# Light Sources and Interferometer Topologies - Introduction -

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8:30 Roman Schnabel (AEI) "Introduction to the session"

9:00 John Miller (MIT) "Decoherence and degradation of squeezed states in quantum filter cavities"

9:30 Andreas Sawadsky (AEI) "Dissipative opto-mechanical coupling"

10:00 BREAK

10:30 Nobuyuki Matsumoto (U Tokyo) "Classical Pendulum Feels Quantum Back-Action"

11:00 Haixing Miao (Birmingh.) "Intra-cavity filtering scheme for detecting gravitational waves"

11:30 Georgia Mansell (ANU) "In-vacuum OPO squeezer"







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## **Squeezed Light in GW Detection**

Squeezing the shot noise in

Advanced Detectors (Dual-recycled Fabry-Perot Michelson interferometers):

No filter cavities required in the <u>shot noise</u> limited regime for tuned SR.



But: Advanced detectors will be (almost) back-action-noise limited at low frequencies → Filter cavities are required.

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Only recently, back-action noise was observed for the first time.

- Observation of radiation pressure noise on a membrane
   [T. P. Purdy, R. W. Peterson, C. A. Regal, Science 339, 801 (2013)]
- Observation of ponderomotive squeezing

   [A.H. Safavi-Naeini, S. Gröblacher, J.T. Hill, J. Chan, M. Aspelmeyer, O. Painter, Nature 500,185 (2013)]
- Classical Pendulum Feels Quantum Back-Action [N. Matsumoto, Y.Michimura, G.Hayase, Y.Aso, K.Tsubono, arXiv:1312.5031]

Back-Action: Talk by Nobuyuki Matsumoto

Poster by Shiori Konisho





Introduction to Light Sources and Interferometer Topologies



#### EUROPHYSICS LETTERS

15 October 1990

Europhys. Lett., 13 (4), pp. 301-306 (1990)

#### Quantum Limits in Interferometric Measurements.

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"Photon counting noise and radiation pressure noise in a GW detector can **both** be squeezed!"

First doubts on the free-mass SQL as the ultimate limit:

W. G. Unruh, in *Quantum Optics, Experimental Gravitation, and Measurement Theory* 647–660 (Plenum, 1983),

H. P. Yuen, Phys. Rev. Lett. 51, 719 (1983)





#### Squeezing SN and RPN: Filter cavities



[Kimble et al., Phys. Rev. D 65, 022002 (2001)]



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#### **Squeezed-Light Filter Cavities**







#### **Dynamical Back-Action**

...describes a macroscopic laser power change of a cavity mode that is caused by and couples back to the mechanical motion, thereby creating an opto-mechanical oscillator.

#### Example: "Optical Spring"



#### Dynamical back-action → Spring constant No damping → Instability

[Dorsel, McCullen, Meystre, Vignes, Walther, Phys. Rev. Lett. 51, 1550 (1983)]

[Sheard, Gray, Mow-Lowry, McClelland, Whitcomb, Phys. Rev. A, 69, 051801 (2004)]





## **Dynamical Back-Action**

If the mechanical motion causes a cavity length change: "*Dispersive coupling*" (e.g.: optical spring in a GWD at dark port)

If the mechanical motion causes a cavity linewidth change: "*Dissipative coupling*" (partially e.g.: optical spring in a GWD off dark port)

The combination of dispersive and dissipative couplings produces unexpected instabilities.

[Tarabrin *et al.*, PRA 88, 023809 (2013)]

Dynamical back-action:

Talk by Andreas Sawadsky

Posters by Chunnong Zhao and by Jonathan Cripe





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Strongest directly observed squeezing so far: 12.7 dB (@1064nm), including all losses, also loss at photo diode, as well as phase noise [T. Eberle *et al.*, PRL **104**, 251102 (2010)] :

To achieve a 10 dB improvement in ET, maximally another 4% loss (at zero additional phase noise) is allowed to be imposed by the GW detector.





#### **Squeezed Light Sources**



Optical components, loss and phase noise of the GEO squeezer are already good enough for ET.

A major Goal: Realisation of a smaller and more compact design.

Squeezers:

Talk by Georgia Mansell

Poster by Eric Oelker





### **Summary and Outlook**

- "The combination of intense coherent light and squeezed vacuum is the optimum quantum approach for GW detectors
   filter cavities are required to avoid increase of back-action noise."
- "Experiments on back-action and dynamical back-action are required to verify our models (for the design of GWDs)."
- "Smaller (and possibly cheaper) squeezed light sources would be great."











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