

Quantum Leap

Quantum Sensors Consortium



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The Vision

To use scientific innovations and innovative technologies for implementing breakthrough quantum sensors for commercial use.

Quantum Sensors is a name for a family of products that enable the high precision measurement of basic physical parameters such as **time and frequency (atomic clocks)**, **magnetism**, **gravity** and acceleration.

These devices find extensive uses in civil and military systems in communications, location, navigation, computer networks, geo-sensing, medicine, borders protection, earthquake forecasting and more

The Purpose

To develop a variety of generic technologies and methods used in **quantum sensing** to enable the realization of commercial products that challenge the existing sensors in parameters of accuracy, stability, size, operating power, price, and other parameters.

Quantum Sensors

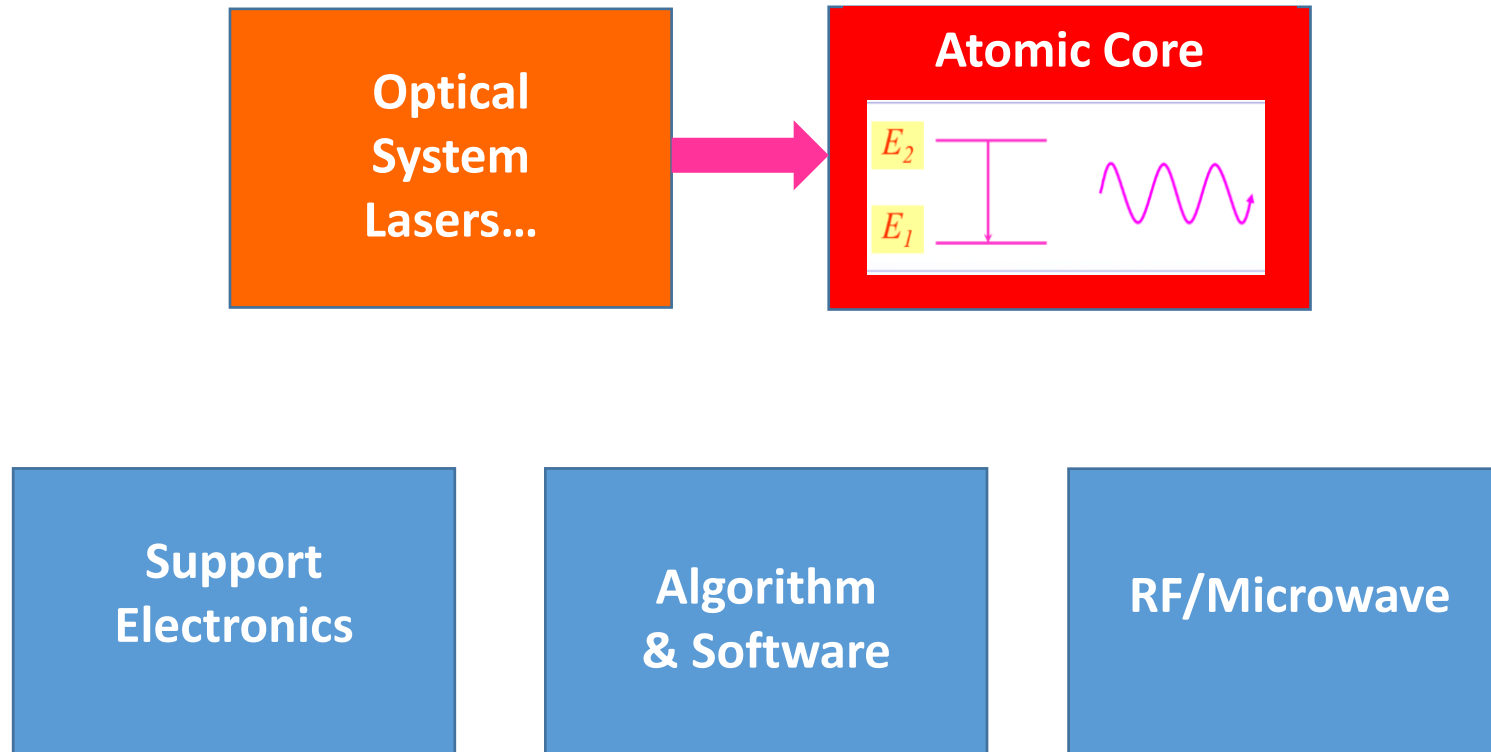
Quantum sensing is typically used to describe one of the following:

- I. **Use of a quantum object** to measure a physical quantity (classical or quantum). The quantum object is characterized by quantized energy levels. Specific examples include electronic, magnetic or vibrational states of superconducting or spin qubits, neutral atoms, or trapped ions.
- II. **Use of quantum coherence** (i.e., wavelike spatial or temporal superposition states) to measure a physical quantity
- III. **Use of quantum entanglement** to improve the sensitivity or precision of a measurement, beyond what is possible classically

From: “Quantum Sensing”, C. L. Degen, F. Reinhard, P. Cappellaro
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Quantum Sensors presented in this consortium: Atomic Clocks, Magnetometers, Gravimeters

Quantum Sensors Common Blocks

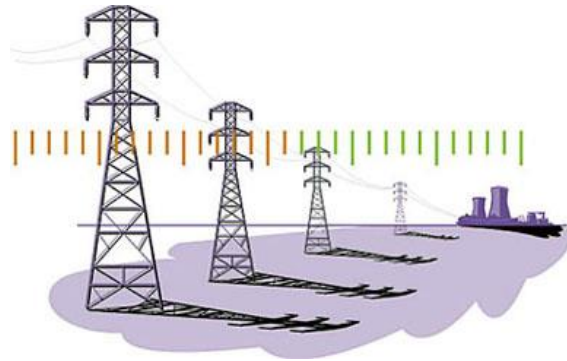


Applications & Market – Clocks & Timing

Civilian

US Homeland Security Report: 15 out of 19 Critical Infrastructures rely on GPS Timing which is vulnerable to spoofing & jamming

- Communication
- Networks
- Oil exploration
- Power Systems
- Finance
- Navigation
- Secure & backup for GPS/GNSS



Military

- Communication
- Navigation
- Radar
- C4I
- EW
- IFF
- GNSS Spoofing Detection
- Missile Guidance



Market Size: For miniature clocks only –\$2.4B per year

Applications & Market – Magnetometers

Civilian

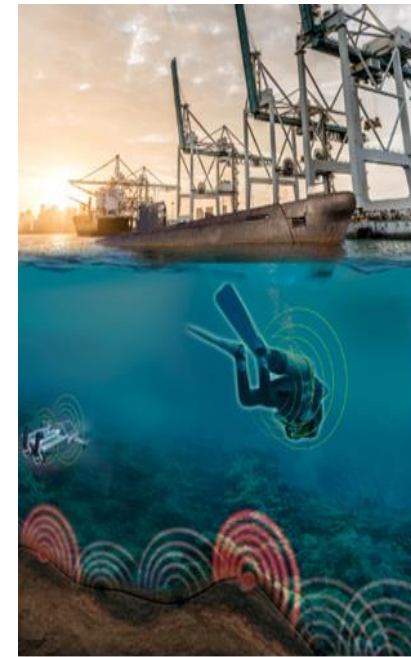
- Land & Marine Perimeter Protection
- Communication & Pipelines Infrastructure
- Geophysical Mapping
- Humanitarian Demining
- Medical Magnetometry
- Transportation



Market Size: 100-200M\$

Military

- Mines, UXO & IED Detection
- Perimeter Monitoring Protection
- Submarine Detection
- Borders Control
- Tunnels Detection



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Core Industries

AccuBeat

- Mini. Clocks
- Cold Clock
- Time/Freq. Dissemination

IAI-RAMTA

- Magnetometer High Field
- Multi Sensor System

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- Magnetometers Low field
- Gravimeters

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- Quantum devices miniaturization (mainly clocks)

Academia

BGU -Folman

- Cold Atoms
- Magnetomtr.

BGU - Shuker

- Magnetomtrs
- Clocks?

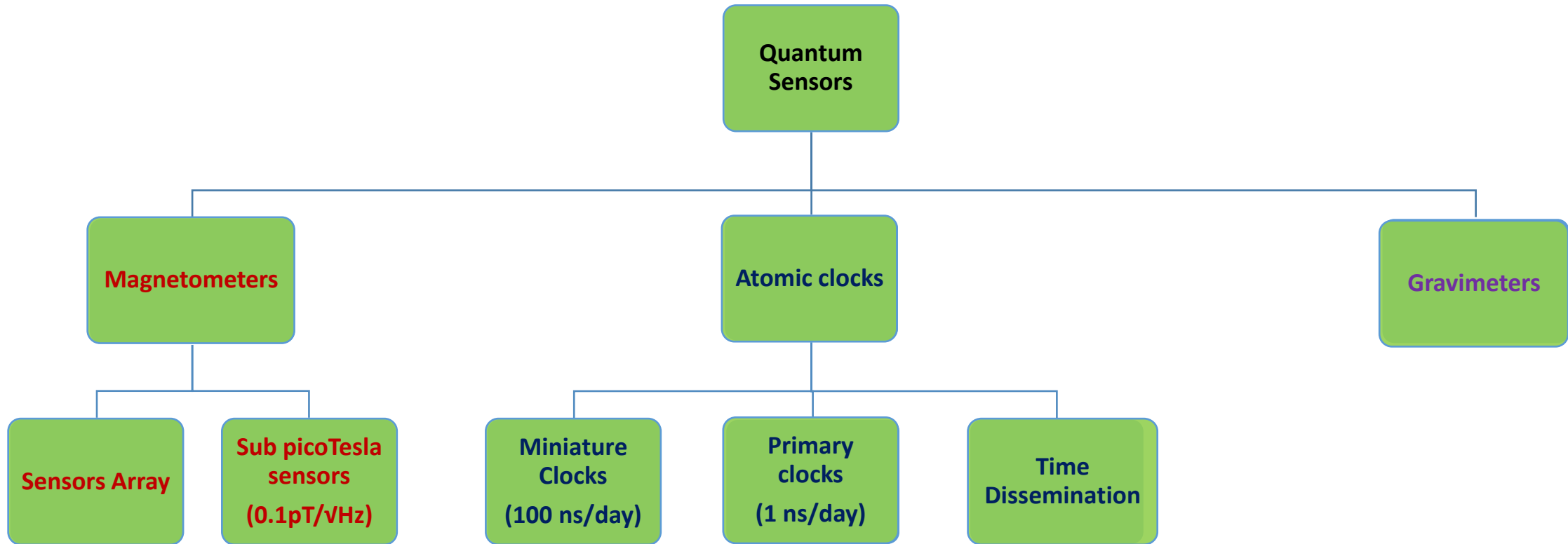
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- Optical clocks
- T/F Disseminati.

WIZ –Dav./First.

- Magnetomtrs
- Gravimeters

R&D Vectors



Initiator: **Ramta**

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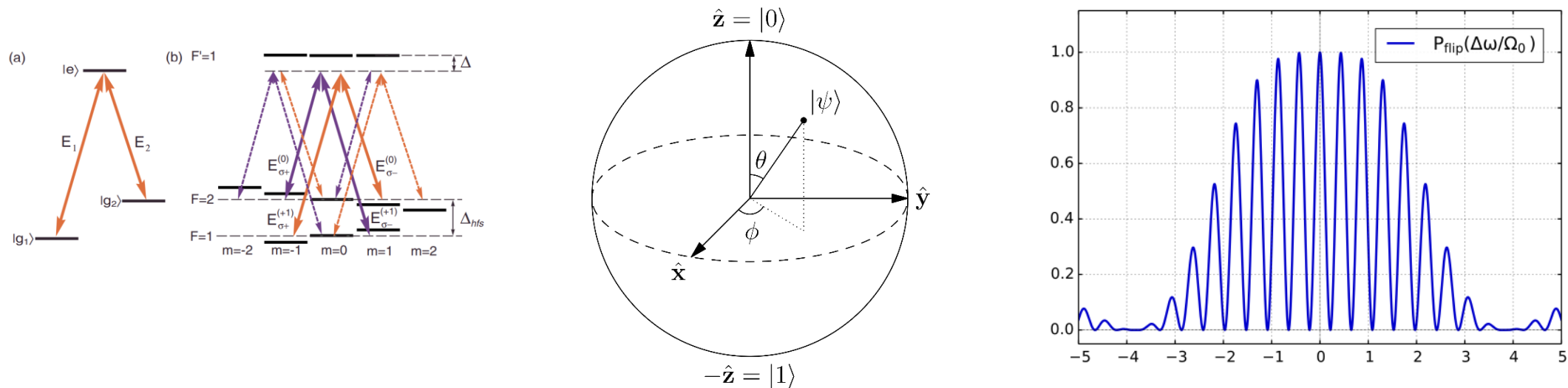
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The Technologies

Methods for preparing and interrogating the quantum state

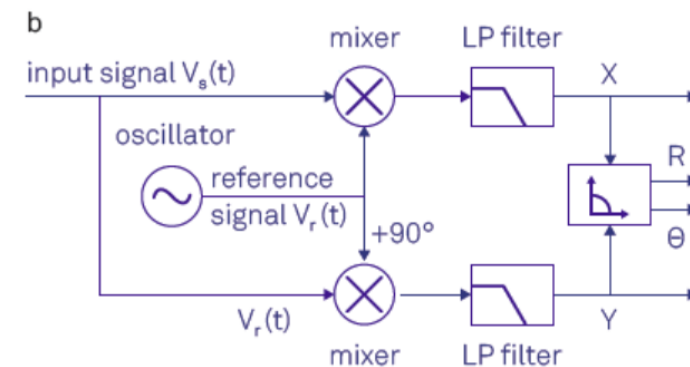
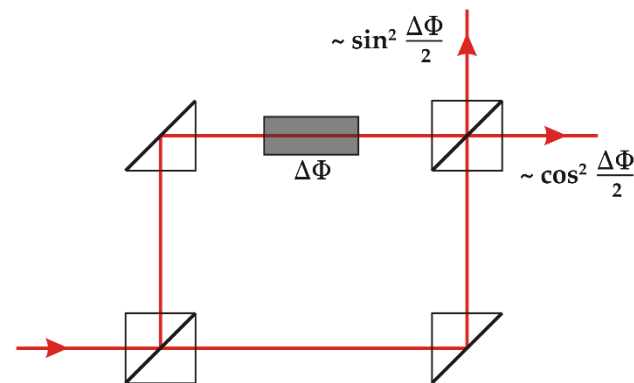
For example, polarization of atoms by optical pumping, phase measurement between two states in the Ramsey method, preparing and interrogating the coherence of an anti-symmetric superposition state in Coherent Population Trapping.



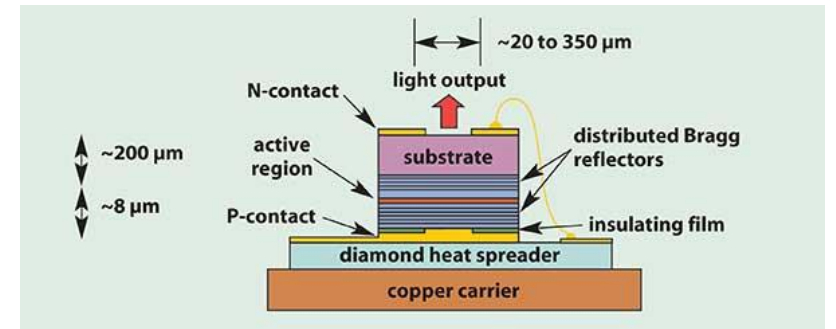
The Technologies

Methods for signal and noise processing and control –

- Algorithm for extracting the sensor's signal from the noise and improving signal to noise ratio.
- Stabilizing parameters using control methods.
- Noise reduction beyond the quantum boundary.
- Interferometry methods for signal detection.



The Technologies



Narrow linewidth modulated lasers –

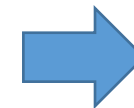
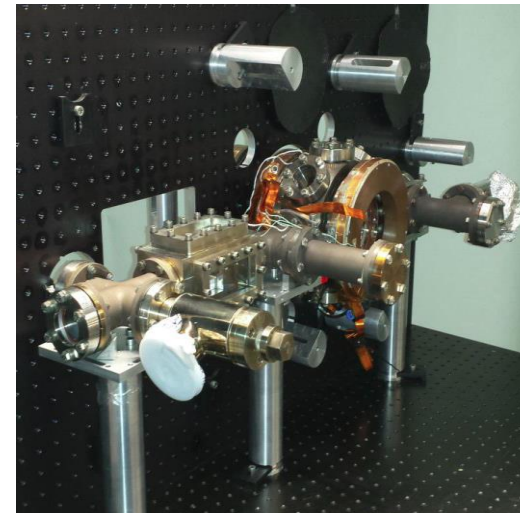
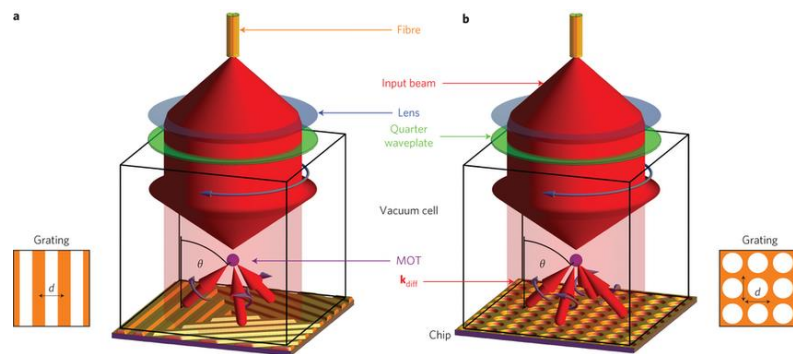
Development of Vcsel diode lasers with enhanced performance:

- Narrow linewidth (<10 MHz; today ~100 MHz),
- High power (> 10 mw; today ~2 mW)
- integrated modulators for, power, phase and polarization. .

The Technologies

Cells for hot and cold atoms –

Technologies for the production of vapor cells of alkaline metals in glass or MEMS. Technologies for cooling and maintaining atoms and ions. Miniaturized vacuum cells for holding of hot and cold atoms and ions.



The Technologies

Miniaturization and industrialization of optical systems-

- Optical placement methods
- Micro integration of elements
- “On chip” integrated optics
- Meeting with real environmental conditions

END OF PRESENTATION



RUBIDIUM ATOMIC CLOCKS

**GPS-Synchronized Rubidium Clocks
Time & Frequency Systems**

Nano Atomic Clock – NAC 1

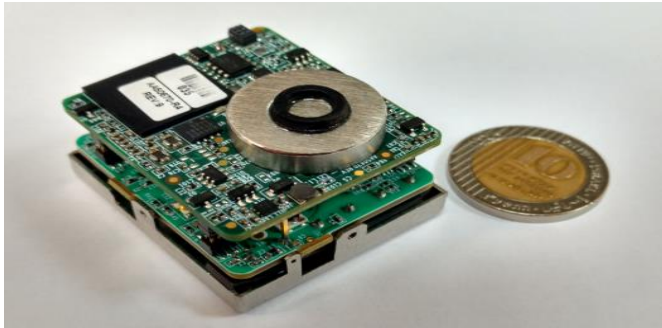
Based on CPT interaction



No MW cavity is required



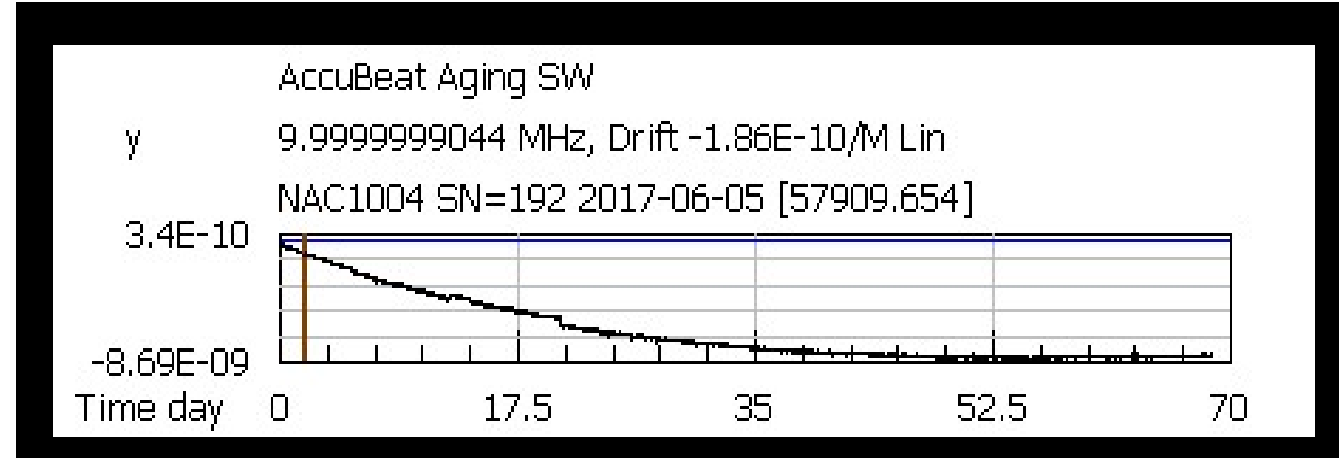
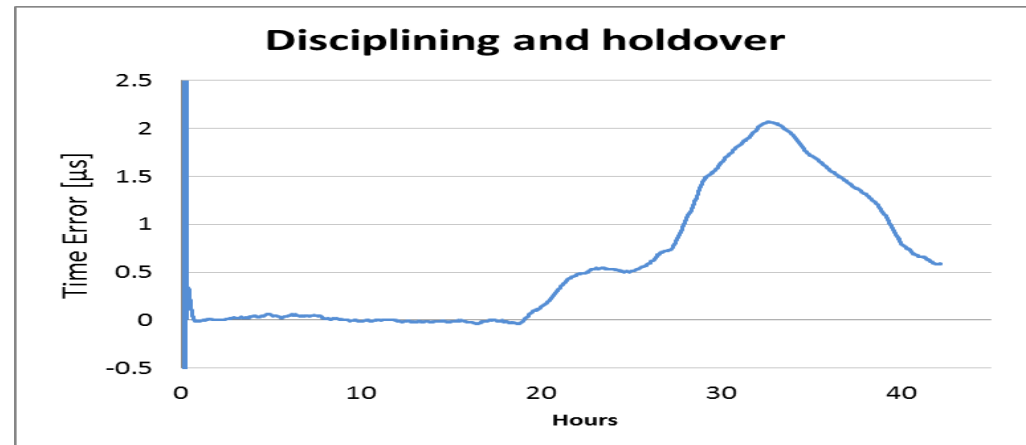
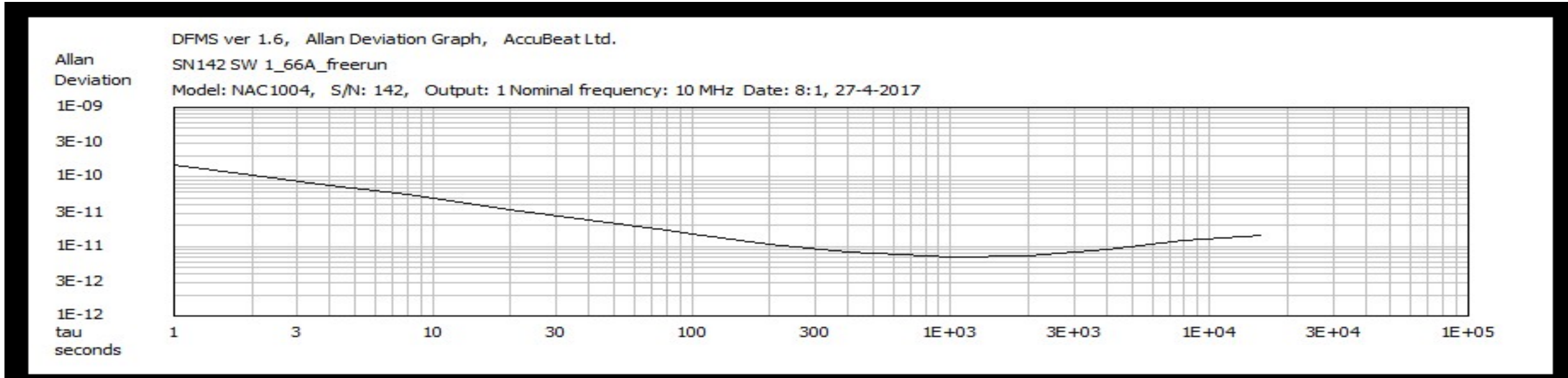
Miniaturization is enabled



Phase noise (floor): $-150\text{dBc} / \text{Hz}$
Stability: $1\text{E}-10 @ 1\text{s}$; $8\text{E}-12 @ 1000\text{s}$
Power Consumption: $< 1.2\text{W}$
Size: 32cc ($41.1\text{mm} \times 35.3\text{mm} \times 22\text{mm}$)

NAC 1 - performances

SN142 – ADEV free run 20 Hours at room Temperature



Technological demonstrator

Clock operation:

Pyramid MOT

1M atoms @ 7 μ K
Inert magnetic shielding

Falling for 20 ms

Heat sink

Ramsey spectroscopy

Single optical axis system

Normalized imaging

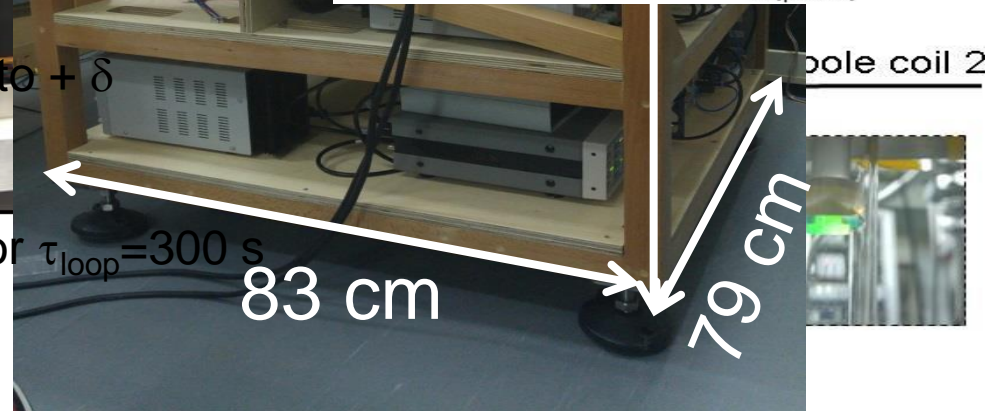
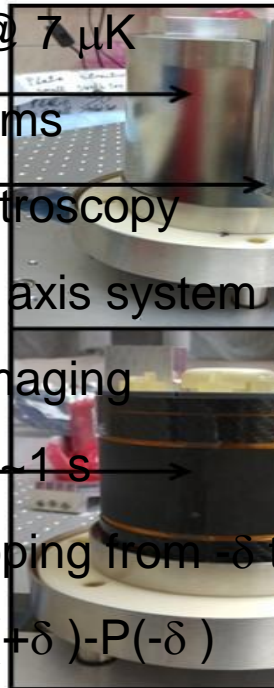
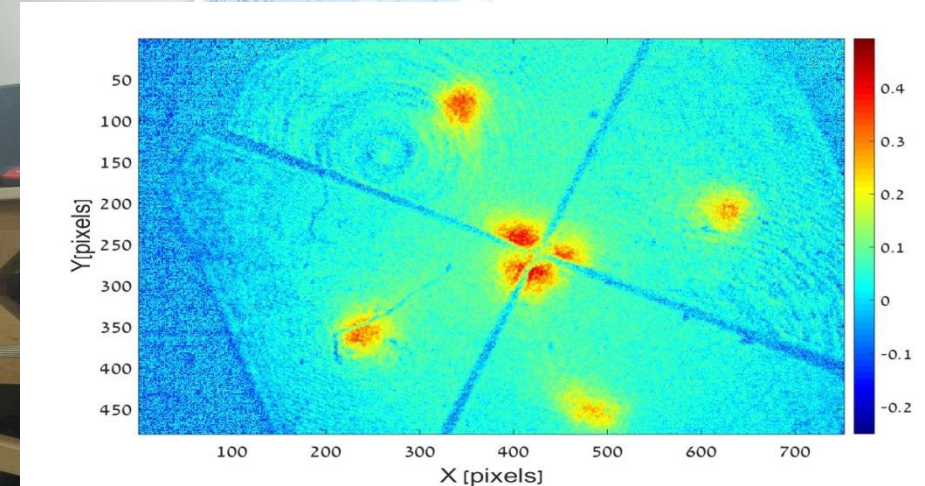
Ω field coil

Cycle time of 1 s

Frequency hopping from $-\delta$ to $+\delta$

Computing $P(+\delta) - P(-\delta)$

Correcting a local oscillator $\tau_{loop} = 300$ s



Cold atoms clock

Achievements & Results

Results in BGU 24/5/17

~20 ns per day during 3 days!

