Realizing Richard Feynman's Dream of a Quantum Simulator

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Overview

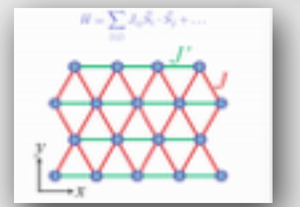
- Motivation
  - Matter as a Wave
  - The Path to Ultracold Quantum Matter
  - Optical Crystal Formed by Laser Light
  - Applications
- Outlook

The Challenge of Many-Body Quantum Systems

- **Understand and Design Quantum Materials -**
  one of the biggest challenge of Quantum Physics in the 21st Century

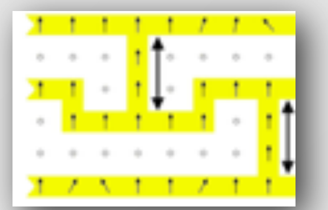
- **Technological Relevance**

  High-Tc Superconductivity (Power Delivery)



  Magnetism (Storage, Spintronics...)

  Novel Quantum Sensors (Precision Detectors)



  Quantum Technologies
  (Quantum Computing, Metrology, Quantum Sensors,...)

Many cases: lack of basic understanding of underlying processes

Difficulty to separate effects: probe impurities, complex interplay, masking of effects...

Many cases: even simple models "not solvable"

Need to synthesize new material to analyze effect of parameter change

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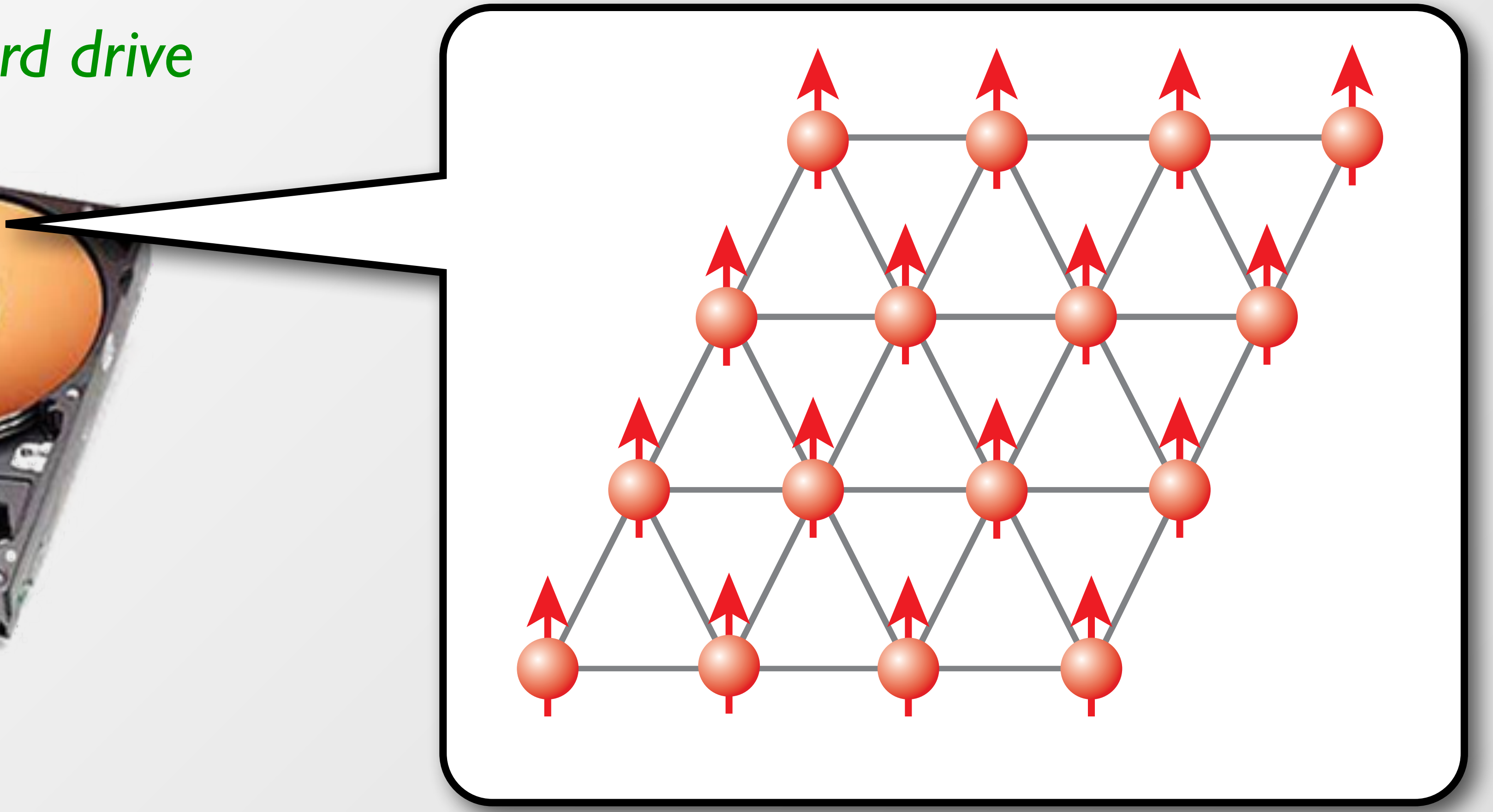
the 'ultimate' hard drive



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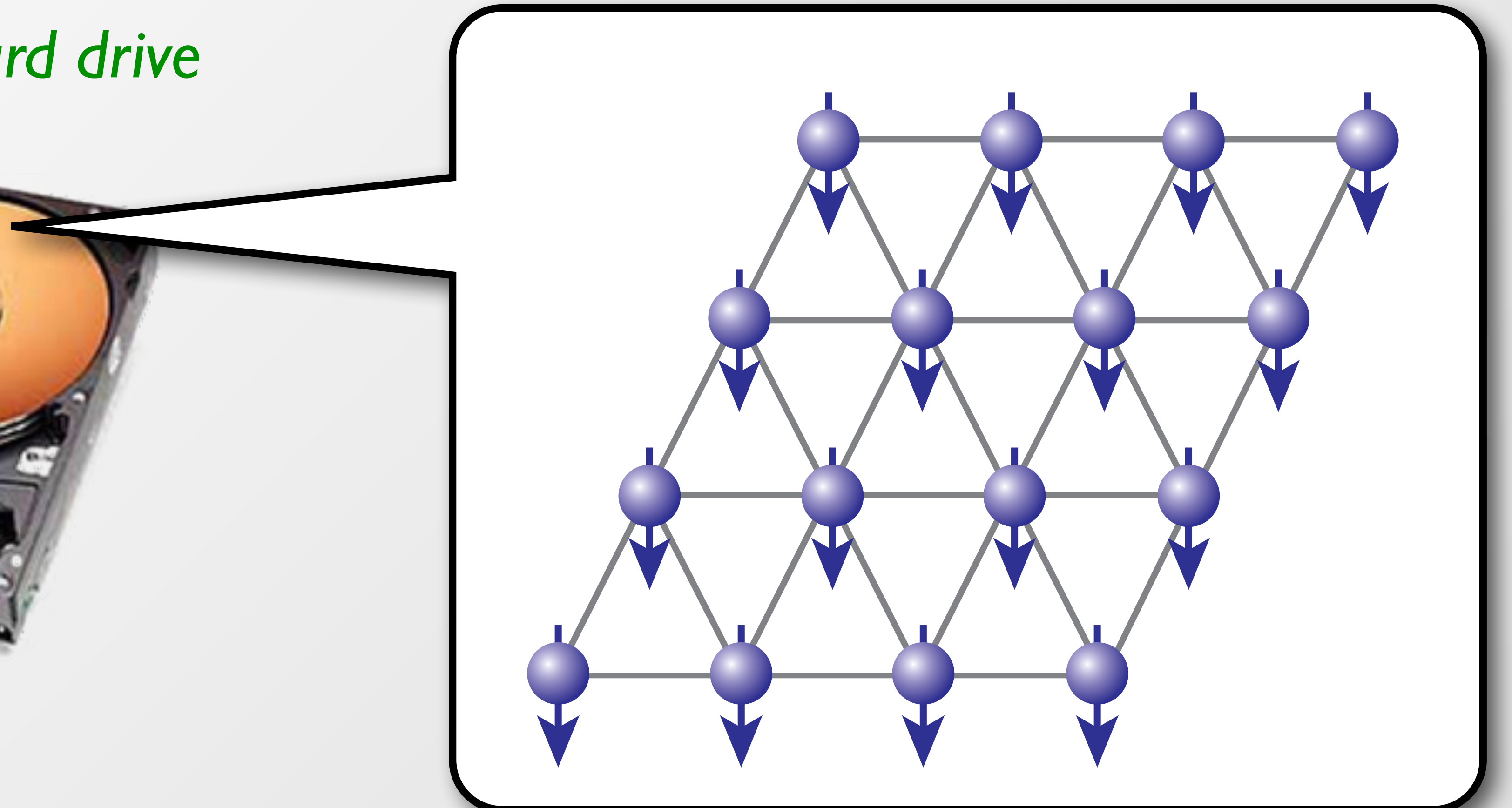

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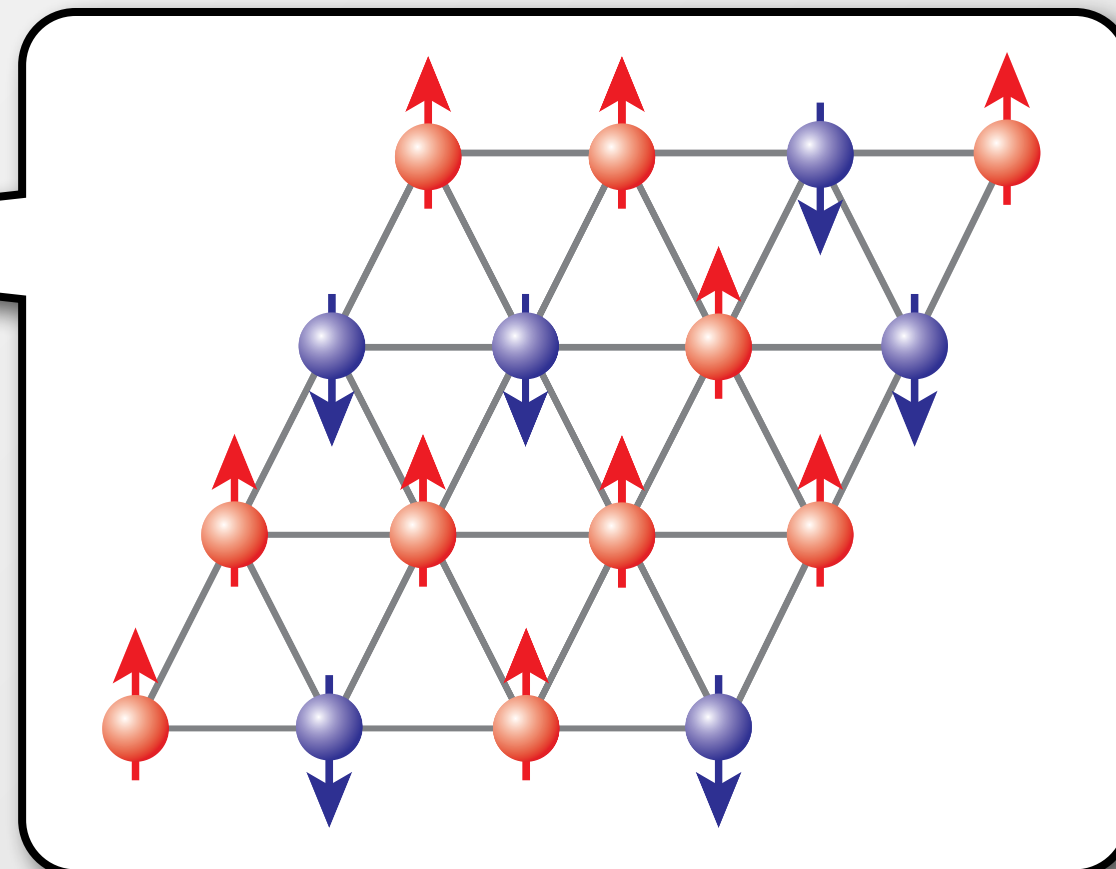

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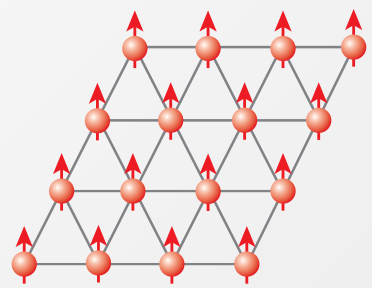
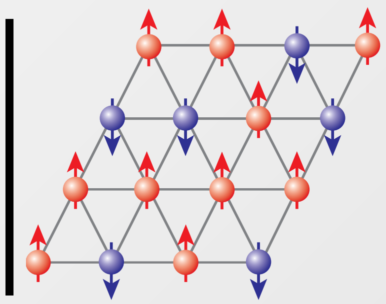
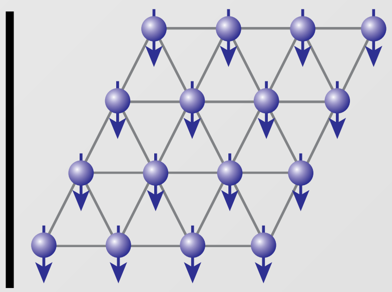
$|\Psi\rangle = c_1|$  $\rangle + c_2|$  $\rangle + \cdots + c_{2^N}|$  $\rangle$

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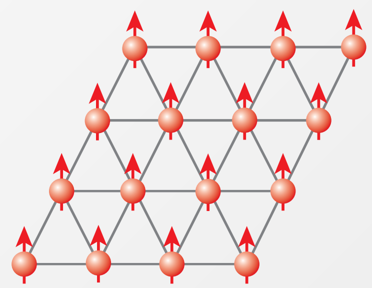
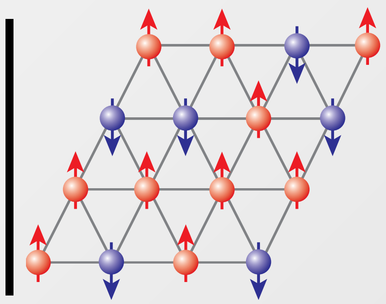
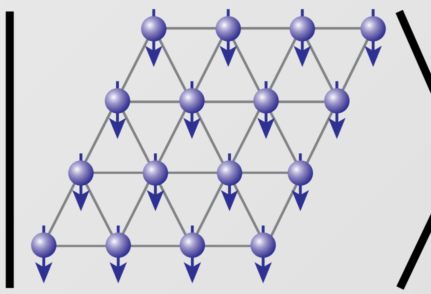
$|\Psi\rangle = c_1 |$  $\rangle + c_2 |$  $\rangle + \cdots + c_{2^N} |$  $\rangle$

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Roadrunner – Los Alamos

1.1 Petaflops/s
2000 t
3.9 MW

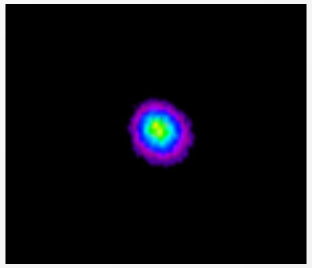
State of the art: < 40 spins (2^{40}x 2^{40}) (what does it take to simulate 300 spins ?)

each doubling allows for one more spin 1/2 only

2^{300} estimated number of protons in the universe

The Challenge of Many-Body Quantum Systems

Control of single and few particles



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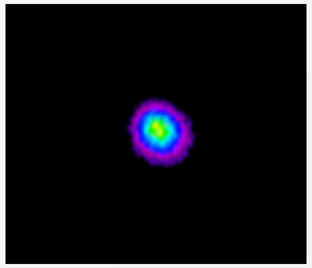

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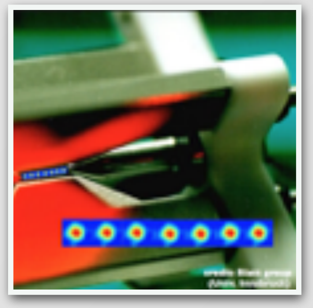

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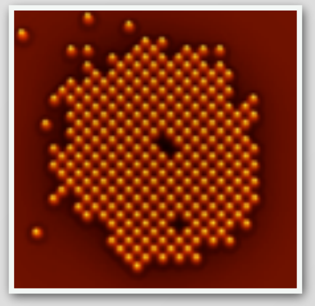

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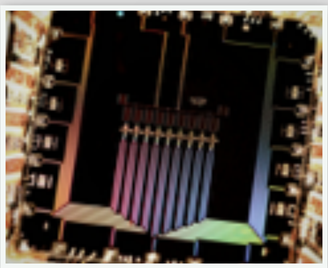
Bound by Light



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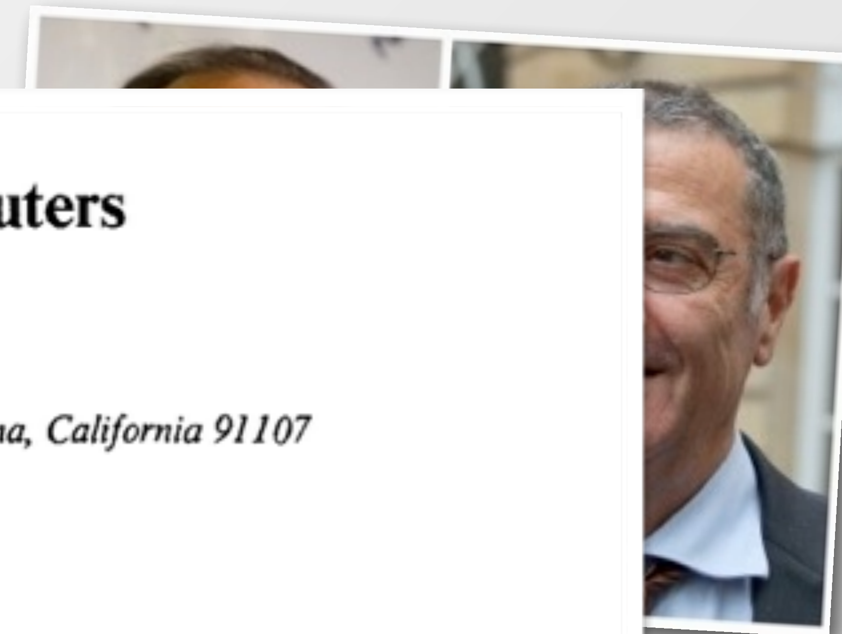

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Simulating Physics with Computers

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Received May 7, 1981

1. INTRODUCTION

On the program it says this is a keynote speech—and I don't know what a keynote speech is. I do not intend in any way to suggest what should be in this meeting as a keynote of the subjects or anything like that. I have my own things to say and to talk about and there's no implication that anybody needs to talk about the same thing or anything like it. So what I want to talk about is what Mike Dertouzos suggested that nobody would talk about. I want to talk about the problem of simulating physics with computers and I mean that in a specific way which I am going to explain. The reason for doing this is something that I learned about from Ed Fredkin, and my entire interest in the subject has been inspired by him. It has to do with learning something about the possibilities of computers, and also something about possibilities in physics. If we suppose that we know all the physical laws perfectly, of course we don't have to pay any attention to computers. It's interesting anyway to entertain oneself with the idea that we've got something to learn about physical laws; and if I take a relaxed

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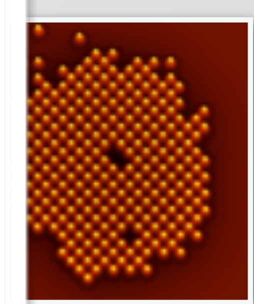

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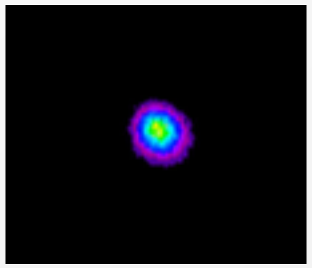

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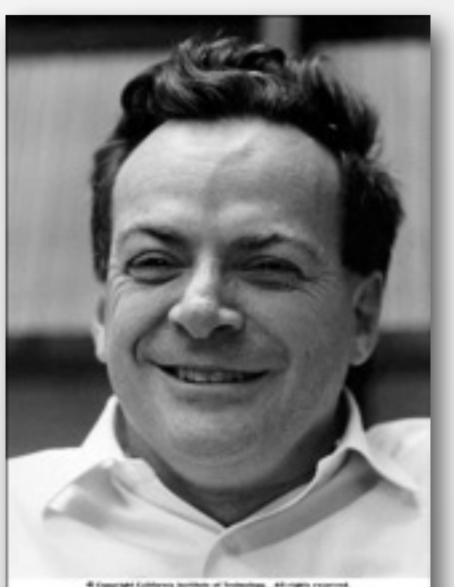

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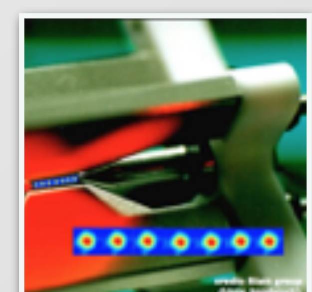

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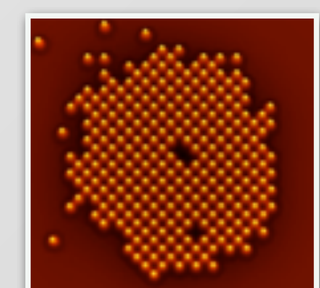

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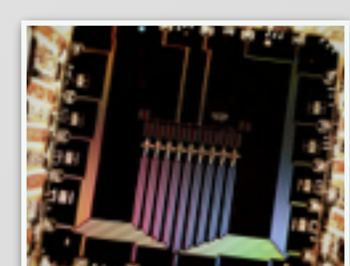

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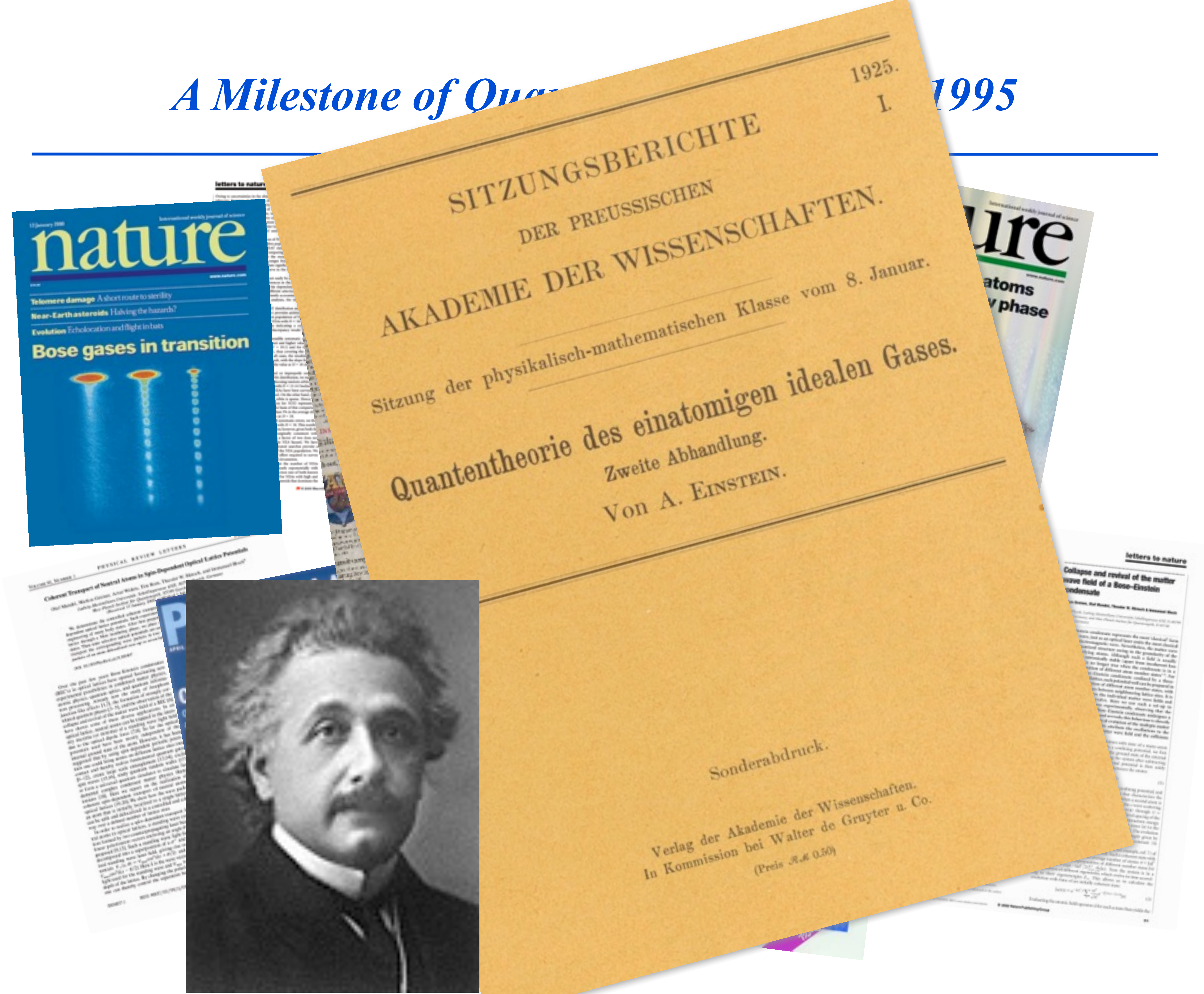
Ultracold Quantum Gases

A Milestone of Qua… 1995



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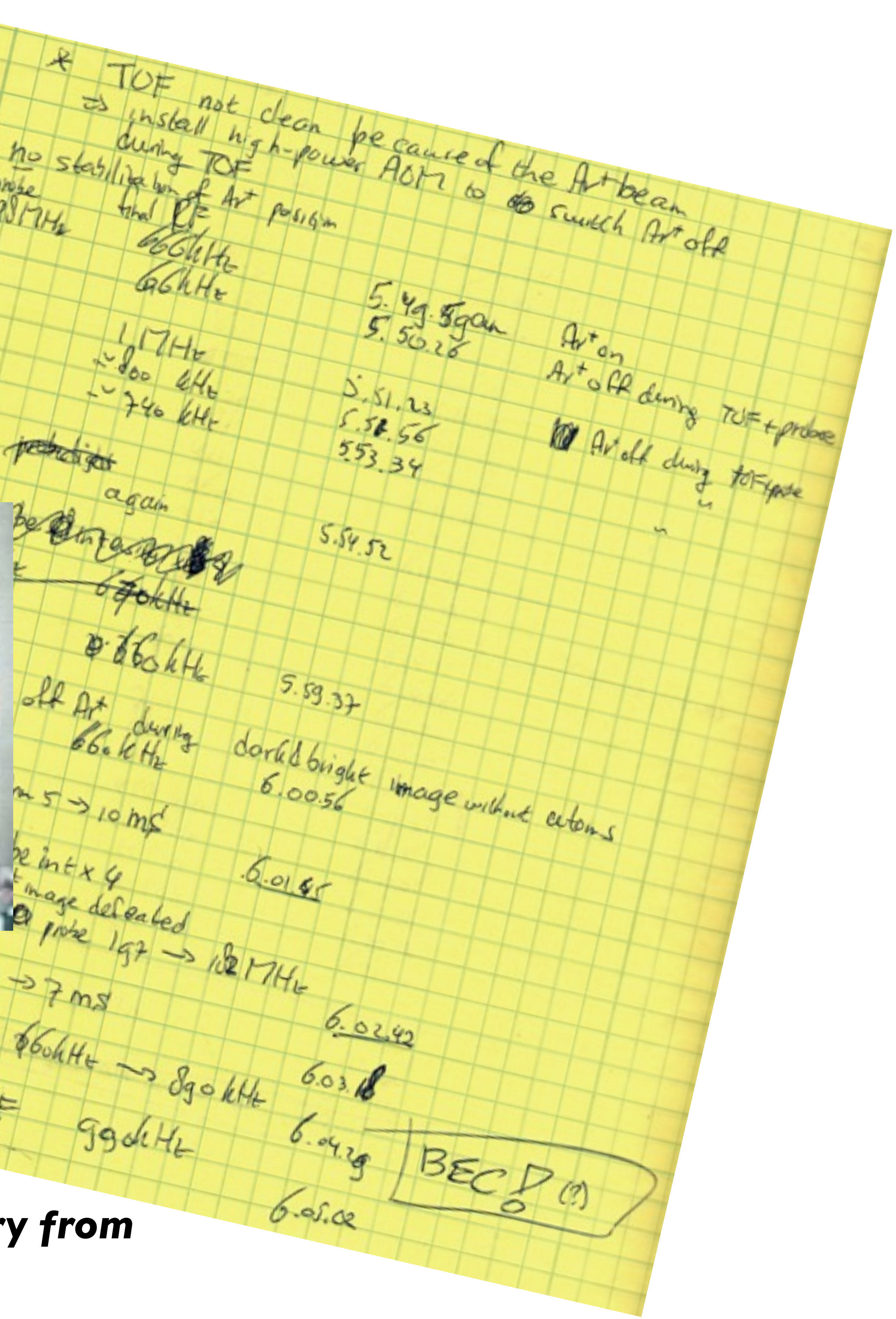

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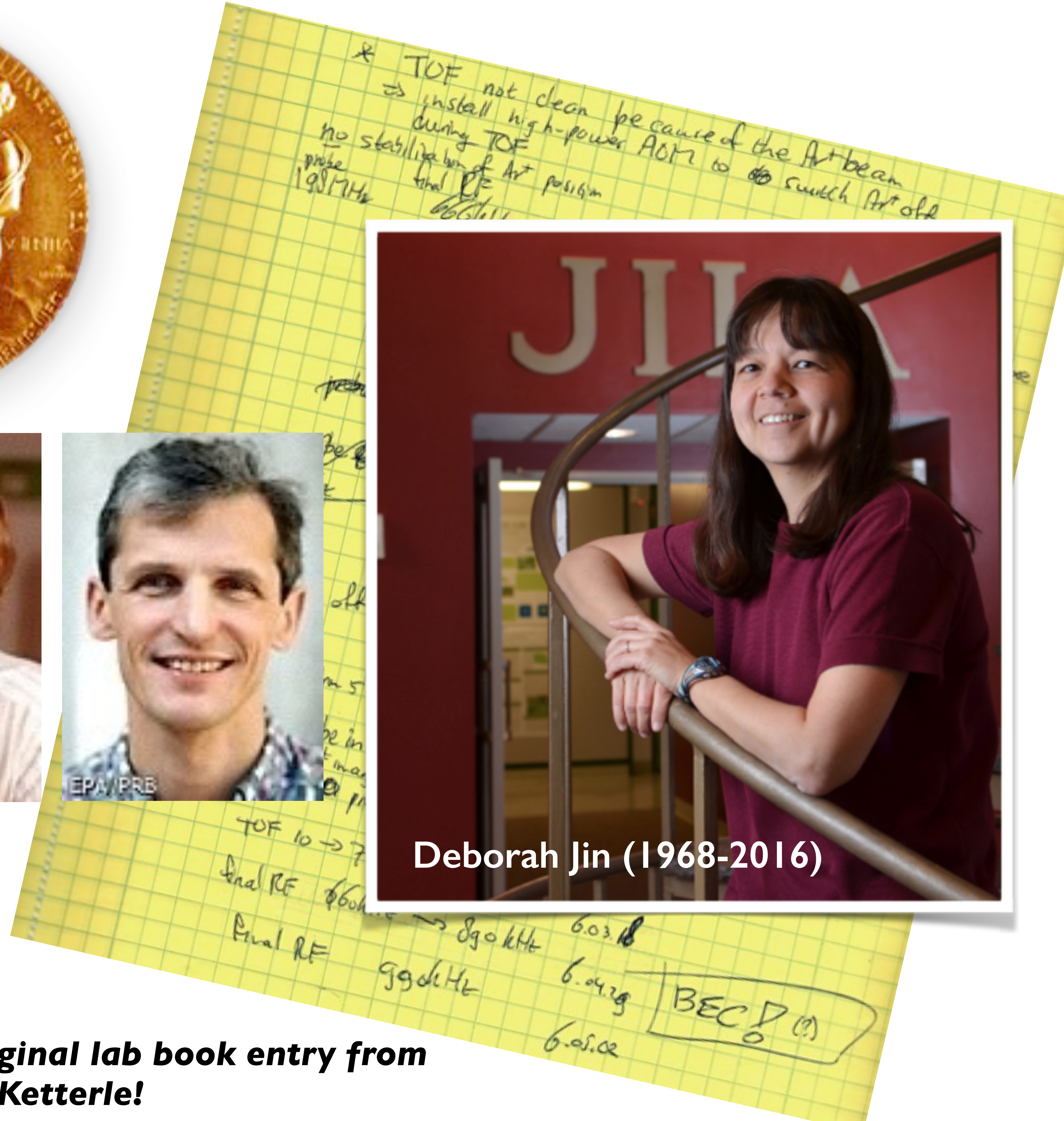

Deborah Jin (1968-2016)

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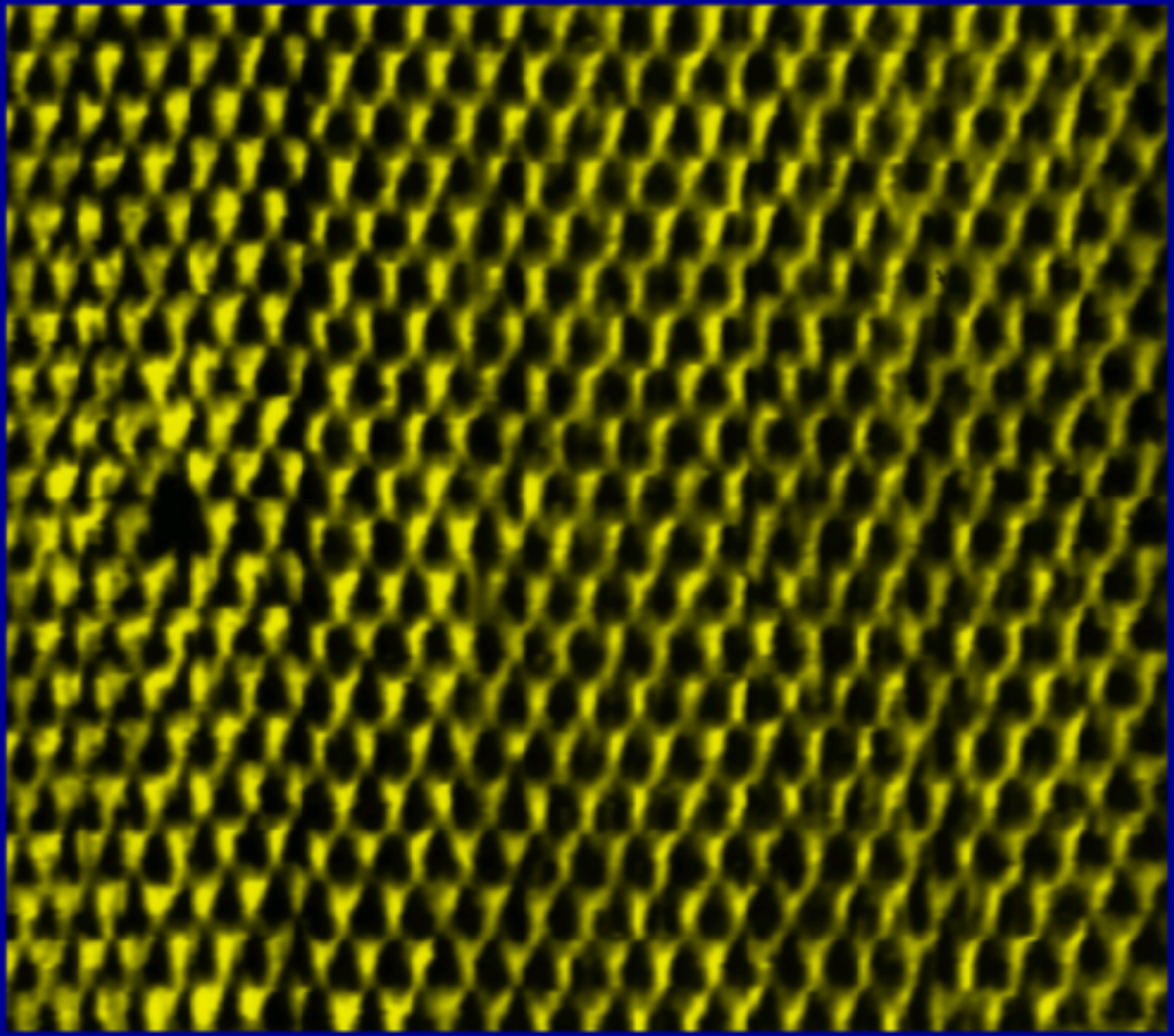


What is Matter ?

MoS2.ps

Matter is a Wave

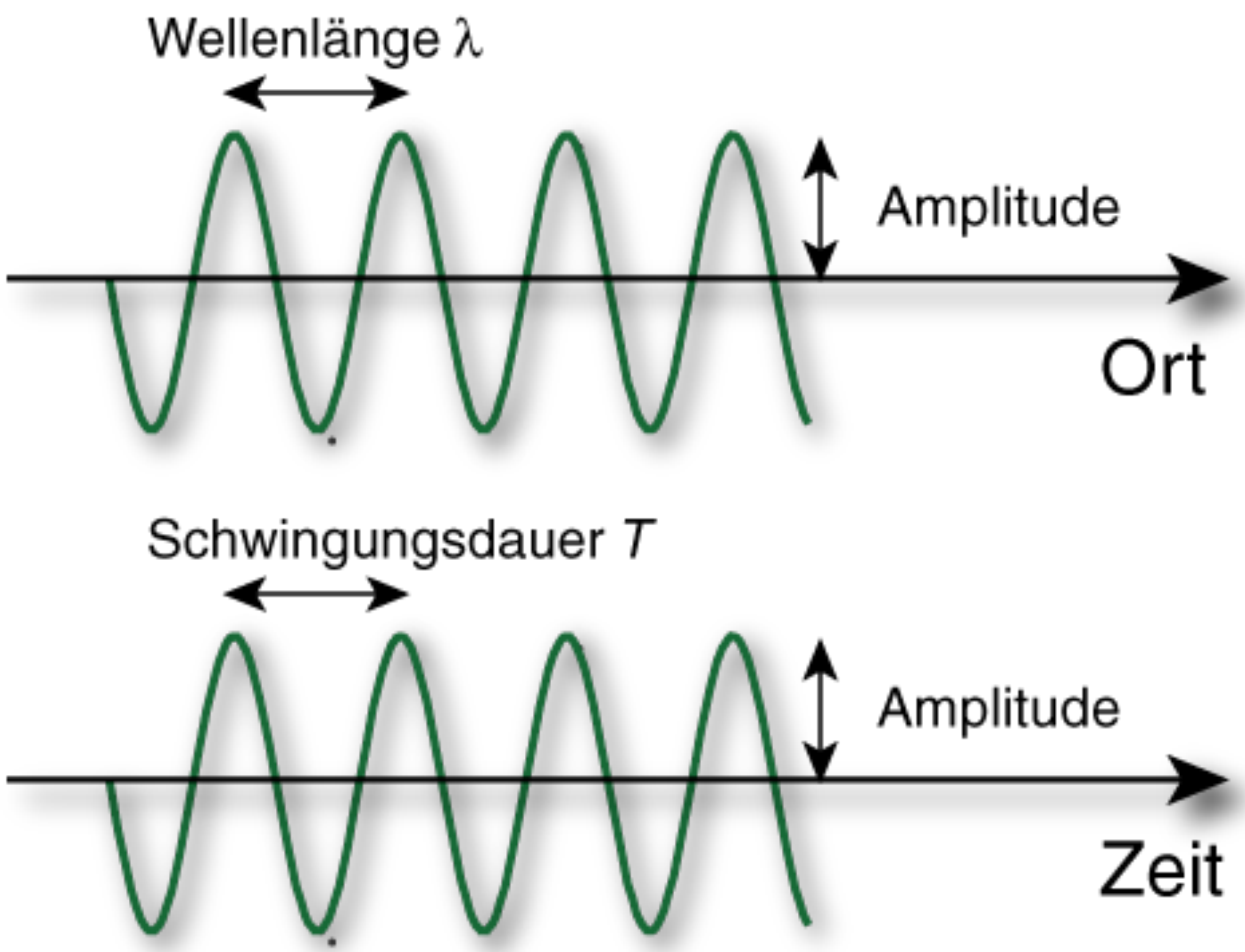
Louis-Victor de Broglie
(1892-1987)

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p} = \frac{h}{mv}$$

Erwin Schrödinger
(1887-1961)

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = H\Psi$$

What characterizes a wave ?



Wave is a periodic oscillation in space and time !

Frequency (Oscillations per s) $\nu = 1/T$

Propagation velocity: $c = \lambda \cdot \nu$

1+1=2? or not ?

Matter

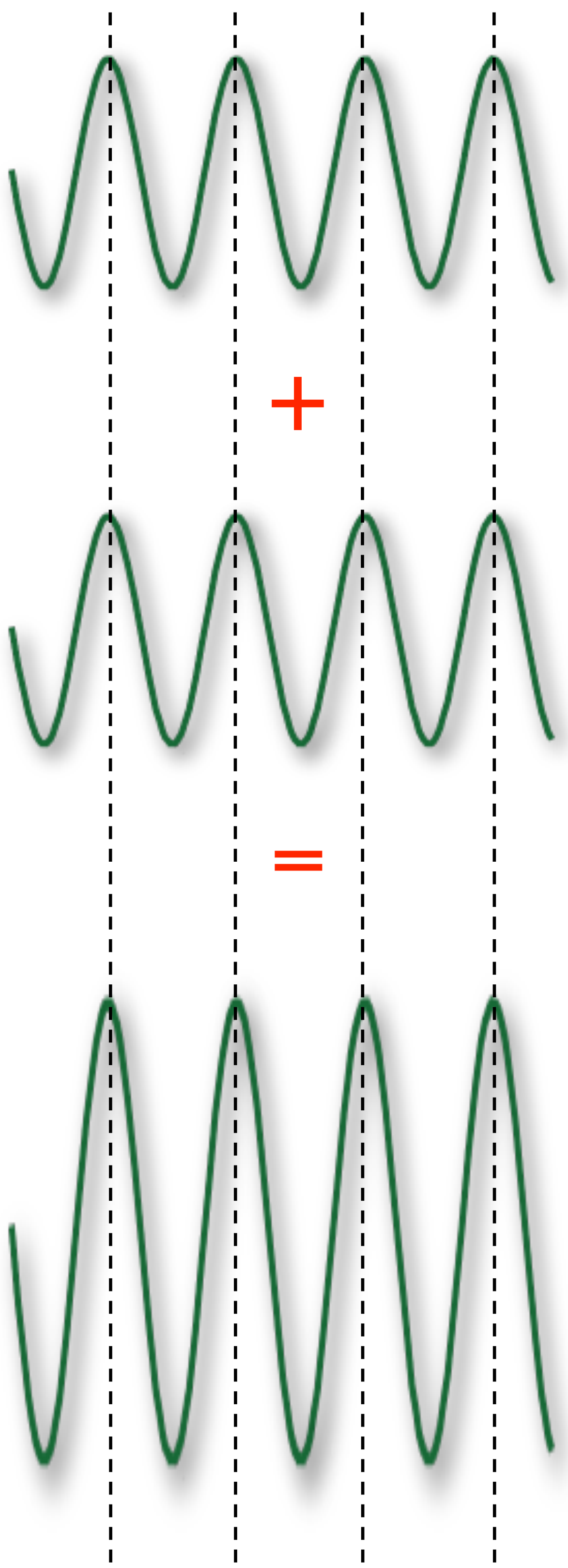
+

Matter

=

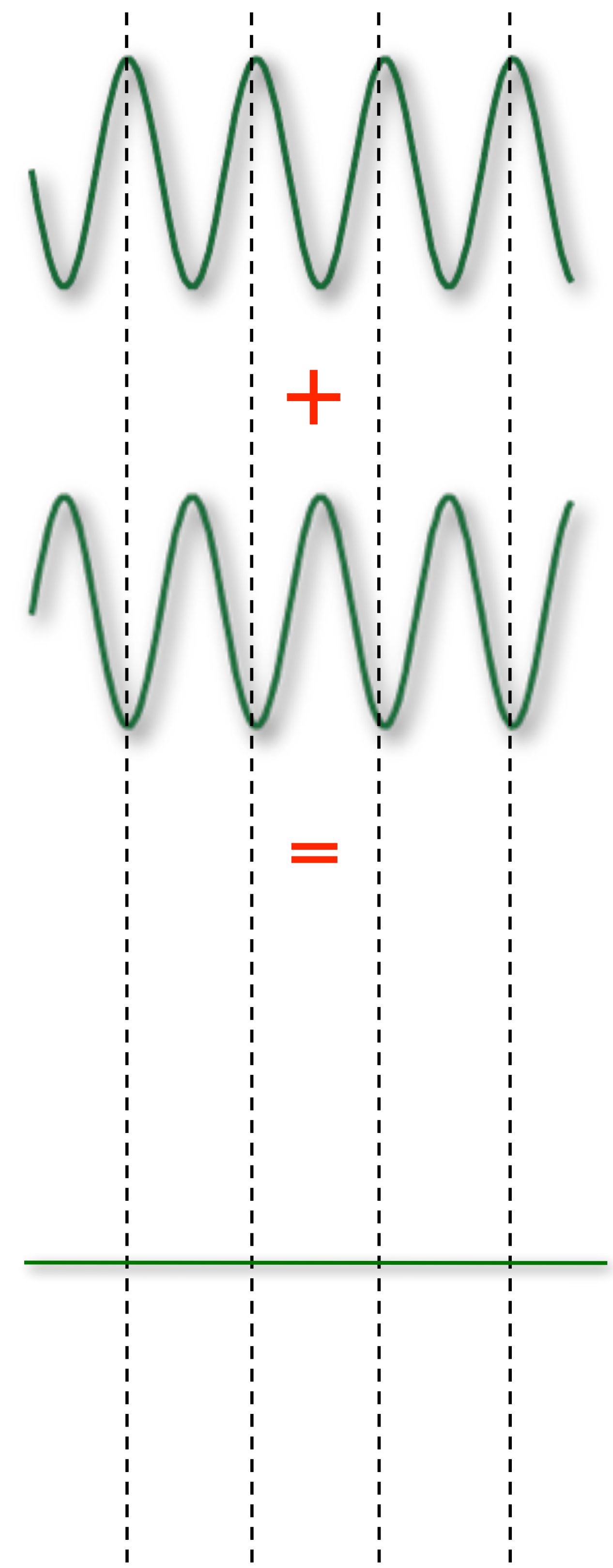
Twice as much matter

Superposition Principle for Waves



Waves can enhance each other!

contructive interference when two waves are added in phase



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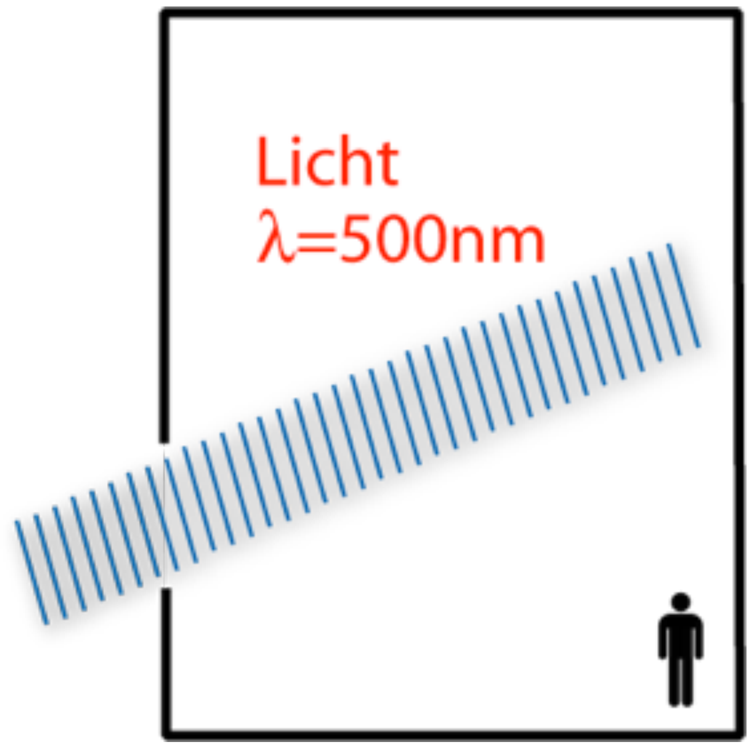
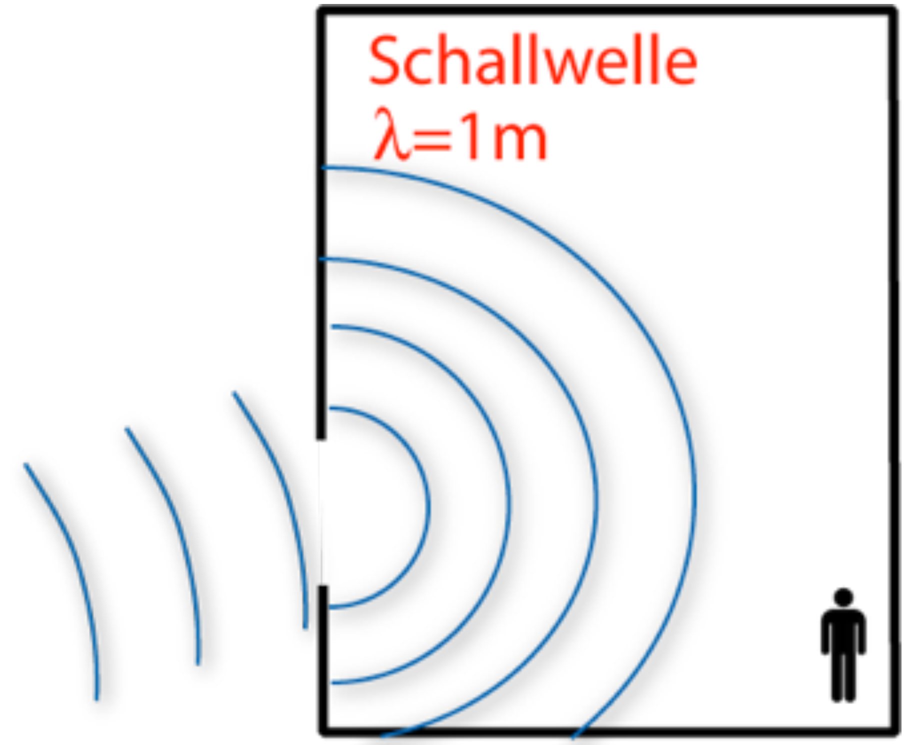
Go To Interference Program...

When can we perceive this wave character?



$\lambda \ll$ Size of Object

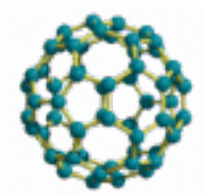
Propagation along straight lines



$\lambda \approx$ Size of Object

Waves are diffracted!

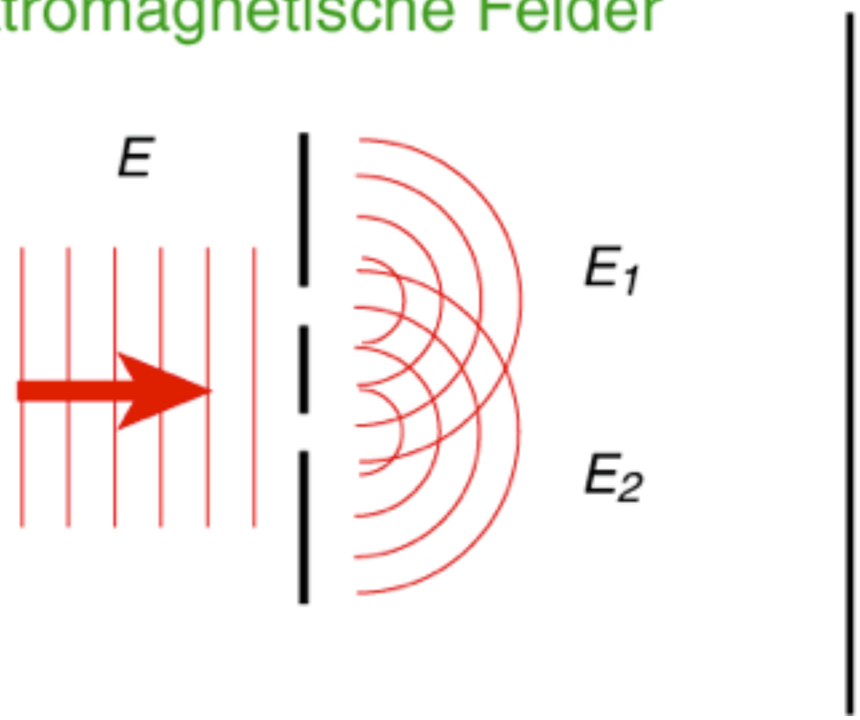
deBroglie Wavelength of Different Objects



Objekt	m (kg)	v (m/s)	λ (mm)
Elektron	$9{,}1 \cdot 10^{-31}$	$2 \cdot 10^{6}$	$4 \cdot 10^{-7}$ (0,0000004)
Neutron	$1{,}7 \cdot 10^{-27}$	$4 \cdot 10^{3}$	$9 \cdot 10^{-8}$ (0,00000009)
^{87}Rb Atom	$1{,}5 \cdot 10^{-25}$	270	$2 \cdot 10^{-8}$ (0,00000002)
C_{60}	$1{,}2 \cdot 10^{-24}$	210	$3 \cdot 10^{-9}$ (0,000000003)
Fussball	0,5	20	$7 \cdot 10^{-32}$ (0,00000000000000000000000000000007)

What is interfering in the case of matter waves?

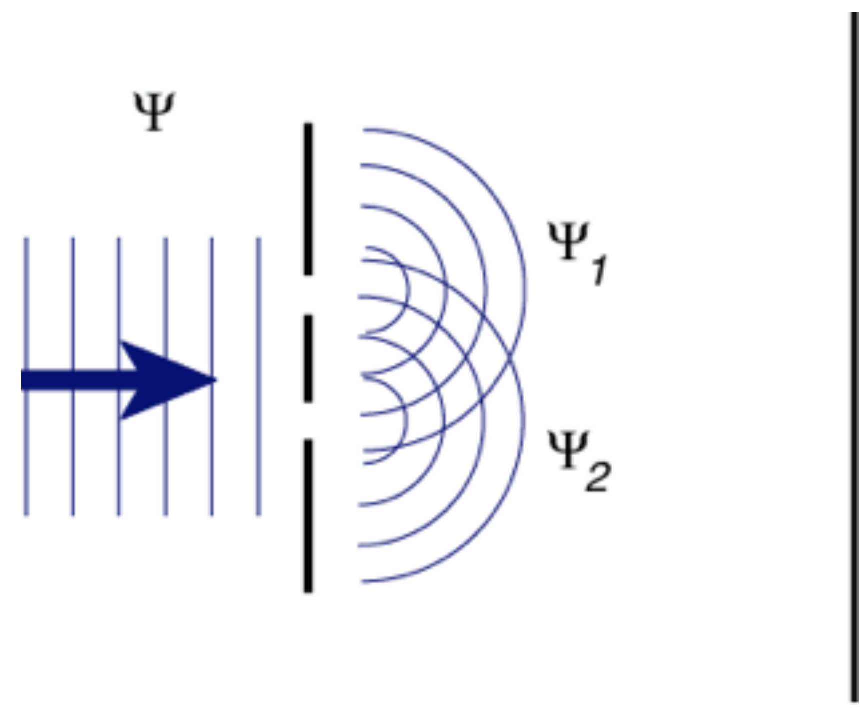
Elektromagnetische Felder



$$E_{det} = E_1 + E_2$$

$$I \propto |E_1 + E_2|^2$$

Quantenmechanische Wellenfunktionen



$$\Psi_{det} = \Psi_1 + \Psi_2$$

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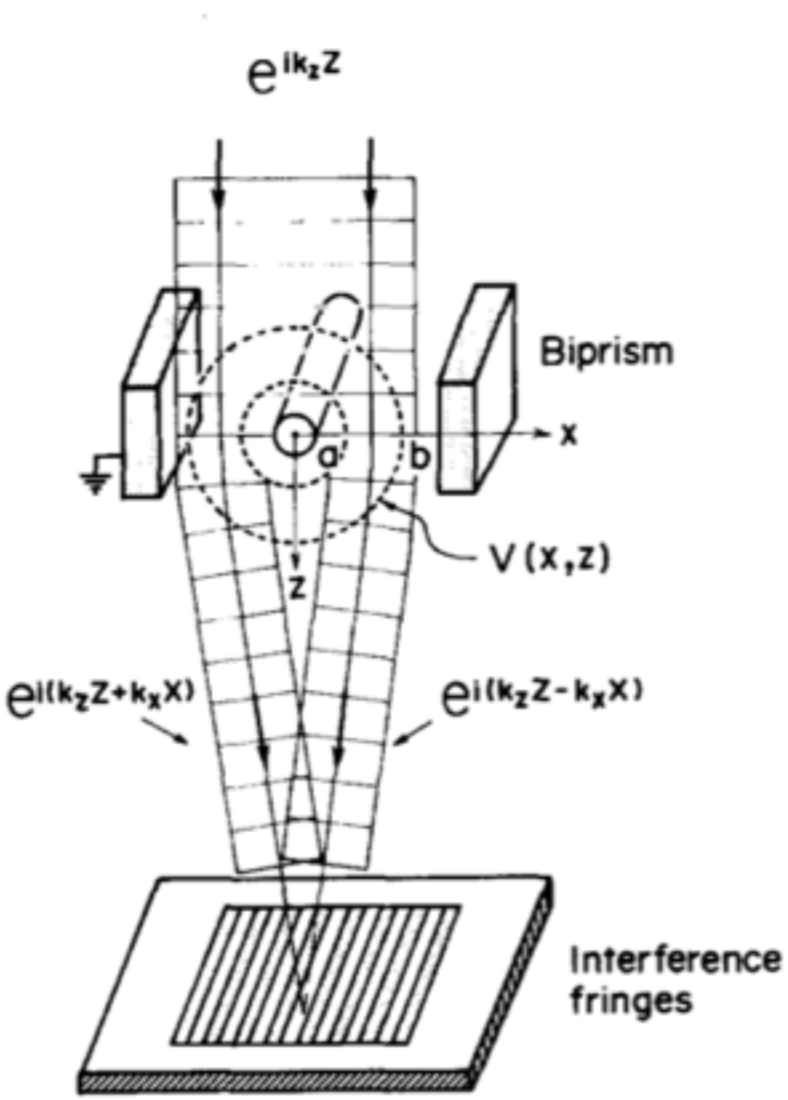
Single Electron on Double Slit



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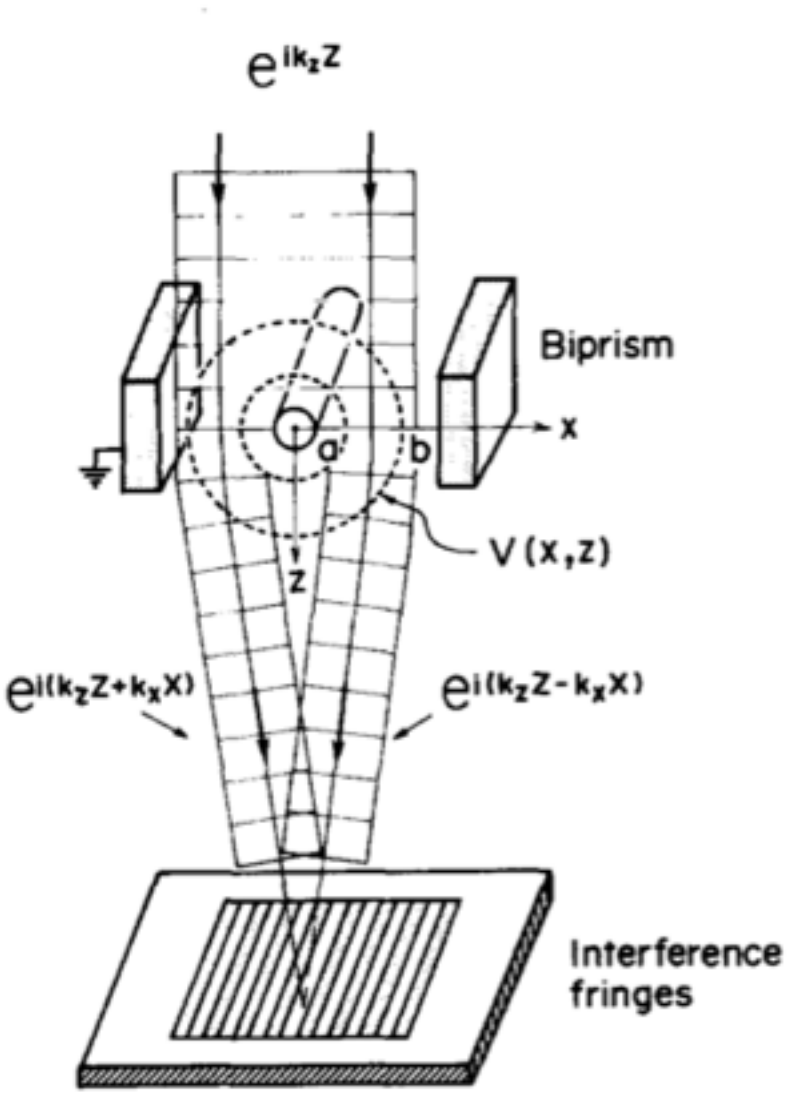

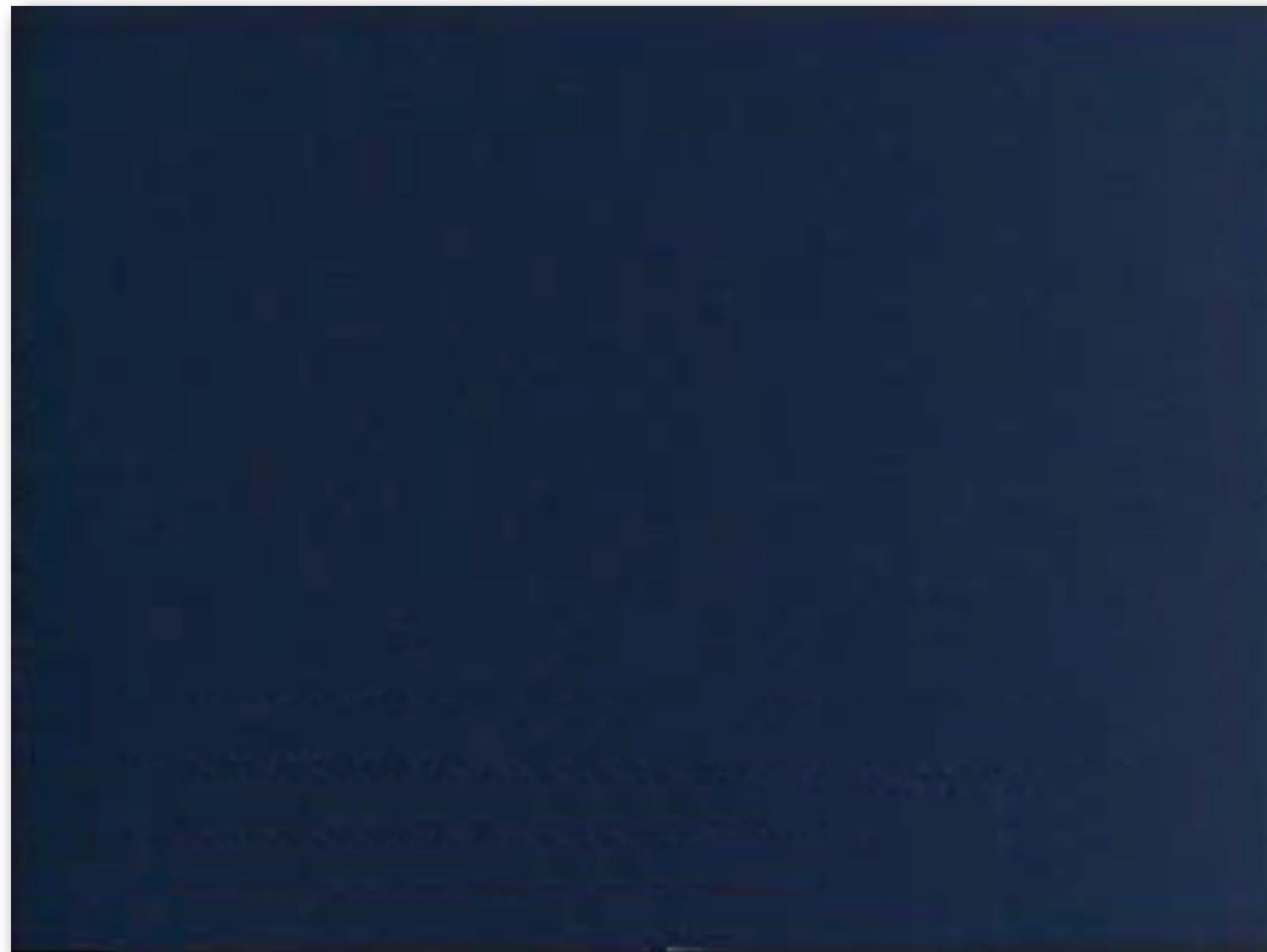

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Interference Phenomena with Matter Waves (2)

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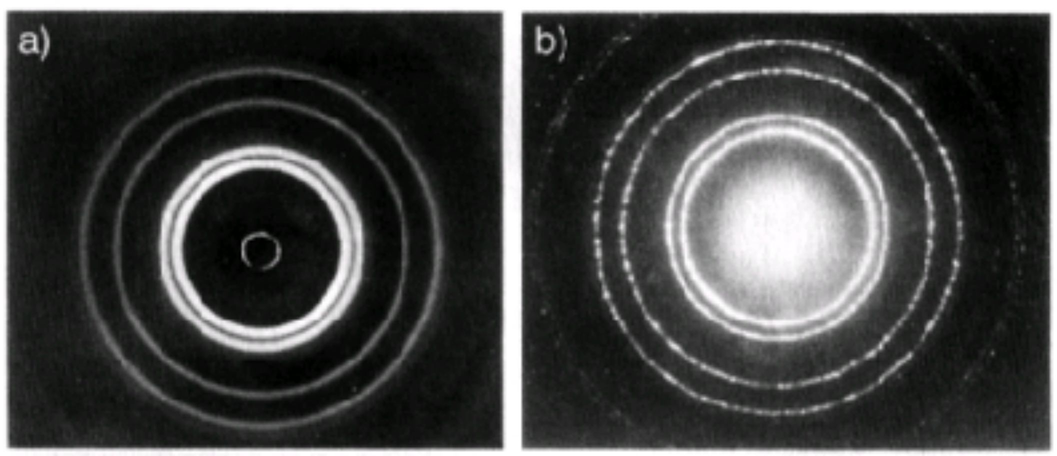

Abb. 3.18a,b. Vergleich (**a**) der Elektronenbeugung und (**b**) der Röntgenbeugung an einer dünnen Folie

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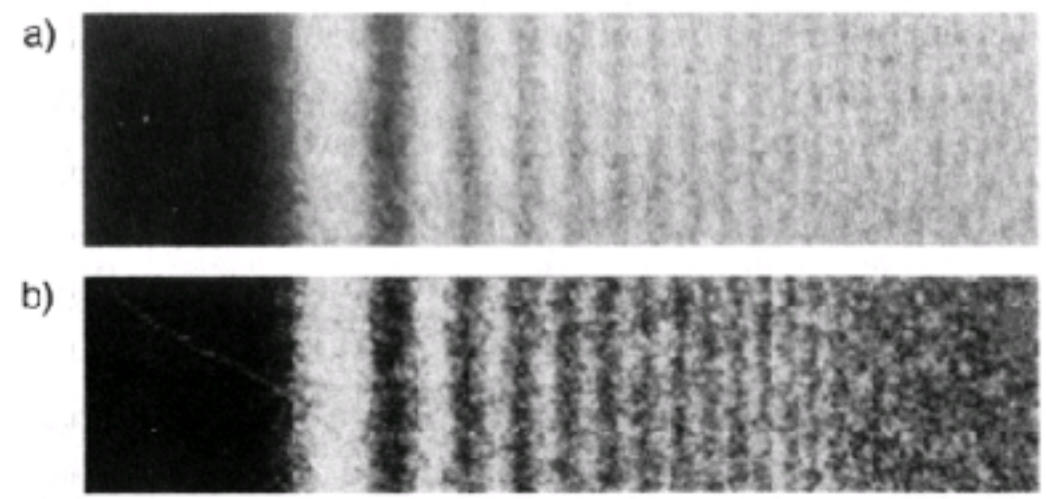
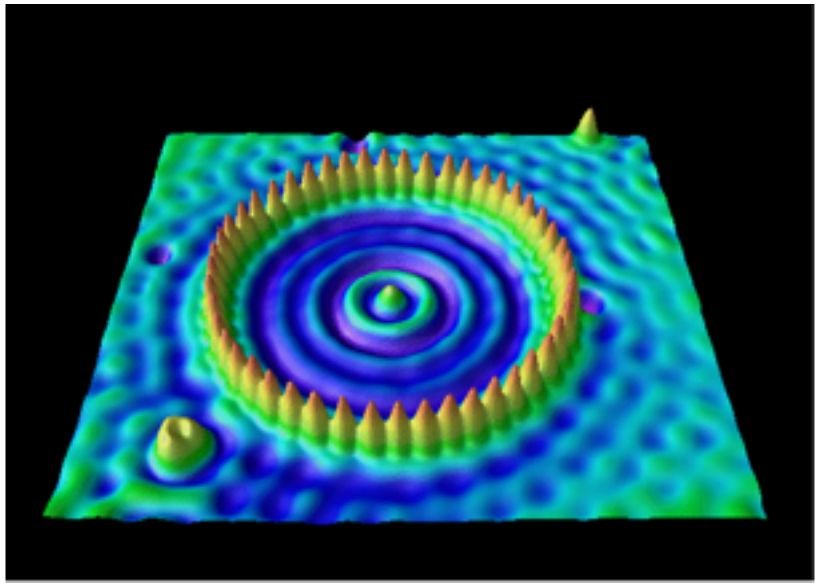


STM Images of Electron Surface Waves



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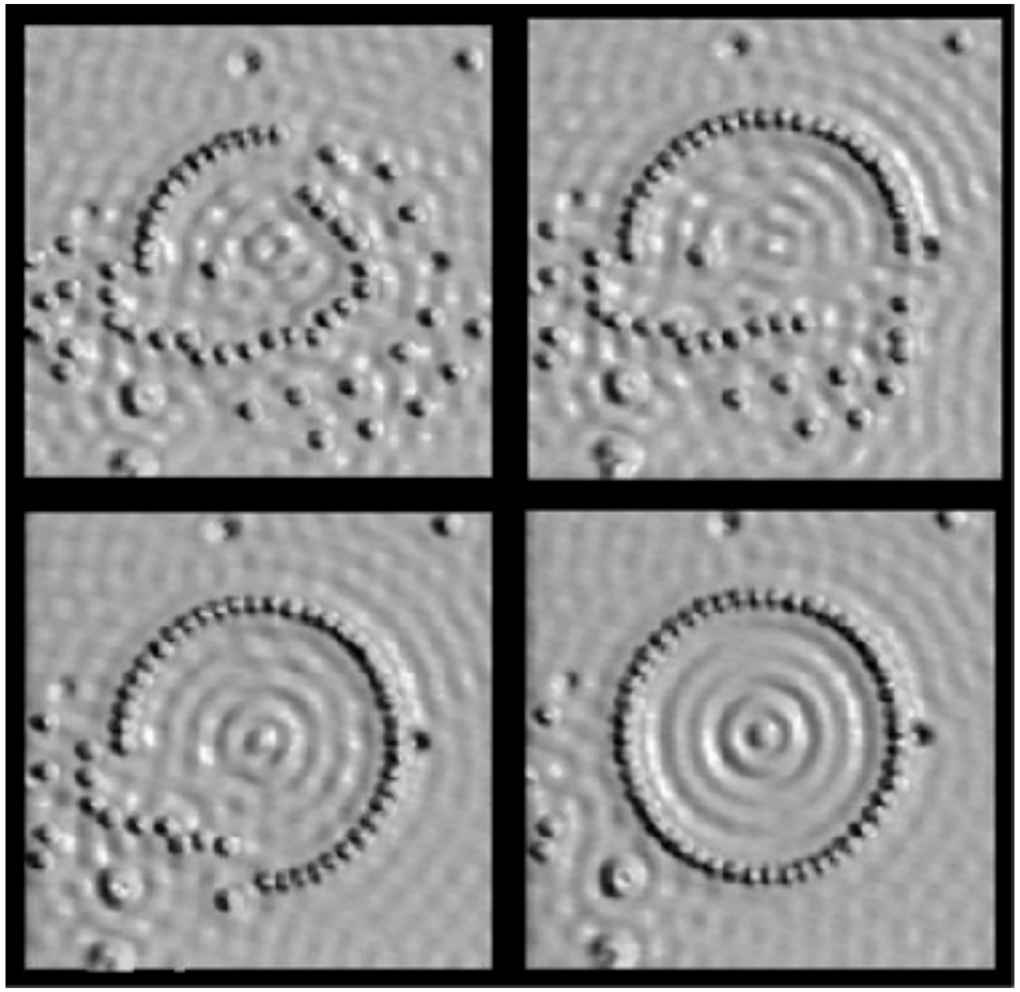

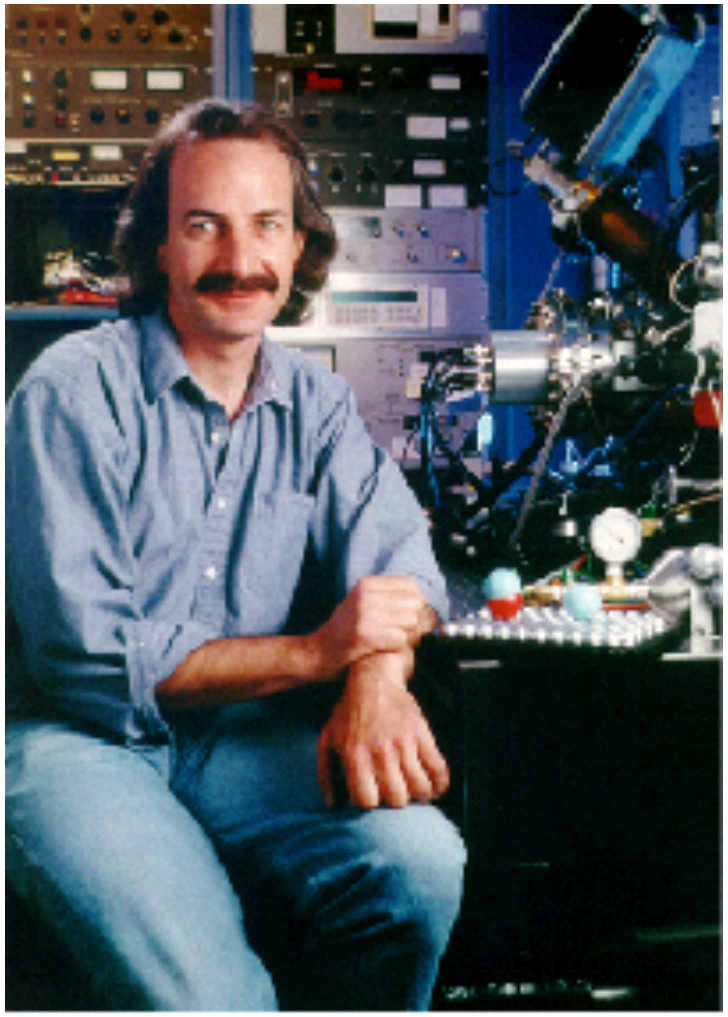

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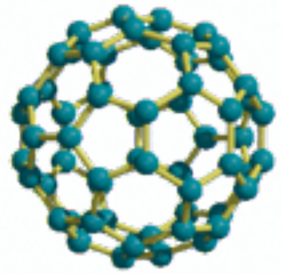
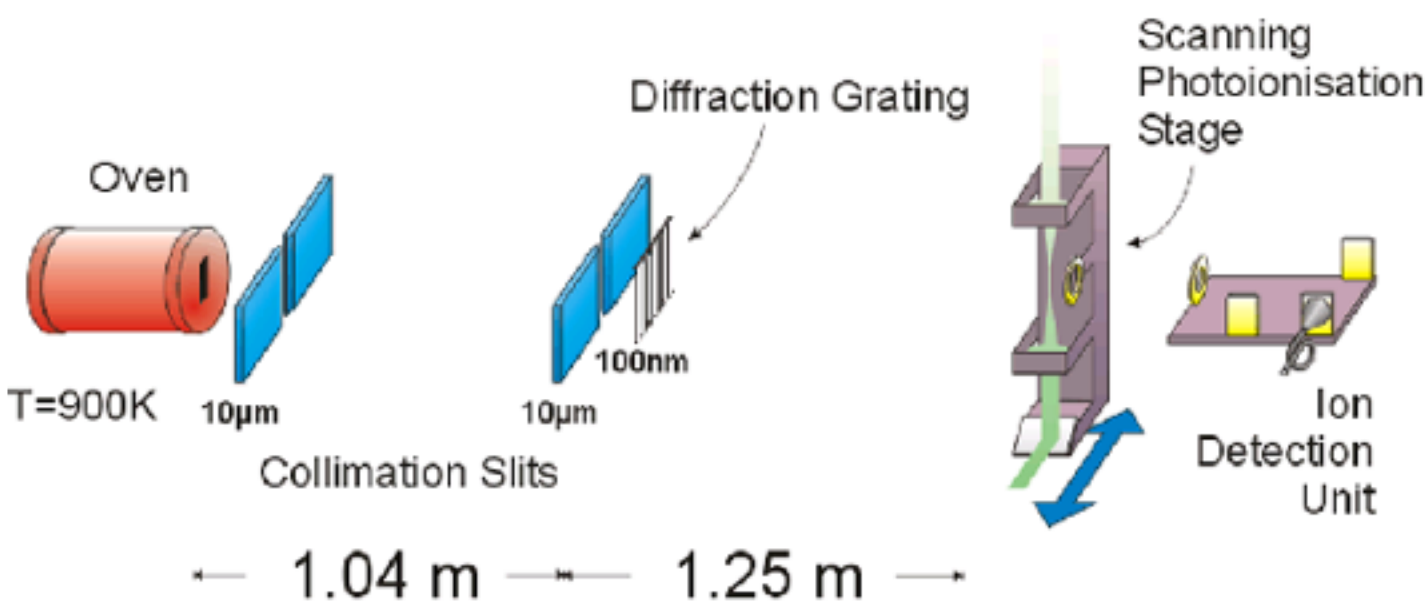
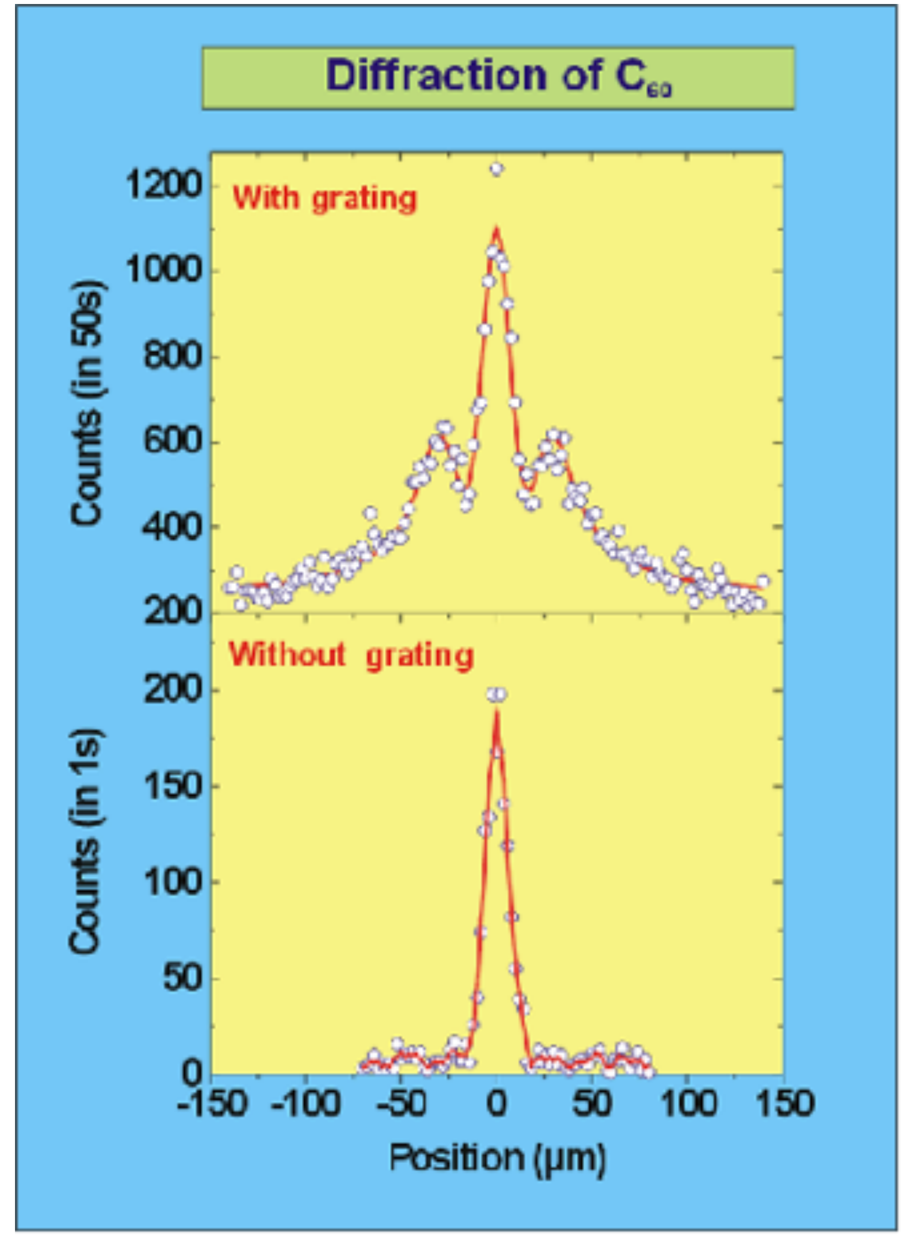


Interference of C_{60} Matter Waves



Pressure ~5·10^{-7} mbar



C_{60} Parameter

v = 220 m/s

λ = 2,5 pm

Gitter

Spaltbreite: 50 nm

Spaltabstand: 100 nm

M. Arndt *et. al.*

Nature **401**, ff. 680, 1999

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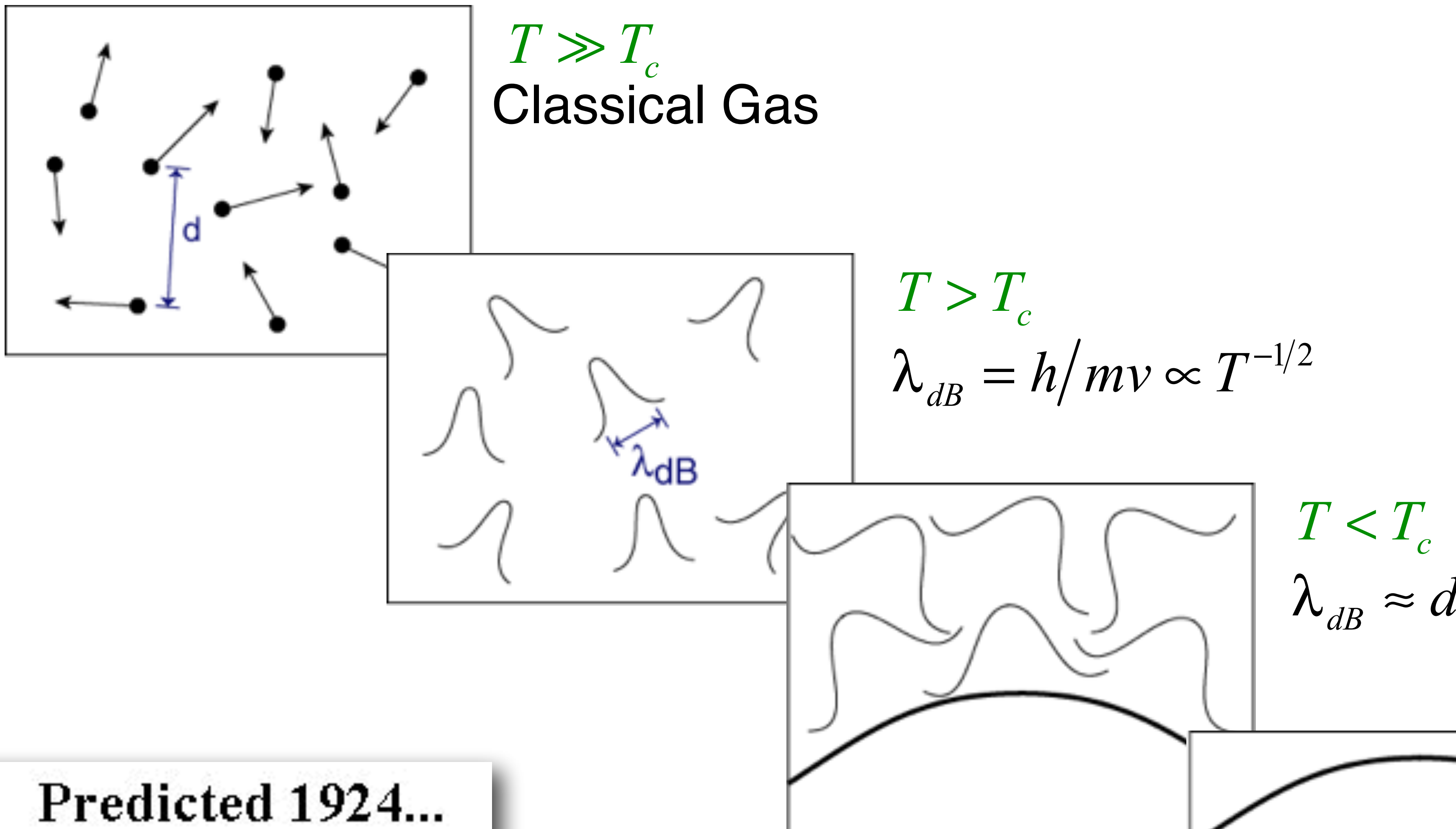
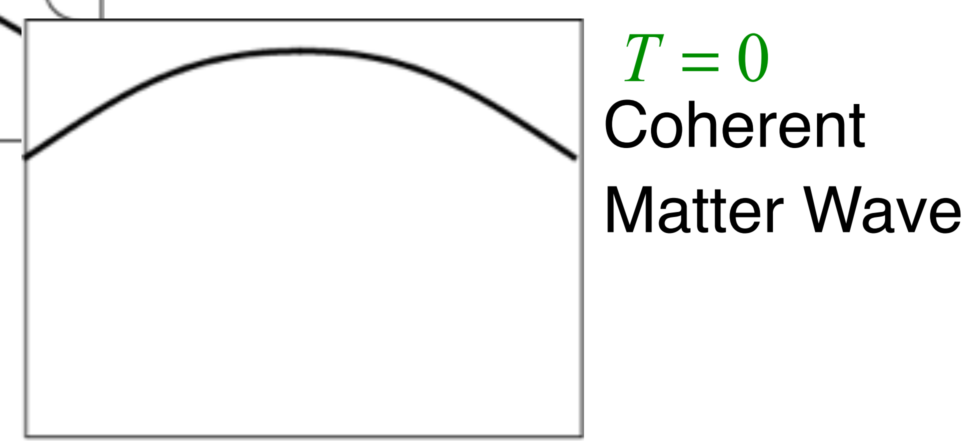
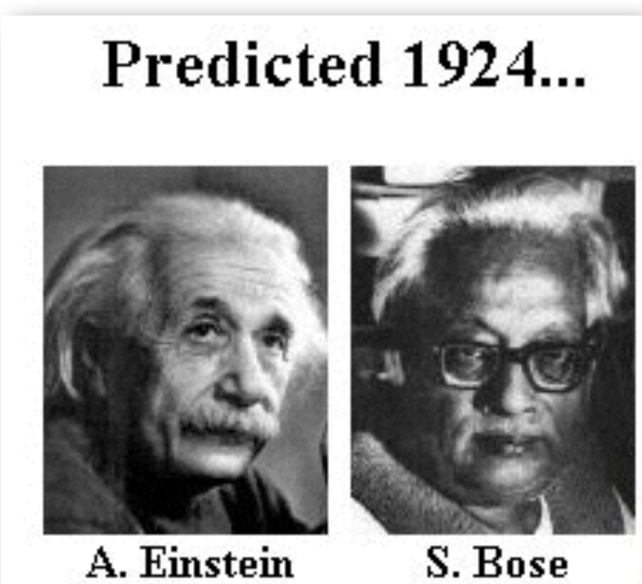
From a classical gas to a Bose-Einstein Condensate







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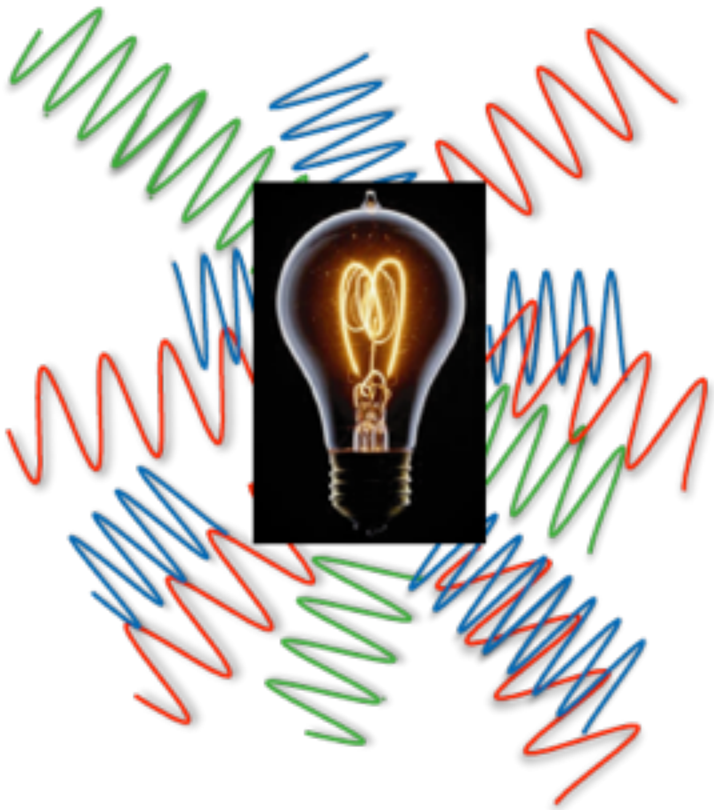

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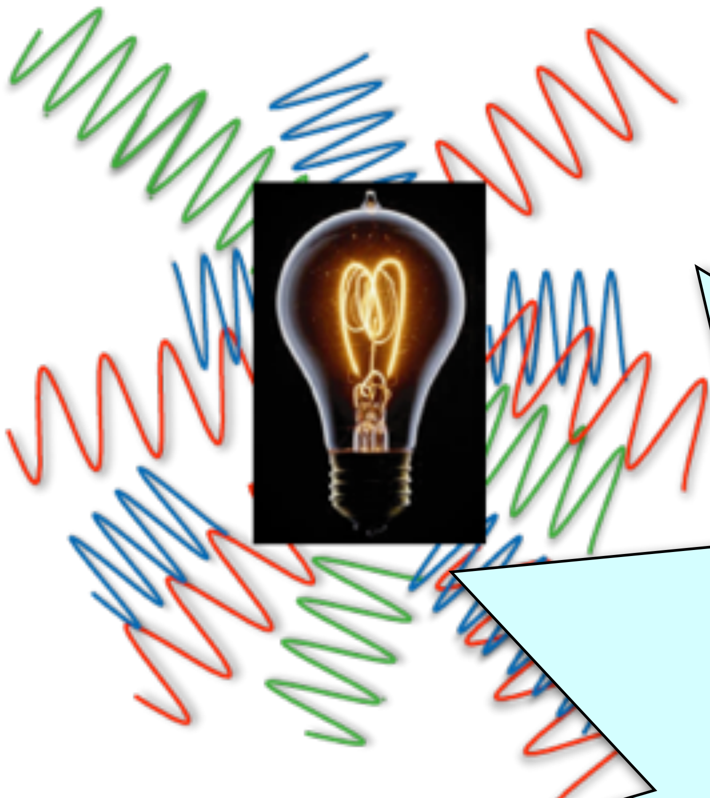
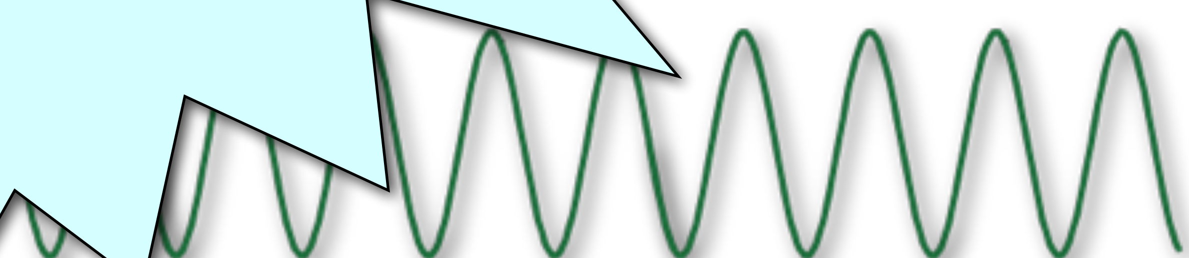


BEC is for matter what the laser is for light!



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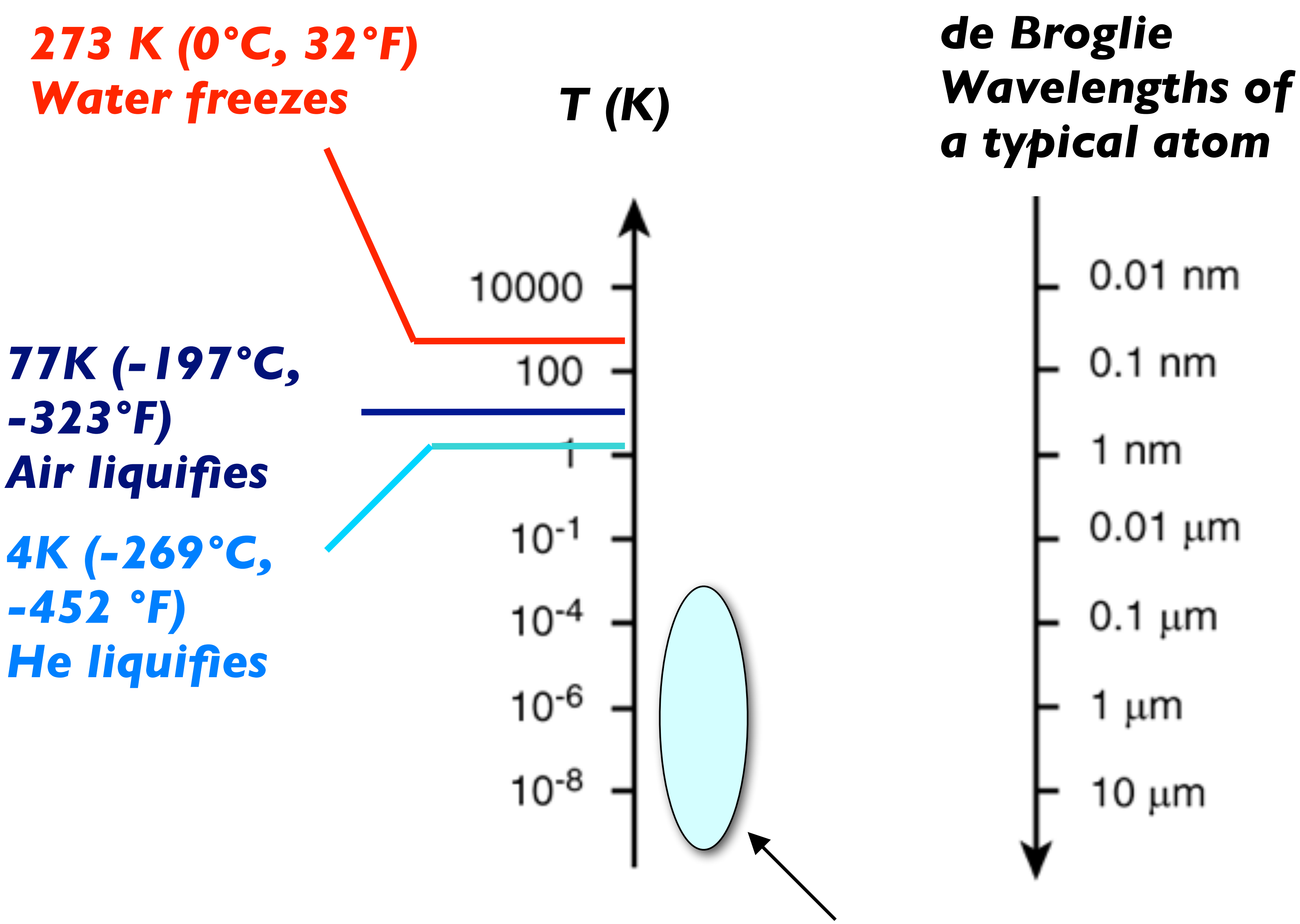
Even lower temperatures are needed!

de Broglie Wavelengths

Thermal deBroglie wavelengths

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2\pi\, m\, k_B T}}$$

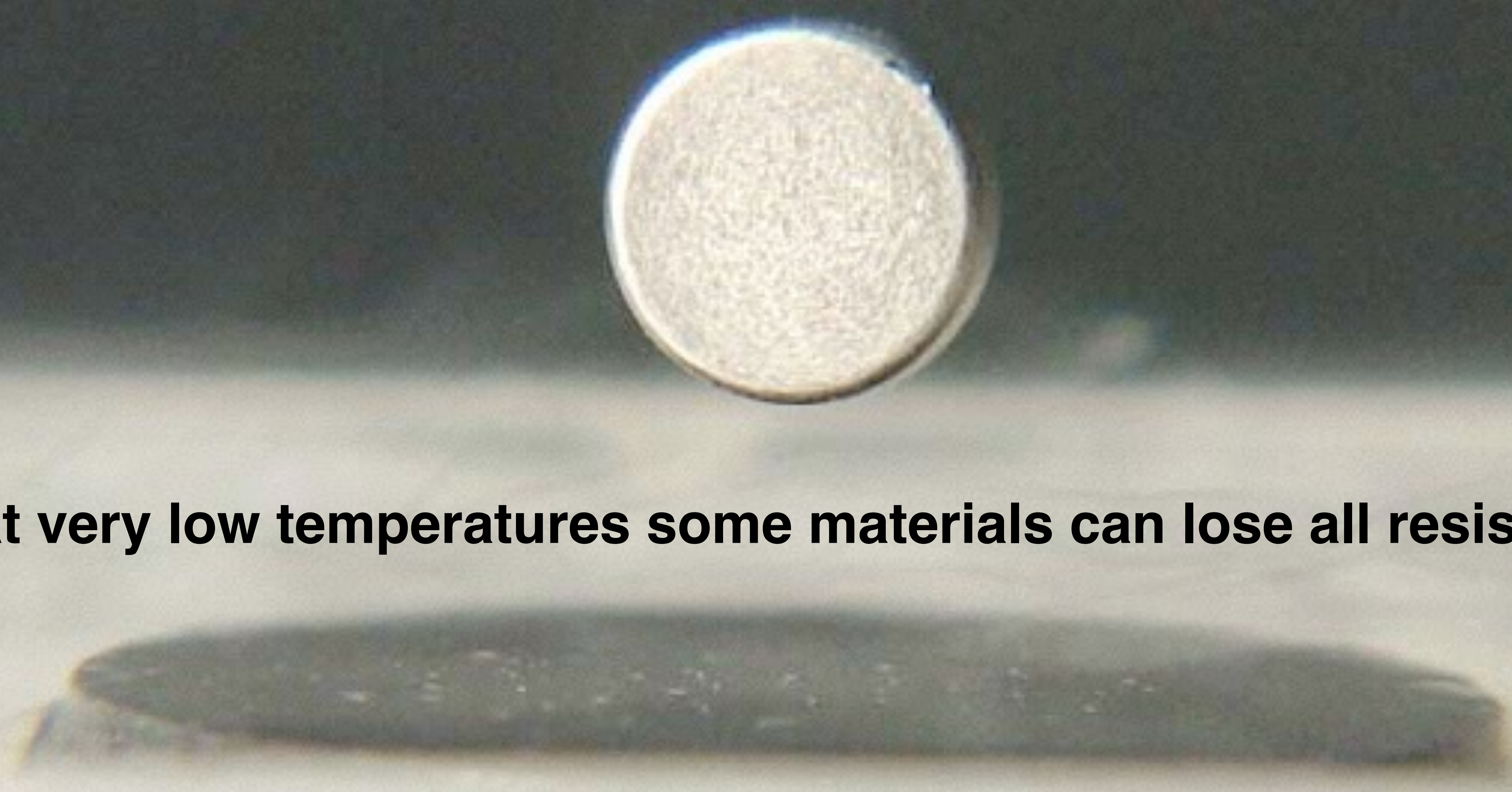


These are temperatures we need to reach to create macroscopic matter waves !

Matter changes at low temperatures!

- ***Matter can undergo a Phase Transition when lowering temperatures!***
  - ***Gas ⇨ Liquid***
  - ***Liquid ⇨ Solid***
  - ***Normal Conductor ⇨ Superconductor***
  - ***Normal Liquid ⇨ Superfluid***
  - ***Classical Gas ⇨ Quantum Gas (BEC)***

Superconductivity at Low Temperatures



At very low temperatures some materials can lose all resistivity!

They become superconductors!

Meissner Effect

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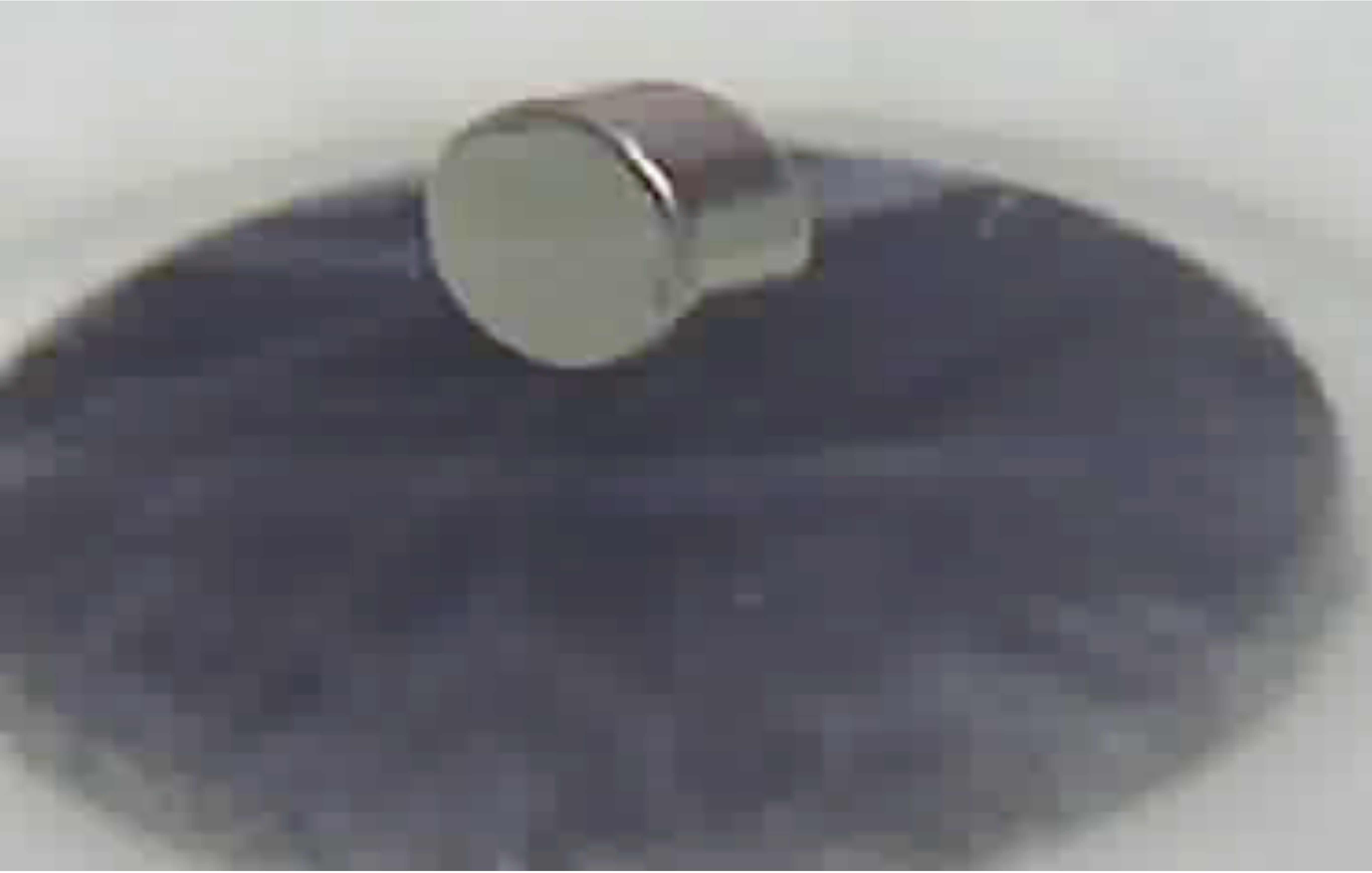
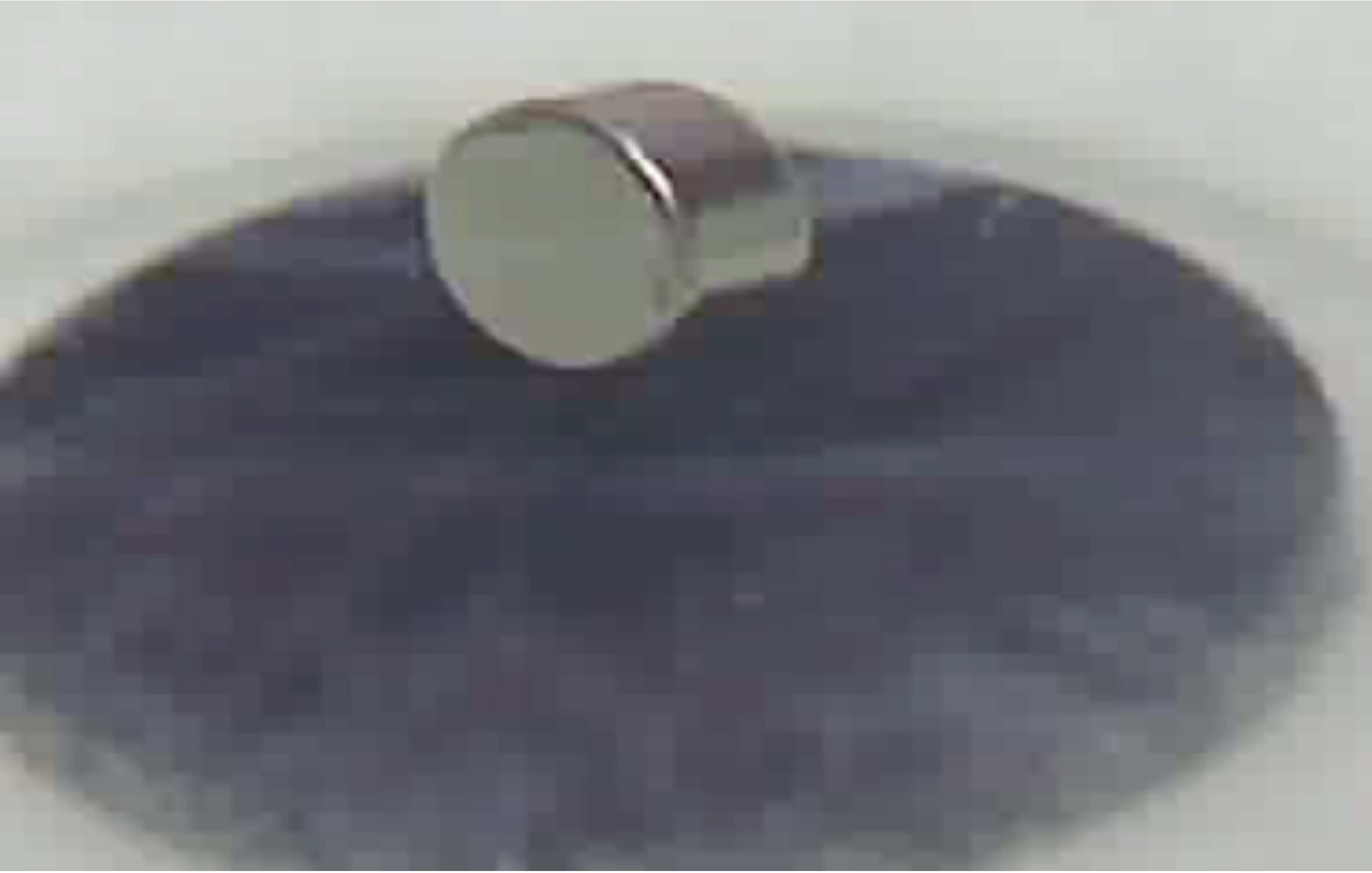
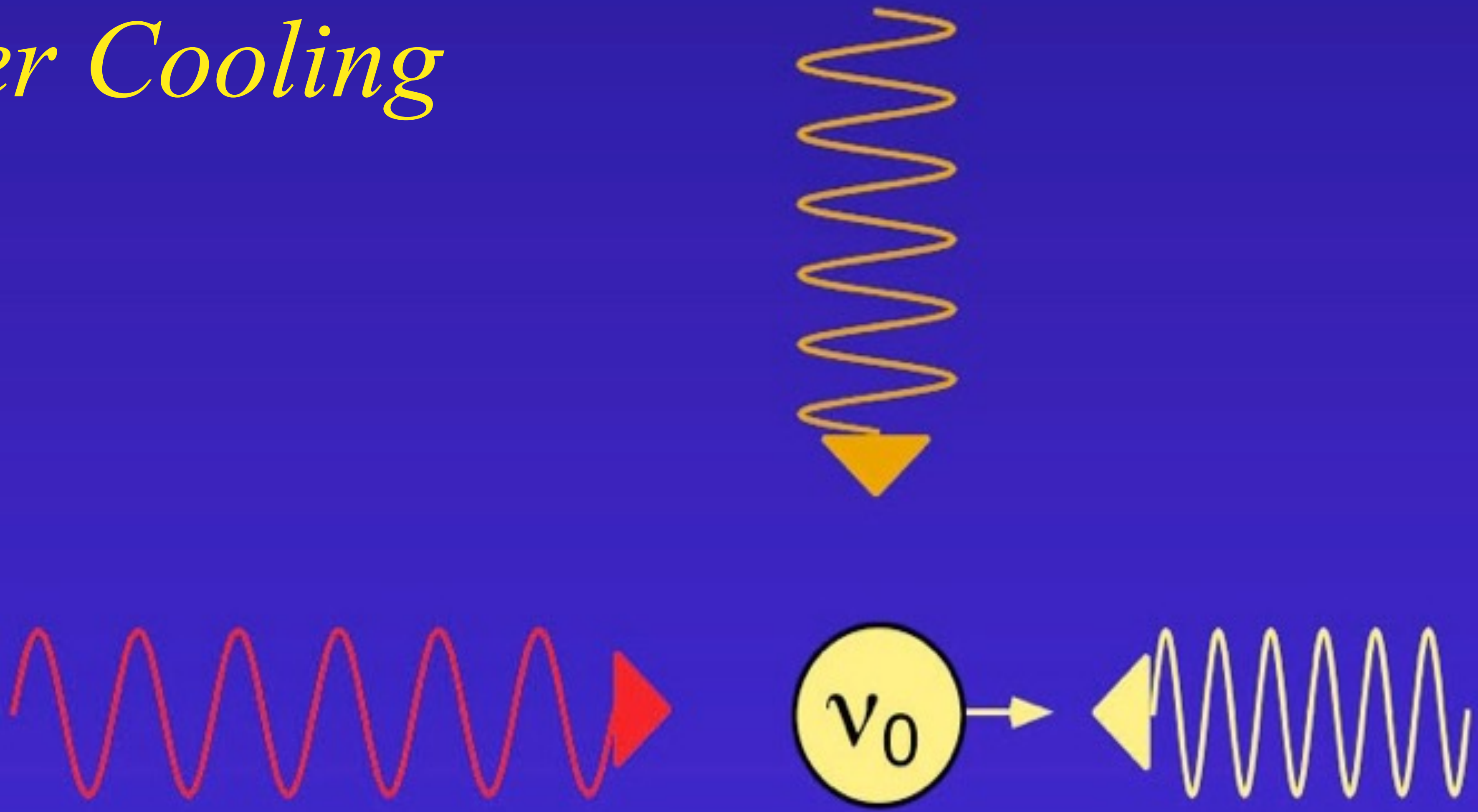





Radiation Pressure
Komet Hale-Bopp
A special way to cool!

Laser Cooling



T.W. Hänsch and A.L. Schawlow, Opt. Comm. 13, 68 (1975)

Laser Cooling

Nobel in Physics 1997

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Laser Cooling some Facts

Maximum Acceleration

$$a_{\max} = \frac{\hbar k}{m} \times \frac{\Gamma}{2}$$

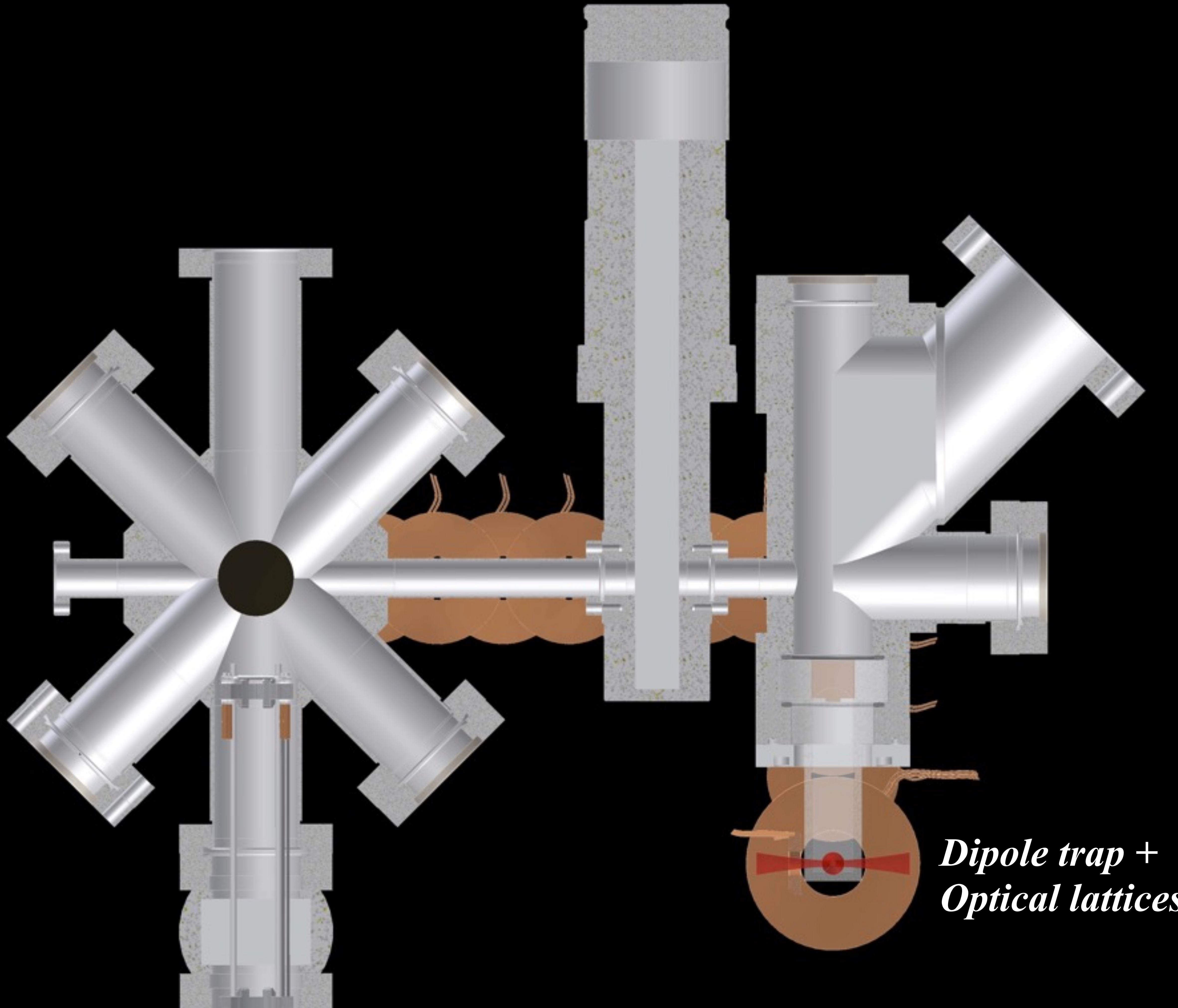
e.g. for ^{87}Rb

$$a_{\max} = 100000\, m/s^2$$

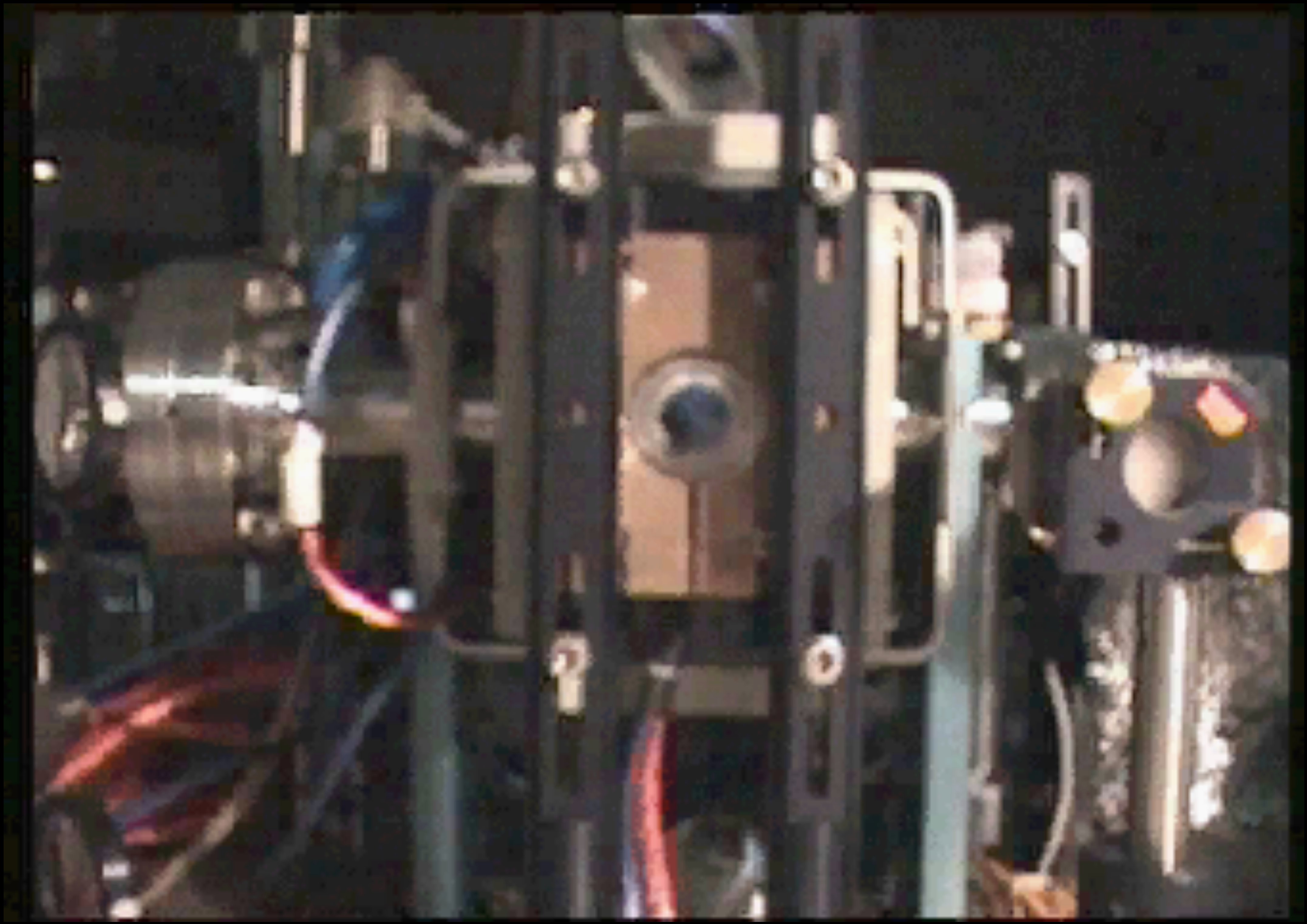
10000 g !

Minimum Temperature

$$T_{\min} \approx 10 \mu K$$


Dipole trap +
Optical lattices

Laser Cooling at Work



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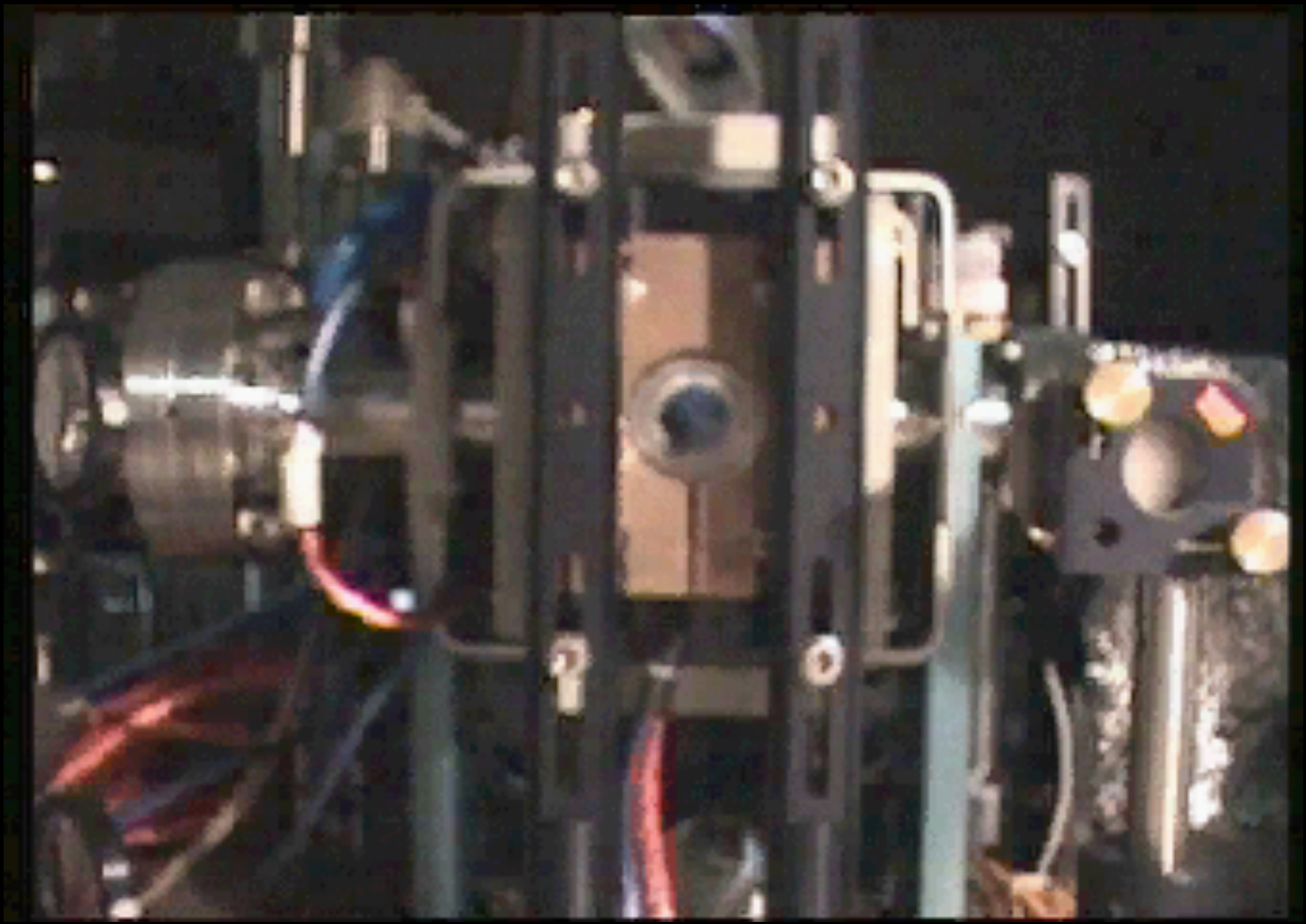
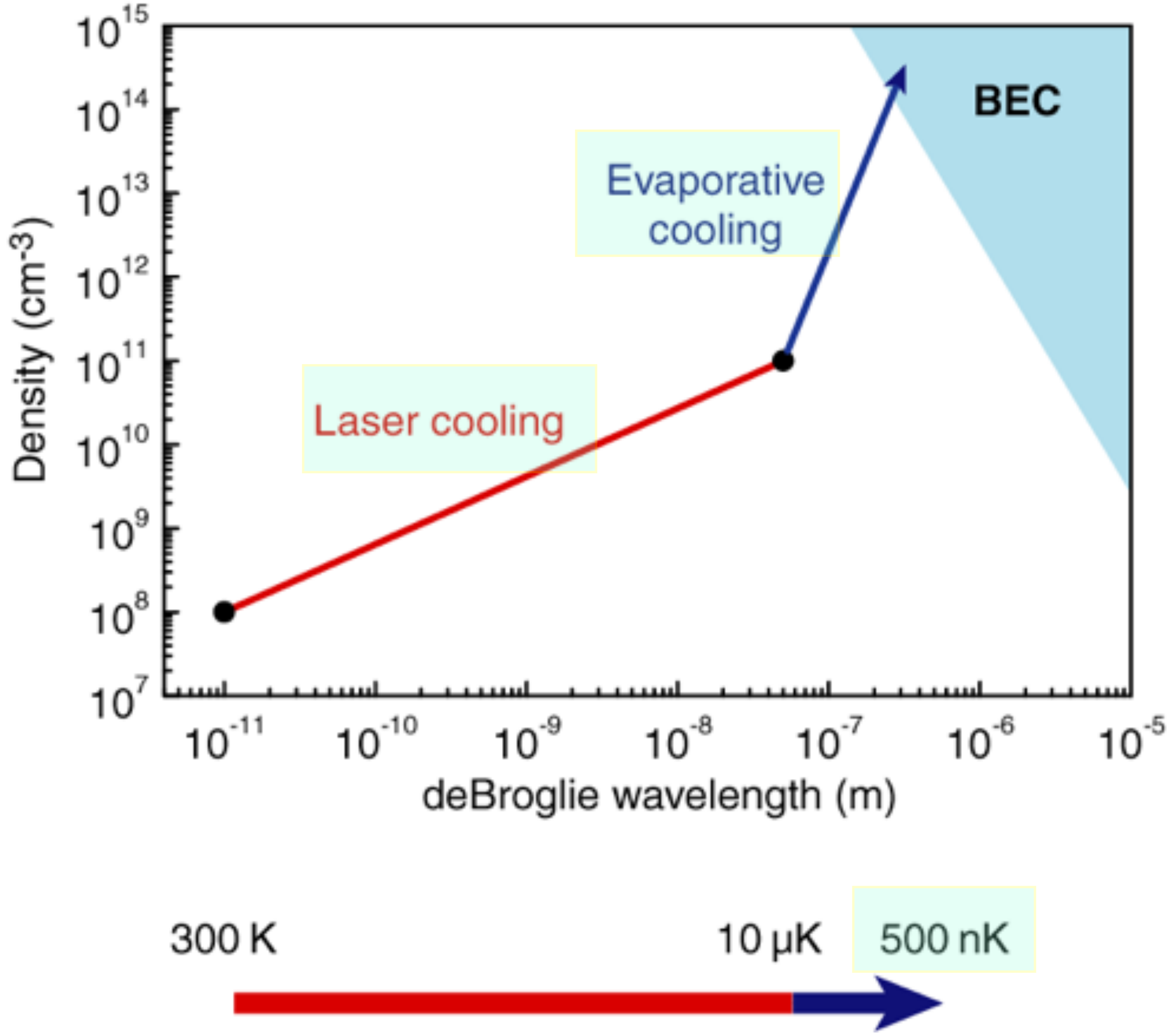
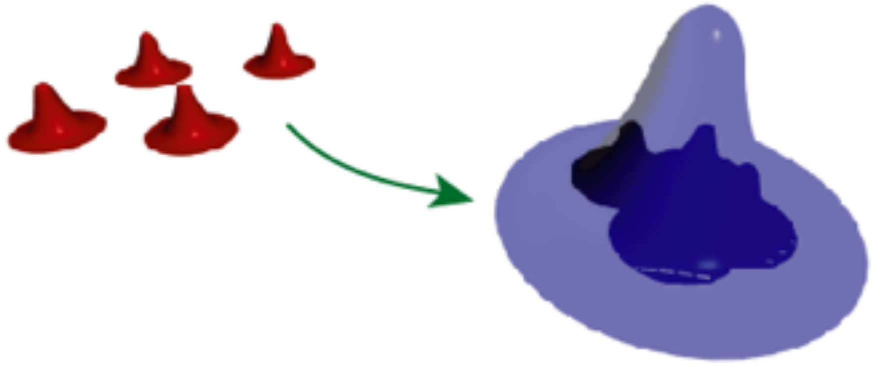


The Path to Bose-Einstein Condensation



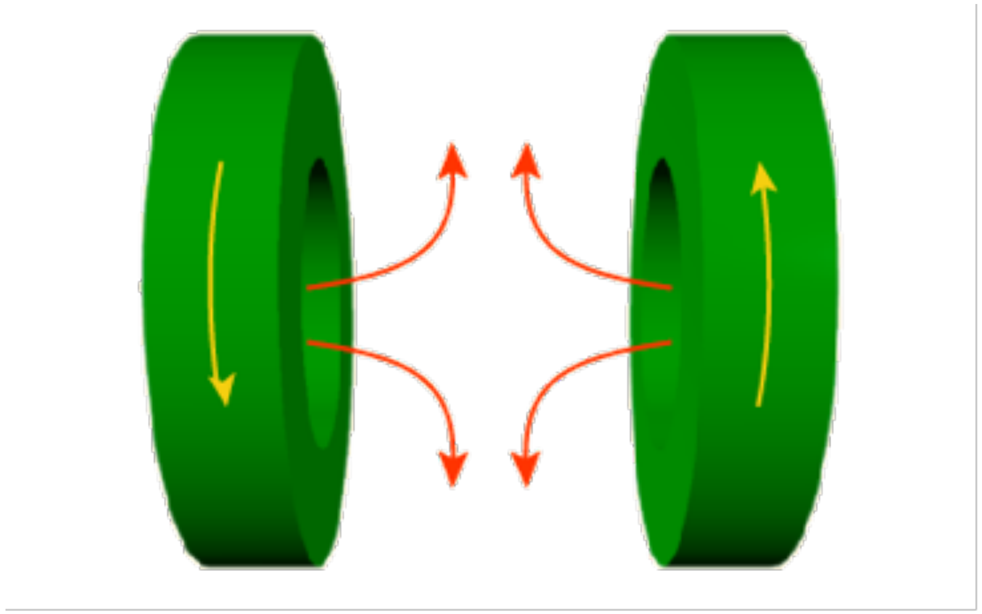
$$n \cdot \lambda^3 \approx 1$$

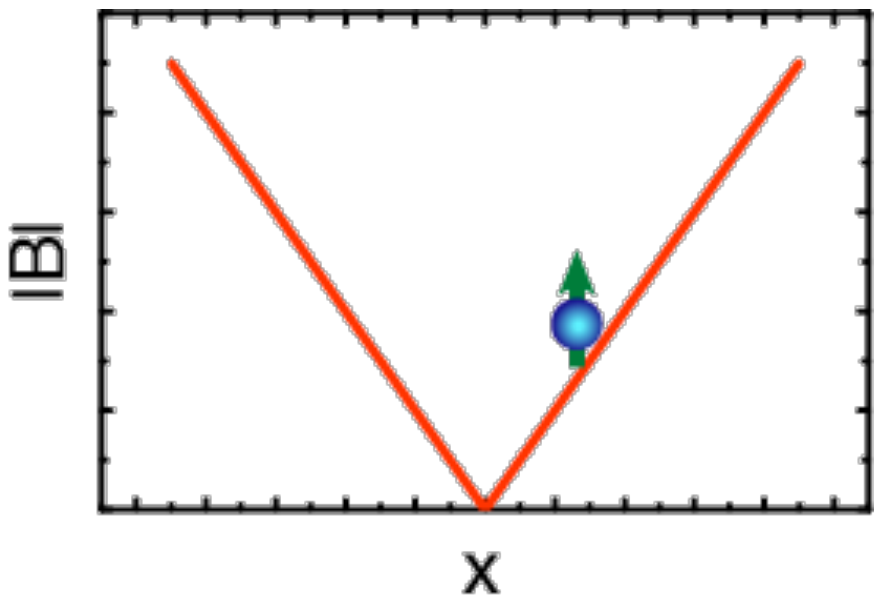


Magnetic Traps for Neutral Atoms

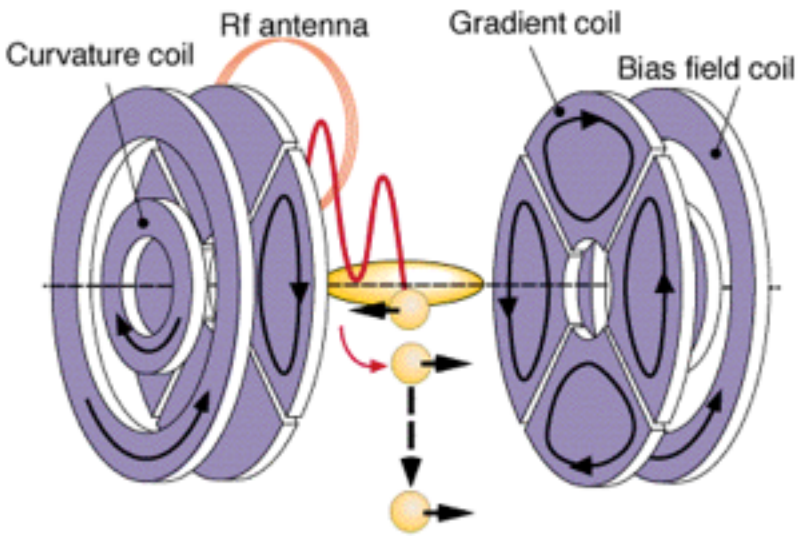
Energy of an atom in an external magnetic field $E = -\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B}$

Force on an atom in an inhomogeneous magnetic field $\vec{F} = -\mu \cdot \nabla B$



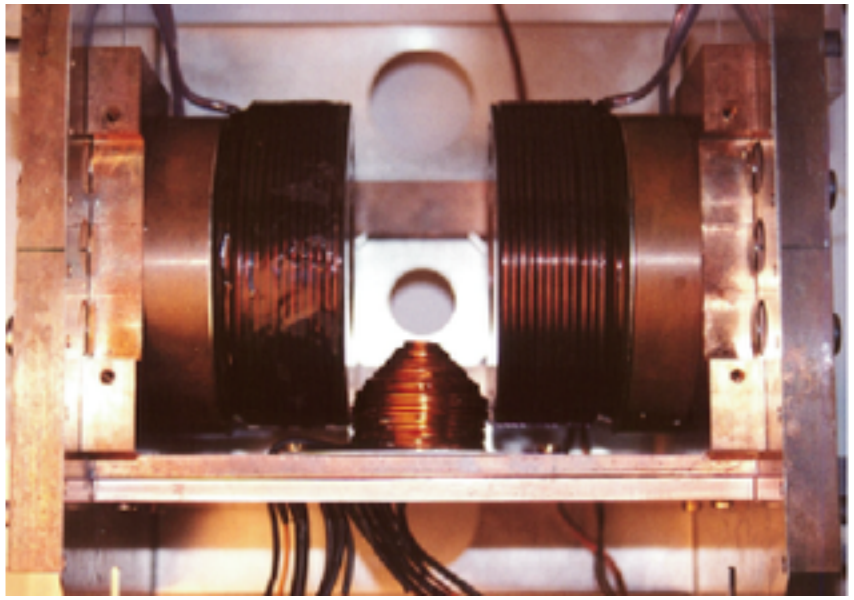


Magnetic Trap ‘Zoology’



MIT, March '96 [M.-O. Mewes et al., PRL 77, 416 (1996)]

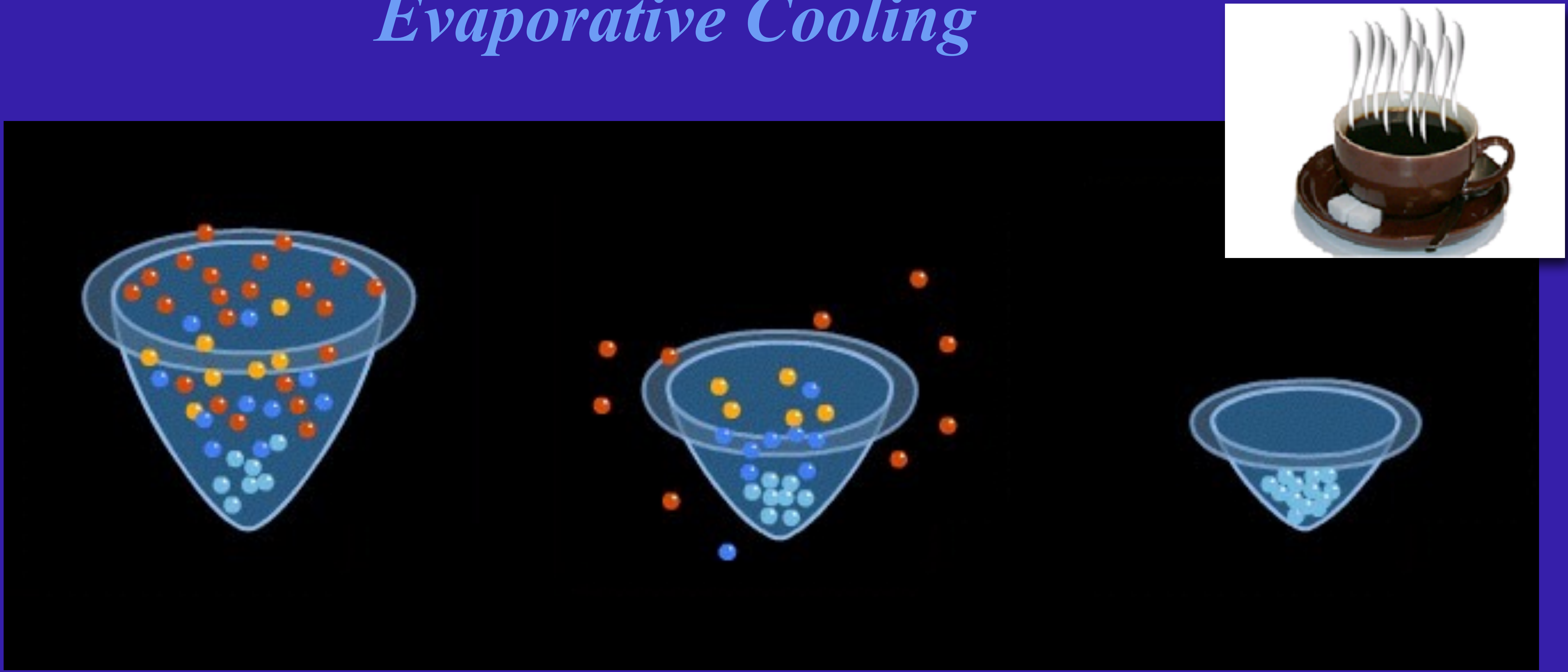
Cloverleaf Trap



QUIC-Trap

Miniaturized Magnetic Traps

Evaporative Cooling



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Time-of-Flight Imaging

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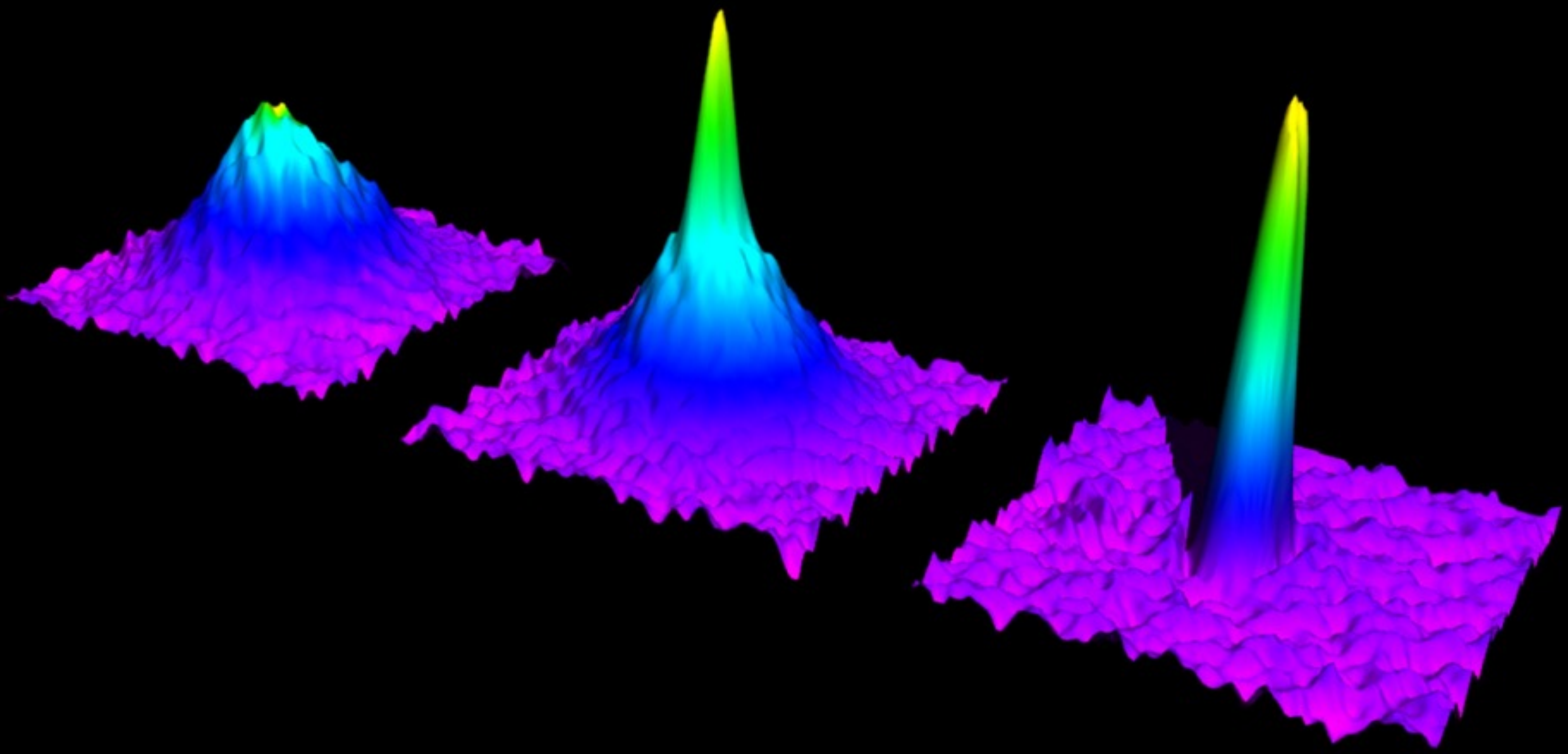

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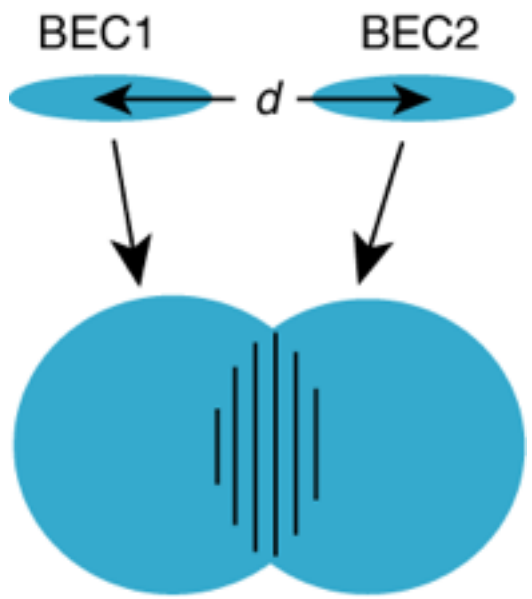
Trapped BEC's

BEC's after expansion time t



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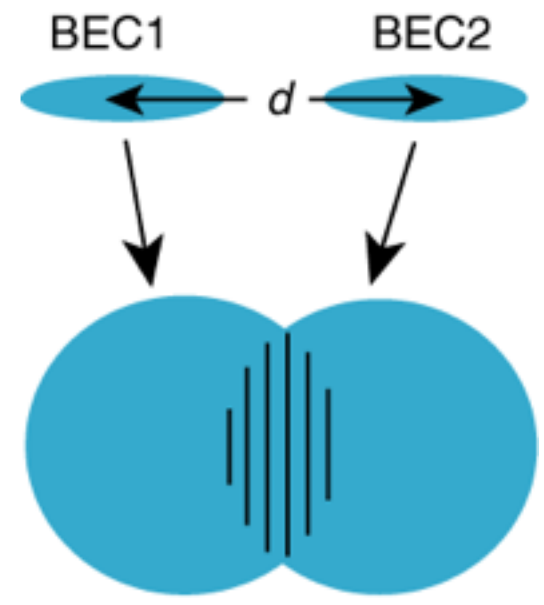

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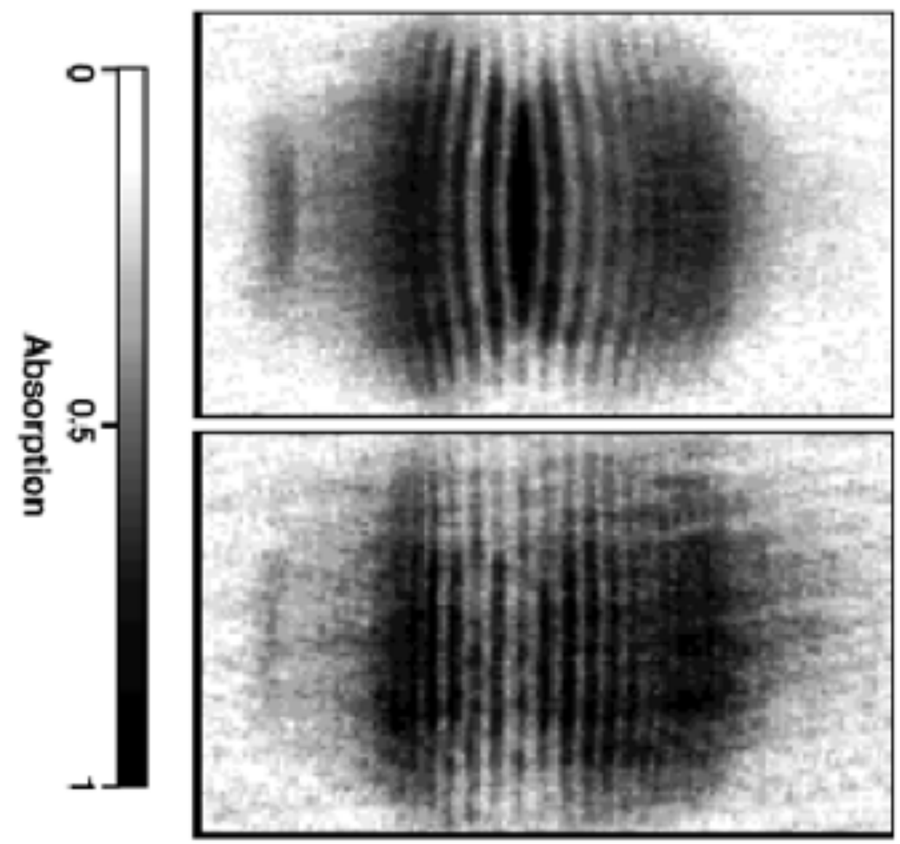

M. R. Andrews *et. al.*
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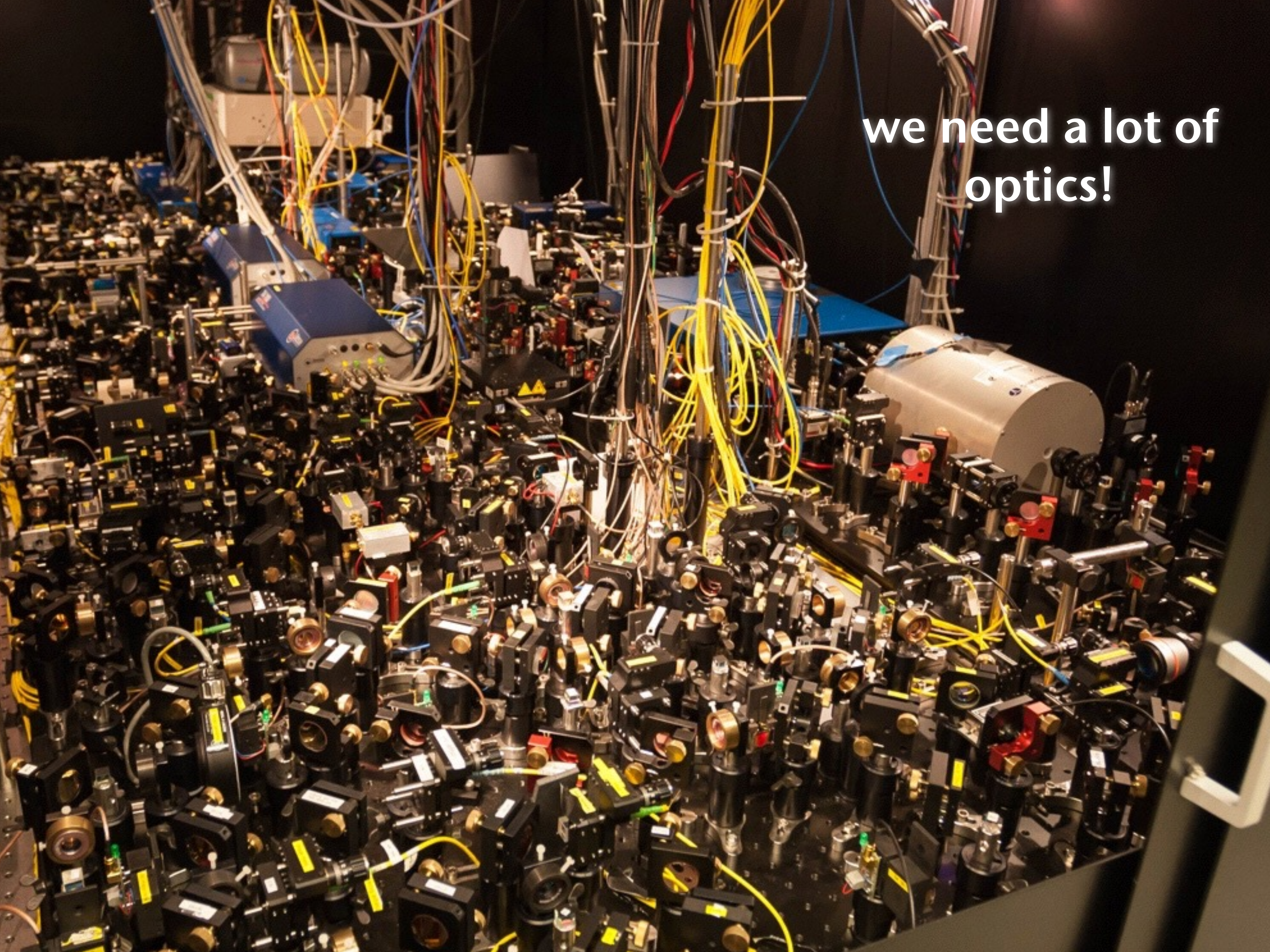
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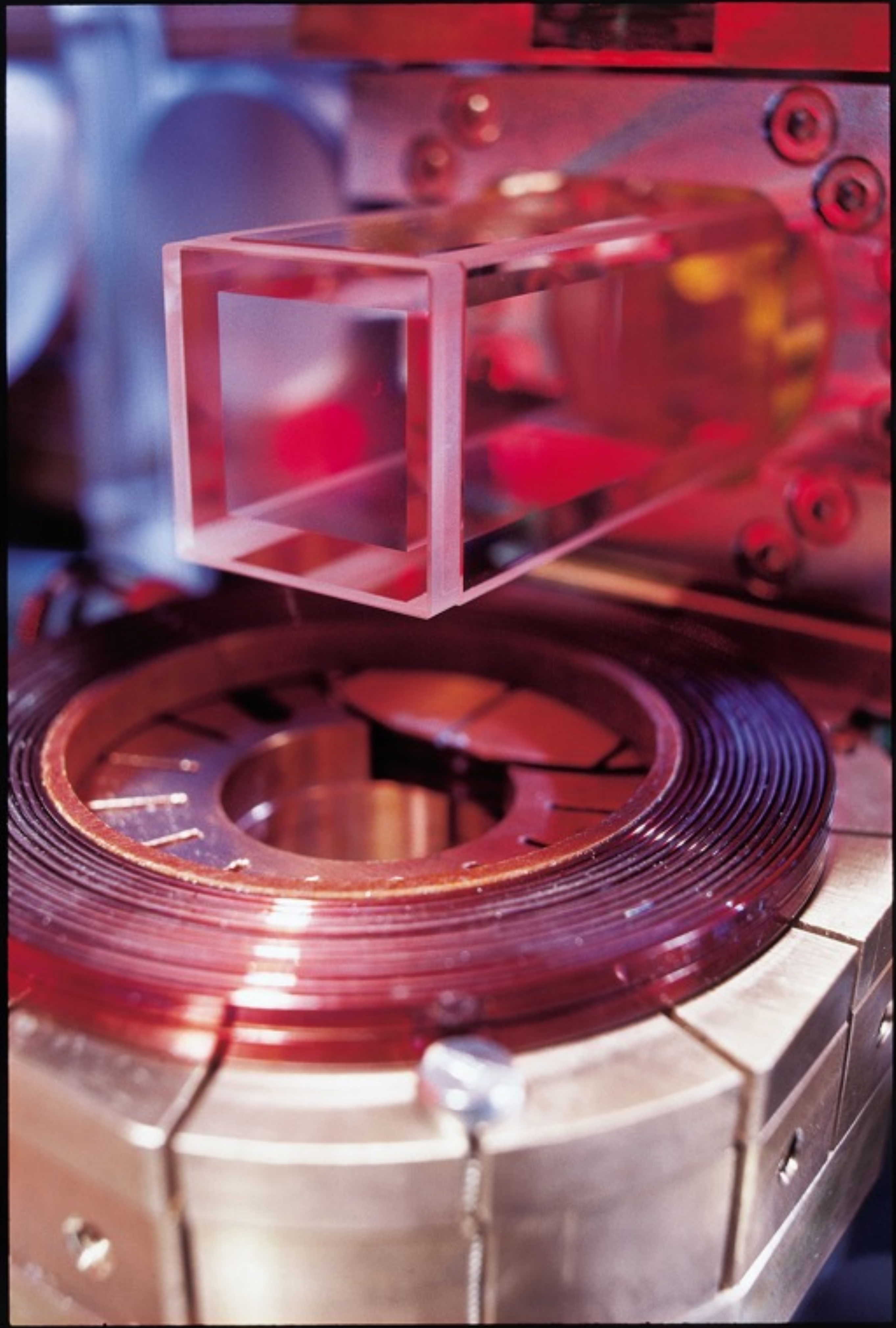

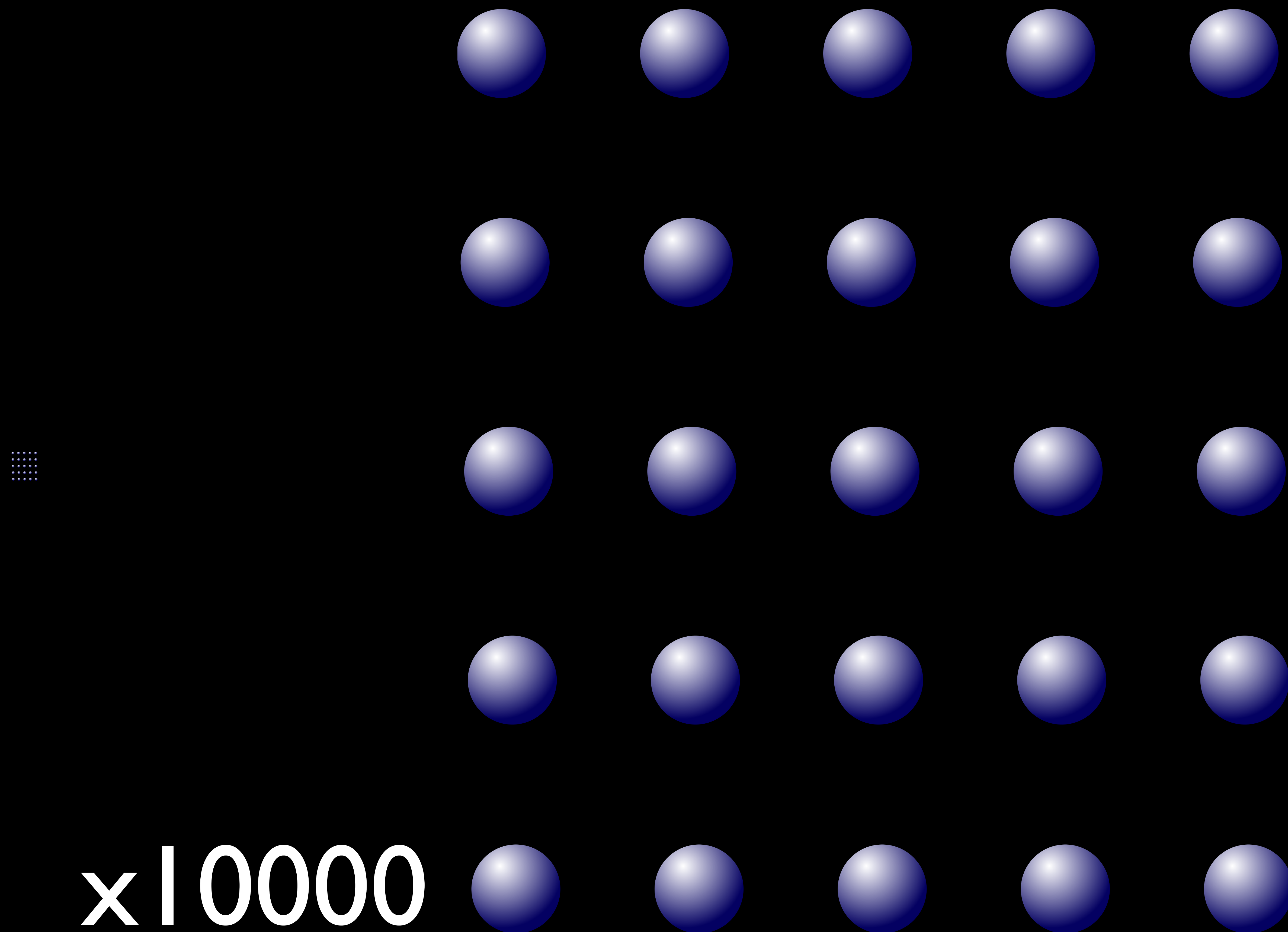
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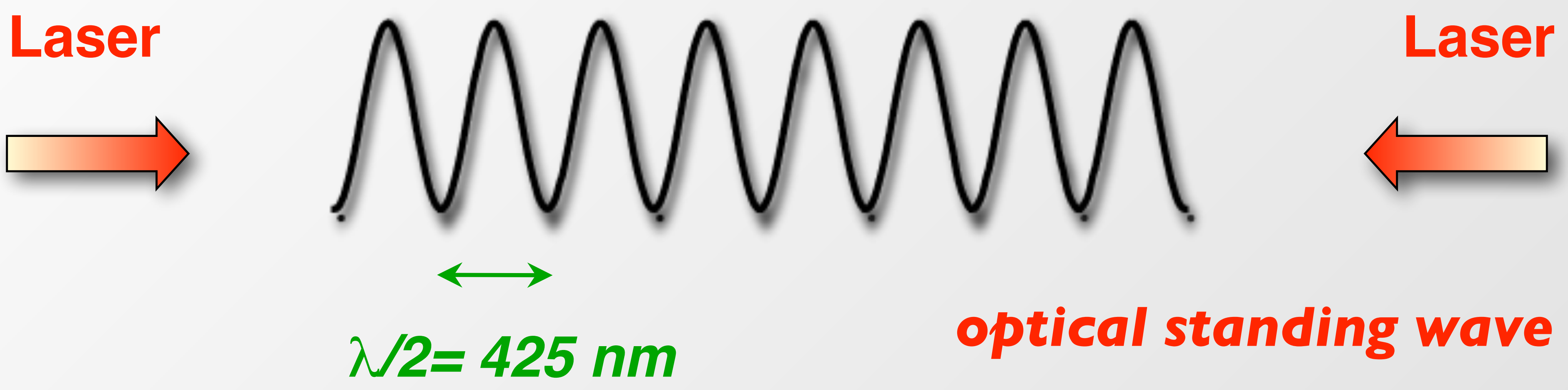

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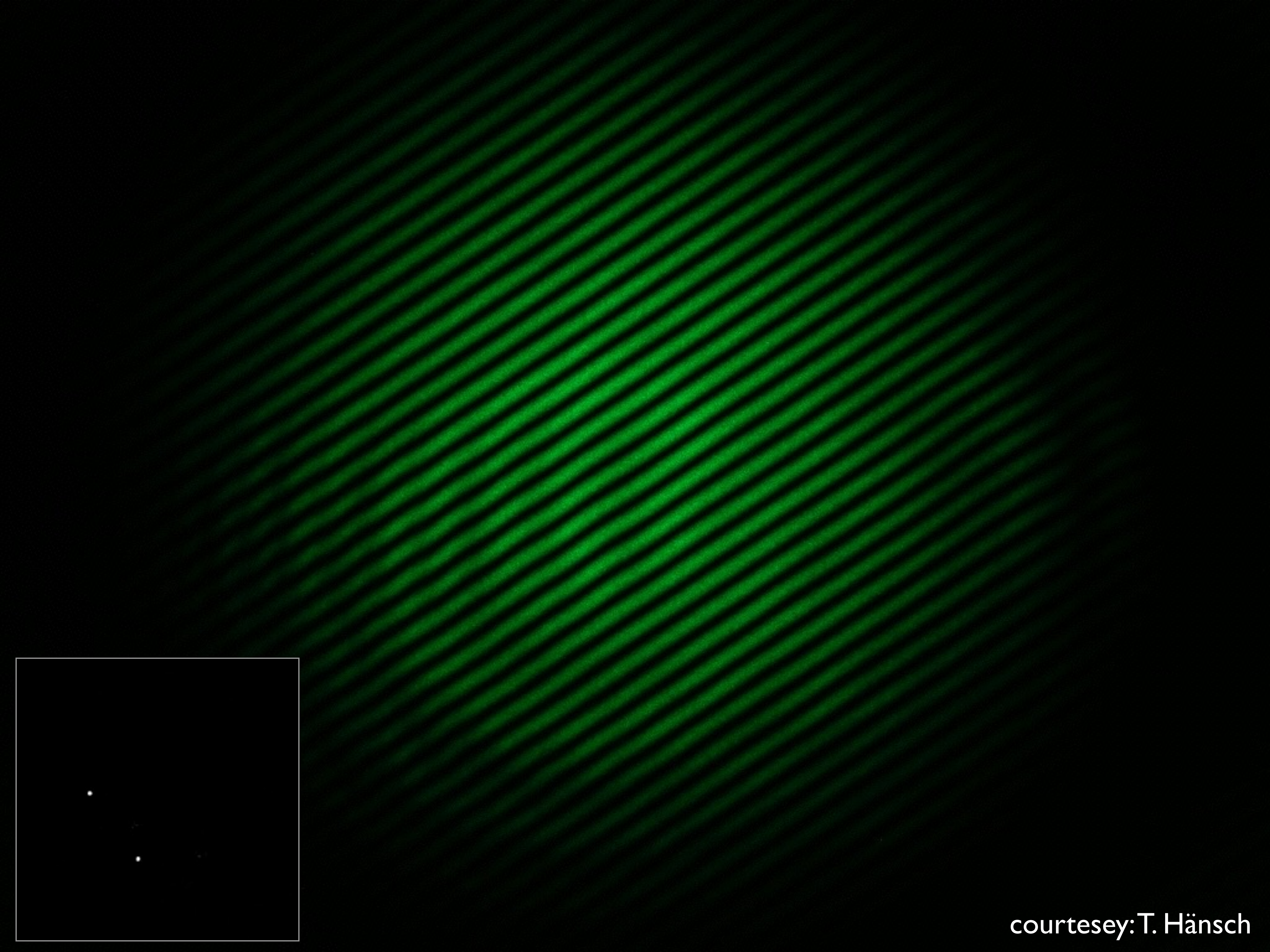

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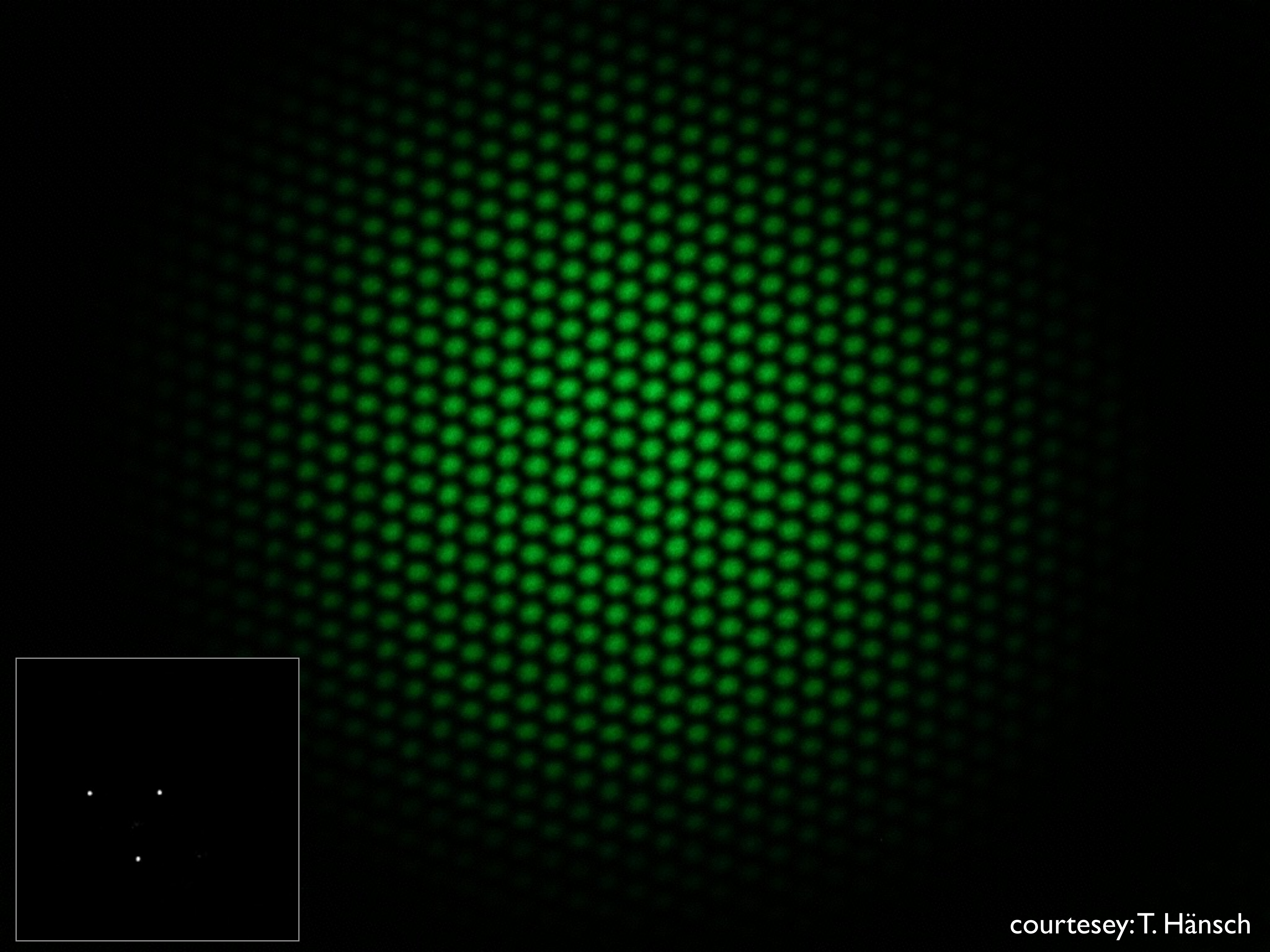

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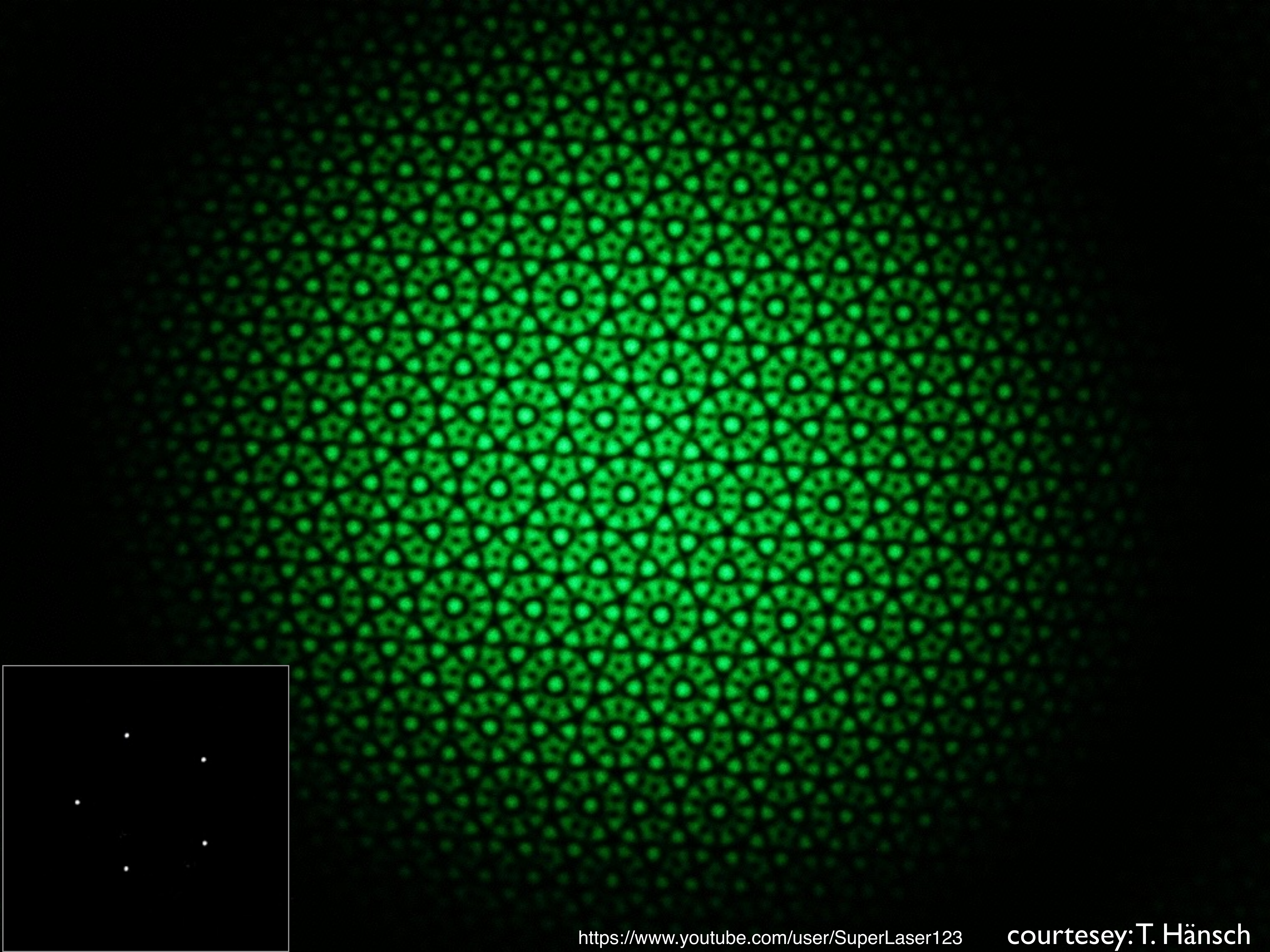

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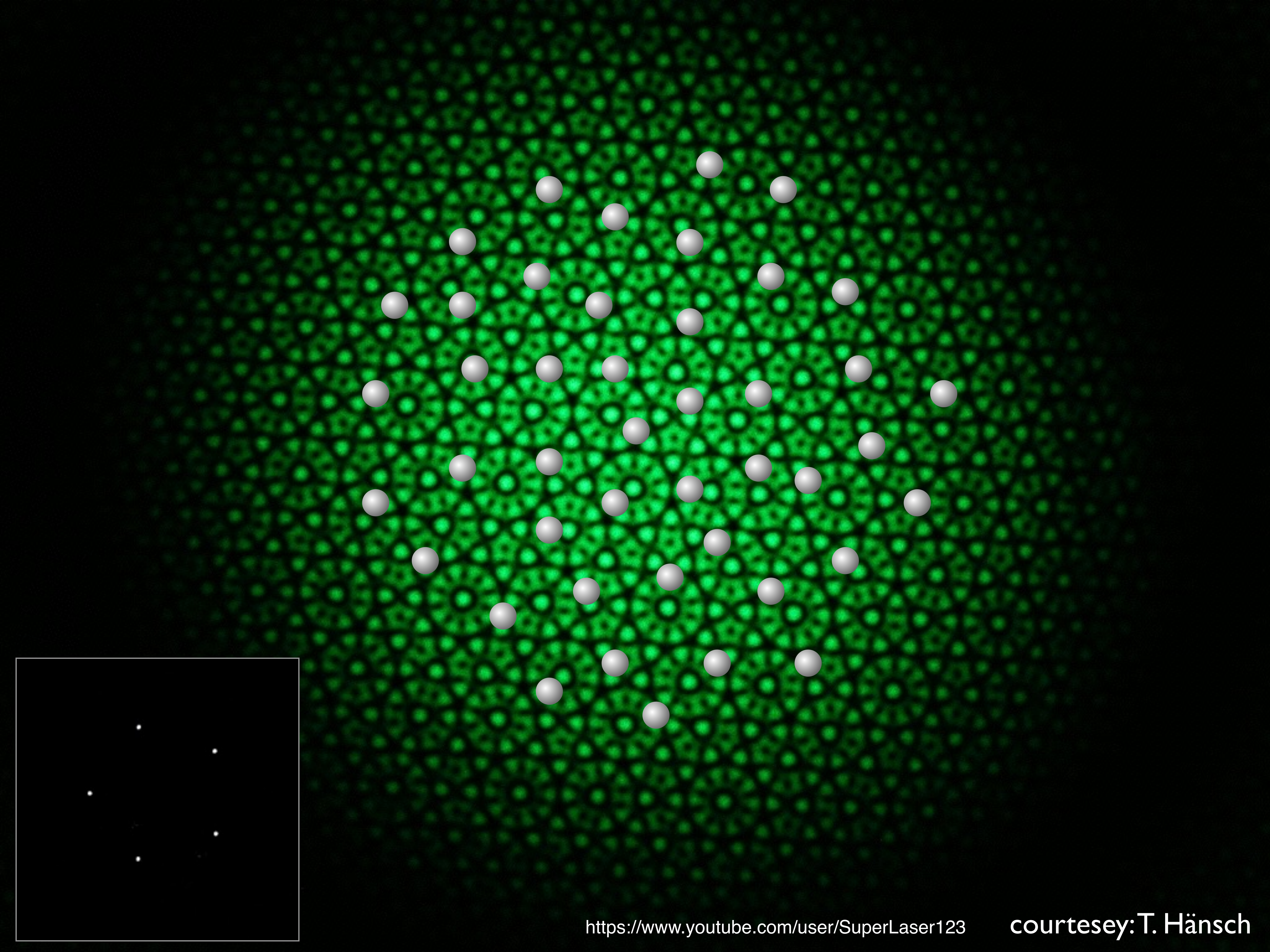
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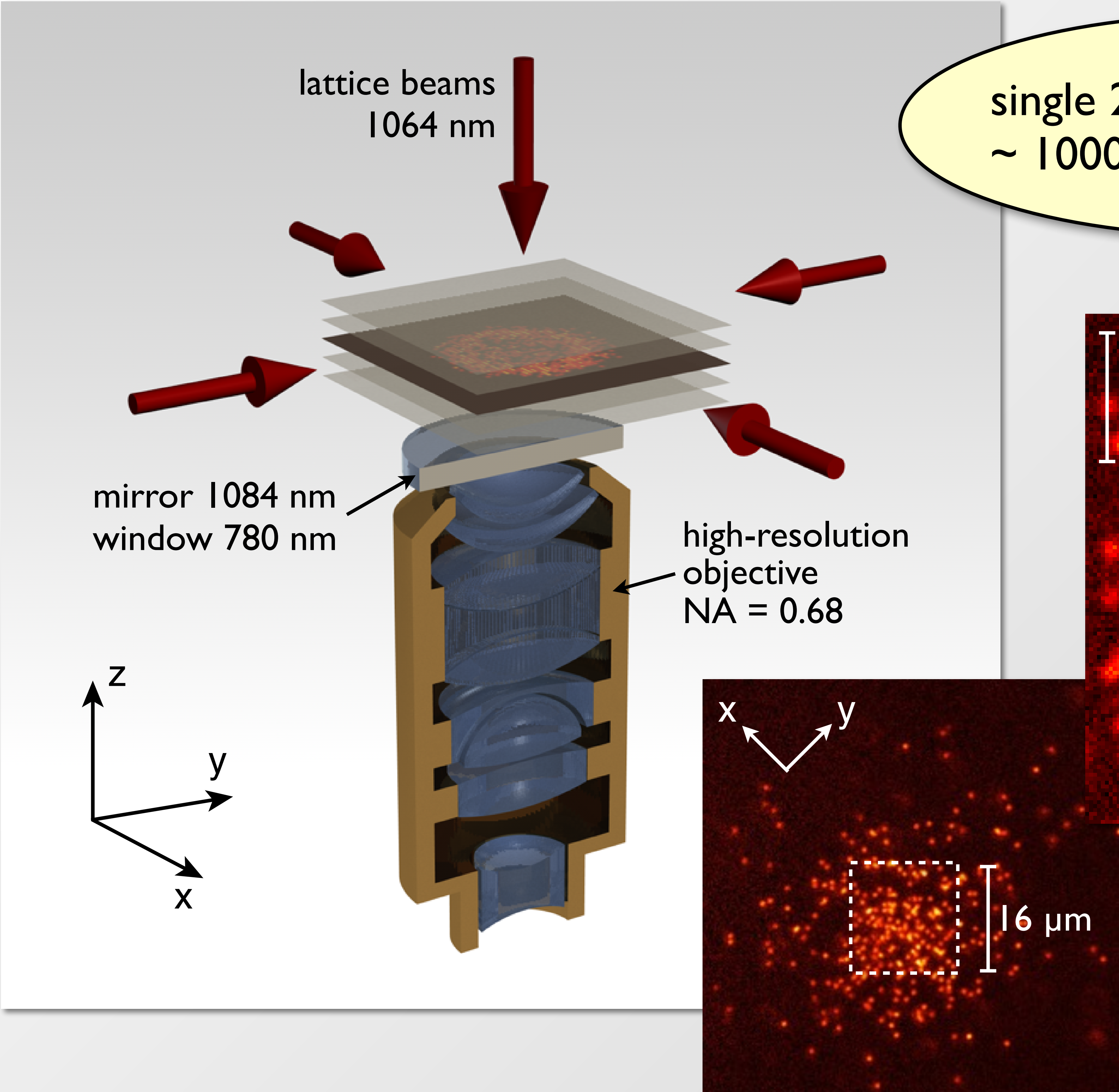
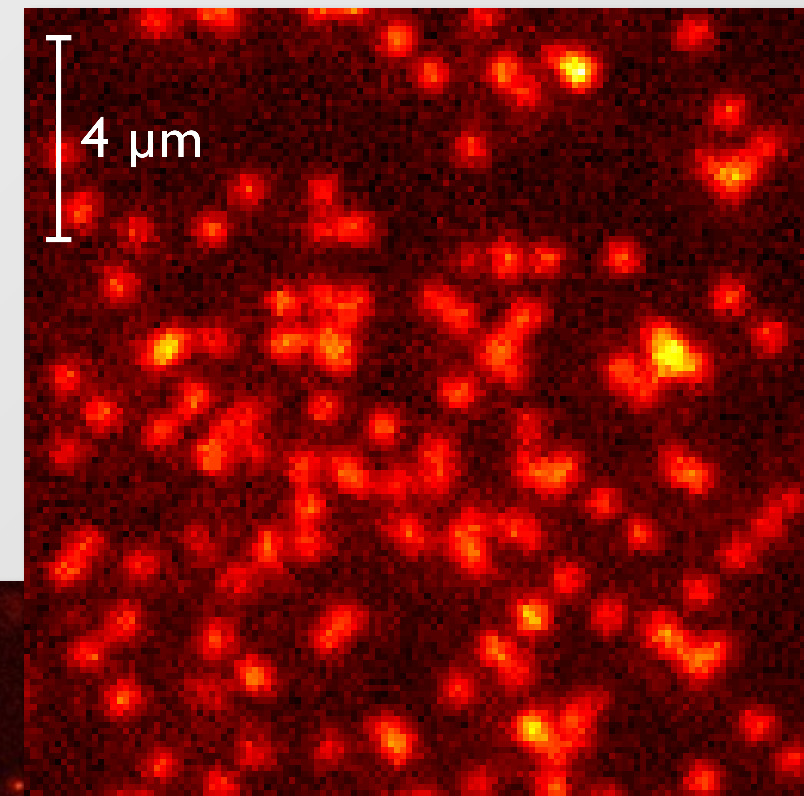
Seeing Single Atoms

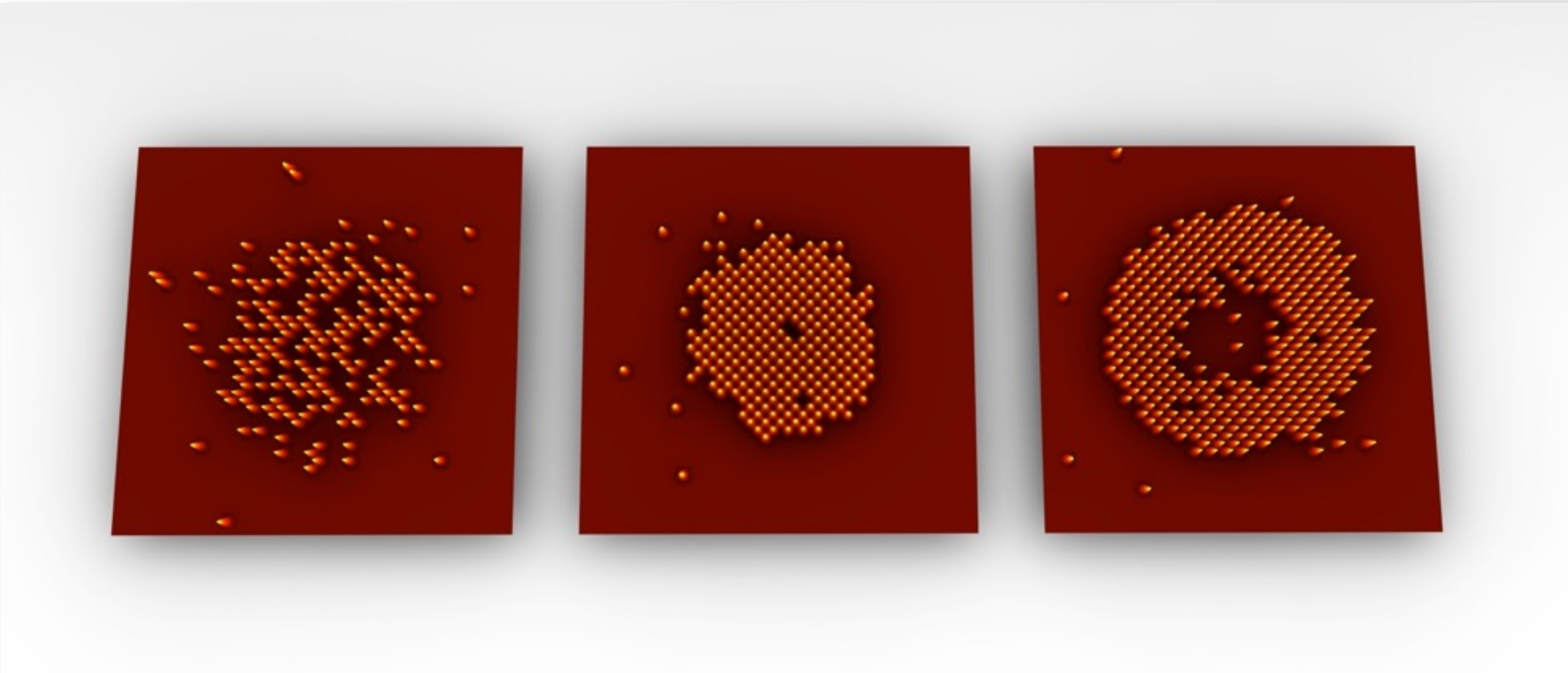


single 2D degenerate gas
~ 1000 ^{87}Rb atoms (bosons)



resolution of the imaging system:
~700 nm

Snapshot of an Atomic Density Distribution



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n=1 & n=2
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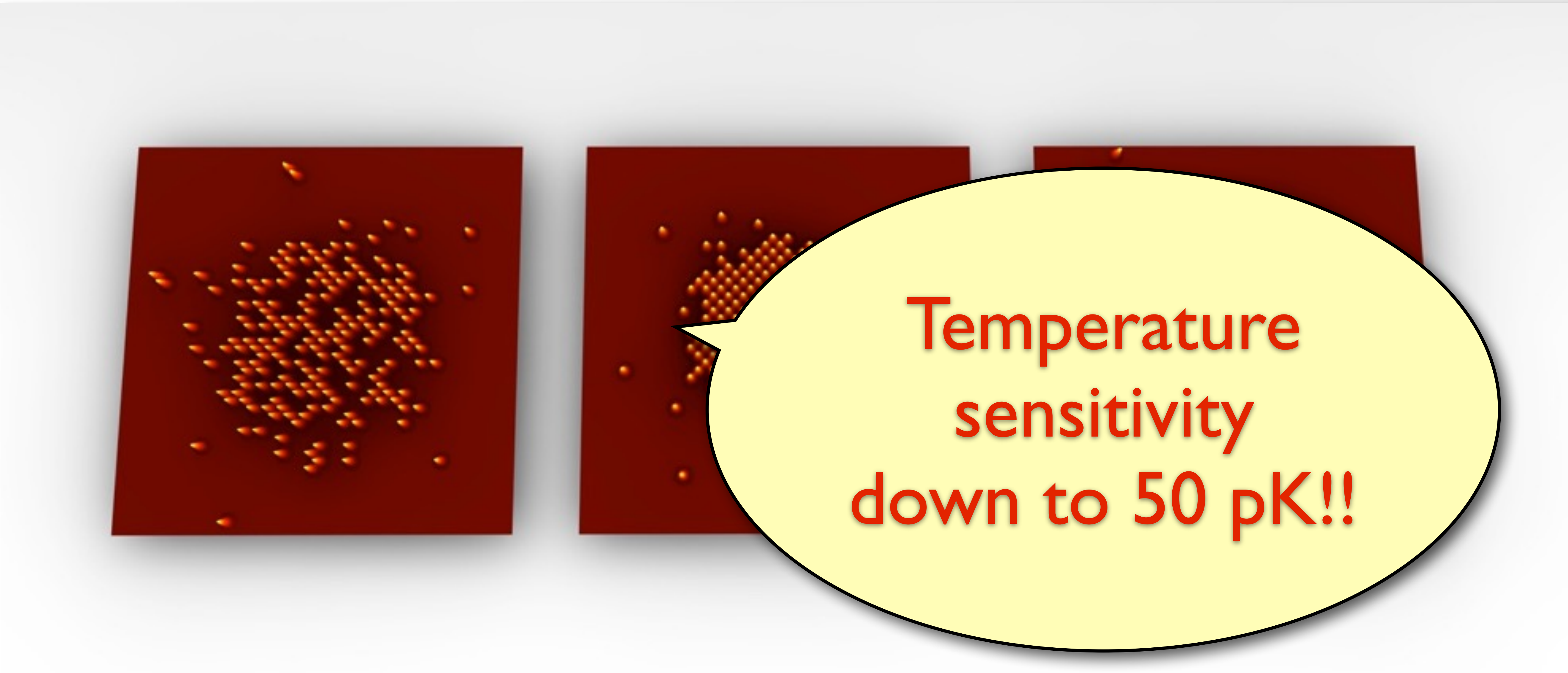

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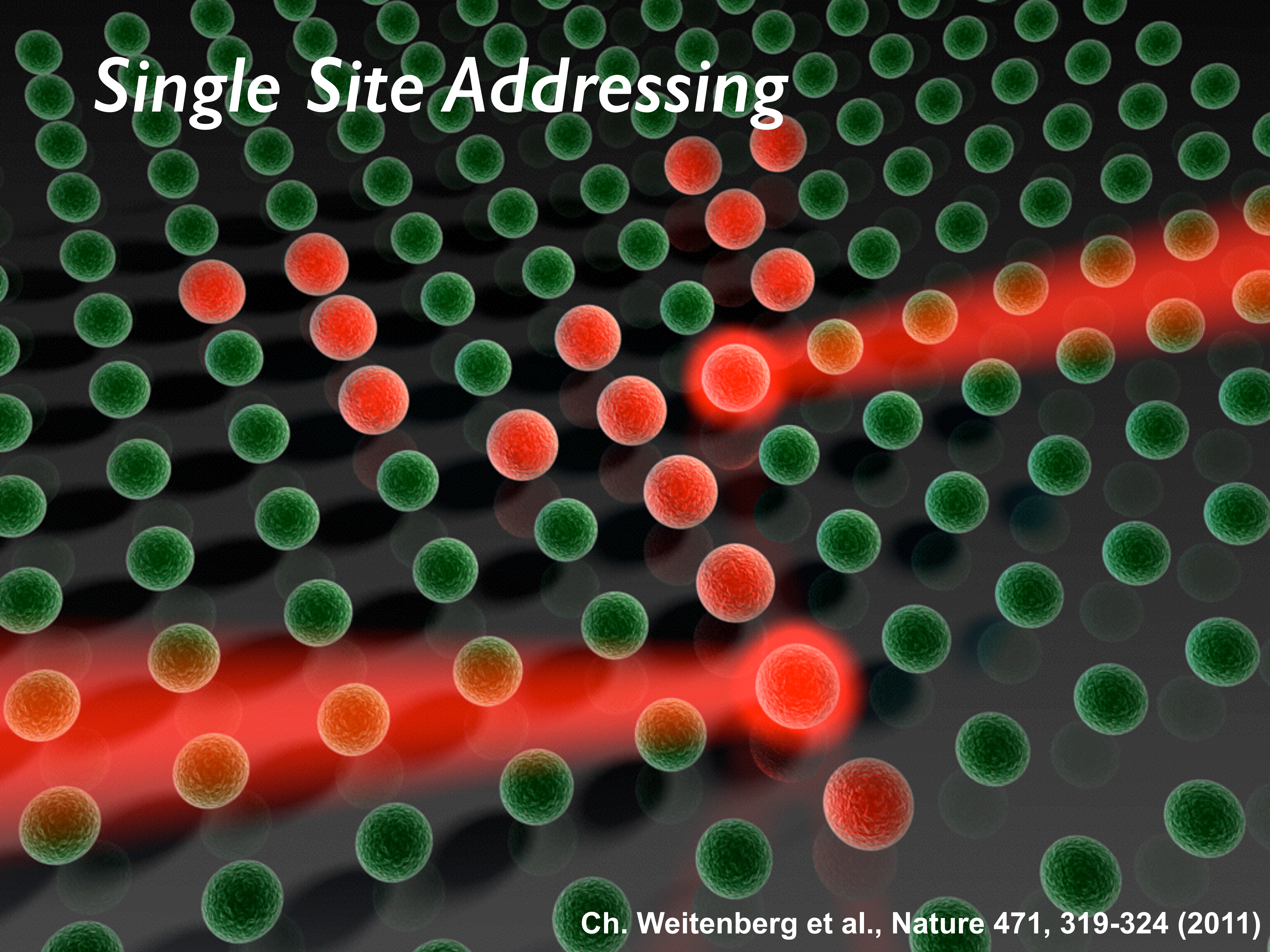
Single Site Addressing



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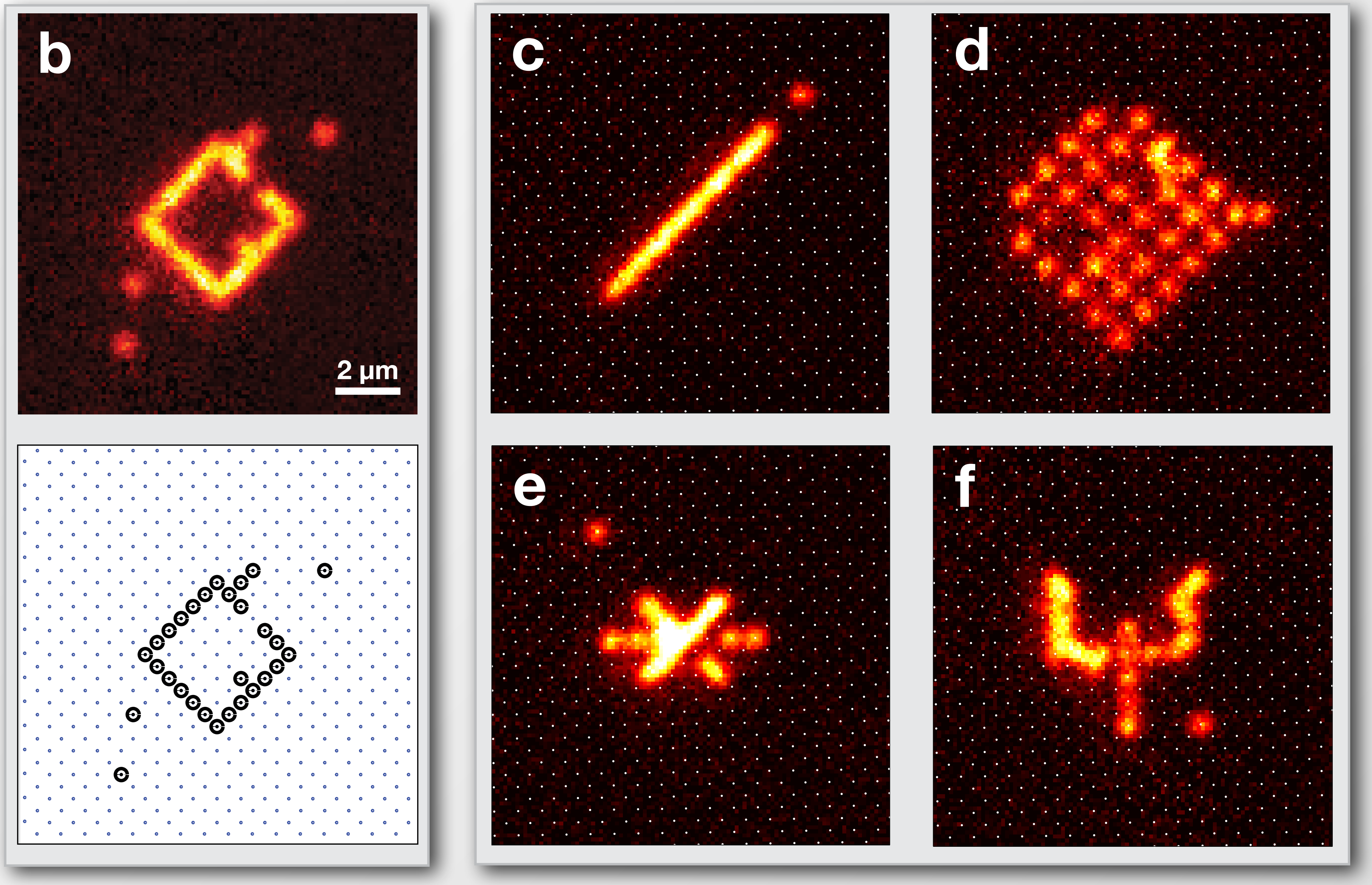
Coherent Spin Flips - Positive Imaging



Subwavelength spatial resolution: 50 nm

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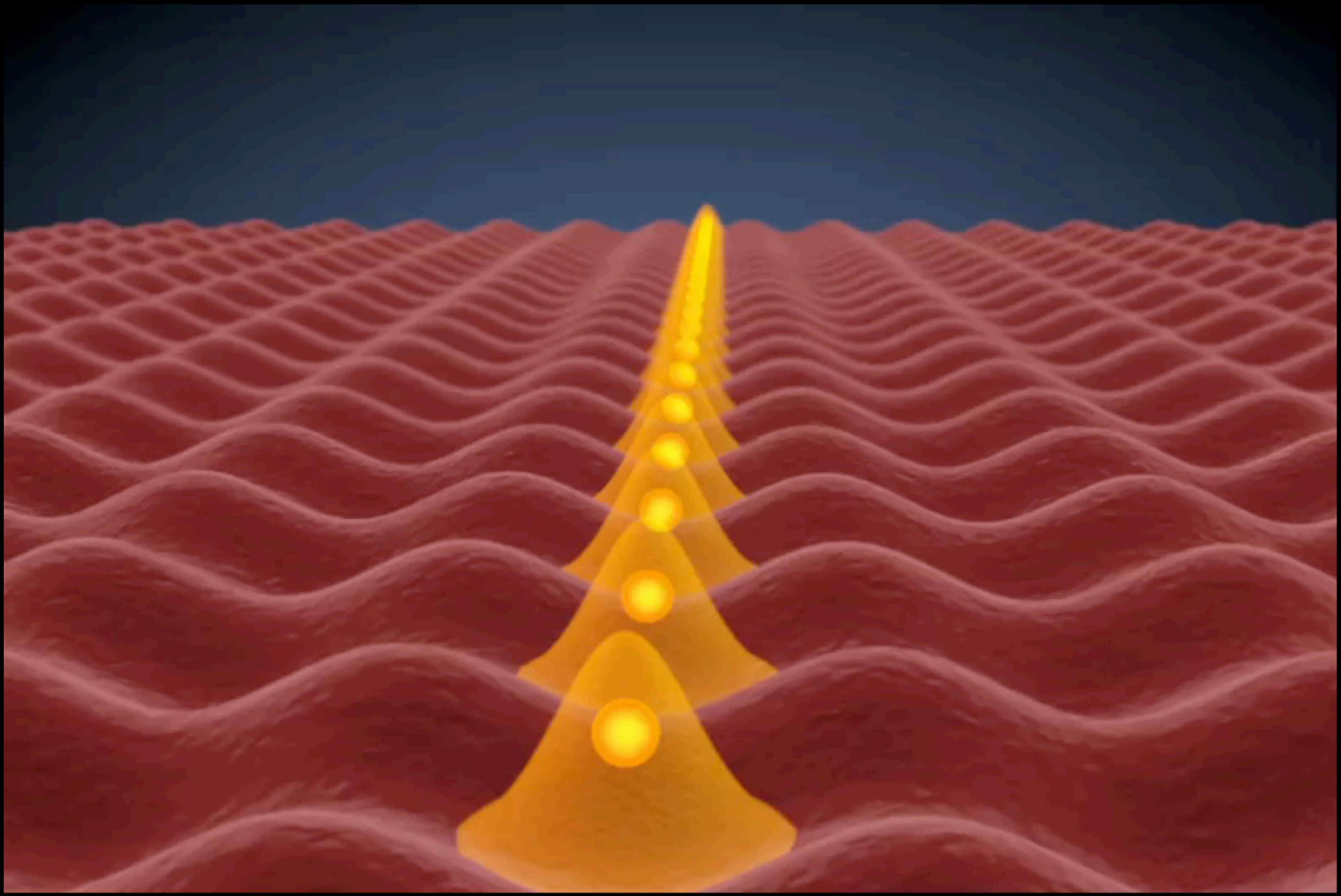
Single Atom Tunneling



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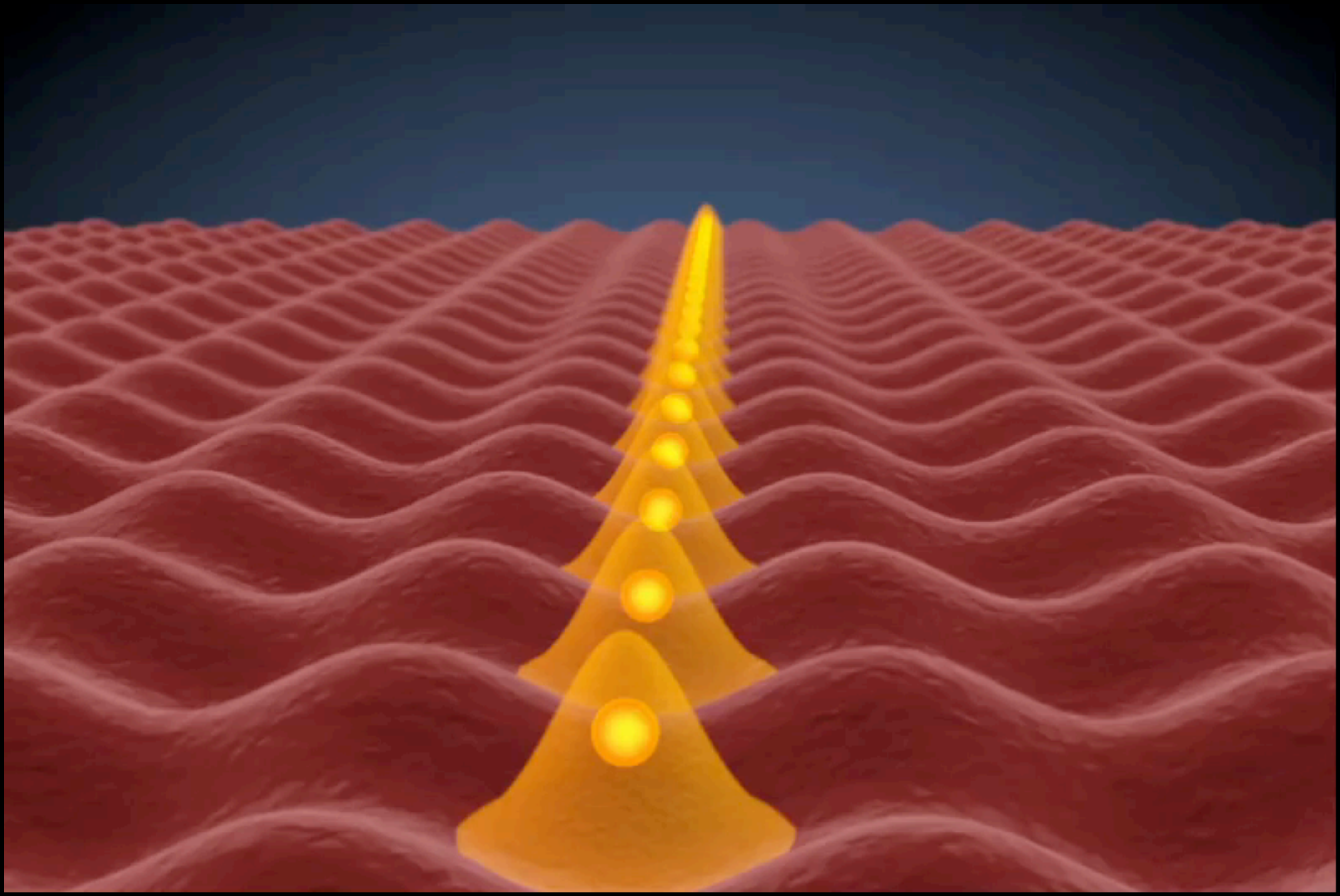

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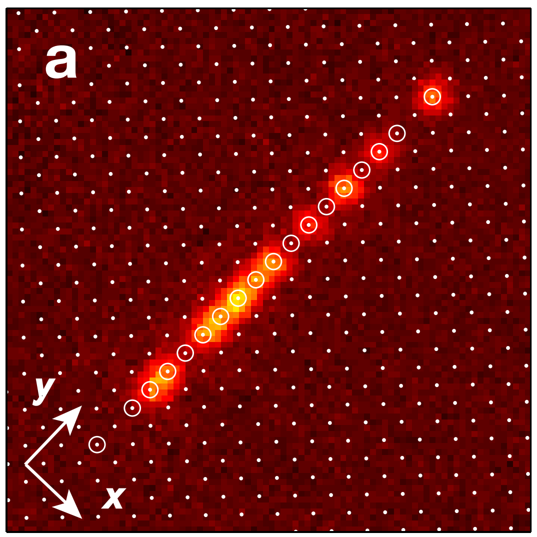

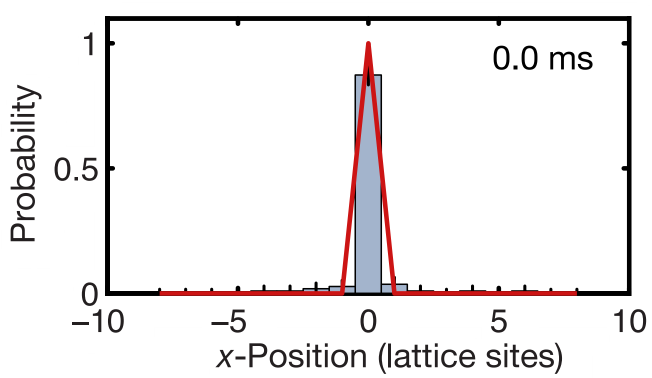

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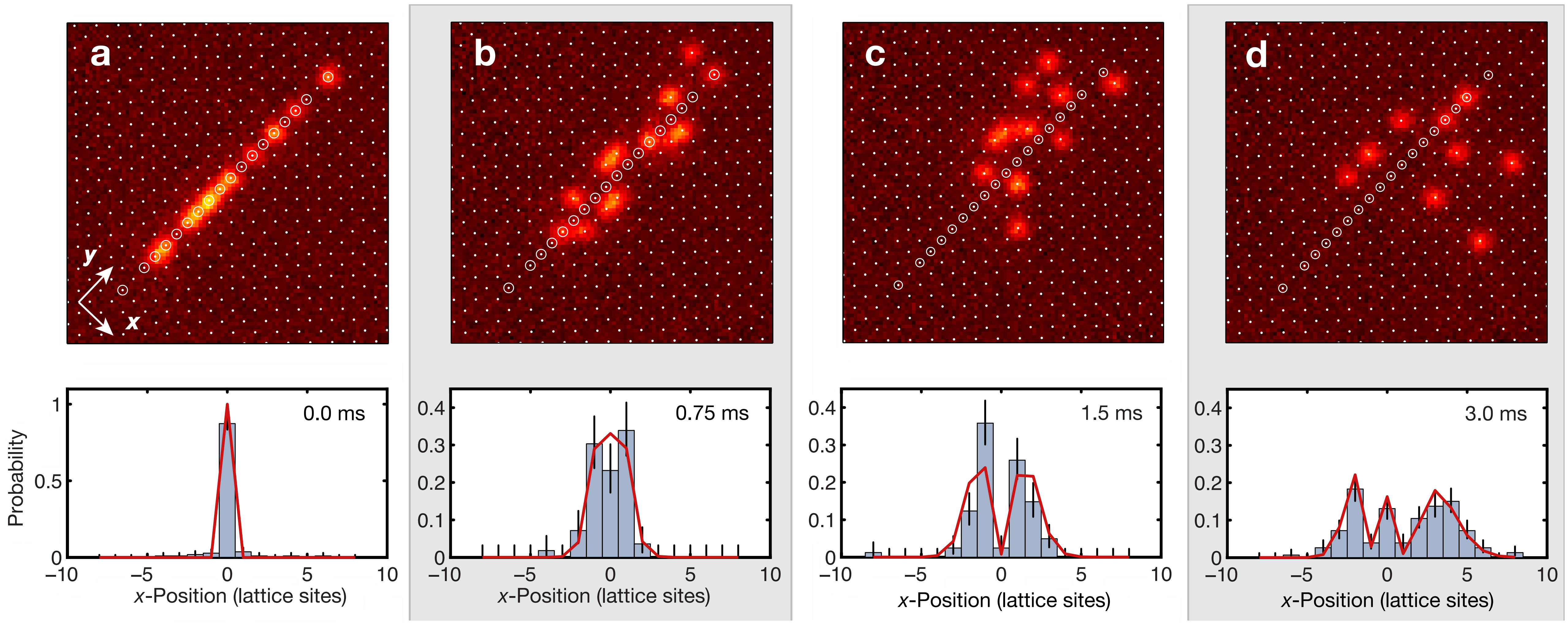

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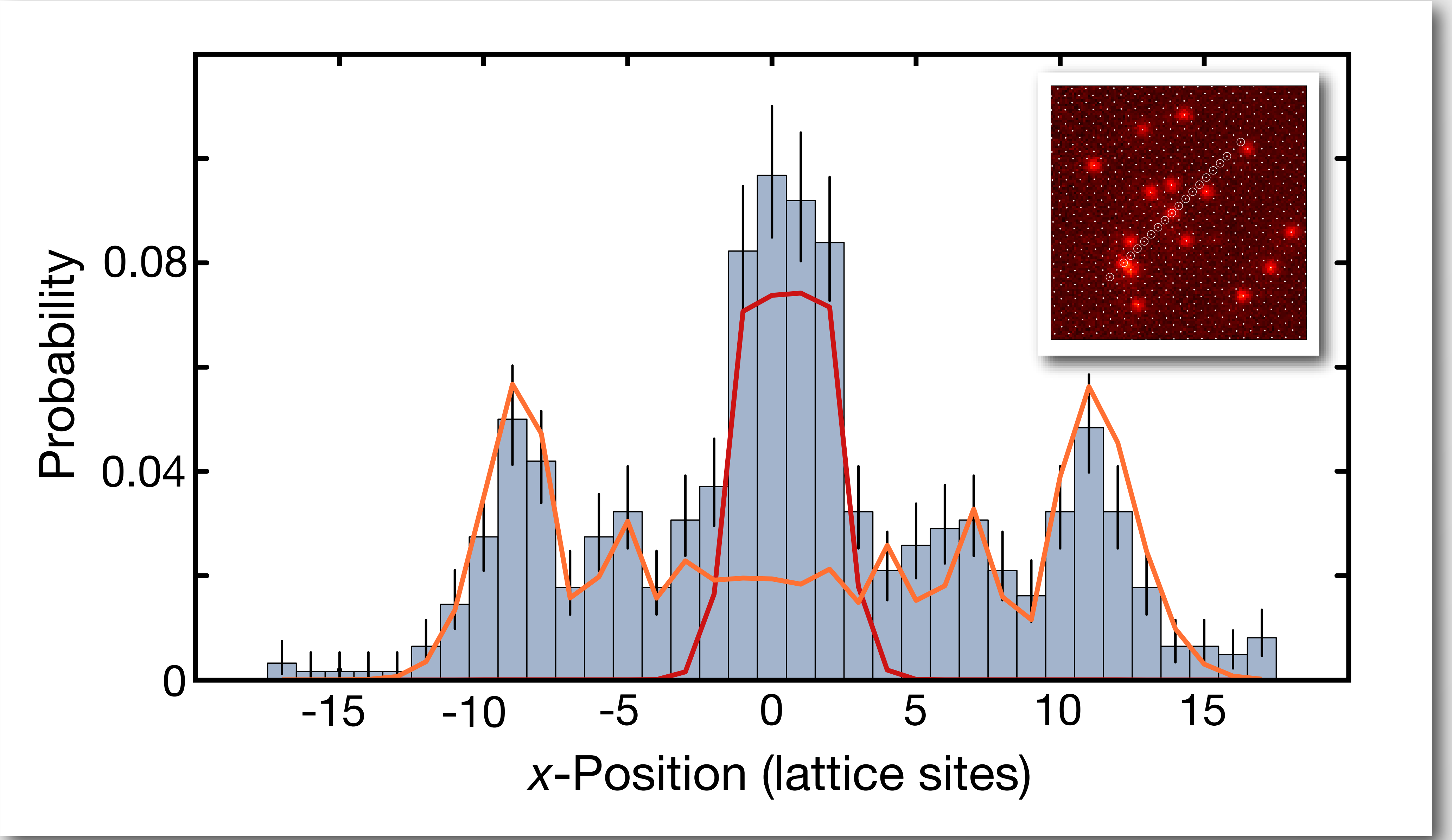
Higher Band Tunneling



Excellent agreement with simulation.

Interesting extension: Quantum walks of correlated atoms/spins...

Arbitrary Light Patterns

Digital Mirror Device
(DMD)

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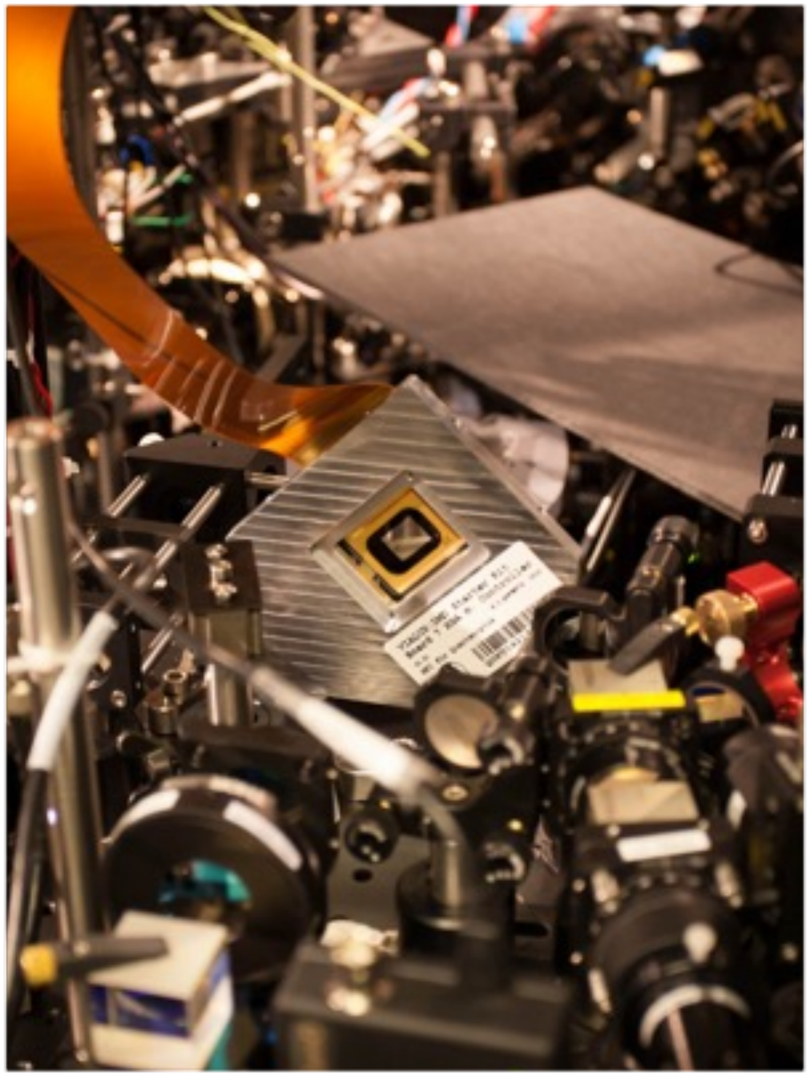

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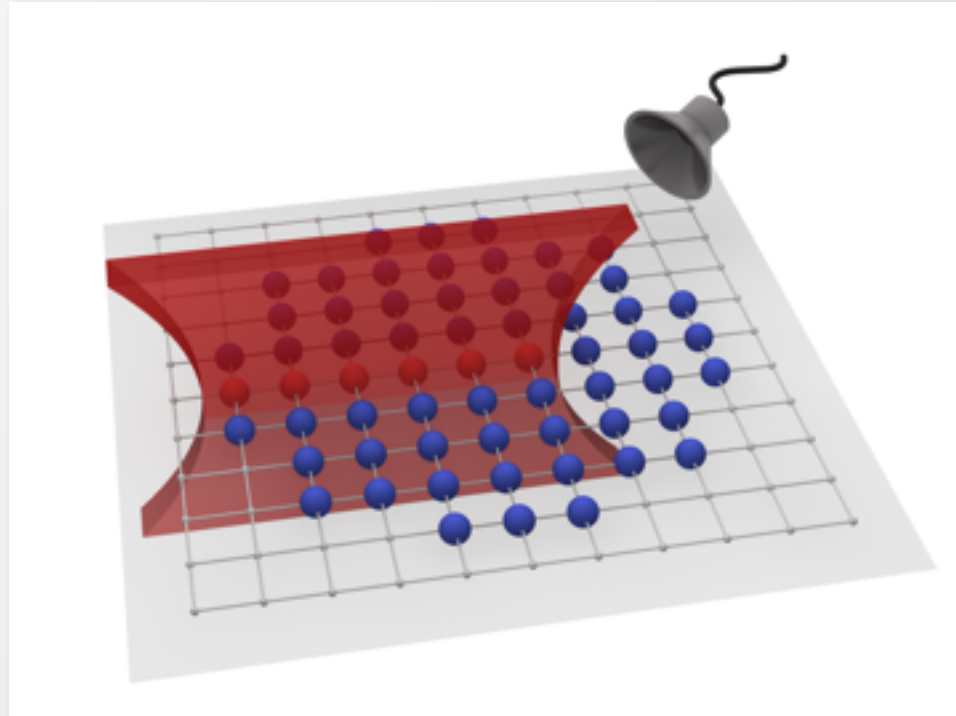

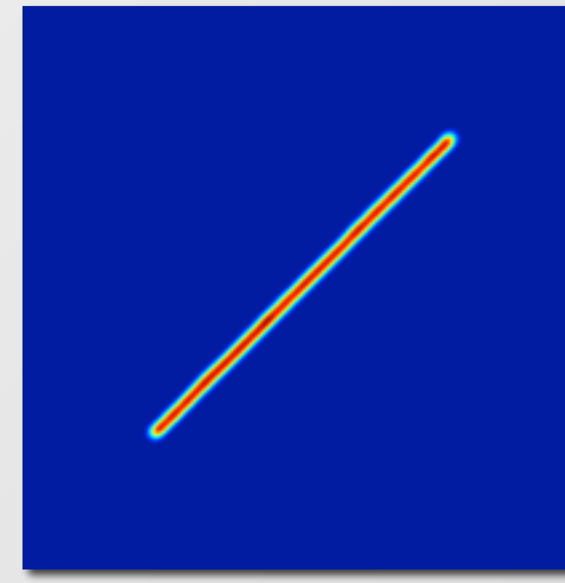

Measured Light Pattern

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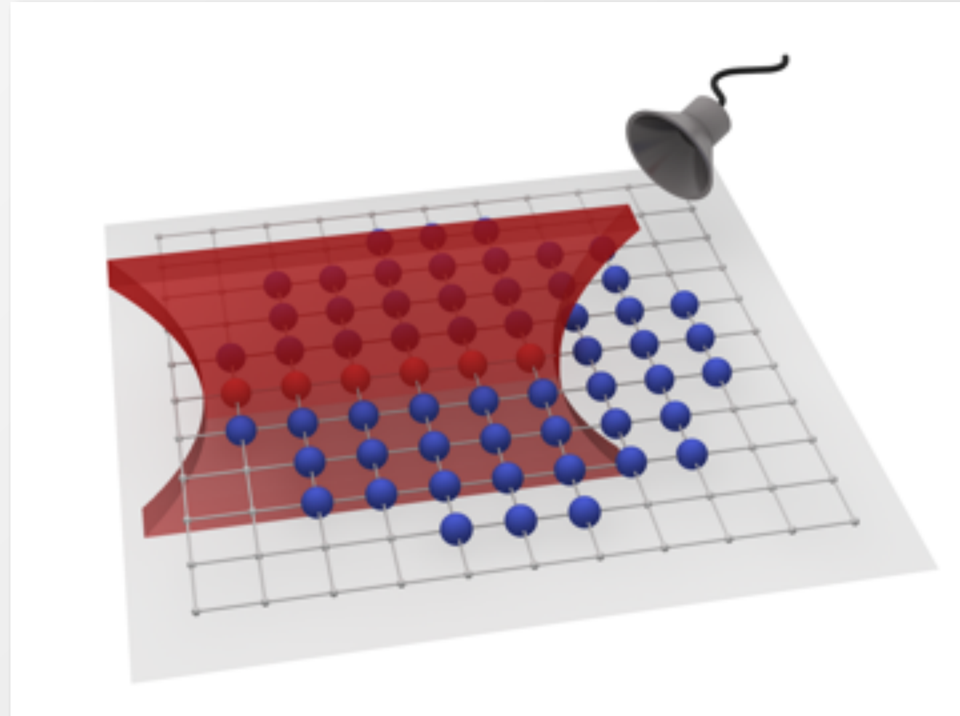

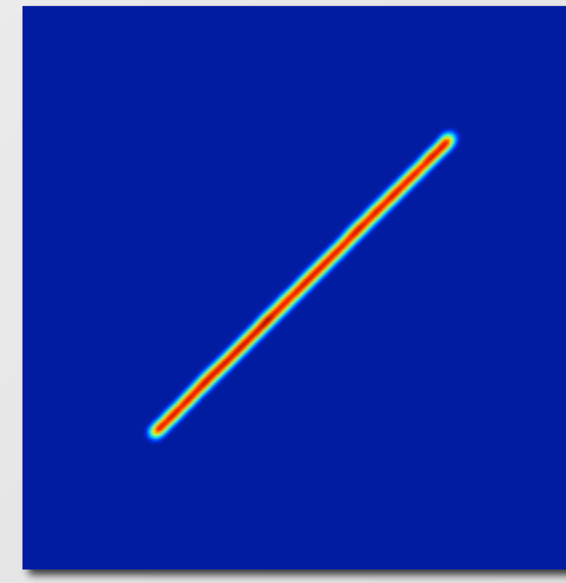

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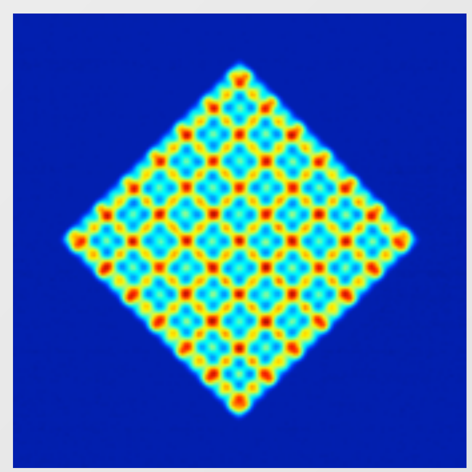

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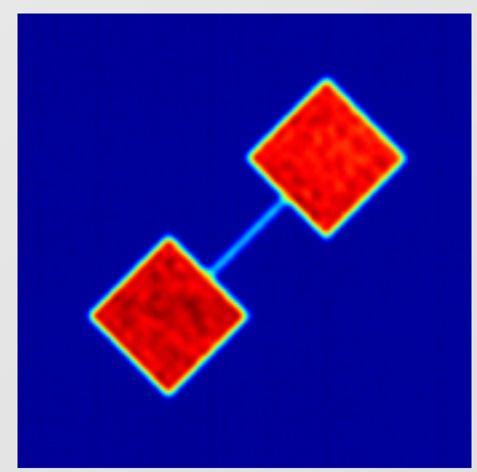

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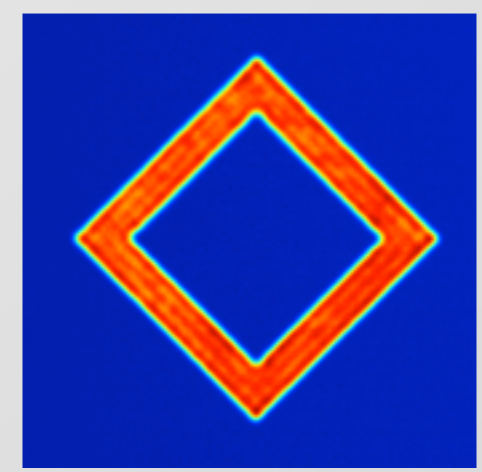
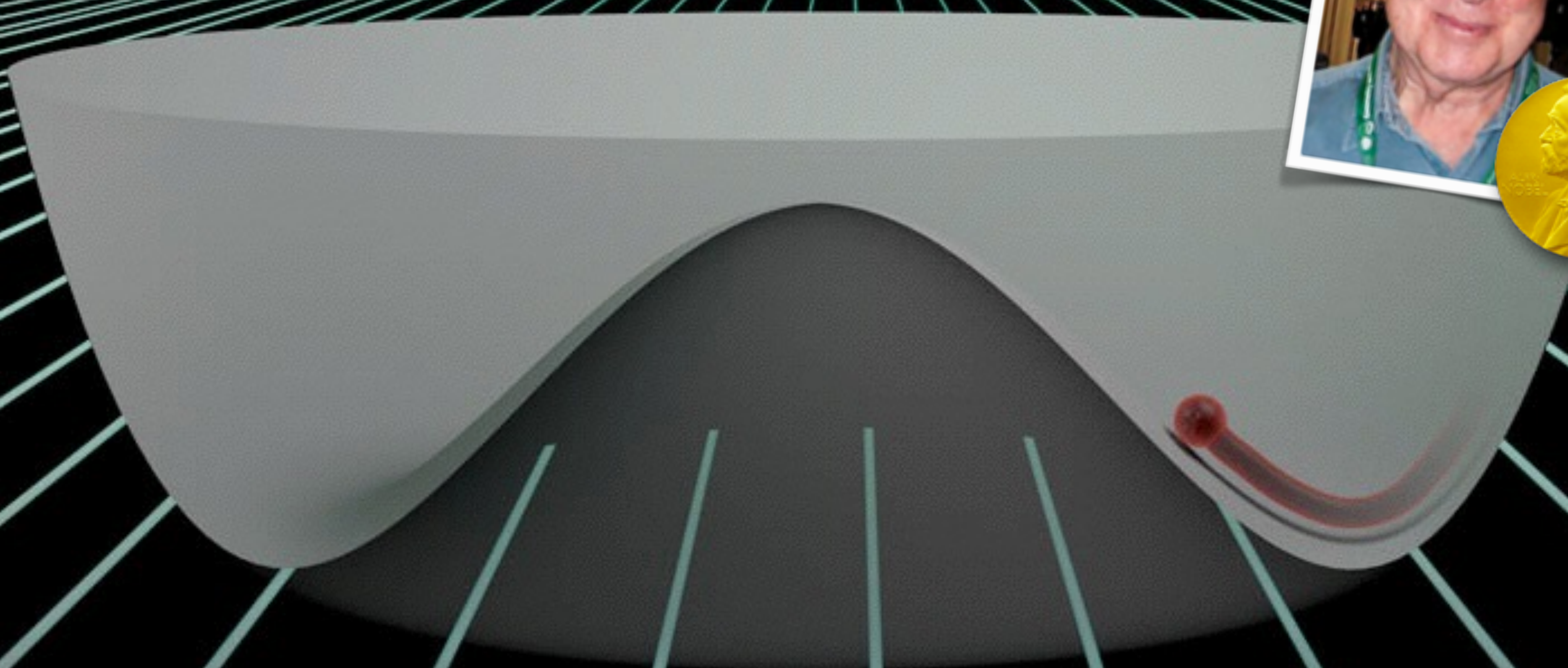


Box Potentials

Almost Arbitrary Light Patterns Possible!

Single Spin Impurity Dynamics, Domain Walls, Quantum Wires, Novel Exotic Lattice Geometries, ...



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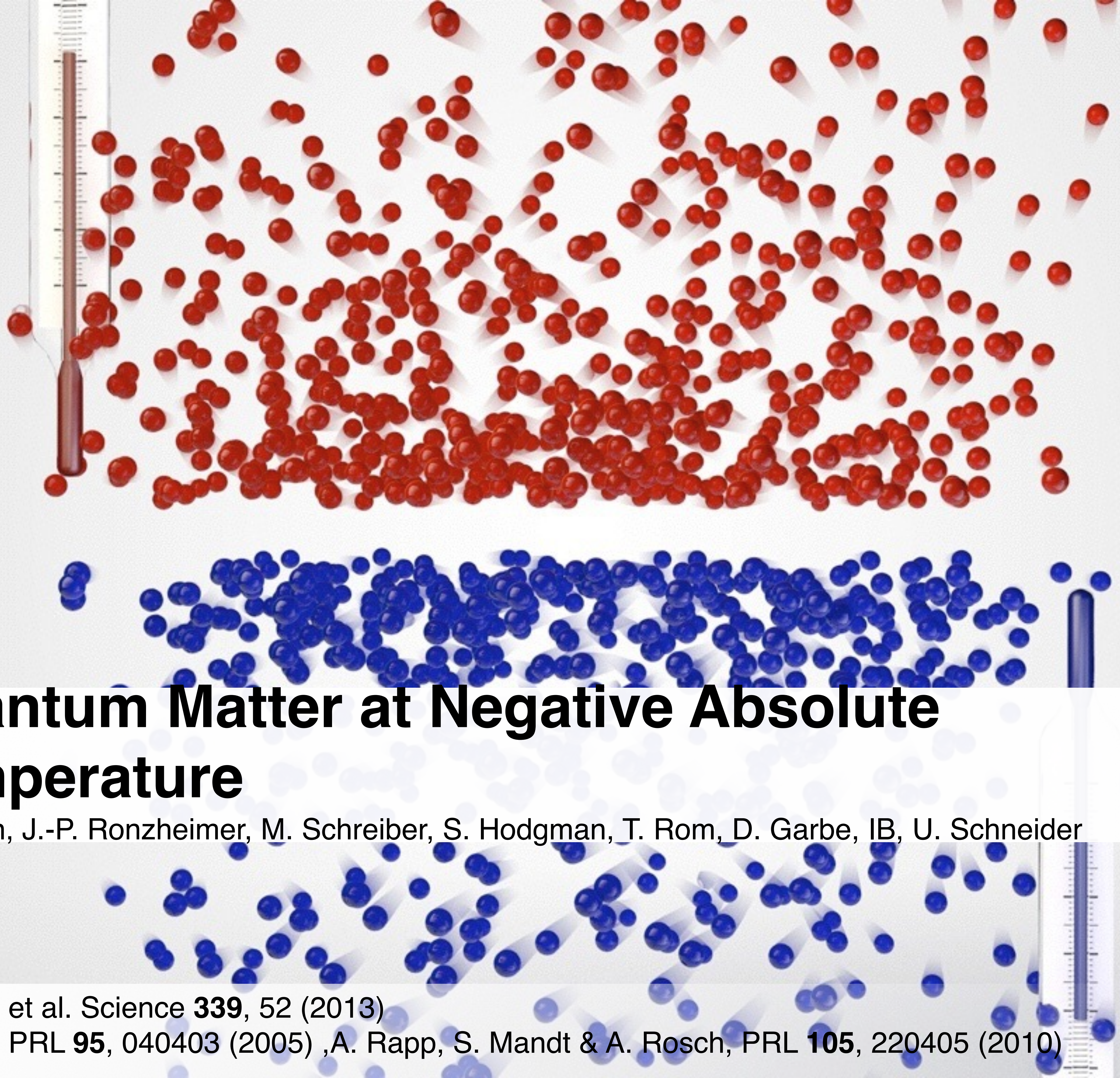

Quantum Matter at Negative Absolute Temperature

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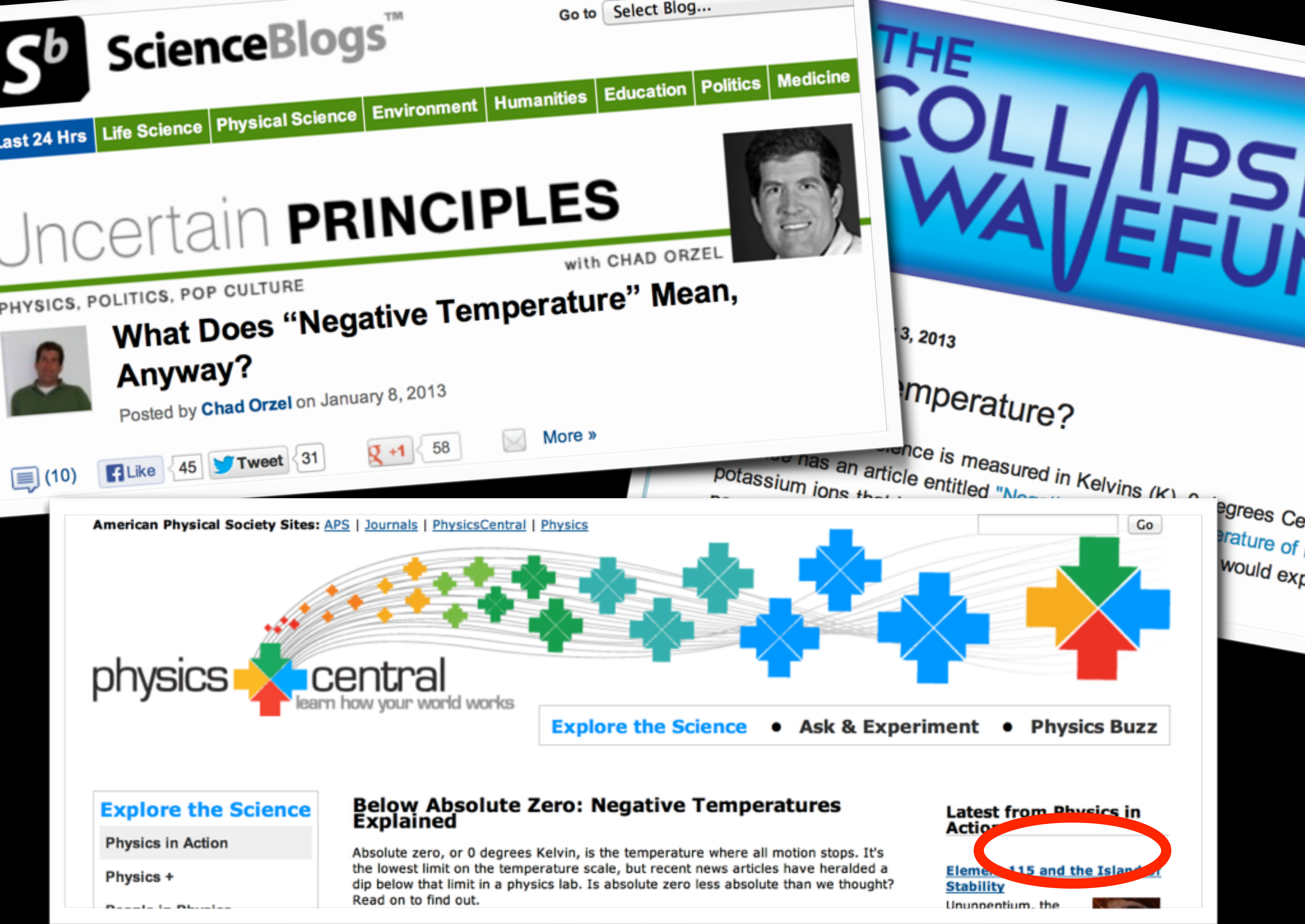
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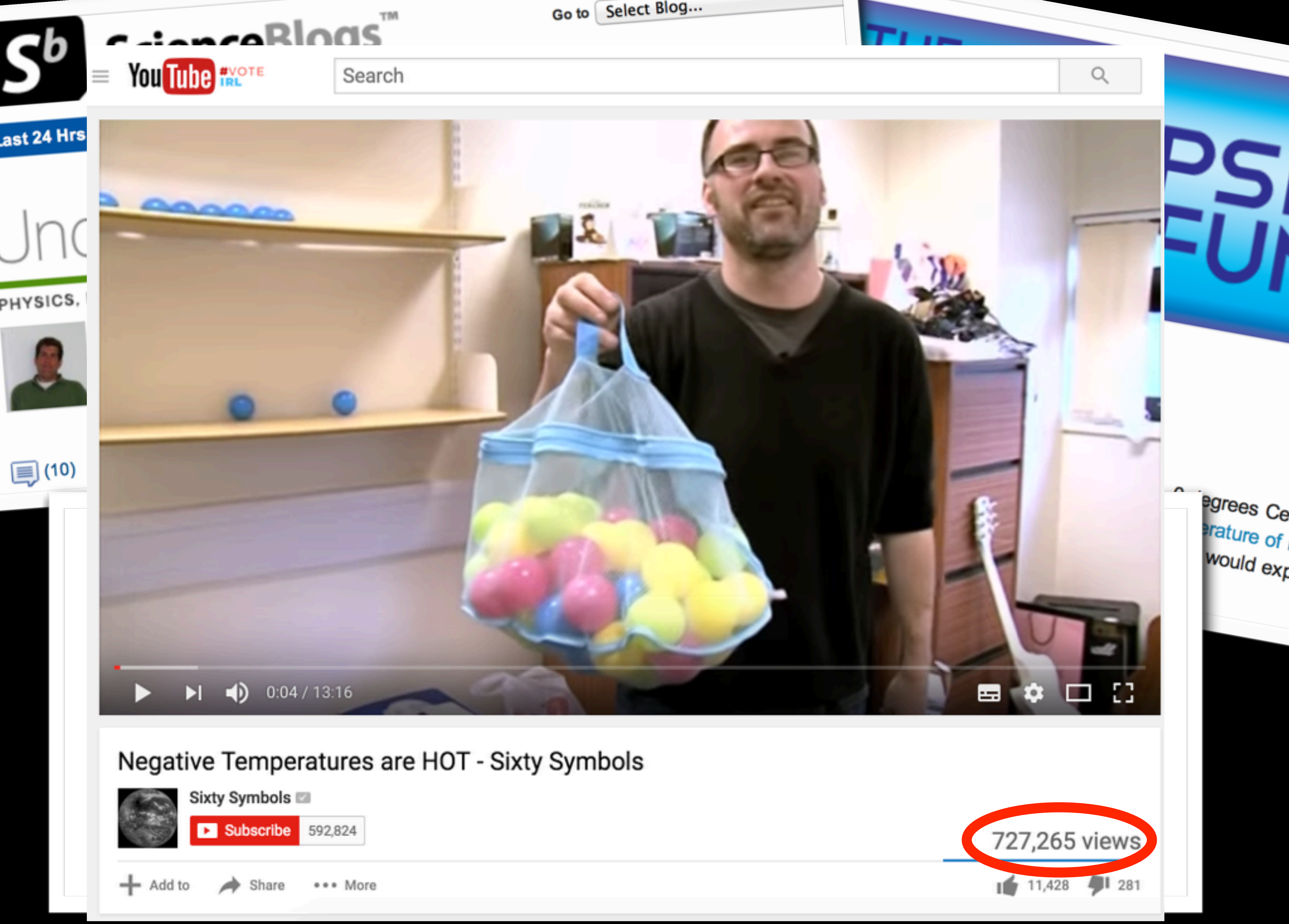

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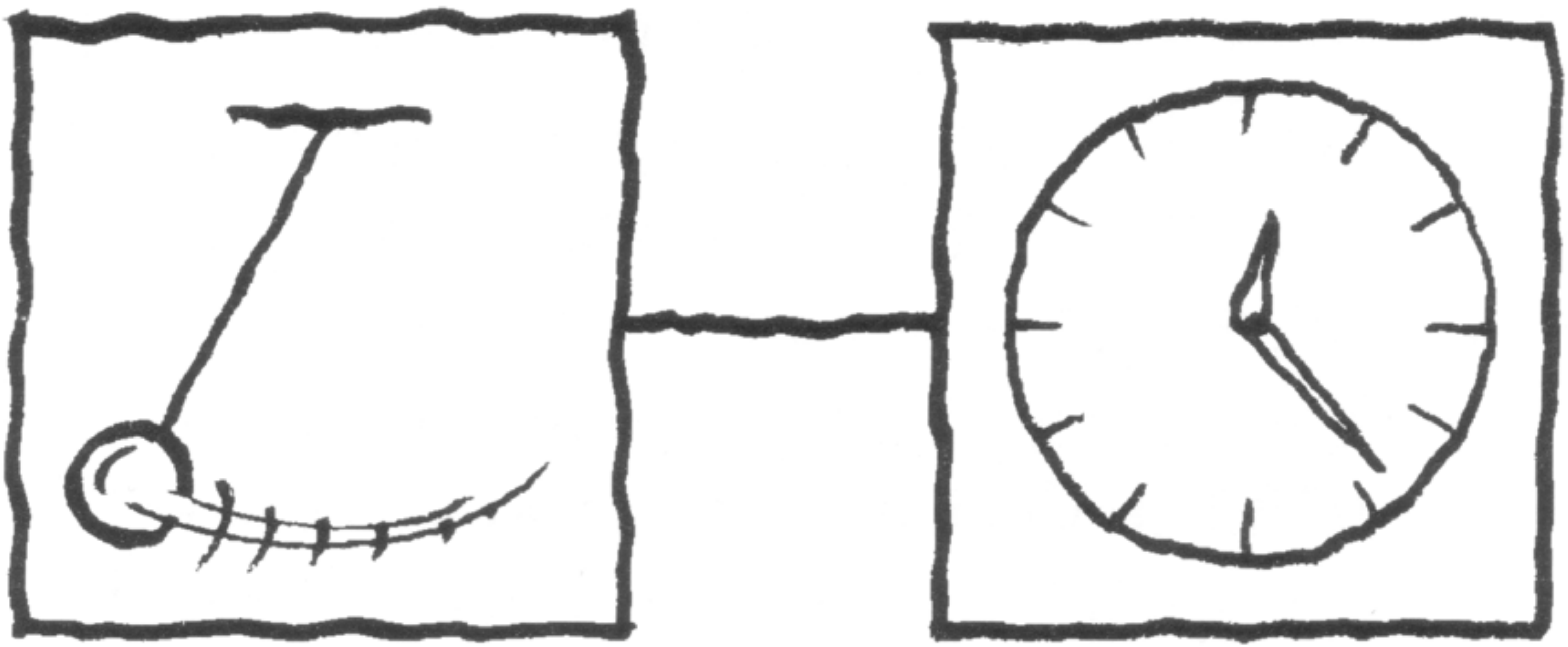

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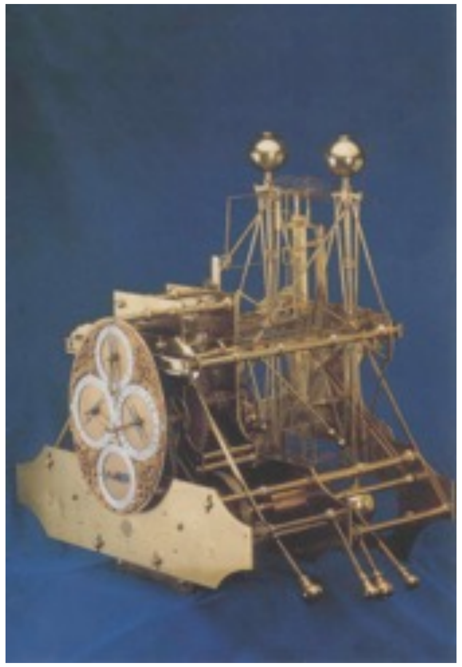

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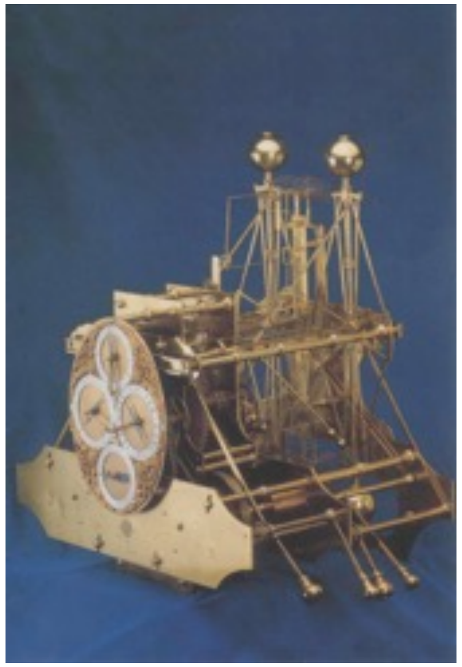

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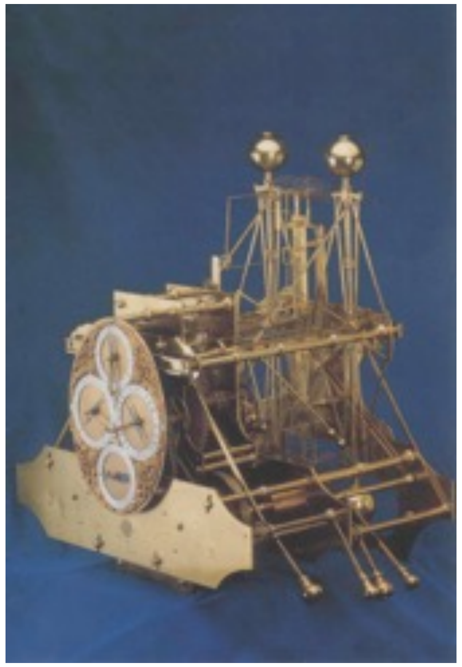
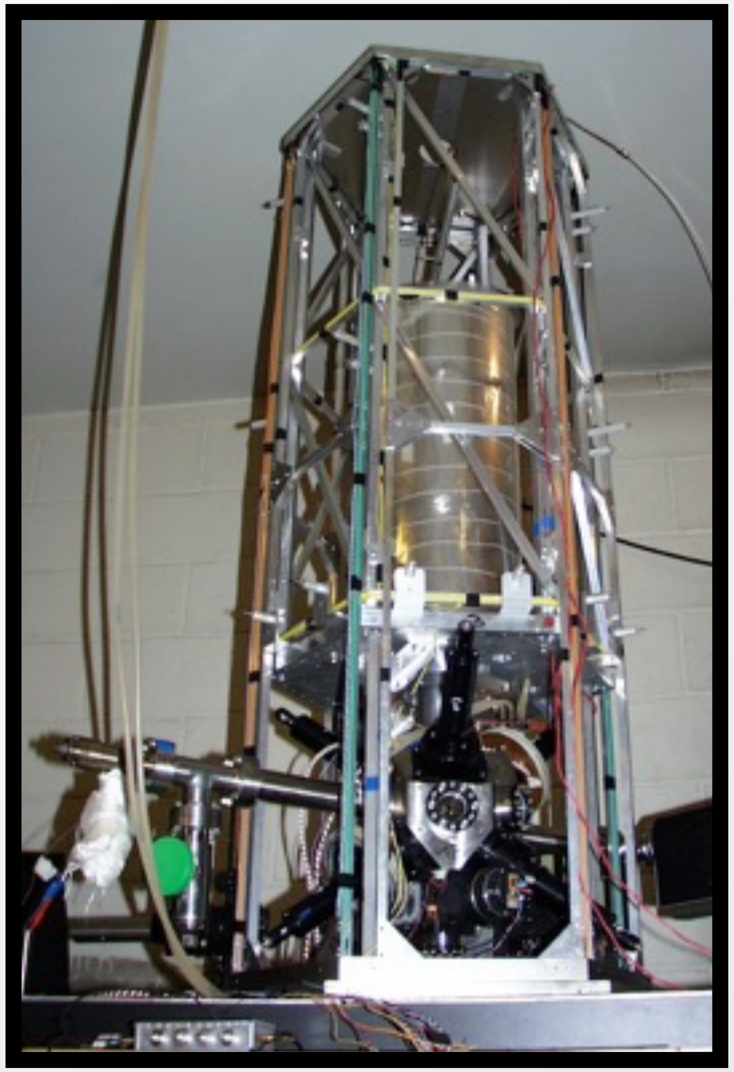


Pendulum clock since 1656
One period per second

Cesium atomic clock since 1955
9.192.631.770 oscillations per second

Atomic Fountain Clocks

8 fountains in operation at SYRTE, PTB, NIST, USNO, Penn St, IEN, ON. 5 with accuracy at 1 10^{-15} . More than 10 under construction.



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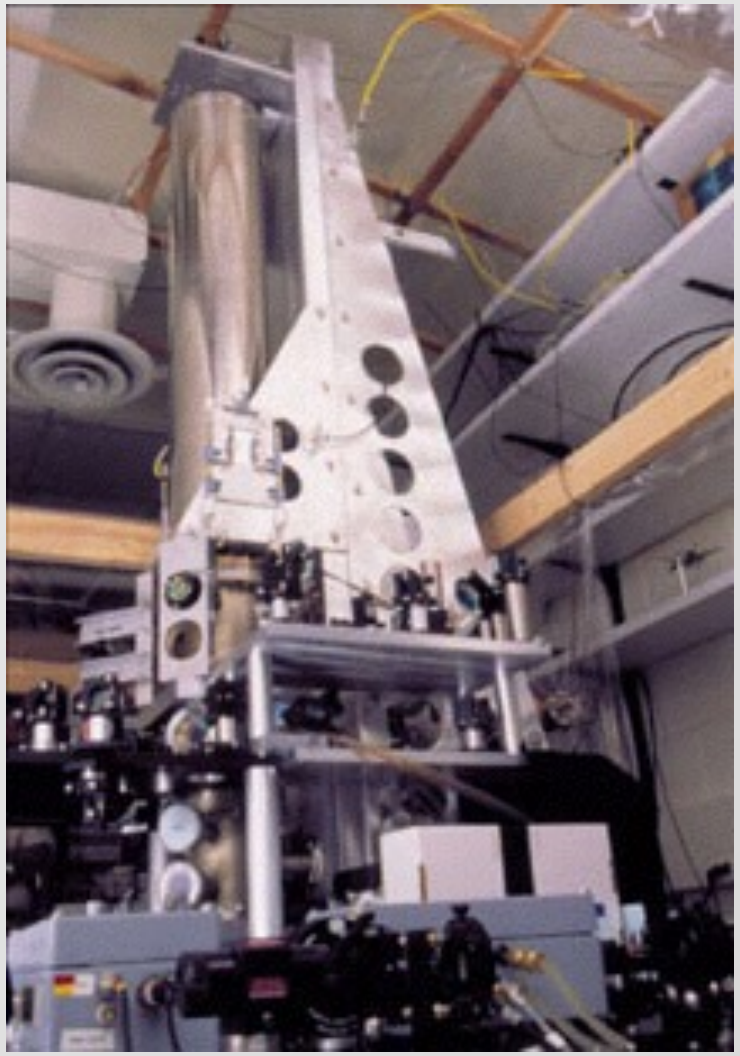
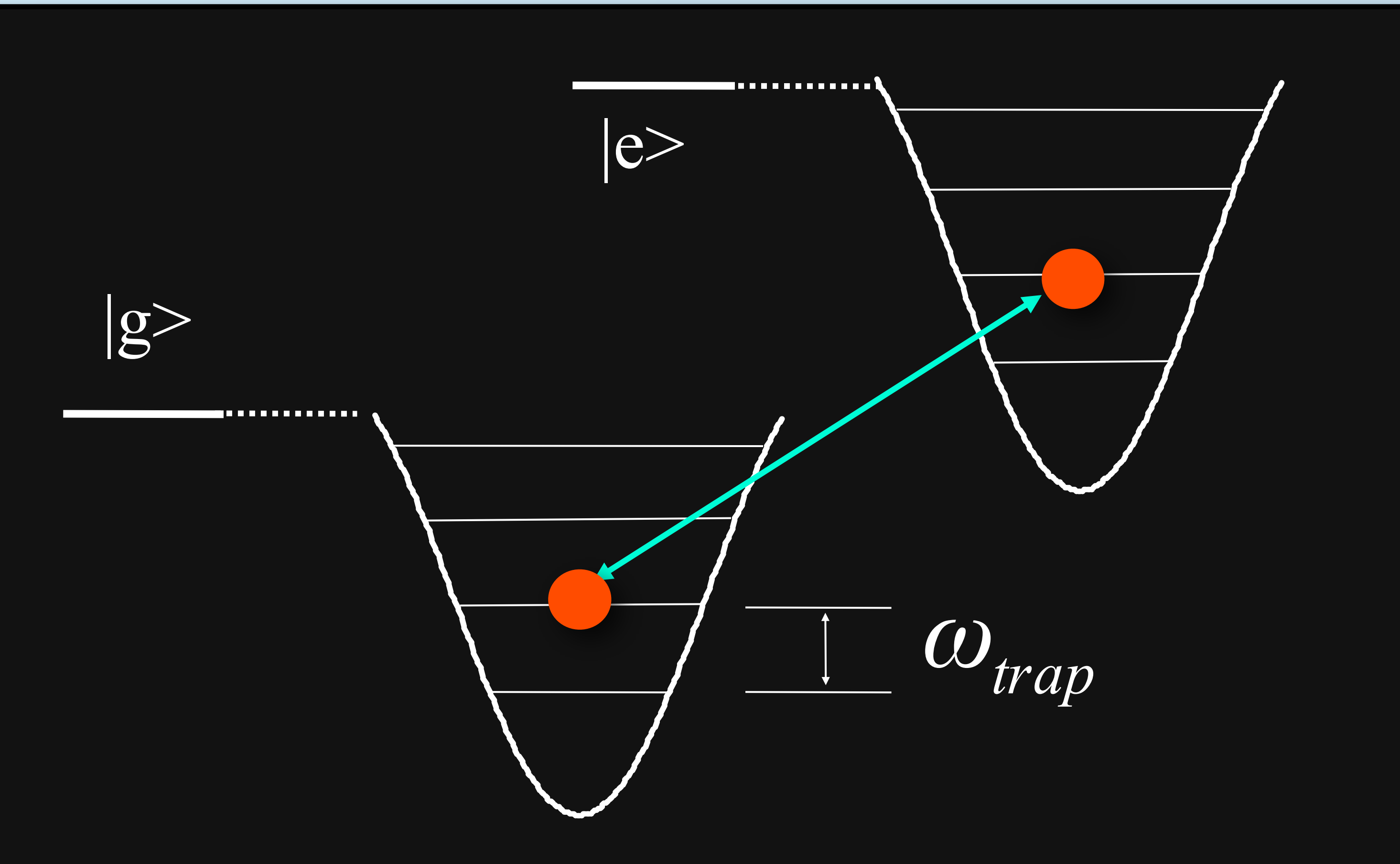
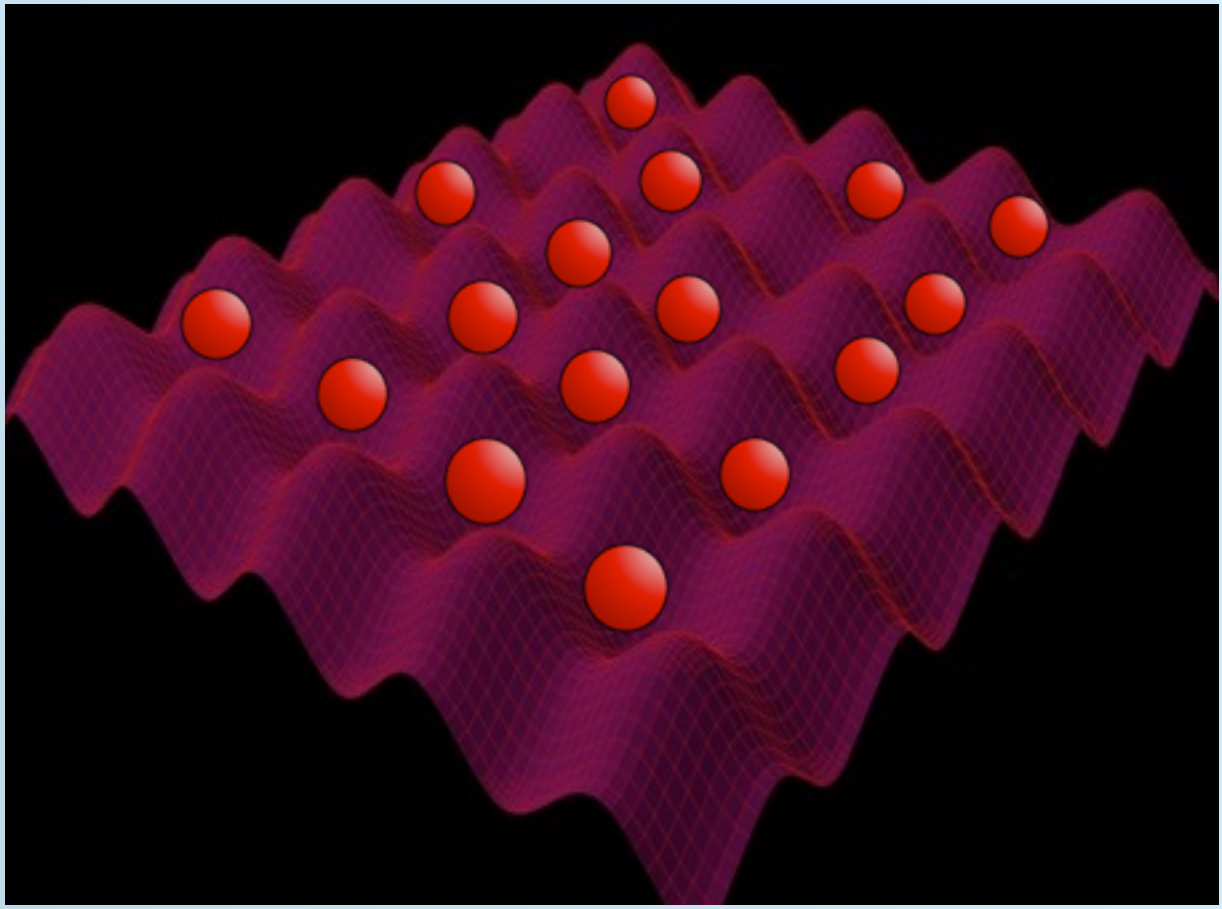
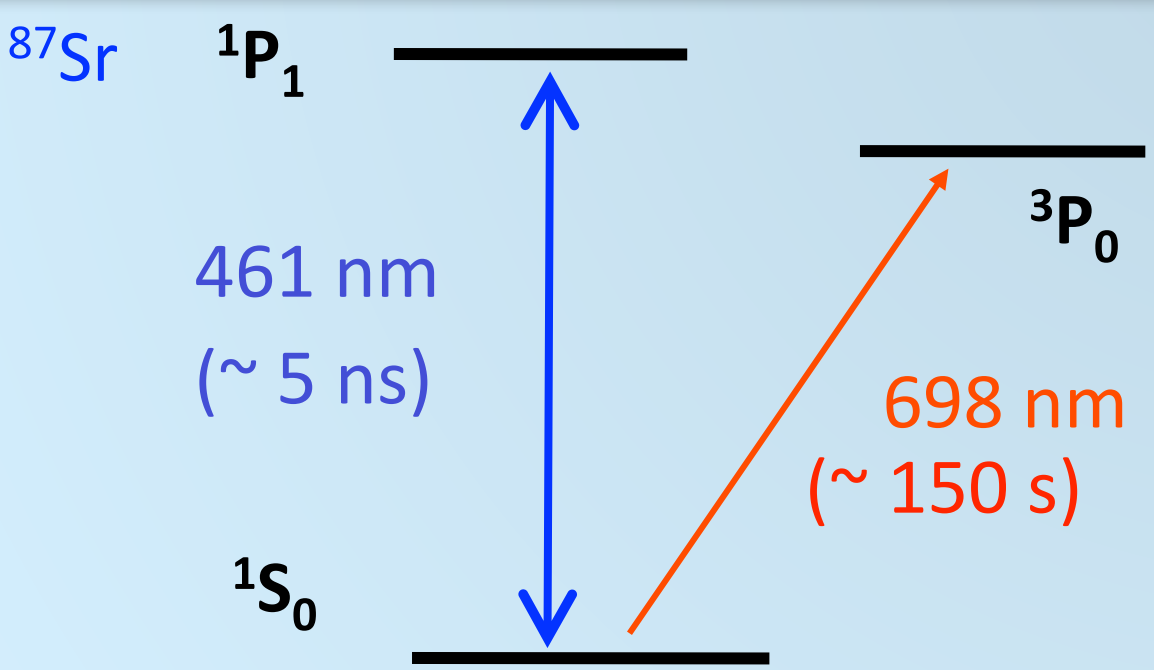


NIST, USA

The best clock: atoms in optical lattices







Quality factor > 10^{17}

Optical dipole moment

~ 10^{-4} – 10^{-5} Debye

Boyd et al., Science **314**, 1430 (2006).

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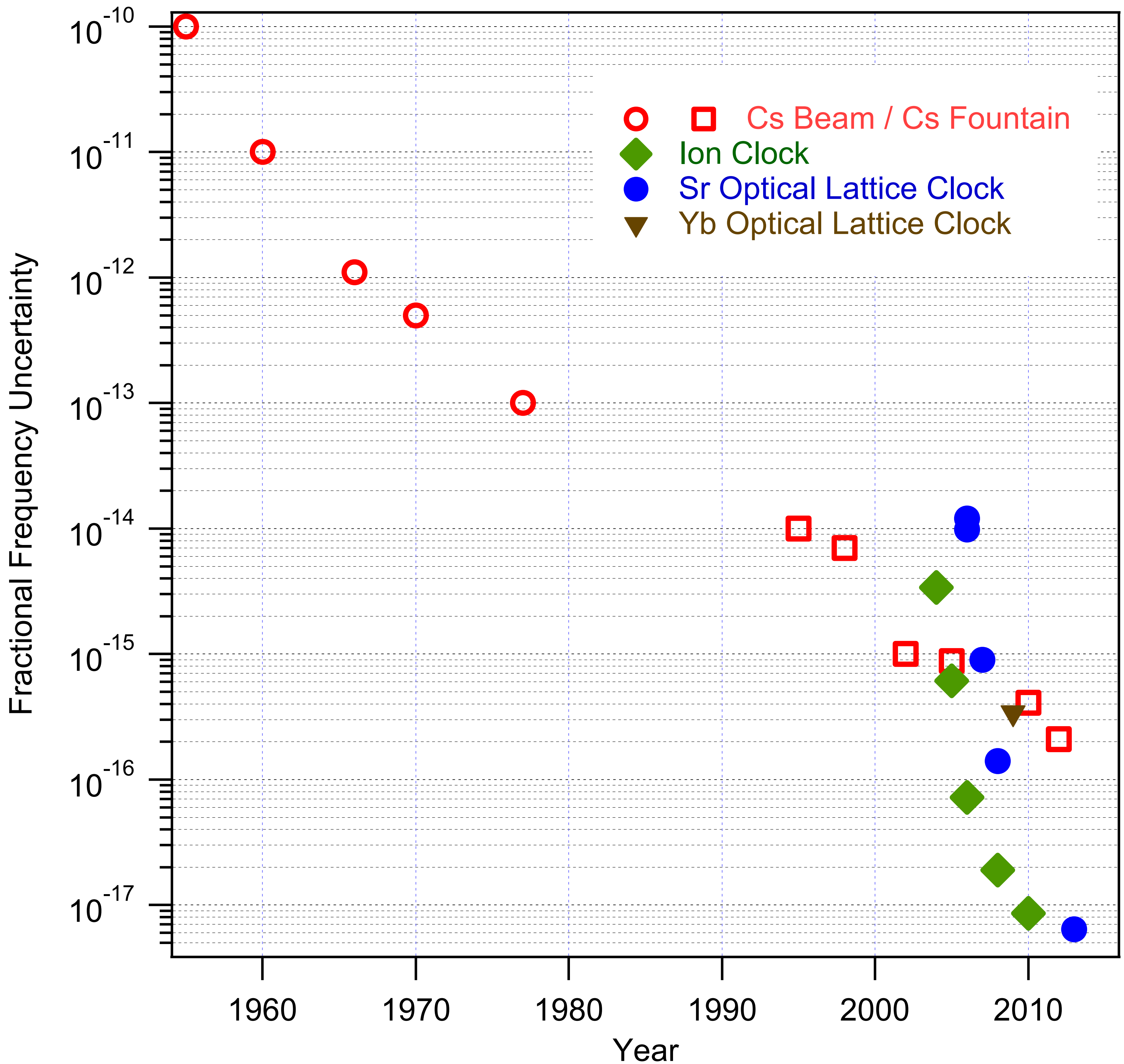

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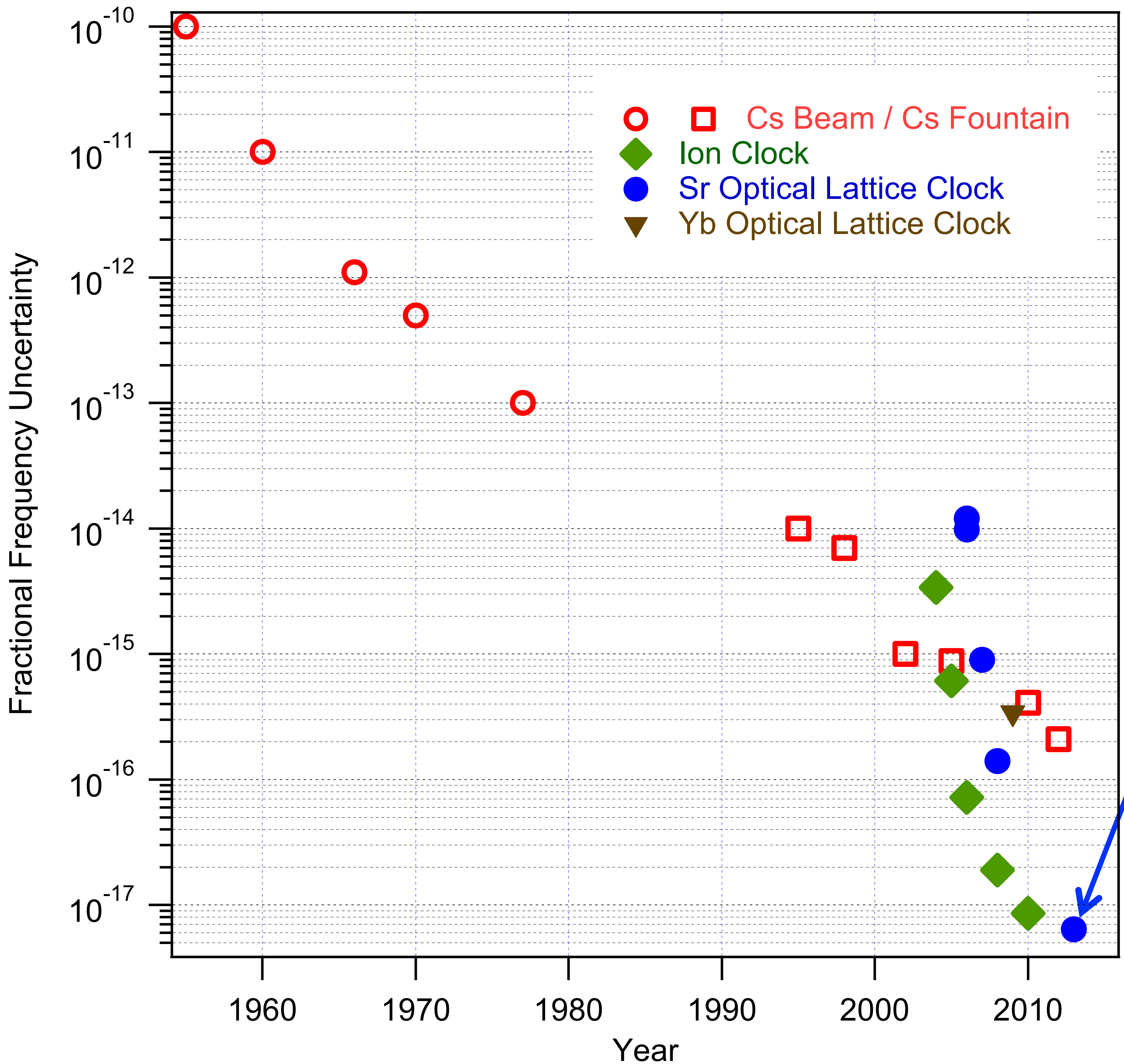

Bloom *et al.*, arXiv:1309.1137

Sr: lowest uncertainty in all atomic clocks: 6.4×10^{-18}

Achieving this x 100 faster than ion clocks

Accuracy

The inaccuracy of such a clock corresponds to 1s over the entire lifetime of the universe!

Outlook

- Search for New Phases of Matter
- Extremely Strong Magnetic Field Physics
- Novel Quantum Magnets
- Controlled Quasiparticle Manipulations
- Non-Equilibrium Dynamics (Universality?)
- Thermalization in Isolated Quantum Systems
- Entanglement Measures in Dynamics
- Supersolids
- Cosmology - Black Hole Models?
- High Energy Physics/String Theory
- New clocks/Navigation

Quantitative testbeds for theory!

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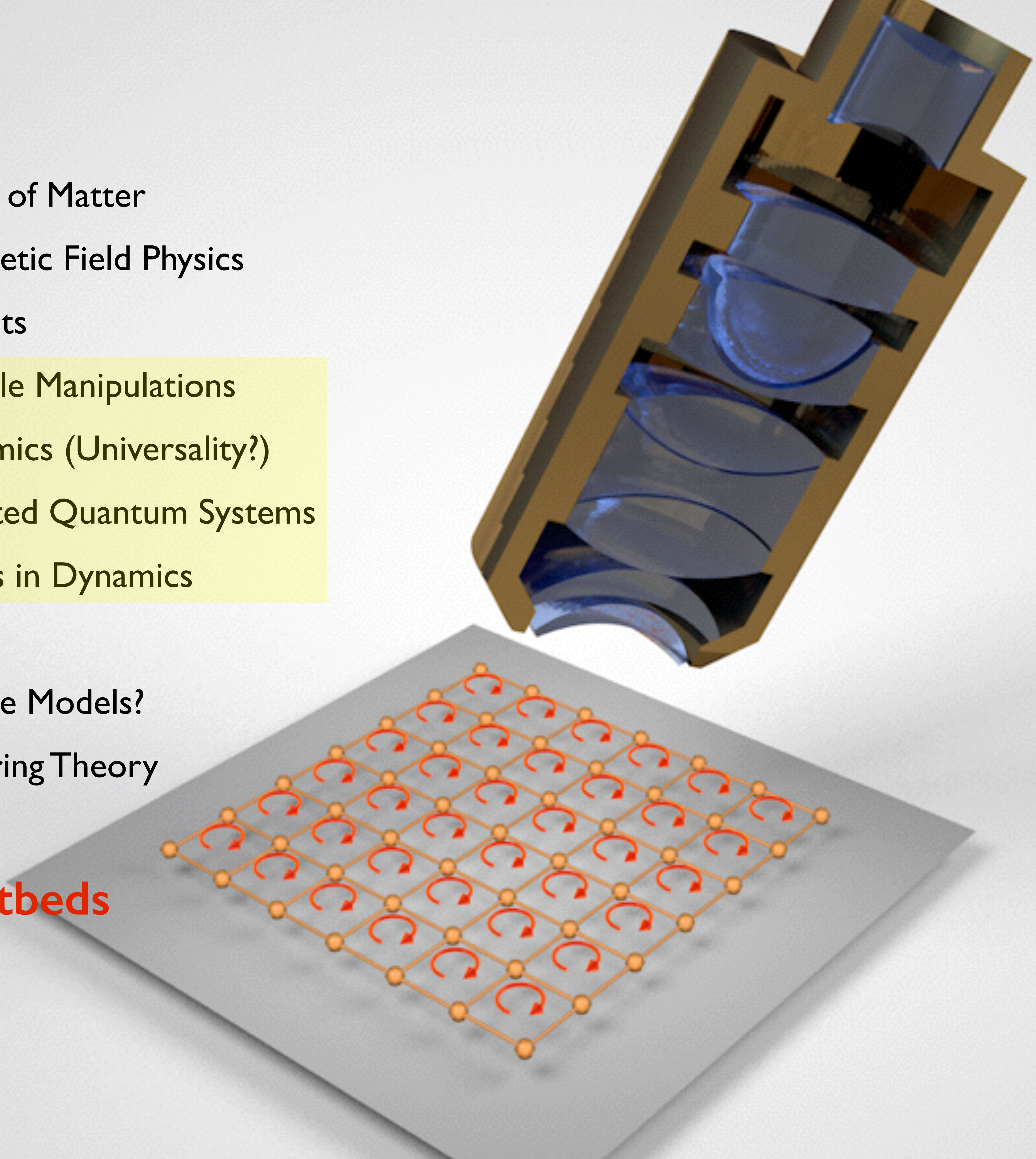

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