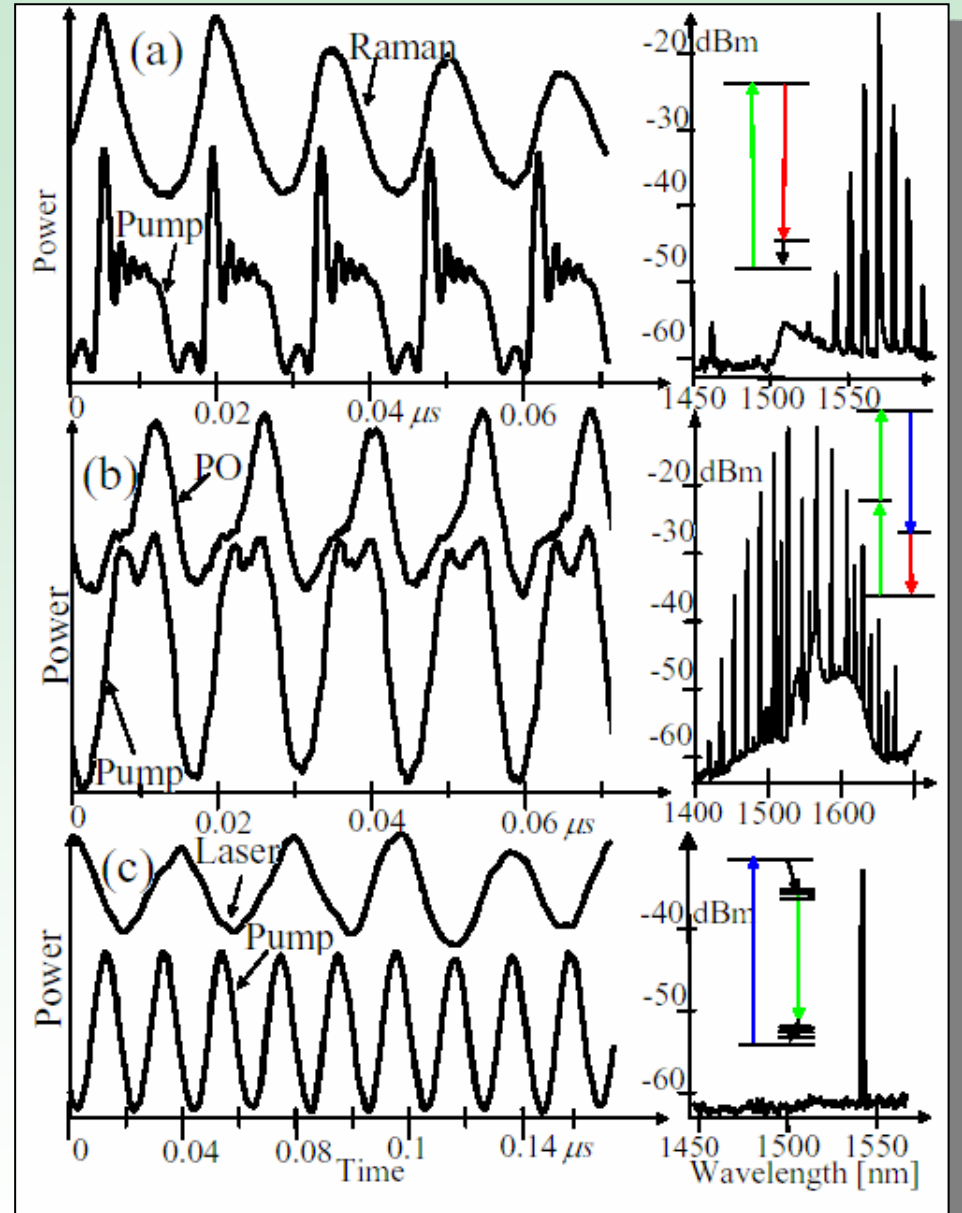
Experimental demonstration, when cavity is small enough radiation pressure effects are the first to appear



# RP induced vibration with other effects



scattering from structure vibrations was observed to coexist together with the traditional Raman lasing originates from molecular vibrations.

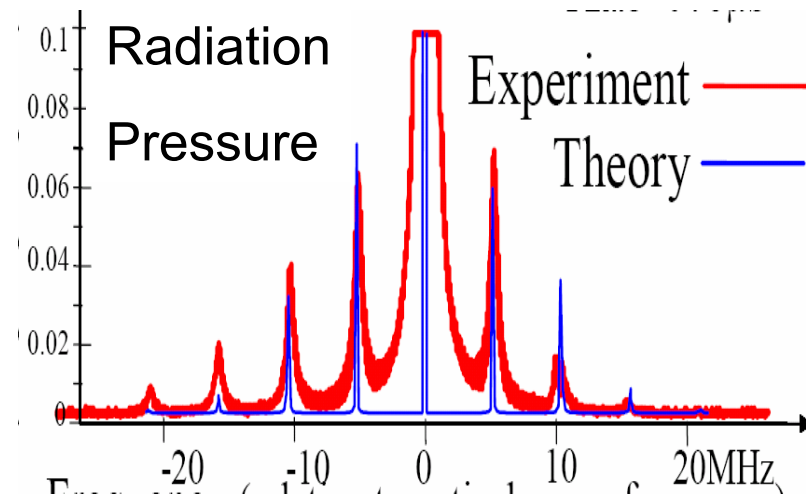


(When cavity is small enough, when pump is properly detuned).



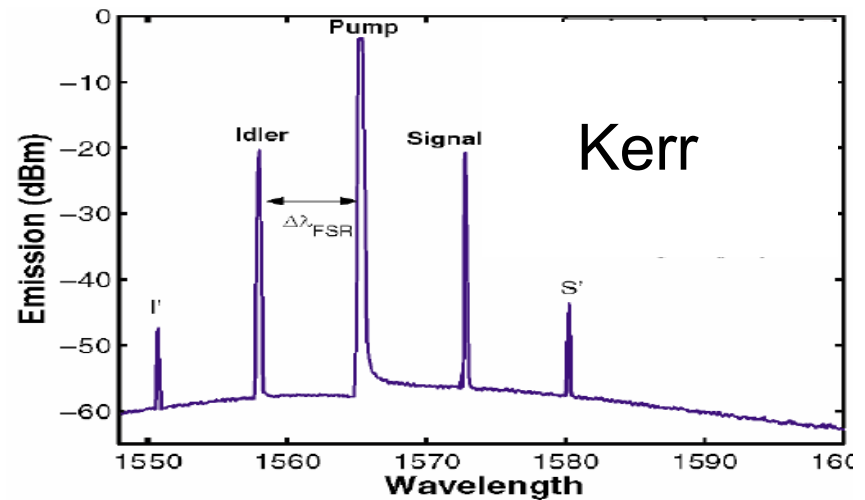
Radiation pressure parametric oscillations

10 MHz idler to signal



Kerr parametric oscillations

THz idler to signal



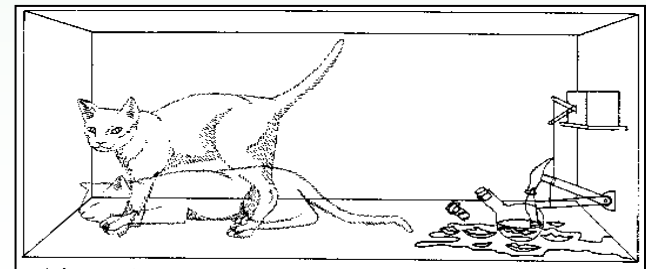
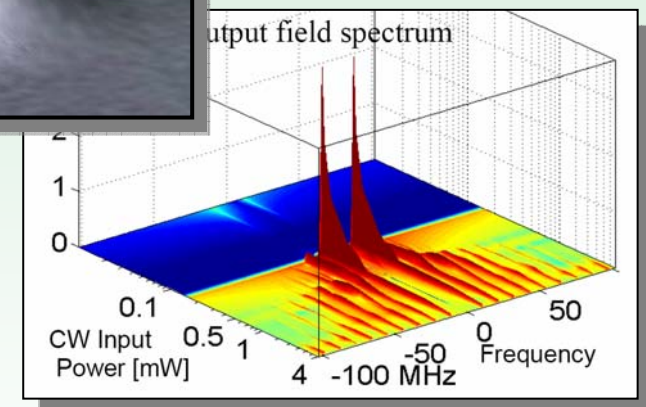
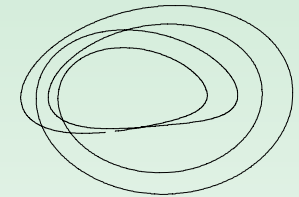
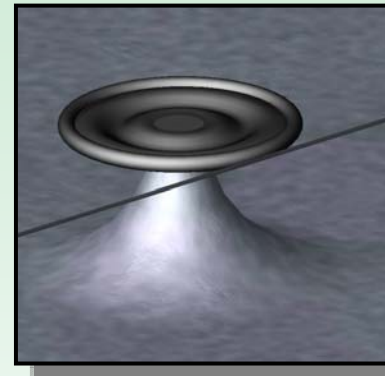
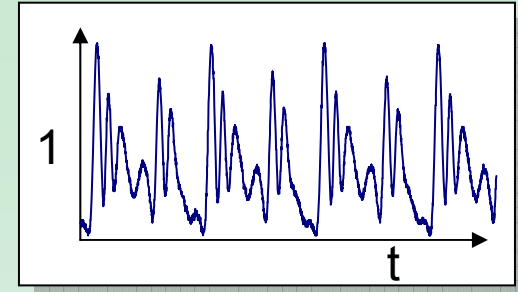
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# Conclusions

- Coupling between optical and mechanical resonances despite of the 8 orders of magnitude frequency difference.
- Oscillation is regenerative, exhibiting classic threshold behavior and requiring no external temporal modulation of the pump wave.
- When cavity is small enough, radiation pressure threshold is lower than Other nonlinearities (Raman, Kerr parametric oscillations and erbium lasing)
- No photons are lost when pushing the mirror is attractive for quantum optics ( $Q_0 \sim 10^8$ ,  $Q_a \sim 10^3$ , fiber coupled).



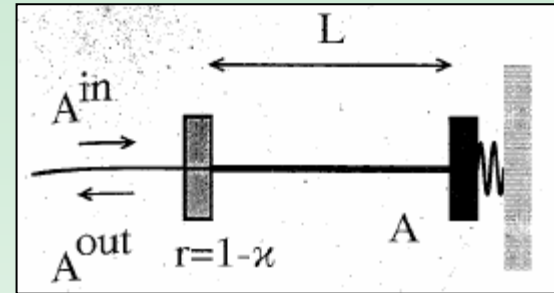
Who is interested in radiation pressure?



# Squeezing with $\chi^{(3)}$ Materials

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- Radiation pressure  $\sim$  Kerr nonlinearity.
- Path length increases with intensity
- Both enable squeezing



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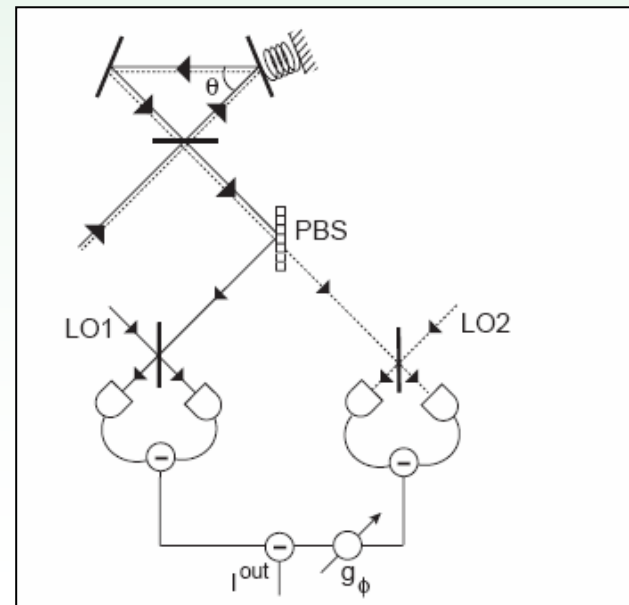
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## Radiation pressure induced Einstein-Podolsky-Rosen paradox

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- Entanglement
- Radiation pressure as an ambassador of quantum properties from photons to the macroscopic world





**Entangling Macroscopic Oscillators Exploiting Radiation Pressure**

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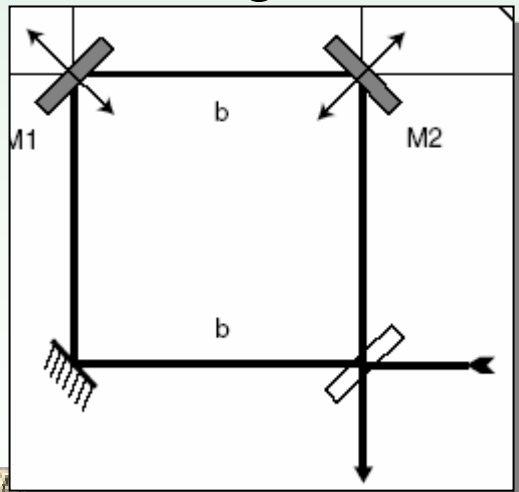
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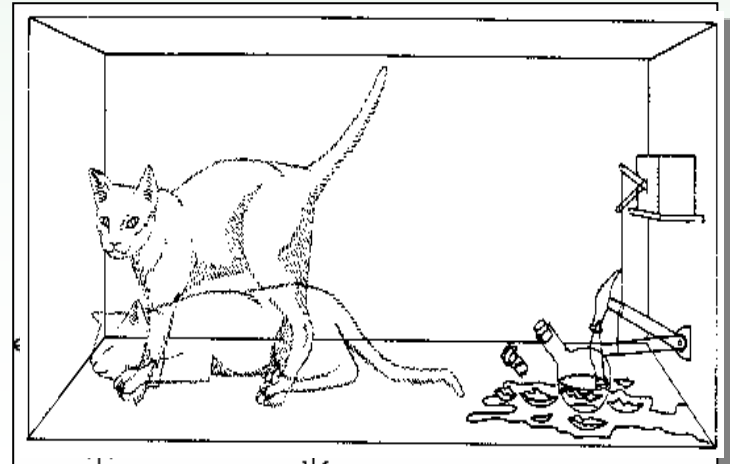
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