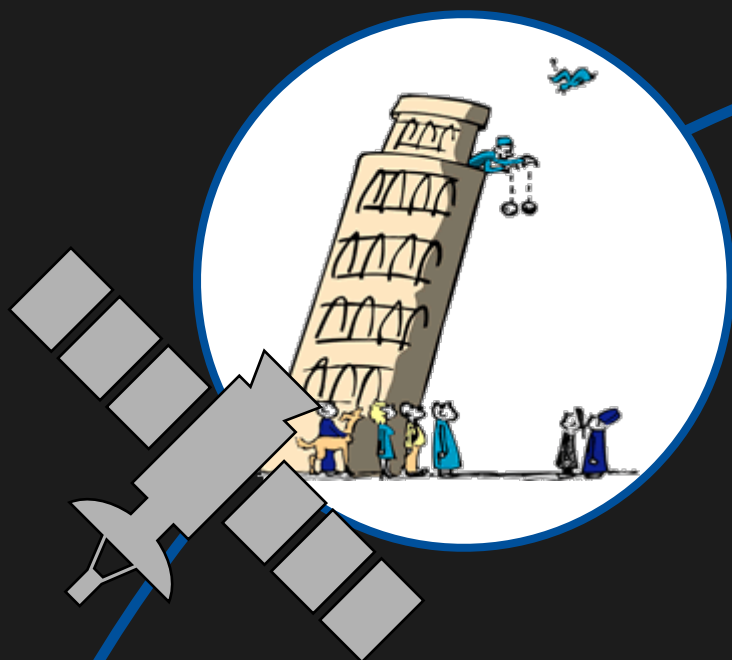


Gravity gradient cancellation in satellite quantum tests of the Equivalence Principle



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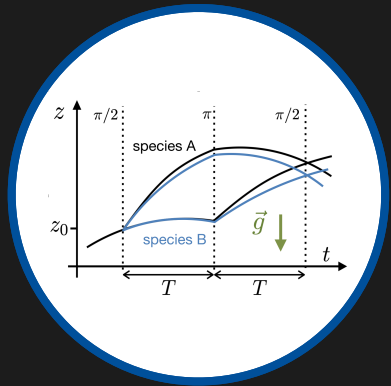
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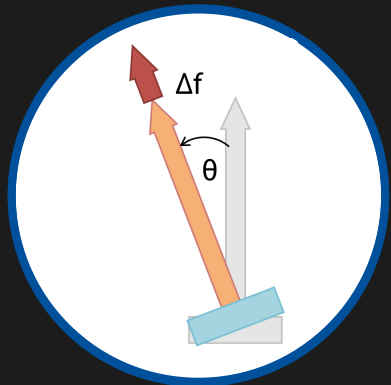


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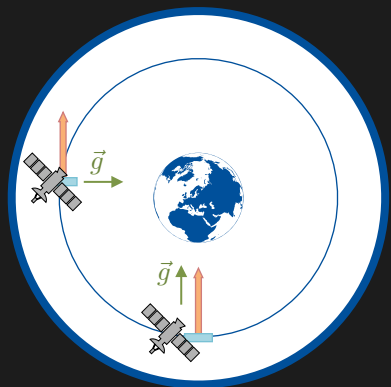


II - Atom Interferometry

III - Co-location problem



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V - Signal Demodulation

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Implies metric theory of gravity. Modern formulation:

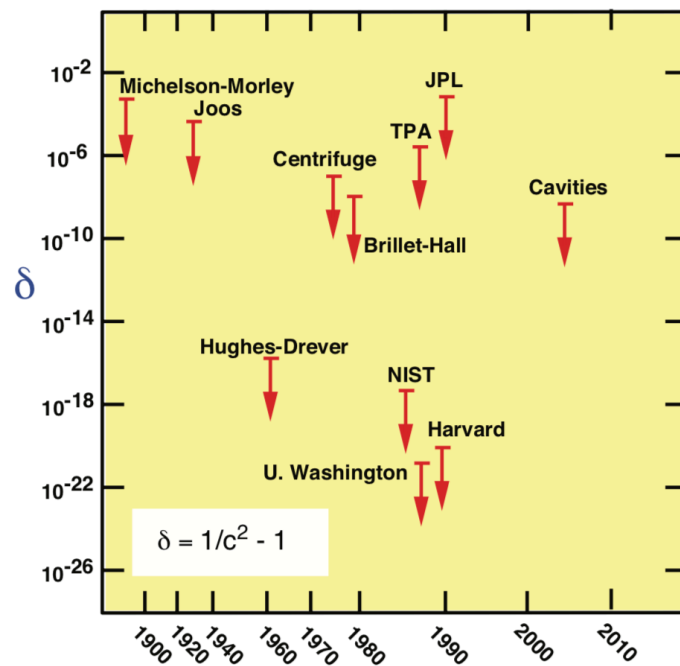
1 - **LLI**: independence of reference frame velocity

2 - **UFF/WEF**: free-fall trajectory independent of internal composition

3 - **LPI/UGR**: independence of location

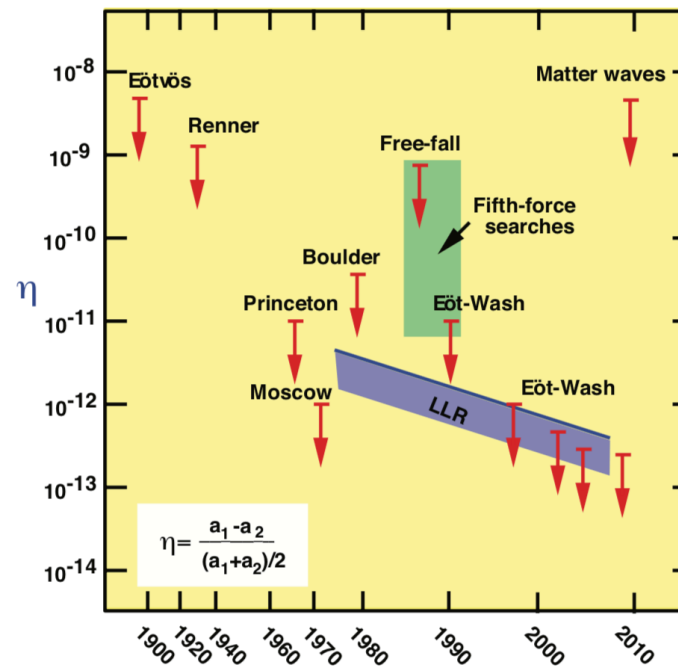
Will: Living Reviews in Relativity **17**(1) (2014)

TESTS OF
LOCAL LORENTZ INVARIANCE



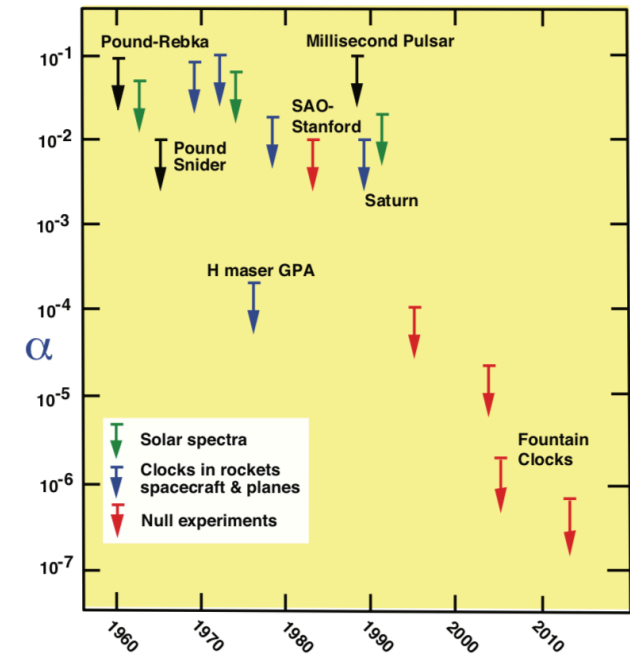
$$\delta = \frac{1}{c^2} - 1$$

TESTS OF THE
WEAK EQUIVALENCE PRINCIPLE



$$\eta = 2 \frac{|a_1 - a_2|}{a_1 + a_2}$$

TESTS OF
LOCAL POSITION INVARIANCE



$$Z = (1 + \alpha) \frac{\Delta U}{c^2}$$

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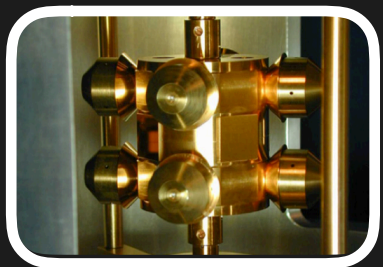
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Weak Equivalence Principle: Free fall trajectory independent of internal composition

(Classical) Tests:

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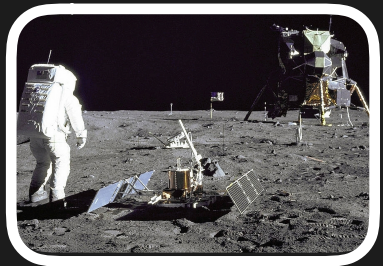
Torsion balance

Wagner et al., CQG **29**, 184002 (2012)

$$\eta(\text{Be}, \text{Ti}) = (0.3 \pm 1.8) \times 10^{-13}$$

$$\eta(\text{Be}, \text{Al}) = (-0.7 \pm 1.3) \times 10^{-13}$$

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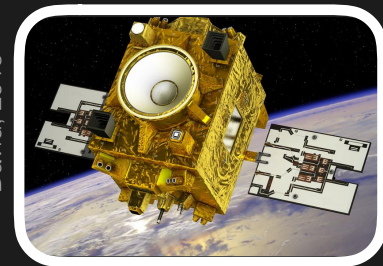


Lunar laser ranging

Hofmann et Müller, CQG **35**, 035015 (2018)

$$\eta(\oplus, \mathbb{C}) = (-3 \pm 5) \times 10^{-14}$$

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David, 2016

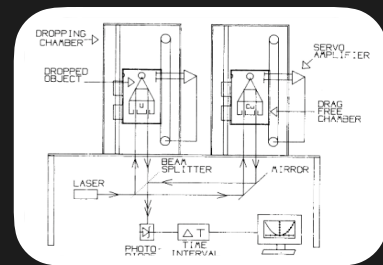


MICROSCOPE

Touboul et al., PRL **119**, 231101 (2017)

$$\eta(\text{Ti}, \text{Pt:Rh}) = (-1 \pm 9(\text{stat}) \pm 9(\text{syst})) \times 10^{-15}$$

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Laser gravimeter

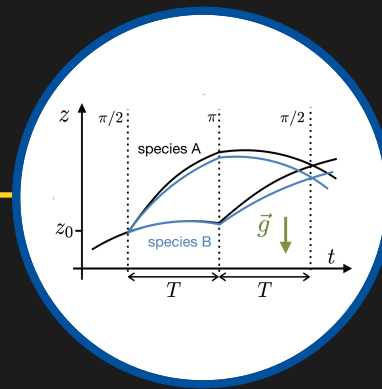
Niebauer et al., PRL **59**, 609 (1987)

$$\eta(\text{Cu}, \text{U}) = 5 \times 10^{-10}$$



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$$\eta = 2 \frac{|a_1 - a_2|}{a_1 + a_2}$$

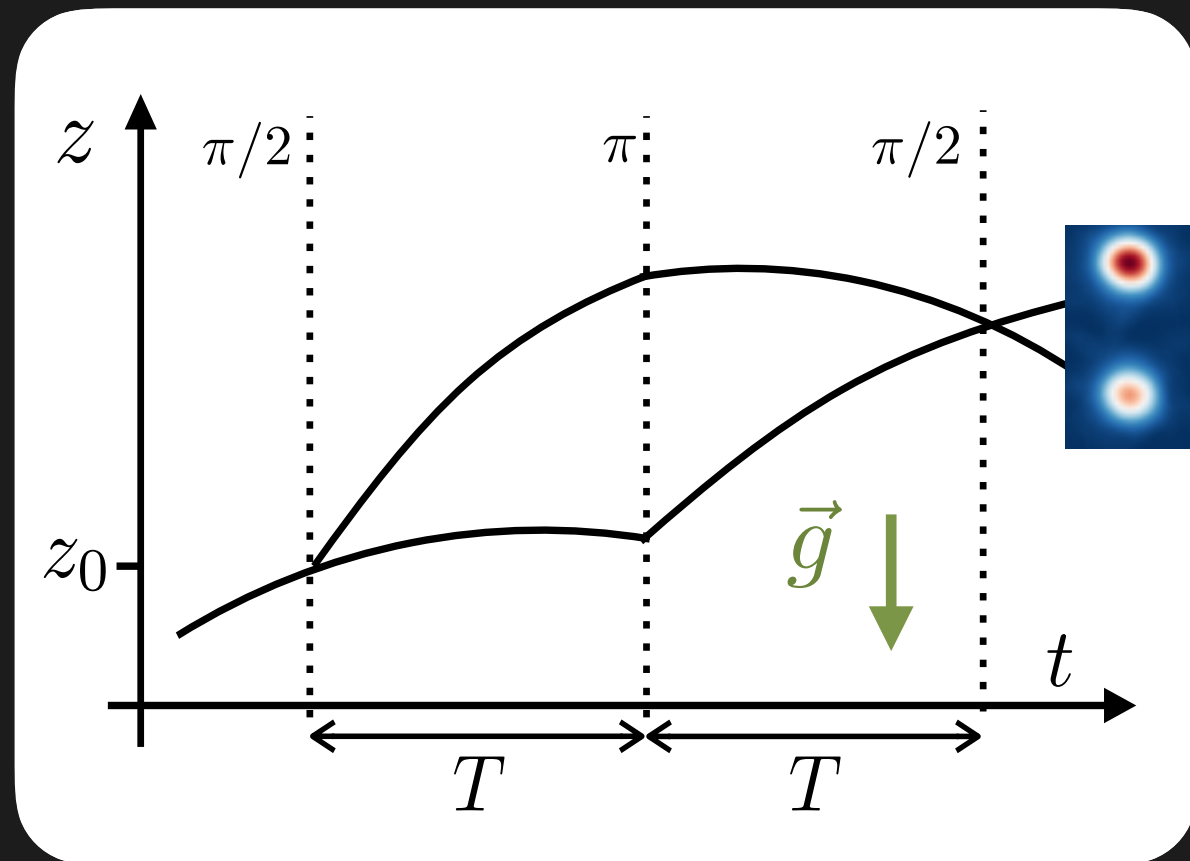


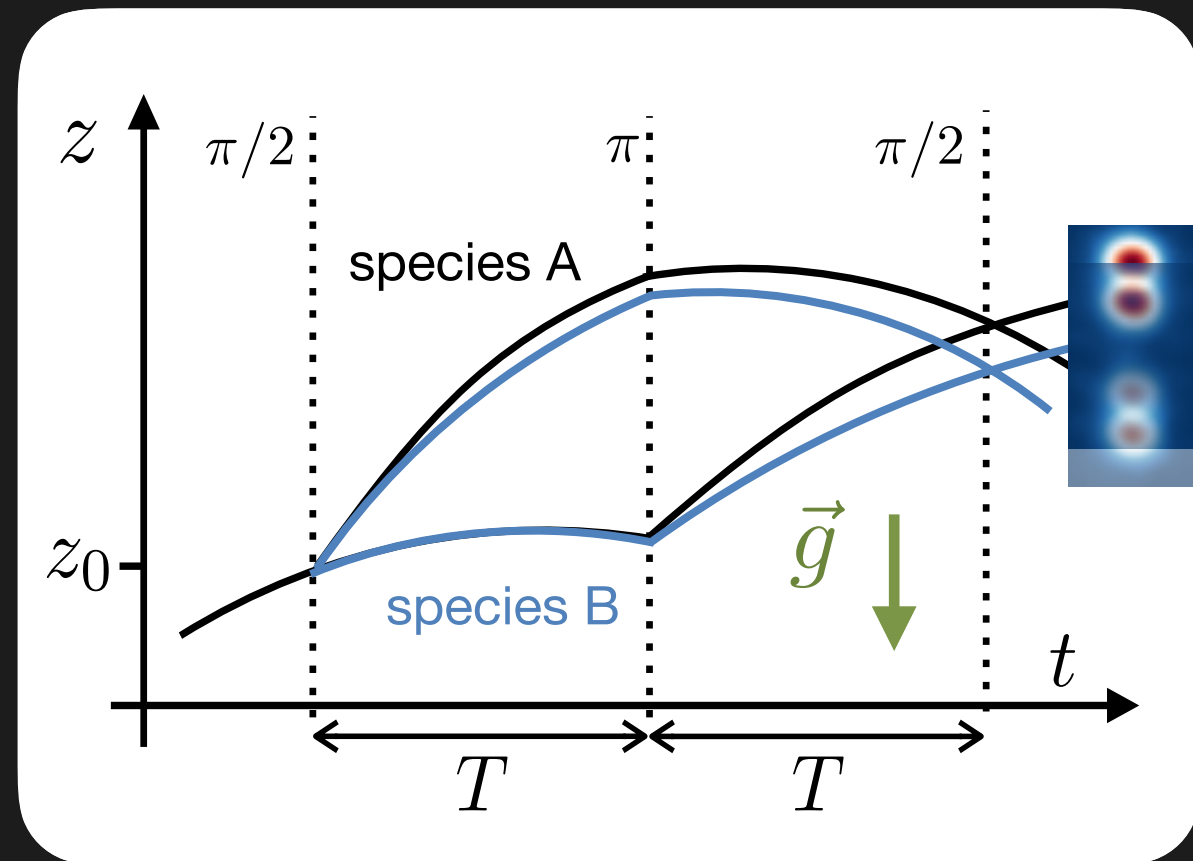
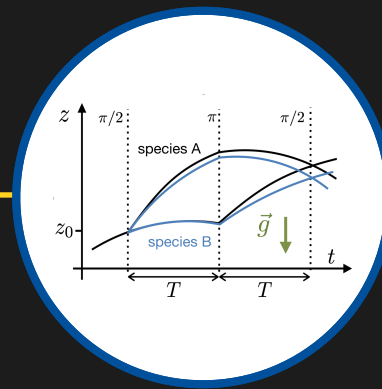
Population in output port

$$P \propto \cos(\Delta\phi)$$

with phase difference

$$\Delta\phi = \vec{k}_{eff} \cdot \vec{g} T^2$$



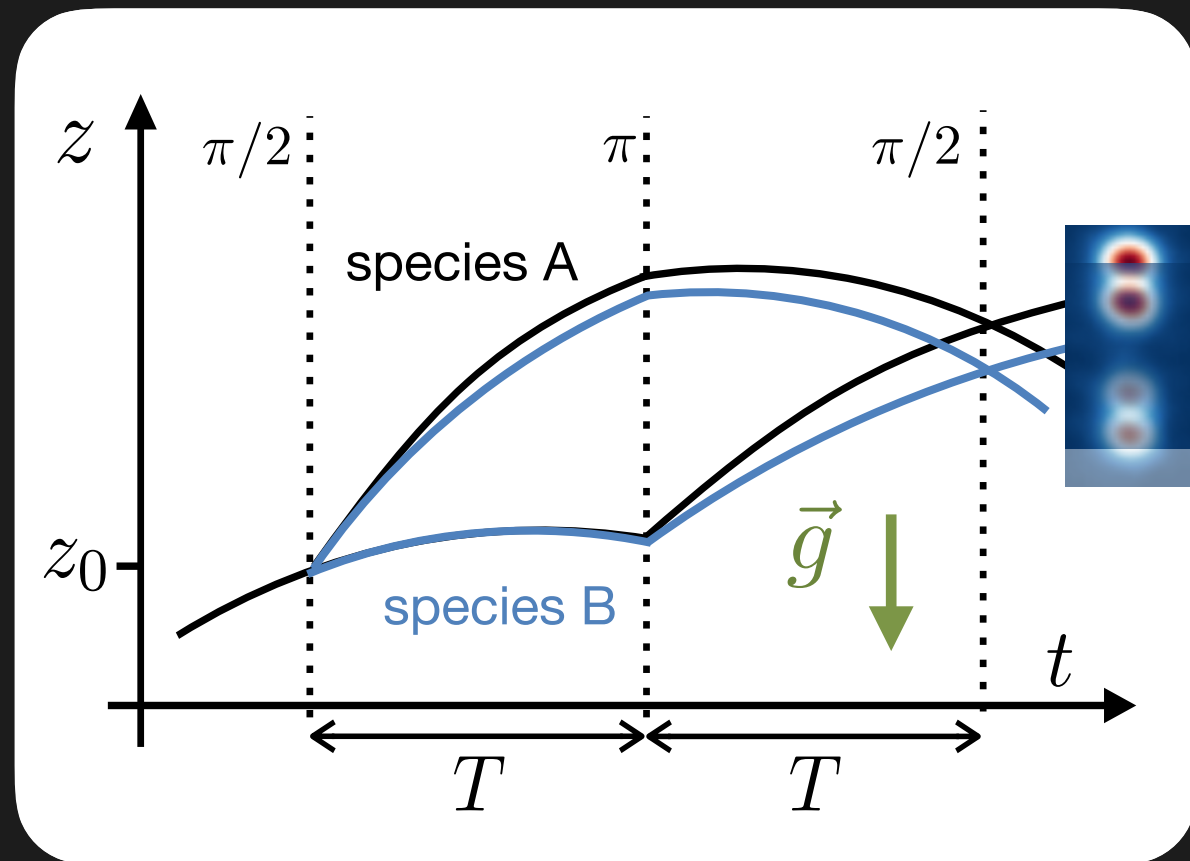
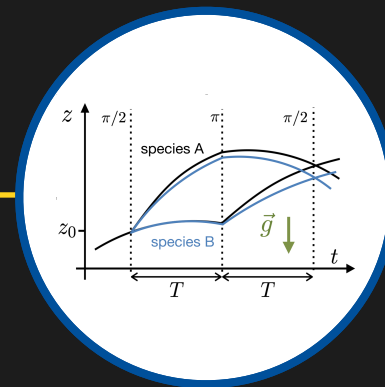


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Simultaneous Als measure differential acceleration:

acceleration of species i

$$a_i = \frac{\Delta\phi_i}{k_{eff,i} T_i^2}$$

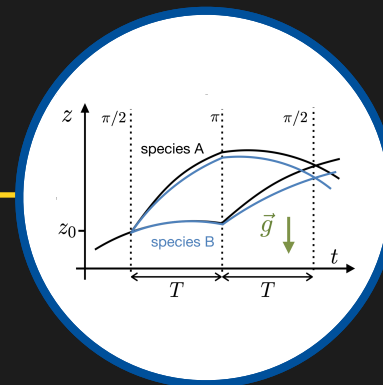
phase of species i

scale factor of species i

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II - Atom Interferometry

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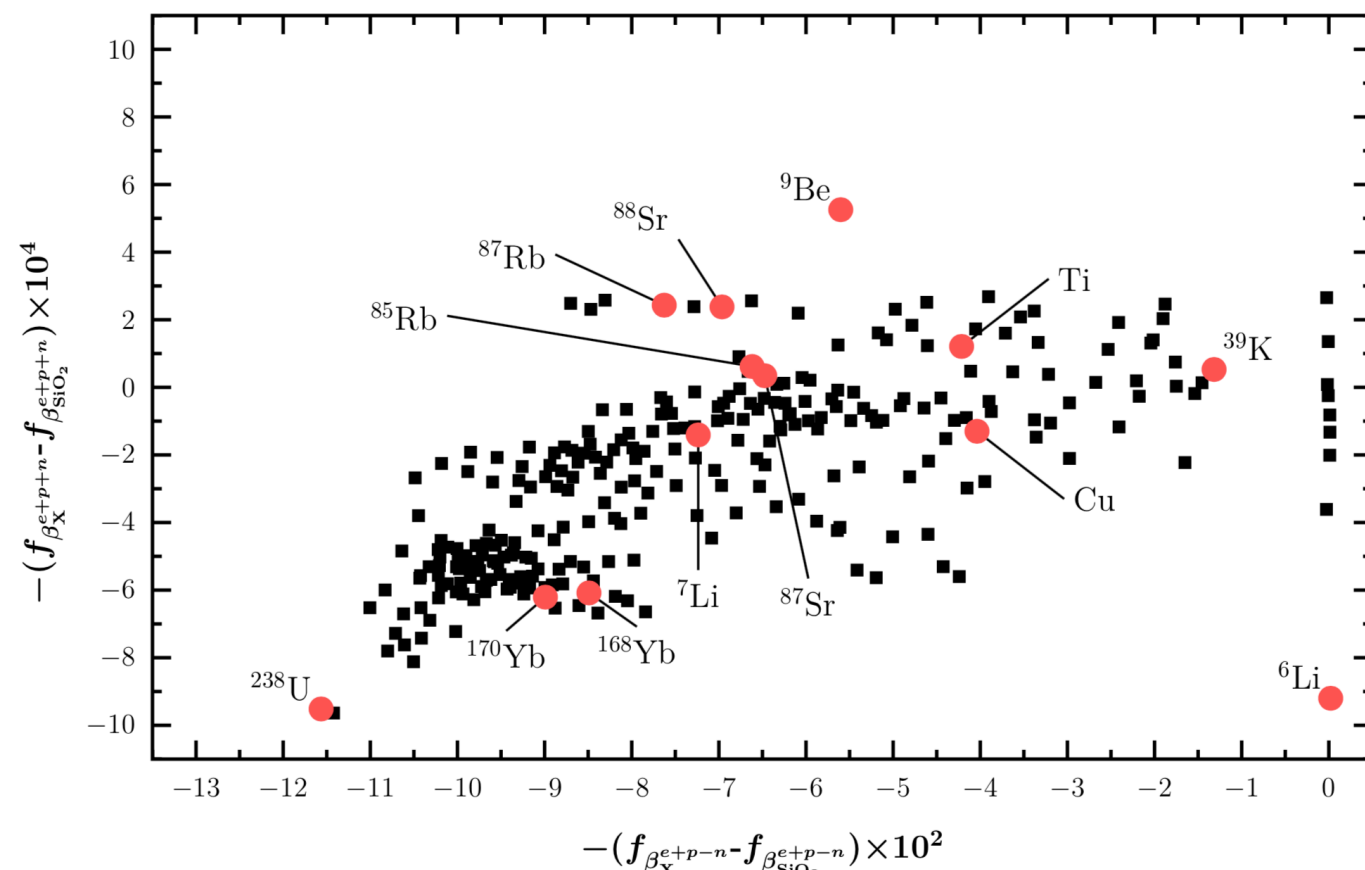
Quantum tests:

- range of test masses
- spin-gravity coupling
- large test mass coherence length

For example, test

- SME extension or
- dilaton model violation parameters:

D. Schlippert, PhD Thesis, LUH (2014)

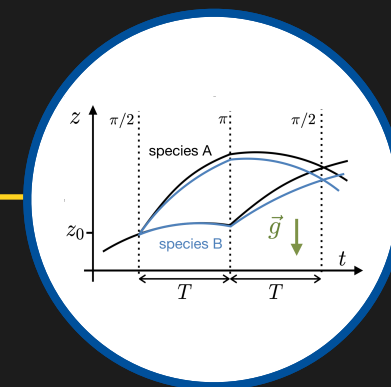


Schlippert et al., PRL 112, 203002 (2012)

A	B	References	$Q_A^1 - Q_B^1$ $\times 10^4$	$Q_A^2 - Q_B^2$ $\times 10^4$	$f_{\beta_A^{e+p-n}} - f_{\beta_B^{e+p-n}}$ $\times 10^2$	$f_{\beta_A^{e+p+n}} - f_{\beta_B^{e+p+n}}$ $\times 10^4$	$f_{\beta_A^{\bar{e}+\bar{p}-\bar{n}}} - f_{\beta_B^{\bar{e}+\bar{p}-\bar{n}}}$ $\times 10^5$	$f_{\beta_A^{\bar{e}+\bar{p}+\bar{n}}} - f_{\beta_B^{\bar{e}+\bar{p}+\bar{n}}}$ $\times 10^4$
⁹ Be	Ti	[4]	-15.46	-71.20	1.48	-4.16	-0.24	-16.24
⁸⁵ Rb	⁸⁷ Rb	[11–13]	0.84	-0.79	-1.01	1.81	1.04	1.67
⁸⁷ Sr	⁸⁸ Sr	[14]	0.42	-0.39	-0.49	2.04	10.81	1.85
³⁹ K	⁸⁷ Rb	(this work)	-6.69	-23.69	-6.31	1.90	-62.30	0.64

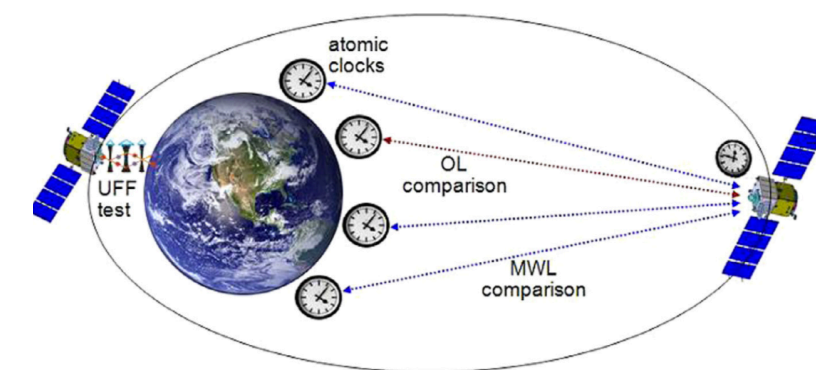
II - Atom Interferometry

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Tests of the WEP

	Type	Ref.	A	B	$\delta\eta(A,B)$
Classical	MICROSCOPE	[0]	Ti	PtRh	$\sim 9 \times 10^{-15}$
	Lunar laser ranging	[1]	Earth	Moon	$\sim 1 \times 10^{-14}$
	Torsion balance	[2]	Be	Ti	$\sim 1 \times 10^{-13}$
	Laser gravimeter	[3]	Cu	U	$\sim 5 \times 10^{-10}$
Hybrid	AI+FG5 (Palo Alto)	[4]	^{133}Cs	FG5	$\sim 7 \times 10^{-9}$
	AI+FG5 (Paris)	[5]	^{87}Rb	FG5	$\sim 6 \times 10^{-8}$
Quantum	AI (Munich)	[6]	^{85}Rb	^{87}Rb	$\sim 2 \times 10^{-7}$
	AI (Palaiseau)	[7]	^{85}Rb	^{87}Rb	$\sim 3 \times 10^{-7}$
	BO (Firenze)	[8]	^{87}Sr	^{88}Sr	$\sim 2 \times 10^{-7}$
	AI (Wuhan)	[9]	^{85}Rb	^{87}Rb	$\sim 3 \times 10^{-8}$
	AI (IQ)	[10]	^{39}K	^{87}Rb	$\sim 5 \times 10^{-7}$



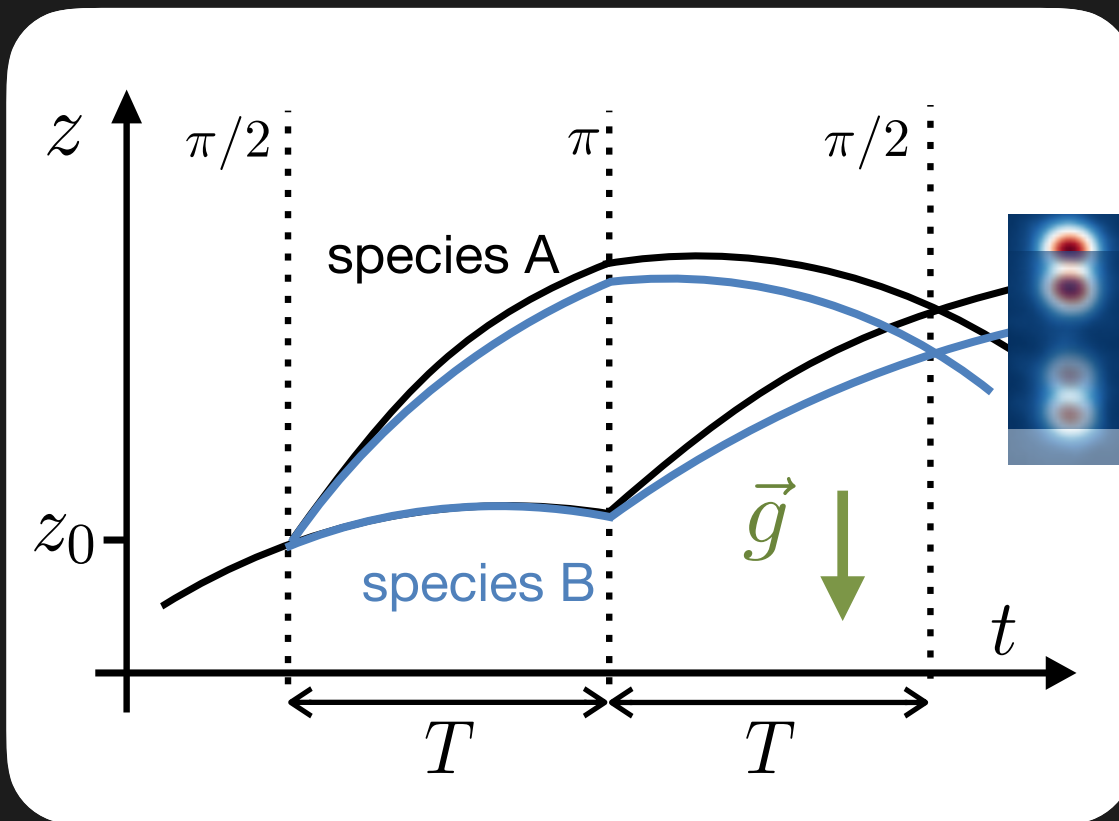
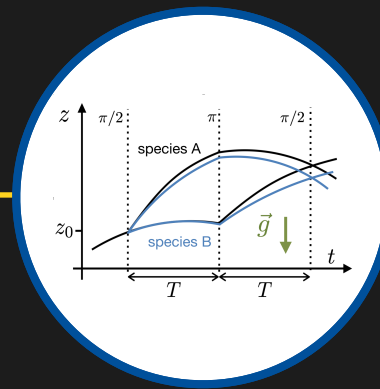
projected inaccuracy of large baseline [11,12] and
space-borne [13] AI tests of the WEP:

$$\delta\eta \sim 10^{-13} - 10^{-15}$$

- [0] Touboul et al., PRL 119, 231101 (2017) [1] Hofmann et Müller, CQG 35, 035015 (2018); Williams et al., CQG 29, 184004 (2012);
[2] Wagner et al., CQG 29, 184002 (2012); [3] Niebauer et al., PRL 59, 609 (1987); [4] Peters et al., Nature 400, 849 (1999);
[5] Merlet et al., Metrologia 47, L9 (2010); [6] Fray et al., PRL. 93, 240404 (2004); [7] Bonnin et al., PRA 88, 043615 (2013);
[8] Tarallo et al., PRL. 113, 023005 (2014); [9] Zhou et al., PRL 115, 013004 (2015); [10] Schlippert et al., PRL 112, 203002 (2014);
[11] Hartwig et al., NJP 17, 035011 (2015);, [12] Overstreet et al., PRL 120, 183604 (2018), [13] Altschul et al., Adv. in Space Research 55(1), 2015 see also: ^{87}Rb F=1, F=2 & superposition ($\sim 10^{-9}$): Rosi et al., NatComm 8, 15529 (2017); ^{87}Rb F=1 & F=2 ($3 \cdot 10^{-10}$): Zhang et al., arXiv: 1805.07758

III The Co-location problem

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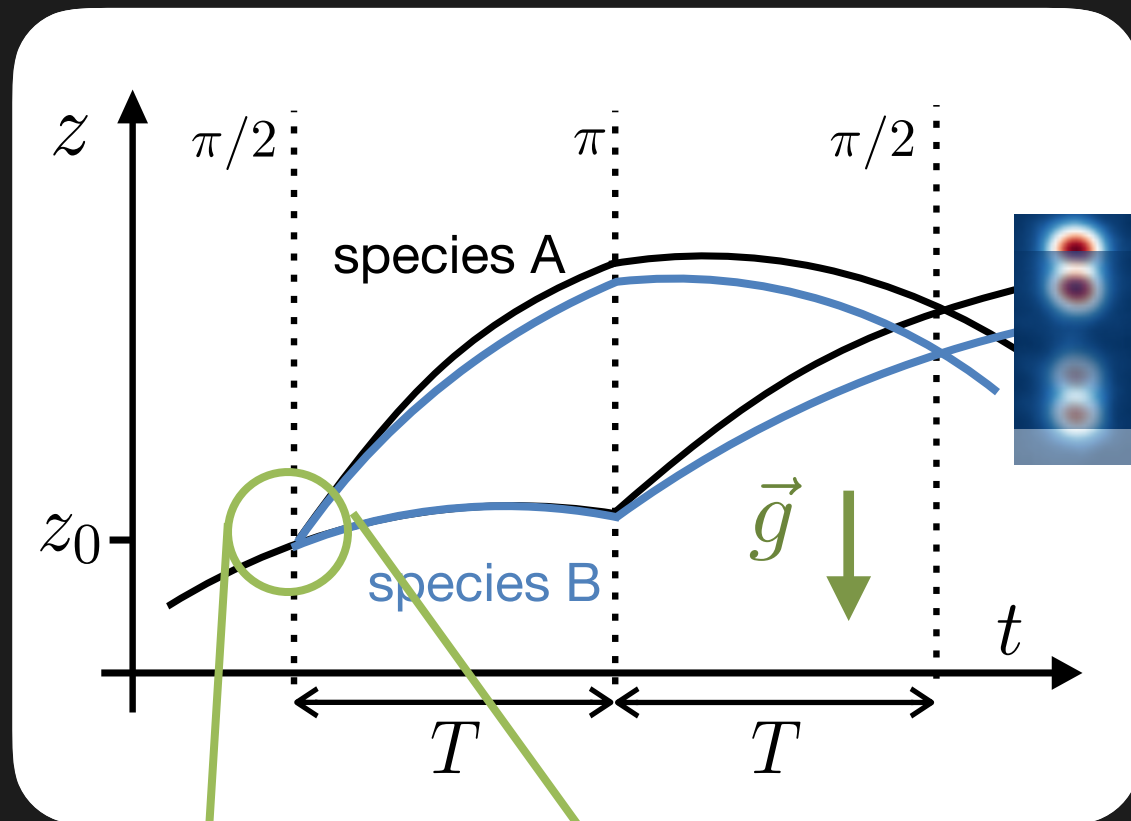
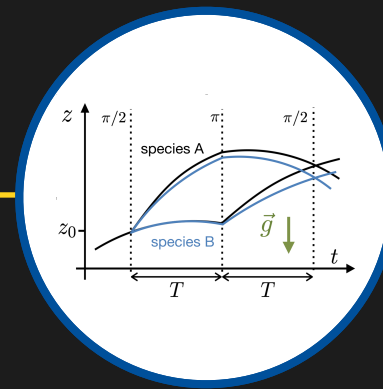


In presence of gravity gradients $\Gamma_{i,j} = \partial_j g_i$, initial coordinates $z_0, v_{z,0}$ enter the phase:

$$\Delta\phi = \vec{k}_{\text{eff}} \cdot \vec{a} T^2 + k_{\text{eff}} \Gamma_{zz} T^2 (z_0 + v_{z,0} T) + \dots$$

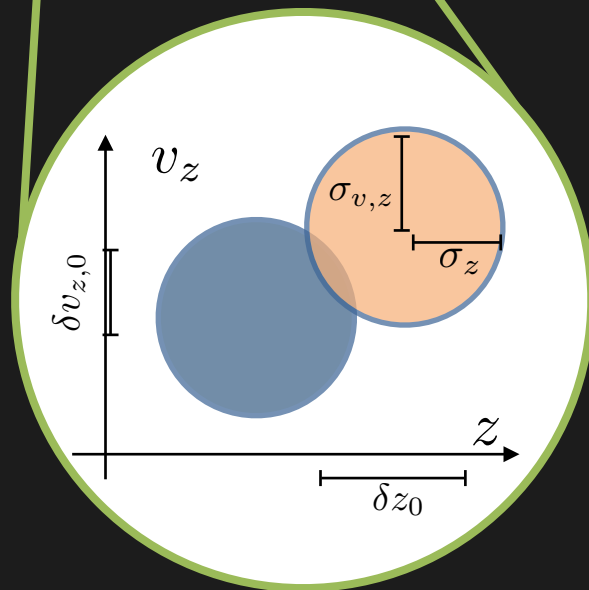
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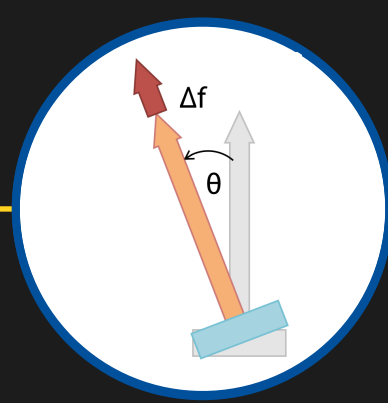


Phase-space uncertainties

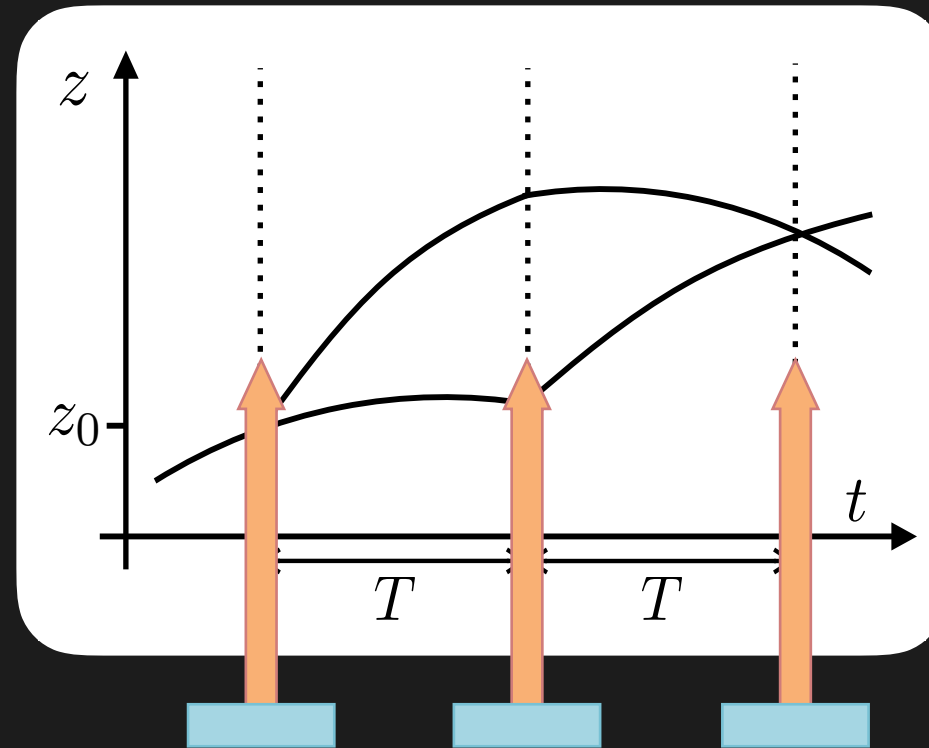
- Phase/acceleration measurement uncertainty
- loss of contrast
- one of major limitations in state of the art atomic gravimeters
- **$\delta\eta \sim 10^{-15}$: requires $\delta r_0 \sim \text{nm}$, $\delta v_0 \sim \text{nm/s}$**

IV Gravity gradient cancellation

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Idea: Introduce controllable phase-shift to remove dependencies on initial coordinates



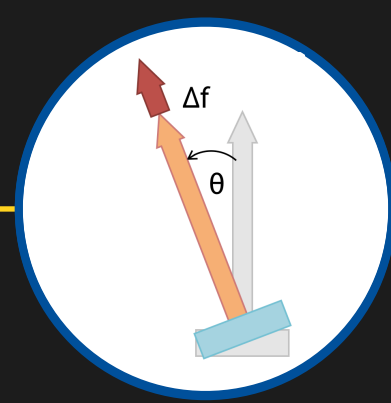
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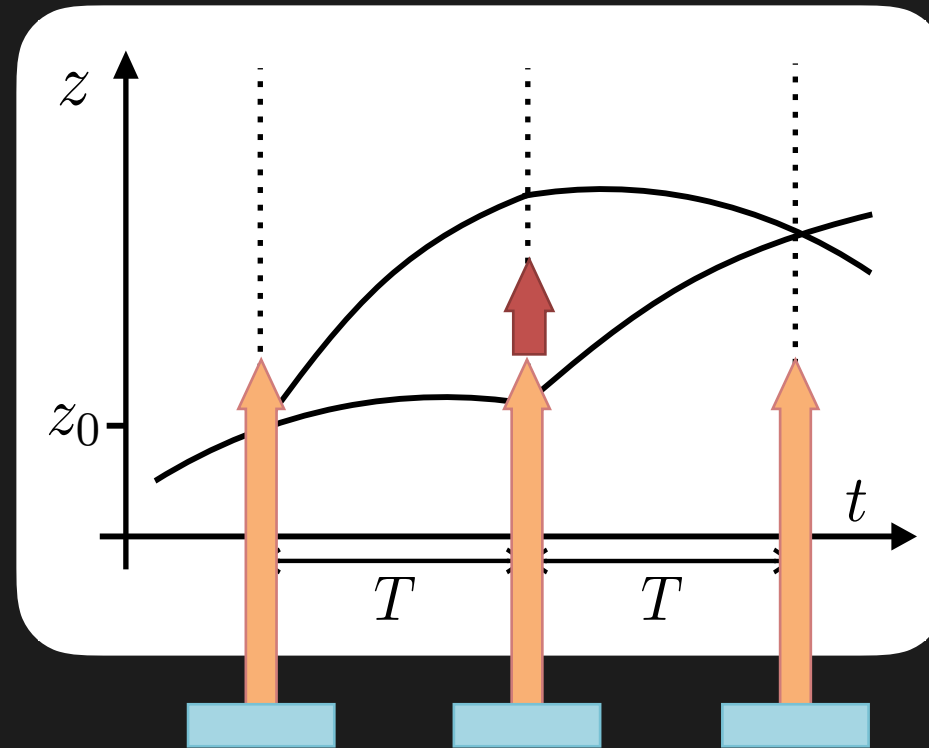
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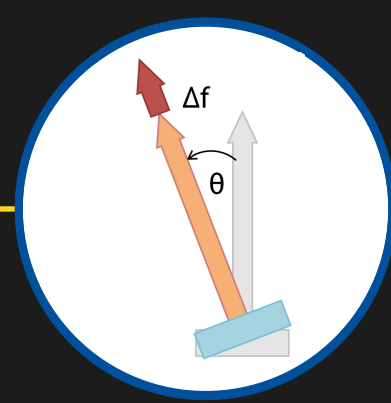
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$$\Delta\phi = \dots + k_{\text{eff}}\Gamma_{zz}T^2(z_0 + v_{z,0}T) - 2\Delta k(z_0 + v_{z,0}T) + \dots$$

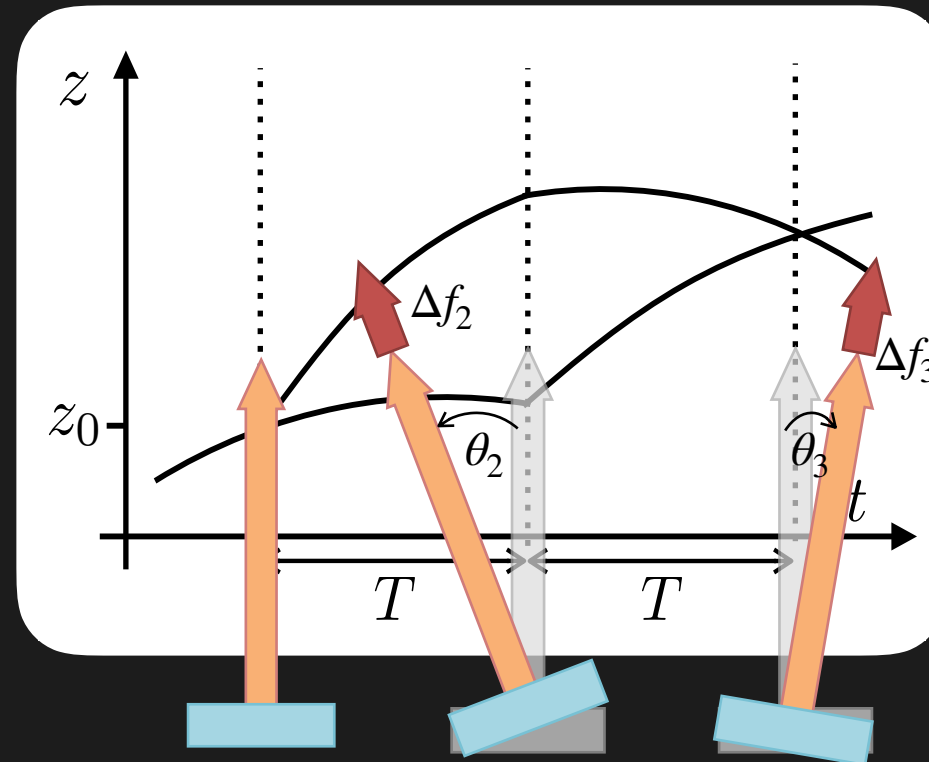
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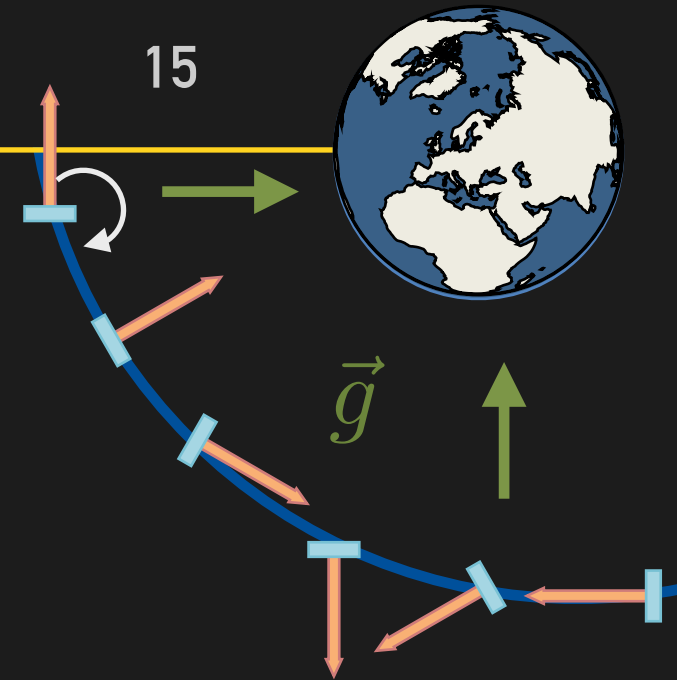
$$\Delta\phi = \Delta\phi_0 + \sum_{j=x,y,z} \alpha_j r_j(0) + \beta_j \dot{r}_j(0)$$

α_j, β_j : functions of $\Delta_{i,j}(\theta_i, \Delta f_i)$

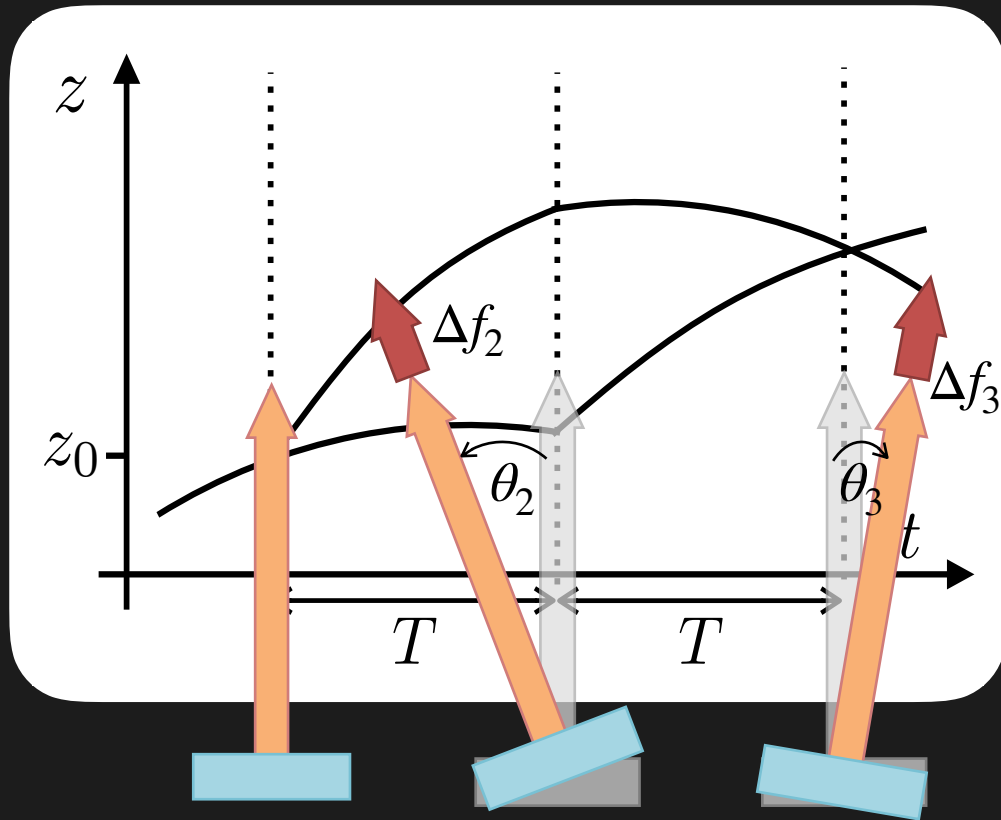
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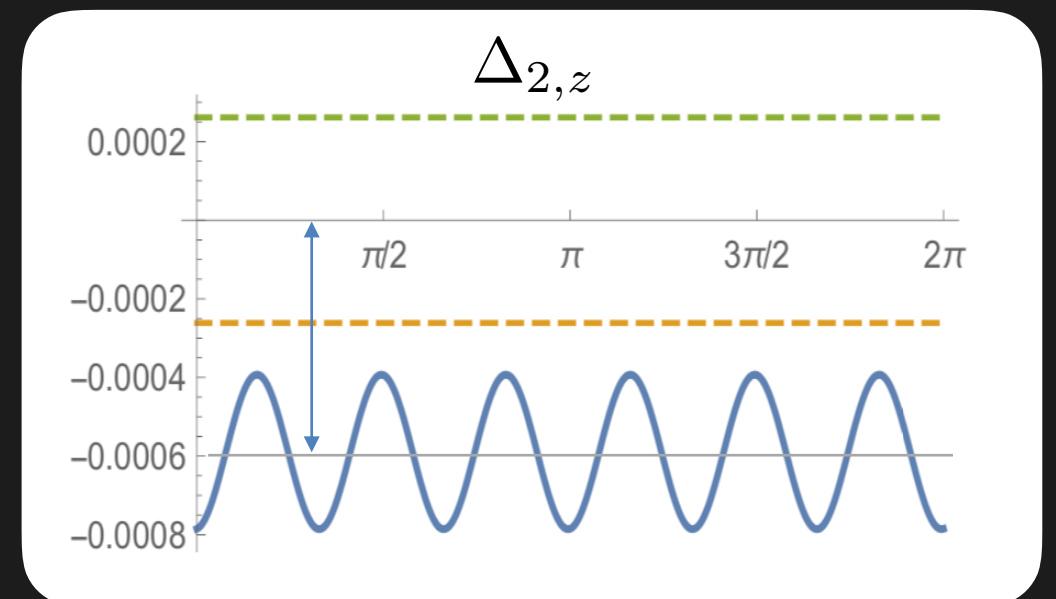
- Varying gravity gradient values
- Rotating systems



Example: Satellite spinning in orbital plane ($\Omega = 2 \times \Omega_{\text{orbit}}$)



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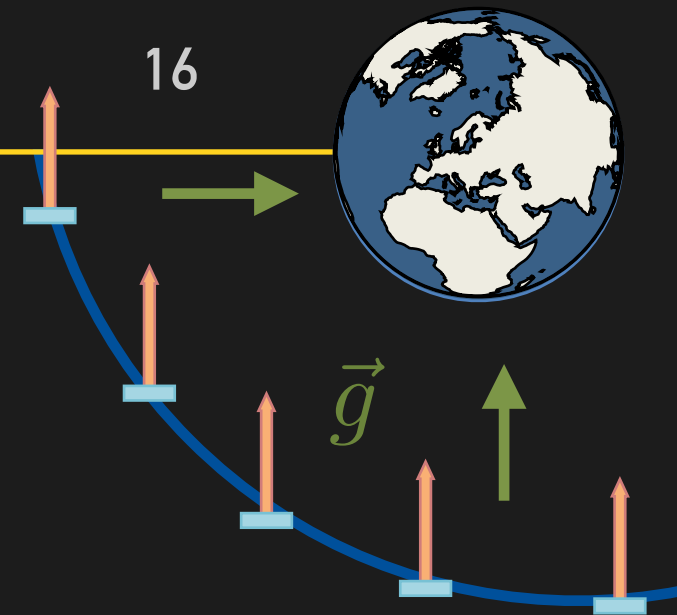
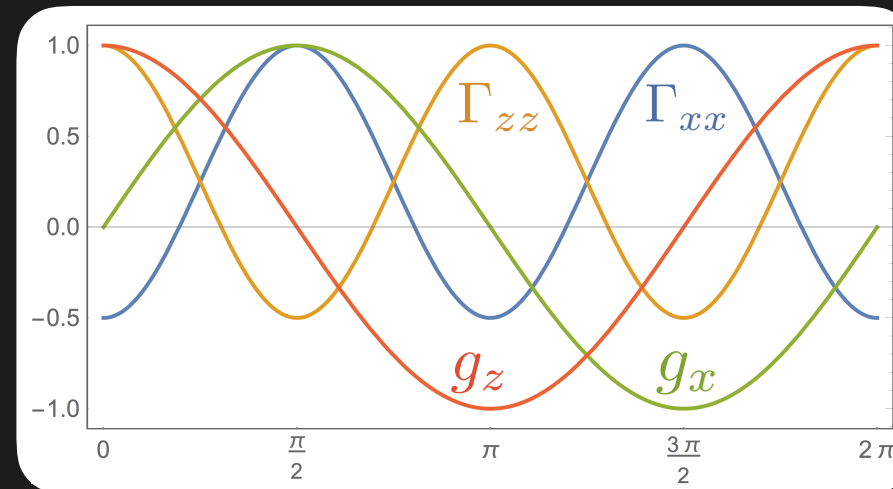
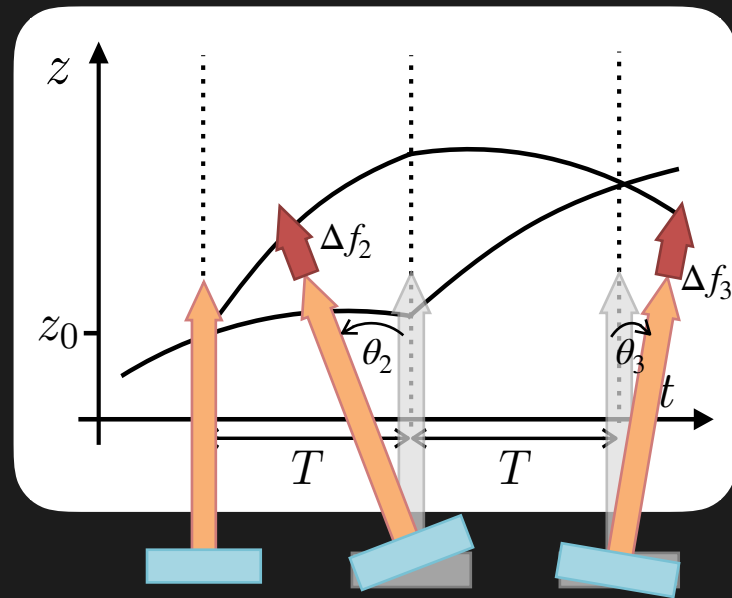


offset: rotation
compensation by
counter-rotation

modulation:
gravity gradient
compensation

IV Gravity gradient cancellation

Feasibility analysis: Inertial mission



requirements for a **10^3 suppression** of gravity gradient related differential acceleration uncertainties

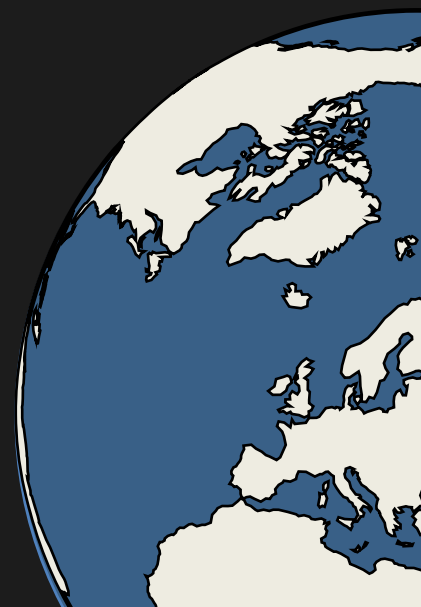
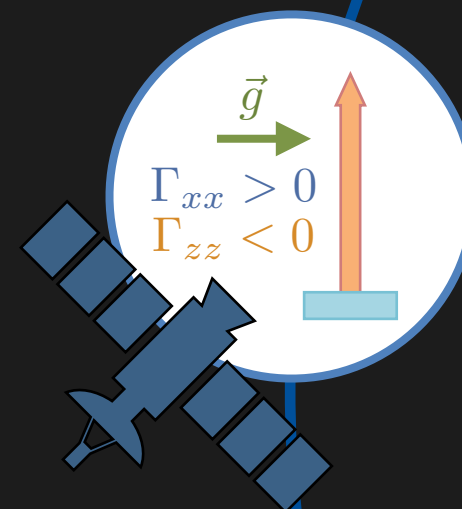
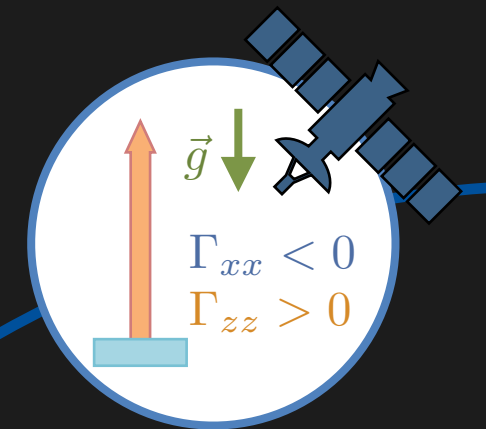
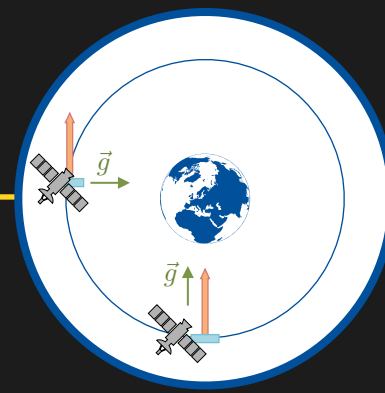
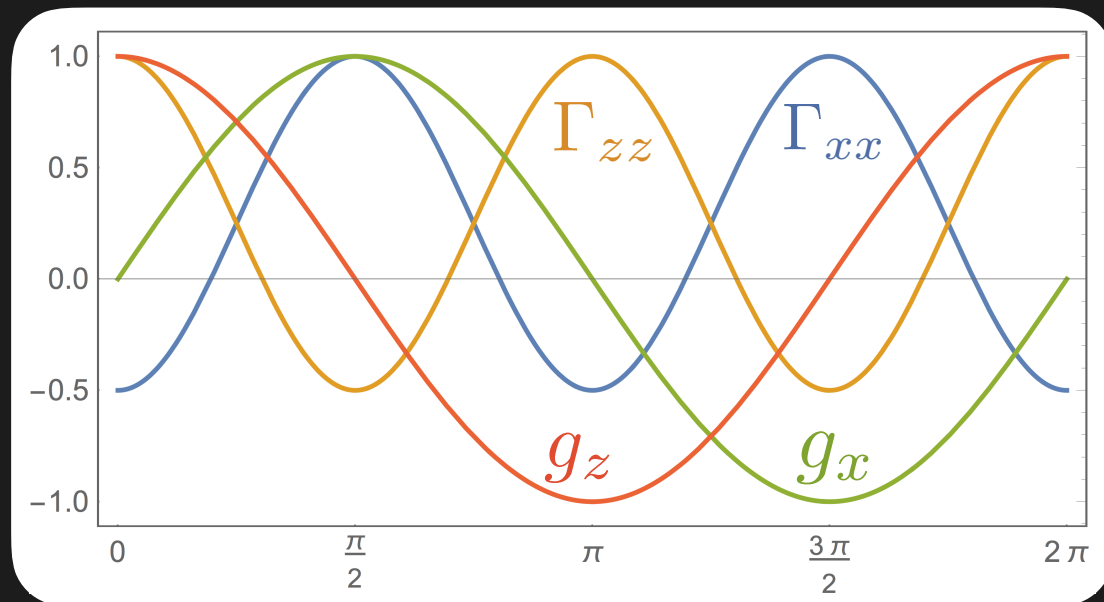
quantity	value	uncertainty	value	comment
θ	$20\mu\text{rad}$	$\delta\theta$	100nrad	max. laser tilt
Δf	10GHz	δf	10MHz	max. laser frequency shift
γ	$-2 \times 10^{-6}\text{s}^{-2}$	$\delta\gamma$	$-2 \times 10^{-9}\text{s}^{-2}$	gravity gradient
T	5s	δT	$10\mu\text{s}$	pulse separation time
Ω_y	0	$\delta\Omega$	10nrad	satellite spinning

4 Demodulation

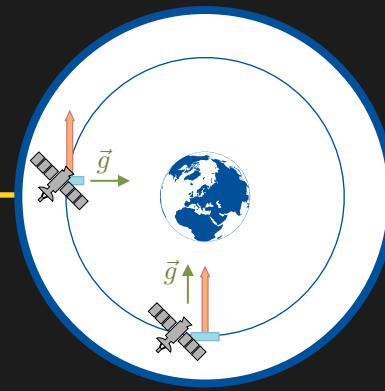
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How to get rid of residual uncertainties?

Idea: Possible violation signal modulated at different frequency than systematic uncertainties from gravity gradients



Williams et al., NJP **16**(12), (2017)
Touboul et al., PRL **119** (23), (2017)

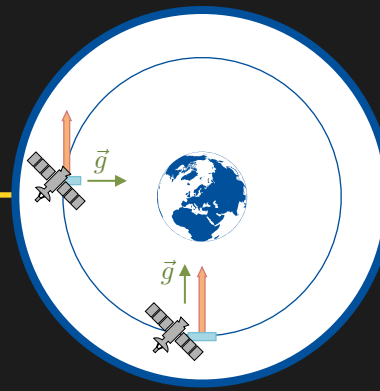


Differential acceleration signal:

$$\Delta a = \delta a \cos(\Omega_m t) + \Delta a_{\text{const}} + \sum_{j=1} \Delta a_{\text{sys}}^j \cos(j\Omega_m t),$$

poss. UFF-violation modulated at Ω_m

frequency components of syst. uncertainties



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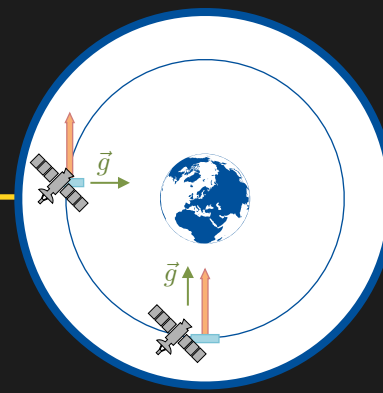
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Demodulation at target frequency:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2}{\tau} \int_0^\tau \Delta a \cos(\Omega_m t) dt &= (\delta a + \Delta a_{\text{sys}}^1) + \frac{2}{\tau \Omega_m} \left[\frac{\delta a + \Delta a_{\text{sys}}^1}{2} \sin(2\Omega_m \tau) + \Delta a_{\text{const}} \sin(\Omega_m \tau) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2 \sum_{j=2} \Delta a_{\text{sys}}^j \left[\frac{\sin([j\Omega_m - \Omega_m]\tau)}{j\Omega_m - \Omega_m} + \frac{\sin([j\Omega_m + \Omega_m]\tau)}{j\Omega_m + \Omega_m} \right] \right] \\ &\leq (\delta a + \Delta a_{\text{sys}}^1) + \frac{2}{\tau \Omega_m} \left[\frac{\delta a + \Delta a_{\text{sys}}^1}{4} + |\Delta a_{\text{const}}| + \frac{2}{3} \sum_{j=2} |\Delta a_{\text{sys}}^j| \right] \end{aligned}$$



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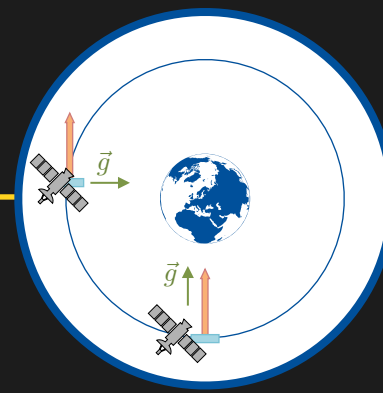
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frequency components of syst. uncertainties

Demodulation at target frequency:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2}{\tau} \int_0^\tau \Delta a \cos(\Omega_m t) dt &= (\delta a + \Delta a_{\text{sys}}^1) + \frac{2}{\tau \Omega_m} \left[\frac{\delta a + \Delta a_{\text{sys}}^1}{2} \sin(2\Omega_m \tau) + \Delta a_{\text{const}} \sin(\Omega_m \tau) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2 \sum_{j=2} \Delta a_{\text{sys}}^j \left[\frac{\sin([j\Omega_m - \Omega_m]\tau)}{j\Omega_m - \Omega_m} + \frac{\sin([j\Omega_m + \Omega_m]\tau)}{j\Omega_m + \Omega_m} \right] \right] \\ &\leq (\delta a) + \Delta a_{\text{sys}}^1 + \frac{2}{\tau \Omega_m} \left[\frac{\delta a + \Delta a_{\text{sys}}^1}{4} + |\Delta a_{\text{const}}| + \frac{2}{3} \sum_{j=2} |\Delta a_{\text{sys}}^j| \right] \end{aligned}$$



Differential acceleration signal:

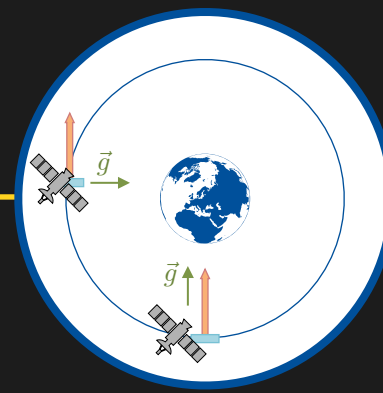
$$\Delta a = \delta a \cos(\Omega_m t) + \Delta a_{\text{const}} + \sum_{j=1} \Delta a_{\text{sys}}^j \cos(j\Omega_m t),$$

poss. UFF-violation modulated at Ω_m

frequency components of syst. uncertainties

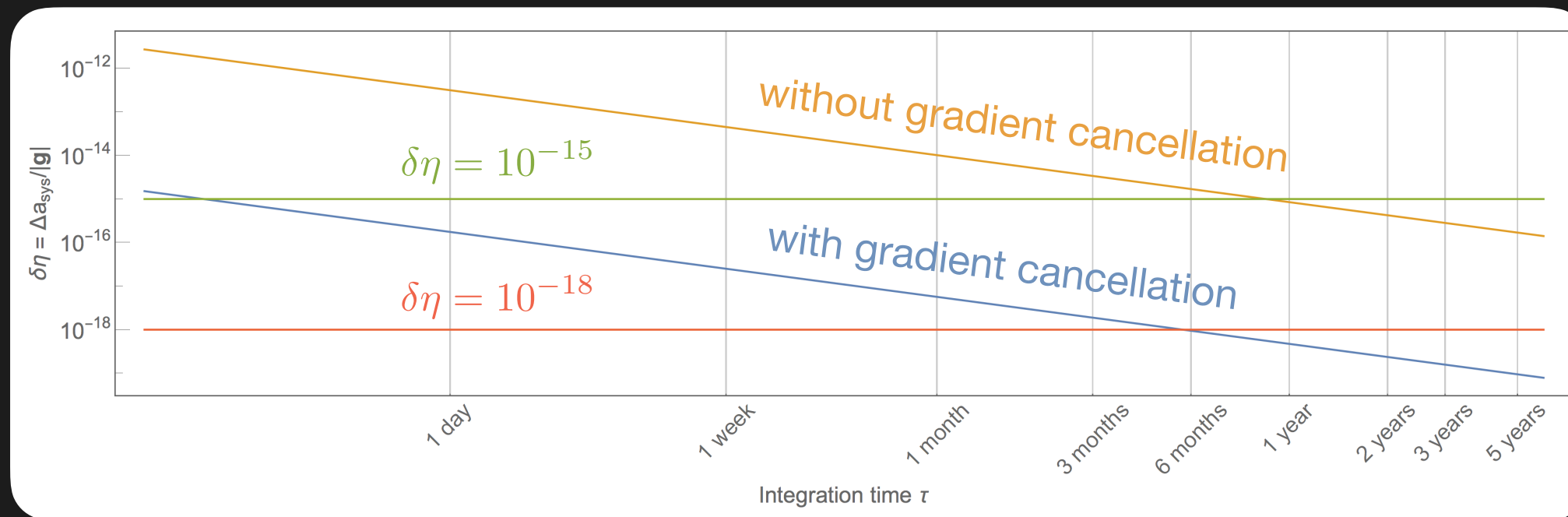
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Study case: WEP test with atom interferometry

- inertial configuration on circular orbit
- GGC: reduces verification time & improves contrast
- Demodulation: reduces residual uncertainties



assumptions:

$\delta r_0 = 1\mu\text{m}$

$\delta v_0 = 1\mu\text{m/s}$

altitude = 700km

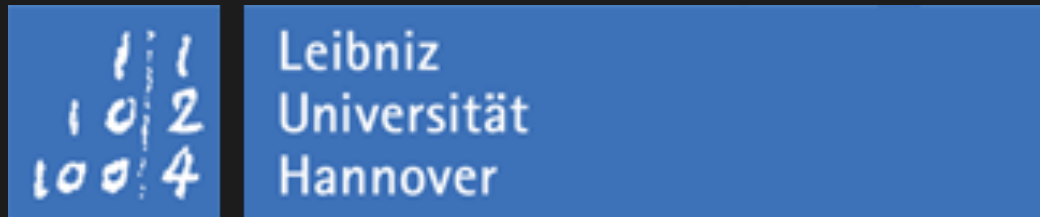
$\delta\theta = 100\text{nrad}$

$\delta f = 10\text{MHz}$

$\delta\Omega = 10\text{nrad}$

$\delta\gamma = 10^{-3}\gamma$

10^{-18} suppression of gravity gradient induced uncertainties with moderate requirements and integration time



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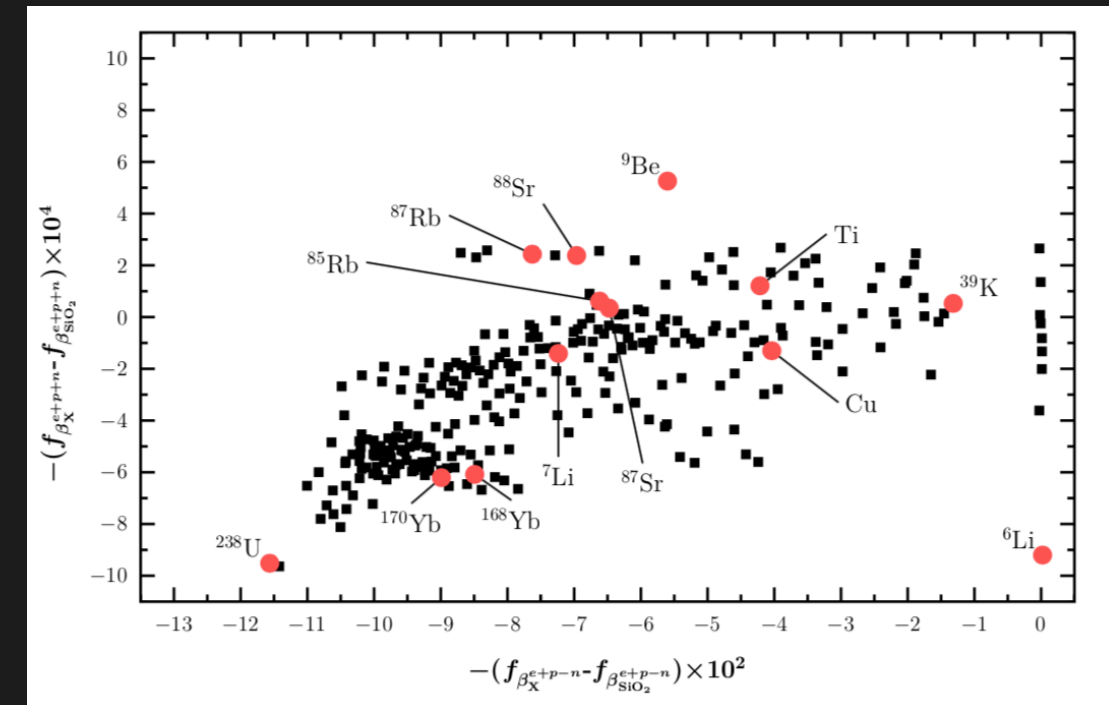
Dilaton model

$$\eta_{A,B} \cong D_1(Q'_A{}^1 - Q'_B{}^1) + D_2(Q'_A{}^2 - Q'_B{}^2)$$

Standard Model extension

$$\eta_{A,B} \cong \beta_A - \beta_B$$

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_X \equiv & f_{\beta_X^{e+p-n}} \beta^{e+p-n} + f_{\beta_X^{e+p+n}} \beta^{e+p+n} \\ & + f_{\beta_X^{\bar{e}+\bar{p}-\bar{n}}} \beta^{\bar{e}+\bar{p}-\bar{n}} + f_{\beta_X^{\bar{e}+\bar{p}+\bar{n}}} \beta^{\bar{e}+\bar{p}+\bar{n}} \end{aligned}$$



A	B	References	$Q'_A{}^1 - Q'_B{}^1$ $\times 10^4$	$Q'_A{}^2 - Q'_B{}^2$ $\times 10^4$	$f_{\beta_A^{e+p-n}} - f_{\beta_B^{e+p-n}}$ $\times 10^2$	$f_{\beta_A^{e+p+n}} - f_{\beta_B^{e+p+n}}$ $\times 10^4$	$f_{\beta_A^{\bar{e}+\bar{p}-\bar{n}}} - f_{\beta_B^{\bar{e}+\bar{p}-\bar{n}}}$ $\times 10^5$	$f_{\beta_A^{\bar{e}+\bar{p}+\bar{n}}} - f_{\beta_B^{\bar{e}+\bar{p}+\bar{n}}}$ $\times 10^4$
⁹ Be	Ti	[4]	-15.46	-71.20	1.48	-4.16	-0.24	-16.24
⁸⁵ Rb	⁸⁷ Rb	[11–13]	0.84	-0.79	-1.01	1.81	1.04	1.67
⁸⁷ Sr	⁸⁸ Sr	[14]	0.42	-0.39	-0.49	2.04	10.81	1.85
³⁹ K	⁸⁷ Rb	(this work)	-6.69	-23.69	-6.31	1.90	-62.30	0.64