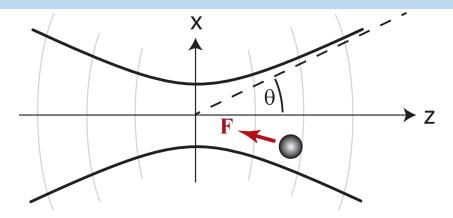
• Three presentations today

On the menu today

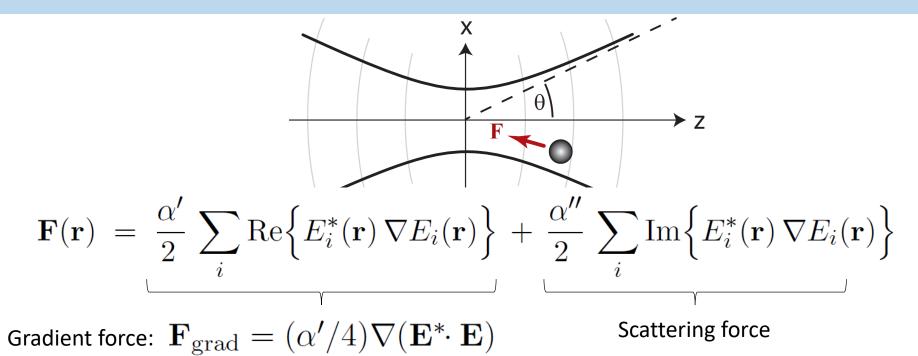
Optical forces

- Force on a dipolar scatterer
- Optical traps and optical tweezers
- Levitated optomechanics

Dipolar scatterer in focused field

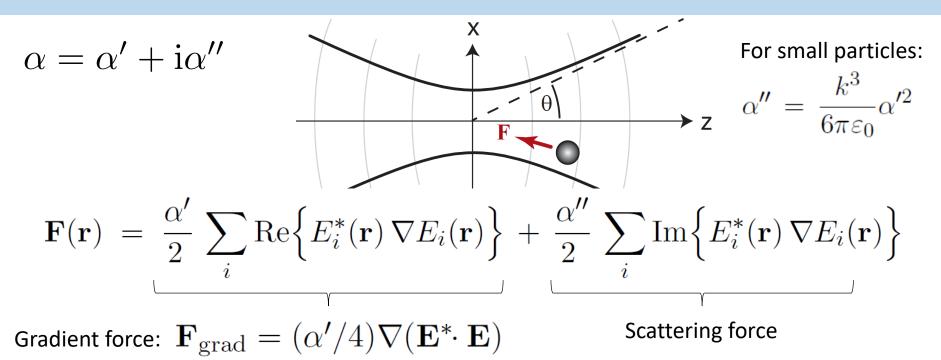


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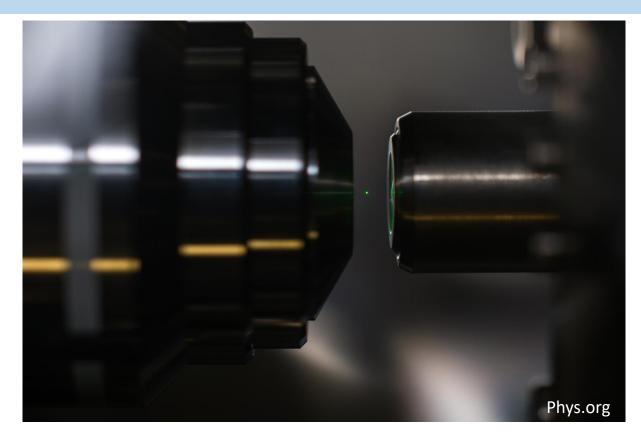
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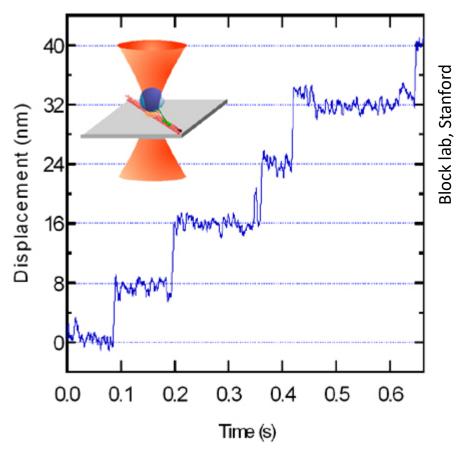
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Example: Optical trapping

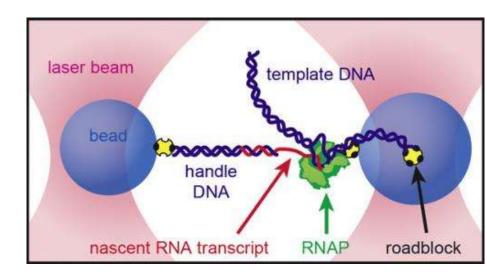


• Optical forces allow trapping and levitation of nano- and micro-particles in vacuum, gas and liquid

Applications of optical trapping in biology



- Molecular motor taking steps against a pN force
- Absolute measurement of motor force and step size

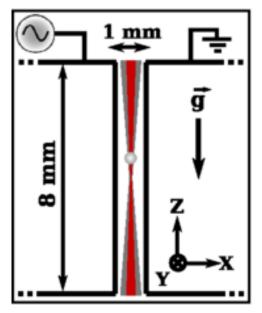


"By keeping the tension between the two beads constant and measuring the distance between them as they moved apart, Block was able to gauge the changing length of the new RNA strand.

"What we got was a blow-by-blow readout of how RNA folds as it is processed by <u>RNA polymerase</u>," said Block." (from phys.org)

Read more at: <u>https://phys.org/news/2012-10-optical-</u> tweezers-sub-nanoscale-precision-processand.html#jCp

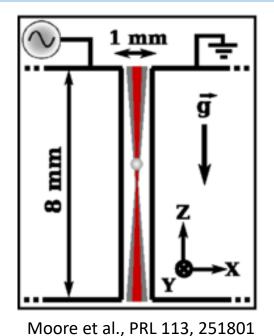
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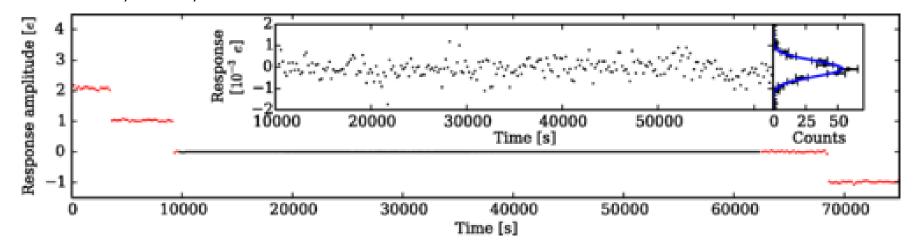
Moore et al., PRL 113, 251801

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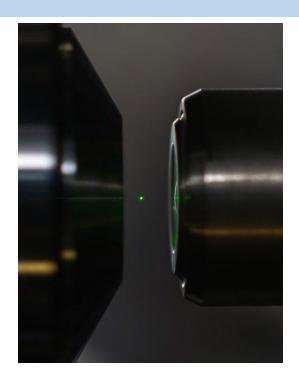
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Levitated optomechanics in vacuum

 $m\ddot{x} + m\gamma_{\rm gas}\dot{x} + m\Omega_0^2 x = F_{\rm fluct}$

- Levitated glass particle (100 nm diameter)
- Measure position by (a form of) imaging
- Observe (Brownian) motion of particle

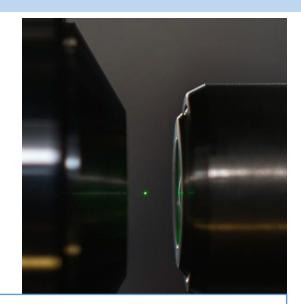


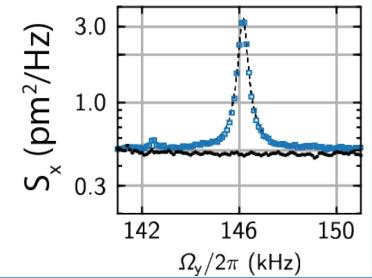
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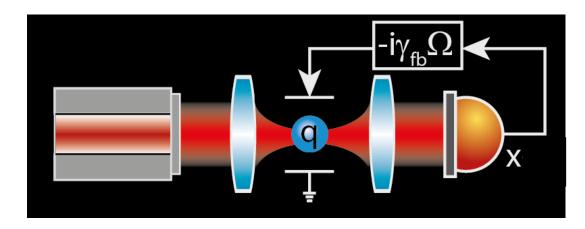
This is localization microscopy!



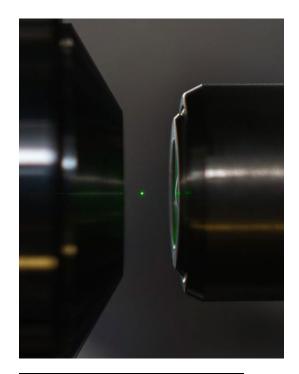


Levitated optomechanics – cold damping

 $m\ddot{x} + m\gamma_{\text{gas}}\dot{x} + m\Omega_0^2 x = F_{\text{fluct}} + F_{\text{fb}}$

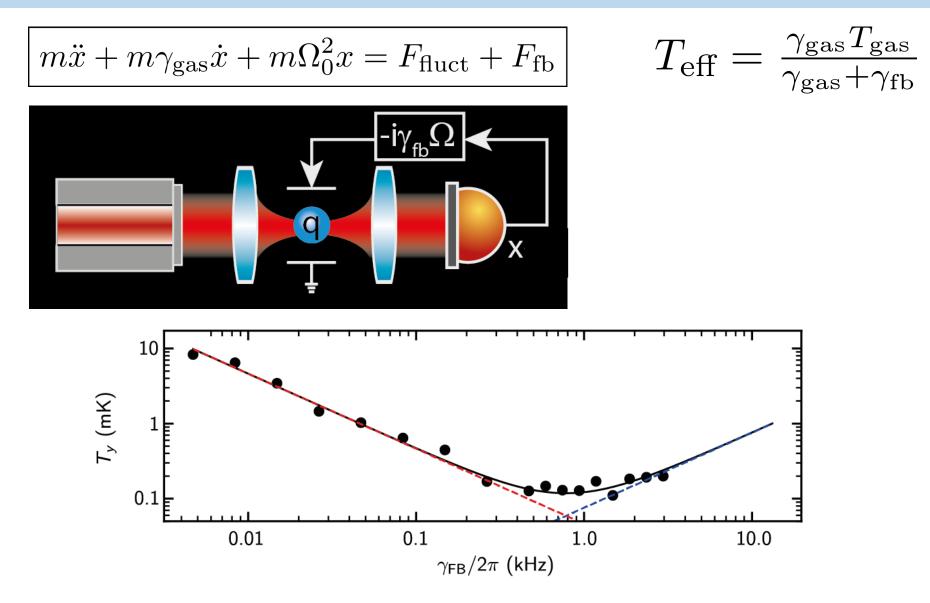


- Levitated particles carry net electric charge
- Charge can be controlled
- Charge allows us to apply a Coulomb force



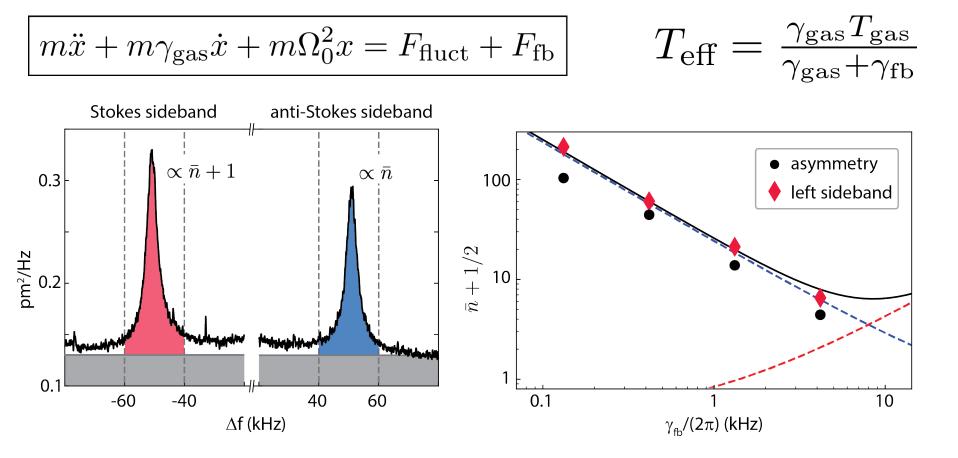
$$F_{\rm fb} = -m\gamma_{\rm fb}\dot{x}$$

Levitated optomechanics – cold damping



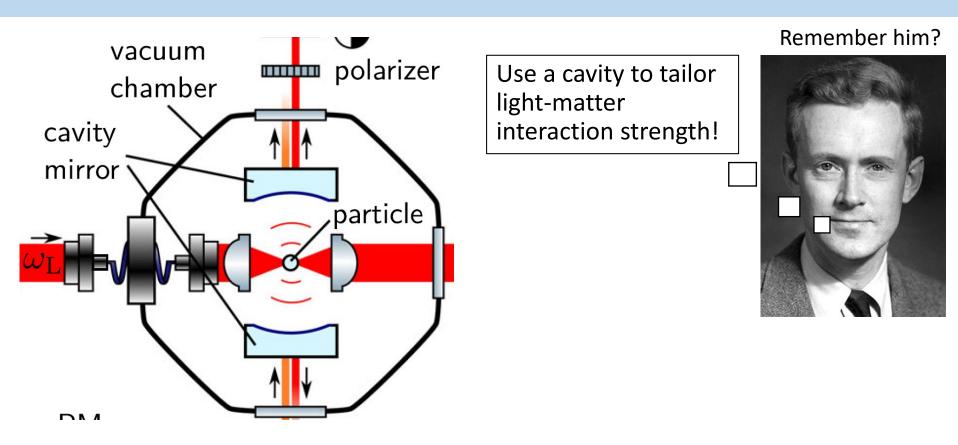
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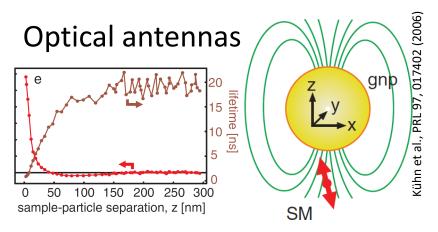


Tebbenjohanns et al., PRL 124, 013603 (2020) www.photonics.ethz.ch

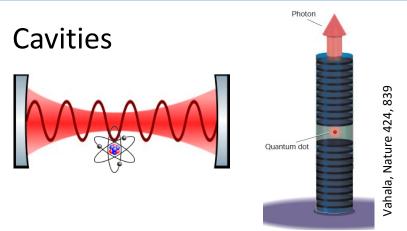
Cavity-control of a levitated nanoparticle



Photonic structures to control LDOS



- Modulate LDOS on a sub- λ scale
- Rely on resonances of conduction electrons of metal nanoparticles
- Rely on evanescent fields



- Modulate LDOS on a λ scale
- Rely on interference of propagating waves
- LDOS enhancement limited to Purcell factor

Fermi's Golden Rule

Local Density of Optical States

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Summary – light matter interaction

