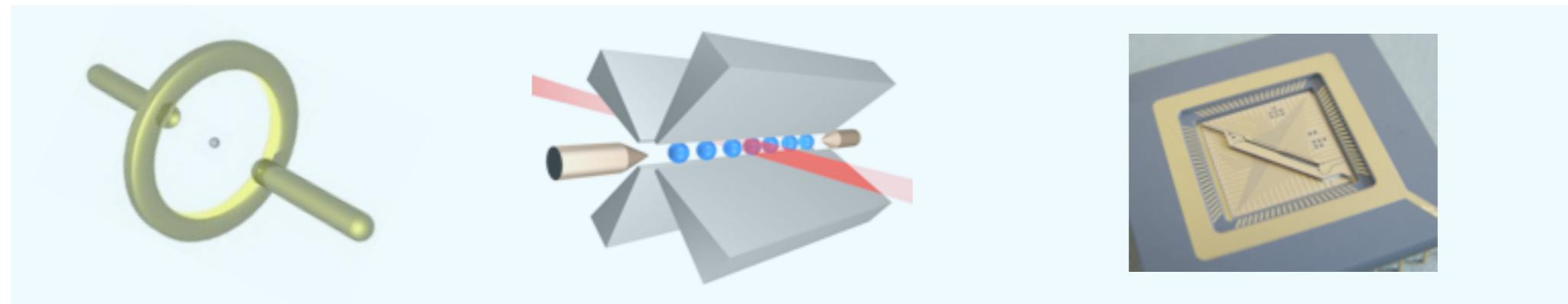


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“Quantum Information Processing with Trapped Ions”



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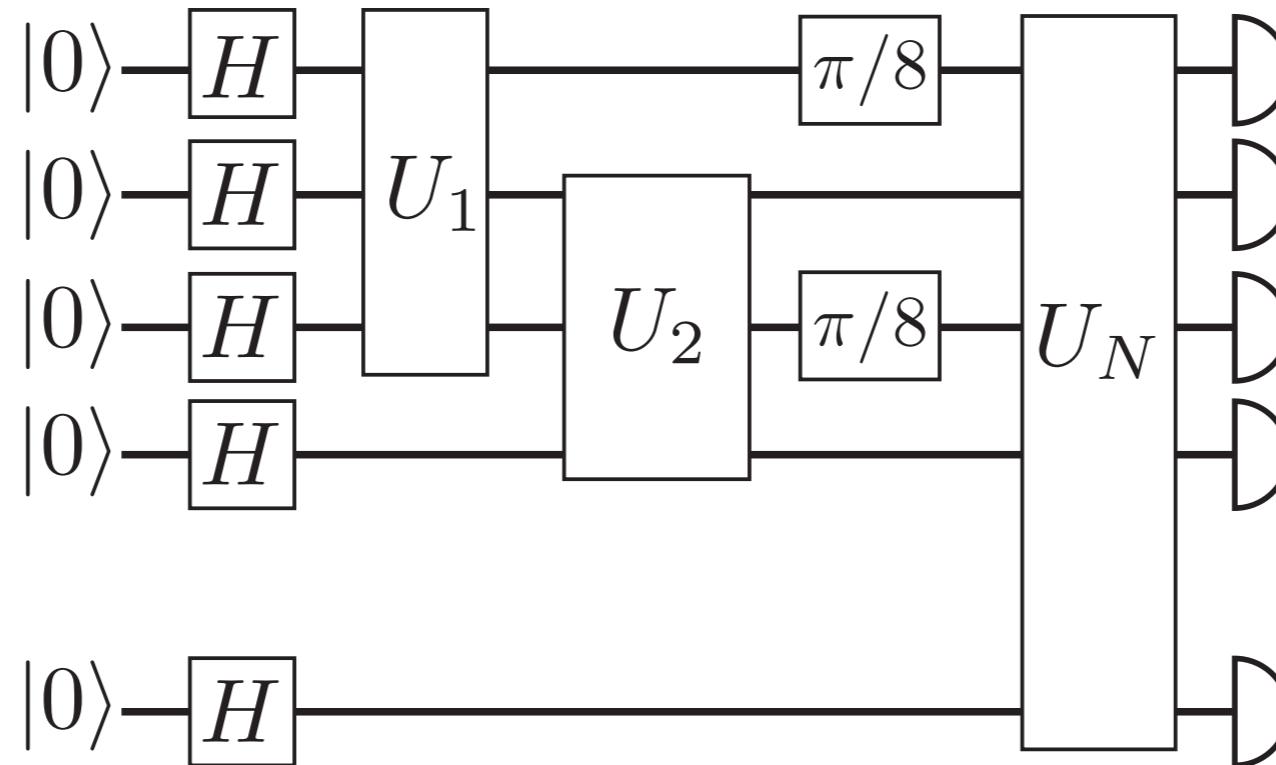


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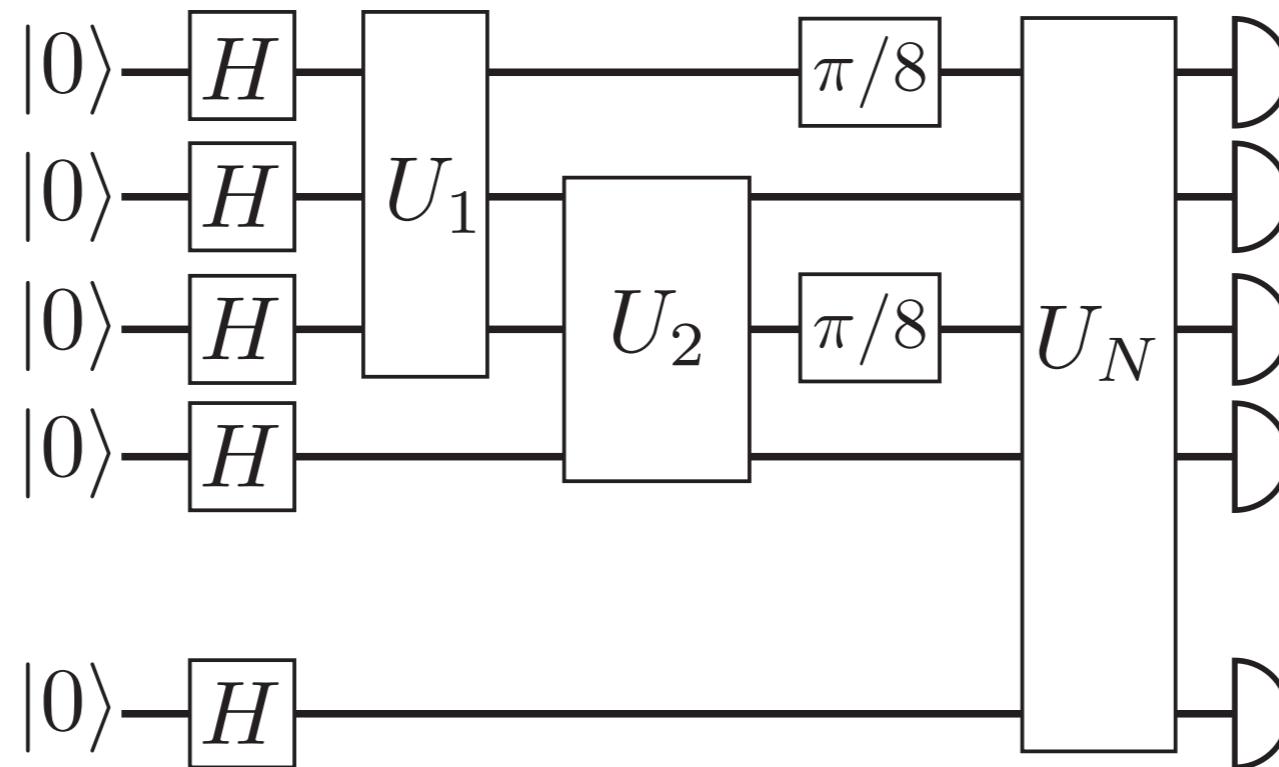
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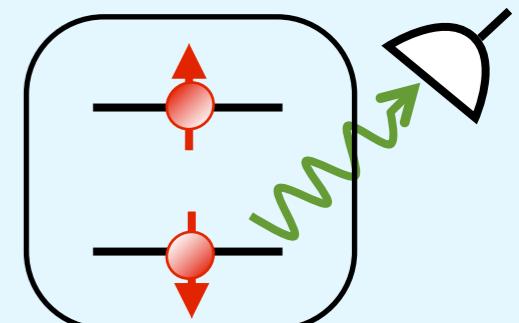
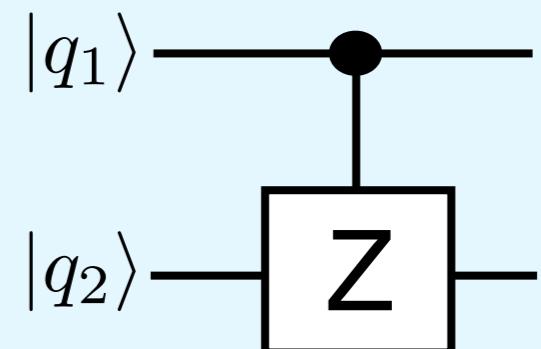
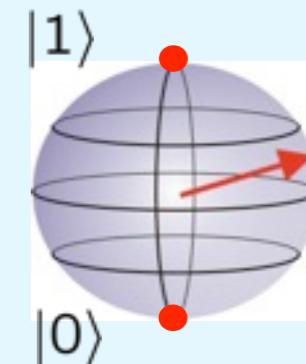
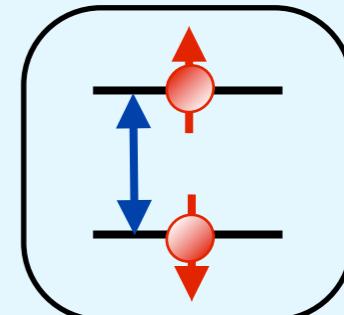


How can we implement these ideas using real physical systems?

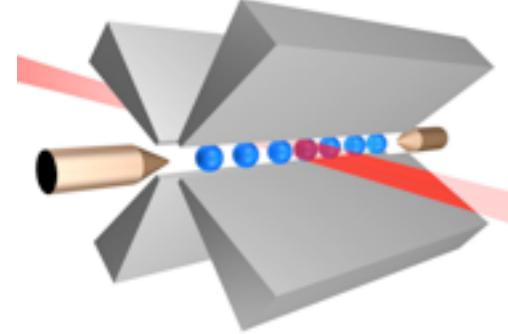
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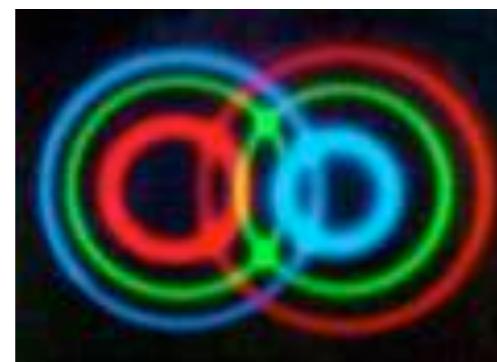
1. Well defined qubits
2. Initialization of a pure state
3. Universal set of quantum gates
 - single qubit rotations
 - two qubit gates (CNOT, PHASE, ...)
4. Individual qubit readout
5. Long coherence times



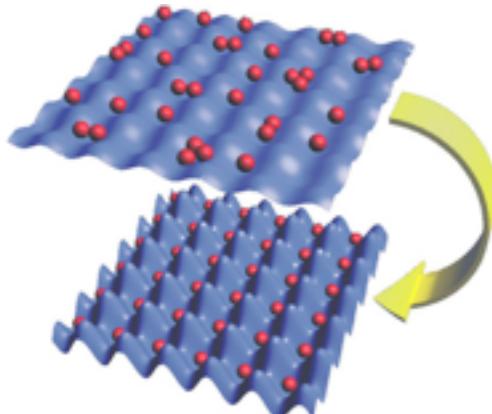
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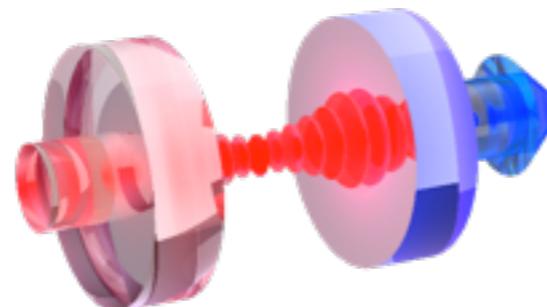
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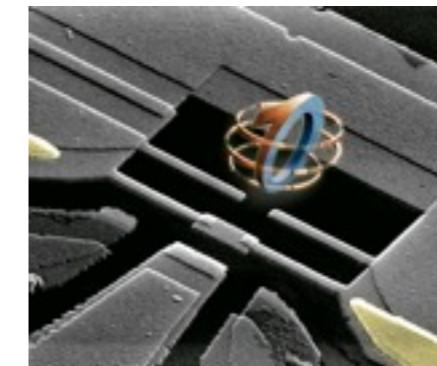
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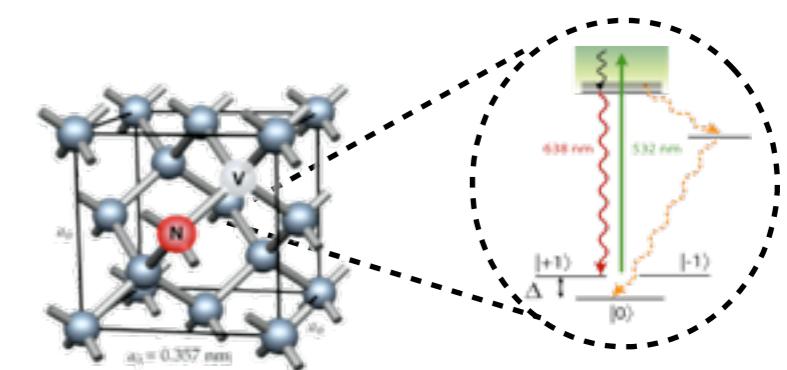
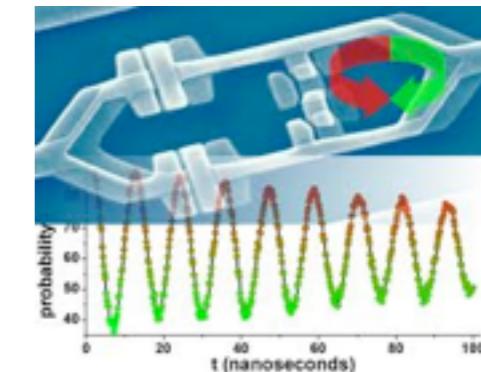
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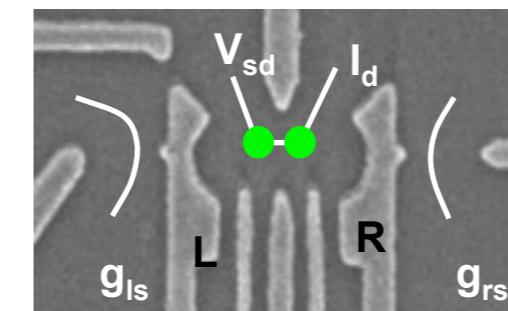
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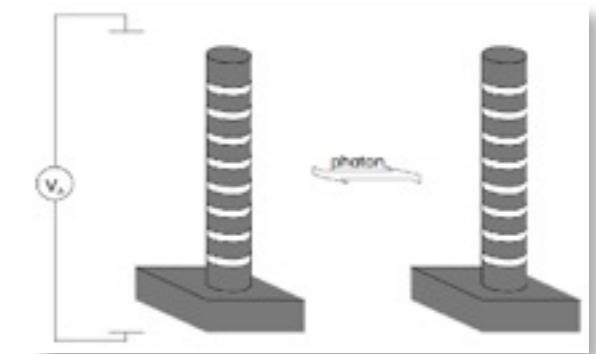
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solid state spin qubits

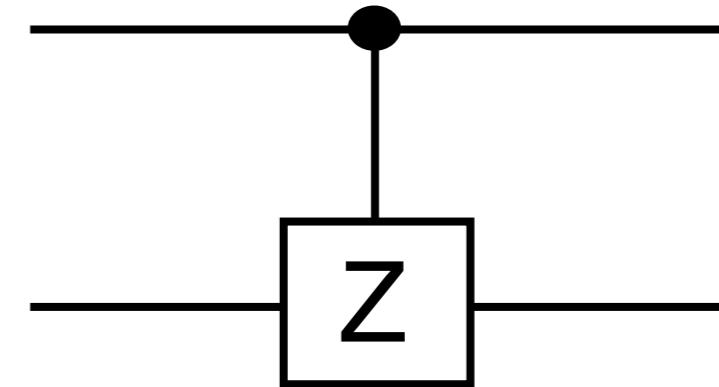
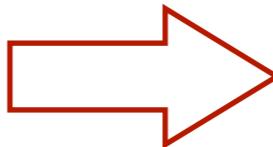
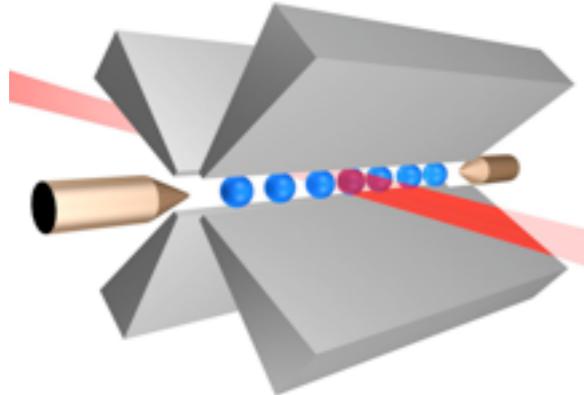


quantum dots



This lecture:

“Quantum information processing with trapped ions”



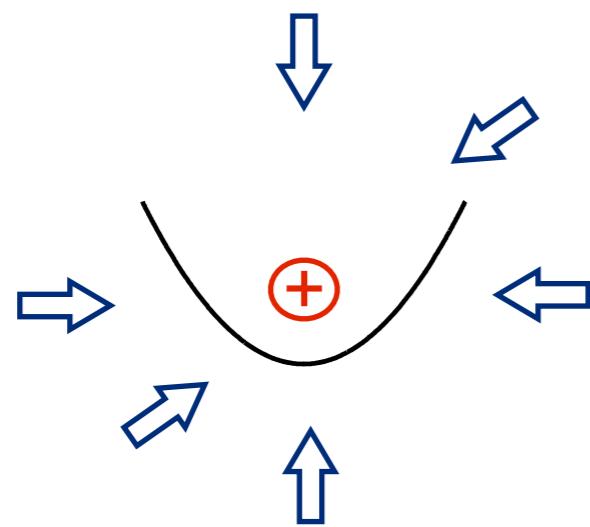
Outline:

- Trapping and manipulating single ions.
- Quantum information processing with trapped ions.
- Geometric gates and spin-models for quantum simulation.
- **Tomorrow:** From trapped ions to macroscopic quantum systems.

Part I: Trapping and manipulating single ions

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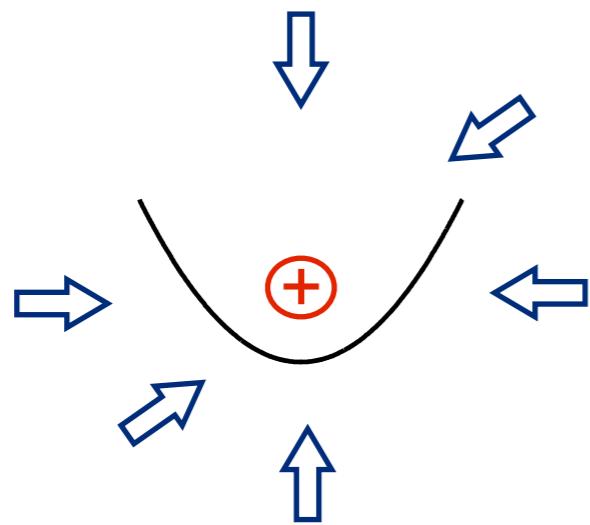
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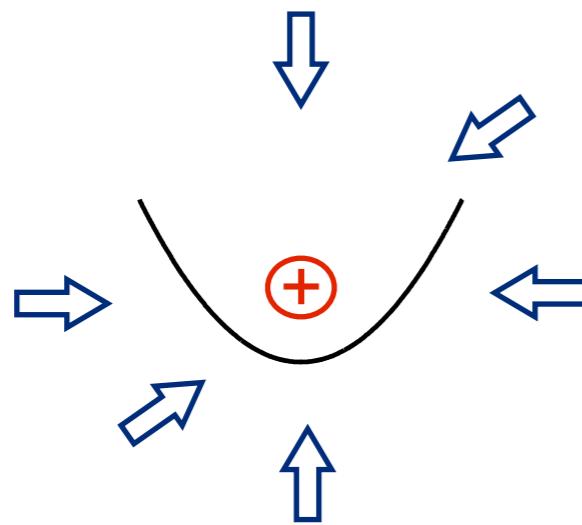
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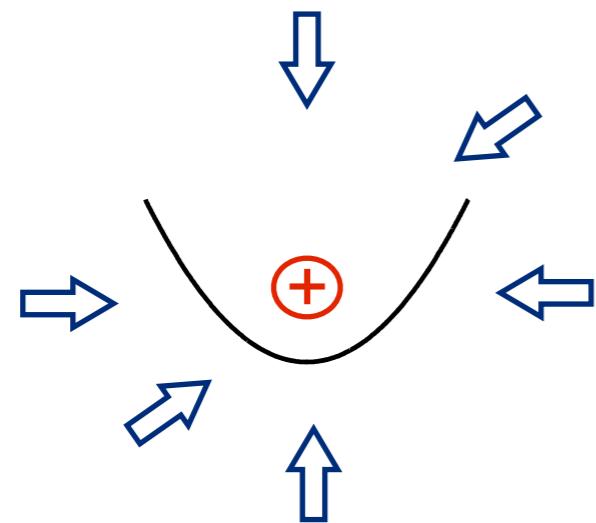
$$\Delta\Phi_{\text{el}} = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \alpha + \beta + \gamma = 0$$



Saddle point !
No static confinement in all 3 spatial directions !

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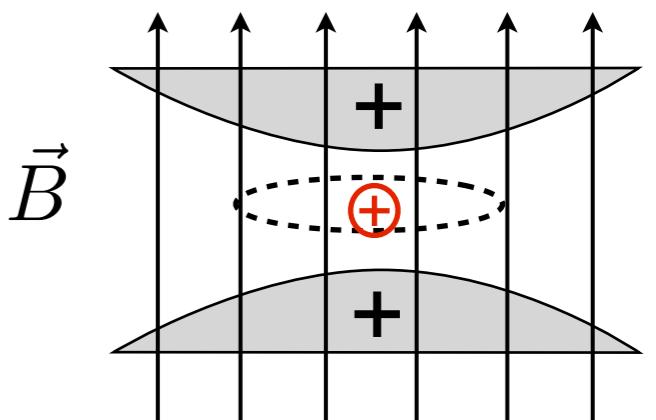
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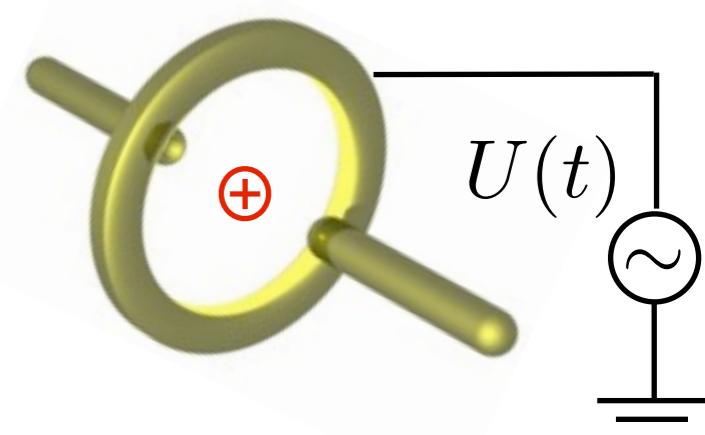
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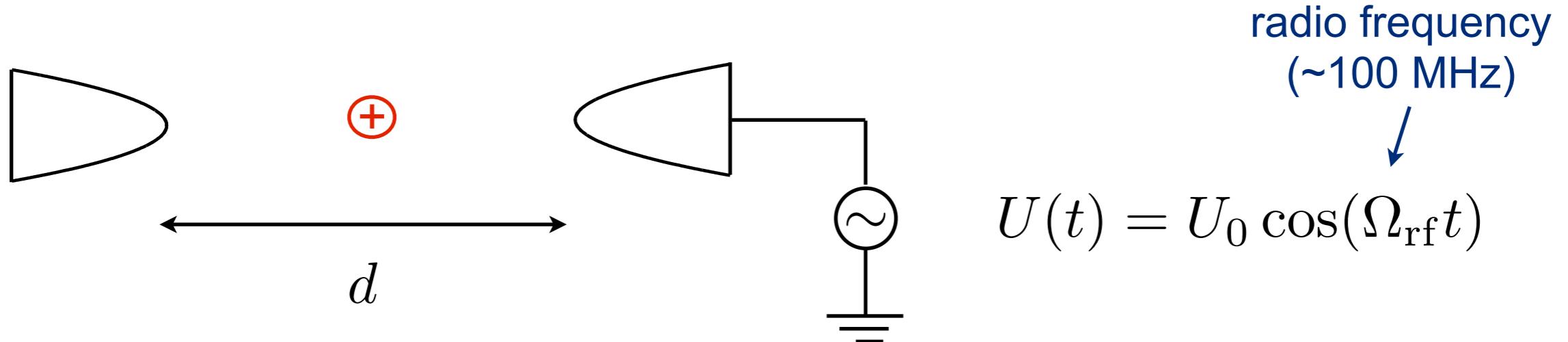
Solution 2: “Paul trap” (Wolfgang Paul)

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Radio-frequency traps

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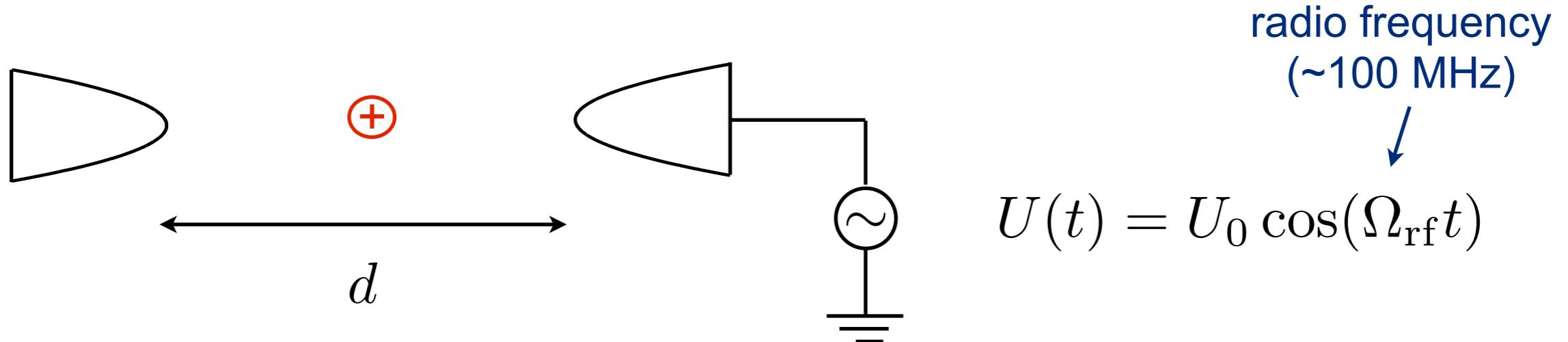
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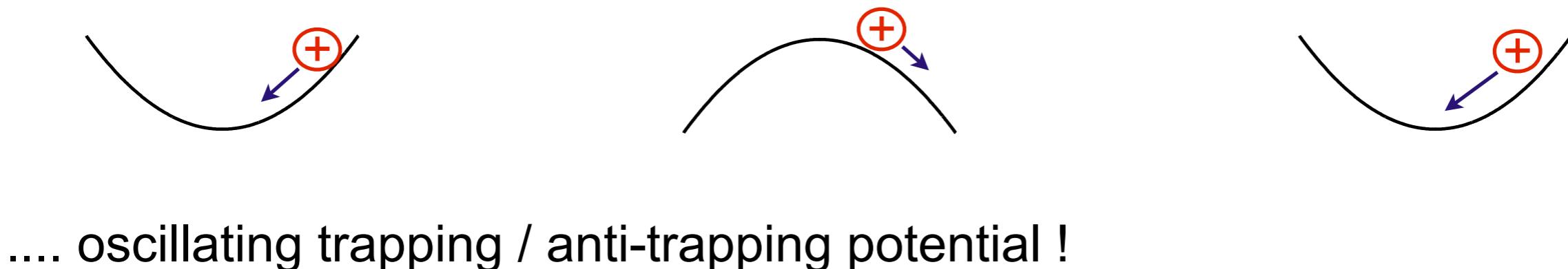
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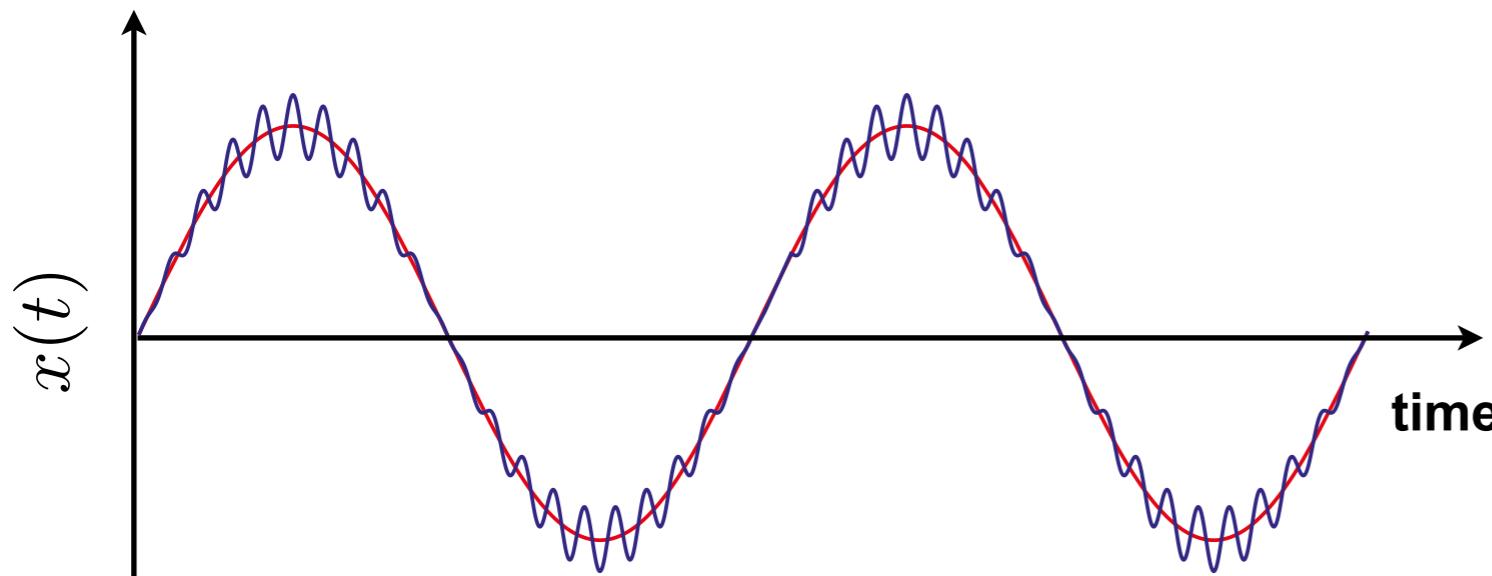
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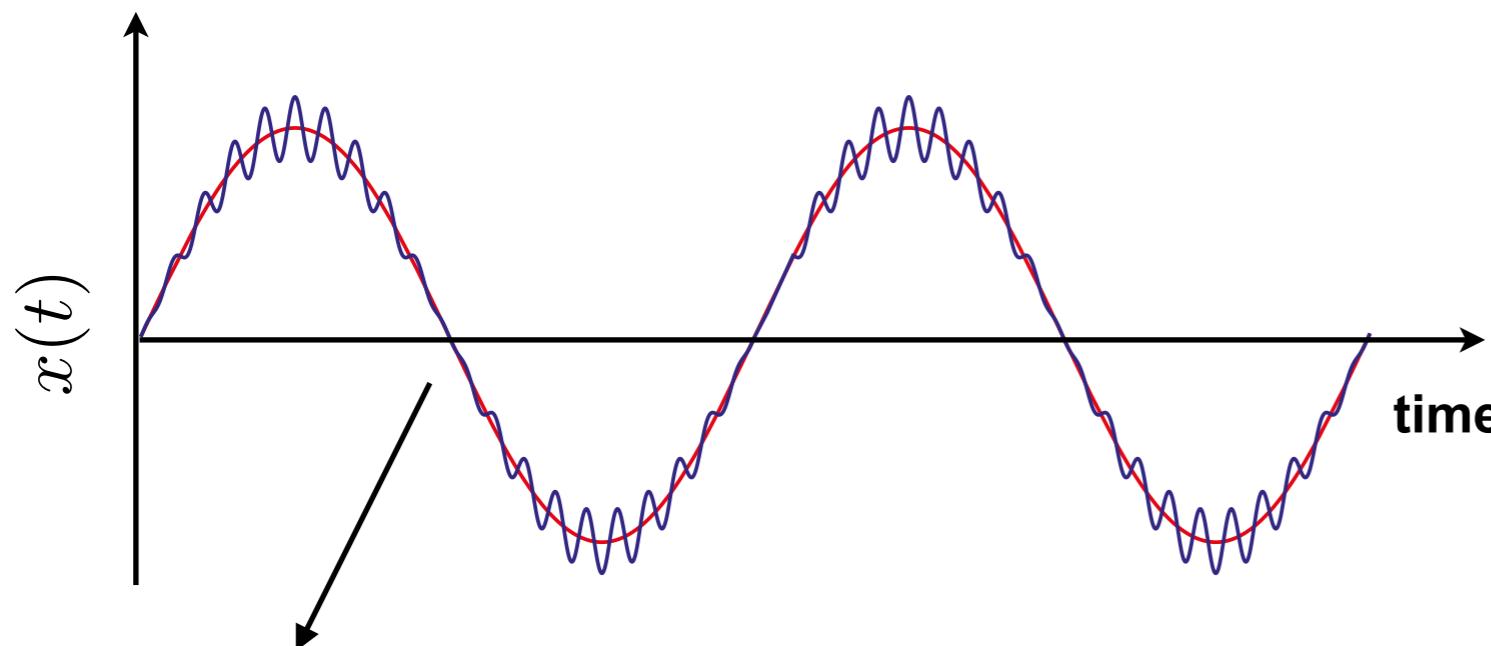
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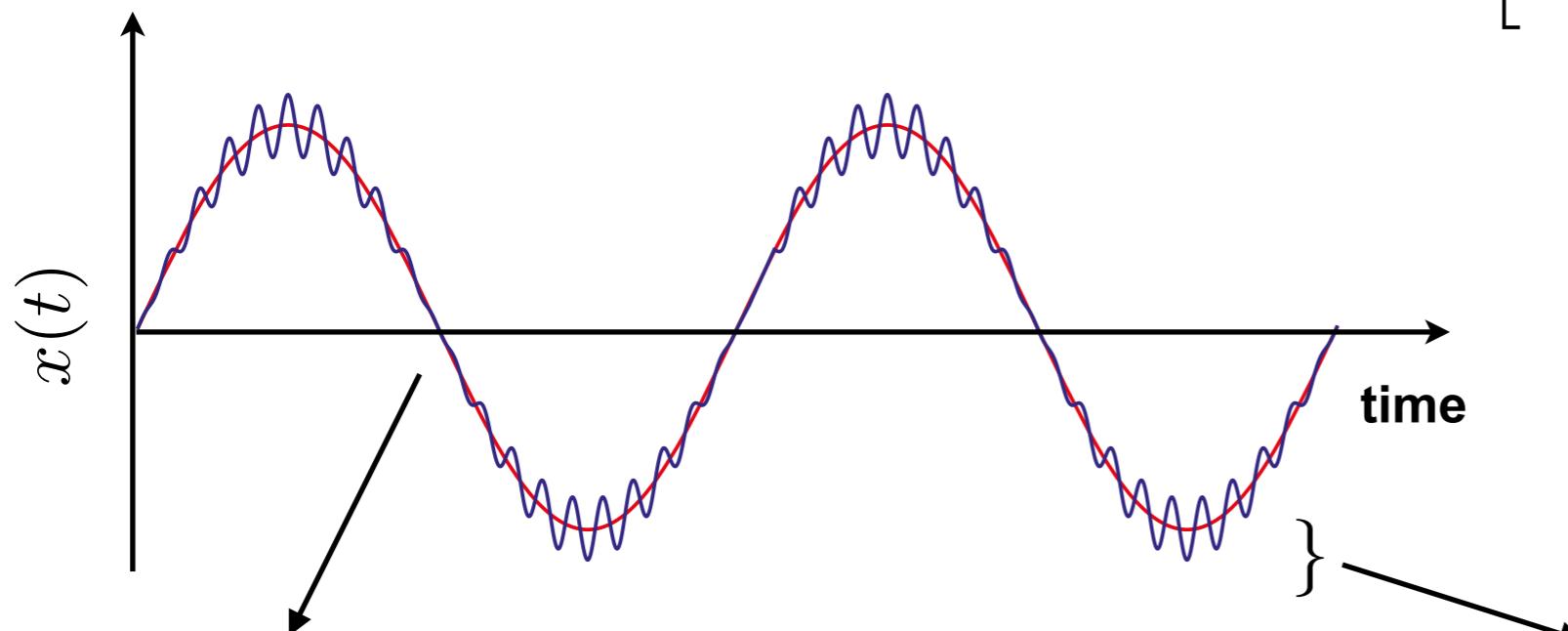
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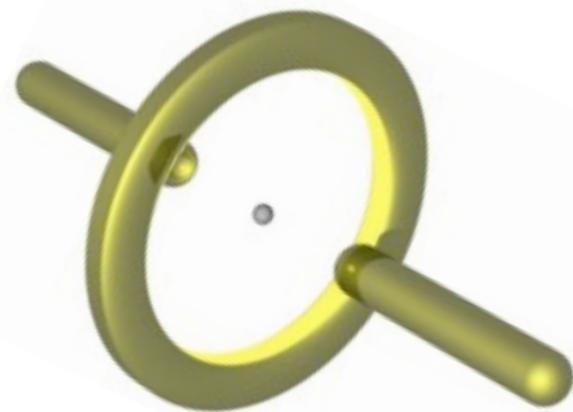
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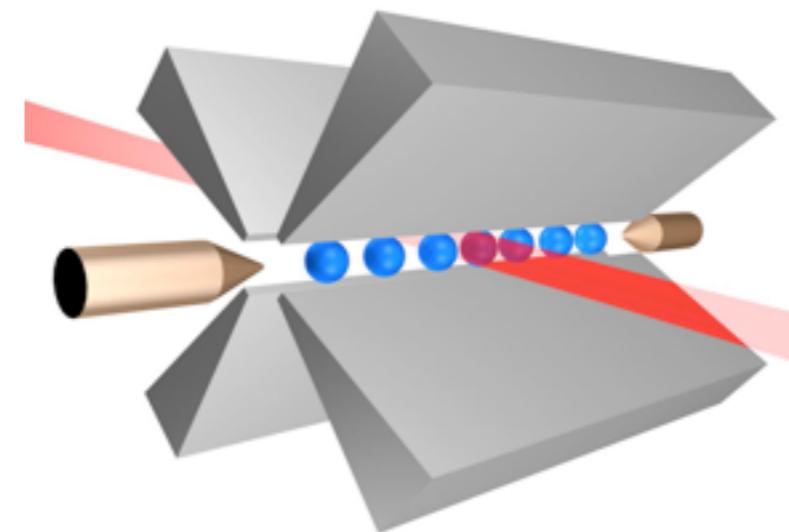
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Ion traps examples ...

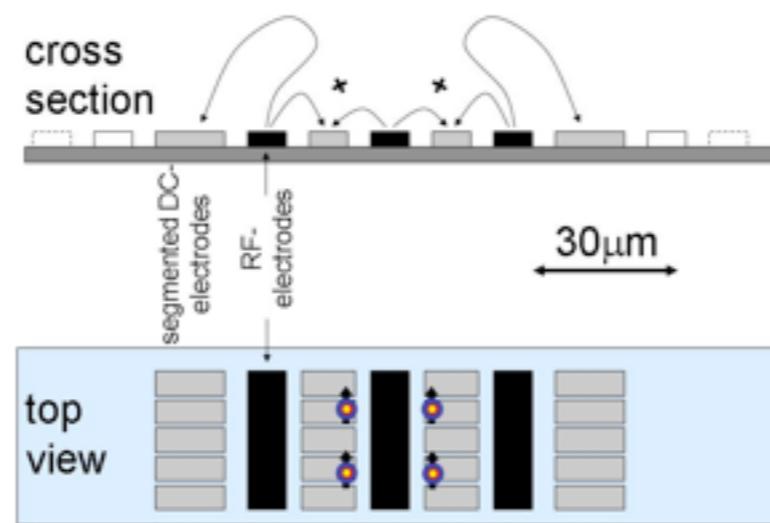
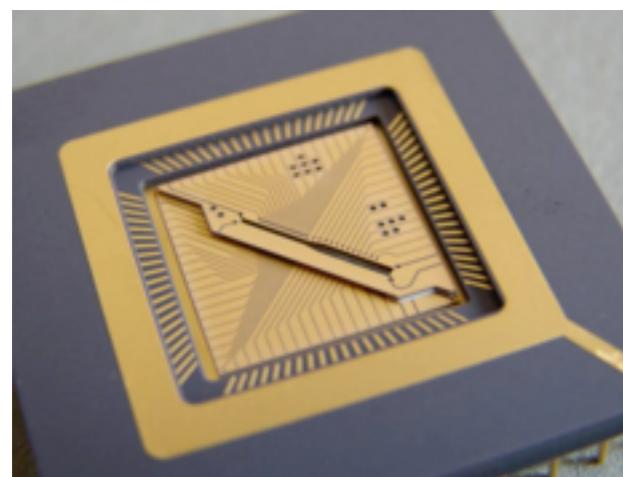
Ring trap:



Linear Paul trap:



“Microtraps”:



... and many more !

Quantized motion of a trapped ion

Time-dependent Hamiltonian (1D):

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Position operator:

$$\hat{x}(t) = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega_t}} (u(t)\hat{a}^\dagger + u^*(t)\hat{a})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{u}(t) + \kappa^2 \cos(\Omega_{\text{rf}}t)u(t) &= 0 \\ u(0) = 1, \dot{u}(0) = i\omega_t \end{aligned}$$

$$[\hat{a}, \hat{a}^\dagger] = 1$$

(“reference oscillator”, time independent)

Quantized motion of a trapped ion

- Quantum states of a trapped ion:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{ground state: } \hat{a}|0\rangle = 0 \\ \text{number state: } |n\rangle = \frac{(\hat{a}^\dagger)^n}{\sqrt{n}}|0\rangle \end{array} \right\} \quad |\psi\rangle = \sum_{n=0} c_n |n\rangle$$

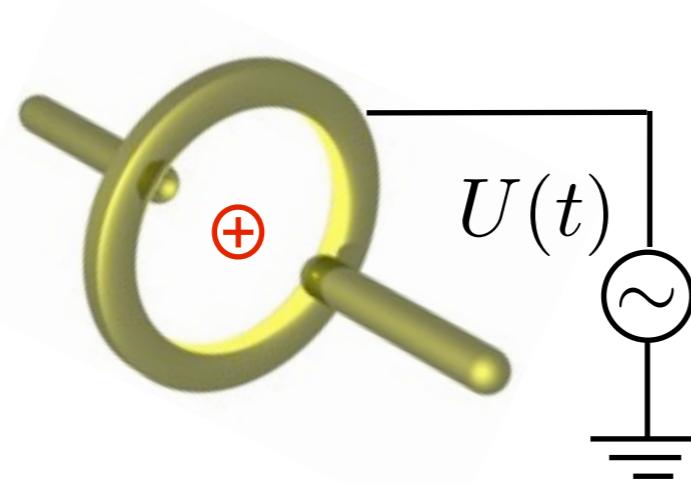
- Matrix elements:

$$\langle n+1 | \hat{x}(t) | n \rangle \simeq \underbrace{\sqrt{n+1} \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega_t}} e^{i\omega_t t} \left[1 + \frac{q}{2} \cos(\Omega_{\text{rf}} t) + \dots \right]}_{\text{standard harmonic oscillator}}$$

↓
small

→ rapidly oscillating

Quantized motion of a trapped ion



radio frequency
(~100 MHz)



$$U(t) = U_0 \cos(\Omega_{\text{rf}} t)$$

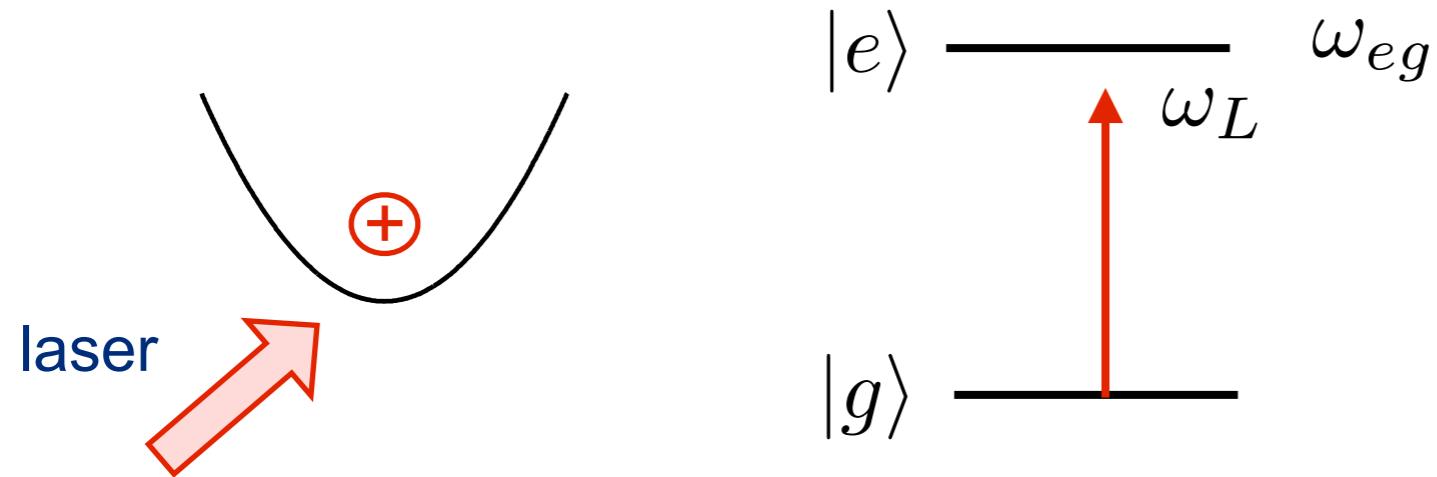
- Effective dynamics of a trapped ion (slow timescales):

$$H_{\text{trap}} \simeq \hbar\omega_x a_x^\dagger a_x + \hbar\omega_y a_y^\dagger a_y + \hbar\omega_z a_z^\dagger a_z \quad (\mathbf{3D \, harmonic \, oscillator})$$

- Corrections:
high frequencies, electric field offset, large amplitude motion, ...

Manipulating trapped ions with light

Ion-laser interaction



- two level atom driven by a near resonant laser:

$$H = \hbar\omega_{eg}|e\rangle\langle e| + (\vec{\mu}_{eg}|e\rangle\langle g| + \vec{\mu}_{eg}^*|g\rangle\langle e|) \vec{E}(t, \vec{x})$$

$\vec{\mu}_{eg} = \langle e | \vec{\mu} | g \rangle$... transitions dipole moment

running wave laser field: $\vec{E}(t, \vec{x}) = 2\vec{E}_0 \cos(\omega_L t - \vec{k}_L \vec{x} + \varphi)$

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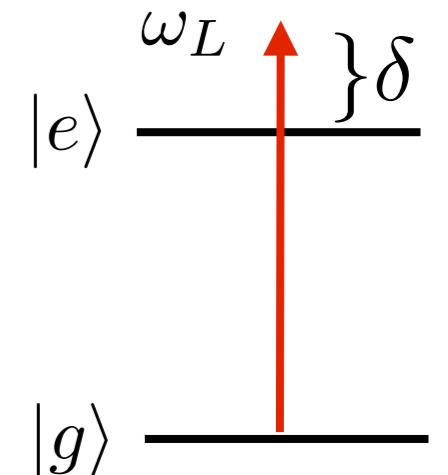
$$\Omega = \frac{2\vec{\mu}_{eg}\vec{E}_0}{\hbar}$$

Rabi frequency

Ion-laser interaction

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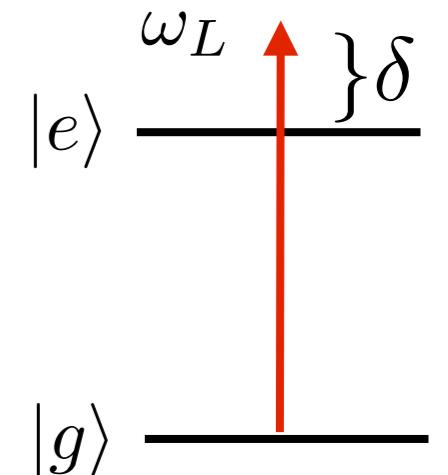


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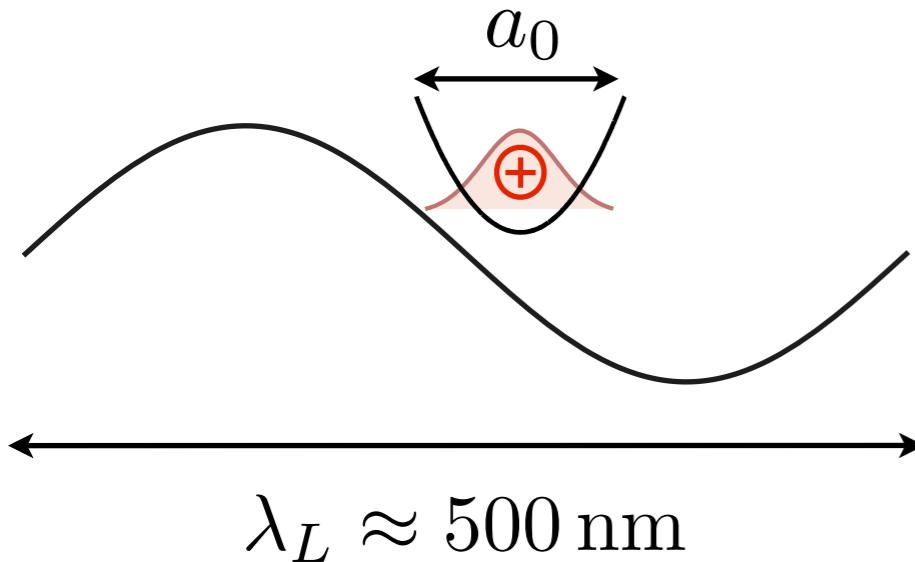
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Summary: Laser driven trapped ion (1D, z-direction)

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$$(\sigma_+ \equiv |e\rangle\langle g|, \sigma_- \equiv |g\rangle\langle e|, k \equiv \vec{e}_z \cdot \vec{k}_L)$$

Lamb-Dicke limit

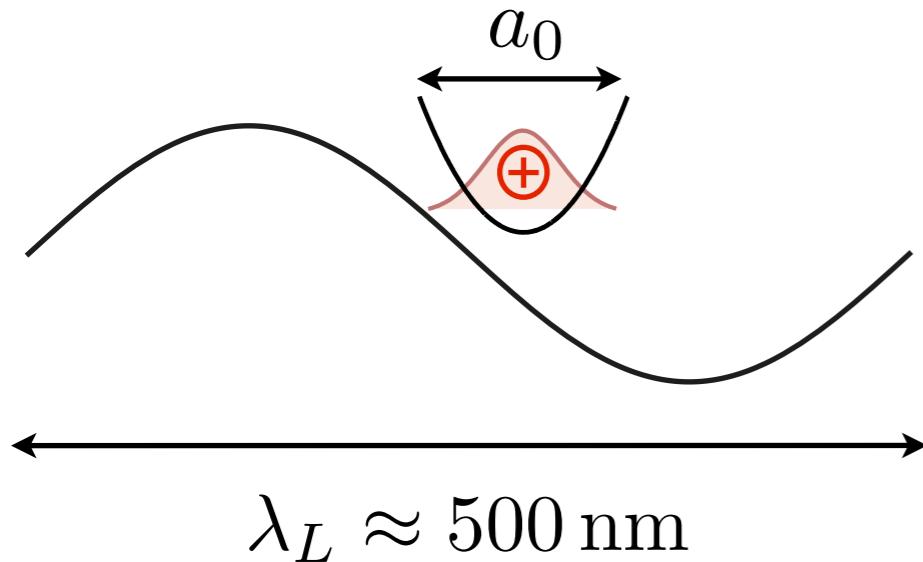


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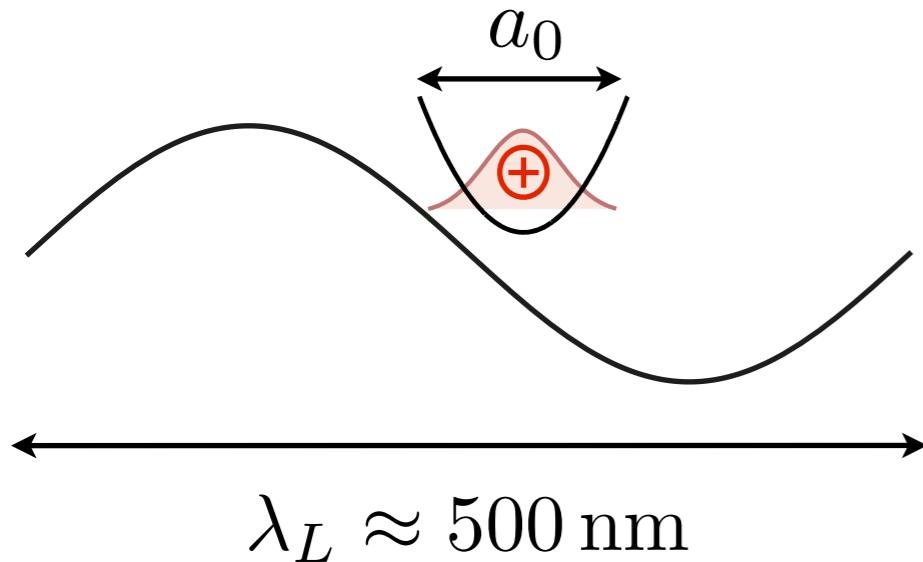
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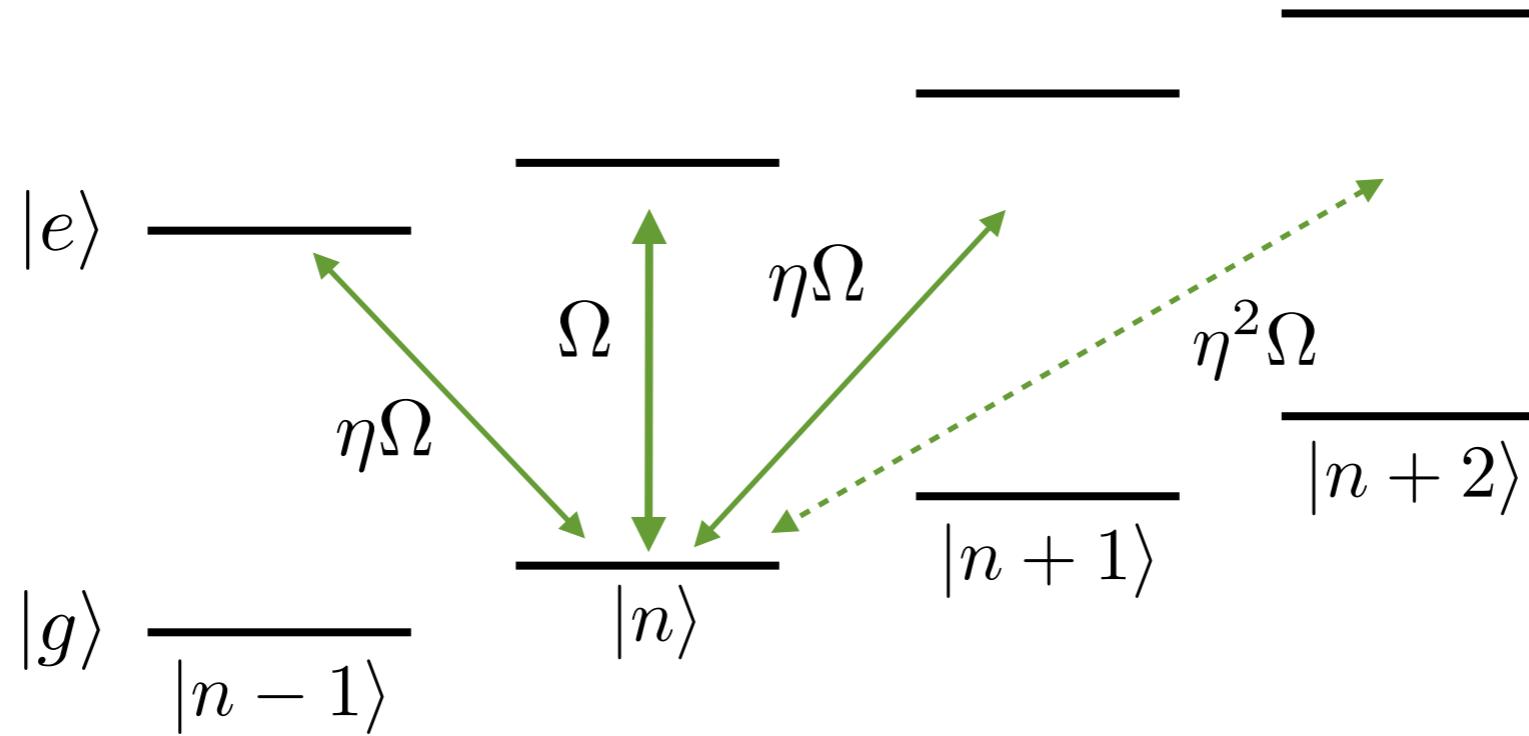
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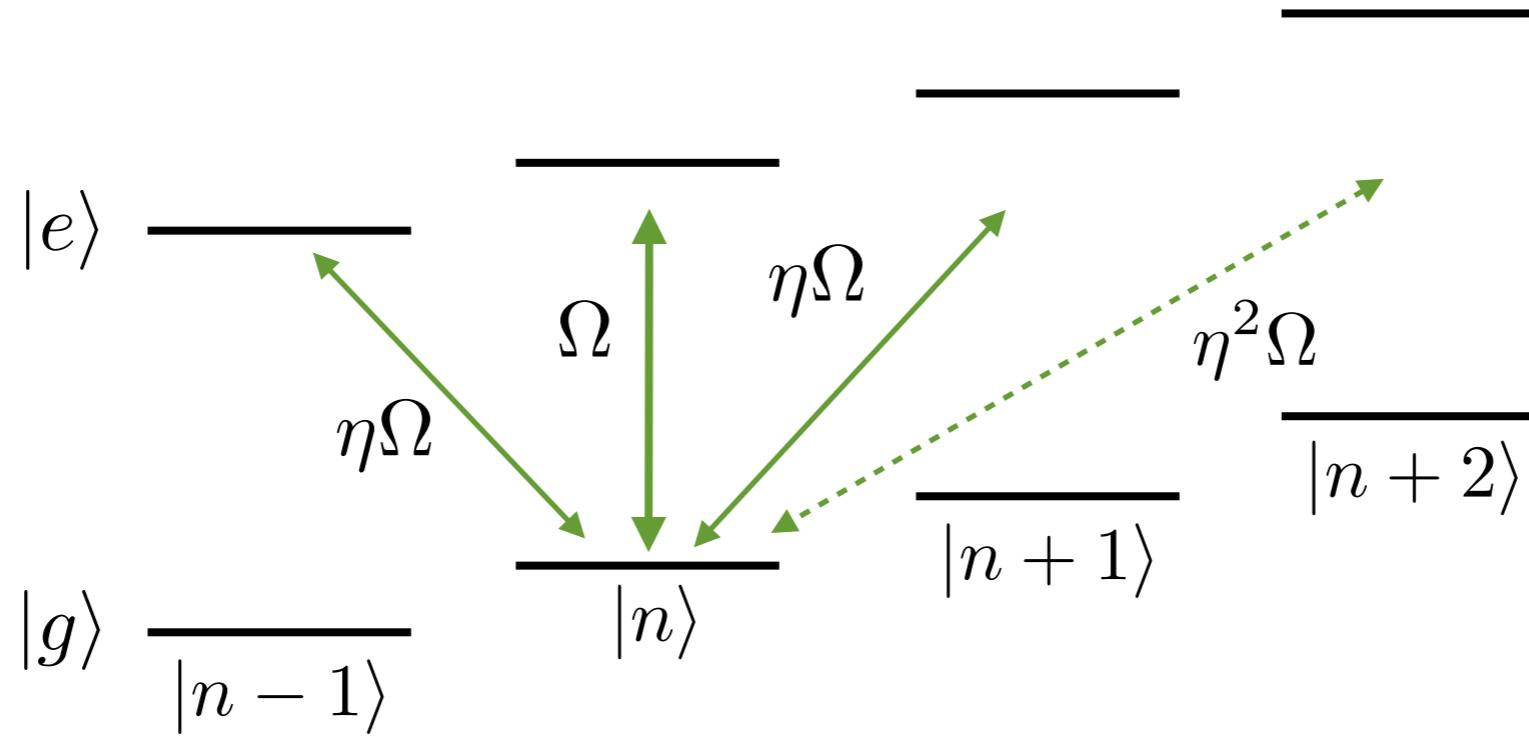
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Ion-laser interaction in the LD limit



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$$H(t) = \frac{\hbar\Omega}{2} \left(\sigma_+ e^{i\eta(ae^{-i\omega_t t} + a^\dagger e^{i\omega_t t})} e^{-i\delta t} + \text{H.c.} \right)$$

$$\simeq \frac{\hbar\Omega}{2} \left(\sigma_+ e^{-i\delta t} + i\eta a \sigma_+ e^{-i(\delta+\omega_t)t} + i\eta a^\dagger \sigma_+ e^{-i(\delta-\omega_t)t} + \text{H.c.} \right)$$

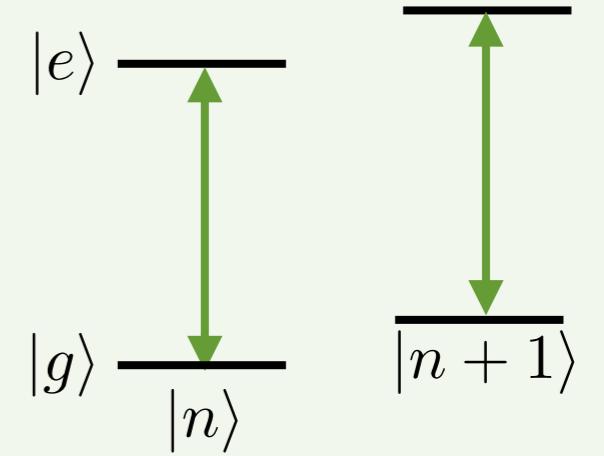
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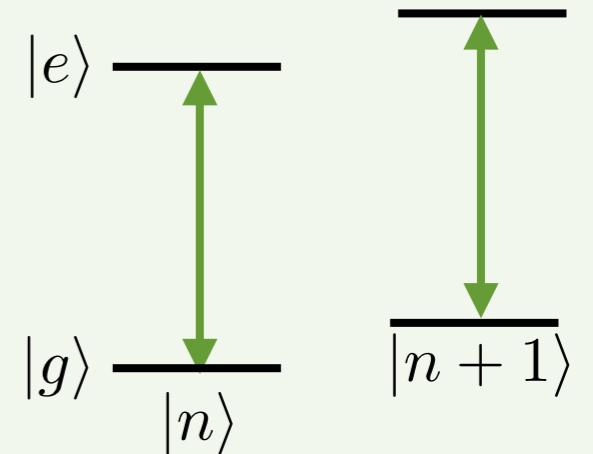


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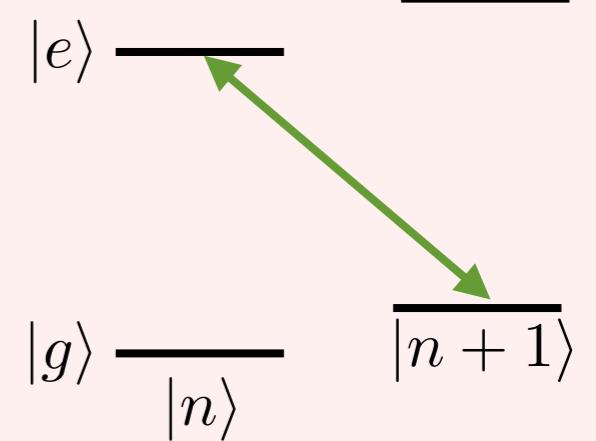
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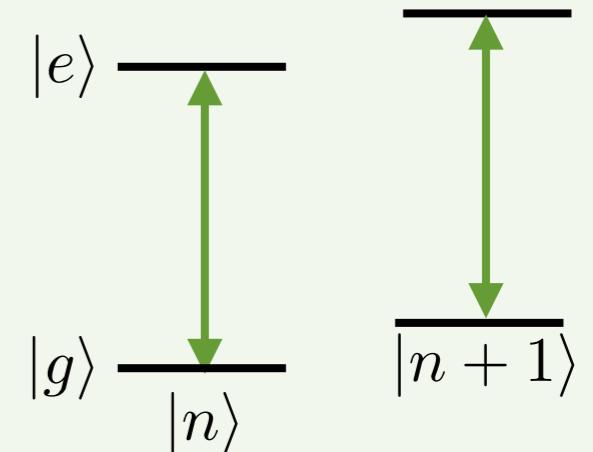


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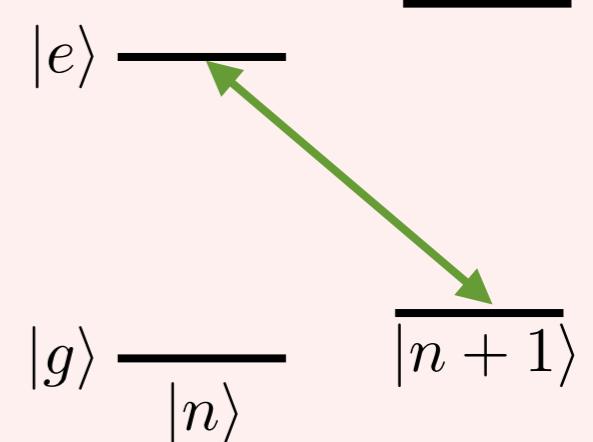
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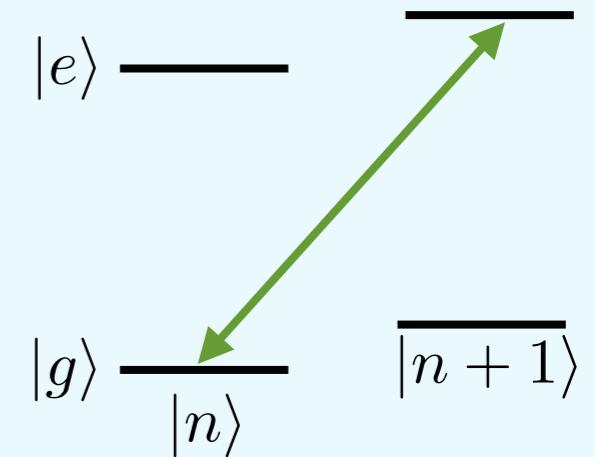
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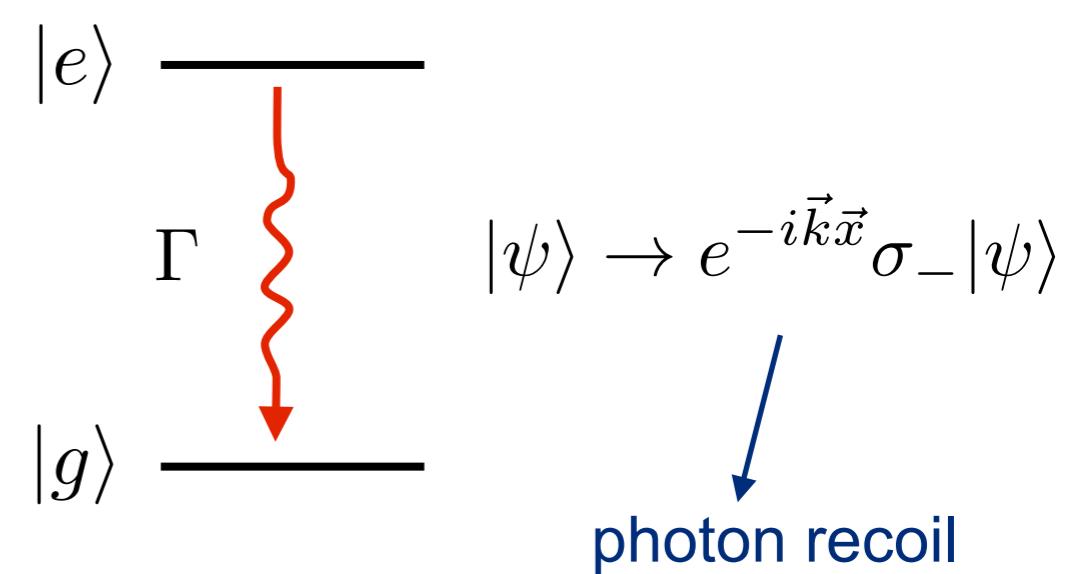
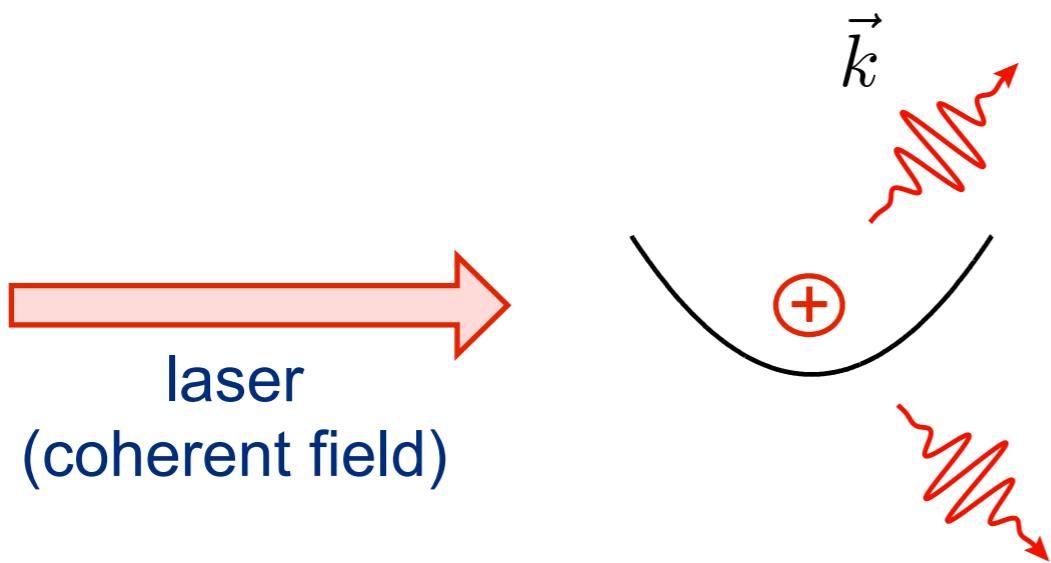
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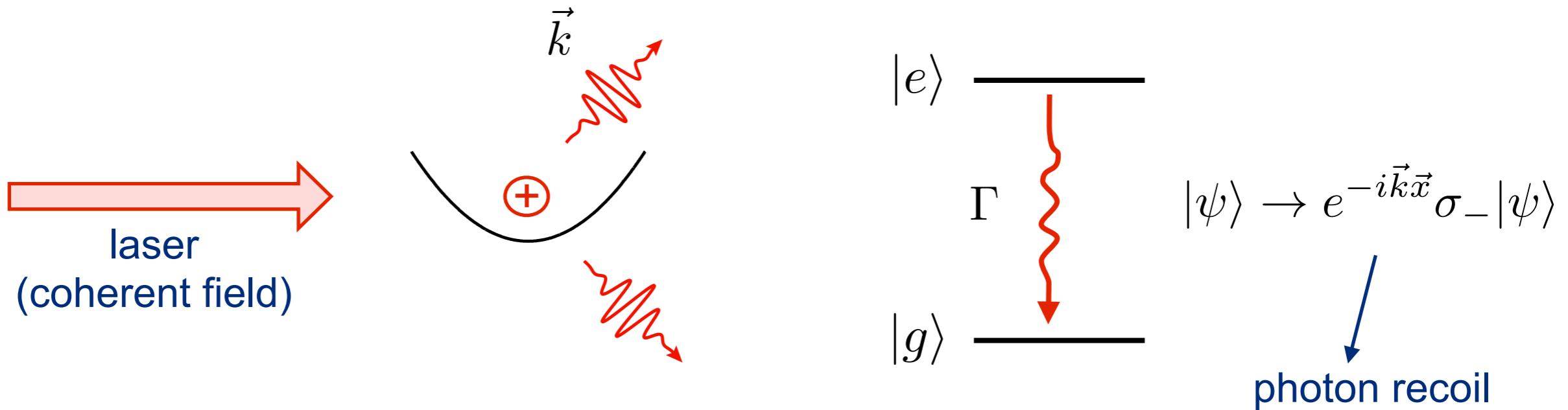


Dissipation & cooling

Spontaneous emission



Spontaneous emission



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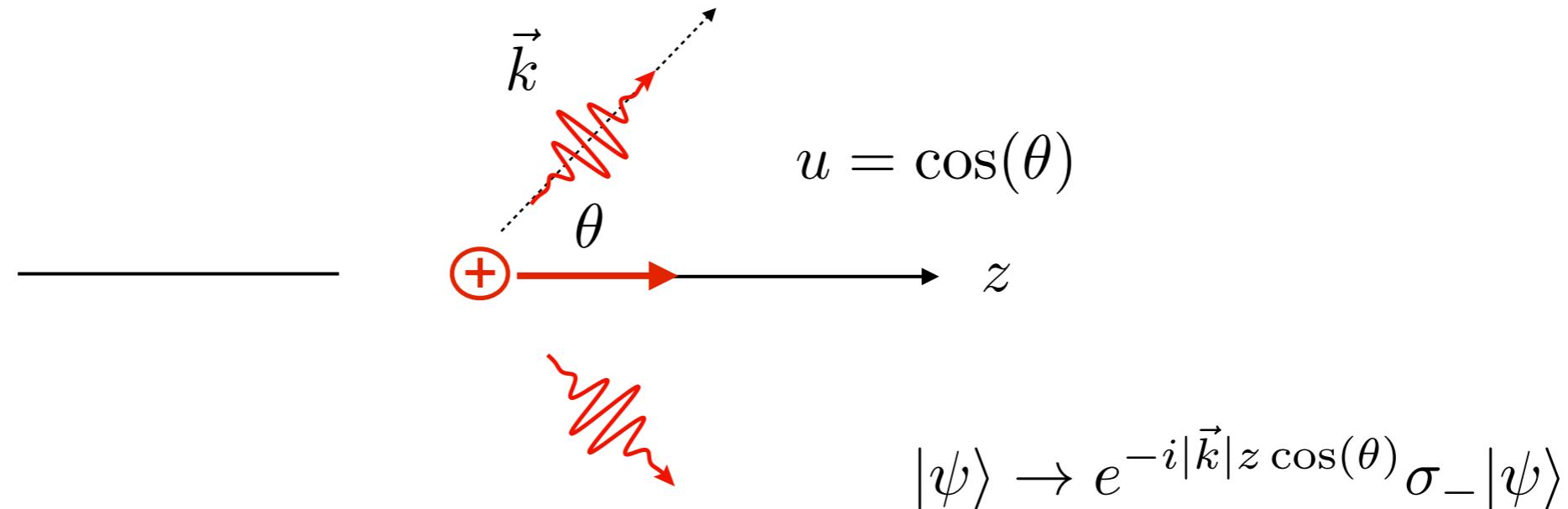
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dipole emission pattern

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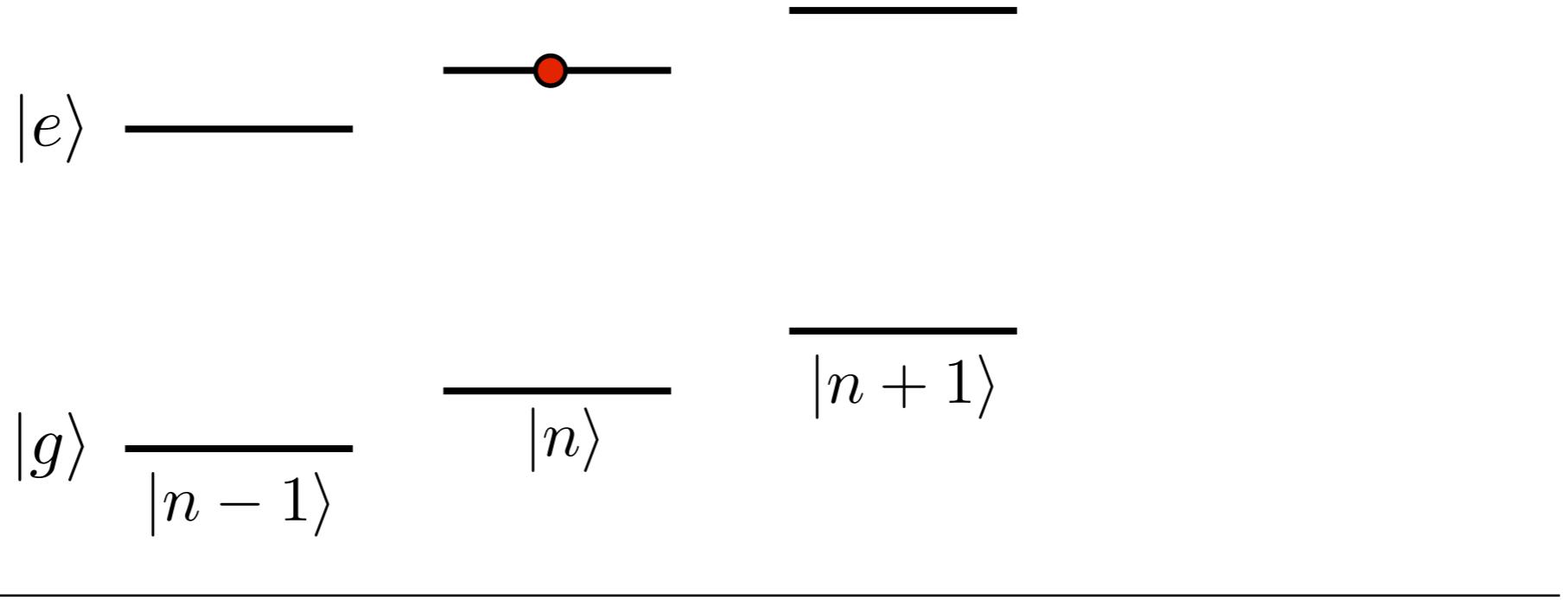
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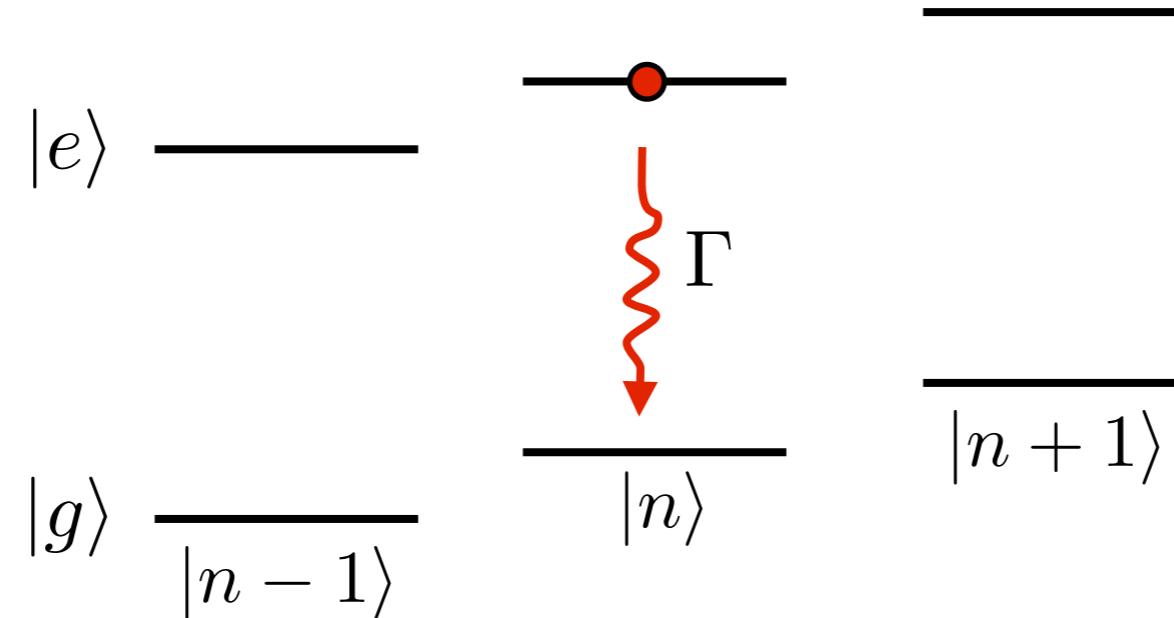
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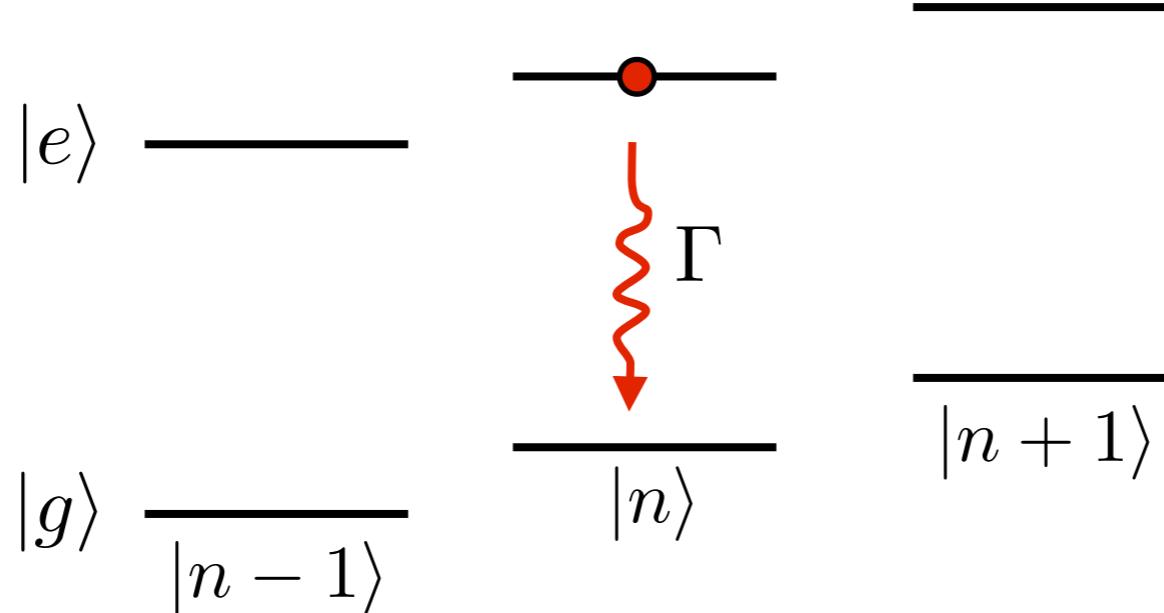


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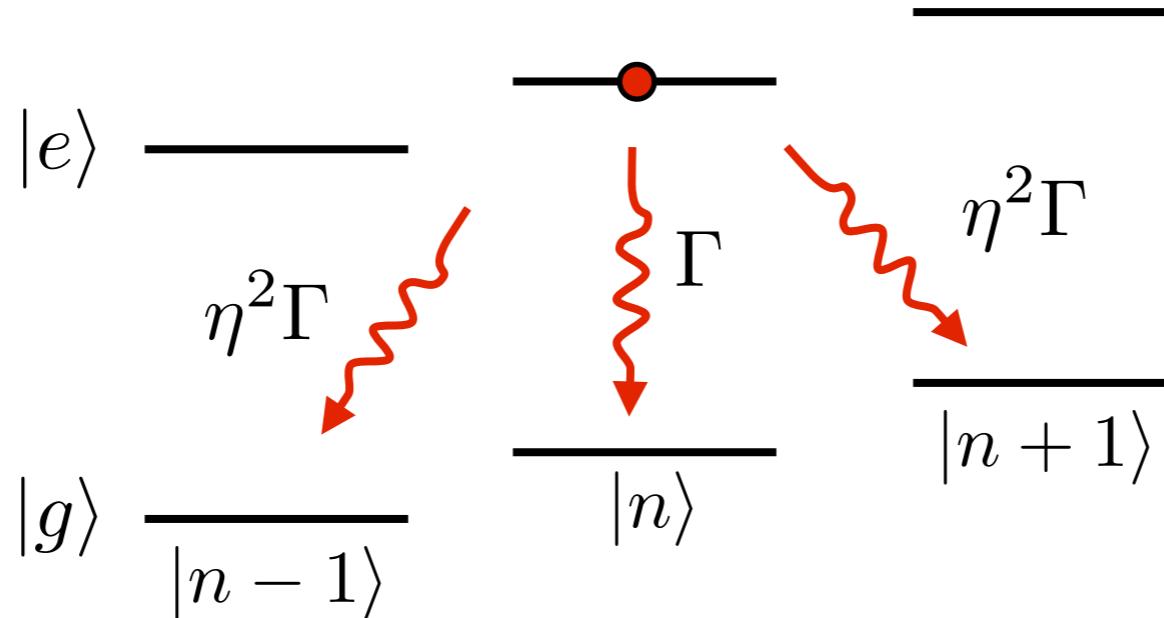
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diffusion !

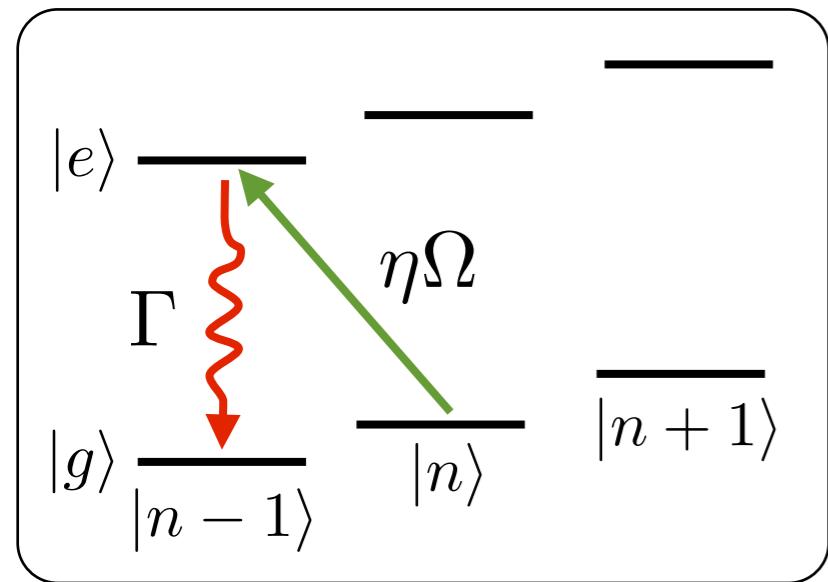
$$\mathcal{J}(\rho) \simeq \Gamma \sigma_- \rho \sigma_+ + \eta \Gamma \int_{-1}^1 du \underline{\Phi(u)u} (\dots) + \eta^2 \alpha \frac{\Gamma}{2} \sigma_- (2\bar{z}\rho\bar{z} - \bar{z}^2\rho - \rho\bar{z}^2) \sigma_+$$

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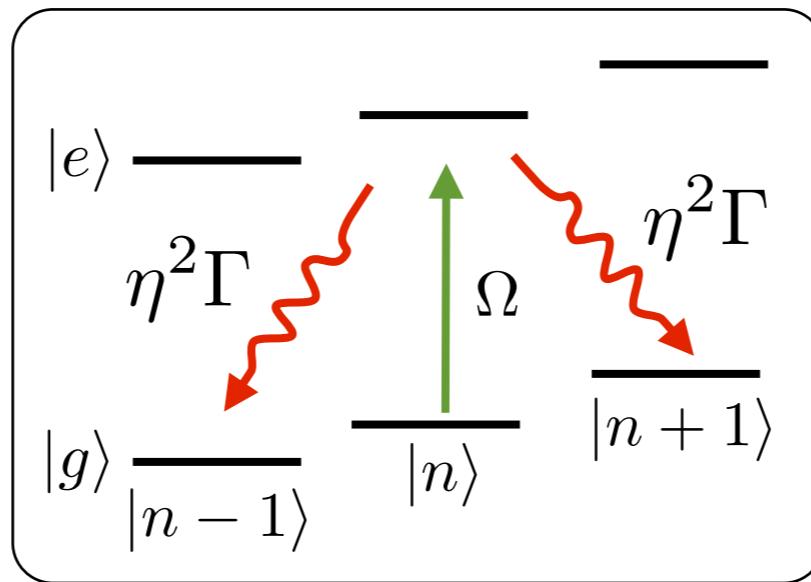
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$$= 0 \quad \alpha = \int_{-1}^1 du \Phi(u)u^2 = \frac{2}{5} \quad \bar{z} = (a + a^\dagger)$$

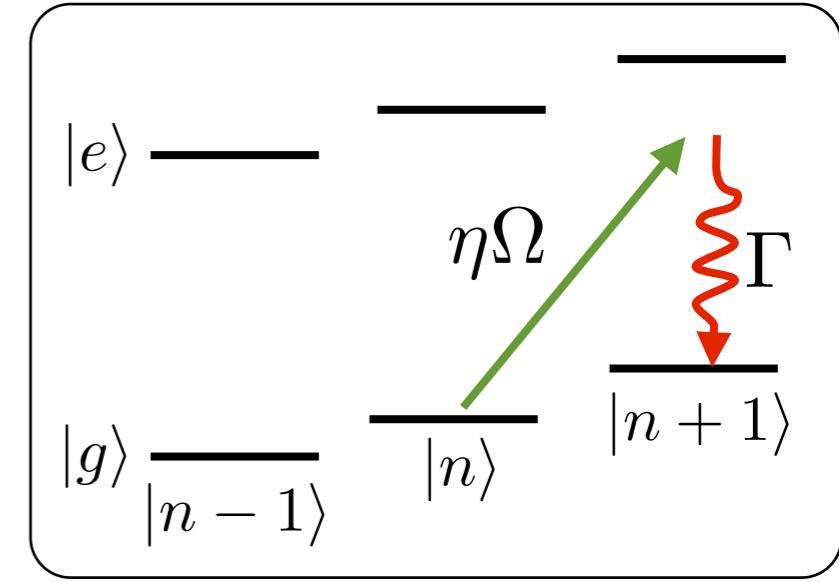
Laser cooling of trapped ions



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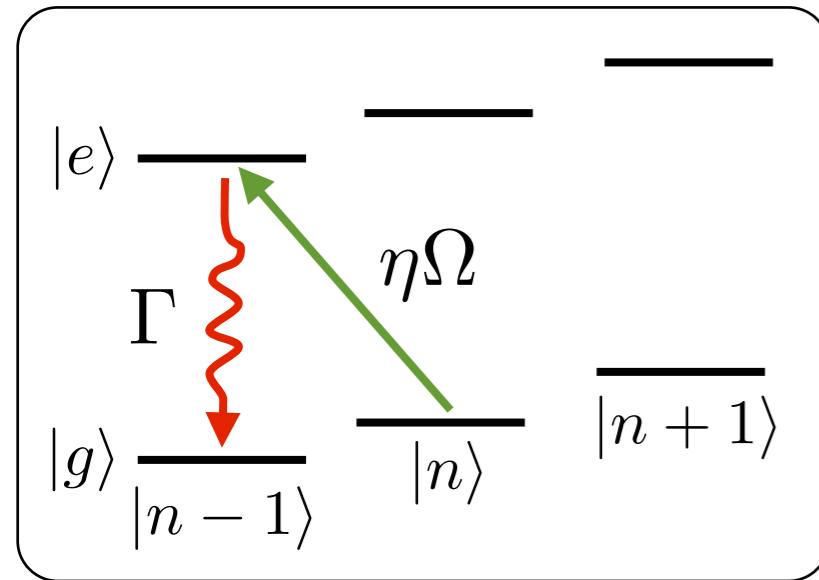


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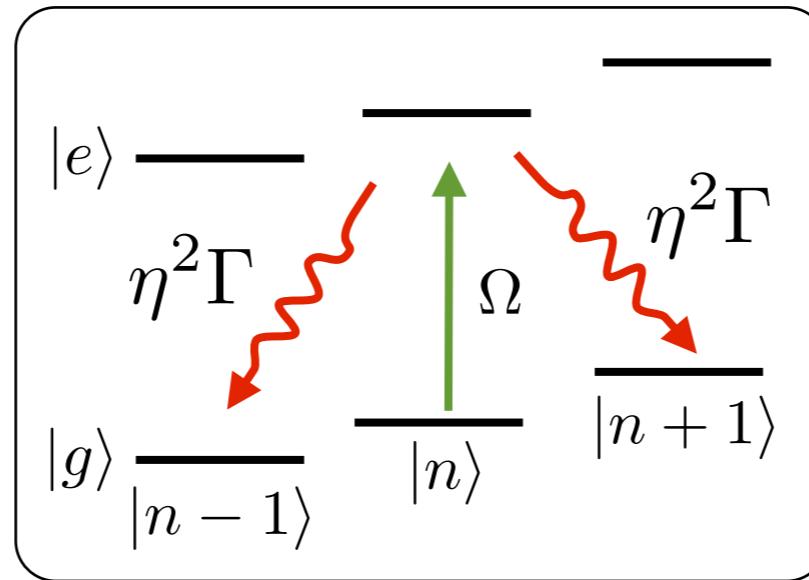


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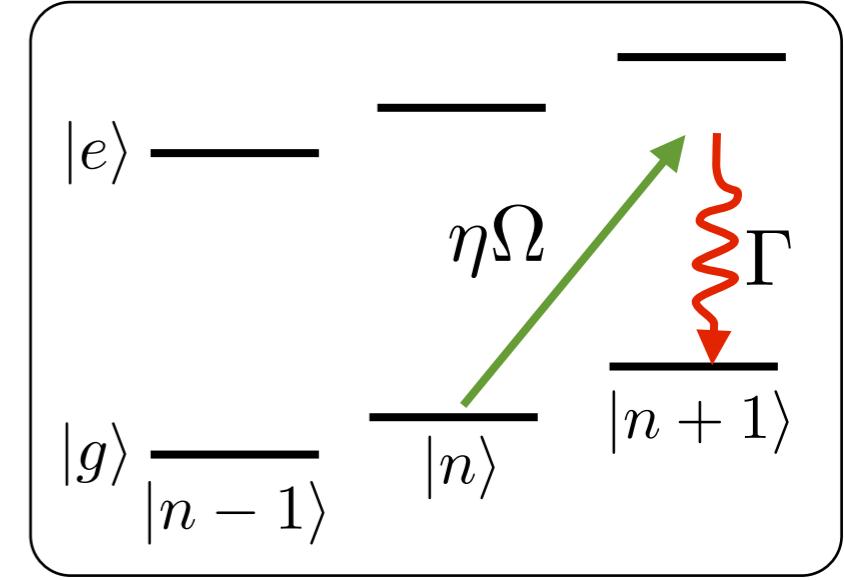
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Effective master equation [1]: $\rho_m = \text{Tr}_I\{\rho\}$

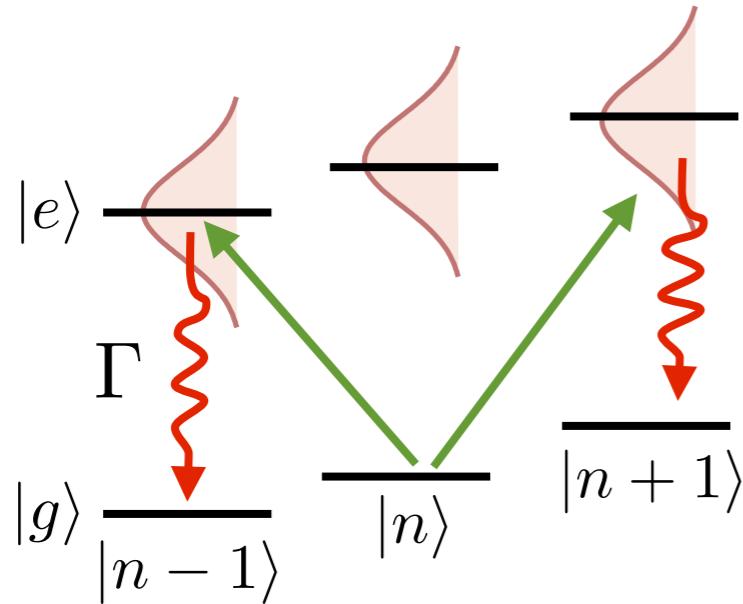
$$\dot{\rho}_m = A_-(2a\rho_m a^\dagger - a^\dagger a \rho_m - \rho_m a^\dagger a) + A_+(2a^\dagger \rho_m a - a a^\dagger \rho_m + \rho_m a a^\dagger)$$

(cooling) (heating)

heating / cooling rates: $A_{\pm} = \eta^2 \Gamma \frac{\Omega^2}{4} \left(\frac{1}{(\delta \mp \omega_m)^2 + \Gamma^2/4} + \frac{\alpha}{\delta^2 + \Gamma^2/4} \right)$

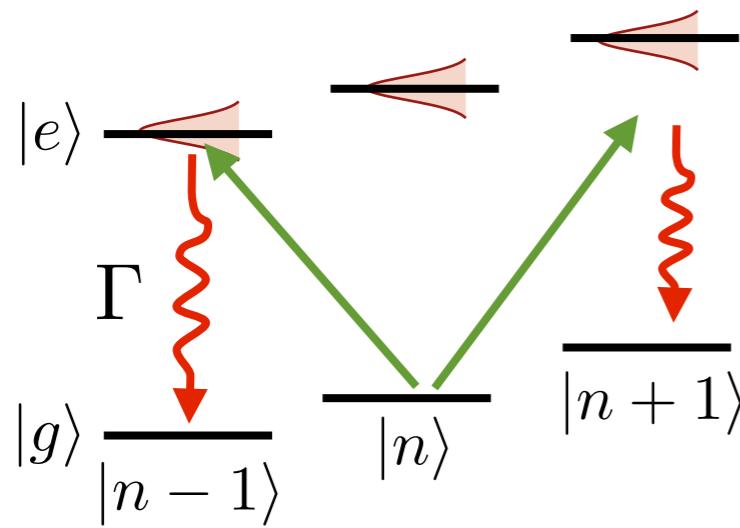
[1] e.g. J. I. Cirac et al., *PRA* **46**, 2668 (1992)

Laser cooling



Doppler cooling: $\Gamma \gg \omega_t$

$$\langle n \rangle = \frac{\Gamma}{4\omega_t} (1 + \alpha)$$



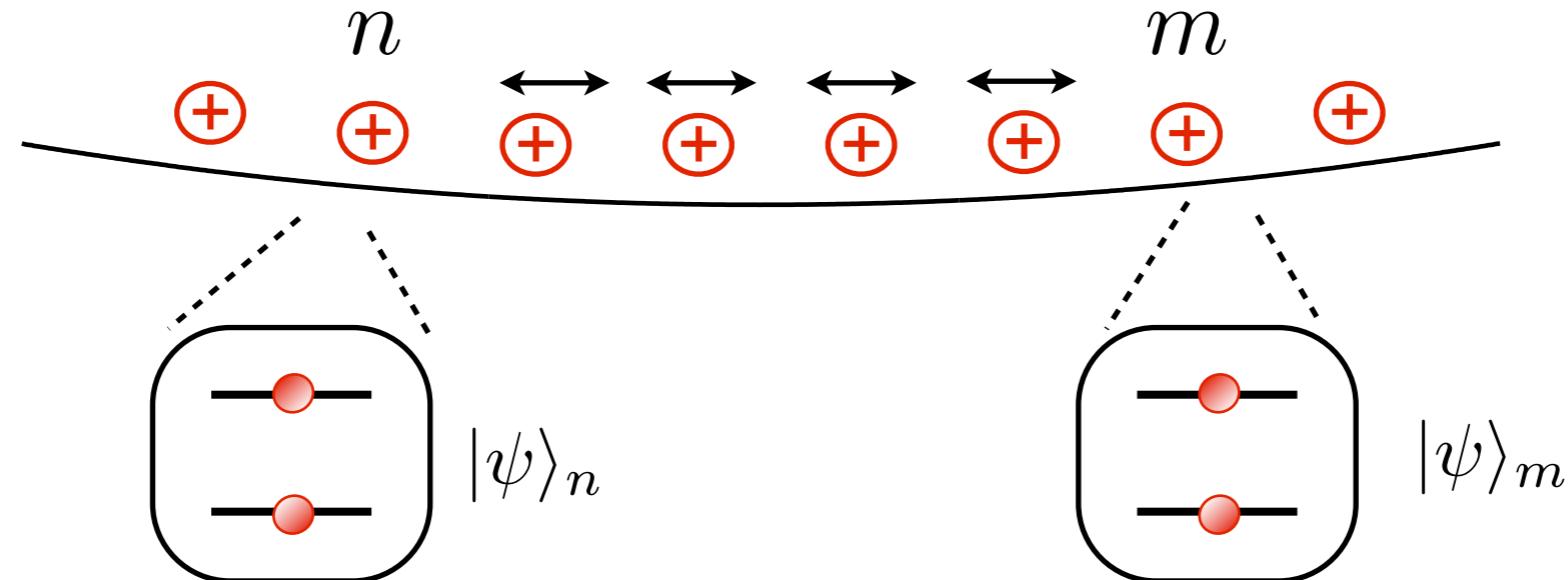
Sideband cooling: $\Gamma \ll \omega_t$

$$\langle n \rangle = \frac{\Gamma^2}{16\omega_t^2} (1 + 4\alpha) \ll 1^*)$$

*) $n < 0.01$ in typical trapped ion experiments

Part II) Quantum computing with trapped ions

Quantum computing with trapped ions



Basic idea:

- ▶ *Encode qubits in long-lived internal states of trapped ion ions.*
- ▶ *Single qubit rotations, initialization and readout using focused lasers.*
- ▶ *Two qubit gates using collective phonon modes as a quantum bus.*

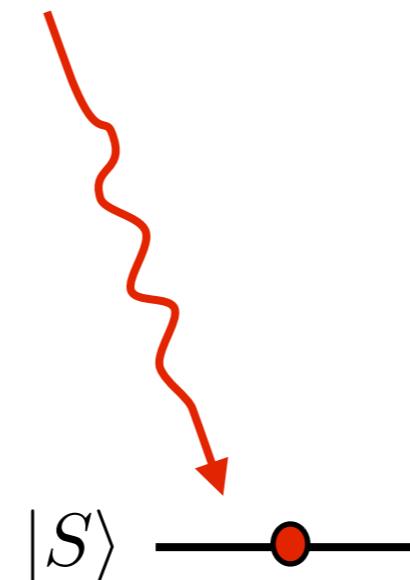
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(e.g. R. Blatt, Innsbruck)

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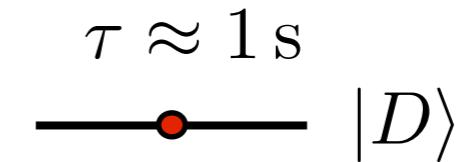
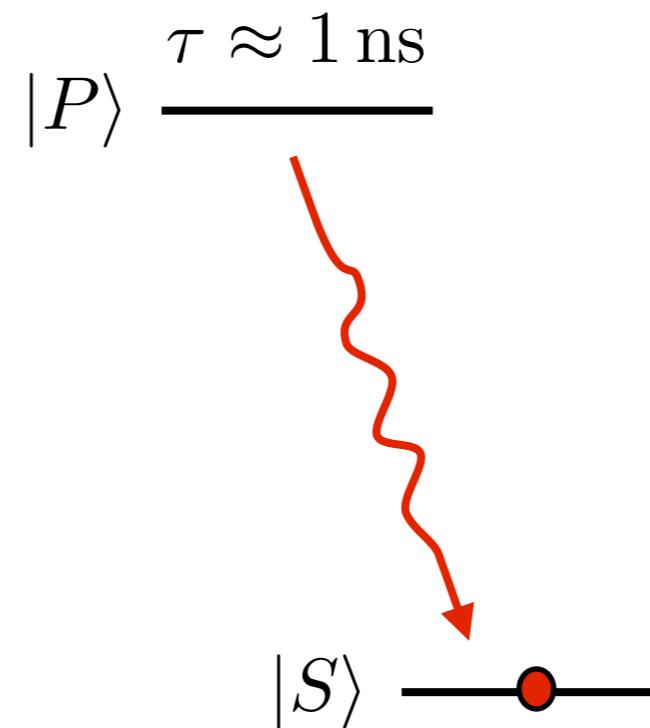
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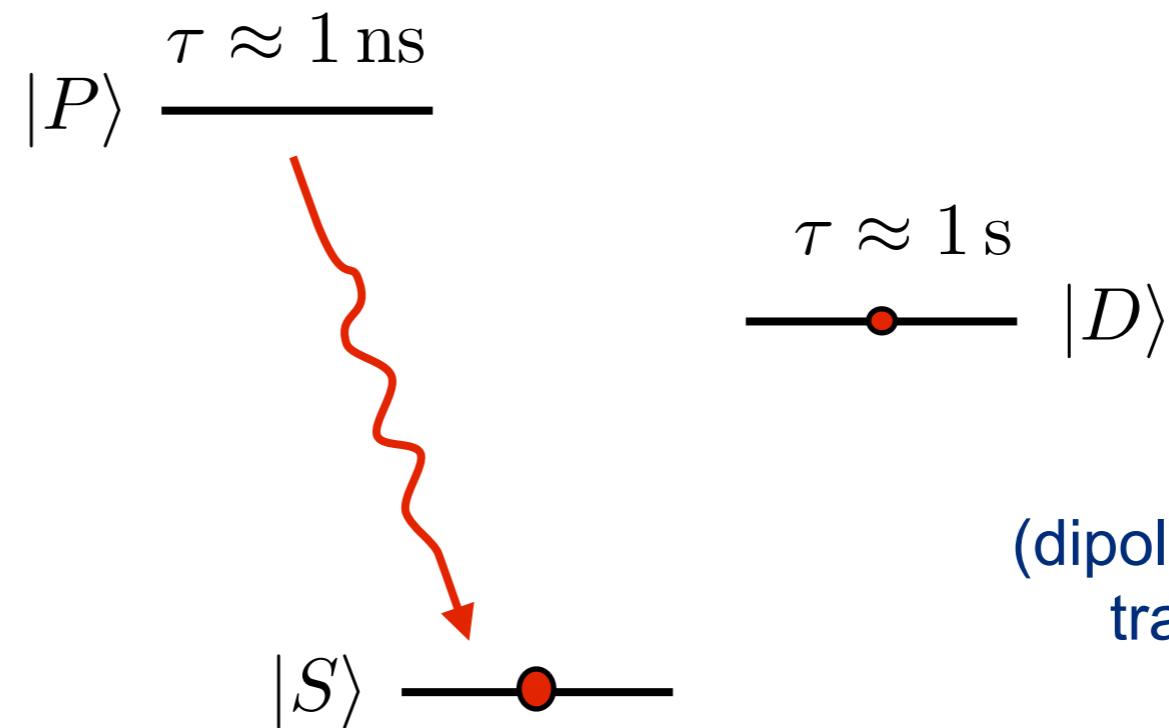
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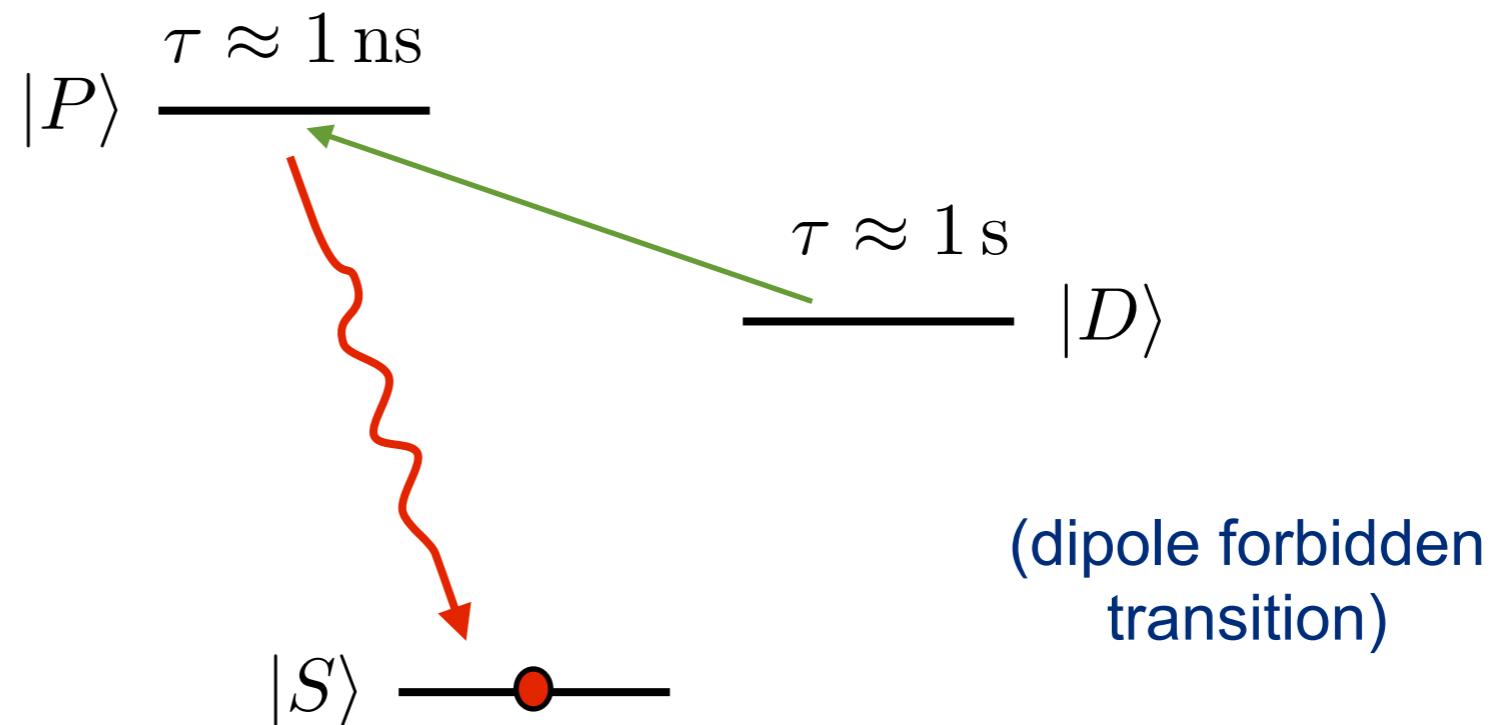
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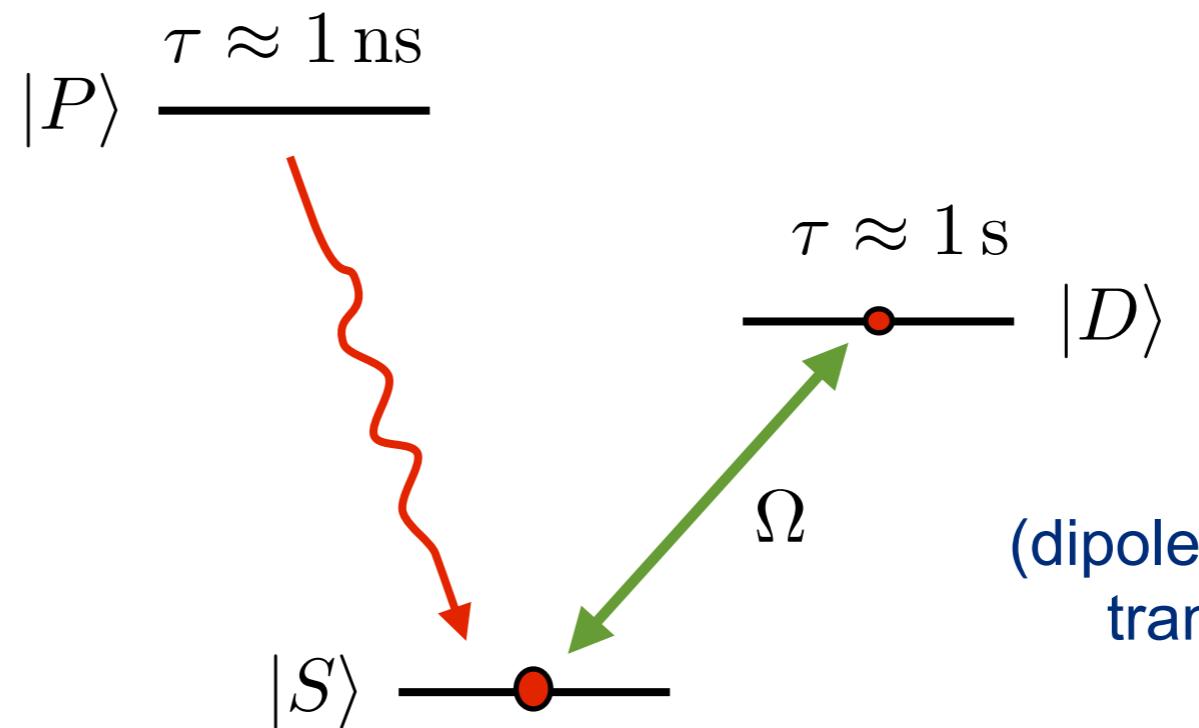


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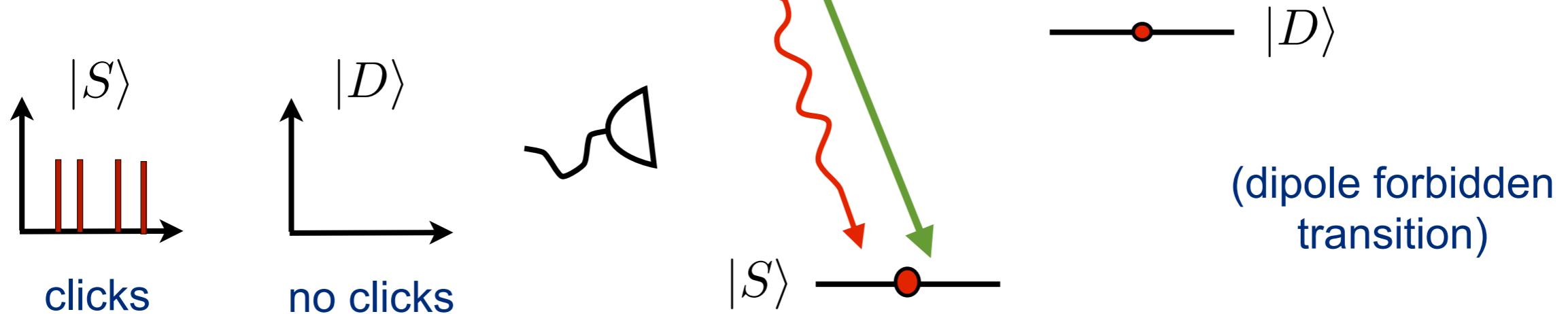


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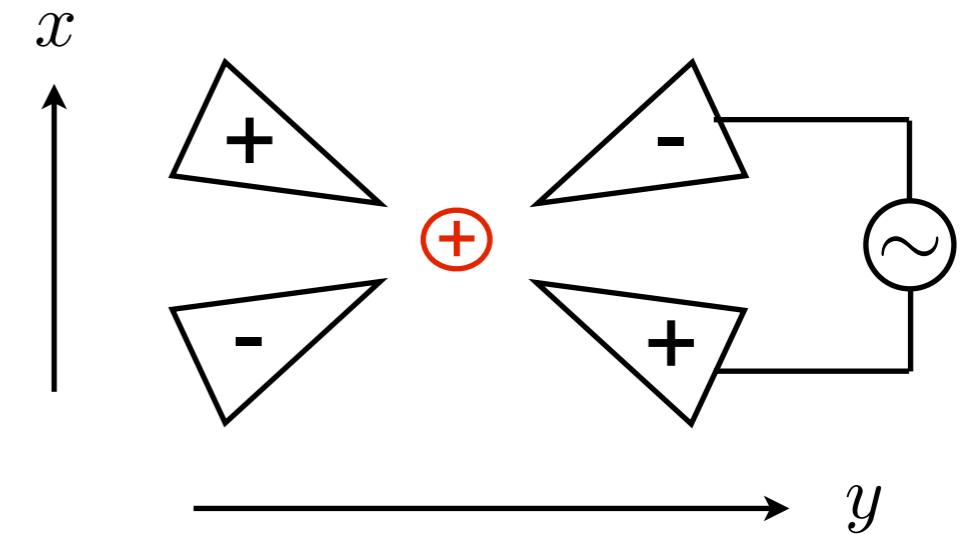
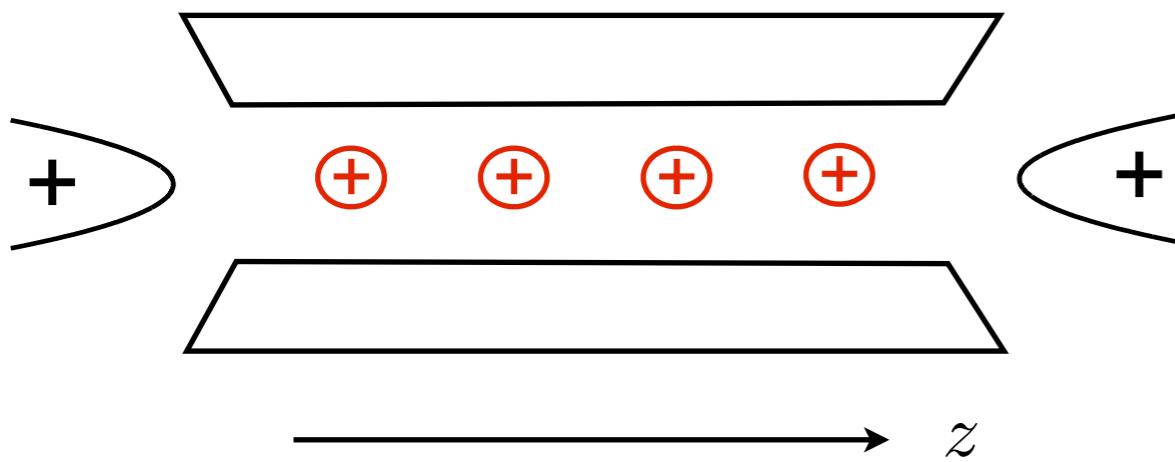
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Phonon quantum bus

Linear Paul trap



Hamiltonian (N ions):

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Potential energy:

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3D trapping
potential

Coulomb repulsion

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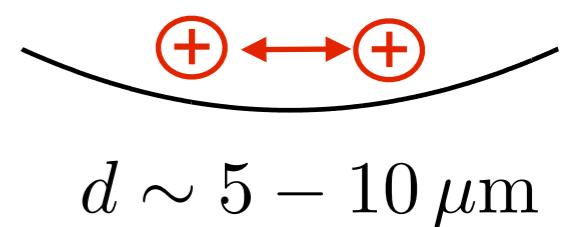
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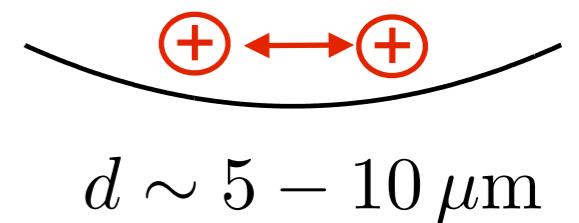
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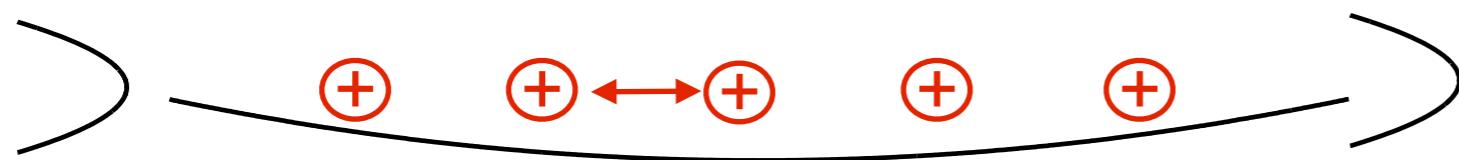
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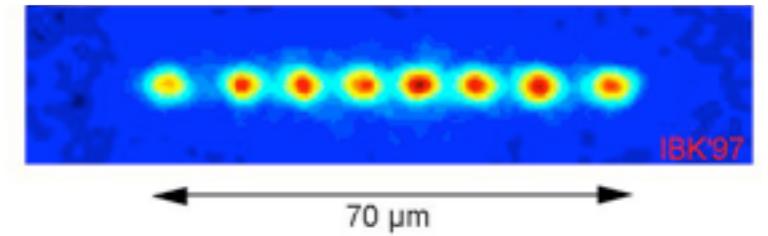
- General N>2 (numerically):



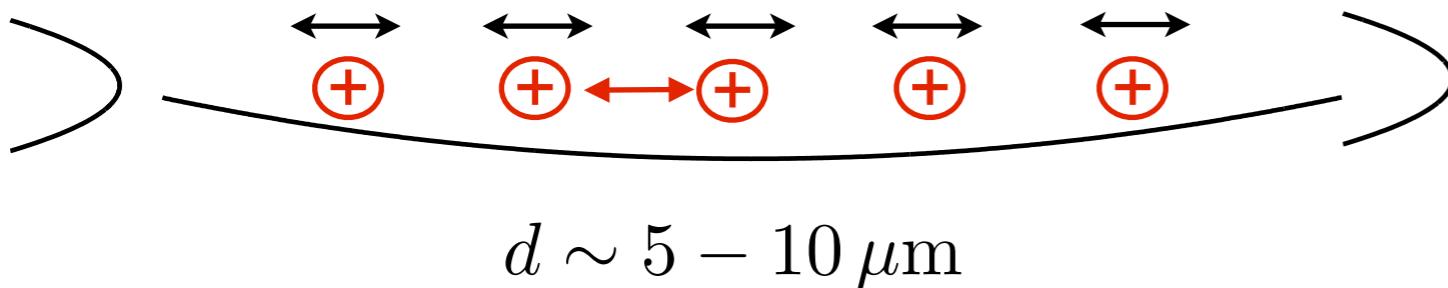
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$$\omega_z \ll \omega_{x,y}$$

- ▶ *linear chain of largely spaced ions*
- ▶ *individual addressing with lasers !*



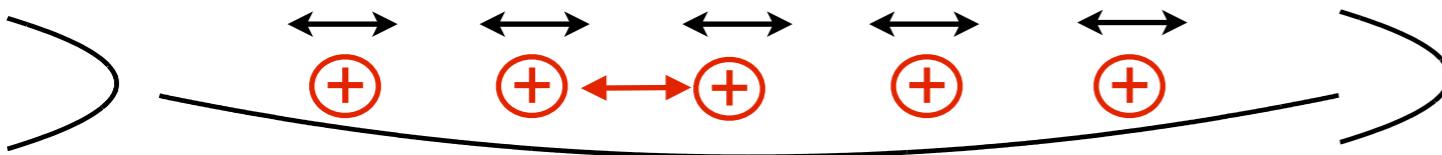
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\Rightarrow harmonic approximation (1D, z-direction):

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$= 0$

$$K_{ij} = \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial z_i \partial z_j} \Big|_{\vec{r}_i^0}$$

► **Chain of coupled harmonic oscillators:**

$$H = \sum_i \frac{p_i^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} K_{ij} z_i z_j$$

Collective phonon modes

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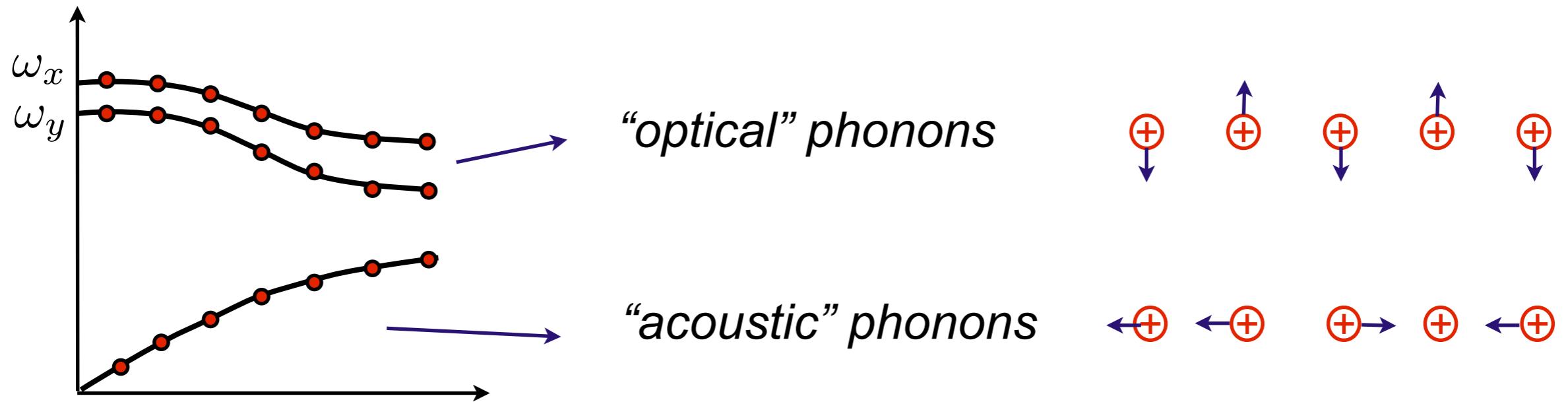
- *Ansatz:*
$$z_i(t) = \sum_{n=1}^N \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega_n}} c_n(i) (a_n e^{-i\omega_n t} + a_n^\dagger e^{i\omega_n t})$$

⇒ *Eigenvalue problem for orthonormal set of modefunctions* $c_n(i)$:

$$\omega_n^2 c_n(i) - \sum_j \frac{K_{ij}}{m} c_n(j) = 0 \quad [z_i, p_j] = i\hbar \delta_{ij} \rightarrow \sum_n c_n(i) c_n(j) = \delta_{ij}$$

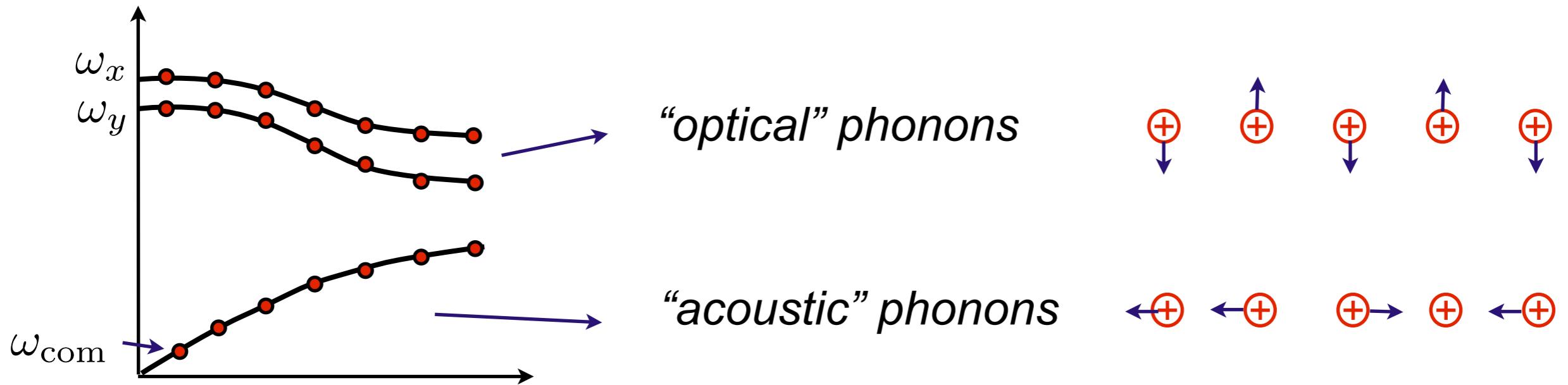
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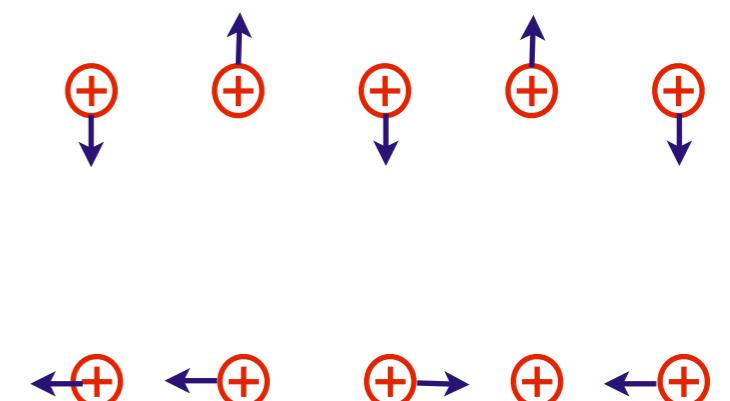


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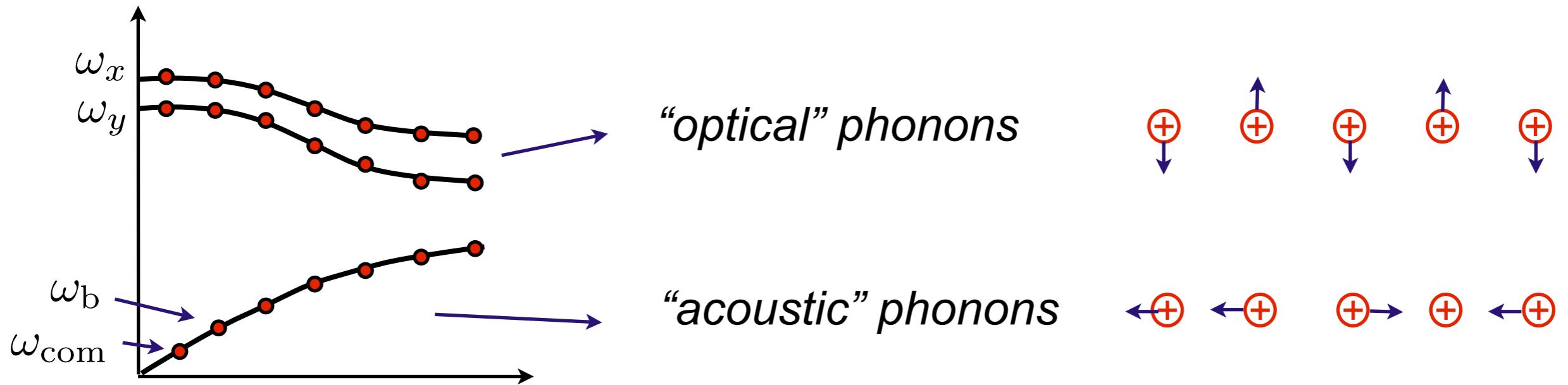


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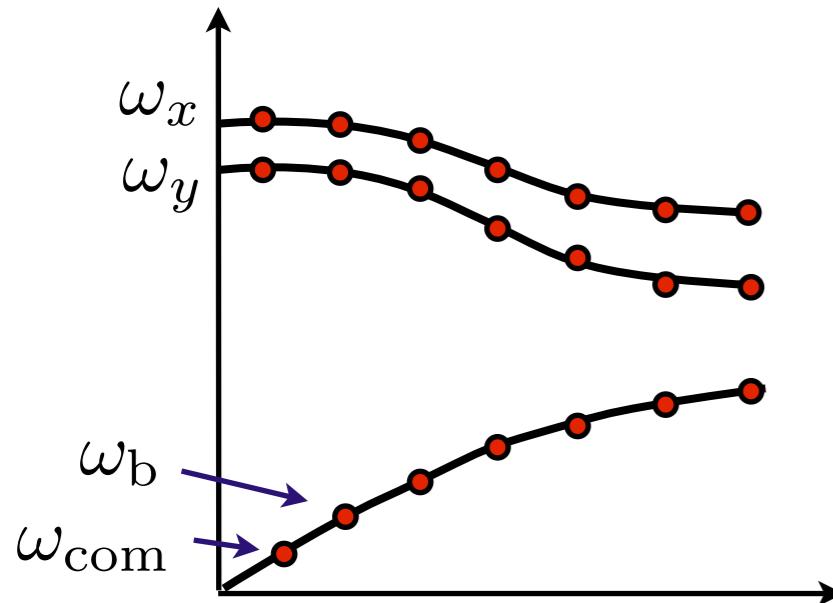
$$\omega_b = \sqrt{3}\omega_z$$



$$c_b(i) \sim i$$

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$$\Delta\omega = \omega_b - \omega_{\text{com}} = (\sqrt{3} - 1)\omega_z$$

► mode spacing (apparently) independent of N

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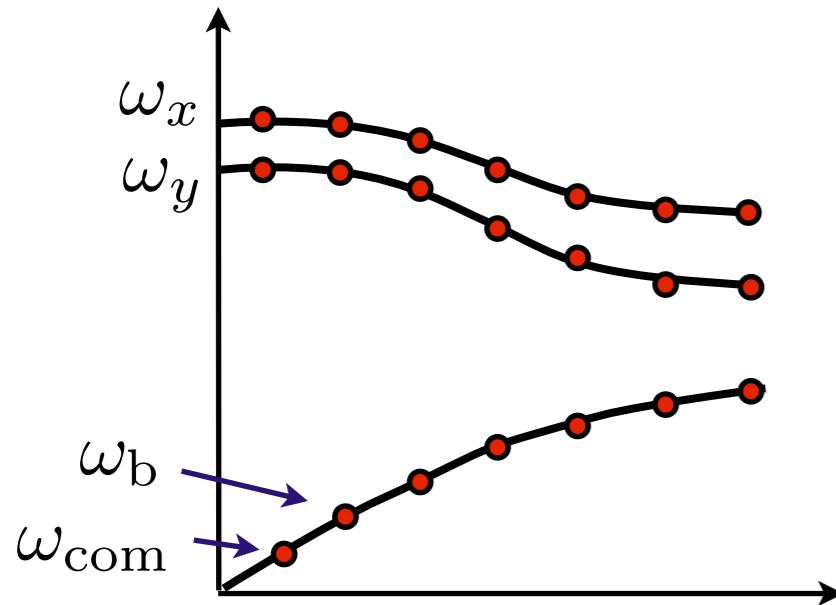
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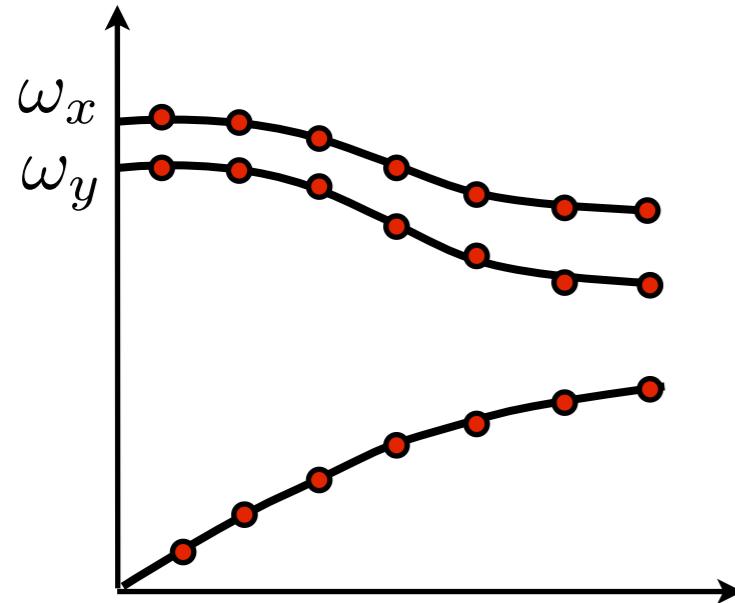
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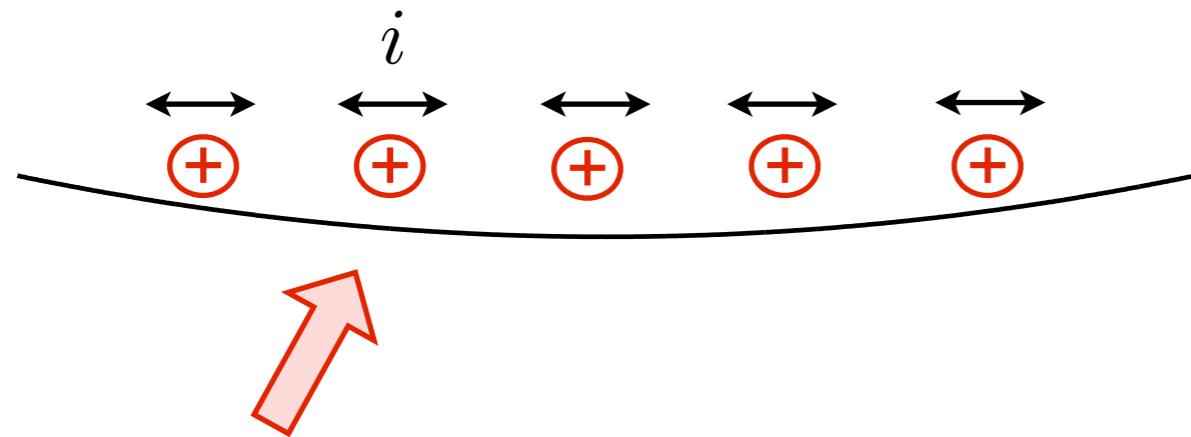
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With increasing N the trapping frequency ω_z must be lowered to avoid instabilities.



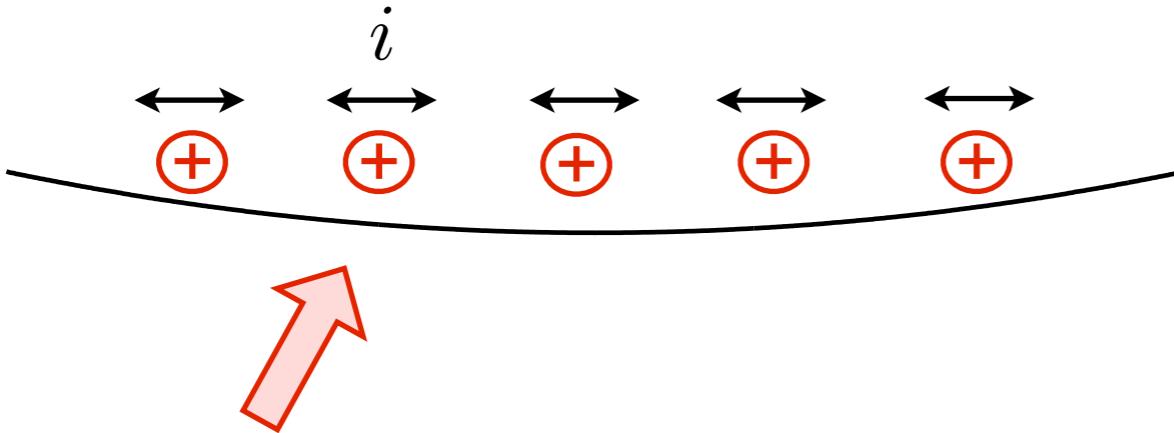
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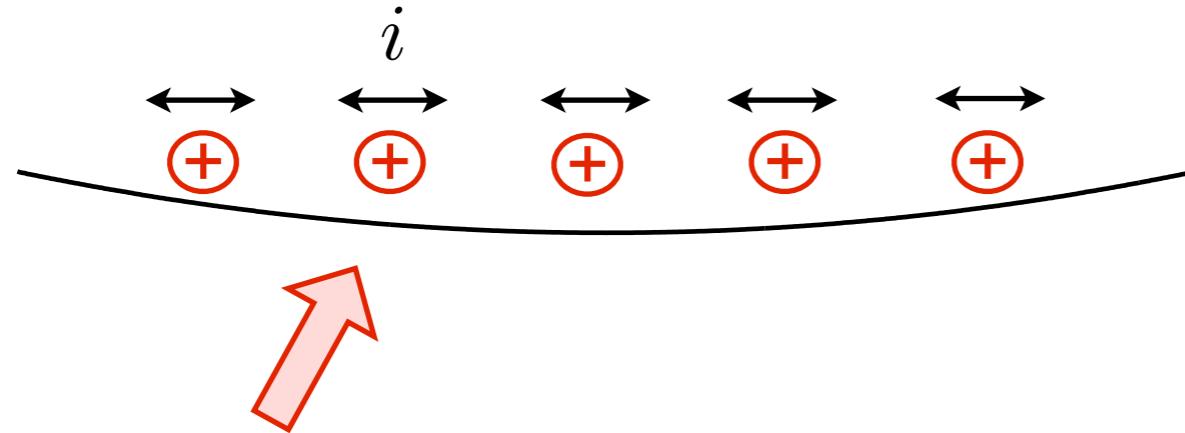
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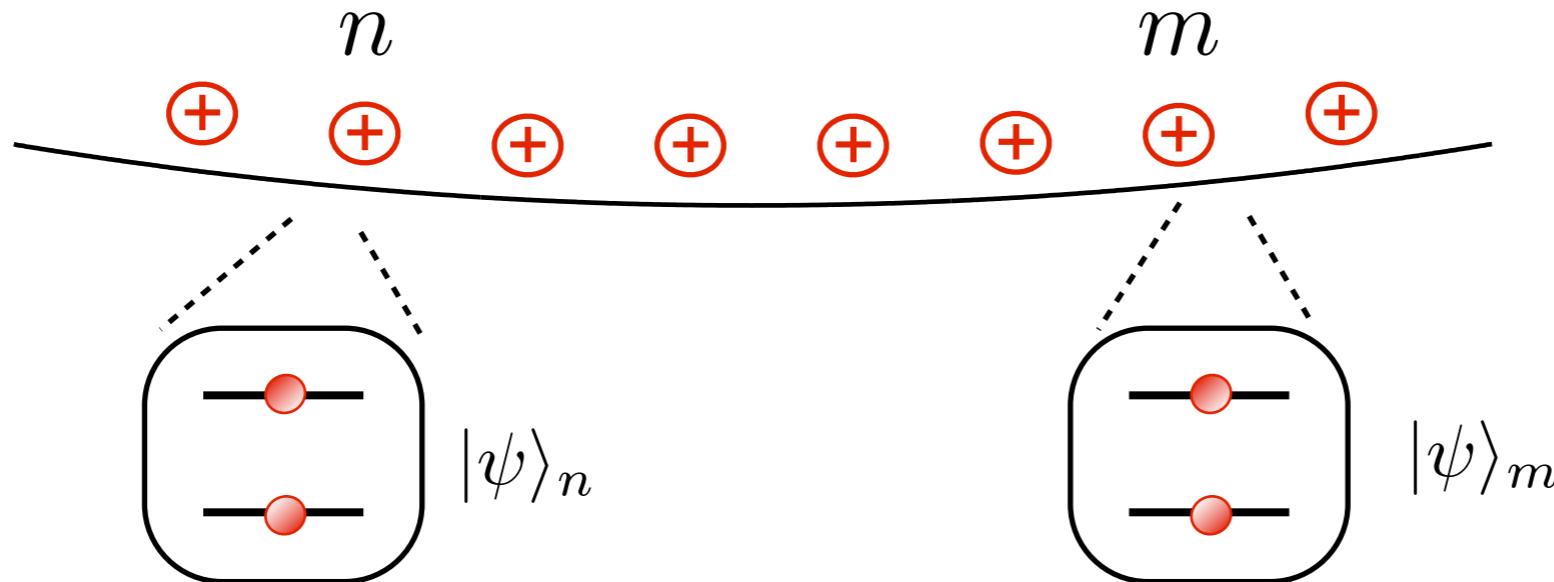
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- ▶ Speed of gate operations (below) limited by mode spacing.

Two qubit gates

Cirac-Zoller gate



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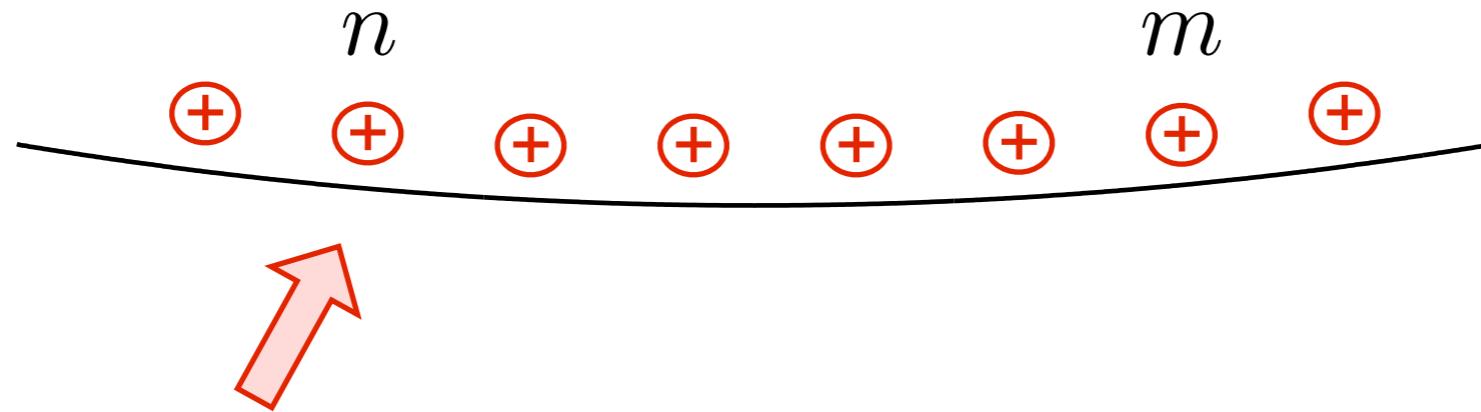
- Ions n and m in arbitrary states $|\psi\rangle_n$ and $|\psi\rangle_m$
- COM mode cooled to the ground state $|0\rangle_p$

Goal:

$$U = U_{\text{gate}}^{nm} \otimes \mathbb{1}_p$$

e.g. $U_{\text{PHASE}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

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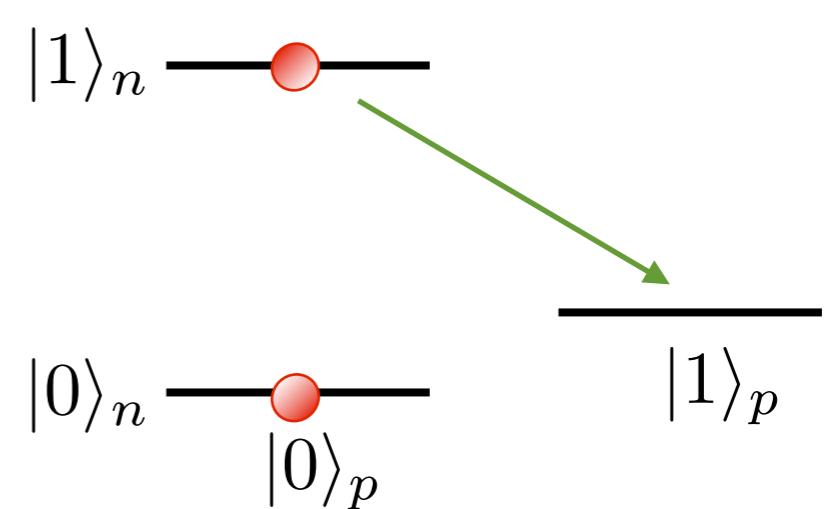


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$$|\psi\rangle_i = (\alpha_n|0\rangle_n + \beta_n|1\rangle_n)|0\rangle_p|\psi_m\rangle$$

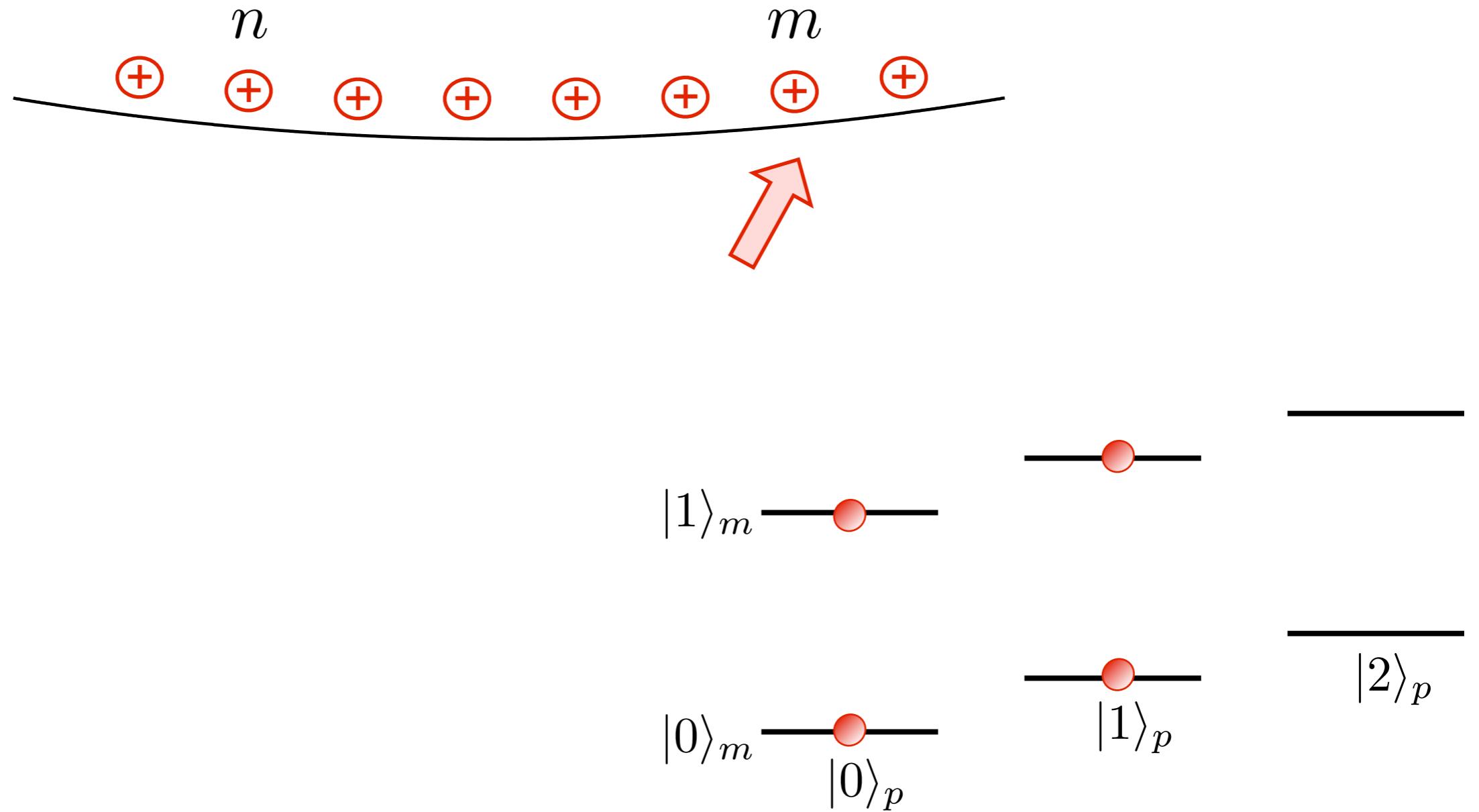


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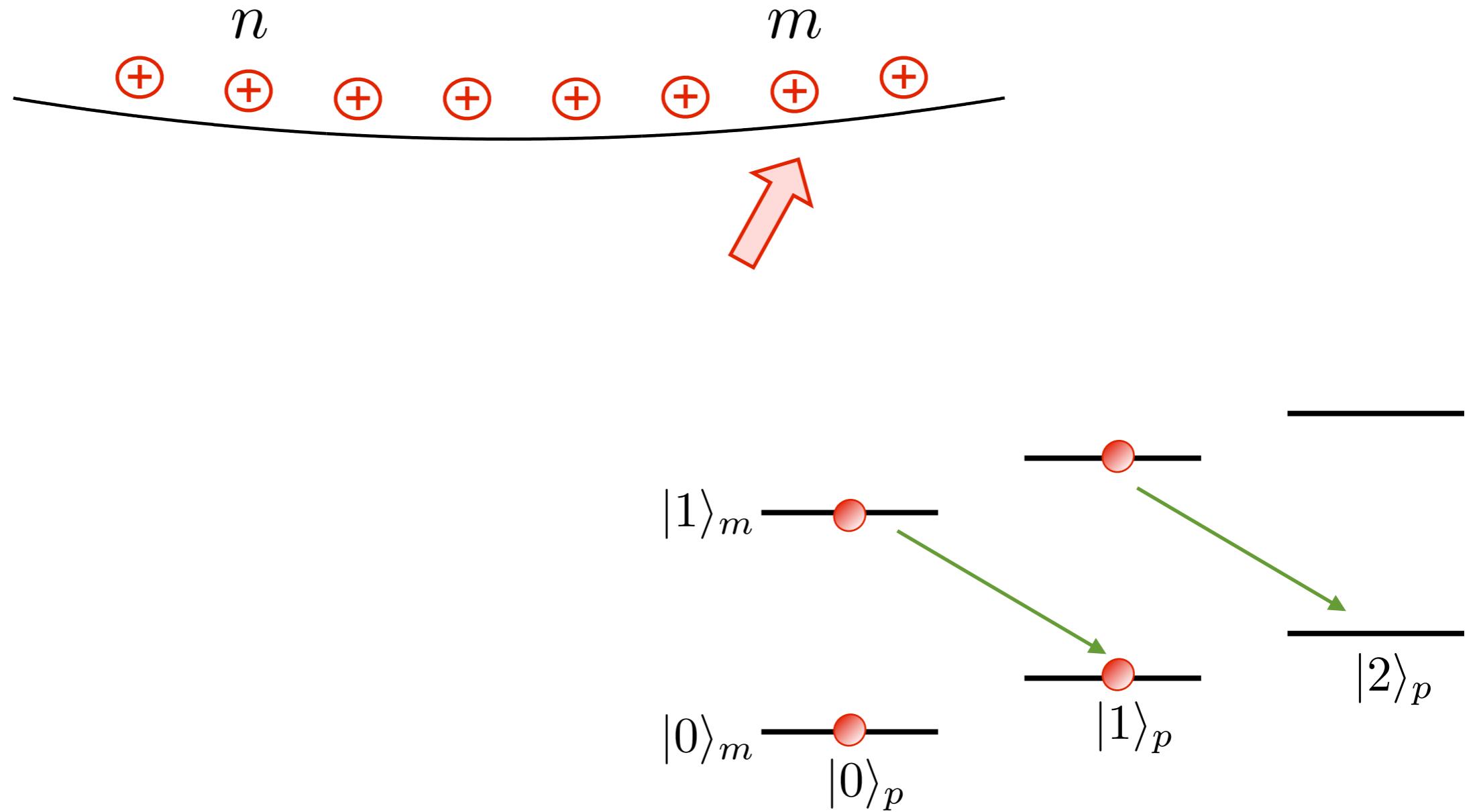
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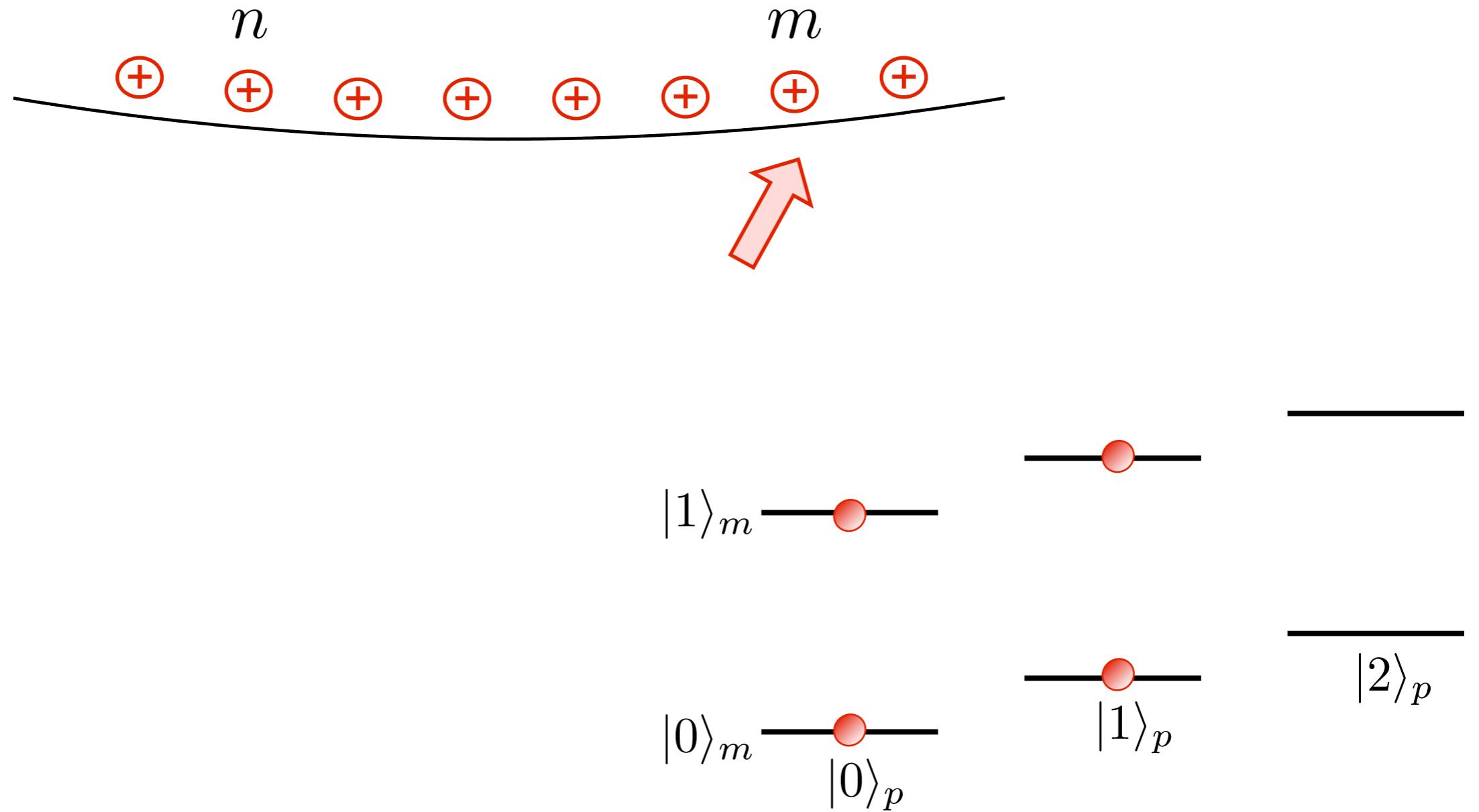
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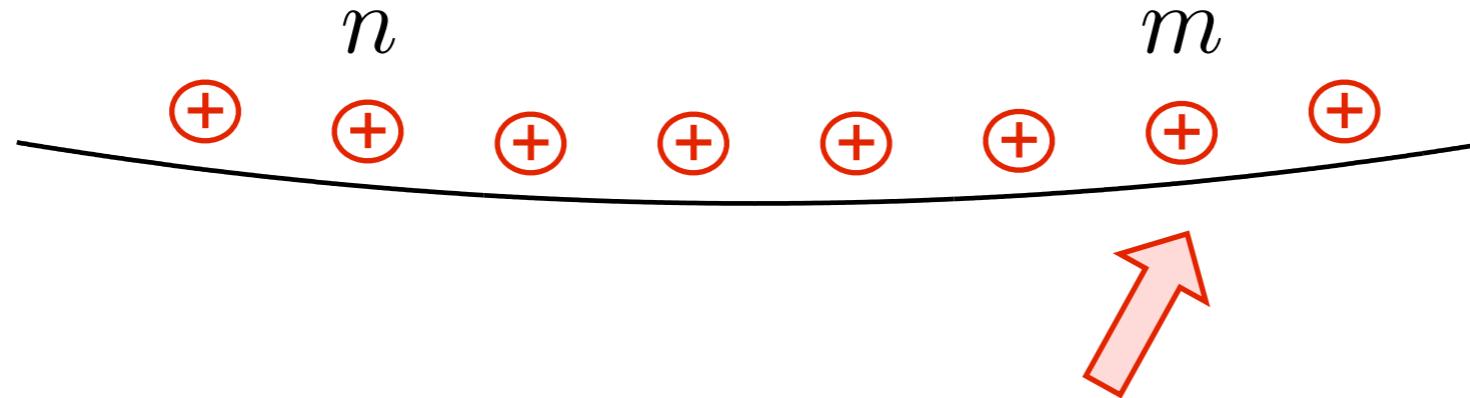
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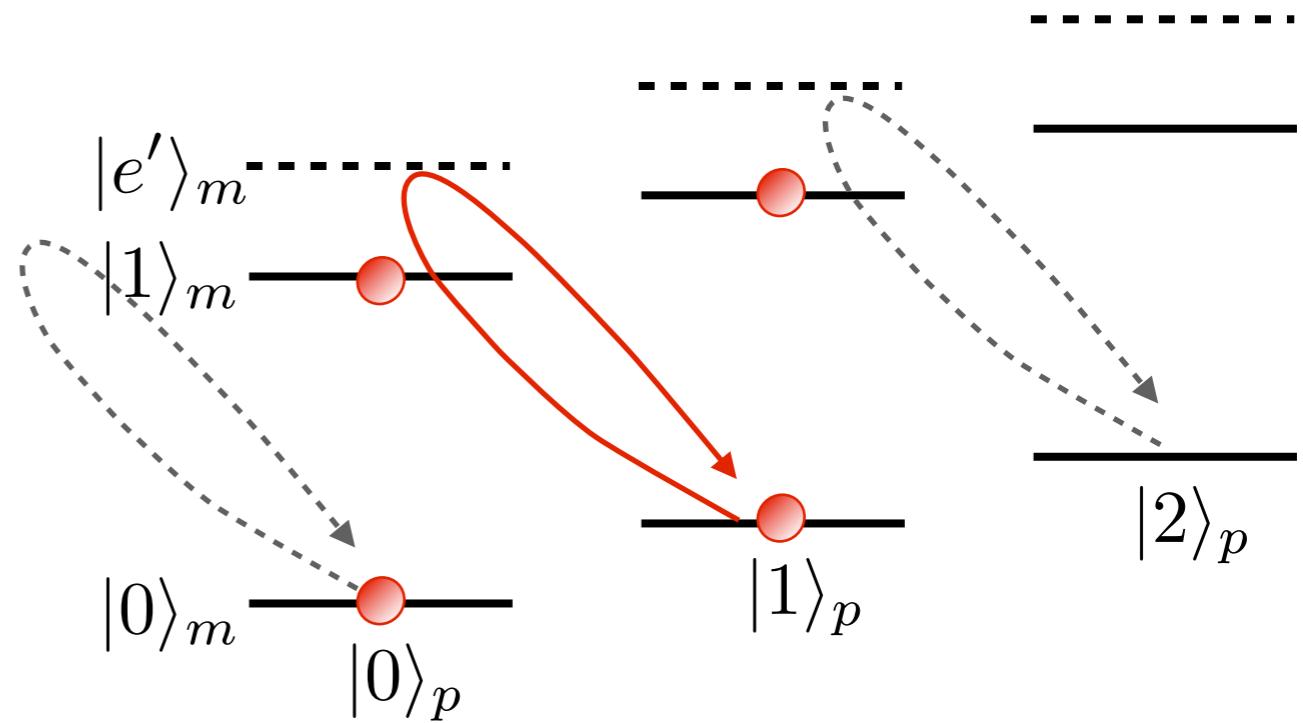
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Trick: 2π -red sideband rotation using an auxiliary atomic state $|e'\rangle$.

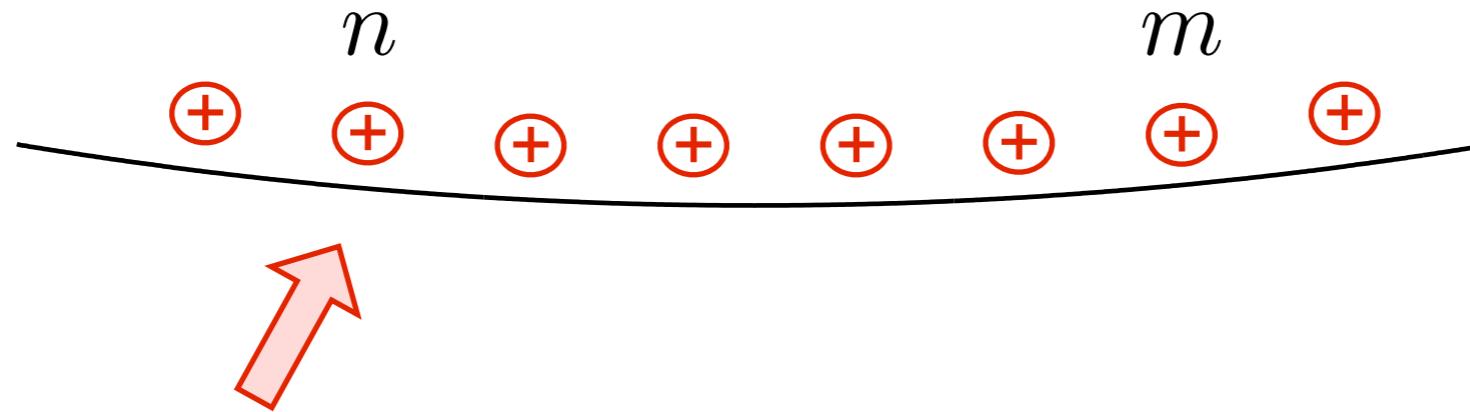
$$R_x(\pi)R_x(\pi) = -1$$



$$|\psi_2\rangle = |0\rangle_n (\alpha_n \alpha_m |0\rangle_p |0\rangle_m + \alpha_n \beta_m |0\rangle_p |1\rangle_m - \beta_n \alpha_m |1\rangle_p |0\rangle_m + \beta_n \beta_m |1\rangle_p |1\rangle_m)$$

entangled !

Cirac-Zoller gate

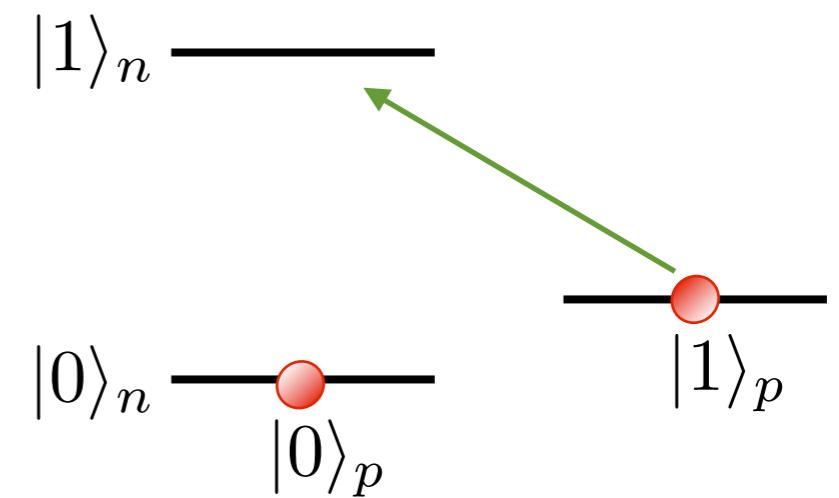


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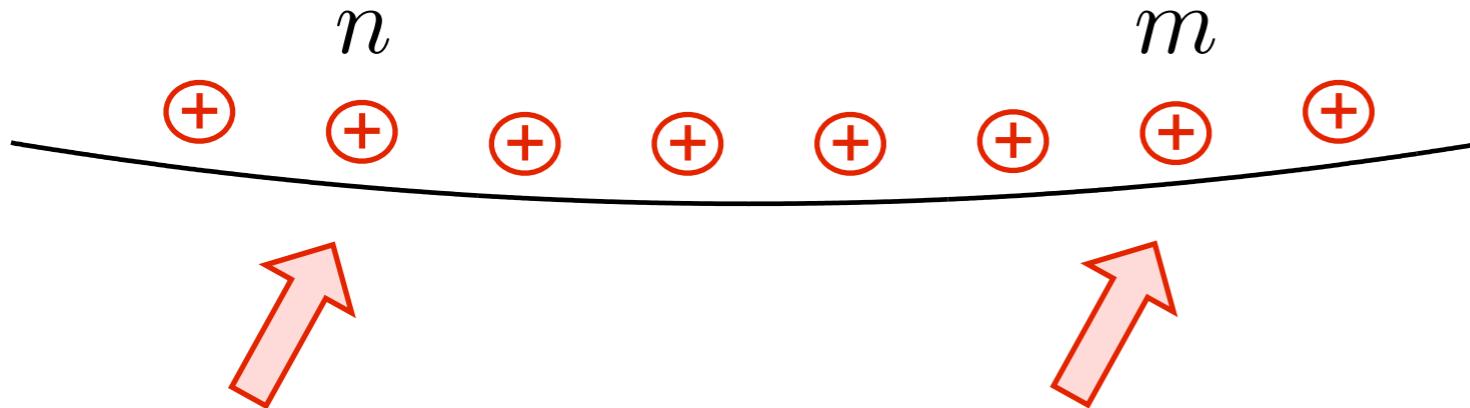


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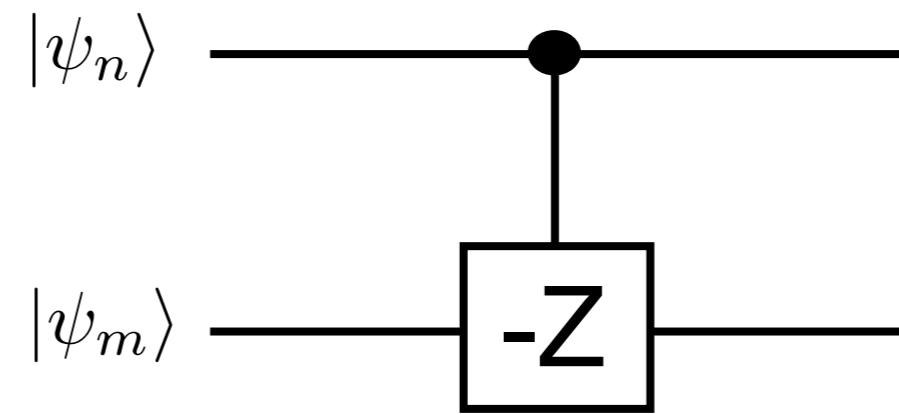
Cirac-Zoller gate: Summary



Final two qubit state:

$$|\psi_f\rangle = (\alpha_n\alpha_m|0\rangle_n|0\rangle_m + \alpha_n\beta_m|0\rangle_n|1\rangle_m - \beta_n\alpha_m|1\rangle_n|0\rangle_m + \beta_n\beta_m|1\rangle_n|1\rangle_m)$$

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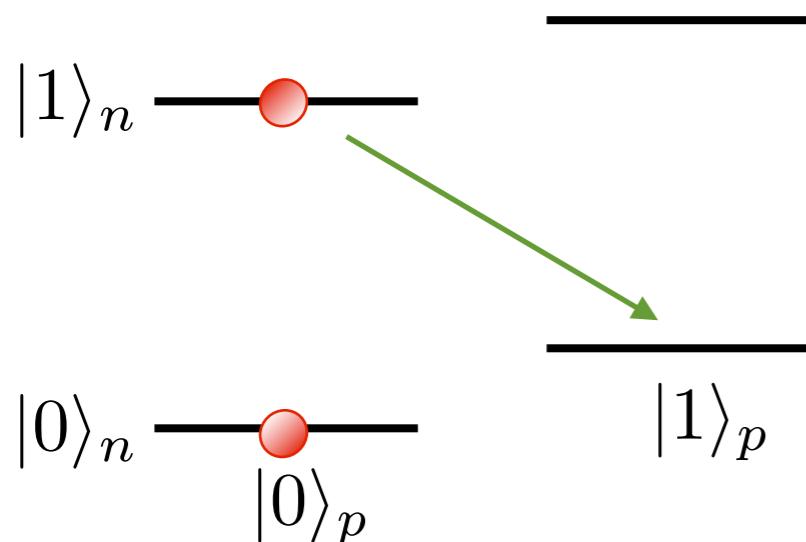


“Controlled Phase Gate”

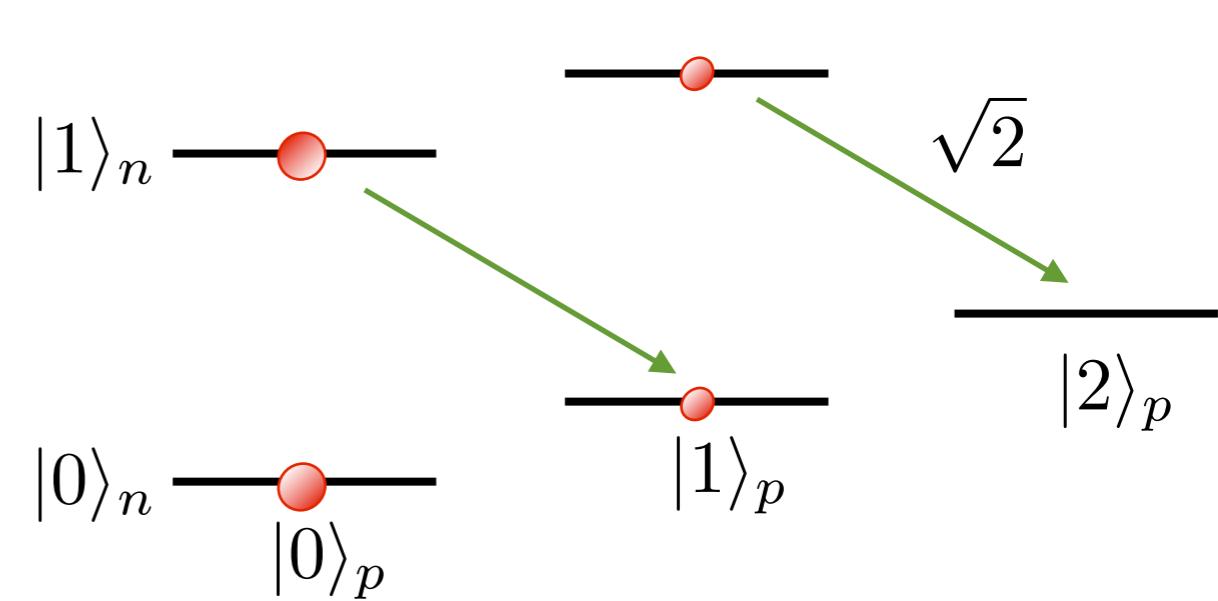
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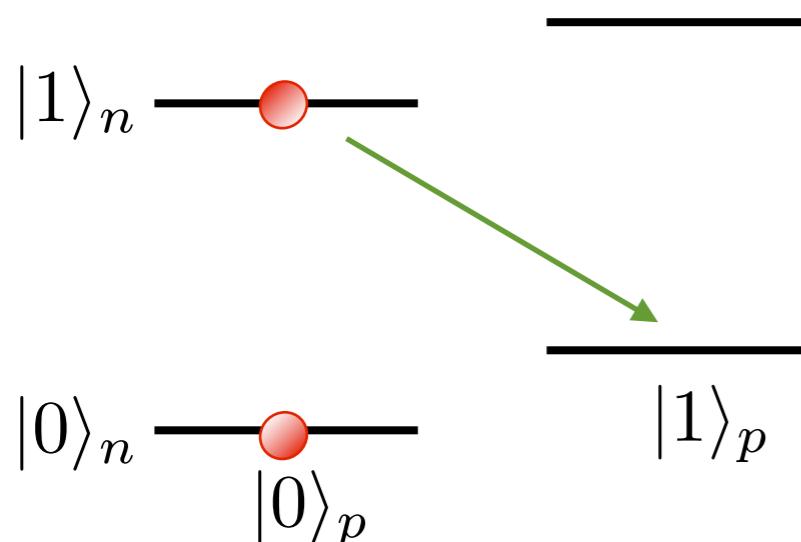
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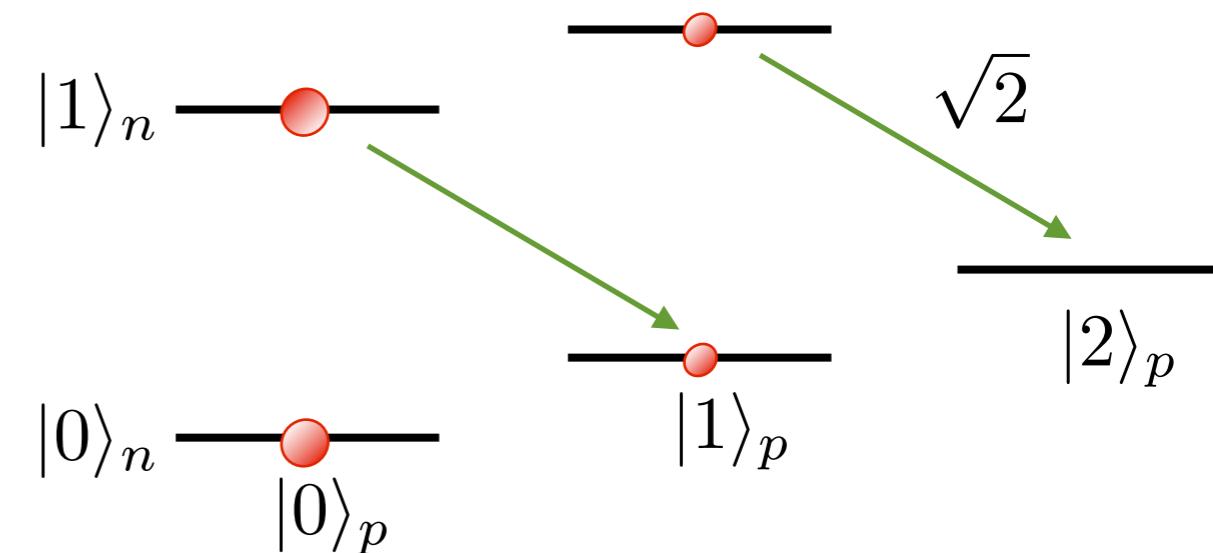
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- “Geometric gate”
- “Pushing gate / fast gate”
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independent of initial phonon occupation !

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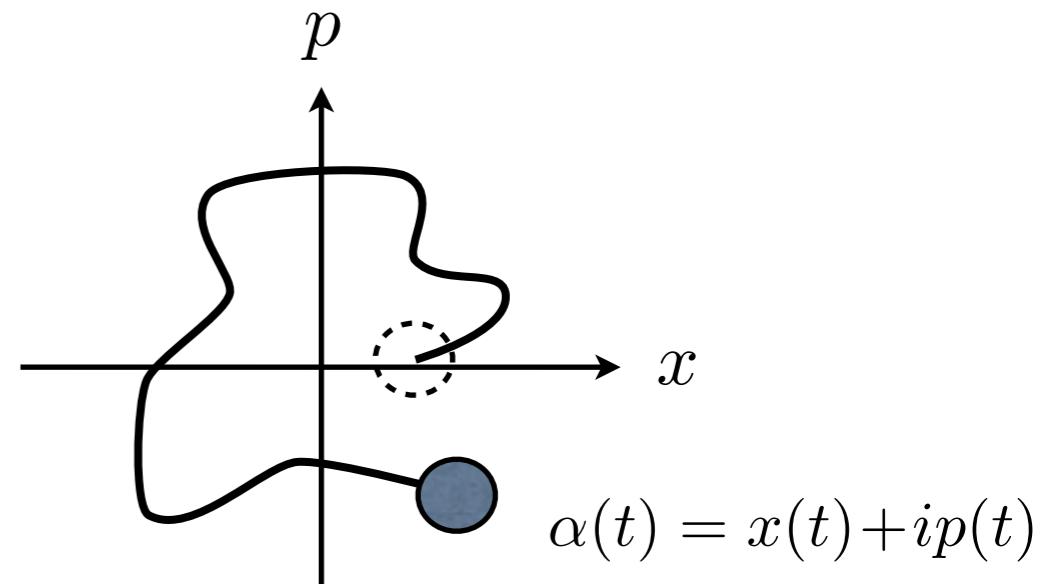
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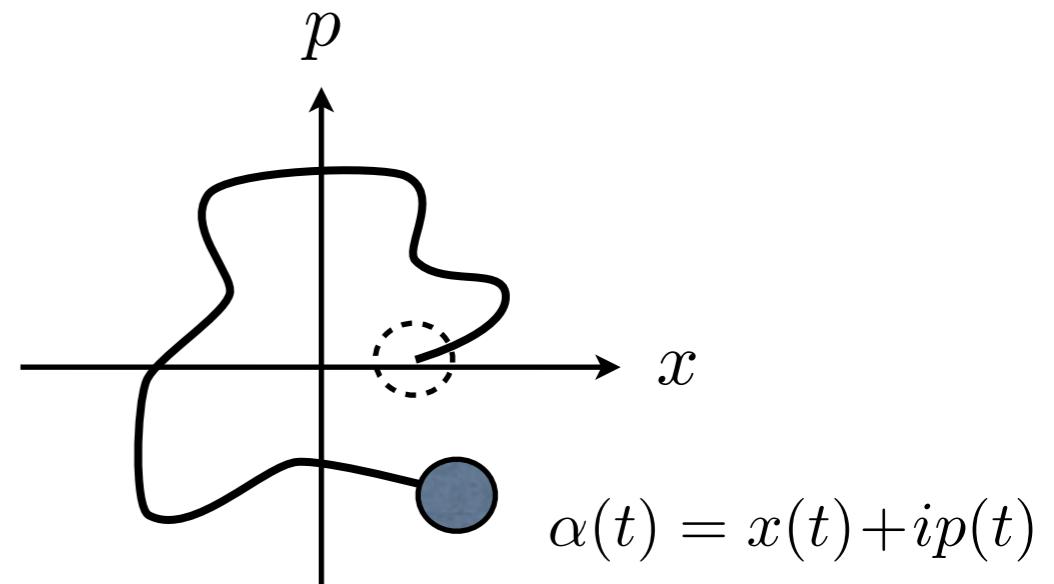
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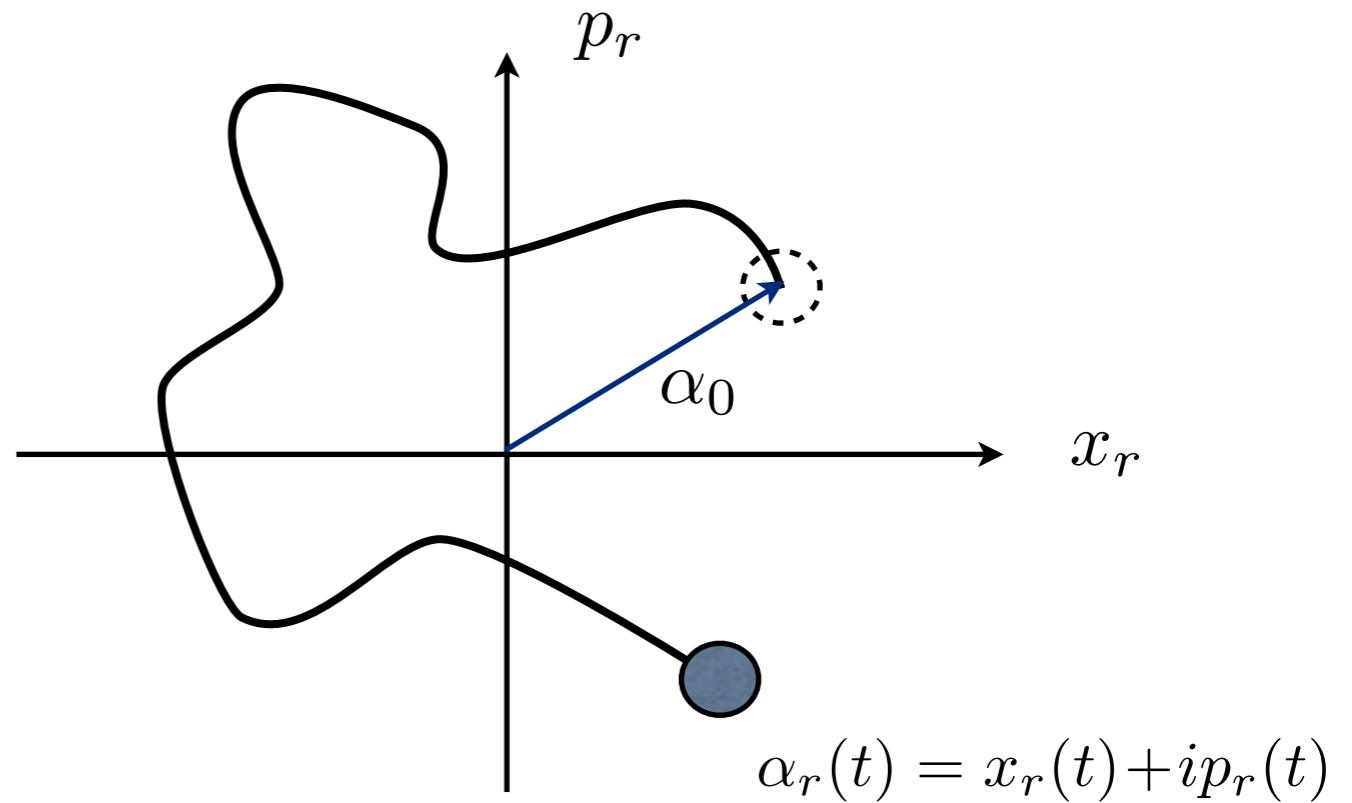
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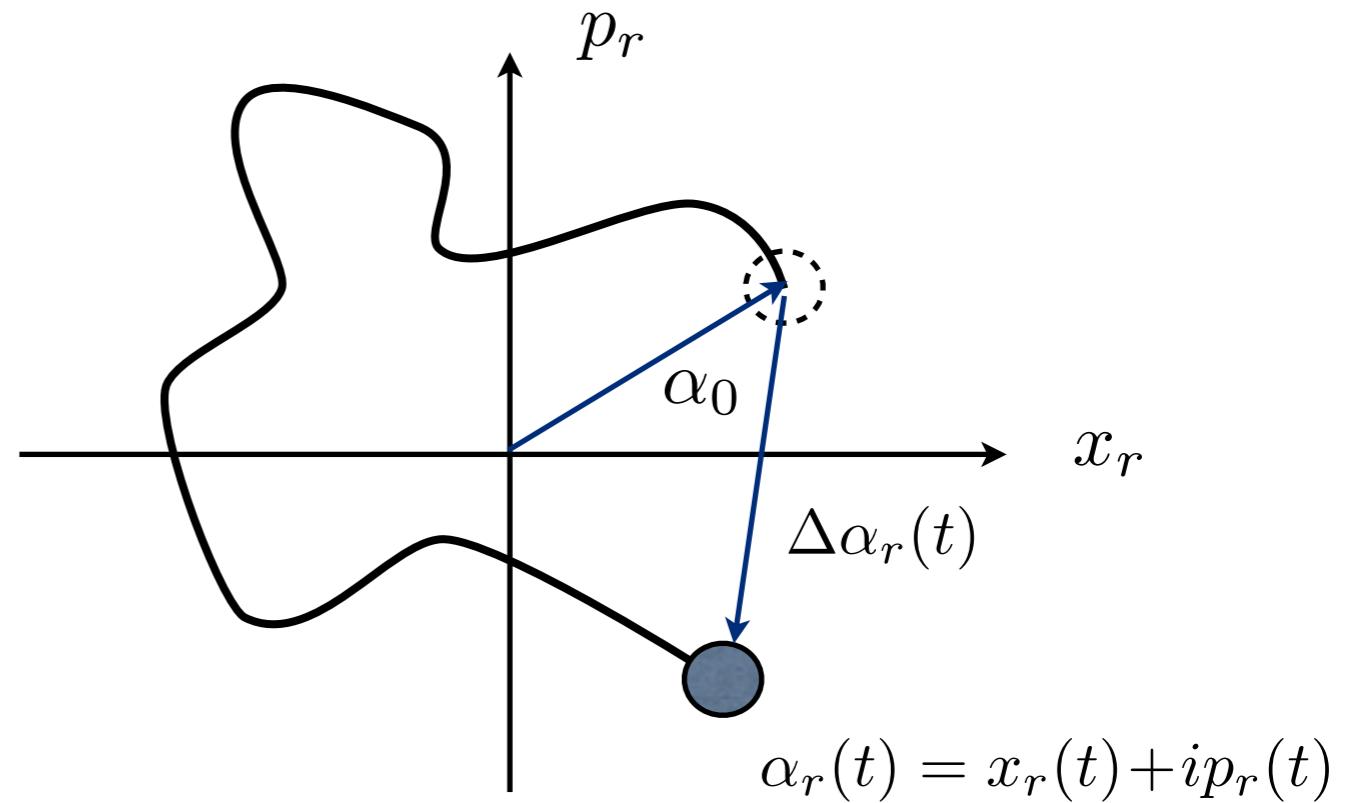


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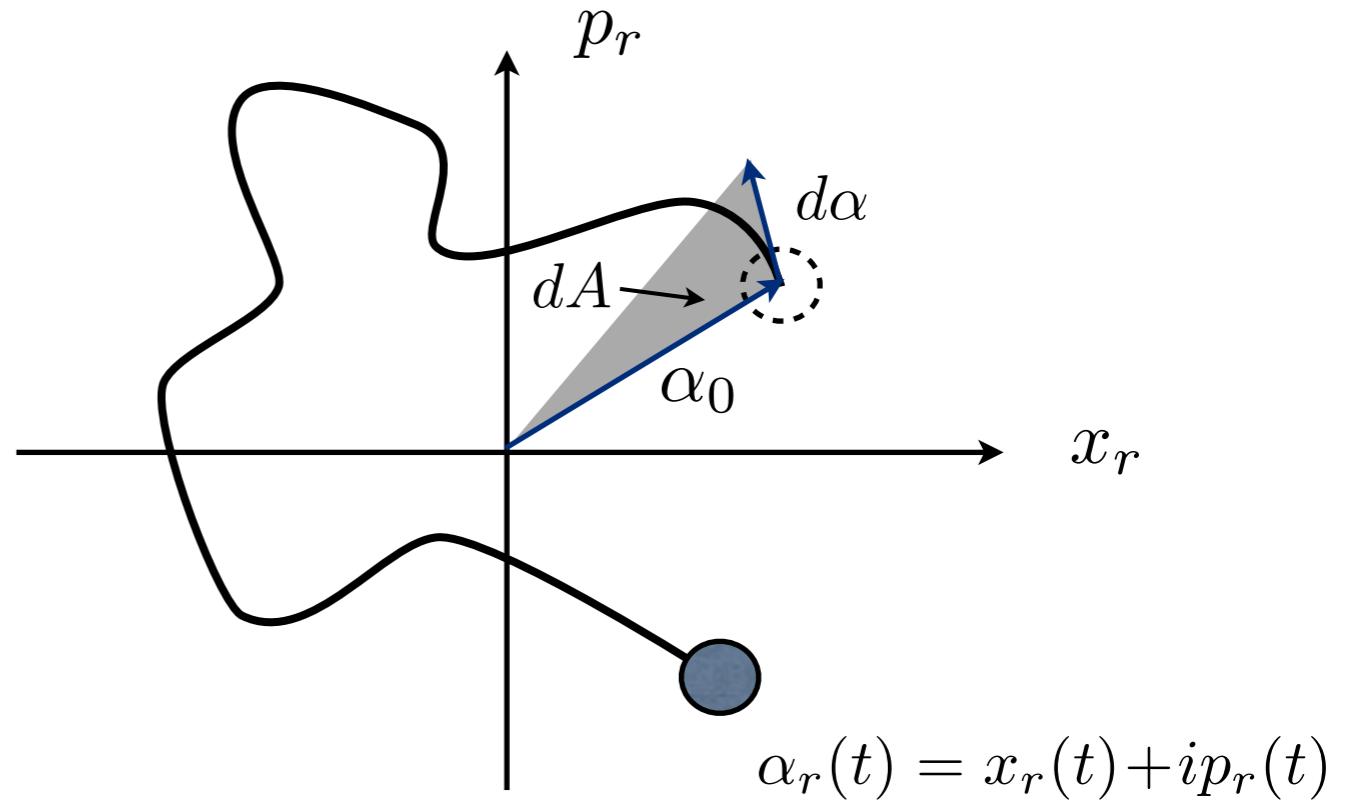


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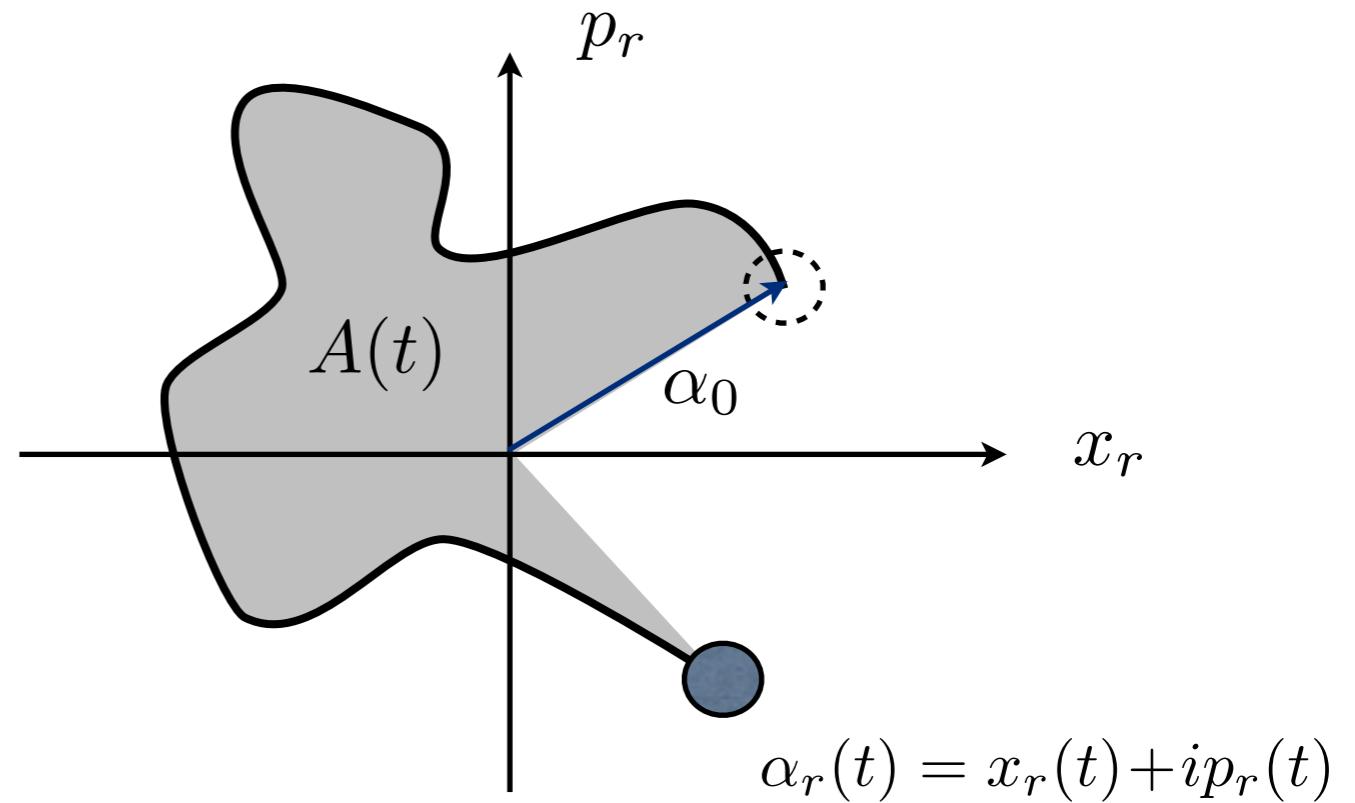
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geometric phase !

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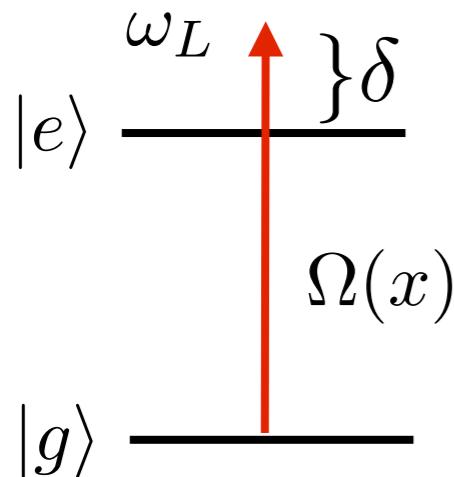
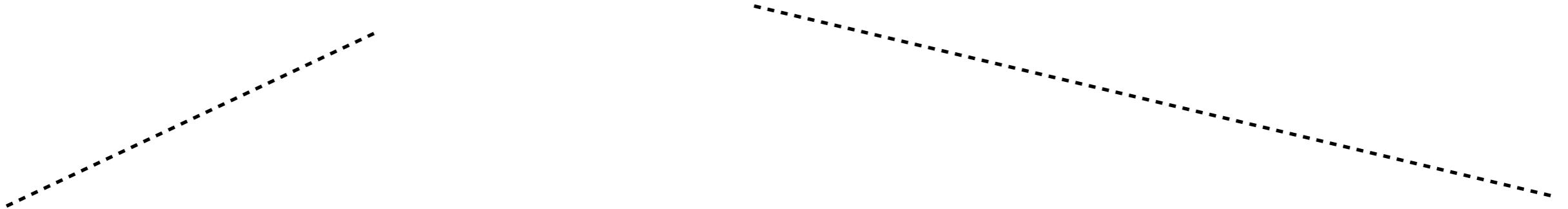
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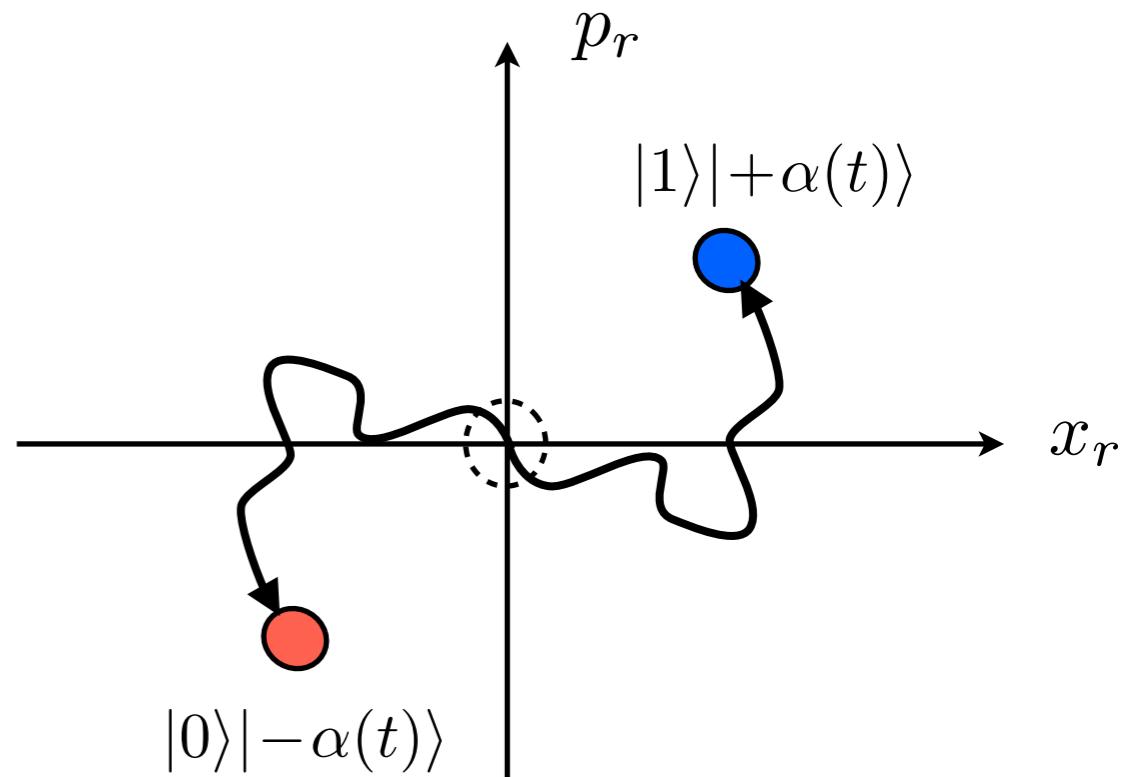
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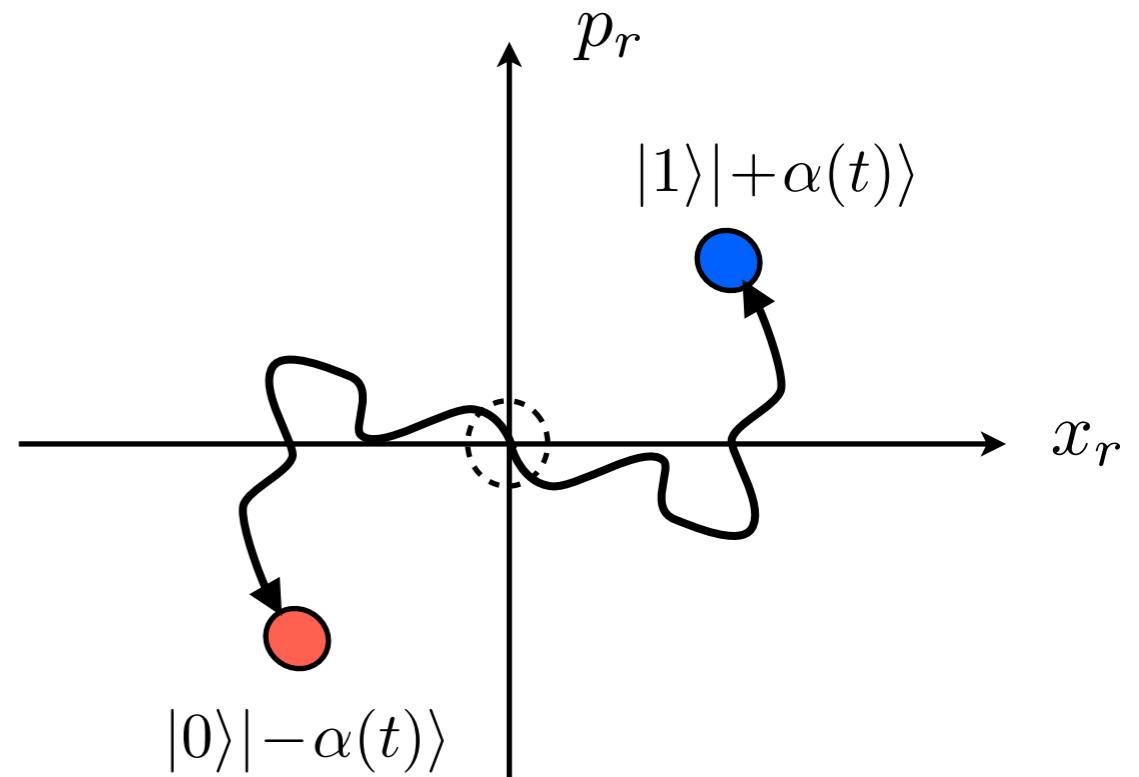
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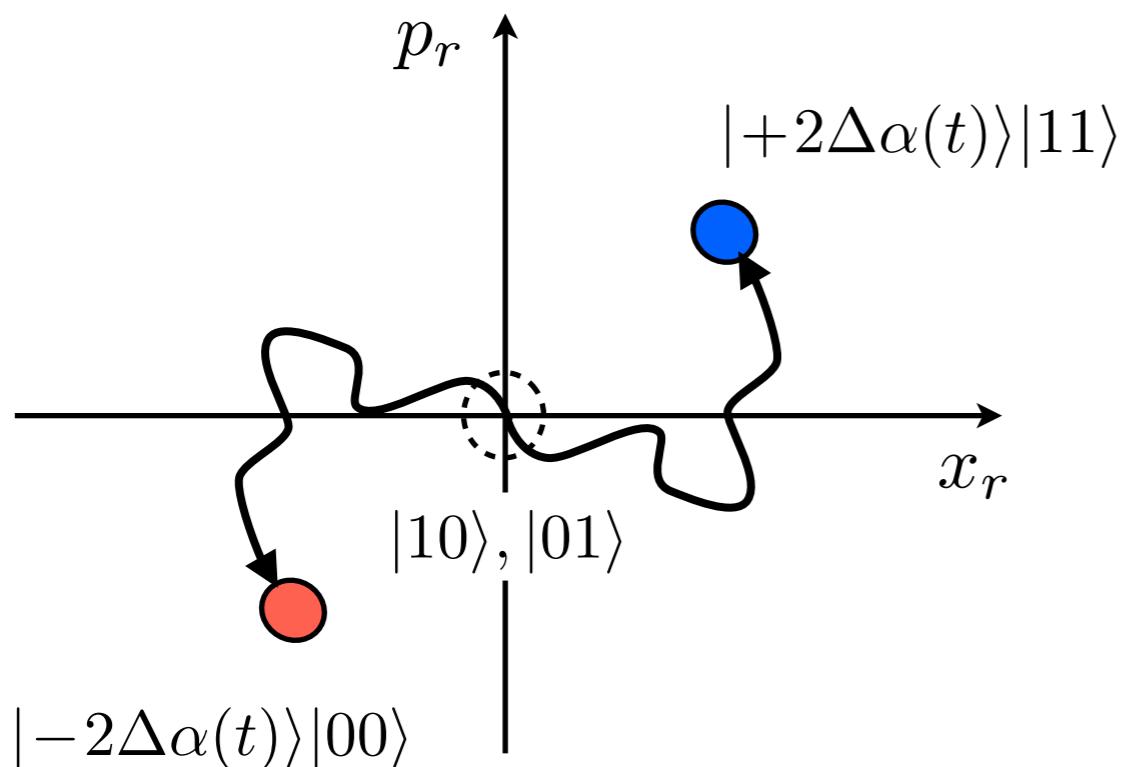
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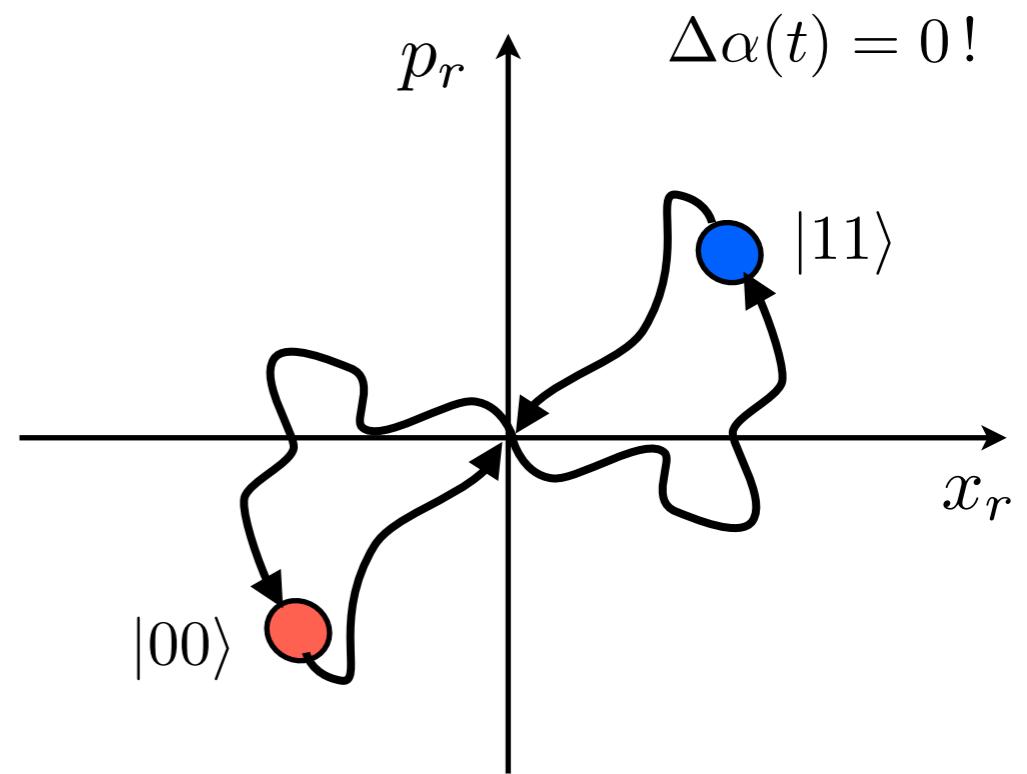
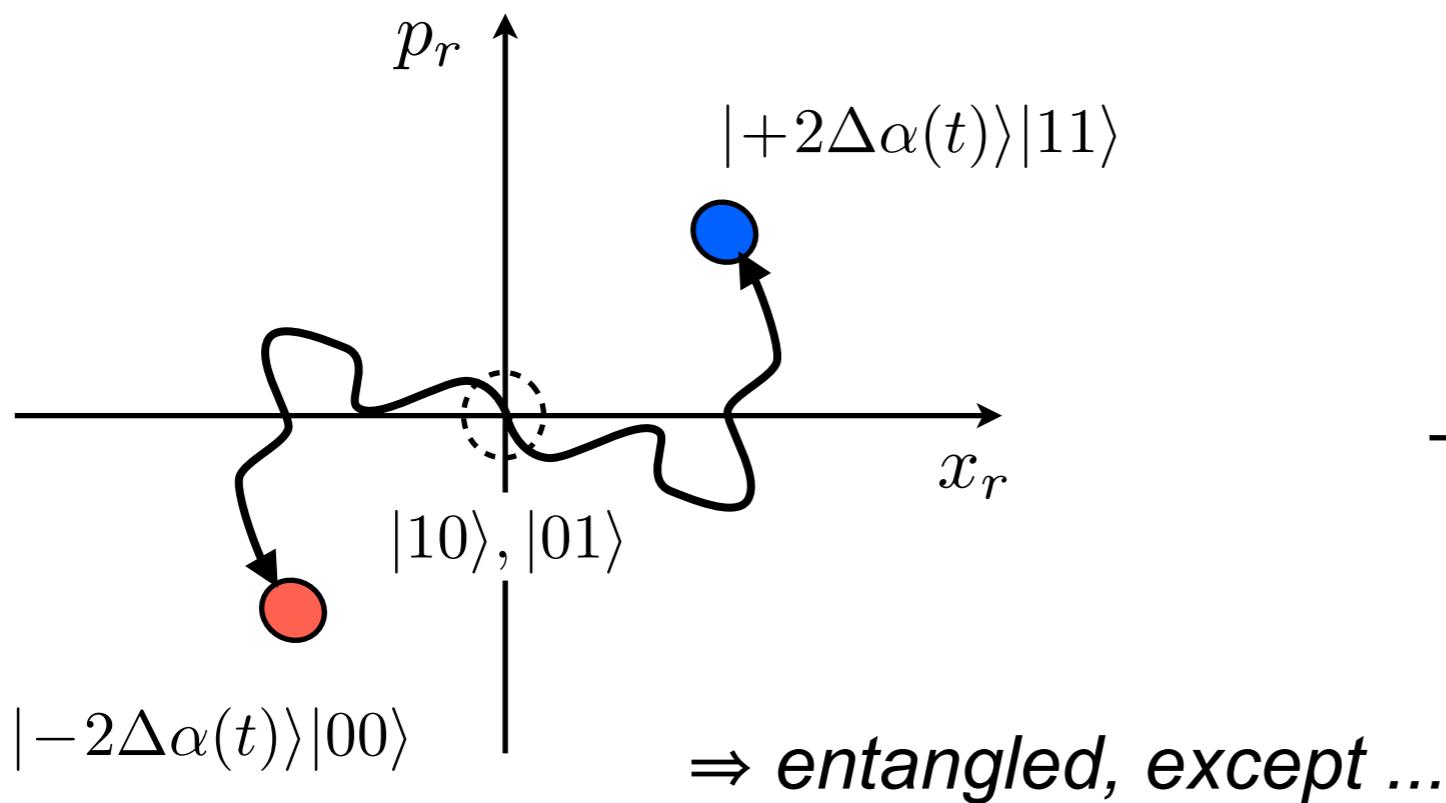
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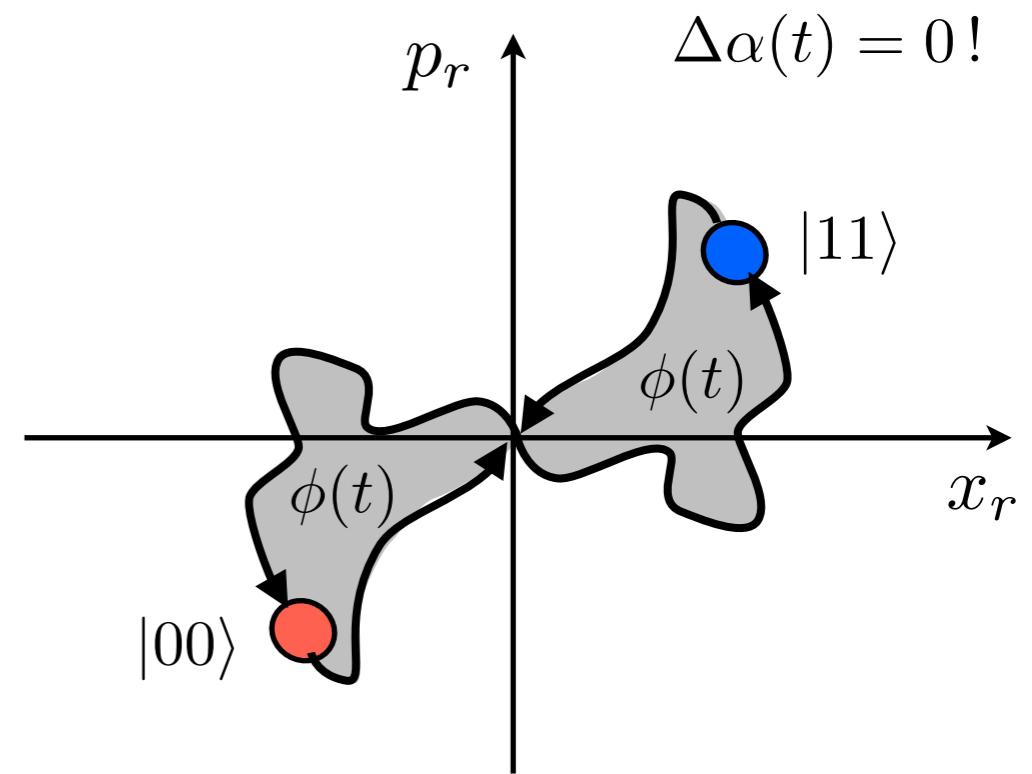
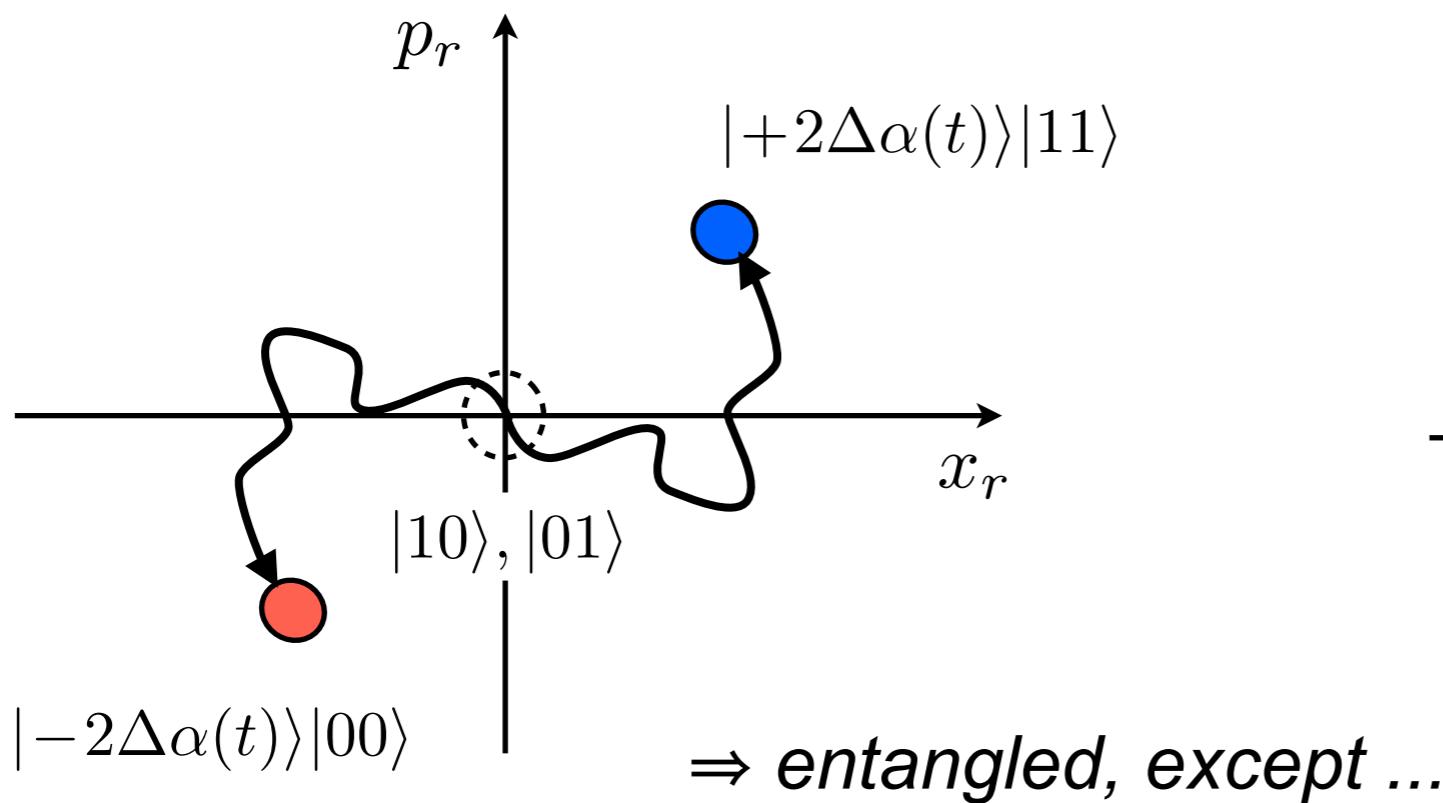
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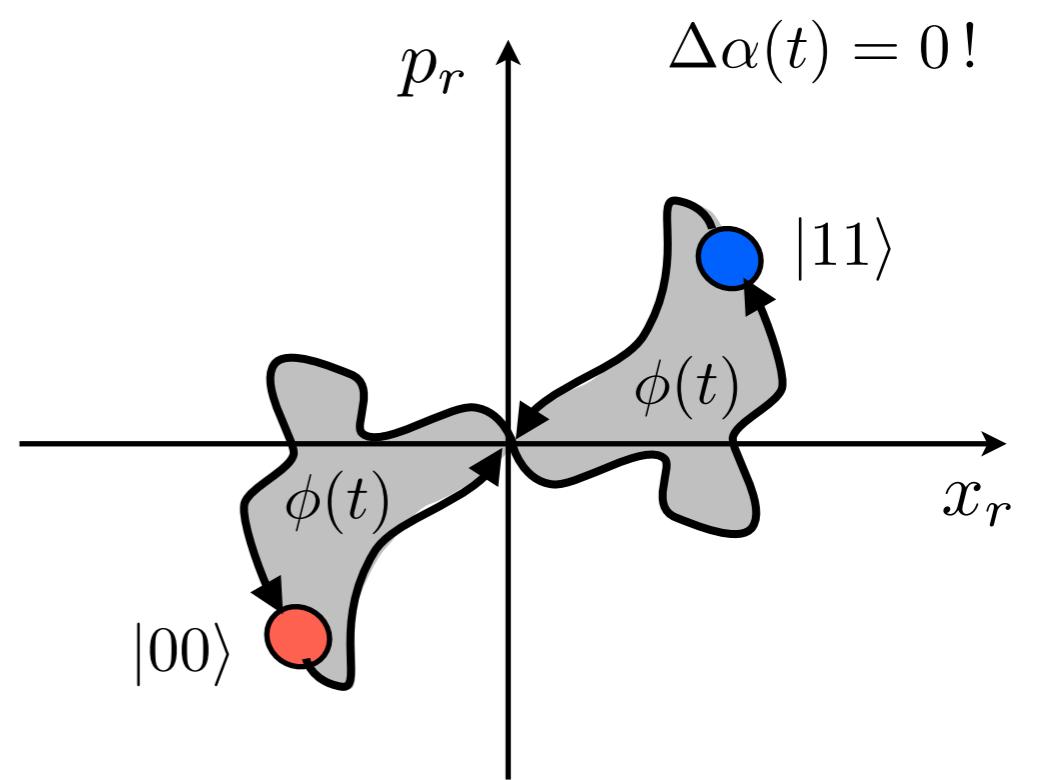
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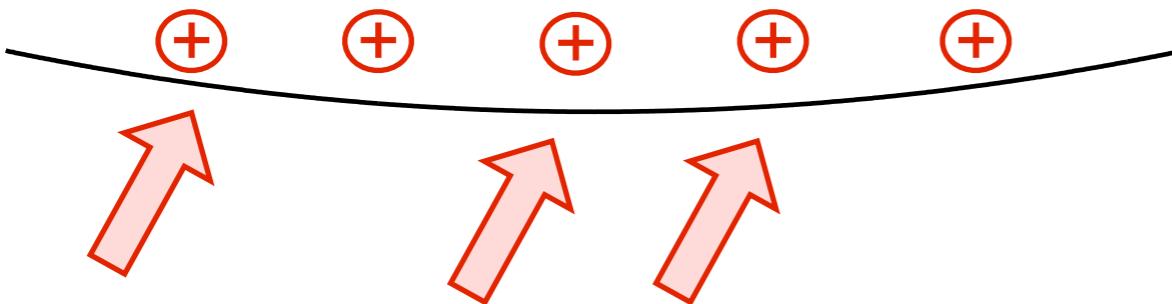
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$\phi(t) \approx \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \text{two qubit gate !}$

$$U_g = \begin{pmatrix} i & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & i \end{pmatrix} \equiv U_{\text{PHASE}}$$



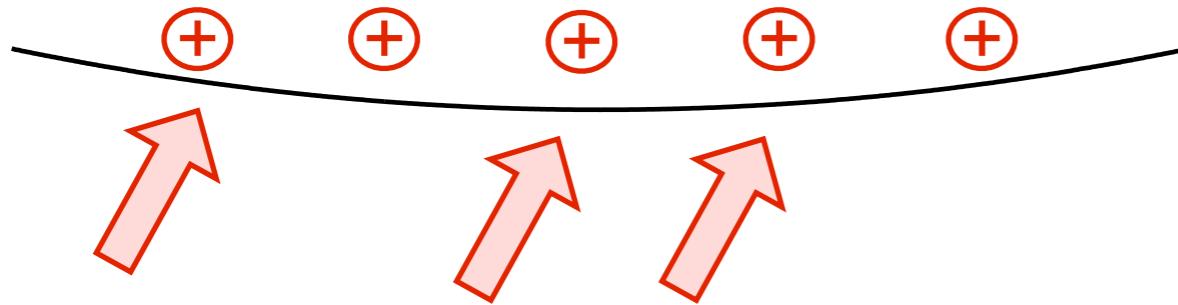
Generalized geometric gates



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see e.g.: J. J. García-Ripoll, P. Zoller, and J. I. Cirac, *PRA* **71**, 062309 (2005)

Generalized geometric gates



$$H(t) = \hbar \sum_n \omega_n a_n^\dagger a_n - \hbar \sum_i \sum_n f_{i,n}(t) (a_n + a_n^\dagger) \sigma_z^i$$

Disentangling conditions:

$$\Delta \alpha_n(t) = i \sum_i \int_0^t ds f_{i,n}(s) e^{i\omega_n s} = 0 \quad \forall n$$

Effective spin dynamics:

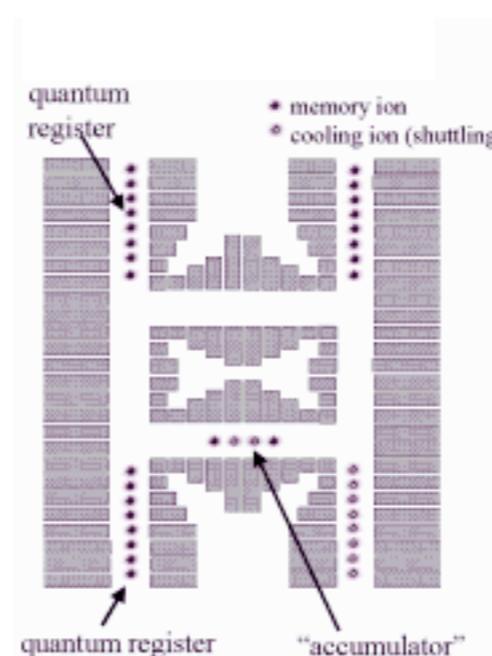
$$U_{\text{spin}} = e^{i \sum_{i,j} \Phi_{ij}(t) \sigma_z^i \sigma_z^j} \quad \Rightarrow \text{general Ising model}$$

State of the art

- ▶ *gate errors:* $\sim 10^{-4} - 10^{-5}$ (*single qubit*)
 $\sim 10^{-2}$ (*two qubit*)
- ▶ *single qubit coherence times (clock states):* ~ 10 min
- ▶ *entanglement up to 14 ions, ~100 gates operations on 6 qubits*
- ▶ *demonstration of basic algorithms, quantum error correction, ..*
- ▶ *quantum simulation of spin model ~ 10 ions*

Challenge: scalability !

- *multi-zone traps*
- *microtraps*



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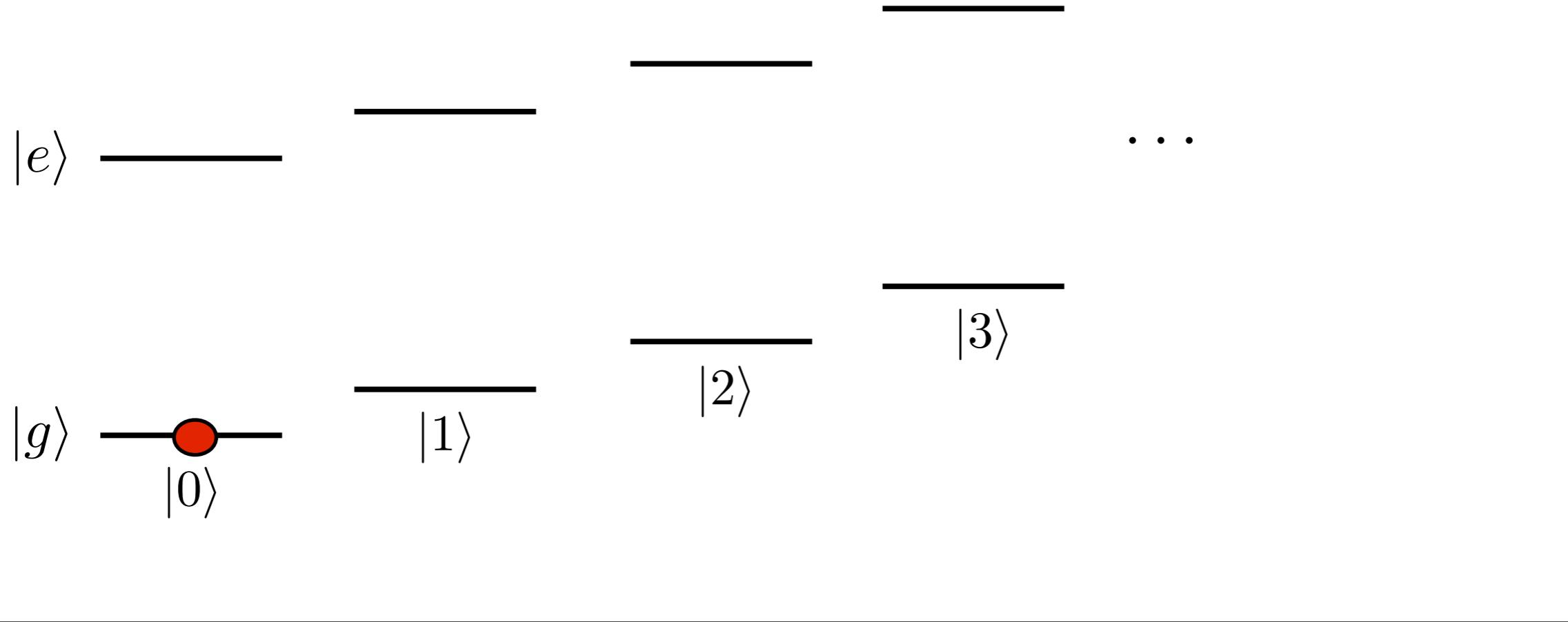
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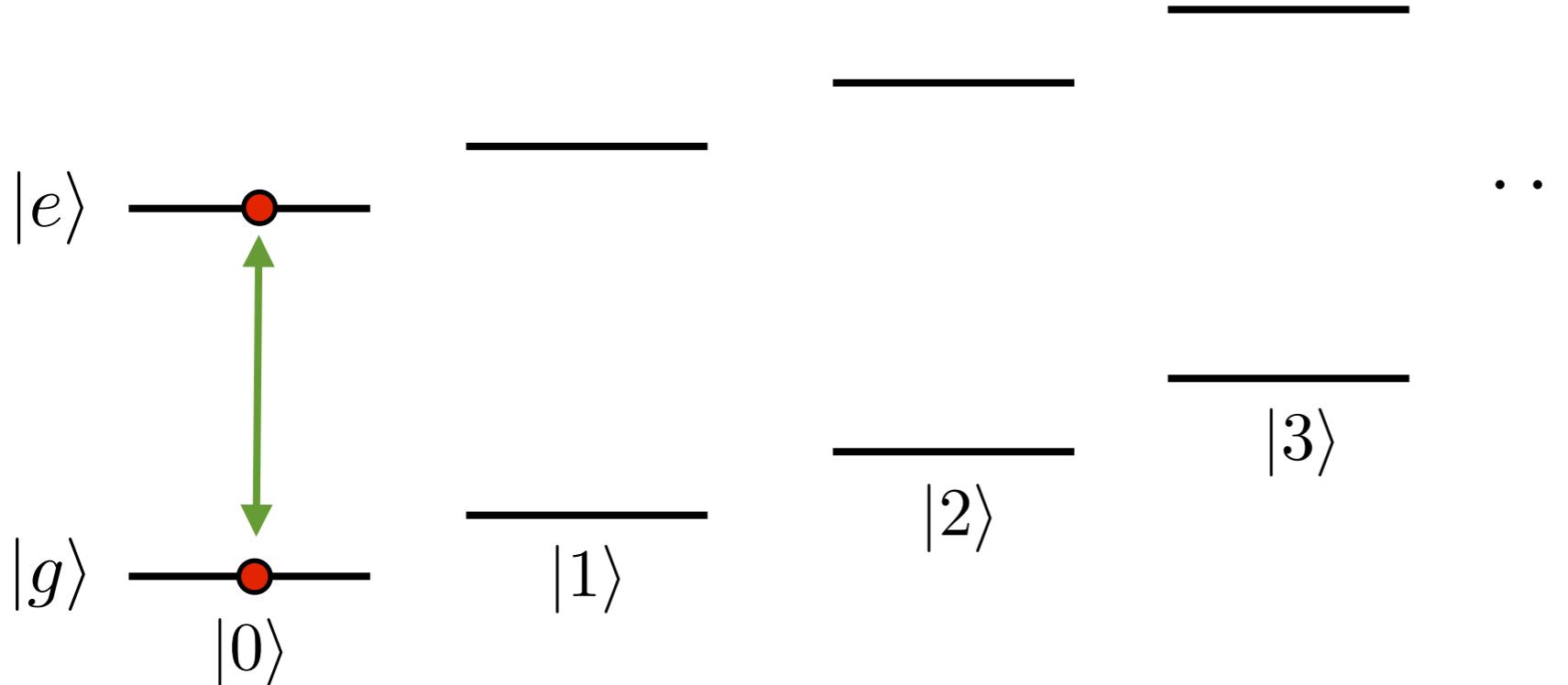
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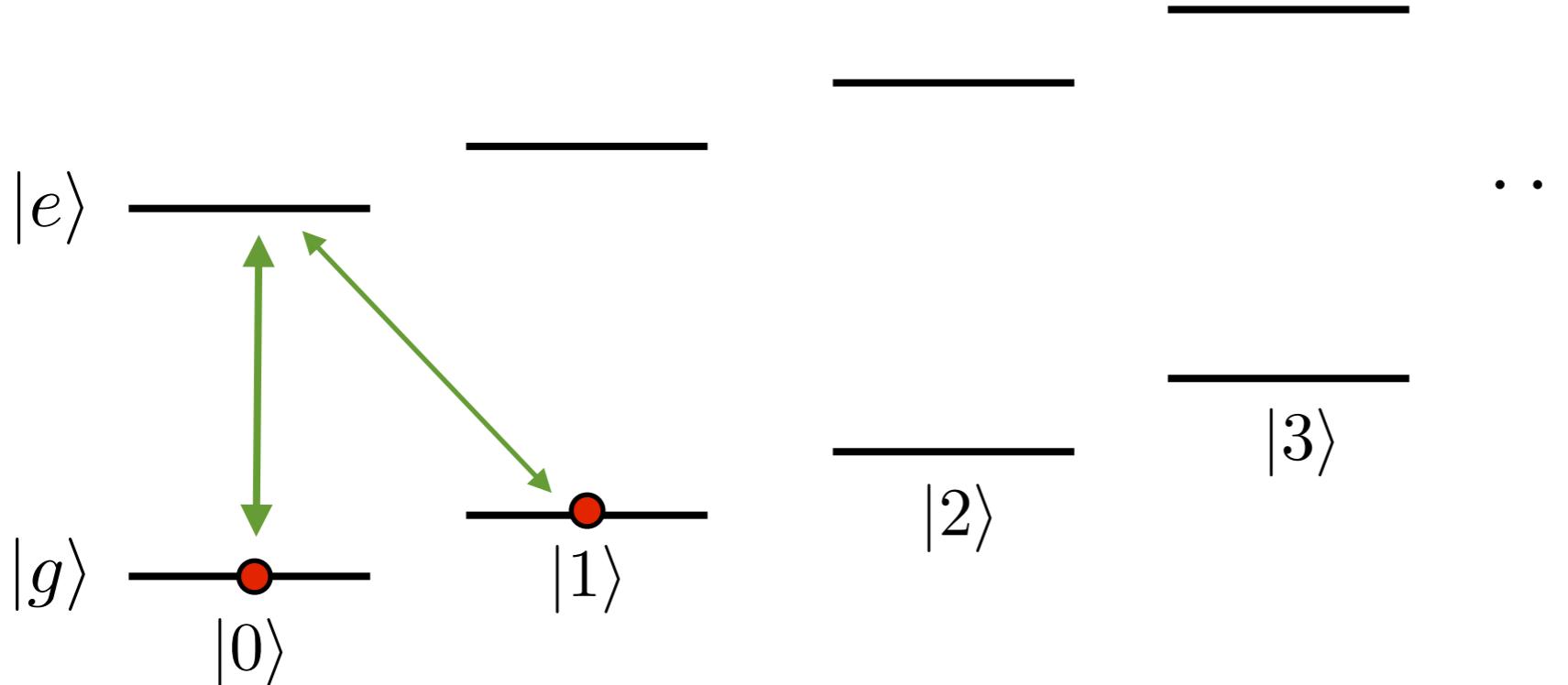
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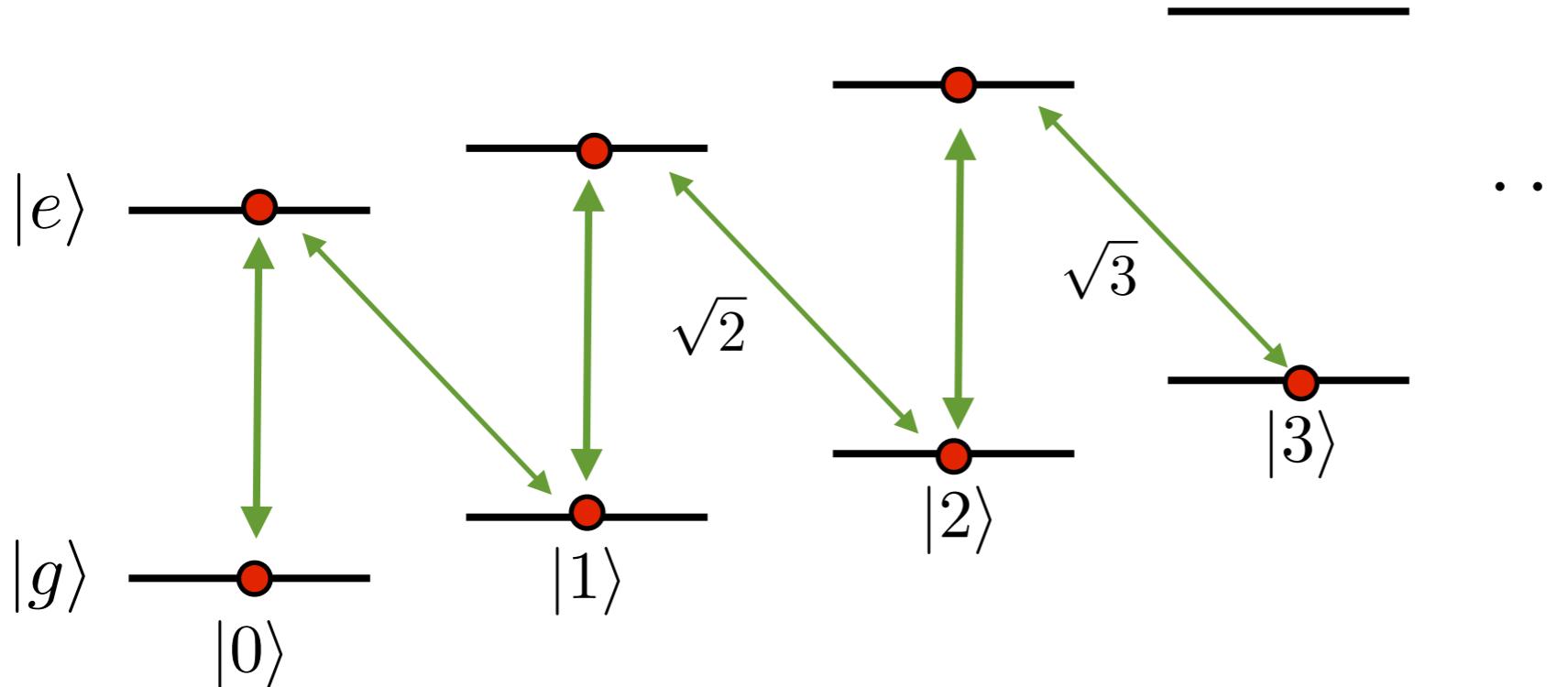
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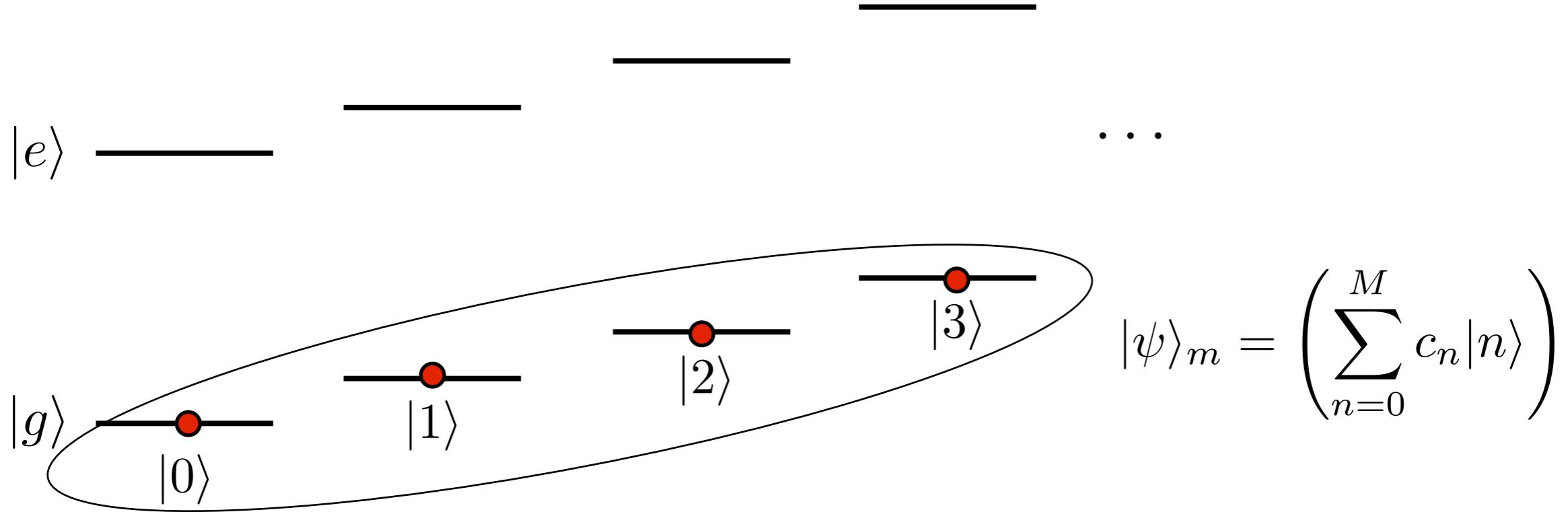
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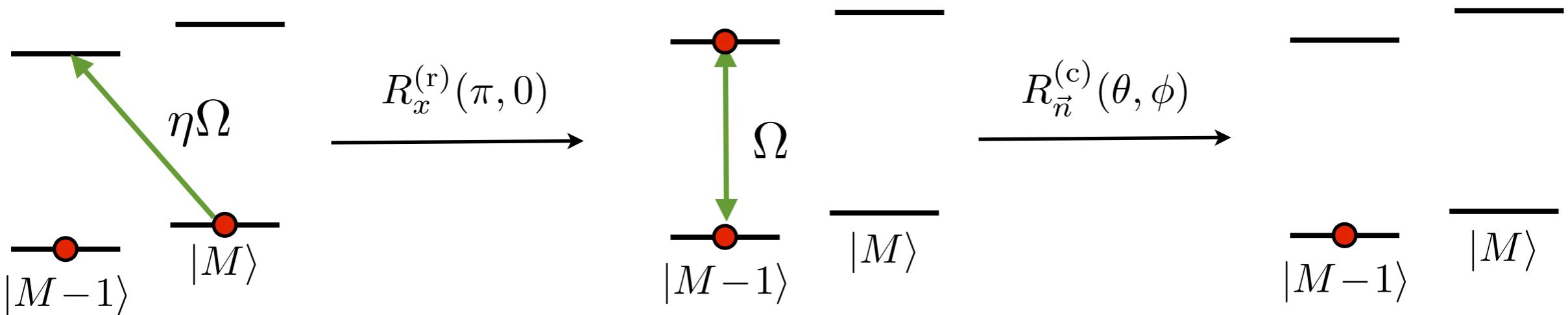
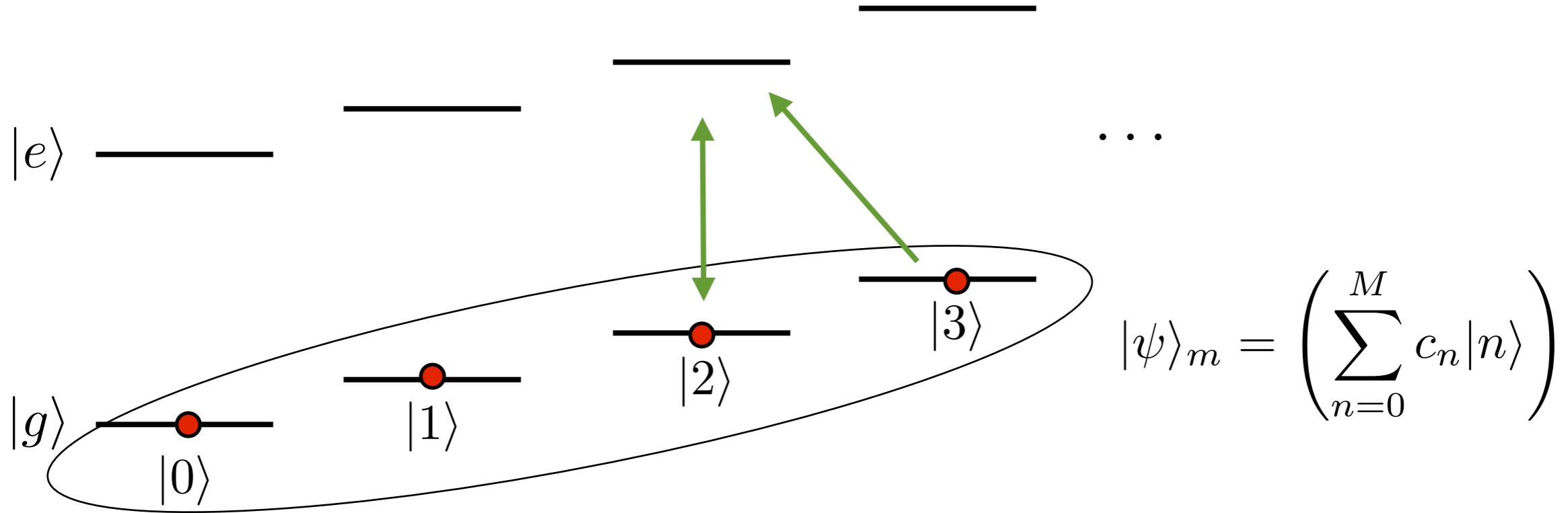


Idea (Law & Eberly, PRL (1996)):

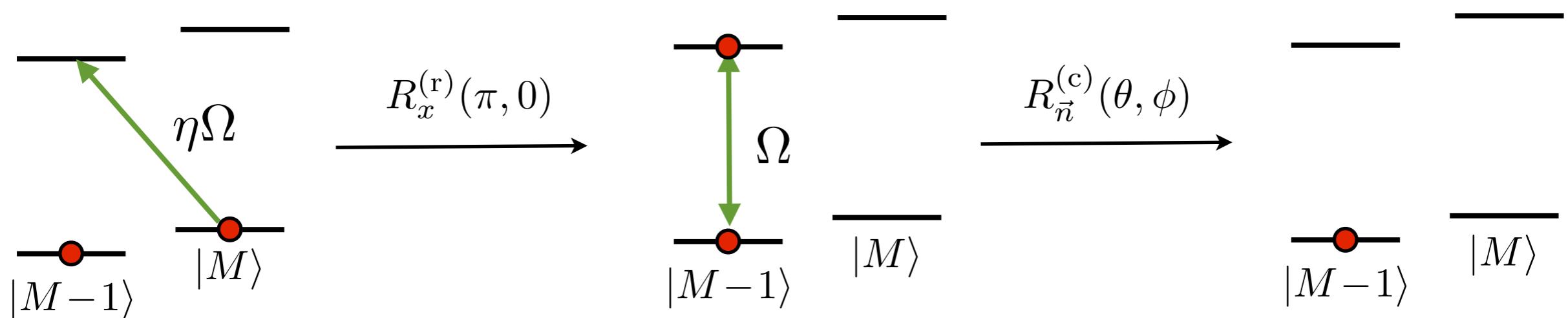
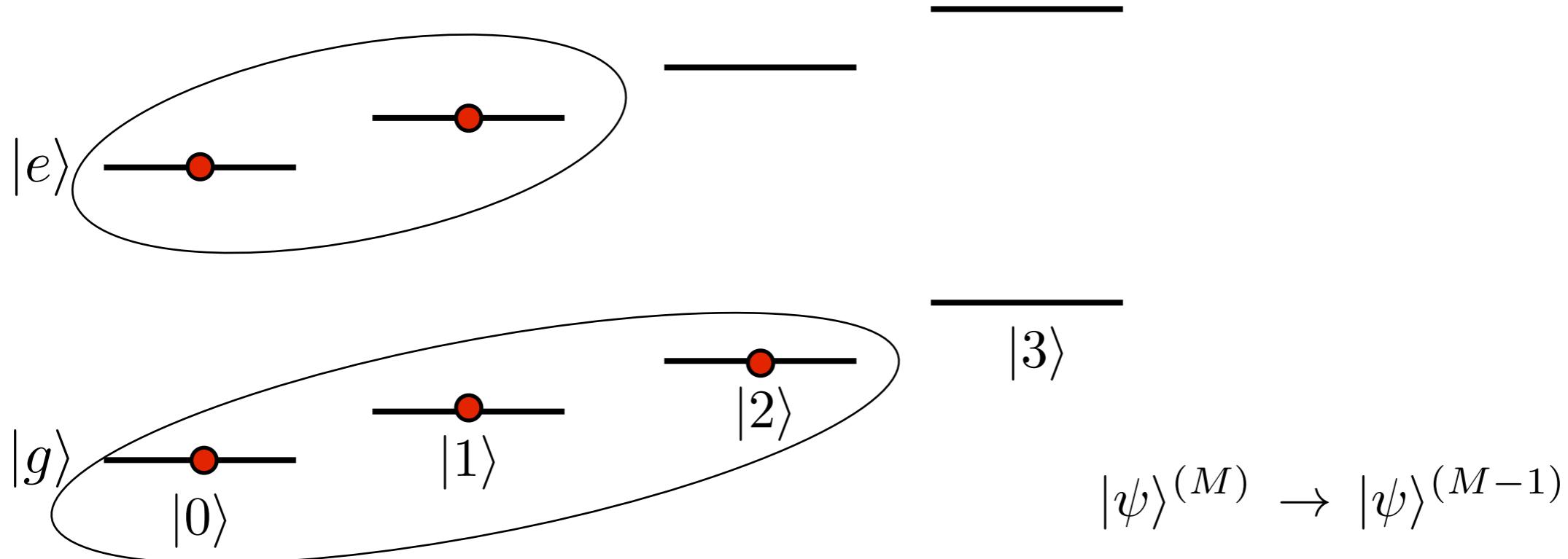
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inverse problem !

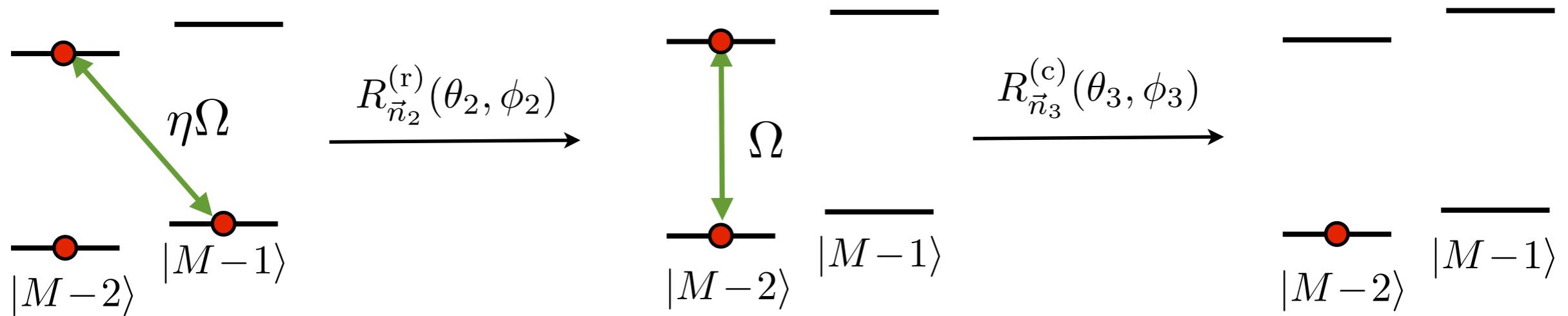
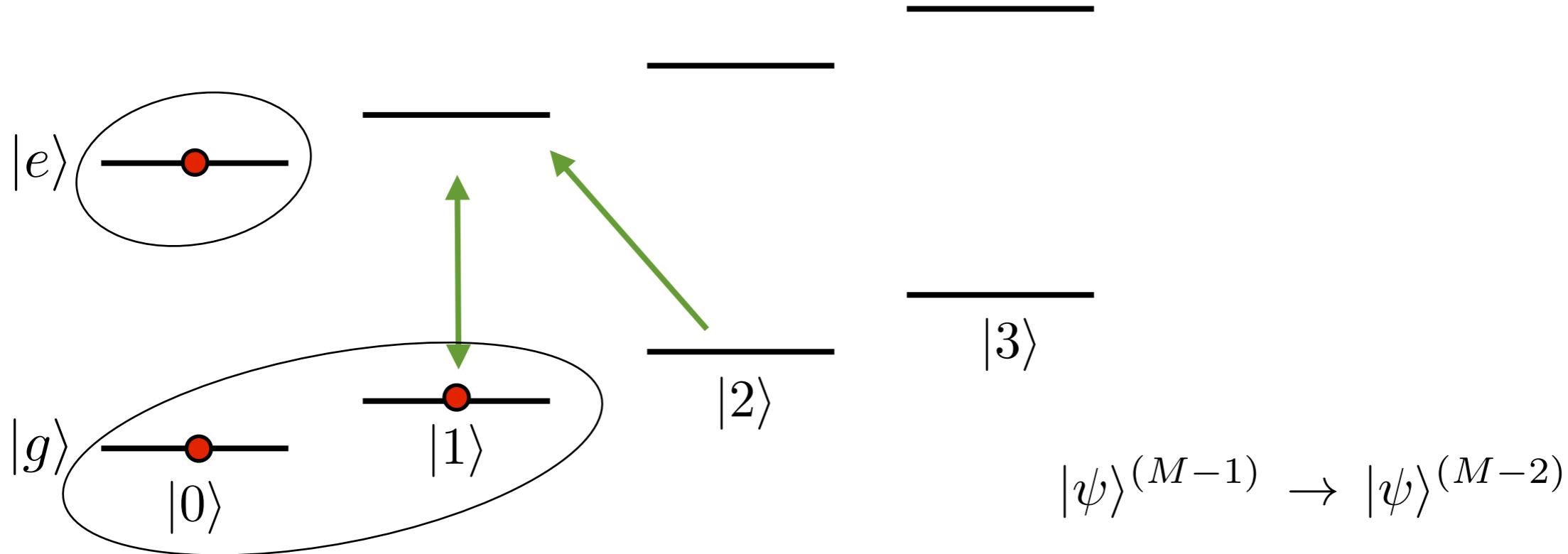
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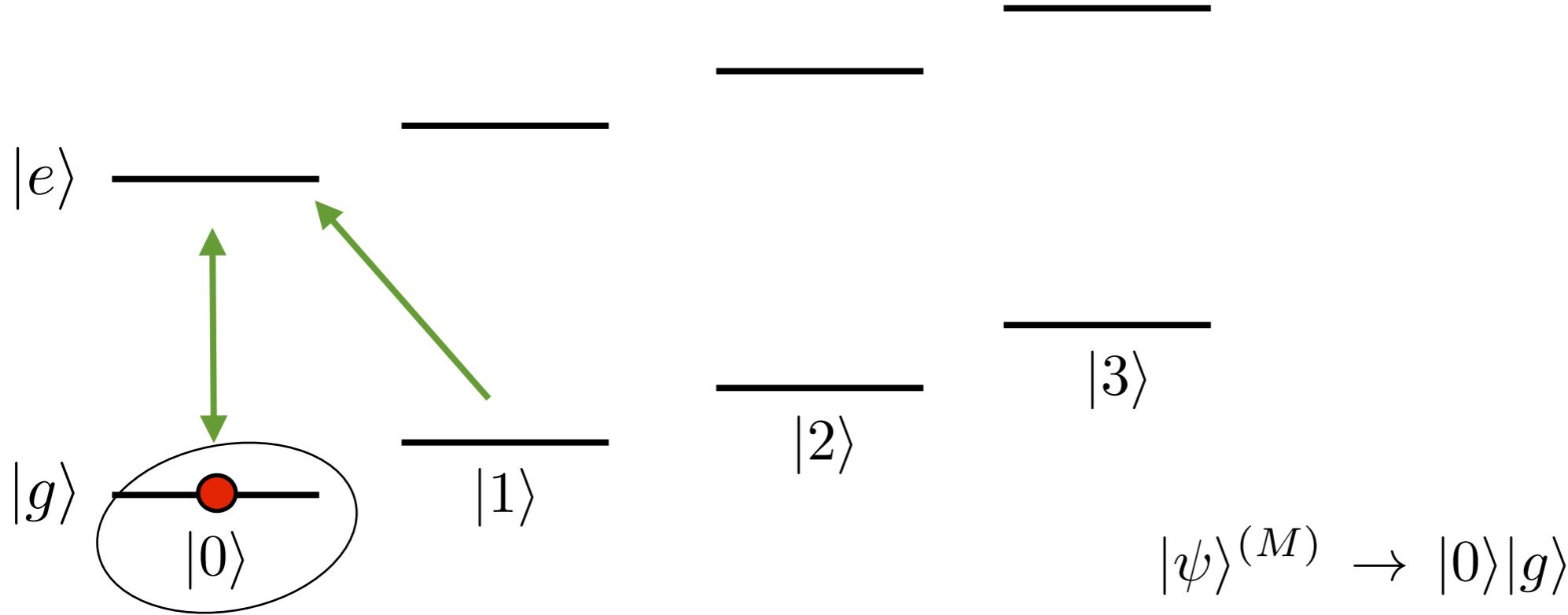
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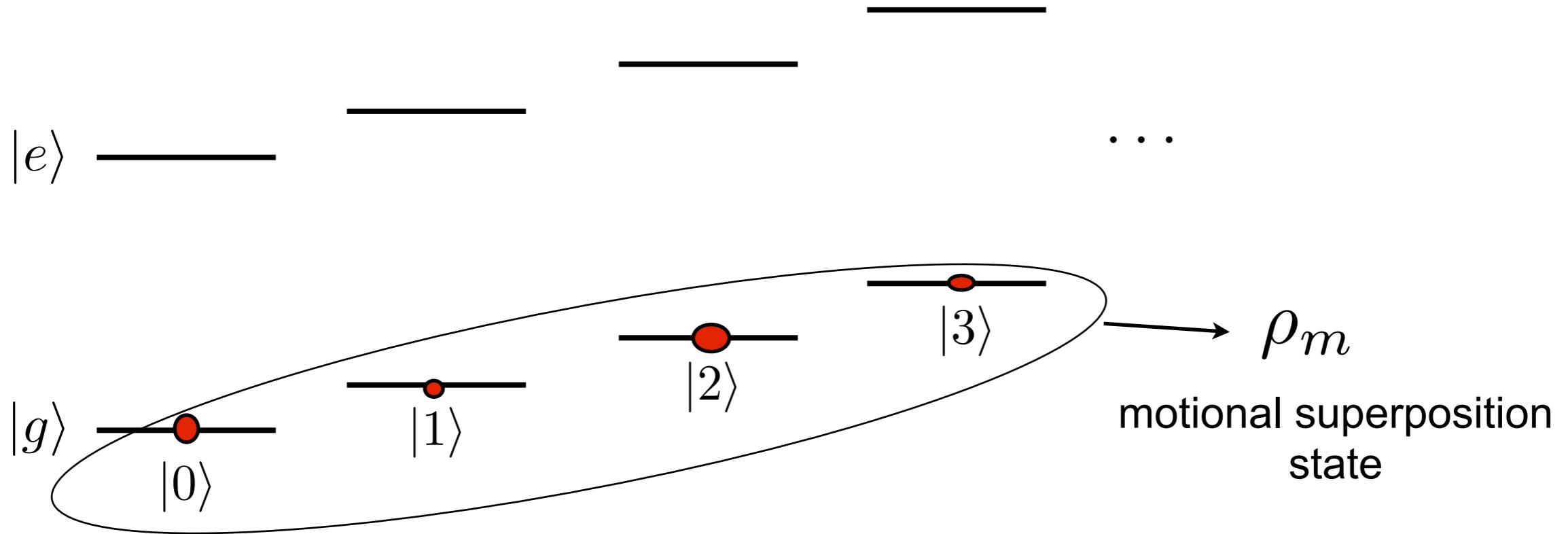
Result: Iterative construction of the inverse state preparation operation !

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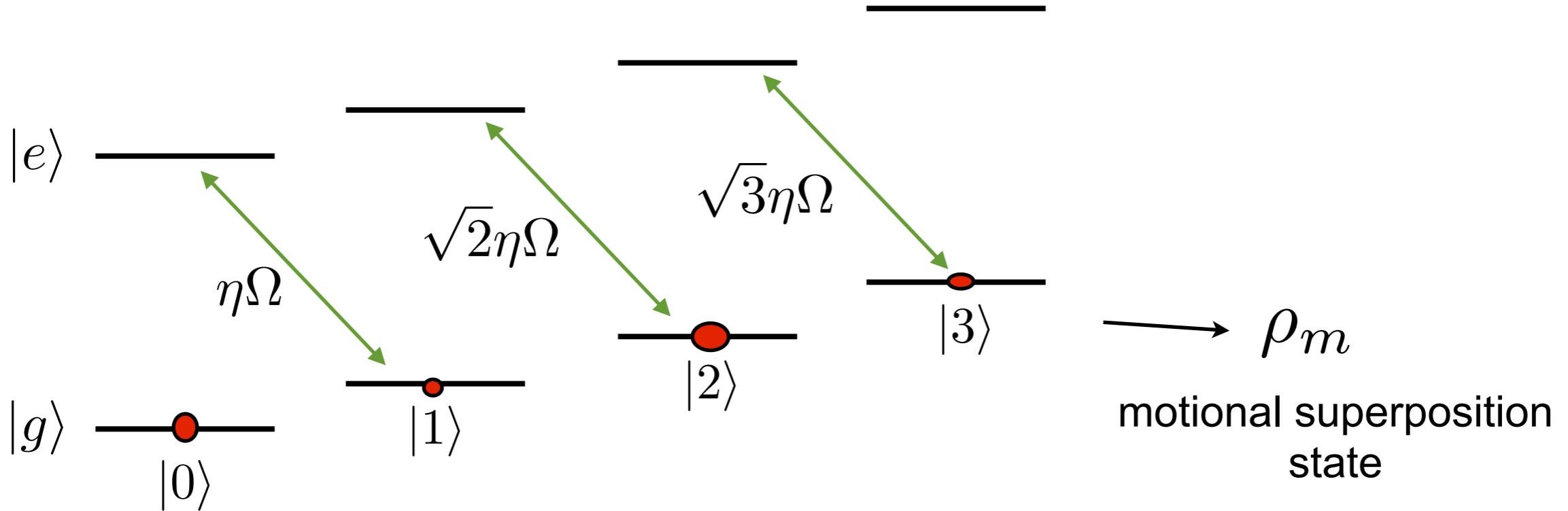
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\Rightarrow How do I “measure” ρ_m ?

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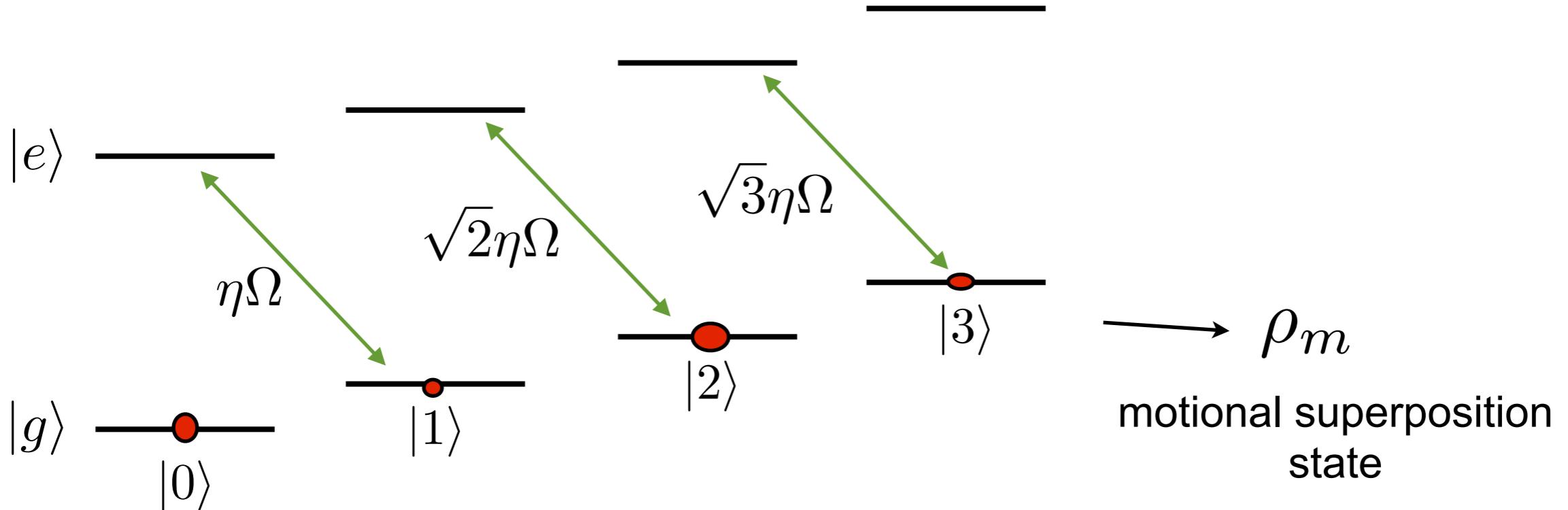


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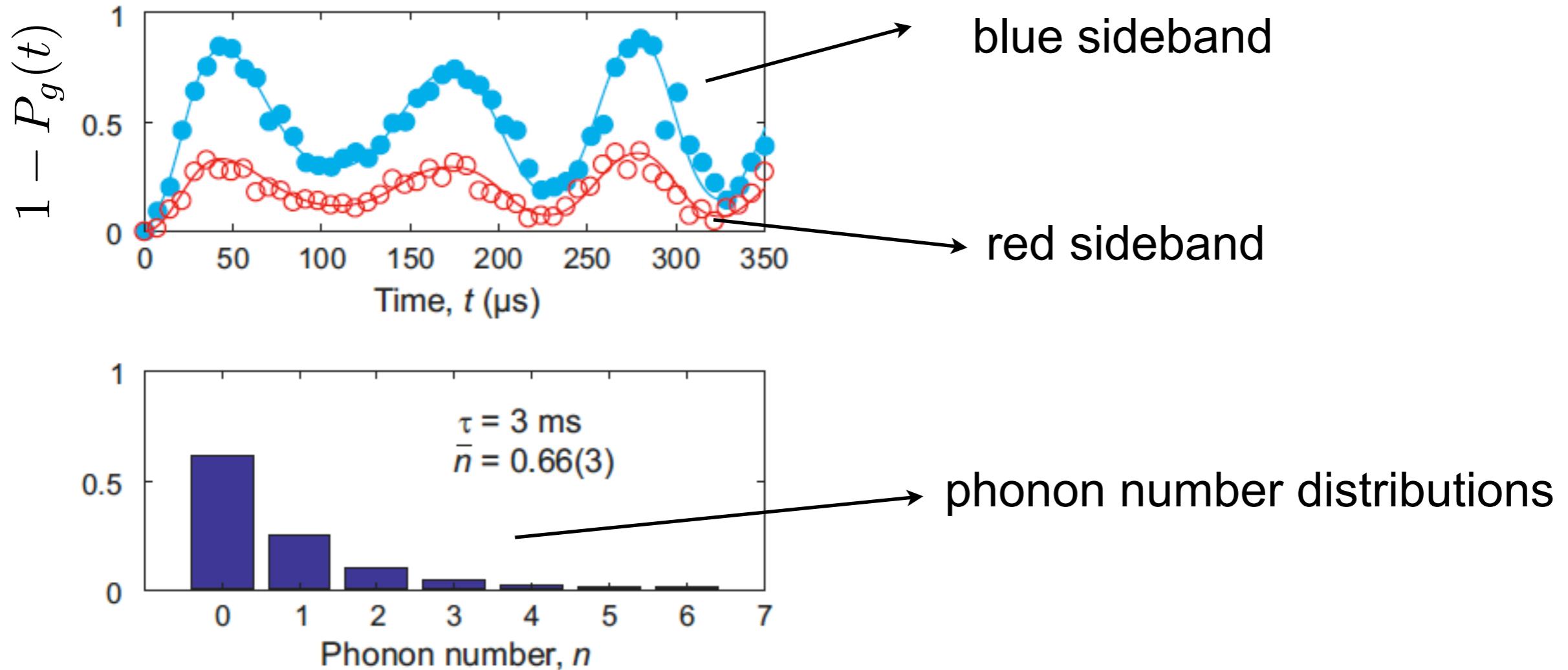
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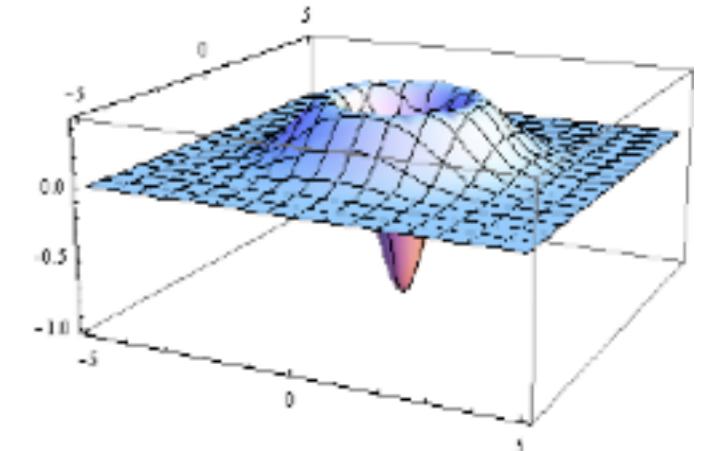
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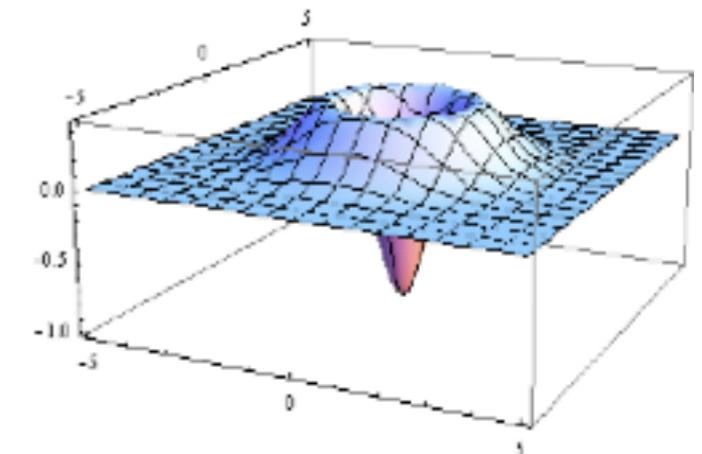


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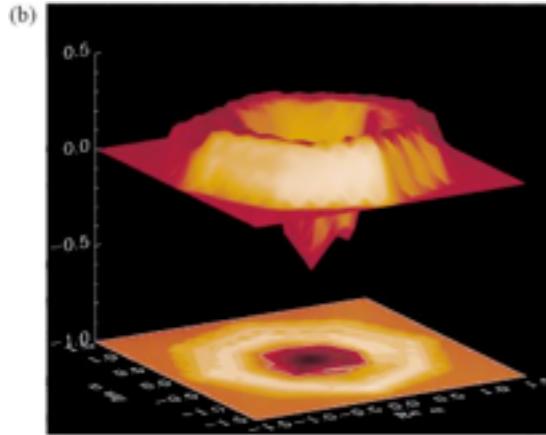
Identity [1]: $W(\alpha) = \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n P_n(\alpha)$

$$P_n(\alpha) = \text{Tr}\{\mathcal{D}^\dagger(\alpha)\rho\mathcal{D}(\alpha)\} \quad \dots \text{ populations of oscillator state displaced by } -\alpha$$

Quantum state preparation & tomography

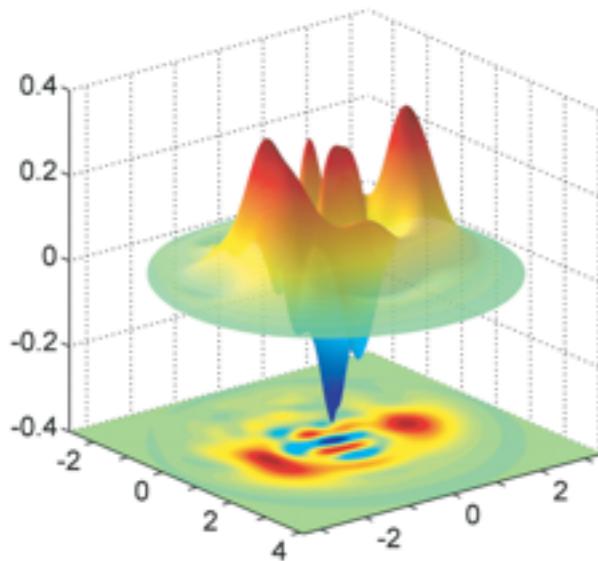
1. Prepare arbitrary motional superposition state ρ_m .
2. Displace the state of the ion by $-\alpha$.
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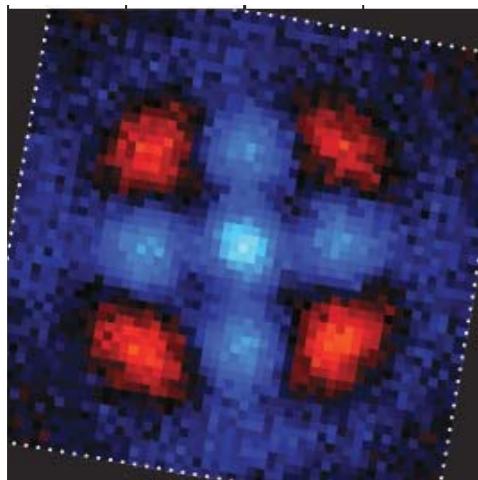
- *Reconstructed Wigner function of a Fock state $n=1$ of a trapped ion.*

D. Leibfried et al., PRL 77, 4281 (1996)



- *Reconstructed Wigner function of a Schrödinger cat state of a microwave cavity.*

S. Deléglise et al., Nature 455, 510 (2008)



- *Reconstructed Wigner function of the state $|0\rangle + |4\rangle$ of a superconducting LC circuit.*

M. Hofheinz et al., Nature 459, 546 (2009)