

EXPERIMENTAL PROGRESS TOWARDS A BIAS-PRESERVING CNOT GATE BETWEEN TWO KERR-CAT QUBITS



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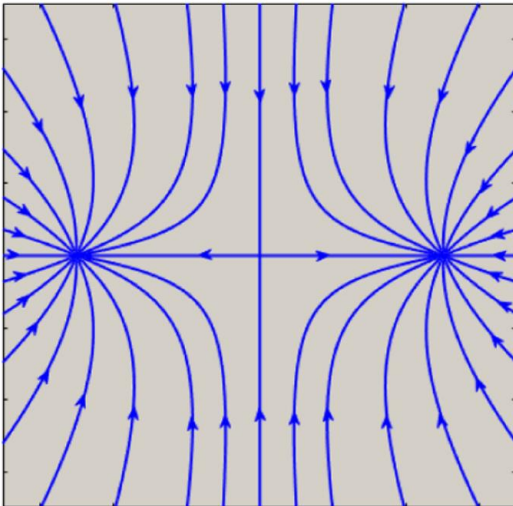
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CAT QUBITS

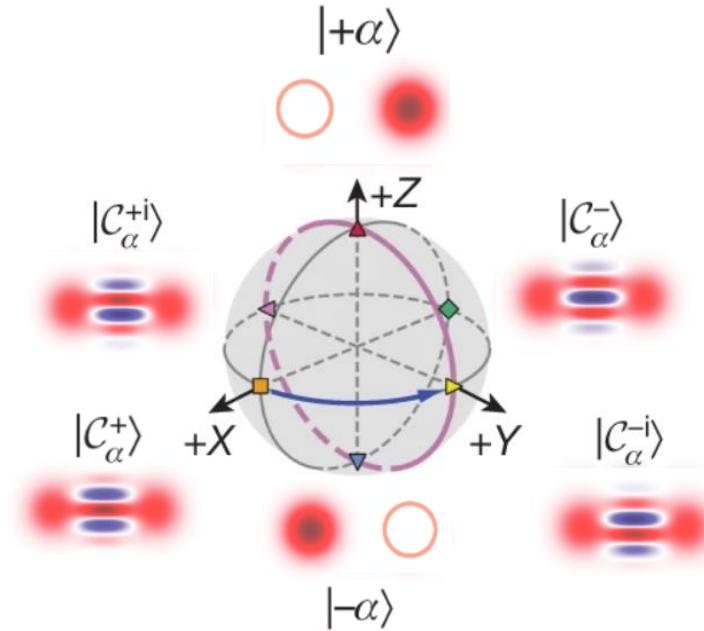
Dissipative cat qubits

Lindbladian confinement:

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} = \kappa_2 \mathcal{D}[\mathbf{a}^2 - \alpha^2] \rho$$



Mirrahimi, *et al.*, *New J. Phys.* (2014)
 Leghtas, *et al.*, *Science* (2015)
 Guillaud, *et al.*, *PRX* (2019)
 Marquet, *et al.*, *arXiv* (2023)



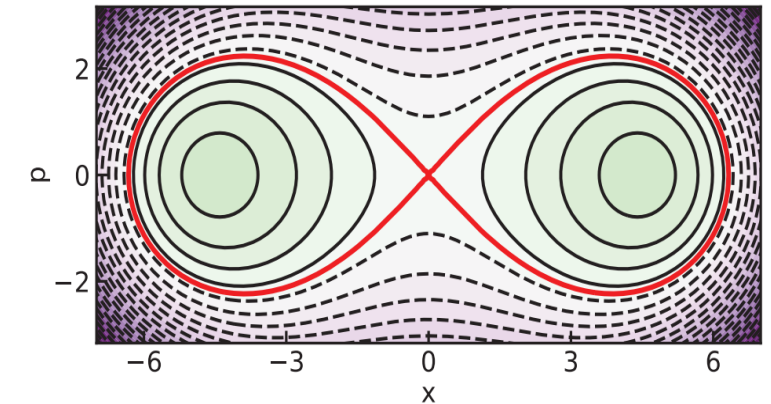
Bit-flip rate suppressed: $\sim e^{-2\bar{n}}$

Phase-flip rate: $2\bar{n}\kappa_1$

Kerr-cat qubits

Hamiltonian confinement:

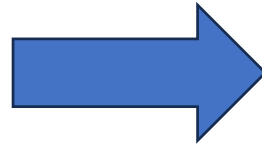
$$\mathbf{H}/\hbar = -K(\mathbf{a}^{\dagger 2} - \alpha^2)(\mathbf{a}^2 - \alpha^2)$$



Puri, *et al.*, *npj Quantum Inf.* (2017)
 Grimm, Frattini, *et al.*, *Nature* (2020)
 Frattini, Cortiñas, *et al.*, *arXiv* (2022)
 Iyama, Kamiya, Fujii, *et al.*, *Nat. Comm.* (2024)

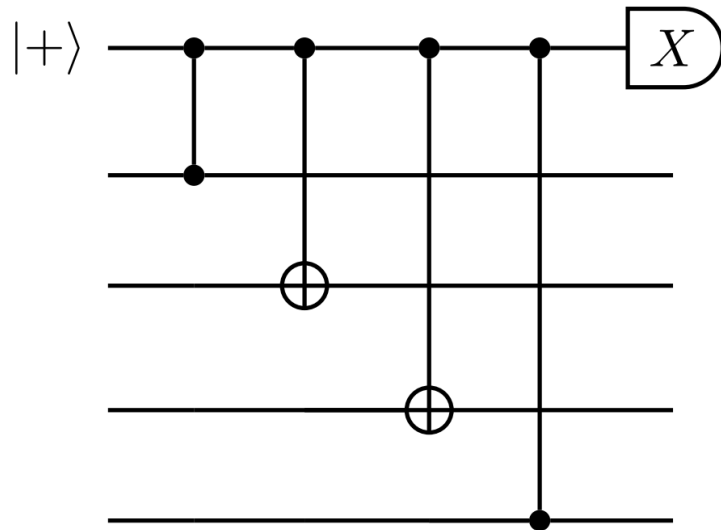
MOTIVATION

Intrinsic suppression of bit-flips



Increased surface code thresholds

XZZX for Kerr-cat qubit ($\bar{n} = 6.25$)



Darmawan, *et al.*, *PRX Quantum* (2021)

Non-bias-preserving CNOT
(CZ + single qubit rot.)
 $p_{\text{th}} \sim 3.9\%$

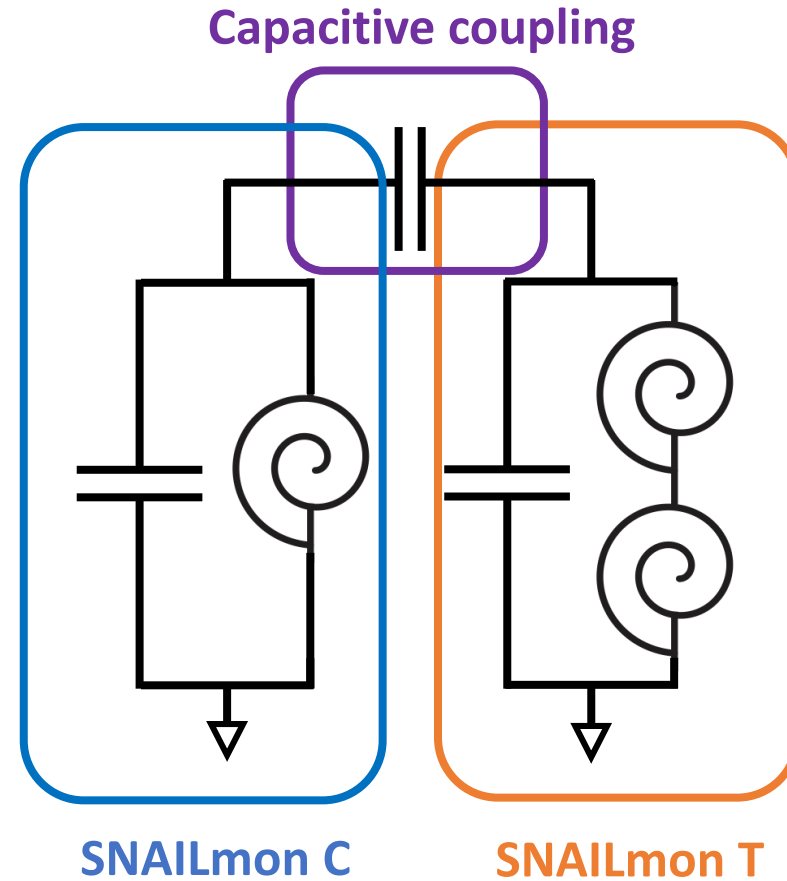
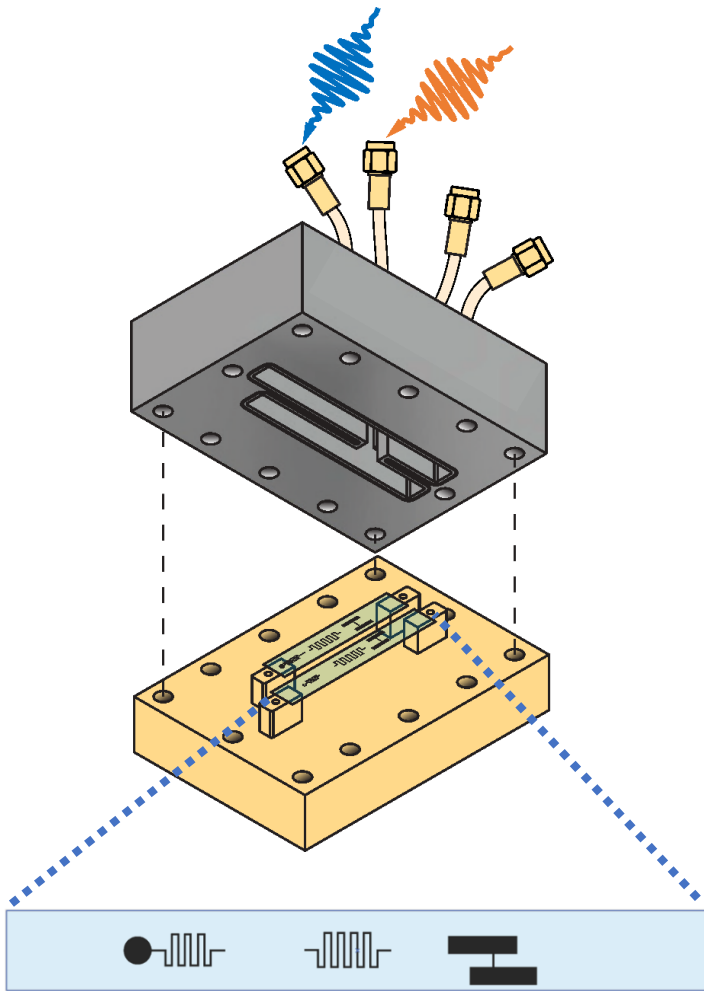
Bias-preserving CNOT
 $p_{\text{th}} \sim 6.5\%$



67% increase!

Tuckett, *et al.*, *PRL* (2022)
Bonilla Ataides, *et al.*, *Nat. Comm.* (2020)
Guillaud, *et al.*, *PRX* (2019)

SETUP



Operating point

$$K_c/2\pi \approx 1.1 \text{ MHz}$$

$$T_X^c \approx 25 \mu\text{s}$$

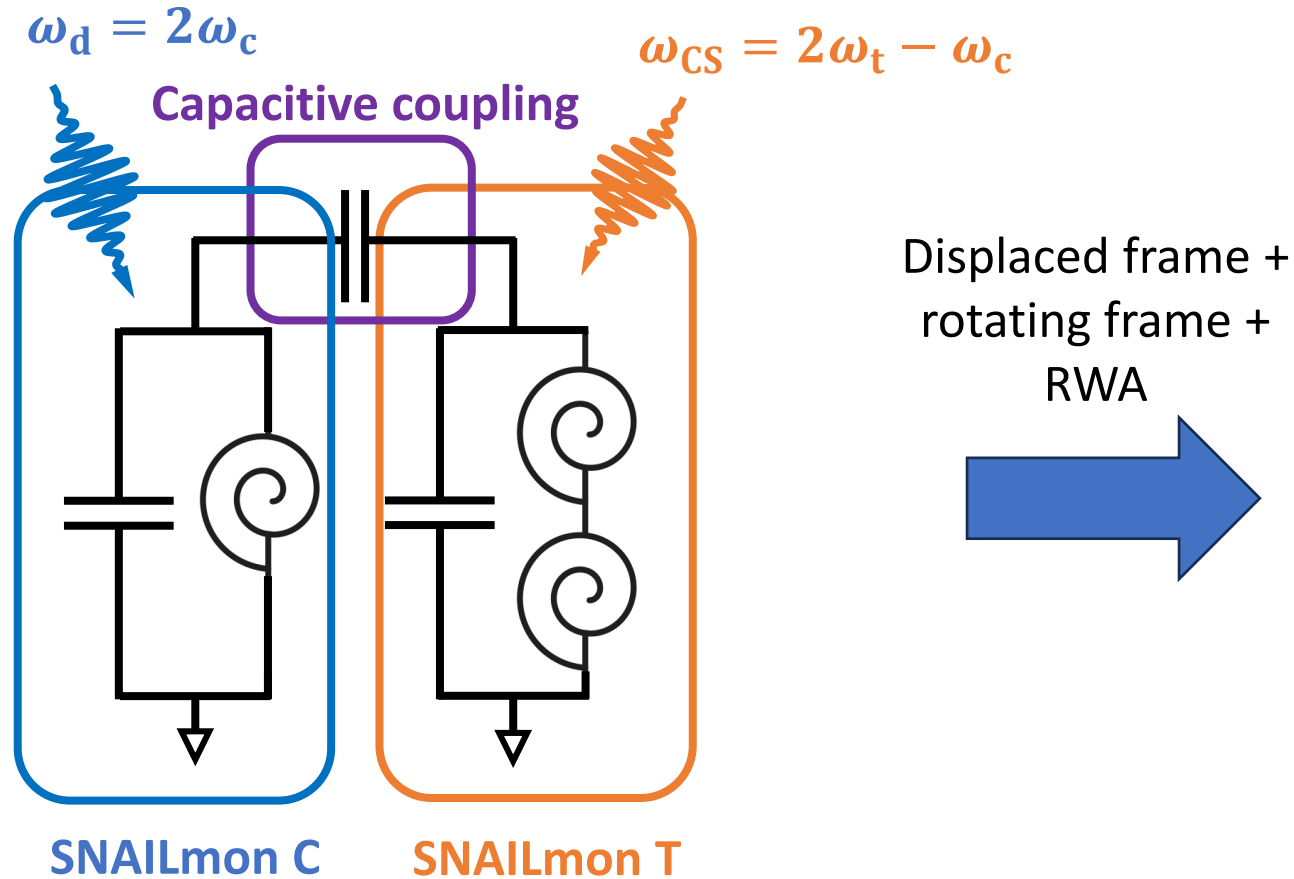
$$T_1^{\text{SNAIL}} \approx 20 \mu\text{s}$$

$$K_t/2\pi \approx 300 \text{ kHz}$$

$$T_X^t \approx 30 \mu\text{s}$$

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MAIN INGREDIENT: CONTROLLED-SQUEEZING



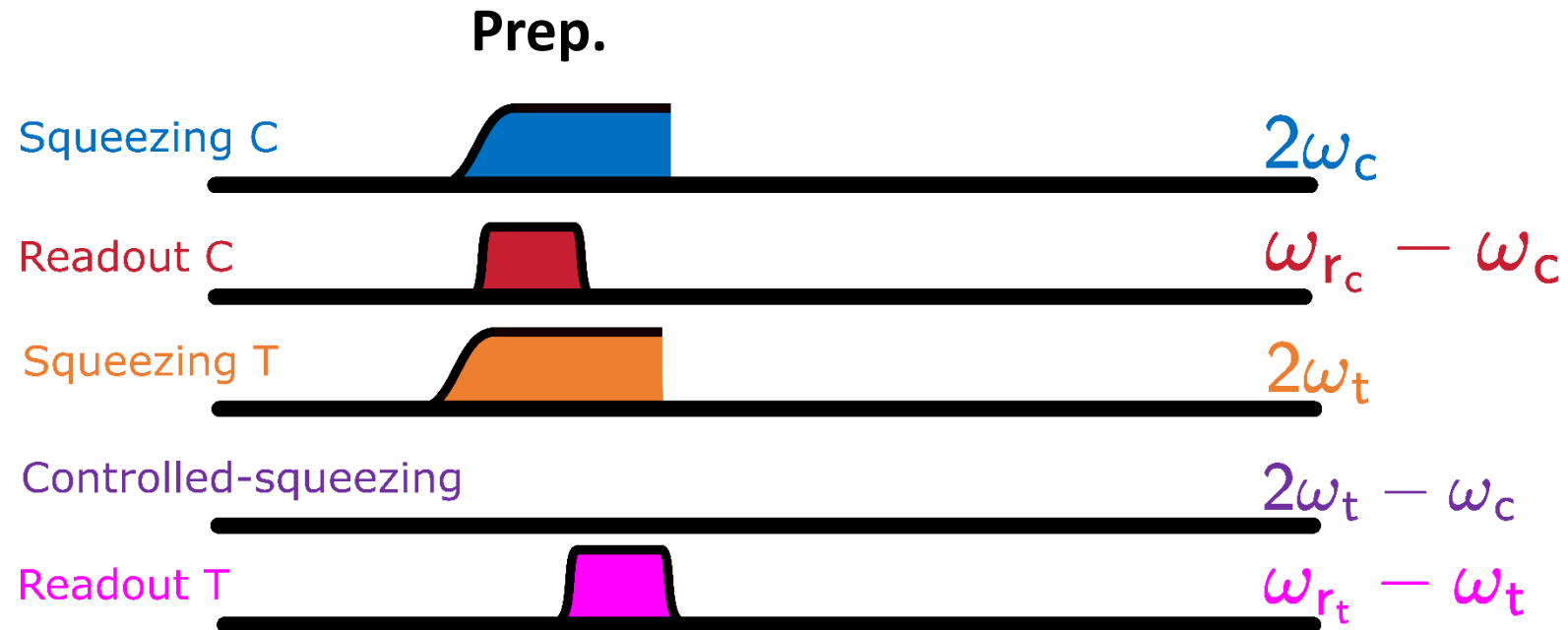
$$H_{CS} = -K_c a_c^{\dagger 2} a_c^2 + \epsilon_2^a (a_c^{\dagger 2} + a_c^2)$$

$$-K_t a_t^{\dagger 2} a_t^2 + g_{\text{int}} (a_t^{\dagger 2} a_c + a_t^2 a_c^{\dagger})$$

Controlled-squeezing

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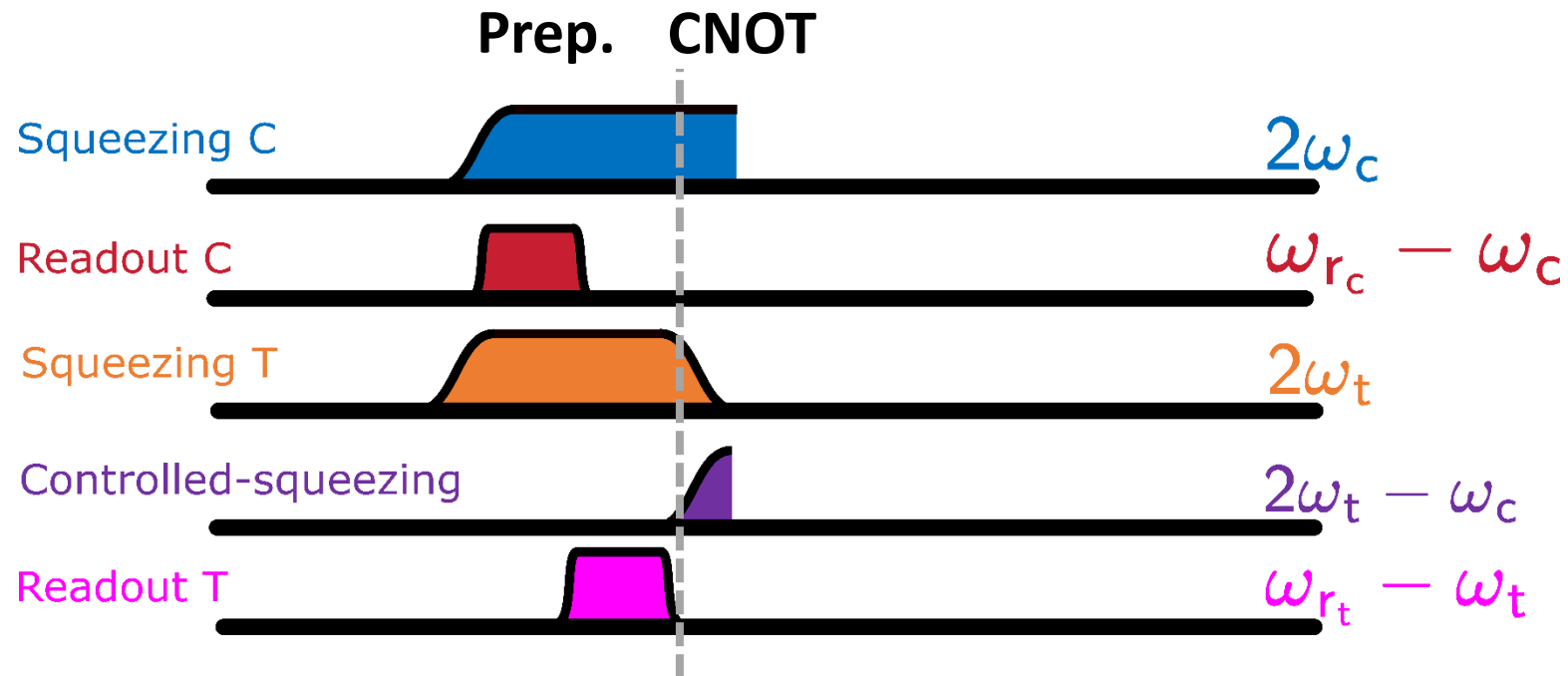


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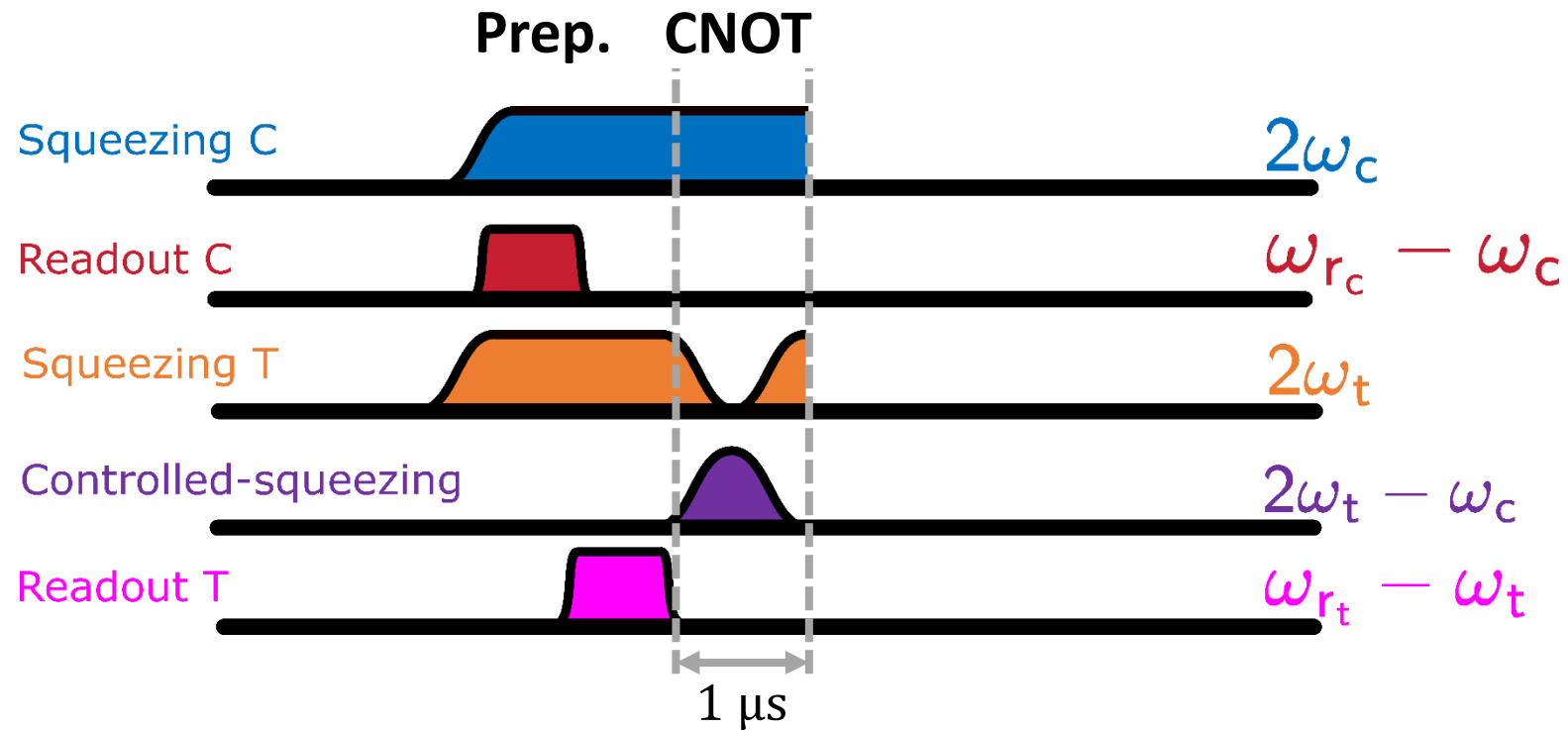
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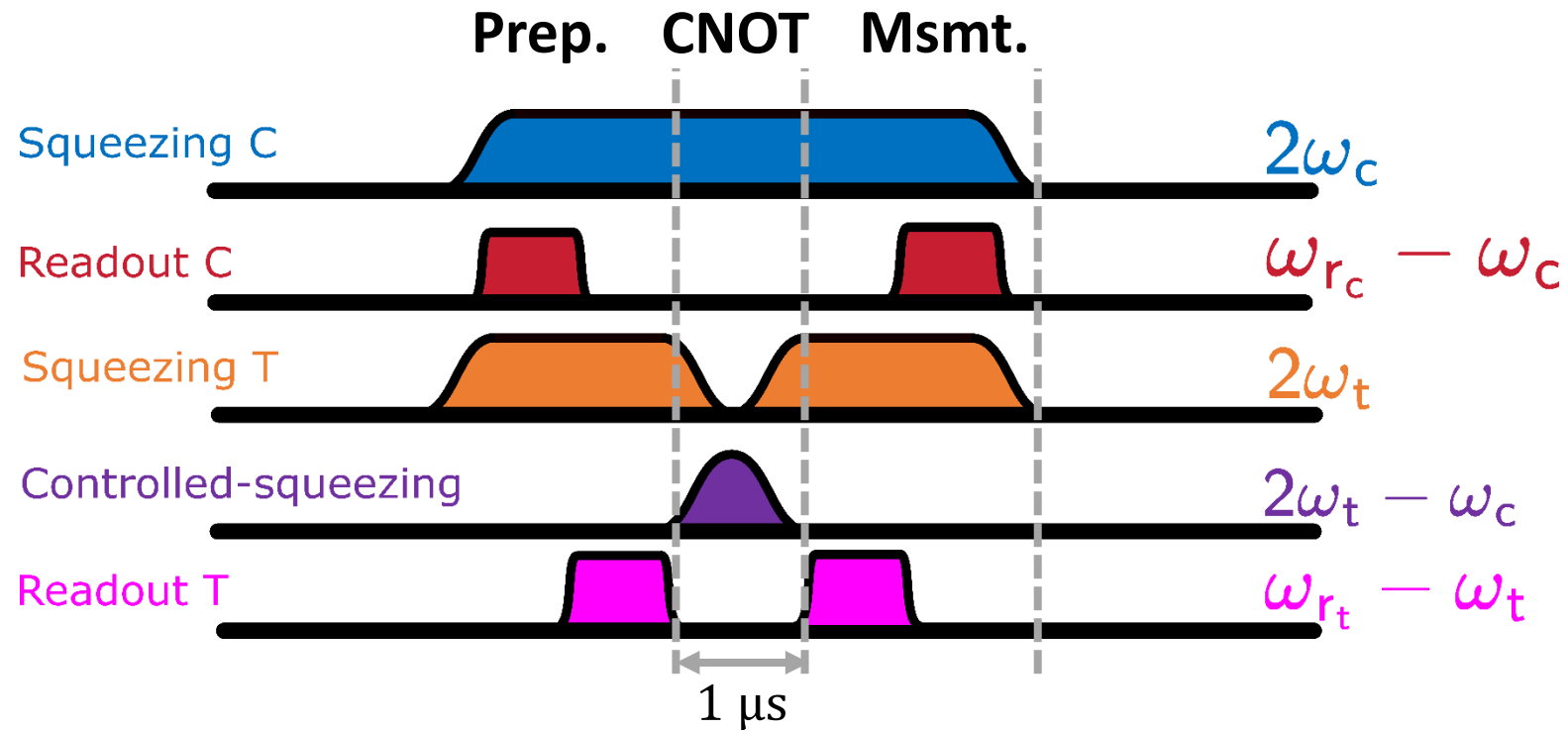
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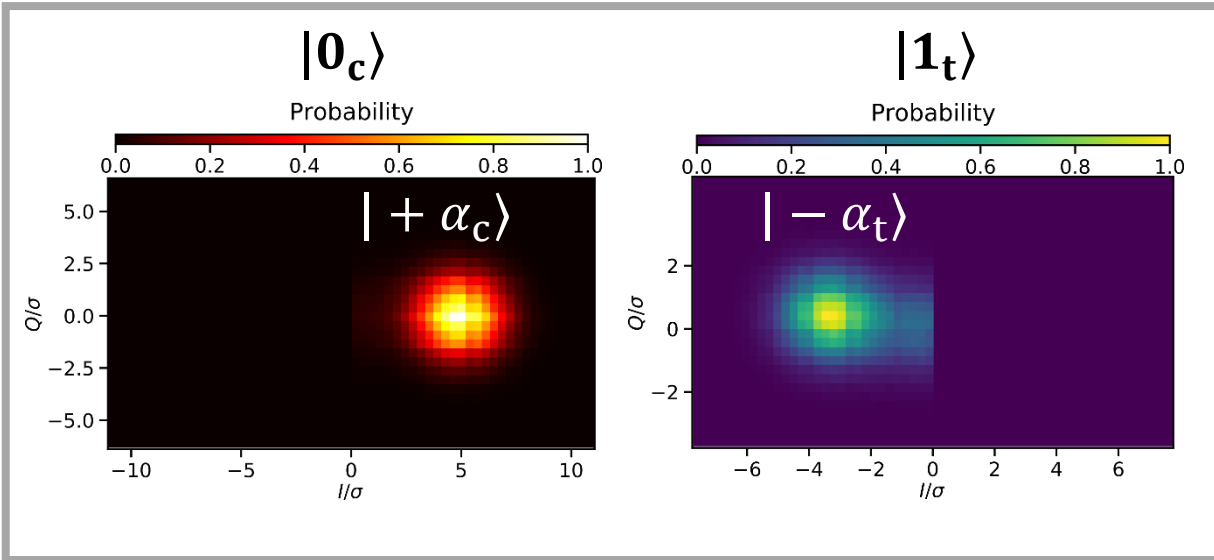


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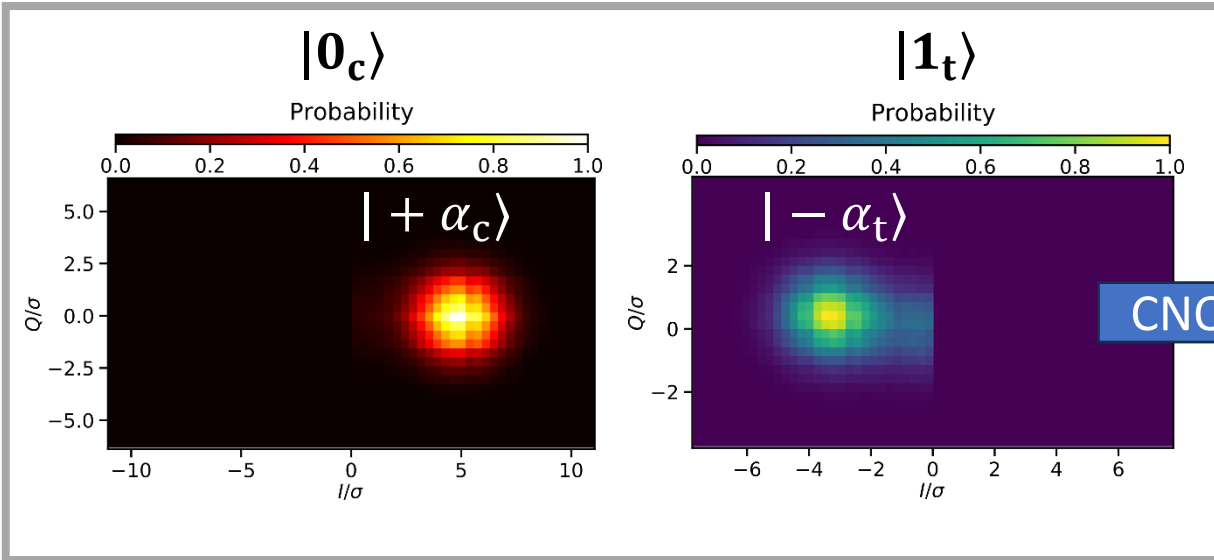
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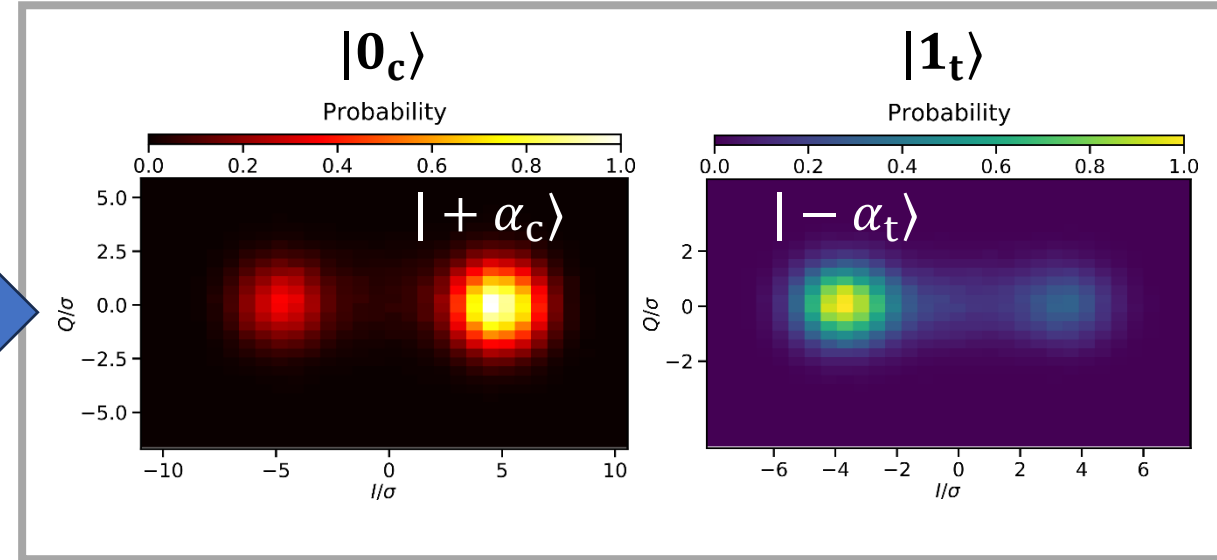
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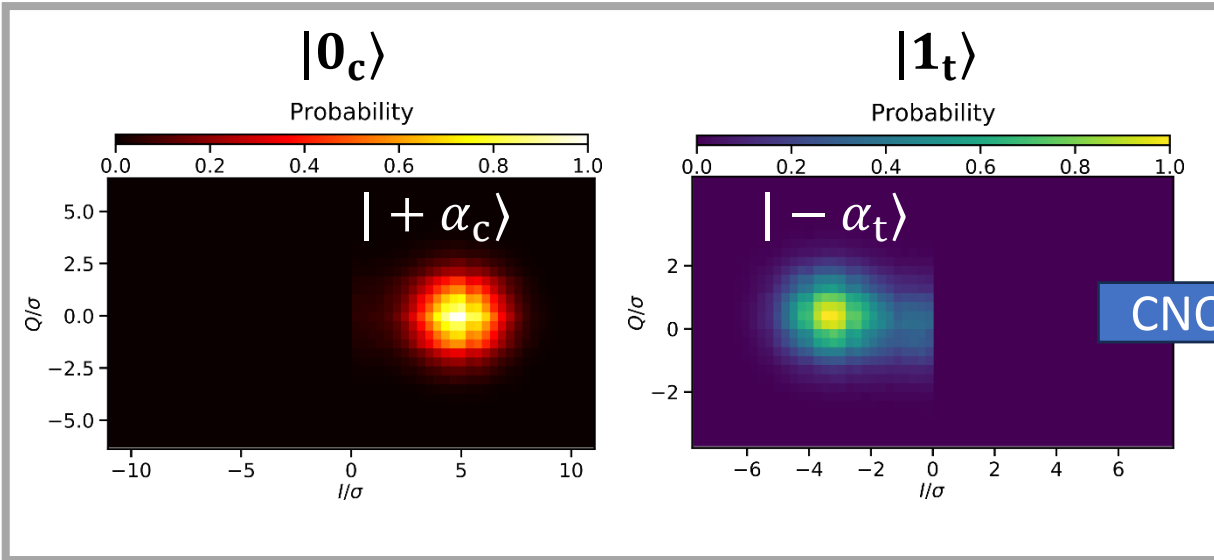
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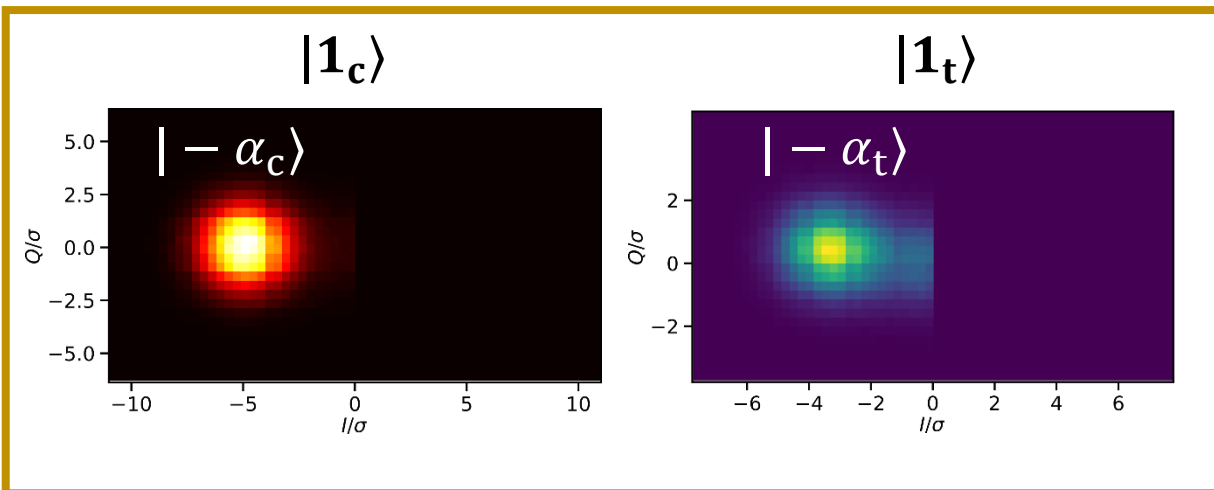
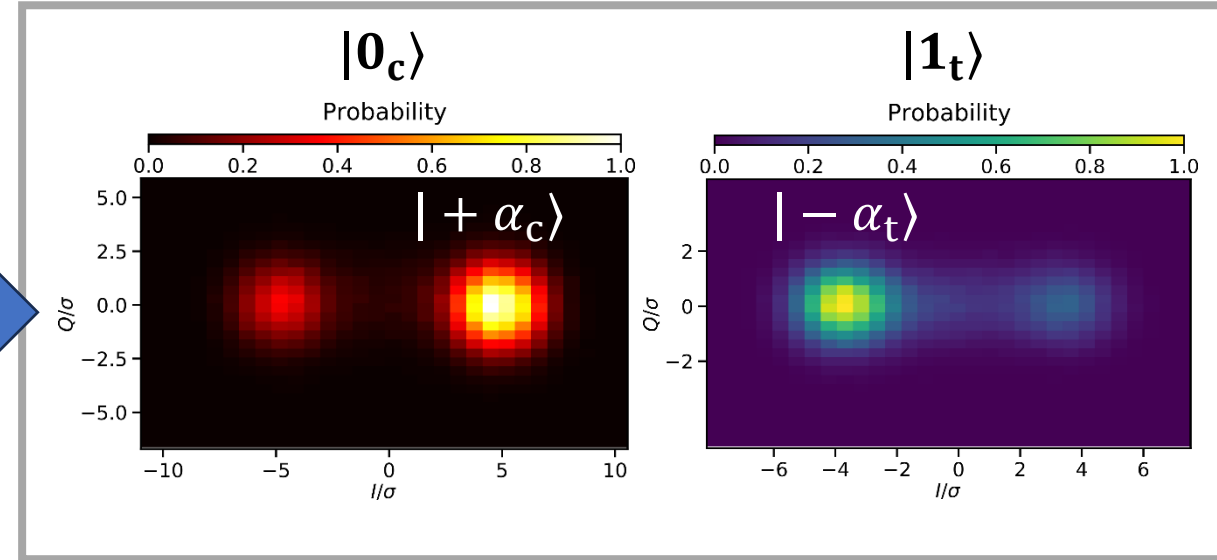
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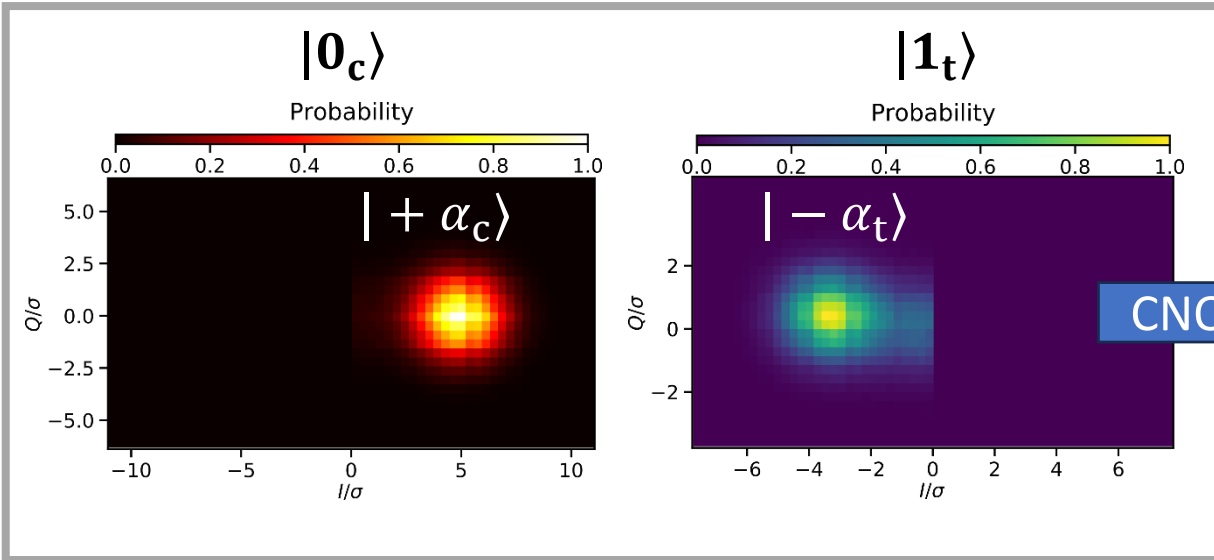
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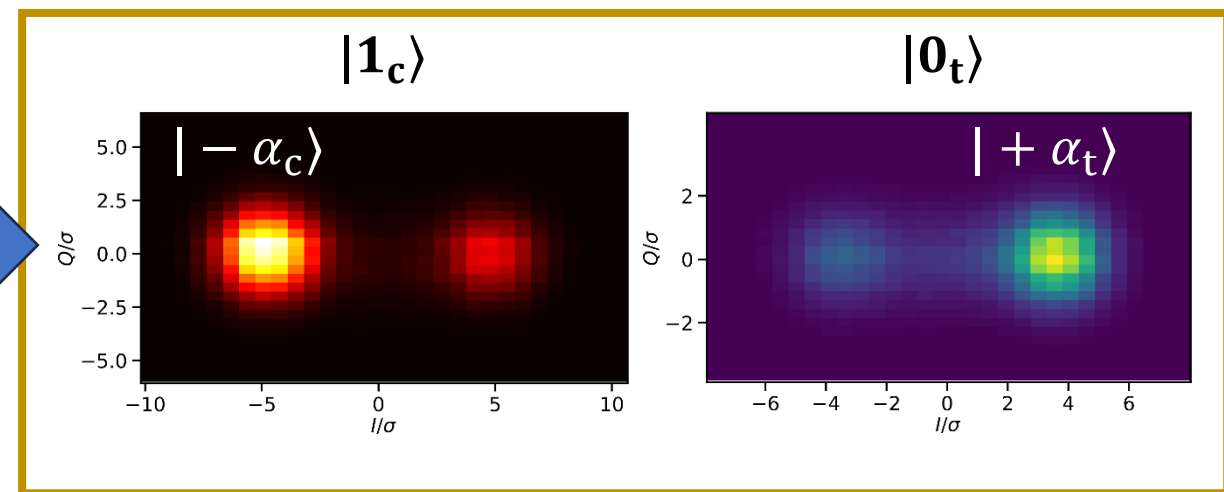
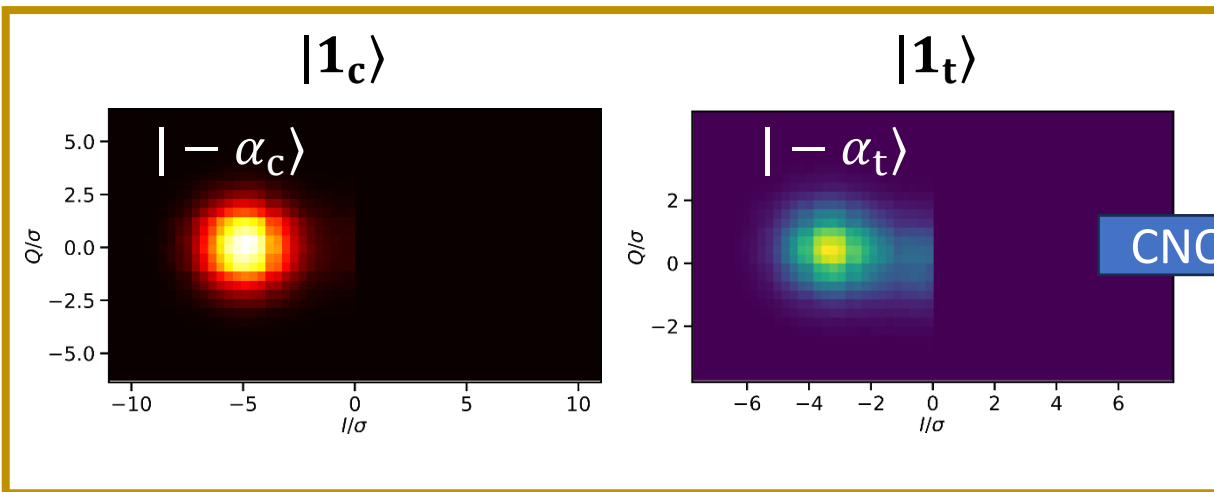
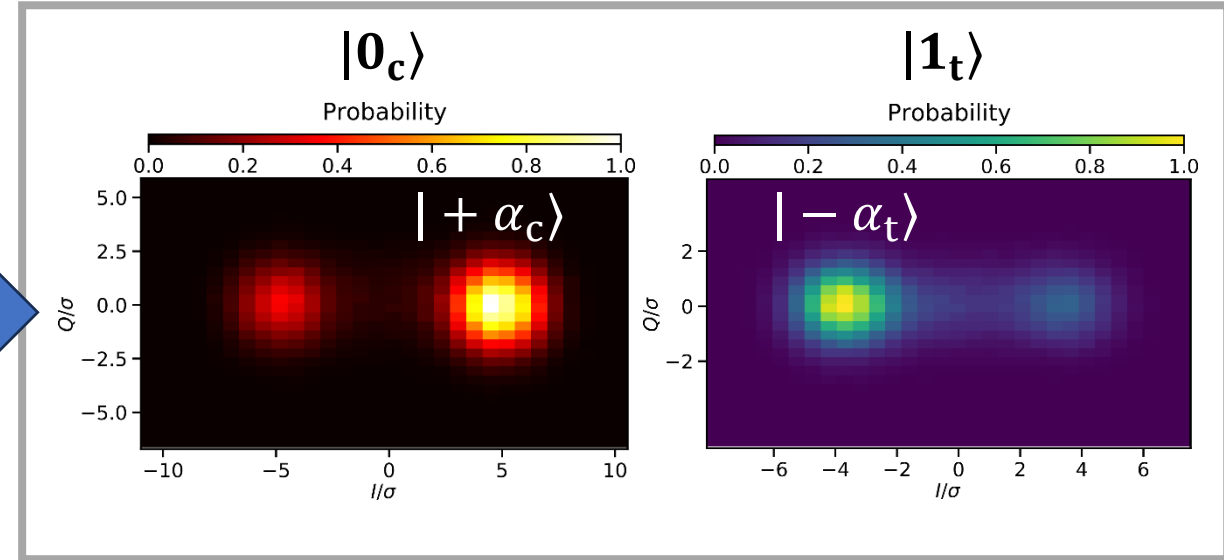
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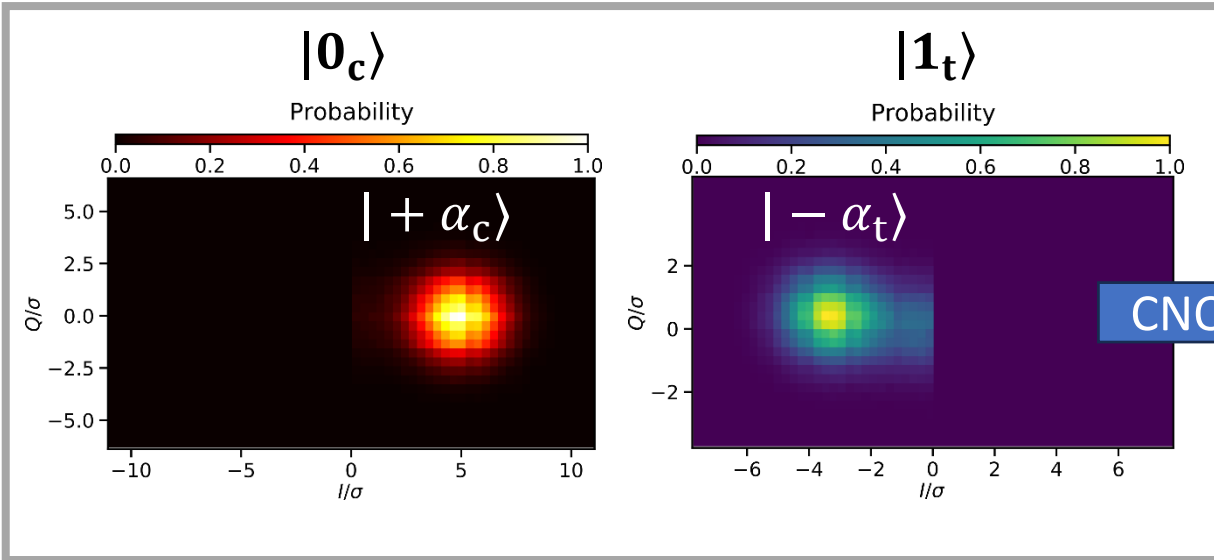


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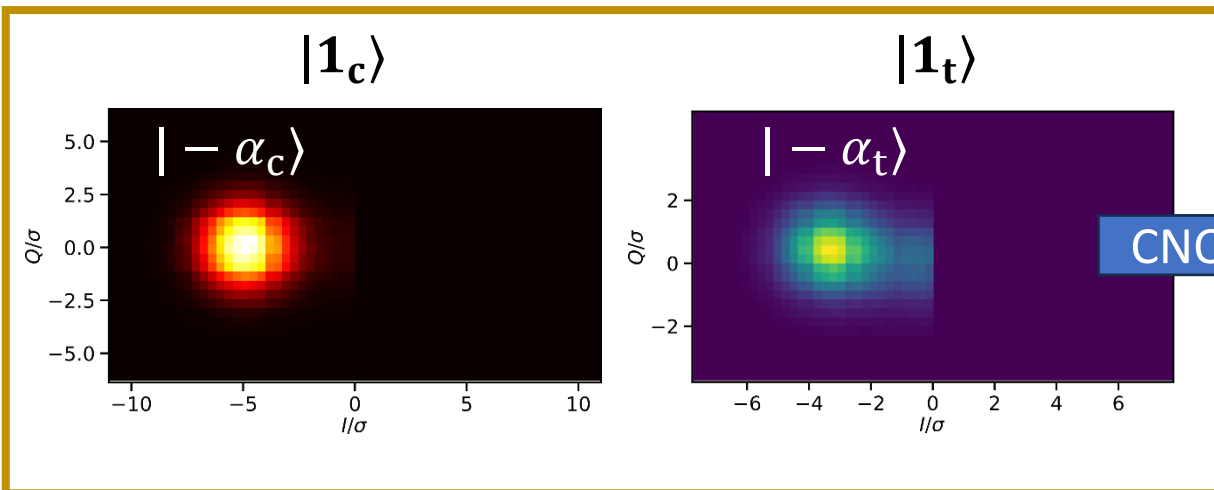
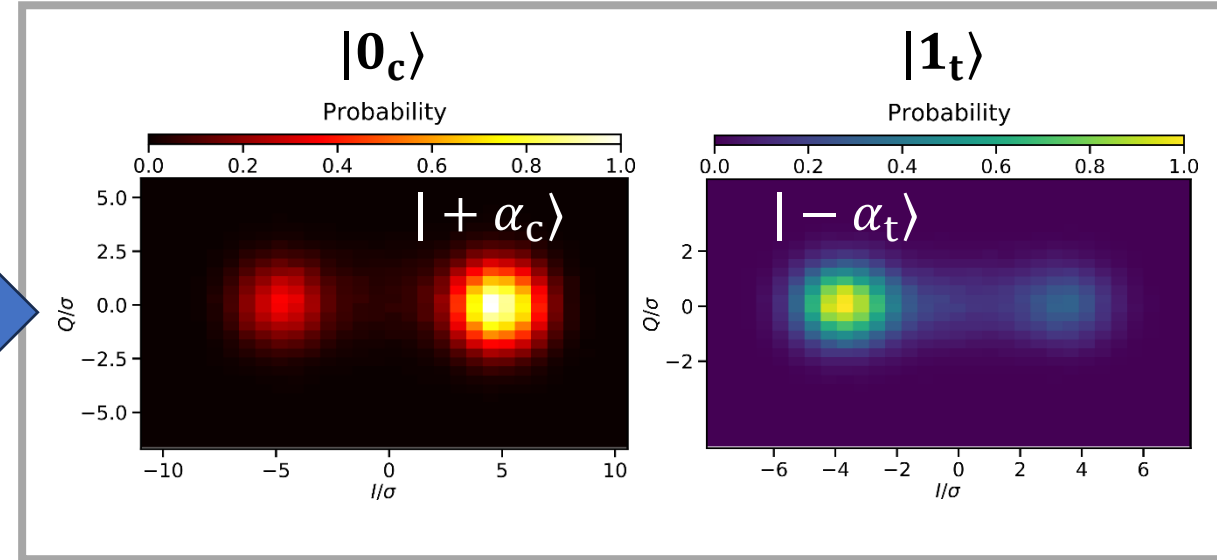


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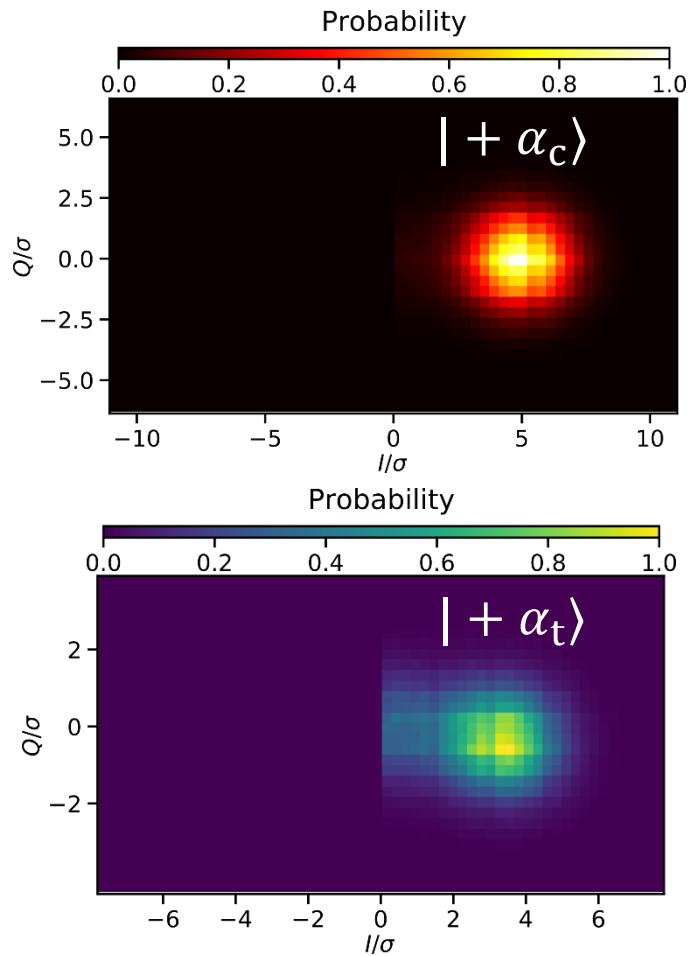
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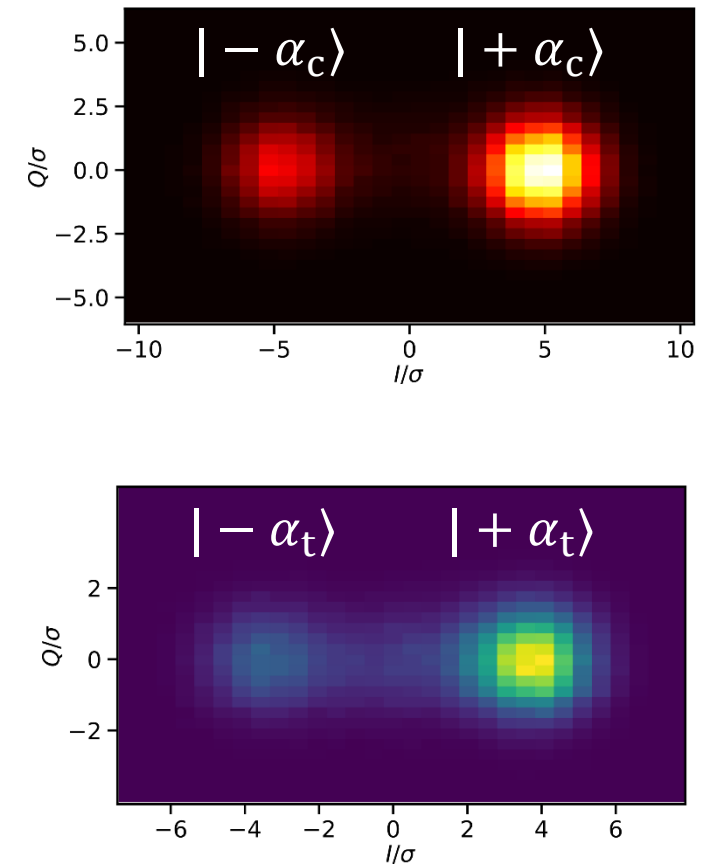
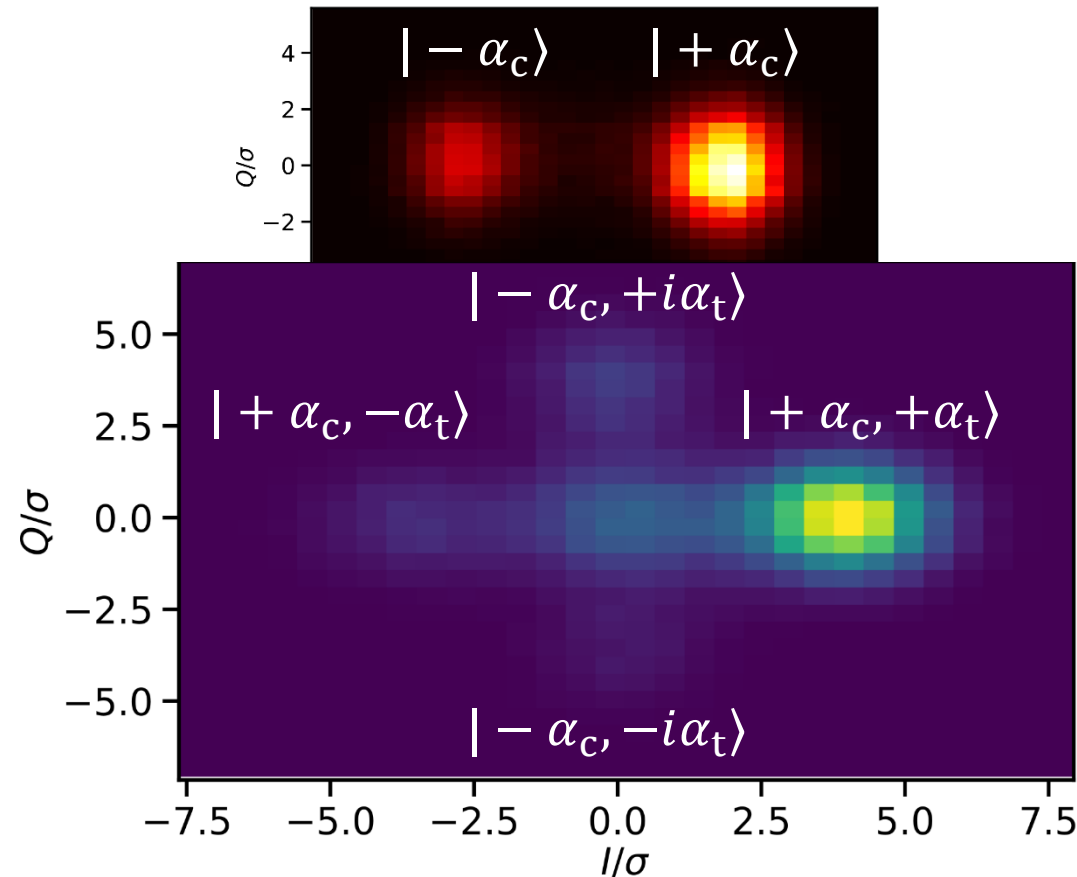
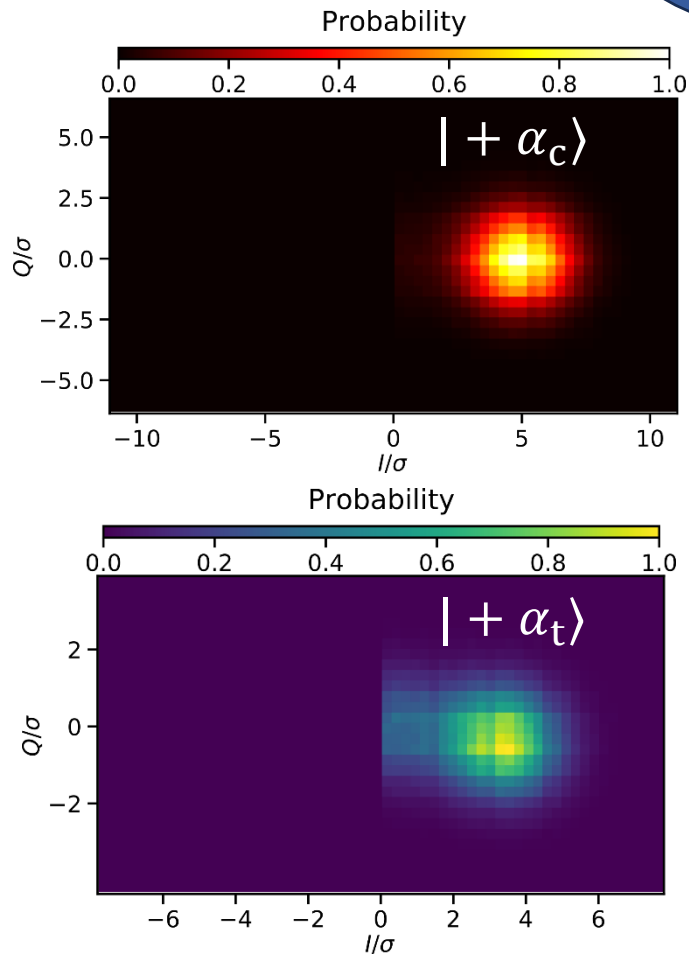
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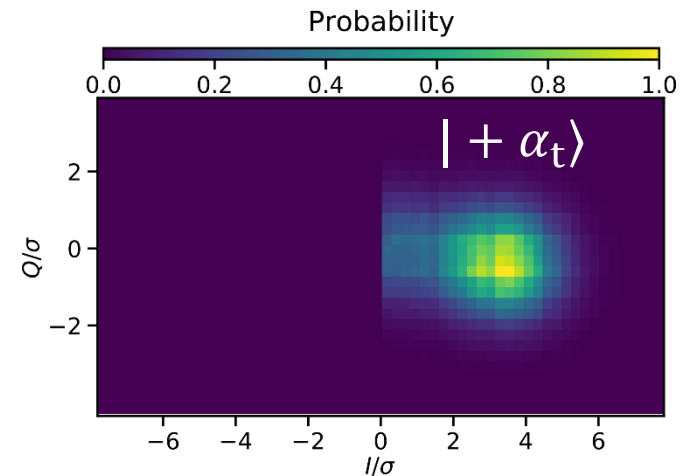
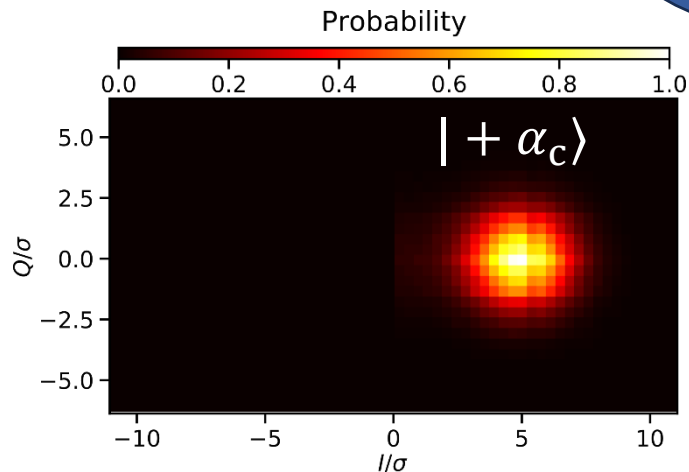
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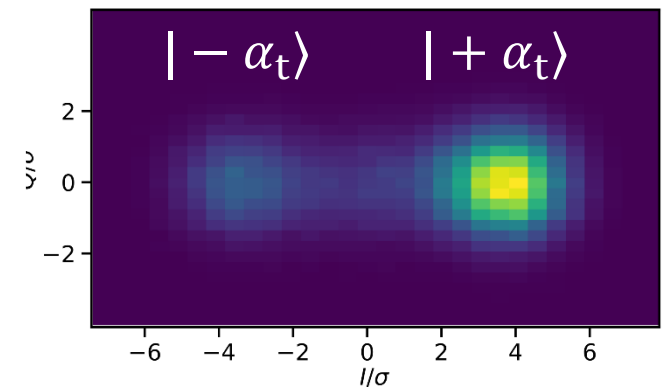
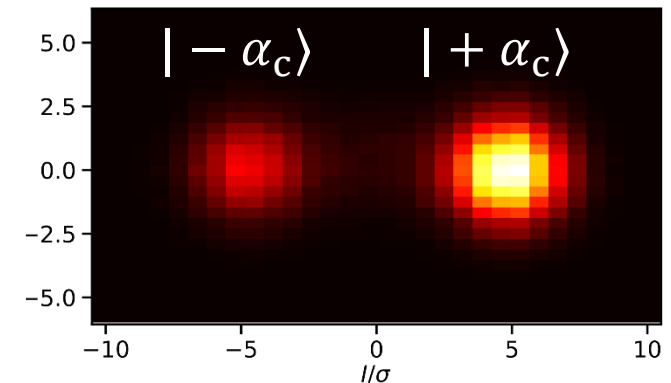
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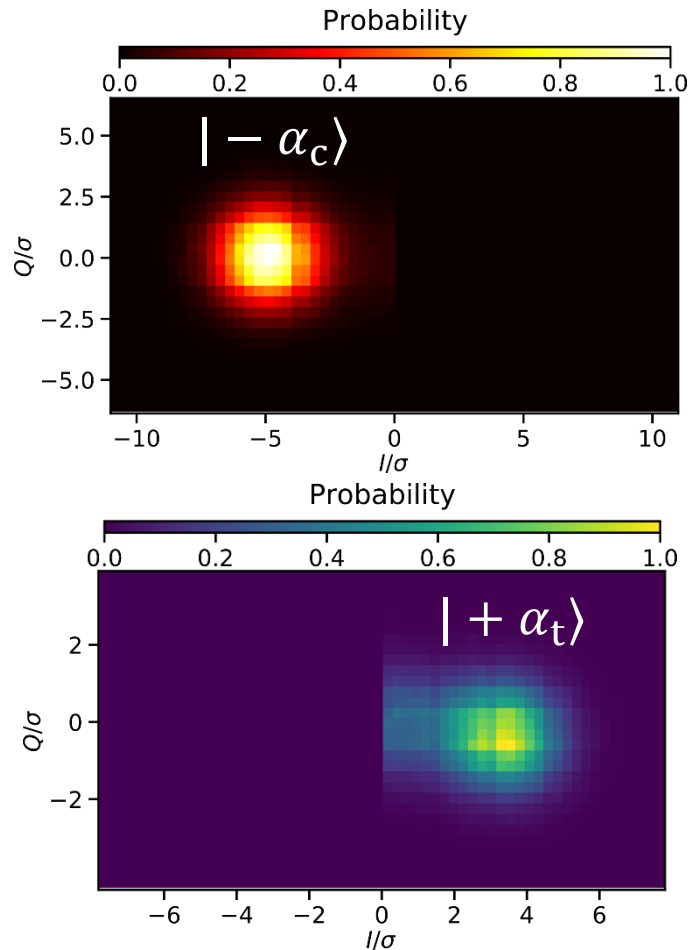


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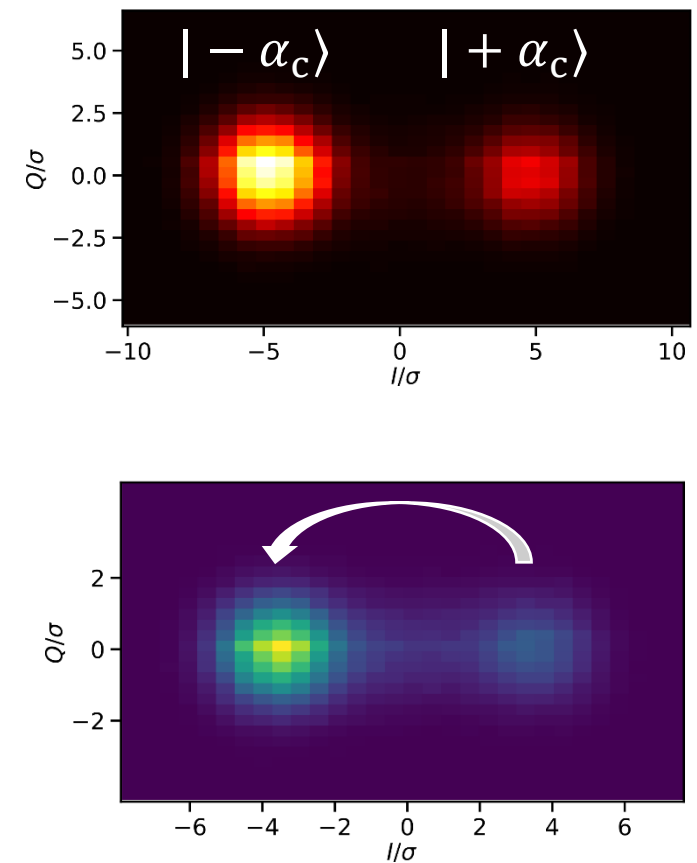
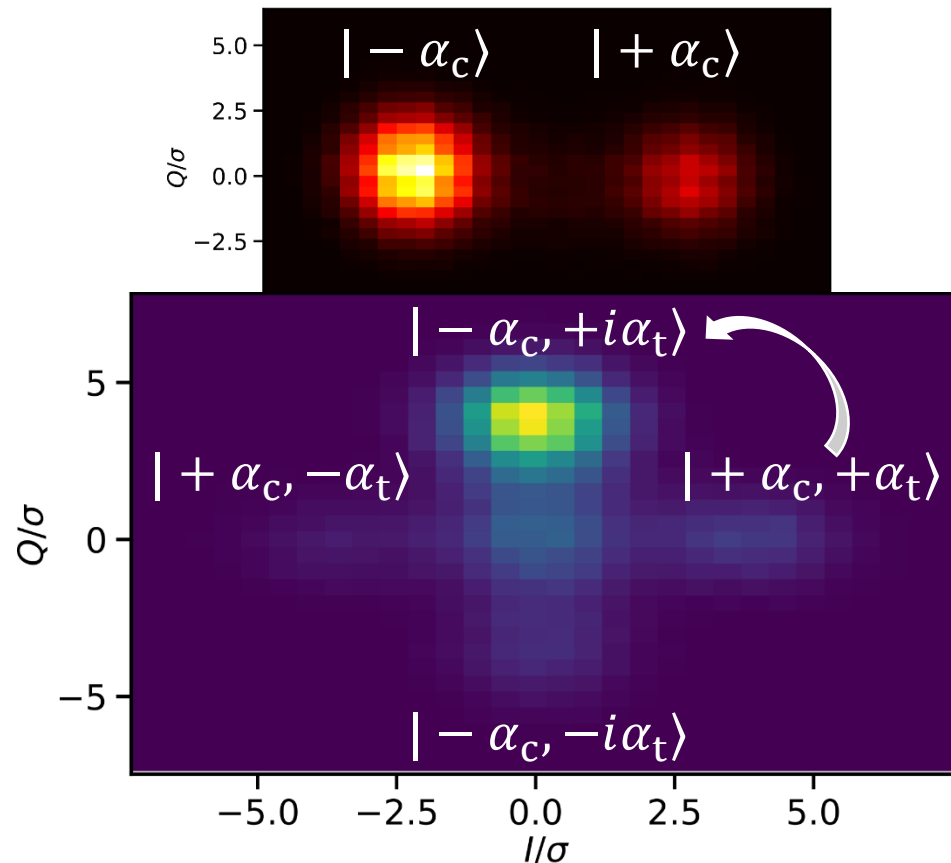
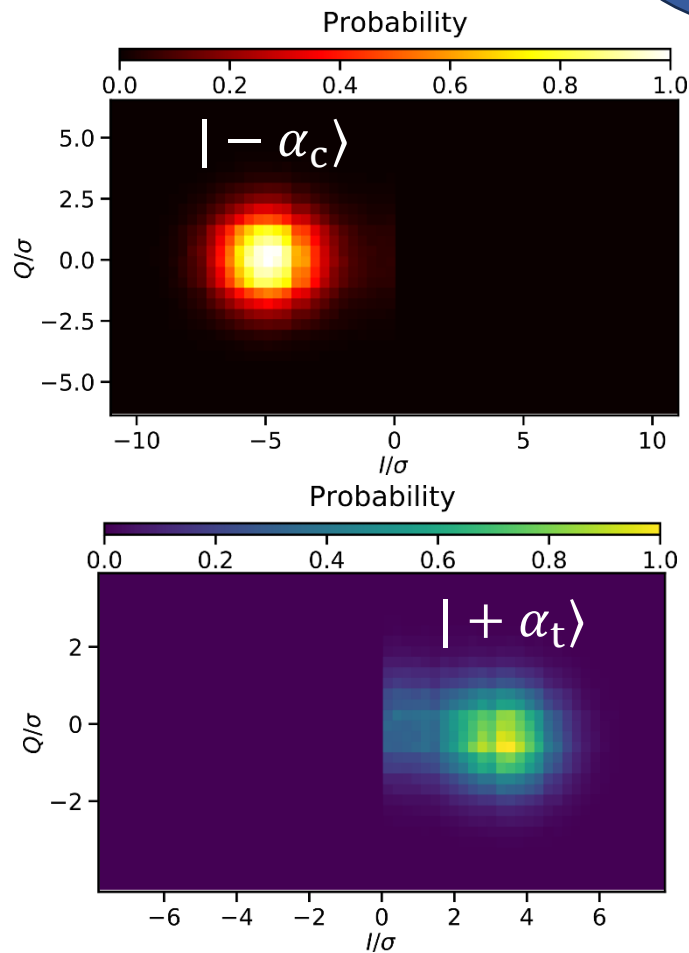
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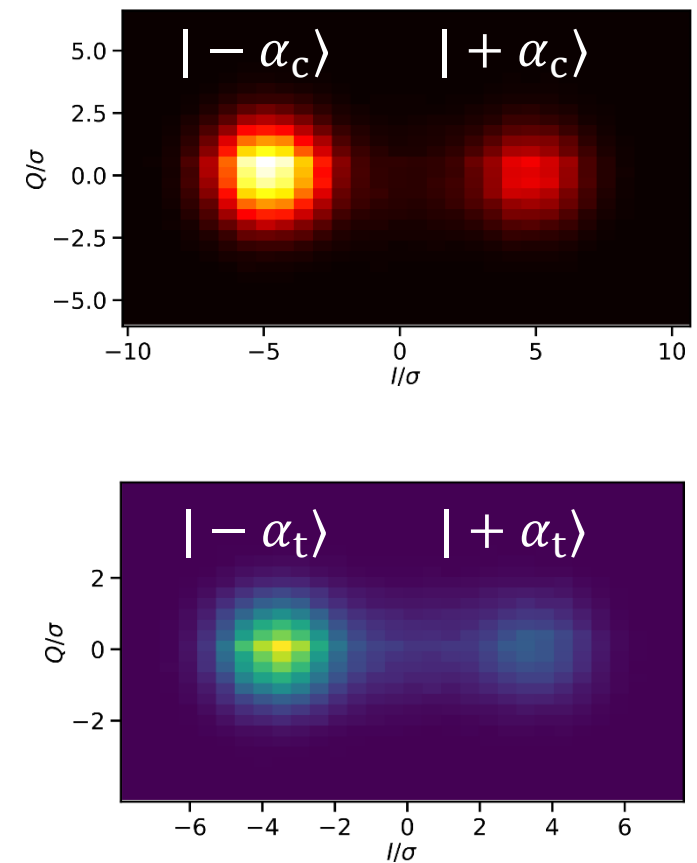
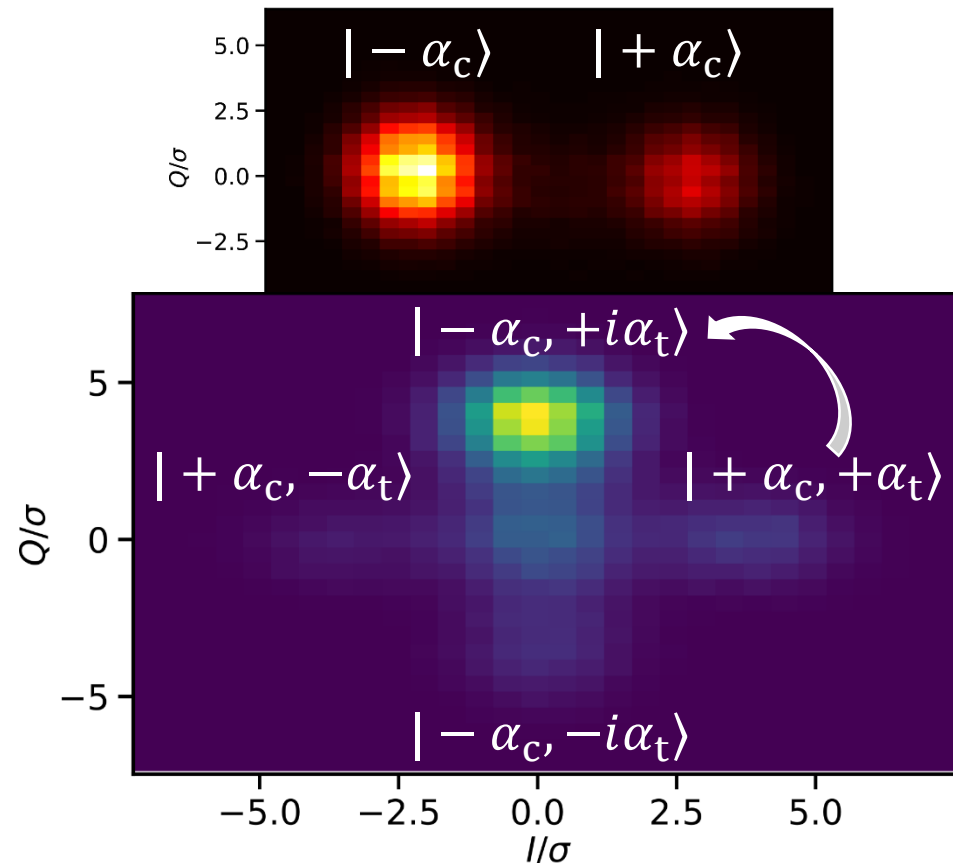
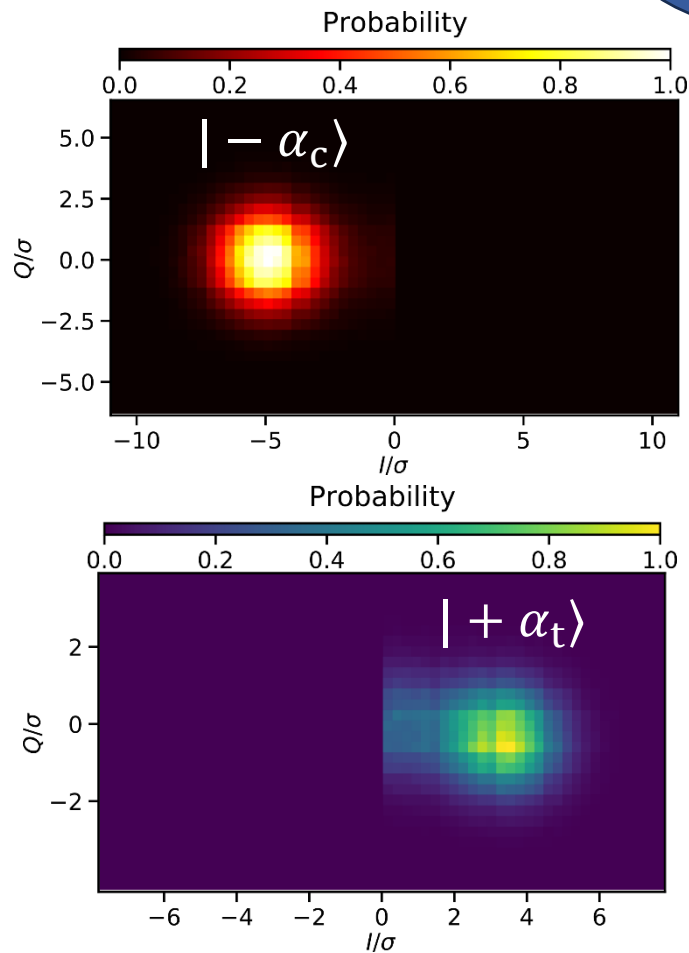
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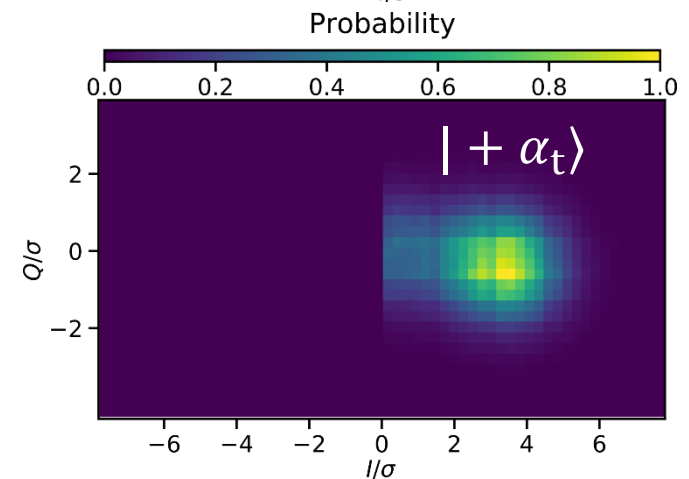
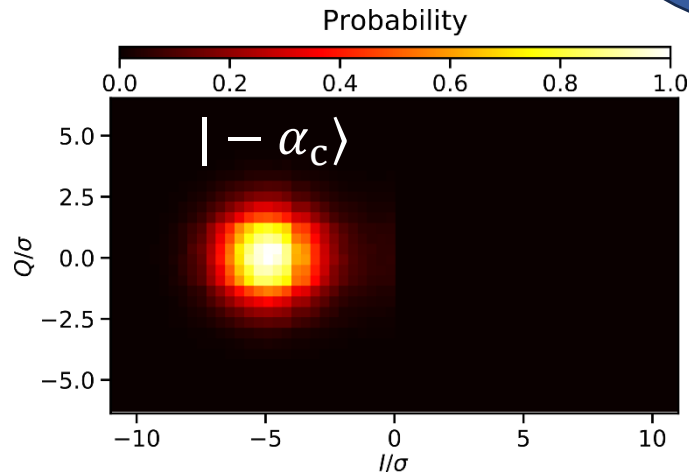
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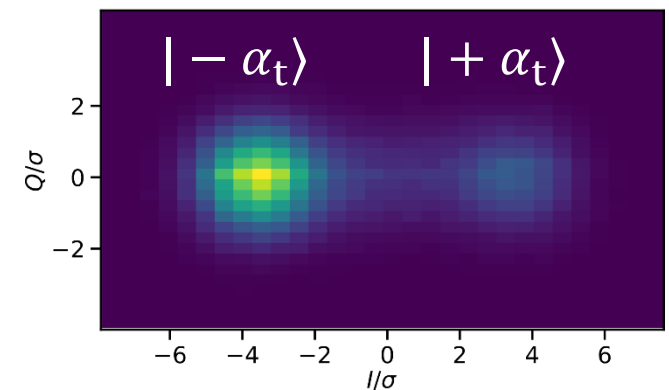
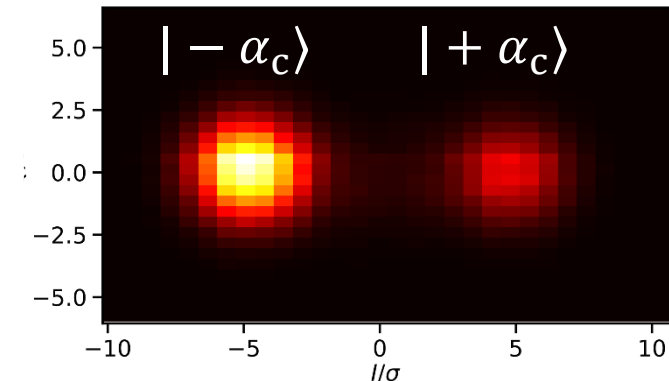
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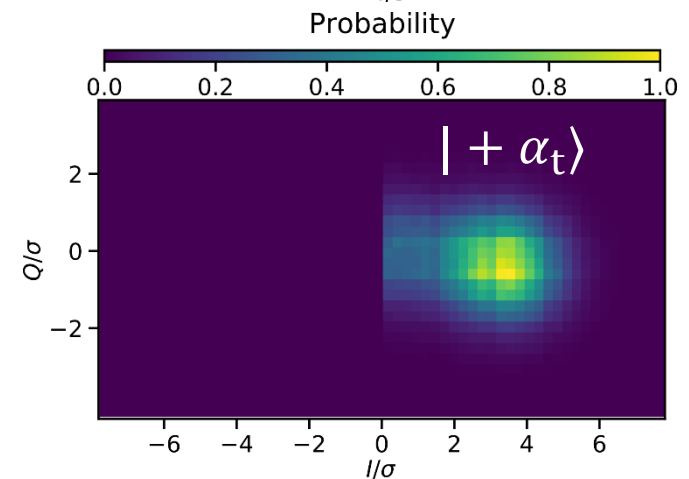
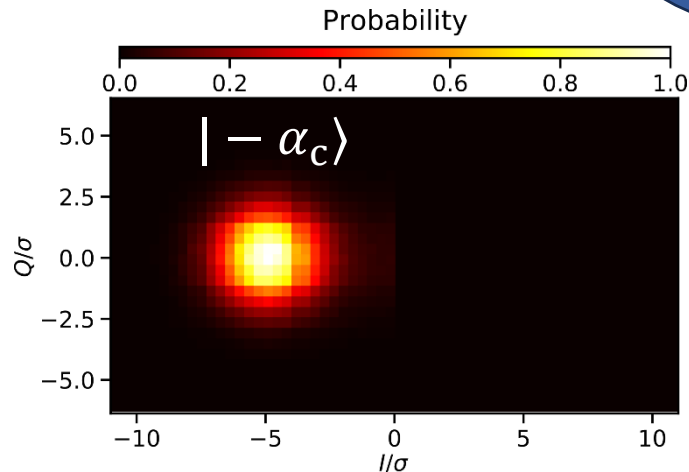
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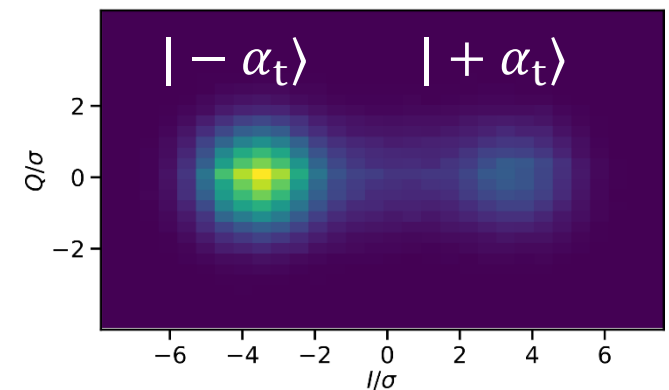
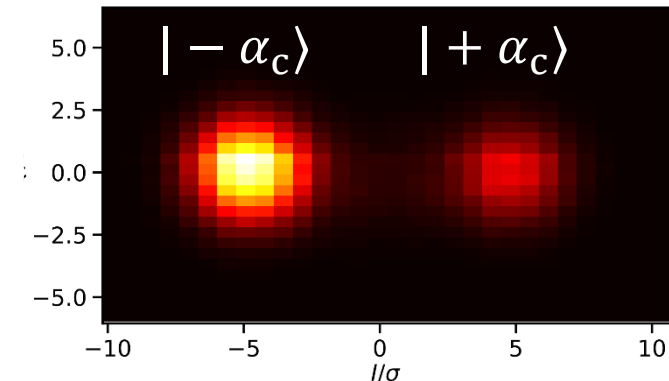
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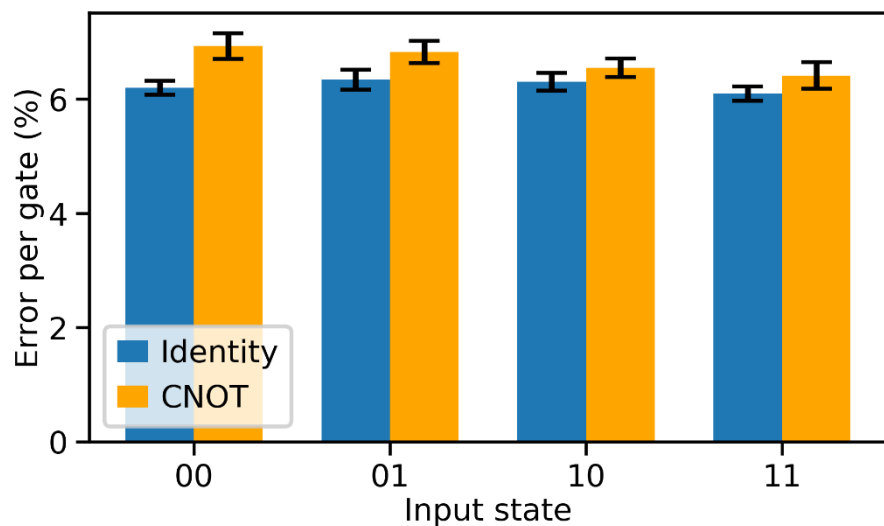
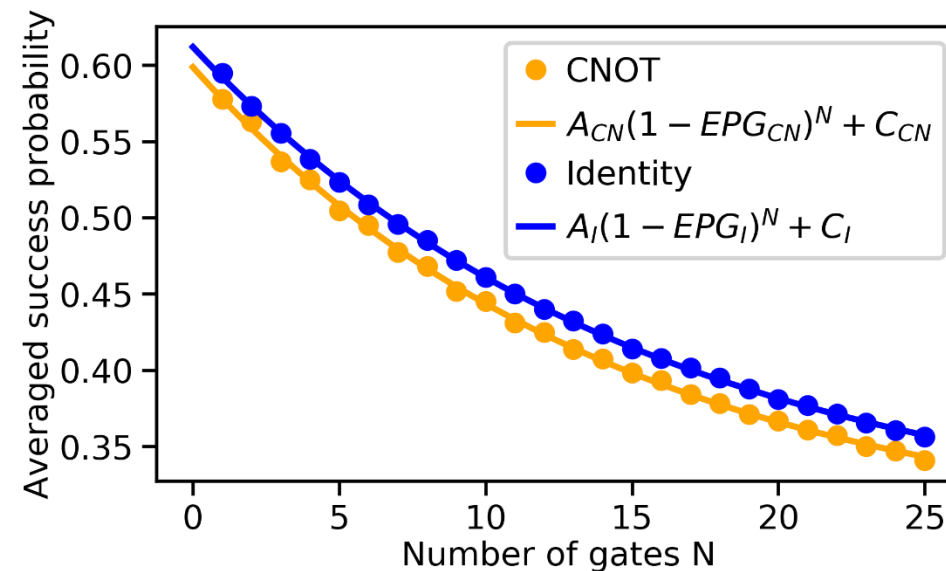
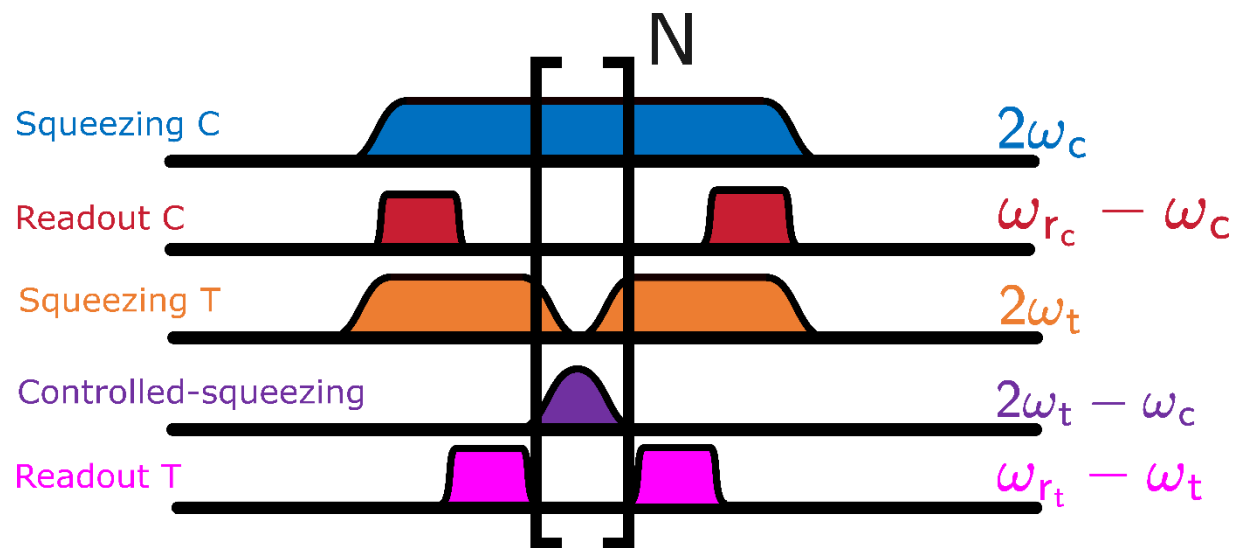
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$ 1_c 0_t\rangle = -\alpha_c, +\alpha_t\rangle$	$ 1_c 1_t\rangle = -\alpha_c, -\alpha_t\rangle$
$ 1_c 1_t\rangle = -\alpha_c, -\alpha_t\rangle$	$ 1_c 0_t\rangle = -\alpha_c, +\alpha_t\rangle$



GATE CHARACTERIZATION



Average error per CNOT
(6.7 ± 0.2)%

Average error per Identity
(6.2 ± 0.1)%

Only (8 ± 4)% of
errors caused by
CNOT!

SUMMARY & OUTLOOK

- Demonstration of controlled-squeezing for bias-preserving CNOT
- Implemented bias-preserving CNOT for coherent states with $> 93\%$ success probability
- Gate only responsible for $\sim 10\%$ of errors
- Implement bias-preserving CNOT for superpositions