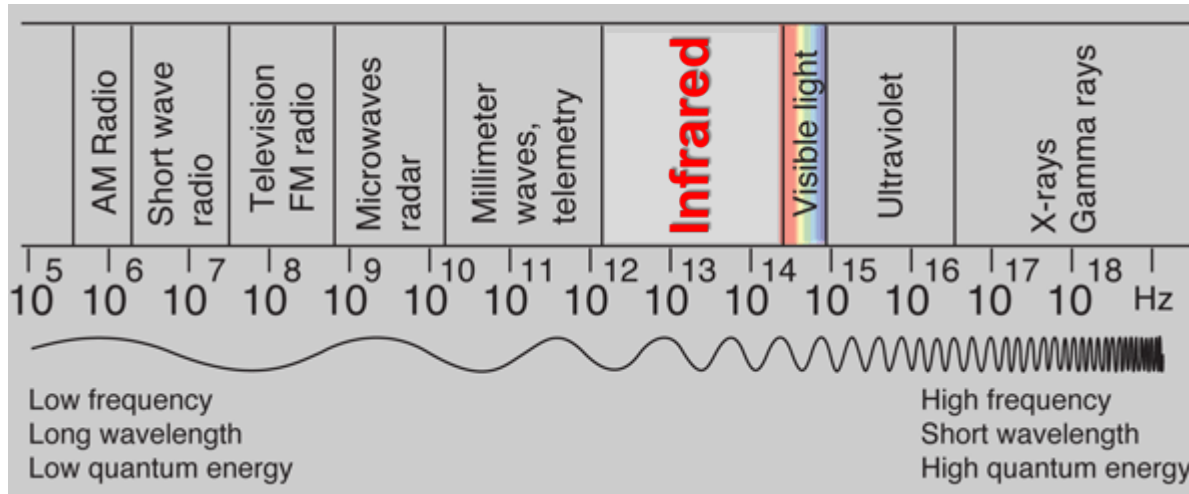


Infrared radiation

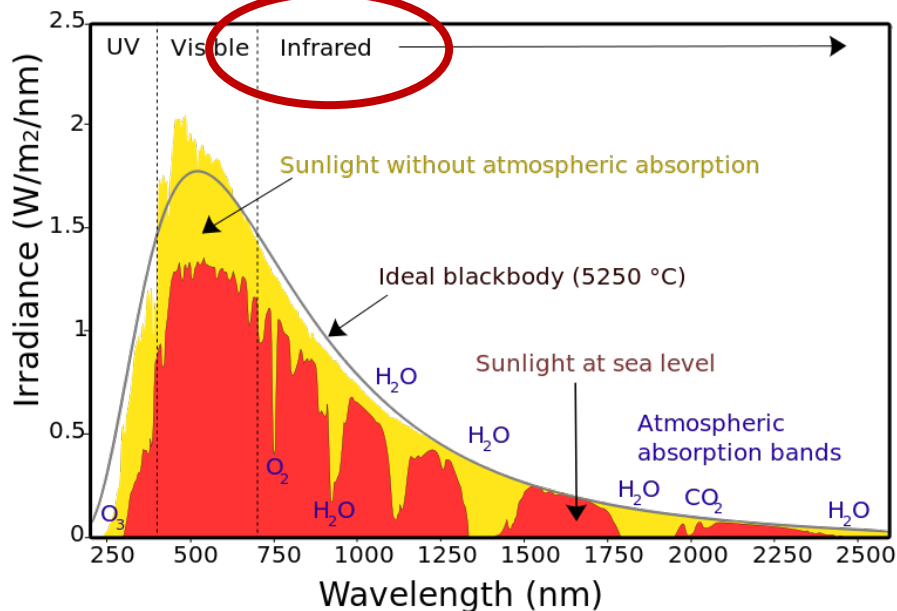
Thermoelectricity

Chaos

Infrared radiation



Spectrum of Solar Radiation (Earth)



Use natural sources of infrared radiation

← **Solar spectrum**

Fire →
Black-body radiation



Infrared radiation

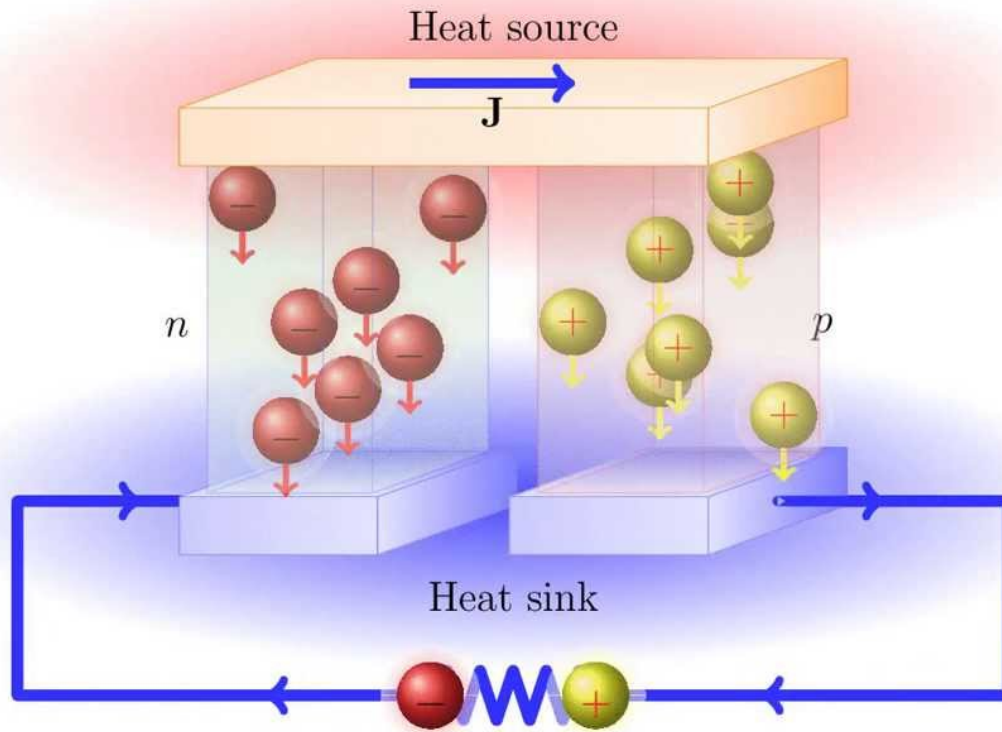
... and transform the
radiation into usable
energy...



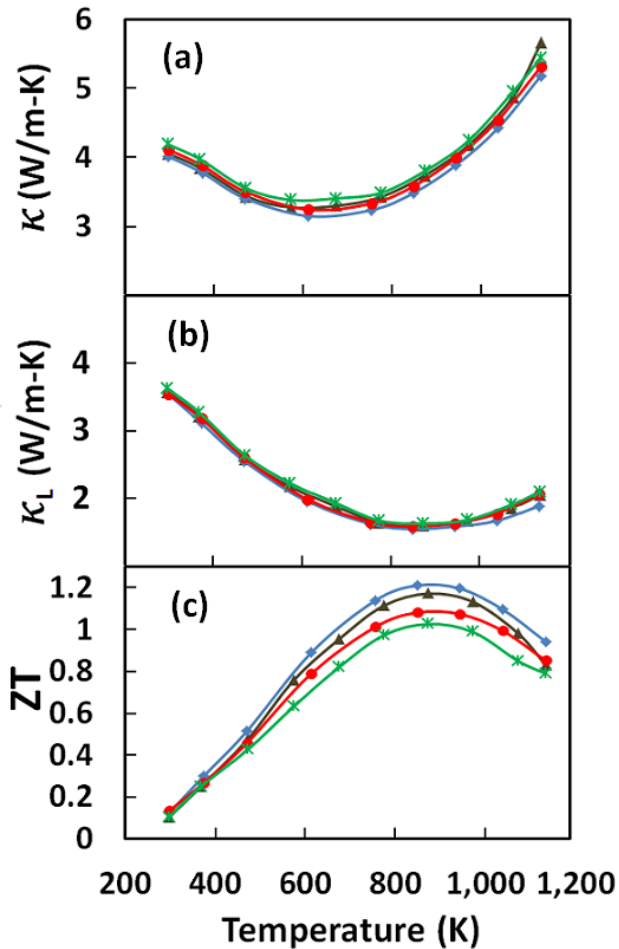
...available **day**
and **night!**

Thermoelectricity

Seebeck effect



Thermoelectricity



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Uncovering High Thermoelectric Figure of Merit in (Hf,Zr)NiSn Half-Heusler Alloys

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Chaos



Chaotic orbits

Solitary waves



Chaos

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Self-generation and management of spin-electromagnetic wave solitons and chaos

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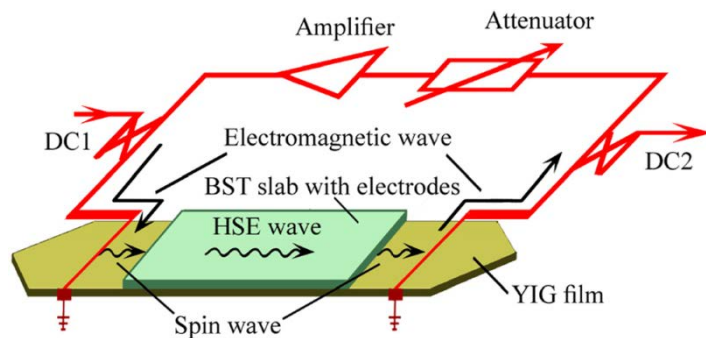


FIG. 1. Ferrite-ferroelectric active ring experimental structure.

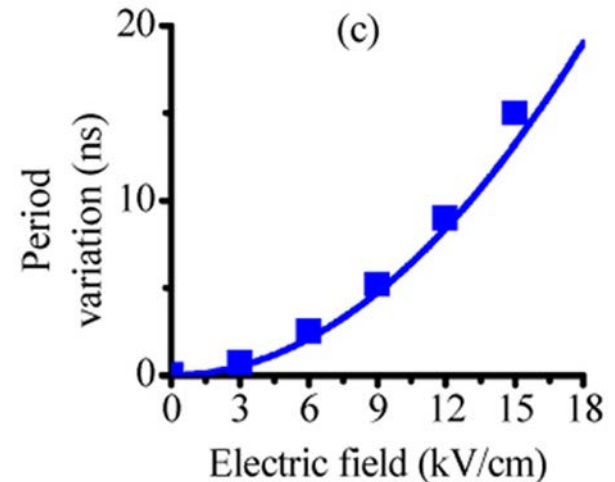


FIG. 4. (c) the variation of the soliton repetition period.

**Infrared radiation and
Thermoelectricity**

Infrared radiation and Chaos

Thermoelectricity and Chaos

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Seebeck Nanoantennas for Solar Energy Harvesting

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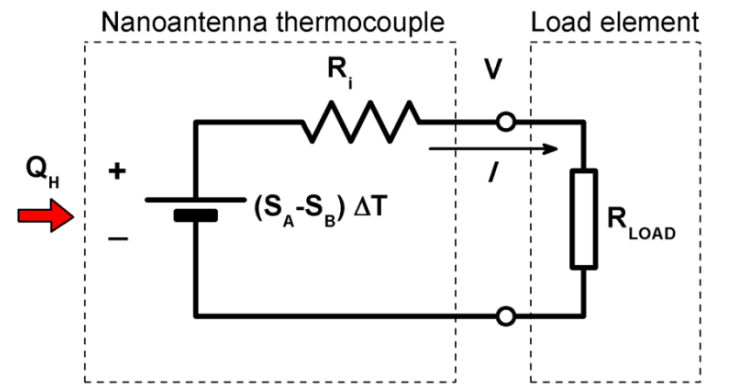


FIG. 2. DC equivalent circuit model of a Seebeck nanoantenna.

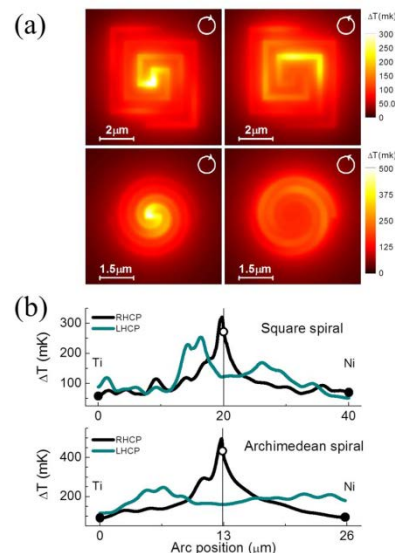
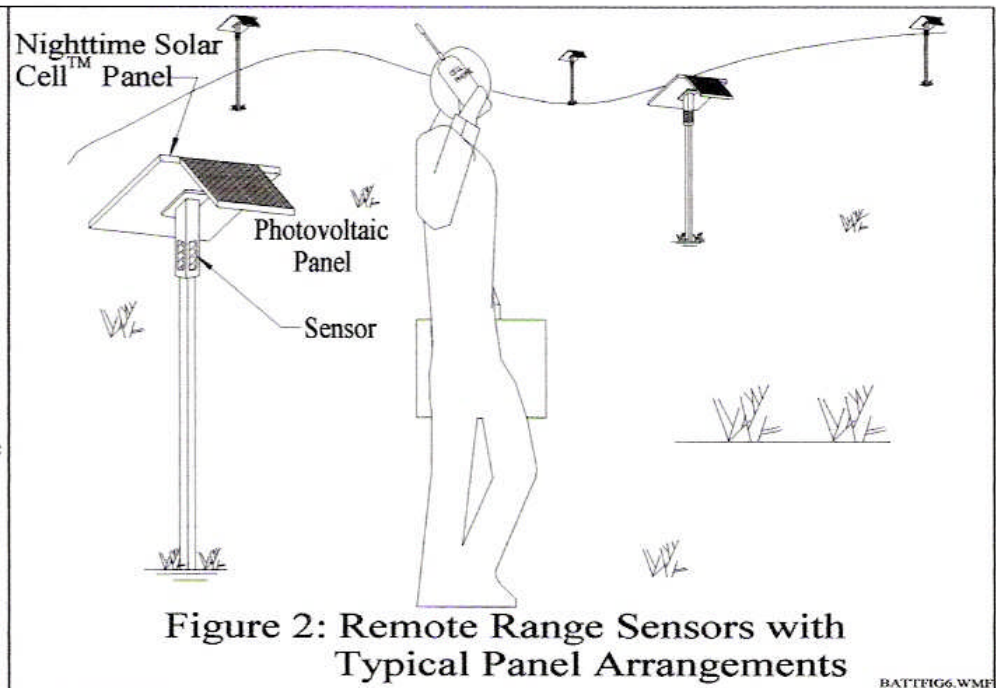
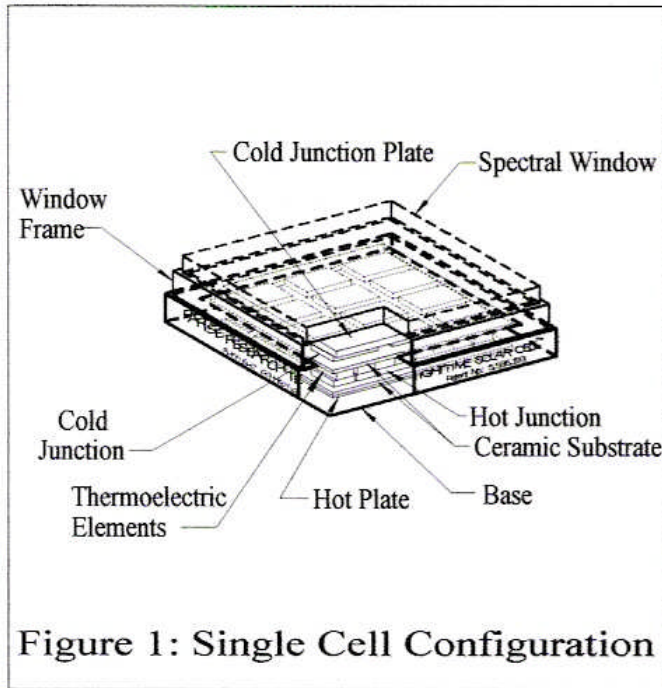


FIG. 3. (a) Temperature map of spirals Seebeck nanoantennas taken from a plane 50 nm below its surface.

(b) Temperature profile all along the arms of the structures. The simulations were performed for two different polarization states: right-handed (RHCP) and left handed (LHCP) circular polarization of incident light at 10.6 μm.

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The Nighttime Solar Cell® by **R. J. Parise**

R. J. Parise and G. F. Jones, *Prototype data from the Nighttime solar cell™*,
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Infrared radiation and Thermoelectricity

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*Transient response of a thermoelectric generator subjected to spatially non-uniform heating: implications for **heat** and **IR** sensing applications*

Abstract:

We present a combined experimental and finite element computational investigation of the transient behavior of a **thermoelectric generator** (TEG) subjected to small temperature gradients of less than 0.5 K across its thickness. Spatially non-uniform heating was initiated by allowing light to strike the central portion of one side of the TEG or by placing a small heated probe in contact with that surface. The time-dependent, open circuit voltage output of the TEG was predicted using temperature results from a three dimensional transient heat conduction finite element model. Three-dimensional heat conduction in the TEG determines the nature of the transient voltage output, which, in some cases, exhibits an overshoot.

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Infrared radiation and Chaos

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Matched **infrared soliton** pairs in graphene under Landau quantization via four-wave mixing

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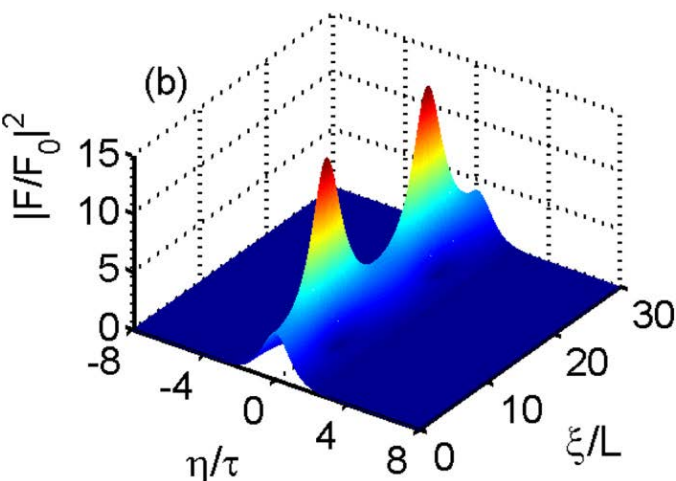
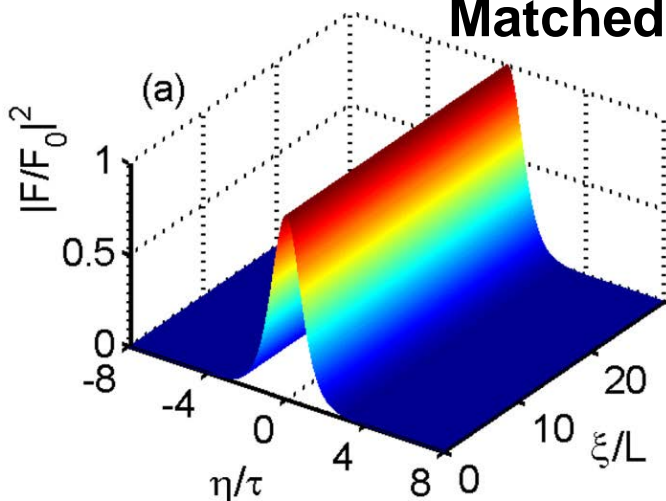


FIG. 4. Surface plots of the relative intensities of pulsed probe and FWM fields versus dimensionless time η/τ and distance ξ/L for (a) the fundamental **bright soliton** and (b) the **bright soliton of second order**, which is obtained by numerically solving Eq. (36) without ignoring the imaginary part of coefficients with $L = 0.1$ cm, $\tau = 3.33 \times 10^{-14}$ s, and other parameters are explained in the text.

Thermoelectricity and Chaos

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Increasing Thermoelectric Efficiency: A Dynamical Systems Approach

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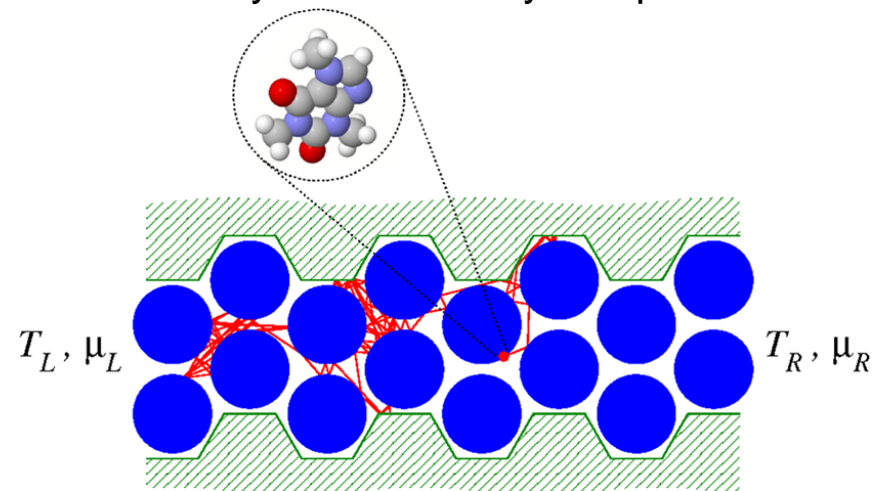
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Inspired by the **kinetic theory of ergodic gases and chaotic billiards**, we propose a simple microscopic mechanism for the increase of **thermoelectric efficiency**. We consider the cross transport of particles and energy in open classical ergodic billiards. We show that, in the linear response regime, where we find exact expressions for all transport coefficients, the thermoelectric efficiency of ideal ergodic gases can approach the Carnot efficiency for sufficiently complex charge carrier molecules. Our results are clearly demonstrated with a simple numerical simulation of a Lorentz gas of particles with internal rotational degrees of freedom.



**Infrared radiation,
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**... and transform the
infrared radiation into
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Battery-assisted and Photovoltaic-sourced Switched-inductor CMOS Harvesting Charger–Supply

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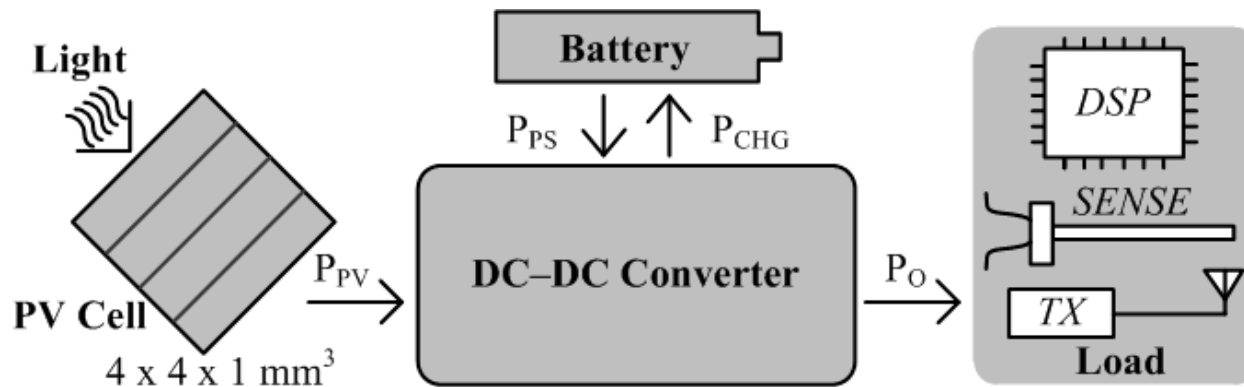


FIG. 1. Battery-assisted and photovoltaic-sourced wireless microsensor.

... and transform the
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Self-powered signal processing using vibration-based power generation

R. Amirtharajah and A. P. Chandrakasan

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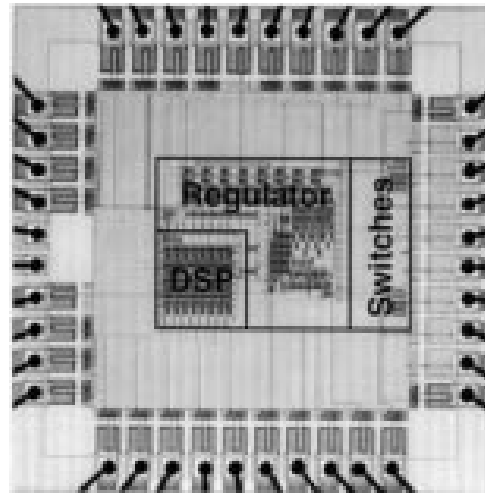


FIG. 17. A die photo of the chip which integrates the load DSP, the critical path VCO, the regulator circuit, and the power switches. The controller is fairly simple, requiring only 2247 transistors out of the 5k total number.



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Infrared power generation:

fundamental understanding, applications and benefits



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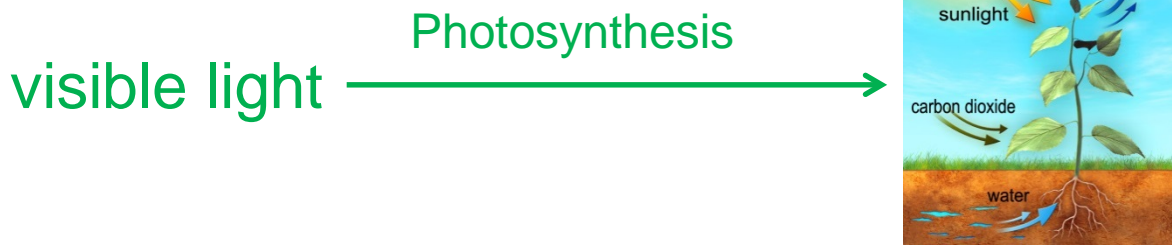
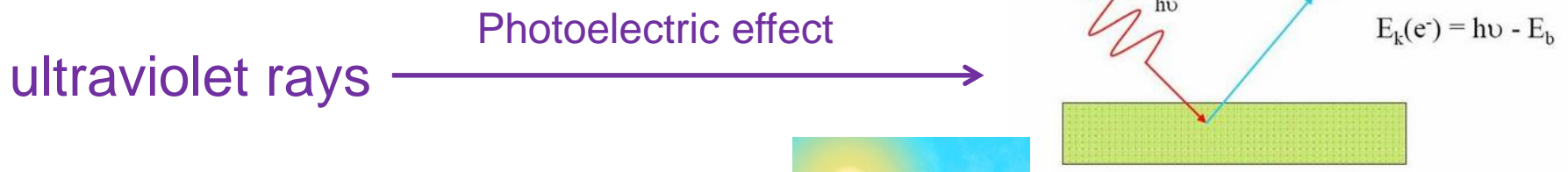
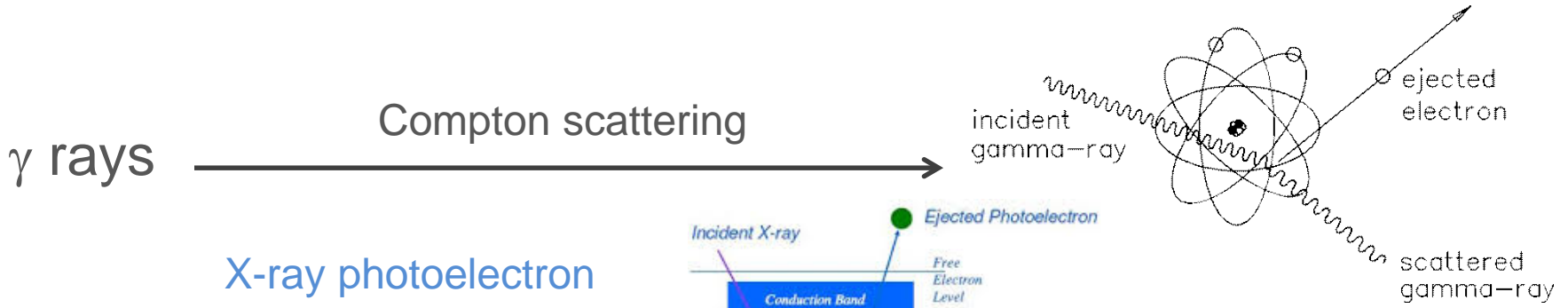
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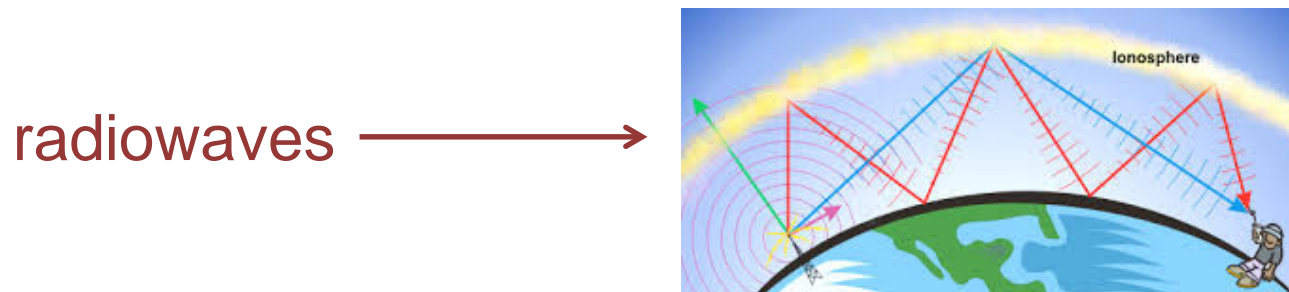
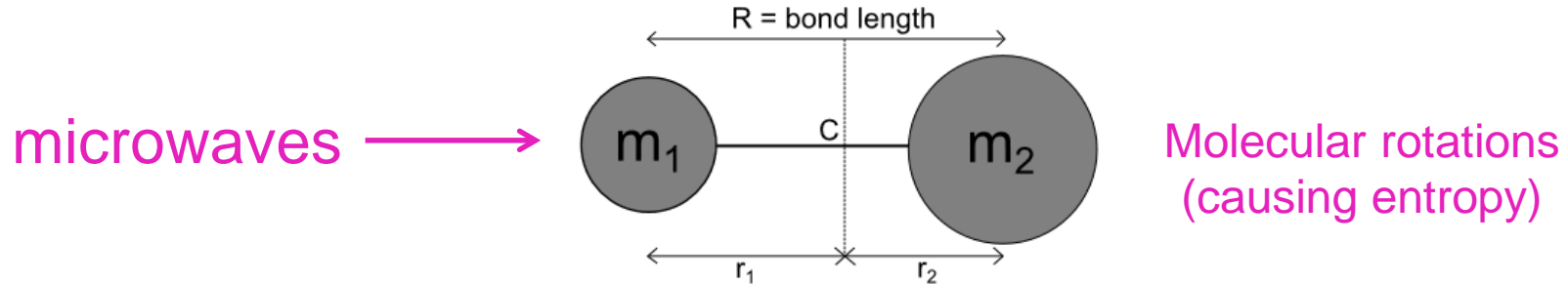
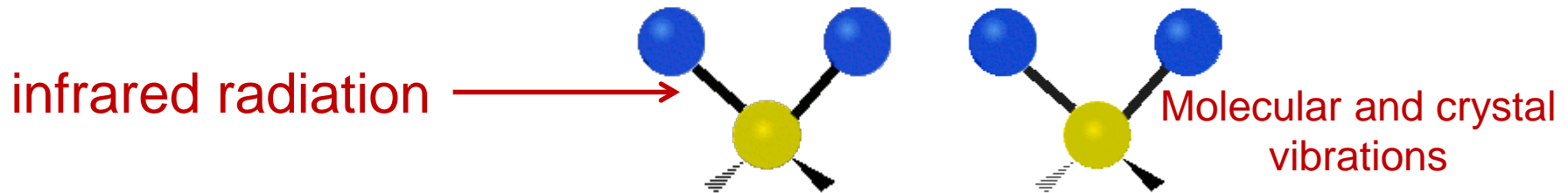
Infrared

High energy electromagnetic radiation and matter ($\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}$)



Infrared

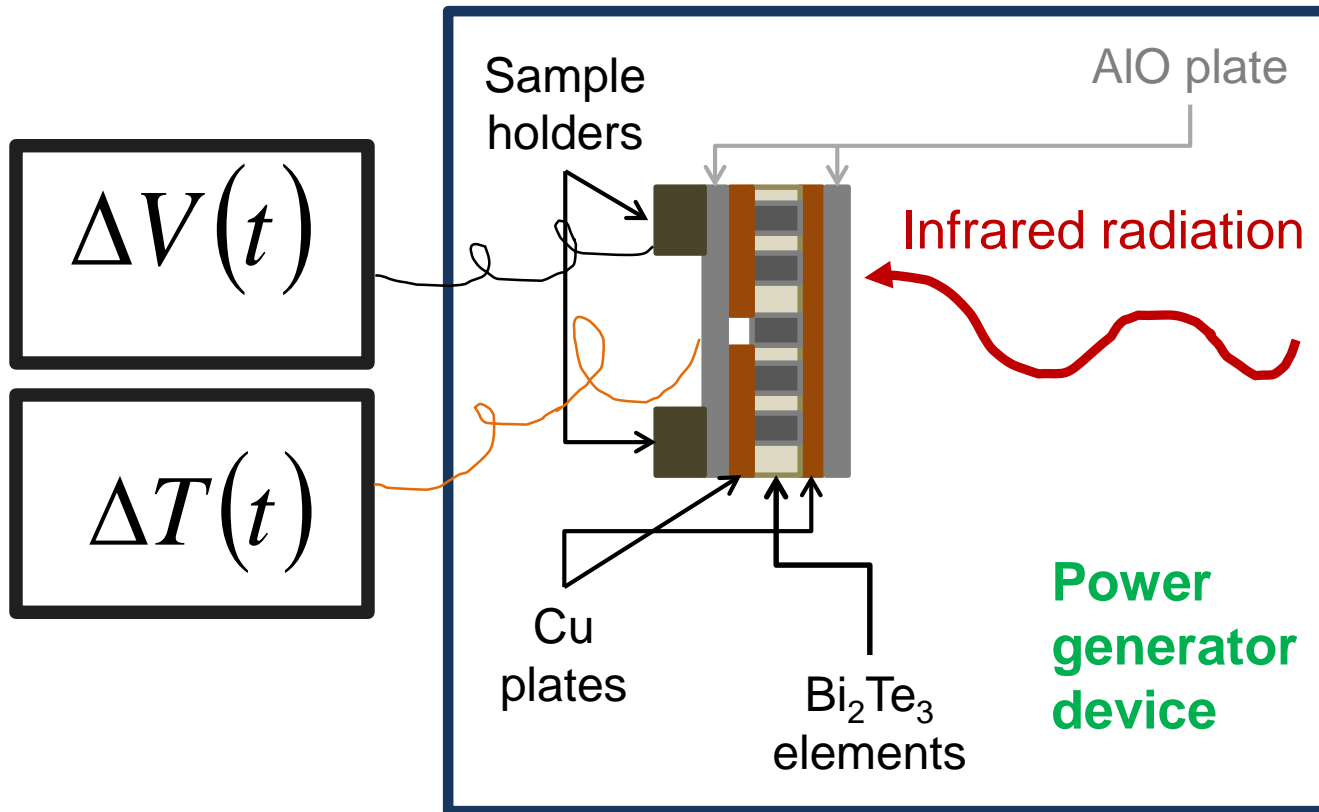
Low energy electromagnetic radiation and matter ($\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{H}$)



Infrared and Thermoelectricity



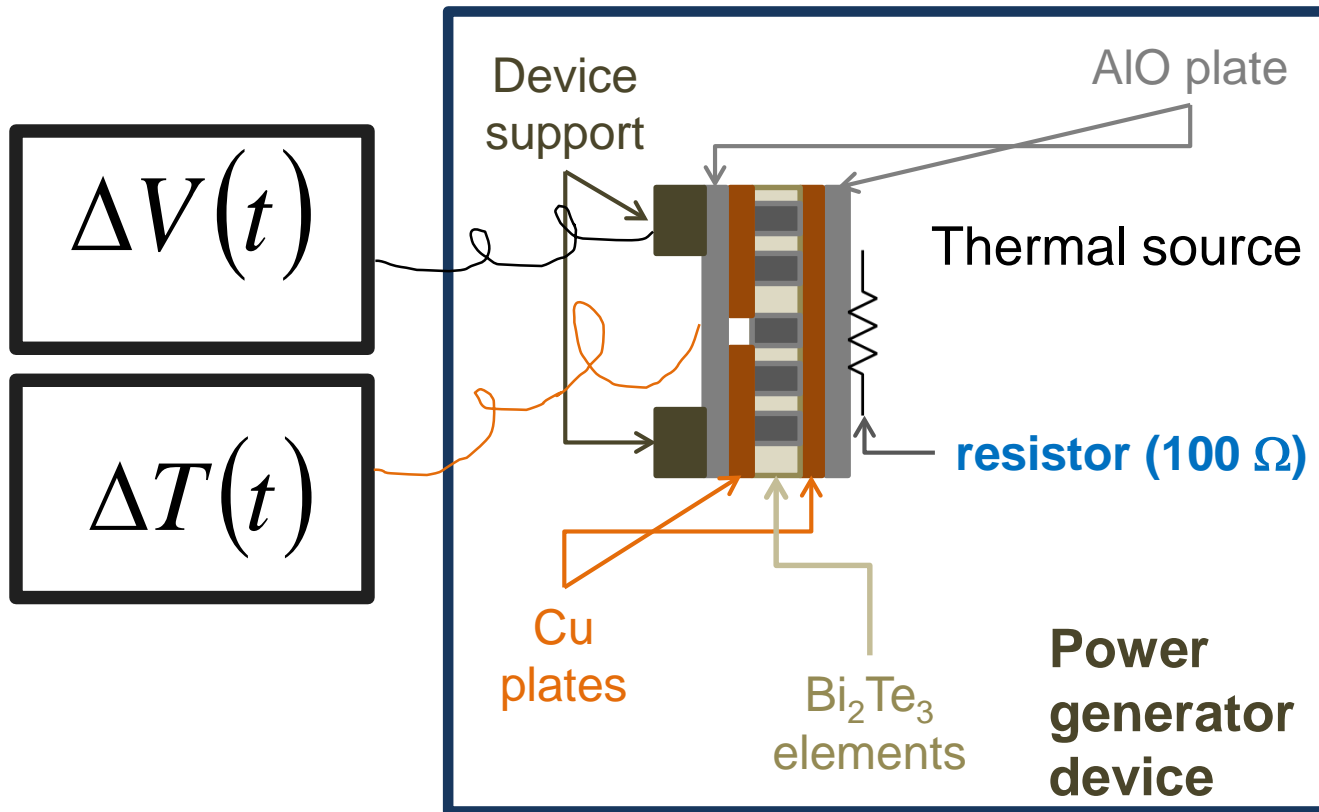
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Infrared and Thermoelectricity



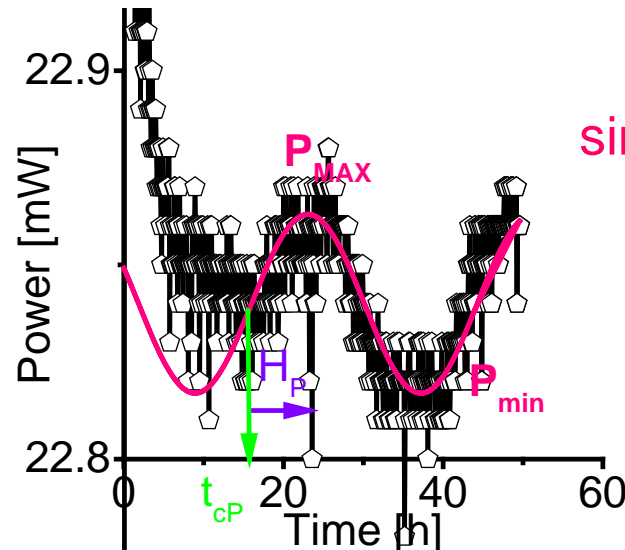
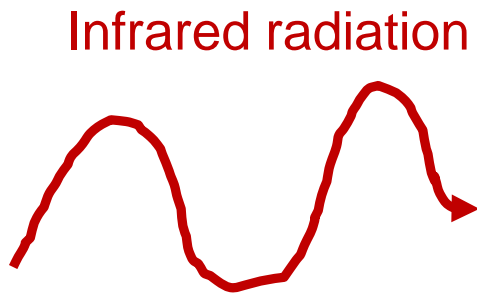
Experimental method:



Here conductive and convective heat transfer coexist!

What is the **key** to connect
Infrared radiation,
to Thermoelectricity
and **Chaos**?

Infrared, Thermoelectricity and Chaos

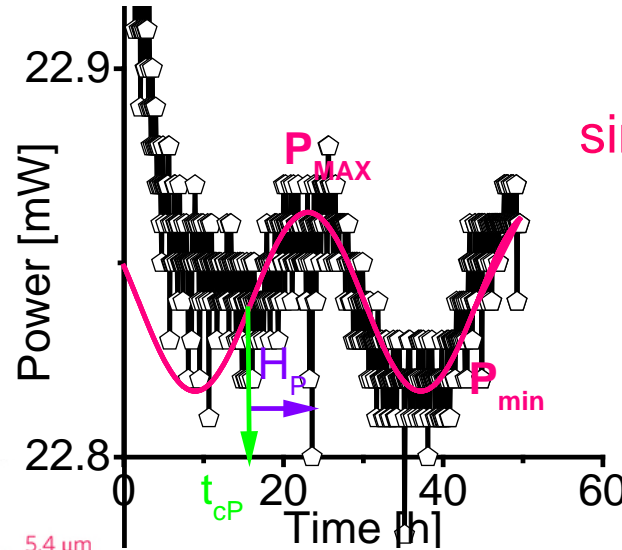
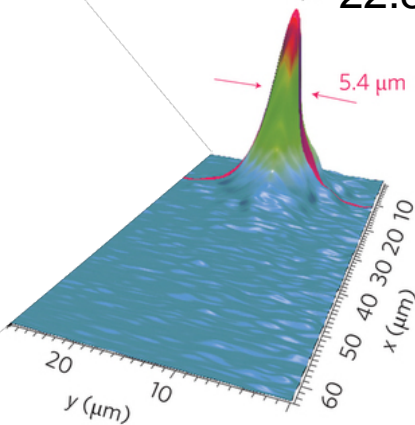
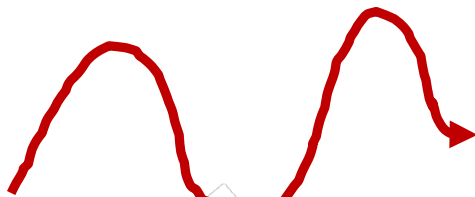


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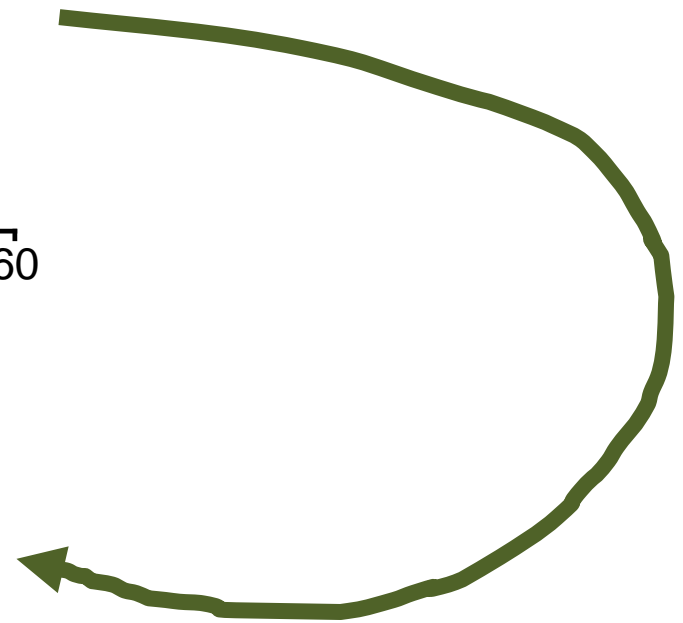
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Infrared radiation



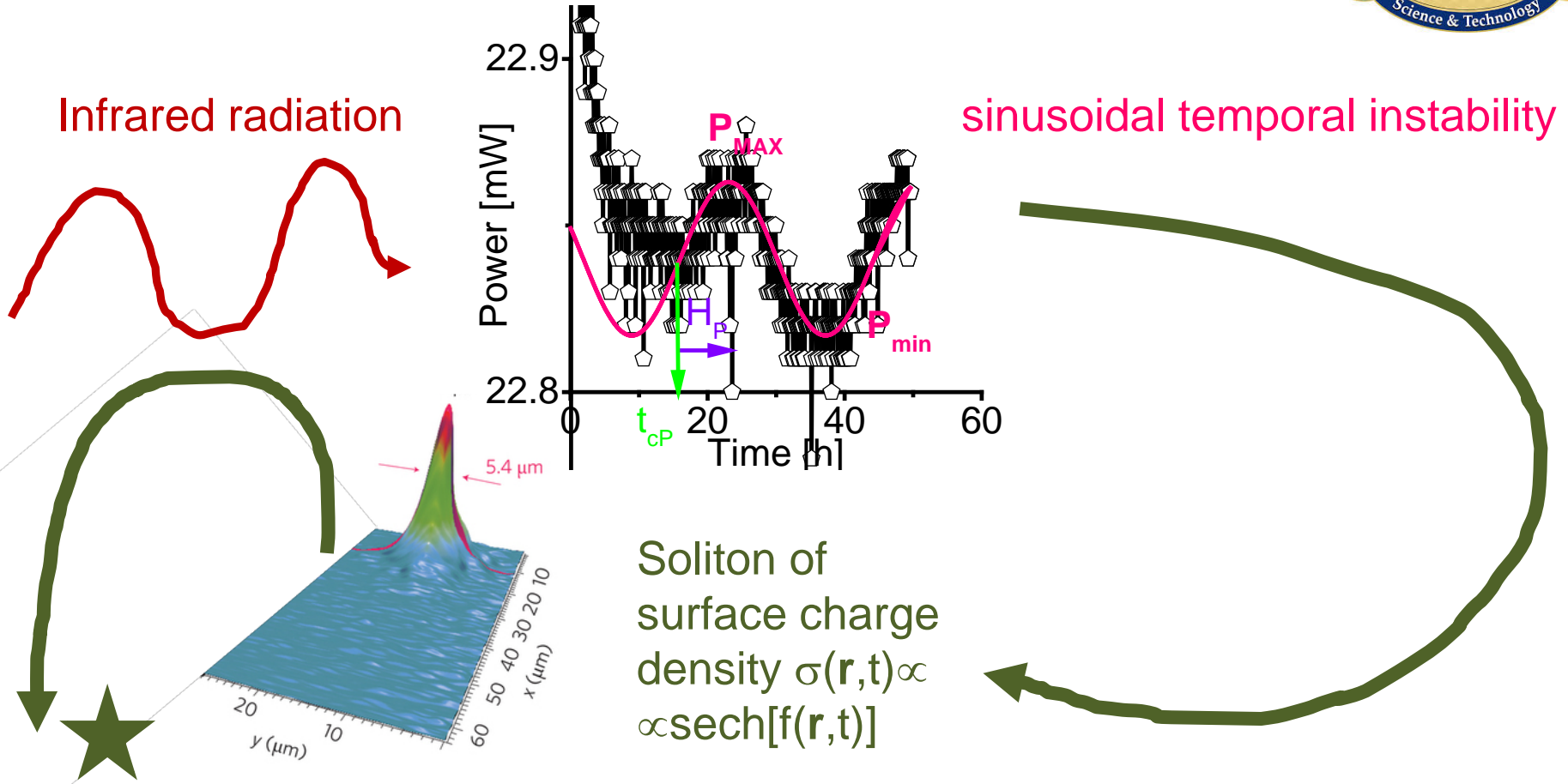
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Soliton of surface charge density $\sigma(\mathbf{r},t) \propto \text{sech}[f(\mathbf{r},t)]$

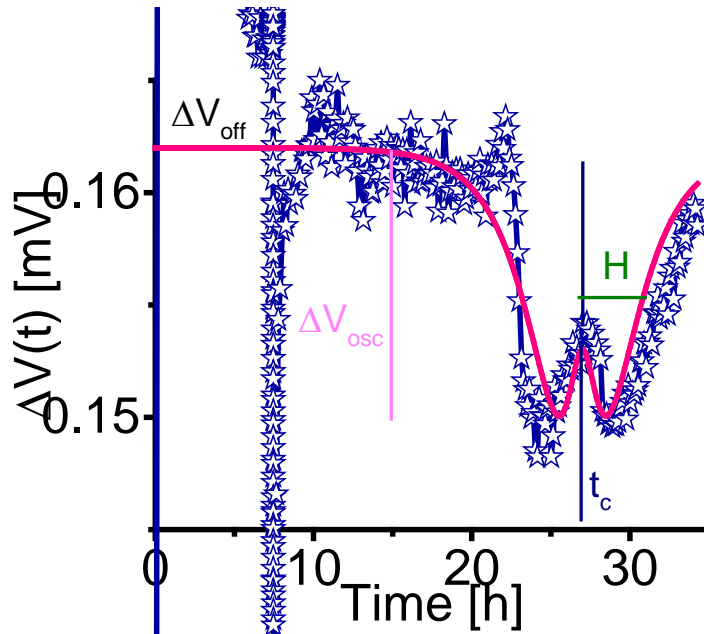
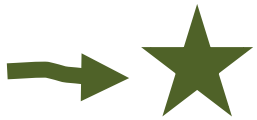
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$$\Delta V(t) = \sum_{j=1}^L \Delta V_{off-j} + \Delta V_{osc-j} * \text{sech} \left(\frac{t - t_{c-j}}{H_j} \right)$$

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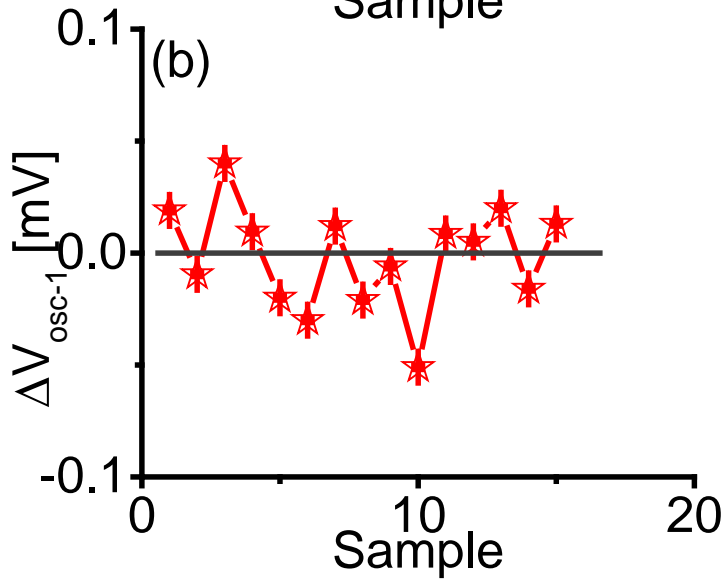
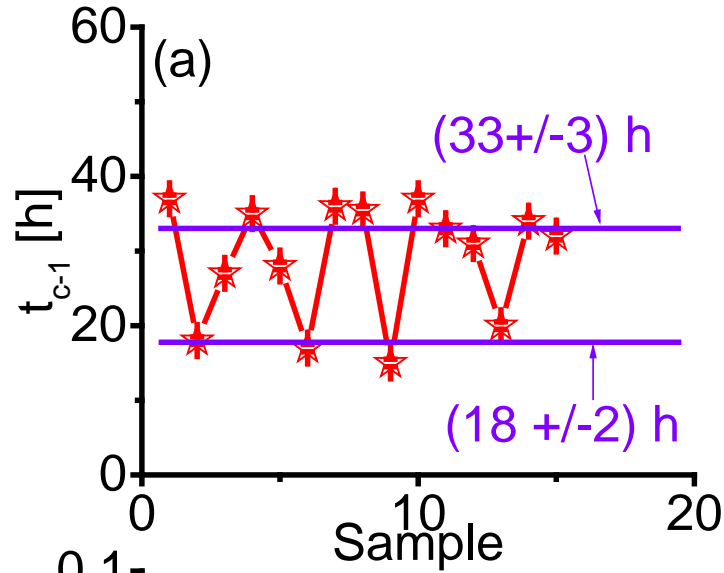
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Anomalous soliton, solution of the “flipped” Korteweg de Vries equation:

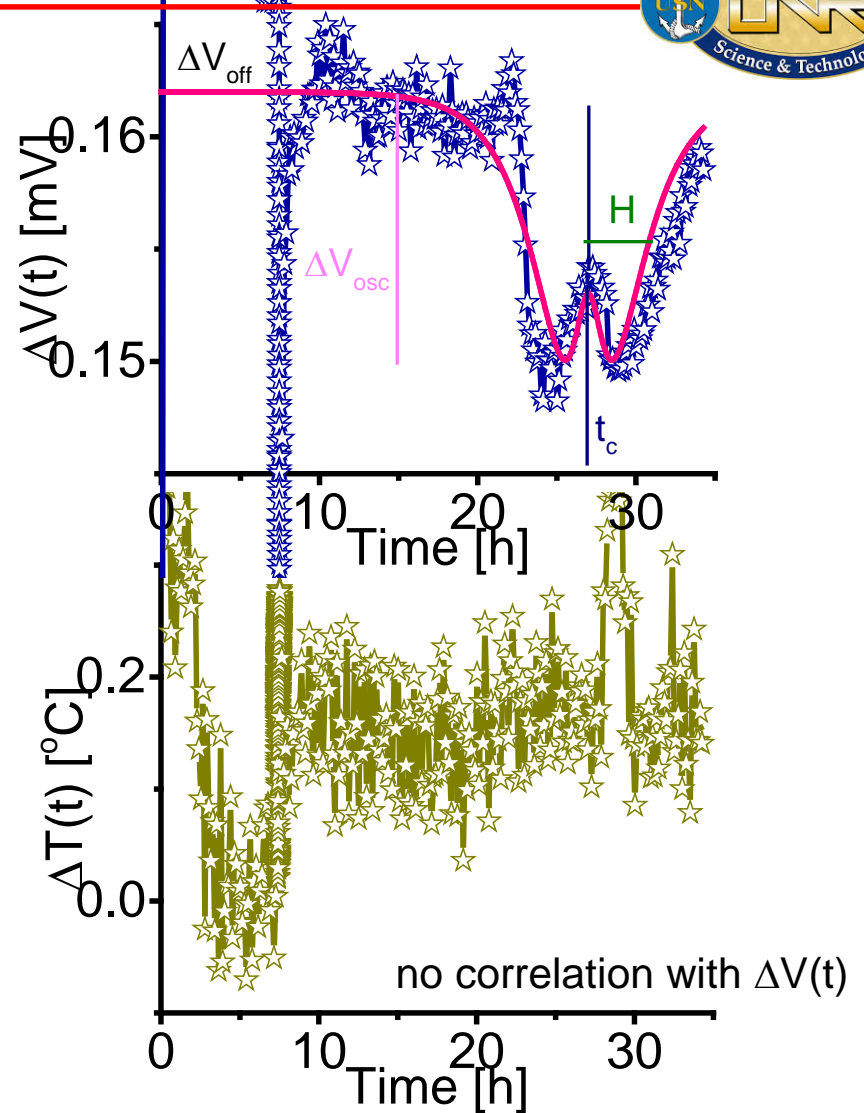
$$\sigma(t) \Delta V(t) \frac{\partial \Delta V(t)}{\partial t} + \zeta(t) \frac{\partial^3 \Delta V(t)}{\partial t^3} = 0$$

Infrared excitation

Results - I

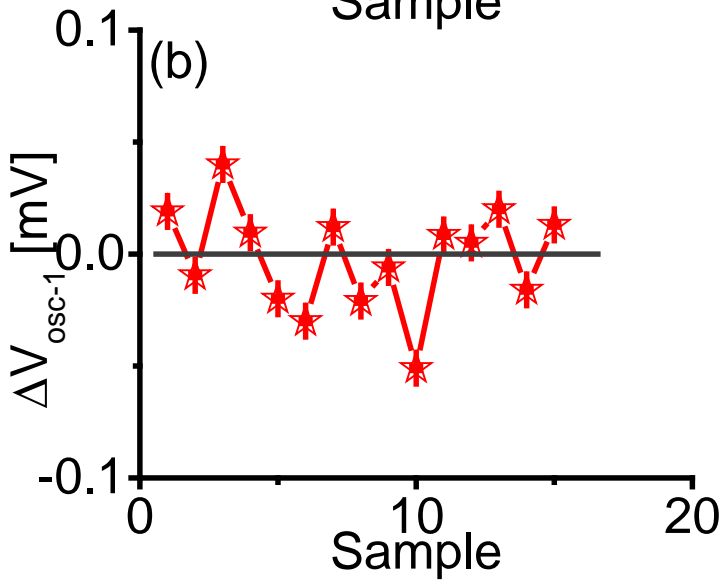
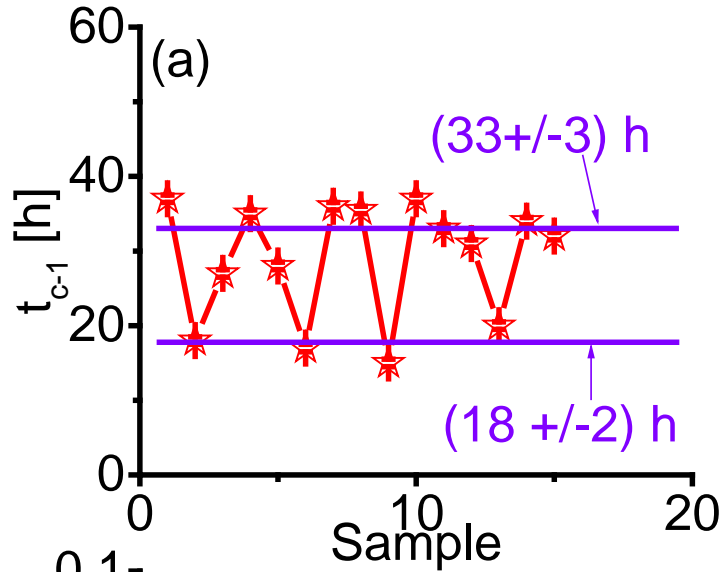


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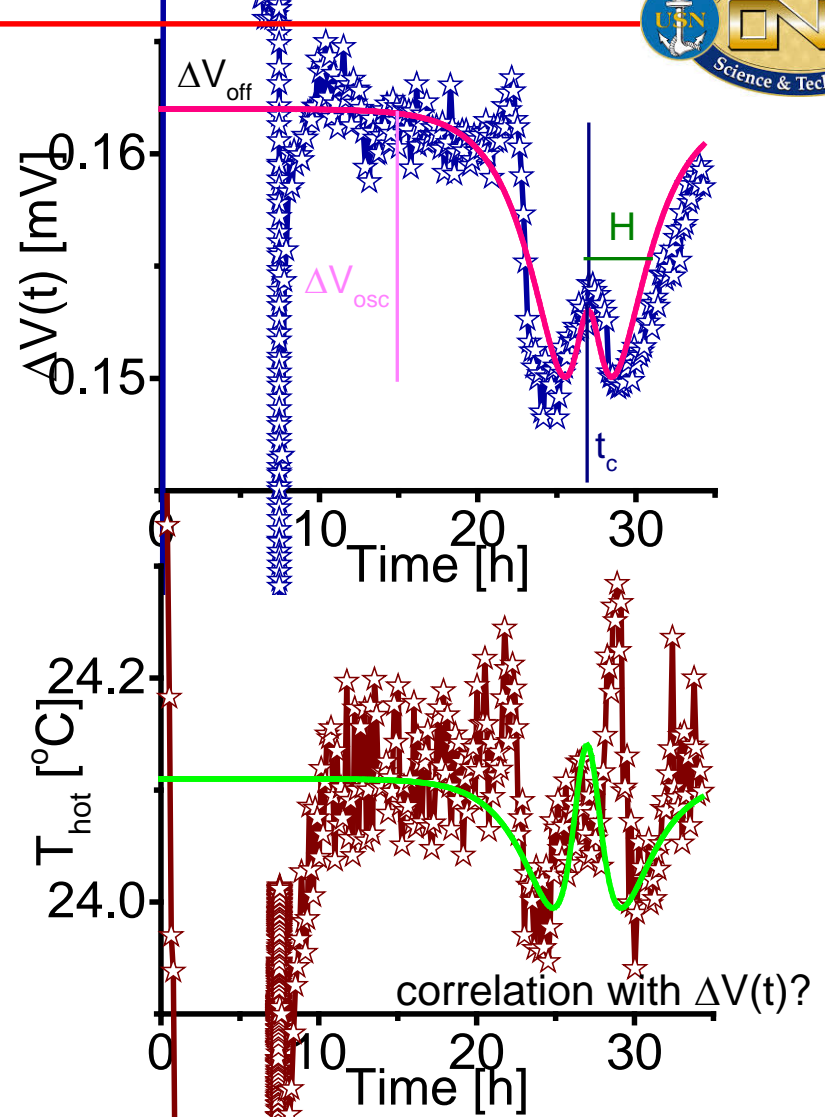


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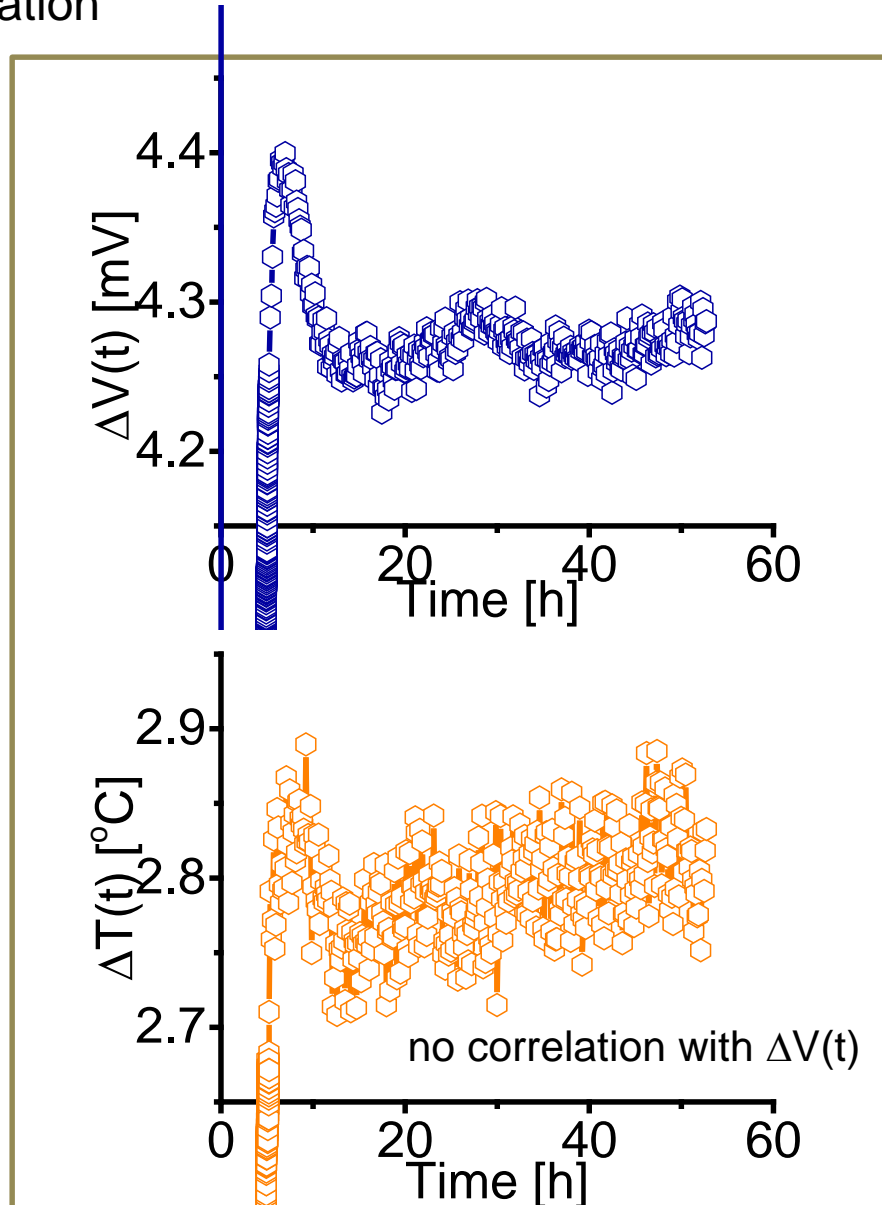


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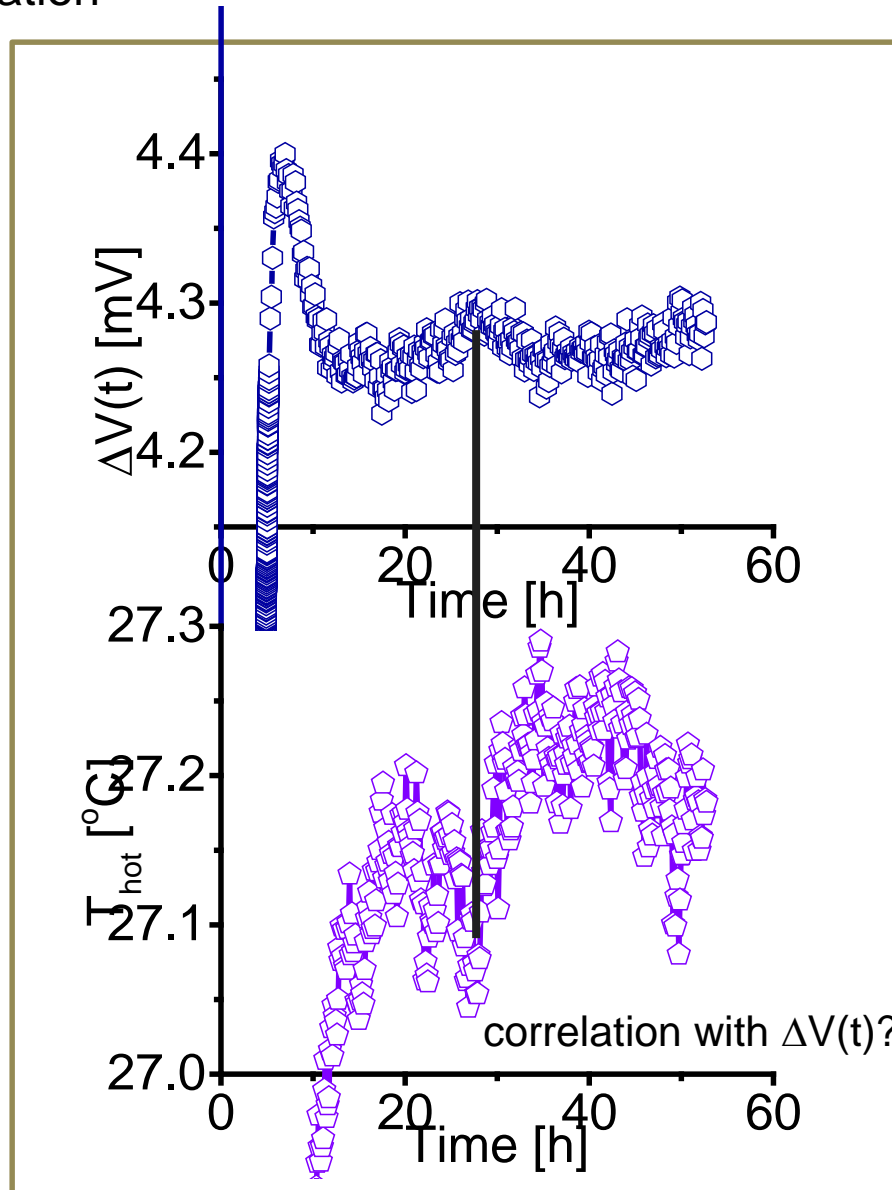
Thermal excitation

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Electric contribution:

$$\Delta E(t)_{el} = \sigma(\mathbf{r}, t) \Delta V(t)$$

$\sigma(\mathbf{r}, t)$ = charge density
 $\Delta V(t)$ = voltage difference

affects T_{hot} through motion of charges

Entropic contribution:

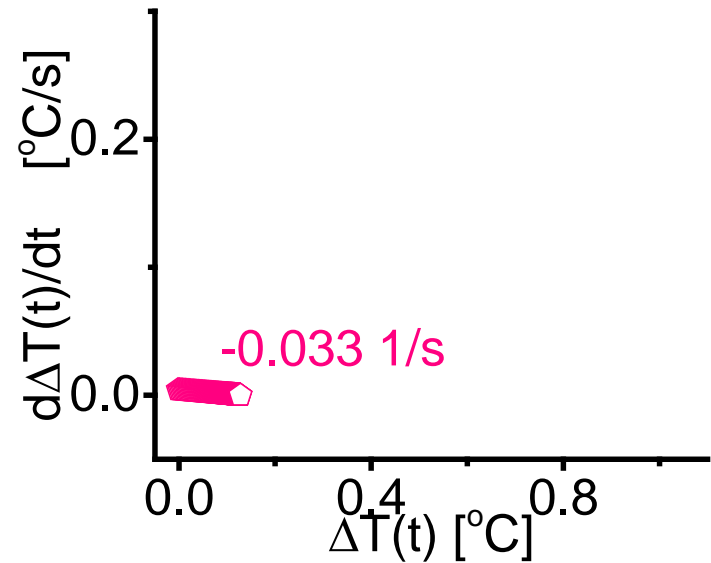
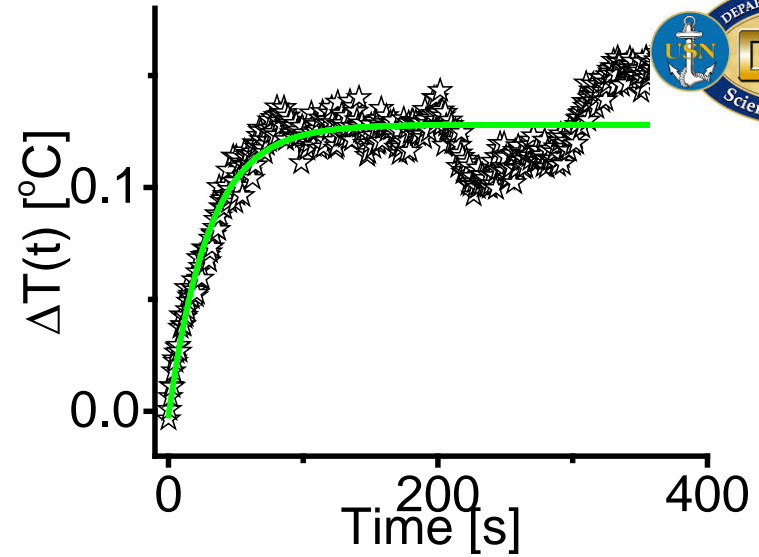
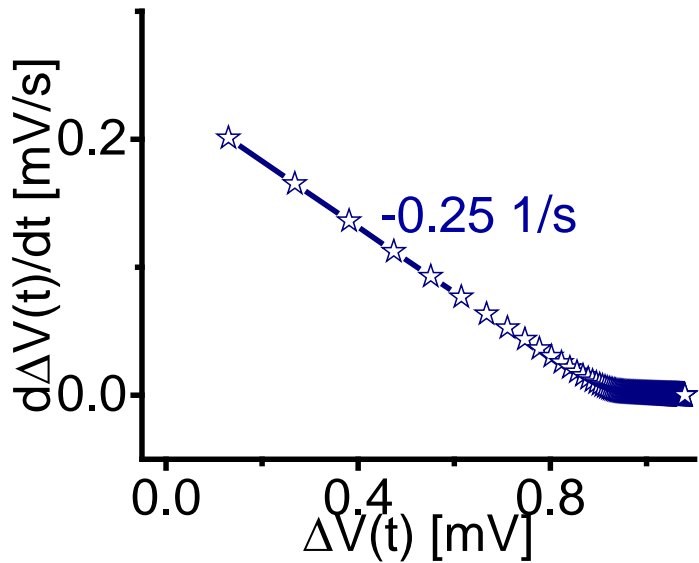
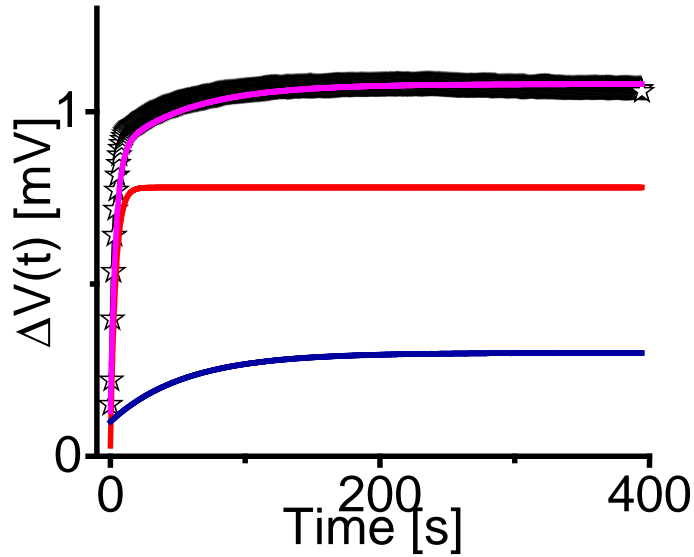
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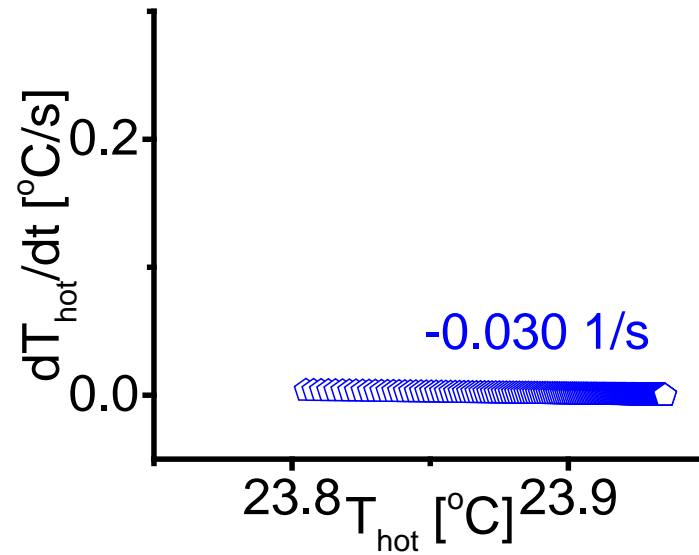
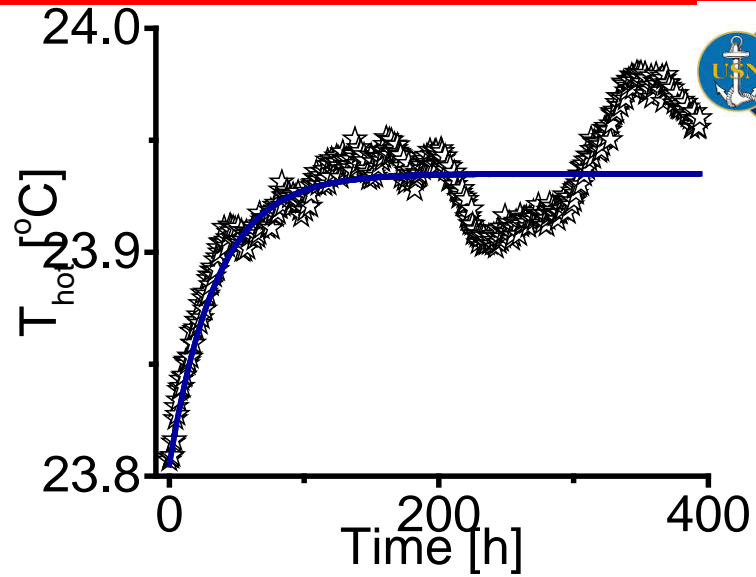
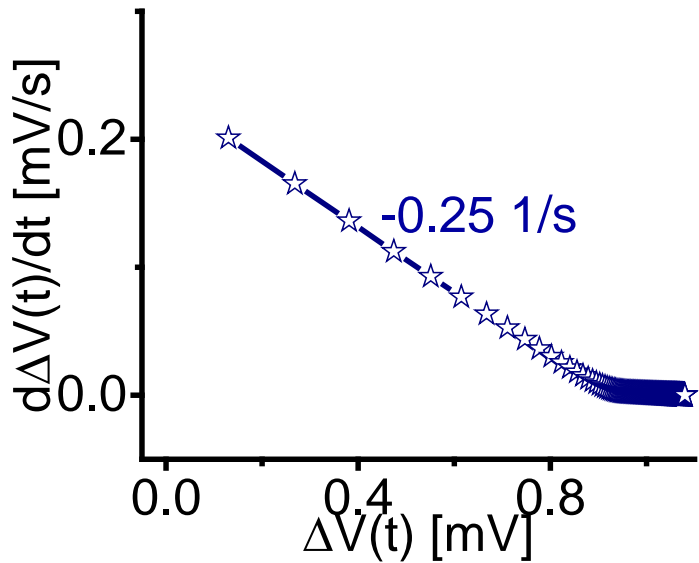
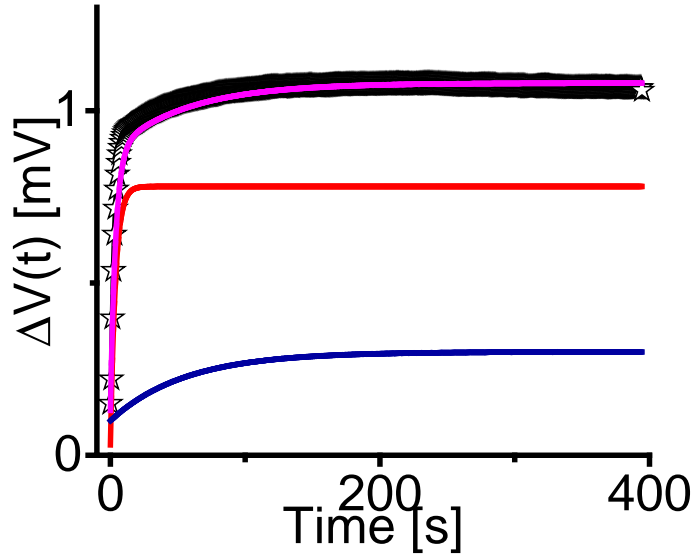
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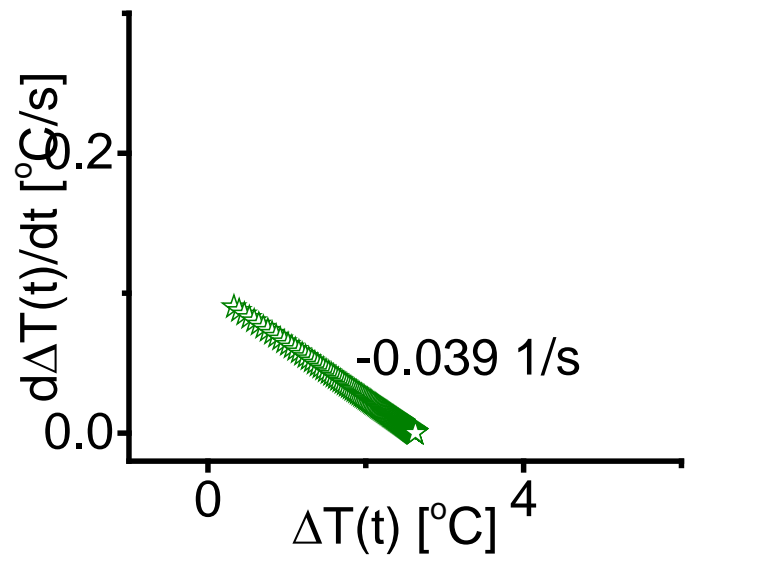
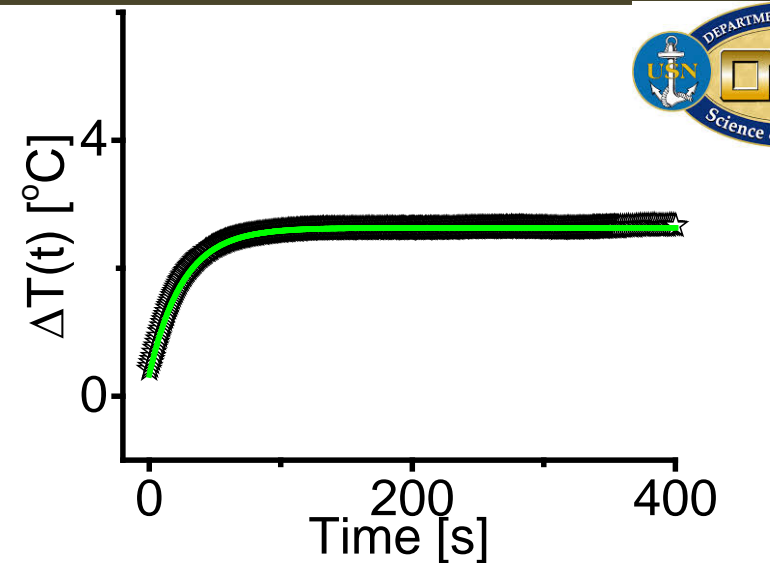
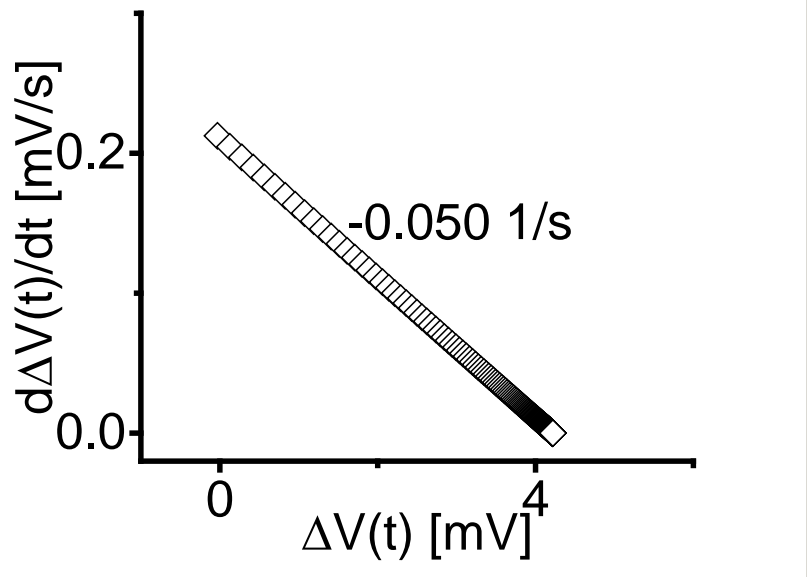
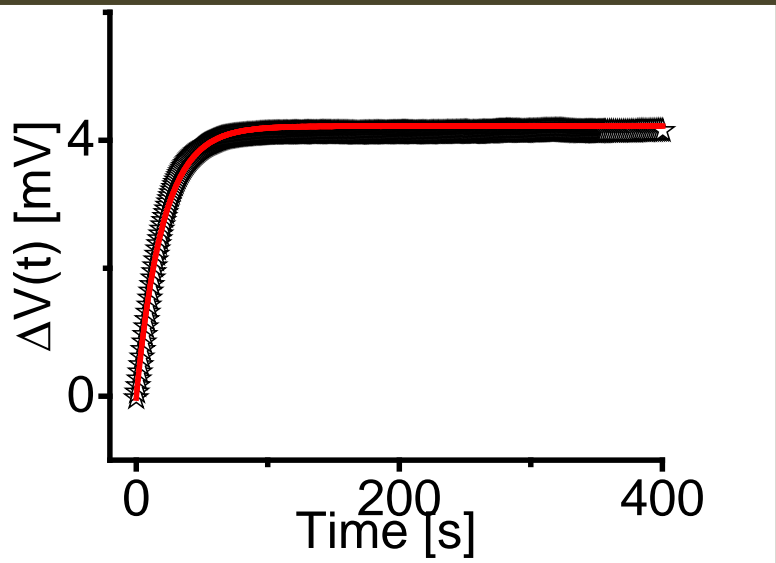
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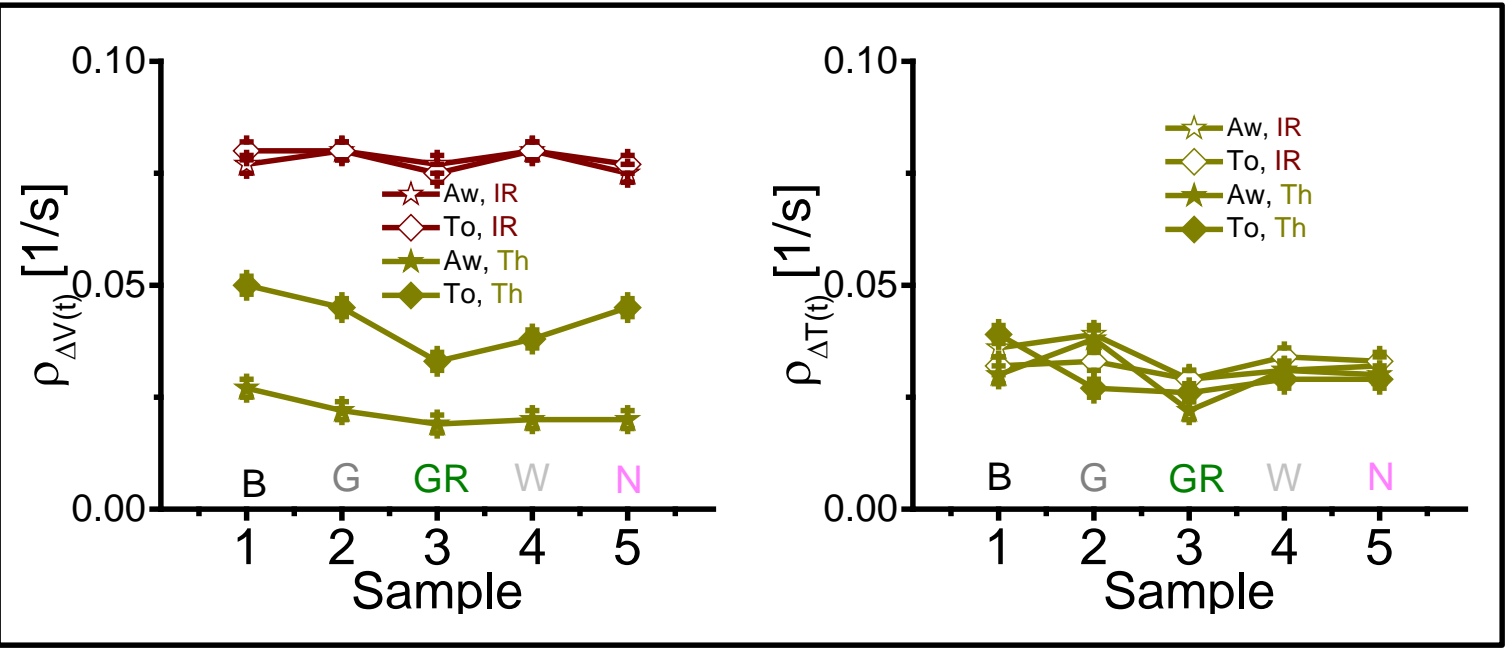


Thermal excitation

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$\rho_{\Delta V(t)}$ and $\rho_{\Delta T(t)}$ are the rates of increase of voltage and temperature differences

We acknowledge an **electric** and an **entropic** contribution to the energy transfer from **infrared** radiation to the device

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$\Sigma(t)$ = entropy
 $\Delta T(t)$ = temperature difference

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Conclusions



Voltage difference $\Delta V(t)$ production:

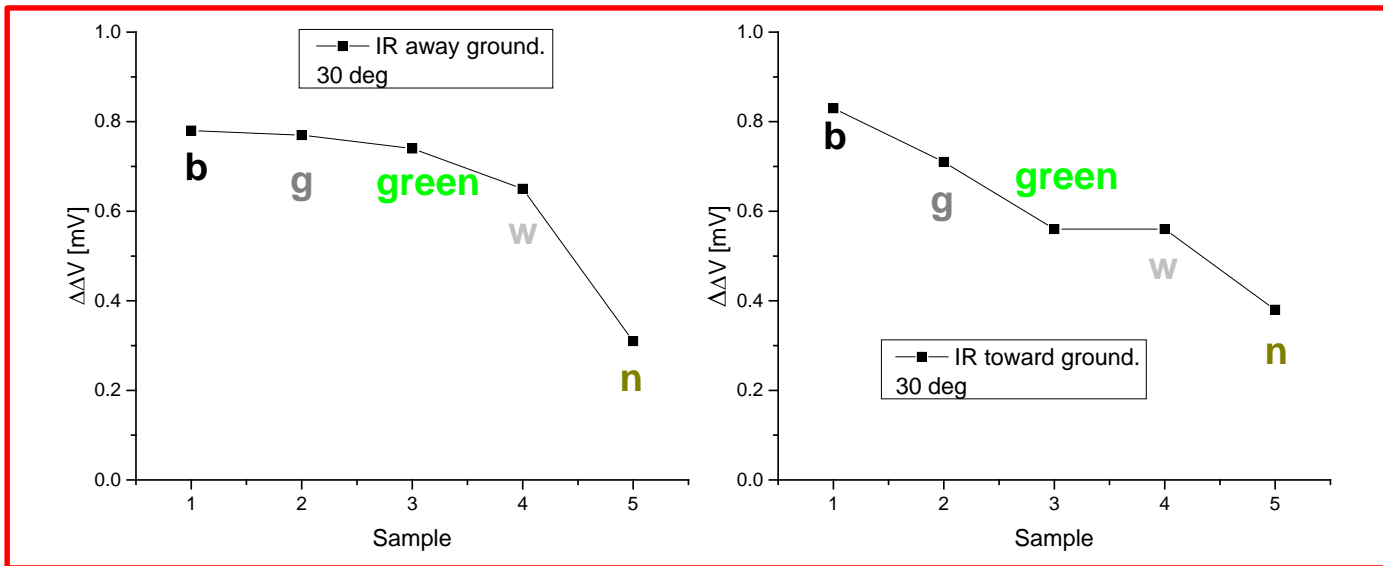
- 1) **Not limited** by the **entropic** contribution through ΔT
- 2) **enhanced** by the **electric** contribution!

Example 1: $\Delta V(t)$ **increase versus** of vinyl-based plastic **tape color** on illuminated face of power generator device

Example 2: $\Delta V(t)$ **increase versus number** of serially stacked power generator devices

Conclusions-I

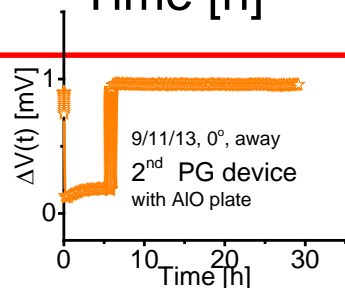
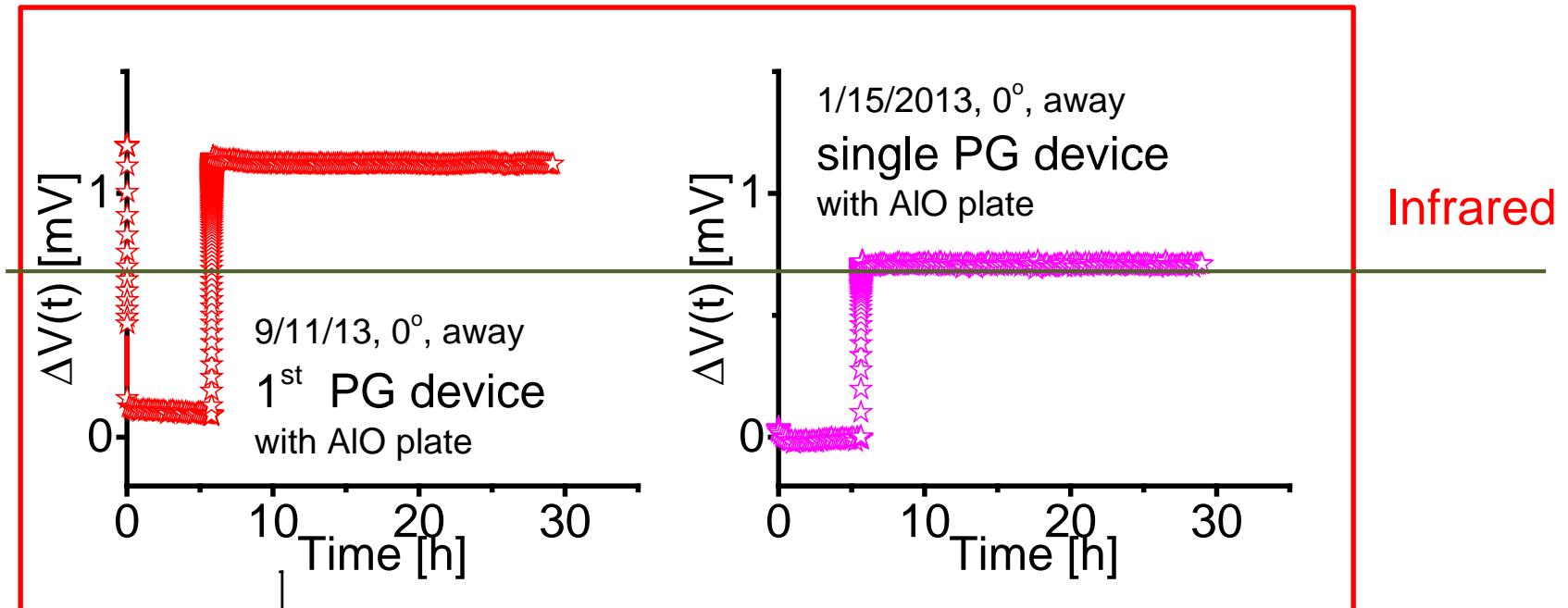
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Example 2: $\Delta V(t)$ increase versus number of serially stacked power generator devices





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