

# Quantum Many-Body Physics with Multimode Cavity QED

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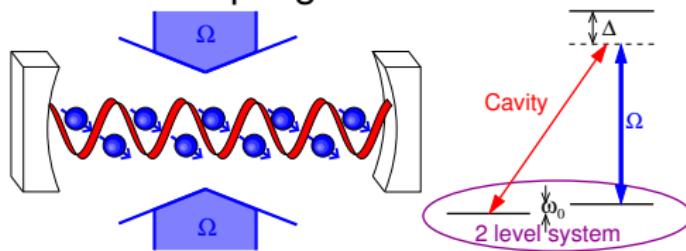


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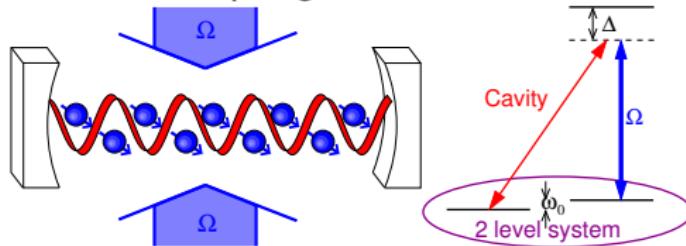
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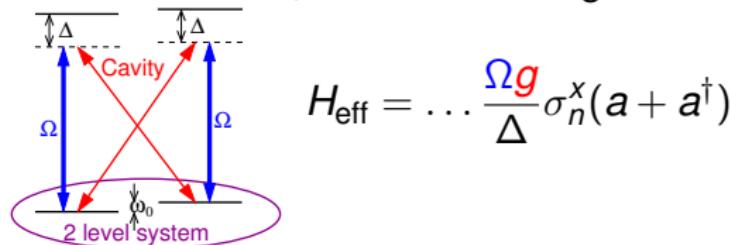
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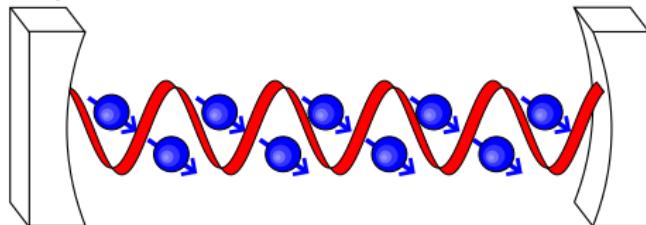
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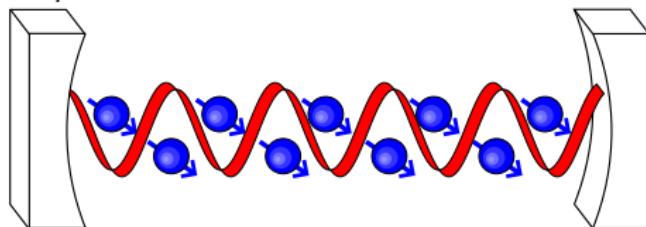


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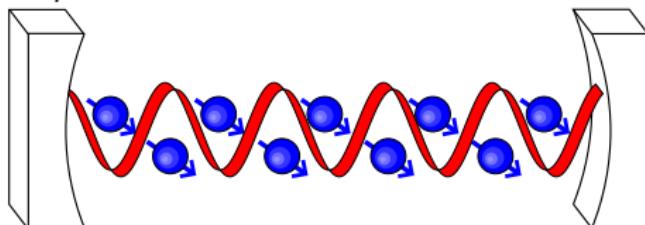
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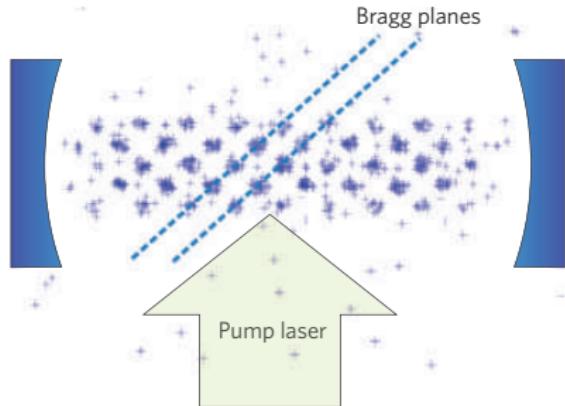
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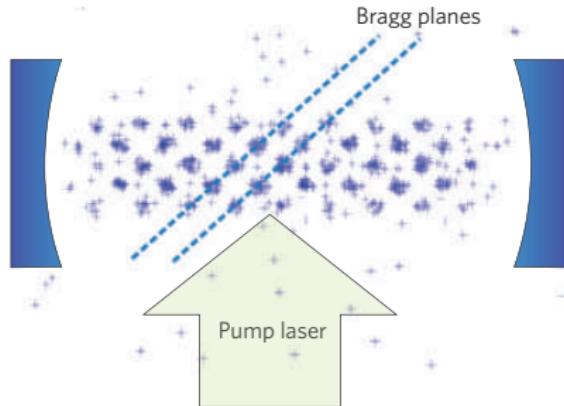


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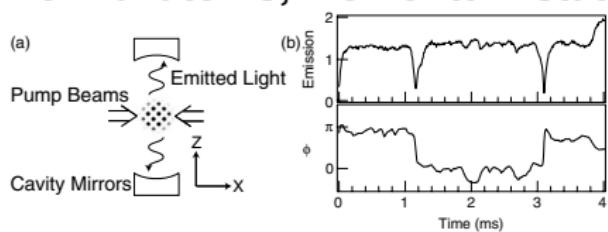
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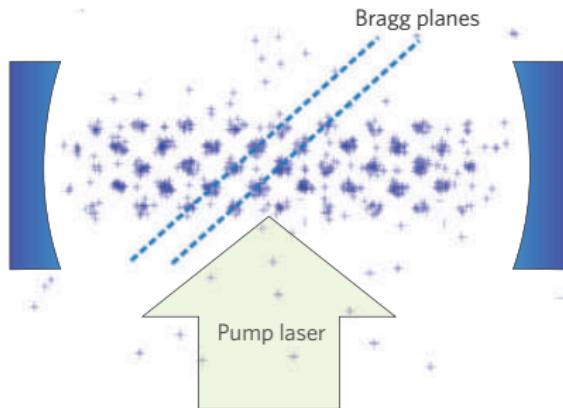
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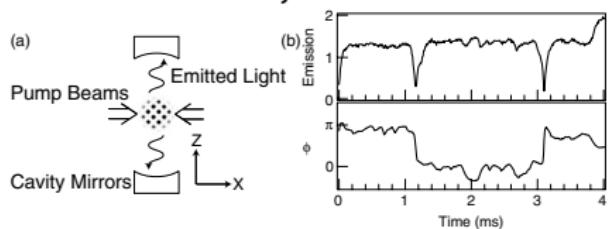
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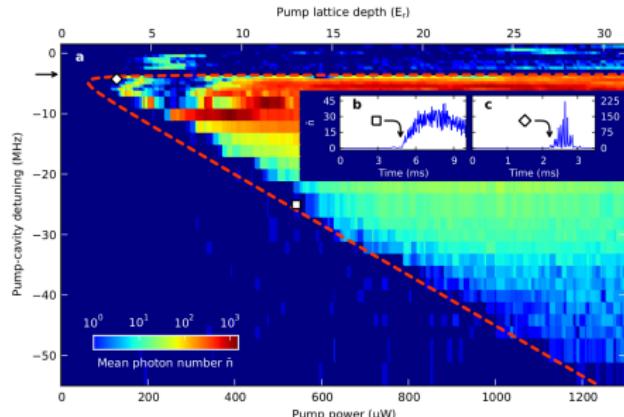
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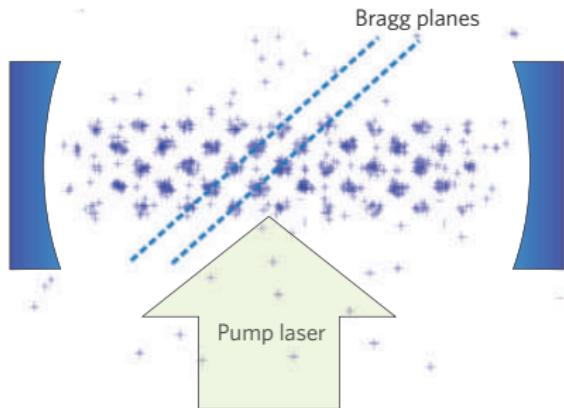
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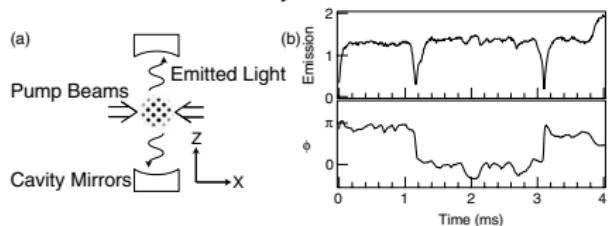
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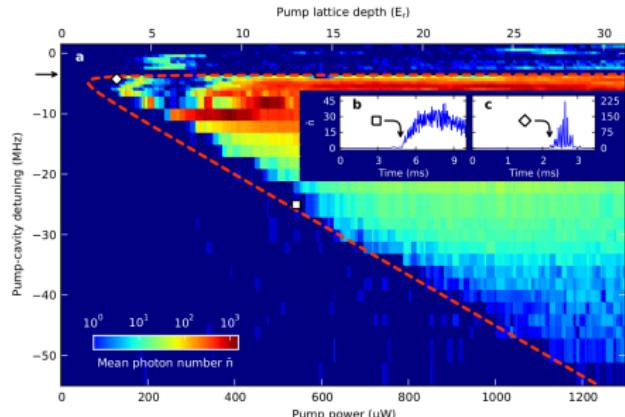
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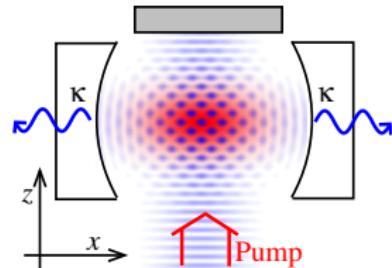
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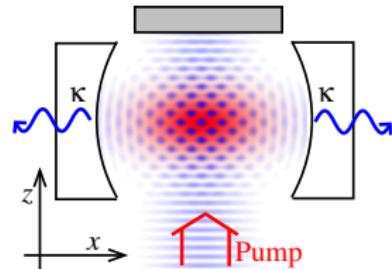


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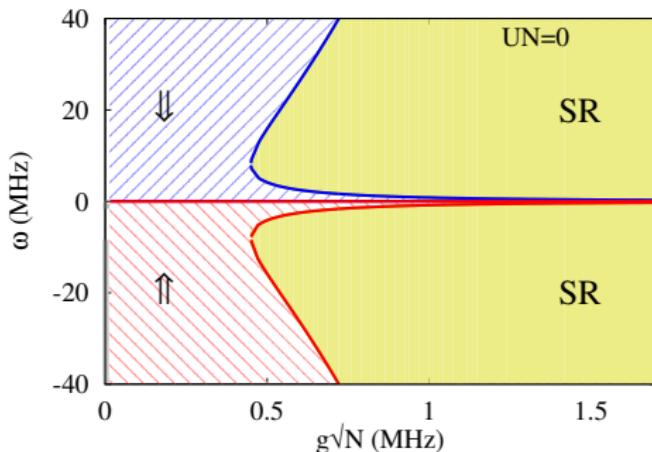


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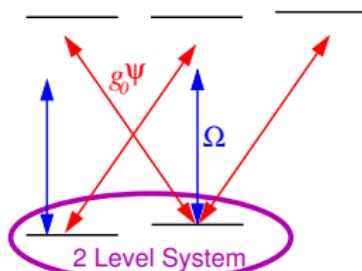
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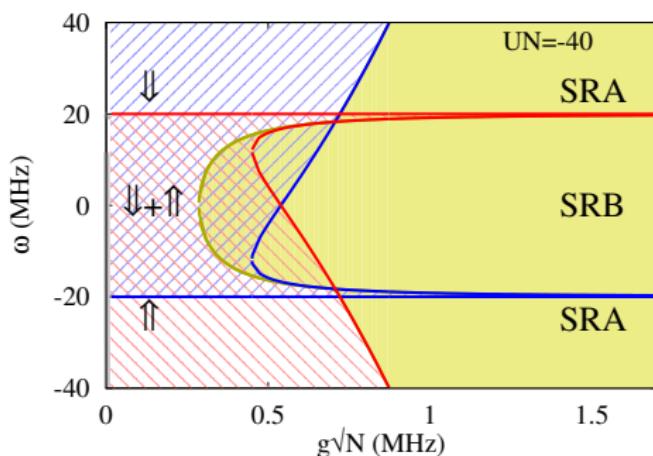
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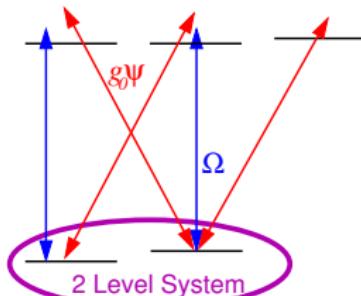
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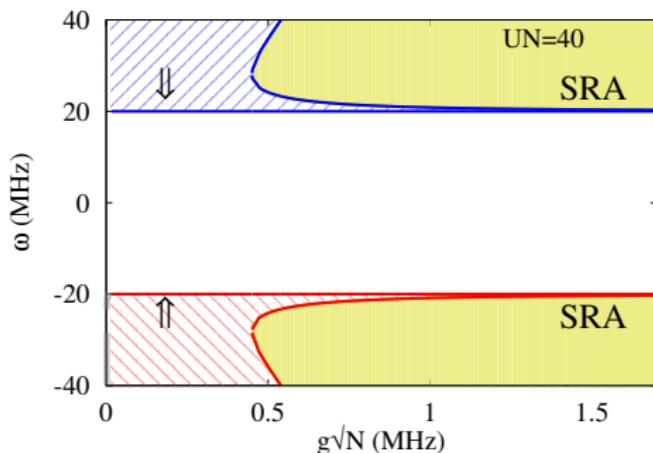
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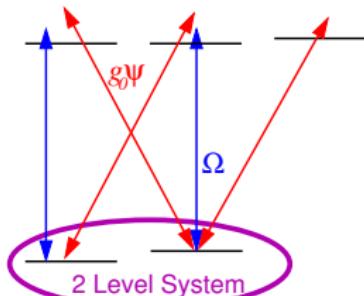
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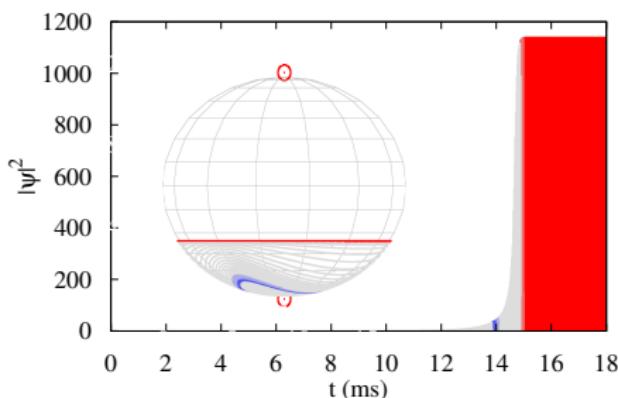
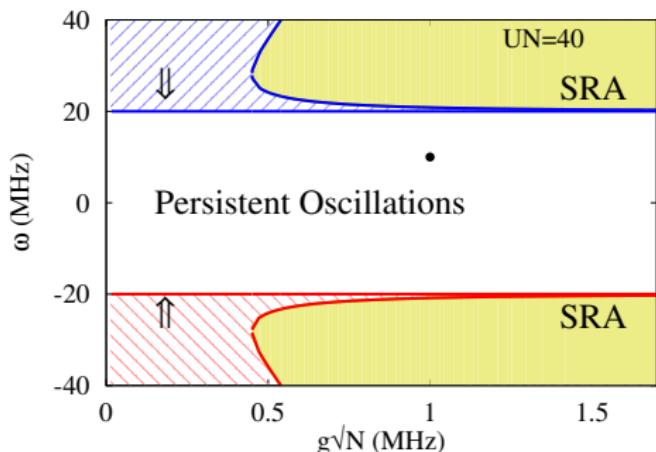
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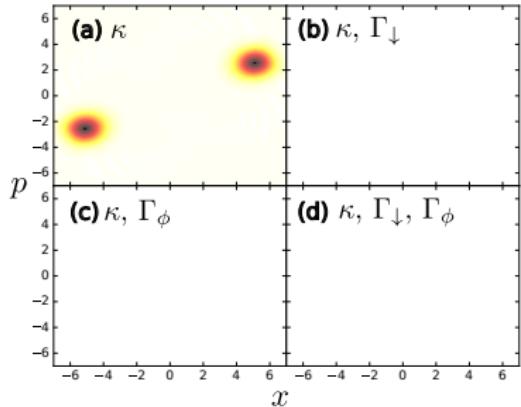
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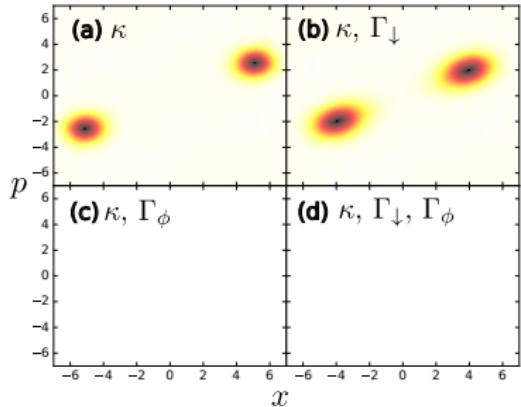
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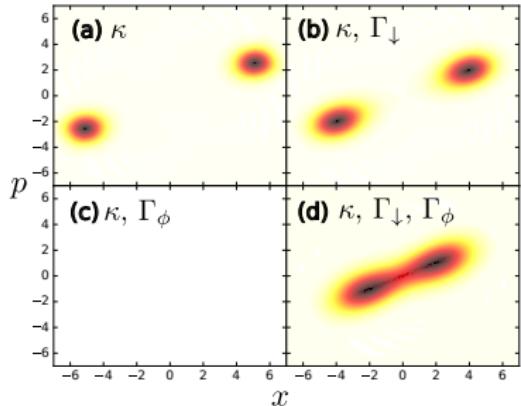
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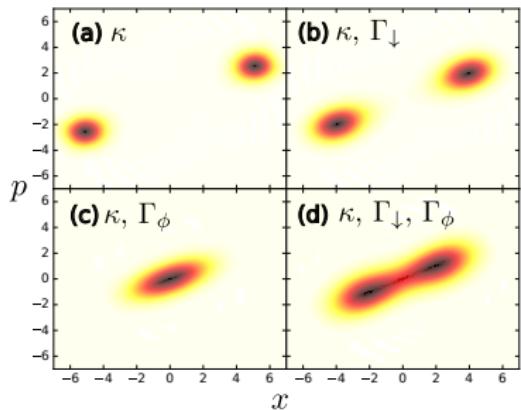


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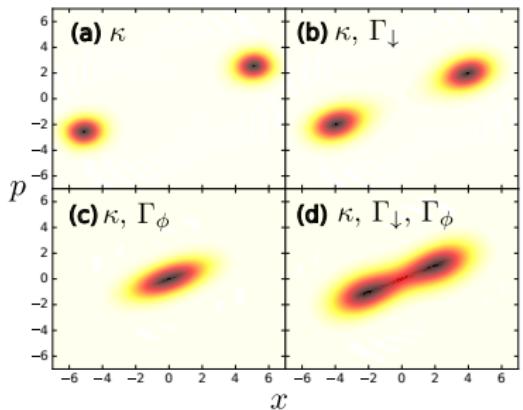
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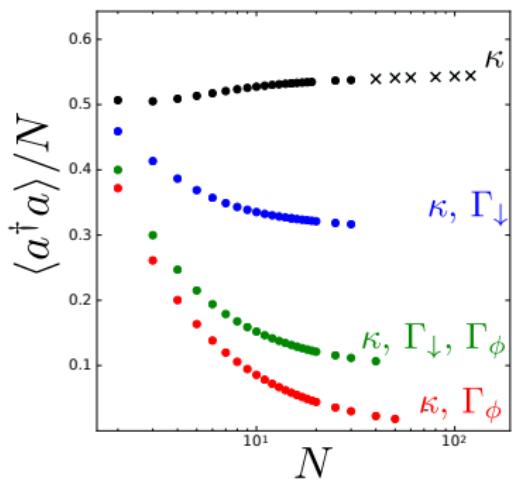
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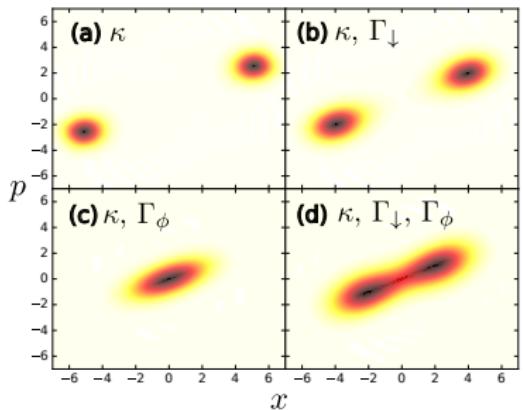
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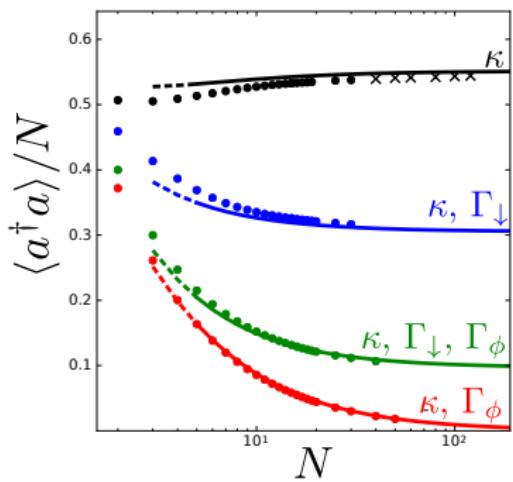
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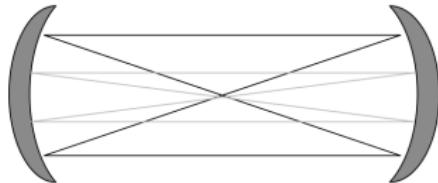


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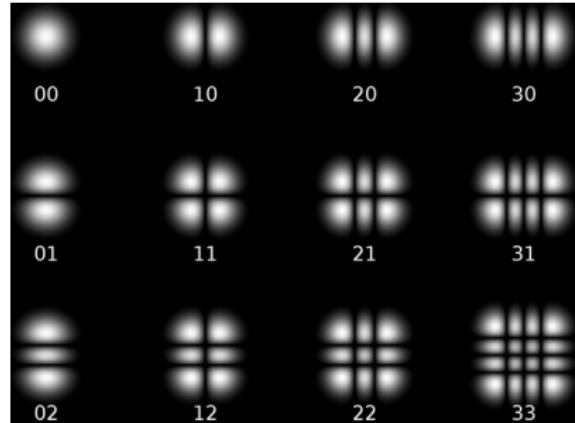
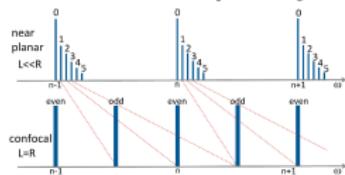
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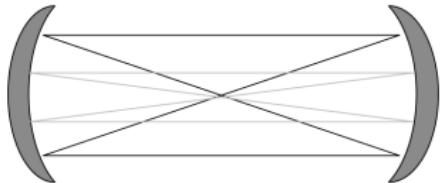
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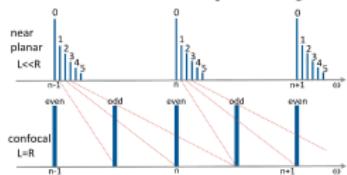
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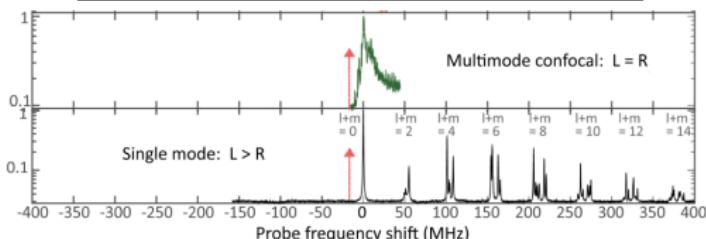
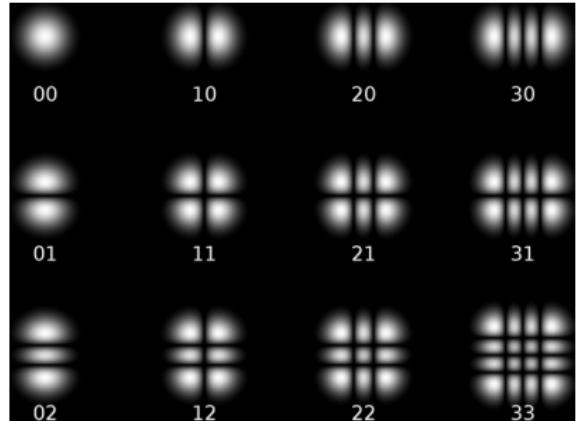
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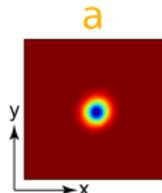
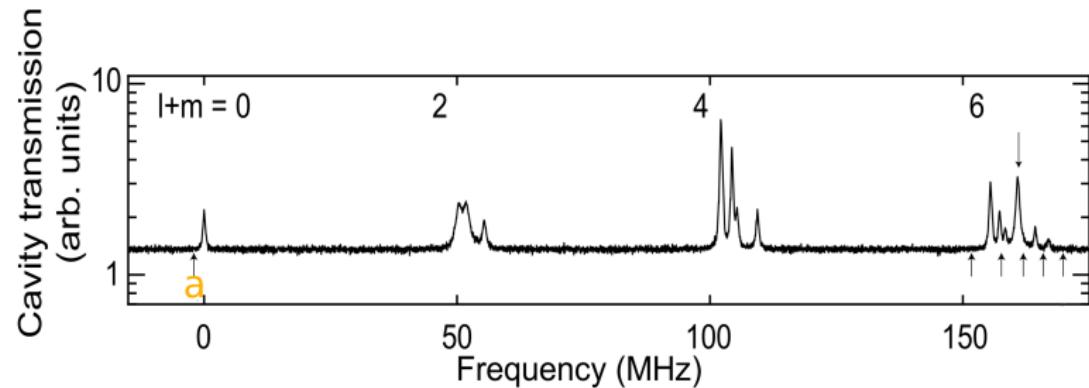
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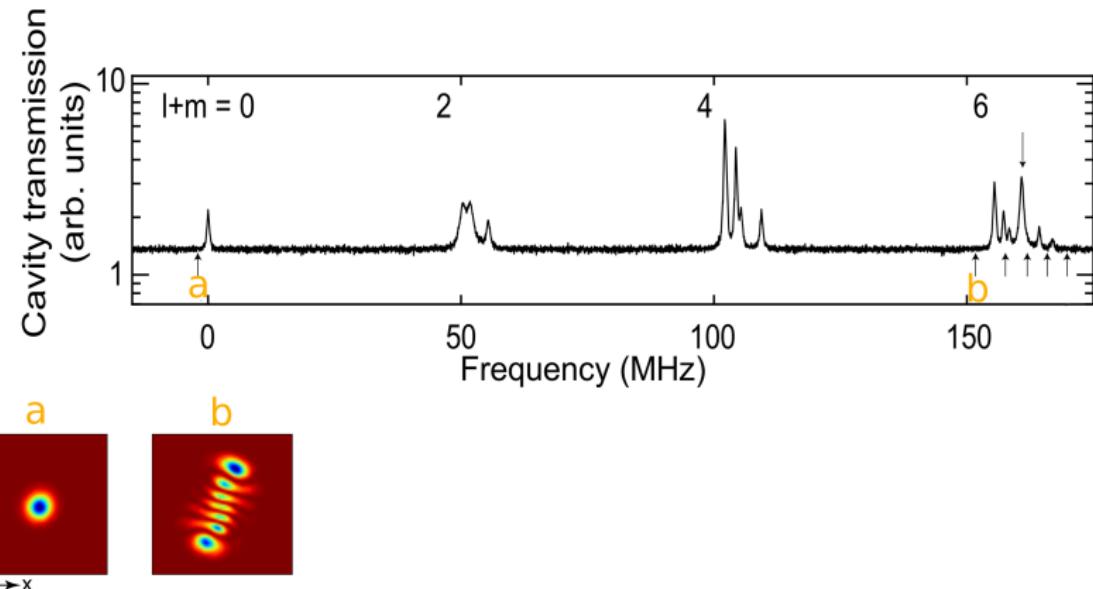
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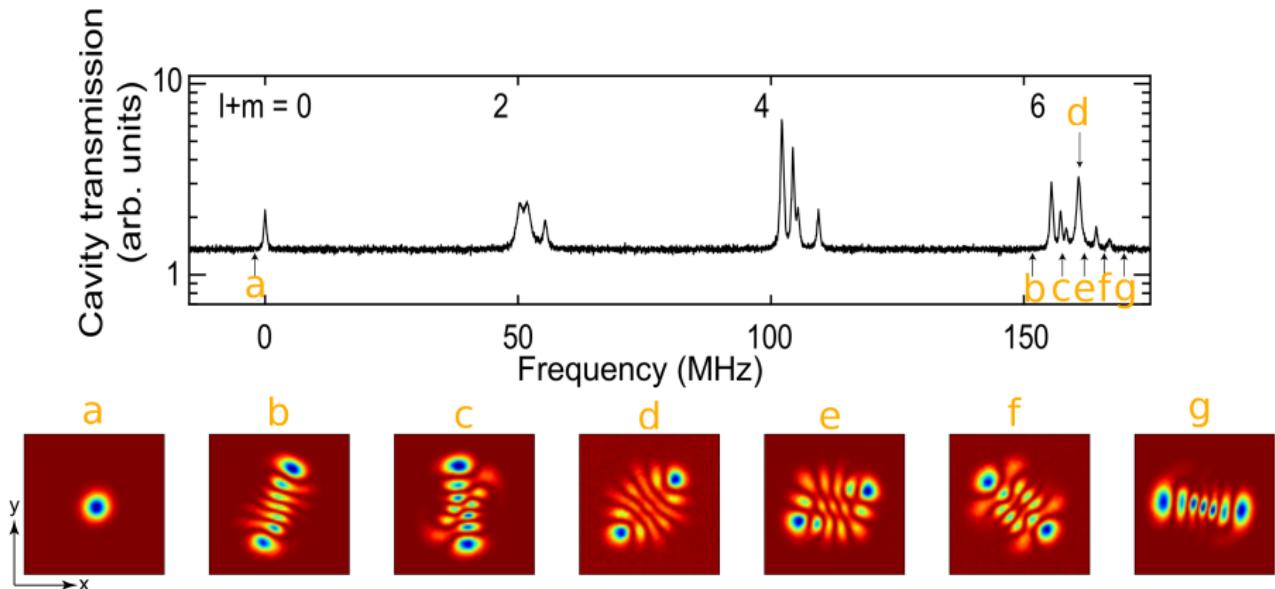
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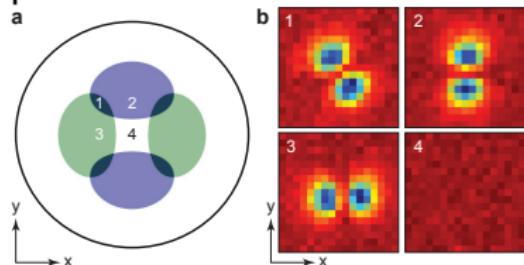


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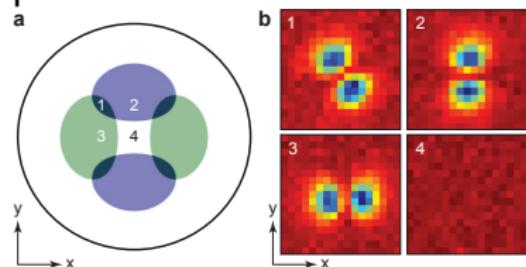
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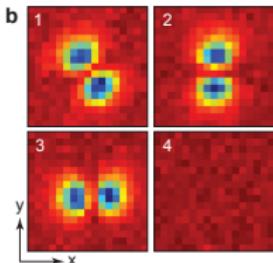
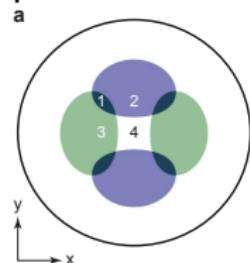
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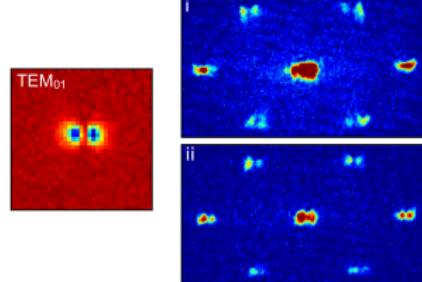
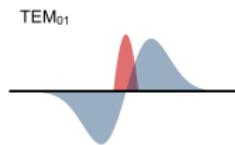
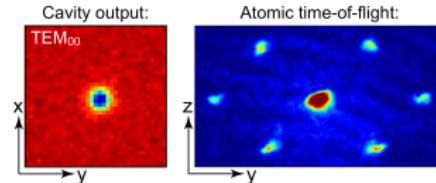
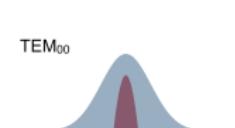
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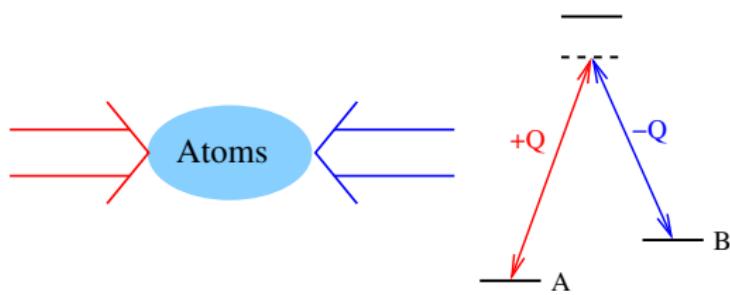
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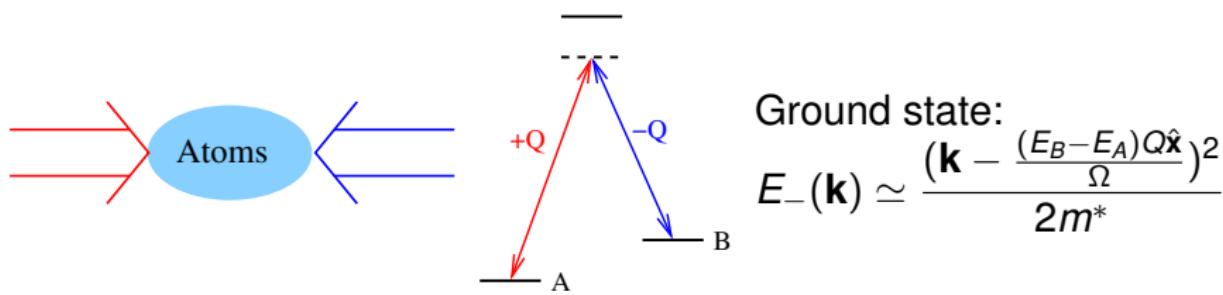
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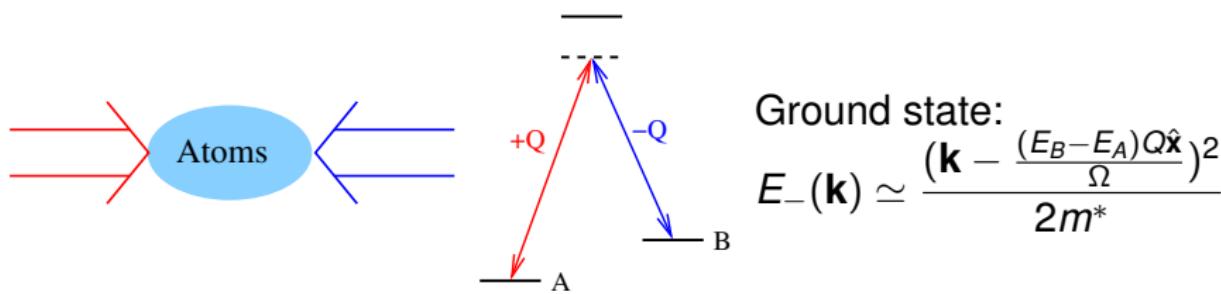
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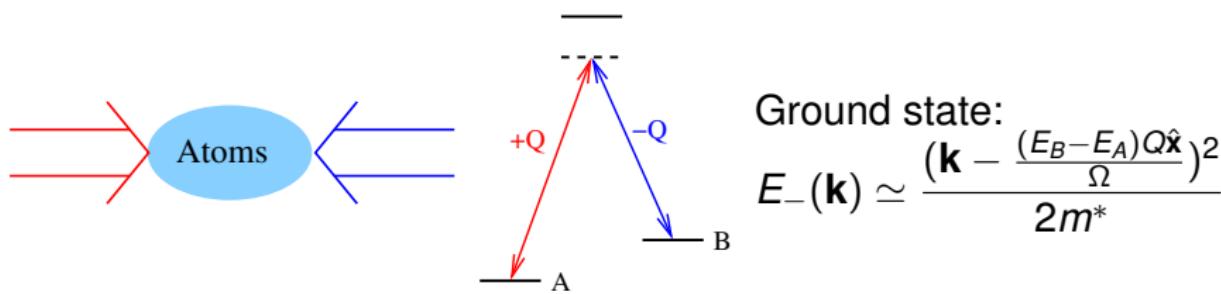
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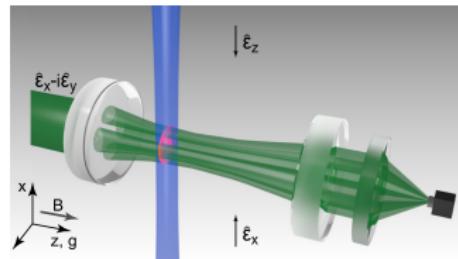
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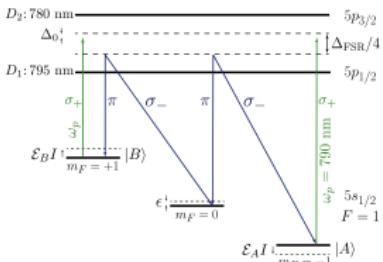
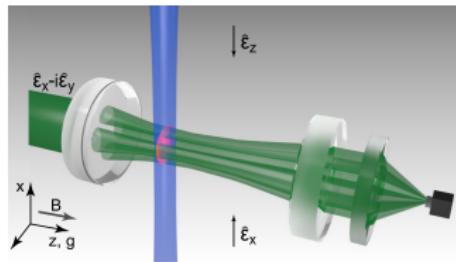
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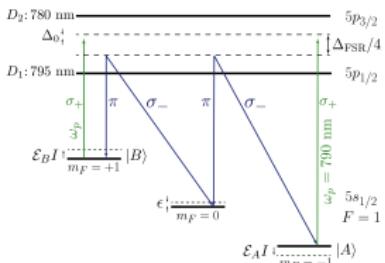
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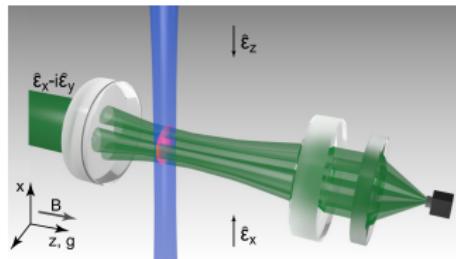
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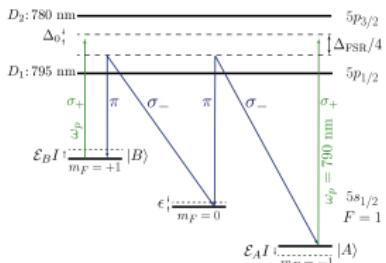


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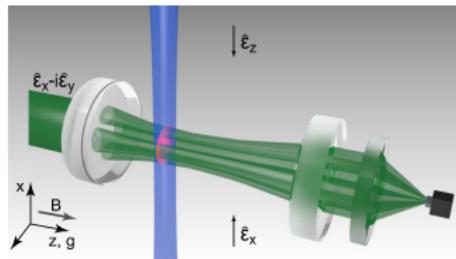
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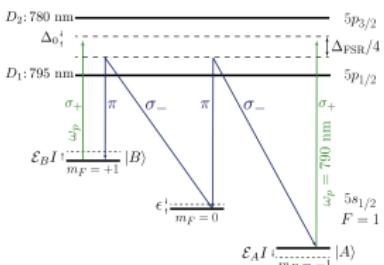
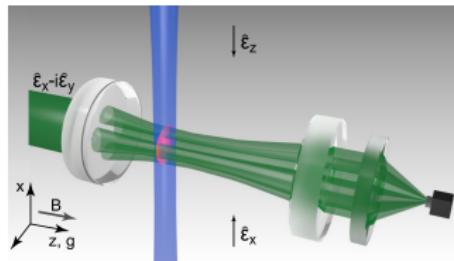


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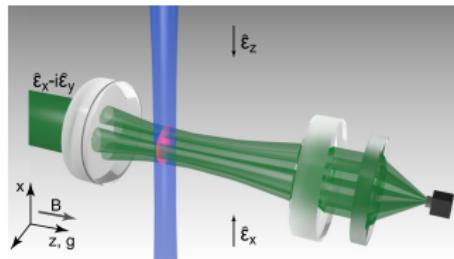
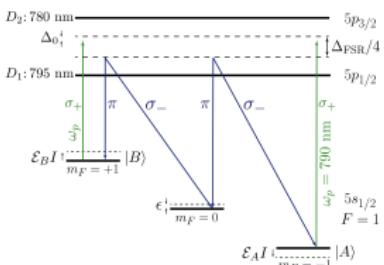
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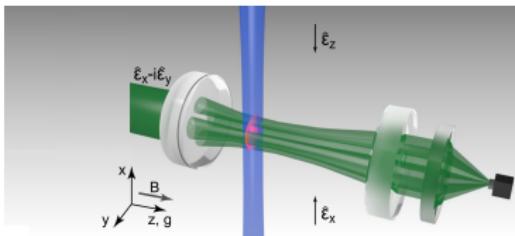
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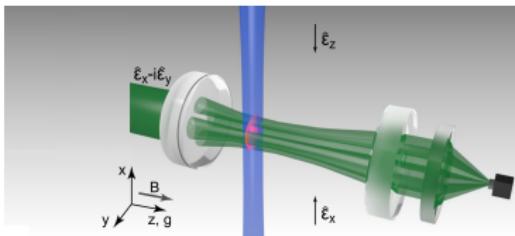
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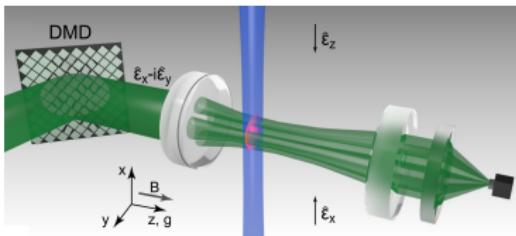
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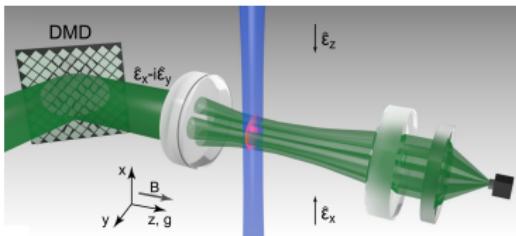
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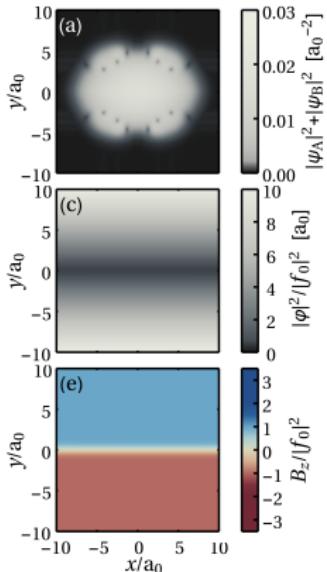
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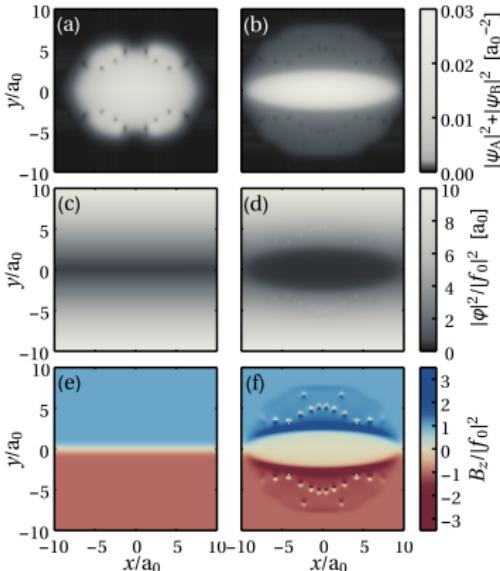
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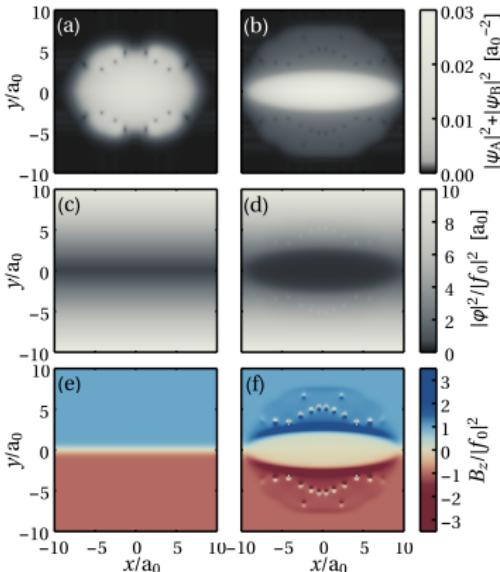
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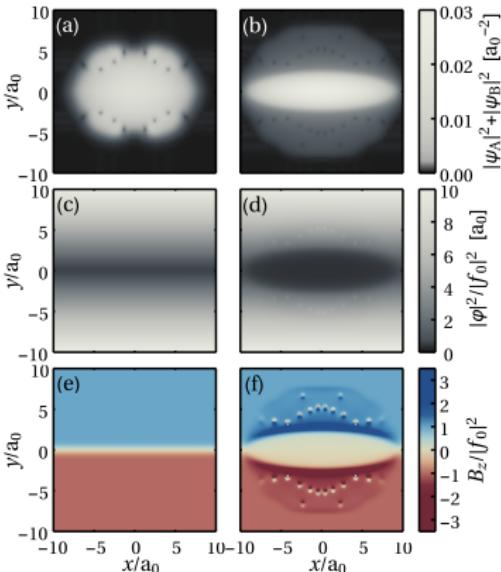
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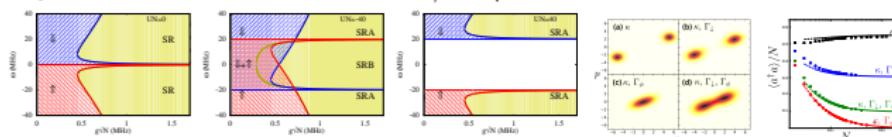
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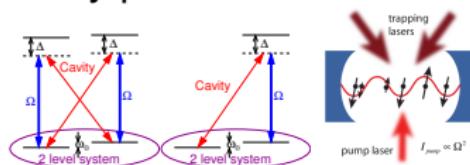
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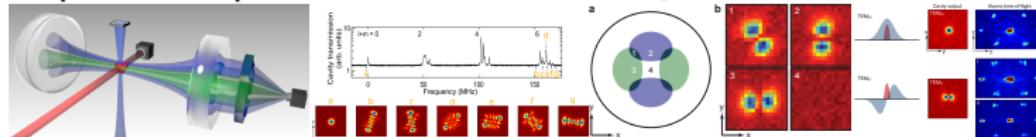
- Open Dicke model,  $\kappa, \Gamma_\phi, \Gamma_\downarrow$  [Kirton & JK, PRL 2017]



- Many possibilities of multimode cavity QED



- Supermode polariton condensation [Kollár *et al.* Nat. Comms. 2017]



- Meissner like effect [Ballantine *et al.* PRL 2017]

