



# ***OMP/LuMI***

Ultra cold atoms  
and their applications:  
from precision measurements  
to quantum simulation

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# Scientific topics

Cooling, trapping, and atom manipulation with light

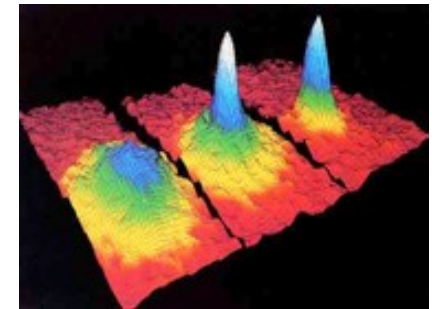
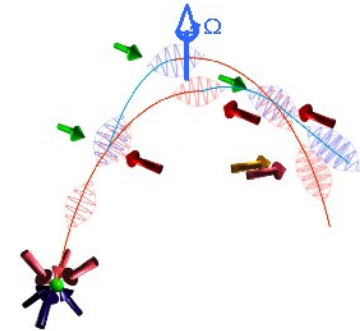
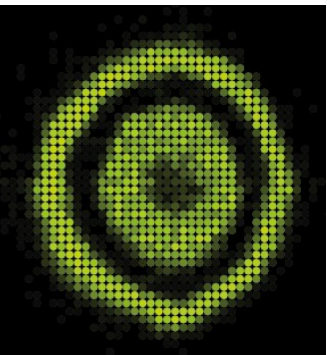
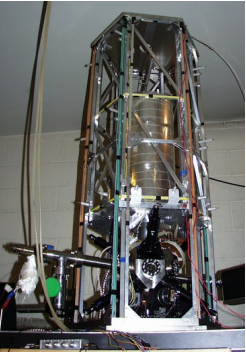
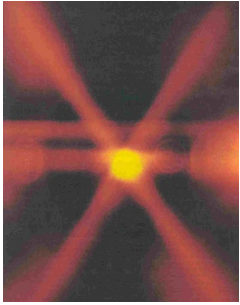
Matter waves – Atom interferometry

Precision measurements: atomic clocks and atom interferometers

Quantum gases: Bose-Einstein condensates

Quantum simulation

Goals : acquire a **general culture** in a timely topic and/or prepare a **PhD** in precision measurements or ultracold/quantum gases





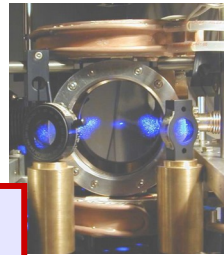
# A very active domain of research

→ Four Nobel prizes over 15 years



**Laser Cooling and Trapping**  
S. Chu, C. Cohen-Tannoudji, W. Phillips  
Nobel Prize 1997

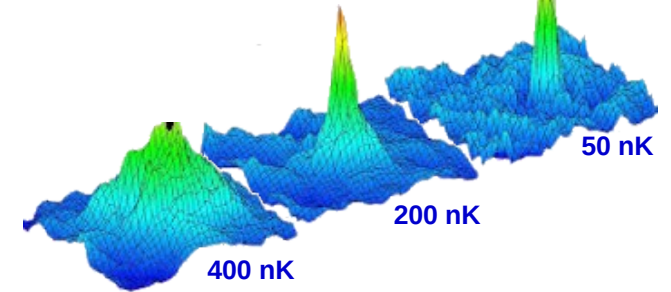
1997



**Bose-Einstein Condensation**  
E. Cornell, C. Wieman, W. Ketterle  
Nobel Prize 2001



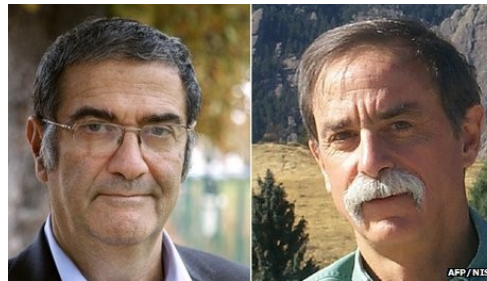
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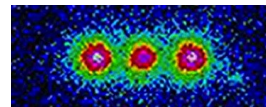
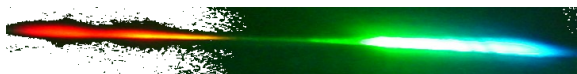


**Laser-based Precision Spectroscopy  
and Frequency Comb Technique**  
J. Hall and T. Hänsch  
Nobel Prize 2005



**Measuring and manipulation of  
individual quantum systems  
Ion clocks**  
S. Haroche, D. Wineland  
Nobel Prize 2012

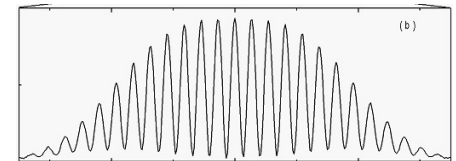
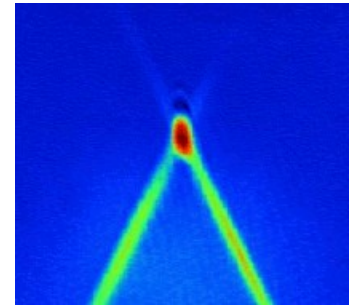
2012



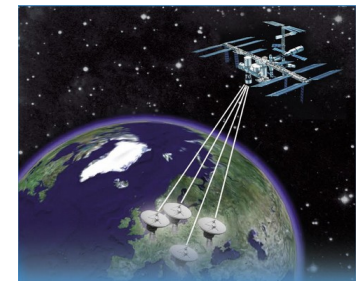
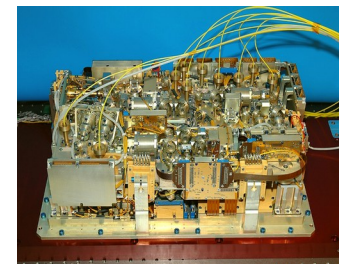
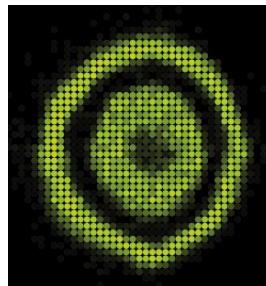
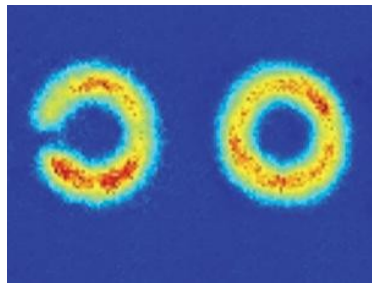
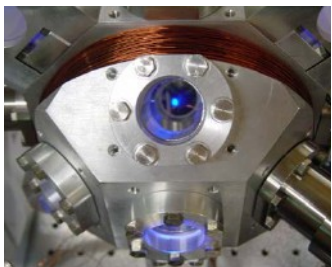
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The option is organised in **three parts** :

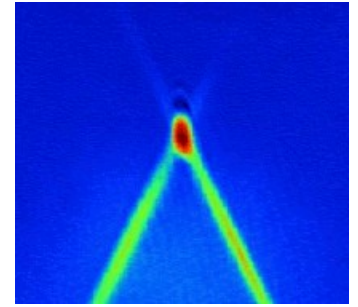
1. Laser cooling and trapping (LL) : **3** 4-hour sessions
2. Atomic clocks and atom interferometry (JL) : **2** sessions
3. Quantum gases (LL) : **2** sessions



+ **½ day lab class** in a (true!) laboratory of IFRAF



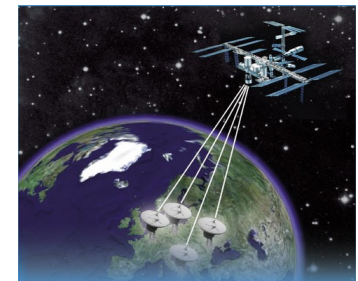
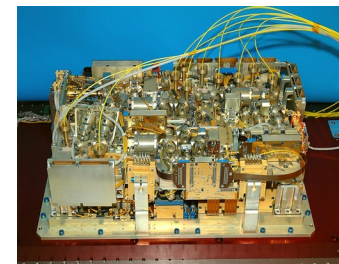
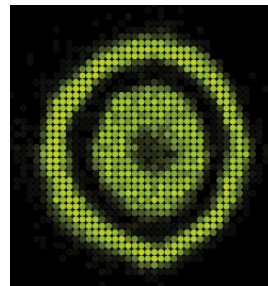
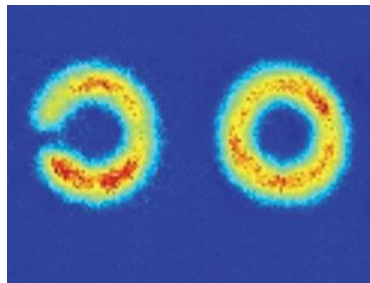
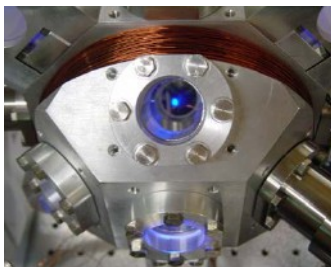
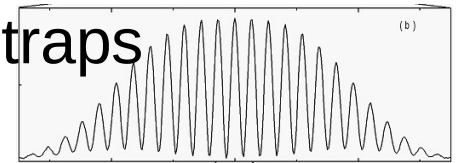
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## 1. Laser cooling and trapping (LL)

3 lectures, 3 exercise classes

- ✓ Light forces
- ✓ Laser cooling
- ✓ Laser trapping : dipole traps, magneto-optical traps
- ✓ Magnetic traps (atom chips)
- ✓ Optical lattices
- ✓ Cold collisions, Feshbach resonances

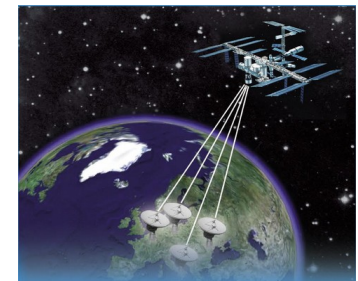
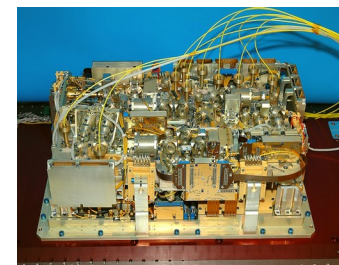
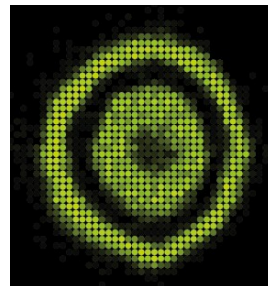
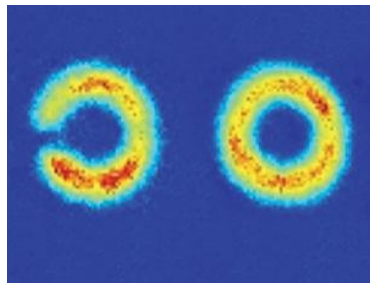
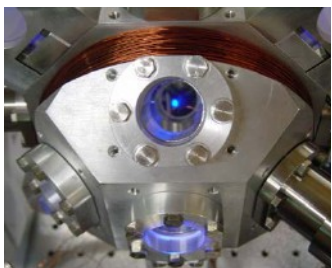
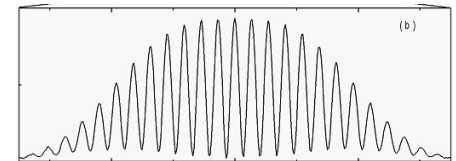
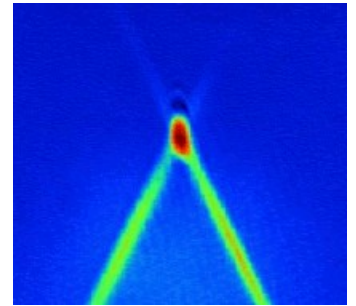




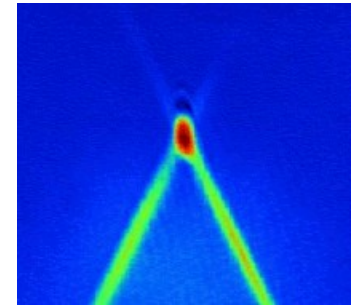
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## 2. Atomic clocks and atom interferometry (JL) 2 lectures, 2 exercise classes

- ✓ Principle of atomic clocks, stability, systematics
- ✓ Collisional shift
- ✓ Atom interferometry
- ✓ Phase shift in an atom interferometer
- ✓ Quantum projection noise
- ✓ Applications of interferometers



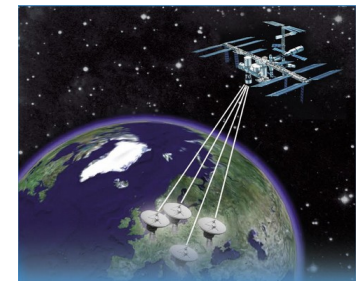
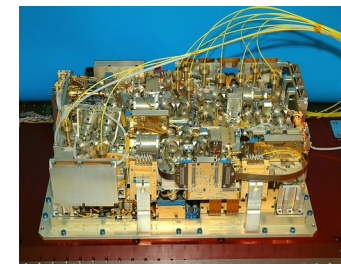
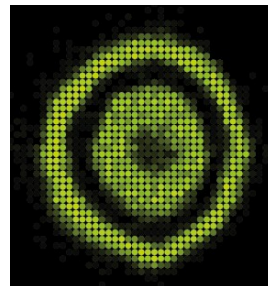
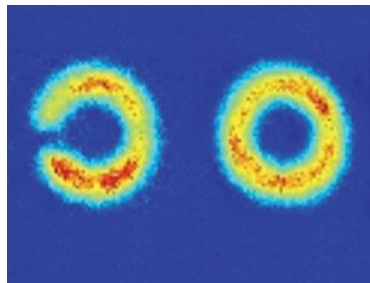
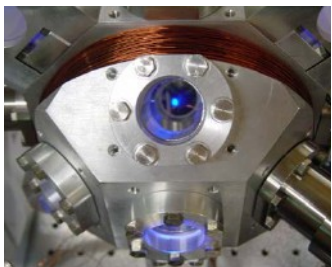
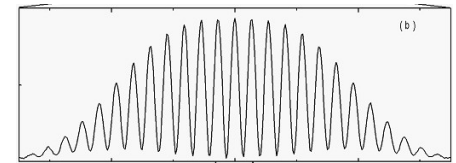
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## 3. Quantum gases (LL)

3 lectures, 1 seminar

- ✓ Bose-Einstein condensation
- ✓ Interacting quantum gases
- ✓ Superfluidity
- ✓ Applications of quantum gases
- ✓ Examples of quantum simulators



# Final exam

**Two components :**

Lab class report (4 pts)

Written exam, 3 hours (16 pts)

