

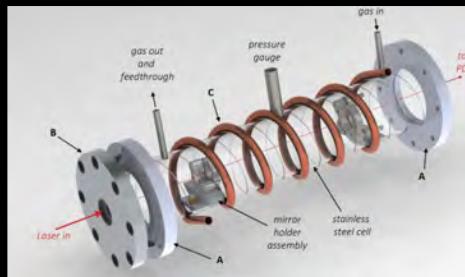
Mesures moléculaires de précision avec REFIMEVE

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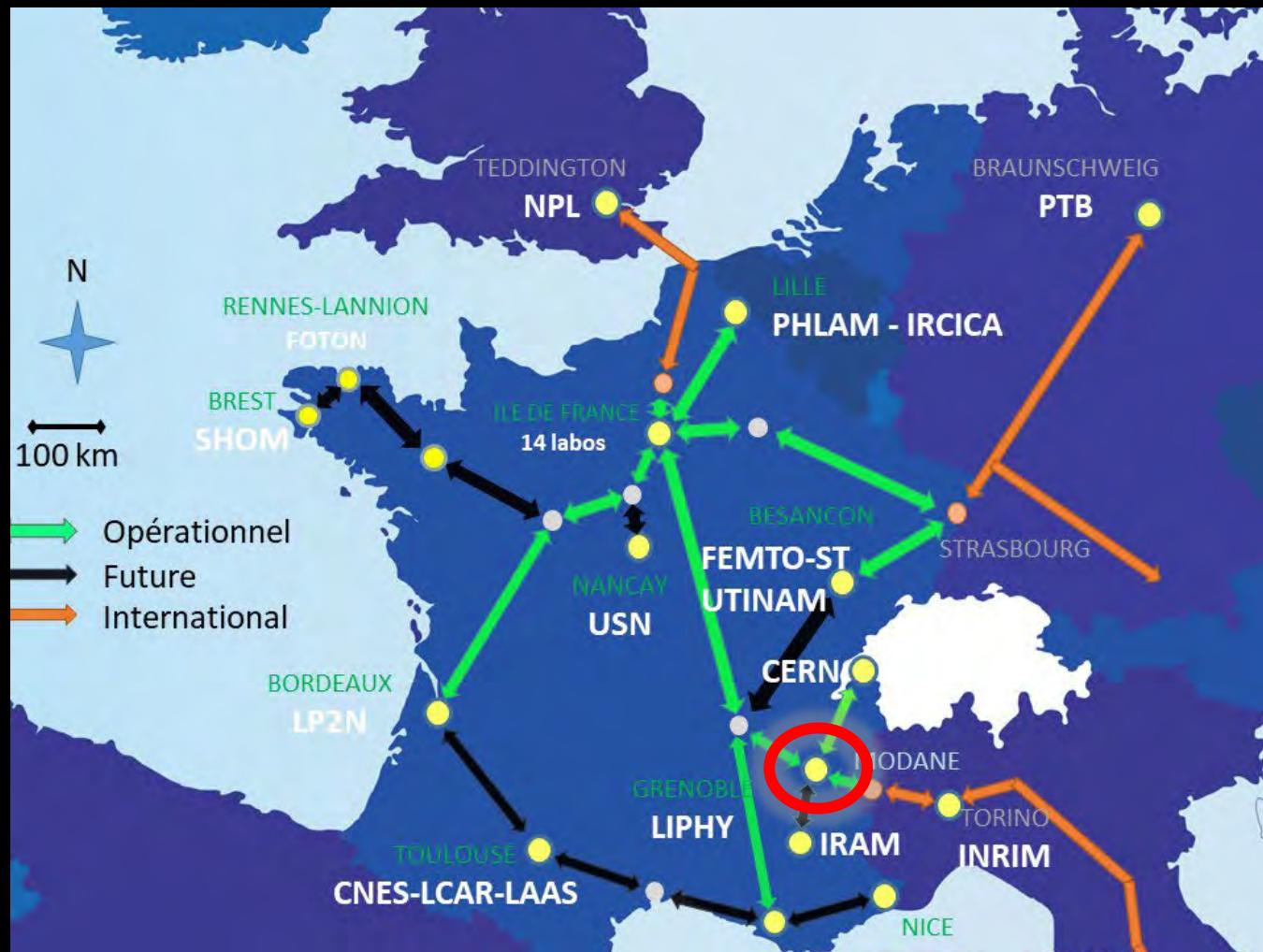


Comb-assisted CRDS
Coherence transfer



Ultra-precise reference

Beyond GPS standard



LIPhy is an important node of the network

LAME team activities

Gas phase molecular spectroscopy

Astrophysics,
exoplanets...

**Le télescope James Webb détecte
du CO₂ autour d'une exoplanète,
une première**

Ultra weak absorption

Trace gas detection

Fundamental physics

Molecular physics

Databases

Geoscience

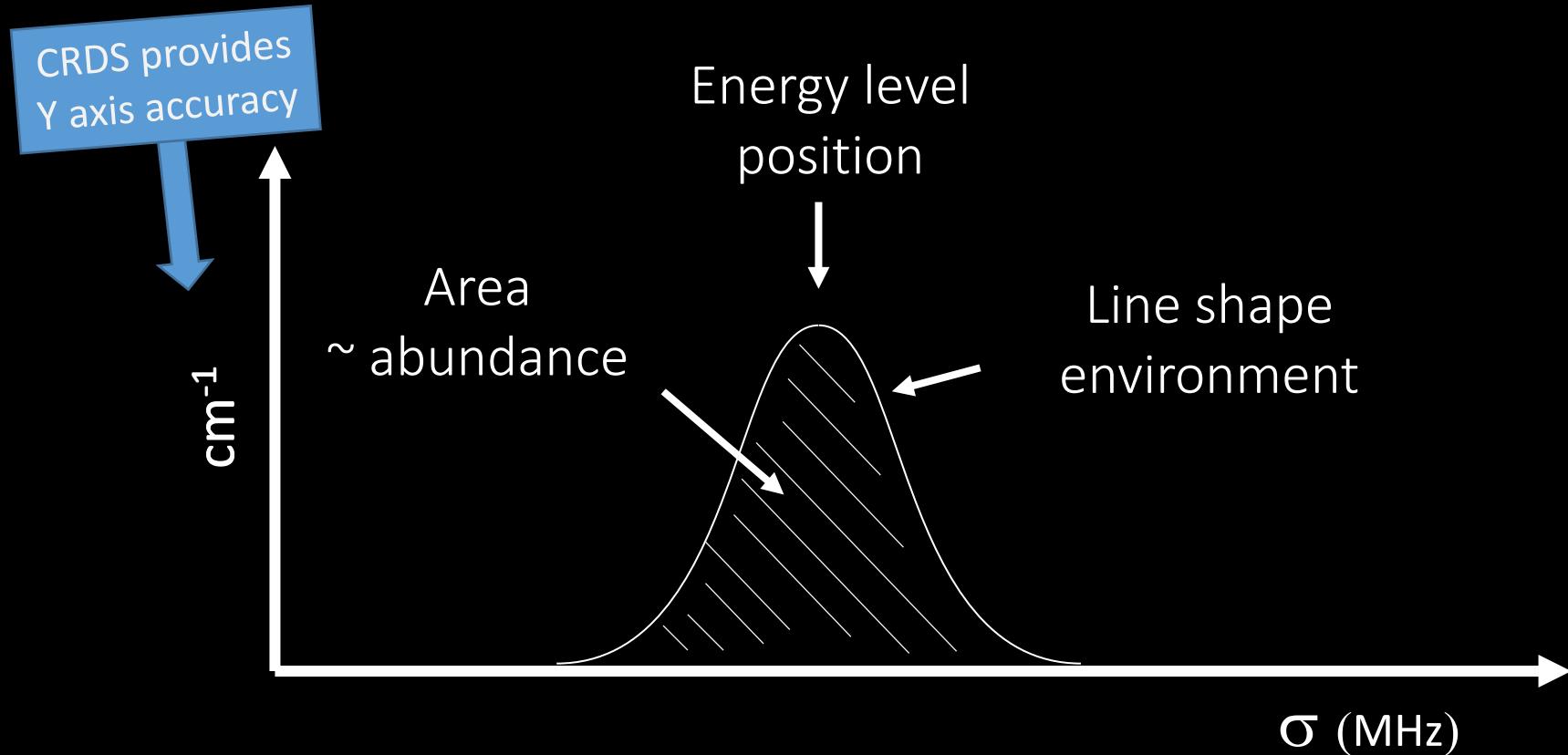
Spectroscopy is in the spotlight

International databases, tests for physics, trace gas, analytical spectrometry...



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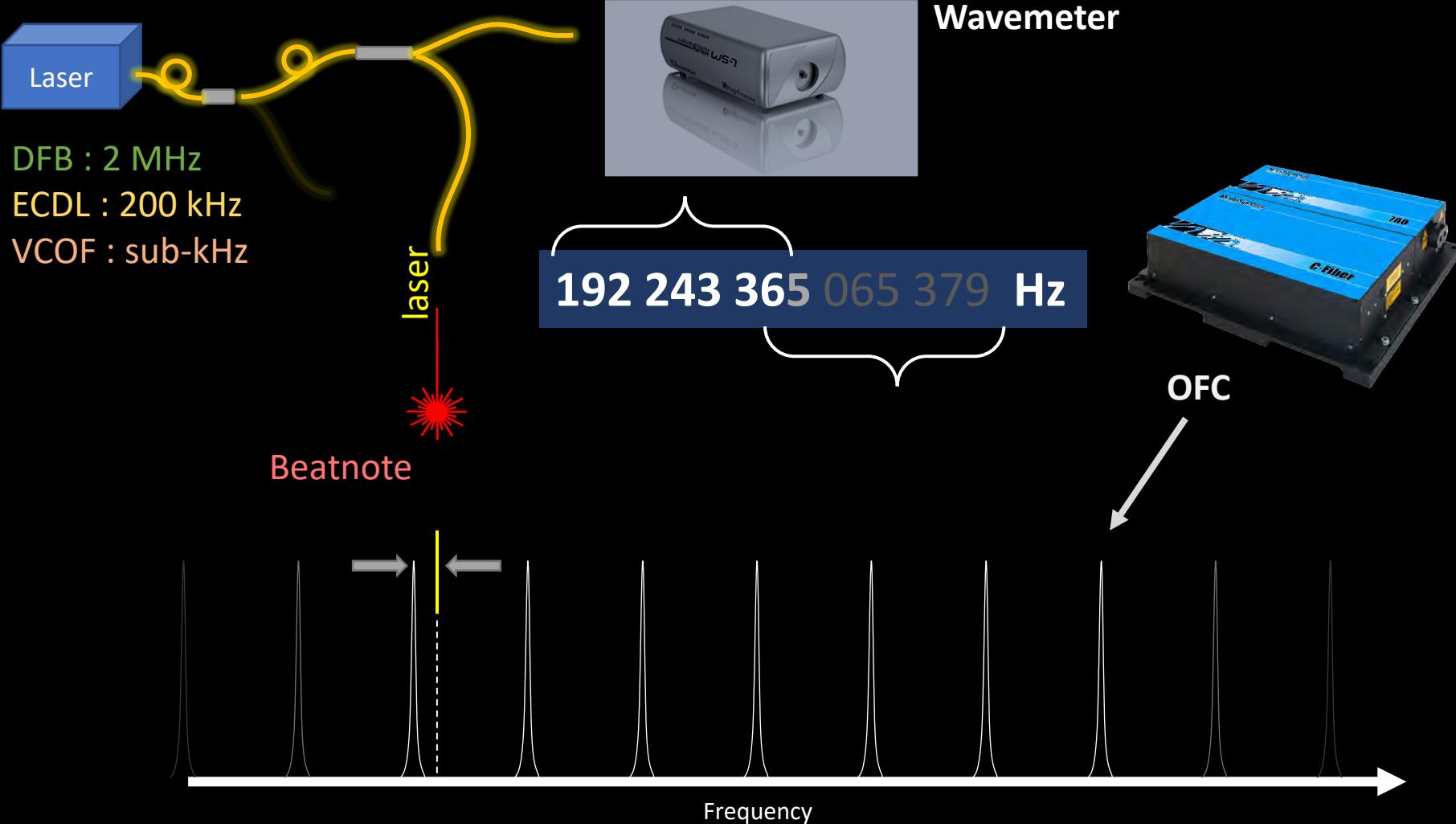
Providing high quality spectroscopic data



Frequency axis is essential !!!

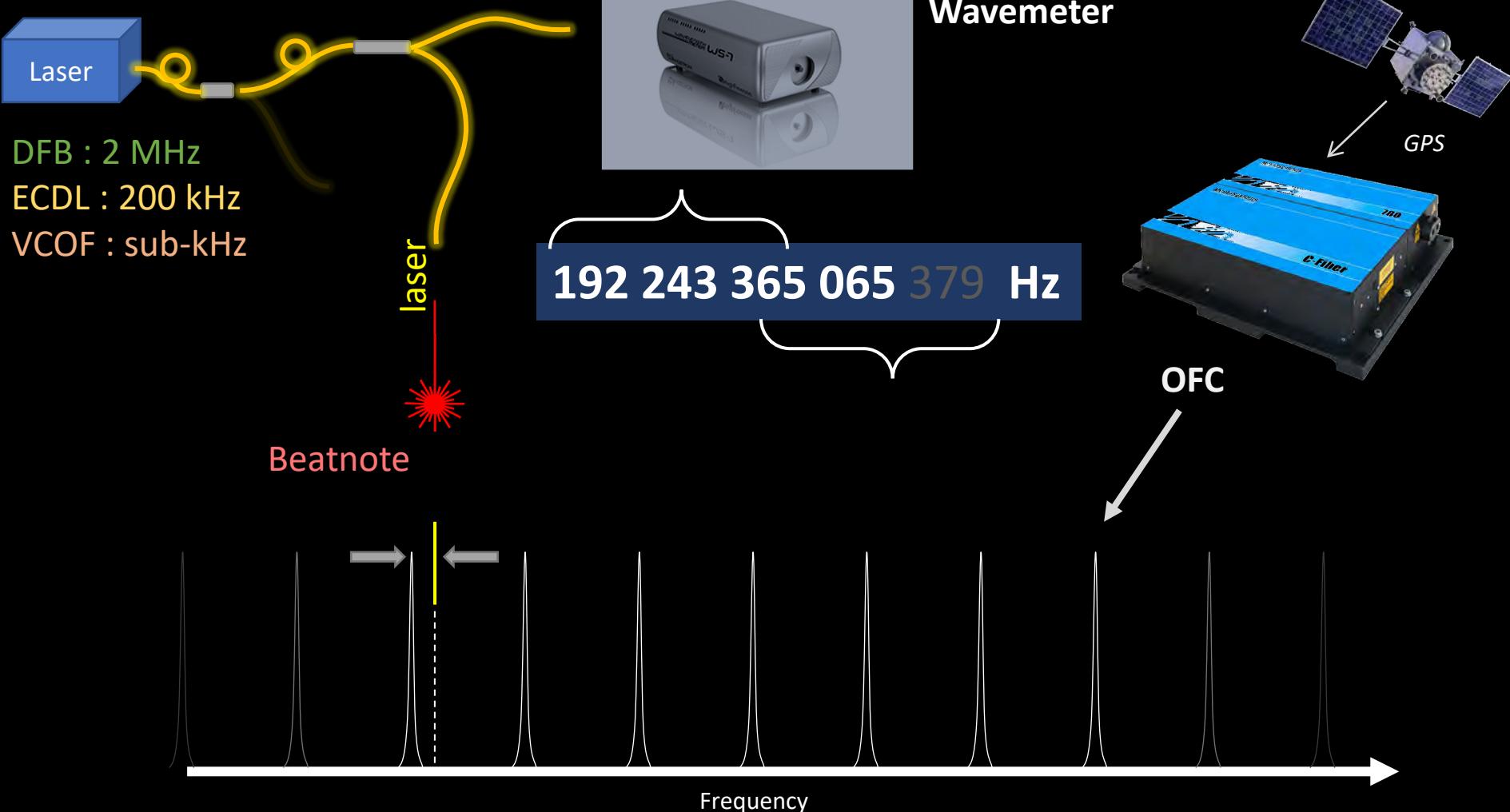
Absolute frequencies

Refining a coarse measurement



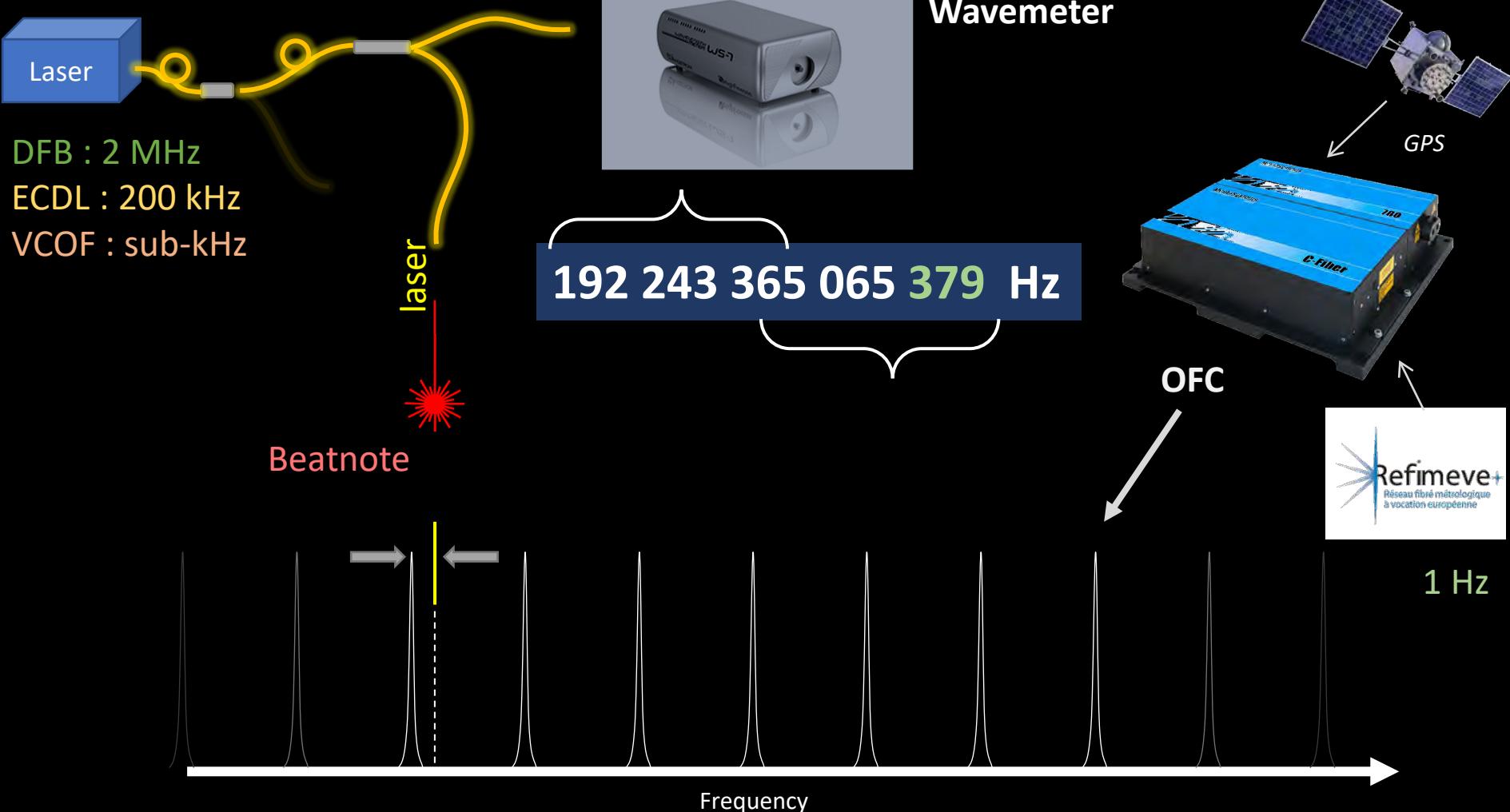
Absolute frequencies

Refining a coarse measurement



Absolute frequencies

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Laser absolute frequency determination down to a few Hz

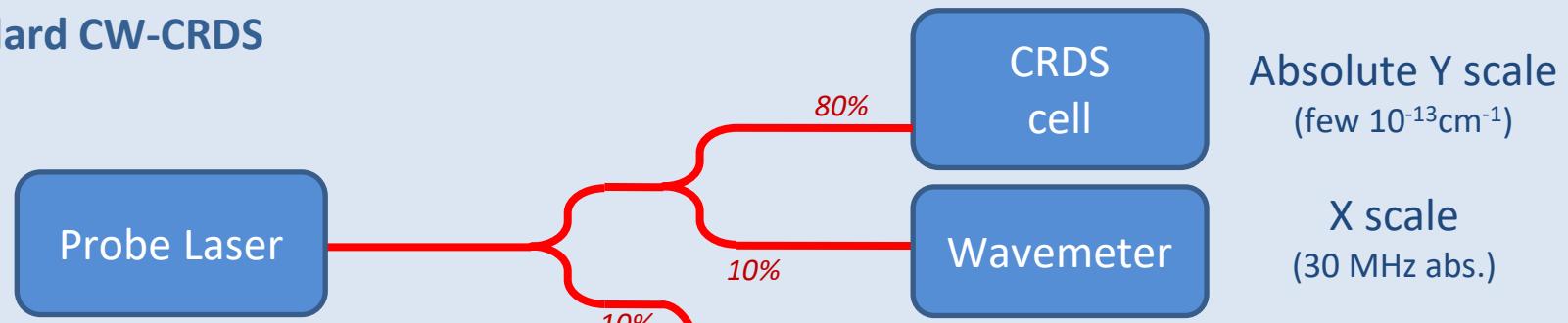
Part 1

The comb as a
frequency reference

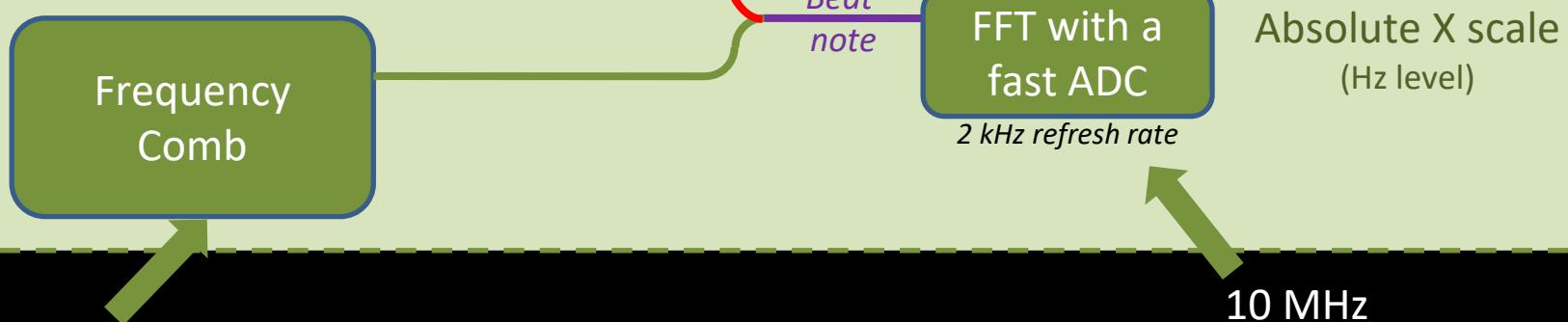
Absolute frequency calibration

Practical implementation

Standard CW-CRDS



X scale refinement



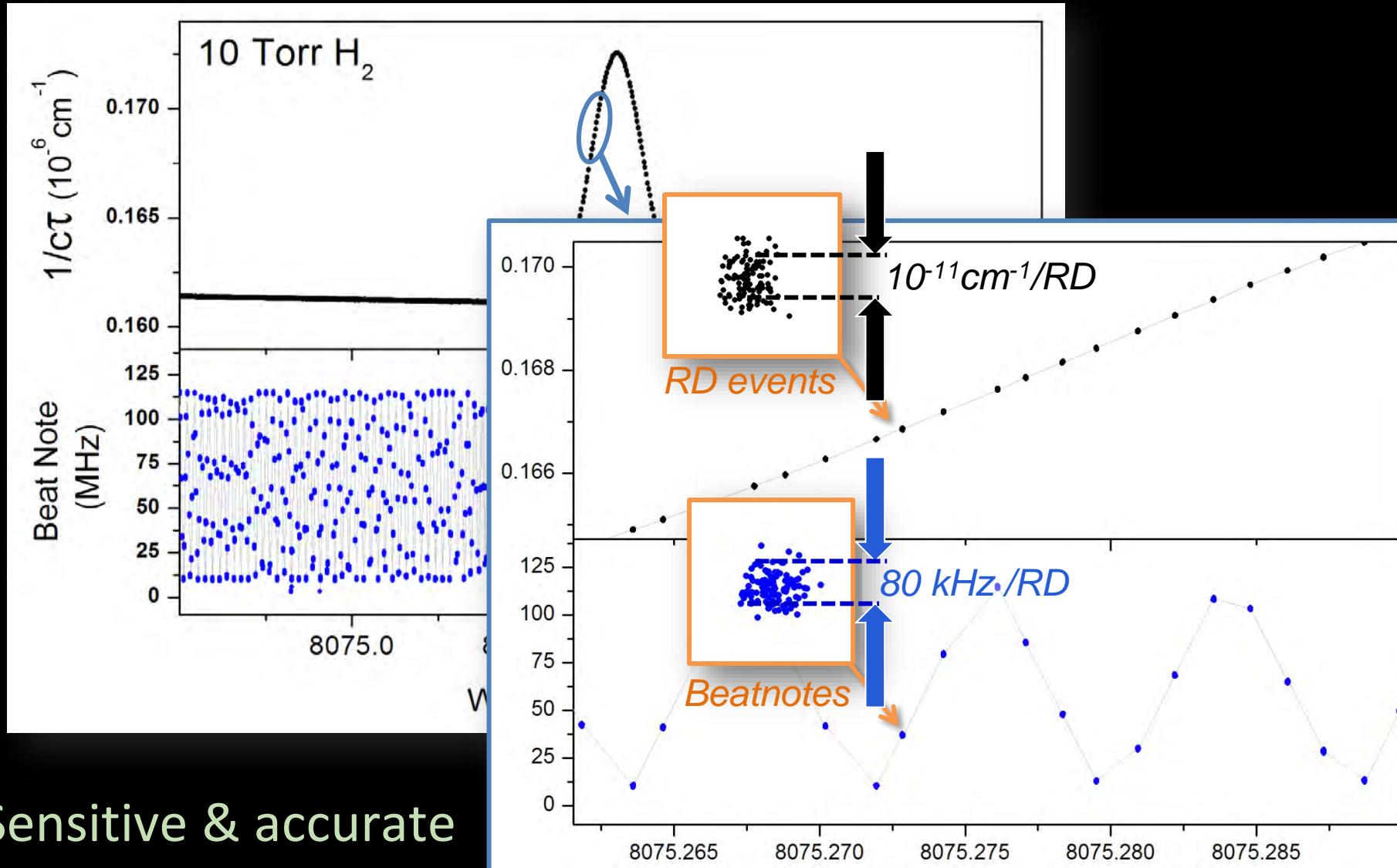
$f_{\text{rep}} & f_{\text{CEO}}$
stabilized

Absolute CRDS “on the fly”
(the laser is weakly locked)

10 MHz
referenced

On the fly calibration

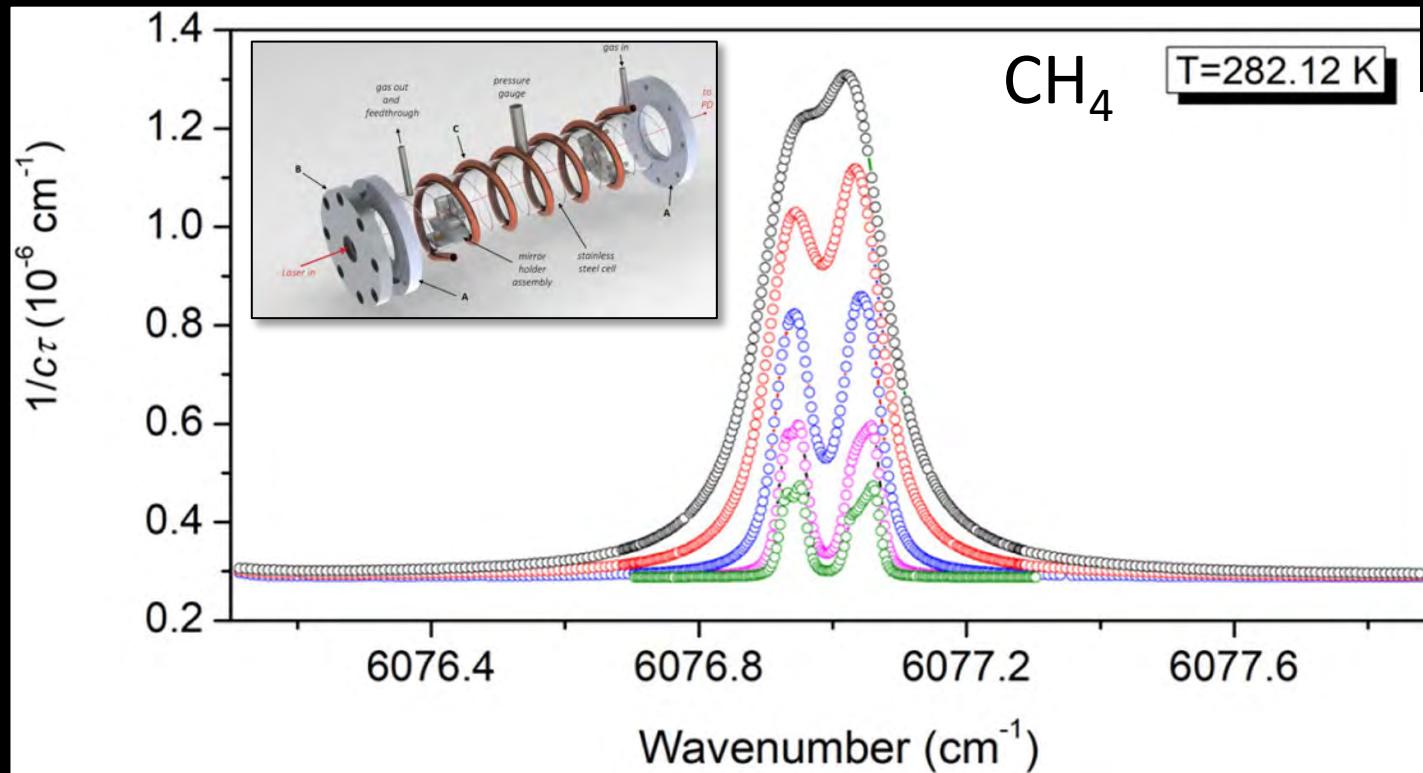
Performances with an ECDL



Sensitive & accurate

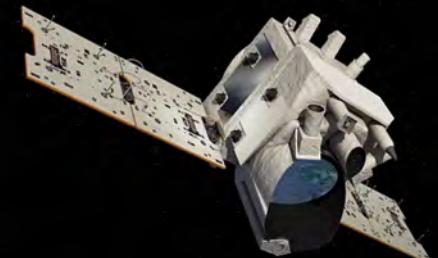
On the fly calibration

Performances with a “VCOF” source



CH_4

$T=282.12 \text{ K}$



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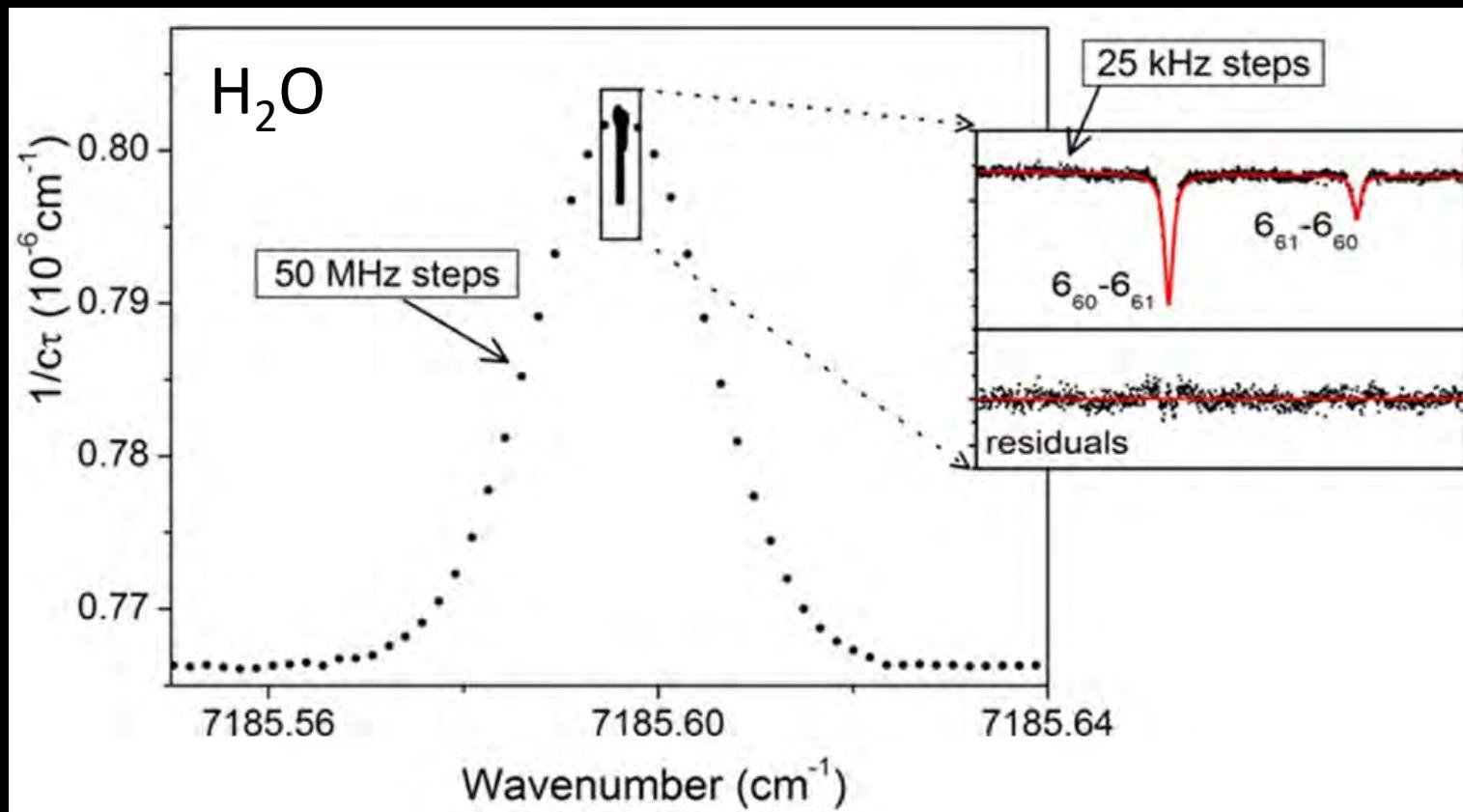
Ultra-stable
VCOF source

This methane $2\nu_3 R(6)$ manifold is of importance for earth atmosphere probing

Precise lineprofiles

On the fly calibration

Performances with a “VCOF” source



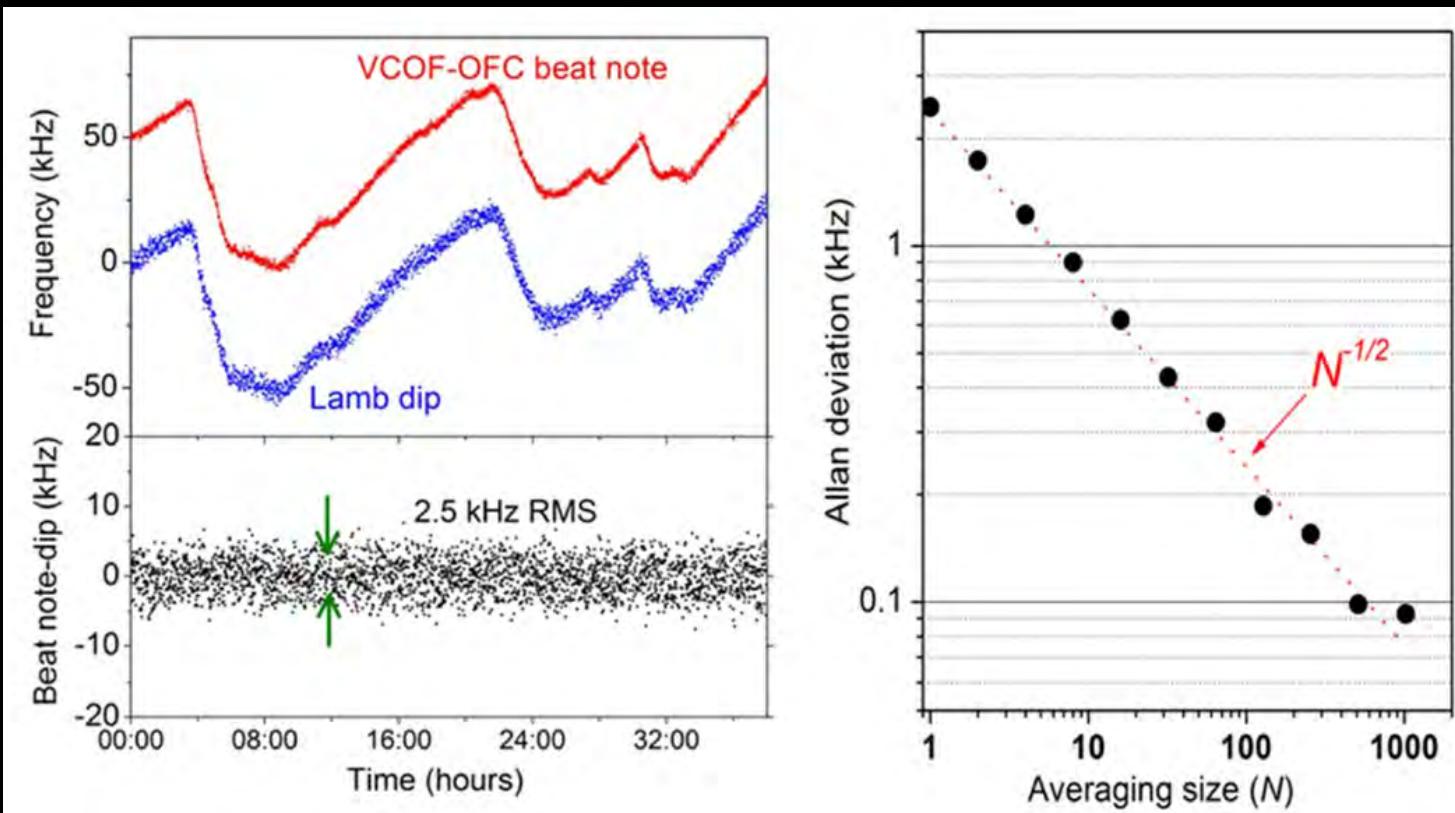
Saturated absorption



Ultra-stable
VCOF source

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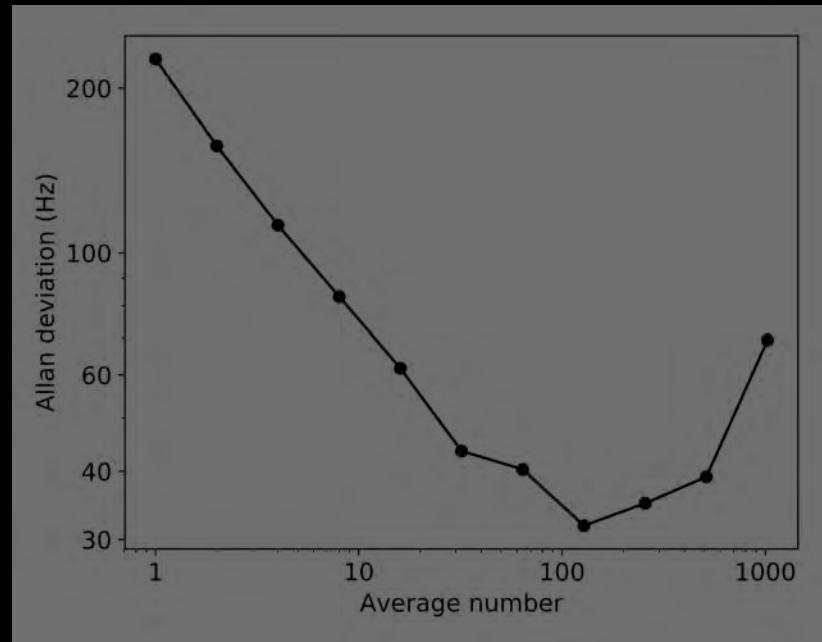
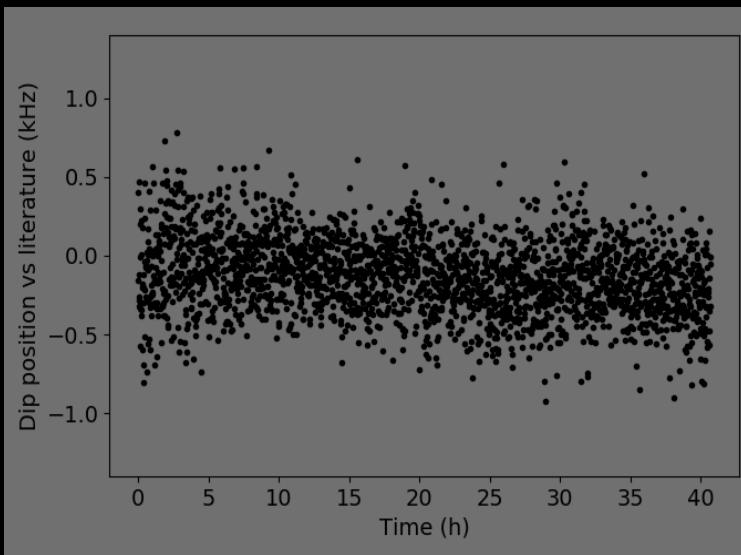
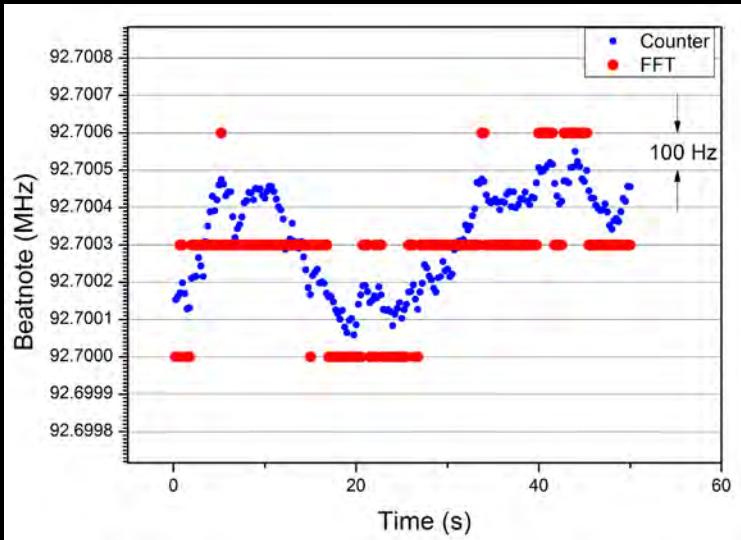
Comb f_{rep} locked to GPS



Ultra-stable
VCOF source

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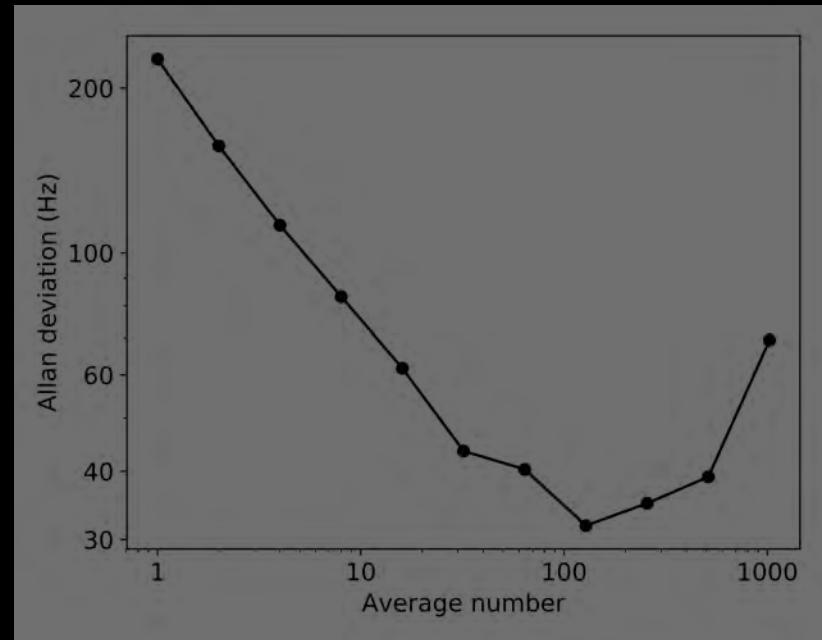
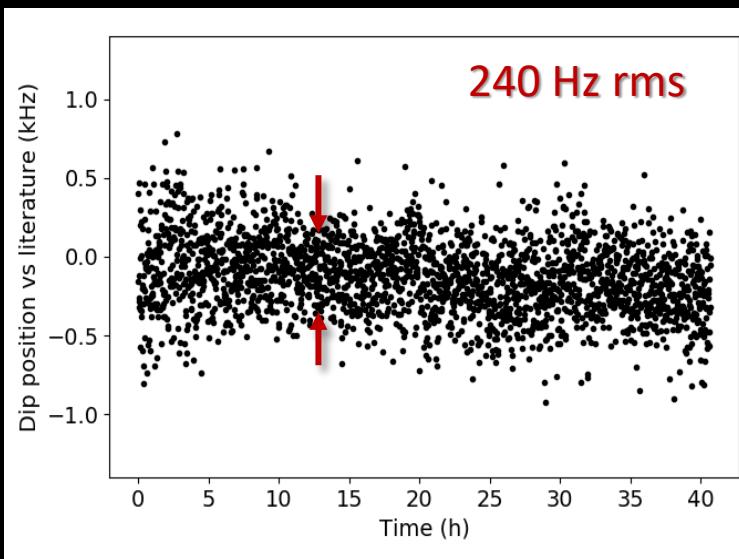
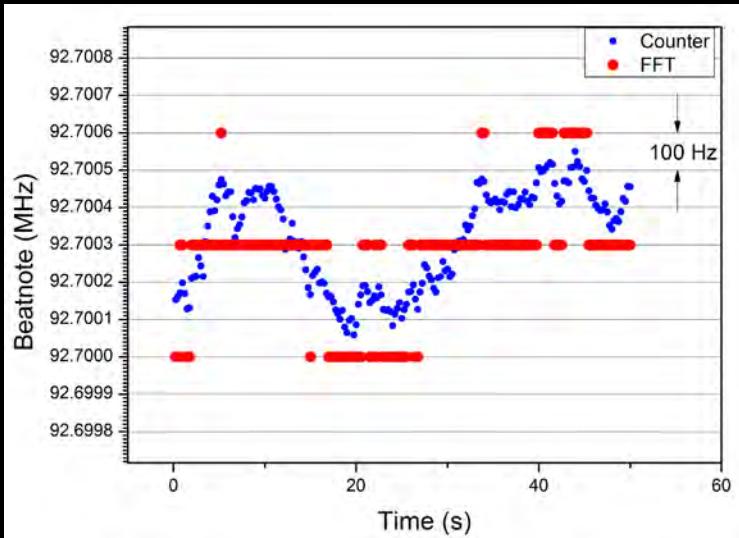
Performances with a “VCOF” source **with REFIMEVE**



Comb f_{rep} locked to REFIMEVE

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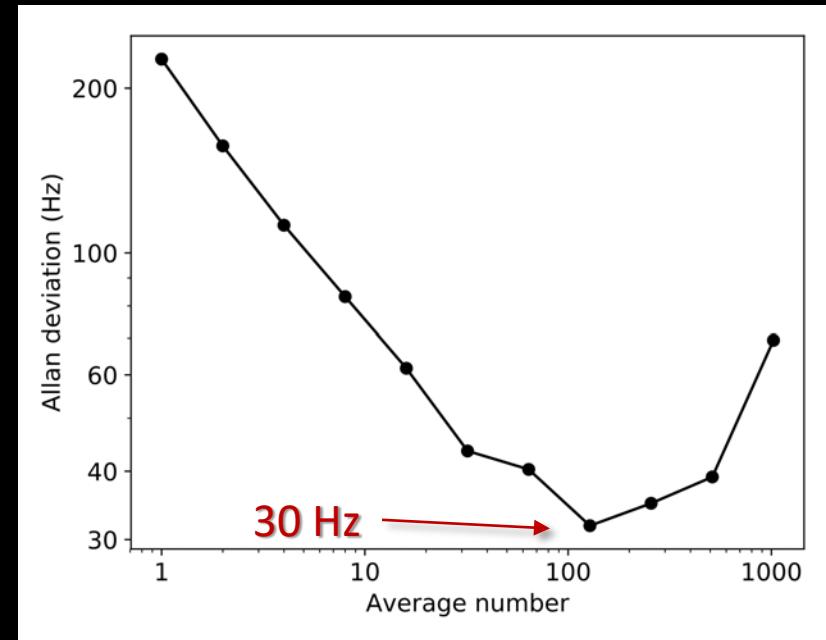
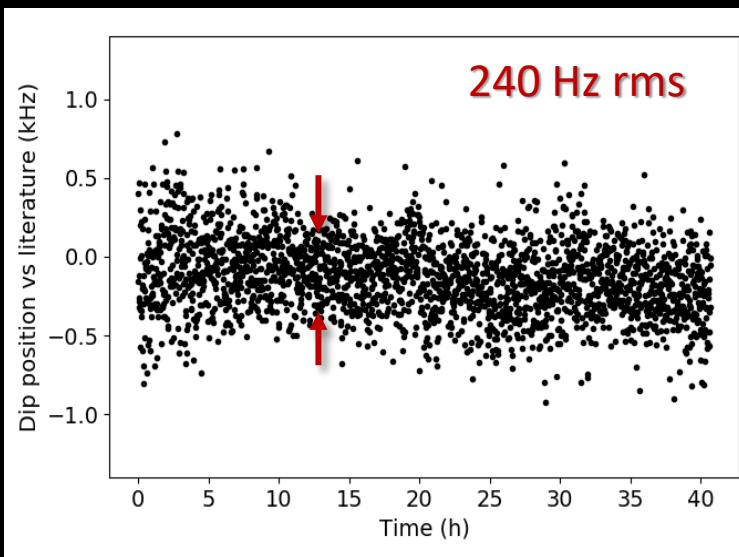
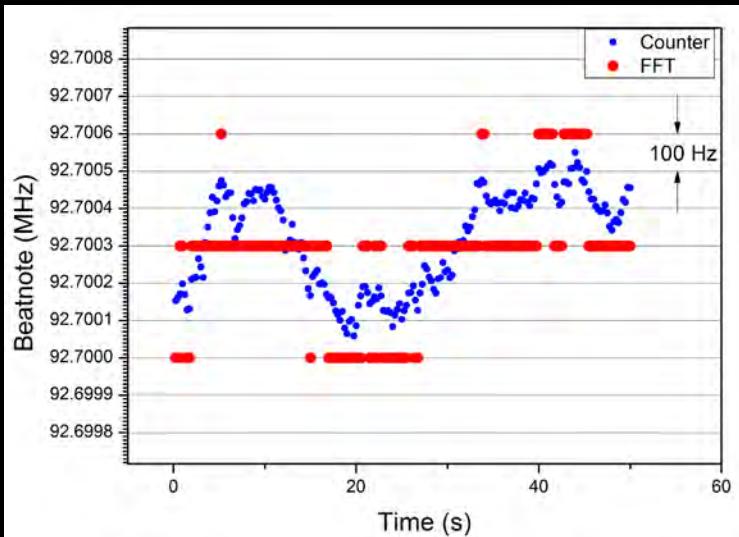
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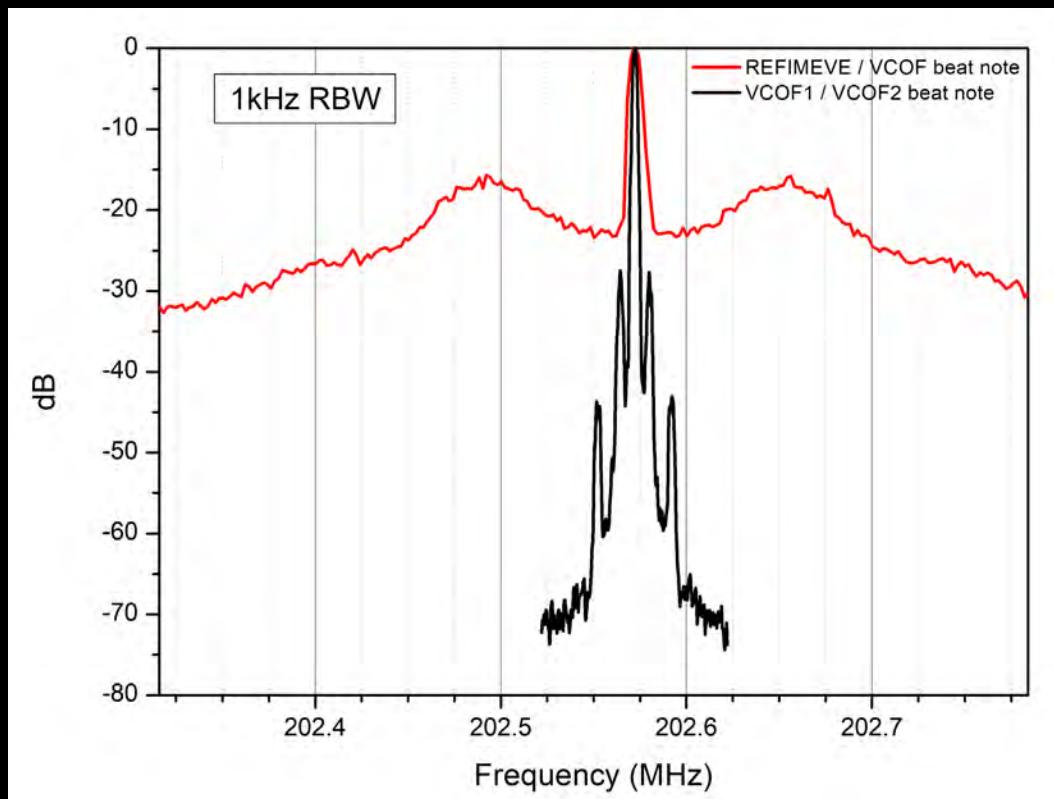
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Comb f_{rep} locked to REFIMEVE

REFIMEVE signal at LIPhy

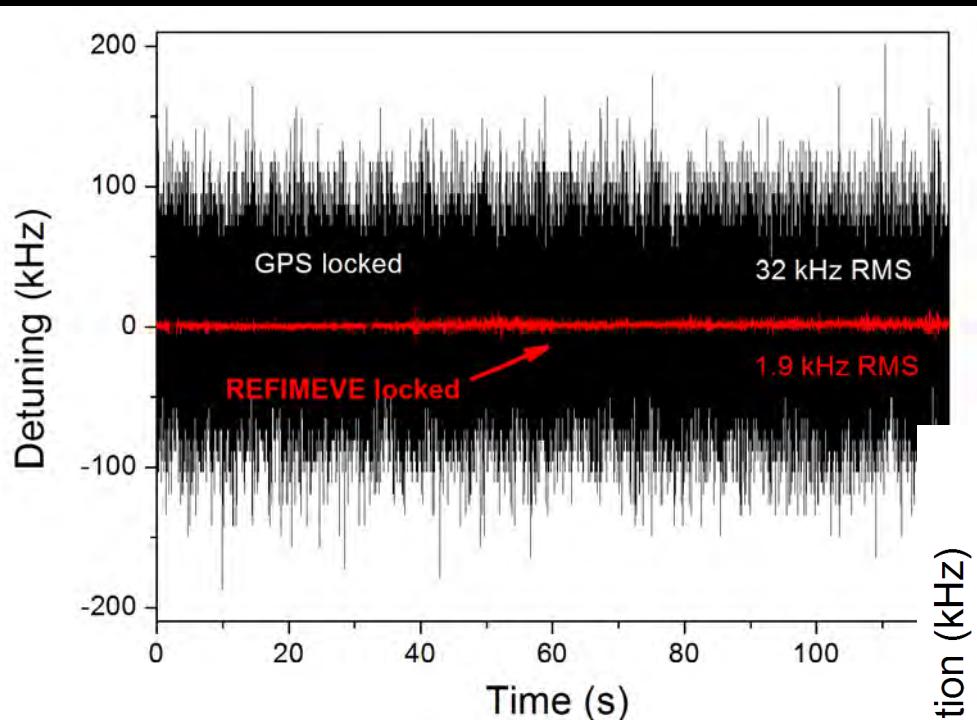
Beat note with sub-kHz VCOF source



REFIMEVE signal
as received at LIPhy
is typically \sim 6 kHz wide

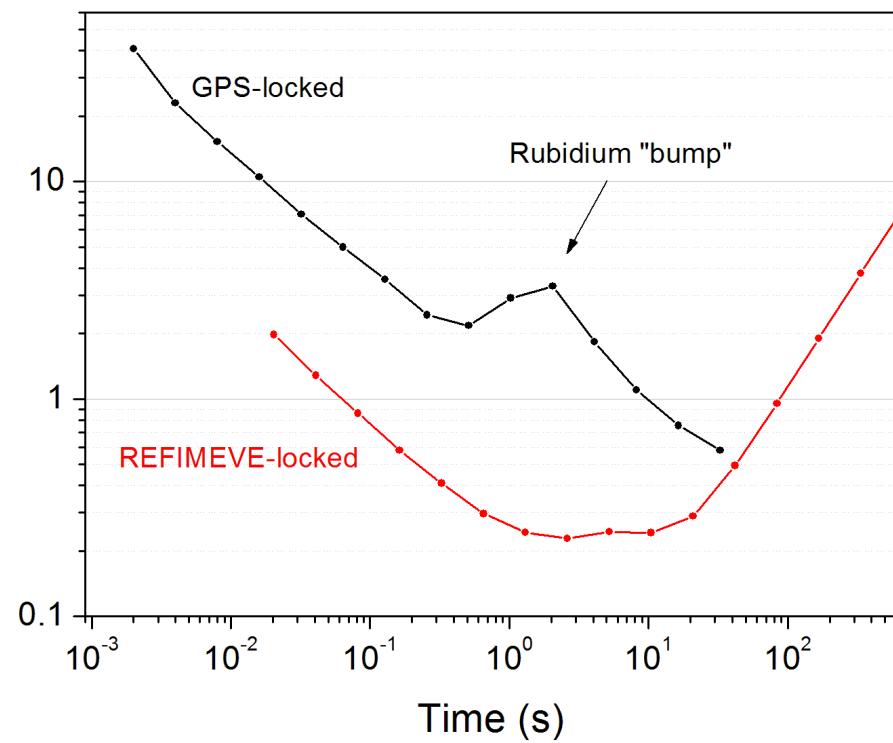
REFIMEVE signal at LIPhy

Comparison to GPS comb lock



Narrower comb
spectral width

Allan deviation (kHz)

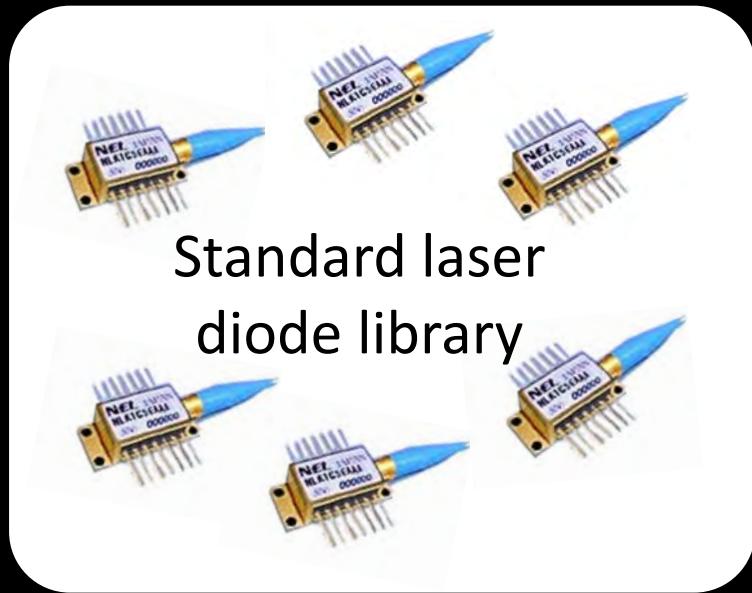


Time (s)

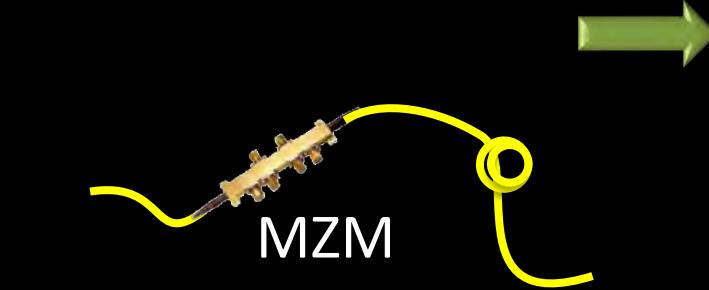
Part 2

The comb as a source of
master frequencies

Coherence transfer (feed-forward)



2 MHz linewidth



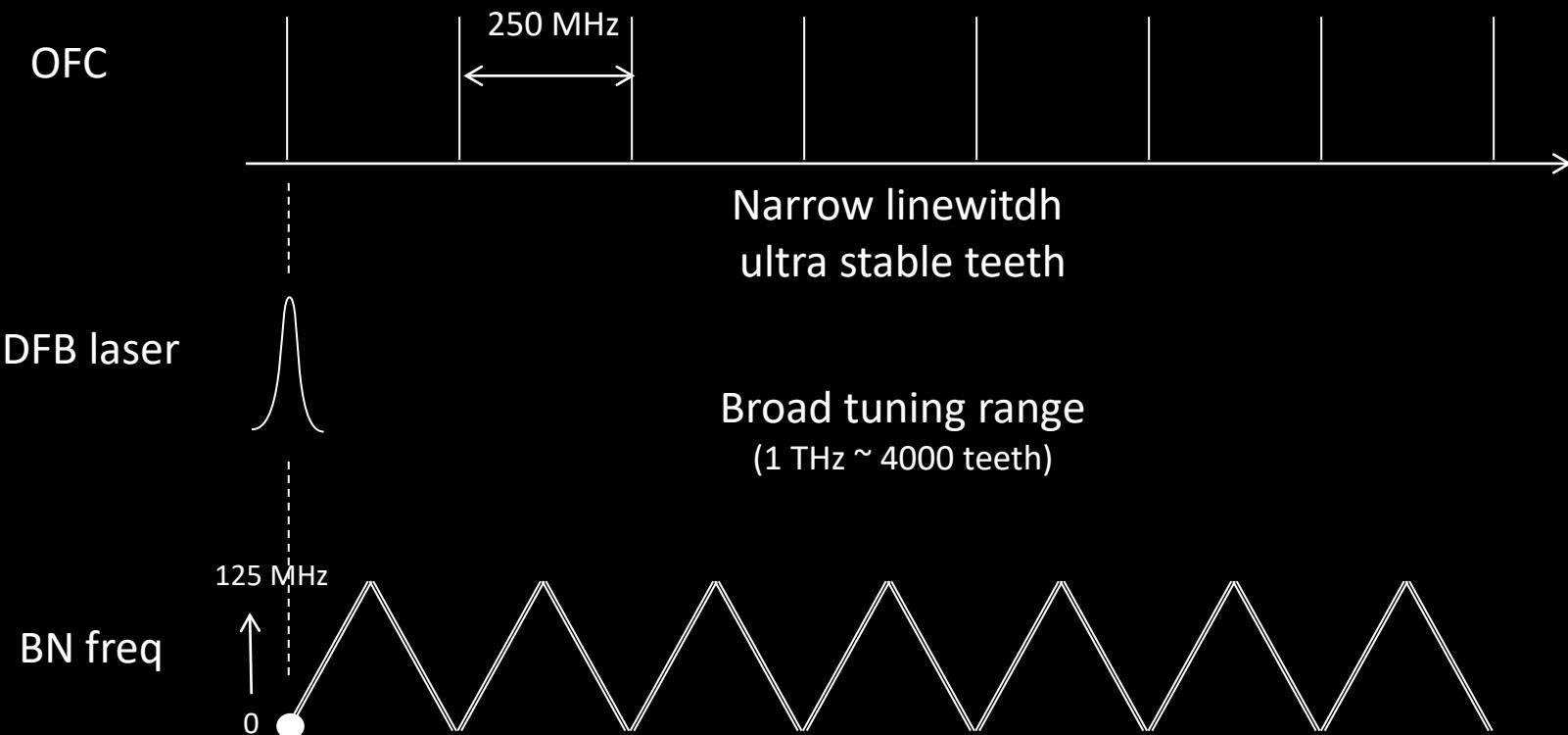
Tunable narrow laser



Transfer single tooth comb quality to your standard laser

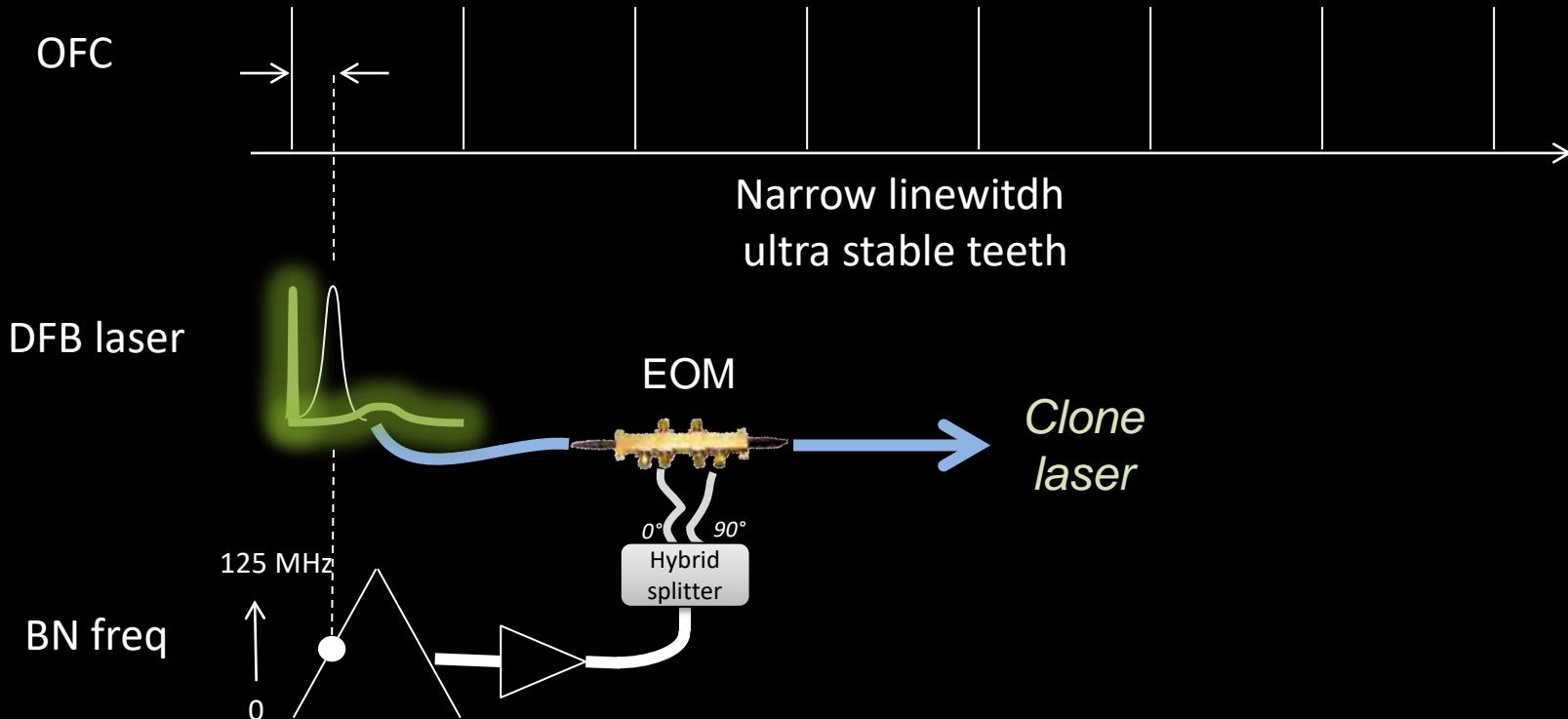
Phase cloning of an OFC tooth

Feed-forward



Phase cloning of an OFC tooth

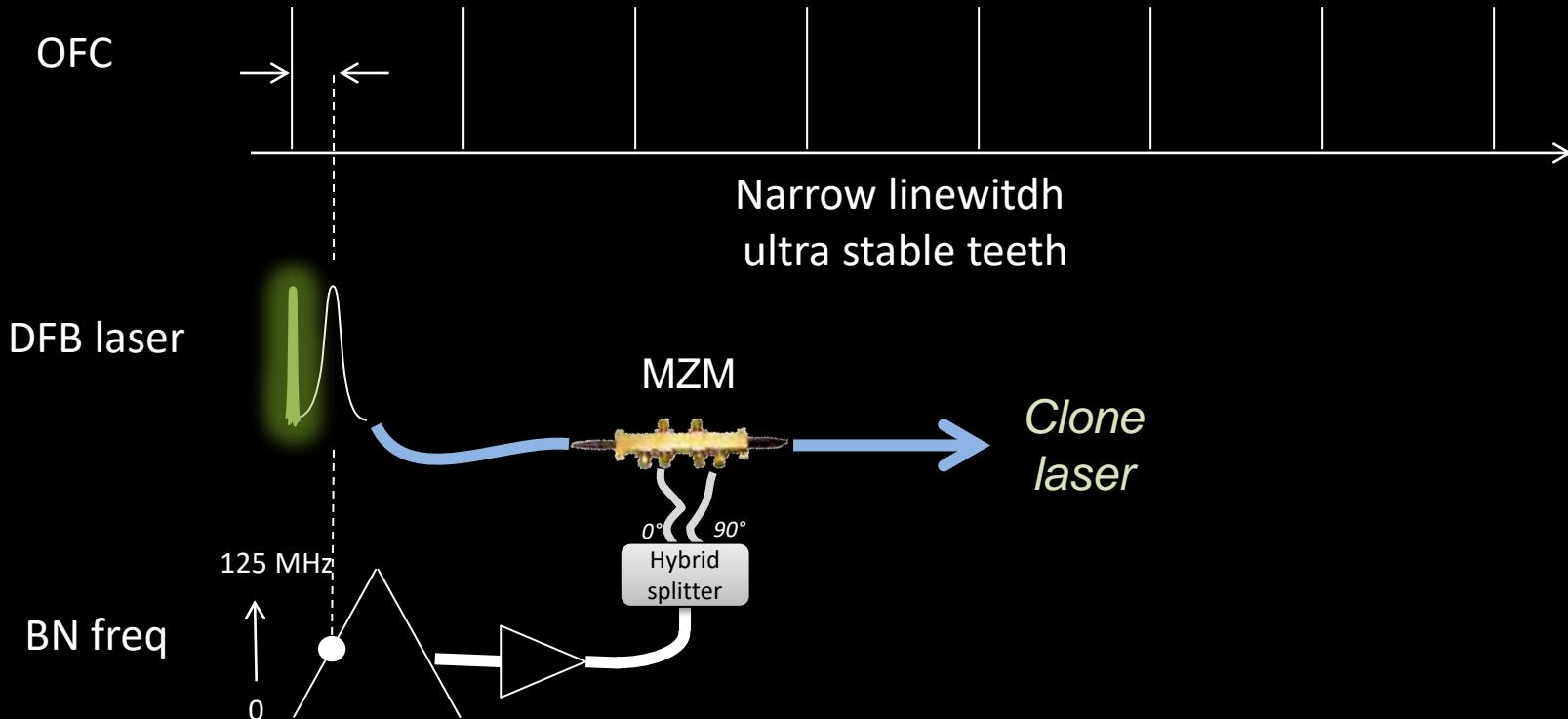
Feed-forward



*Applying phase cloning
Narrow laser at OFC tooth frequency*

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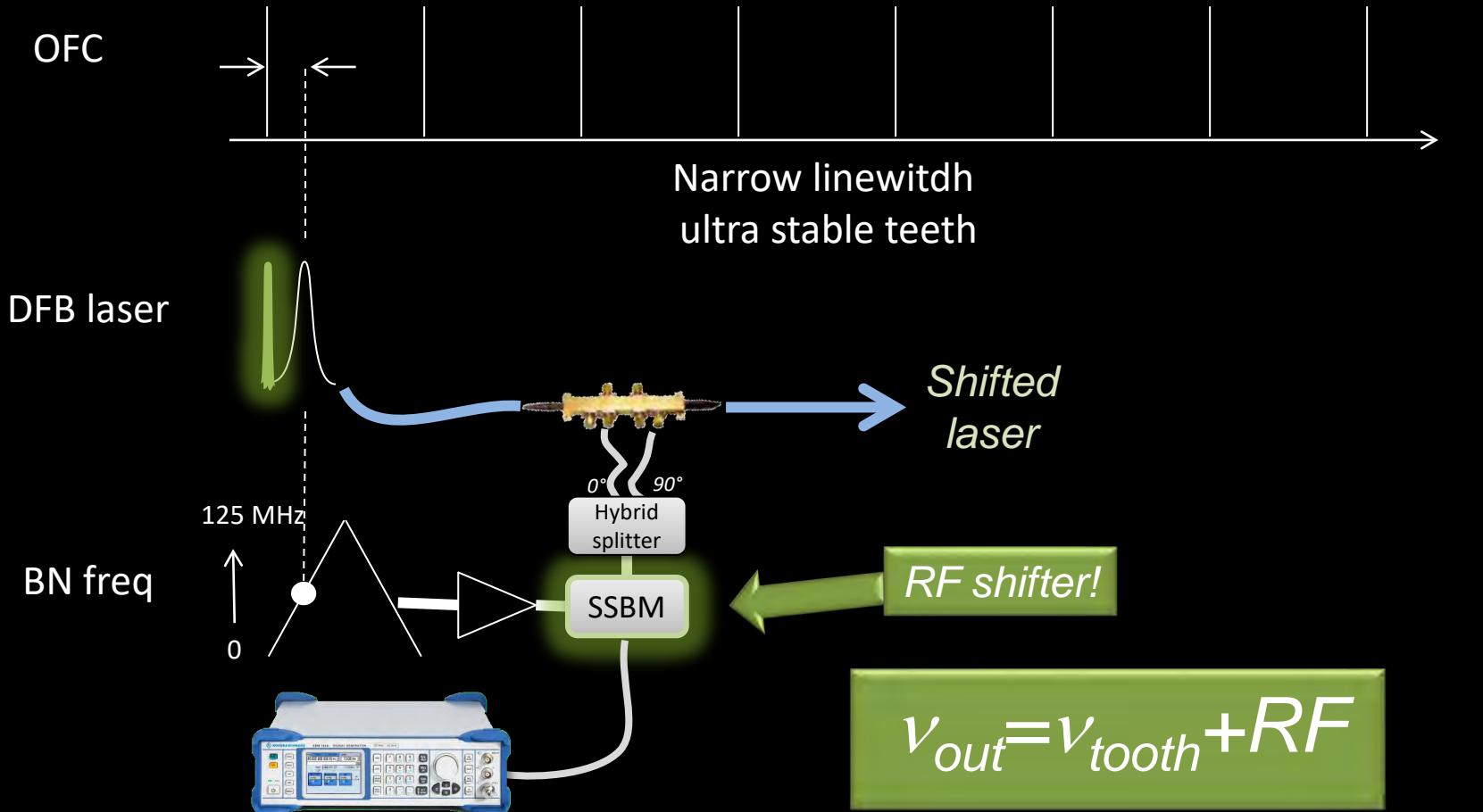
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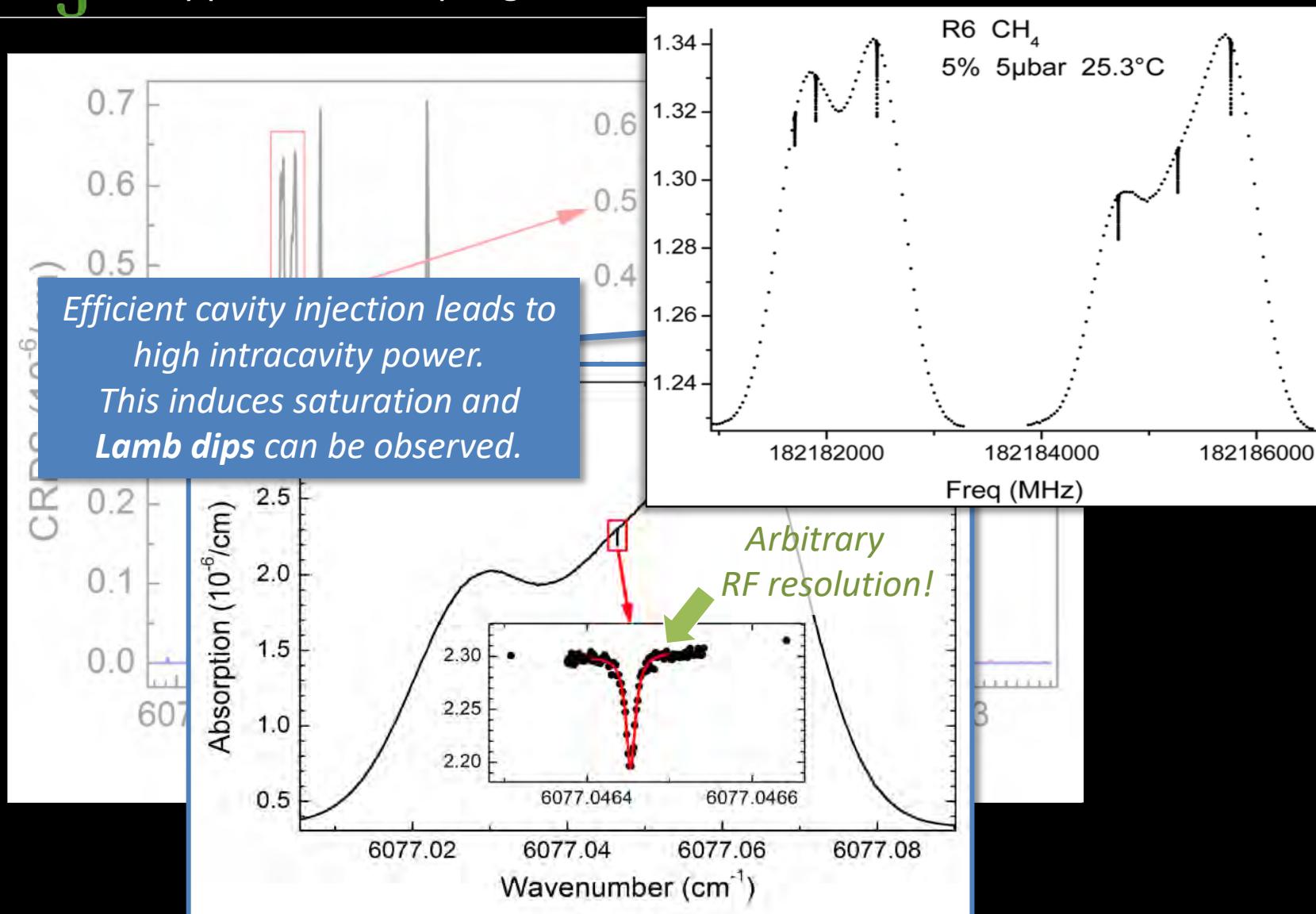
Feed-forward with RF shift



Narrow and widely tunable laser

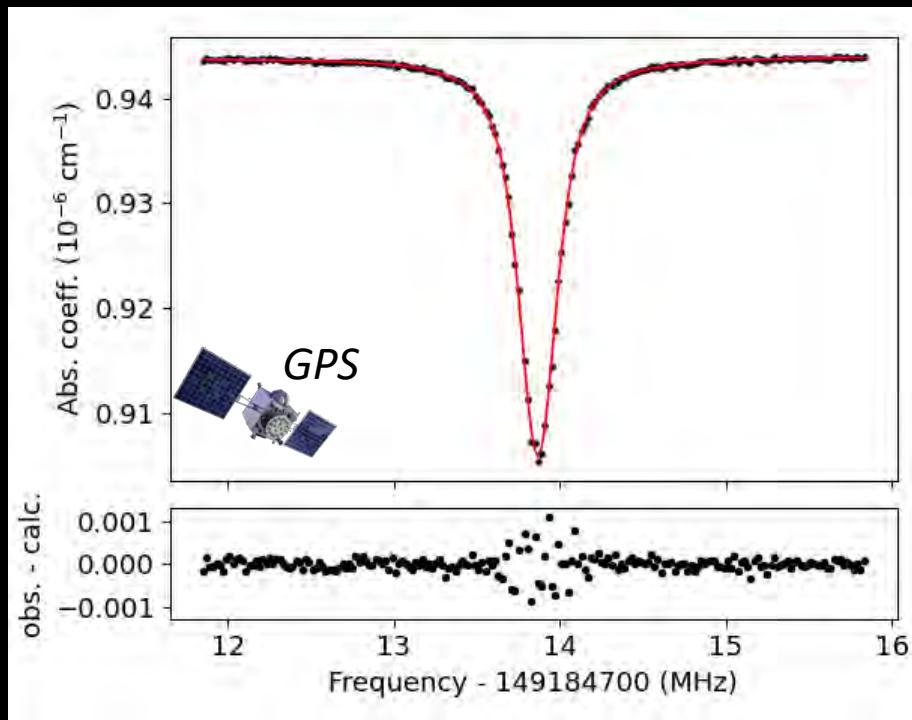
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Application: coupling to CRDS

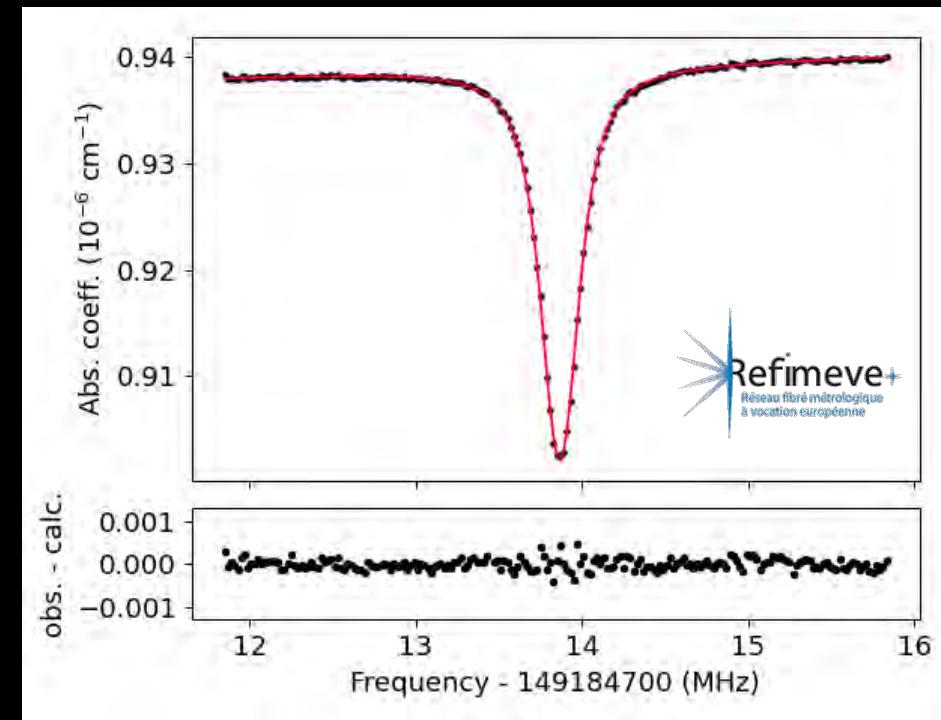


REFIMEVE vs GPS comb lock

Illustration with CO₂ Lamb dip



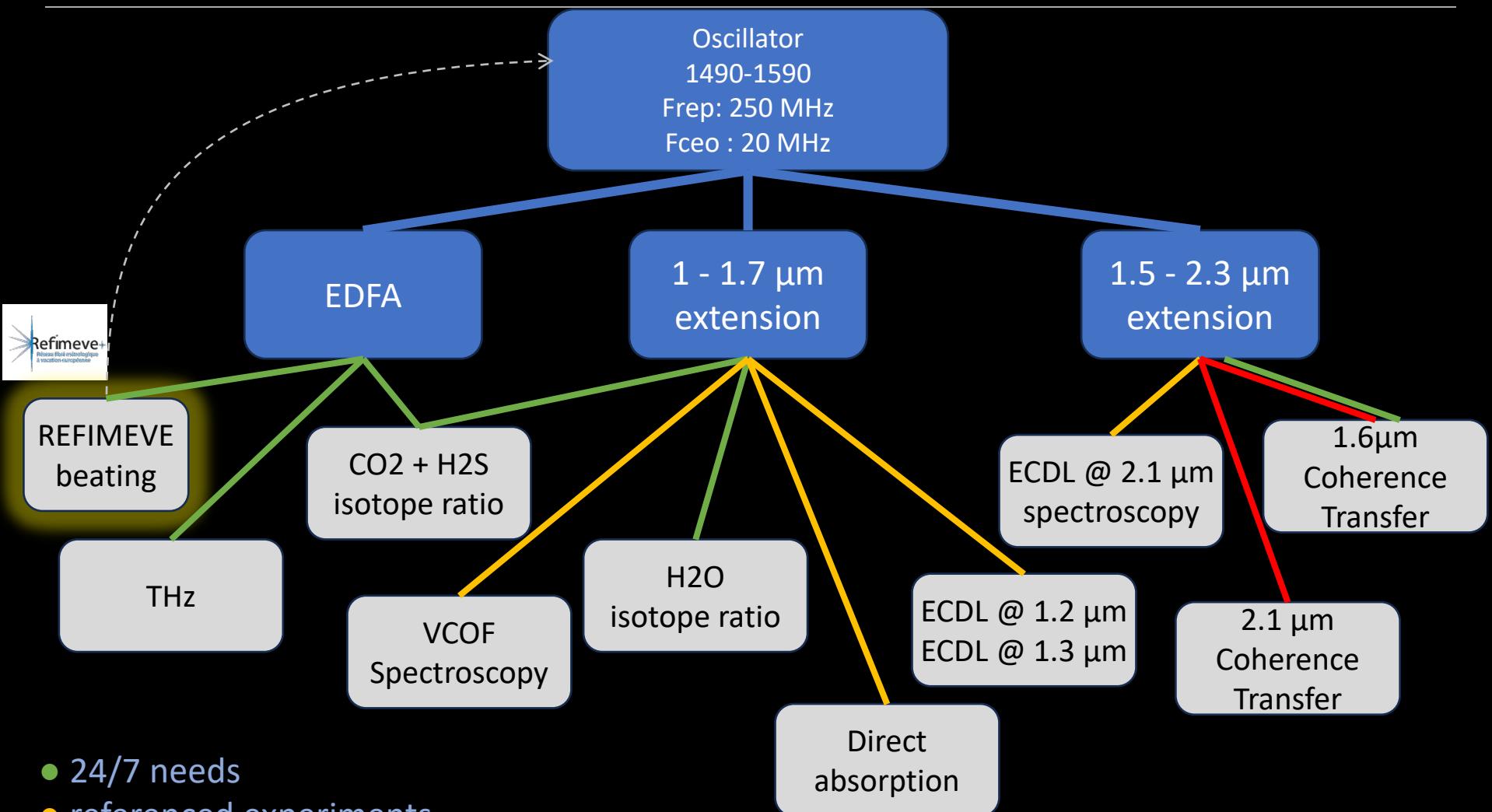
Excess noise on dip betrays
larger laser linewidth



Better SNR with Refimeve

Signal distribution

Highly exploited OFC comb



- 24/7 needs
- referenced experiments
- Linewidth critical experiments

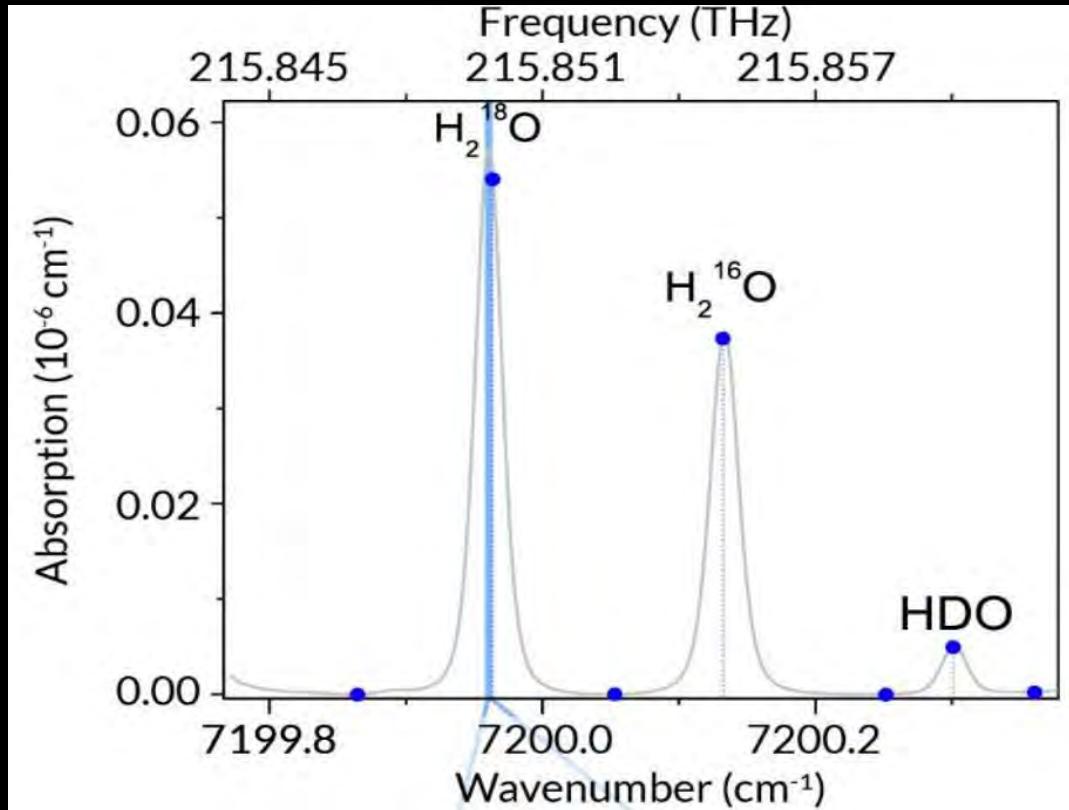
Note: all experiments are comb linewidth dependent

Application to geoscience

Water isotopic ratio measurements



LSCE



Paleoclimate
study in
polar regions



Ultra-stable
VCOF source

The OFC permits to correct for frequency drift

Long term stability and accuracy

Thank you for your attention!

