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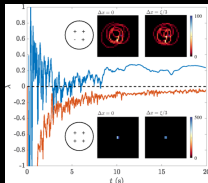
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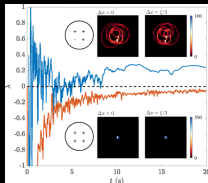
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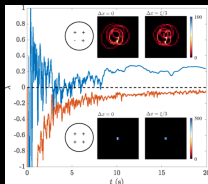
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Academia does not encourage good software development

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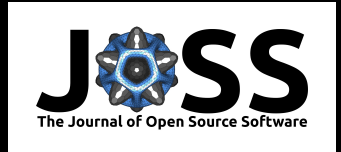
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are not funded with money or
publications

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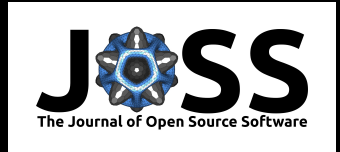
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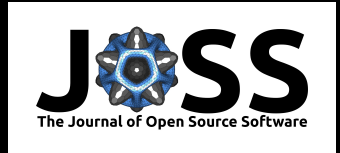
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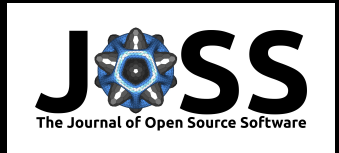
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Headway has been made in all of these areas

If scientists are in the business of creating high-quality, replicable scientific results, the software they use *must be* considered part of this process