

# THE MIGA ANTENNA: NEW PERSPECTIVES FOR HIGH PRECISION GRAVITY MEASUREMENTS

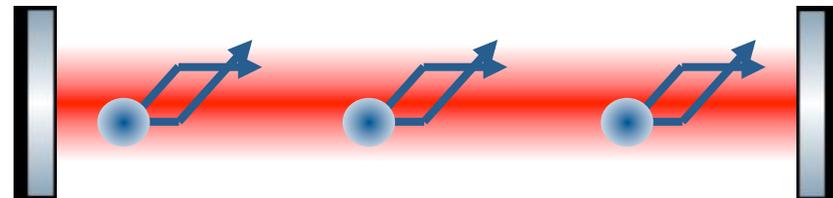
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# Outline

- Introduction
- New generation of low frequency GW detectors with AI and GGN
- The MIGA antenna and LSBB environment.
- Future GW detector geometries enabling GGN reduction
- Conclusion

Build a new instrument combining matter-wave and laser interferometry



- Gravitational wave physics
  - Demonstrator for future sub-Hz ground based GW detectors
- Geoscience
  - Gravity sensitivity of  $10^{-10}$  g/Sqrt(Hz) @ 2Hz
  - Gradient sensitivity of  $10^{-13}$  s<sup>-2</sup>/Sqrt(Hz) @ 2Hz: geology, hydrogeology...



A Large research infrastructure hosted in a low noise laboratory



- A 200 m horizontal optical cavity coupled with 3 AI
- Possible evolutions towards 2D or 3D instrument on site

# New generation of low frequency GW detectors with AI and GGN

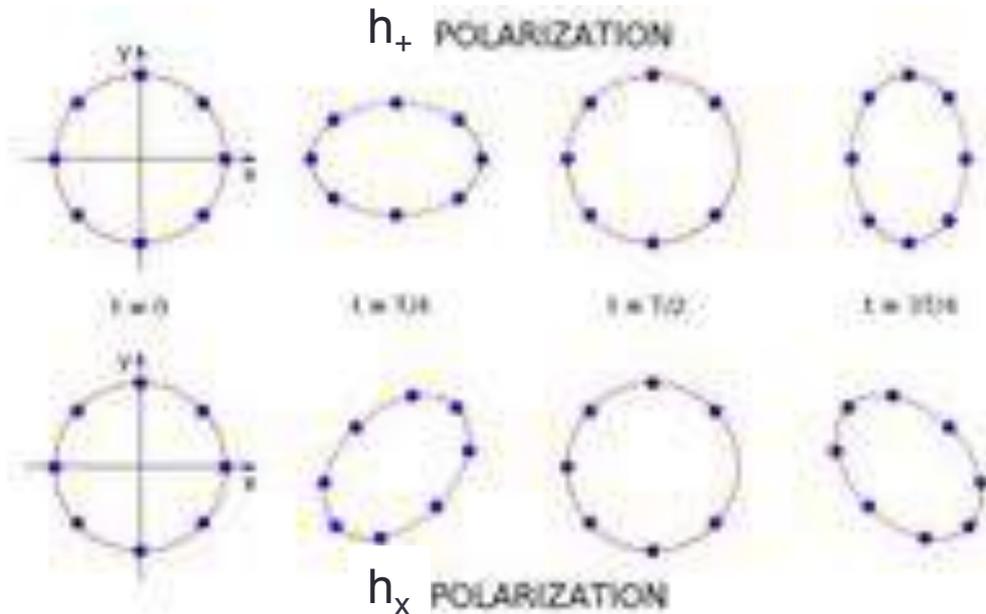
# Gravitational Waves...

Einstein: mass + acceleration = **GRAVITATIONAL WAVES**

**GW**: transverse space-time distortions  
propagating at the speed of light,  
2 independent polarizations  
GW alternately squeeze and stretch space in  
perpendicular directions.

$$\mathbf{h}(z, t) = e^{i(\omega t - kz)} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & h_+ & h_\times & 0 \\ 0 & h_\times & -h_+ & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Effect of plus and cross polarized GW on a ring of free falling test masses



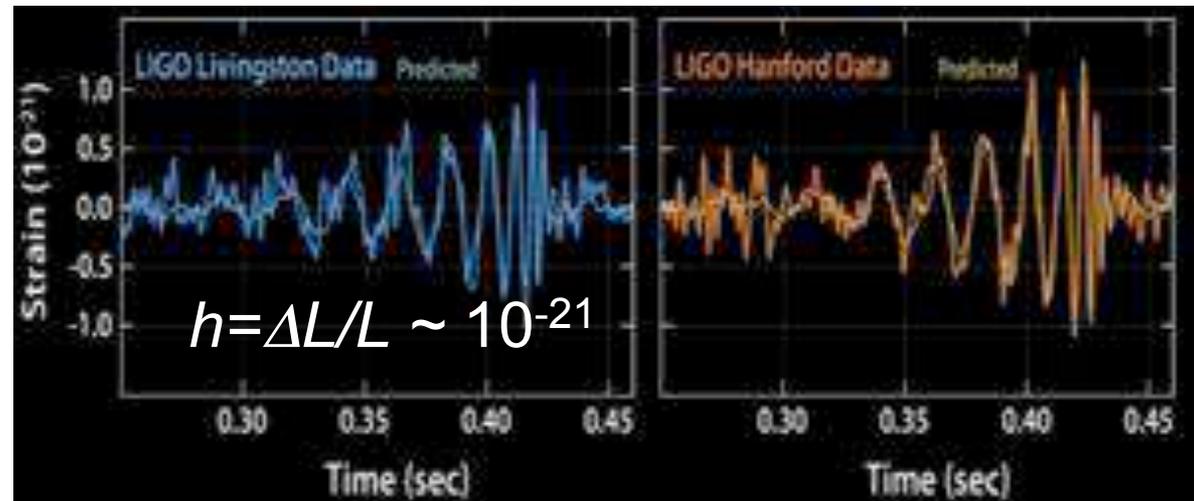
Gravitational wave strengths are characterized by the dimensionless amplitude  $h$ :

$h = \mathbf{dL}/L$  ( $dL$  is the variation of distance between 2 masses separated by a length  $L$ )

The sensitivity of detectors is fundamentally proportional to its length.

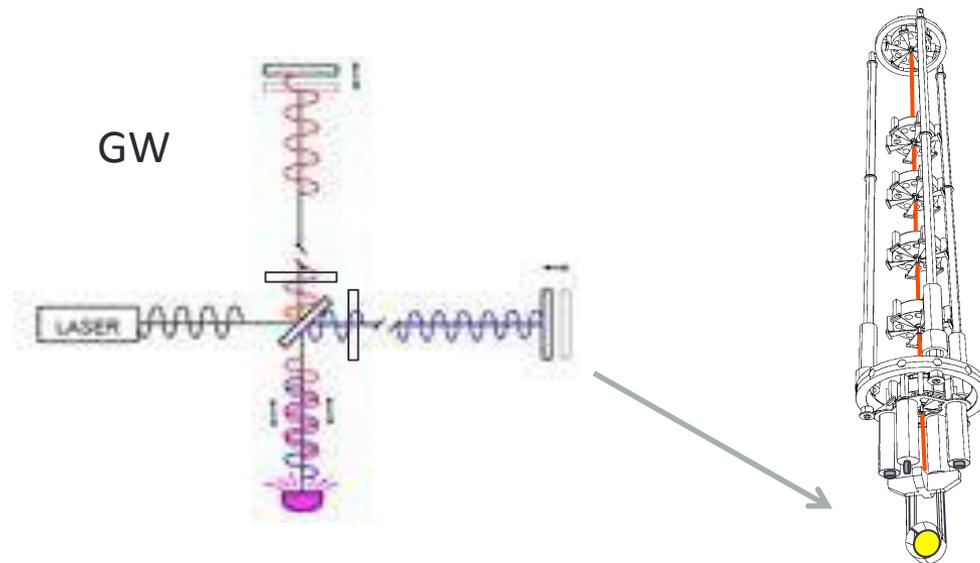
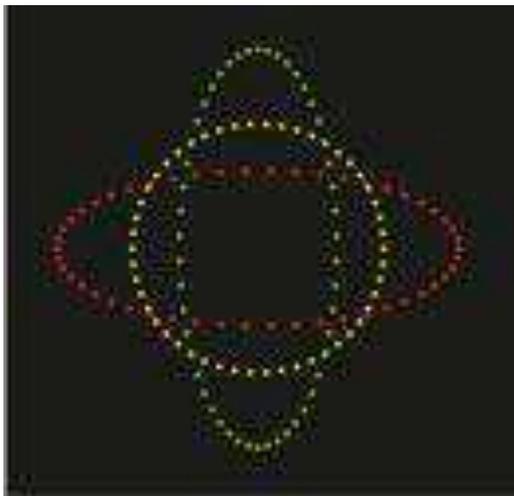
# Gravitational Wave detection...

- First direct observation  
14/09/2015
- Coalescence of a black hole  
binary system ( $36 M_{\odot} + 29 M_{\odot}$ )
- Open the way towards  
« gravitational astronomy »

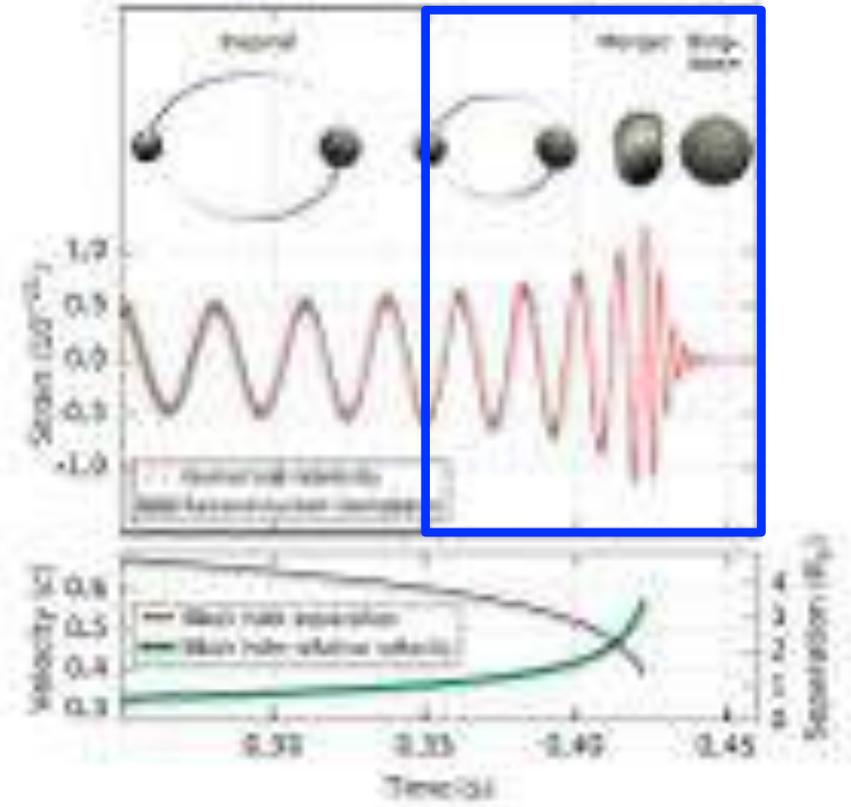
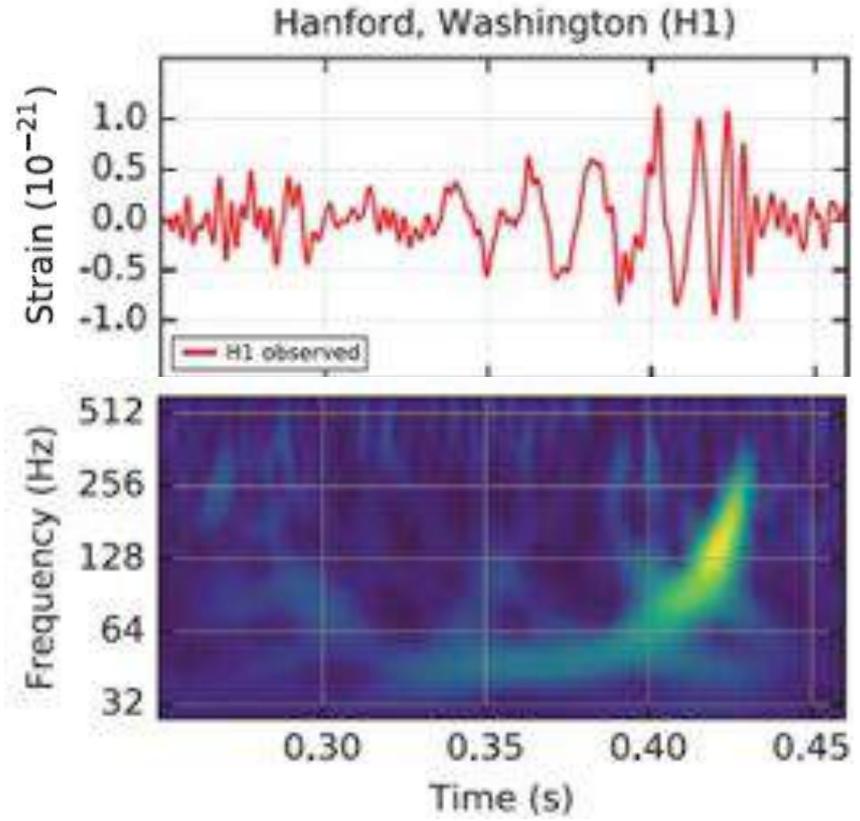


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## Interferometric detectors



# Overcoming the limitations of state-of-the-art GW detectors



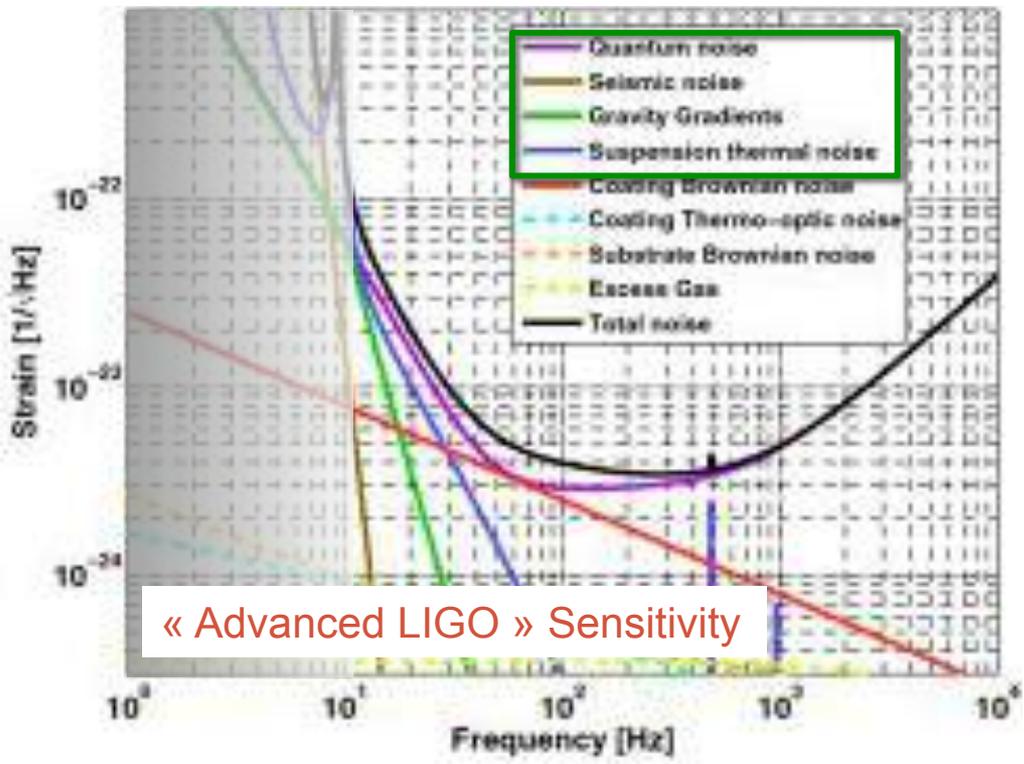
- State-of-the-art GW detectors sense the ultimate evolution phase of binary systems
- A transient of a few hundreds of ms which corresponds to system coalescence

With low frequency detectors ( $f < 1\text{Hz}$ )

- Observation of the same sources on quasi continuous timescales  $T \propto f_{GW}^{-8/3}$

A new astronomy is possible with low frequency detectors

# How to extend the frequency band of state-of-the-art GW detectors?



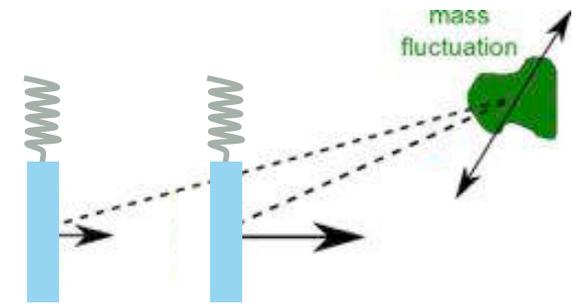
Limitations for  $f < 10$  Hz:

- Radiation pressure noise
- Imperfections of Mirror suspensions
- « Gravity gradient » noise



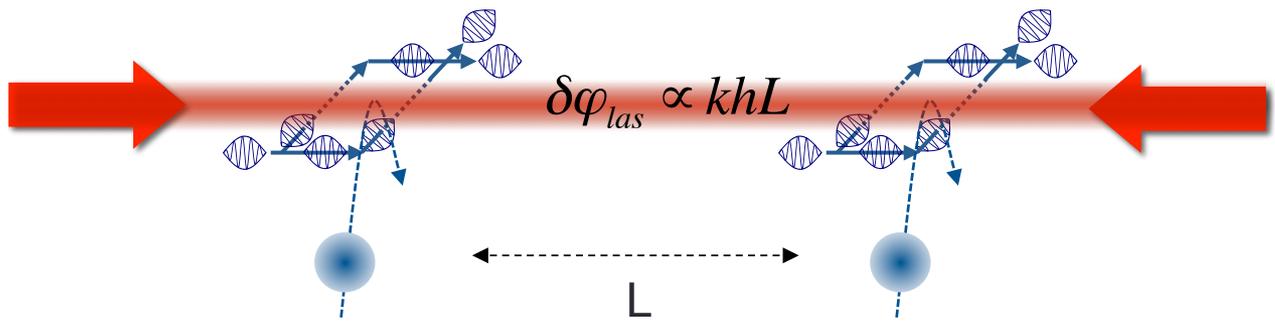
« Gravity Gradient » noise

Fluctuations of the Earth gravity field



# Cold atoms for GW detection ?

Let's use free falling atoms as "test masses" instead of mirrors



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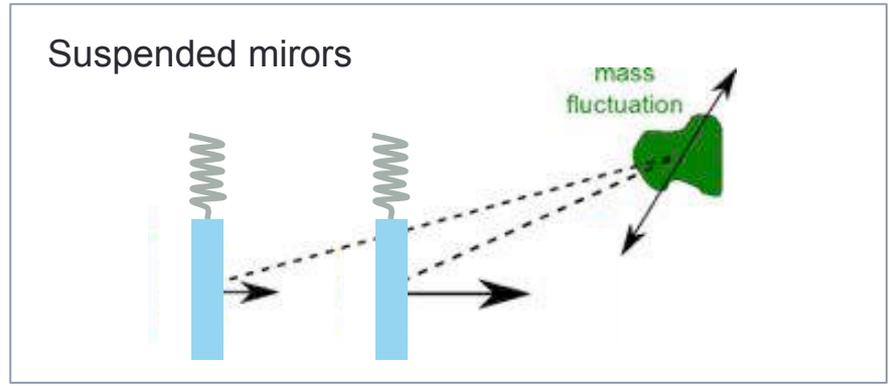
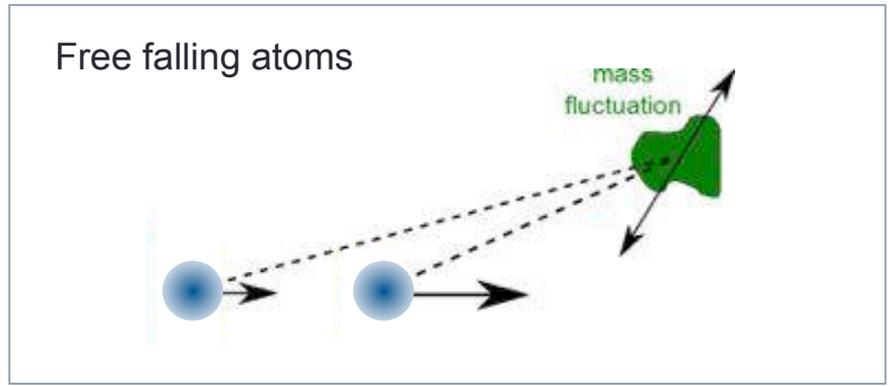
**Atomic gravitational wave interferometric sensor**

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Enable to overcome:

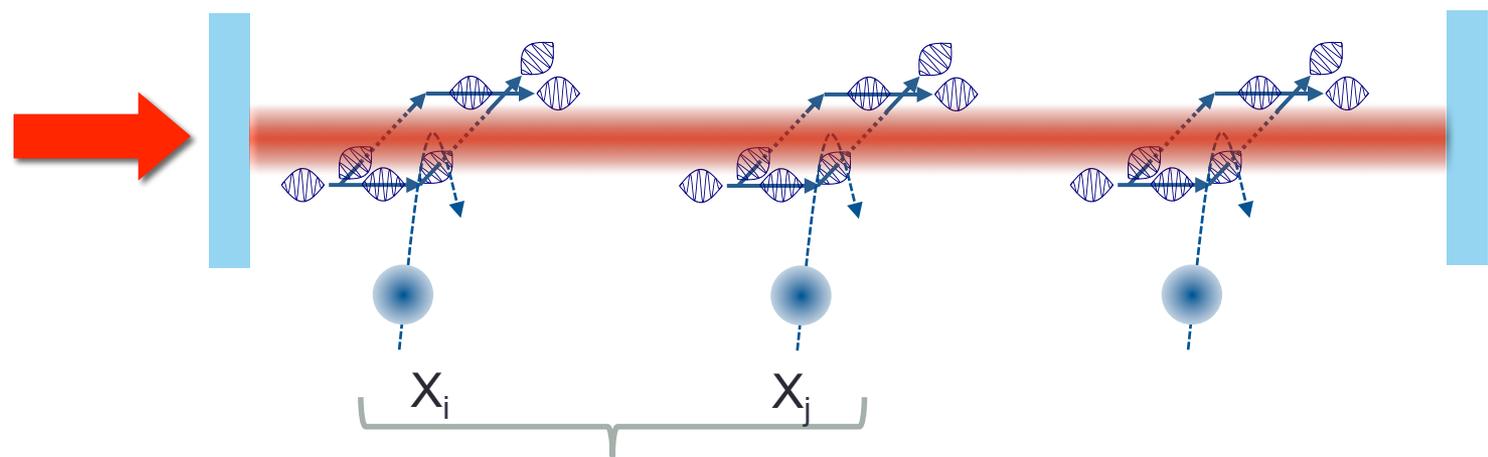
- Limitations related to suspension systems.
- Radiation pressure noise.

**Sensitivity to Gravity Gradient Noise is the same !**



# Networks of AIs for Gravity Gradient Noise cancellation

## Example of the MIGA Geometry



$$\Delta\phi_{at}^i - \Delta\phi_{at}^j \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bullet \text{ Effet GW} \quad \propto kh(X_i - X_j) \\ \bullet \text{ Gravity gradient} \quad \propto 2kT^2 [a(X_i) - a(X_j)] \end{array} \right.$$

Discrimination between GW effects and gravity gradients using the spatial resolution of the antenna

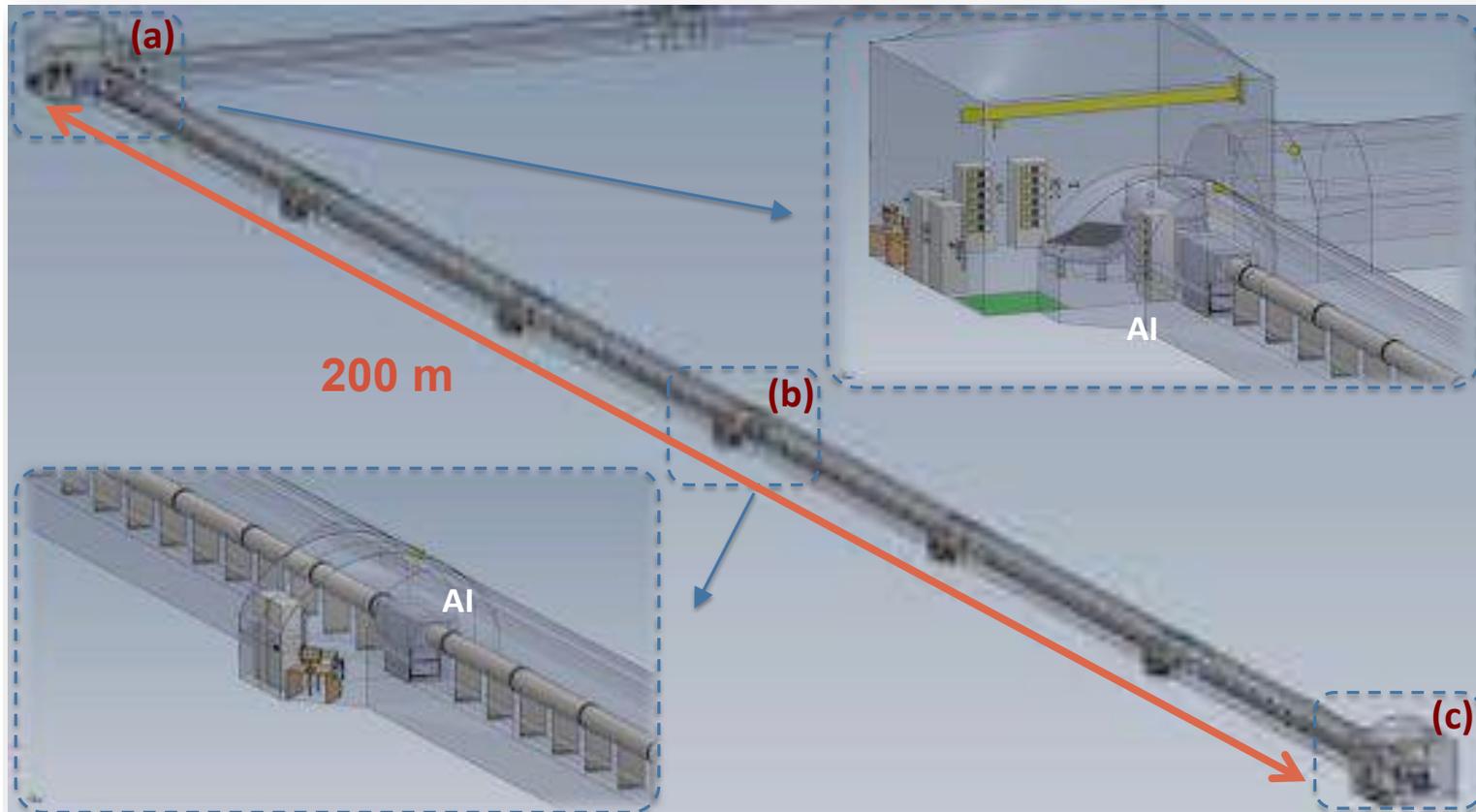
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**Low frequency gravitational wave detection with ground-based atom interferometer arrays**  
 W. Chaibi,<sup>1,7</sup> R. Geiger,<sup>2,7</sup> B. Canuel,<sup>3</sup> A. Bertoldi,<sup>3</sup> A. Landragin,<sup>2</sup> and P. Bouyer<sup>3</sup>  
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- Low frequency (10<sup>-2</sup>-10 Hz) GW detection limited by detection noise
- Measures of the local gravity field = Geoscience

The MIGA antenna and LSBB site.

# The MIGA Instrument

- An array of AI installed in a low noise underground laboratory (LSBB)

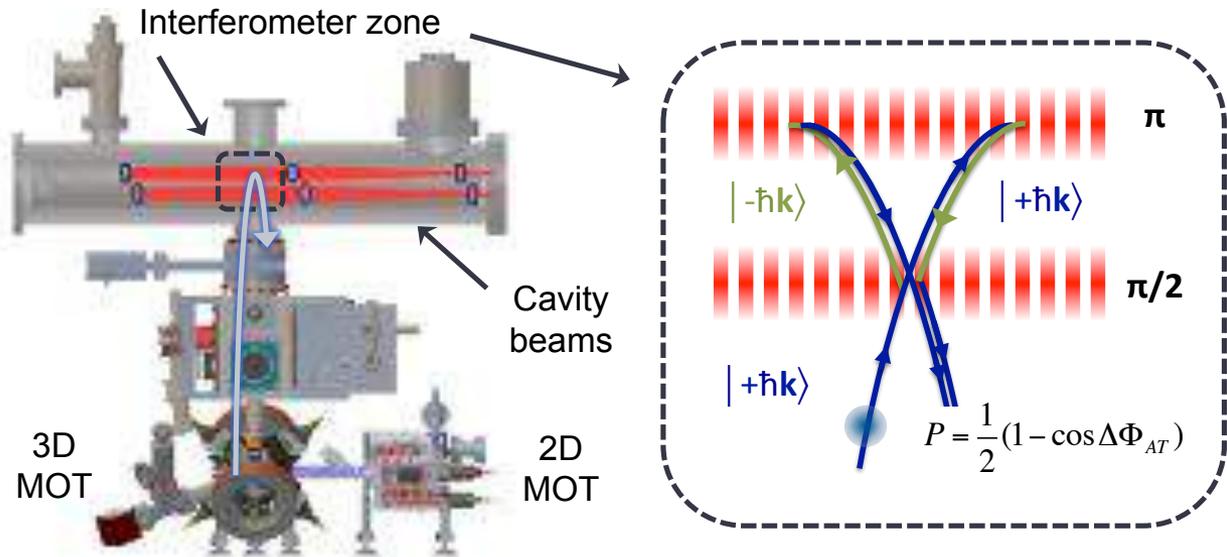


**Study coupling at low frequency between Geophysics and GW signals.**

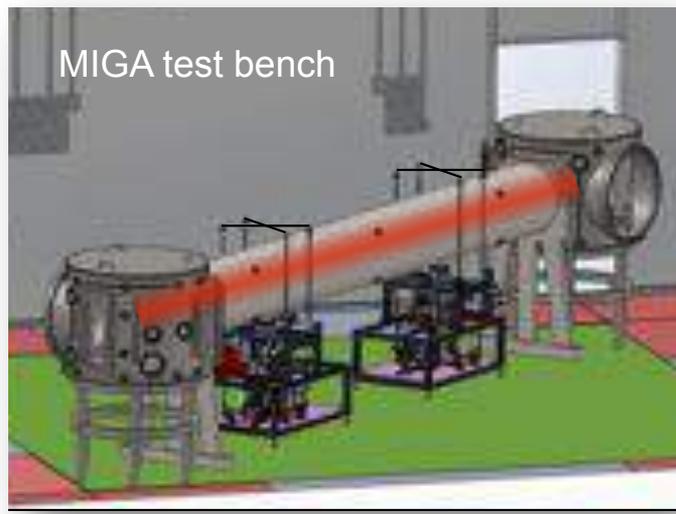
**Study new measurements methods for geophysics**

Access to gravity gradients and higher orders ->3D mapping of local gravity

# MIGA: Status 1/2



Rb 87 atoms trapped in a 3D MOT loaded by a 2D MOT.



Two other AIs in production to start assembling a reduced size antenna (10 m)



- A dismissed military facility
- Former command centre for nuclear force



- Infrastructure works will start end 2017
- MIGA installation: mid 2019

200 m



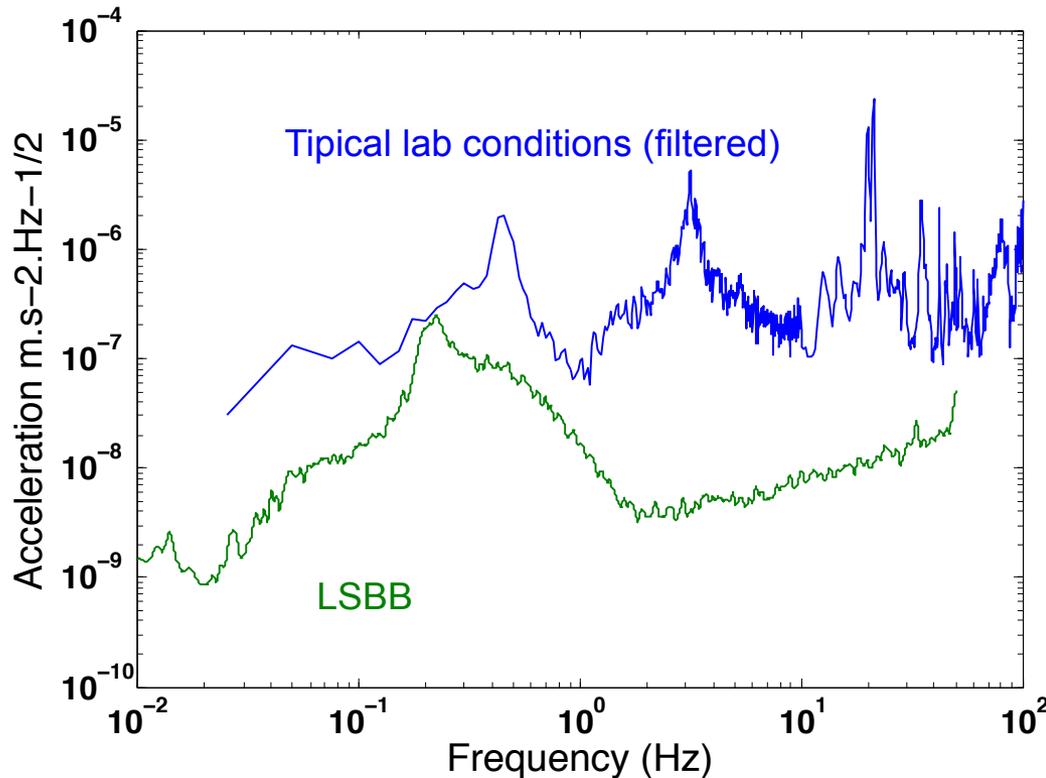
Station C. Installation pour...  
Barrage C. Barrage pour...  
Galerie C. Galerie souterraine...  
Entrée de 1:5000

# LSBB, a low noise site for MIGA



Environmental noise may prevent to reach detection noise (quantum noise) easily.

Usual suspects: **seismic** and magnetic noise



RMS noise on AI measurements induced by seismic noise:

$$\sigma_{\phi} = 640 \text{ mrad} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \sigma_{\phi} = 60 \text{ mrad}$$

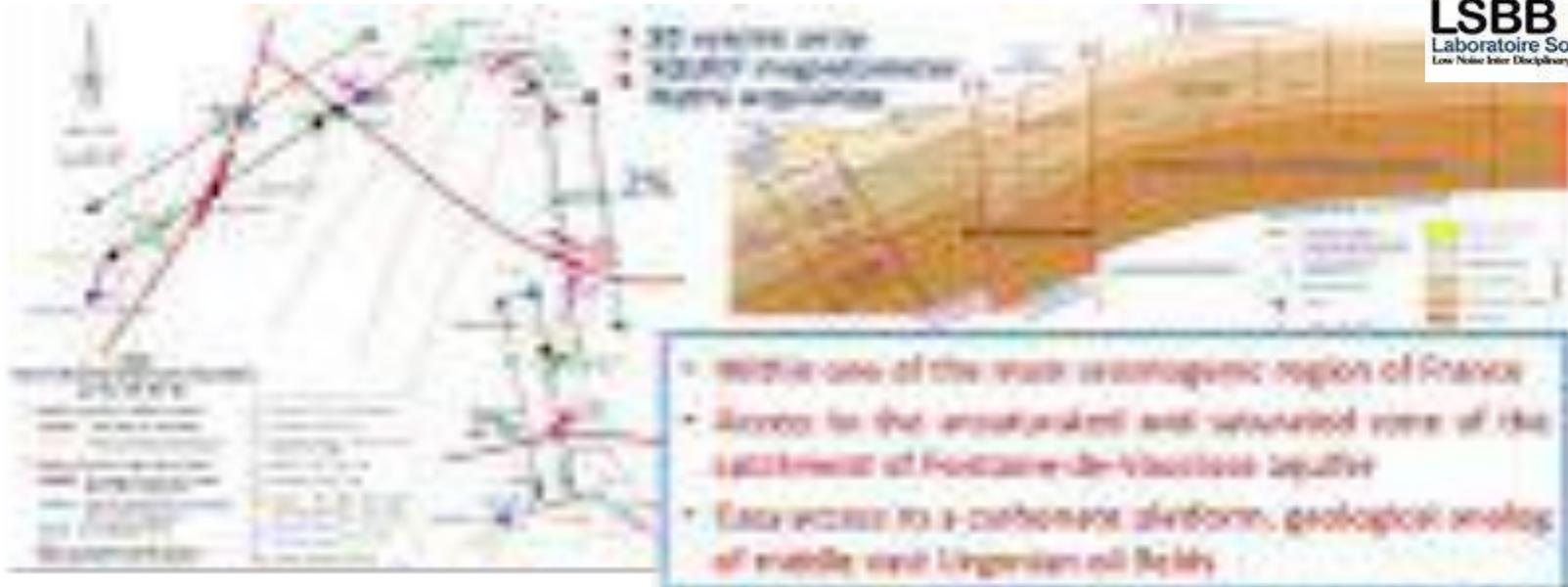
Underground operation enables AI to reach optimal performances

See T. Farah, et al., *Gyroscopy Navig.* **5**, 266 (2014).

$$\approx 5 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ g} = 0.5 \text{ } \mu\text{Gal}$$



# LSBB, a site of geological interest

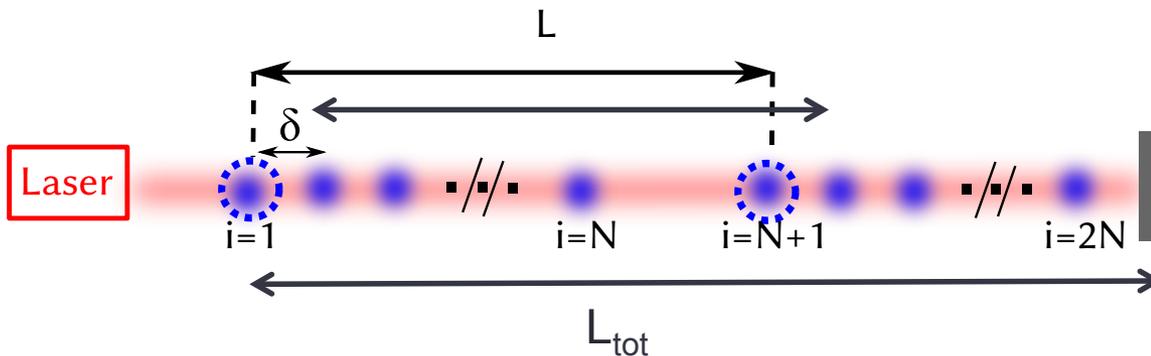


MIGA: Access to gravity gradient & higher orders, long term fluctuations

Future detector geometries enabling GGN reduction.

# Further MIGA: future GW detectors enabling GGN cancellation

Dense arrays of Atom Interferometers could be used as future GW detectors



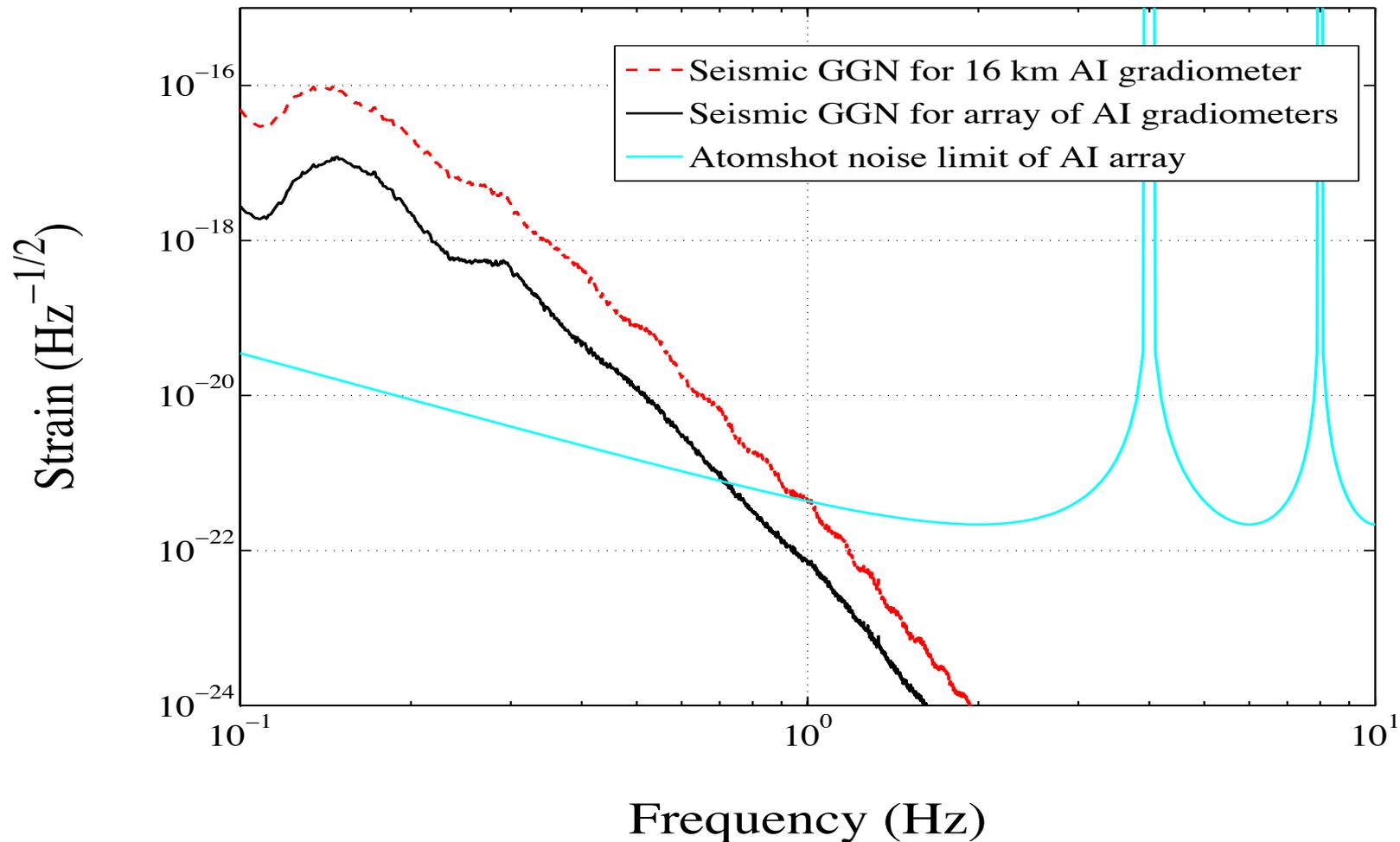
- $L_{\text{tot}} = 32$  km
- $N = 80$  gradiometers
- baseline  $L = 16$  km

- Gravitational Wave signal can be extracted using a spatial averaging method
- $N$  Correlated gradiometers enable to average the GGN over several realizations

$$H_N(t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \psi_i(t)$$

- The geometry of the detector ( $\delta, L$ ) is chosen with respect to the spatial correlation properties of the GGN.

# GGN reduction with an AI network



- Gain of about factor 10 in the 100 mHz 1 Hz band
- Space for improvement using all spatial information of the network (use different baseline  $L$  in the numerical treatment)

# Conclusion

- MIGA will be a new infrastructure for a large community
- Study new measurements methods for geophysics
- Opens perspectives for low frequency GW detection, future of GW astronomy

**GGN is a strong limit for earth based detectors**

- Arrays of AIs can be configured to reject GGN

