

# Non-equilibrium quantum thermodynamics of optomechanical systems

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# On the shoulders of Belfast's giants



Joseph Larmor

Born in Belfast in 1824



John Stuart Bell



Lord Kelvin



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*Ask the expert!*



Matteo Brunelli

cf. Matteo's poster  
(courtesy of Czech railways)

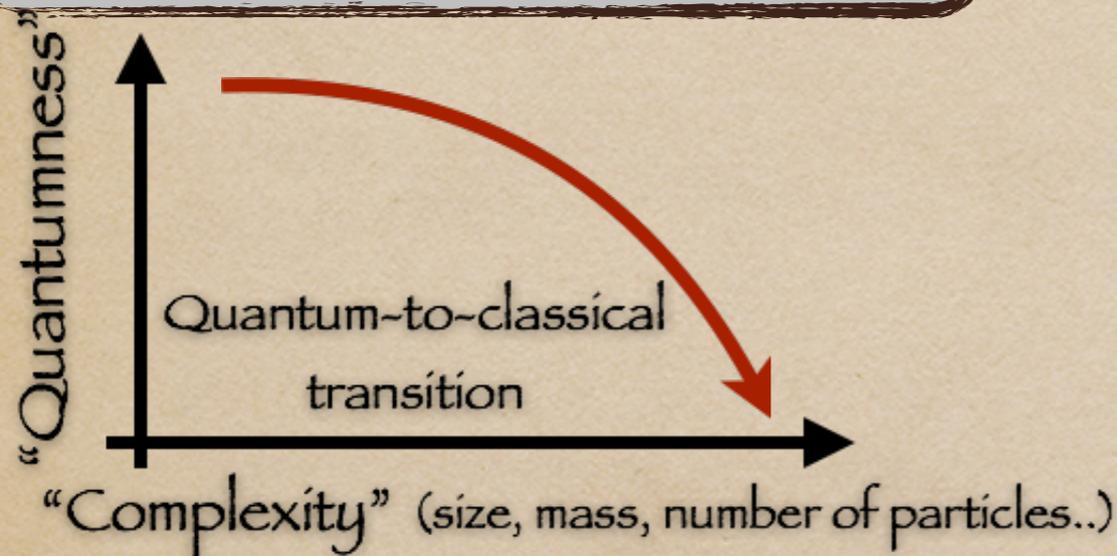


## *Setting the context*

# Thermodynamics of non-equilibrium quantum systems

Thermodynamics is a theory of inherently complex systems

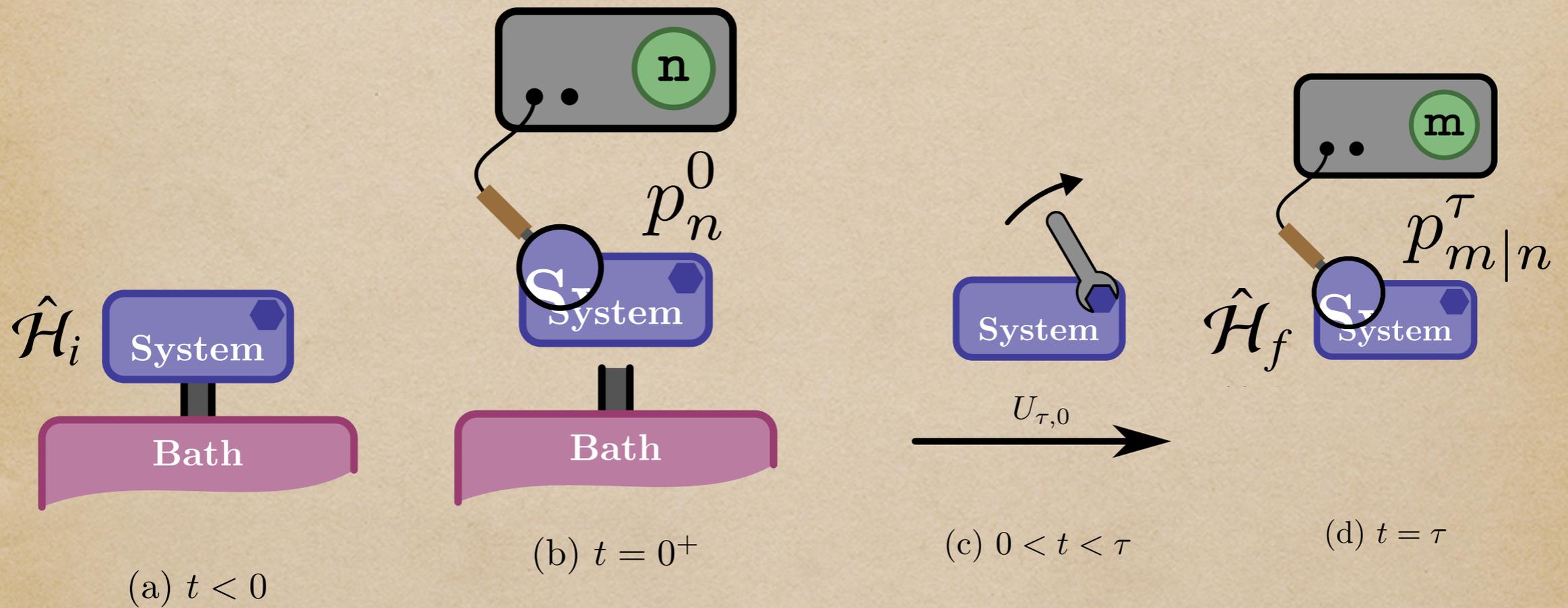
Optimisation of the performance of machines



Study of complex quantum phenomena through a thermodynamic approach?

# Setting the context

In quantum contexts: work is not an observable\*



Work Distribution

$$P_F(W) = \sum_{n,m} p_n^0 p_{m|n}^\tau \delta(W - (E'_m - E_n))$$

\*P. Talkner, E. Lutz, and P. Haenggi, Phys. Rev. E 75, 050102 (2007)



# The logic behind it

Work Distribution

$$P_F(W) = \sum_{n,m} p_n^0 p_{m|n}^\tau \delta(W - (E'_m - E_n))$$

Characteristic function of Work Distribution

$$\chi_F(u) = \int dW e^{iuW} P_F(W)$$

Jarzynski equality

$$\langle e^{-\beta W} \rangle = e^{-\beta \Delta F}$$

Jarzynski, PRL 78 2690 (1997)

free-energy change

Tasaki-Crooks  
relation

$$\frac{P_F(W)}{P_B(-W)} = e^{\beta(W - \Delta F)}$$

G. E. Crooks, PRE 60, 2721 (1999)

H. Tasaki, cond-mat/0009244 (2000)

M. Campisi, P. Haenggi, and P. Talkner, Rev. Mod. Phys. 83 (2011)



*What's difficult  
with it*

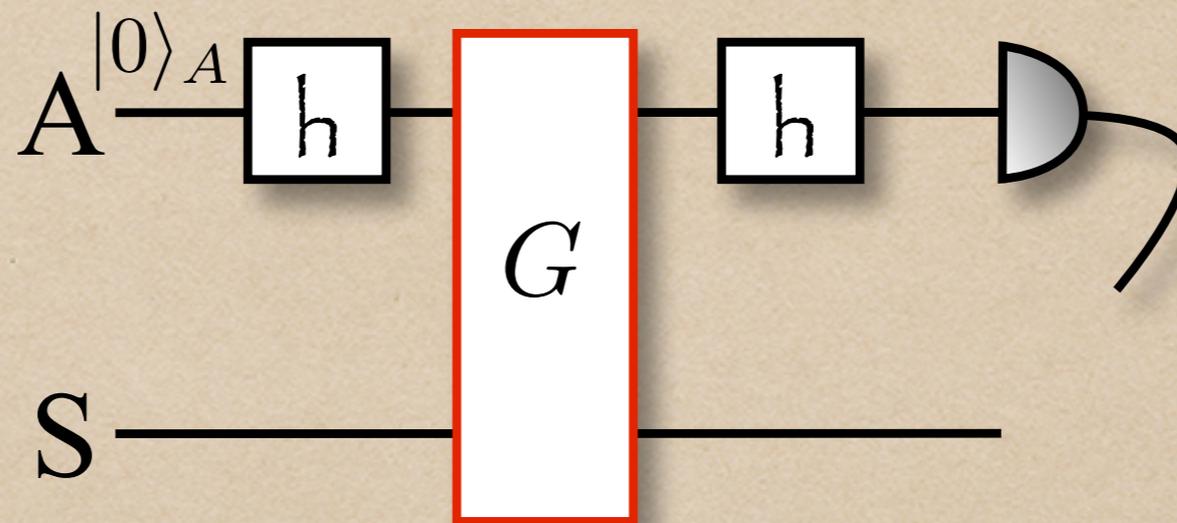
*“The major obstacle for the experimental verification of the work fluctuation relation is posed by the necessity of performing quantum projective measurements of energy”*

REVIEWS OF MODERN PHYSICS, VOLUME 83, JULY–SEPTEMBER 2011

**Colloquium: Quantum fluctuation relations: Foundations and applications**

Michele Campisi, Peter Hänggi, and Peter Talkner

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Germany*



$$\hat{G}(u, \tau) = \hat{U}_\tau e^{-i\hat{H}_i u} \otimes |0\rangle\langle 0|_A + e^{-i\hat{H}_f u} \hat{U}_\tau \otimes |1\rangle\langle 1|_A$$

$$\rho_A = (I + \alpha \hat{\sigma}_z + \beta \hat{\sigma}_y) / 2$$

$$\text{Re}\chi(u, \tau)$$

$$\text{Im}\chi(u, \tau)$$

R. Dornier, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 230601 (2013)

L. Mazzola, G. De Chiara, and MP, Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 230602 (2013)

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# Testing fluctuation theorem

PRL 113, 140601 (2014)

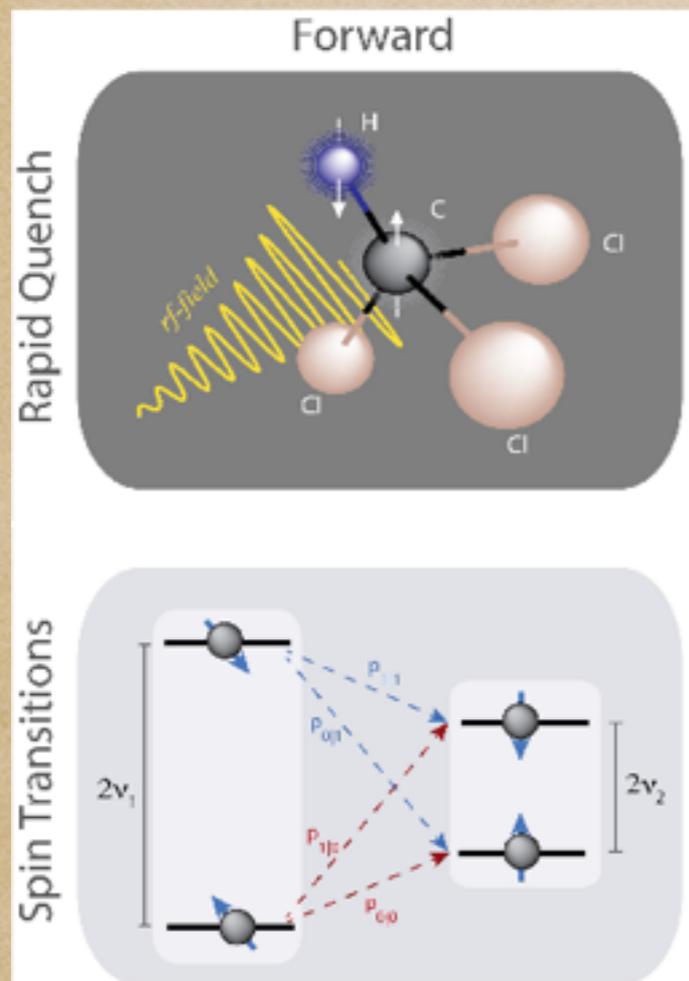
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$$\mathcal{H}_t^F = 2\pi\hbar\nu(t) \left( \sigma_x^C \cos \phi(t) + \sigma_y^C \sin \phi(t) \right)$$

$$\phi(t) = \pi t / (2\tau)$$

$$\nu(t) = \nu_0 (1 - t/\tau) + \nu_\tau t/\tau$$

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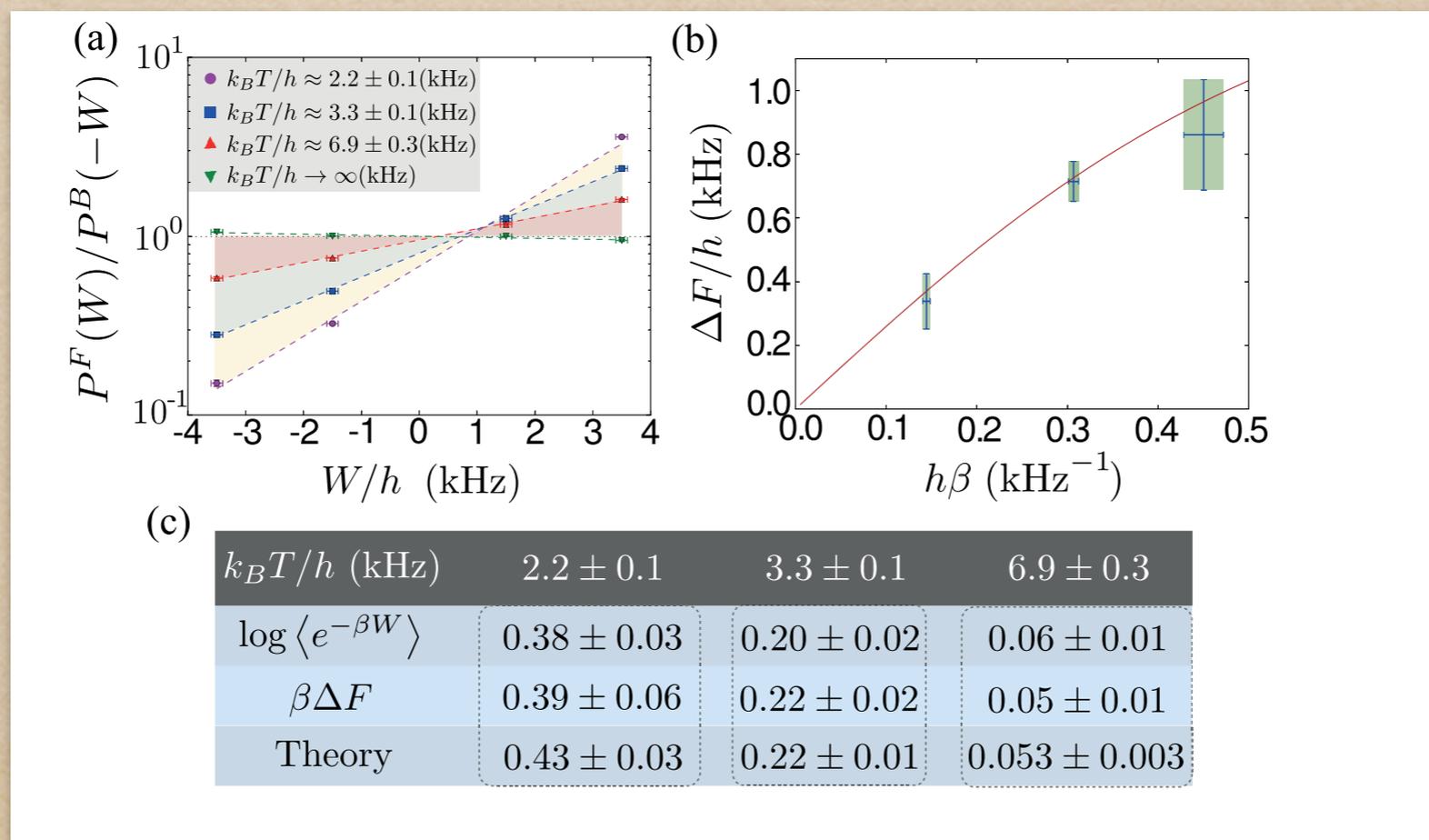
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# Entropy production

Jarzynski equality  $\langle e^{-\beta W} \rangle = e^{-\beta \Delta F}$

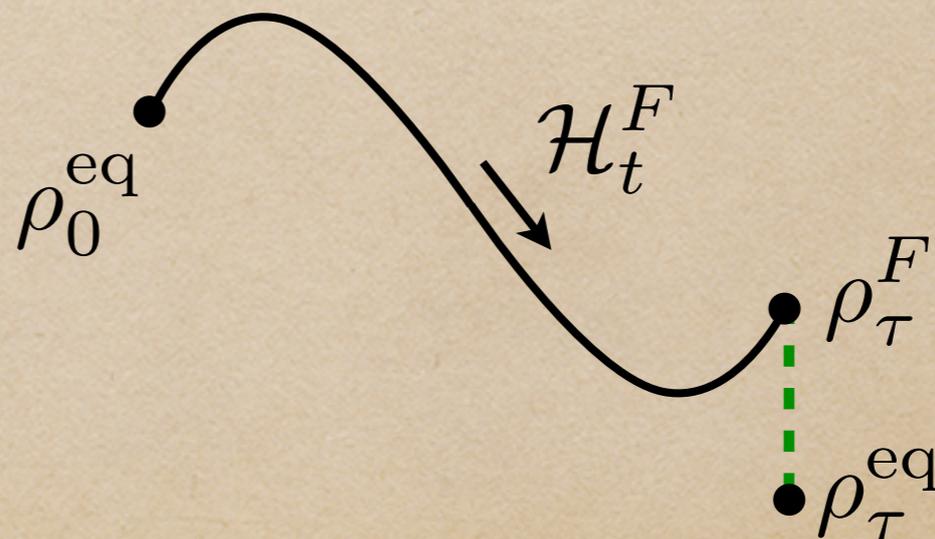
$$\langle W \rangle \geq \Delta F \longrightarrow \langle \Sigma \rangle = \beta(\langle W \rangle - \Delta F) \geq 0$$

(Clausius law)

$$\Sigma = \beta(W - \Delta F)$$

Entropy production

(Prigogine, de Groot)

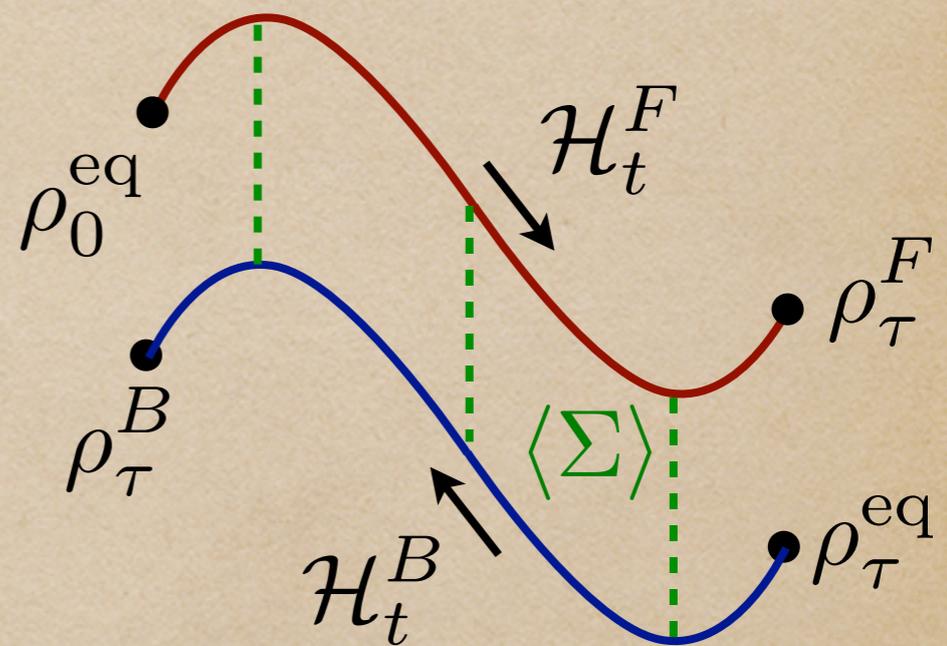


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$$\frac{P_F(W)}{P_B(-W)} = e^{\beta(W - \Delta F)}$$

Tasaki-Crooks

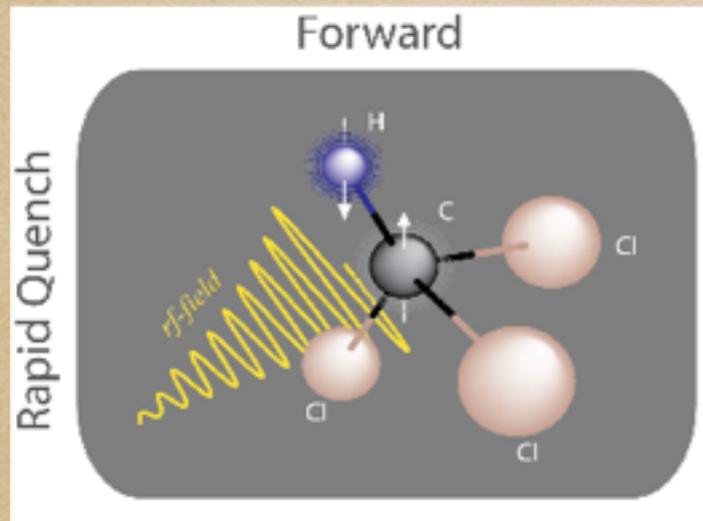
$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Sigma \rangle &= S(\rho_t^F \| \rho_{\tau-t}^B) \\ &= \text{tr} \left[ \rho_t^F (\ln \rho_t^F - \ln \rho_{\tau-t}^B) \right] \end{aligned}$$



J. Parrondo et al, NJP 11, 073008 (2009)

T. B. Batalhao, et al. arXiv:1502.06704 (2015)

*Experimental assessment of entropy production*

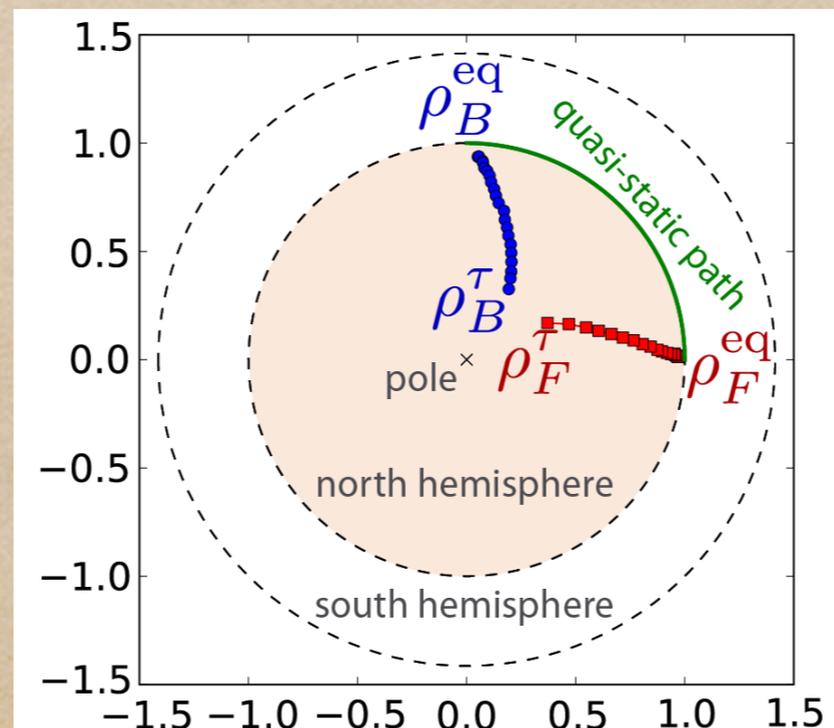
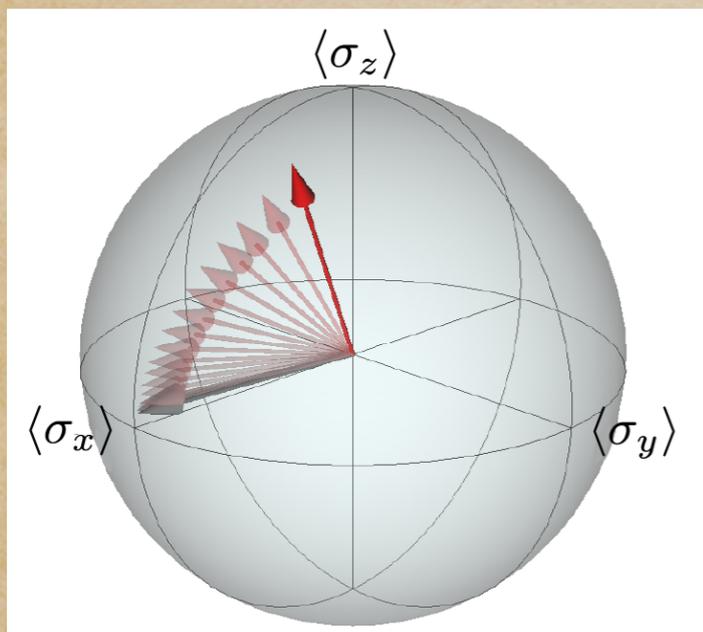


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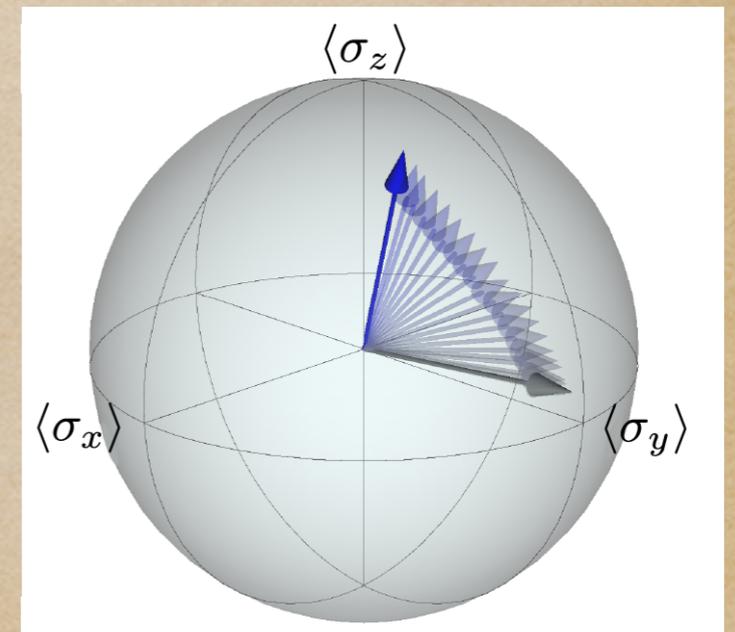
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Forward

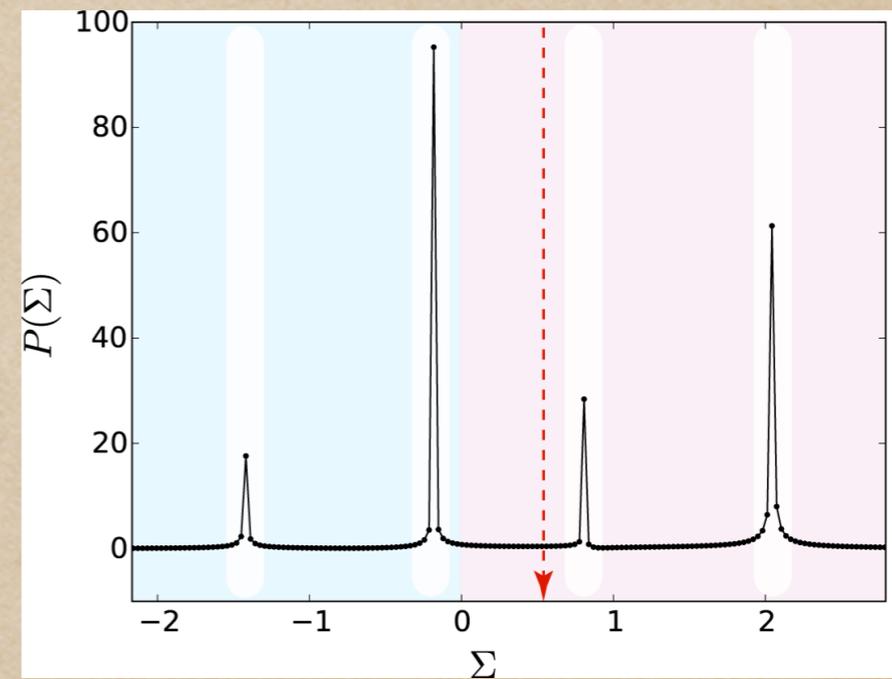
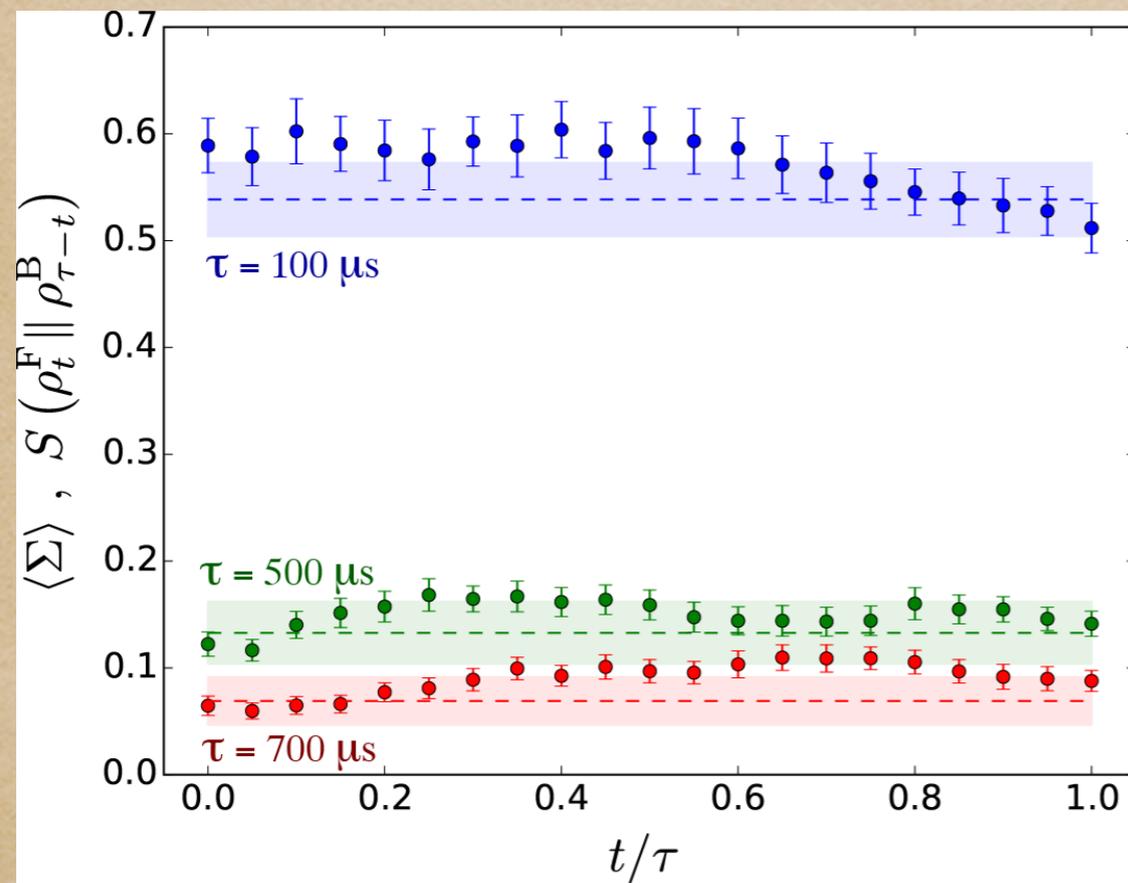


Backward



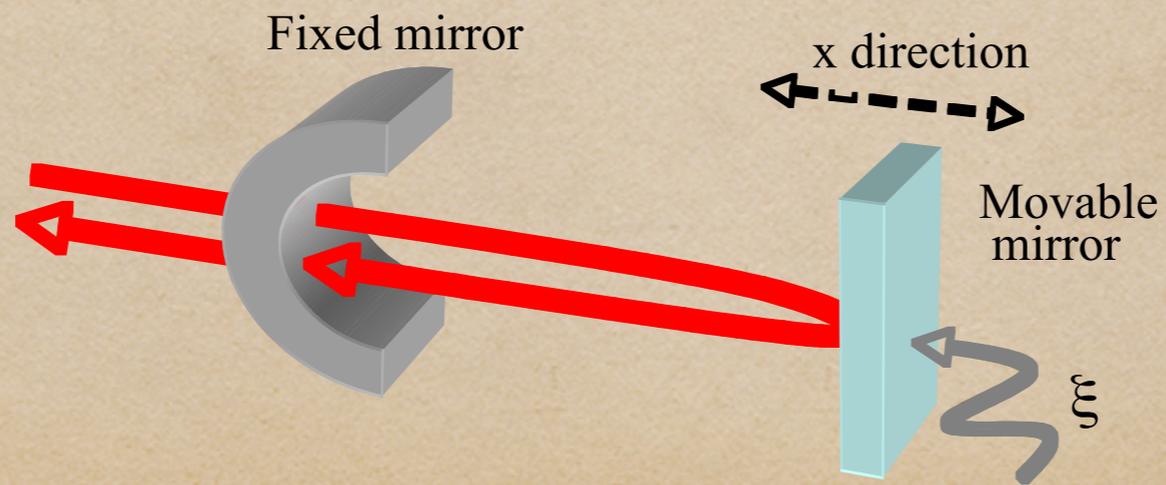
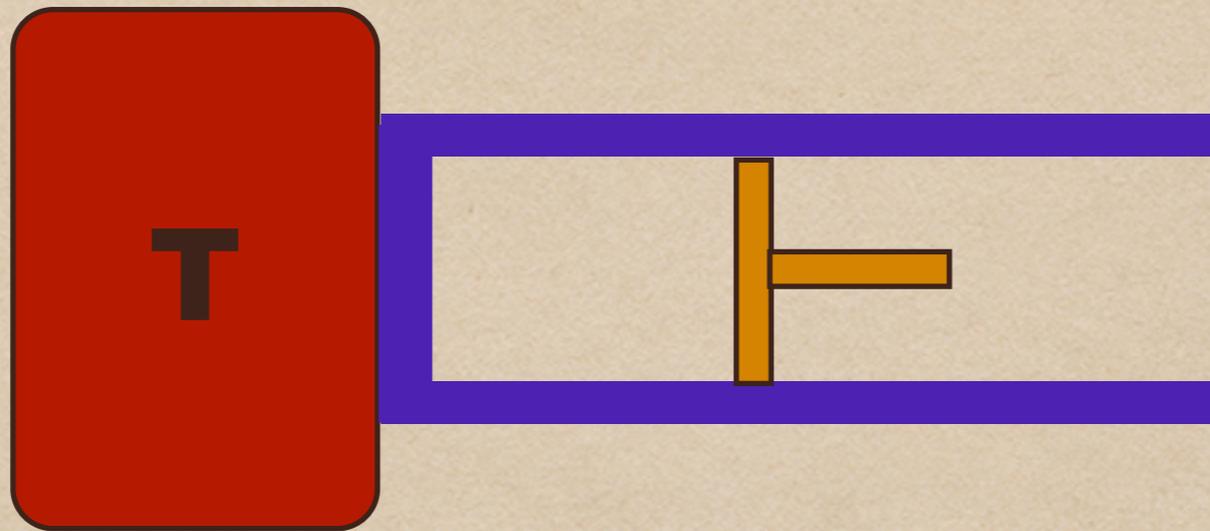


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T. B. Batalhao, et al. PRL 115, 190601 (2015)

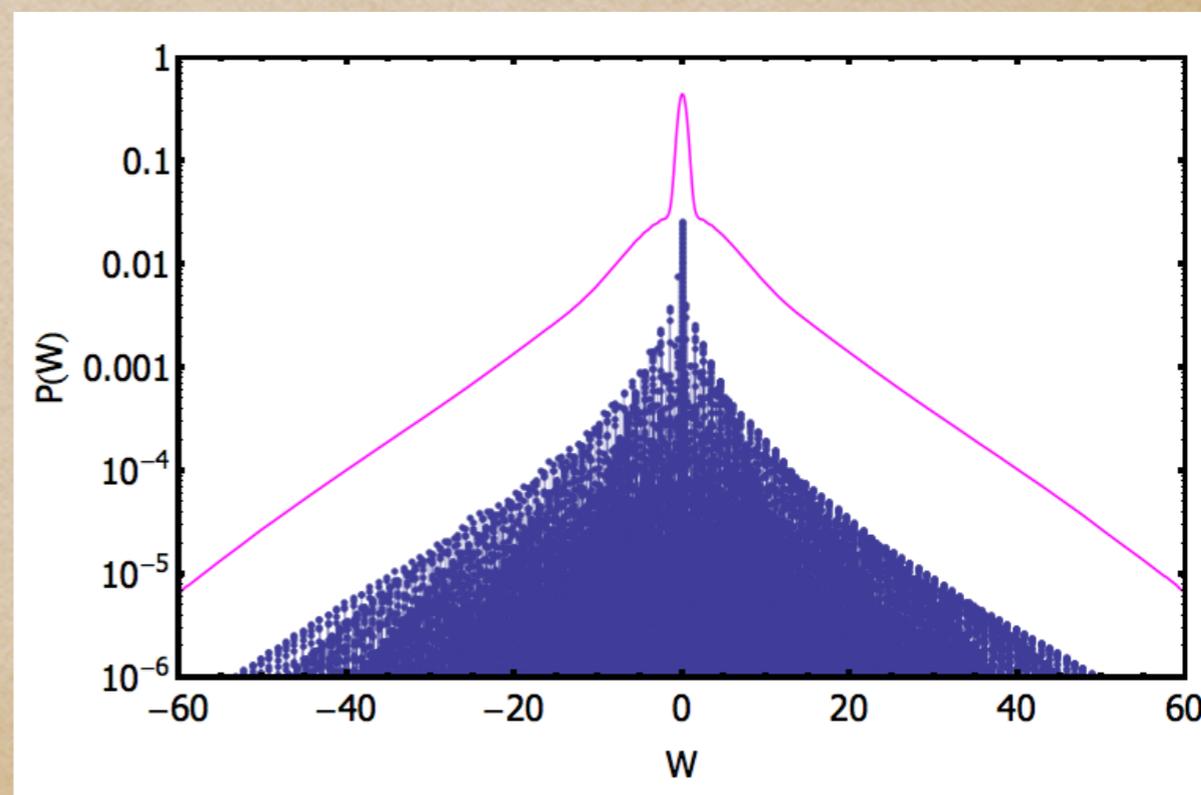
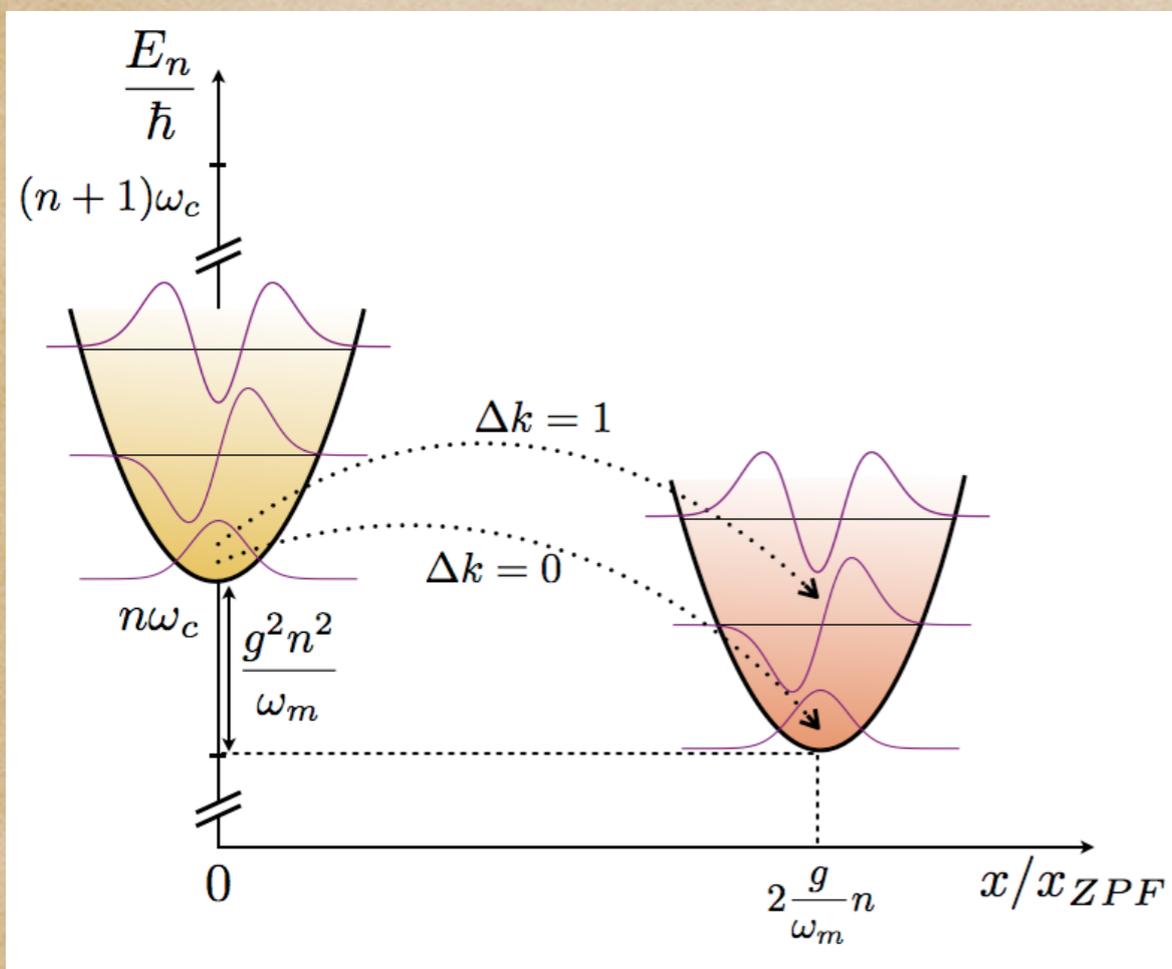
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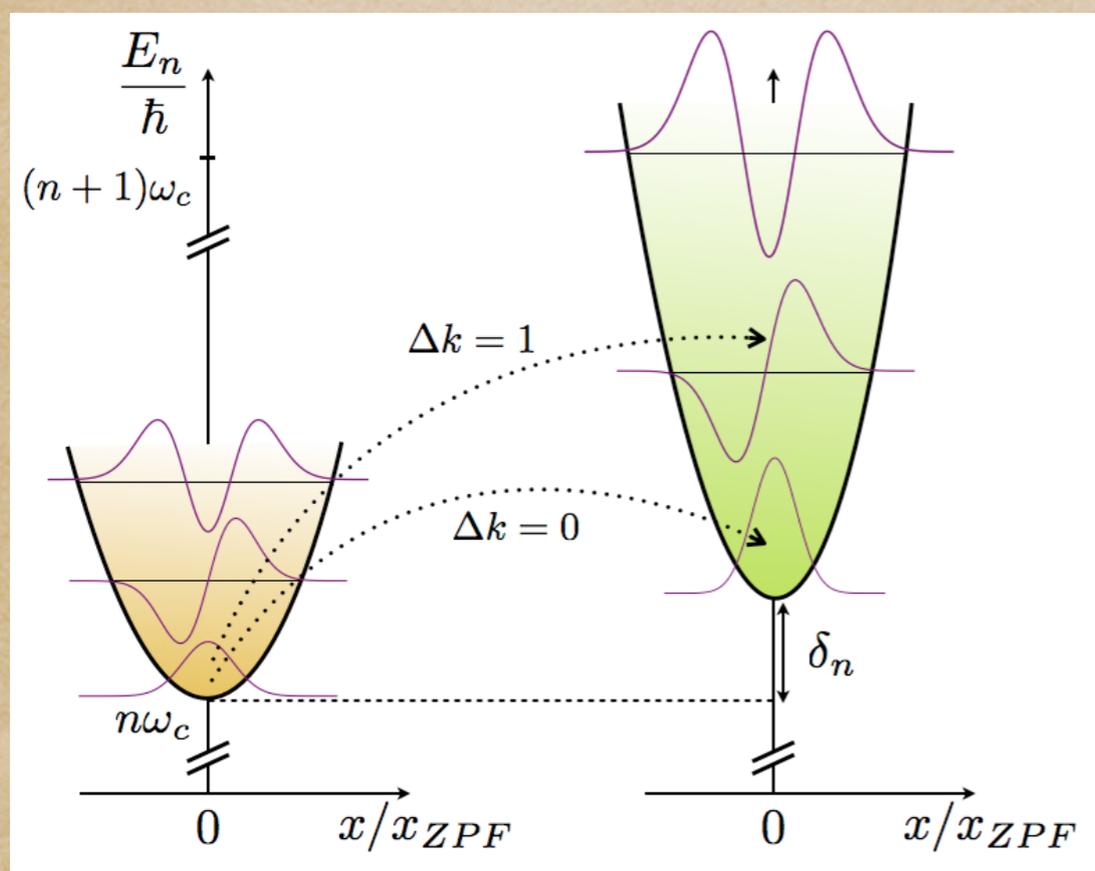
# Quenching the linear coupling

$$\hat{H}_{t=0} = \hbar\omega_c \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} + \hbar\omega_m (\hat{b}^\dagger \hat{b} + \frac{1}{2})$$

$$\hat{H}_{t>0} = \hat{H}_{t=0} + \hbar g \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} (\hat{b} + \hat{b}^\dagger)$$

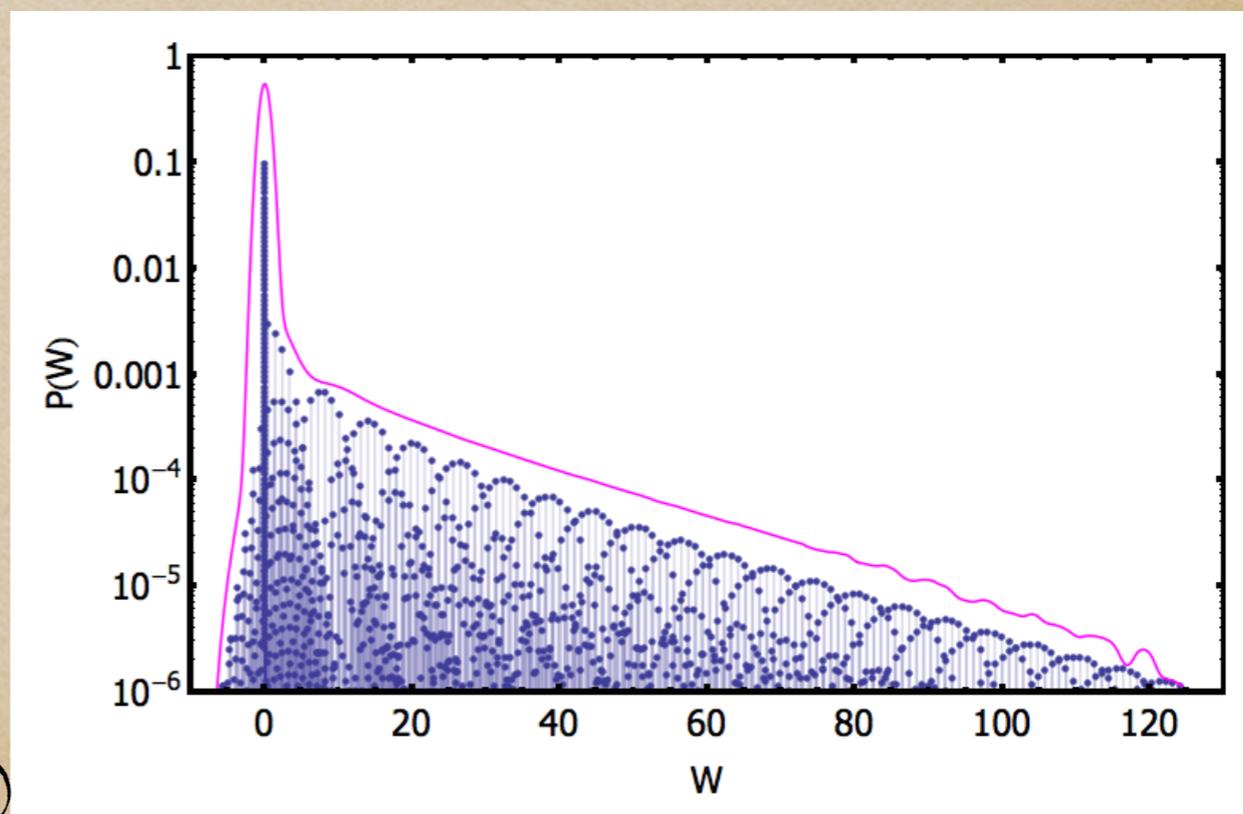


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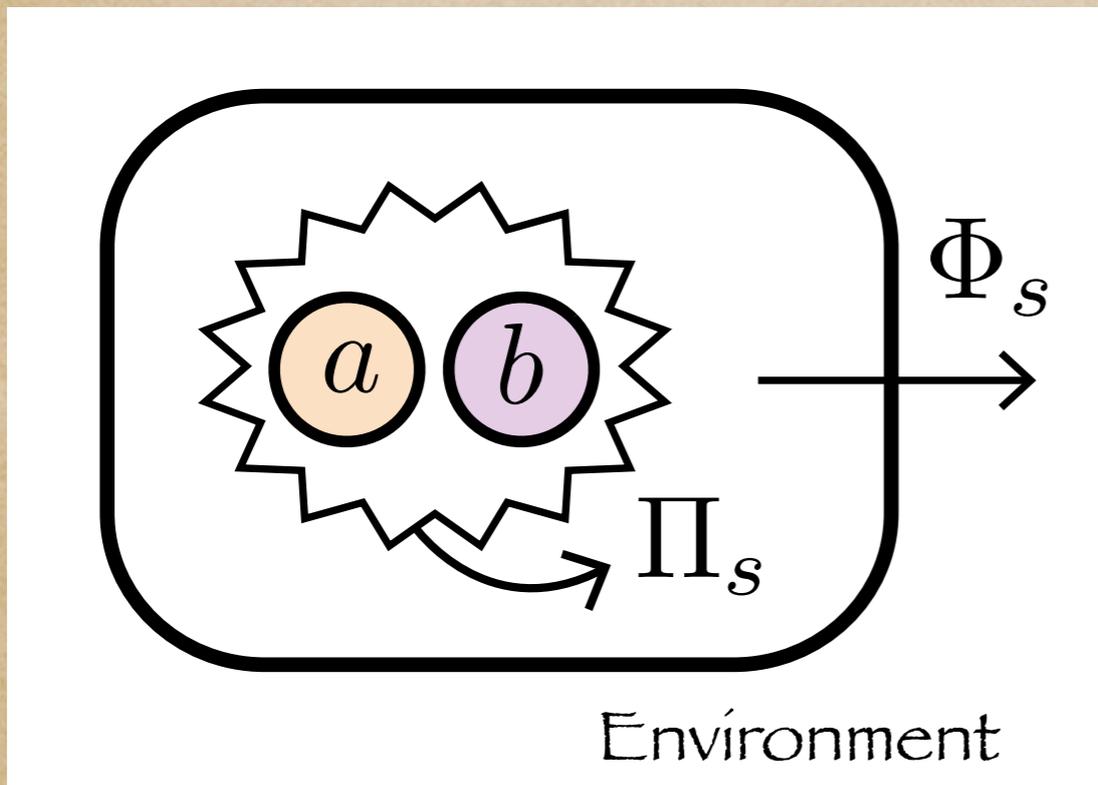
$$\hat{H}_{t>0} = \hat{H}_{t=0} + \hbar\kappa \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} (\hat{b} + \hat{b}^\dagger)^2.$$



# Entropy production

$$\Sigma = \Delta S - \int \frac{dQ}{T} \geq 0$$

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = \underbrace{\Pi(t)}_{\text{Entropy production rate}} - \underbrace{\Phi(t)}_{\text{Entropy flux rate into the environment}}$$

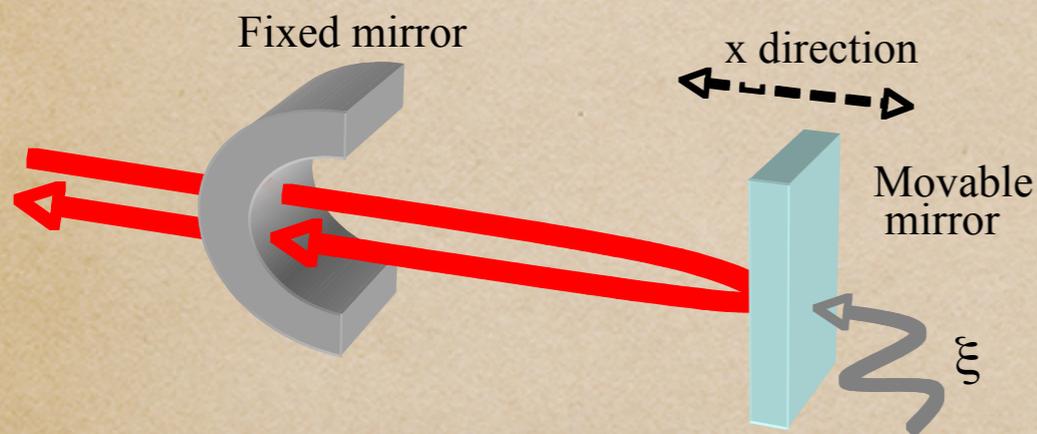


Collaboration with the groups of  
M. Aspelmeyer & N. Kiesel (Vienna)  
T. Esslinger & T. Donner (ETHZ)

M. Brunelli, et al. arXiv:1602.06958 (2016)

*Entropy production  
in mesoscopic  
quantum systems*

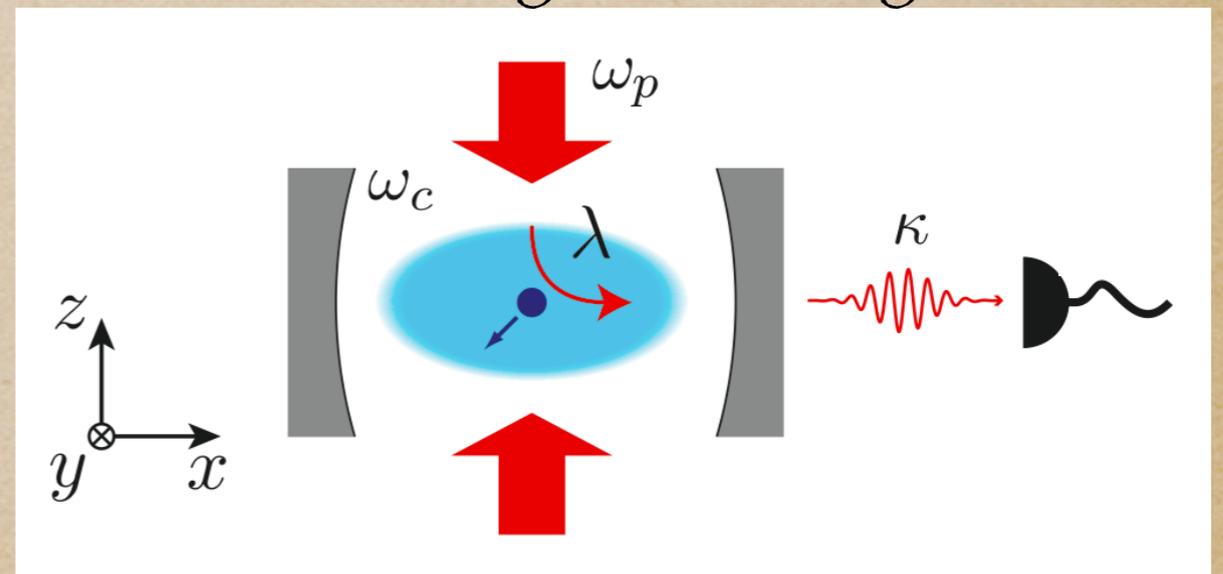
Optomechanics



$$H = \frac{\hbar\omega}{2} (p^2 + q^2) + \hbar(\omega_c - gq)a^\dagger a + i\hbar\mathcal{E}(a^\dagger e^{-i\omega_0 t} - a e^{i\omega_0 t})$$

Intra-cavity atomic systems

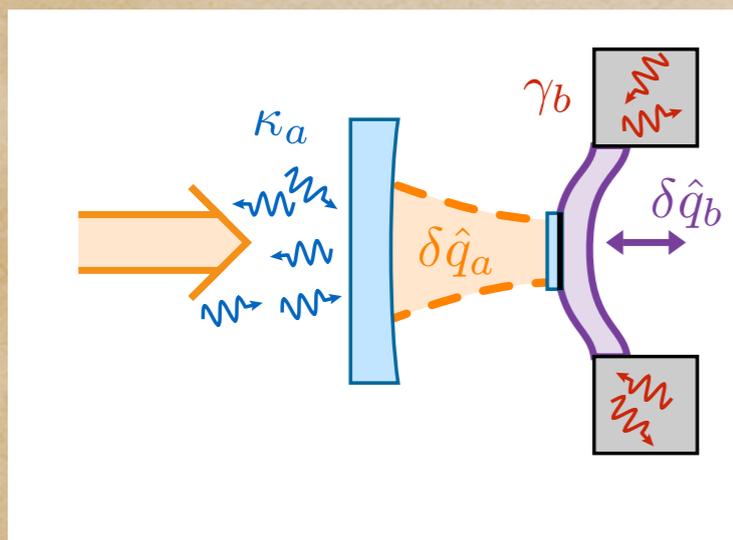
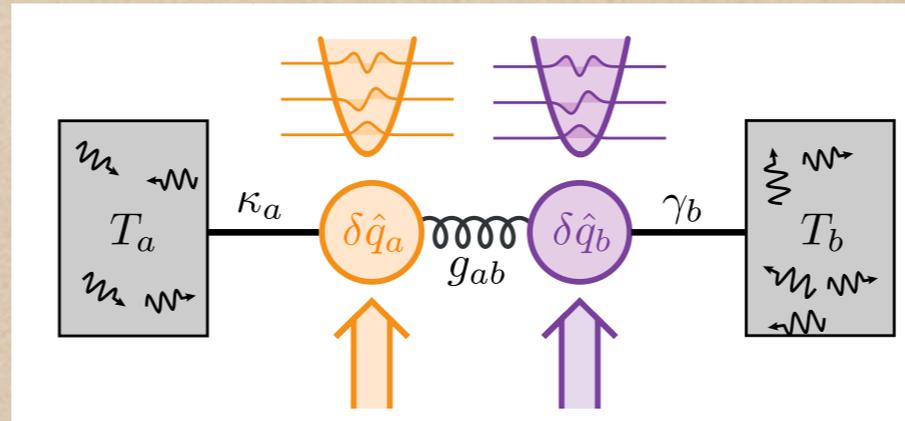
$$\hat{H} = \omega_0 \hat{J}_z + \omega \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} + \frac{2\lambda}{\sqrt{N}} (\hat{a} + \hat{a}^\dagger) \hat{J}_x$$



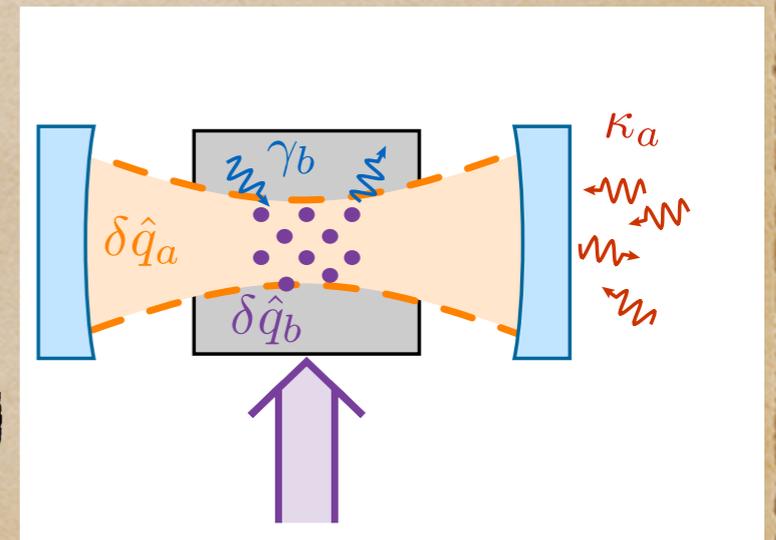


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$$\hat{H} = \frac{\hbar\omega_a}{2} (\delta\hat{q}_a^2 + \delta\hat{p}_a^2) + \frac{\hbar\omega_b}{2} (\delta\hat{q}_b^2 + \delta\hat{p}_b^2) + \hbar g_{ab} \delta\hat{q}_a \delta\hat{q}_b$$



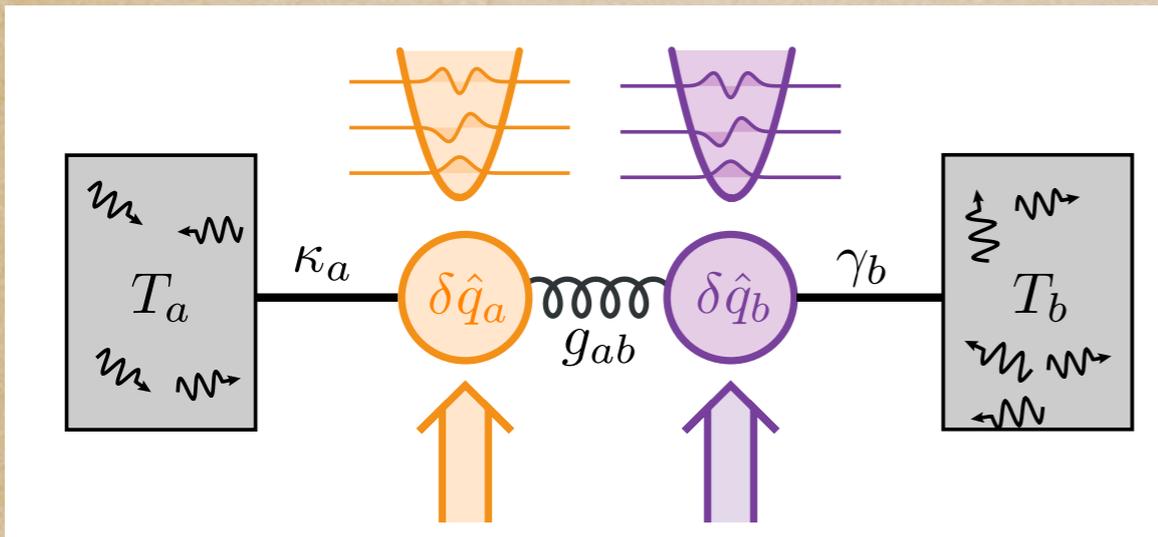
General framework  
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of thermo-irreversibility



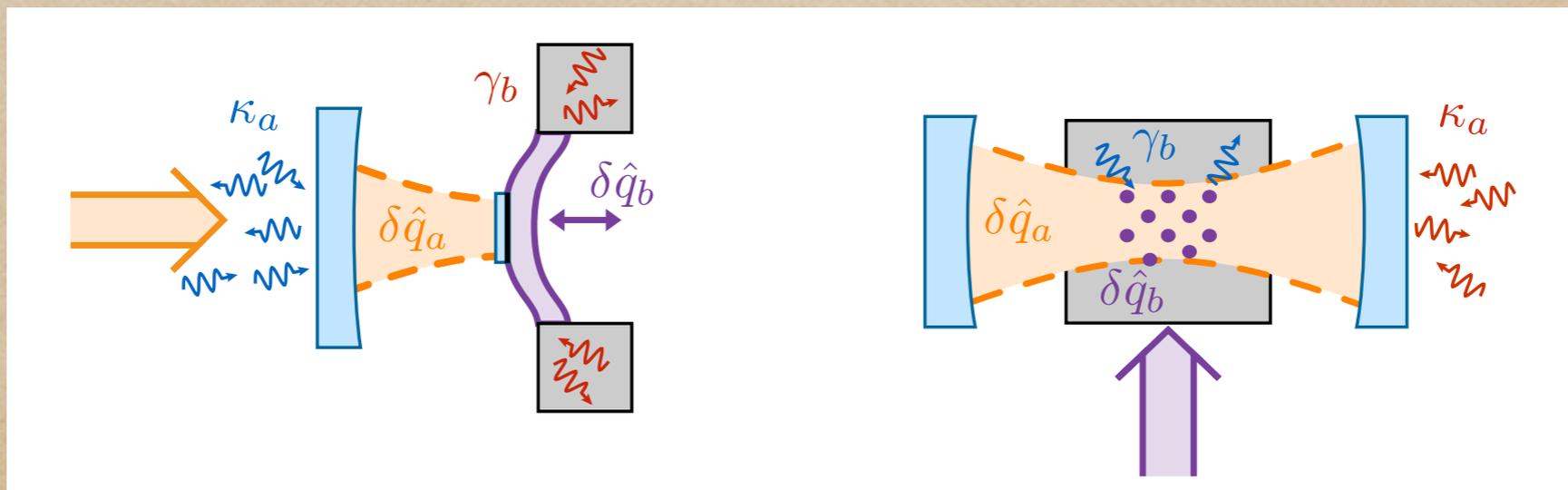
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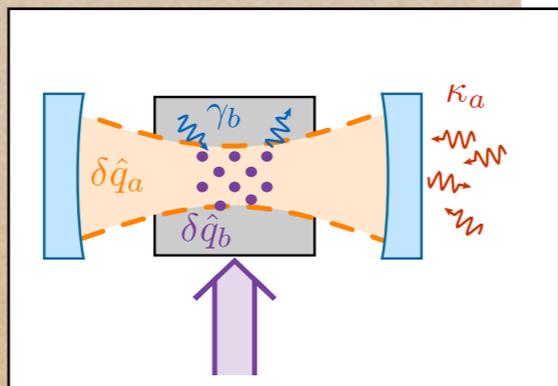
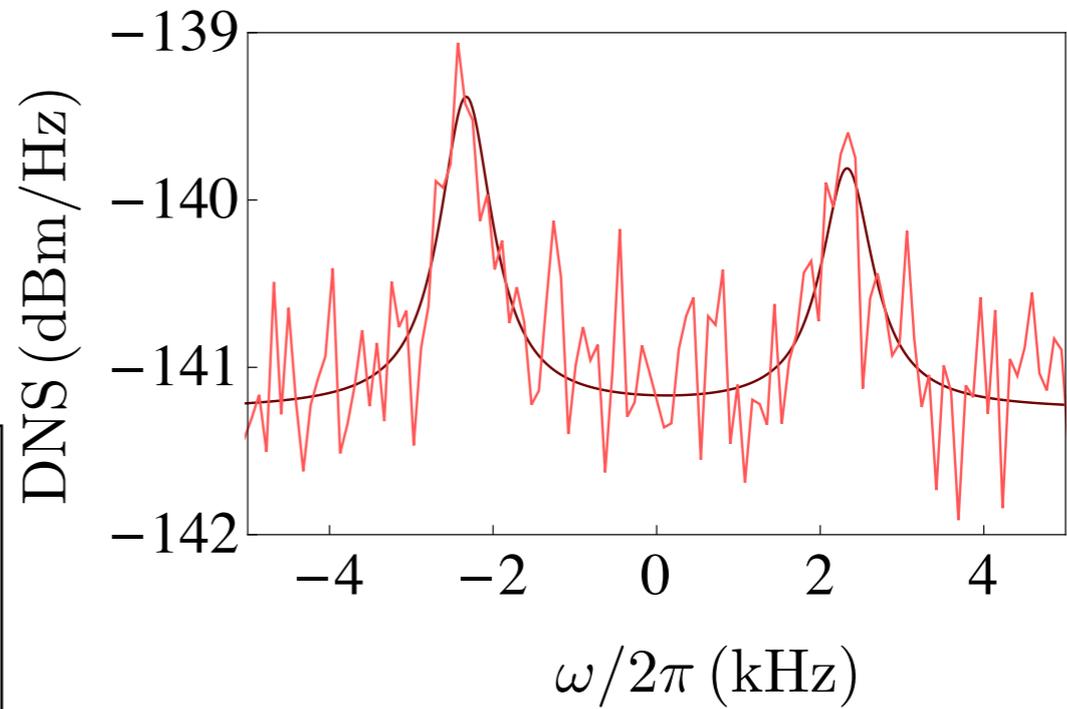
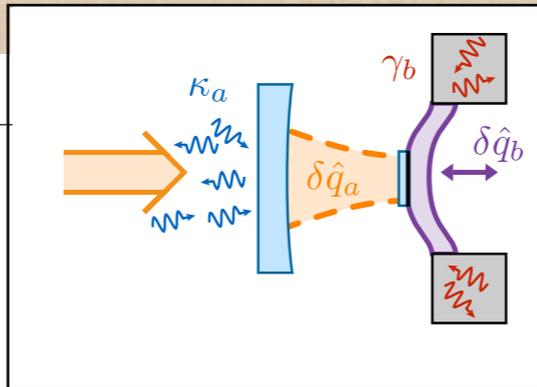
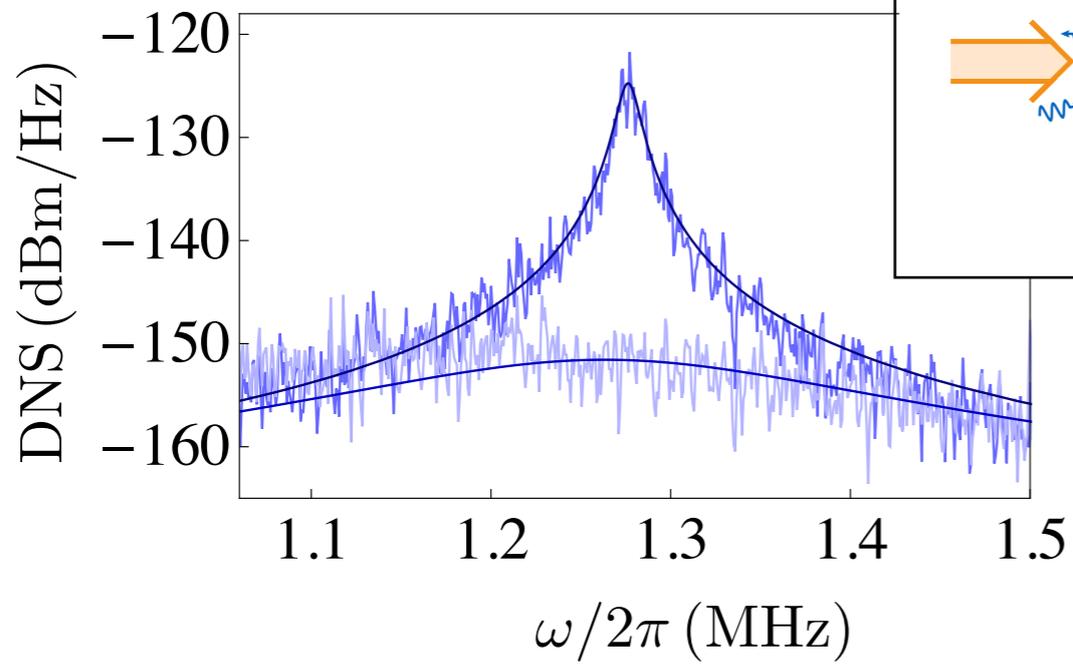
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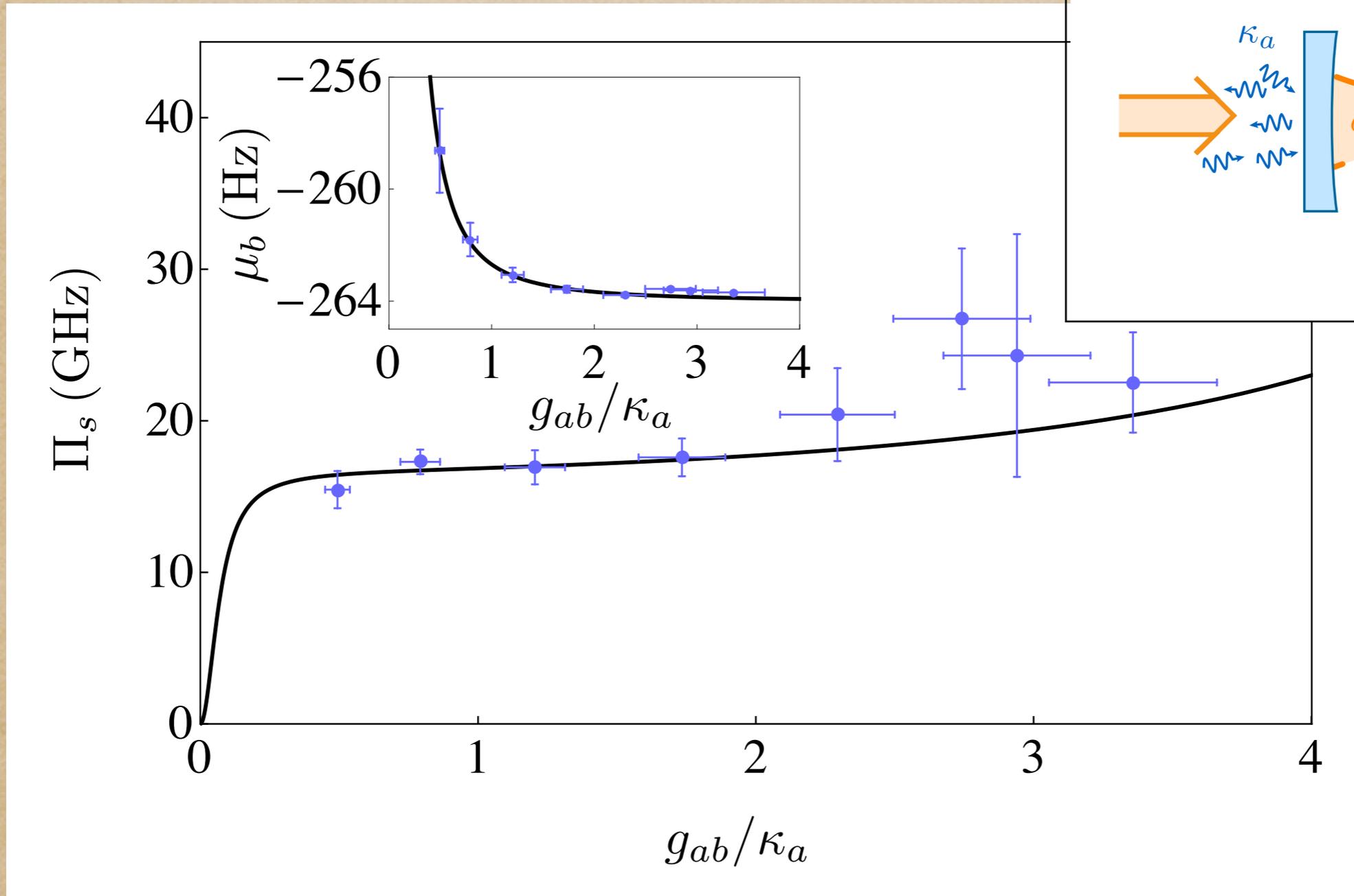
$$\Pi_s = 2\gamma_b \left( \frac{n_b + 1/2}{n_{T_b} + 1/2} - 1 \right) + 4\kappa_a n_a$$



# Experimental DNS

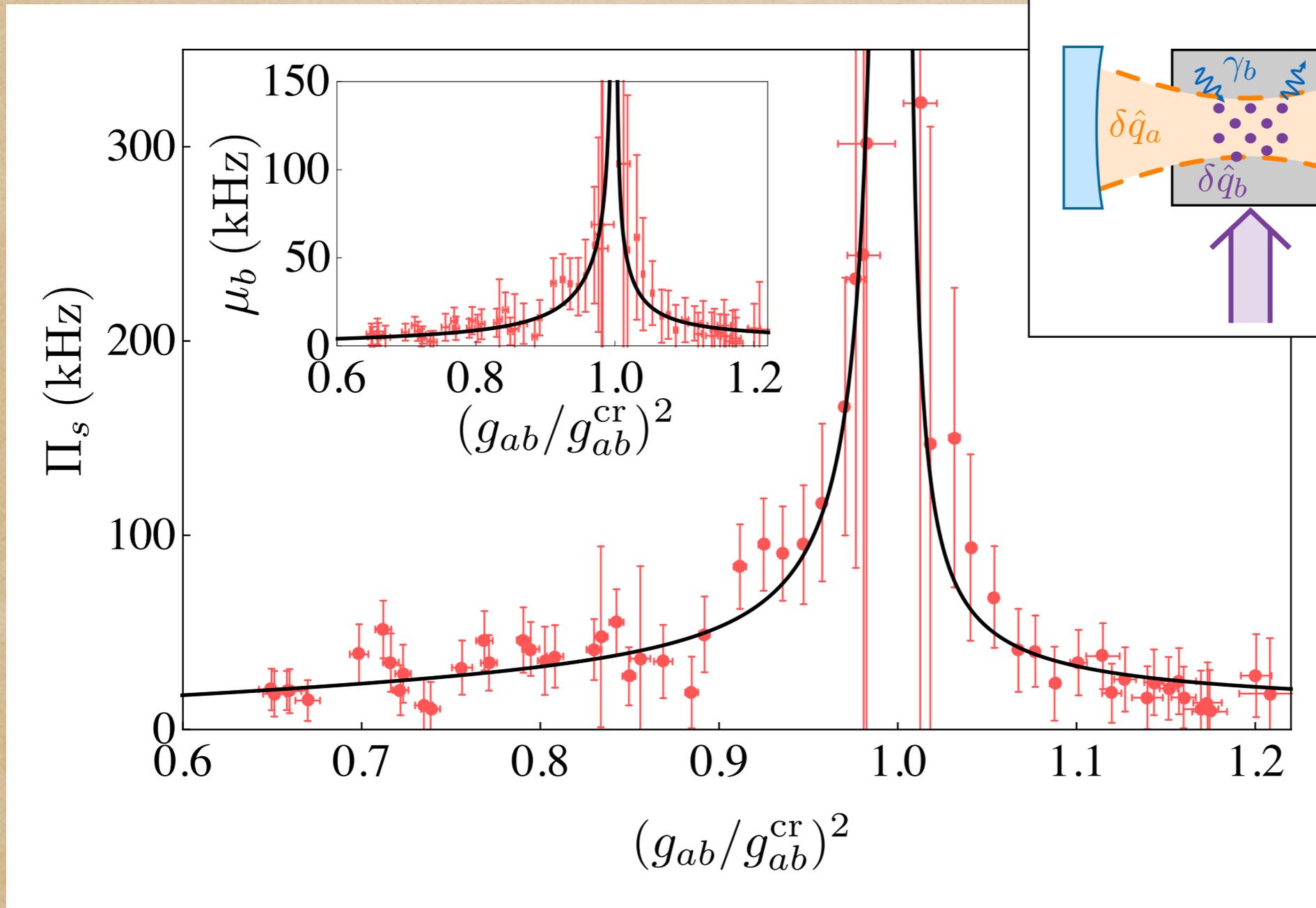


# Results



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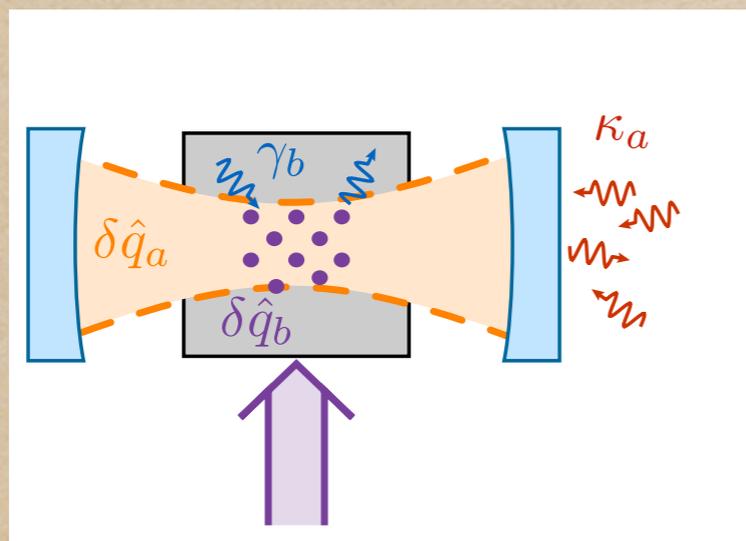
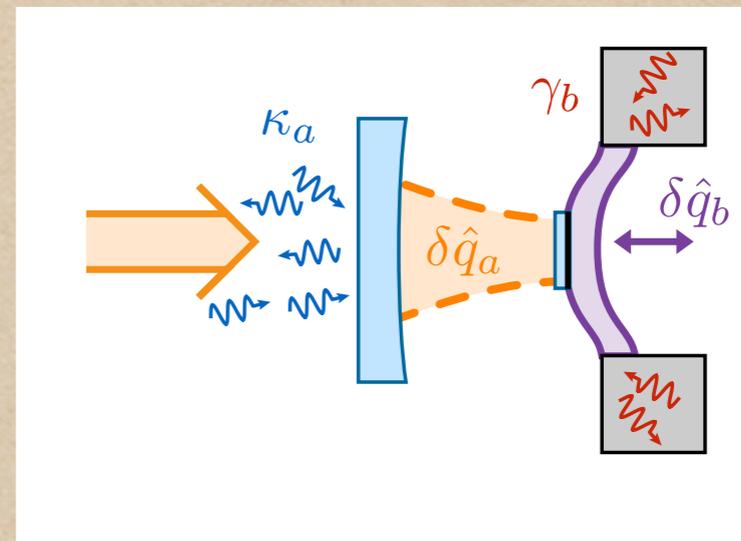


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# Collaborations

## Entropy & optomechanics

M. Brunelli, L. Fusco,  
G. De Chiara, A. Ferraro (Belfast)  
W. Wiczorek, N. Kiesel (Vienna)



## Entropy & ultracold atoms

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# Kneeling before the Lord



Lord Kelvin

Quantum thermo  
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