Levitated optomechanics

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Cavity optomechanics

Control and cooling of oscillators with light

- Enhanced by optical cavity
- Engineered systems
- Can be cooled to ground state
- Quantum limited sensing

T. J. Kippenberg, K. J. Vahala, Science 321, 1172 (2008)



Nano and micro-mechanical oscillators



Teufel et al. Nature 475 379 (2011)



Riviere et al. PRA 83 063835 (2011)



Chan et al. Nature 478 89 (2011)



Arcizet et al. Nature Physics 7 879 (2011)

Levitated optomechanics

- Uses tools developed for atomic physics and and optical trapping community
- Field insulates the particle from environment
- Tunable spring constant/ trapping freq.
- Can be released



- QM of macroscopic systems
 - Non-classicality
 - Superposition
 - Collapse
- Force sensing
 - Grav. waves
 - Grav. at small scales

Testing superposition for massive particles

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- Trap and cool
- Switch off the levitating field
- Record position

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Near-field interferometry of a free-falling nanoparticle from a point-like source

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Matter-wave interferometry



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Is gravity quantum?

A Spin Entanglement Witness for Quantum Gravity



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Free-fall experiment could test if gravity is a quantum force





MAQRO – Macroscopic quantum resonators



deep space (3K)

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Force sensing

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Short-Range Force Detection Using Optically Cooled Levitated Microspheres								
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Detecting High-Frequency Gravitational Waves with Optically Levitated Sensors

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We propose a tunable resonant sensor to detect gravitational waves in the frequency range of 50–300 kHz using optically trapped and cooled dielectric microspheres or microdisks. The technique we describe can exceed the sensitivity of laser-based gravitational wave observatories in this frequency range, using an instrument of only a few percent of their size. Such a device extends the search volume for gravitational wave sources above 100 kHz by 1 to 3 orders of magnitude, and could detect monochromatic gravitational radiation from the annihilation of QCD axions in the cloud they form around stellar mass black holes within our galaxy due to the superradiance effect.

Levitated optomechanics with a fiber Fabry-Perot interferometer

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Coupling phonons and photons **UCL**





Eichenfield et al. Nature (2009)

Devices with masses that span 18 orders of magnitude

Driven optical cavity

$$\dot{\hat{a}} = \frac{\kappa}{2}\hat{a} + i\Delta\hat{a} + \sqrt{\kappa_{ex}}\hat{a}_{in} + \sqrt{\kappa_0}\hat{f}_{in}$$

$$P = \hbar \omega_c \langle \hat{a}_{in}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{in} \rangle$$

$$\bar{n}_c = |\langle \hat{a} \rangle|^2 = \frac{\kappa_{ex}}{\Delta^2 + (\kappa/2)^2}$$

 $Q_{opt} = \omega_c / \kappa \qquad \qquad \langle \hat{F} \rangle = 2\hbar k \frac{\bar{n}_c}{\tau_c} = \hbar \frac{\omega}{L} \langle \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} \rangle, \tau_c = 2L/c$

Mechanical resonators



Equation of motion for mass m, damping rate Γ_m

$$m\ddot{x}(t) + m\Gamma_m \dot{x}(t) + m\Omega_m^2 x(t) = F_{ext}(t)$$

Useful to express as a function of frequency

$$x(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(t) e^{i\omega t} dt$$

Linear response theory gives $\delta x(\omega) = \chi_{xx}(\omega) F_{ext}(\omega)$

where the susceptibility is $\chi_{xx}(\omega) = (m(\Omega_m^2 - \omega^2) - im\Gamma_m\omega)^{-1}$

Mechanical resonators

Position as a function of time



Aspelmeyer et al. Rev. Mod. Phys. 86 1391

Position power spectral density (PSD)

$$S_{xx}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \langle x(t)x(0)\rangle e^{i\omega t} dt$$

Weiner-Kinchine theorem

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} S_{xx} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} = \langle x^2 \rangle = \frac{k_B T}{m \Omega_m^2}$$



A quantum phonon picture



Assuming harmonic motion, the Hamiltonian for the oscillator is

$$\hat{H}=\hbar\Omega_m\hat{b}^\dagger\hat{b}+rac{1}{2}\hbar\Omega_m$$
 where Phonon number is: $ar{n}=\langle\hat{b}^\dagger\hat{b}
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and where
$$\hat{x} = x_{zpf}(\hat{b} + \hat{b}^{\dagger}), \hat{p} = im\Omega_m x_{zpf}(\hat{b} - \hat{b}^{\dagger})$$

The extent of the ground state (zero phonon fluctuation) is

$$x_{zpf} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\Omega_m}} \qquad \qquad x_{zpf}^2 = \langle 0|\hat{x}^2|0\rangle$$

Heating due to a thermal bath

If the oscillator is coupled to a thermal bath, the heating rate is

$$\dot{\hat{n}} = -\Gamma_m(\langle n \rangle - \bar{n}_{th})$$

For low initial occupancy

$$\dot{\hat{n}}(t=0) = \bar{n_{th}}\Gamma_m \approx \frac{k_B T_{bath}}{\hbar Q_m}$$

The average thermal occupancy is

$$\bar{n_{th}} \approx \frac{k_B T_{bath}}{\hbar \Omega_m}$$



"Q f" product

$$\frac{\Omega_m}{\bar{n}_{th}\Gamma_m} = Q_m f_m \frac{\hbar}{k_B T}$$

Cavity + Oscillator

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Unperturbed Hamiltonian (cav + osc)

 $\hat{H}_0 = \hbar \omega_c \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} + \hbar \Omega_m \hat{b}^{\dagger} \hat{b}$

Cavity resonance perturbed by radiation pressures $\omega_c(x)\approx \omega_c+x\partial \omega_c/\partial x+....$

Modifies the cavity Hamiltonian

Where G is the coupling

$$\hbar\omega_c(x)\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a} \approx \hbar(\omega_c - G\hat{x})\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a}$$

Cavity + Oscillator

In the rotating wave approximation (RWA) and assuming the field undergoes small fluctuations about mean

 $\hat{a} = \bar{\alpha} + \delta \hat{a} \qquad \langle \hat{a} \rangle = \bar{\alpha}$

The approximate Hamiltonian is

 $\hat{H} \approx -\hbar\Delta\delta\hat{a}^{\dagger}\delta\hat{a} + \hbar\Omega_{m}\hat{b}^{\dagger}\hat{b} - \hbar g_{0}\sqrt{\bar{n}_{c}}(\delta\hat{a}^{\dagger} + \delta\hat{a})(\hat{b} + \hat{b}^{\dagger})$



Equations of motion

The following equations of motion can be derived

$$\delta \dot{\hat{a}} = (i\Delta - \kappa/2)\delta \hat{a} + ig(\hat{b} + \hat{b}^{\dagger}) + \sqrt{\kappa_{ex}}\delta a_{in}(t) + \sqrt{\kappa_0}\hat{f}_{in}(t)$$
$$\dot{\hat{b}} = (-i\Omega_m - \Gamma_m/2)\delta \hat{a} + ig(\delta \hat{a} + \delta \hat{a}^{\dagger}) + \sqrt{\Omega_m}\hat{b}_{in}(t)$$

Which we can derive the classical equations

$$\hat{a} = \bar{\alpha} + \delta \hat{a} \qquad \langle \hat{a} \rangle = \bar{\alpha}$$

$$\delta \dot{\alpha} = (i\Delta - \kappa/2)\delta \alpha + iG\bar{\alpha}x$$

$$m\ddot{x} = -m\Omega_m^2 - m\Gamma_m\dot{x} + \hbar G(\bar{\alpha}^*\delta\alpha + \bar{\alpha}\delta\alpha^*)$$

Equations of motion (frequency)

We can take the Fourier transform to get

 $-i\omega\delta\alpha(\omega) = (i\Delta - \kappa/2)\delta\alpha(\omega) + iG\bar{\alpha}x(\omega)$

$$-m\omega^2 x(\omega) = -m\Omega_m^2 x(\omega) + i\omega m\Gamma_m x(\omega) + \hbar G(\bar{\alpha}^* \delta \alpha(\omega) + \bar{\alpha} \delta \alpha^*(\omega))$$

Which allows us to find the optomechanical susceptibility

$$\chi_{xx}(\omega) = [m(\Omega_m^2 - 2\omega\delta\Omega_m) - \omega^2 - i\omega(\Gamma_m + \Gamma_{opt})]^{-1}$$

Optical damping/heating

$$\Gamma_{opt}(\omega) = g^2 \frac{\Omega_m}{\omega} \left[\frac{\kappa}{(\Delta + \omega)^2 + \kappa^2/4} - \frac{\kappa}{(\Delta - \omega)^2 + \kappa^2/4} \right]$$



Frequency shift

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A levitated particle in a cavity

A particle placed in cavity field shifts the resonant frequency



$$\frac{\delta(\omega)}{\omega} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\int d^3 \mathbf{r} \delta \mathbf{P}. \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r})}{\int d^3 \mathbf{r} \epsilon_0 \mathbf{E}^2(\mathbf{r})}$$

For a point like nanoparticle

$$\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{r}') = \alpha_p E(\mathbf{r}) \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')$$

This leads to a non-linear frequency shift

$$\delta\omega = -\frac{3}{2}\frac{V_s}{V_m}\frac{n^2 - 1}{n^2 + 2}\cos^2(kx)\omega_L$$

But the coupling can be made linear

$$g_0 = \partial \omega(x) / \partial x|_{x=\lambda/8} = \frac{3V_s}{2V_m} \frac{n^2 - 1}{n^2 + 2} \omega_L$$



Scattering out of cavity



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Scattering with size



Coupling with size



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Equations of motion for levitation



Optical trapping



Gieseler et al. Nature Phys. 9 806 (2012)

$$\langle \mathbf{F} \rangle = \frac{\alpha'}{2} \sum_{i=x,y,z} \operatorname{Re}[E_i^* \nabla E_i] + \frac{\alpha''}{2} \sum_{i=x,y,z} \operatorname{Im}[E_i^* \nabla E_i]$$

$$= \mathbf{F}_{\operatorname{grad}}(\mathbf{r}) + \mathbf{F}_{\operatorname{scatt}}(\mathbf{r}),$$

Optical trapping

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$$\begin{split} I^{FF}(\mathbf{r}',\mathbf{r}_{\mathrm{p}}) &= \frac{c\varepsilon_{0}}{2} \left| \mathbf{E}_{\mathrm{dp}}(\mathbf{r}',\mathbf{r}_{\mathrm{p}}) + \mathbf{E}_{\mathrm{ref}}(\mathbf{r}') \right|^{2} \\ &\approx \frac{c\varepsilon_{0}}{2} \left| \mathbf{E}_{\mathrm{ref}} \right|^{2} + c\varepsilon_{0} \operatorname{Re} \left[\mathbf{E}_{\mathrm{ref}} \mathbf{E}_{\mathrm{dp}}^{*} \right] \\ &\approx \frac{c\varepsilon_{0}}{2} \left| \mathbf{E}_{\mathrm{ref}} \right|^{2} + \frac{\alpha E_{0}^{2} z_{0} \omega^{2}}{4\pi c f_{\mathrm{cl}}^{2}} e^{-ik \left[\frac{xx_{p}}{f_{\mathrm{cl}}} + \frac{yy_{\mathrm{p}}}{f_{\mathrm{cl}}} - z_{\mathrm{p}} \left(1 - \frac{\rho^{2}}{2f_{\mathrm{cl}}^{2}} \right) + \frac{\pi}{2k} \right] \end{split}$$

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Detection of motion



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Magnetic trapping



 $-\frac{\chi B^2 v}{2\mu_0}$ + mgy

Bradley R Slezak et al 2018 New J. Phys.20 063028



Magnetic trapping



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Electrical trapping – Paul trap

3-D potential for charged particle

$$\Phi = \frac{\Phi_0}{2r_0^2} (\alpha x^2 + \beta y^2 + \gamma z^2)$$
$$\nabla^2 \Phi = 0 \rightarrow \alpha + \beta + \gamma = 0$$



Linear Paul trap

$$\begin{array}{l} \alpha=1,\beta=0,\gamma=-1\\ \Phi=\frac{\Phi_0}{2r_0^2}(x^2-z^2) \end{array} \right. \label{eq:alpha}$$

https://youtu.be/XTJznUkAmIY

$$\Phi_0 = U + V \cos \omega t$$

$$\ddot{x} + \frac{e}{mr_0^2} (U + V\cos\omega t)x = 0$$
$$\ddot{z} - \frac{e}{mr_0^2} (U + V\cos\omega t)z = 0$$



Stability





Secular approximation time series

time

Electrospray loading



Linear Paul trap







A levitated particle in a cavity



A levitated particle in a cavity



Frequency stability limited by 3 degree C room temperature fluctuation

- 200 nm displacement of electrodes in holders
- thermal fluctuations in drive electronics



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Decoherence – gas collisions

$$\dot{Q}_{gas} = -\frac{\alpha \pi R^2 P_g v_t}{2T_g} \frac{\gamma + 1}{\gamma - 1} \left(T - T_g \right)$$

$$F_{\text{drag}}^{\text{em}} = -\int_0^{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} p^{S,\text{em}} \cos\theta \, \mathrm{d}S$$
$$= \frac{mNR^2\pi^{3/2}}{3\sqrt{h'}} V \stackrel{!}{=} M \Gamma^{\text{em}} V.$$

$$\Gamma^{\rm imp} = \frac{4\pi}{3} \frac{mNR^2 \bar{v}_{T_{\rm imp}}}{M}$$
$$\Gamma^{\rm em} = \frac{\pi}{8} \sqrt{\frac{T^{\rm em}}{T^{\rm imp}}} \Gamma^{\rm imp}$$

Decoherence – black body

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Decoherence – black body



Decoherence – photon recoil







Cooling in a electro-optical trap



Hybrid trap



Cavity cooling



Cooling optomechanical motion

F= 40 000, Linewidth 300 kHz, Cooling rate 1 kHz, Heating rate 5mHz

Temp reduced by 10⁵ and reaches mK at 10⁻⁶ mbar

Particle remains trapped but cannot measure mechanical frequency at 10⁻⁶ mbar



Millikelvin temperatures



Noise control

Cooling of a mechanical frequency of 100 kHz, 10e-8 mbar for different linewidths of the filtering cavity (Science cavity 26 kHz, 200 nm,)



Cooling of a secular frequency of 50 kHz and a filtering cavity of 2.5 kHz linewidth



500 Hz linewidth

Frequency noise



Filtering cavity to reduce laser frequency noise

- •Cavity length: 400 mm
- •Cavity half-linewidth: 3.0 kHz
- •Mirror holders made of INVAR
- •Torlon feet for thermal isolation Pressure of 10⁻² mbar



Environmental noise

Mechanical isolation of the cavity holder to reduce displacement noise Design of high-Q mechanical springs inspired from the AURIGA detector

- •Resonance frequency at 500 Hz
- •Two-level isolation to further reduce noise





Cooling cavity



Linear Paul trap







New system



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