

Ultracold molecule assembly

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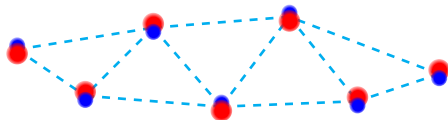
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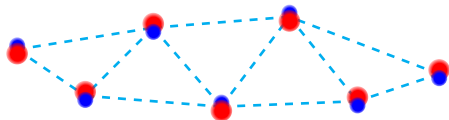
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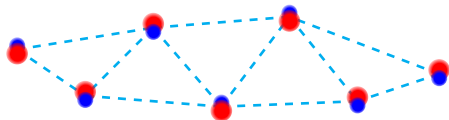
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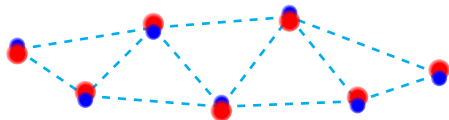
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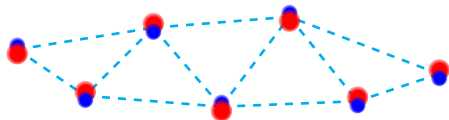
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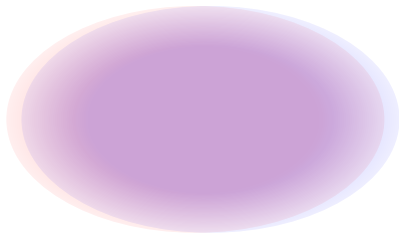
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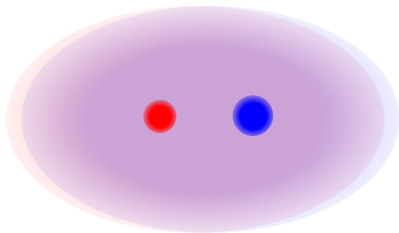
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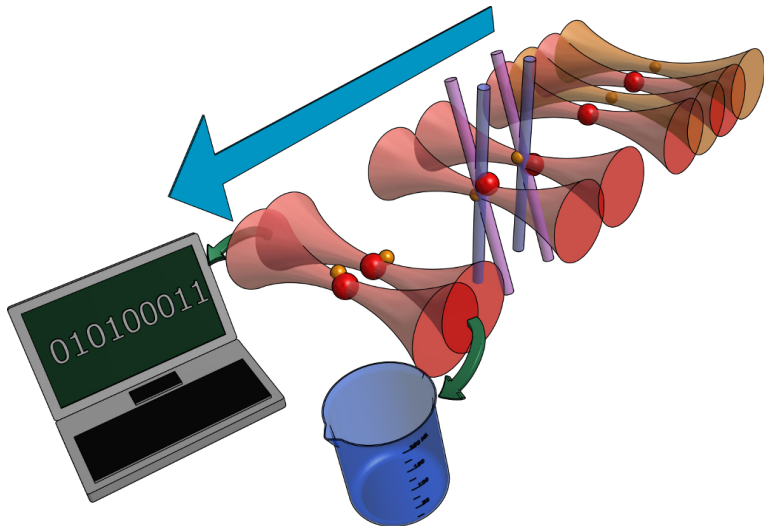


Atom loading and cooling

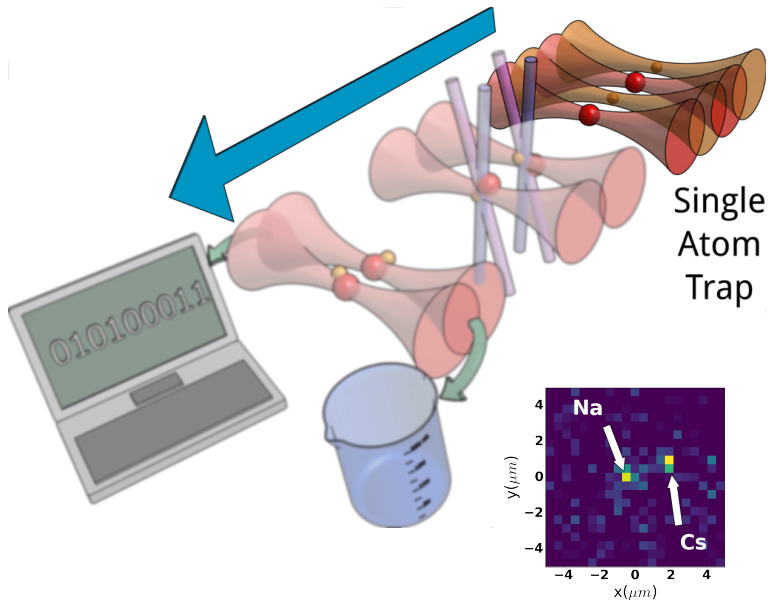
Cesium

Sodium

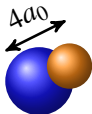
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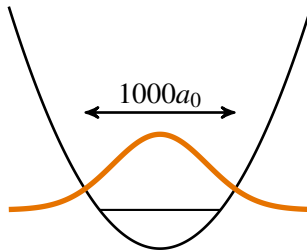
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Wave function size mismatch



Molecule



Atom

Goal of cooling

- Single initial state
- Shrink wavefunction size

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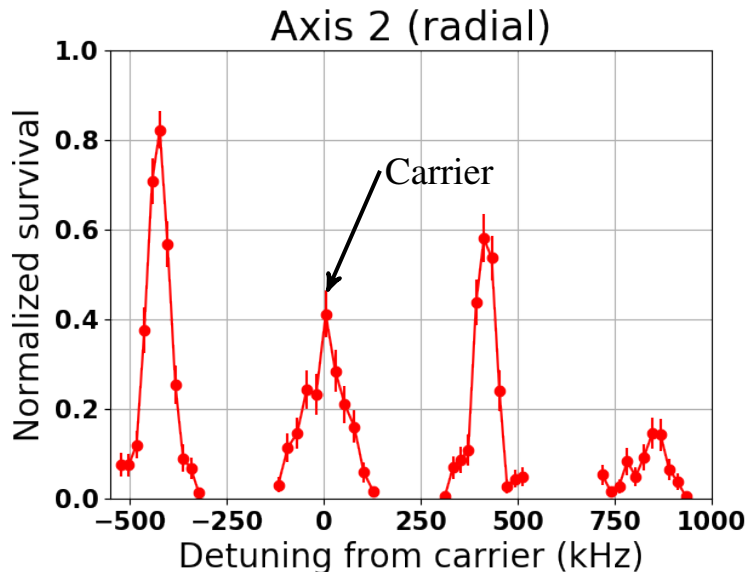
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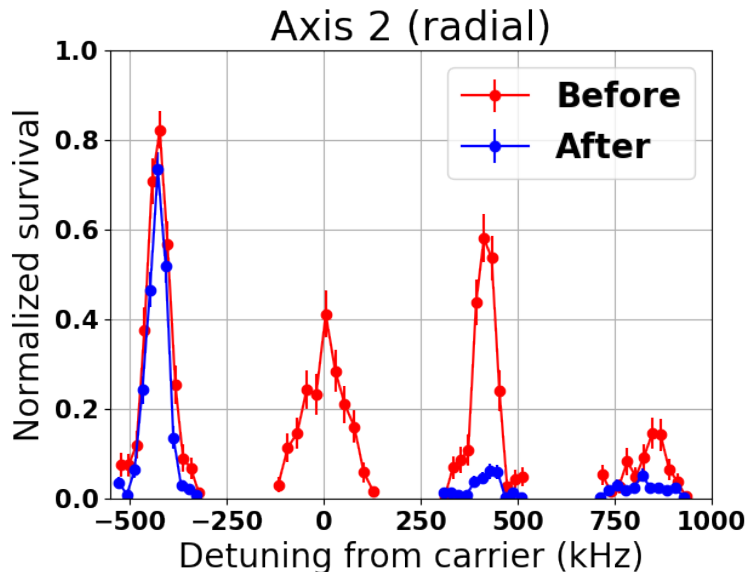
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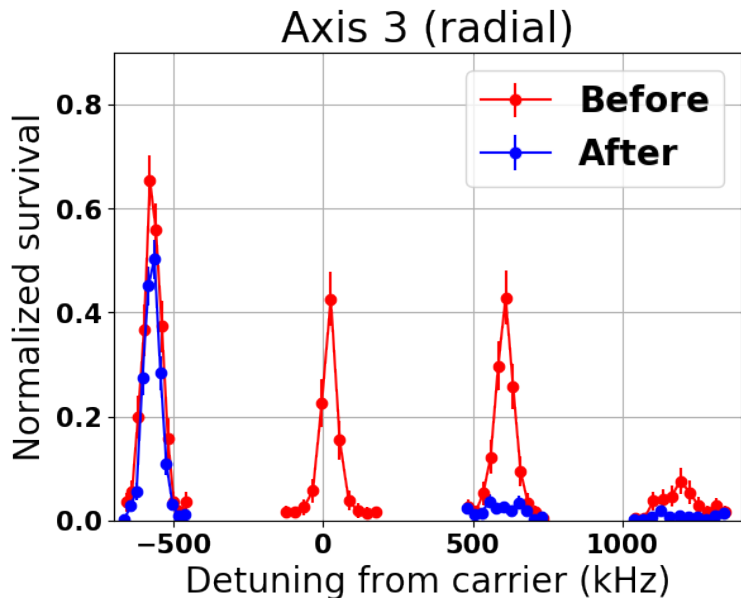
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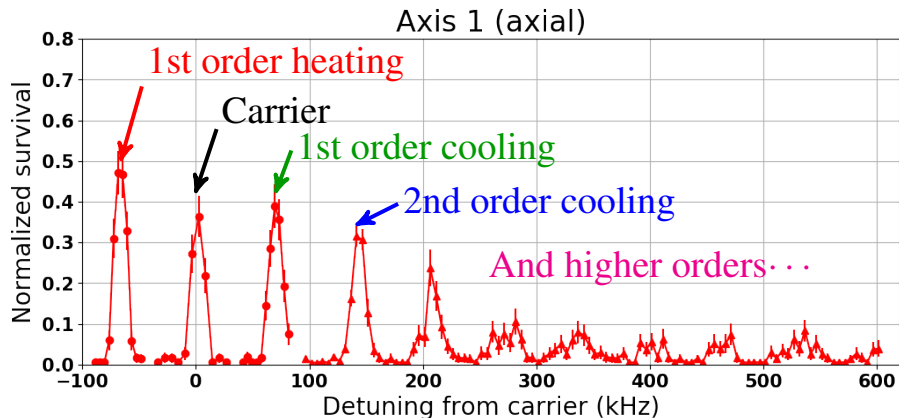
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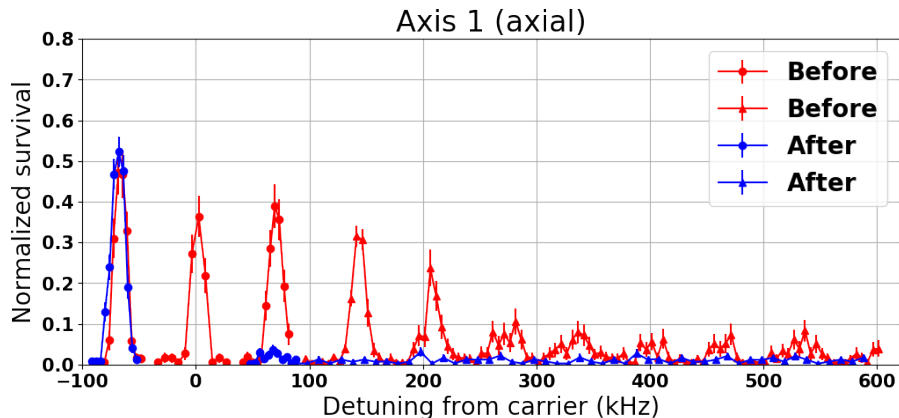




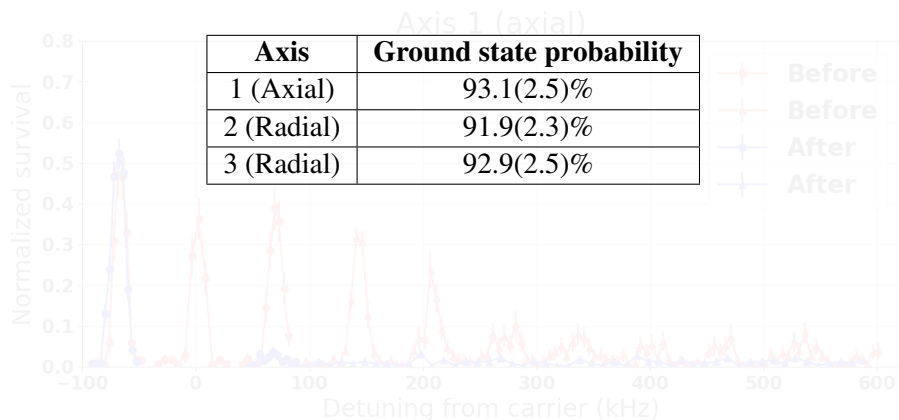
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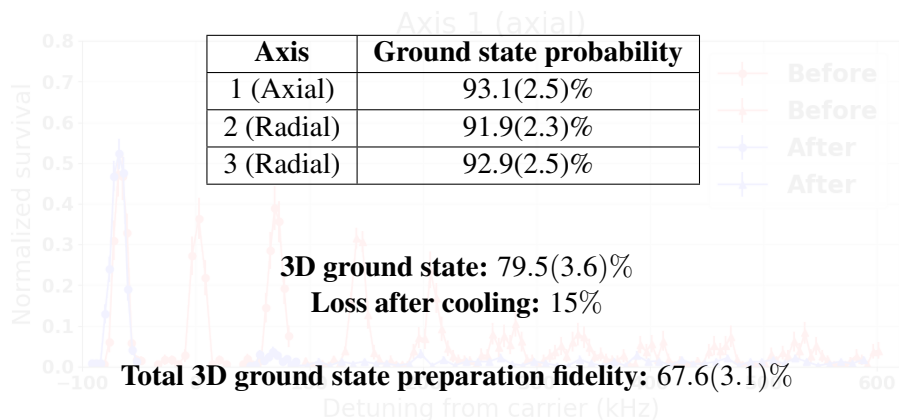
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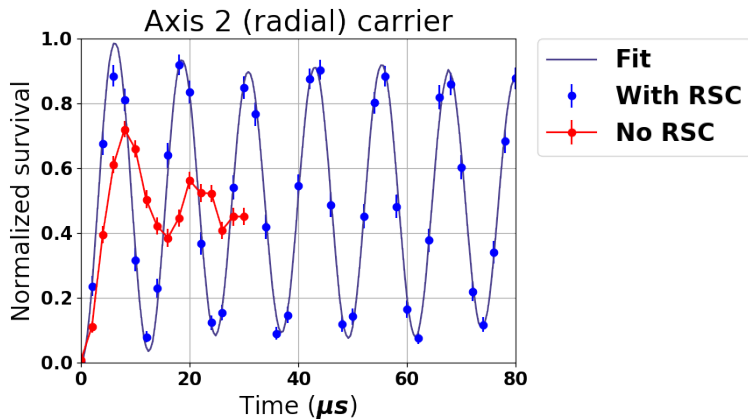
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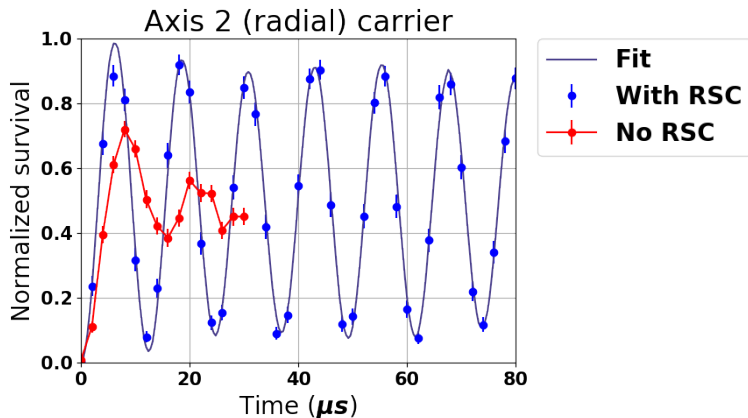
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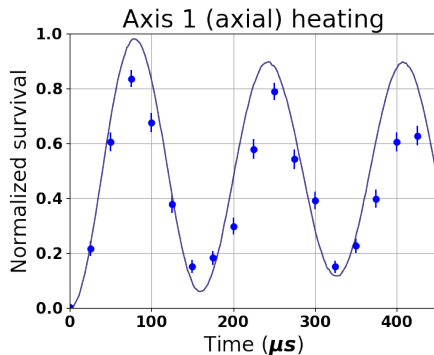
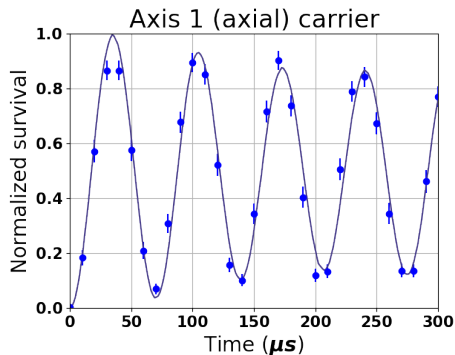


Rabi flopping (radial)



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

Rabi flopping (axial)



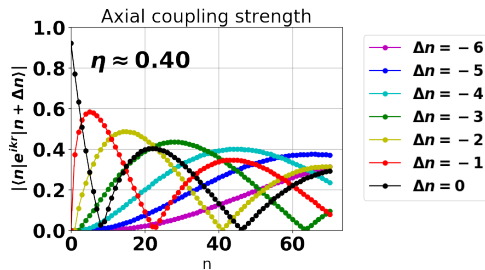
Conclusion

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

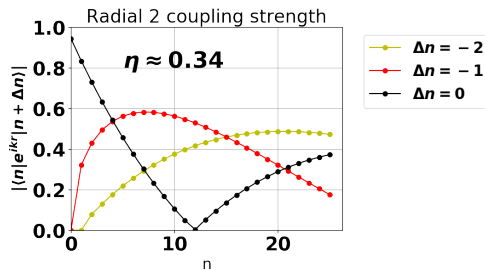
Improvements

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

Axial matrix element



Radial 2 matrix element



Radial 3 matrix element

