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Toward a 2-D magneto-optical trap for polar molecules¹
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LOPY, JUN YE, JILA, University of Colorado, Boulder — The additional structure
that arises from the rotational degree of freedom in diatomic molecules makes dif-
ficult the adaptation of a traditional atomic magneto-optical trap (MOT) for use
with molecules. We describe progress toward development of a 2-D MOT for laser
cooled yttrium monoxide molecules based on a resonant LC baseball coil geometry.

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