

Quantum Computing with Trapped Ions

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Outline

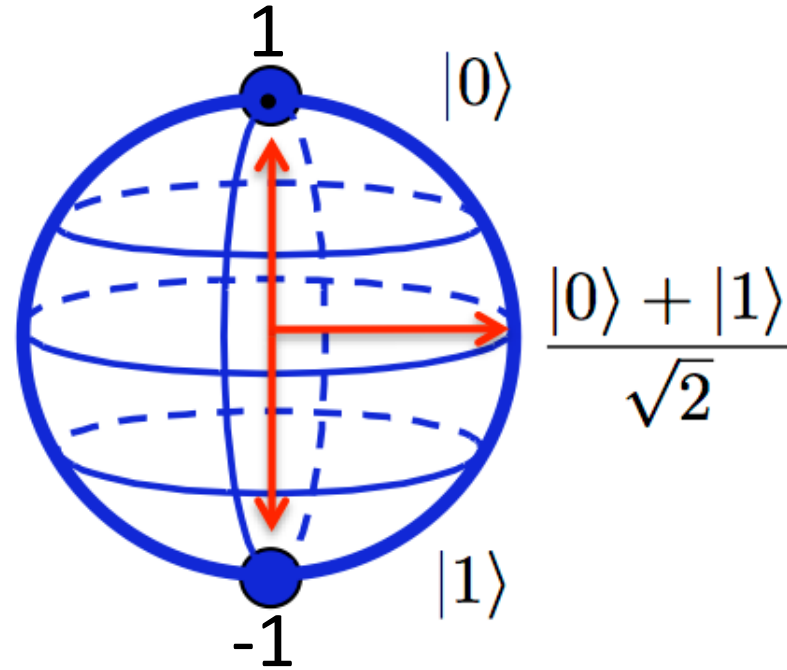
- Quantum Computing
- Ion Trapping Theory
- Building a 493nm Laser
- Ion Trapping Experimental

The Quantum Advantage

$$|\psi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$$

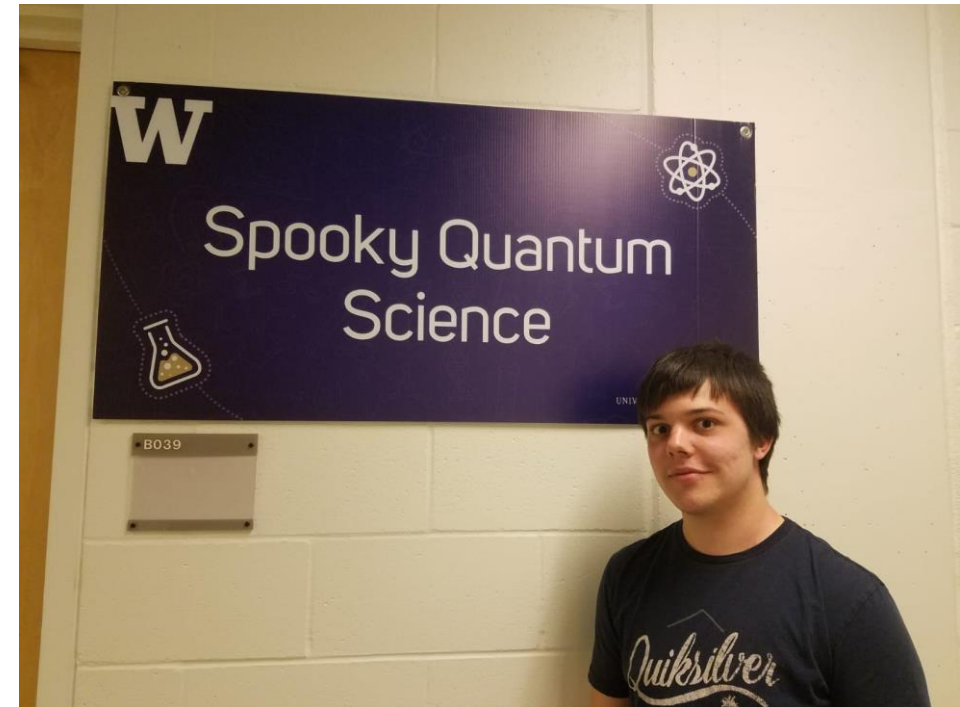
● 0

● 1



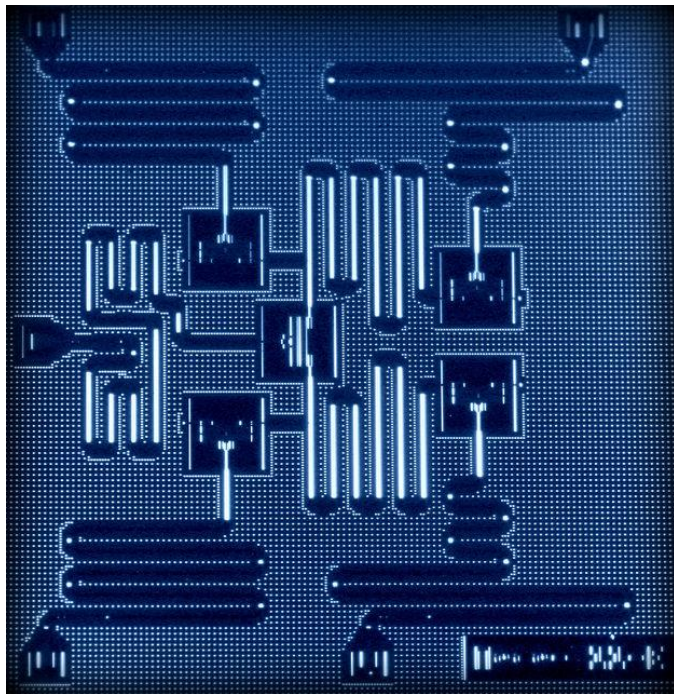
Classical Bit vs Qubit

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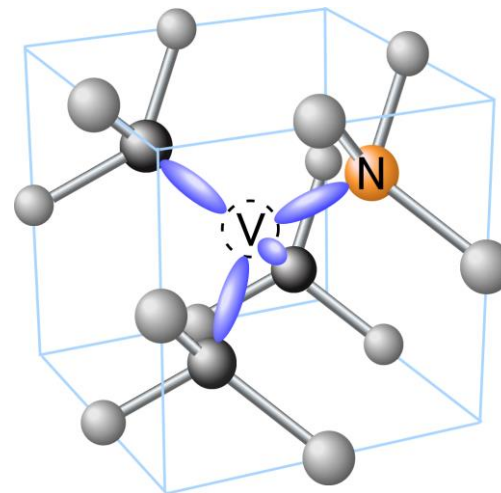


Quantum Entanglement

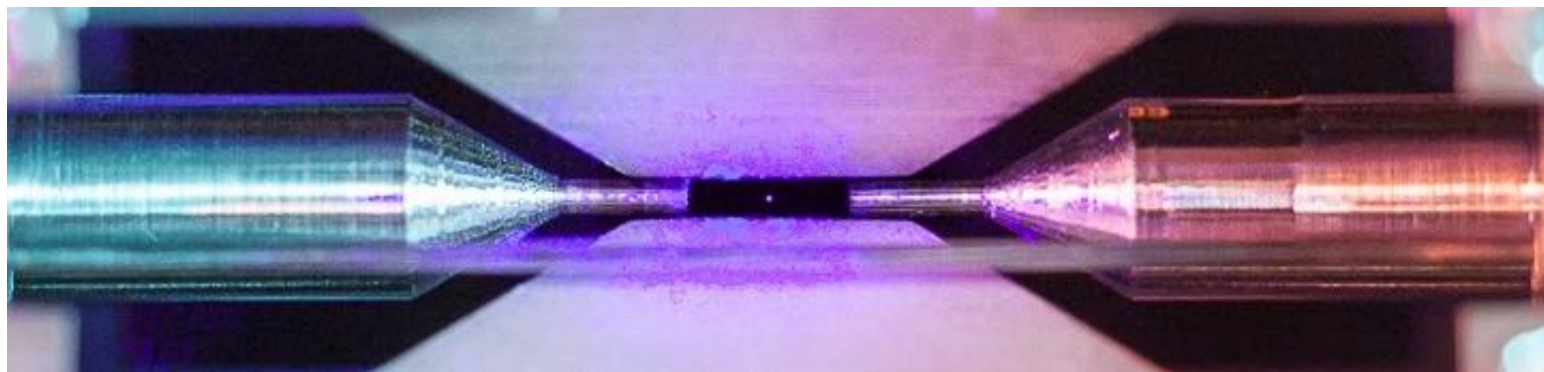
Types of Qubits



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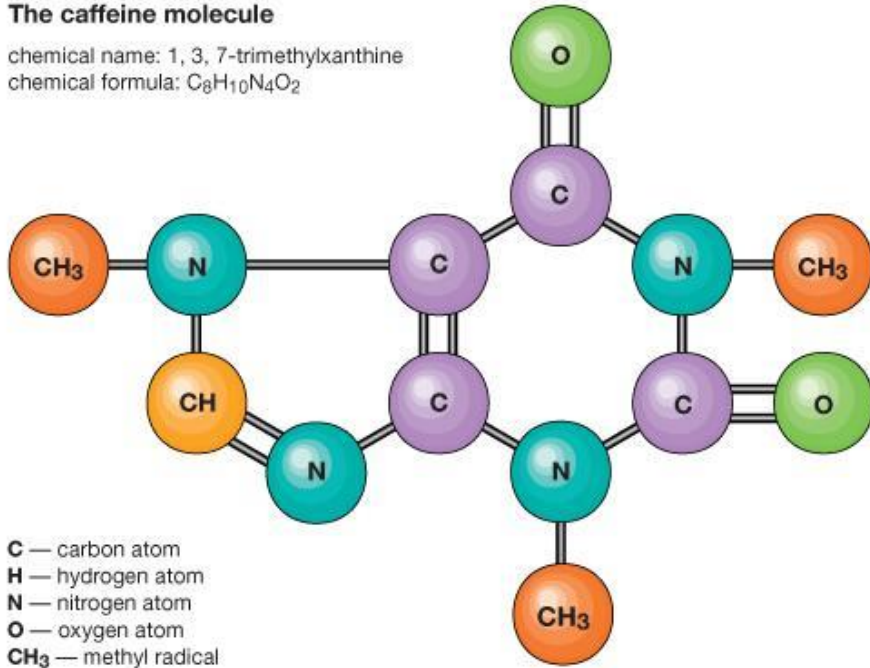


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Applications: According to IBMQ

The caffeine molecule

chemical name: 1, 3, 7-trimethylxanthine
chemical formula: $C_8H_{10}N_4O_2$



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ABC's of Trapping an Ion

$$\nabla \cdot E = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$E = -\nabla V$$

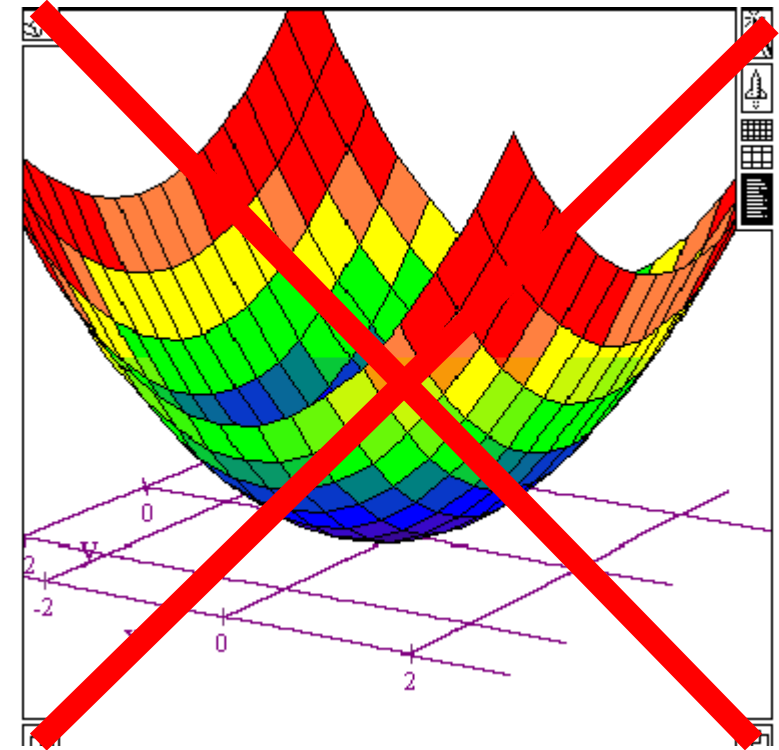
Static electric field =

$$\nabla^2 V = 0$$

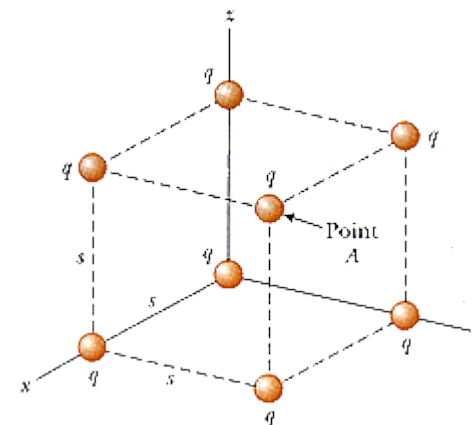
$$\nabla^2 V = \nabla^2 \left(\alpha x^2 / 2 + \beta y^2 / 2 + \gamma z^2 / 2 \right)$$

$$= \alpha + \beta + \gamma$$

$$= 0$$



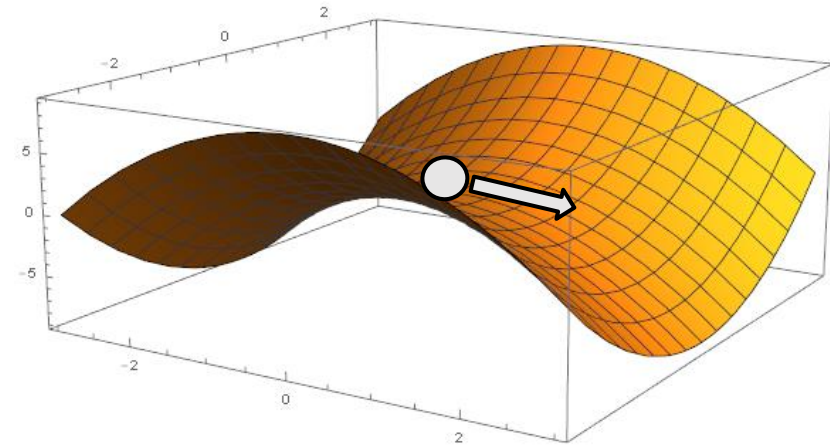
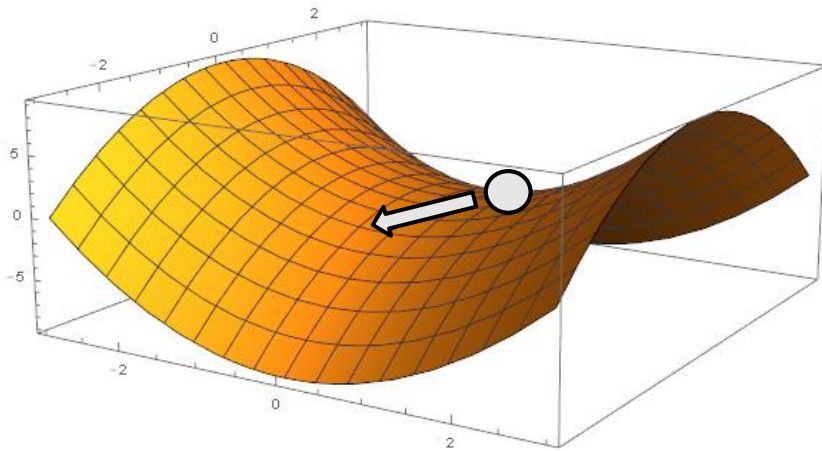
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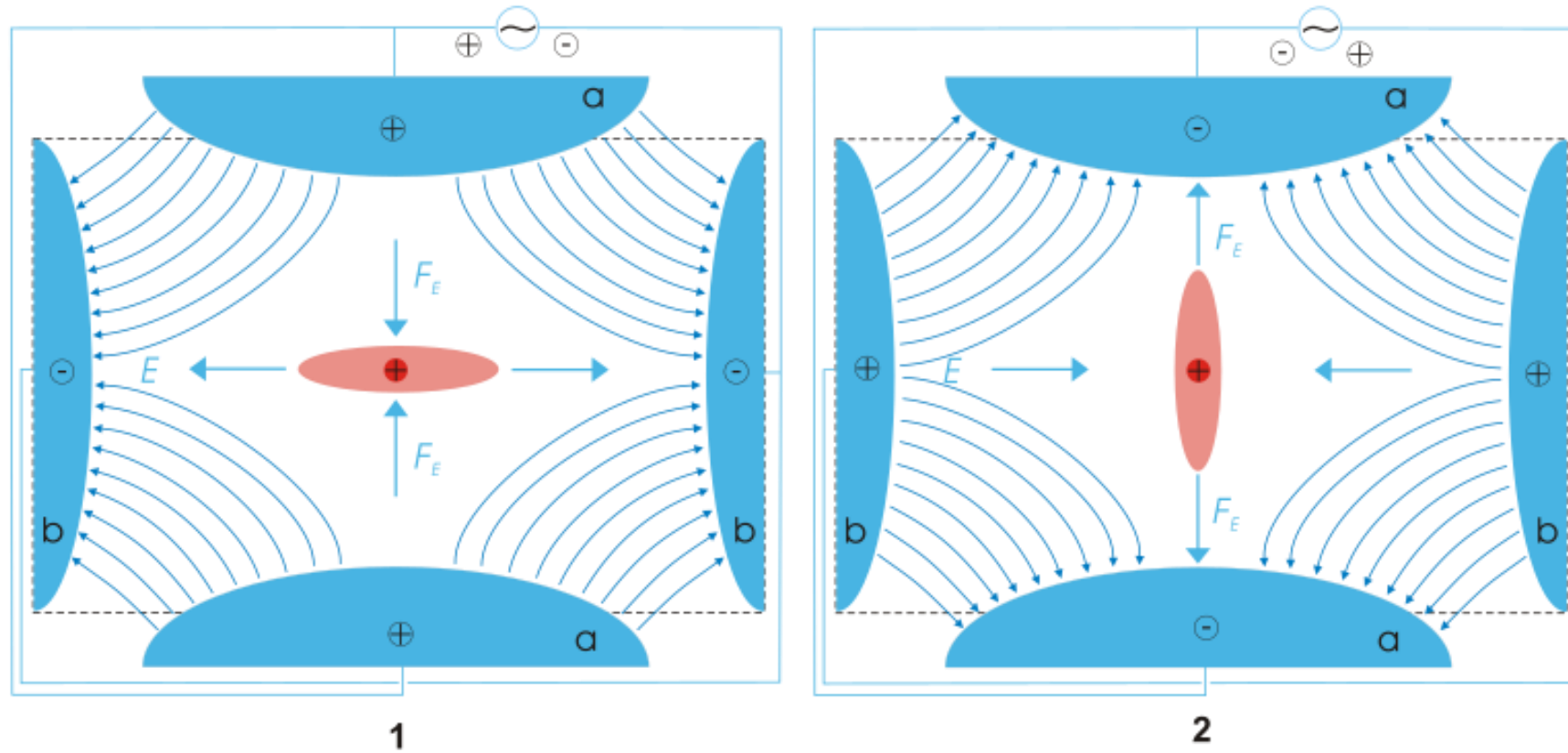
Pseudo-Potential

Time average is a minimum



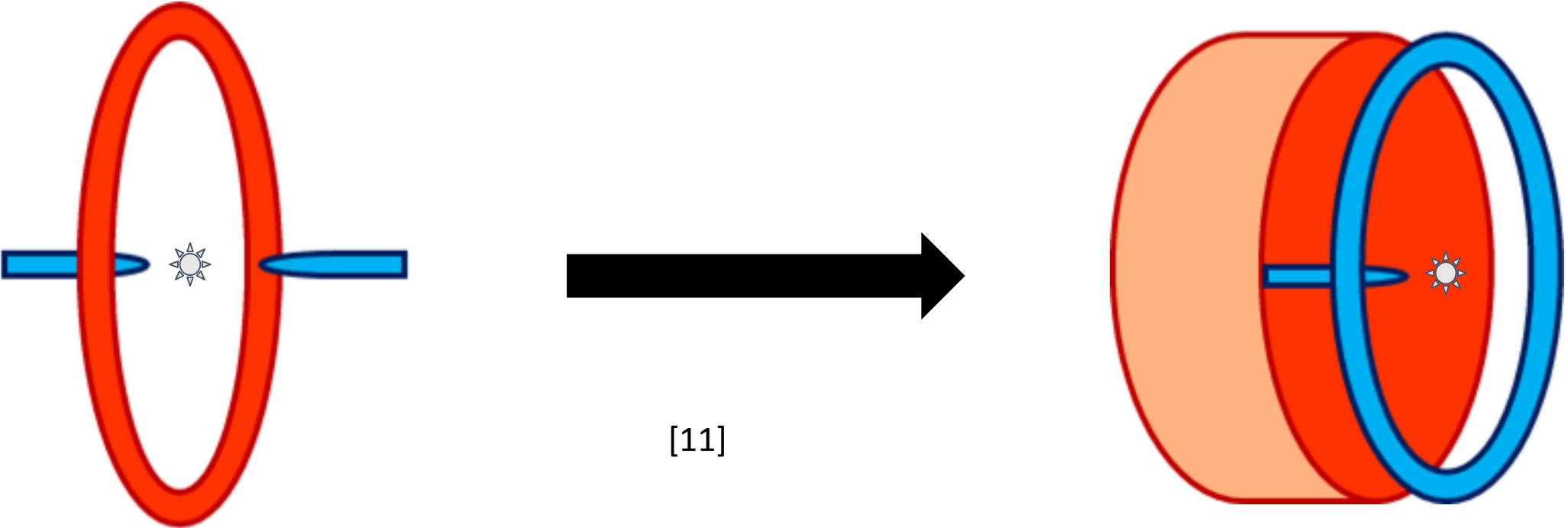
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Quadrupole / Paul Trap



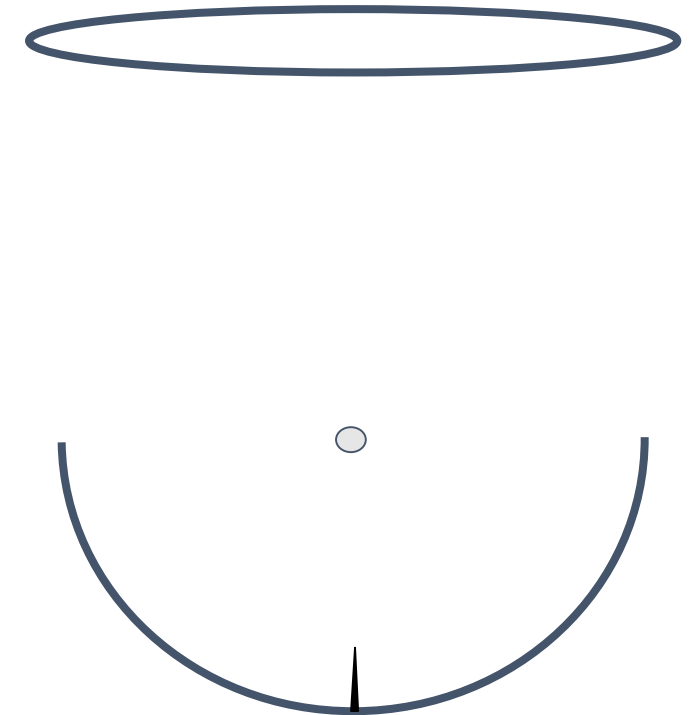
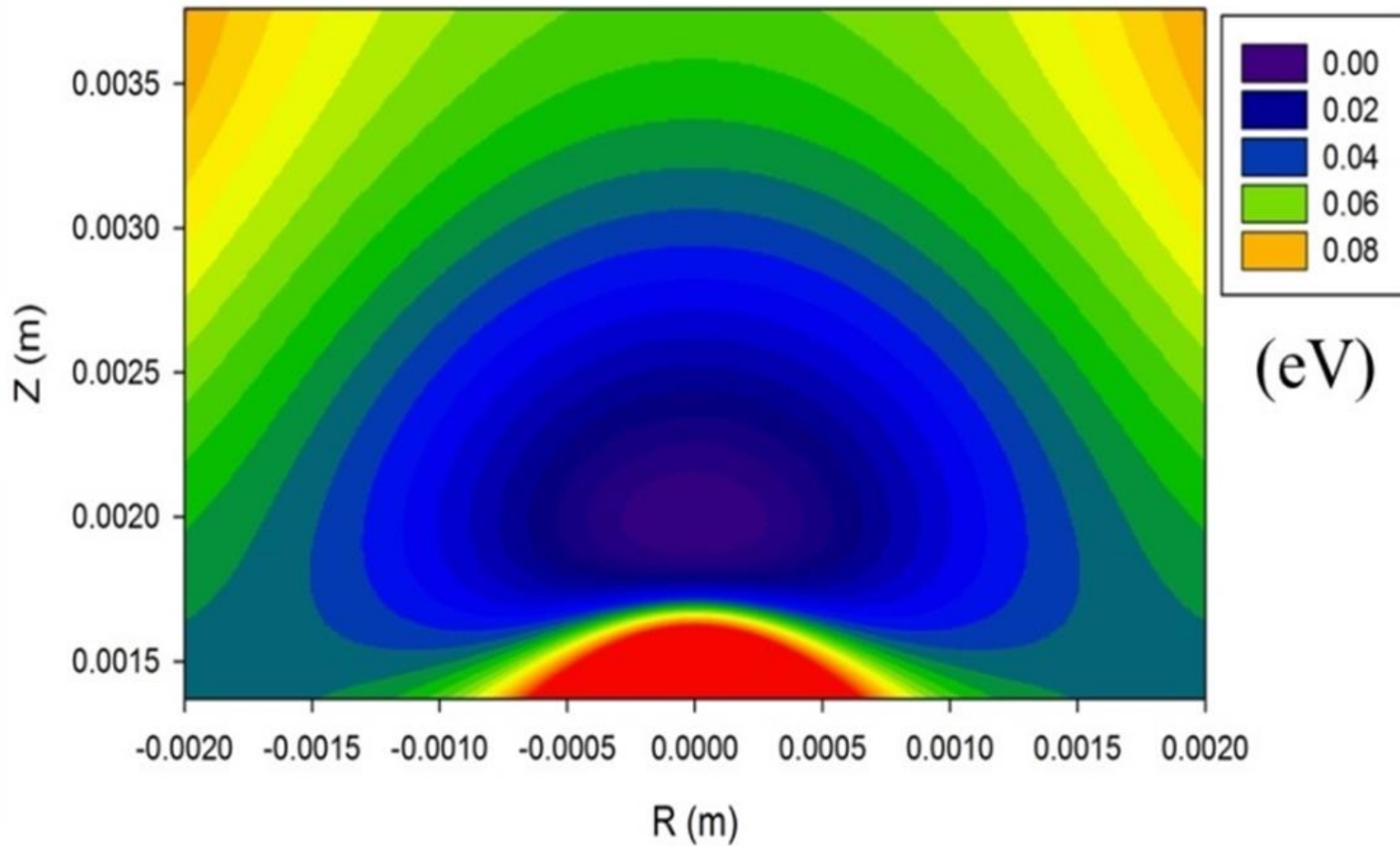
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Parabolic Mirror Ion Trap



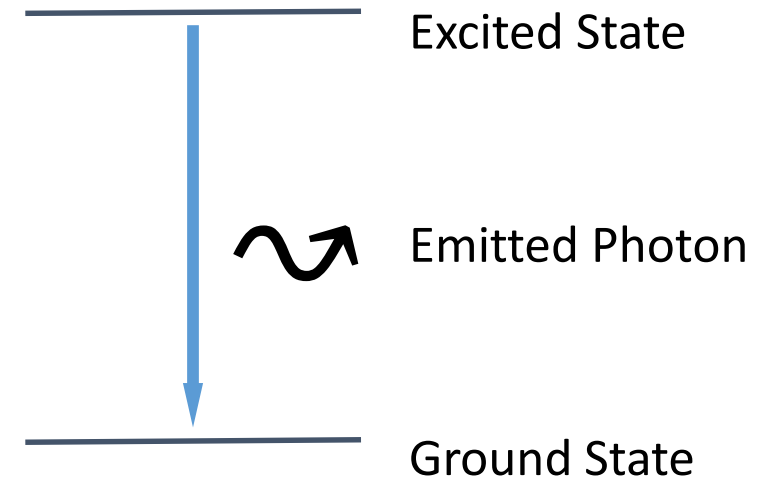
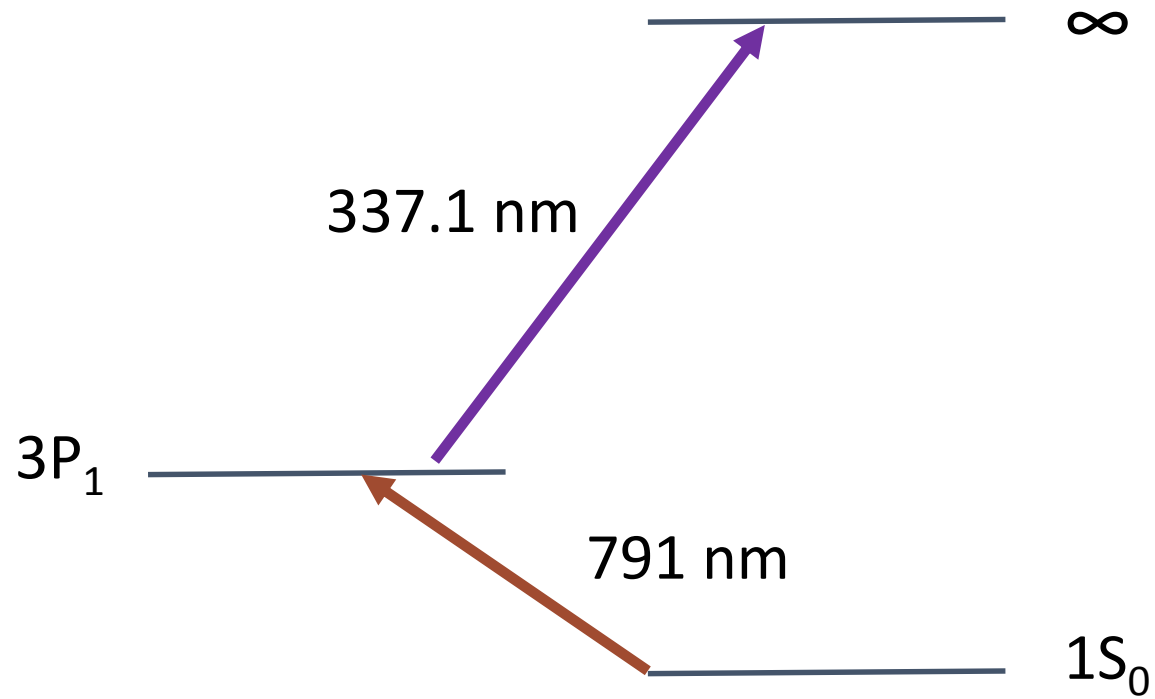
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Generated Pseudo-Potential

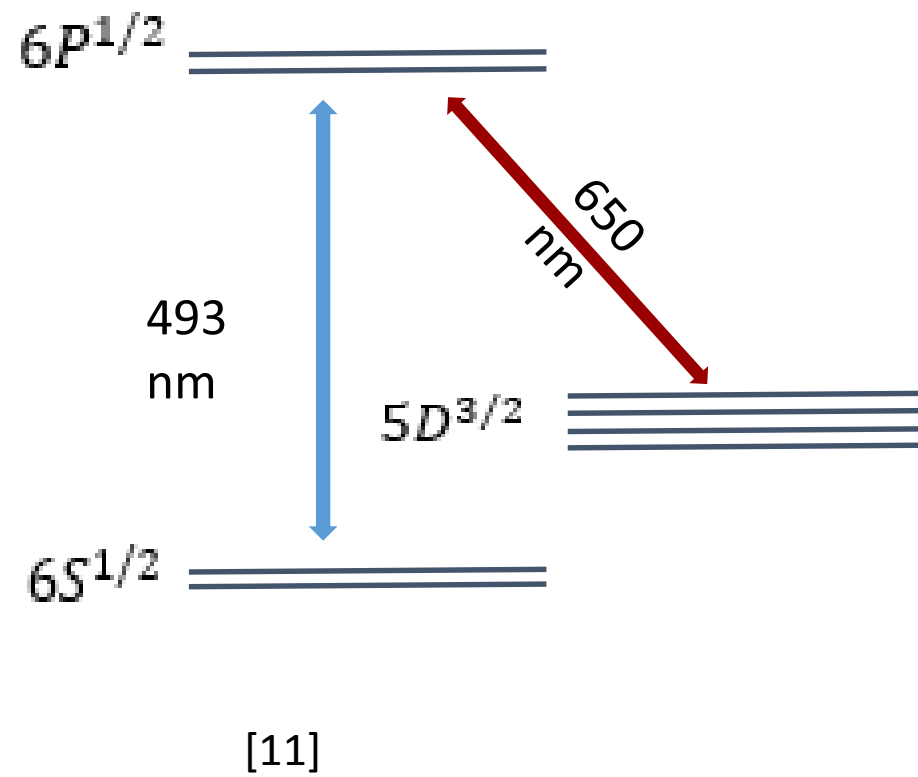


Trap architecture (not to scale)

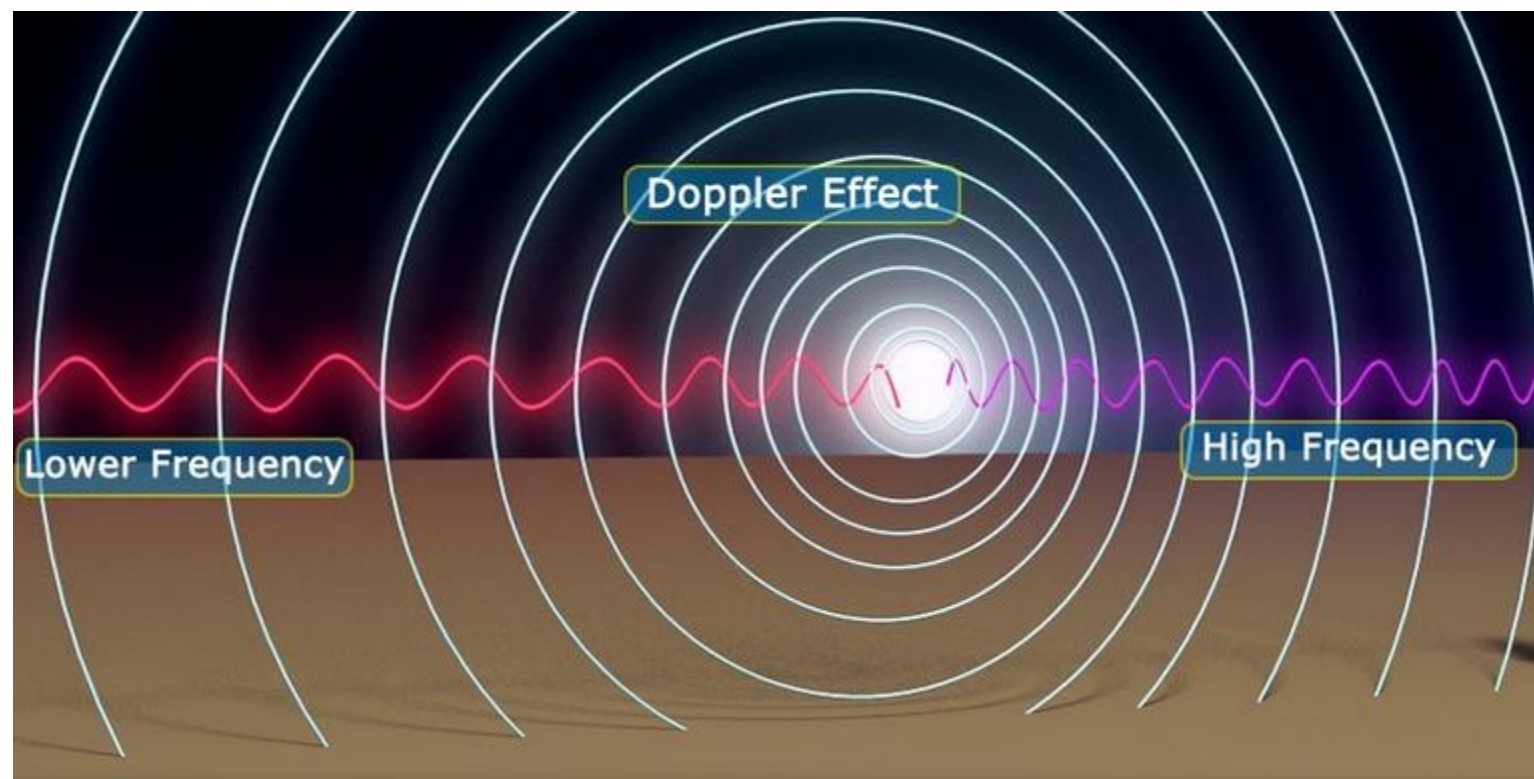
Ionization Scheme



Cooling Cycle

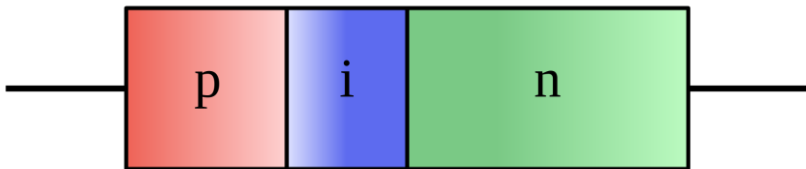


Doppler Cooling



Blue Light: Laser Diode (new!)

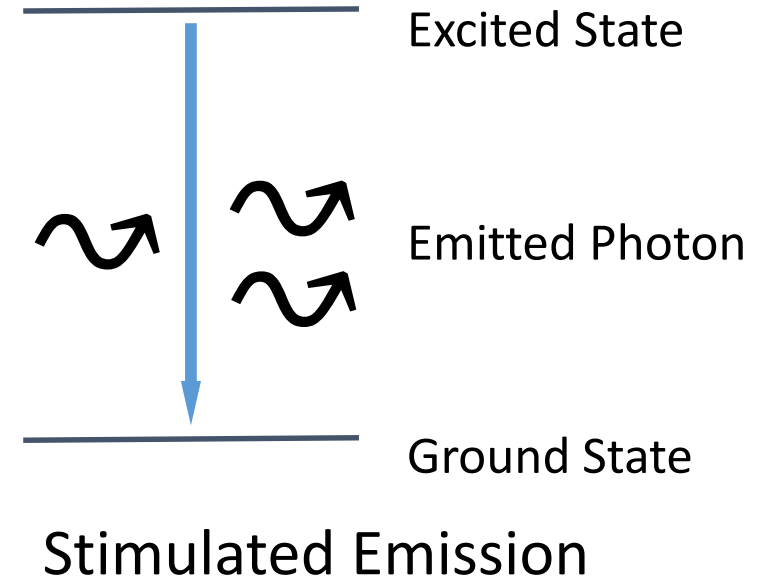
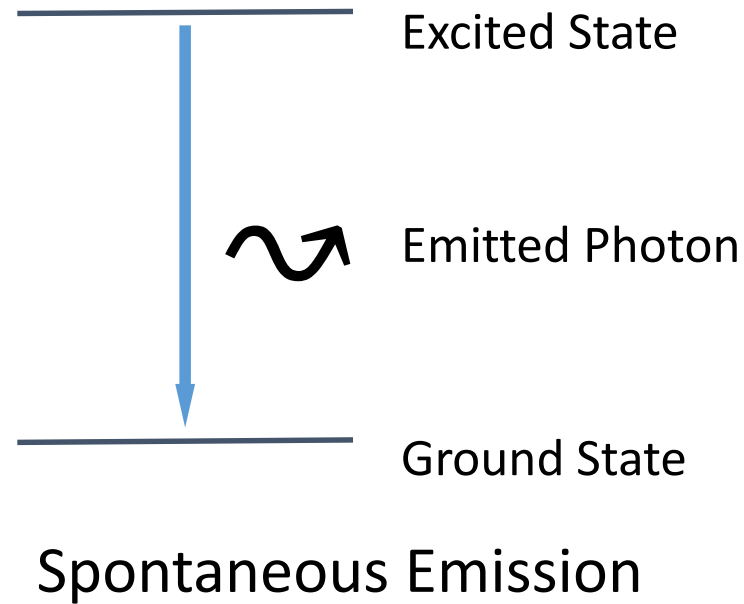
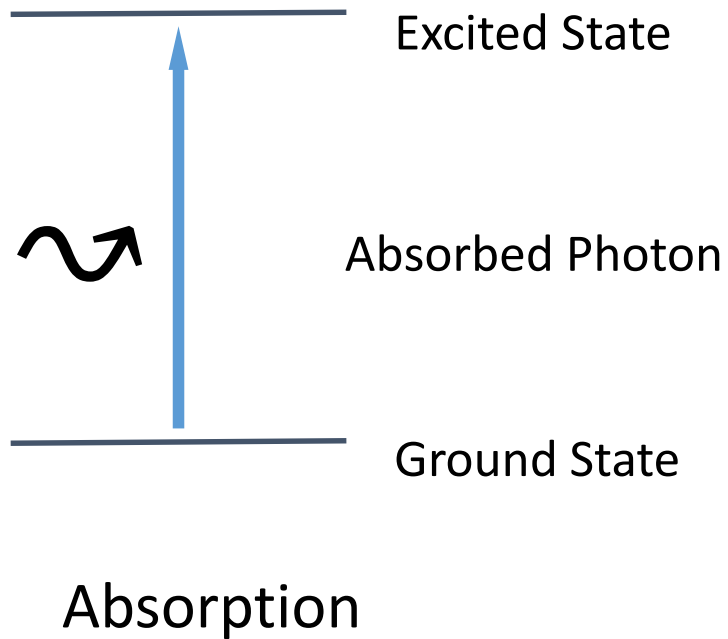
- Before in this lab: 986nm laser, doubling crystal
- Now: laser diodes
- PIN junction



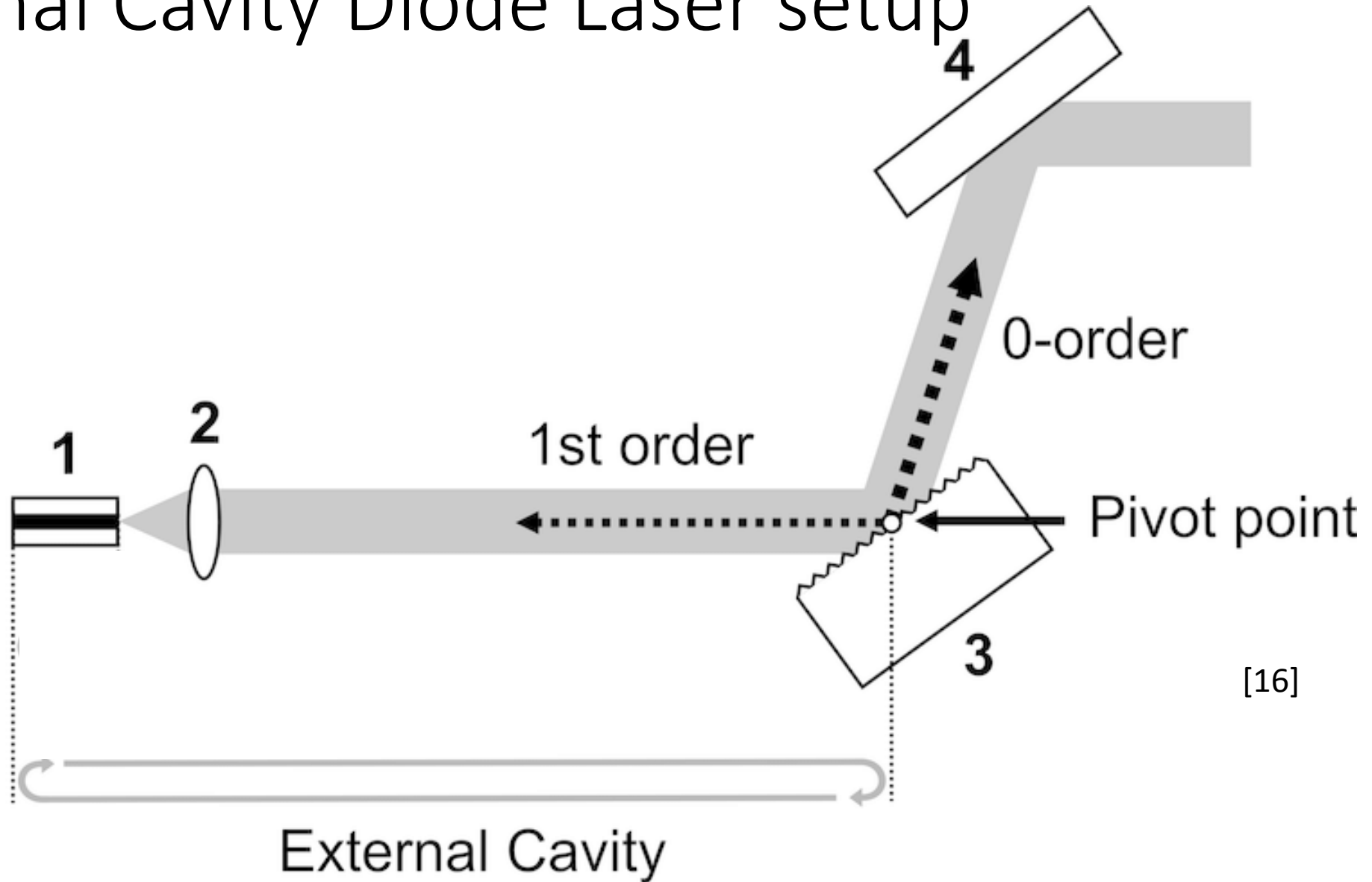
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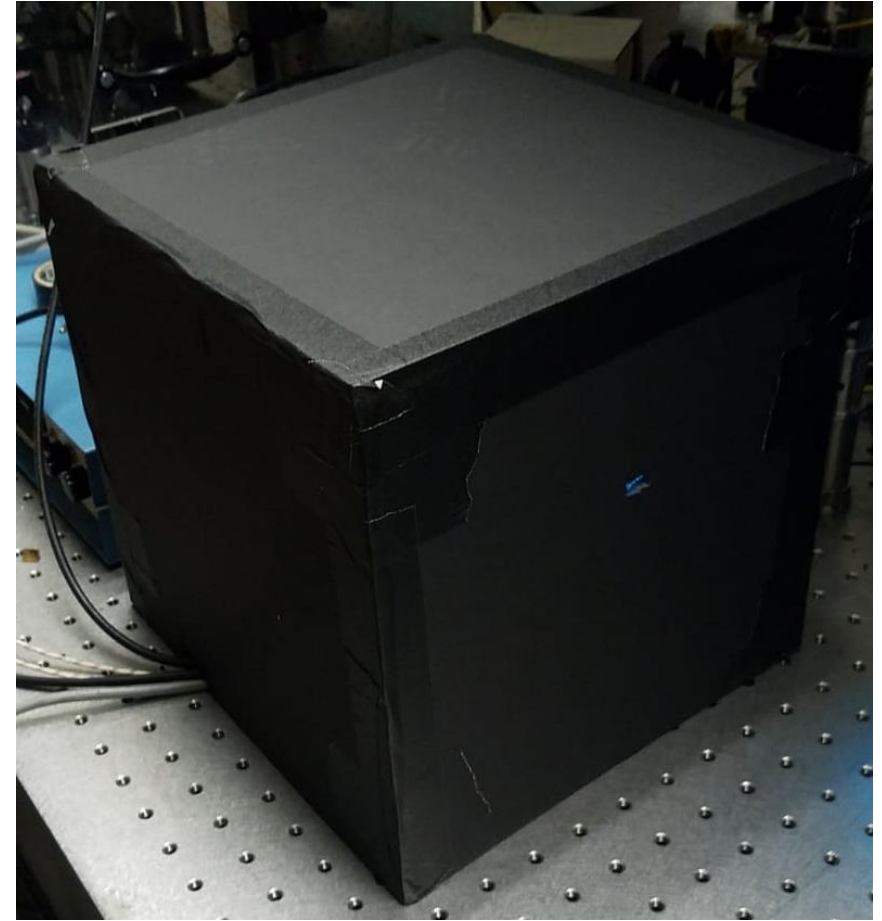
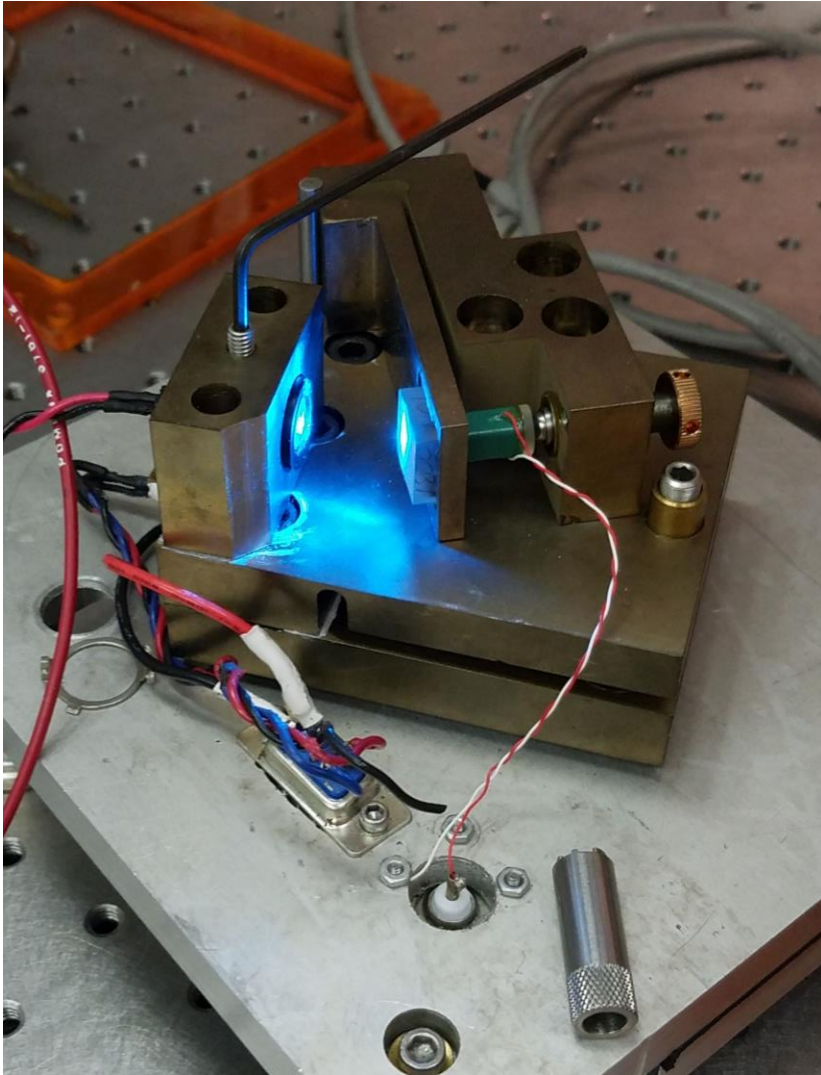
Stimulated Emission



External Cavity Diode Laser setup

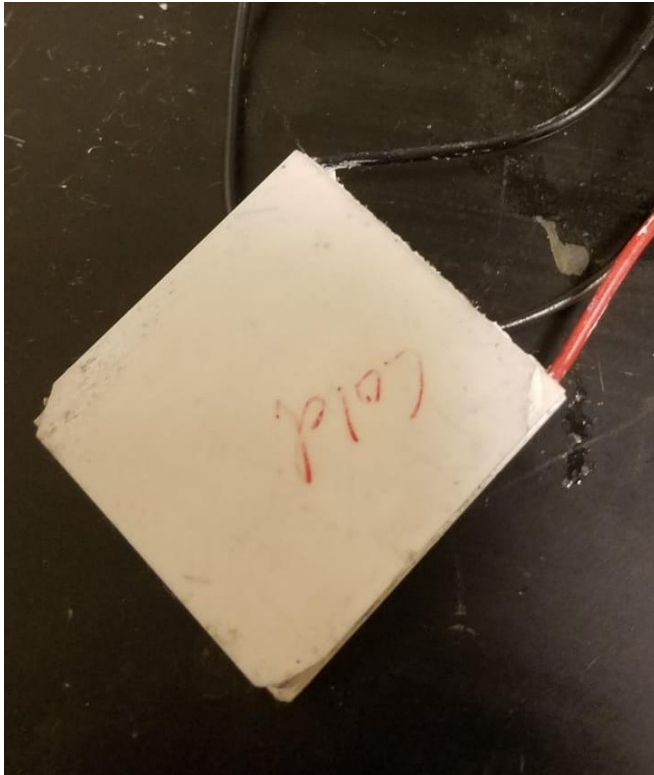


Laser Setup

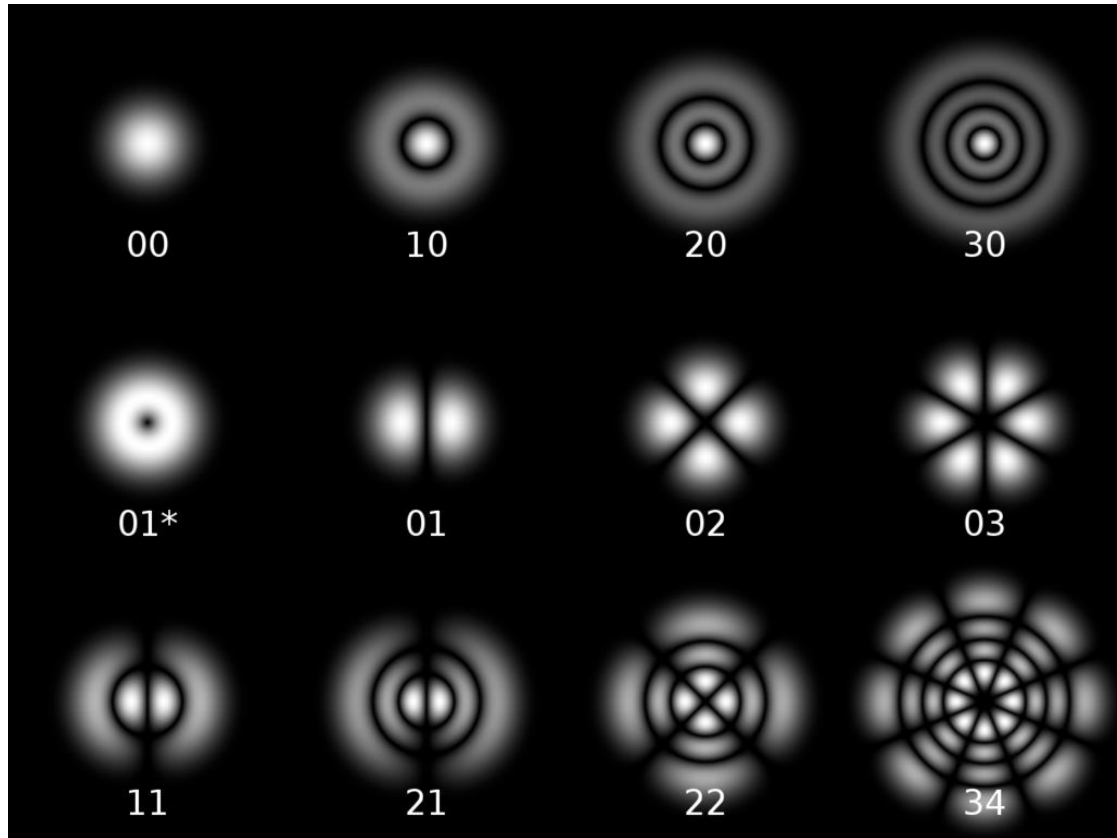


Temperature stabilization

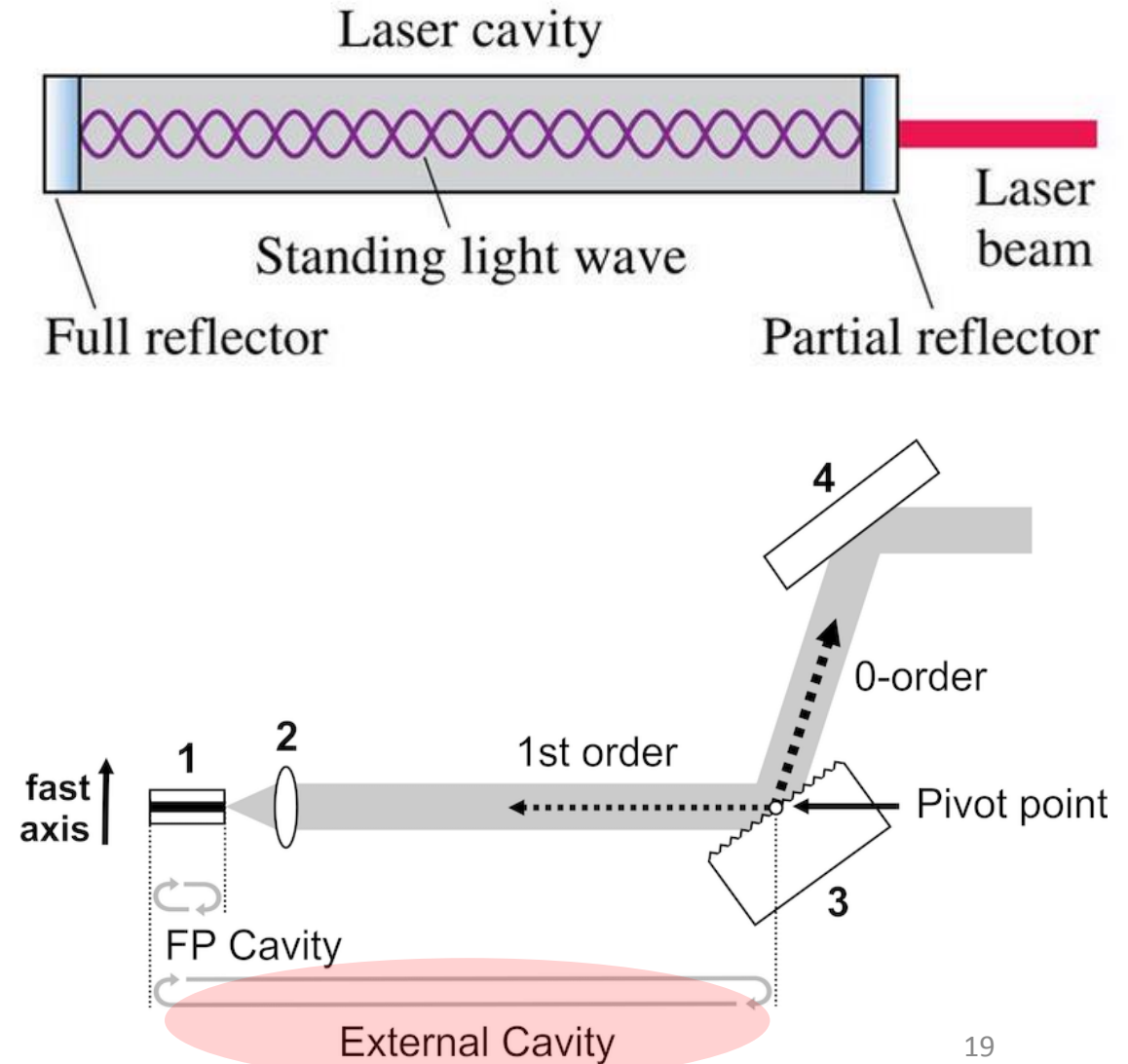
- Thorlabs TED200C (4th attempt)
- Resistive Heater
- TEC



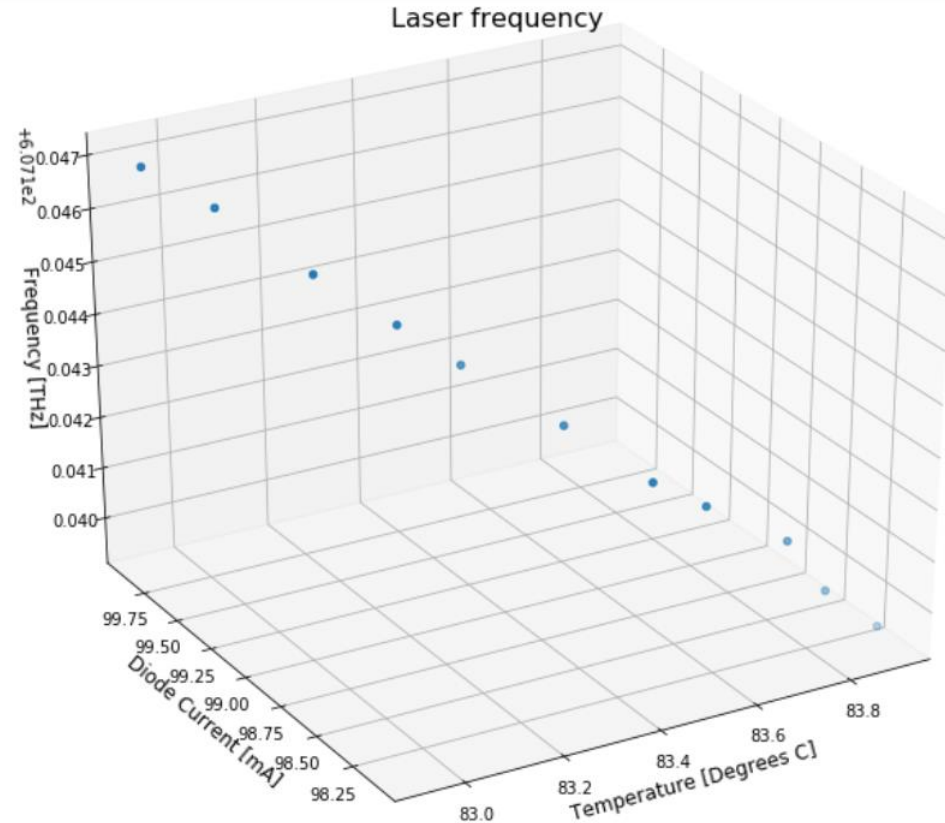
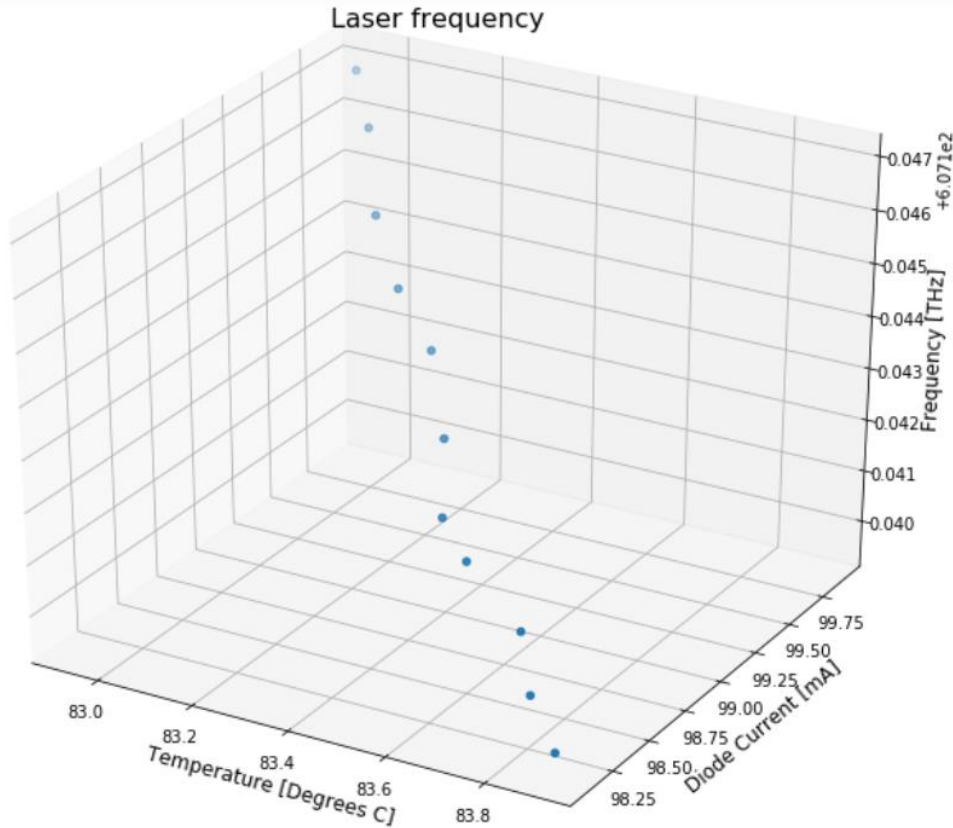
Laser modes



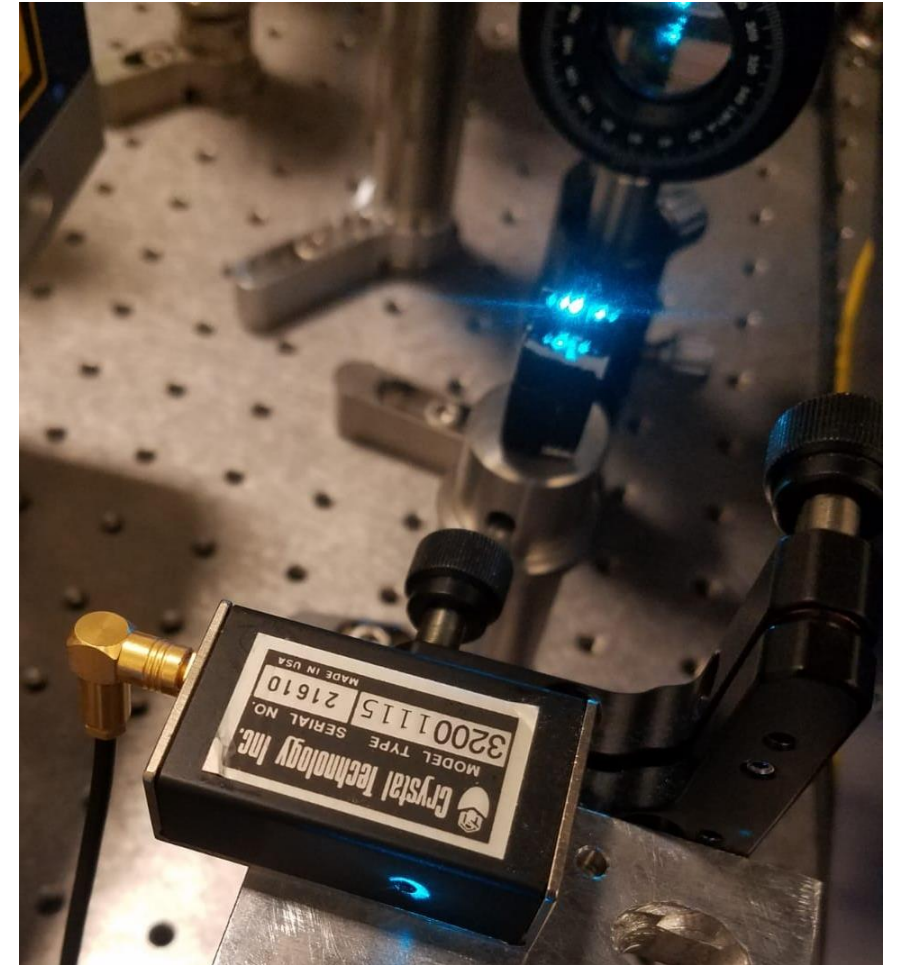
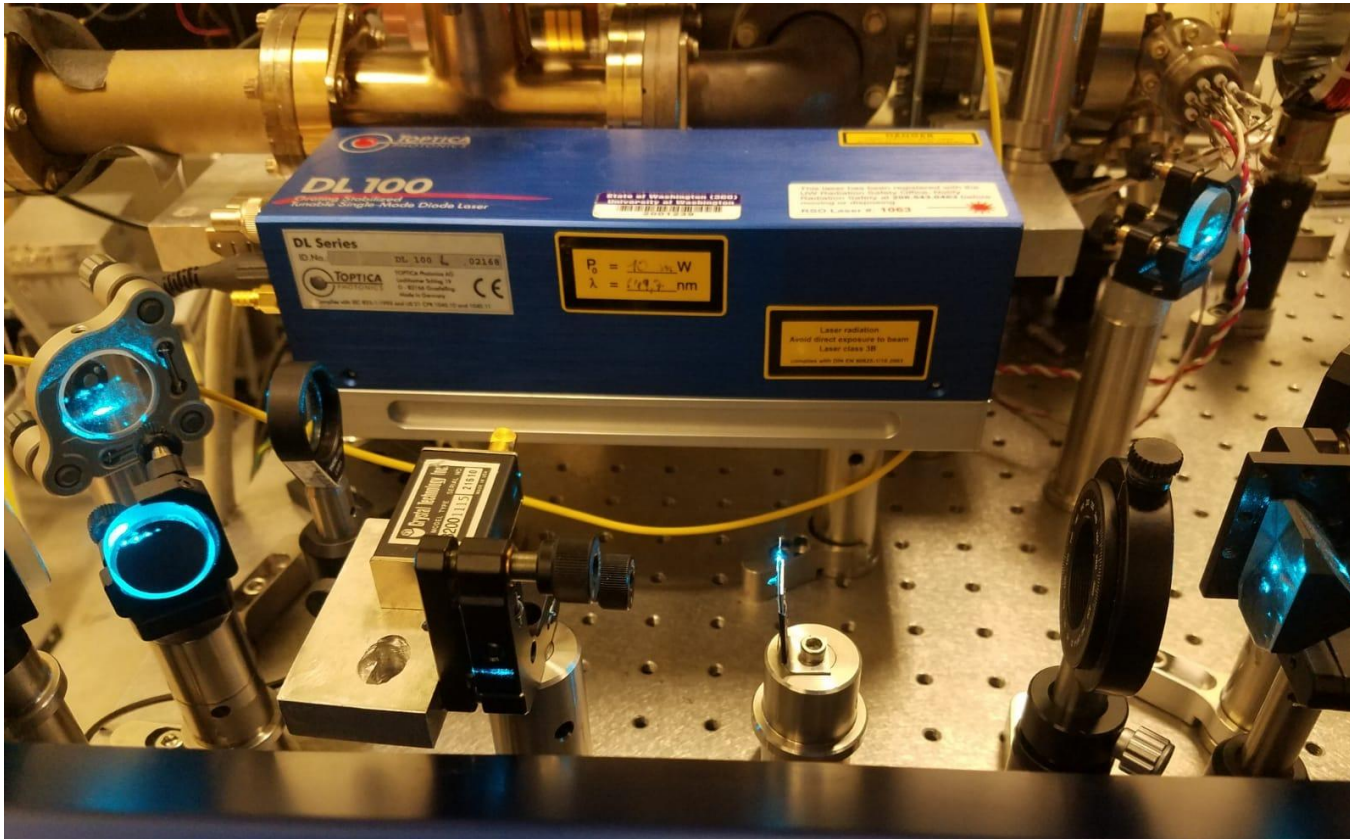
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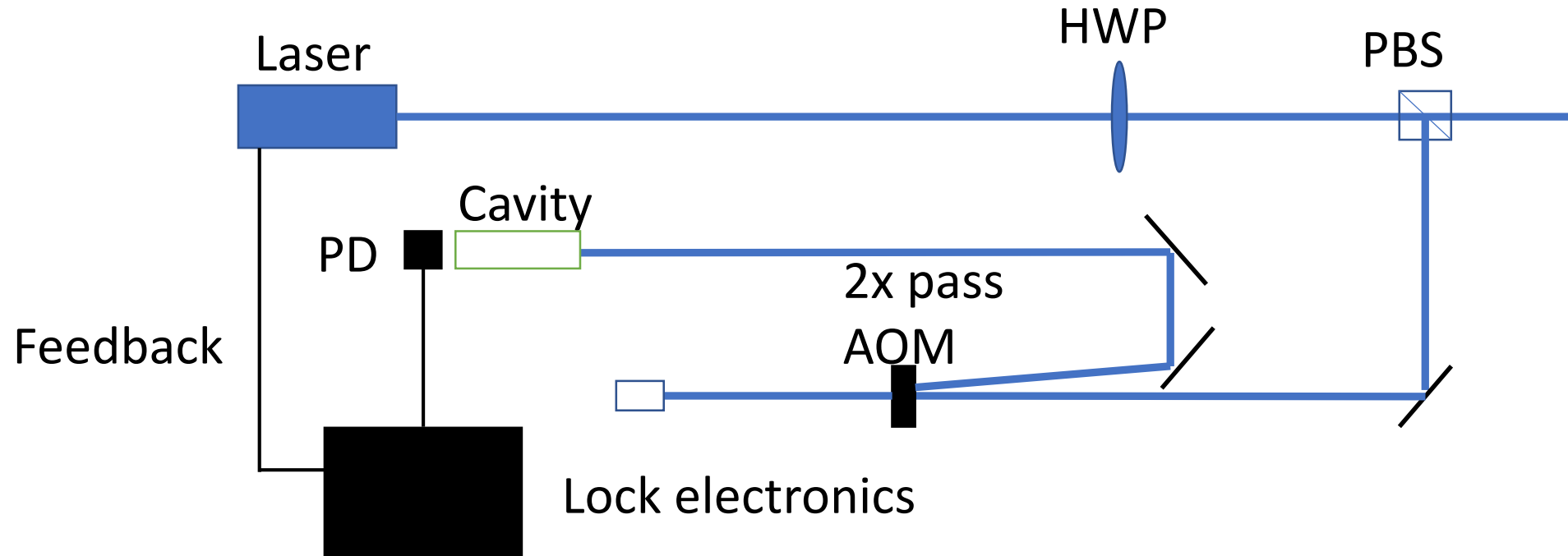
Temperature and Current Dependence



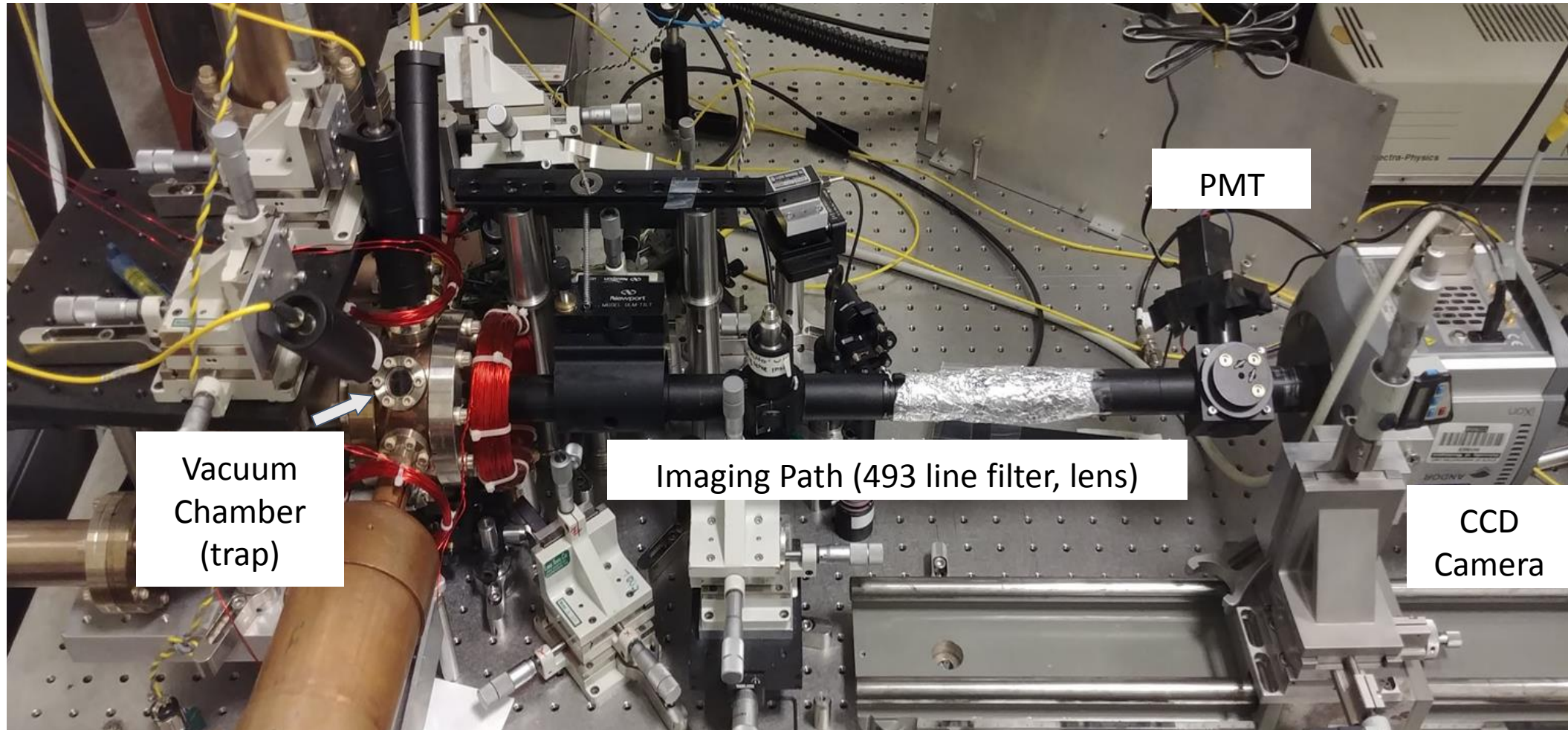
Laser Locking



Locking Scheme

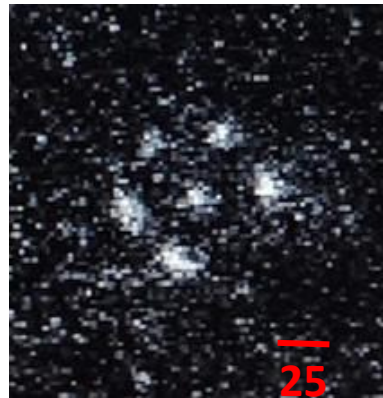
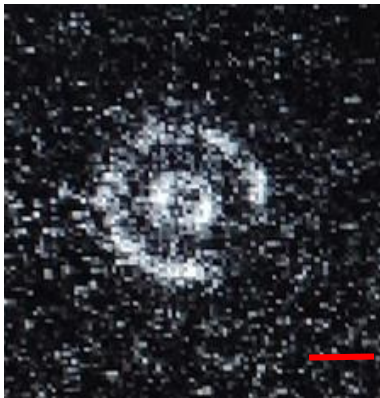
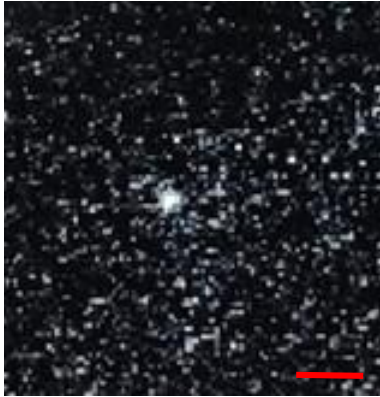


Ion trapping experimental Setup



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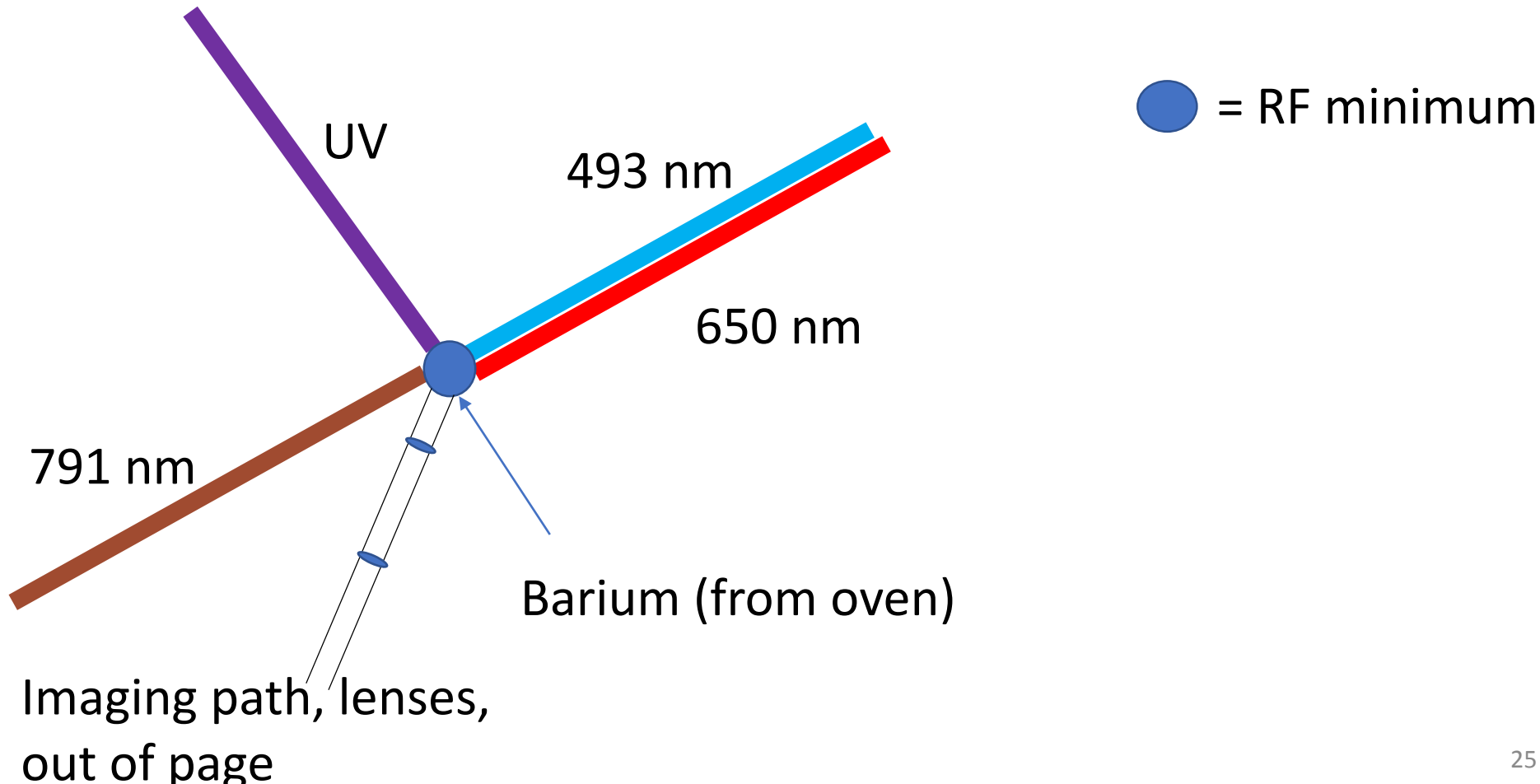
Ion pictures



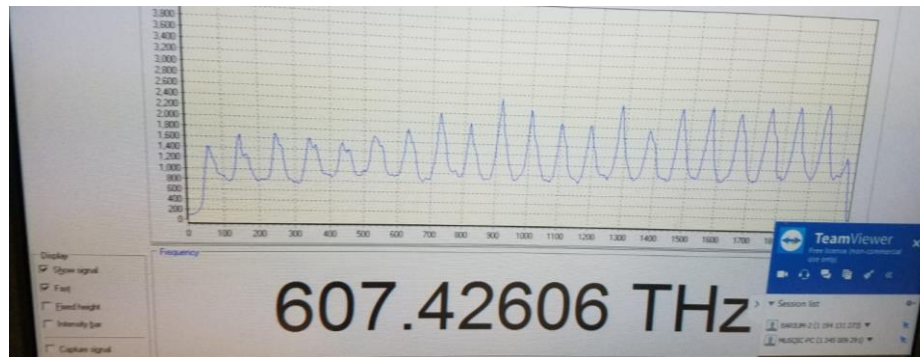
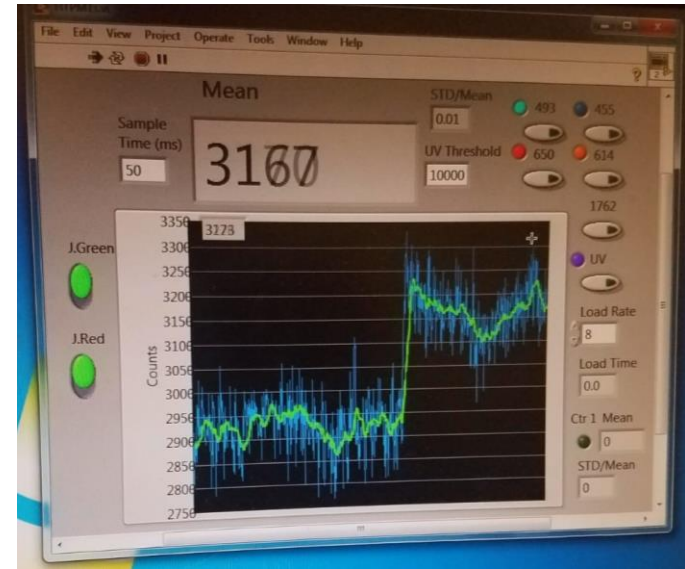
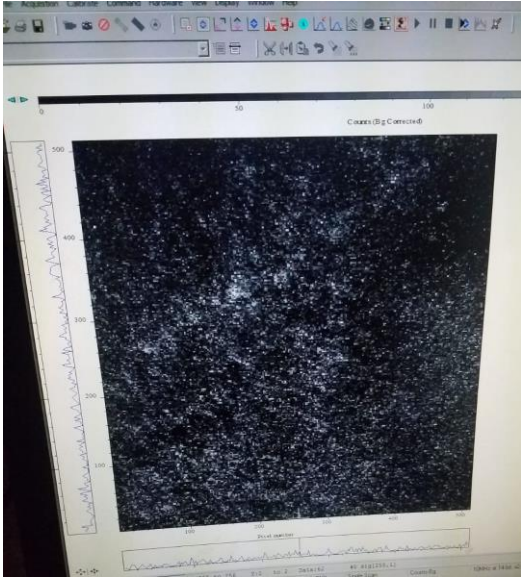
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The Perfect Combination



Searching for ions



Conclusion

- Ion trapping is non-trivial
- My laser allowed:
 - 2 orders of magnitude more power sent to the trap
 - Will allow better visualization of ions, less sensitive to frequency shifts
 - Wider section of space can be visualized

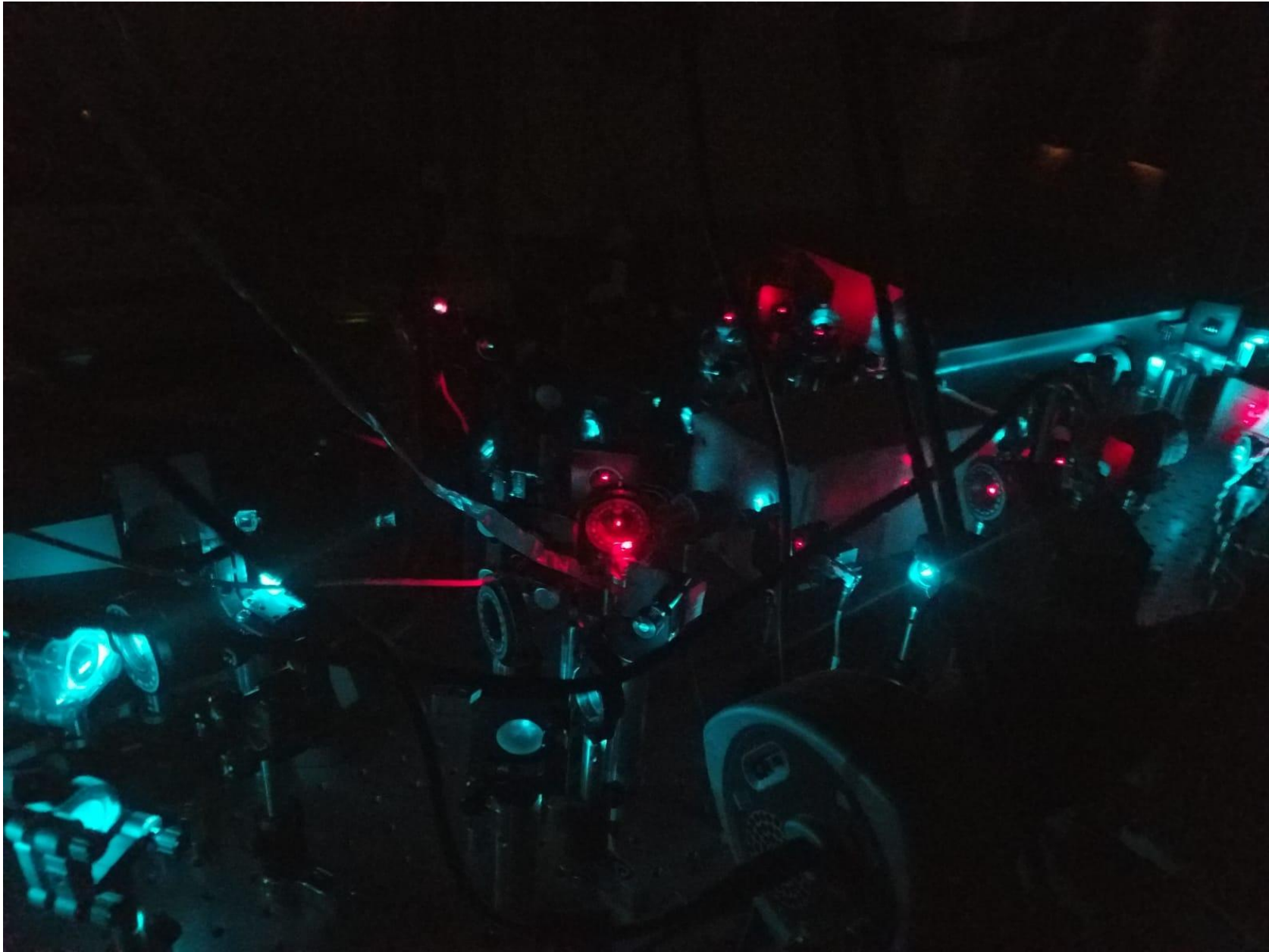
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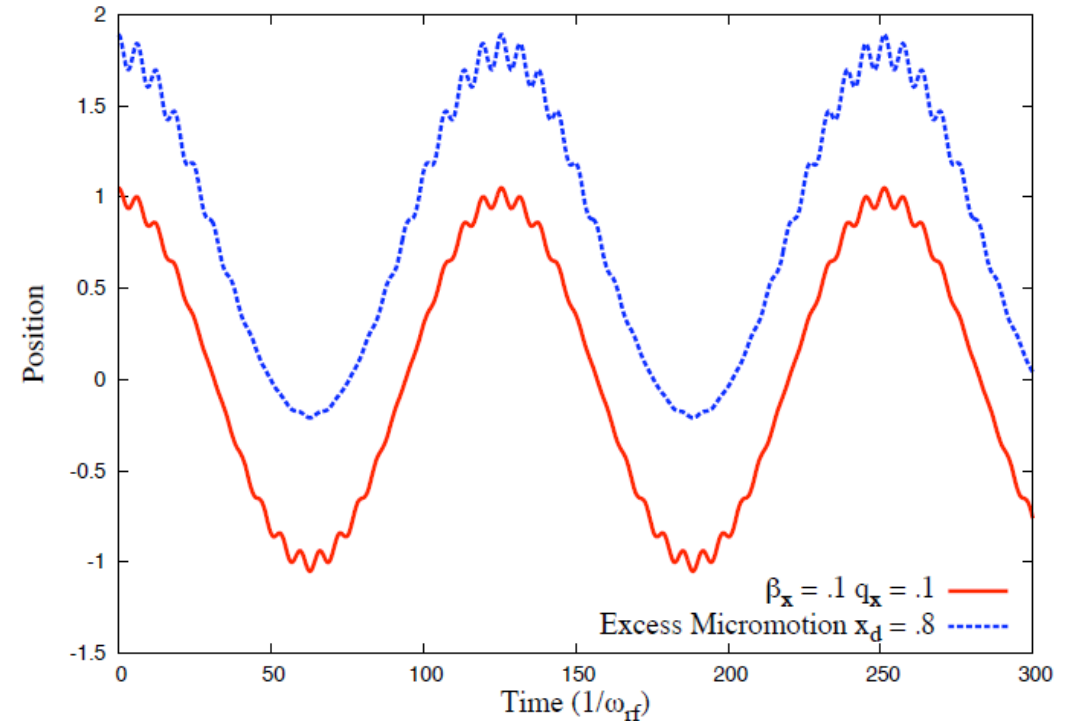




Secular and Micro Motions

$$x(t) = 2AC_0 \cos\left(\beta_x \frac{\omega_{\text{rf}} t}{2}\right) \left[1 - \frac{q_x}{2} \cos(\omega_{\text{rf}} t)\right]$$

$$\beta_x = \sqrt{a_x + q_x^2/2},$$



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