The Planck constant, h,



and the redefinition of the SI

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Outline

1. The SI and the definition of the kg

2. The principle of the Watt balance

3. The past, the present, & the future of the Ekg

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A brief history of units

I. Based on man.



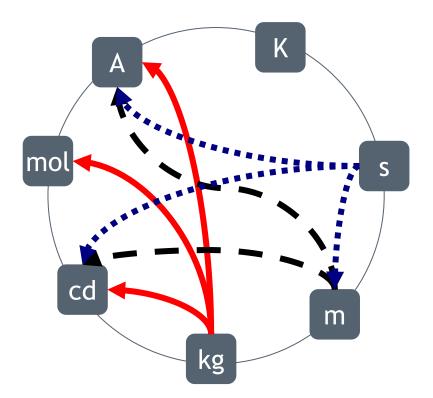
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II. Based on Earth.

III. Based on fundamental constants.

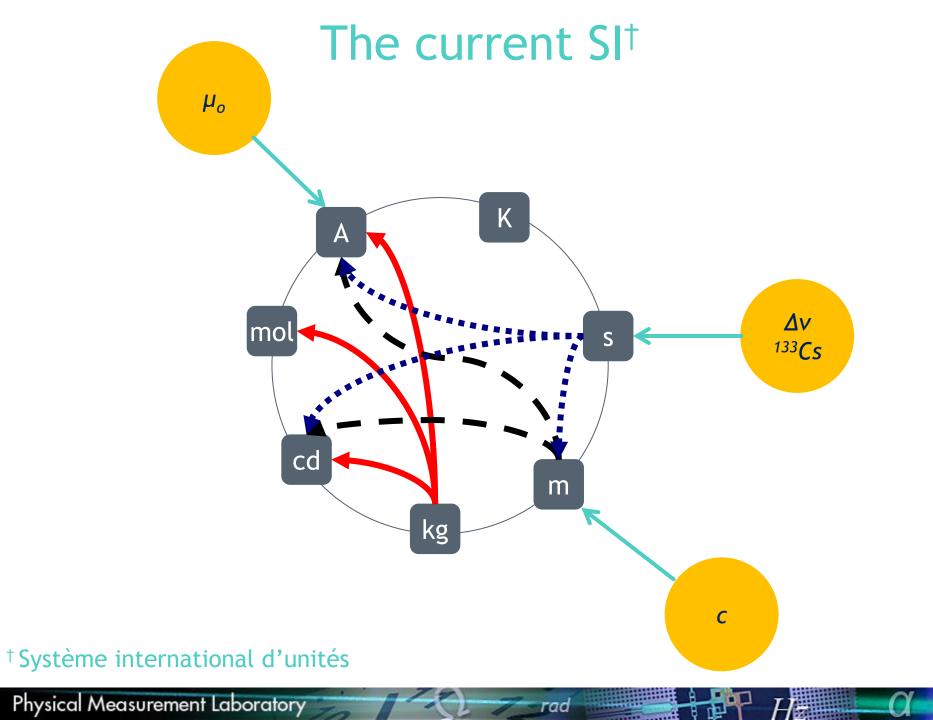
The current SI[†]

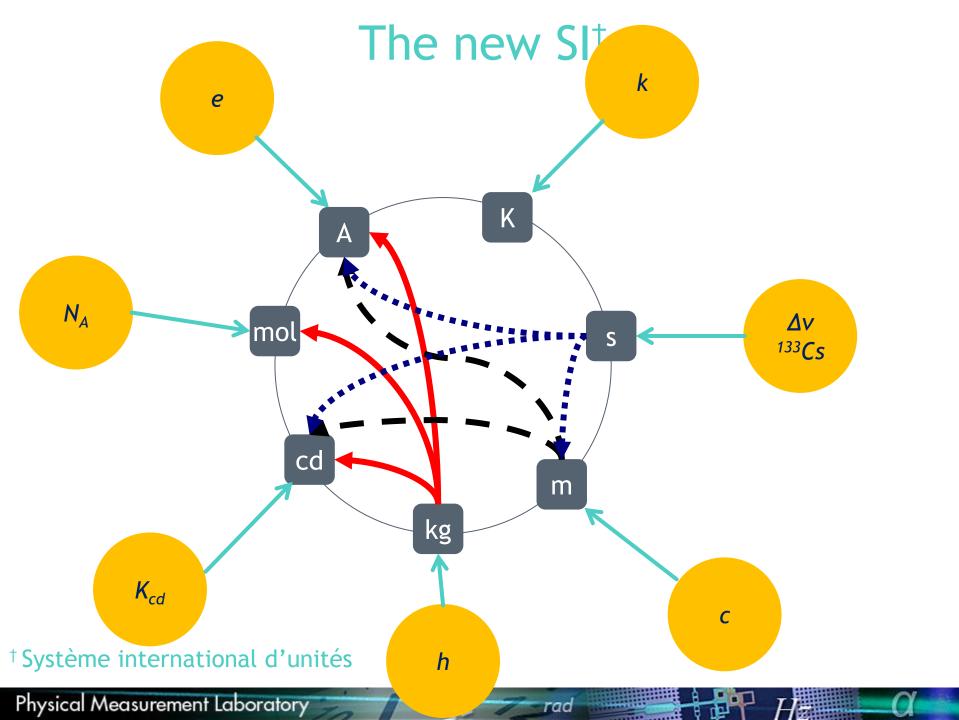


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[†] Système international d'unités





Why fix it, if it is not broken?

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The kilogram

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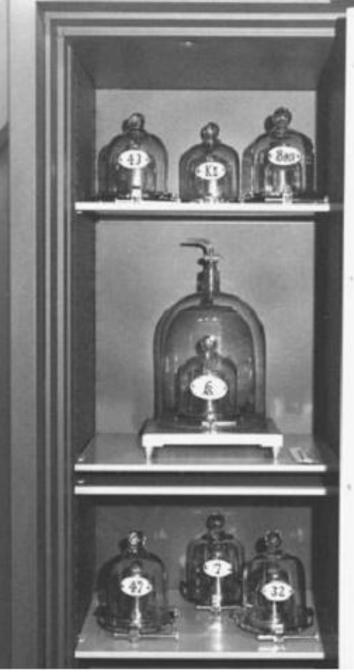
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CIPM 1989: The reference mass of the international prototype is that immediately after cleaning and washing by a specified method.

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ylindrical eight:39 mm, diameter: 39 mm lloy 90 % platinum and 10 % iridium					
International Prototype: Official Copies: K BIPM prototypes	IPK 1, 7, 8(41), 32, 43, 47				
for special use: for routine use:	25 9,31,67				
National prototypes: 12,21,5,2,16,36,6,20,23,3 18,46, 35, 38, 24, 57, 39, 40, 50, 48, 44, 55, 49,53 56, 51, 54, 58, 68, 60,70, 65,69 New prototypes Other prototypes	7, distributed by raffle 67,71,72,74,75,77-94 34				

USA:

K4 (1890) check standard
K20 (1890) national prototype
K79 (1996)
K85 (2003) watt balance
1950: -19 μg

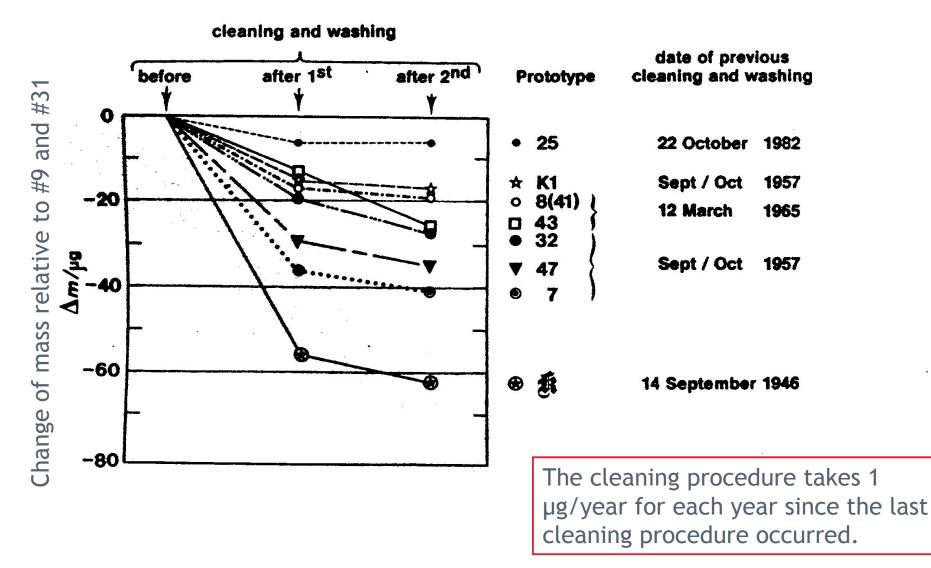
1990: -21 µg

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K92 (2008)

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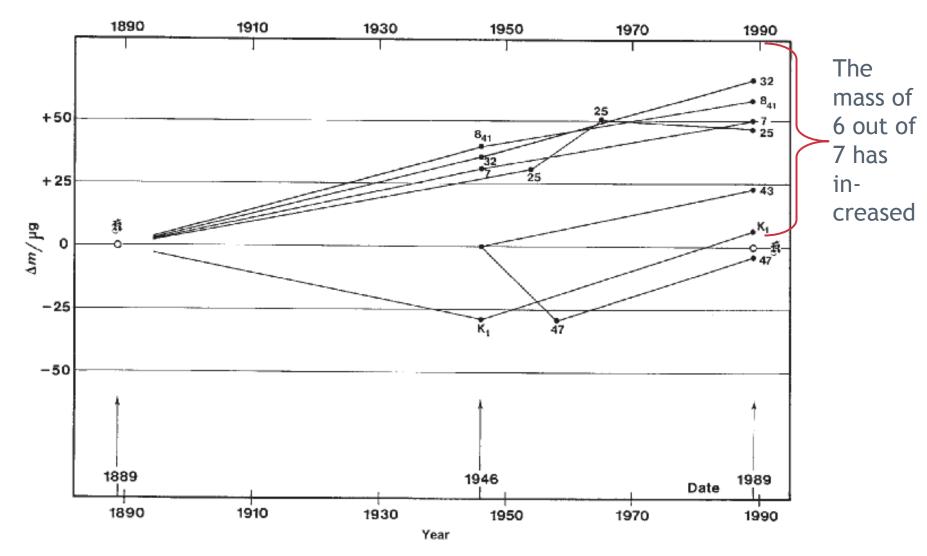
Let's look at washing



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How stable is the kilogram?



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Shortcomings

- Can be damaged or destroyed.
- Collects dirt from the ambient atmosphere.
- Cannot be used routinely for fear of wear.
- IPK changes by 50µg/100yrs relative to the ensemble of PtIr standards.
- The drift of the world wide ensembles of PtIr standards is unknown at a level of 1mg/100yrs.

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- Can only be accessed at the BIPM.
- Cannot be communicated to extraterrestrial intelligence.

The kilogram influences other units

derived unit base units $1 V = 1 \frac{J}{As} = 1 \frac{kg m^2}{As^3}$

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Two advances in metrology in "recent years"

1. Josephson Effect

Josephson Junction (JJ) array

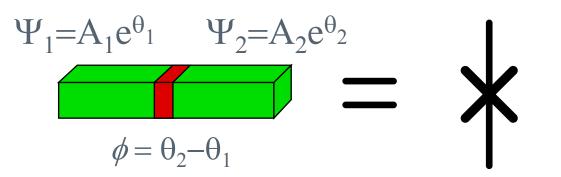
2. Integral Quantum Hall Effect

Quantum Hall Resistor

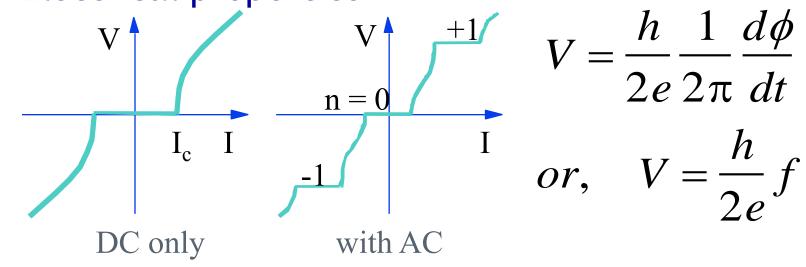
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Josephson Junction

• Weak link between two superconductors



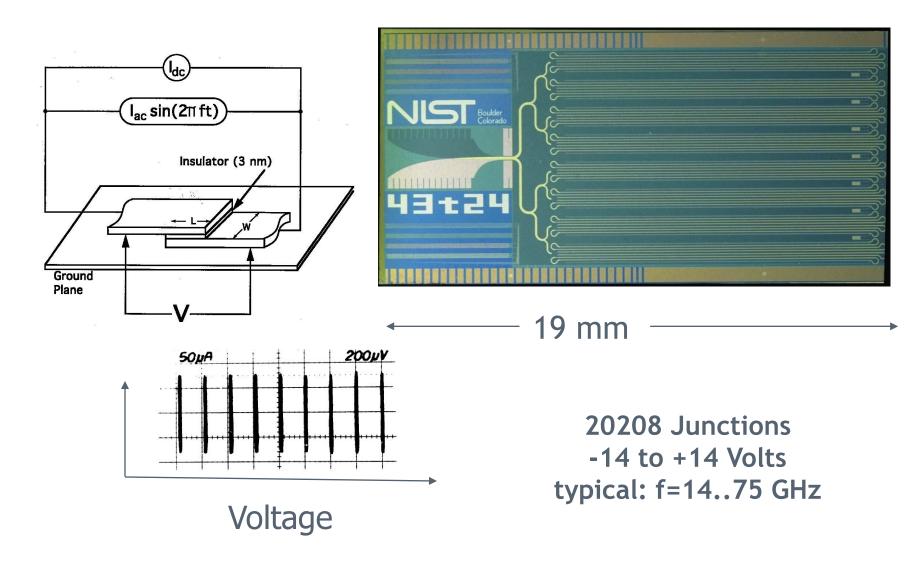
• Electrical properties



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JJ array

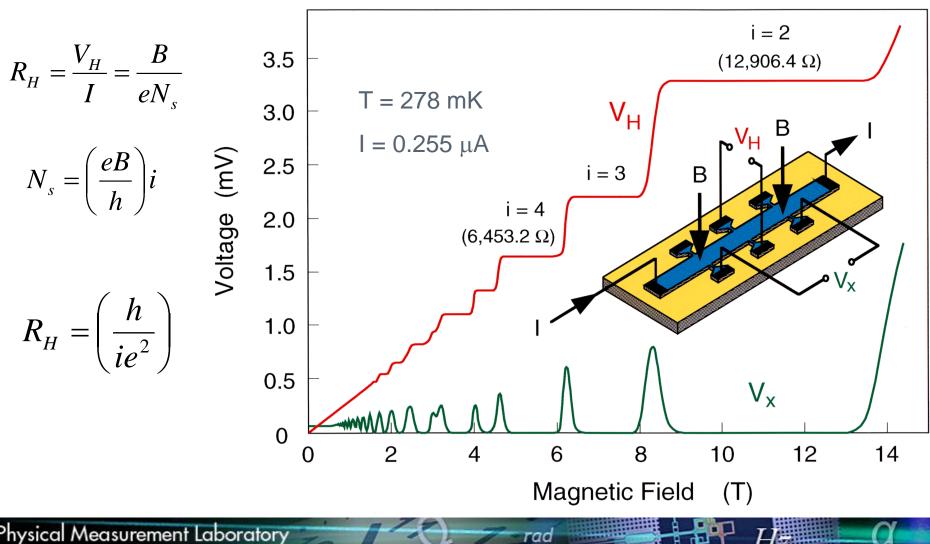


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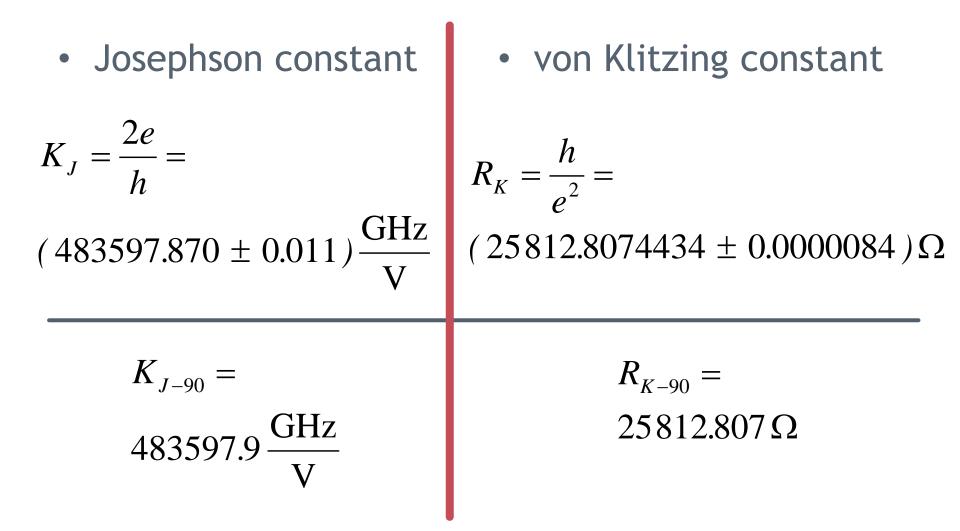
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Quantum Hall Effect



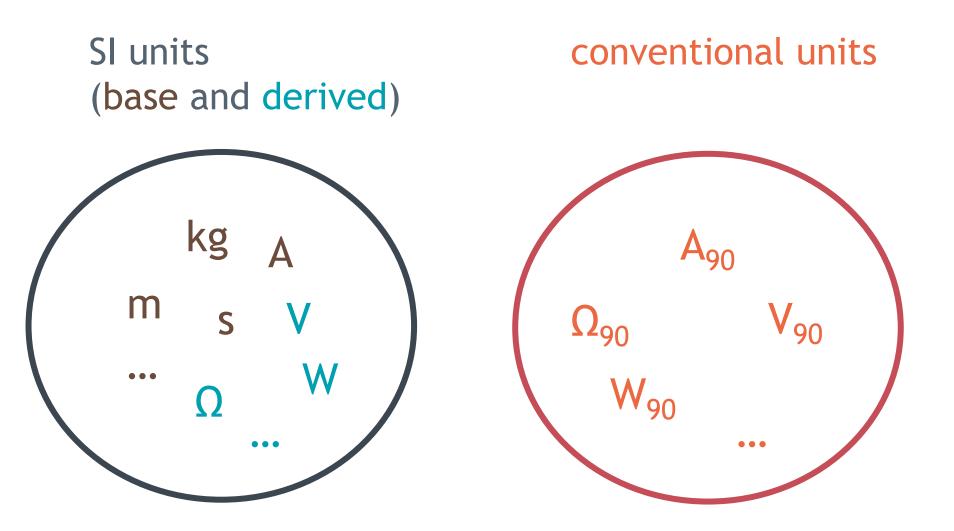
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Two new constants



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A schism in metrology



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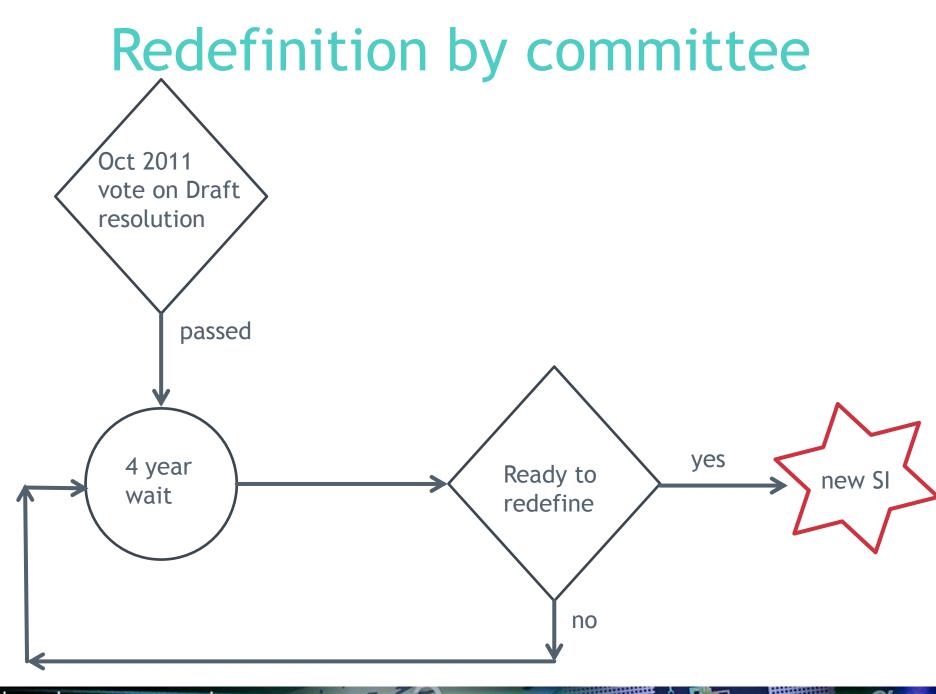
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Difference between SI and 90 units

1 V	= (1 -	62.0 x 10 ⁻⁹	±	22.7 x 10 ⁻⁹)	V ₉₀
1 Ω	= (1 -	17.2 x 10 ⁻⁹	±	0.3 x 10 ⁻⁹)	Ω ₉₀
1 A	= (1 -	44.9 x 10 ⁻⁹	±	22.7 x 10 ⁻⁹)	A ₉₀
1 C	= (1 -	44.9 x 10 ⁻⁹	±	22.7 x 10 ⁻⁹)	C ₉₀
1 W	= (1 -	106.9 x 10 ⁻⁹	±	45.5 x 10 ⁻⁹)	W ₉₀
1 F	= (1 +	17.2 x 10 ⁻⁹	±	0.3 x 10 ⁻⁹)	F ₉₀
1 H	= (1 -	17.2 x 10 ⁻⁹	±	0.3 x 10 ⁻⁹)	H ₉₀

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http://physics.nist.gov/cuu/Constants/index.html



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The current SI

m	The meter is the length of the path travelled by light in vacuum during a time interval of 1/299 792 458 of a second
kg	The kilogram is the unit of mass; it is equal to the mass of the international prototype of the kilogram.
S	The second is the duration of 9 192 631 770 periods of the radiation corresponding to the transition between the two hyperfine levels of the ground state of the caesium 133 atom.
Α	The ampere is that constant current which, if maintained in two straight parallel conductors of infinite length, of negligible circular cross-section, and placed 1 meter apart in vacuum, would produce between these conductors a force equal to 2×10^{-7} newton per meter of length.
K	The kelvin, unit of thermodynamic temperature, is the fraction 1/273.16 of the thermodynamic temperature of the triple point of water.
mol	The mole is the amount of substance of a system which contains as many elementary entities as there are atoms in 0.012 kilogram of carbon 12; its symbol is "mol."
cd	The candela is the luminous intensity, in a given direction, of a source that emits monochromatic radiation of frequency 540×1012 hertz and that has a radiant intensity in that direction of $1/683$ watt per steradian.

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The "new" SI

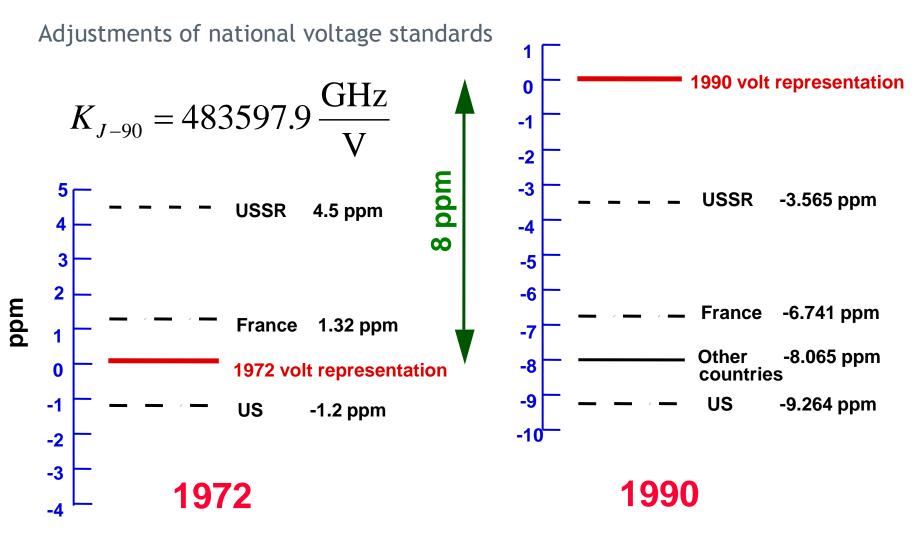
Based on seven reference constants.

$\Delta v(^{133}Cs)$	ground state hfs	9.192 631 770	•10 ⁹	S ⁻¹
С	speed of light	2.99 792 458	•10 ⁸	ms ⁻¹
h	Planck's constant	6.626 069 57*	•10 ⁻³⁴	kg m ² s ⁻¹
е	elementary charge	1.602 176 565	•10 ⁻¹⁹	As
k	Boltzmann constant	1.380 6448	·10 ⁻²³	kg m ² s ⁻¹ K ⁻¹
N _A	Avogadro constant	6.022 141 29	·10 ²³	mol ⁻¹
K _{cd}	luminous efficacy	6.83	•10 ²	lm kg ⁻¹ m ⁻² s ³

* The exact numerical value will be determined by CODATA at the time of the redefiniton. The above values are today's CODATA values.

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Redefinitions do happen



B.Taylor and T.Witt, "New International Electrical Reference Standards Based on the Josephson and Quantum Hall Effects," Metrologia, 26, 47-62 (1989)

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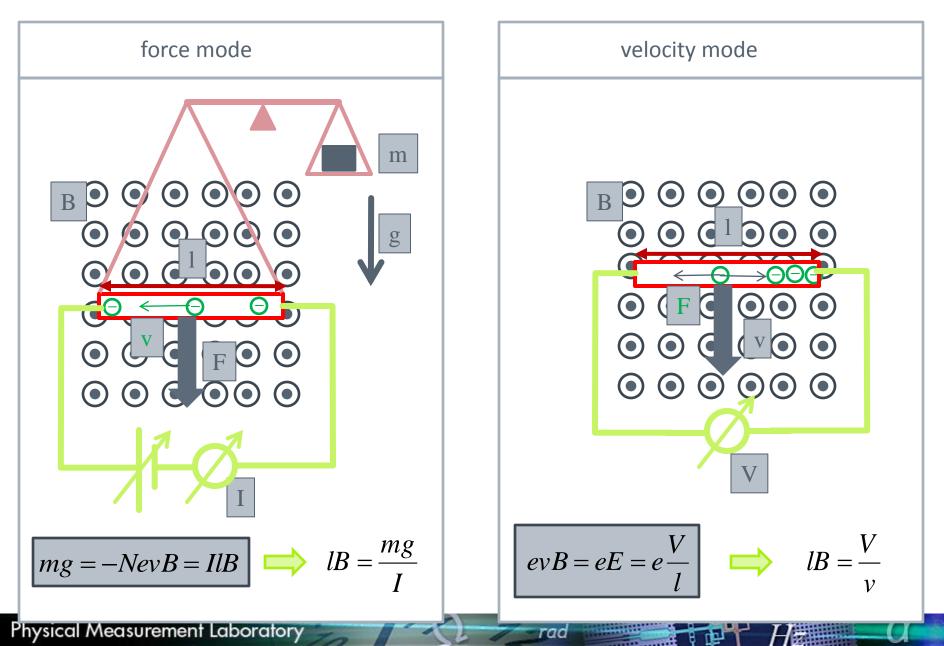
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The principle of the Watt balance



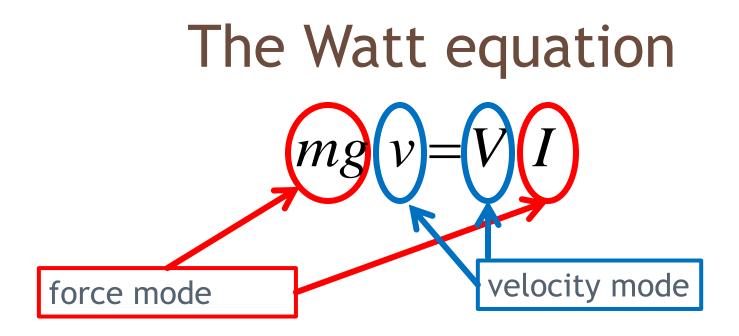
The Watt equation

mg v = V I

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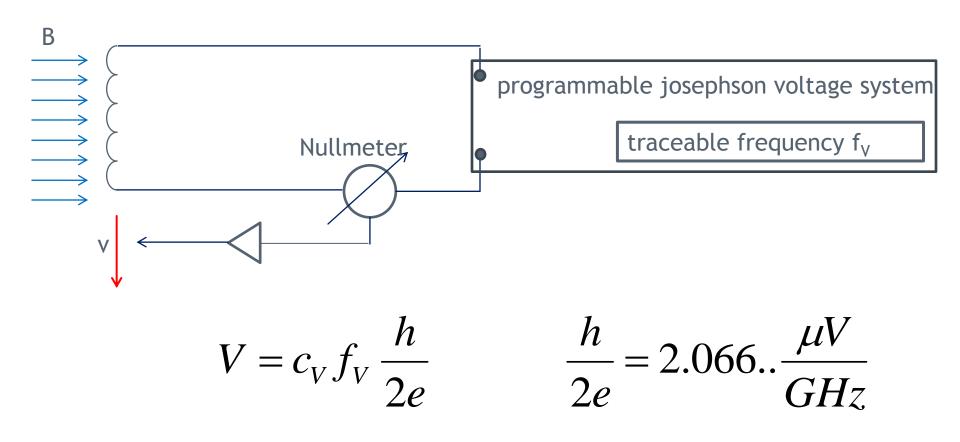


Virtual power !

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Connection to Planck's constant

velocity mode



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Connection to Planck's constant force mode programmable jvs traceable frequency f_{R} В $\overset{}{ } \overset{}{ }$ adjustable current R source Nullmeter $-\frac{c_{RV}f_R}{\frac{1}{2e}}h$ R is calibrated against a Quantum Hall Resistor R_{κ} $R = c_R R_K = c_R \frac{h}{\rho^2}$ R rad

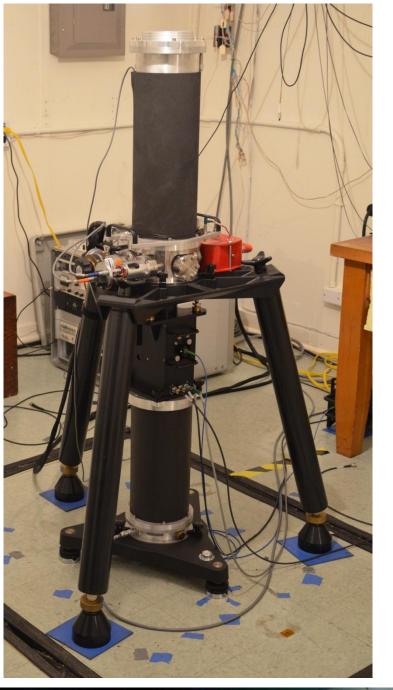
Combining the two modes

$$VI = V\frac{V_R}{R} = \frac{c_V f_V h}{2e} \frac{c_{RV} f_R \frac{h}{2e}}{c_R \frac{h}{e^2}} = \frac{c_V c_{RV}}{c_R 4} f_R f_V h$$

$$m = \frac{c_V c_{RV}}{4c_R} \frac{f_v f_{VR}}{gv} h$$

Mass can be defined in terms of Planck's constant.

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Gravity

Absolute gravimeter, can measure g to 1 ppb

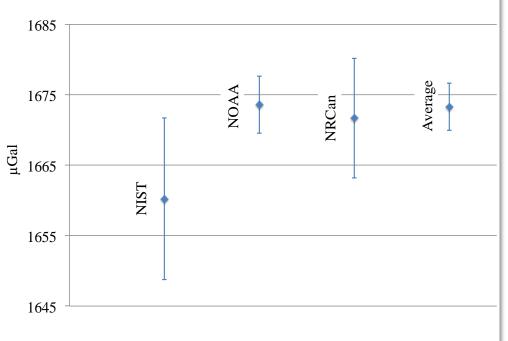
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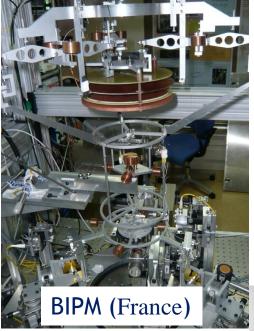
2012 North American Watt Balance Absolute Gravity Comparison (NAWBAG-2012)

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Worldwide Watt Balances (WWB)



NIM (China) MSL (New Zealand) KRISS (South Korea) PTB (Germany) ?

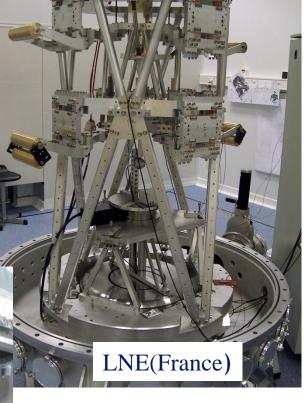
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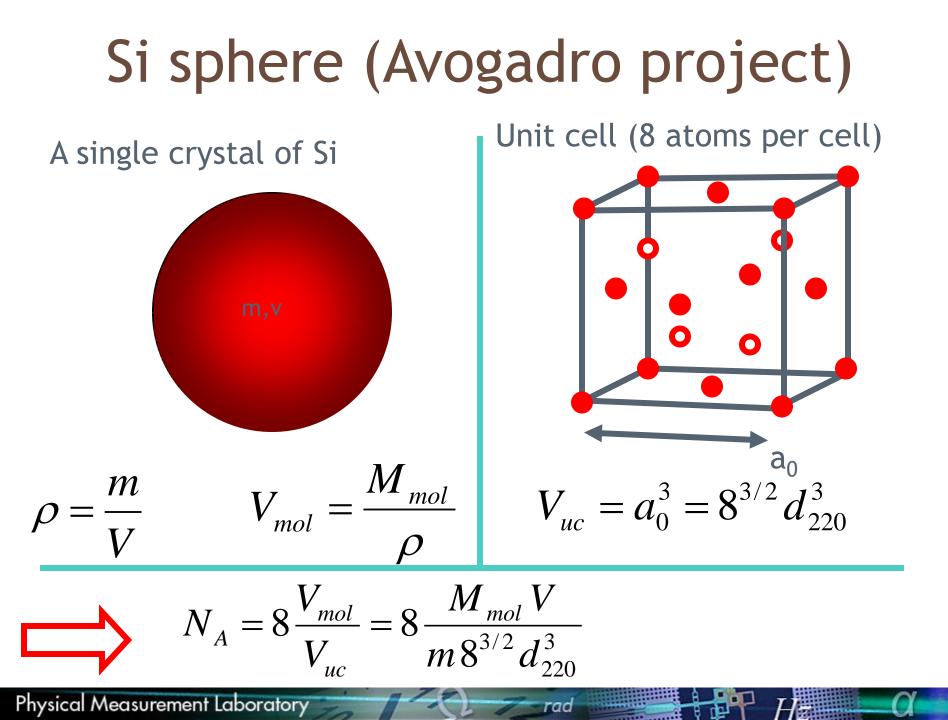
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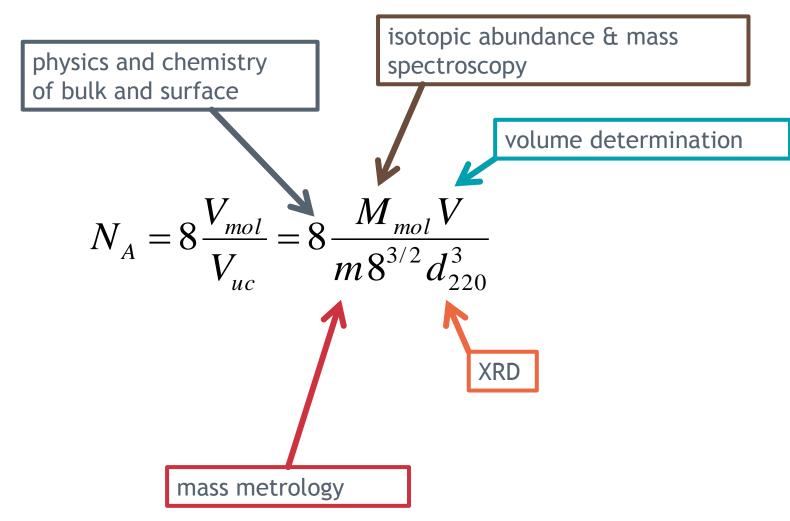
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- There is another way to measure h
- The International Avogadro Project

PTB, Germany NMIJ, Japan NMI, Australia METAS, Switzerland NIST, US INRIM, Italy BIPM IRMM, Belgium



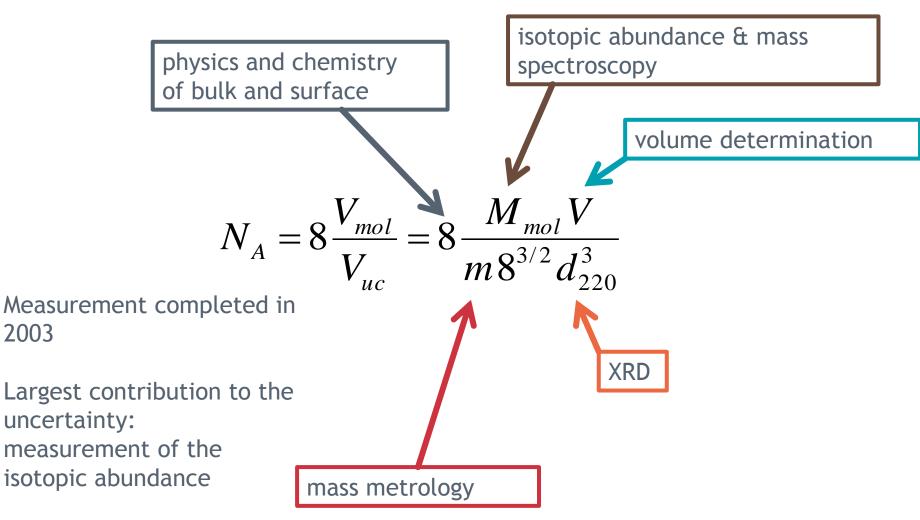
Measurements needed



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Measurements needed

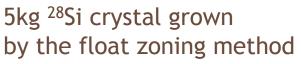


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Solution: Use enriched Si.

Pictures





Si sphere

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Connection between h and N_A

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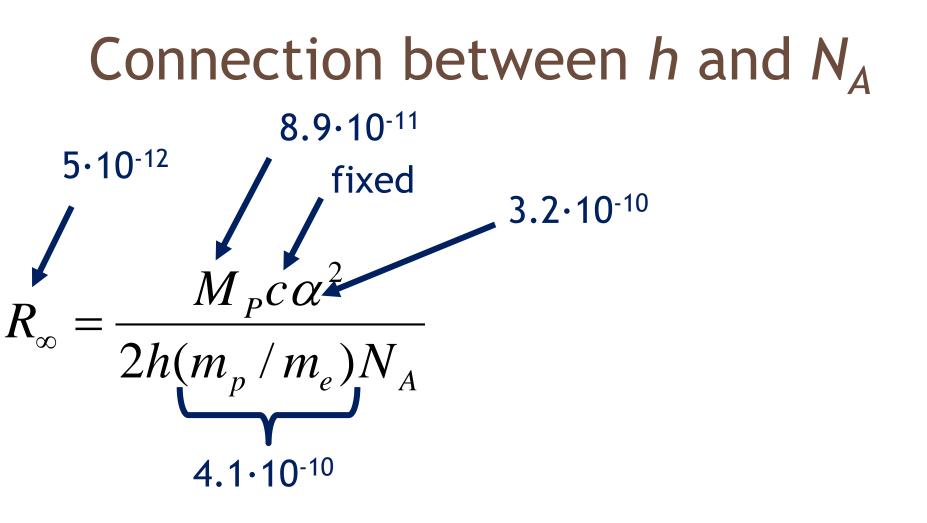
 $=\frac{m_e c \alpha^2}{2h}$ R_{∞}

Connection between h and N_{Δ} m_p $=\frac{m_e c \alpha^2}{2h} = \frac{m_e c \alpha^2 M_p / N_A}{2hm_p}$ R_{∞}

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Connection between h and N_{A} m_p $=\frac{m_e c \alpha^2}{2h} = \frac{m_e c \alpha^2 \dot{M}_p / N_A}{2hm_p} = \frac{1}{2}$ $M_{P}c\alpha^{2}$ $2h(m_p/m_e)N_A$

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The birth of the Watt balance

A MEASUREMENT OF THE GYROMAGNETIC RATIO OF THE

PROTON BY THE STRONG FIELD METHOD

B. P. Kibble

Division of Electrical Science

National Physical Laboratory, Teddington, England

Atomic Masses and Fundamental Constants 5ed J H Sanders and A H Wapstra (New York: Plenum), p. 545-51 (1976).

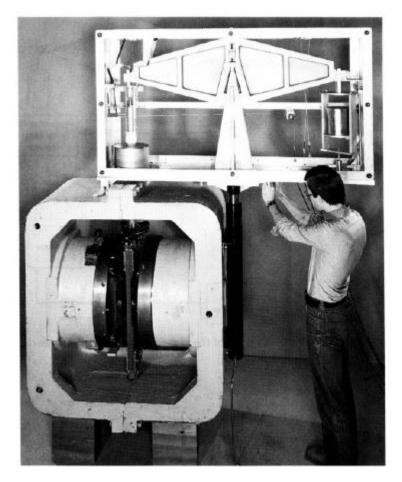
4 A SUGGESTION FOR A DIFFERENT WAY OF REALISING THE AMPERE

A major aim of these measurements is to determine the ratio of the maintained ampere to the SI ampere, denoted by K, by combining the result with that of the weak field method (Cohen and Taylor 1973). We take this opportunity to draw attention to a possible way of determining K directly which needs only minor modifications to the strong field apparatus described above.

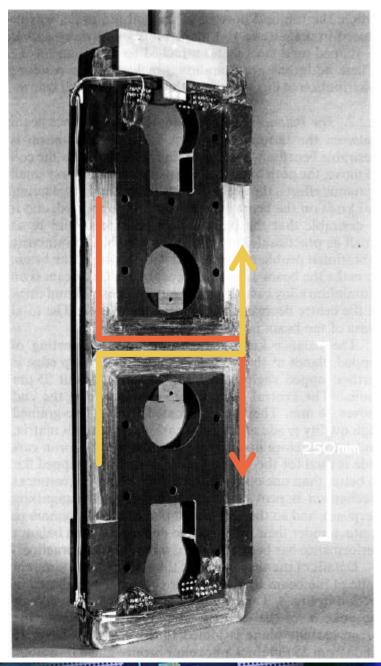
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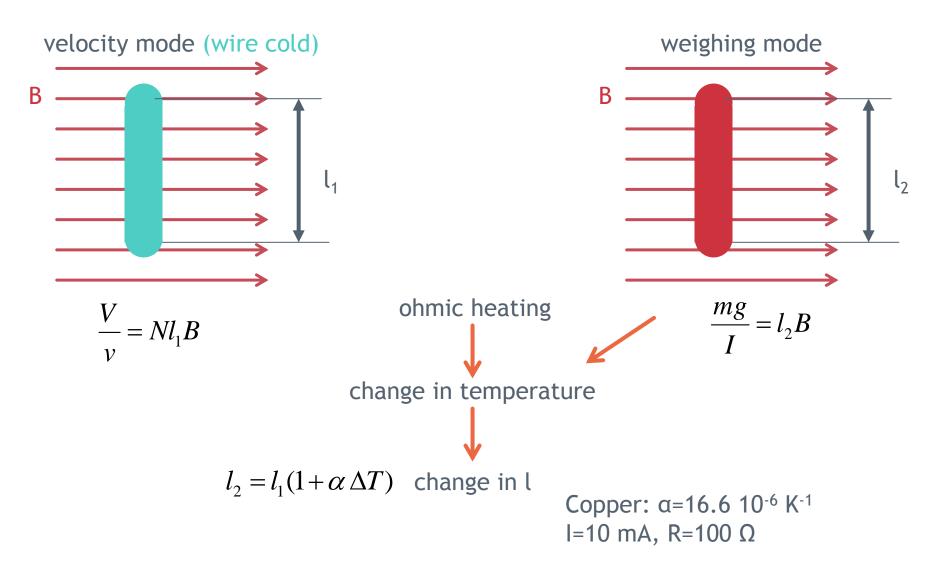
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B. P. Kibble, I.A. Robinson, J.H. Beliss, metrologia **27**, 173 (1990).



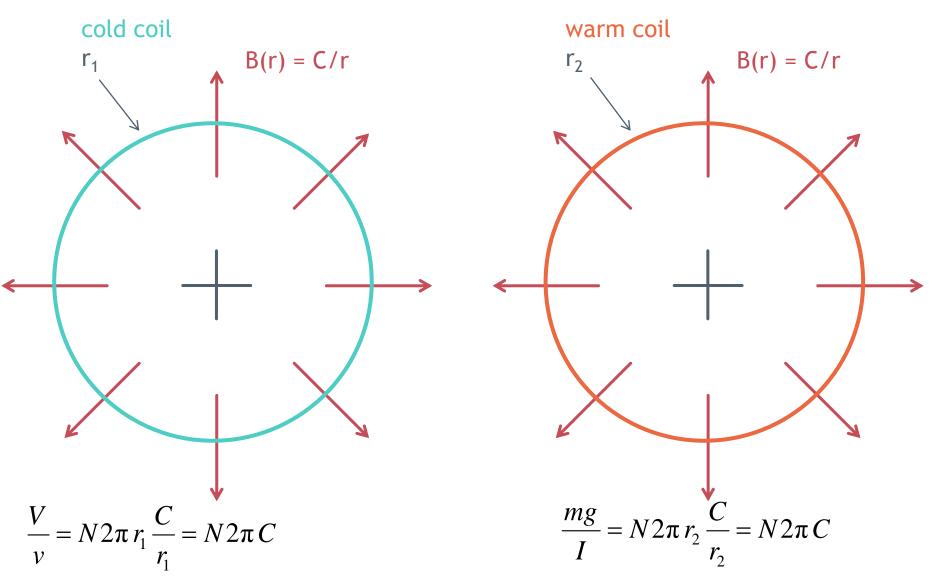
One shortcoming



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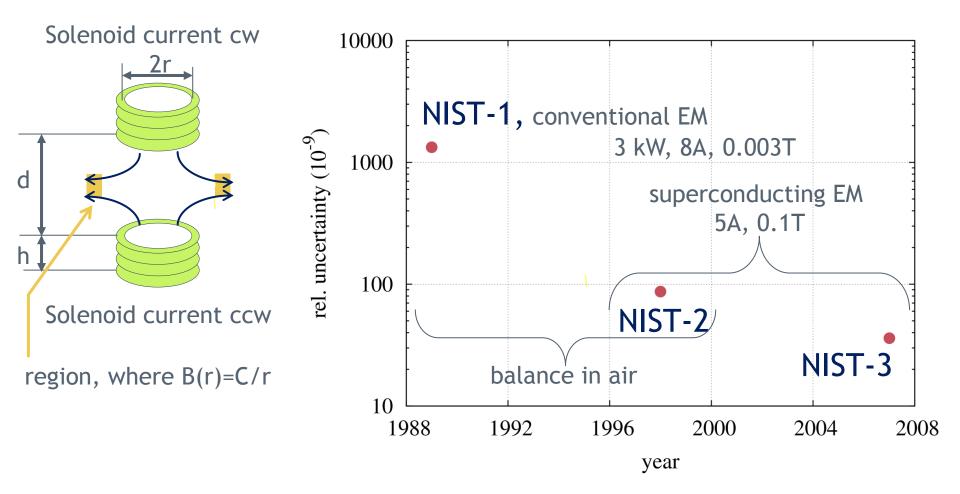
The solution (idea by P.T. Olsen)



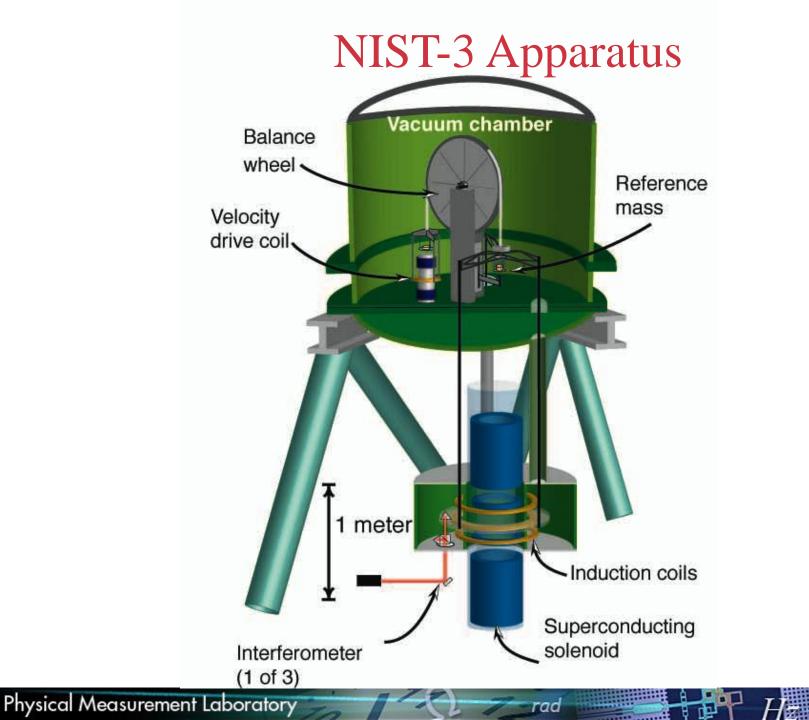
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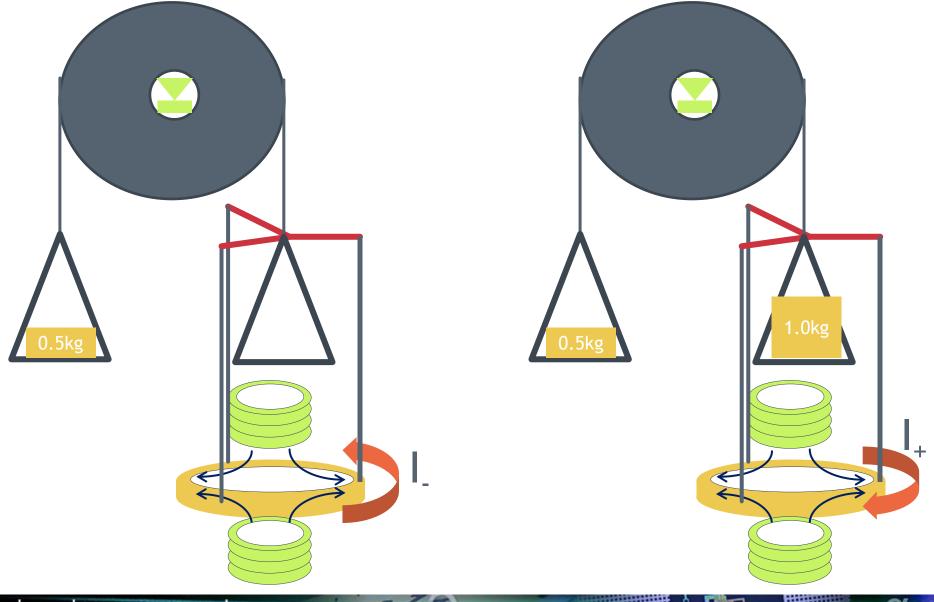
The NIST way



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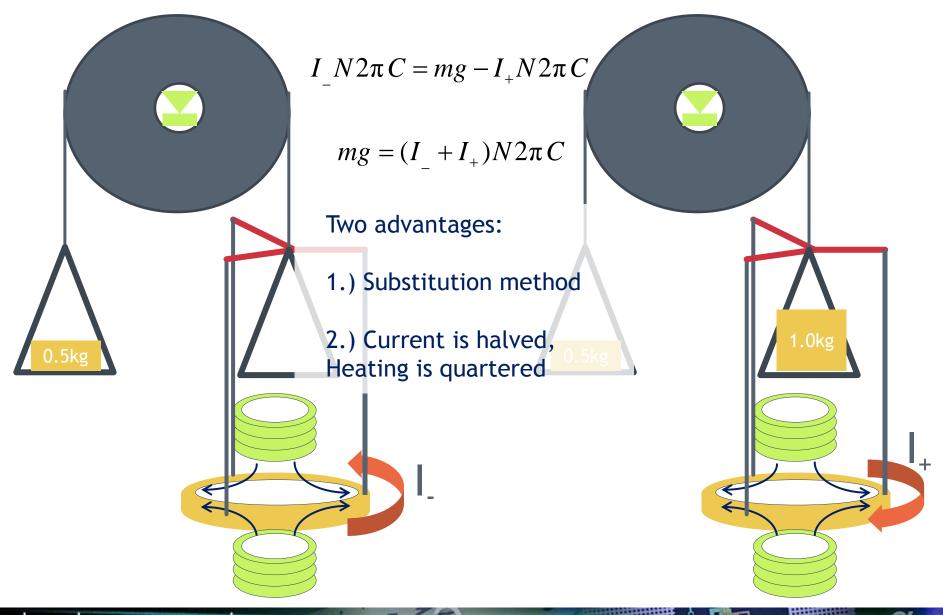


The weighing mode (in more detail)



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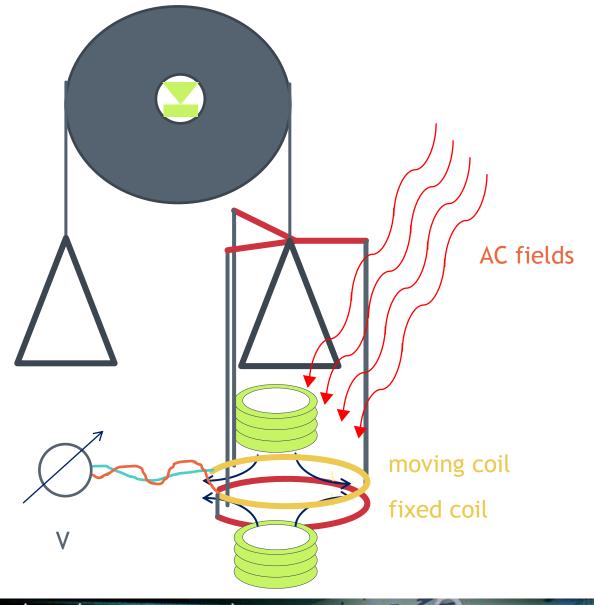
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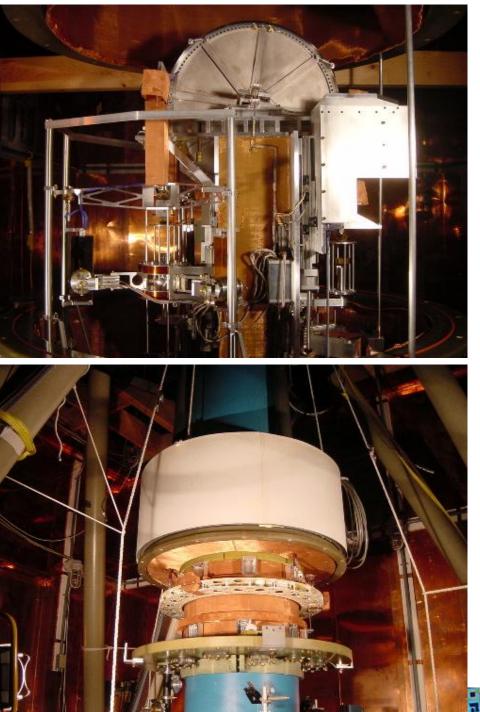


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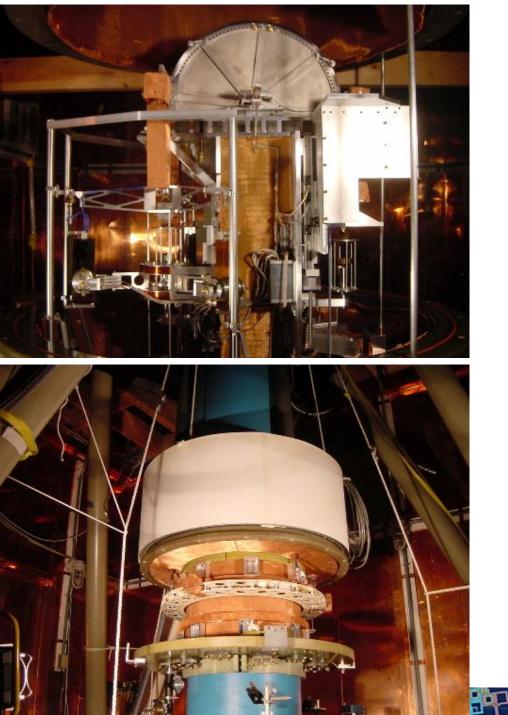
The velocity mode (in more detail)

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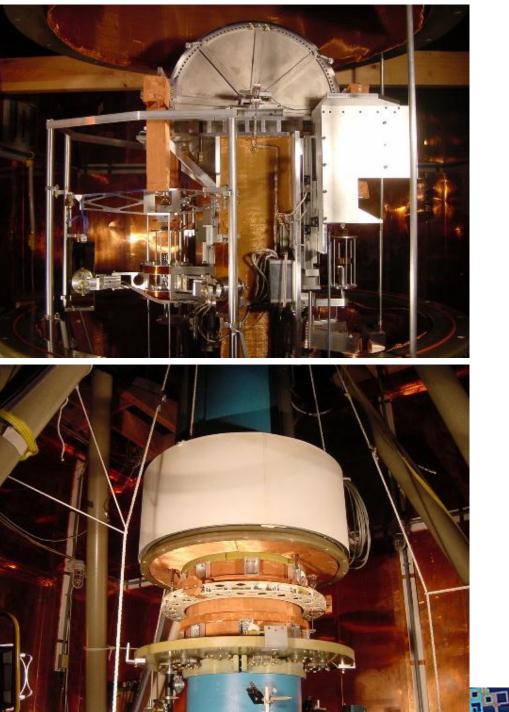




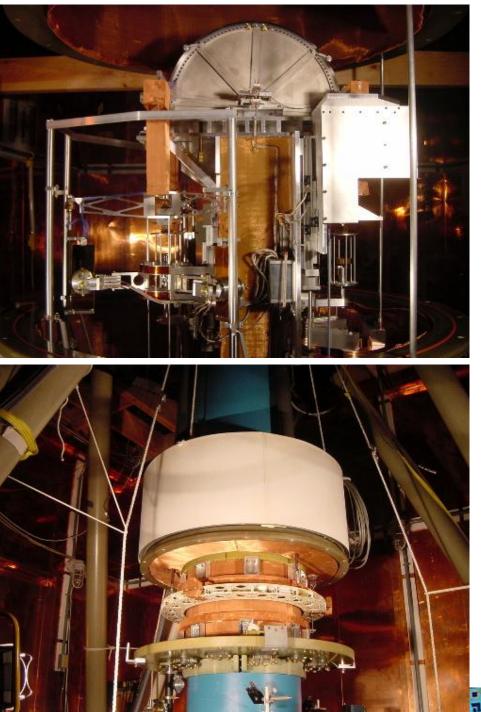
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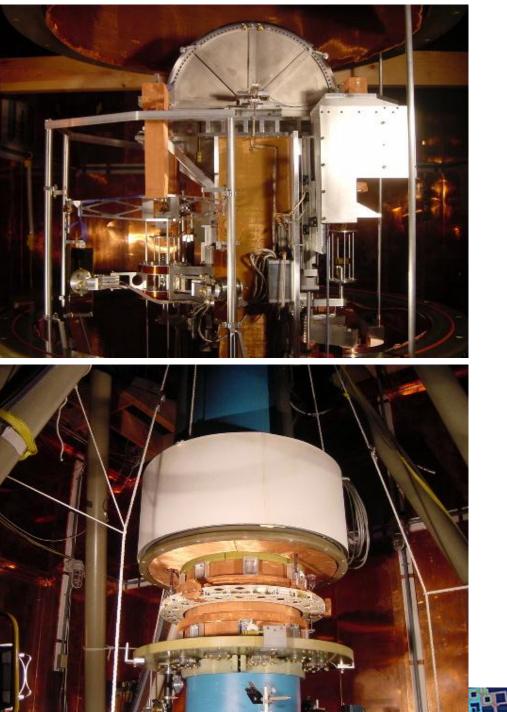
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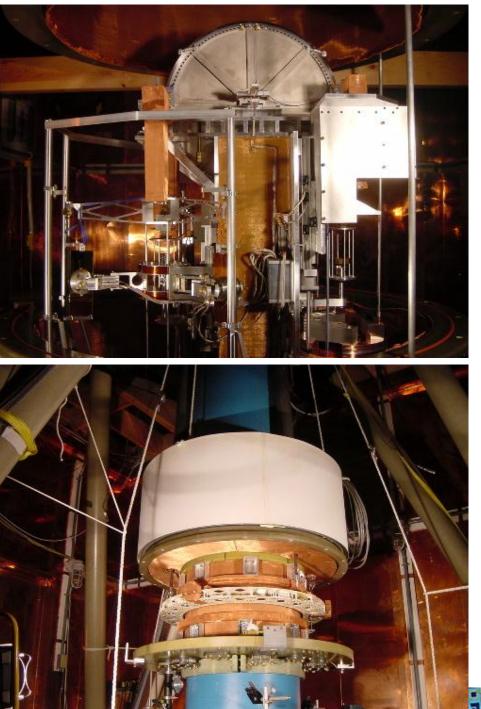
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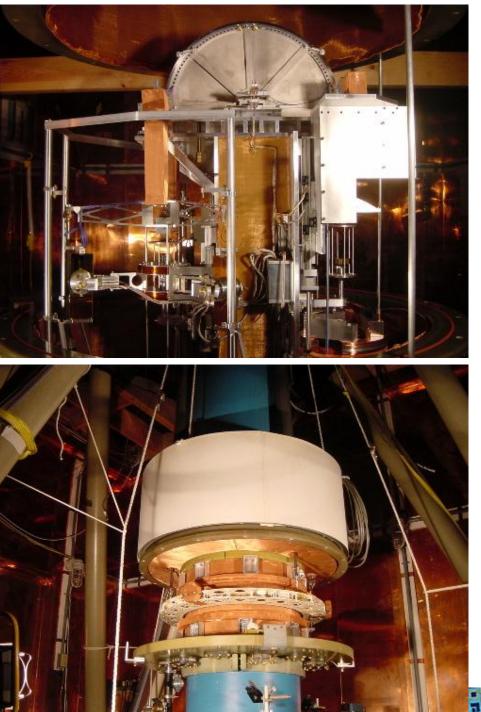


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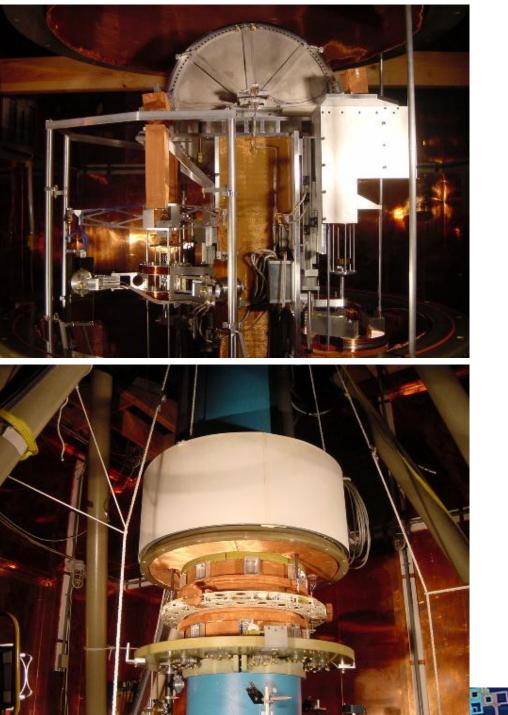


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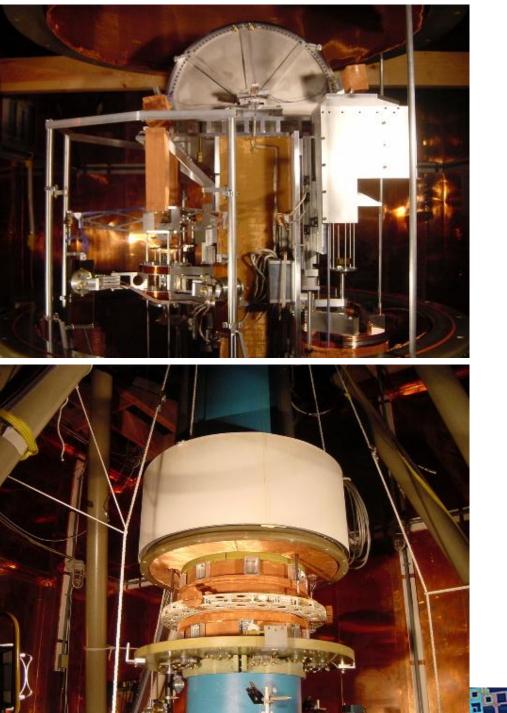
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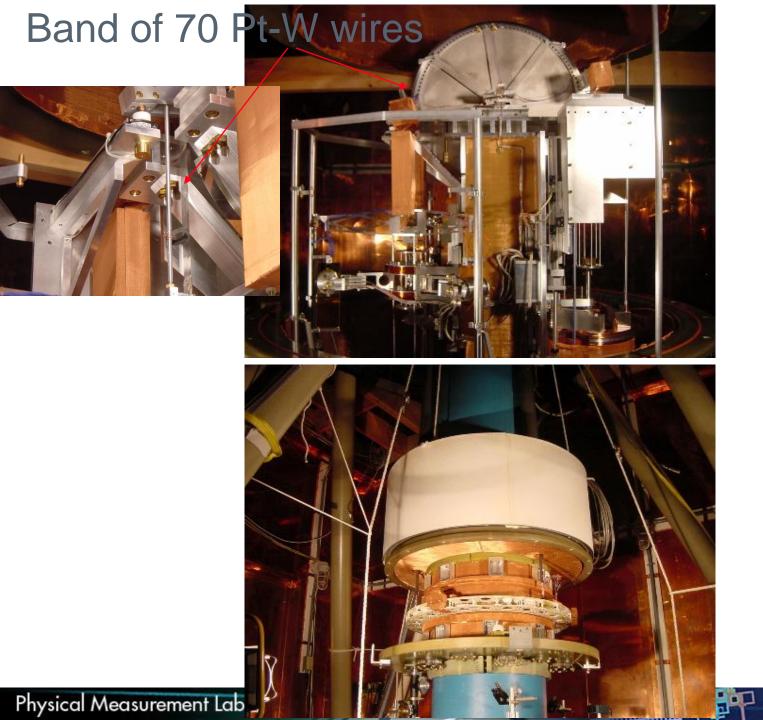
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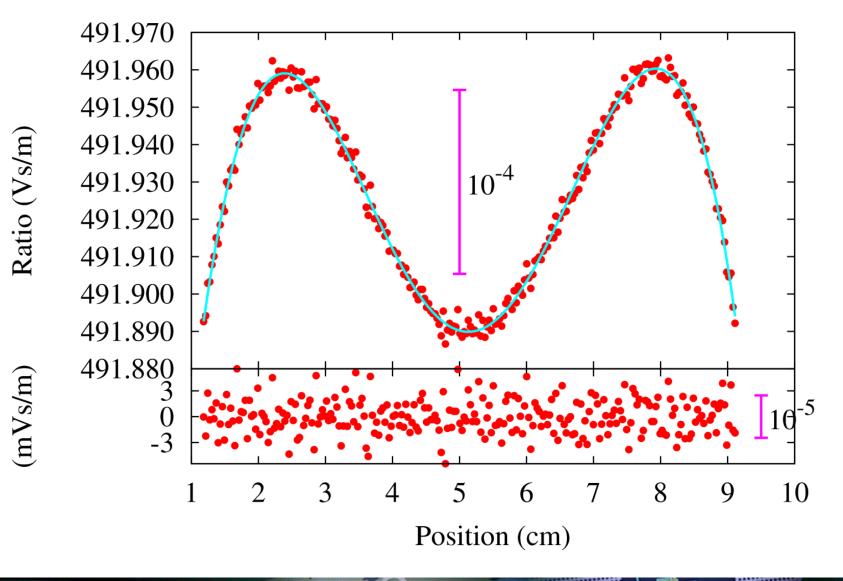


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Voltage velocity measurement



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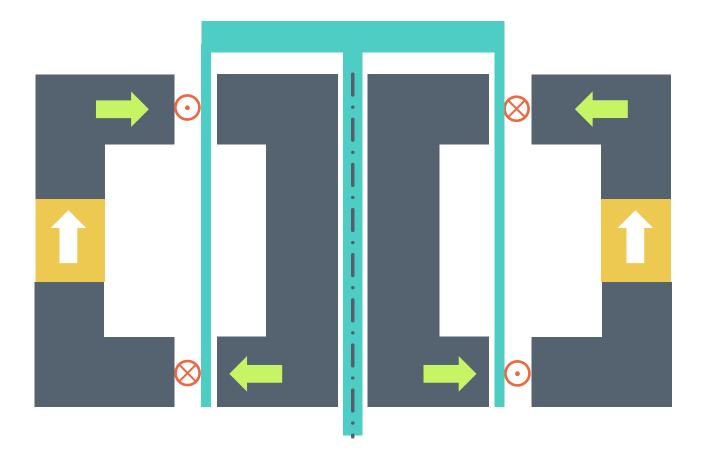


NPL-2 = NRC-1

- equal arm beam balance
- design with 3 knives
- SmCo permanent magnet
- radial field

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NRC-1 magnet design

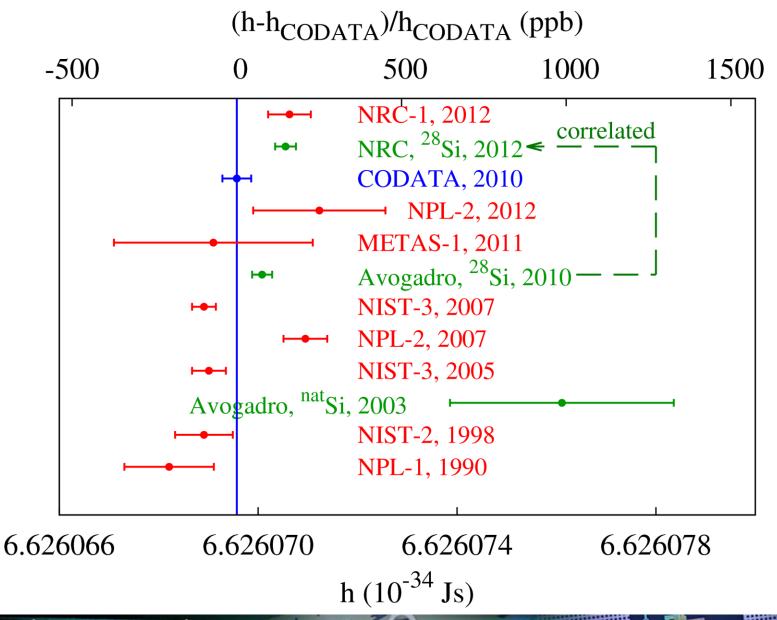


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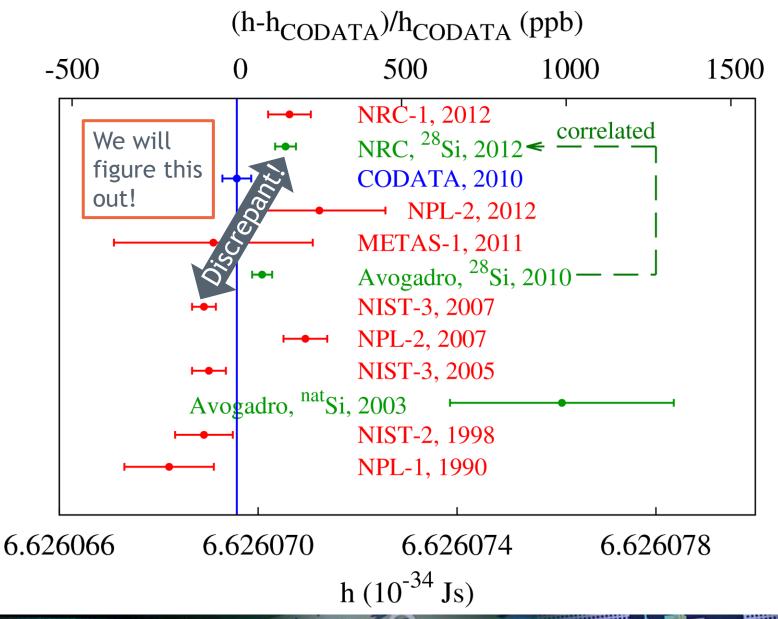
The present!



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• A new, (mostly independent) team will measure a last data point with NIST-3.

• Blind measurement: The mass group will measure our masses. But they will add a to us unknown offset (-500ppb...500ppb) to the values.

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RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE FOR MASS AND RELATED QUANTITIES SUBMITTED TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

RECOMMENDATION G 1 (2010) Considerations on a new definition of the kilogram

The Consultative Committee for Mass and Related Quantities (CCM)

recalling its previous Recommendation to the CIPM on the "Conditions for a new definition of the kilogram", CCM G 1 (2005), and

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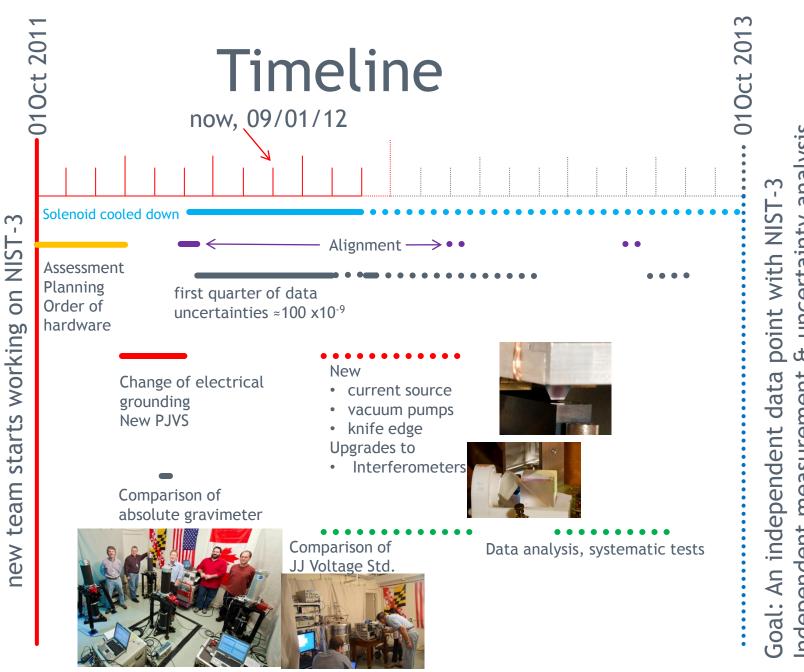
considering

recommends

- that the following conditions be met before the kilogram is redefined in terms of fundamental constants:
 - at least three independent experiments, including work both from watt balance and from International Avogadro Coordination projects, yield values of the relevant constants with relative standard uncertainties not larger than 5 parts in 10⁸. At least one of these results should have a relative standard uncertainty not larger than 2 parts in 10⁸,
 - for each of the relevant constants, values provided by the different experiments be consistent at the 95 % level of confidence,
 - traceability of BIPM prototypes to the international prototype of the kilogram be confirmed,

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- that the CODATA recommended values be adopted for the relevant fundamental constants,
- that the associated CODATA relative standard uncertainties be suitably considered when the initial uncertainty is assigned to the mass of the international prototype of the kilogram,



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Changes

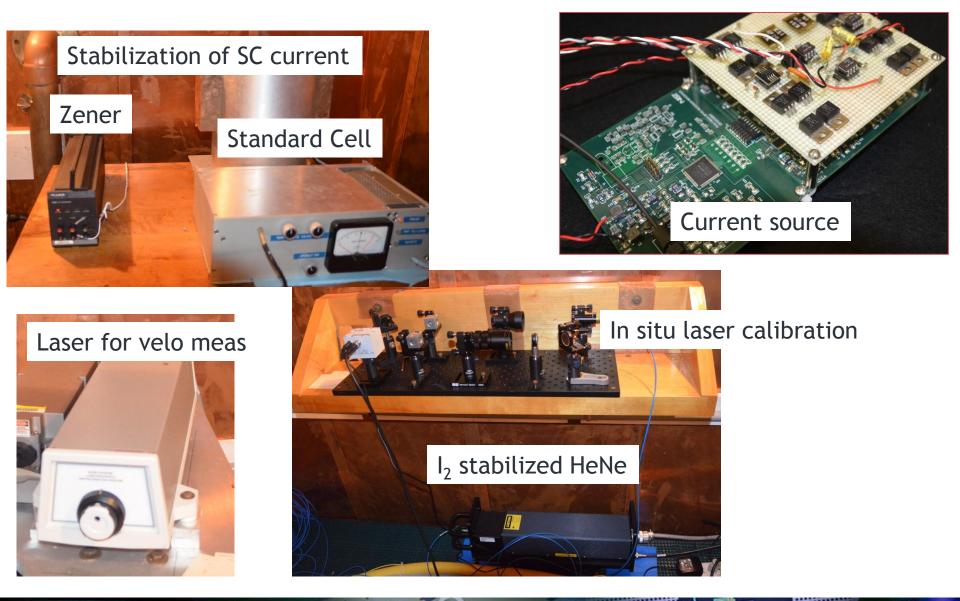


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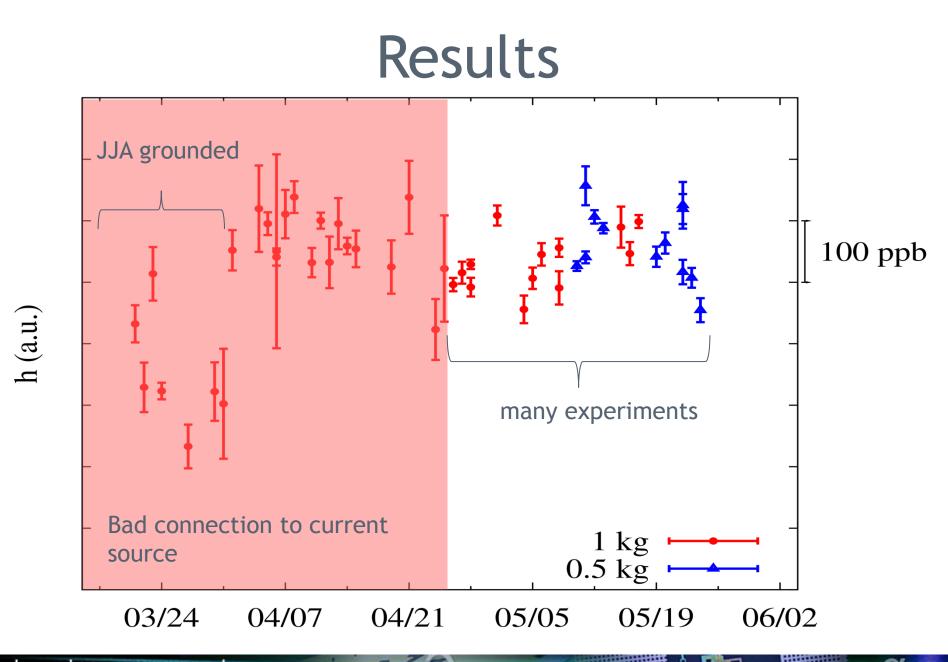
Autocollimator for laser alignment

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Changes continued



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In the meantime we are building NIST-4 NIST-3 NIST-4

"The Thoroughbred is a horse breed best known for its use in horse racing. Thoroughbreds are considered "hot-blooded" horses, known for their agility, speed and spirit." "The Clydesdale is a cold blooded horse appreciated for its strength, style, and versatility. Like all cold-blooded horses the Clydesdale has a stolid demeanor and is not suitable for sports other than hauling or pulling."



- Watt balance to measure h
- Optimized for the best measurement of h
- Highly sophisticated
- Costly to operate and maintain
- Lifetime: ≈10 years

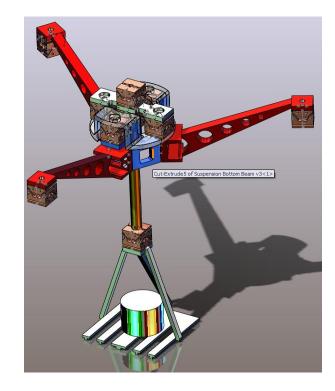


- Watt balance to realize the kg
- Optimized for reliable operation
- Ease of Use

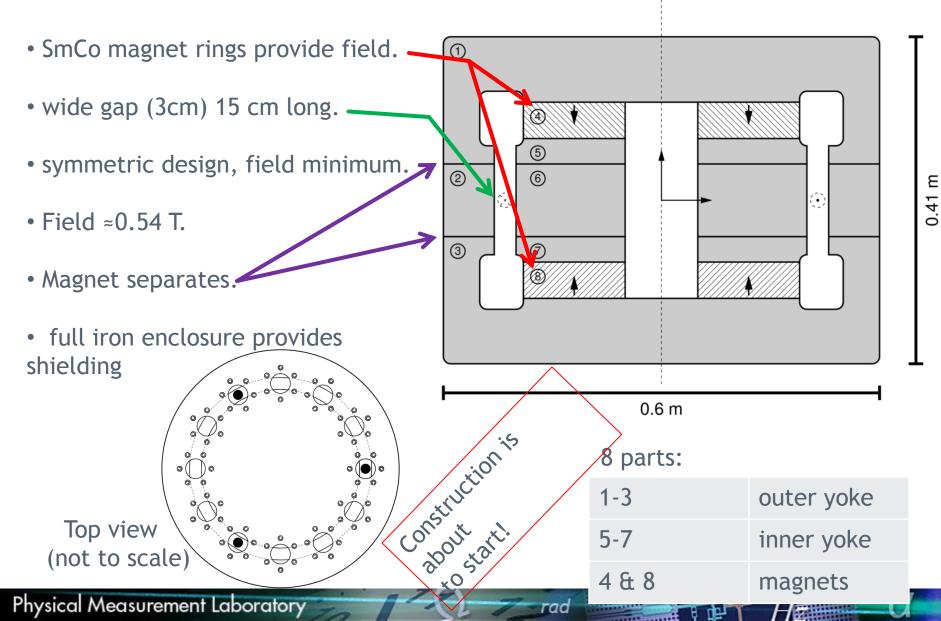
- Low maintenance
- Lifetime: >30 years

NIST-4

- Design has started.
- Baseline design: Wheel balance with permanent magnet system.
- Magnet is designed and plans are at a manufacturer
- Prepare the infrastructure.
- Think about alternative design ideas.

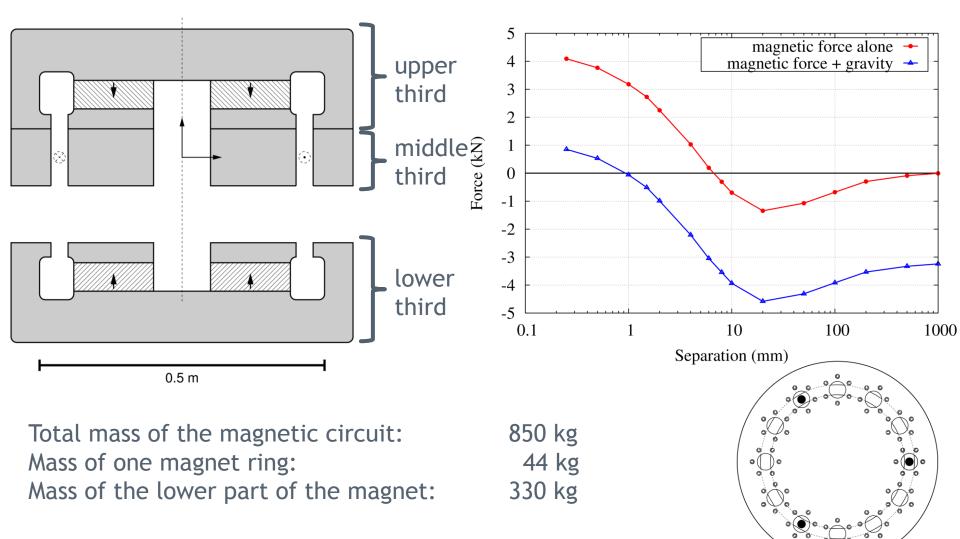


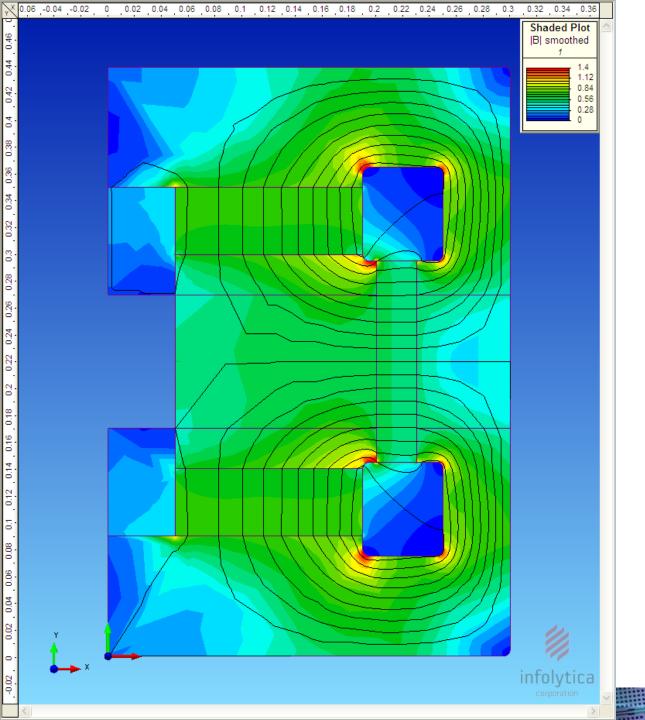
NIST-4 magnet



Access to the coil

To access the coil, the magnet separates:







FEA results

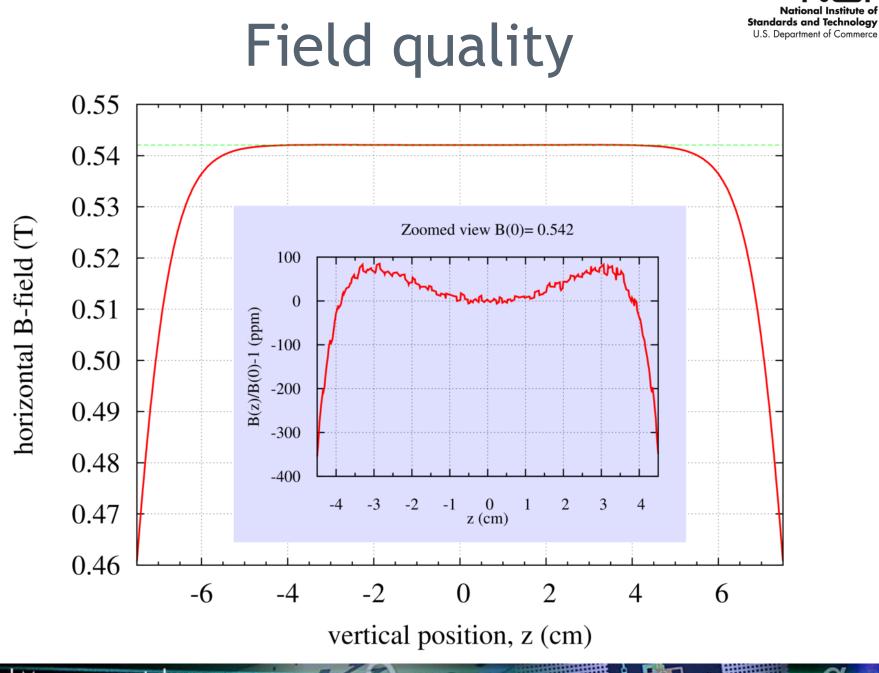
- calculated by MagNet
- Flux in Iron < 0.9 T
- Field in gap is 0.54 T
- coil radius is 21.5 cm

 $F = N2\pi rBI$

 $\frac{F}{I} = N0.732 \frac{N}{A}$

 $\frac{F}{I} = 500..1000 \frac{N}{A}$

N = 680..1370

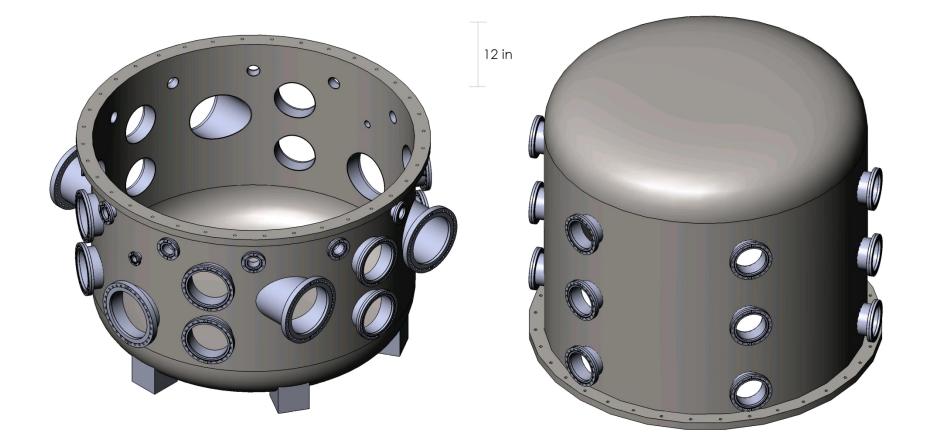


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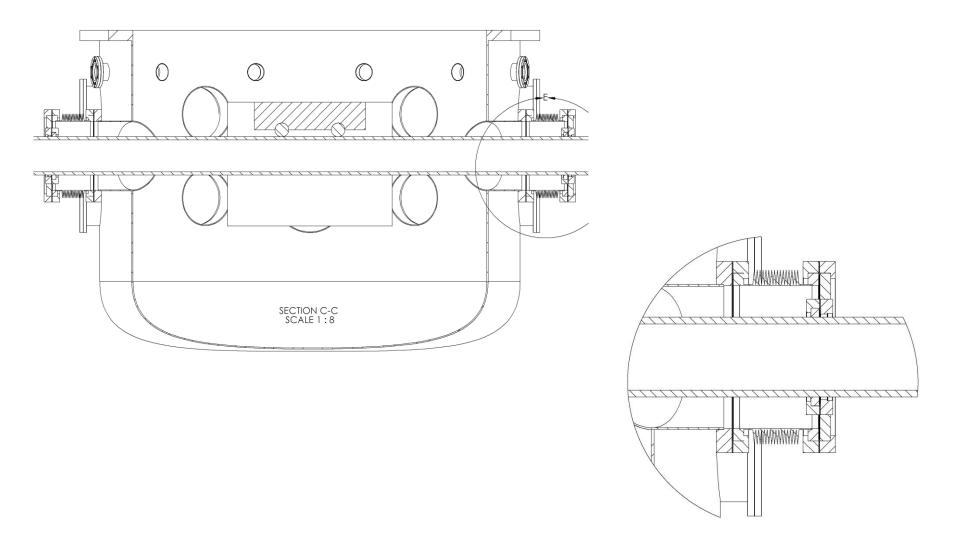
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Vacuum Vessel is designed



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Magnet in vacuum vessel



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NIST-4 next steps

- Prepare infrastructure (crane, clean power, vacuum pumps).
- Building a device to verify the magnet.

- Work on an alternative mechanical design.
- Design load lock for the masses.

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Thank you for your attention!



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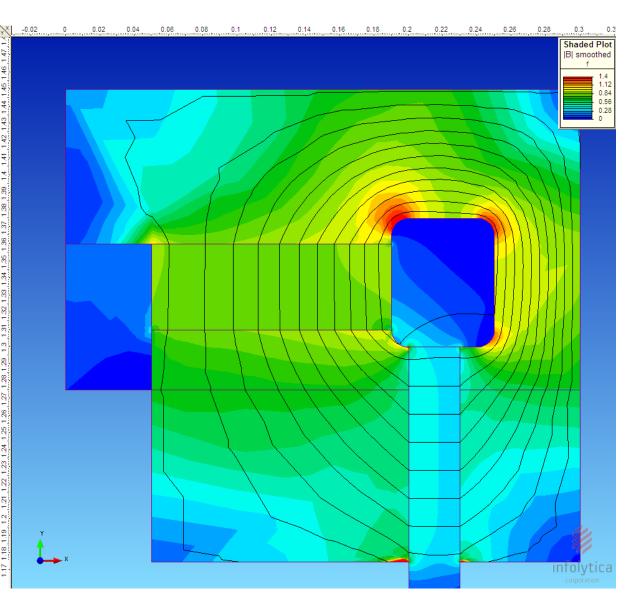
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Summary

- Current definition of the kilogram.
- Shortcomings of the definition.
- Quantum electrical metrology.
- Principle of the Watt balance (velocity mode, weighing mode).
- Account of the past, present and future of the electronic kilogram
- Introduction to the NIST-4 Watt balance



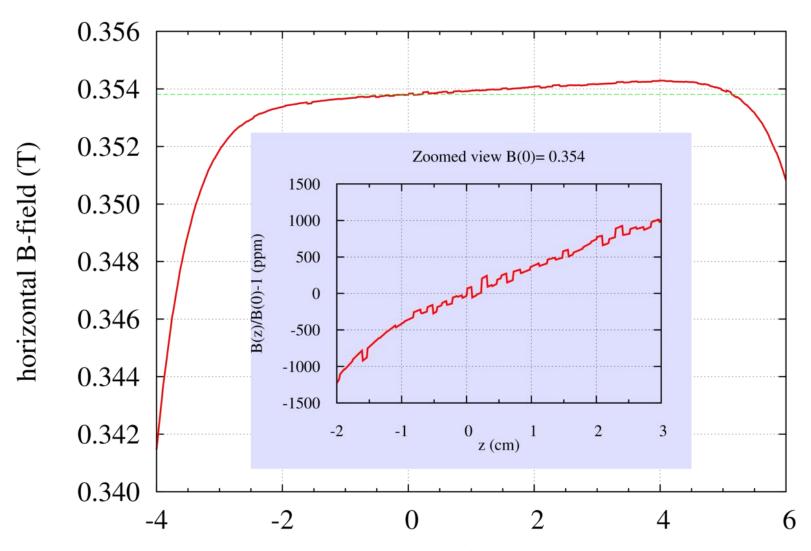
FEA results

- Top 2/3 of the magnet.
 The lower 1/3 is a meter below.
- At the beginning we can use the top 2/3 of the magnet to tweak our system. We should be able to make a complete Watt balance experiment with that, until we have settled for an induction coil.
- The field is not as uniform.

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• Shielding is not perfect.

Field quality of the upper 2/3



vertical position, z (cm)

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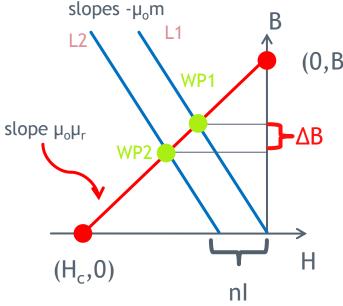
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External Demagnetizing field on PM

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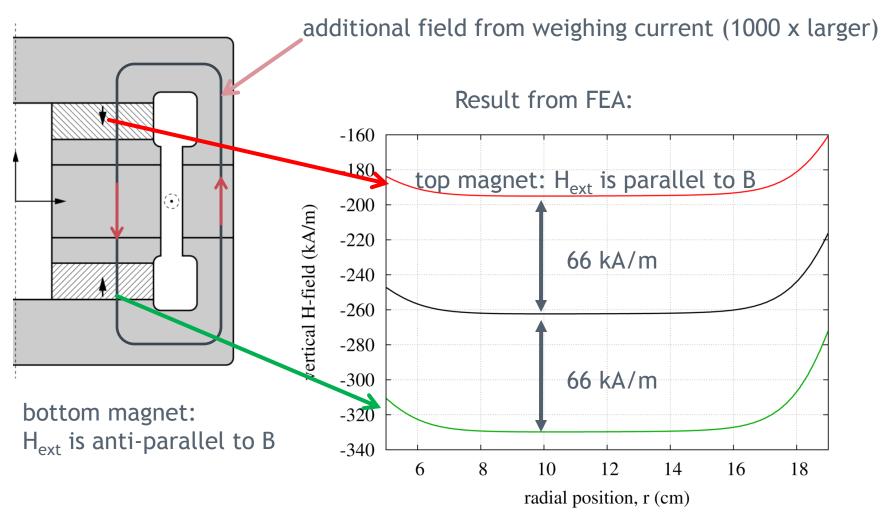
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recoil curve: $B(H) = B_r + \mu_0 \mu_r H$ load curve 1: $B(H) = -\mu_0 m H$ (0,Br) load curve 2: $B(H) = -\mu_0 mH - \mu_0 mnI$ working point 1: $H_{wp1} = \frac{-B_r}{\mu(\mu + m)}$ $B_{wp1} = \frac{m}{\mu_r + m} B_r$ working point 2: $H_{wp2} = \frac{-B_r}{\mu_o(\mu_r + m)} - \frac{mnI}{(\mu_r + m)}$ $B_{wp2} = \frac{mB_r - m\mu_o\mu_r nI}{\mu_r + m}$ $\Delta B = \frac{m\mu_o\mu_r nI}{\mu_r + m}$ change in B: 1.2 $n\mu_0\mu_r$ /(μ_r +m) ($\mu Tm/A$) 1.0 0.8 smaller m 0.6 is better 0.4 0.2

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Additional H-field at the Magnet

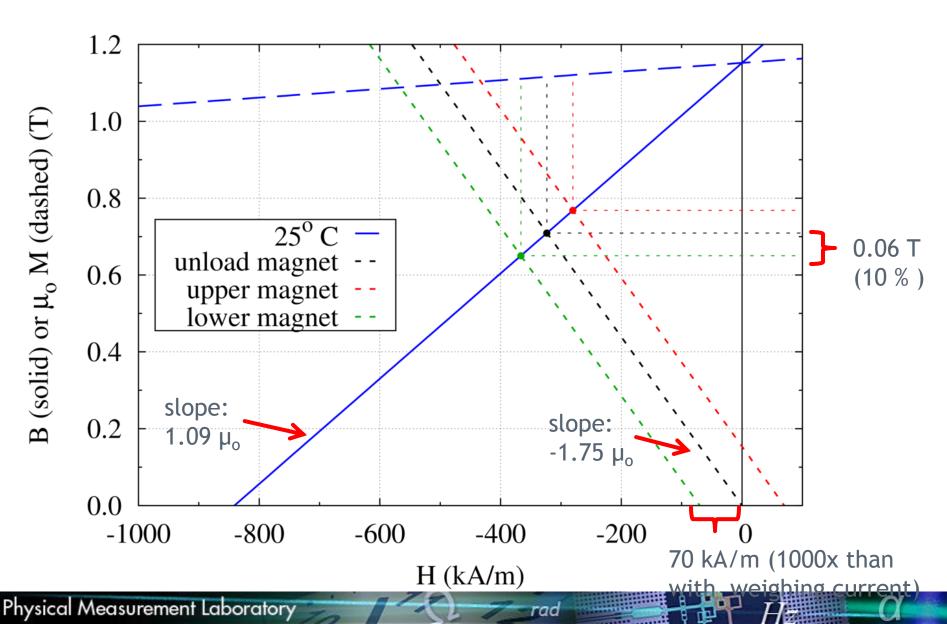


Since there are two magnets, the effect cancels.

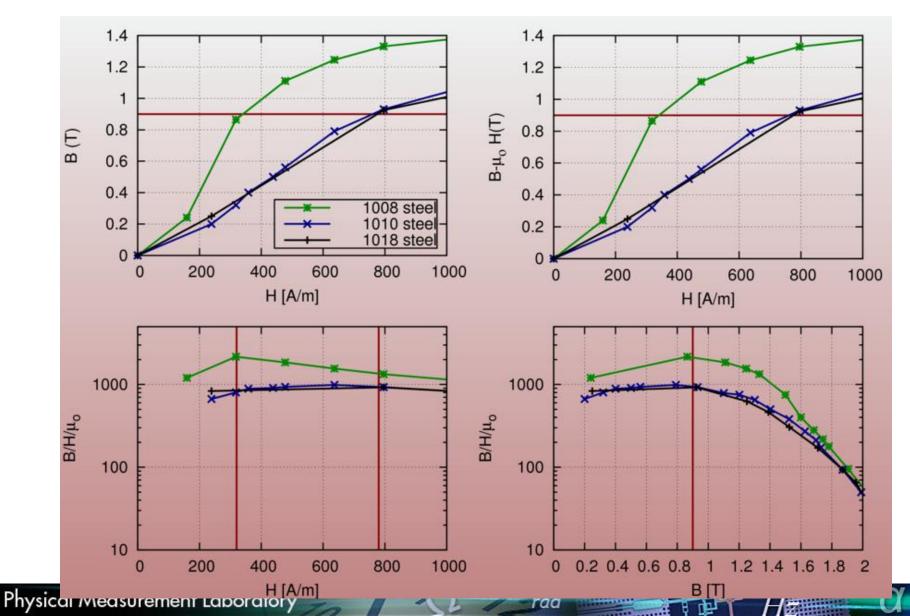
One magnet gets stronger, the other weaker by the same amount!

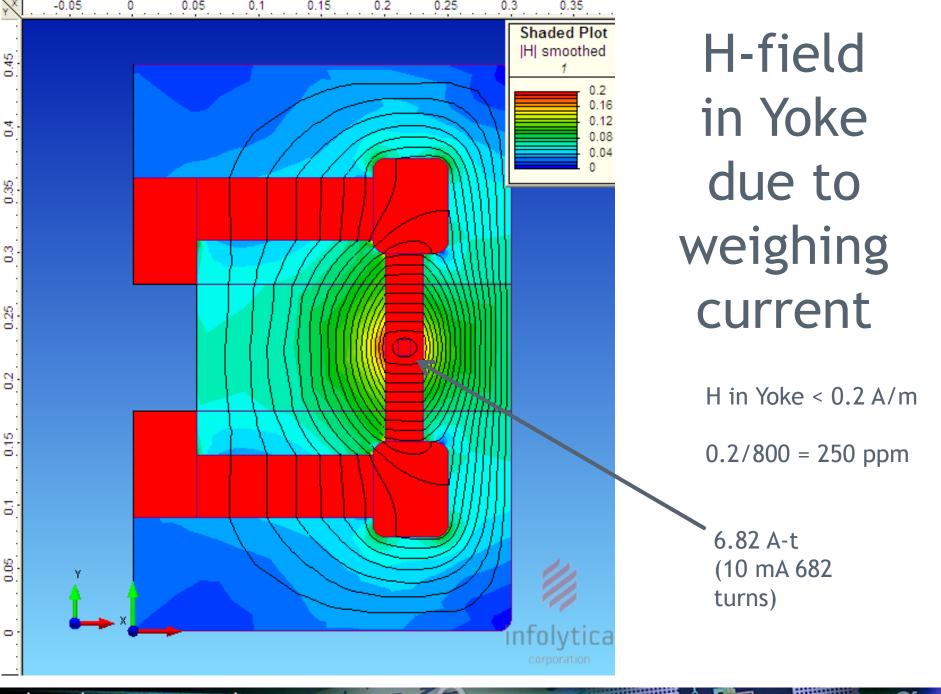
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Semi Analytic result

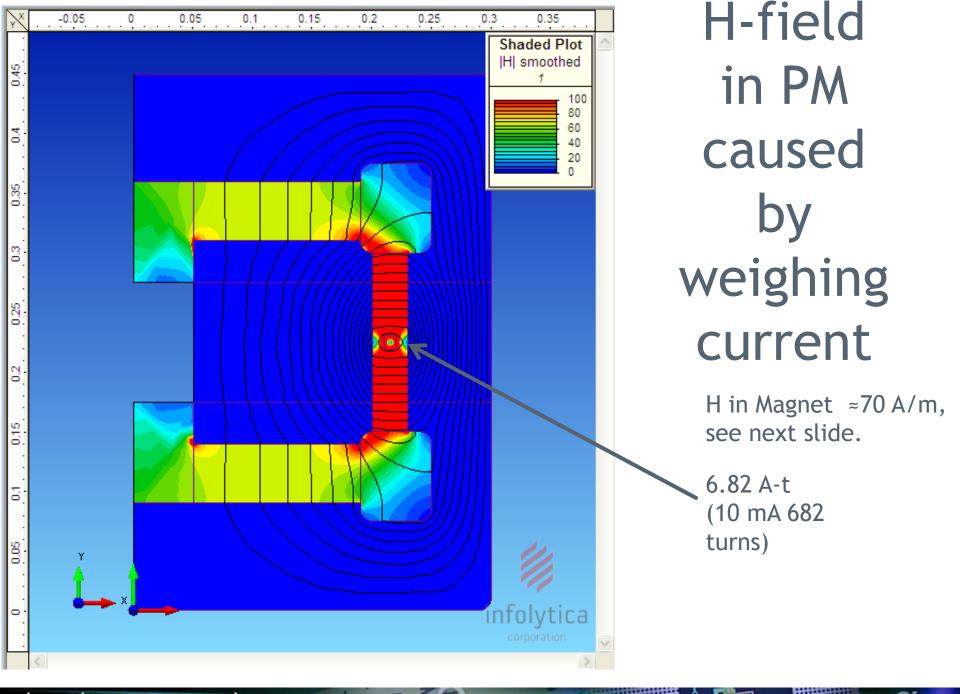


Yoke Material at working point

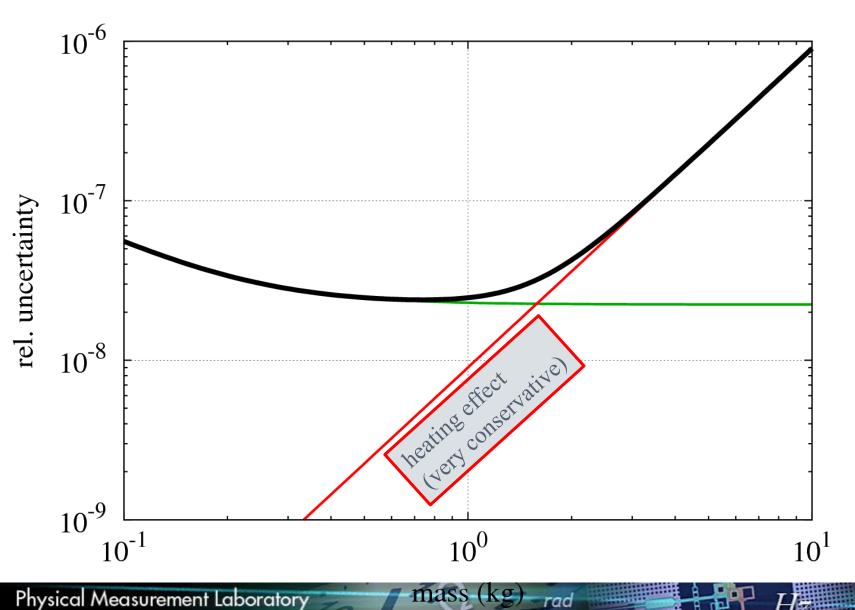




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Uncertainty as a function of mass



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The Watt balance master equation

$$\frac{h}{h_{90}} = \frac{W_{90}}{W} = \frac{\{mgv\}_{SI}}{\{UI\}_{90}}$$

with

$$h_{90} = \frac{4}{K_{J-90}^2 R_{K-90}} = 6.62606885436 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js}$$

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