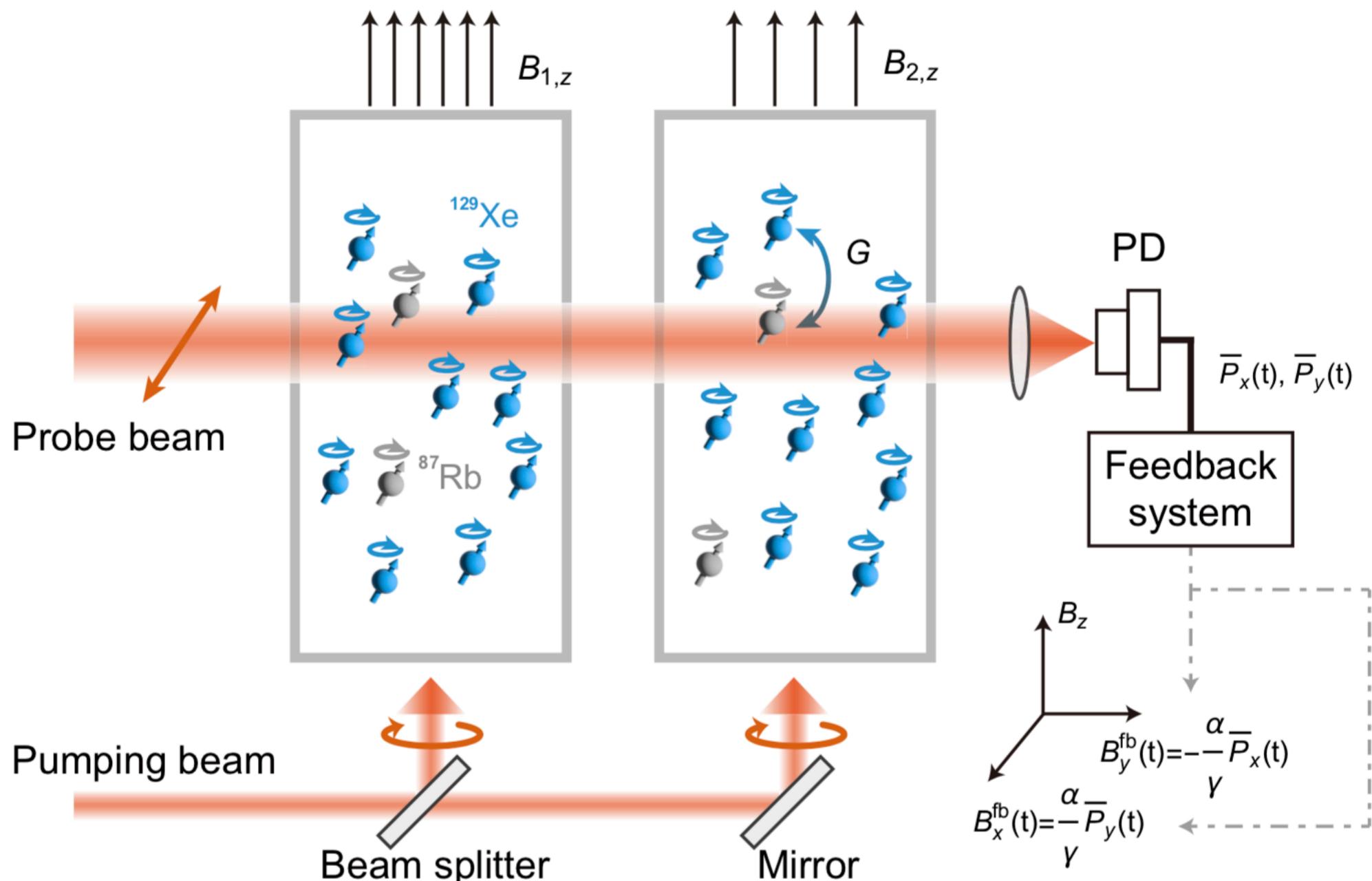


# Atomic Magnetometers: Nonlinear Dynamics & Applications

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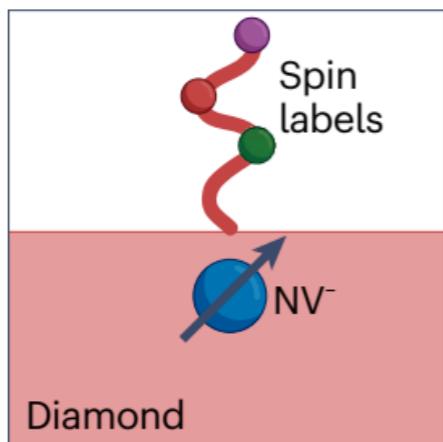


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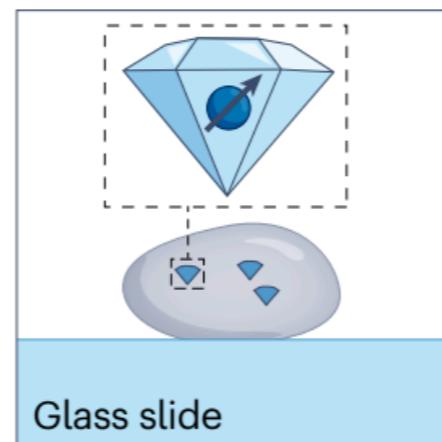


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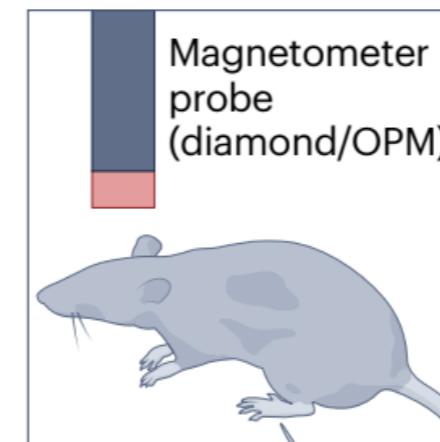
## Molecular structure determination



## Thermal measurements with nanodiamonds

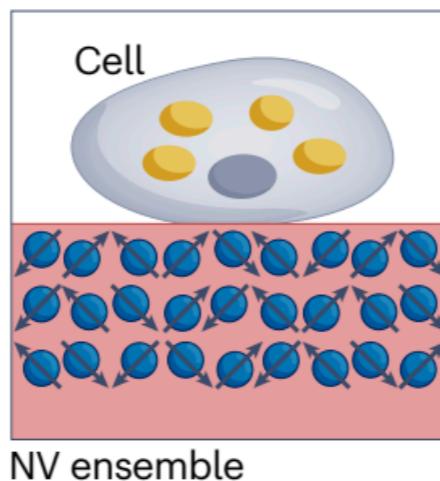


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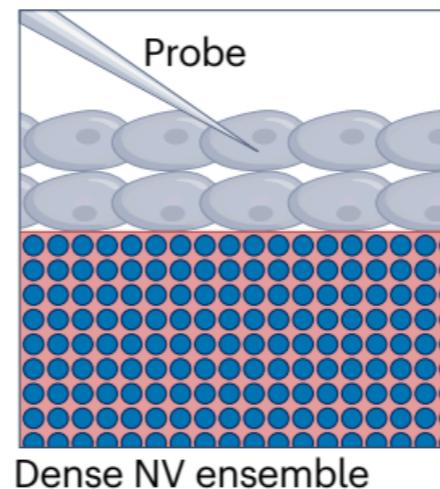


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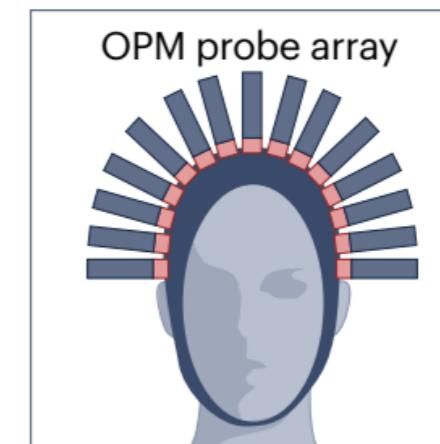
## Subcellular organelle metabolic studies



## Electrical activity studies in cellular cultures



## Clinical diagnostics in humans

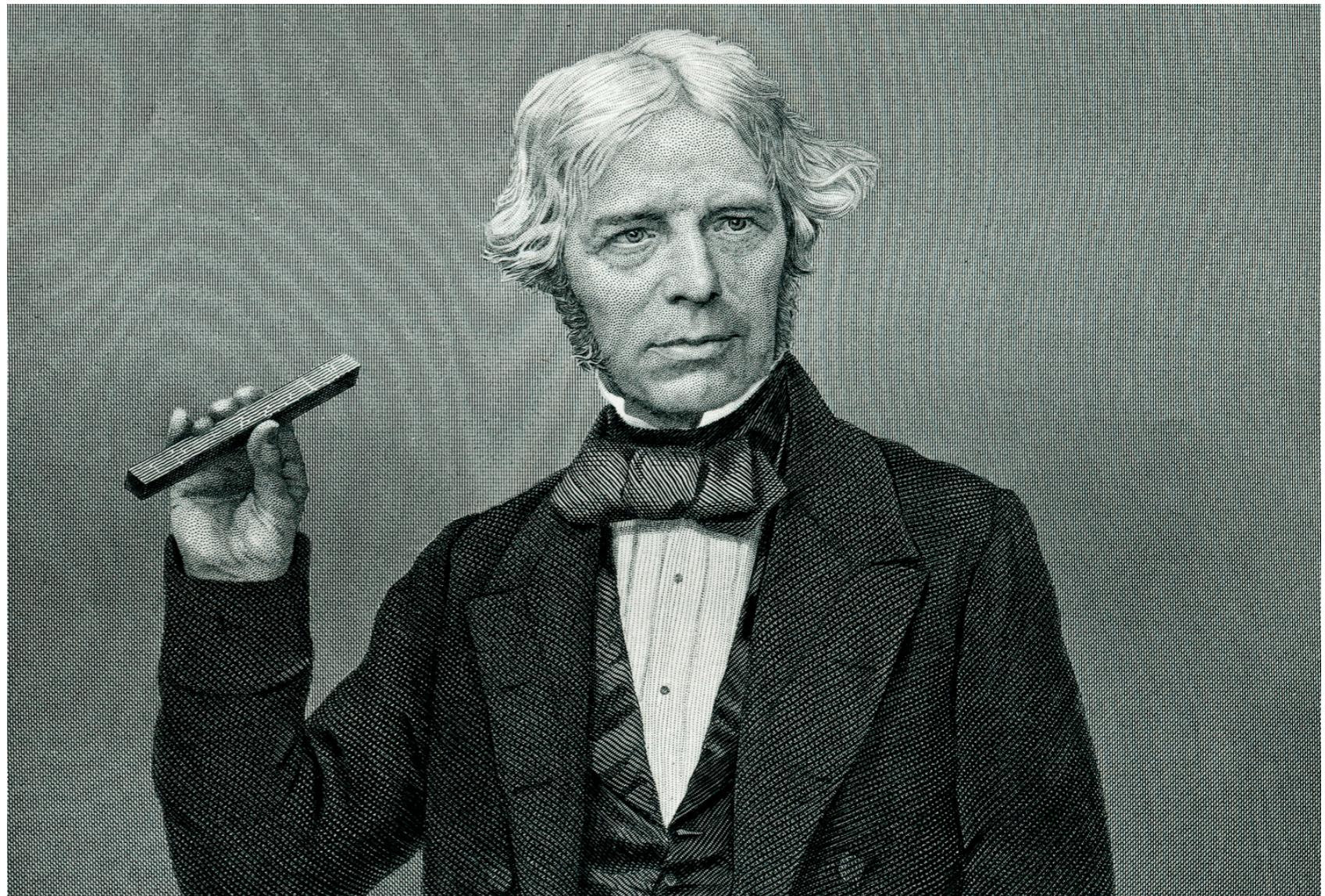
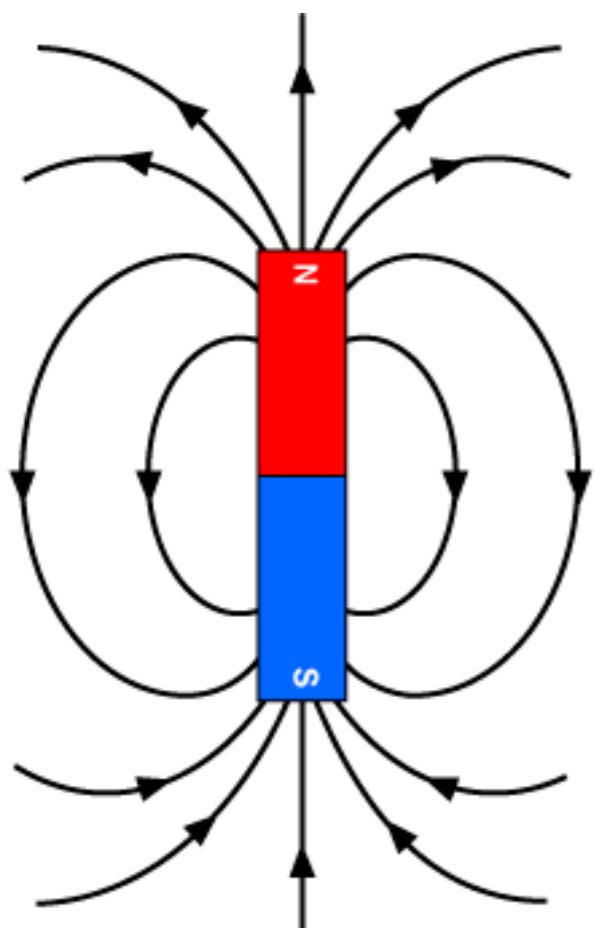


Molecular scale

Cellular scale

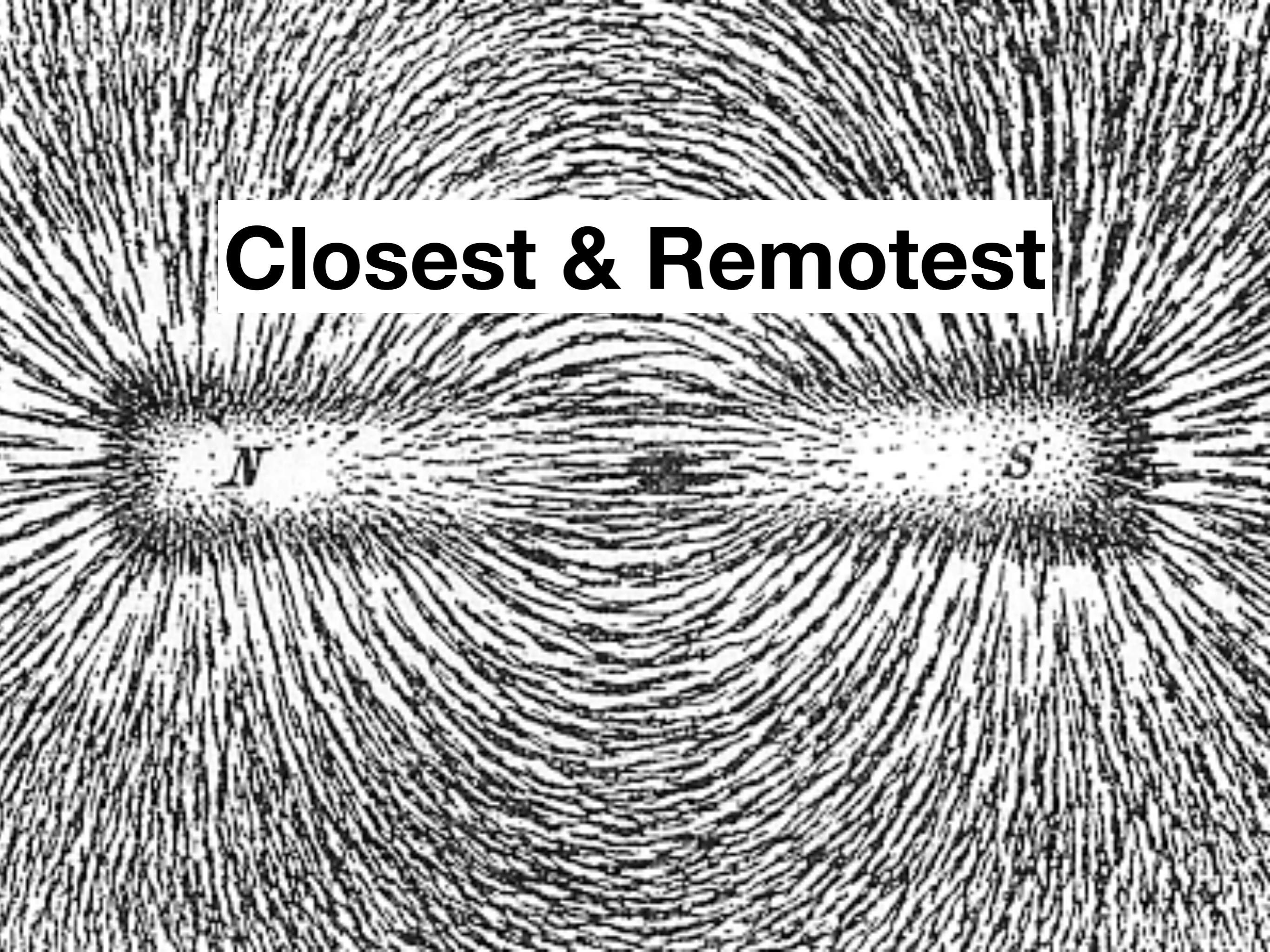
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# Concept of Fields



*On New Magnetic Actions in 1846*

Michael Faraday

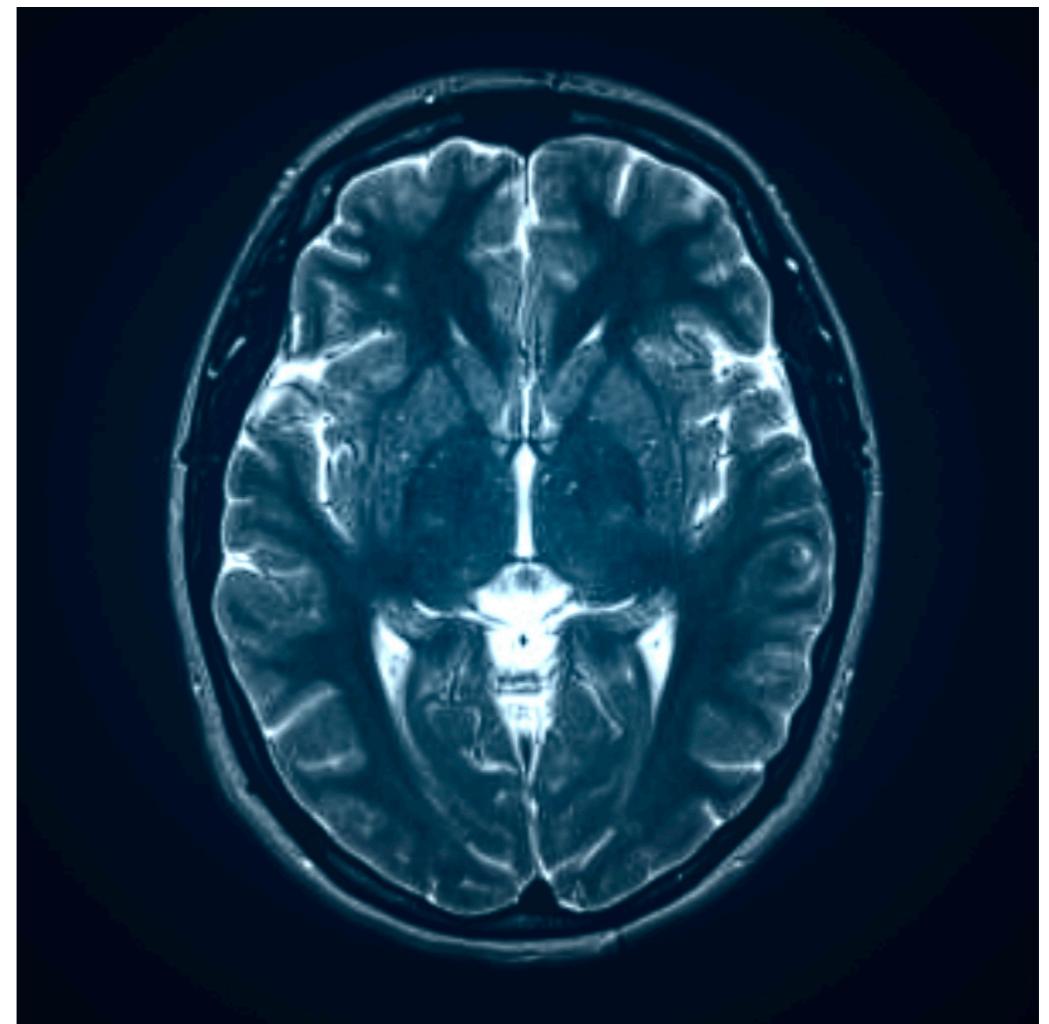


# **Closest & Remotest**

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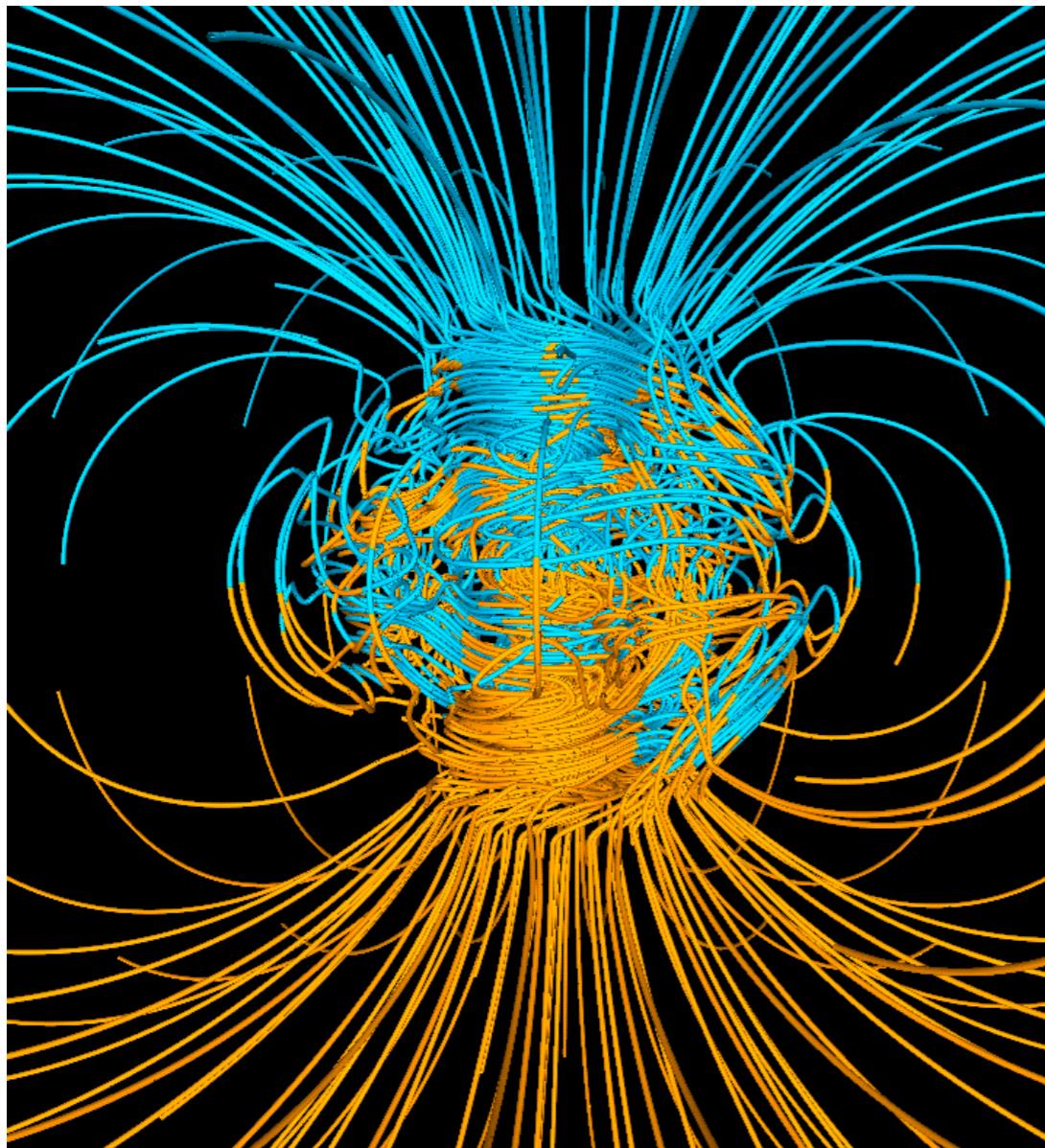
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# Measurement of Magnetic Fields

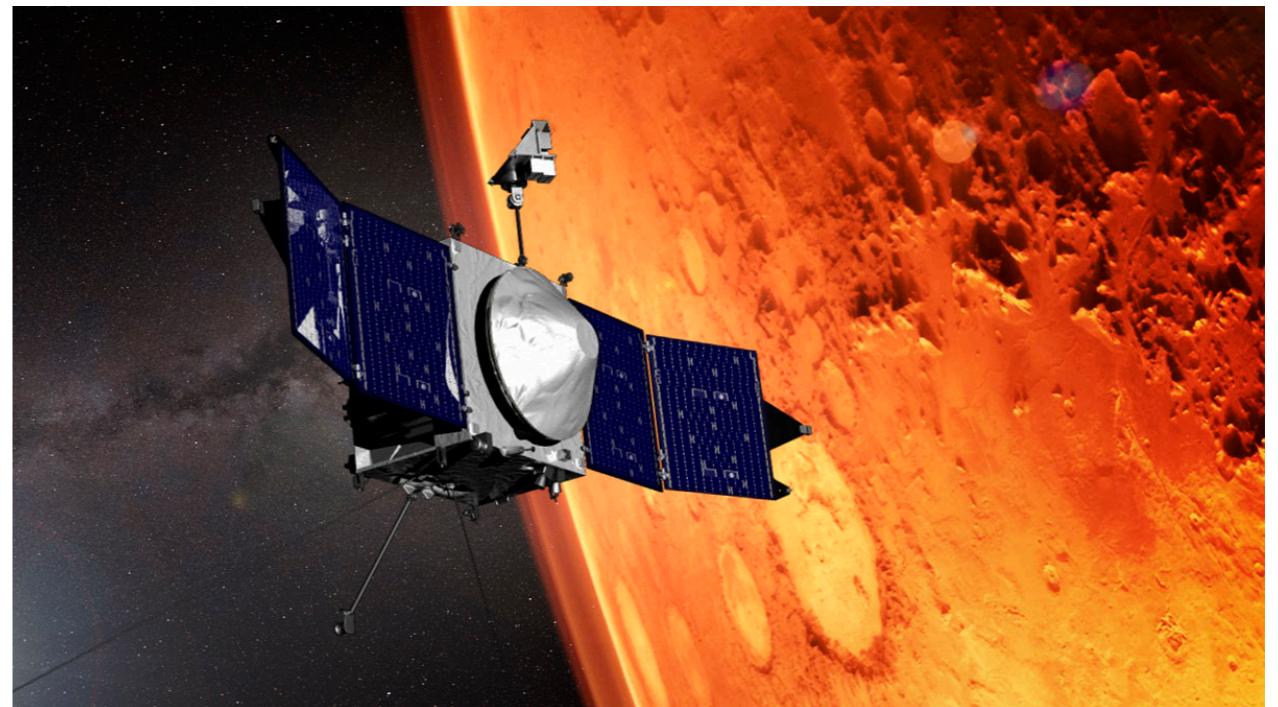


Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

# Measurement of Magnetic Fields



**Earth Magnetic Field**

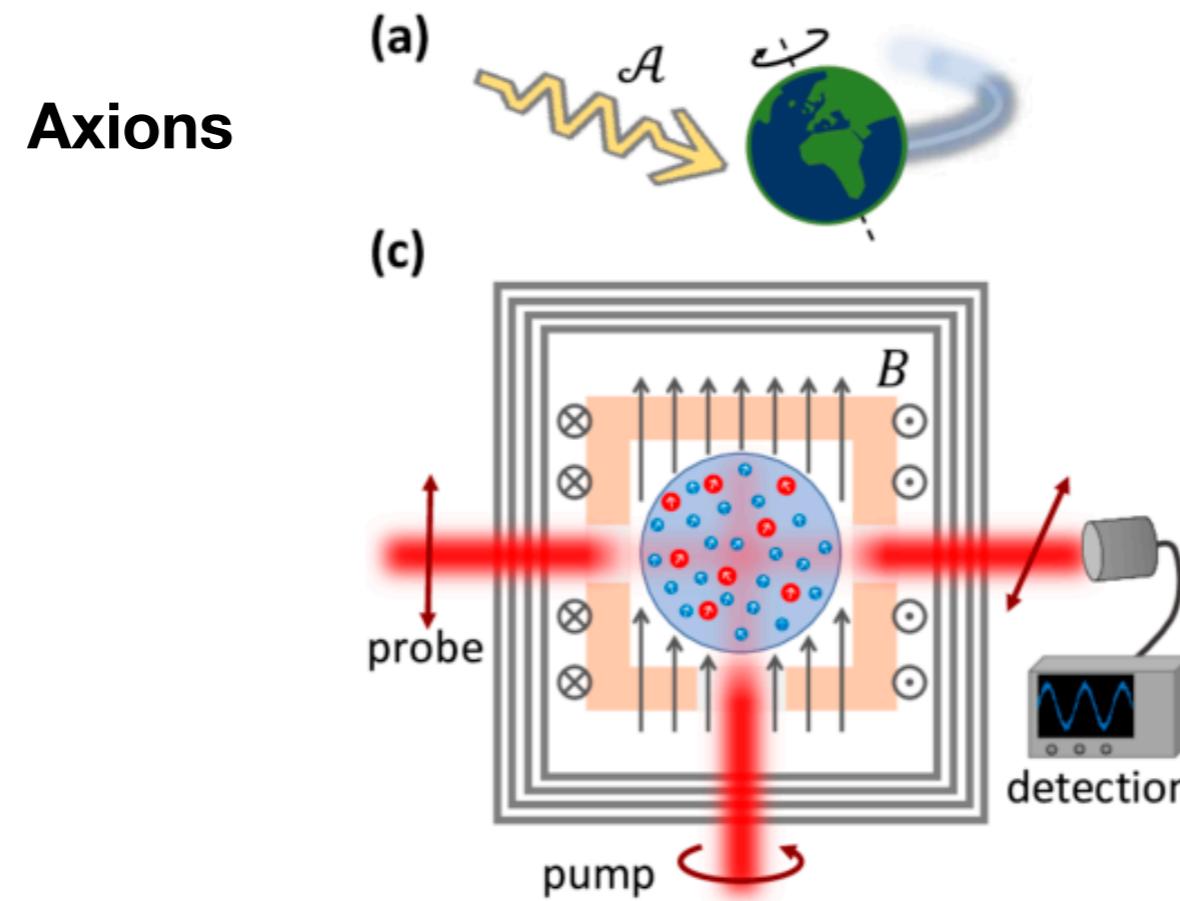


## Mars Maven Mission

### Mission Facts

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <b>Mission Status</b>       | Currently Operating                       |
| <b>Mars Orbit Insertion</b> | September 21, 2014                        |
| <b>Launched</b>             | November 18, 2013                         |
| <b>Launch Site</b>          | Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Florida |

# Measurement of Magnetic Fields



$$H_{\text{spin}} = H_{\text{mag}} + H_{\text{BSM}} = -\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B}_{ex} - \vec{\mu} \cdot \overline{\beta}$$

$\overline{\beta}$

Physics beyond the Standard Model

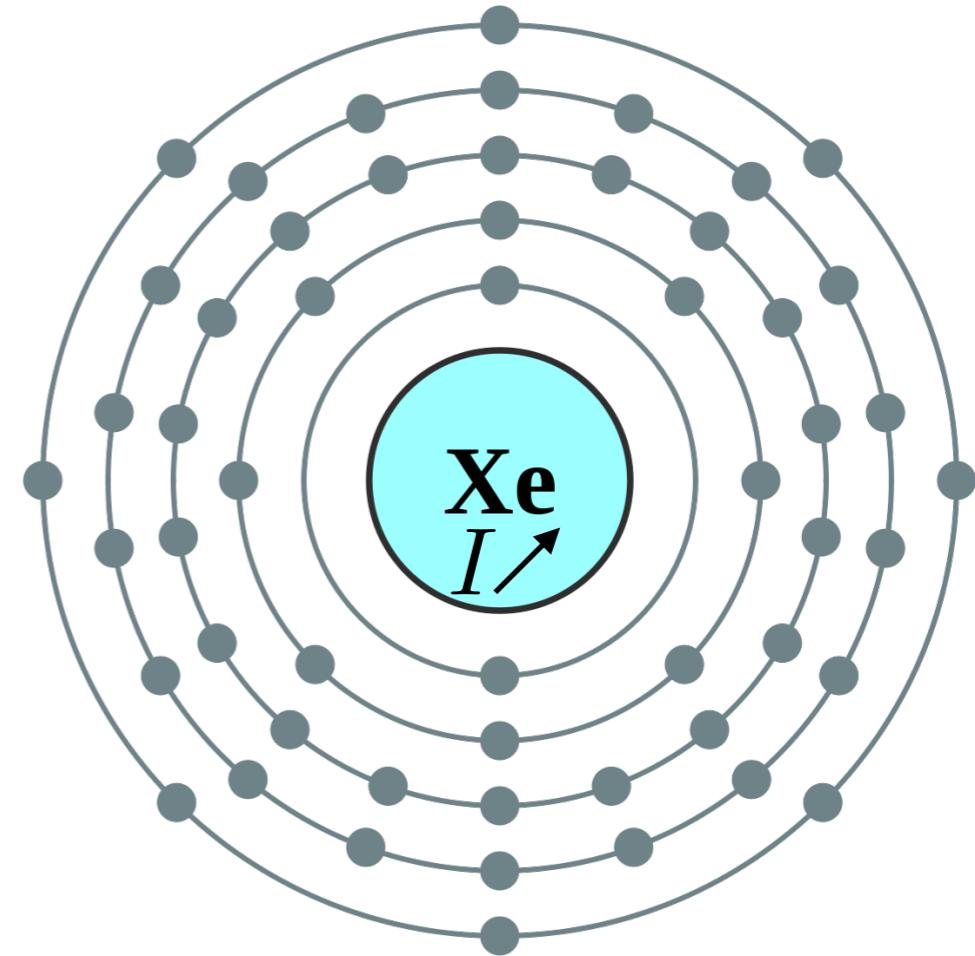
# Noble Atom Based Magnetometers



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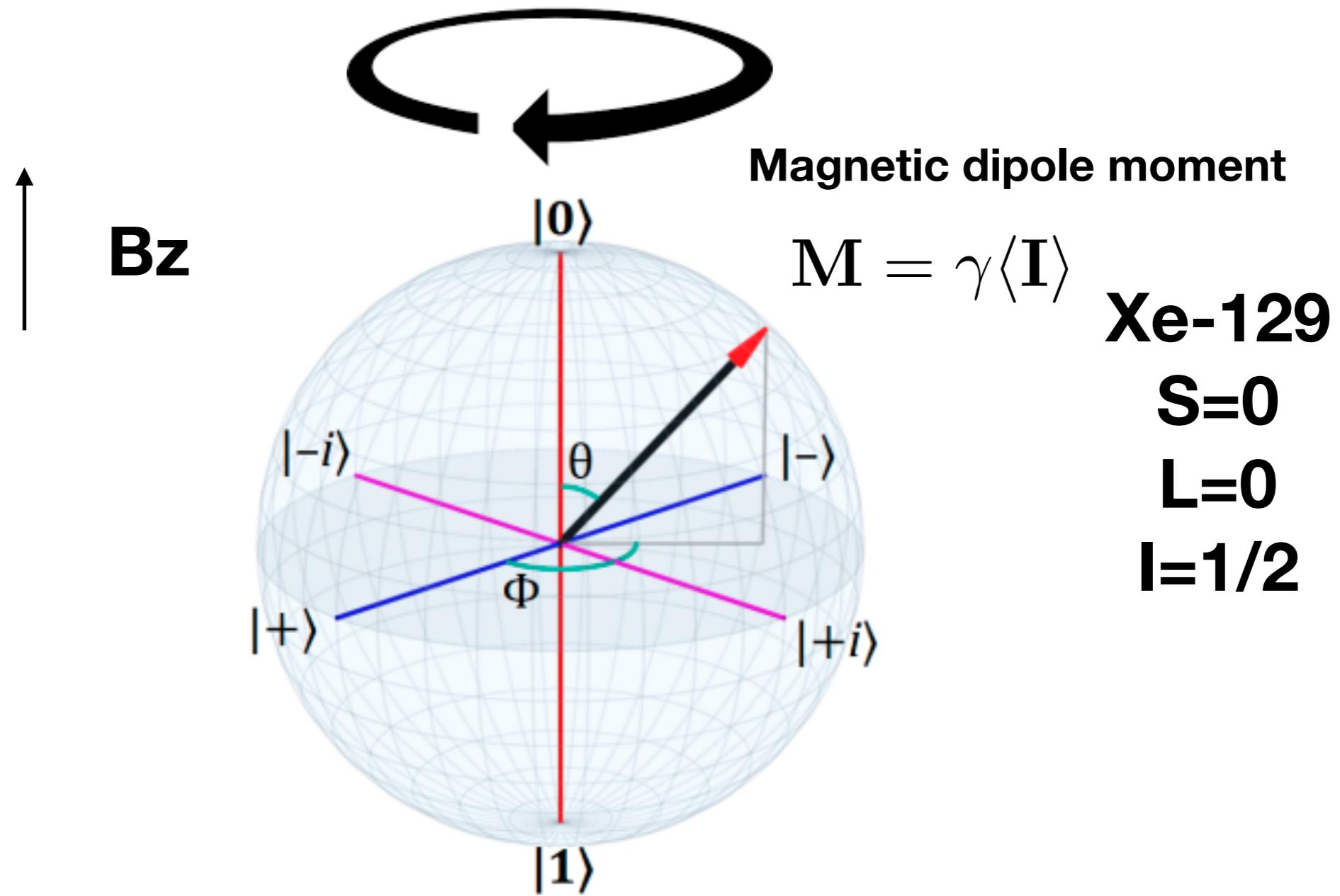


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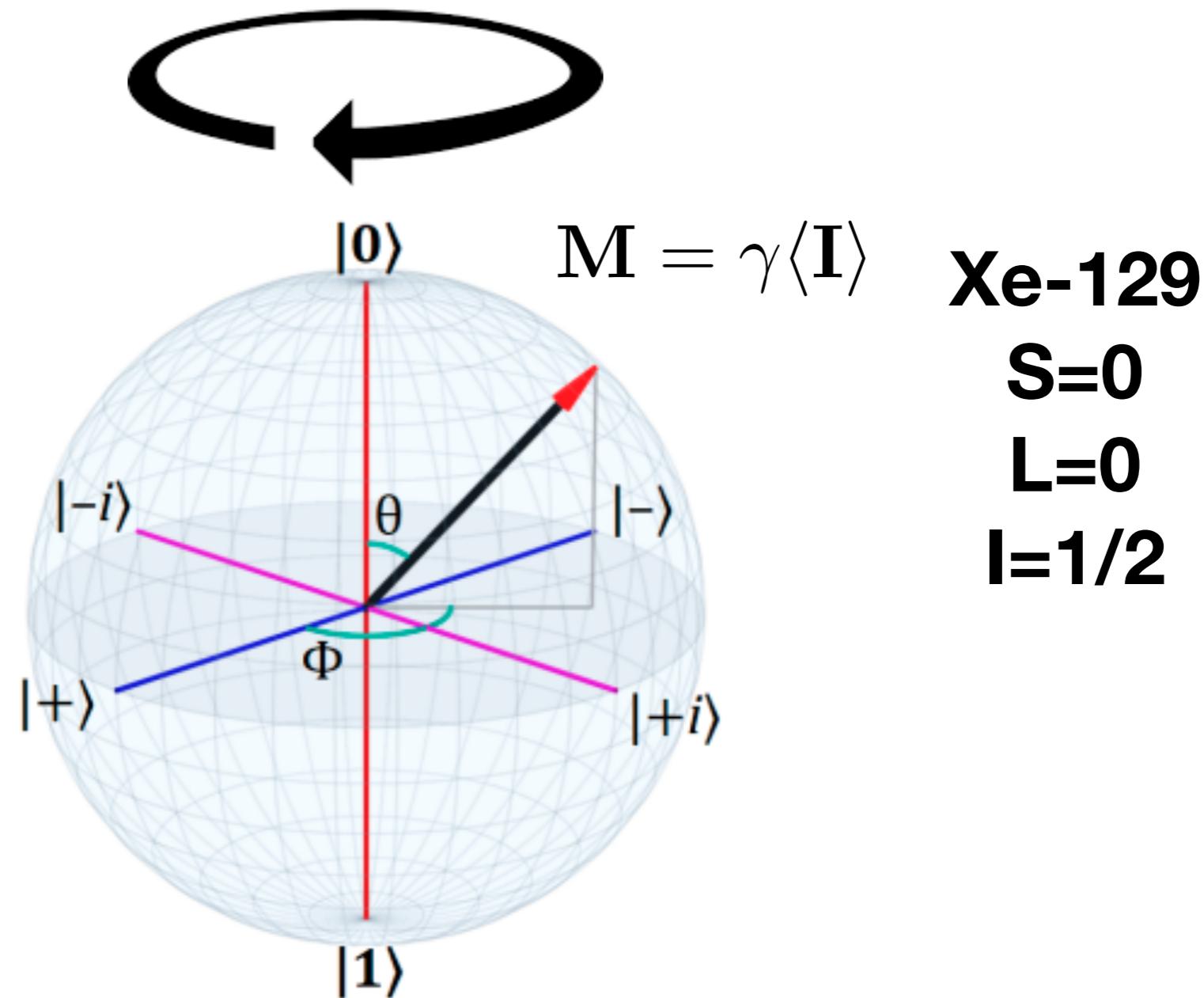
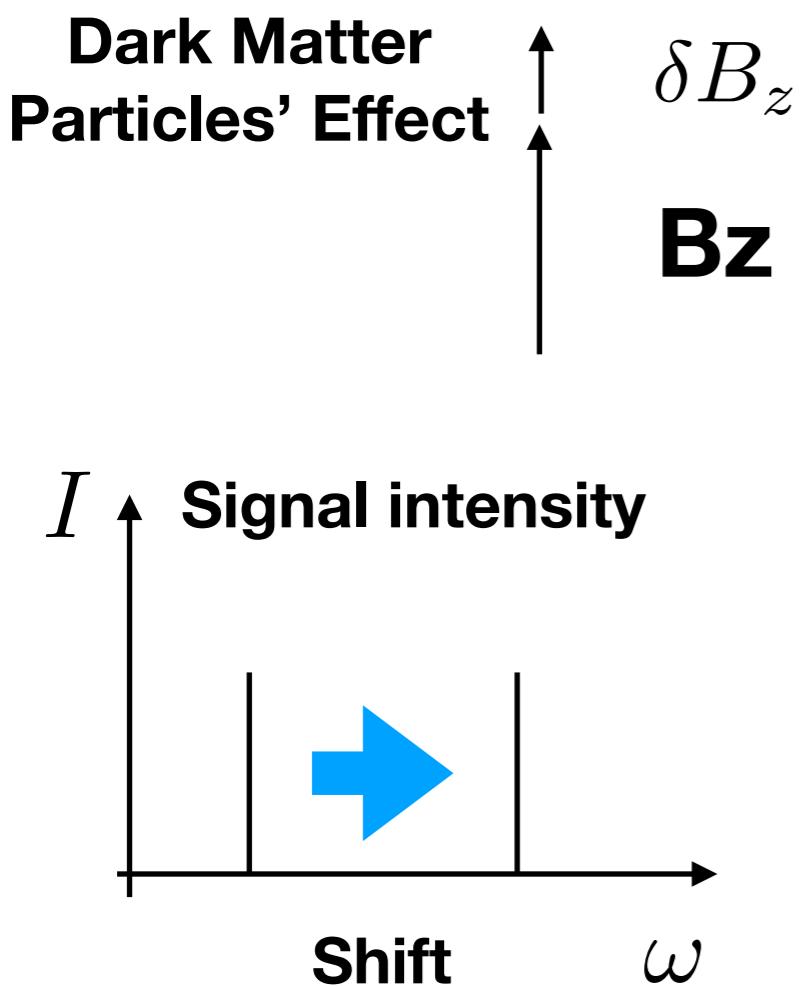
Long nuclear spin coherence time

# Noble Atom Based Magnetometers



Larmor Precession  $\omega_L = \gamma B_z$

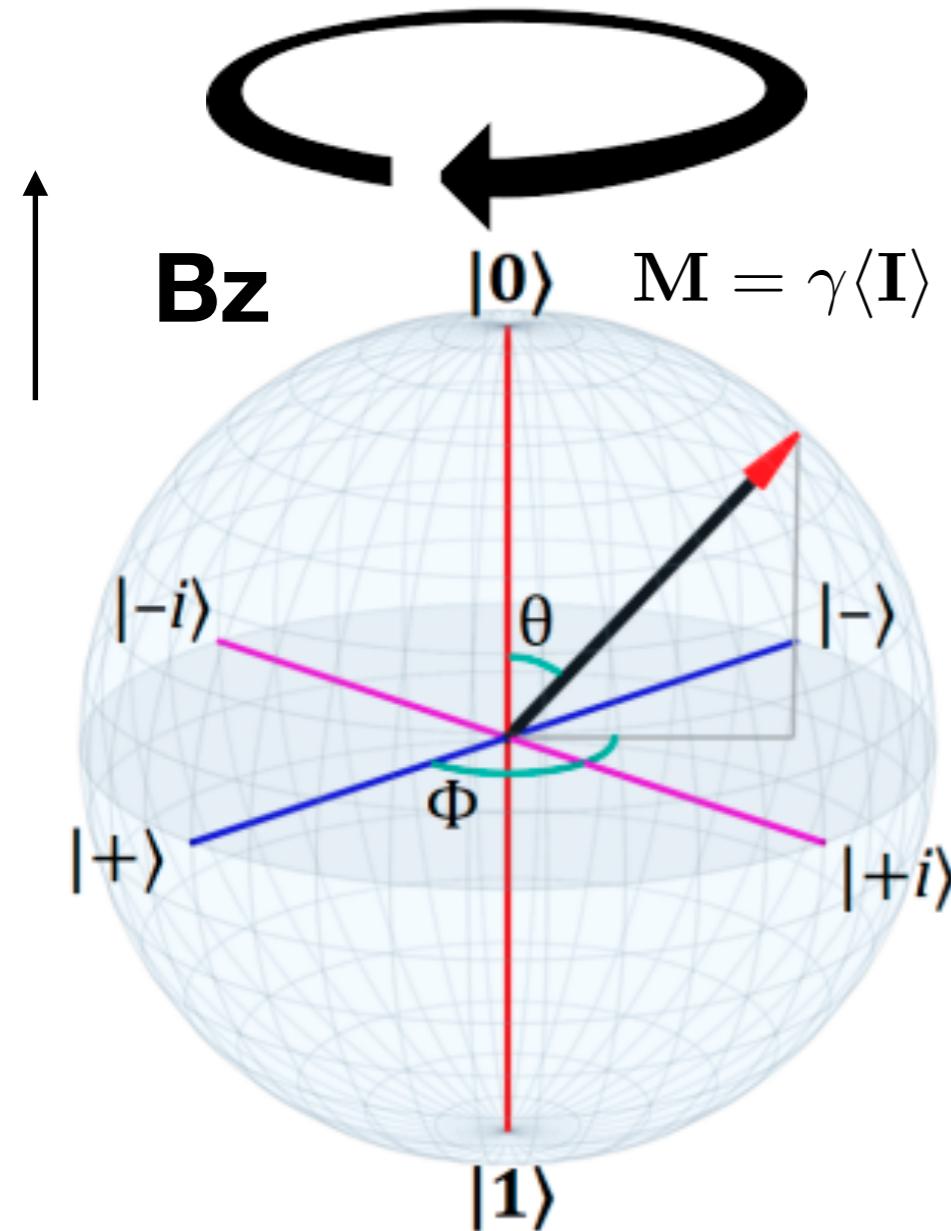
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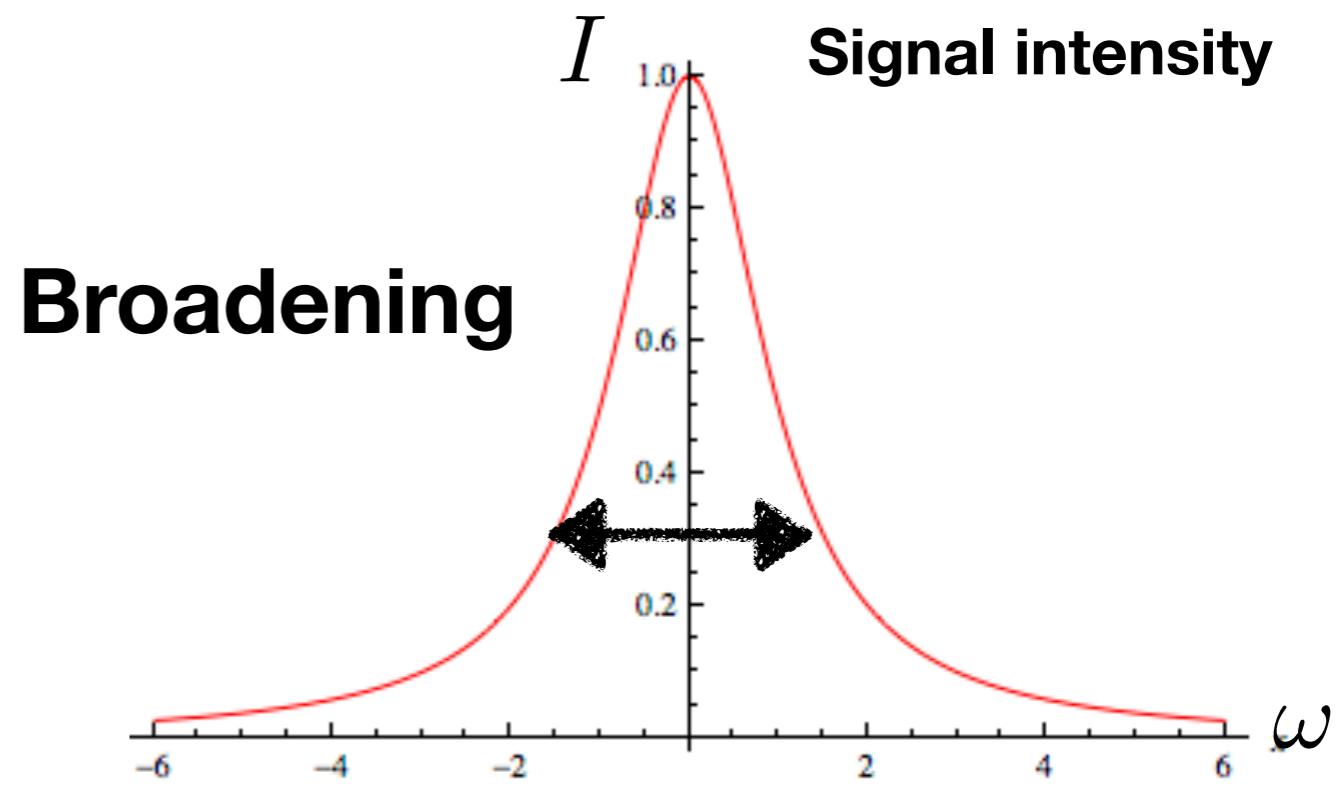
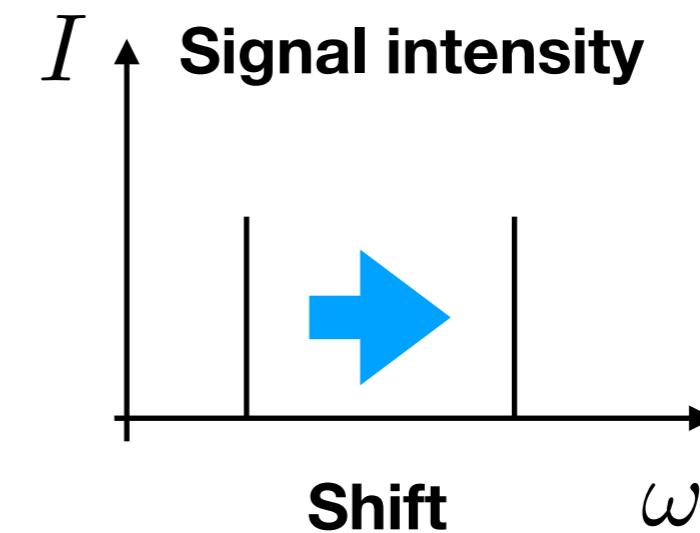
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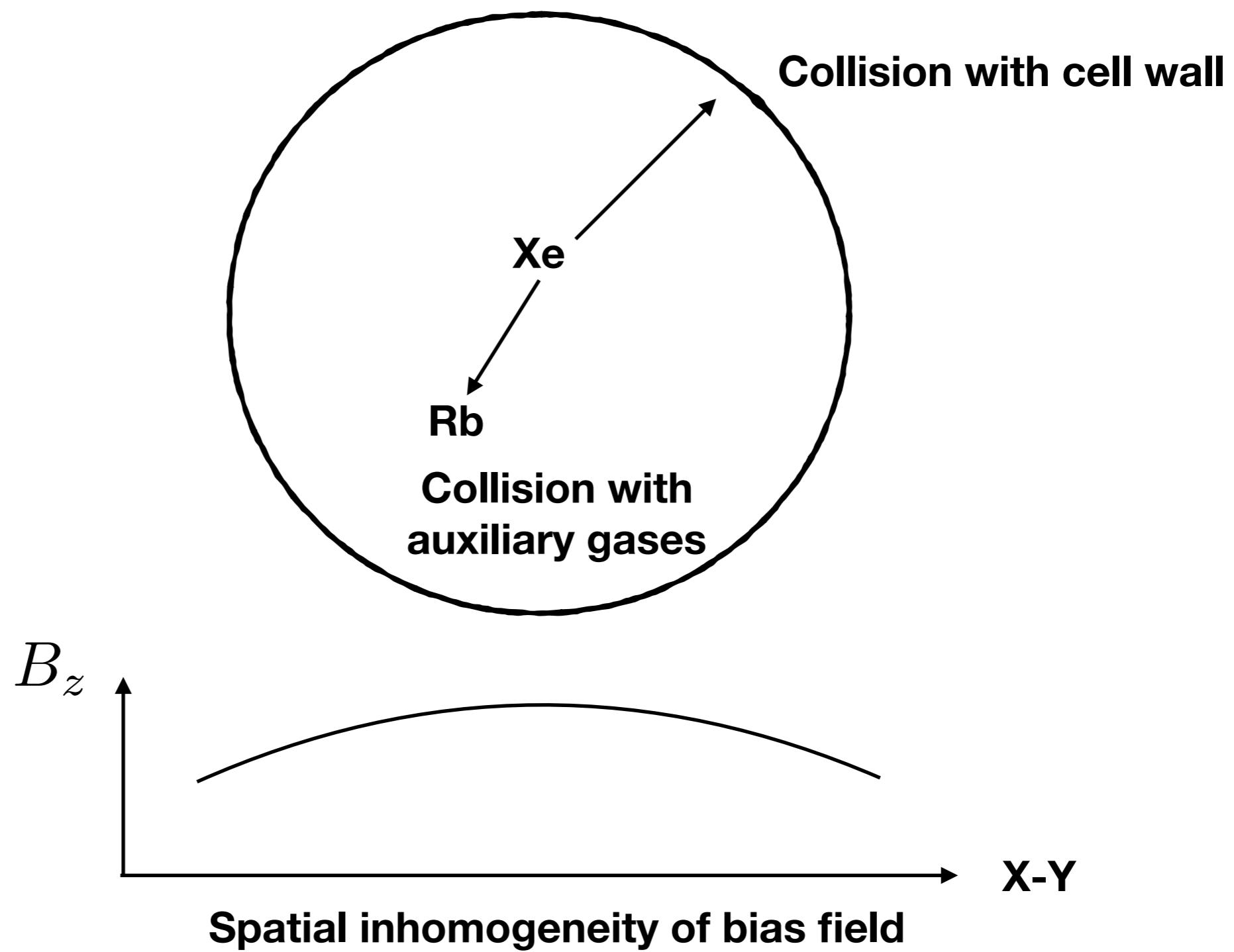
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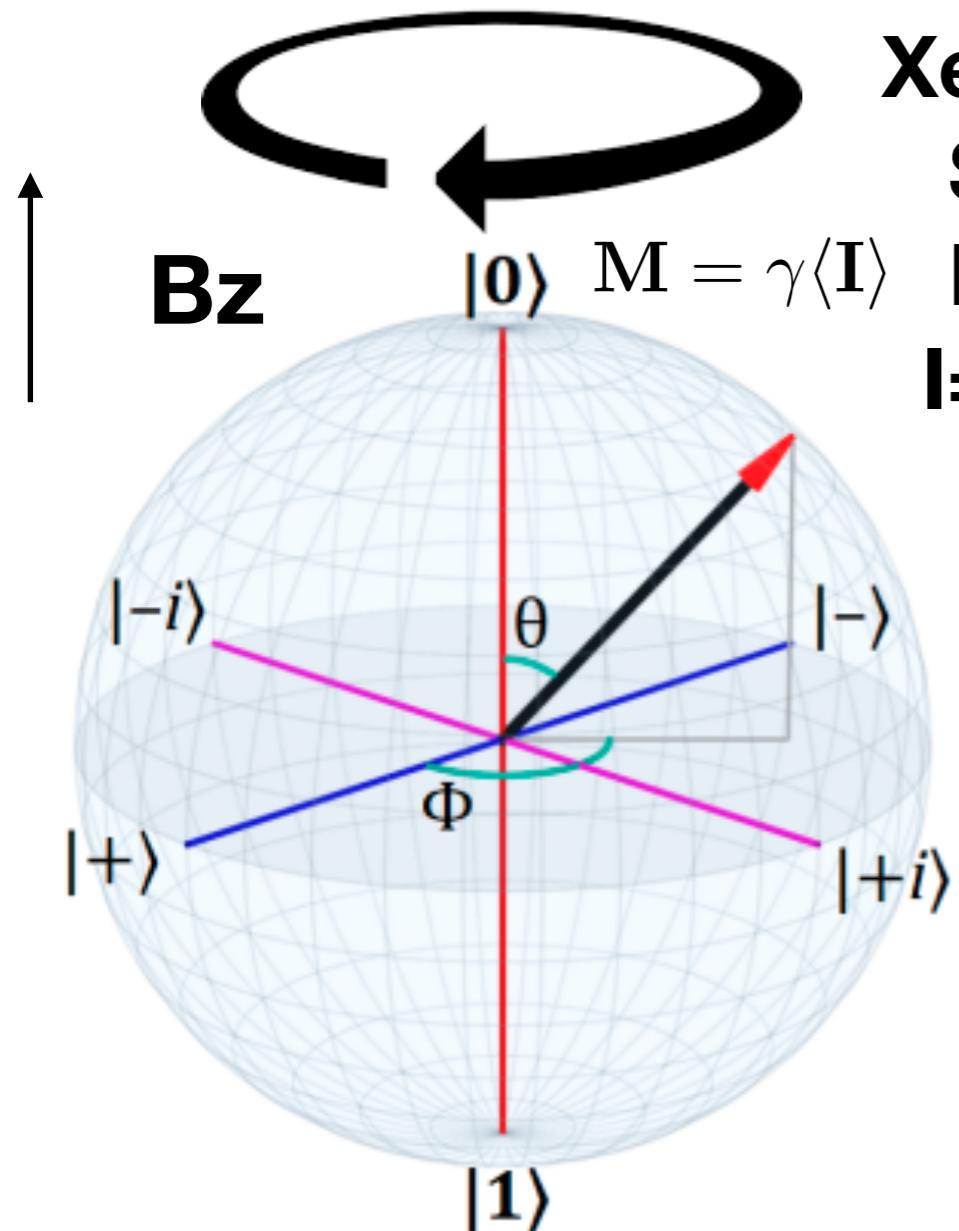
Xe-129  
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# Where comes dissipation?



# Obstacle to Precision Measurement: Dissipation



Xe-129

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$$\frac{d\mathbf{M}}{dt} = \gamma \mathbf{M} \times \mathbf{B}_0 + \begin{bmatrix} -M_x/T_2 \\ -M_y/T_2 \\ -(M_z - M_0)/T_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

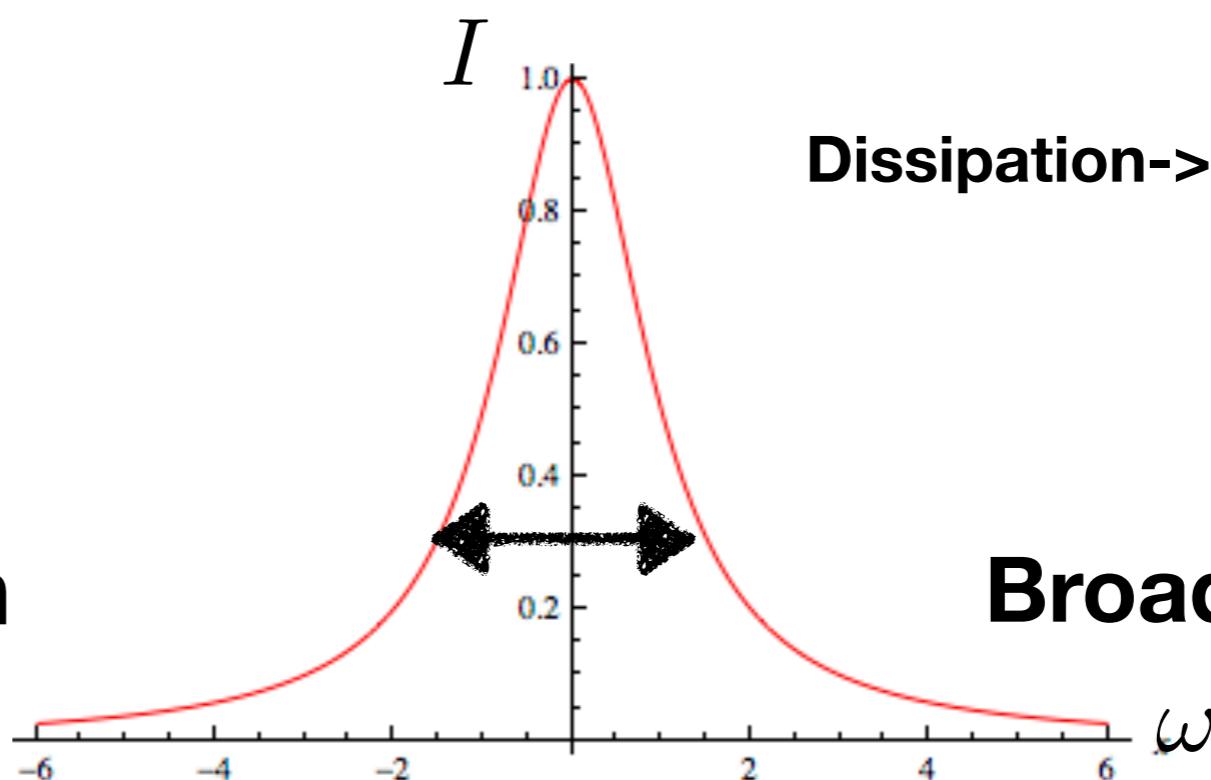
Magnetic dipole moment  $\mathbf{M}$

Pumping

Dissipation  $\rightarrow T_1, T_2$

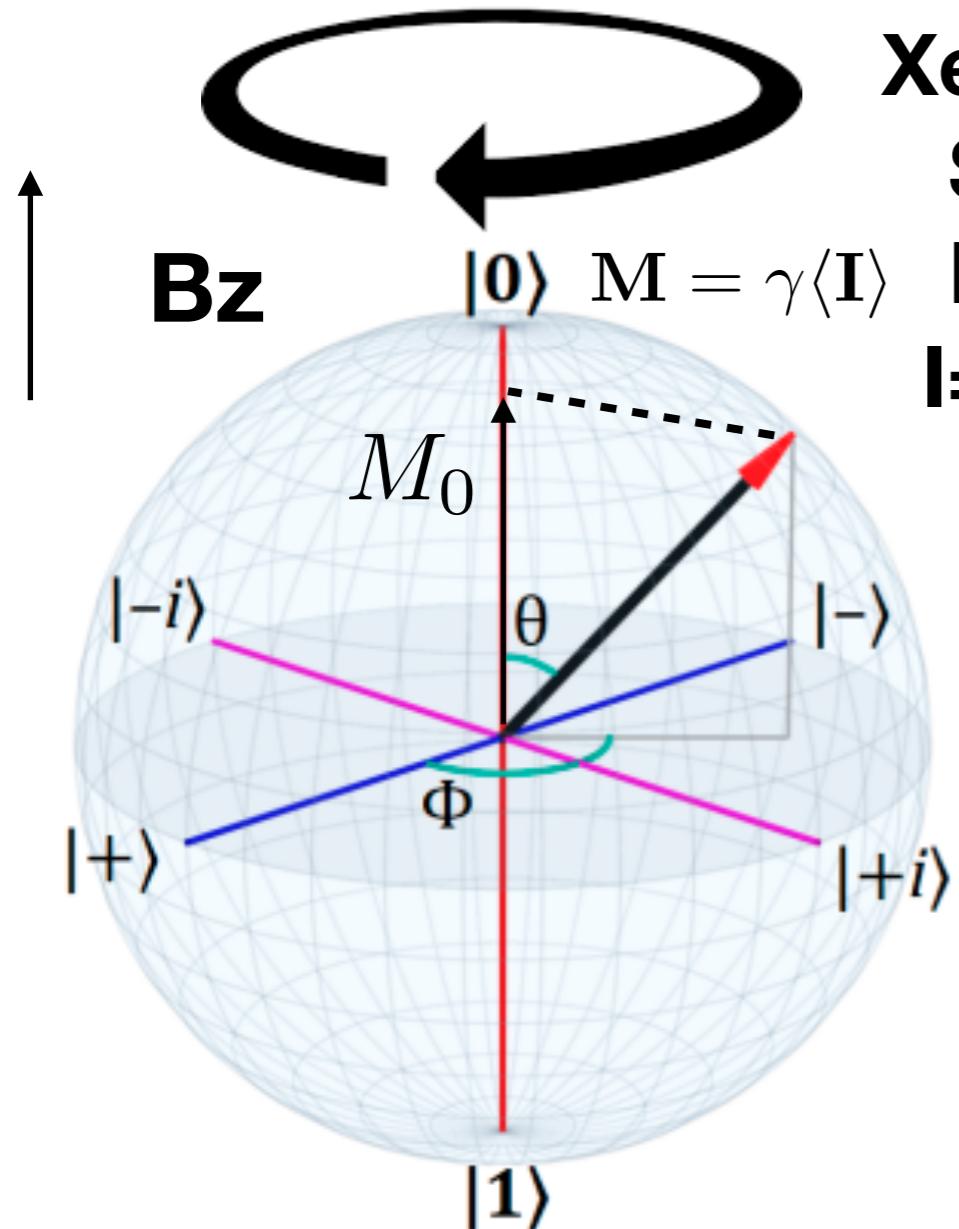
**Larmor Precession**

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**Broadening**

# Obstacle to Precision Measurement: Dissipation



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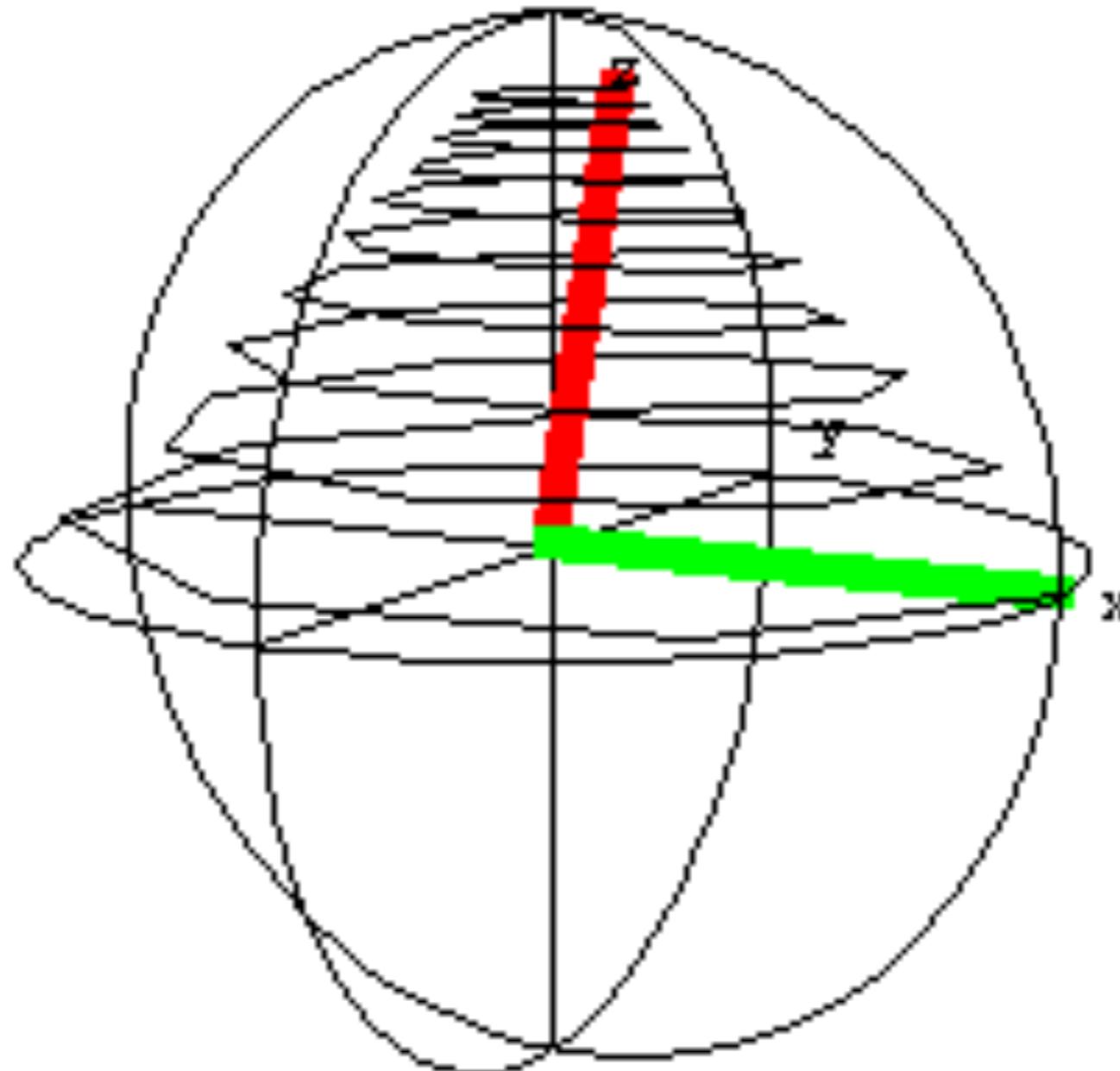
Pumping

**Long time steady state:**

$$M_x = M_y = 0, M_z = M_0$$

**Larmor Precession**

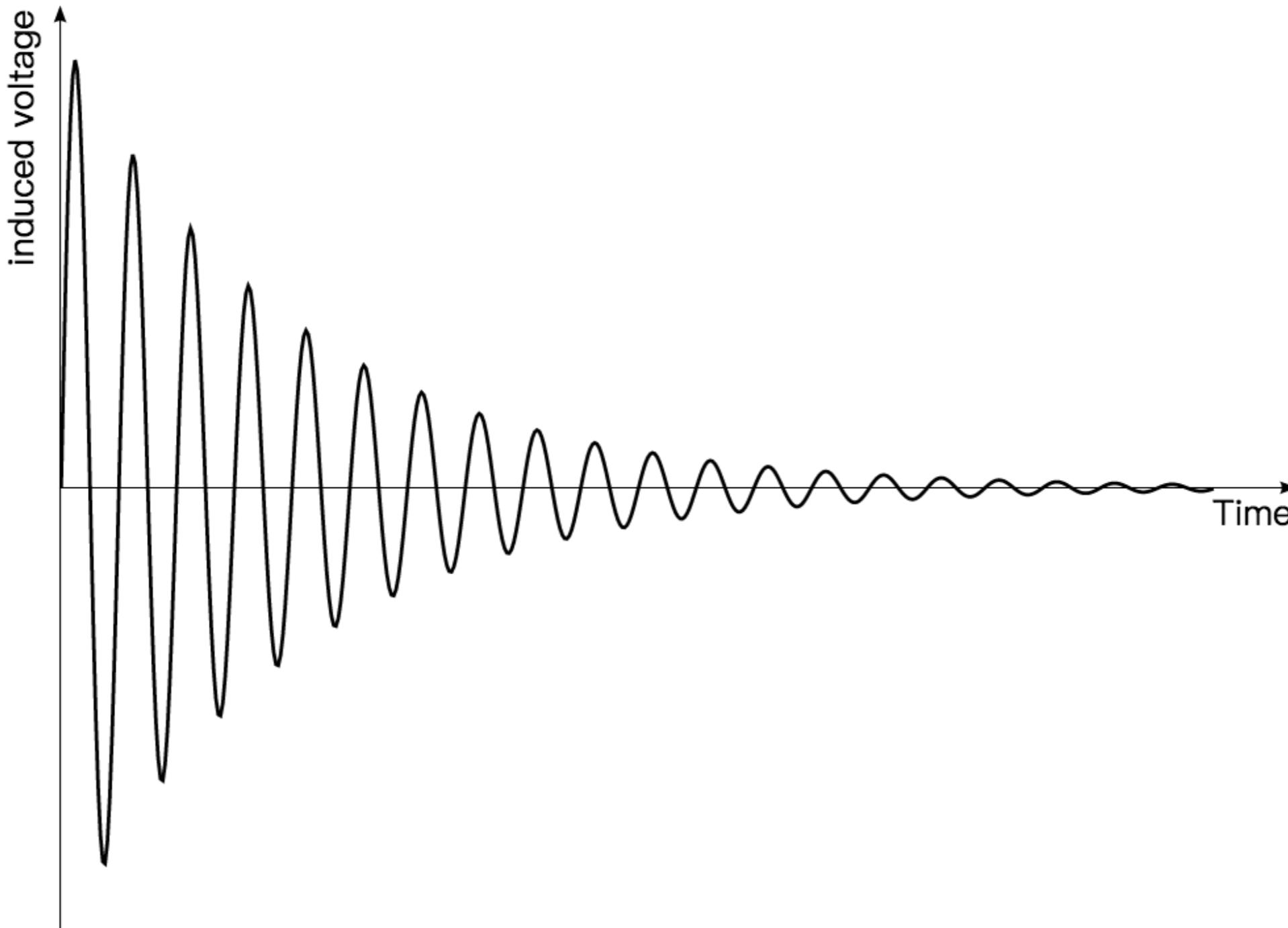
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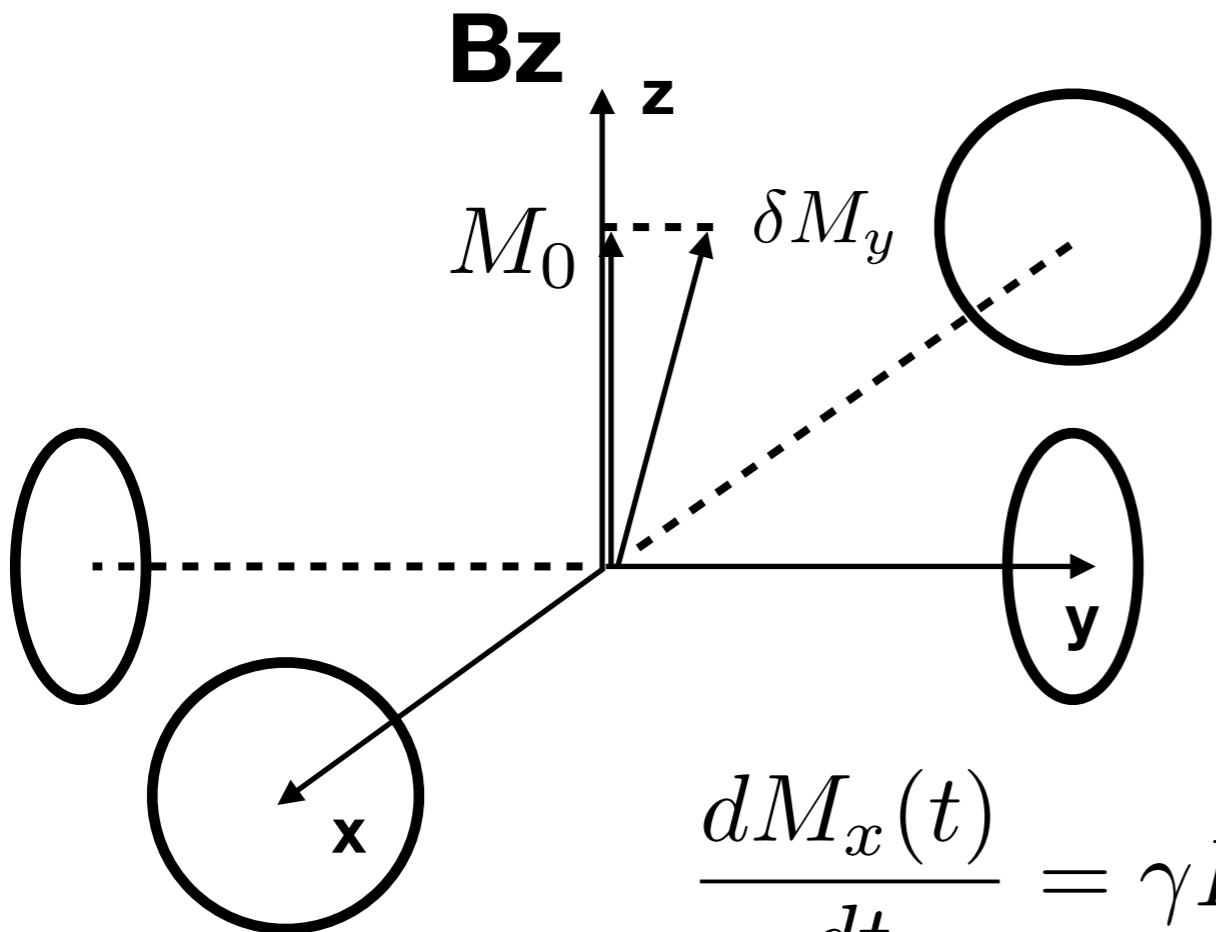
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# Free Induction Decay

$M_x$



# Another Scheme : Feedback



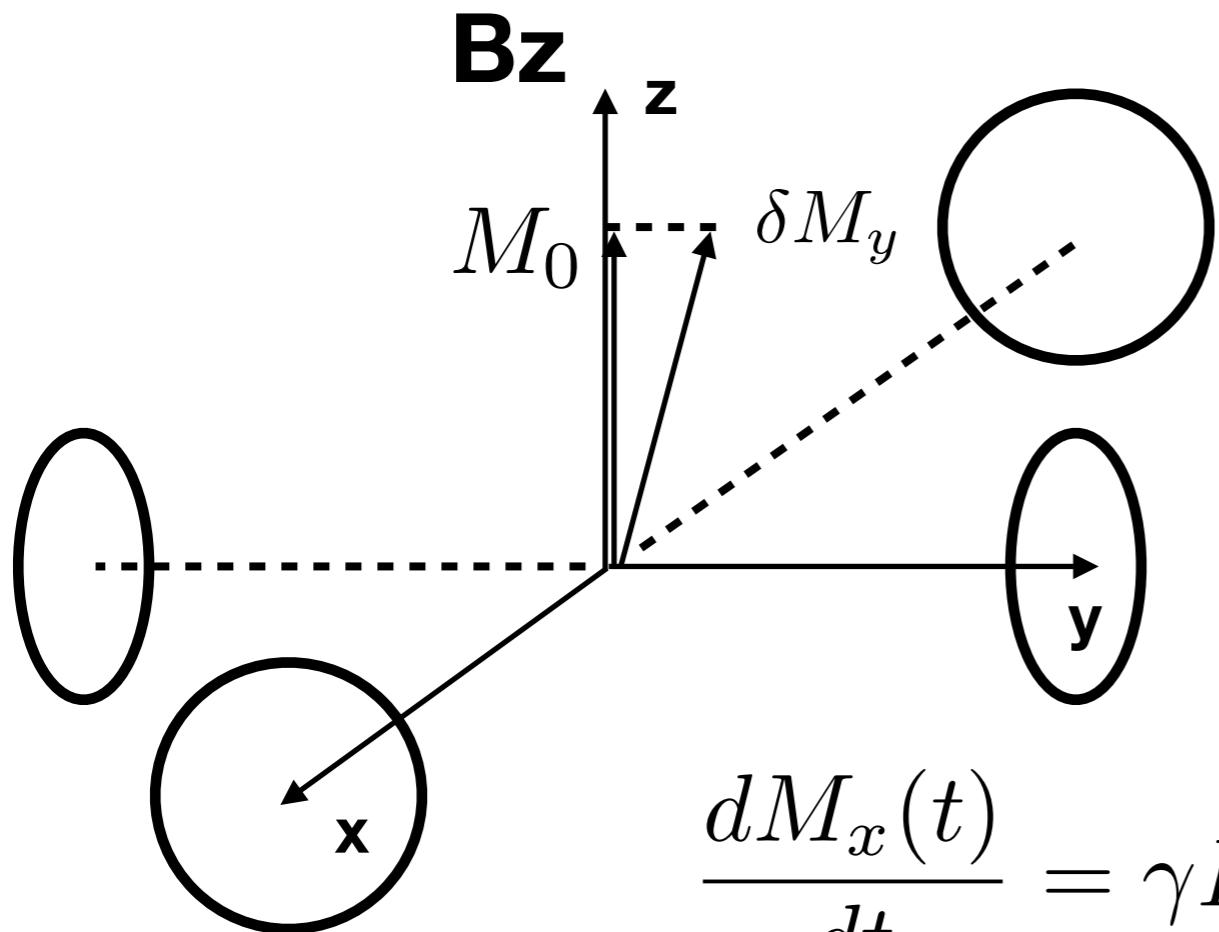
$$B_x(t) = \alpha M_y(t)/\gamma$$
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$$\frac{dM_x(t)}{dt} = \gamma B_z M_y + \alpha M_z M_x - \frac{M_x}{T_2}$$

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$$\frac{dM_z(t)}{dt} = \alpha(M_x + M_y)^2 - \frac{M_0 - M_z}{T_1}$$

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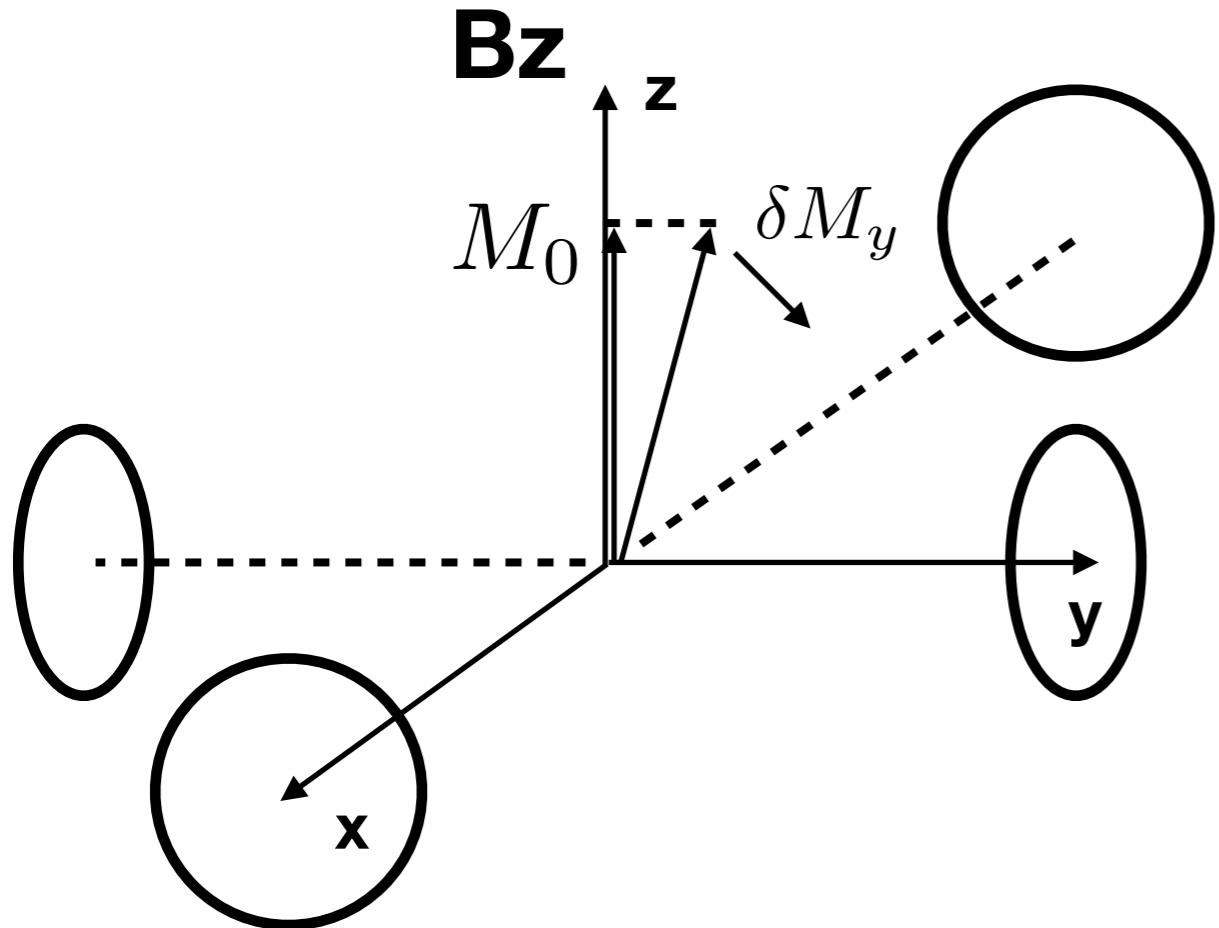
**Deviate from the steady state (0,0,M\_0)**

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# Another Scheme : Feedback



$$B_x(t) = \alpha M_y(t) / \gamma$$

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**Deviate from the steady state (0,0,M\_0)**

If

$$\frac{d\delta M_y}{dt} = (\alpha M_0 - 1/T_2) \delta M_y$$

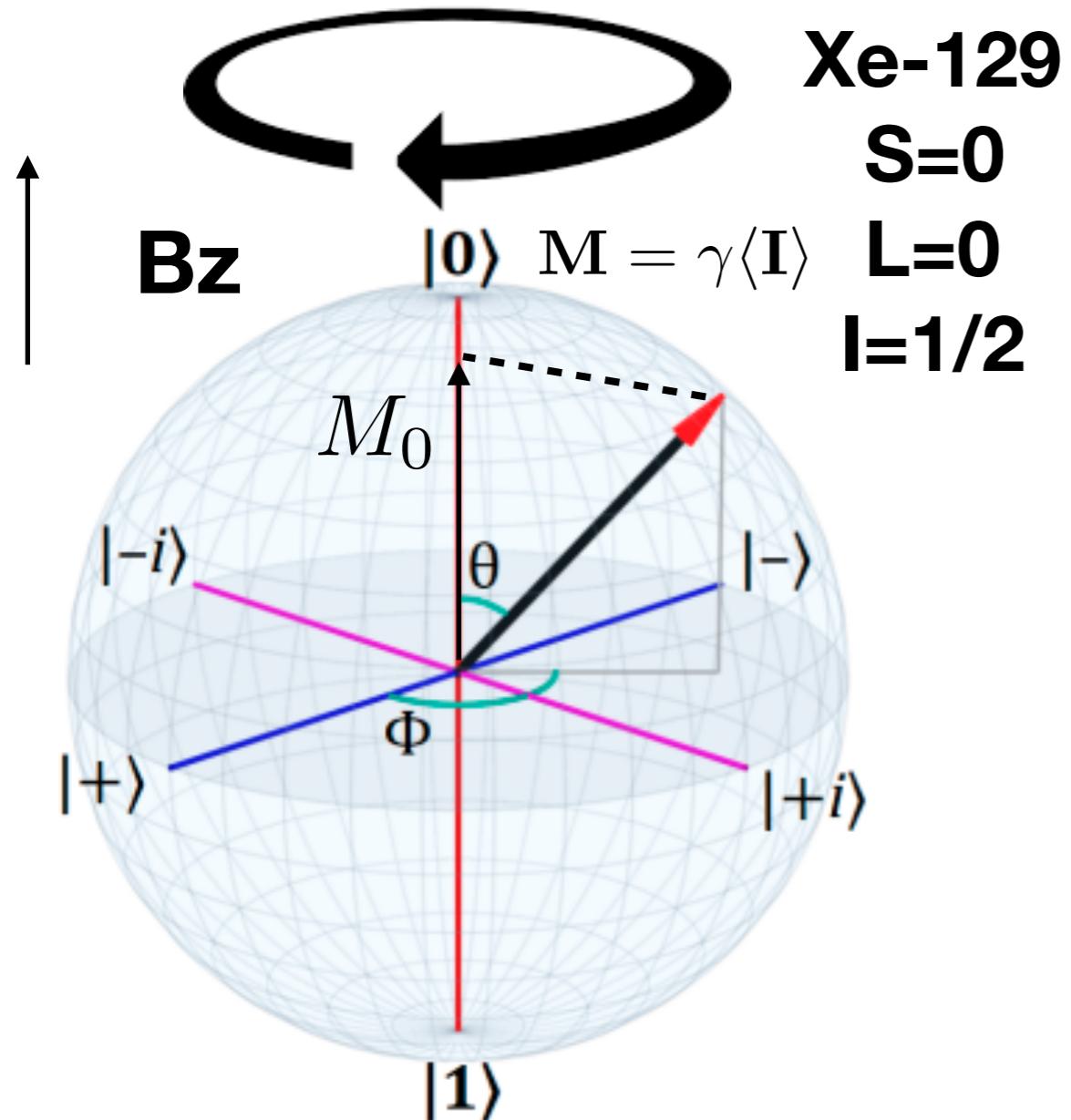
$$\alpha M_0 - 1/T_2 > 0 \quad \text{unstable}$$

$$\frac{dM_x(t)}{dt} = \gamma B_z M_y + \alpha M_z M_x - \frac{M_x}{T_2}$$

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# Steady Precession - Limit Cycle



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**Bloch Equations:**

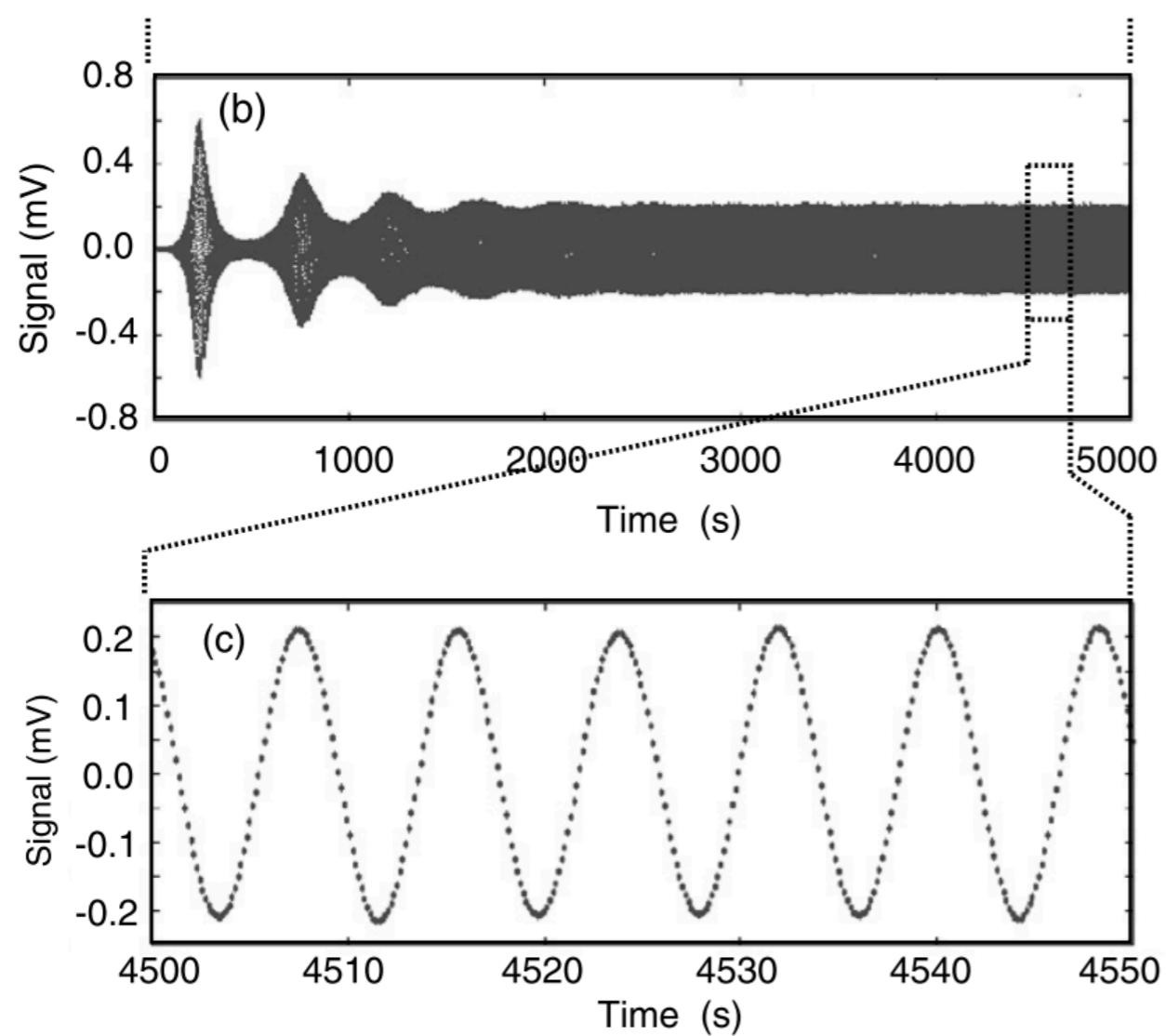
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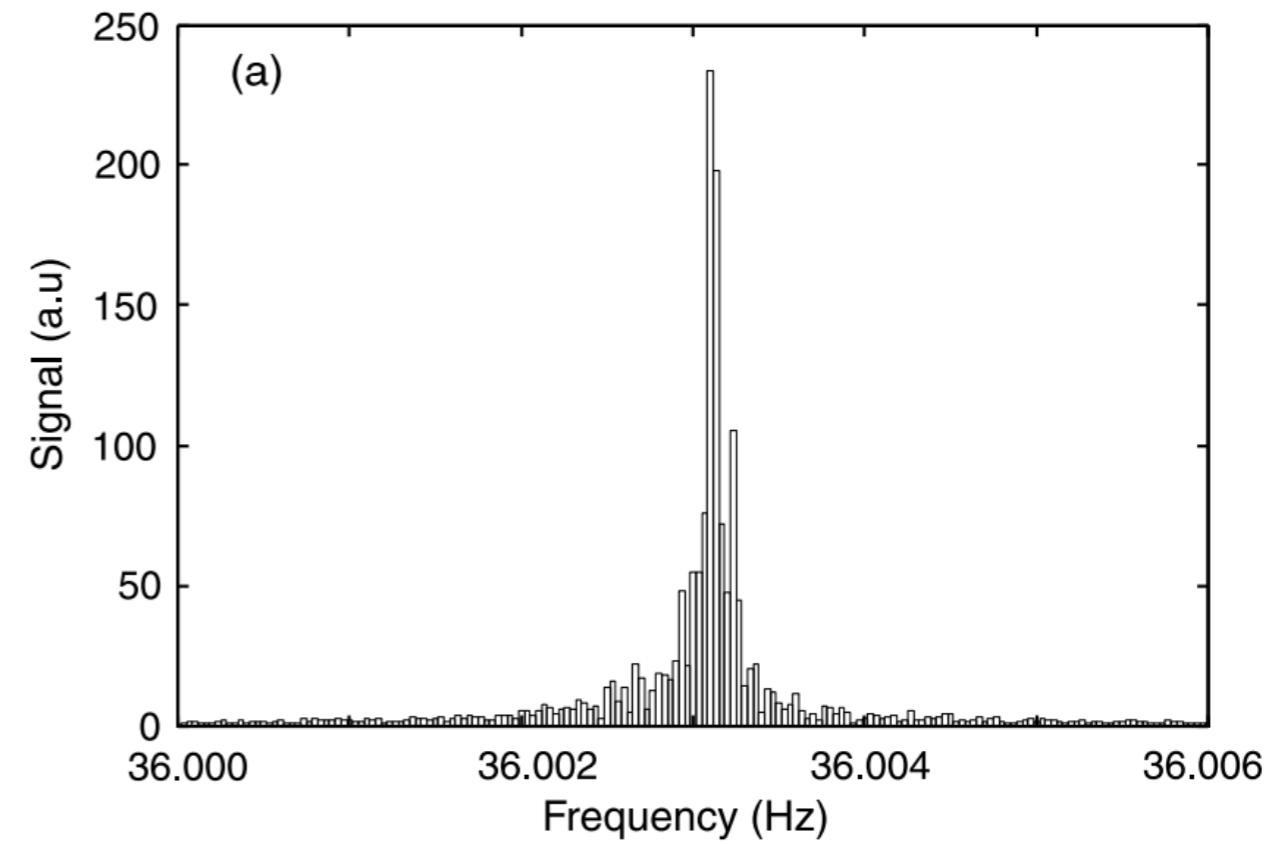
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**Larmor Precession**

$$\omega_L = \gamma B_z$$

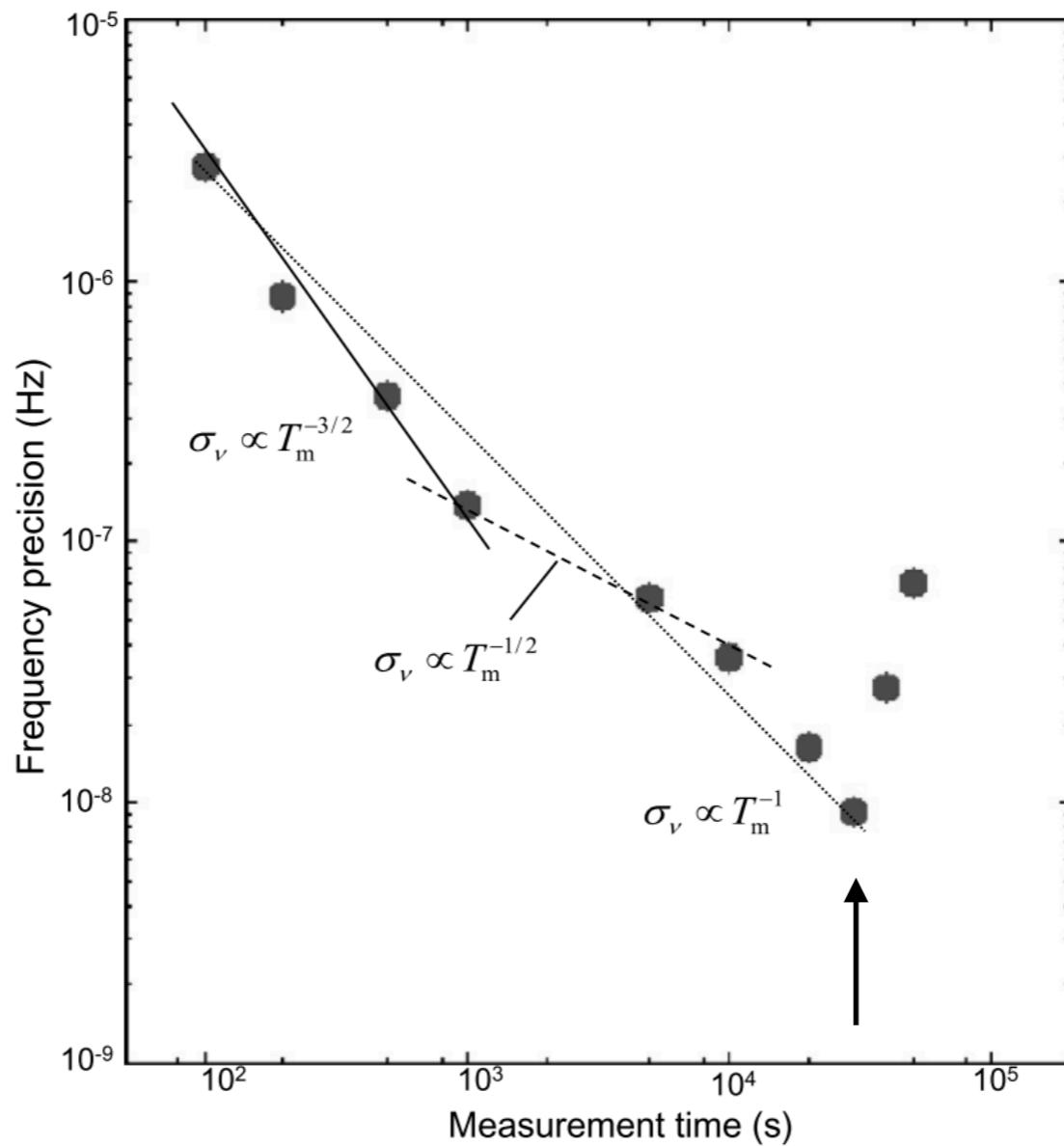


**Fig. 3.** (a) Spin maser oscillation signal observed in a time span of 24 hours. (b) Transient pattern in the initial spin maser oscillation. (c) Steady state oscillation after the transient settled. The signals shown in the ordinates represent the beat between the spin detection signal and a 36.12 Hz fixed frequency reference signal for a lock-in amplifier.



$$B_0 = 3.04 \mu T, T_m = 3 \times 10^4 s$$

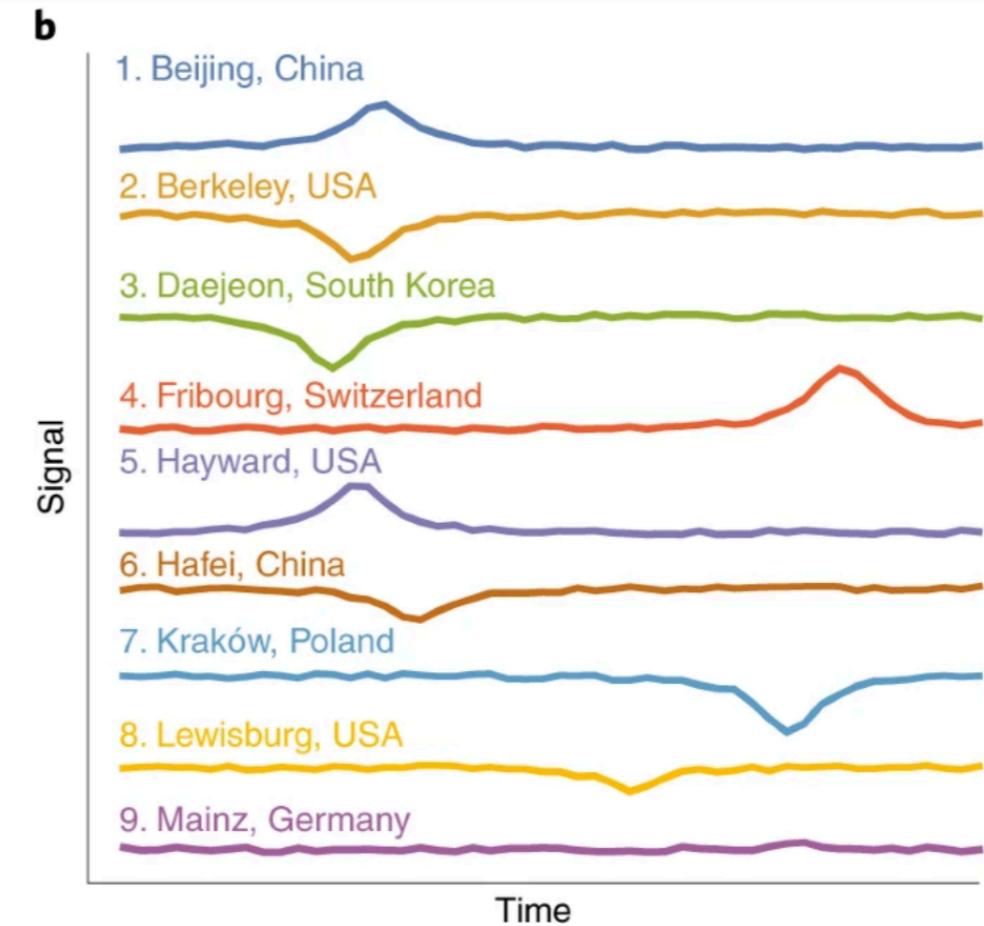
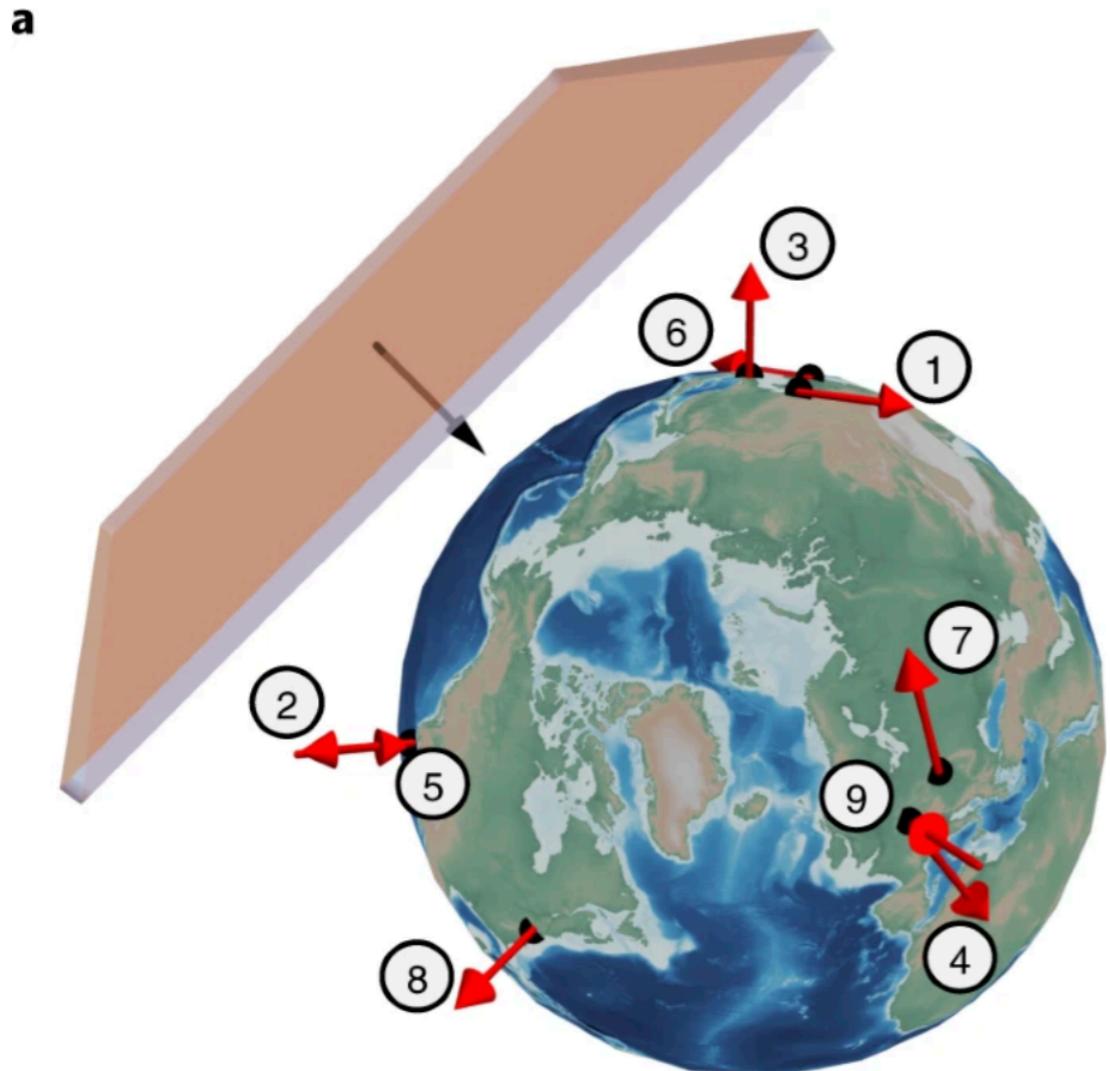
$$\Delta\nu_{FT} = 50 \mu Hz$$



**Fig. 7.** Frequency precision of the spin oscillation. The abscissa represents the standard deviation of the frequency  $\nu$  determined by fitting a function  $\phi(t) = 2\pi\nu t + \phi_0$  to the observed precession phases  $\phi$  from  $t = 0$  to  $t = T_m$ . Solid, dotted and dashed lines are the presentation of three cases with power laws  $\sigma_\nu \propto T_m^{-3/2}$ ,  $\sigma_\nu \propto T_m^{-1}$ , and  $\sigma_\nu \propto T_m^{-1/2}$  respectively.

# Co-magnetometers

Fig. 1: Visualization of an ALP domain-wall crossing.



**a**, Image showing the Earth together with the position and sensitive axes of the GNOME magnetometers during Science Run 2. Position and sensitive axes are show as red arrows. The crossing direction of the domain wall is represented as a black arrow (Extended Data Table 1). **b**, Simulation of the signals expected to be observed from a domain-wall crossing at the different magnetometers comprising the network.

**Axion-like particles  
for dark matter**

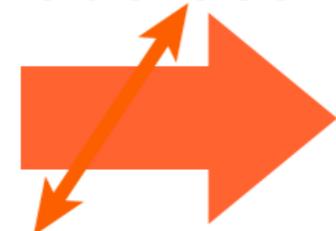
$$H_{\text{lin}} = -(\hbar c)^{3/2} \frac{\xi}{f_{\text{SB}}} \frac{\mathbf{S}}{\|\mathbf{S}\|} \cdot \nabla a(\mathbf{r}, t), \quad H_Z = -\gamma \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{B},$$

**The global network of optical magnetometers for exotic (GNOME) physics searches**

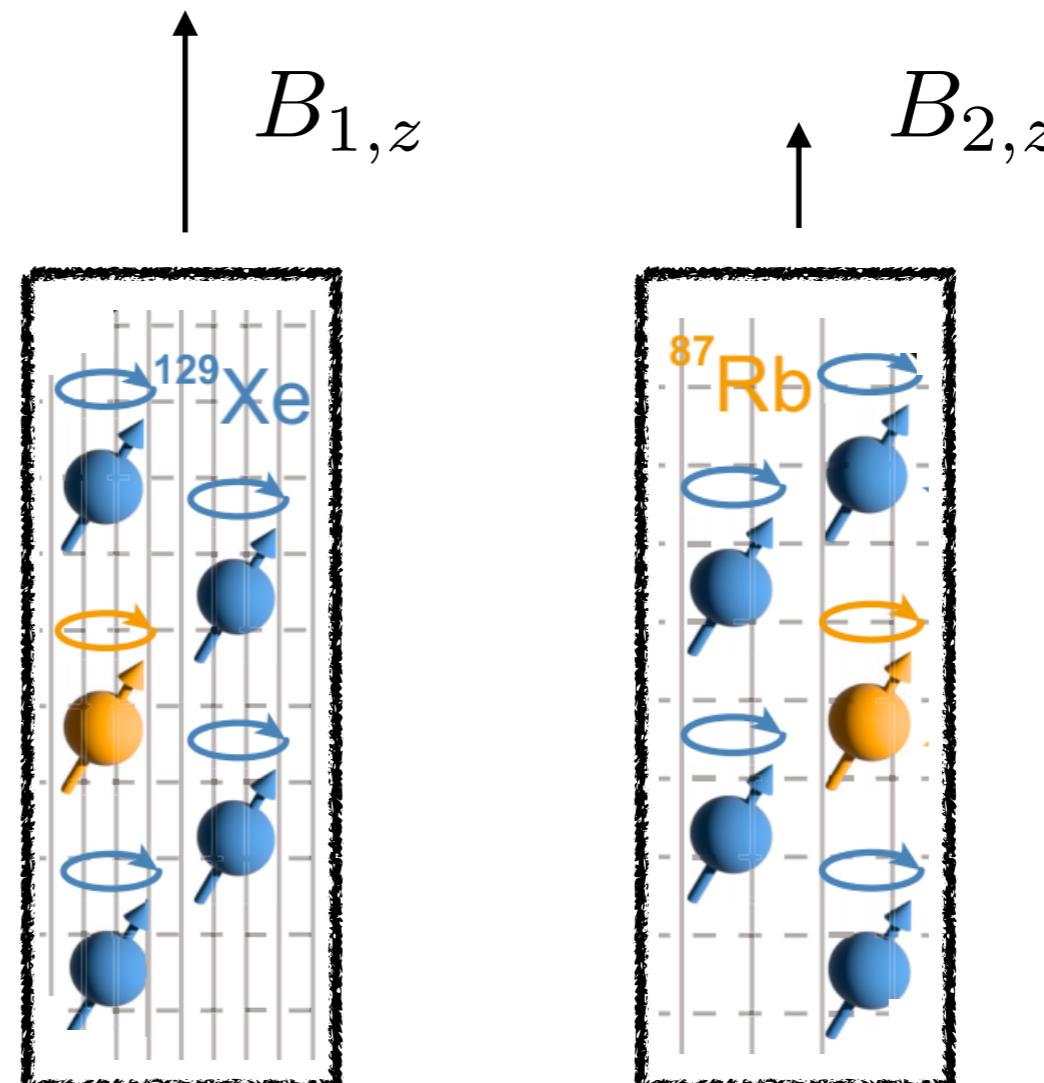
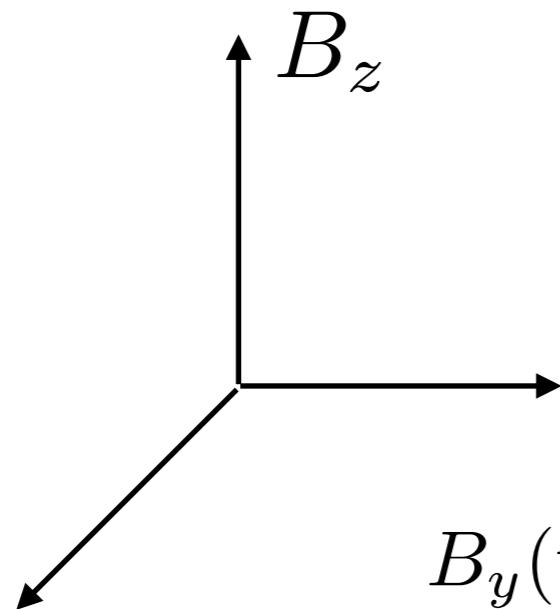
# A New Coupled Set-up

Dual Cells

Probe beam



$B_z$

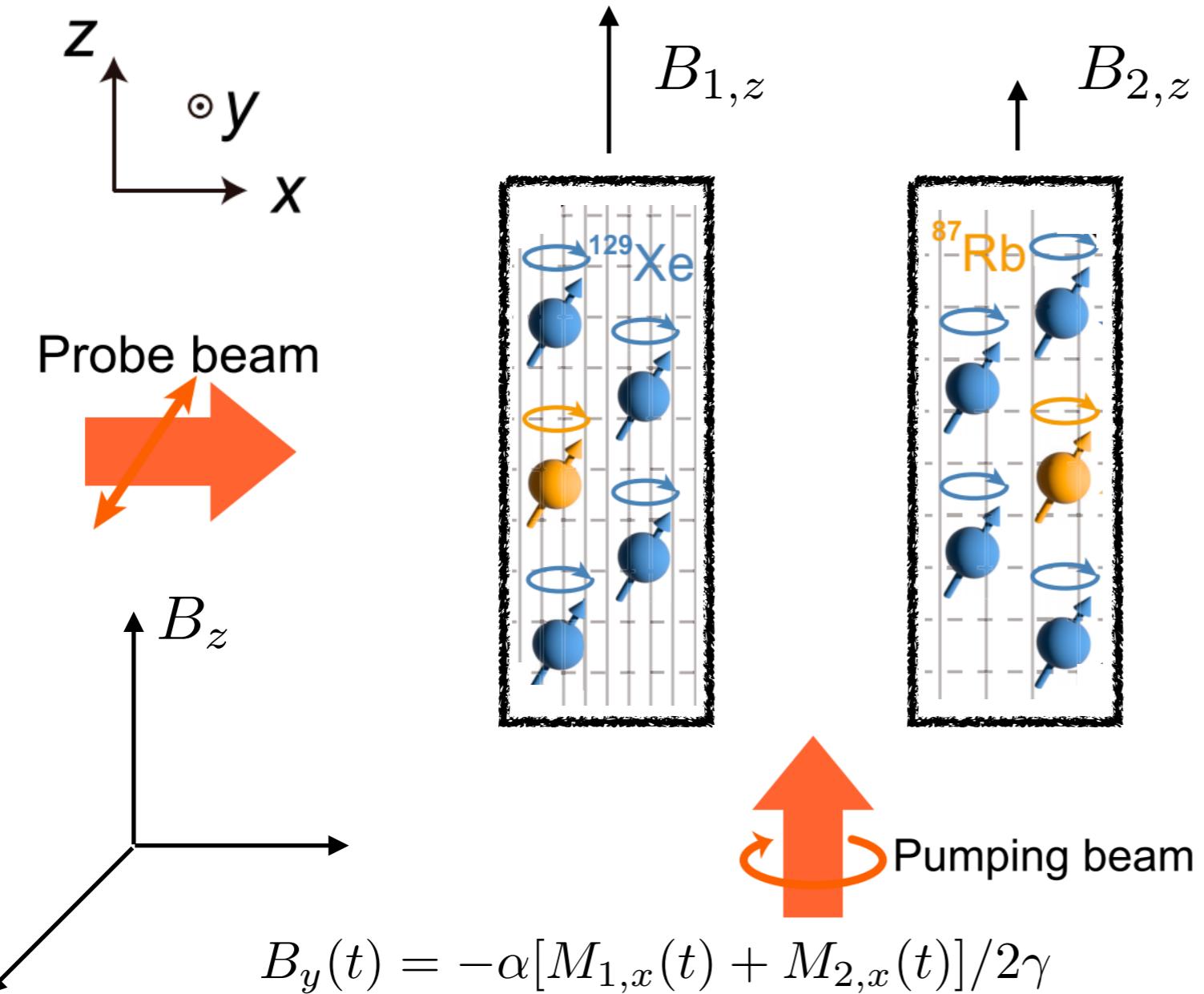


Pumping beam

$$B_y(t) = -\alpha[M_{1,x}(t) + M_{2,x}(t)]/2\gamma$$

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# Bloch Equations

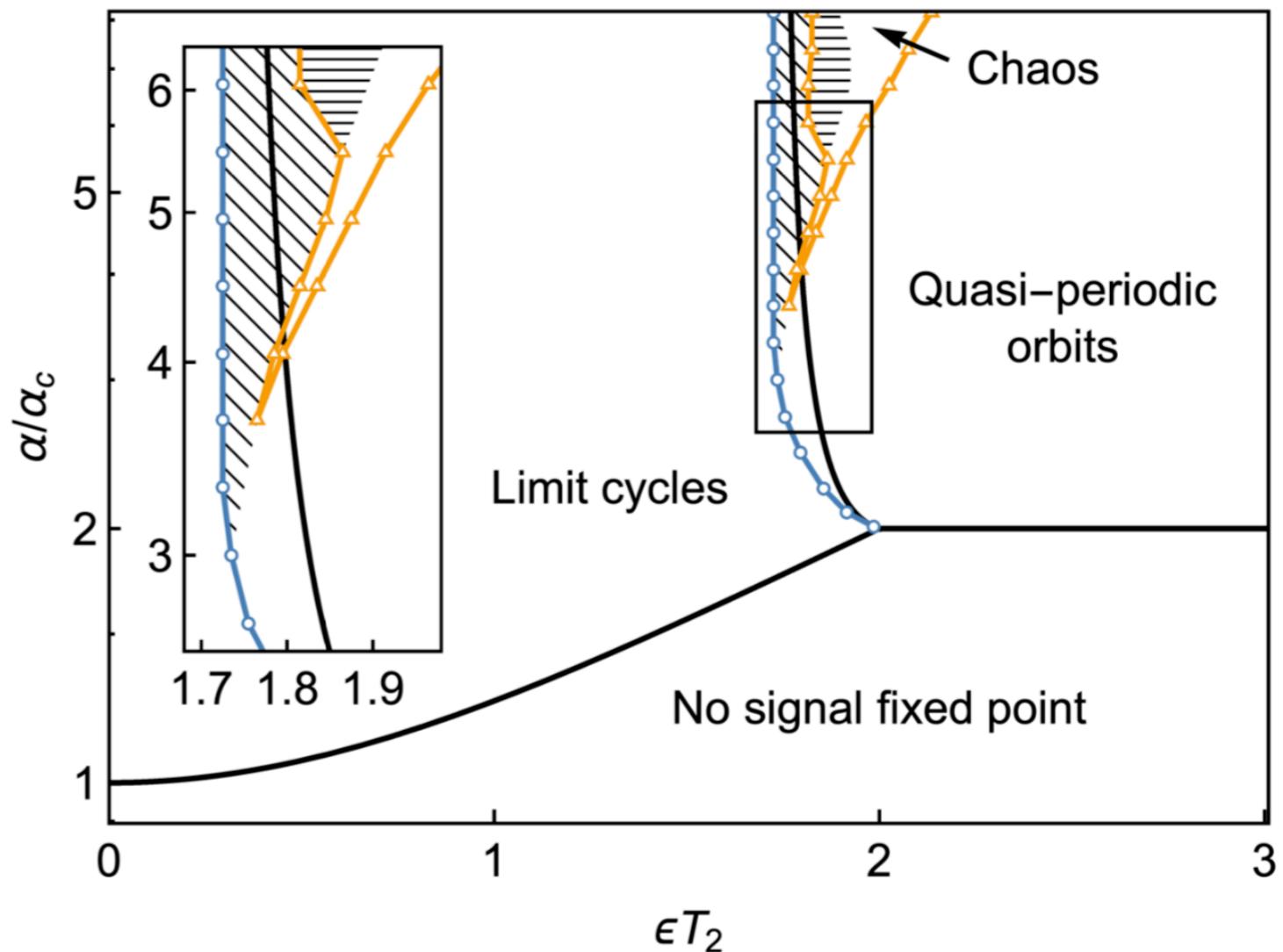
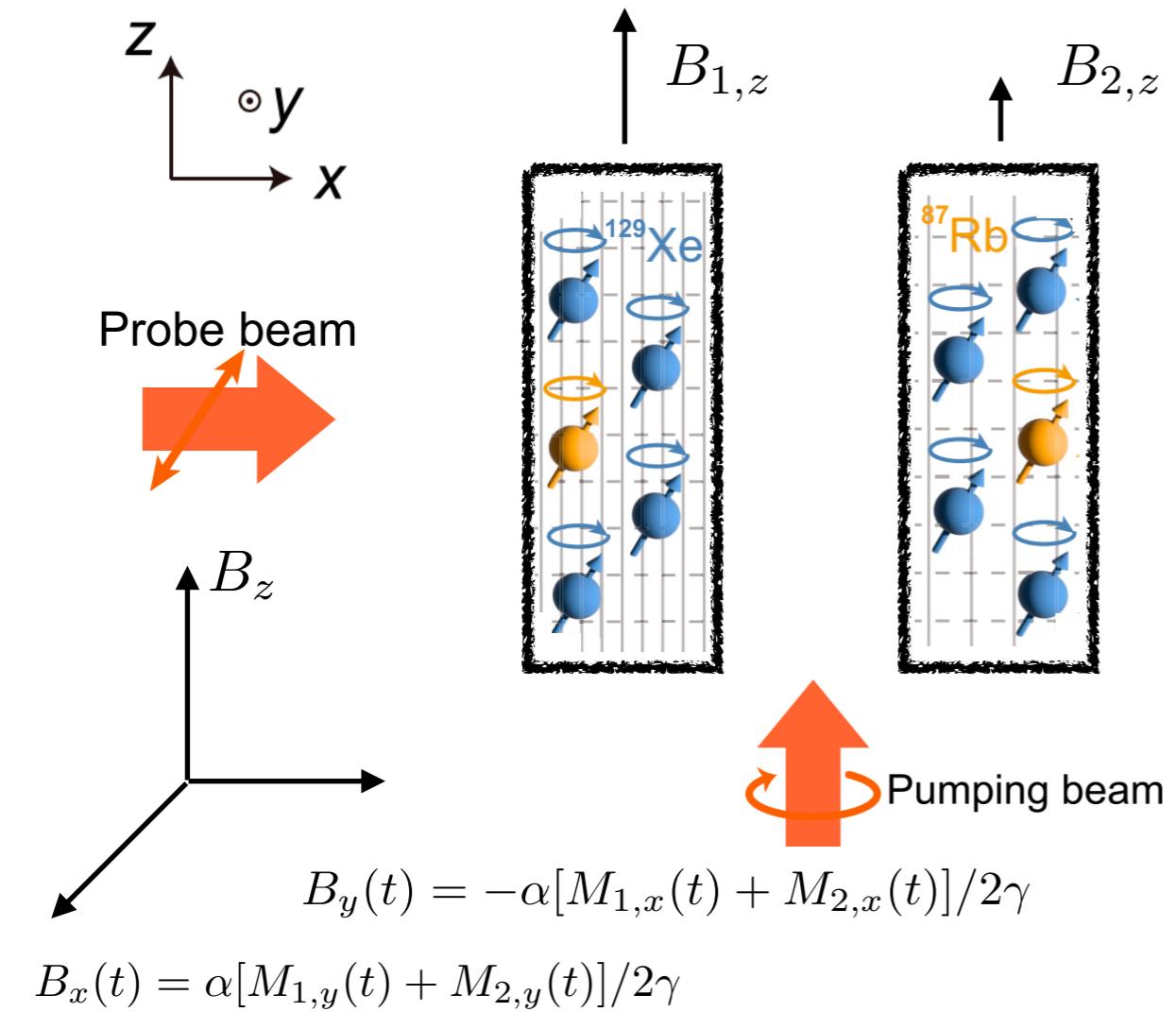


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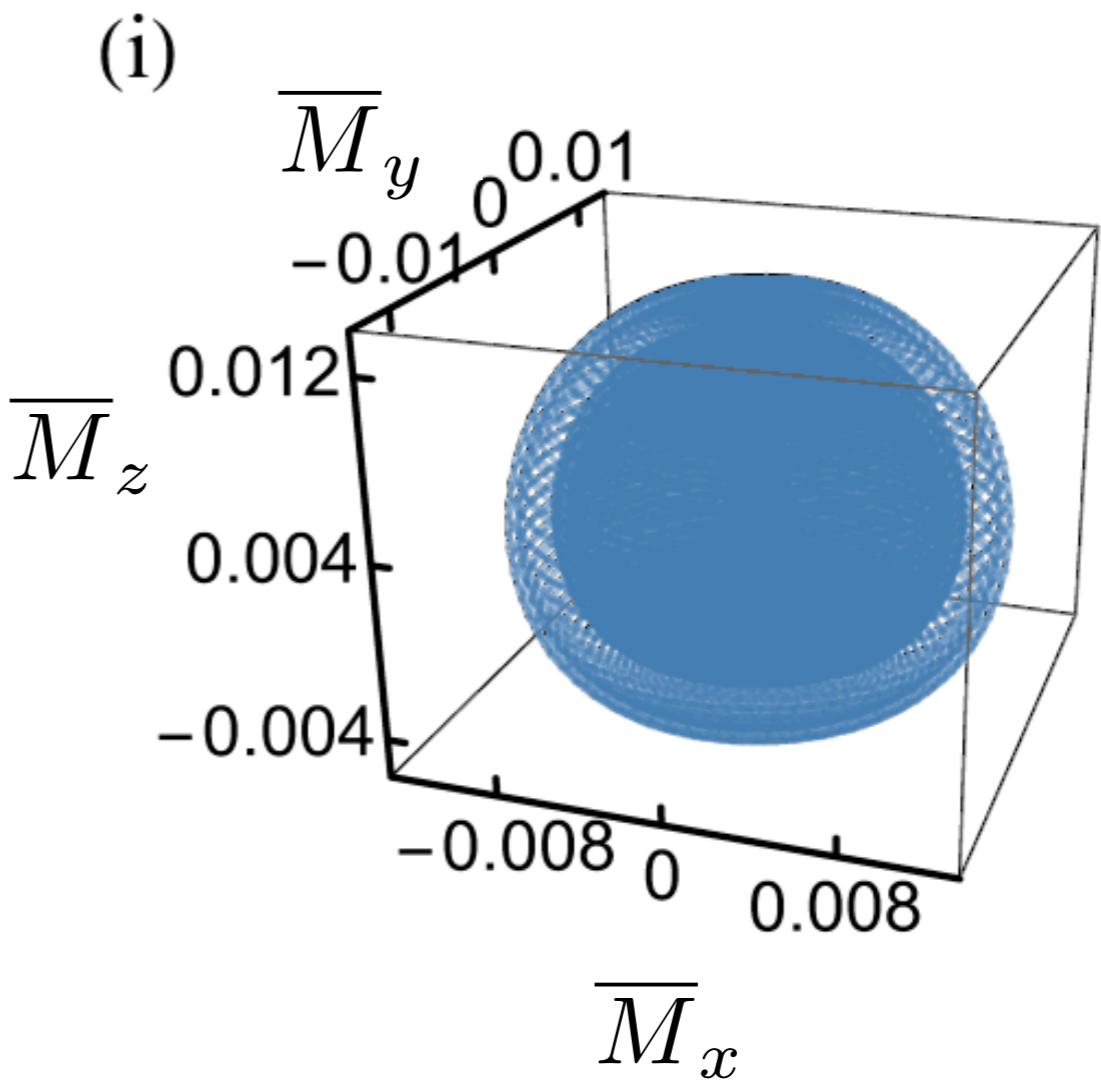
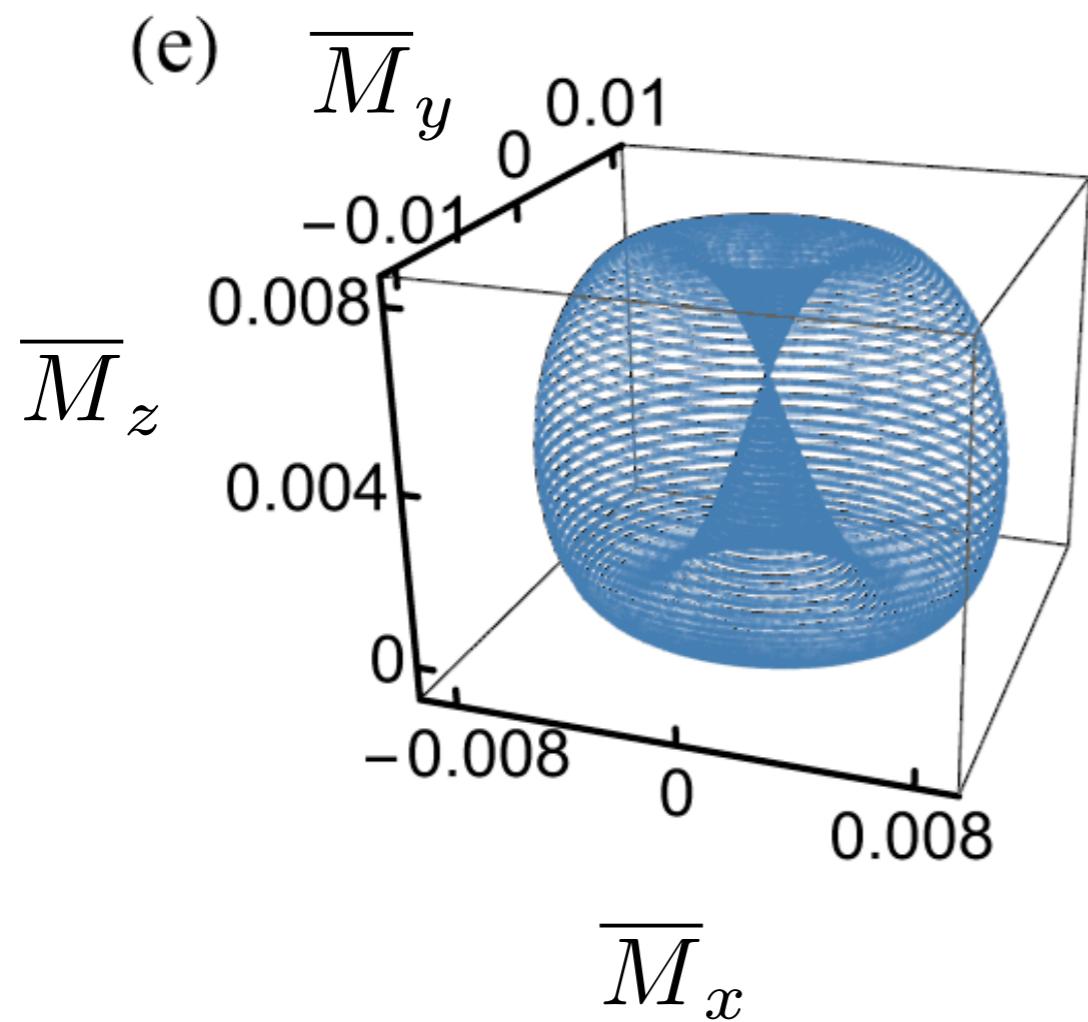
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# Stability Diagram

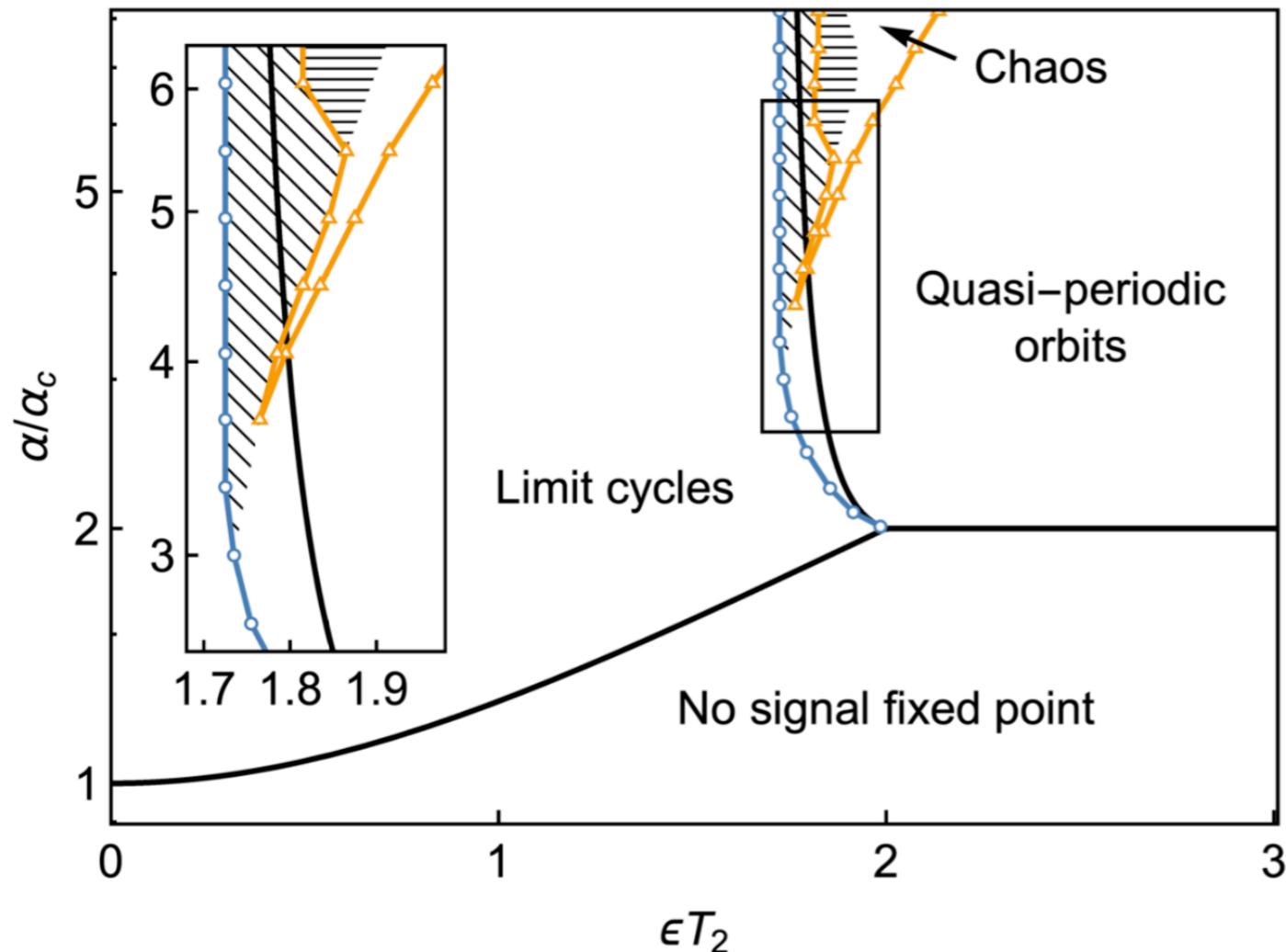


# Spot by Sight



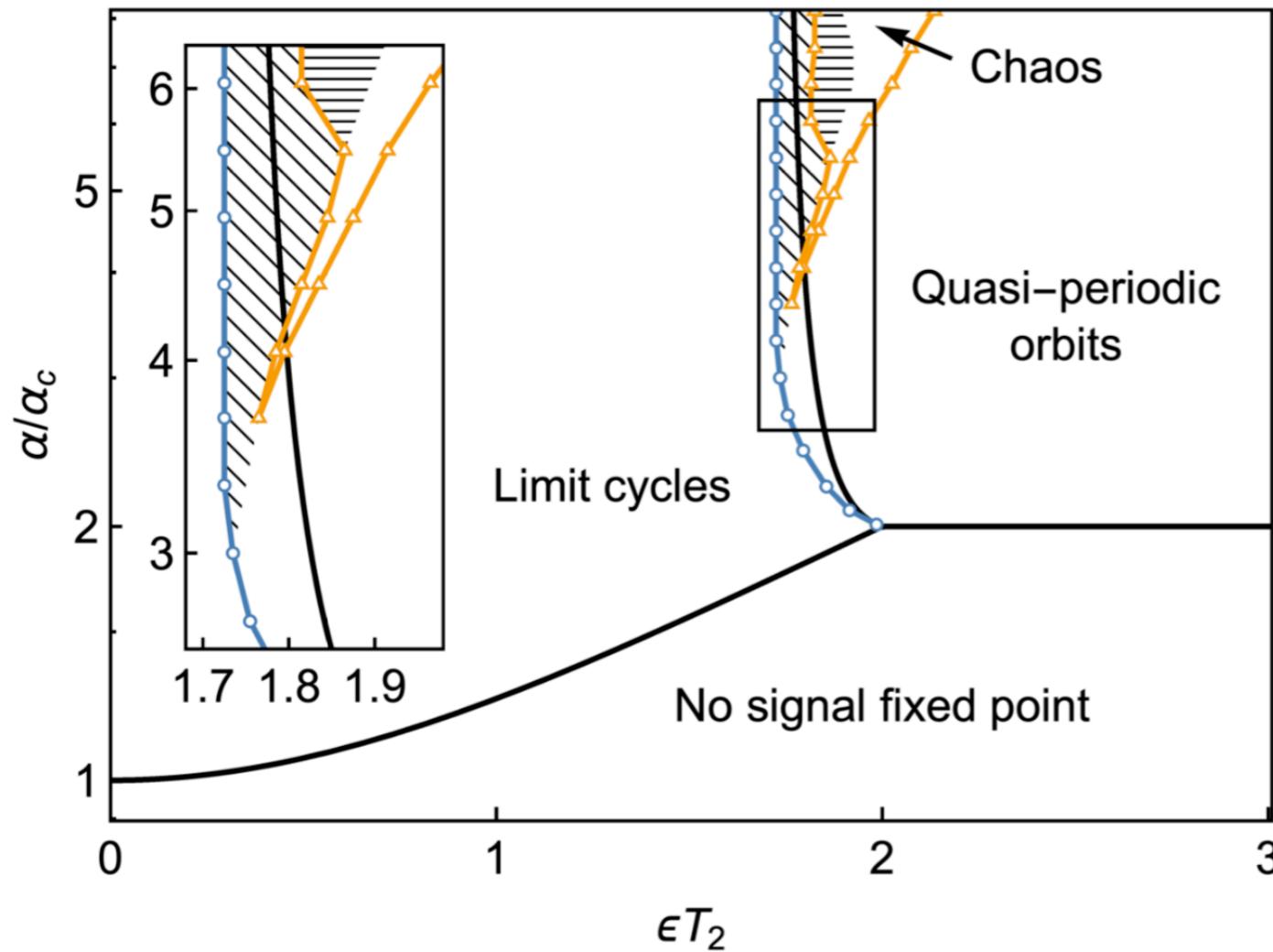
**Which is which?**

# Dimension Reduction

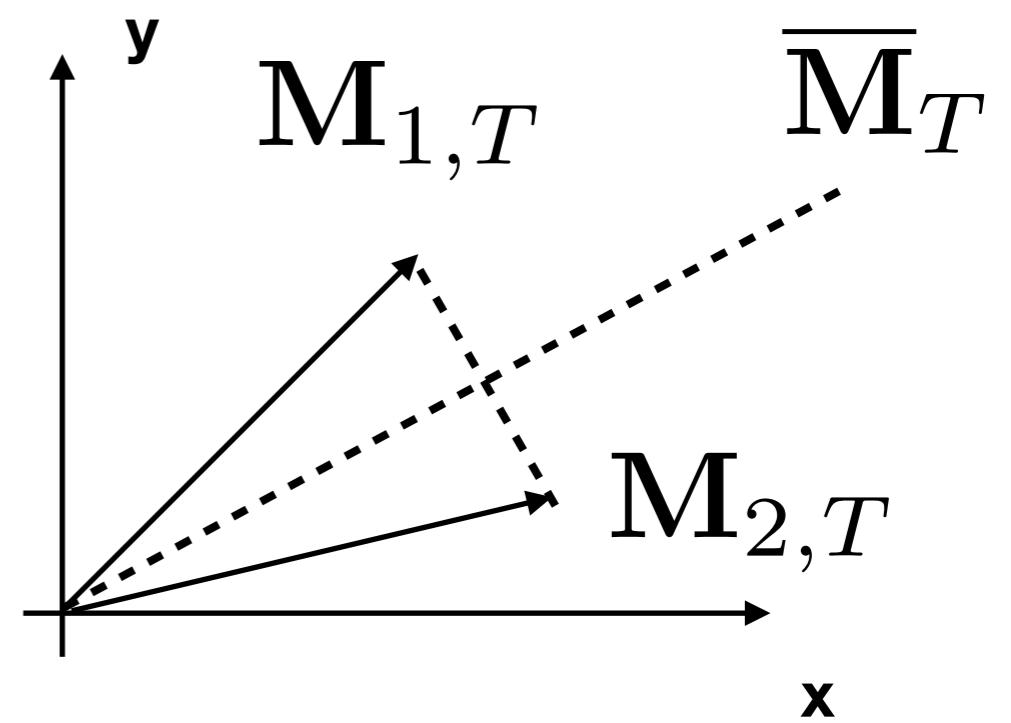


$$M_{1,z} = M_{2,z}$$
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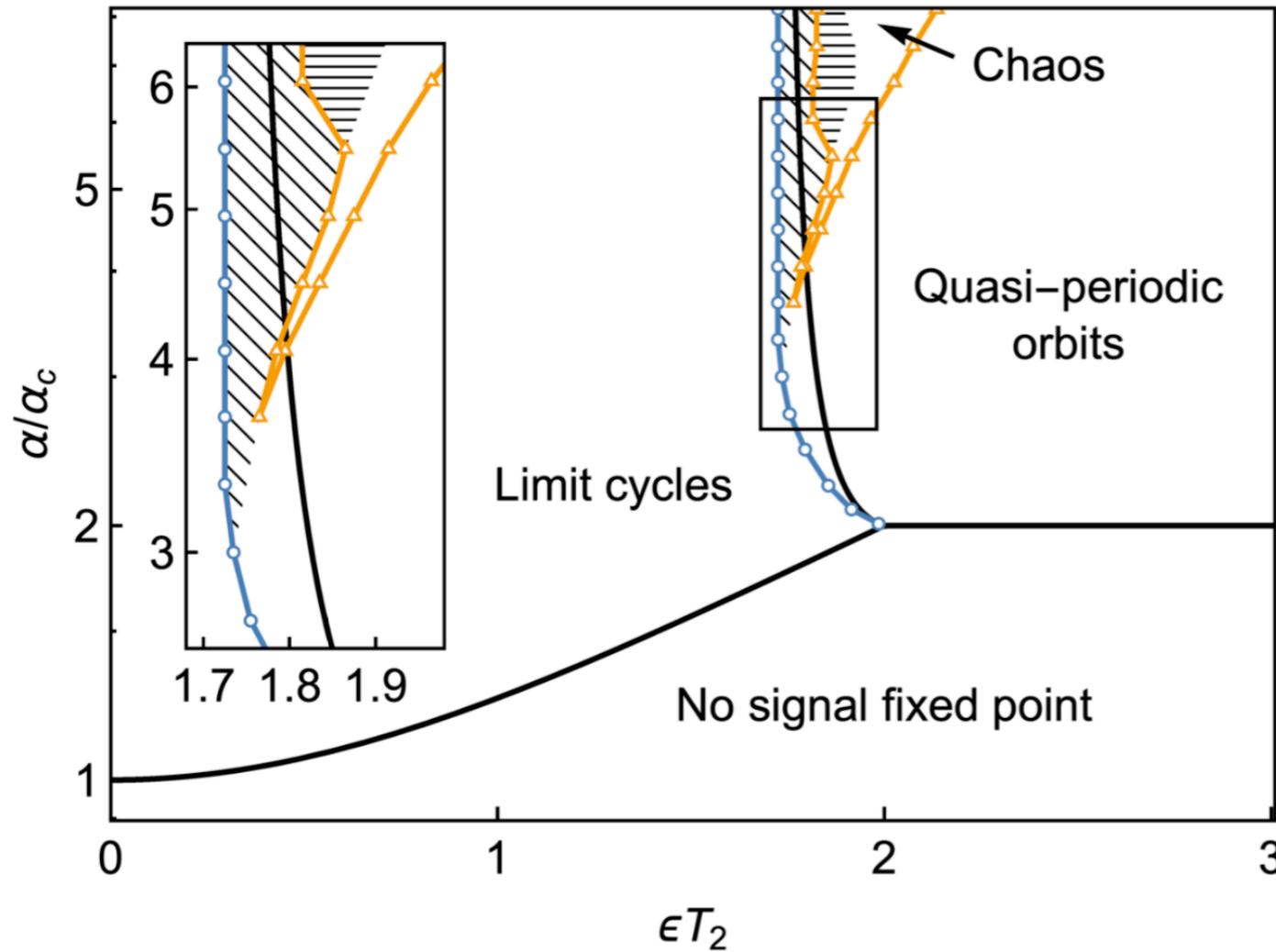
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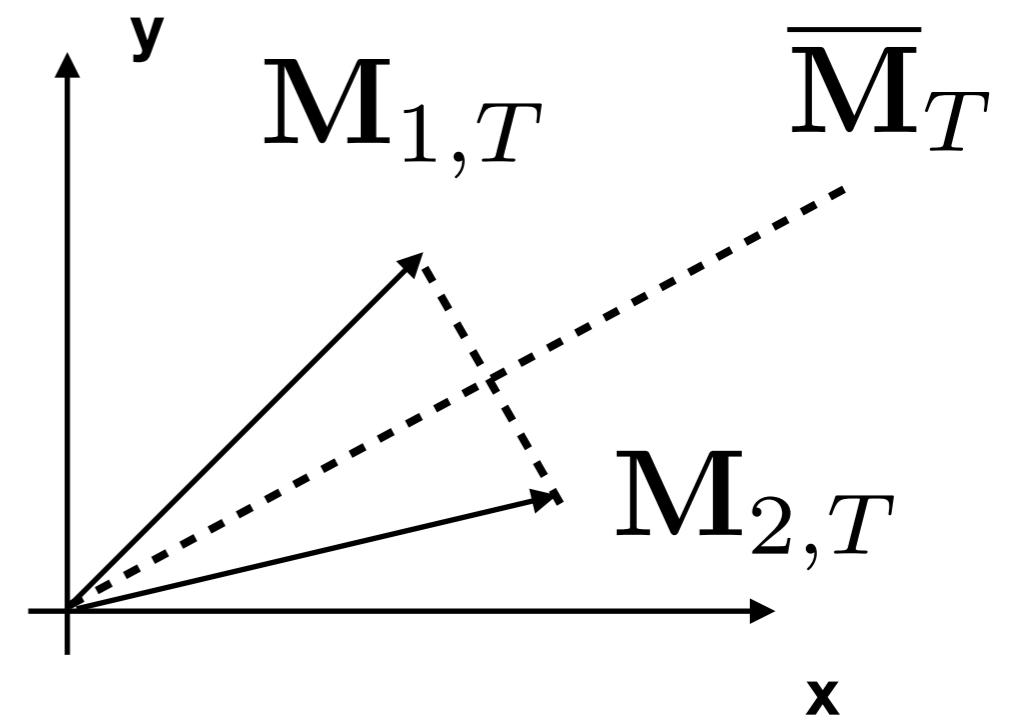


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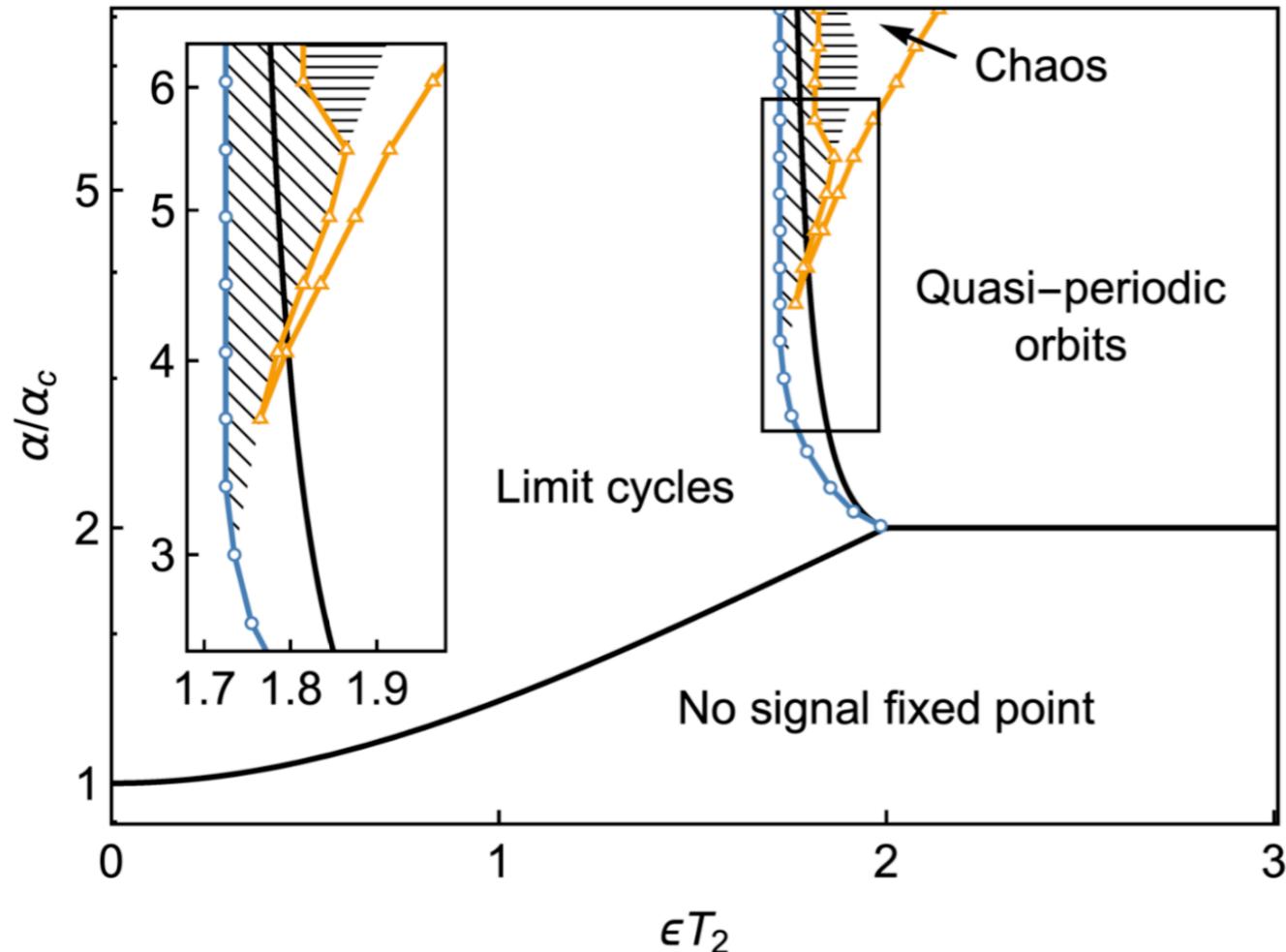


$$\begin{aligned}\overline{M}_T &\equiv \overline{M}_x + i\overline{M}_y \equiv Ae^{i\theta}/2 \\ \Delta M_T &\equiv M_{1,T} - M_{2,T} \equiv Be^{i(\theta+\pi/2)}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}M_{1,z} &= M_{2,z} \\ M_{1,x}^2 + M_{1,y}^2 &= M_{2,x}^2 + M_{2,y}^2\end{aligned}$$



# Dimension Reduction



$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dA}{dt} &= \alpha \bar{M}_z A + \epsilon B / 2 - A / T_2 \\ \frac{dB}{dt} &= -\epsilon A / 2 - B / T_2 \\ \frac{d\bar{M}_z}{dt} &= -\alpha A^2 / 4 - (\bar{M}_z - M_0) / T_1 \\ \frac{d\theta}{dt} &= -\omega_c\end{aligned}$$

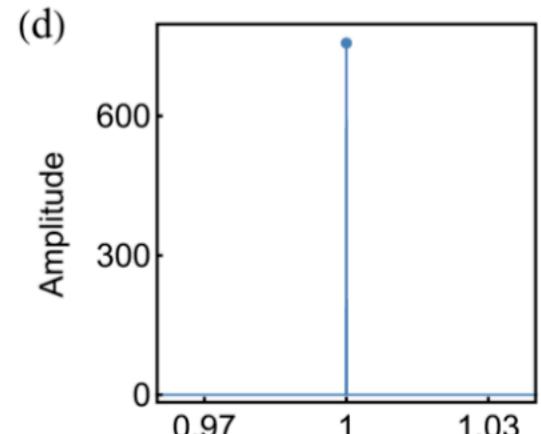
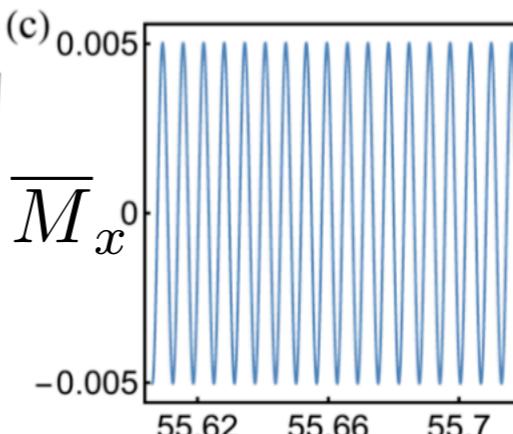
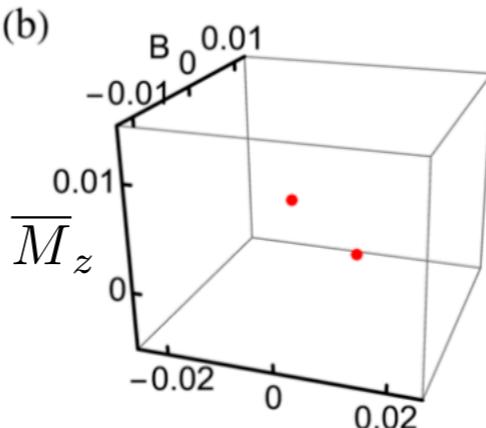
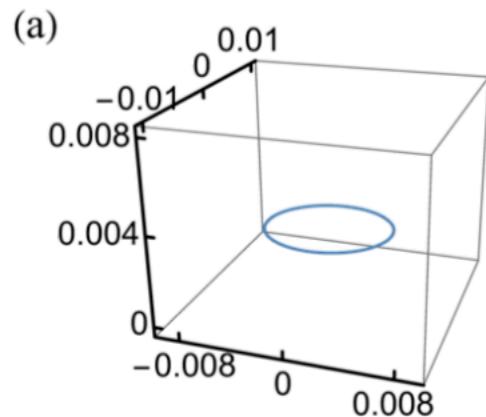
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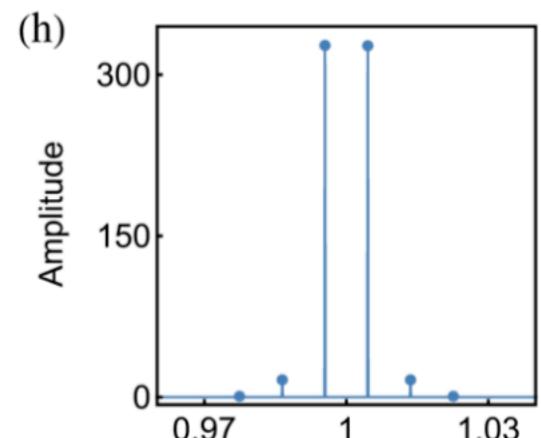
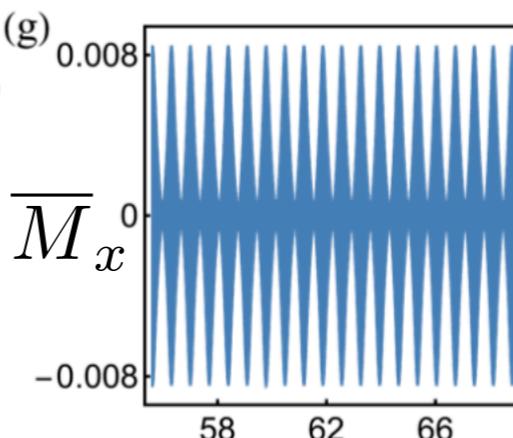
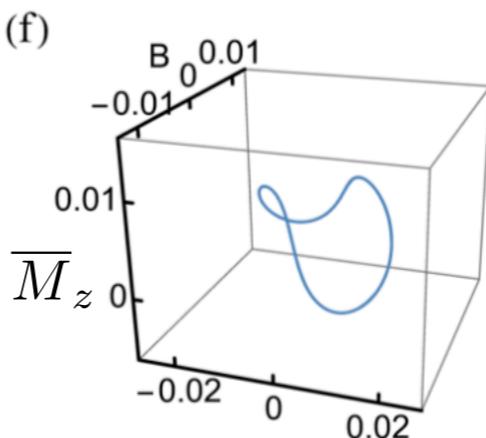
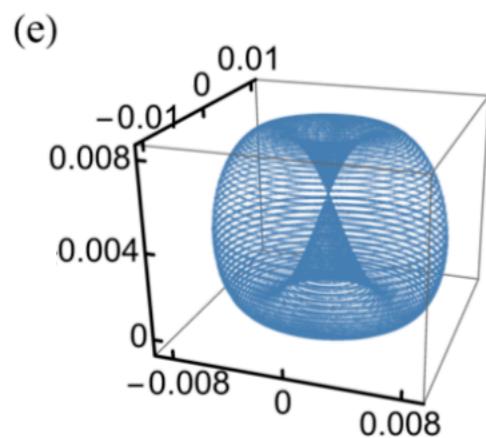
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# Phase Portraits

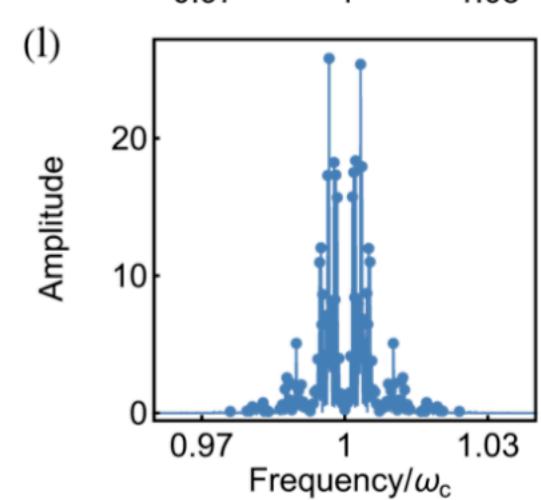
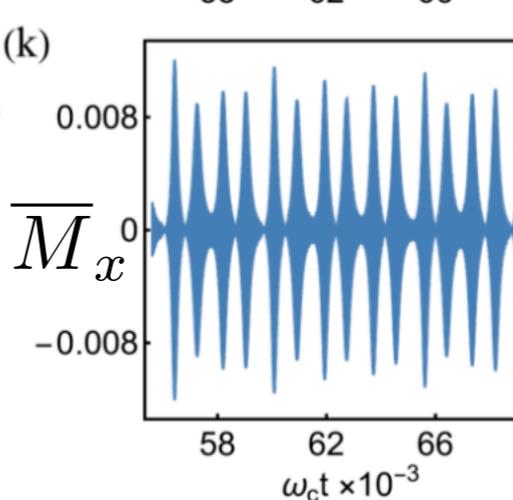
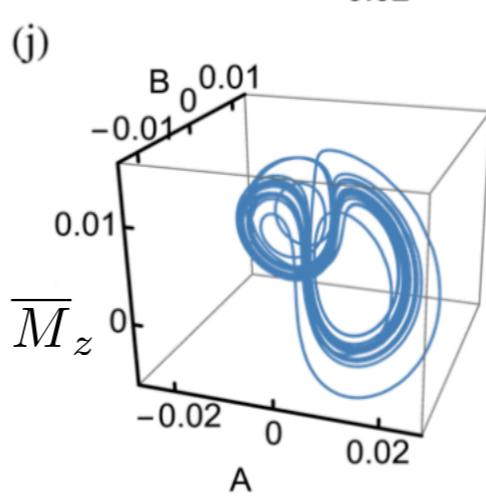
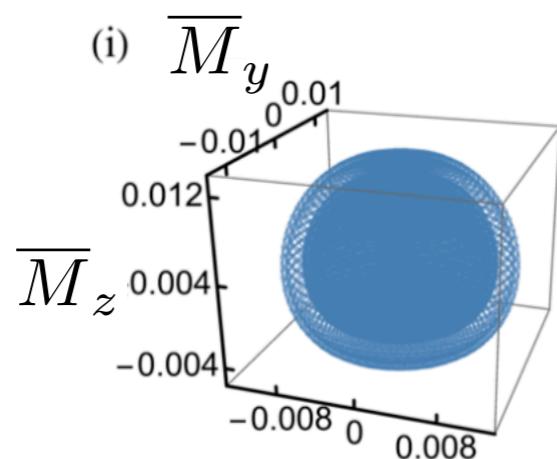
**Limit Cycles**



**Quasi-periodic  
Orbits**



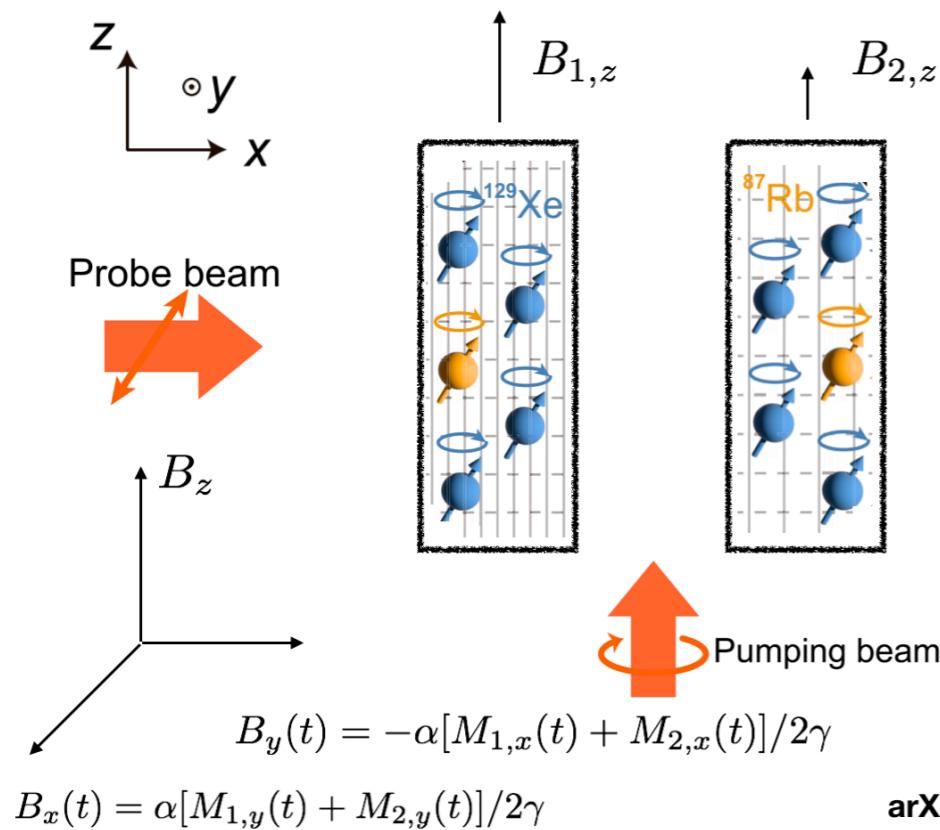
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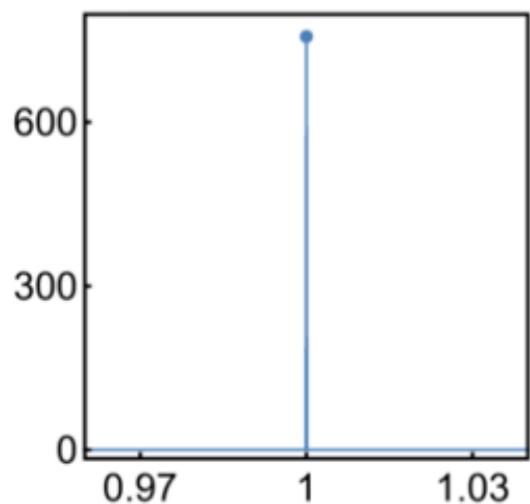
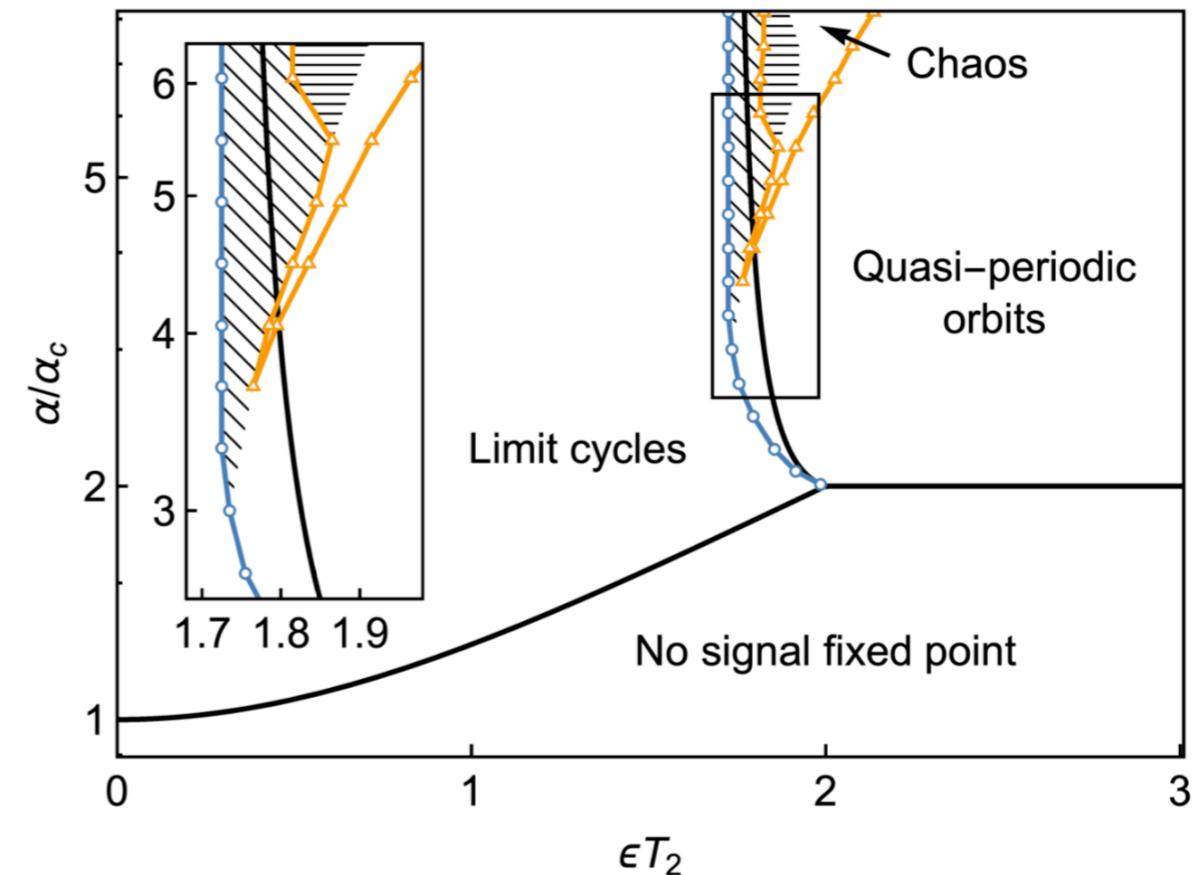
$\overline{M}_x$

# Summary

## A New Coupled Set-up

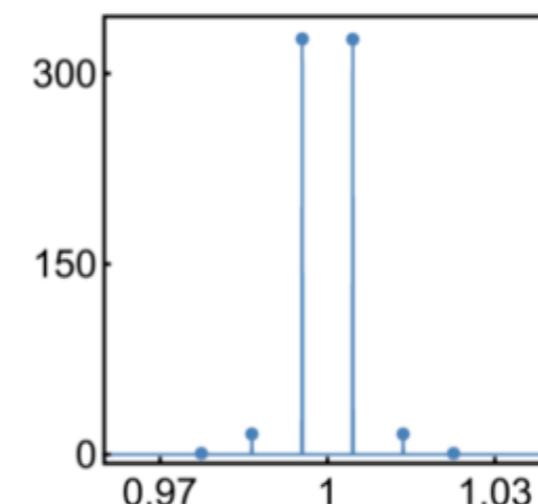


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Limit Cycle

$$\omega_s = \frac{\omega_{1,L} + \omega_{2,L}}{2}$$

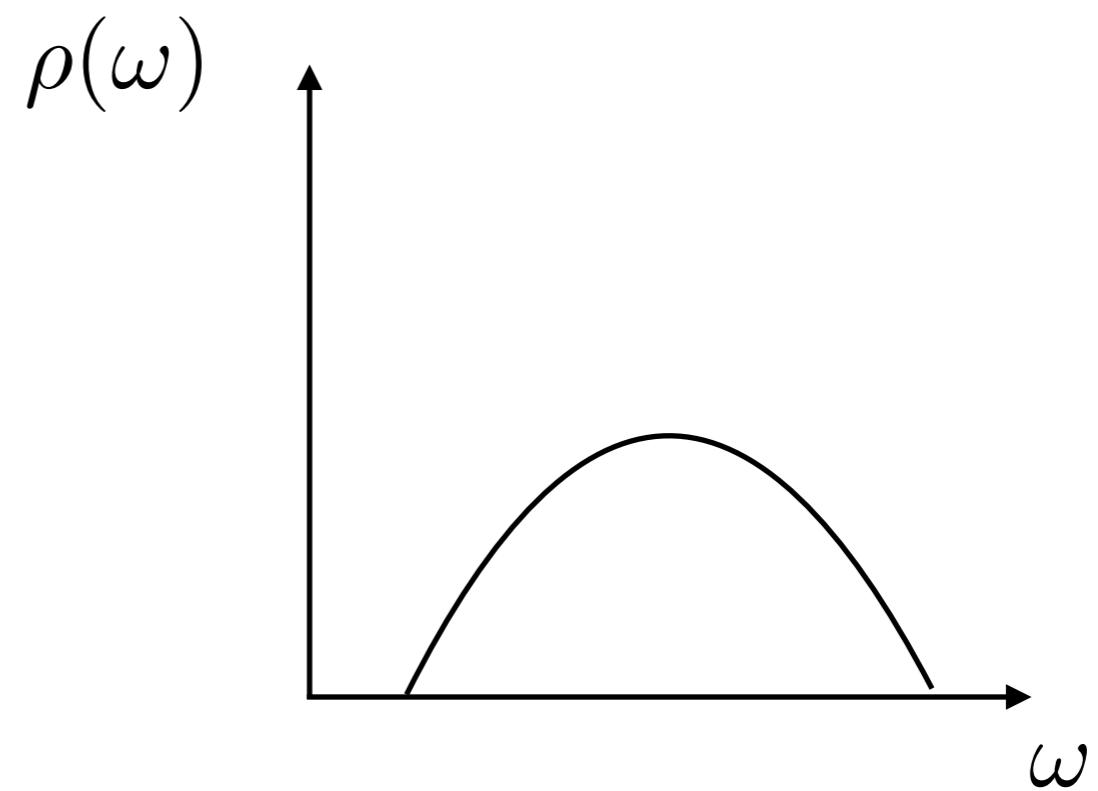
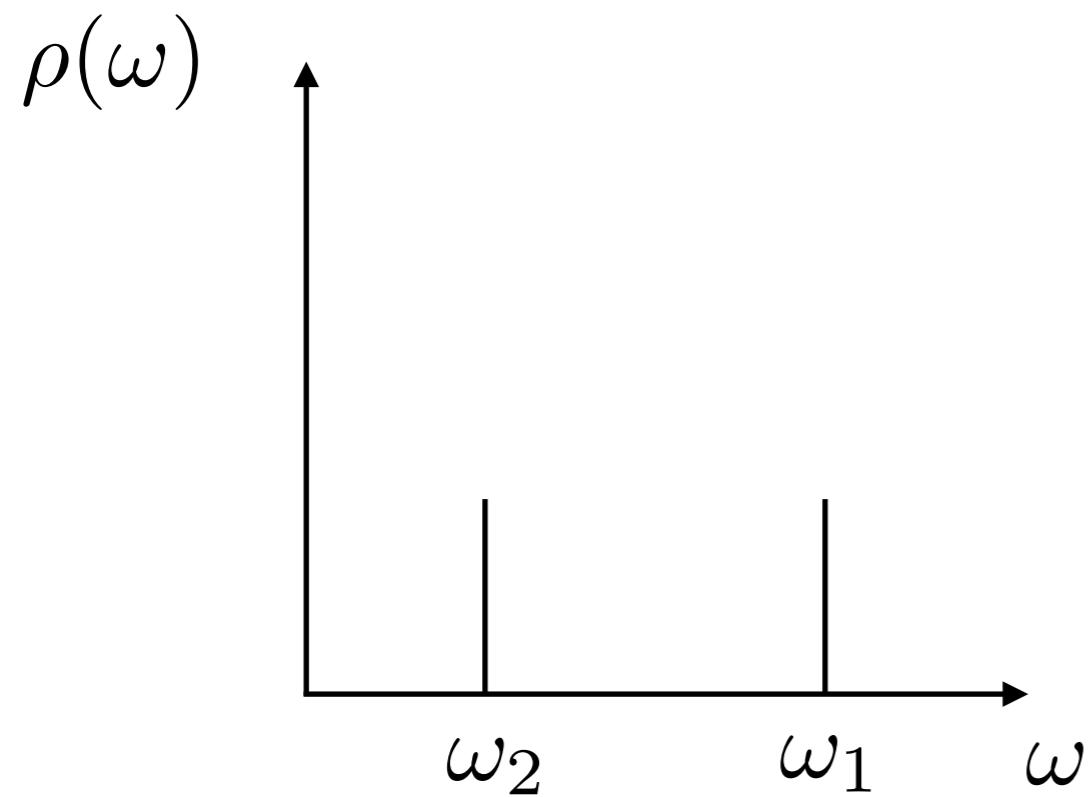


QPO

Multi-band  
Excitation

*Thanks for Your Attention*

# Continuum Limit



# Continuum Limit: Stability Diagram

