

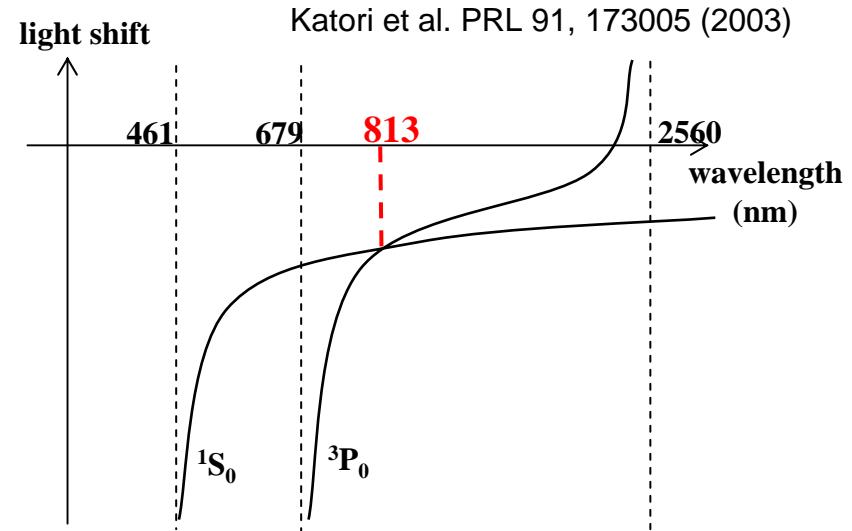
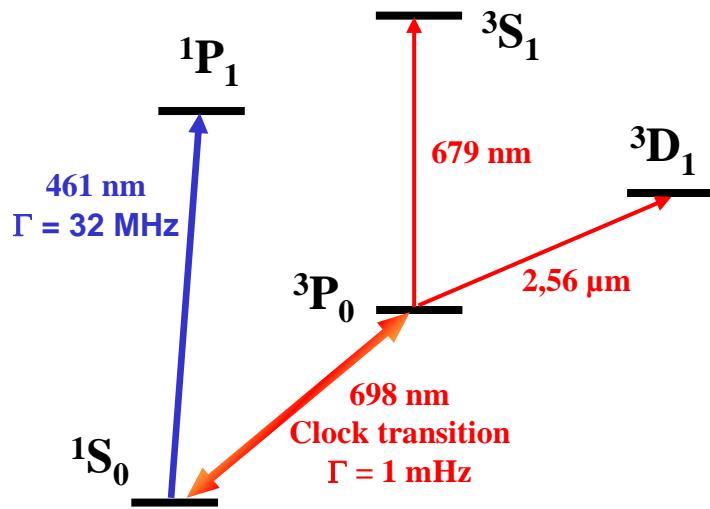
# Sr optical lattice clock: hyperpolarizability effects and preliminary accuracy evaluation

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# $^{87}\text{Sr}$ Optical lattice clock

- Optical lattice clock with atoms confined in an optical lattice
- Expected ultimate fractional accuracy:  $10^{-18}$
- Lattice @ “magic wavelength” => cancellation of first order differential light shift



# Differential light shift cancellation ?

- $U_0=10 E_r$  (36 kHz) is enough to cancel motional frequency shift

P. Lemonde, P. Wolf, Phys. Rev. A, **72** 033409 (2005)

Accuracy of  $10^{-18} \Leftrightarrow$  Control at a level of  $10^{-8} \times$  Light shift

- Neutral atoms in an optical lattice :

$$\hbar\nu = \hbar\nu^{(0)} - \frac{1}{4}\Delta\alpha(\mathbf{e}, \omega)E^2 - \frac{1}{64}\Delta\gamma(\mathbf{e}, \omega)E^4 - \dots$$

- At the magic wavelength, the first order term cancels
- Higher order terms : Hyperpolarizability  $\Rightarrow$  Scale as  $E^4 \propto U_0^2$

⇒ Feasibility is conditioned by the magnitude of higher order effects

# Hyperpolarizability effects on the clock frequency

- Theoretical prediction of  $-2 \mu\text{Hz}/E_r^2$ ,  
@ the theoretical magic wavelength: 800 nm

H Katori, M. Takamoto, V.G. Pal'chikov, and V.D. Ovsiannikov, Phys. Rev. Lett., **91**, 173005 (2003)

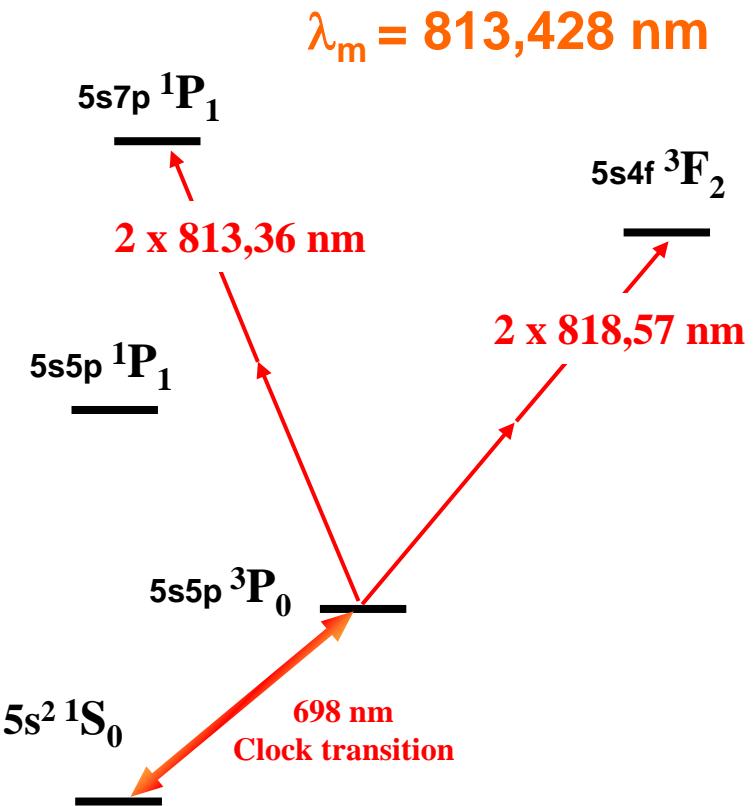
- Second order light shift: magic wavelength close to two two-photon transitions

□  $5s5p \ ^3P_0 \rightarrow 5s7p \ ^1P_1$

fortunately forbidden:  $J=0 \rightarrow J=1$

G. Grynberg, B. Cagnac, Rep. Prog. Phys. **40**, 791 (1977)

□  $5s5p \ ^3P_0 \rightarrow 5s4f \ ^3F_2$



Need for an experimental evaluation of the effect

# Optical lattice

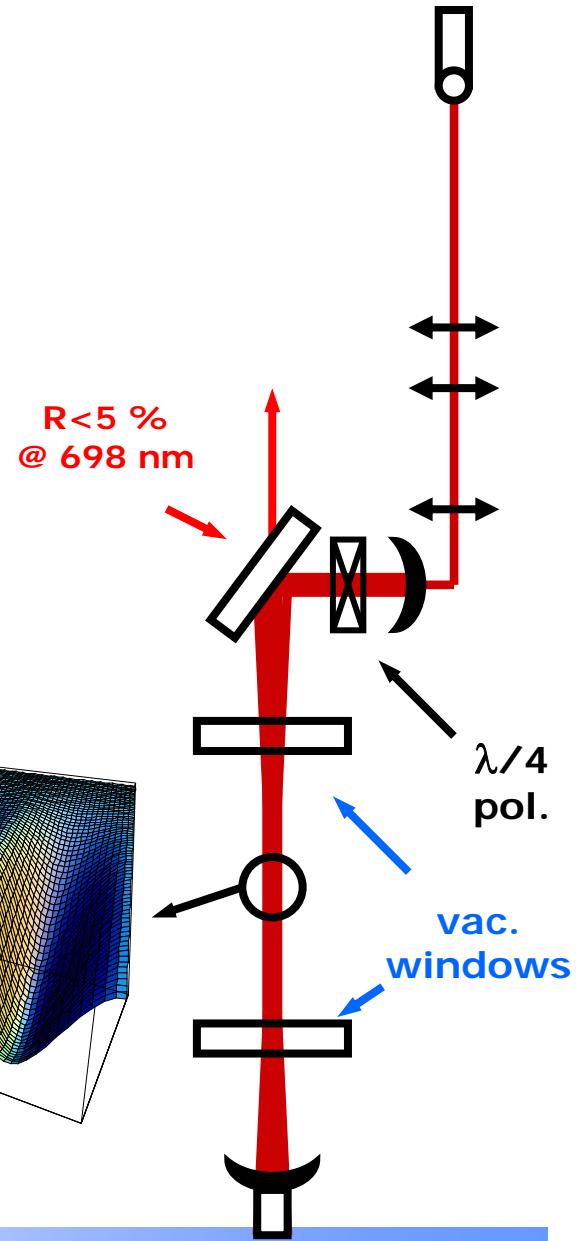
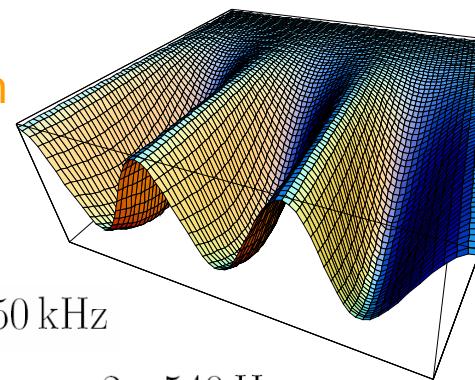
Need for high peak intensity  $> 100 \text{ kW/cm}^2$

- Laser Ti:sapph  $\sim 7\text{-}800 \text{ mW @ } 813 \text{ nm}$
- Linear build-up cavity
  - Finesse  $\sim 100$
  - Waist  $89\mu\text{m}$
  - Peak intensity  $\sim 400 \text{ kW/cm}^2$
- Linear polarization (to within  $\sim 10^{-4}$ )
- probe transmission @  $698 \text{ nm}$

Max trapping depth  
 $1400 E_R \sim 4,5 \text{ MHz}$   
 $\sim 200 \mu\text{K}$

$$\omega_{trap,z} = 2\pi \cdot 250 \text{ kHz}$$

$$\omega_{trap,x} = \omega_{trap,y} = 2\pi \cdot 540 \text{ Hz}$$



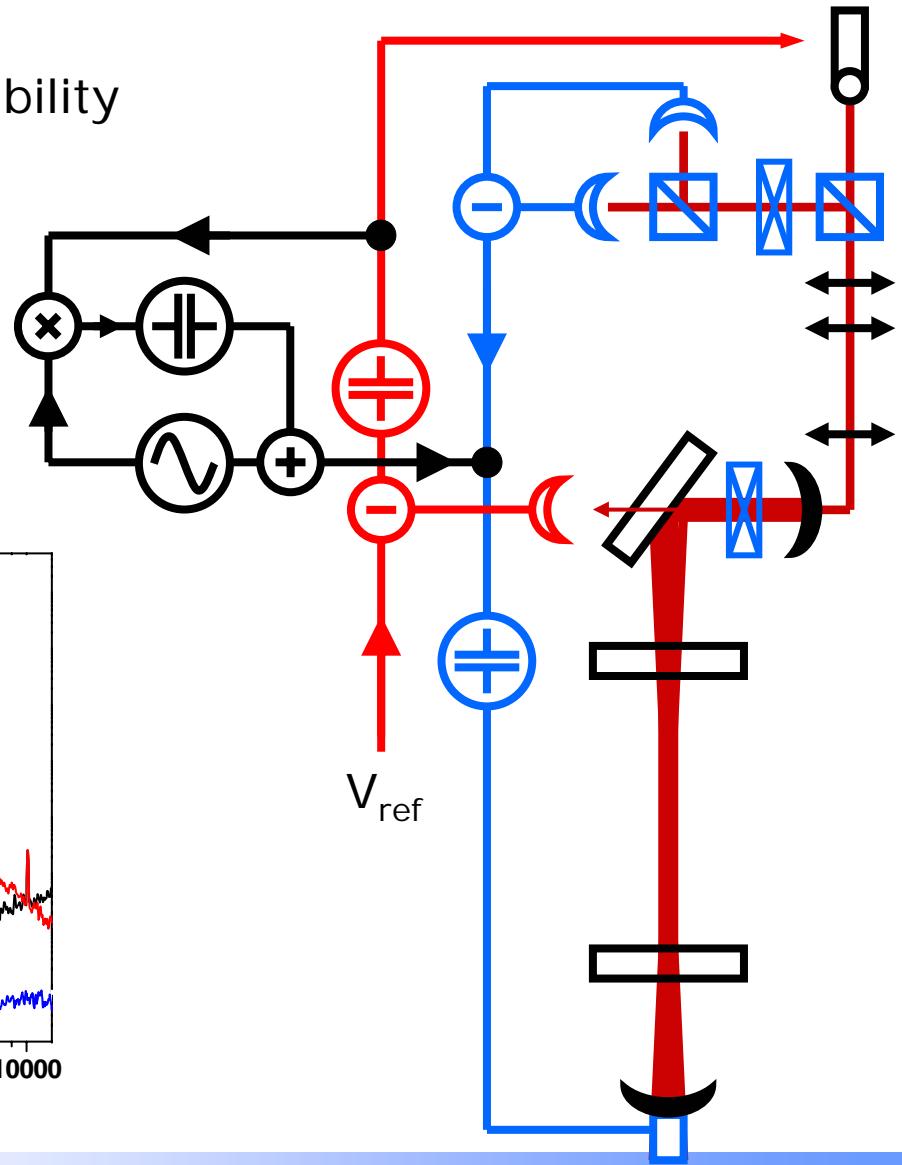
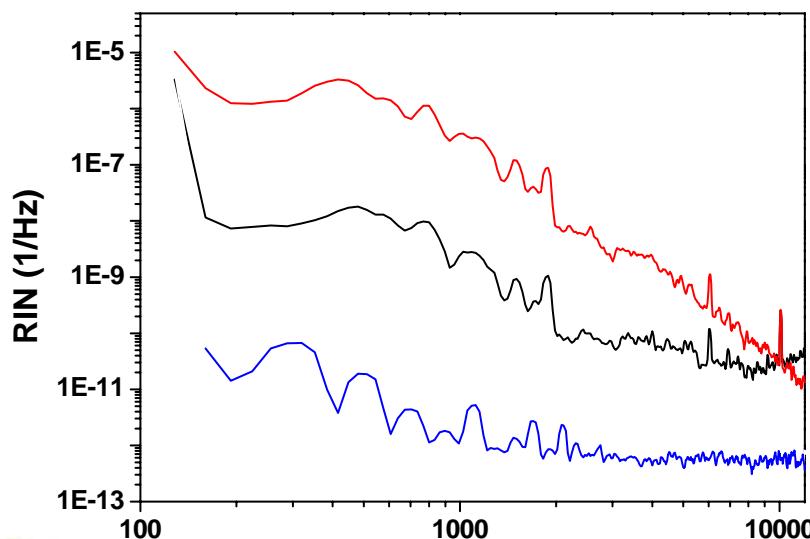
# Servo-loop system

3 servos to ensure optimal stability

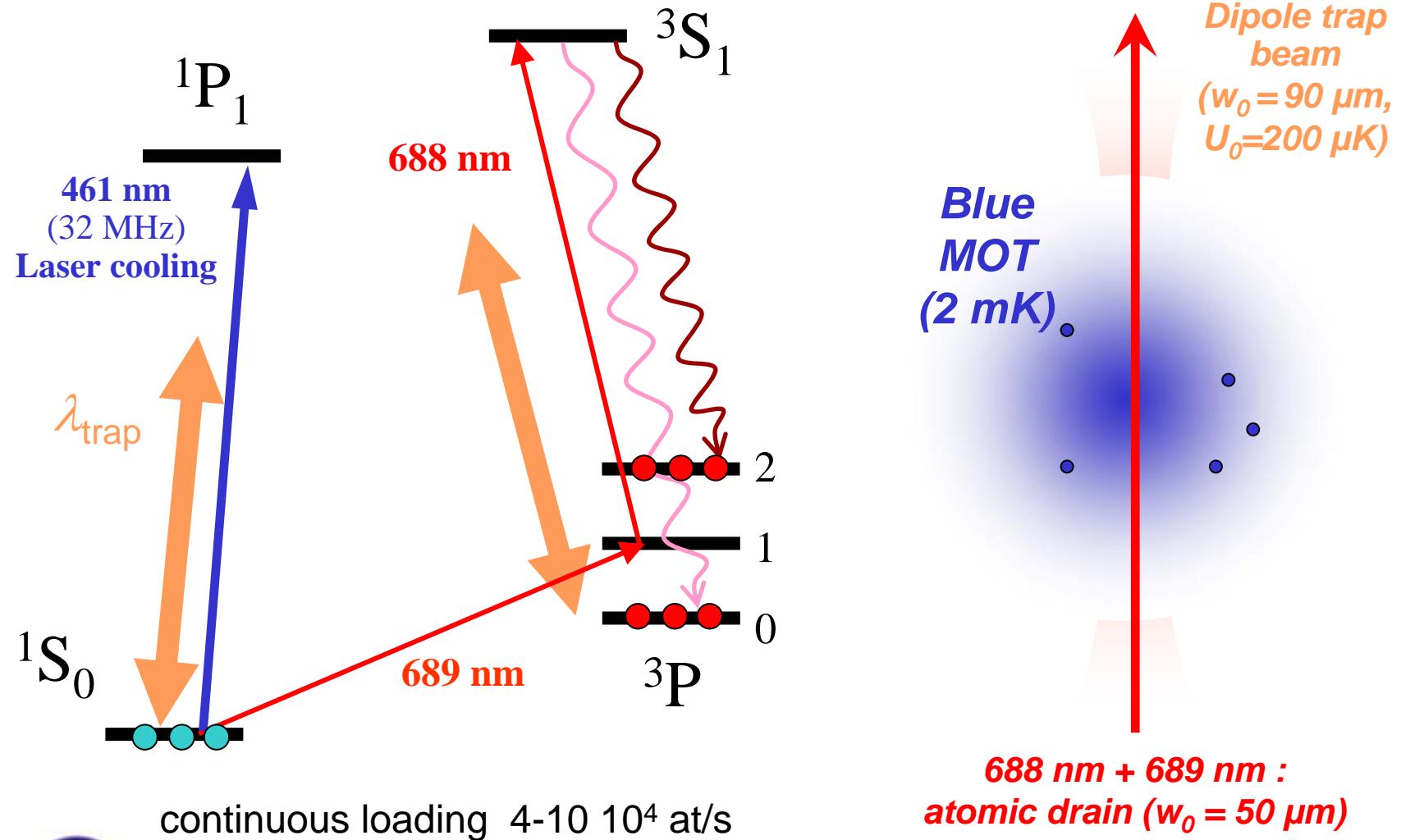
1. Hänsch-Couillaud

2. Intracavity power control

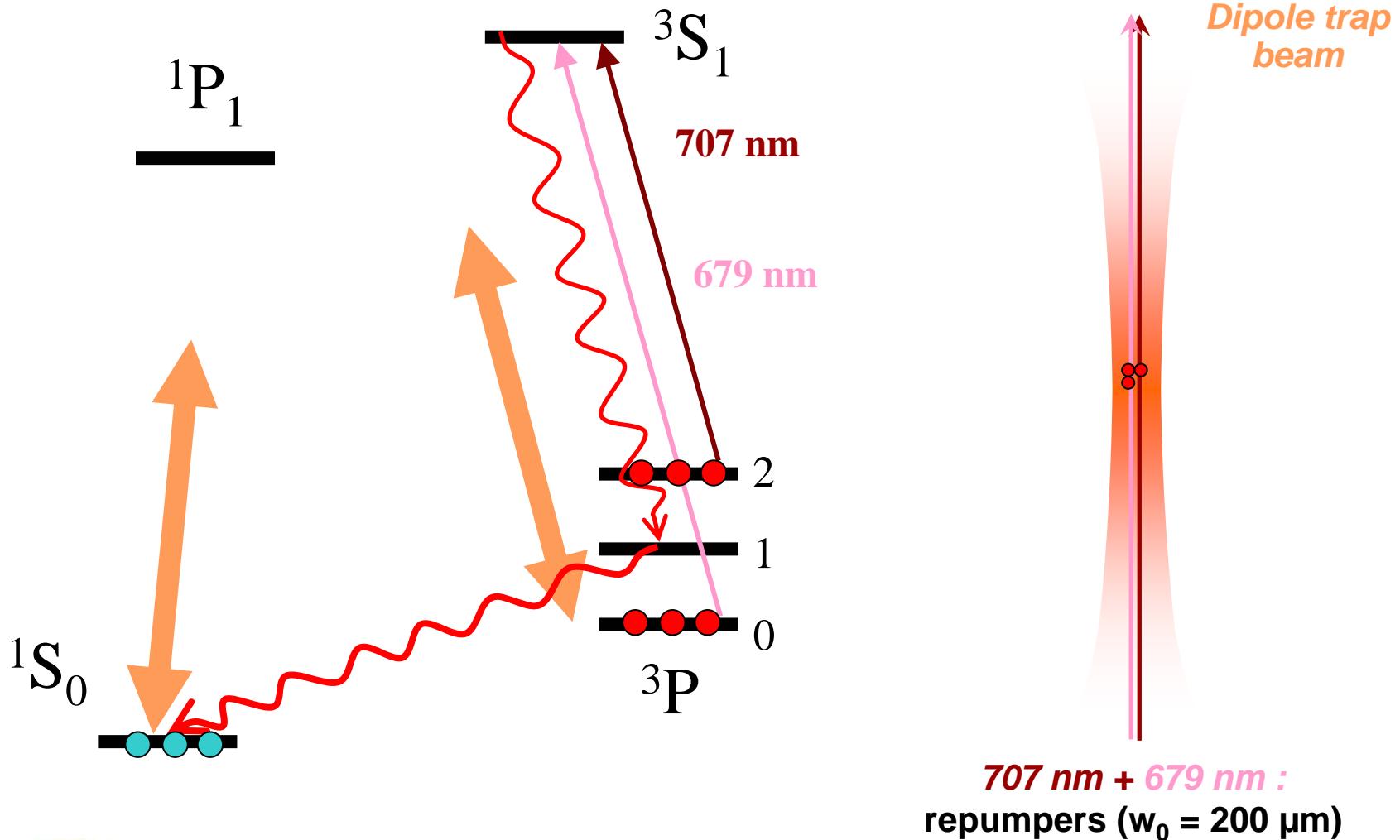
3. offset HC



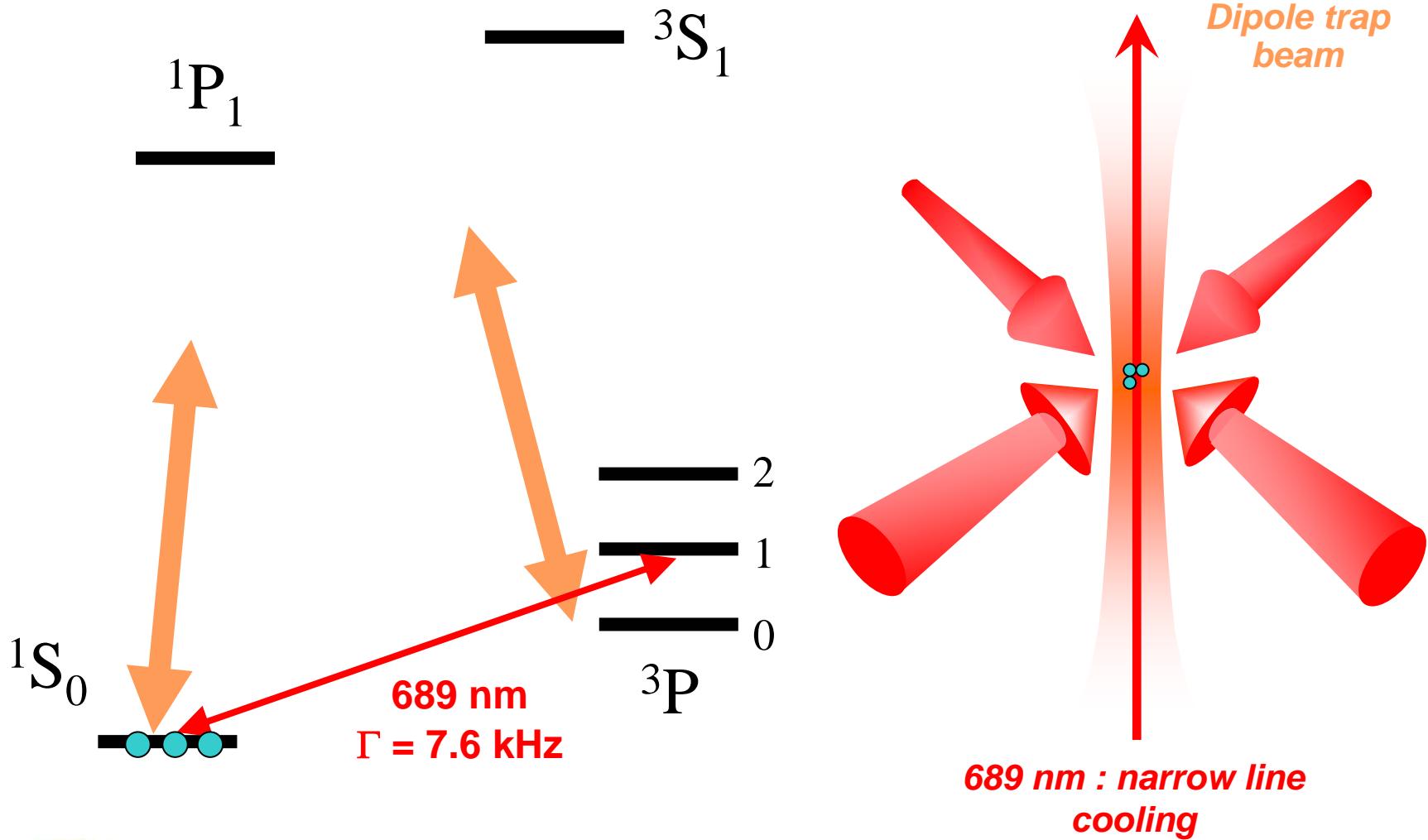
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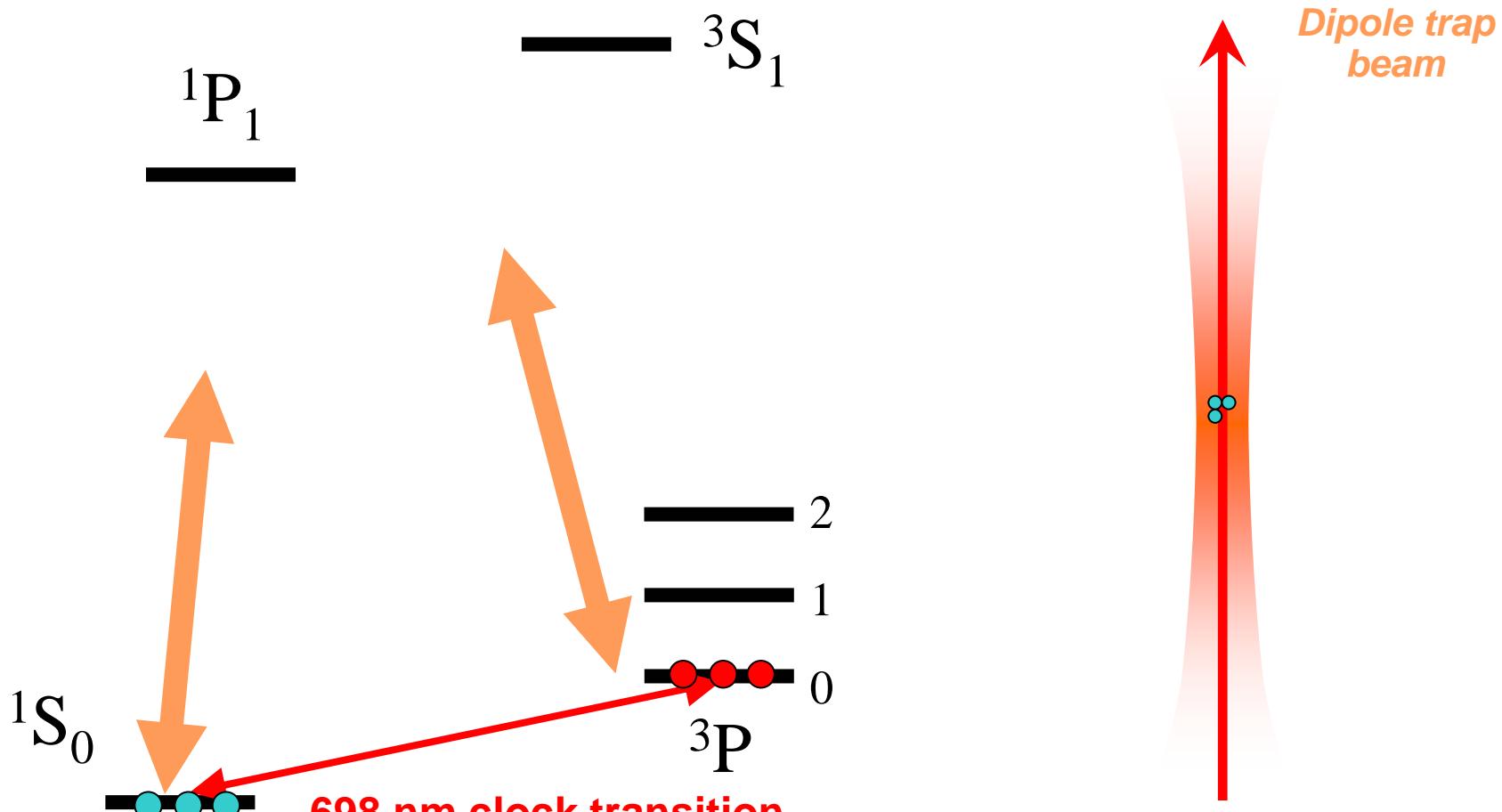
# loading the dipole trap



# Narrow line cooling in the dipole trap

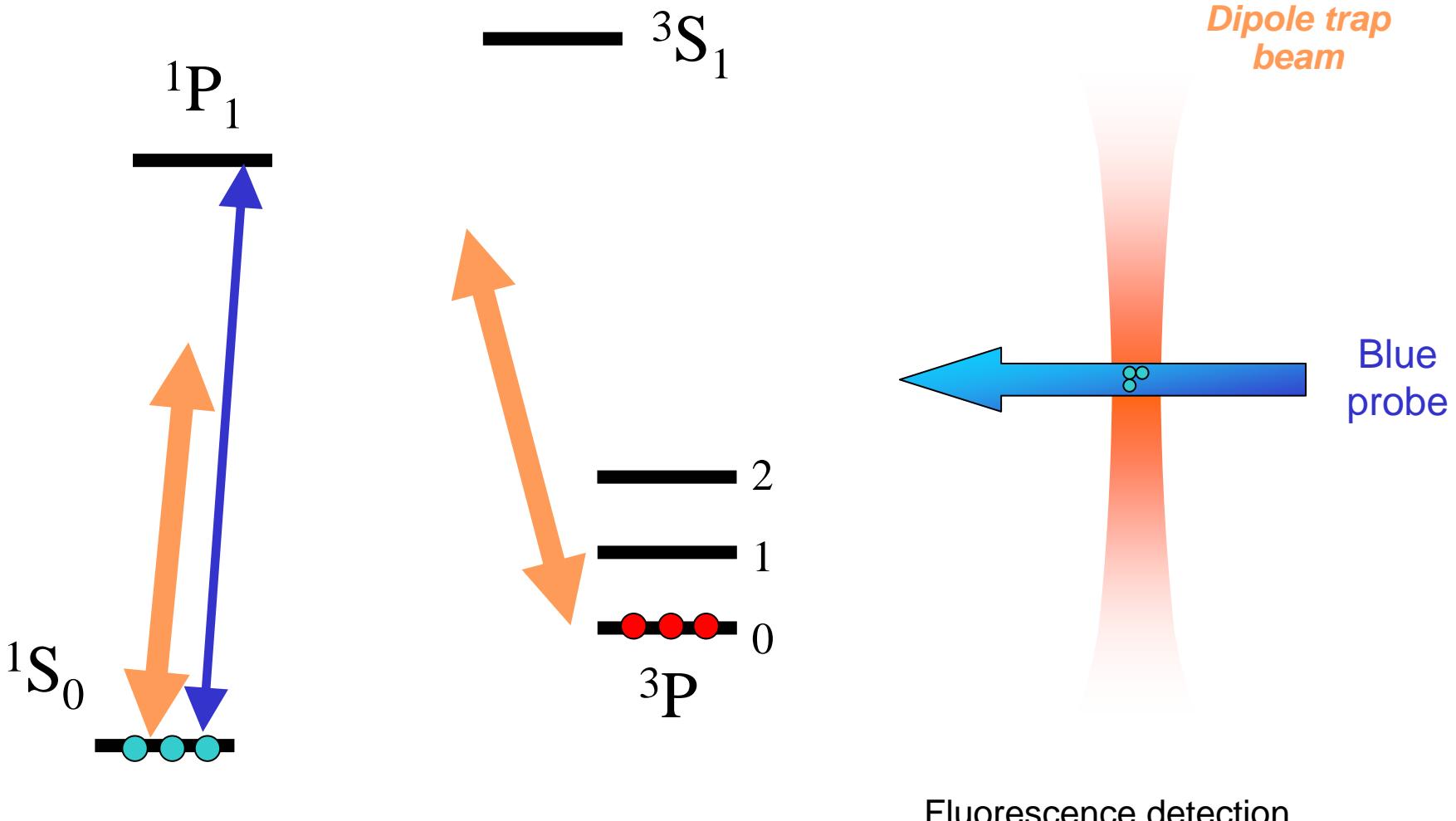


# Clock transition spectroscopy

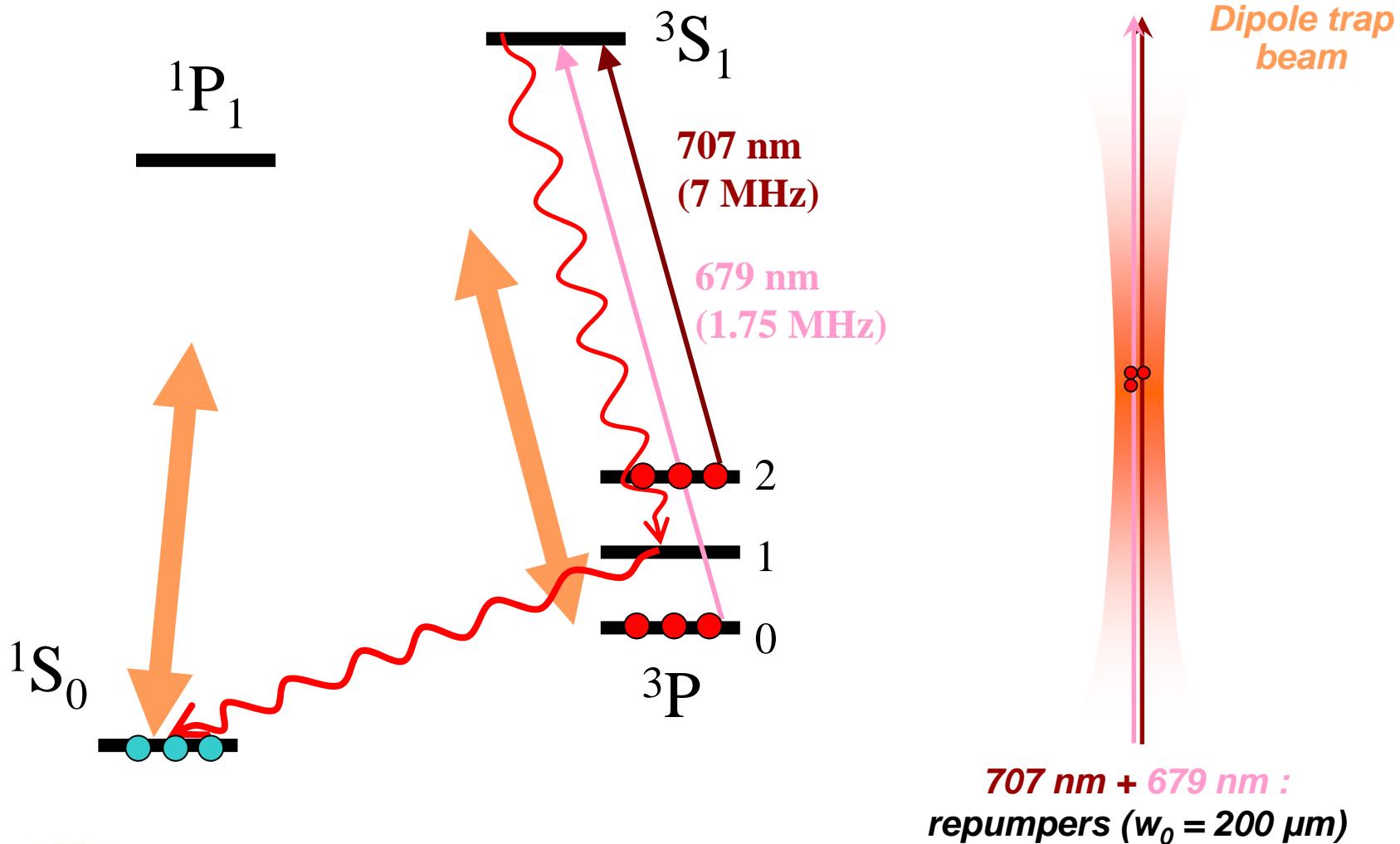


*698 nm laser referenced  
to an ultrastable cavity*  
 $w_0=200 \mu\text{m}$

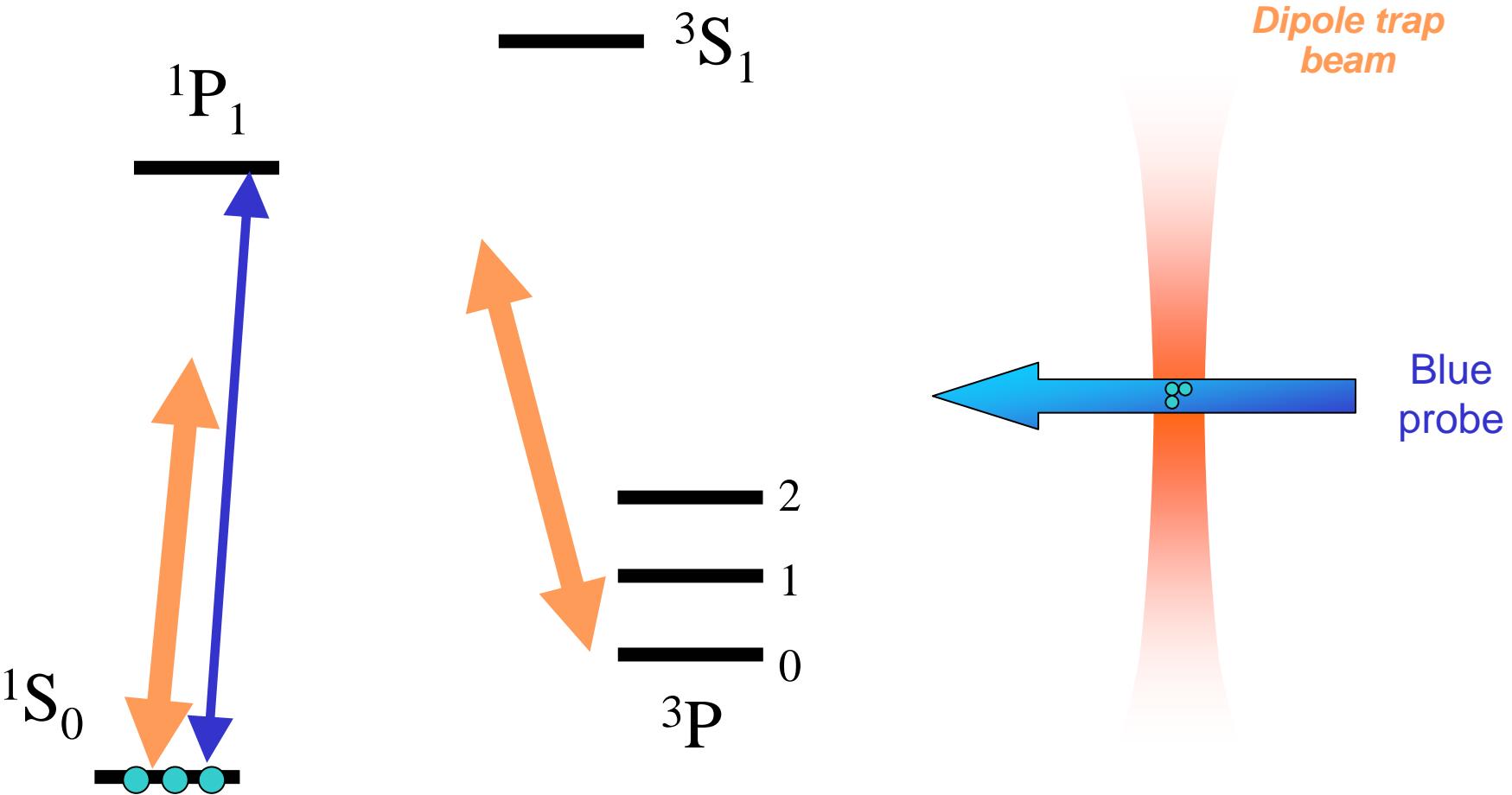
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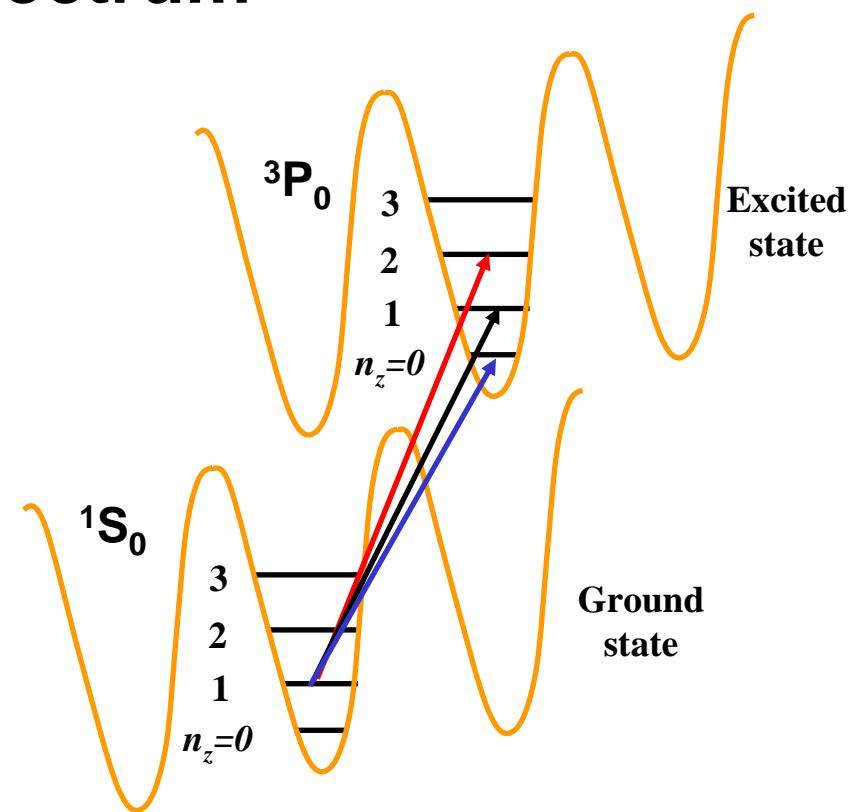
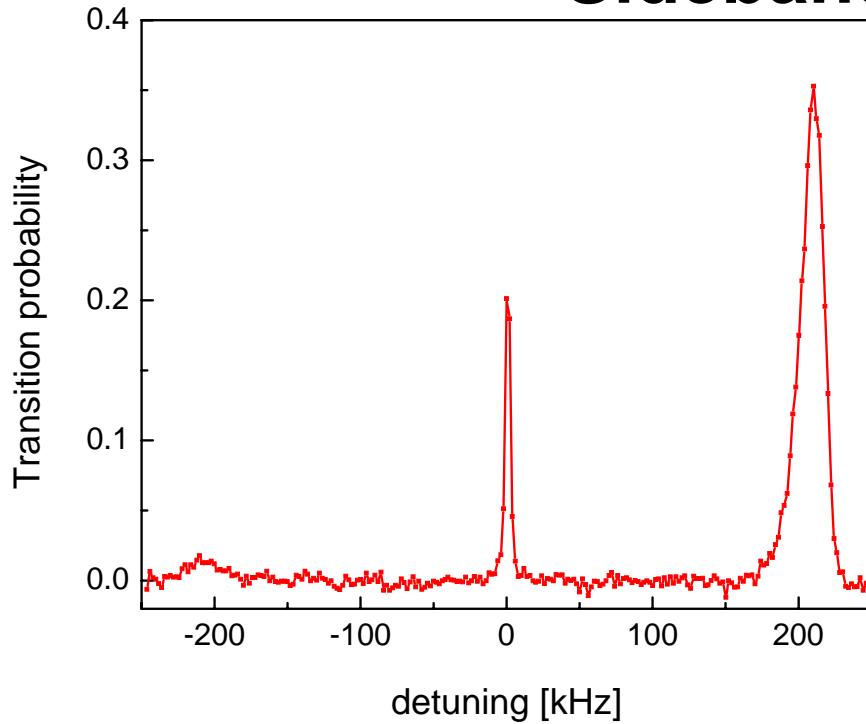
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# Sideband spectrum

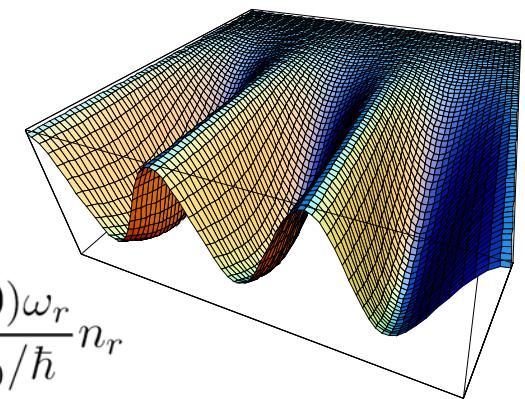


Longitudinal temperature given by sidebands ratio

**T<sub>z</sub> = 2 μK, 95 % of the atoms in |n<sub>z</sub>=0>**

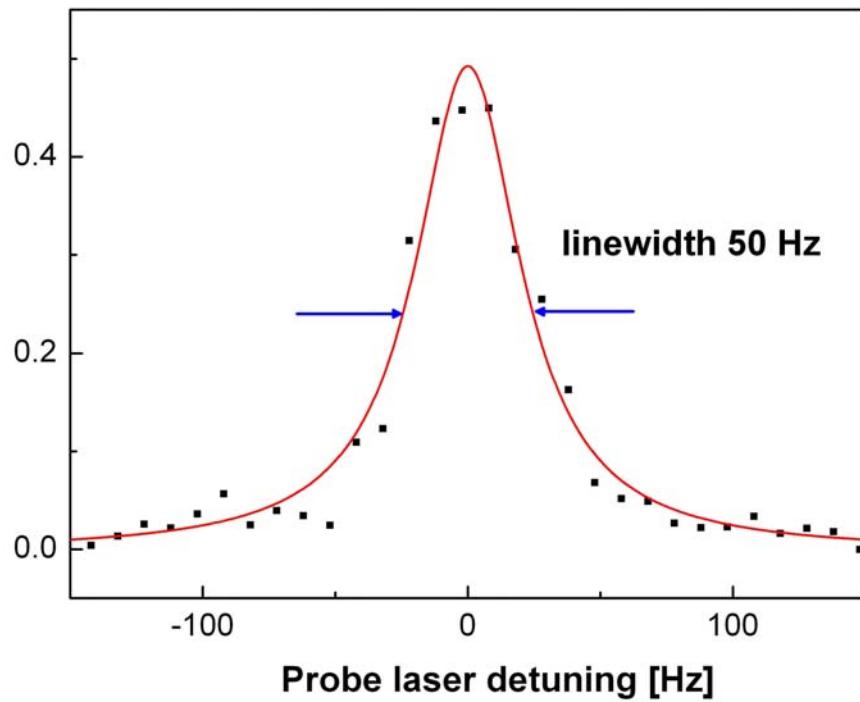
Longitudinal sidebands frequency depends on the transverse excitation. Shape of sidebands gives the transverse temperature. **T<sub>r</sub> = 10 μK**

$$\omega_z(n_r) = \omega_z(0) - \frac{\omega_z(0)\omega_r}{4U_0/\hbar}n_r$$



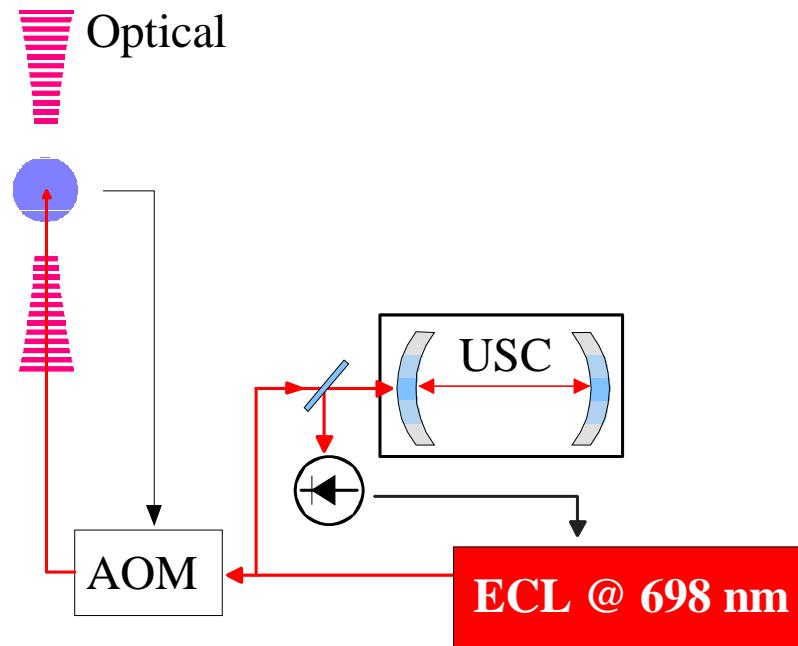
# Atomic carrier resonance

Transition probability



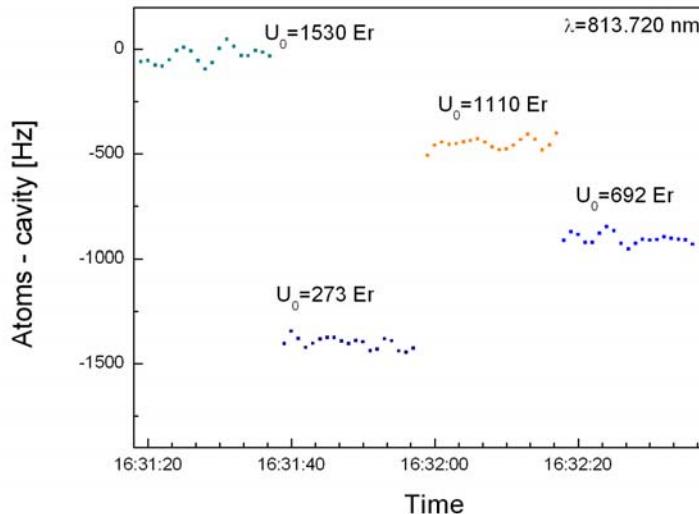
698 nm probe :  
15 ms, 3  $\mu$ W

Laser frequency is locked to the atomic resonance  
via an AOM

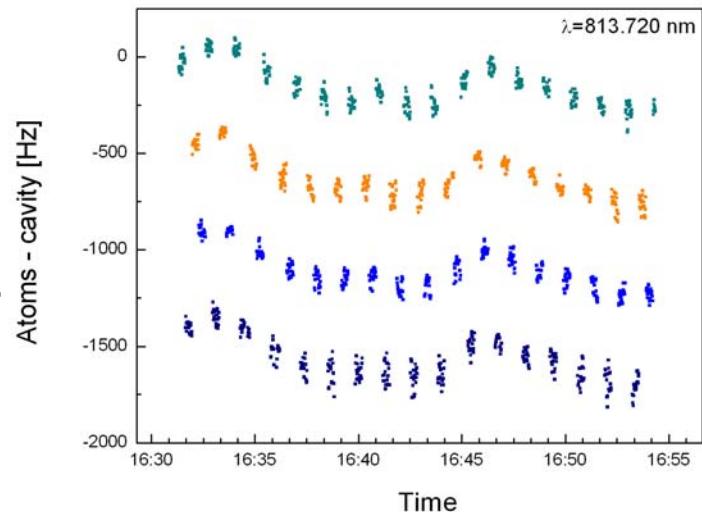


# Measurement of the frequency shift due to the trap

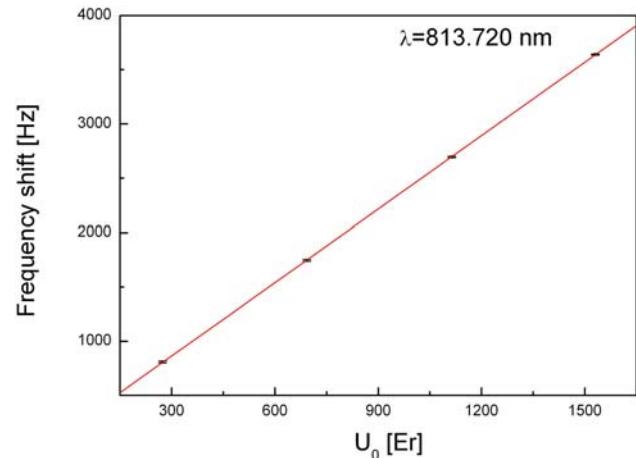
-Differential measurement atoms-cavity vs trapping depth



repeated N times =>

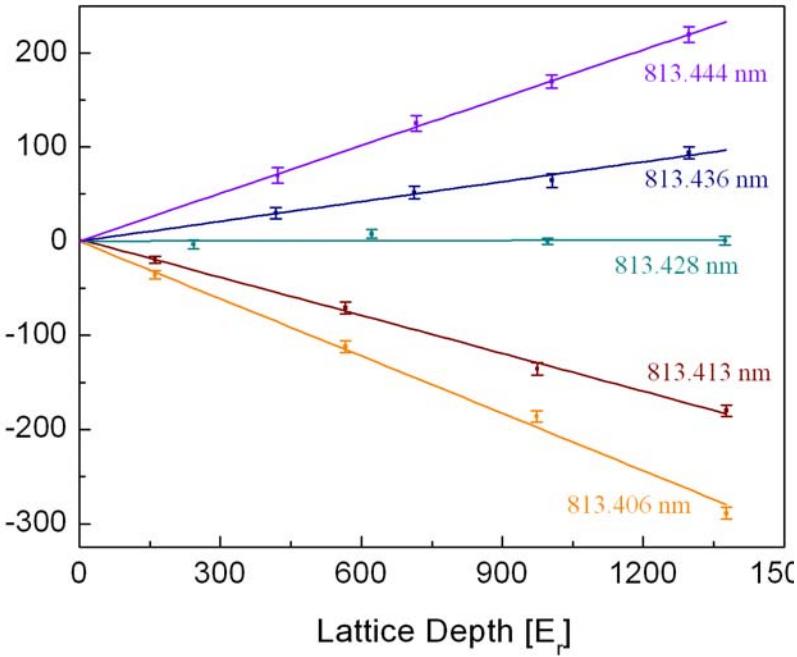


-The cavity frequency fluctuations are filtered by a polynomial fit

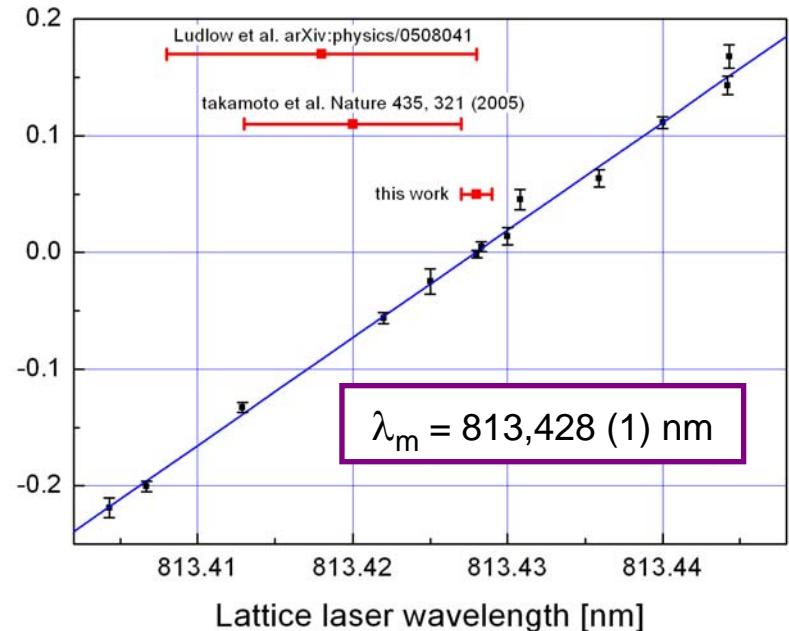


# First order light shift

Frequency shift [Hz]

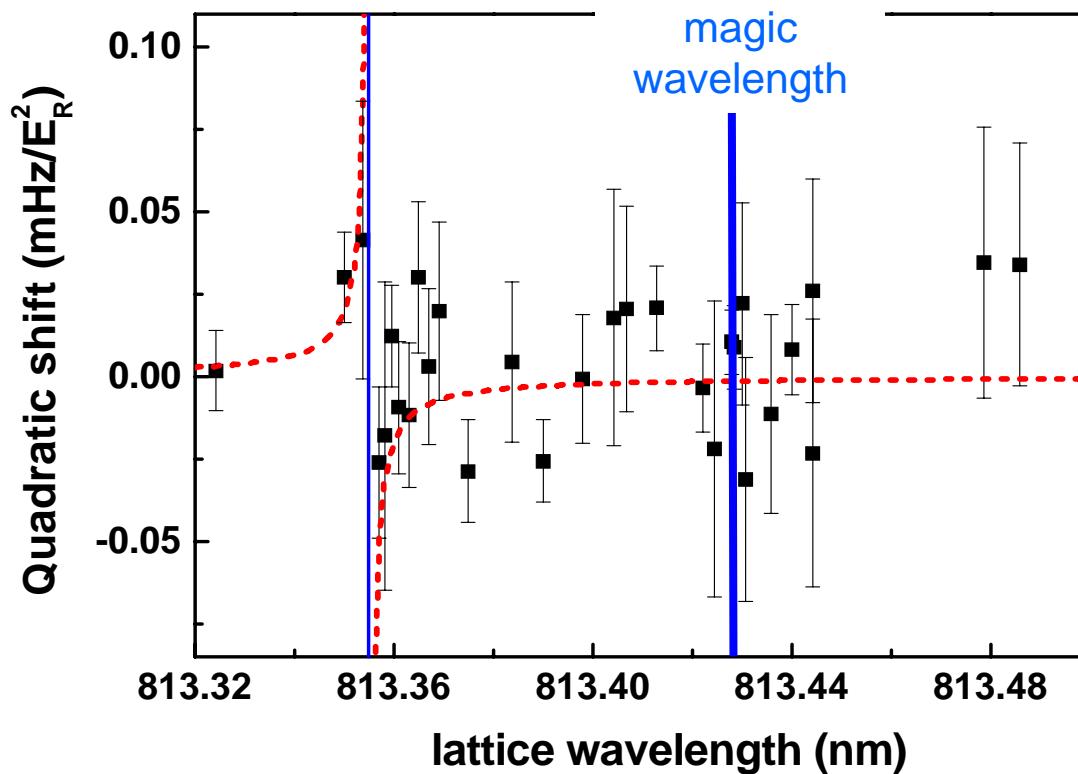


Light shift [Hz/ $E_r$ ]



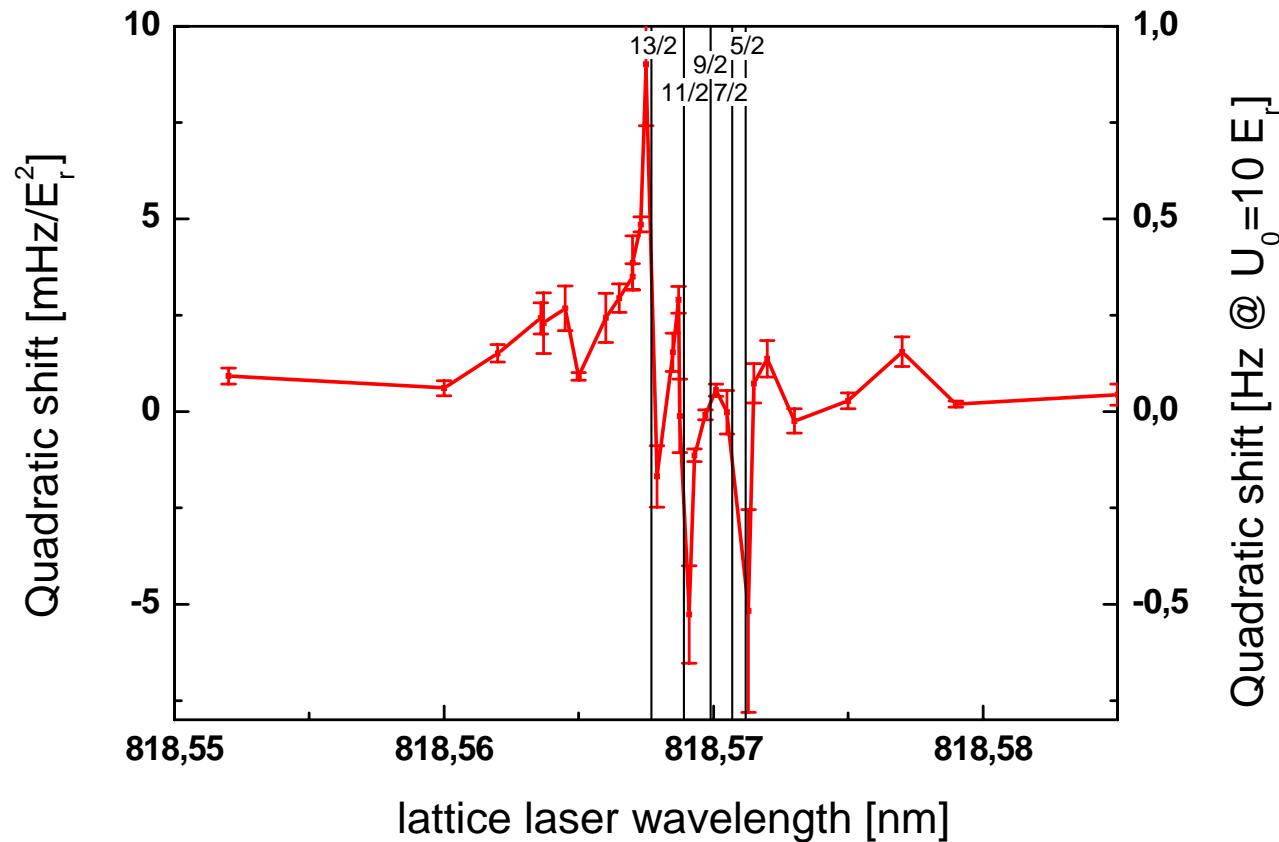
- Measurements done at different wavelengths and different depths

# Second order light shift near the ${}^3P_0-{}^1P_1$ transition



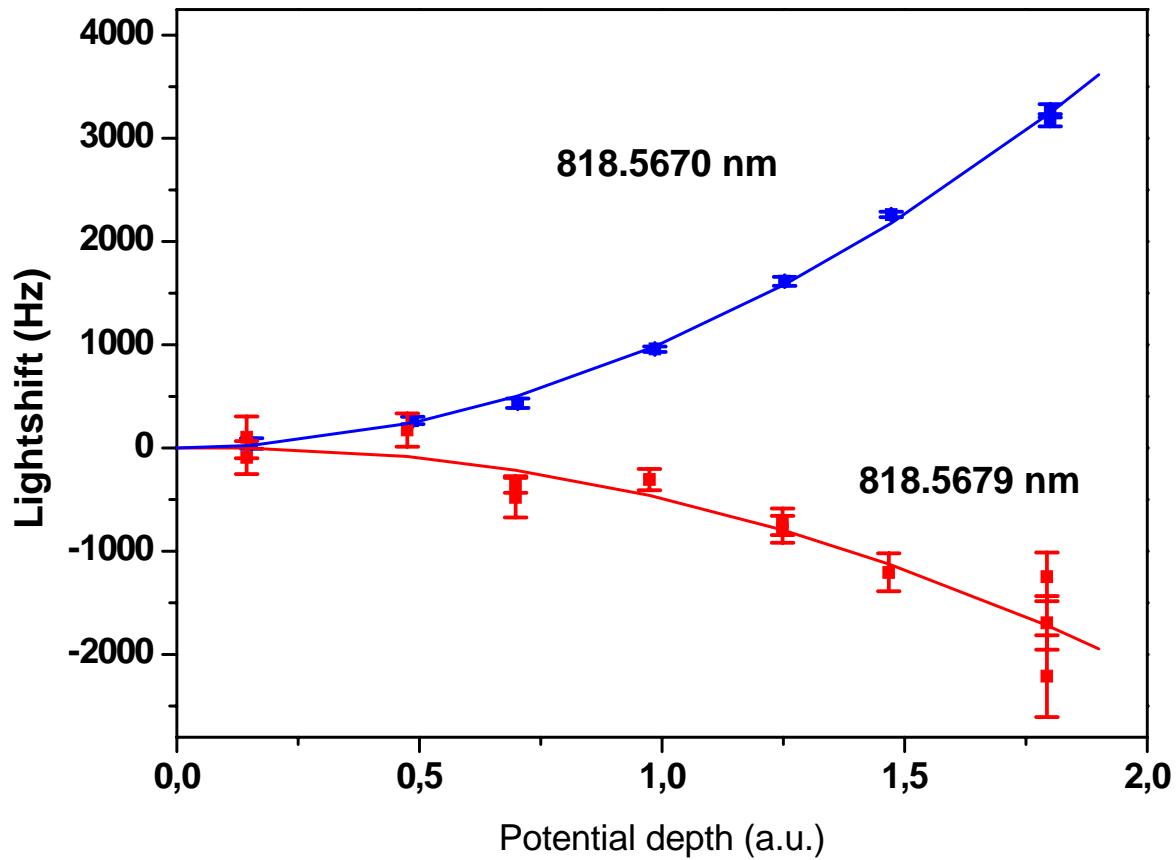
No visible effect around the  ${}^3P_0 - {}^1P_1$  transition  
contribution  $< 1 \mu\text{Hz}/E_r^2$  at  $\lambda_m$  ( 0,1 mHz @ 10  $E_r$  )

# Second order light shift near the ${}^3P_0$ - ${}^3F_2$ transition



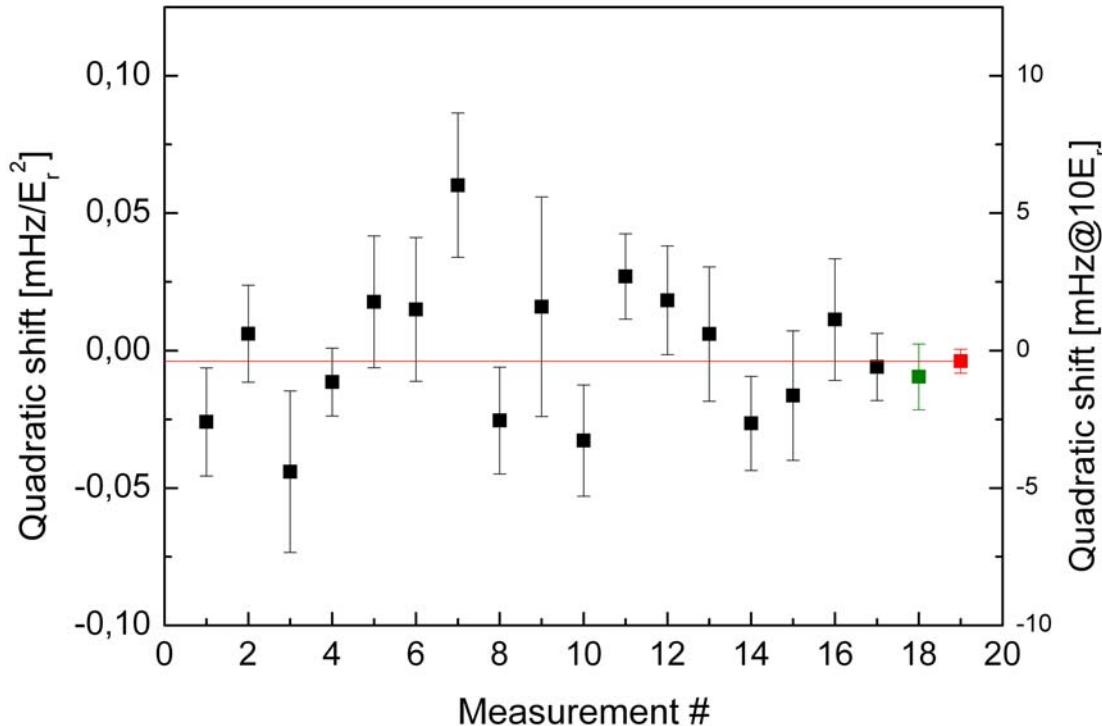
Contribution of this resonance @  $\lambda_m < 2 \mu\text{Hz}/E_r^2$  ( 0,2 mHz @  $10 E_r$  )

# Second order light shift near the ${}^3P_0$ - ${}^3F_2$ transition



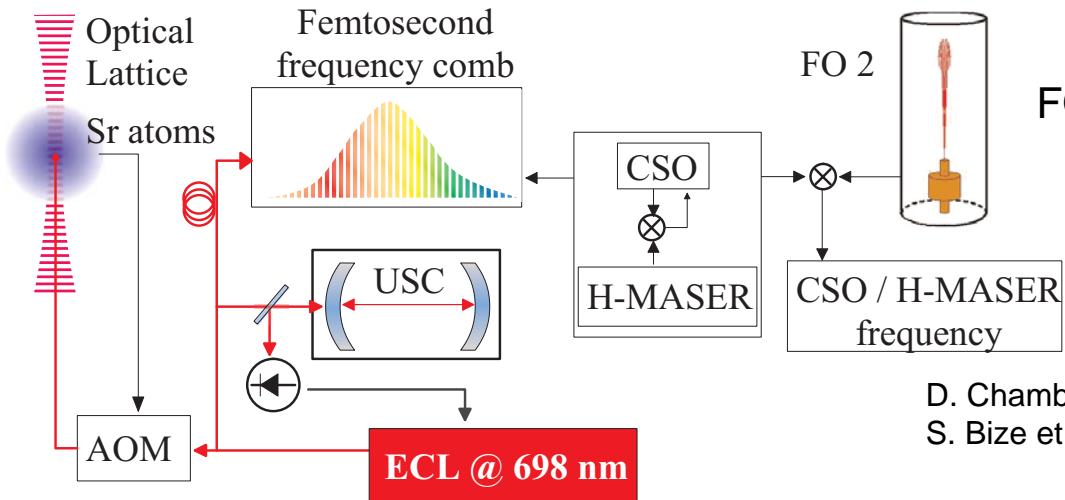
Quadratic shift clearly visible once the first order term has been removed

# Hyperpolarizability effects at $\lambda_m$



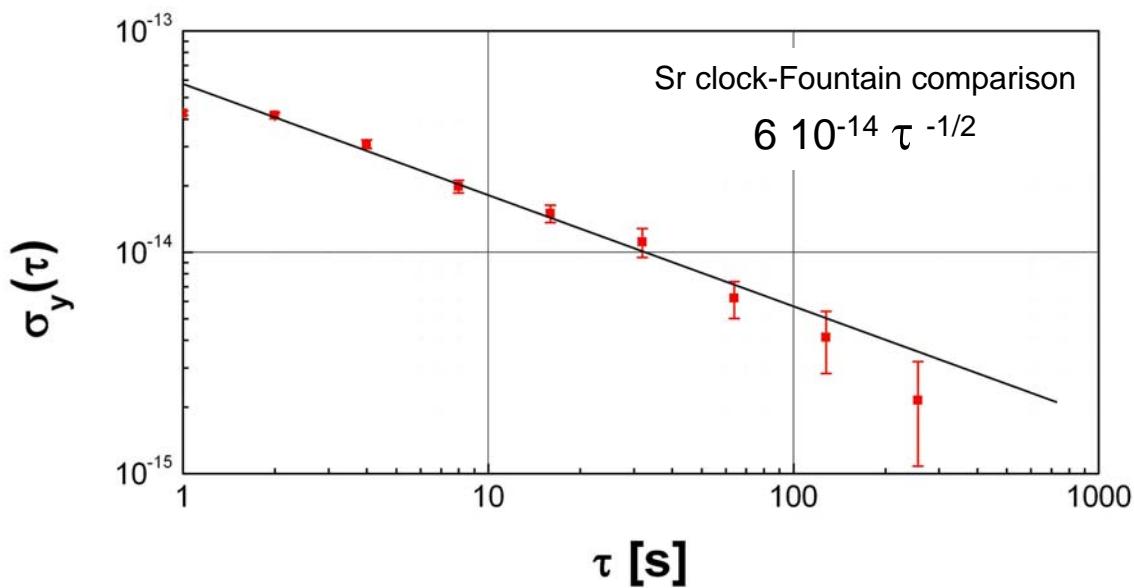
- Hyperpolarizability shift of -4 (4)  $\mu\text{Hz}/E_r^2$  (-0.4(4) mHz @ 10  $E_r$ ), corresponding to a  $-1(1).10^{-18}$  relative frequency shift @ 10  $E_r$
- This effect will not limit the clock accuracy down to the  $10^{-18}$  level

# Frequency chain



FO2 frequency accuracy  $\sim 4 \cdot 10^{-16}$   
stability  $\sim 1.6 \cdot 10^{-14} \tau^{-1/2}$

D. Chambon et al. Rev. Sci. Inst. **76**, 094704, 2005  
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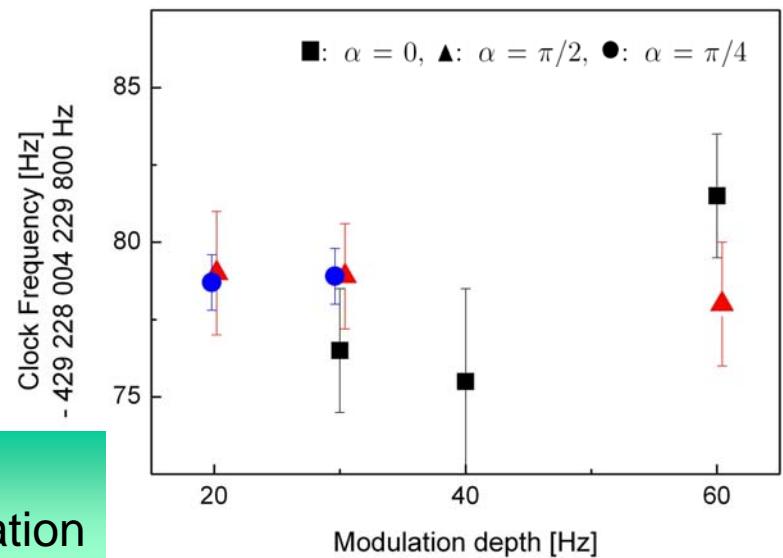
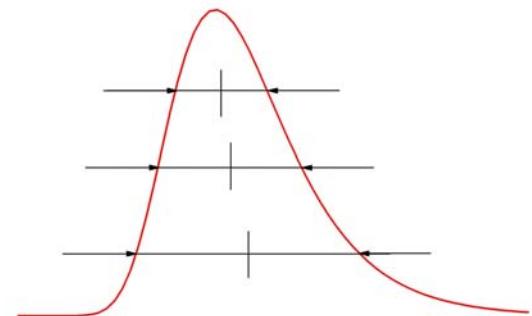
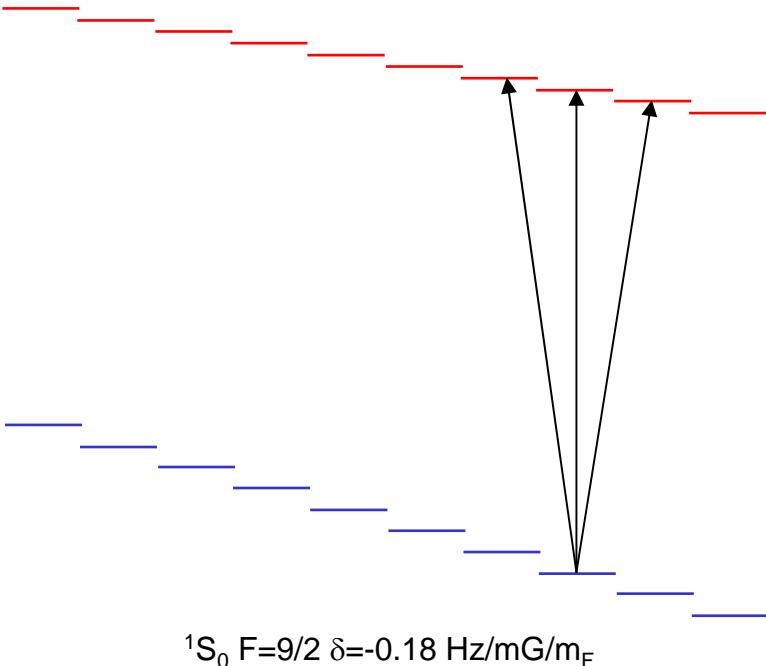
Frequency resolution:  $\sim 1$  Hz @ 600 s

# 1st order Zeeman effect

Frequency shift due to residual field, asymmetry in Zeeman population and depending on probe polarization

$^3P_0$   $F=9/2$   $\delta=-0.08$  Hz/mG/m<sub>F</sub>

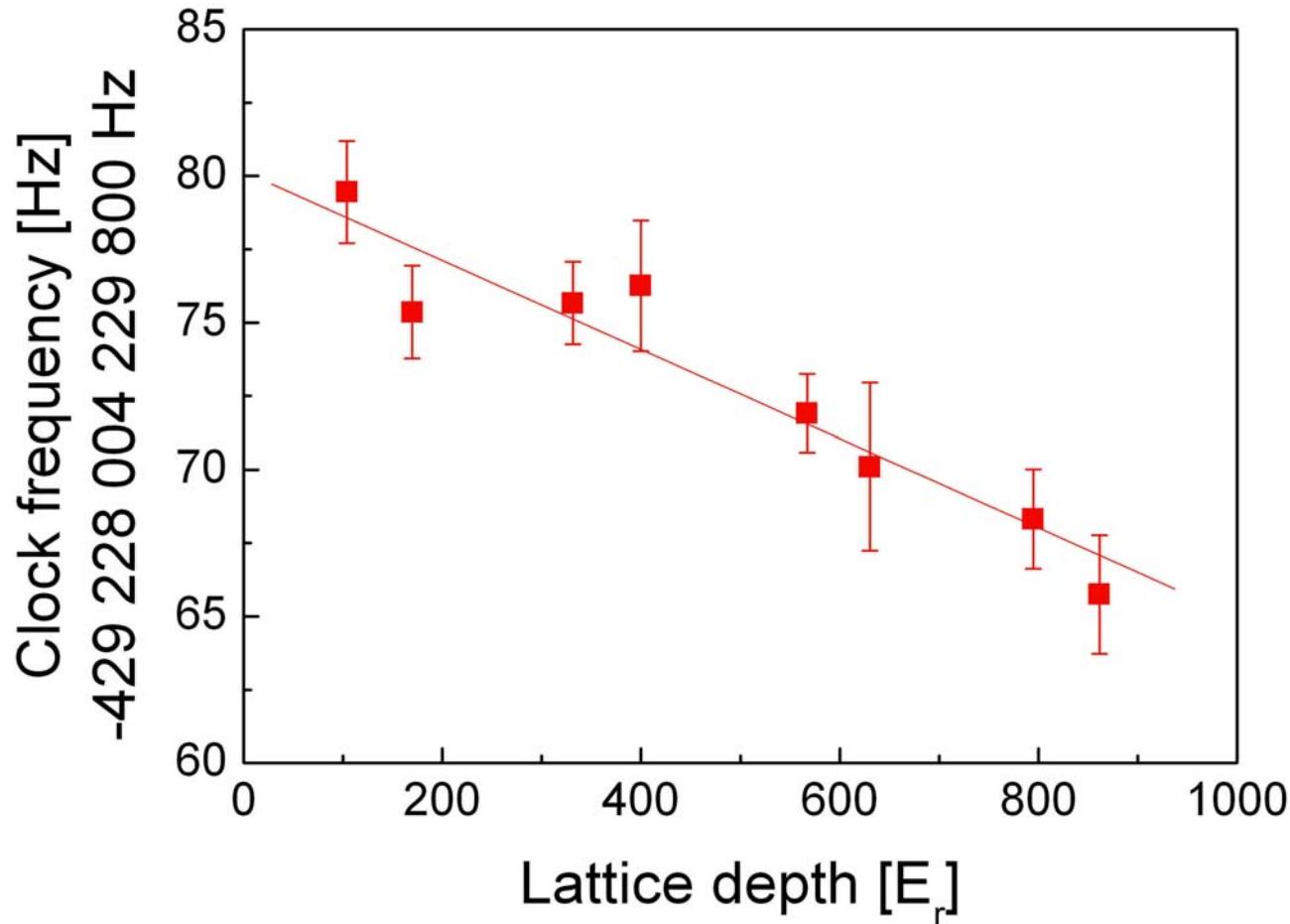
$^1S_0$   $F=9/2$   $\delta=-0.18$  Hz/mG/m<sub>F</sub>



Assigned uncertainty 5 Hz

future improvement by bias field+state preparation

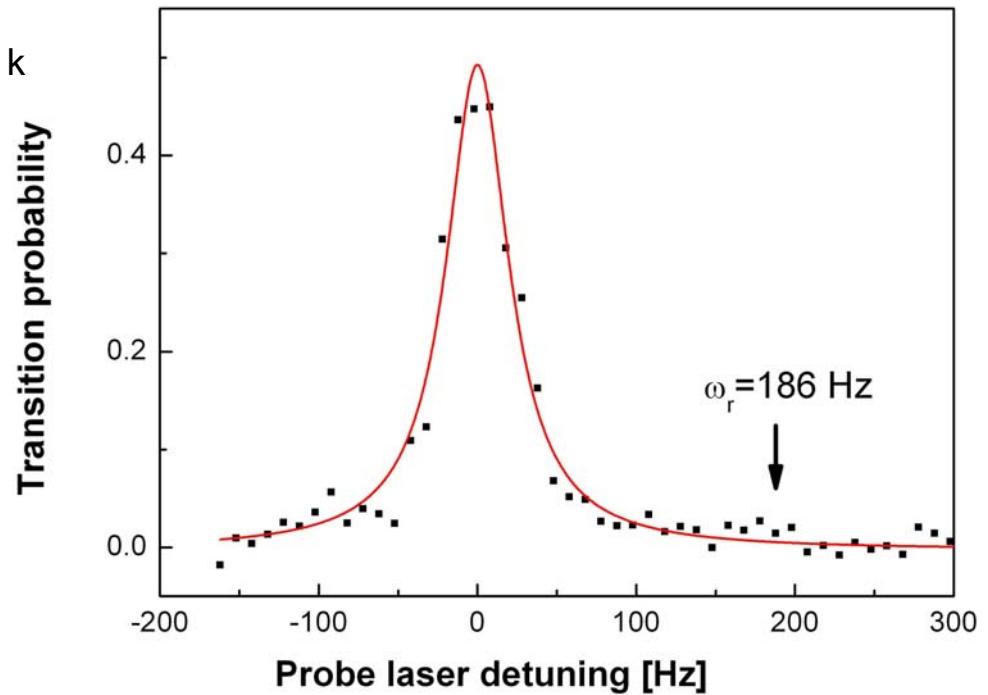
# Residual light shift



1 Hz uncertainty @ 400  $E_r$  (1.4 MHz).  
Control of the light shift at a level of  $7 \cdot 10^{-7}$

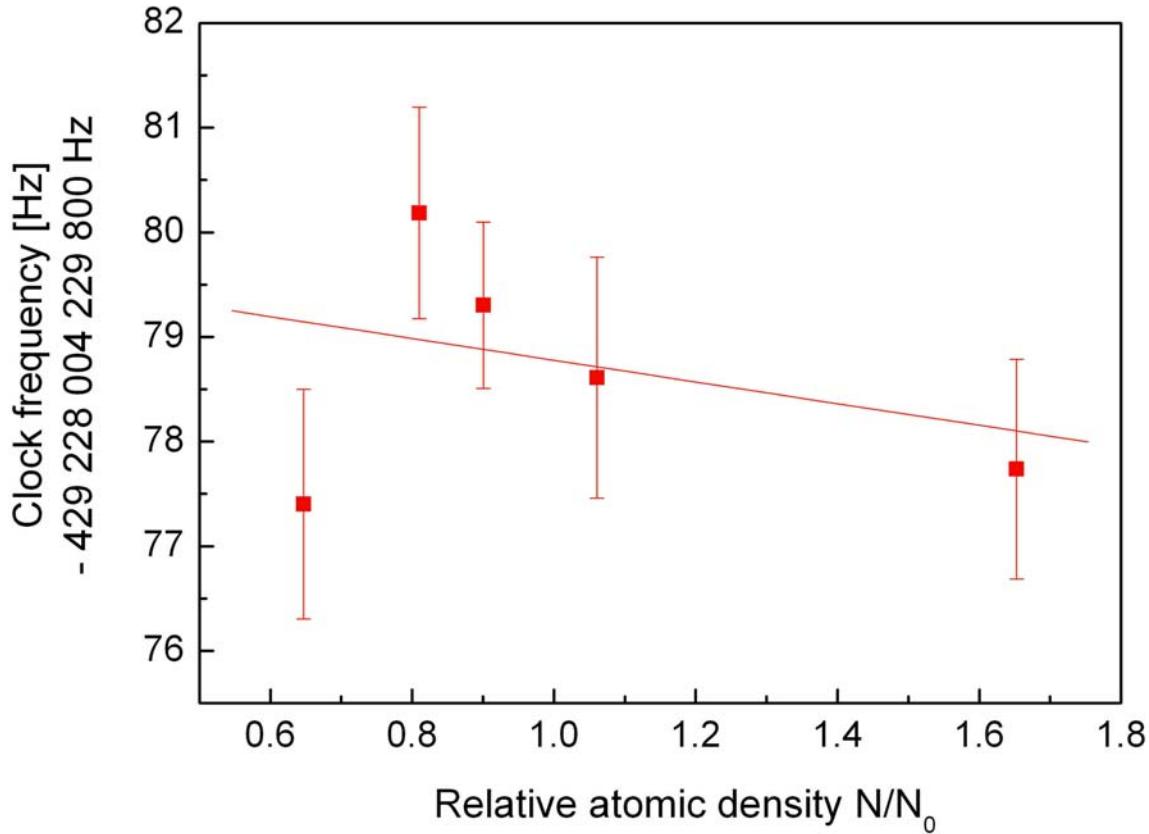
# Pulling by transverse sidebands

- probe 2  $w_0=400 \mu\text{m} \Rightarrow k_r \sim 10^{-3} \text{ km}^{-1}$
- residual probe-lattice angle
- wavefront distortion



Line pulling < 1 Hz

# Cold collisions



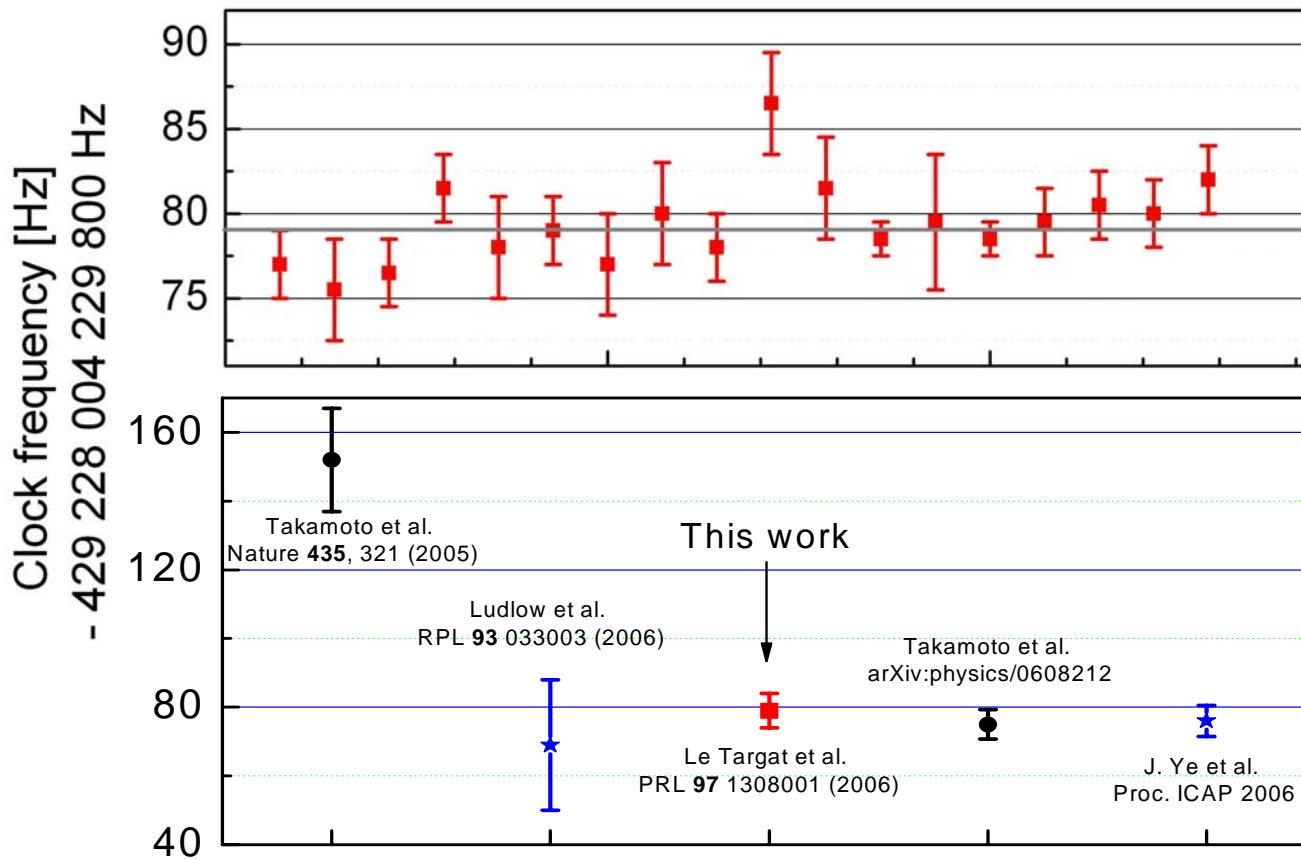
a few 10 atoms per lattice site :  $N_0 \sim 10^{11}$  at/cm<sup>3</sup>

No resolved shift: -1(1) Hz @  $N_0$

# Accuracy budget

Effect	Correction (Hz)	Uncertainty (Hz)	Fractional Uncertainty ( $10^{-14}$ )
First order Zeeman	0	5	1.2
Lattice AC Stark shift (400 Er)	4.5	0.9	0.2
Lattice 2nd order Stark shift (400 Er)	0.6	0.6	0.1
Line pulling (transverse sidebands)	0	1	0.2
Cold collisions	1	1	0.2
BBR shift	2.4	<1	<0.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>8.5 Hz</b>	<b>5.3 Hz</b>	<b><math>1.2 \cdot 10^{-14}</math></b>

# Frequency measurements



$$\nu_{1S_0-3P_0} = 429\ 228\ 004\ 229\ 879\ (5)\ \text{Hz}$$



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