

R&D activity at LMA

M. Granata, L. Balzarini, G. Cagnoli, J. Degallaix, V. Dolique,
R. Flaminio, D. Forest, C. Michel, R. Pedurand, L. Pinard, J. Teillon

in collaboration with

E. Cesarini, M. Lorenzini

*Università degli Studi di Roma Tor Vergata
INFN Tor Vergata*

D. Heinert, R. Nawrodt

Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena

F. Piergiovanni

Università degli Studi di Urbino Carlo Bo

F. Aguilar Sandoval , L. Bellon, M. Geitner, T. Li

Ecole Normale Supérieure de Lyon

B. Champagnon, D. De Ligny, C. Martinet, V. Martinez

Institut Lumière Matière

outline

- thermo-elastic damping of Si disks
- direct measurement of coating thermal noise
- coating structure and mechanical loss

thermo-elastic damping of Si disks

unexpected results

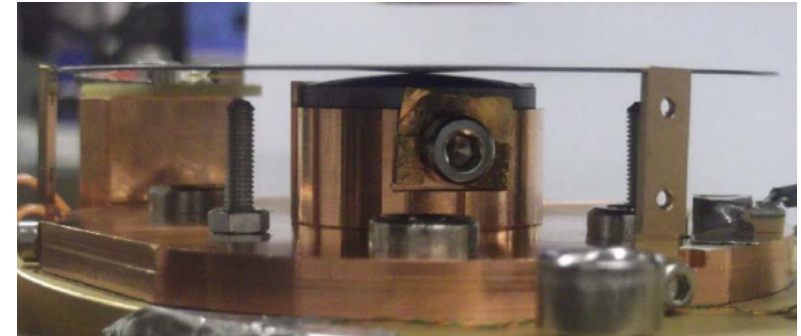
Si disks used for coating characterization

- Gentle Nodal Suspension (GeNS)

Cesarini & al., *Rev. Sci. Instrum.* 80, 2009

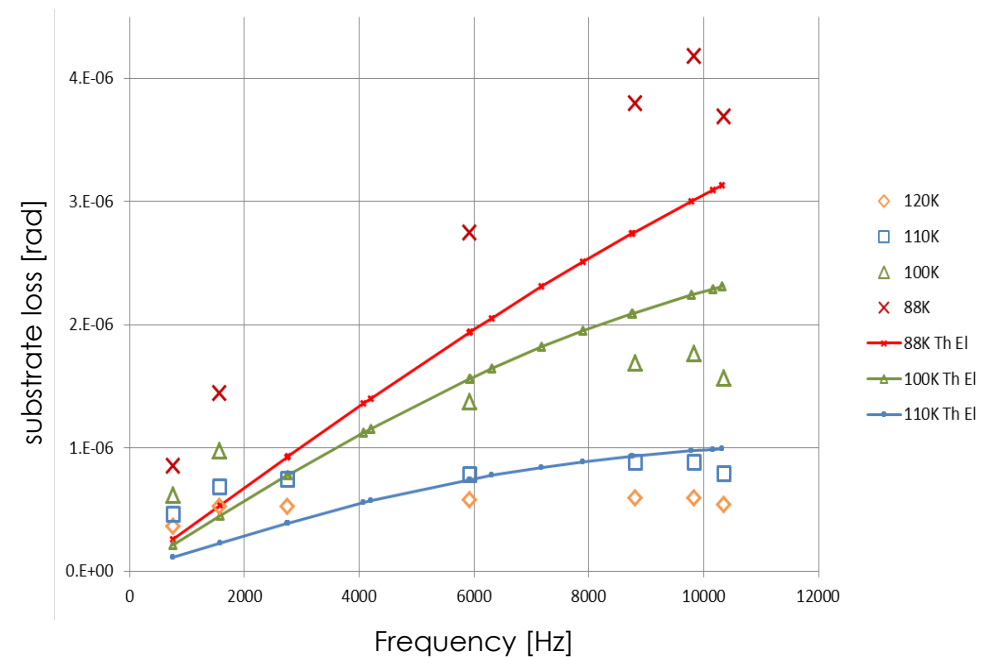
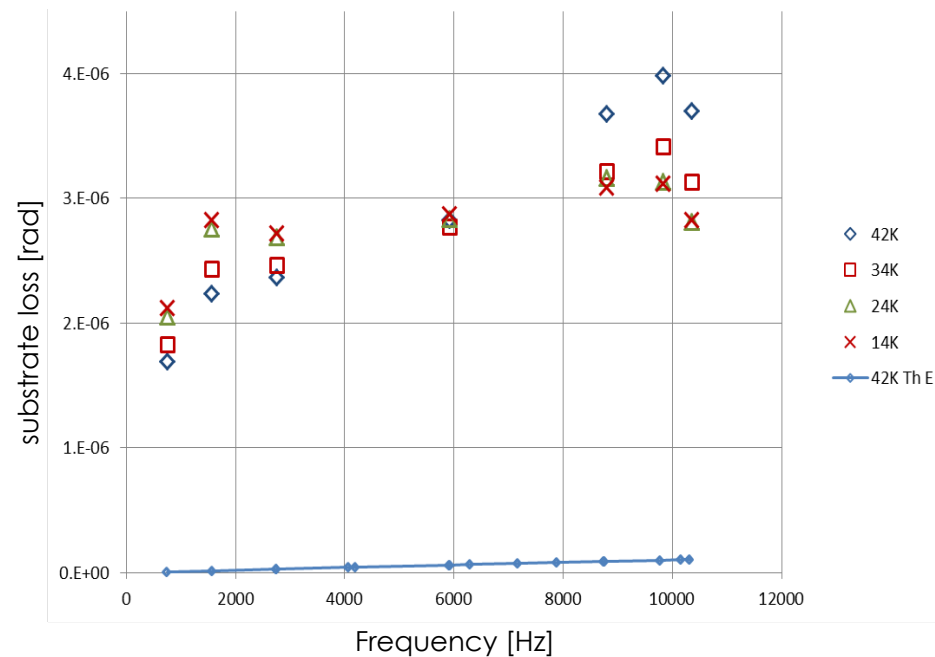
Cesarini & al., *Class. Quantum Grav.* 27, 2010

R. Flaminio & al., *GWADW*, Elba, 2013



- isotropic thermoelastic loss does not explain the measured loss

M. Granata & al., *GWADW*, Elba, 2013



models

- isotropic material
- developed mainly for MEMS
- from beams to disks

Lifshitz & Roukes, *Phys. Rev. B* 61, 2000

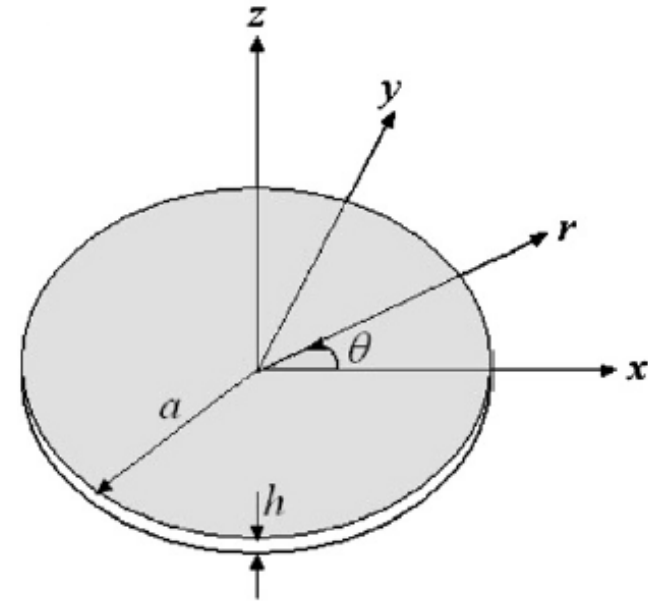
Sun & Tohmyoh, *J. Sound Vib.* 319, 2009

$$Q^{-1} = 2 \left| \frac{\text{Im}(\omega)}{\text{Re}(\omega)} \right|$$

$$D \nabla^2 \nabla^2 w_0 + D(1 + \nu) \alpha_T \nabla^2 M_{T0} - \rho h \omega^2 w_0 = 0$$

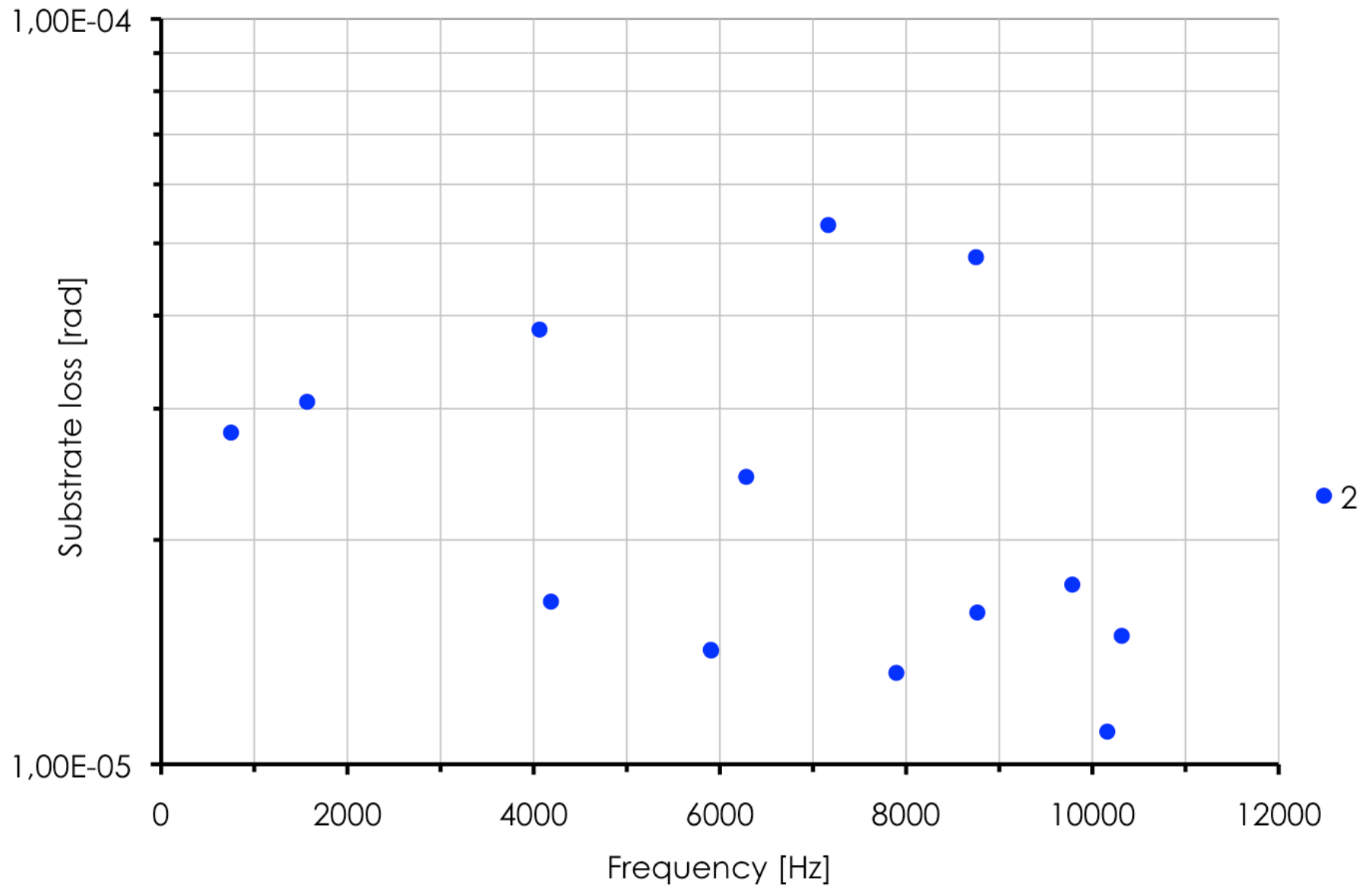
$$\kappa \frac{\partial^2 \vartheta_0}{\partial z^2} = i\omega \rho c_v \vartheta_0 - i\omega \beta T_0 z \nabla^2 w_0$$

$$M_{T0} = \frac{12}{h^3} \int_{-h/2}^{h/2} \vartheta_0 z \, dz$$

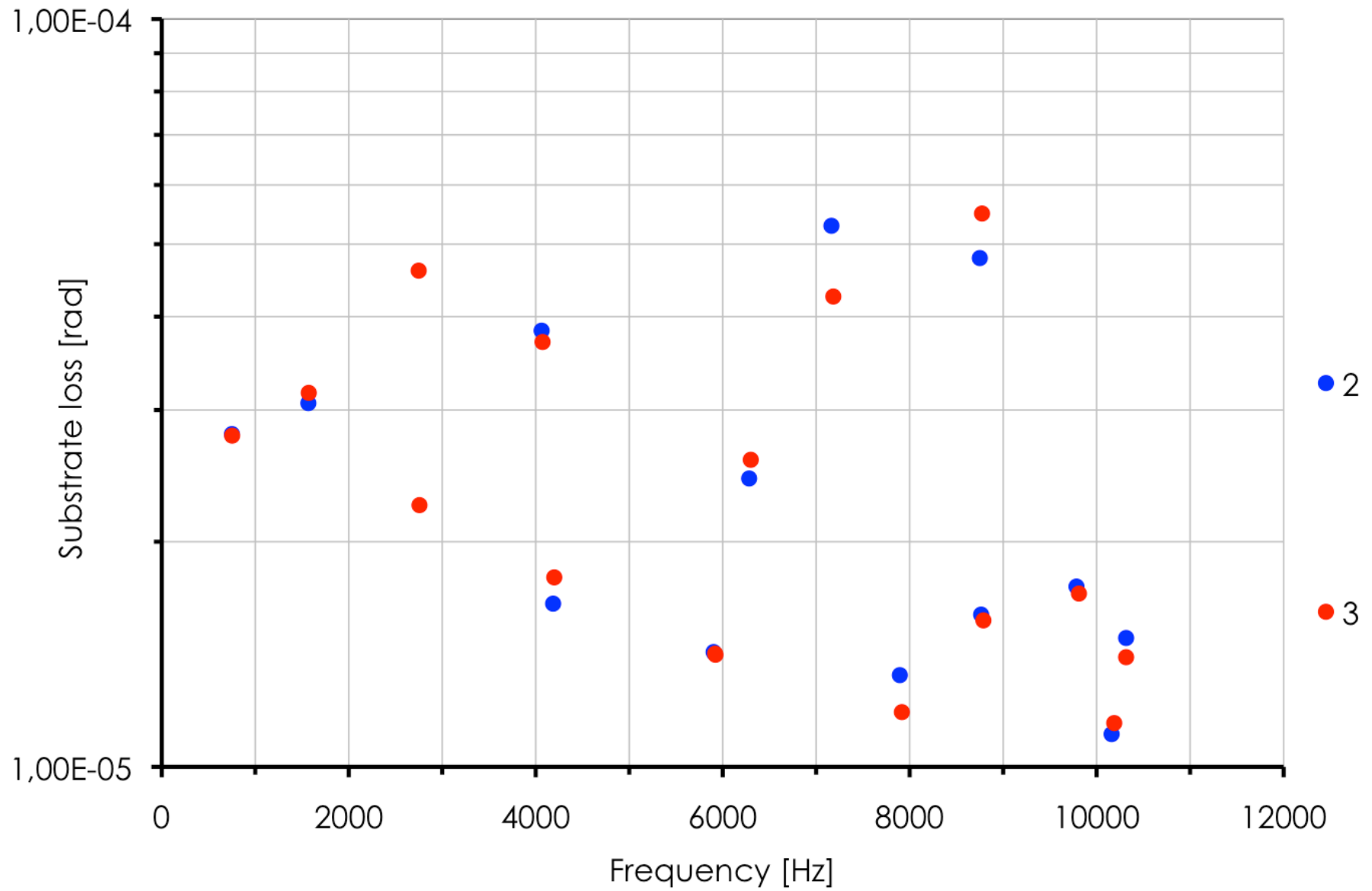


→ thermoelastic damping only depends on frequency

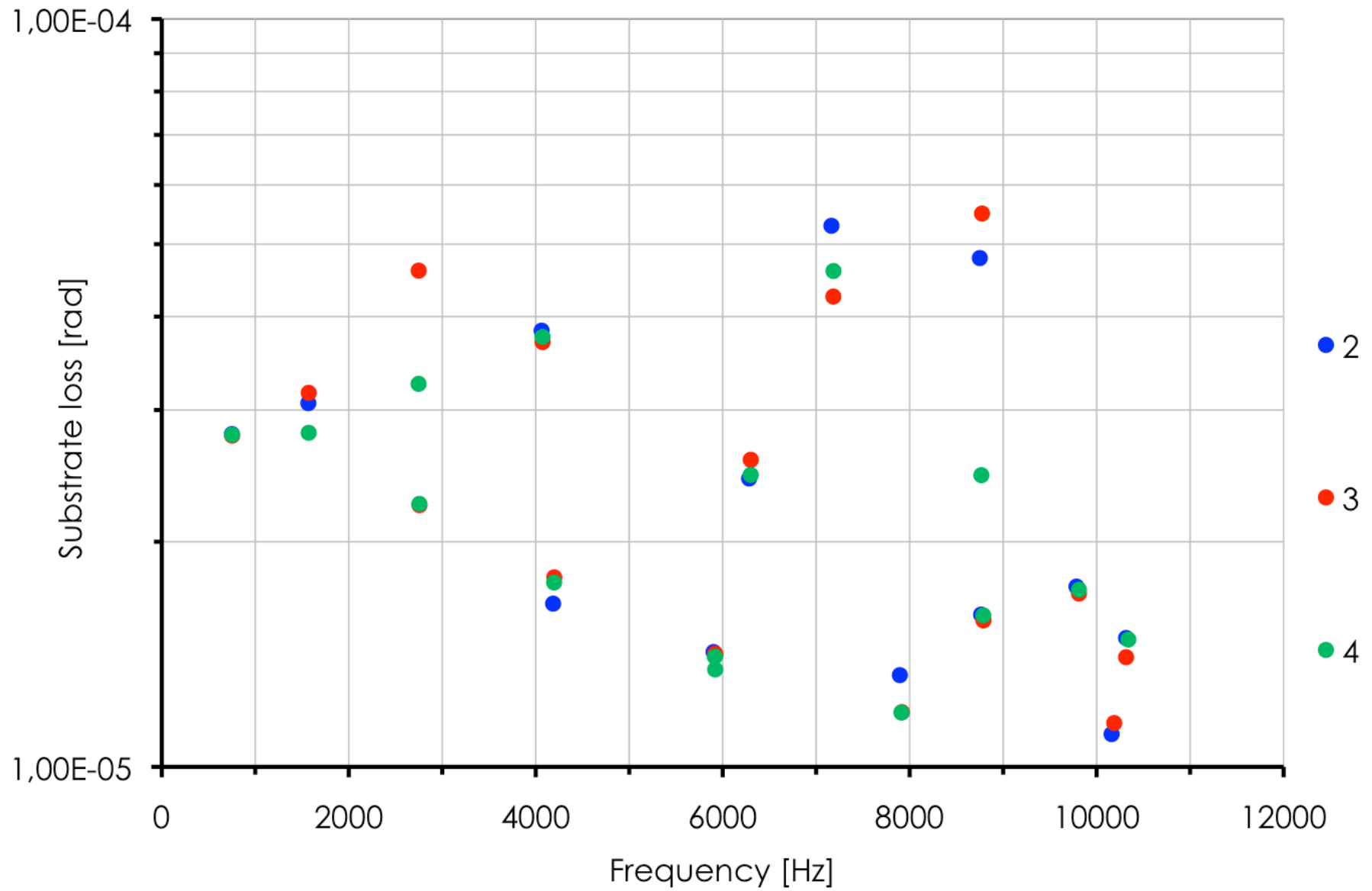
patterns



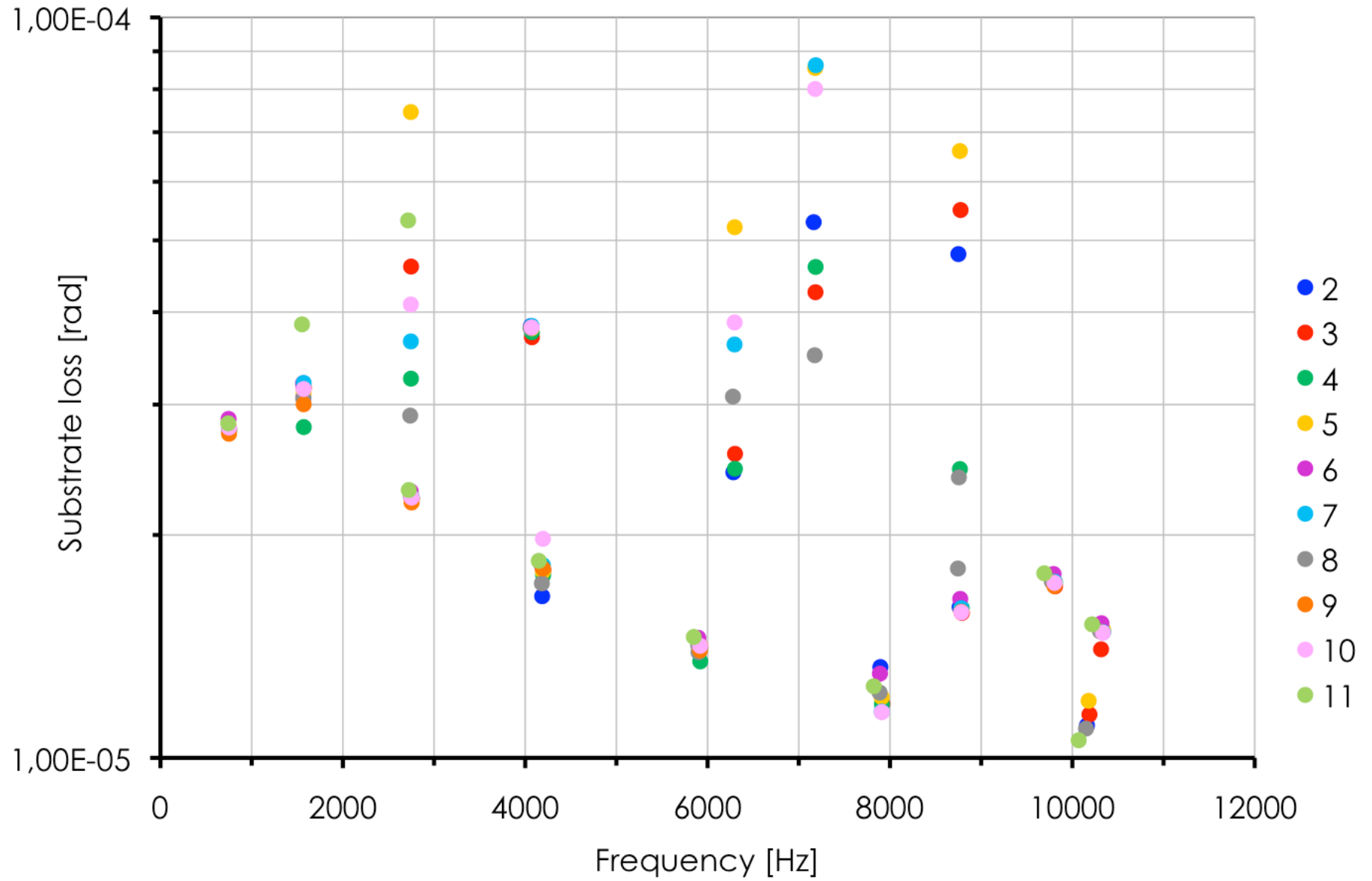
patterns



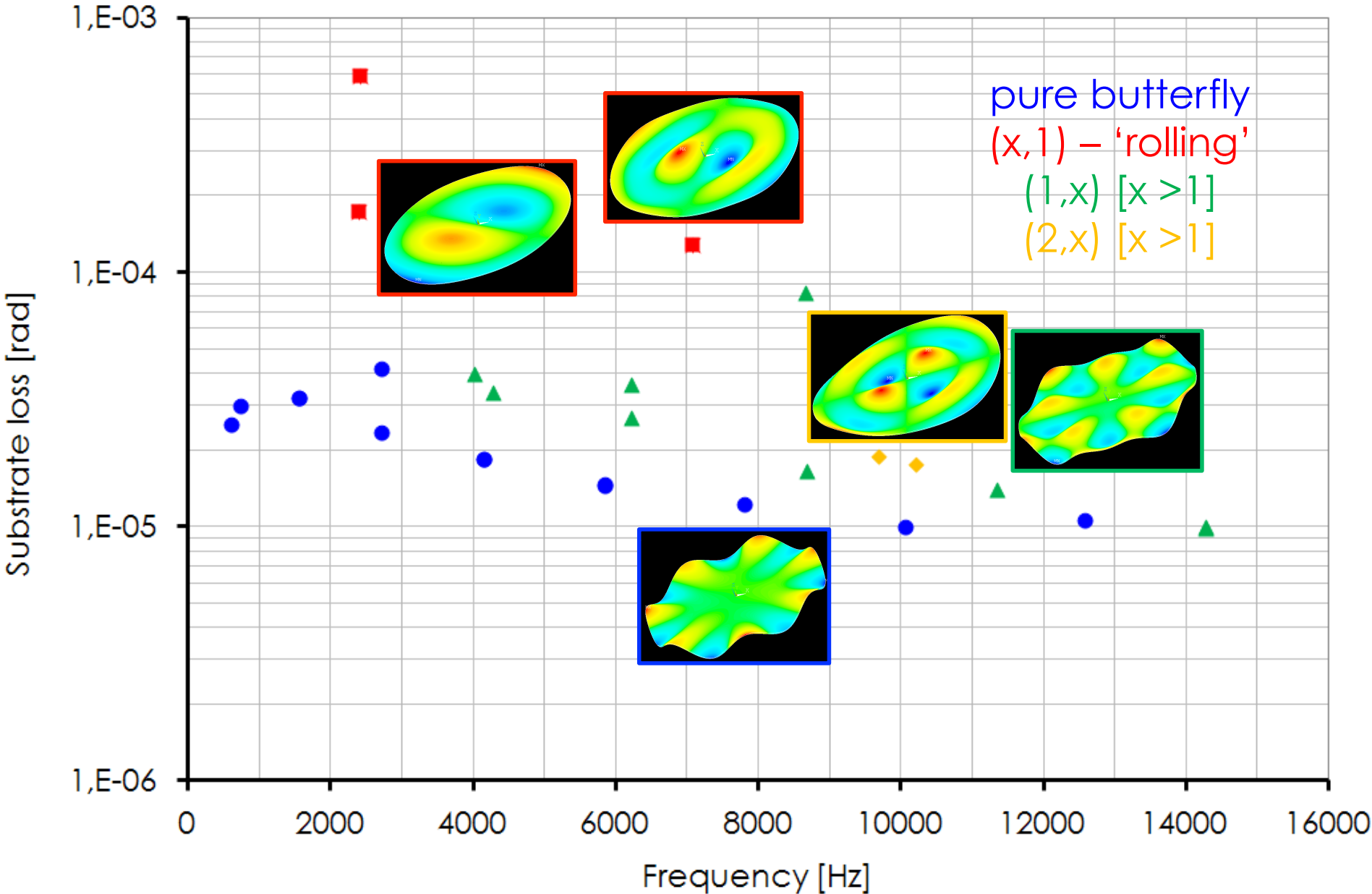
patterns



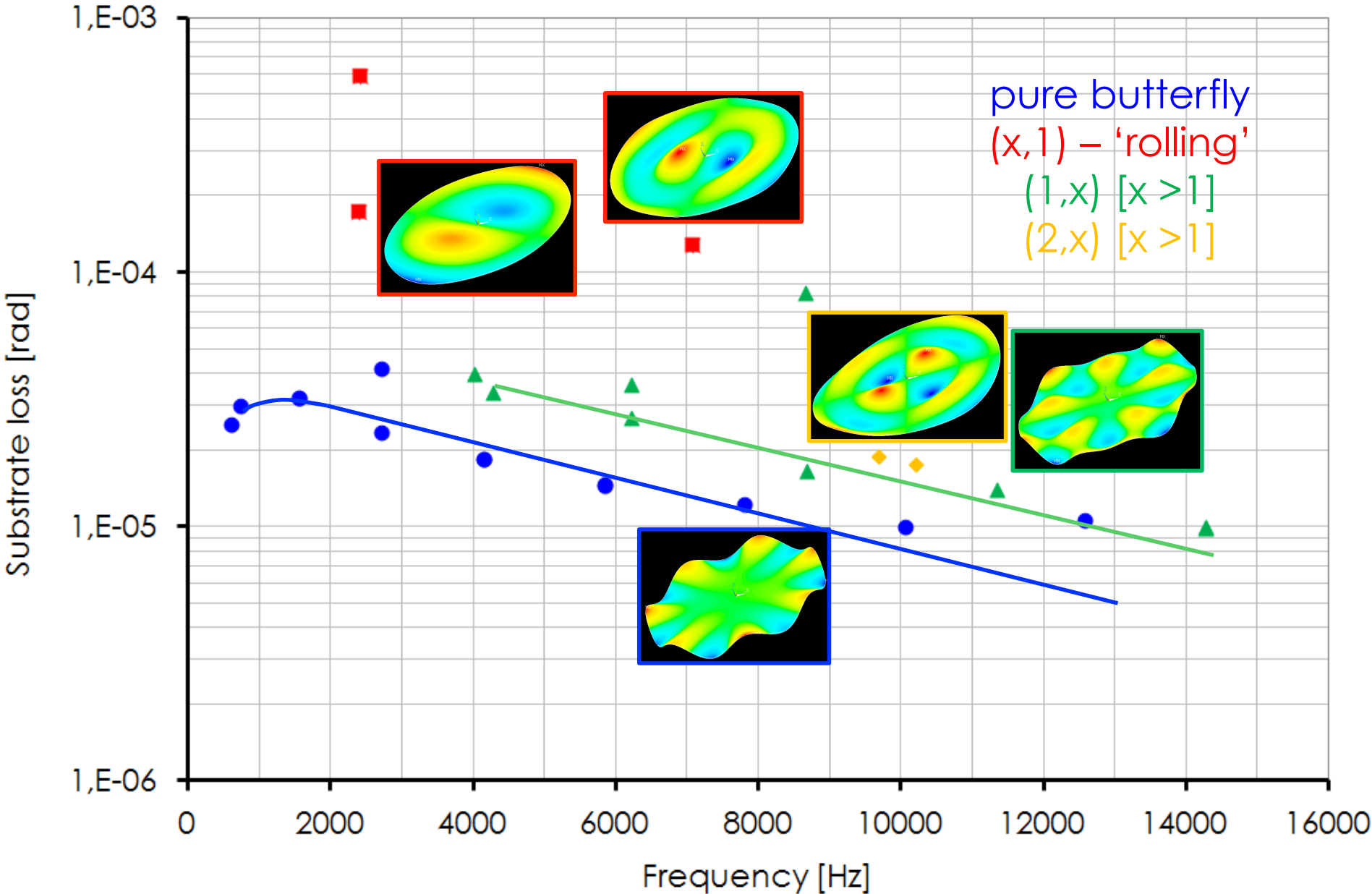
patterns



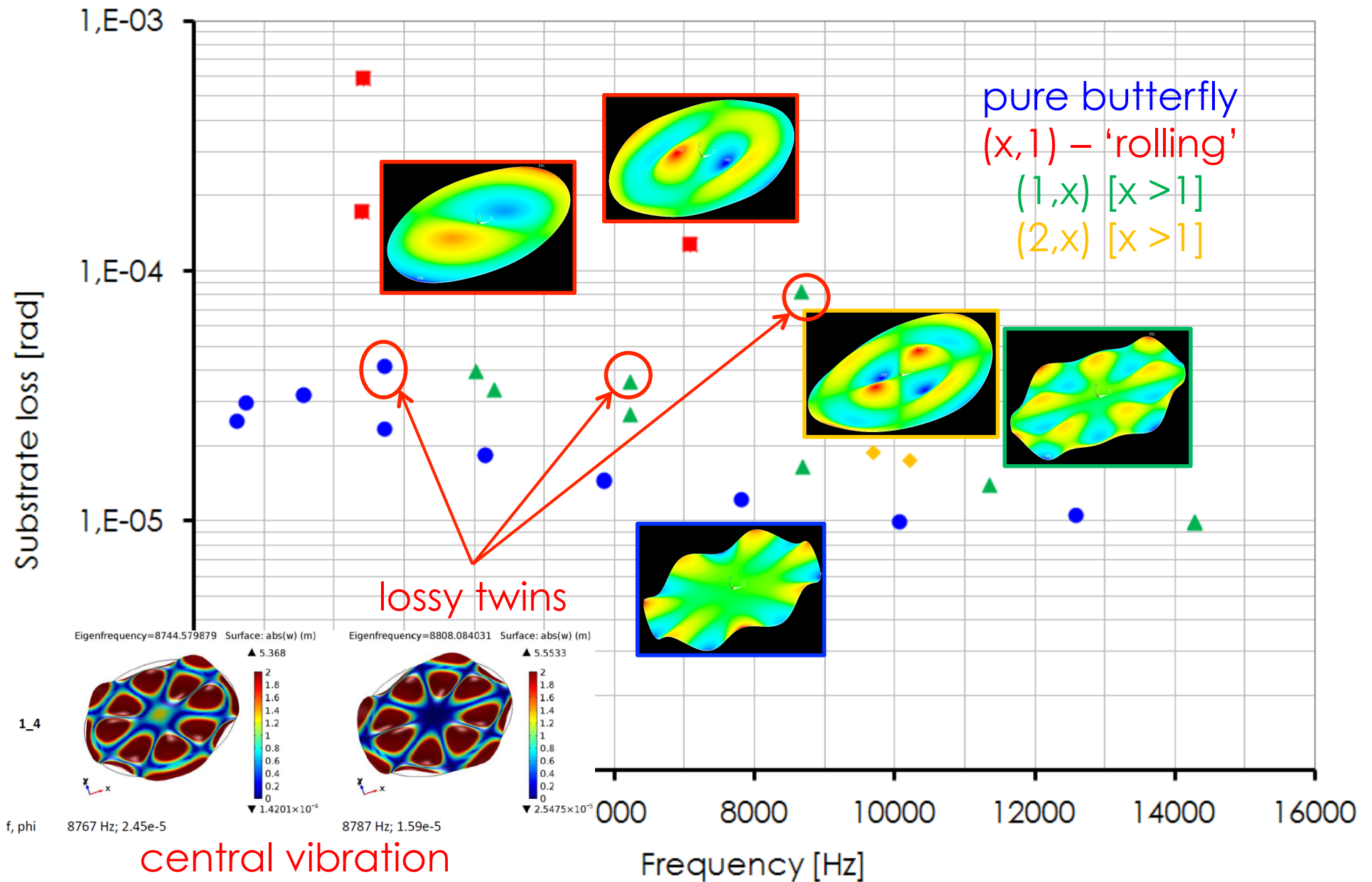
mode families



mode families



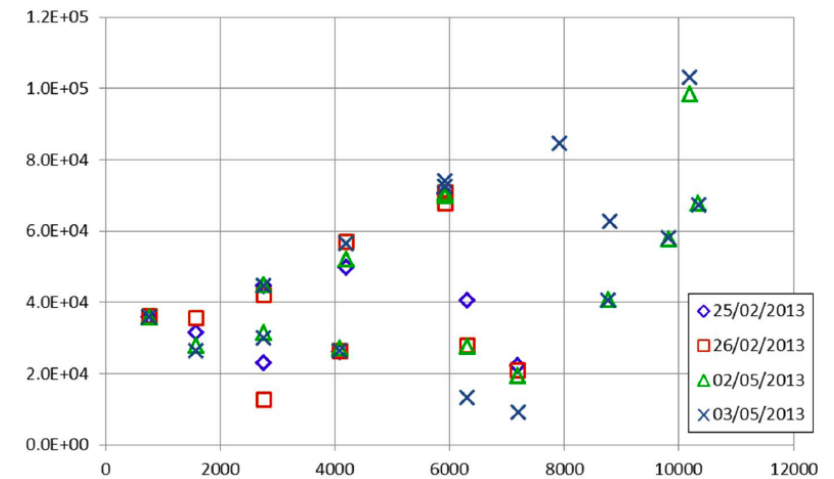
mode families



evidences

GeNS

- high repeatability
- high reproducibility
 - $\Delta f/f \sim 10^{-4}$
 - $\Delta Q/Q < 10\%$
- very low excess loss at low temperature
 - $Q_{0,2} = 2.2 \times 10^8$
 - $Q_{1,4} = 8.3 \times 10^7$
 - $Q_{2,2} = 1.1 \times 10^8$



evidences

GeNS

- high repeatability
- high reproducibility
 - $\Delta f/f \sim 10^{-4}$
 - $\Delta Q/Q < 10\%$
- very low excess loss at low temperature

$$Q_{0,2} = 2.2 \times 10^8$$

$$Q_{1,4} = 8.3 \times 10^7$$

$$Q_{2,2} = 1.1 \times 10^8$$

- independent simulations

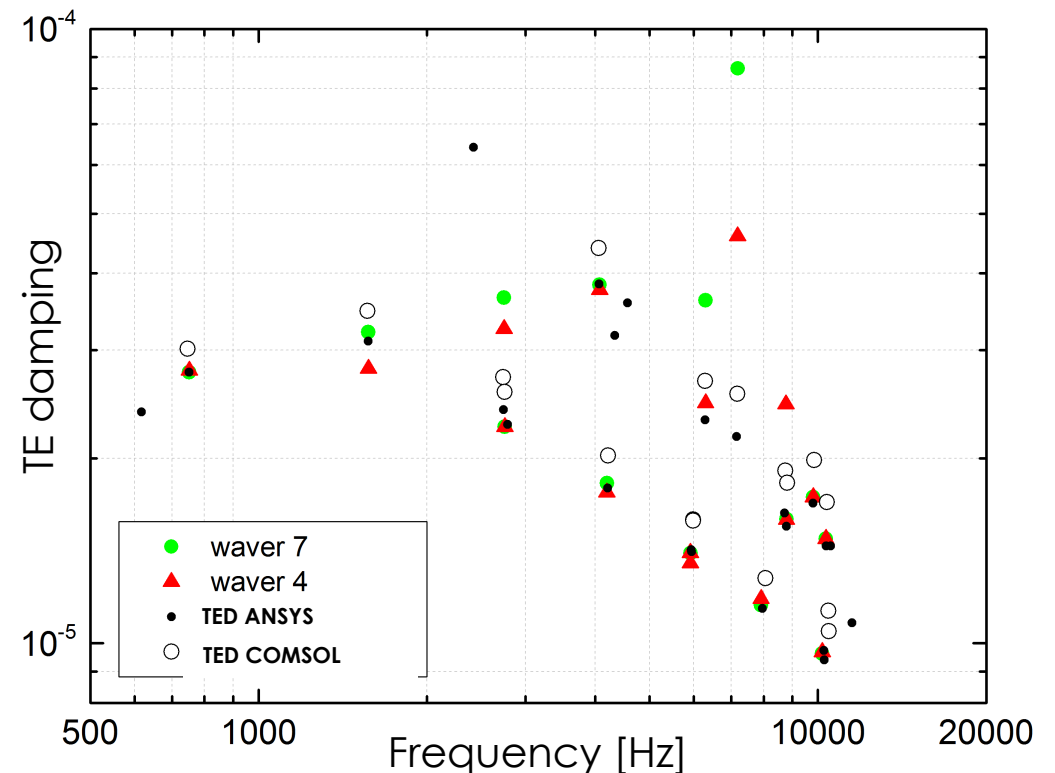
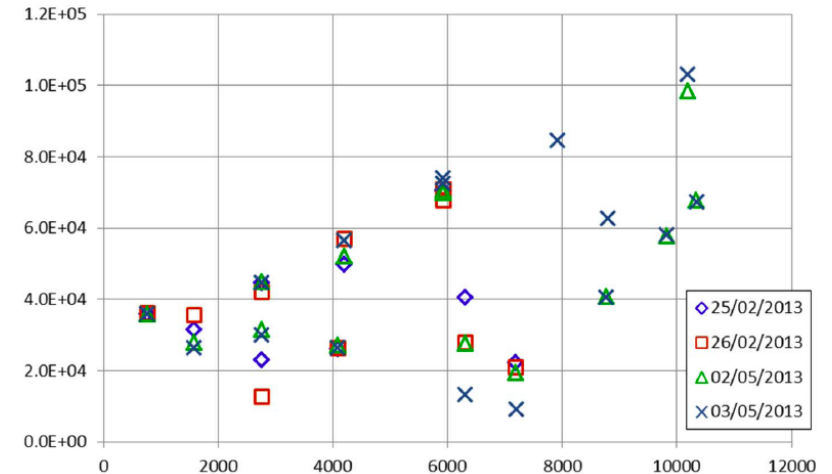
ANSYS + analytical

COMSOL

modes and loss confirmed

→ mode families are for real

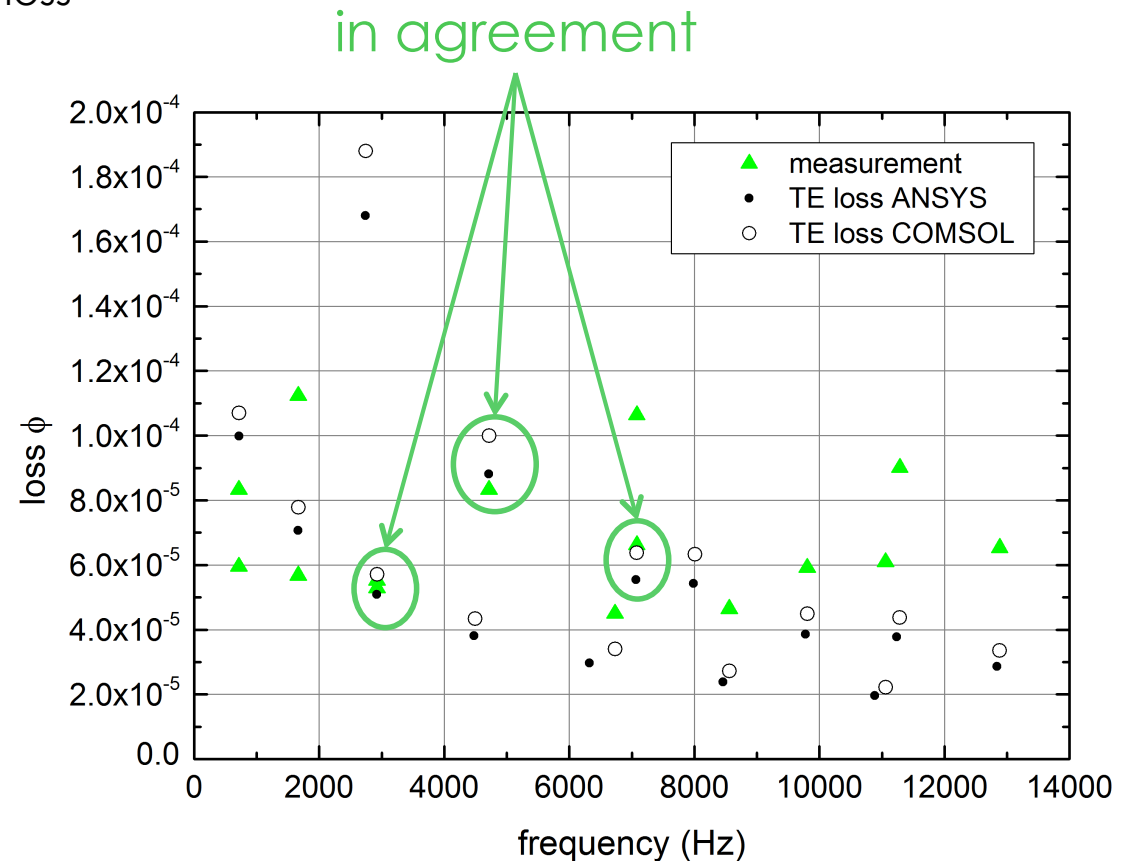
crystalline nature of Si ?



CuBe

- 3" isotropic sample – $t = 1$ mm
- simulations predict mode families
- discrepancy with measurements
 - lower frequency \rightarrow lower measured loss
 - higher frequency \rightarrow higher measured loss

- \rightarrow tune simulations ?
- \rightarrow thinner sample ?
- \rightarrow new material ?



next steps

- thin Si disks show mode-dependent thermoelastic damping
- analytical models do not predict mode families
 - new model is under development
- no clear outcome from CuBe disk → new samples and simulations
 - 0.5-mm thick CuBe disk
 - 0.5-mm thick α -brass disk

direct measurement of coating thermal noise

technique

quadrature-phase differential interferometer

Bellon et al., *Opt. Commun.* 207, 2002

Paolino et al., *Rev. Sci. Instrum.* 84, 2013

- suitable to study coating thermal noise
 - ✓ direct measurement
 - ✓ simple setup

- key point 1 – micro-cantilevers

low rigidity $k \leq 1$ N/m

high resonances $f_0 > 14$ kHz

low dilution factor $t_c \sim t_s$

→ thermal noise $\sim 10^{-13}$ m/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$

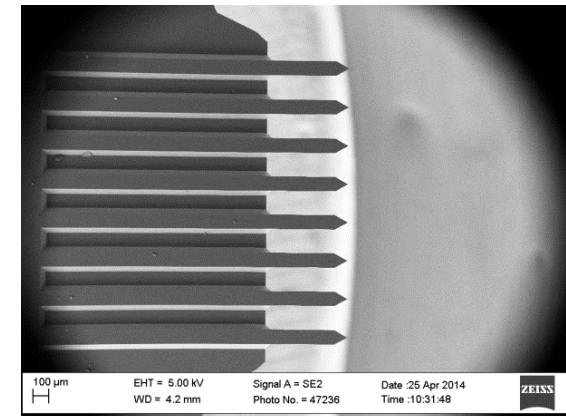
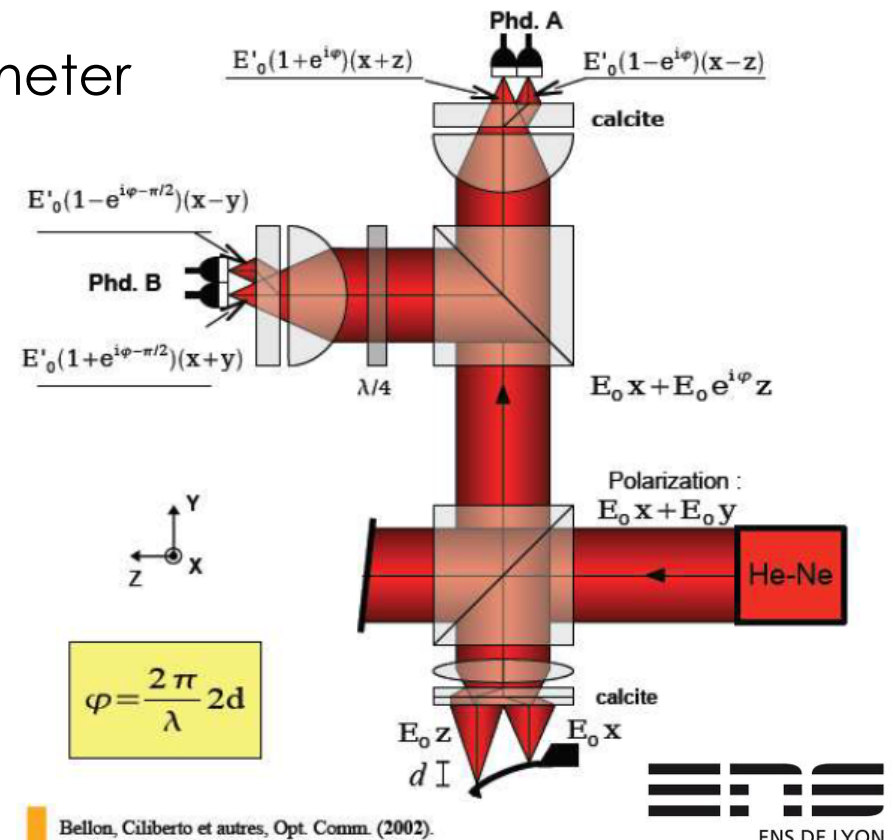
- key point 2 – polarization

linear response of several μm

nearly-common-path Michelson

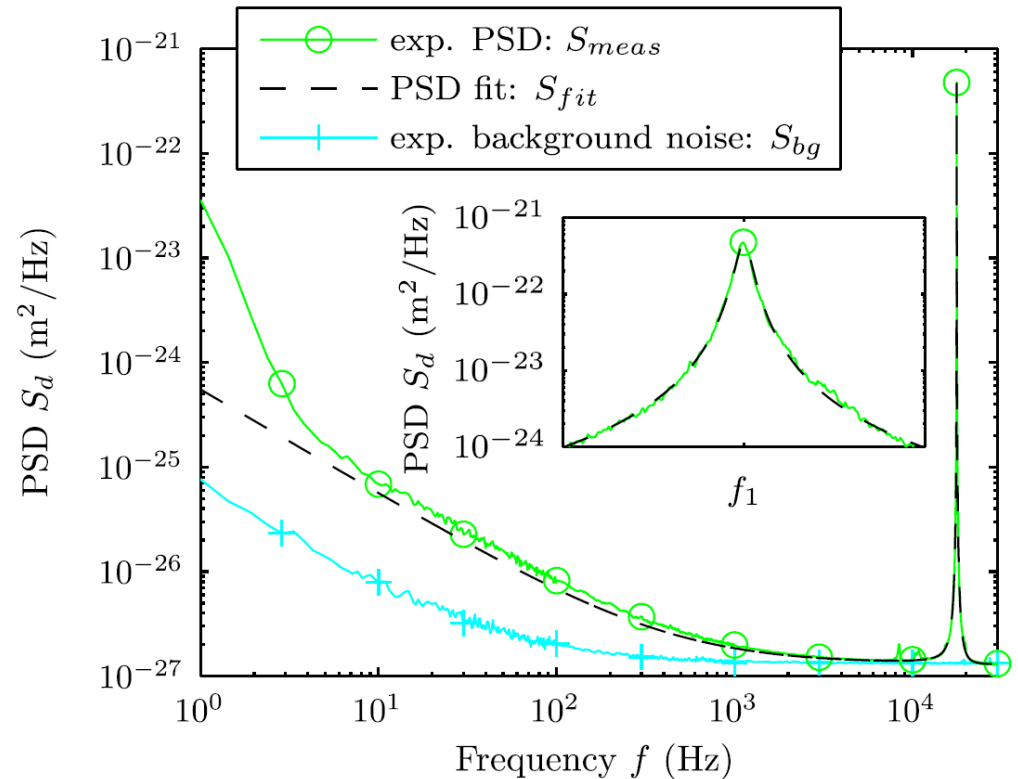
high noise rejection

very low drift



results

- measure
average of 10^2 spectra of ~ 10 s
- band from 10 Hz to 20 kHz
- analysis
fit of resonance
background subtraction
measured dilution factor D
 $\rightarrow \Phi c(\omega)$



- metallic coatings
Paolino & Bellon, *Nanotechnology* 20, 2009
Li & Bellon, *Europhys. Lett.* 98, 2012
- optical dielectric mono-layer coatings
Cagnoli et al., *22nd ICNF*, IEEE, 2013
Li et al., *Phys. Rev. D* 89, 2014

$$1-D \sim (f_s/f_{cc})^2 \mu_s / (\mu_s + \mu_c)$$

Sample	D	D^{calc}
Sample Si	0.40 ± 0.02	0.40 ± 0.02
Sample Si _A	0.41 ± 0.02	0.41 ± 0.02
Sample Ta _A	0.45 ± 0.02	0.54 ± 0.02

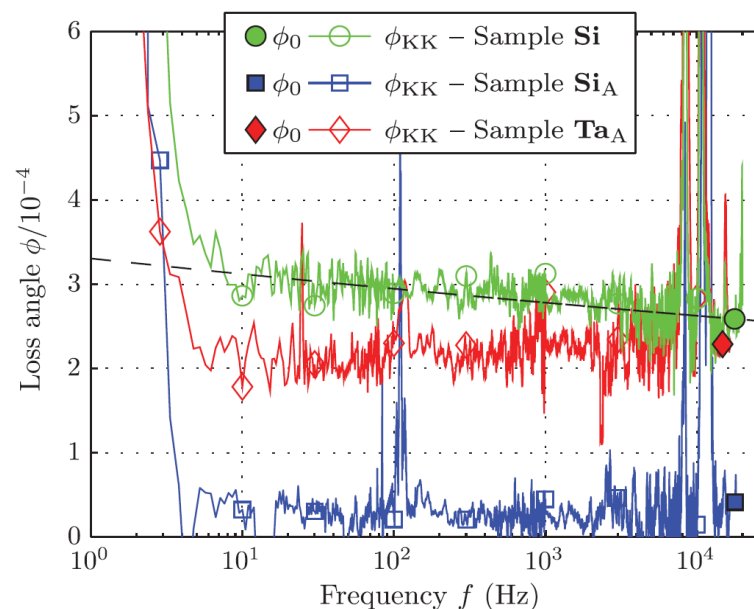
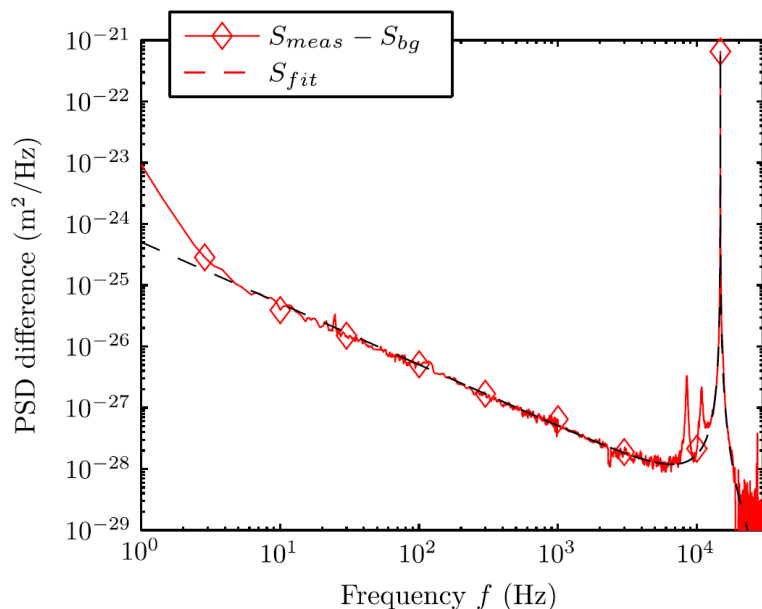
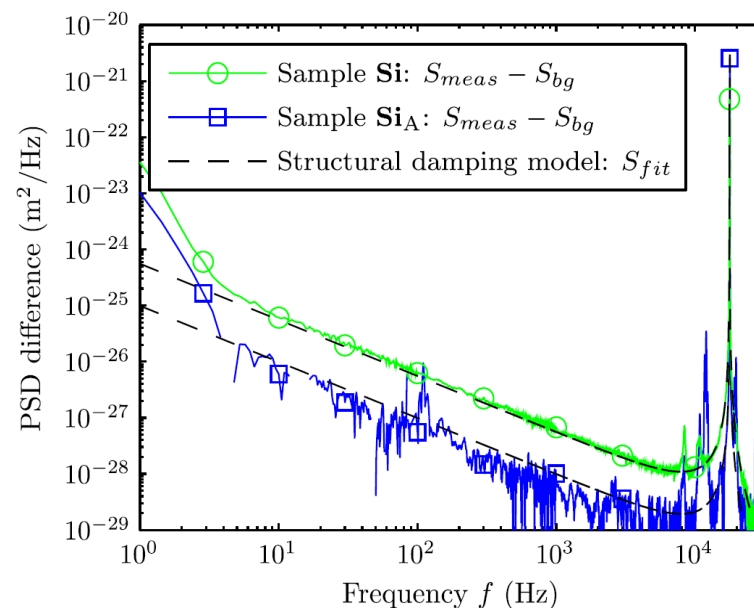
Y_{Ta2O5} ?

SiO₂ and Ta₂O₅

- 1/*f* noise – Saulson model confirmed
- *f*-independent loss after annealing

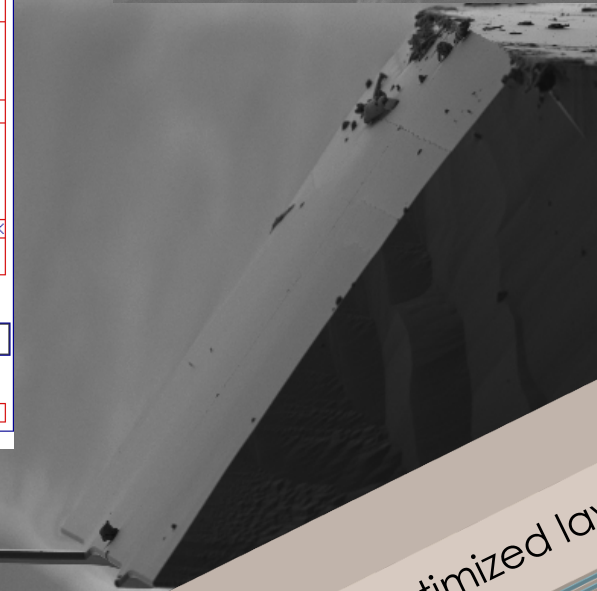
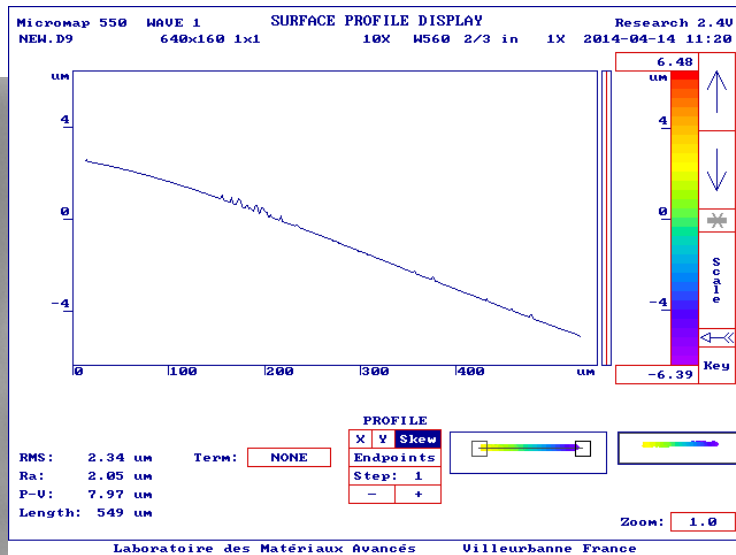
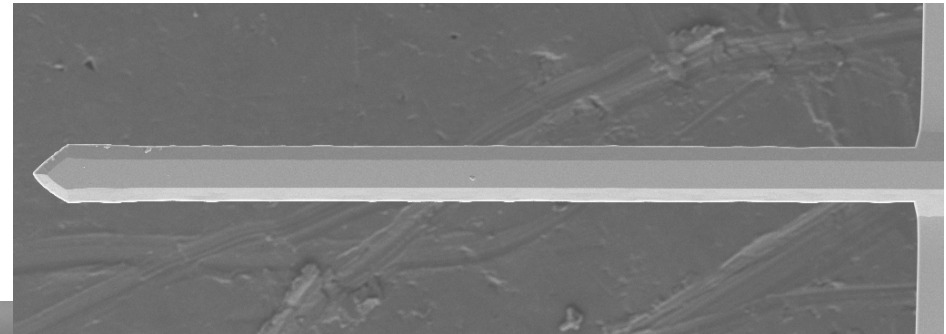
Coating	\mathcal{D}	$\phi_c \times 10^4$
SiO ₂ as coated	0.40 ± 0.02	6.0 ± 0.3(±0.5)
SiO ₂ annealed	0.41 ± 0.02	0.62 ± 0.05(+0.43)
Ta ₂ O ₅ annealed	0.45 ± 0.02	4.7 ± 0.2(±0.4)

in agreement with resonant method
– GeNS –



stack

- quarter-wavelength coating
plain Ta₂O₅ and SiO₂ layers
 $\lambda = 1064 \text{ nm}$, 10 doublets



optimized layers – nearly $\lambda/4$

$\lambda/4$

both surfaces coated

– straight coated cantilever –
technique developed at LMA

results

- before coating

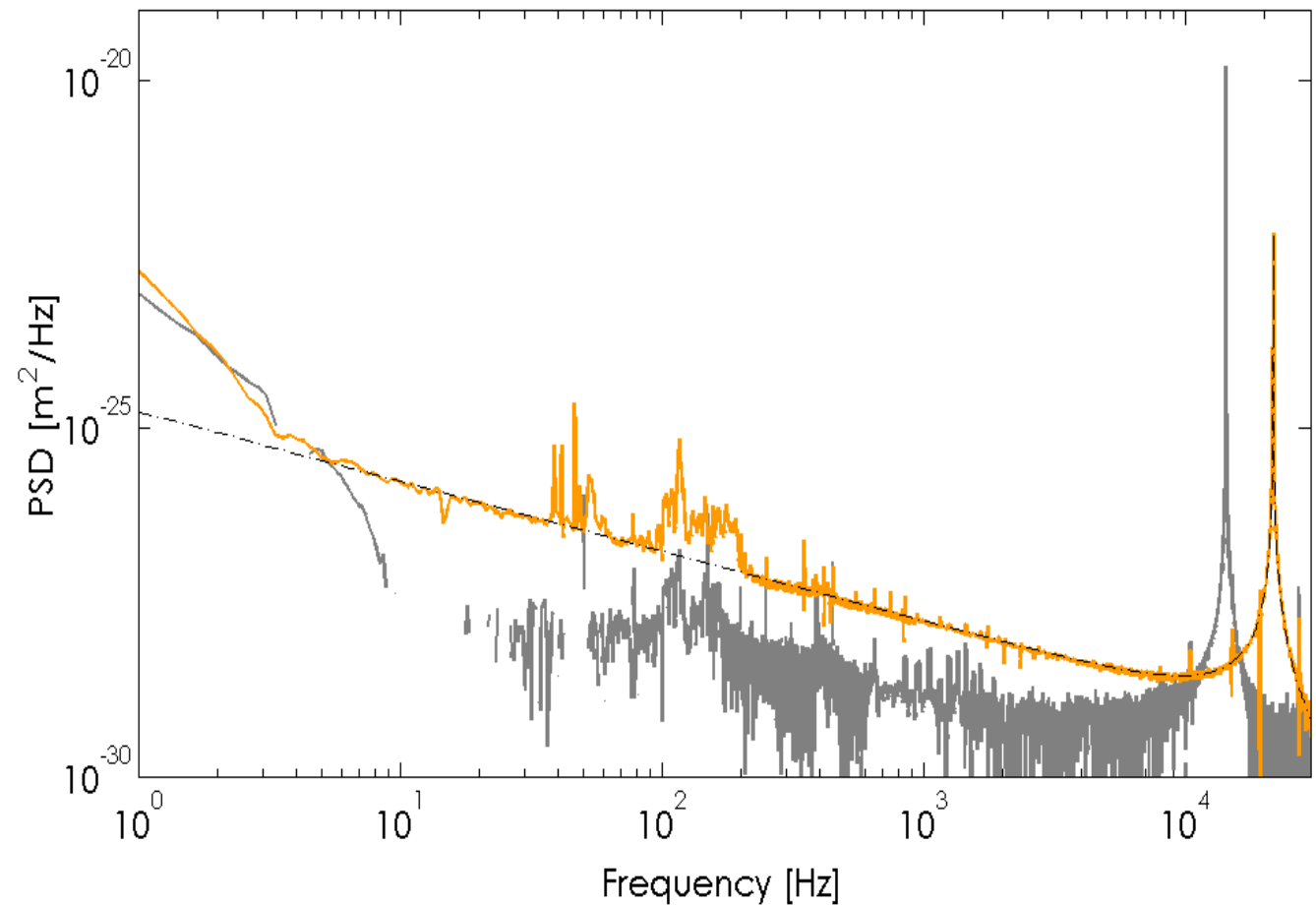
$$f_0 = 14280.33 \pm 0.01 \text{ Hz}$$

- after coating

$$f_0 = 21619.79 \pm 0.03 \text{ Hz}$$

measured loss
 $\Phi_c = 3.86 \times 10^{-4}$

expected loss
 $\Phi_c = 2.73 \times 10^{-4}$
[linear combination
of mono-layer loss]



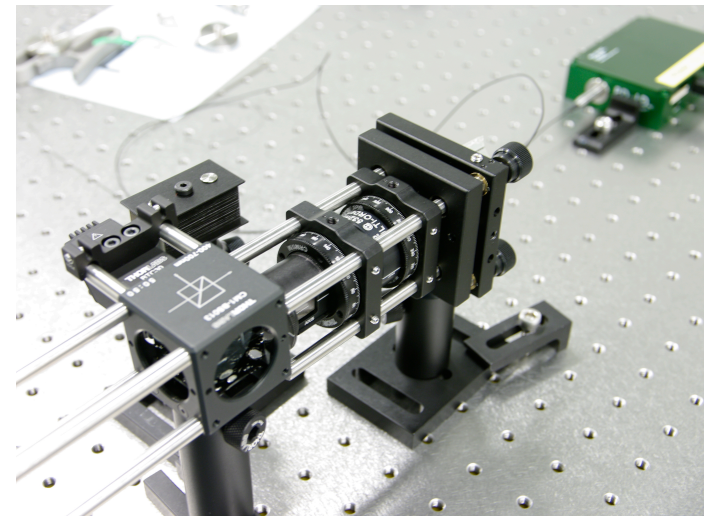
loss higher than expected

same phenomenon observed with macro-cantilevers ?

M. Granata & al., *GWADW*, Waikoloa, 2012

next steps

- quadrature-phase differential interferometer
 - very powerful tool to study out-of-resonance coating thermal noise
 - additional informations on present optical coatings
 - enhance R&D programs on new materials
- mono-layer dielectric optical coatings characterized
- LMA developed a technique to deposit stacks on micro-cantilevers
 - multi-layer coatings under study
- 2nd setup being assembled at LMA
 - to be coupled to a cryostat



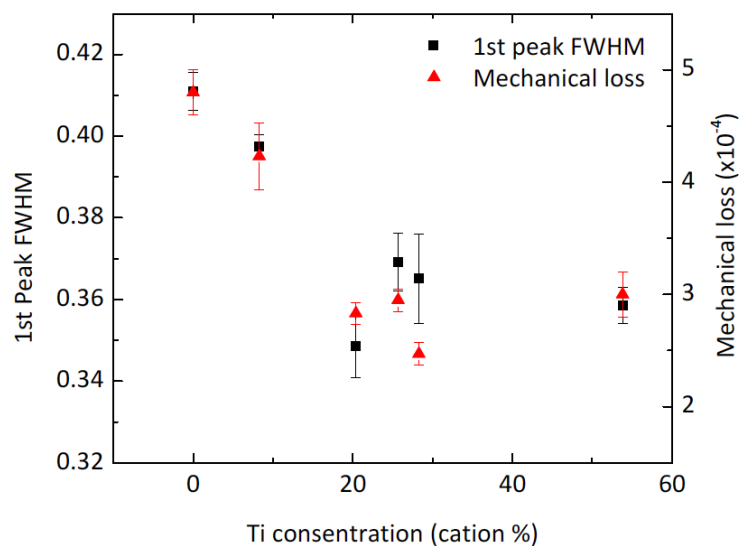
coating structure and mechanical loss

mechanical loss

due to structural relaxation of materials

→ investigation of microscopic structure

- $\text{TiO}_2\text{Ta}_2\text{O}_5$



reduced density functions

Bassiri & al., *Acta Mater.* 61, 2013

Bassiri & al., *LIGO-G1400271*, 2014

talk in this session

- Ta_2O_5

→ Raman spectroscopy at Institut Lumière Matière

- SiO_2



Raman in a nutshell

laser $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}_0 \cos(2\pi f_0 t) \rightarrow$ dipole

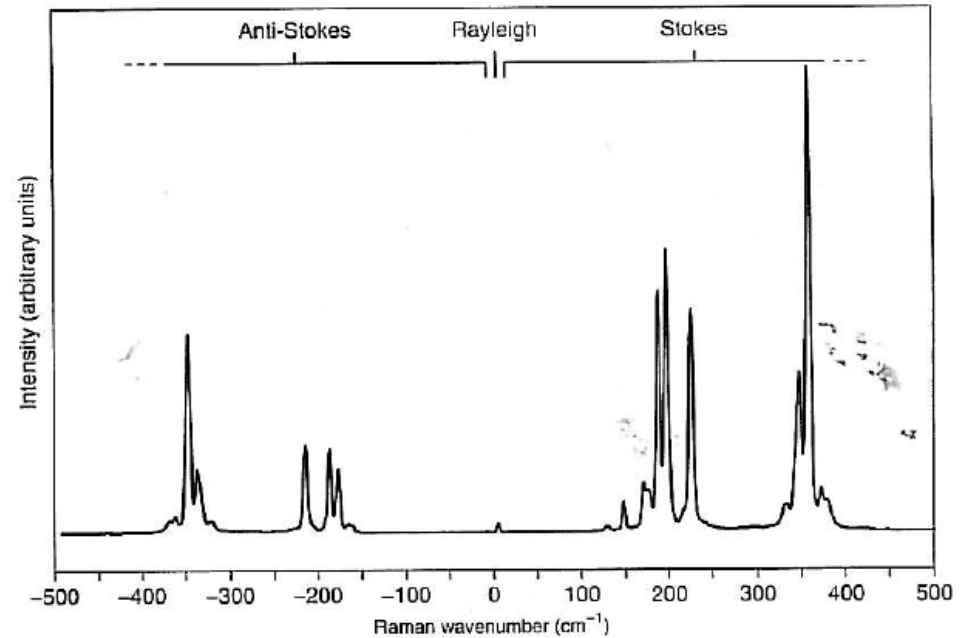
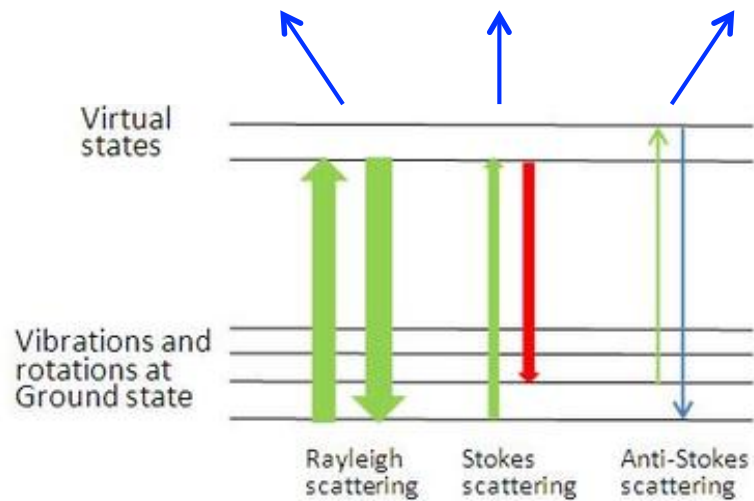
$$\mathbf{p} = \alpha \mathbf{E}$$

polarizability & normal coordinates
 ~ harmonic vibration of atoms

$$\alpha(Q_k) \sim \alpha_0 + Q_k \partial \alpha / \partial Q_k$$

$$Q_k = Q_{k0} \cos(2\pi f_k t)$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p}(f_0) + \mathbf{p}(f_0 - f_k) + \mathbf{p}(f_0 + f_k)$$



\rightarrow spectrum of vibrational transitions

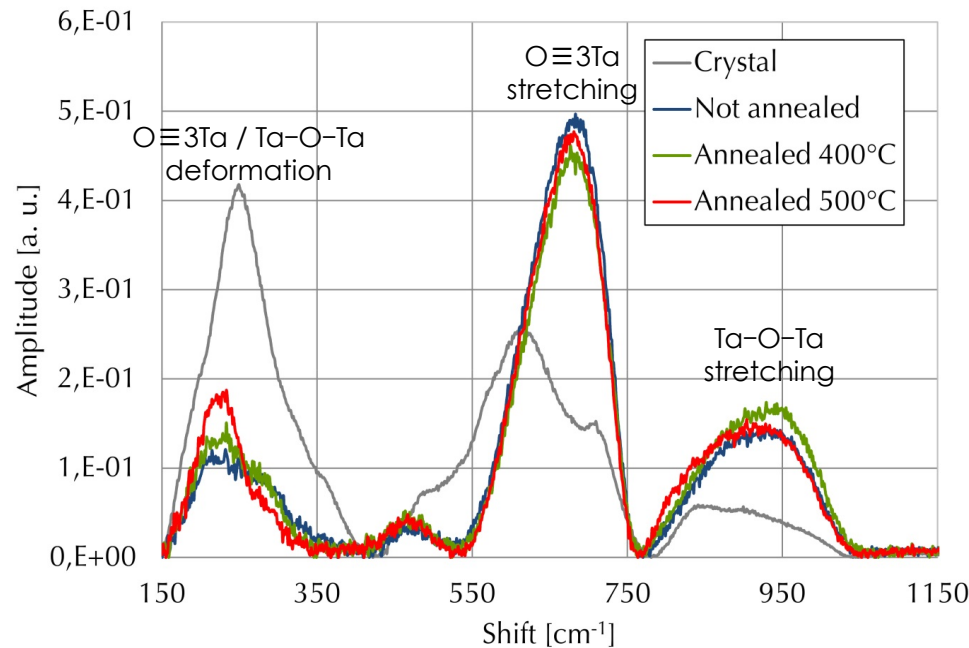
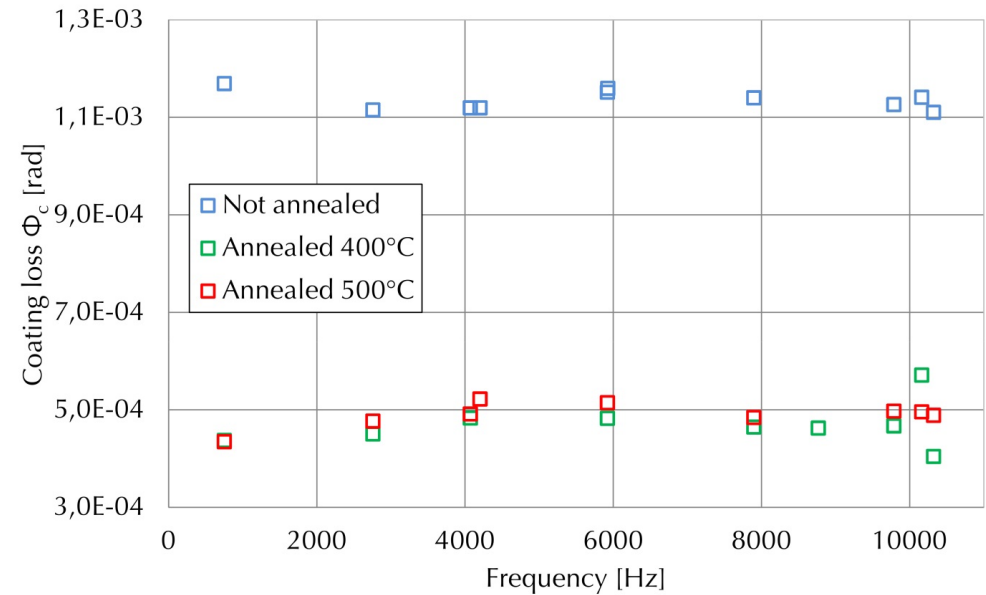
$$\text{wavenumber } \omega = (f_0 - f) / c$$

$$[\omega] = \text{cm}^{-1}$$

P. Vandenabeele, *Practical Raman Spectroscopy*, Wiley, 2013

Ta₂O₅

- annealing decreases losses by a factor 2



- little evolution of spectra wrt annealing

M. Granata & al., *Amaldi10*, Warsaw, 2013

peak identification

Ono & al., *Thin Solid Films* 381, 2001

- problem of samples?

warning

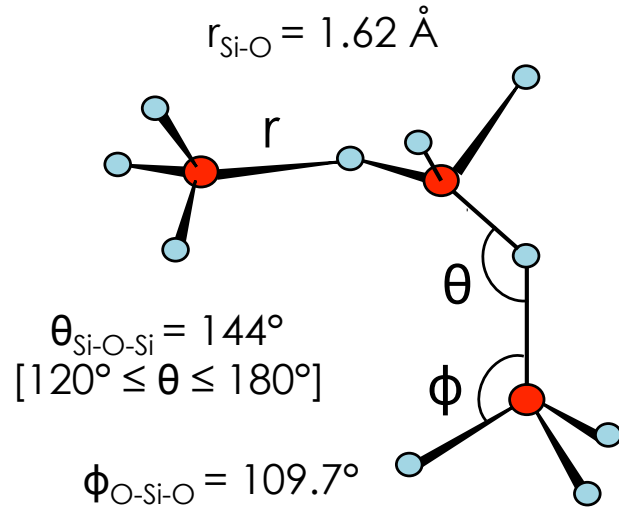
ion-beam-sputtered SiO₂ used in this study
is **not the same**
as that of detector mirrors

golden rule:

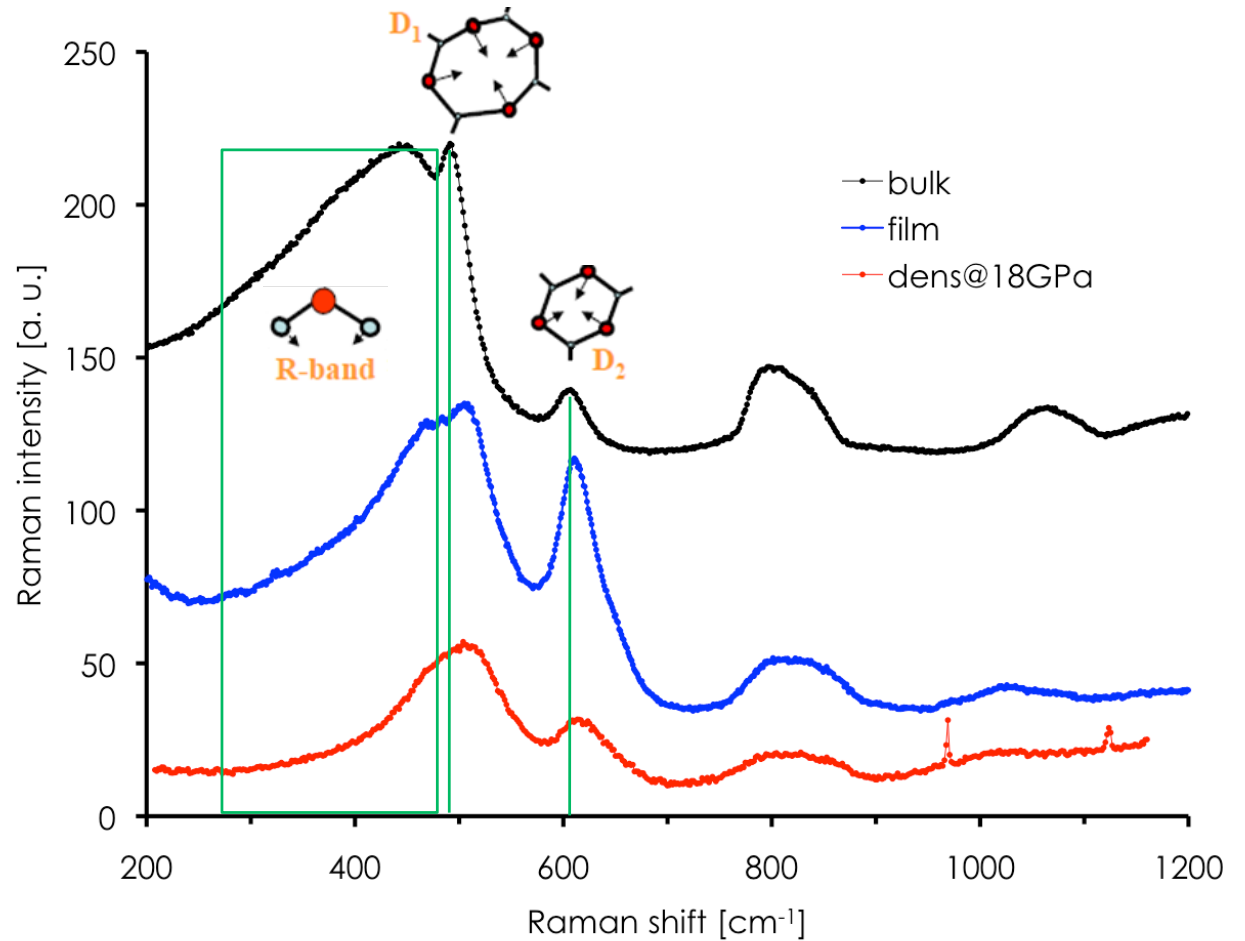
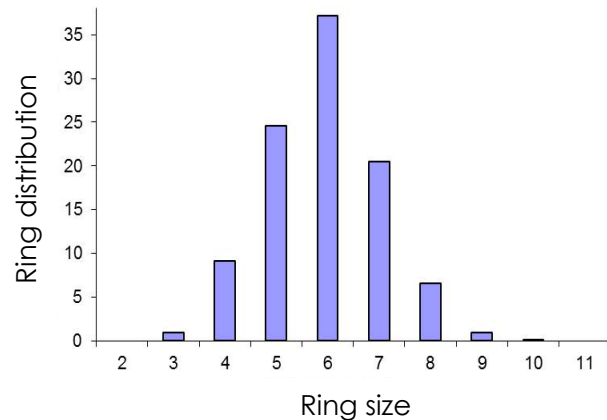
different deposition parameters give different coatings

SiO₂

- bulk



Jin & al., *Phys. Rev B* 50, 1994



- peak identification
 Galeener, *J. Non-Cryst. Solids* 71, 1985

SiO₂

- film

different R-band → different θ distribution

shifted peaks

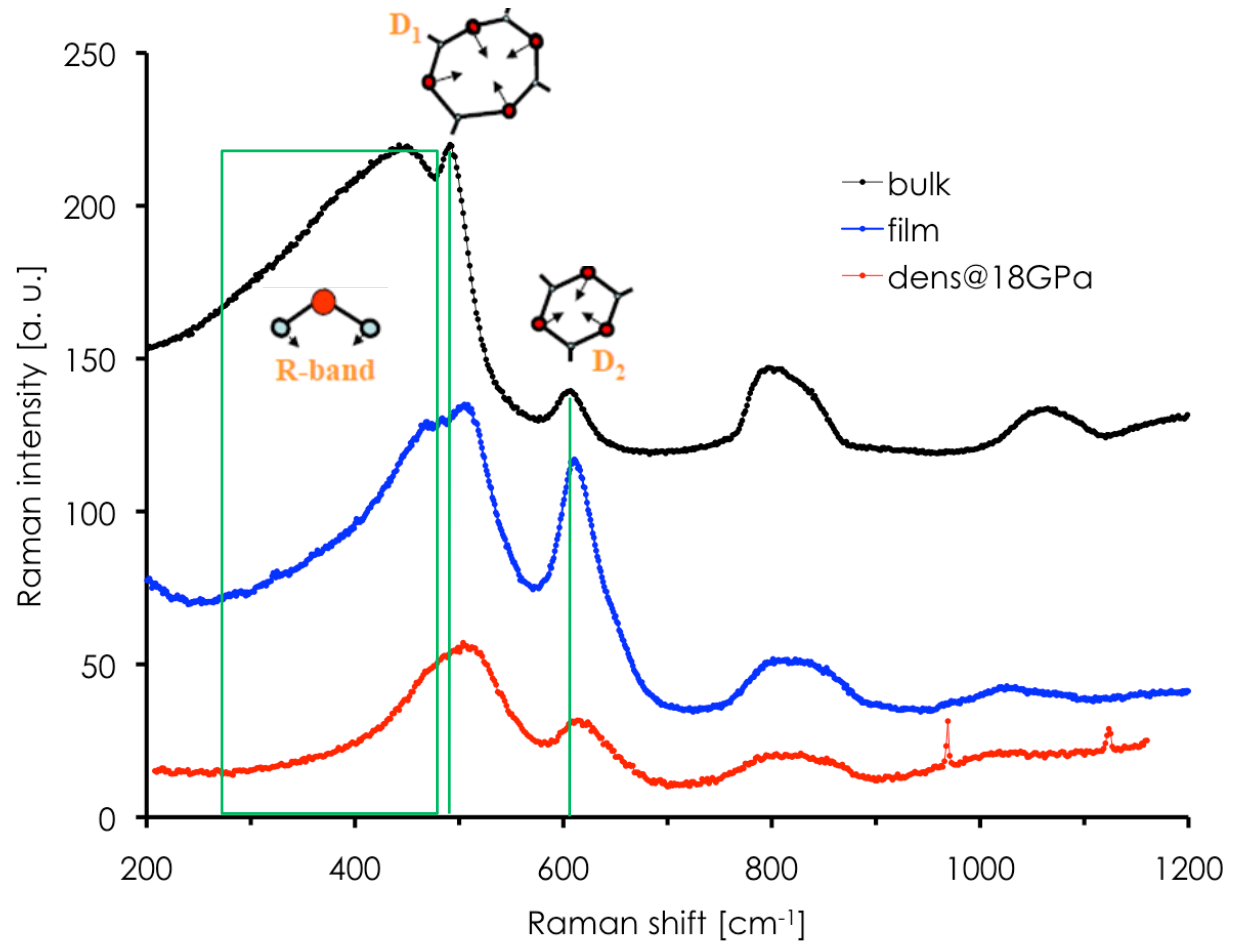
higher D2 intensity

→ similar to densified bulk

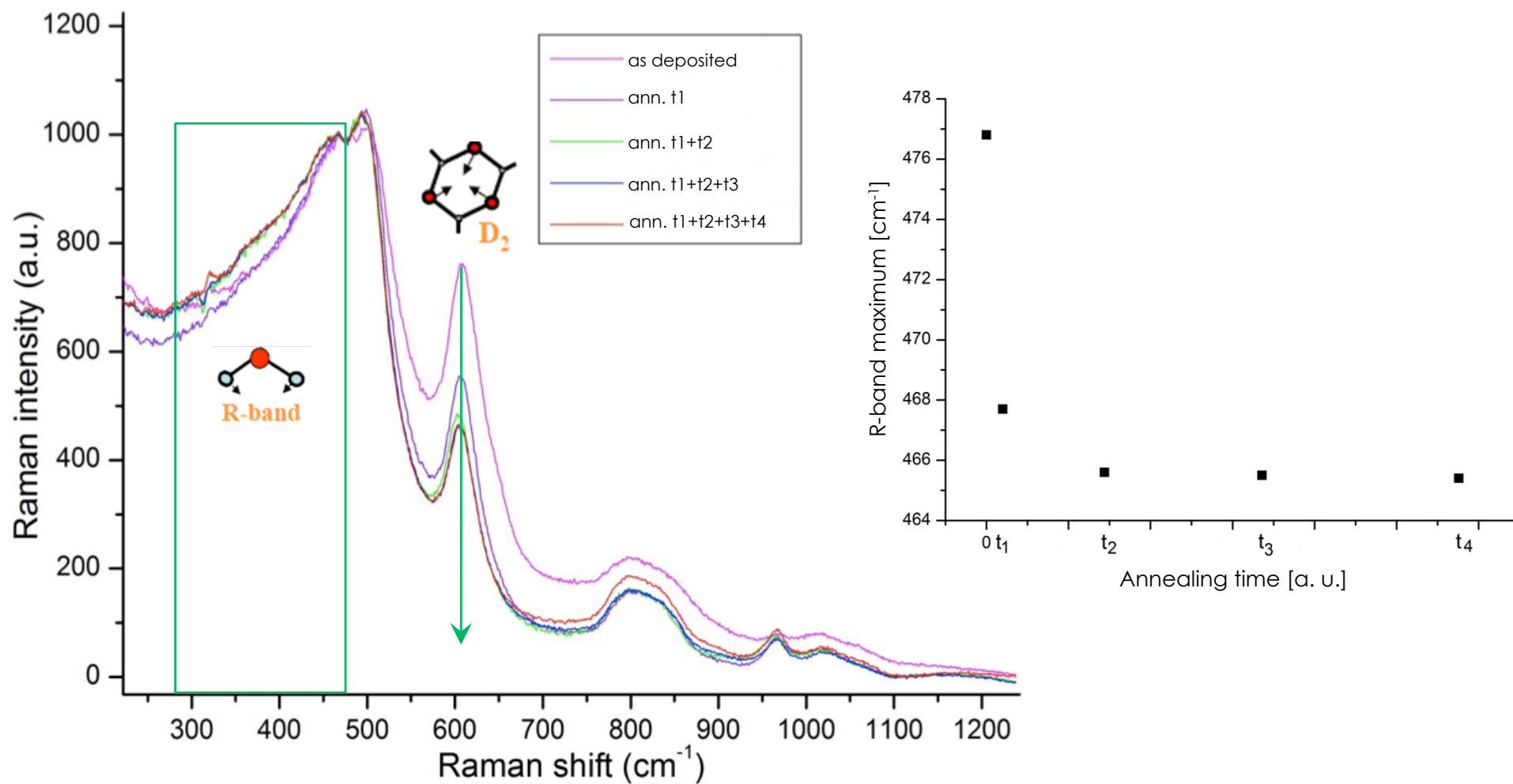
- in agreement with density measurements

$$\rho_{\text{bulk}} = 2.20 \text{ g/cm}^3$$

$$\rho_{\text{film}} = 2.47 \text{ g/cm}^3$$

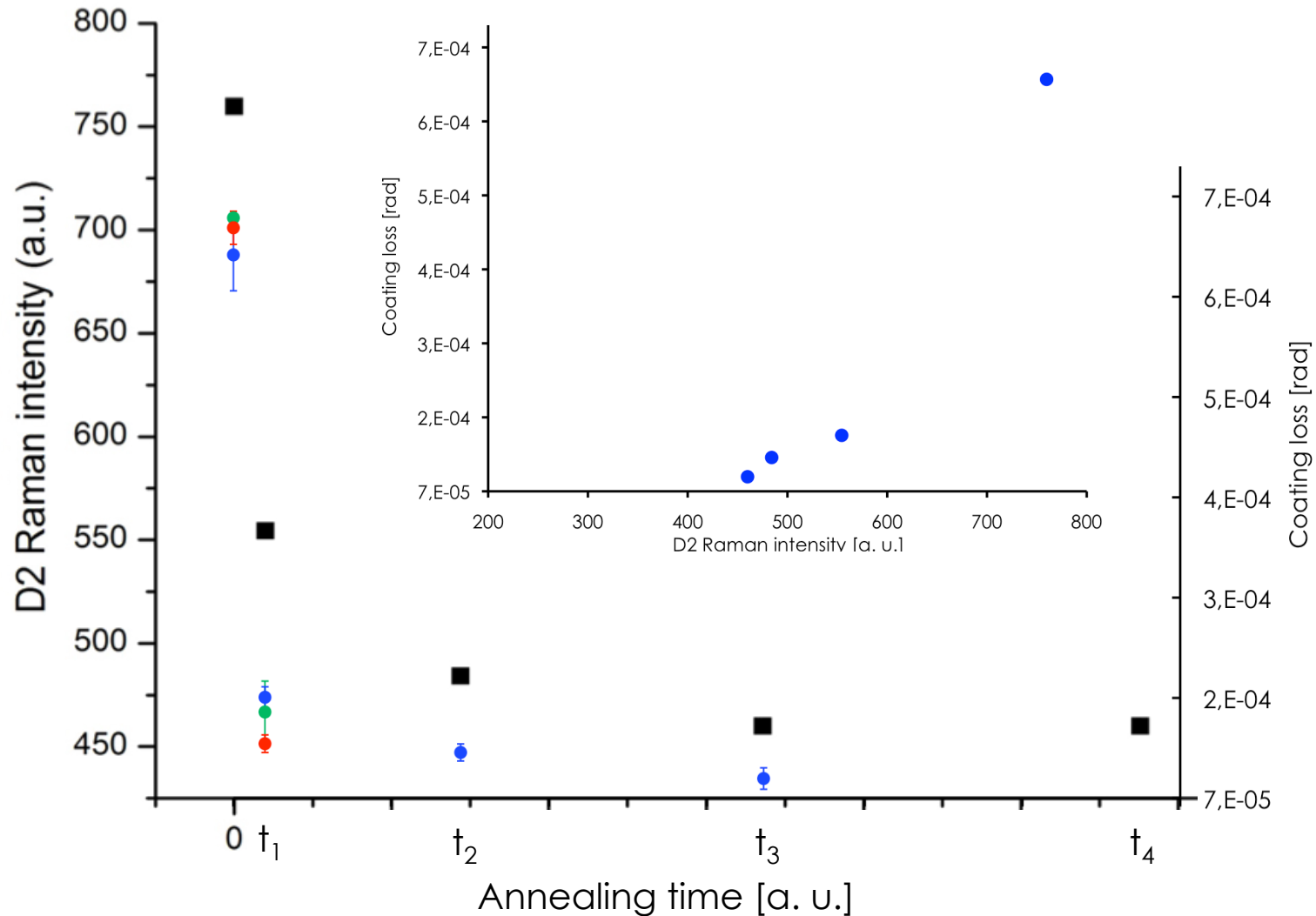


annealing



- remarkable differences wrt to cumulated annealing time
evolution of the R-band → different θ distribution
clear reduction of D₂ peak

SiO₂ structure and loss



- loss measured on 3 cantilever blades
- close correlation between D2 spectral evolution and loss

next steps

- Raman spectroscopy used to investigate Ta₂O₅ and SiO₂ coatings
 - no clear outcome from Ta₂O₅ → new set of samples
 - ✓ first observation of structure/loss correlation in SiO₂
 - repeat with advanced-detector SiO₂

conclusions

conclusions

- mode-dependent thermoelastic damping observed on Si disks
 - new model under developement
 - relevant for other planar structures (ribbons and blades)
- simple out-of-resonance measurement of thermal noise is now possible
 - optical mono-layer coatings characterized
 - first results from high-reflectivity coatings (stacks)
 - excess mechanical loss observed, study ongoing
 - additional cryogenic setup being assembled for R&D
- Raman spectroscopy used to investigate coating structure
 - measured SiO₂ relaxation wrt annealing time
 - first observation of SiO₂ structure/loss correlation