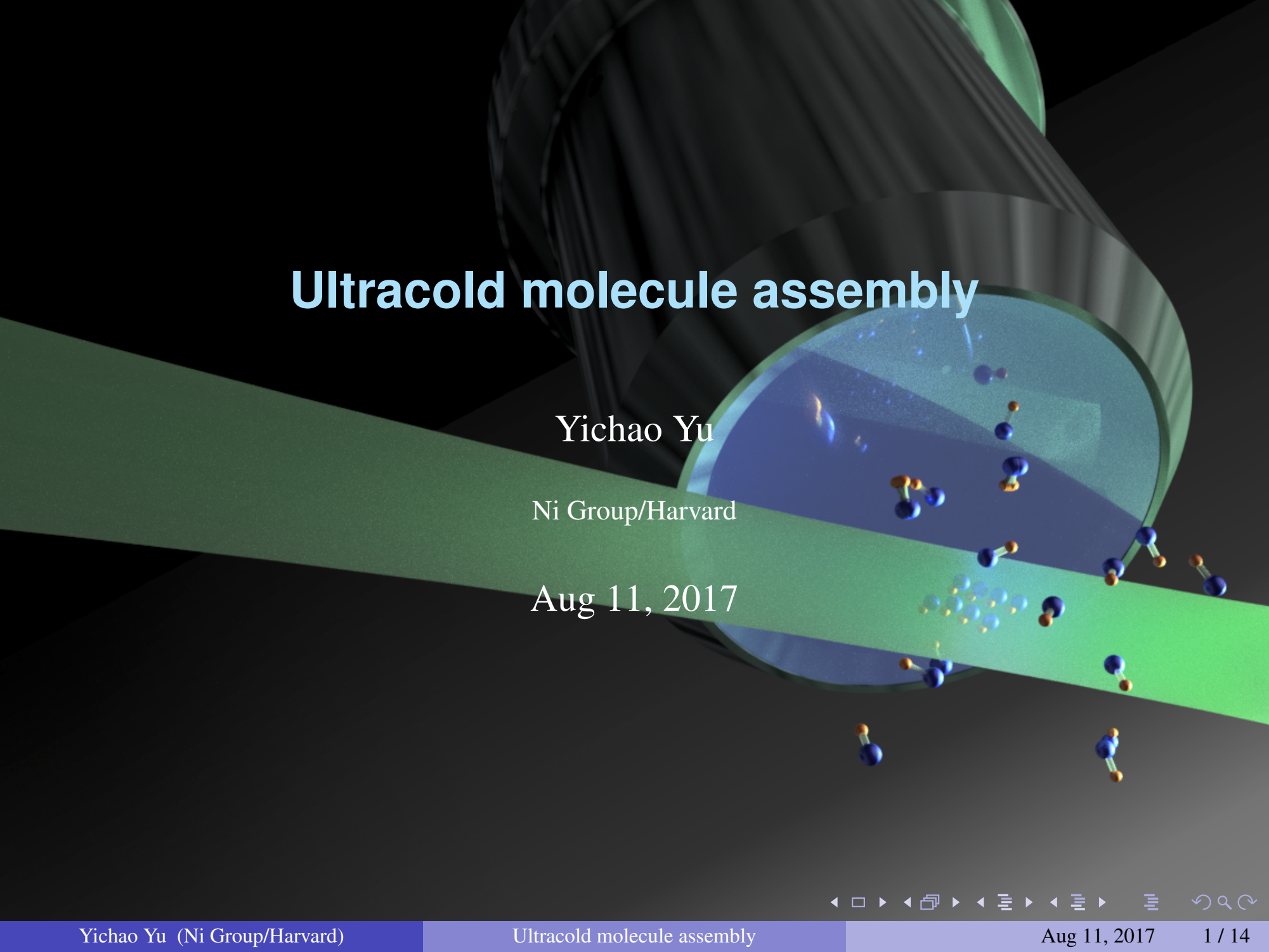

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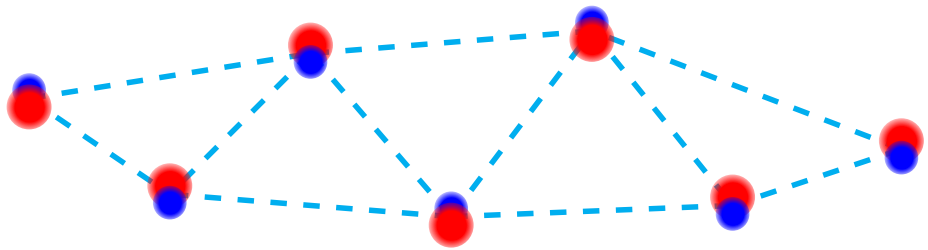

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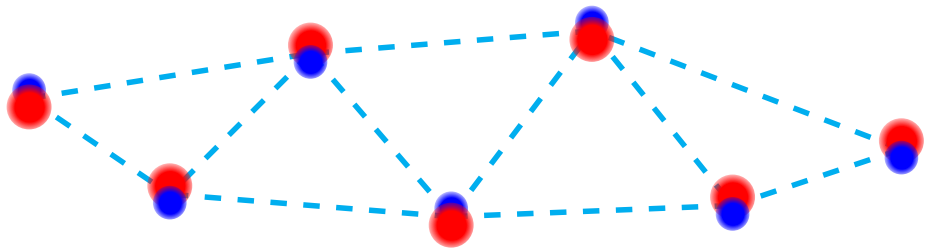

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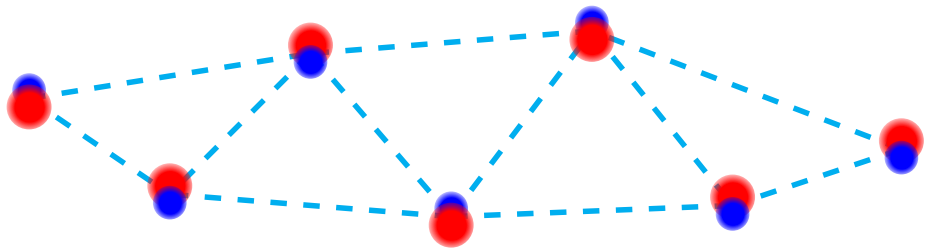

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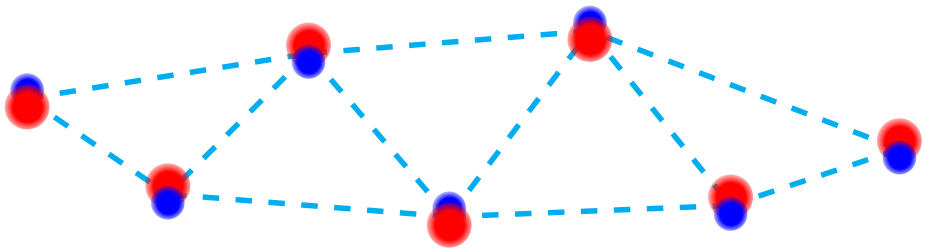

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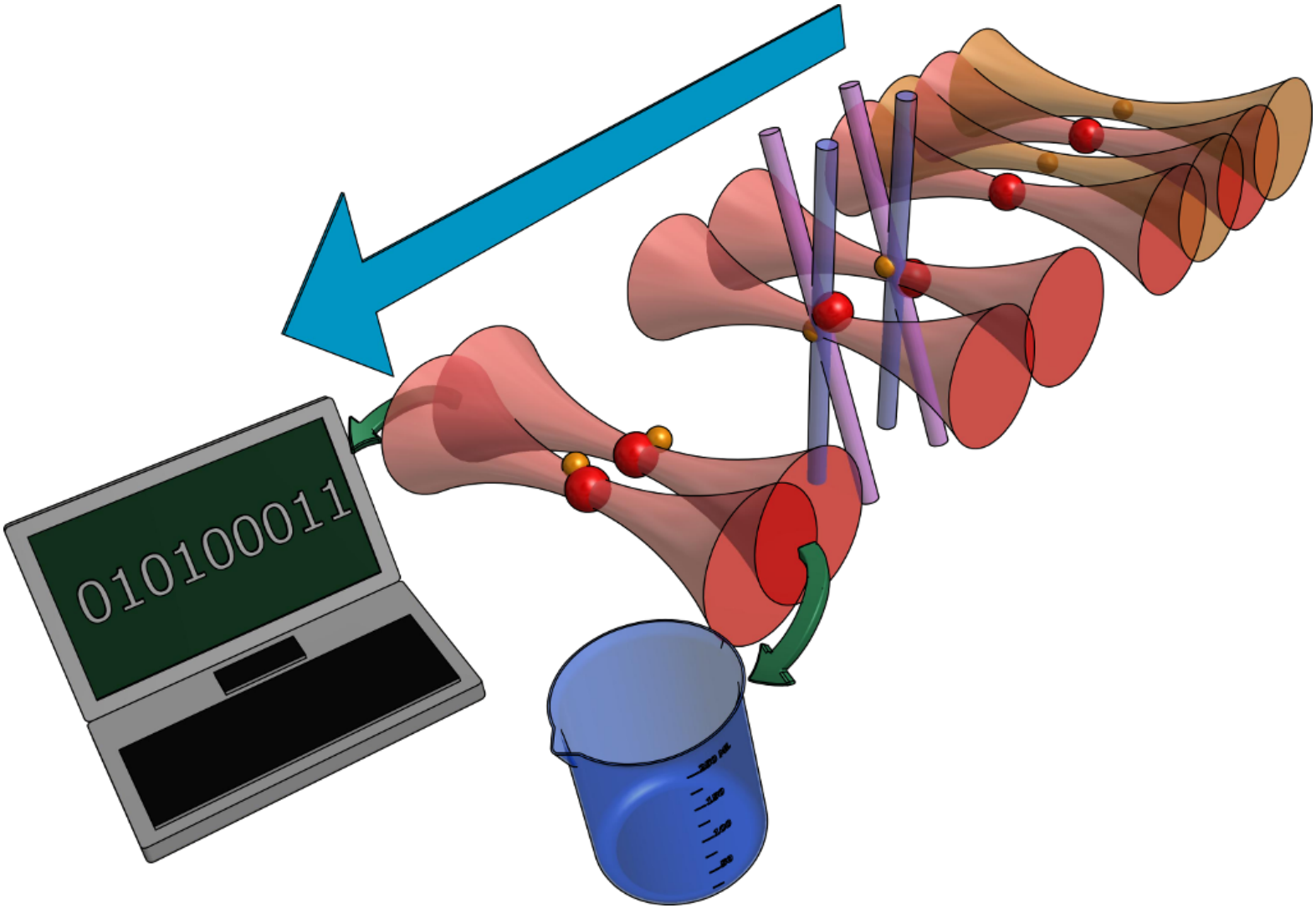

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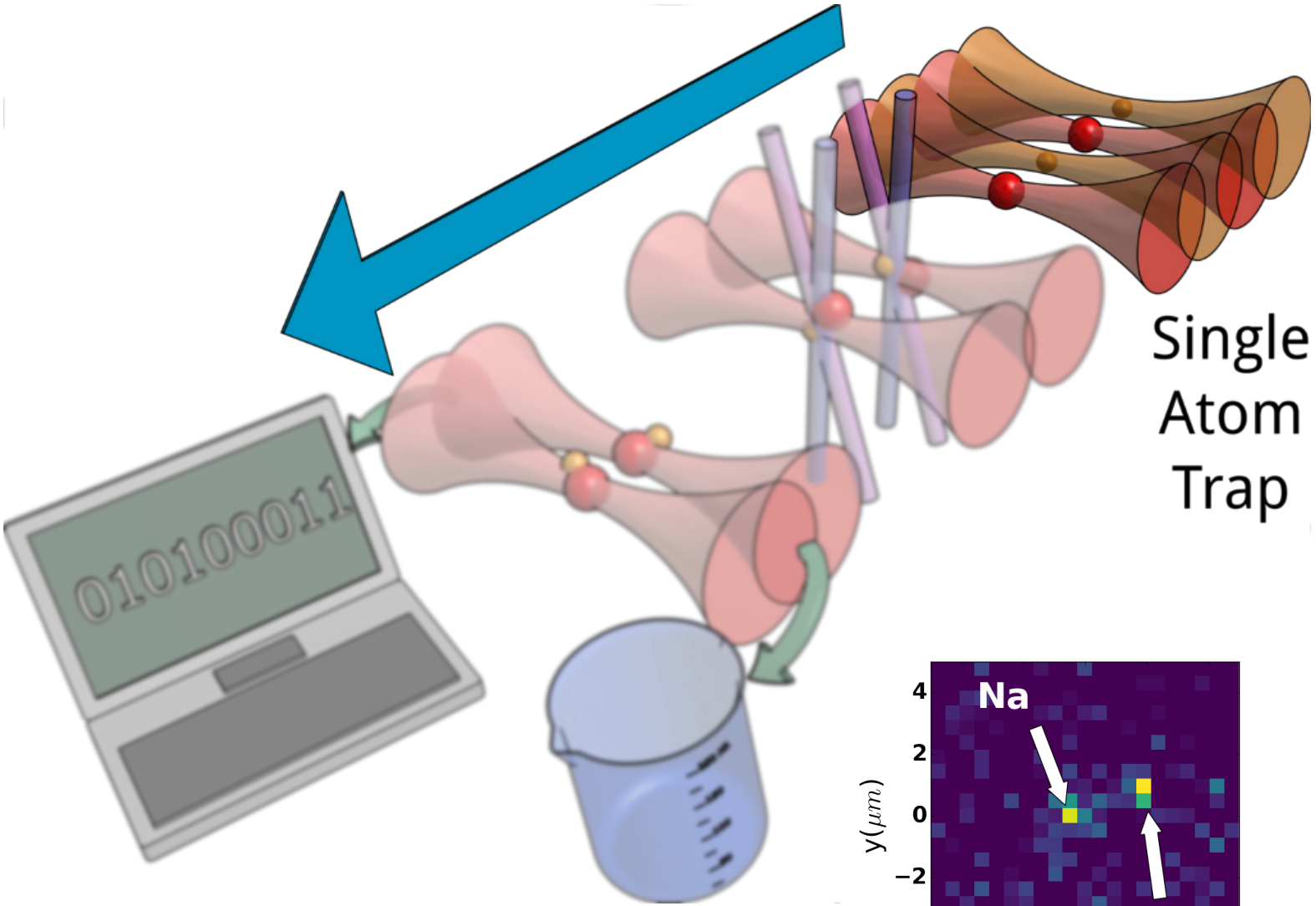

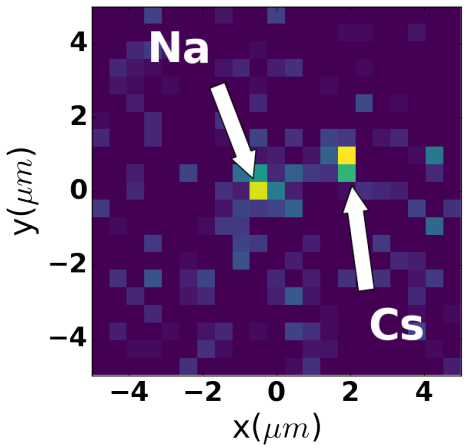

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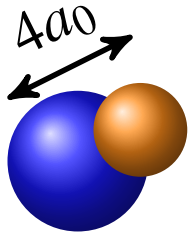

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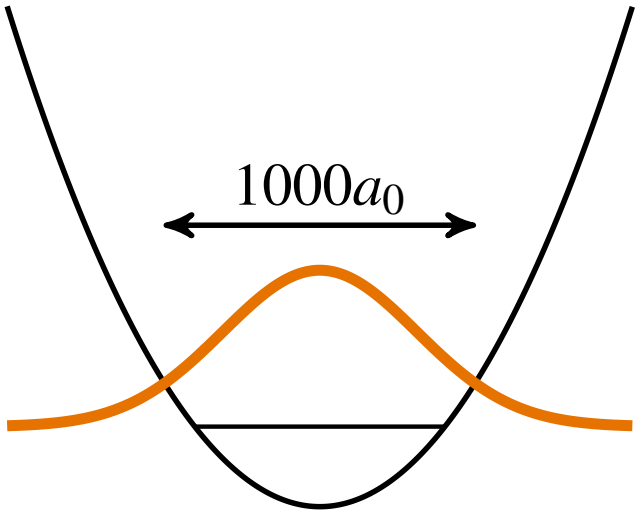

Atom

Goal of cooling

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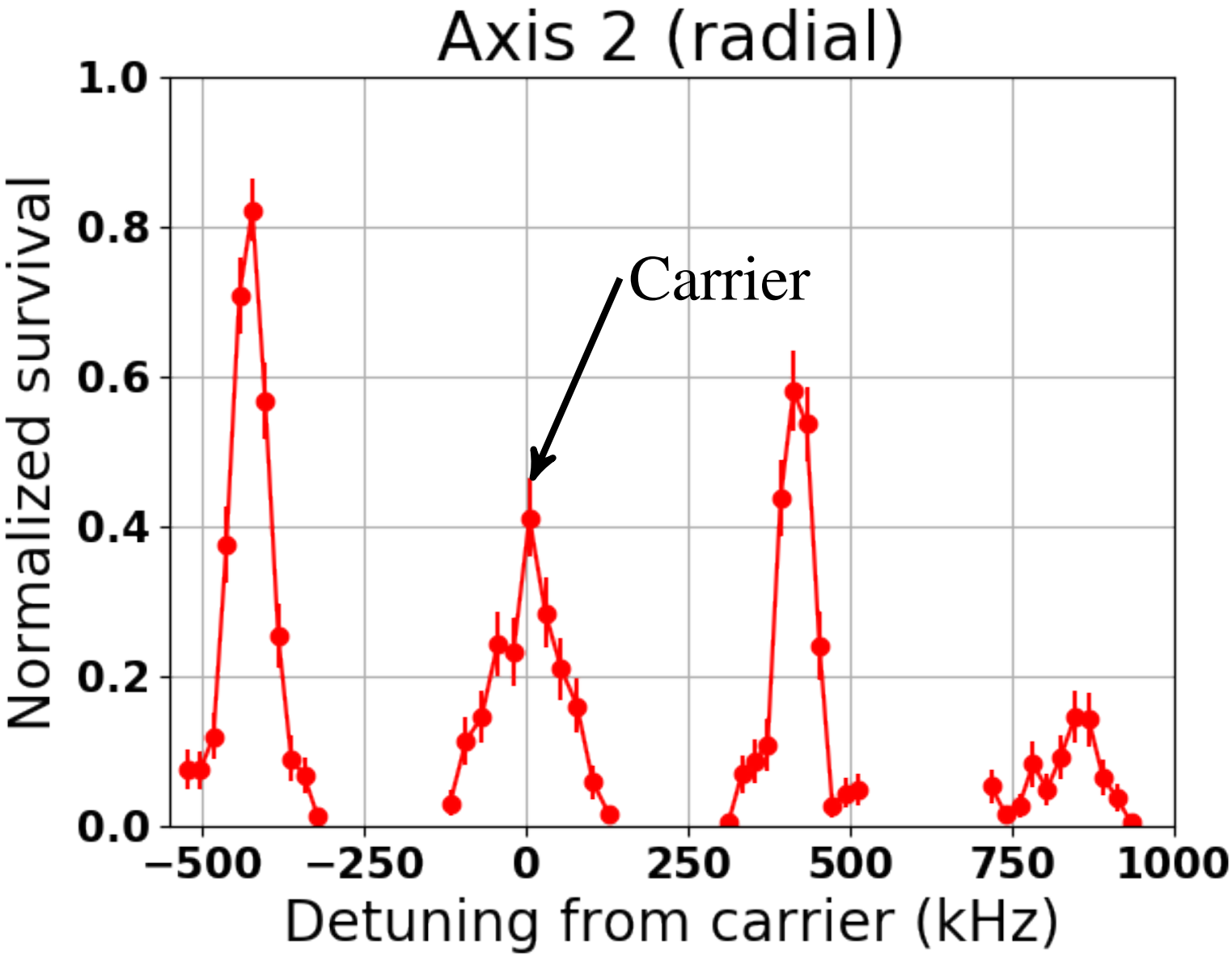

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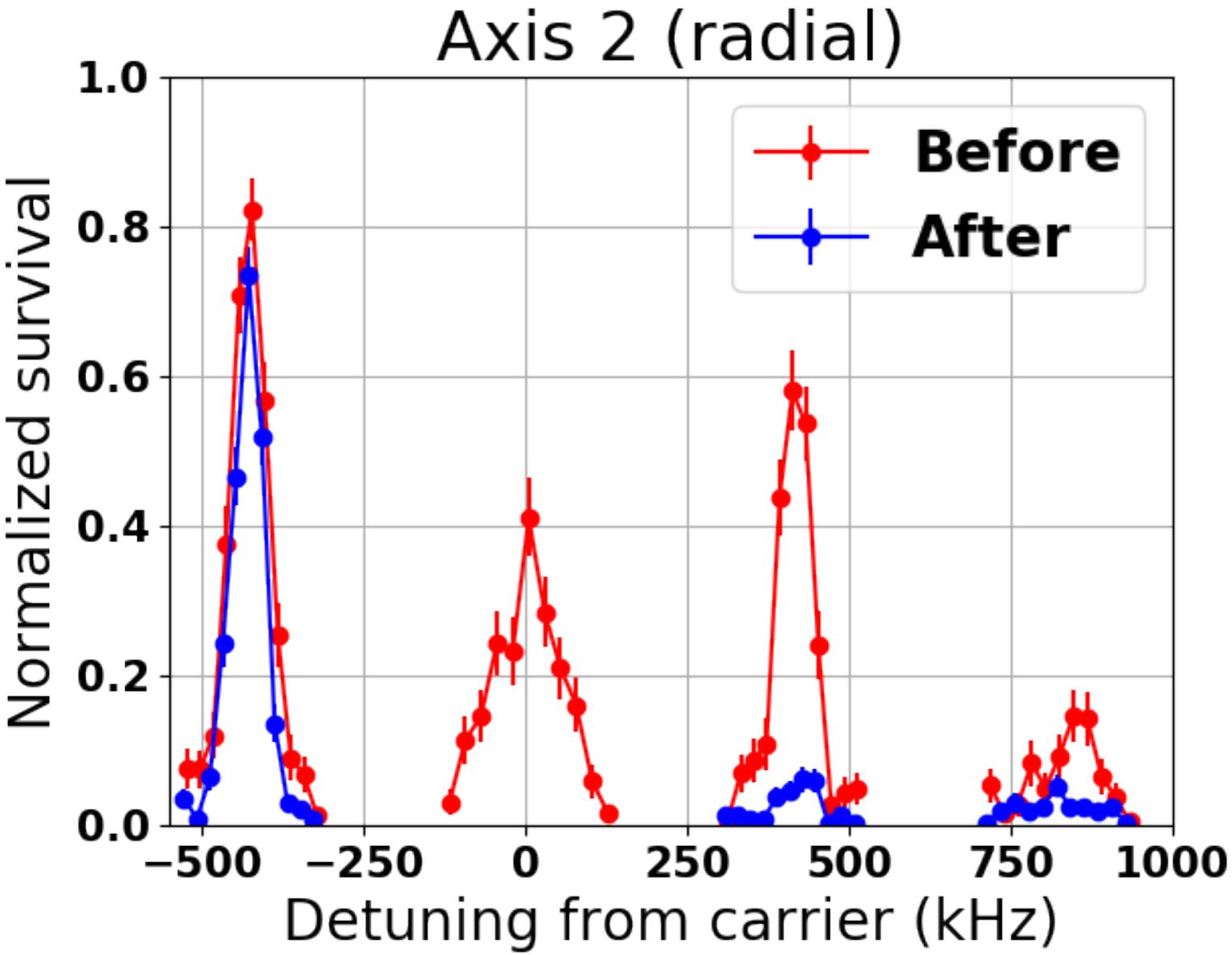

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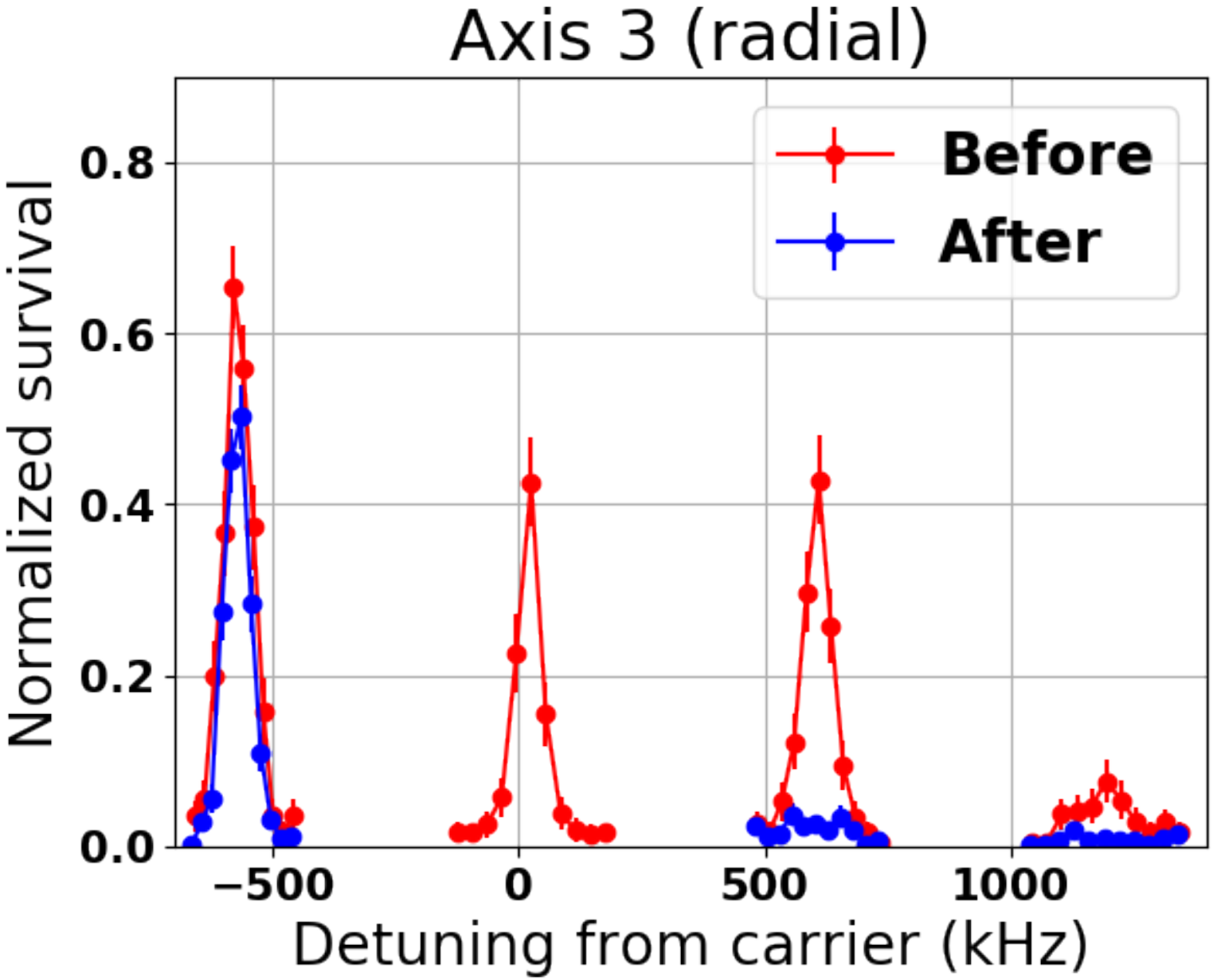

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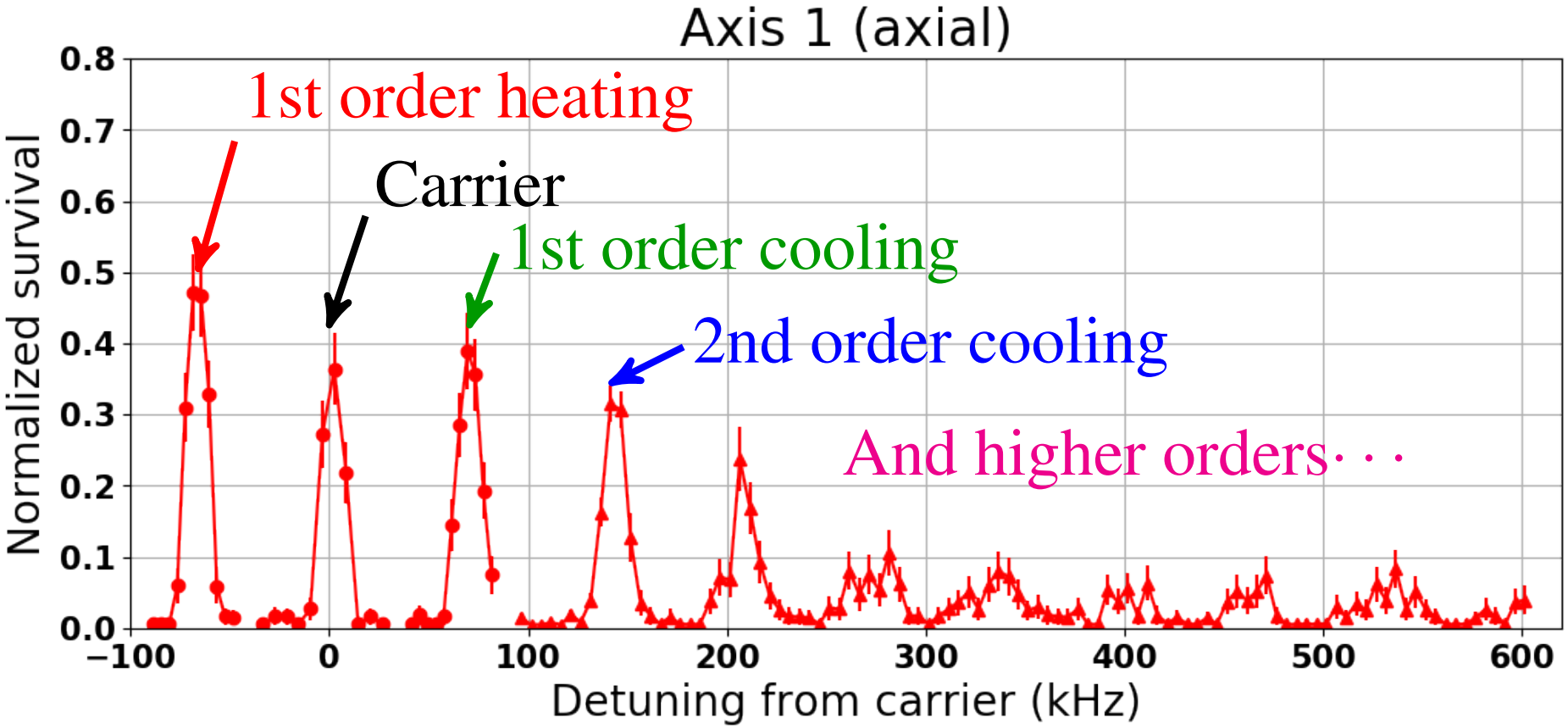

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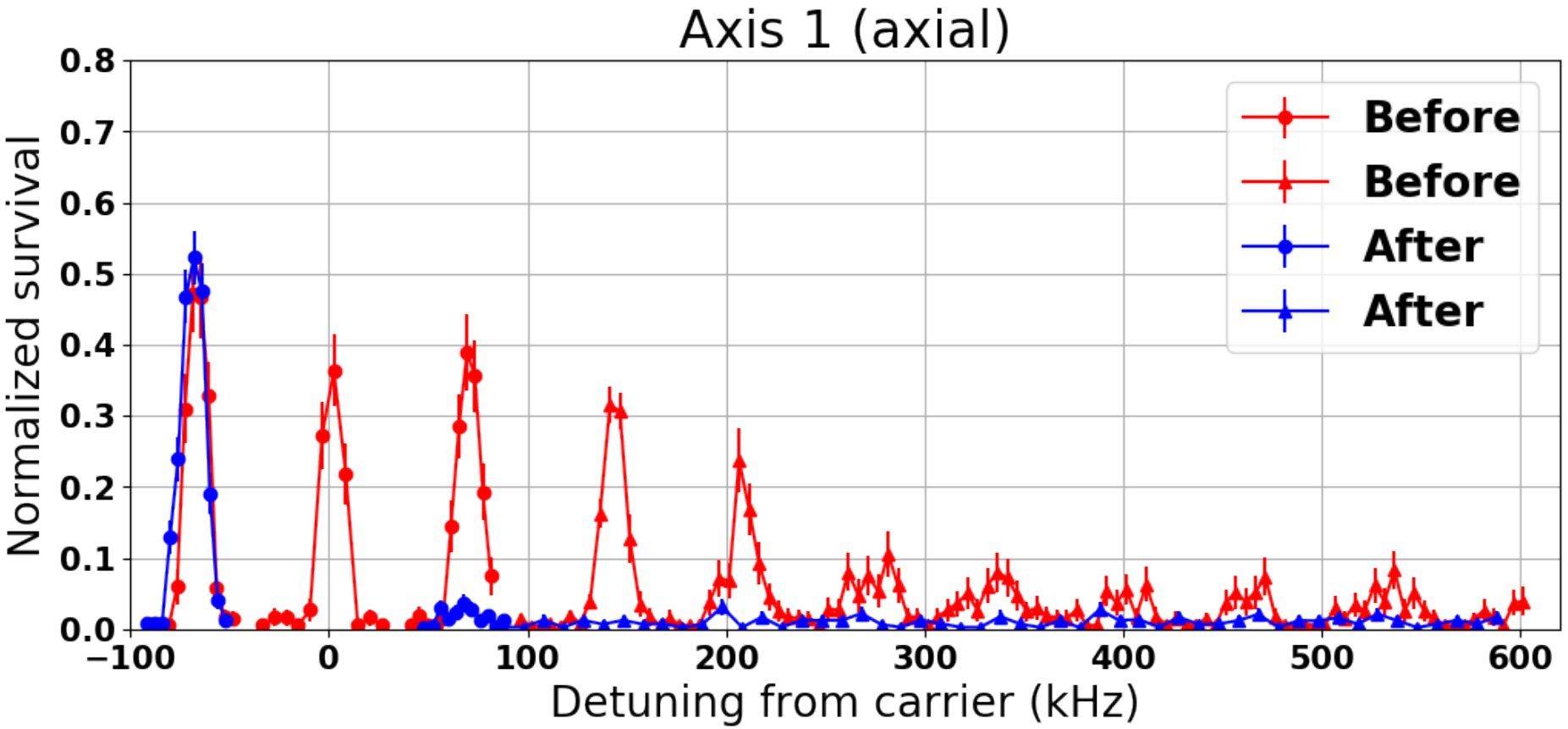

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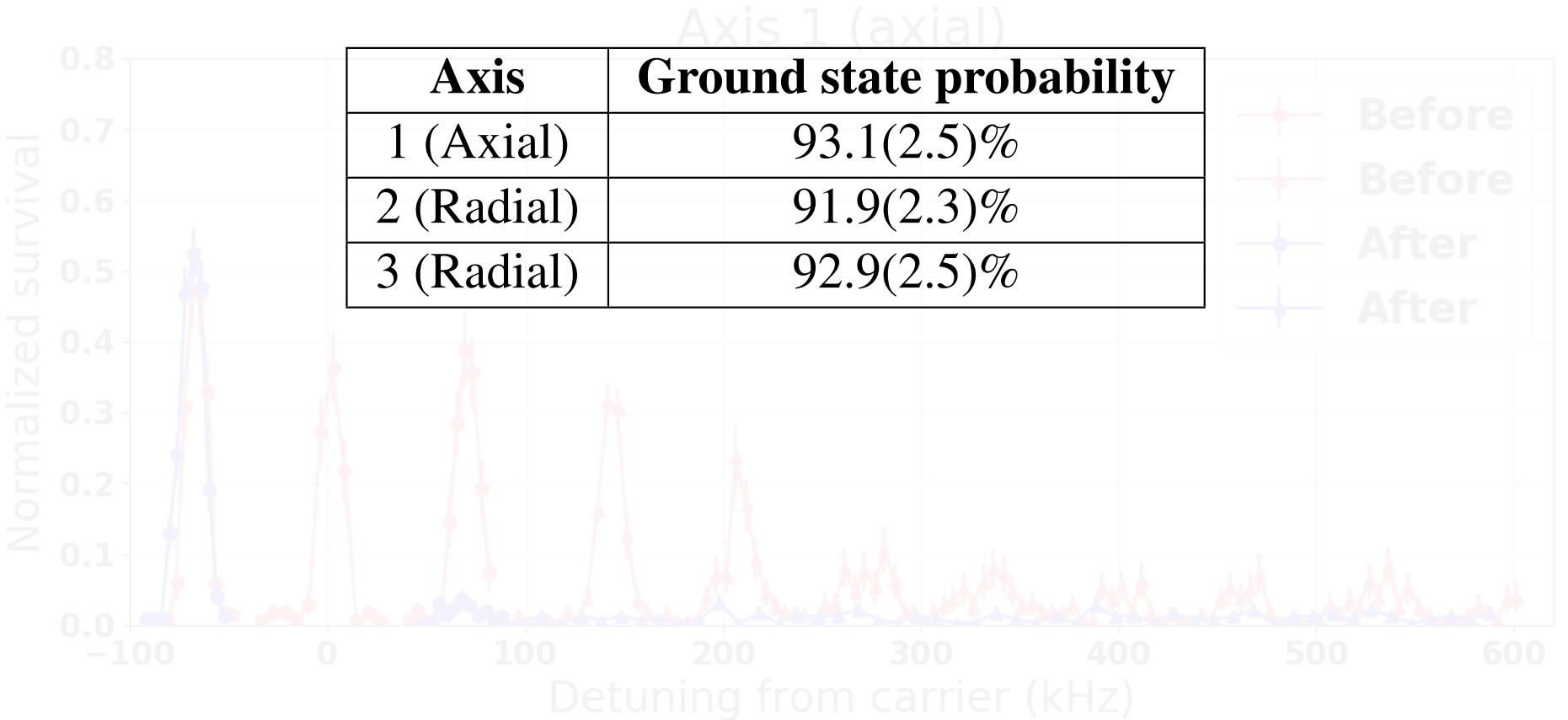

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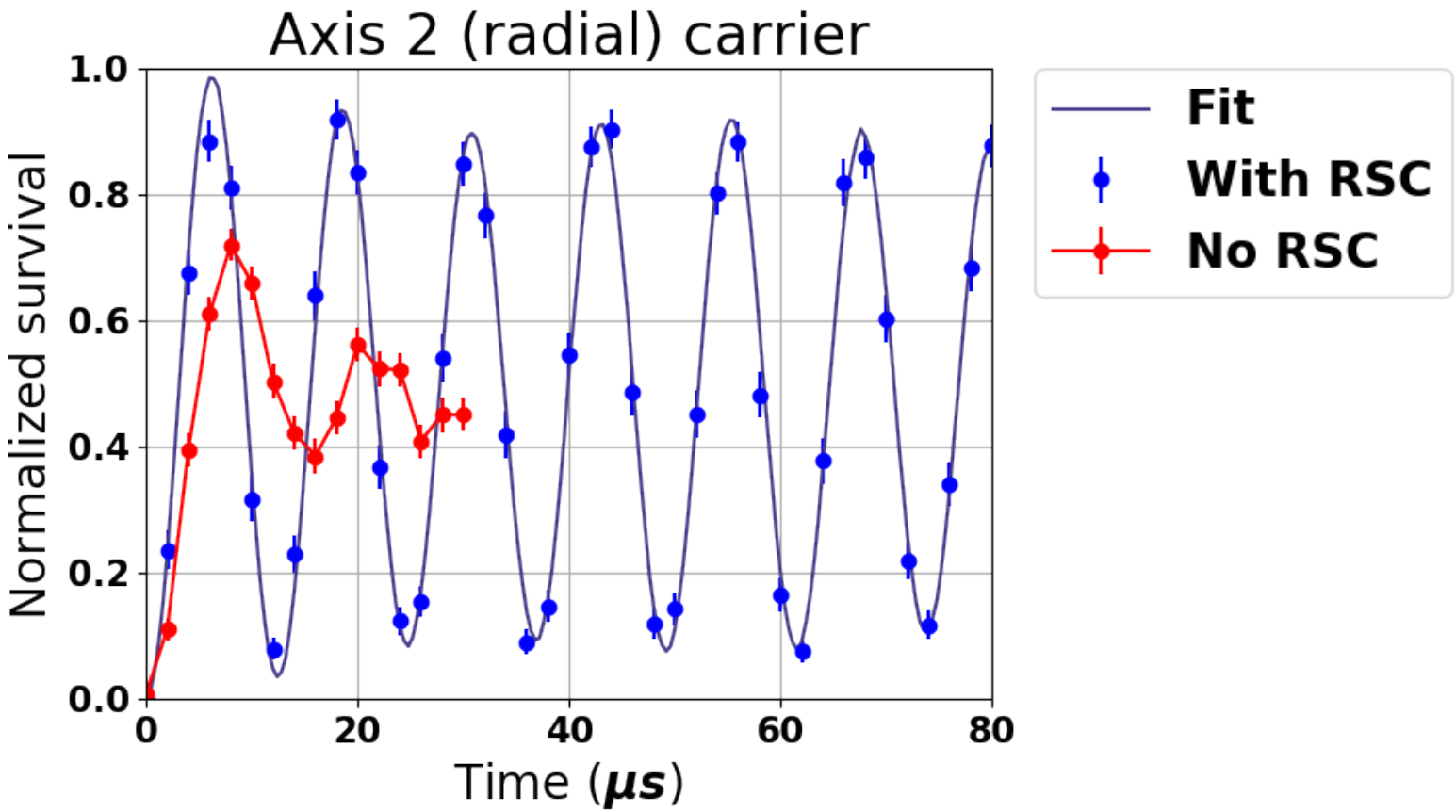

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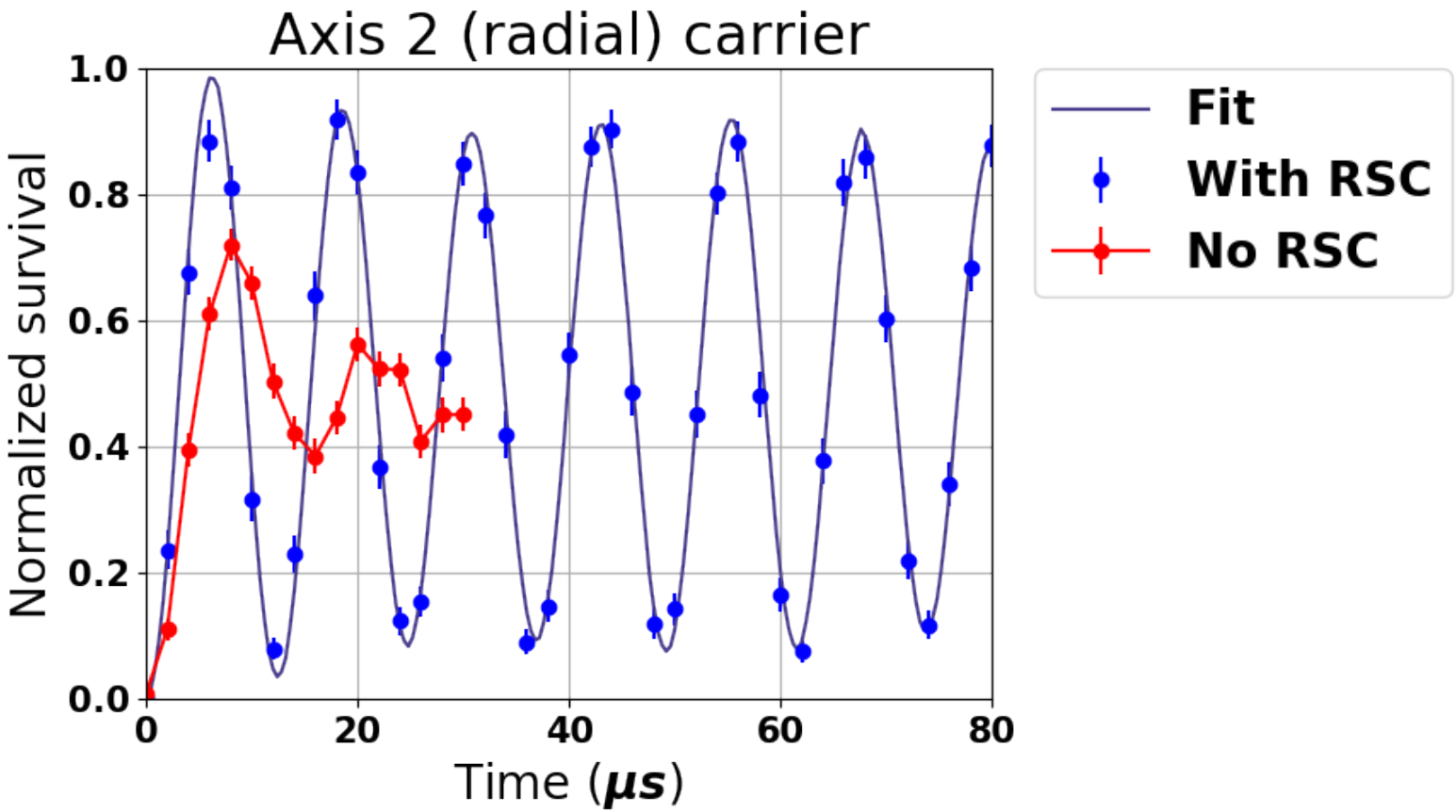

Good agreement in ground state probability between spectrum and Rabi flopping data.

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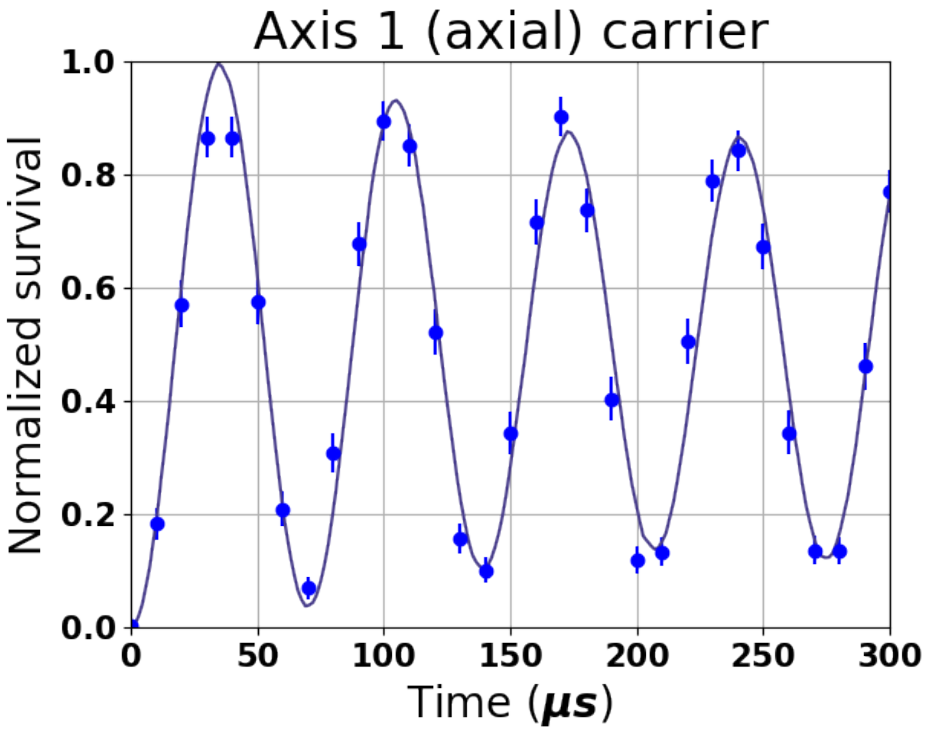
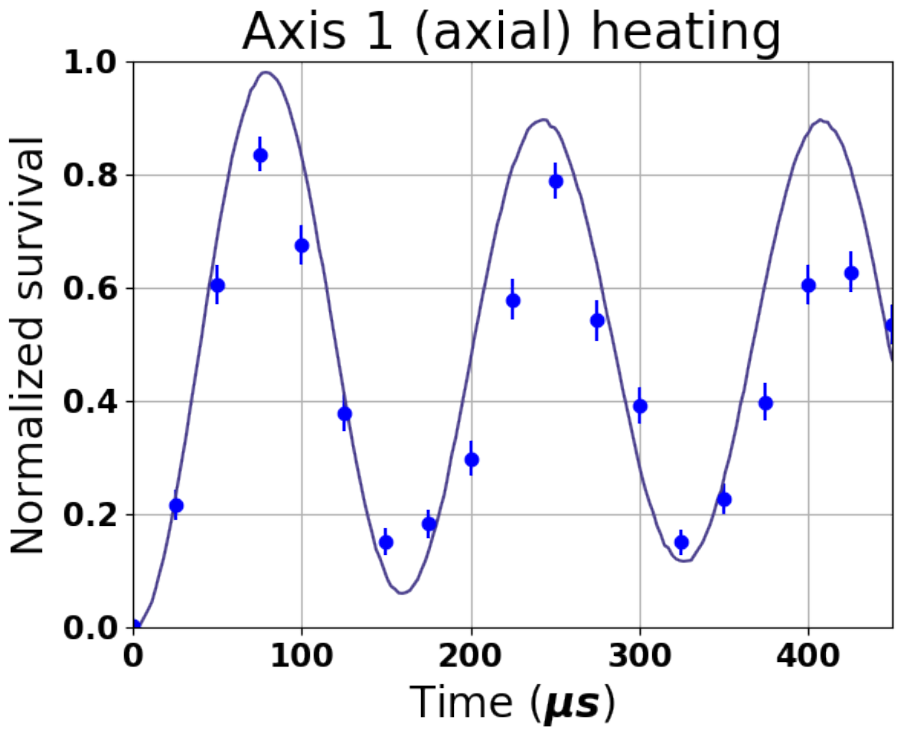




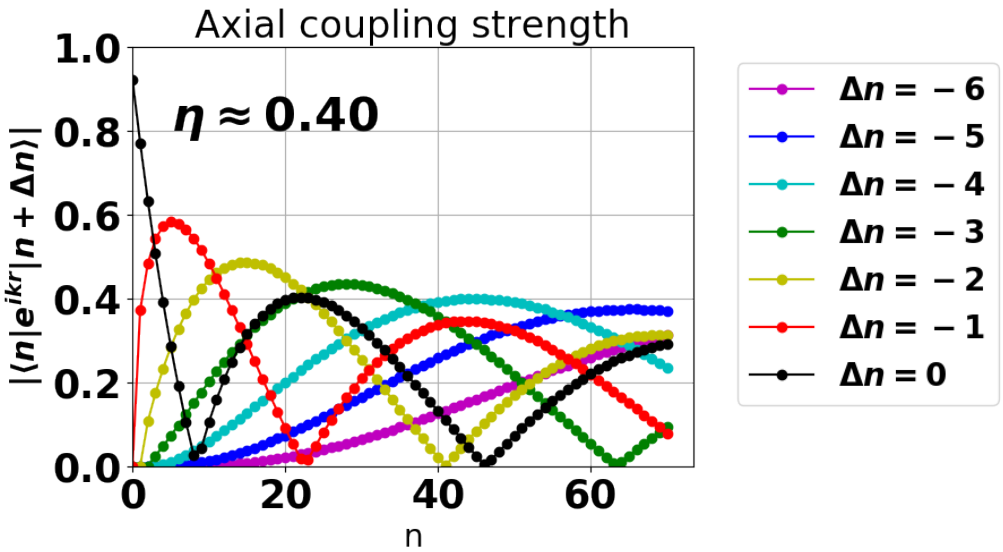
Conclusion

67.6(3.1)% ground state preparation fidelity (79.5(3.6)% without loss)

Improvements

- Reduce off-resonance scattering from Raman beams
- Reduce magnetic field fluctuation
- Reduce loss during cooling

Axial matrix element



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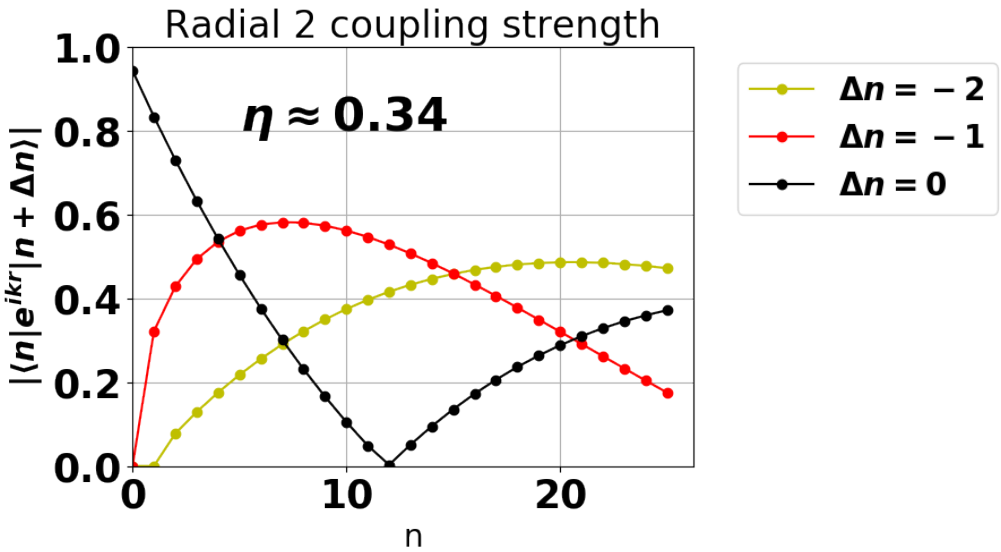
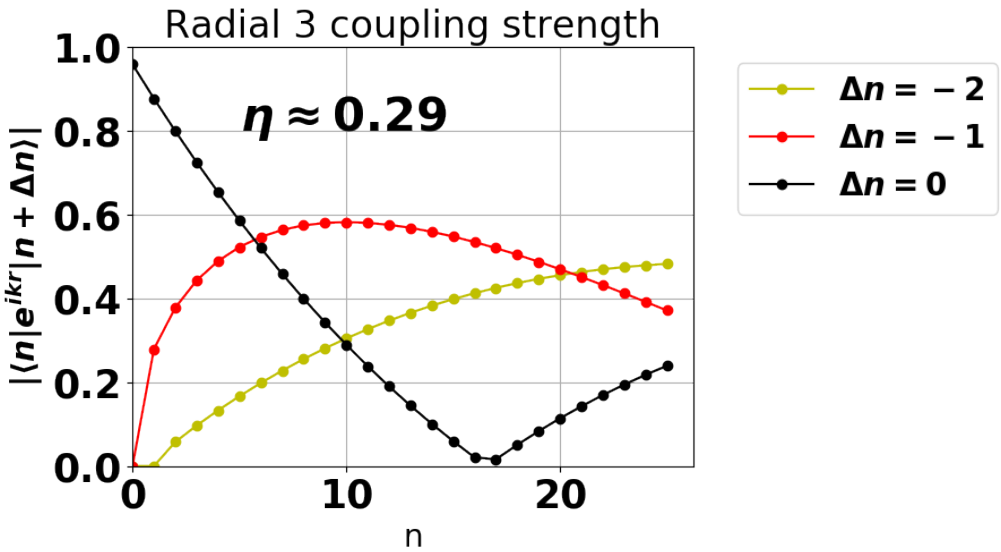
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