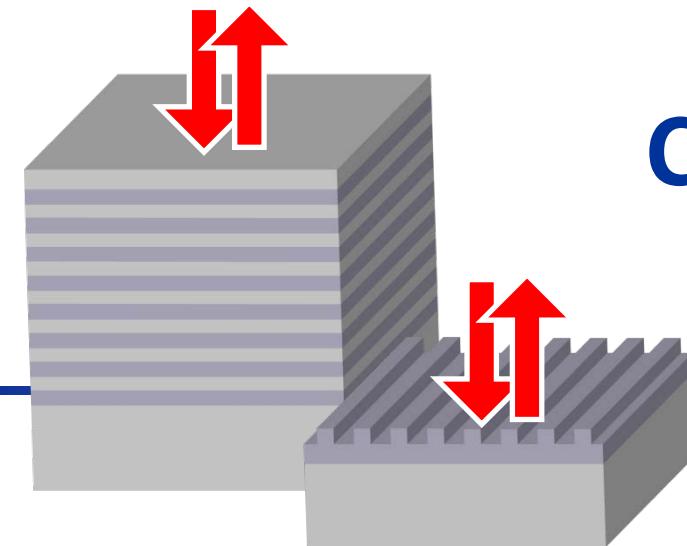
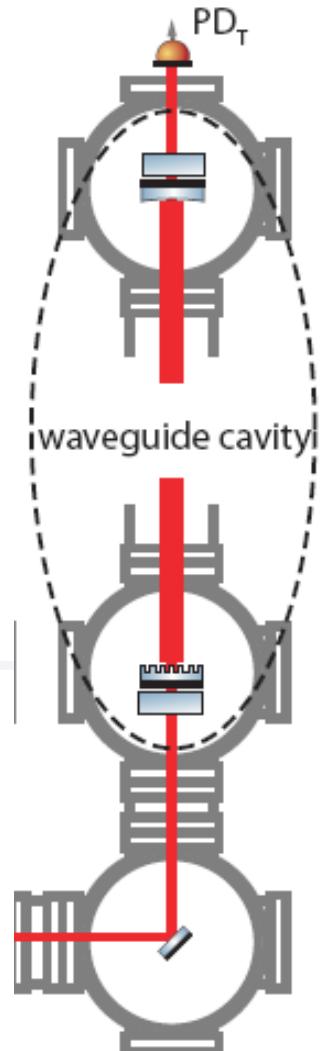


Waveguide Gratings as Cavity Mirrors



Daniel Friedrich

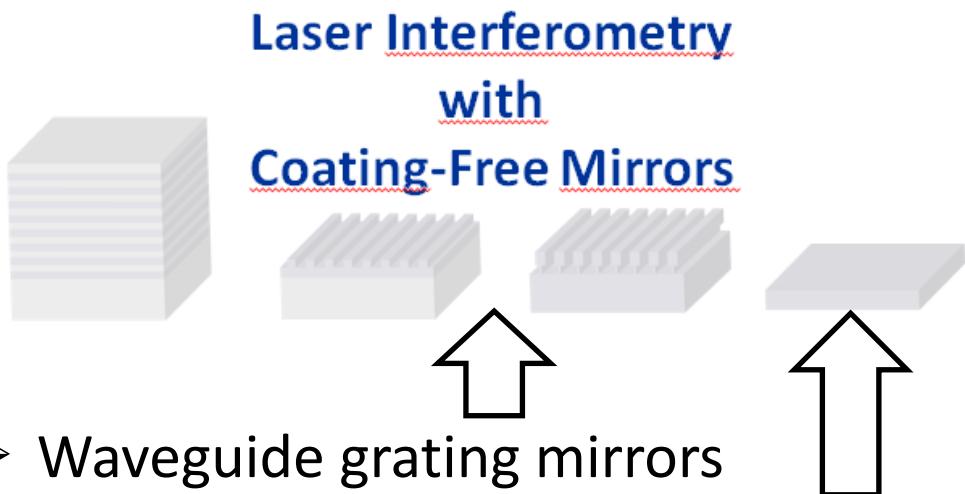
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- Since Nov. 2011:
JSPS research fellow @
with Prof. Kawamura
- Nov. 2011:
PhD thesis @  Albert-Einstein-Institut
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- Waveguide grating mirrors
- Opto-mechanics with thin membranes

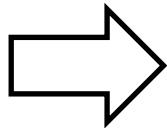
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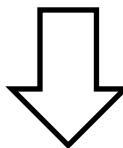


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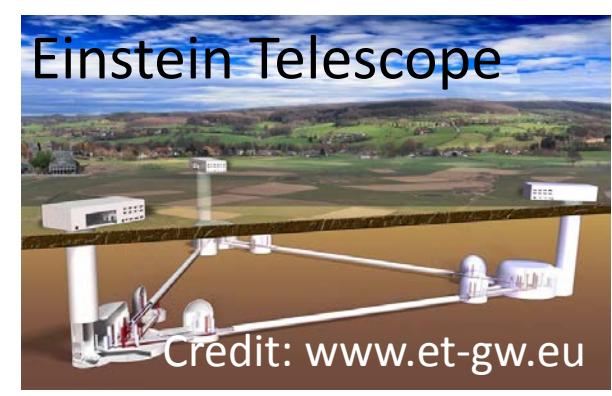


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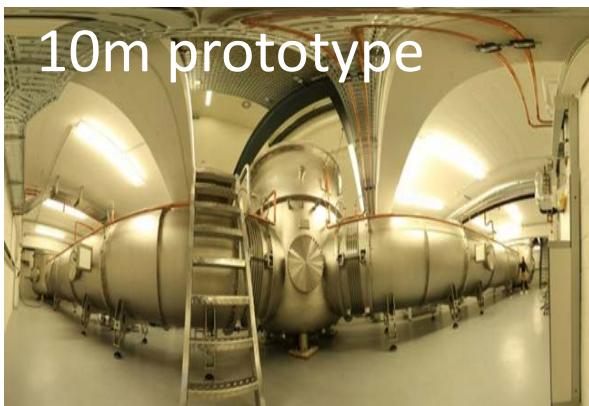
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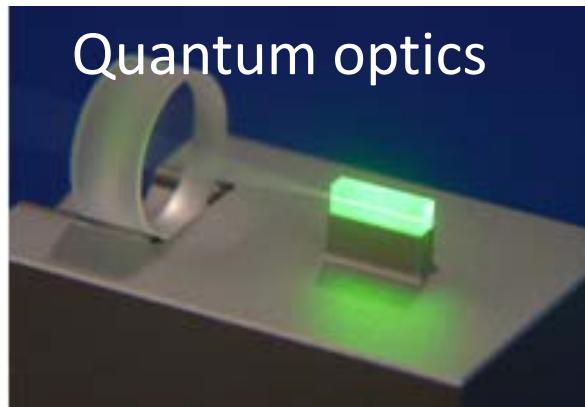


Credits: www.aei-hannover.de

10m prototype



Quantum optics



- Data analysis
- Laser development
- Optical components

- See also: www.dfg-science-tv.de/en/projects/the-wave-hunters/2009-06-09

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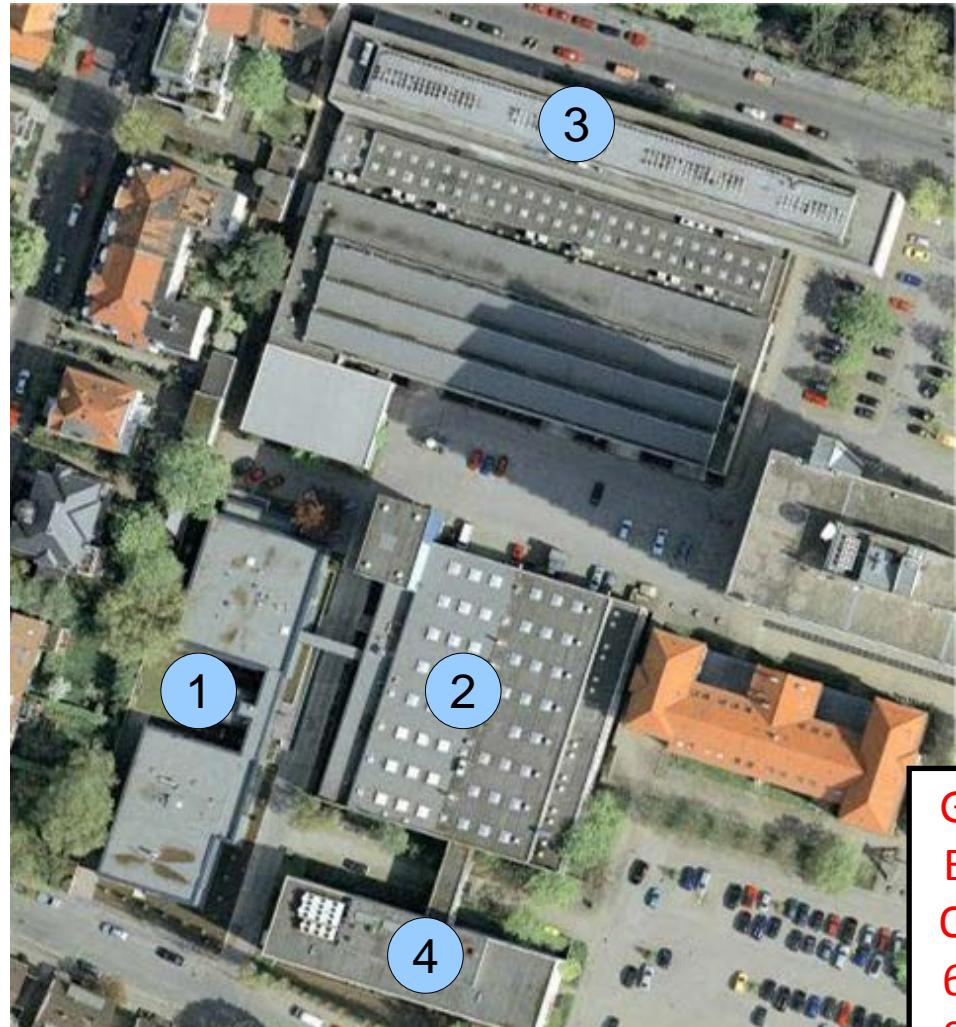


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Directors:
Prof. Danzmann
Prof. Allen

Scientific staff: ~80
PhD students: ~50
Master students: ~10

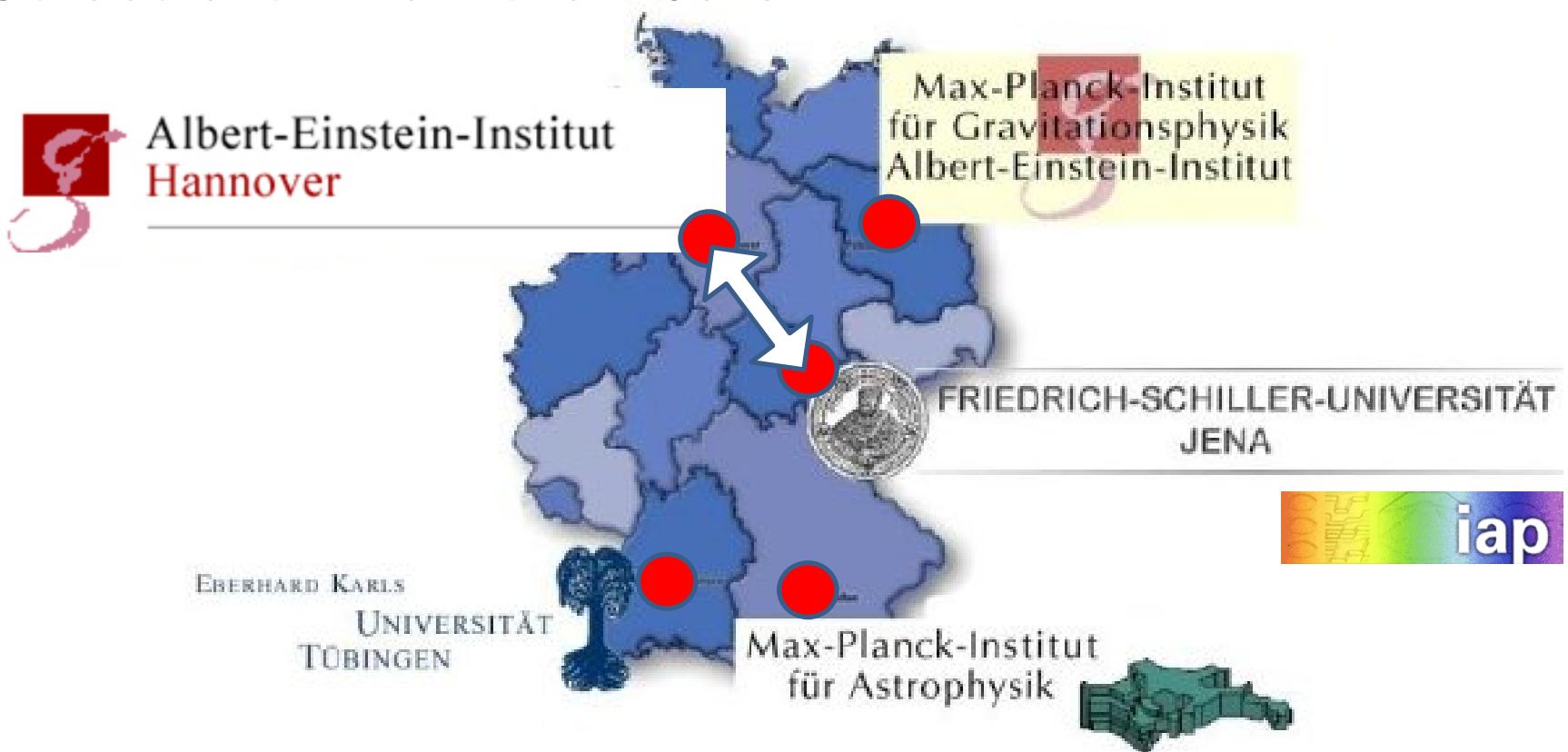


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High-Reflection Waveguide Coatings...

- Project within the SFB/TR7:
- Started in 2007
- Collaboration: Hannover - Jena

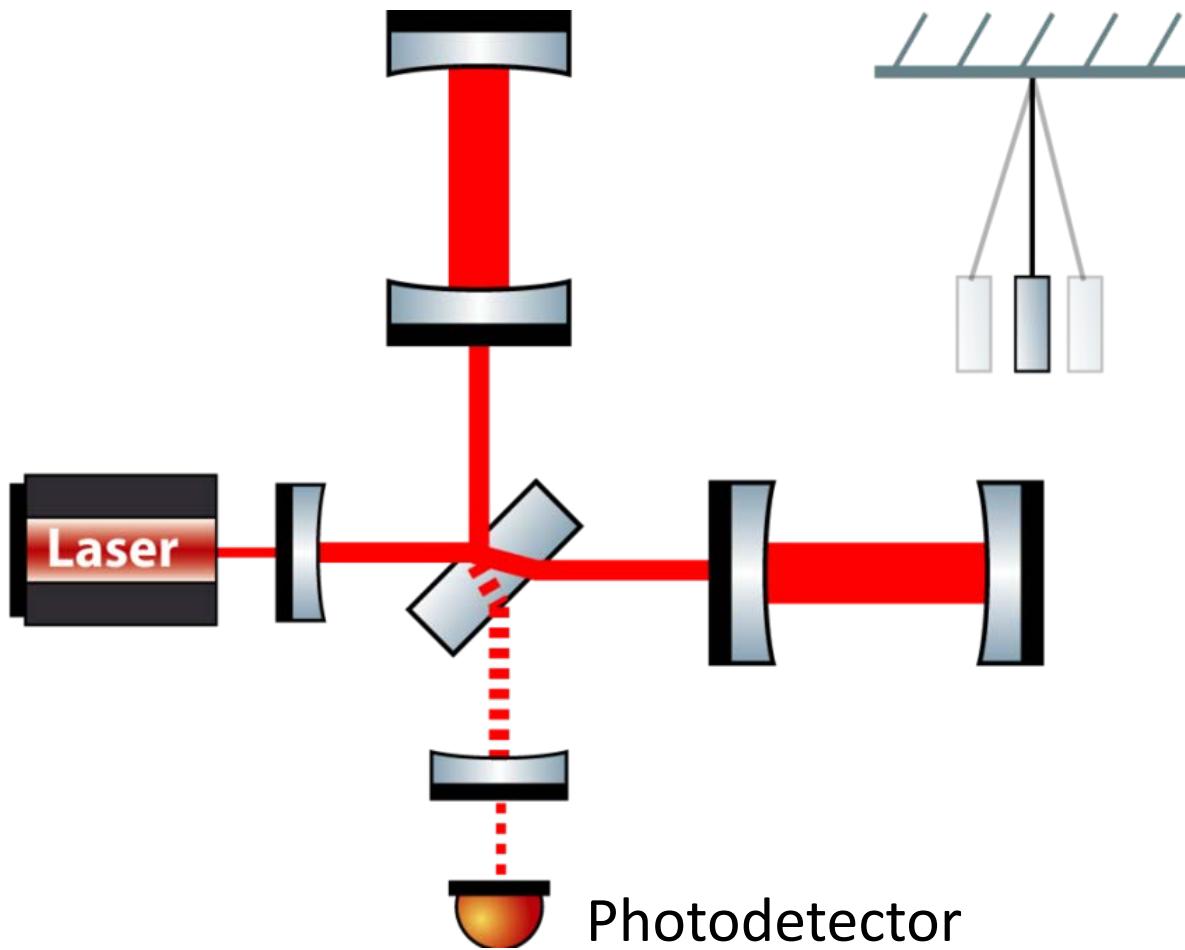
Gravitational wave astronomy
Methods – Sources - Observation



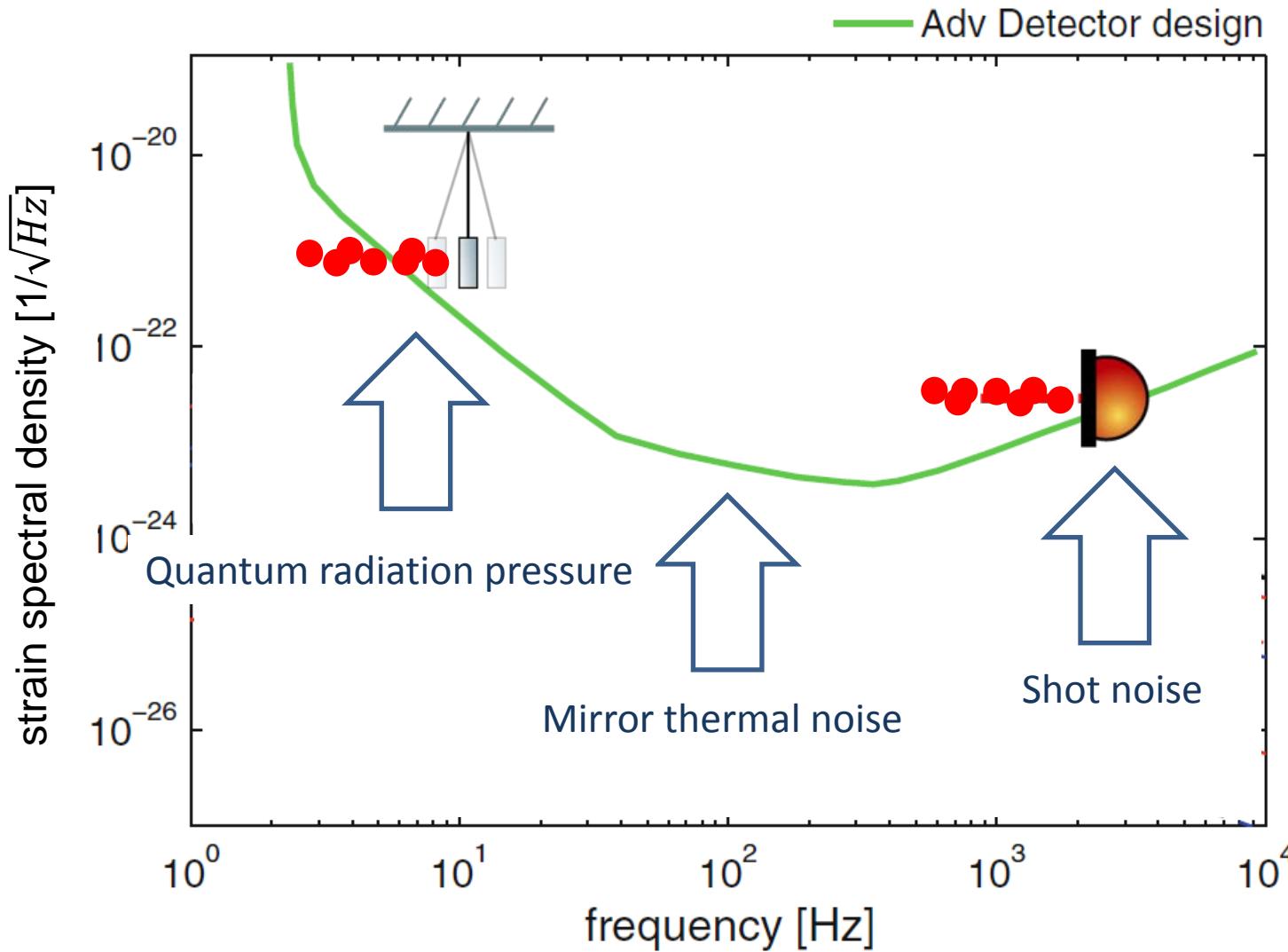
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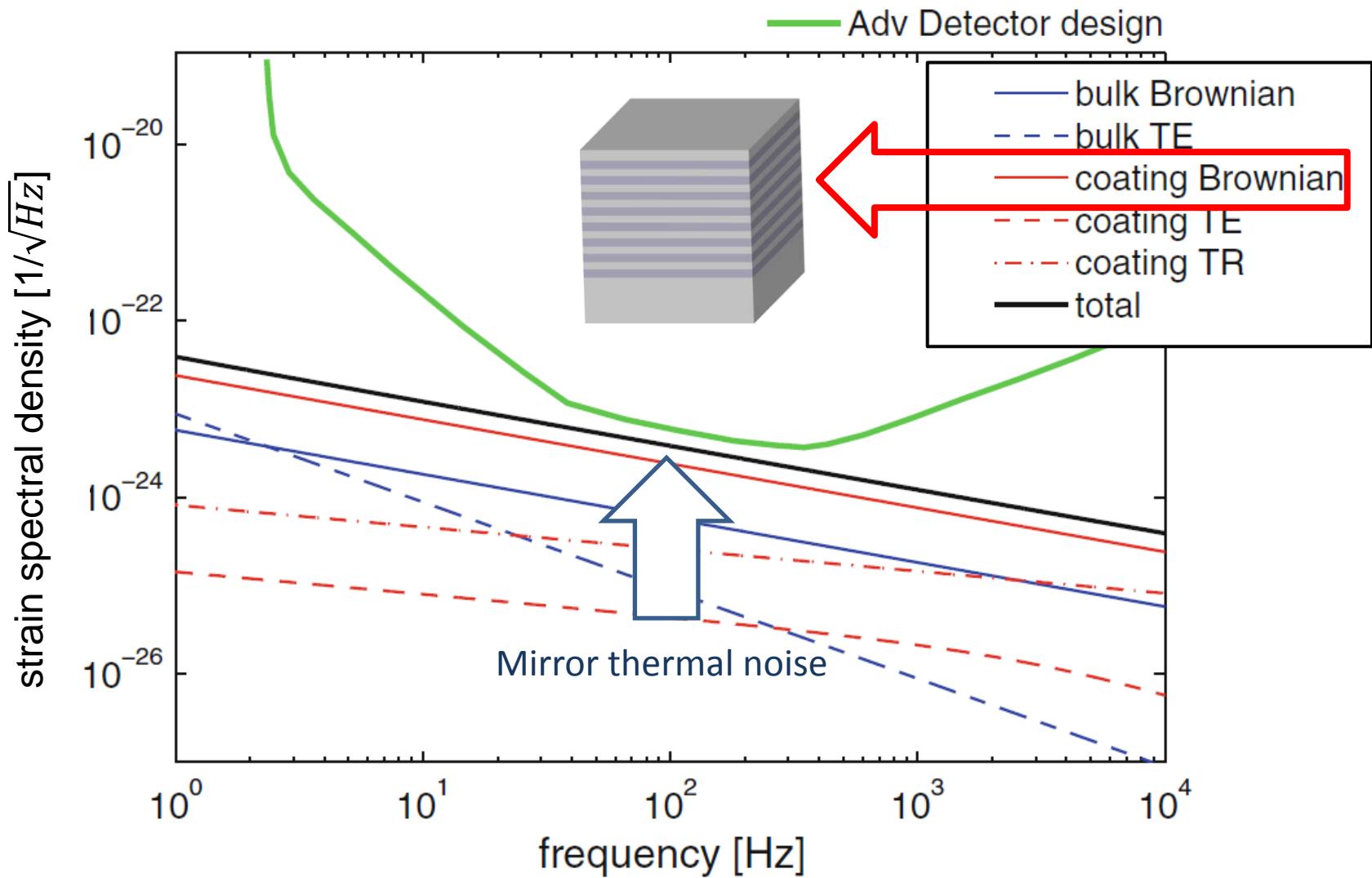
Advanced GW Detectors



3 Main Noise Sources



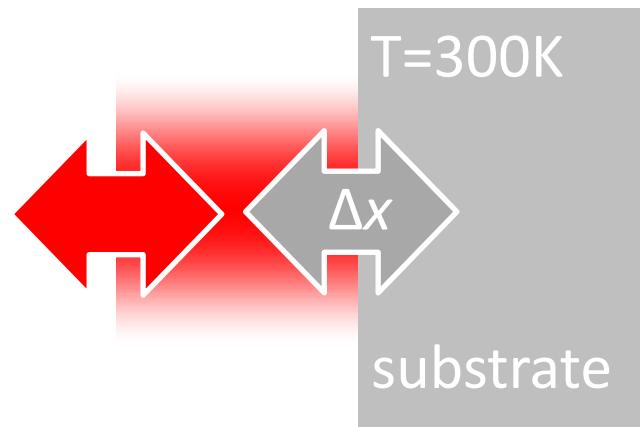
Mirror Thermal Noise



Brownian Thermal Noise

- Temperature driven eigenmotion
- Sensed by the laser beam
- Fluctuations $\Delta x \leftrightarrow$ Dissipation ϕ

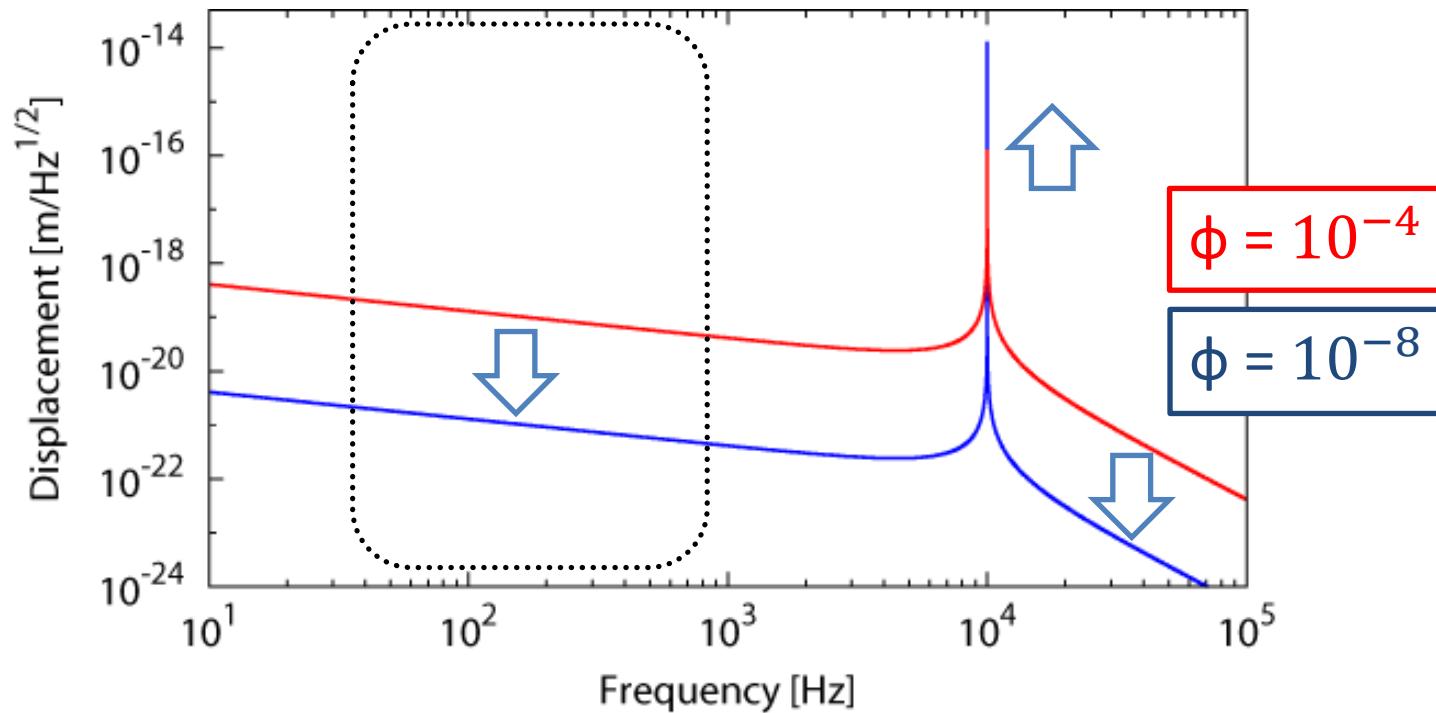
H.B. Callen and R.F. Greene, Phys. Rev. 86, 702, 1952 v



Mechanical Oscillator

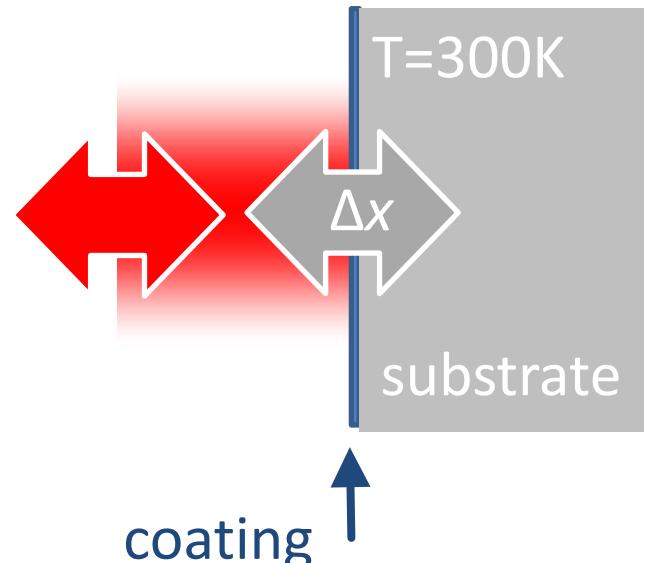
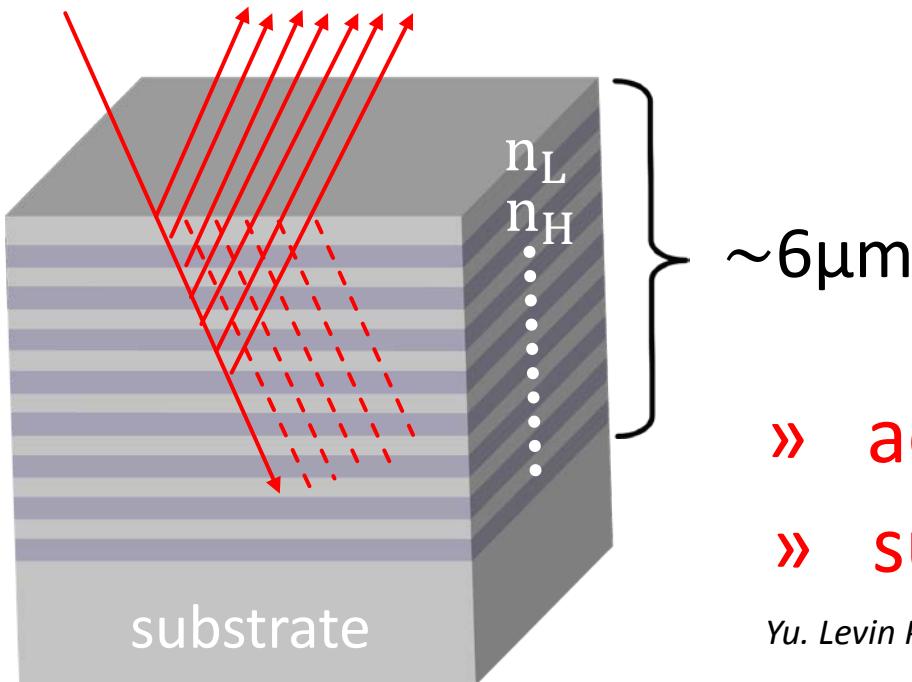
Detection band ↓

↓ Eigenfrequency



Multilayer Coatings

✓ High reflectivity



- » add mechanical loss
- » surface loss is crucial

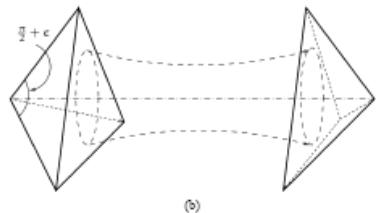
Yu. Levin Phys. Rev. D 57, 659 (1998)

How to Cope with TN

$$S_x^2 = \frac{2k_b T}{\pi^{3/2} f} \frac{1}{Y r_0} \left[\underbrace{\phi_{\text{sub}}}_{\text{substrate}} + \underbrace{\frac{h}{\sqrt{\pi r_0}} \left(\frac{Y'}{Y} \phi_{||} + \frac{Y}{Y'} \phi_{\perp} \right)}_{\text{coating}} \right]$$

- Material research
- Cryogenic Temperature T
- Larger beam radii r_0
- Reduction of coating thickness h

Coating Reduced/Free Concepts



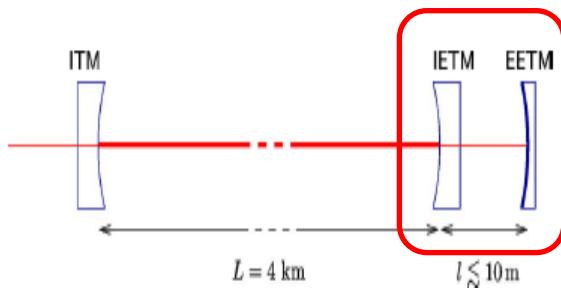
- Corner reflectors

*V.B. Braginsky et al. Phys . Lett. A **324**, 345 (2004)*



- Coating free retroreflector

*S. Goßler et al. Phys Rev A **76**, 053810 (2007)*



- Anti-resonant cavities

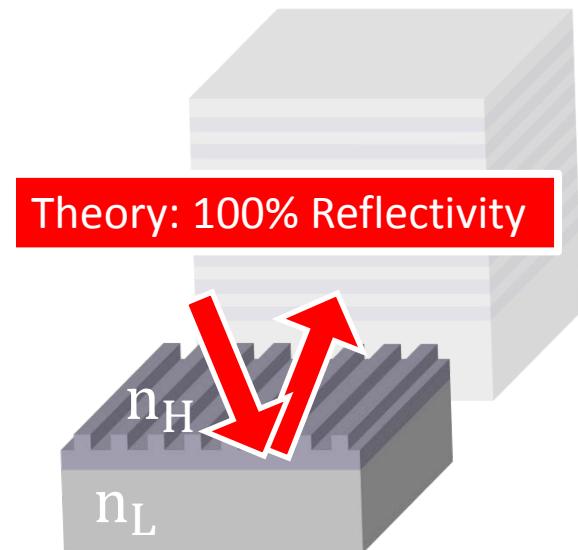
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Waveguide Gratings (WGGs)

- Structured surfaces
- Indices of refraction ($n_H > n_L$)



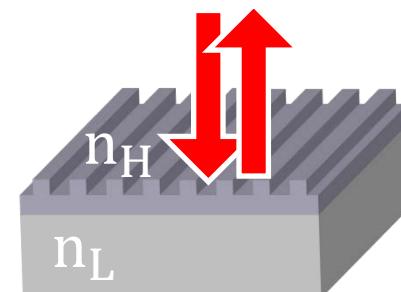
- Resonant excitation of light

A. Hessel et al. Appl. Opt. 4, 1275 (1965)

- 98.5% demonstrated @ 1550nm

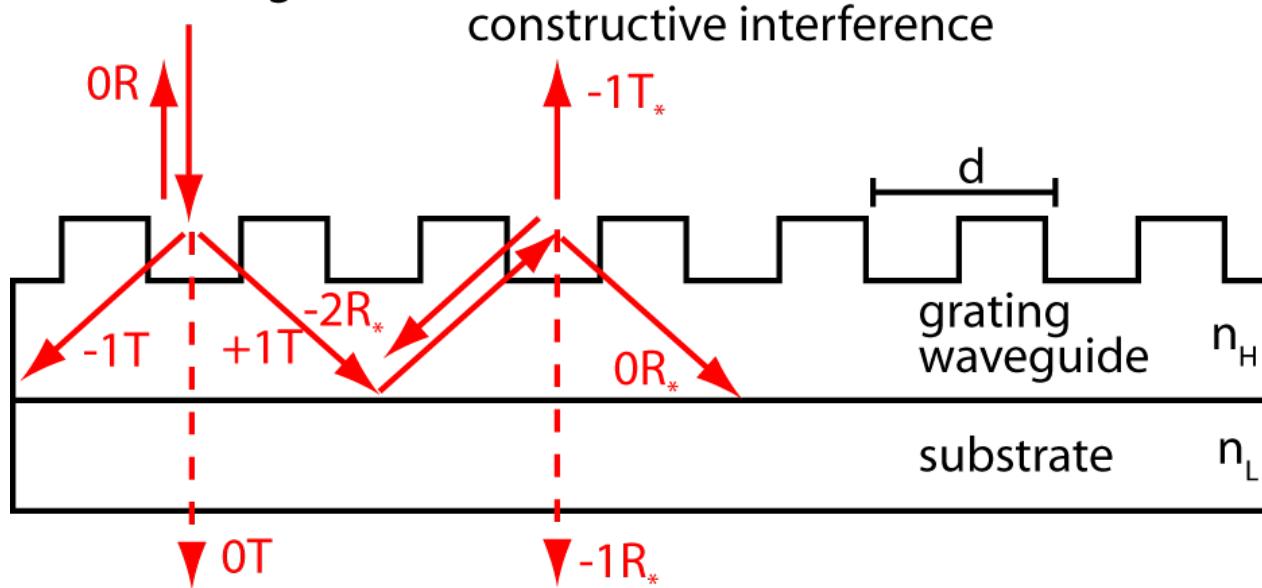
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Normal incidence

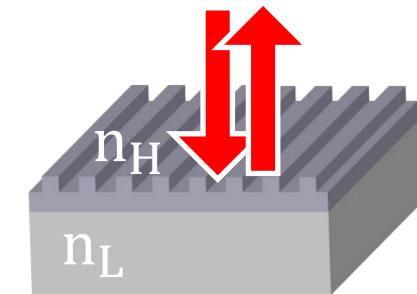


Ray Picture

incident light



Normal incidence

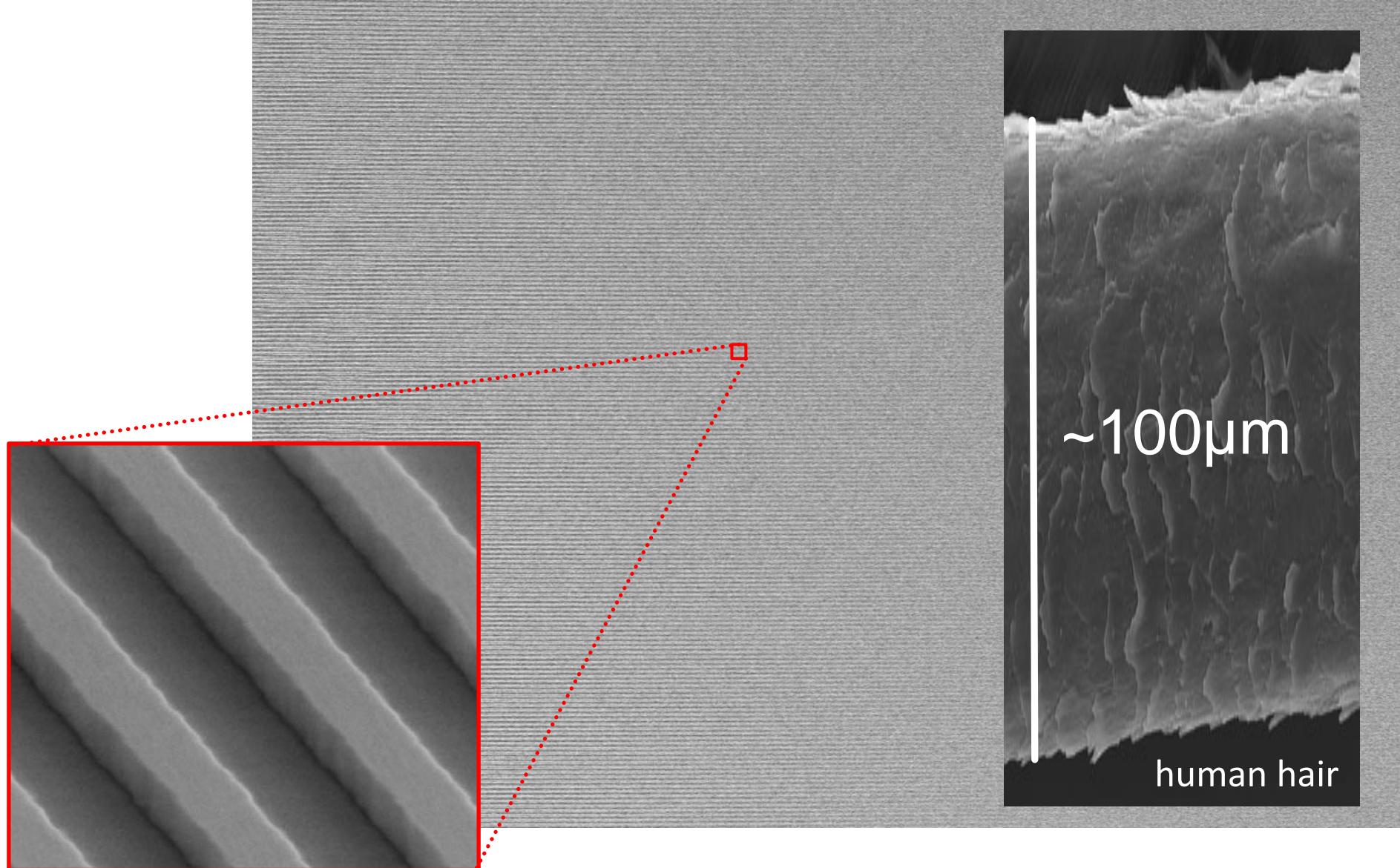


- Existence and direction of diffraction orders m

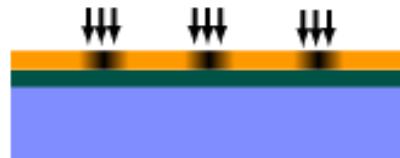
$$n_b \sin(\beta_m) = n_a \sin(\alpha) + \frac{m\lambda}{d}$$

- Restrict diffraction orders
- | | |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Only 0th order in air | $d \leq \lambda$ |
| ± 1 st orders in waveguide | $\lambda/n_H \leq d \leq 2\lambda/n_H$ |
| Only 0th order in substrate | $d \leq \lambda/n_L$ |

Subwavelength Structures



Grating Fabrication



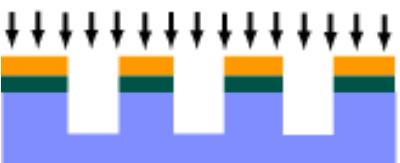
① Electron-beam-lithography



② Resist-removal



③ Etching of the mask



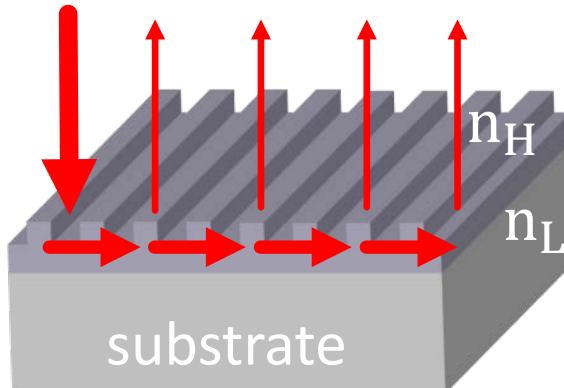
④ Anisotropic etching



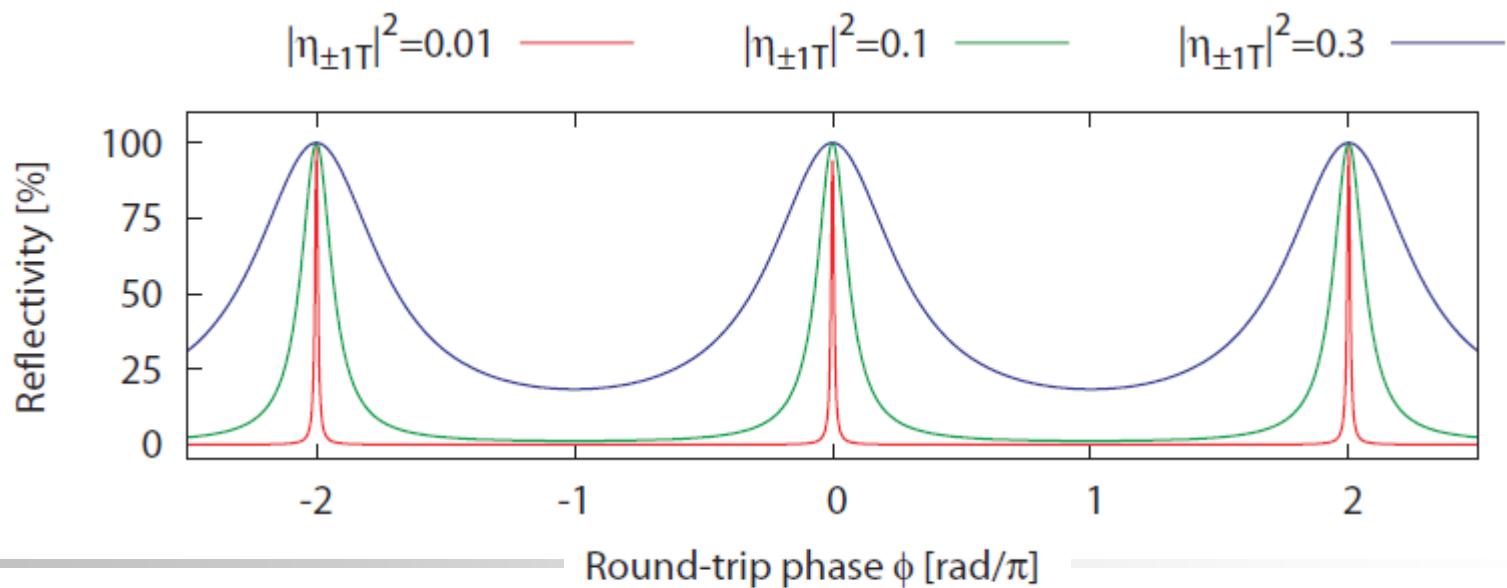
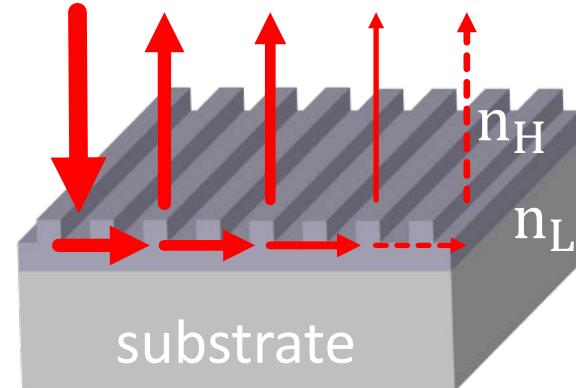
⑤ Cleaning

Resonant Excitation

- Small coupling
→ Long storage time



- Strong coupling
→ Short storage time

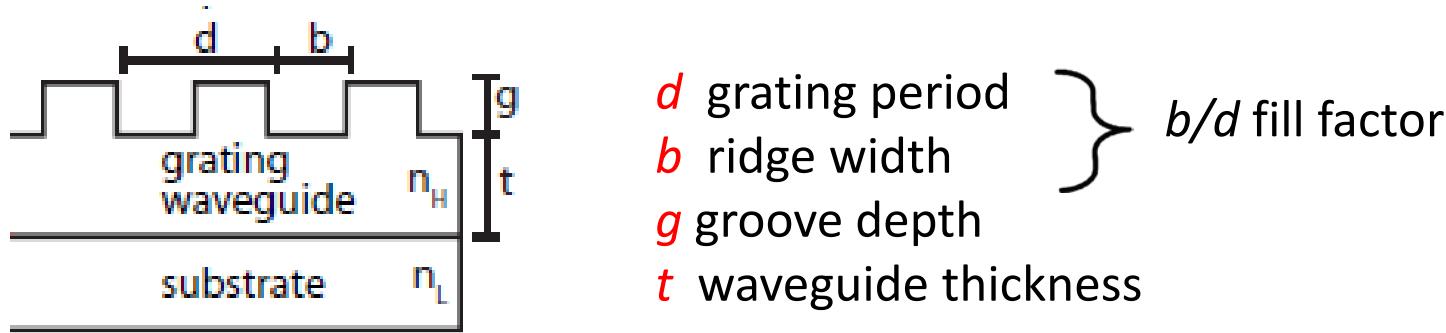


Grating Design

- Rigorous coupled wave analysis (RCWA)

M.G. Moharam et al. J. Opt. Soc. Am. 71 (1981)

- For given wavelength, materials and polarization



- Numerical implementation: e.g. UNIGIT

www.unigit.com

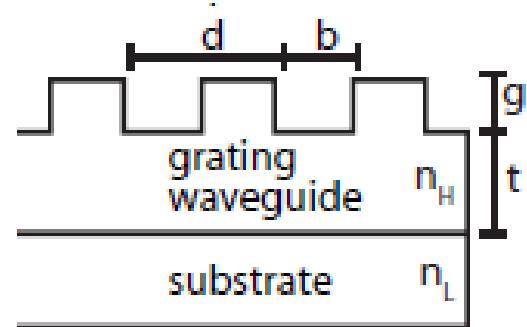


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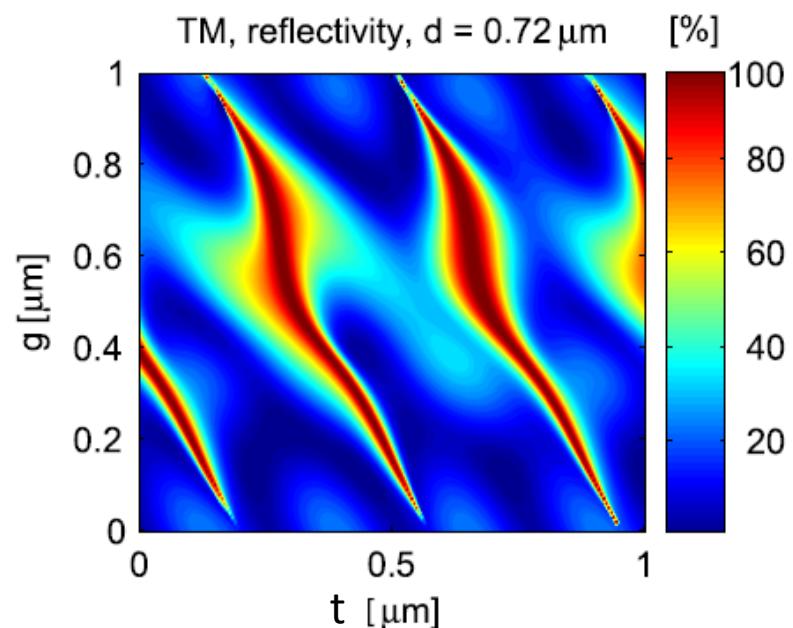
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WGGs for GW Detectors

- Proposed as low thermal noise mirror
- Based on 1st generation materials

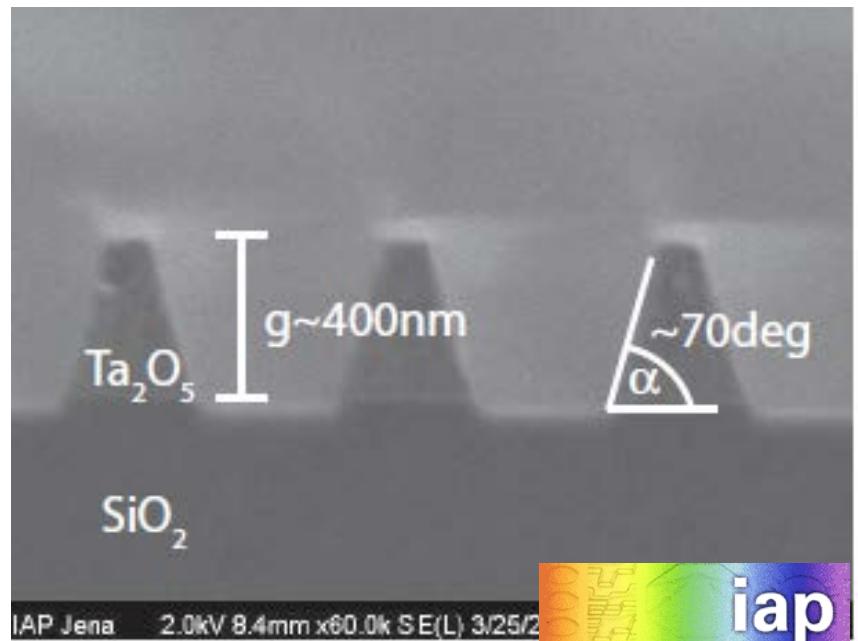
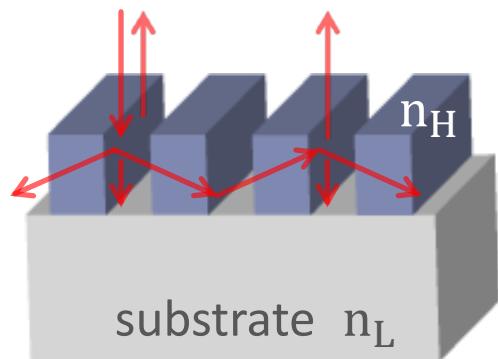


- ✓ 1064nm laser wavelength
- ✓ Ta_2O_5 grating ($n_H=2.04$)
- ✓ SiO_2 substrate ($n_L=1.45$)



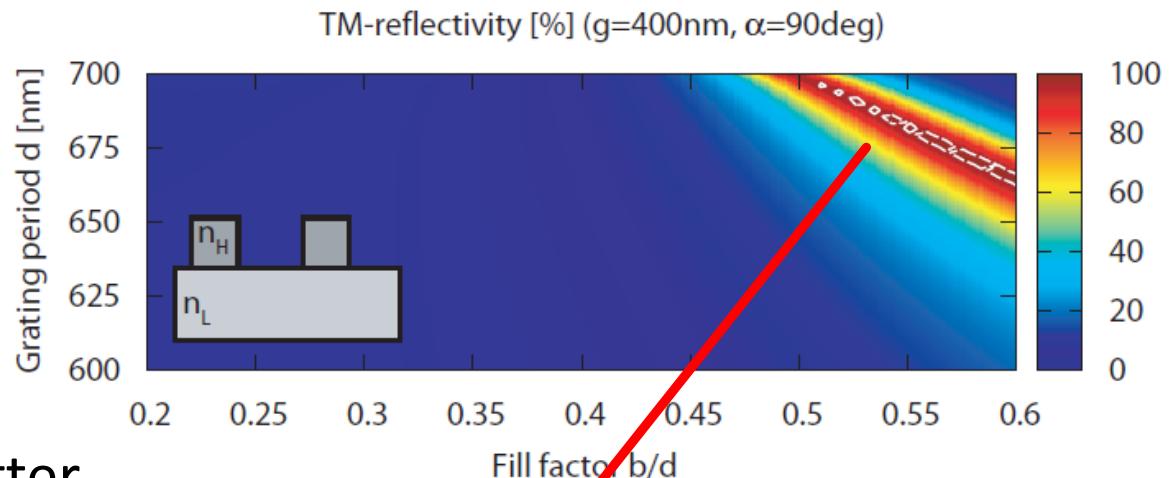
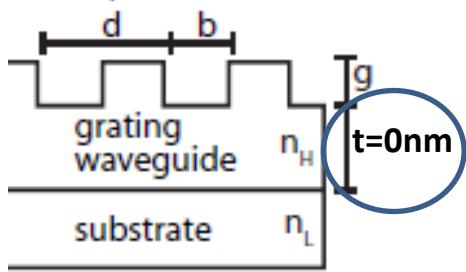
High reflectivity grating waveguide coatings for 1064nm
A. Bunkowski, ..., DF et al. CQG **23**, 7297 (2006)

WGG @ 1064nm

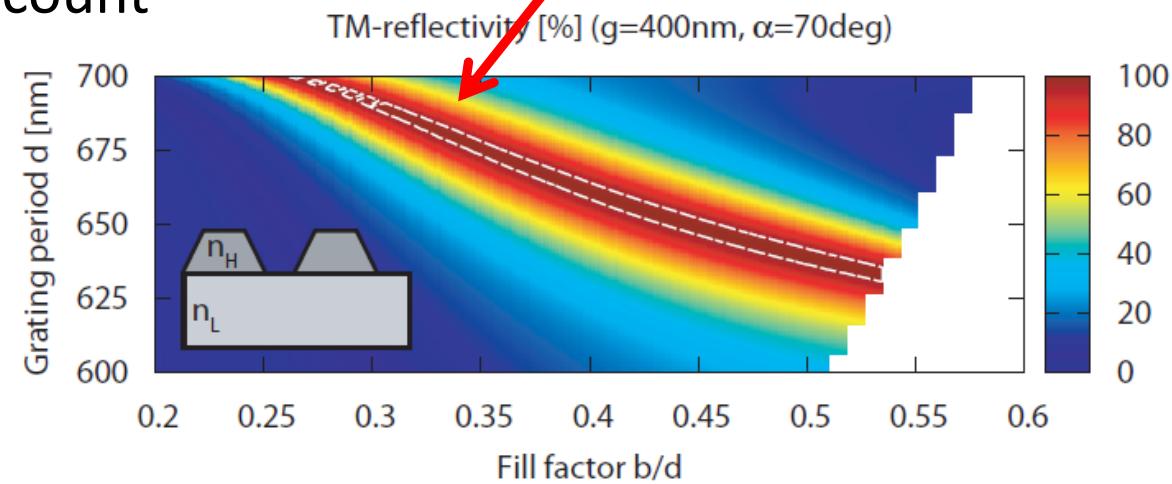
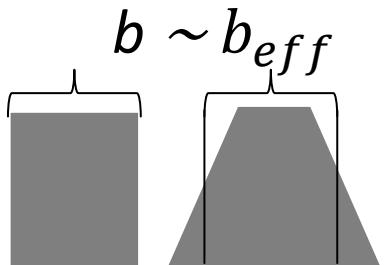


- Concept
- Realization

Trapezoidal Structures - Design

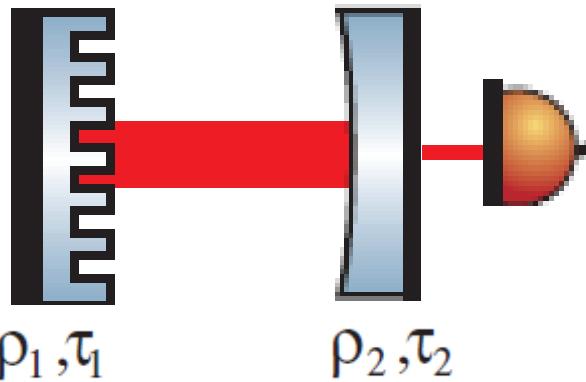


- Effective parameter matter
- Design takes this into account



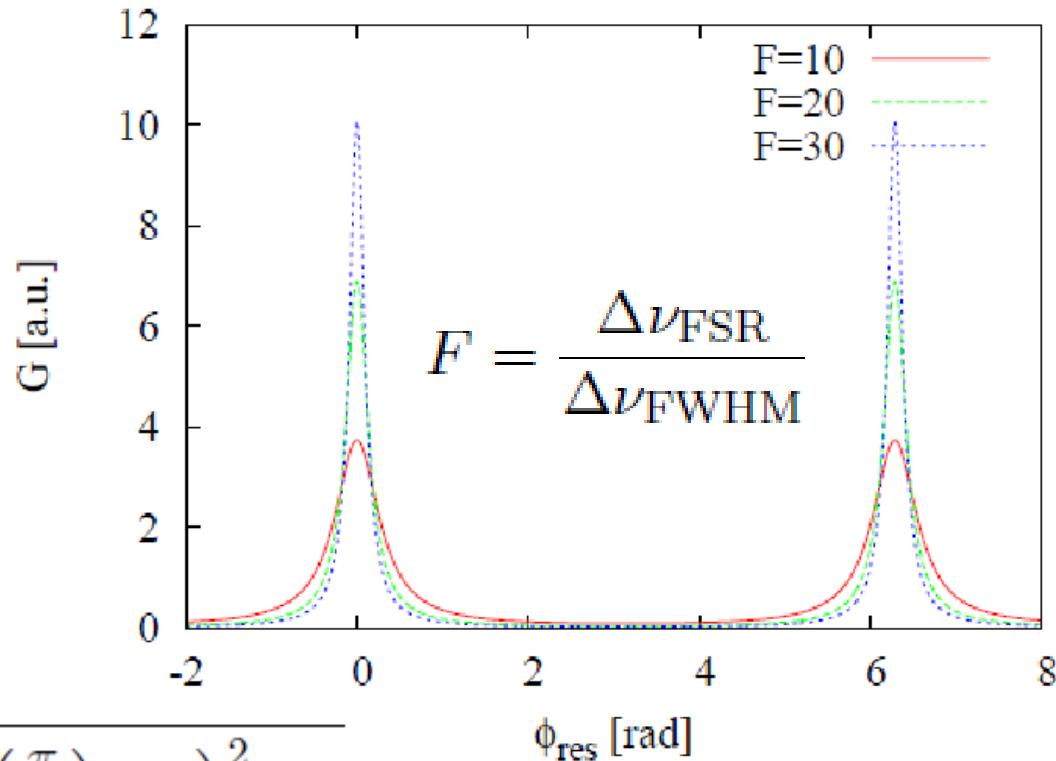
WGG as Cavity Mirror

- Finesse F measurement
 - Determine reflectivity under well defined conditions
 - Normal incidence, cavity eigenmode, ...

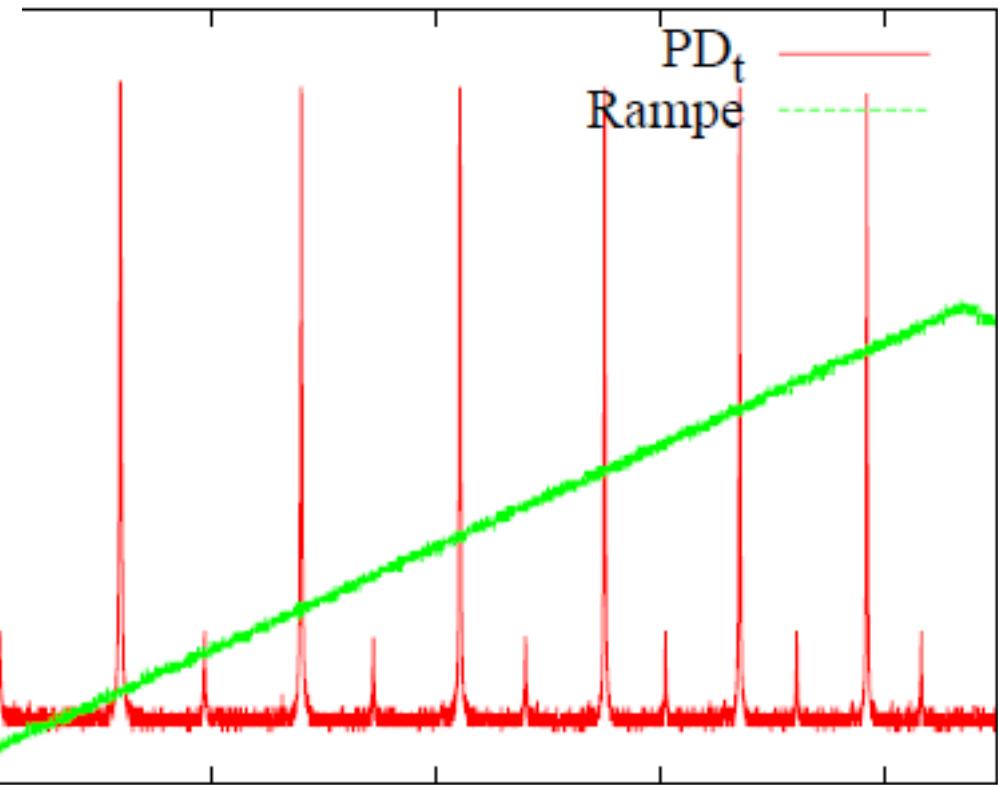
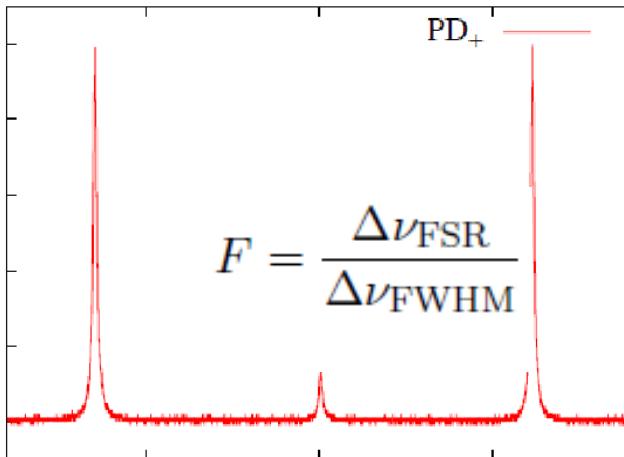


$$F = \frac{\pi}{\arccos \left(1 - \frac{(1 - \rho_1 \rho_2)^2}{2 \rho_1 \rho_2} \right)}$$

$$\rho_1 \rho_2 = 2 - \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{F} \right) - \sqrt{\left(\cos \left(\frac{\pi}{F} \right) - 2 \right)^2 - 1}$$



Experiment

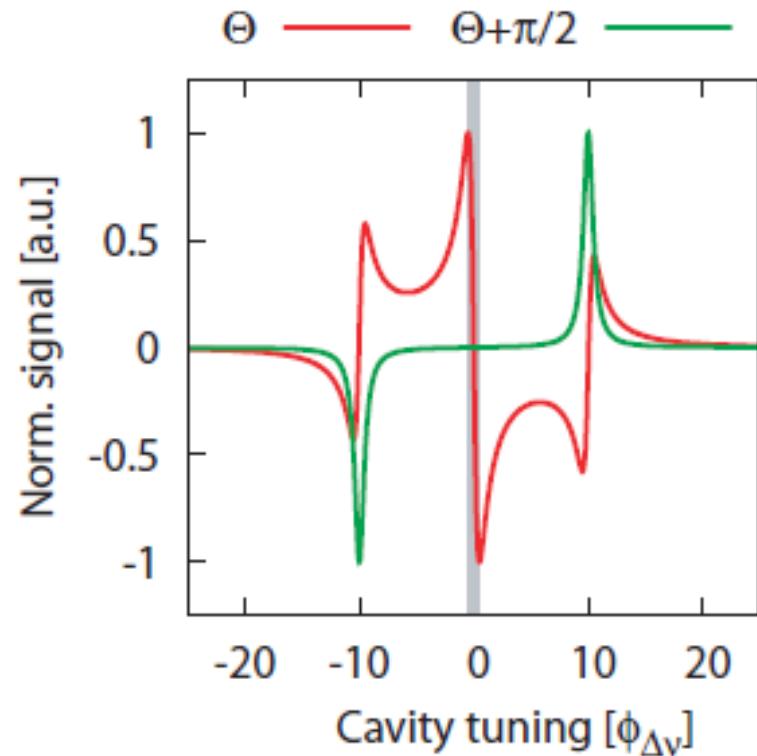
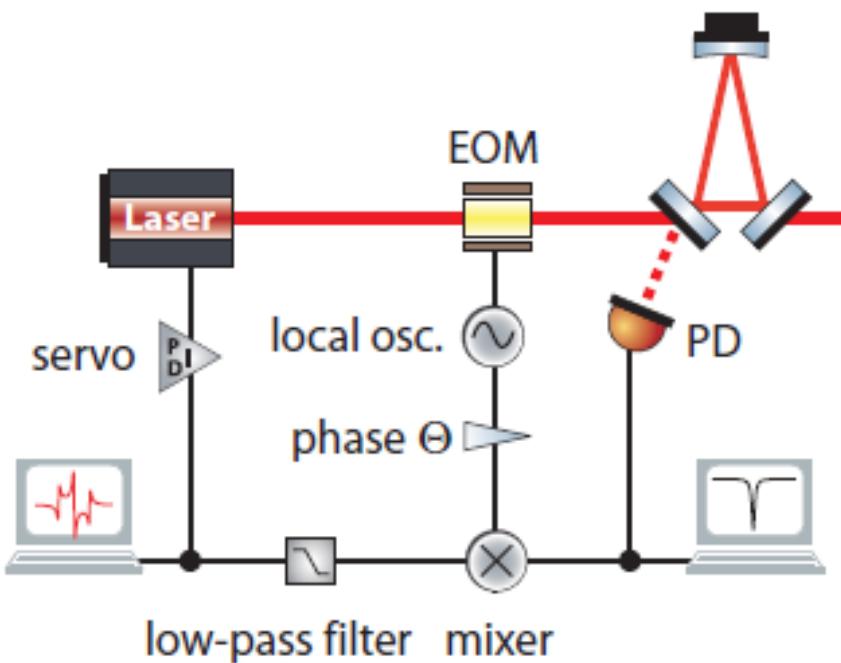


Potential problems

- Actuator range
- Non-linear actuation
- Resolution of data
- Air fluctuations
- ...

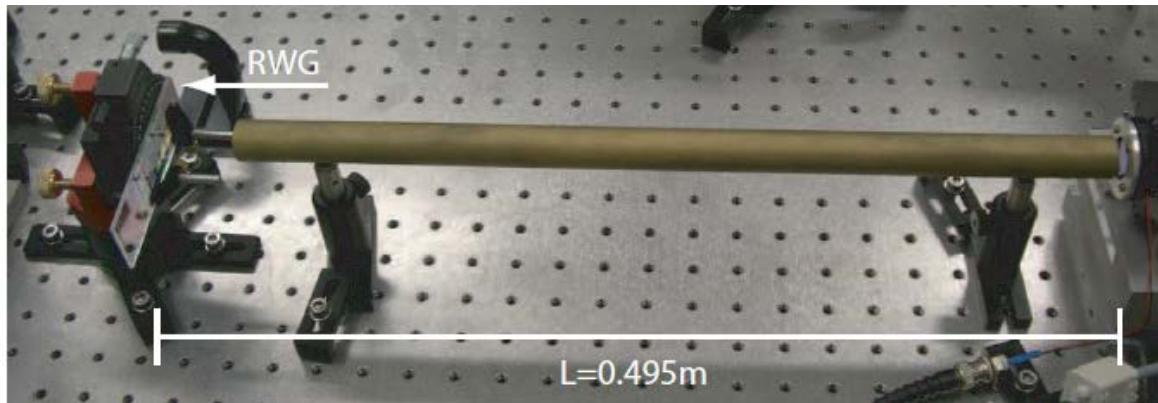
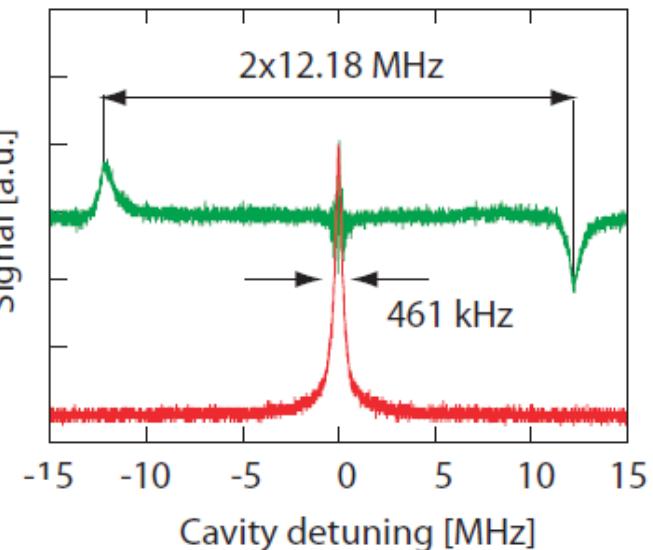
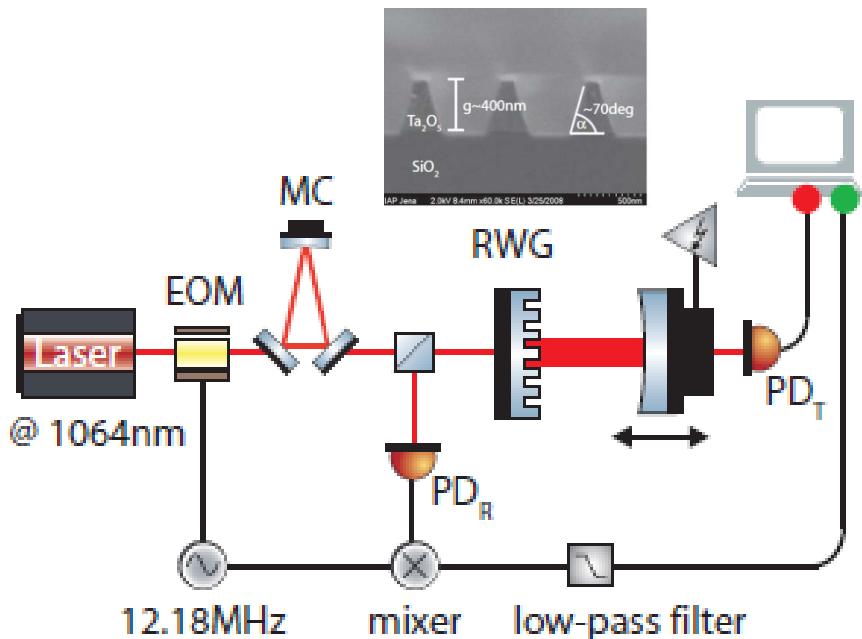
Pound-Drever-Hall Technique

- Calibrate tuning via frequency marker → bandwidth
- Cavity length measurement $\Delta\nu_{\text{FSR}} = \frac{c}{2l}$ → free spectral range



Error signal / Frequency marker

WGG as Cavity Mirror @1064nm



Finesse = $660 (\pm 30)$

R = $99.08 (\pm 0.04)\%$

T = $0.94 (\pm 0.09)\%$

optical loss $\leq 1300\text{ppm}$

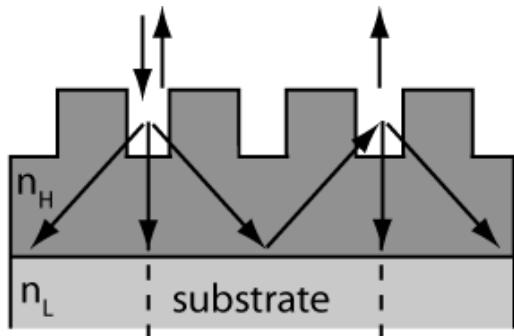
Demonstration of a cavity coupler based on a resonant waveguide grating
F. Brückner, DF et al. Opt. Express 17 (2009)

- Test compatibility with large scale experiments

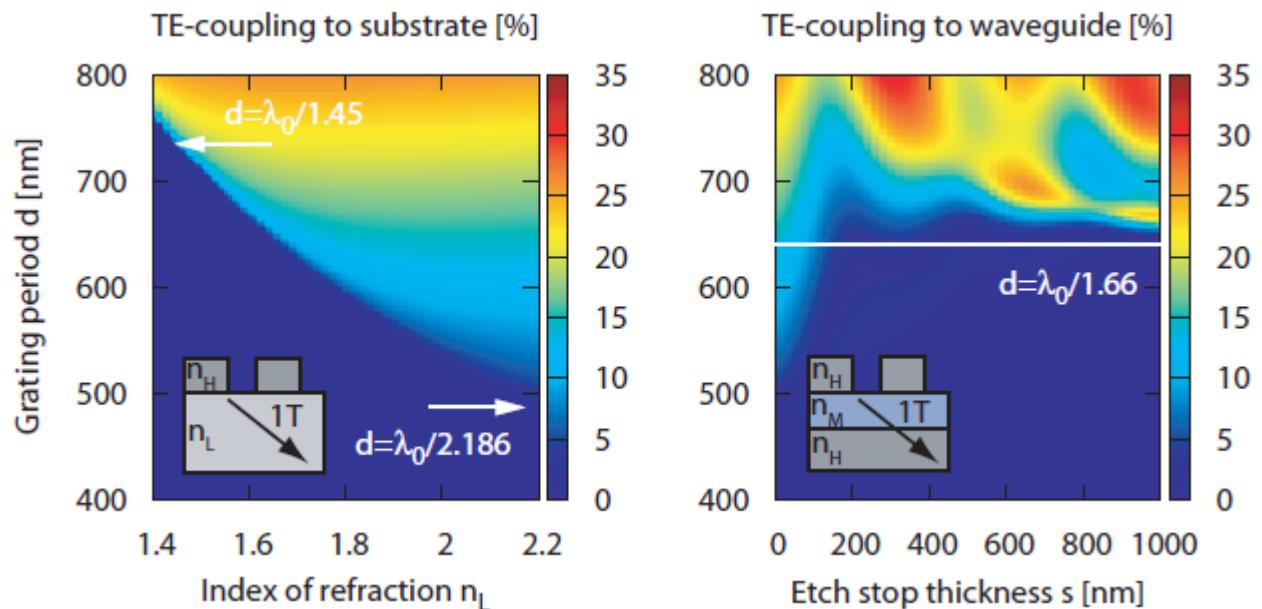
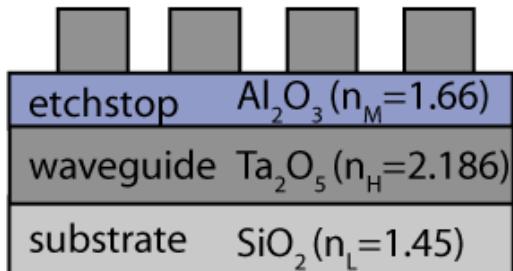


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WGG Including Etch Stop Layer



- Etch stop
→ defines grating depth / waveguide thickness
- Thin etch stop layer
→ Optical properties can be preserved



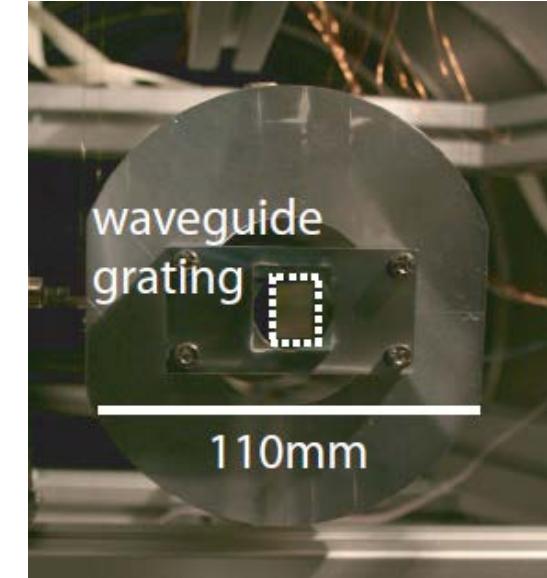
Low Noise Environment



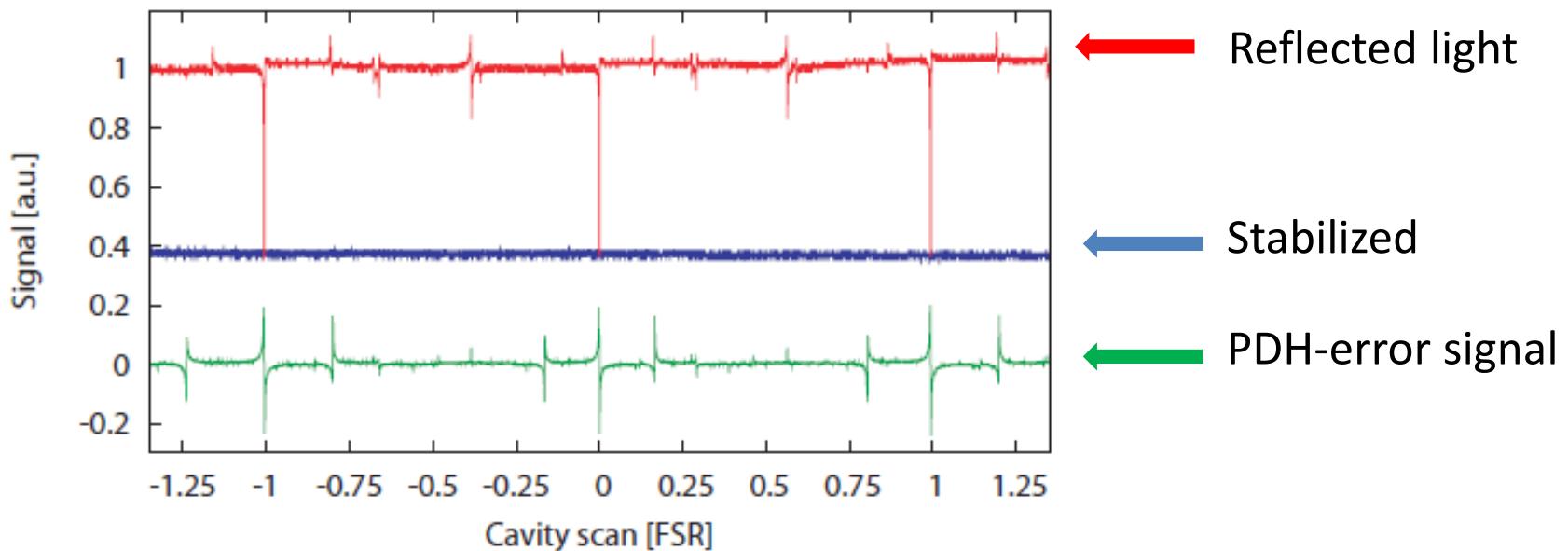
✓ Vacuum condition



✓ Suspended optics

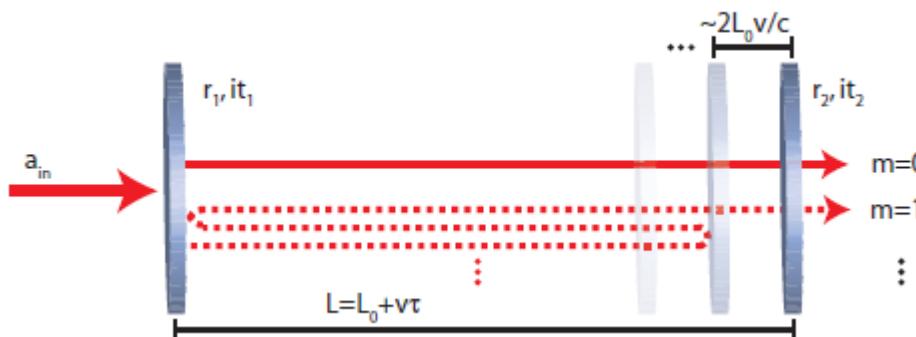


Experimental Results



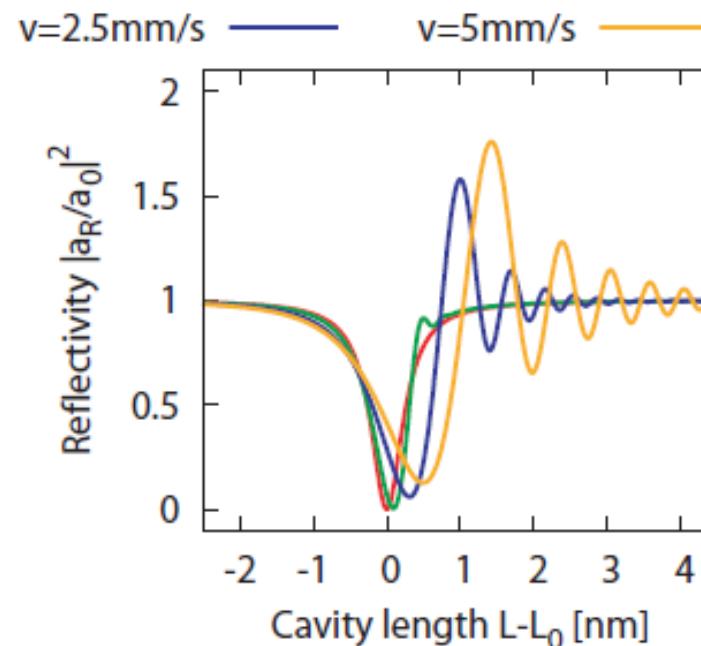
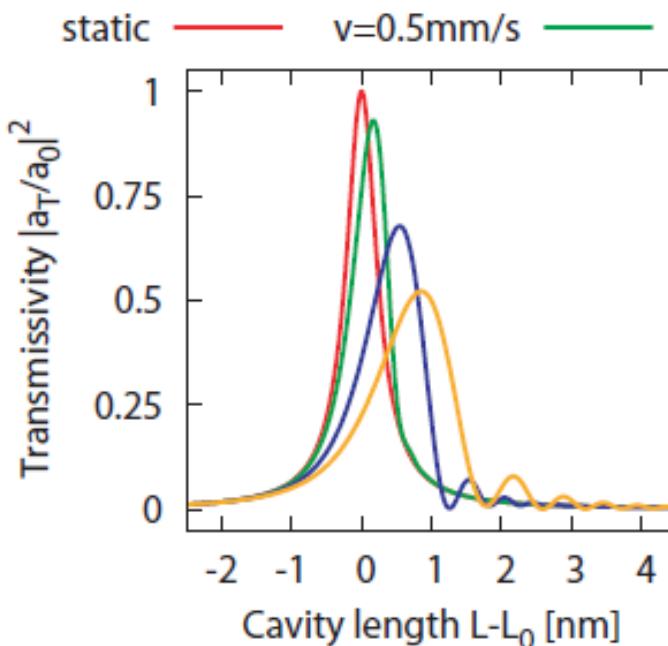
- Cavity stabilization with standard PDH-technique
- Technical feasibility was shown

Dynamical Effects (Ringing)



$$\frac{a_T}{a_{in}} = -t_1 t_2 \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (r_1 r_2)^m \exp(i\phi_m)$$

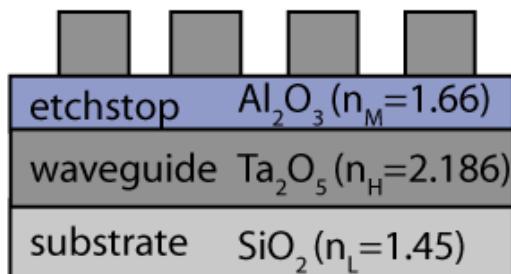
$$\phi_m \approx (2m+1)kL - m(m+1)kv \frac{2L_0}{c}$$



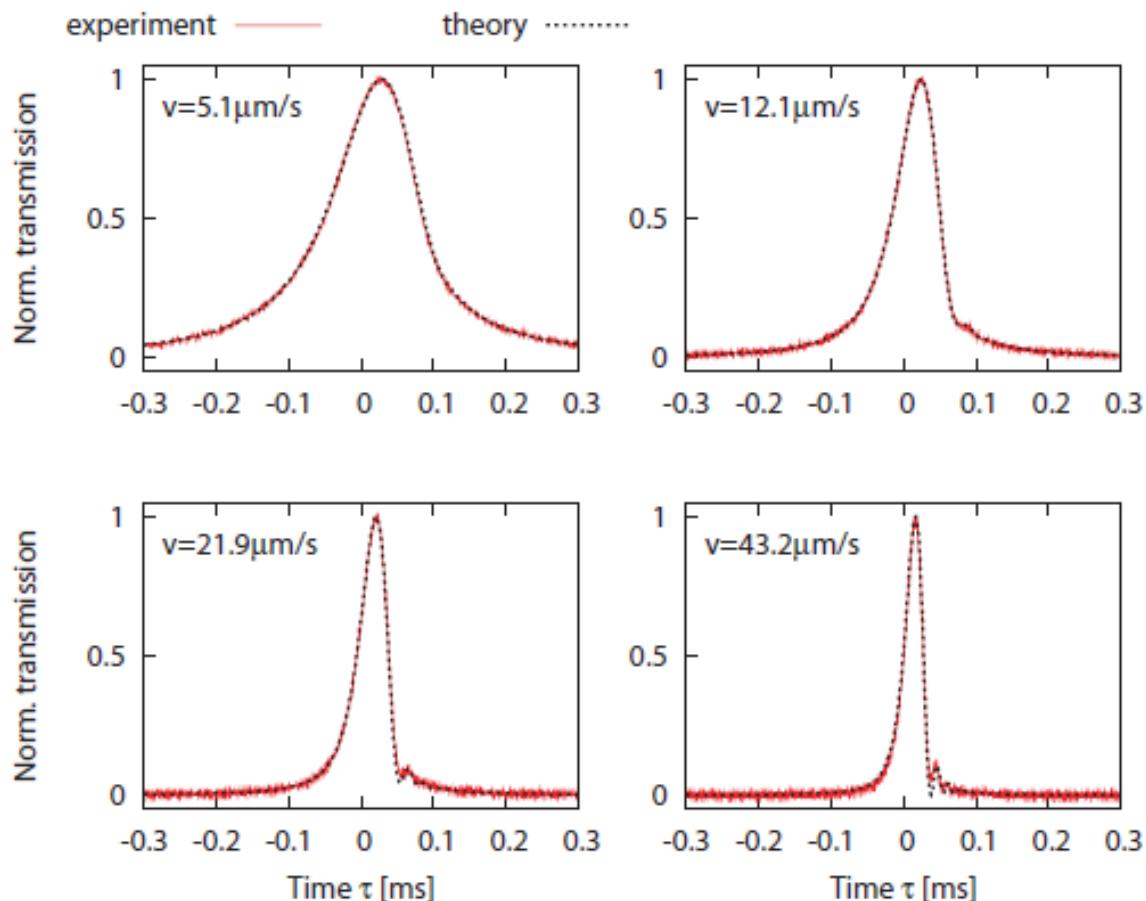
Cavity parameter: Finesse=1000, $L_0=0.1\text{m}$

Fitting Dynamical Model

$R \geq 99.2 (\pm 0.1)\%$



Finesse = 790 (± 100)



Waveguide grating mirror in a fully suspended 10 meter Fabry-Perot cavity
 DF et al. Opt. Express 19, 14955 (2011)

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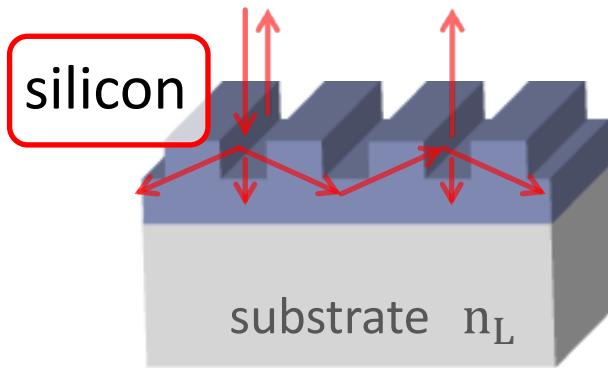
Silicon WGGs @ 1550nm

- Promising material for **3rd generation detectors**

Design study: ET-0106C-10

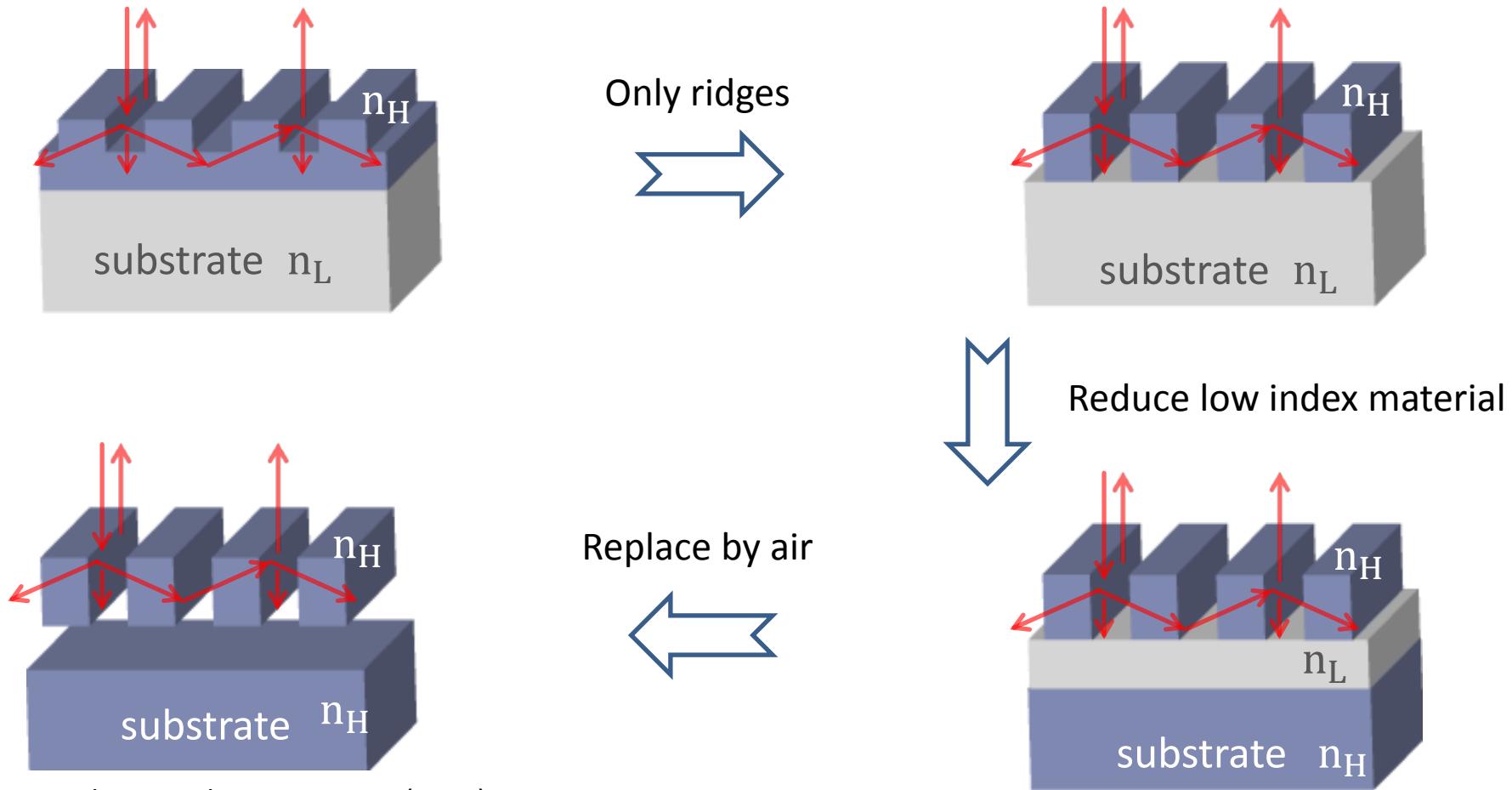
- Very well suited for **cryogenic temperatures**

- Thermoelastic noise
 ~ 0 @ $T=18$ and 125K
- Low mechanical loss
 $\Phi_{Si} \sim 10^{-9}$ @ $T=10\text{K}$



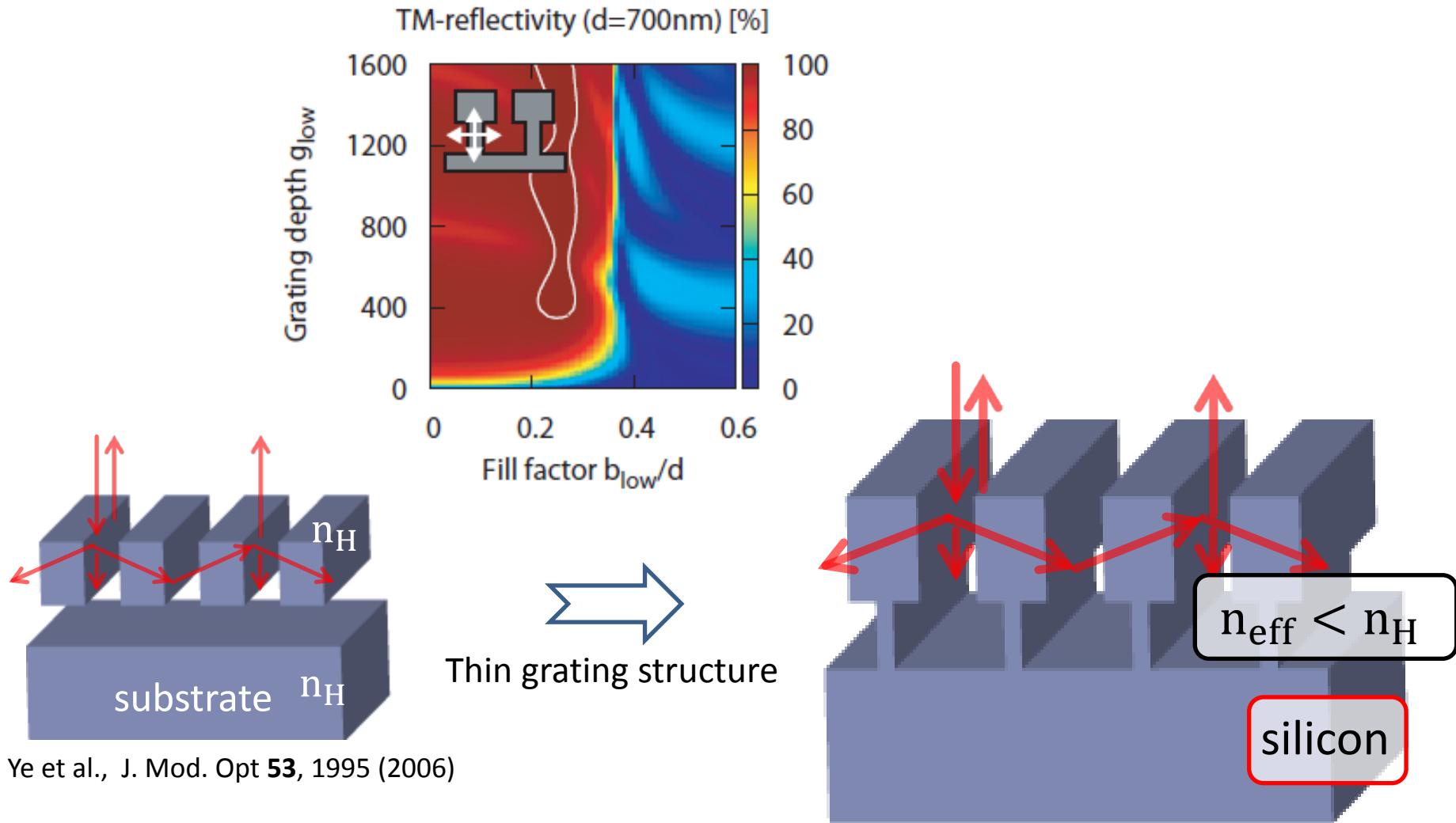
- Very well suited for **WGG**
 - $n_H = 3.5$ @ 1550nm
 - high coupling efficiencies
 - parameter tolerant WGG

Reduction of Low Index Material



J.-S. Ye et al., J. Mod. Opt 53, 1995 (2006)

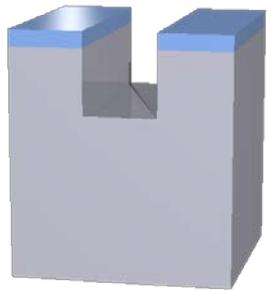
Monolithic Design



Monolithic dielectric surfaces as new low-loss light-matter interface
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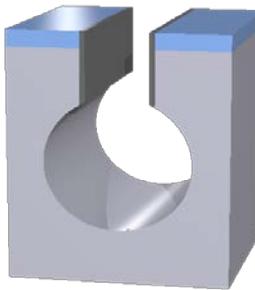
Monolithic Realization

1) Anisotropic etching

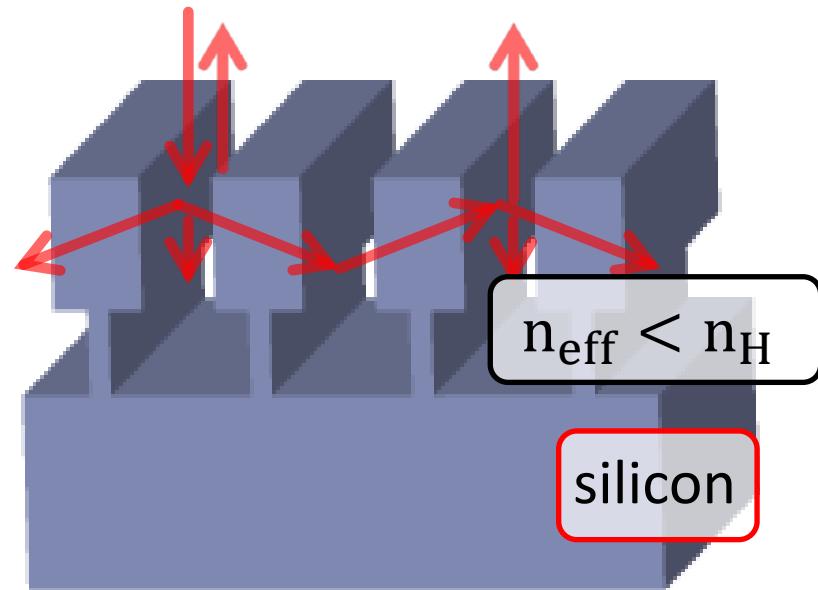
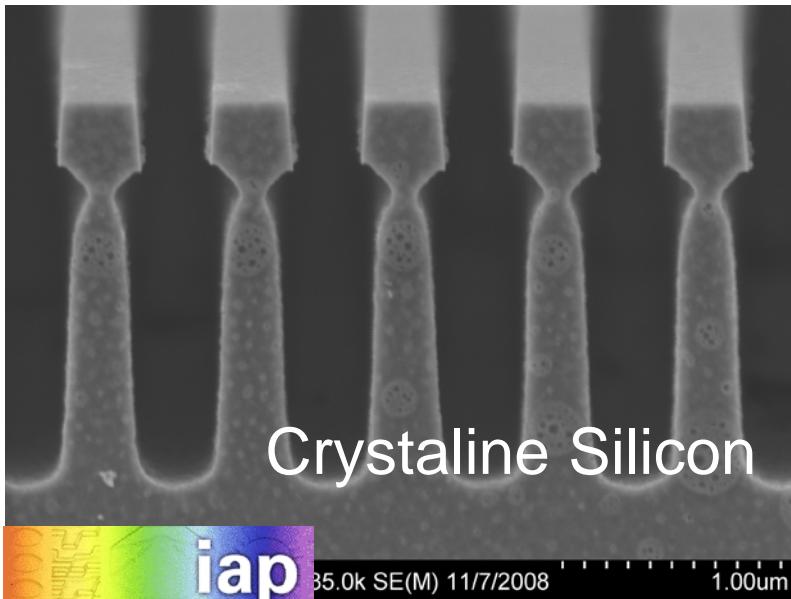


2) Isolation of sidewalls

3) Isotropic etching



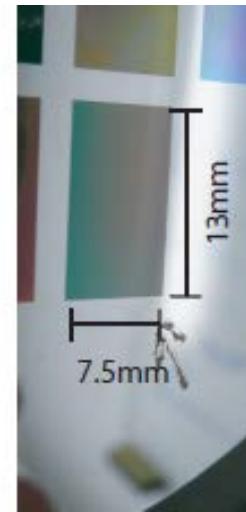
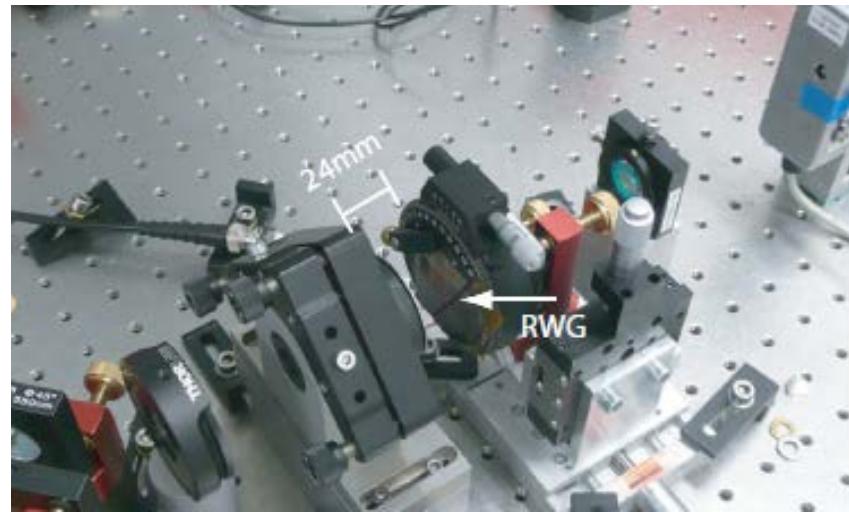
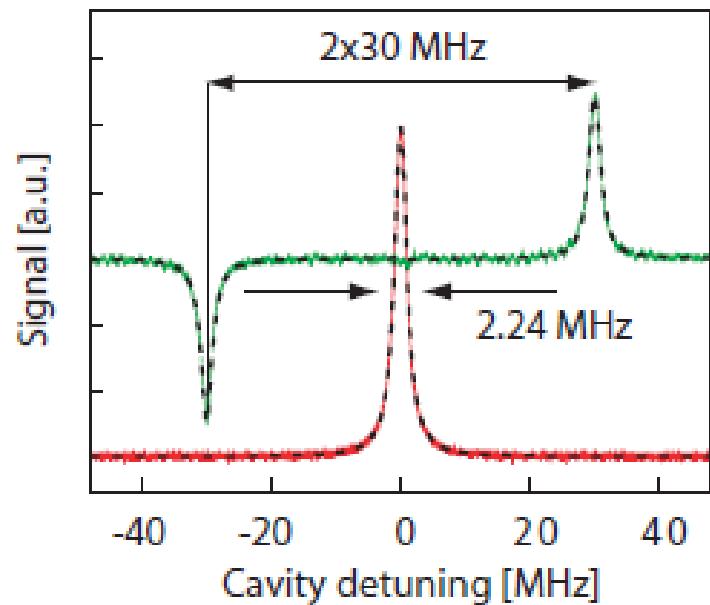
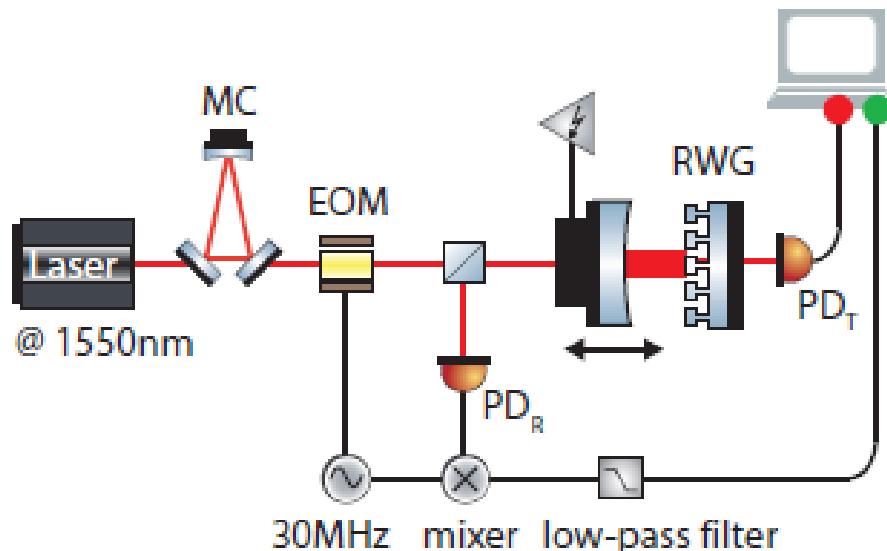
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- Realization

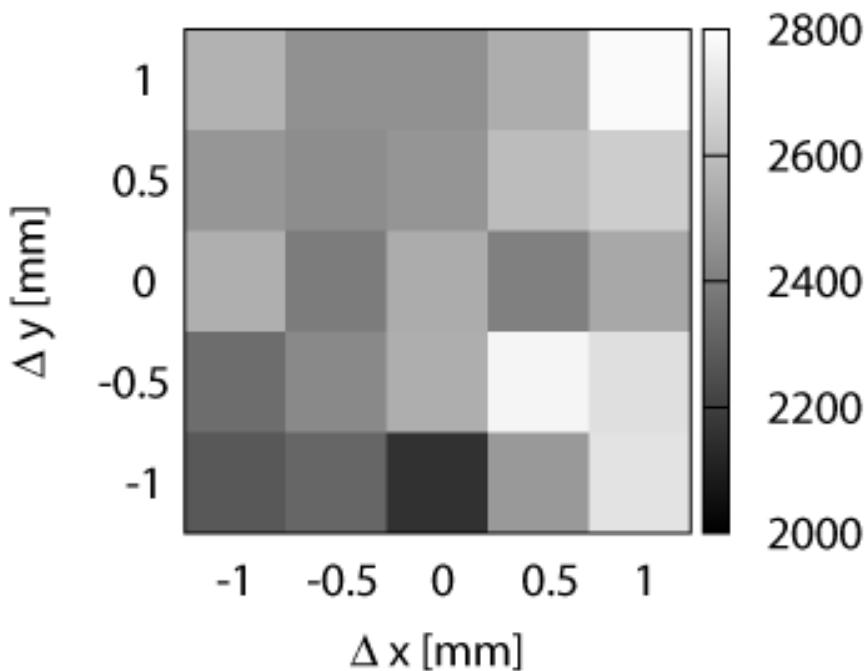
- Concept

WGG as Cavity Mirror @ 1550nm



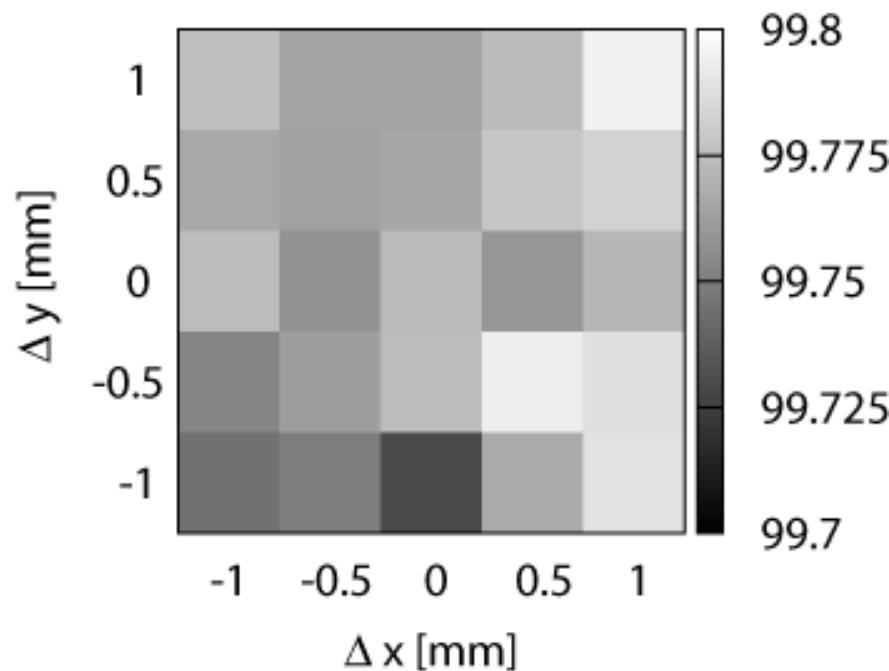
Experimental Results

Cavity finesse



Finesse 2780 (± 100)

Waveguide reflectivity [%]



$$R = 99.795 (\pm 0.009)\%$$

$$T \geq^* 0.023 (\pm 0.002)\%$$

optical loss $\leq 1800\text{ppm}$

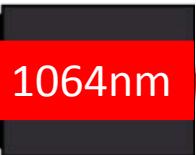
Realization of a monolithic high-reflectivity cavity mirror ...
F. Brückner, DF et al. PRL **104**, 163903 (2010)

*unpolished back side

Outline of this talk

- AEI Hannover
- Introduction
- Resonant waveguide gratings (WGG)
- WGG @ 1064nm
- WGG @ 1550nm
- Summary

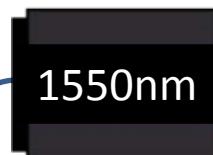
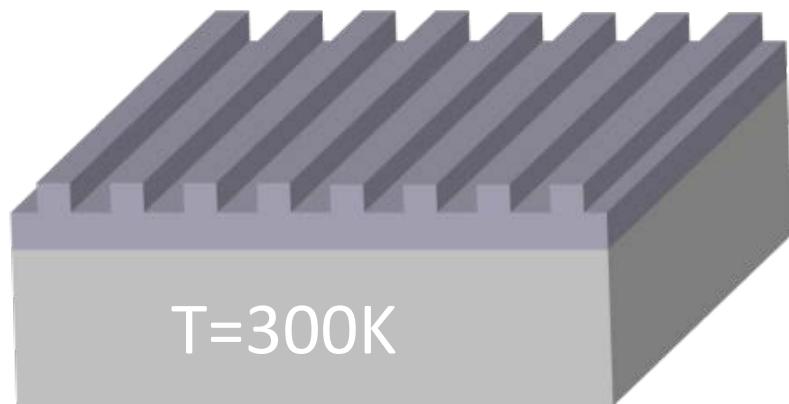
Waveguide Grating Mirrors



- ✓ Ta₂O₅ grating ($n_H=2.04$)
- ✓ SiO₂ substrate ($n_L=1.45$)

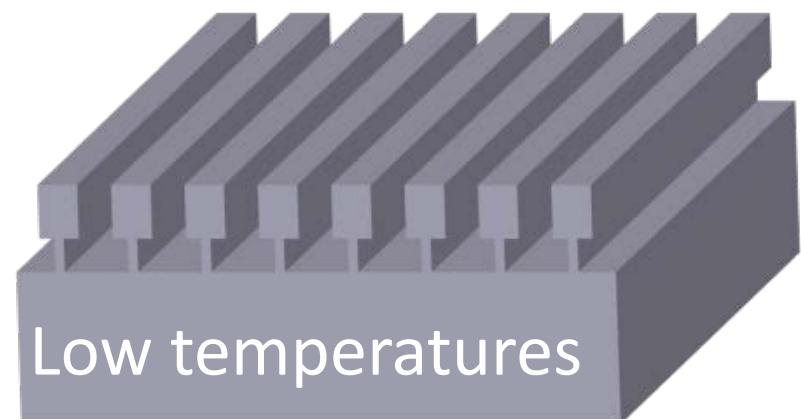
R = 99.08 (± 0.04)%

R = 99.2 (± 0.1)%

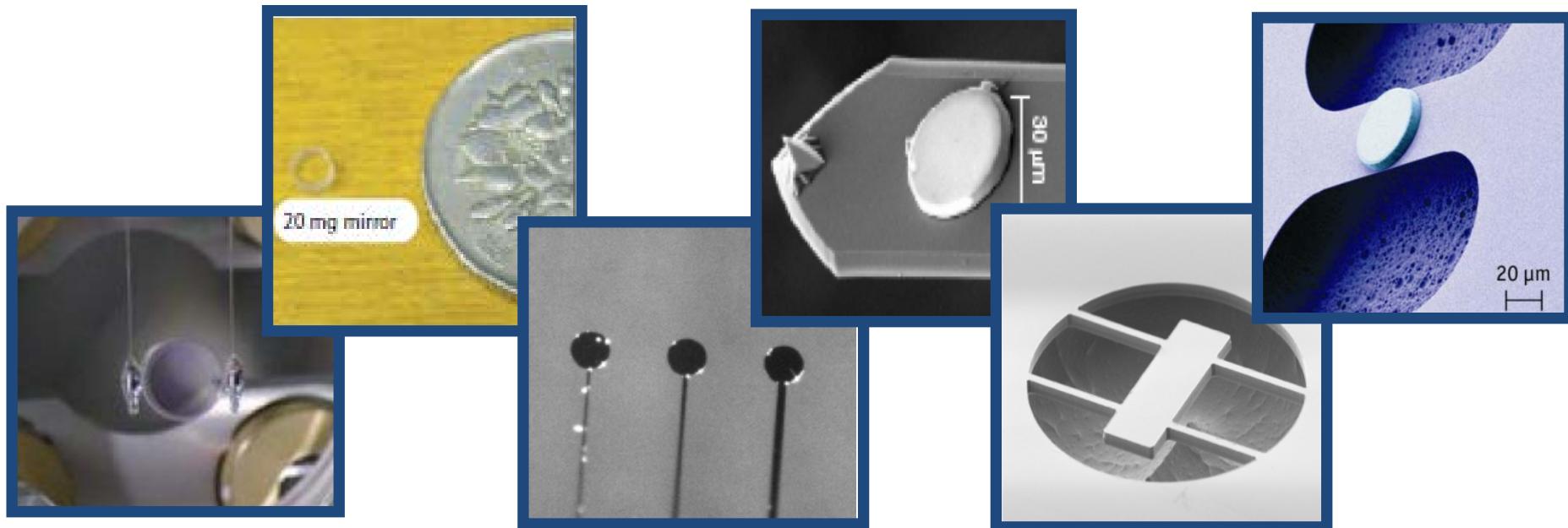


- ✓ Crystalline silicon ($n_H=3.5$)

R = 99.795 (± 0.009)%

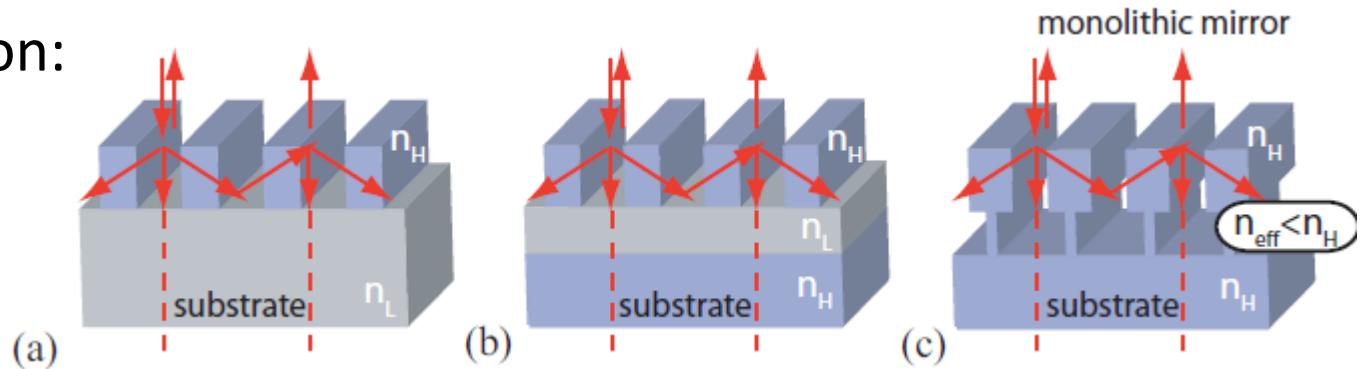


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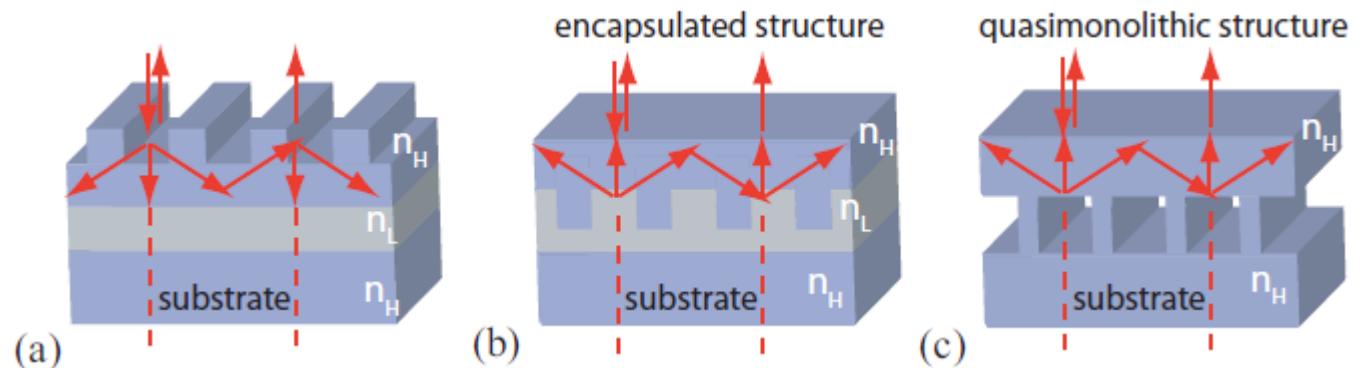


A Variety of WGGs

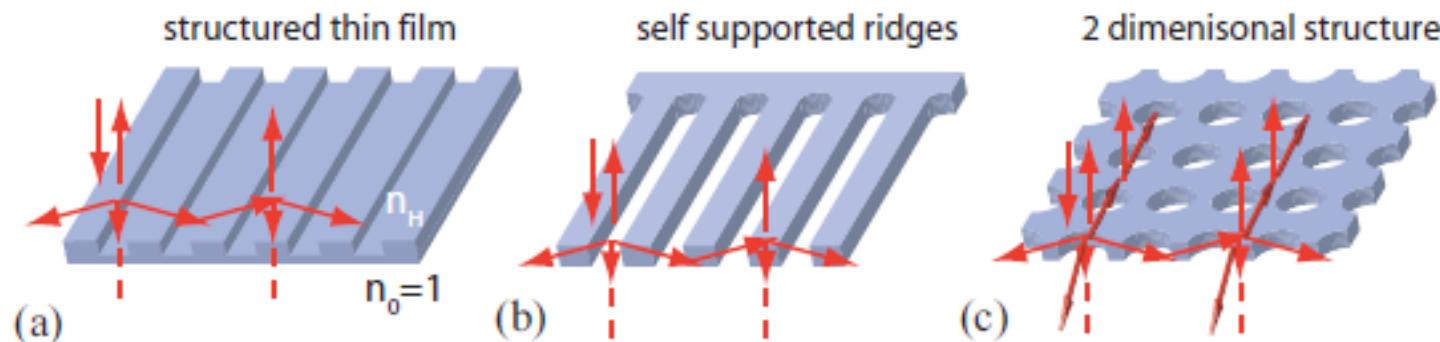
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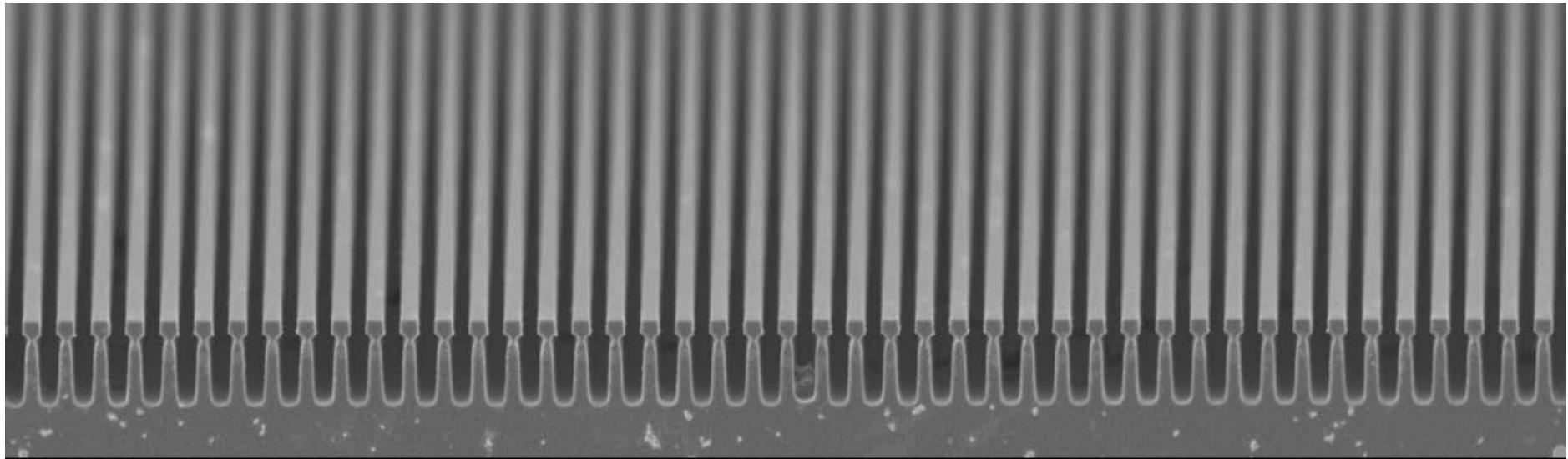
Flat surfaces:



Thin oscillators:



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A. Tünnermann

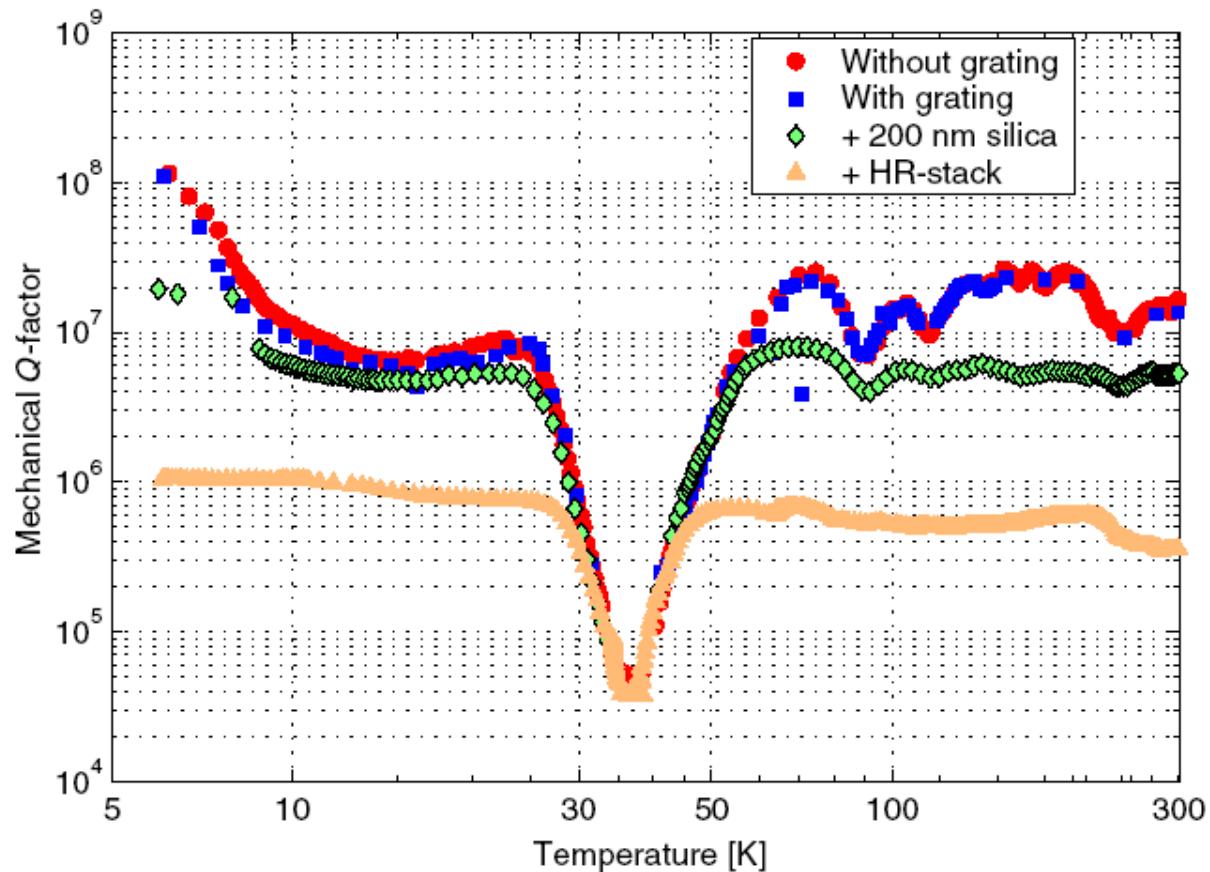
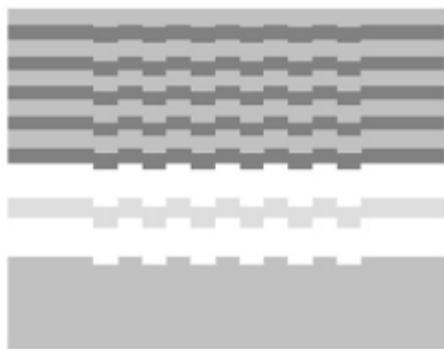


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- Grating structure does not „destroy“ high Q-factor of substrate!
- but surface loss is crucial, need to be measured separately!