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Abstract:

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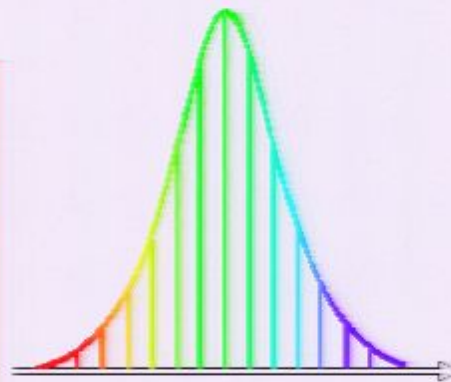
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Al+ clock

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Outline

- Optical clocks
- Hg^+ and Al^+ clock transition spectroscopy
- Measurement of $\text{Al}^+ / \text{Hg}^+$ ratio
- Al^+ and Hg^+ systematic uncertainties
- 3-ion gymnastics
- Future plans

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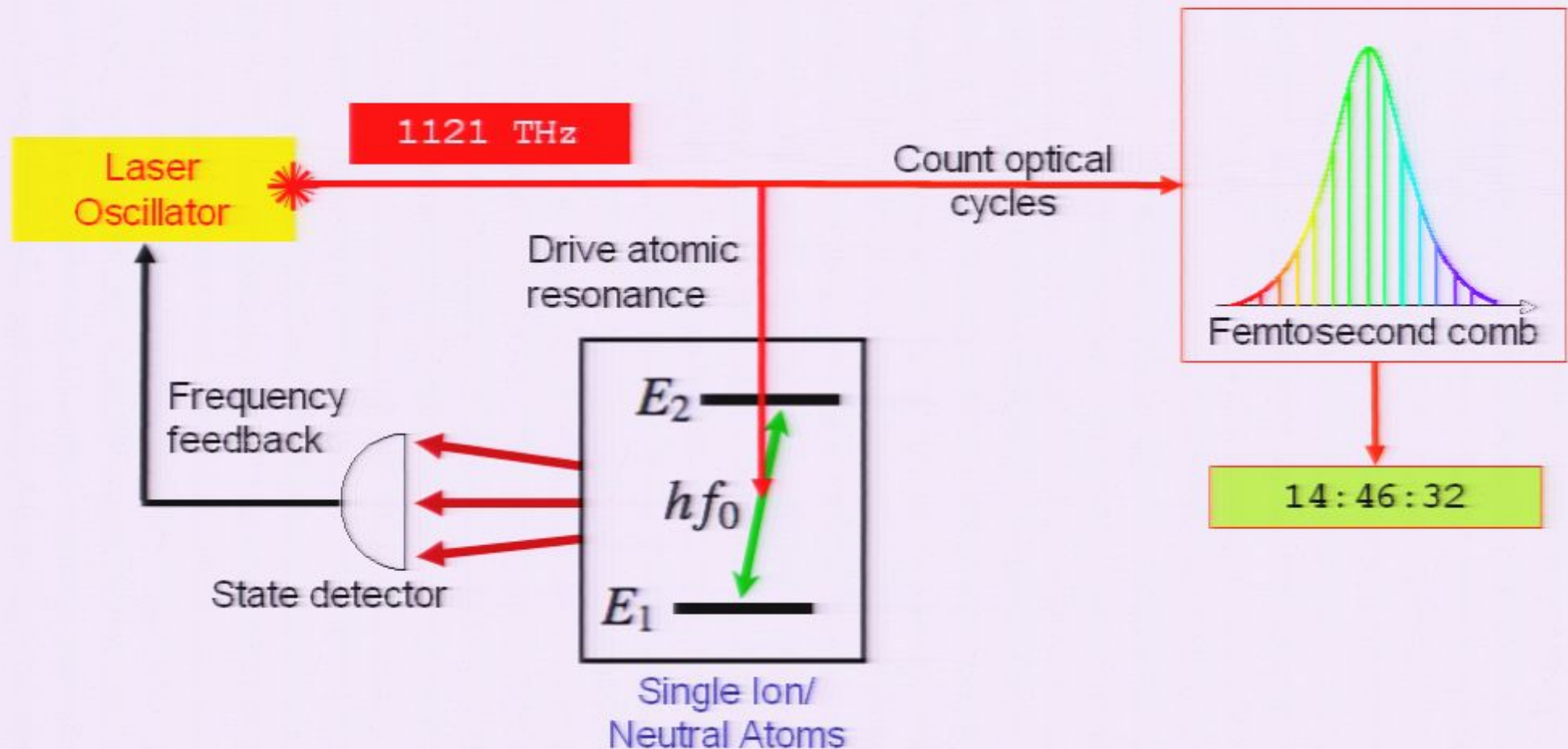
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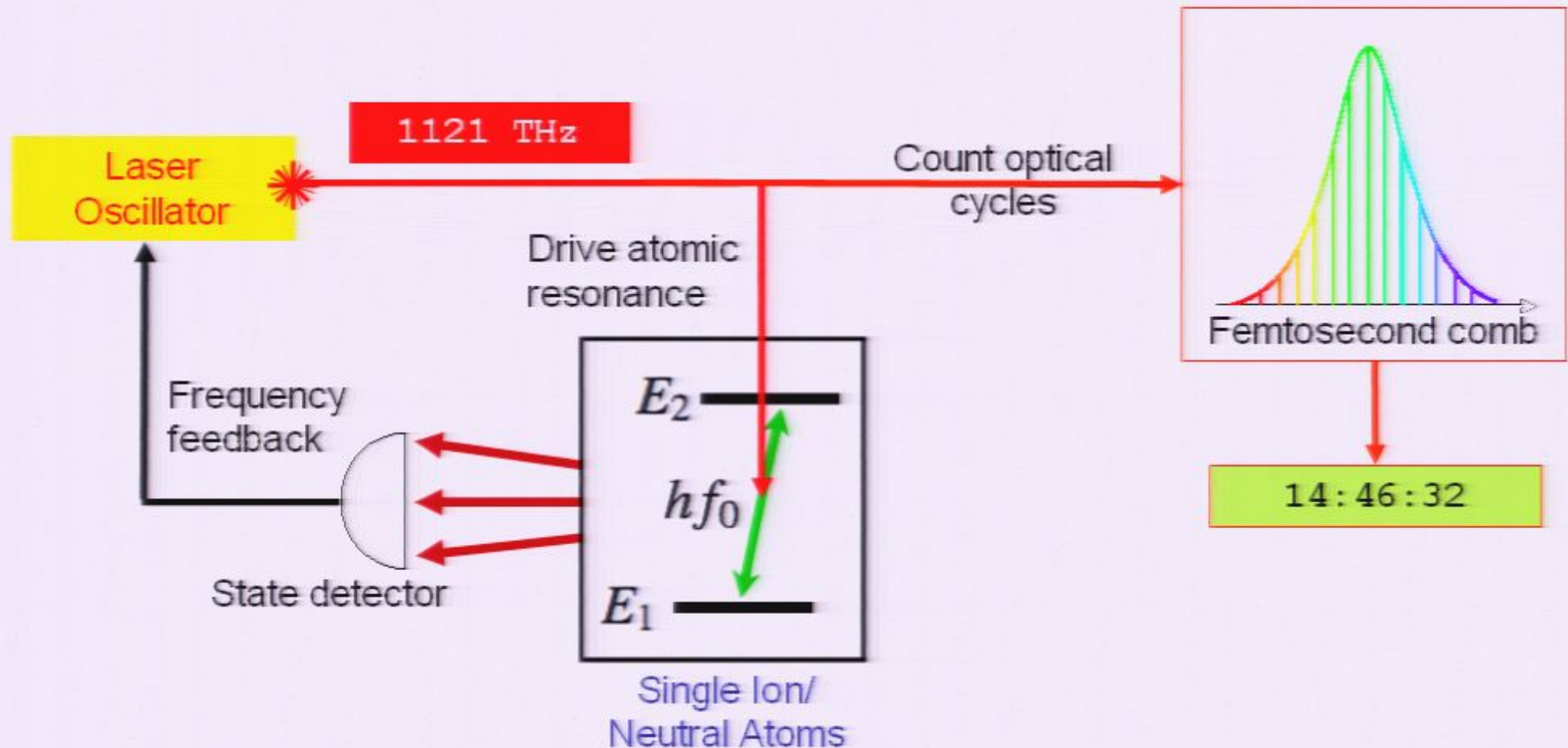
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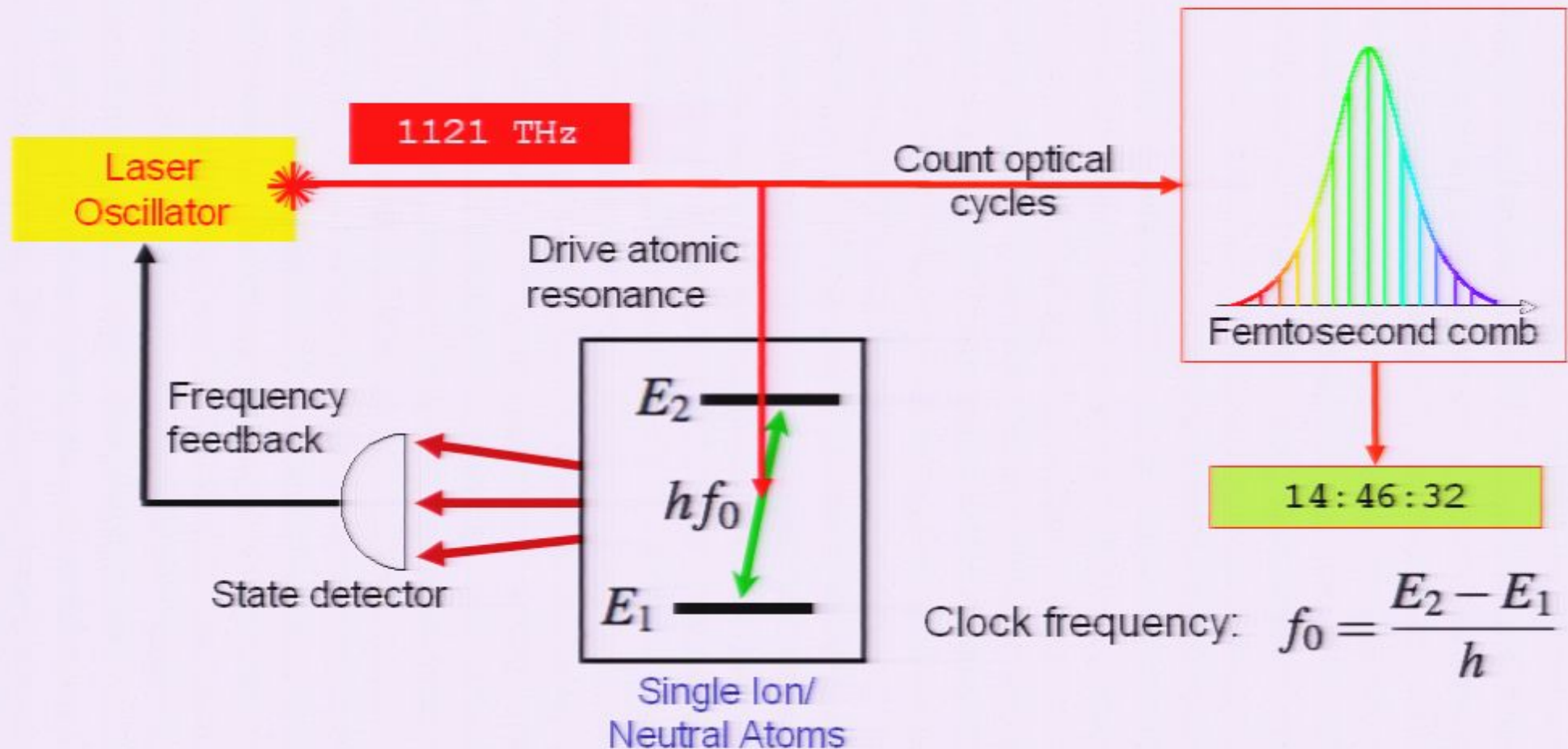
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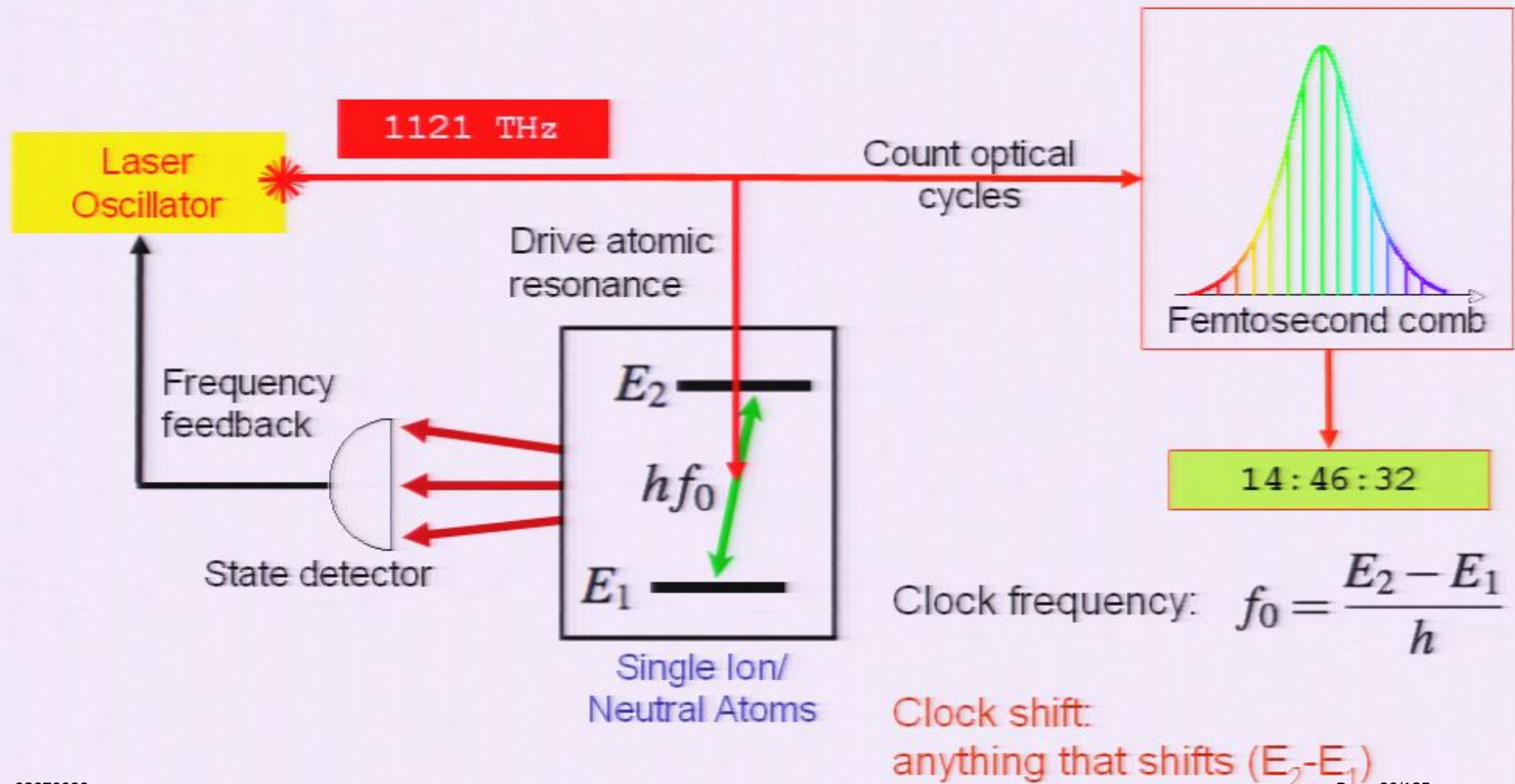
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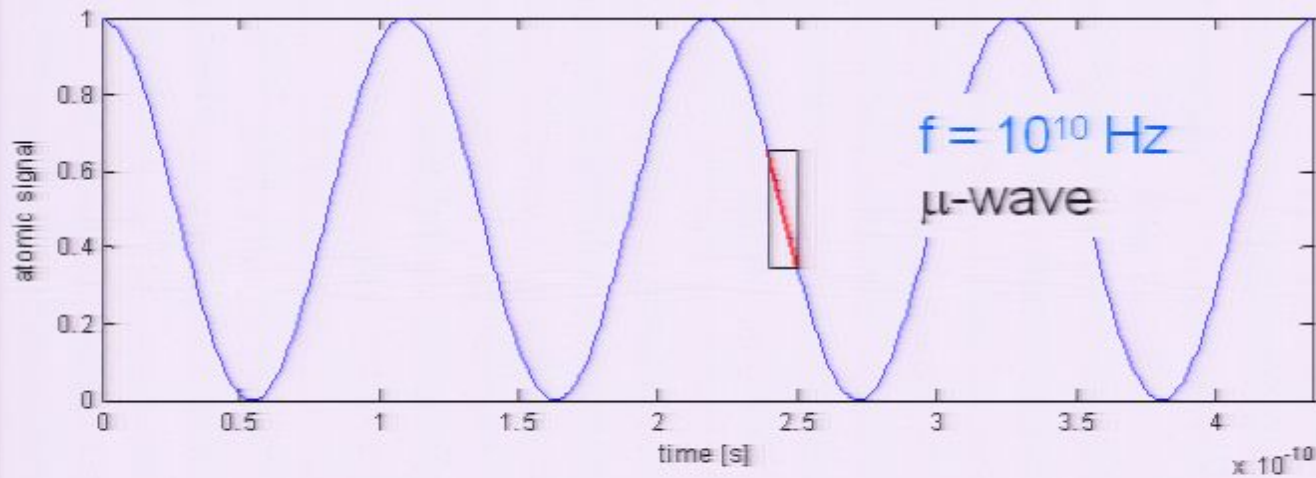
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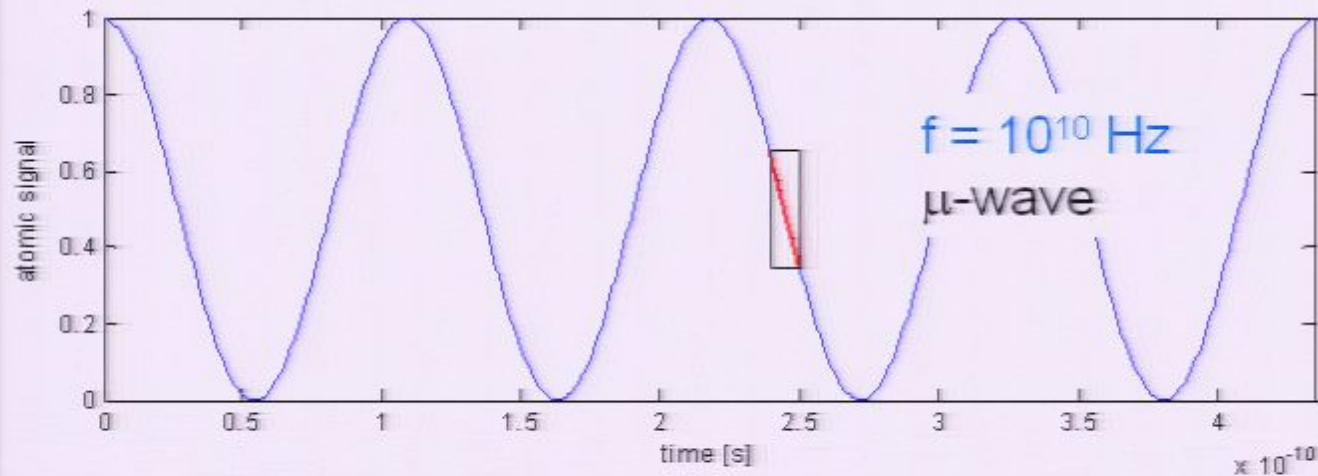
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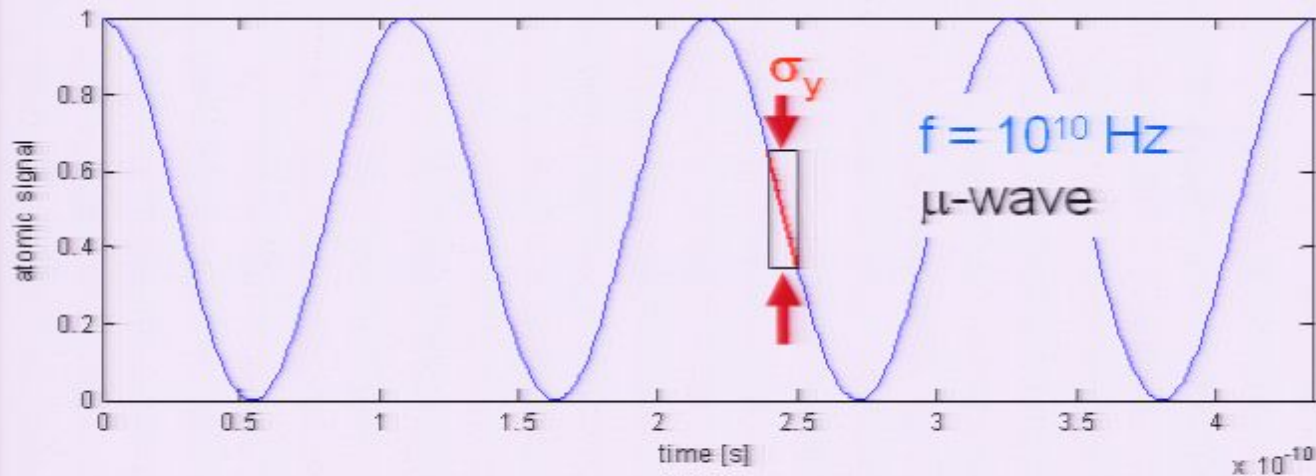


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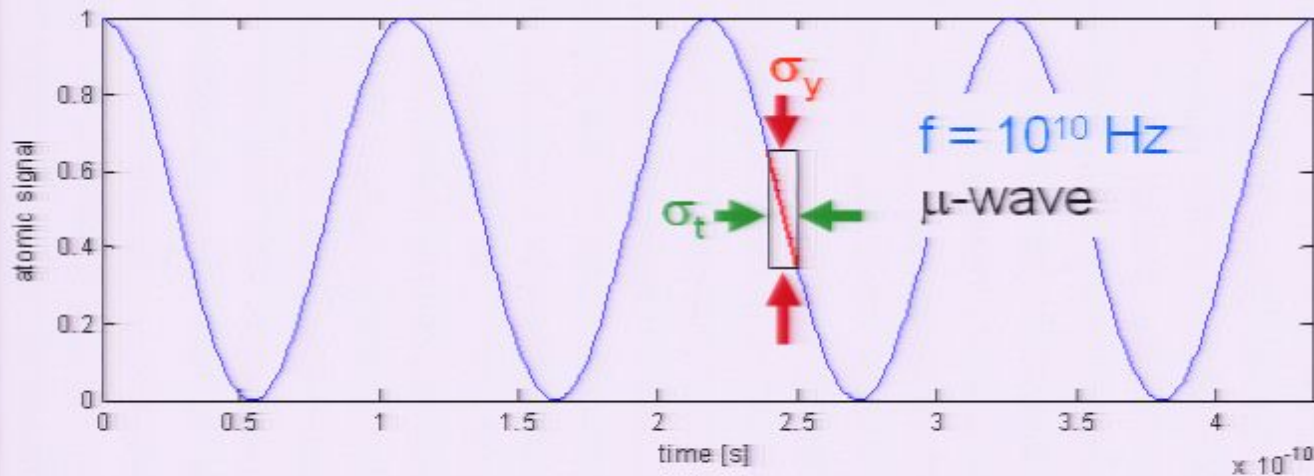
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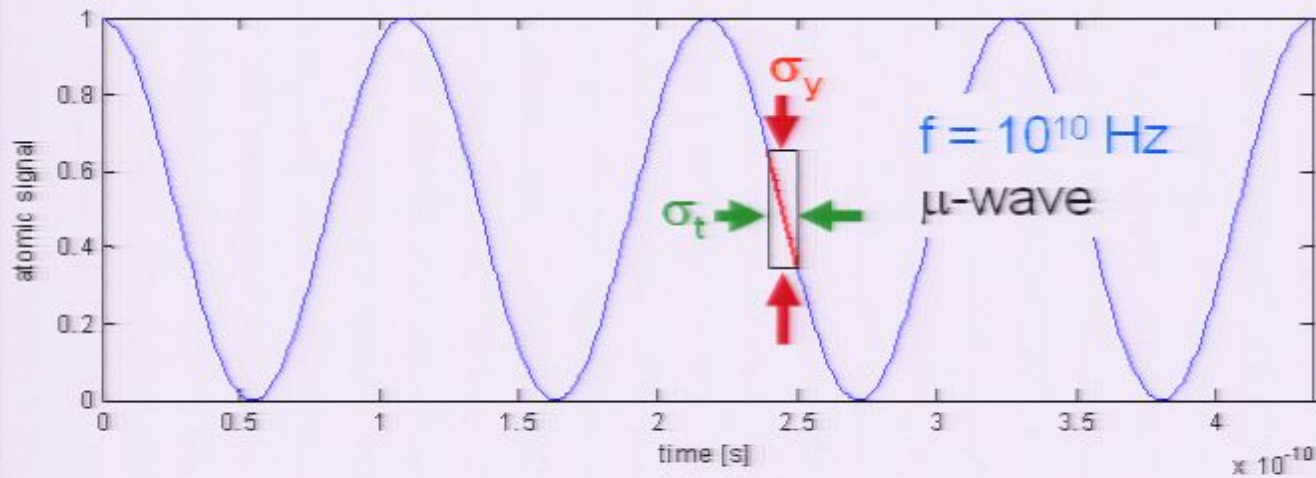
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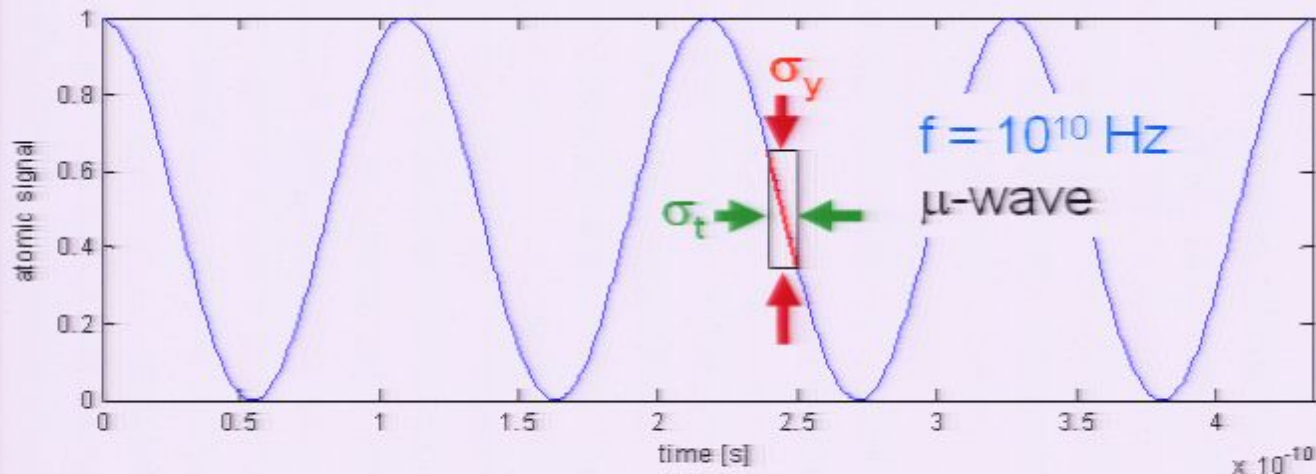
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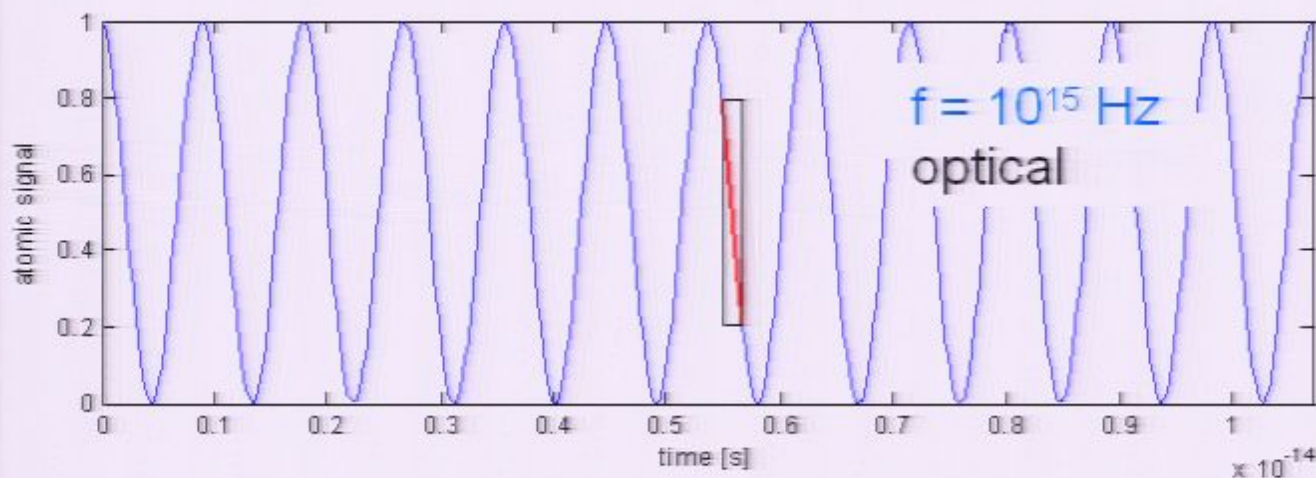


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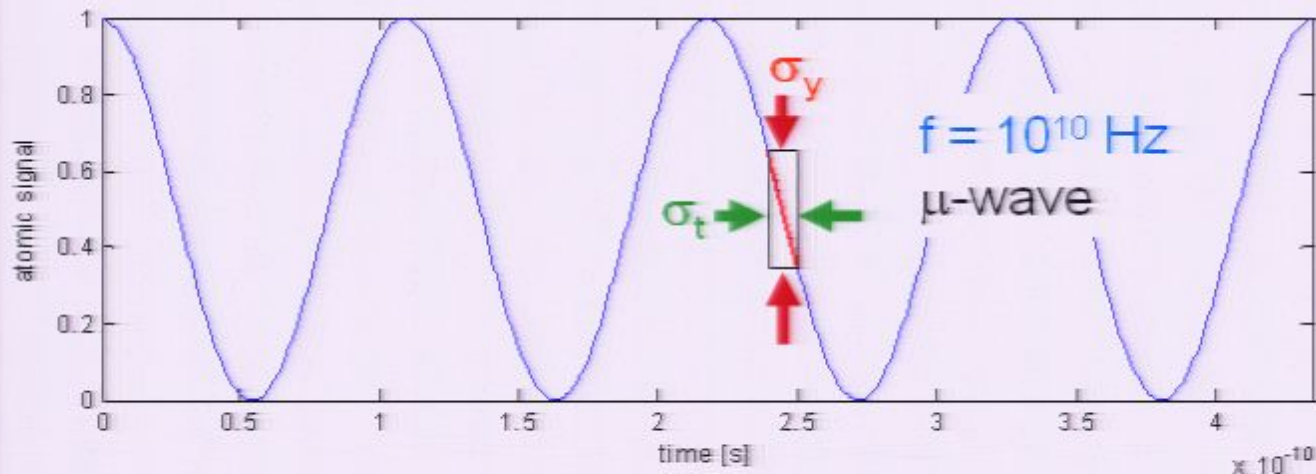
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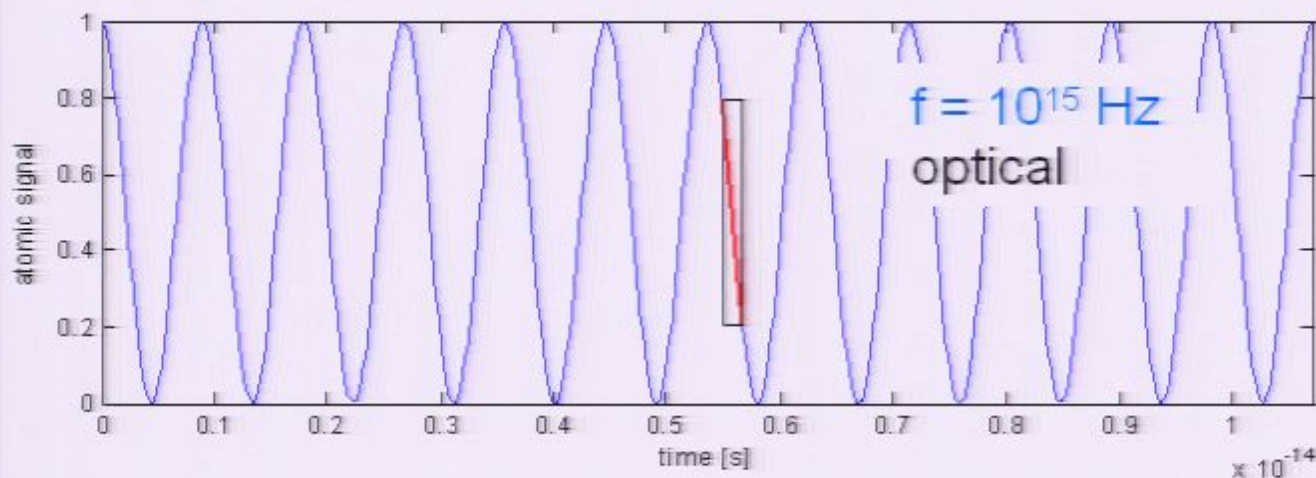
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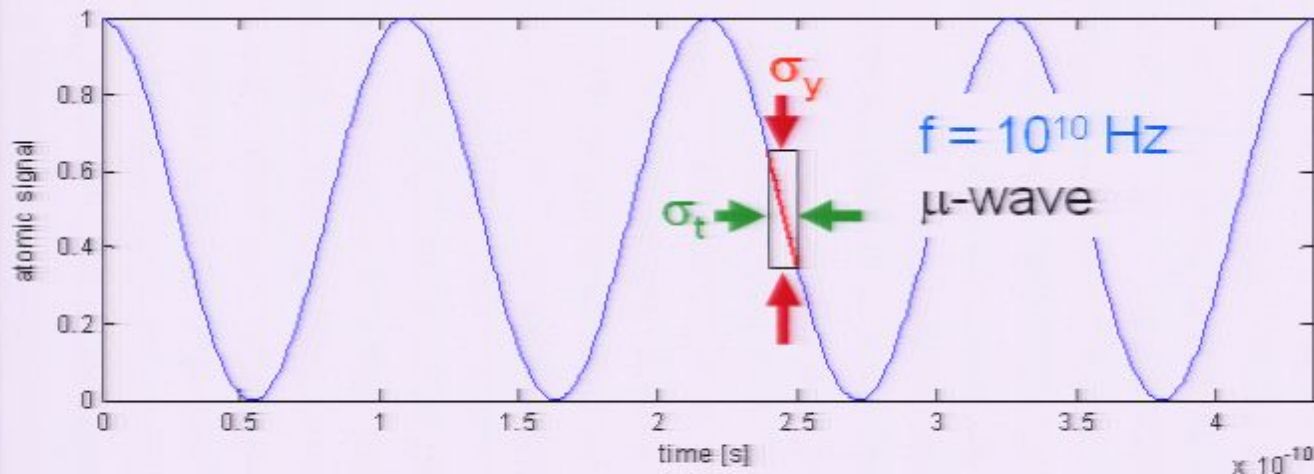


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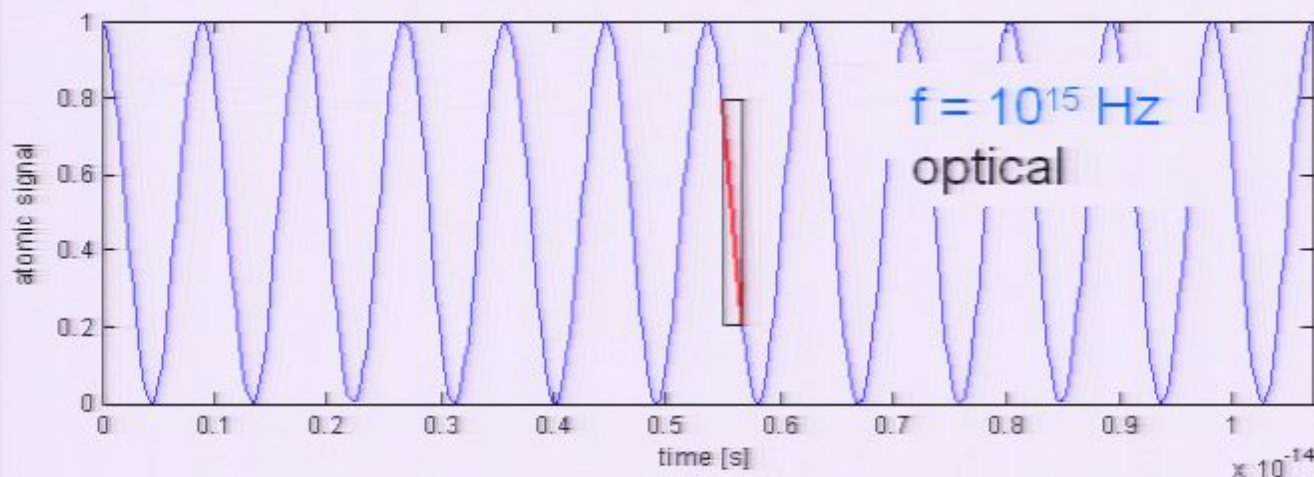


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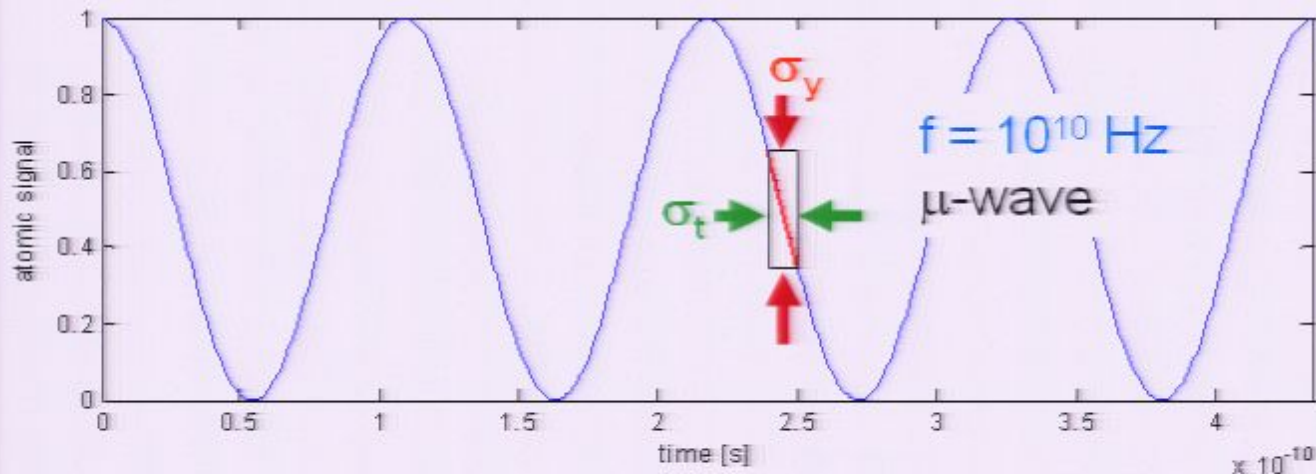


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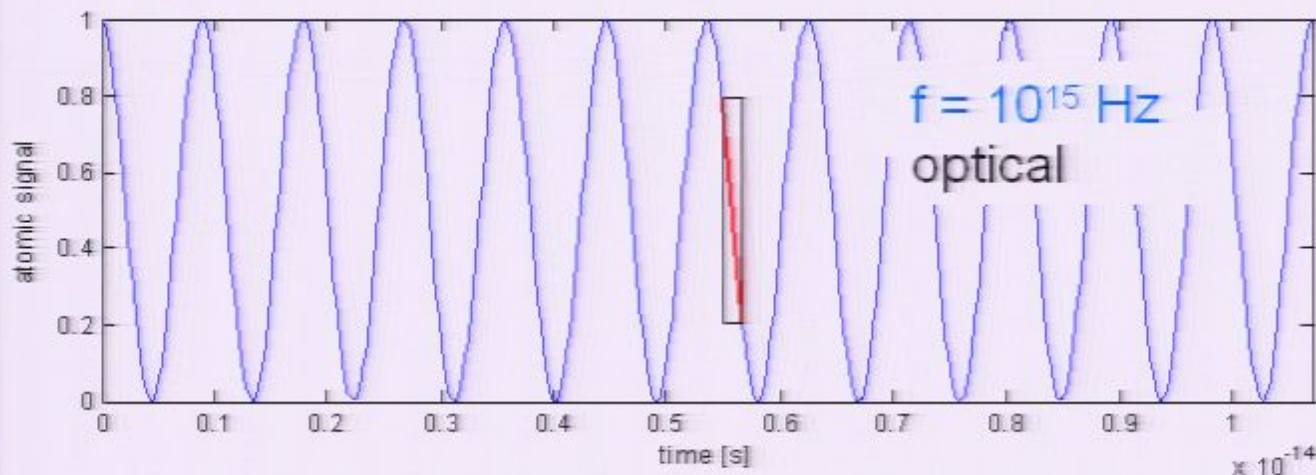


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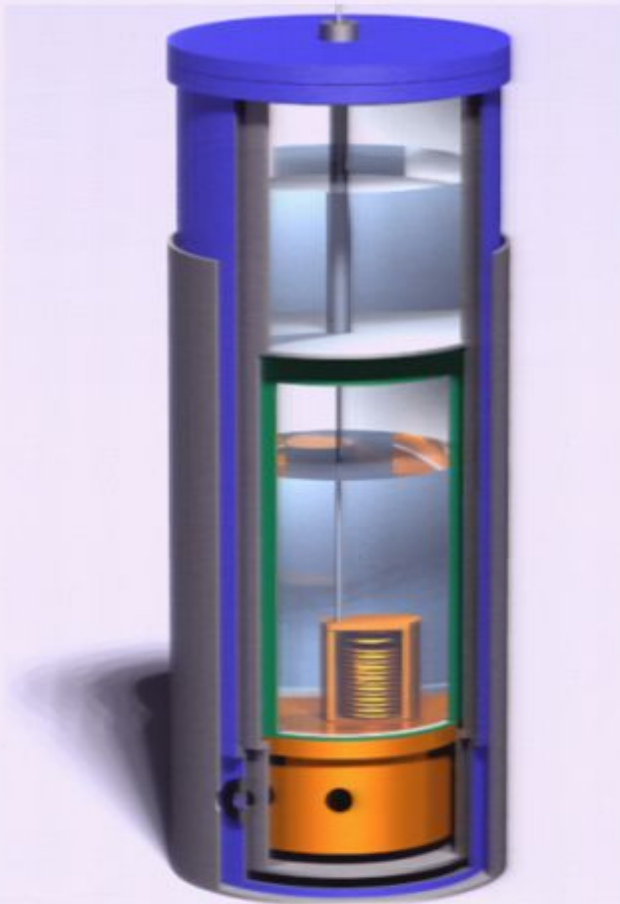


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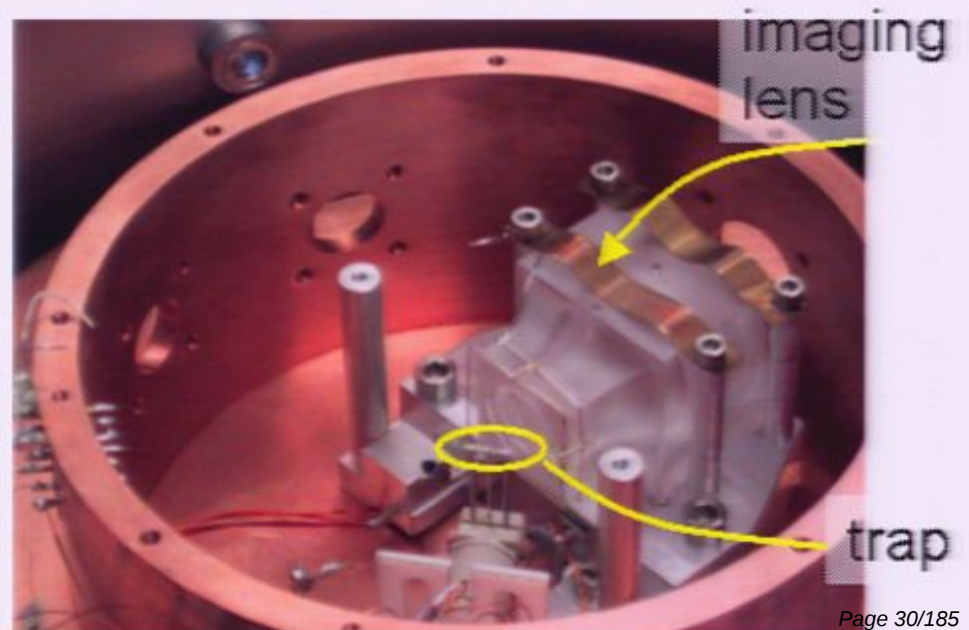
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$^{199}\text{Hg}^+$ ion trap

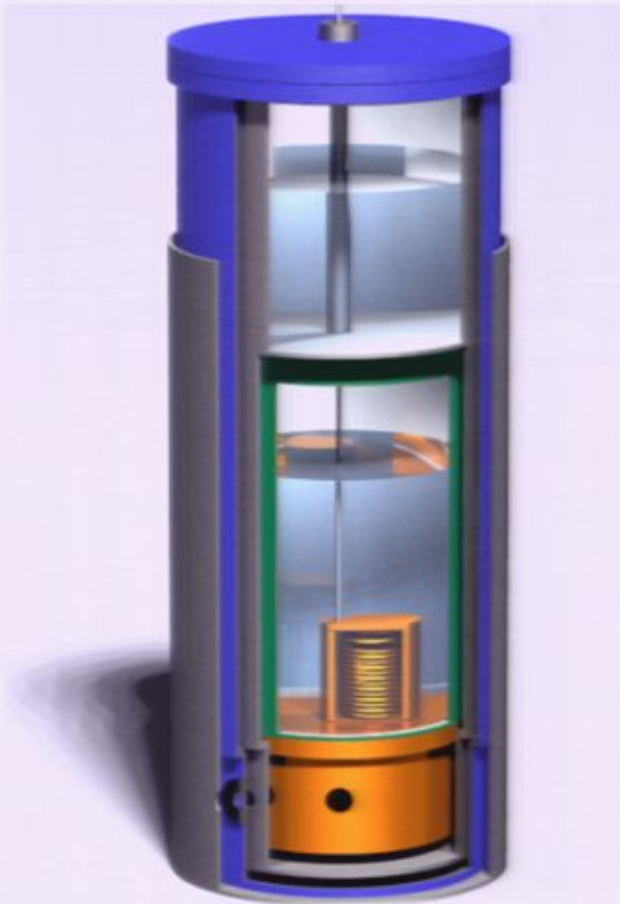


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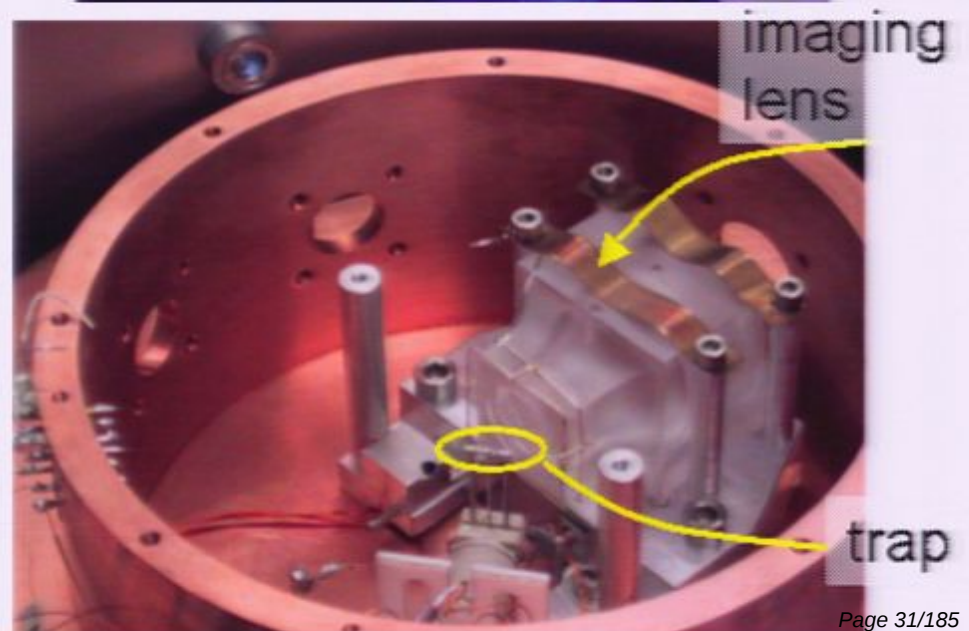
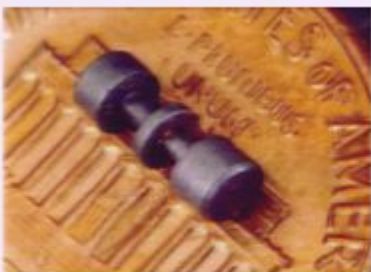
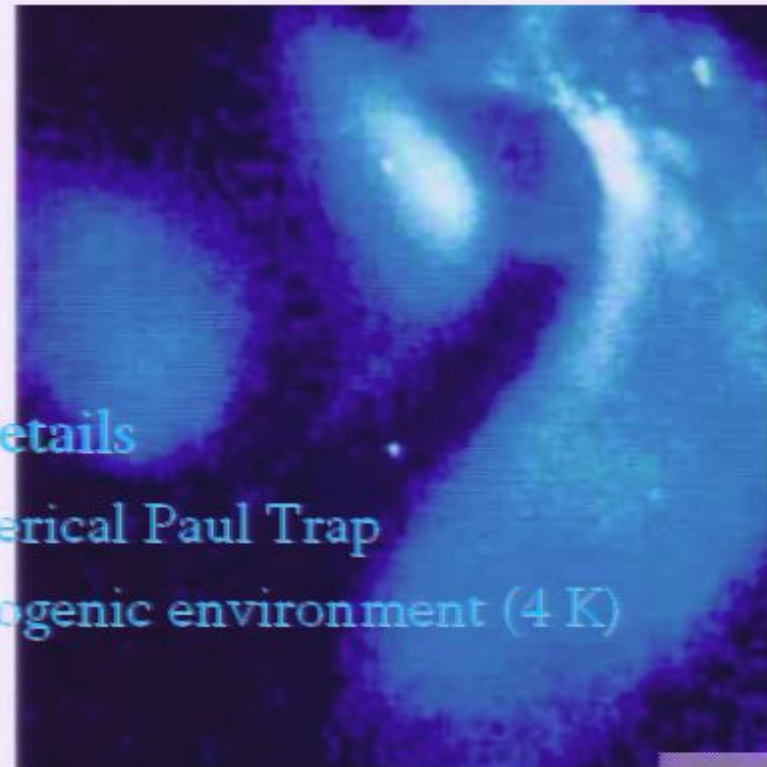


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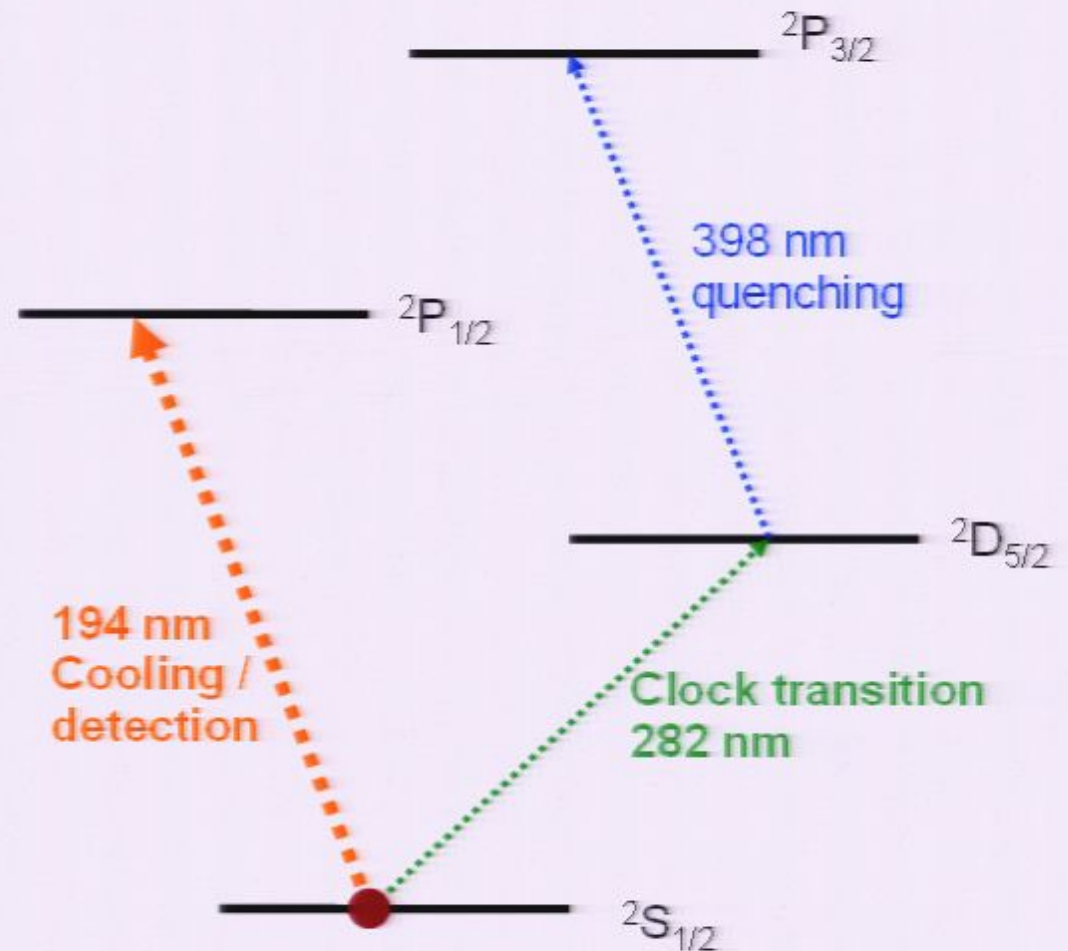


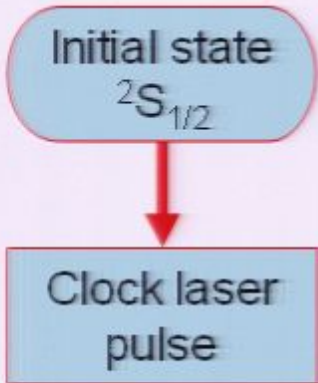
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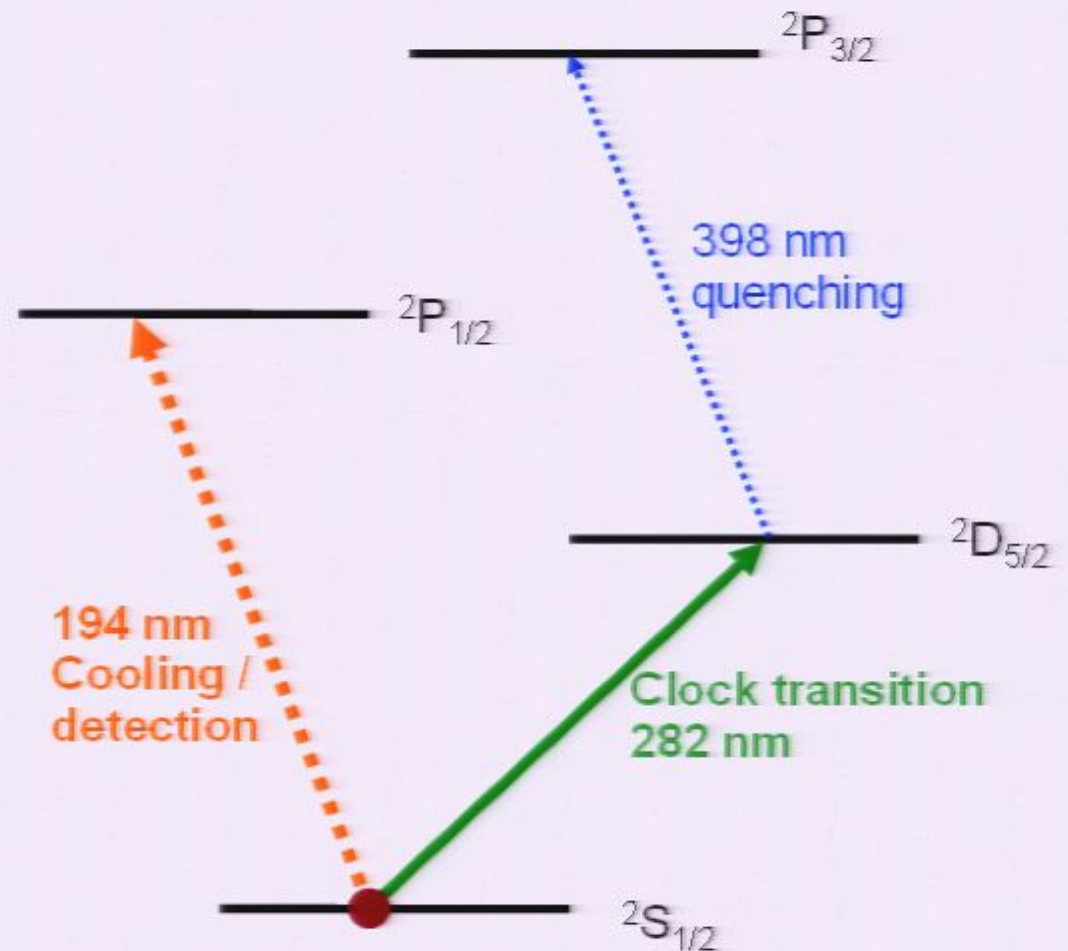




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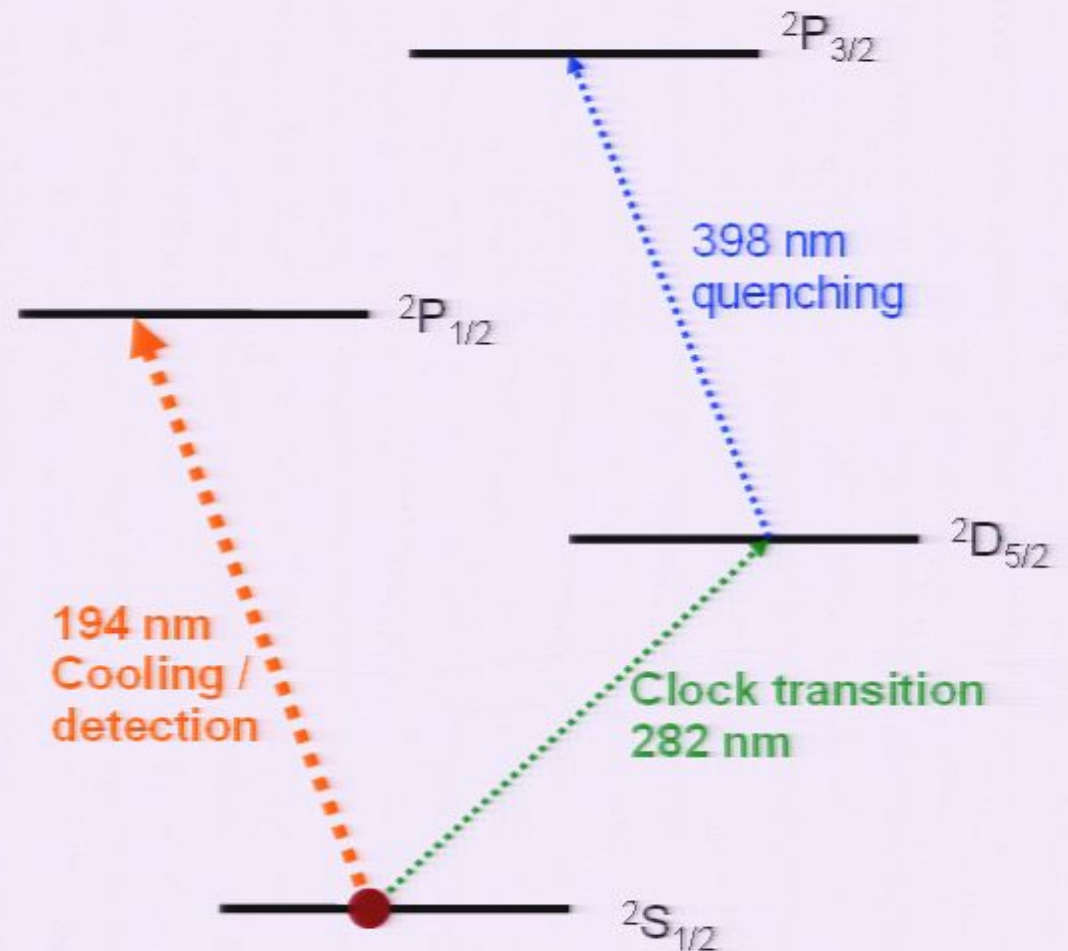
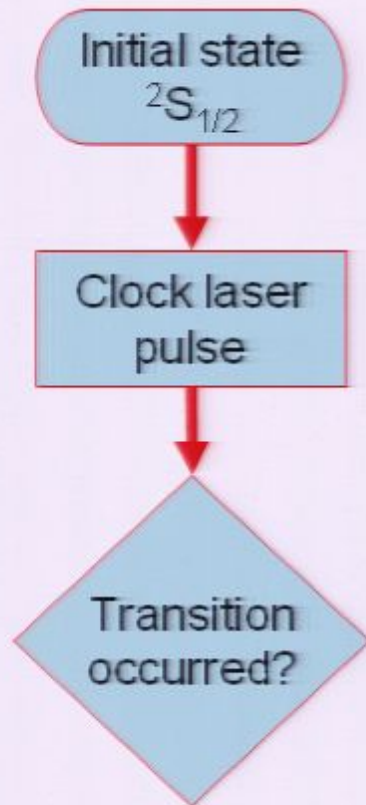
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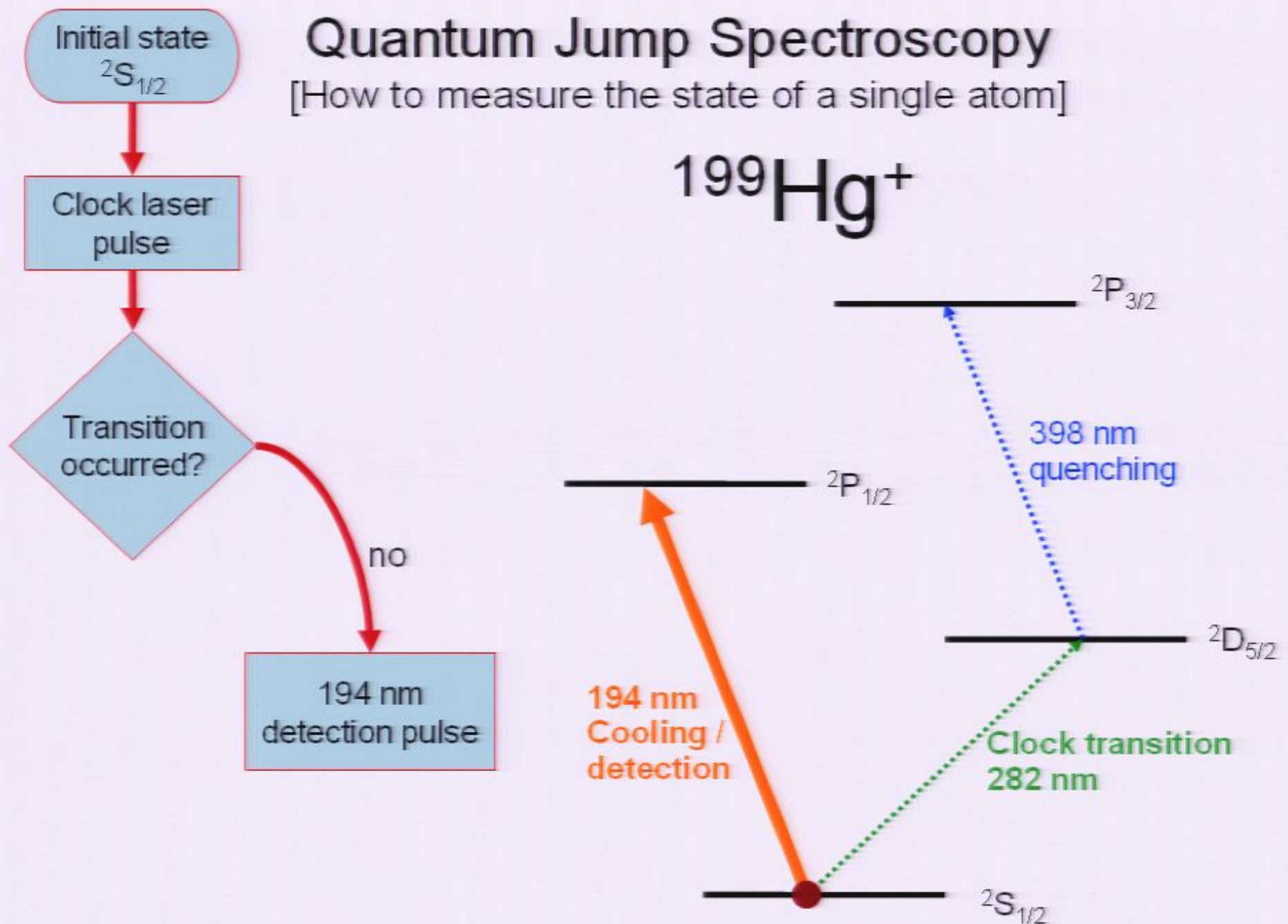
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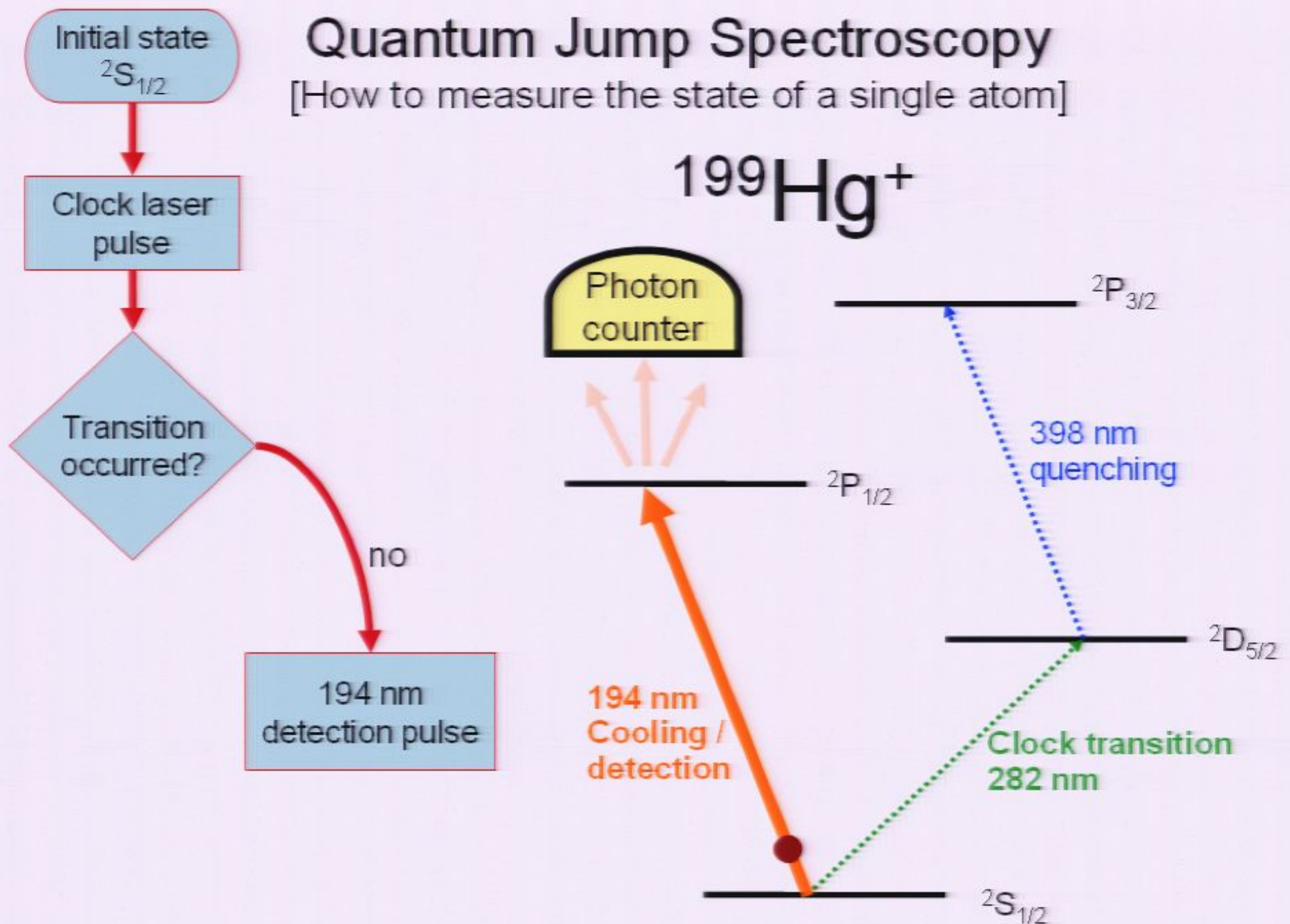
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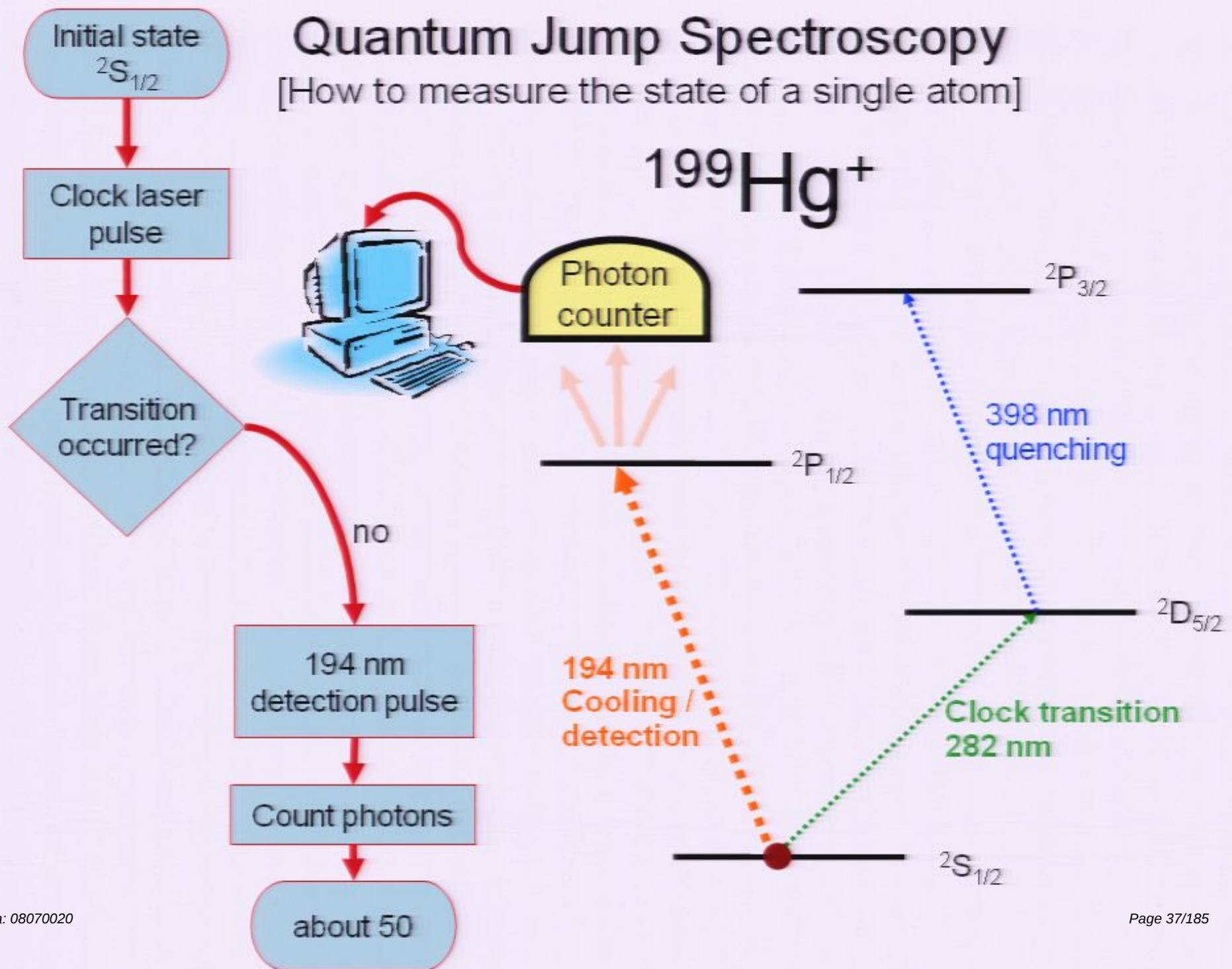
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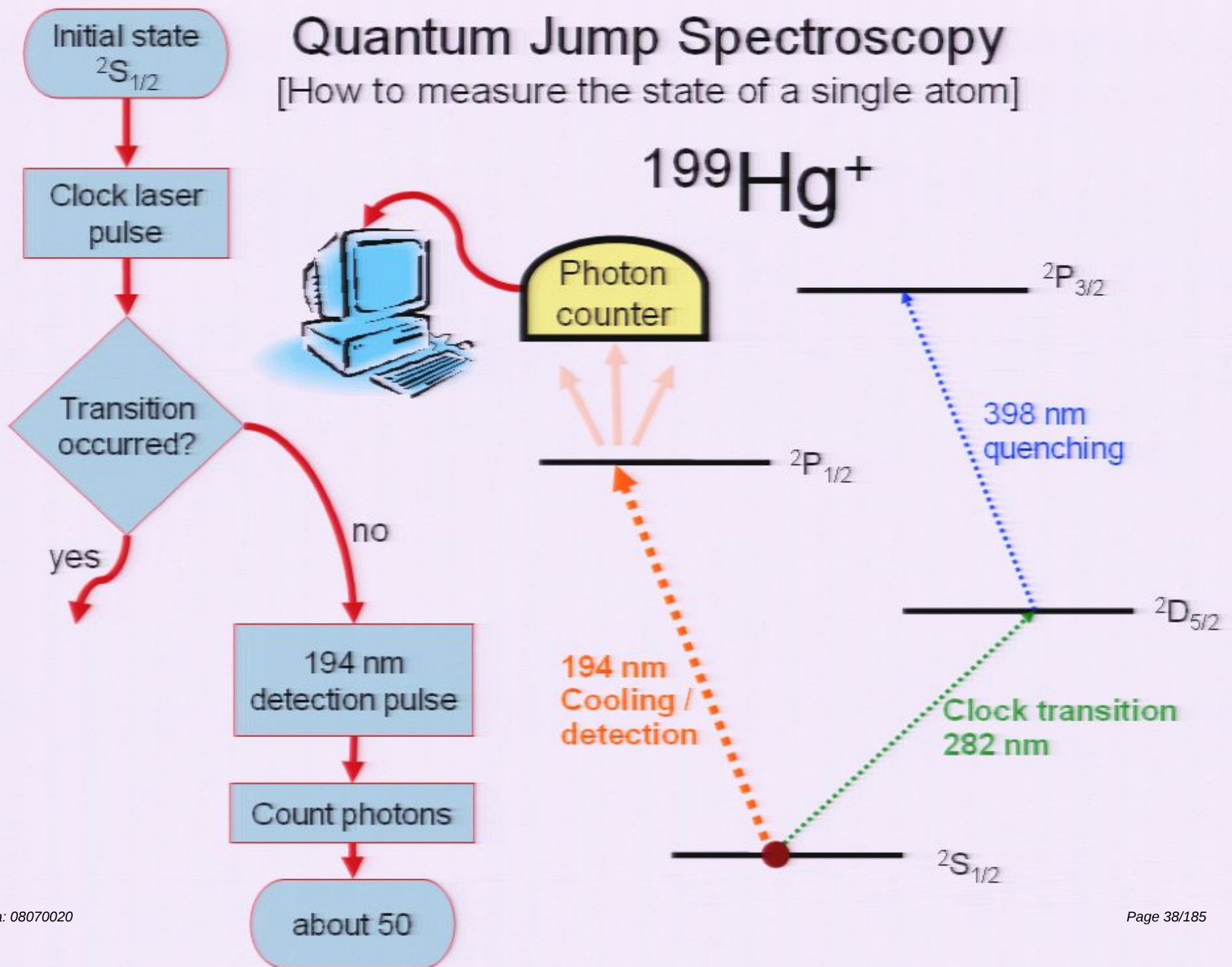
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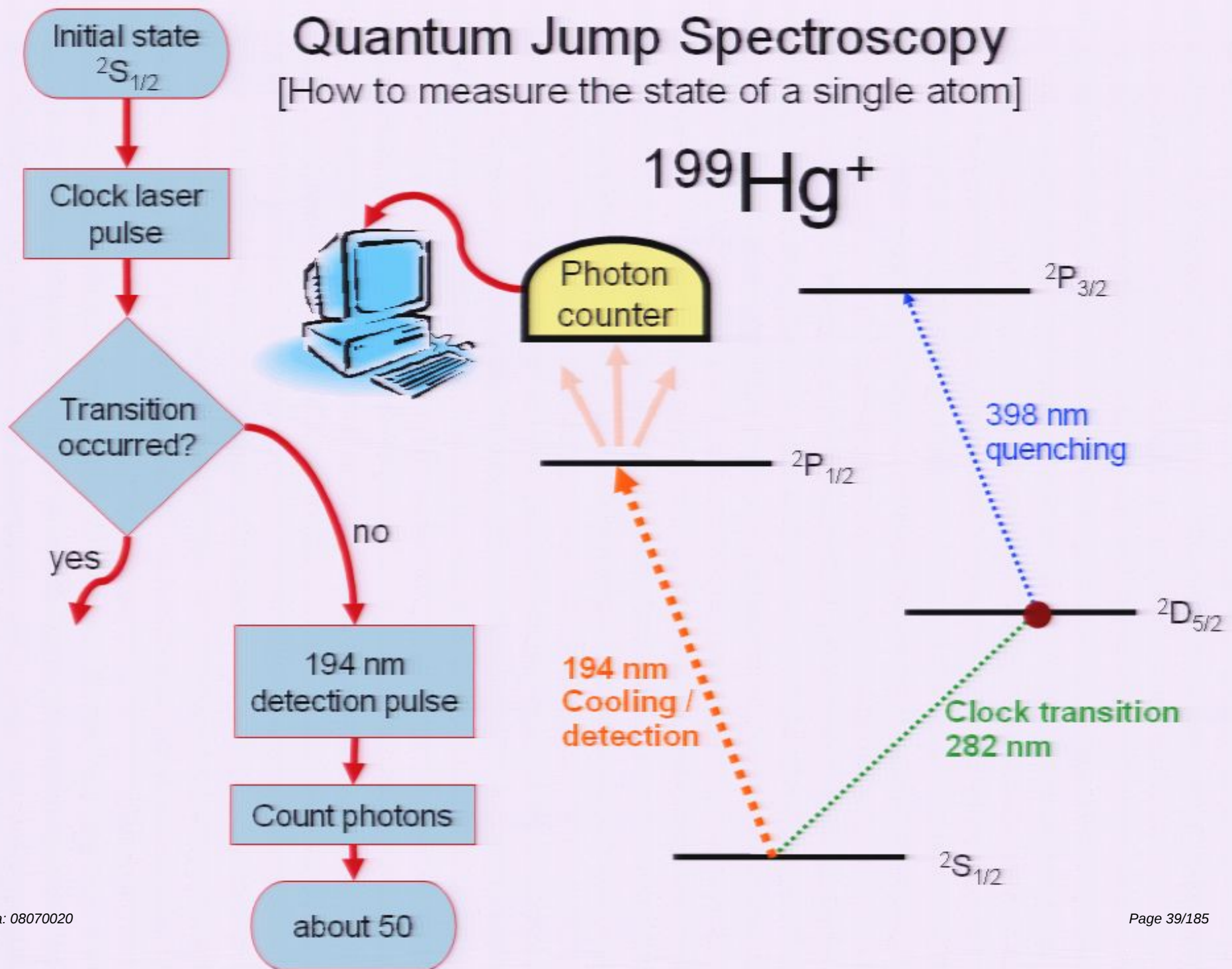
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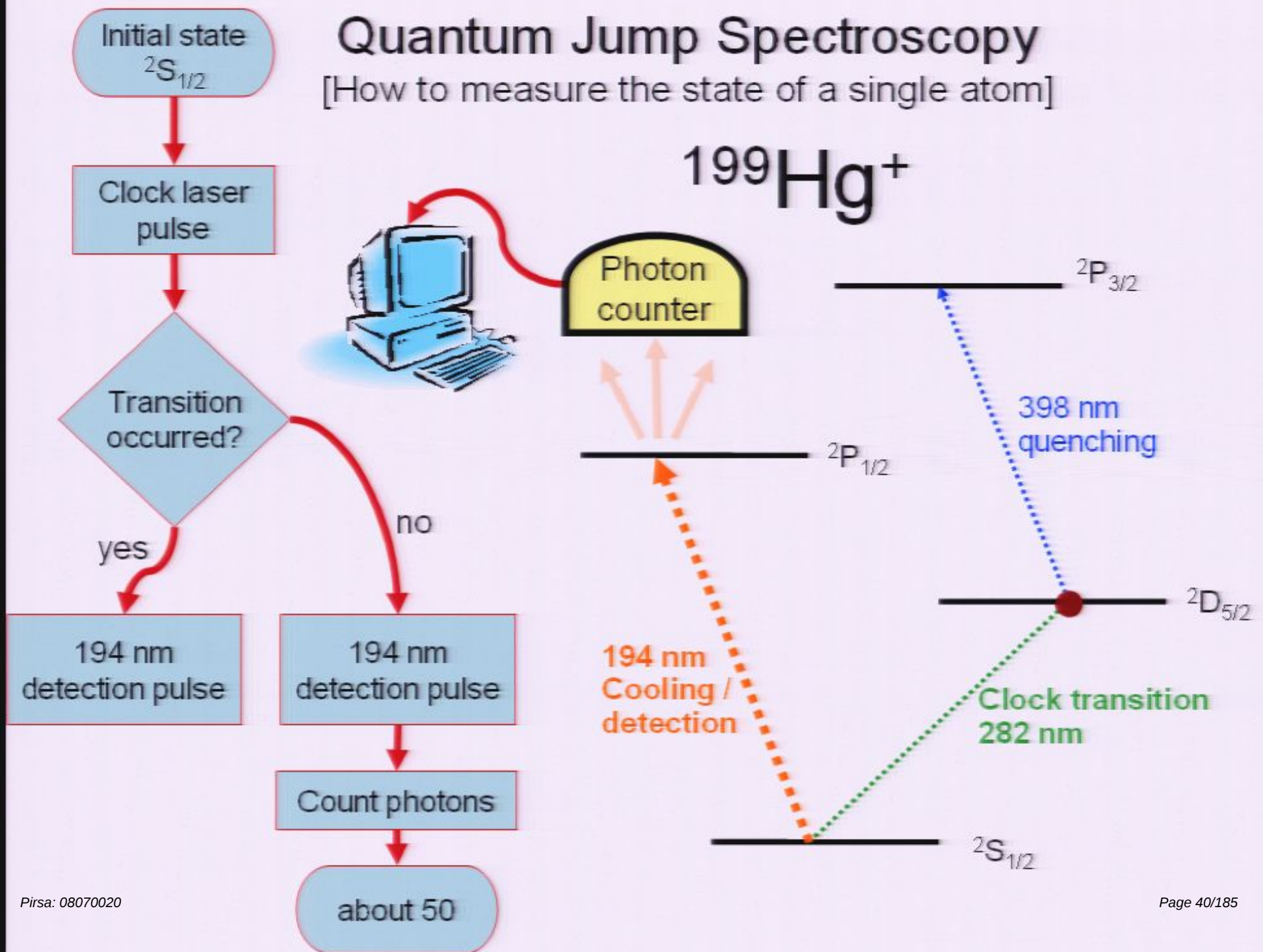
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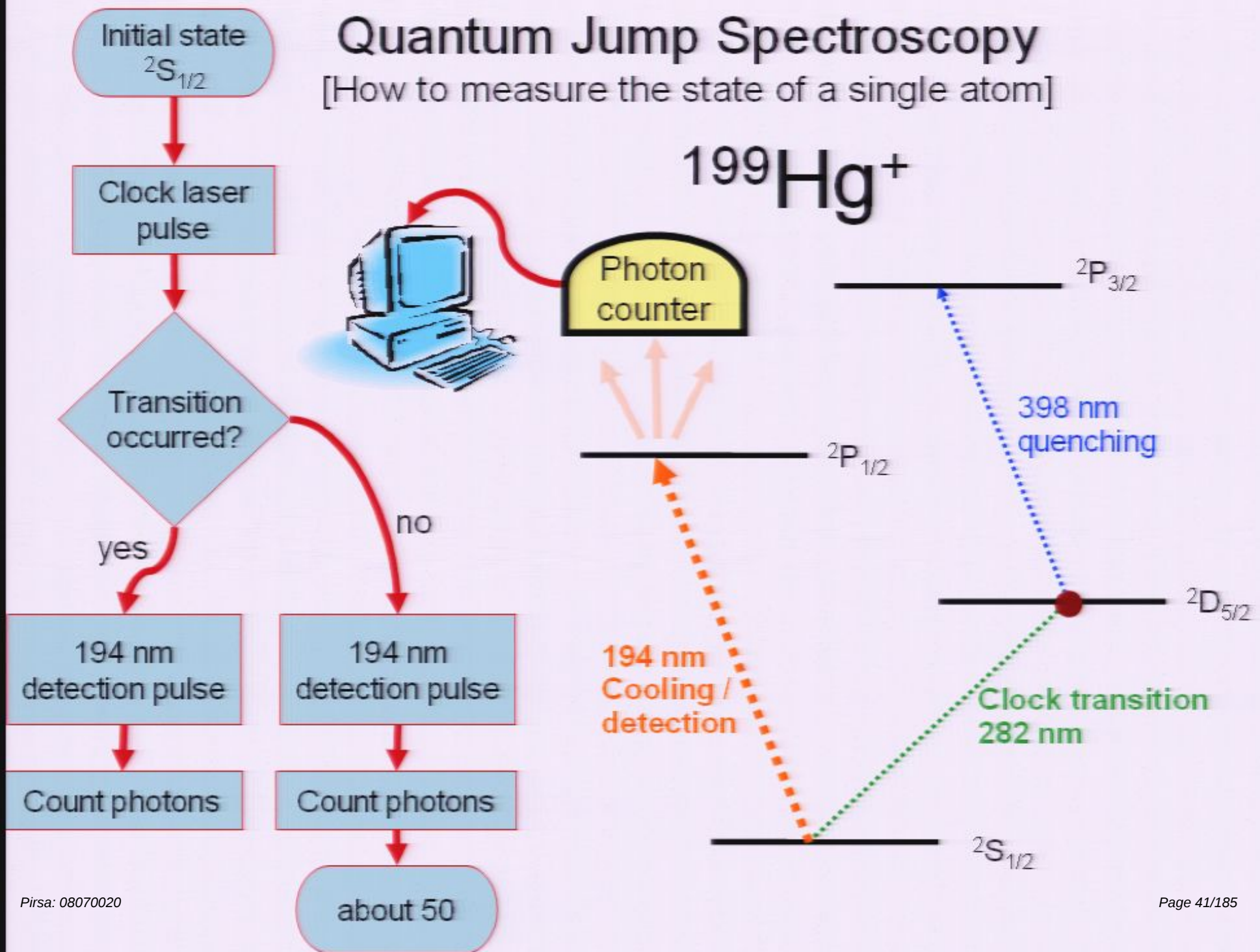
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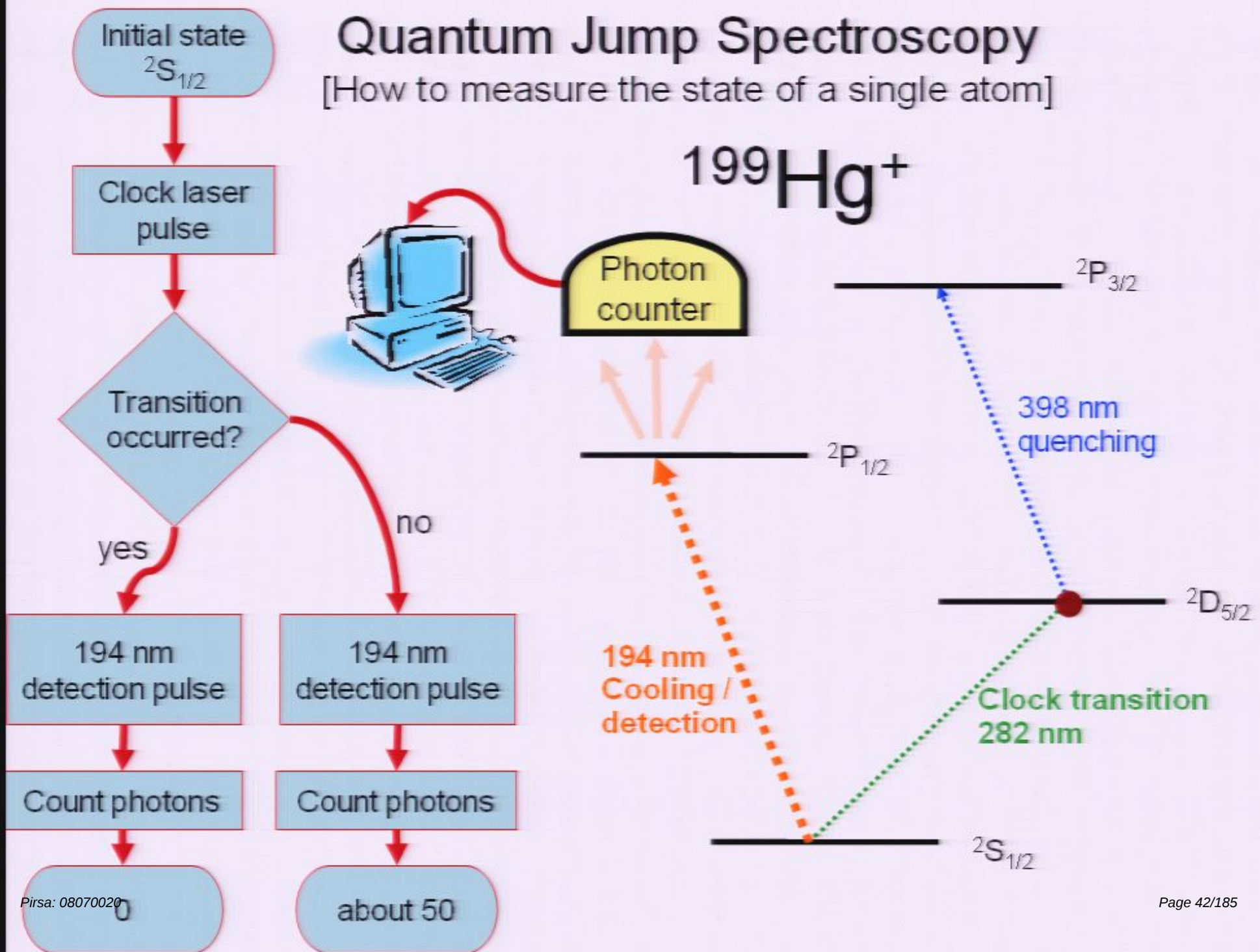
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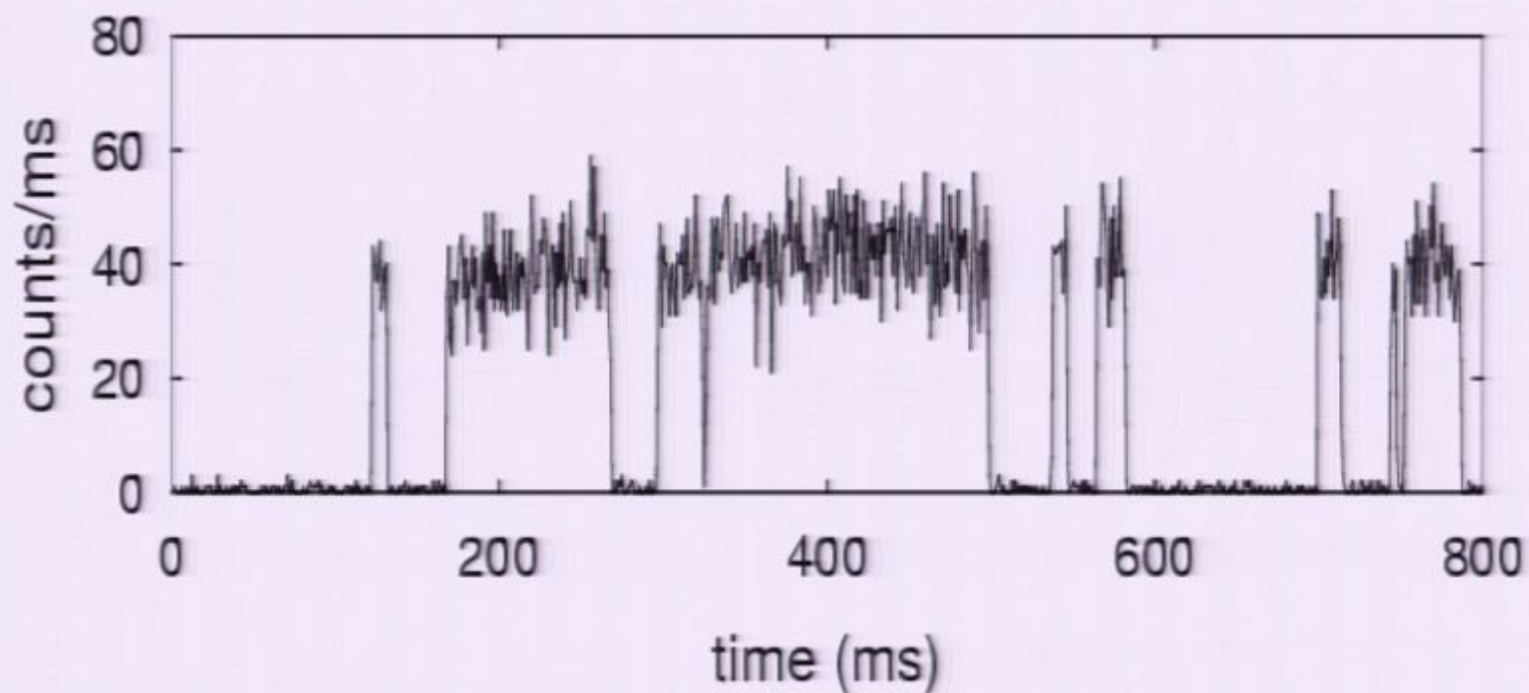


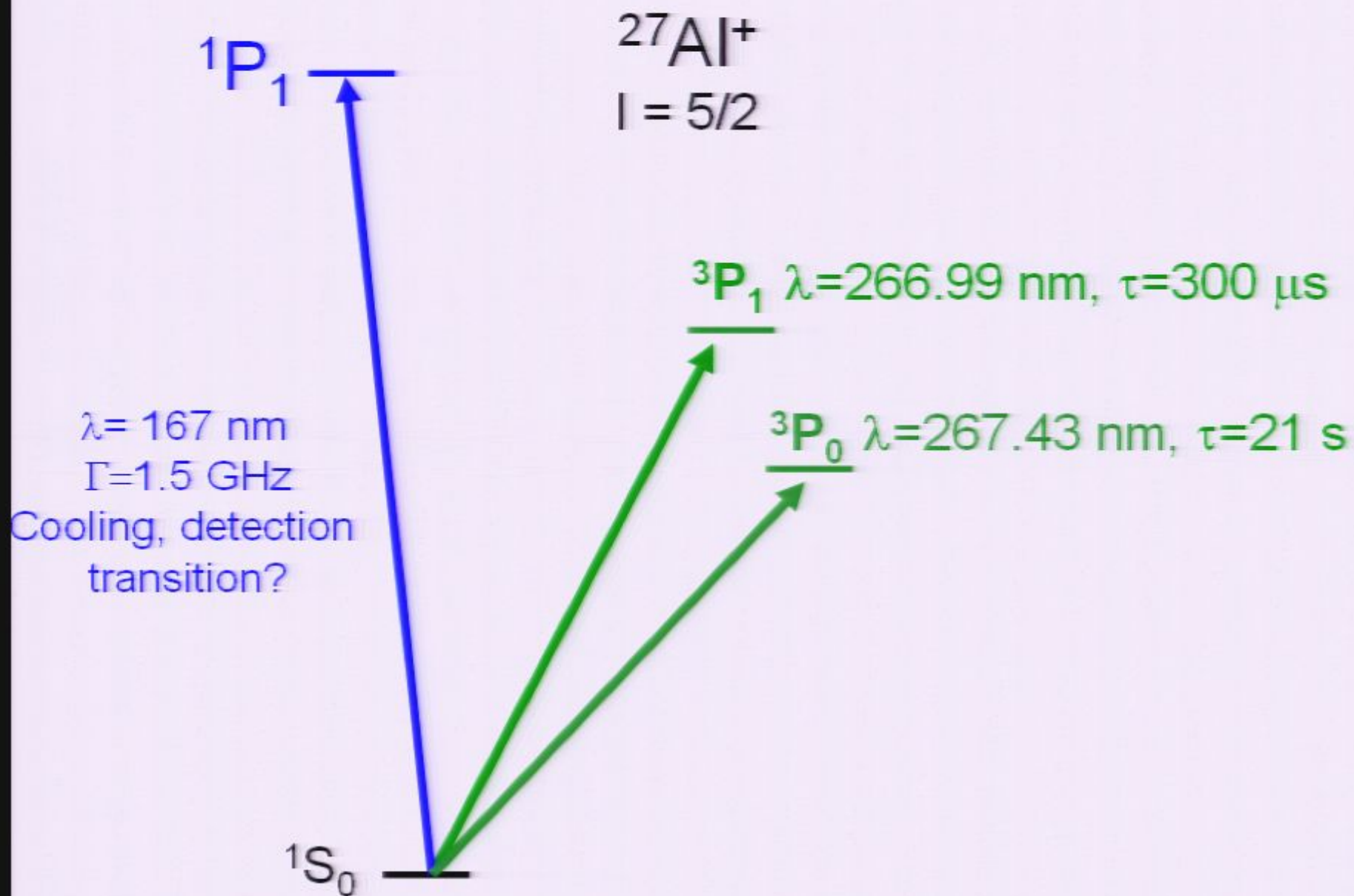
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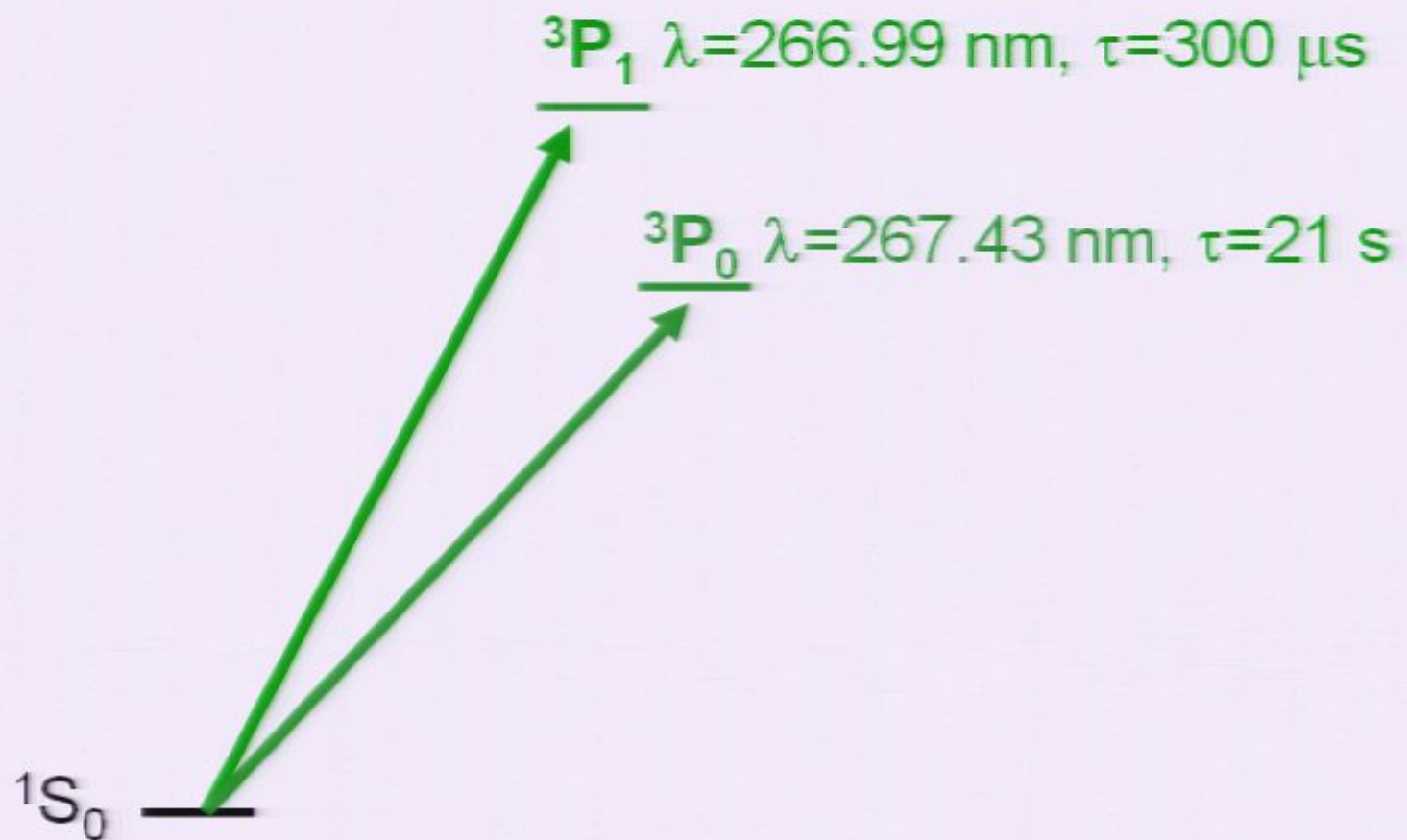
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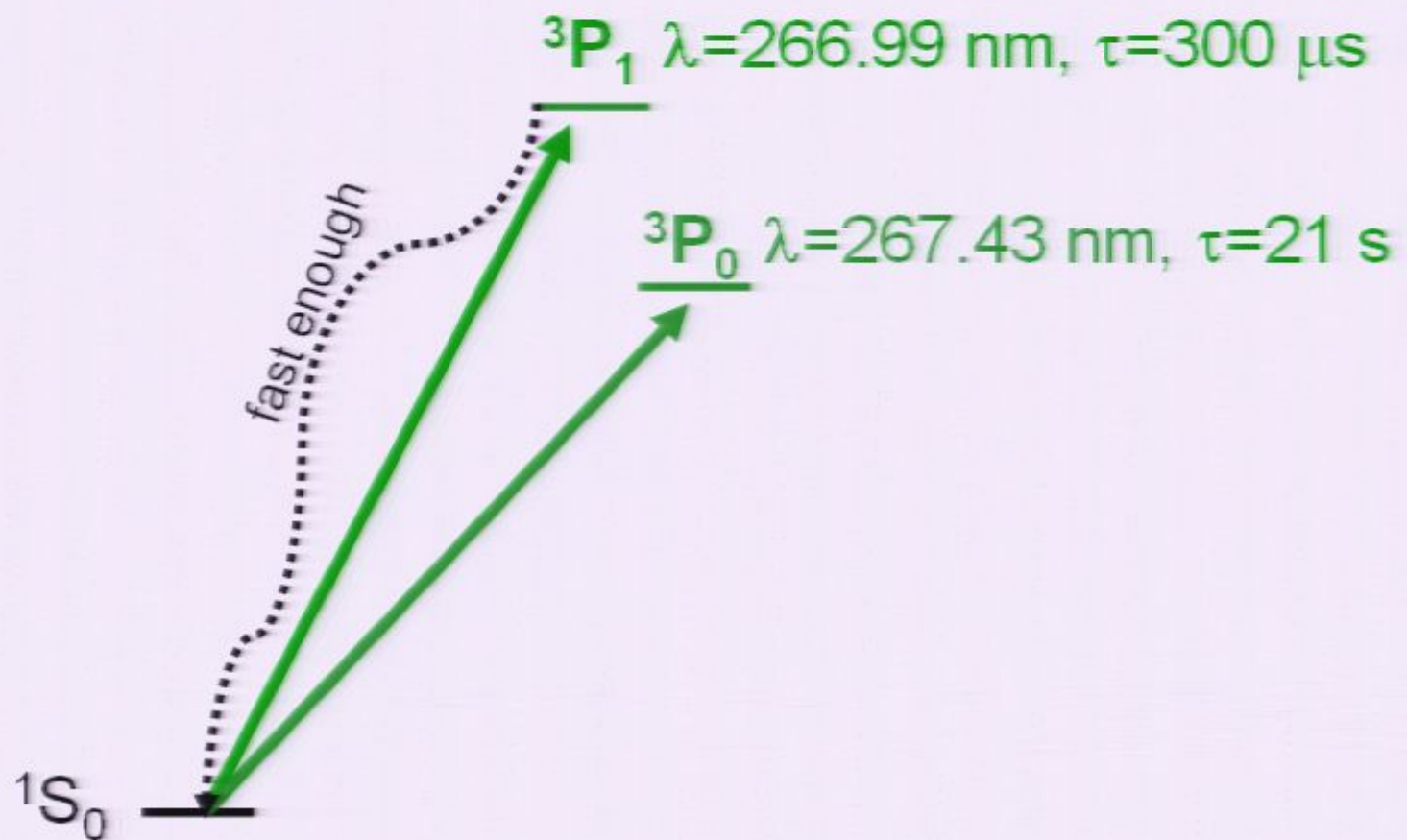
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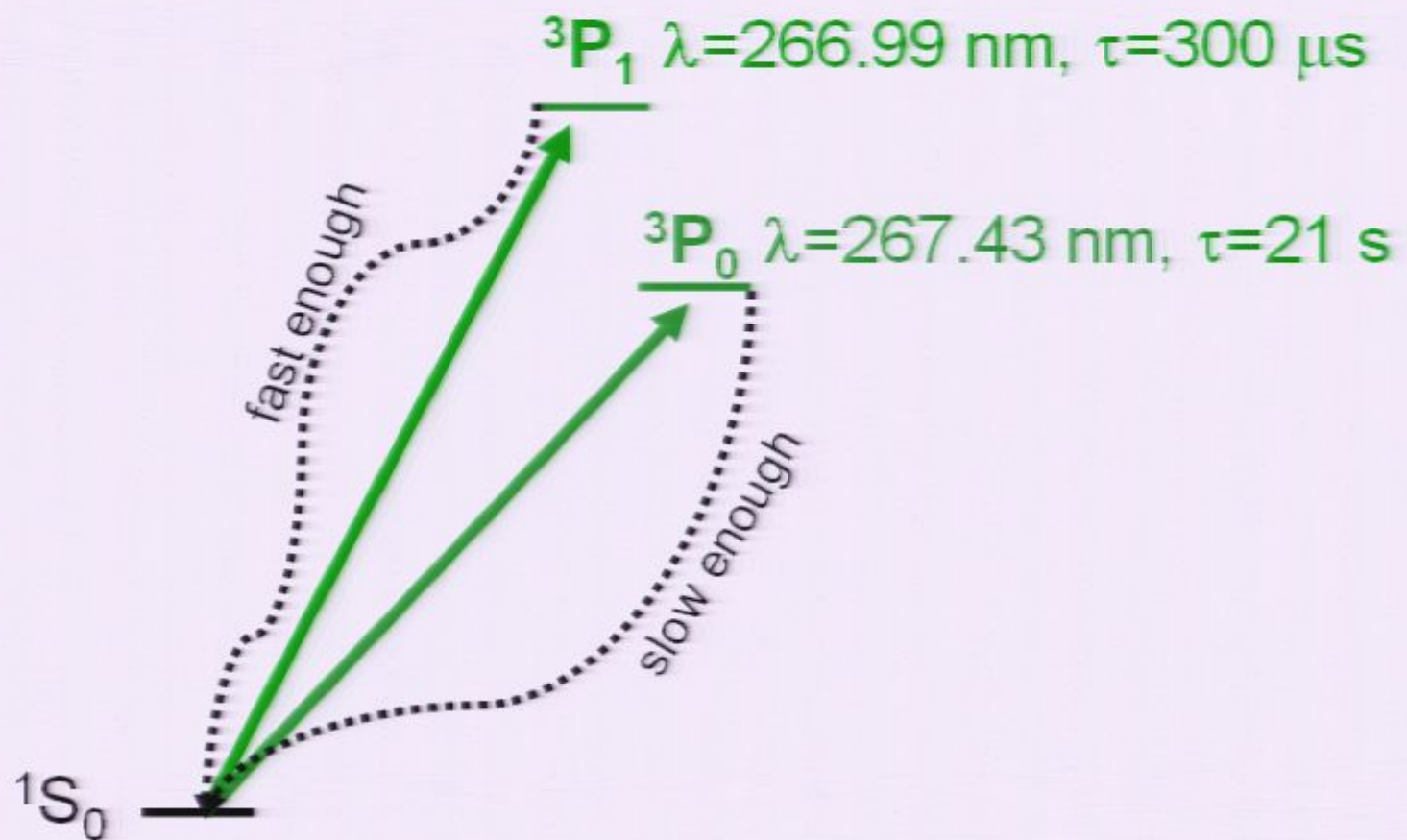
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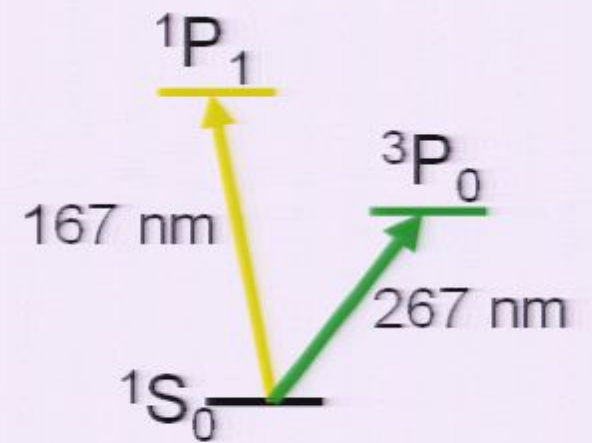


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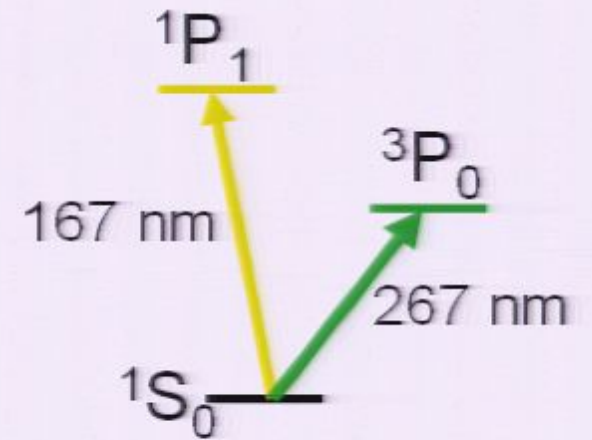


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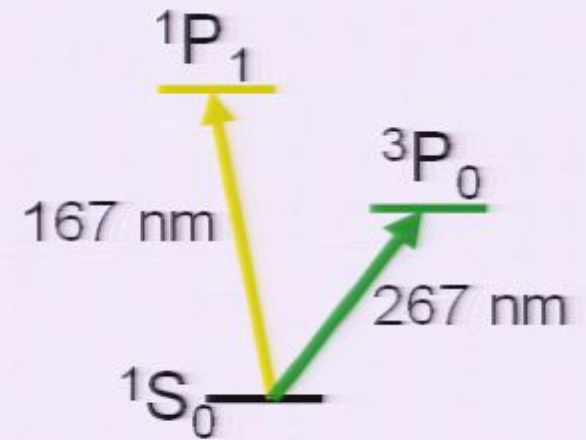
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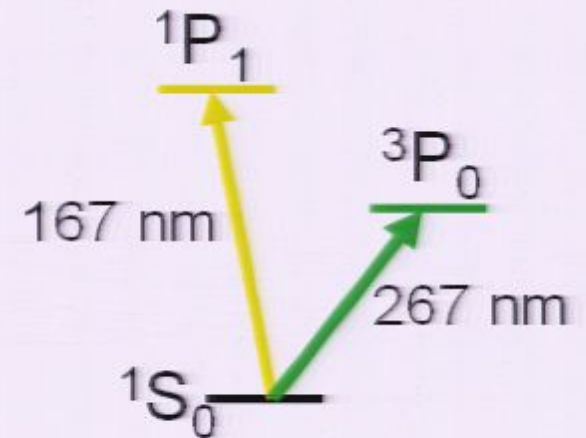
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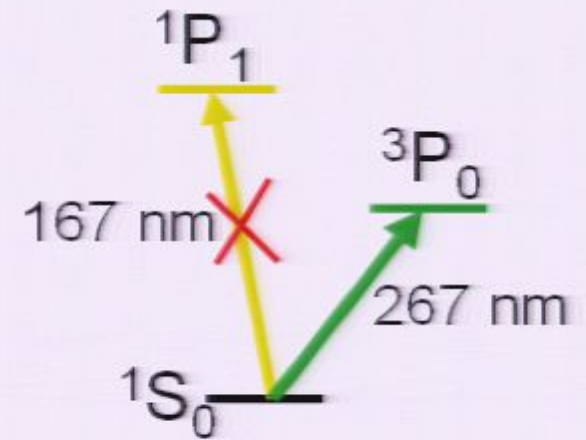
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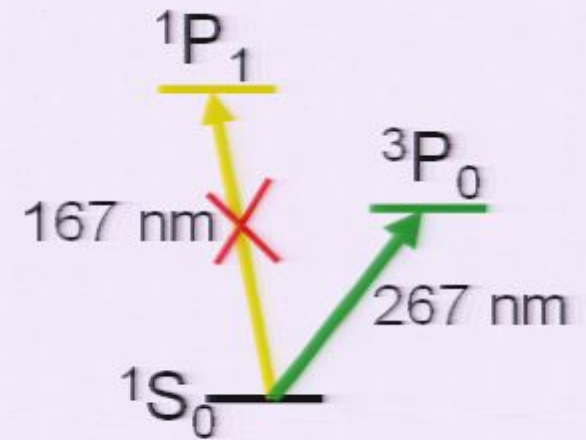
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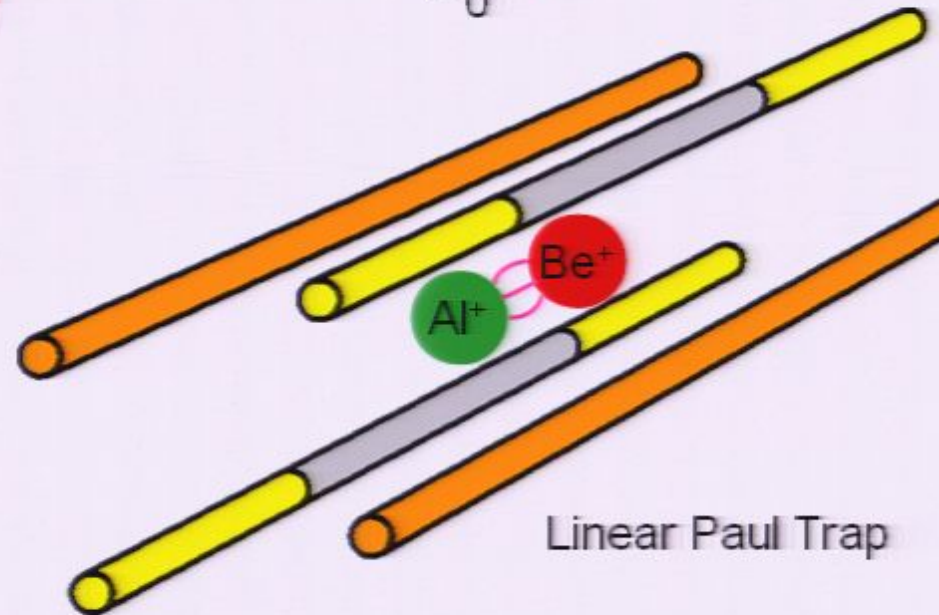
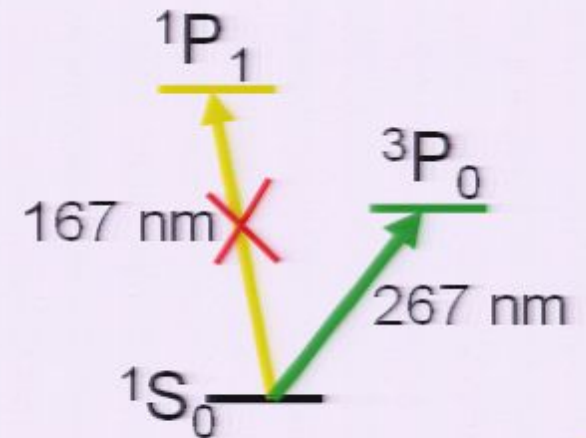
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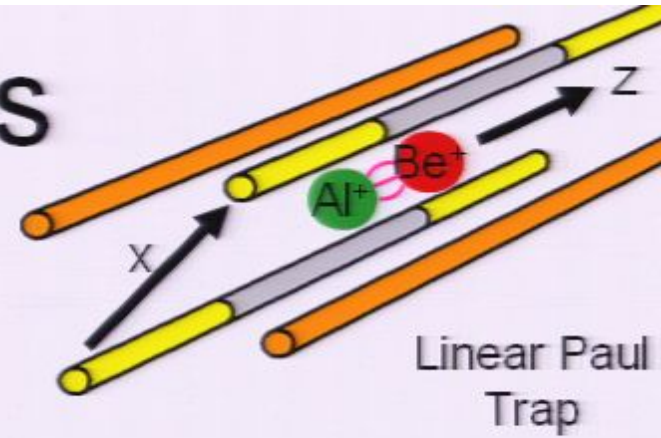
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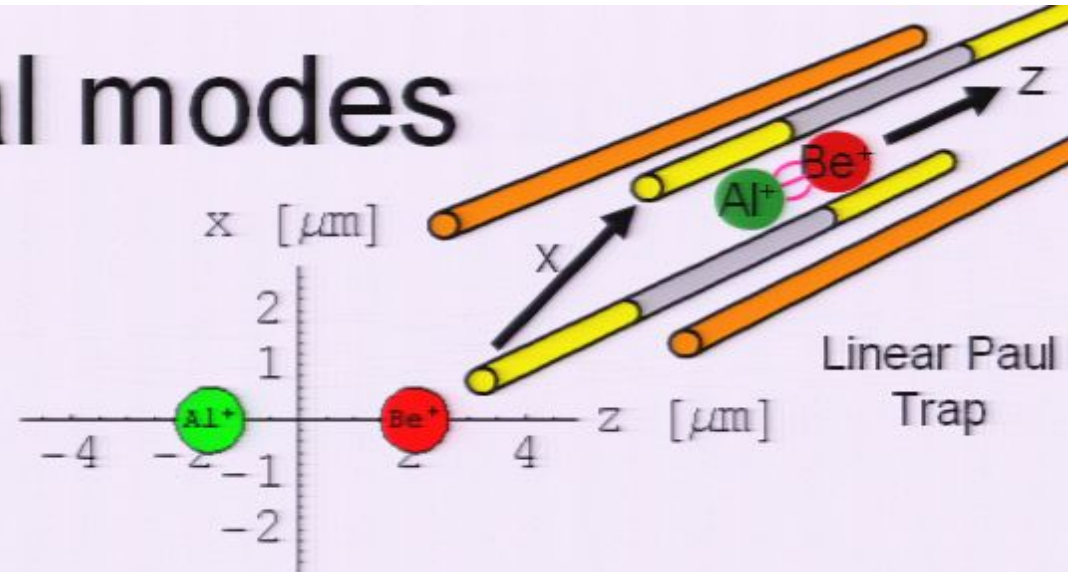
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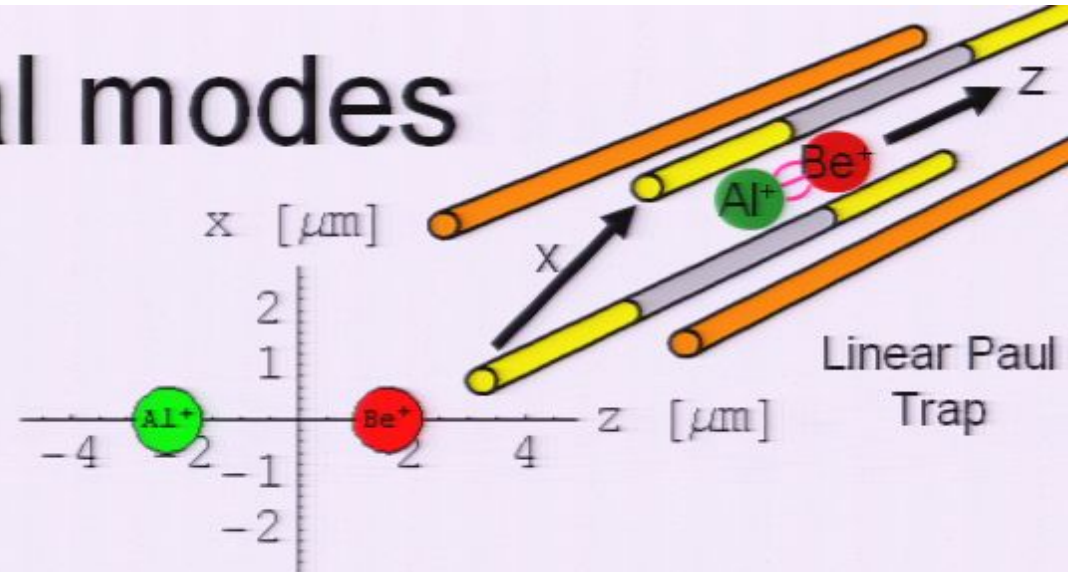
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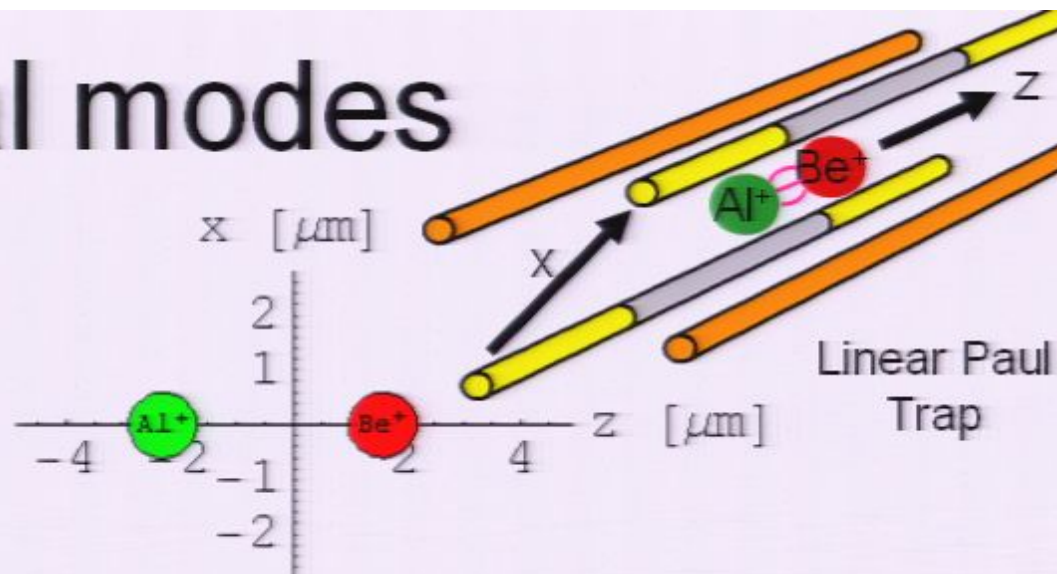
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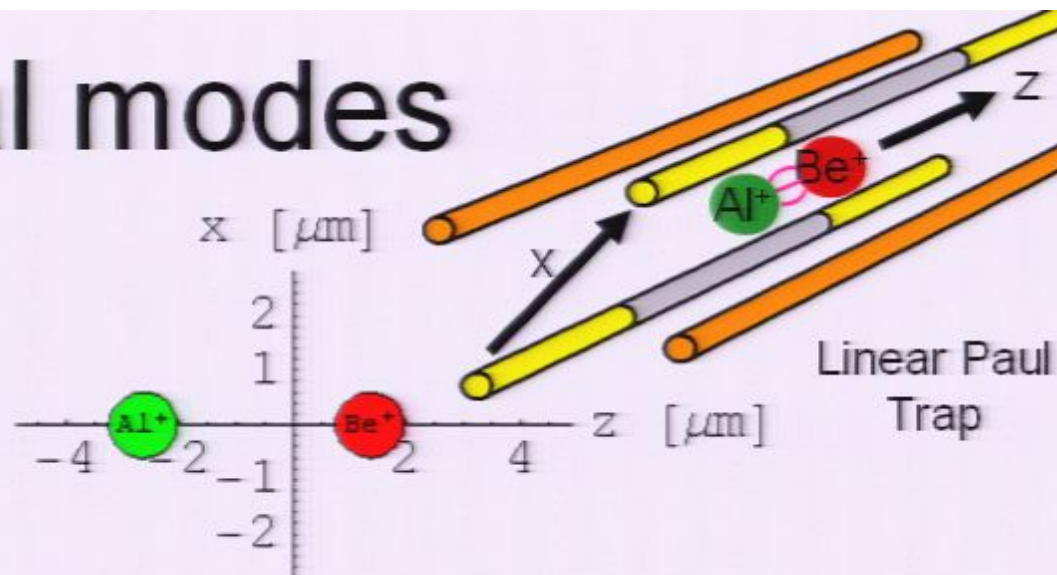
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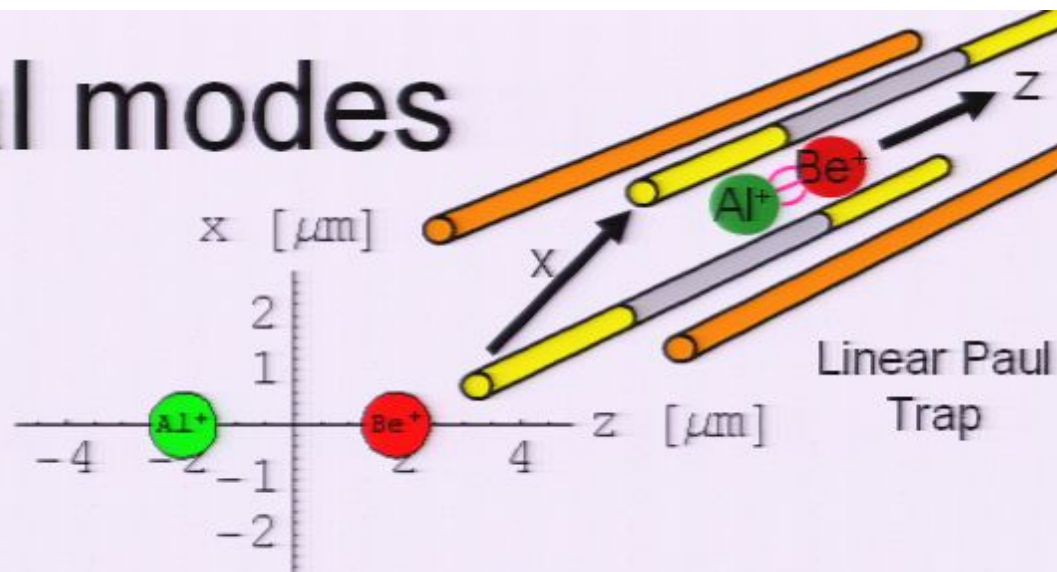
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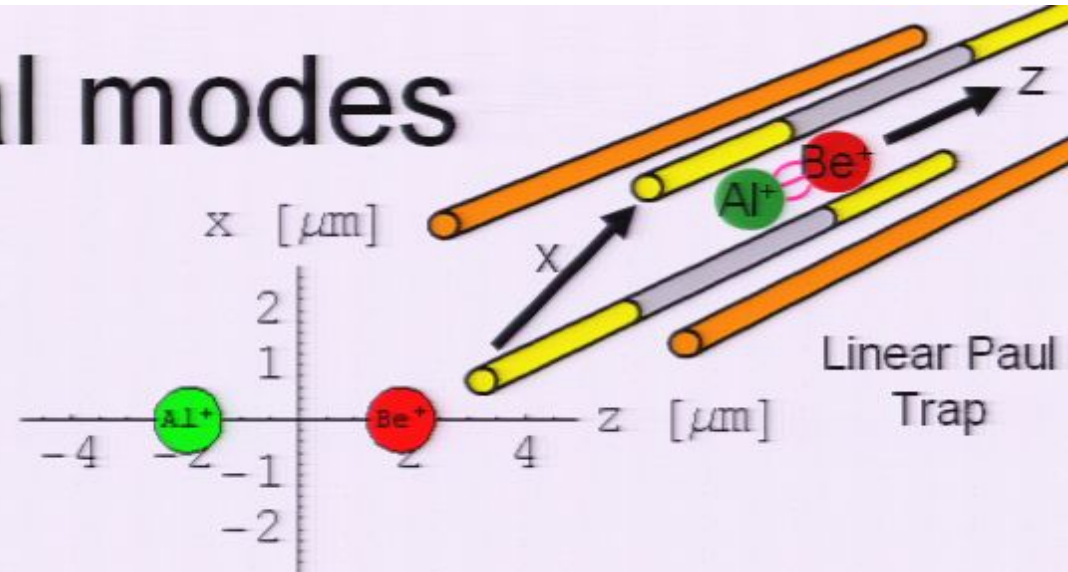
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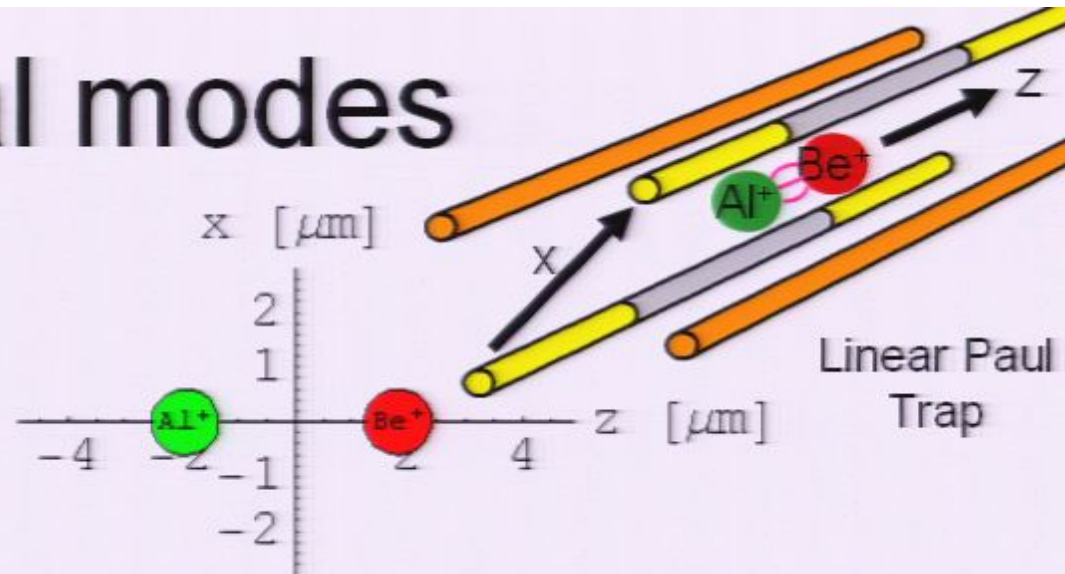
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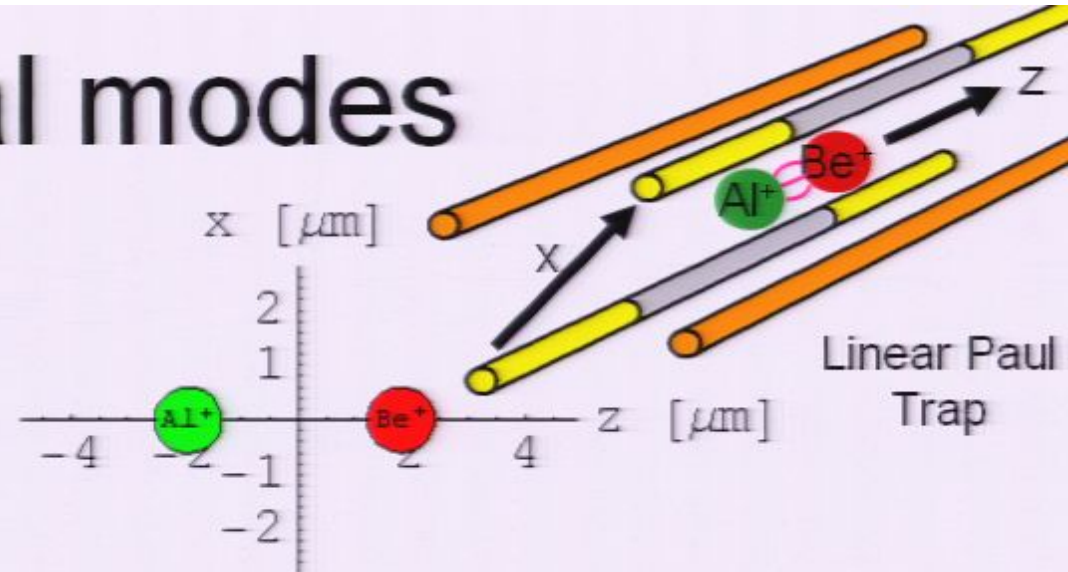
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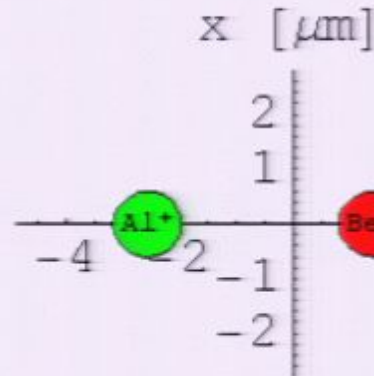
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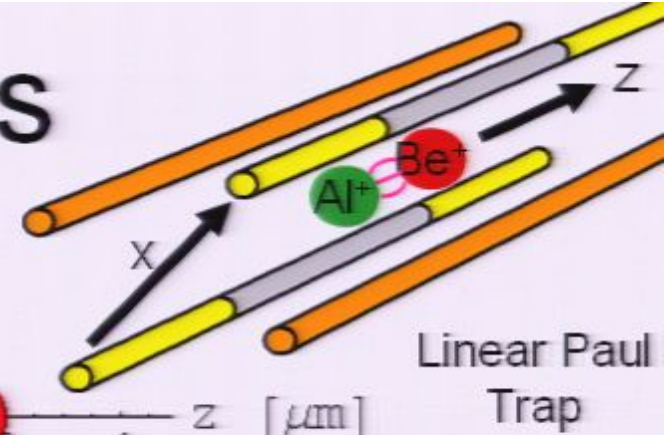
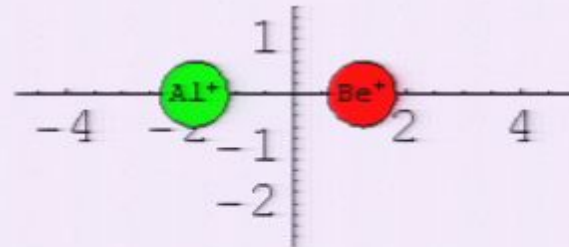


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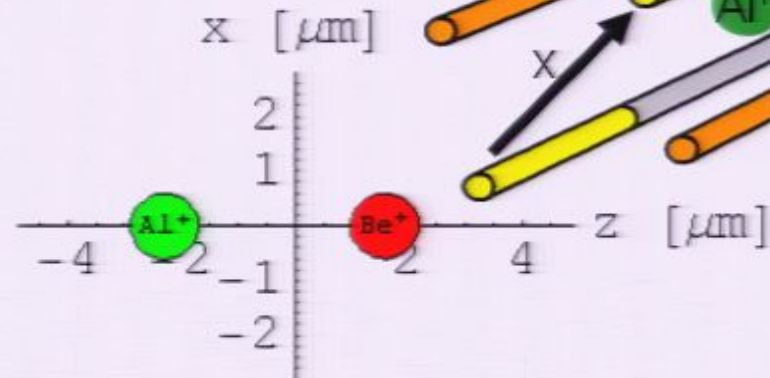


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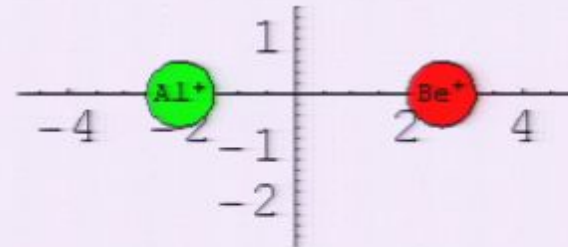
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Linear Paul
Trap

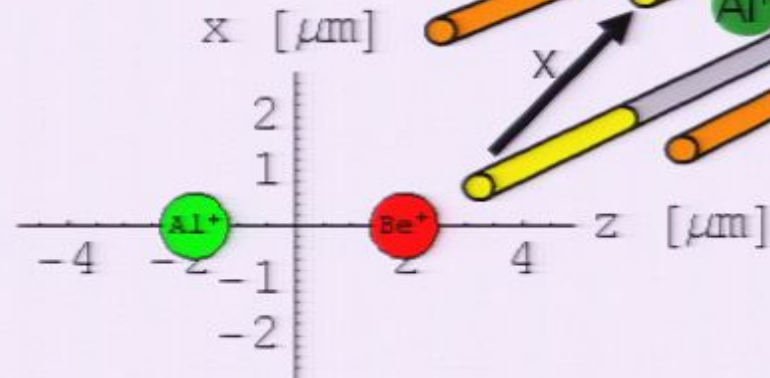
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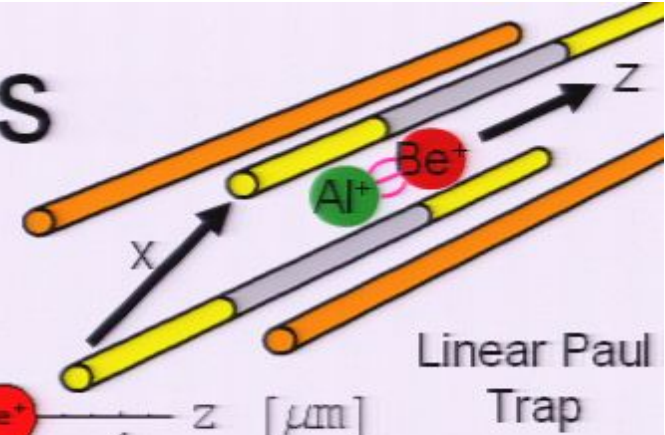
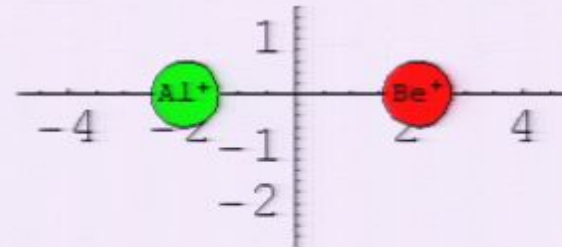


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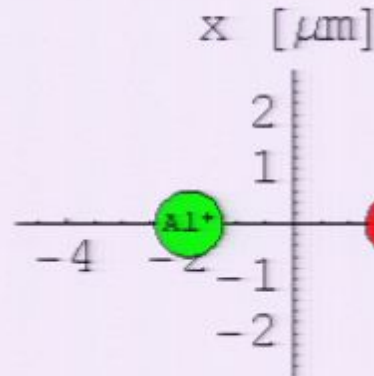


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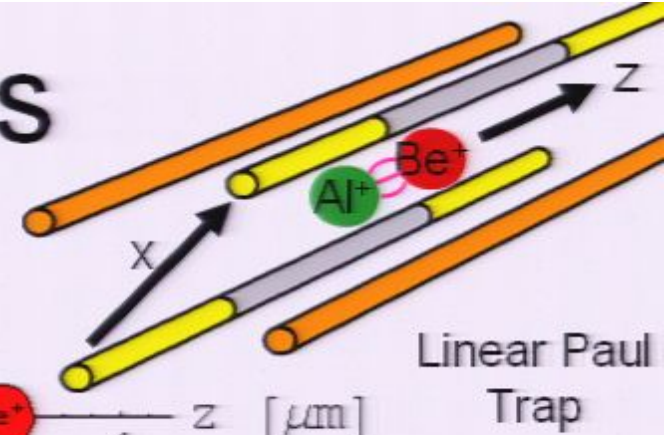
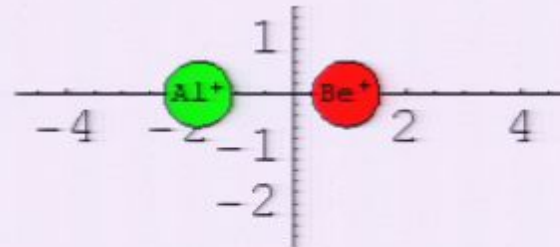
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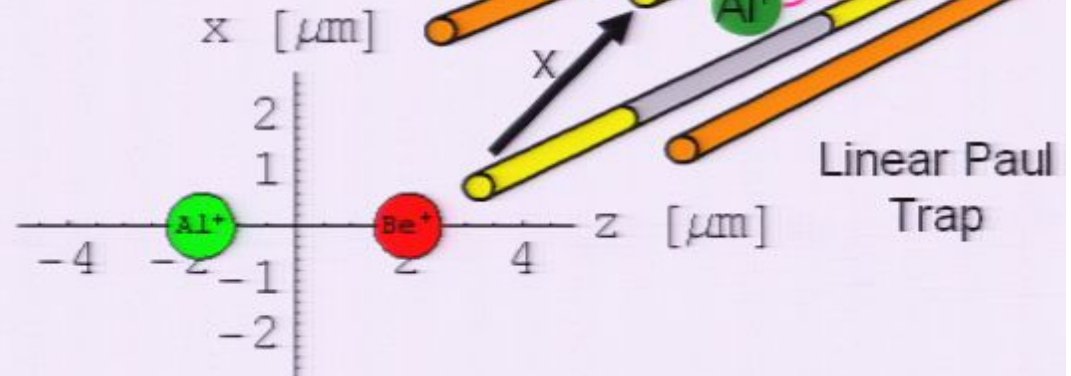
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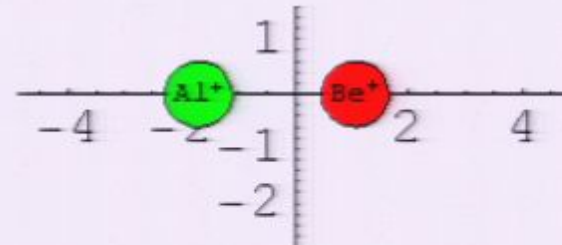
Linear Paul Trap

Normal modes

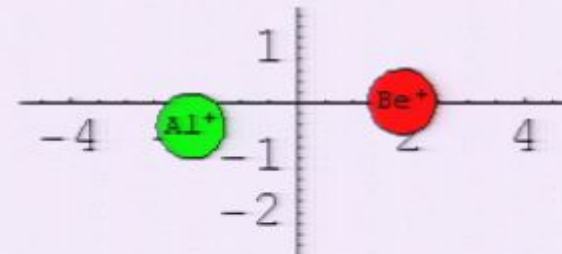
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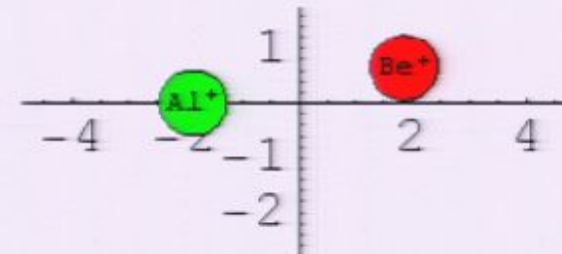
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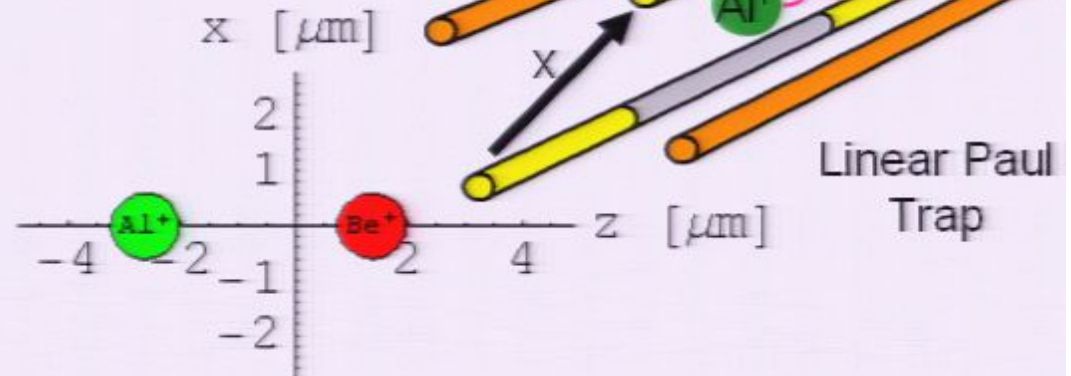


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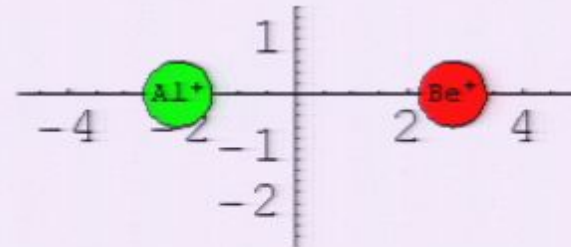


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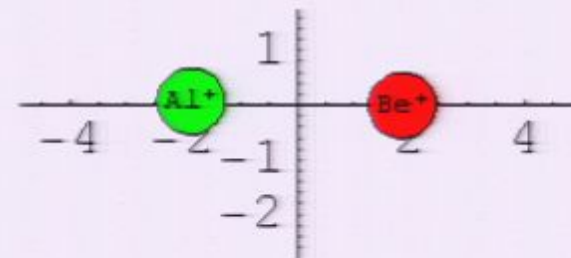
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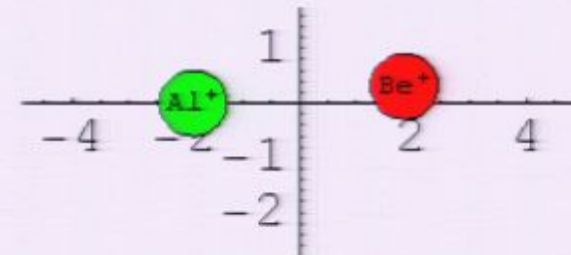
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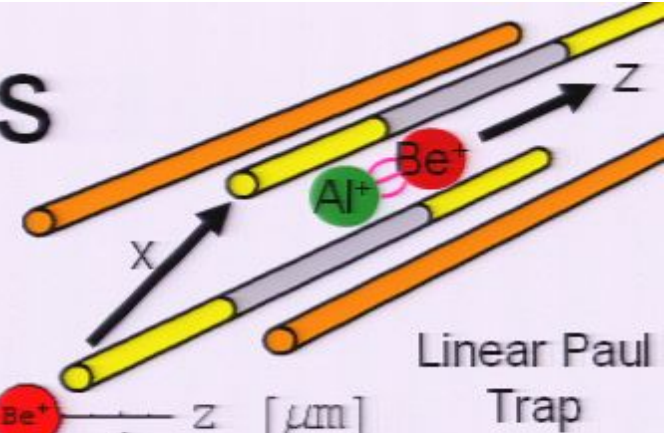
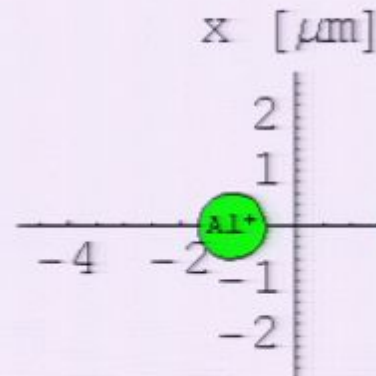


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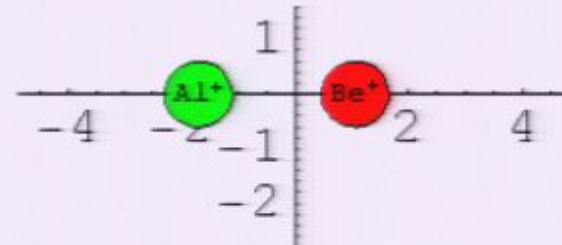
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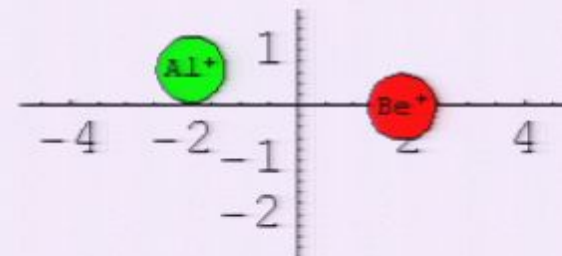
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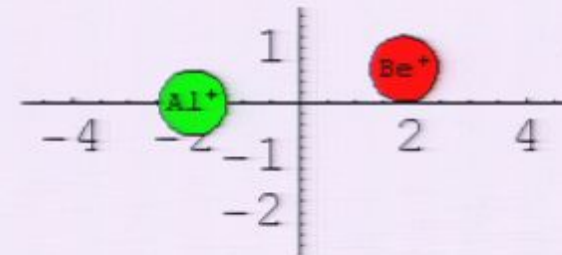
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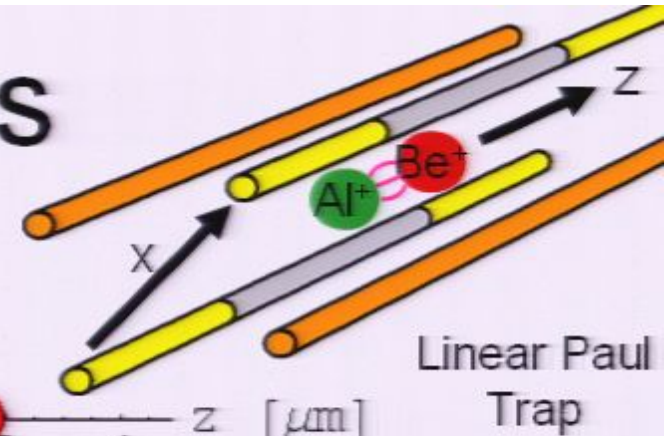
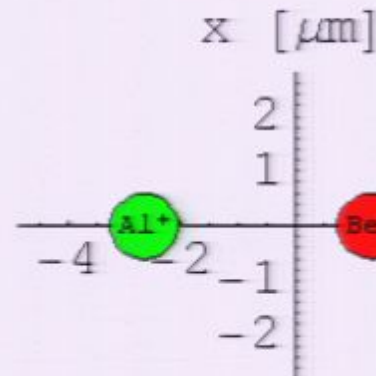
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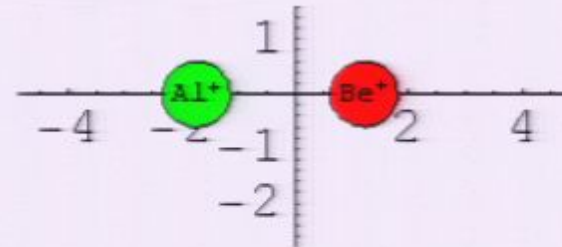
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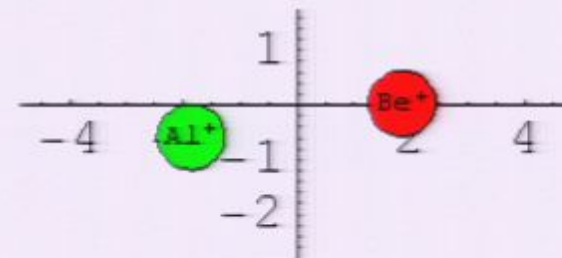
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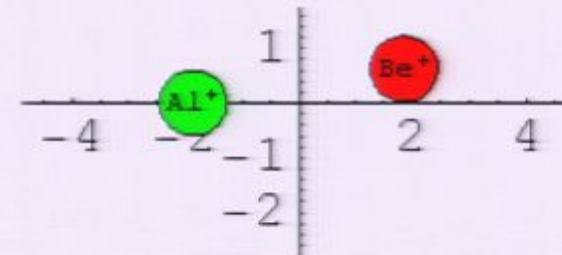
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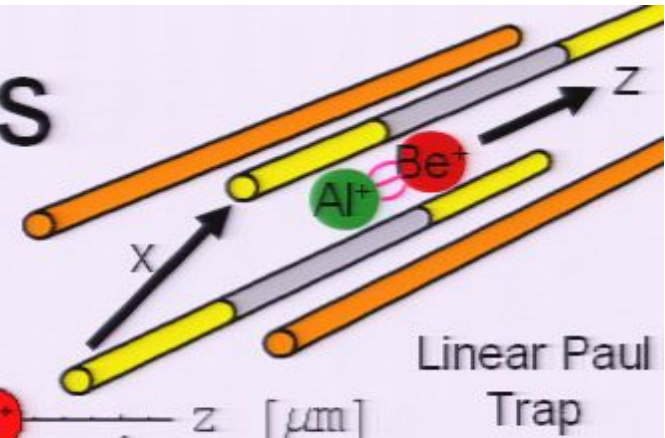
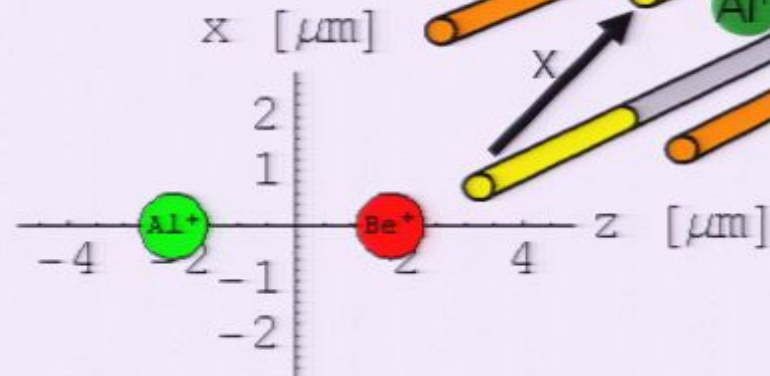
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Normal modes

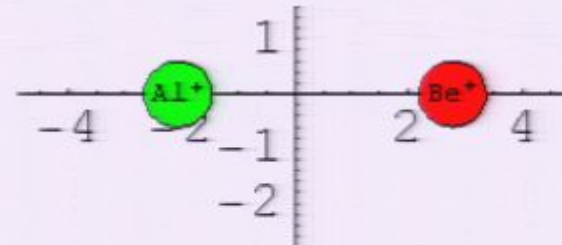
Center-of-mass (COM) 2.62 MHz



Linear Paul Trap

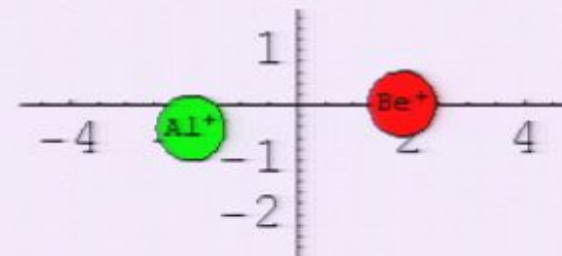
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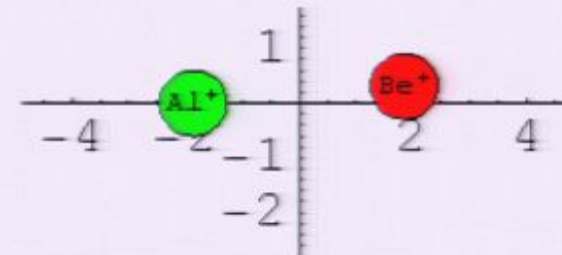
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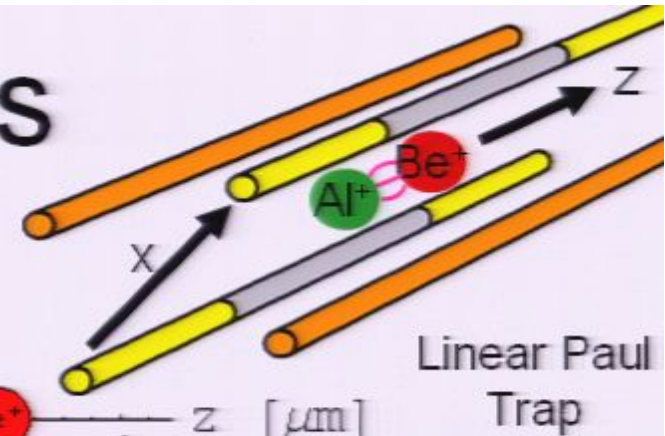
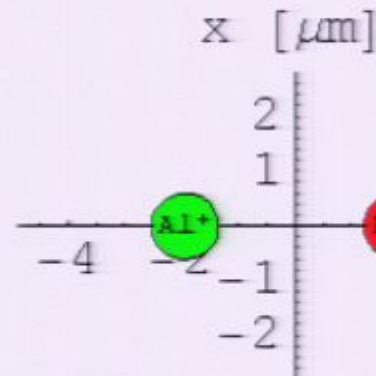
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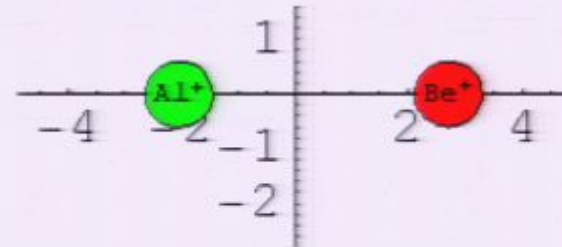


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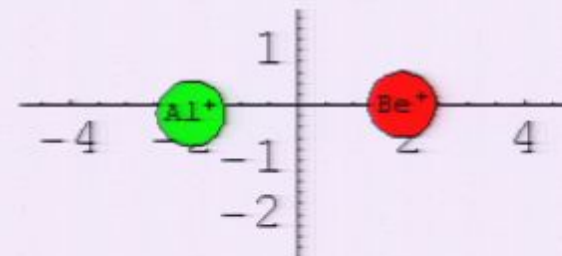
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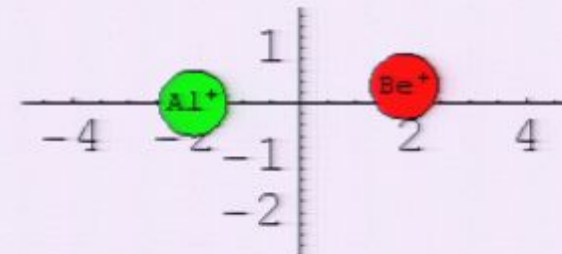
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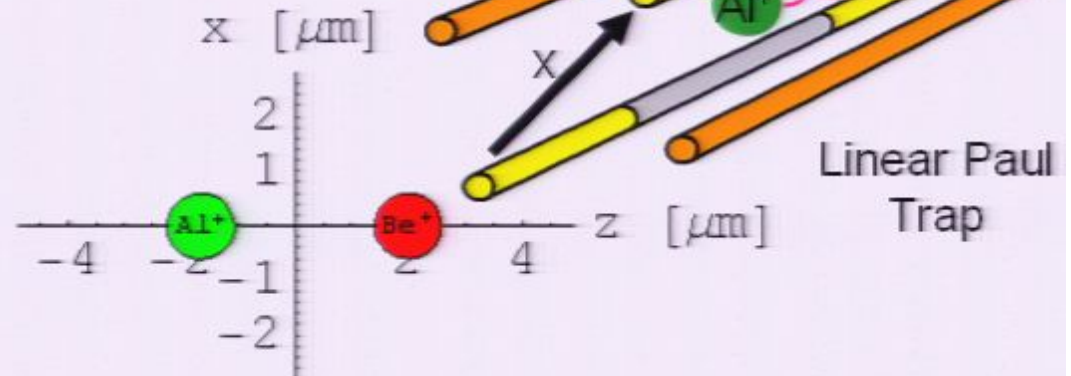


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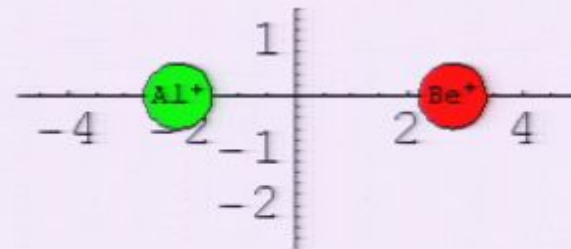


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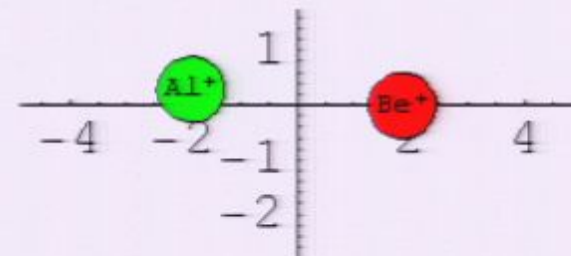
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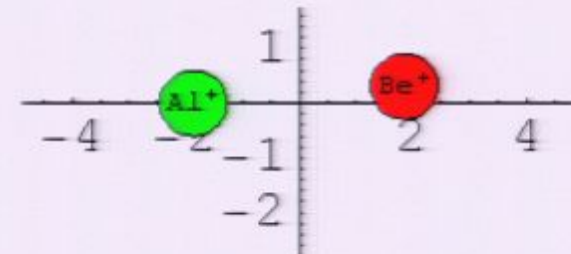
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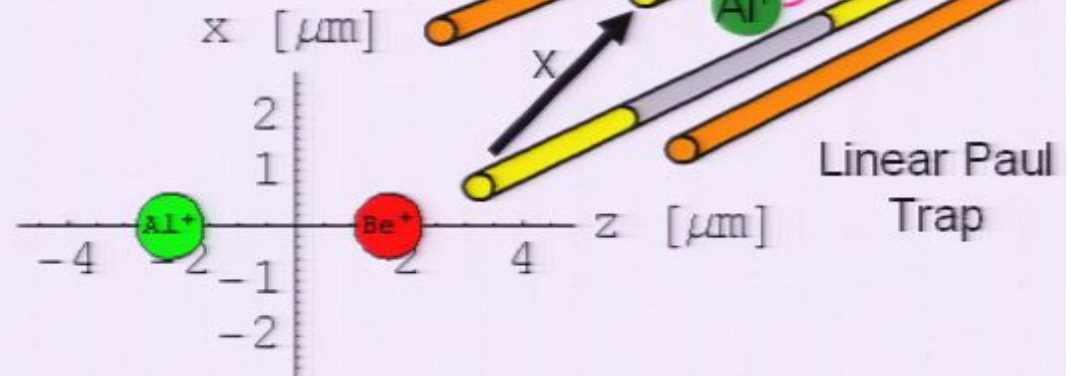


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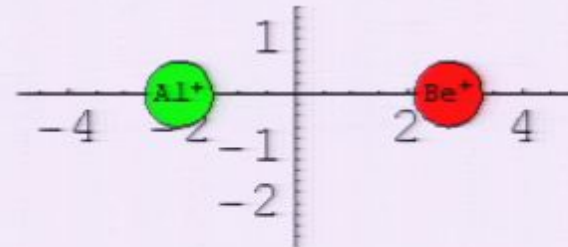


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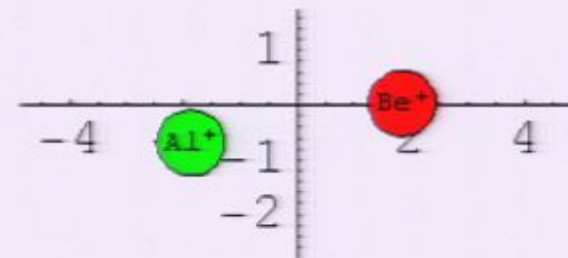
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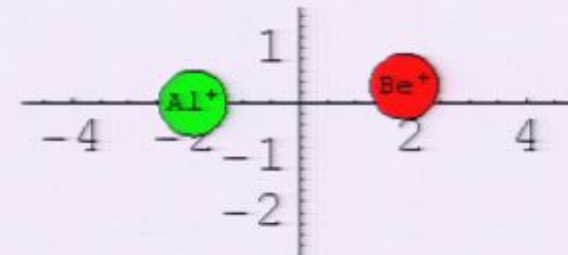
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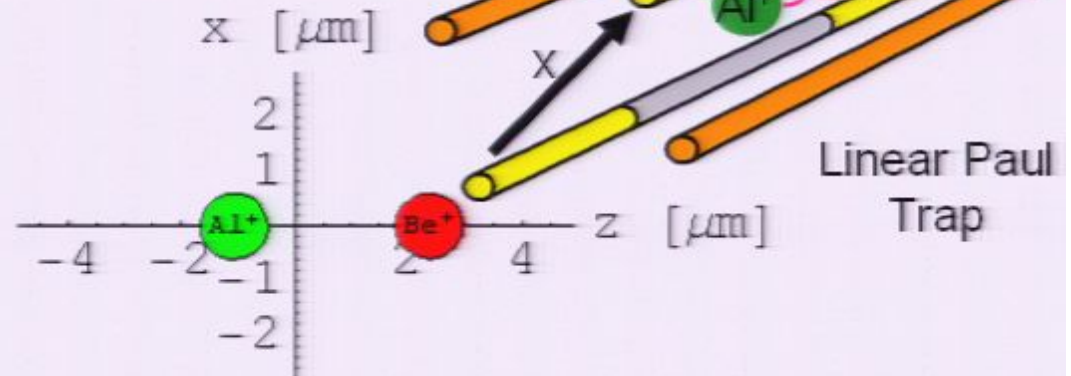


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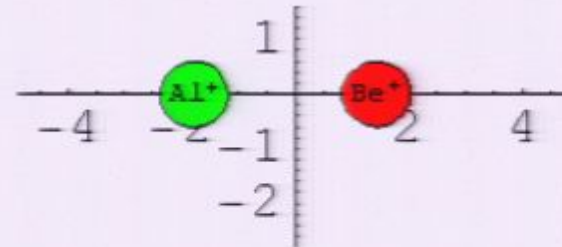


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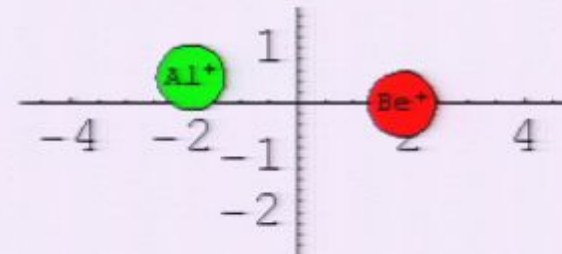
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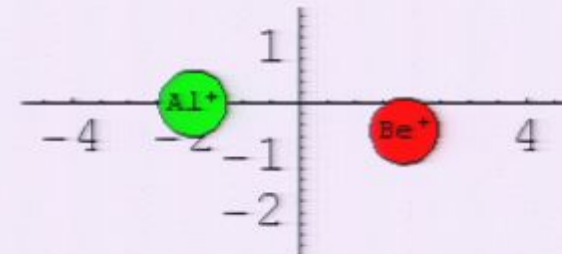
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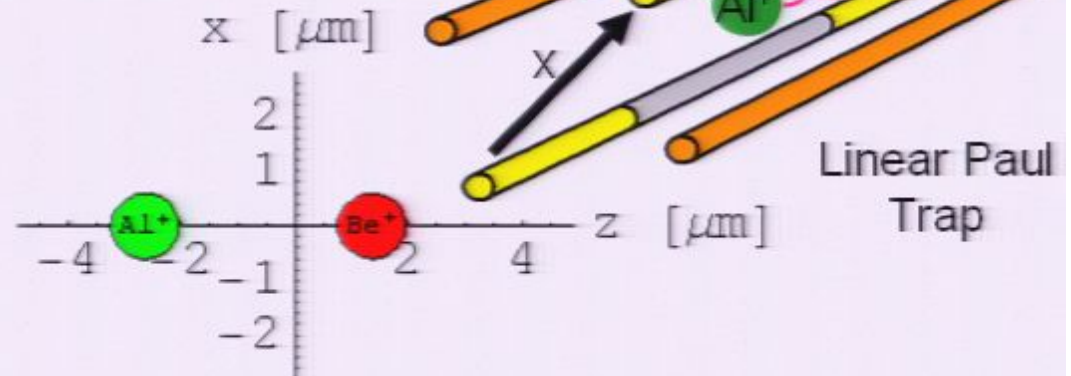


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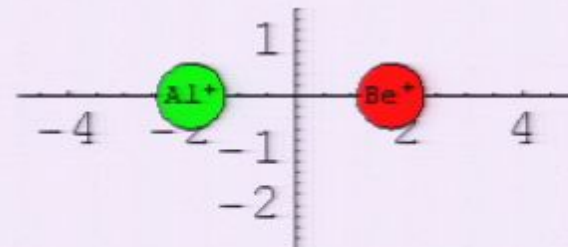


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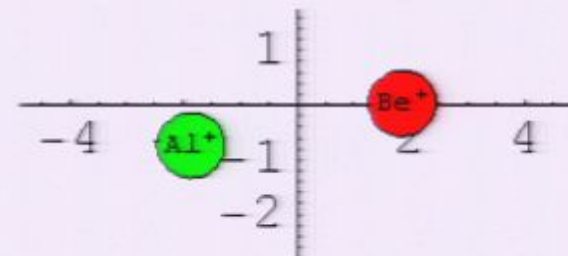
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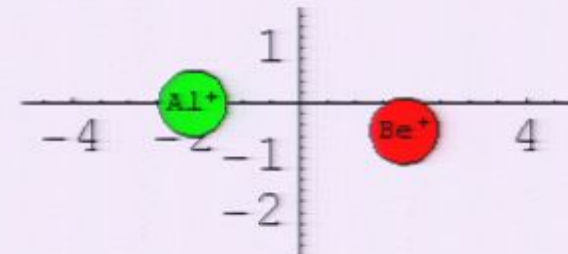
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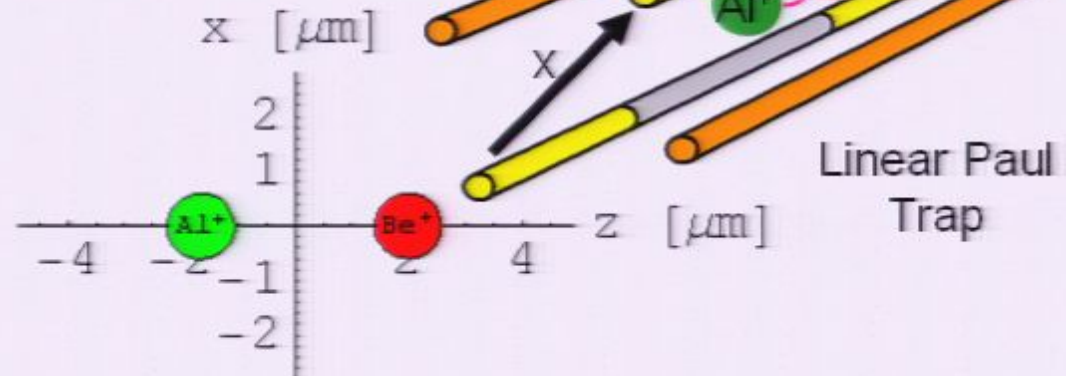


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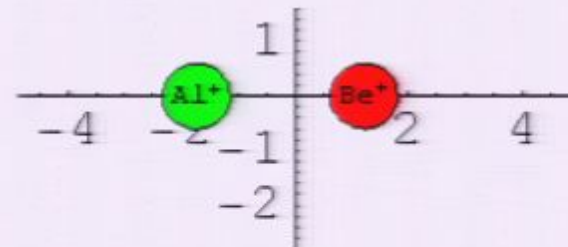


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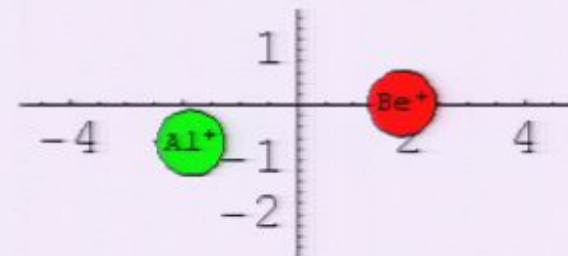
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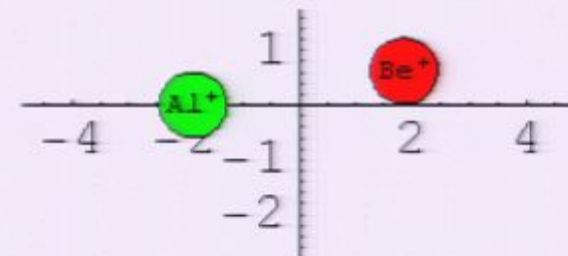
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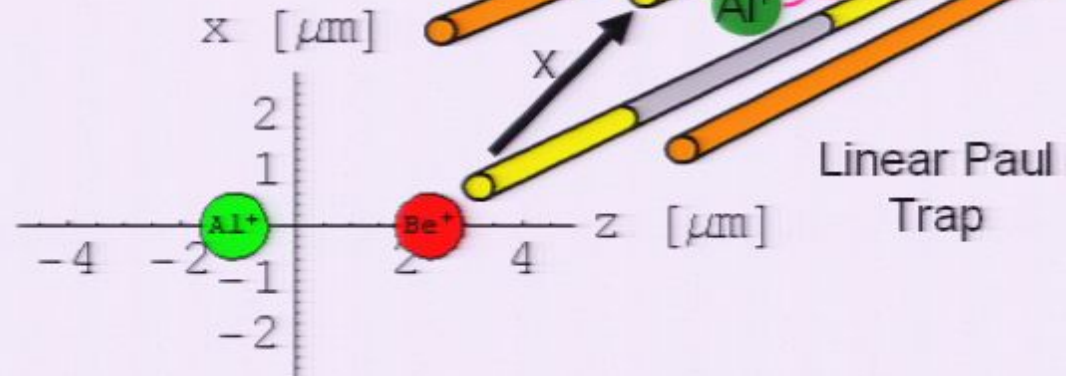


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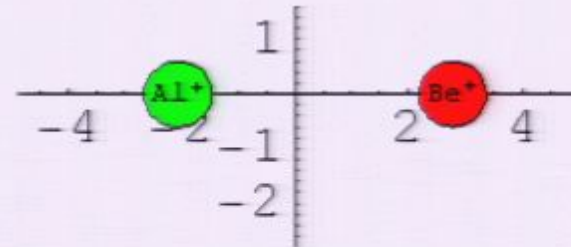


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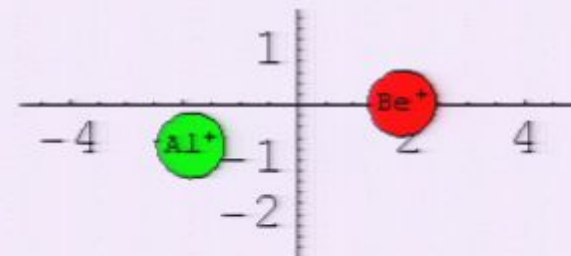
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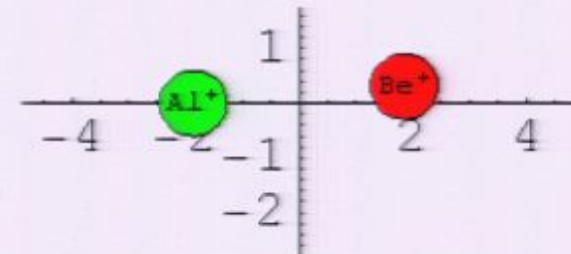
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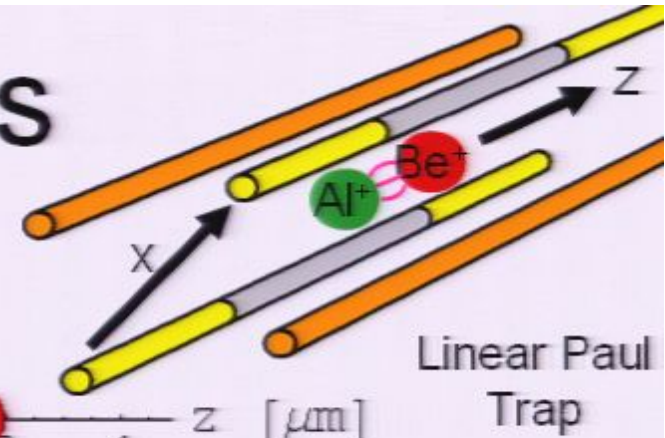
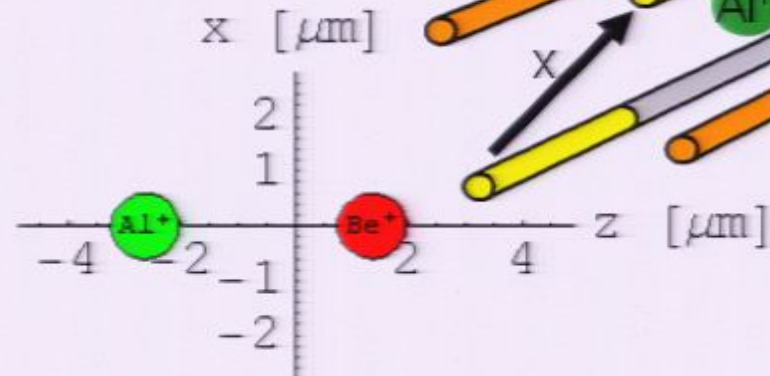


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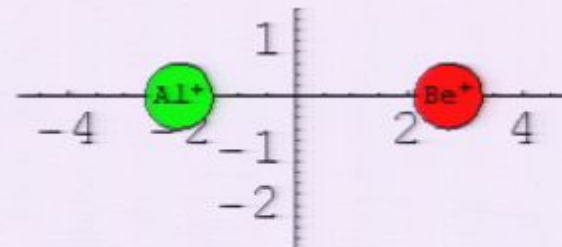


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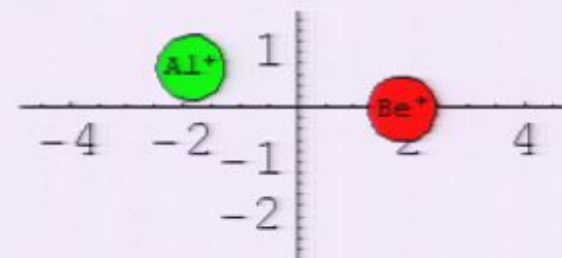
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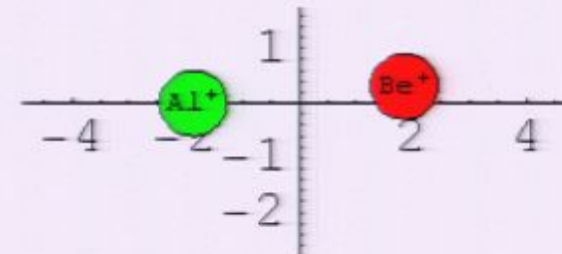
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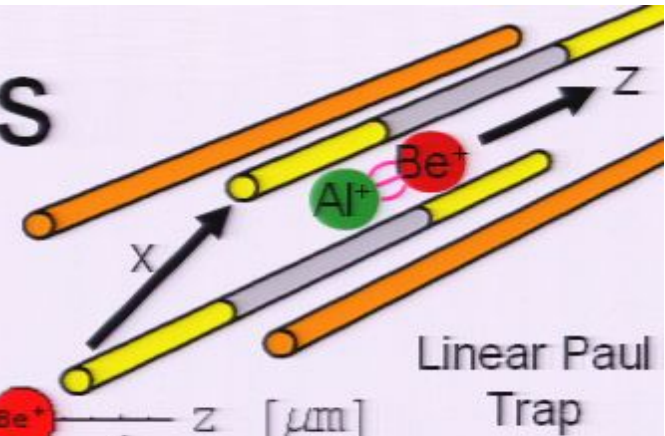
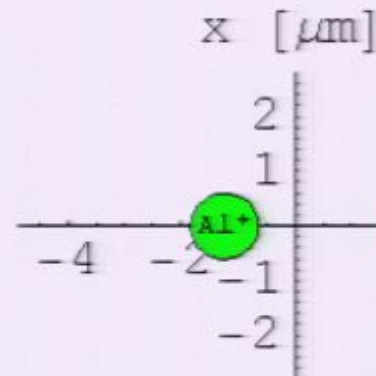


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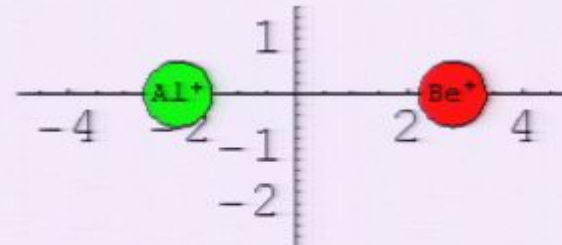


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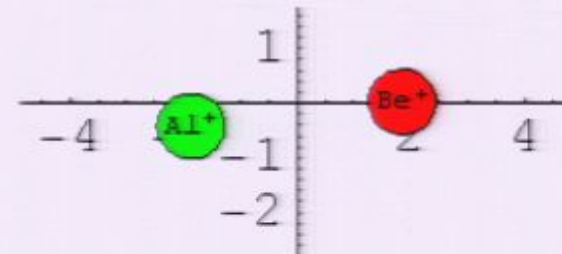
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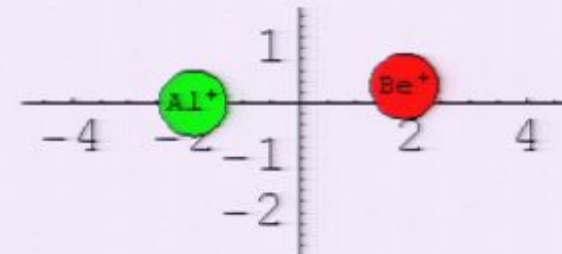
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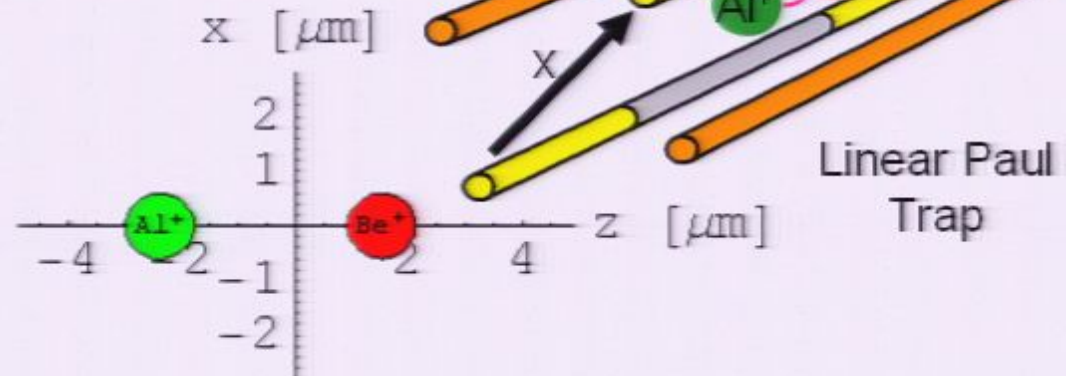


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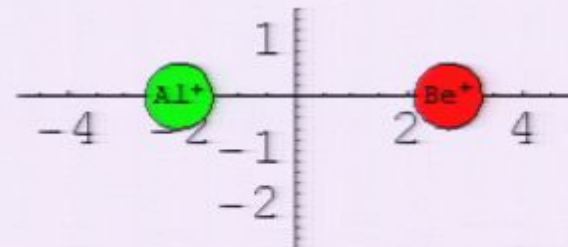


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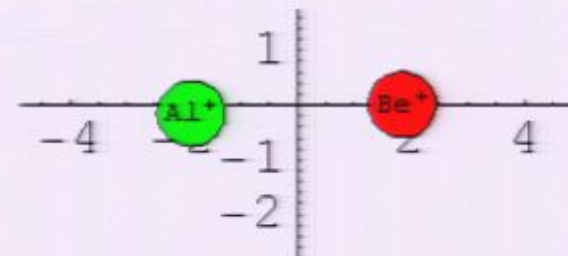
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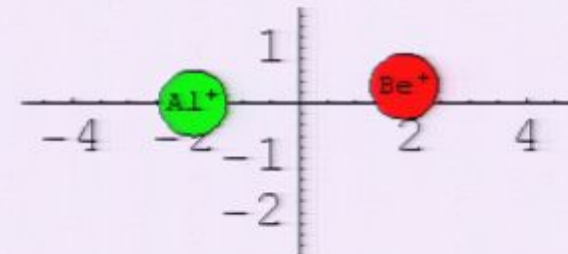
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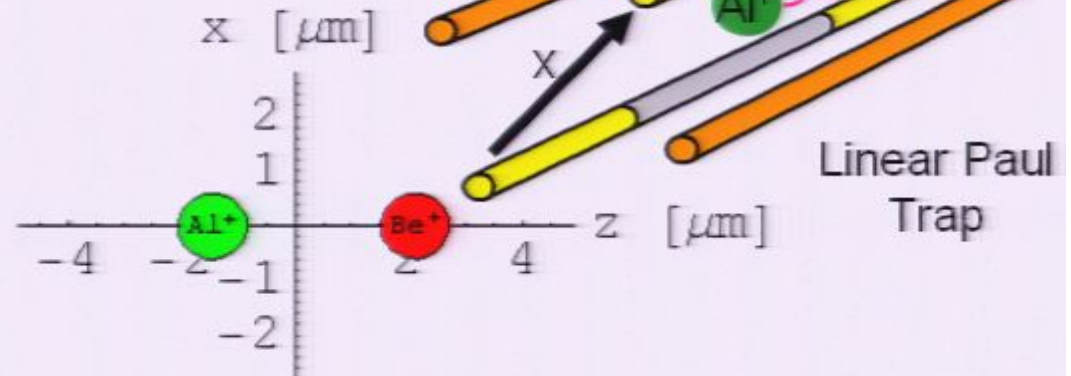


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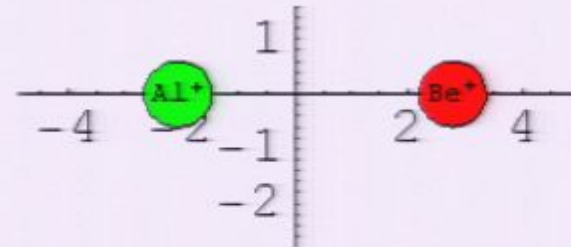
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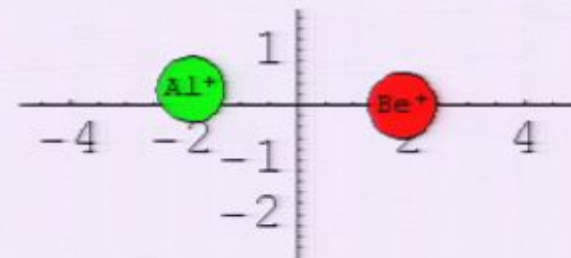
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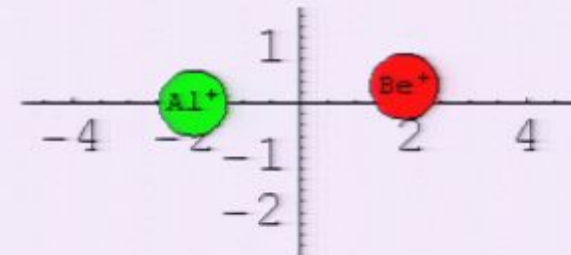
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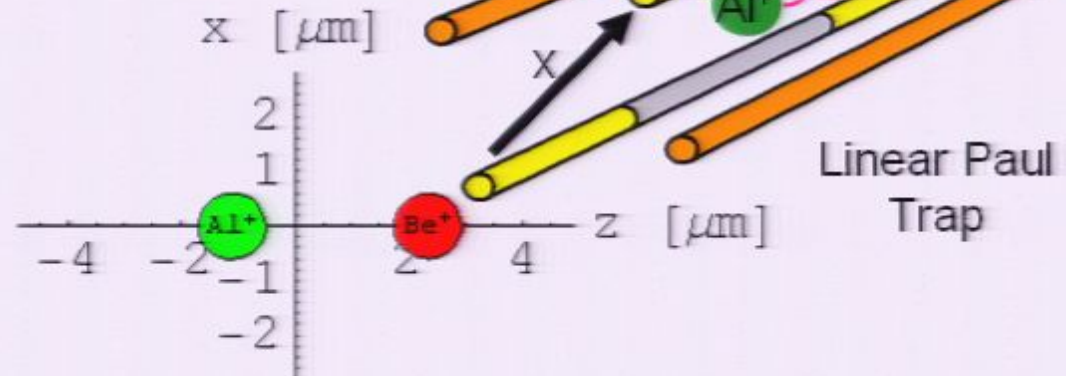
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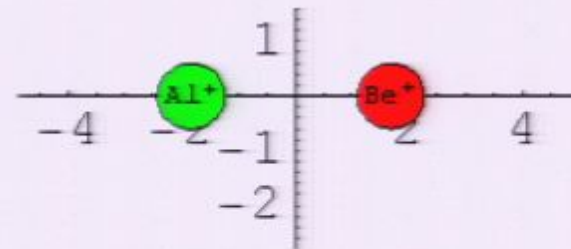


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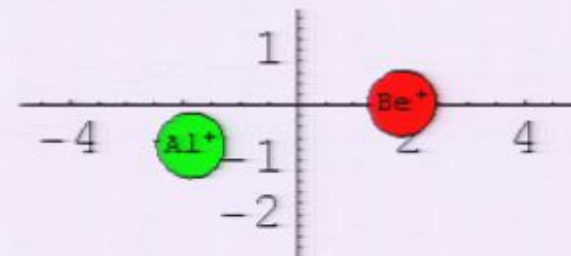
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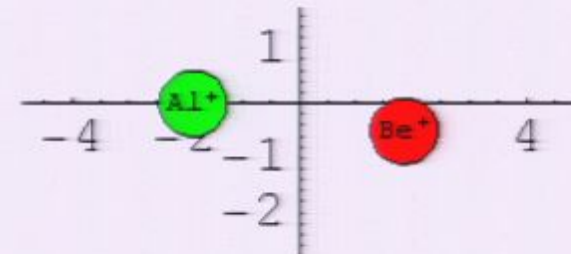
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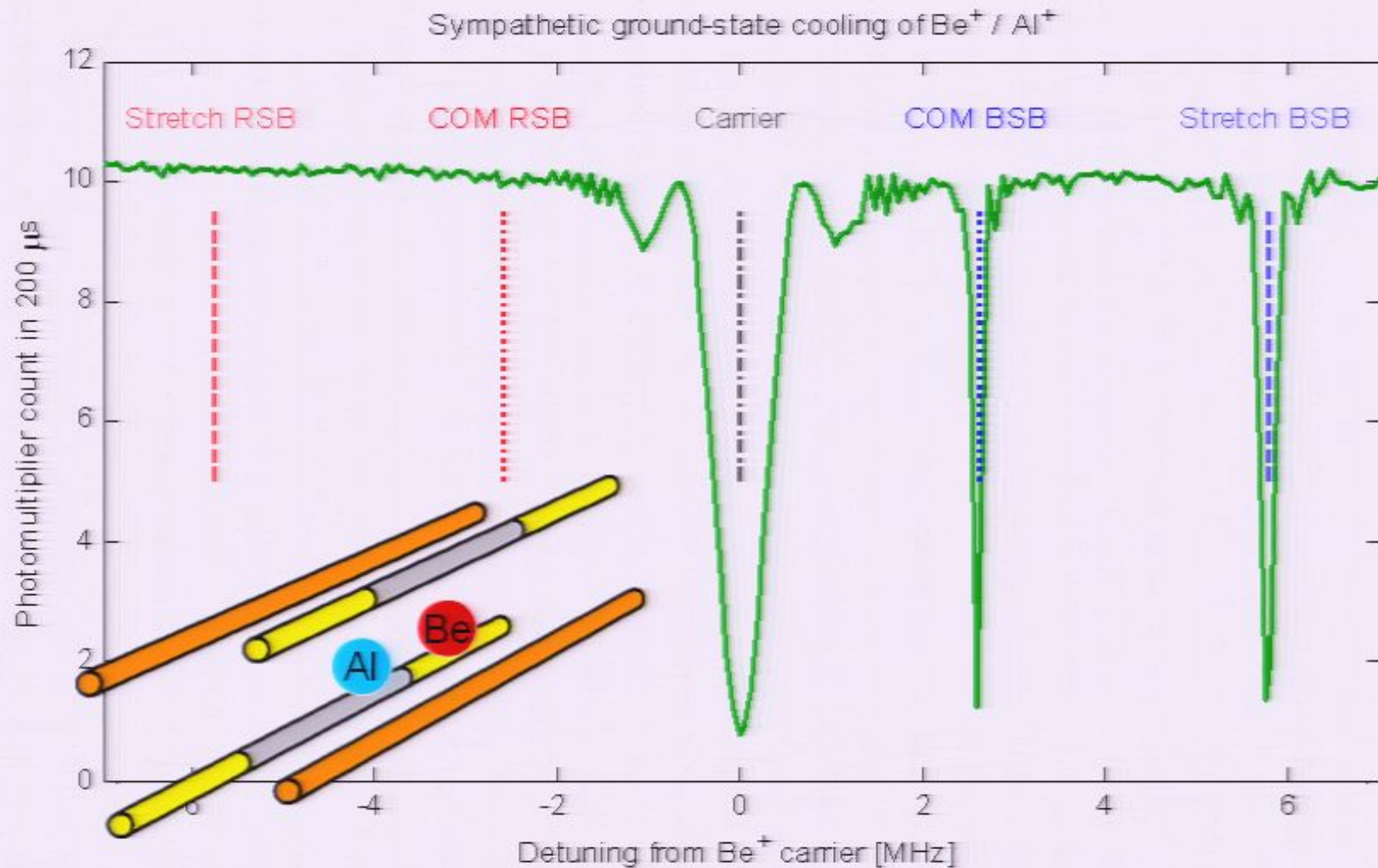


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- M. Barrett *et al.* "Sympathetic cooling of $^9\text{Be}^+$ and $^{24}\text{Mg}^+$ for quantum logic," Phys. Rev. A **68**, 042302 (2003)
- Doppler cooling: $\langle n \rangle \leq 4$ for all six normal modes (0.5 ms)
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Clock state transfer to Be^+ (simplified)

1. Cool to motional quantum ground state with Be^+
2. Depending on clock state, add vibrational energy via Al^+
3. Detect vibrational energy via Be^+

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Quantum-limited cooling and detection of radio-frequency oscillations by laser-cooled ions

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A single trapped ion, laser cooled into its quantum ground state of motion, may be used as a very-low-temperature detector of radio-frequency signals applied to the trap end caps. If the signal

$^1S_0, n=0$

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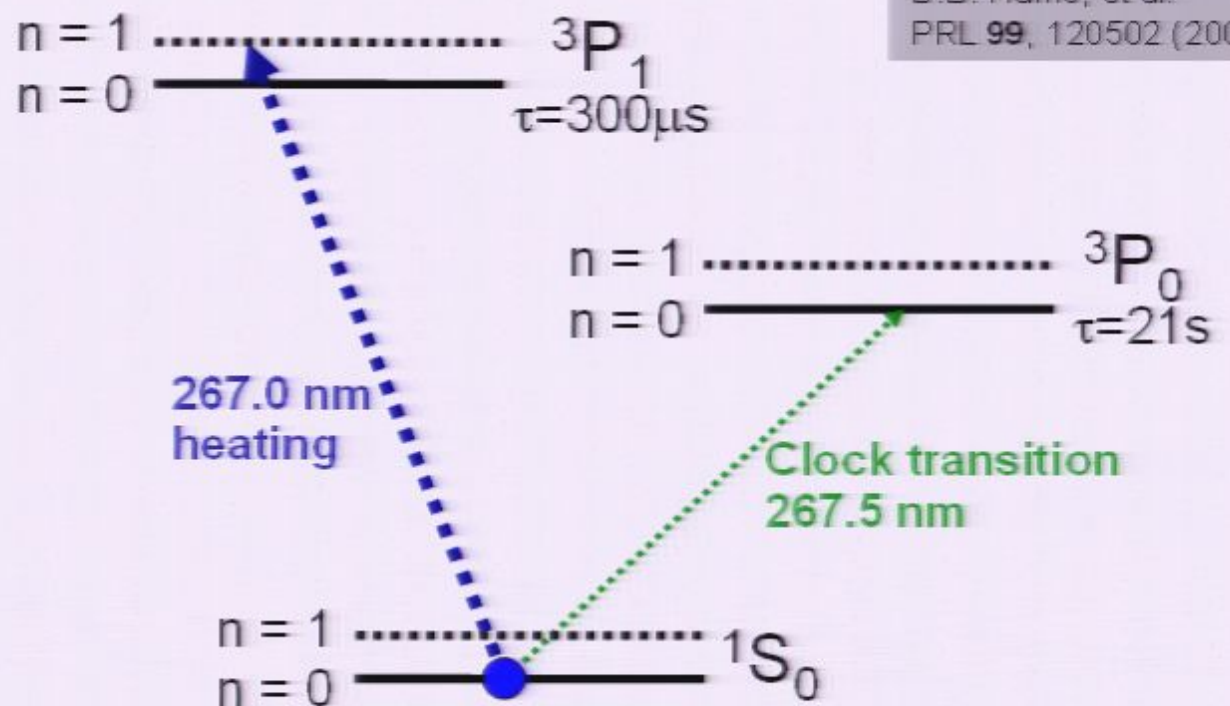
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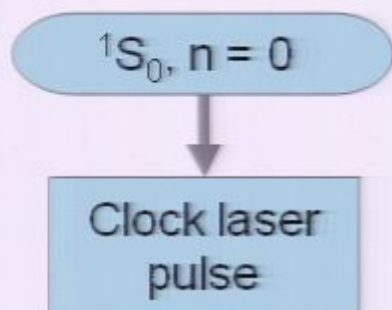
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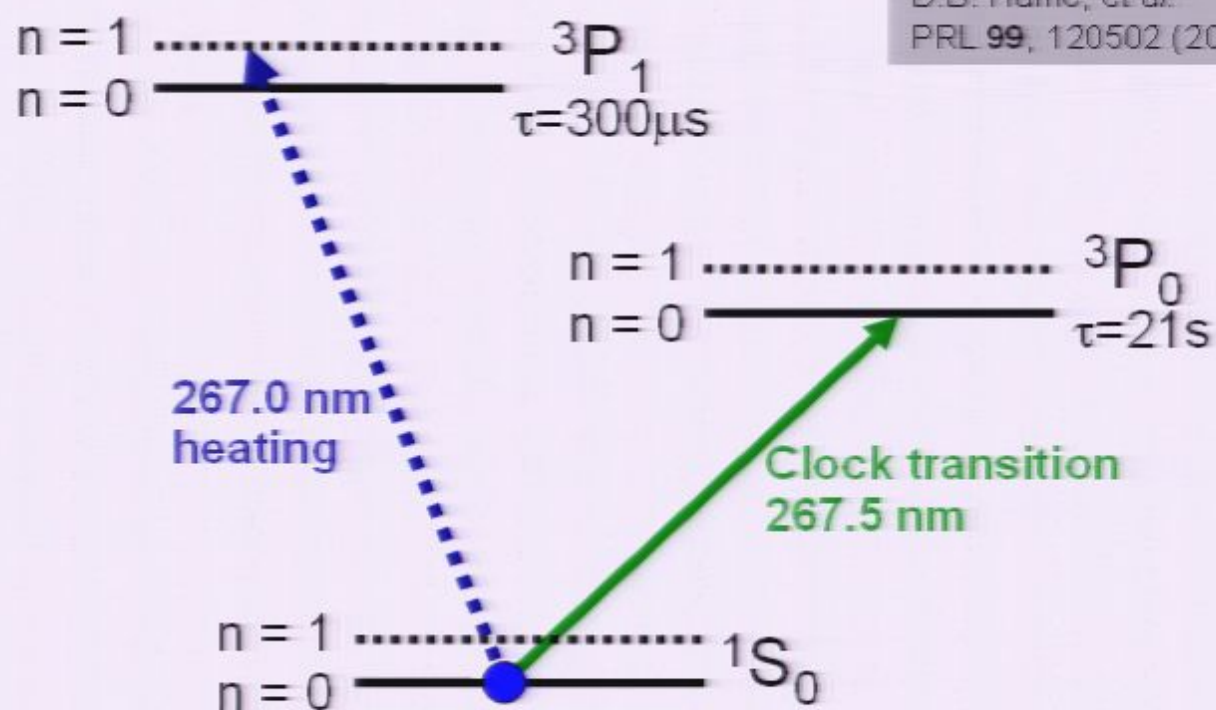
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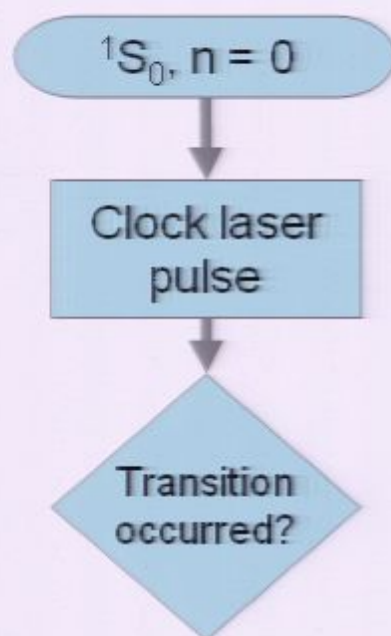
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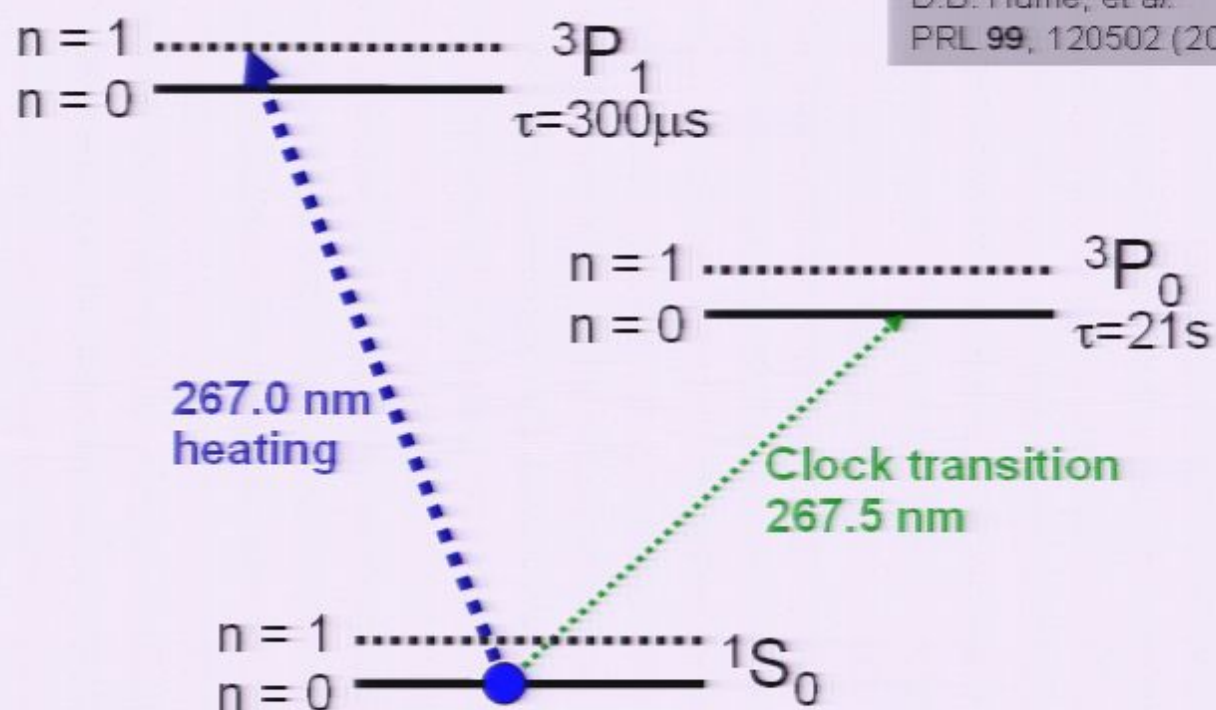


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$^1\text{S}_0, n=0$

Clock laser pulse

Transition occurred?

no

$^1\text{S}_0, n=0$

$n=1$ $^3\text{P}_1$
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267.0 nm heating

Clock transition
267.5 nm

$n=1$ $^1\text{S}_0$
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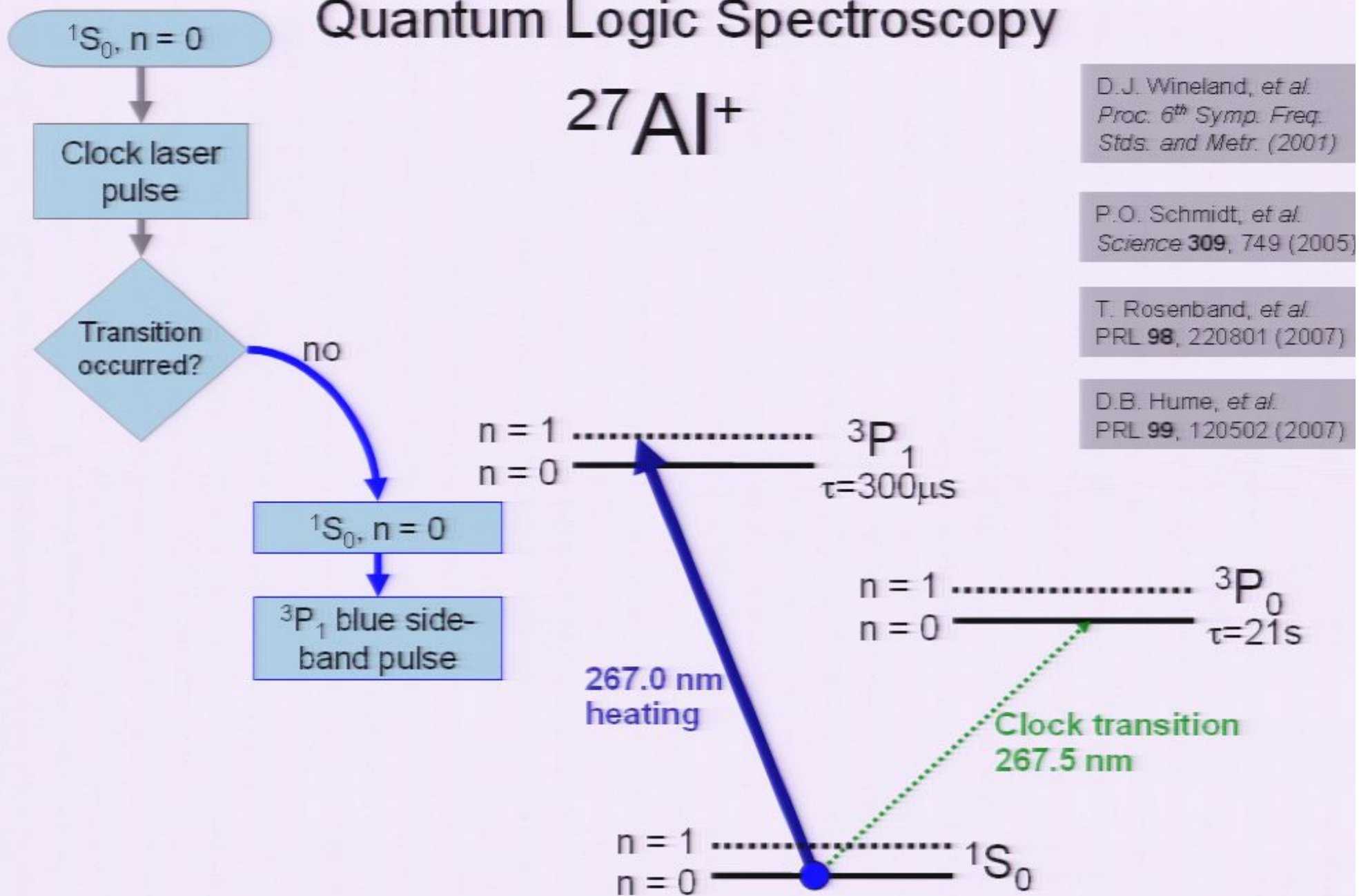
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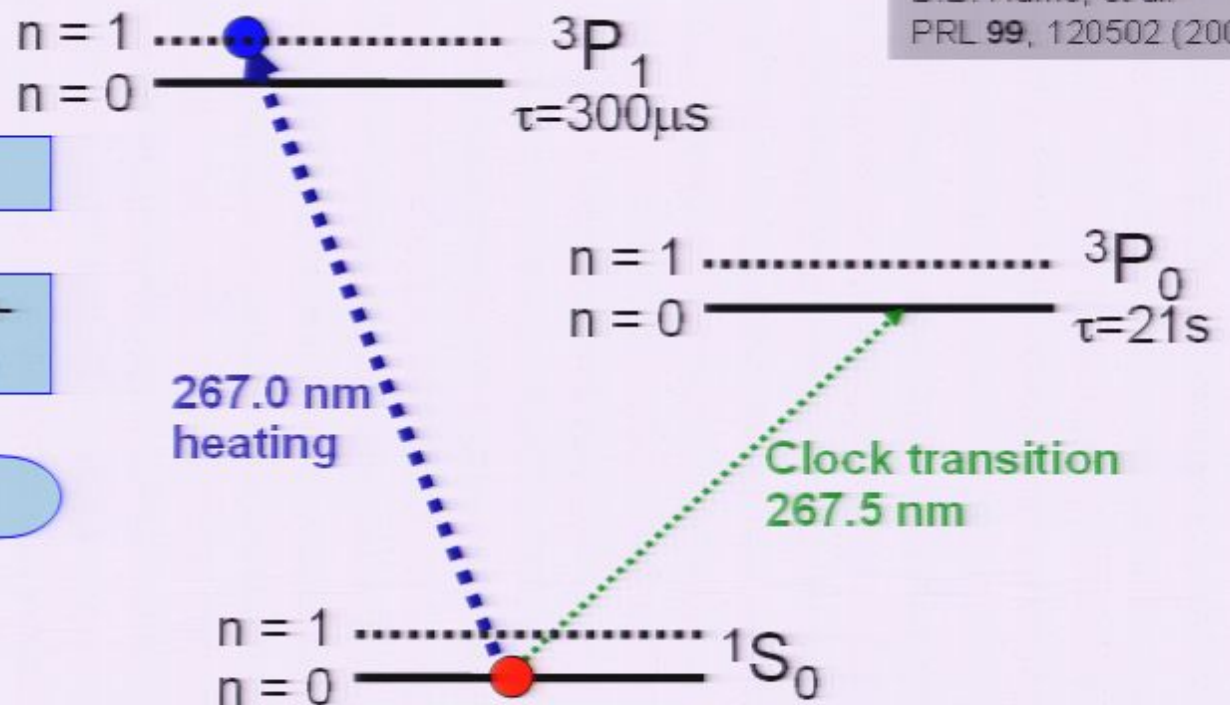
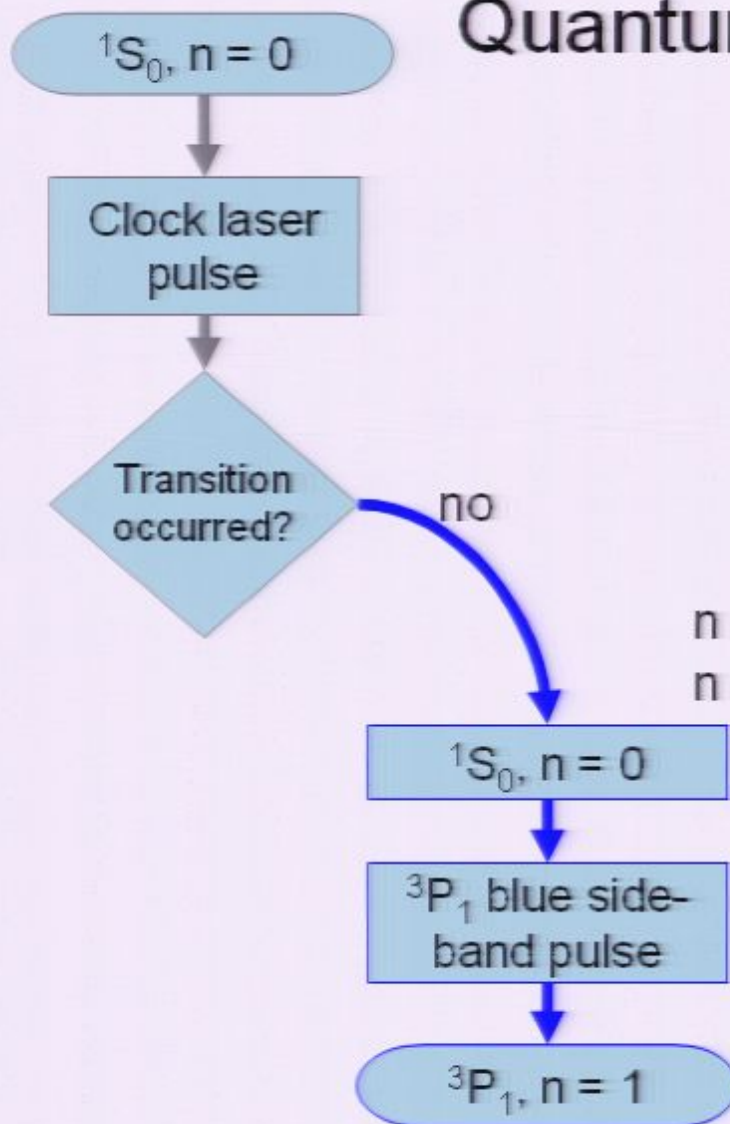
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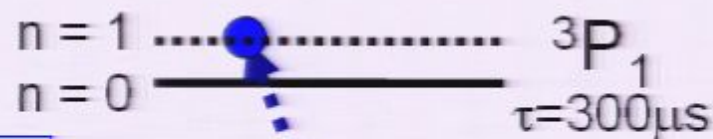
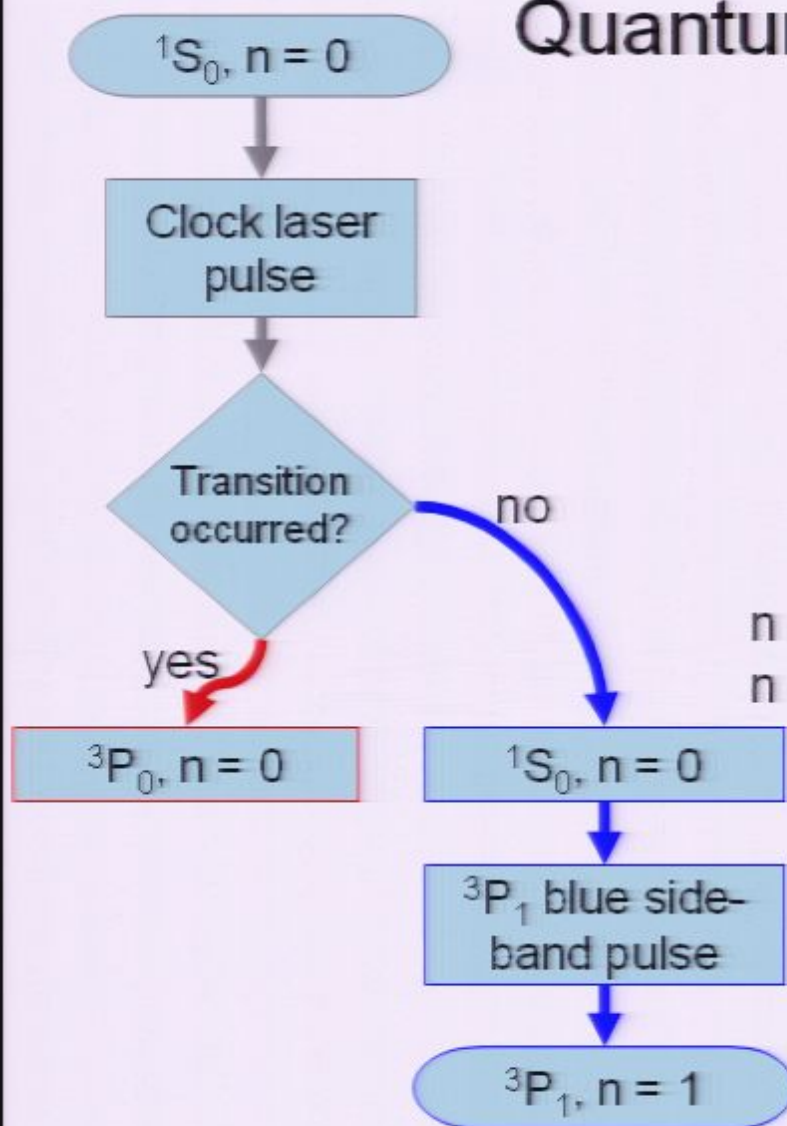
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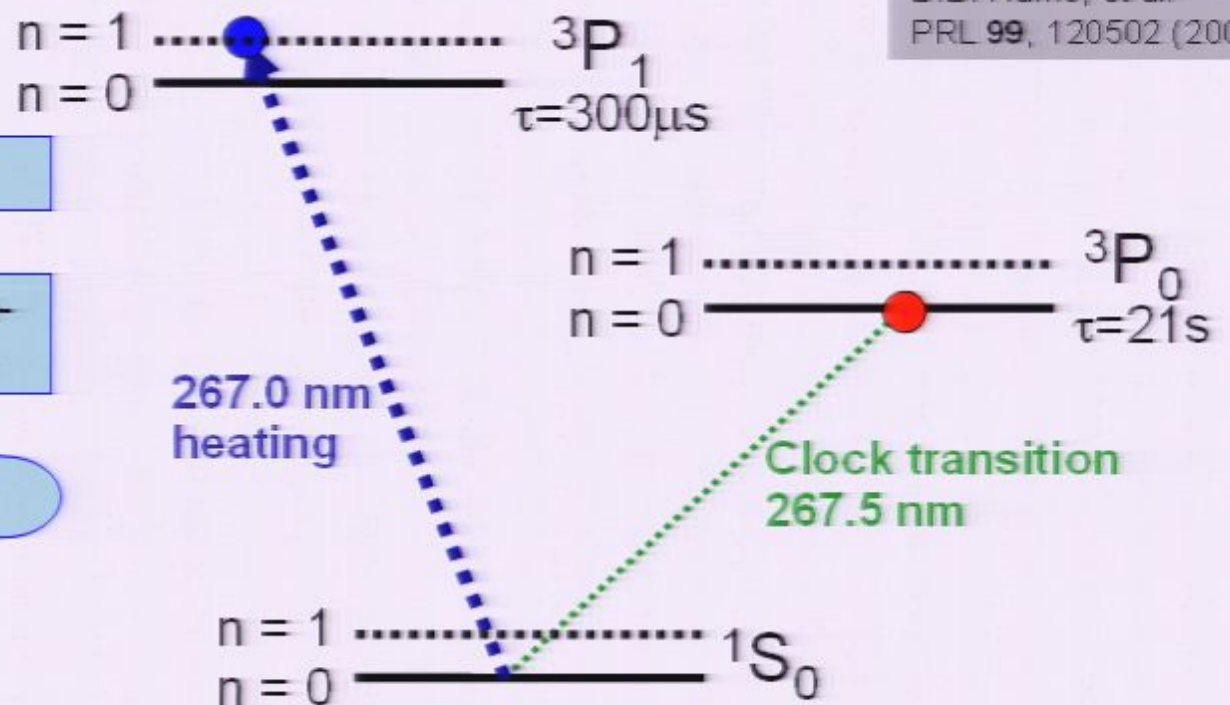
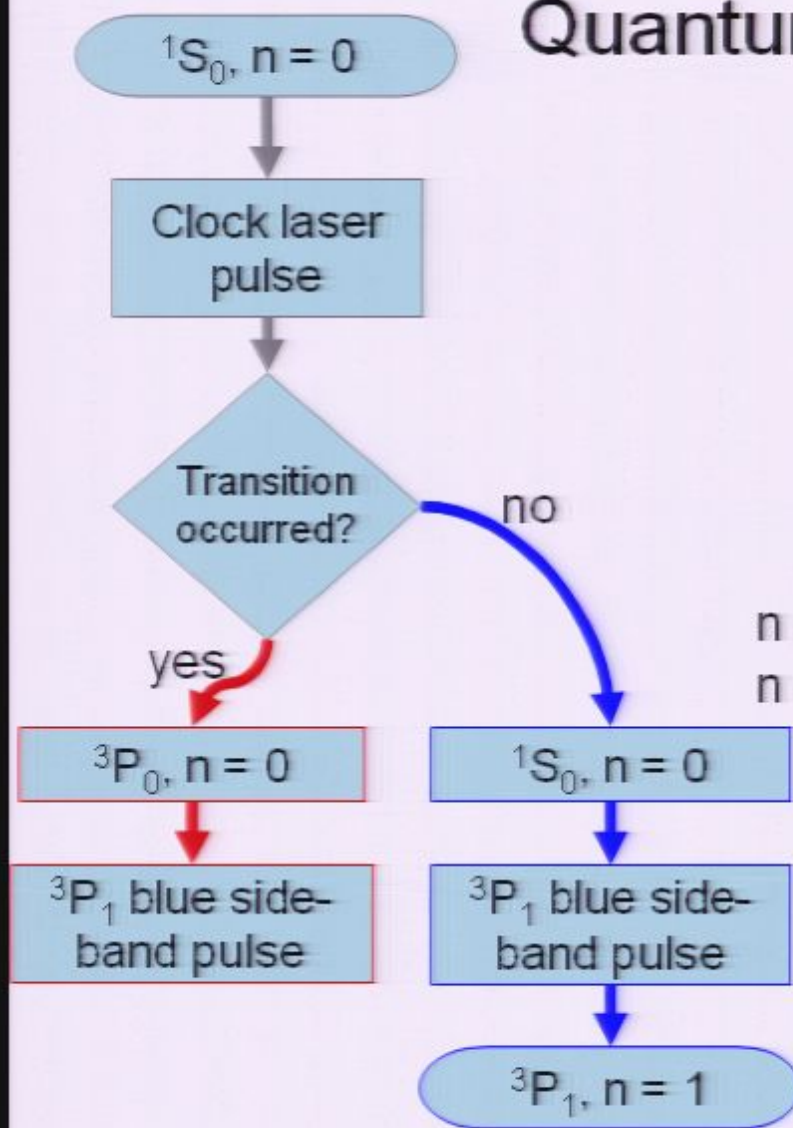
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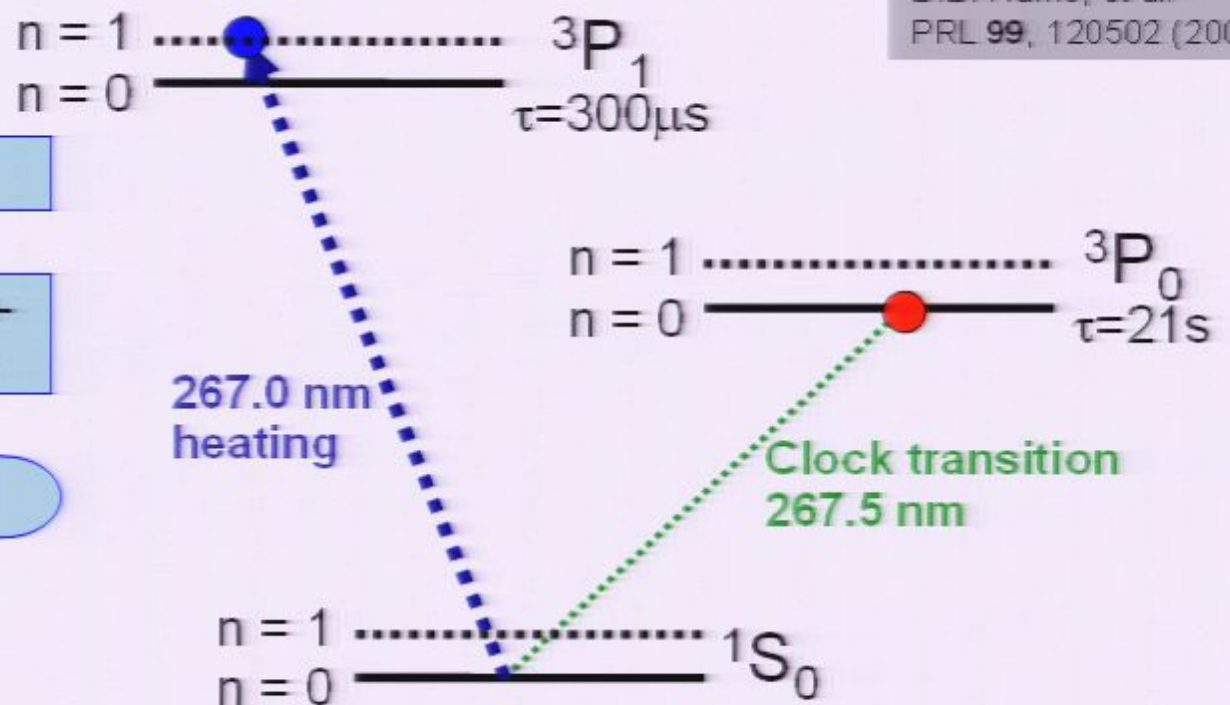
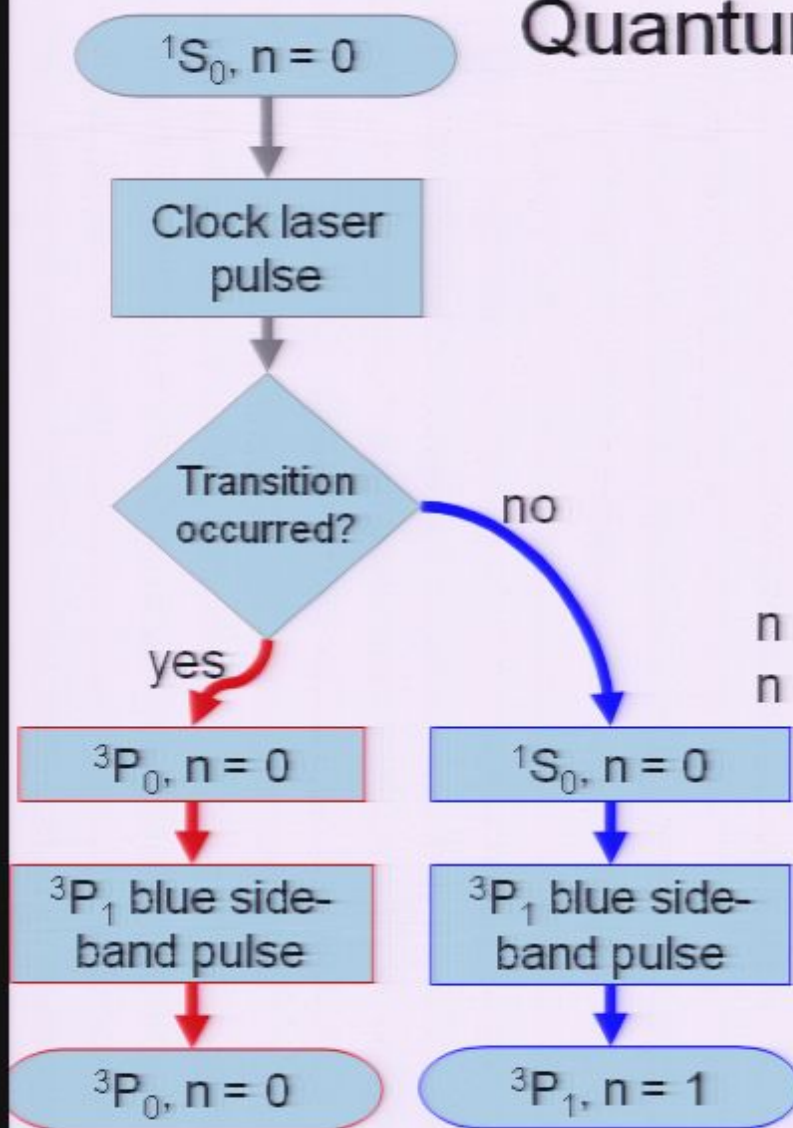
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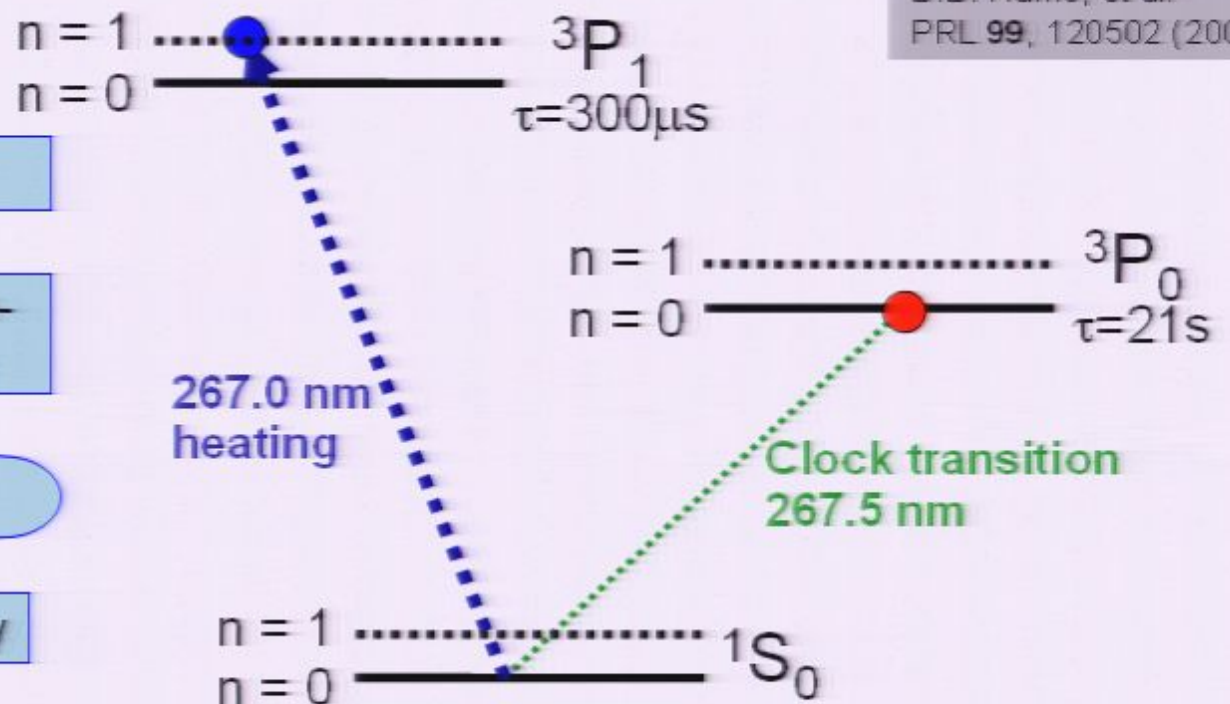
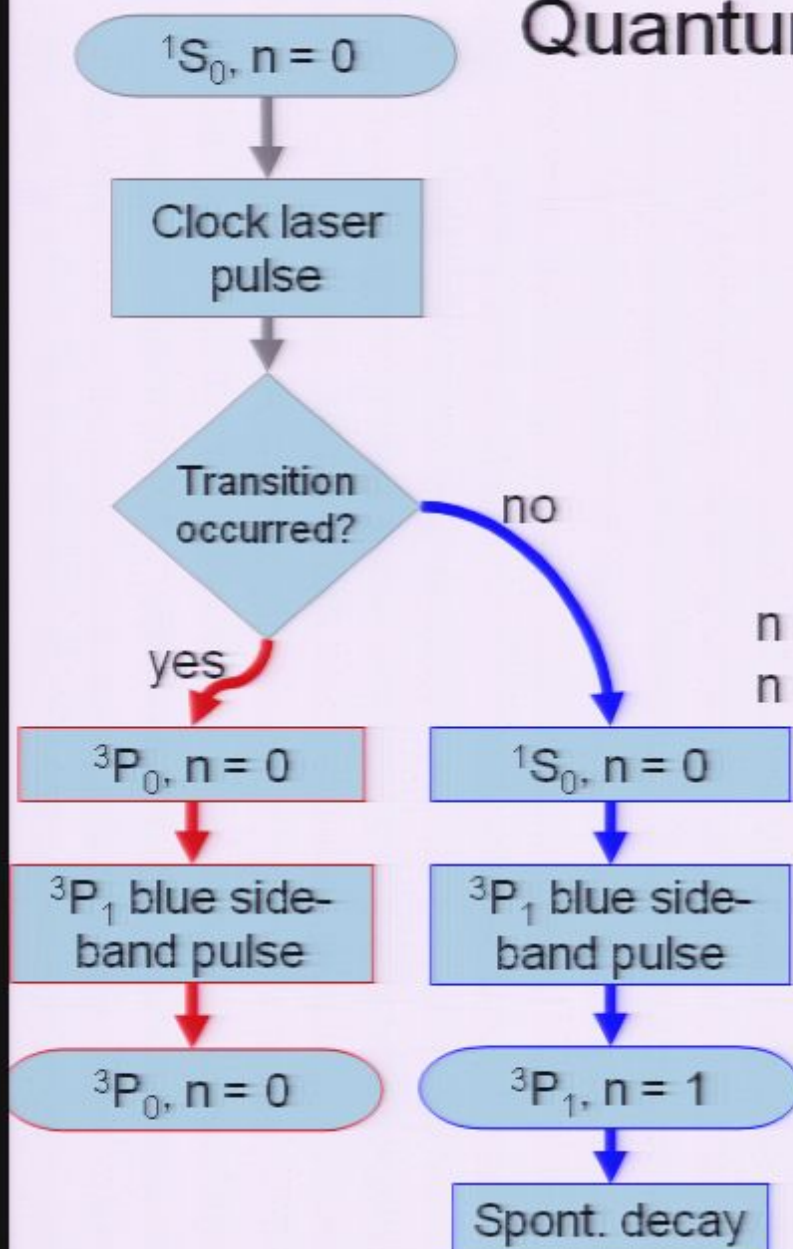
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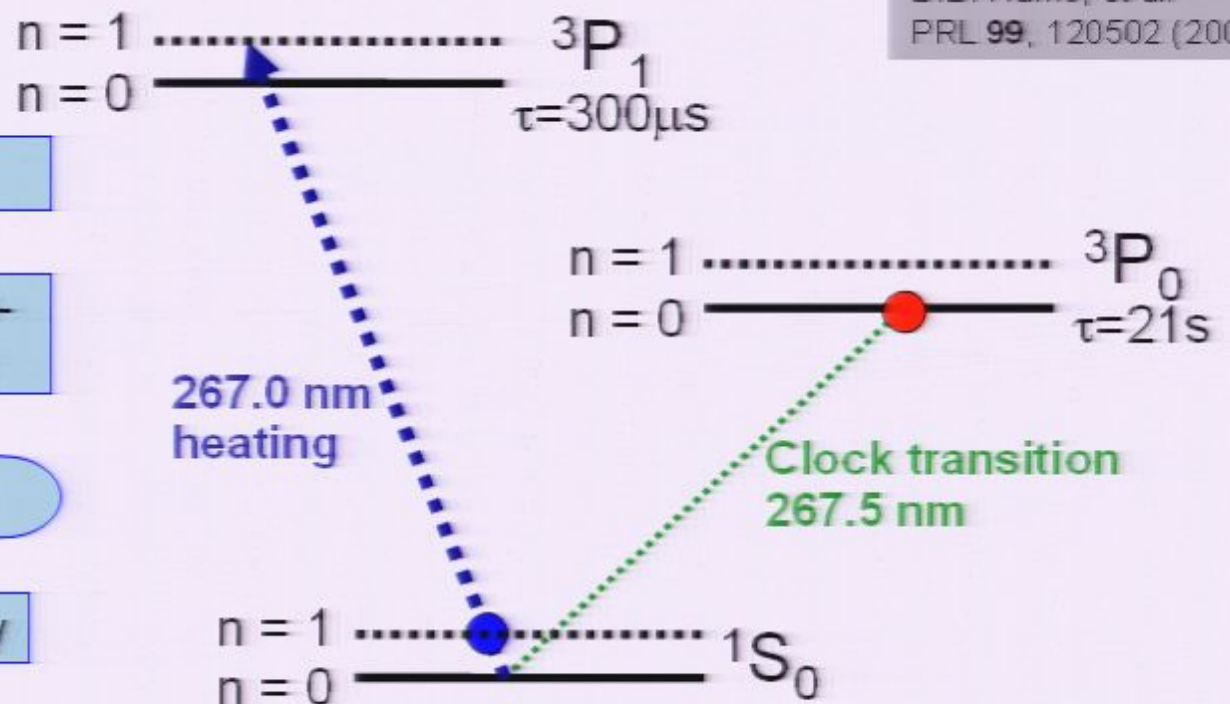
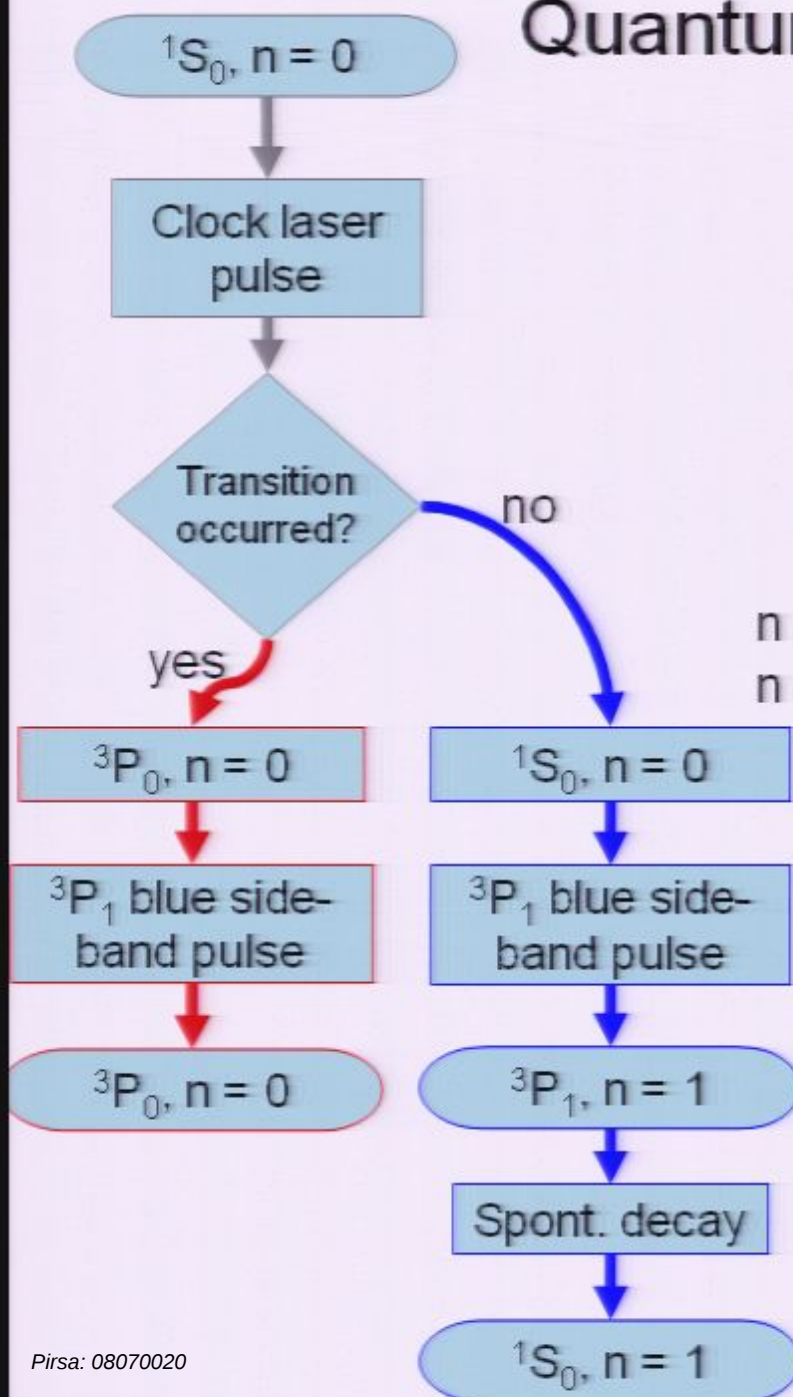
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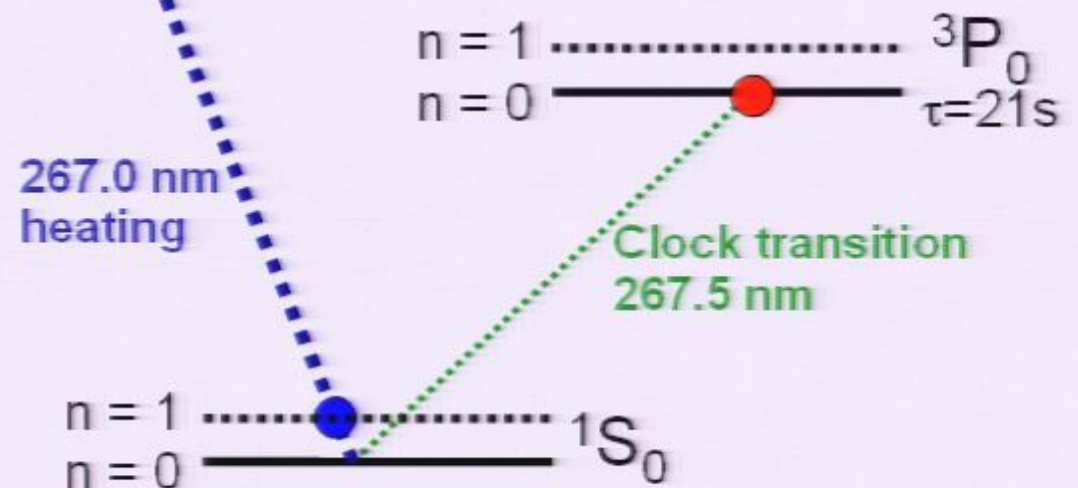
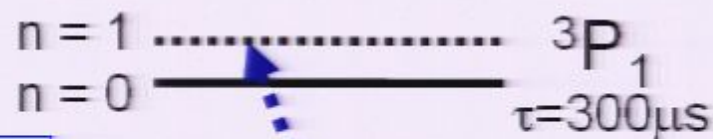
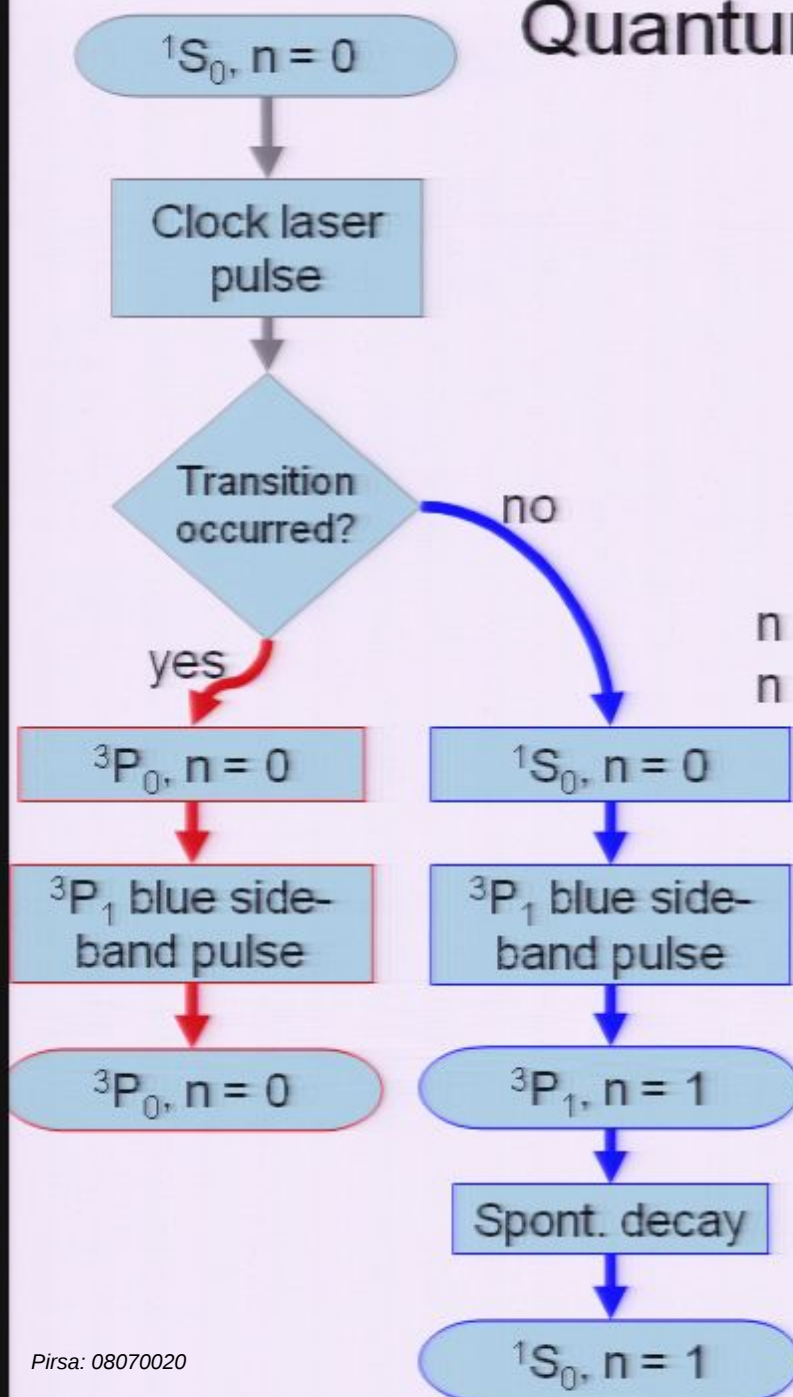
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Quantum
 Non-Demolition (QND)
 Measurement of
 $^{27}\text{Al}^+$ state

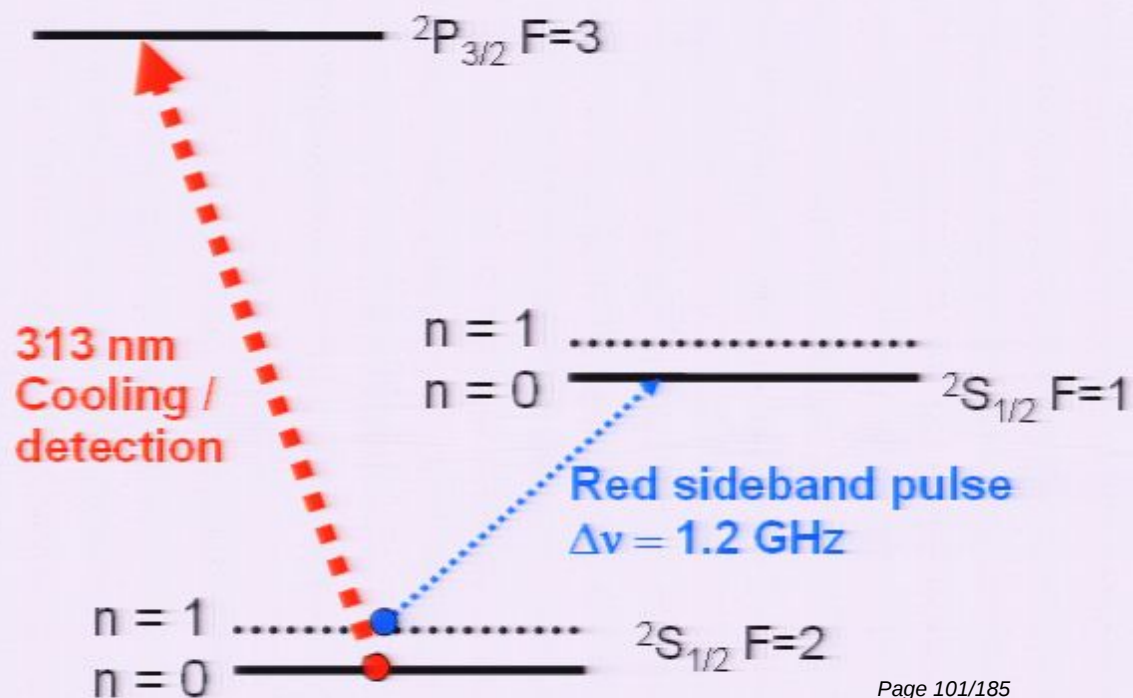


Single phonon detection

${}^9\text{Be}^+$

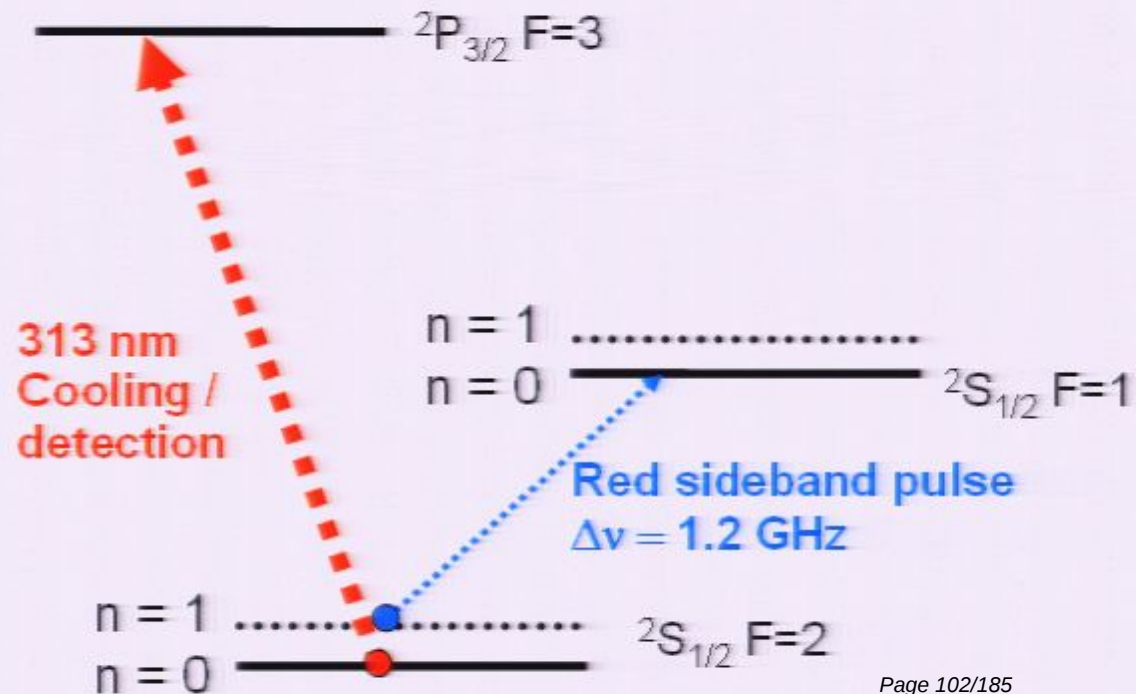
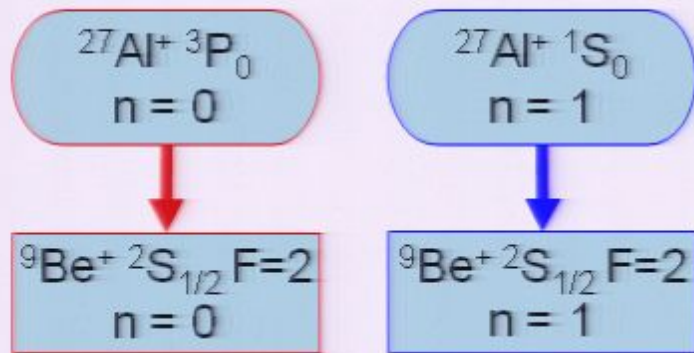
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 $n = 1$



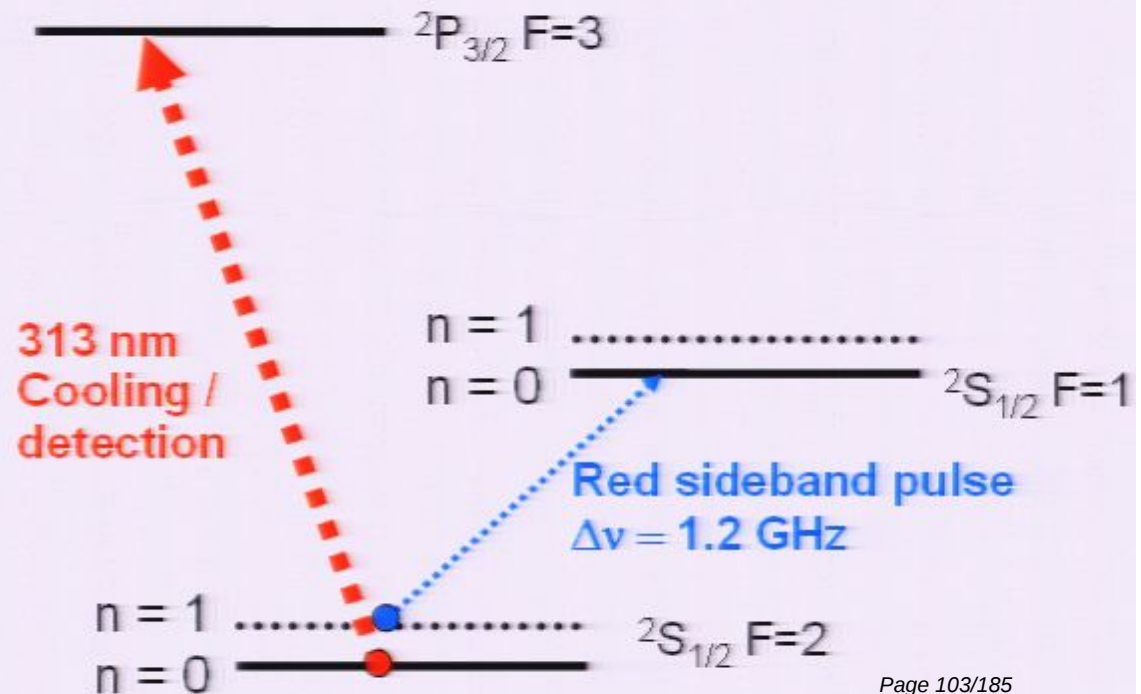
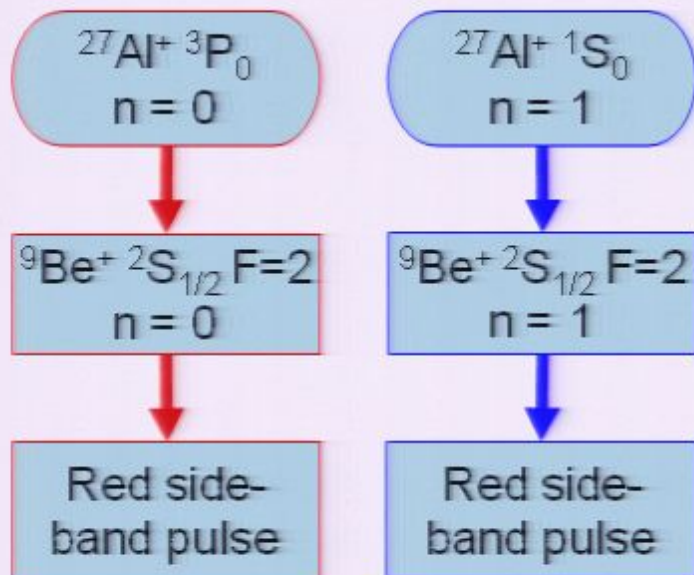
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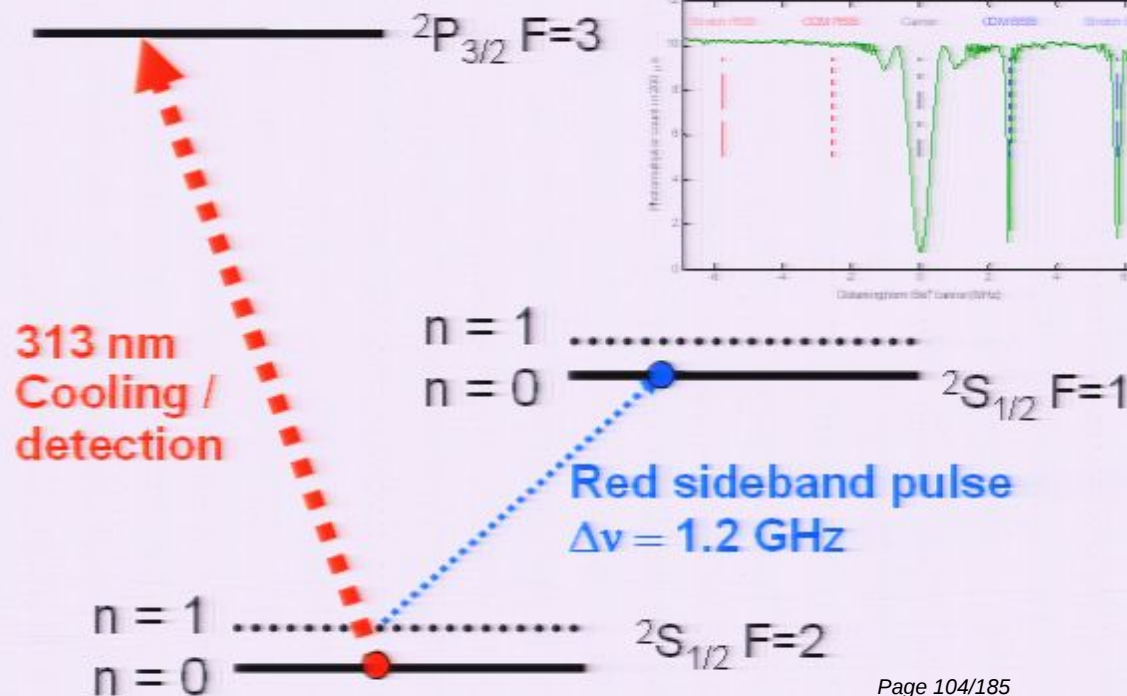
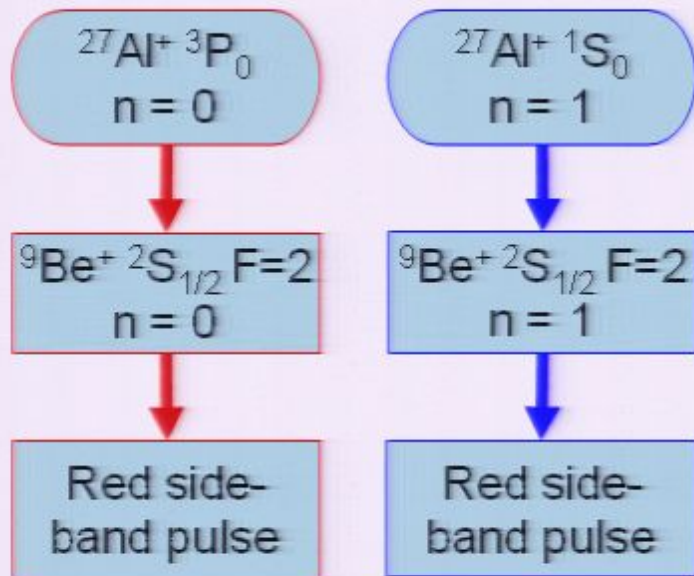
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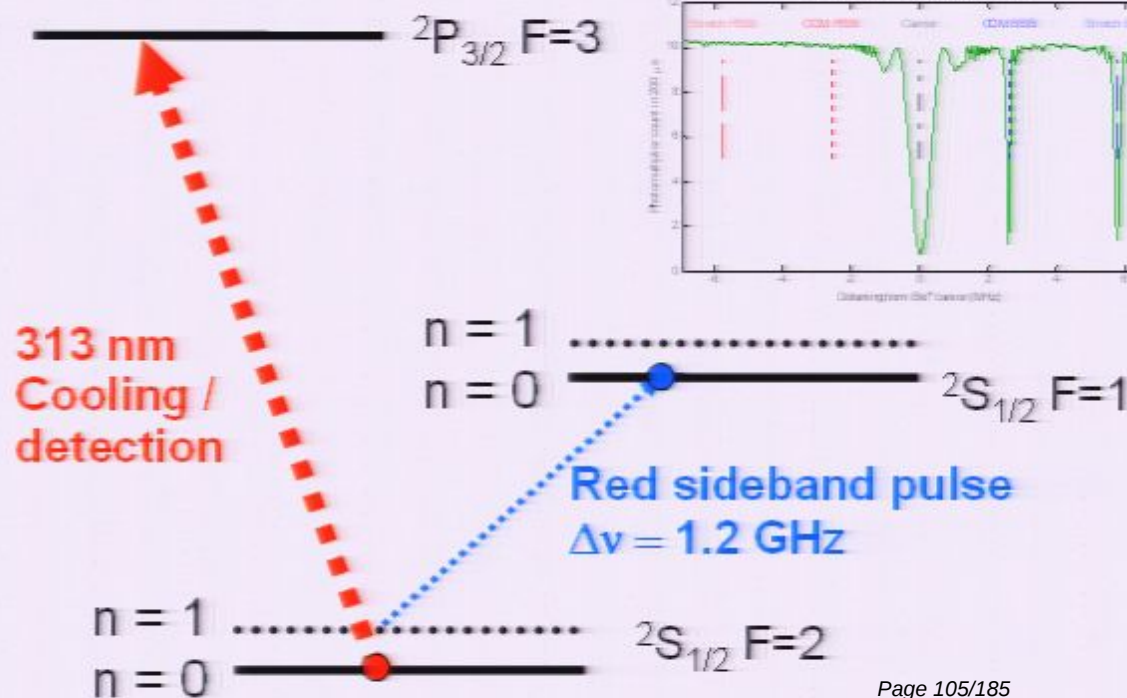
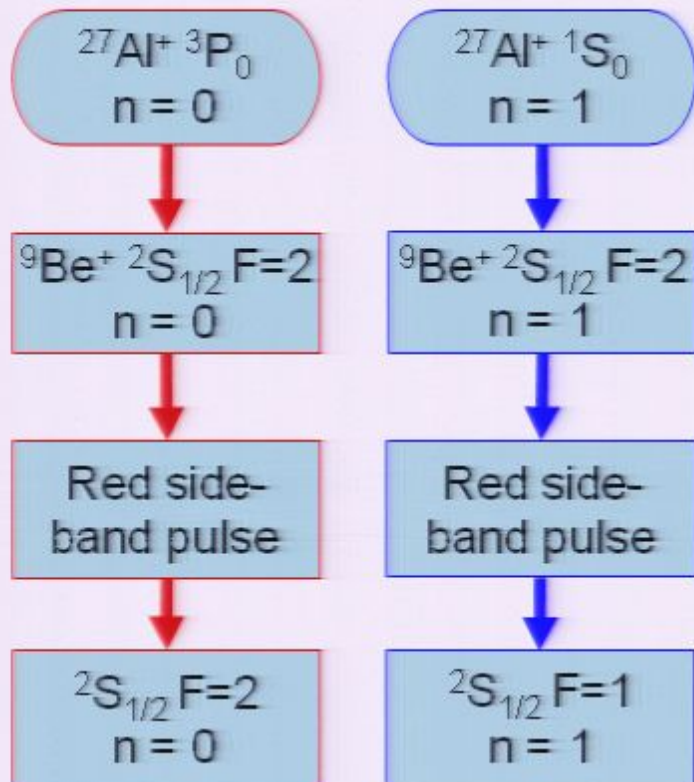
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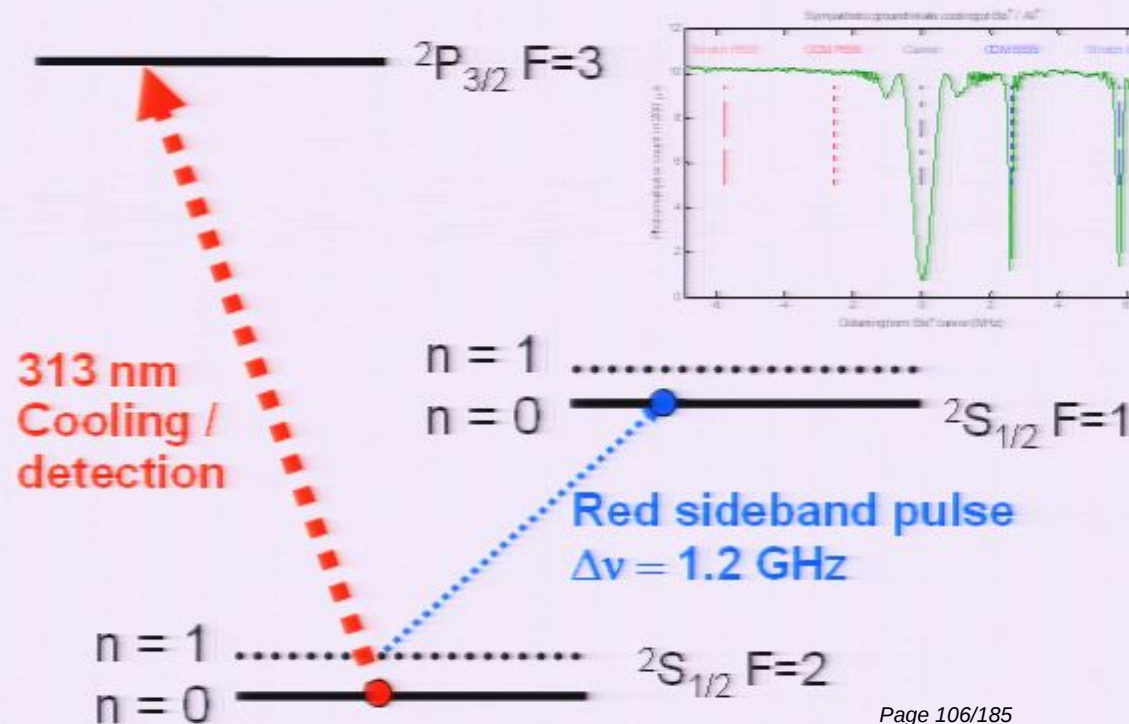
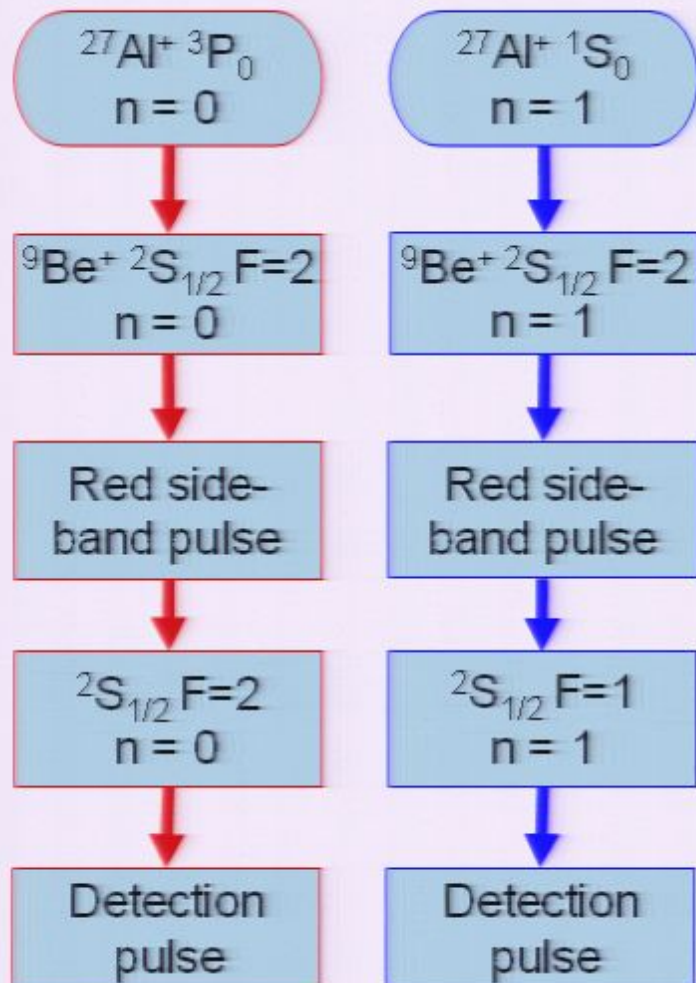
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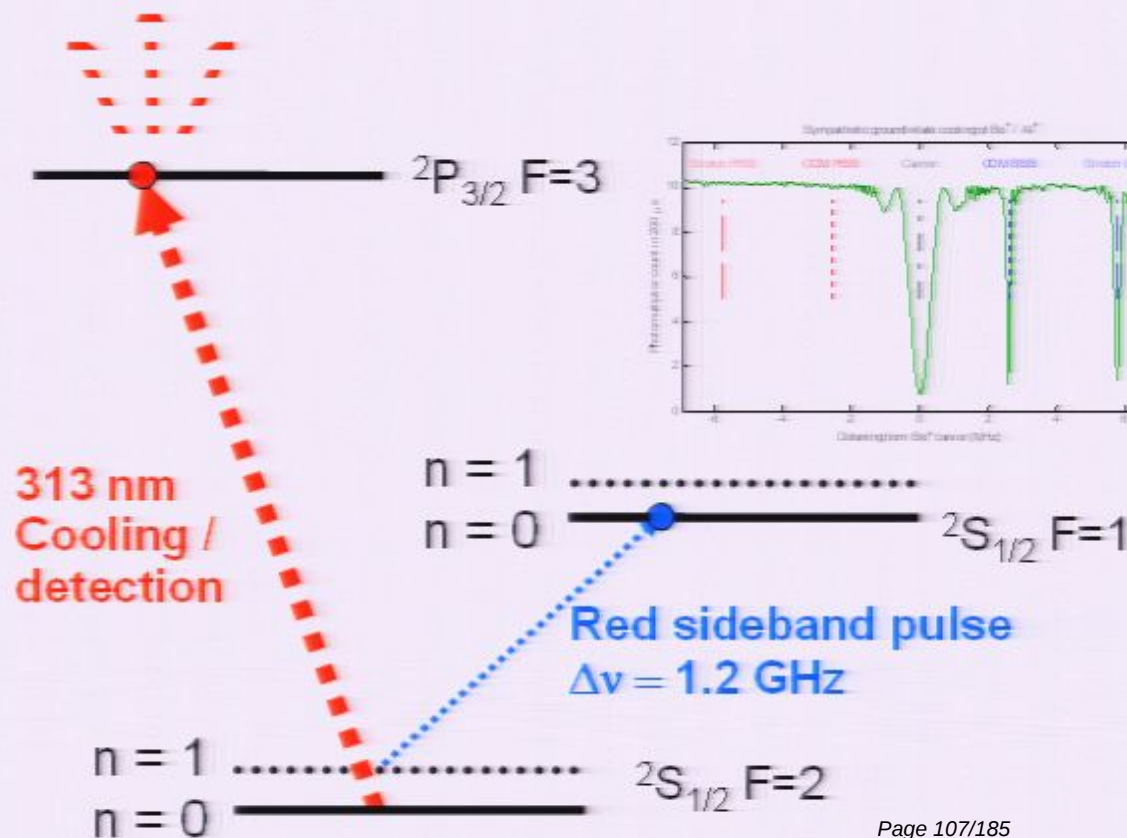
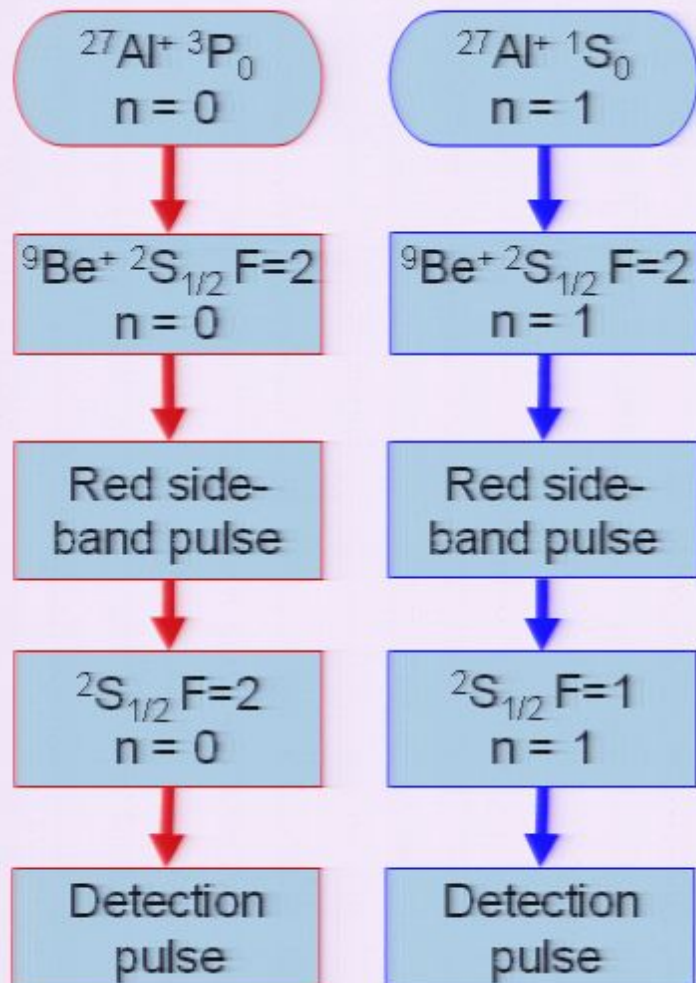
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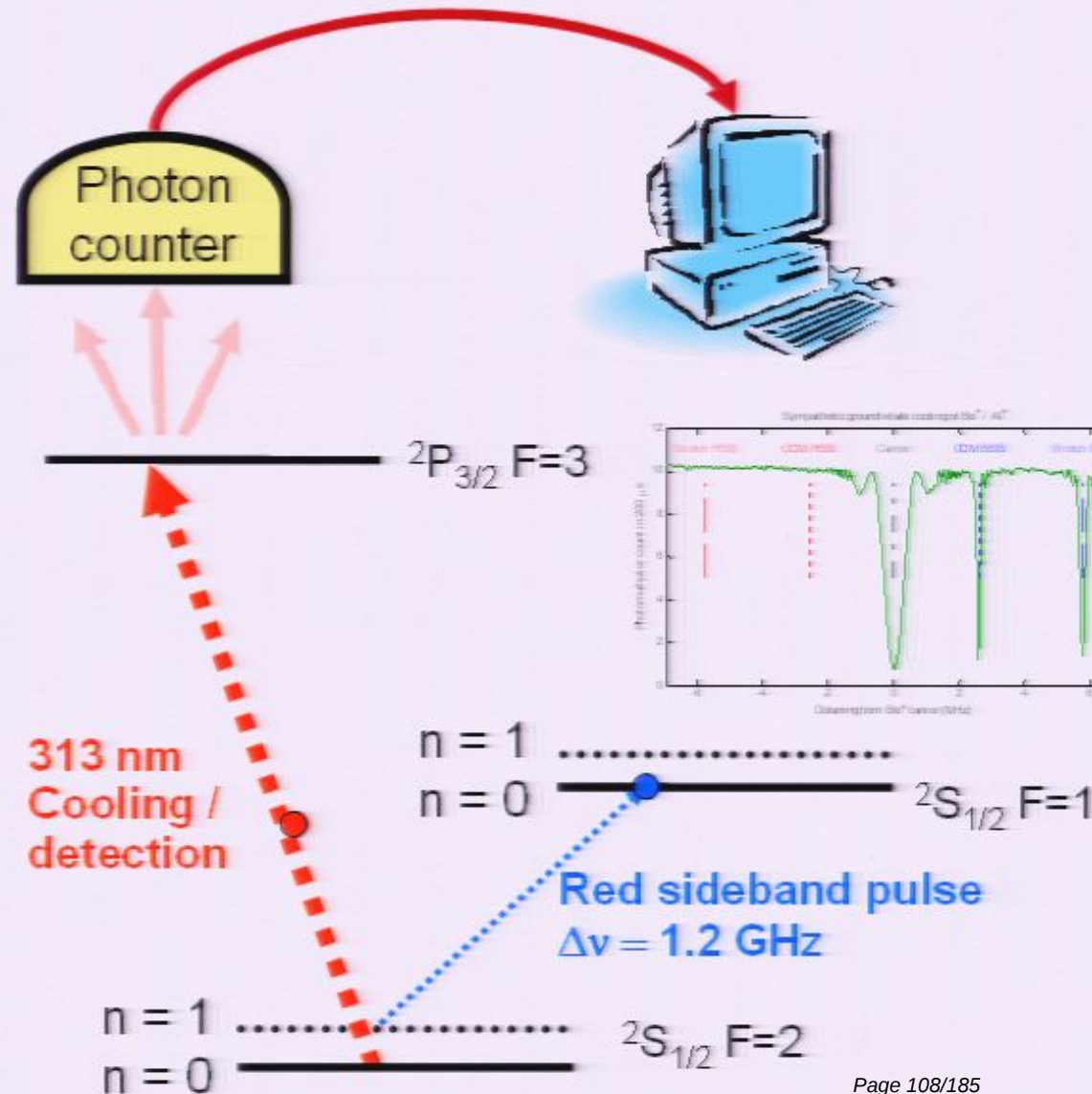
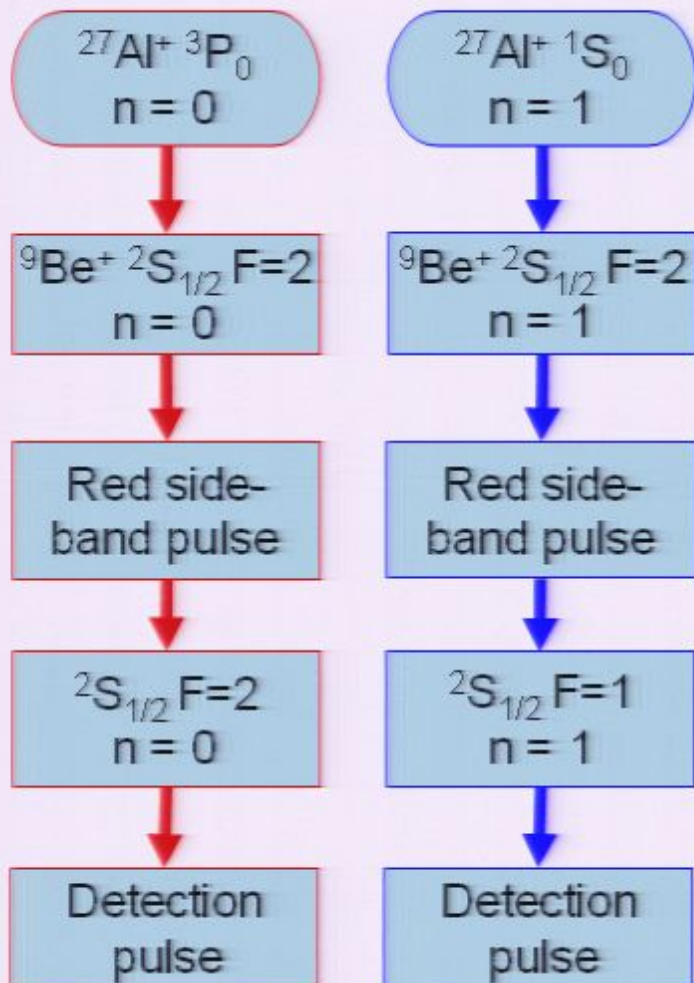
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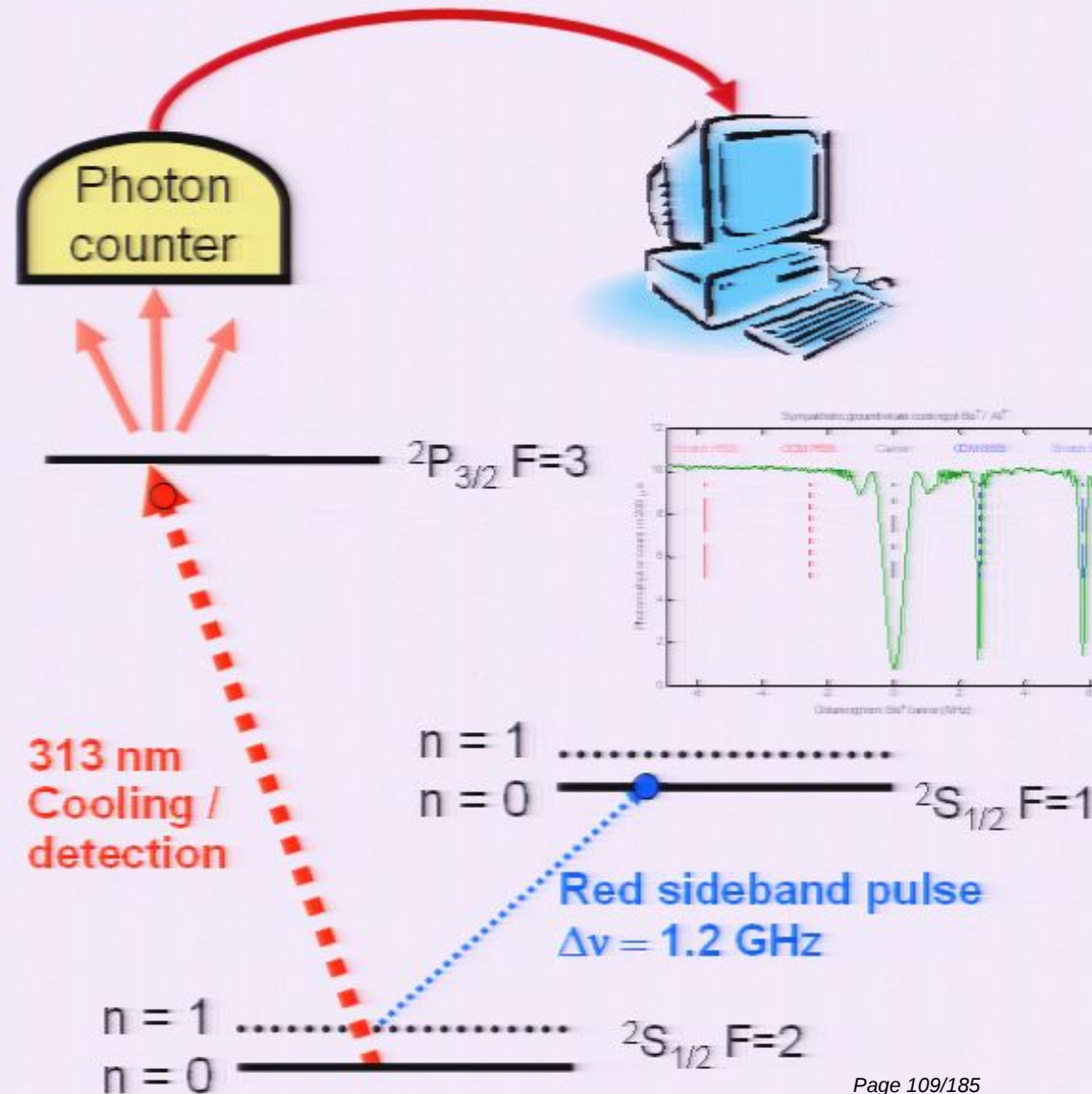
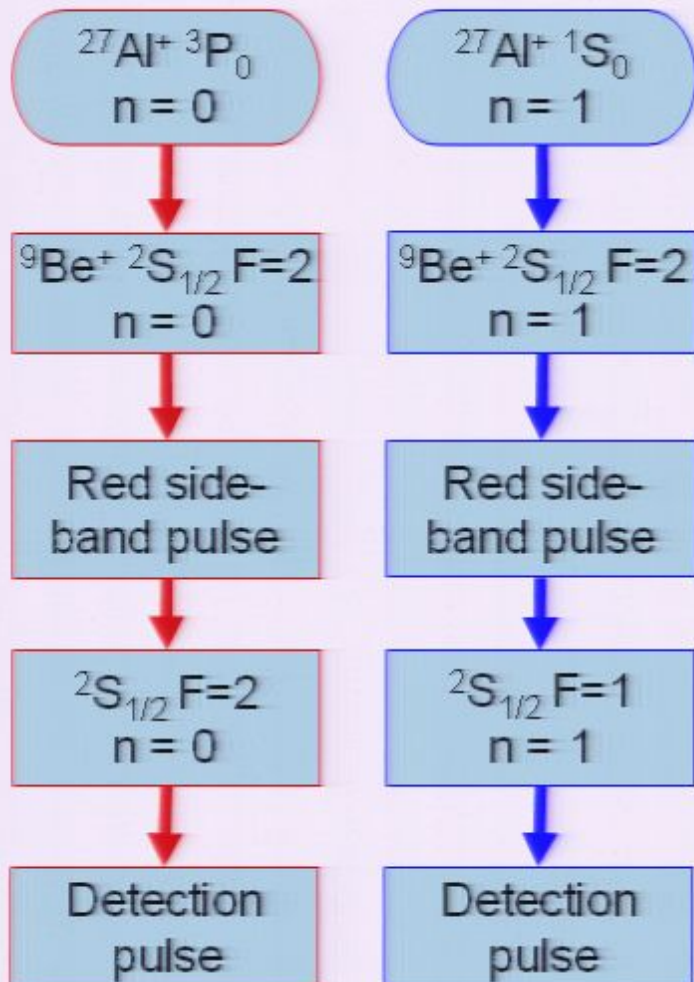
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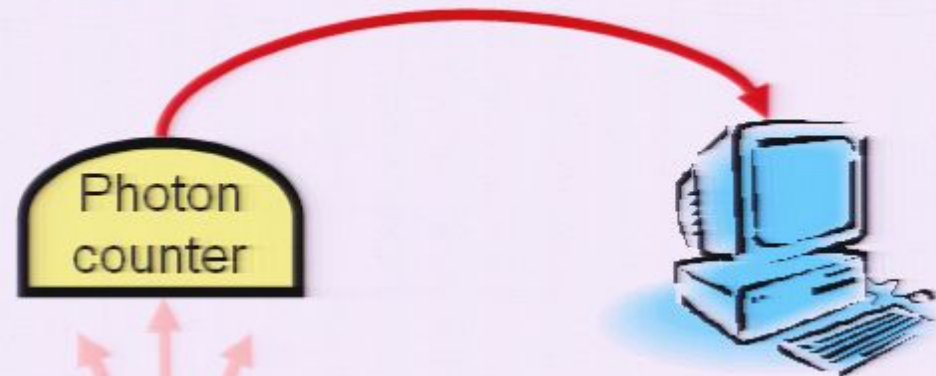
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Red side-band pulse

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$^2\text{S}_{1/2} \ F=2$
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Detection pulse

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8 photons

0 photons

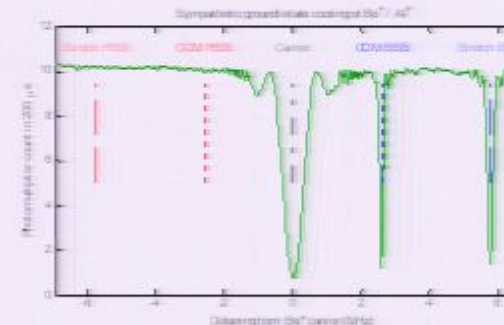
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313 nm
Cooling /
detection

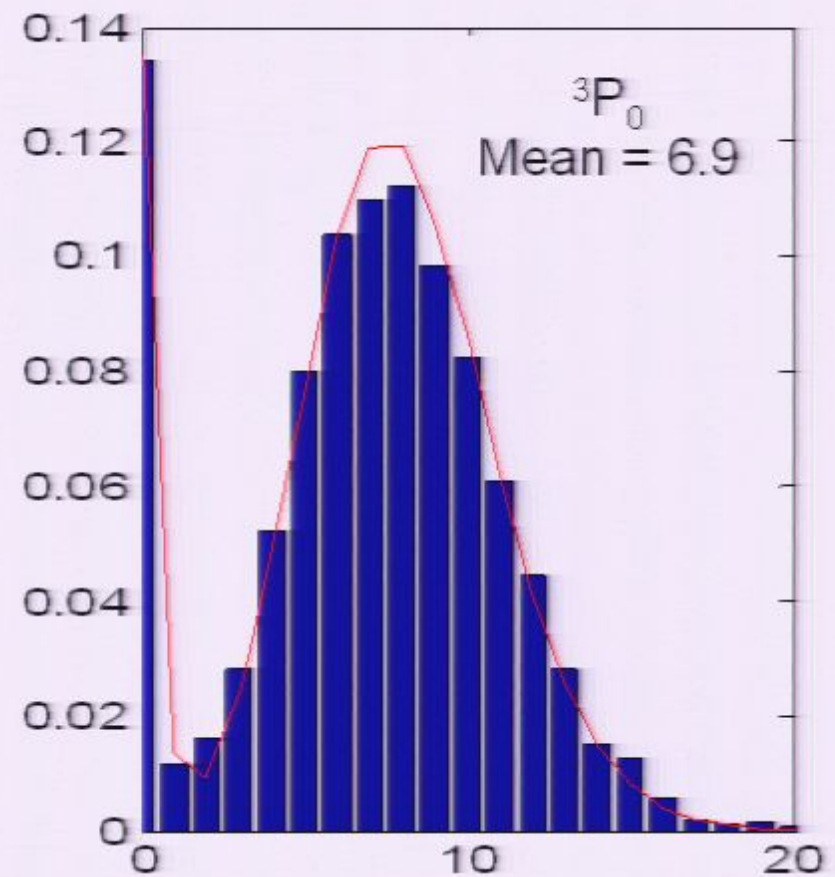
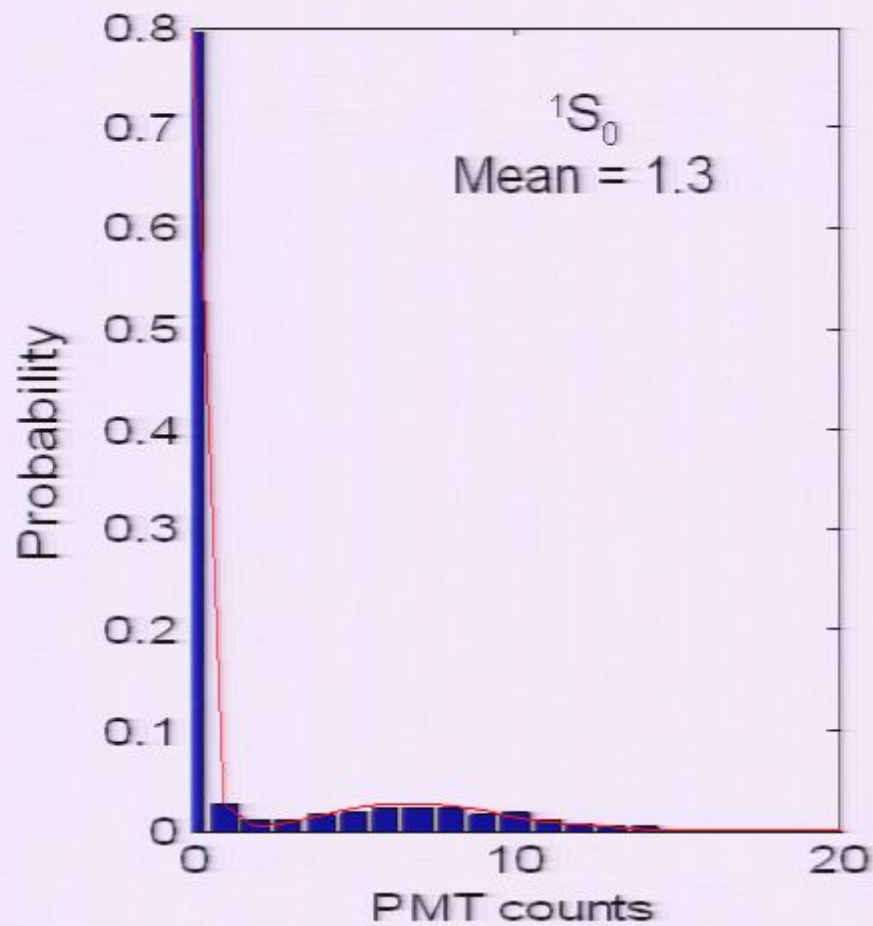
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Red sideband pulse
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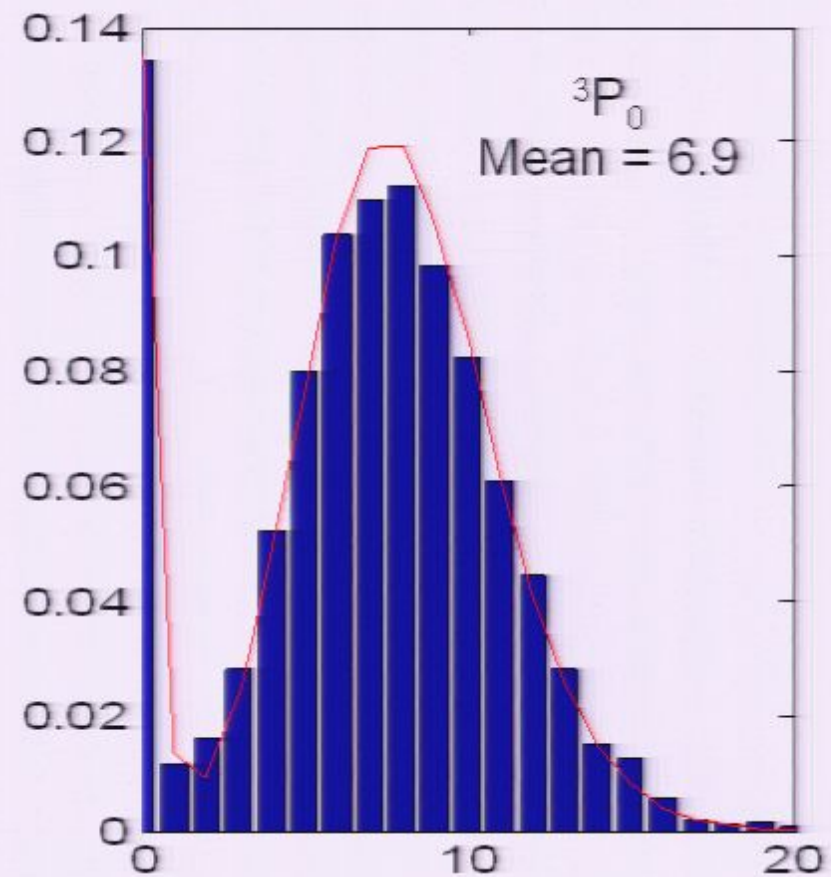
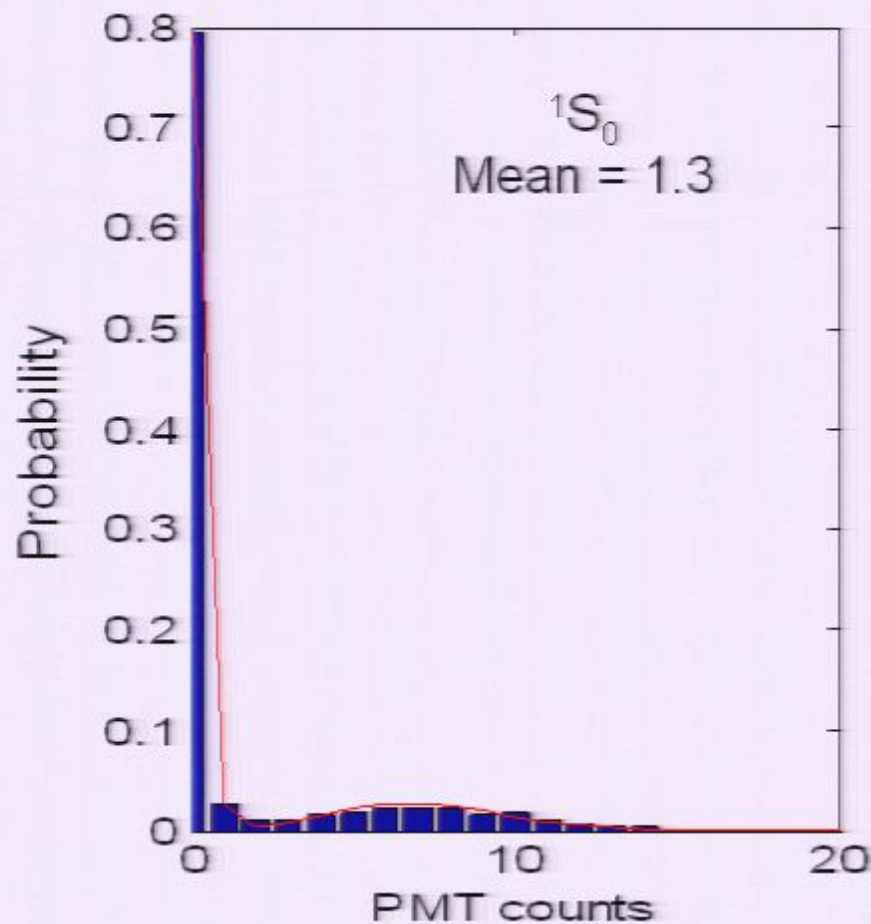
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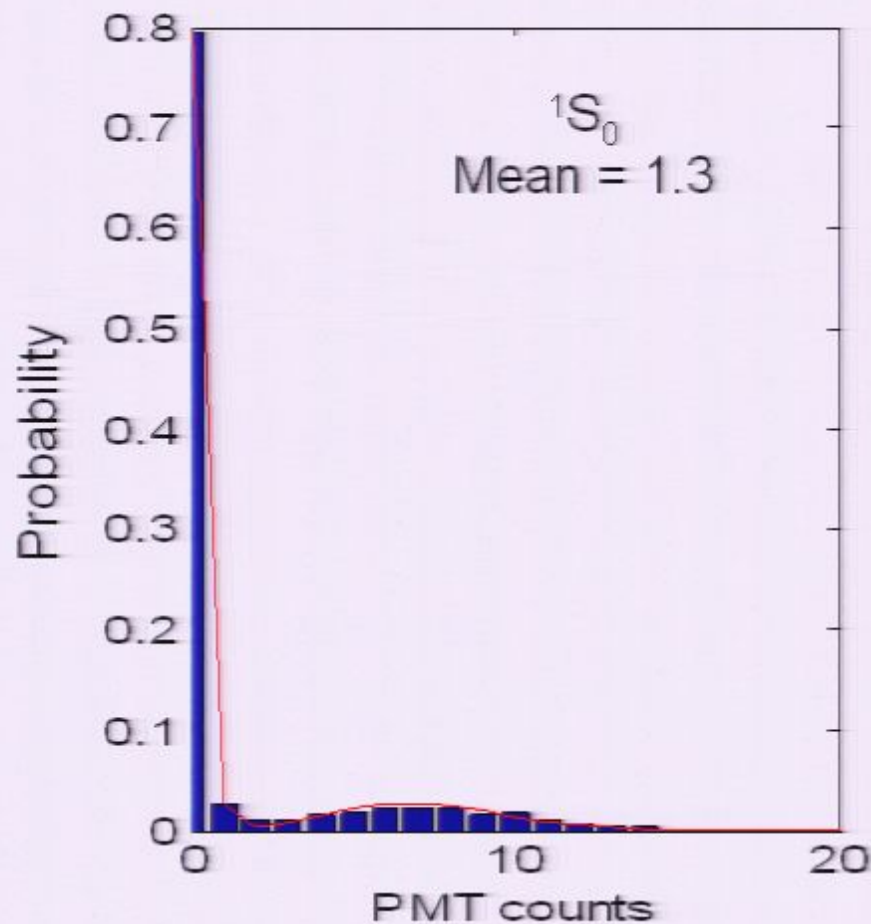


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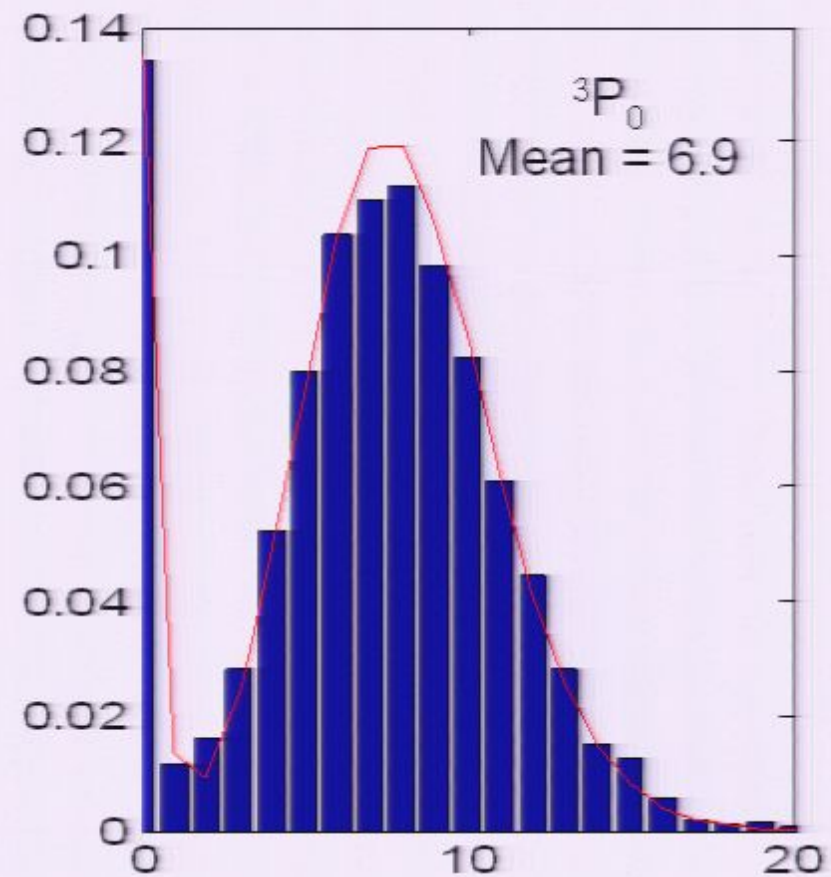


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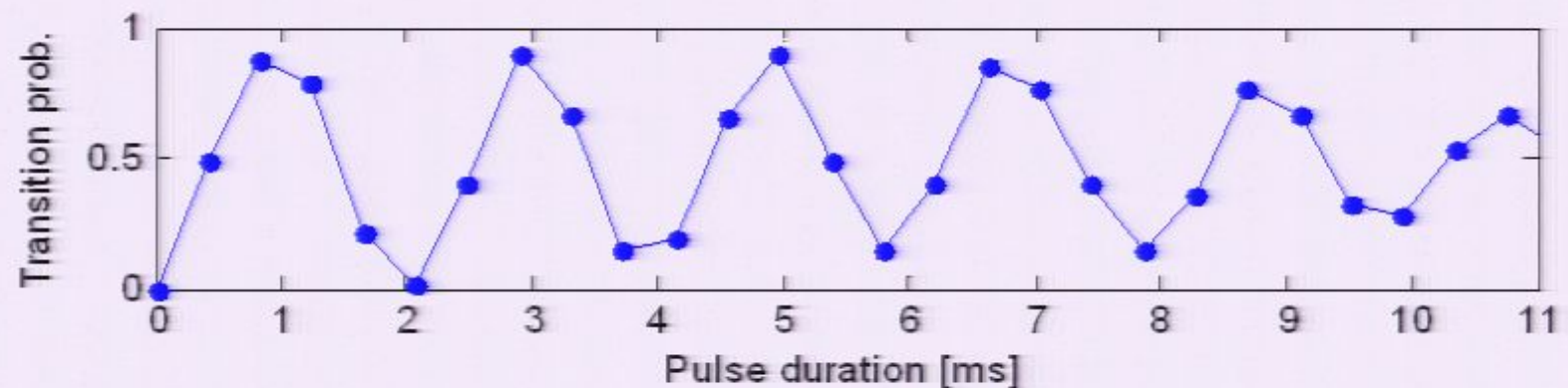
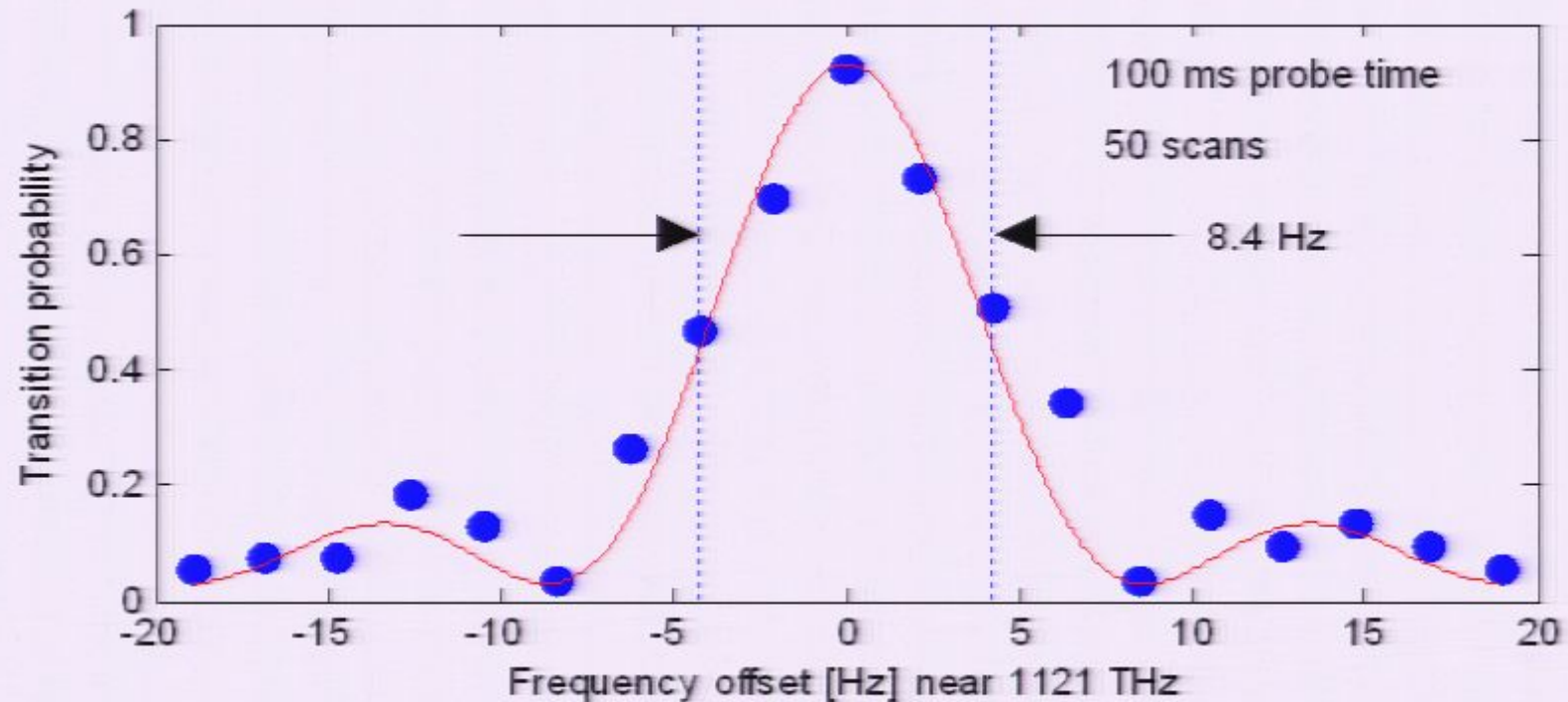


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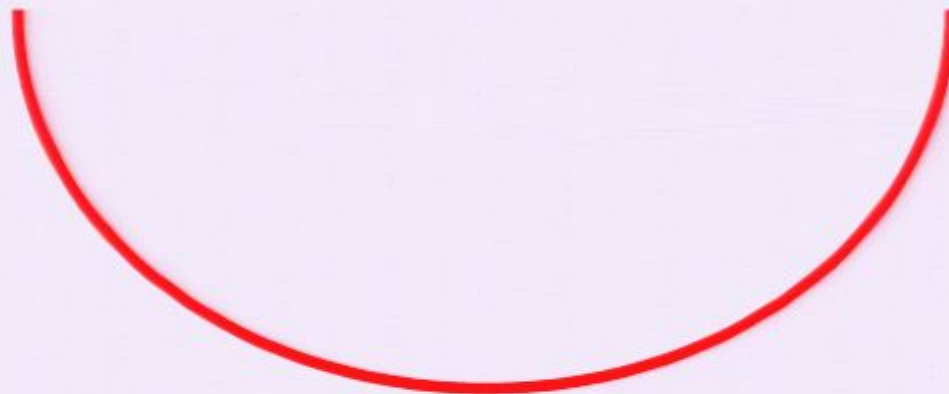


99.94% Detection fidelity

Rabi Spectroscopy



Using two ions



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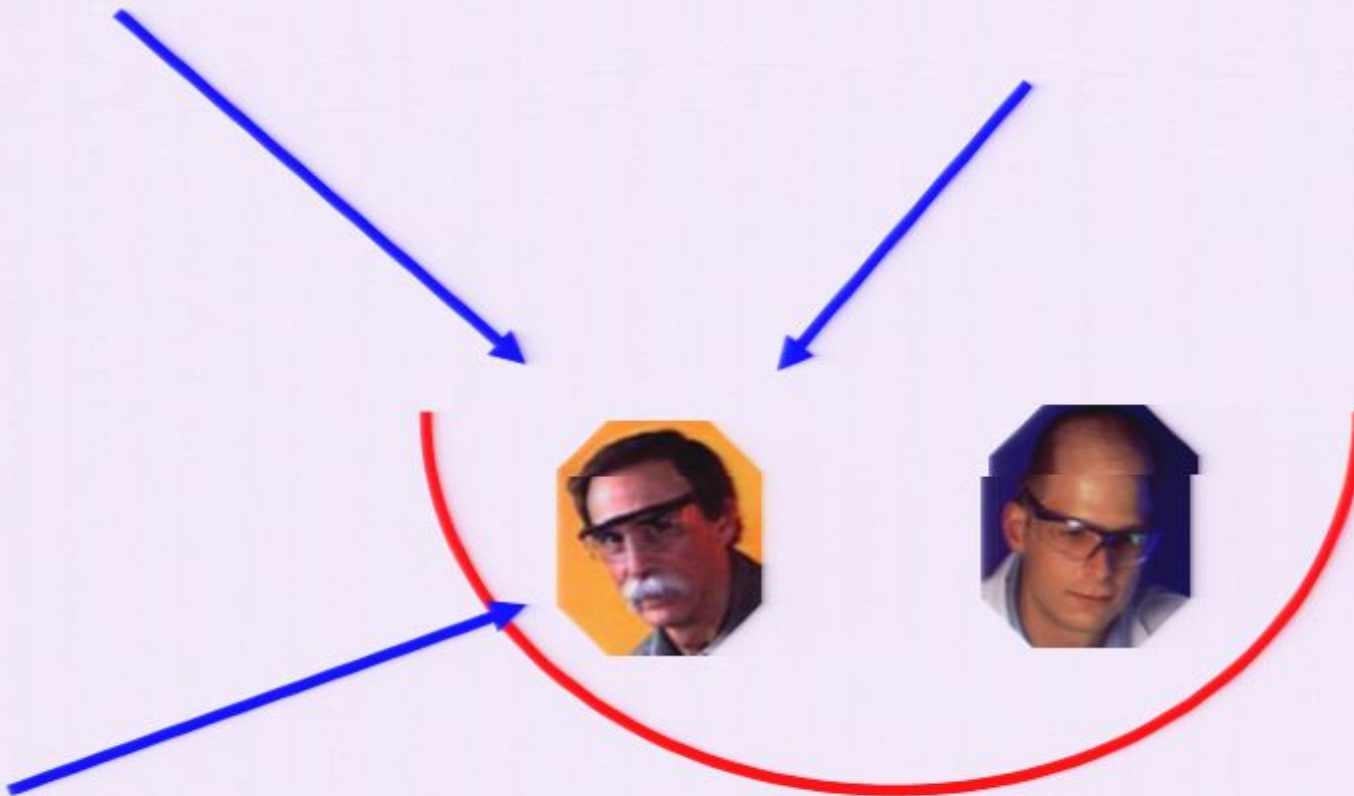
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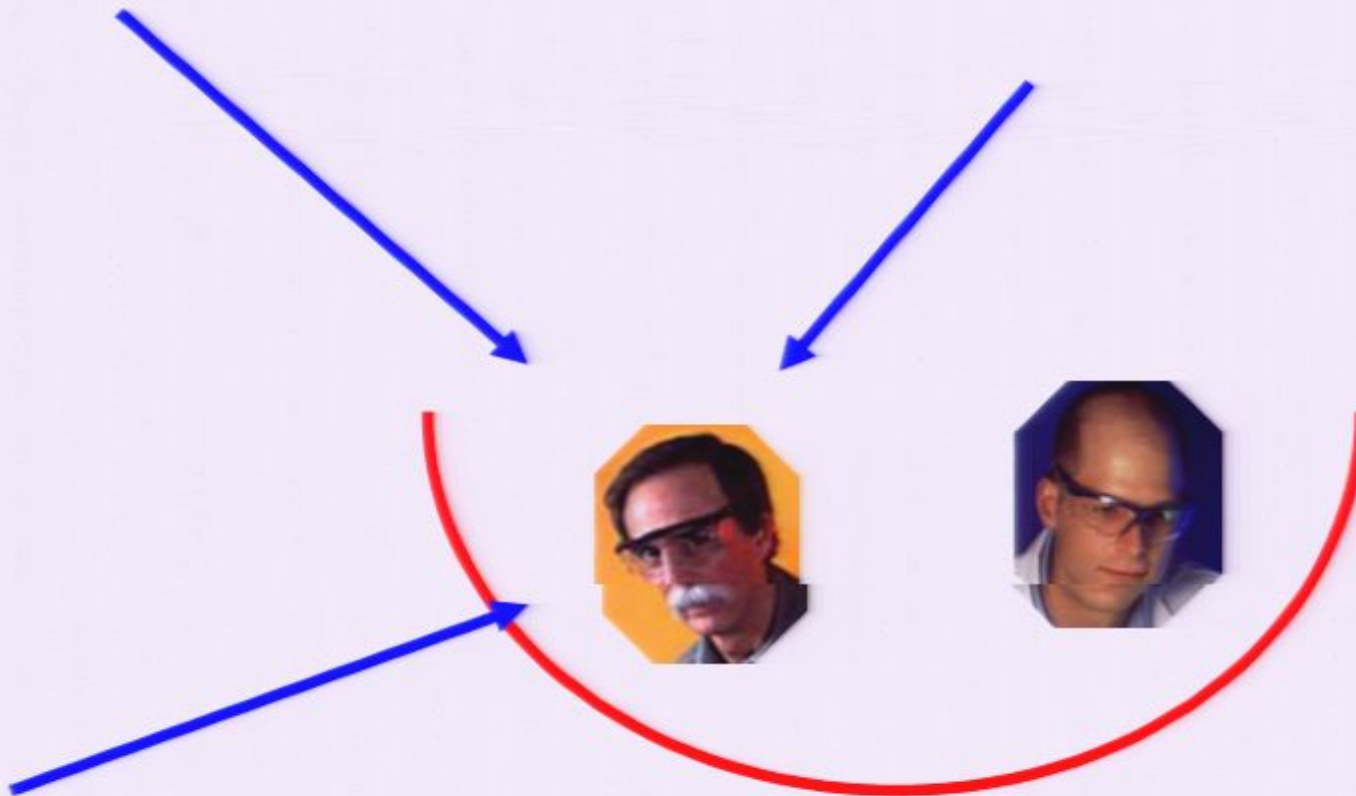
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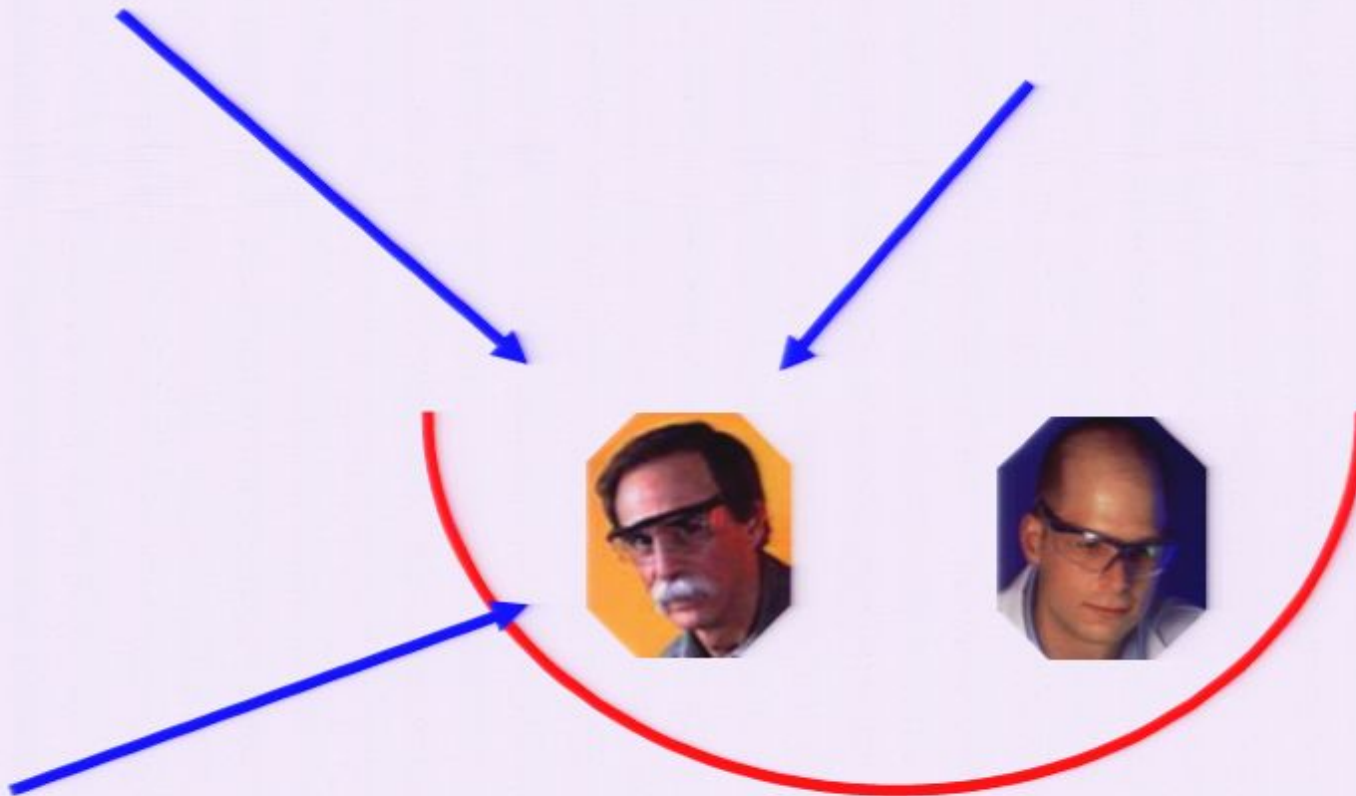
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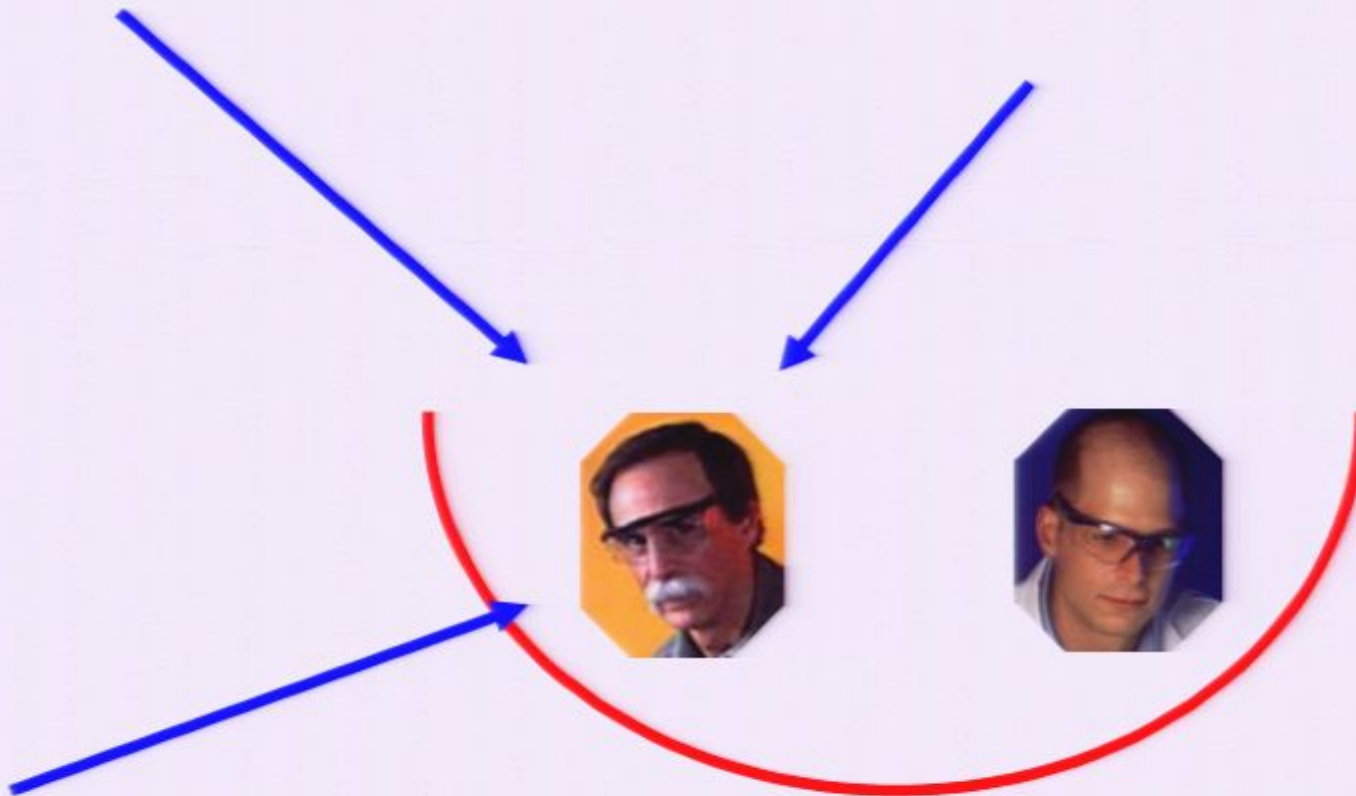
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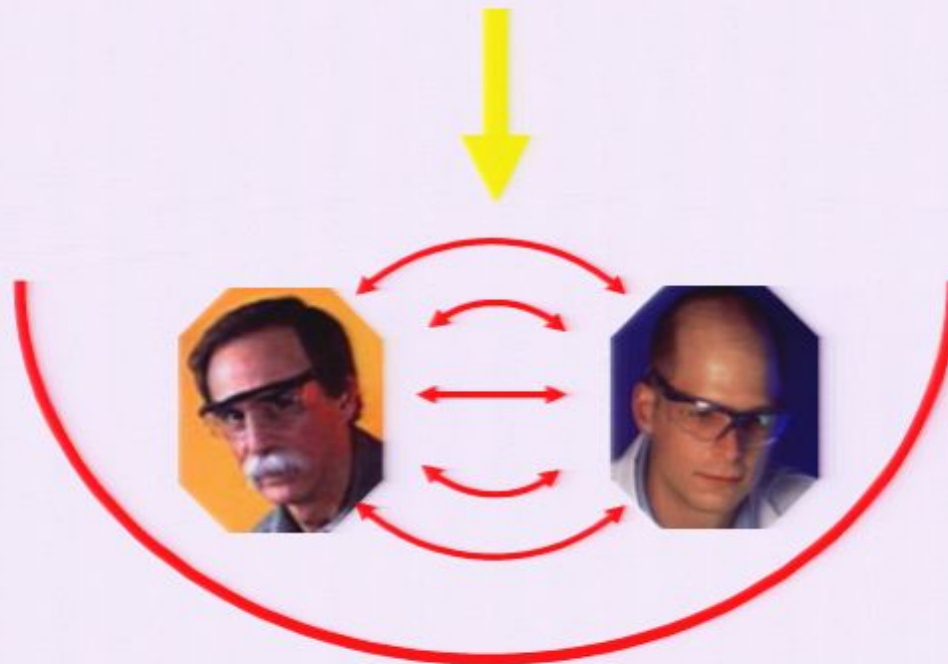
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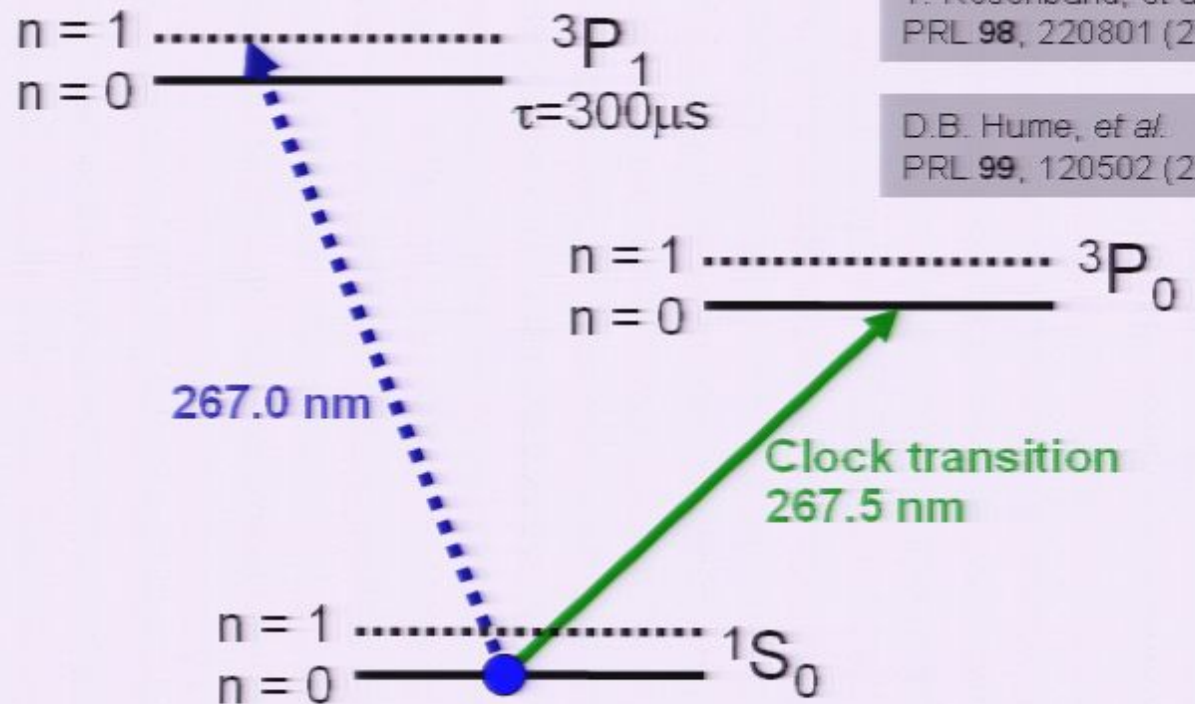
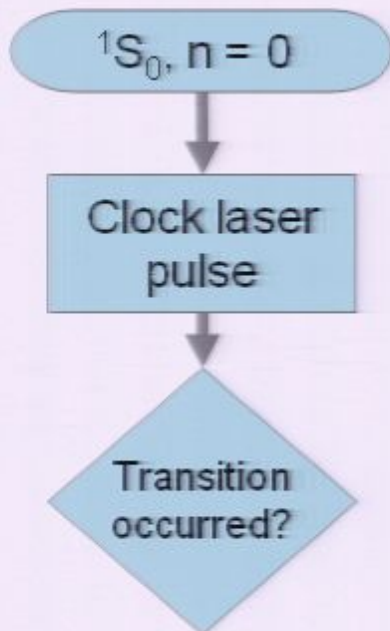
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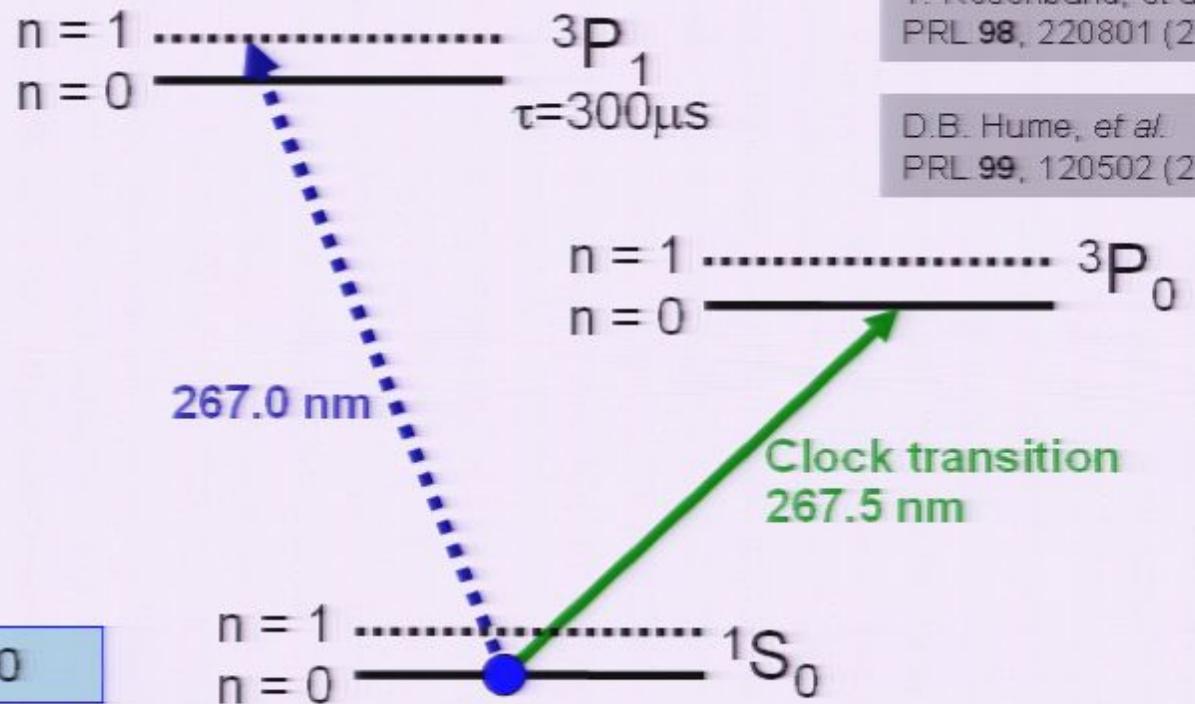
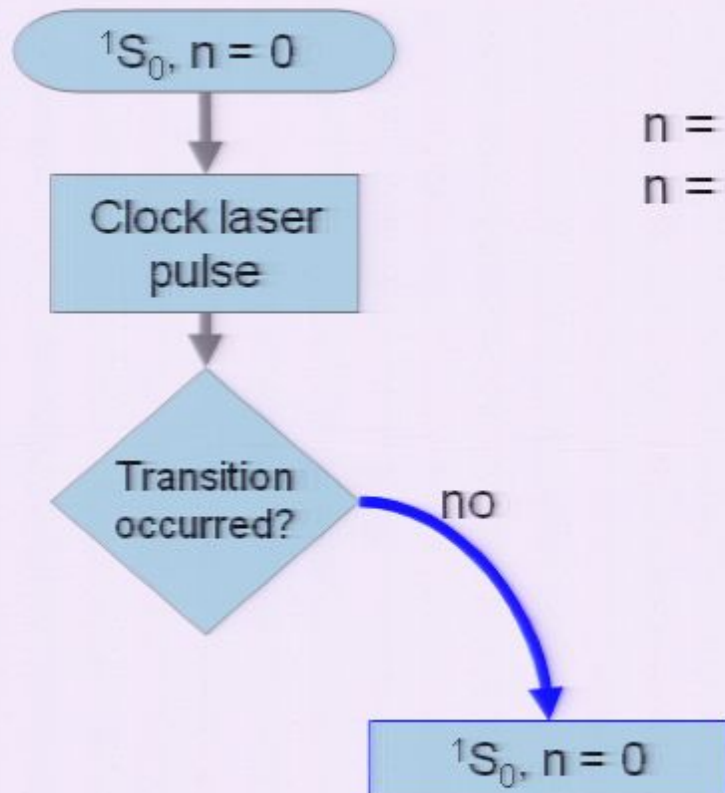
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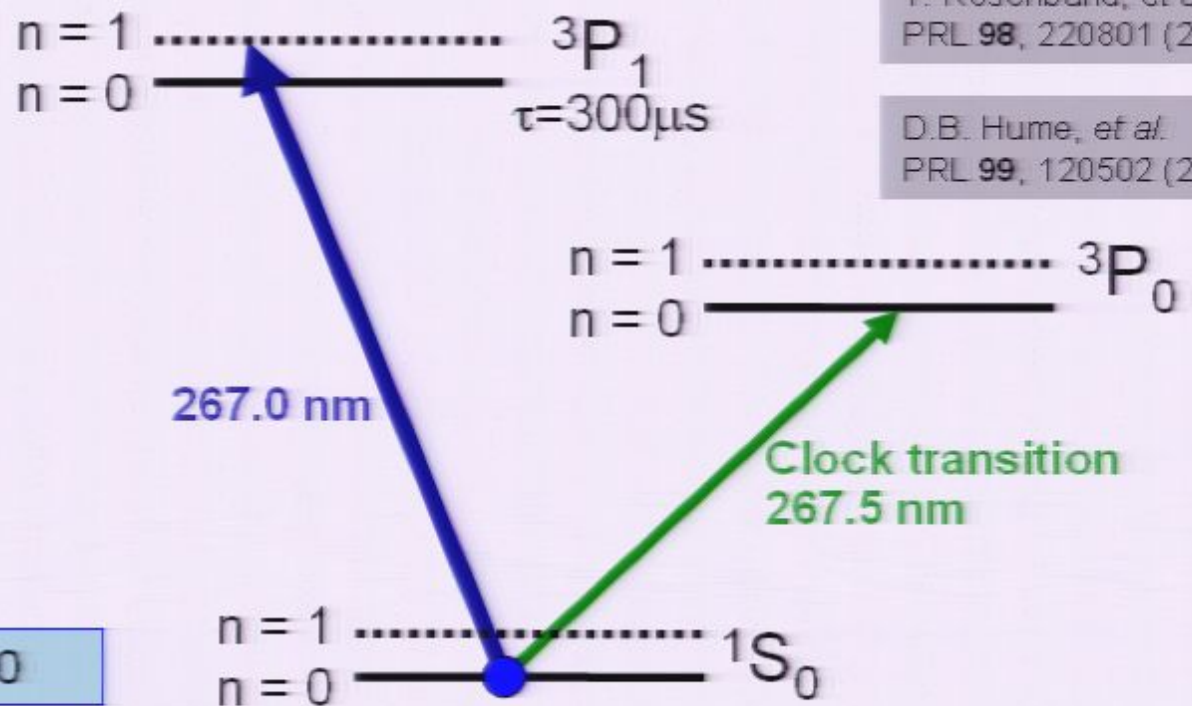
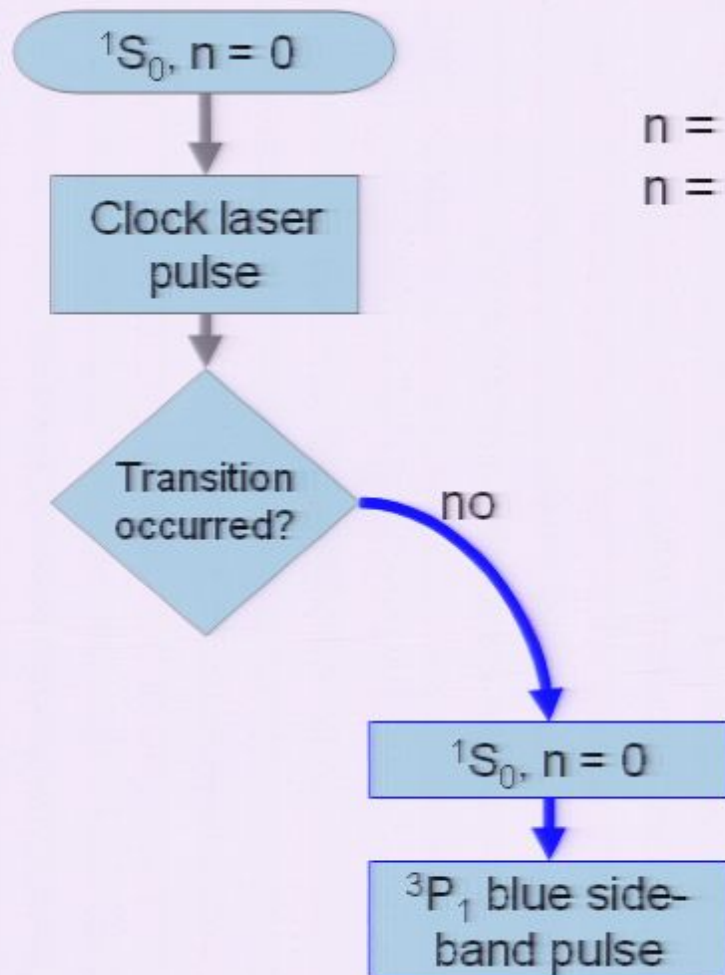
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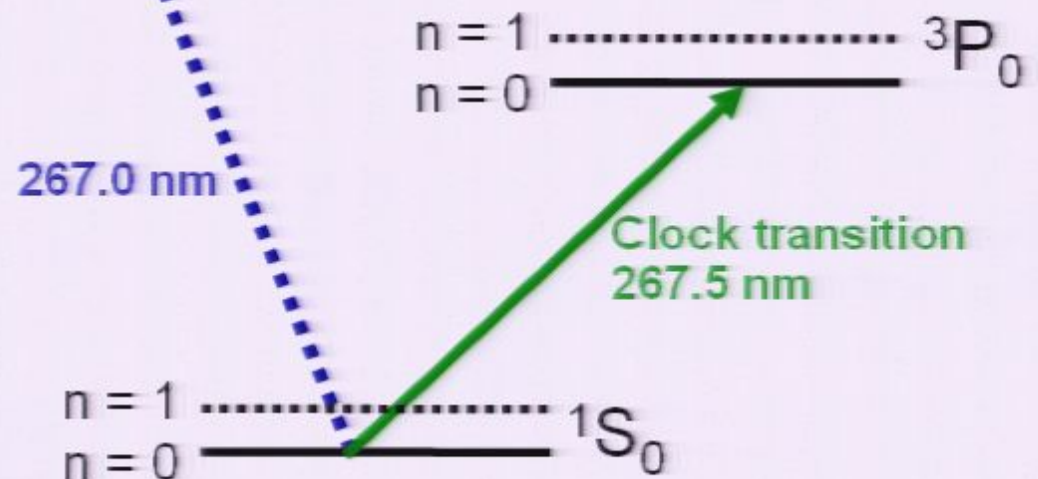
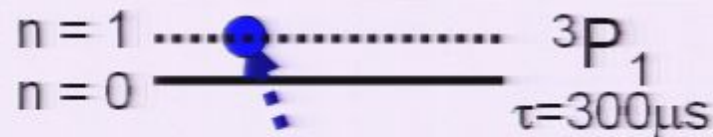
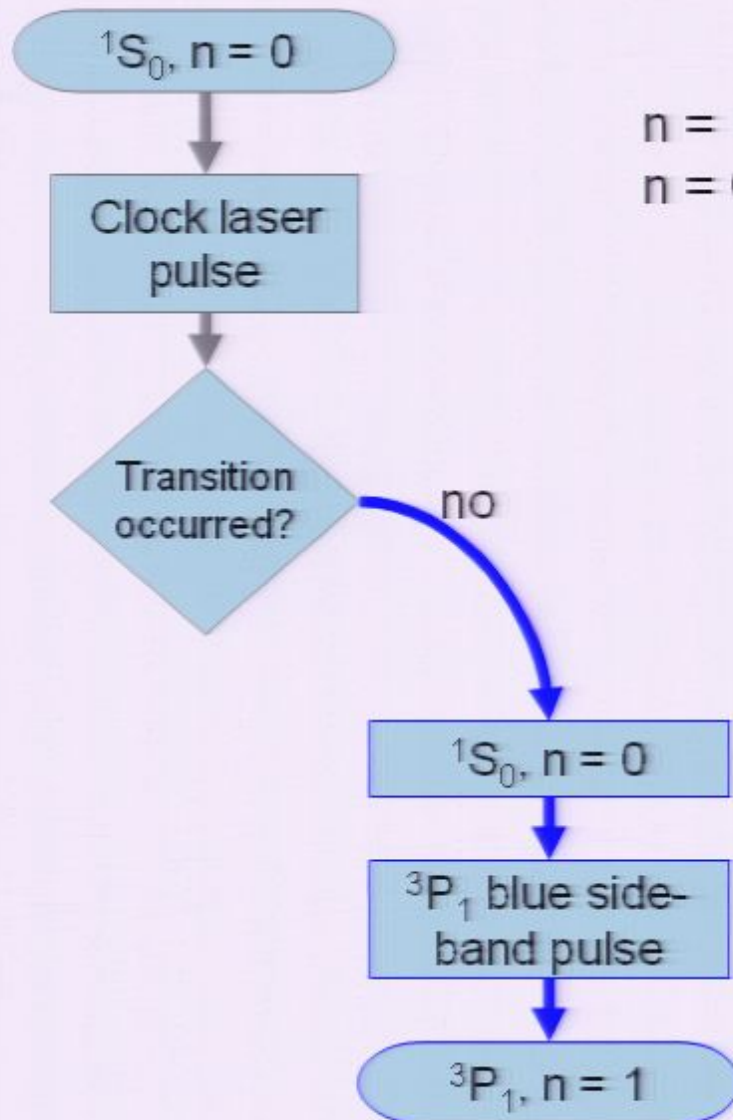
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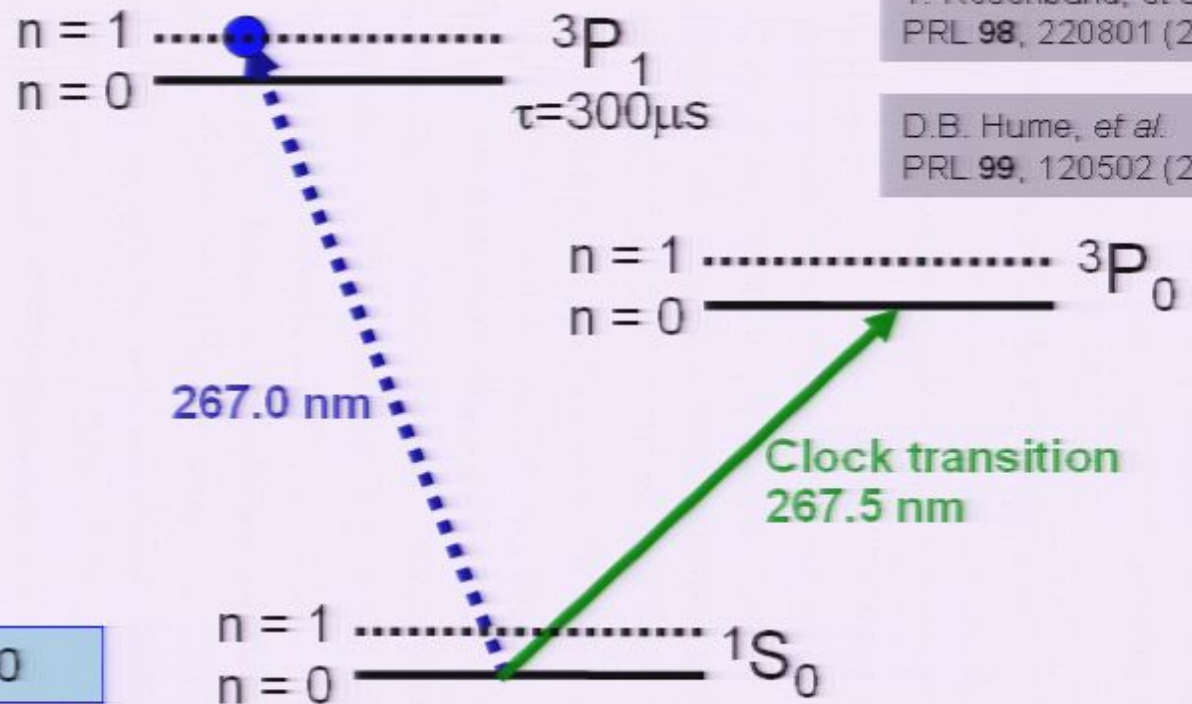
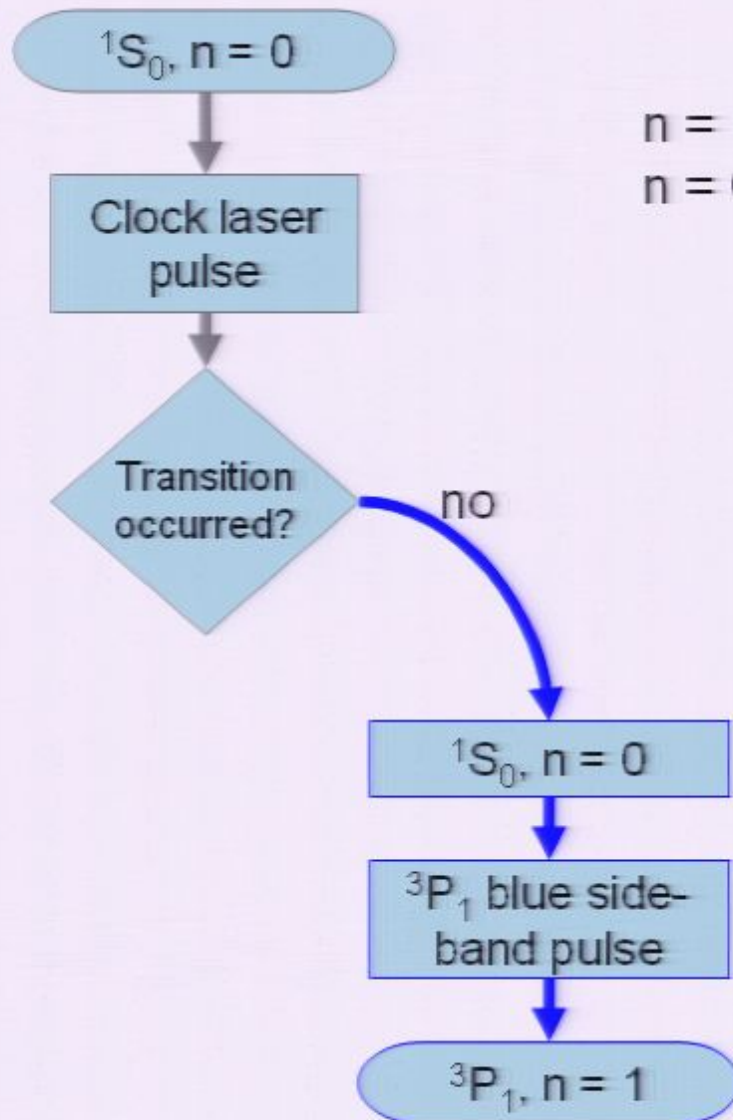
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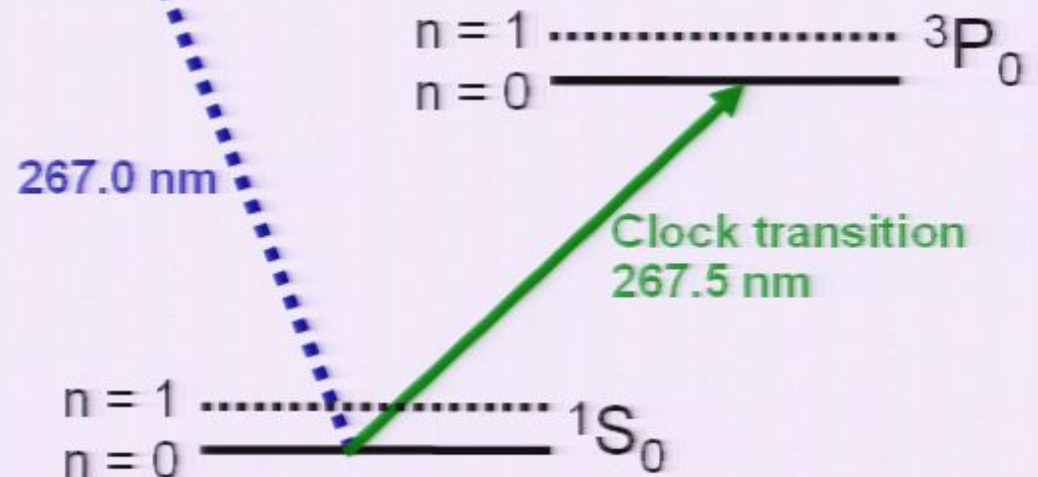
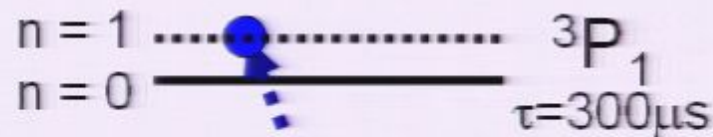
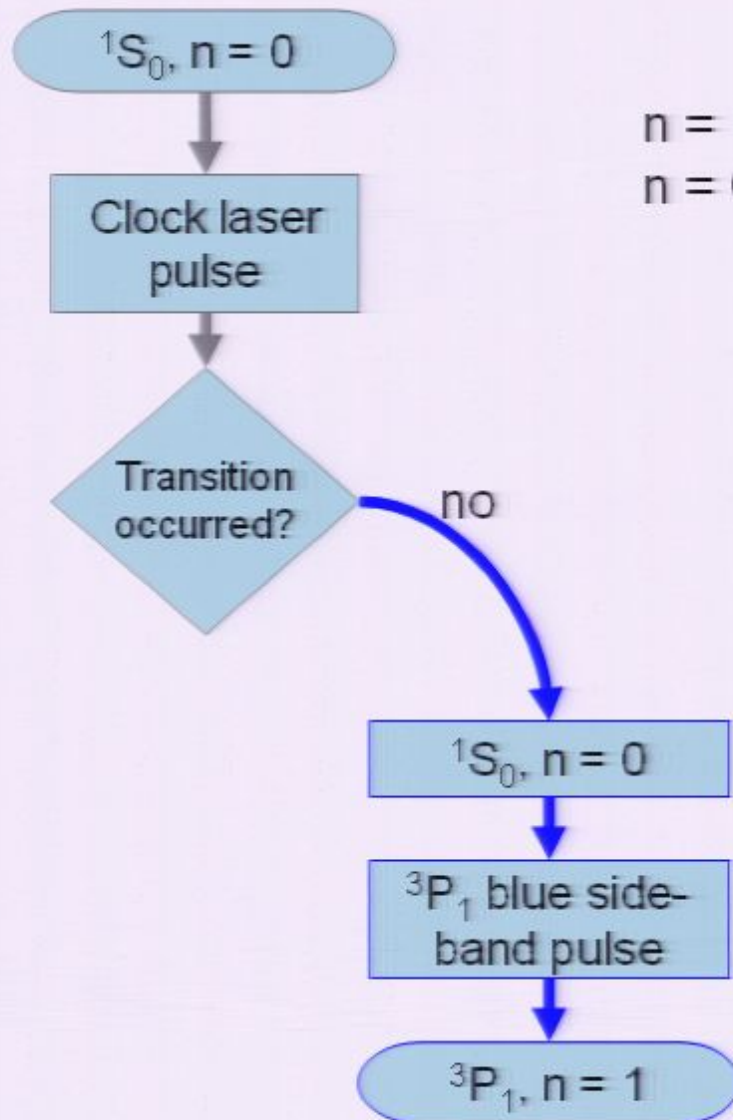
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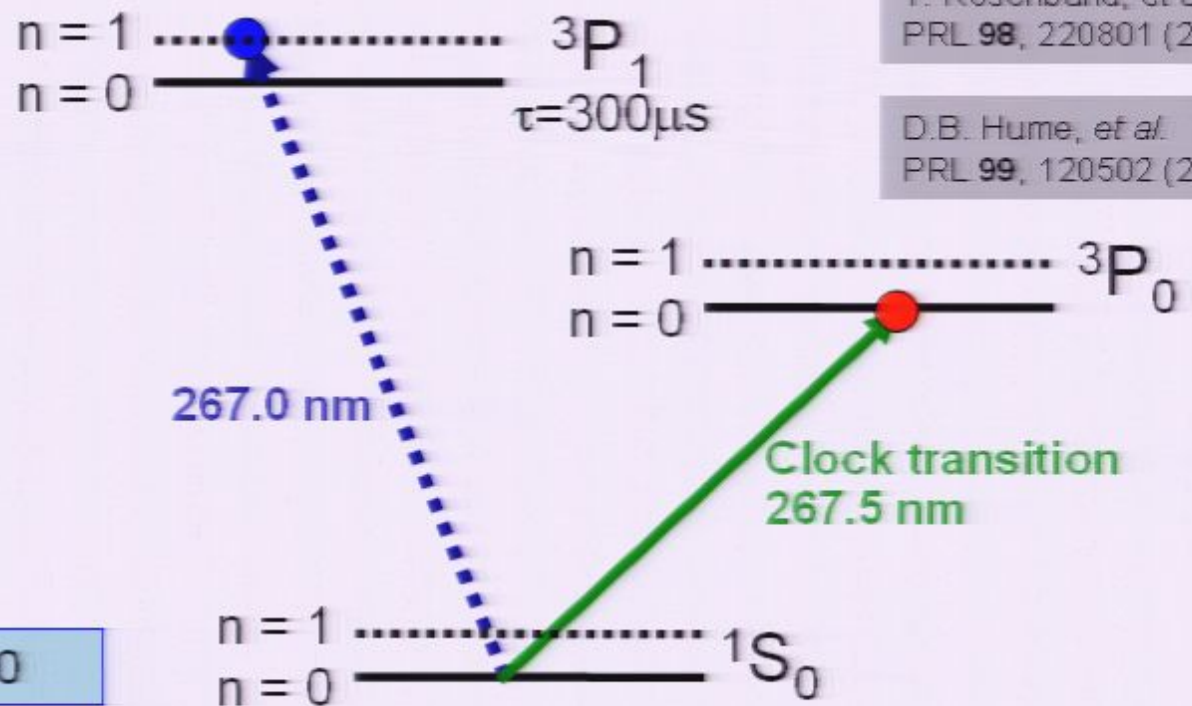
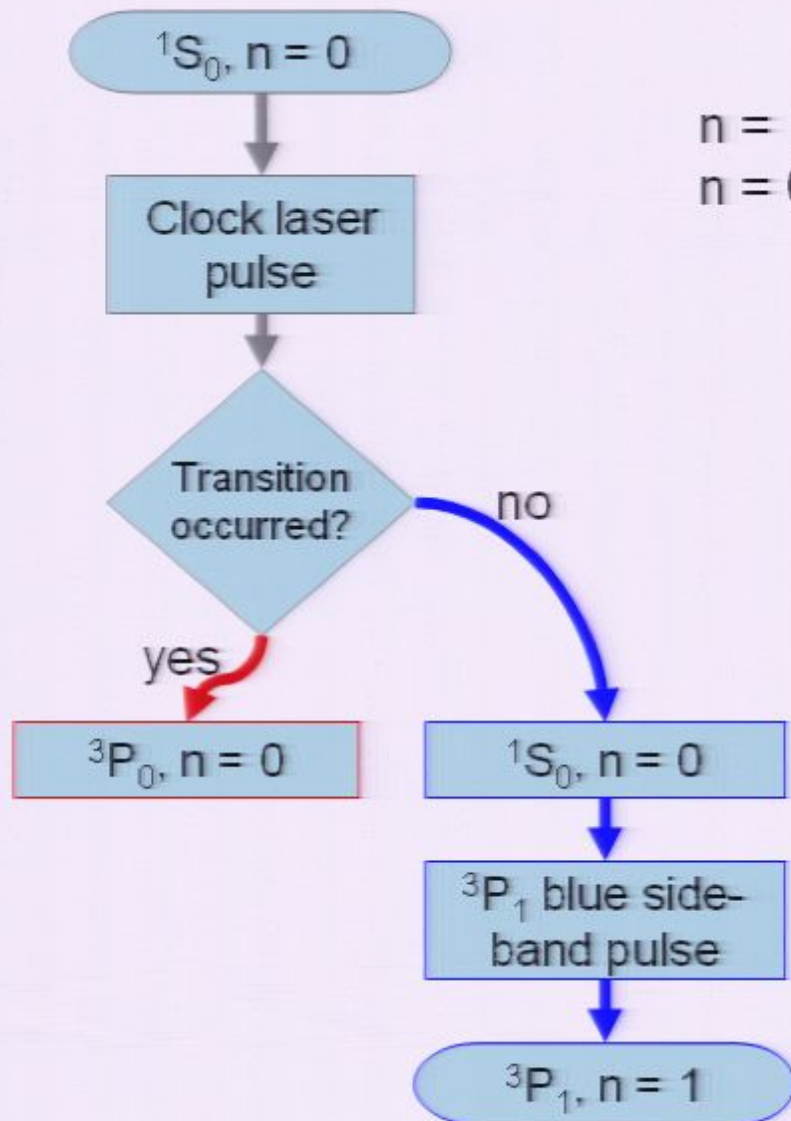
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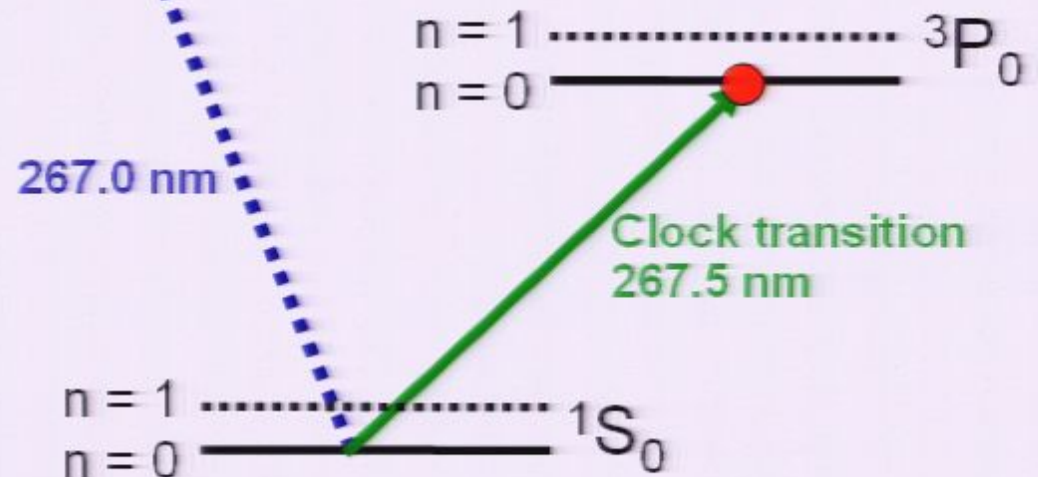
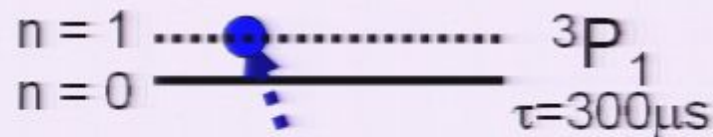
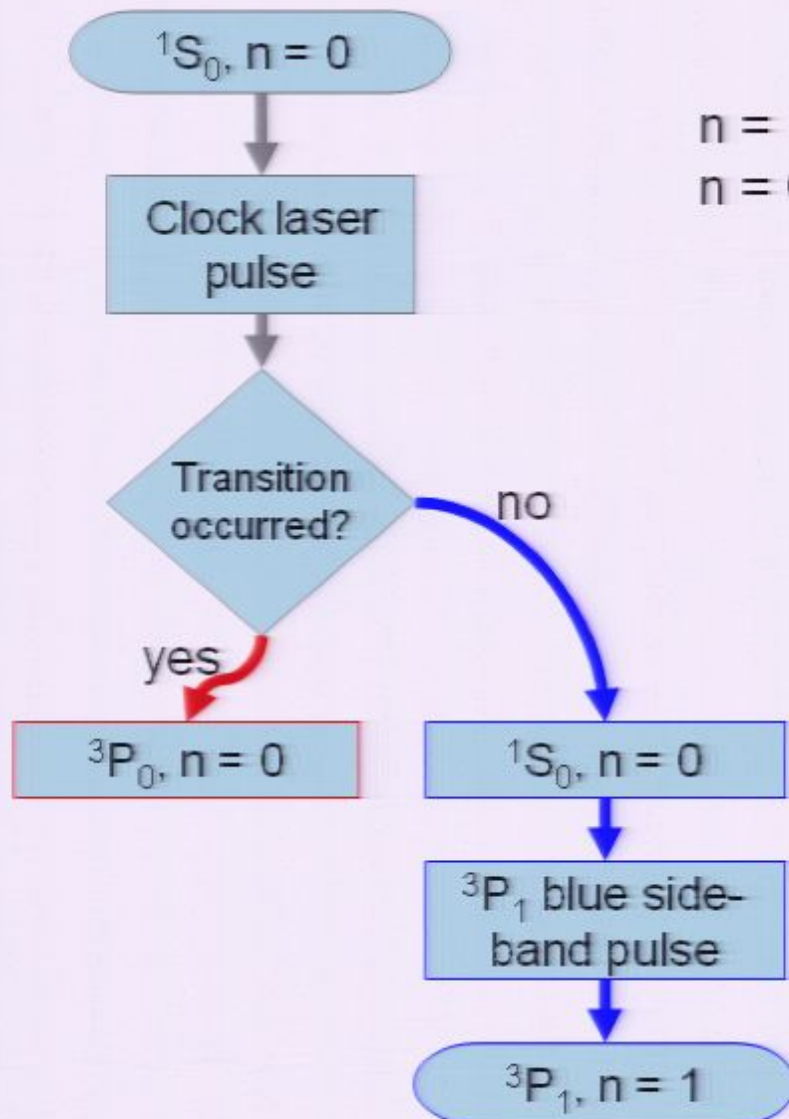
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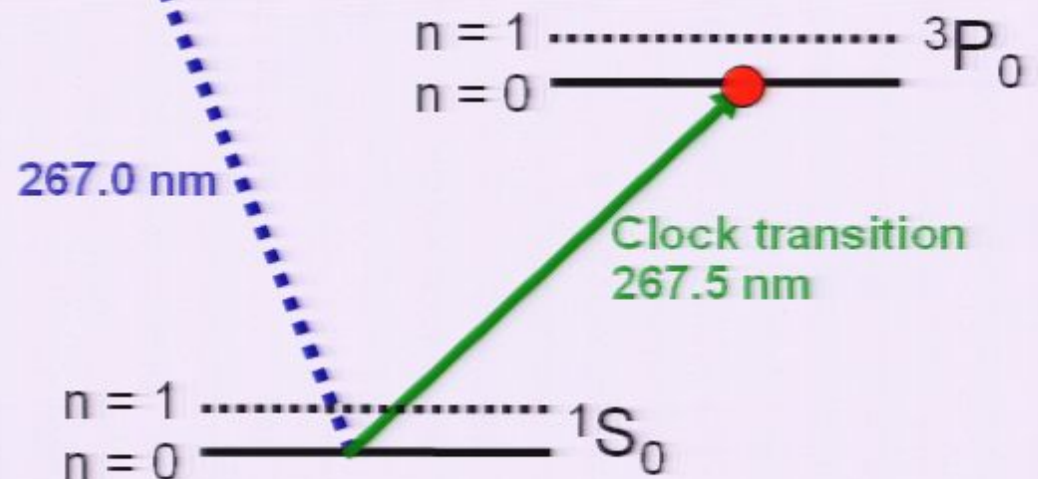
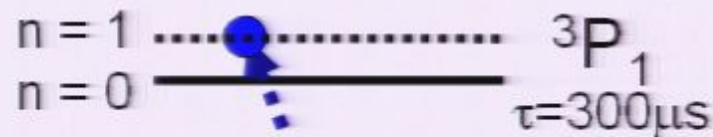
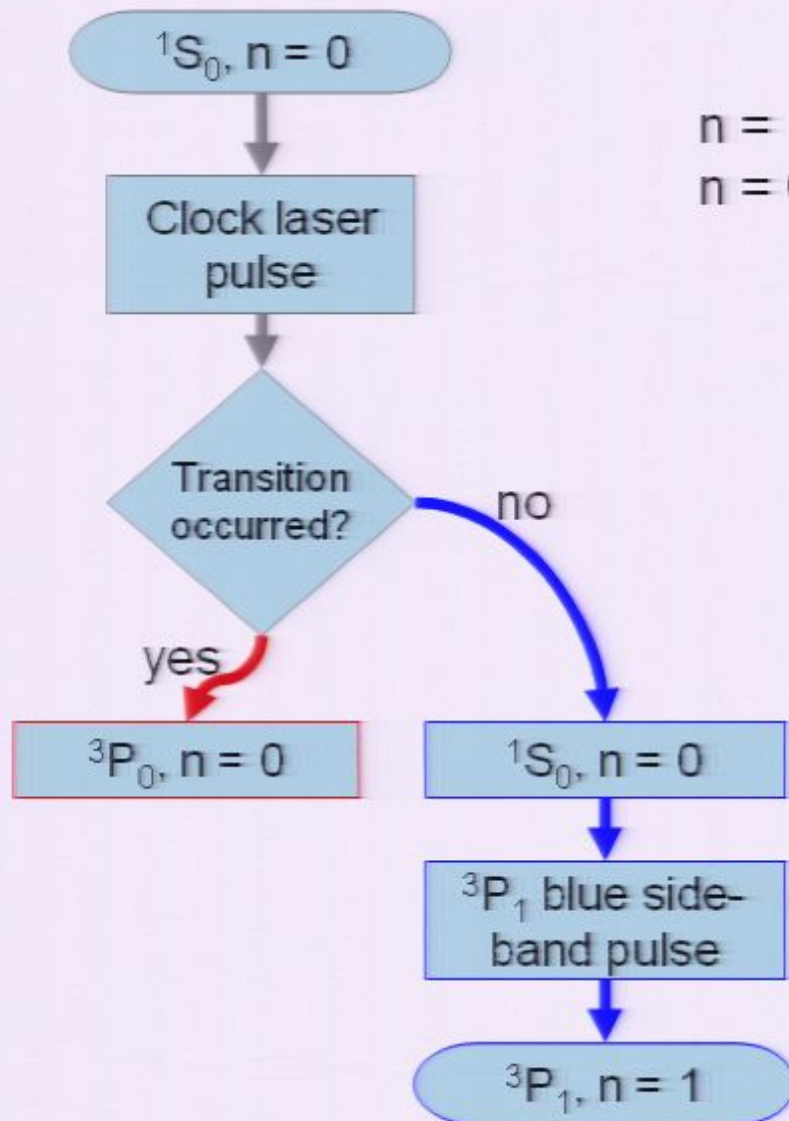
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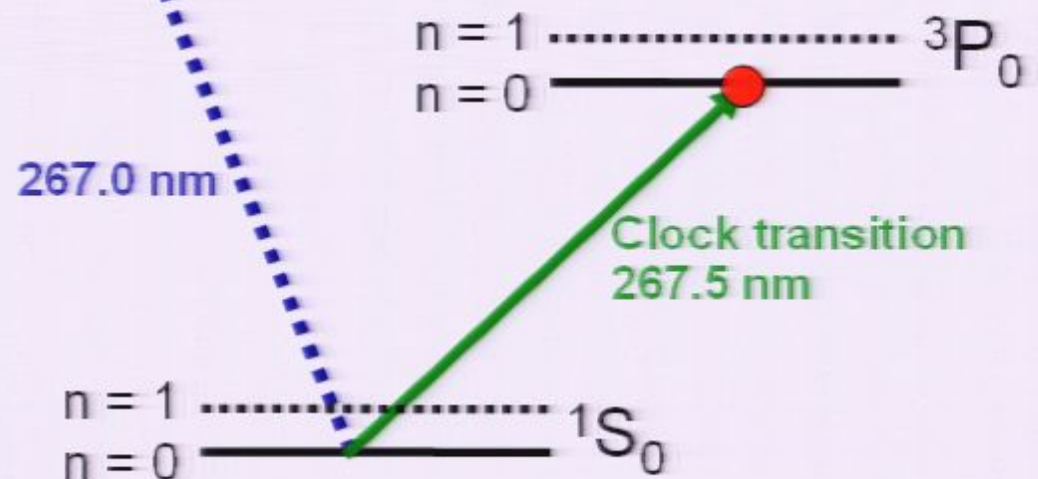
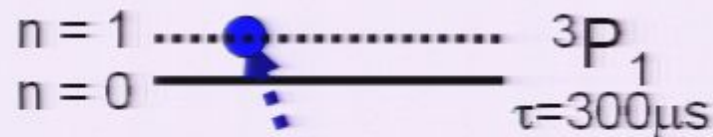
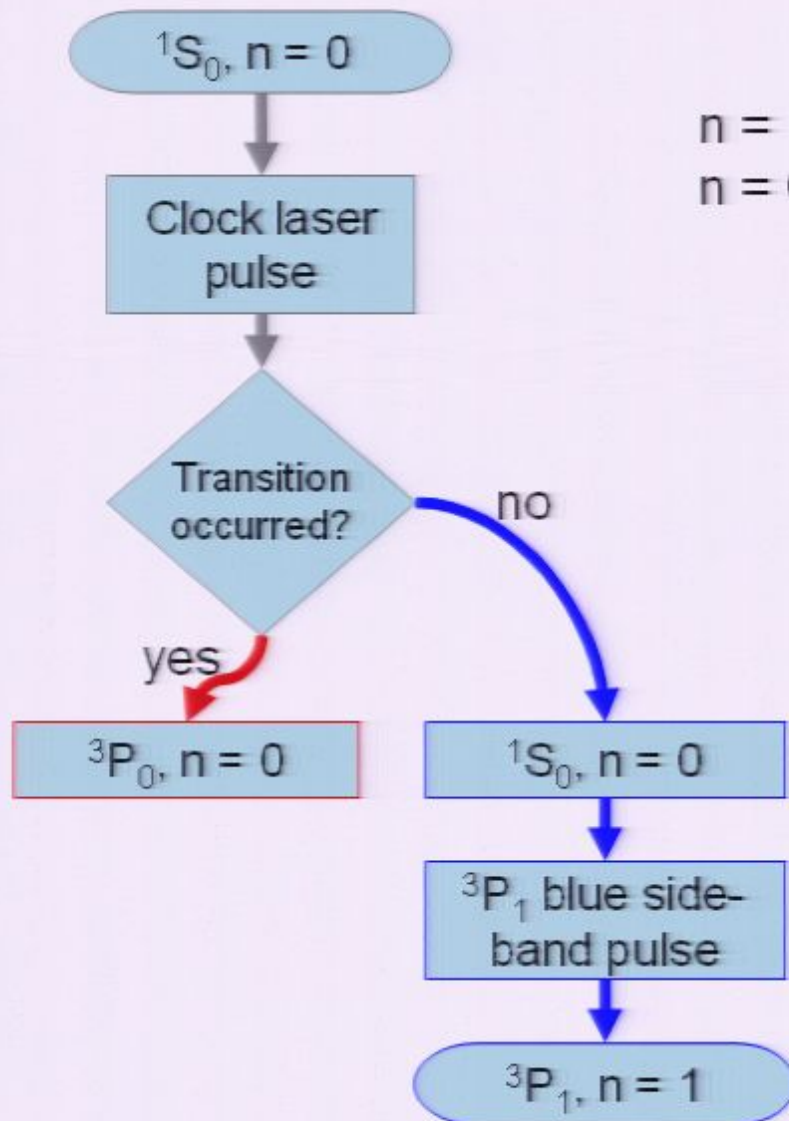
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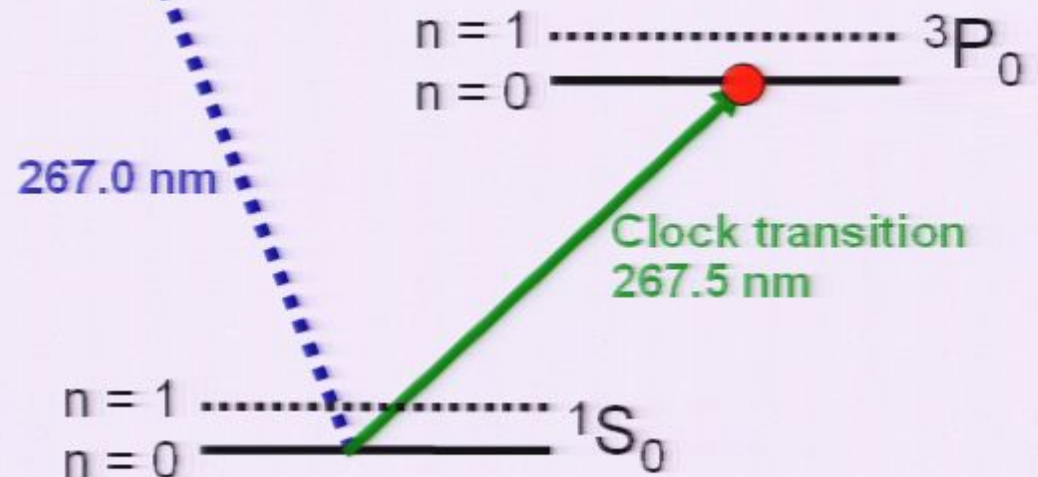
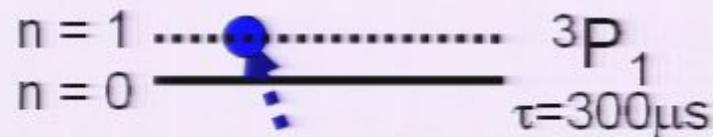
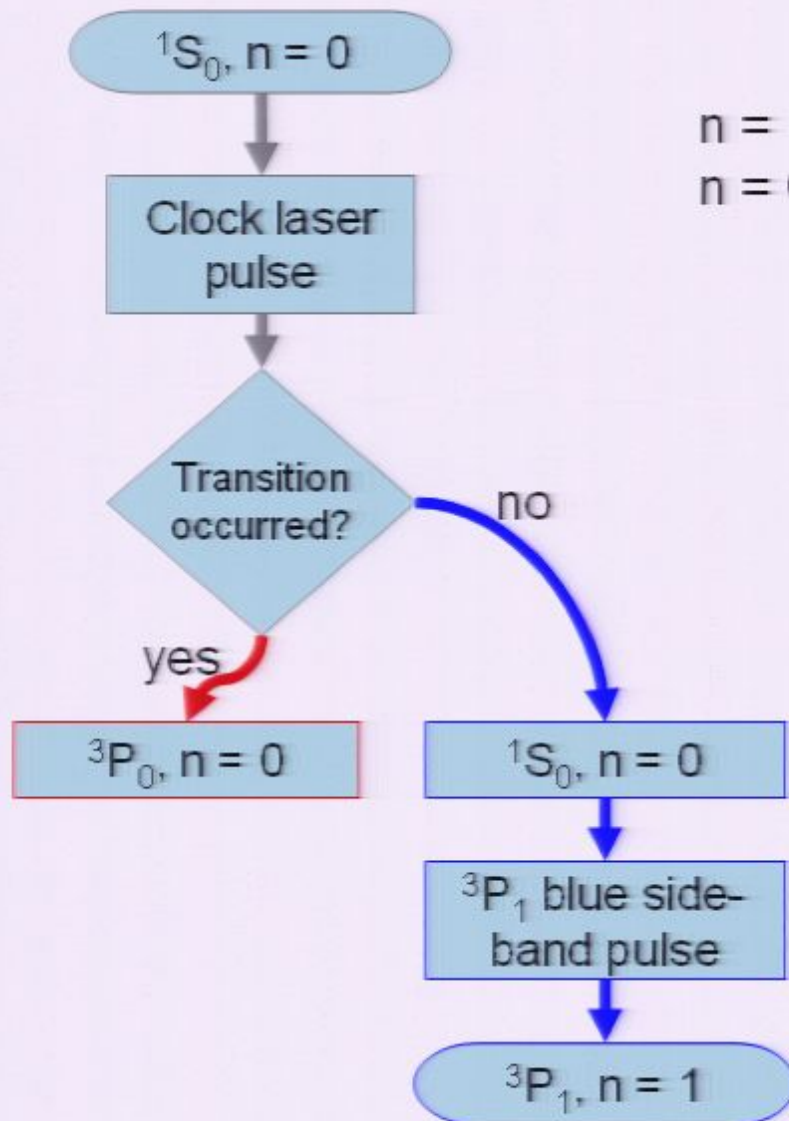
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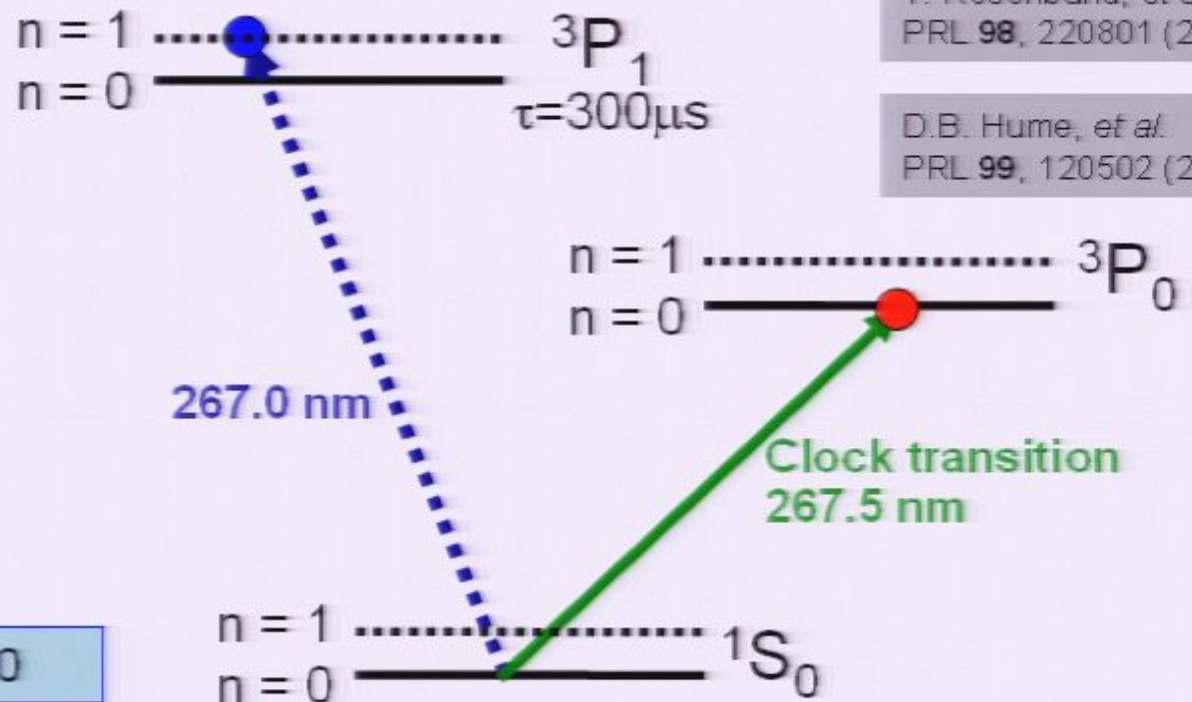
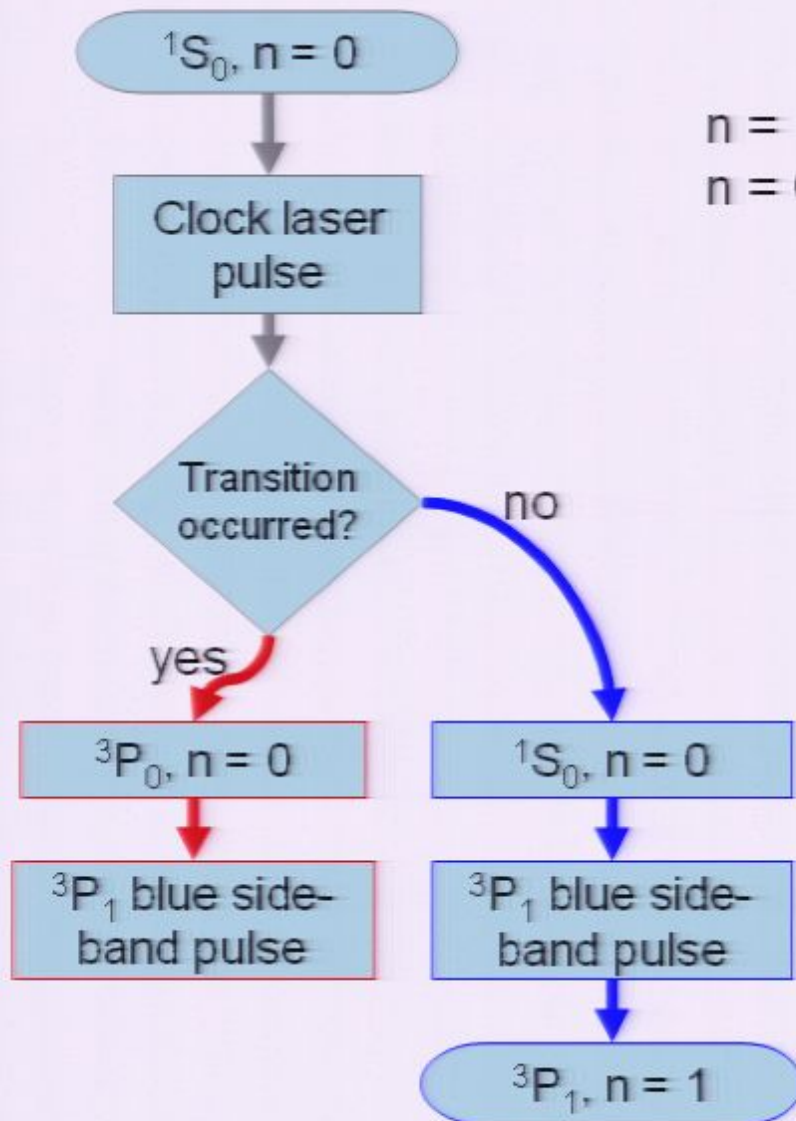
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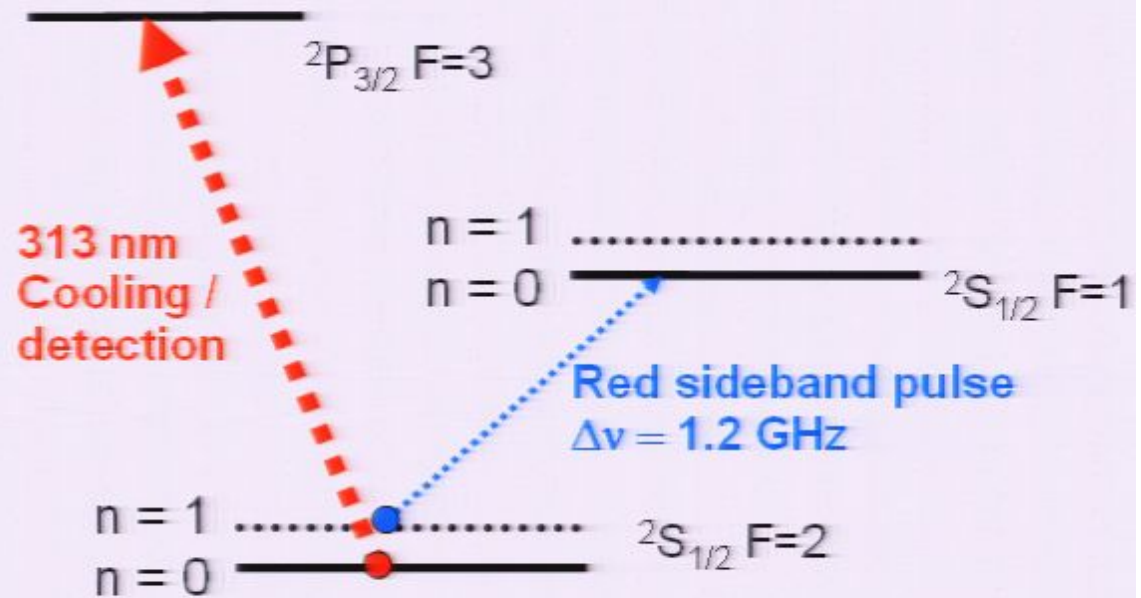


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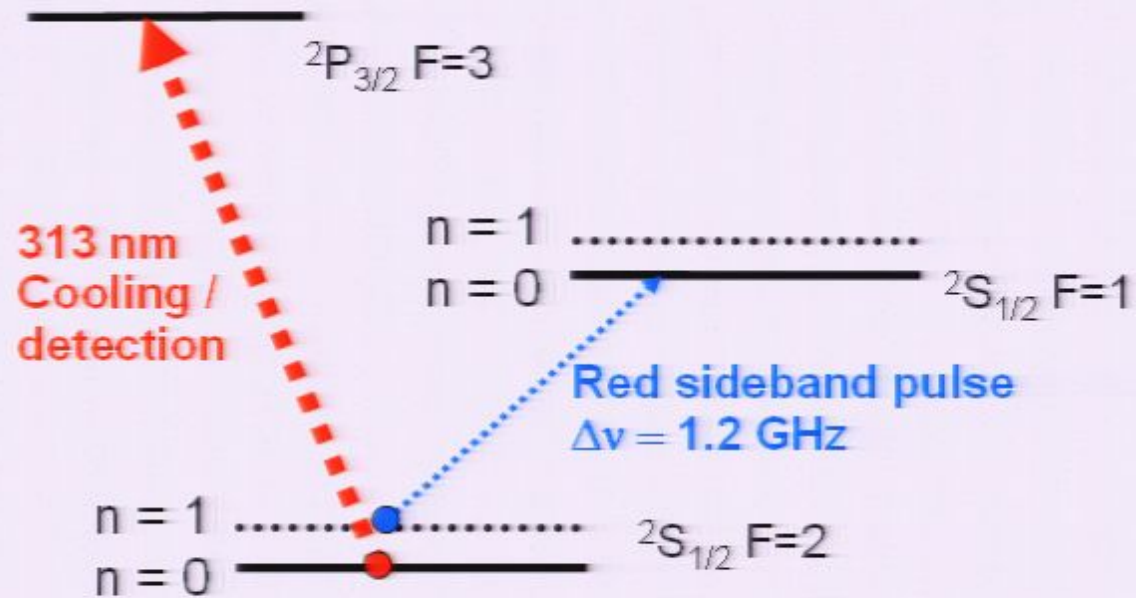
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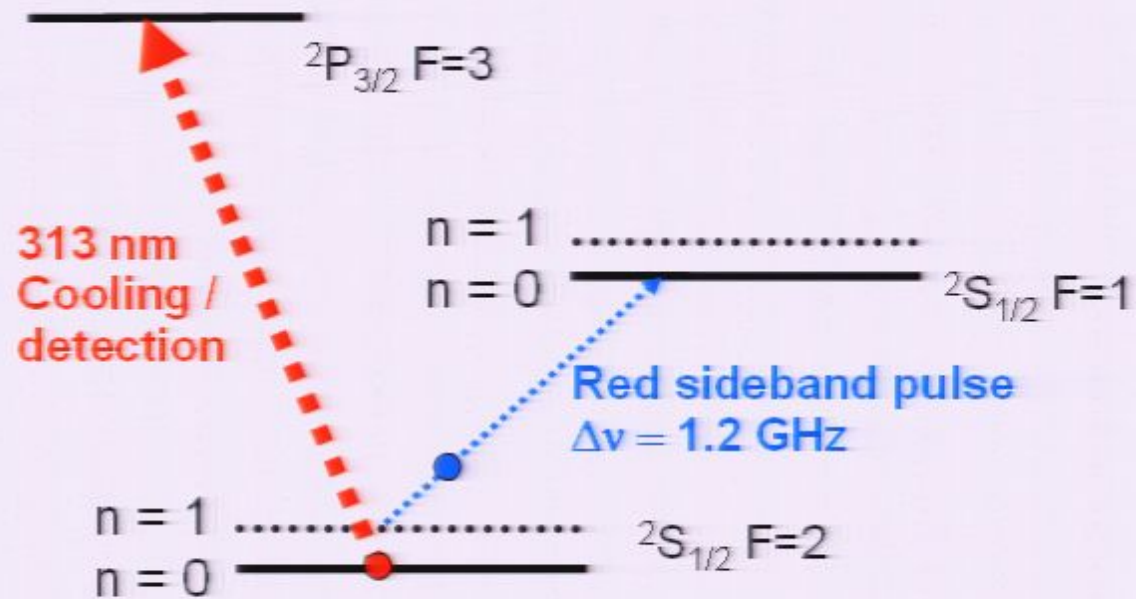
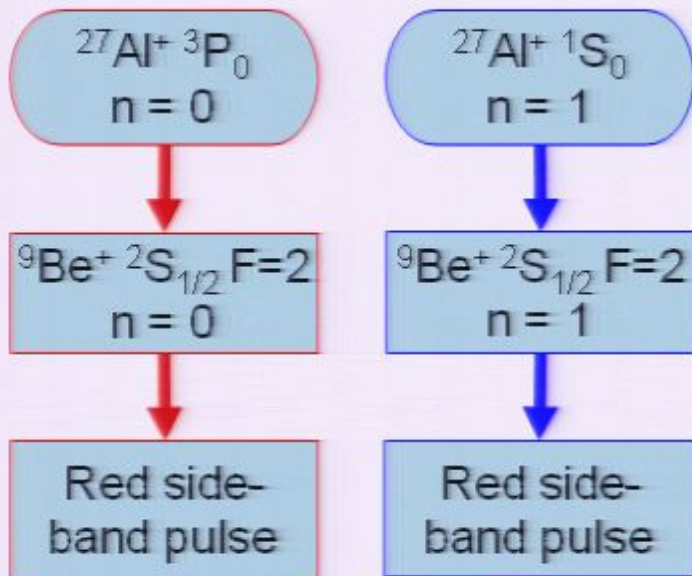
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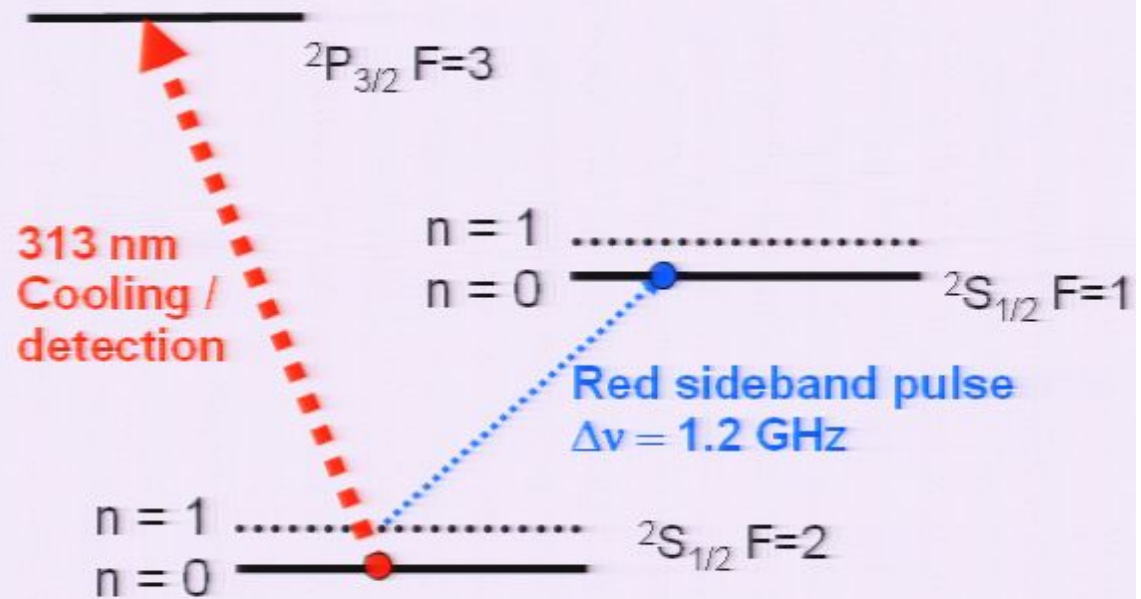
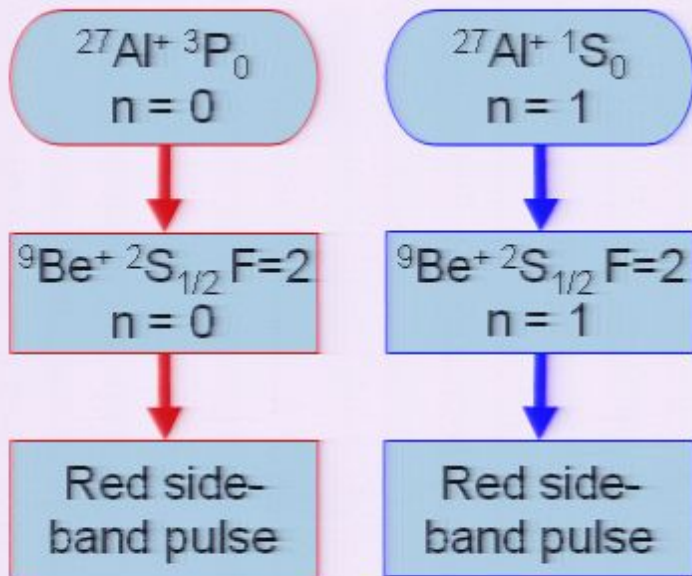
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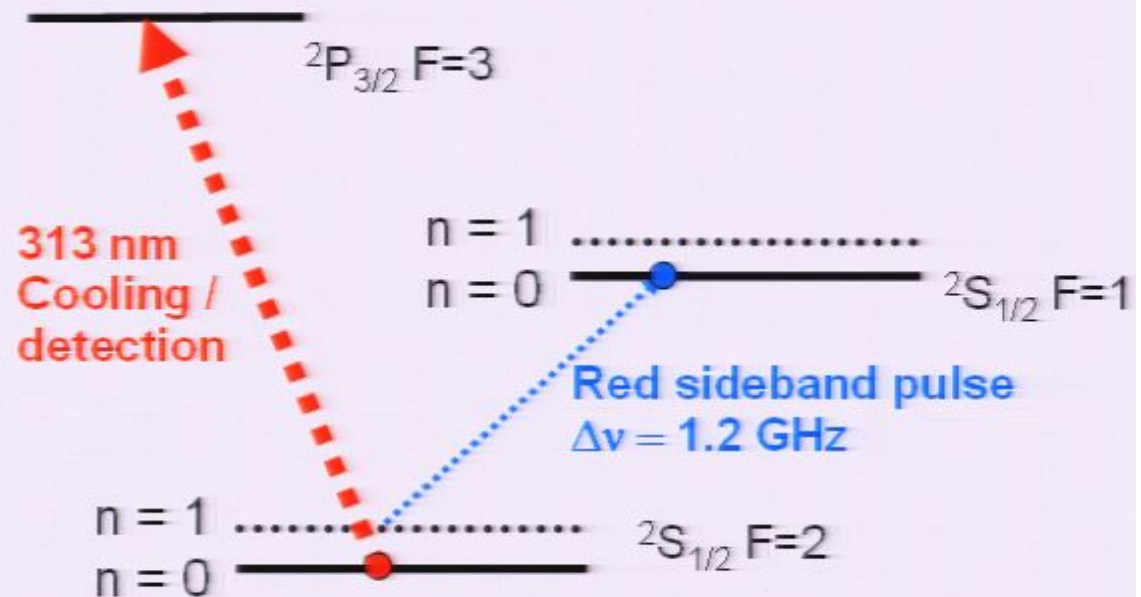
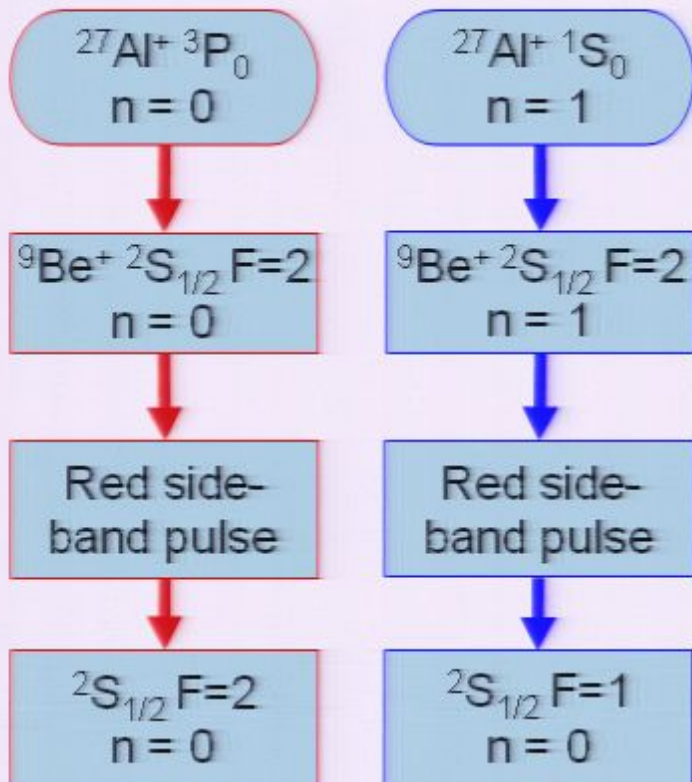
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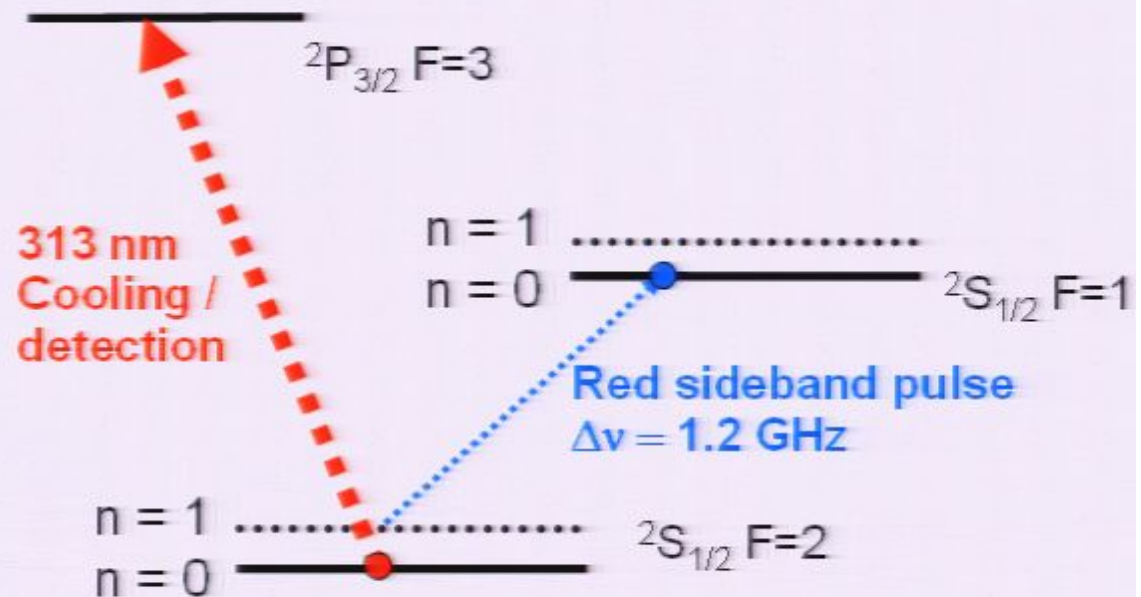
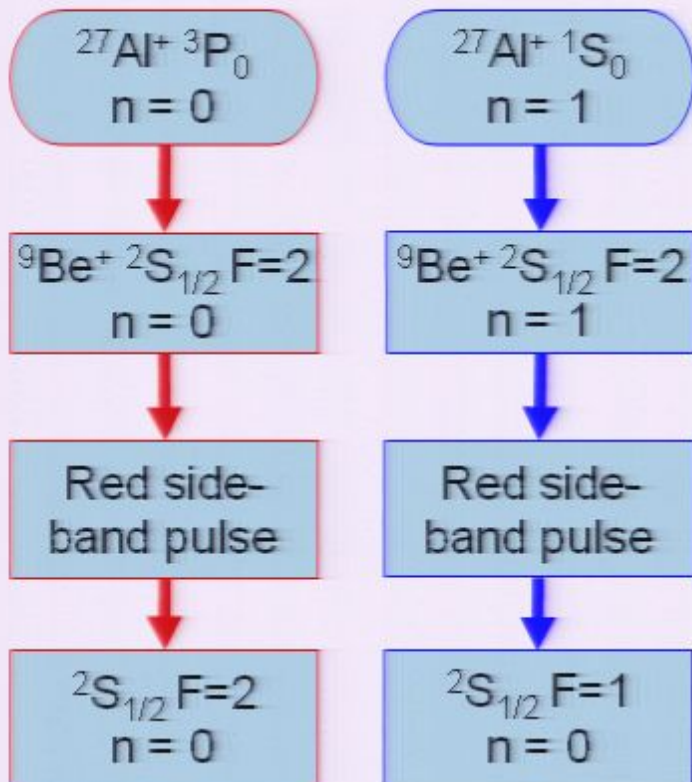
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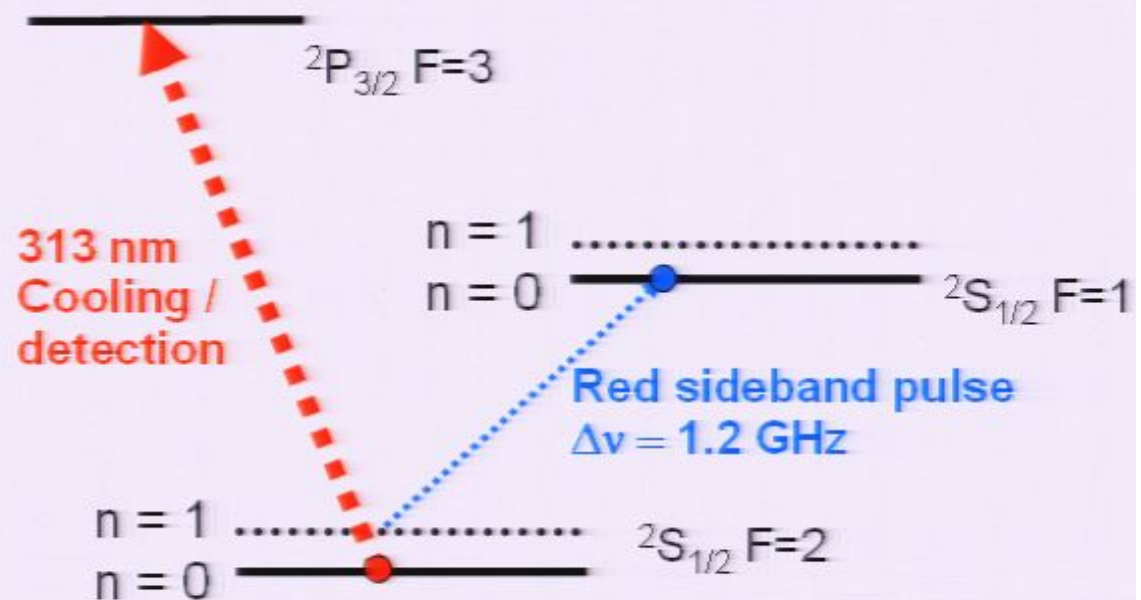
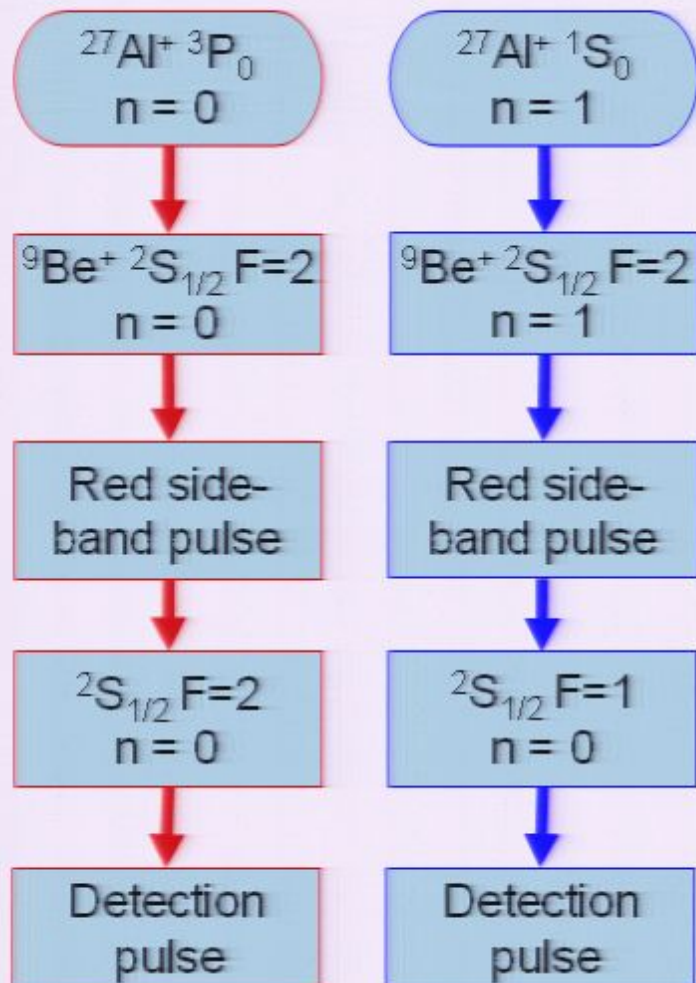
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313 nm
Cooling /
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 $n=0$ $2S_{1/2} F=1$

Red sideband pulse
 $\Delta\nu = 1.2 \text{ GHz}$

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Red side-
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Detection
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in $200 \mu\text{s}$

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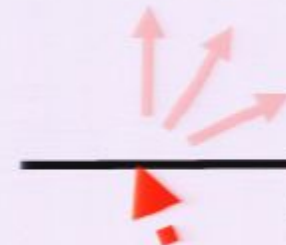
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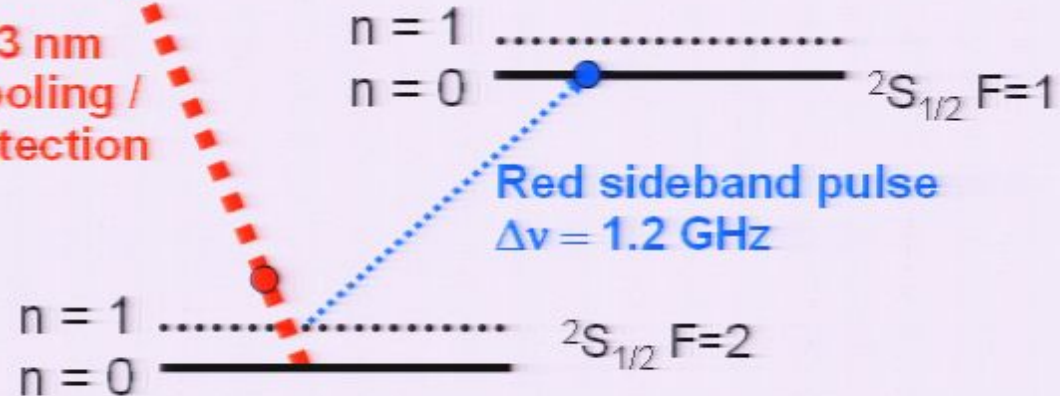


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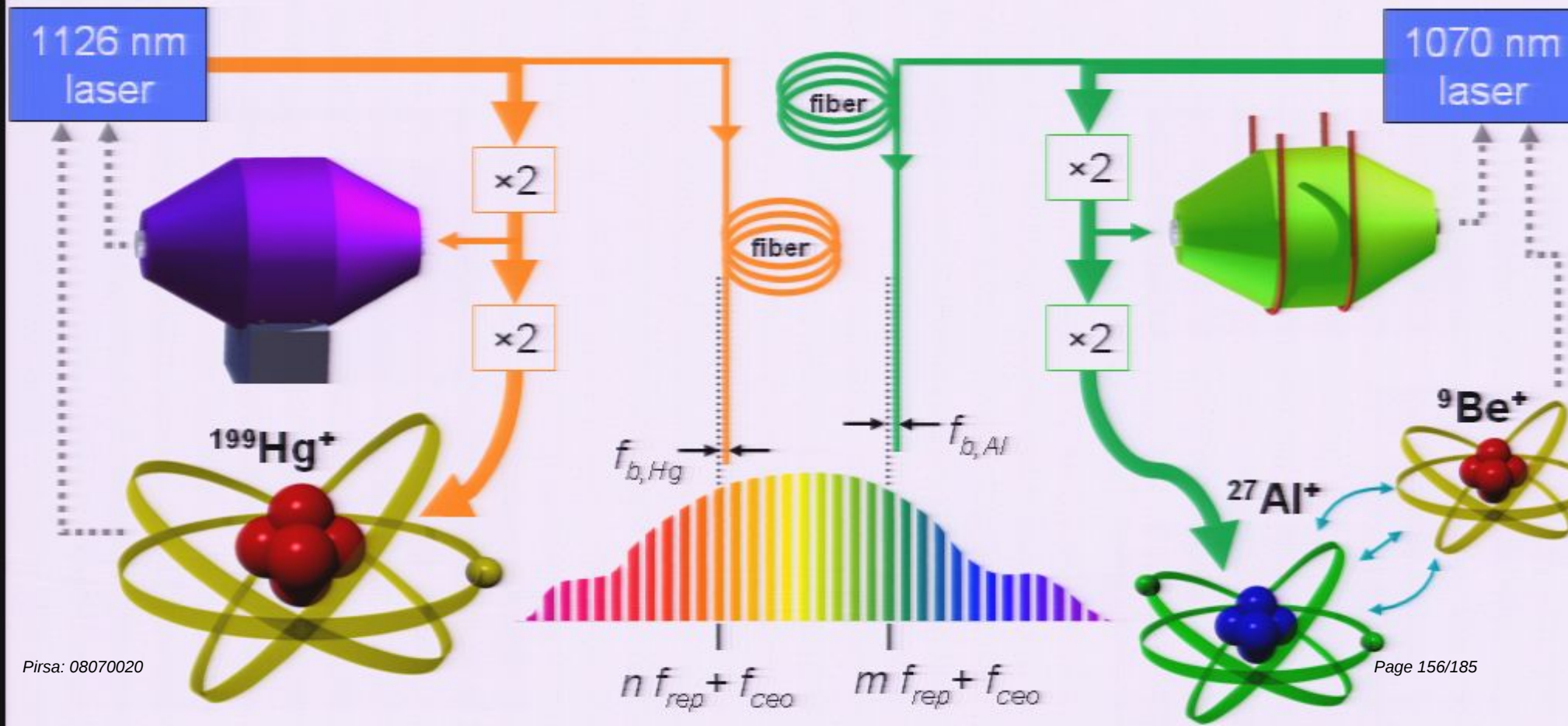
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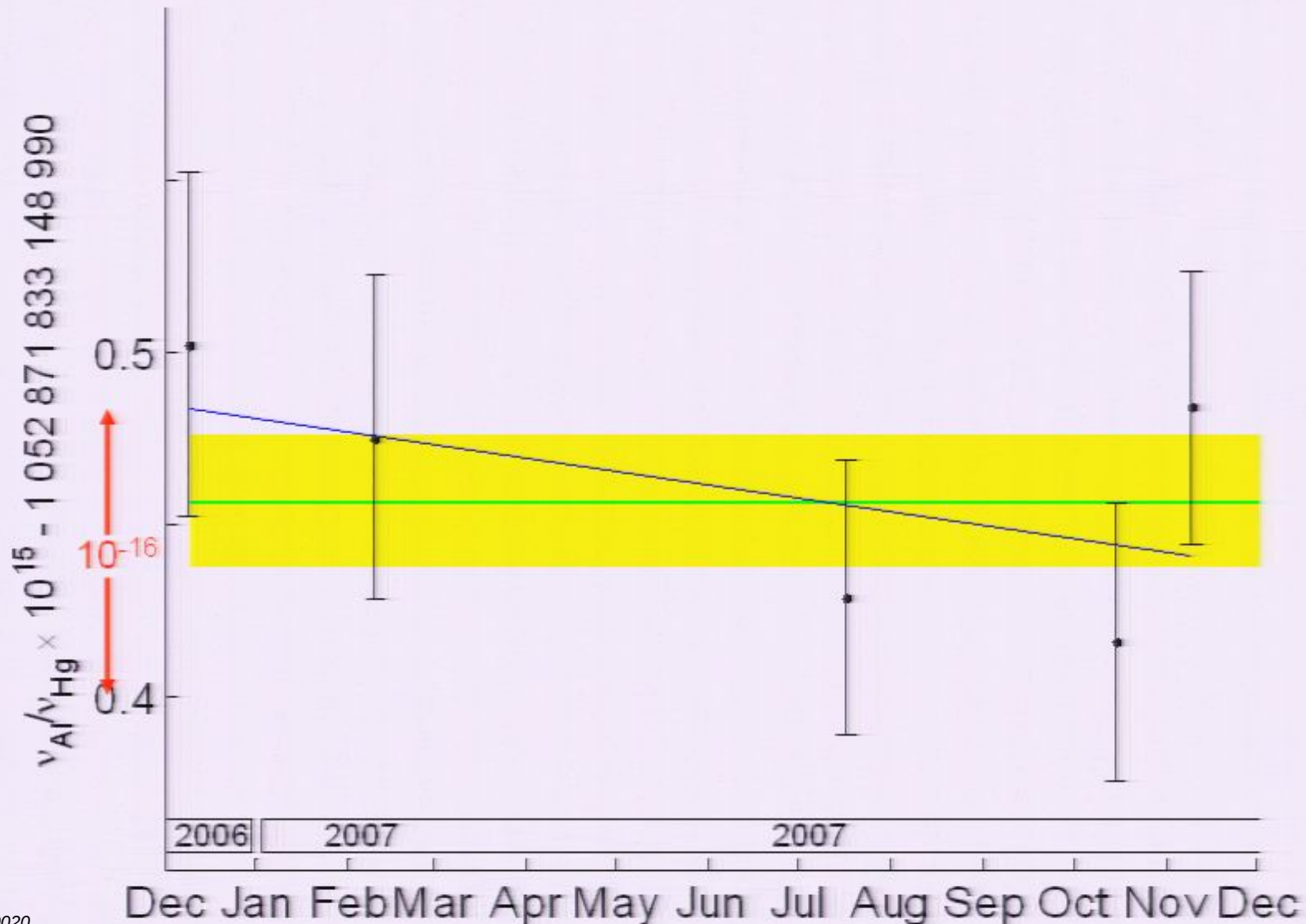
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fs-comb locked to Hg⁺
measure beat with Al⁺

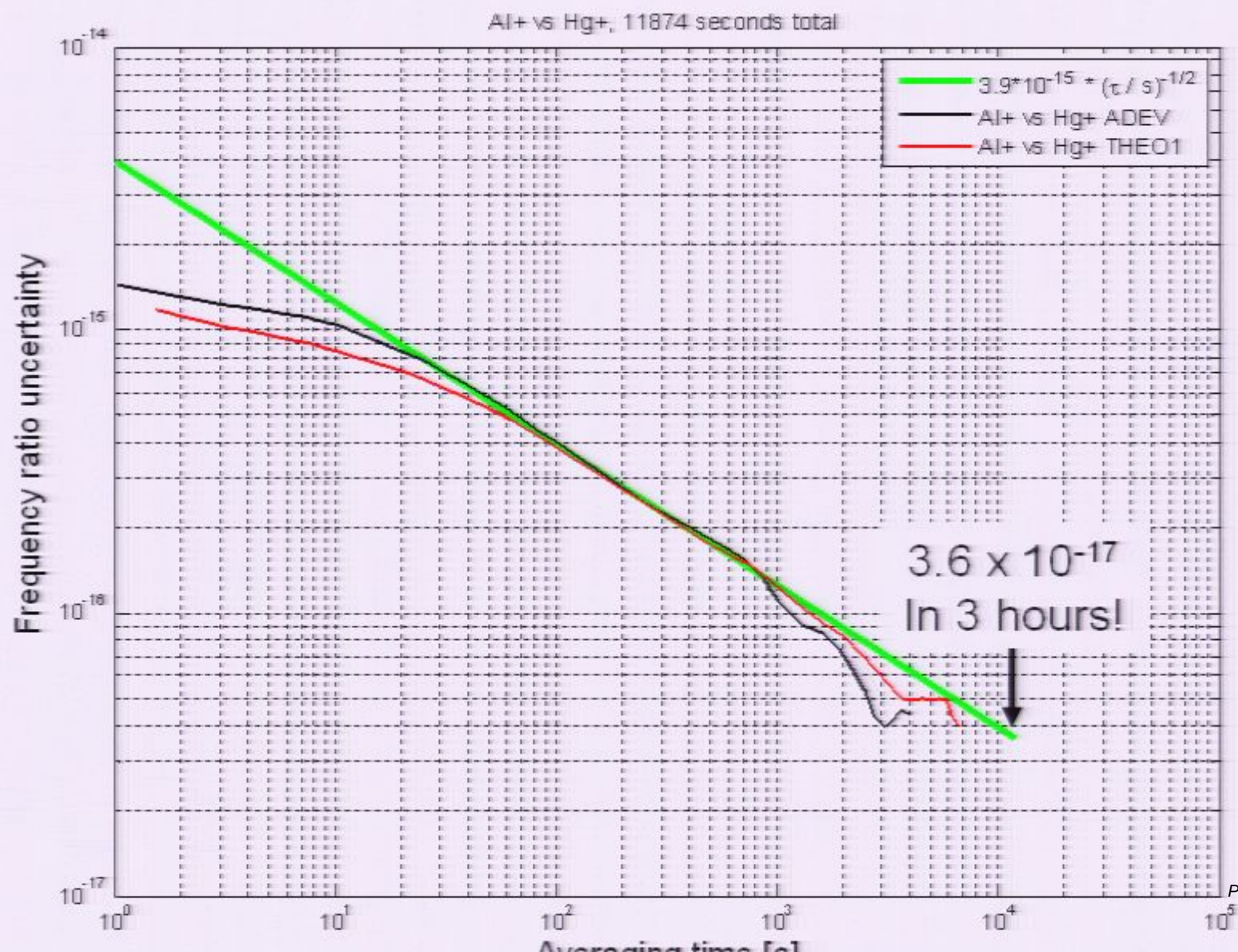


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$$v_{\text{Al}^+}/v_{\text{Hg}^+} = 1.052\,871\,833\,148\,990\,438 \pm 55 \times 10^{-17}$$



Al⁺/Hg⁺ Stability



$^{199}\text{Hg}^+$ error budget

Effect	Parameter	Shift [$\times 10^{-17}$]	Uncertainty [$\times 10^{-17}$]
Blackbody shift	Operating temperature	negligible	Negligible
Micromotion 2 nd order Doppler	RF field	-0.3	0.3
Micromotion AC Stark	RF field	0.3	0.3
Secular 2 nd order Doppler	Secular temperature	-0.3	0.3
2 nd order Zeeman	magnetic field	-120.3	0.5
Servo Error	Loop gain	0	0.2
AC Zeeman	trap RMS field	0	1.0
Quadrupole Shift	Average on B field orientation	0	1.0
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Total		-120.6	1.6

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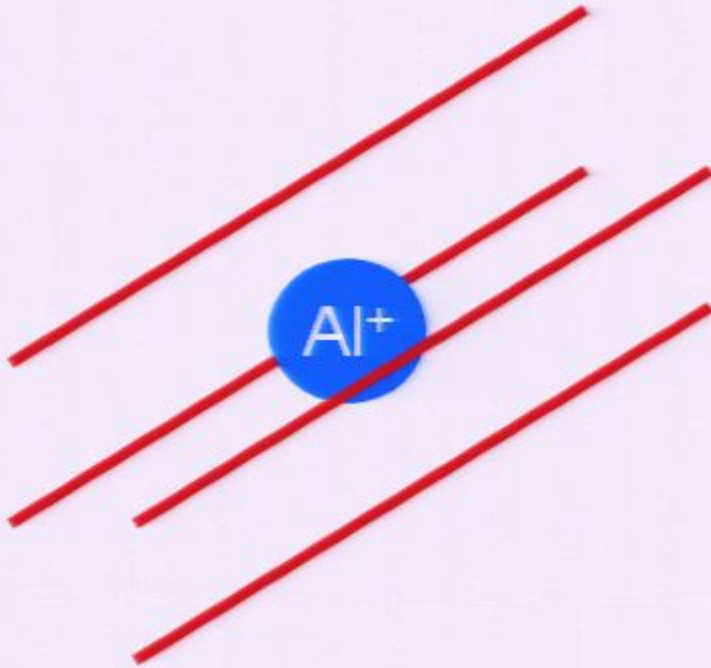
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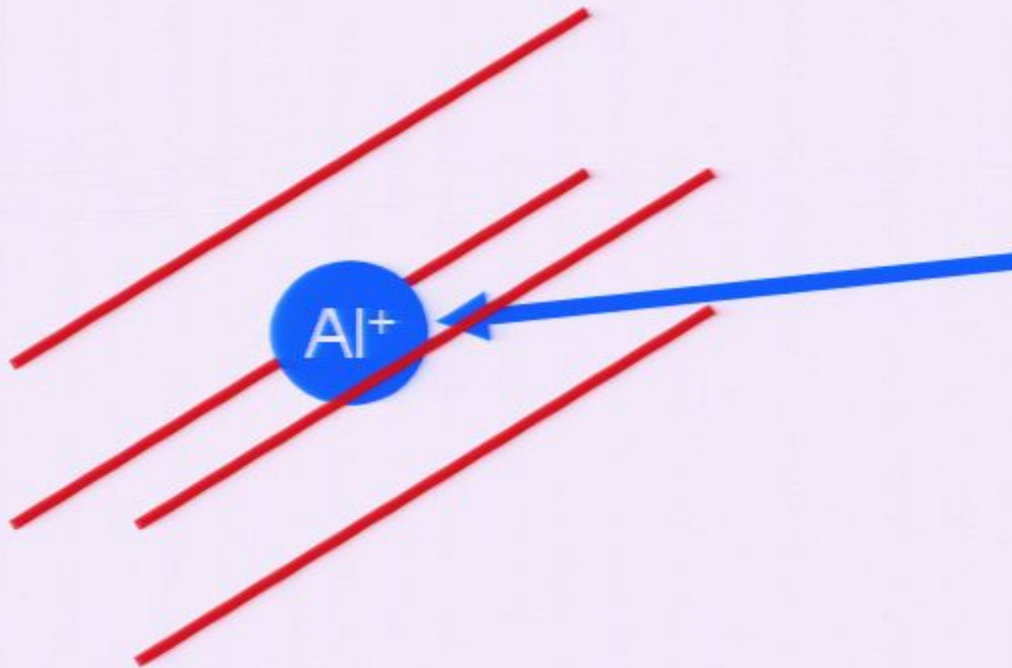
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Micromotion 2 nd order Doppler	Radial static field	-2	2
Secular 2 nd order Doppler	Radial temperature	-1.1	0.8
2 nd order Zeeman	RMS magnetic field	-68.5	0.1
Be ⁺ cooling laser Stark shift	I / Isat	-0.7	0.3
1 st -order Doppler from correlated ion movement		0	0.1
Total		-73.5	2.2

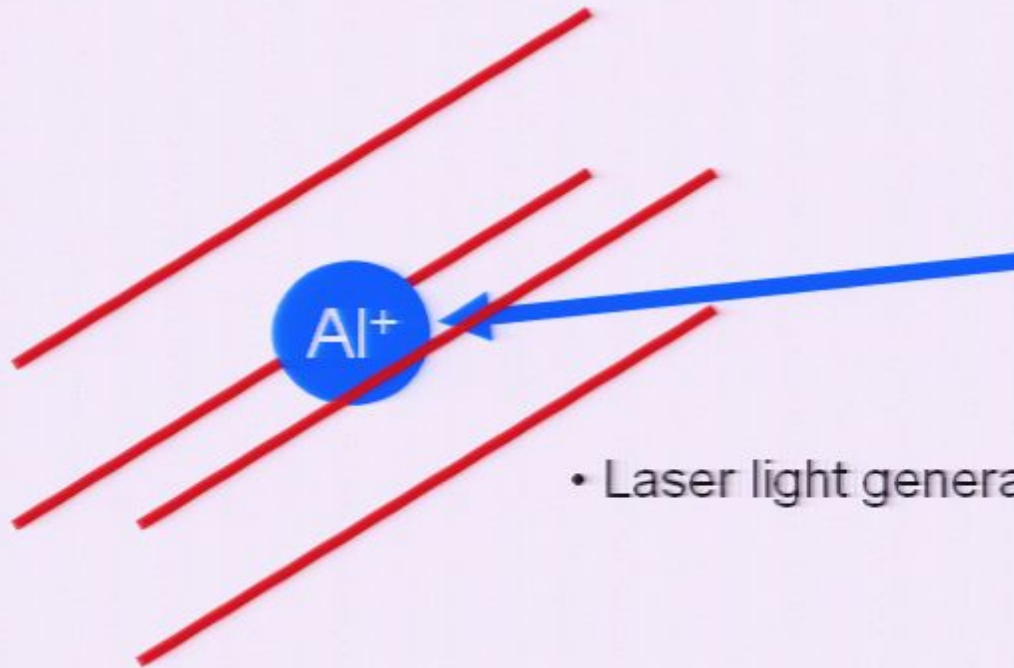
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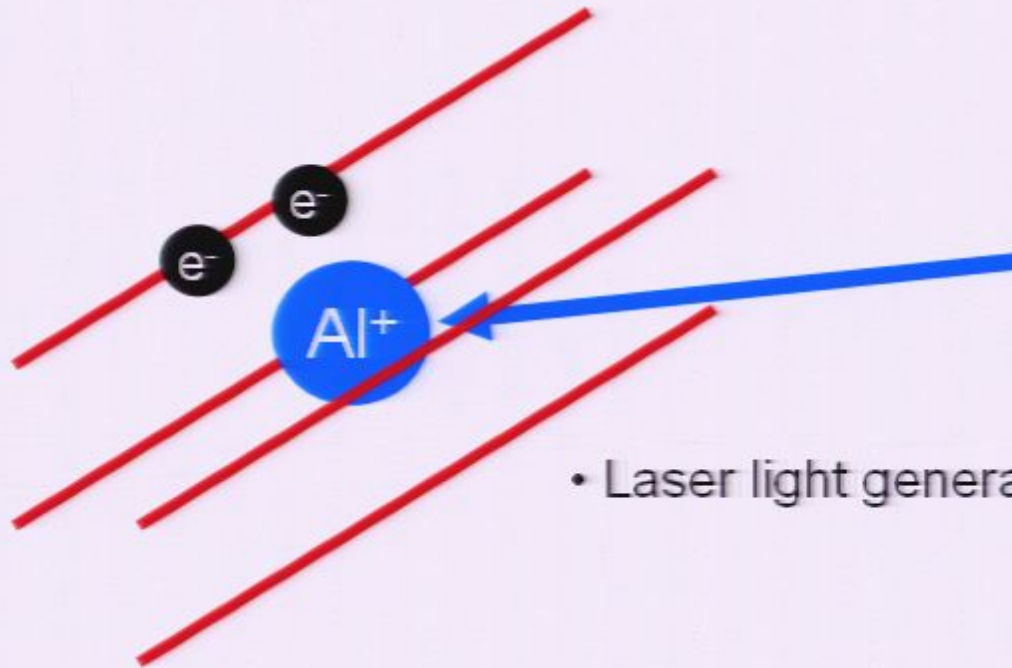


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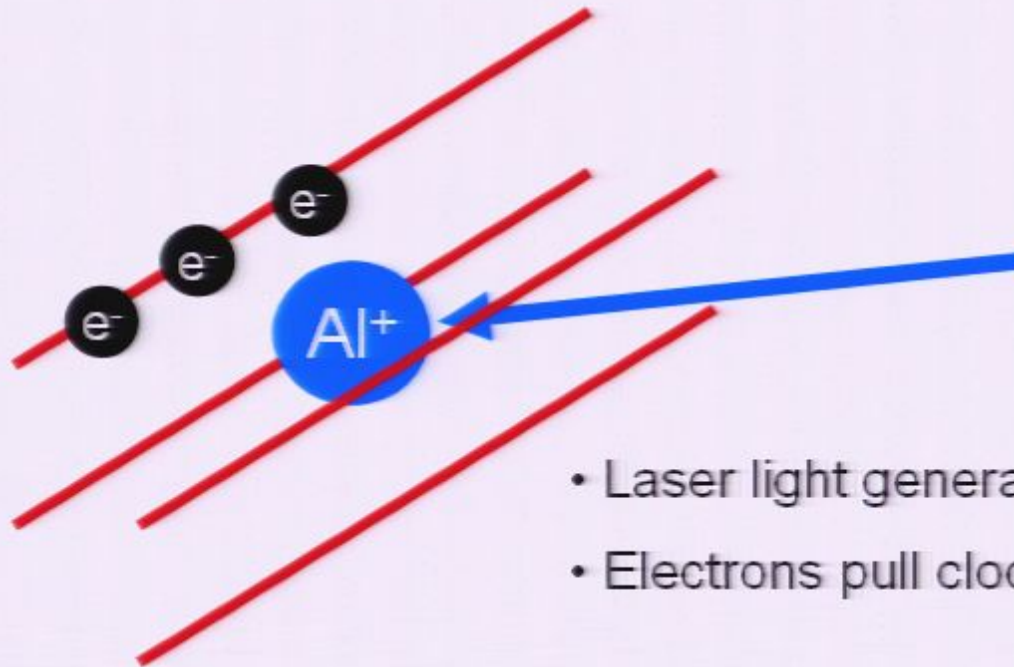
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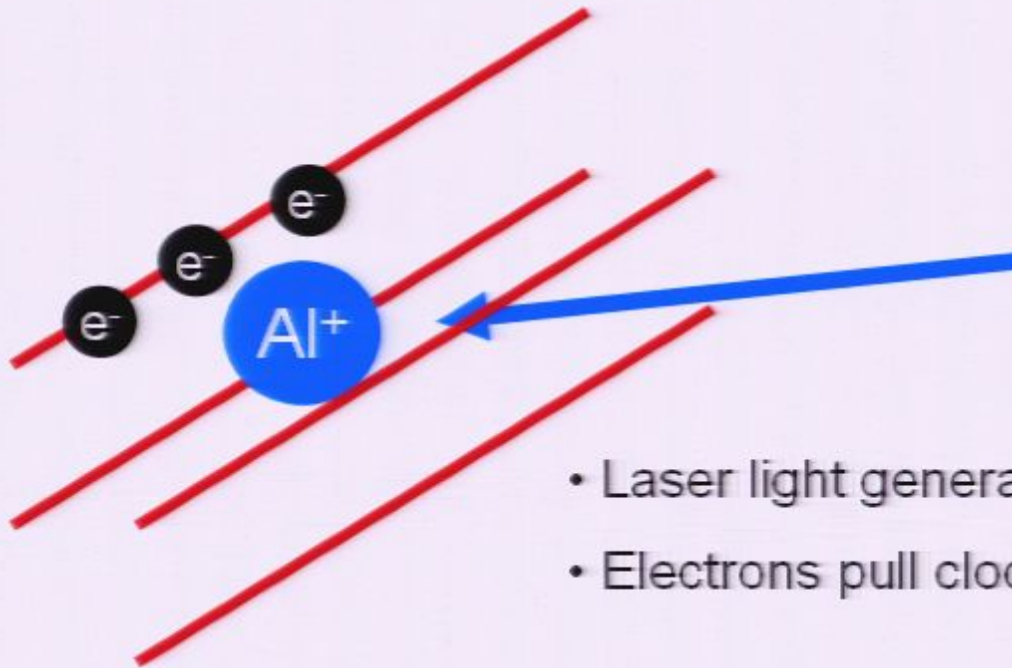
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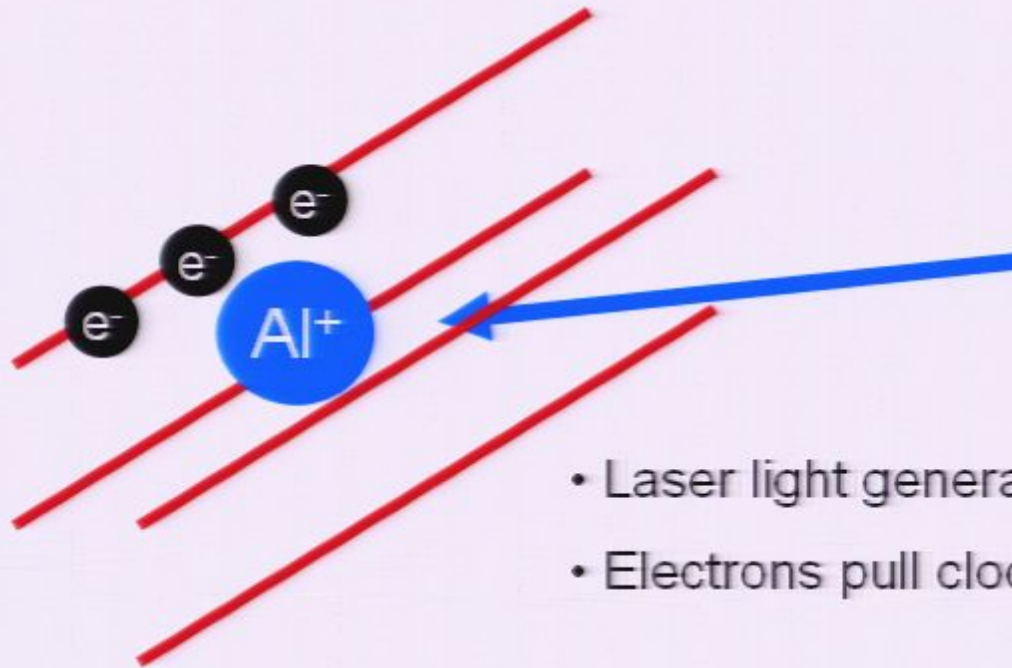
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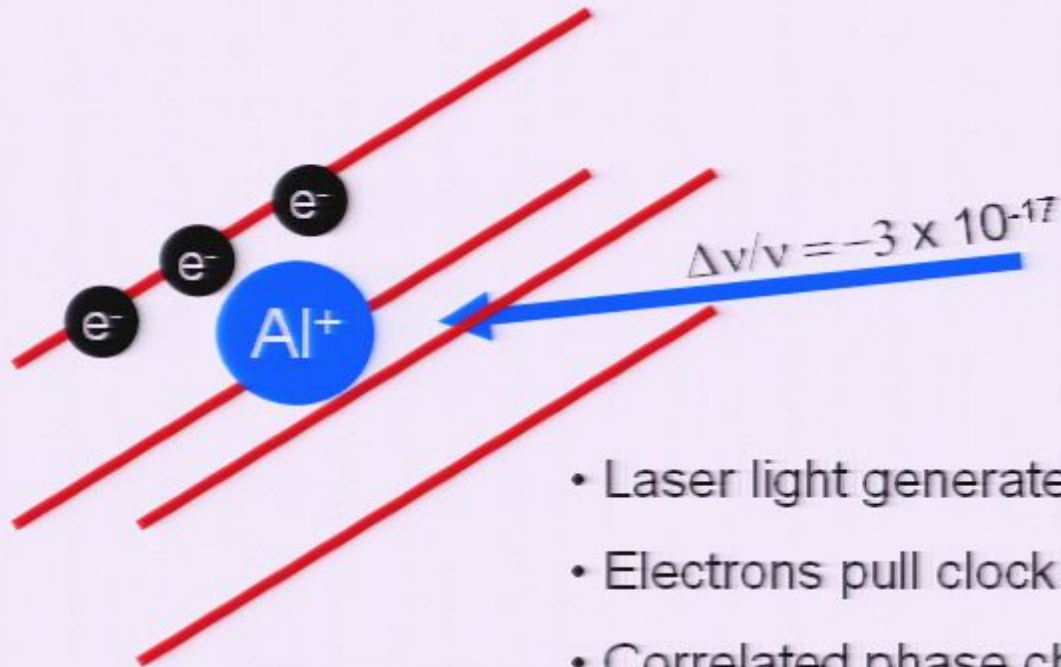
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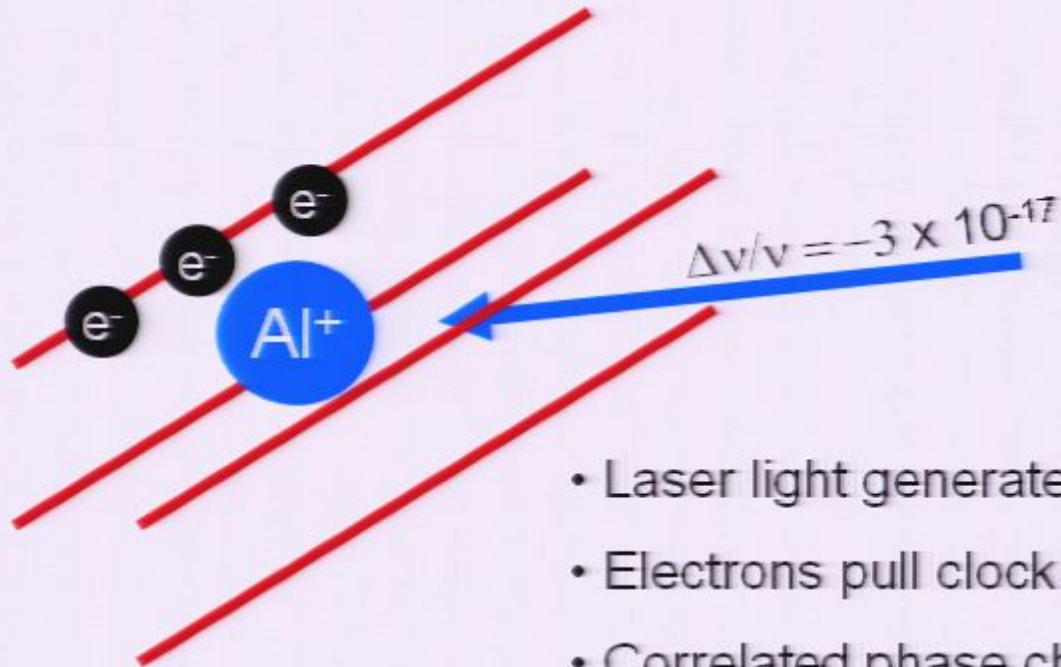
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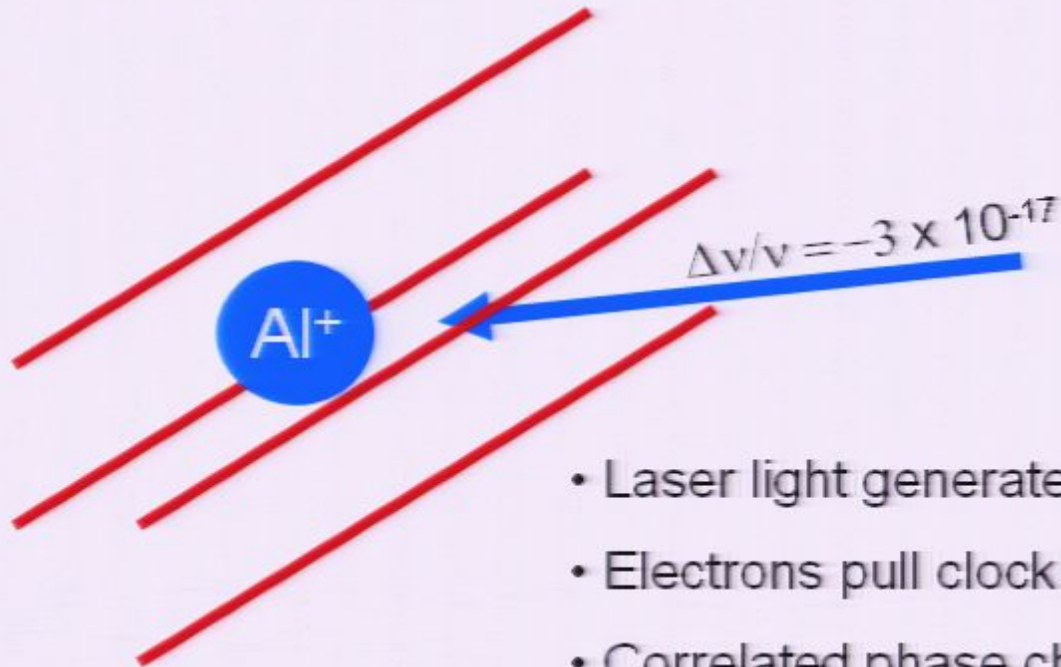
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Correlated 1st-order Doppler shift



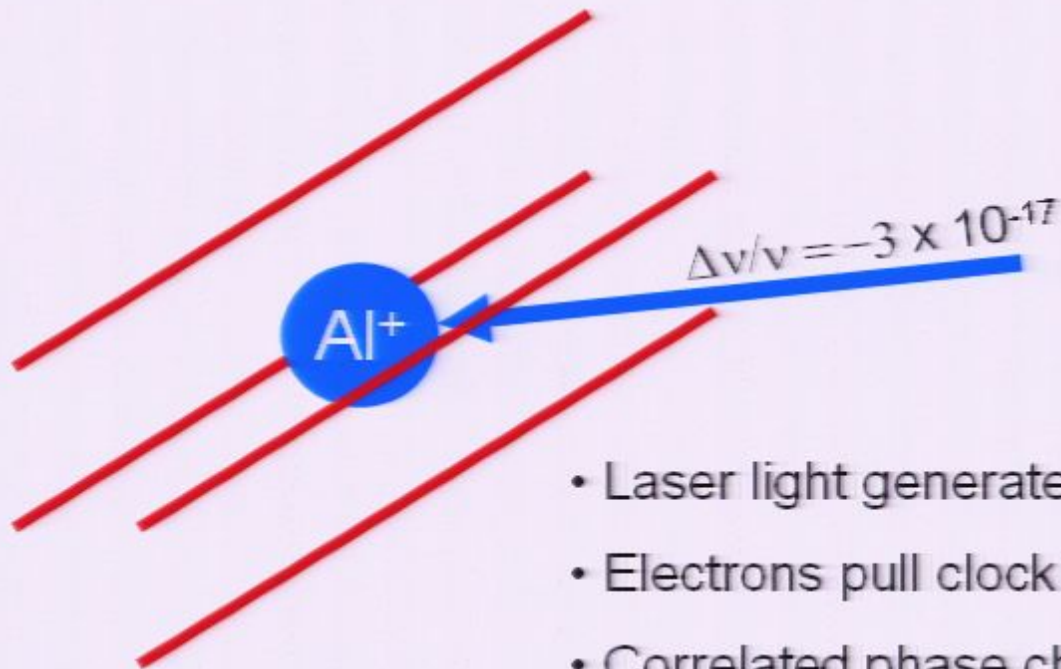
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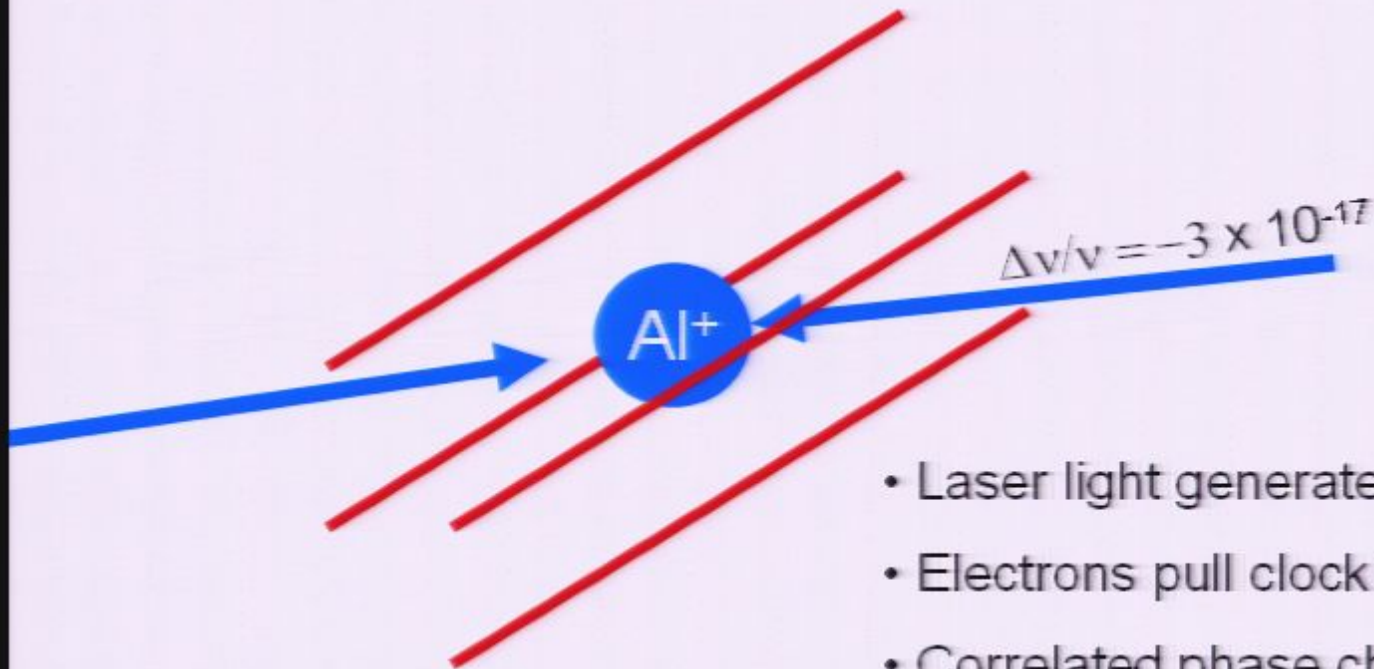
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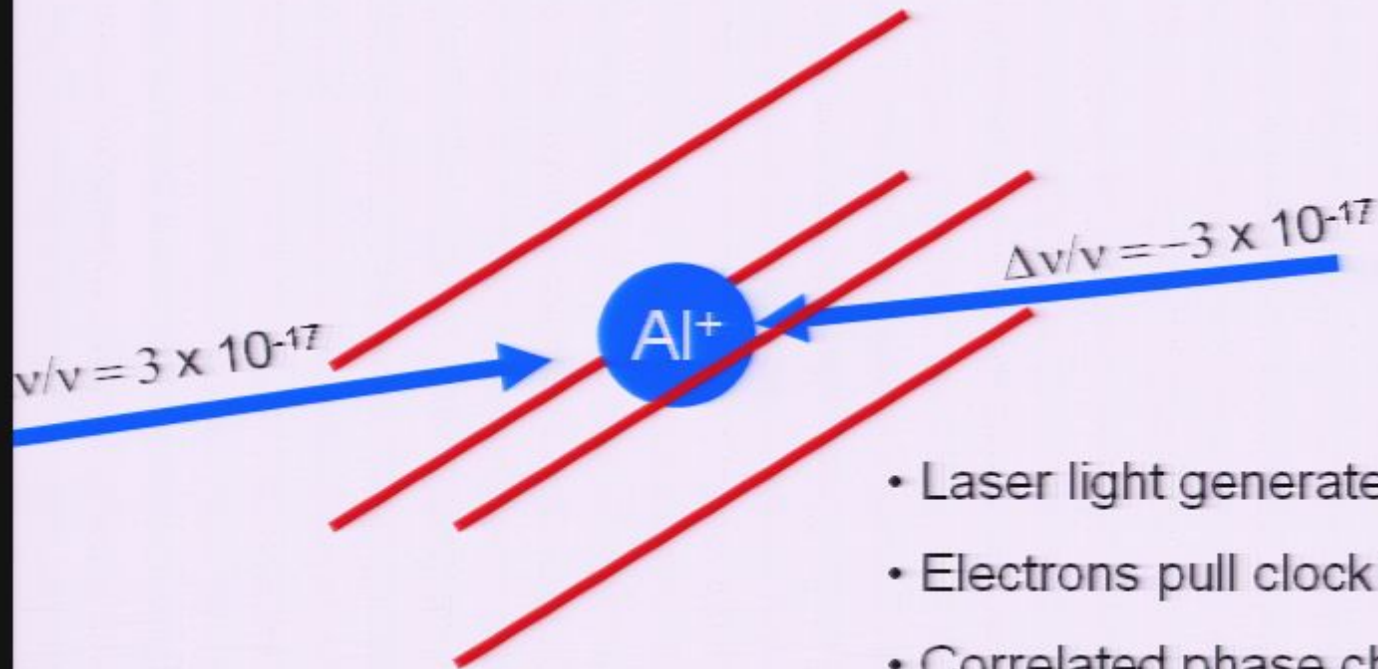
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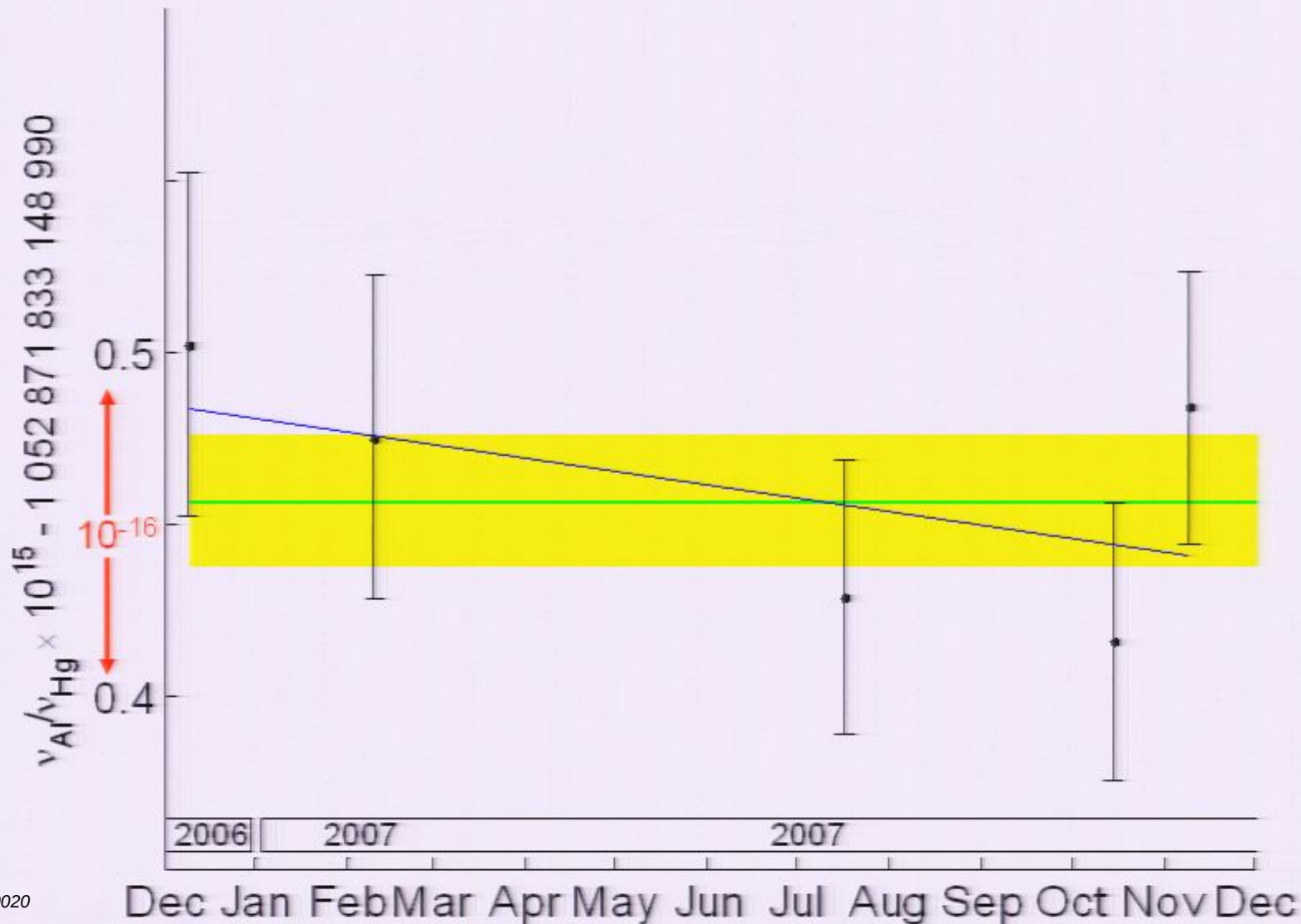
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Correlated 1st-order Doppler shift

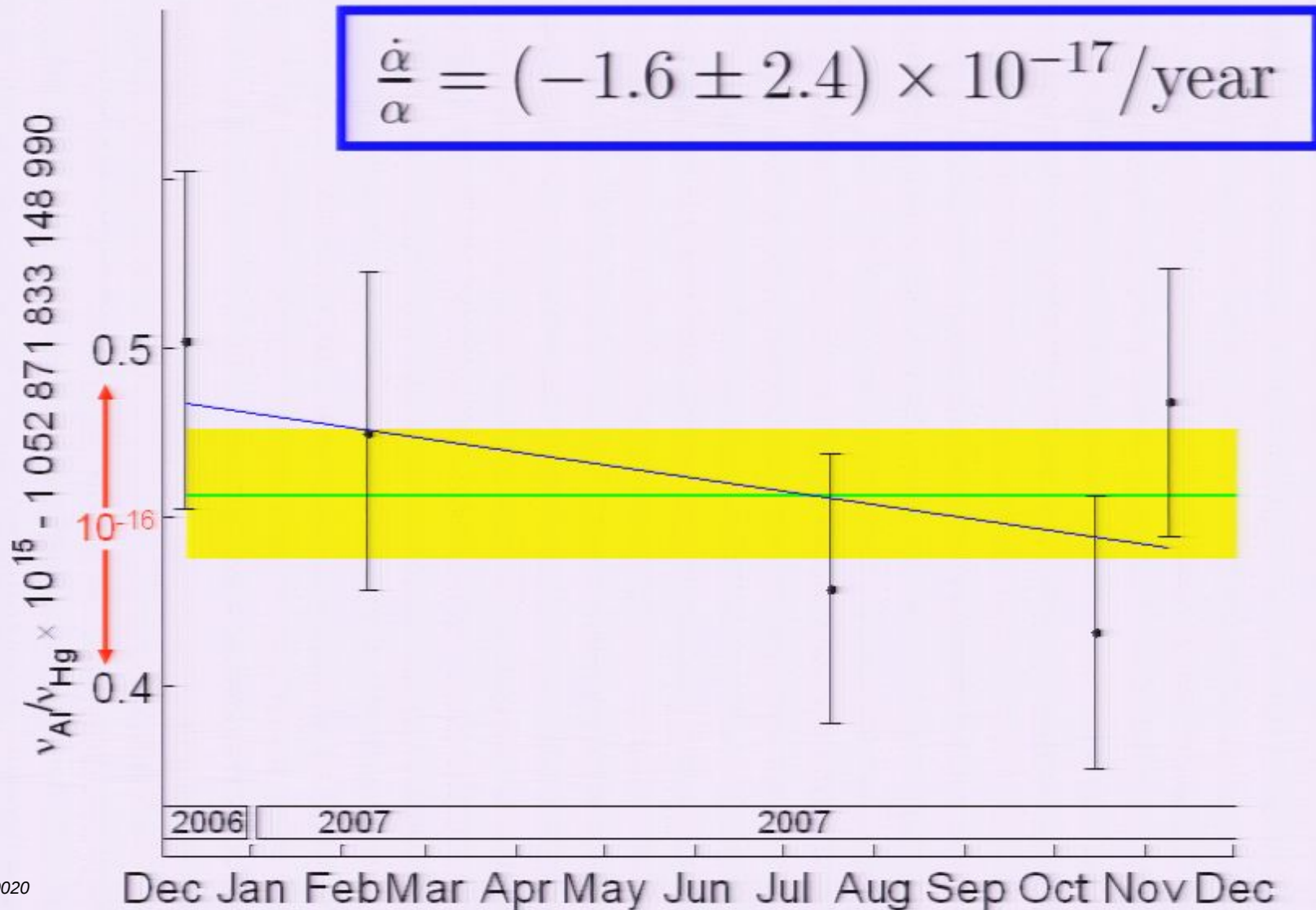


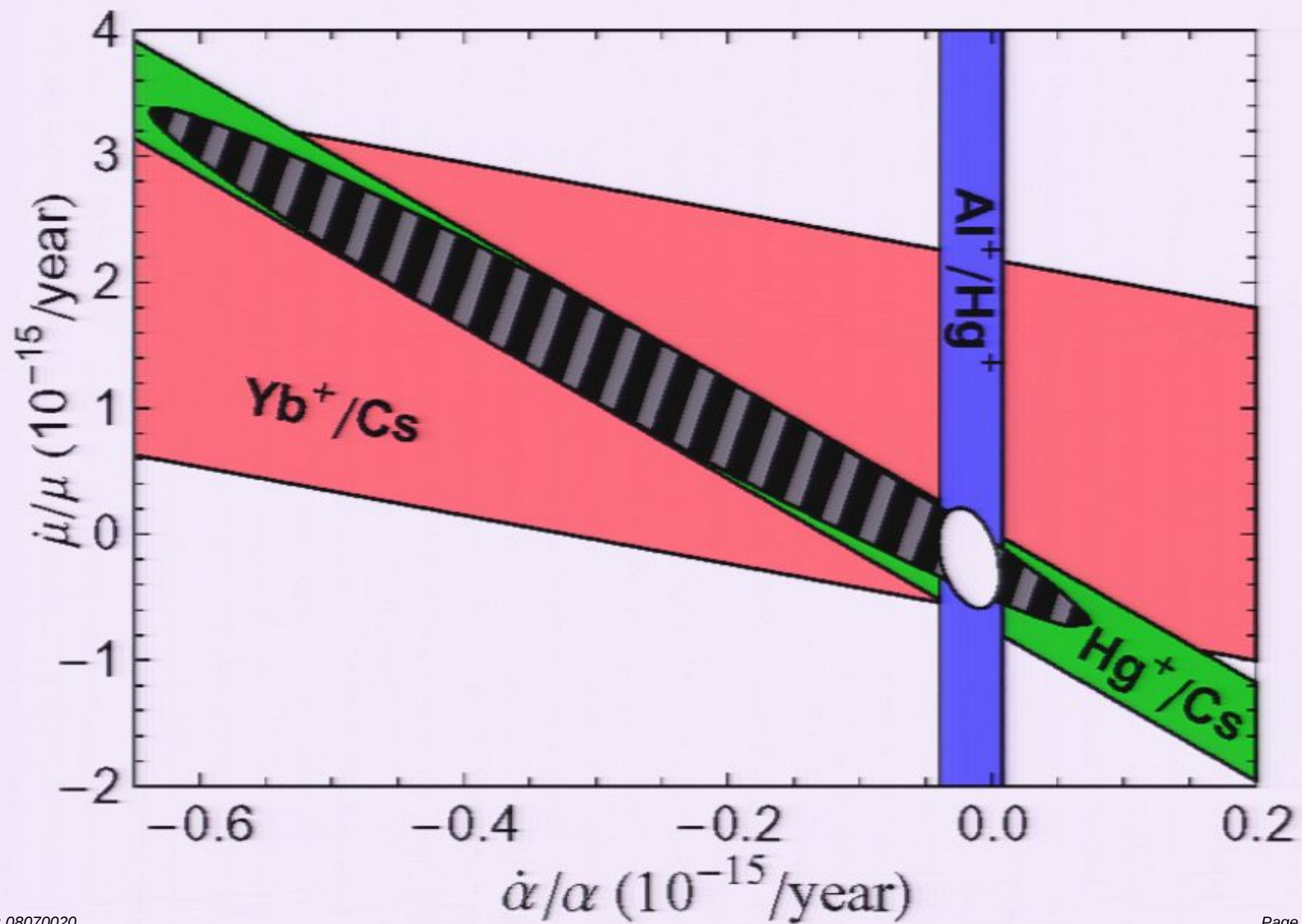
- Laser light generates photo-electrons
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- Discharge after probe pulse
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Al⁺/Hg⁺ Comparison



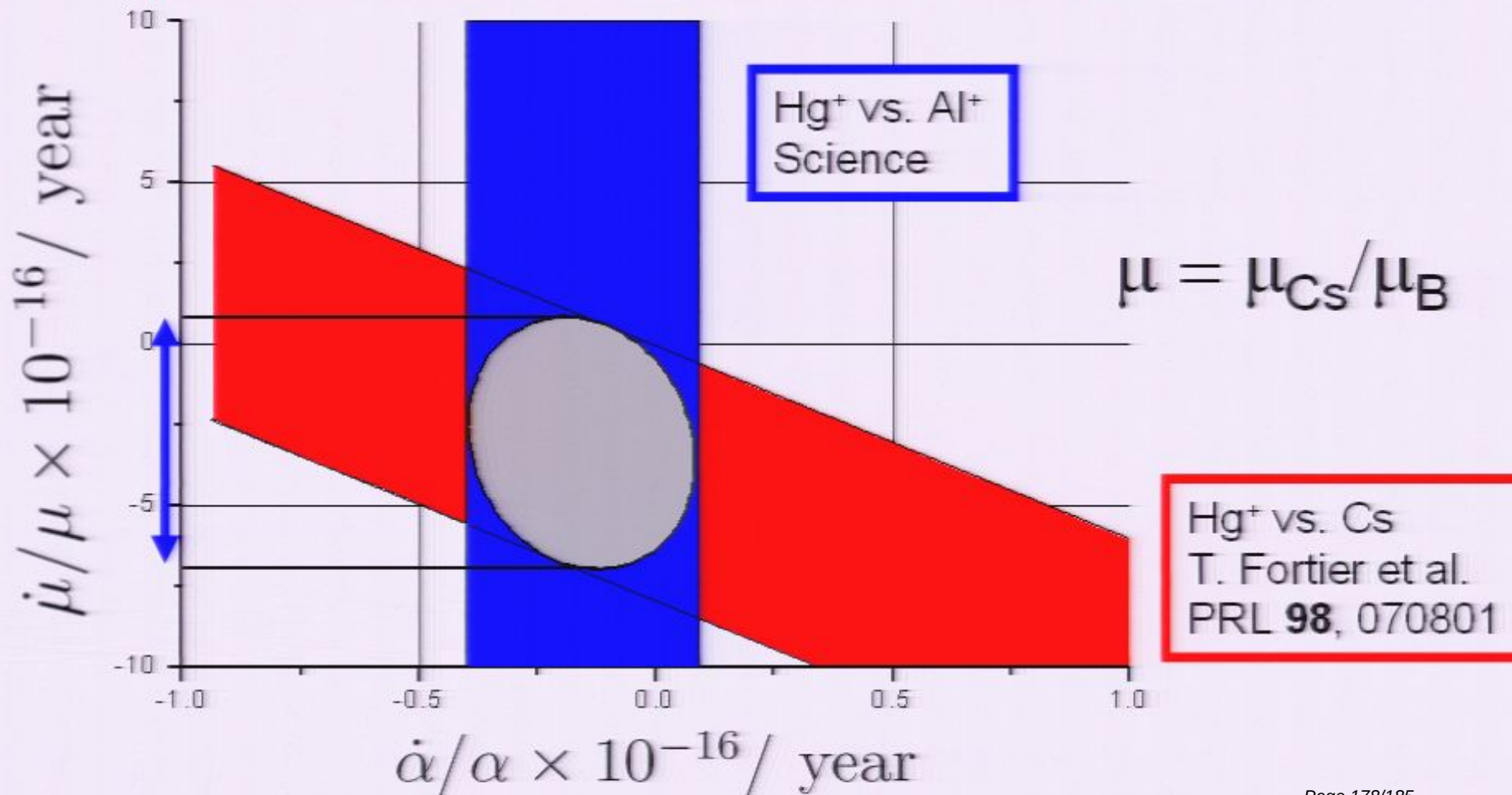
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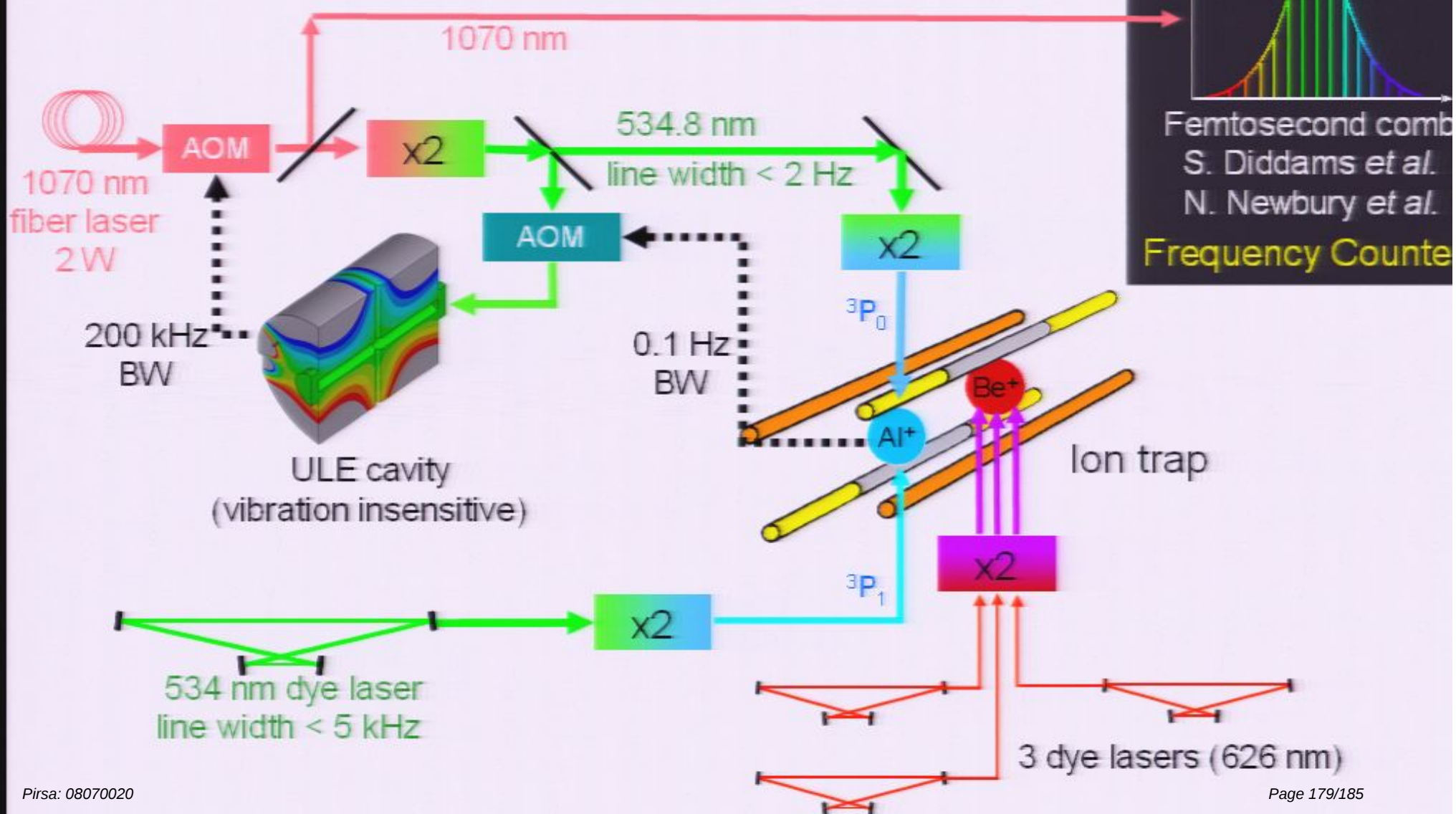


Constraint on $\mu_{\text{Cs}}/\mu_{\text{B}}$

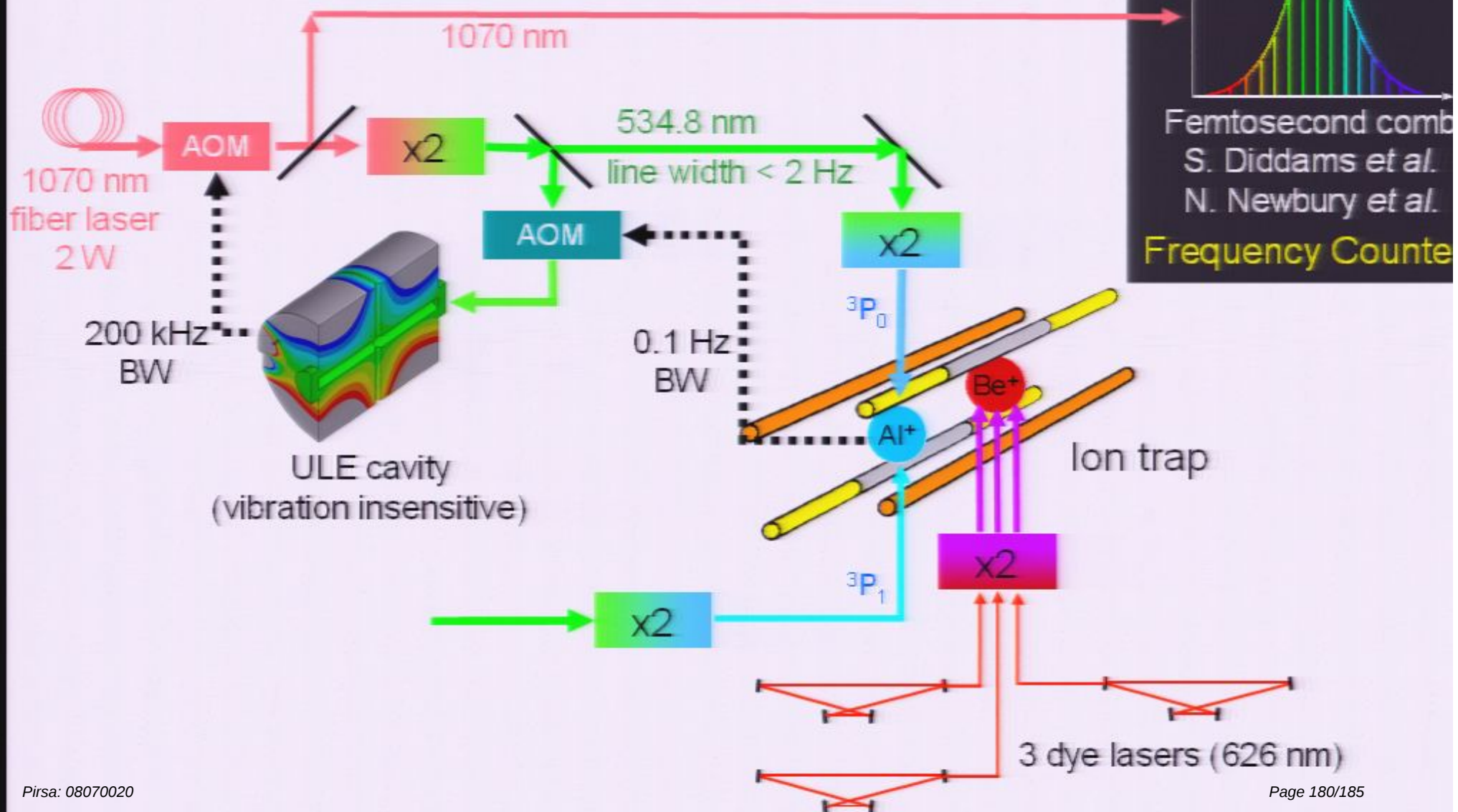
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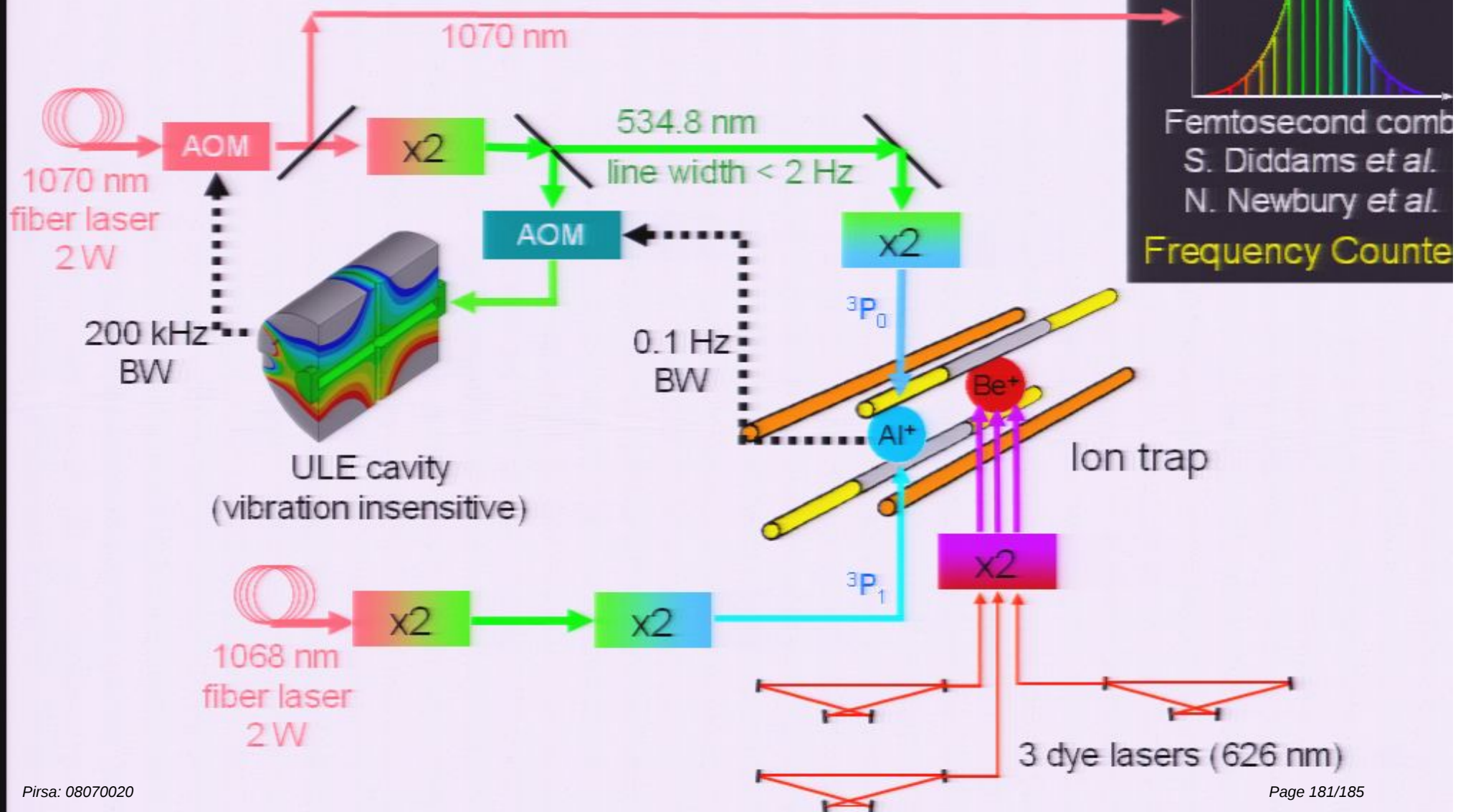
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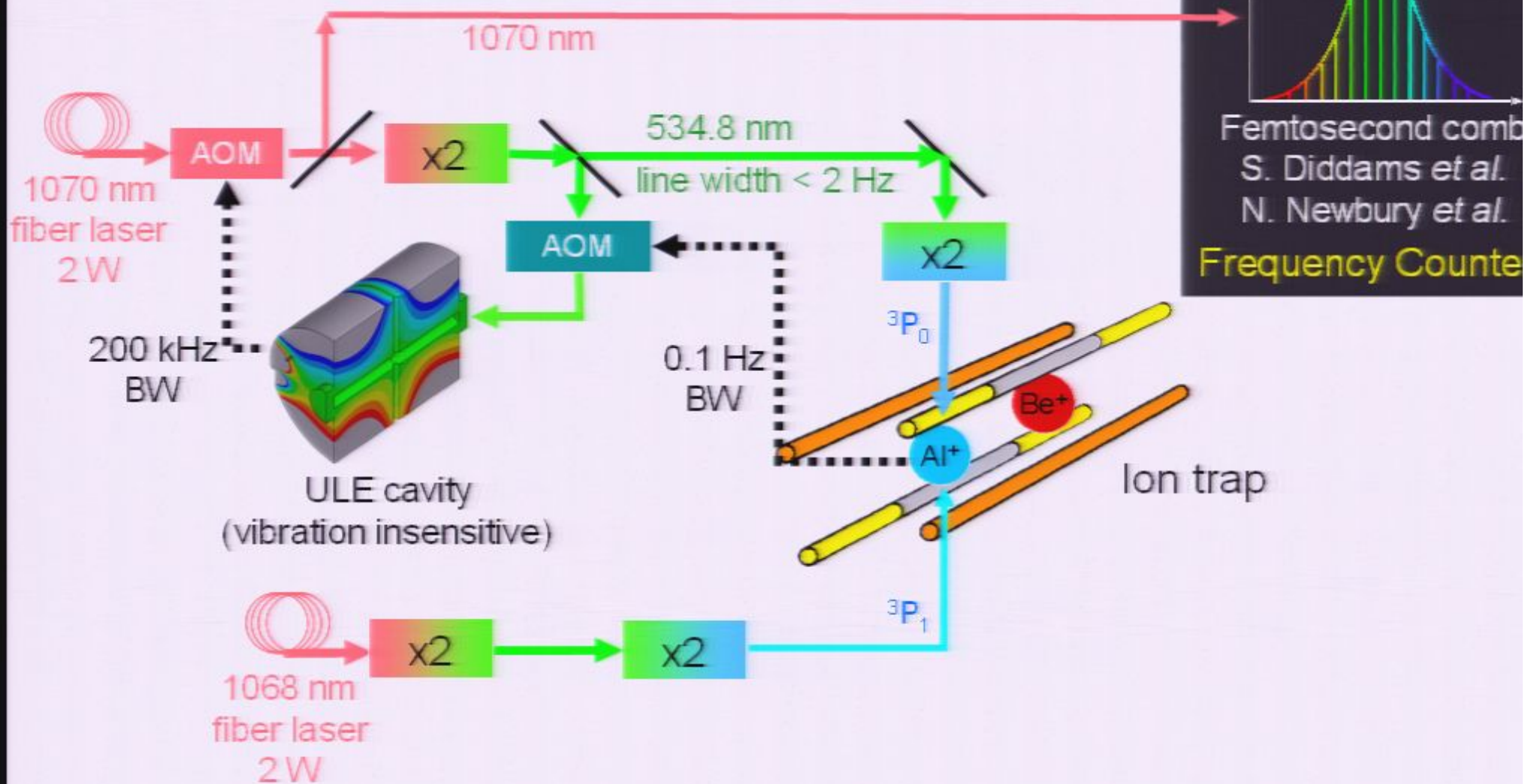
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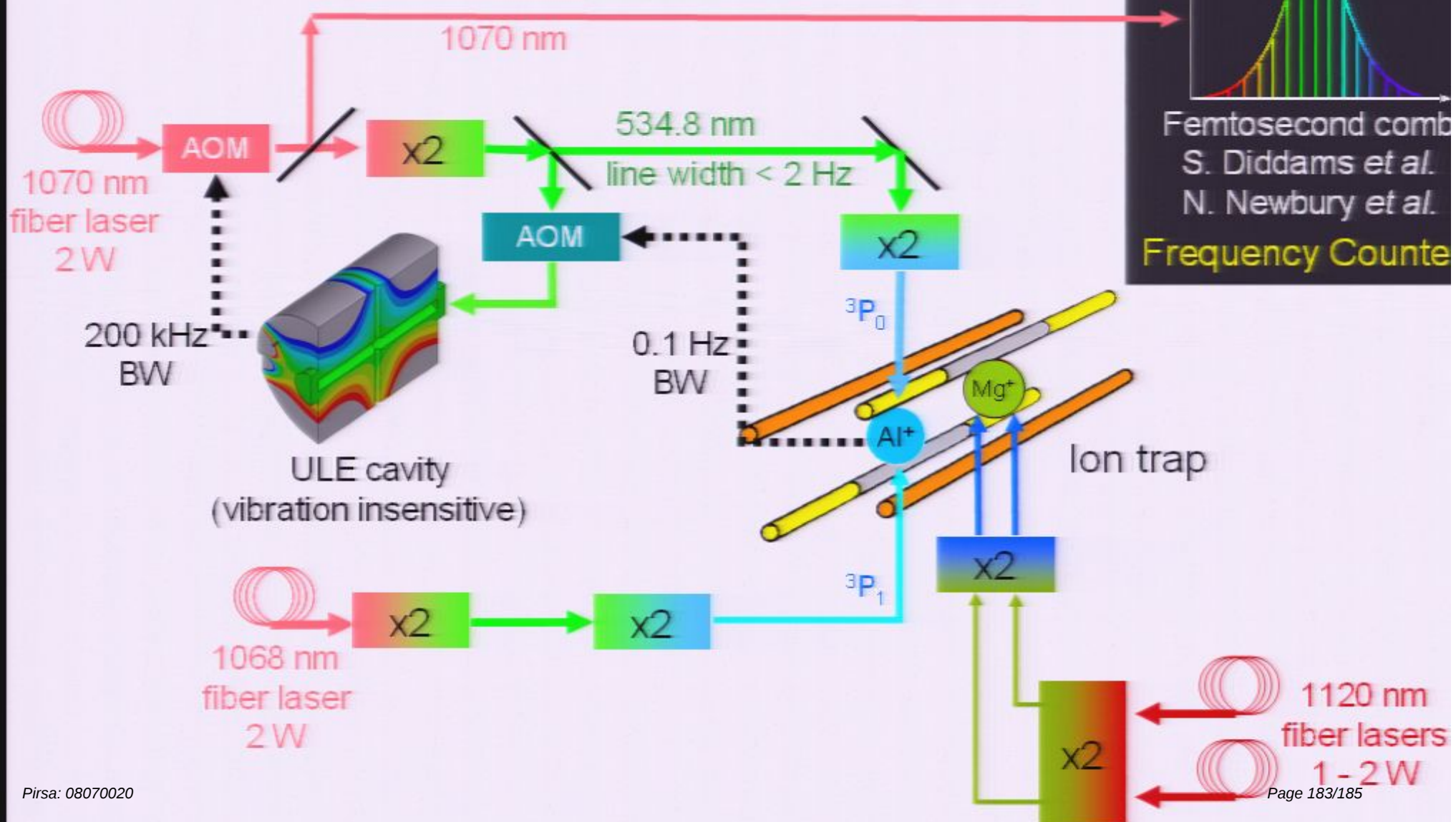
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