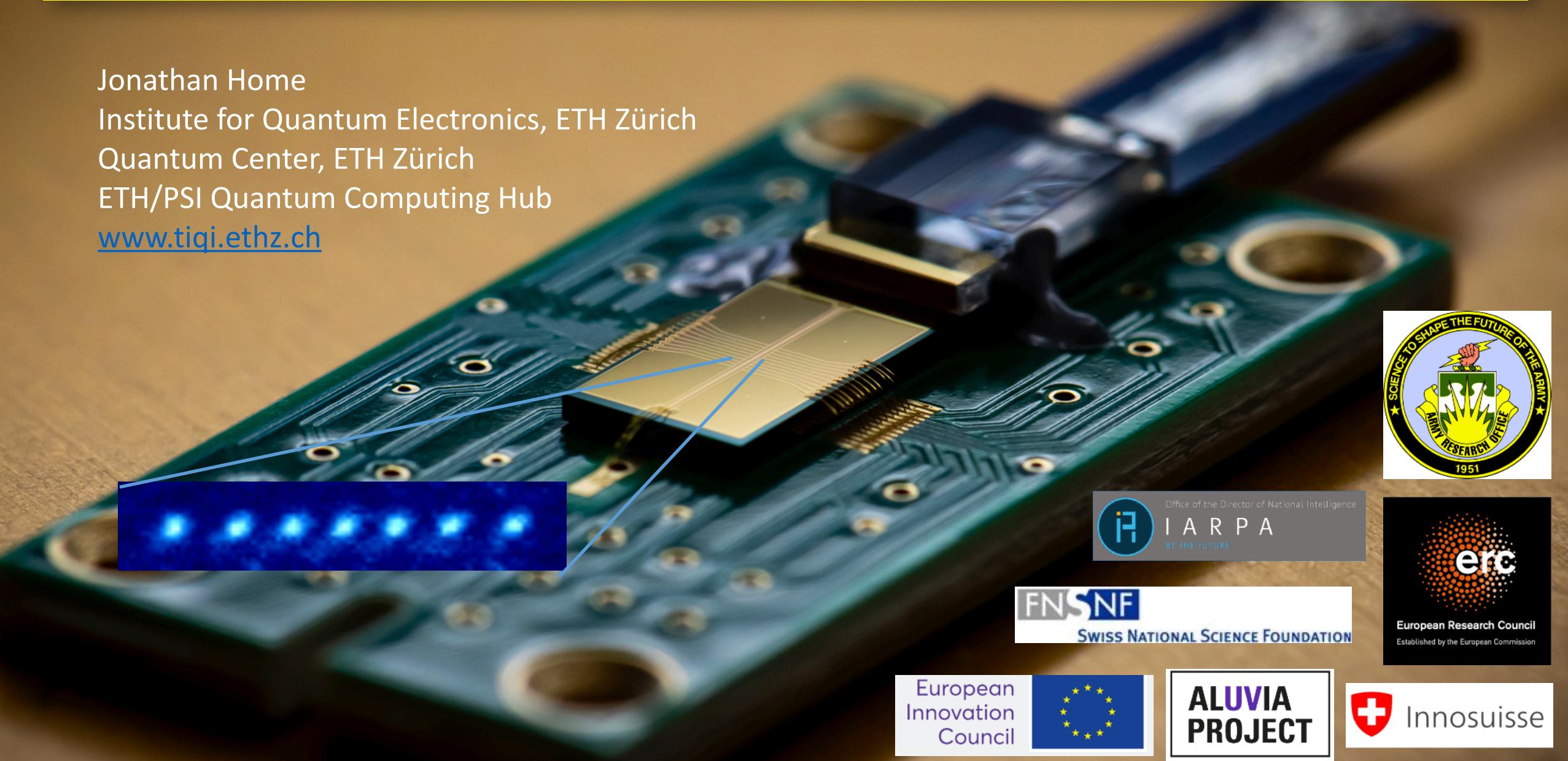
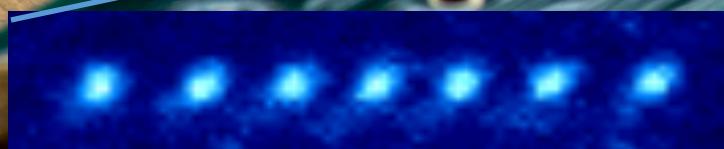


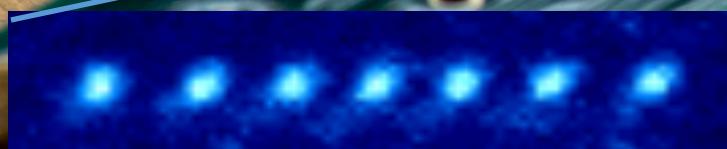
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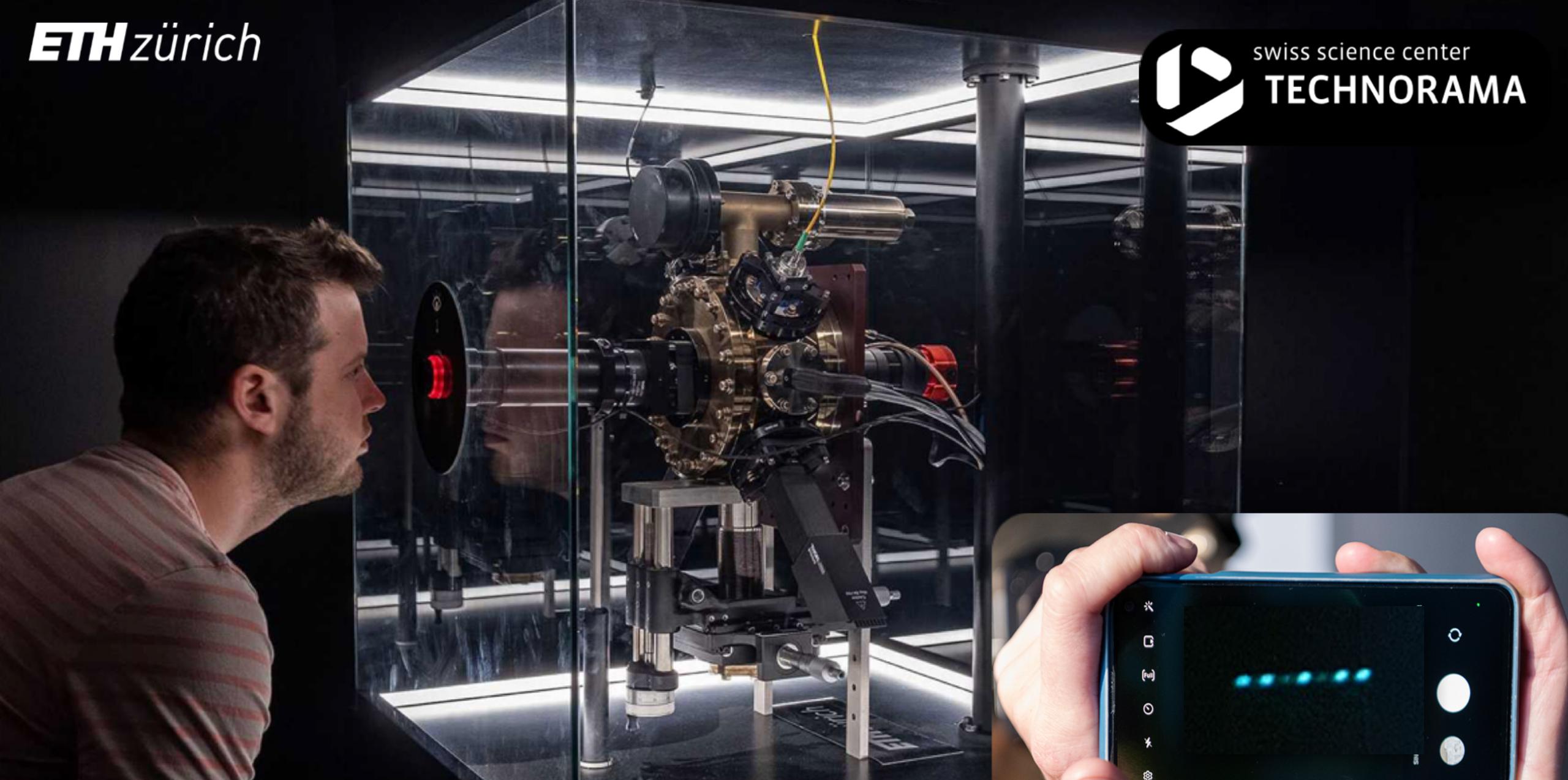
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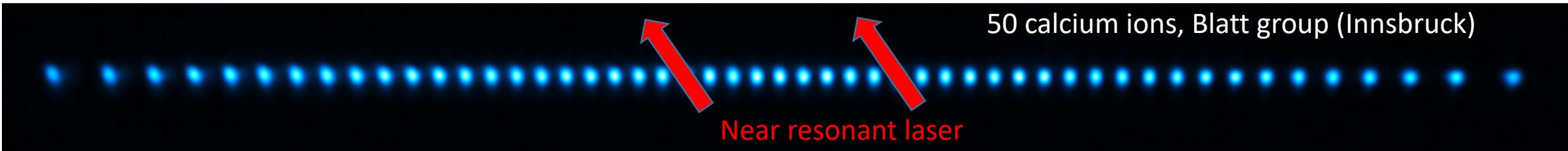




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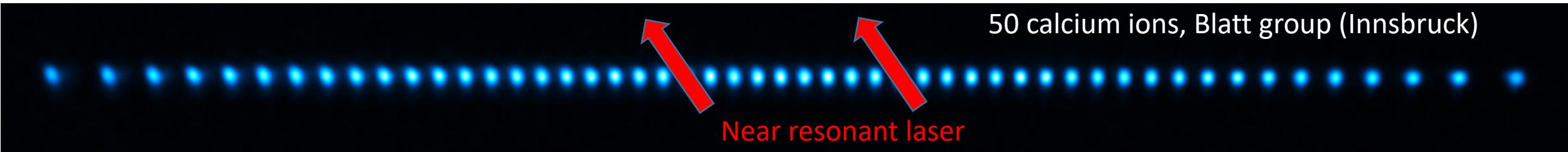
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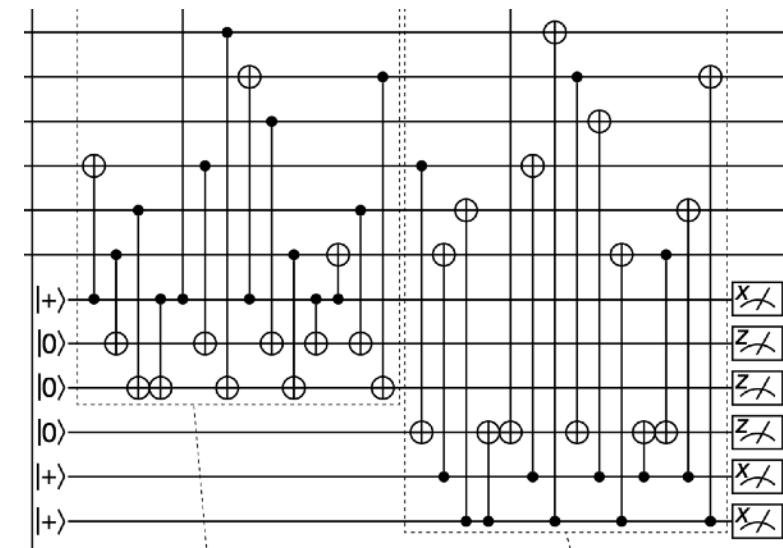
## NISQ

- quantum simulation experiments etc. with 50 qubits
- Variational algorithms with up to 20 qubits
- Basic error correction gadgets
- All-to-all connectivity, flexible



## Error-Corrected

Fault-tolerant gate set on logical qubit (Innsbruck, Aachen)  
Postler et al. Nature 605, 675–680 (2022)



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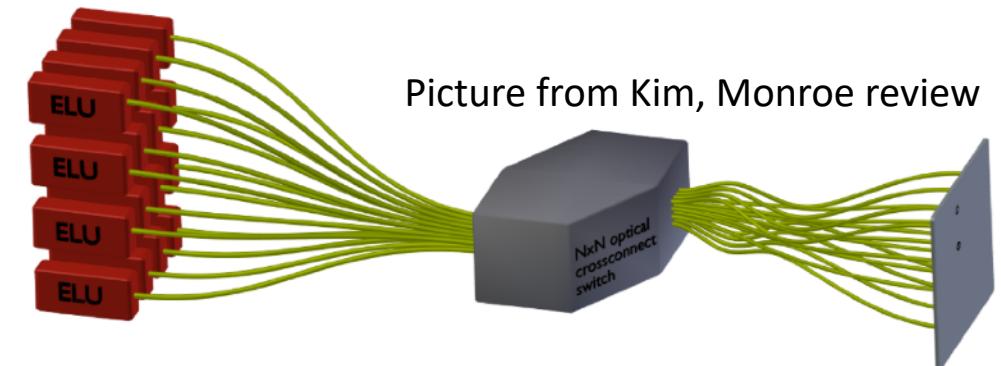
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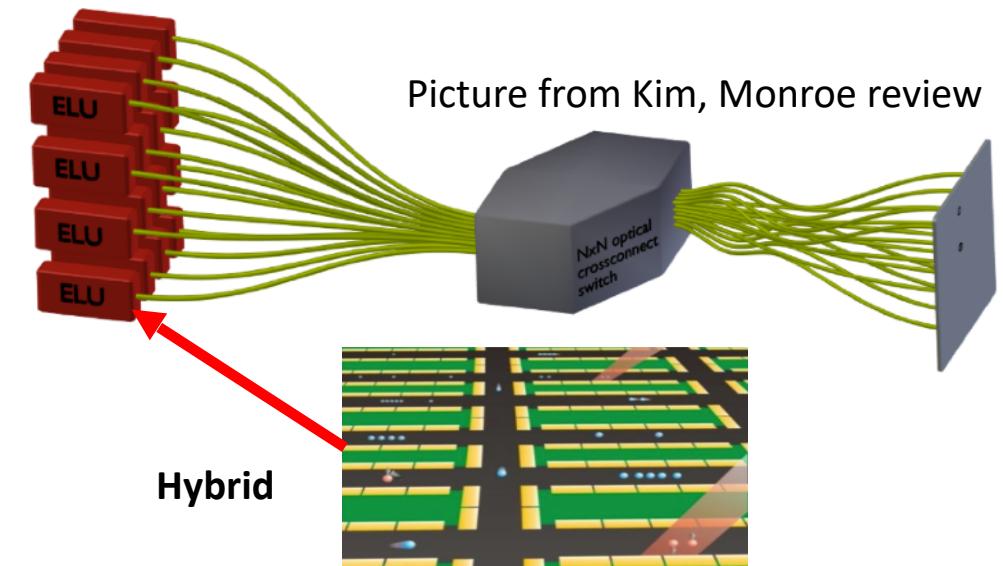
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Picture from Kim, Monroe review

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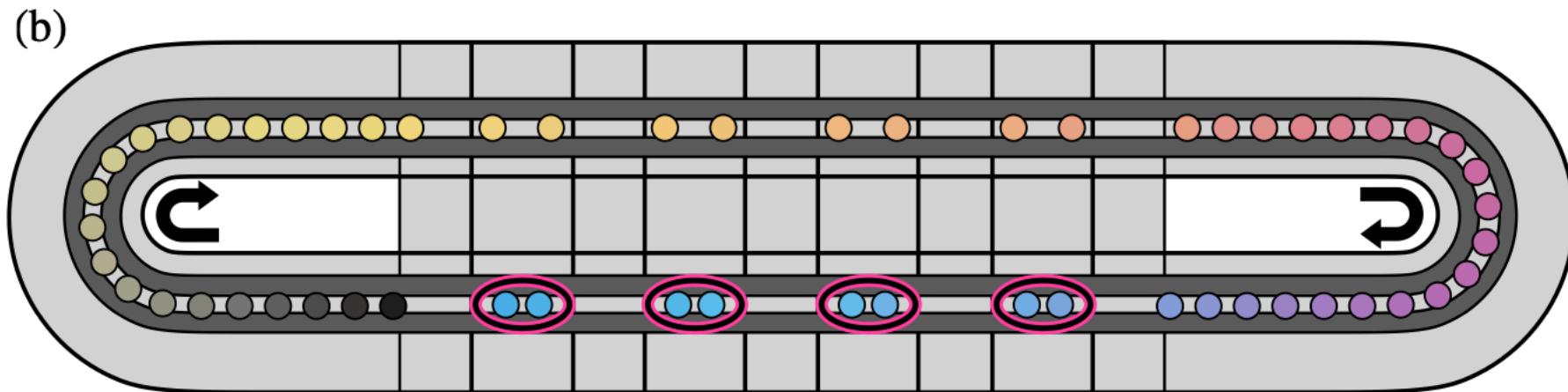
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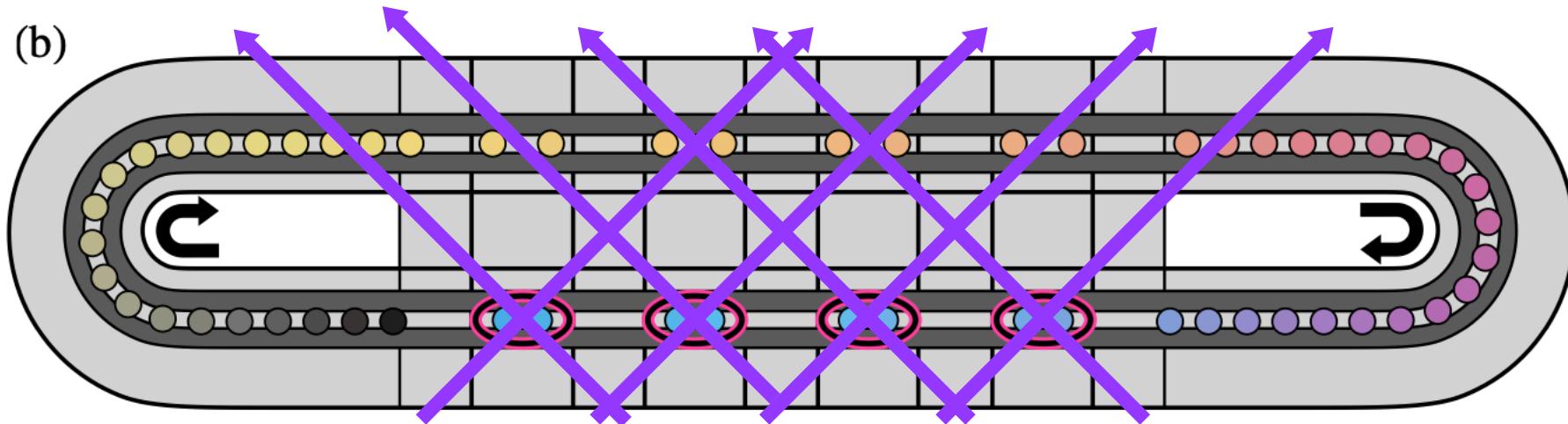
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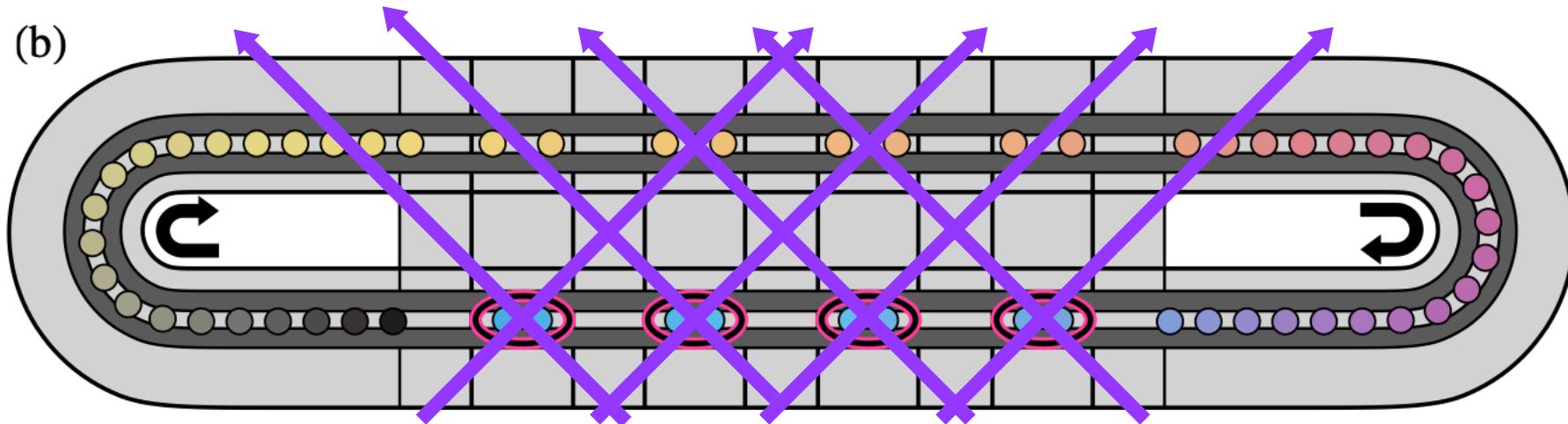
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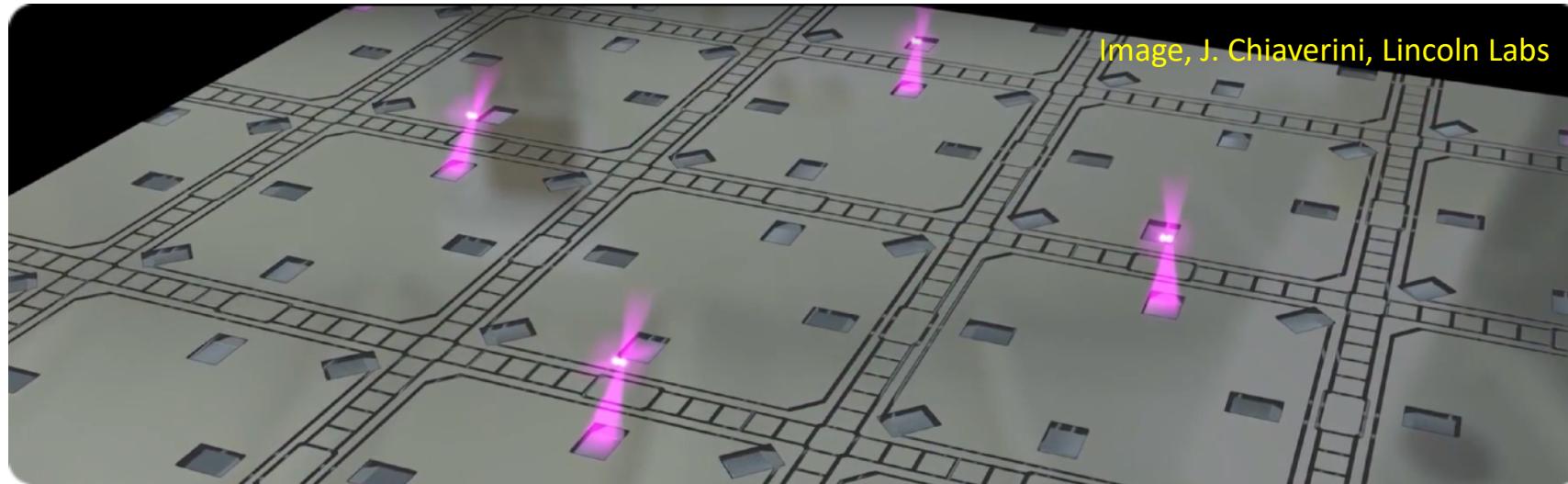
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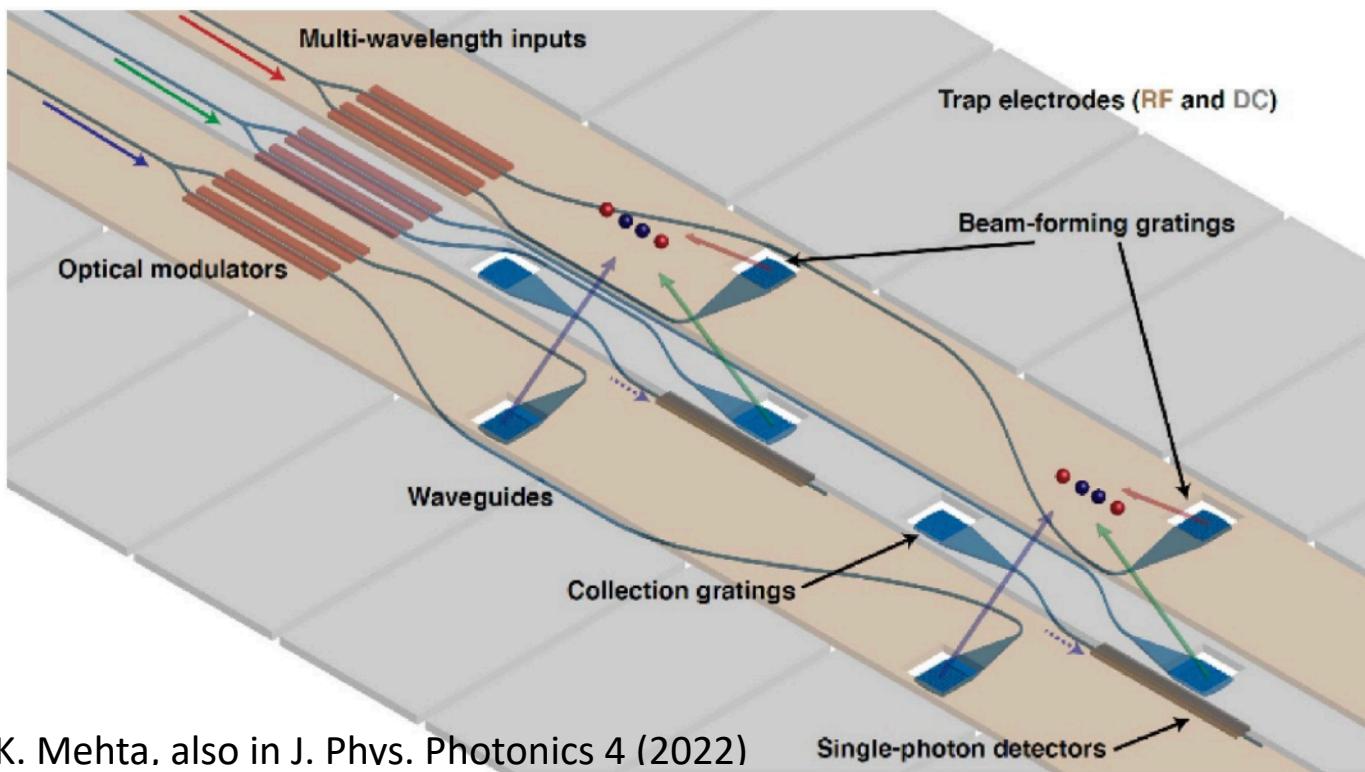
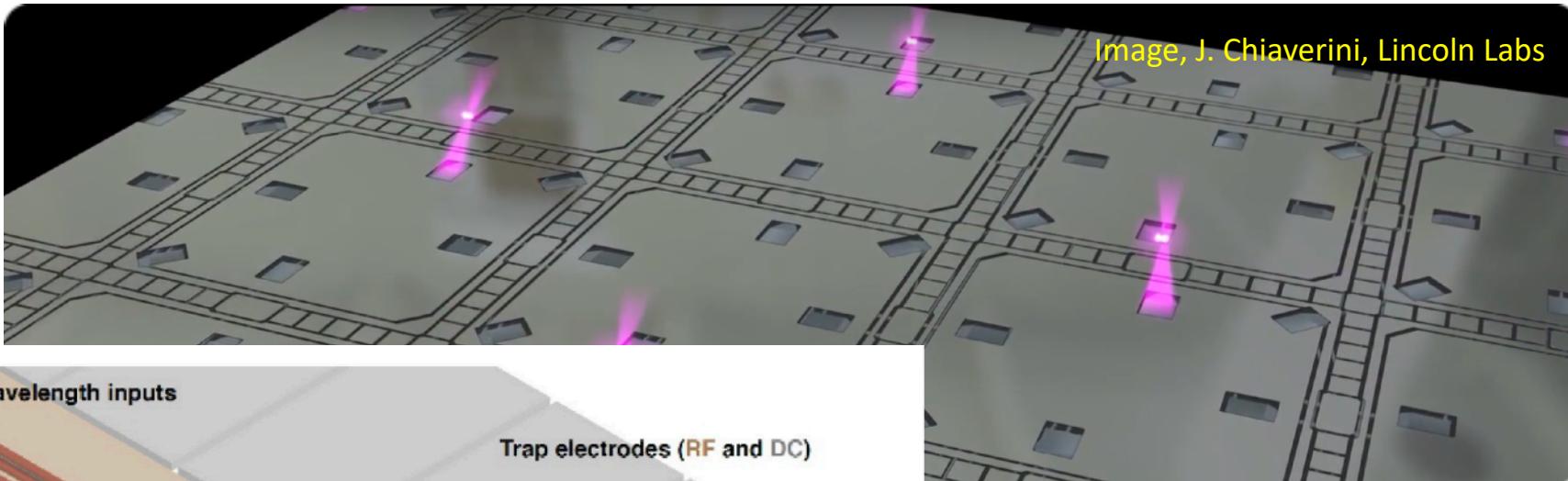
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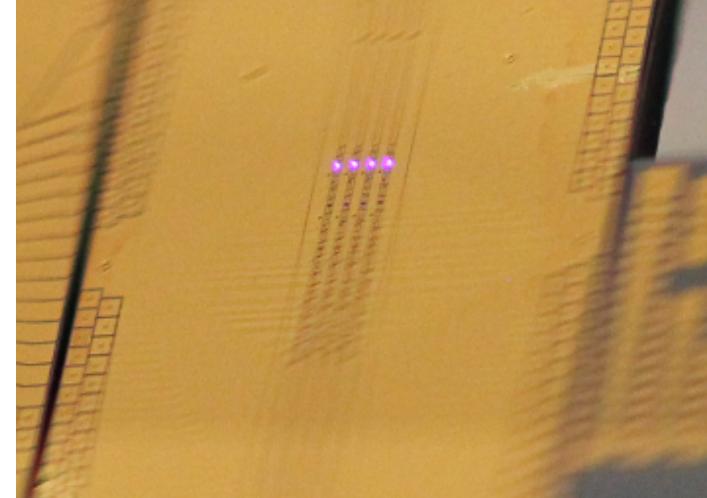
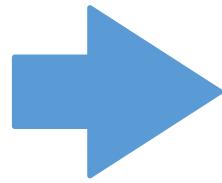
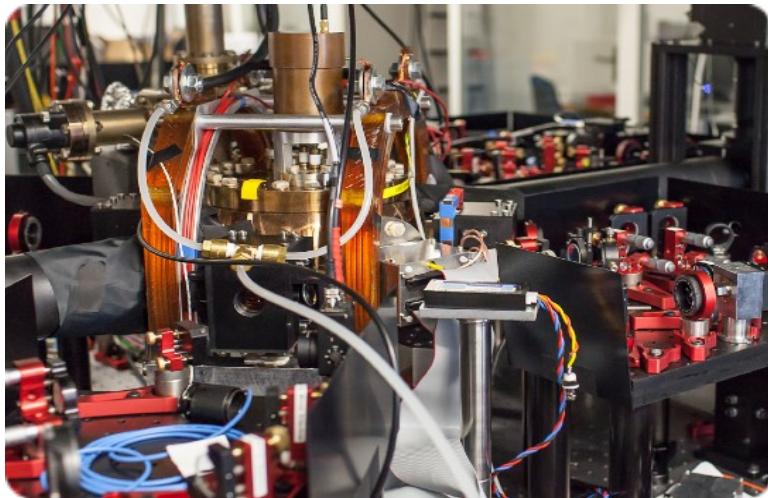
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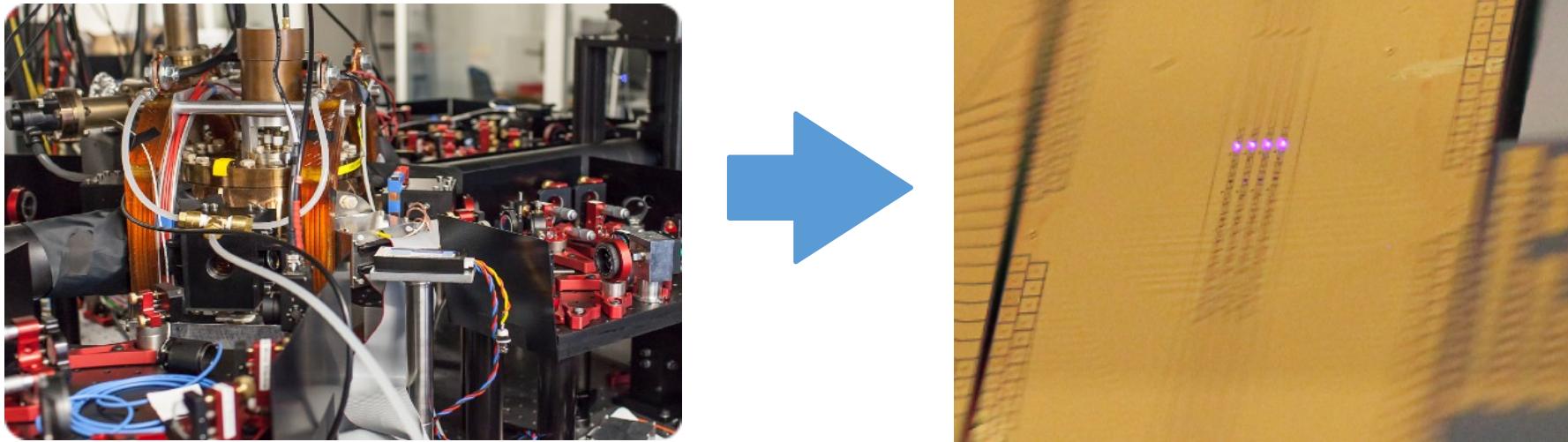


- Integrated light delivery (multiple colours)
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- Compatibility with high voltage RF (100 V, 40 MHz)
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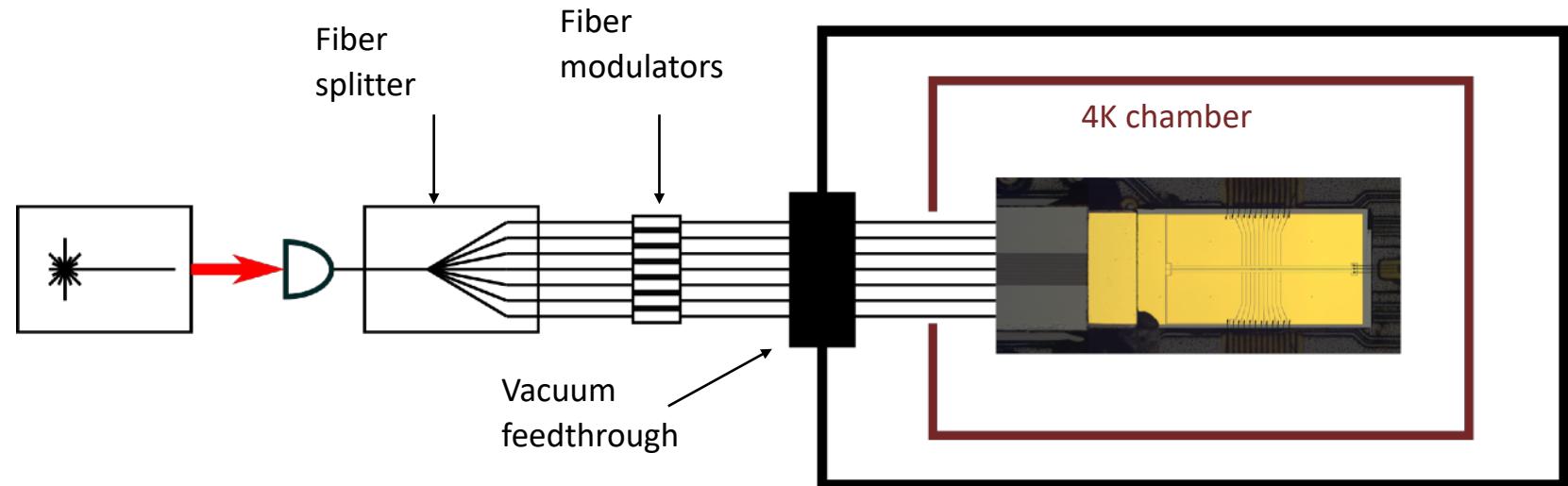
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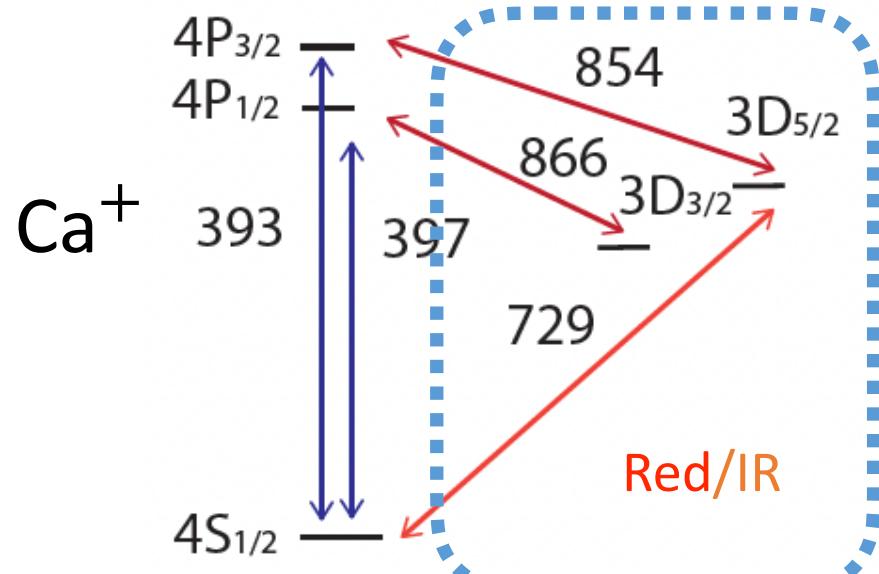


First steps: passive chips,  
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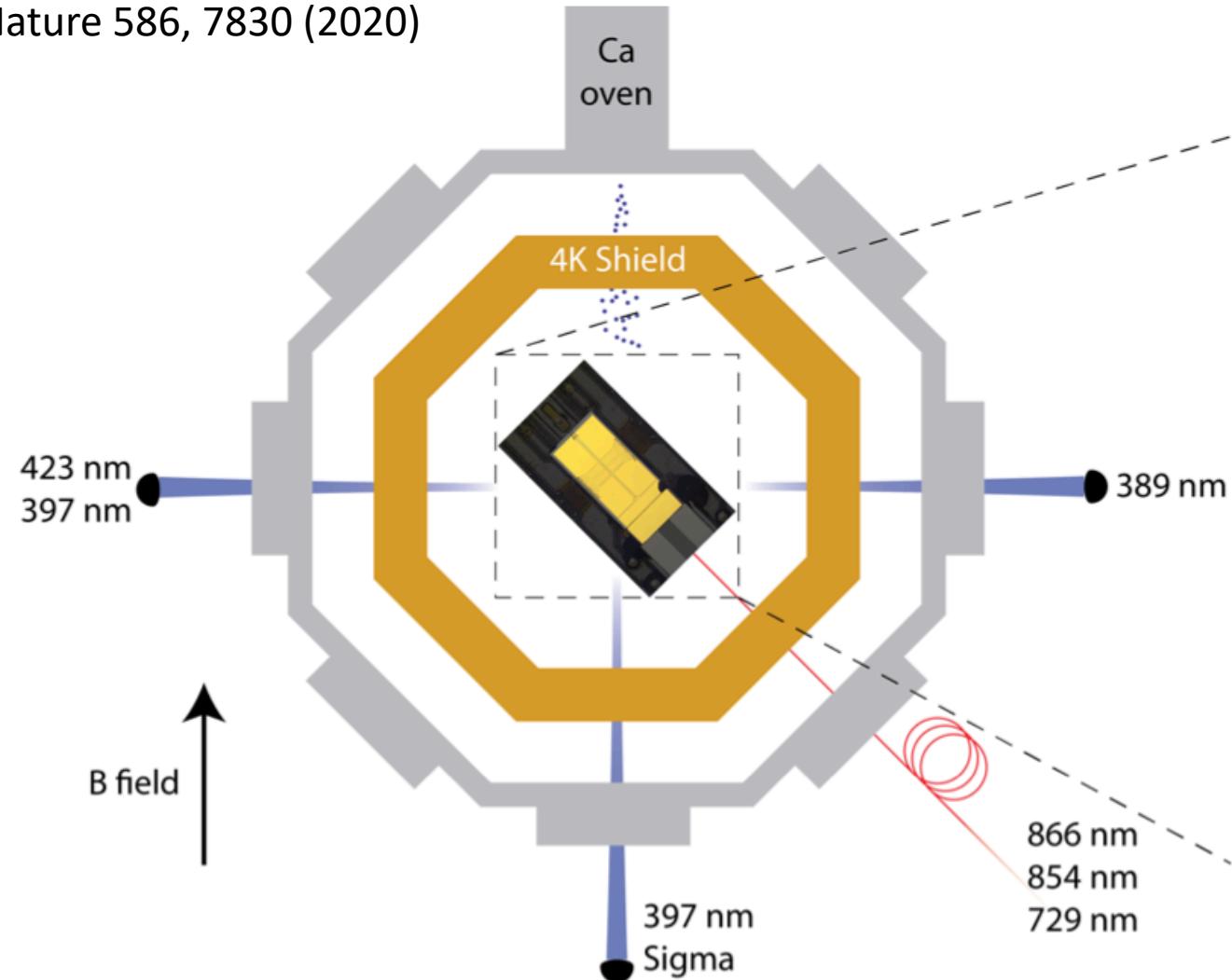
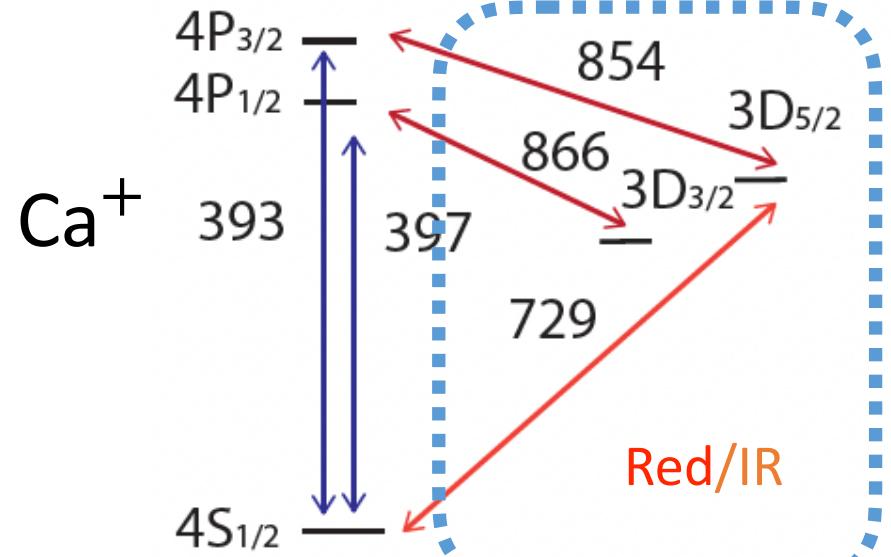
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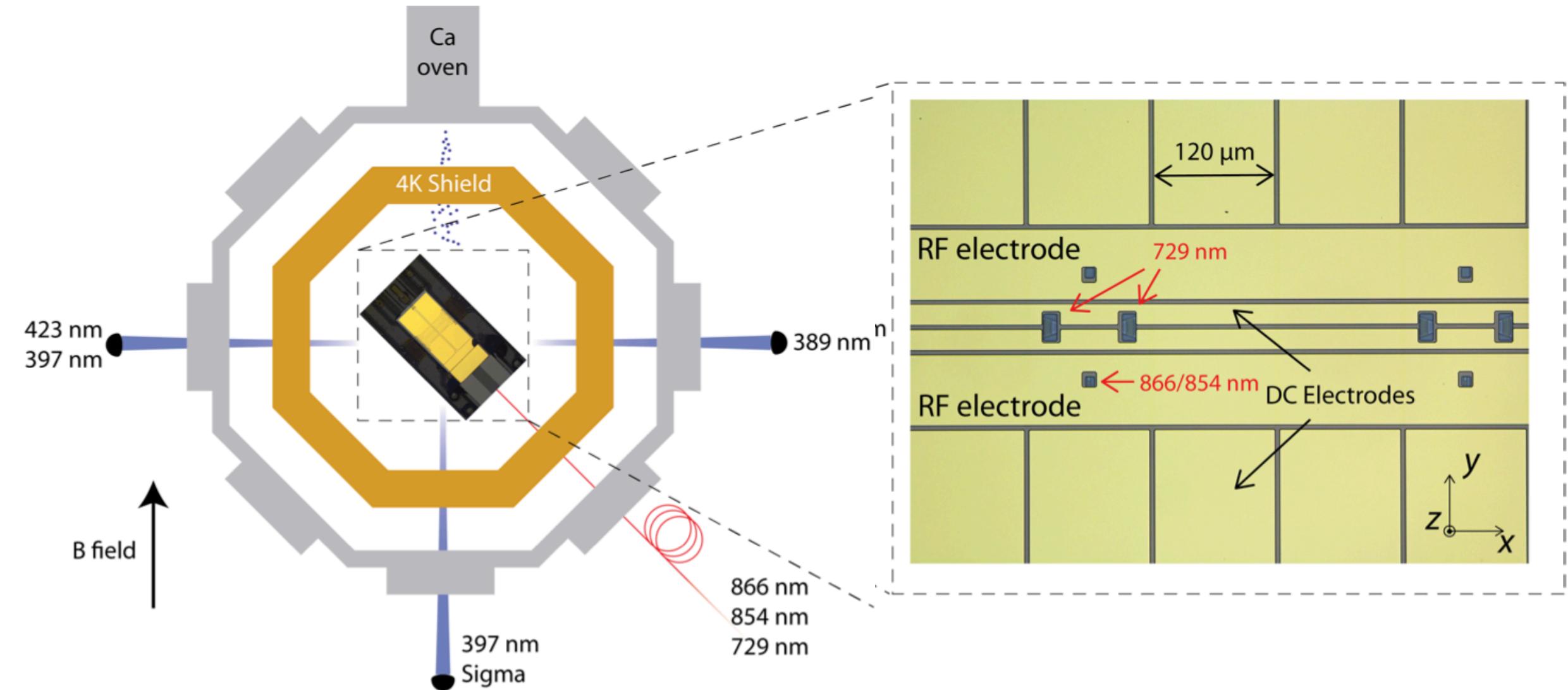
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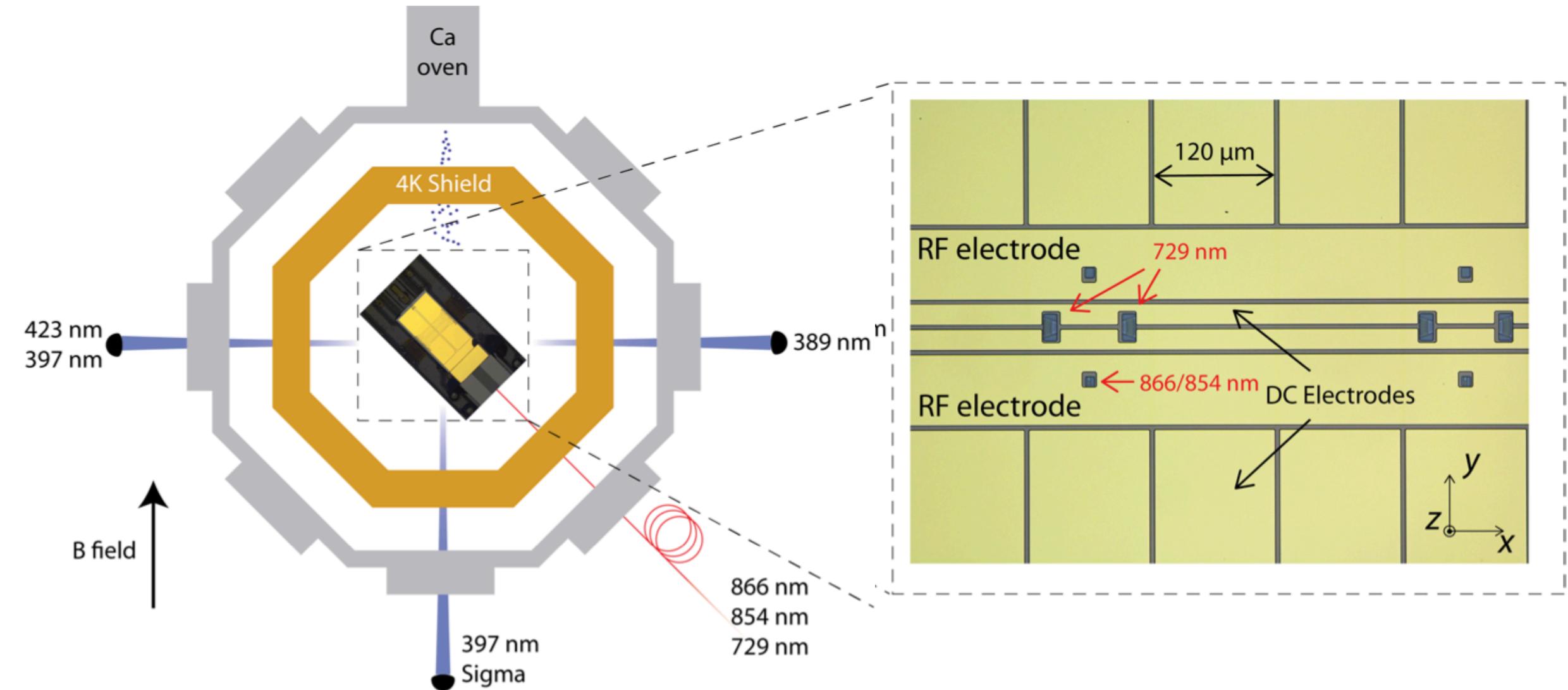


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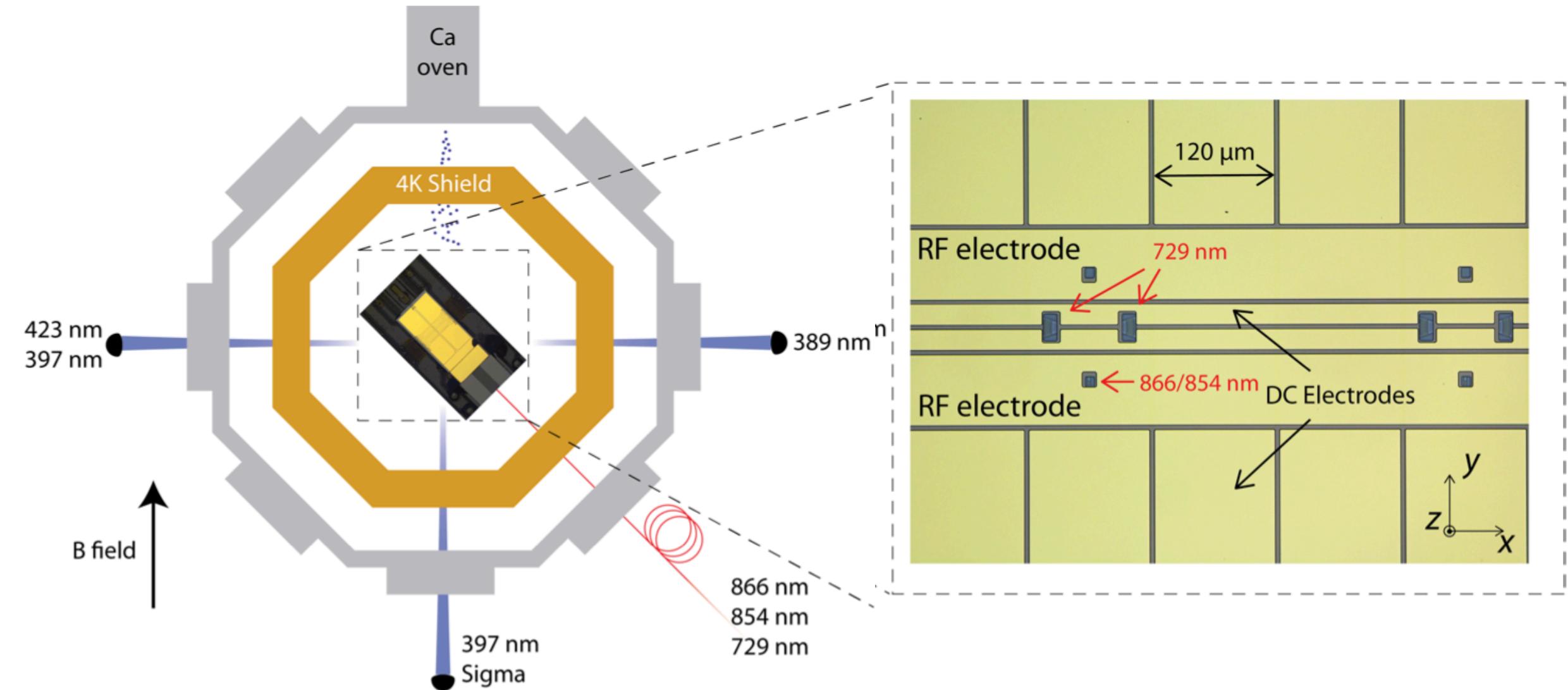
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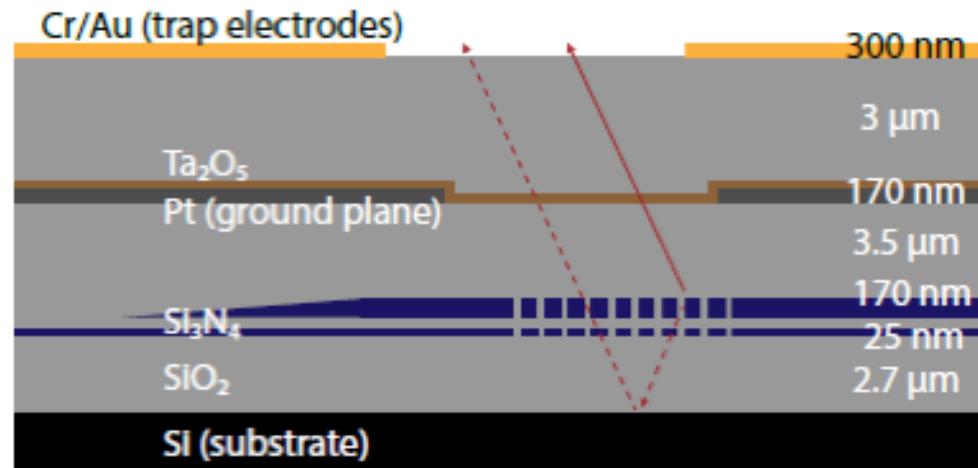


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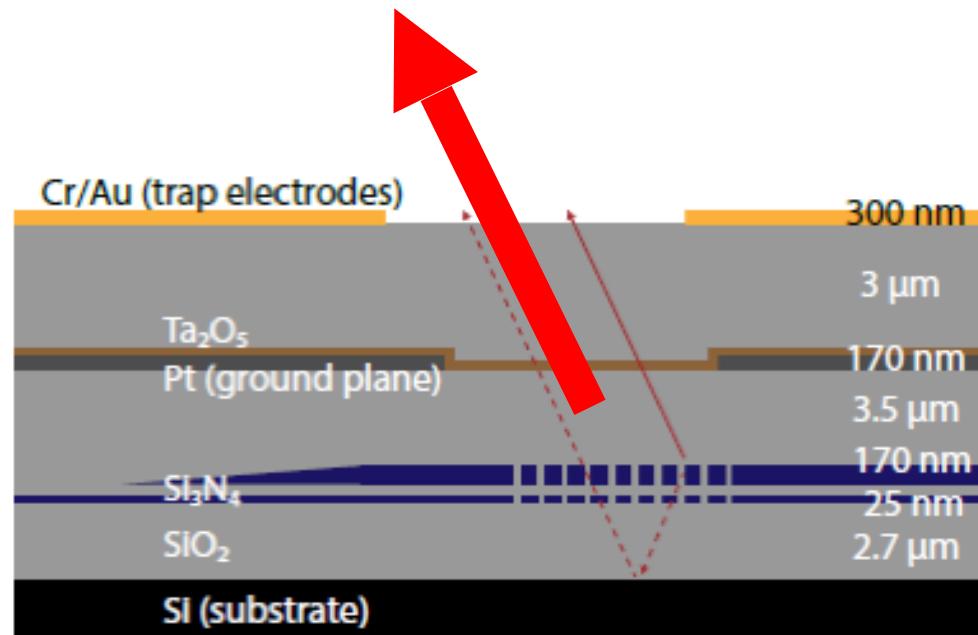


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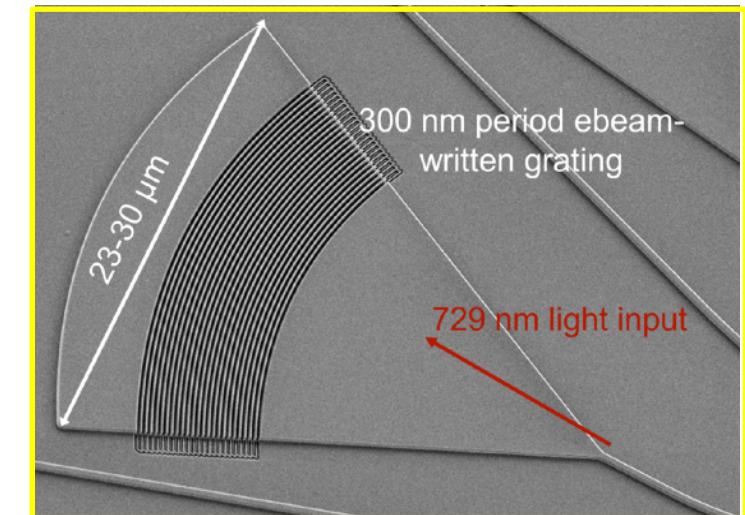
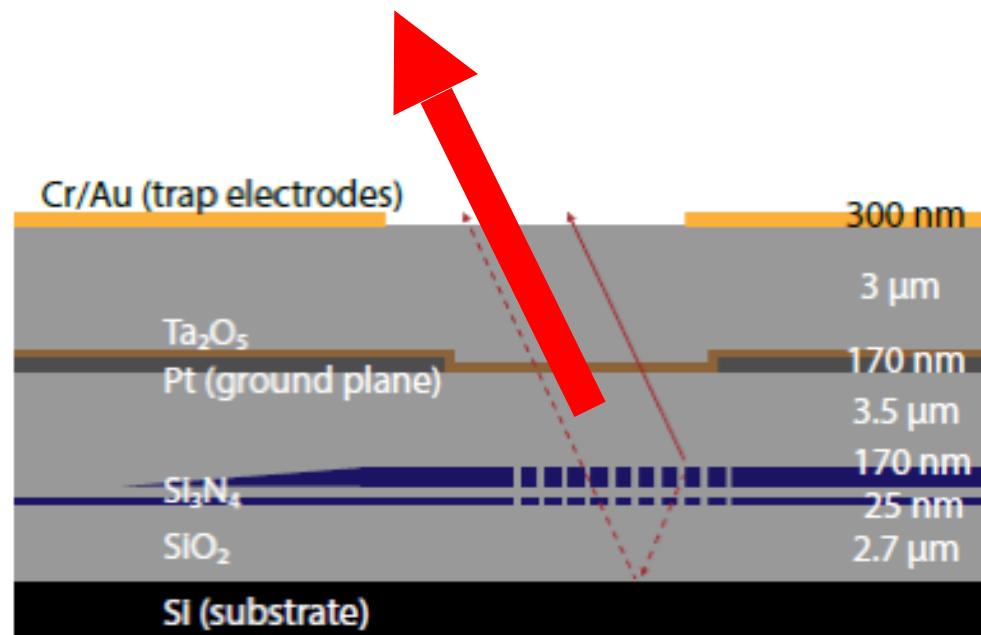


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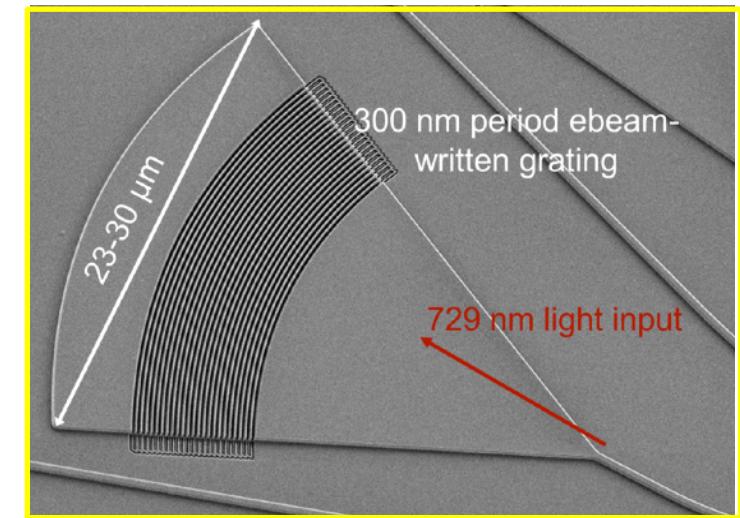
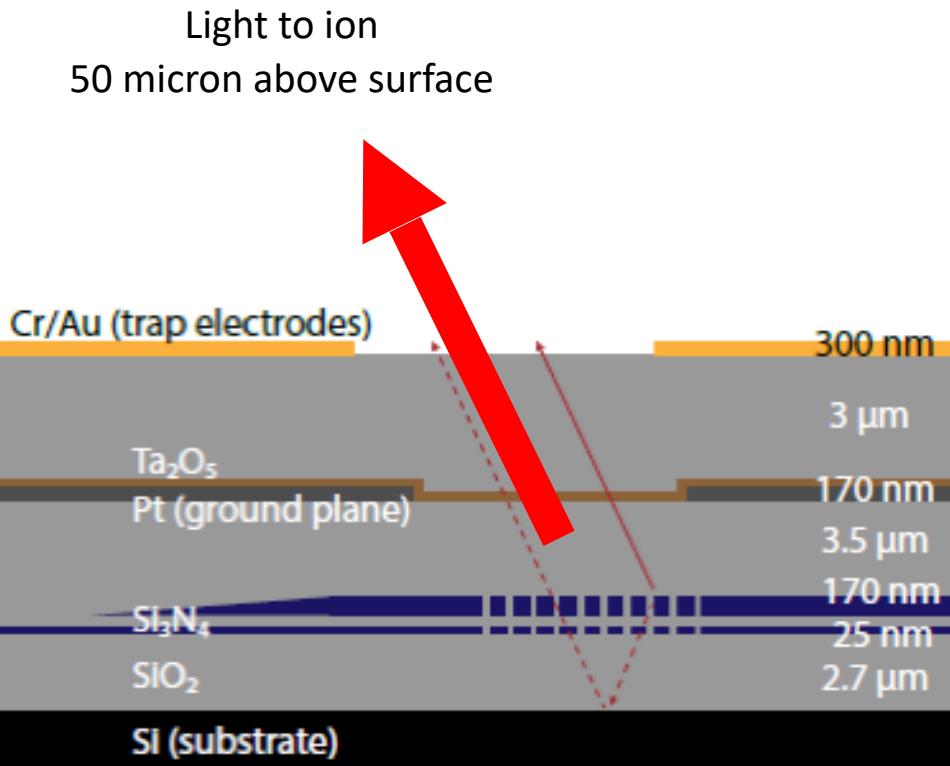
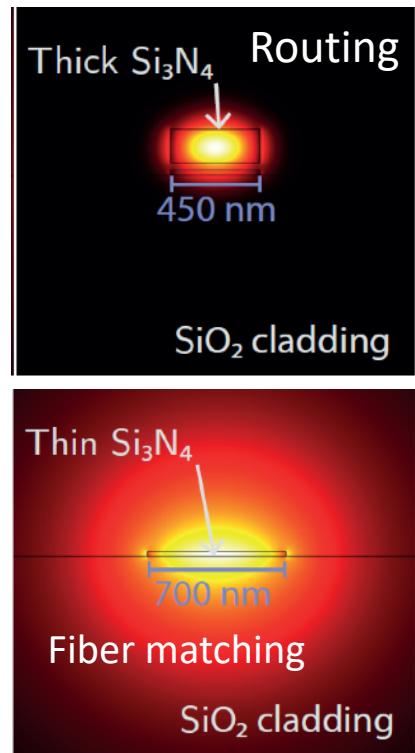


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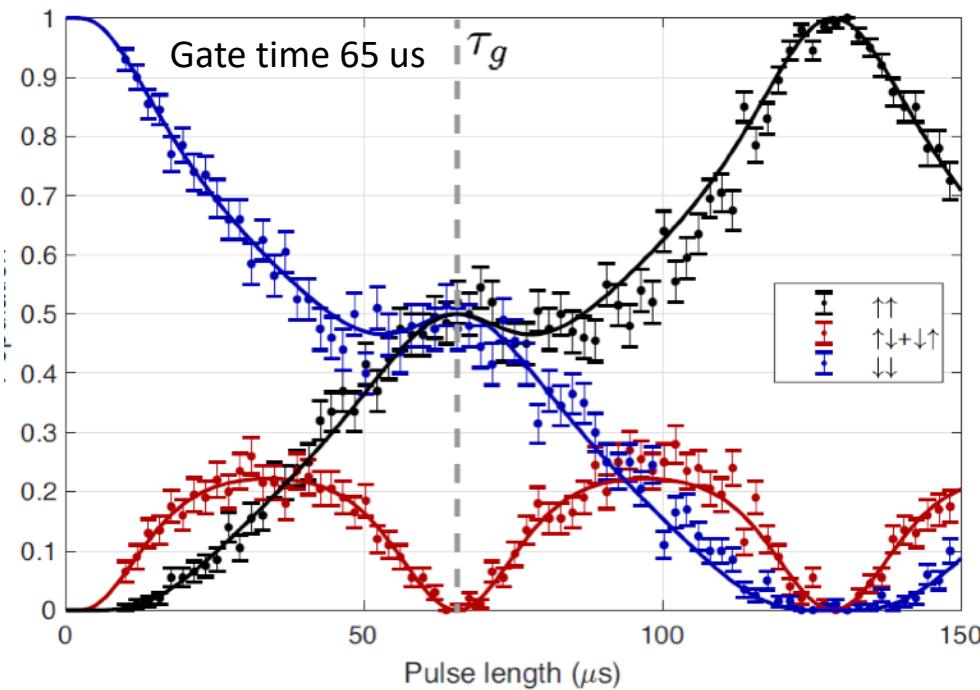


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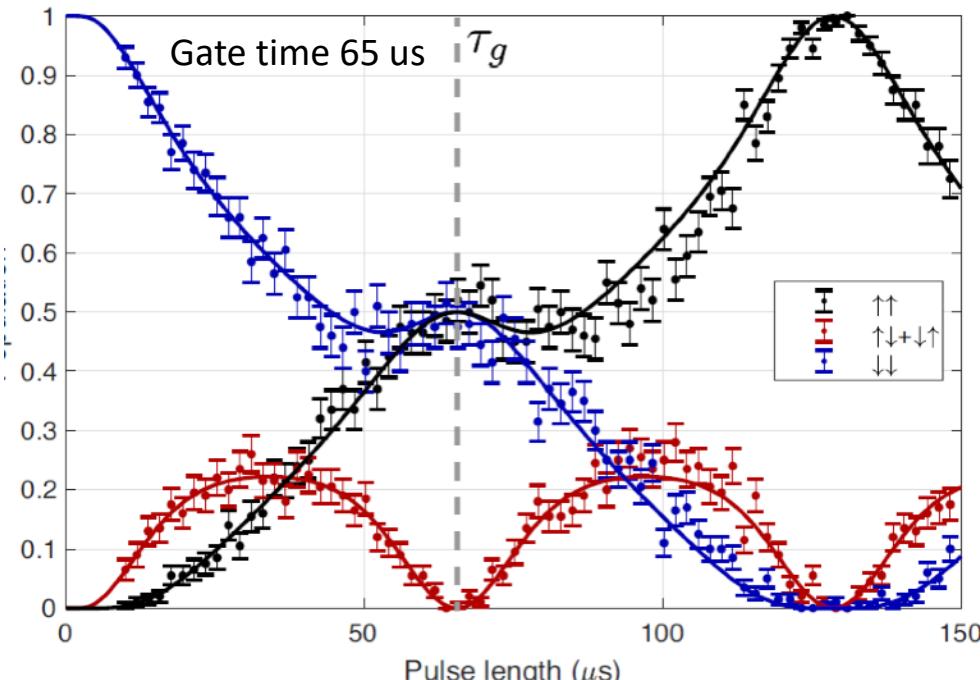
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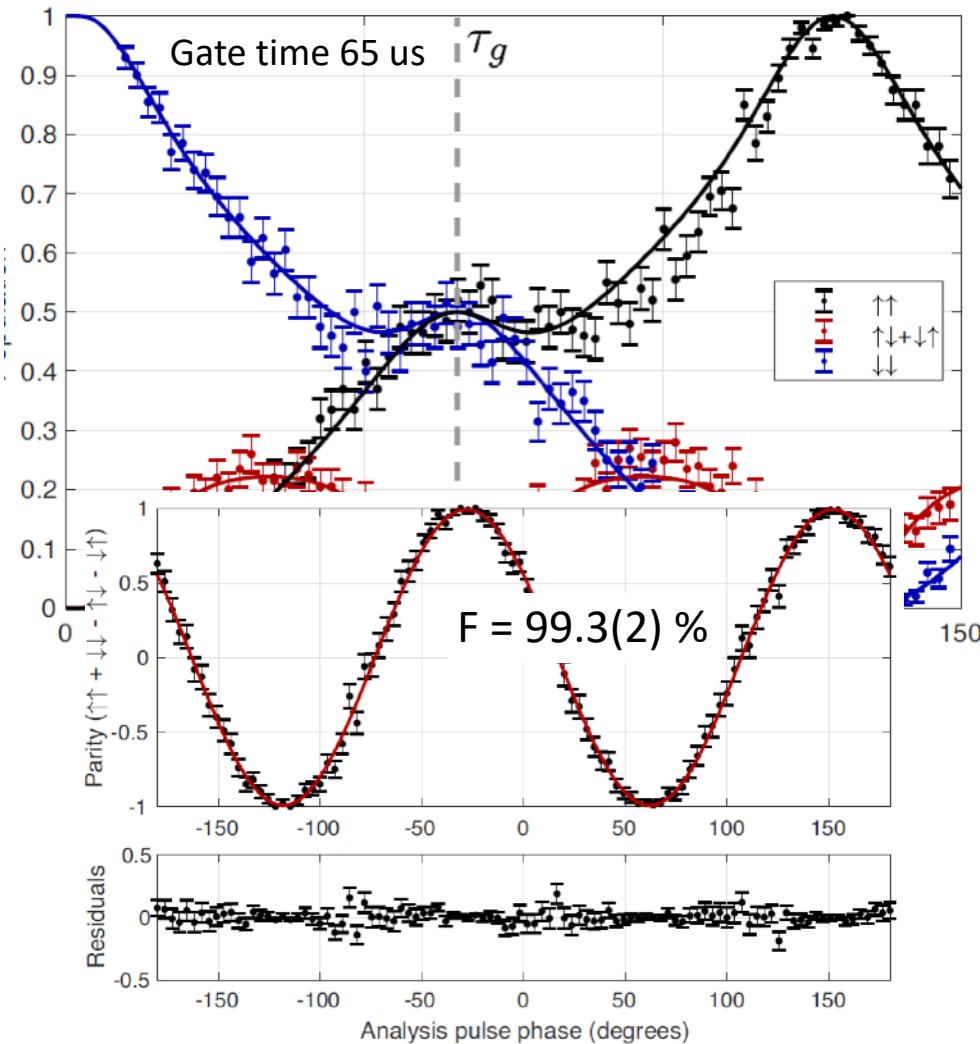


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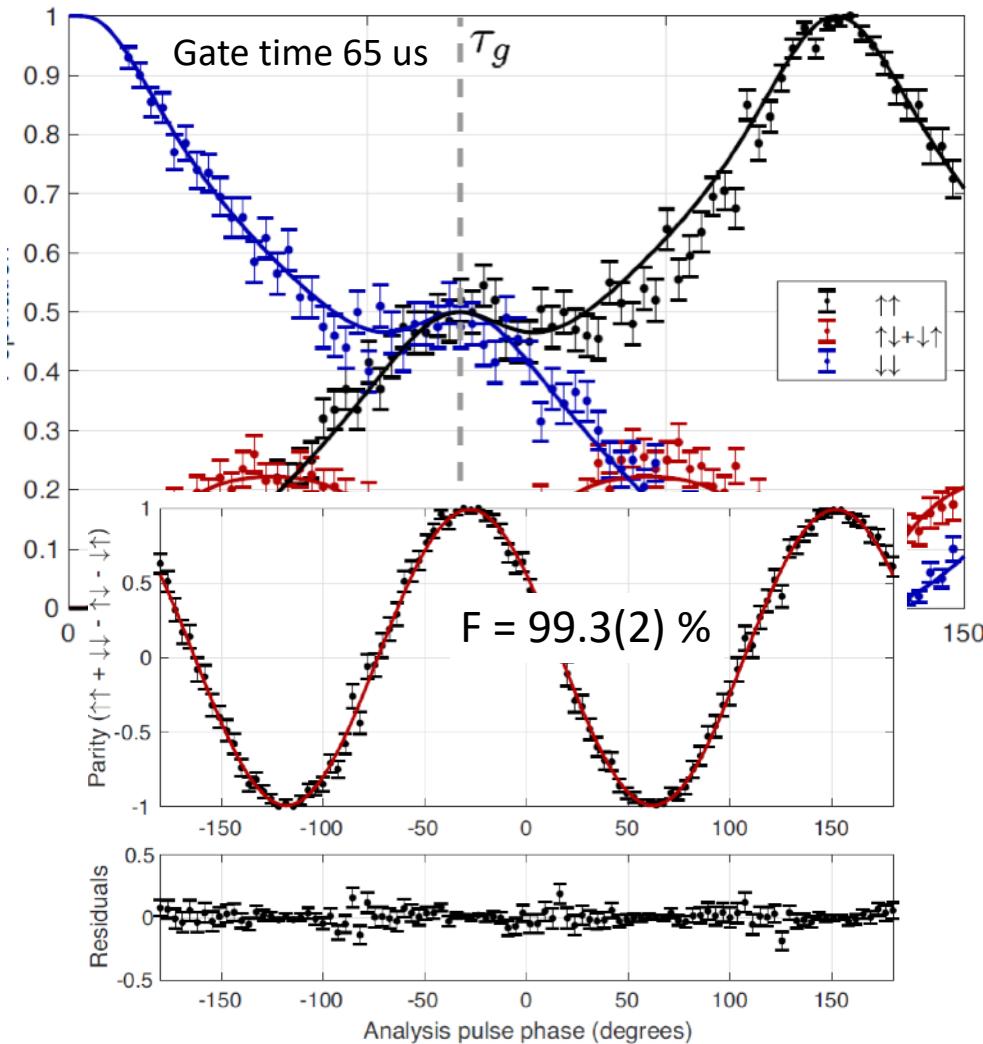
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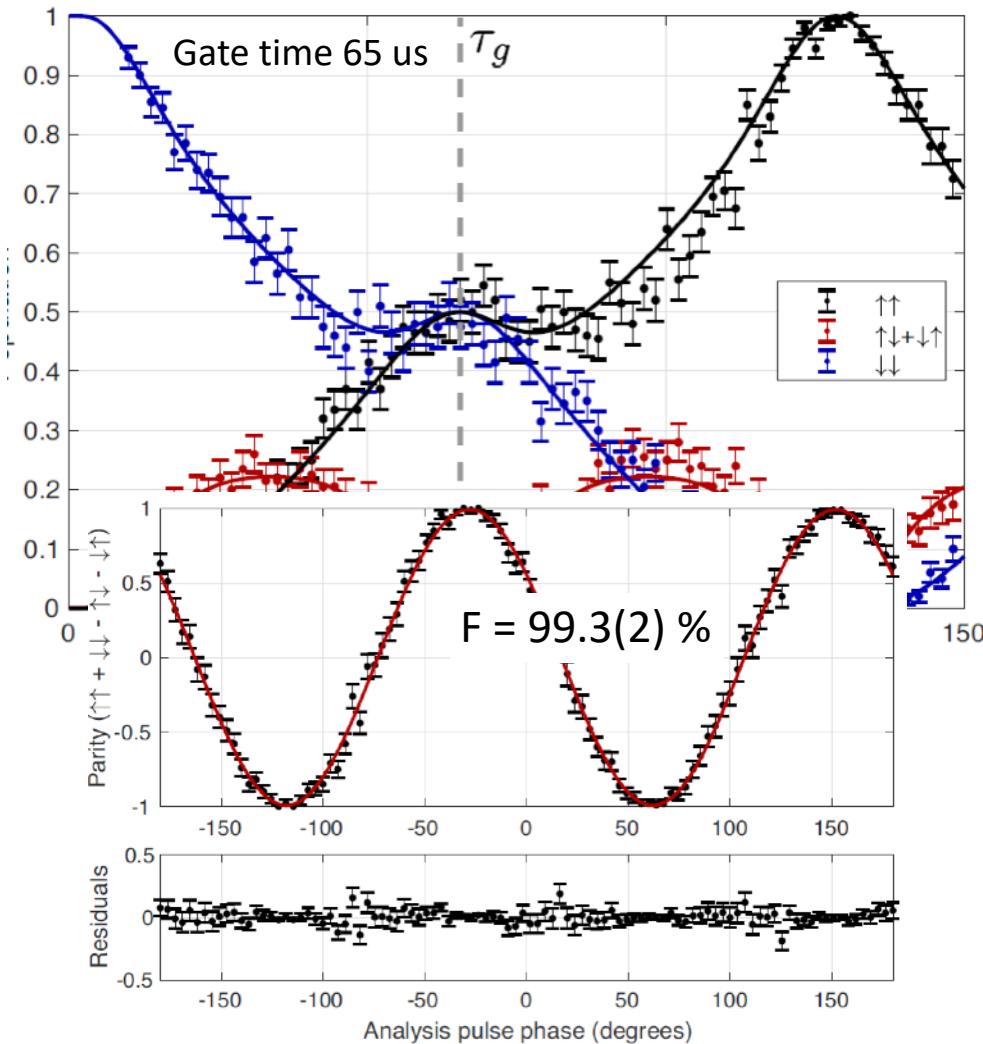


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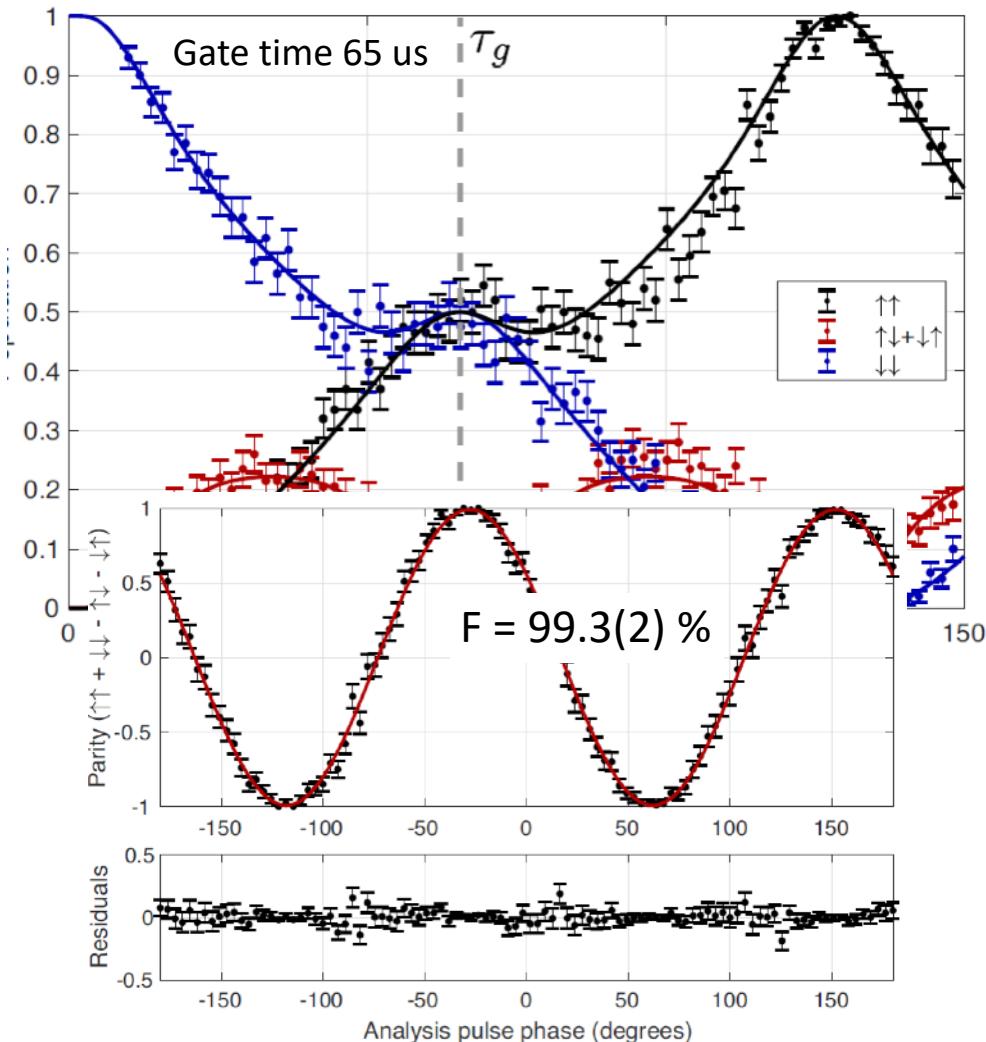
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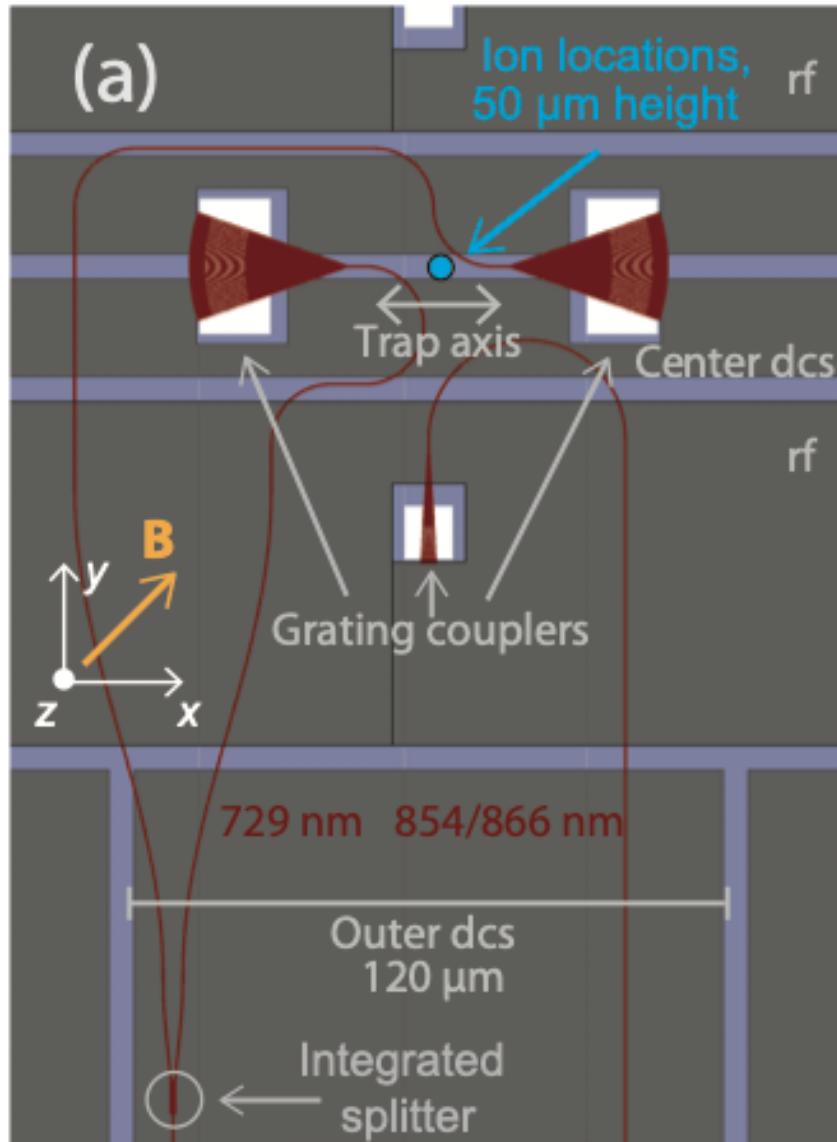
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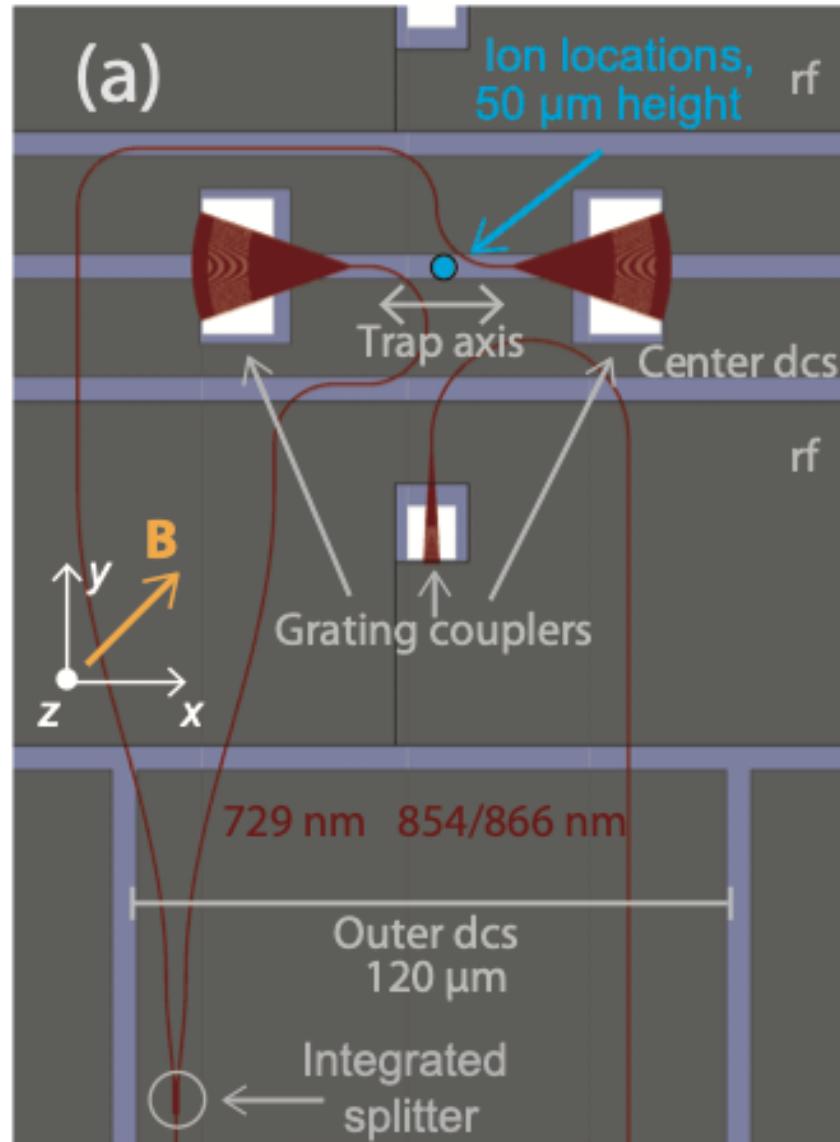
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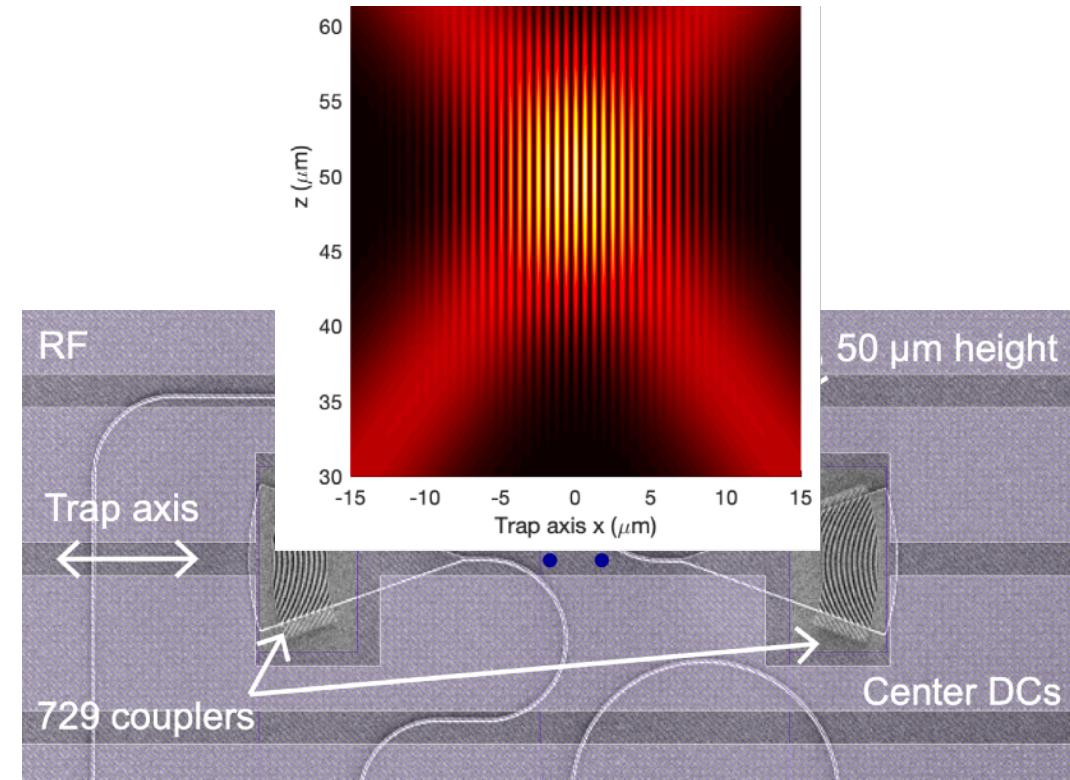
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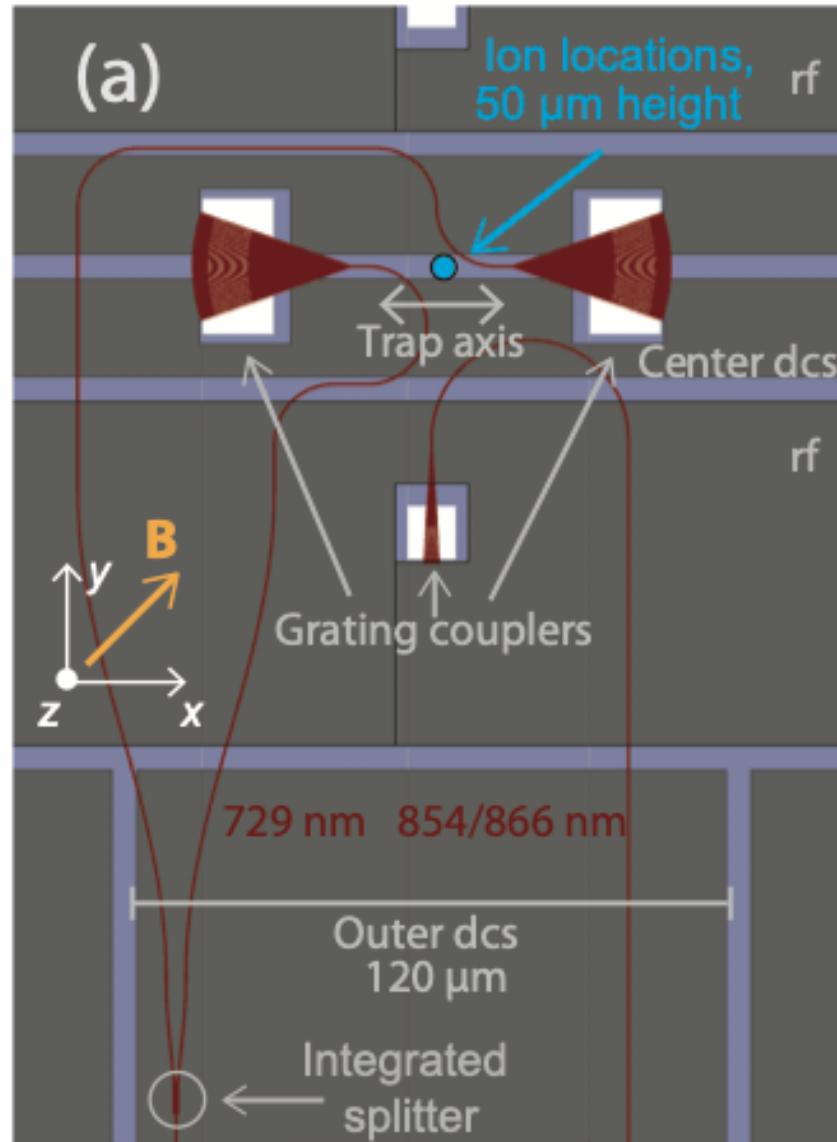


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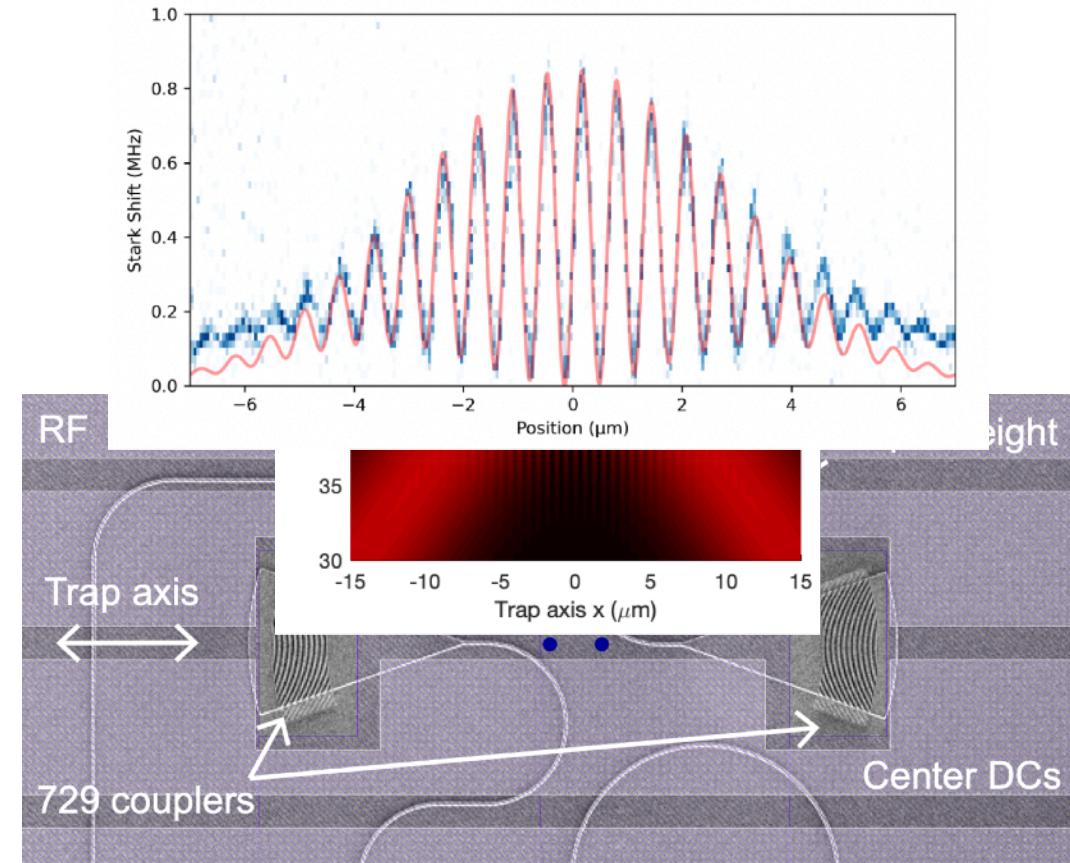


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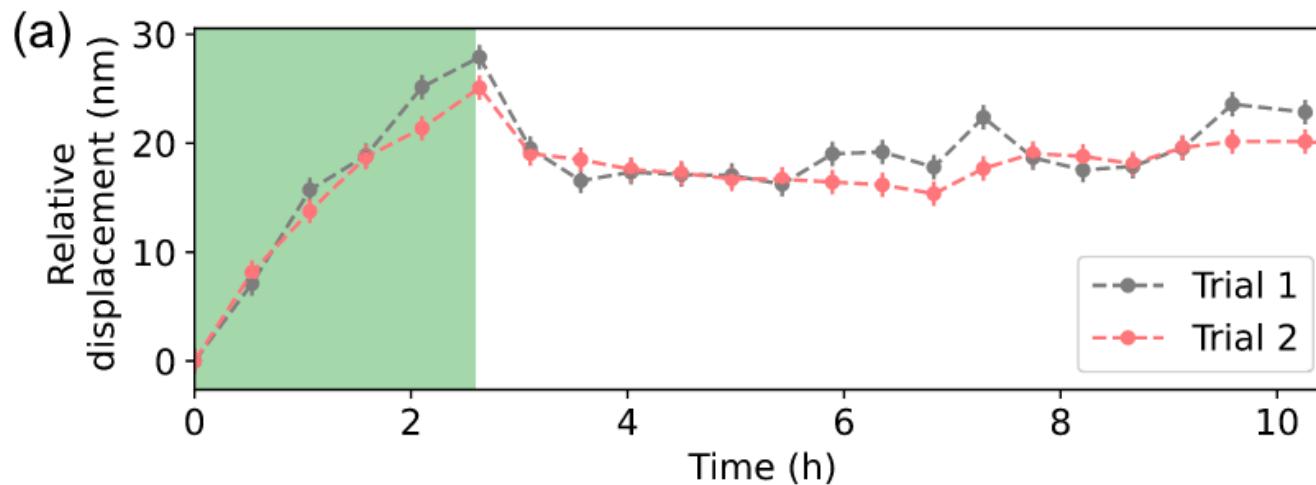
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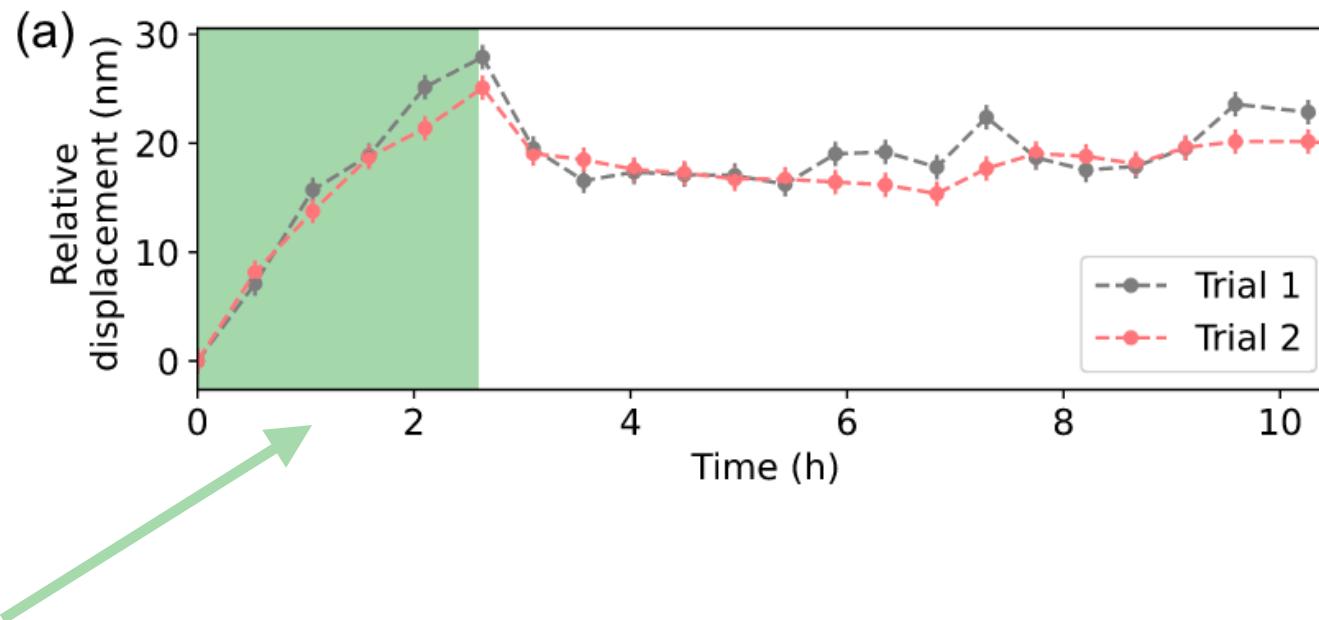
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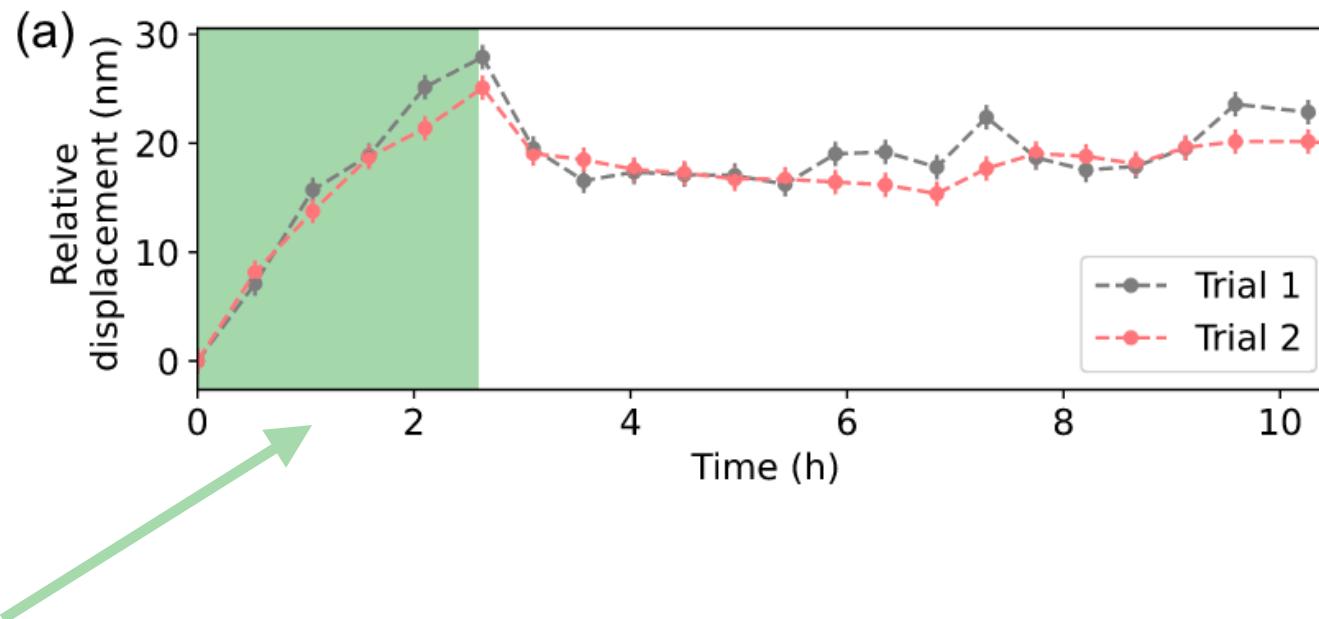


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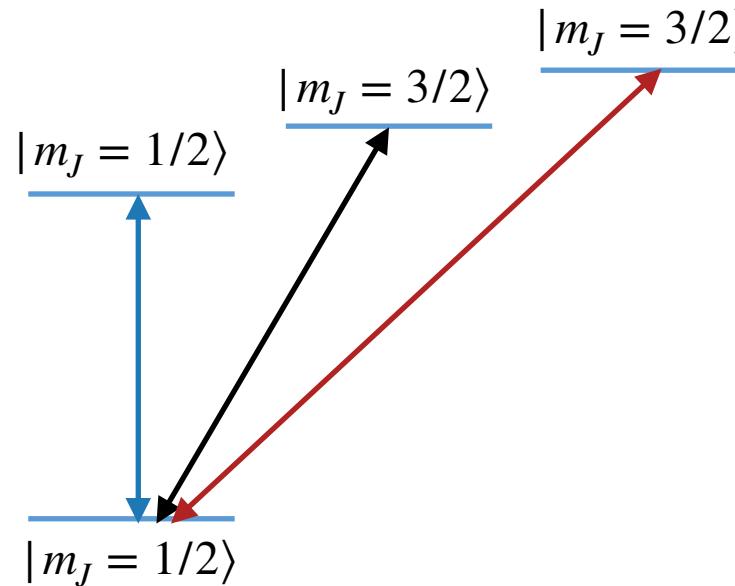
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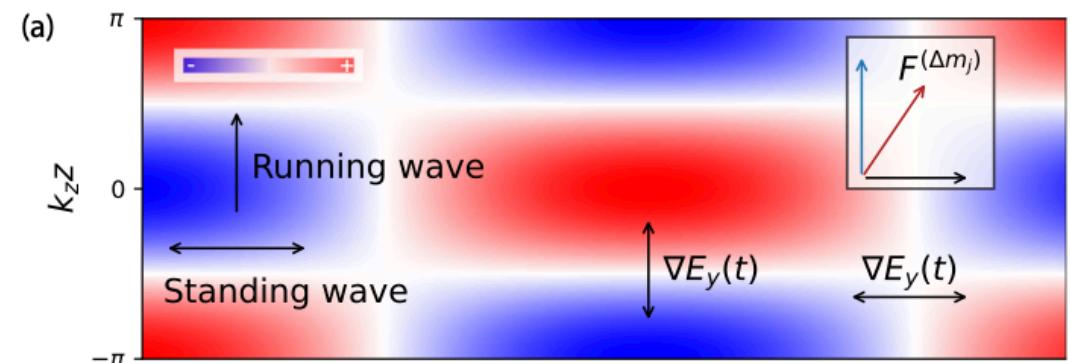
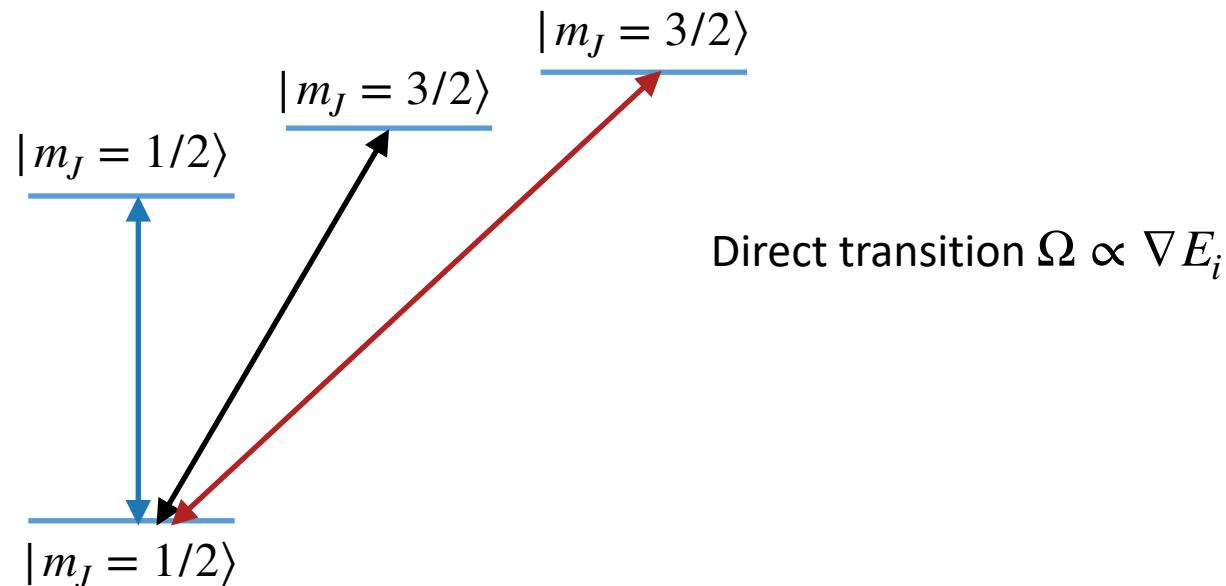
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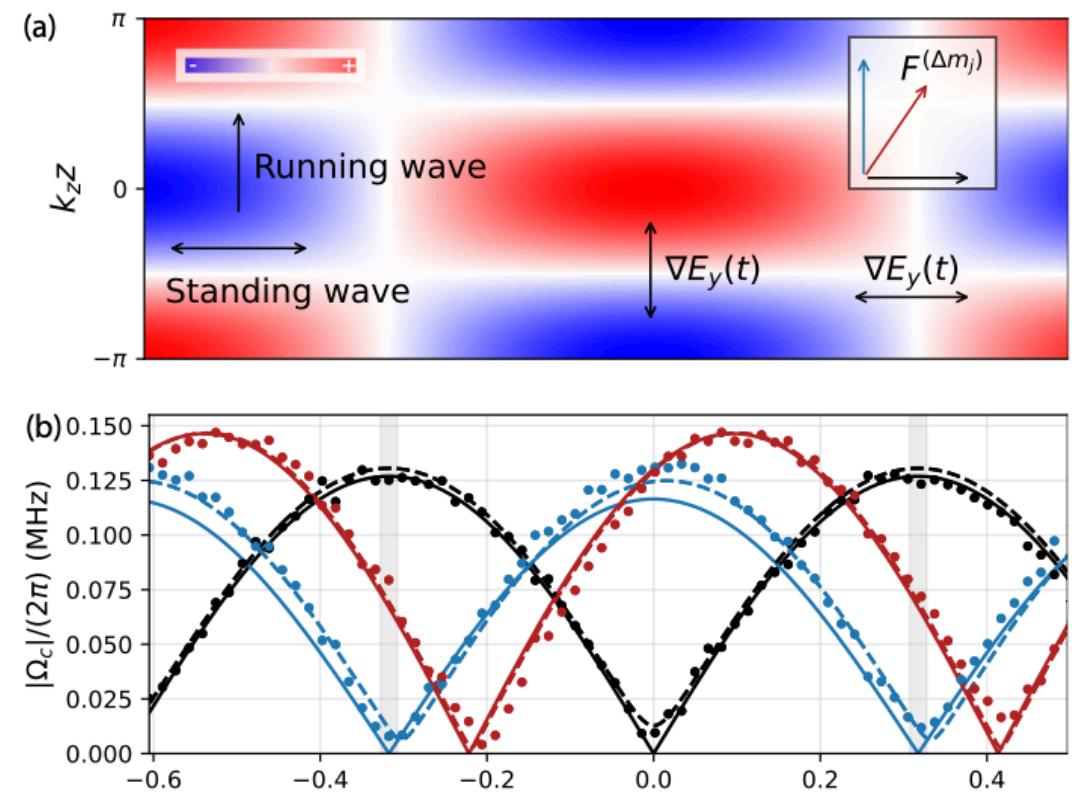
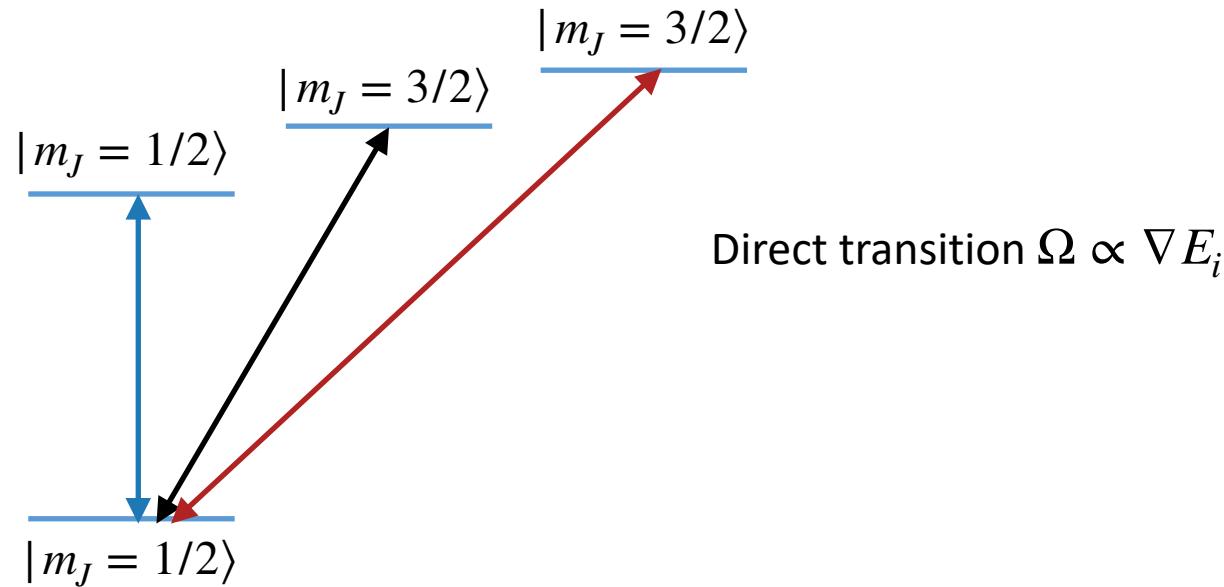
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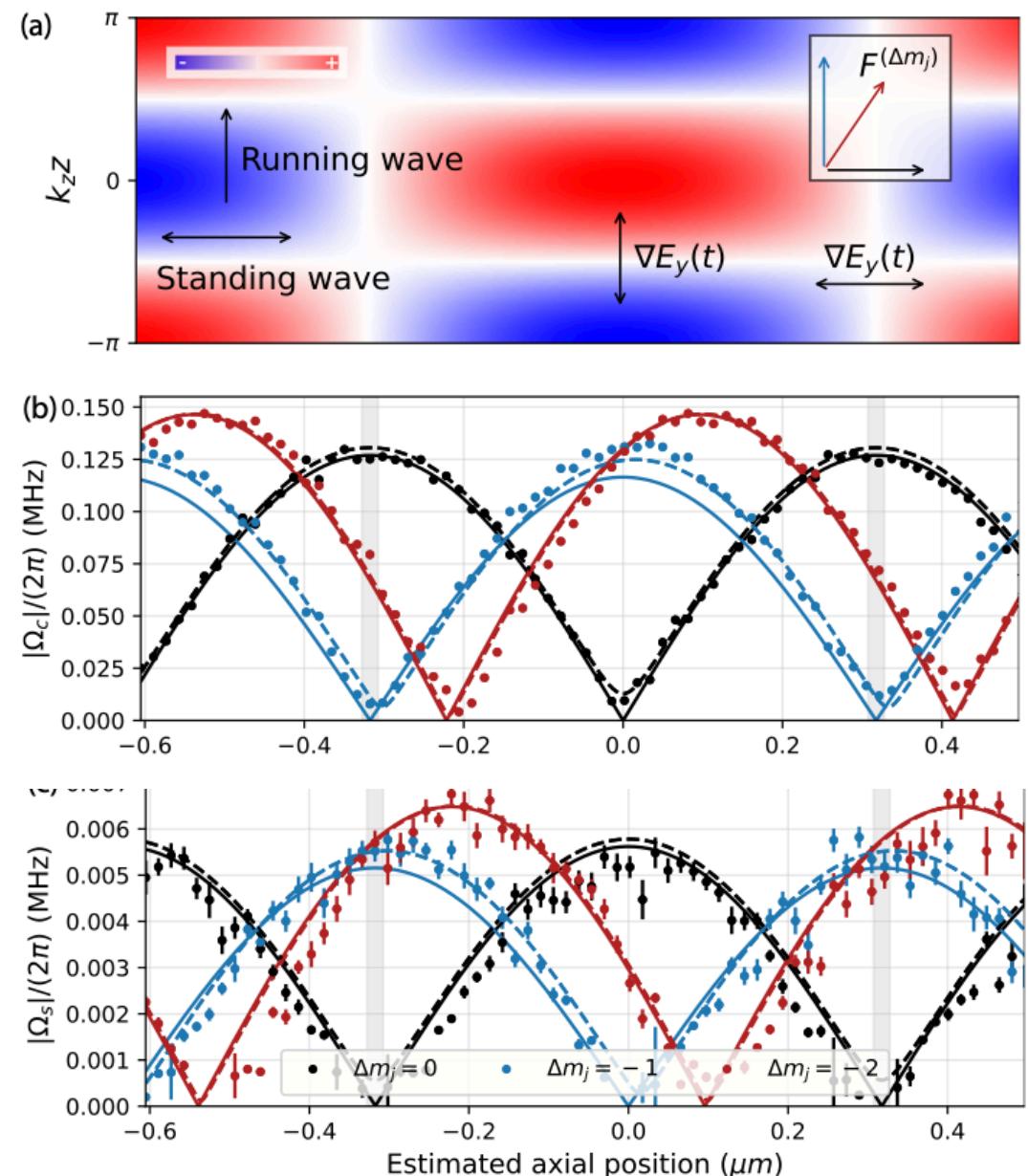
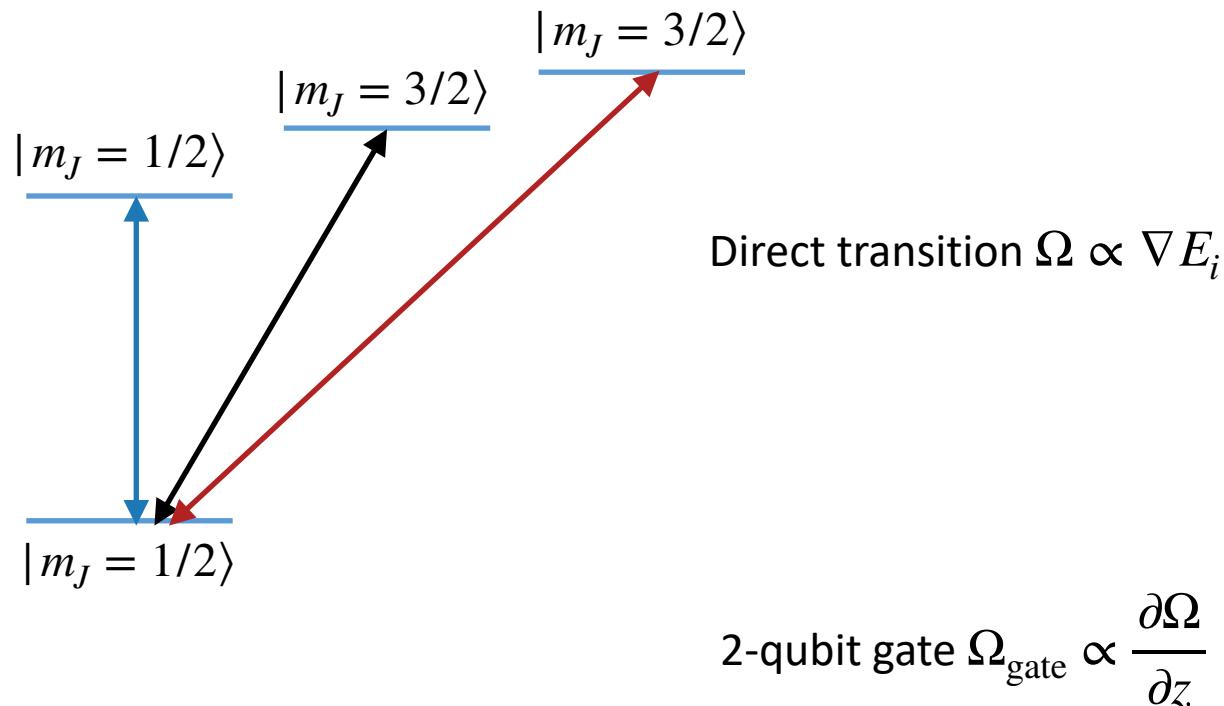
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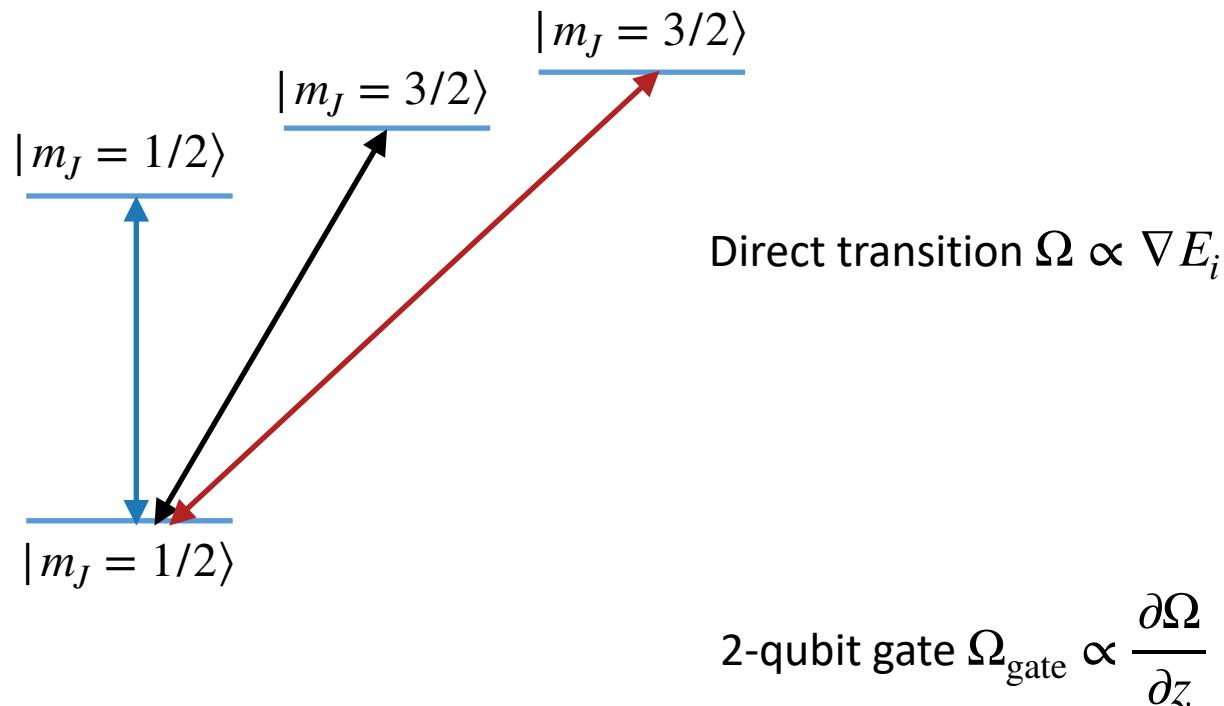
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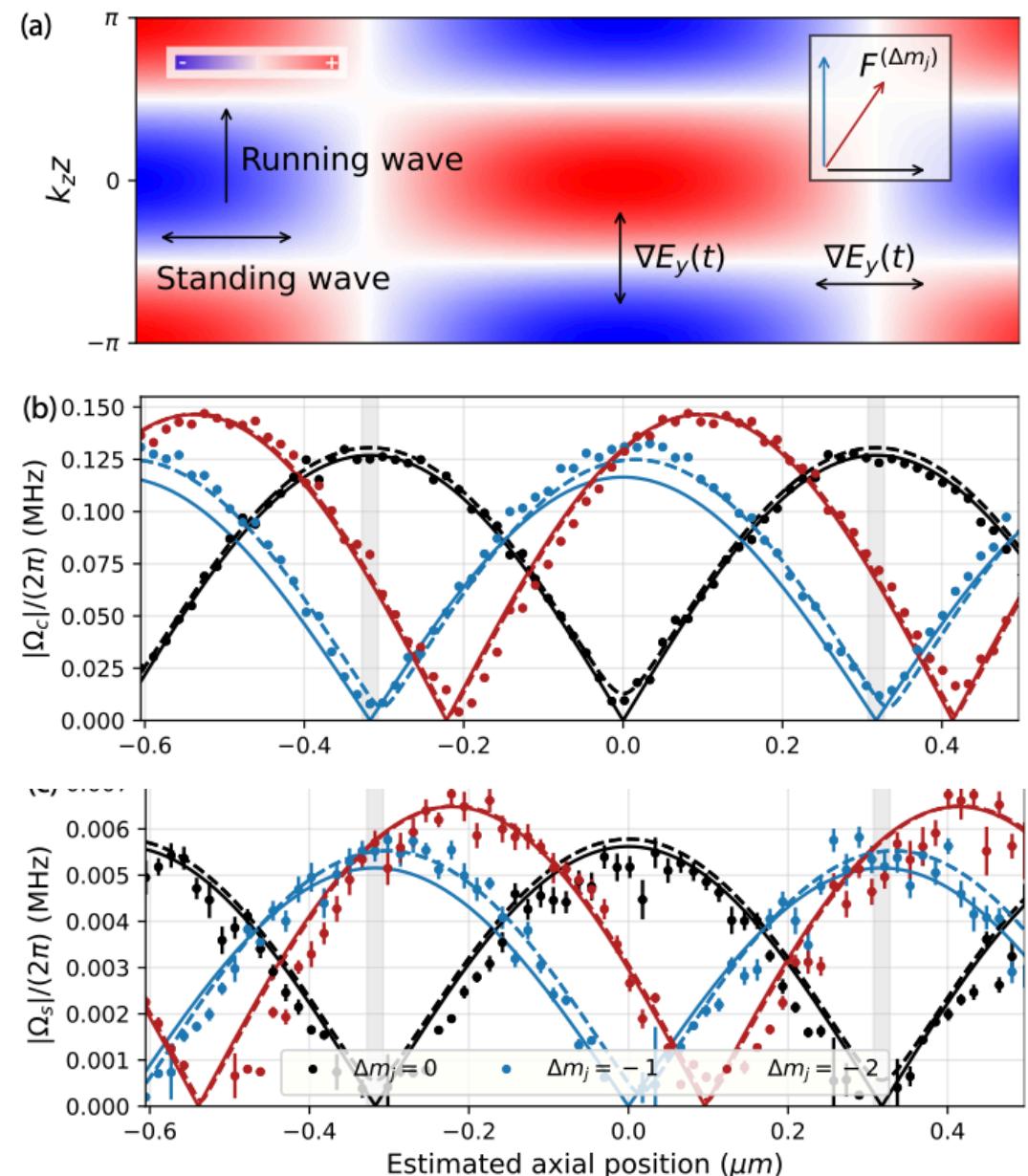
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Idea: Two-qubit gates at position of zero intensity  
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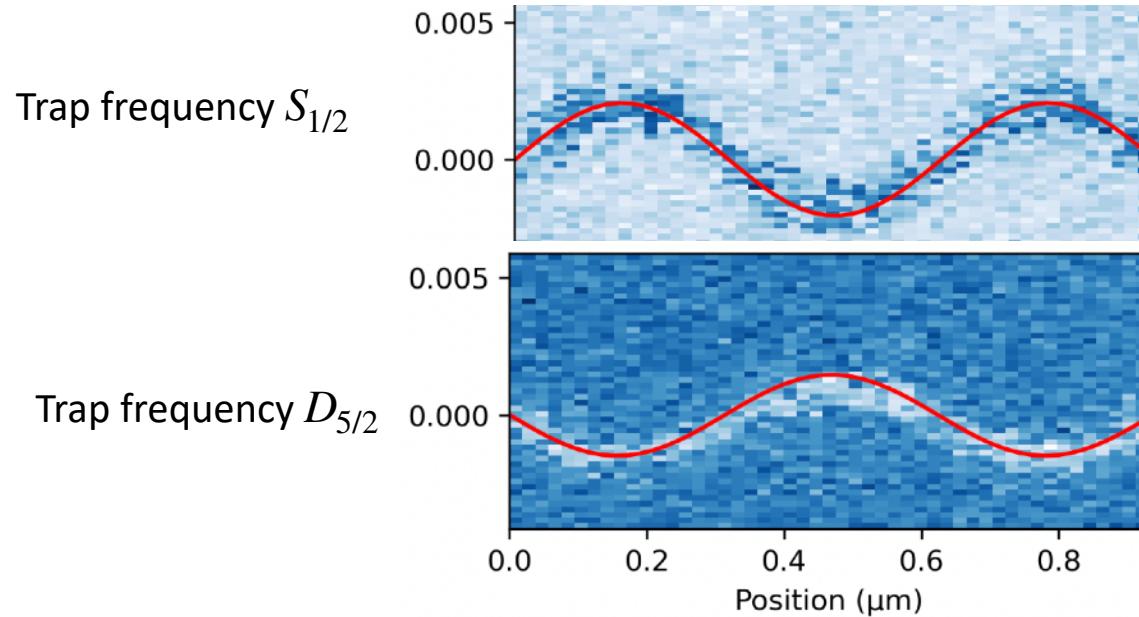
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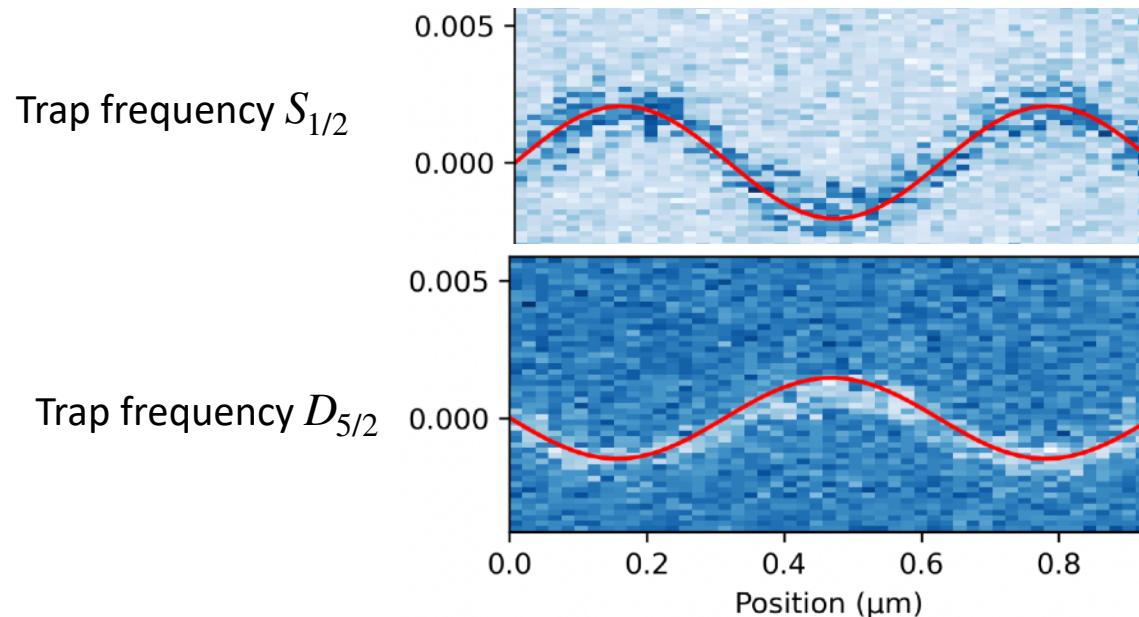


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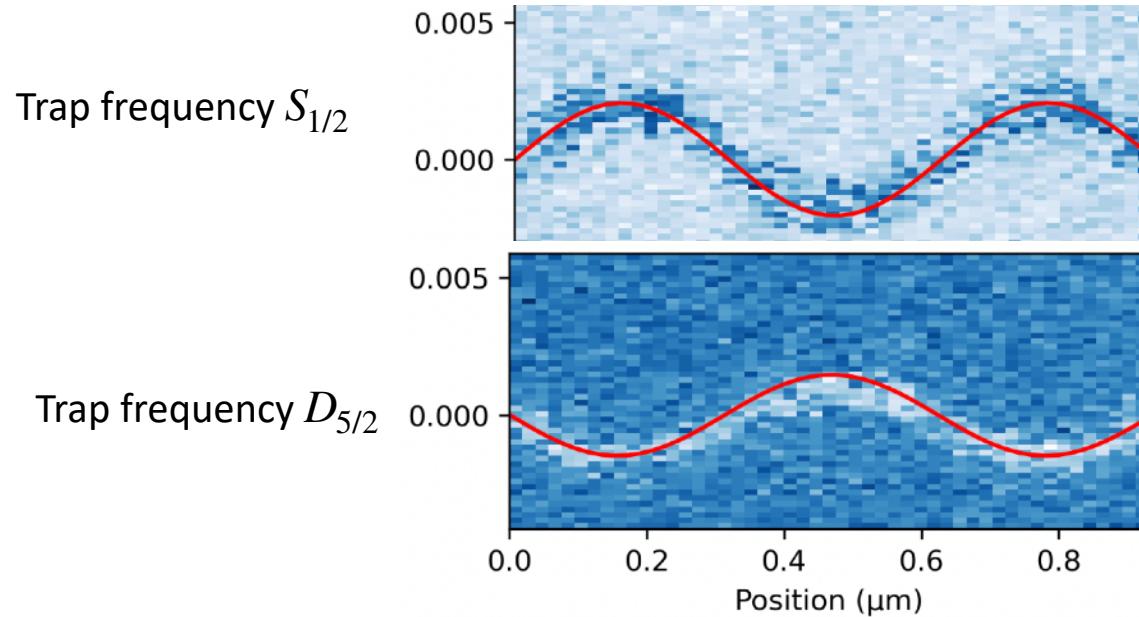
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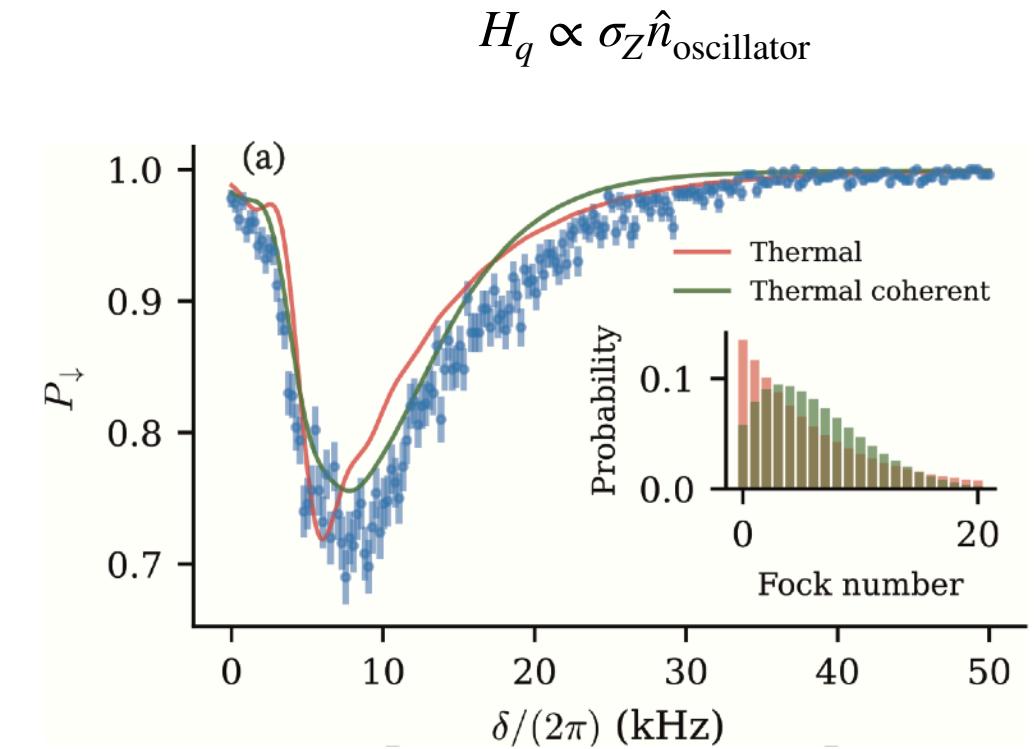
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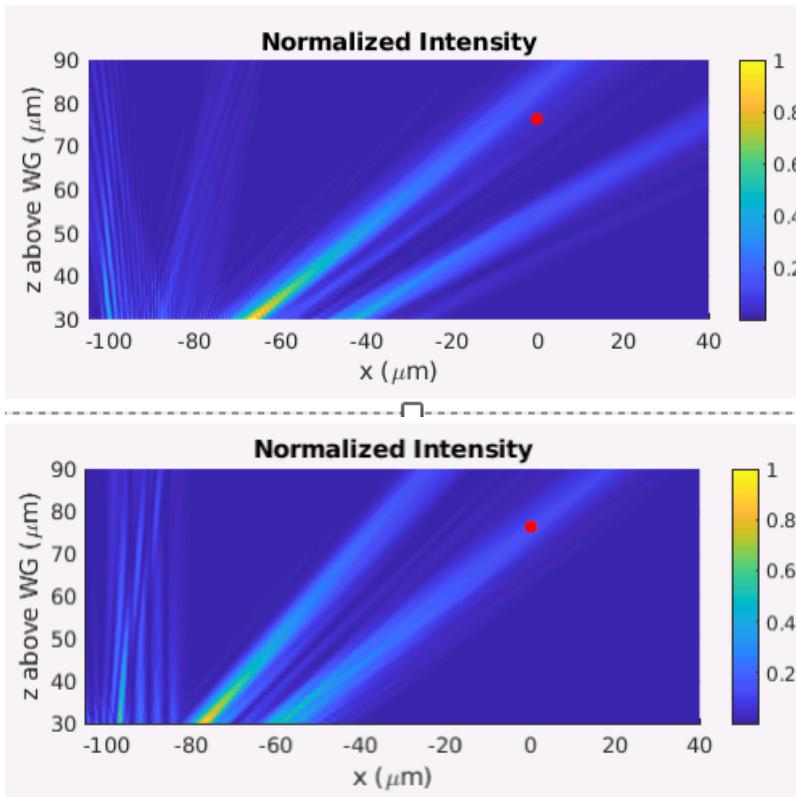
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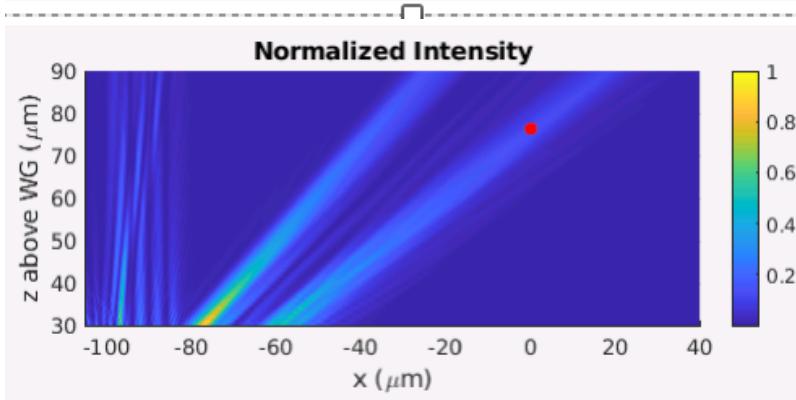
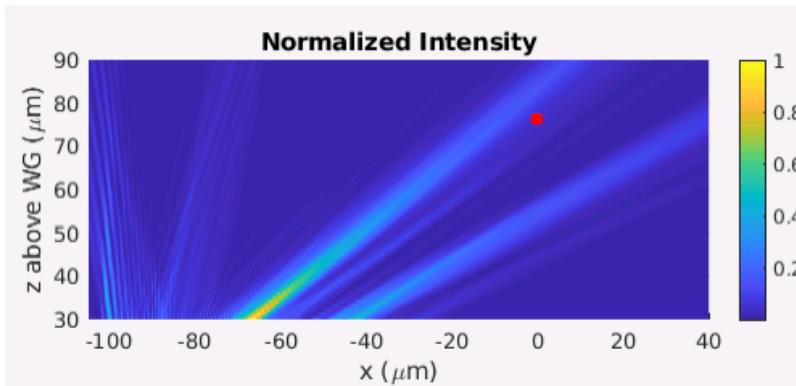
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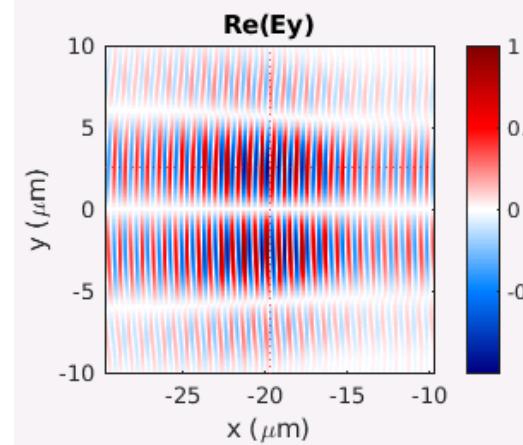
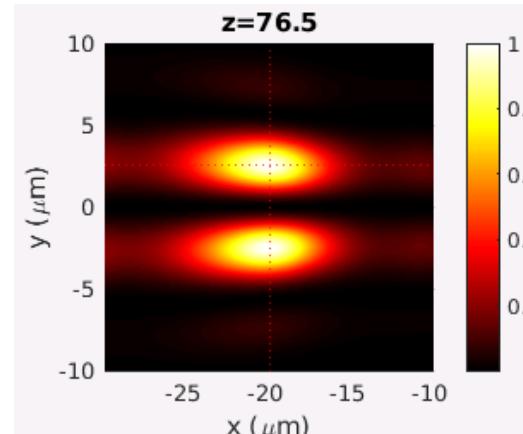
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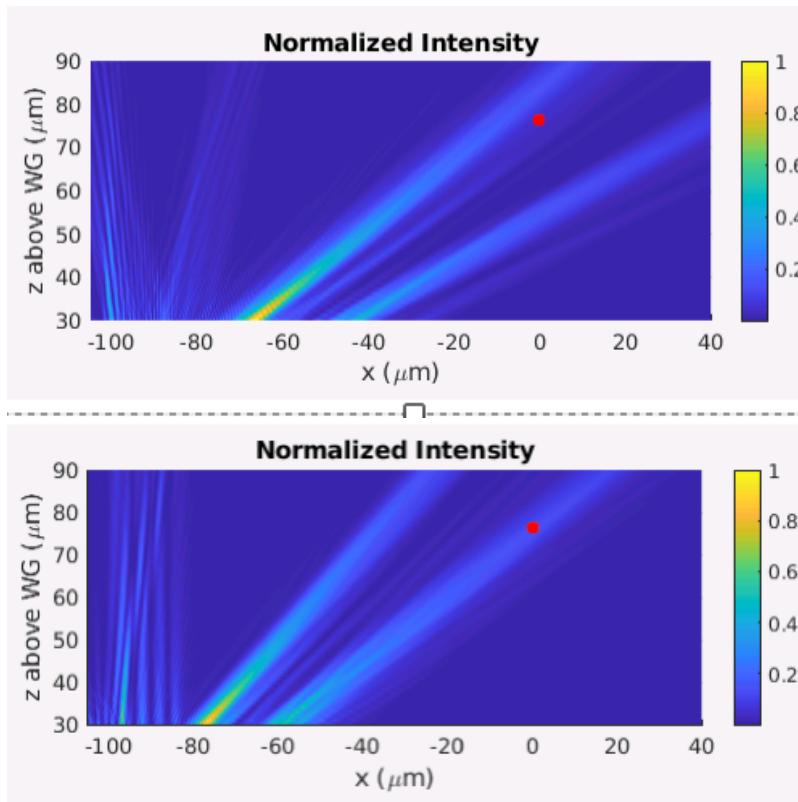
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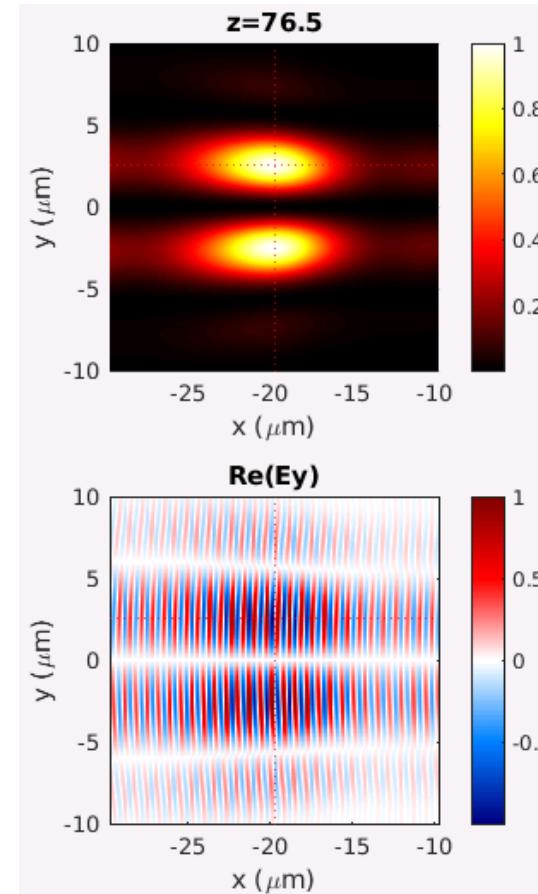
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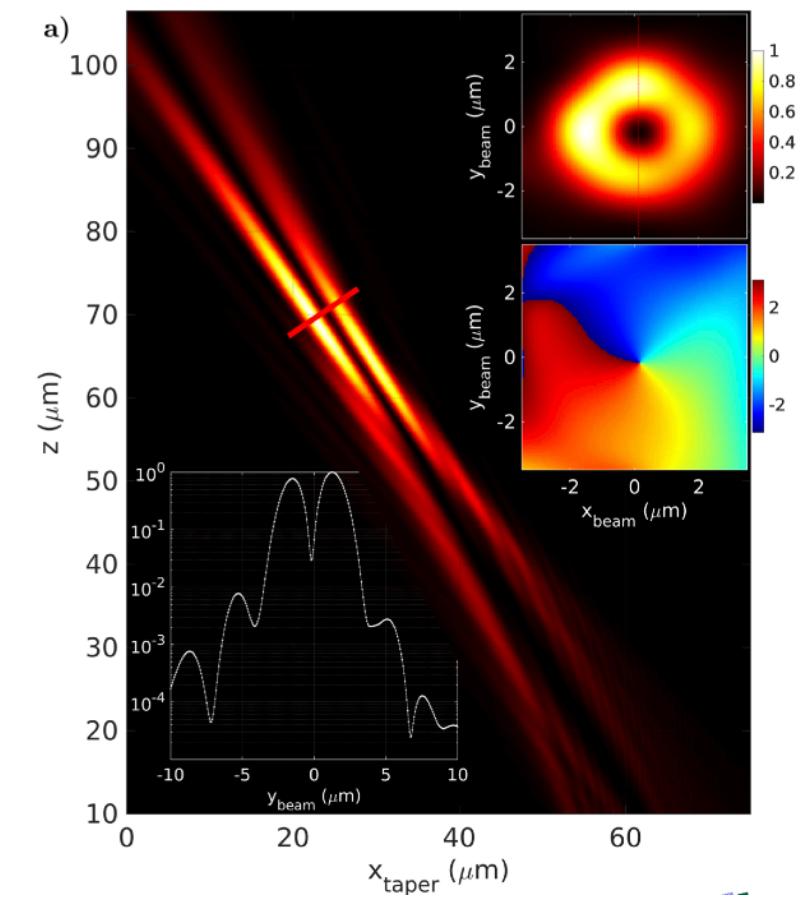
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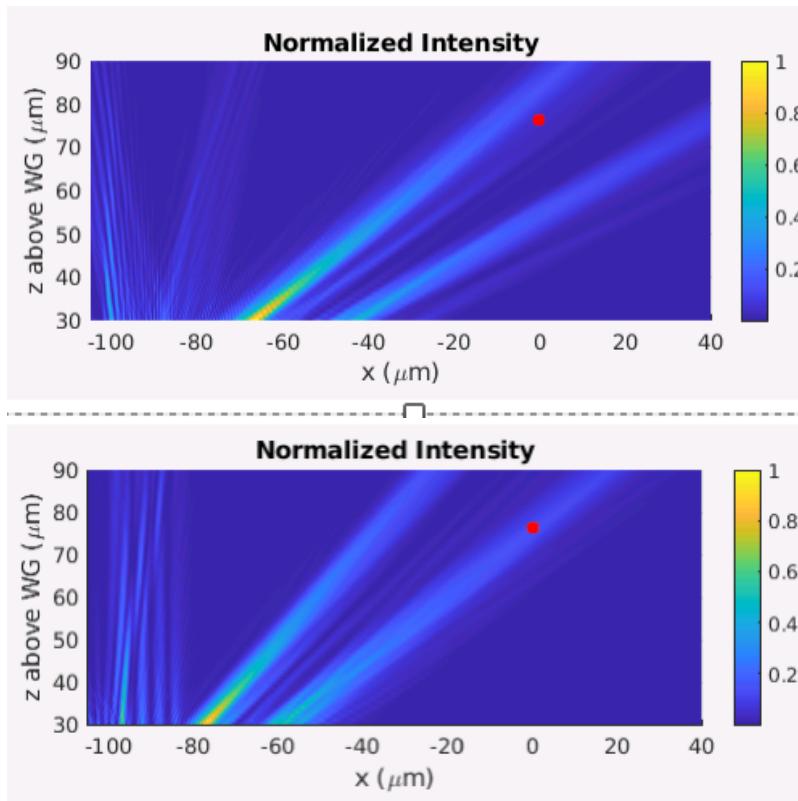
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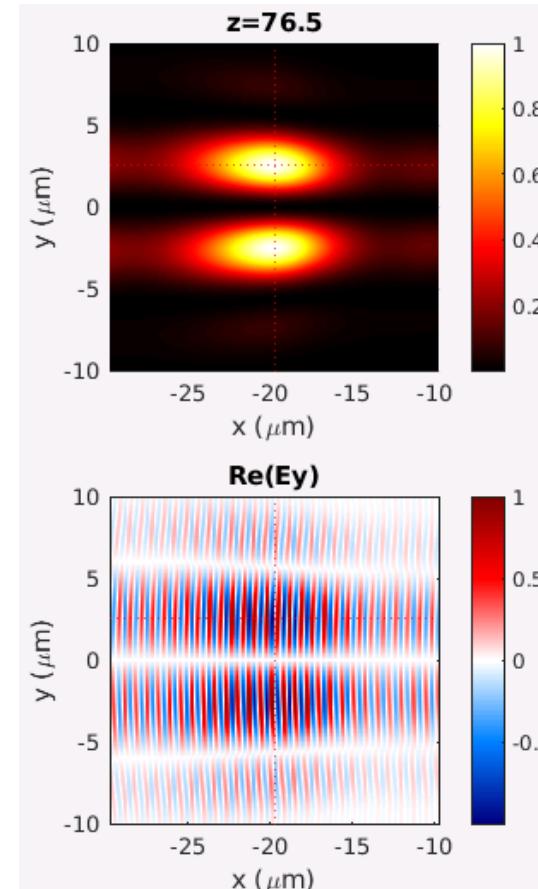
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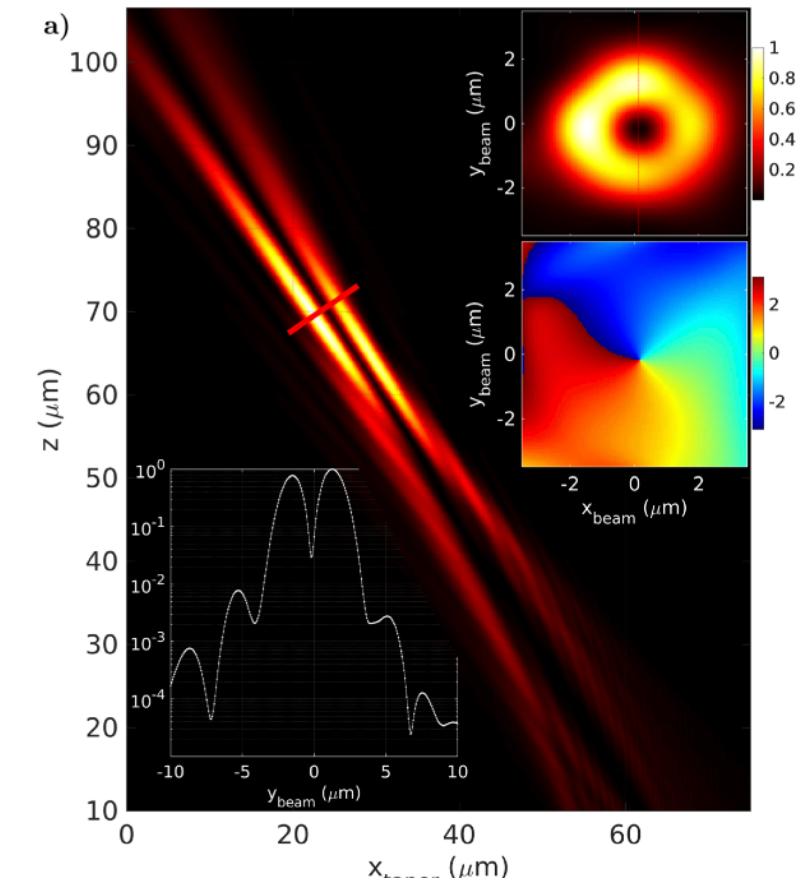
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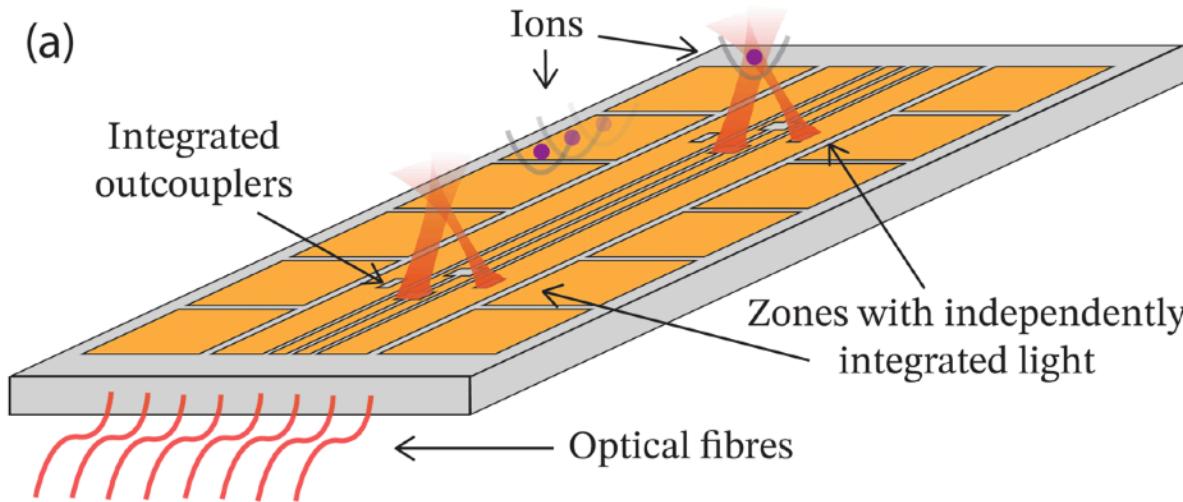


Novel modes useful for atomic clocks (drive higher order transitions at position of no intensity)

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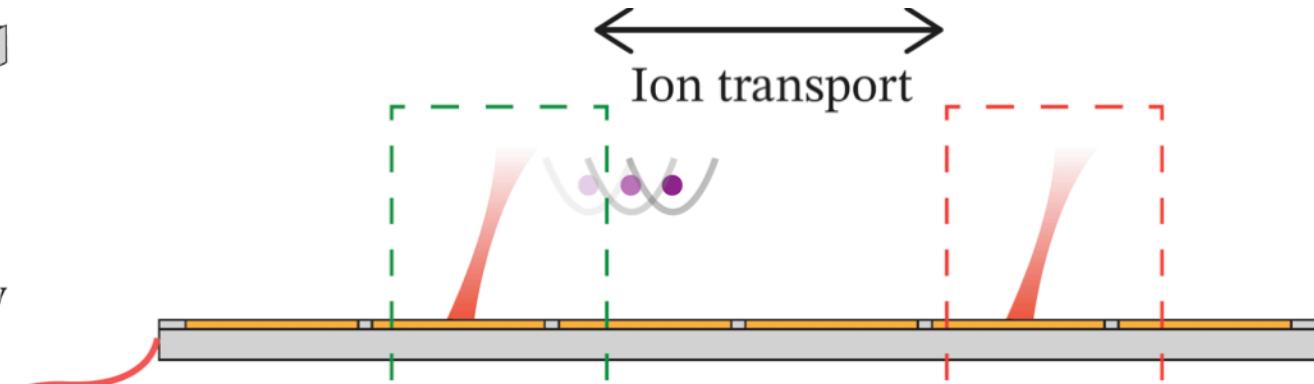
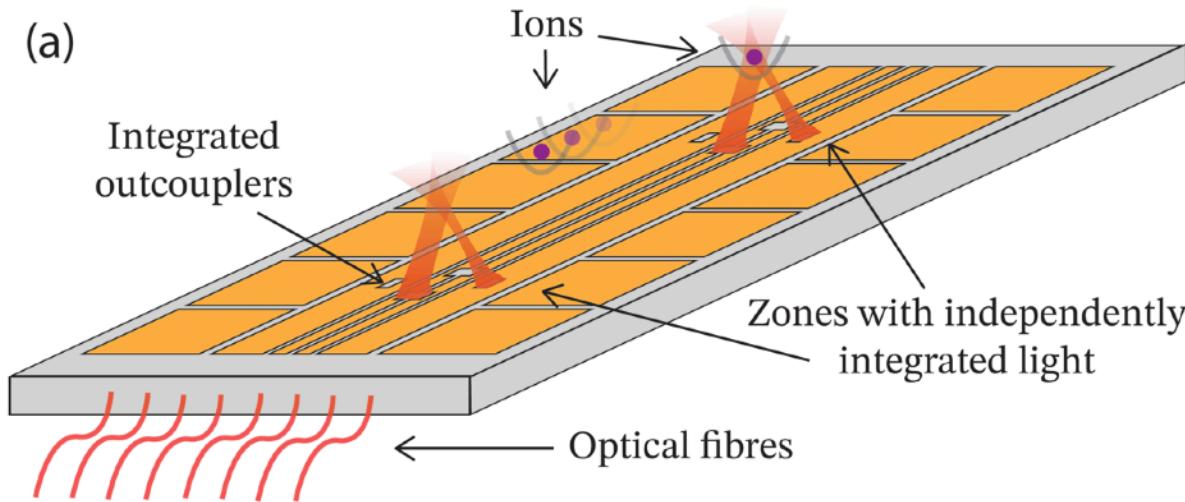
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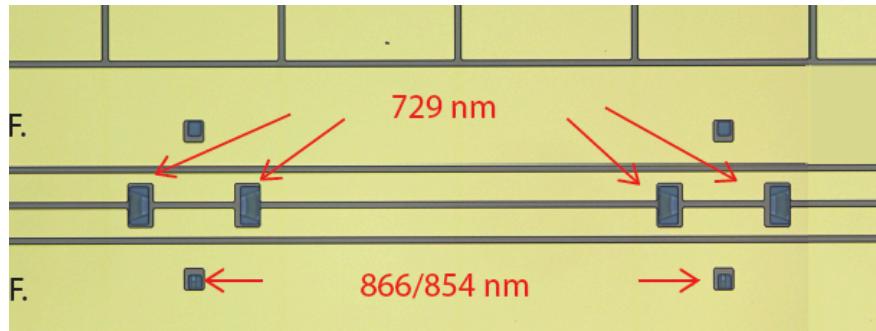
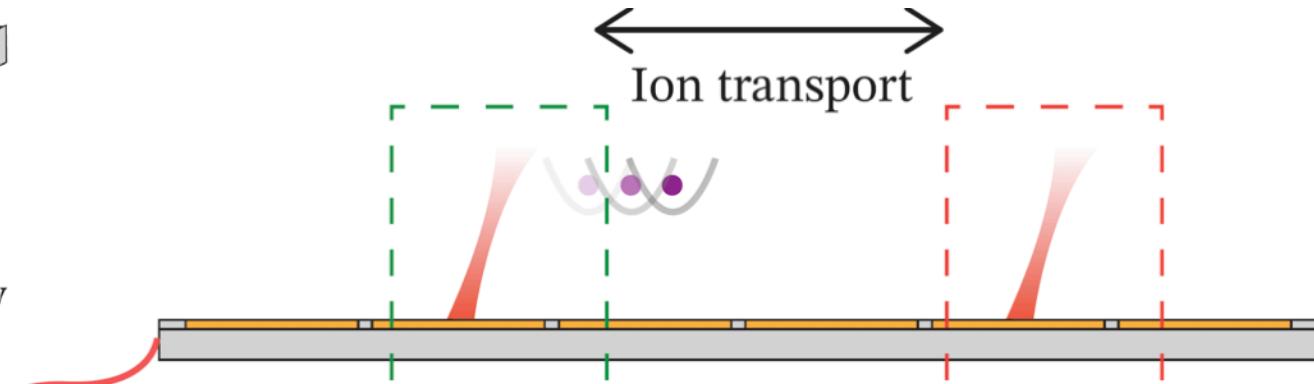
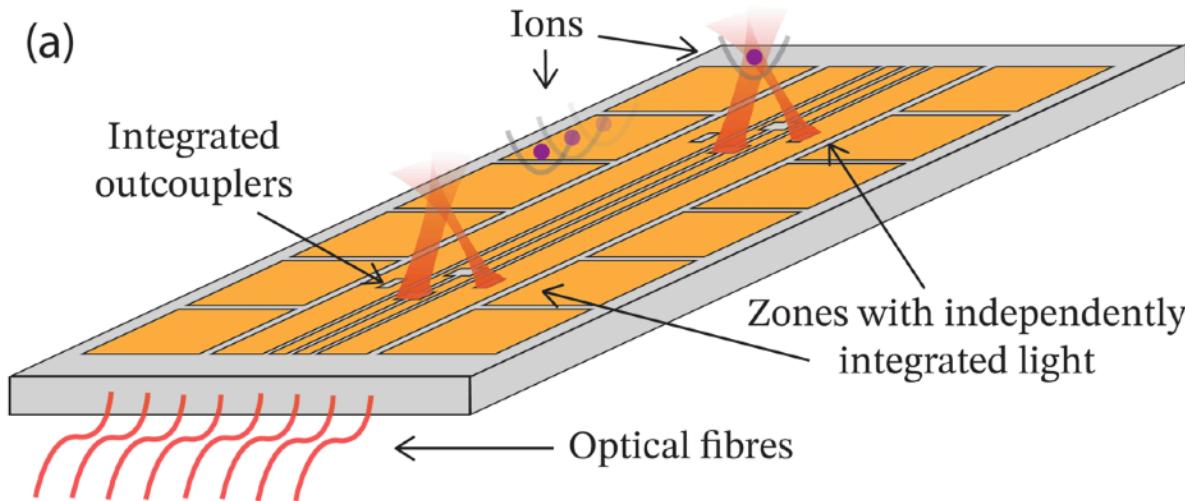
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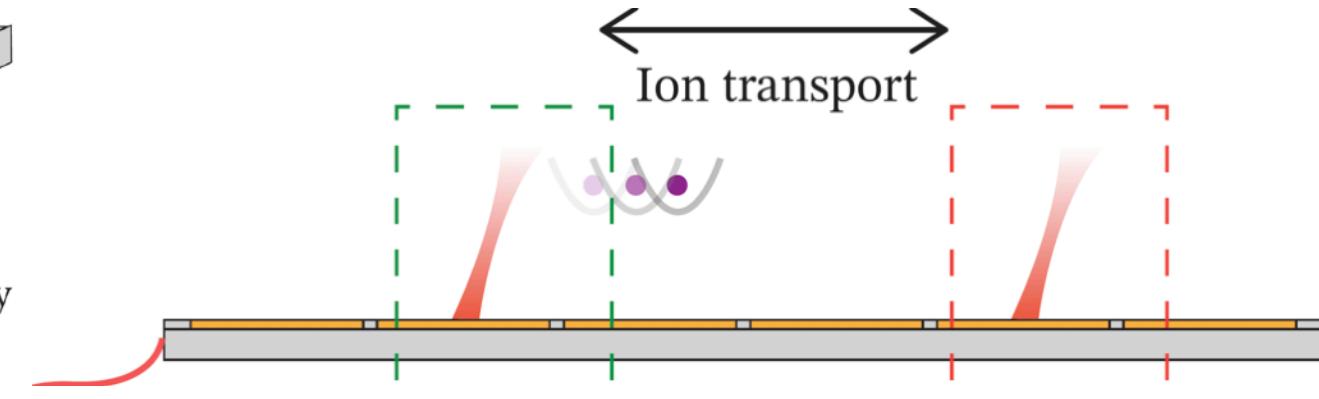
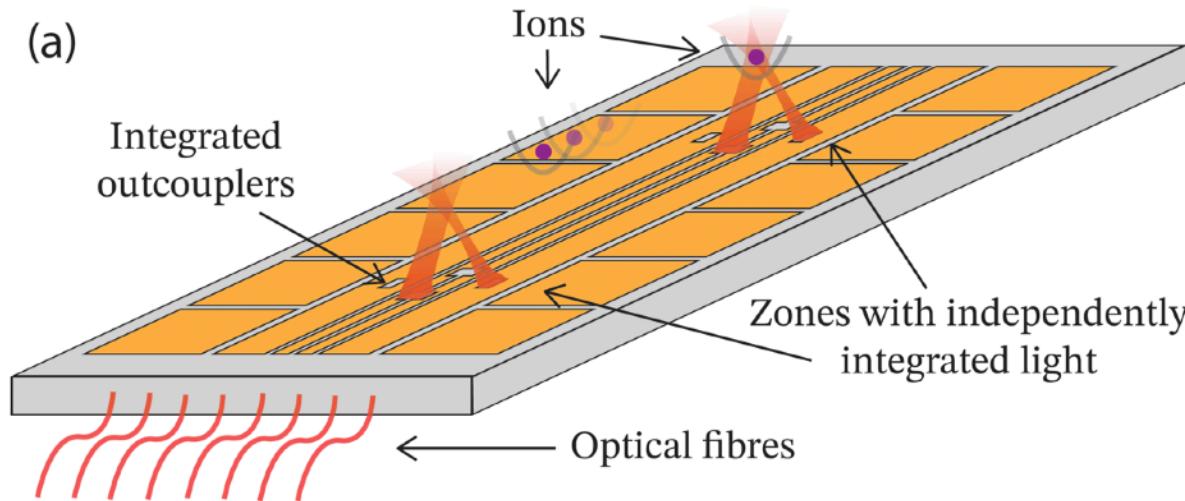


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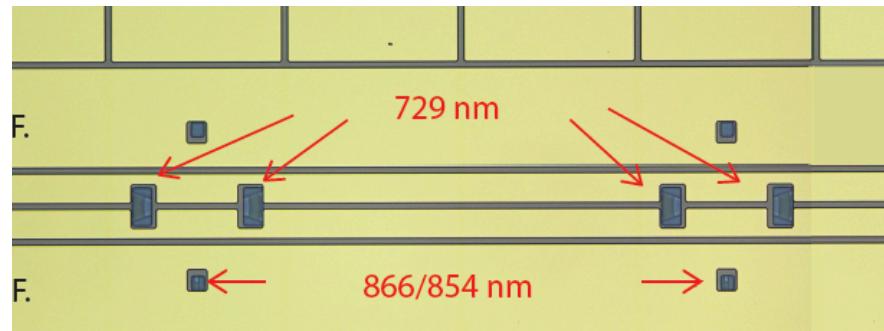
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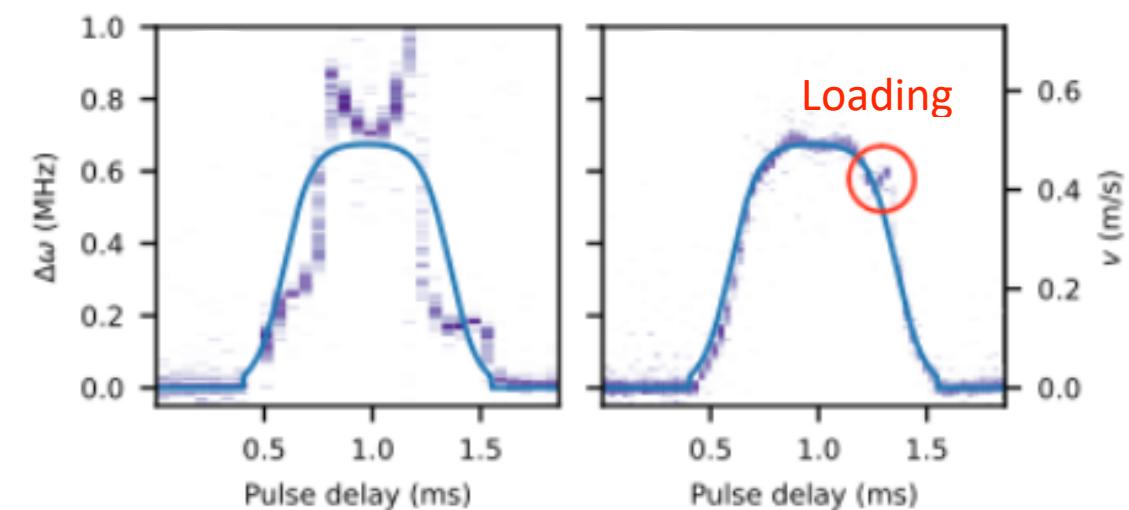
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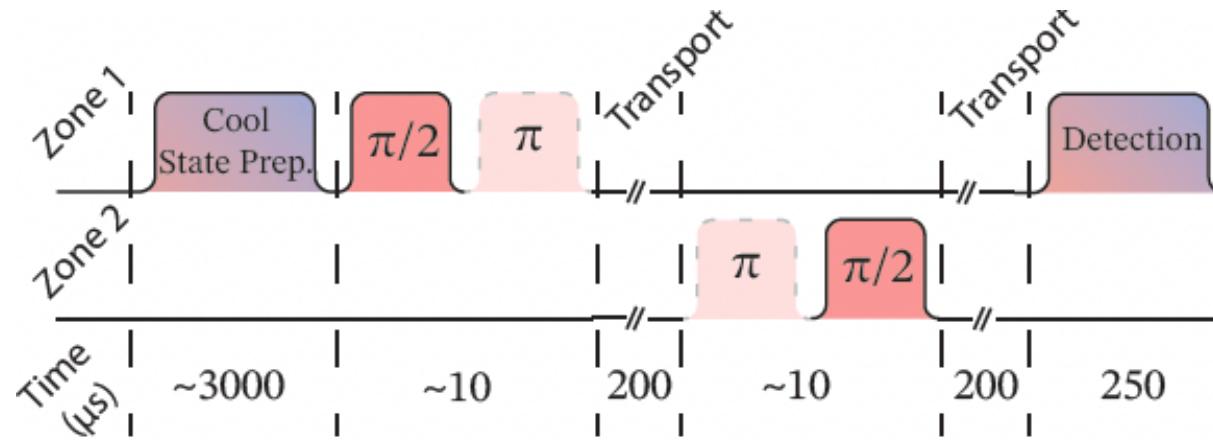


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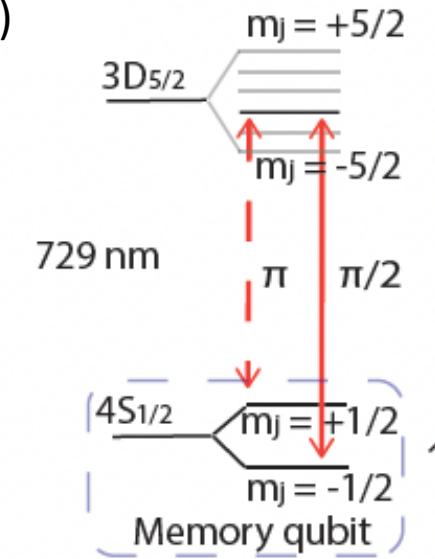
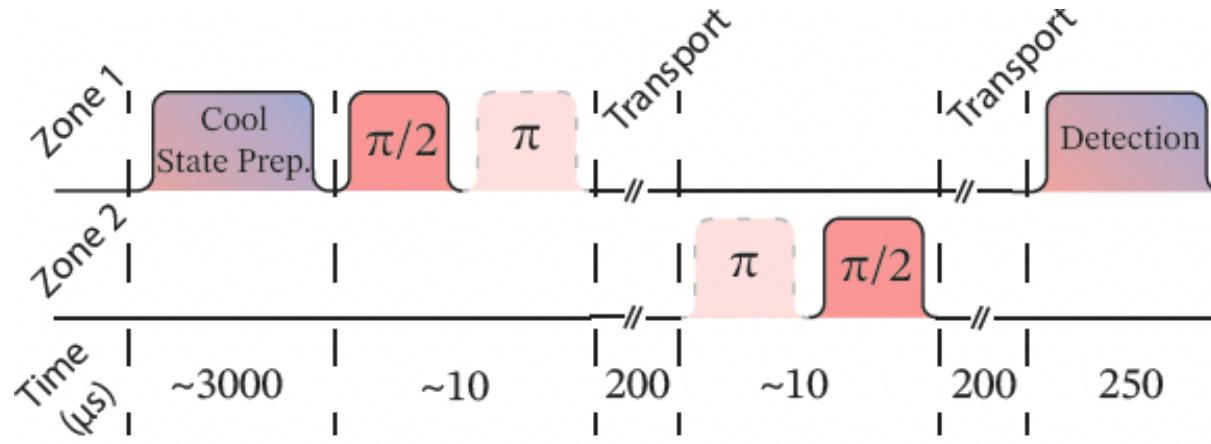
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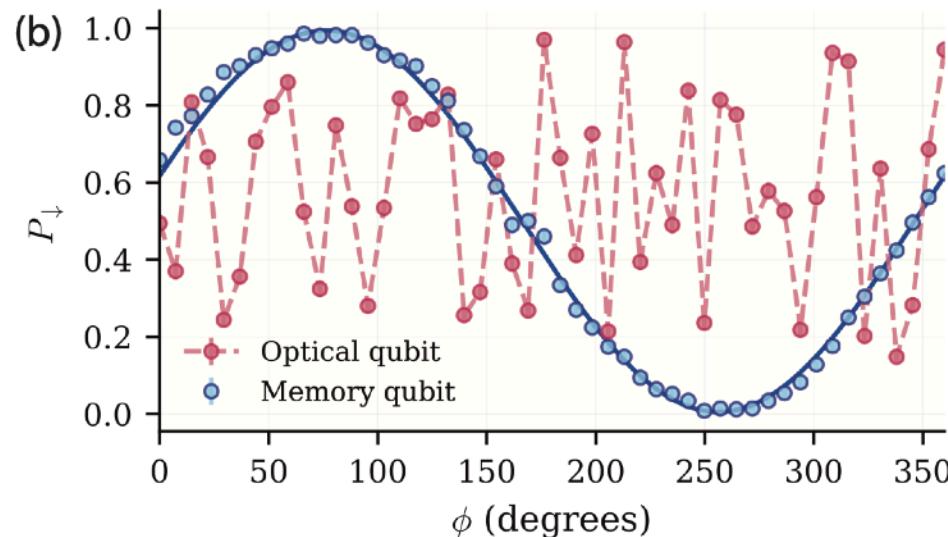
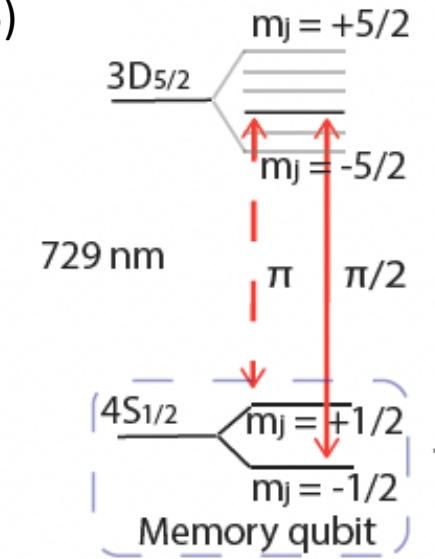
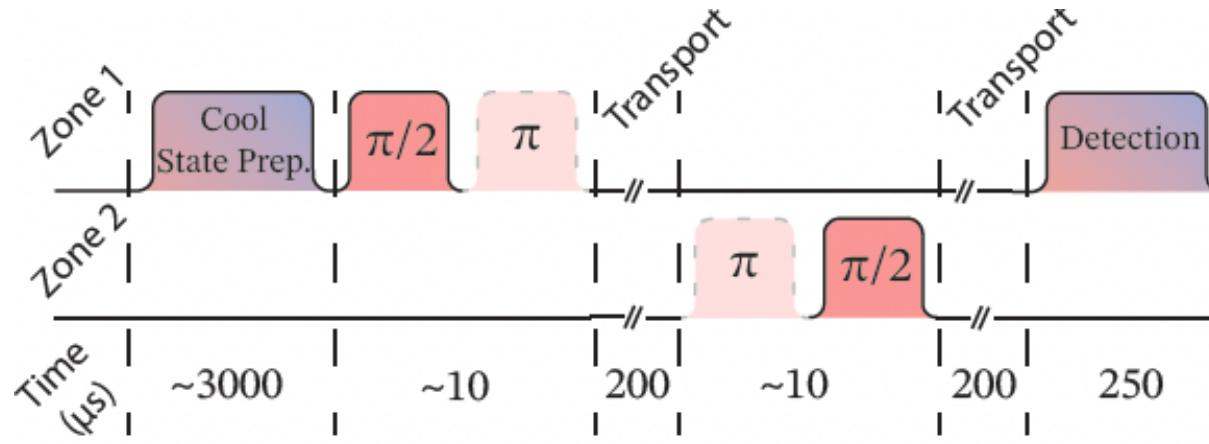
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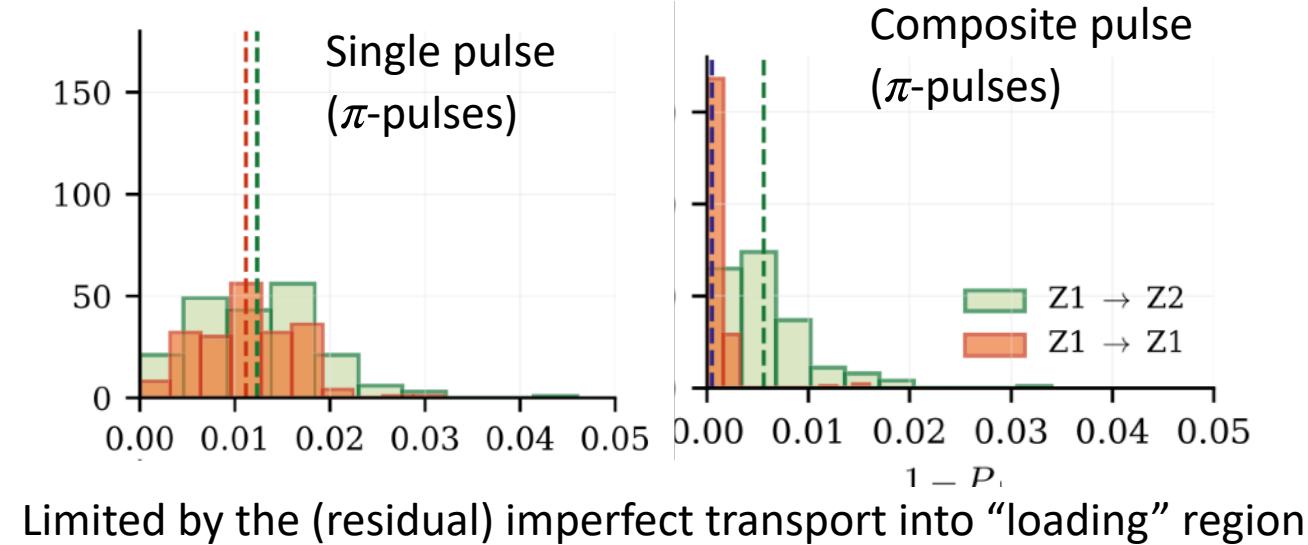
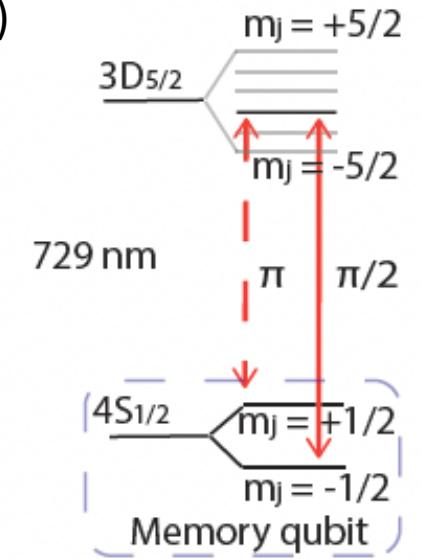
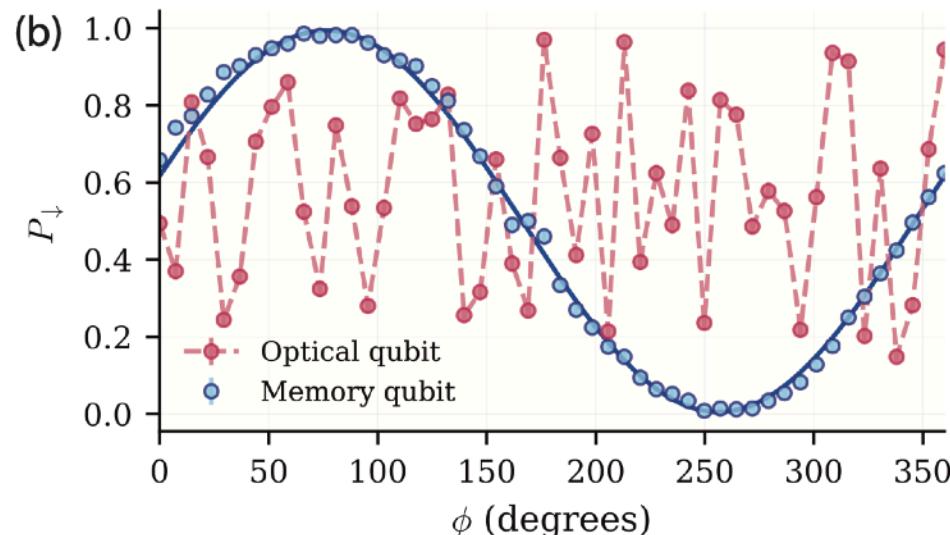
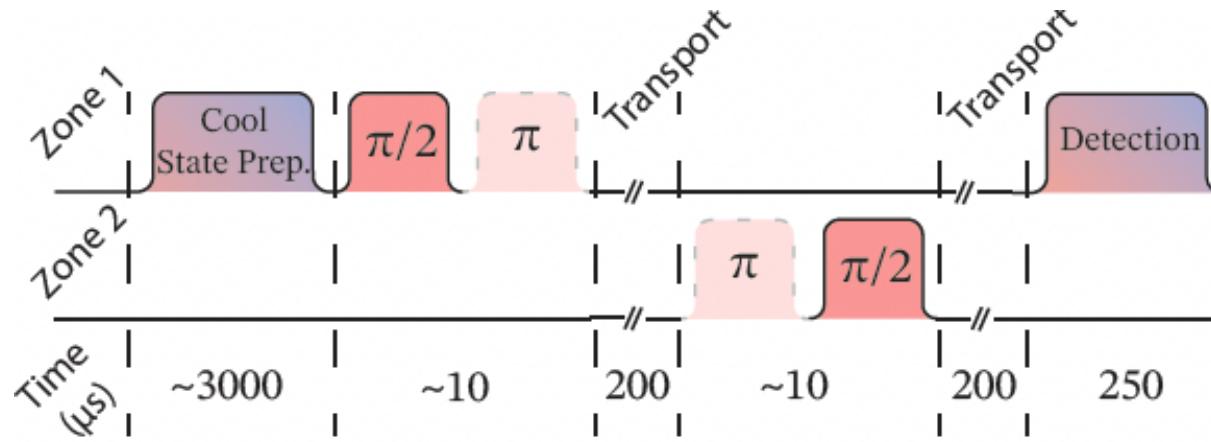
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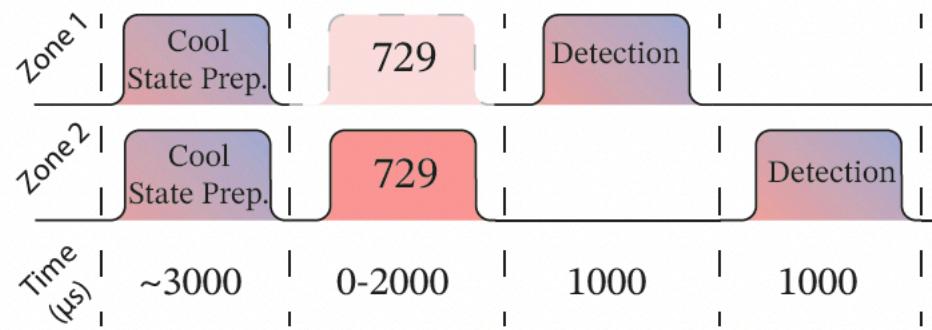
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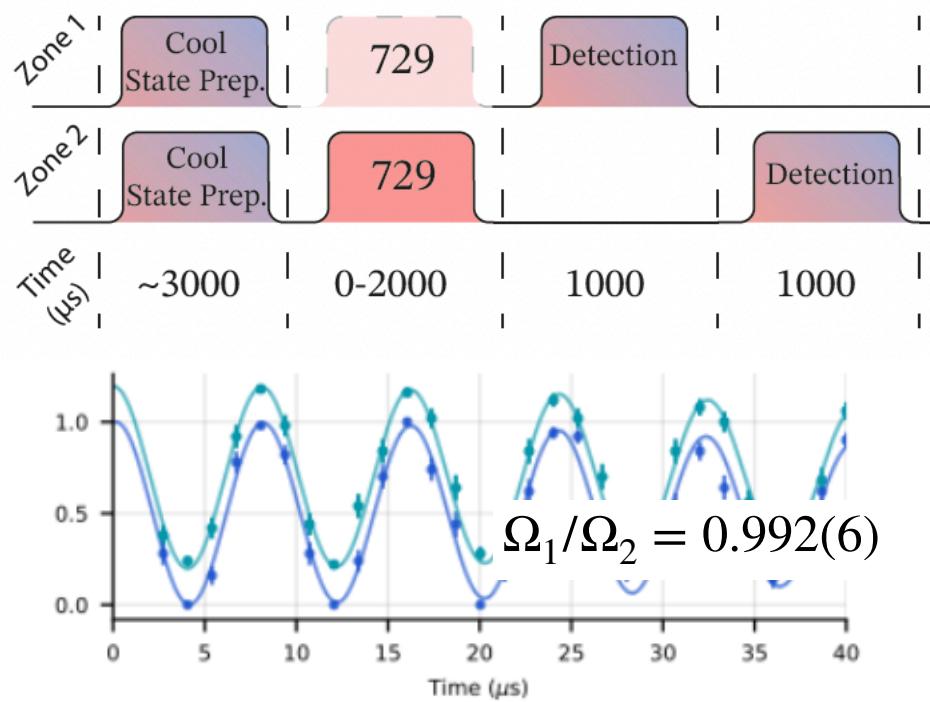
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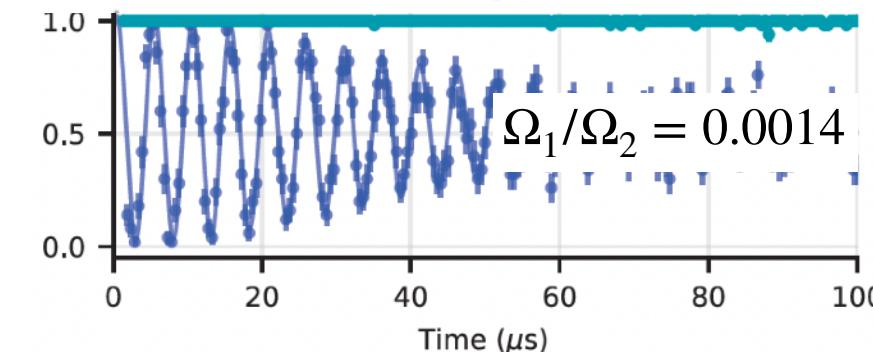
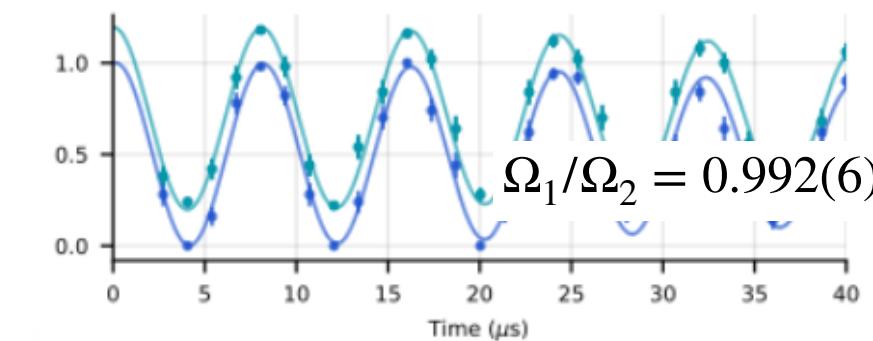
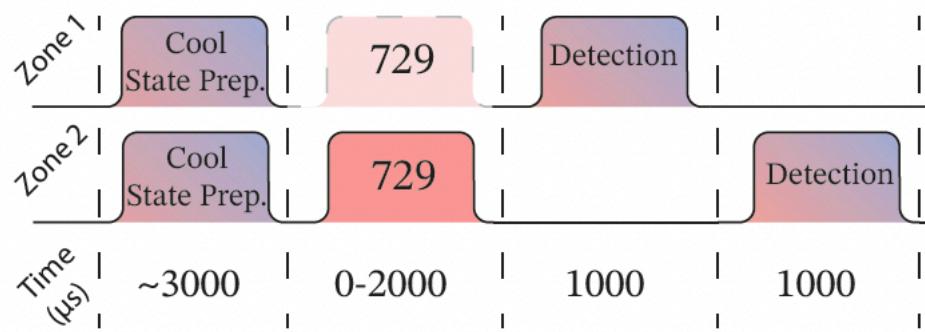
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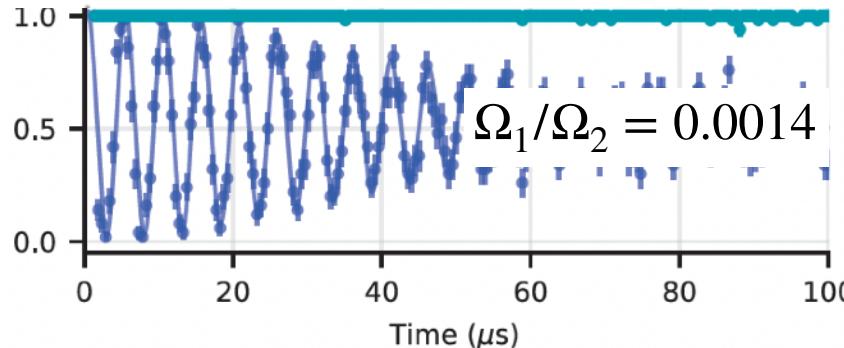
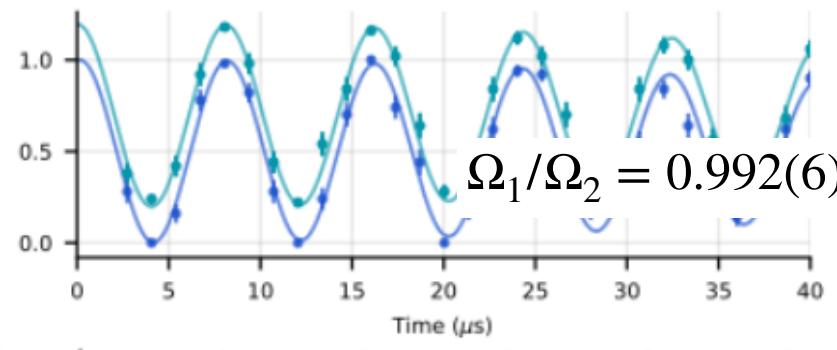
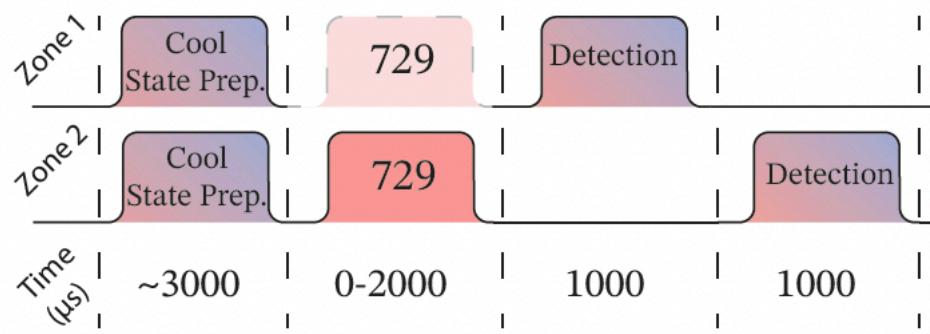
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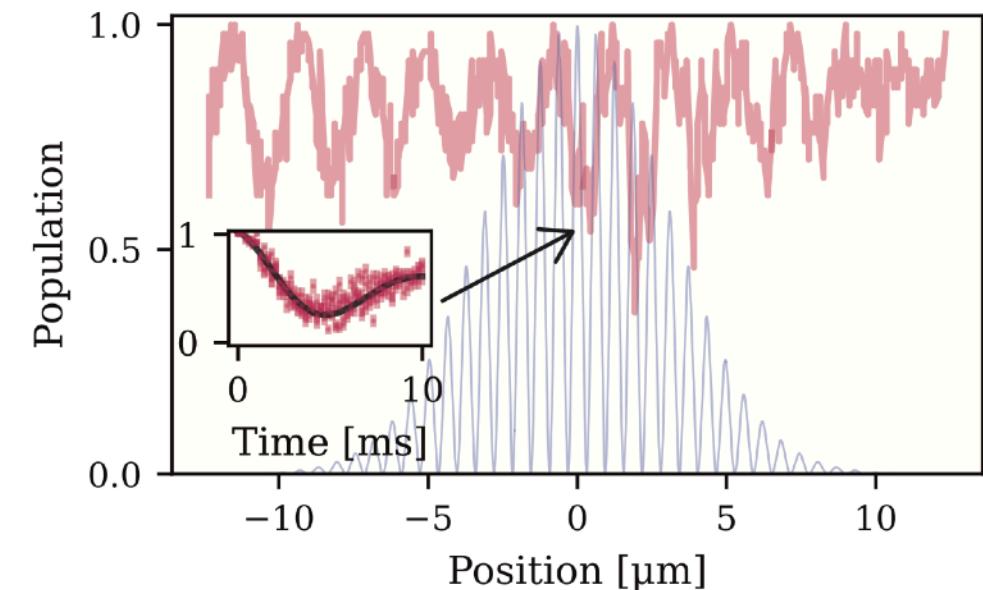
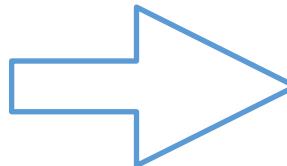
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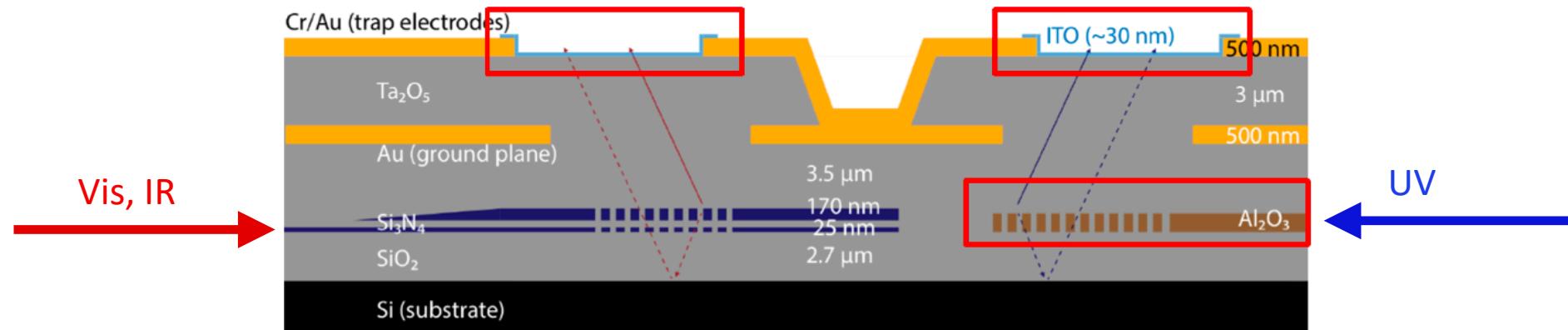
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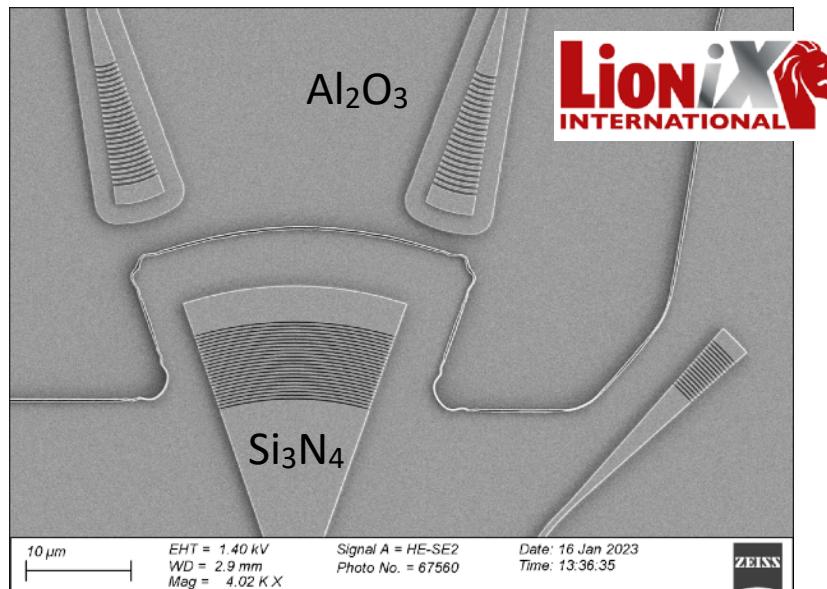
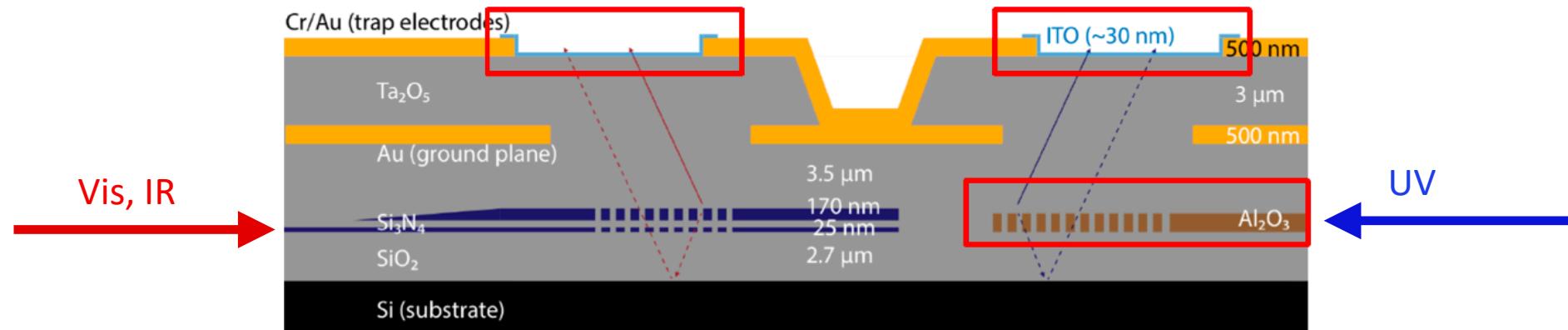
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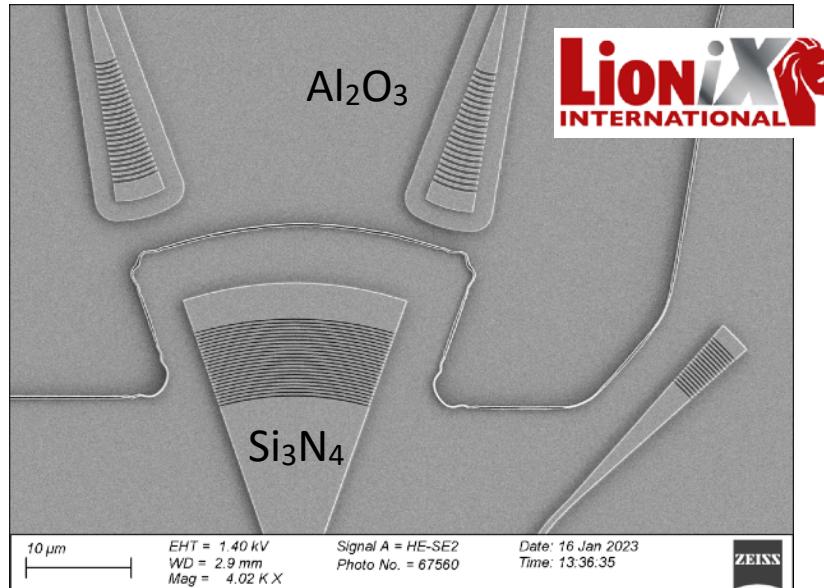
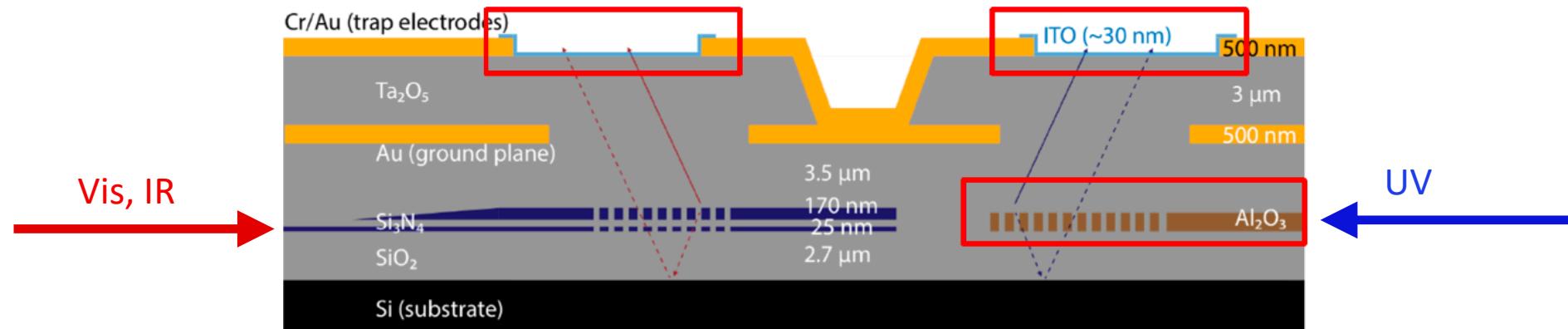
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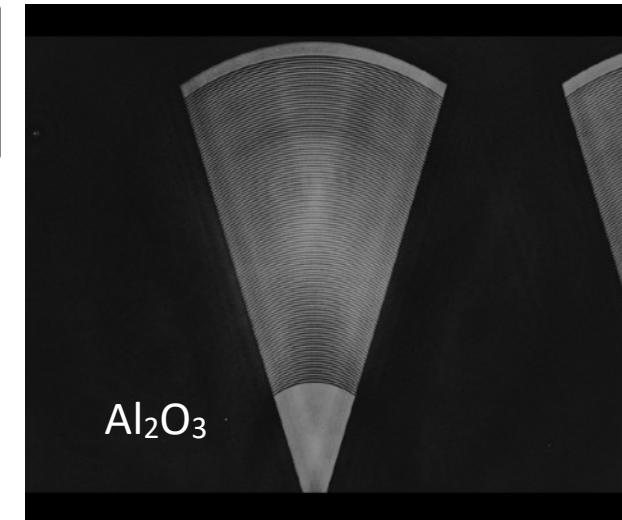


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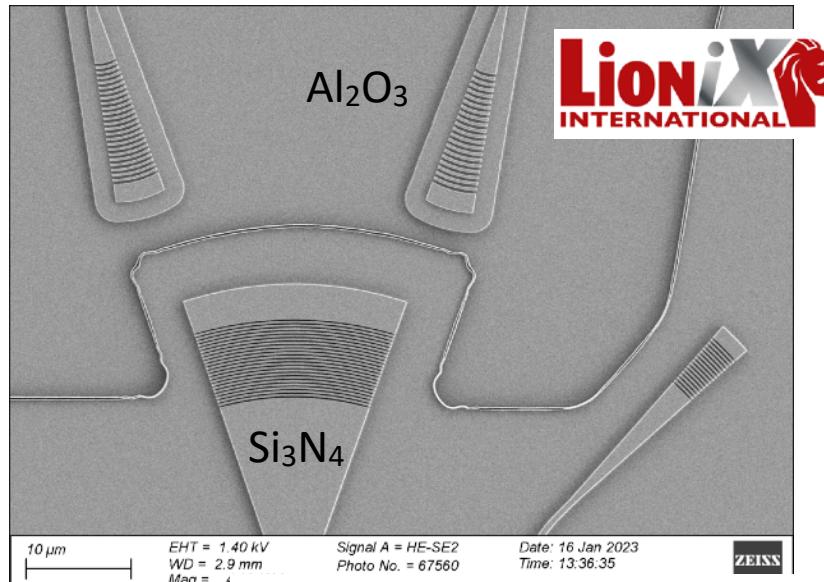
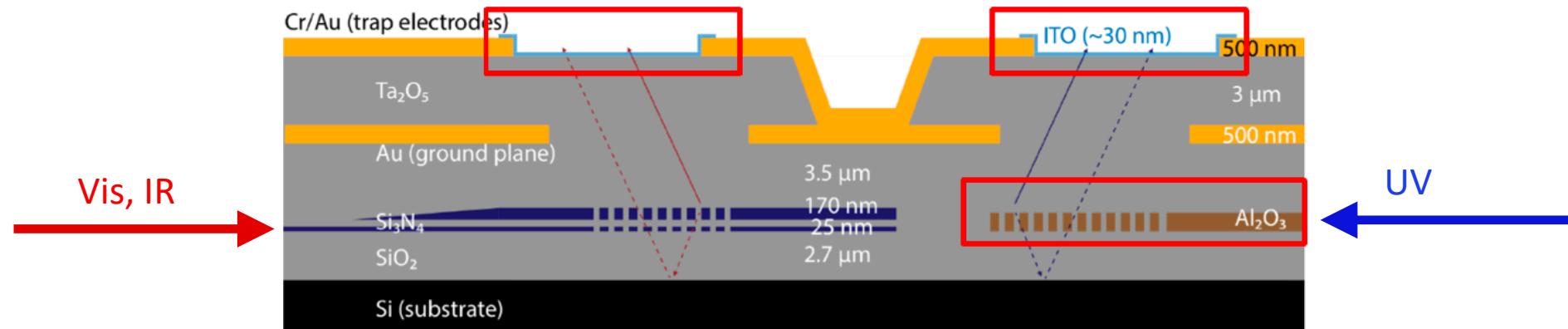


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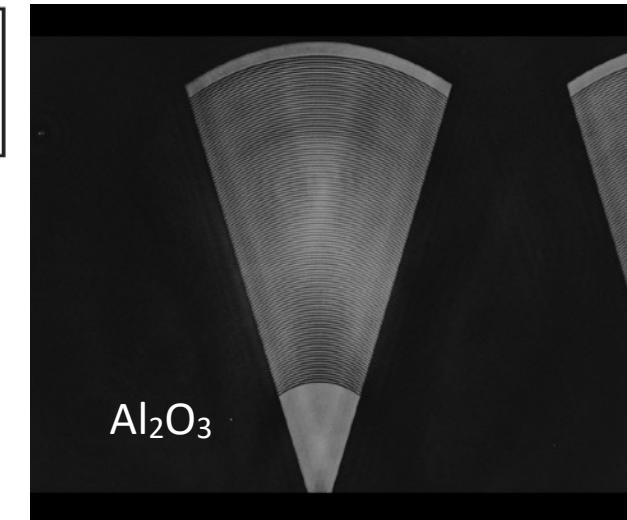


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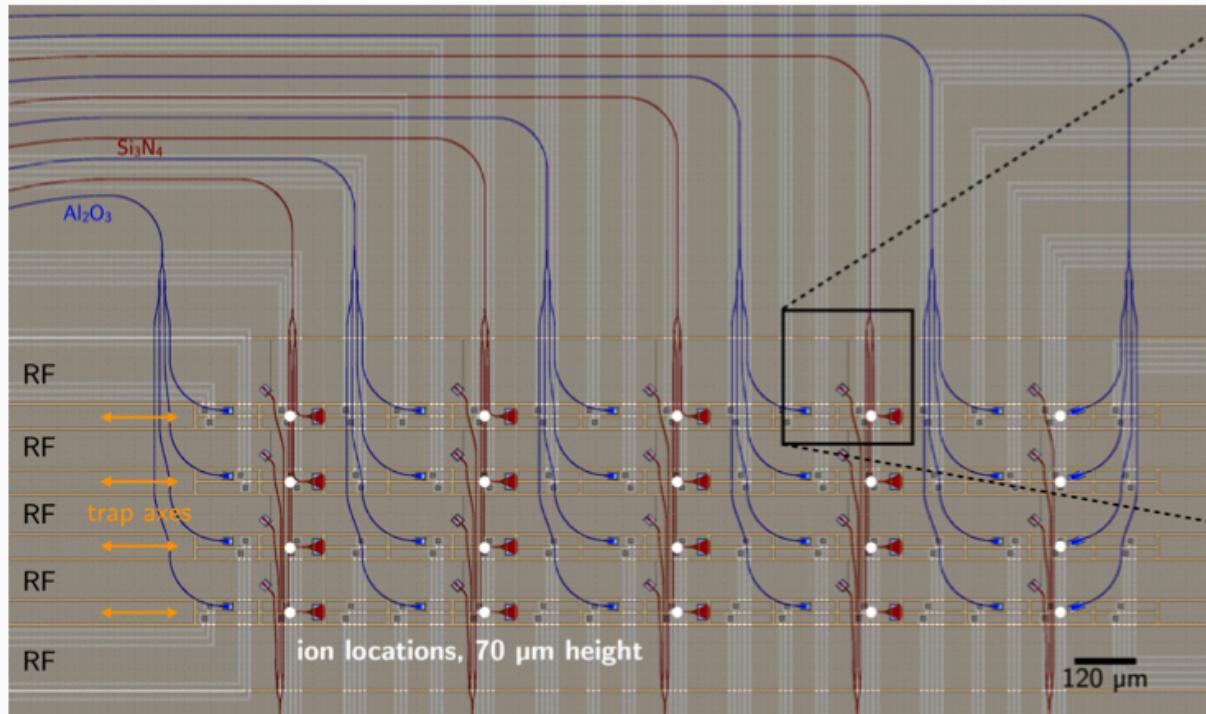
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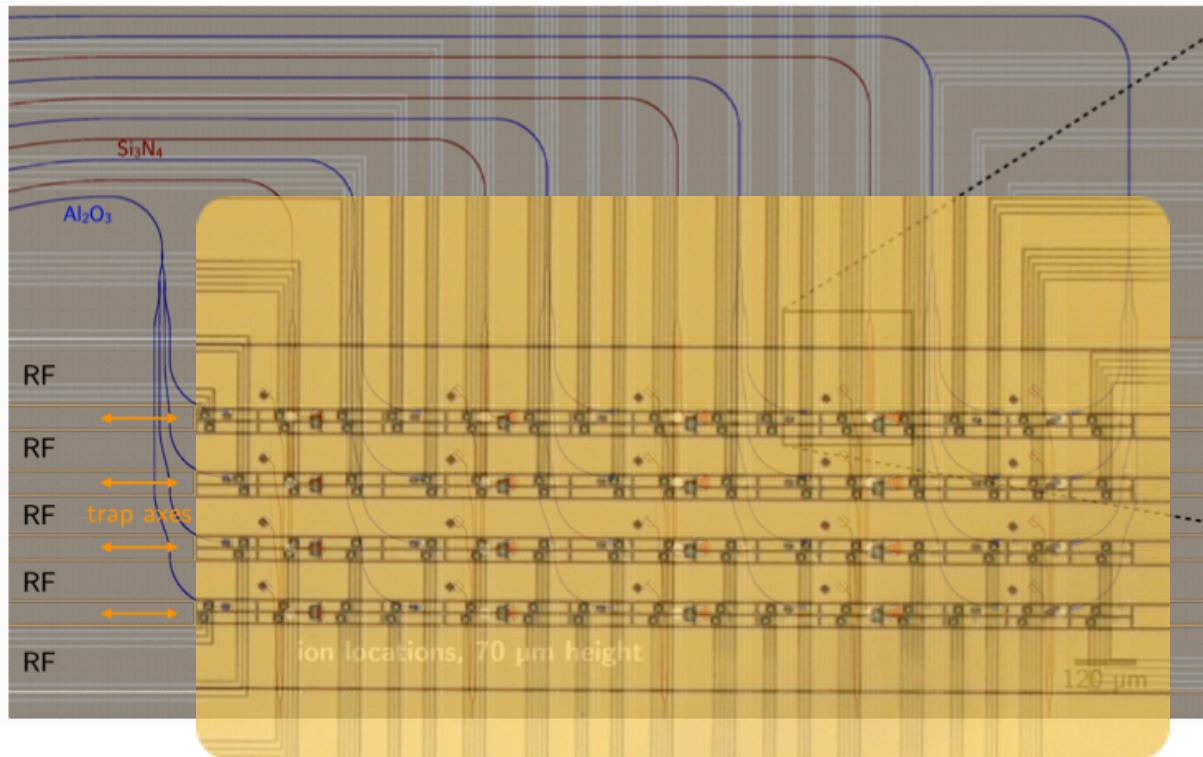
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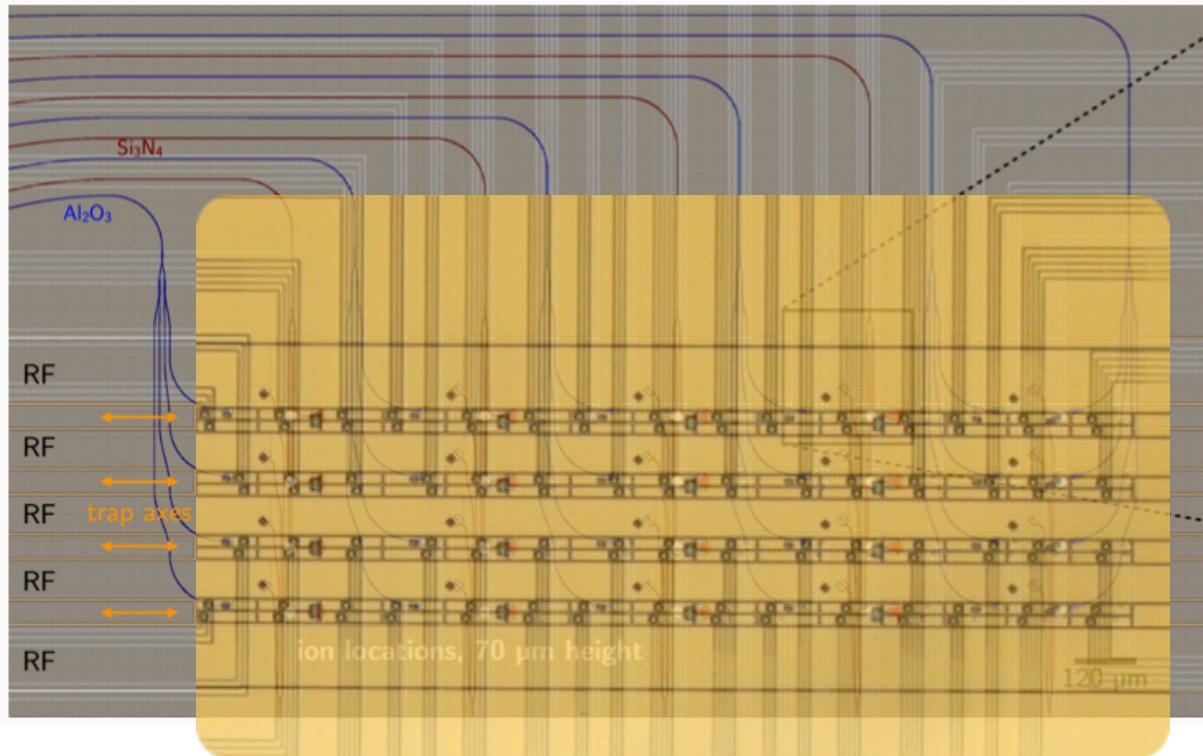
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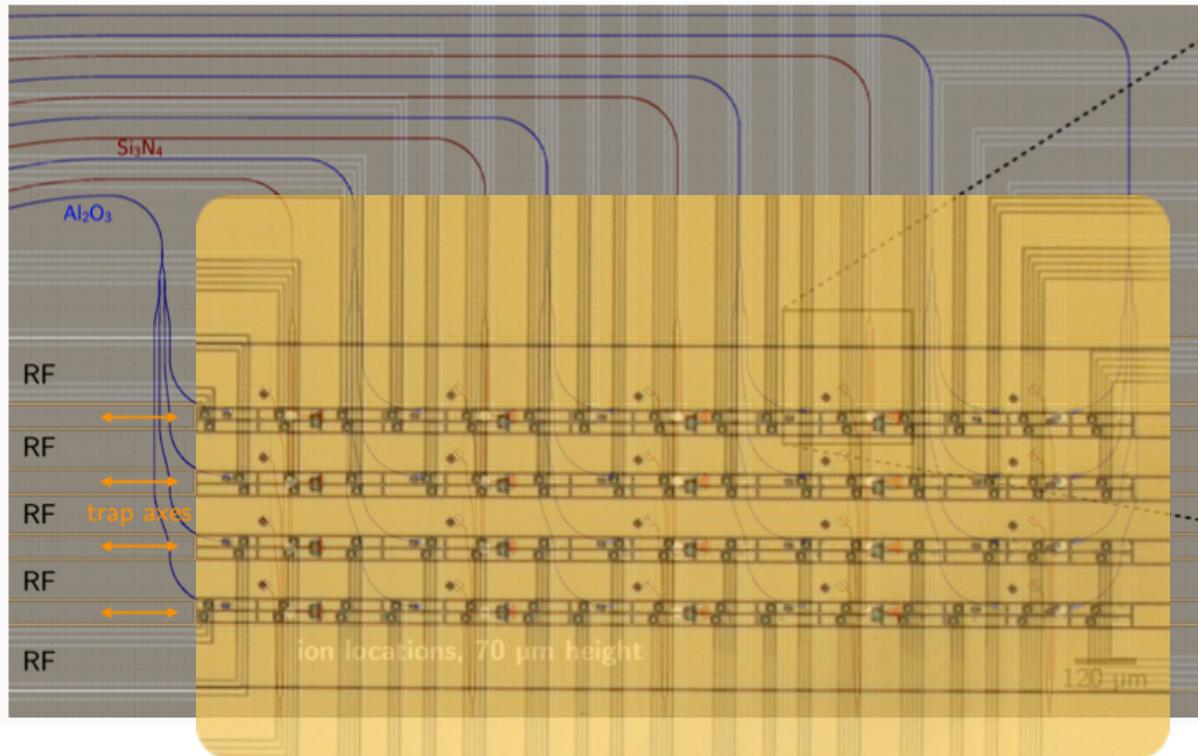


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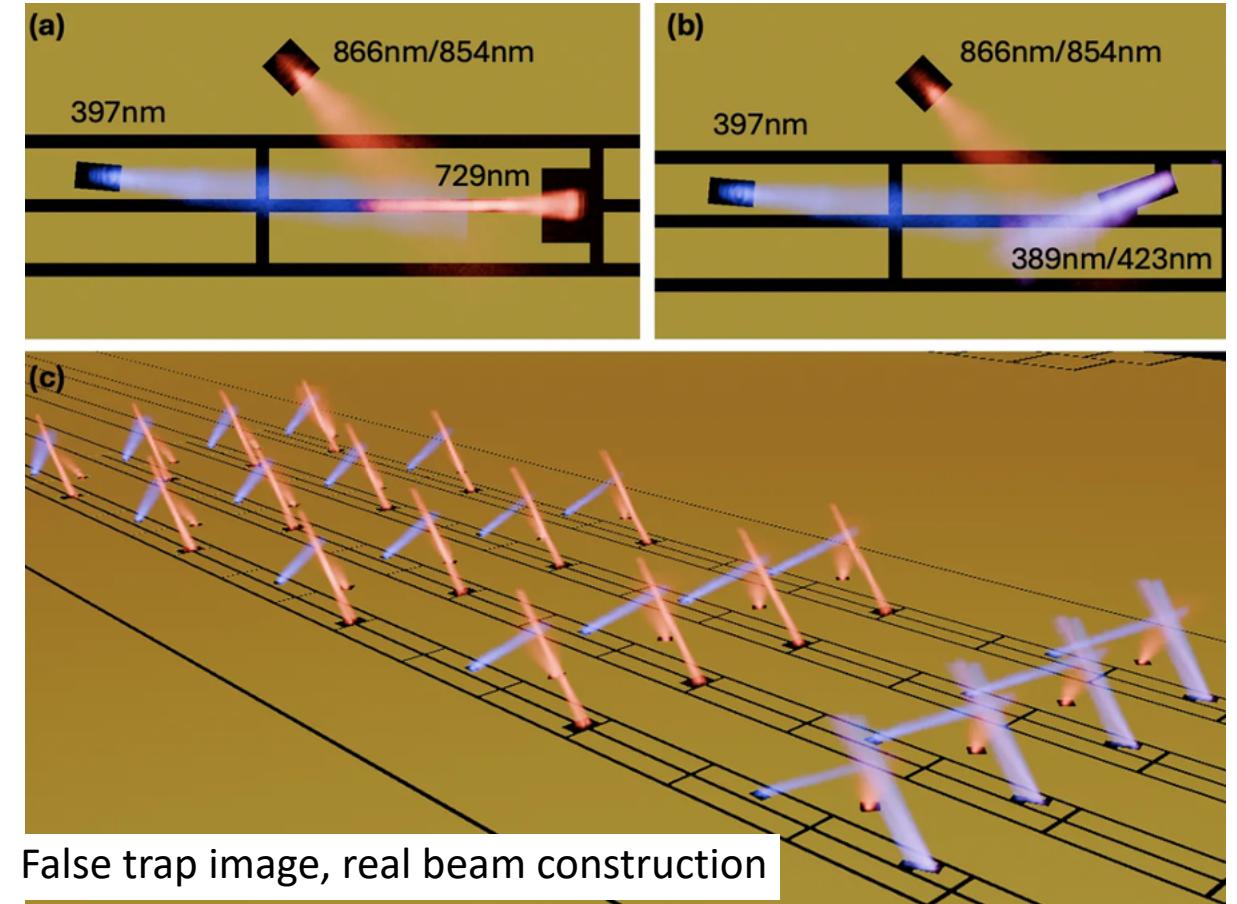
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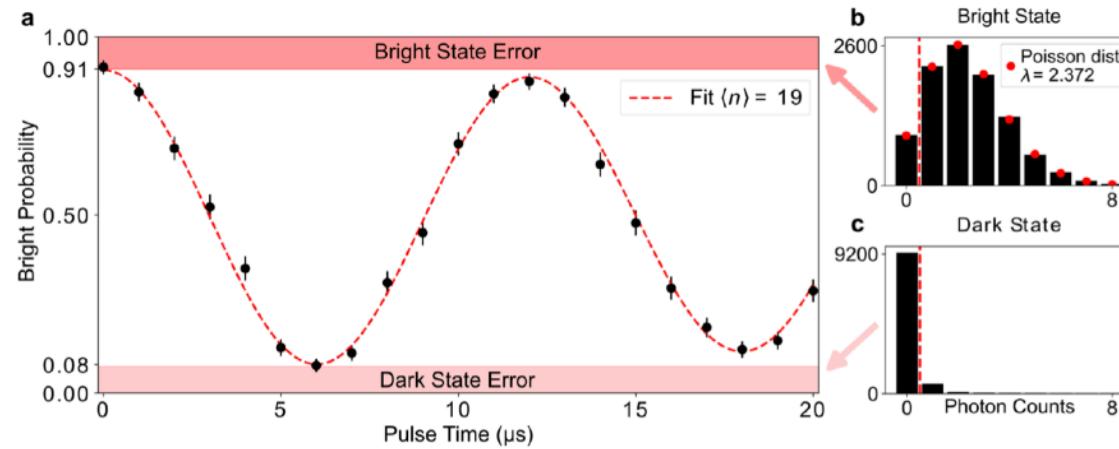
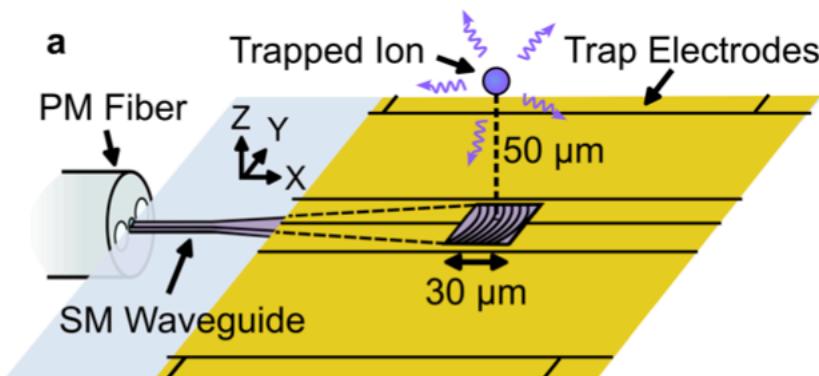
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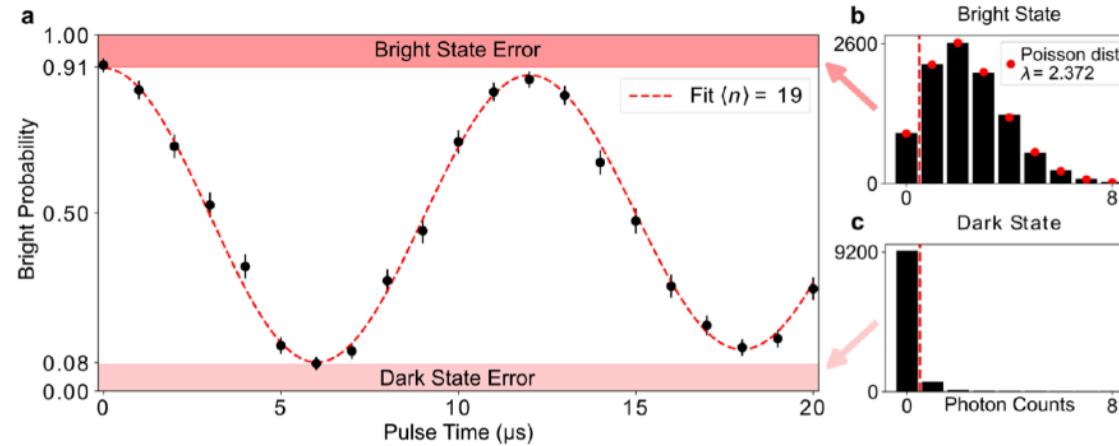
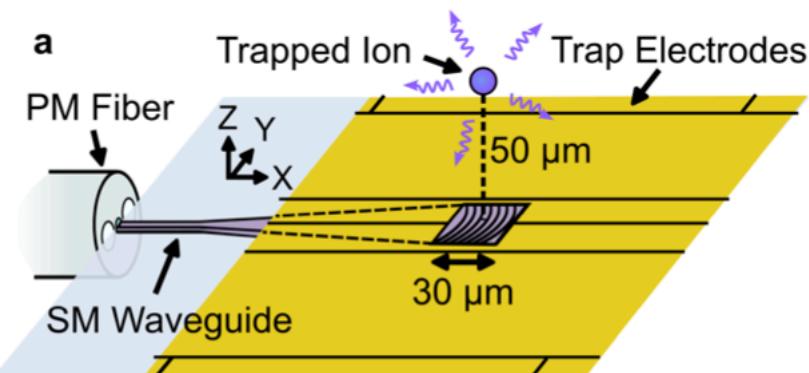
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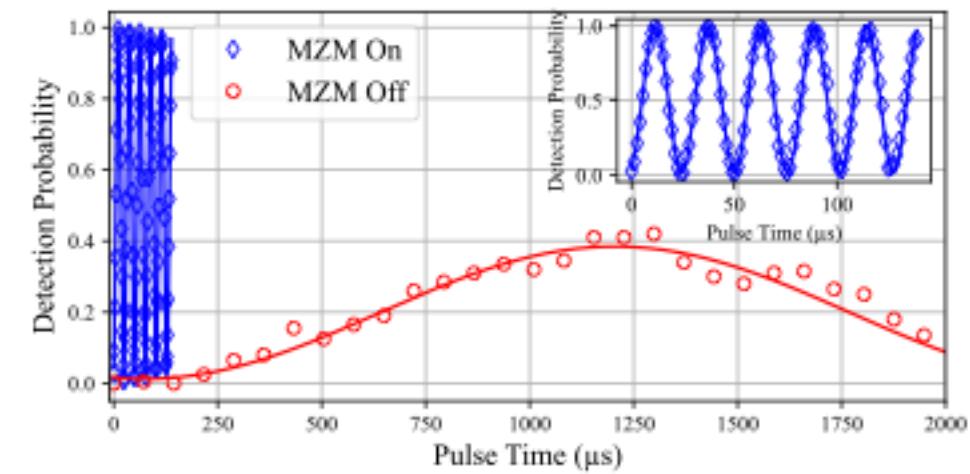
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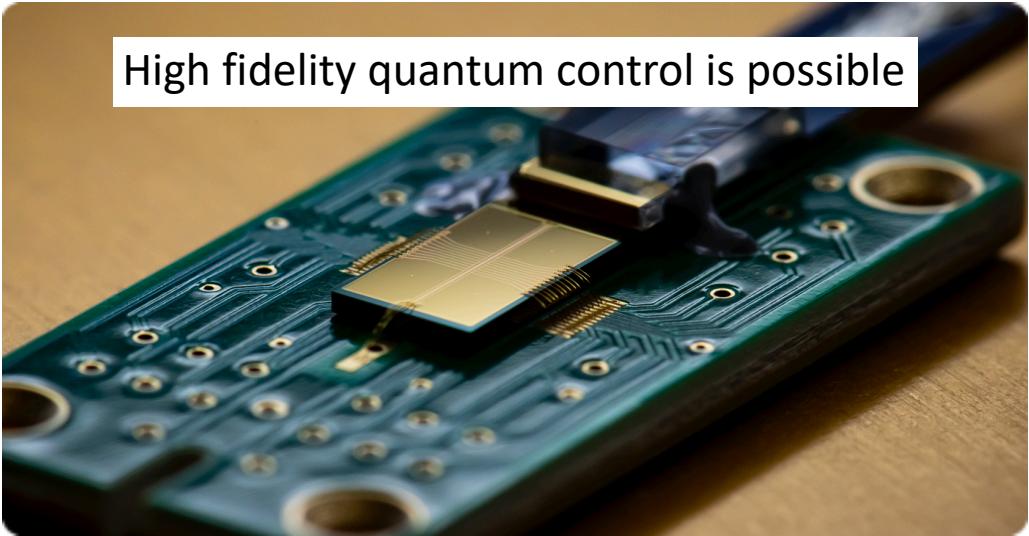
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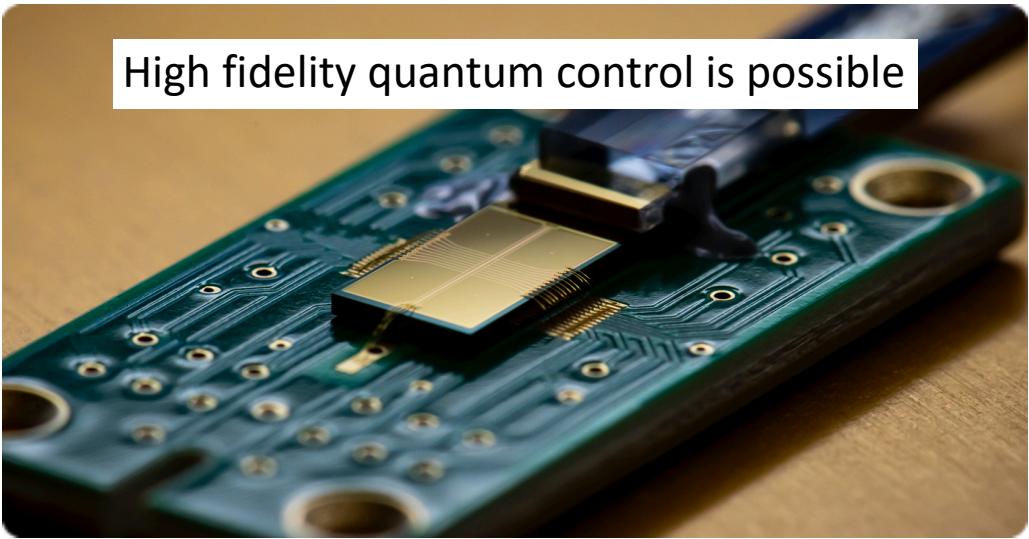
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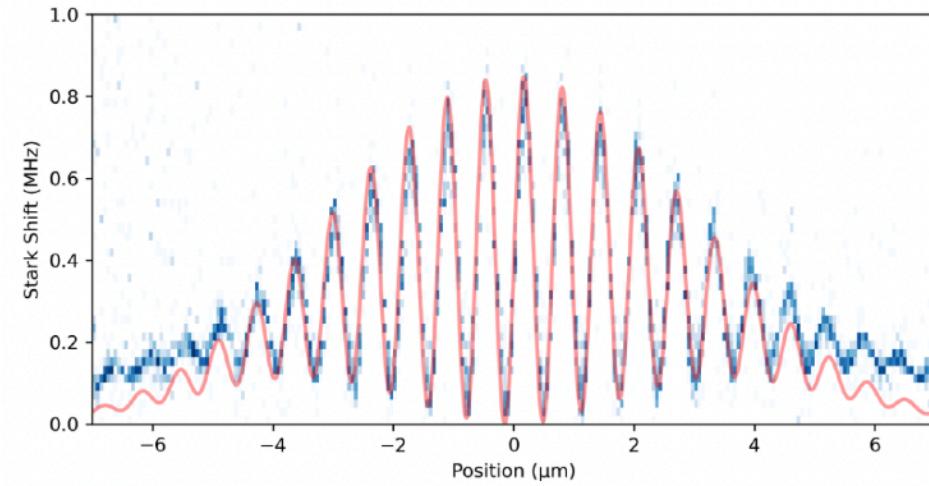


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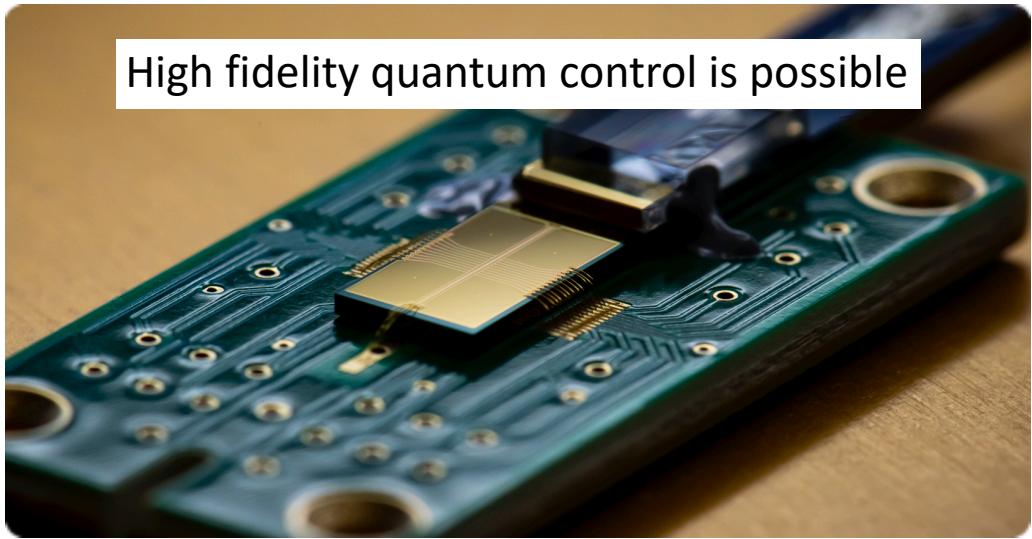


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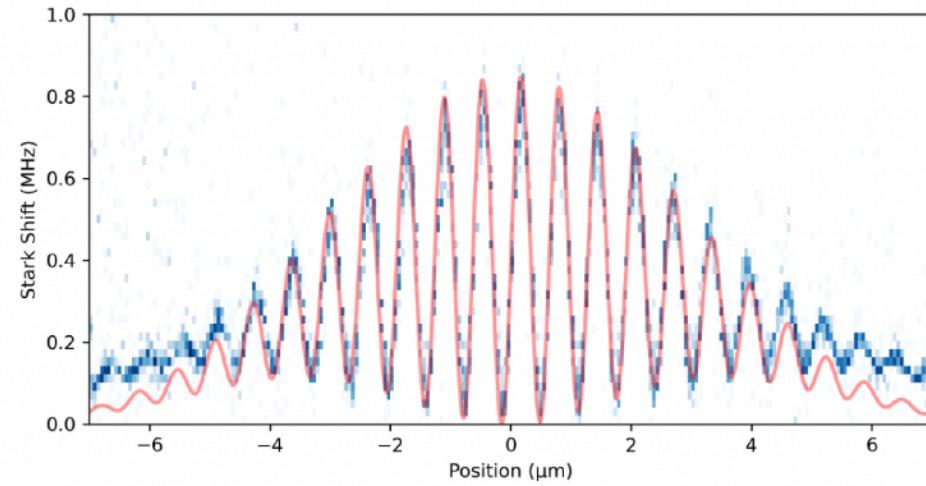


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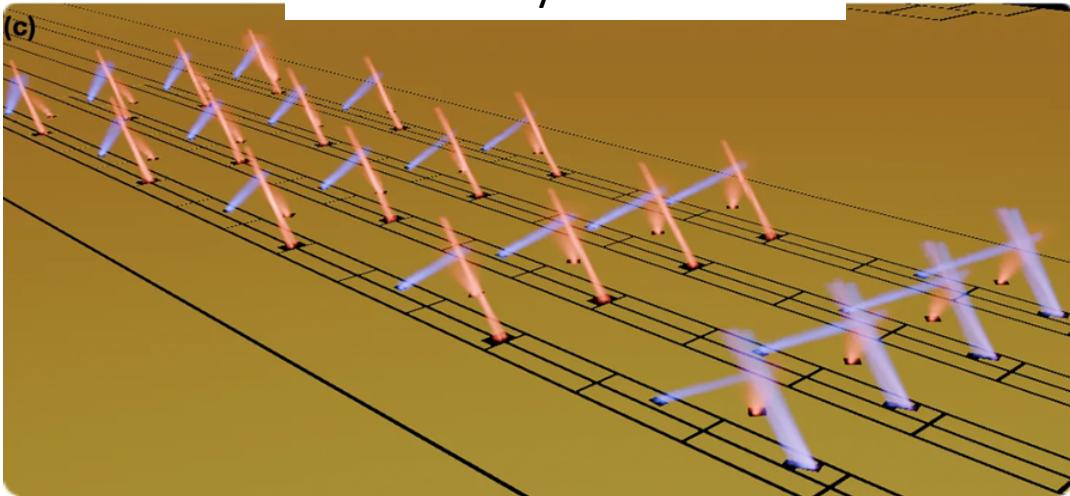
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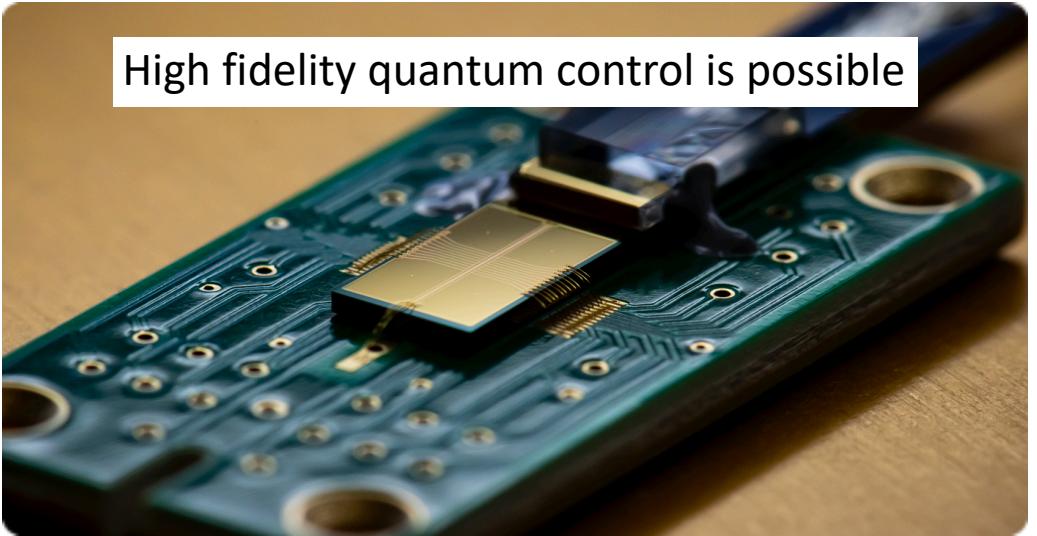


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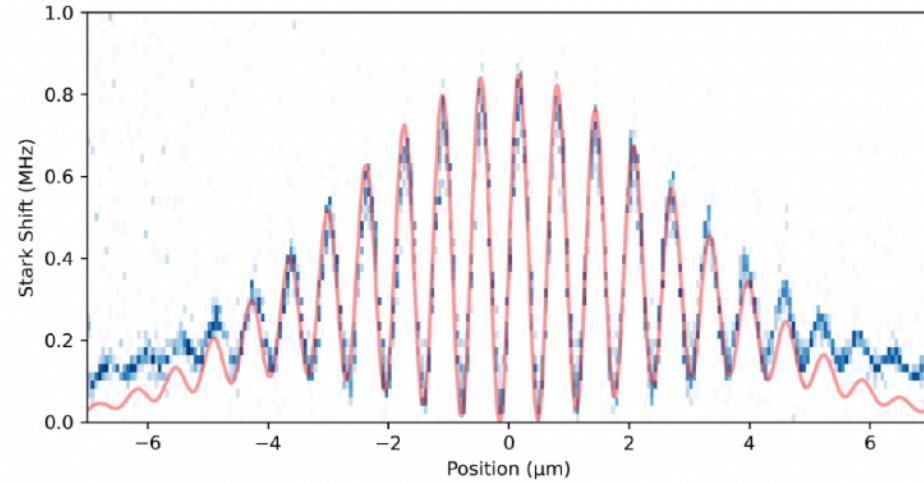


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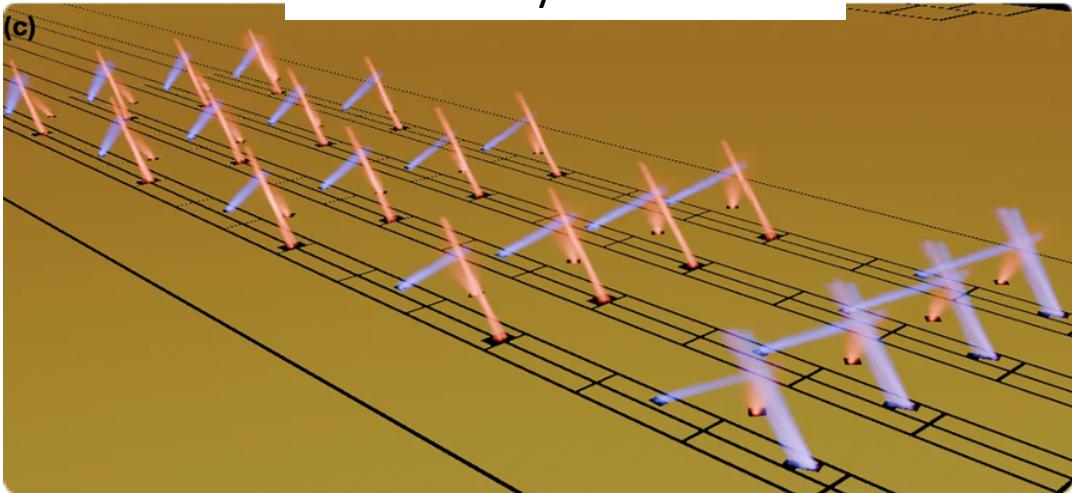
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Heating problems specific to integrated optics chips?

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Materials for UV photonics?

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