MAGIS-100 Detection R&D



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Overview

- Phase shear readout
 - Extract interferometer phase by looking at spatial fringes across atom cloud
- Are there better data analysis methods to extract the phase from images of the cloud?
- Are there detection hardware improvements that could lower the imaging noise?



Phase Shear Readout



-Tilt retro-reflection mirror for final pulse to put horizontal fringes on interferometer output ports

-Scans a fringe in one shot: single shot phase readout

A. Sugarbaker *et al.,* PRL 2013 H. Müntinga *et al.,* PRL 2013



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Phase Extraction

- Fit fringes for phase extraction (have also tried Fourier transform methods with similar performance)
 - A difficulty is fully separating out fringes from cloud envelope effects

$$G_i(x,y)(1+C_i\cos(2\pi f x + \Phi_i))/2$$



 Could more sophisticated fitting or data analysis methods work better? Machine learning?

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Improving Detection Signal to Noise

- Compromise between imaging duration and contrast
 - Signal to noise improved for longer imaging time, but fringes start to get blurred out
 - Electronic noise of CCD cameras is a limit

- Lower noise detection technology could help
 - Ariel Schwartzman at SLAC had some ideas about this

