

Ring Polarscope Mode Mixing

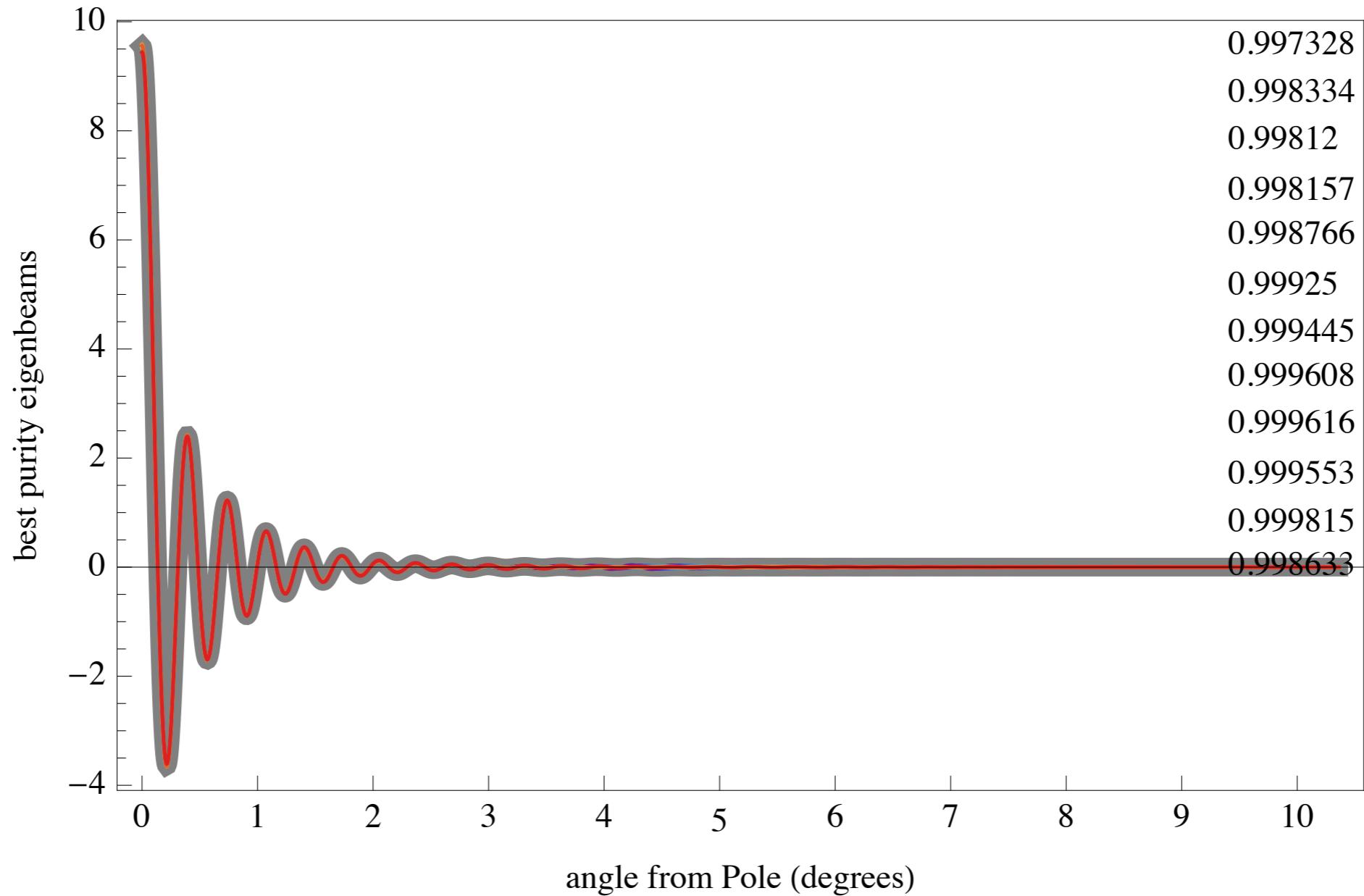
Mode Mixing

- An interferometer with a finite number of elements will only “see” a finite number of “beams” on the sky. Any linear combination of beams we call the “space of beams” (a Hilbert space).
- This space of beams will depends frequency. This frequency dependence of the Hilbert spaces is called “mode mixing” because it mixes frequency dependence and angle dependence.
- To do foreground filtering we would prefer the amount of mode mixing to be minimized.

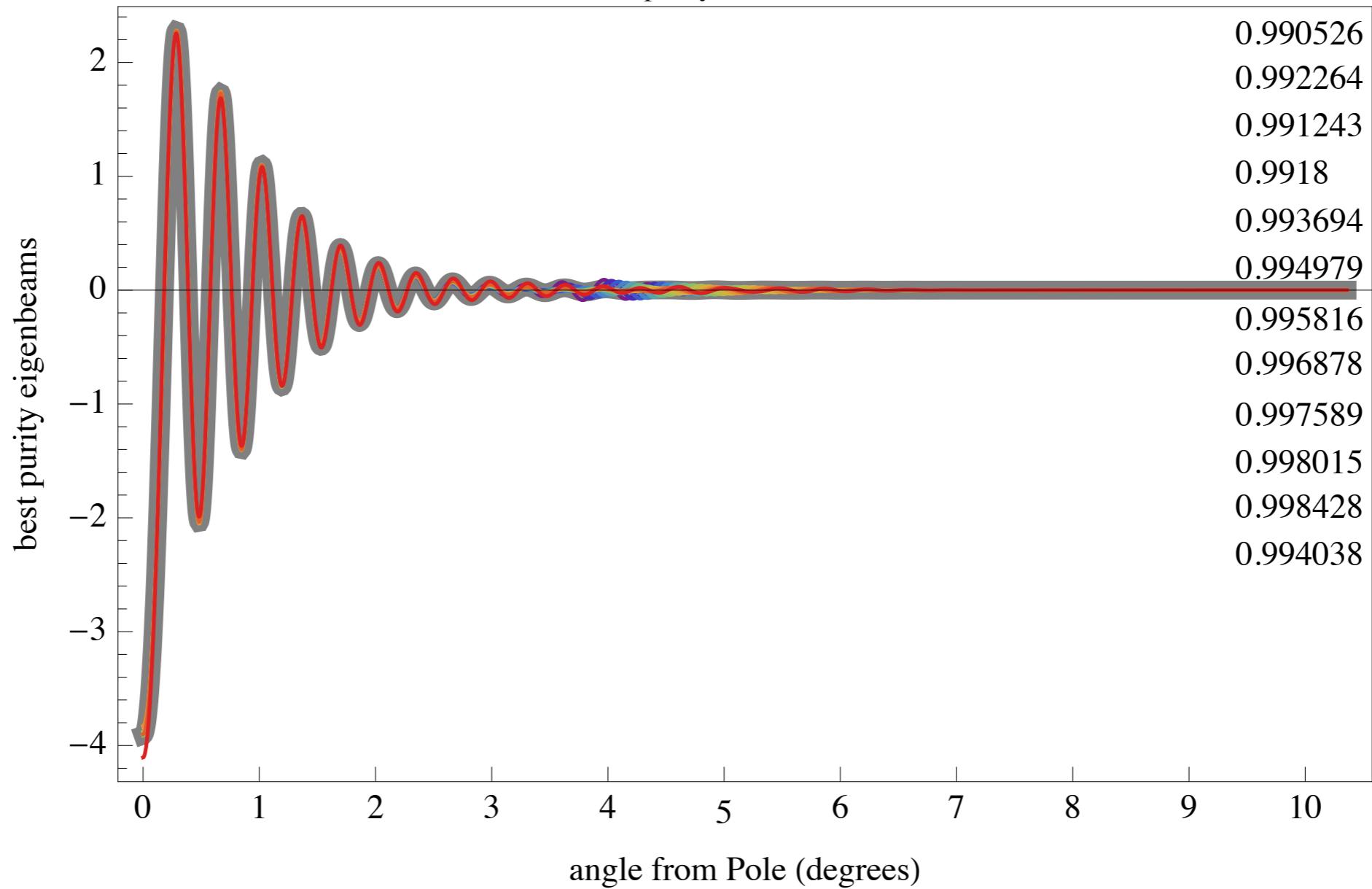
Purity

- To quantify the amount of mode mixing we define the purity, p , which is the overlap integral of two normalized beams. Perfect overlap is purity 1.
- The matrix of frequency averaged overlap integrals will have eigenmodes which we call mean purity eigemodes. The eigenvalues give the mean purity. These eigenvalues is a measure of the amount of mode mixing.
- The eigenmodes can be very close to unity so we define the “purity number” = $-\ln[1-p]$

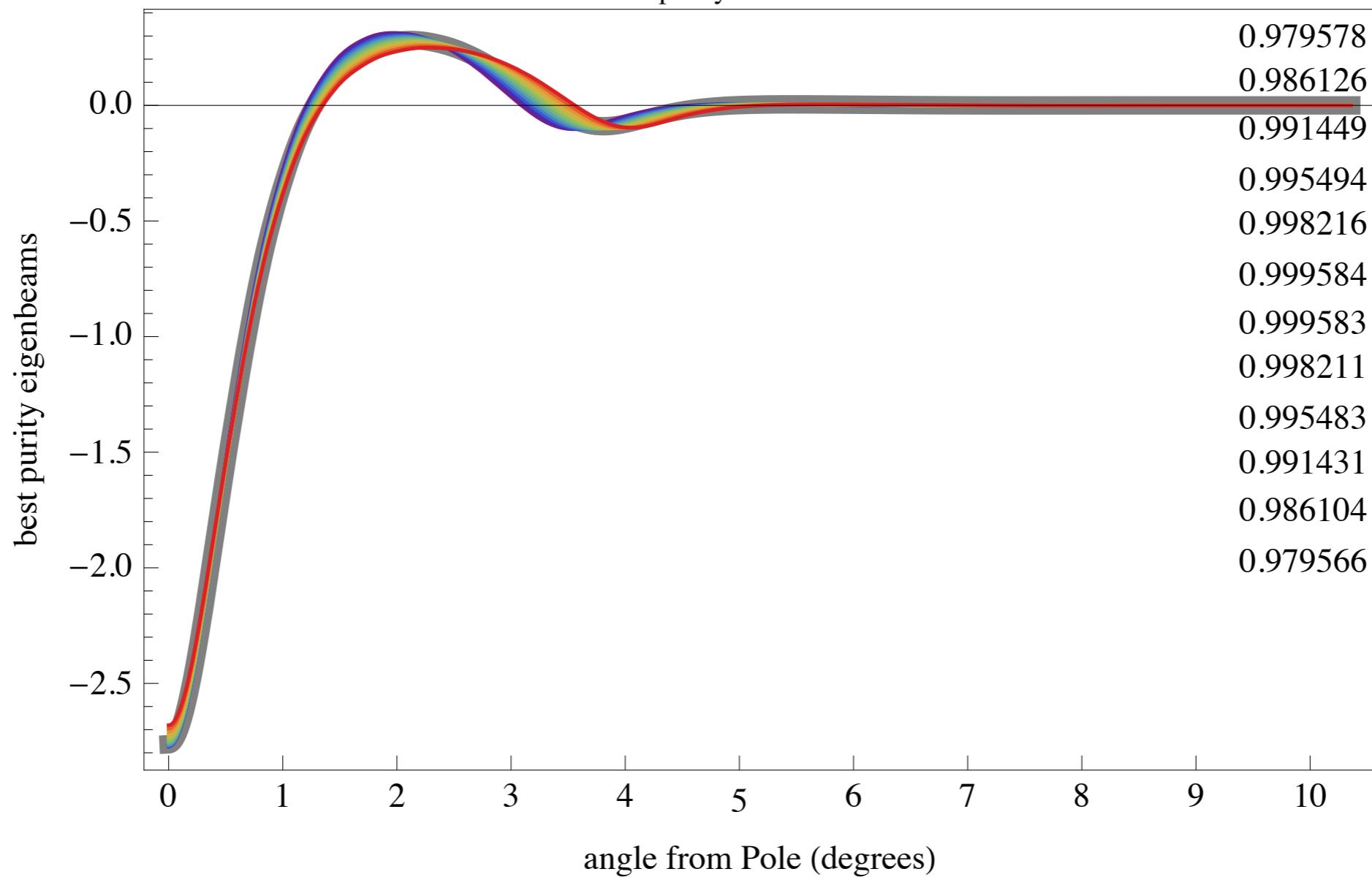
$m = 0$ $\#\text{beams} = 15$ $i_{\text{purity}} = 1$ mean purity = 0.998885



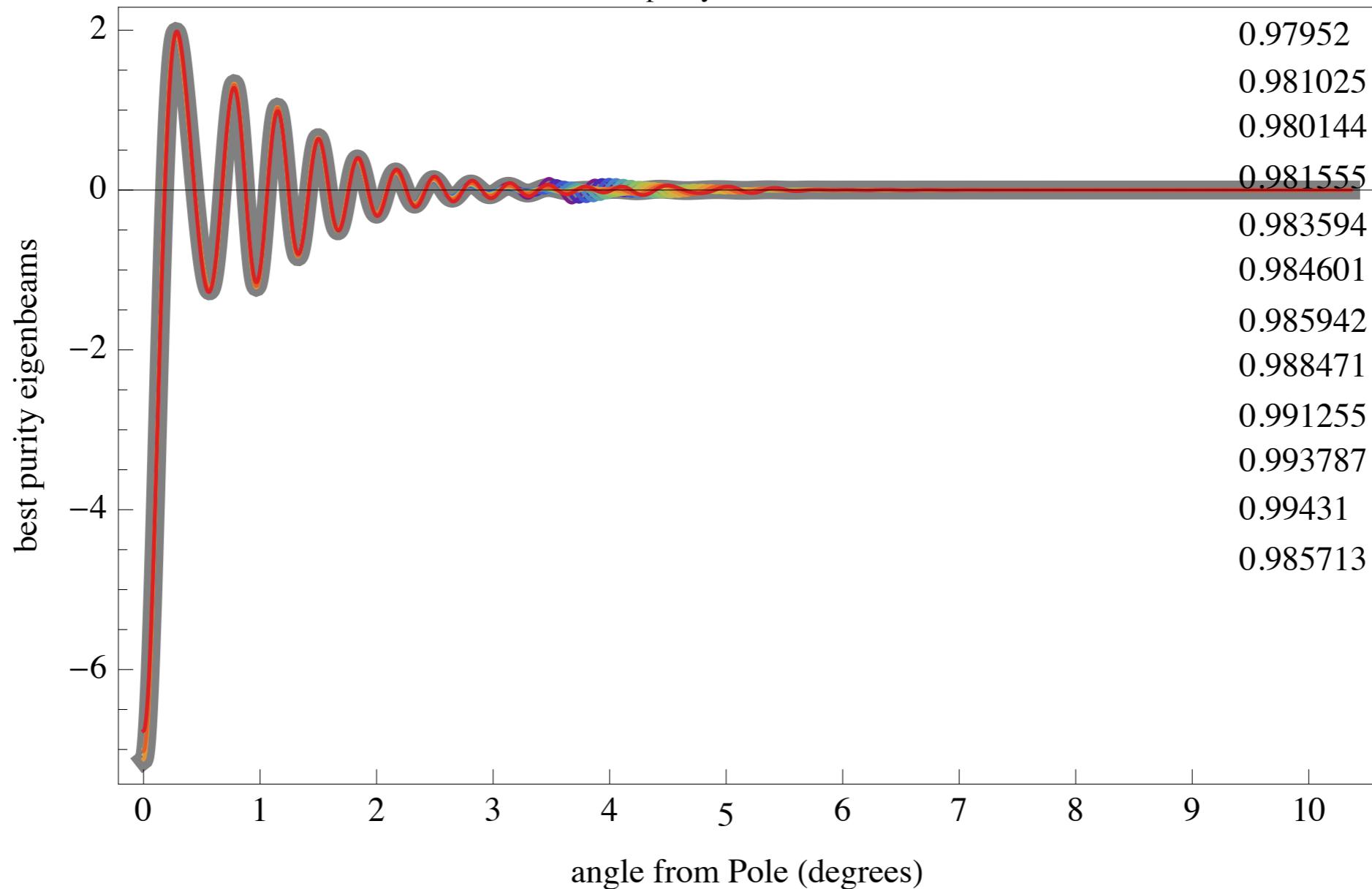
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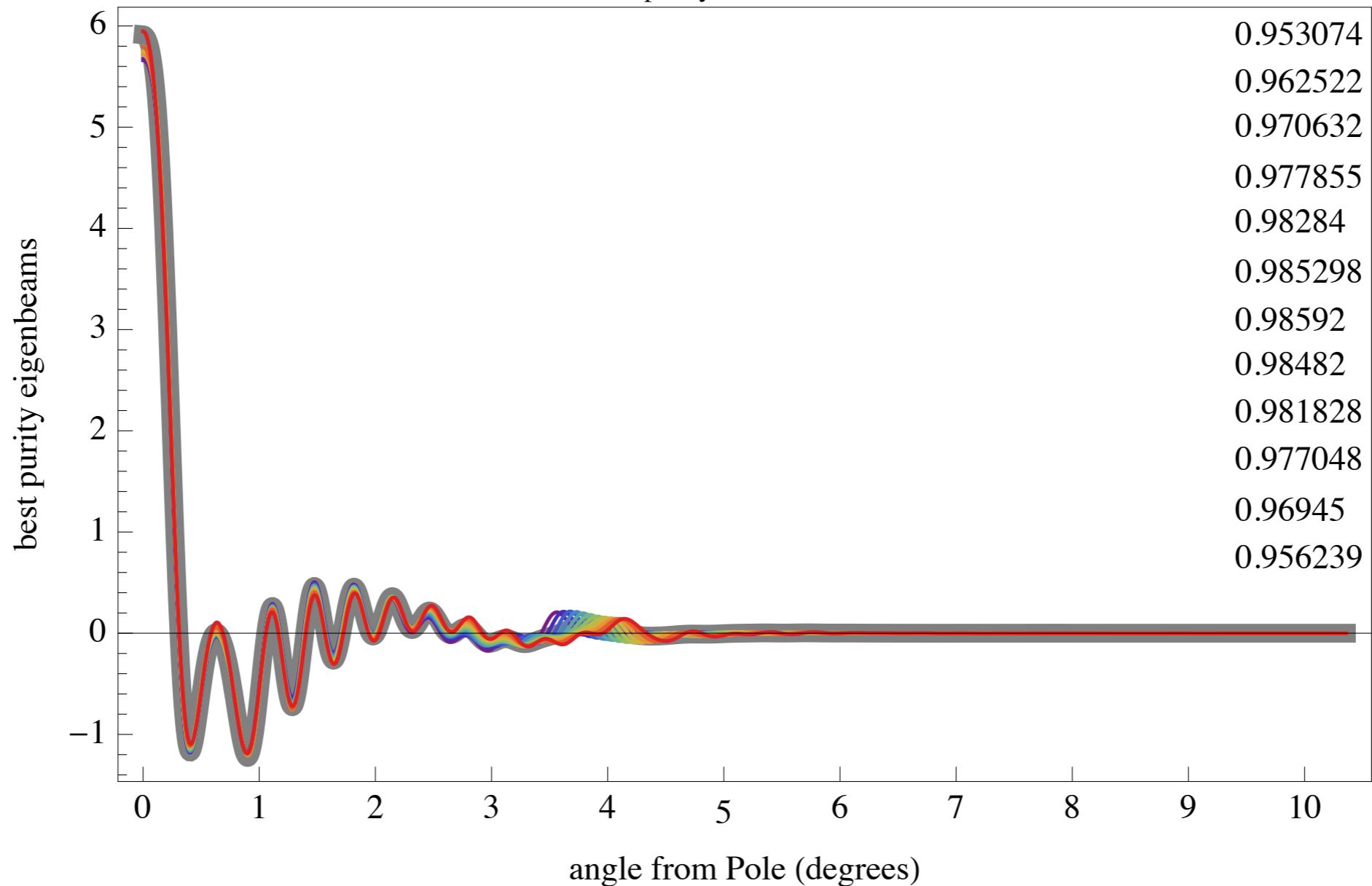
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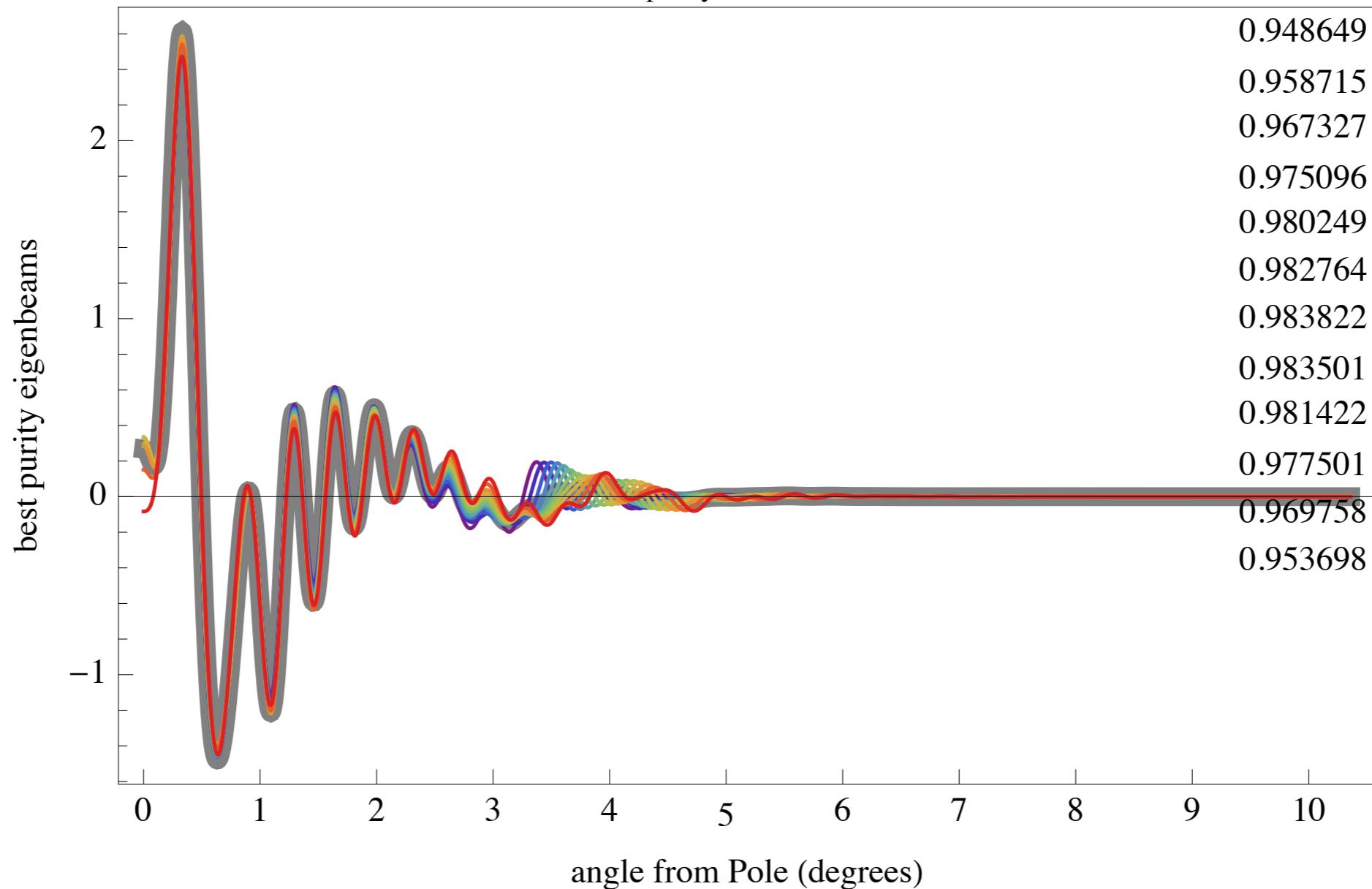
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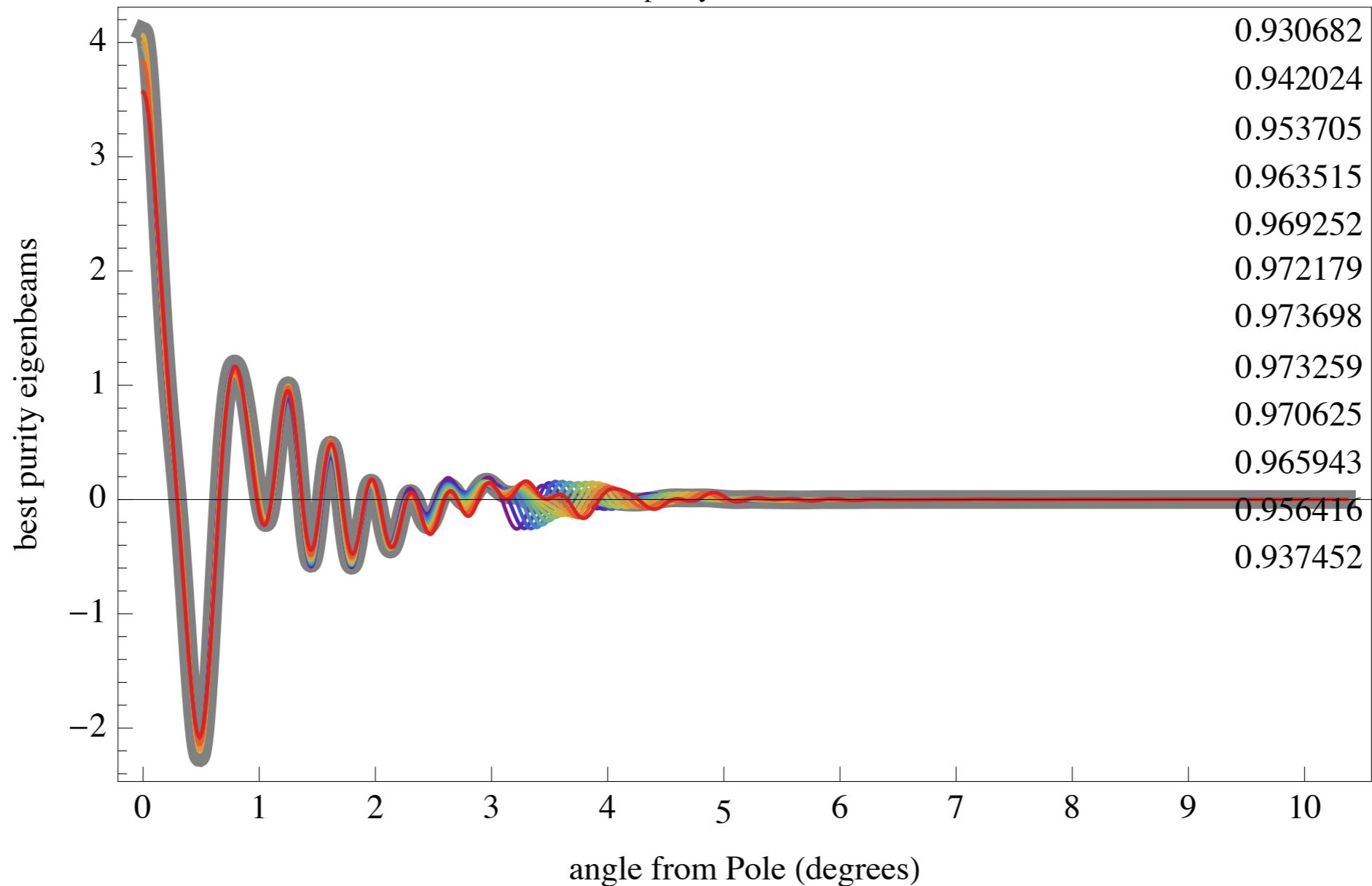
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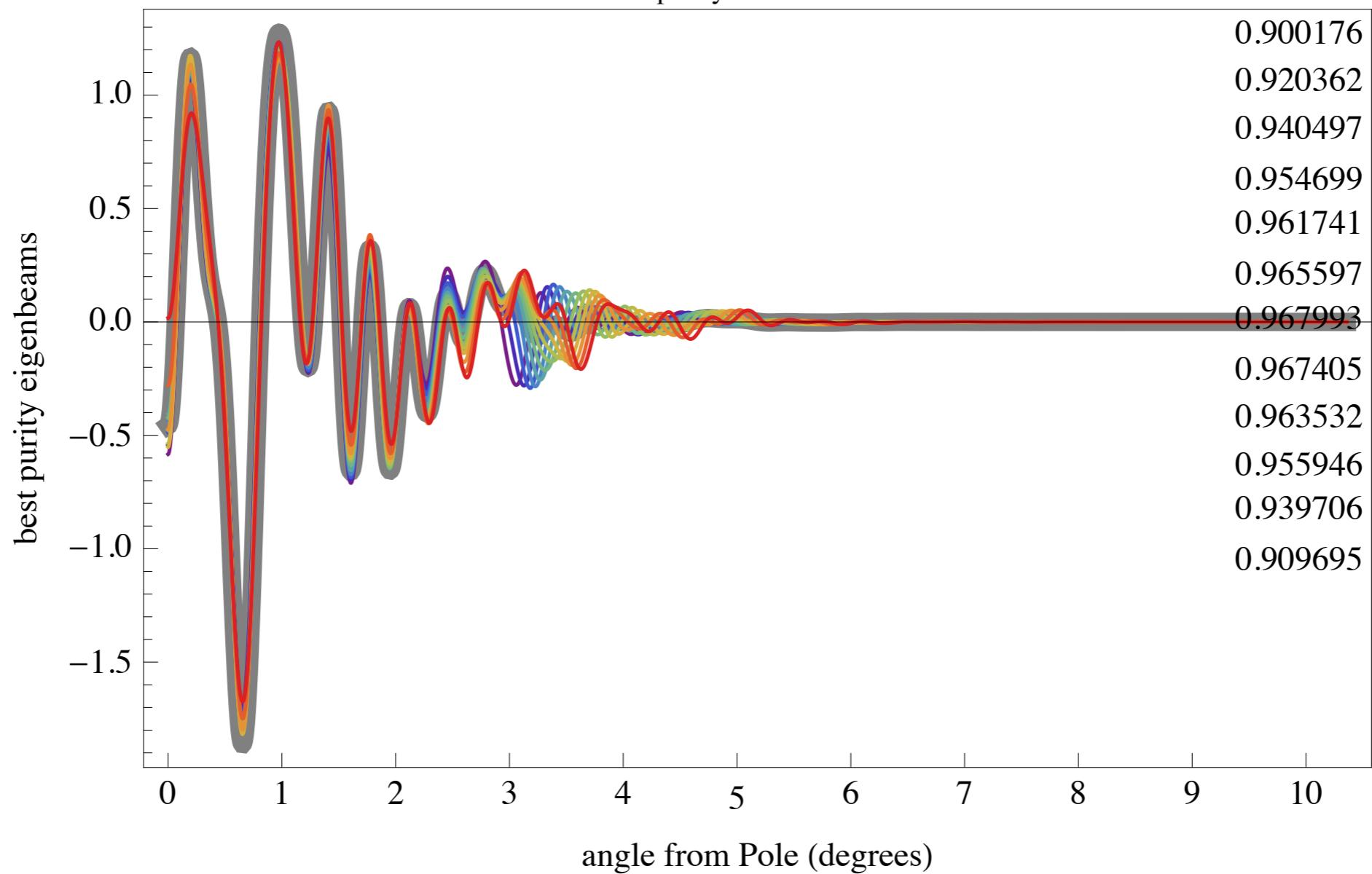
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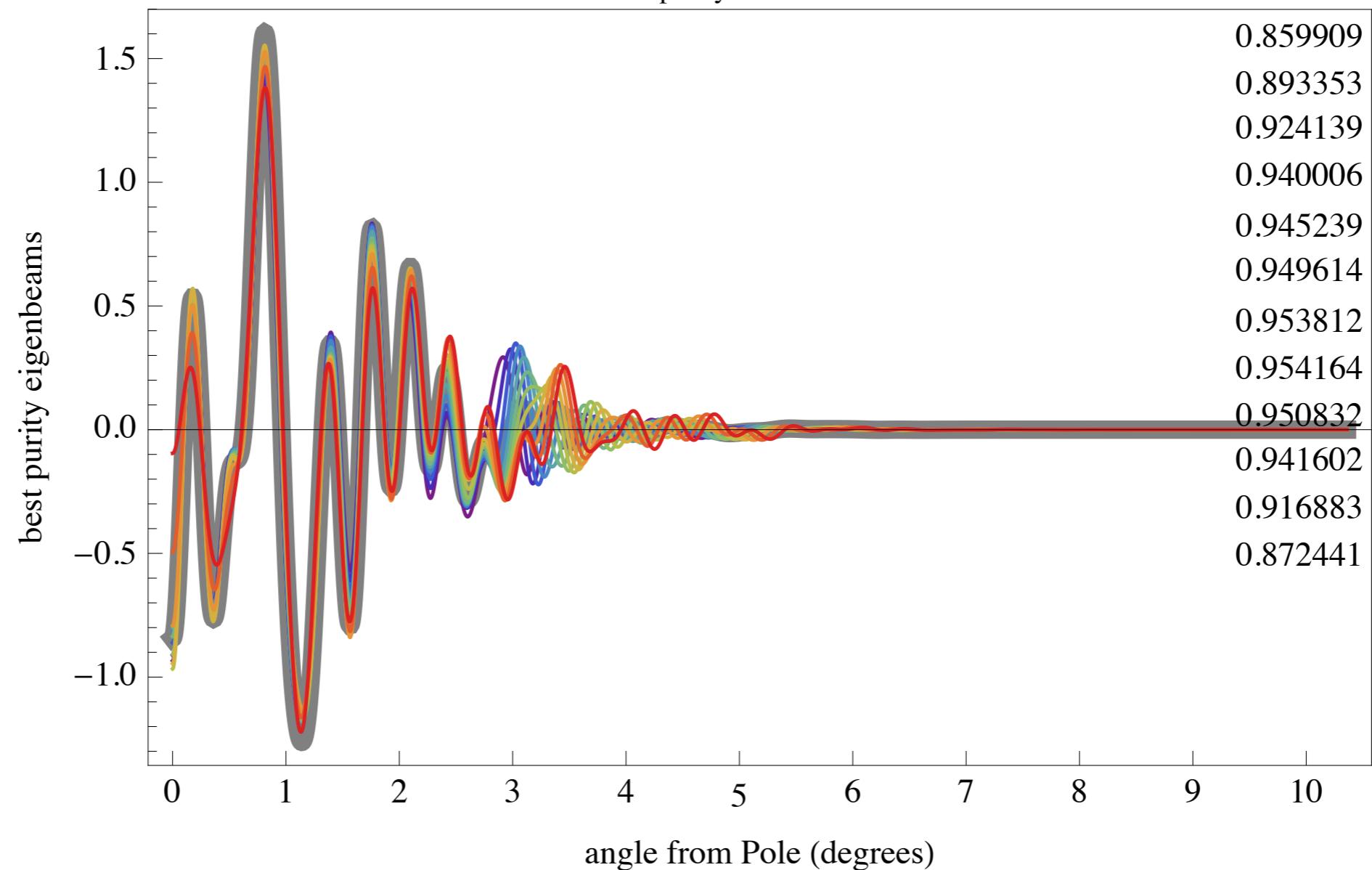
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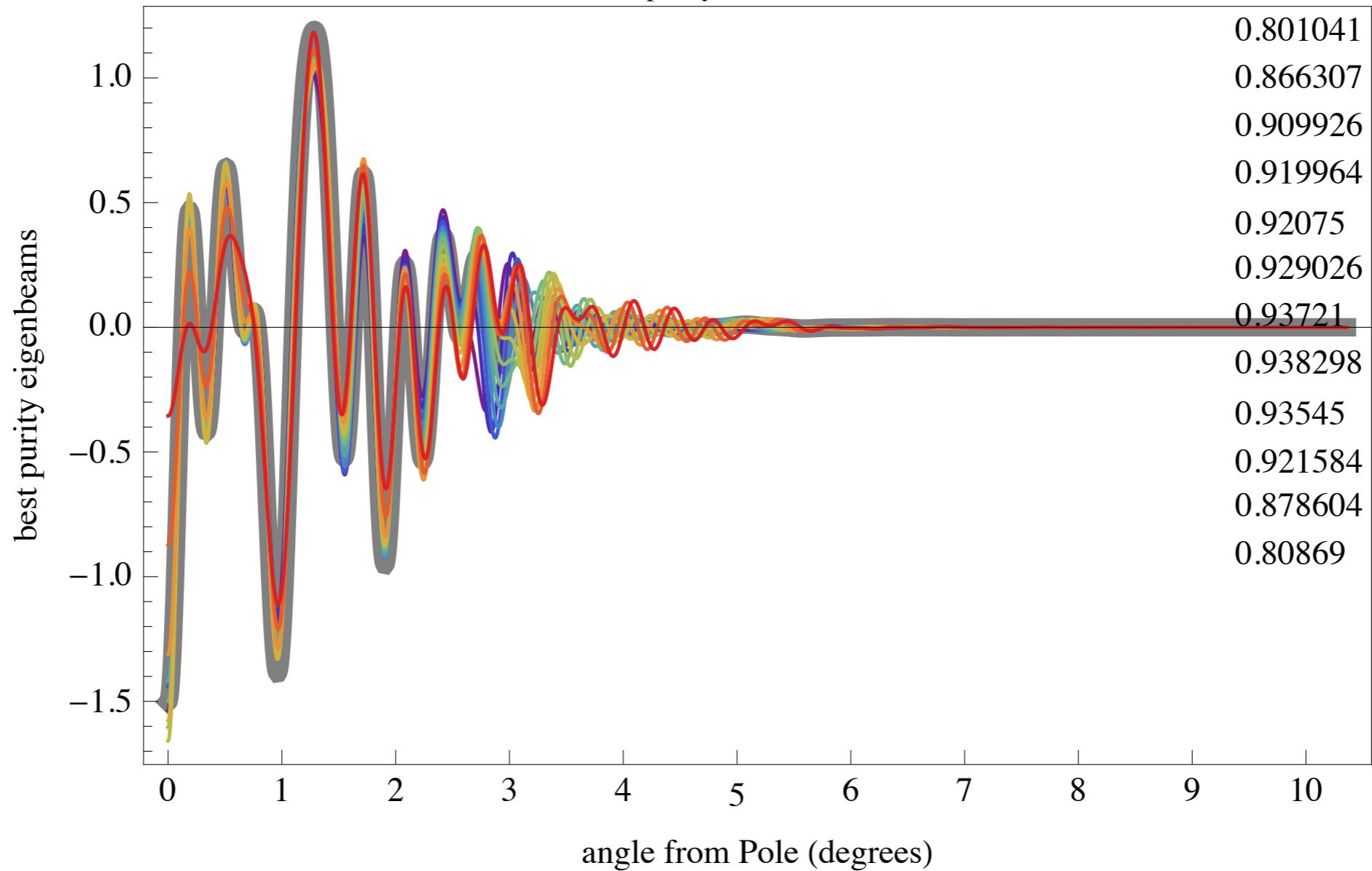
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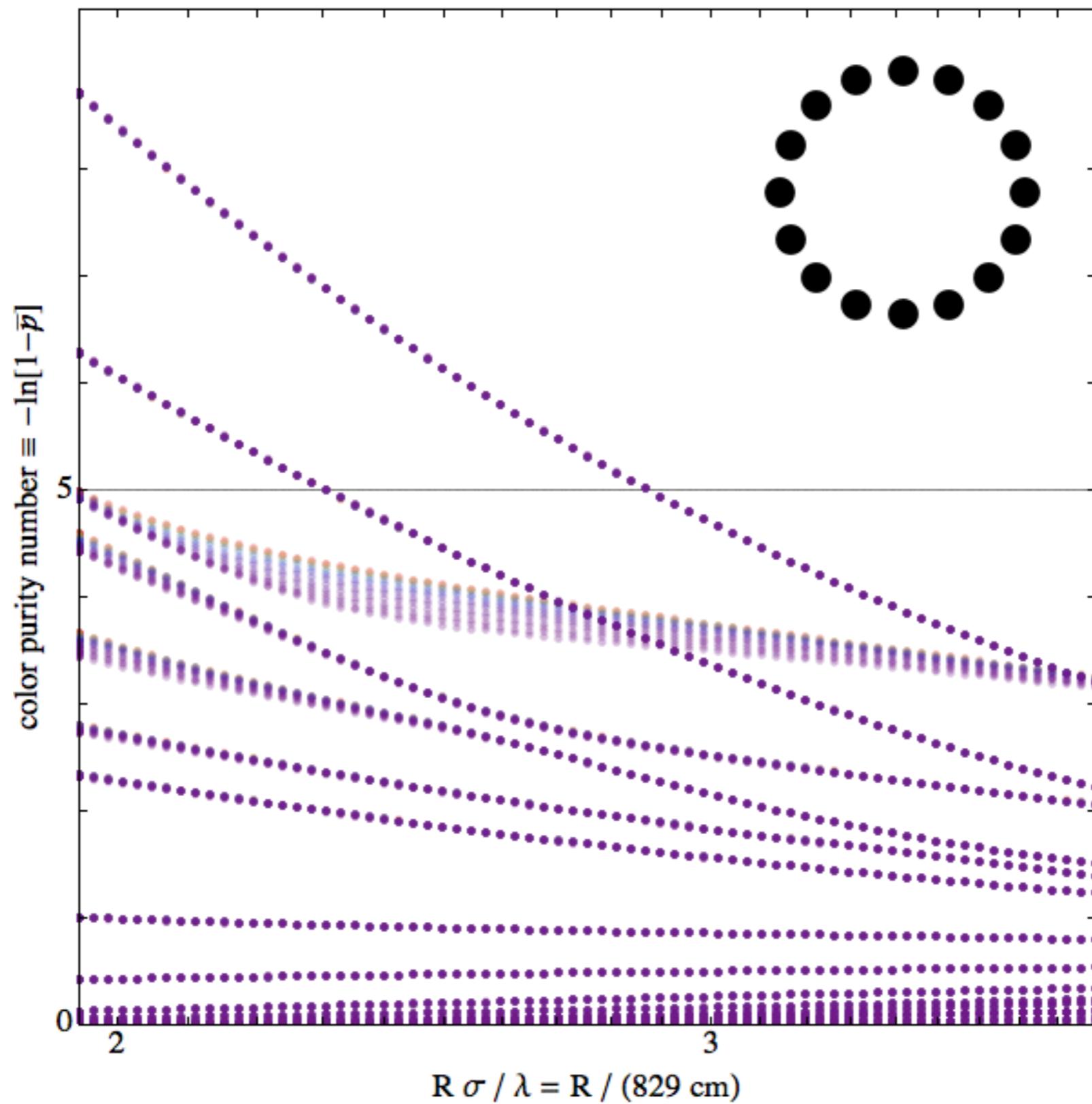
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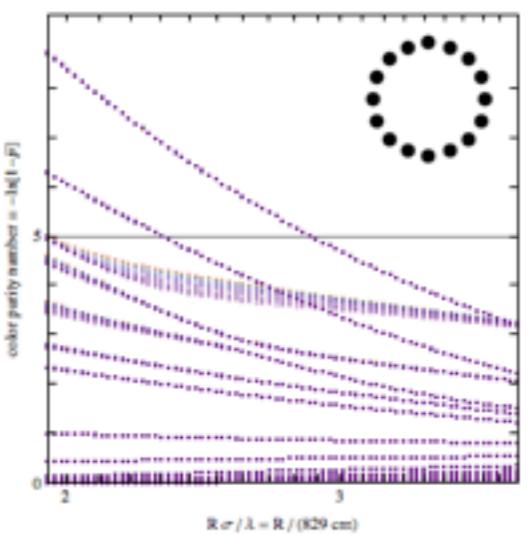
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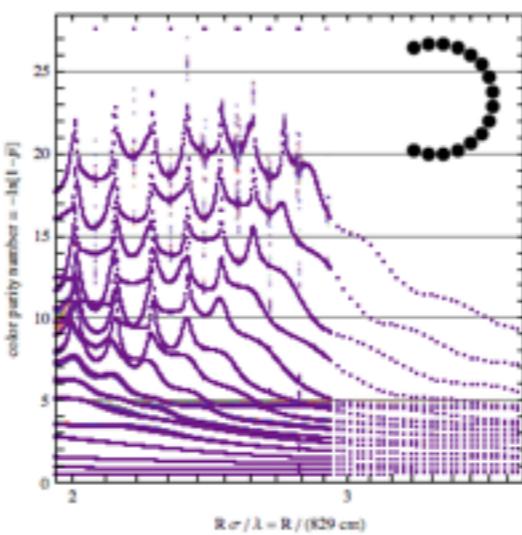
$\#_{\text{dish}} = 16$ $\#_{\text{split}} = 0$ $\nu \in [700, 800] \text{ MHz}$ spaced 630 cm



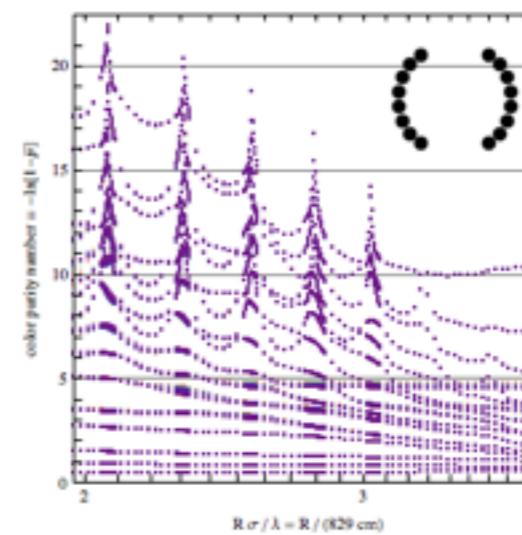
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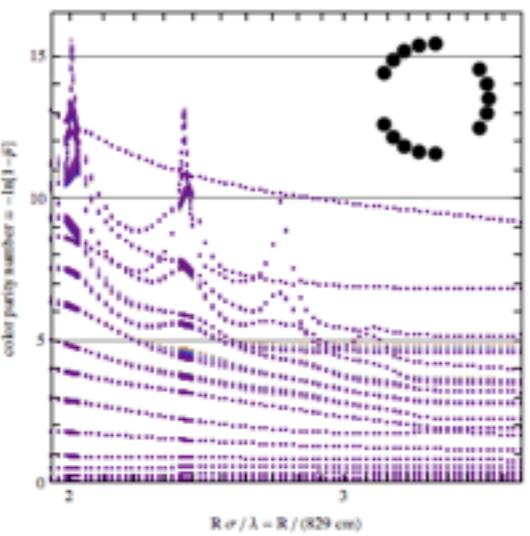
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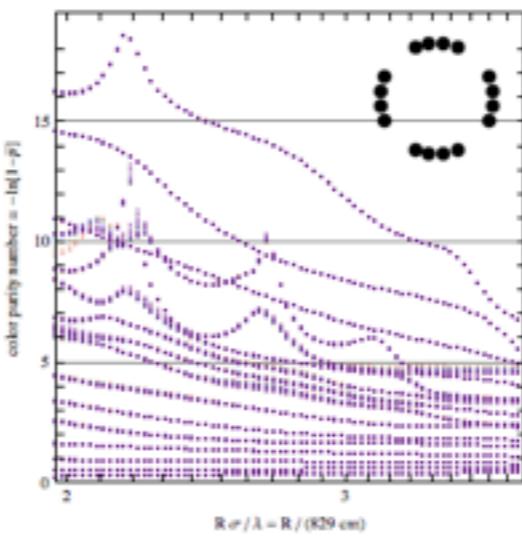
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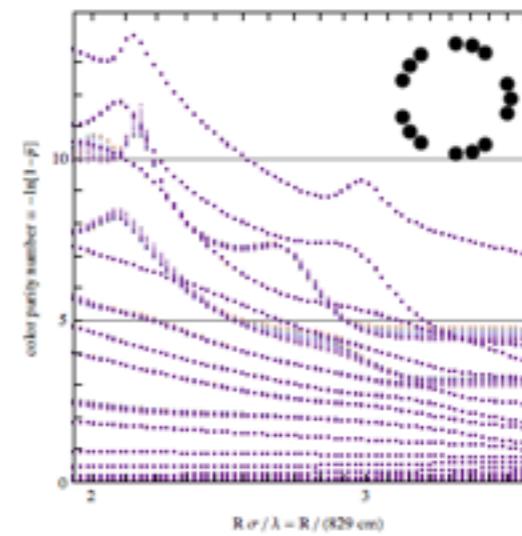
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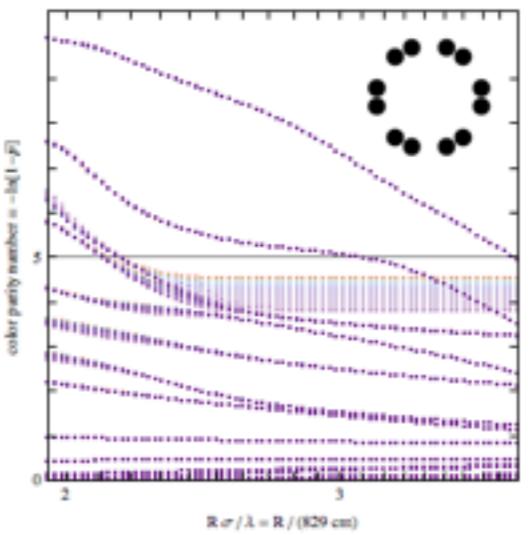
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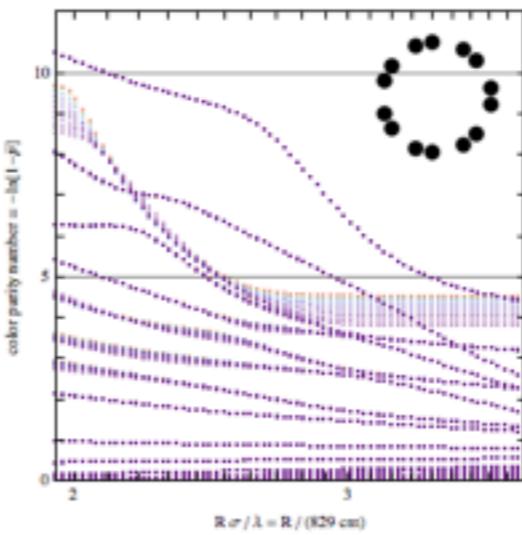
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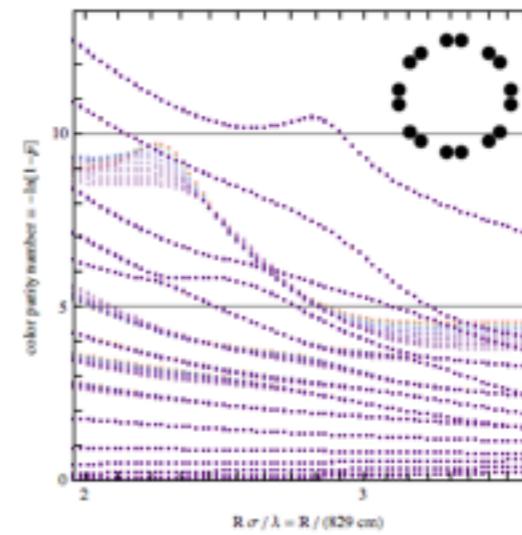
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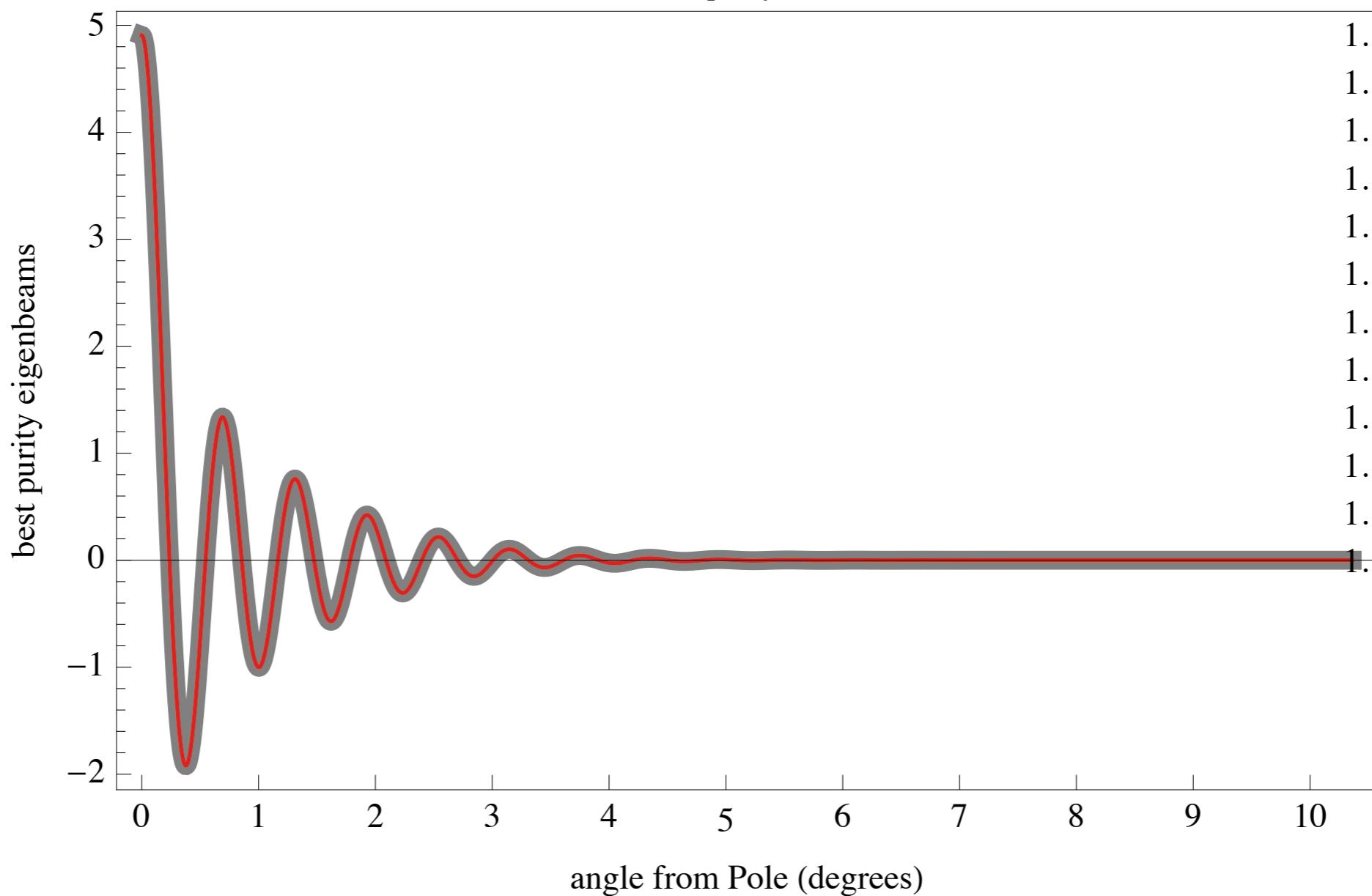
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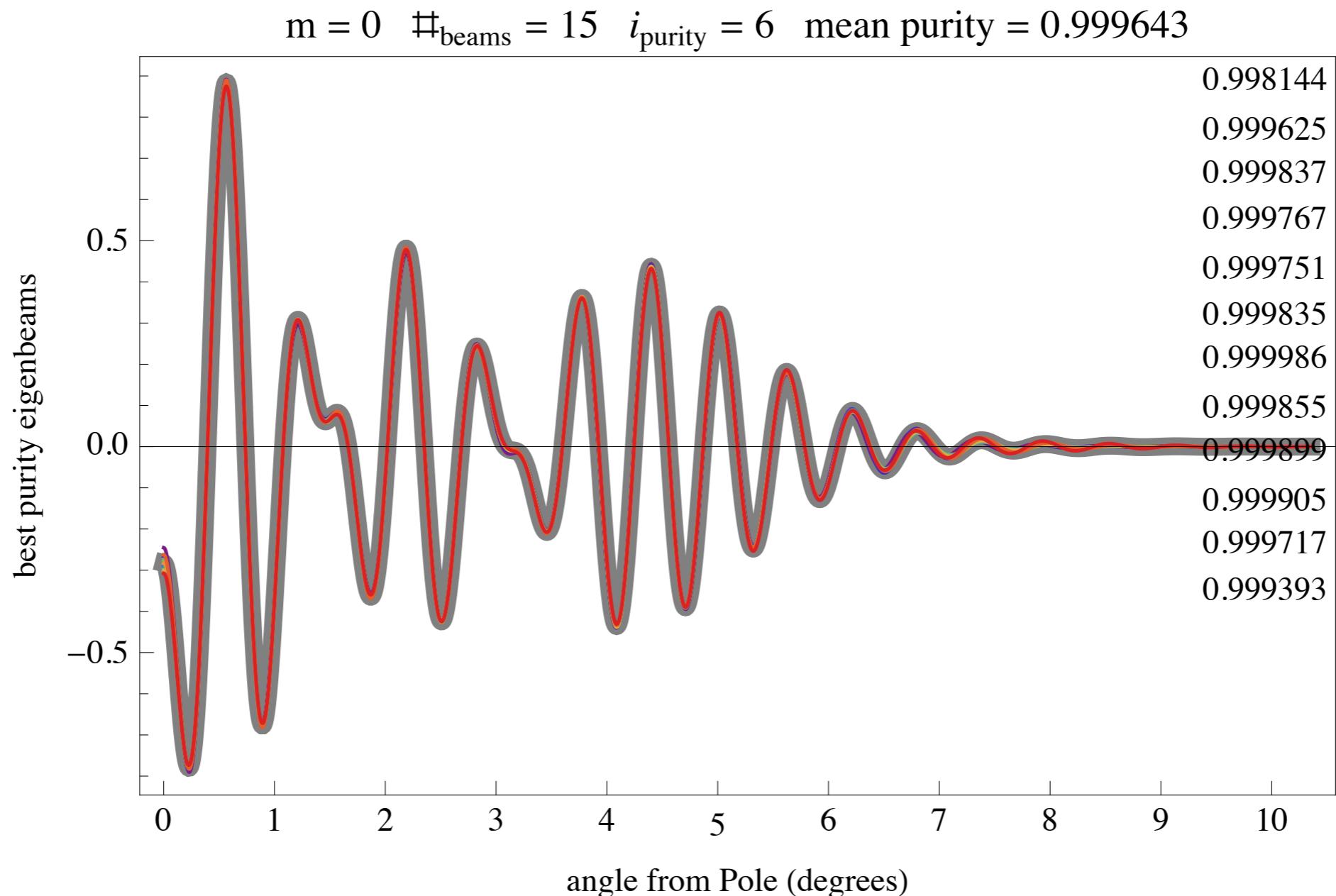
$\Pi_{\text{disk}} = 16$ $\Pi_{\text{split}} = 8$ $\nu \in [700, 800]$ MHz spaced 630 cm



$m = 0$ $\#\text{beams} = 15$ $i_{\text{purity}} = 1$ mean purity = 1.

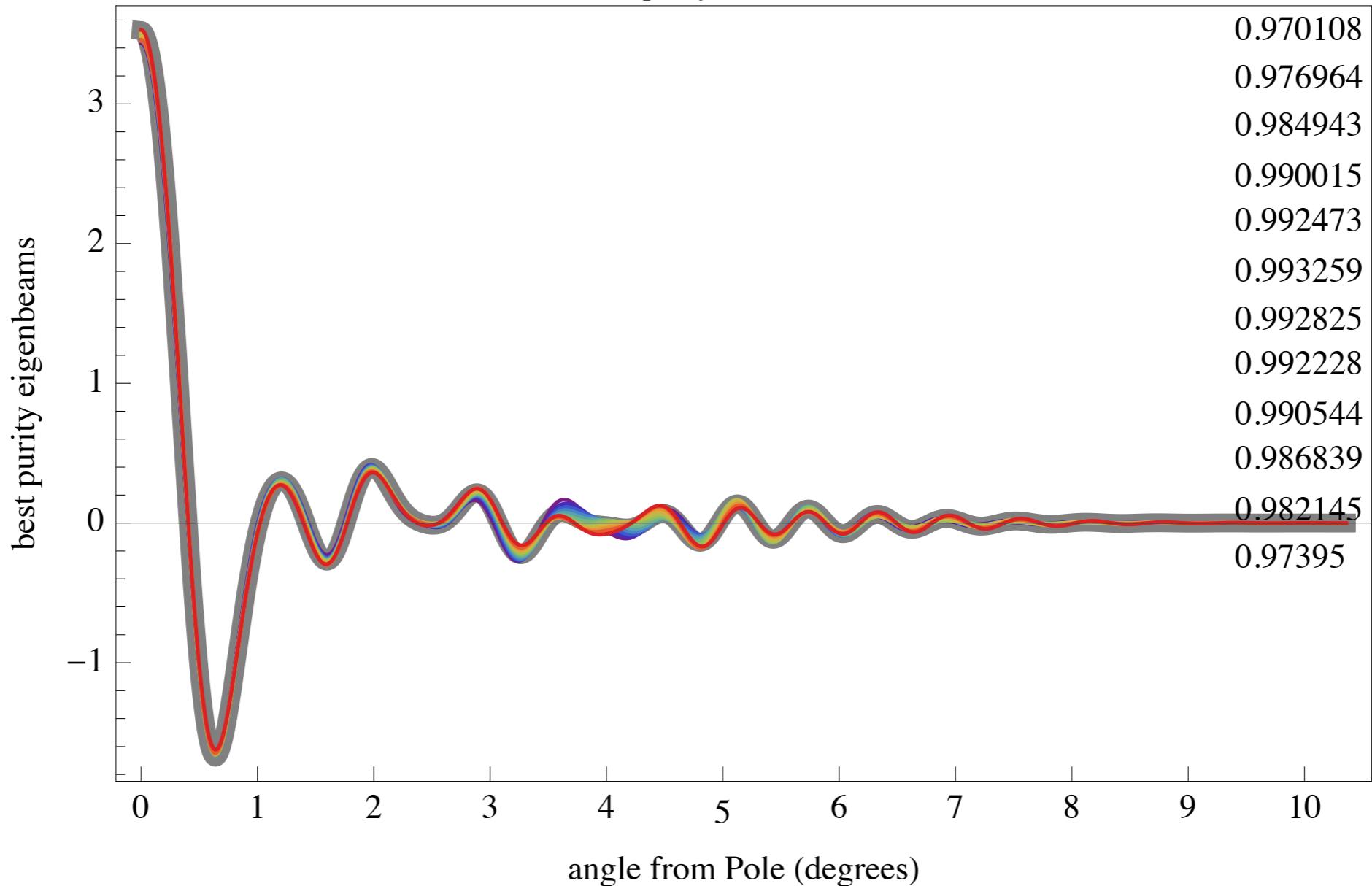


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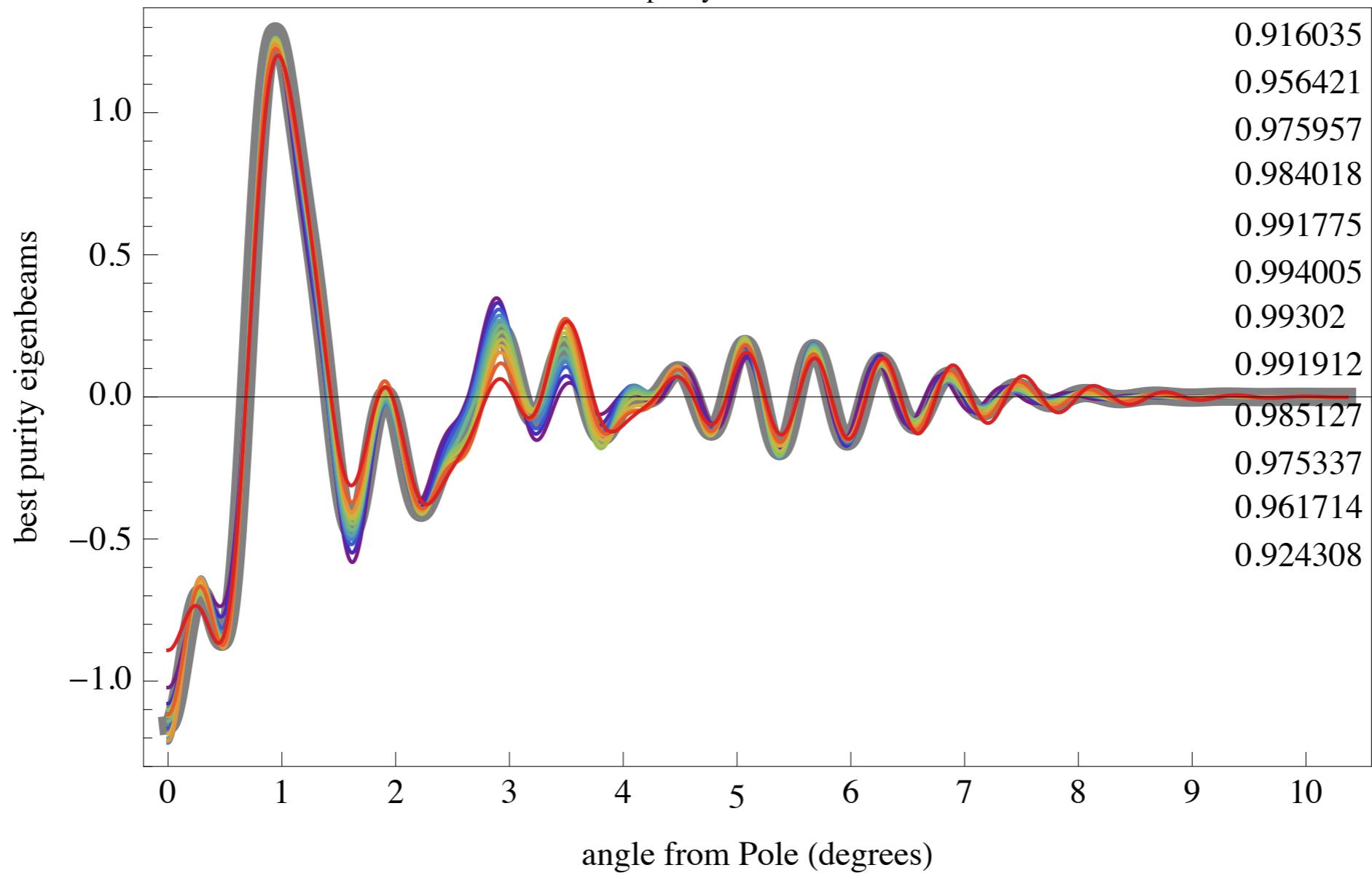


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$m = 0$ $\#\text{beams} = 15$ $i_{\text{purity}} = 10$ mean purity = 0.970802



$m = 0$ $\#\text{beams} = 15$ $i_{\text{purity}} = 11$ mean purity = 0.961302

