

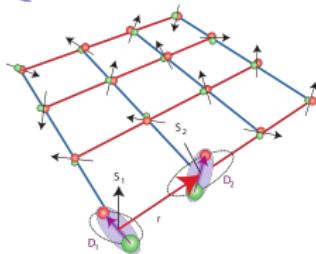
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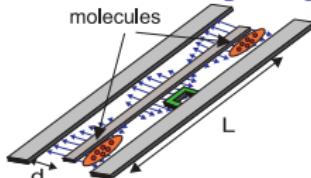
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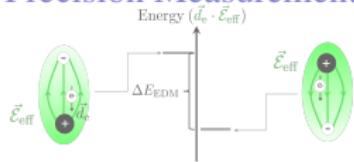
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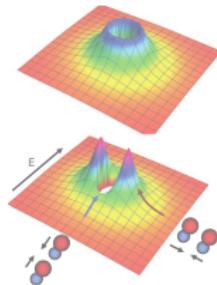
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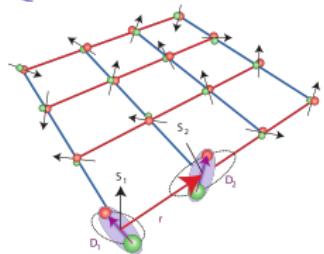
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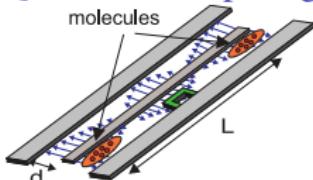
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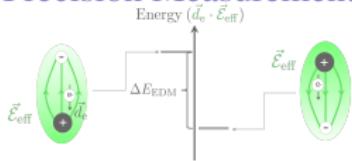
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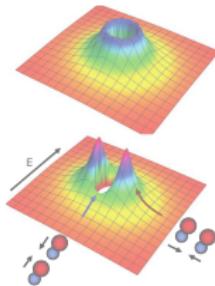
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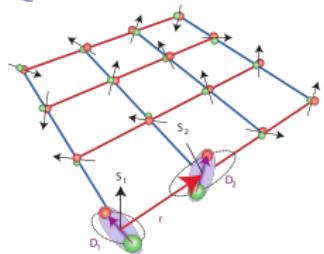
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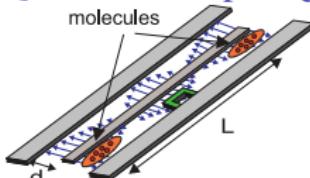
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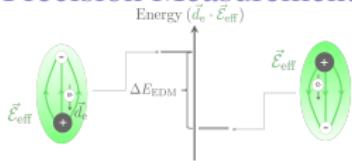
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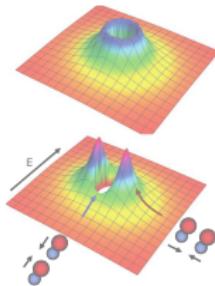
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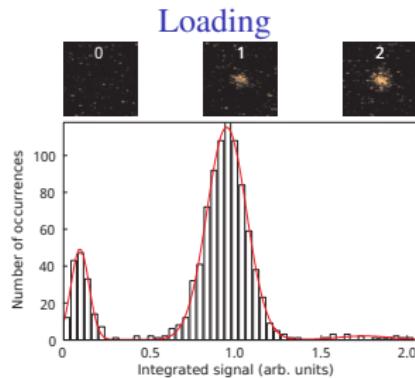
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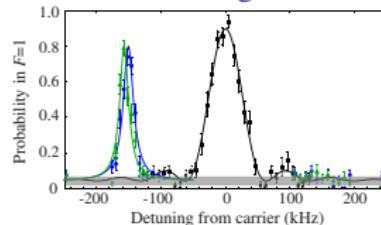
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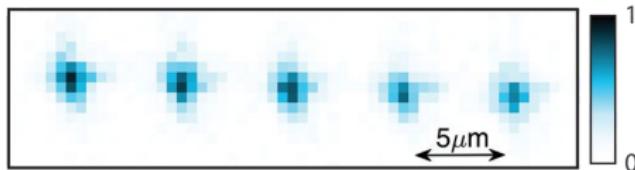
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Rearranging



Ultracold molecule in tweezers

Direct cooling



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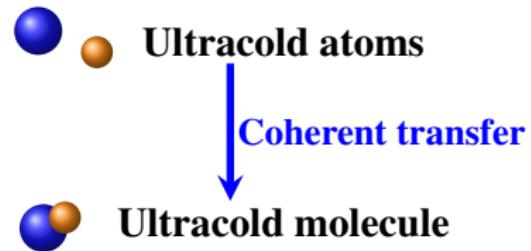
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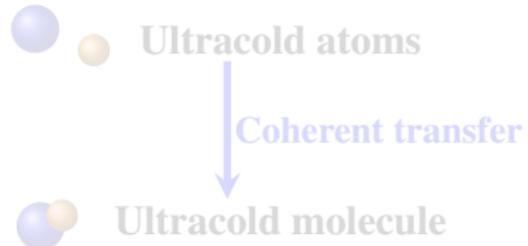
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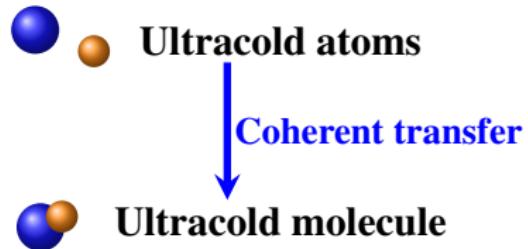
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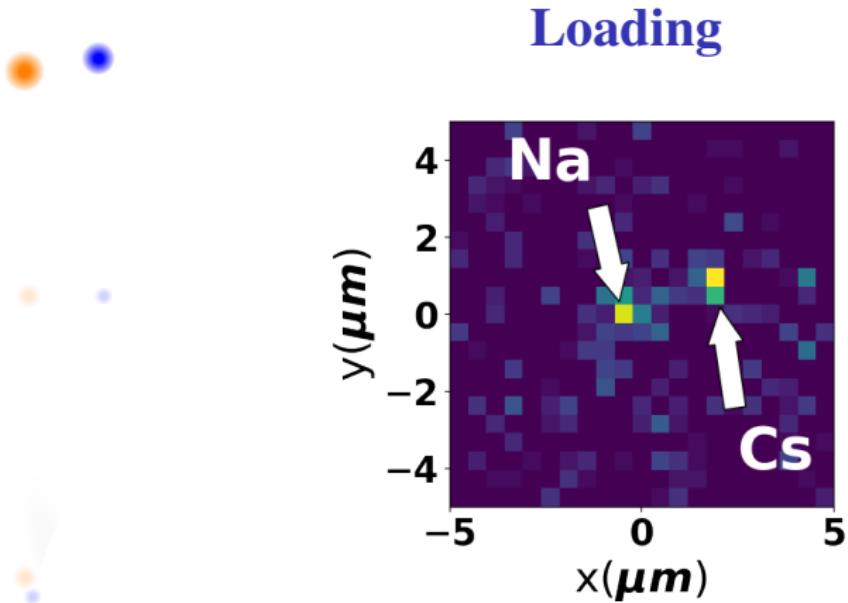
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NaCs molecule

- Bi-alkali (easy to control)
- Large dipole moment: 4.6 D

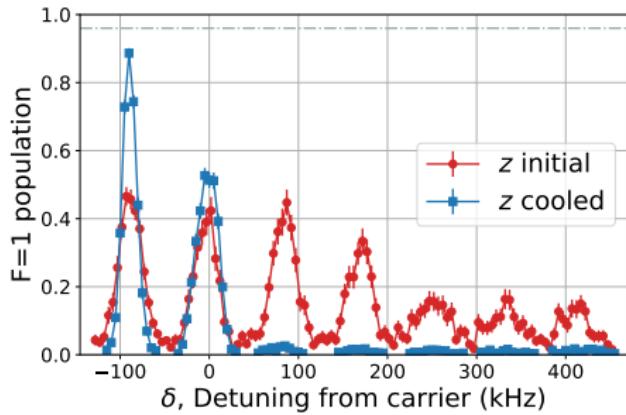
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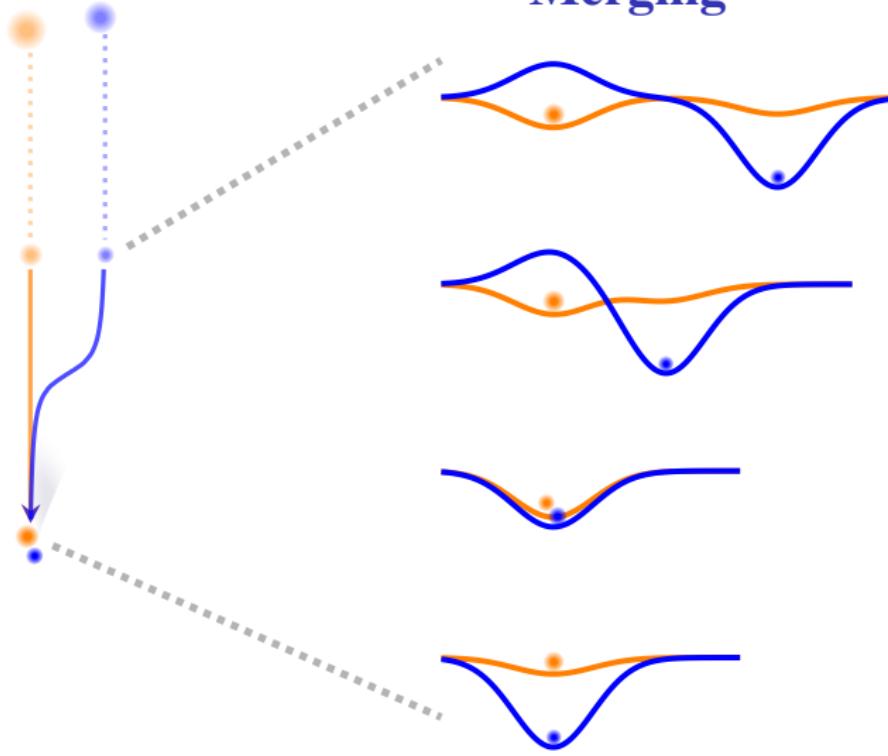
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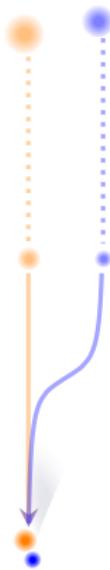
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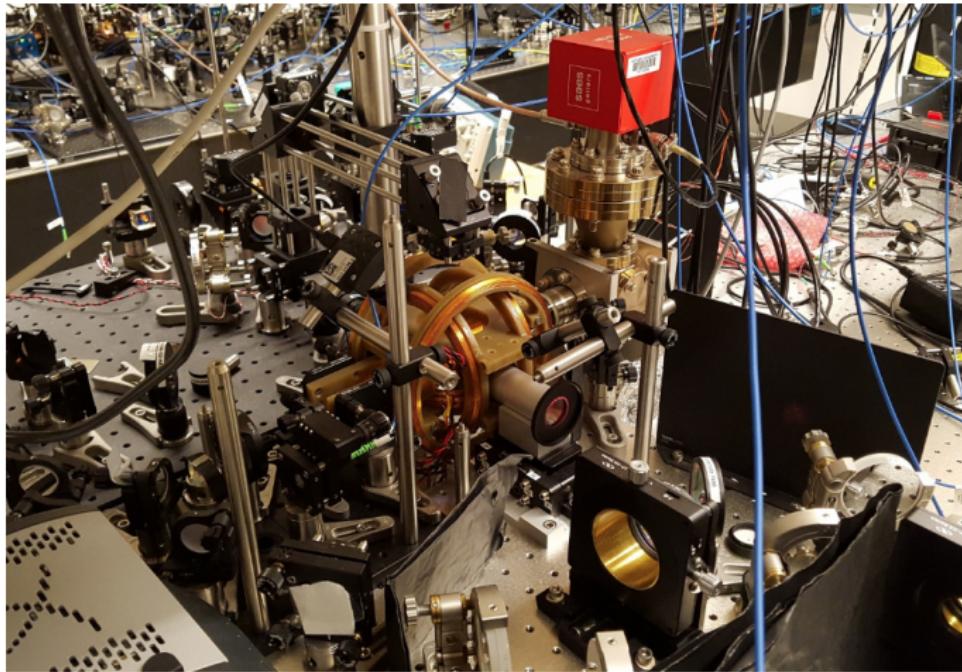
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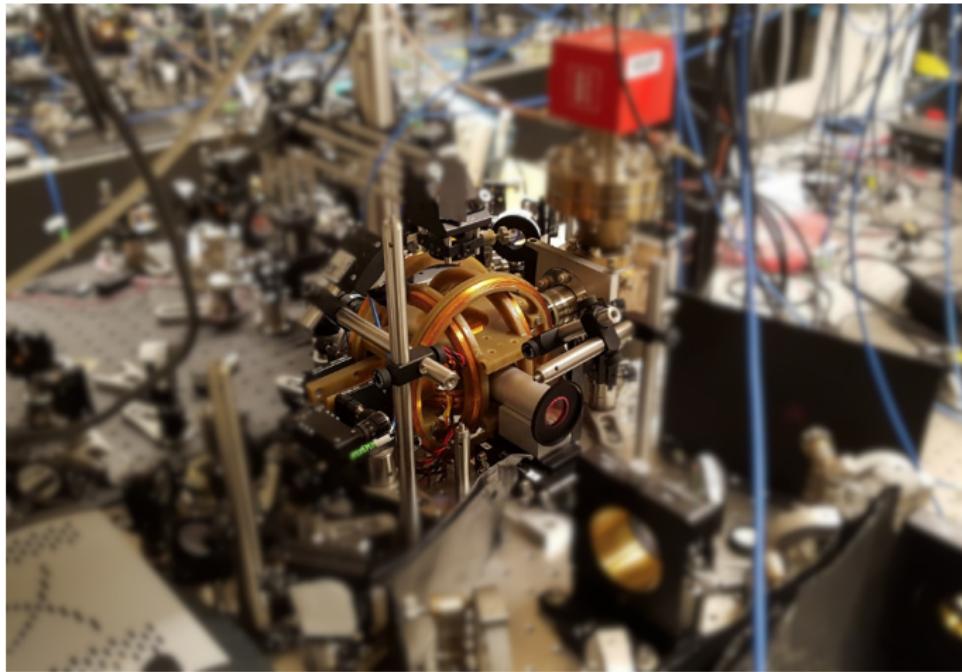


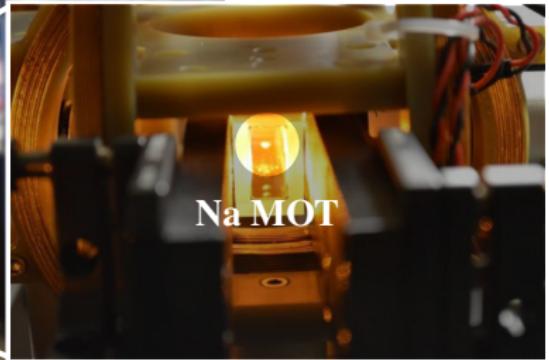
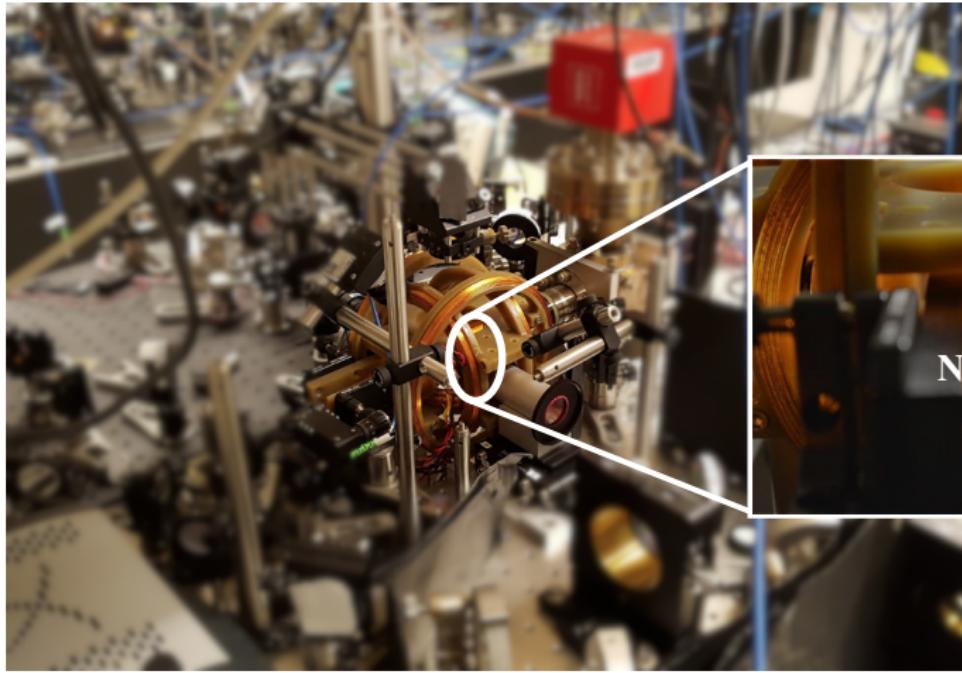
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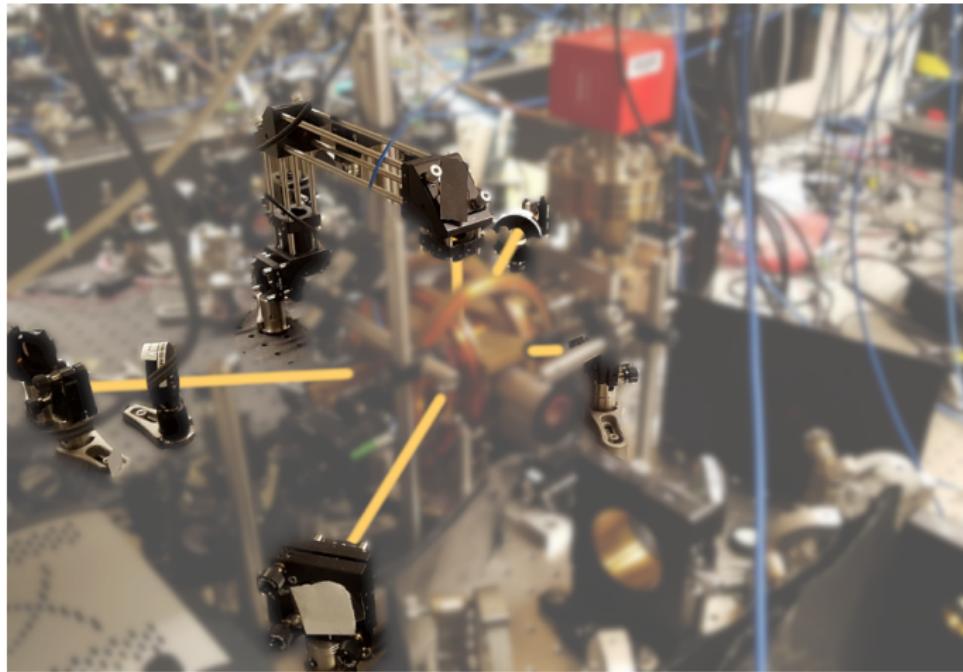
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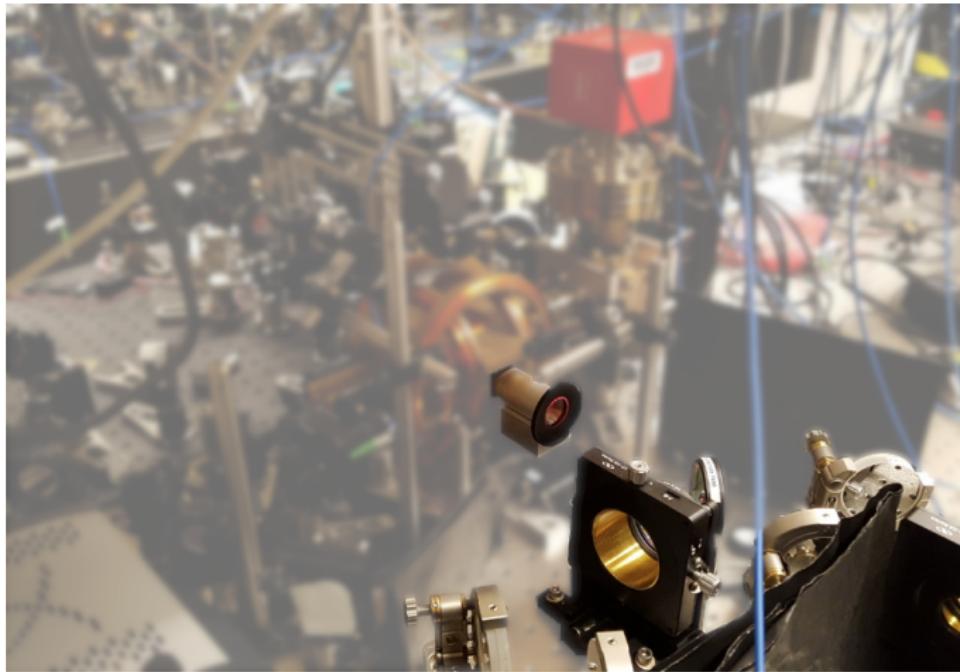




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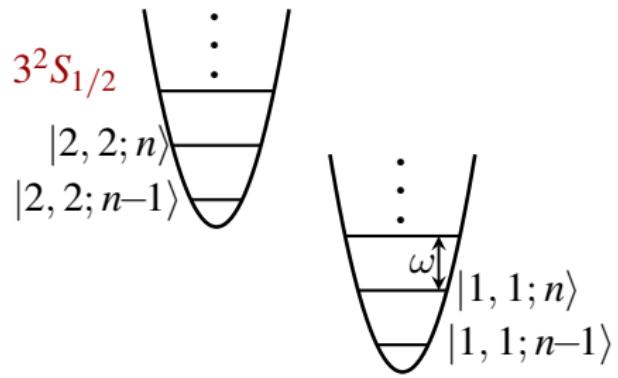
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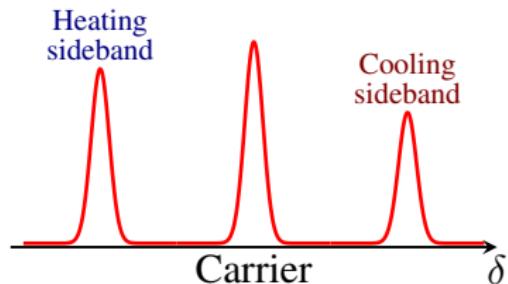
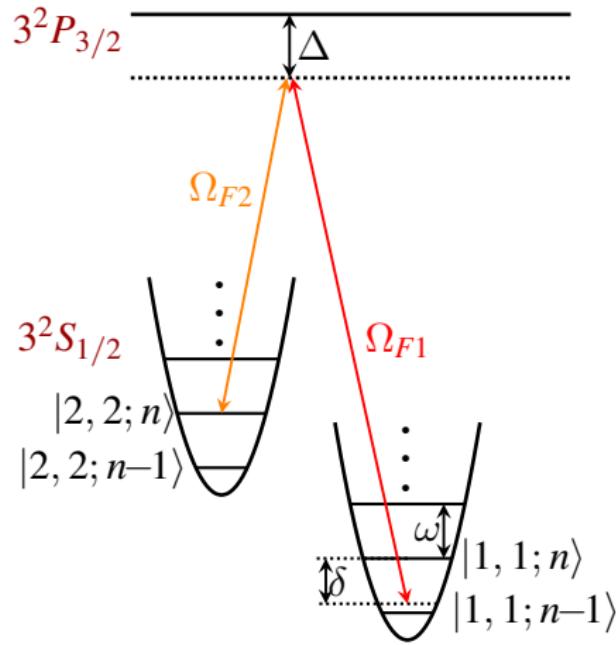
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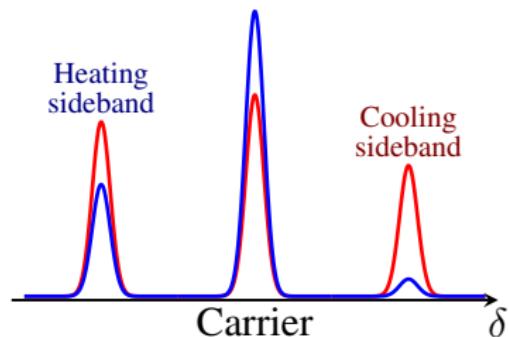
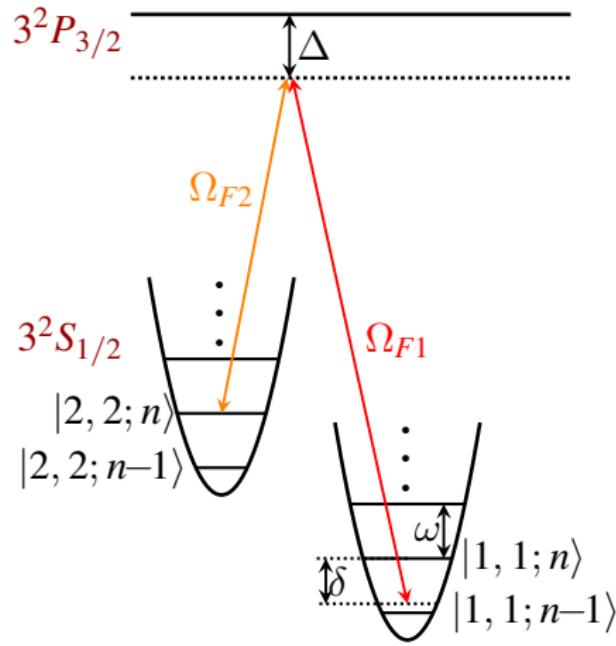
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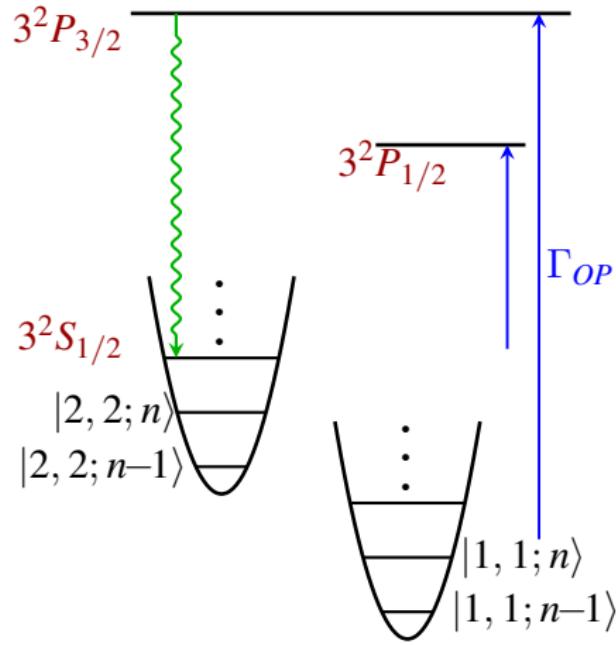
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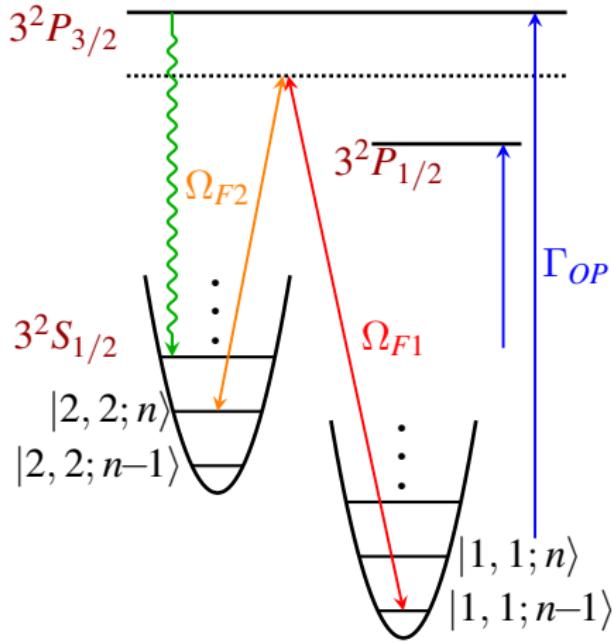
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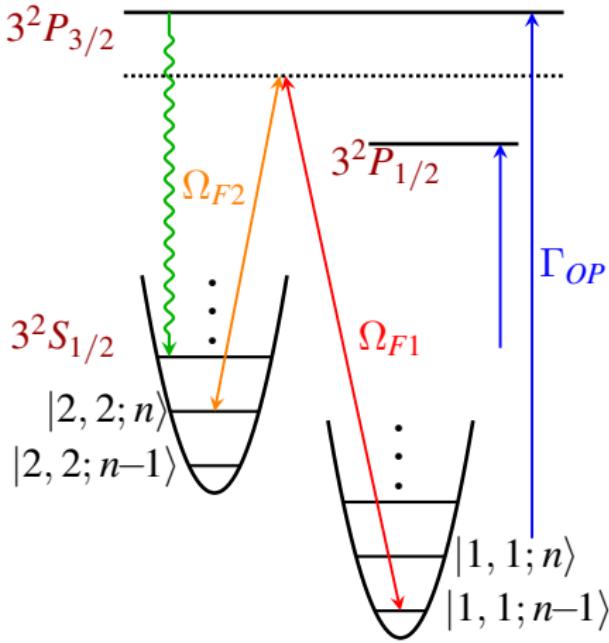


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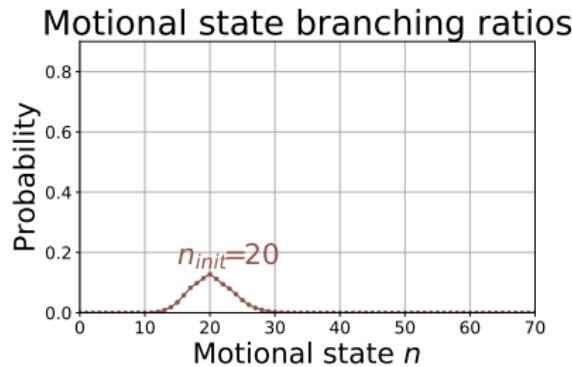
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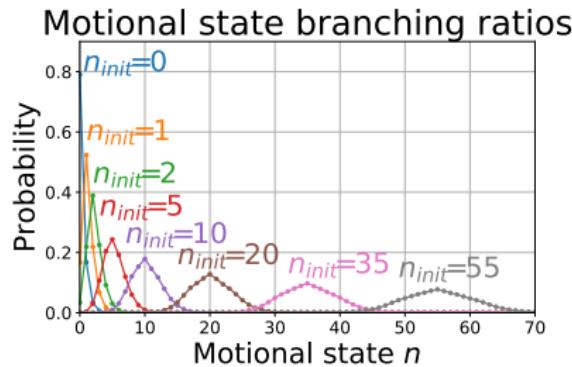
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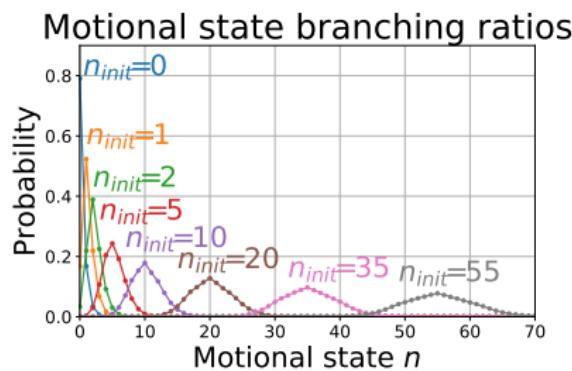
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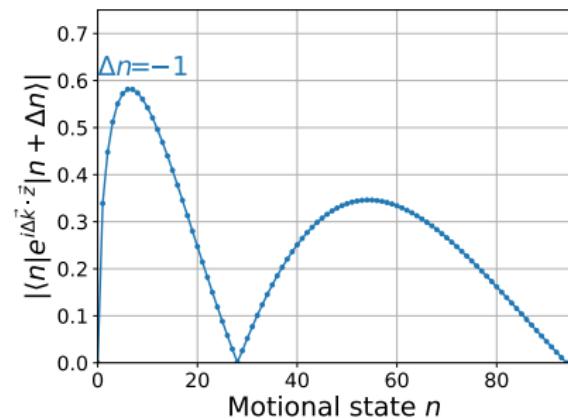


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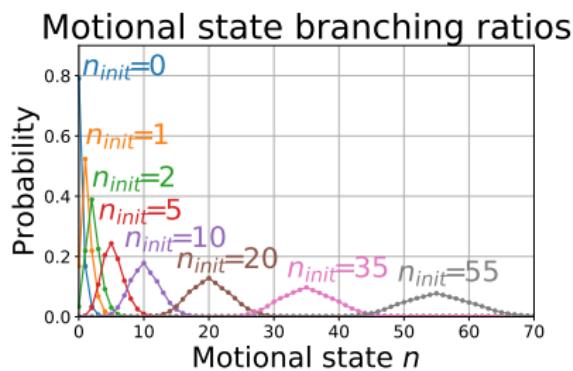
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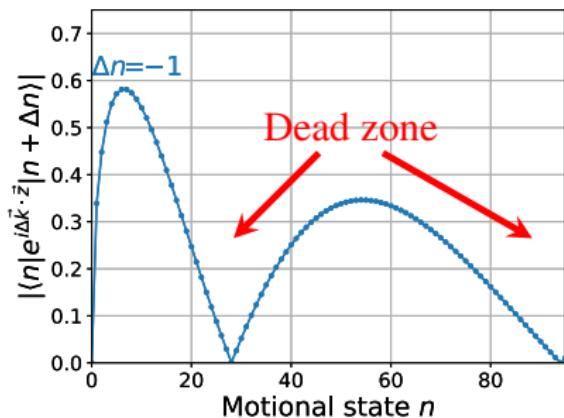


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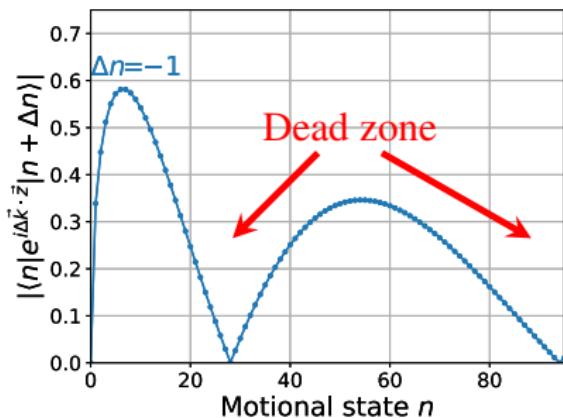
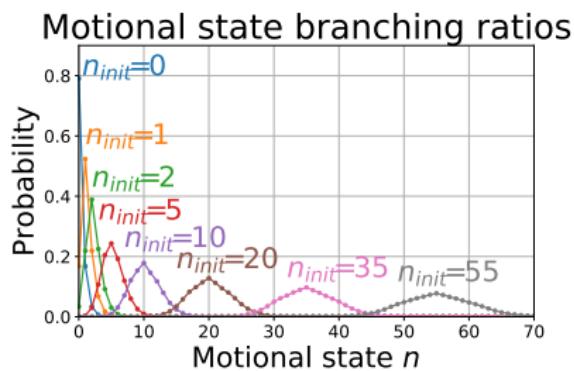
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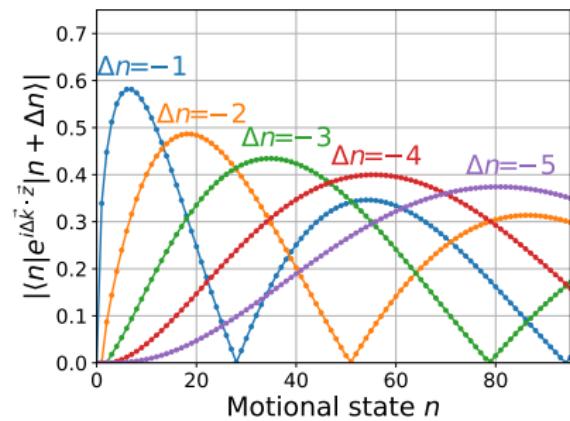
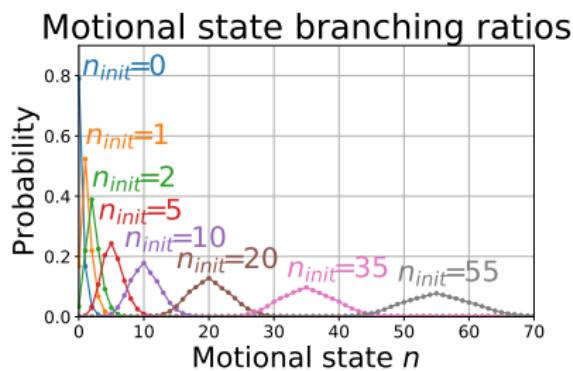
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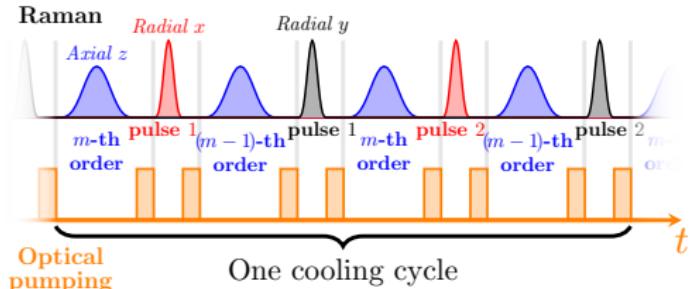
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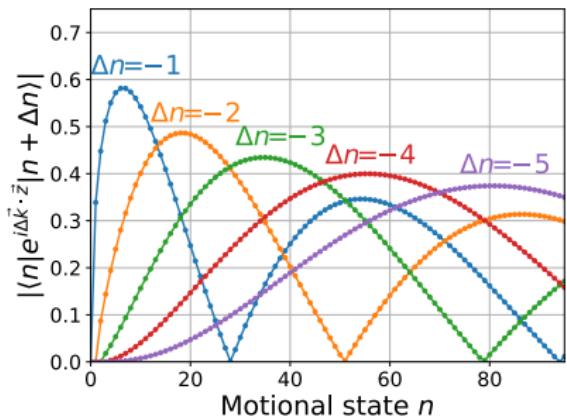
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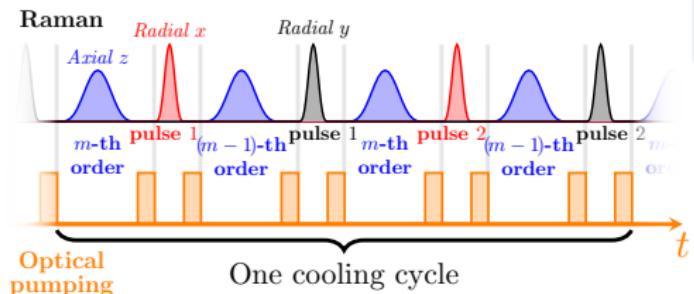
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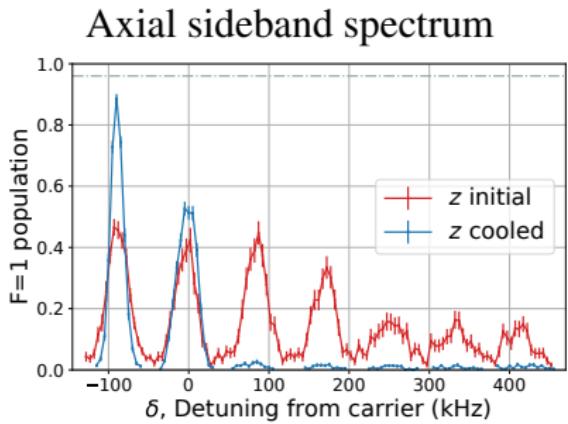
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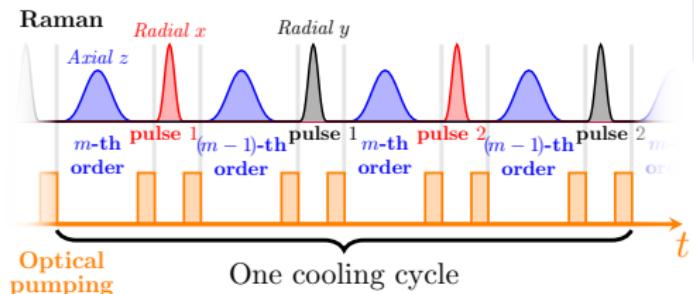
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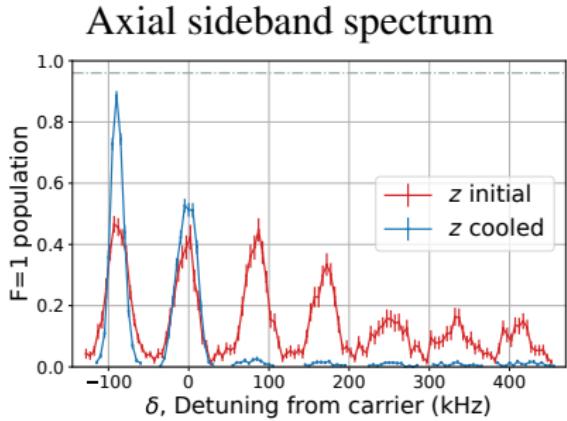
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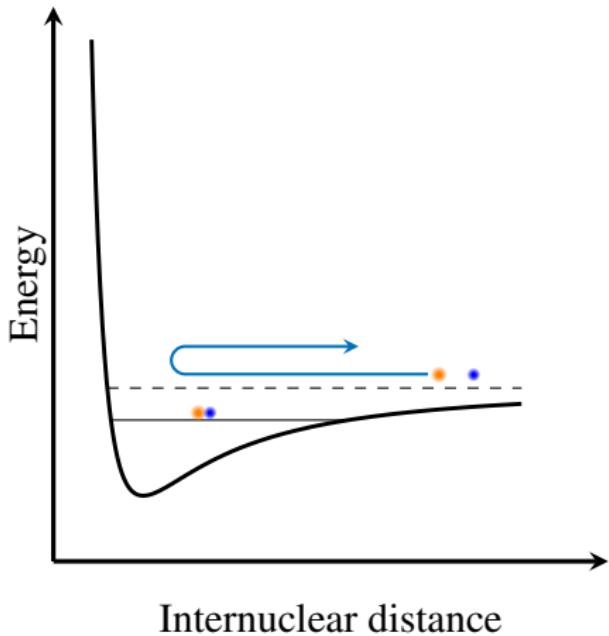
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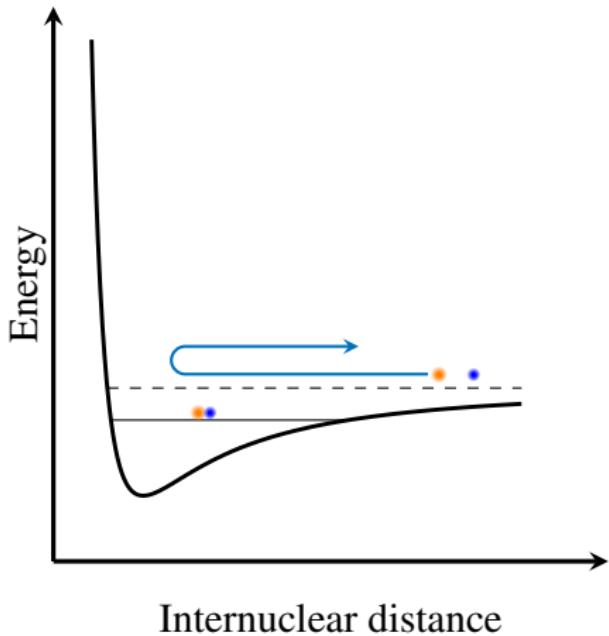
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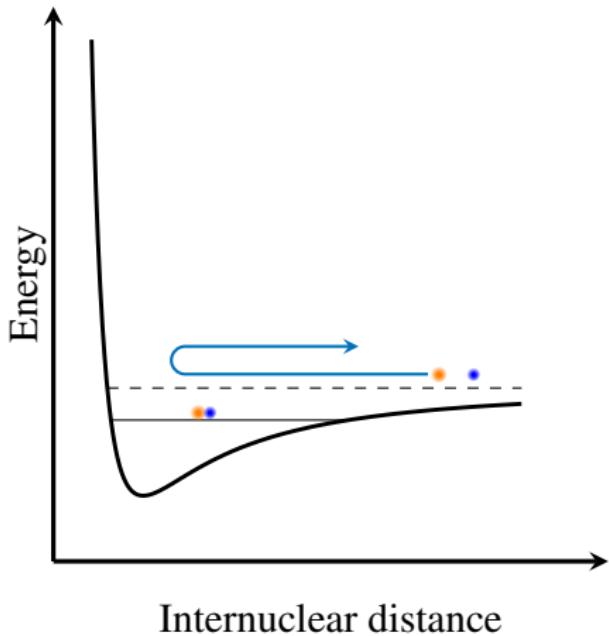
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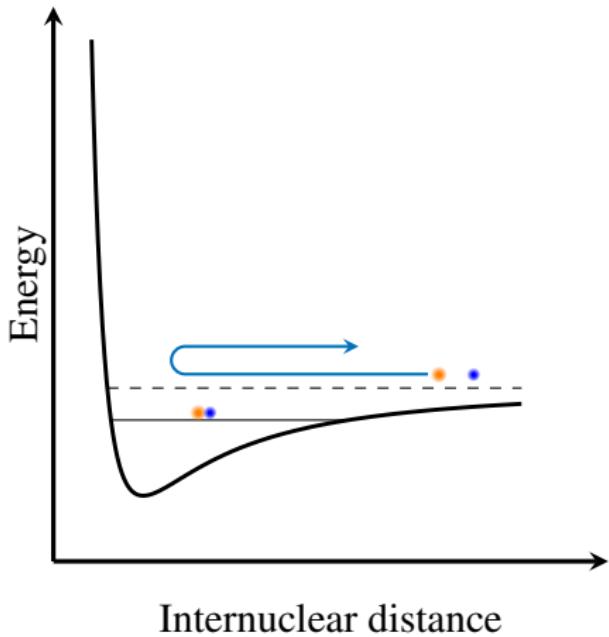
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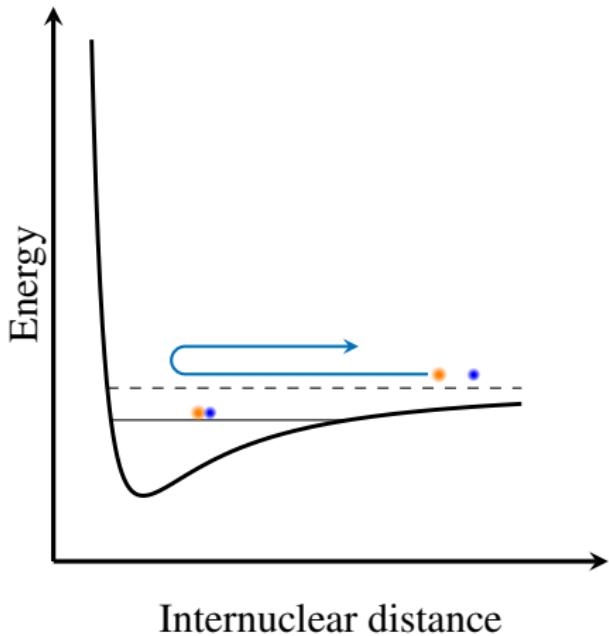
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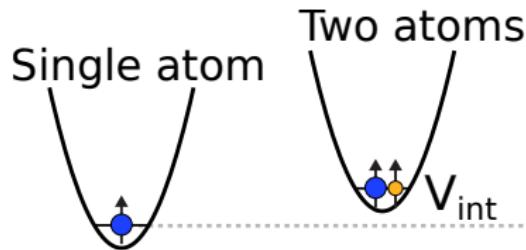


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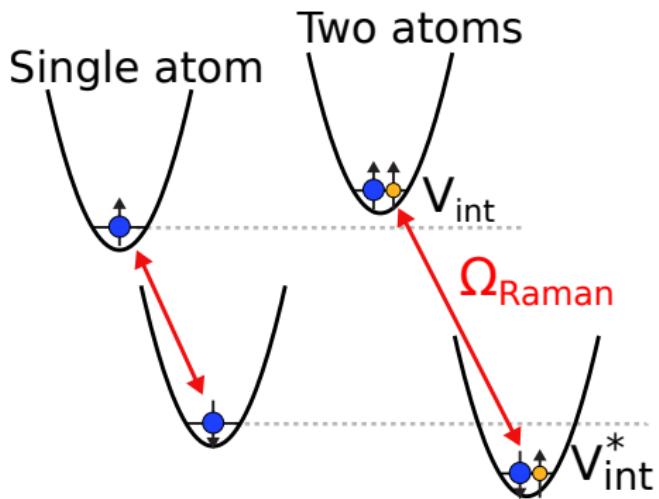
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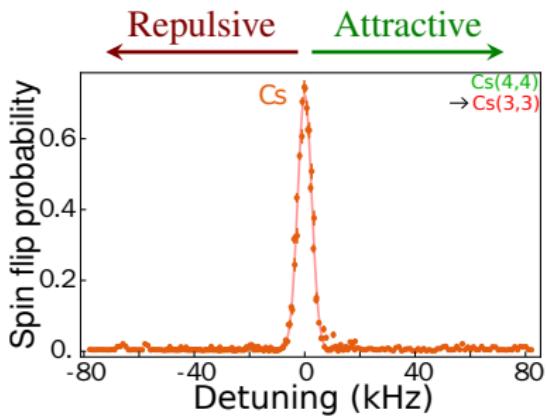
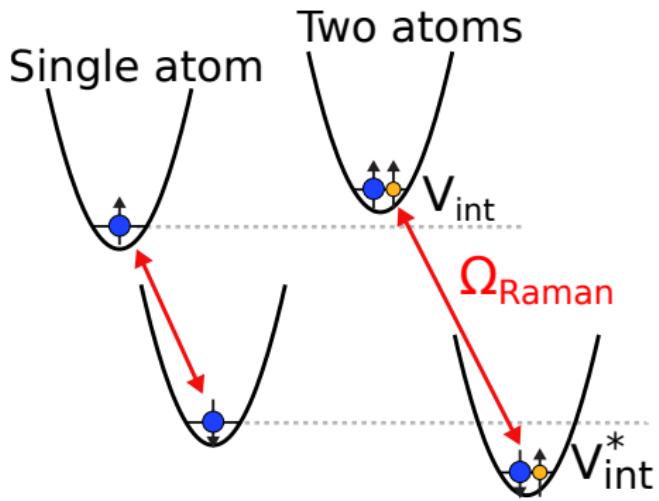
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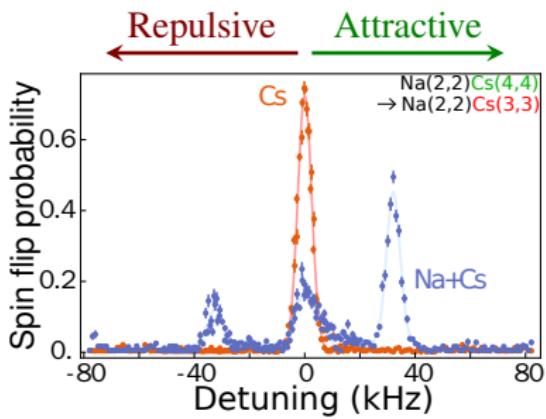
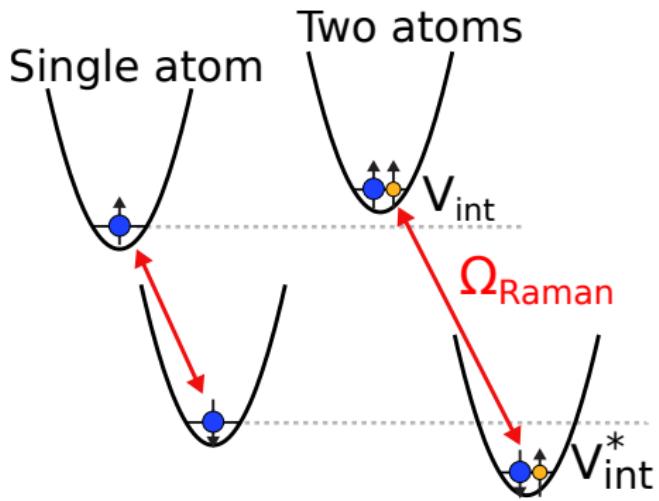
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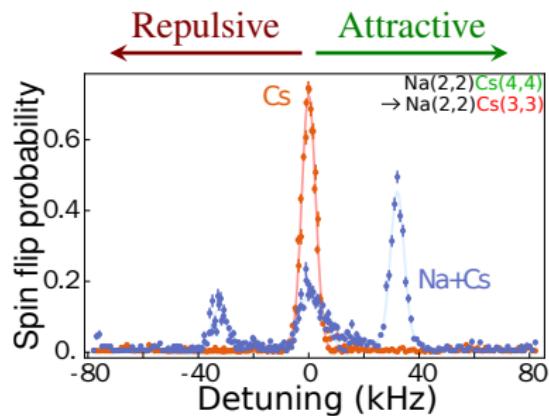
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$$H = \underbrace{\sum_{i=x,y,z} \left(\frac{m_1 \omega_{1,i}^2 X_{1,i}^2}{2} + \frac{p_{1,i}^2}{2m_1} \right)}_{\text{Na}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=x,y,z} \left(\frac{m_2 \omega_{2,i}^2 X_{2,i}^2}{2} + \frac{p_{2,i}^2}{2m_2} \right)}_{\text{Cs}} + V_{int}(\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2) \underbrace{\quad}_{\text{Interaction}}$$

To center of mass
and relative coordinates

$$M = m_1 + m_2$$

$$\mu = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2}$$

$$\Omega_i^2 = \frac{m_1 \omega_{1,i}^2 + m_2 \omega_{2,i}^2}{m_1 + m_2}$$

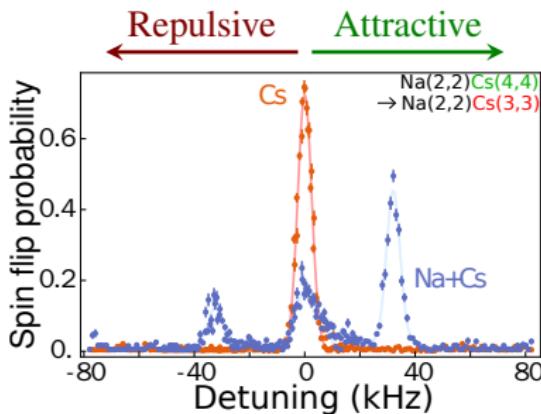
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$$X_i = \frac{m_1 x_{1,i} + m_2 x_{2,i}}{m_1 + m_2}$$

$$x_{R,i} = x_{1,i} - x_{2,i}$$

$$P_i = p_{1,i} + p_{2,i}$$

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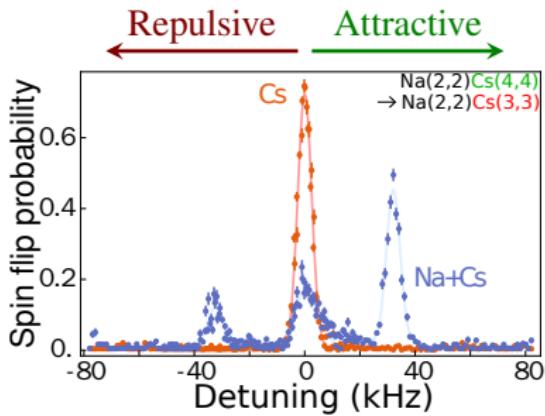
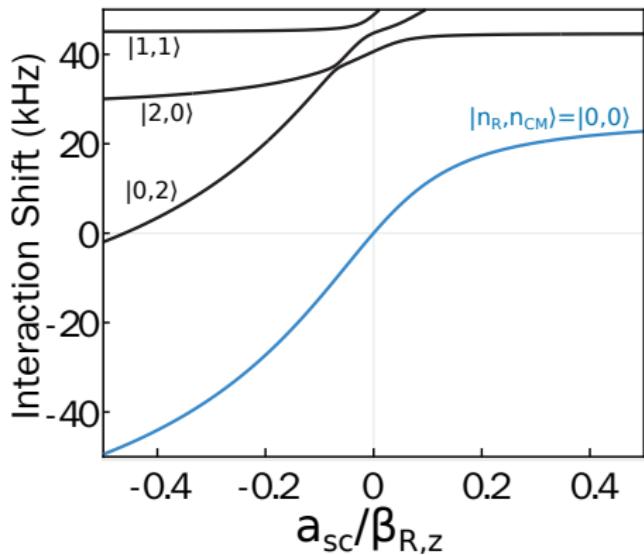
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Relative

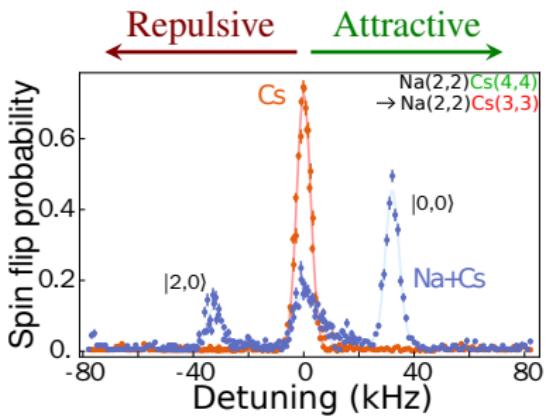
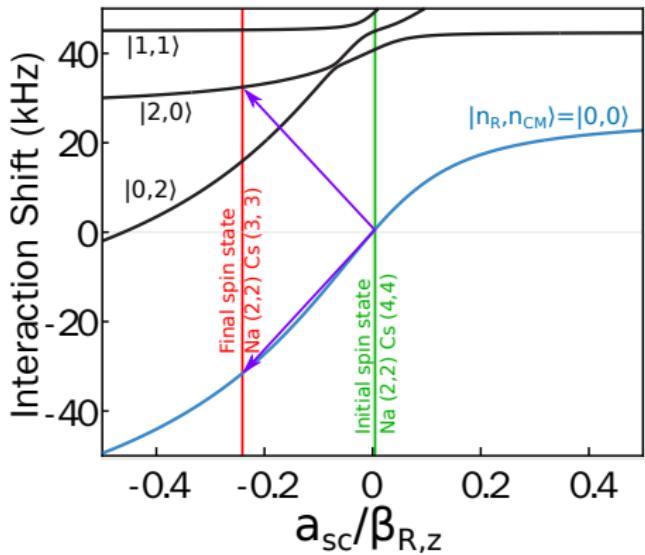
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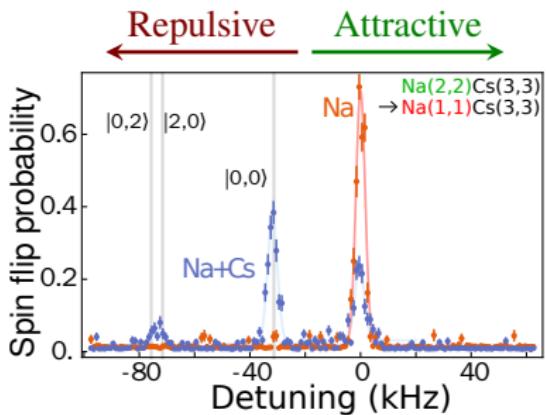
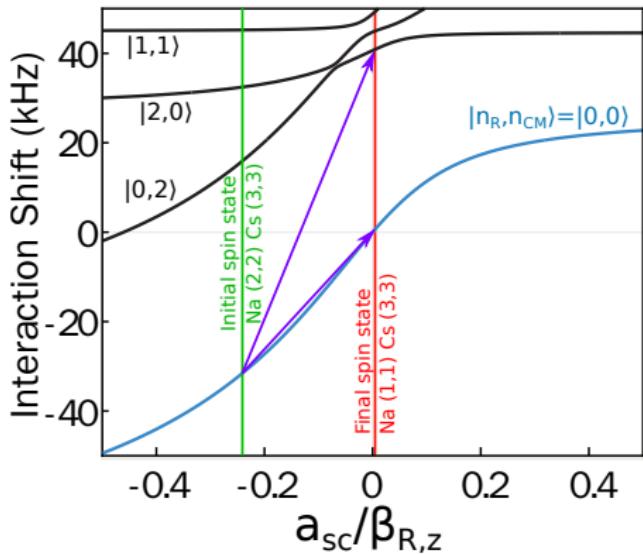
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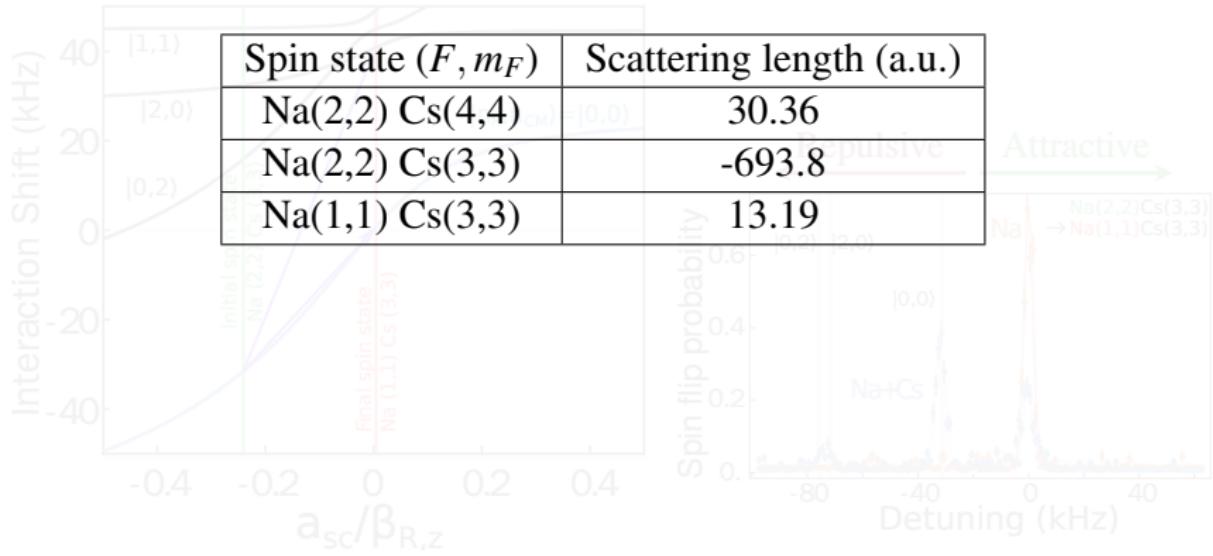
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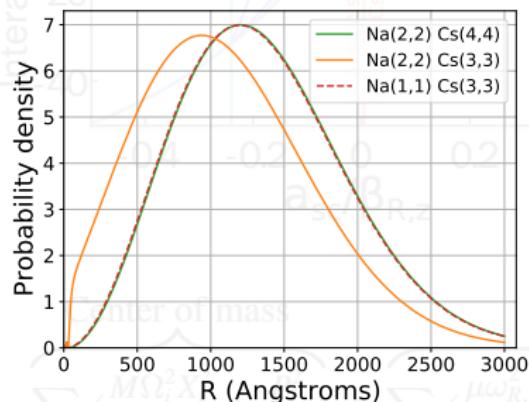
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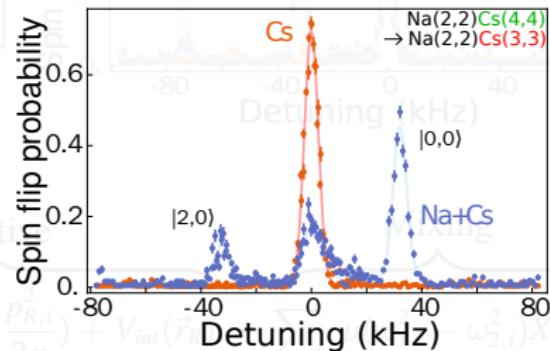
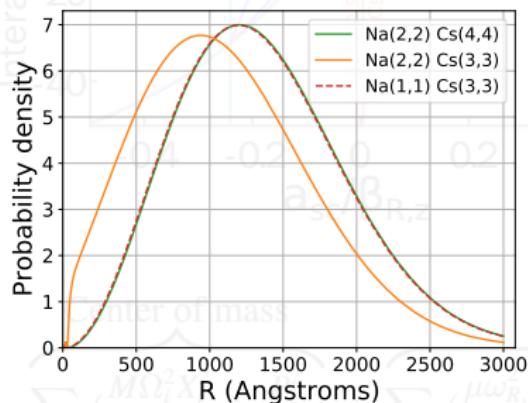
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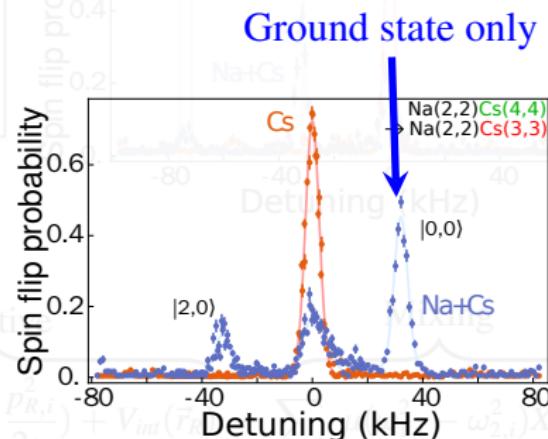
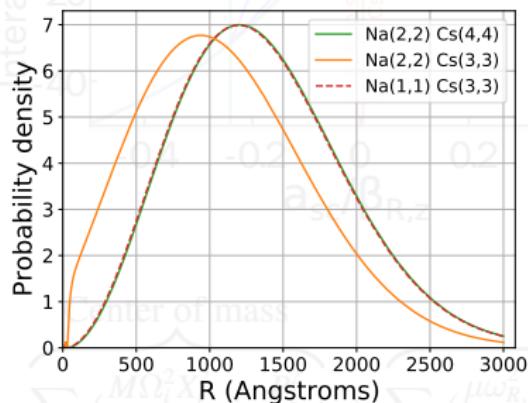


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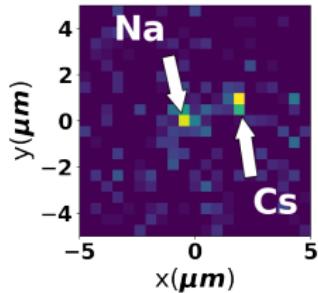
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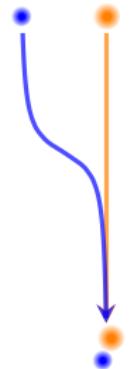
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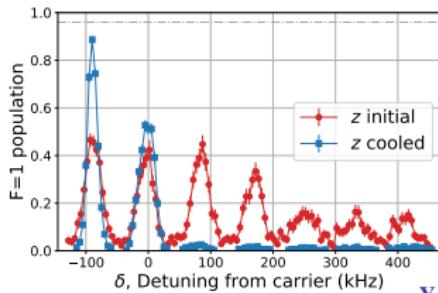


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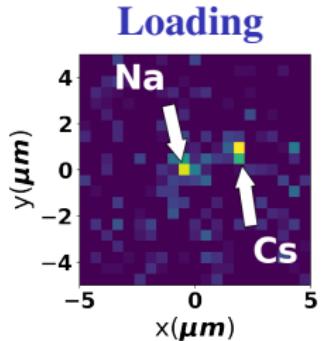


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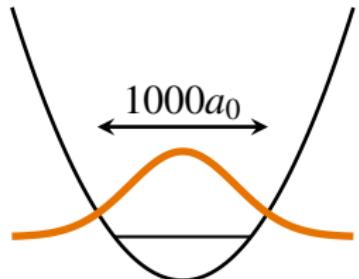
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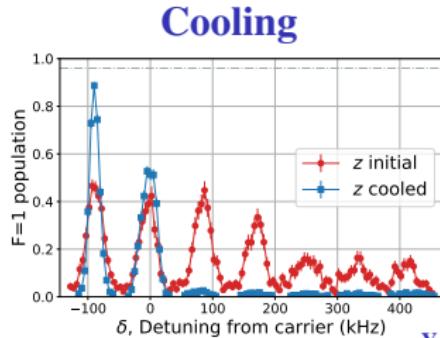


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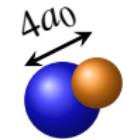


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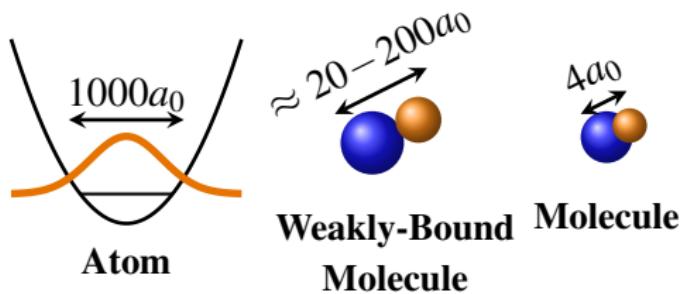


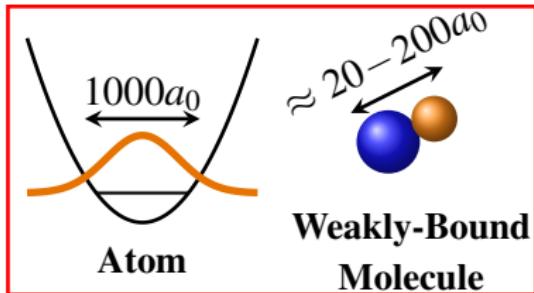
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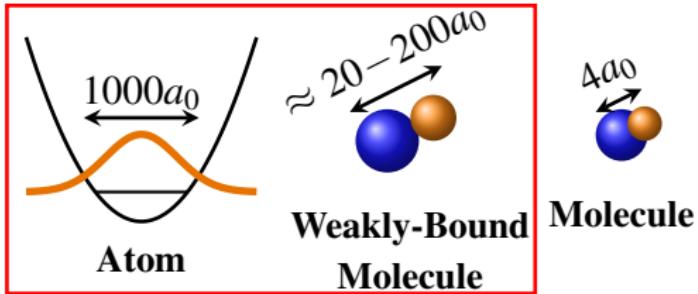


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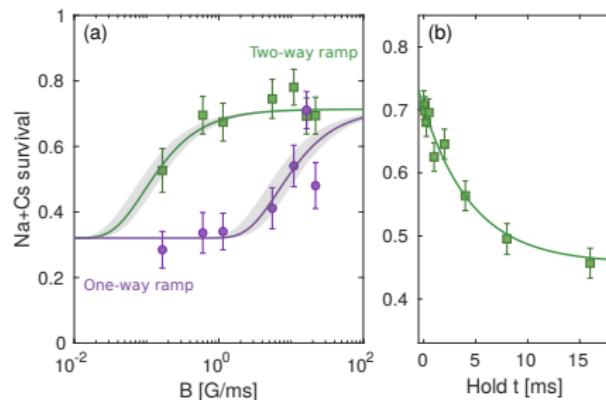




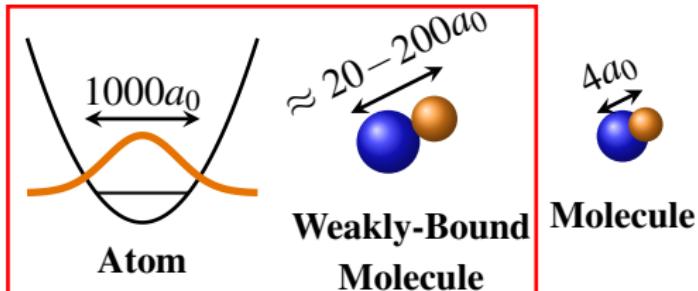
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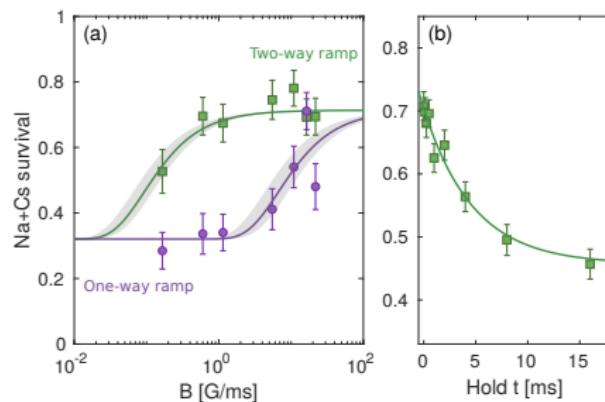
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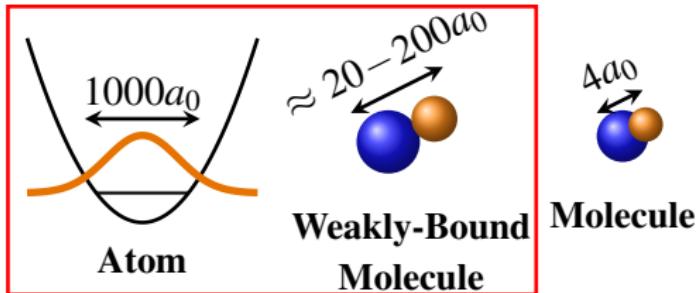


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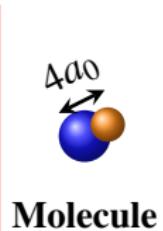
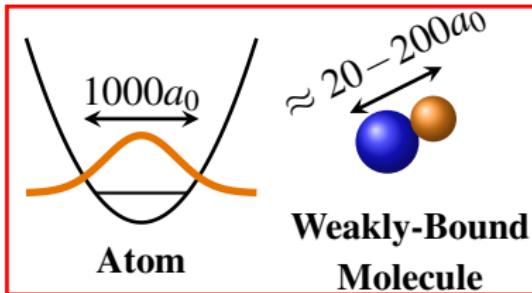
- Requires Feshbach resonance
- Usually large magnetic field

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- More general
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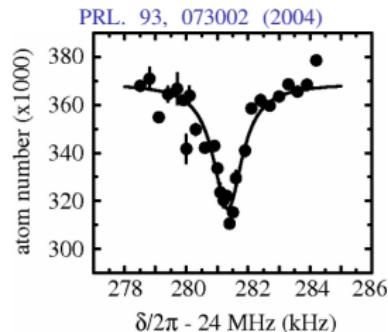


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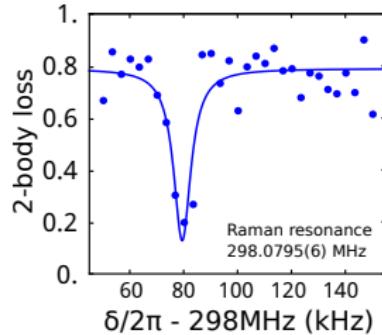
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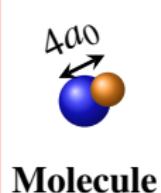
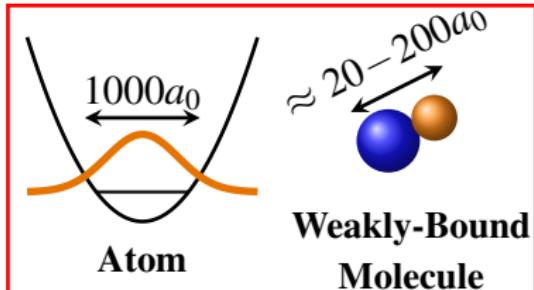
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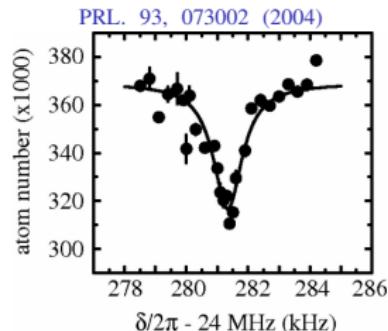
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Limitations so far

- Incoherent due to scattering
- Rely on narrow line optical transition

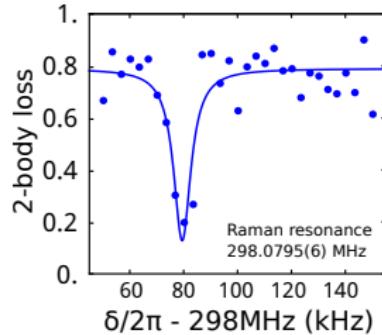
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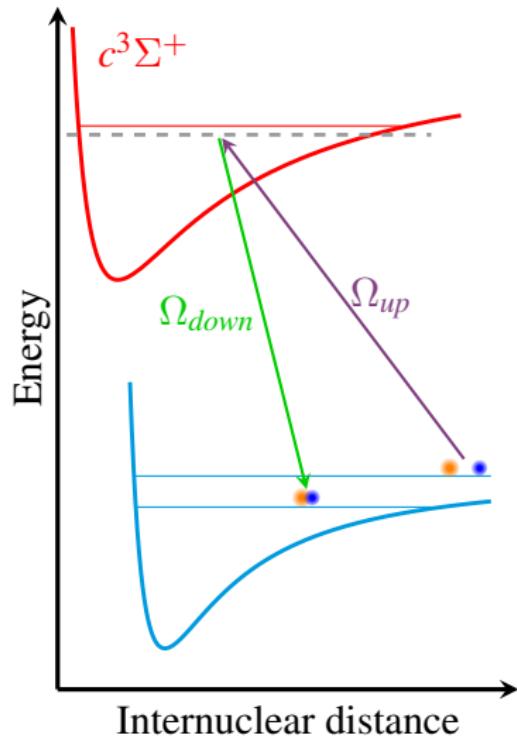


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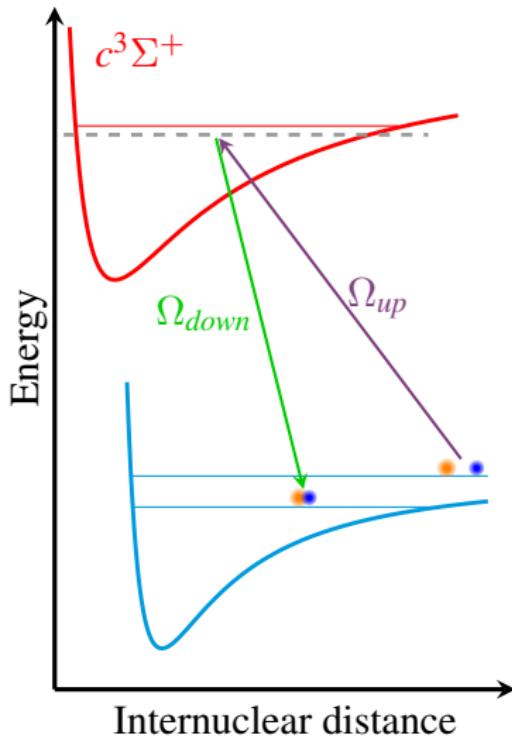
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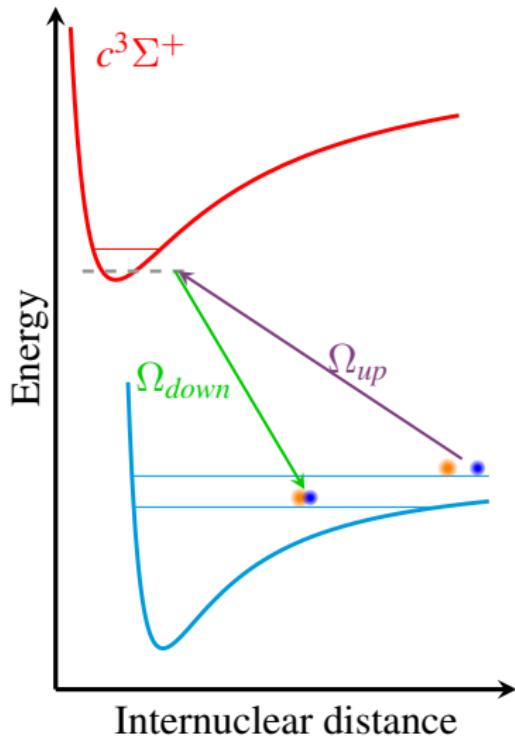
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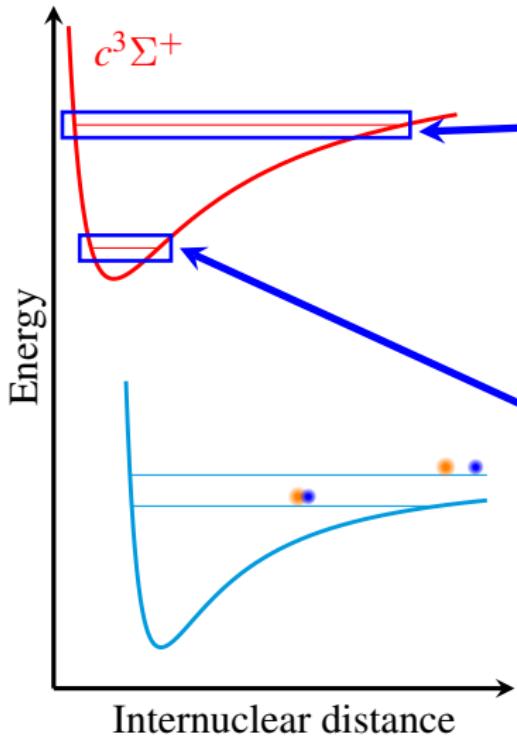
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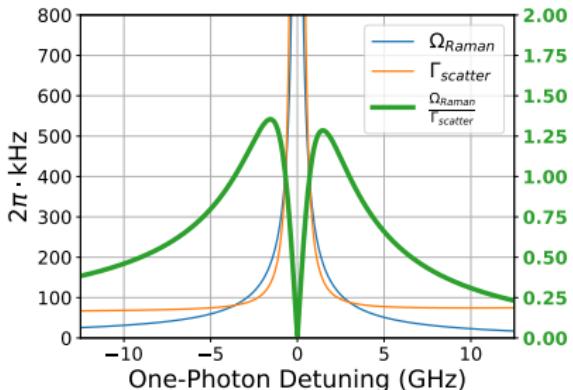
- Weaker coupling
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- Allow larger detuning
- Slower scattering

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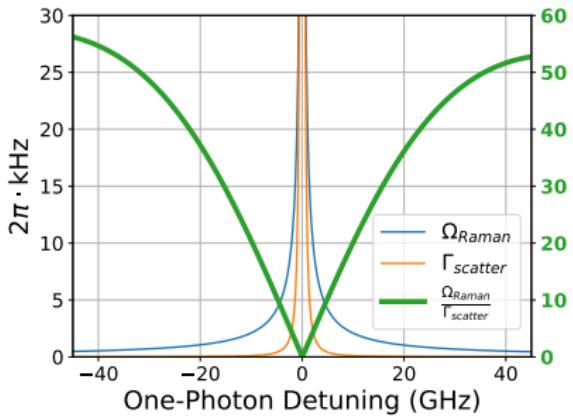
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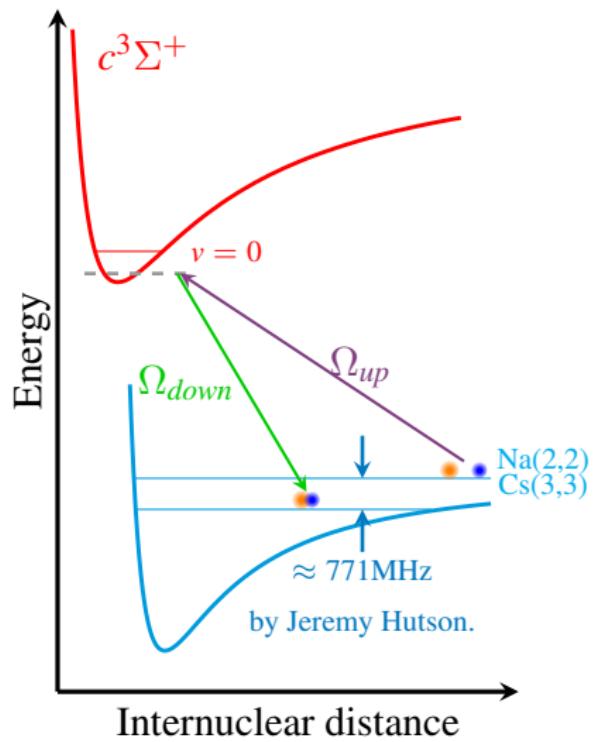
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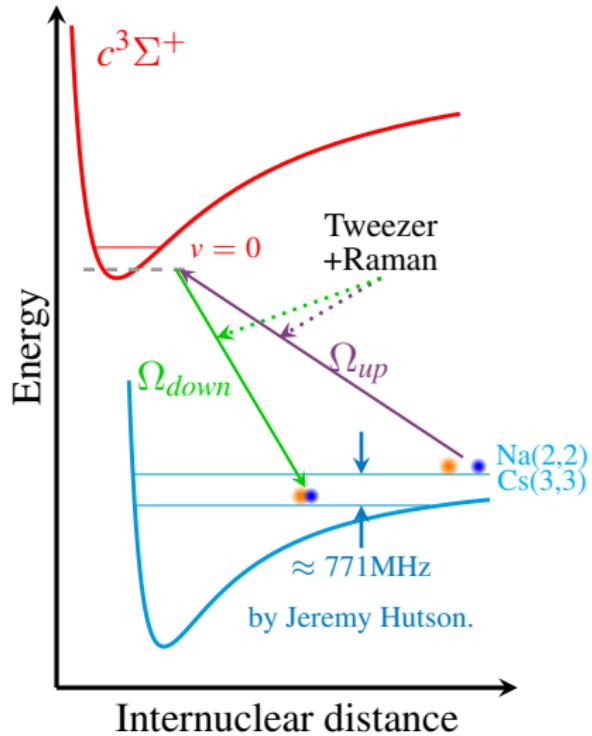
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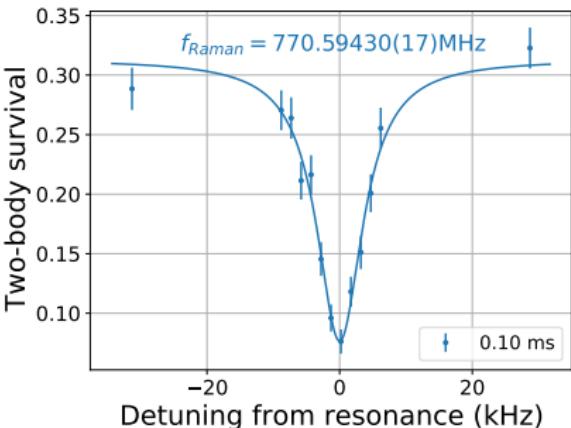
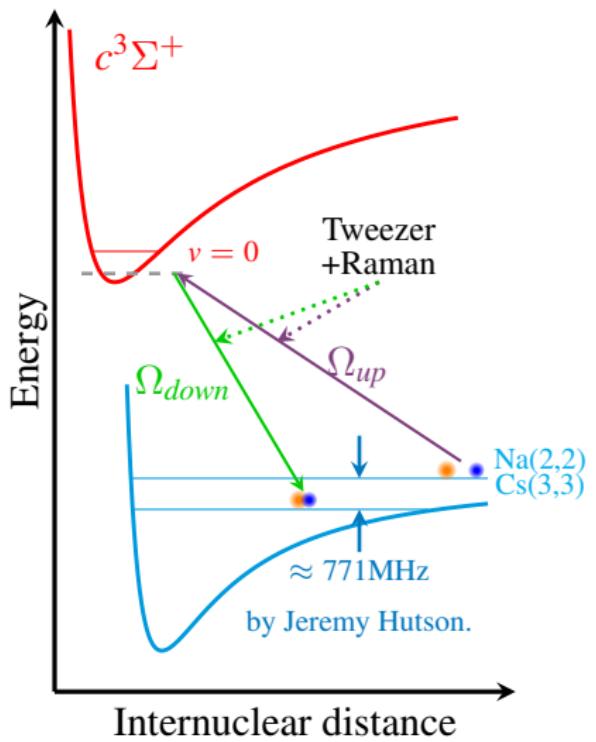
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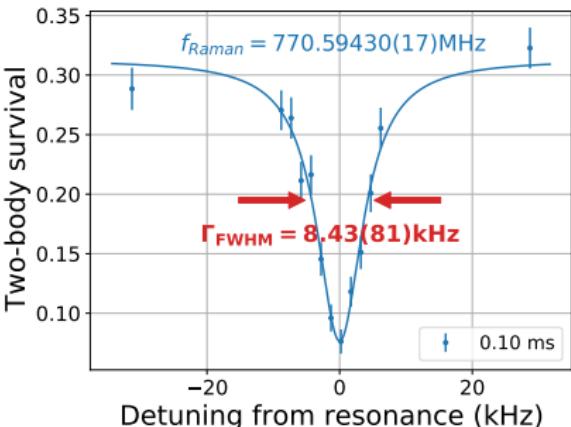
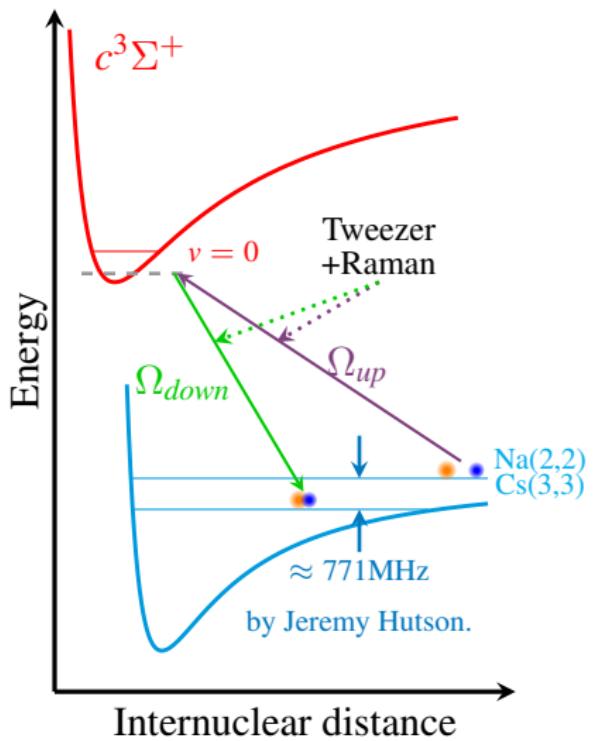
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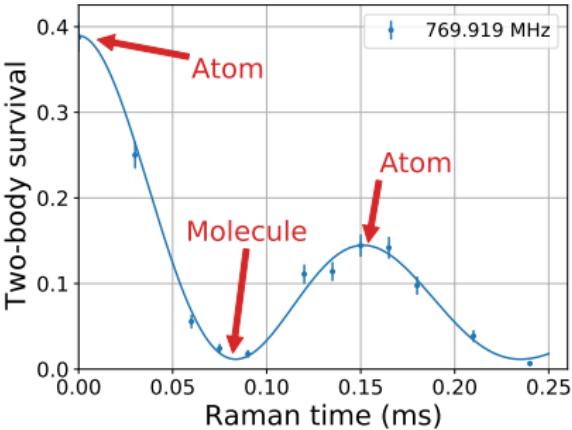
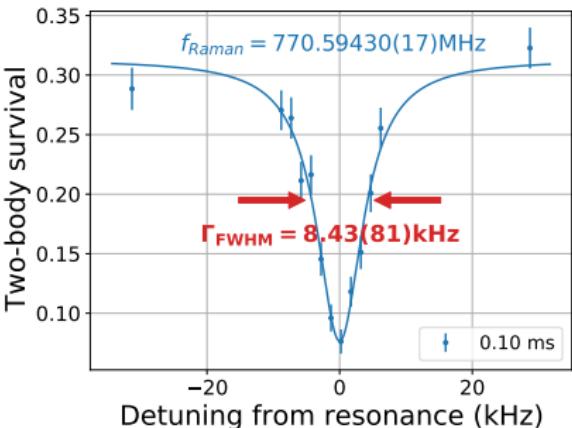
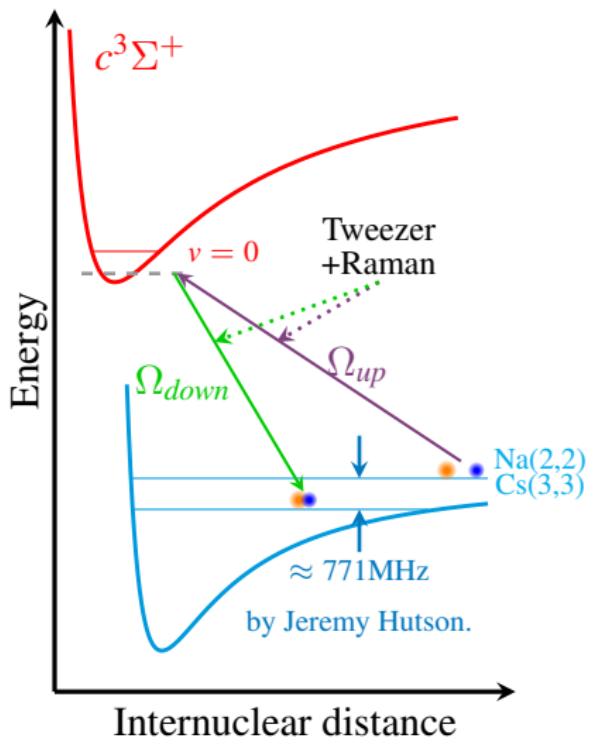
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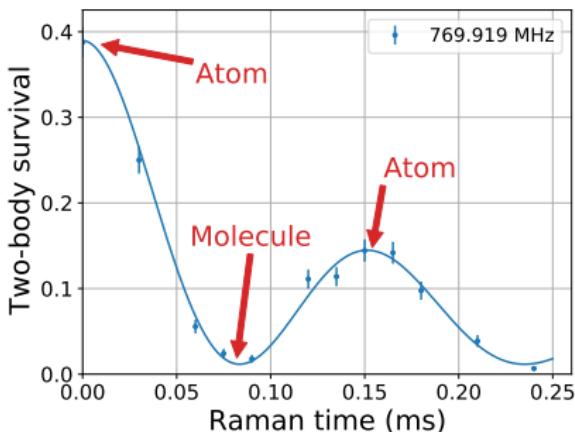
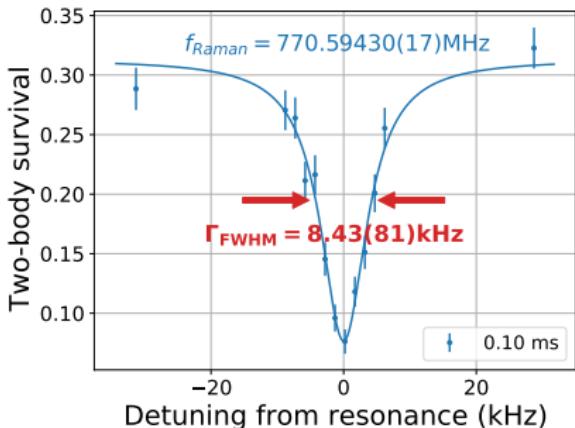
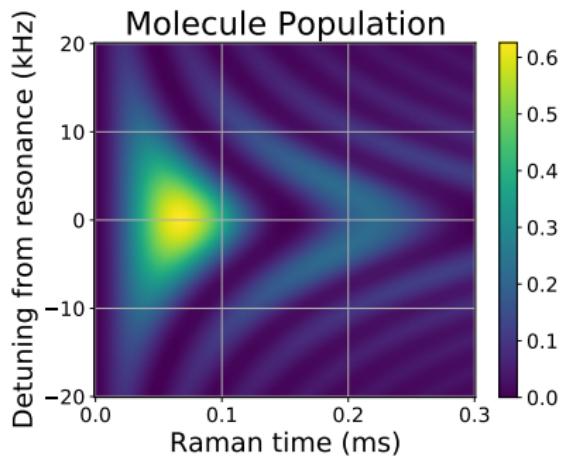
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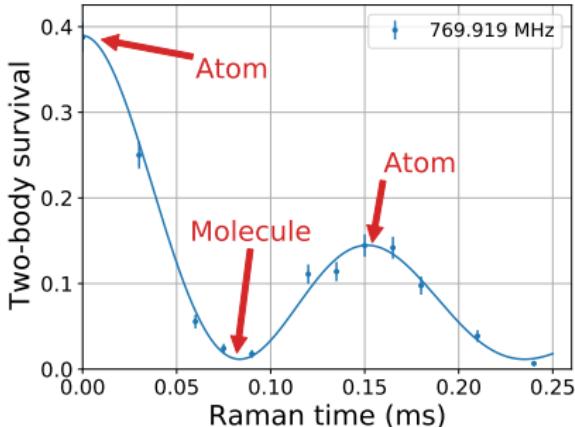
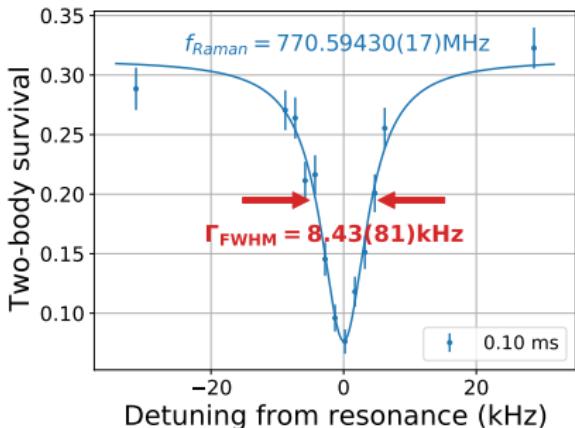
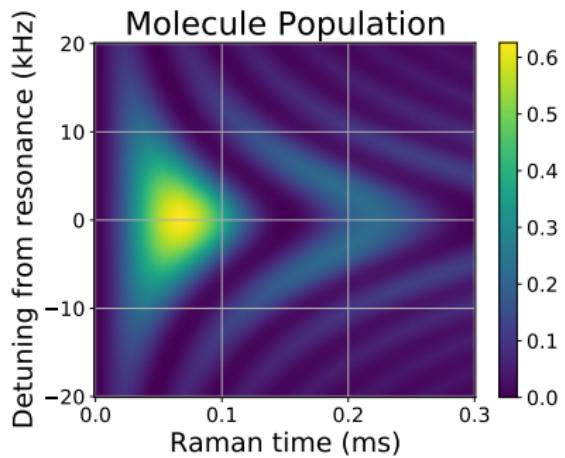
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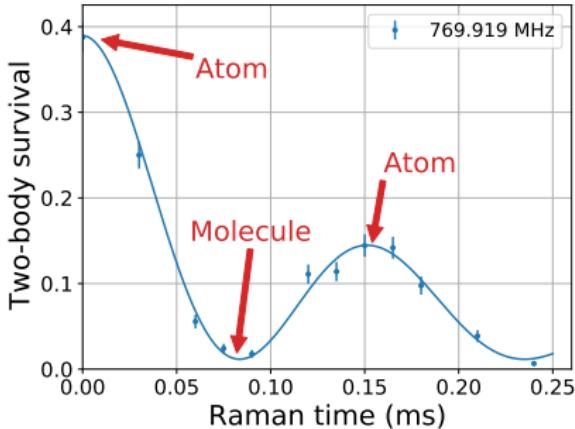
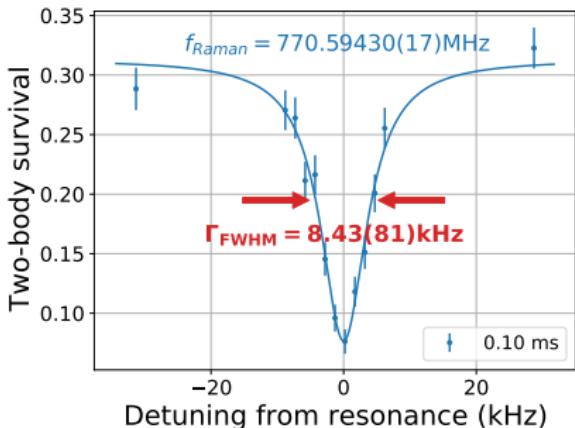
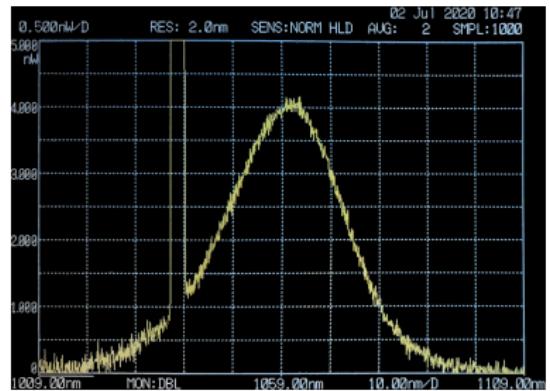
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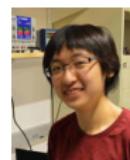
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Theory



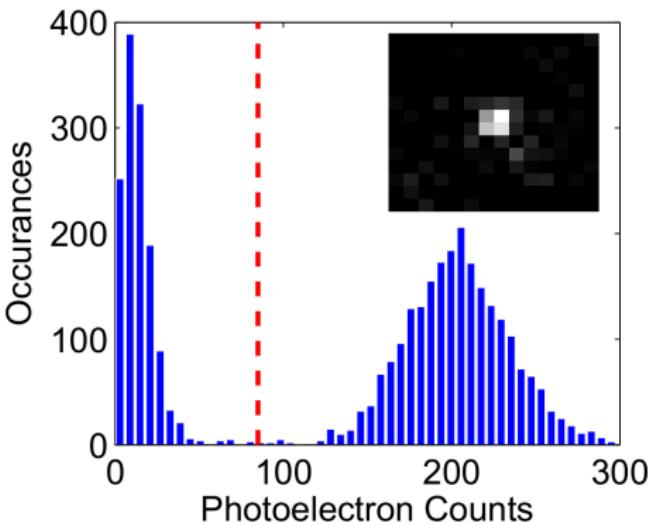
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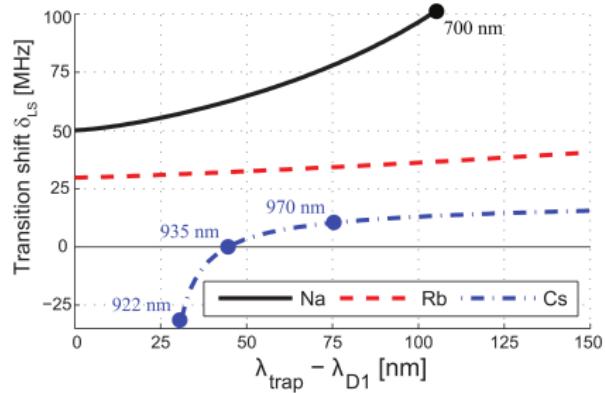
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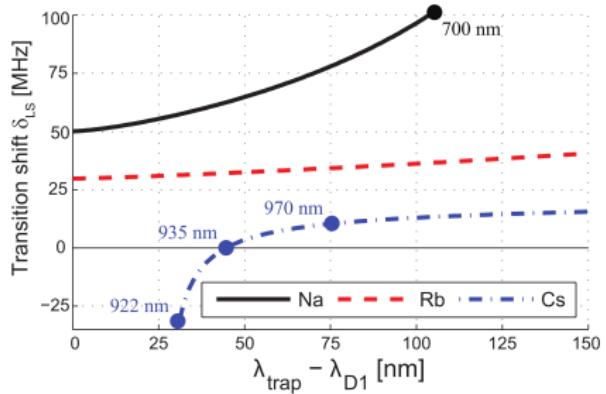
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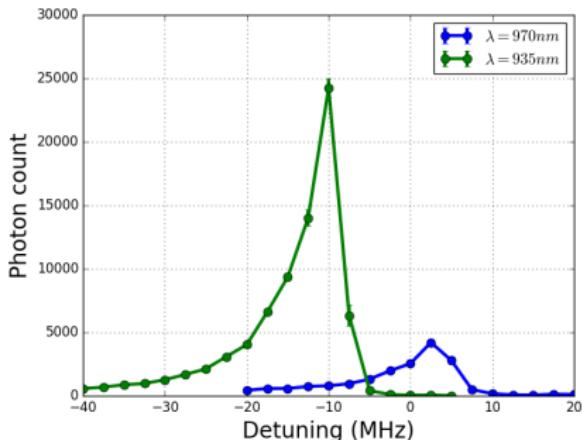
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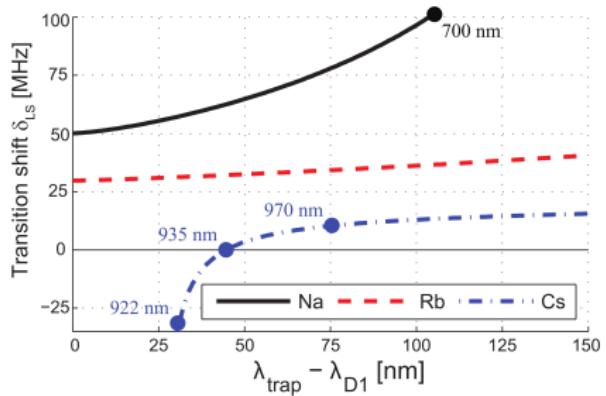
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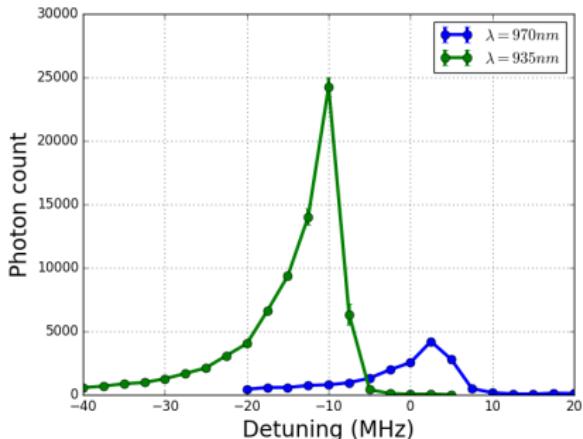
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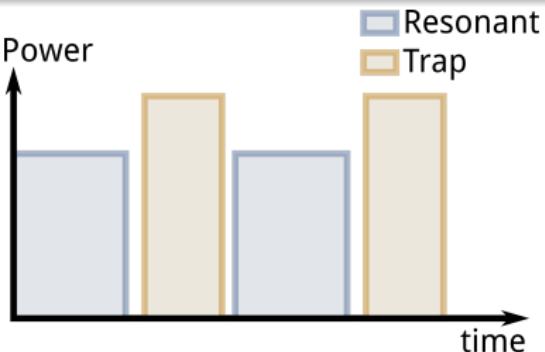
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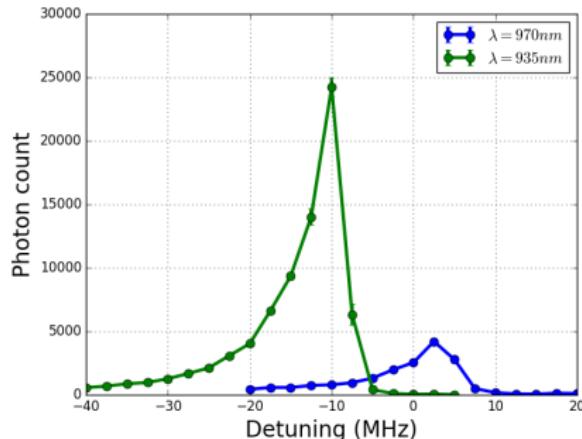
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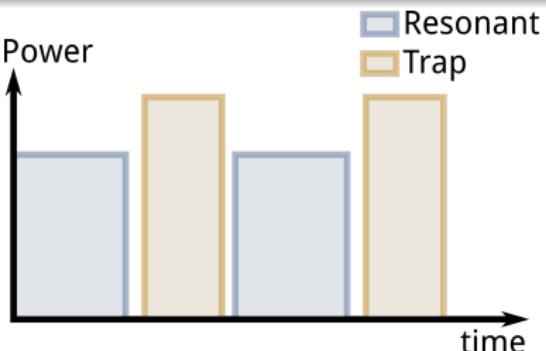
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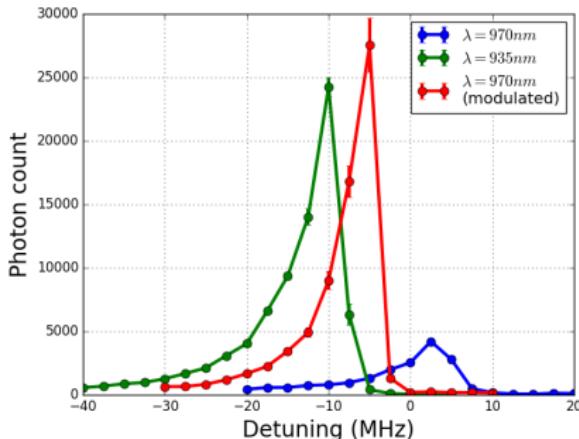
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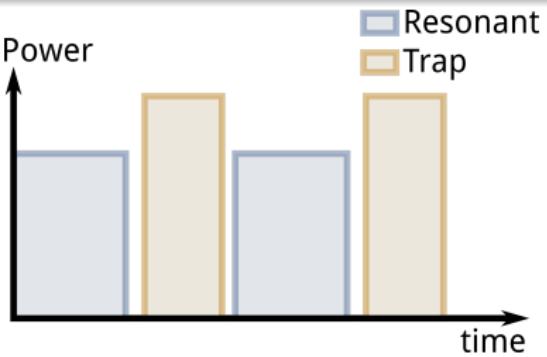
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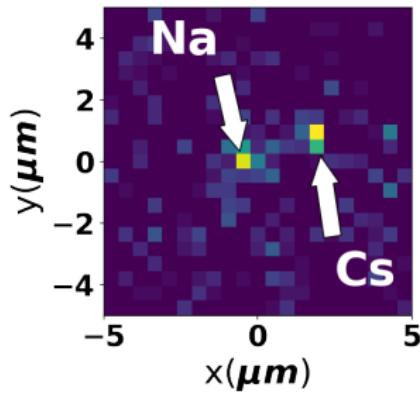
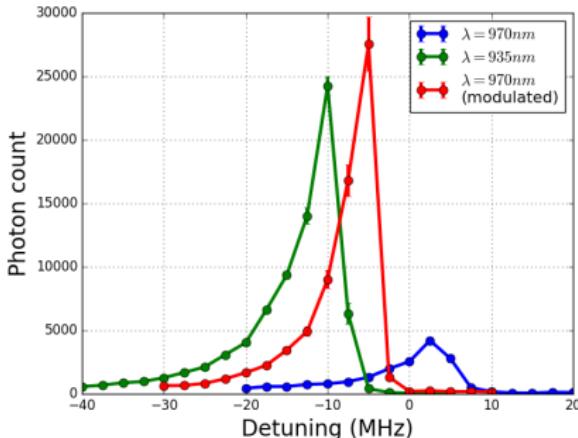
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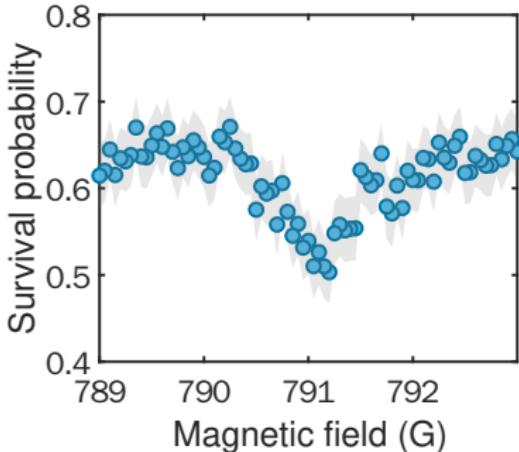
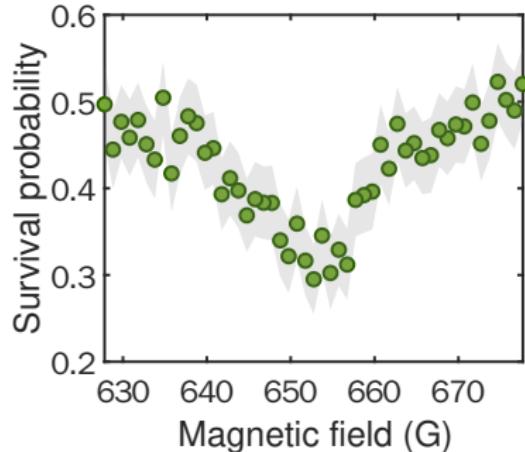
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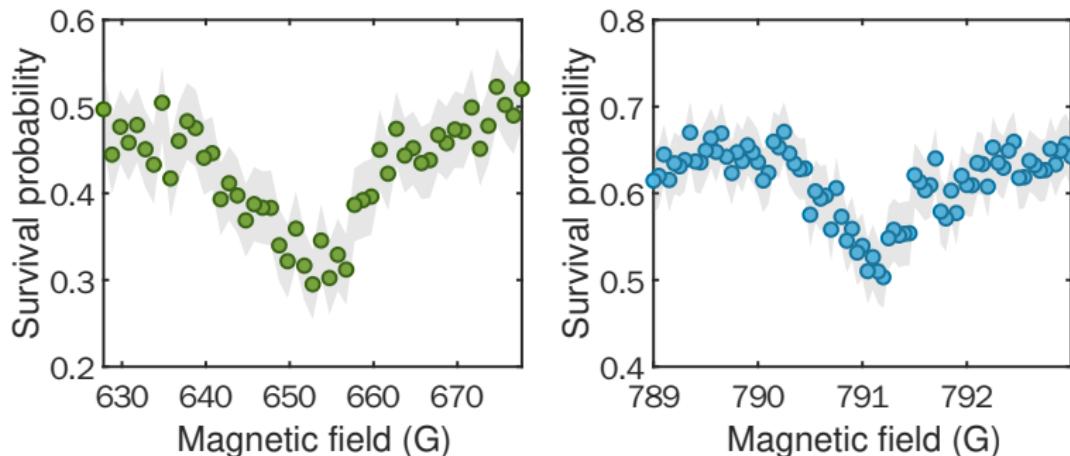
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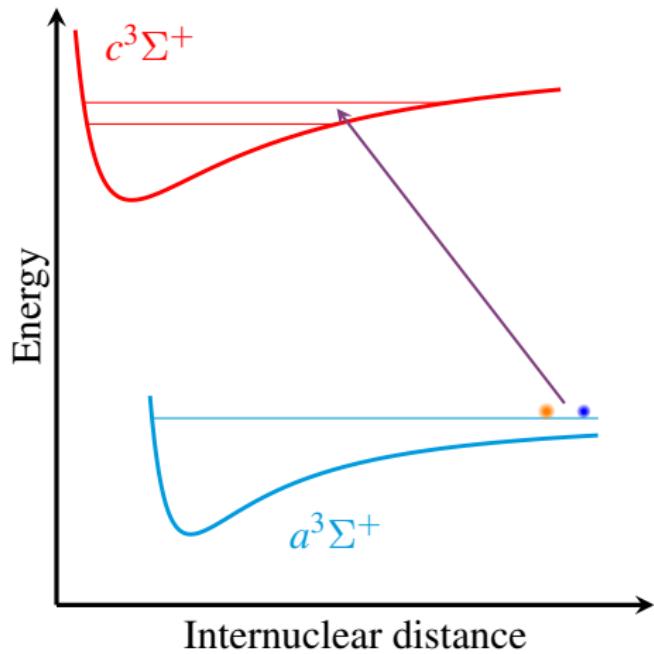
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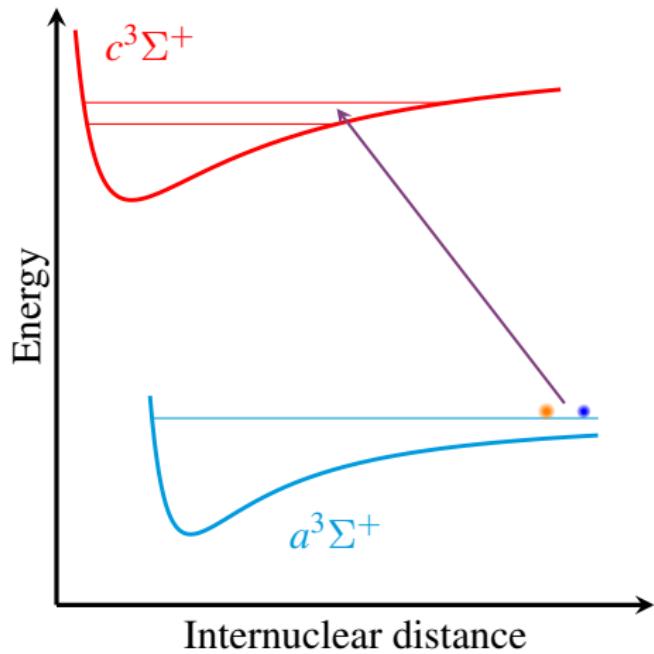
	<i>s</i> -wave	<i>p</i> -wave
Predicted (based on interaction shift) ¹	663 G	799 G
Measured	652(3) G	791.2(2) G

¹In collaboration with Bo Gao

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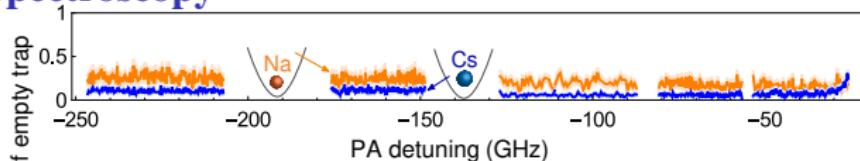
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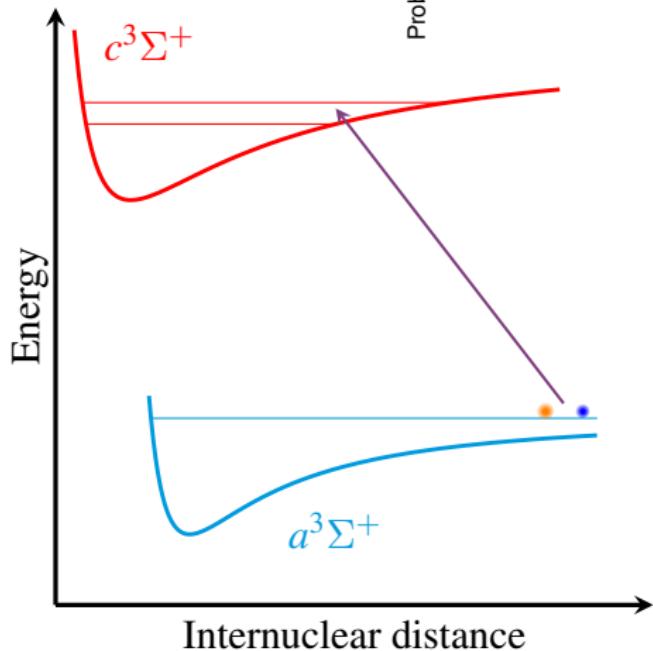
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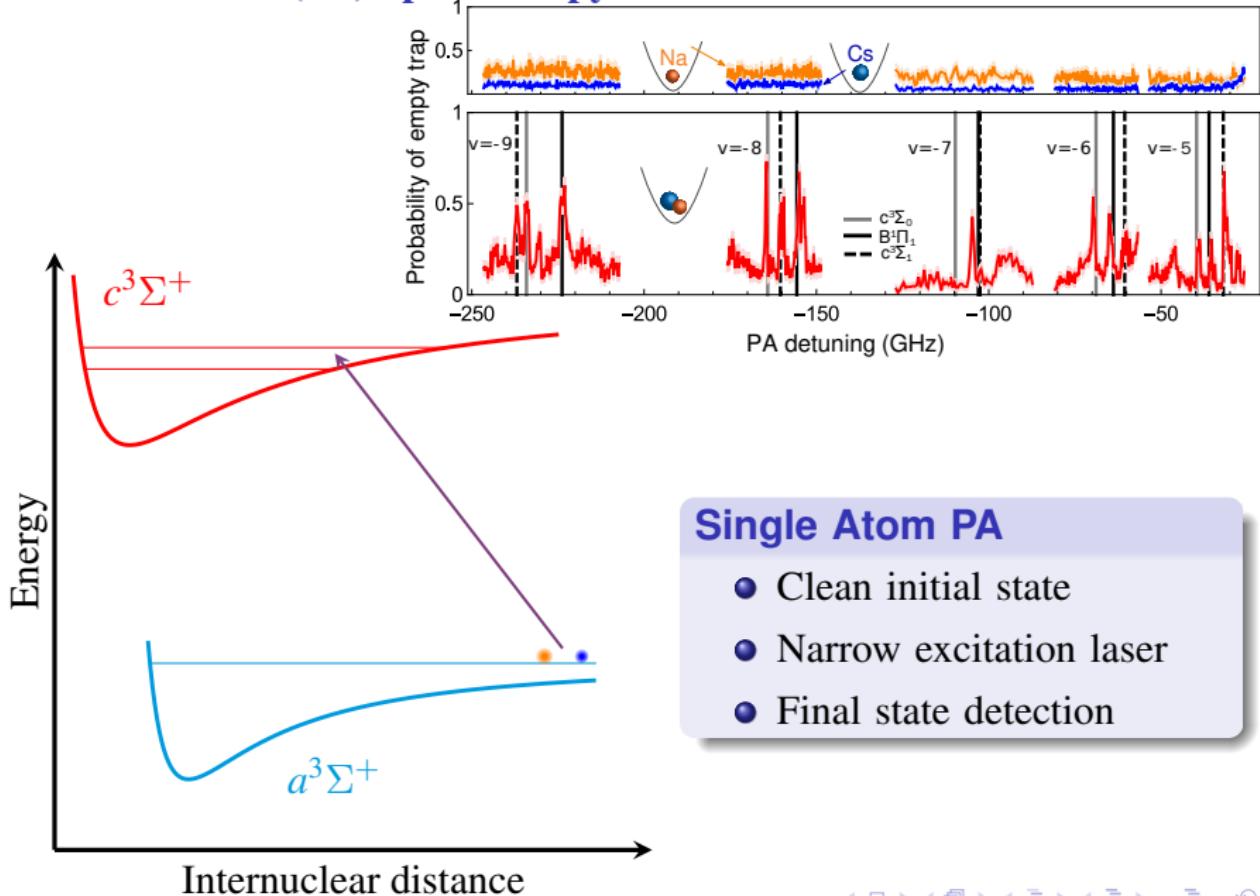
Probability of empty trap



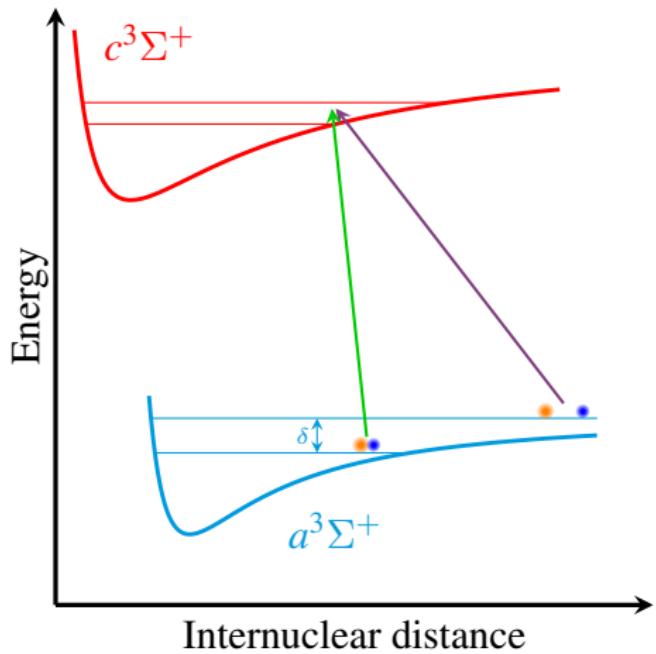
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