

# Micro-Optics for AQUARIUS

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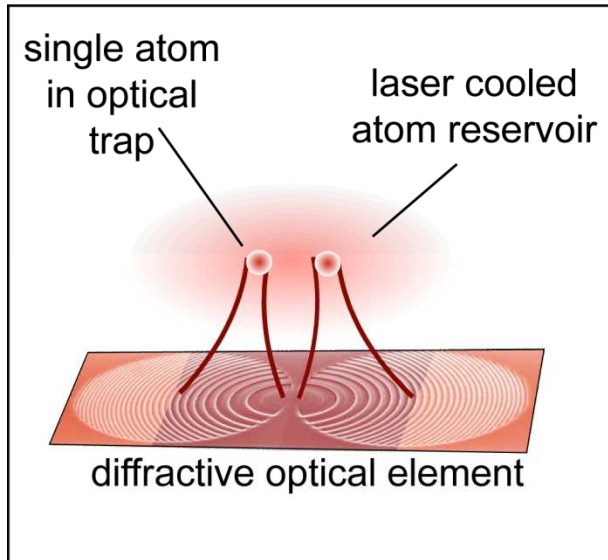
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# Outline

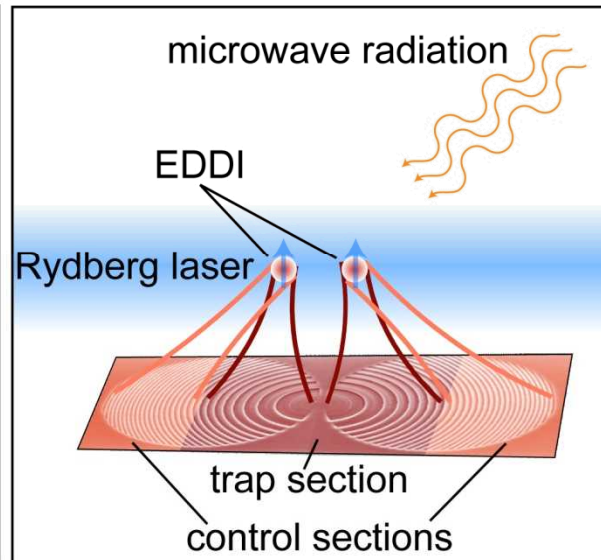
- **How to scale – micro-optics near the atoms**
- **Quantifying scaling issues that impact packaging and performance**
  - **Dielectric and metal proximity effects**
  - **Grayscale development for reduced scatter from surfaces**
  - **High NA diffractive optical elements (DOEs)**
  - **Optical tasks and priorities for an optimized optical layout**
- **Fabricated and delivered bottle beam trap DOE to Saffman lab**
  - **Utilized in experiment and paper submitted soon**
- **Designed 4X4 DOE bottle beam array**
- **Notables**

# Scaling: a near surface approach

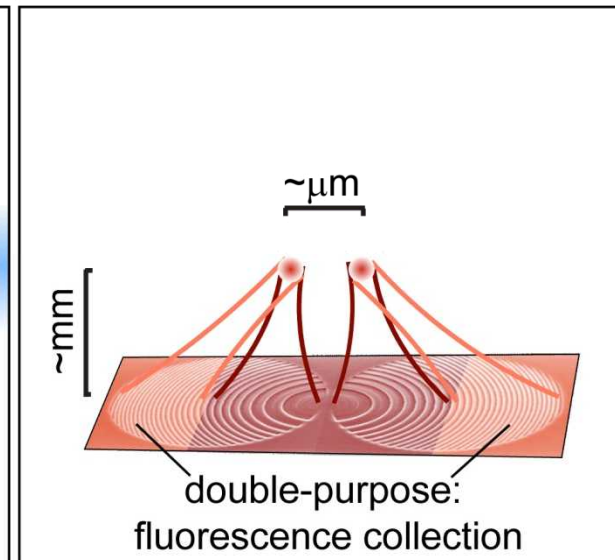
## Initialize



## Adiabatic Evolution



## State Readout

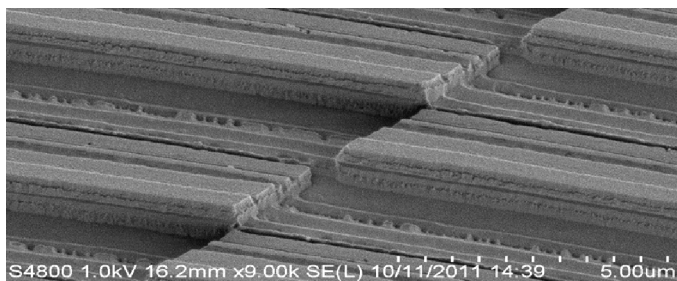


### Microfabricated diffractive optical elements

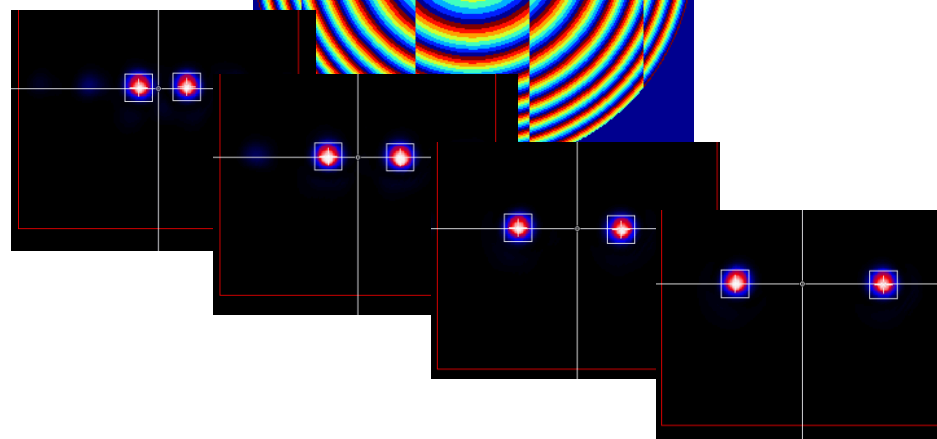
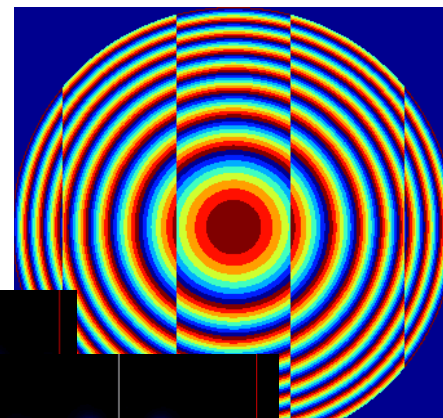
- Multiple functions juxtaposed
- Advantageous for near surface imaging
- Reduces Numerical Aperture requirements for external optics
- Multiple wavelengths juxtaposed

# Diffraction optics

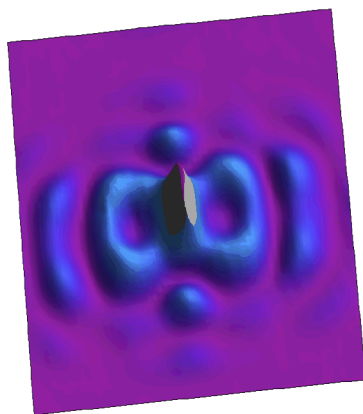
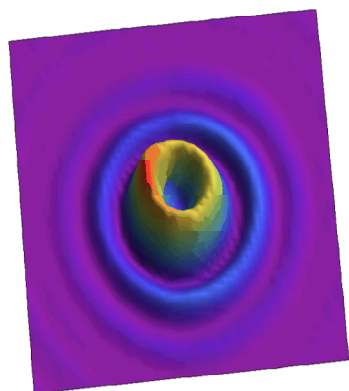
SEM tilt view of lens



2-trap



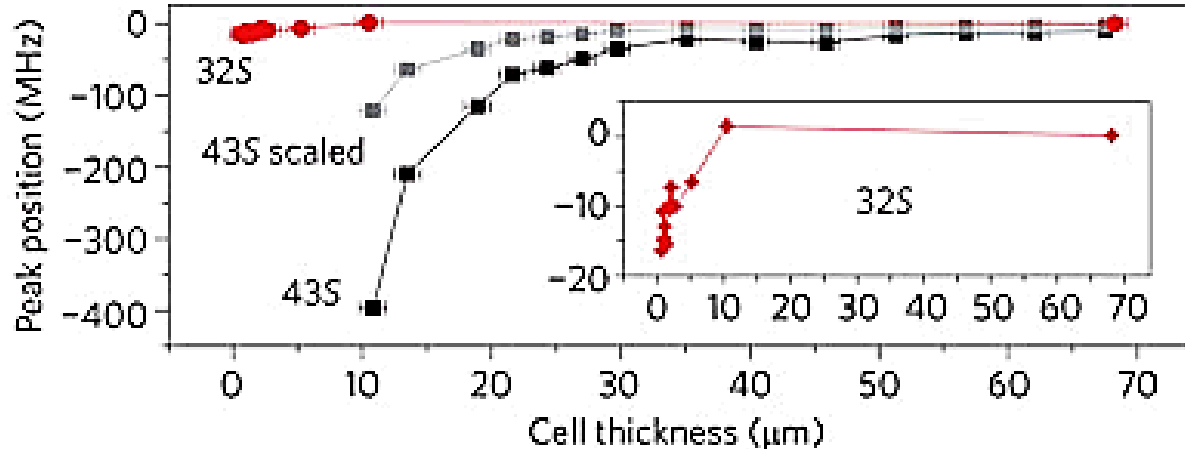
Single  
trap



Double  
trap

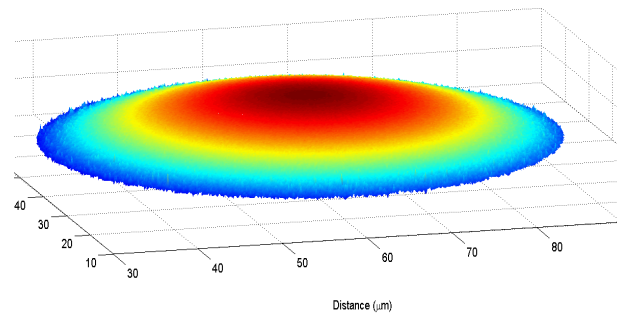
# Dielectric Proximity Effect

- Rydberg atoms likely to interact with dielectric material of DOE
  - May cause shift in peak position, peak width, both critical to atom-atom interactions
- Current choice of 2.5 mm from lens is large and eliminates the possibility of an interaction effect, decreasing this distance is important from a scaling perspective
- Characterizing this now with EIT experiment

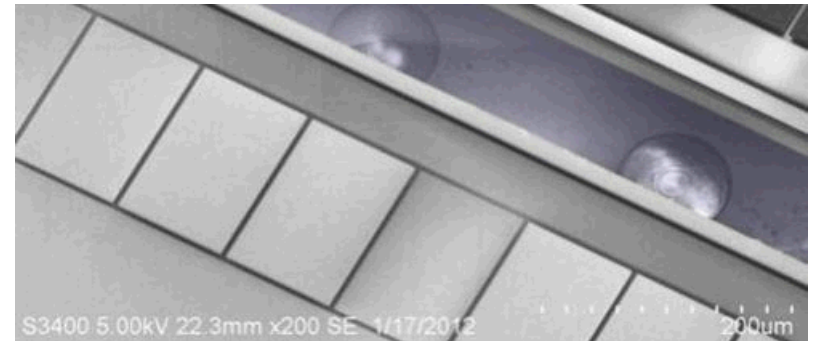
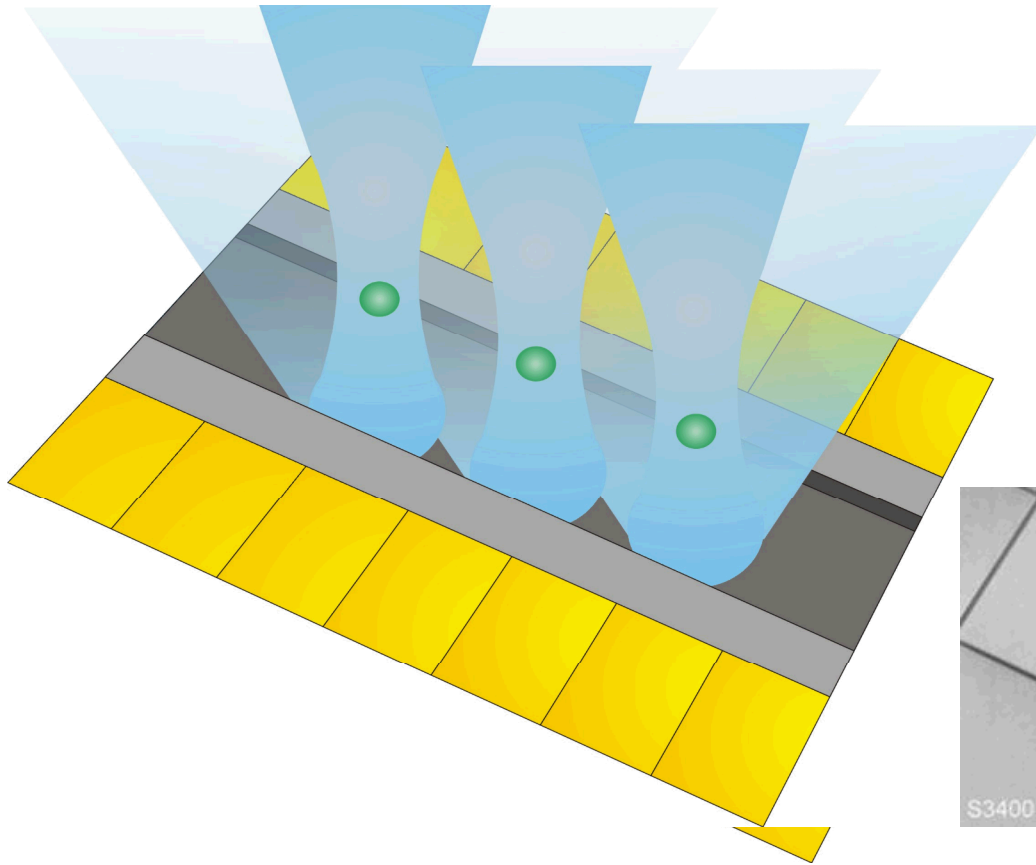


Kübler, H., Shaffer, J.P., Baluktsian, T., Löw, R., & Pfau, T. Coherent excitation of Rydberg atoms in micrometre-sized atomic vapour cells. *Nature Photon.* **4**, 112 - 116 (2010).

# Grayscale for reduced scatter



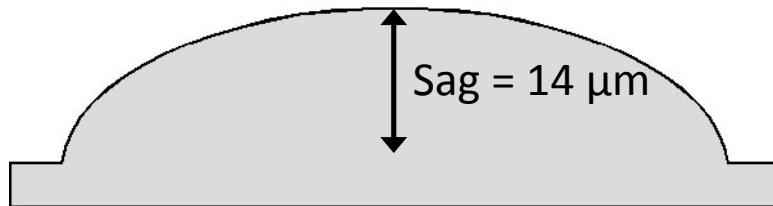
# Concern that diffractive excitation optic would detrimentally scatter light



- Atoms sensitive to scattered light/field
- Impacts how close interfaces can be
- Should we develop grayscale to reduce diffracted-order “scatter”

# Refractive grayscale optics offer higher efficiency & lower scatter

Grayscale Transmissive Lens



Cross Section, bulk patterning

Diffractive Lens



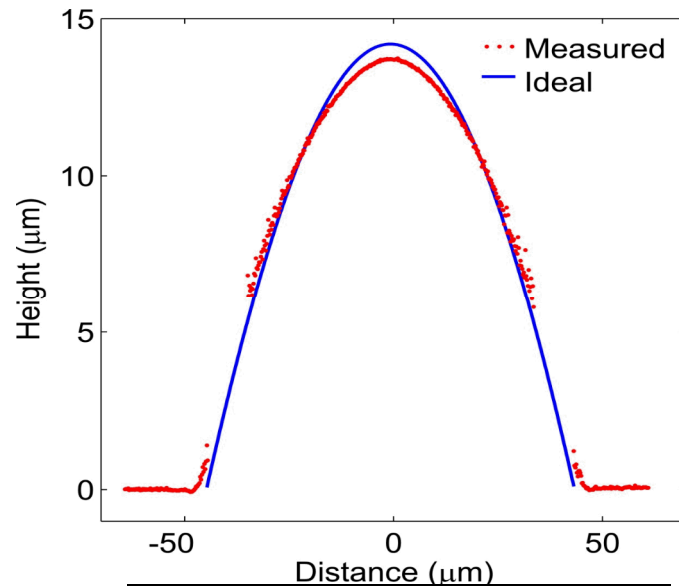
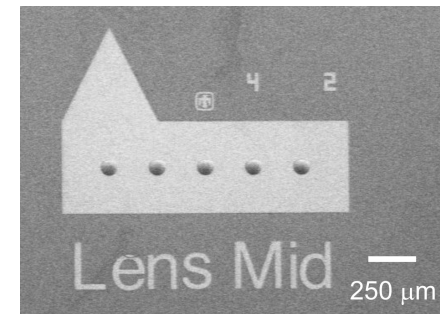
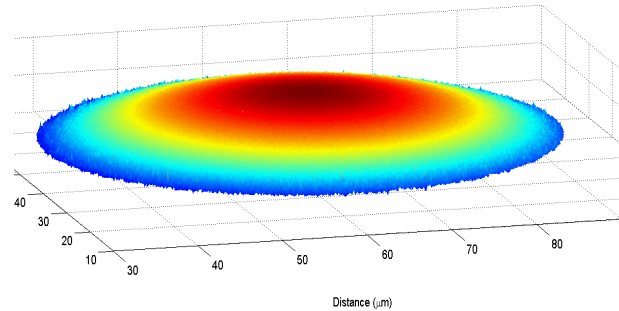
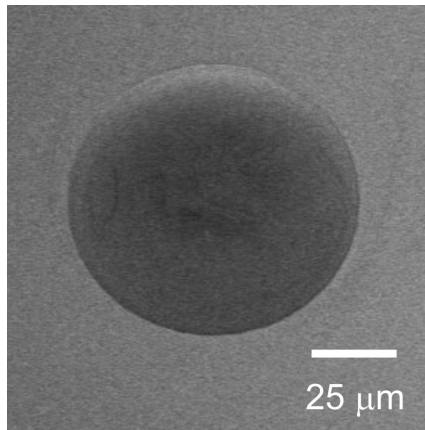
Cross Section, Surface patterning

Grayscale also offers (unlike reflow):

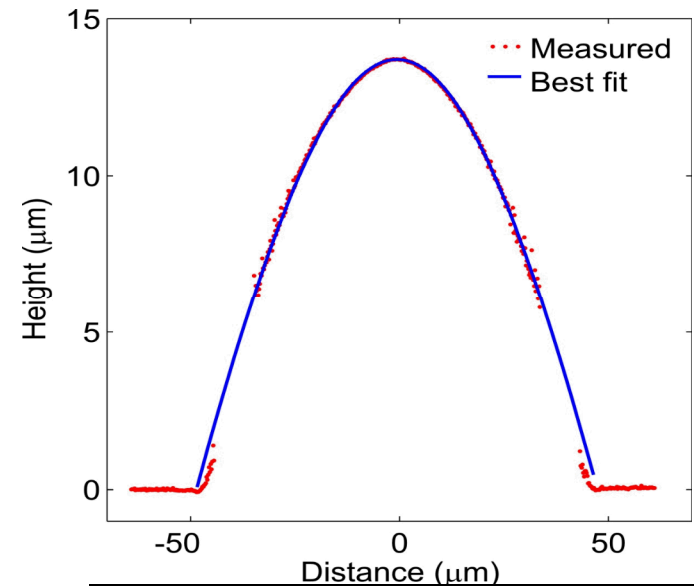
- Aspherical and off-axis capabilities
- 100% fill factor
- Concave shapes (divots)



# Successful lens transfer into silica

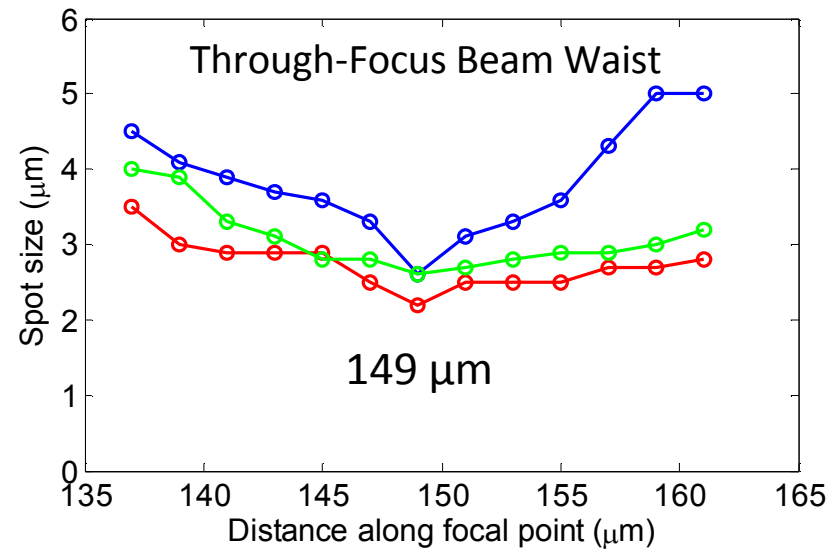
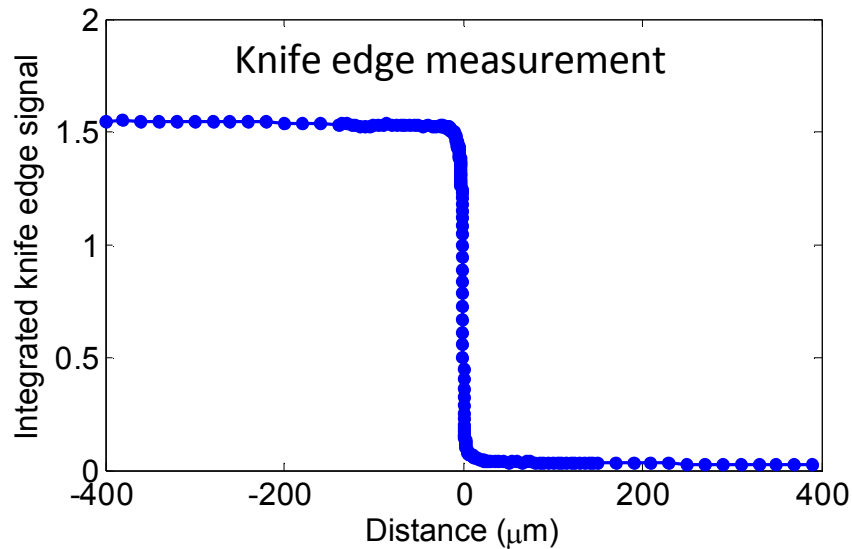


Radius of curvature	62.3 $\mu\text{m}$
Conic constant	-1.851



Radius of curvature	69.8 $\mu\text{m}$
Conic constant	-3.082

# Grayscale lens performance was exactly as designed



- Knife-edge measurements of spot size through focus => 2.6 microns diameter
- At-spec focus position => 149 microns
- Theoretical grayscale lens efficiency is 92%
- Knife-edge measurement of efficiency => 79% (86% of theoretical, loss due to some rms roughness?)

# Scaling Means High NA Optics Close to Atoms, DOEs are a Packaging Answer for Scaling

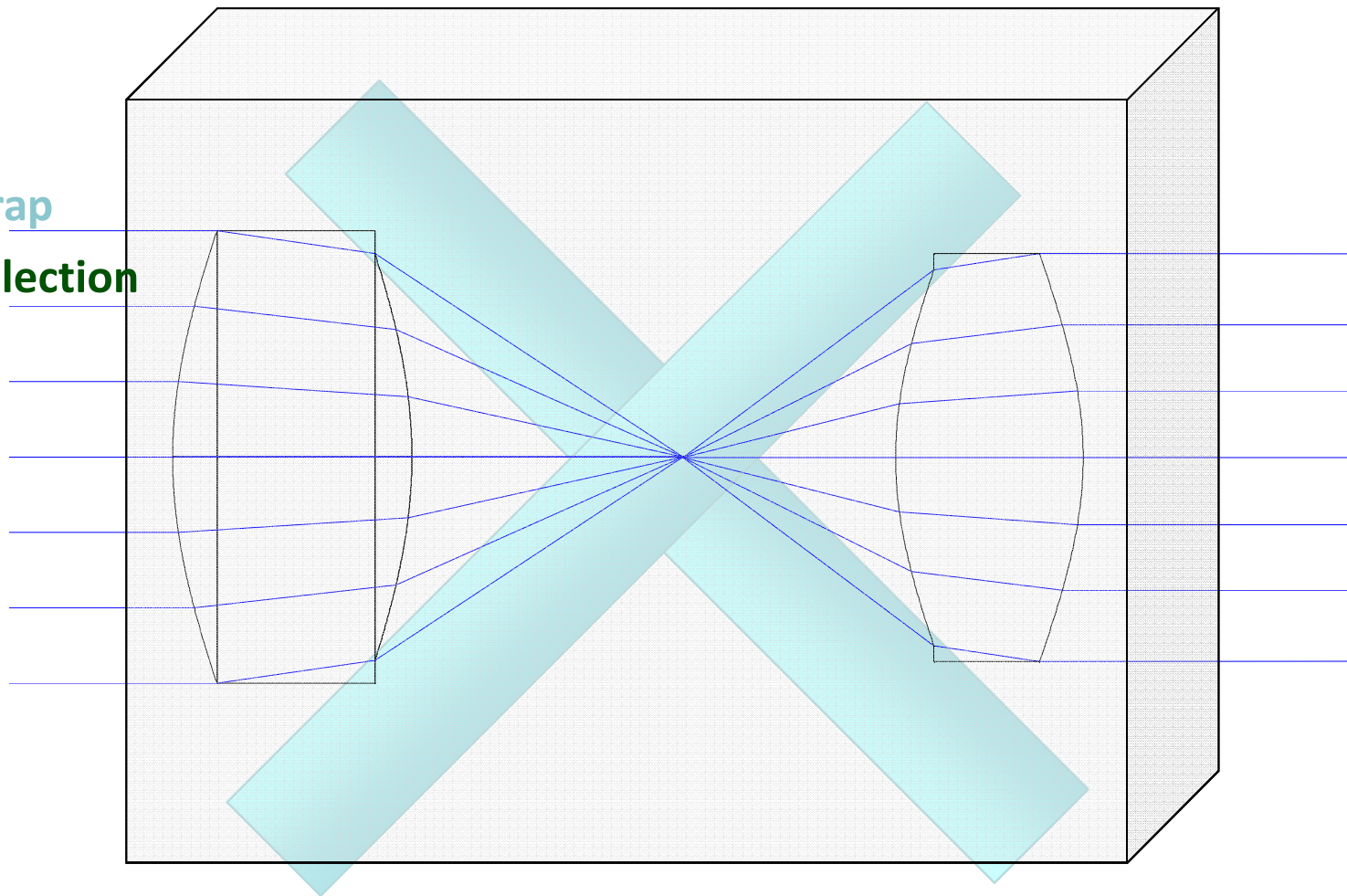
# Limited Optical Access

**MOT beams**

**Optical Dipole Trap**

**Fluorescence collection**

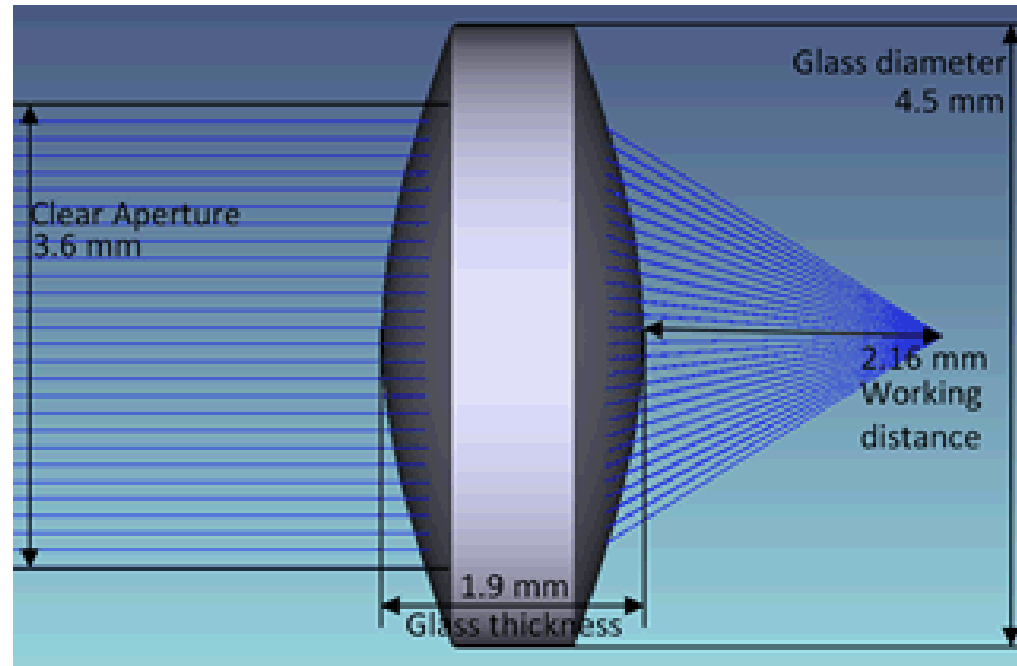
**Vacuum cell**



- Small space, in vacuum
- Multiple laser lines spread over broad spectral range
- Maximize fluorescence collection

# *Small-Refractive Lenses are still Bulky*

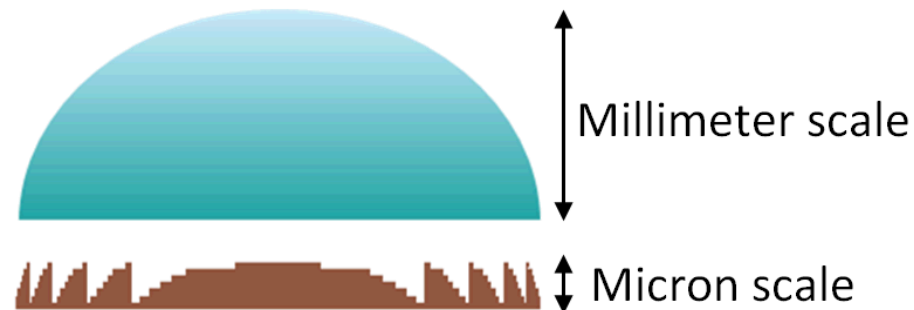
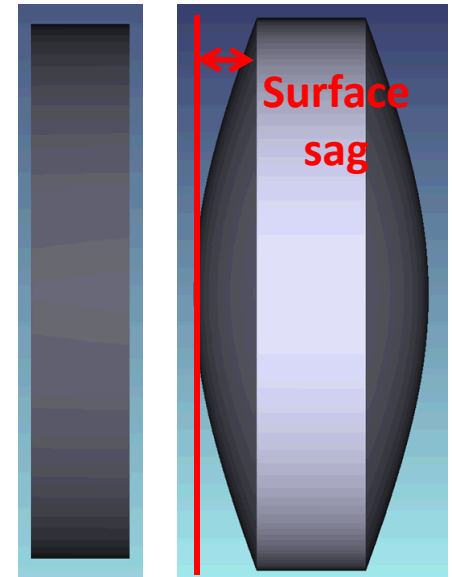
Lens diameter = 4.5 mm  
 Clear aperture = 3.6 mm  
 Lens thickness = 1.9 mm  
 Focal length = 2.75 mm  
 Working distance = 2.15 mm  
 Numerical aperture = 0.55



- Large numerical aperture refractive lenses have significant surface sag
- The working distance of the lens is substantially shorter than the focal length

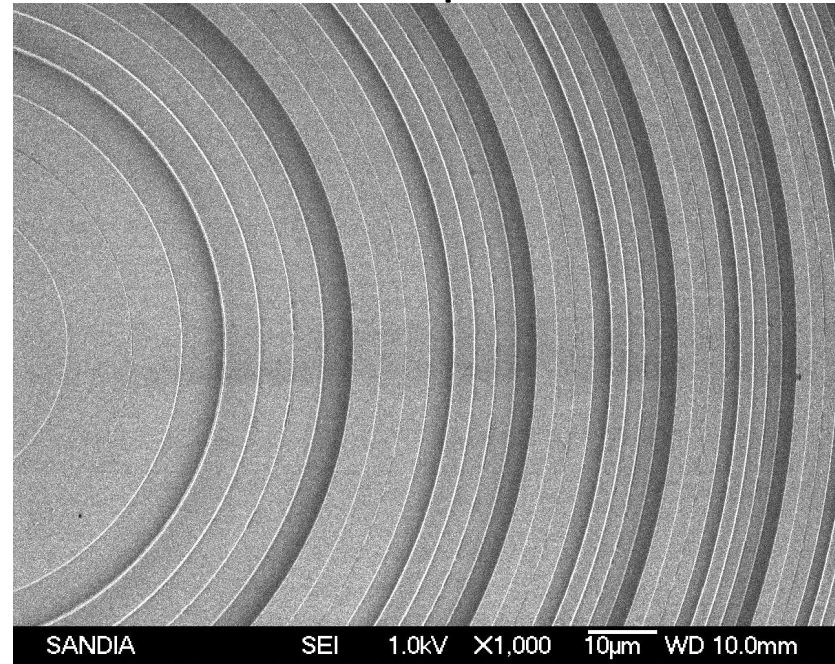
# DOEs Occupy a Small Volume and are Best Suited for Use in Vacuum

- A **significant size advantage** is conferred by the incorporation of DOEs
- DOE does not have surface sag
  - Occupies a smaller volume for the same NA
  - A smaller thickness can be used in a DOE, limited only by need for structural rigidity
- 100% fill-factor
- Ideal for small spaces, vacuum and working at a single wavelength



# Diffractive Optics Enable Scaling

- Diffractive Optics are an enabling technology in the scalability to large numbers of qubits in neutral atom based quantum computing
- Vacuum compatible
- Small physical profiles
  - High optical access
  - Enables shorter distance to atoms
- Specifically tailored to the optical field
- High collection efficiency
  - An NA of 0.55 represents photon collection from 8.2% of the sphere whereas at an NA of 0.8, photons from 20.3% of the atom's radiating sphere are collected



# Path Forward

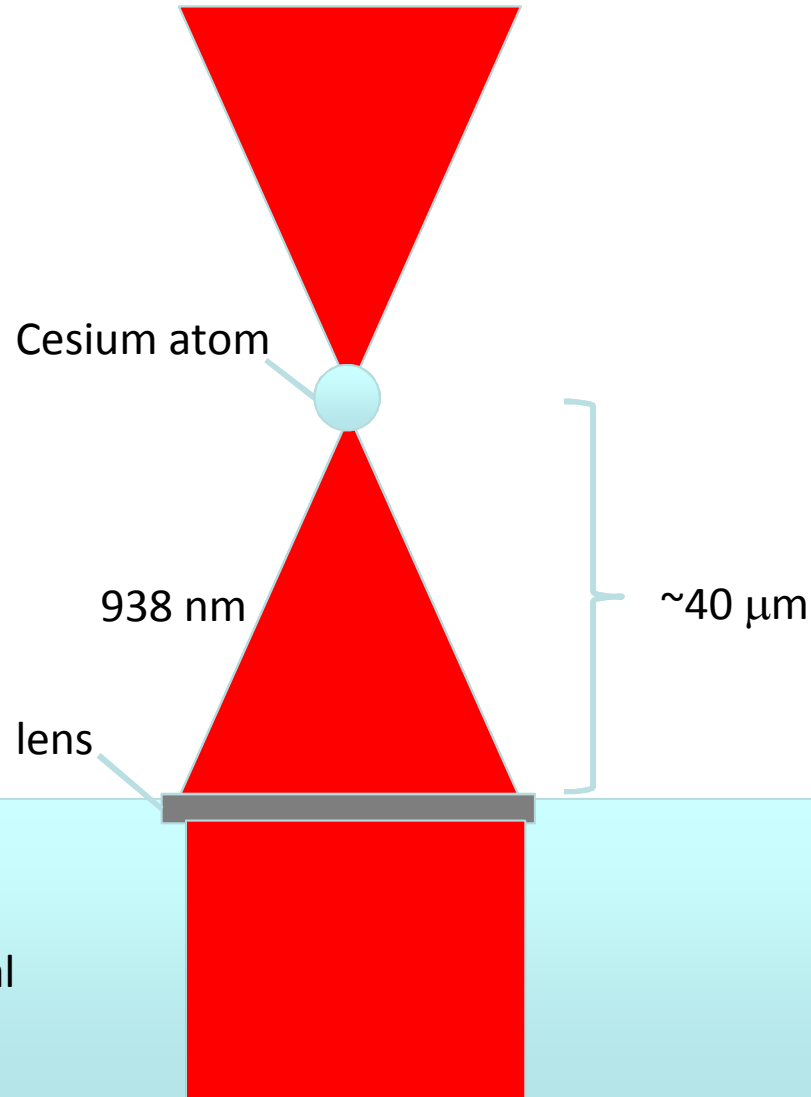
- Realization of quantum computers: must be able to scale up to many-qubits
- DOEs allow custom design of the optical fields and efficient packaging
- Arrays of DOEs can create optical traps, collect fluorescence, ...
  - Larger NA
  - Smaller package
  - Better uniformity than refractive optics
- Wafer level fabrication facilitates ease of optical alignment and integration



# What does a useful qubit require?

## A handle

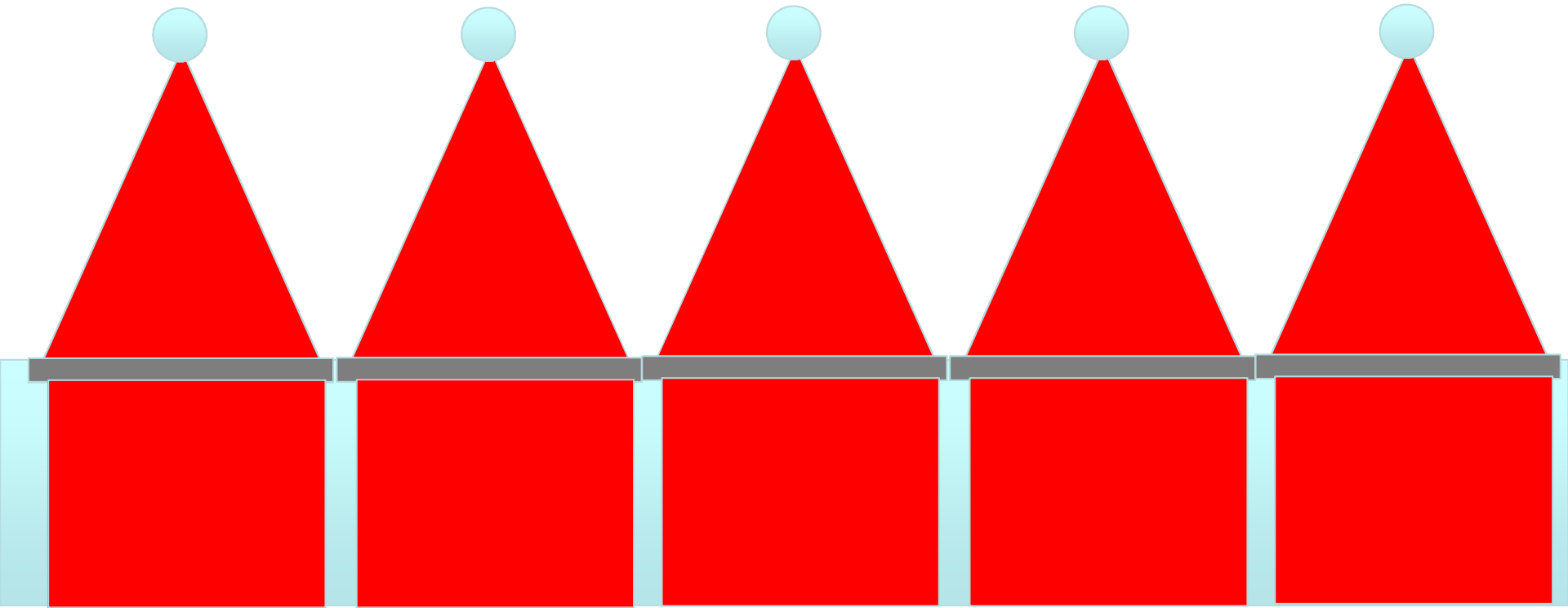
We must hold the atom in space without perturbing the coherence



# What does a useful qubit require?

Lots of them

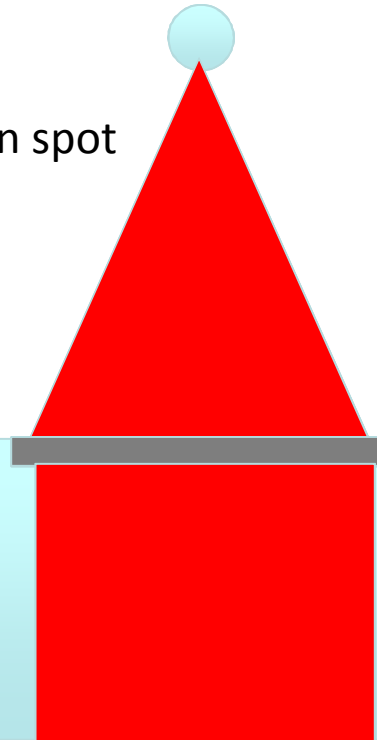
Need a large number  
to make a useful  
computer



# How can we do this?

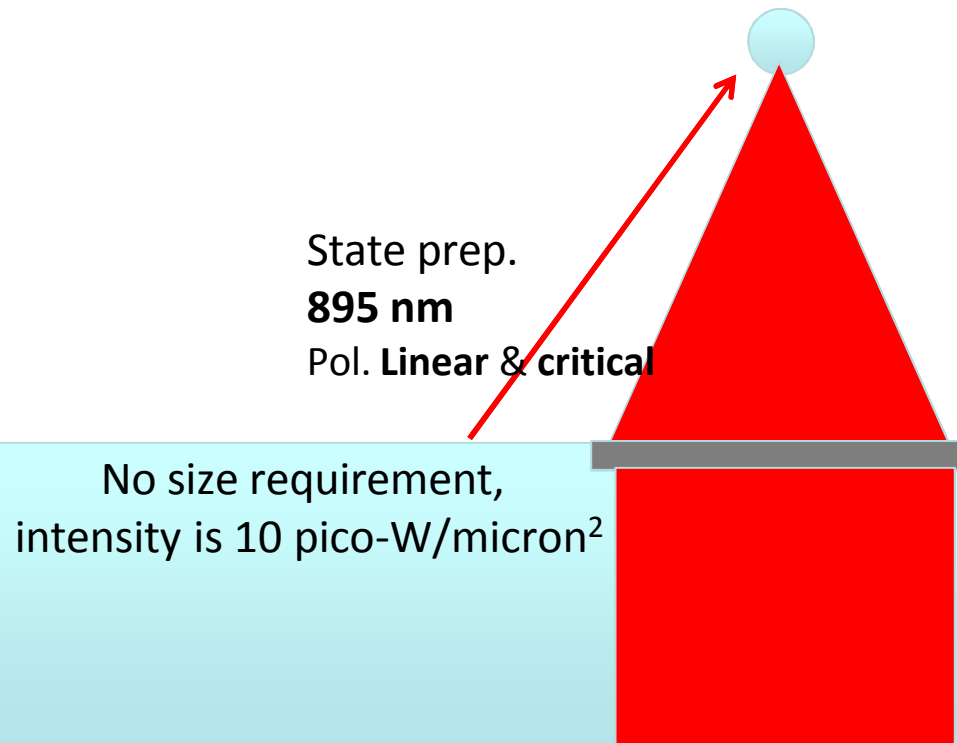
The sequence for  
each atom

Trap an atom:  
Can hold for 15 s  
**938 nm; pol. Linear**  
5 milli-W, 1.0 to 2.0  $r_{1/e^2}$ , micron spot



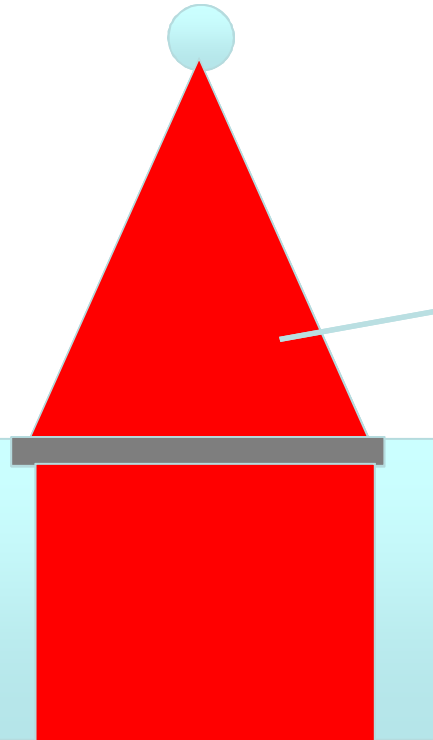
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each atom



Adjust trap power of each  
qubit to program  $\sigma_z$   
This will always be a  
decrease in power

# How can we do this?

The sequence for  
each atom

J (Rydberg interaction): **shared**  
**318 nm**

Pol. **Linear**

Size not critical. Propagation direction  
must be the same at each atom.

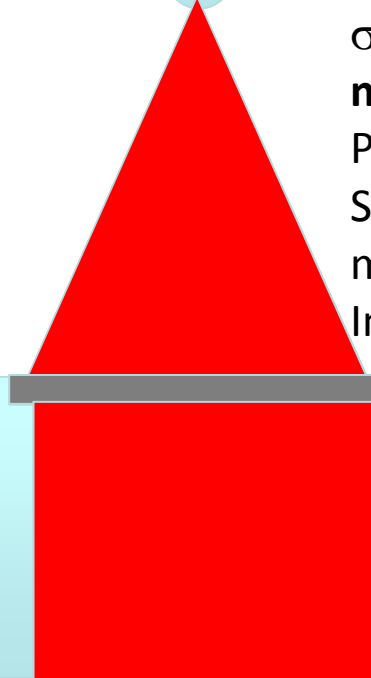
Intensity is 1.0 milli-W/micron<sup>2</sup>



$\sigma_x$ : **Shared** among atoms,  
**many choices**: 852 nm, 895 nm, 459 nm  
Pol. **Circular**

Size not critical. Propagation direction  
must be the same at each atom.

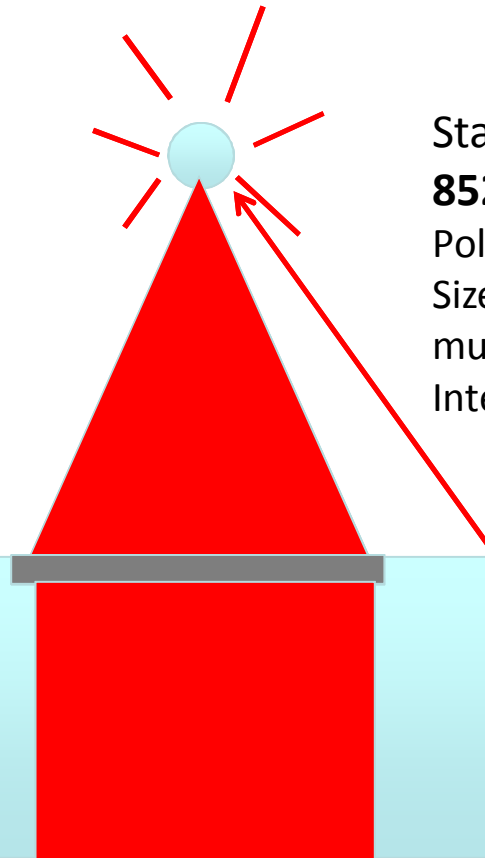
Intensity is 0.1 micro-W/micron<sup>2</sup>



# How can we do this?

The sequence for  
each atom

Collect  $\sim 3$  photons



State readout

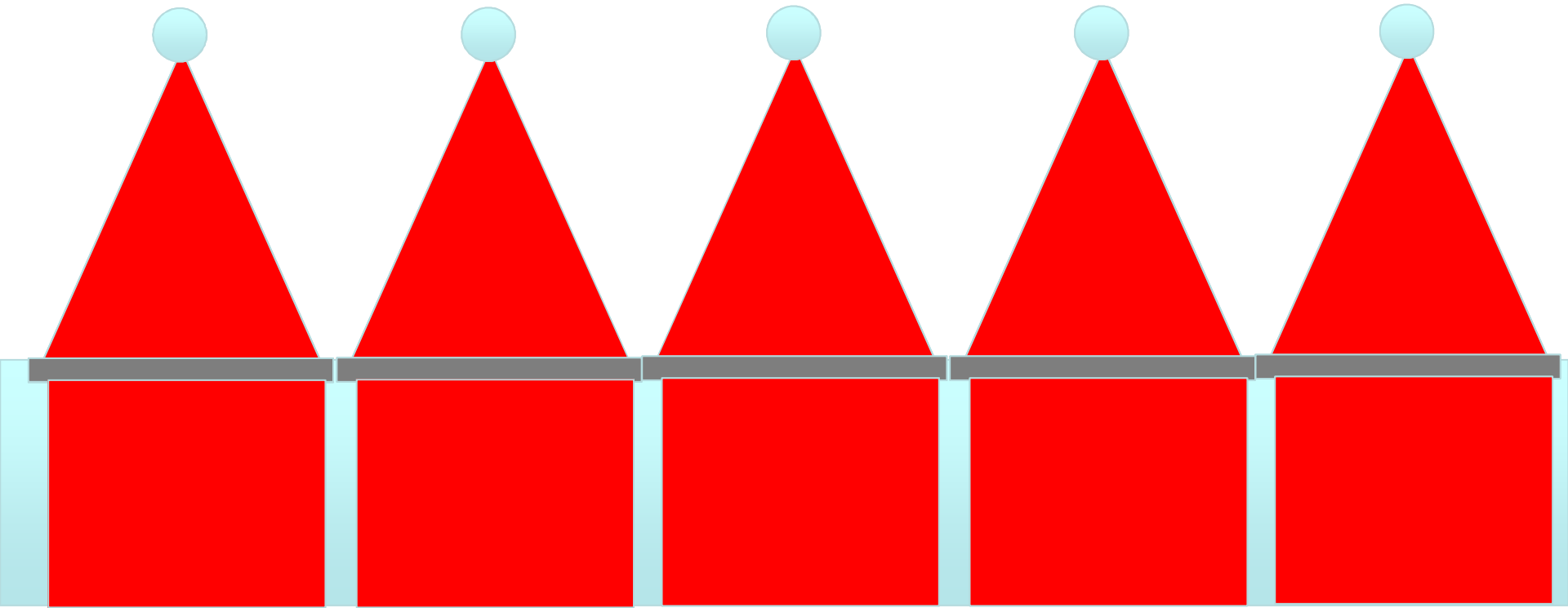
**852 nm**

Pol. **Circular**

Size not critical. Propagation direction  
must be the same at each atom.

Intensity is 10 pico-W/micron<sup>2</sup>

# Just remember we have a bunch





# Optical Tasks

A DOE is an encoded phase plate for each point in x and y for an on-axis lens:

Priority	Task	Impact	Wavelength (nm)	Polarization	Power (nW)	Spot Size (microns)	Irradiance (nW/micron <sup>2</sup> )
1	Trap	holds for ~15sec, posn important	938	linear	5000	2-4	300 - 1300
6	State Prep	no size rqmt => flood, orientation important	895	linear			0.01
1'	$\sigma_z$	Adjust (decrease) trap power to set	938	linear			
2	J	Rydberg, <b>k</b> same direction for all atoms	318	linear		30	1000
4	$\sigma_x$	<b>k</b> same direction for all atoms	852 or 895 or 459	circular			100
5	Readout		852	circular			0.01
3	Collection	efficiency impacts speed => <b>hi NA</b>	852				

# Controlling Spot Size and Spacing for Traps

## Atomic layout necessary

1. spot size ~ 2-4 microns
2. ~ 10 micron +/- 1micron

Individual trapping lens speed ( $F^\#$ ) determined by required spot size:

$$D_{trap\ spot\ diameter} \sim 2.44 \lambda F^\# = 2.44 \lambda \left( \frac{f}{D_{lens}} \right)$$

$\Rightarrow$  For trap size of 2-4 microns at  $\lambda = 938\text{nm}$ , then  $F^\# = 0.9-1.7$

For periodic atomic spacing of  $D_{lens} = 10$  microns  $\Rightarrow$

**$9 \leq f \leq 17$  microns** (close proximity to dielectric DOE substrate)

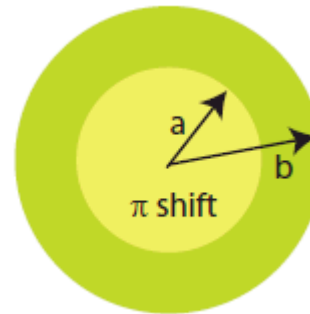
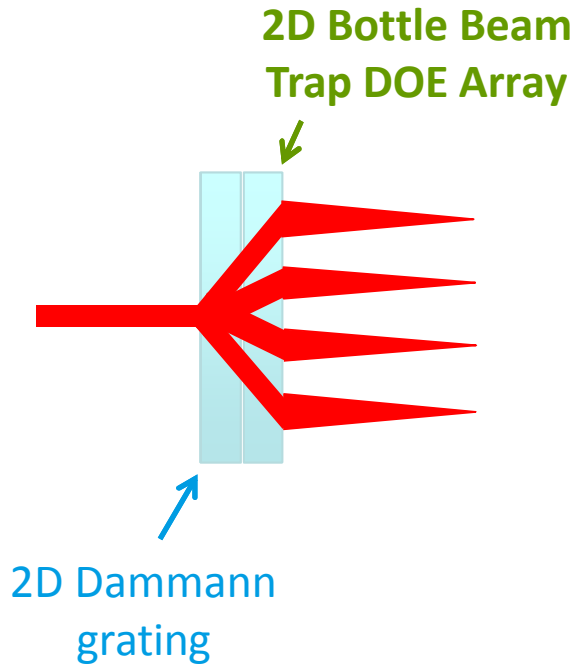
# Annular Coaxial Trap with Inner Rydberg Sandia National Laboratories

**Setting priorities based upon irradiance, spot size, and efficiency:**

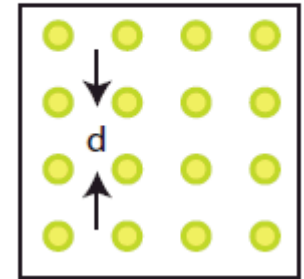
1. Annular, coaxial trap for power (area) and small spot size
2. Inner Rydberg/Collection for efficiency (larger DOE features)

# Saffman 4X4 DOE Array

# Saffman 4X4 DOE Design



16 BBL with center  
to center spacing  $d$



# How to design the DOEs in the 4X4?

A DOE is an encoded phase plate for each point in x and y for an on-axis lens:

$$\varphi(x, y) = m(a_1 r^2 + a_2 r^4 + a_3 r^6 + a_4 r^8 \dots)$$

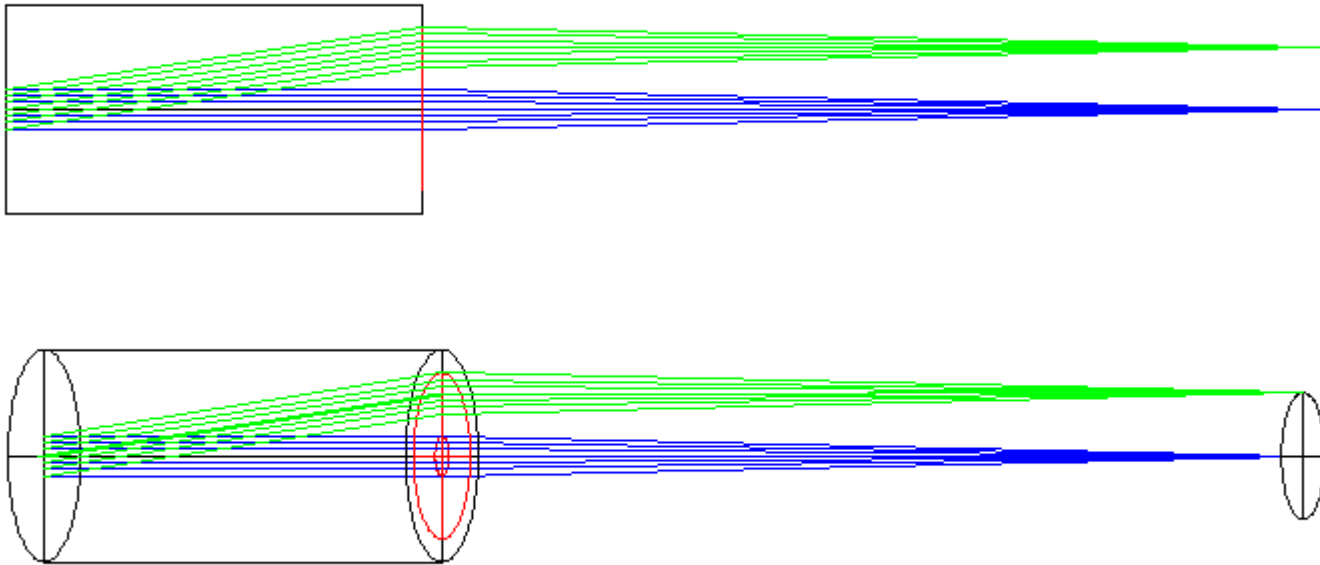
For the off-axis lens, we add a linear phase term (like a wedge):

$$\varphi(x, y) = m(c_1 y + a_1 r^2 + a_2 r^4 + a_3 r^6 + a_4 r^8 \dots)$$

Note: there are three different lens designs in the 4X4 array, with various rotations

- 1) Identify the optimal coefficients for the phase terms
- 2) Map these phase contours to depth contours for a etch process in fused silica
- 3) Impart the pi phase shift aperture for the desired bottle beam intensity pattern
- 4) Place these DOEs on the substrate so that they match positions for the Dammann grating incident beams

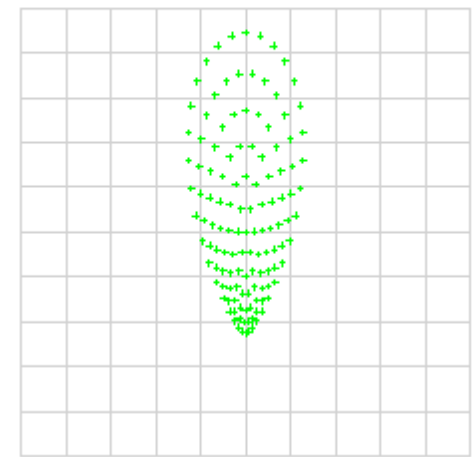
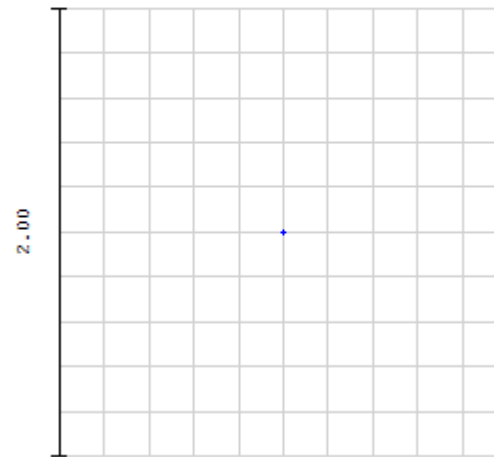
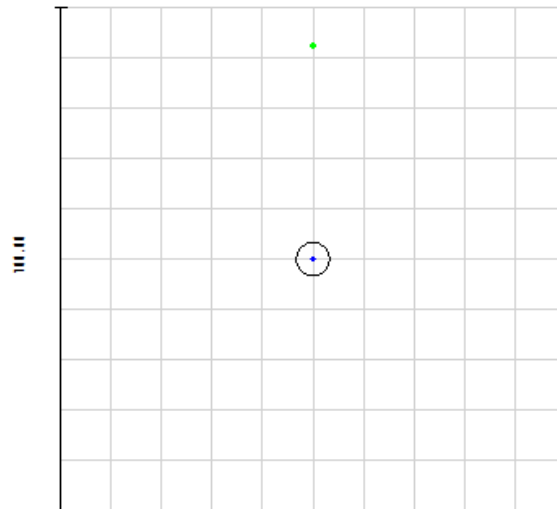
# On-axis DOE and Off-axis DOE Performance



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Config 1

Config 2



Surface: TMA

TMA: 0.000, 0.000 mm

## Spot Diagram

4/9/2013 Units are  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Field : 1  
RMS radius : 210.428  
GEO radius : 298.394  
Scale bar : 700

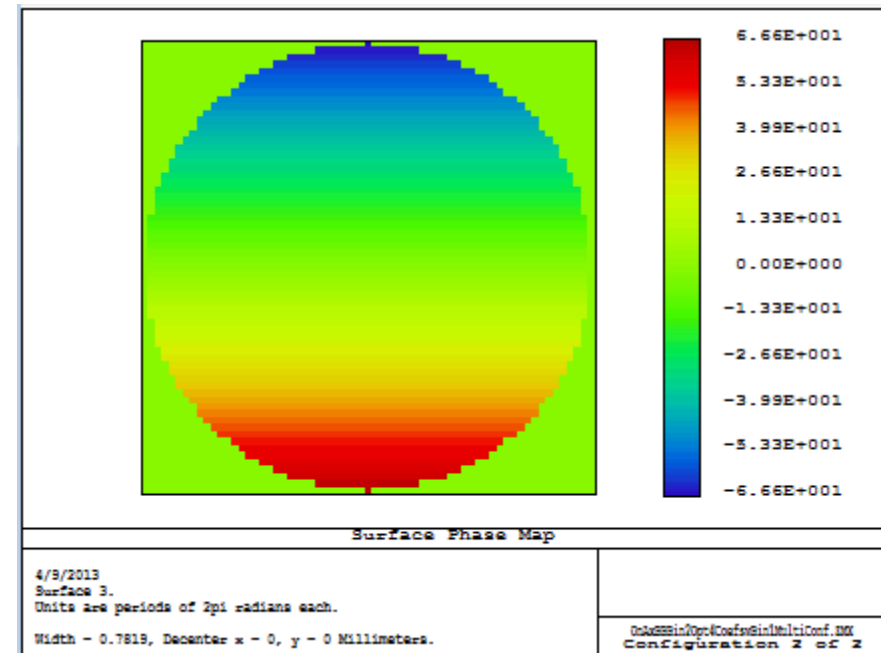
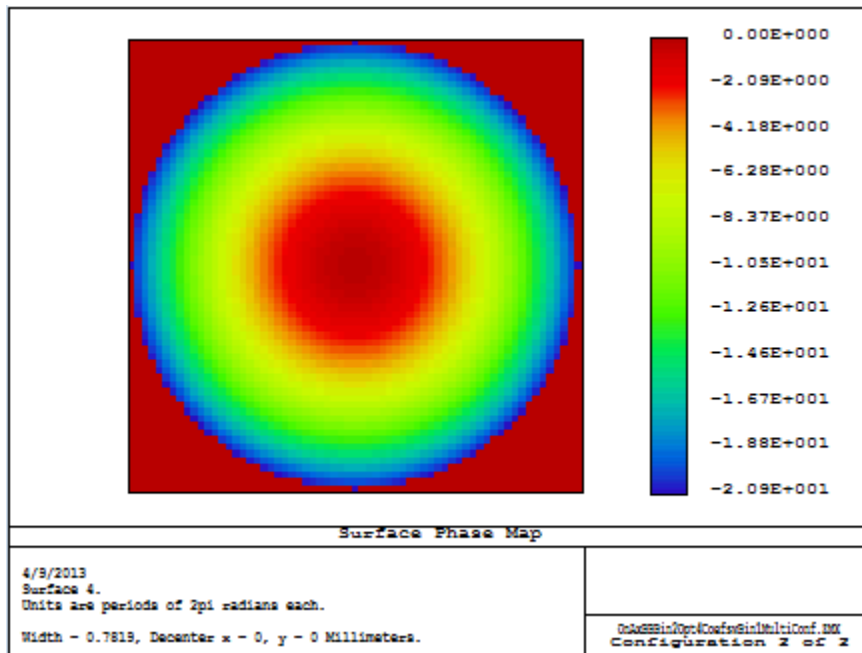
Airy Radius: 23.17  $\mu\text{m}$

Reference : Chief Ray

OnAxBBBin2Opt4CoefswBin1MultiConf.EMX  
Configuration: All 2



# Separate Phase Plots for an Off-Axis DOE



# Notables

- **Fabricated and delivered bottle beam trap DOE to Saffman lab**
- **Utilized in experiment and paper submitted soon:**

V. V. Ivanov, J. A. Isaacs, M. Saffman, S.A. Kemme, A.R. Ellis, G.R. Brady, J.R. Wendt, G. Biederman, S. Samora, "Atom trapping in a bottle beam created by a diffractive optical element," submitted to App. Phys. Lett. B, 2013.

- **Fabricated large NA collection DOE (in addition to trapping DOEs)**
- **Quantified scaling issues that impact packaging and performance**
- **Designed 4X4 DOE bottle beam array**
- **Presented and published for SPIE Photonics West:**
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