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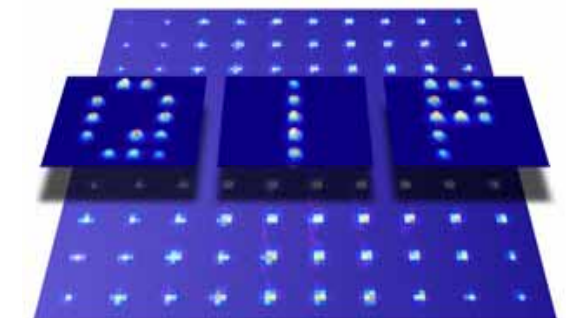
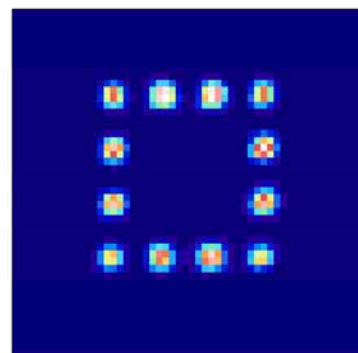
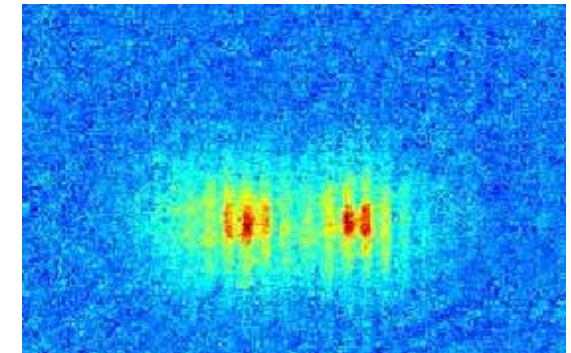
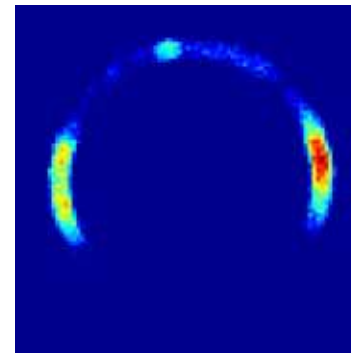


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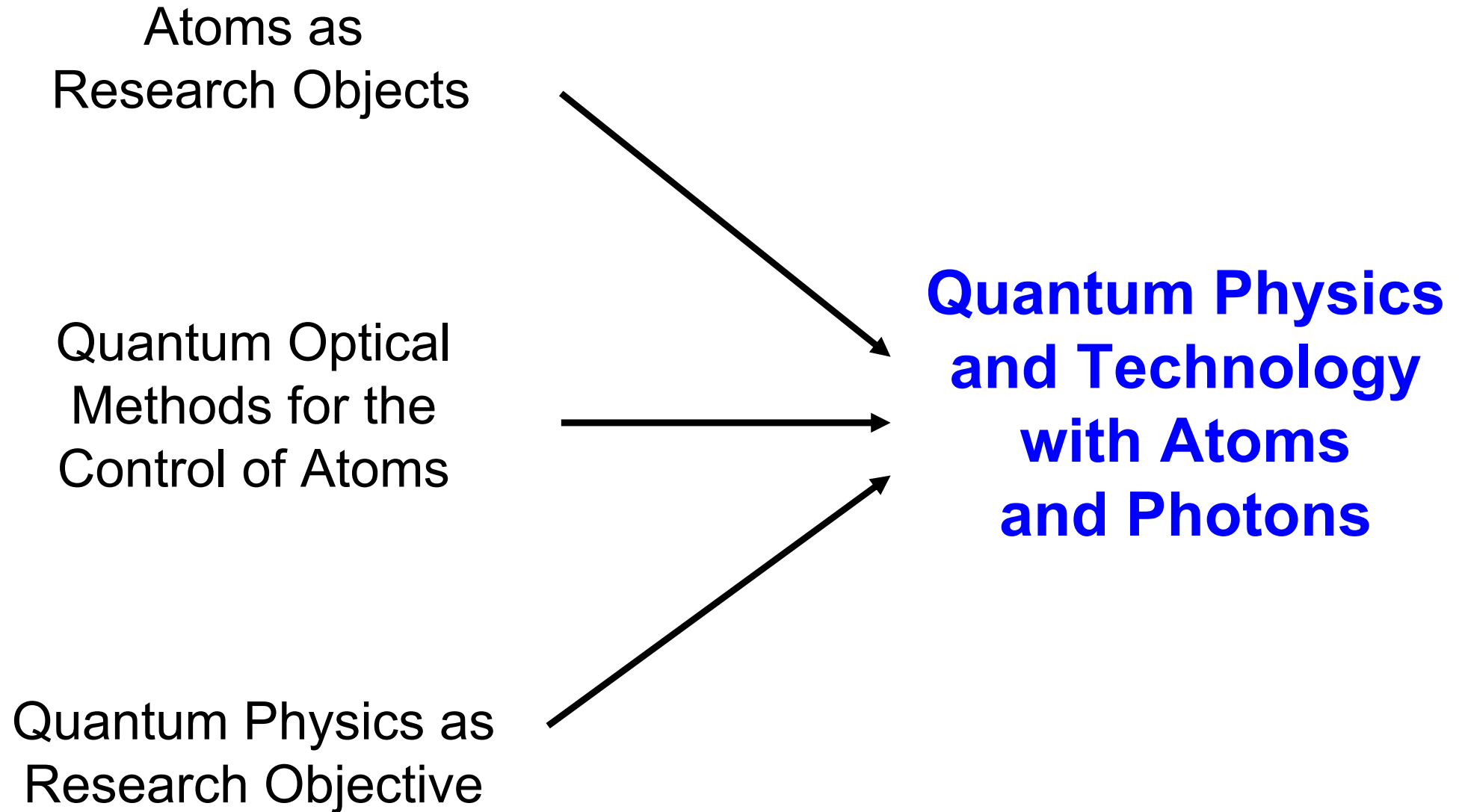
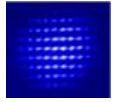
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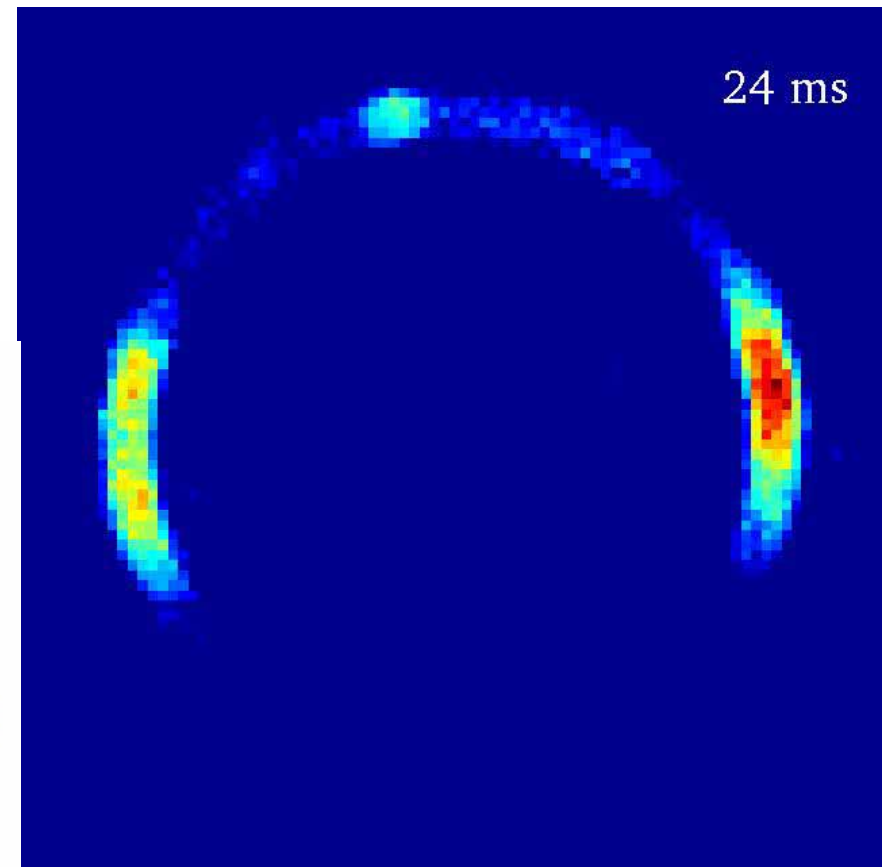
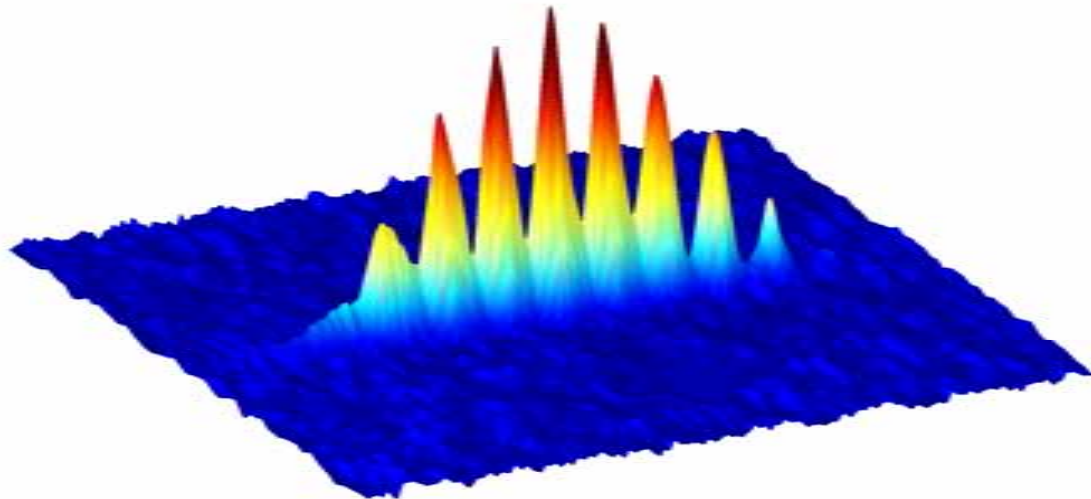
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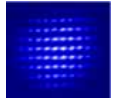
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## Part 1:

Coherent Matter Wave Optics  
in Waveguides and Optical  
Storage Rings: ATOMTRONICS

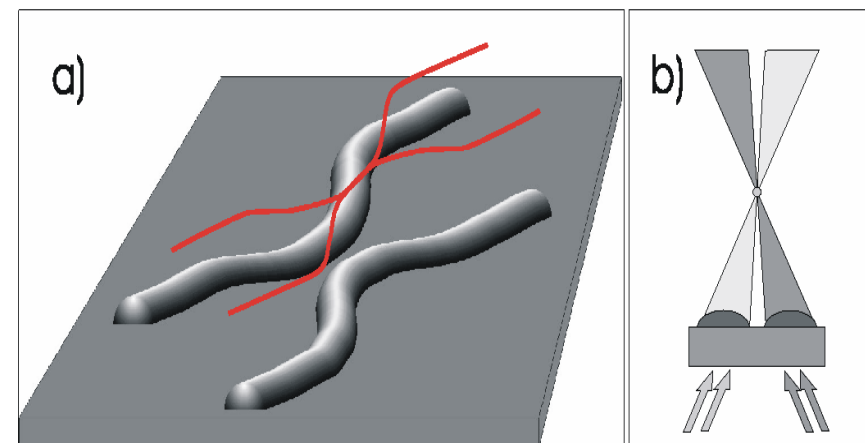
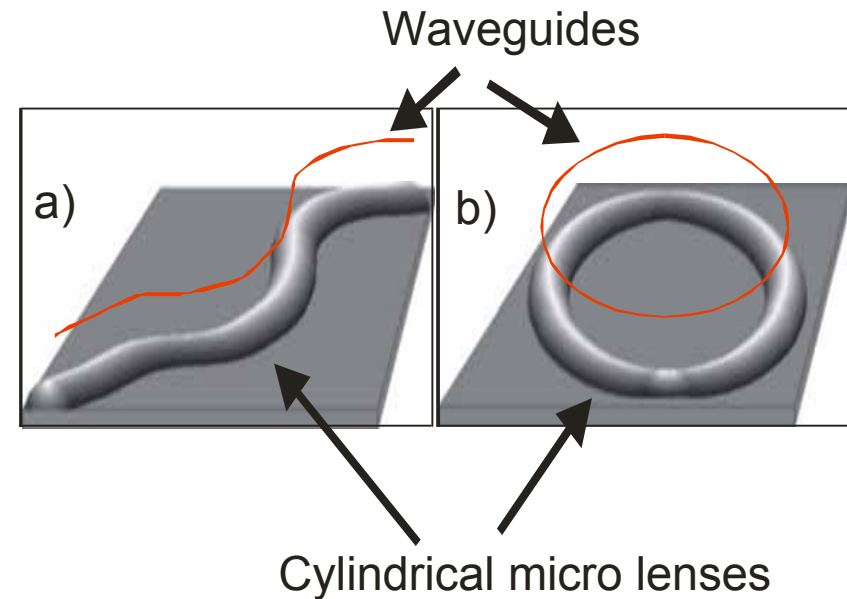
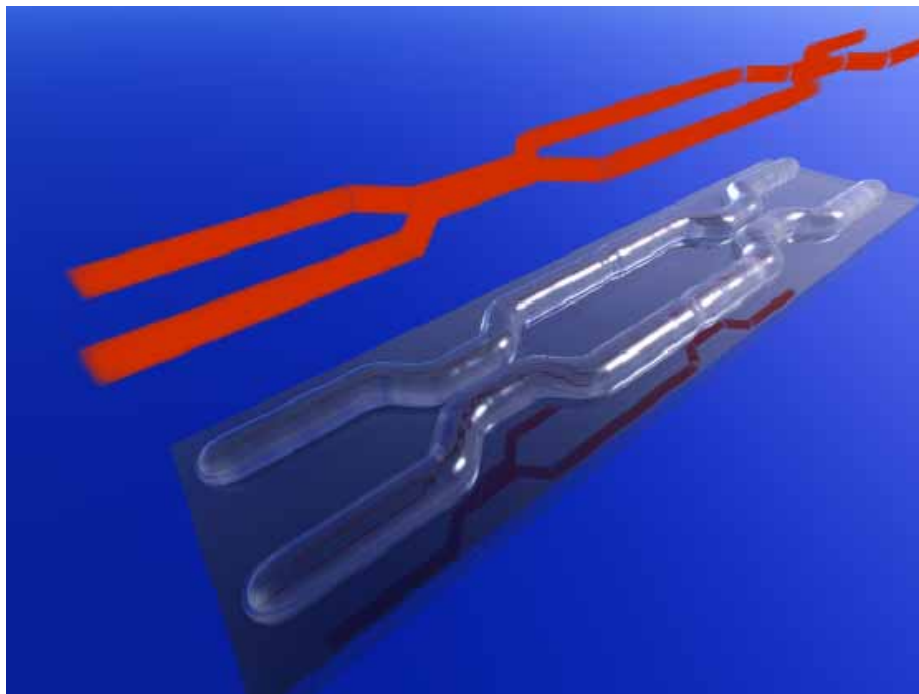


# ATOMTRONICS: Matter Wave Optics in Complex Geometries



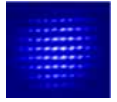
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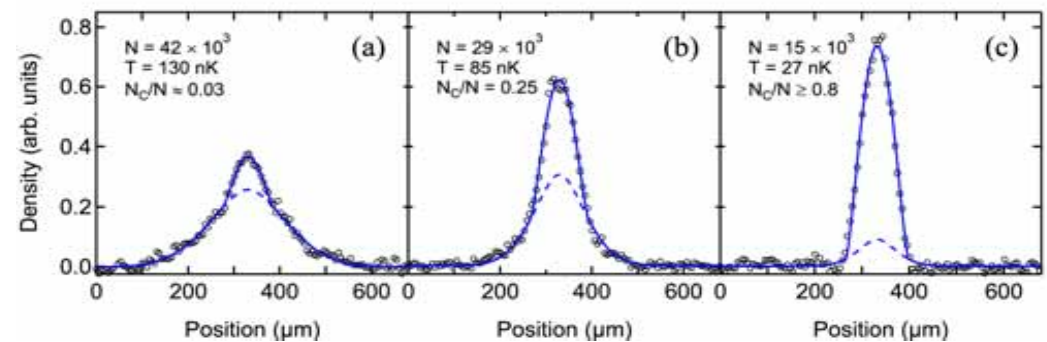
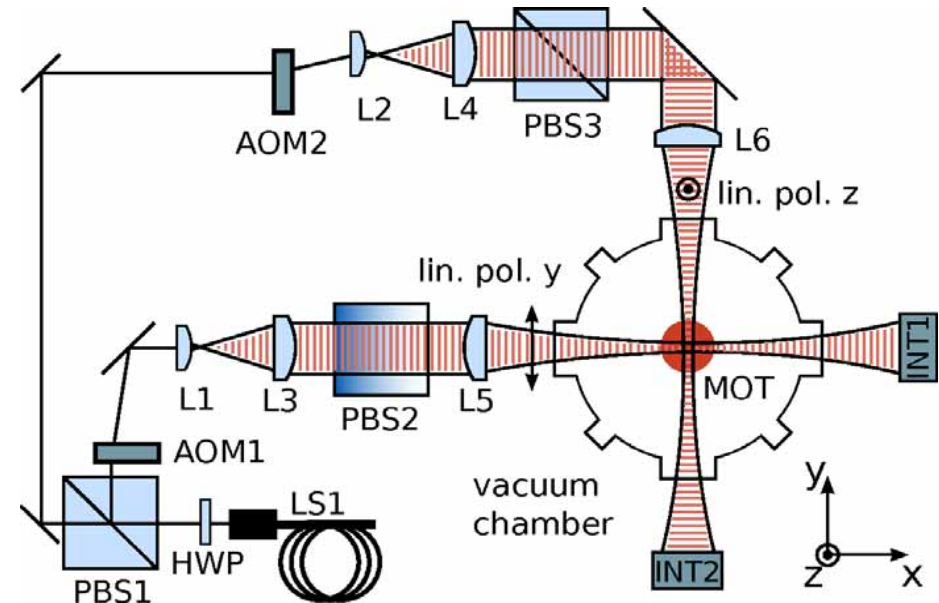




# Bose-Einstein Condensation in Dipole Trap

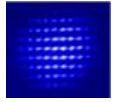


- $^{87}\text{Rb}$  Atoms loaded directly from MOT
  - approx. 500 000 atoms
  - $T = 100 \mu\text{K}$
- Crossed optical dipole trap
  - 25 W **multi-frequency fiber laser** at 1070 nm
  - Beam waists  $\sim 45 \mu\text{m}$
  - Trapping frequencies around 1 kHz
- Bose-Einstein condensate
  - $N=30\,000$
  - $T=27\text{nK}$
  - $N_C/N > 0.8$

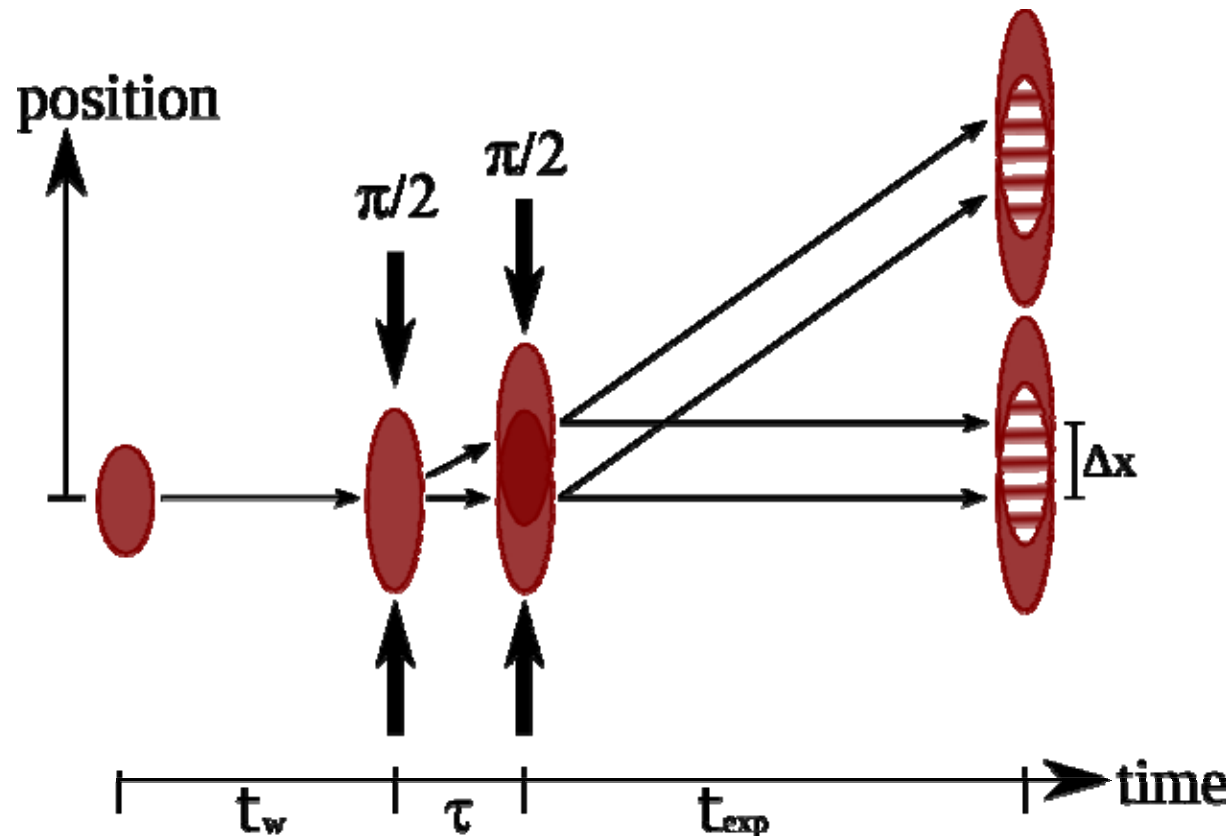


*T. Lauber, J. Küber, O. Wille, and G. Birkl, Phys. Rev. A* **84**, 043641 (2011)

# Ramsey-type Interferometer for BEC wave function

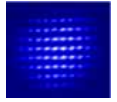


Ramsey-type interferometry with  $\pi/2 - \pi/2$  pulses

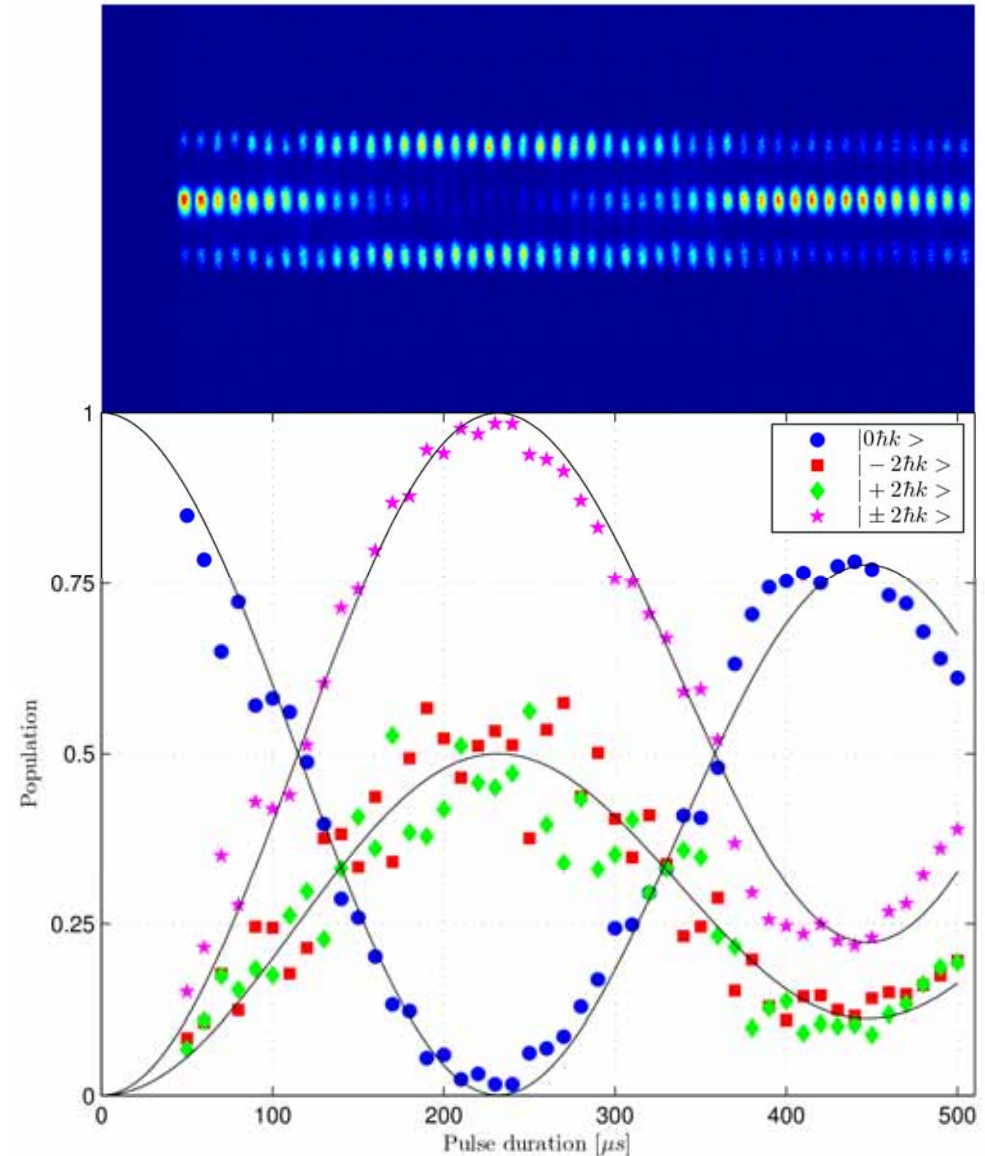


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# Interferometer based on Double Bragg Diffraction



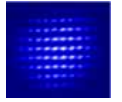
- After creation of BEC, it is released from crossed dipole trap
- Immediately afterwards a double Bragg pulse of varying duration is applied
- After an additional waiting time of 18ms the density distribution is imaged
- Up to 99% of the atoms are transferred into  $\pm 2\hbar k$  for a pulse duration of  $230 \mu\text{s}$



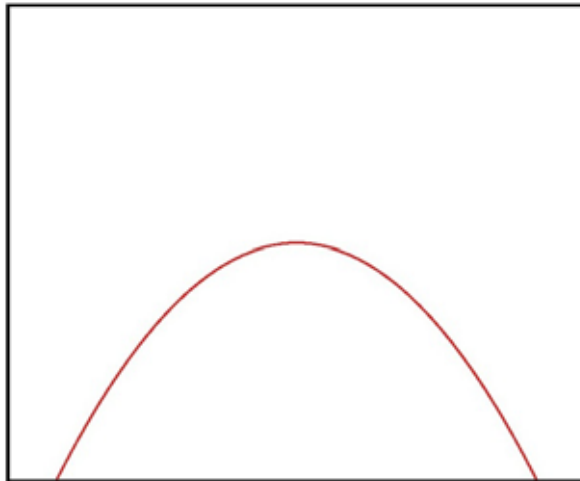
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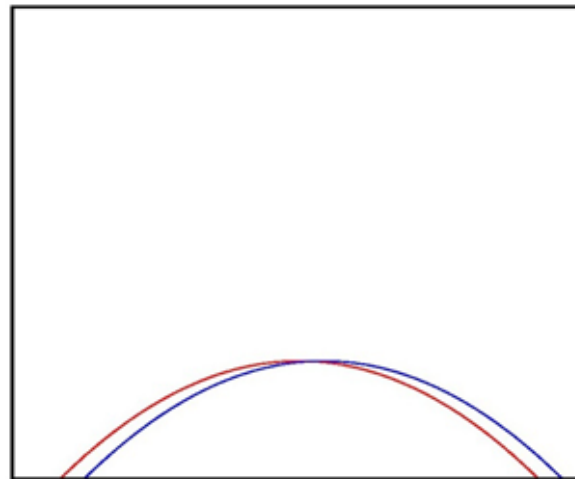
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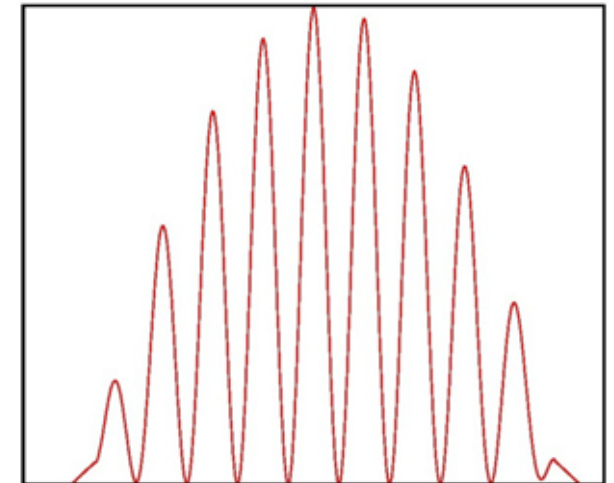
BEC wave function



Two partial wave functions displaced by  $\Delta x = v \tau$

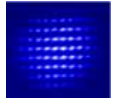


Interferometric measurement of phase of BEC wave function

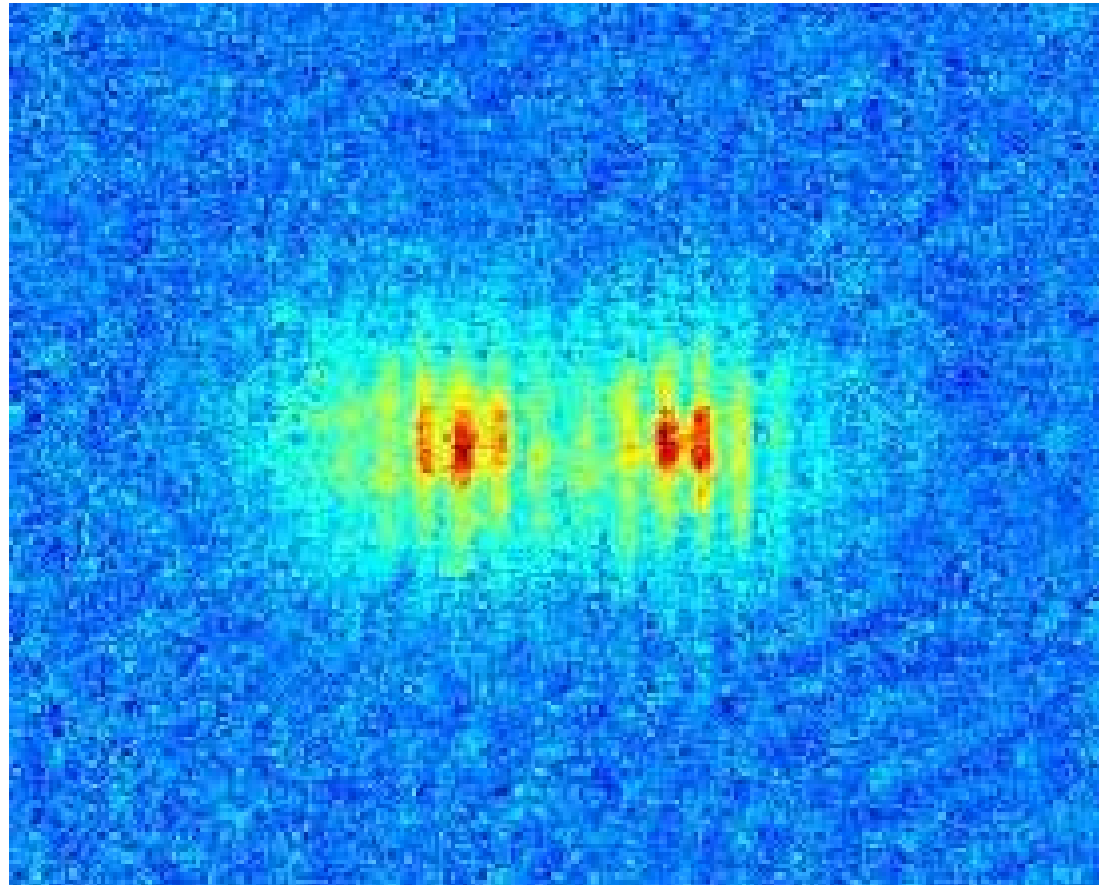
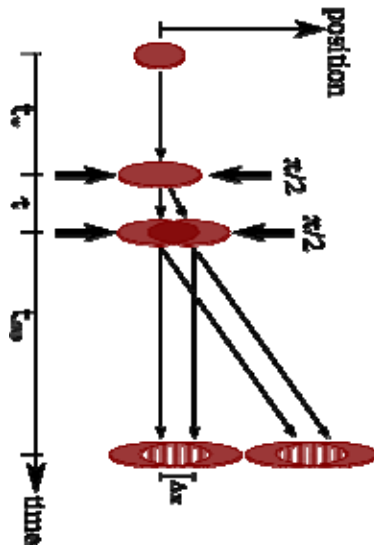


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# Interference of two freely expanding BECs

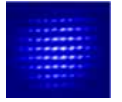


Two superimposed BECs show interference.



Bose-Einstein condensates behave like waves.

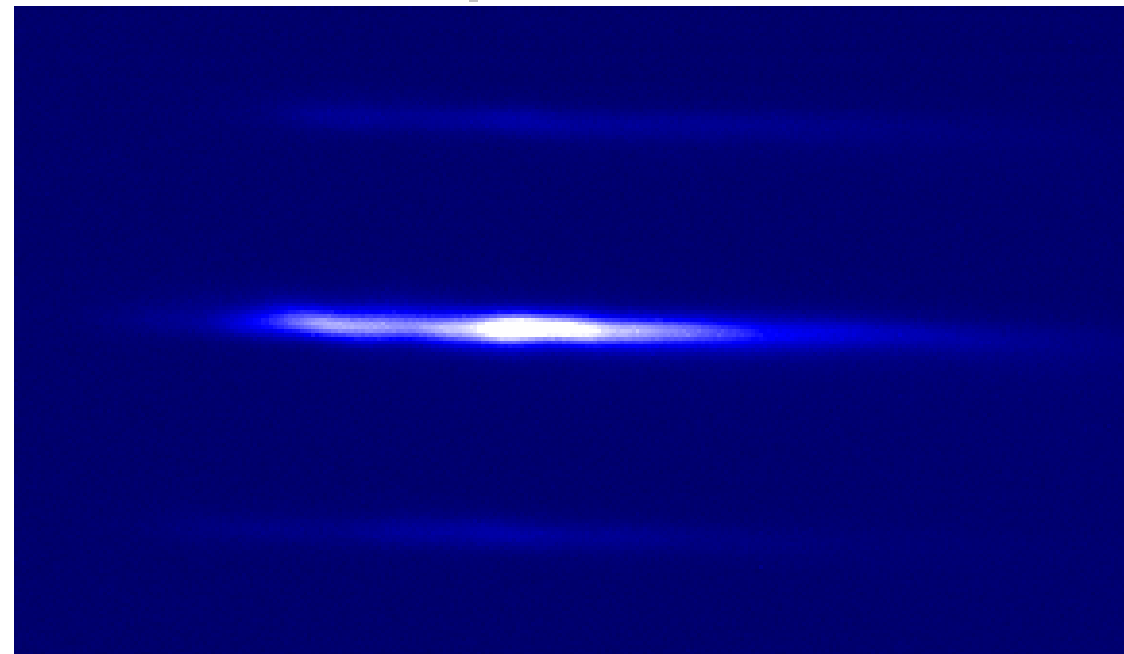
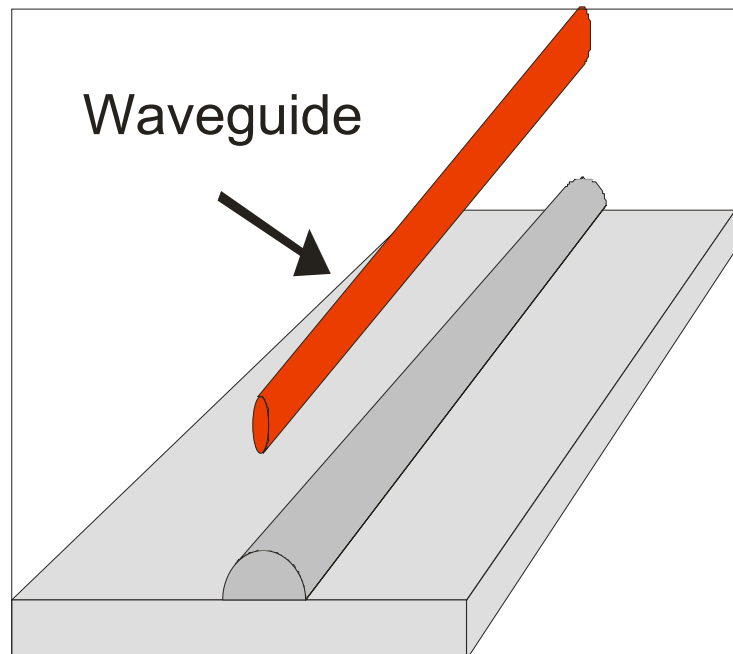
# Guiding Structures based on Cylindrical Microlenses



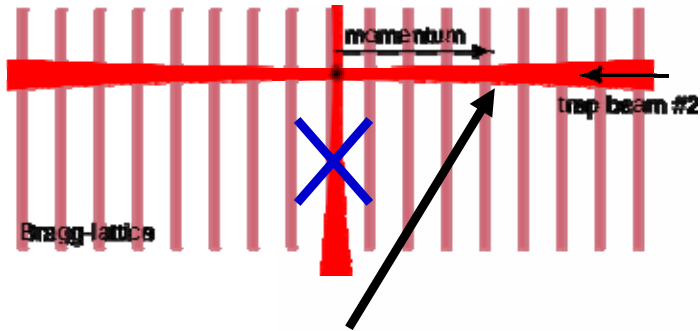
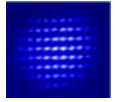
## Micro-optical Lens Arrays:

Guiding of atoms along the linear potential minimum in the focus of a cylindrical lens

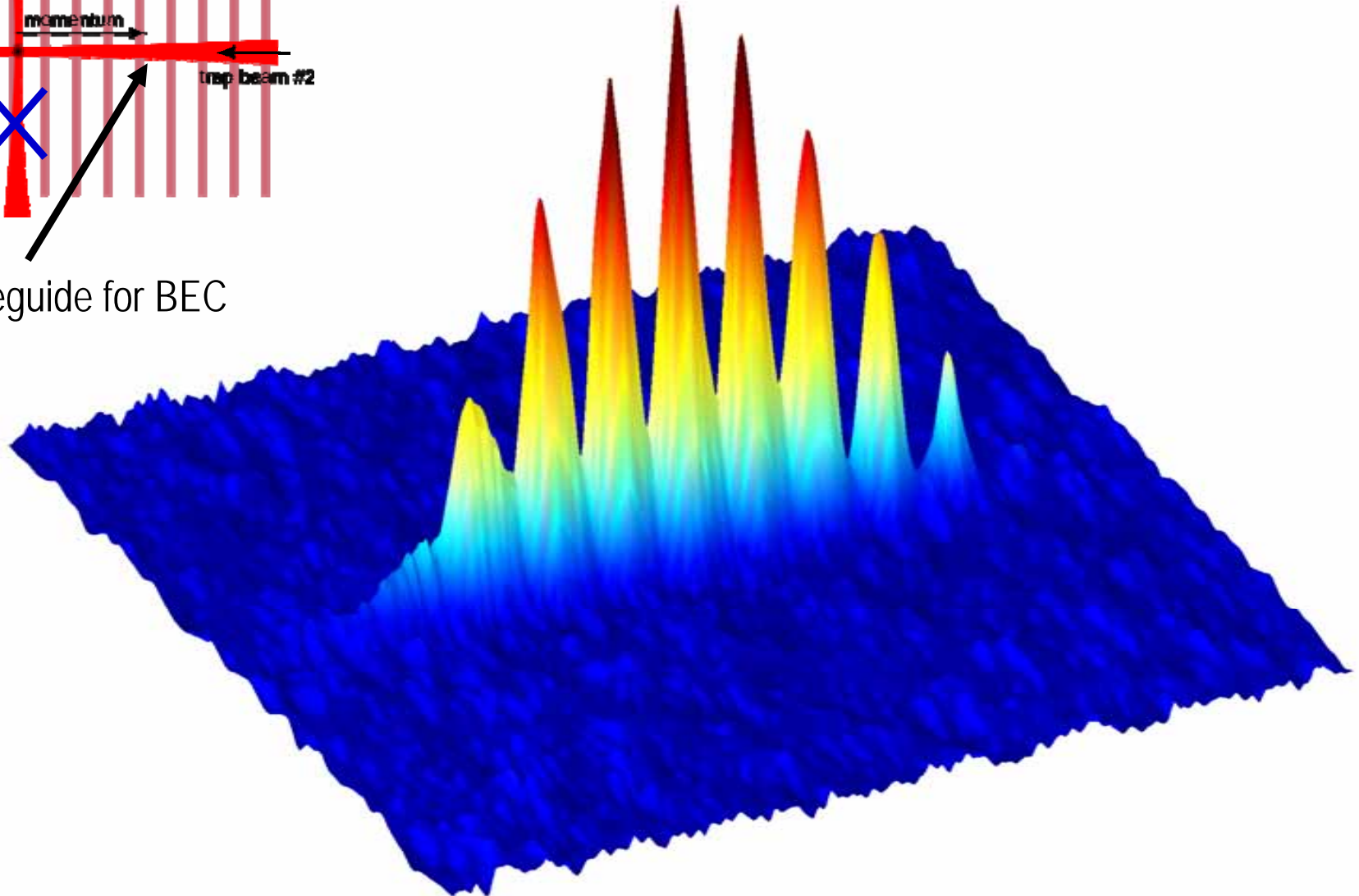
⇒ Waveguide for atoms similar to optical fibers



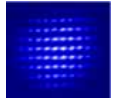
# Phase Evolution of Expanding BEC in 1D Waveguide



1-dim. Waveguide for BEC

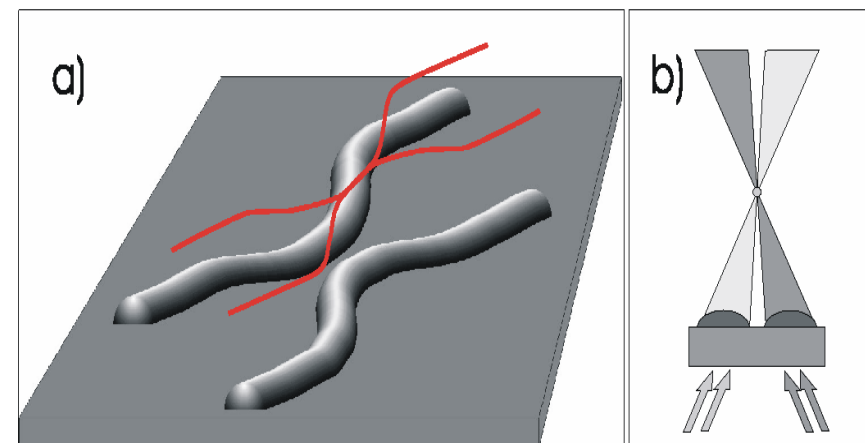
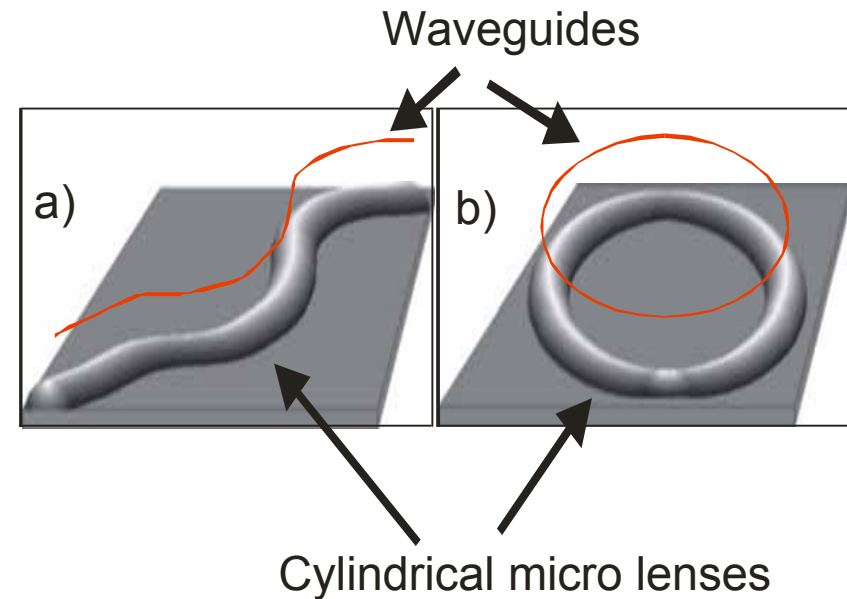
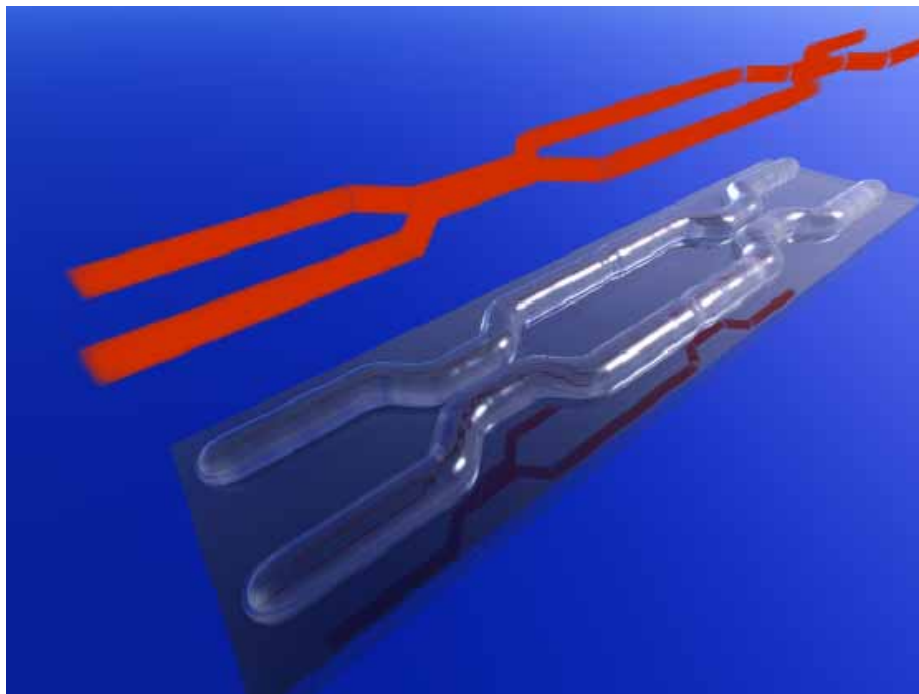


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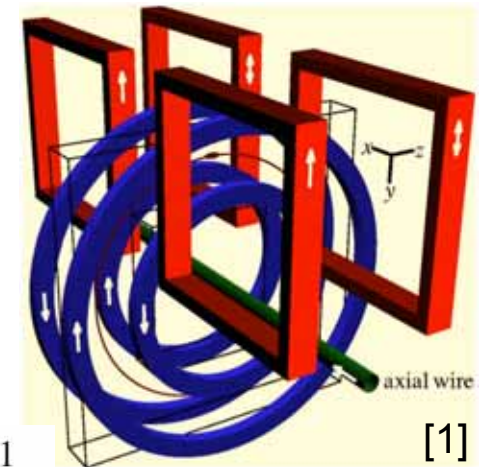




# Ring Potentials for Neutral Atoms

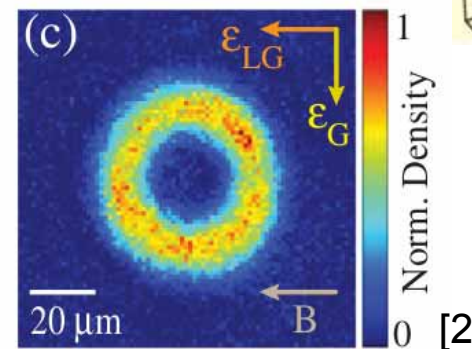
## ▪ Magnetic Ring Traps:

macroscopic, rf-dressed,  
atom chips, super-conducting chips  
(Georgia Tech, Strathclyde, Berkeley,  
Amsterdam, Paris-Nord, Tuscon, Harvard,  
Singapore, Vienna, Oxford, ...)



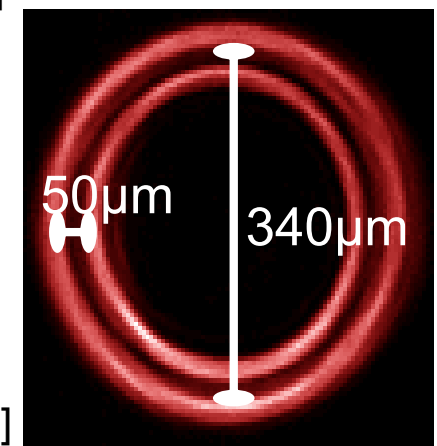
## ▪ Optical Ring Traps:

Laguerre-Gaussian beams,  
scanning beam traps  
(NIST, St. Andrews, Los Alamos, Monash,  
Wisconsin, LKB, Paris-Sud, Brisbane, ...)



## ▪ Our Optical Approaches:

Red-detuned ring based on diffractive optics  
Blue detuned double ring based on conical refraction



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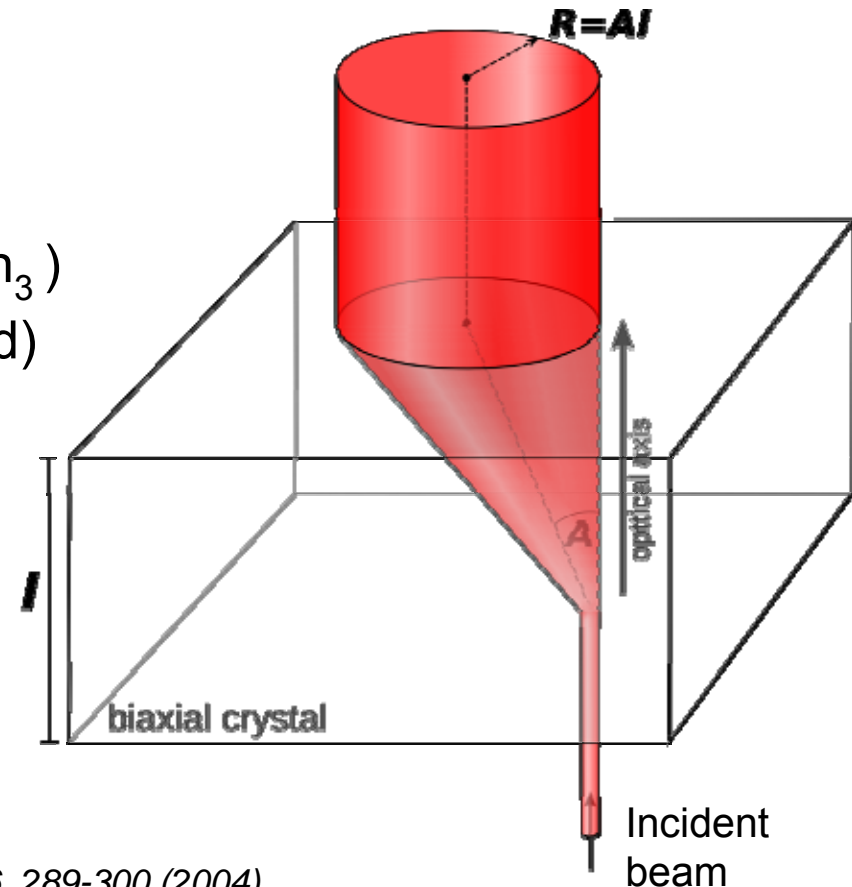
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# Conical Refraction

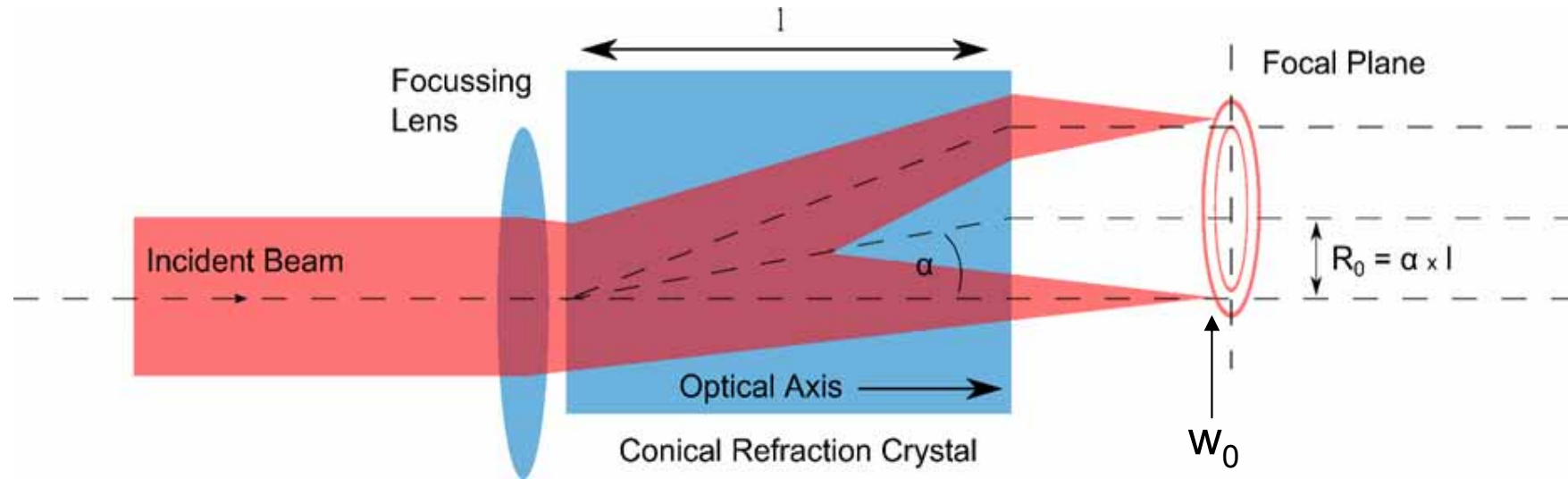
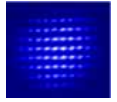
In collaboration with Jordi Mompart, Yury Loiko, Todor Kirilov (UAB, Barcelona)

- Linear optical effect in biaxial crystals (predicted in 1832 by Hamilton)  
First observed by Lloyd in aragonite crystals the same year
- Light is diffracted into a cone, under the following conditions:
  - Propagating in a biaxial crystal ( $n_1 < n_2 < n_3$ )
  - Light is unpolarized (or circularly polarized)
  - Incidence along one of the optical axes
  - Surface of the crystal is polished perpendicular to this optical axis



See e.g.: M. V. Berry, *Journal of Optics A: Pure and Applied Optics* **6**, 289-300 (2004)

# Important Parameters for Conical Refraction



$$\alpha = \sqrt{(n_3^2 - n_2^2)(n_2^2 - n_1^2)/n_2}$$

$$n_1 < n_2 < n_3$$

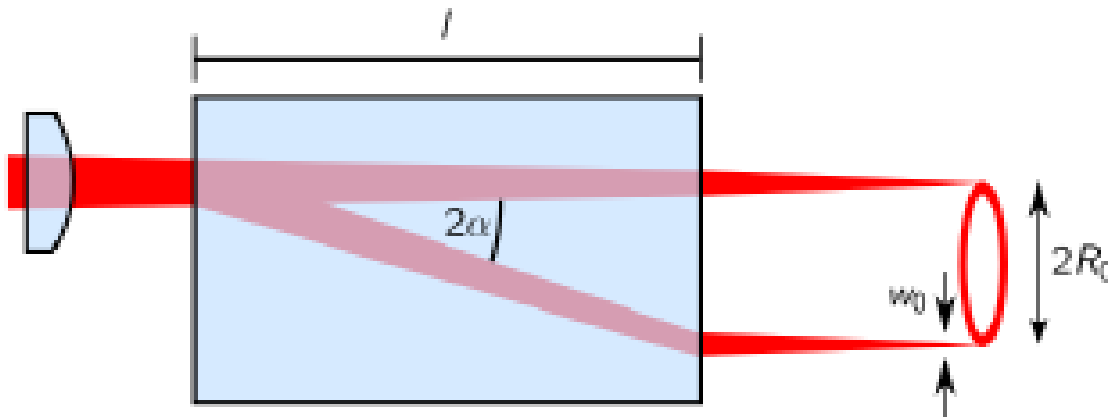
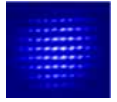
$$R_0 = l \times \alpha$$

$$\rho_0 = \frac{R_0}{w_0}$$

## Parameters of Crystal:

- Material:  $\text{KGd}(\text{WO}_4)_2$  or *KGW*
- Length:  $l = 16,55 \text{ mm}$
- Cone Angle:  $\alpha = 1^\circ$

# Different Regimes of Conical Refraction



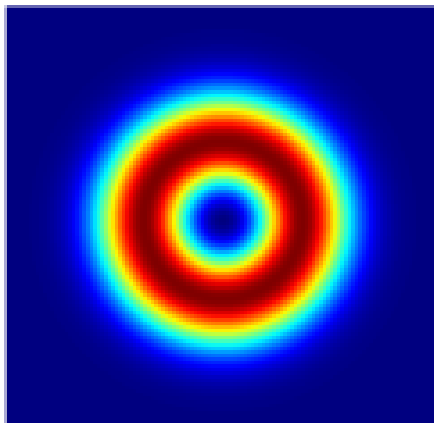
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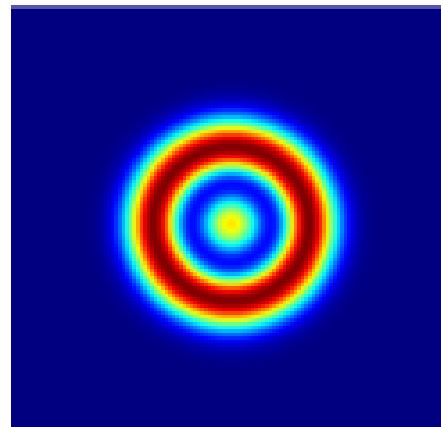
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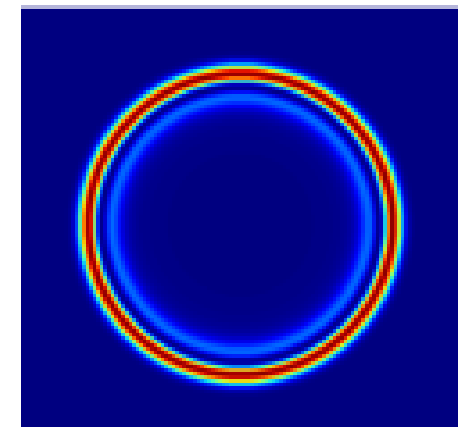
$\rho_0 = 0.92$



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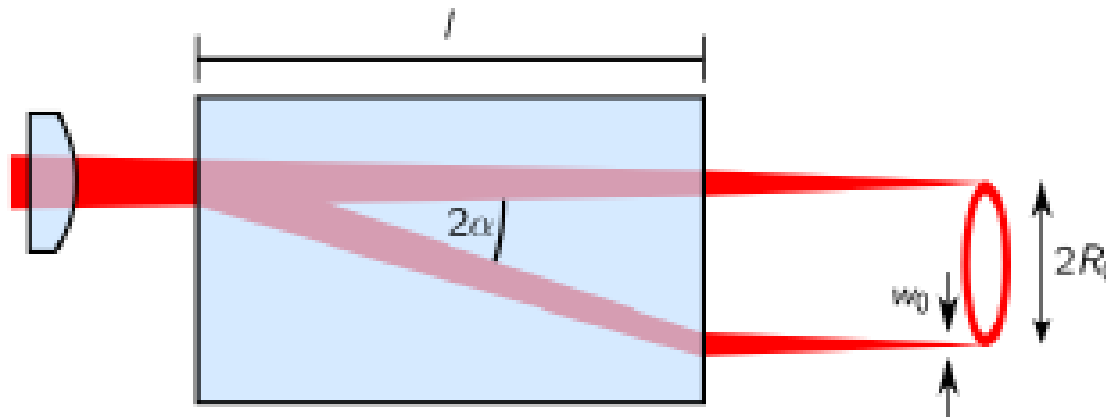
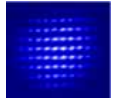


$\rho_0 = 10$



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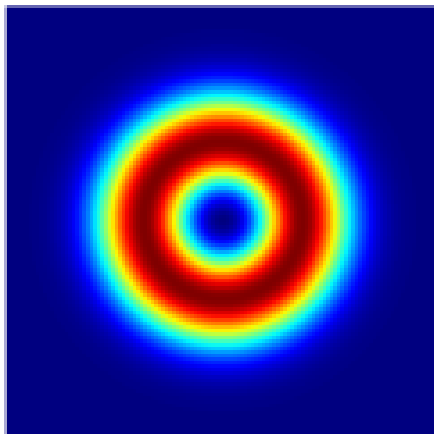
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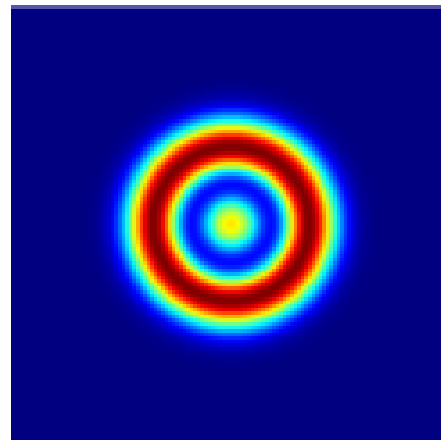
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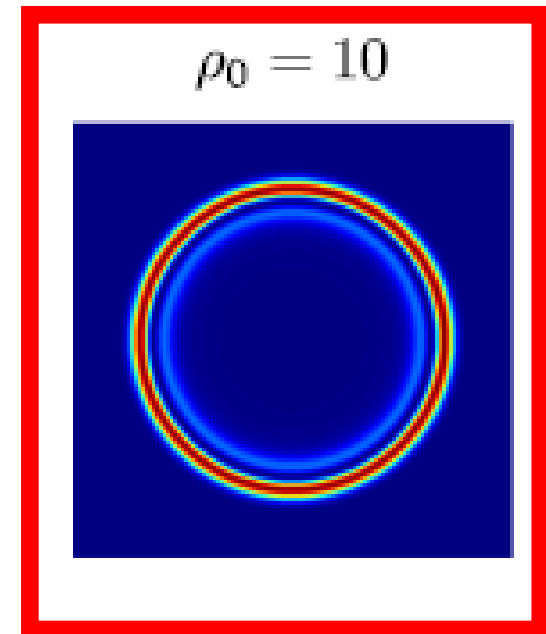
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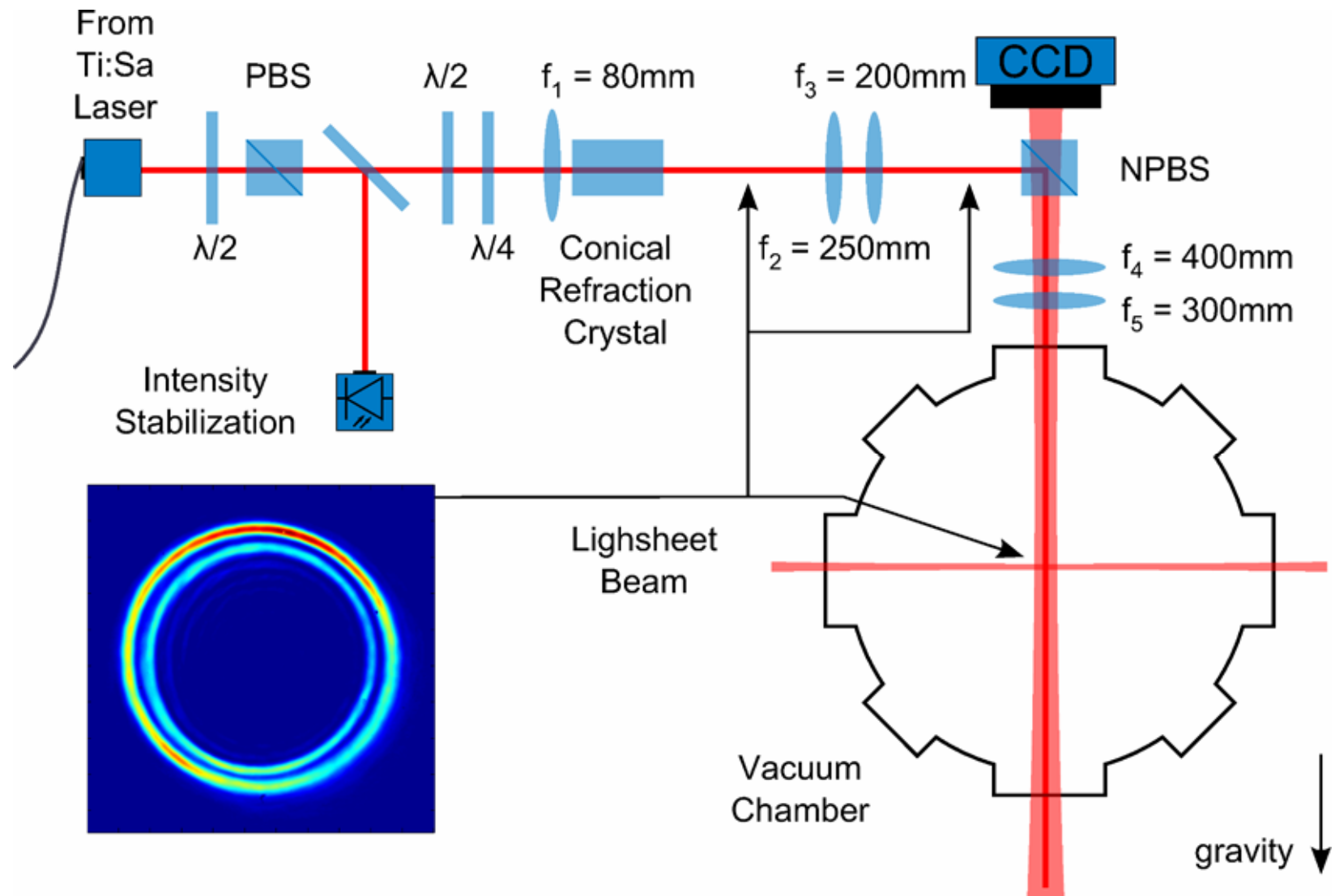


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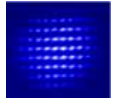




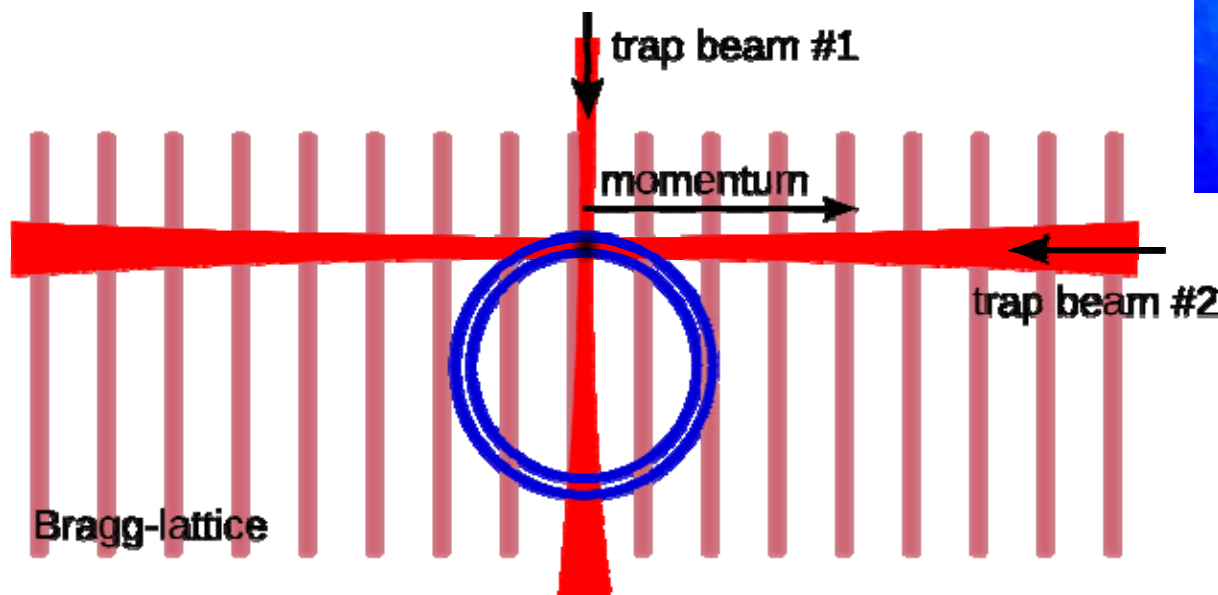
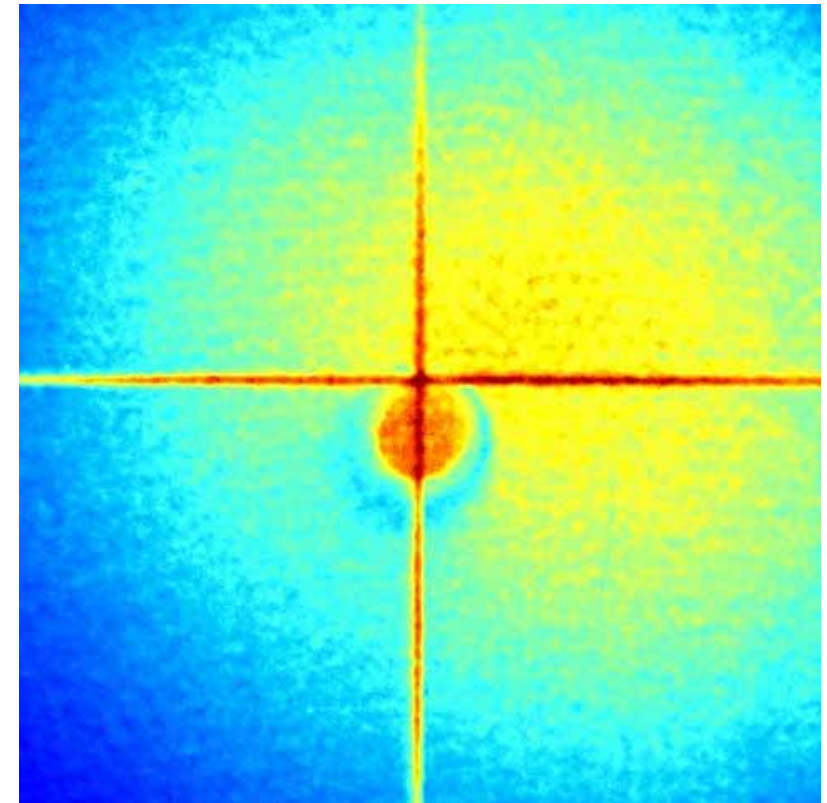
# Optical Setup for a Storage Ring Potential



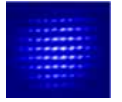
# Storage Ring for Bose-Einstein Condensates



- Production of BEC in crossed dipole trap
- Loading by linear ramping of intensities
- Acceleration and autocorrelation measurements using Bragg lattice
- Free propagation along the ring

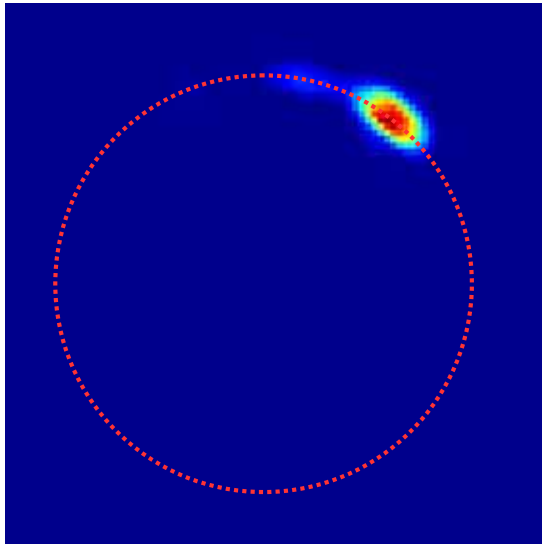


# Rotating BECs in Optical Storage Ring

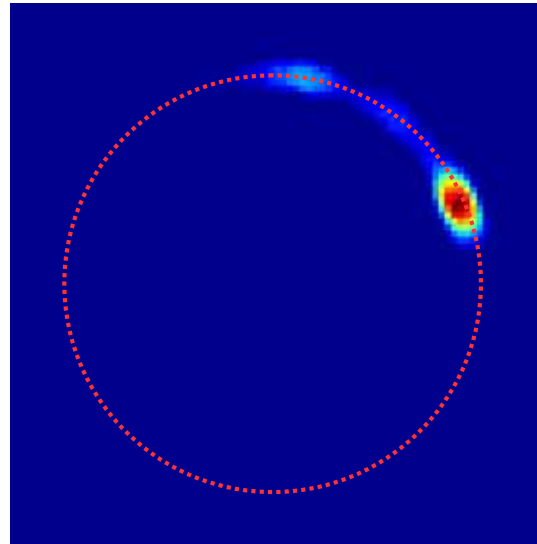


- Transferred Momentum:  $n \times 2\hbar k$
- Achieved:  $2\hbar k$ ,  $4\hbar k$ ,  $6\hbar k$ ,  $\pm 2\hbar k$
- Up to two round trips observed for  $4\hbar k$
- Spread of wave packet given by mean-field expansion

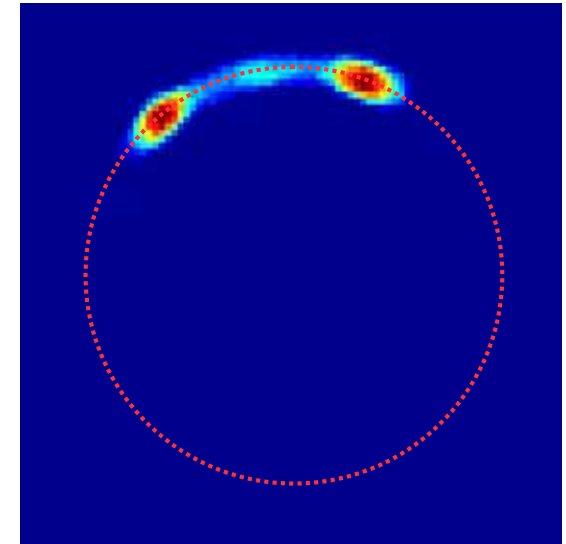
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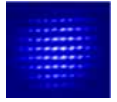
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Split BEC:  $\pm 2\hbar k$

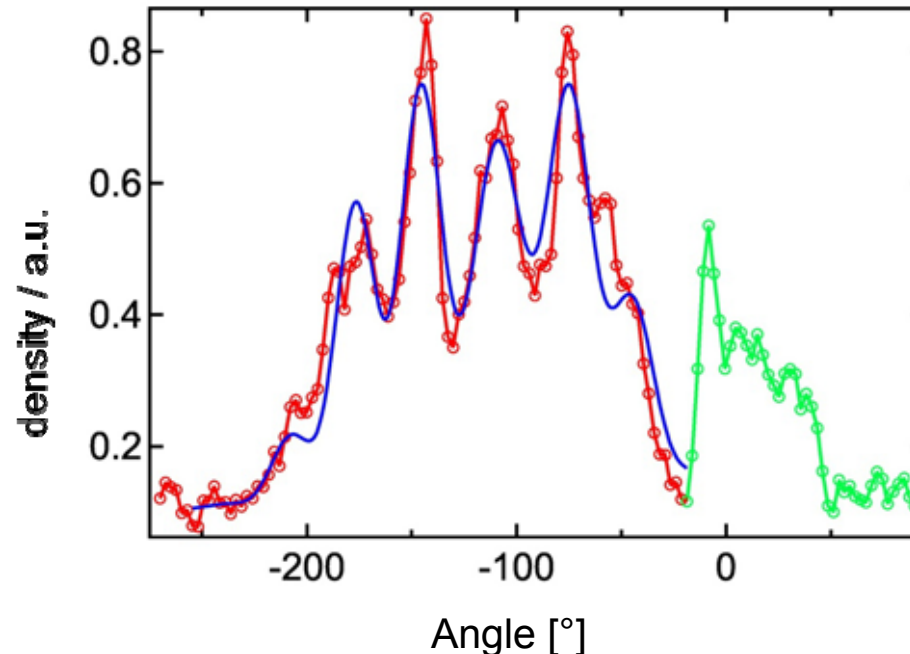
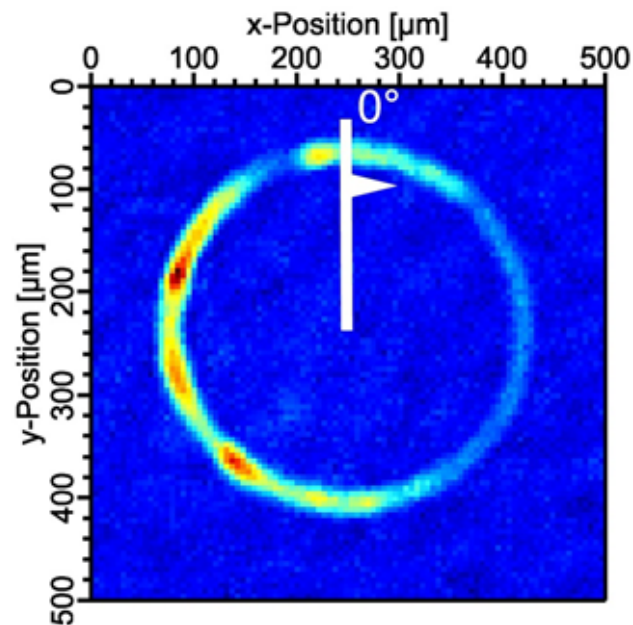


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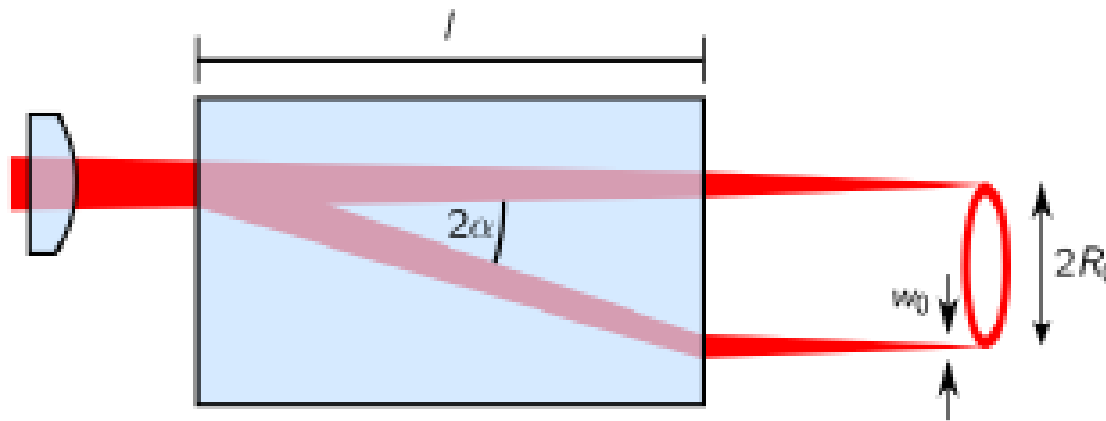
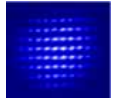
Ramsey type interferometer after propagation inside the ring potential

- $\pi$ -Pulse ( $4\hbar k$ ) after loading the BEC into storage ring
- 26 ms of free evolution (atoms travel half way along the ring,  $530 \mu\text{m}$ ); limited for avoiding overlap with atoms remaining at original position of BEC
- Autocorrelation measurement ( $\pm 4\hbar k$ ) with pulse separation  $\tau = 100 \mu\text{s}$
- Free expansion: 14 ms



**Fringe  
Contrast:  
(23 +/- 4) %**

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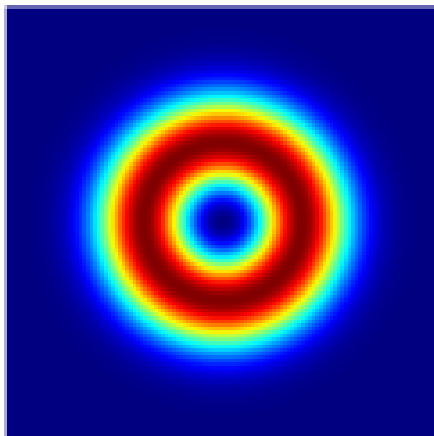
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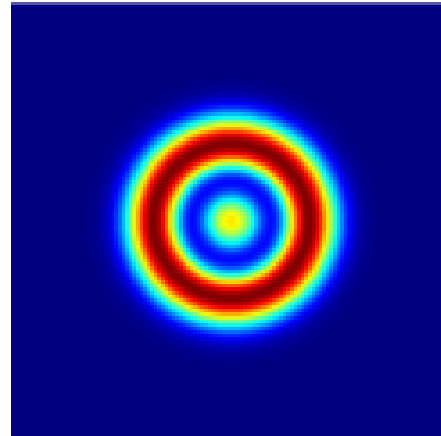
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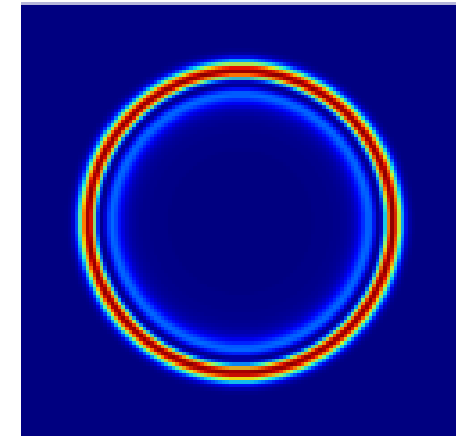
$\rho_0 = 0.92$



$\rho_0 = 1.5$

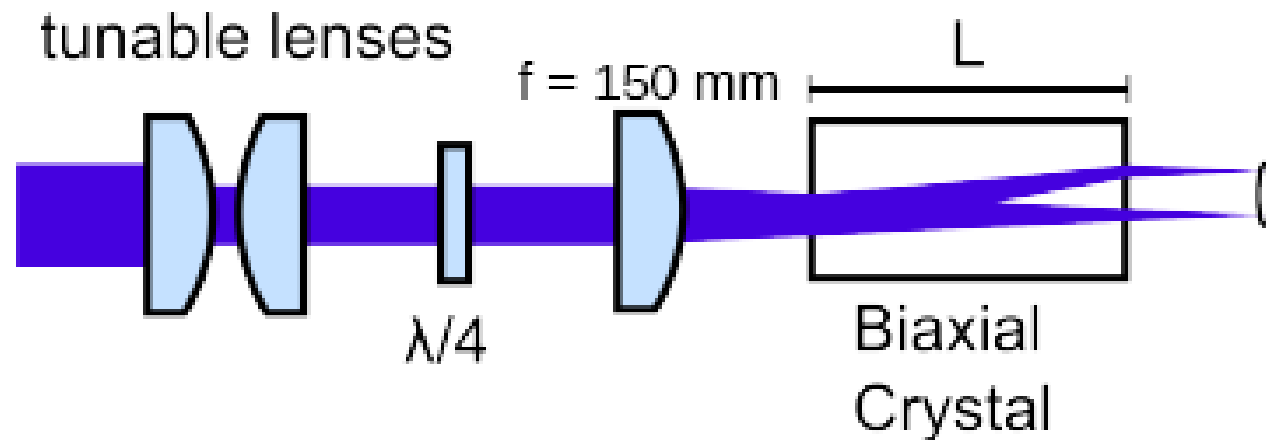
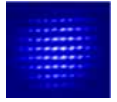


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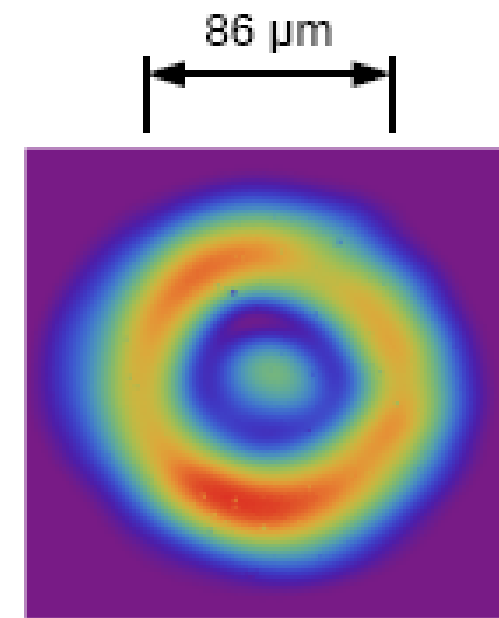


# ATOMTRONICS Device Based on Dynamical Ring Trap



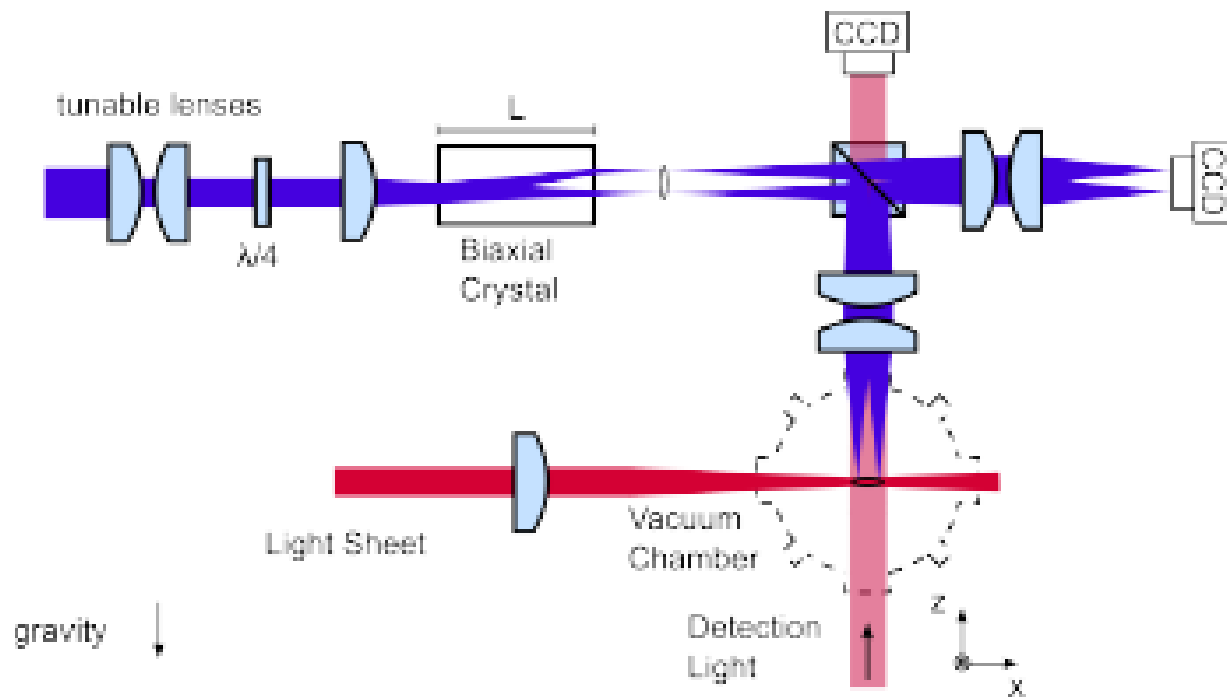
- Tunable lenses\*: focal length of 50 to 120 mm
- Magnification 0.4 to 2.4
- $W_0 = 25 \mu\text{m} \rightarrow \rho_0 = 1.6$
- Changing magnification from 0.7 to 1.0  
→ transform geometry dynamically from simply to multiply connected

\*Optotune "EL-10-30 LD"

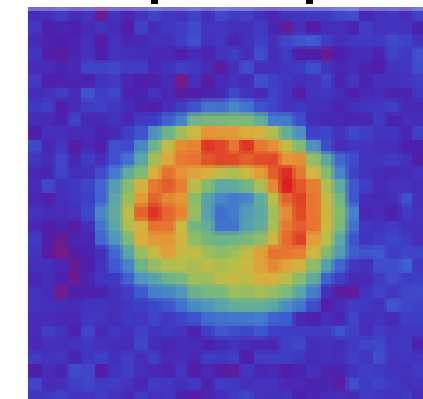
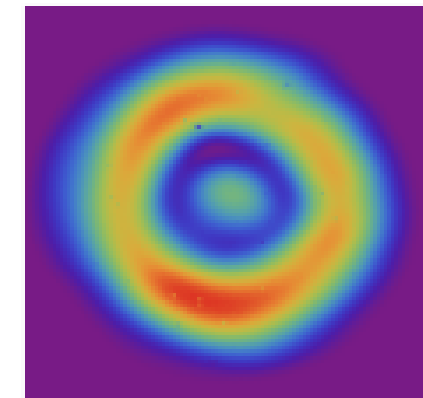


Light field in focal plane with 1:1 telescope

# ATOMTRONICS Device Based on Dynamical Ring Trap



light field

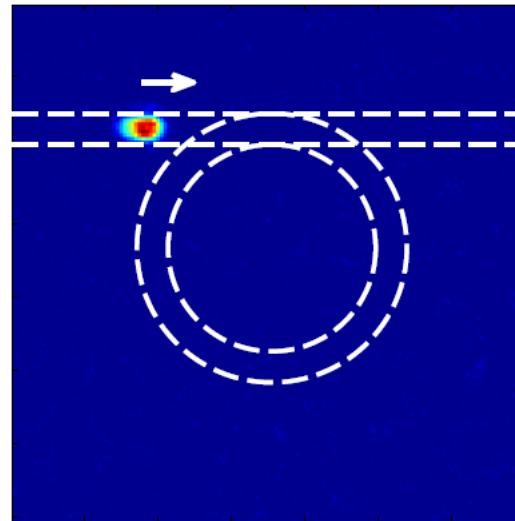
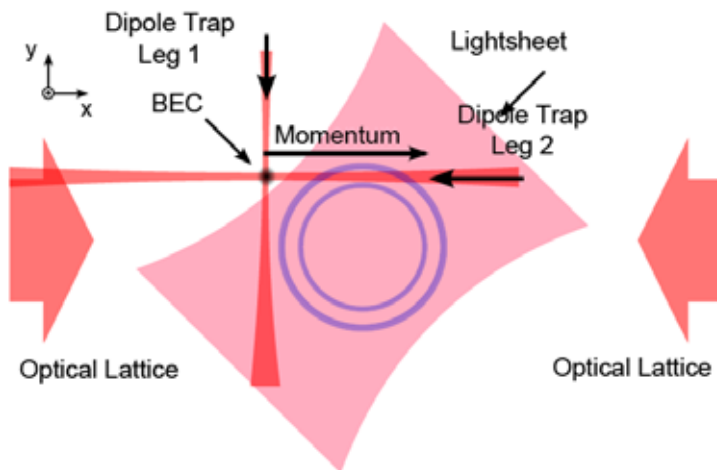


- BEC loaded into static repulsive ring potential from crossed dipole trap within 40 ms
- Almost homogenous density distribution after 120 ms expansion time

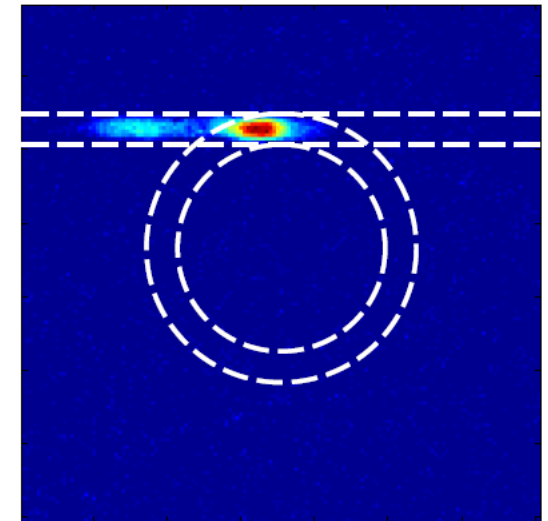
# Towards complex ATOMTRONICS Circuits

- First steps towards more complex and integrated circuits:

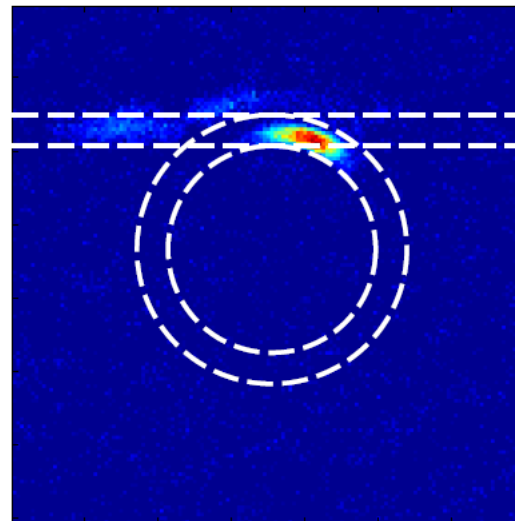
Transfer of an externally created coherent matter wave packet into the toroidal potential



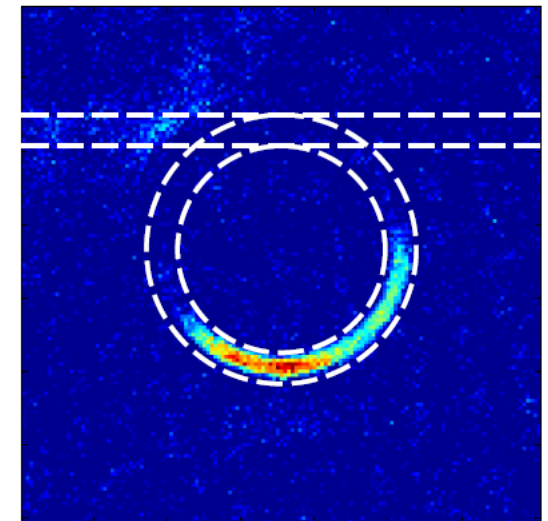
(a)  $t_w = 0\text{ms}$



(b)  $t_w = 7\text{ms}$

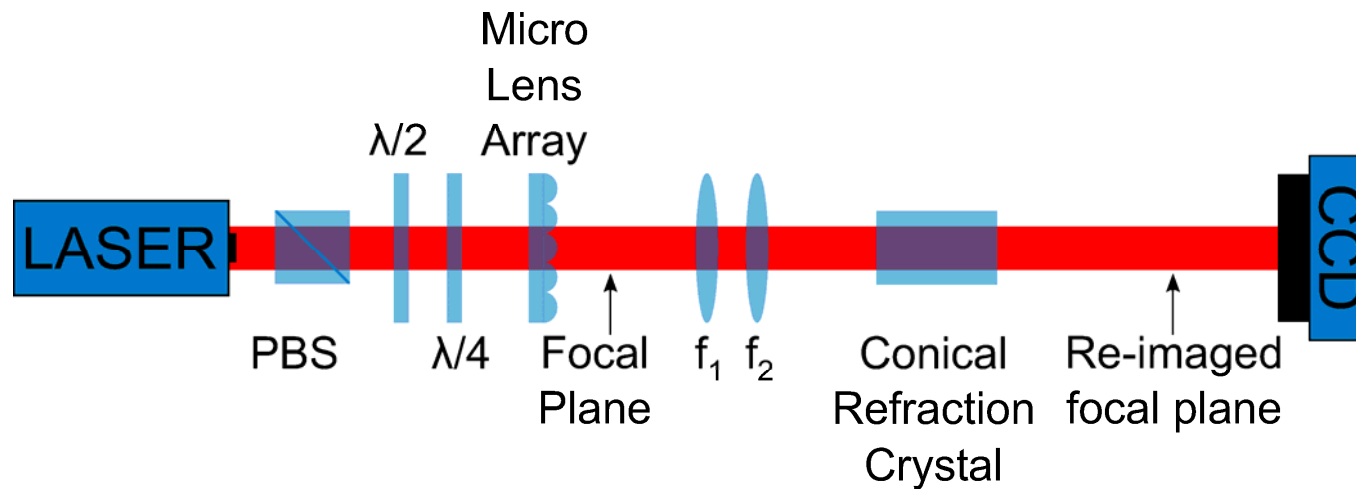


(c)  $t_w = 10.5\text{ms}$

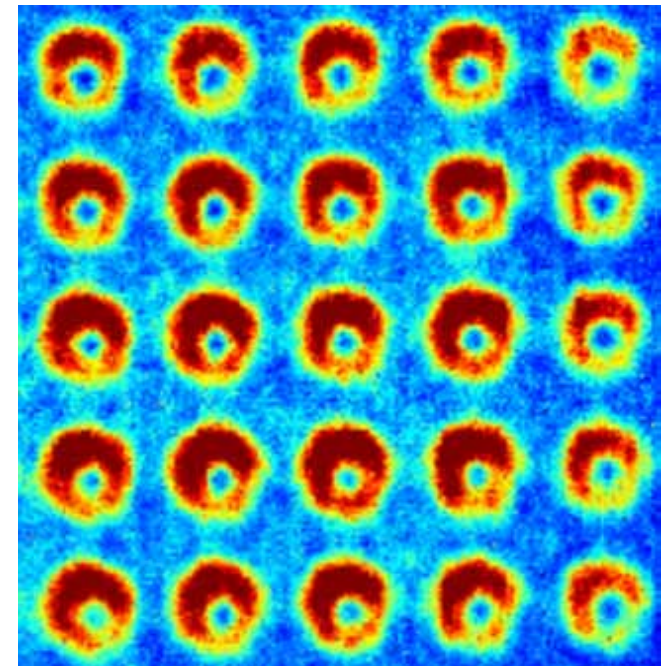


(d)  $t_w = 26\text{ms}$

# Towards complex ATOMTRONICS Circuits



- A two-dimension register of toroidal trapping potentials or dark focus traps is created by combining focusing with a microlens array and conical refraction
- The pitch of the microlens array introduces a third independent parameter
- Separated or connected potential geometries can be generated



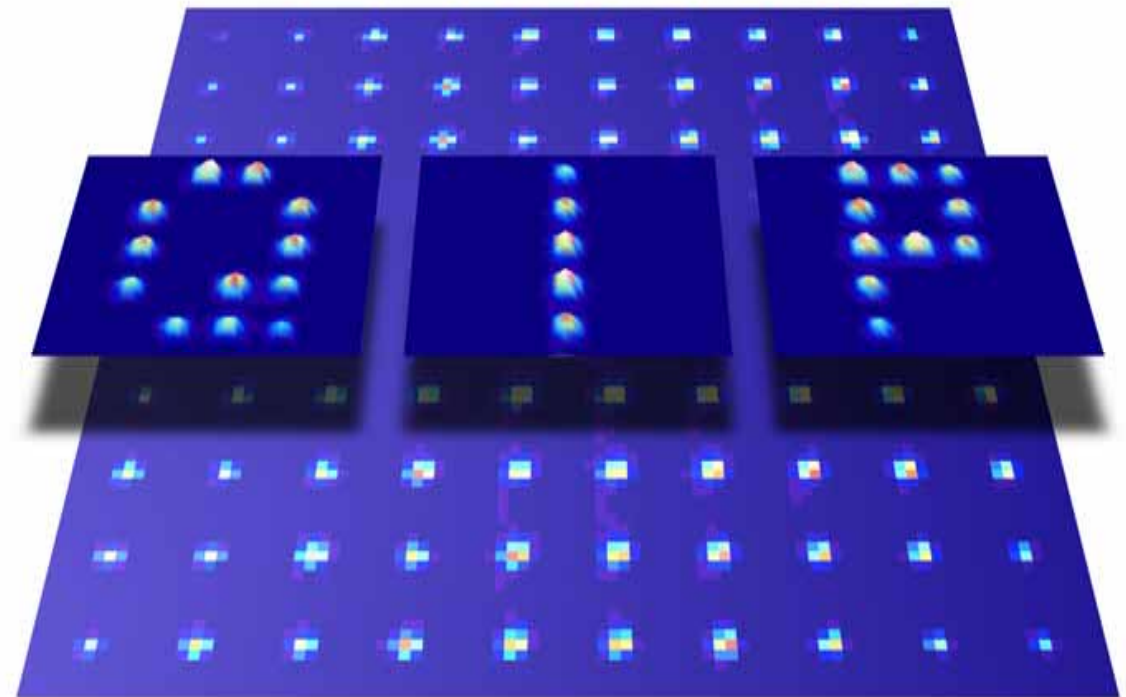
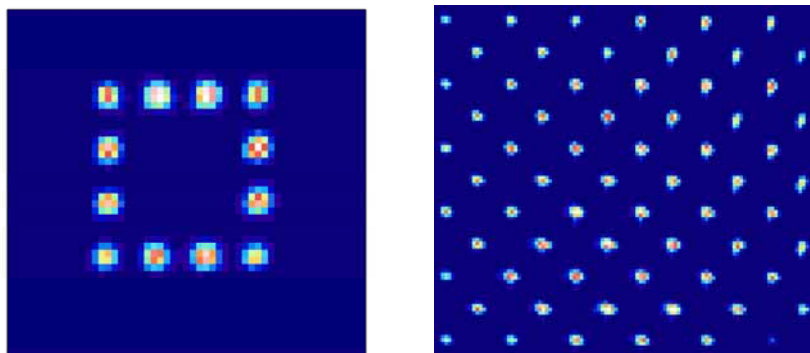
# Novel approaches to ATOMTRONIC devices in optical potentials



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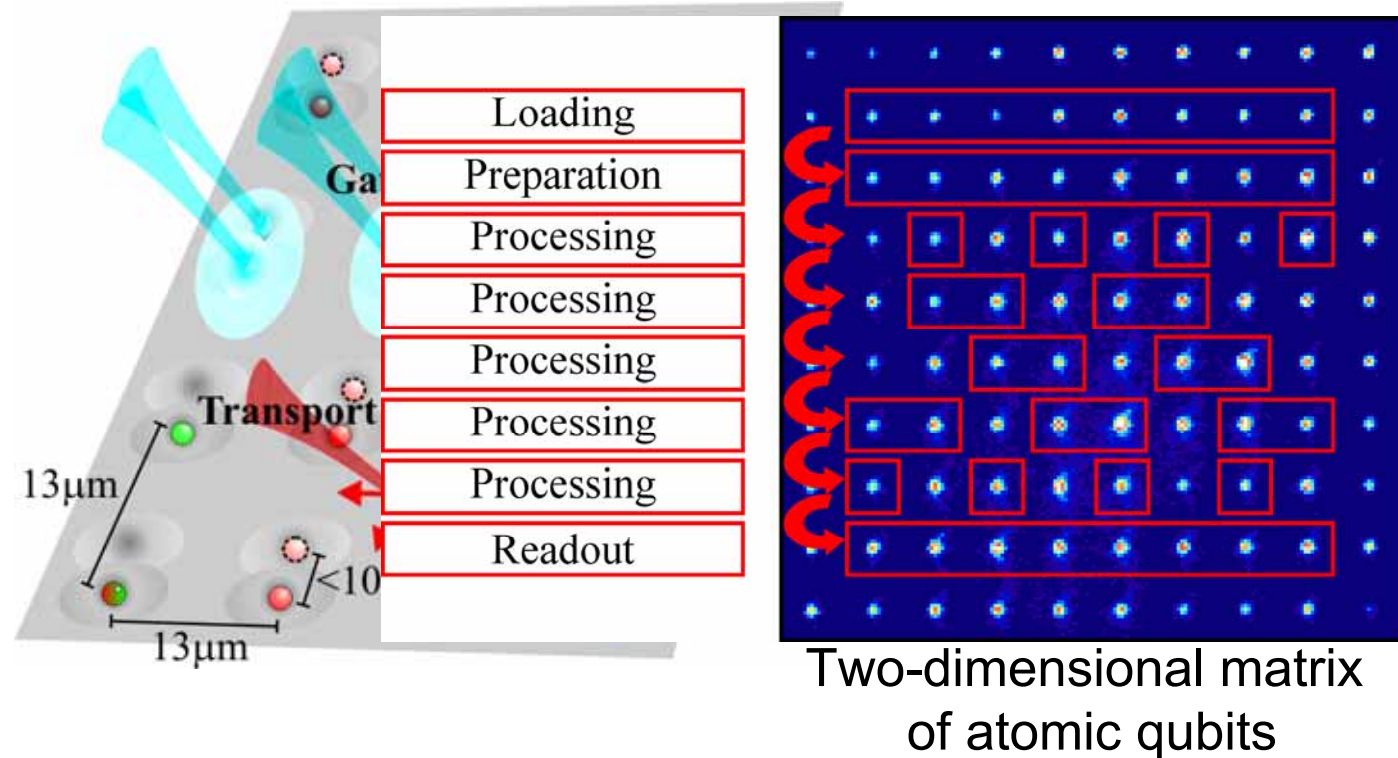
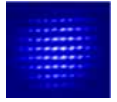
## Part 2:

Quantum information  
processing and simulation  
with arrays of trapped  
neutral atoms



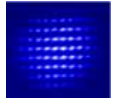


# Architecture for Single-Atom-Array ATOMTRONICS

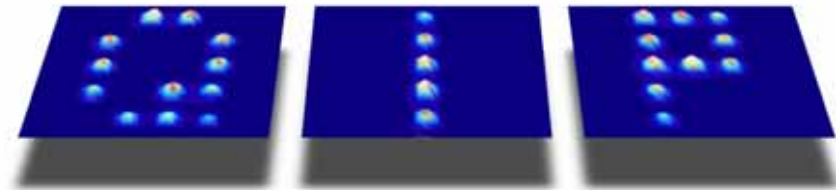


**Complex processor architecture based on 2D quantum shift register with single-site addressability**

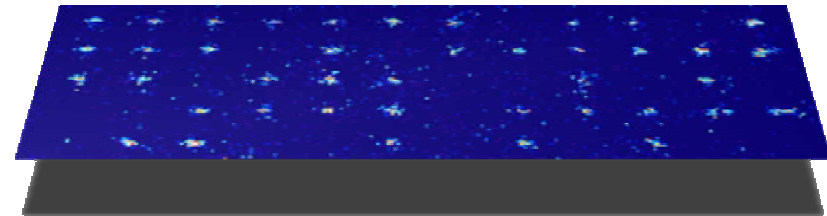
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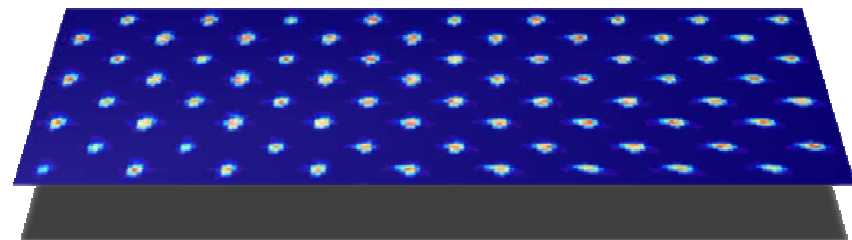
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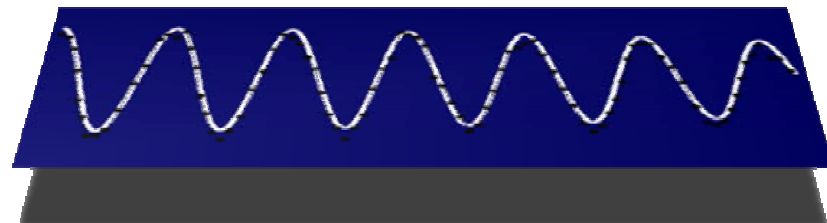
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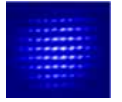
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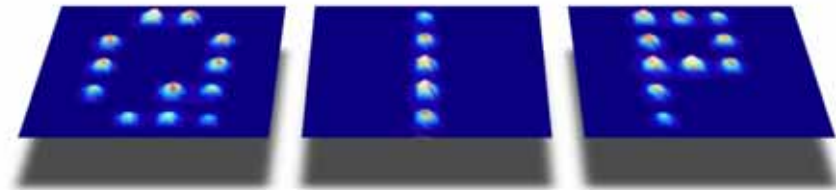
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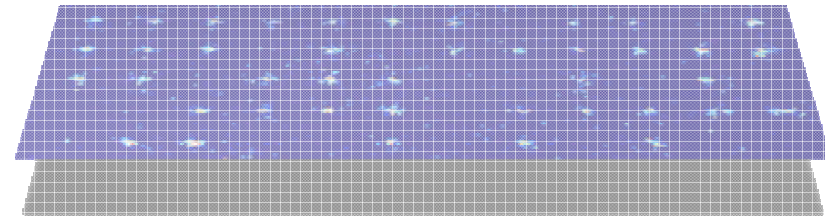
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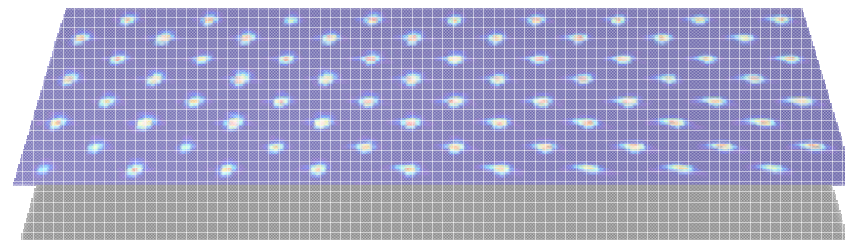
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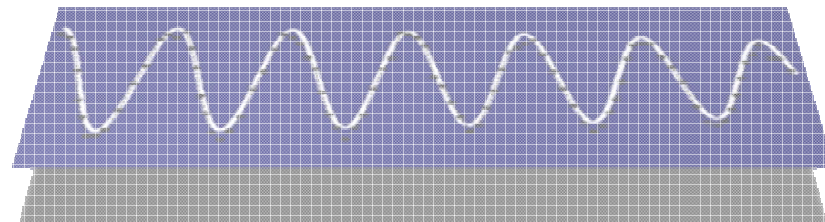
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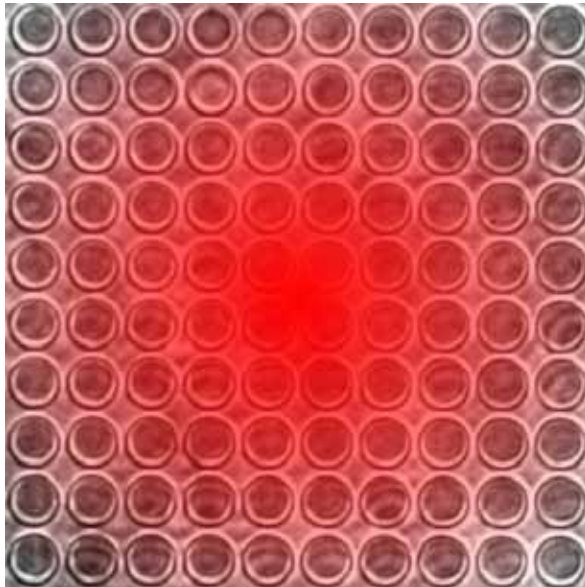
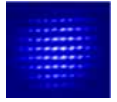
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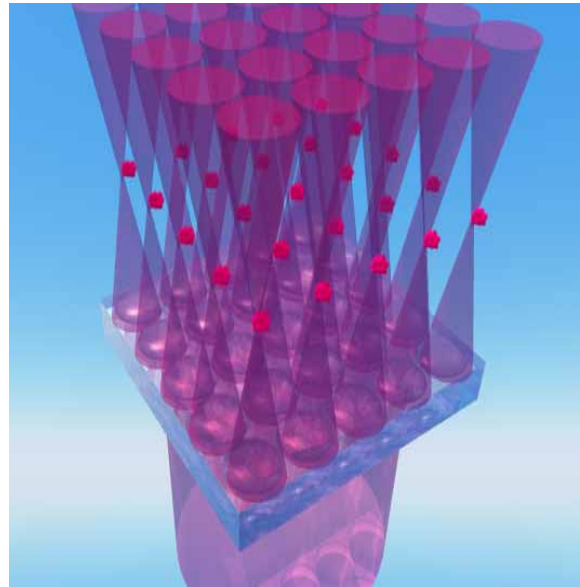
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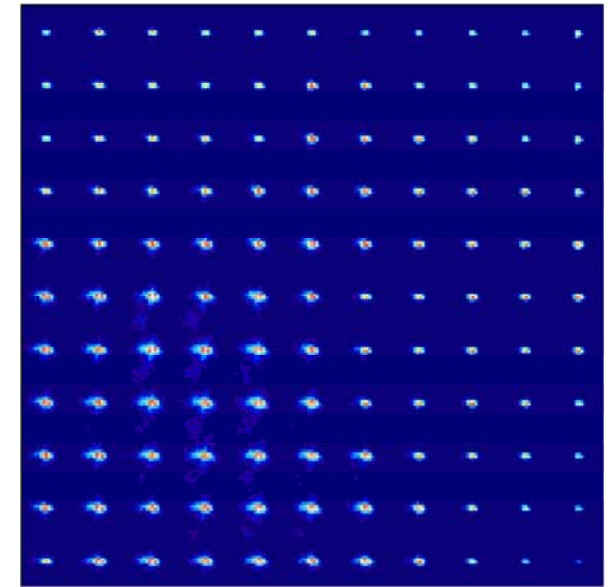
# 2D Register of Neutral-Atom Qubits



Microlens array



Dipole trap array



Fluorescence Image of trapped  $^{85}\text{Rb}$  atoms

## Typical Parameters

- Trapping wavelength: 796 - 810 nm
- Trap depth: up to  $k_B \cdot 10$  mK
- Trap waist: down to  $1.3 \mu\text{m}$
- Trap separation: down to  $3 \mu\text{m}$
- Number of Atoms: 1 per site

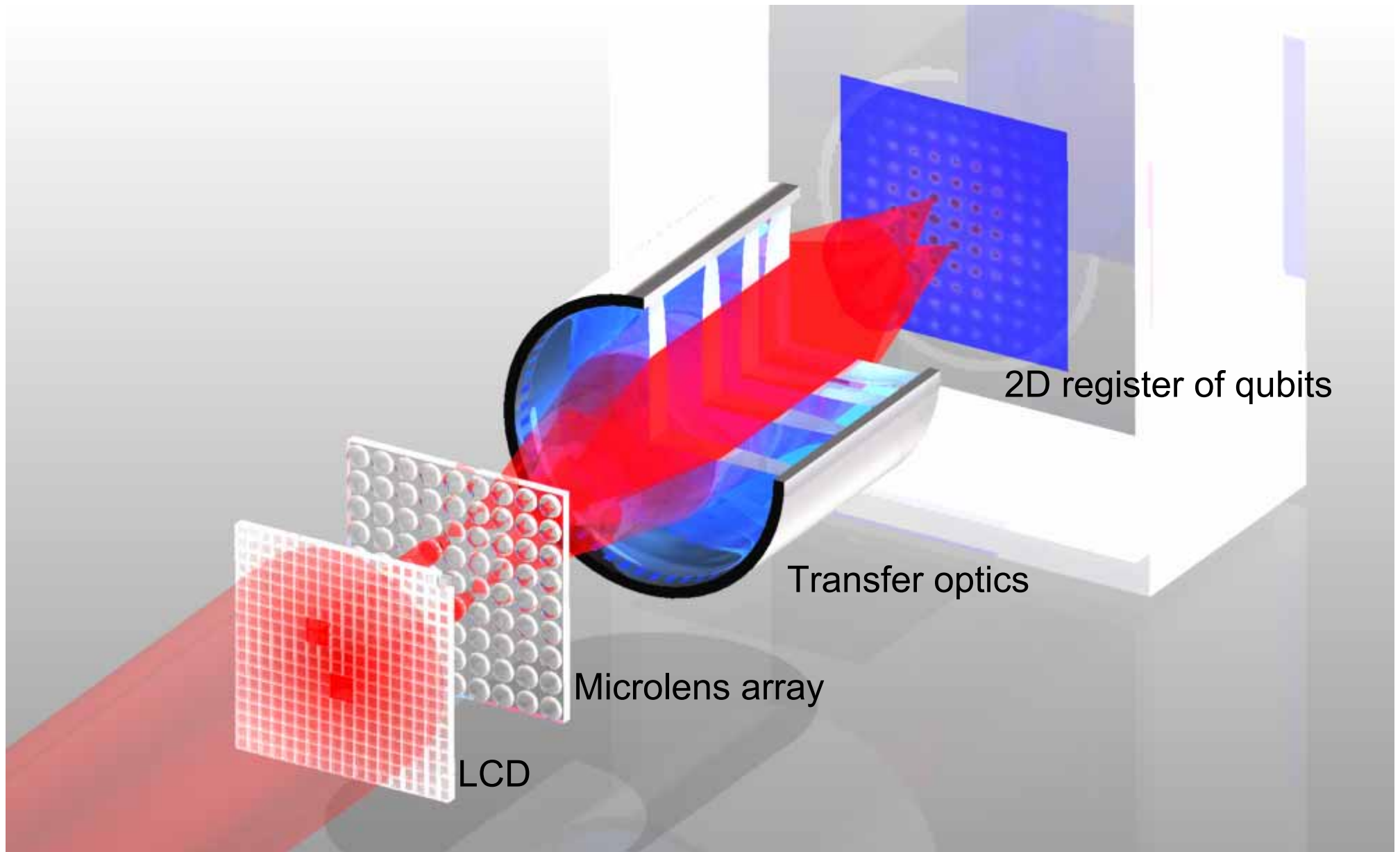
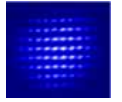
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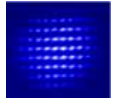
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# Reconfigurable Addressing of Selected Traps



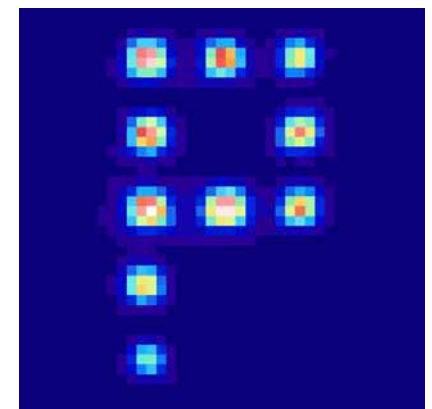
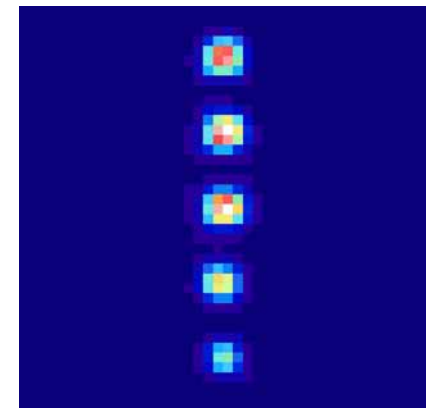
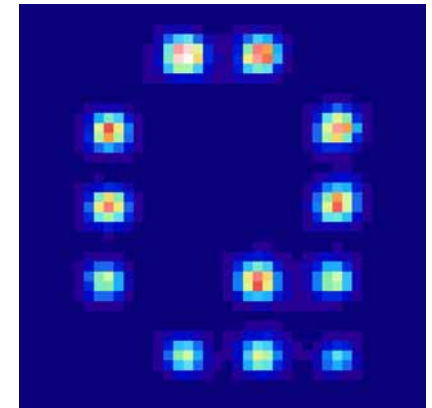
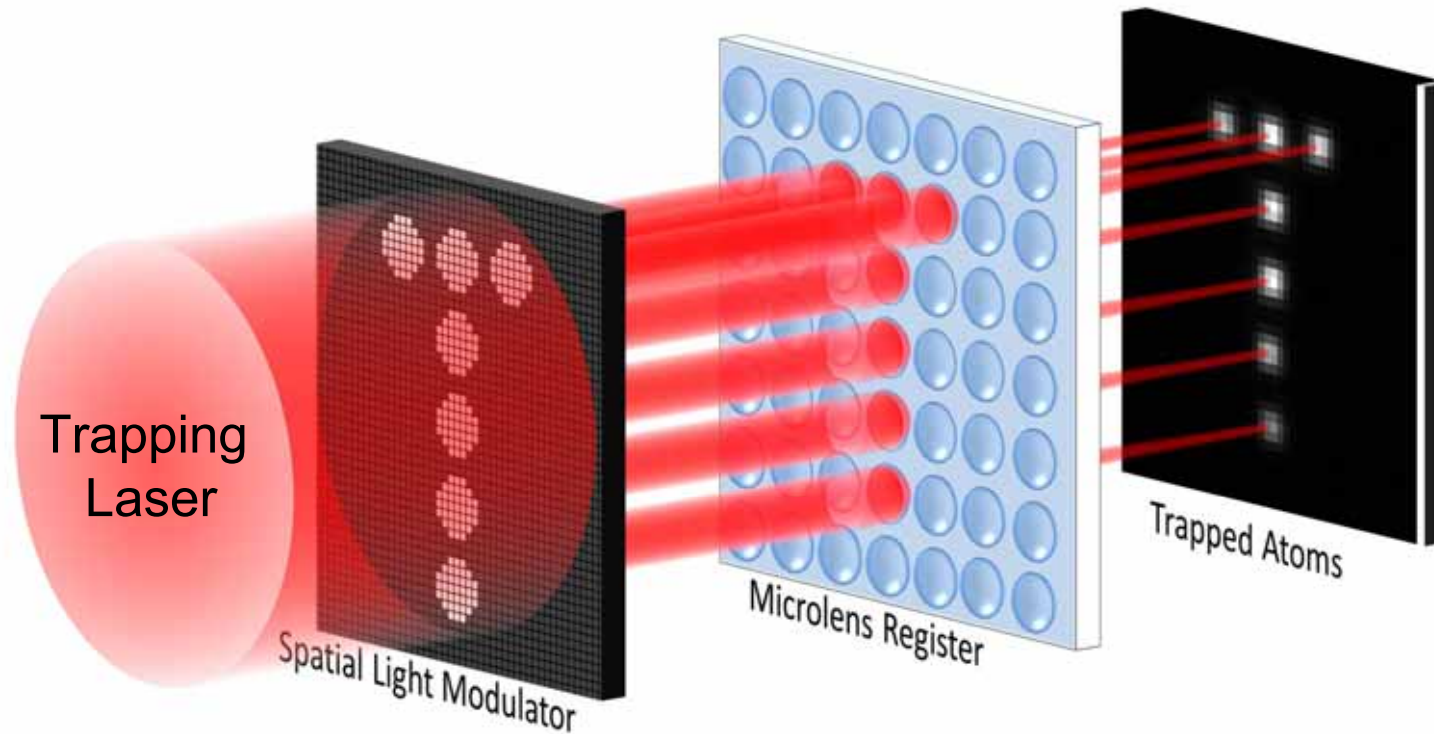
# Reconfigurable Addressing of Selected Traps



Addressing single microlenses



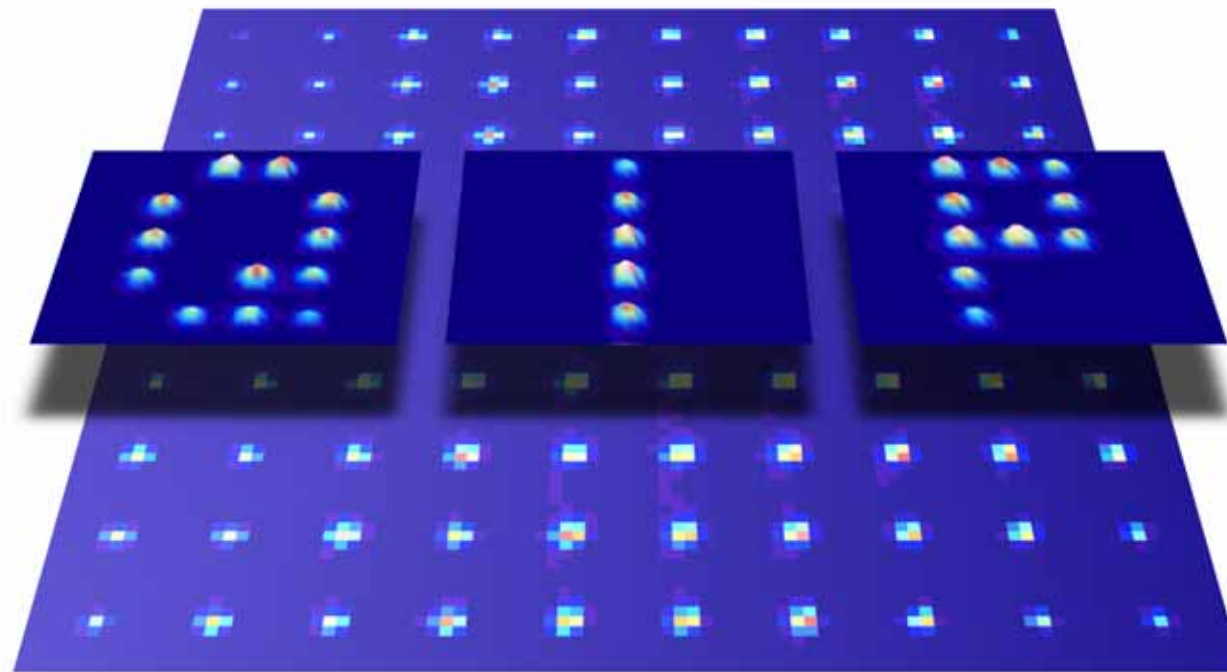
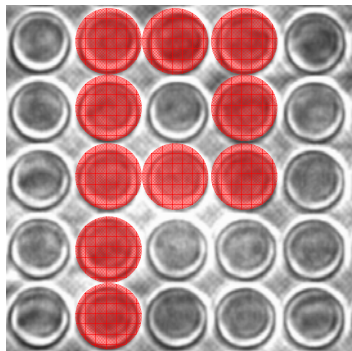
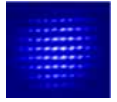
Addressing single sites



Combined system of microlenses  
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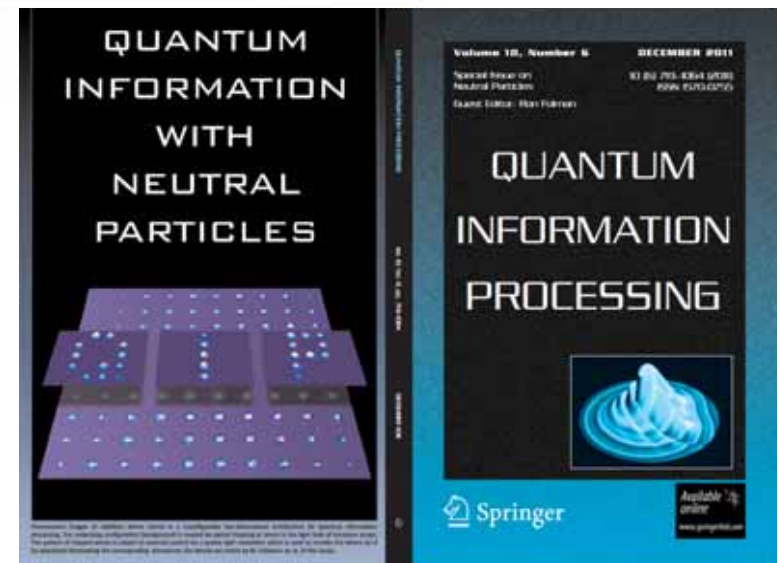


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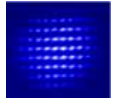


- Global illumination of microlens register:  
2D periodic trap array
- Reconfigurable addressing of selected lenses:  
Versatile geometries

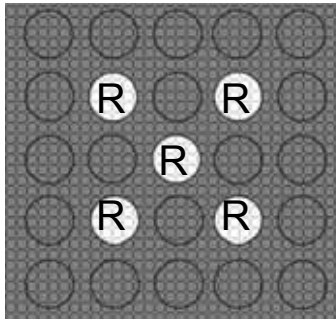
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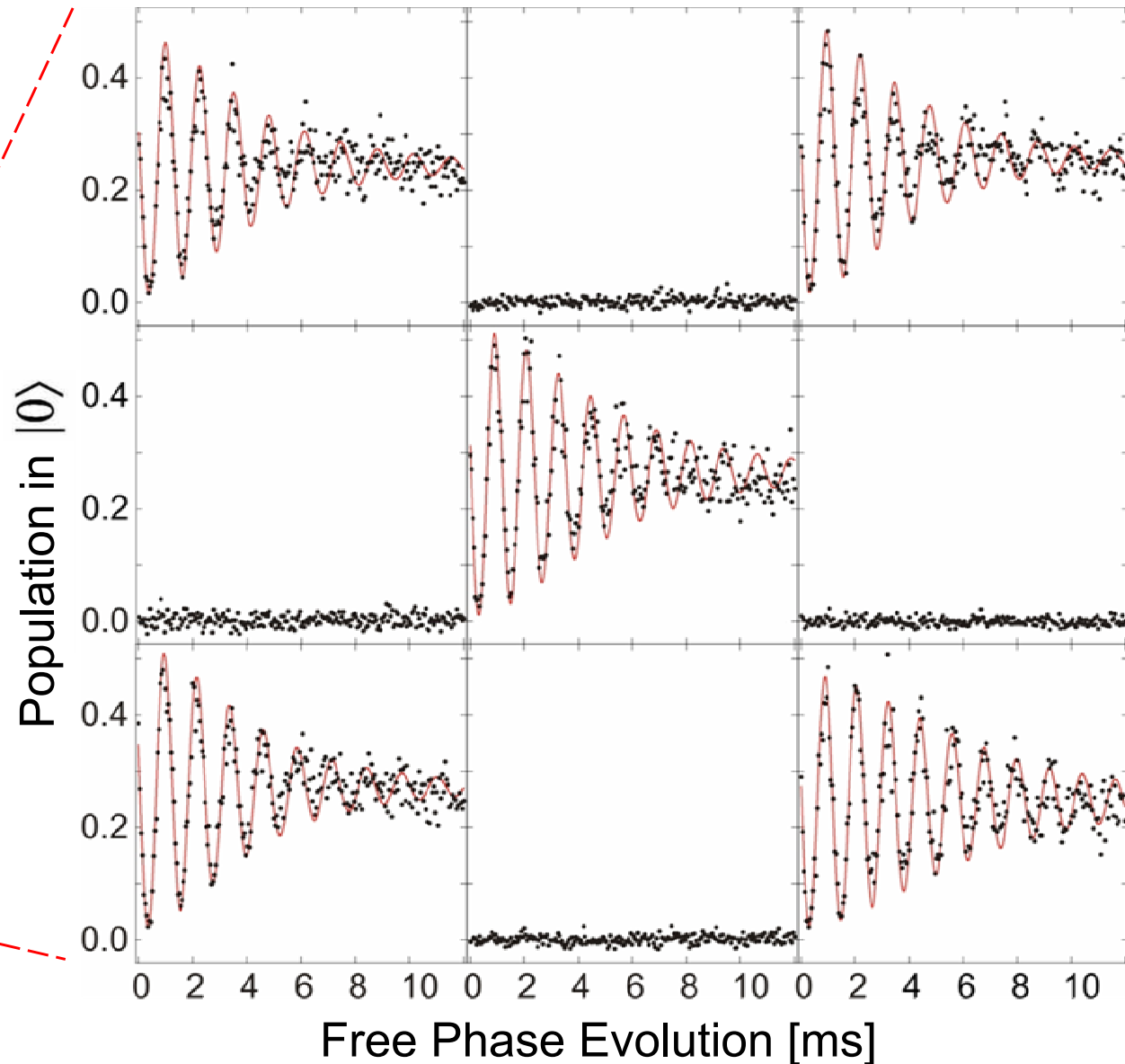
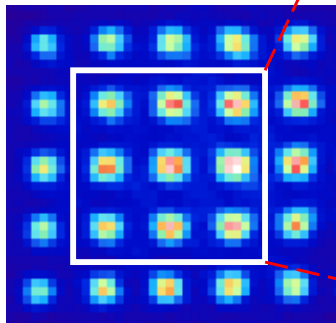
# Coherent Qubit Manipulation in Selected Traps



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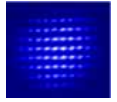


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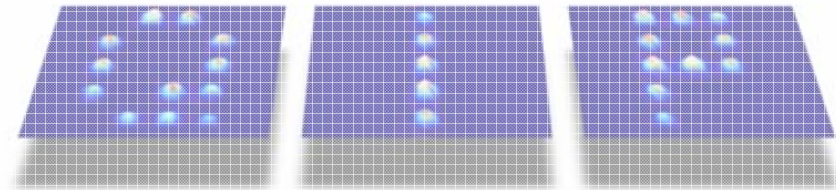


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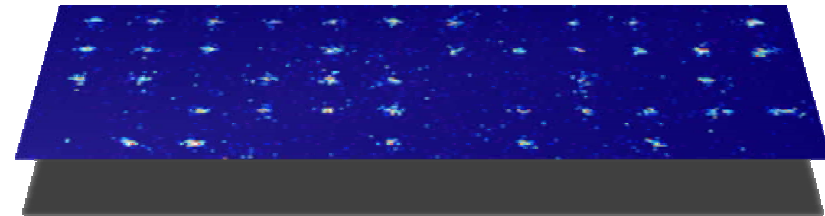
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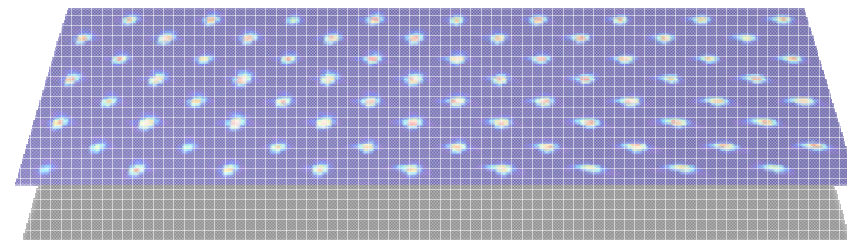
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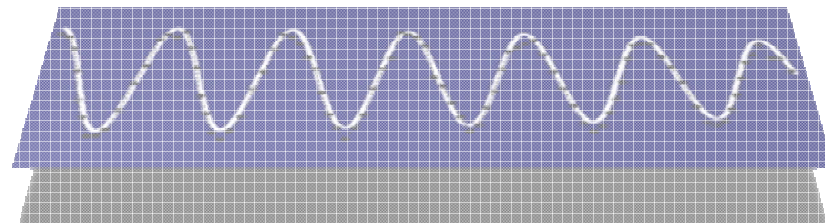
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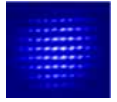


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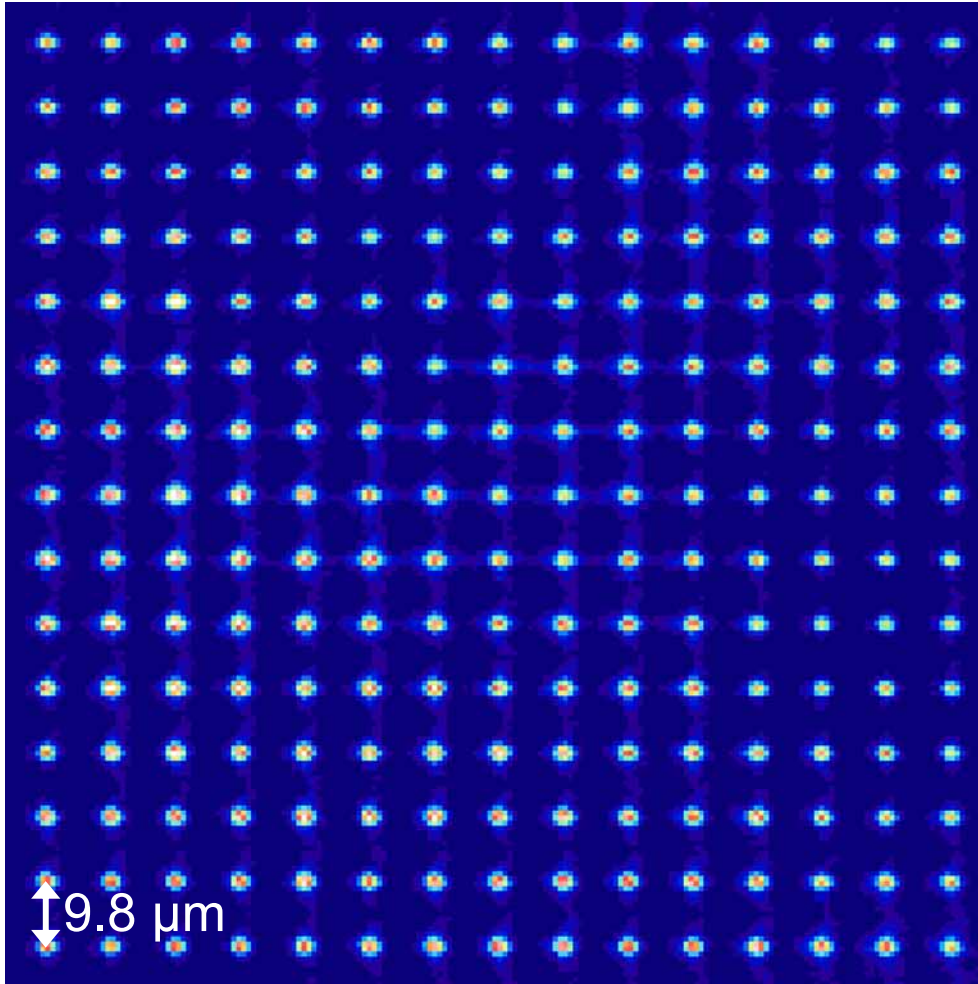




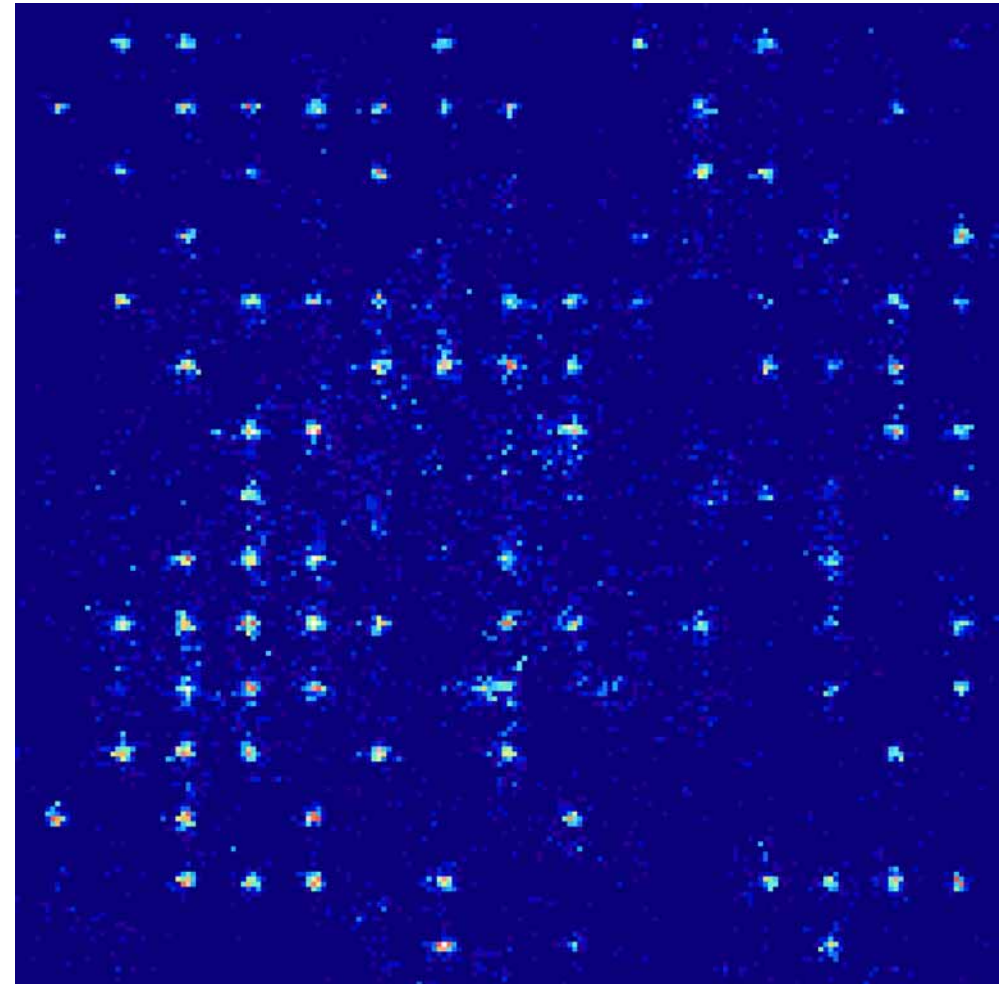
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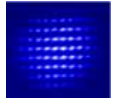
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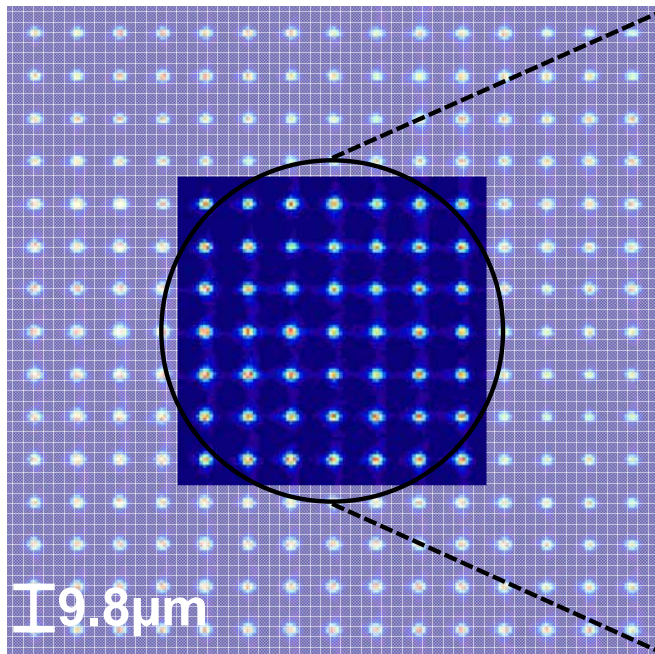
Single shot images



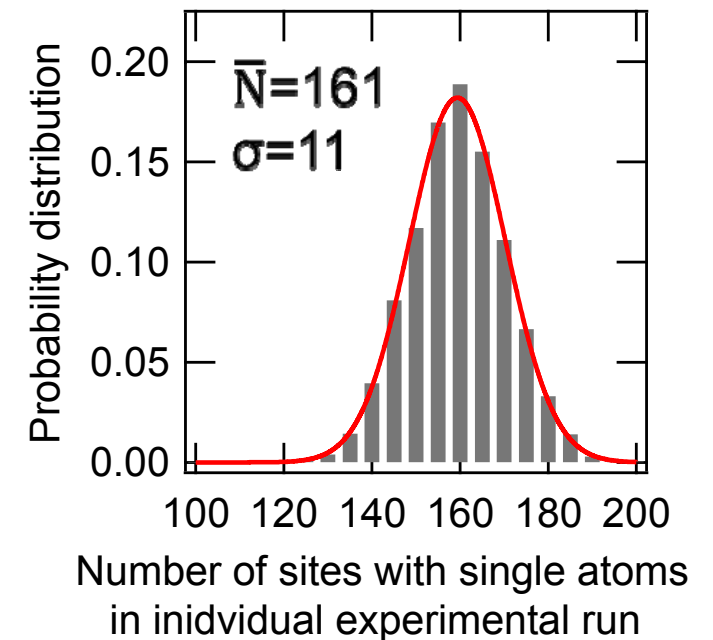
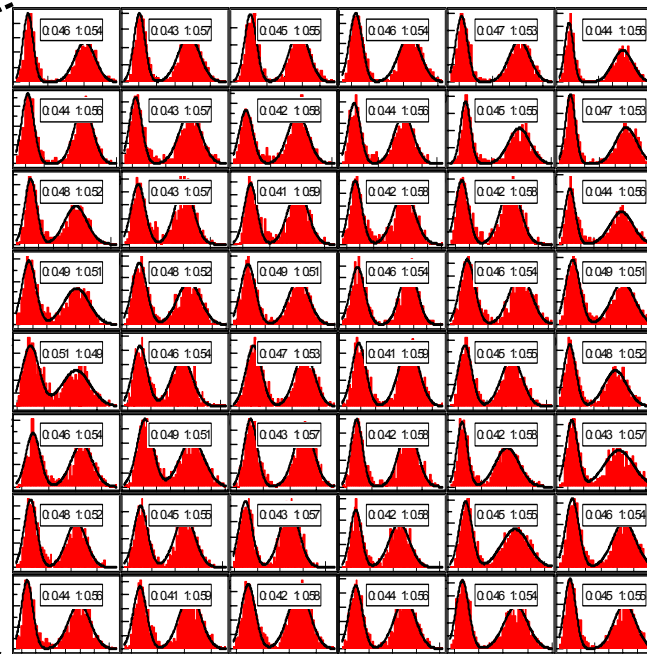
# 380 Site Single-Atom Array $\rightarrow$ More Than 100 Qubits



15x15 site detail (averaged)



Atom number statistics (individual site resolution in 380 traps)

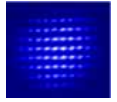


More than 380 traps with  $\geq 37\%$  single atom events

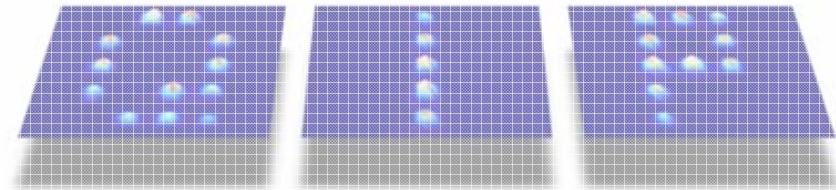


About 160 single-atom qubits in each realization

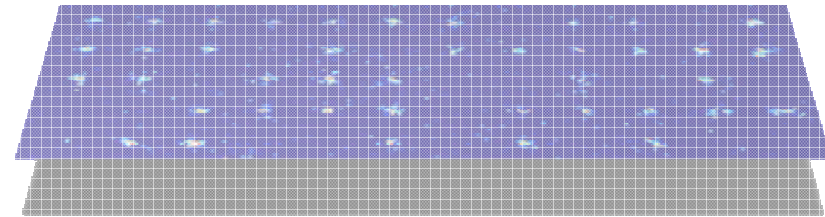
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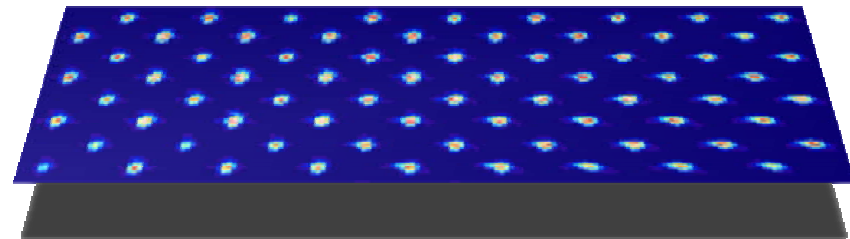
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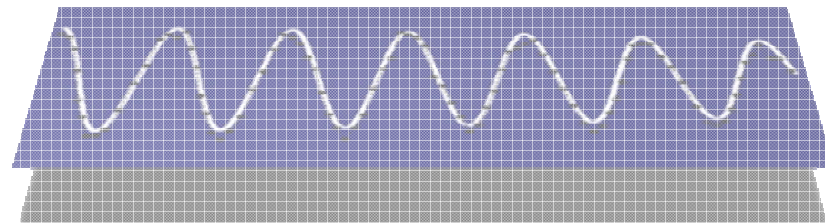
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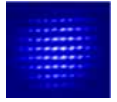


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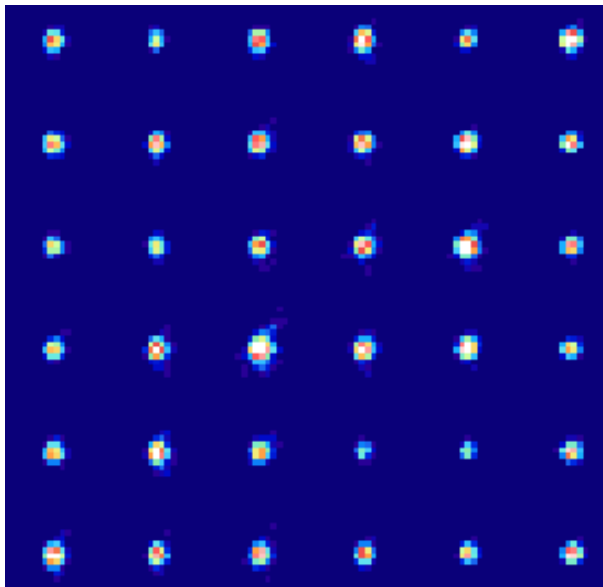


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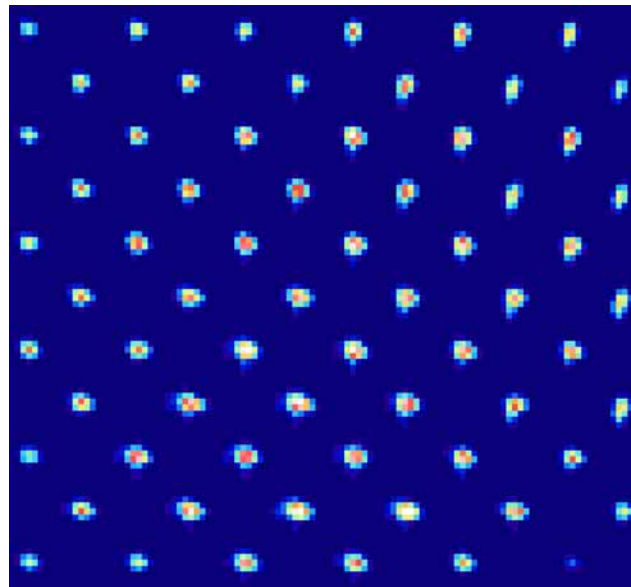


Superimposing two dipole trap registers  Adjustable trap separation

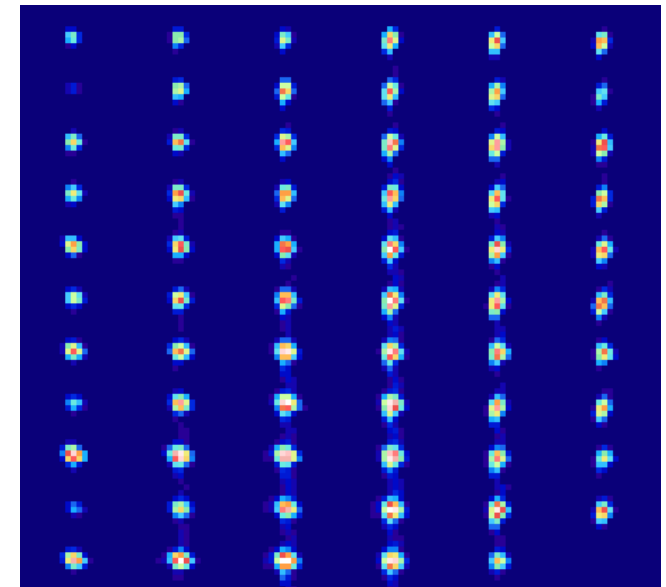
Averaged images



13  $\mu\text{m}$



9.2  $\mu\text{m}$



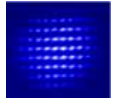
6.5  $\mu\text{m}$

More than 50 traps  
 $\geq 50\%$  single atom events

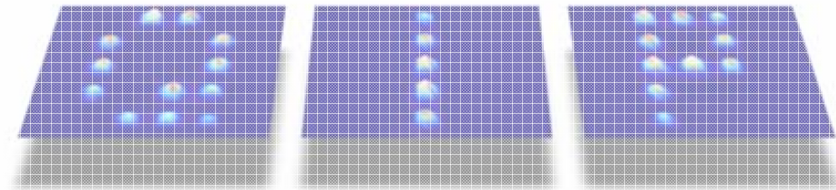


About 25 single-atom qubits  
in each realization

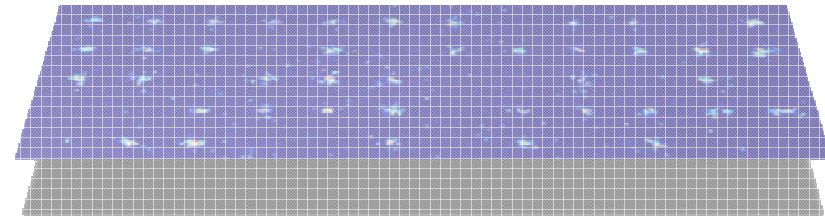
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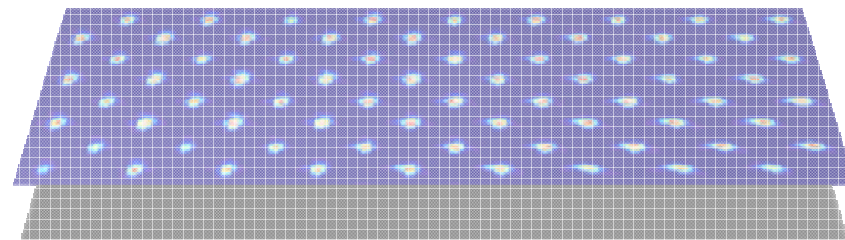
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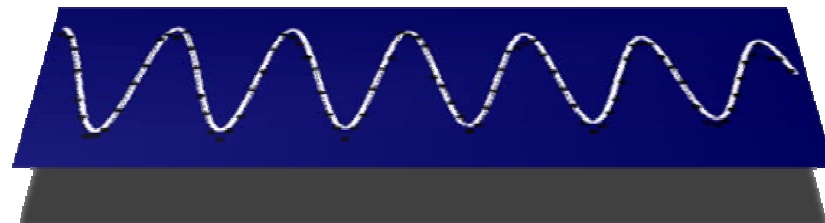
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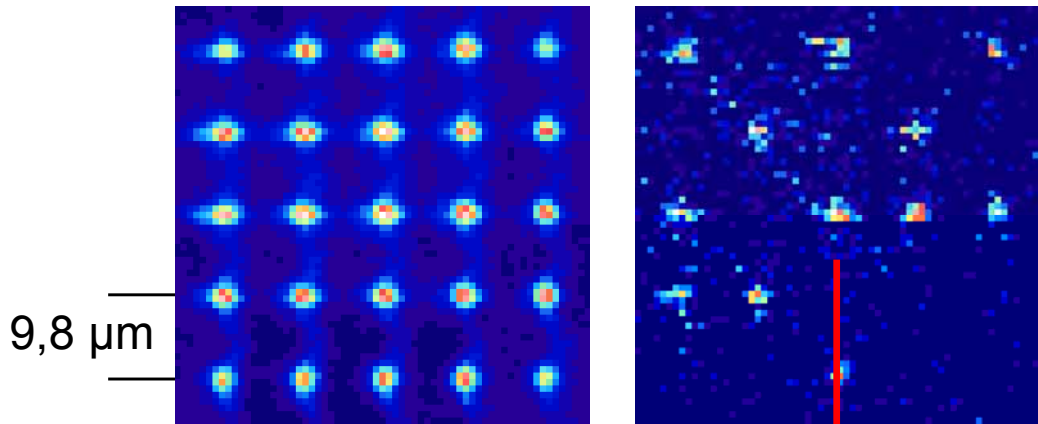
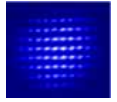
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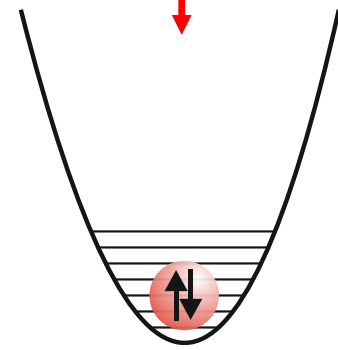
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# Qubit Basis

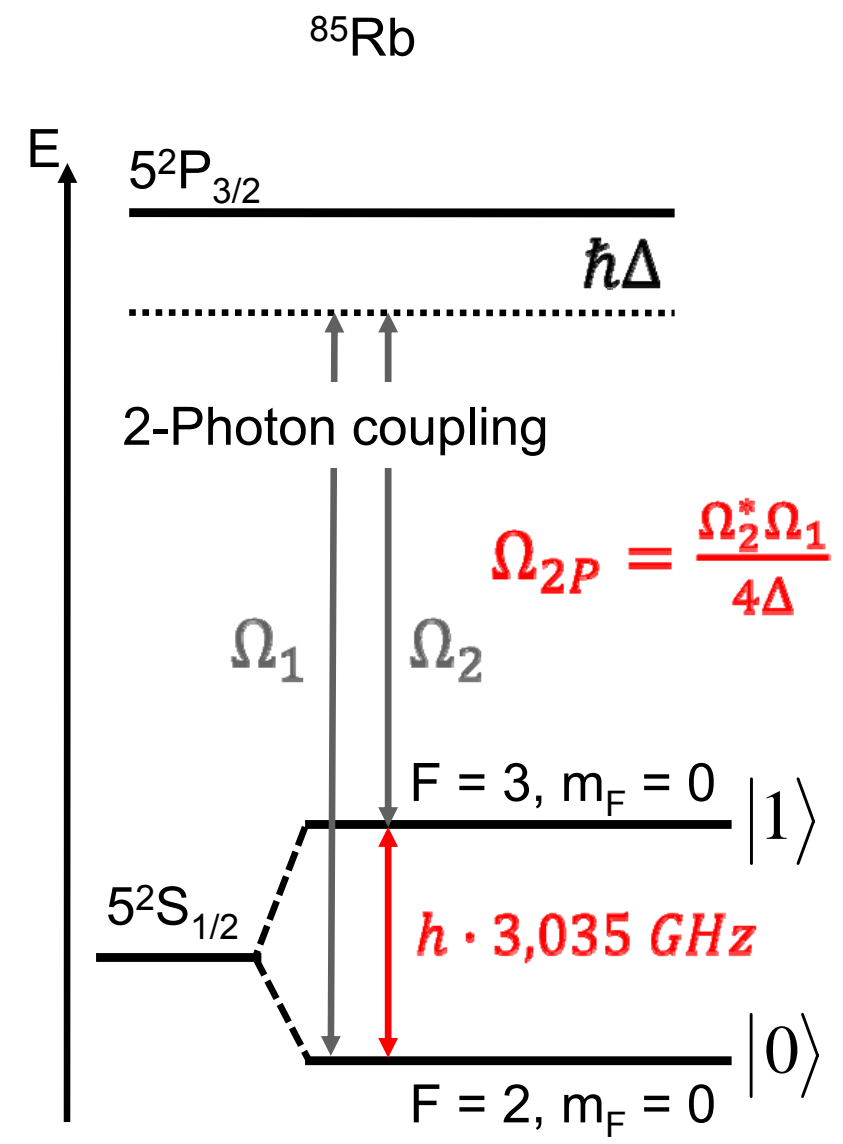


$\lambda = 805,1 \text{ nm}$   
 $U_0 = k_B \cdot 0,25 \text{ mK}$   
 $w_0 = 1,5 \mu\text{m}$

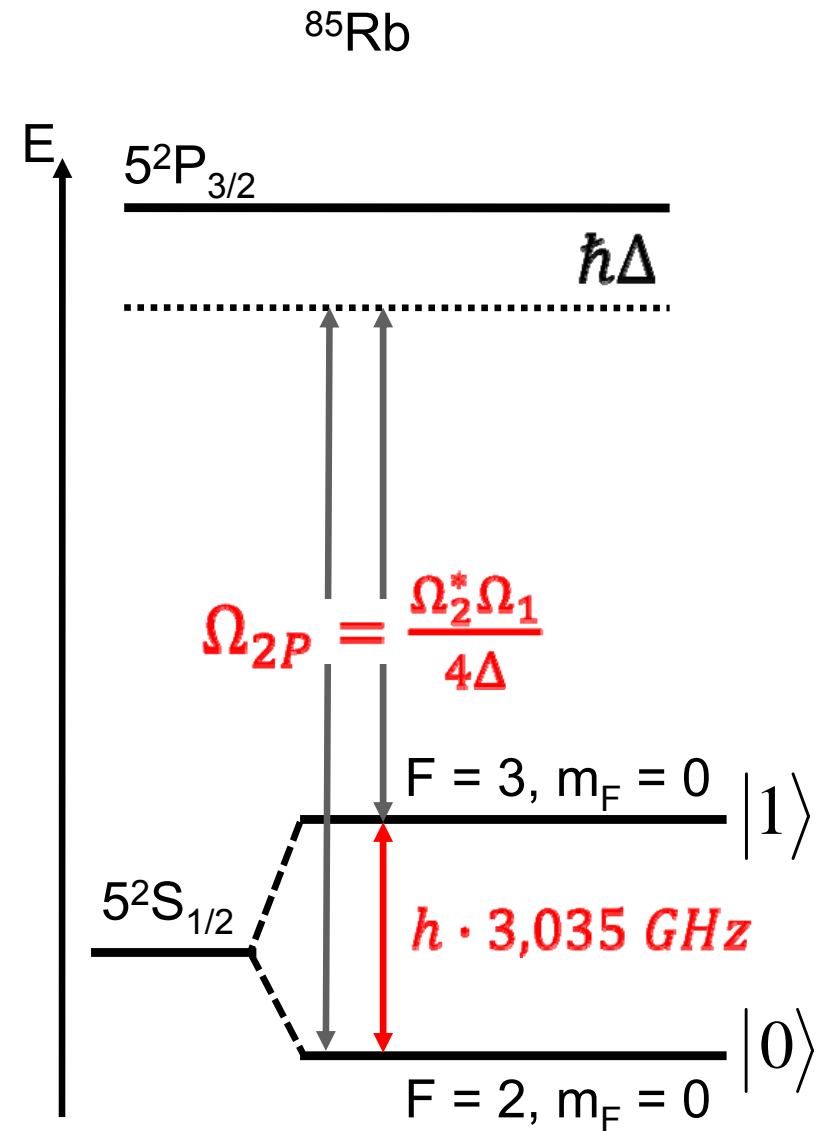
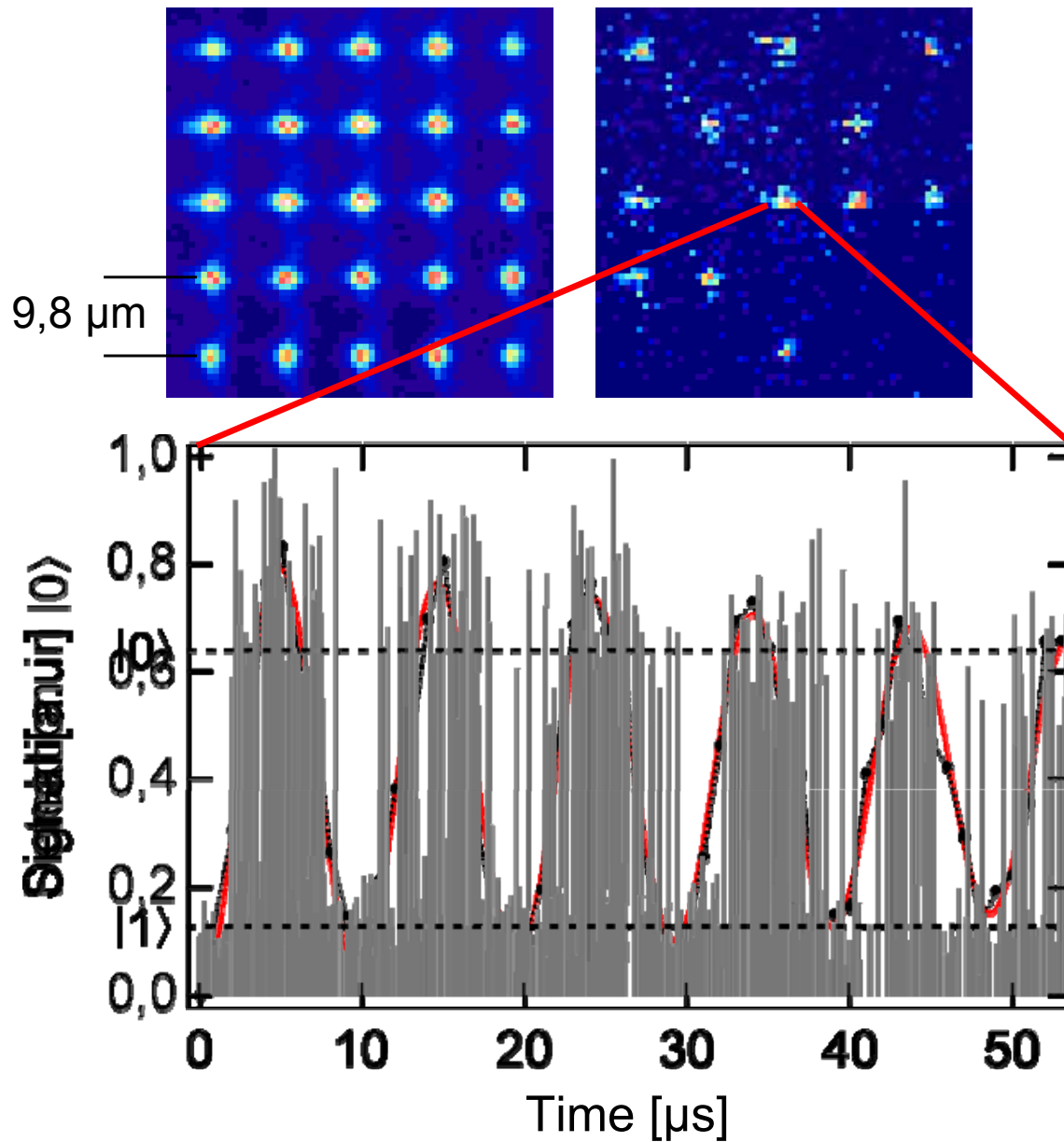


$$|\psi\rangle = a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle$$

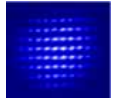
$$|a|^2 + |b|^2 = 1$$



# Fast Qubit Rotation



# Work in Progress: 2-Qubit Gates and Entanglement



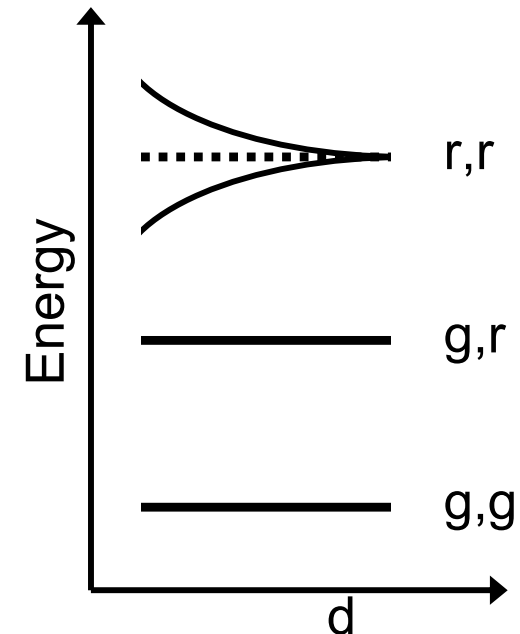
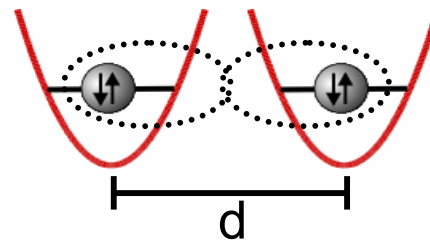
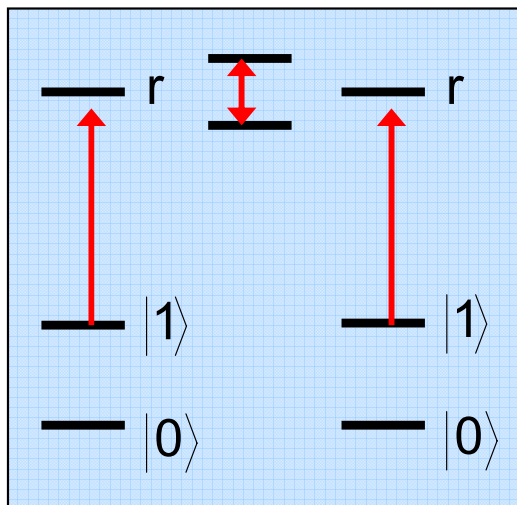
## 2-Qubit Gates using Rydberg Blockade

**Requirement:** Trap separation  $d < 10\mu\text{m}$

Interaction of atoms in separated sites

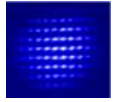


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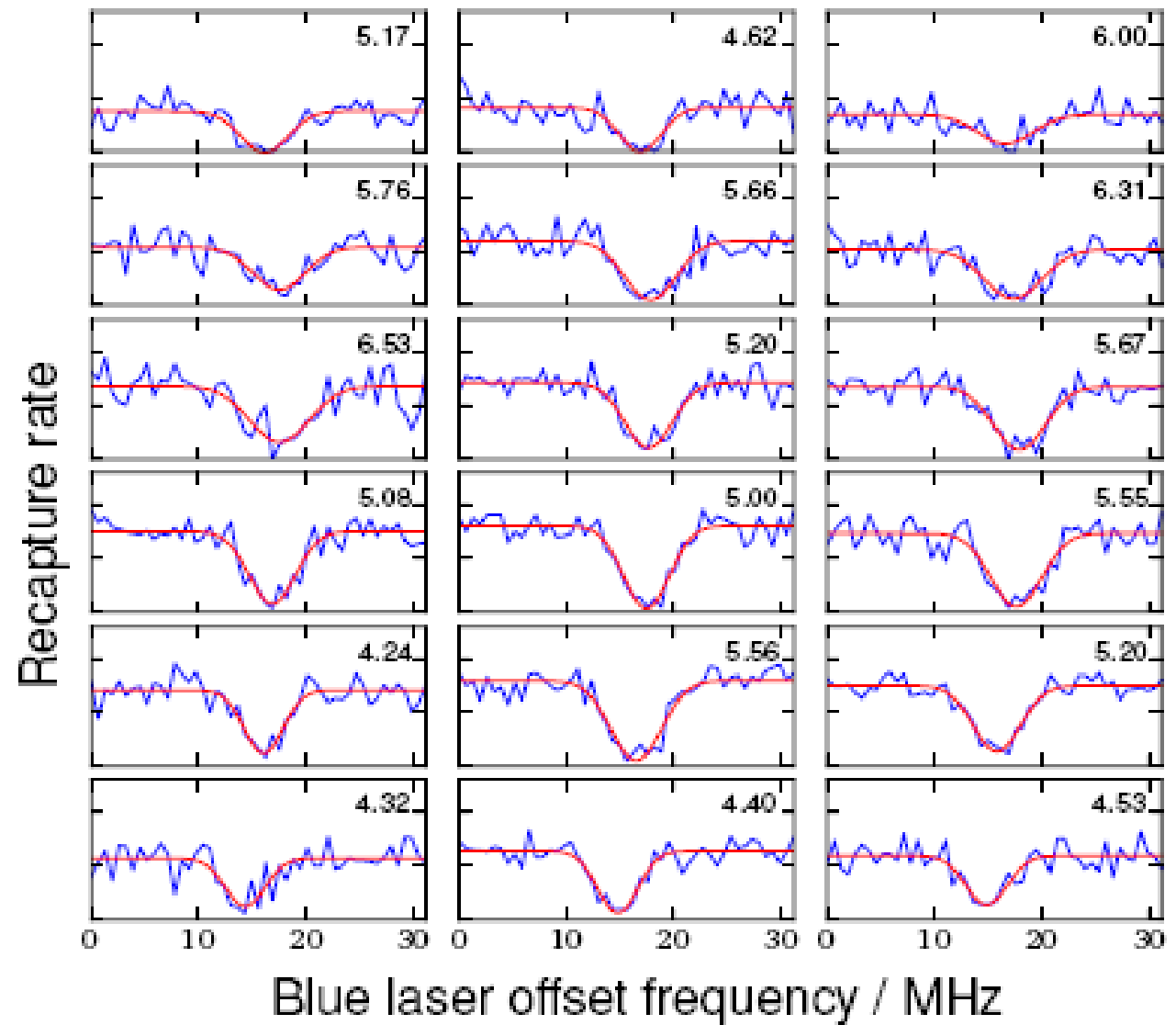
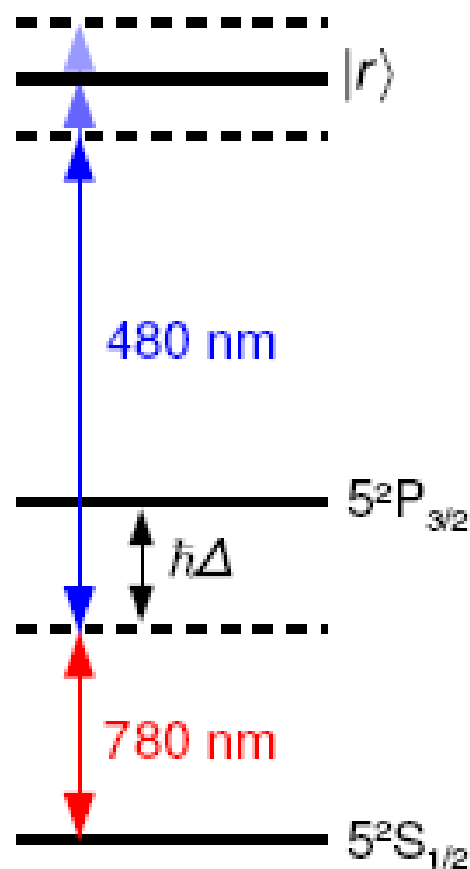


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# Rydberg Excitation in Arrays of Single Atoms

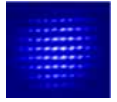


Coupling to Rydberg state  $|r\rangle$   
via two-photon transition

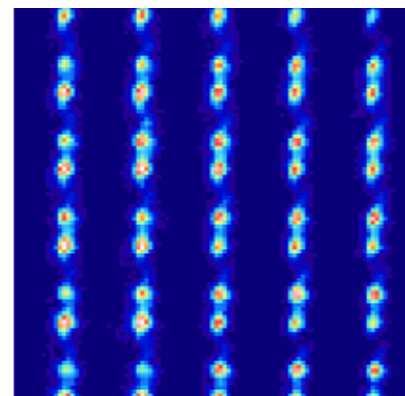
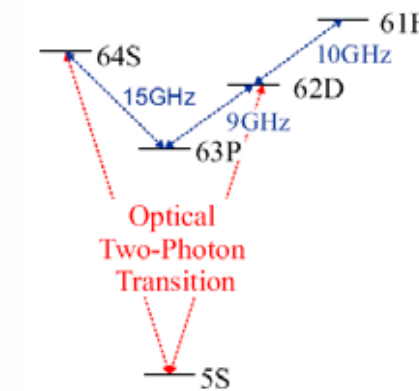
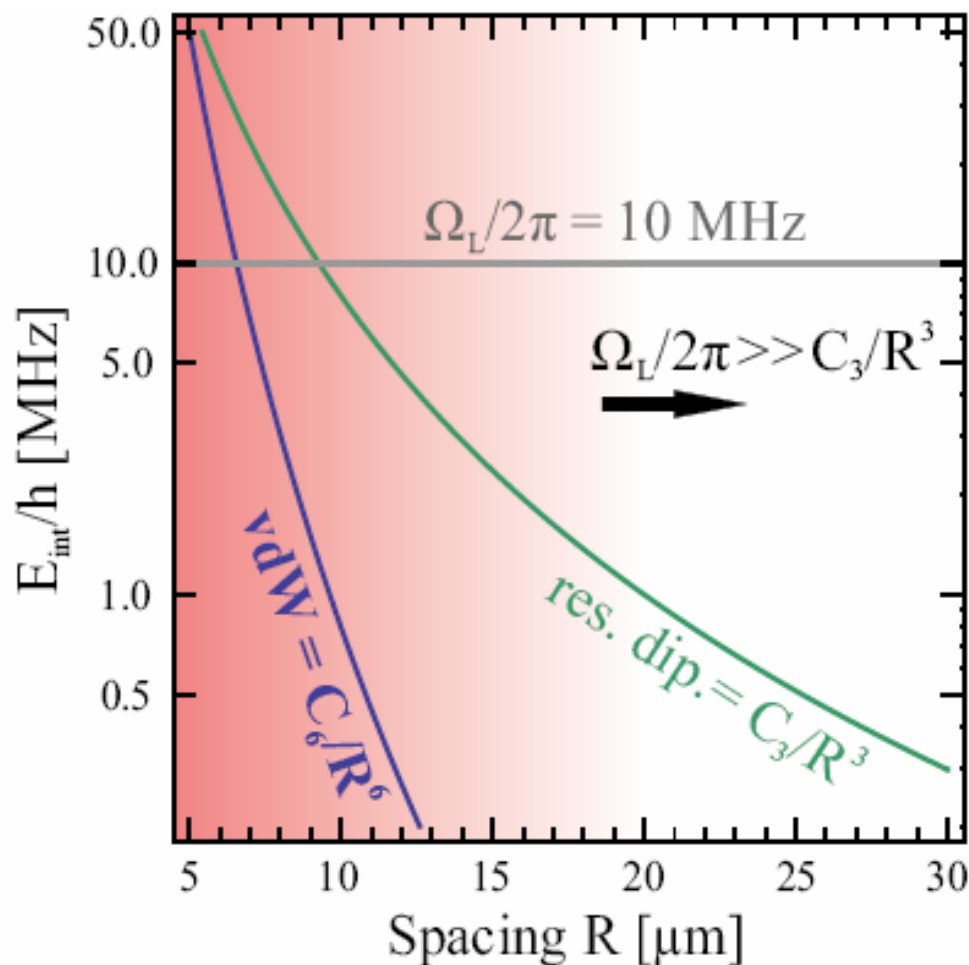




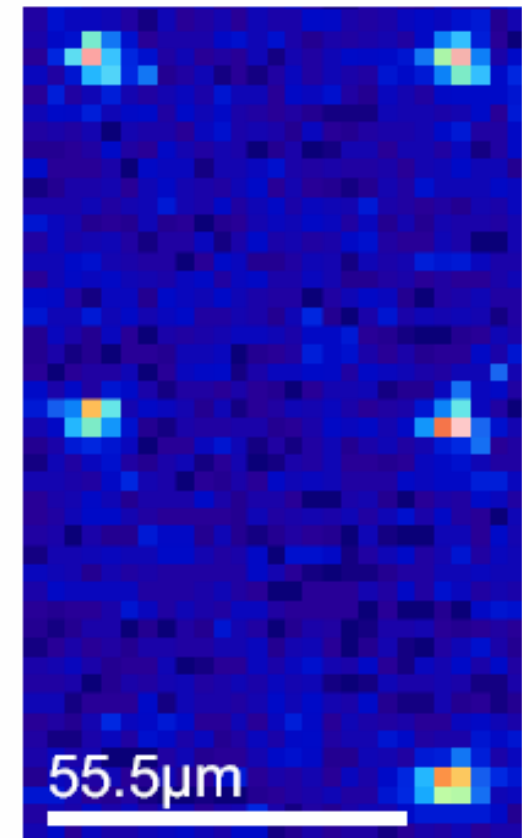
# Many-Body Rydberg Physics with Interaction Control



## Investigation of Excitation Transport and XY Spin Exchange Hamiltonians in Rydberg Arrays with Controlled Interactions: Resonant dipolar or van der Waals Couplings with MHz Strengths

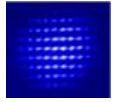


Separation:  $4.8 \mu\text{m}$

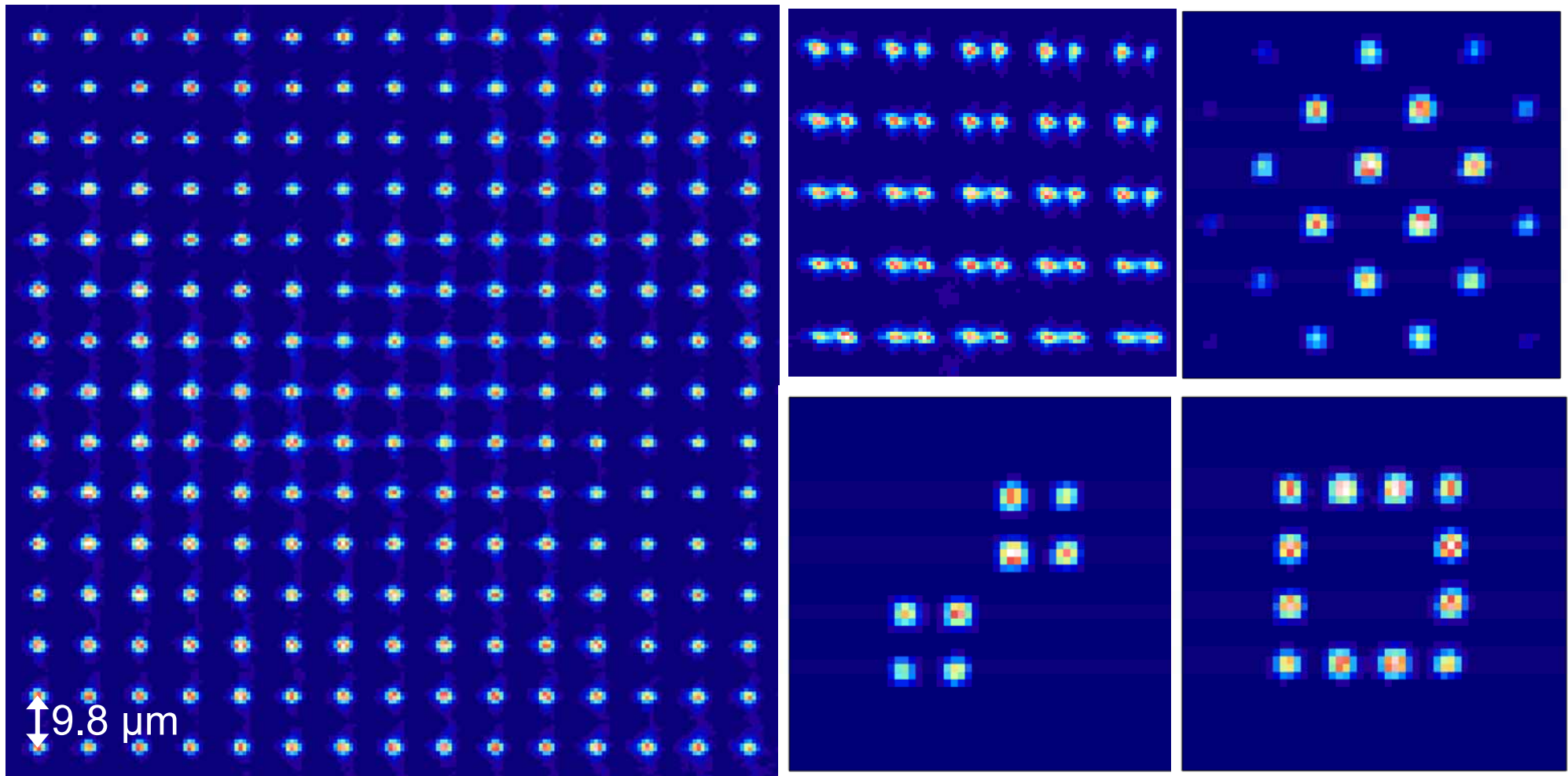


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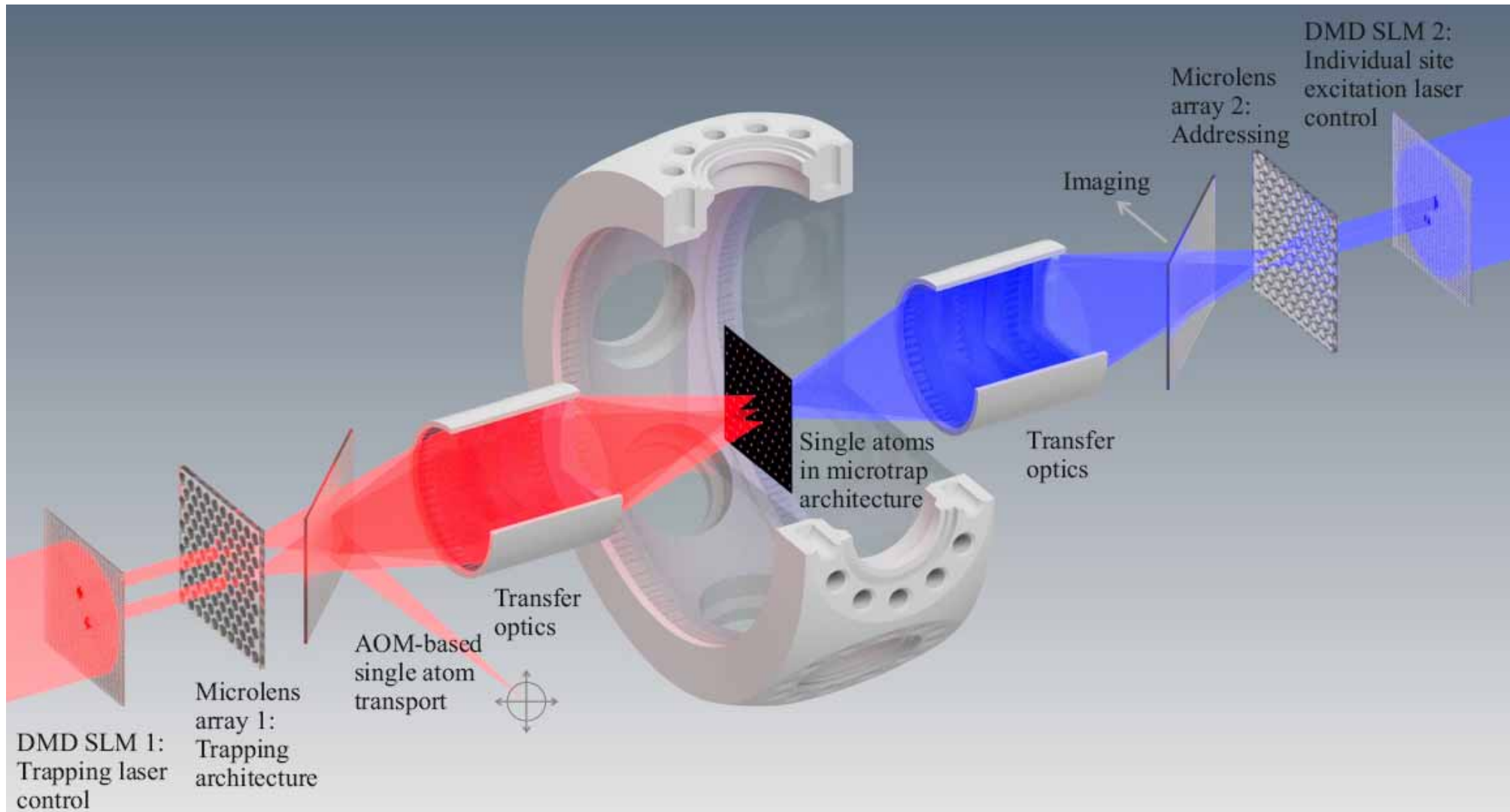
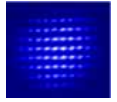
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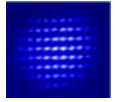
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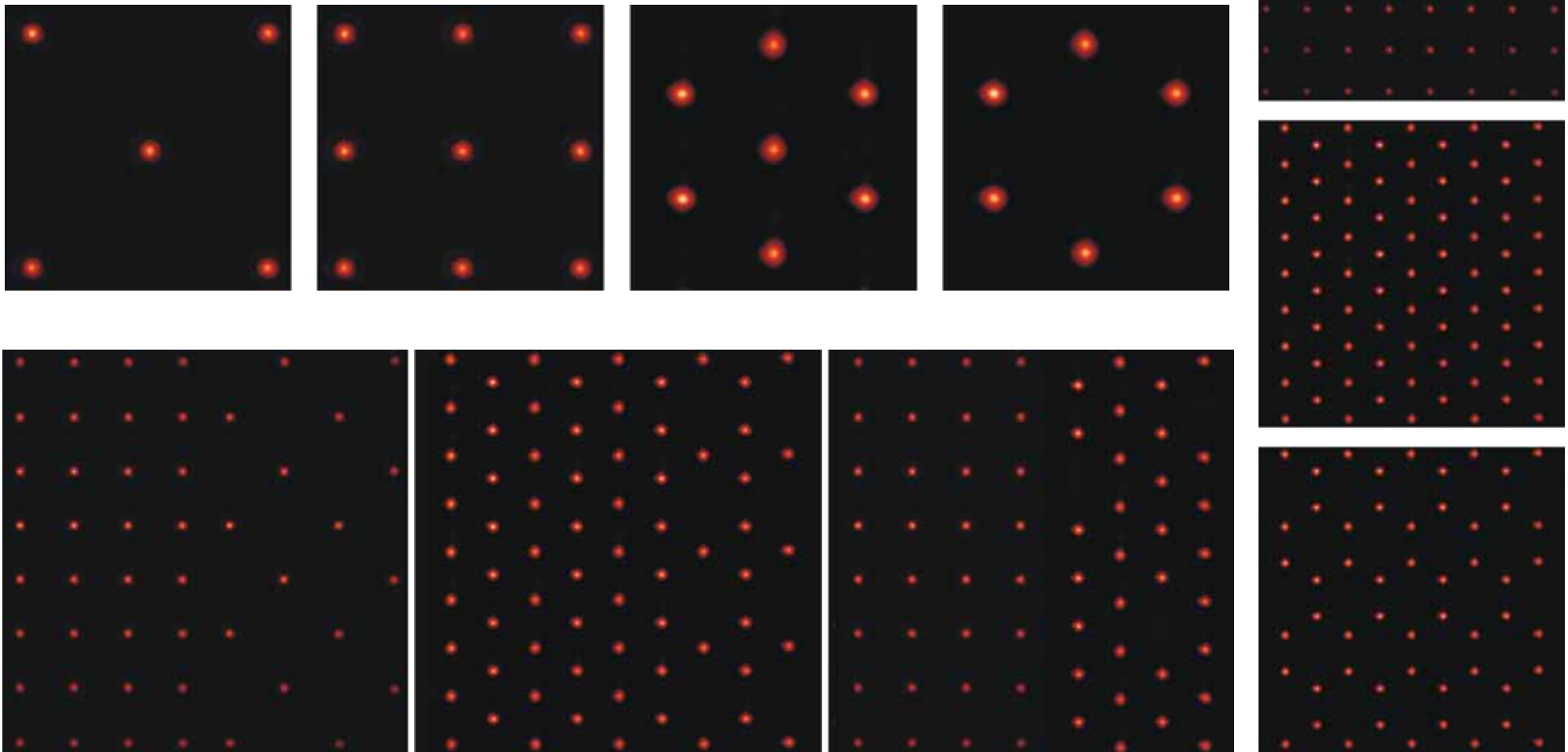
# Single-Atom Array Setup with Local Control



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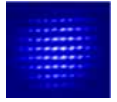


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# Tunneling-Coupled Many Body Physics in Atom Arrays

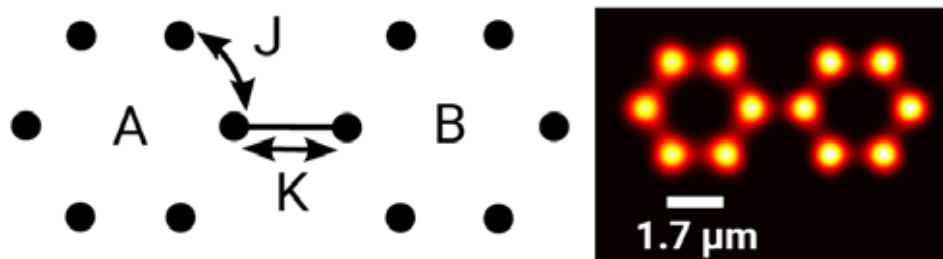
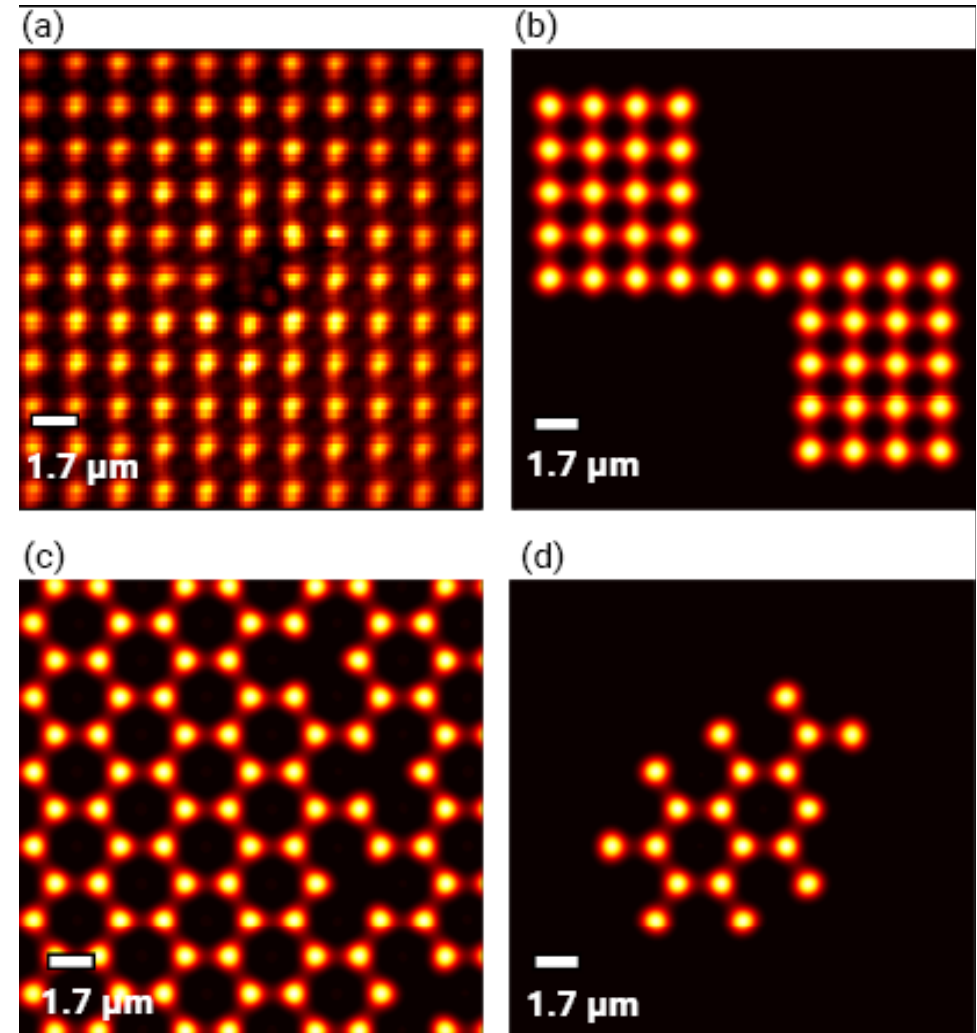


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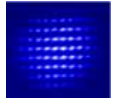
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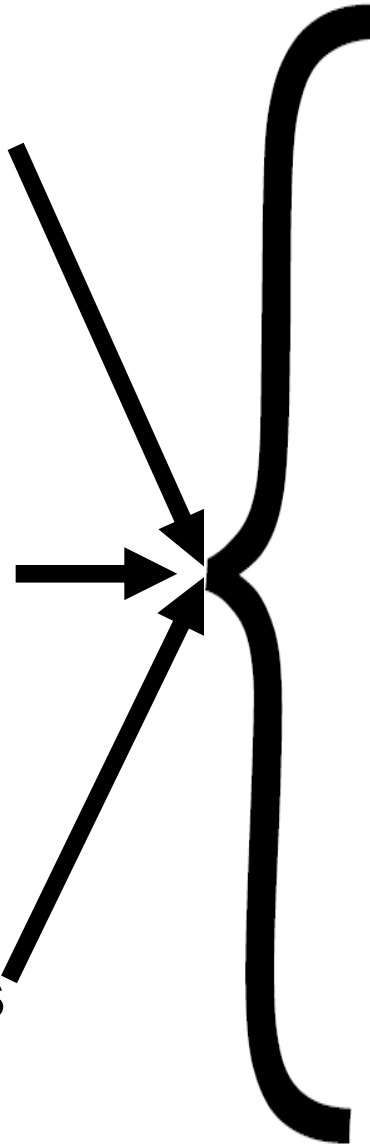
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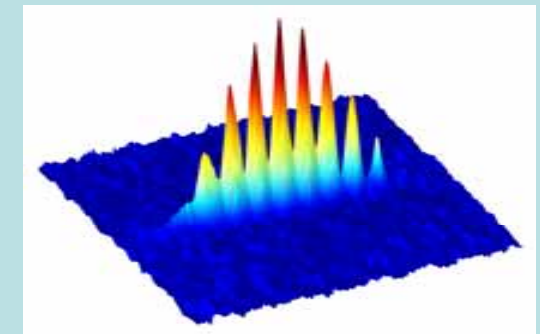
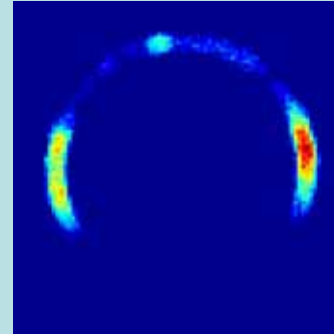
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