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Dissipative and dispersive cavity optomechanics with a suspended frequency-dependent mirror

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An optomechanical microcavity can considerably enhance the interaction between light and mechanical motion by confining light to a subwavelength volume. However, this comes at the cost of an increased optical loss rate. A pathway to reduce optical losses is to use a strongly frequency-dependent mirror, such as a photonic crystal mirror.

In this talk, I will present the quantum-coupled-mode description we formulated for such a system [1], including both the standard dispersive optomechanical coupling as well as dissipative coupling, and show how it matches our experimental measurements of a free-space on-chip optomechanical microcavity [2]. Finally, I will outline strategies to achieve ground-state cooling in such a device [1], including using a coherent feedback scheme [3].

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