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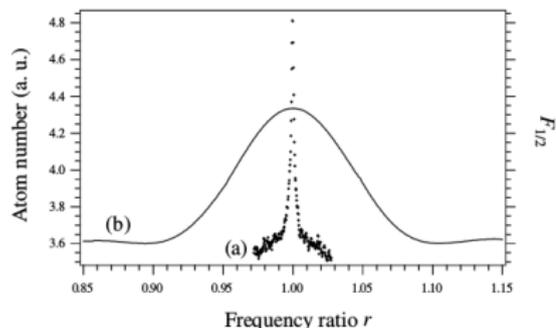


FIG. 1. Below the Fourier limit. (a) Experimental measurement of the zero-velocity atom number,  $p(0)$ , as a function of the ratio  $r = f_2/f_1$  of the two excitation frequencies. Parameters:  $f_1 = 18$  kHz,  $K = 42$ ,  $N_1 = 10$ ,  $\tau = 3 \mu\text{s}$  and in order to avoid pulses overlap we set  $\varphi = \pi$ . Averaging: 100 times. (b)  $F_{1/2}(r)$ , for comparison with the Fourier transform of the kick sequence (amplitude and offset are arbitrary for  $F_{1/2}$ ).

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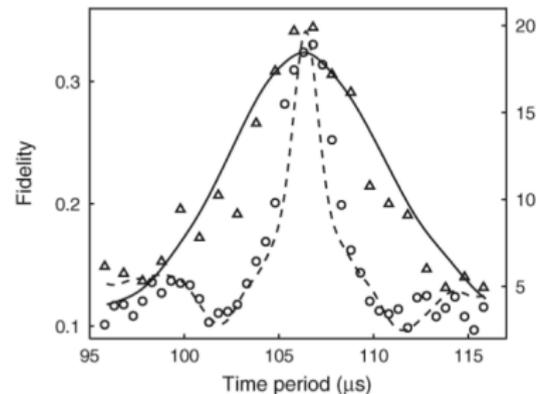


FIG. 1. Experimentally measured fidelity distribution due to five kicks of strength  $\phi_d = 0.8$  followed by a shifted kick of strength  $5\phi_d$ . The mean energy (triangles) of the same five kick rotor is shown for comparison. Numerical simulations of the experiment for a condensate with momentum  $0.06\hbar G$  are also plotted for fidelity (dashed line) and energy (solid line). The amplitude and offset of the s

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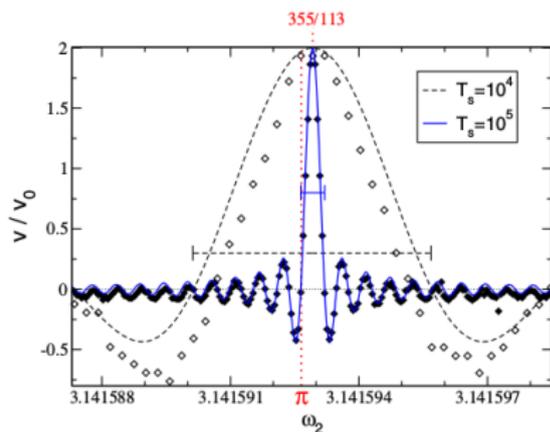


FIG. 1 (color online). Current vs driving frequency  $\omega_2$  for the overdamped system (1) with the driving  $F_2$  and  $F_0 = 5.75$ . Reduced units are defined in the simulations such that  $U_0 = k = \gamma = \omega_1 = 1$ . Empty and filled diamonds correspond to  $T_s = 10^4$  and  $10^5$ , respectively. The lines are the predictions given by (6) with  $q = 113$ ,  $p = 355$ , and  $v_0 = 1/(2q)$ . The horizontal bars depict the frequency width (7), showing a resolution 113 times smaller than that expected from the Fourier width  $2\pi/T_s$ .

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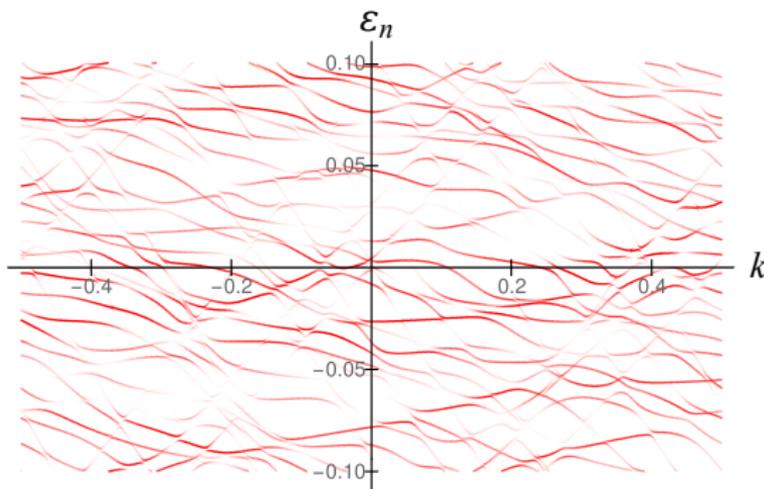
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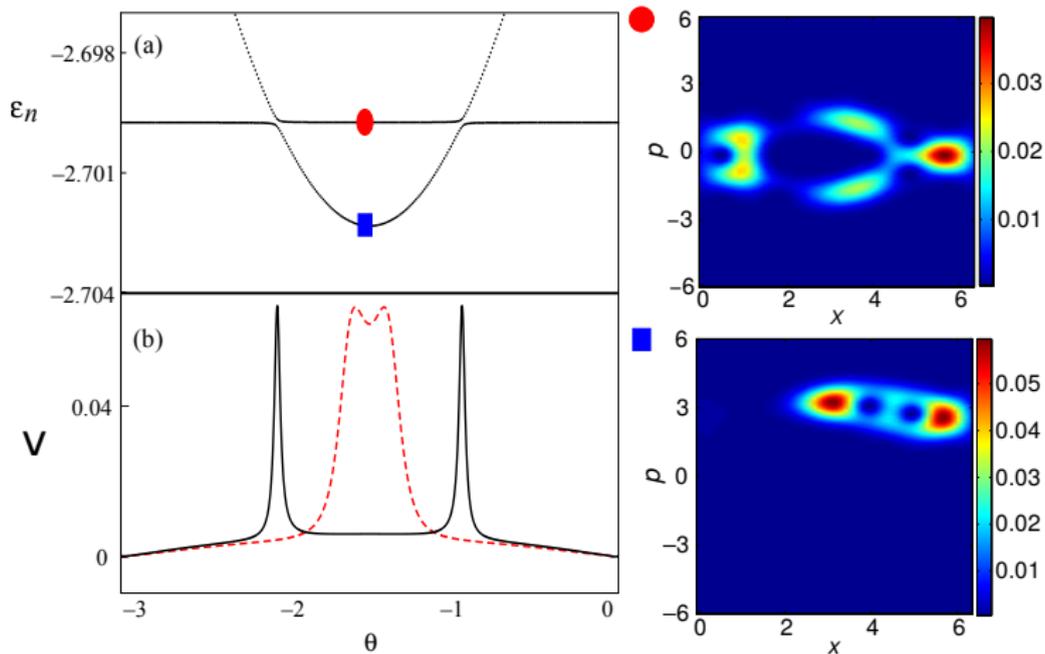


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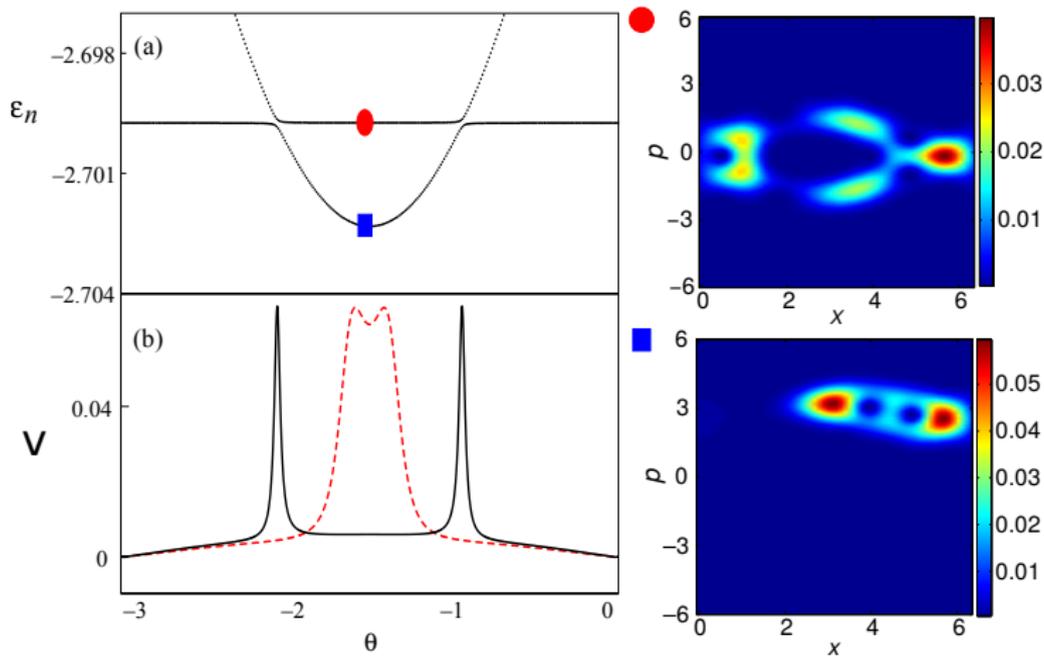
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- Asymptotic approximation: DC & Renzoni, PRE 97, 062139 (2018).

$$v_{T_s} \sim \frac{1}{\Delta\omega_2 T_s} \int_{\theta_0}^{\theta_0 + \Delta\omega_2 T_s} d\tilde{\theta} \sum_{k_0, n} |C_{k_0, n}|^2 v_n(k(\tilde{\theta}), \tilde{\theta}),$$

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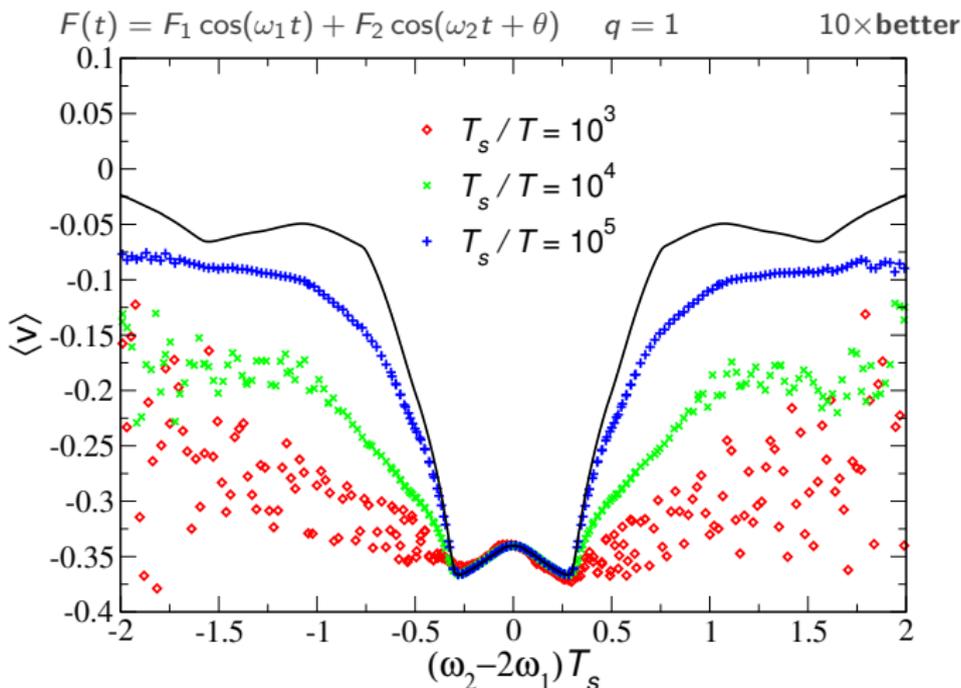
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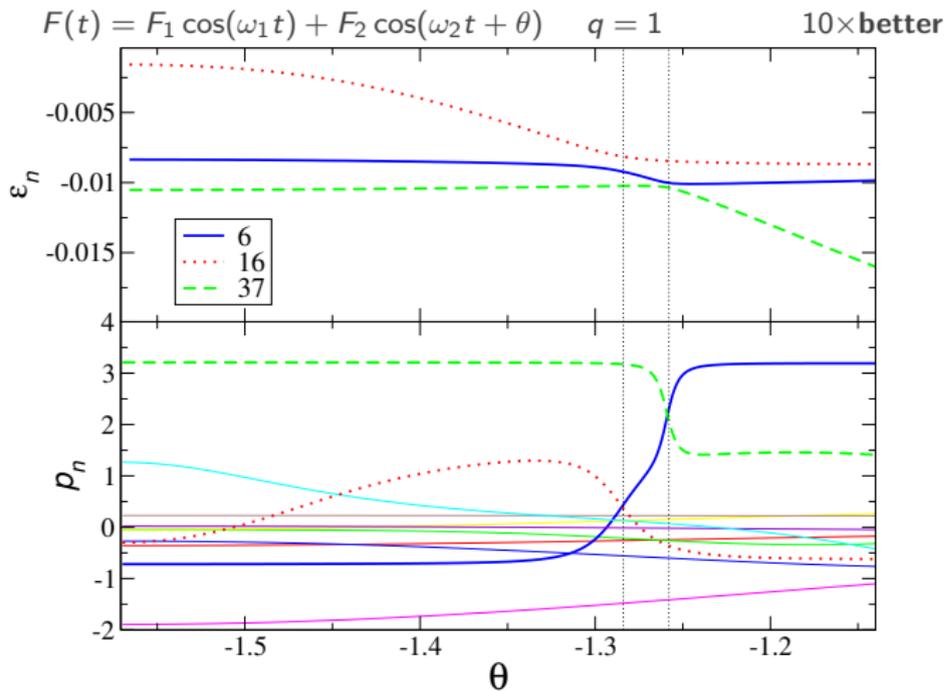
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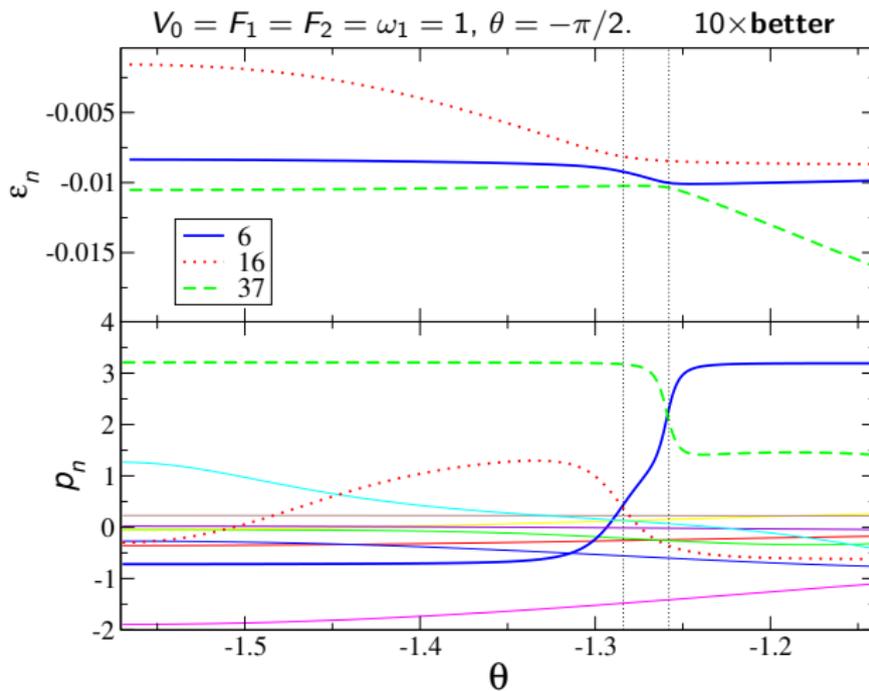
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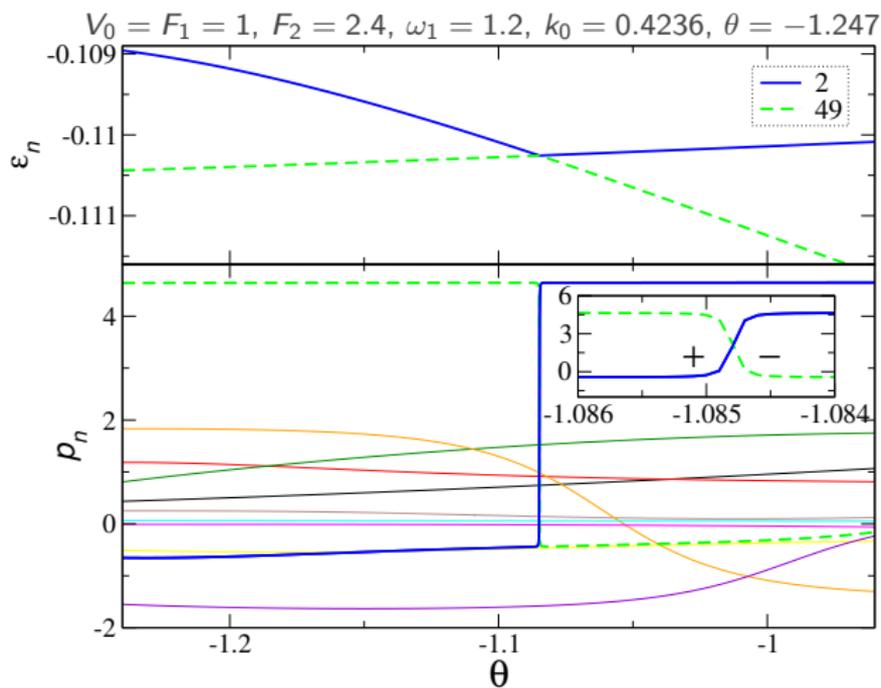


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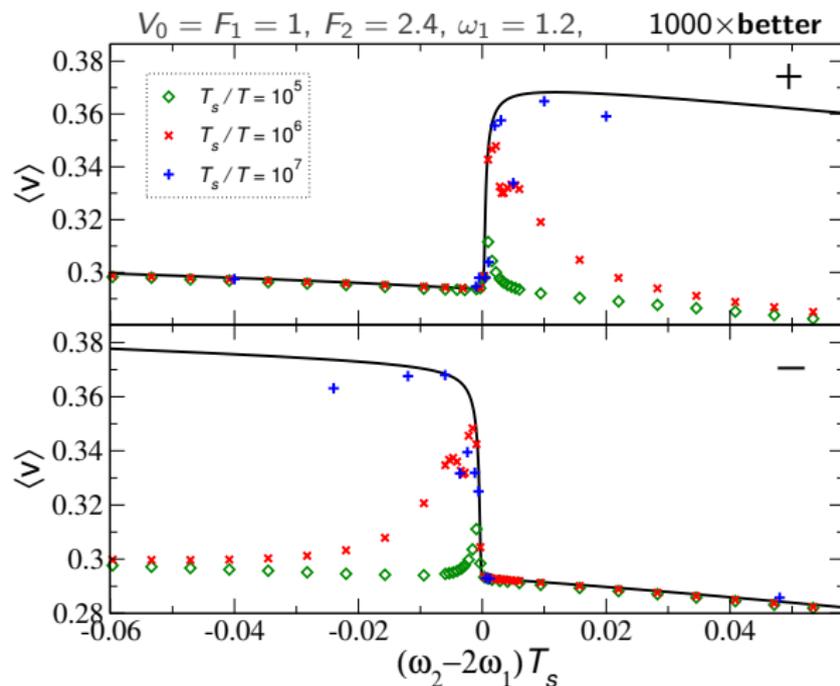
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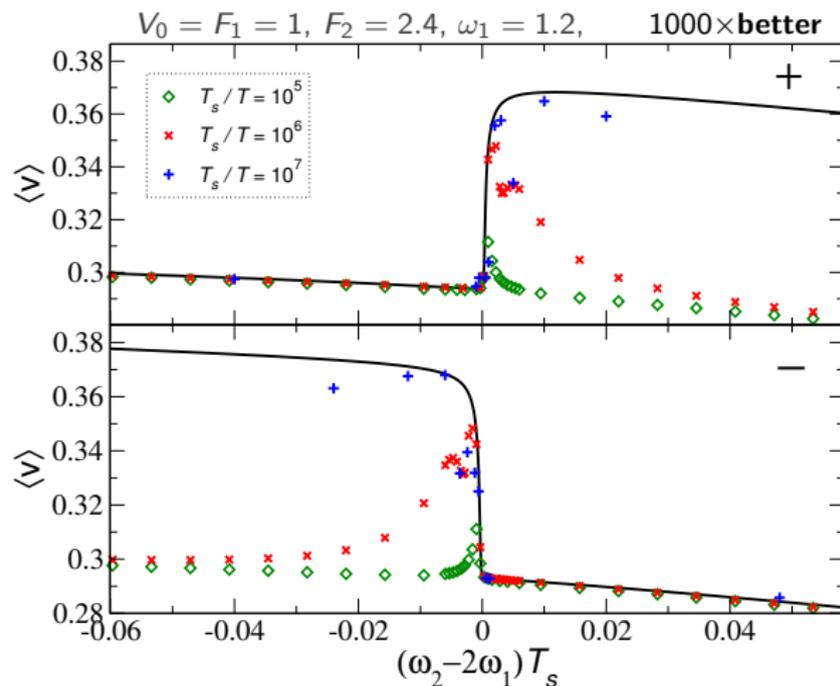


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