

Phase 1 Project 102_Updated: Quantum Dot Spin Qubits for Quantum Computing: Theoretical Investigations and Advanced Simulations

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Overview: The project titled "Quantum Dot Spin Qubits for Quantum Computing: Theoretical Investigations and Advanced Simulations" is a comprehensive research endeavor aimed at advancing the field of quantum computing by harnessing the unique properties of semiconductor quantum dots. This project combines theoretical investigations with cutting-edge simulations, offering a multidisciplinary approach to address critical challenges in the development of quantum dot-based qubits for quantum computing.

Theoretical Aspects: The project begins with a profound exploration of the theoretical underpinnings of using semiconductor quantum dots as qubits. By employing electronic structure methods, many-body theory, and statistical mechanics, we aim to gain a deep understanding of the electronic properties, energy levels, and interactions within quantum dots. These foundational insights will inform the subsequent stages of qubit design and performance optimization.

Simulations and Tools: To bridge the gap between theory and practical implementation, the project utilizes advanced scientific computing techniques. Monte Carlo simulations and molecular dynamics simulations are employed to model the behavior of quantum dots at both atomic and molecular scales. These simulations aid in characterizing material properties, understanding decoherence mechanisms, optimizing control techniques, and developing strategies for error correction. In addition, quantum simulations using state-of-the-art platforms, and high-performance computing resources further enhance our ability to simulate and test quantum dot qubits.

Intellectual Merit: By integrating theoretical insights with advanced simulations, we strive to:

- Develop a comprehensive understanding of quantum dot behavior at the atomic and electronic levels.
- Design quantum dot arrays with enhanced stability and qubit performance.
- Optimize control techniques for single- and two-qubit gates to improve gate fidelities.
- Investigate and mitigate decoherence factors by studying environmental interactions.
- Explore error correction strategies to enhance qubit reliability.
- Optimize quantum circuits using advanced quantum simulations and computational resources.
- Contribute to the theoretical foundations of quantum computing and materials science, offering valuable insights for the broader scientific community.

Broader Impacts: The project's broader impacts extend to both the scientific community and society at large. By advancing the capabilities of quantum dot spin qubits for quantum computing, we anticipate:

- The development of more robust and efficient quantum computing technologies with wide-ranging applications in cryptography, materials science, and drug discovery.
- The potential for breakthroughs in quantum information theory, advancing our understanding of fundamental physical principles.
- A positive societal impact through innovations in computational power, leading to solutions for complex real-world problems, and contributing to the global push for technological advancements.