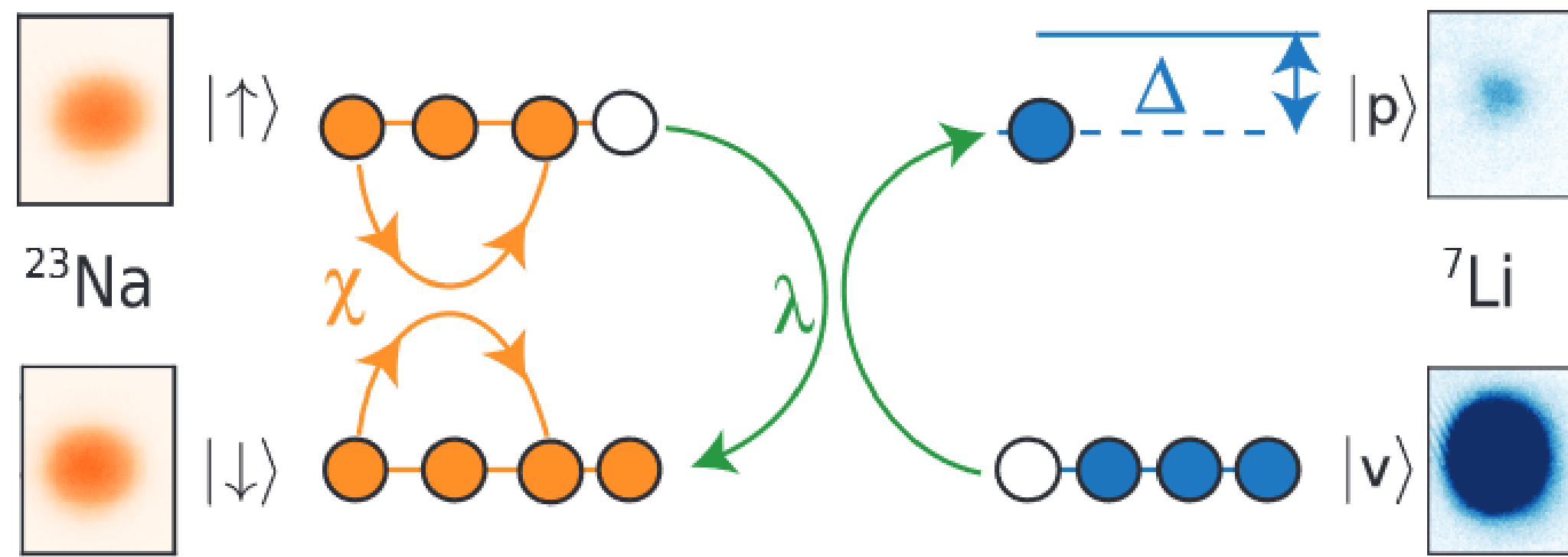


## Why quantum mixtures?

### Dynamical gauge fields<sup>[1]</sup>

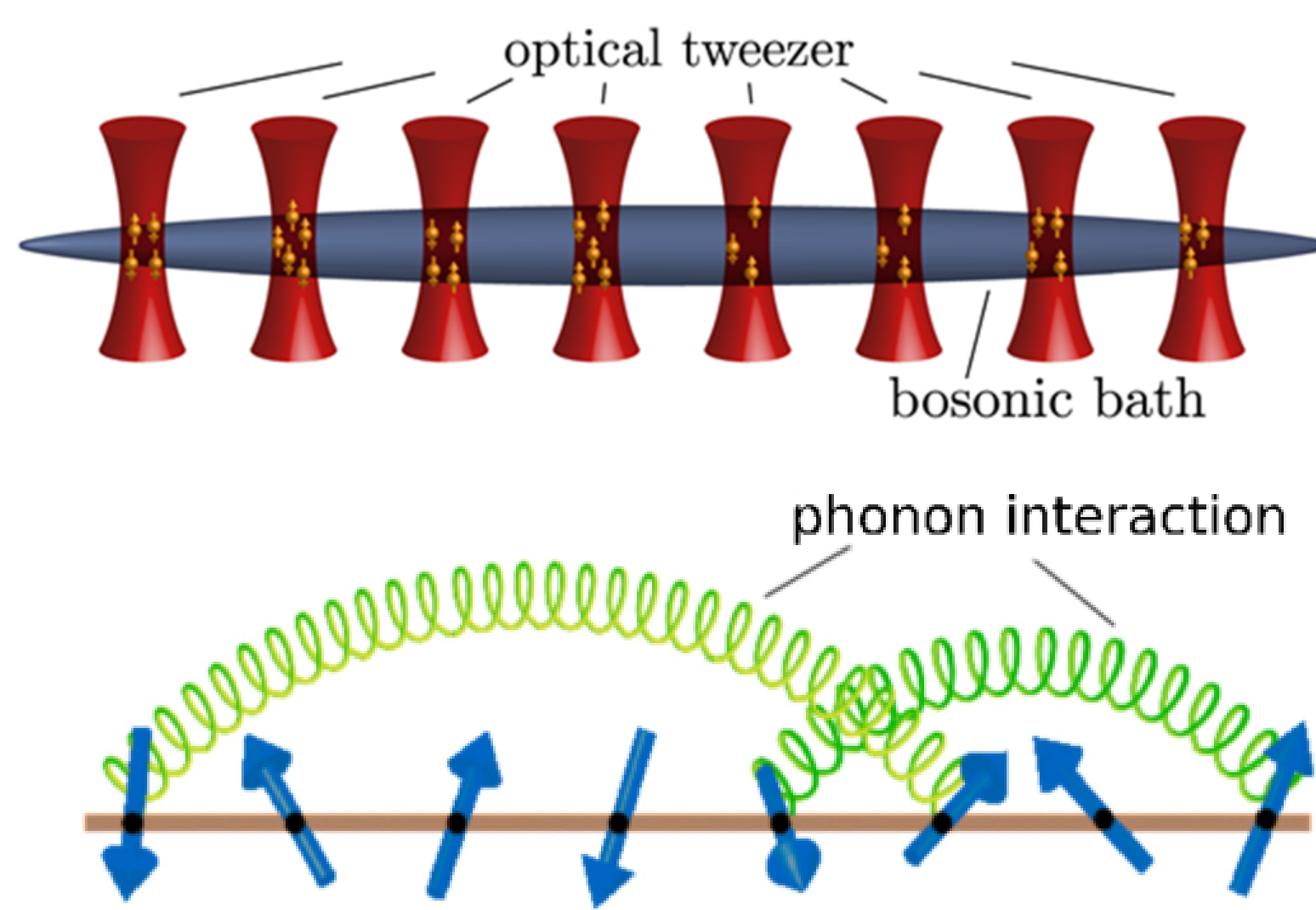
- Ingredients : gauge field (Na) and matter field (Li).
- Local U(1) symmetric coupling via **spin changing collisions**.

$$\hat{H}_{mixture} = \chi \hat{L}_z^2 + \frac{\Delta}{2} (\hat{b}_p^\dagger \hat{b}_p - \hat{b}_v^\dagger \hat{b}_v) + \lambda (\hat{b}_p^\dagger \hat{L}_- \hat{b}_v + \hat{b}_v^\dagger \hat{L}_+ \hat{b}_p)$$



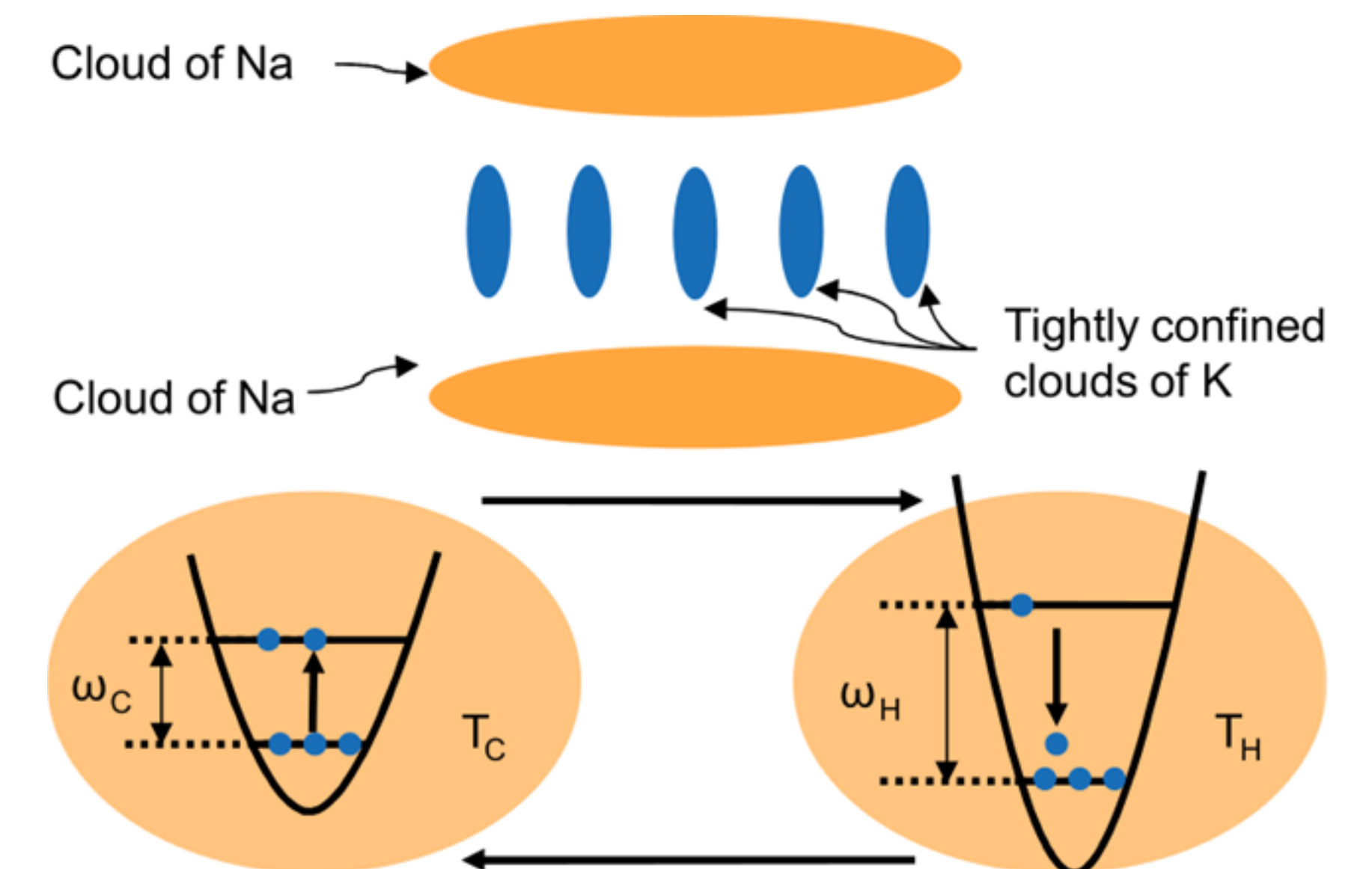
### Quantum Computation<sup>[2]</sup>

- Qudits: collective spin of K atoms in tweezers.
- Universal gate set: qudit entanglement via phononic excitations (bath of Na atoms).



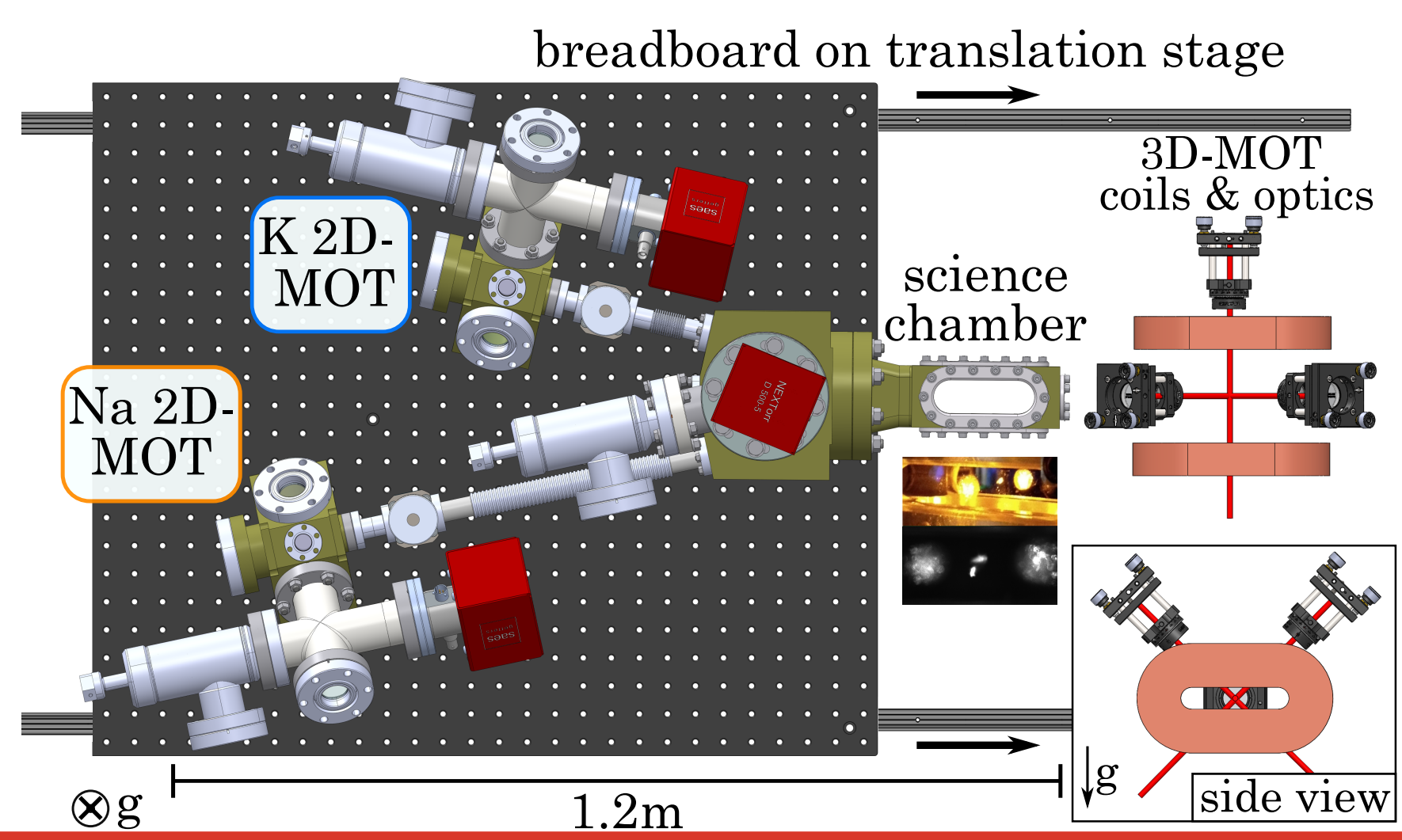
### Quantum Thermodynamics<sup>[3]</sup>

- Goal: realizing the quantized Otto cycle.
- Implementation: single K atoms (working medium) transferred between two (hot and cold) baths of Na atoms.



## Experiment setup

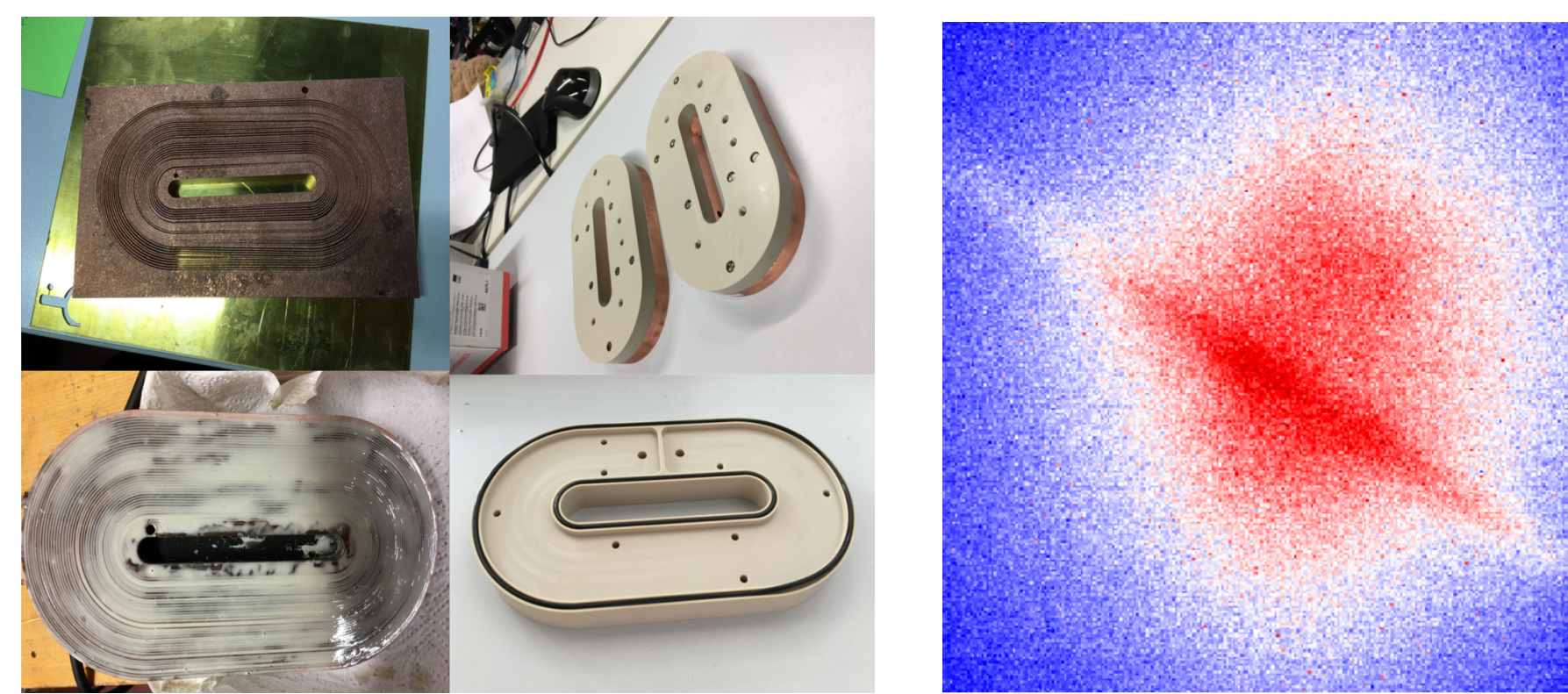
Why Na-K? : Bosonic and fermionic K isotopes, easier tunability of scattering length<sup>[4-5]</sup> and faster spin dynamics.



## Current work

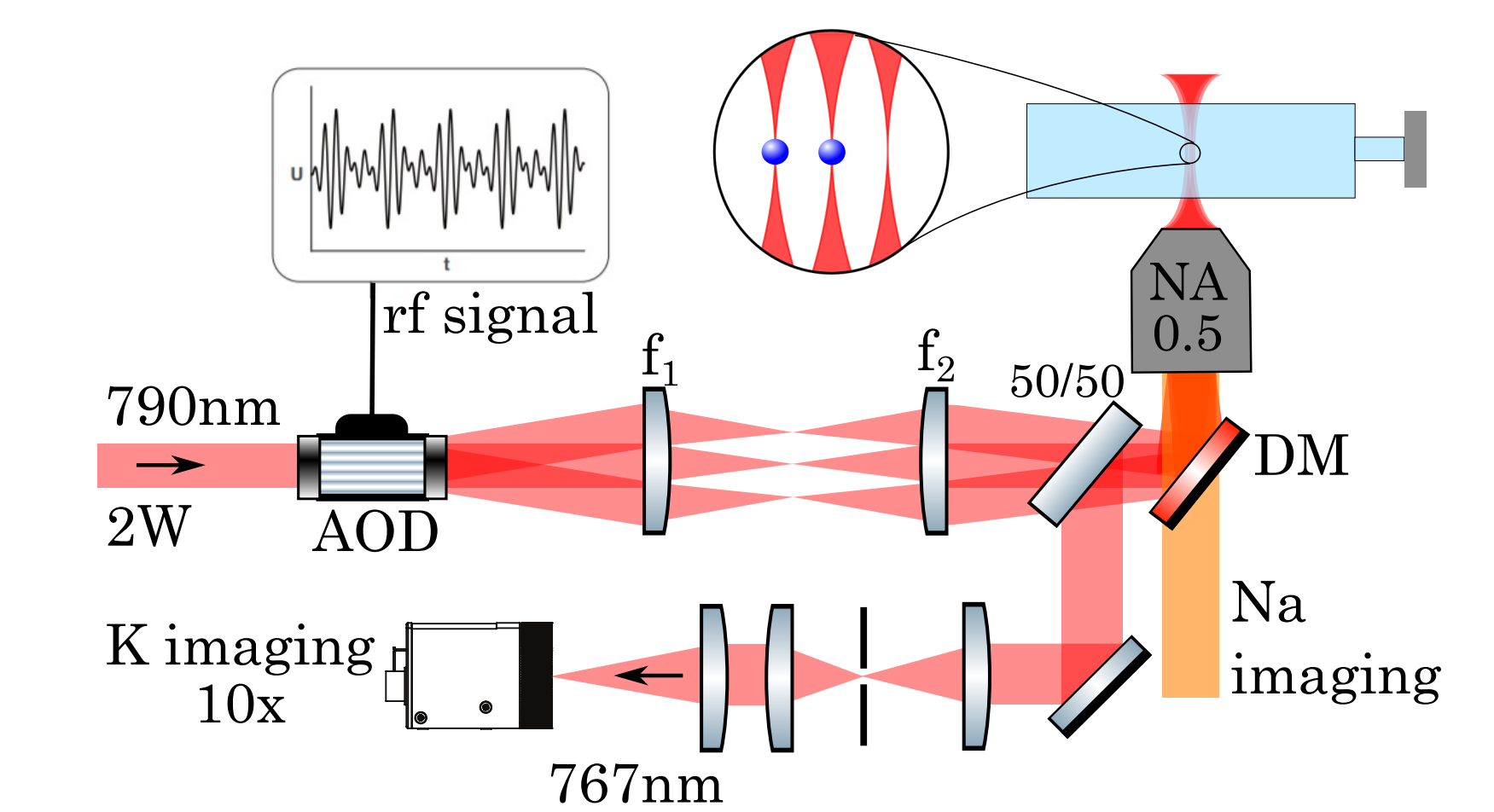
### Magnetic trap and Dipole trap

- Bulk-machined, water-cooled electromagnets<sup>[6]</sup>. Microwave evaporation of Na.
- Dipole trap laser: 100W at 1070nm.



### Optical tweezers

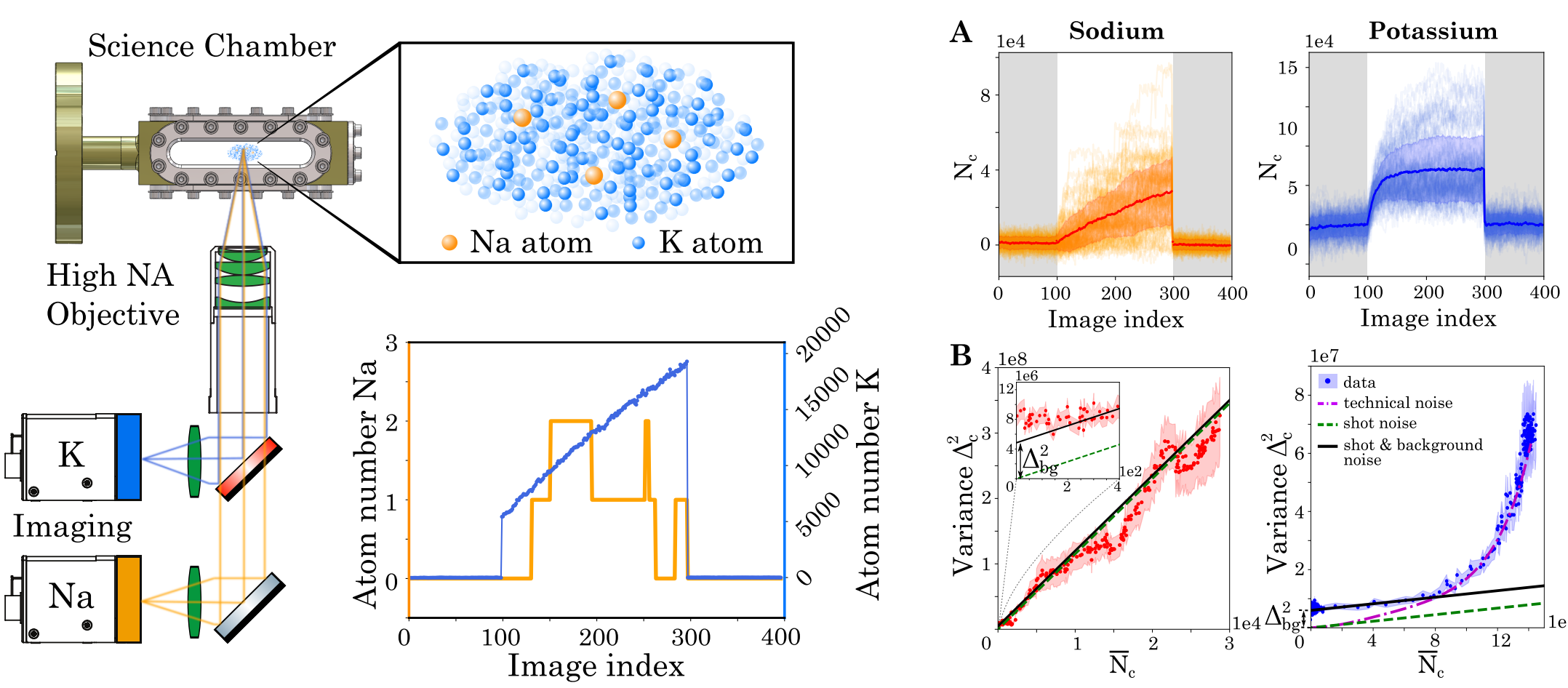
- Goal: defect-free tweezer array of sympathetically cooled K-atoms<sup>[7]</sup>.



## Recent study : stochastic atom number dynamics in a MOT<sup>[8]</sup>

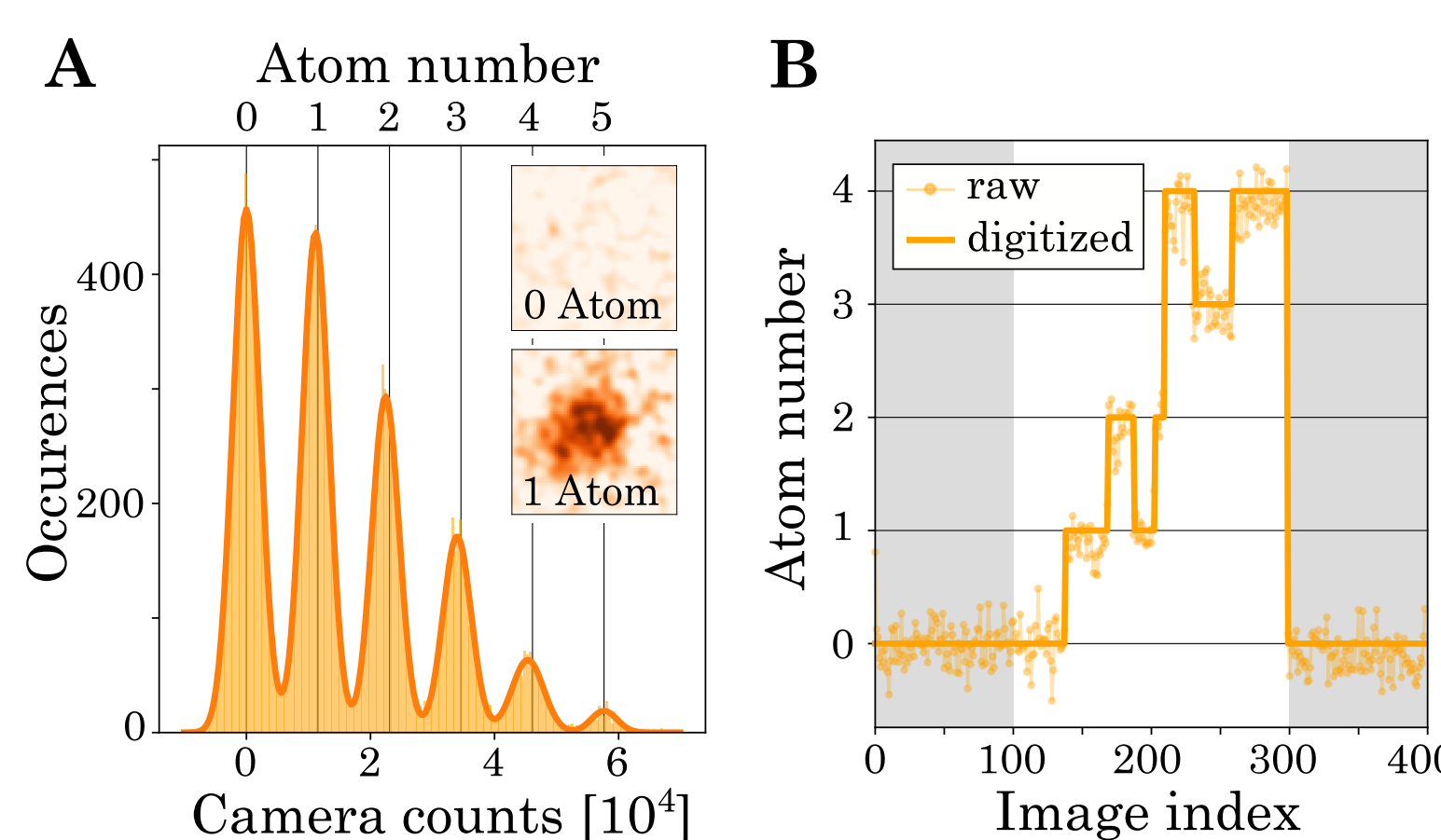
### Atom Number Dynamics

- Observe atom number evolution of both species with fluorescence imaging.
- Characterization of atom number fluctuations using ensemble averaging.



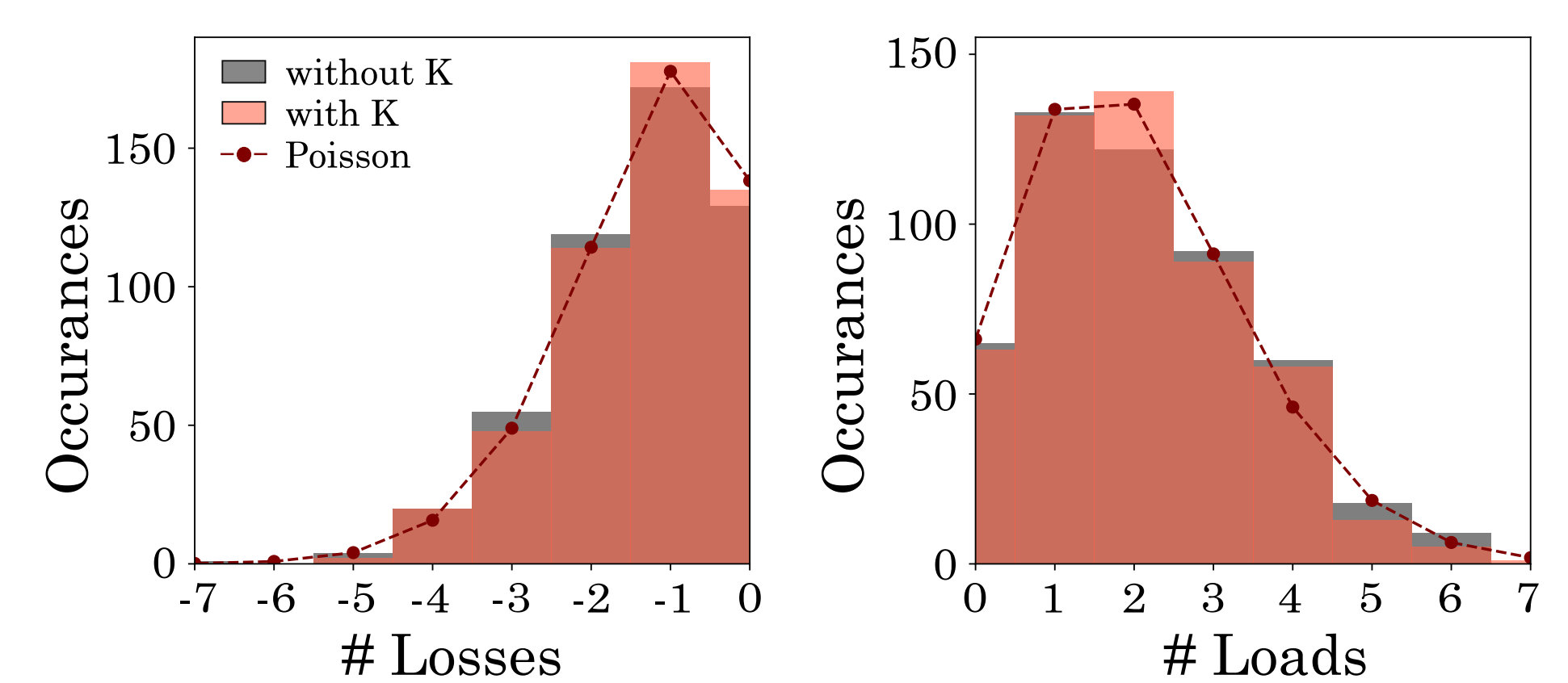
### Single atom counting

- Single atom counting resolution up to 10 Na atoms.
- Full counting statistics helps to characterize load and loss dynamics.



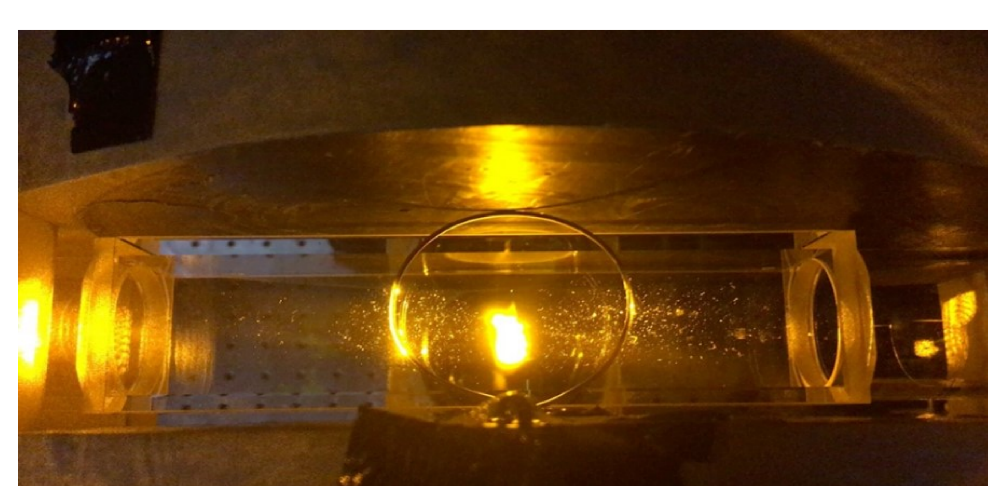
### Interspecies interaction??

- A few Na atoms immersed into a large cloud of K atoms.
- No effect observed on the load and loss statistics of the sodium atom counts.

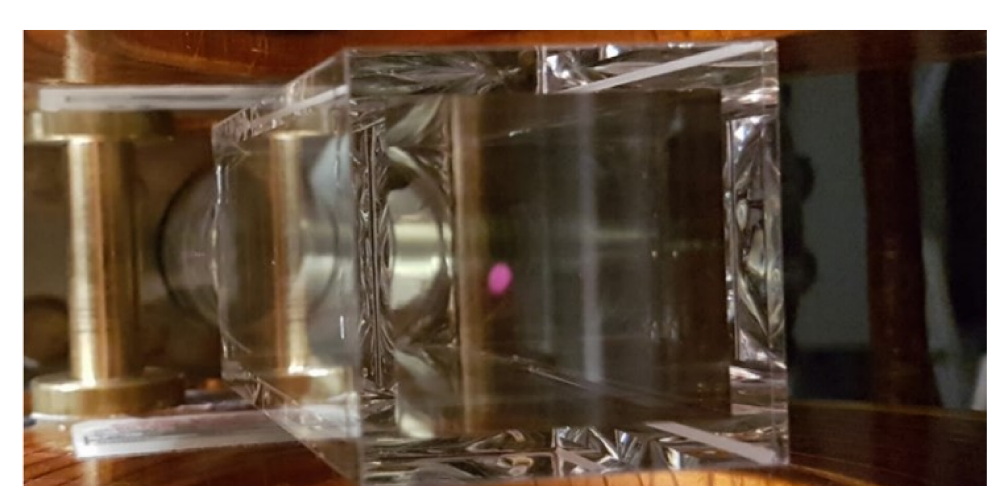


## Outlook

- Working towards achieving Na BEC in optical dipole trap and single K atoms in tweezers.
- Precise non-demolition technique will be used for temperature measurements<sup>[9]</sup>.
- Remote execution of quantum circuits on coherent spins<sup>[2]</sup>.



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