

Rydberg atoms in Bose-Einstein condensed environments

from bubble chambers to controllable open quantum systems

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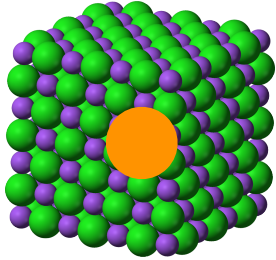
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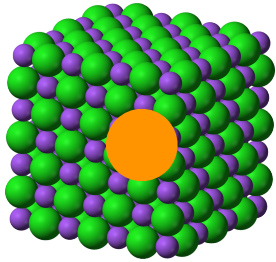


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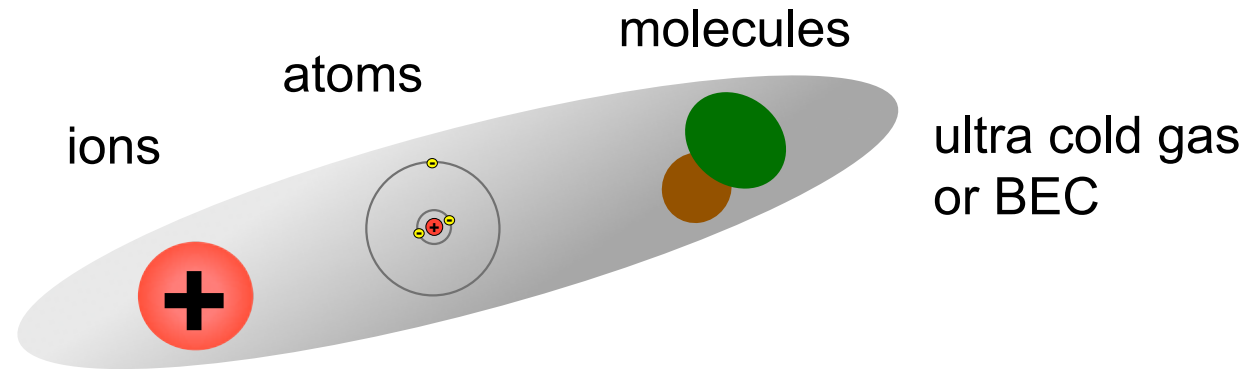


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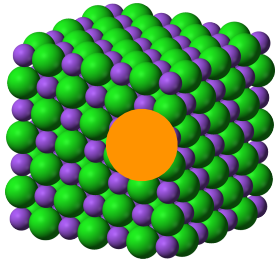
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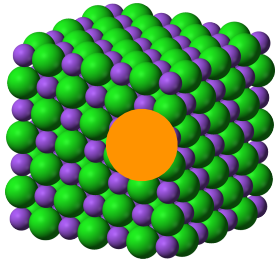
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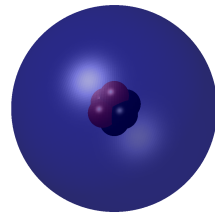
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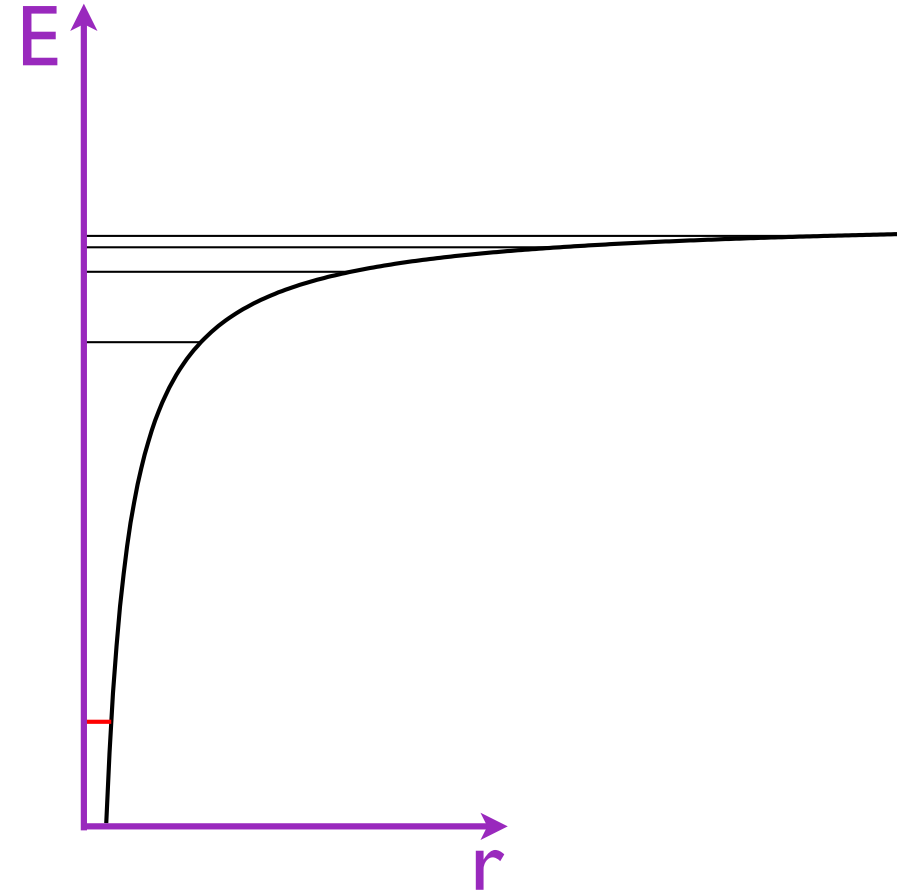
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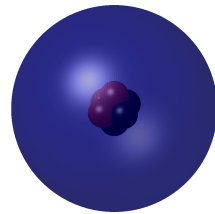


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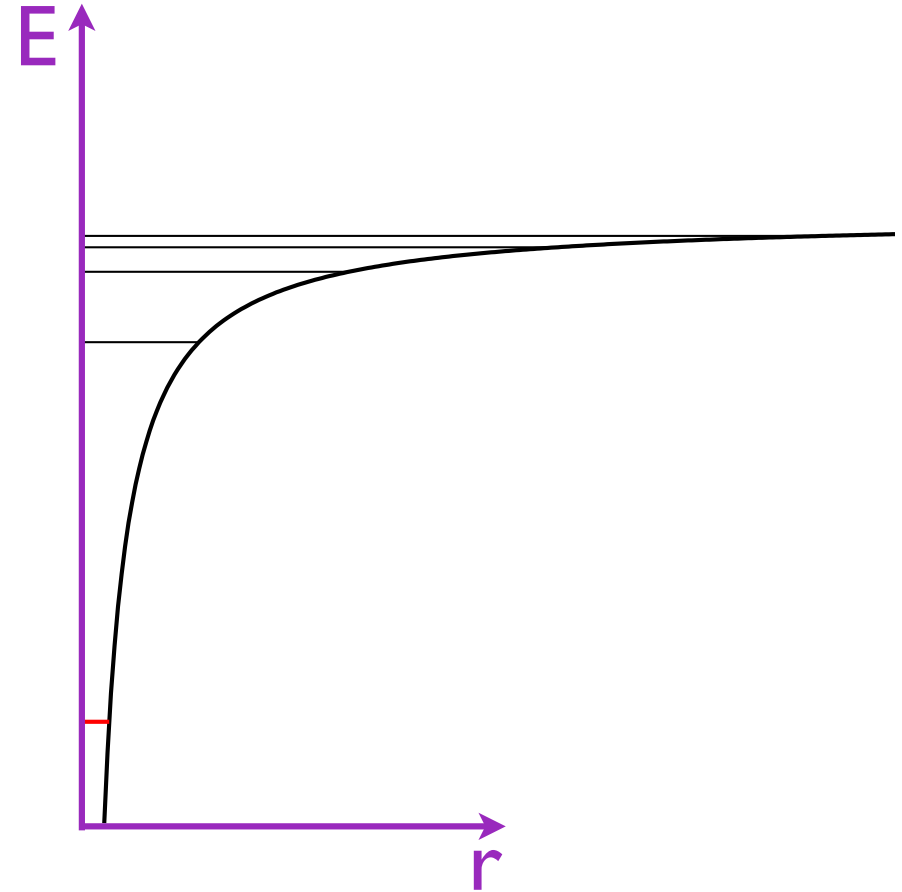
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$\longleftrightarrow 0.05 \text{ nm}$

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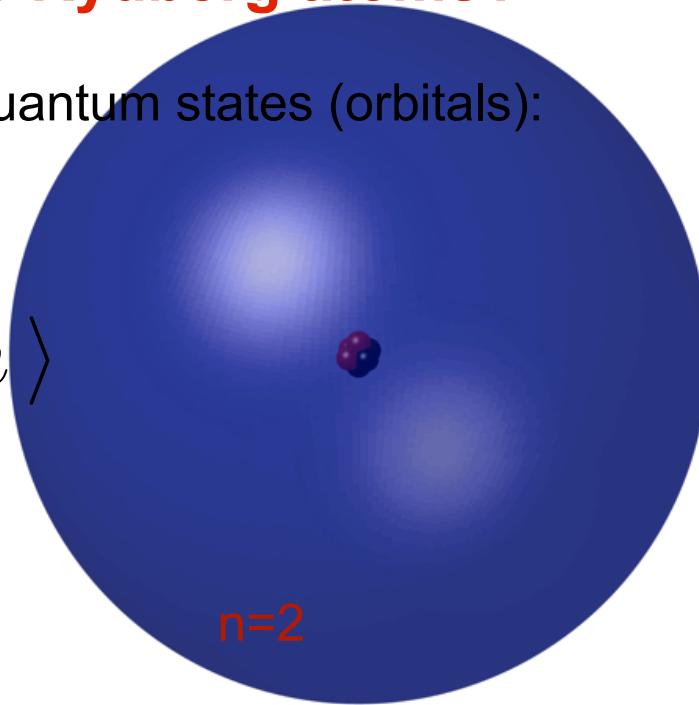


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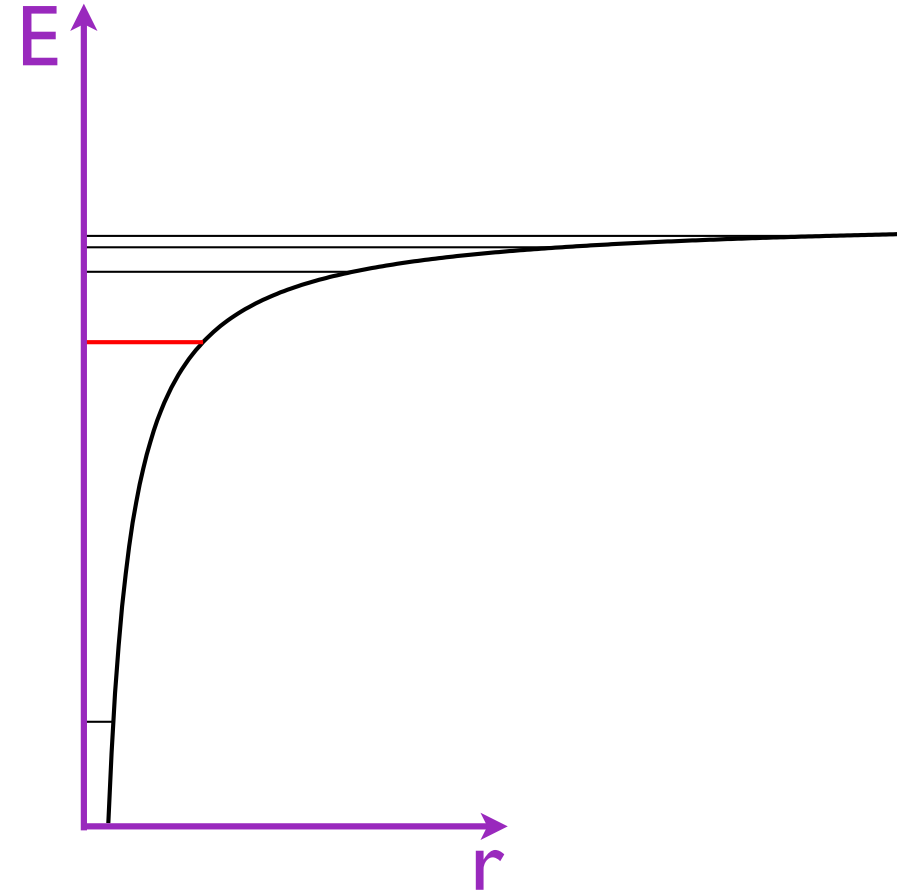
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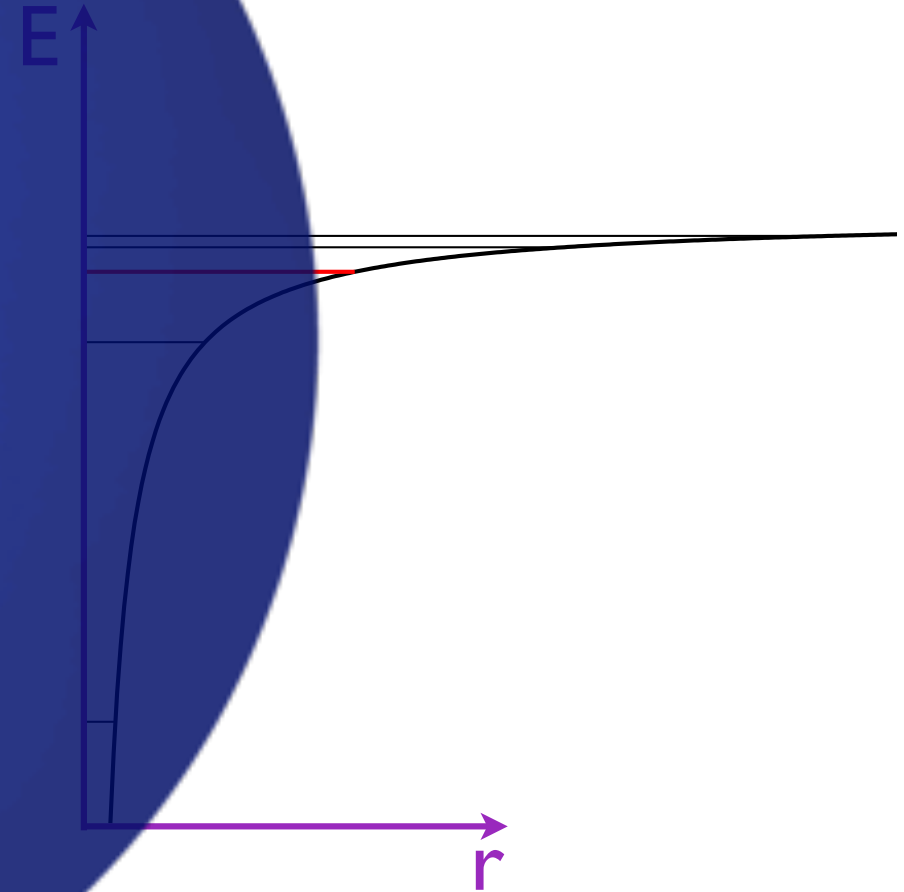
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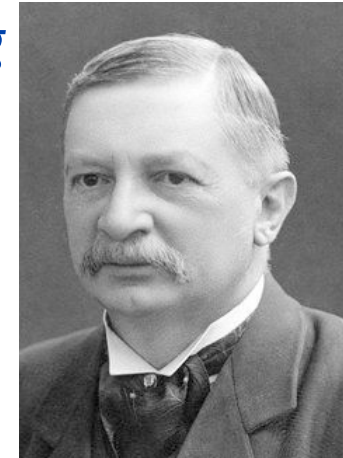


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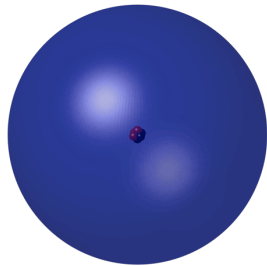
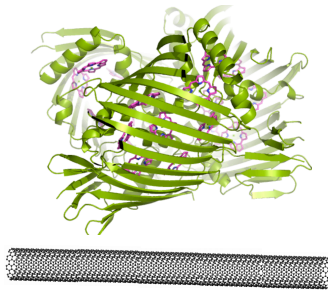
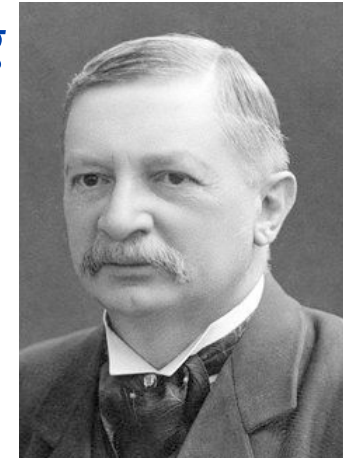


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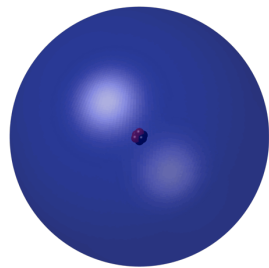
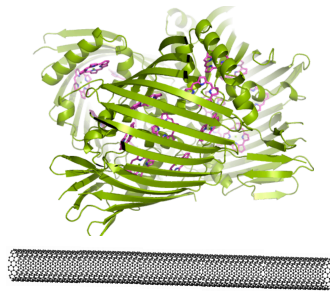
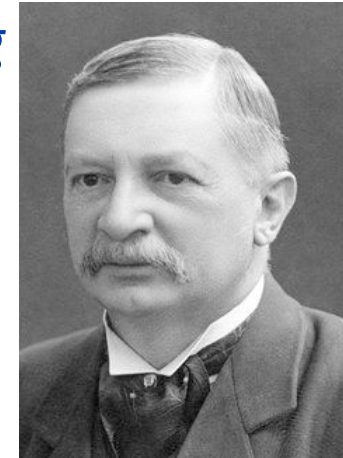
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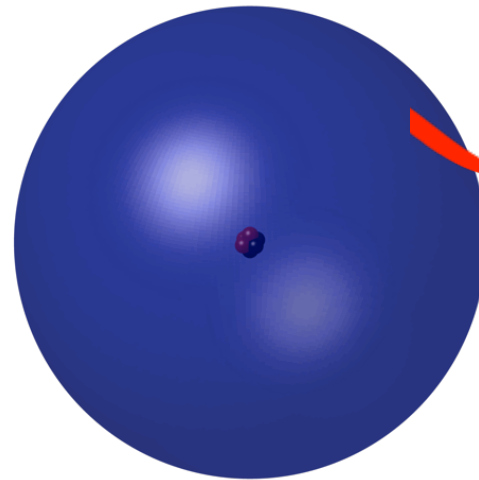
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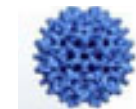
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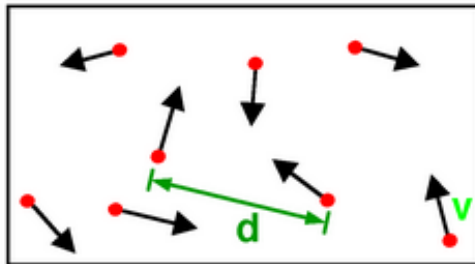
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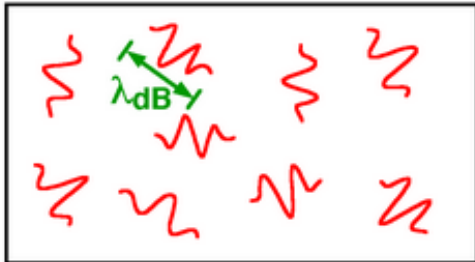
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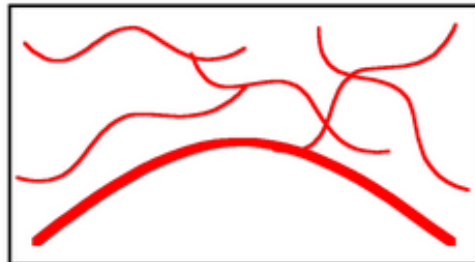
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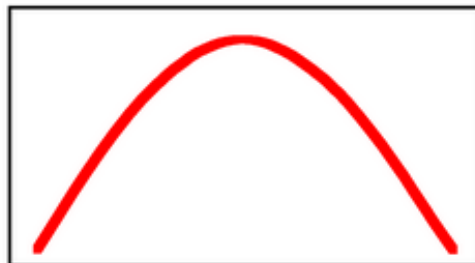
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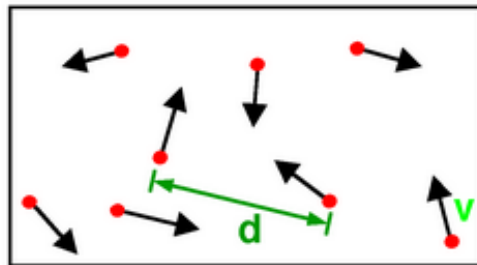
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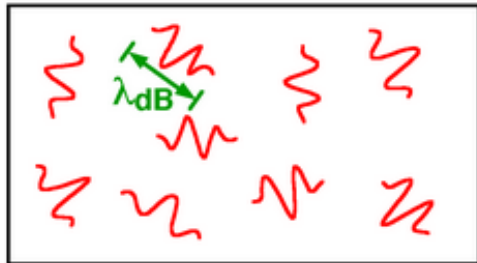
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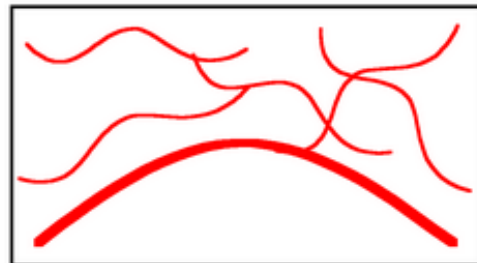
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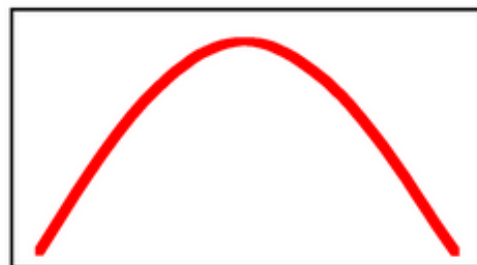
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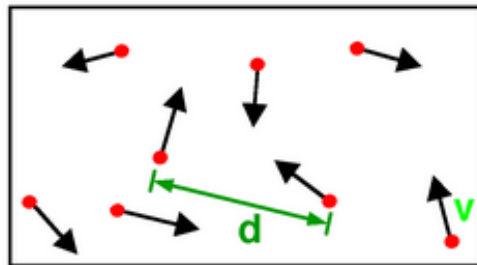
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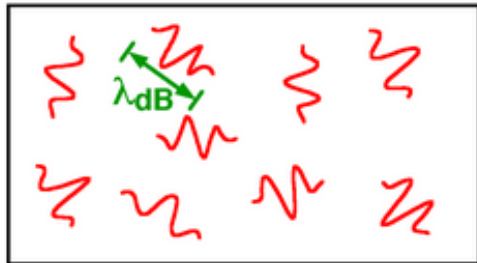
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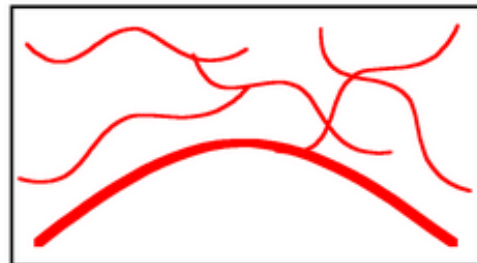
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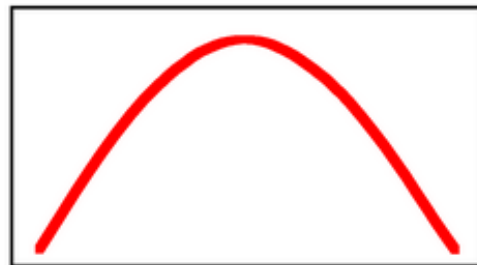
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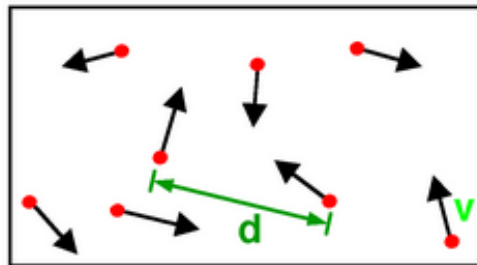
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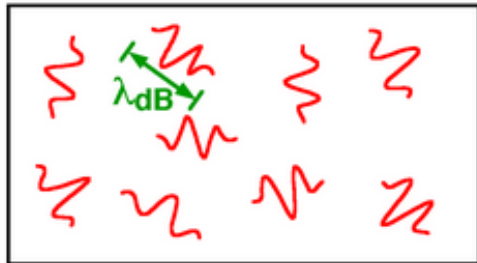
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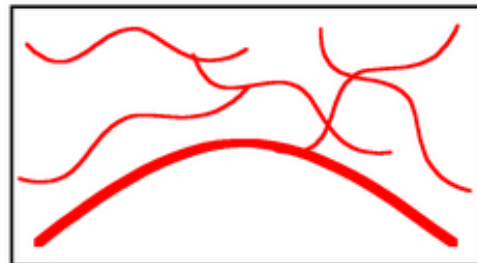
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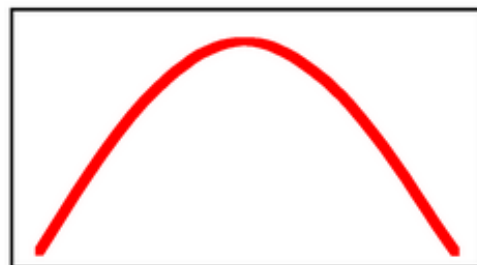
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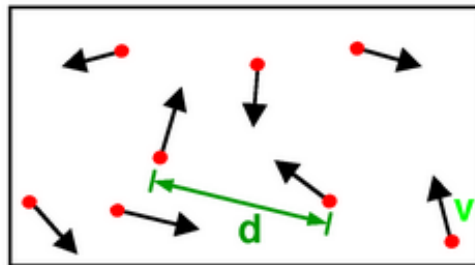
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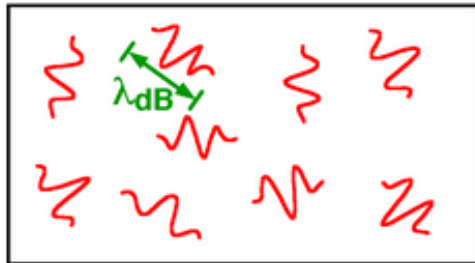
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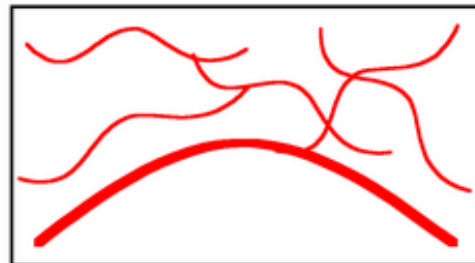
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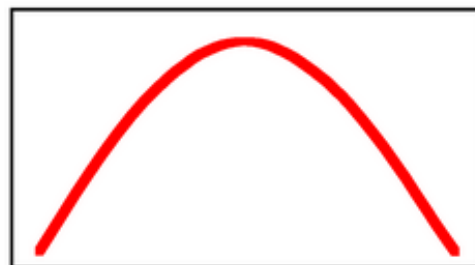
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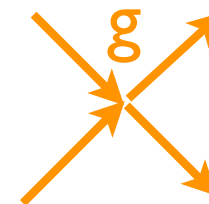
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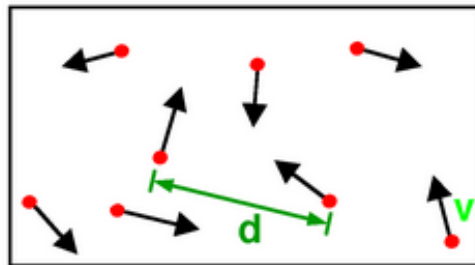
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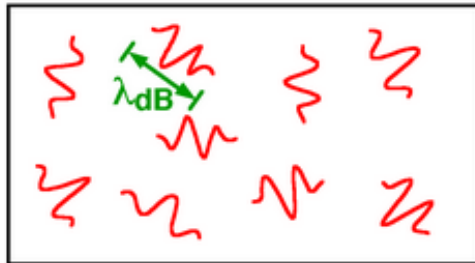


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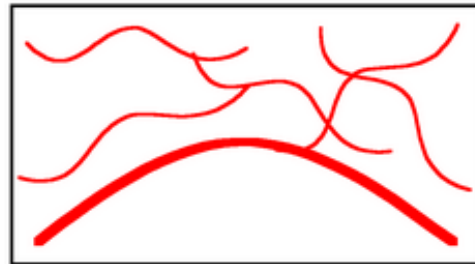
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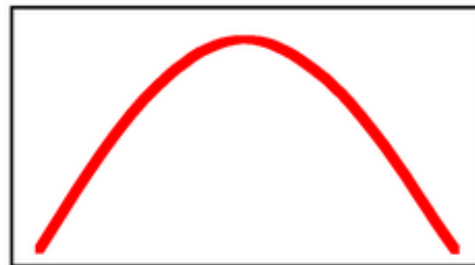
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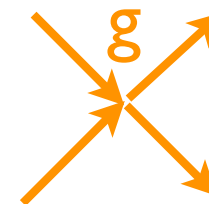
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3D wavefunction (not 3^N D)

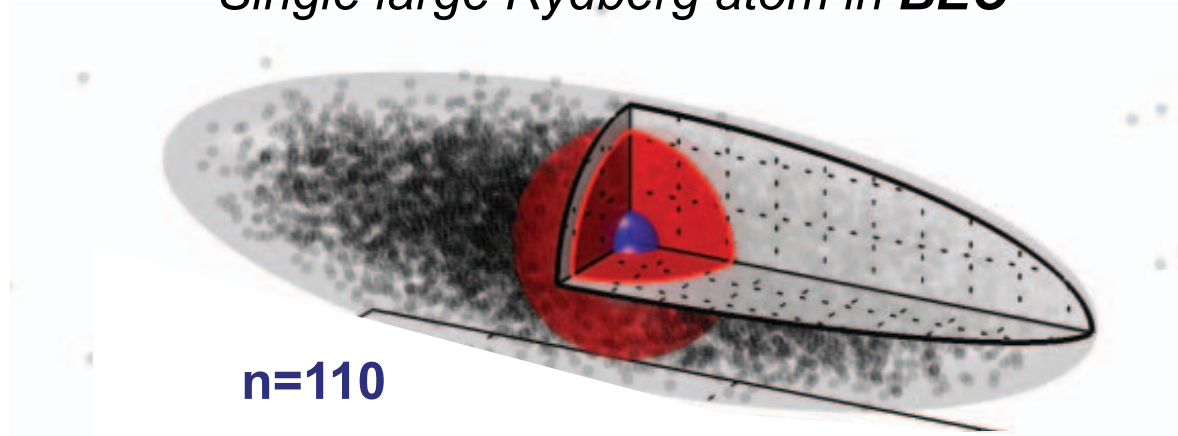
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*Single large Rydberg atom in **BEC***



- Naturally excite Rydberg states in an ultracold gas or even BEC

- Extreme atoms in an extreme environment

n=110

n=202

J. Balewski *et al.*,
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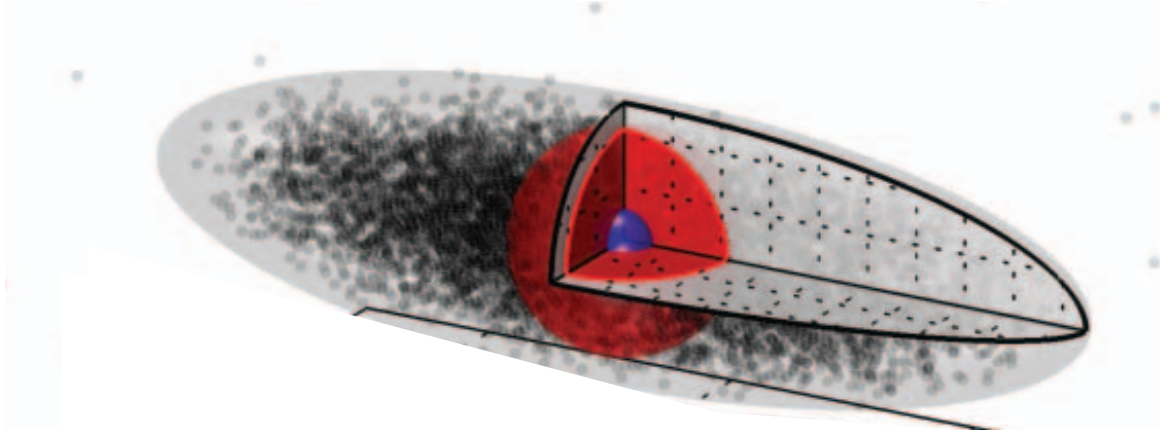
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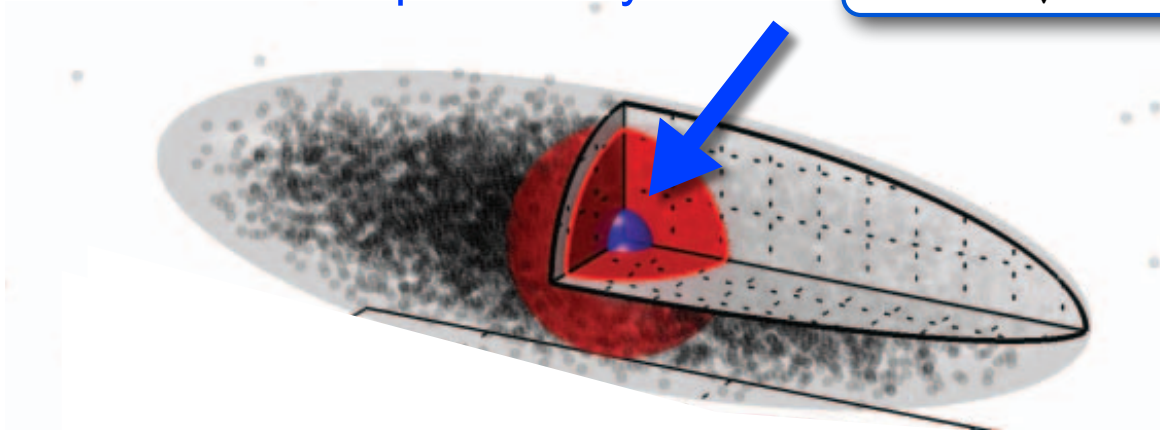
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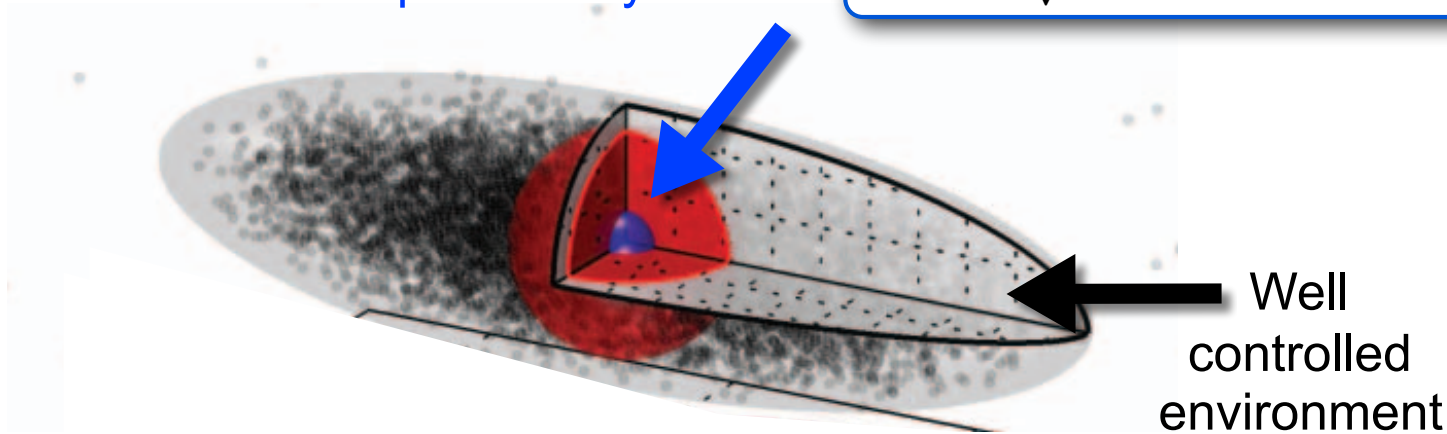
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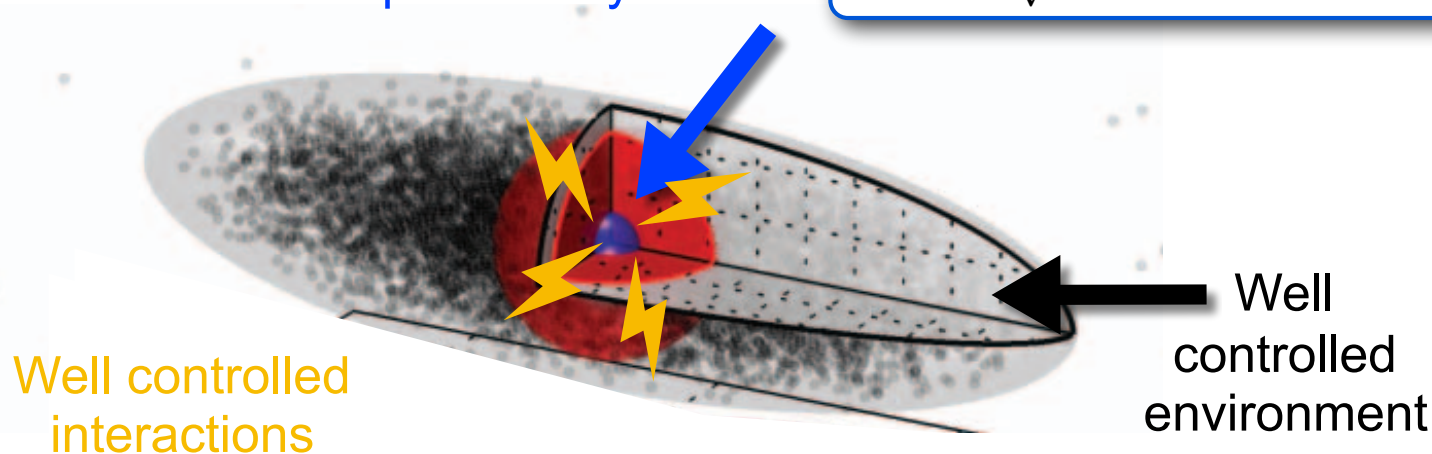
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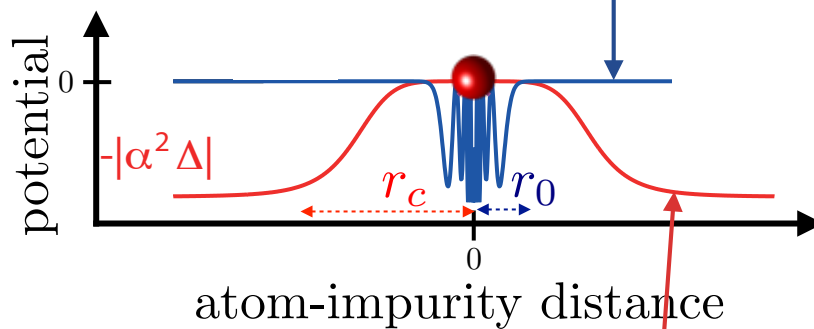
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Elastic scattering of Rydberg
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**and/or: laser tunable
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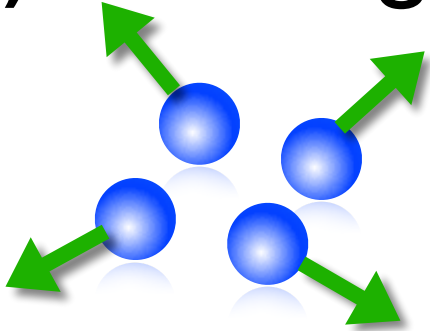
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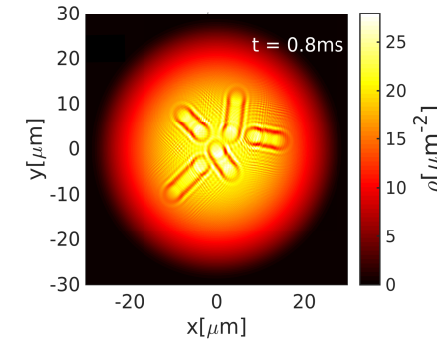
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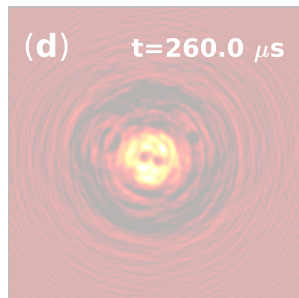
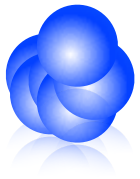
(I) Tracking of mobile Rydberg atoms in a BEC



S. Tiwari and S. Wüster,
PRA **99** 043616 (2019)



(II) BEC response to Rydberg insertion

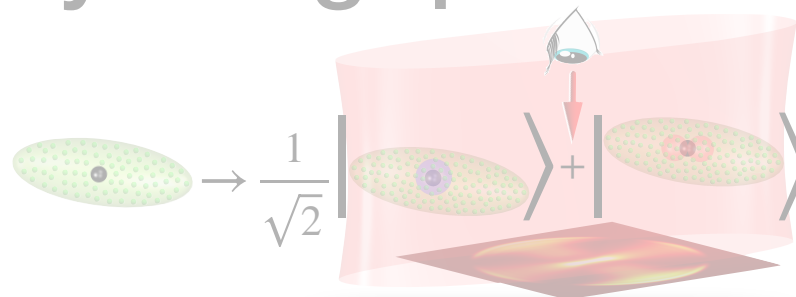


S. Tiwari *et al.* in preparation (2021).

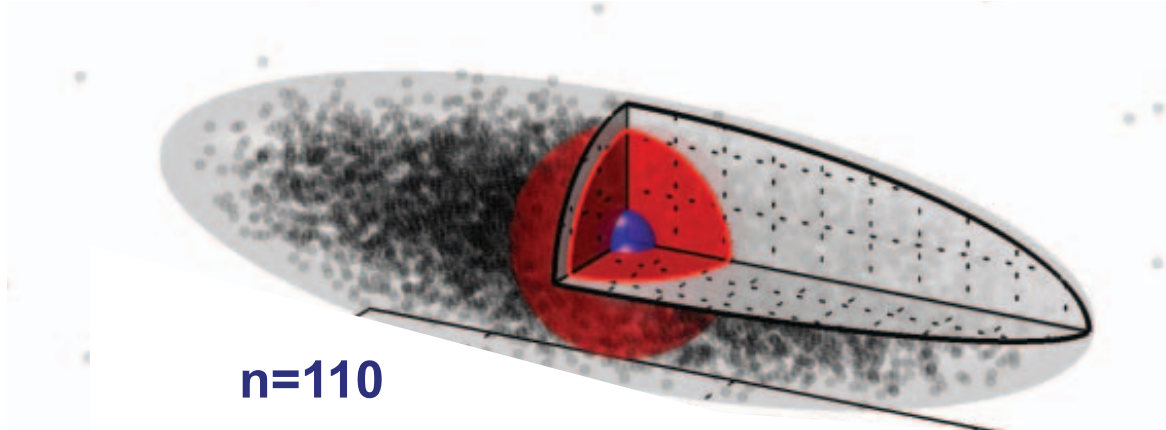
(III) Decoherence of Rydberg qubits in a BEC



S. Rammohan *et al.*
arXiv:2011.11022 (2020).
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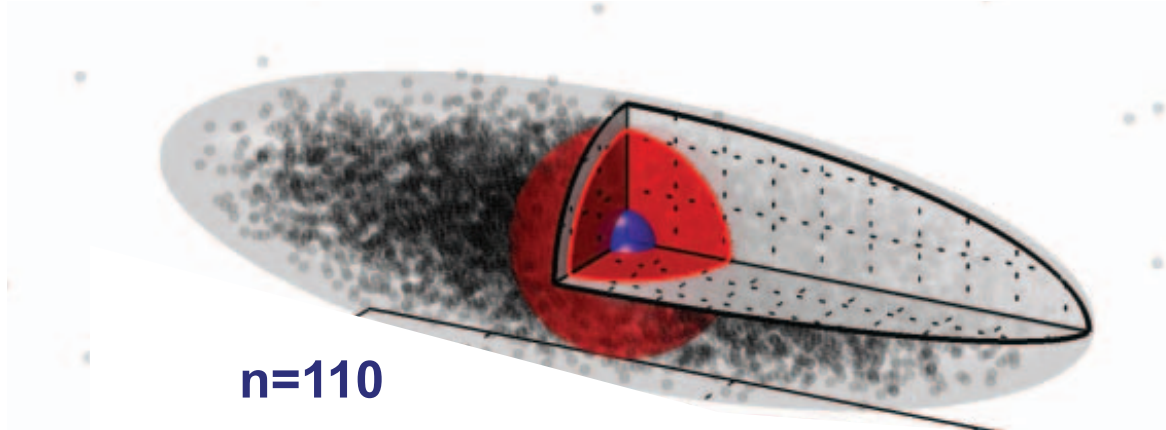


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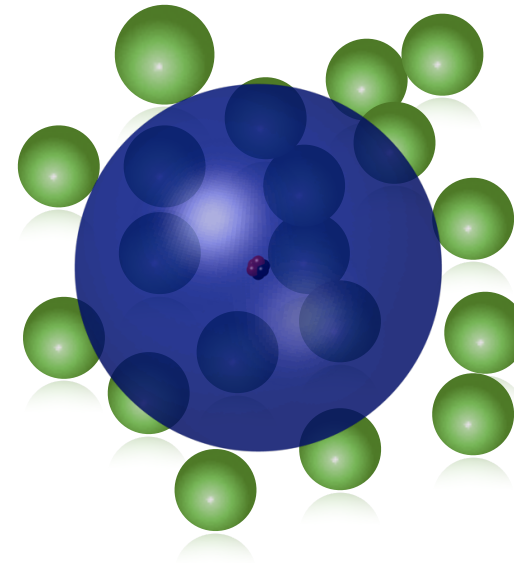
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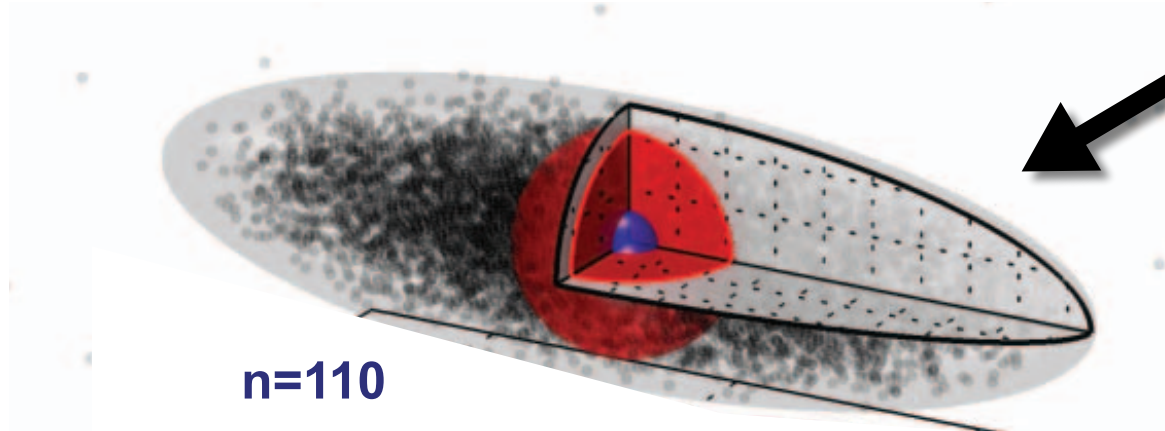
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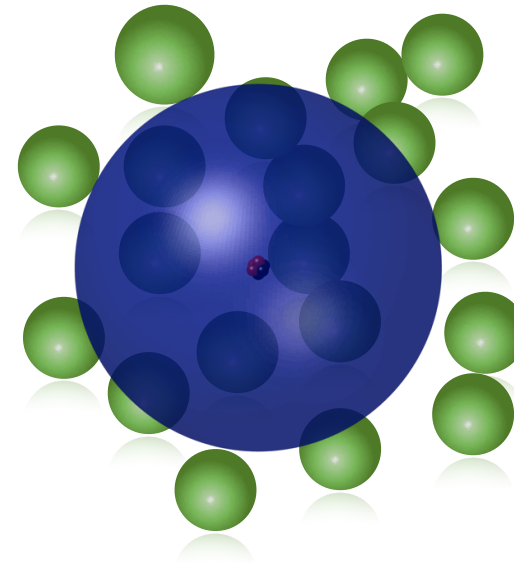


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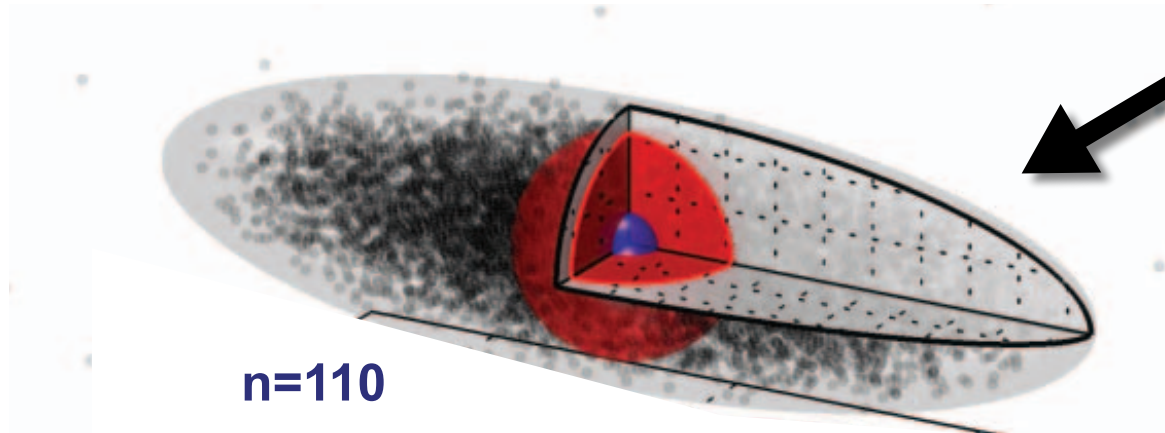
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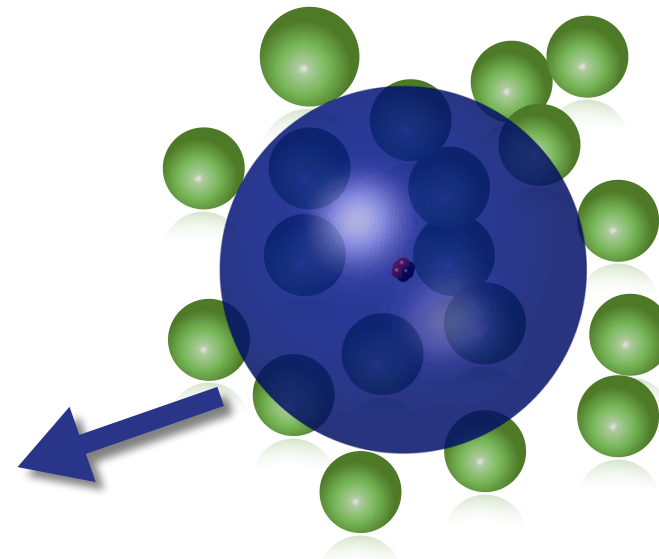
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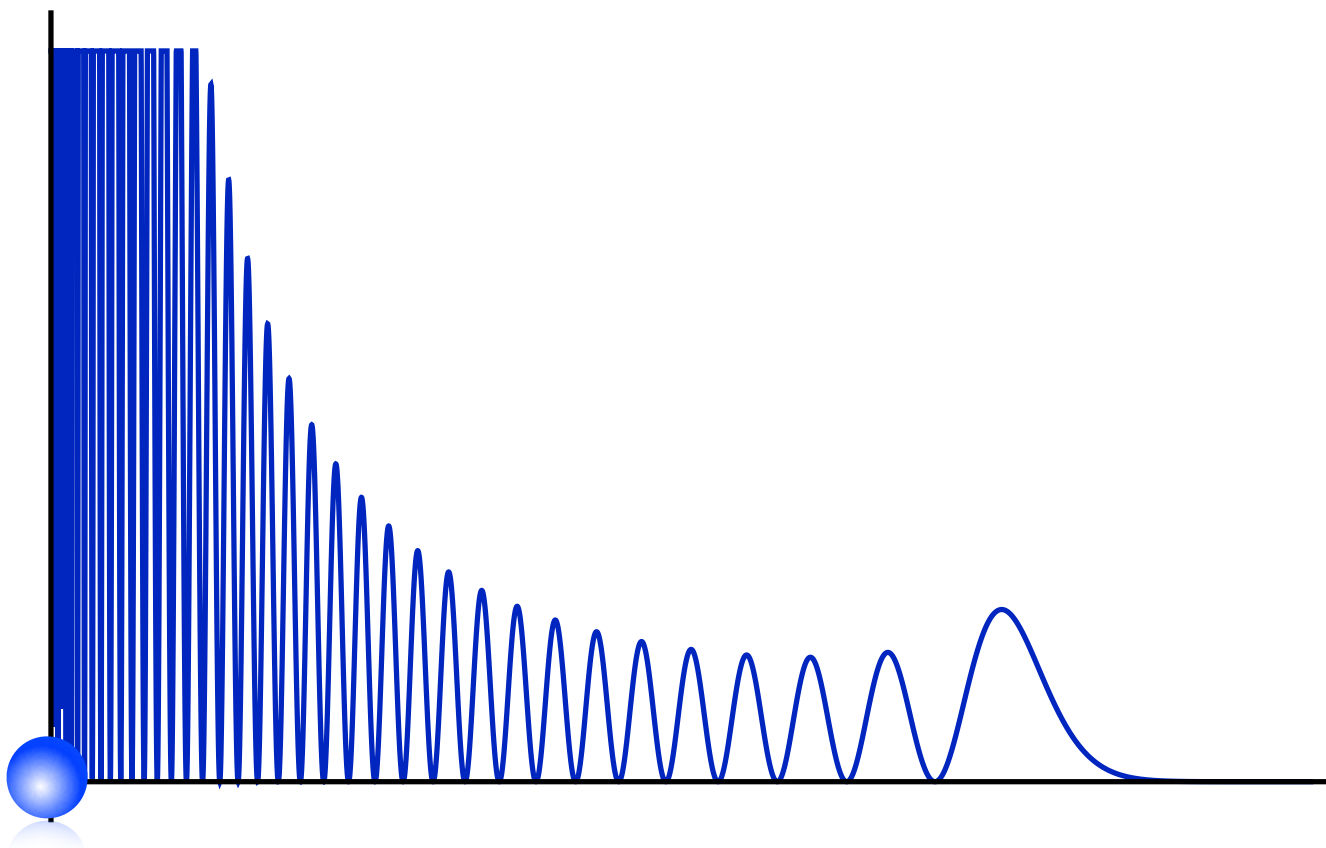
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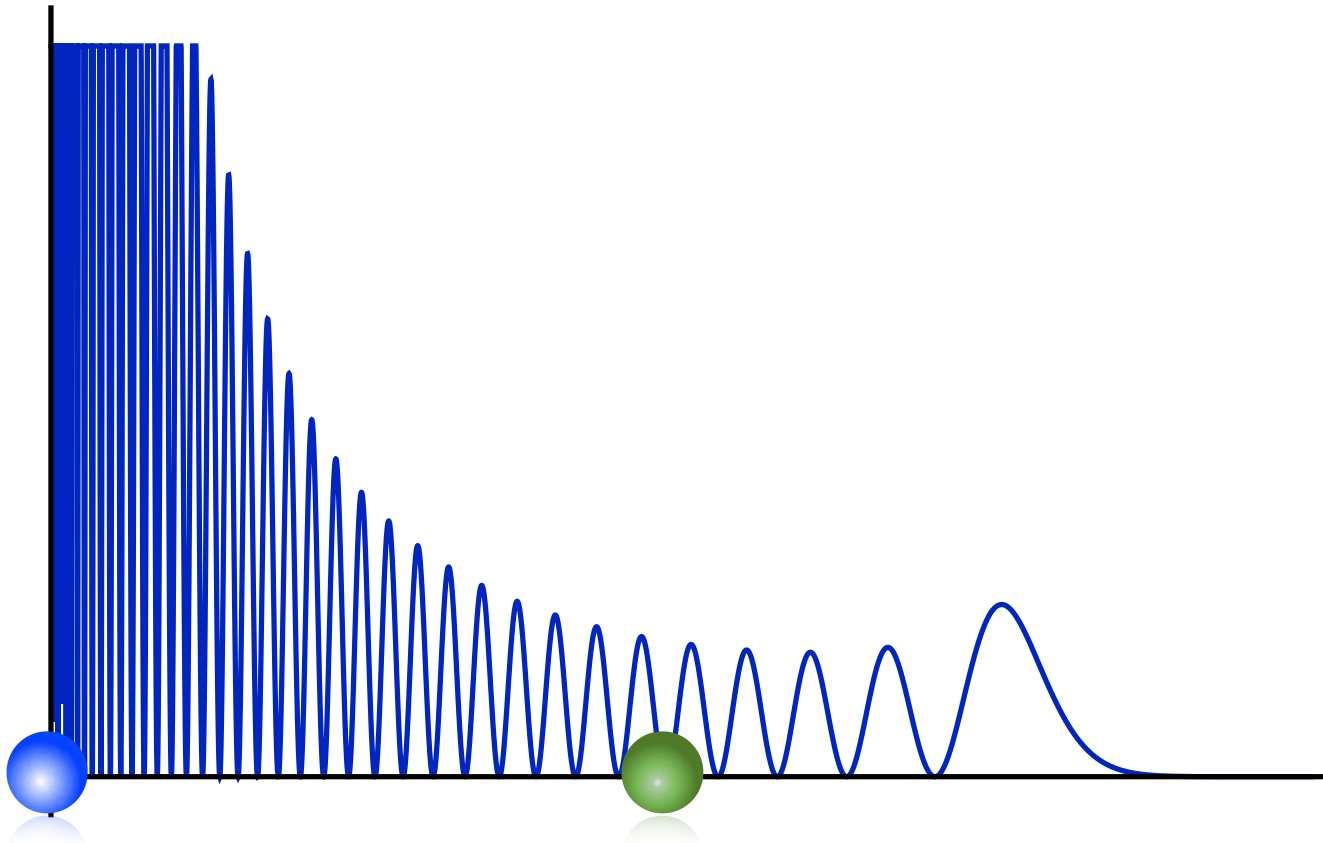
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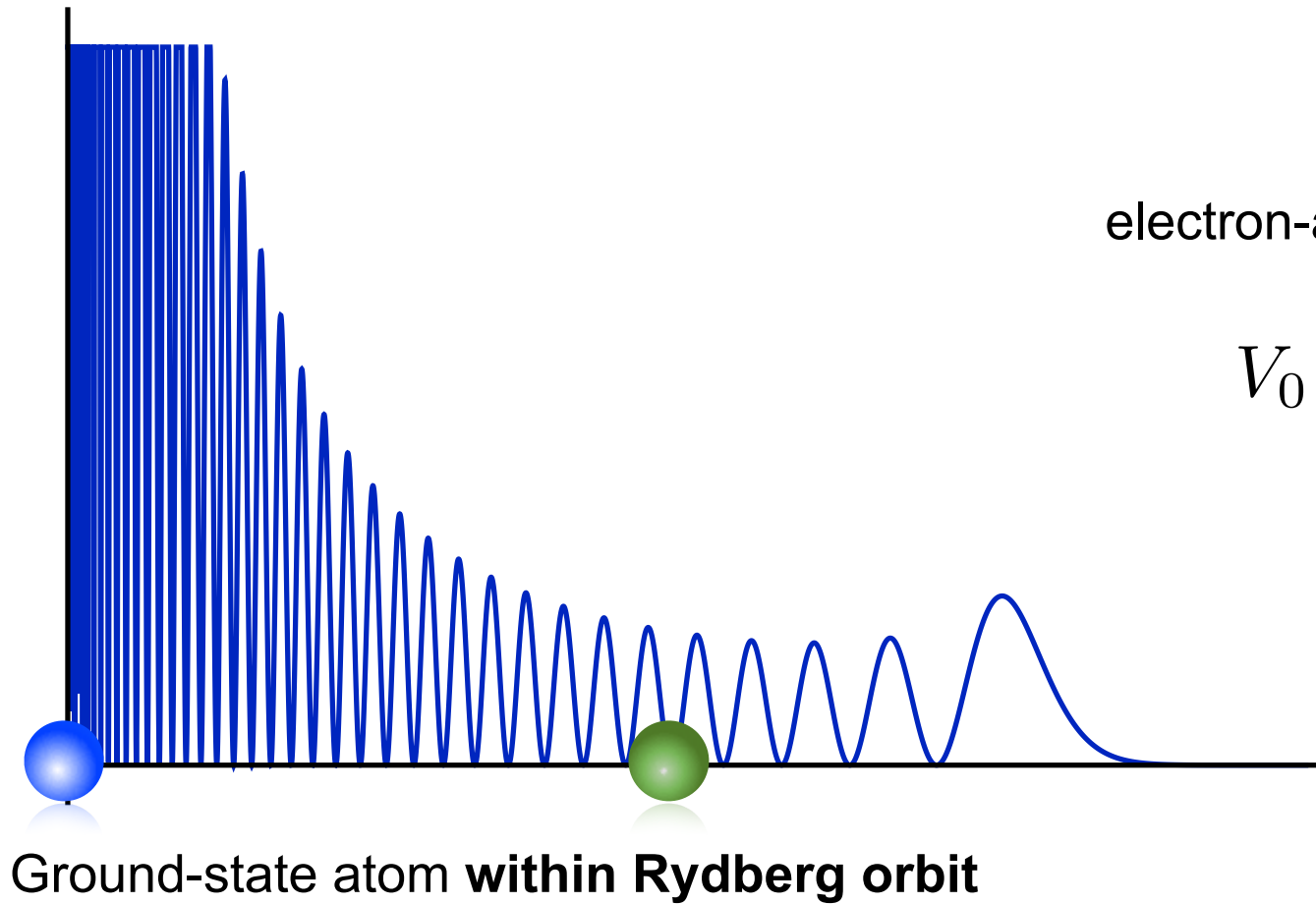


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Ground-state atom **within** Rydberg orbit

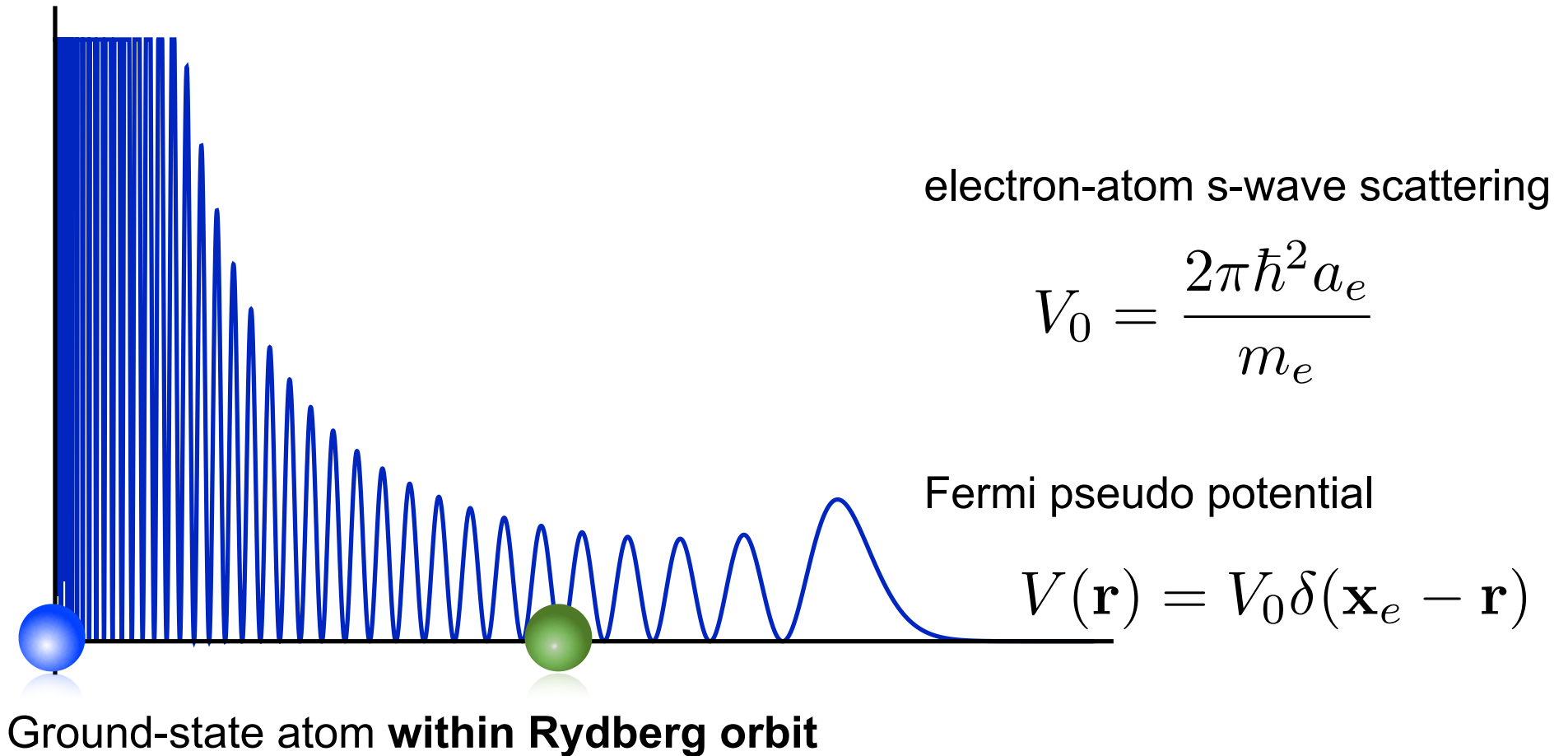
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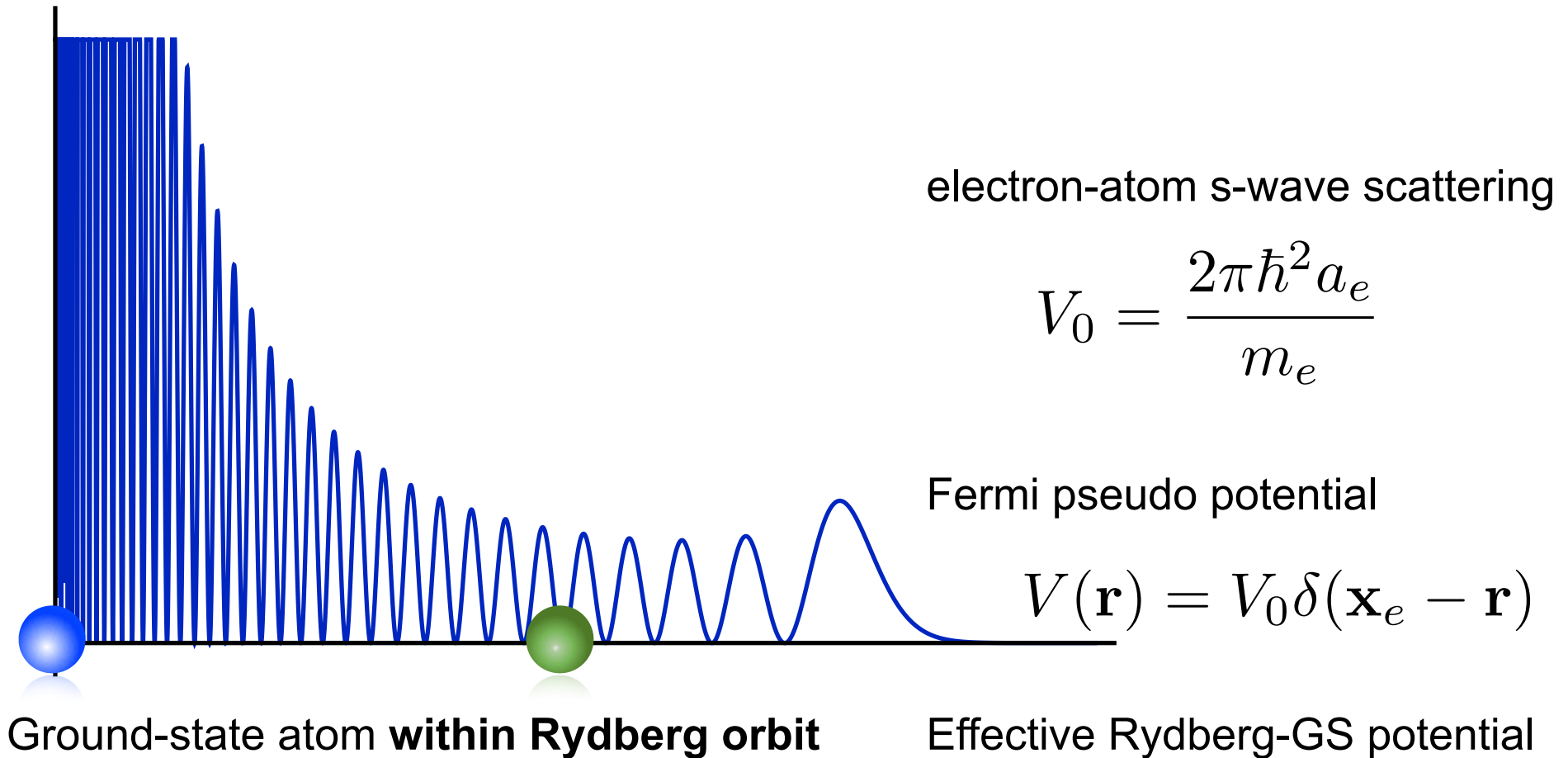
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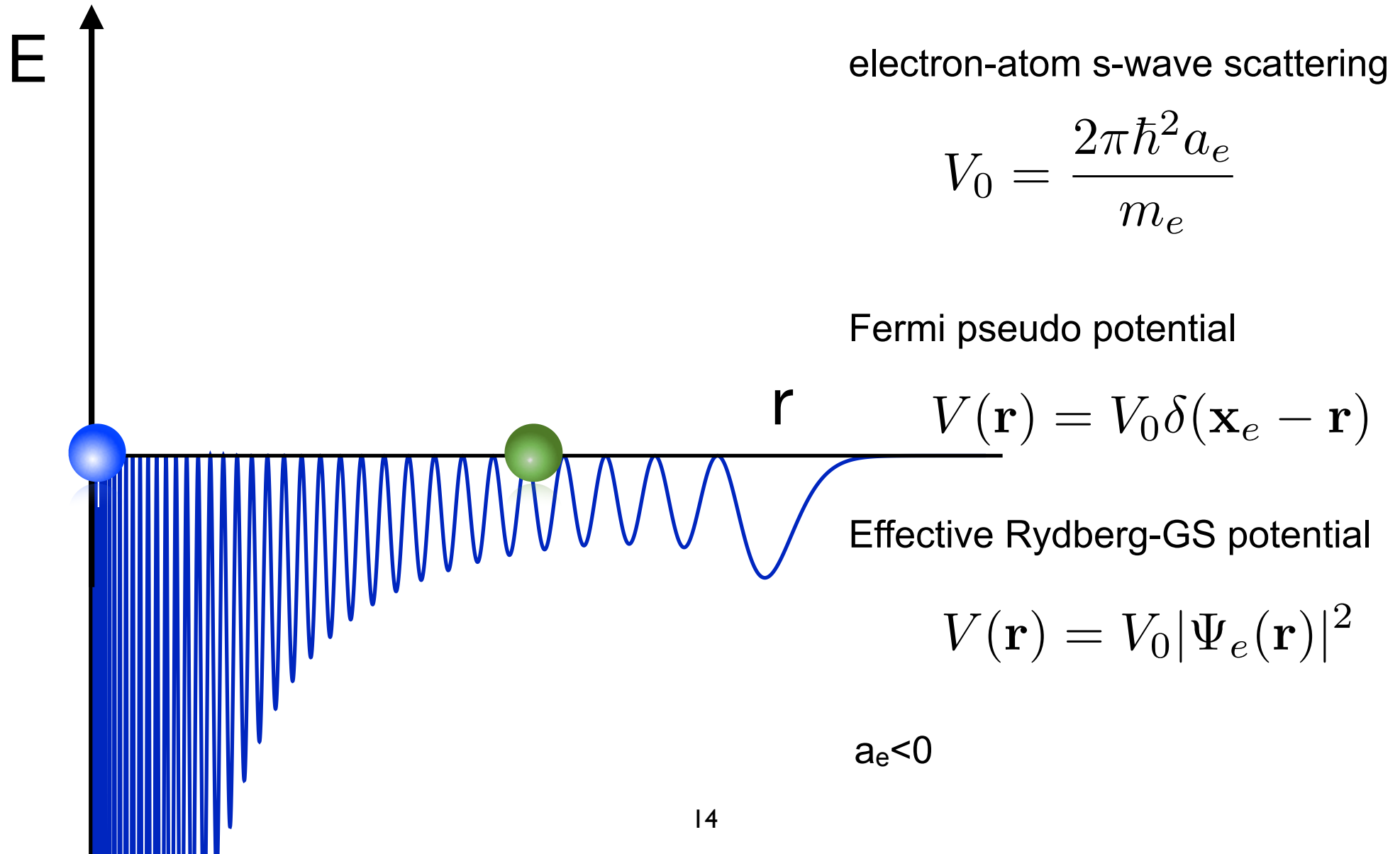


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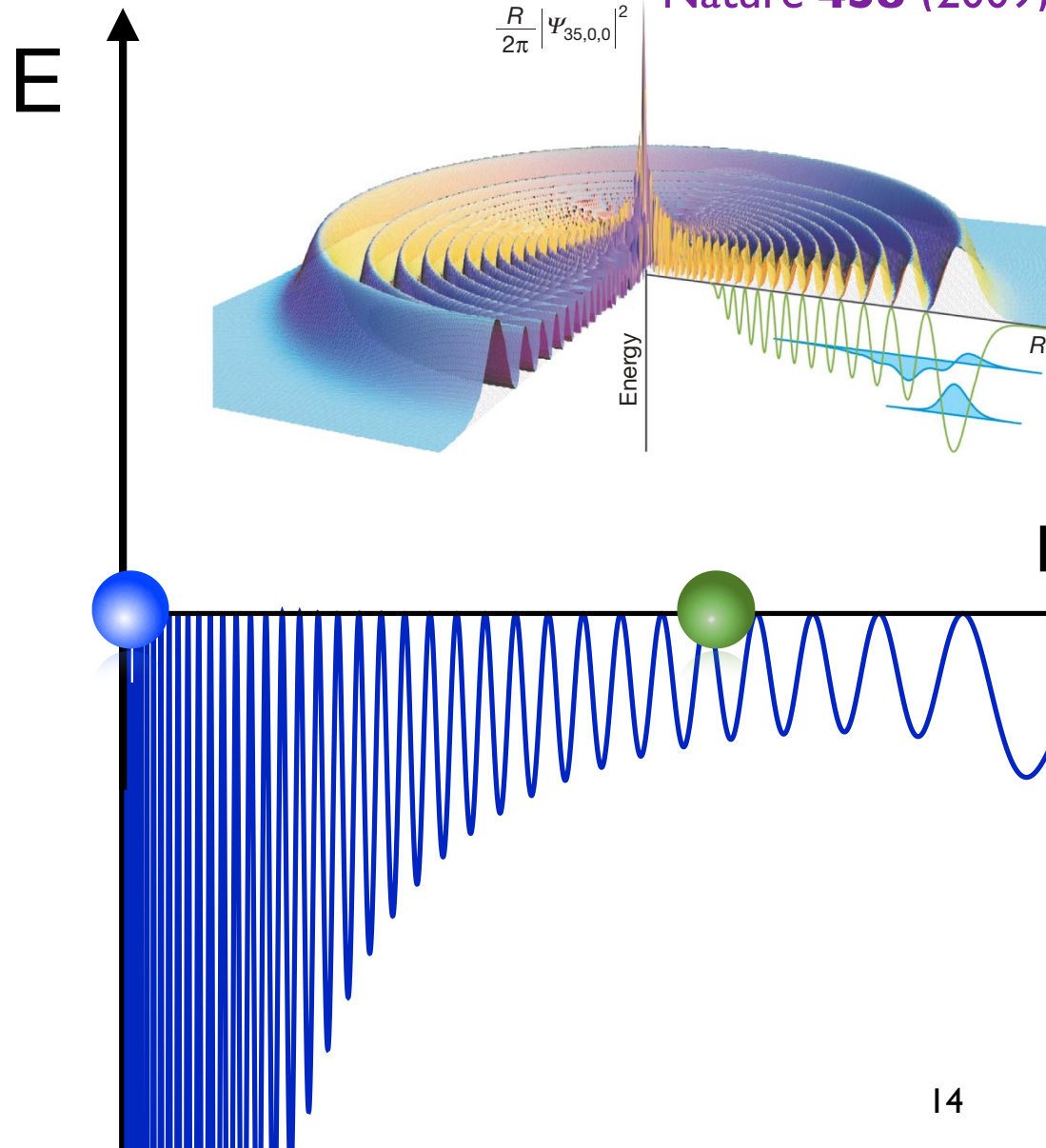
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Fermi pseudo potential

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Effective Rydberg-GS potential

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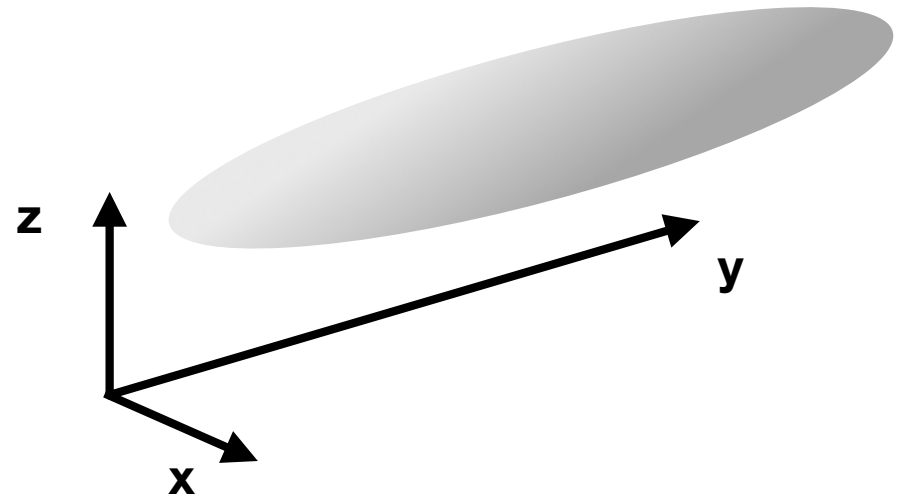
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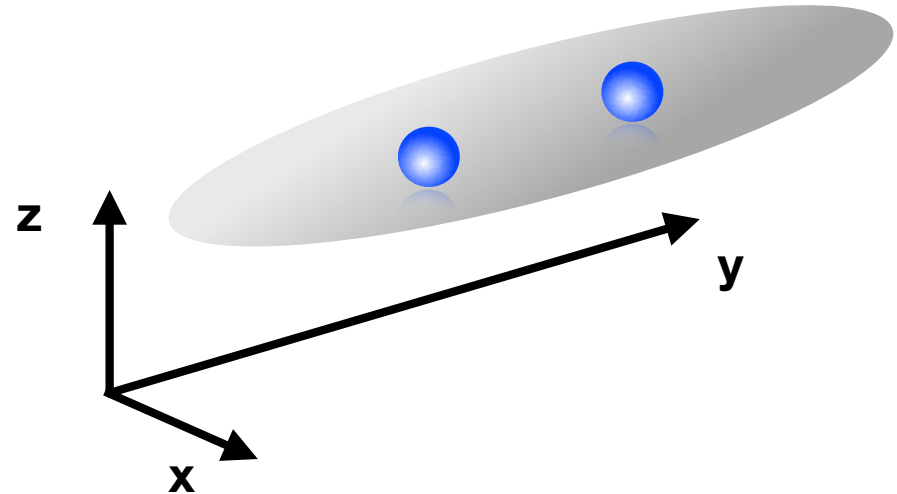
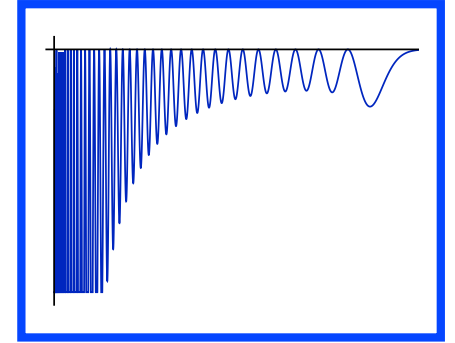
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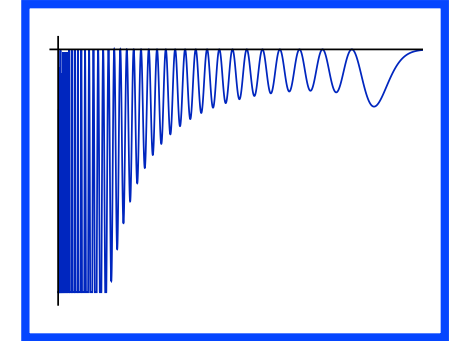
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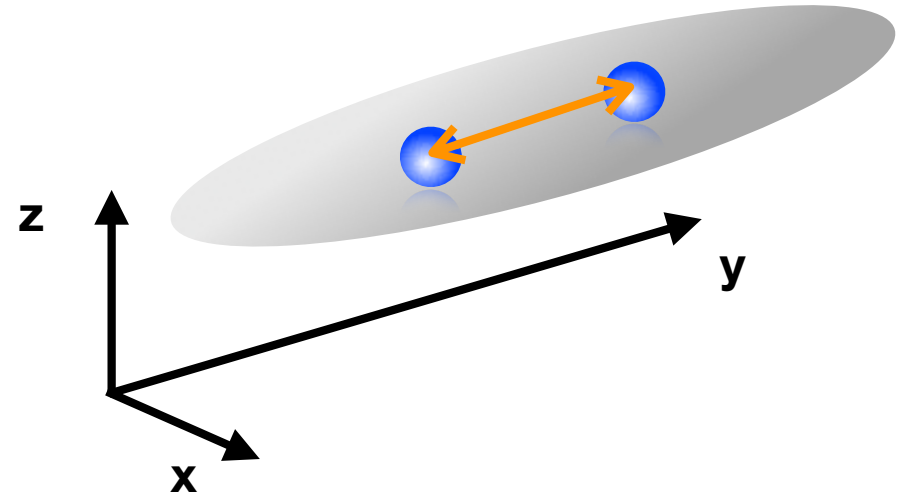
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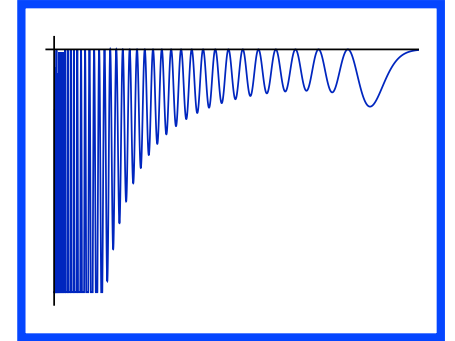
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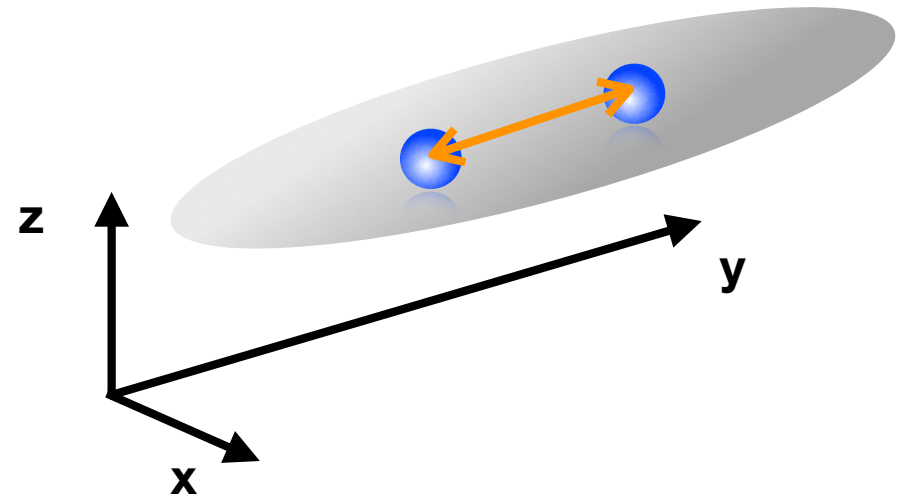
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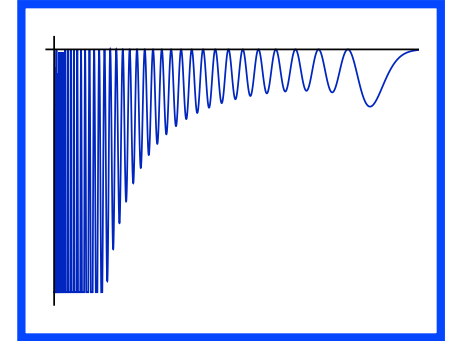


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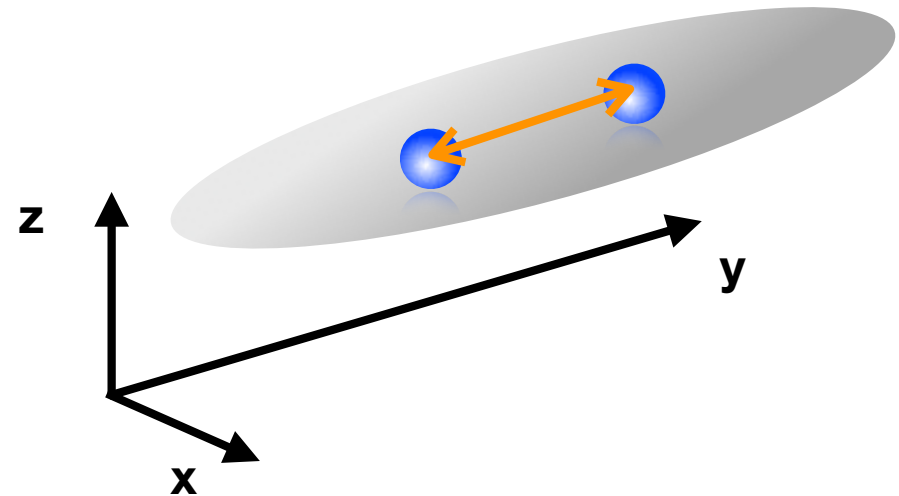
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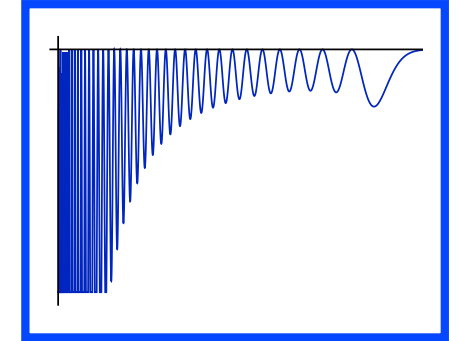


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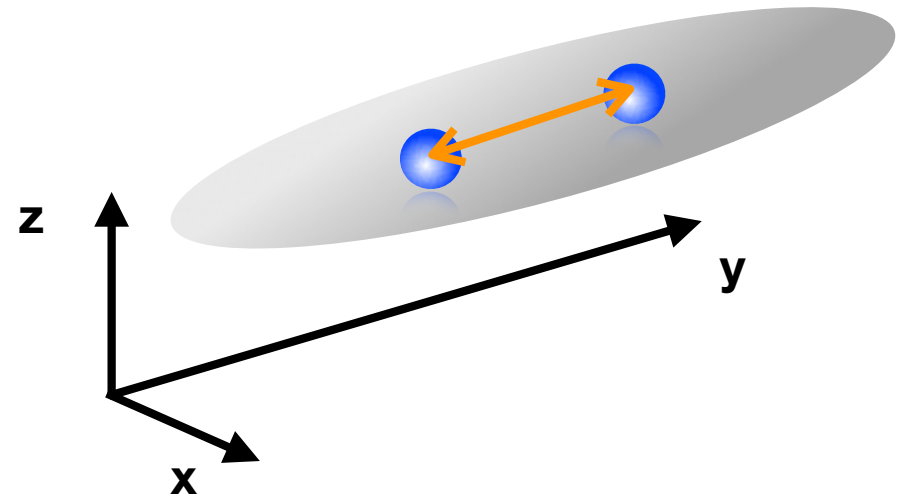
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see e.g.

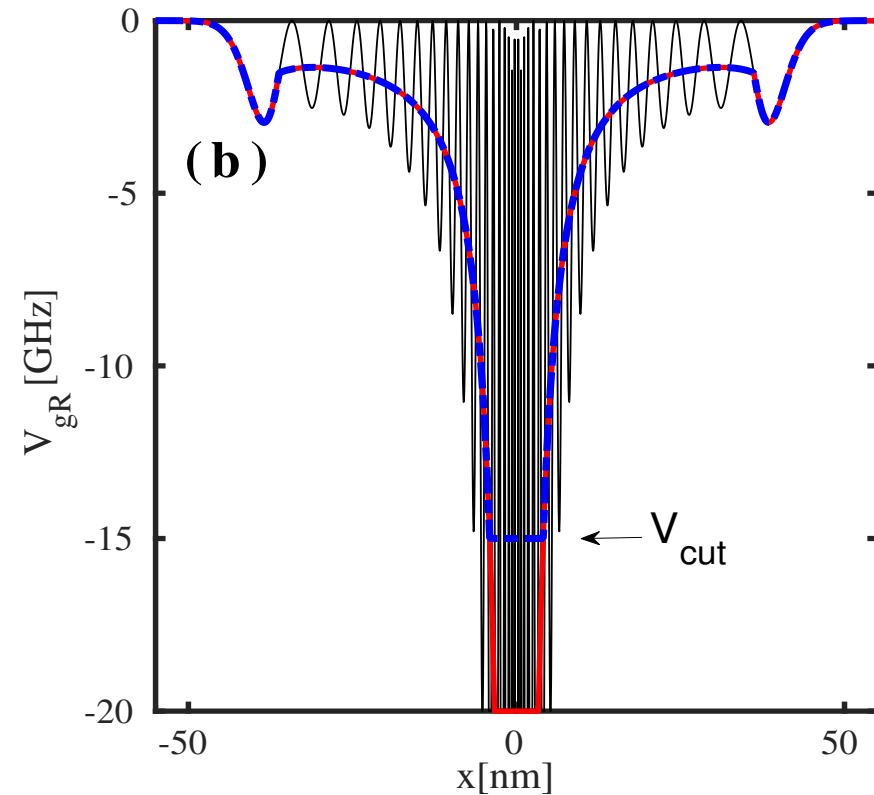
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Phase imprinting tracks

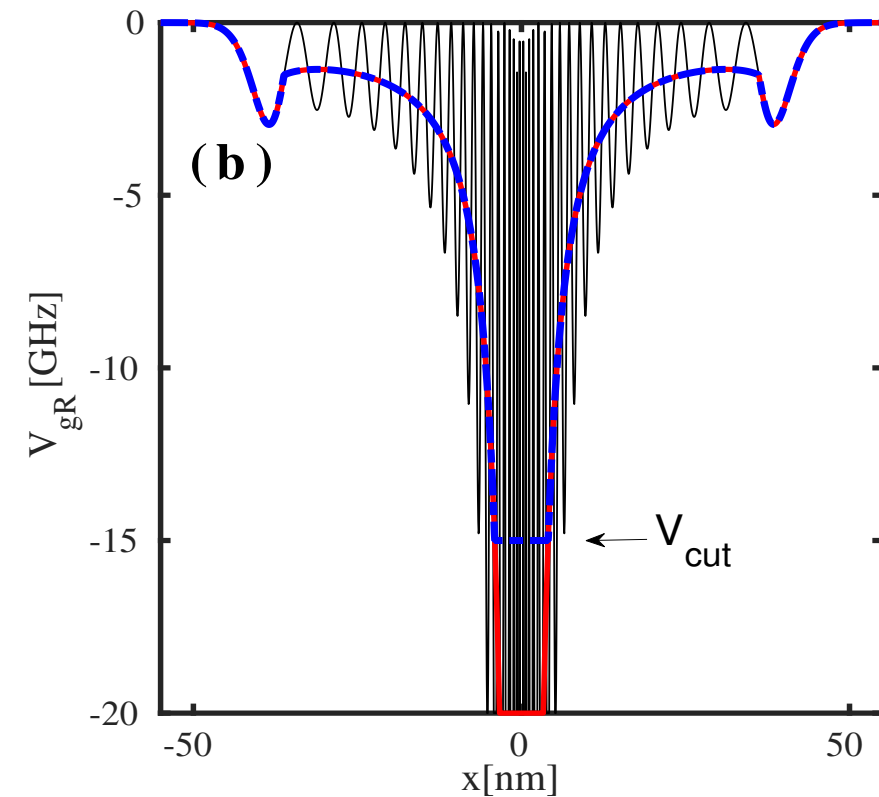
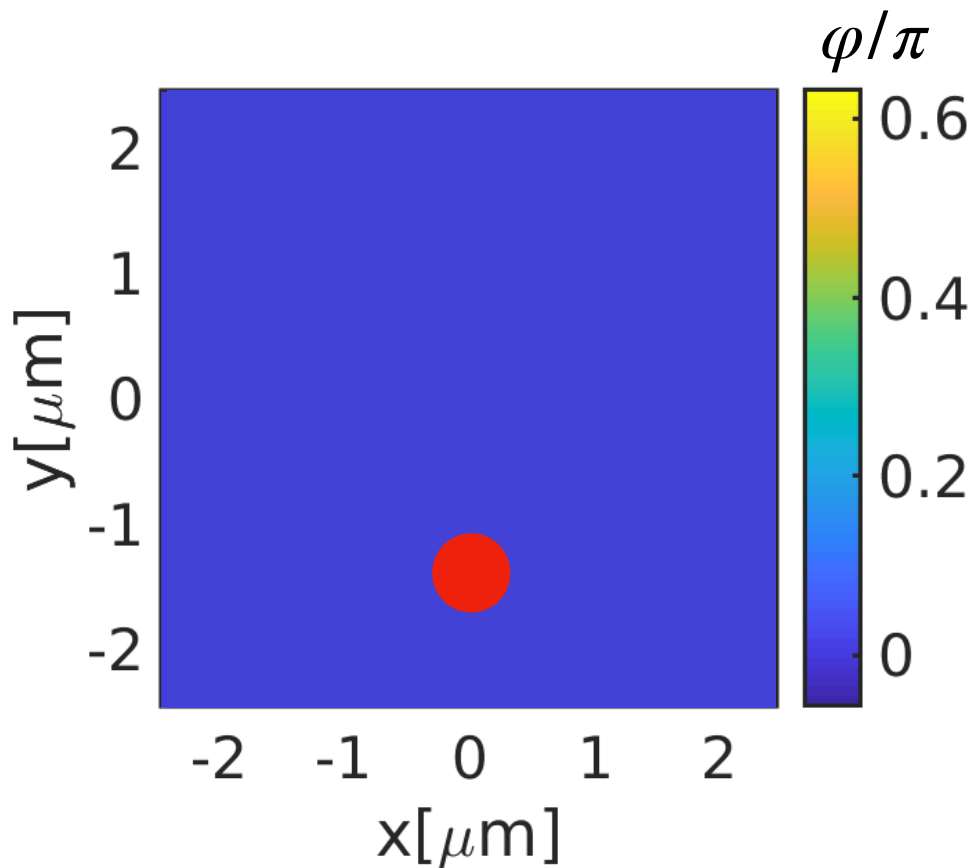
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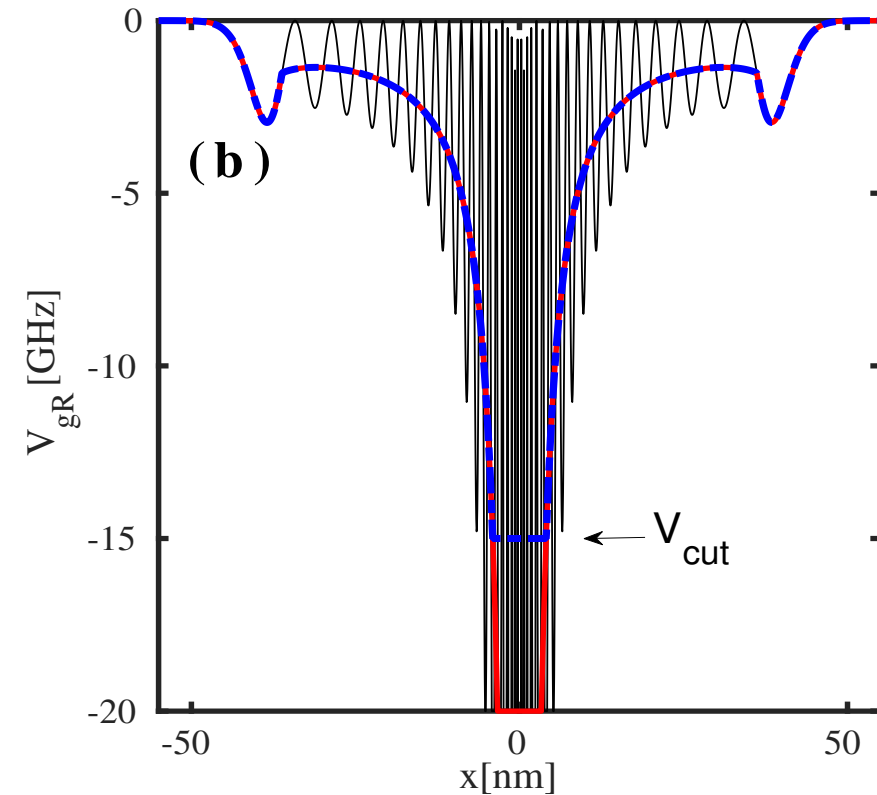
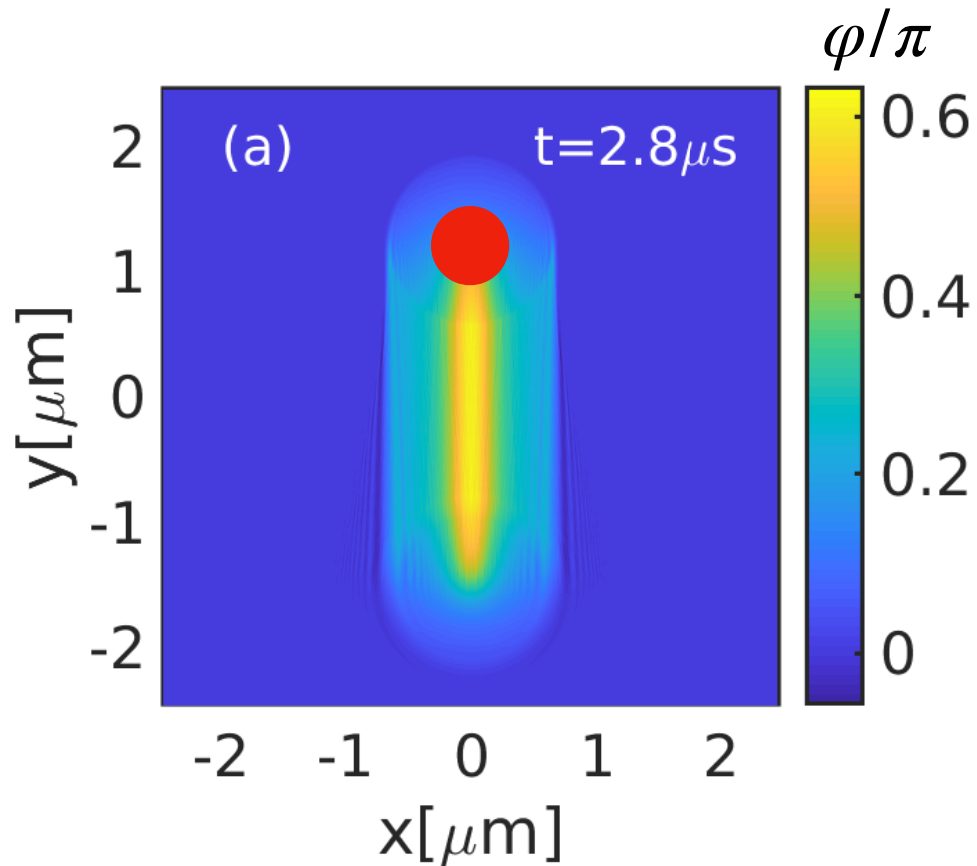
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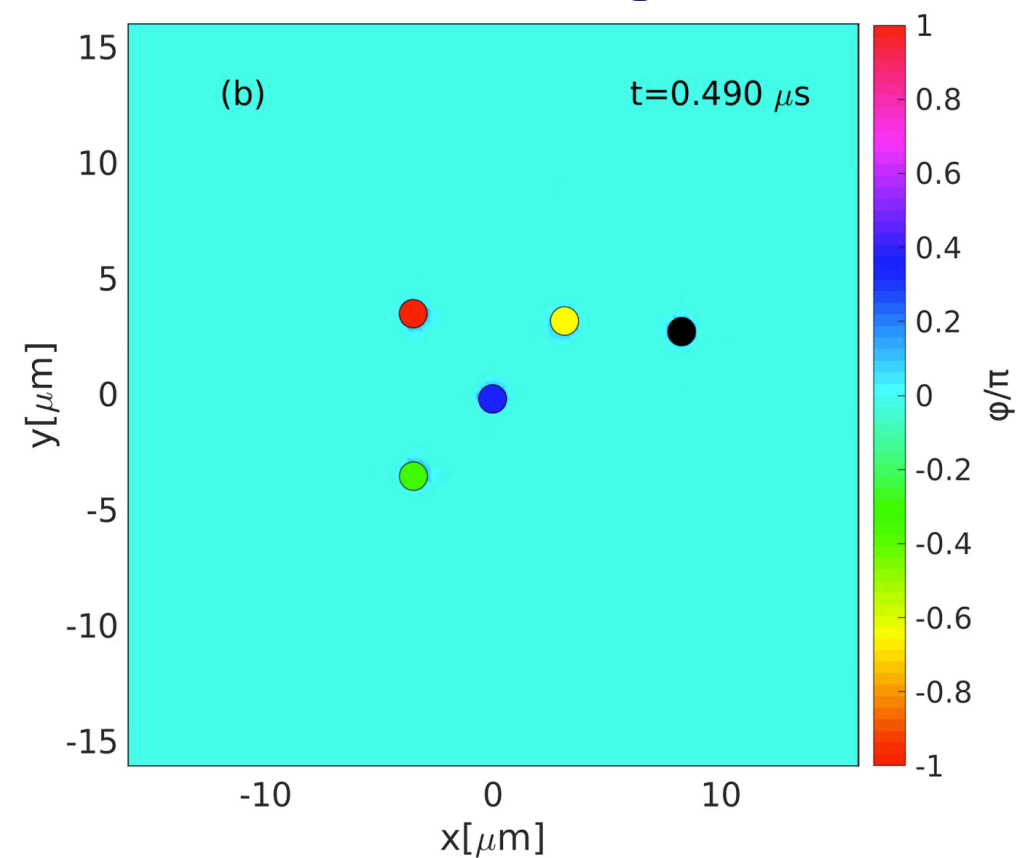
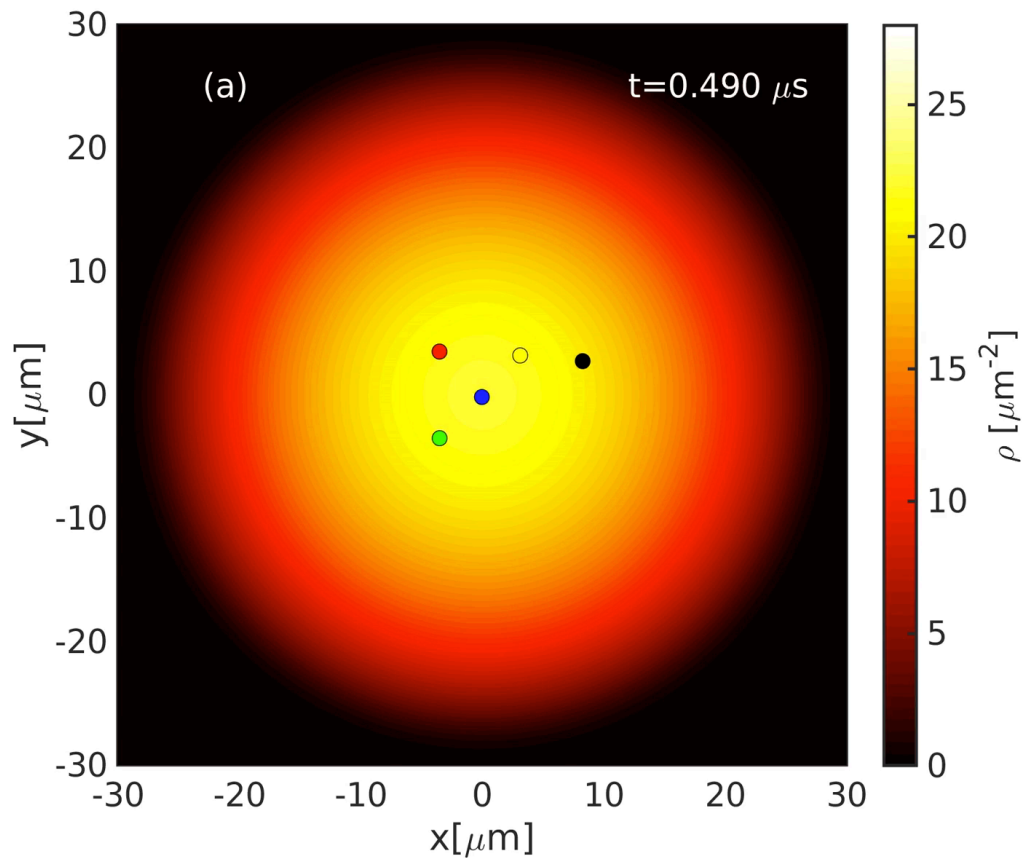
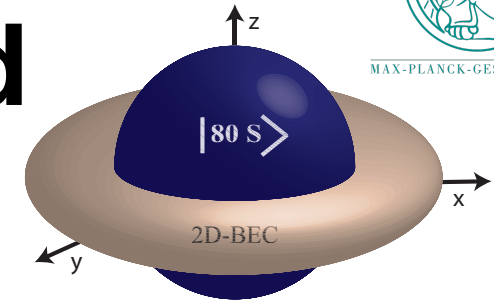


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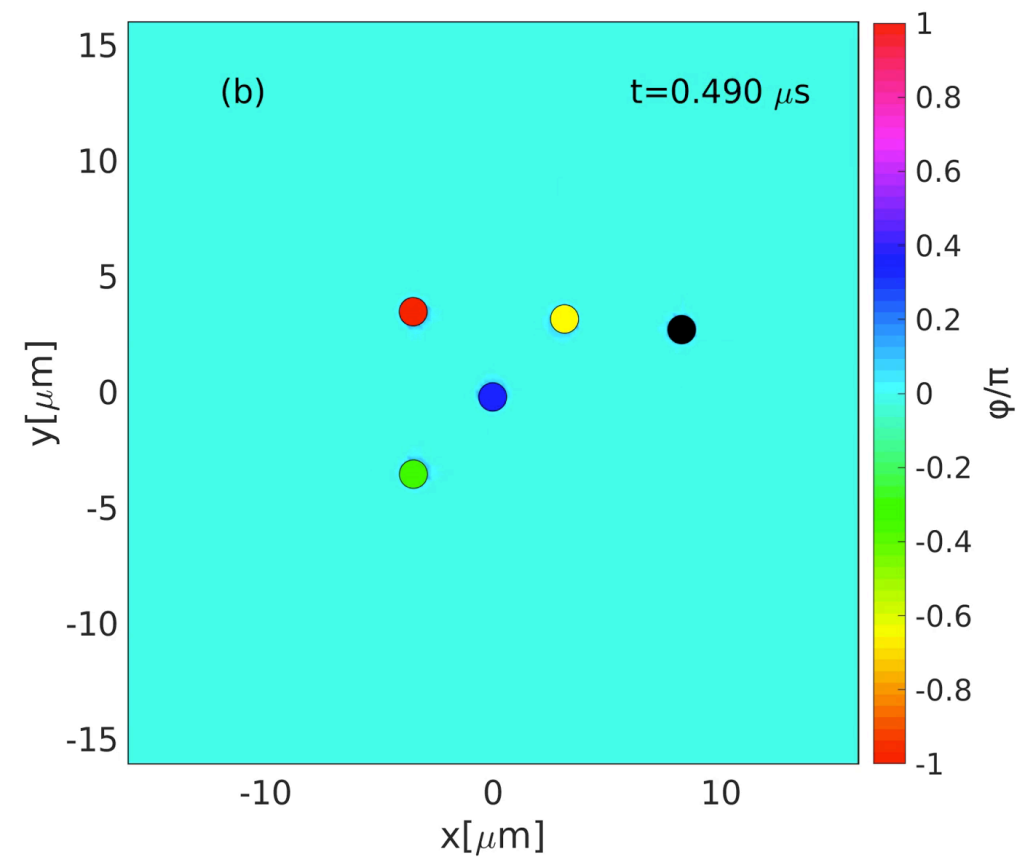
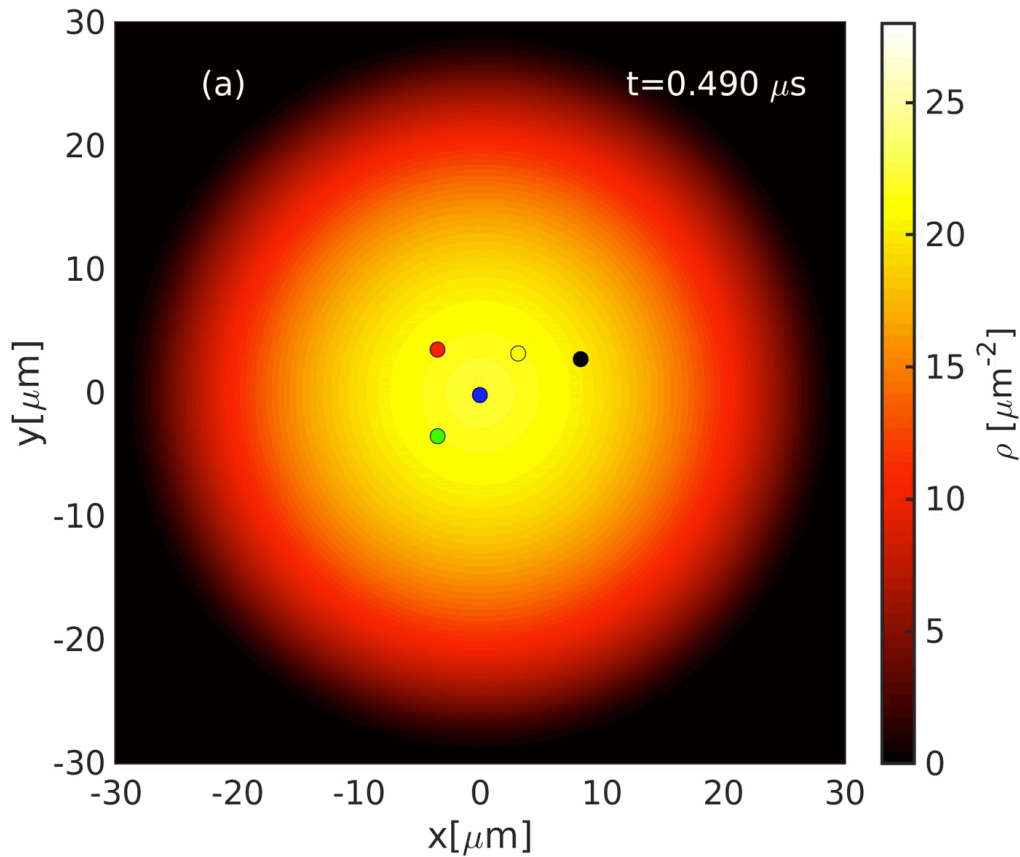
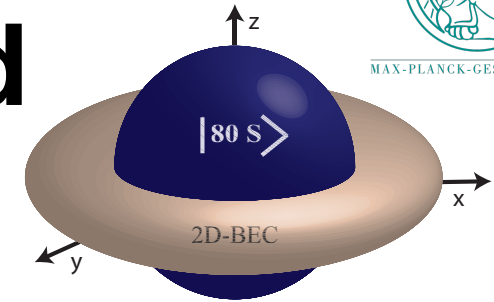


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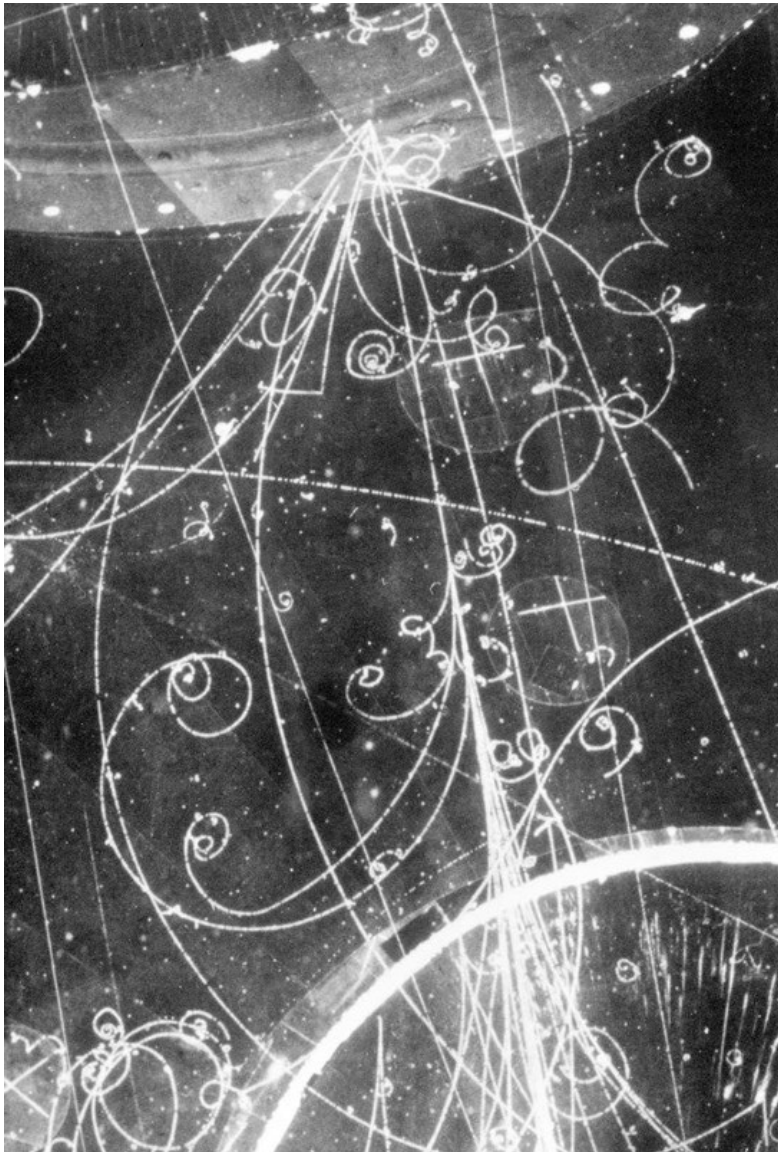


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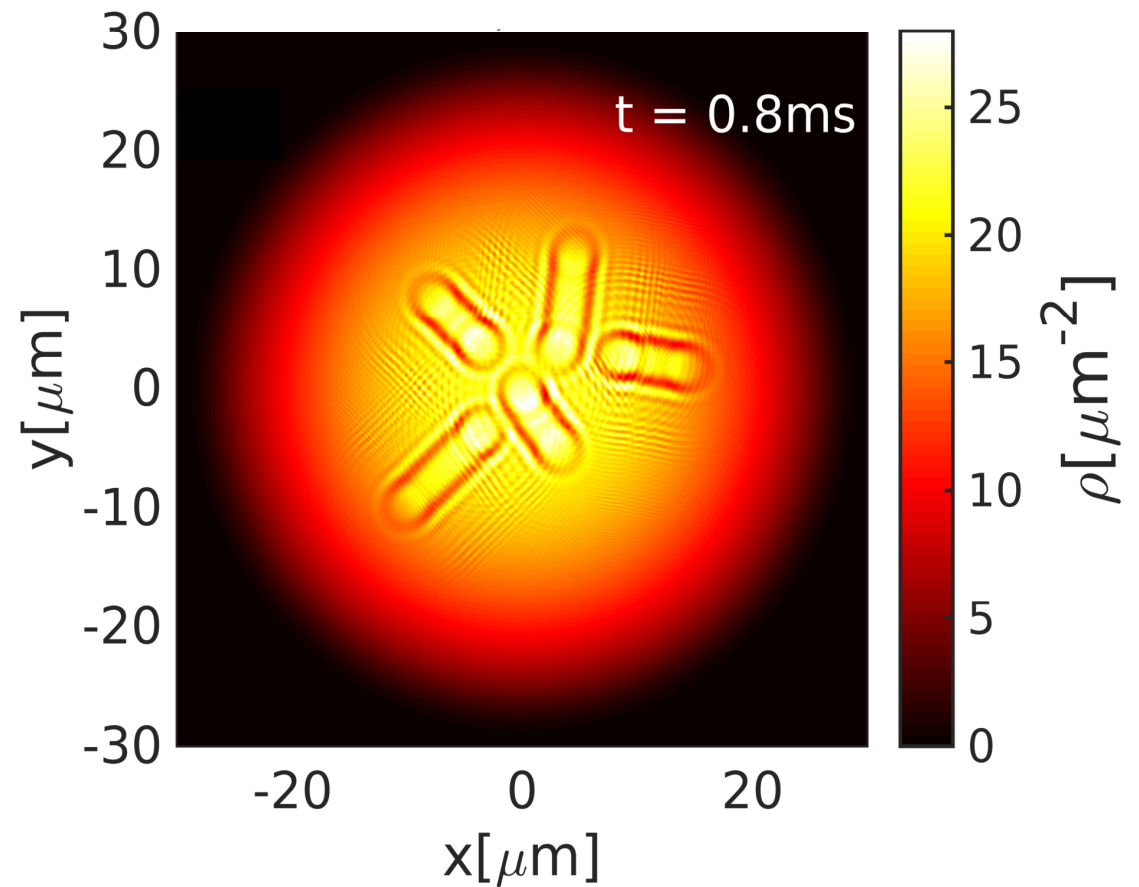


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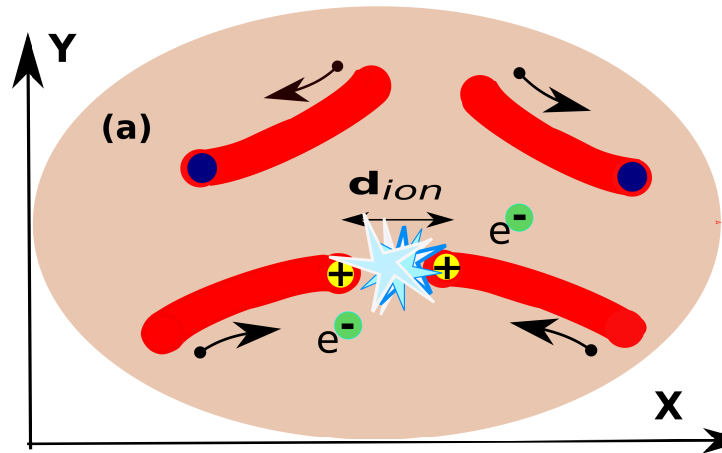
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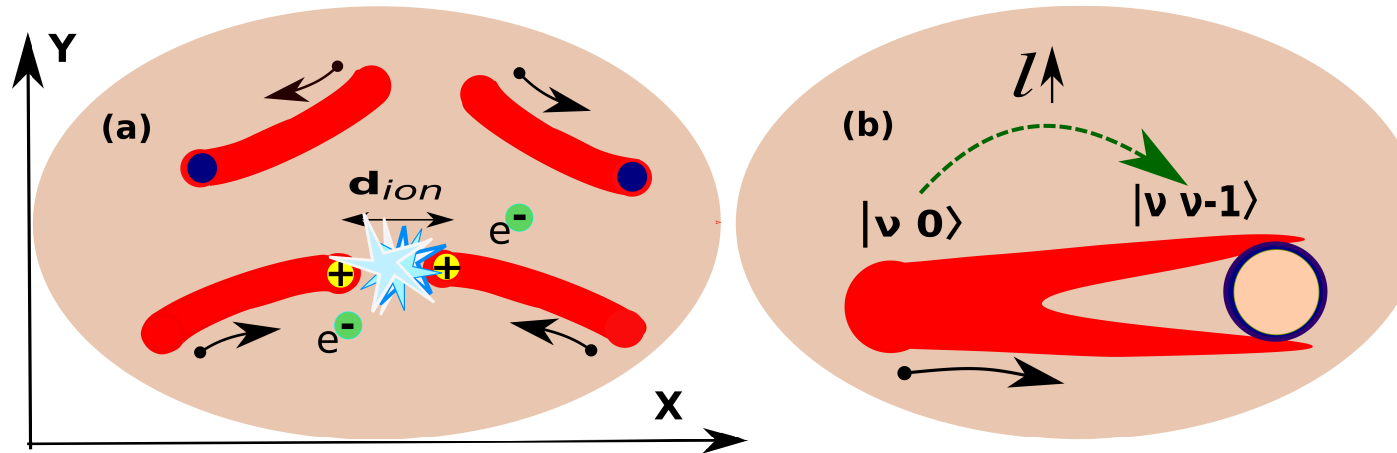
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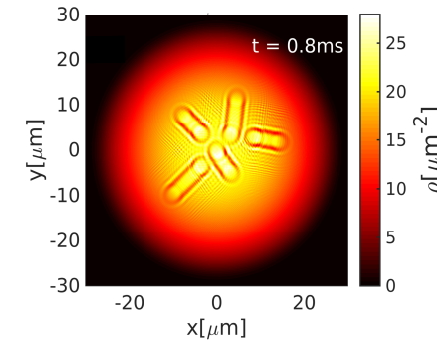
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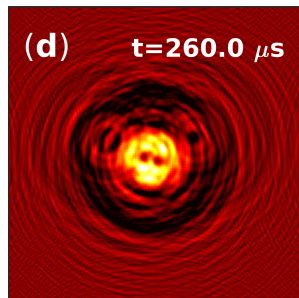
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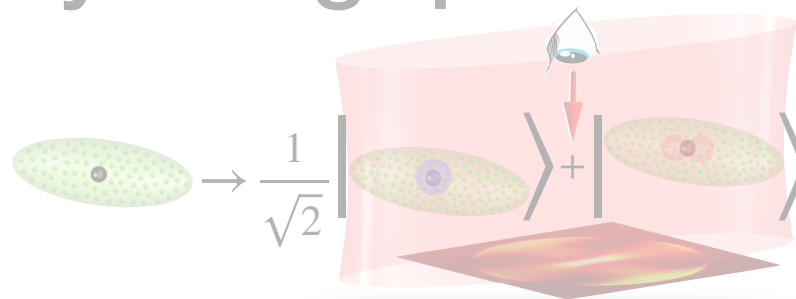
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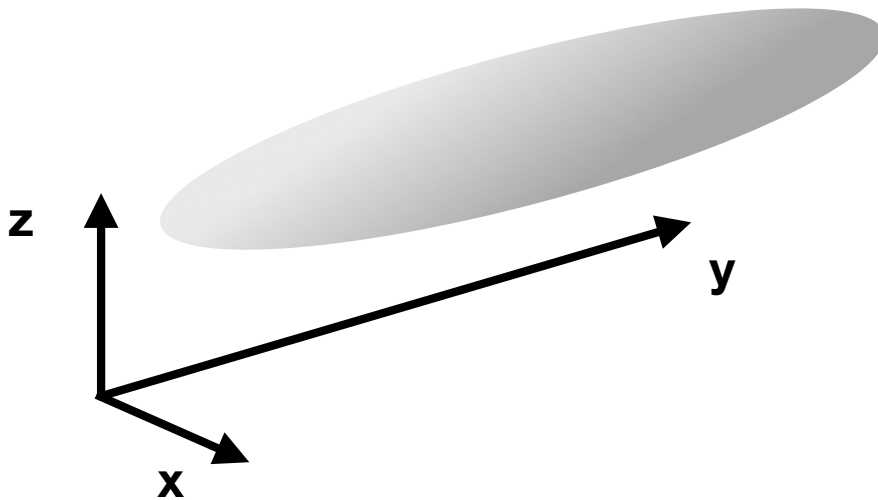




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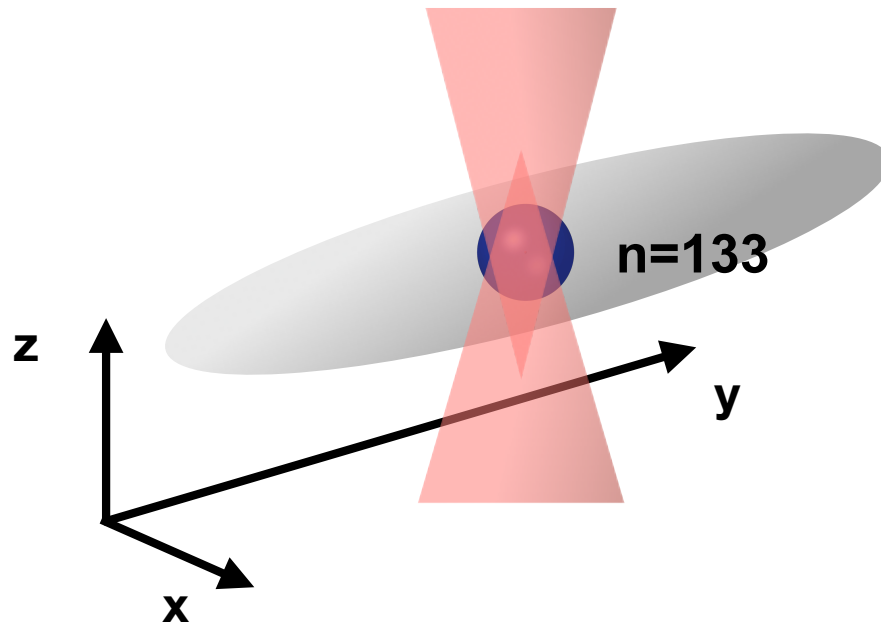


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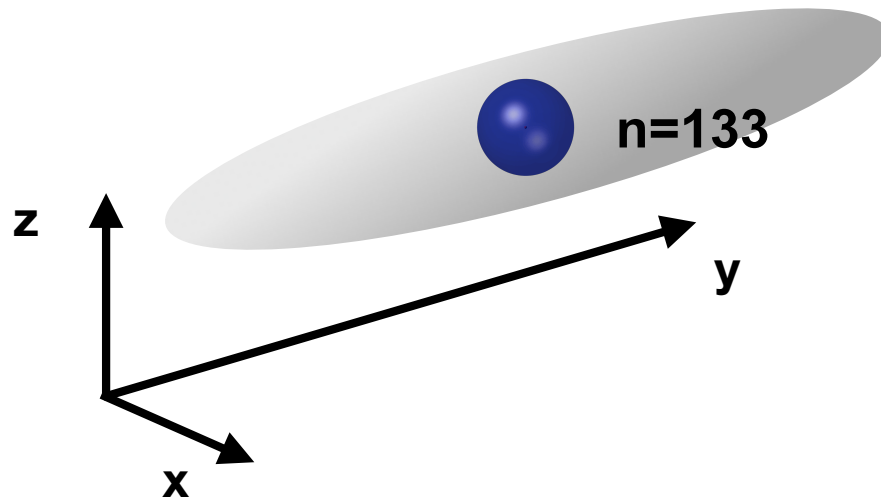


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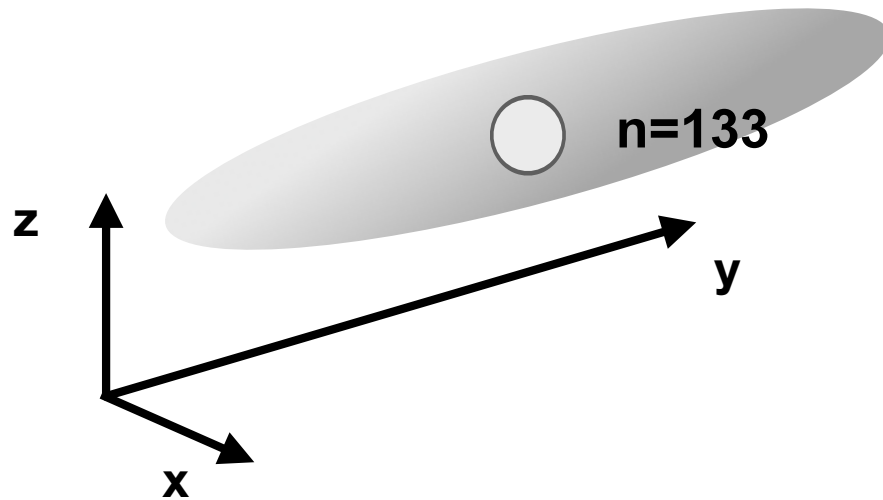


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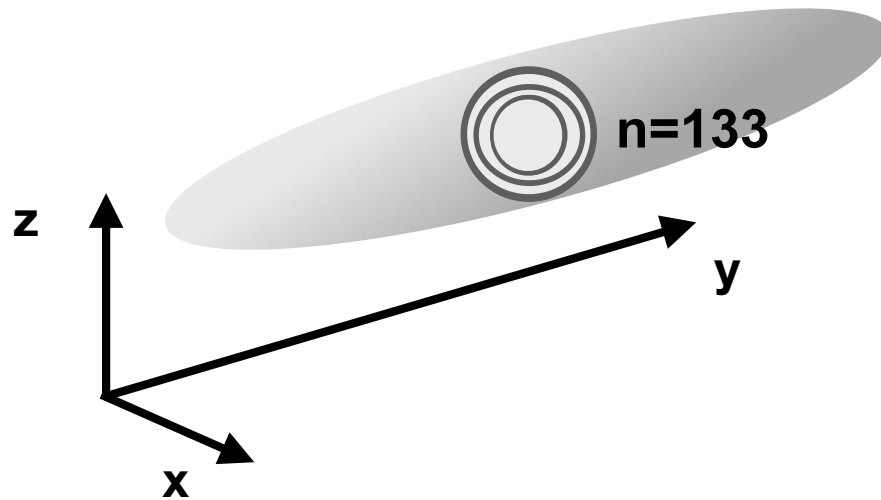


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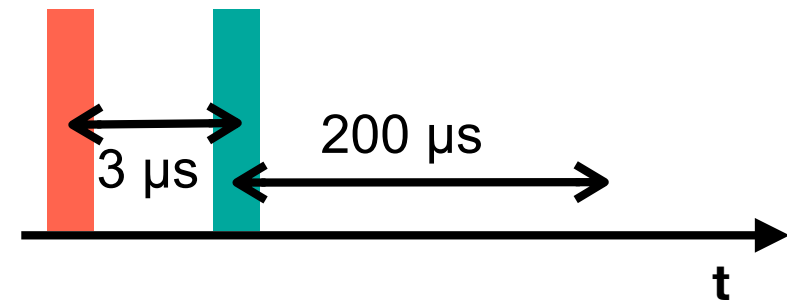


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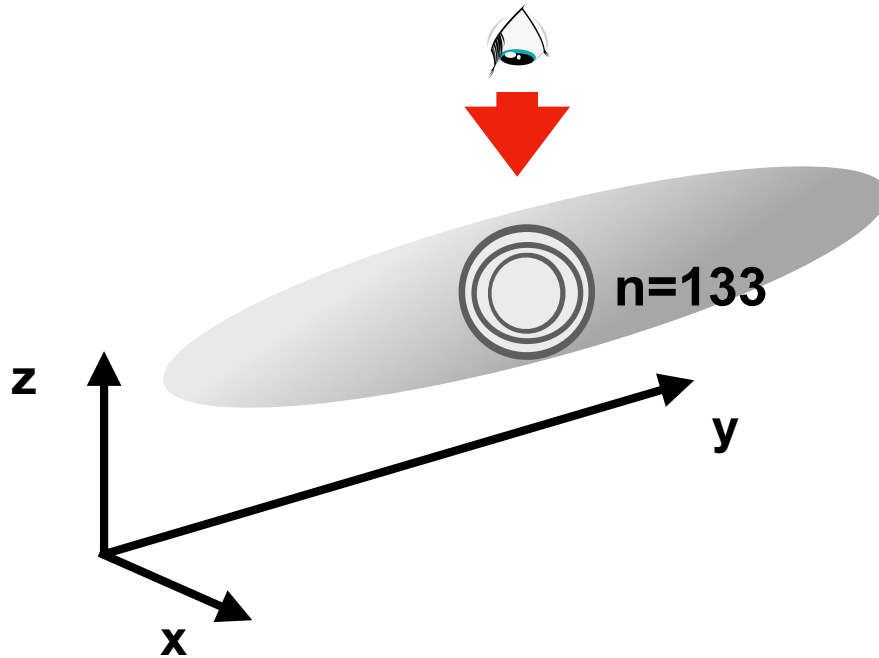


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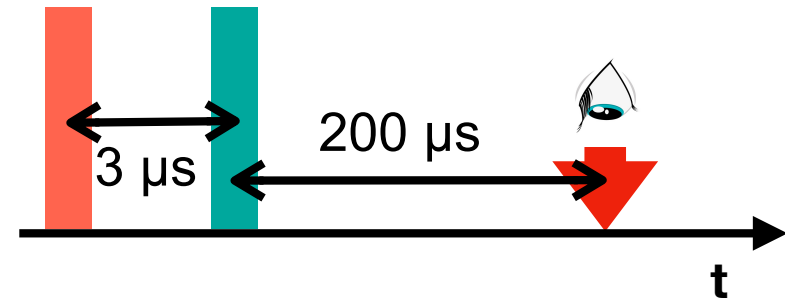


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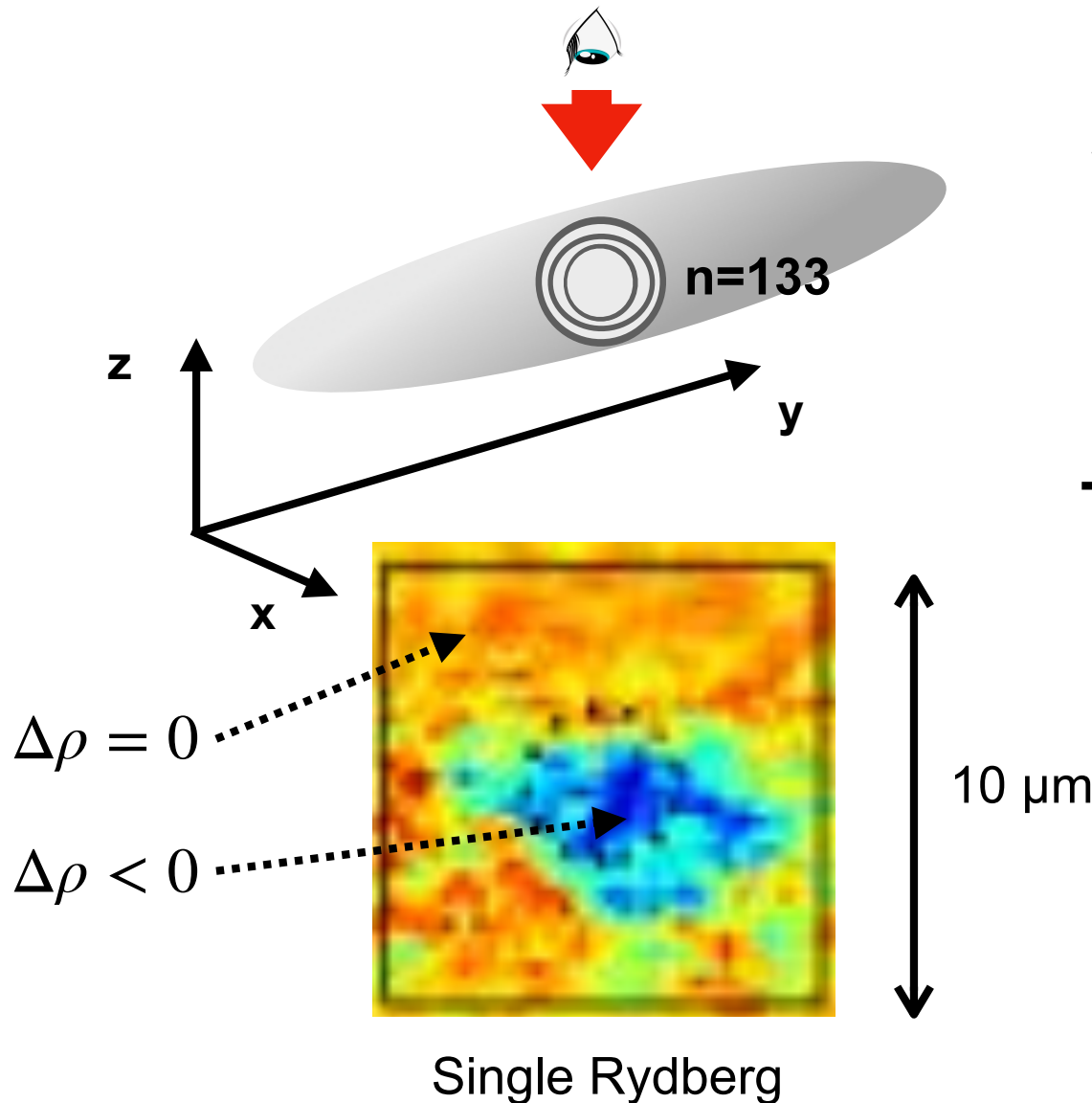


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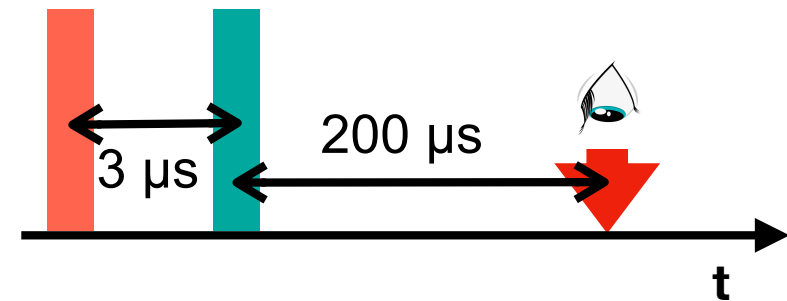


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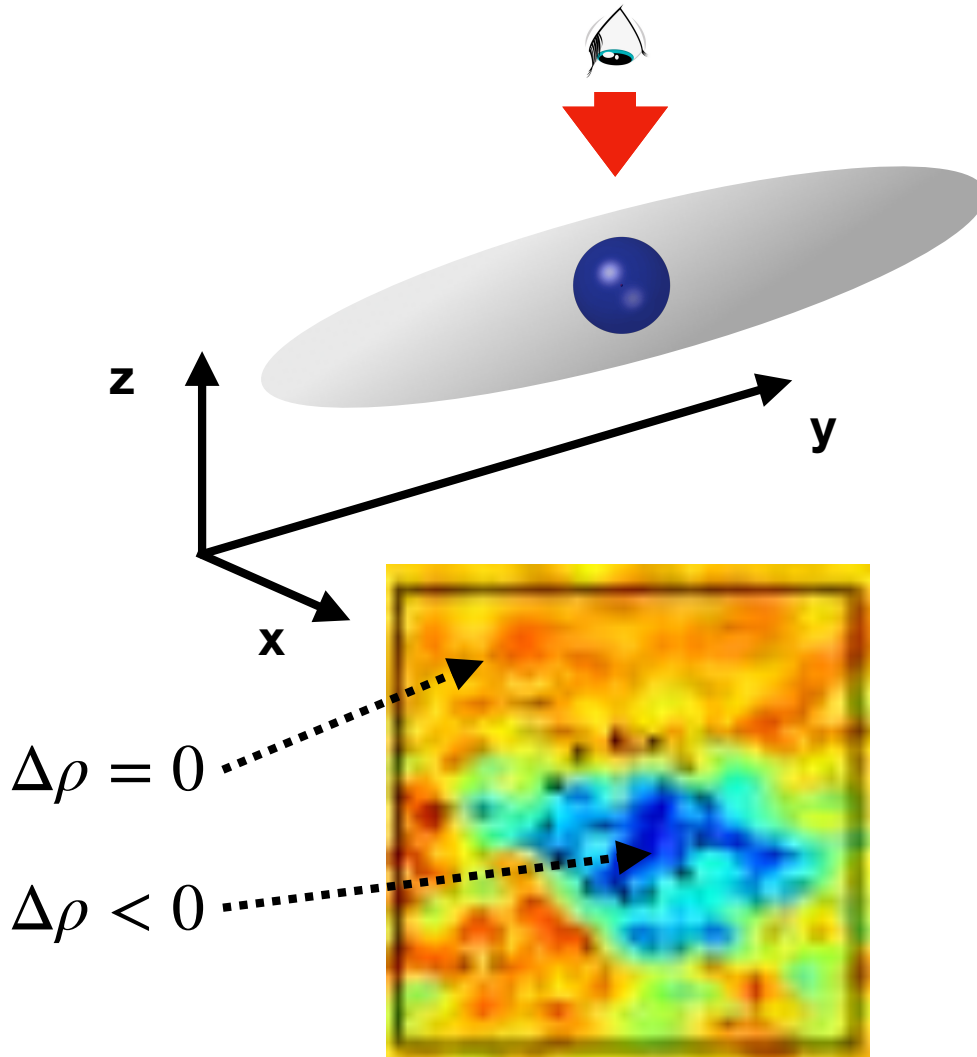


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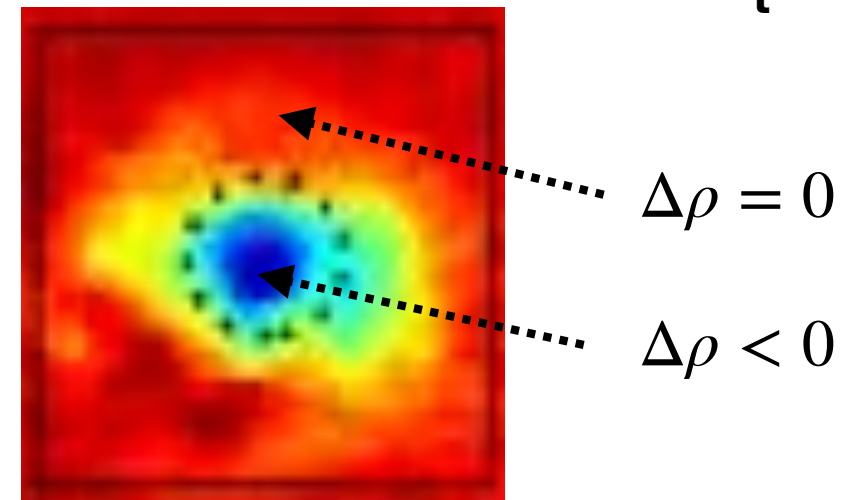
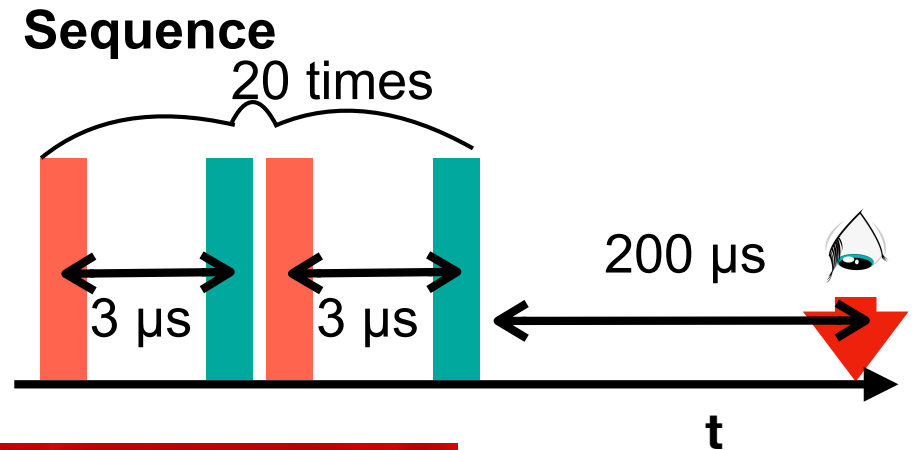


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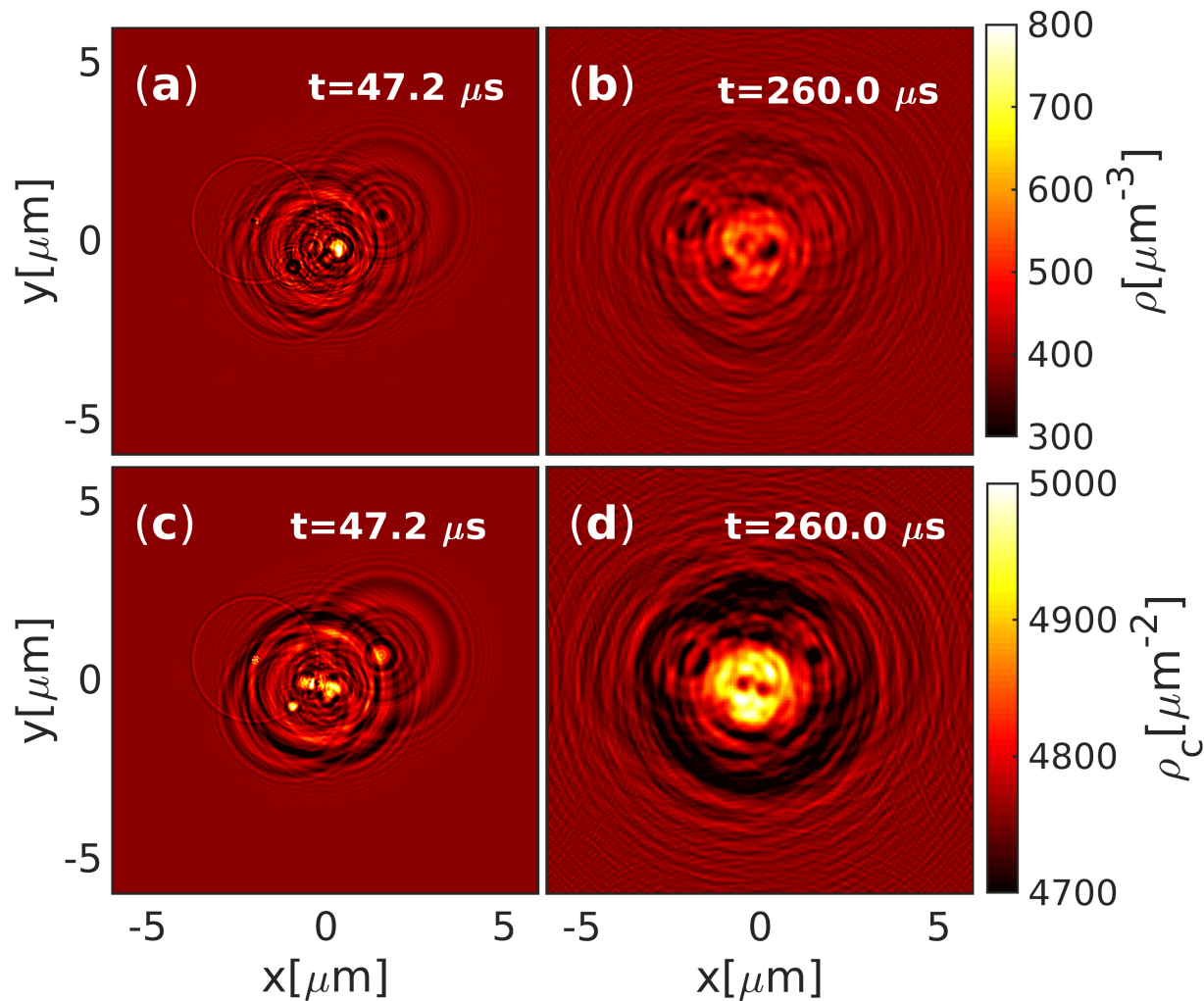
20 Rydbergs for $3\ \mu\text{s}$ each
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Experimental images by Felix Engel and Florian Meinert, Univ. Stuttgart

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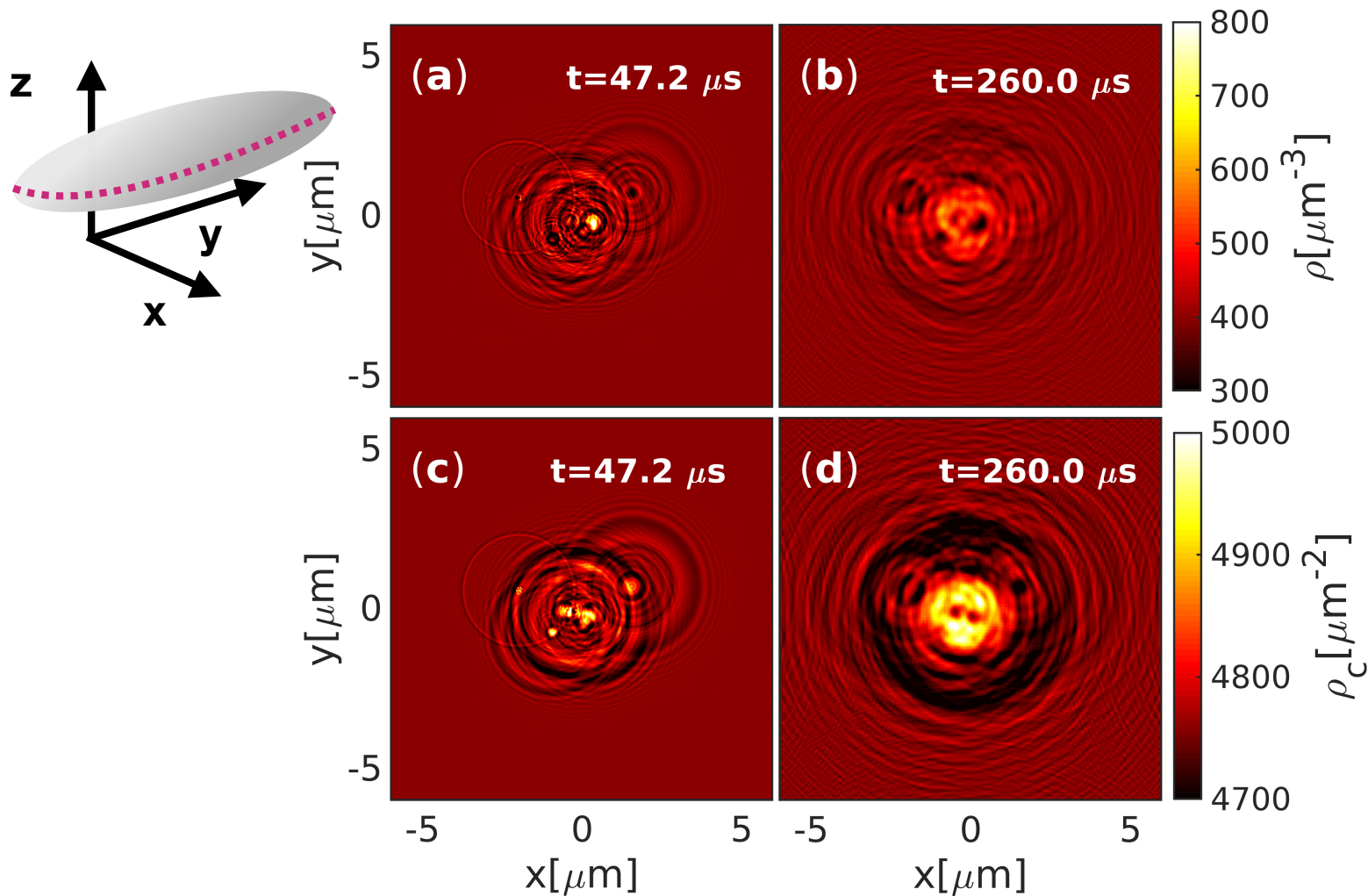


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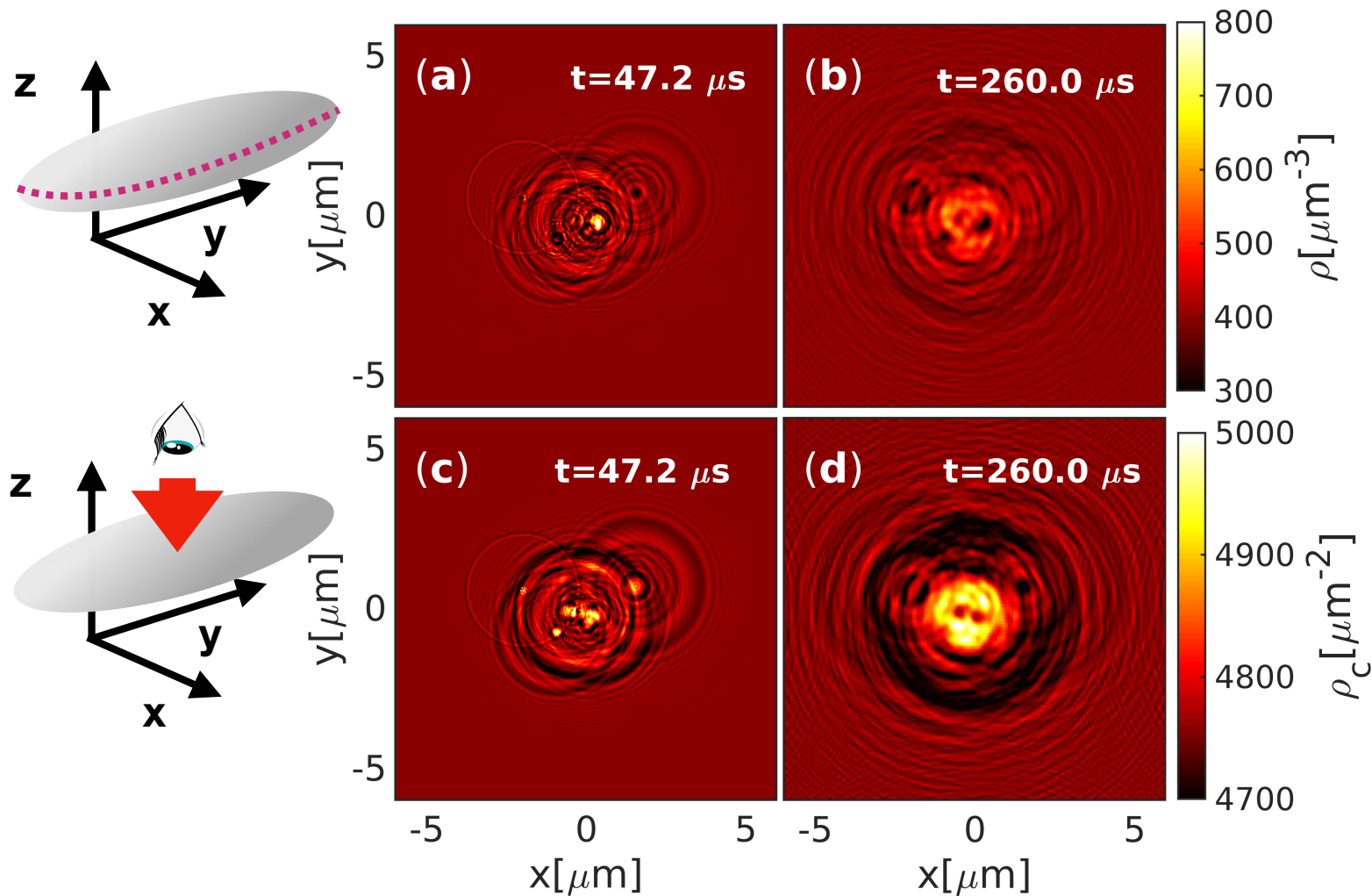


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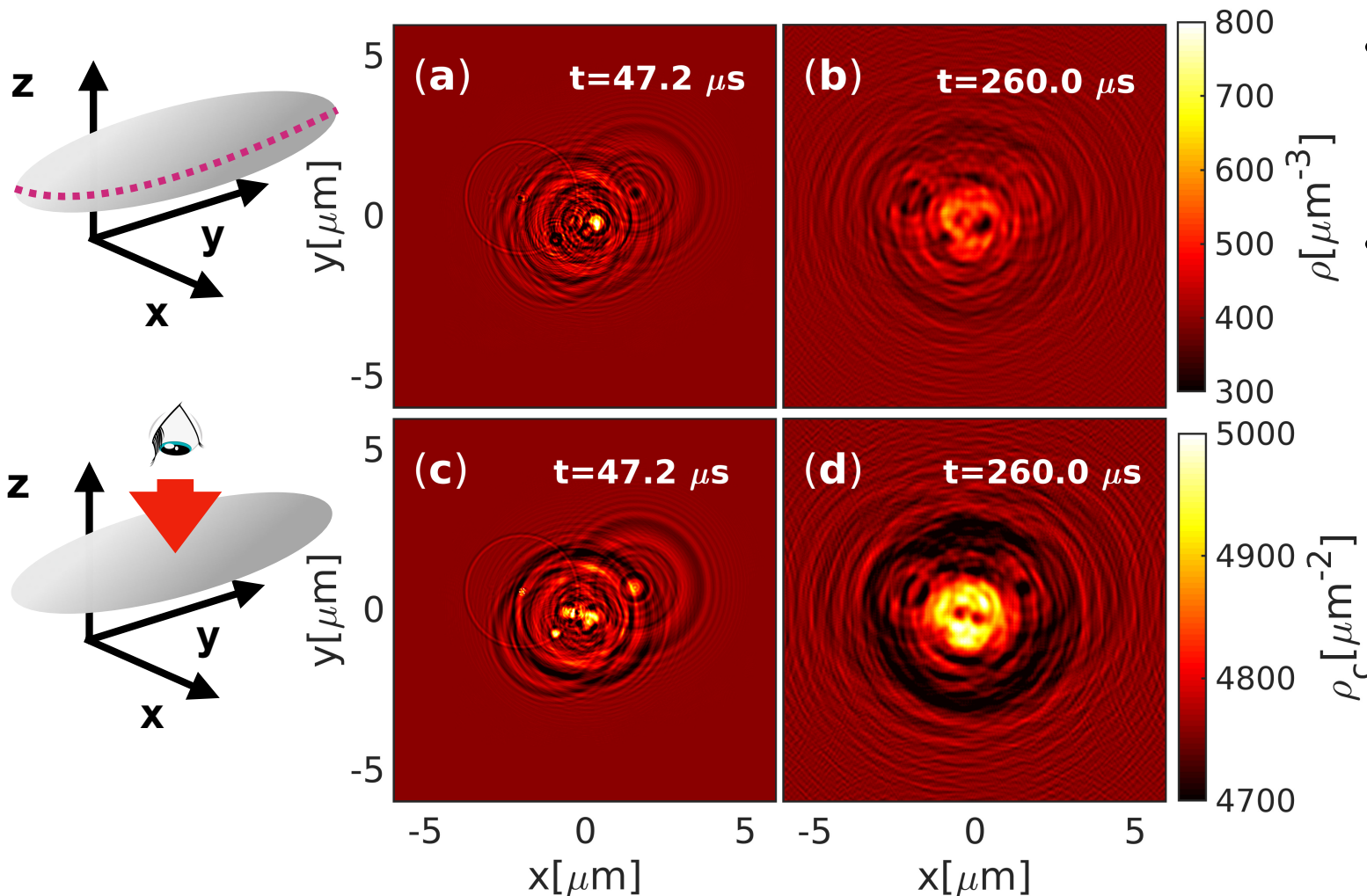


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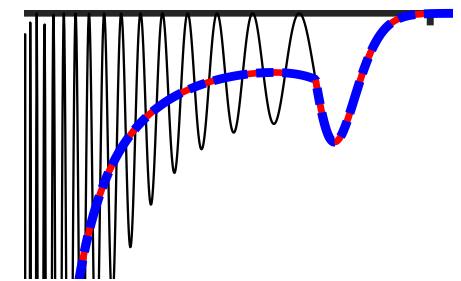
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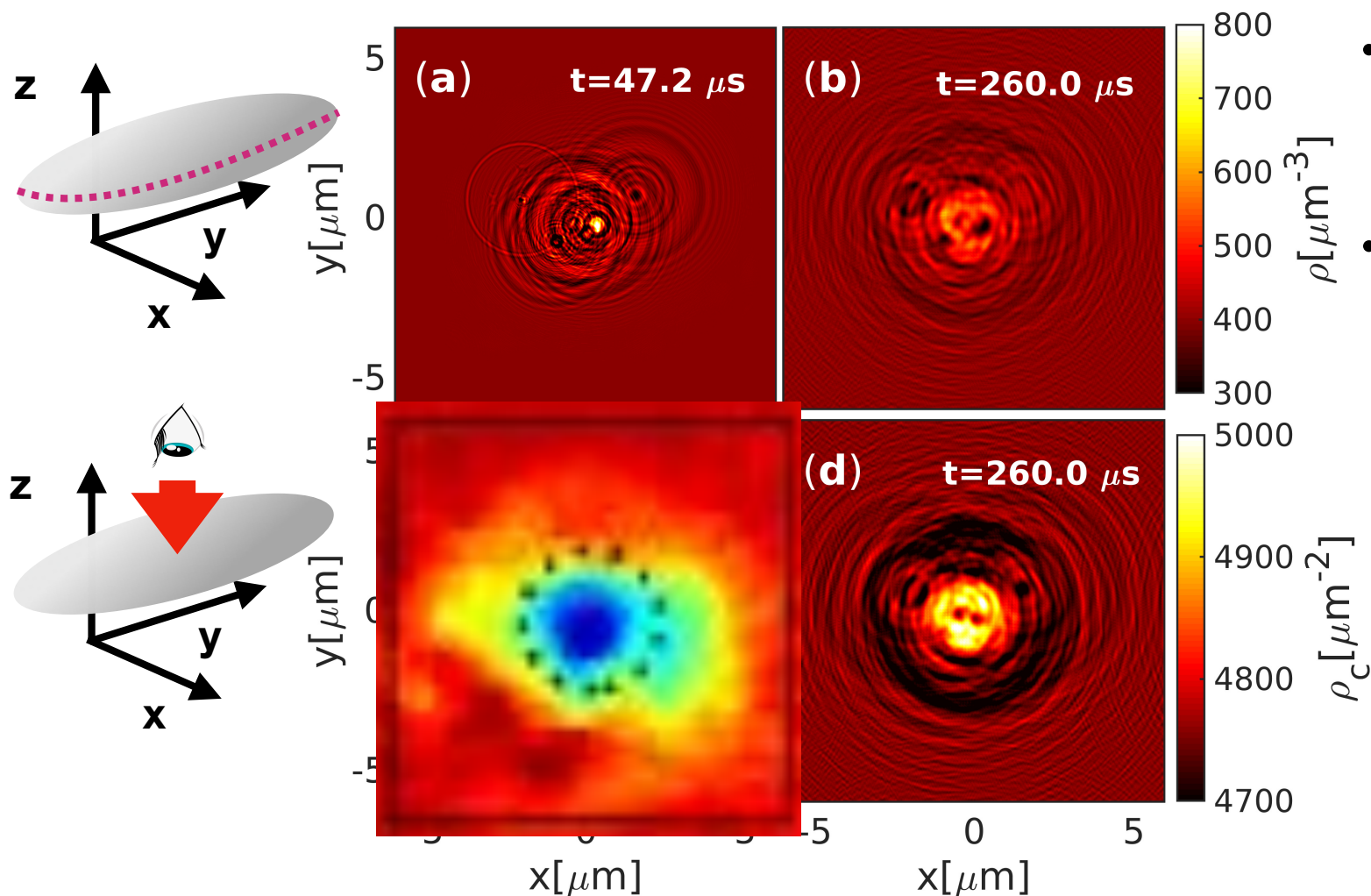


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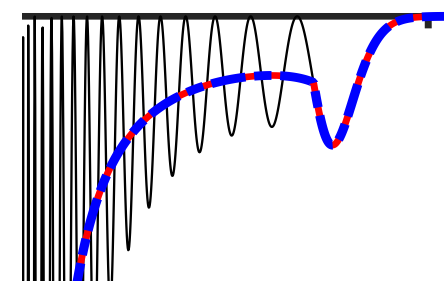
Simulations

GPE (3D) with randomized Rydberg location

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(\mathbf{R}) = \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + W(\mathbf{R}) + g |\phi(\mathbf{R})|^2 + V_0 |\Psi(\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{x}_n)|^2 \right) \phi(\mathbf{R})$$



- Net attraction to focus, not seen in experiment
- Sensitivity to detailed Rydberg-BEC interactions or non-mean field dynamics?

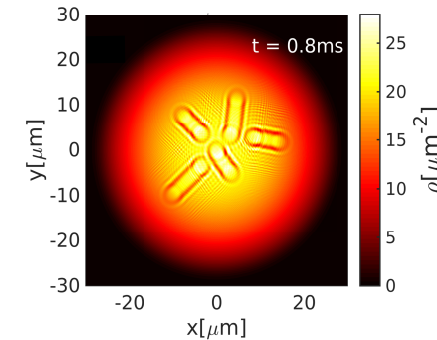


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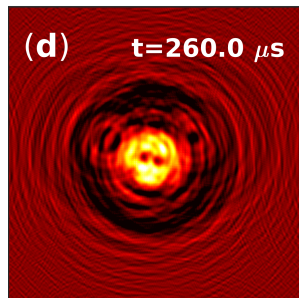
Outline

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PRA **99** 043616 (2019)



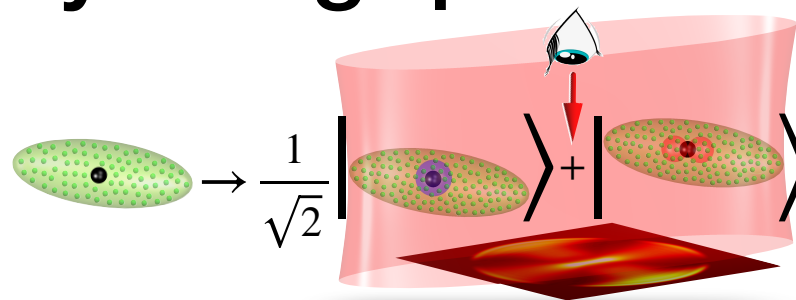
(II) BEC response to Rydberg insertion



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(III) Decoherence of Rydberg qubits in a BEC

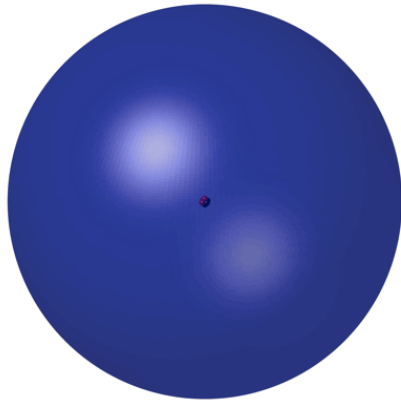
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Rydberg qubit



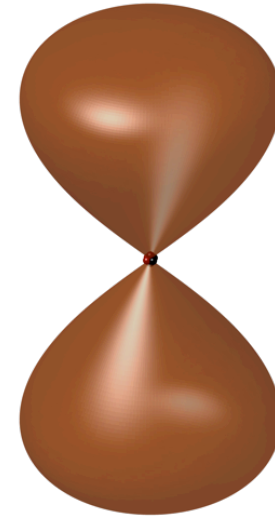
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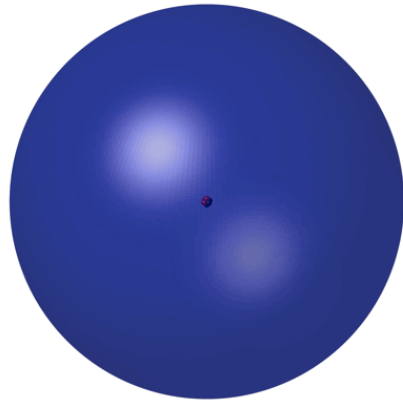
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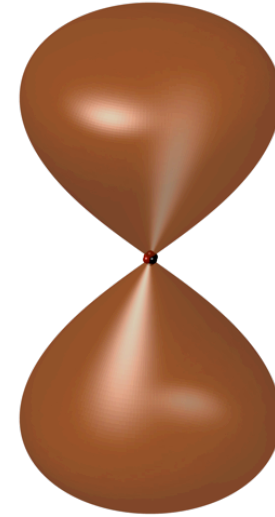
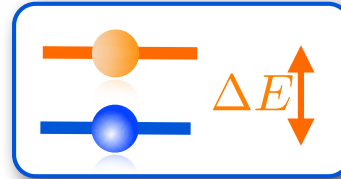
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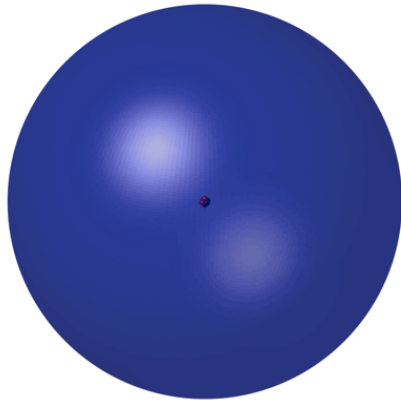


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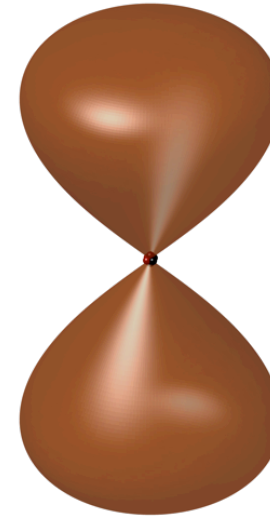
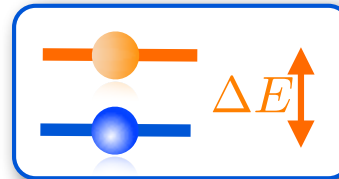
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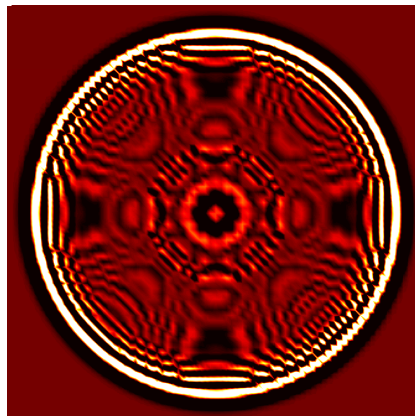
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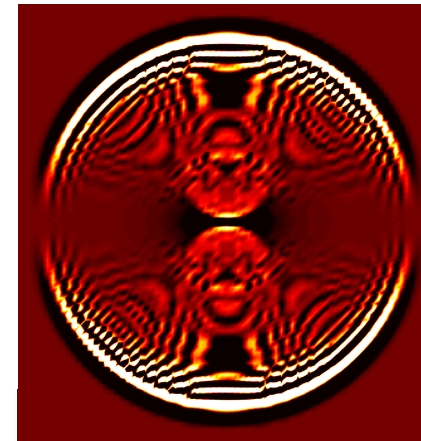
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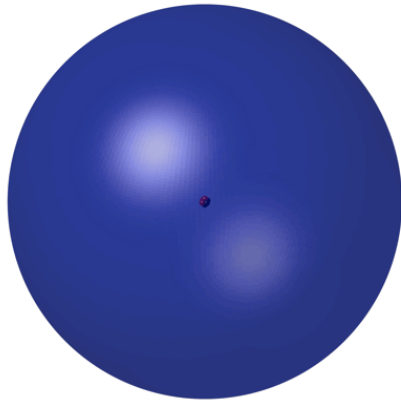


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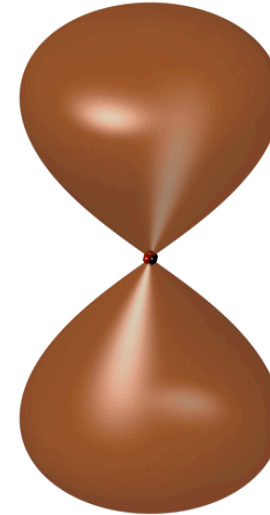
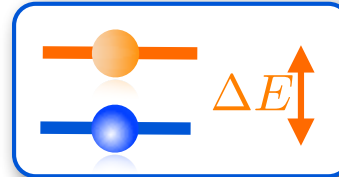
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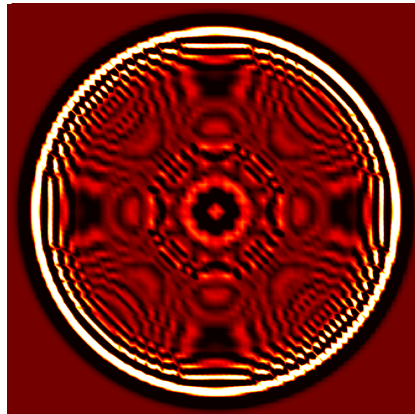
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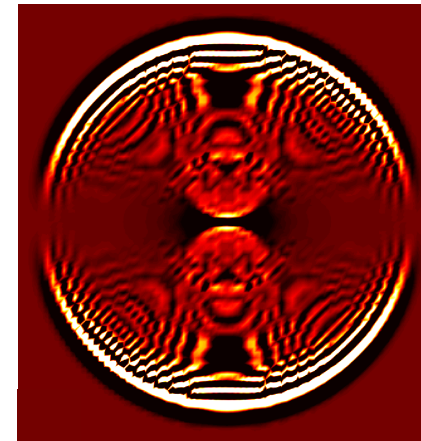
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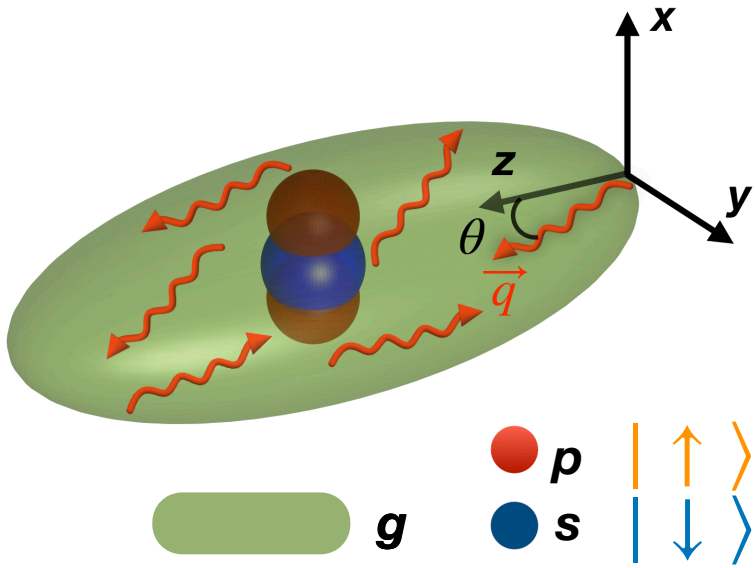
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$$|\Psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\rangle)?$$

- We only have **one** mean field, need to go beyond GPE?

Bogoliubov Spin-Boson model

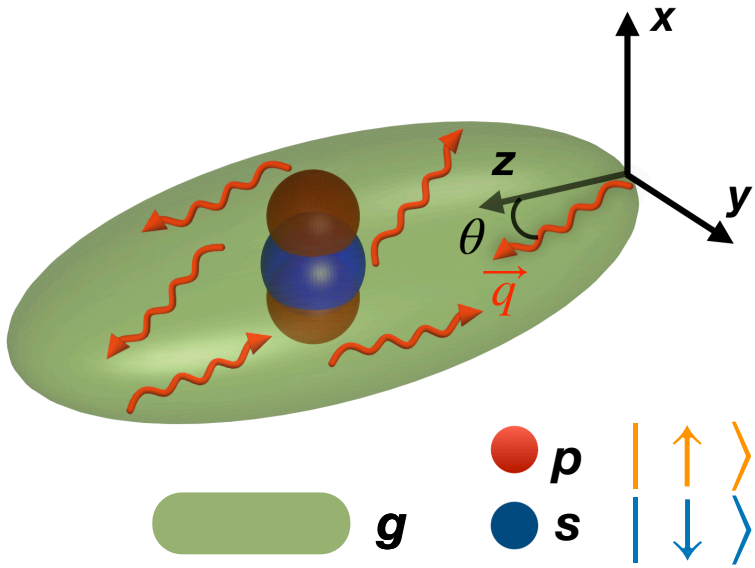


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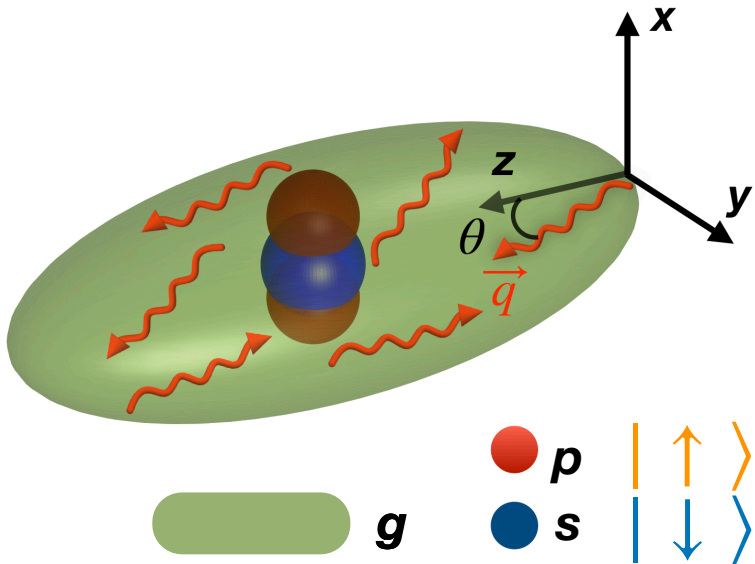
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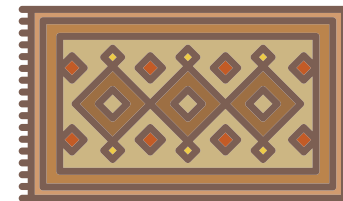
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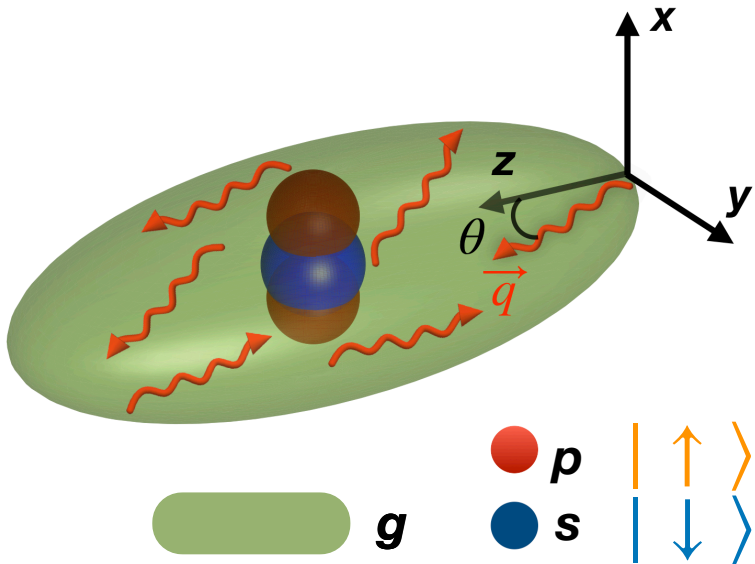
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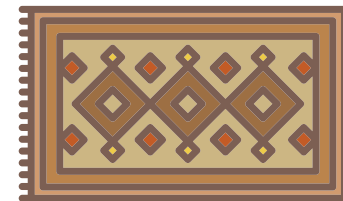
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For g-impurities:
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GPE comparison



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
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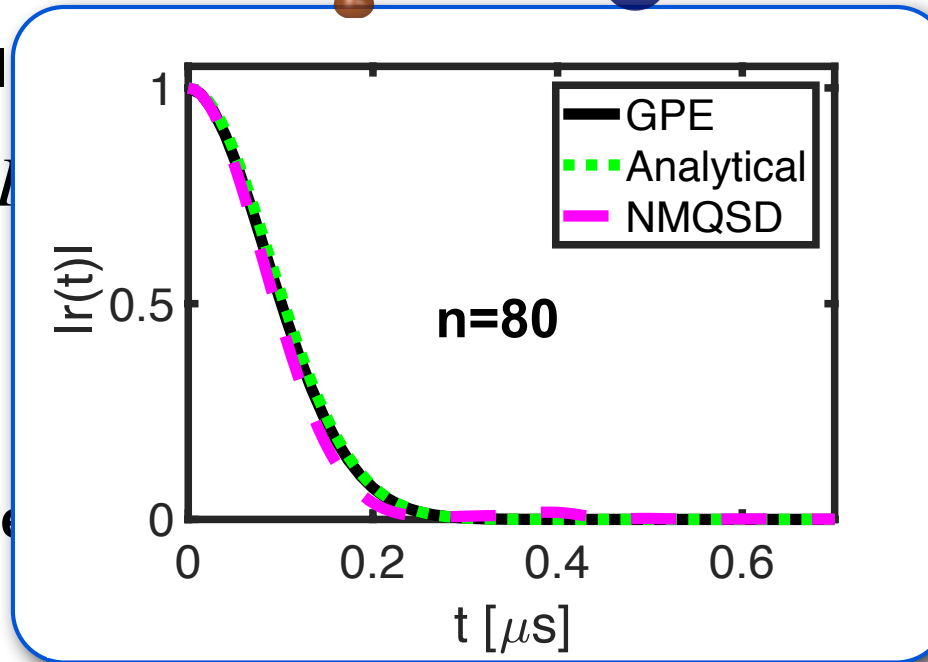
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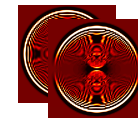
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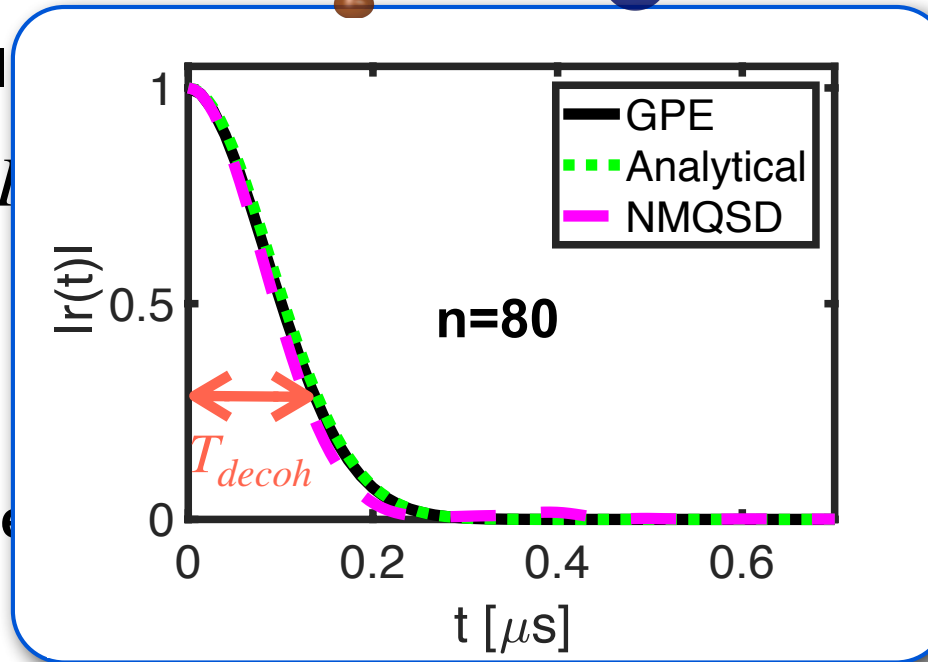
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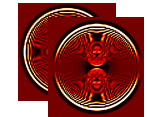
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GPE



Decoherence times

$$T_{\text{decoh}} \approx 20 \text{ ns} \quad n=40$$

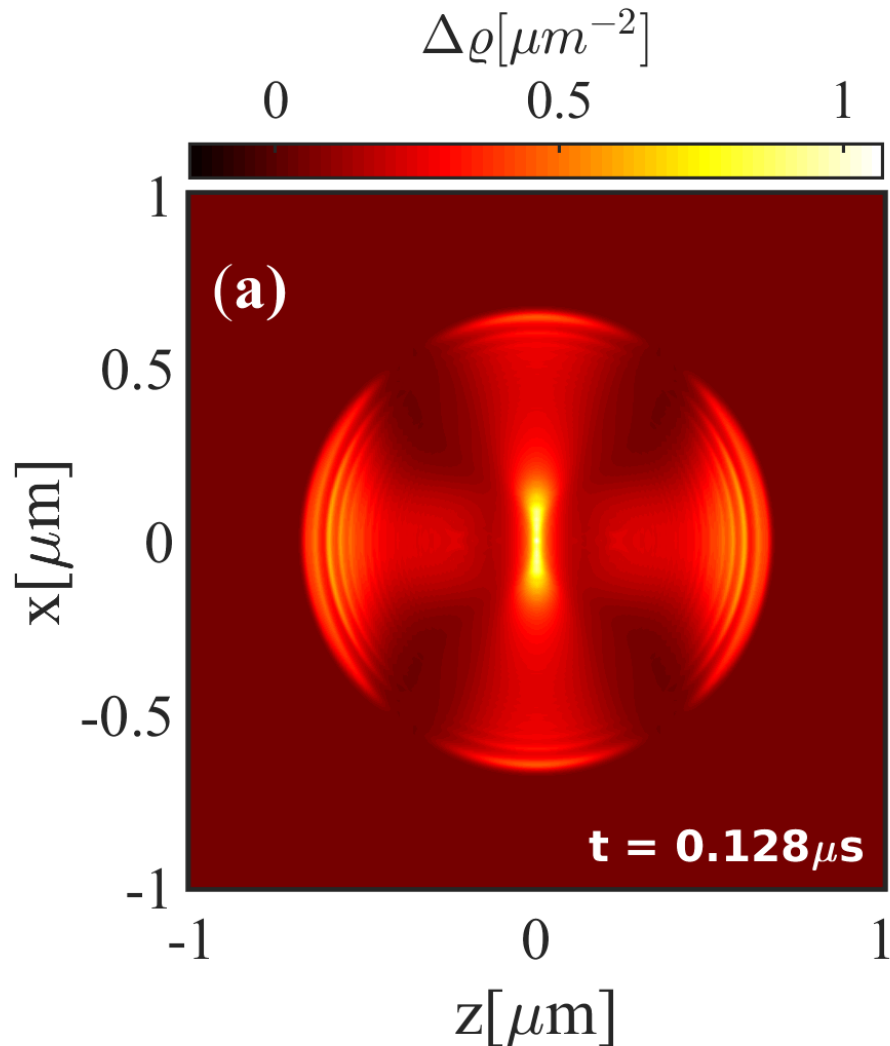
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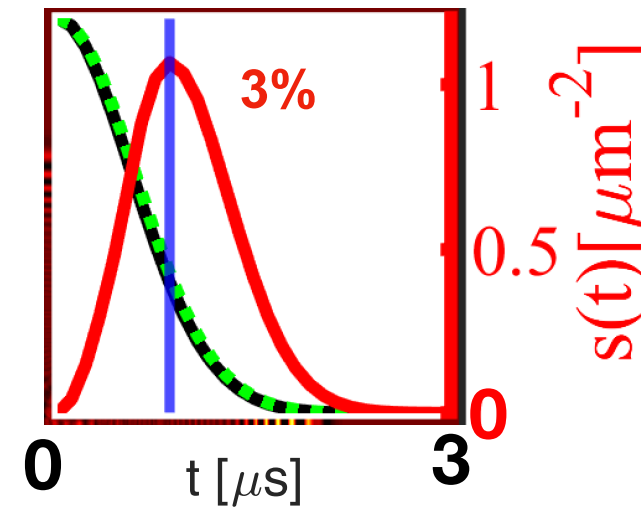
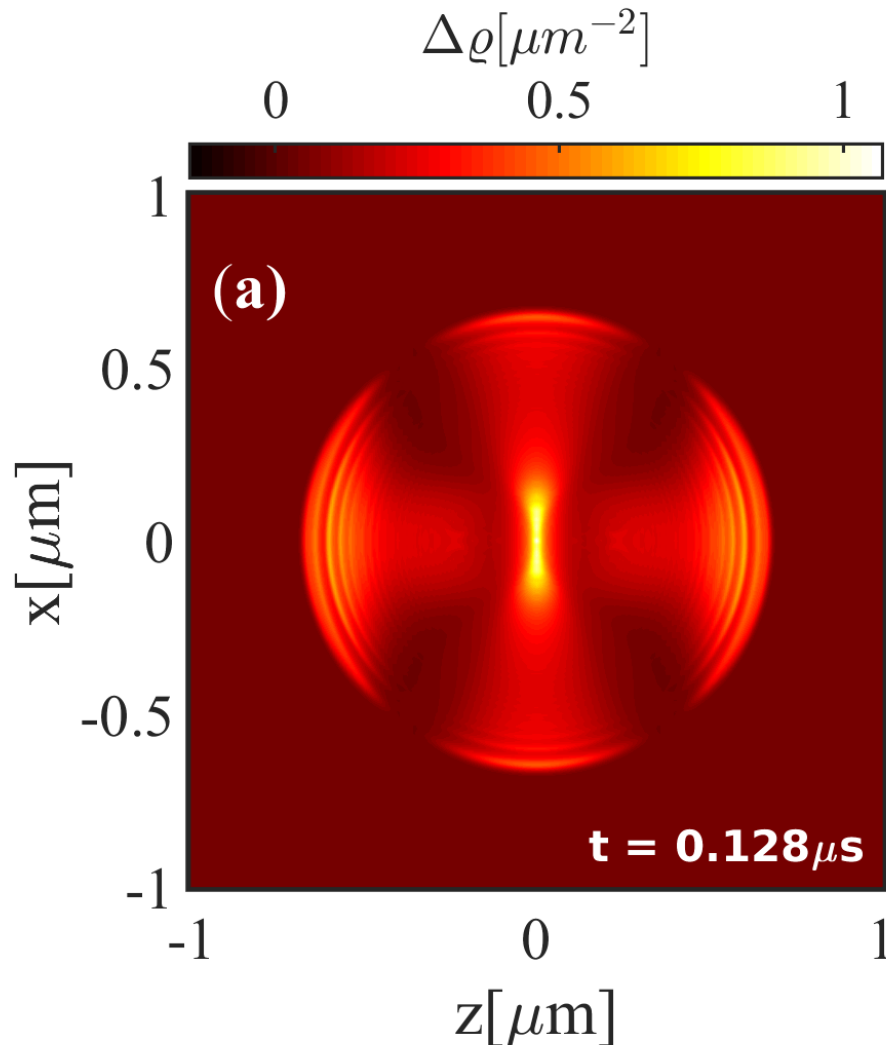
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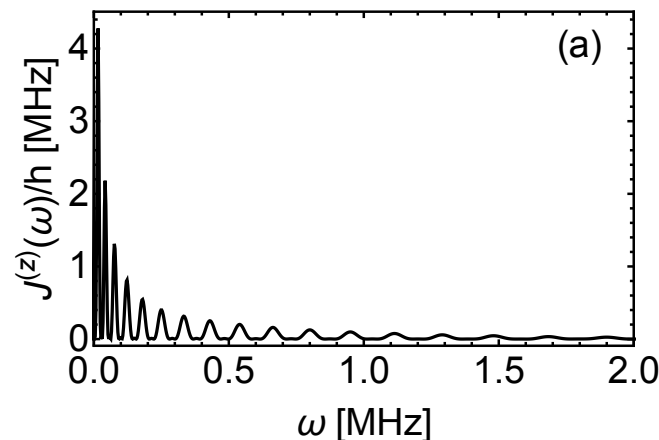
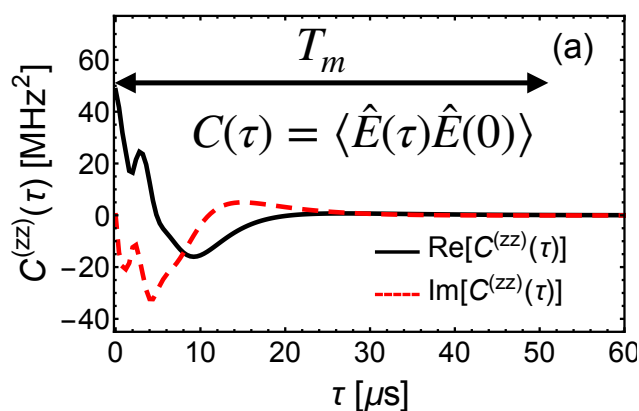


- Transient glimpse at many-body entanglement at the root of decoherence:

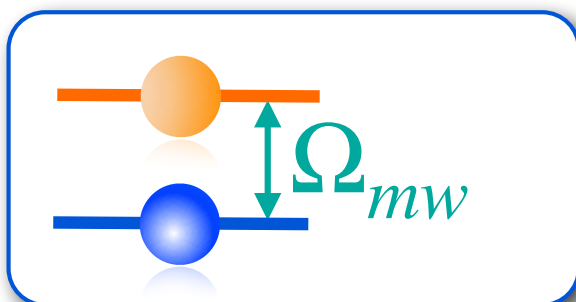
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Open quantum system

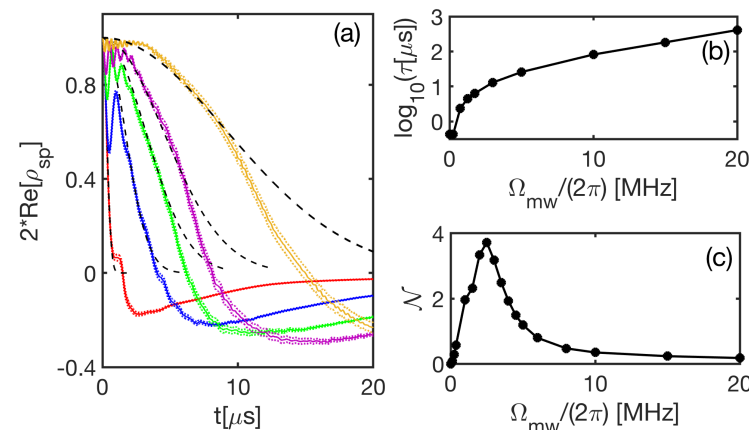
Environment (phonon) correlation functions and spectral densities



Non-Markovian Rydberg qubit dynamics



using **NMQSD**: Suess et al. PRL **113** (2014) 150403.





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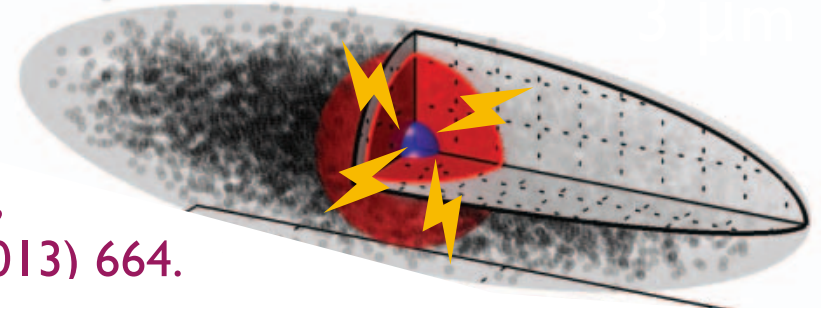
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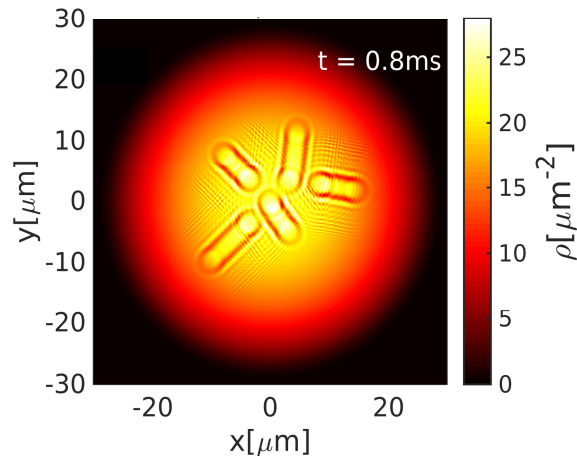
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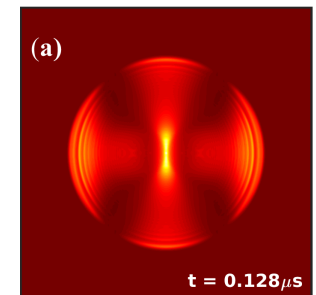
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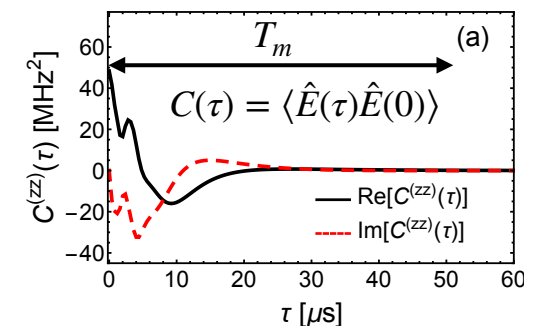


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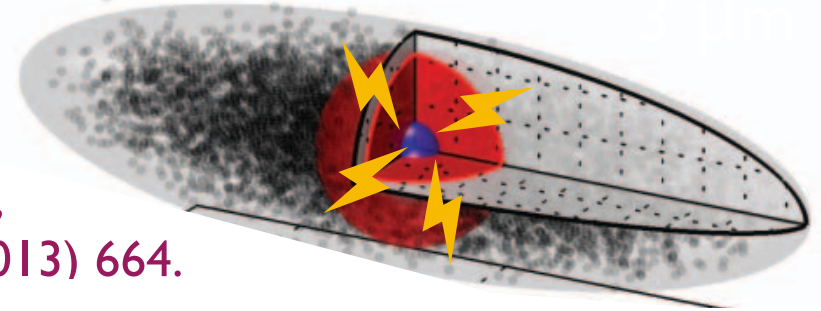
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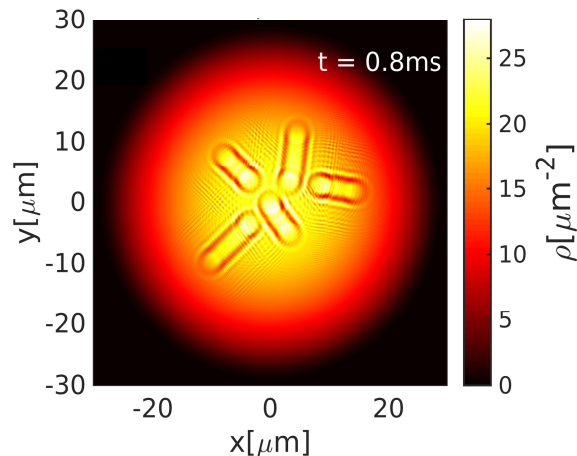
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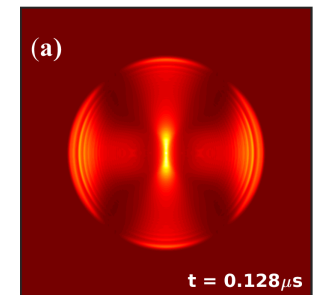
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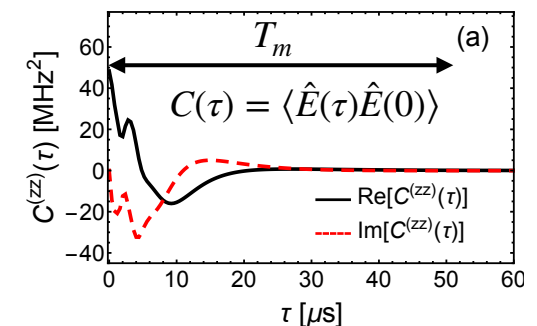


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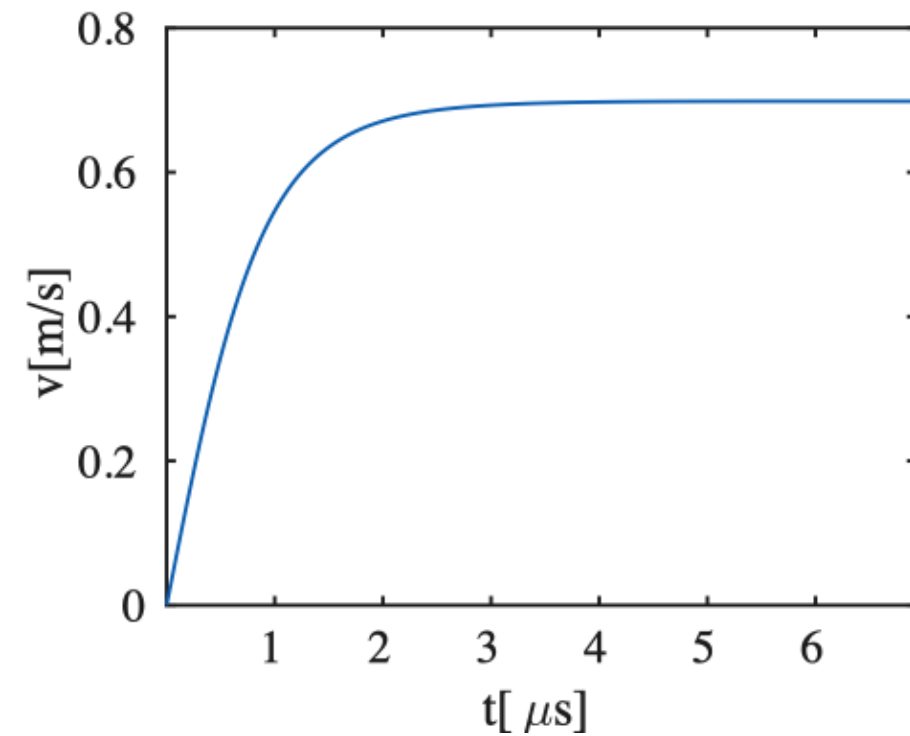
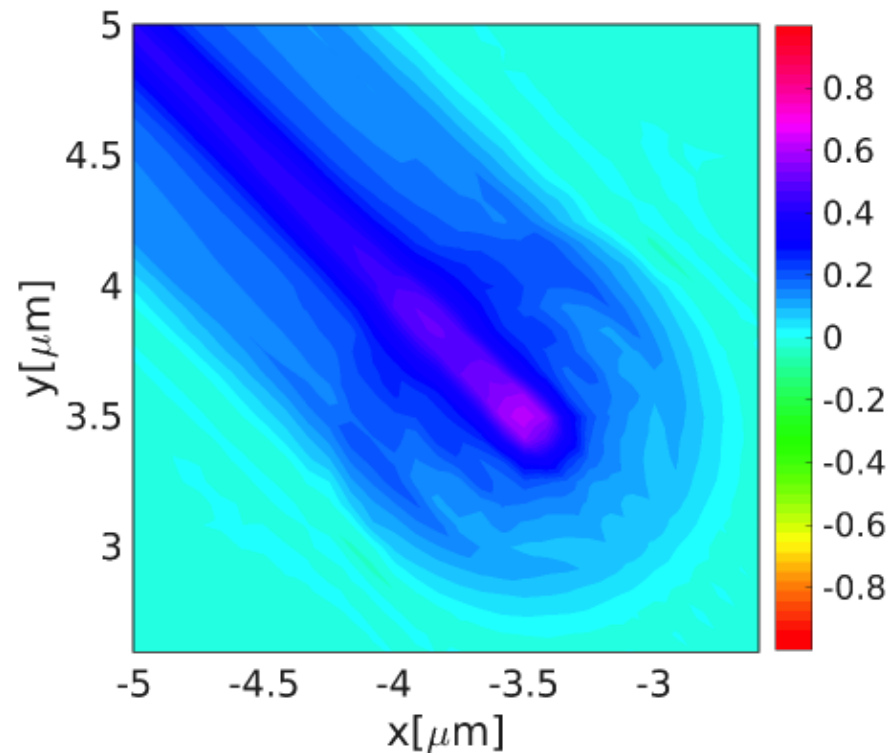


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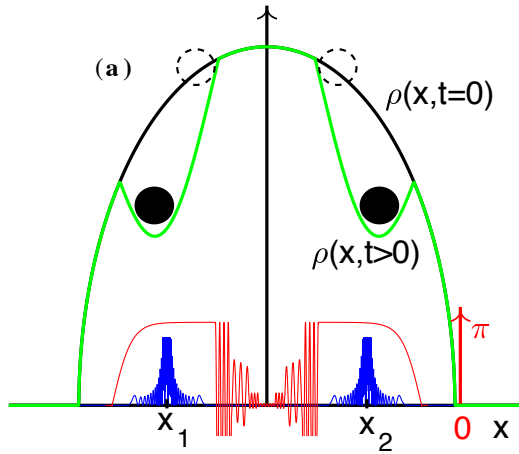


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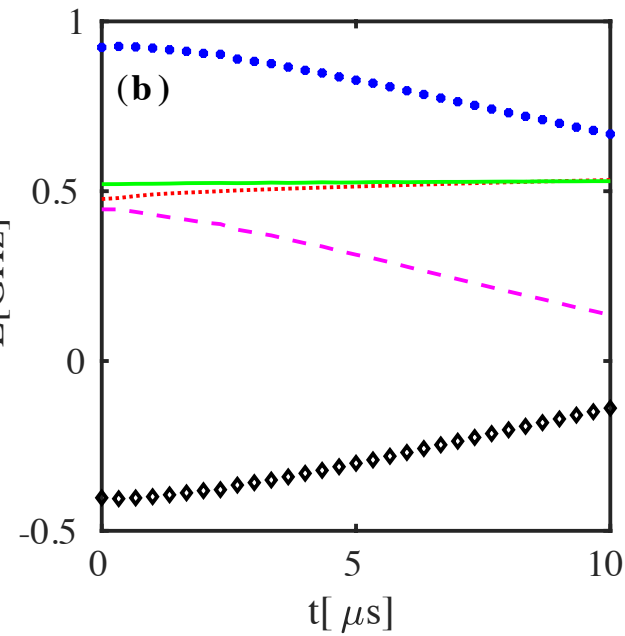
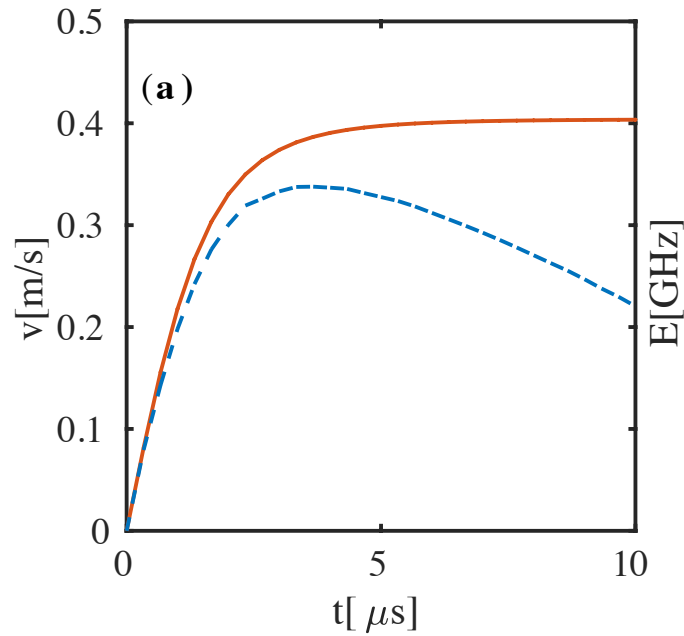


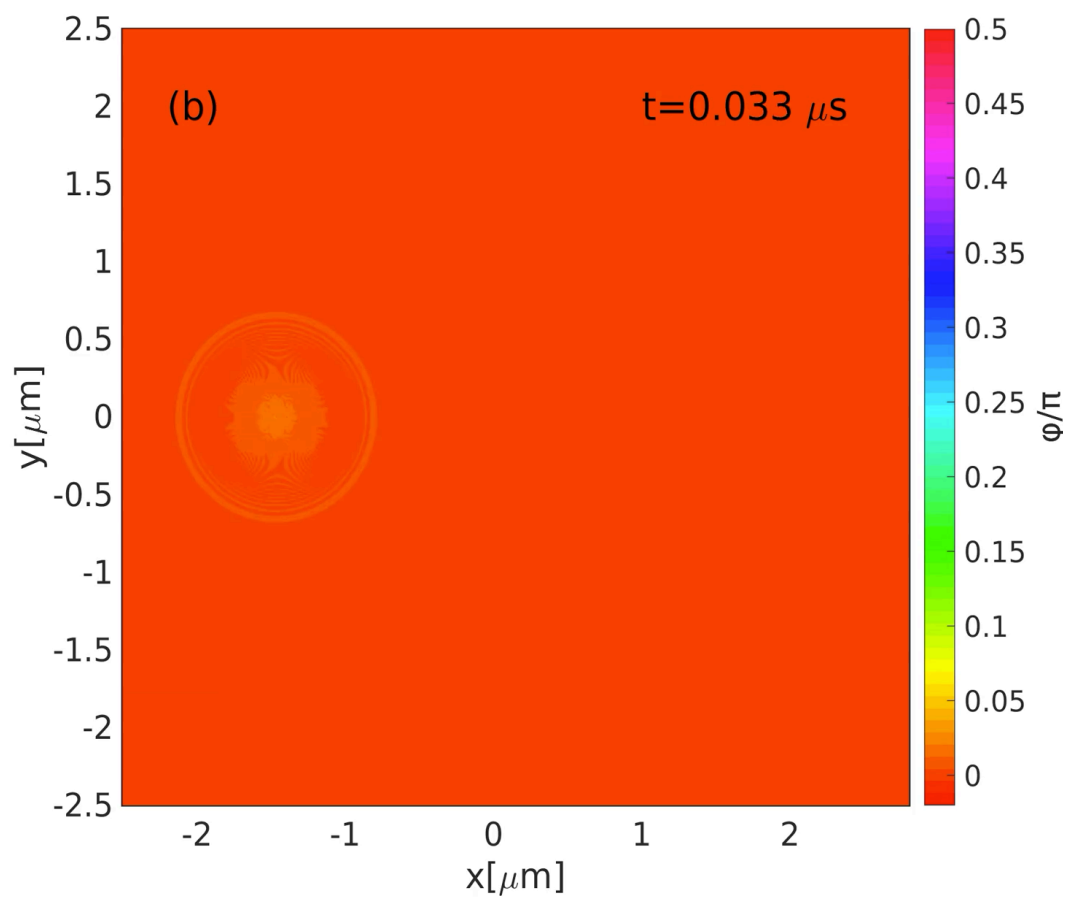
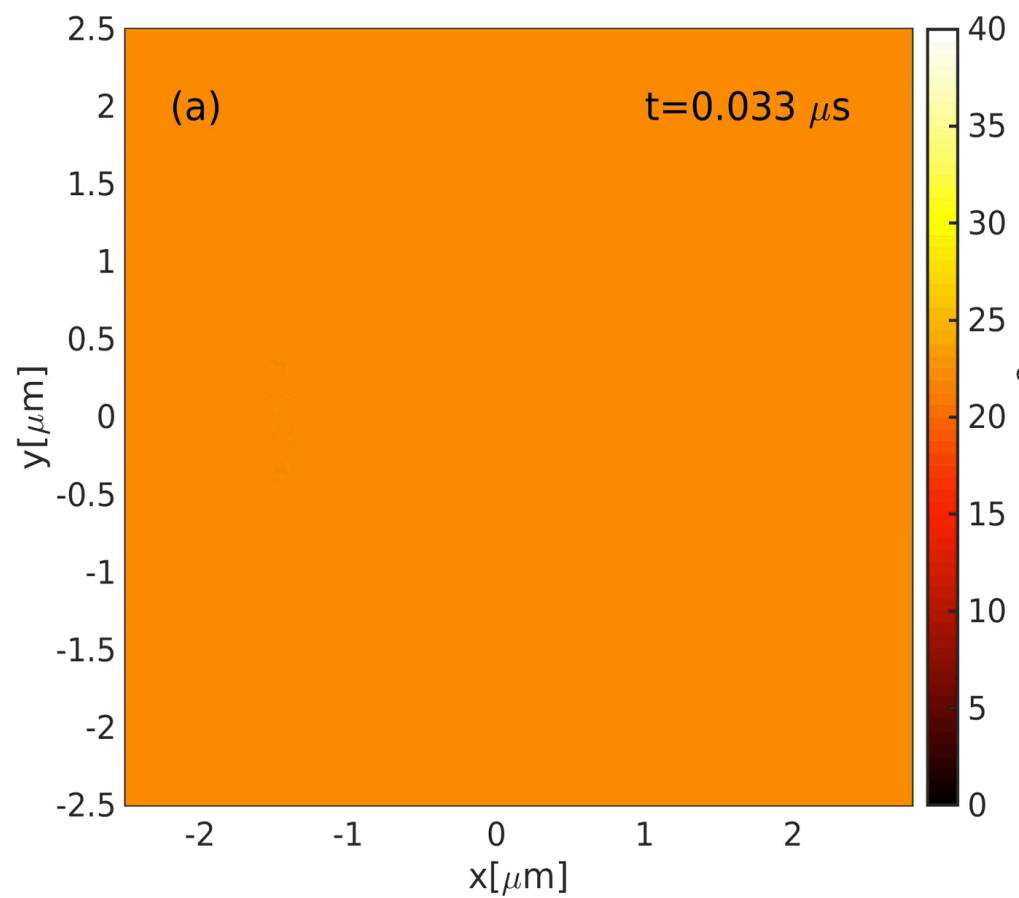
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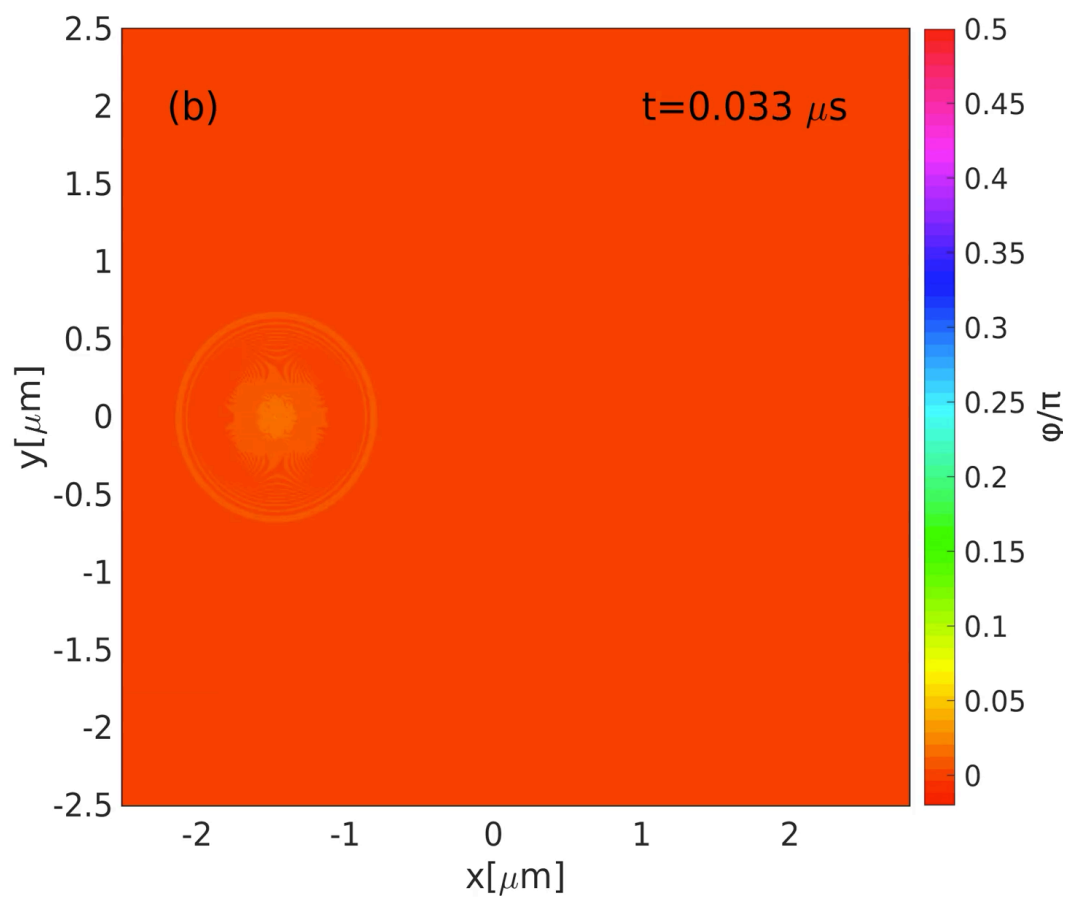
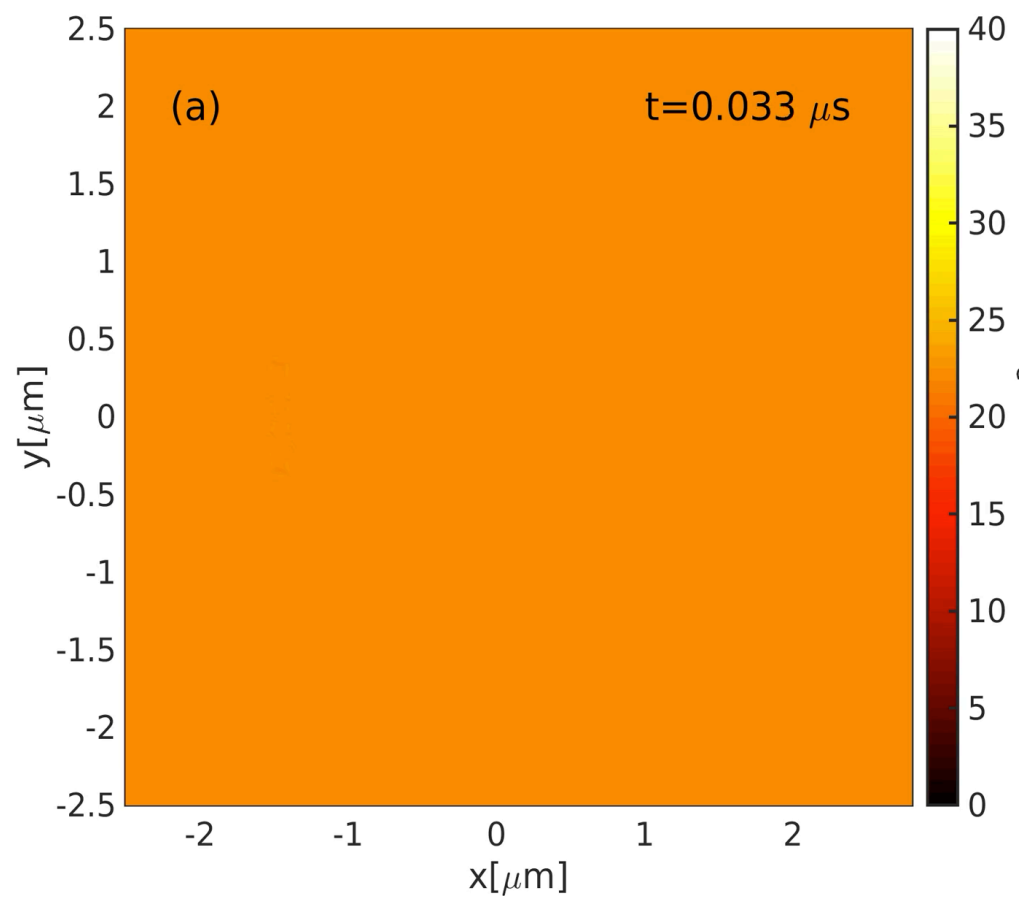


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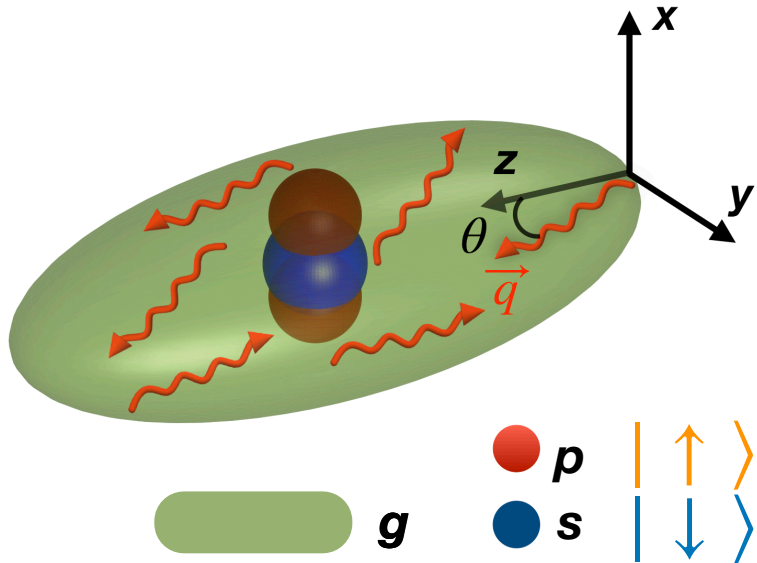
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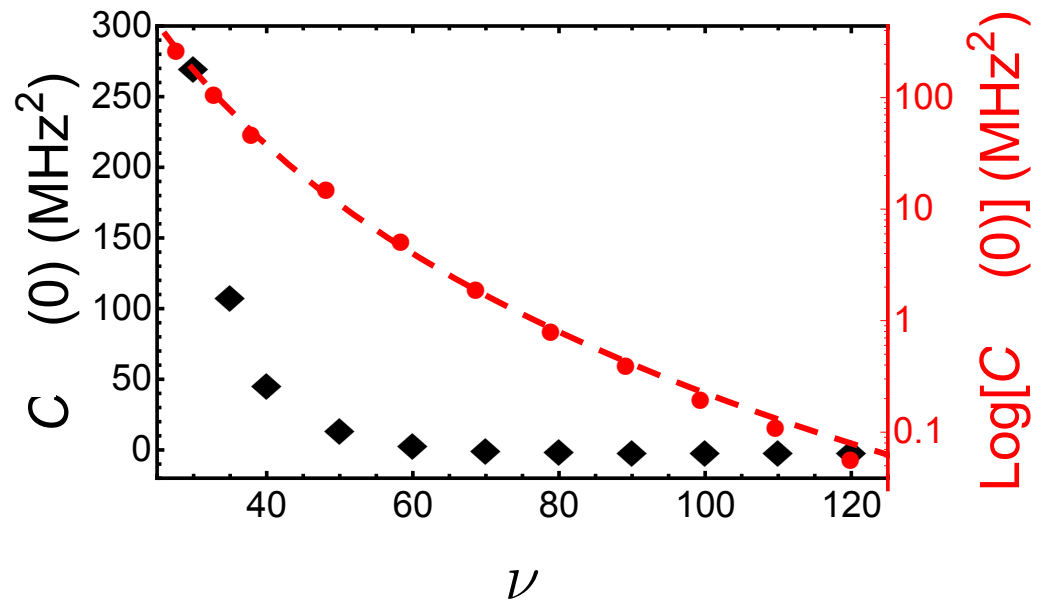
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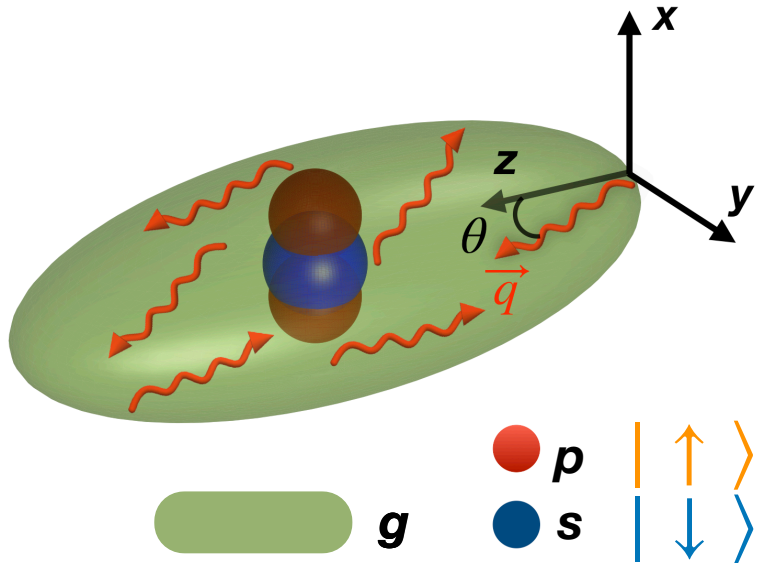
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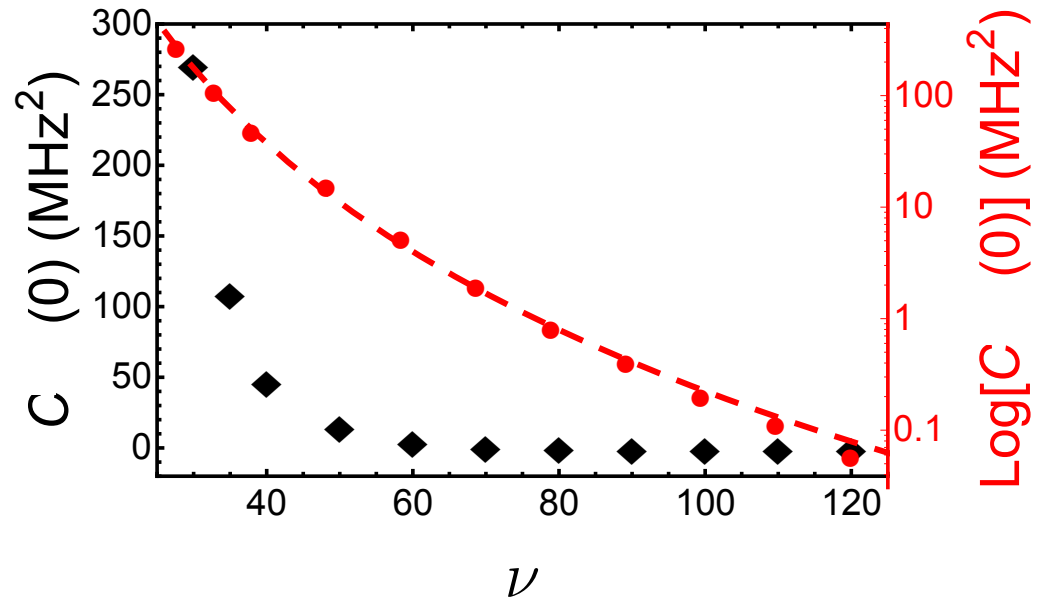
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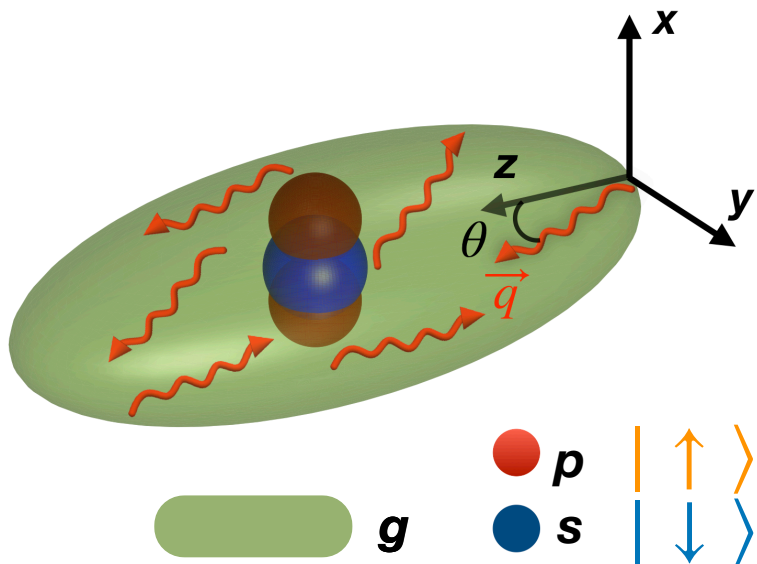
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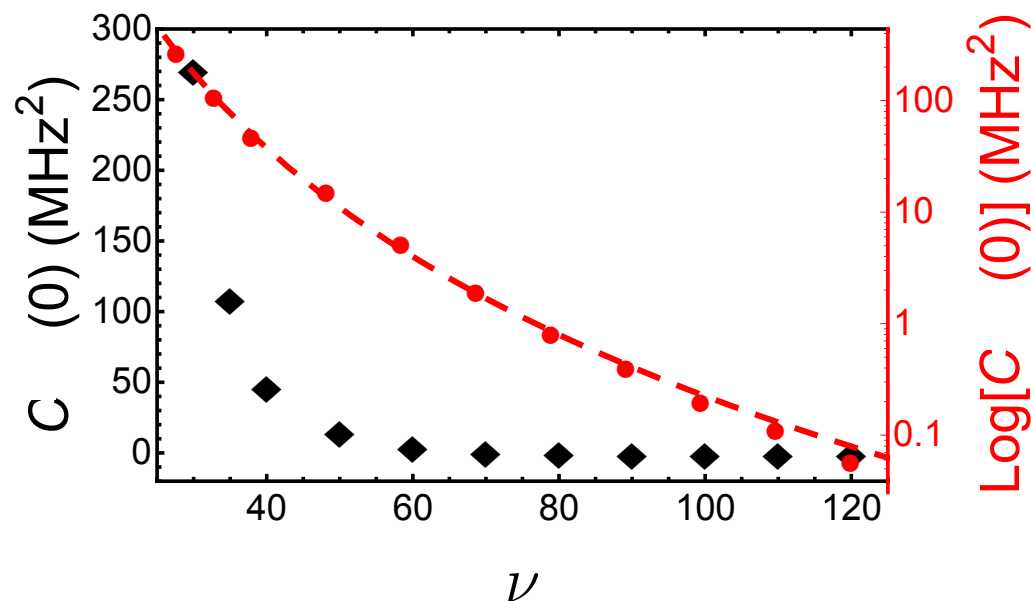
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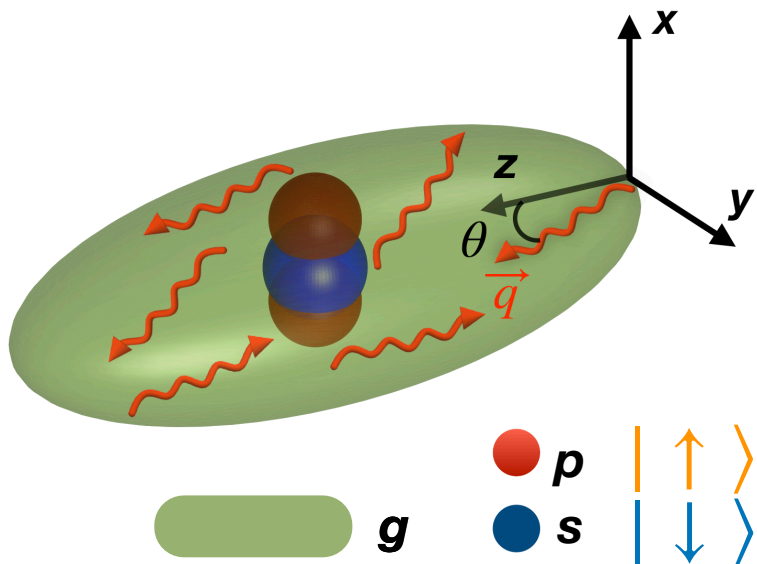
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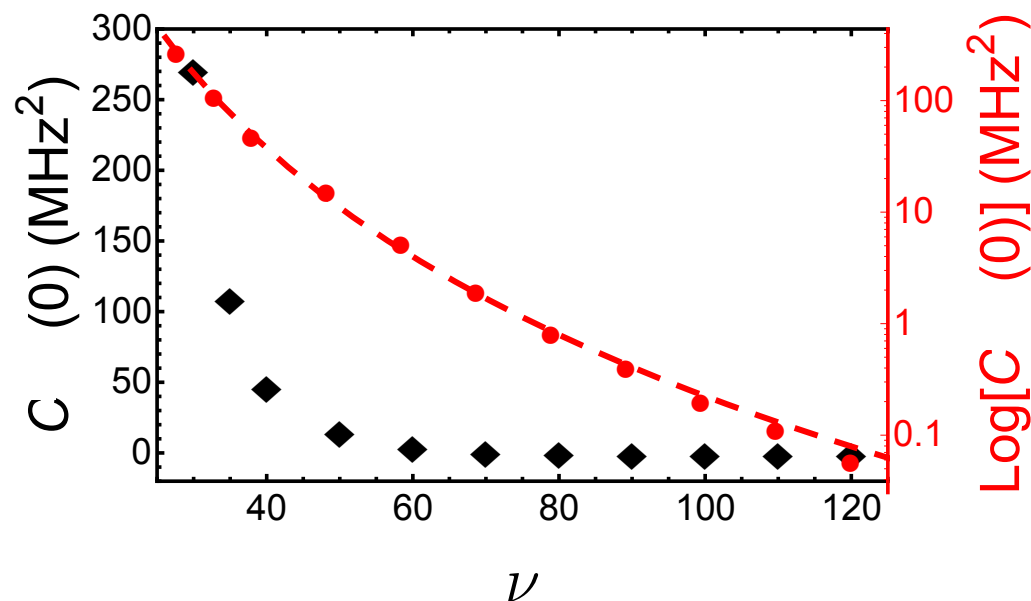


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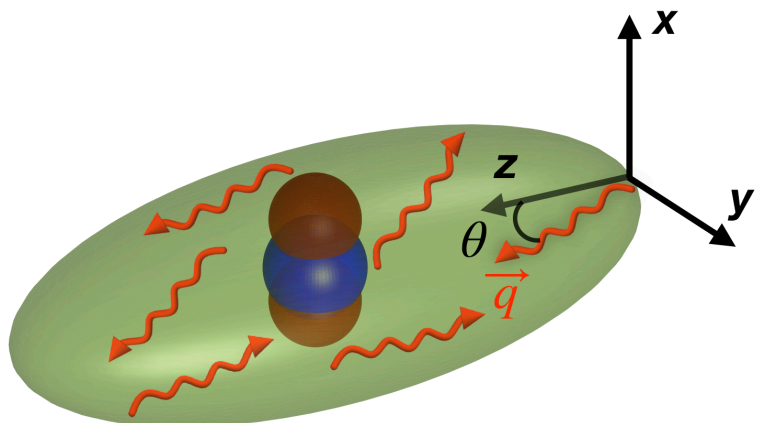
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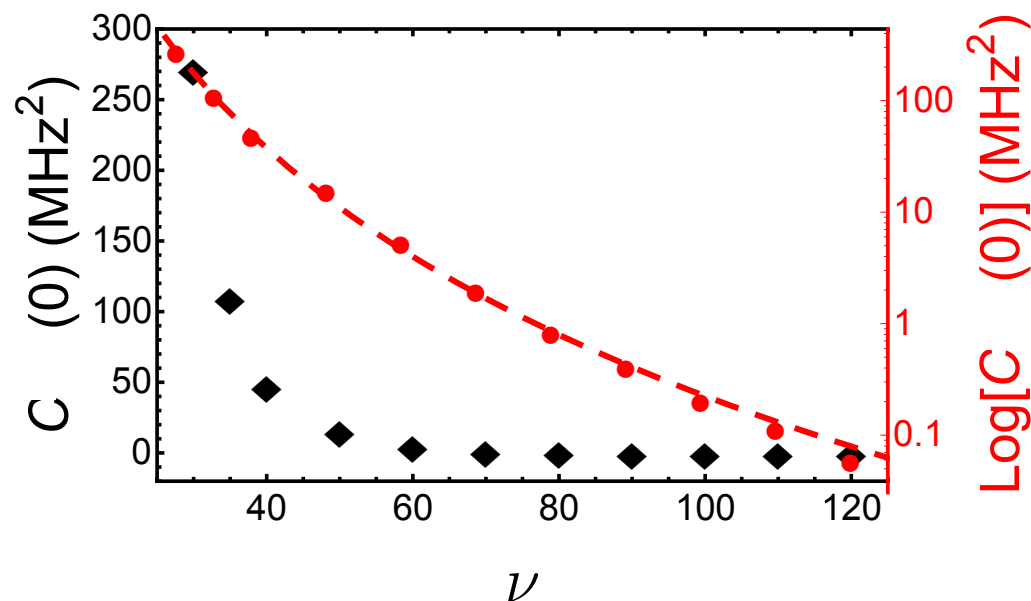
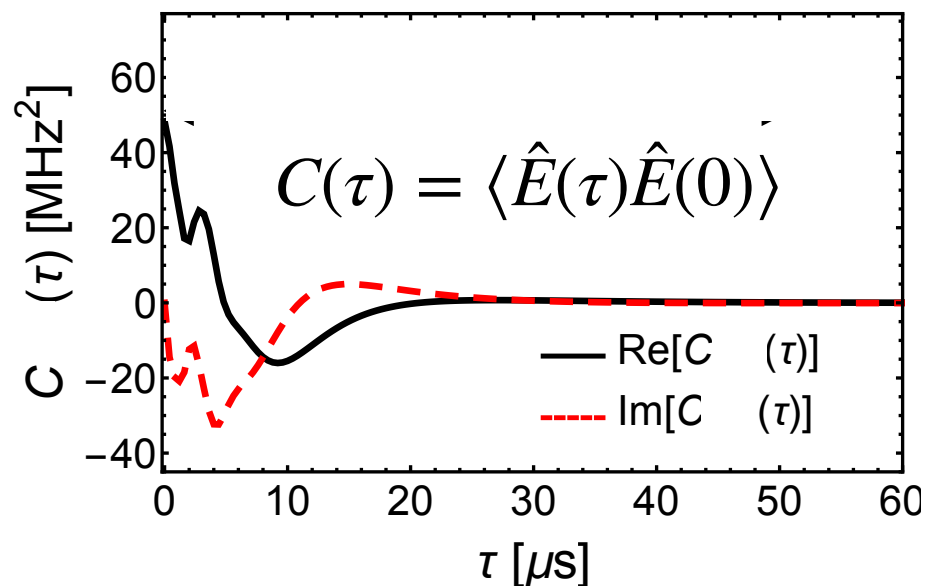


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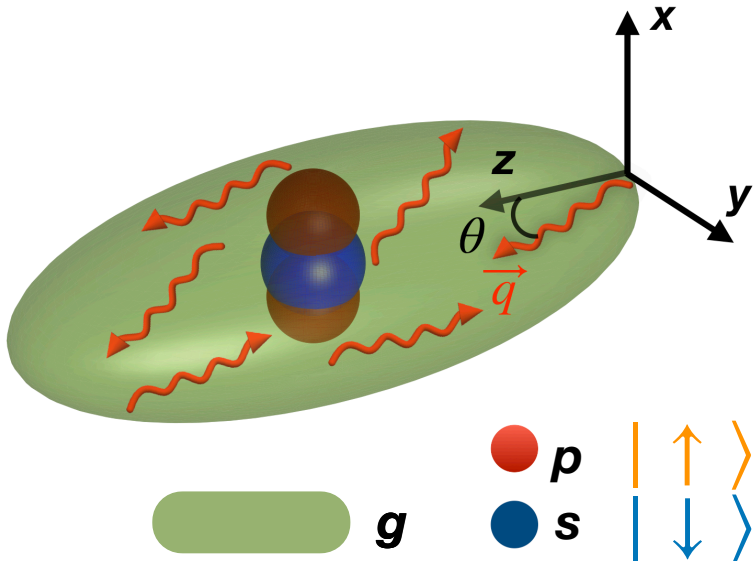
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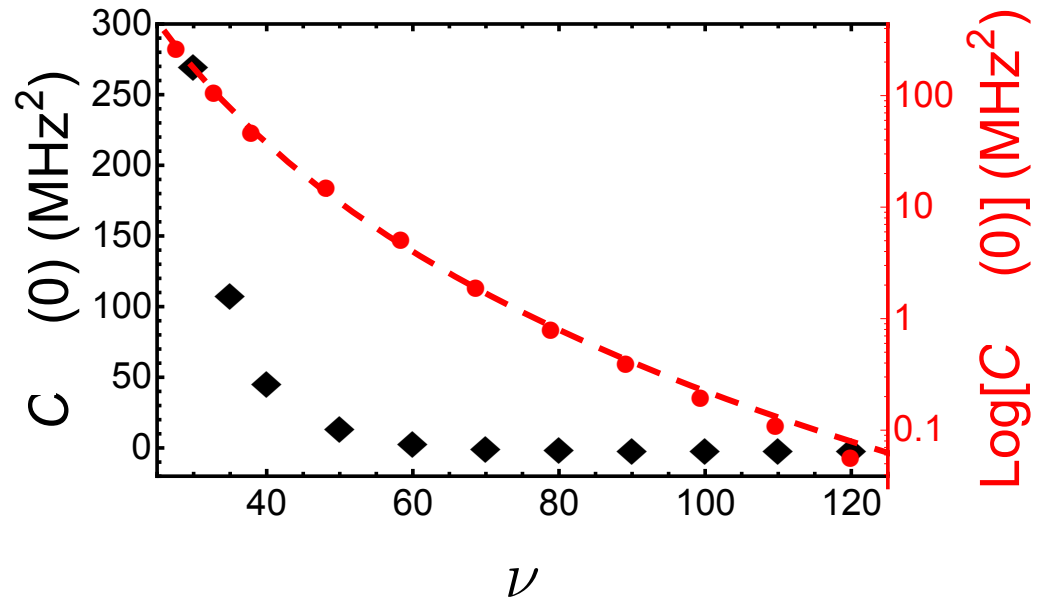
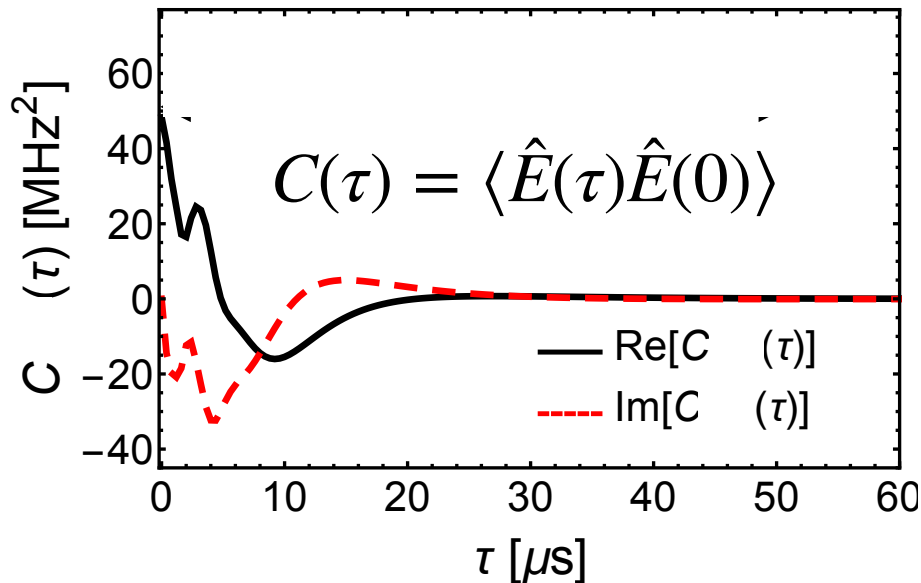
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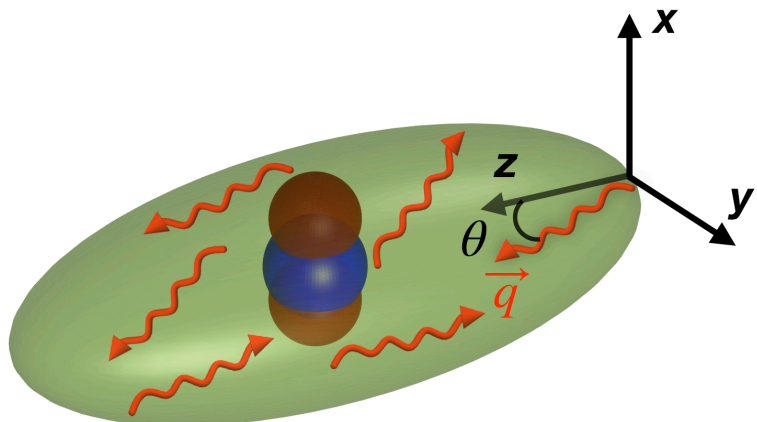
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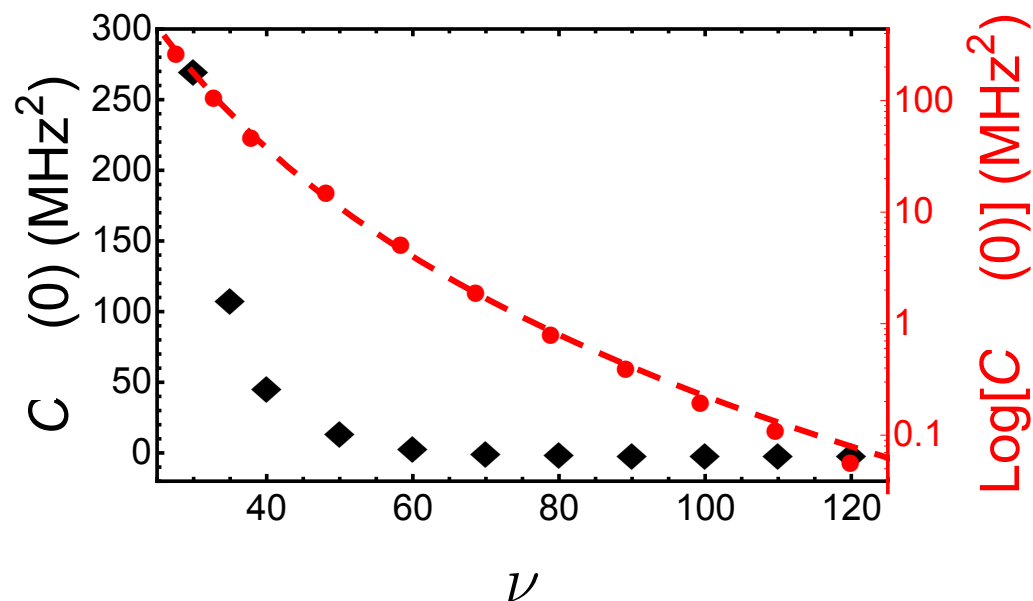
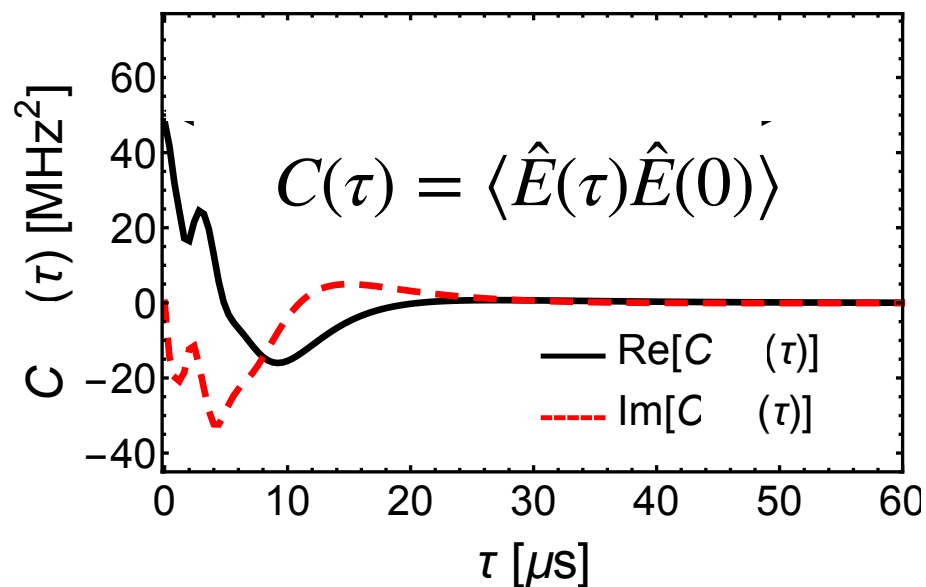
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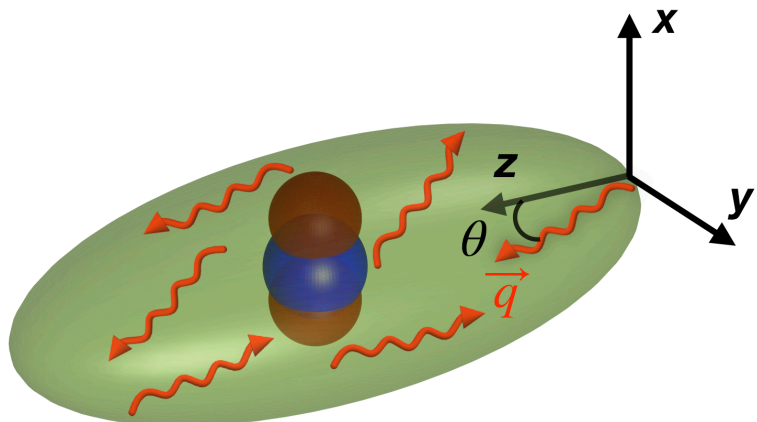


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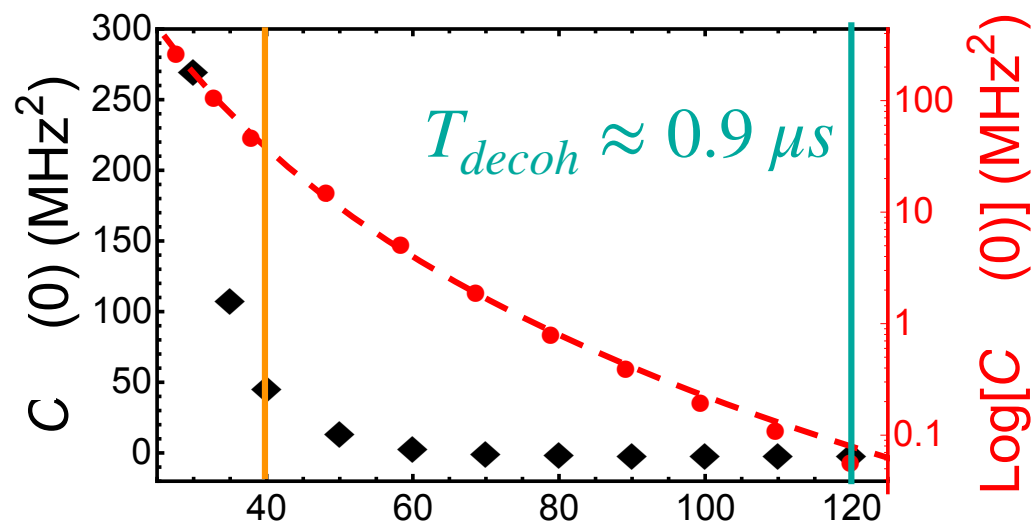
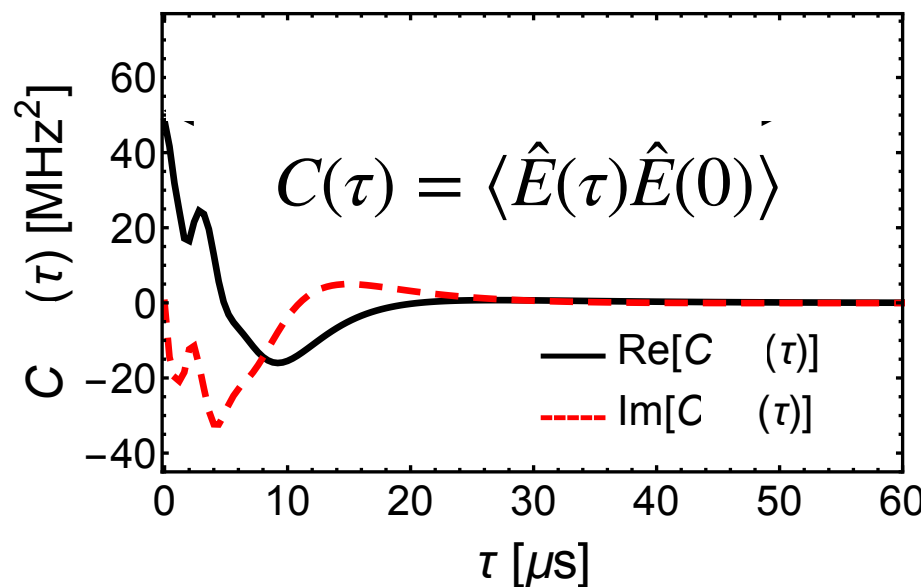
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Full Spin-Boson Model

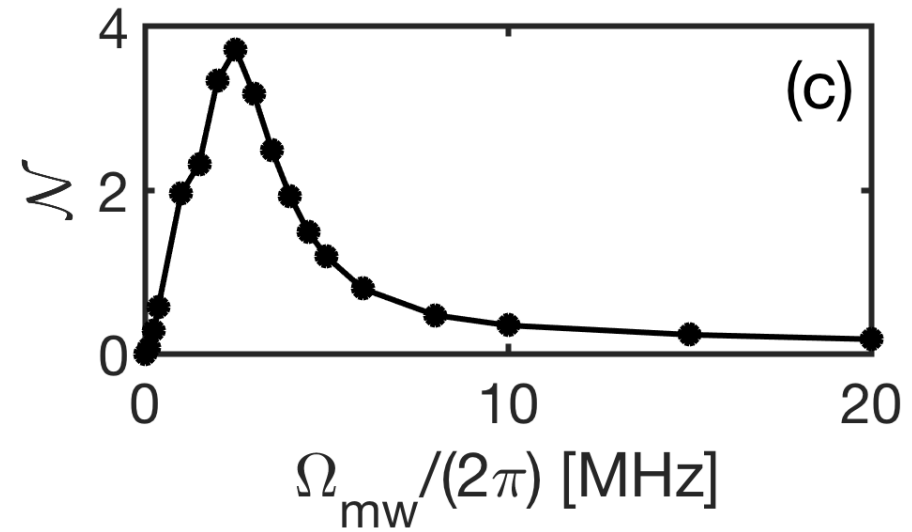
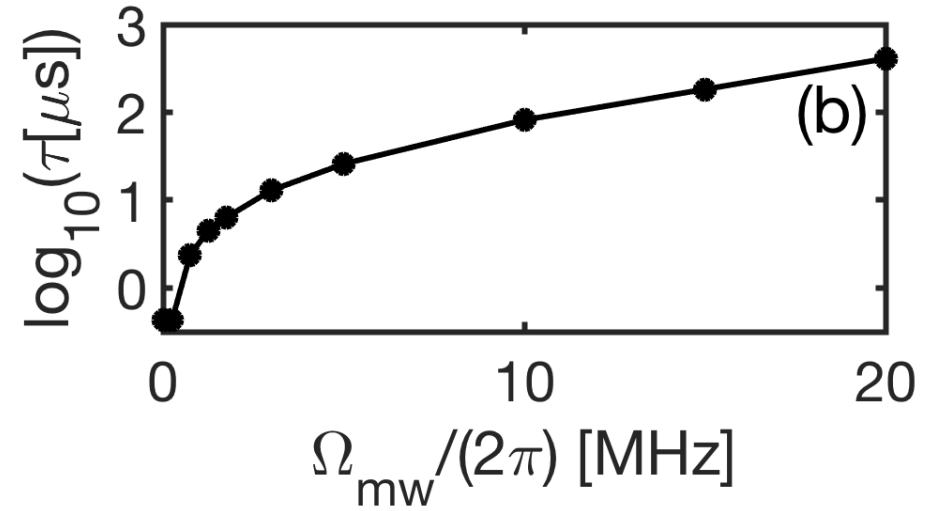
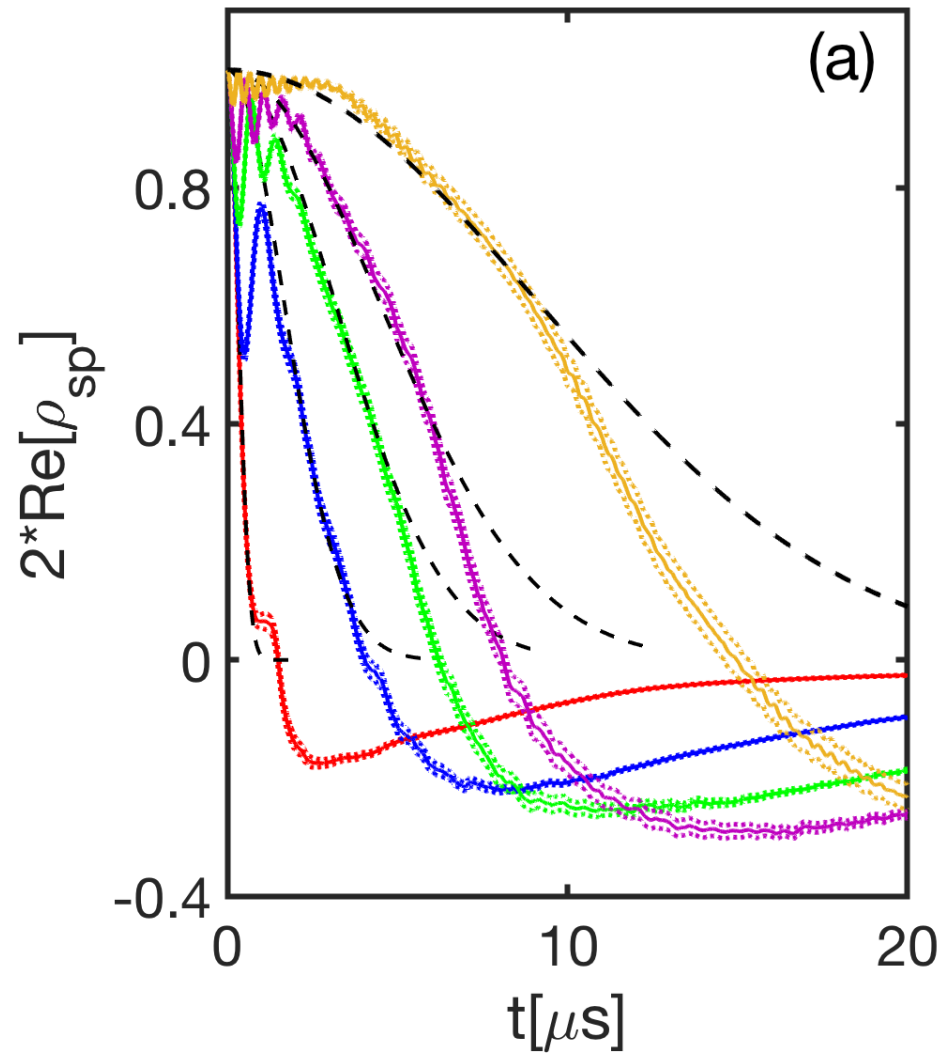


$$\epsilon_q = \hbar\omega_q = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar^2 q^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\hbar^2 q^2}{2m} + 2U_0\rho \right)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H}_{\text{tot}} = & \hat{H}'_{\text{syst}} + \sum_{\mathbf{q}} \hbar\omega_q \tilde{b}_{\mathbf{q}}^{\dagger} \tilde{b}_{\mathbf{q}} + \sum_{\mathbf{q}} \frac{\Delta\kappa_{\mathbf{q}}}{2} \left(\tilde{b}_{\mathbf{q}} + \tilde{b}_{\mathbf{q}}^{\dagger} \right) \hat{\sigma}_z \\ & + i \sum_{\mathbf{q}} \kappa_{\mathbf{q}}^{(sp)} \left(\tilde{b}_{\mathbf{q}} - \tilde{b}_{\mathbf{q}}^{\dagger} \right) \hat{\sigma}_y + \text{const}, \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

$$\hat{H}'_{\text{syst}} = \left[\frac{\Delta E}{2} + \sum_{\mathbf{q}} \frac{\Delta\kappa_{\mathbf{q}} \bar{\kappa}_{\mathbf{q}}}{2\hbar\omega_q} \left(\cos(\omega_q t) - 1 \right) \right] \hat{\sigma}_z$$

Non-Markovian Rydberg qubit dynamics



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} f^{(\mathbf{k})}(t) = & \left(-i\hat{H}_{\text{syst}} - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{w} + \hat{L}\tilde{z}_t \right) f^{(\mathbf{k})}(t) \\ & + \sum_j k_j g_j f^{(\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{e}_j)}(t) - \sum_j (\hat{L}^\dagger - \langle \hat{L}^\dagger \rangle) f^{(\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{e}_j)}(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\overline{z_t z_s^*} = C(t - s)$$

$$\tilde{z}_t = z_t^* + \int_0^t ds \, C^*(t - s) \langle \hat{L}^\dagger \rangle$$