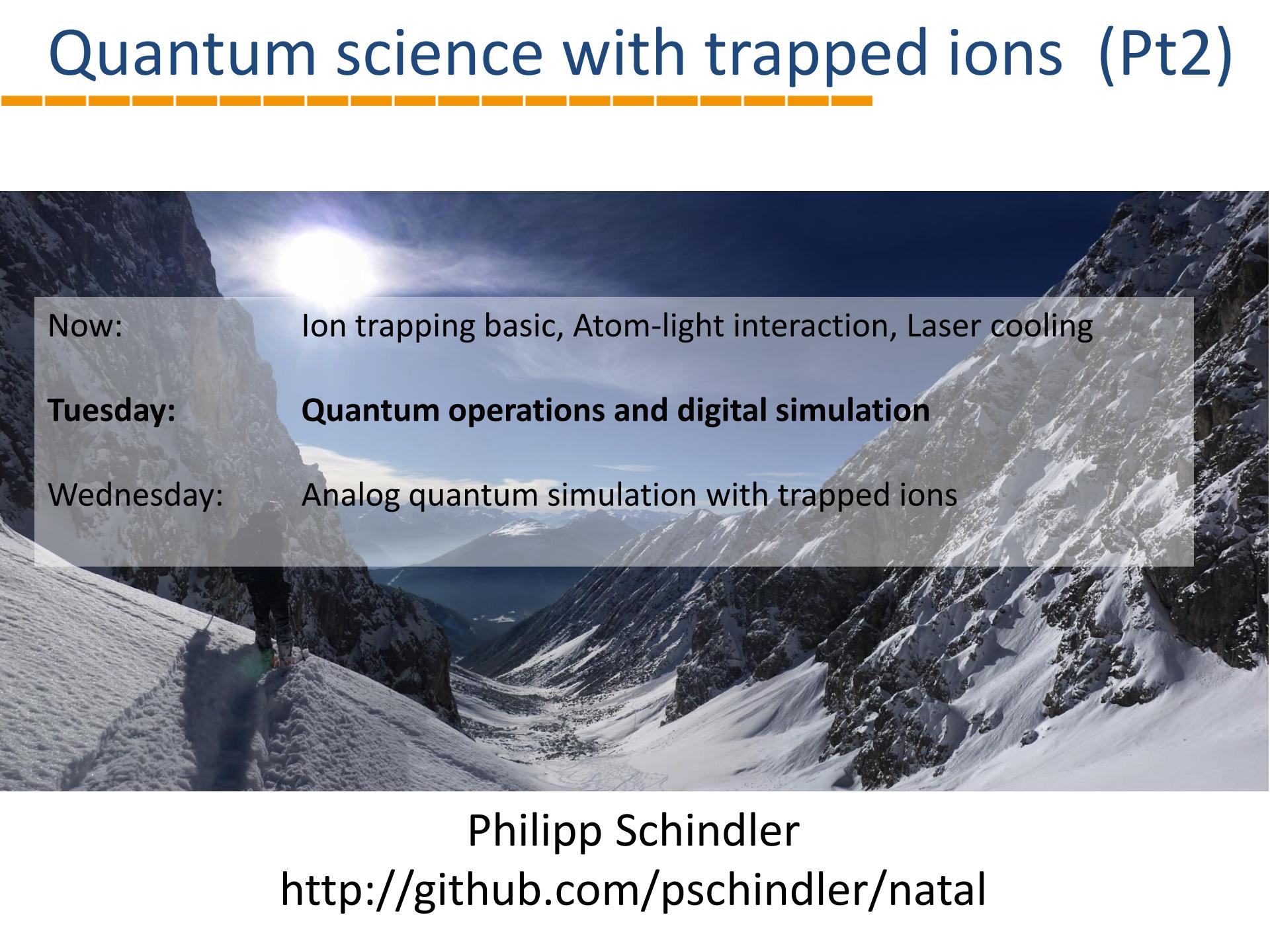


Quantum science with trapped ions (Pt2)



Now: Ion trapping basic, Atom-light interaction, Laser cooling

Tuesday: **Quantum operations and digital simulation**

Wednesday: Analog quantum simulation with trapped ions

Philipp Schindler

<http://github.com/pschindler/natal>

- Trap single atoms with varying field
- 3D harmonic oscillator
- Manipulate electronic state with e/m fields
- Couple motion of the ions with the light fields using sidebands

CCD

Repetition from this morning

Lamb-Dicke regime:

Extension of the ion's wave function Ψ much smaller than optical wavelength

$$\eta \sqrt{\langle \Psi | (a + a^\dagger)^2 | \Psi \rangle} \ll 1$$

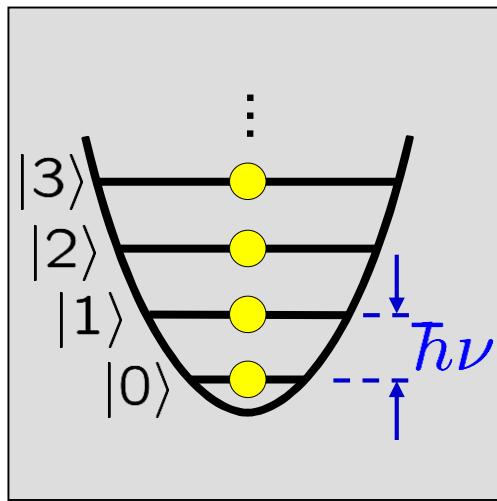
For $\Psi = |n\rangle$: $\eta \sqrt{2n+1} \ll 1$

Taylor expansion of the exponential up to first order:

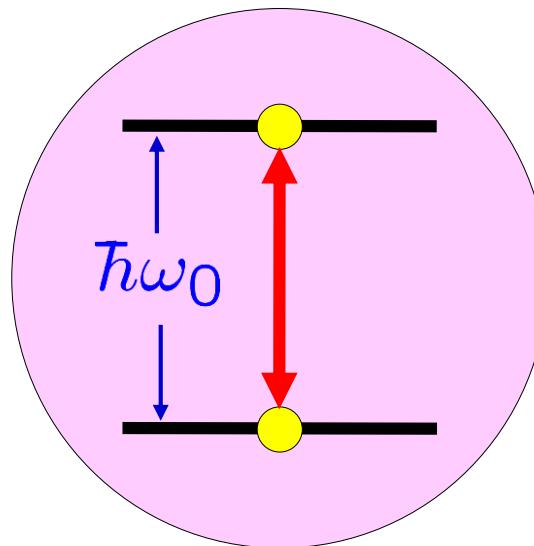
$$H_{int} = \frac{\hbar\Omega}{2} \sigma_+ \{1 + i\eta(e^{-i\nu t} a + e^{i\nu t} a^\dagger)\} e^{-i\delta t + i\phi} + h.c.$$

Laser cooling

Harmonic oscillator



Quantum bit



Including
spontaneous
decay

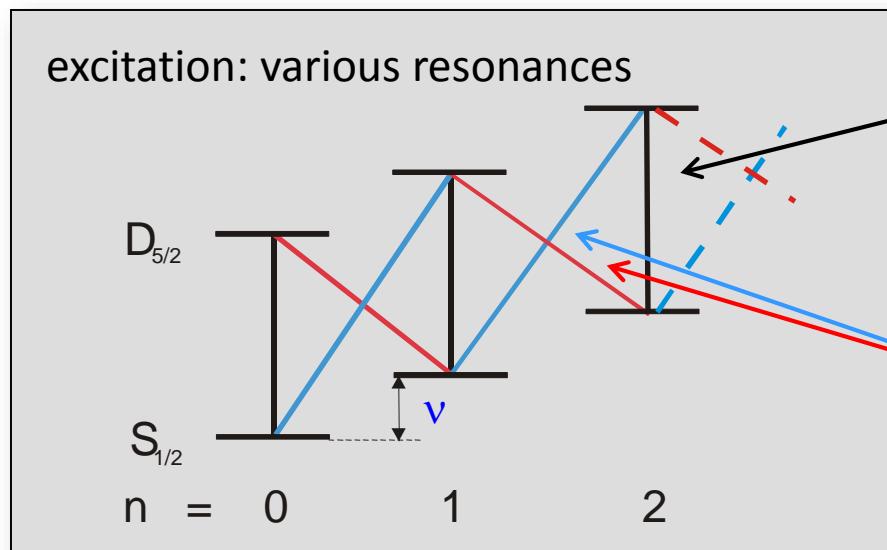
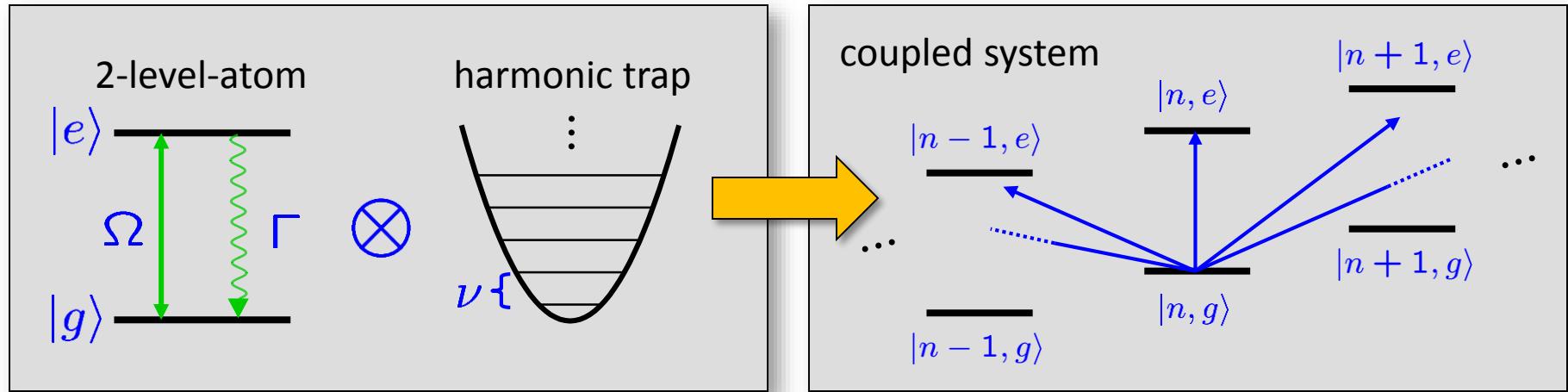
motional states

$|0\rangle, |1\rangle, |2\rangle, |3\rangle, \dots$

internal states

$|\uparrow\rangle, |\downarrow\rangle$

Qubit manipulation



Carrier:
manipulate qubit
→ internal superpositions

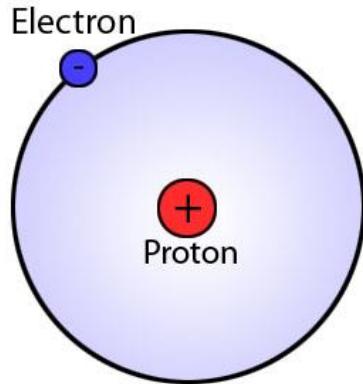
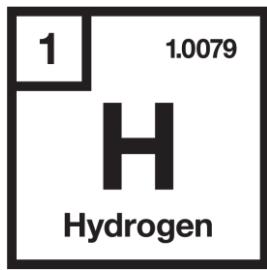
Sidebands:
manipulate motion and qubit
→ create entanglement

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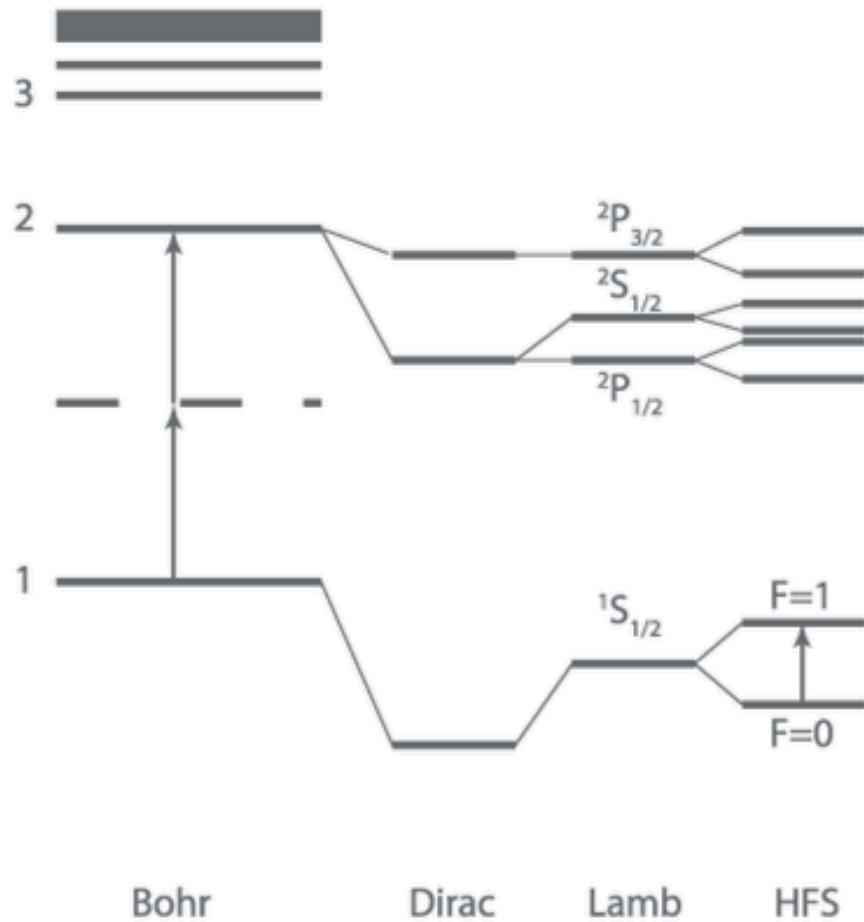
Physicists like it simple



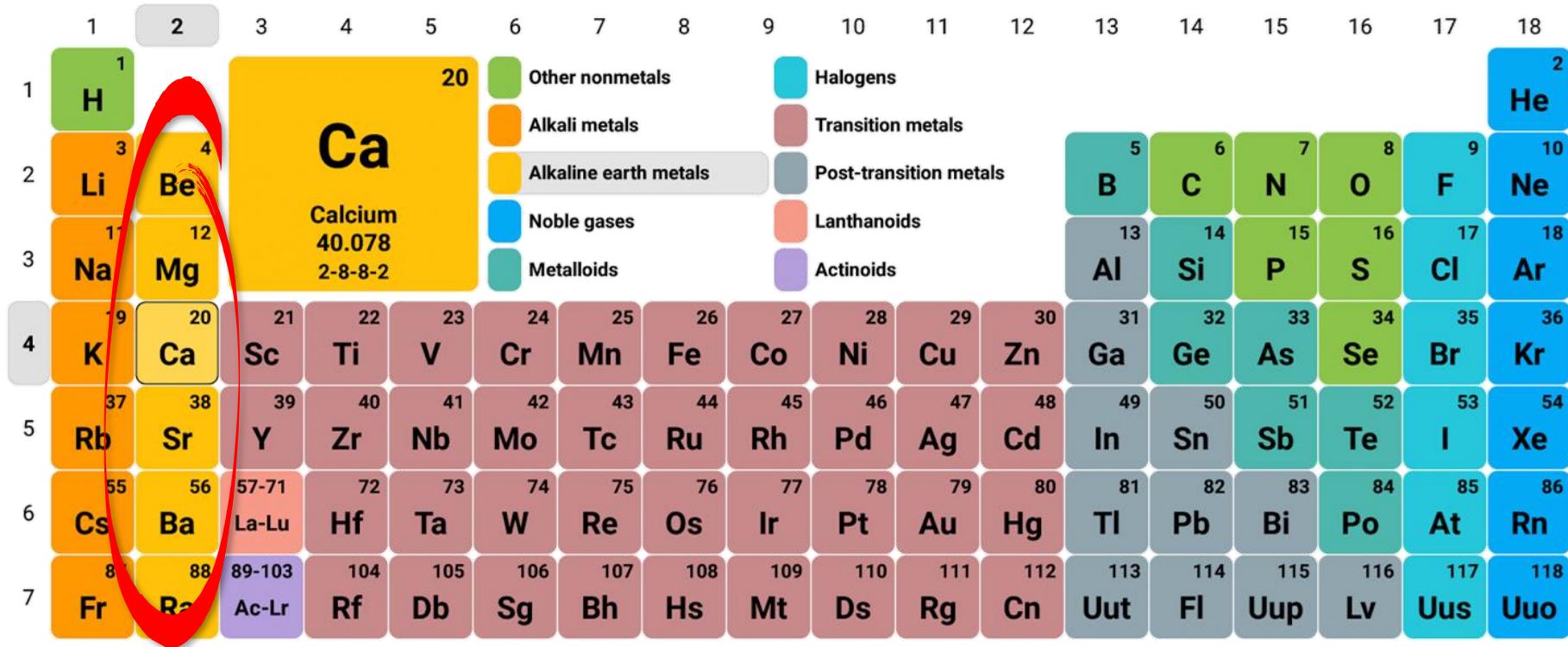
As simple as it gets:

- Only one electron
- No rotations
- No vibrations

Energy levels



Ion trappers favorites



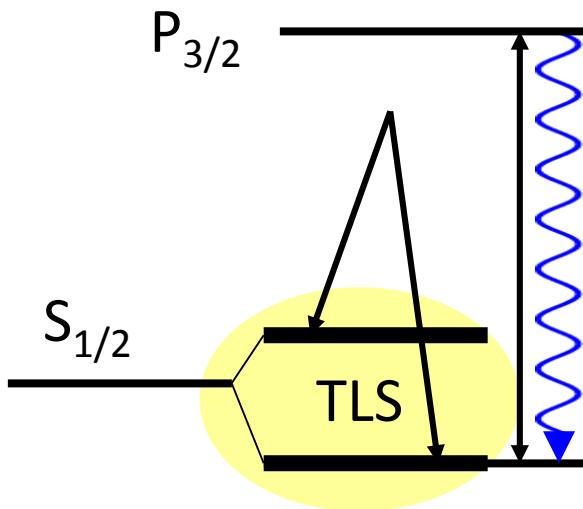
For elements with no stable isotopes, the mass number of the isotope with the longest half-life is in parentheses.

57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71
La	Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu
89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102	103
Ac	Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	Lr

Possible qubits

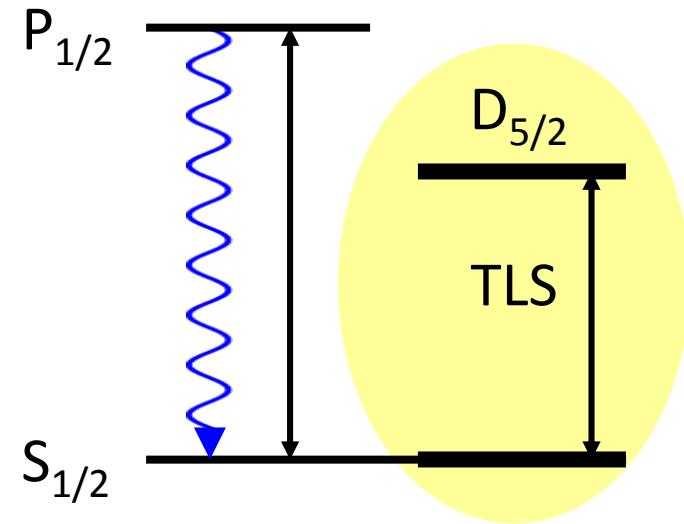
Storing and keeping quantum information requires **long-lived atomic states**:

- microwave transitions
(hyperfine transitions,
Zeeman transitions)
alkaline earths:
 ${}^9\text{Be}^+$, ${}^{25}\text{Mg}^+$, ${}^{43}\text{Ca}^+$, ${}^{87}\text{Sr}^+$,
 ${}^{137}\text{Ba}^+$, ${}^{111}\text{Cd}^+$, ${}^{171}\text{Yb}^+$



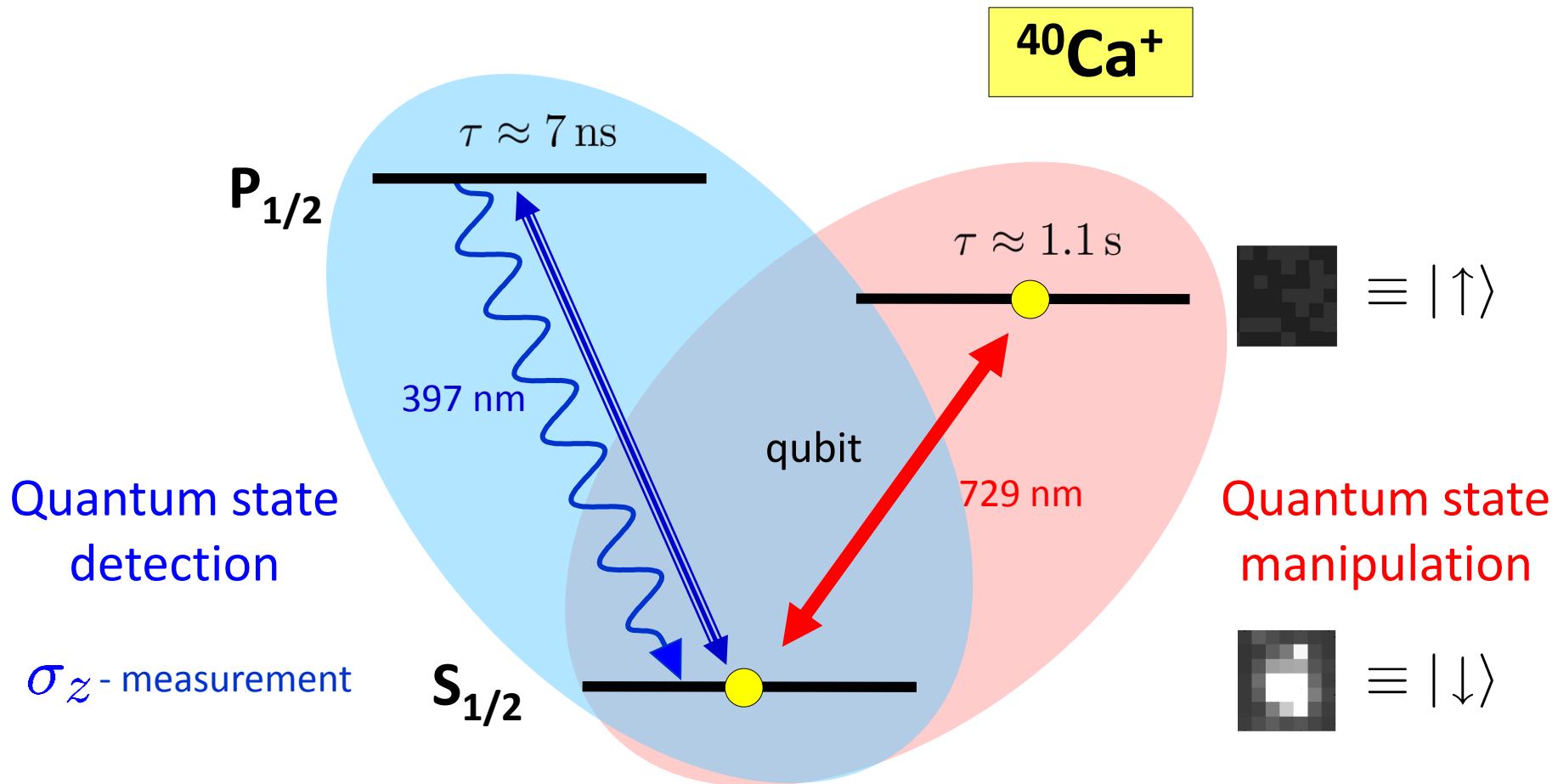
Boulder ${}^9\text{Be}^+$; Michigan ${}^{111}\text{Cd}^+$;
Innsbruck ${}^{43}\text{Ca}^+$, Oxford ${}^{43}\text{Ca}^+$;
Maryland ${}^{171}\text{Yb}^+$;

- optical transition frequencies
(forbidden transitions,
intercombination lines)
S – D transitions in alkaline earths:
 Ca^+ , Sr^+ , Ba^+ , Ra^+ , (${}^{171}\text{Yb}^+$, ${}^{203}\text{Hg}^+$) etc.



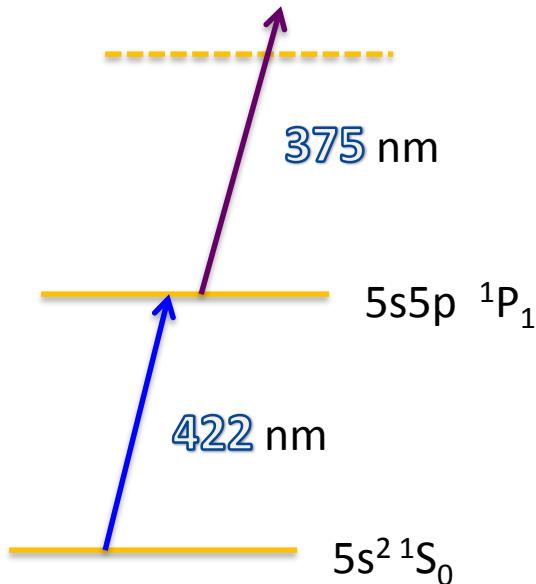
Innsbruck ${}^{40}\text{Ca}^+$

Calcium ions

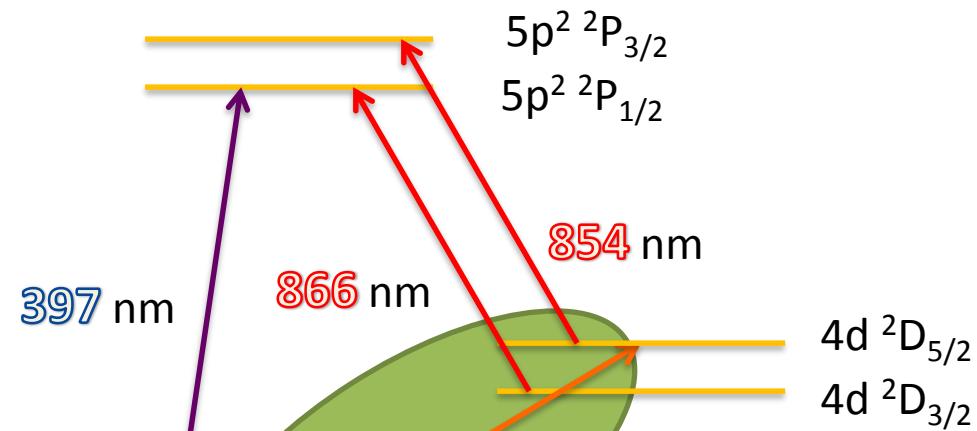


Required lasers

Ca energy levels

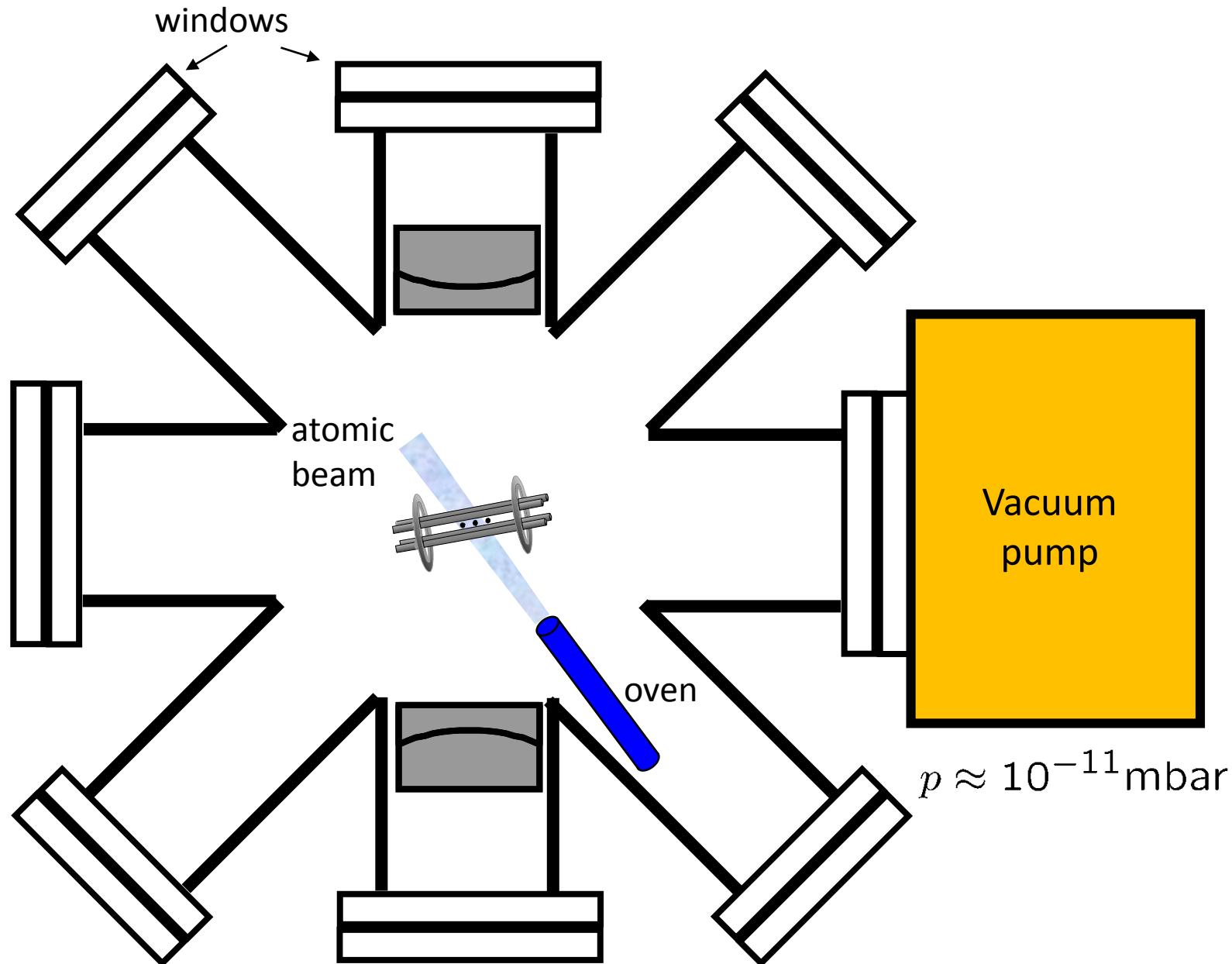


Ca⁺ energy levels



6 laser systems required

Ion loading



Ion loading

An oven produces a weak atomic beam of neutral calcium crossing the trap

Loading of ions into the trap by

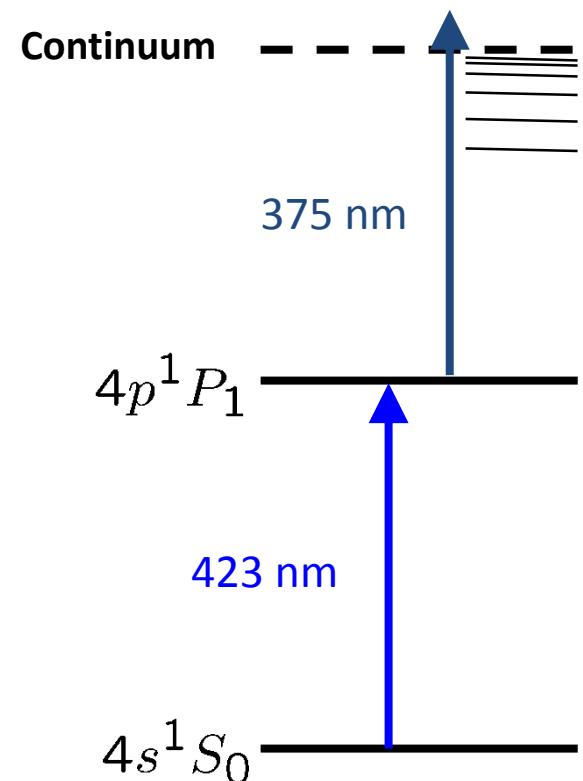
- electron bombardement
- photoionization

(experimentally demonstrated for Mg^+ , Ca^+ , Cd^+)

2-step photoionization of
neutral calcium

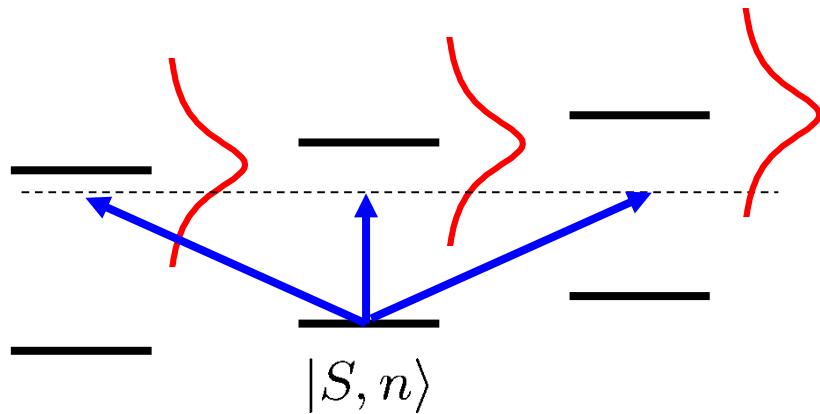
Advantages of photoionization:

- higher cross-section
- isotope-selective loading



Laser cooling regimes

Doppler cooling

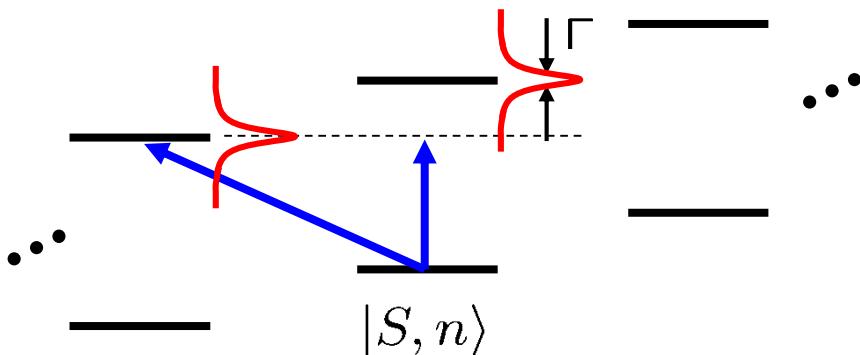


$\nu \ll \Gamma$ **weak** confinement,
Doppler cooling

$$\langle n \rangle = \frac{\Gamma}{2\nu} > 1$$

if laser detuned by $\Delta = -\Gamma/2$

Sideband cooling



$\nu \gg \Gamma$ **strong** confinement,
sideband cooling

$$\langle n \rangle = \frac{\Gamma^2}{4\nu^2} \ll 1$$

if laser detuned by $\Delta = -\nu$

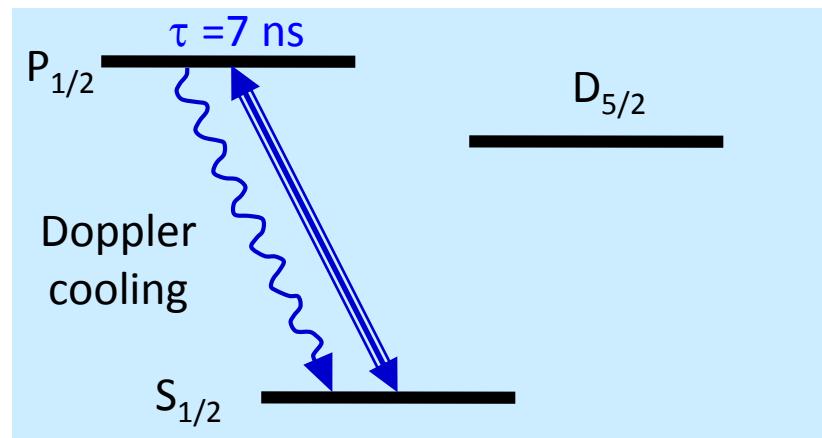
Laser cooling in Ca

1. Doppler cooling on $S_{1/2}$ - $P_{1/2}$ transition:

Fast cooling rate

$$\langle n \rangle = \frac{\Gamma}{2\nu} \approx 2 - 10$$

(2 ms Doppler cooling)



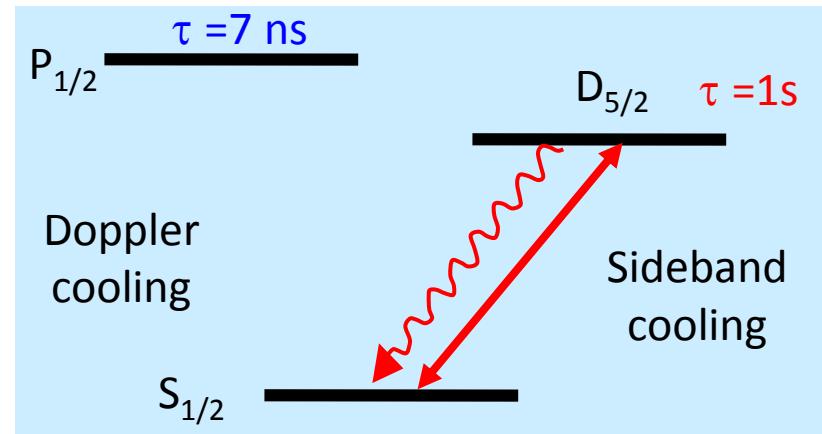
2. Sideband cooling on $S_{1/2}$ - $D_{5/2}$ transition:

Slower cooling rate, but better cooling results

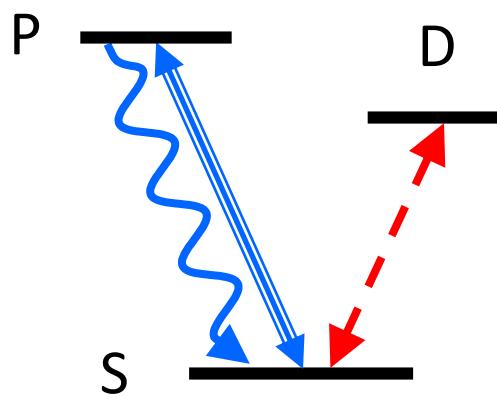
$$\langle n \rangle_{exp} \approx 0.001 - 0.01$$

(5-10 ms sideband cooling)

(For sideband cooling, the lifetime of the D5/2 state is artificially shortened by coupling it to the P3/2 state -> higher cooling rate)

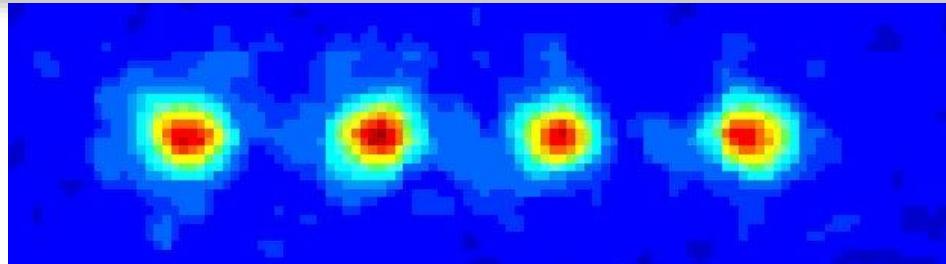
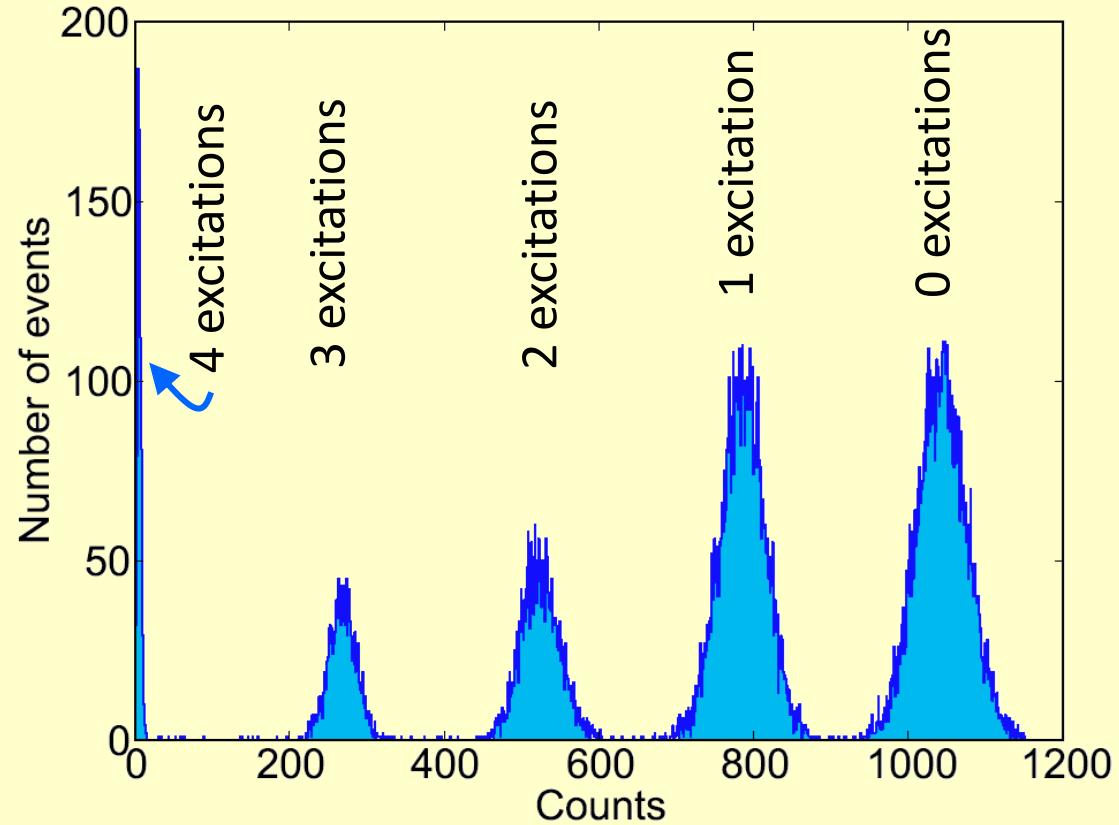


Qubit measurement



**Detection:
Quantum Jumps**

- Projection of ions to either S or D states,



Cooling

Manipulation

Detection

Repeat 100
times

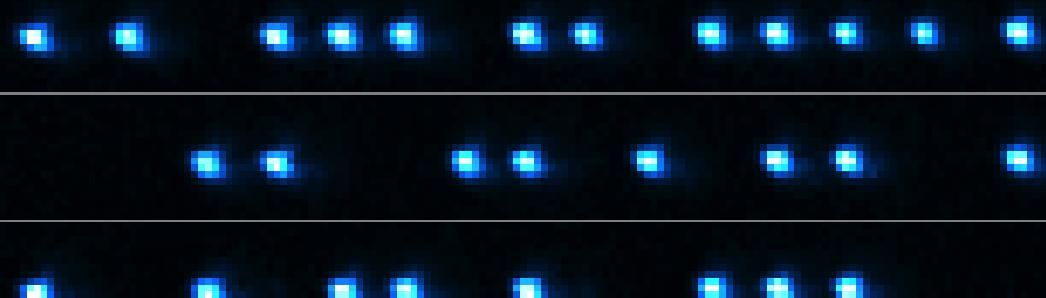
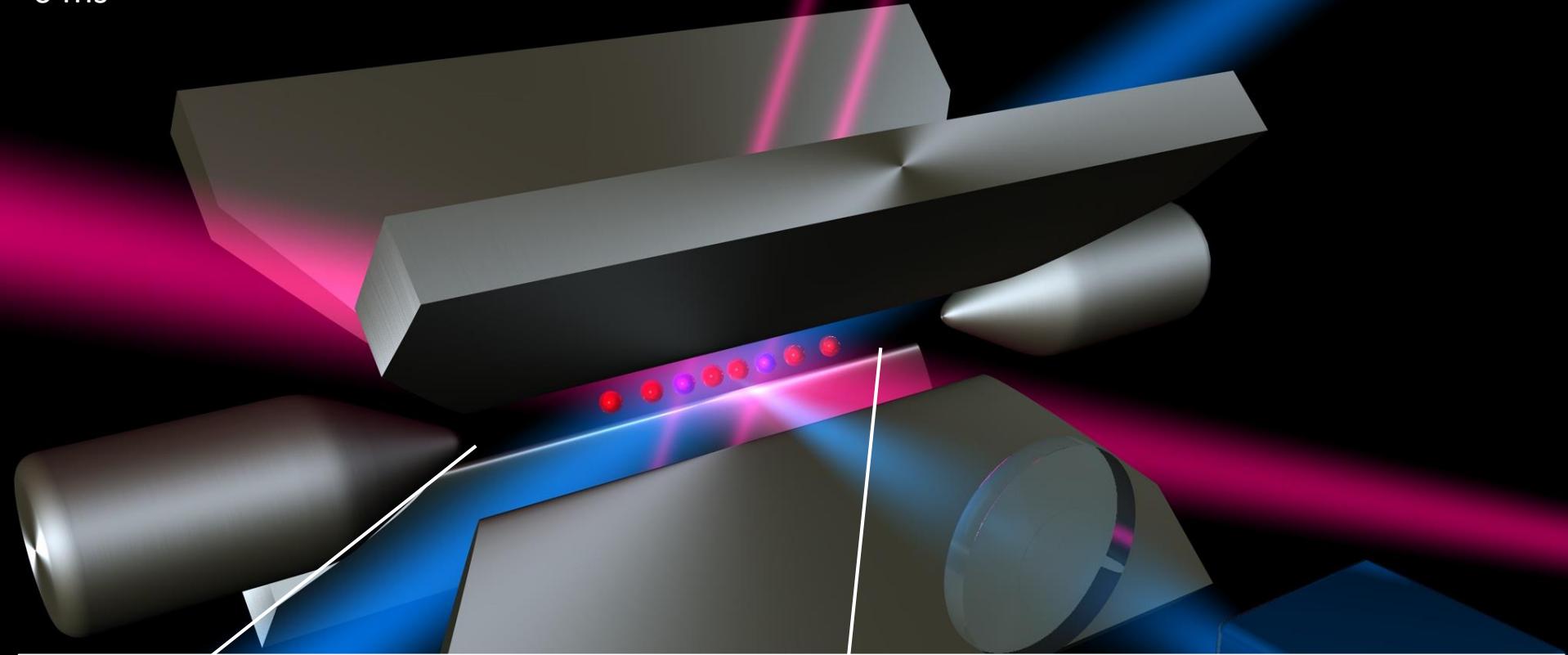
0 ms

6 ms

7 ms

10 ms

50 -100 times / s



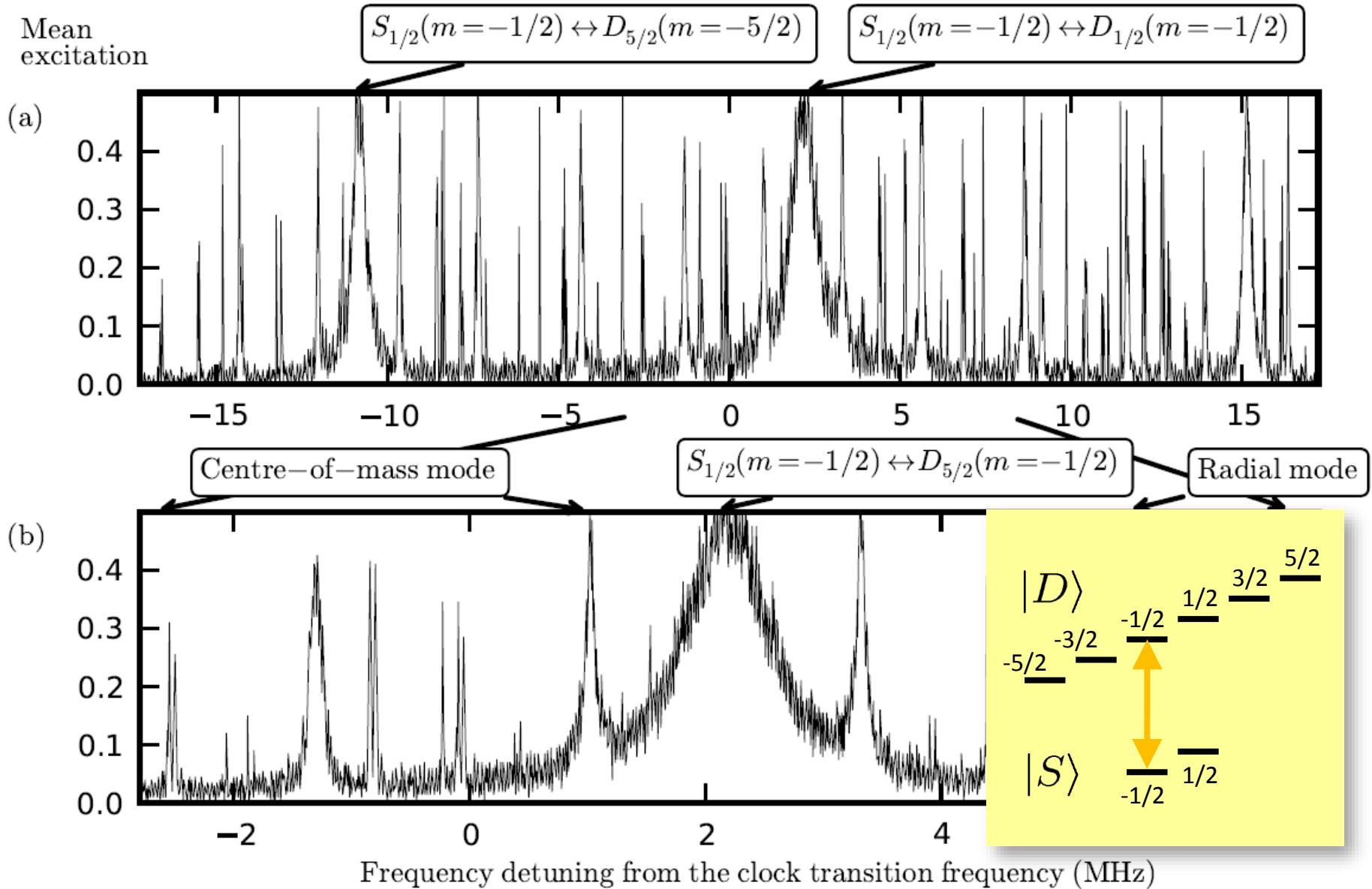
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It's a two-level system?

Mean
excitation

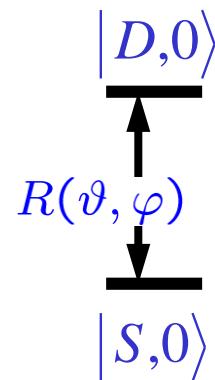
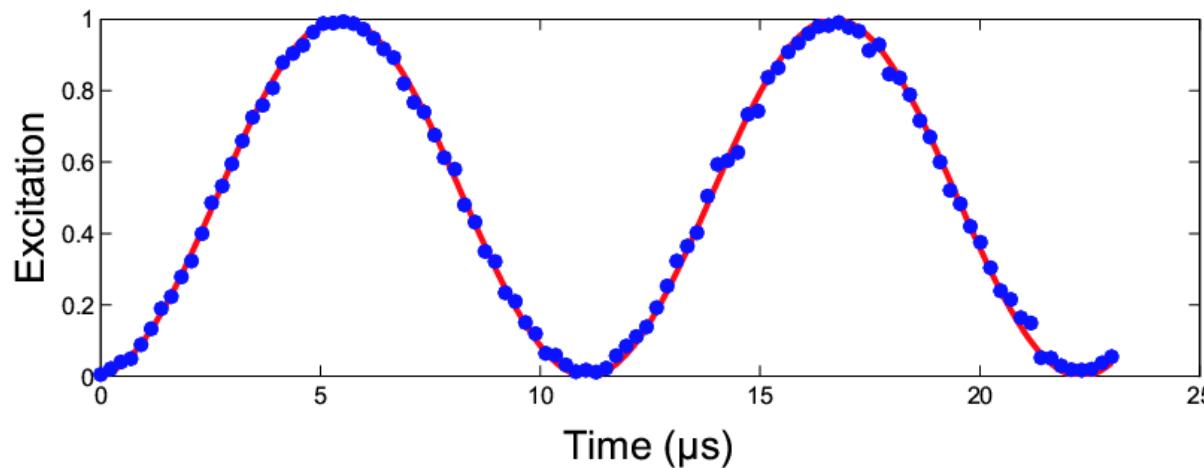


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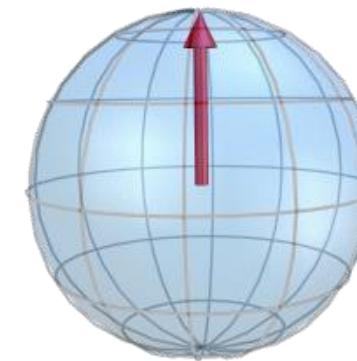


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Rabi flopping – Single qubit operations

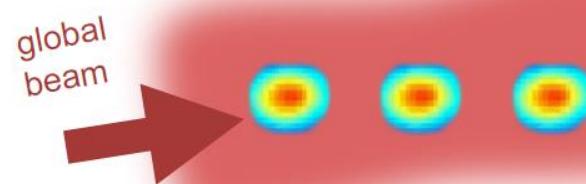
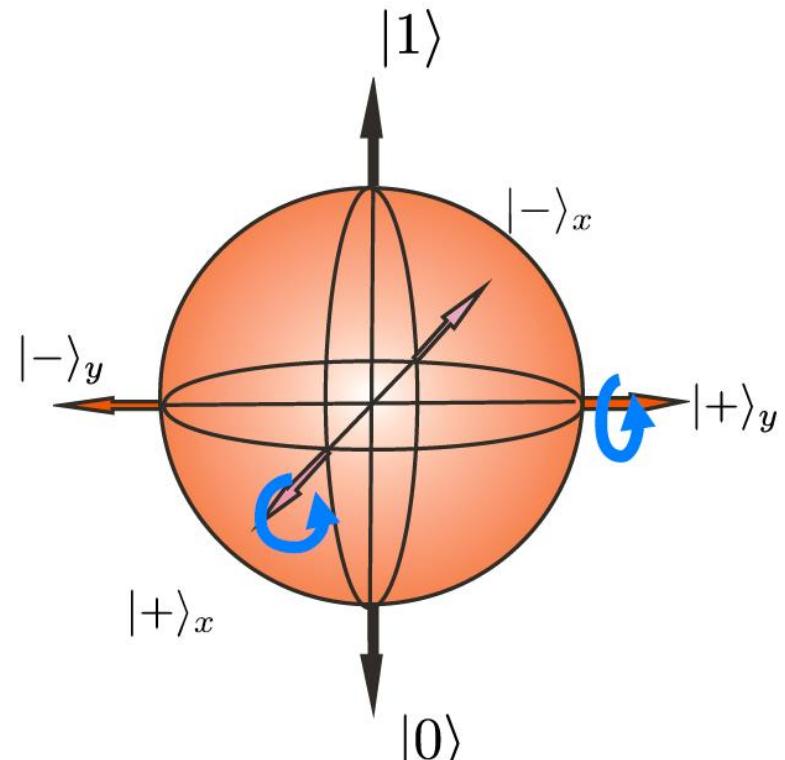
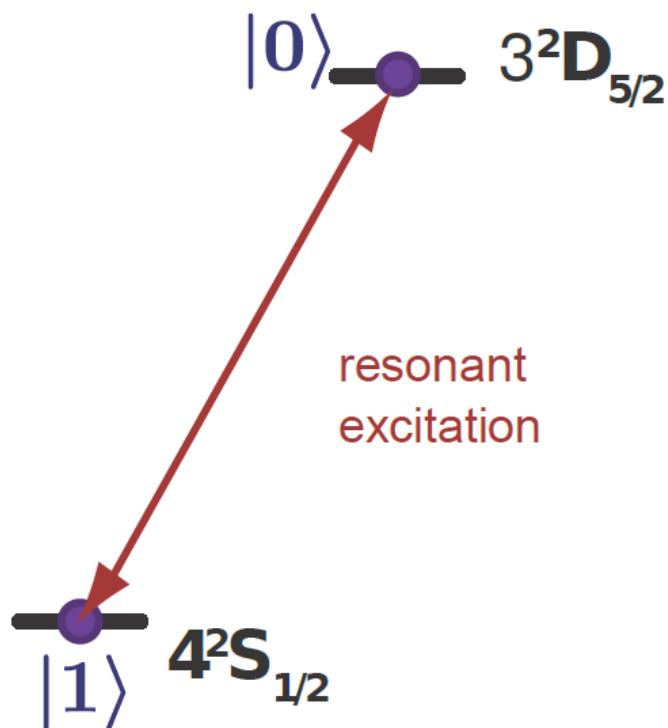


Carrier Rabi oscillations
with Rabi frequencies

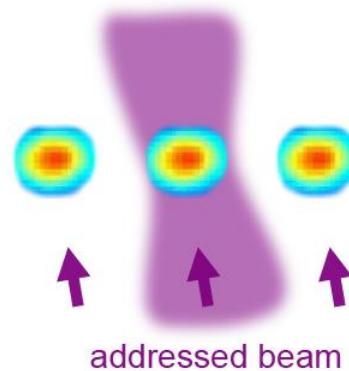
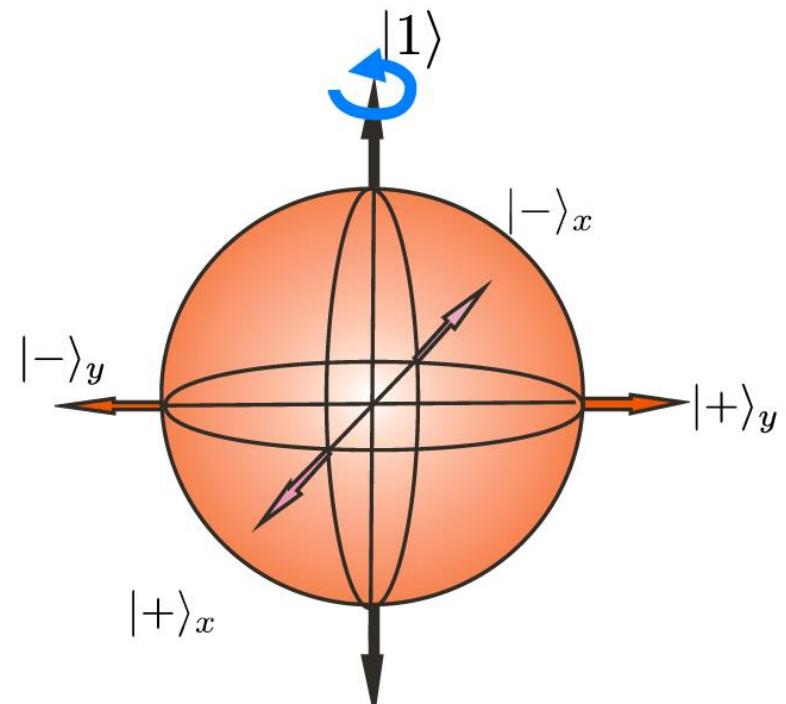
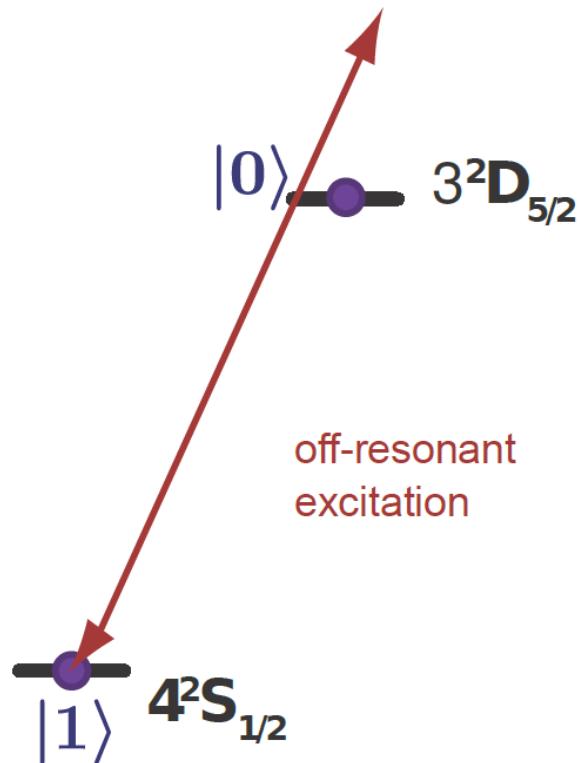


Rotations on the Bloch sphere

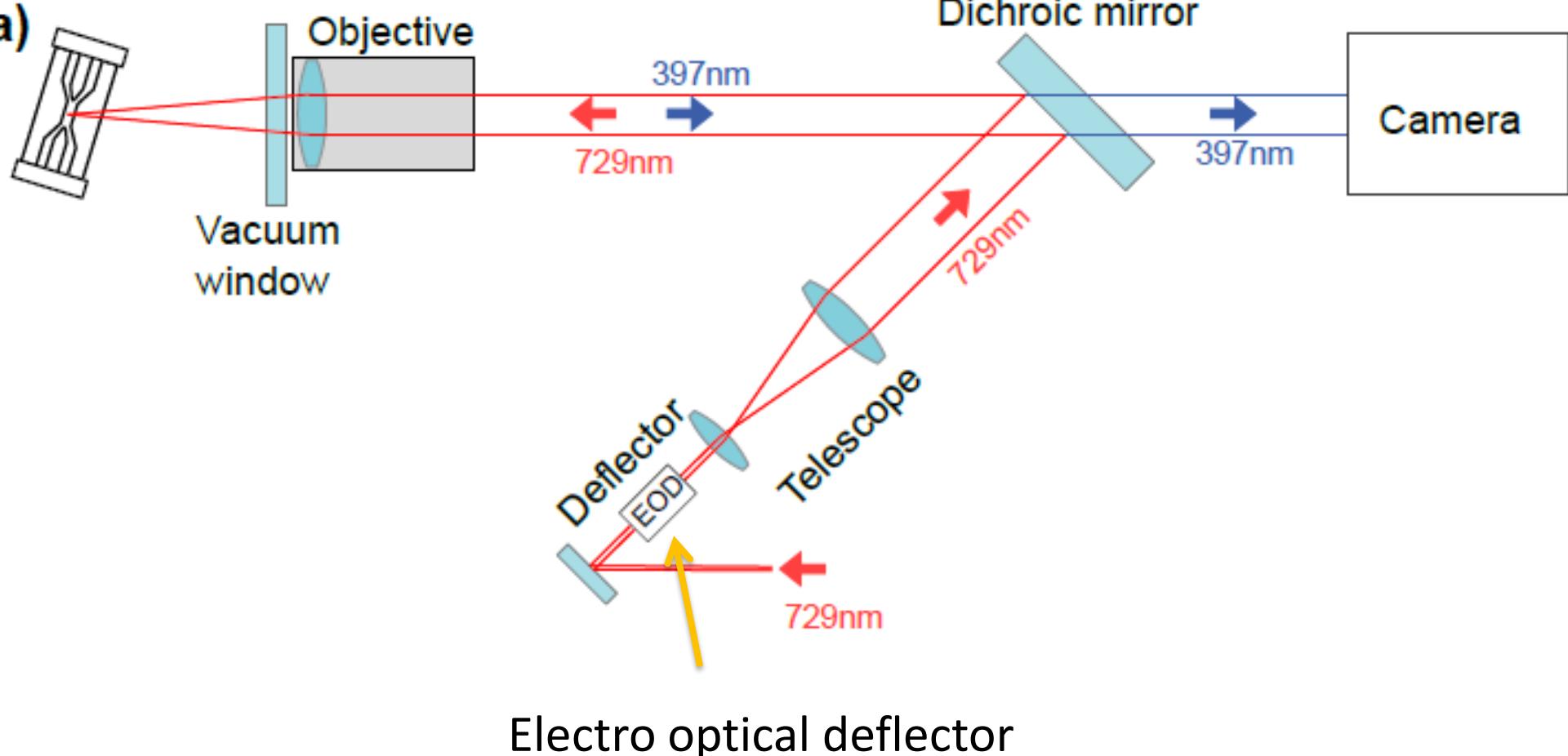
Collective local operations



Single qubit operations



Single ion addressing

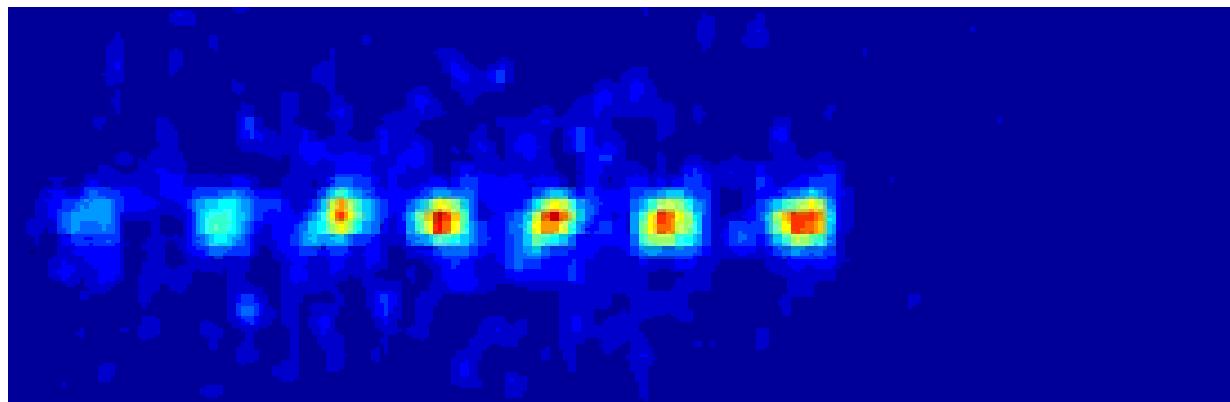


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More ions



Normal modes of ion crystals

At low temperatures, ions oscillate around their equilibrium positions

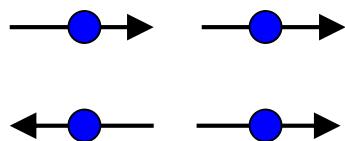
Coulomb interaction: coupling of ion motion

→ small excitations : collective normal modes

For the calculation of the normal mode frequencies:

Taylor expansion of Coulomb force and trapping force around the equil. positions

2 ions:



center of mass mode

$$\nu_1 = \nu_z$$

breathing mode

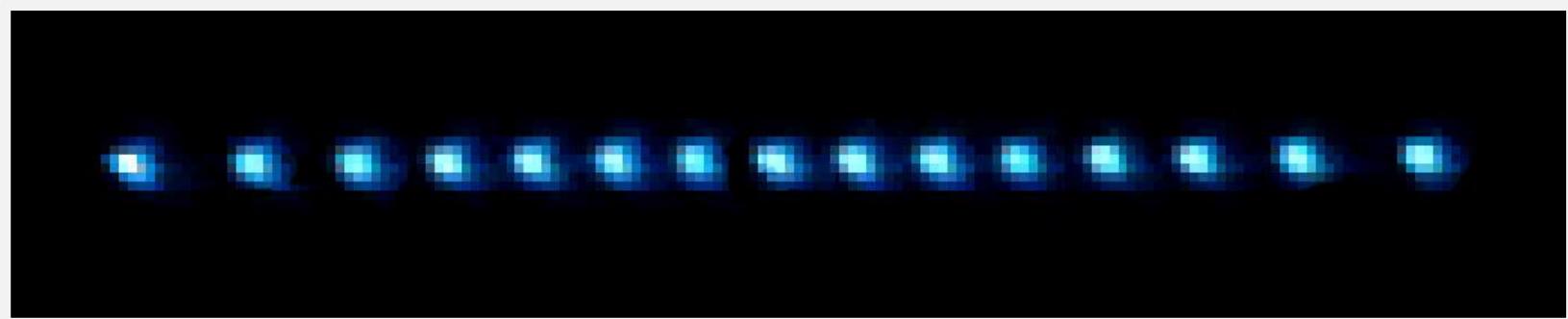
$$\nu_2 = \sqrt{3}\nu_z$$

Ion crystals

Equilibrium positions:

Minimize potential energy of ions in a linear chain:

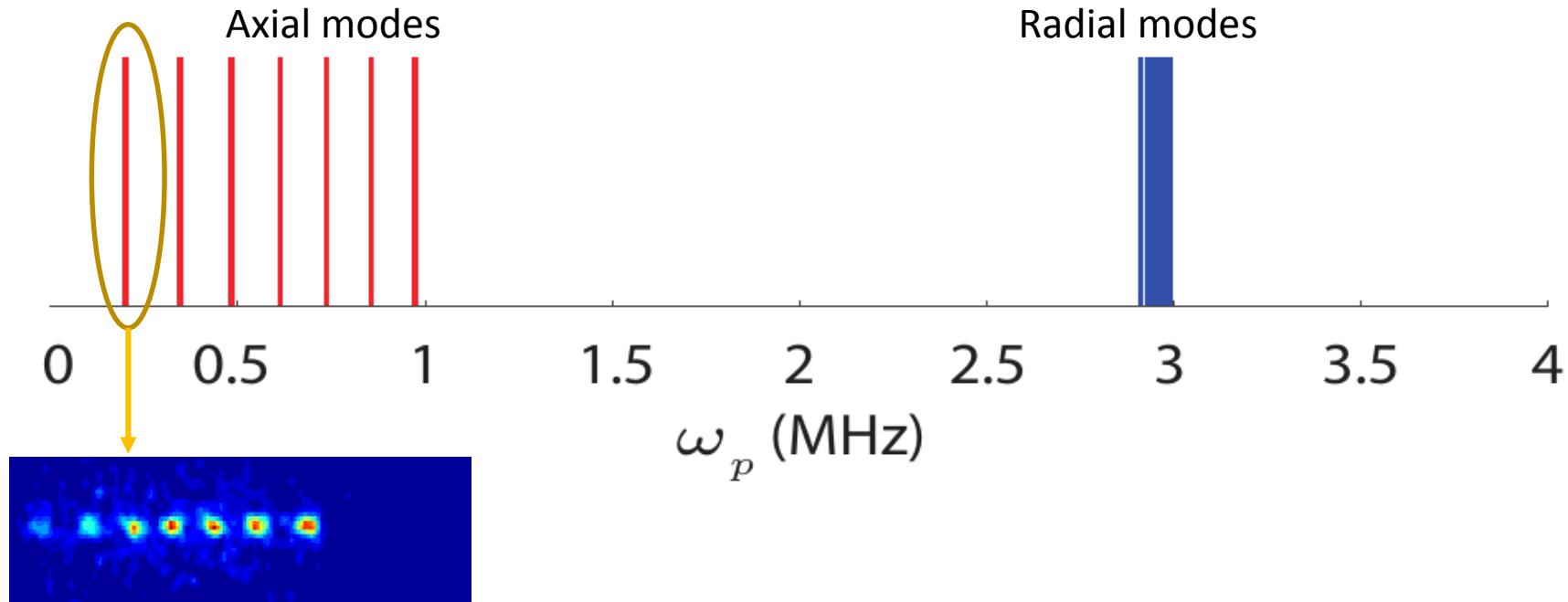
$$V = \frac{m\omega_z^2}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N z_i(t)^2 + \frac{(Ze)^2}{8\pi\varepsilon_0} \sum_{\substack{j,i=1 \\ n \neq i}}^N \frac{1}{|z_j(t) - z_i(t)|}$$



Normal modes

Perform Taylor expansion around equilibrium positions to find normal modes.

Analogous to 3D classical coupled harmonic oscillator: $3N$ modes.

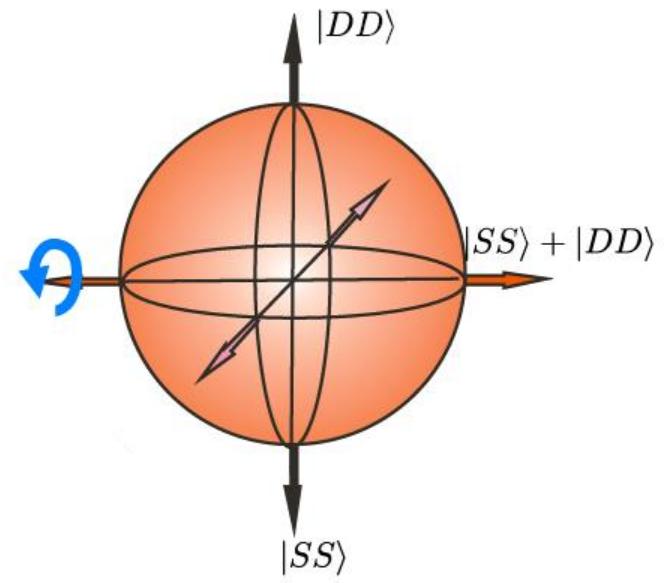


Mølmer-Sørensen entangling operation

Based on state-dependent light forces.

Works for any number of qubits

Effective infinite range 2-body interaction.



T. Monz et al., *PRL*. **106**, 130506 (2011).

K. Mølmer and A. Sørensen, *PRL* 82, 1835 (1999).

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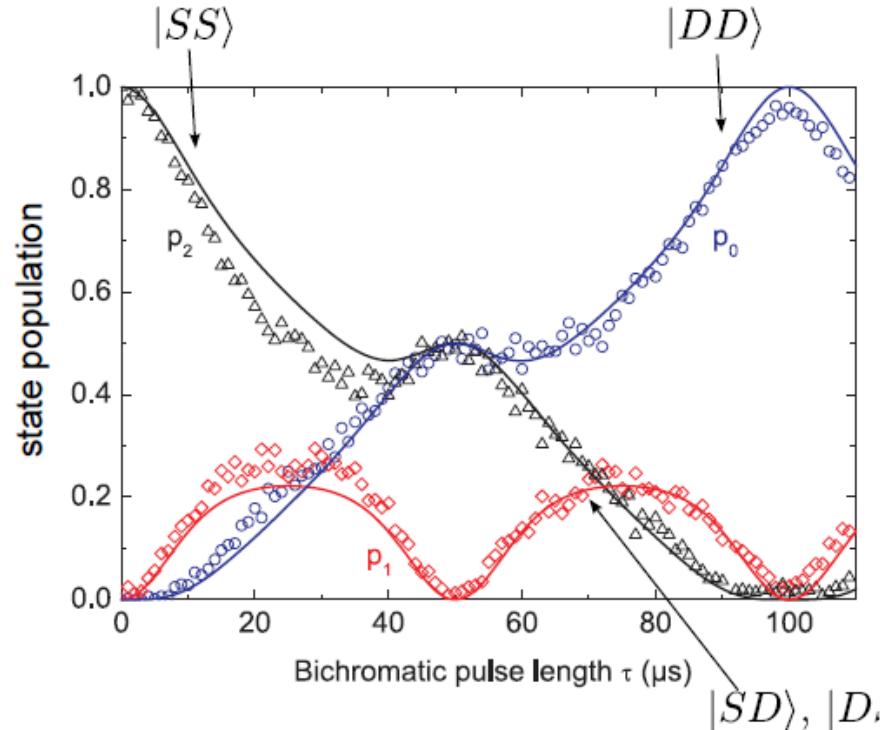
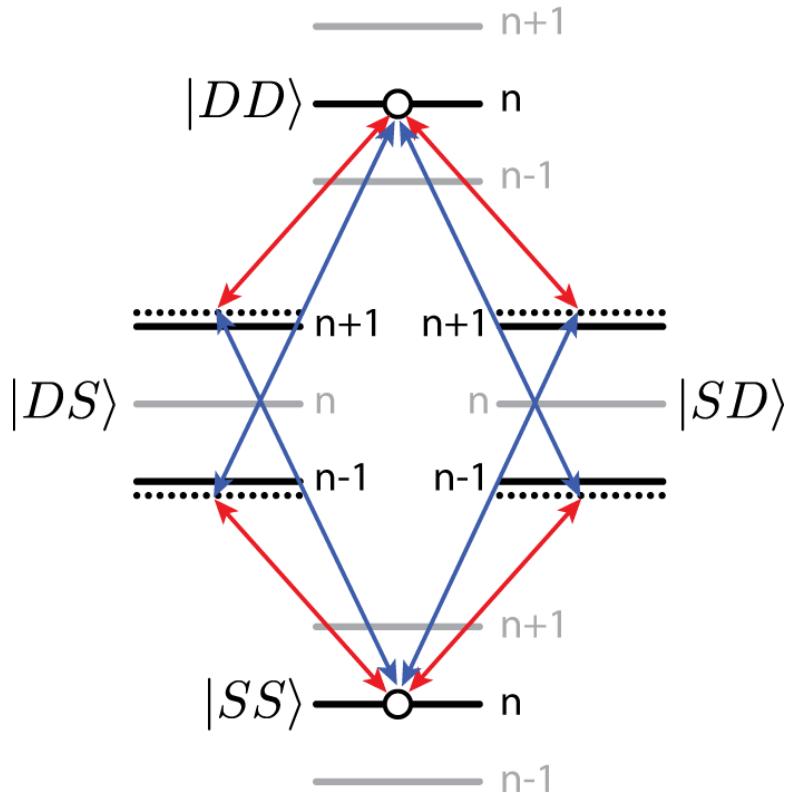
Lamb Dicke approximation interaction Hamiltonian for a single light field:

$$\hbar \frac{\Omega}{2} \left\{ (e^{-i(\Delta t - \phi_L)}) \sigma_+ \left[1 + i\eta (ae^{-i\omega_t t} + a^\dagger e^{i\omega_t t}) \right] + h.c. \right\}.$$

Further derivation on the blackboard.

C. F. Roos, New Journal of Physics 10, 013002 (2008)

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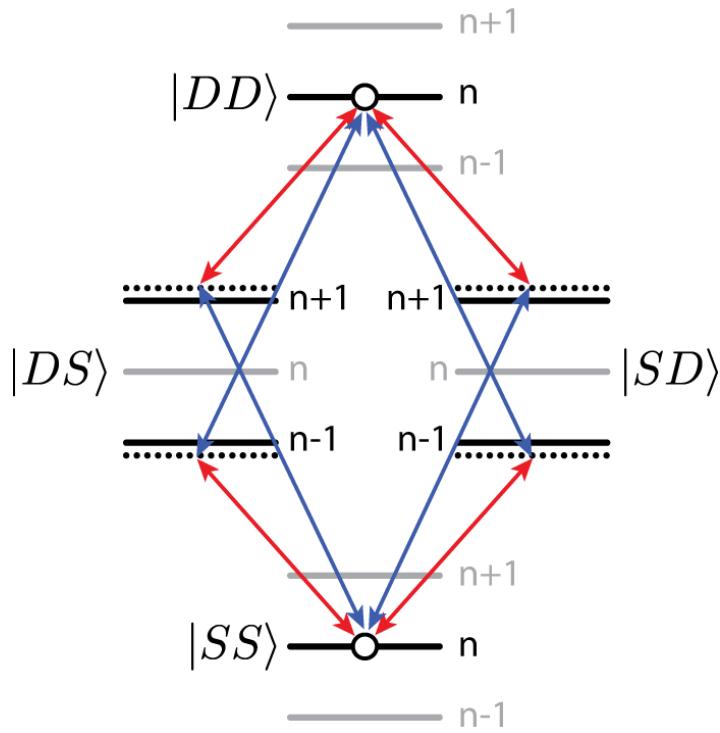


Off-resonant coupling to the sidebands
Unwanted populations interfere destructively

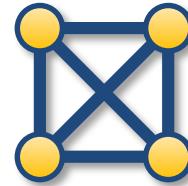
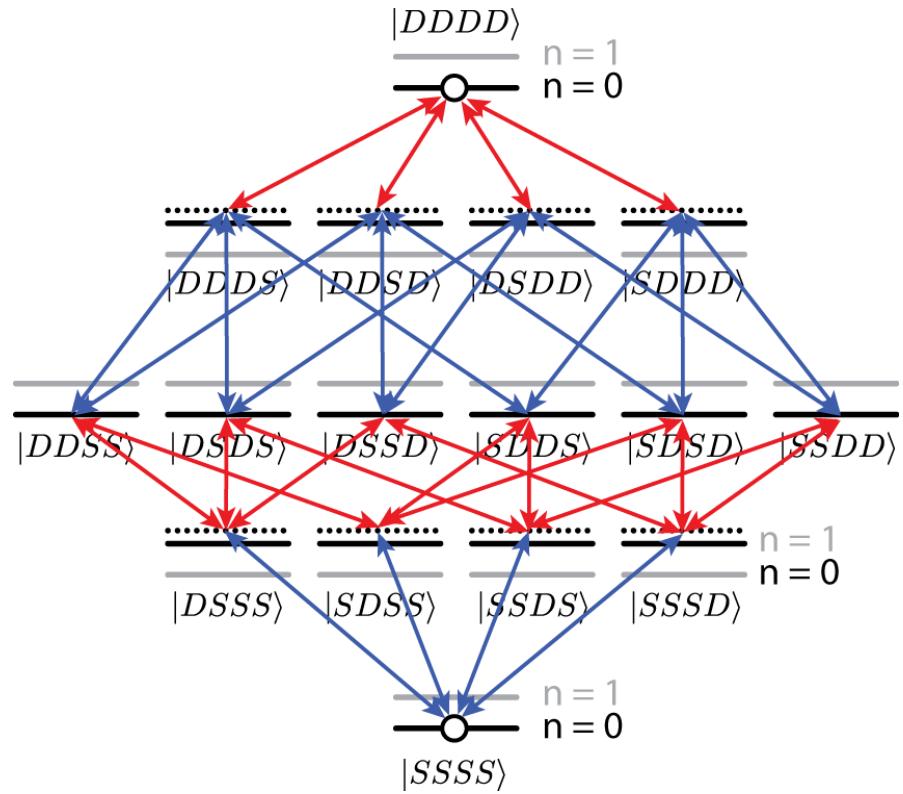
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Multi path interferometer

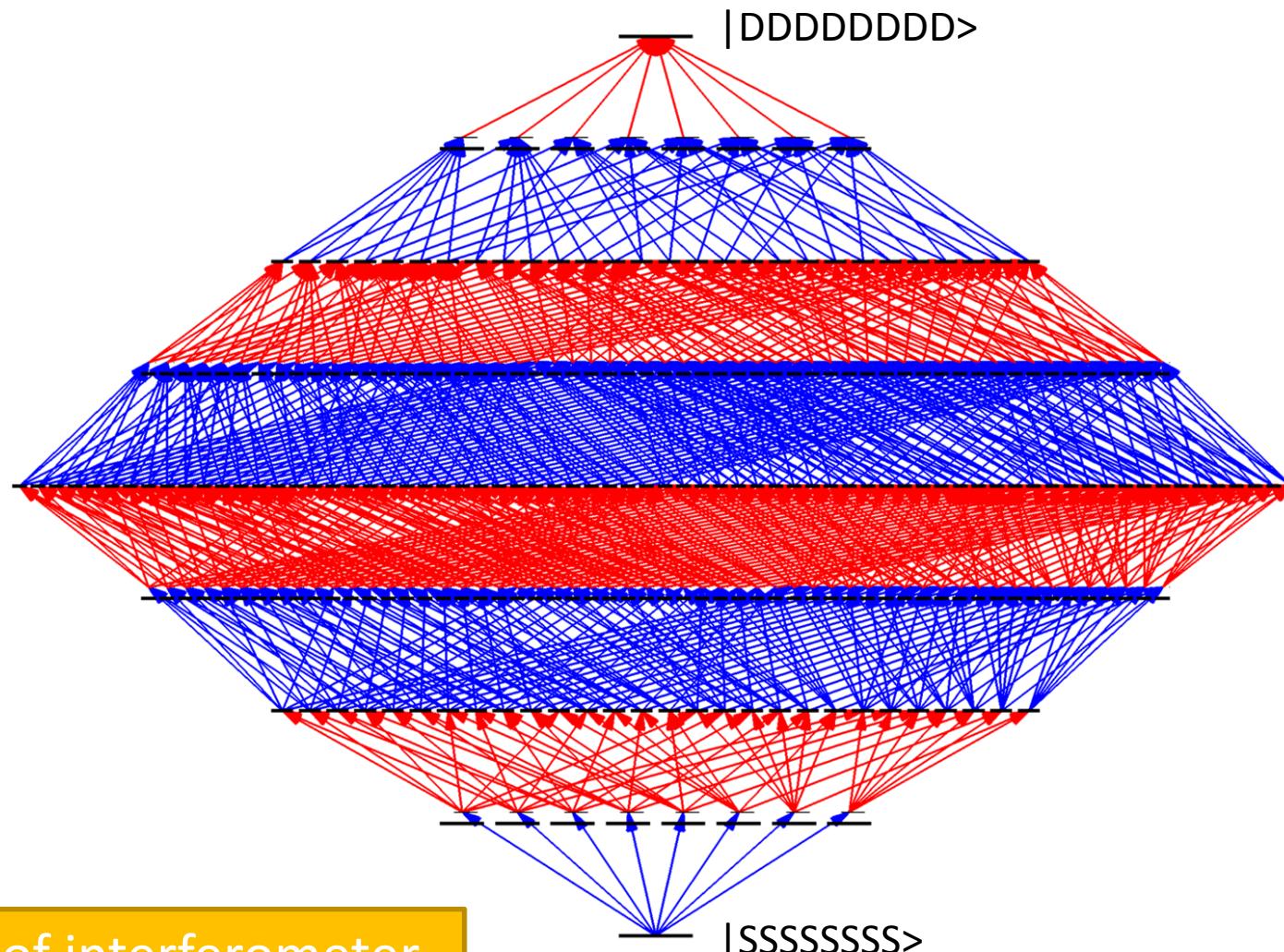


2 qubits



4 qubits

Multi path interferometer – 8 ions



Number of interferometer paths grows exponentially.

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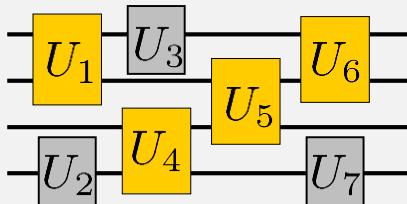
Digital (Discrete) Quantum Simulator

Goal

Simulate the physics of a quantum system of interest by another system that is easier to control and to measure.

Approach

Use a quantum computer as a quantum simulator



Decompose dynamics induced by system Hamiltonian
into sequence of quantum gates

$$U_{\text{sim}} = \prod_{j=1}^N U_j \quad U_{\text{sim}} \propto U_{\text{sys}} \quad U_{\text{sys}} = e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} H_{\text{sys}} \tau}$$

Example: $H = H_1 + H_2 + \dots + H_k$

$$e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} H t} = \left(e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} H_1 t/n} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} H_2 t/n} \dots e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} H_k t/n} \right)^n$$

Universal Quantum Simulator

$$H = \sum_k h_k$$

← model of some local system to be simulated for a time t

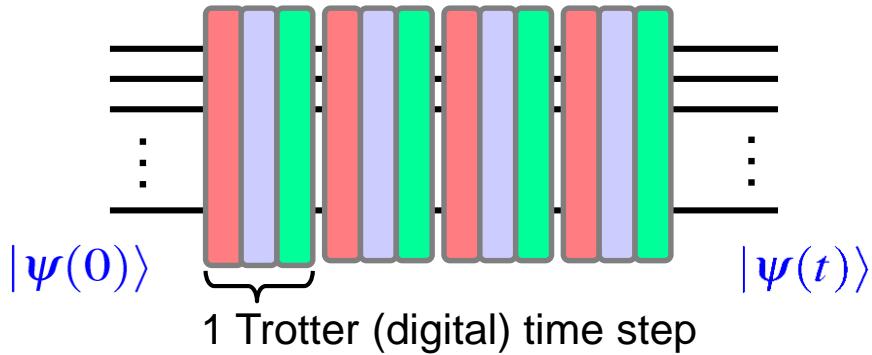
0. have a universal set on ‘encoding’ degrees of freedom

1. build each local evolution operator separately, for small time steps, using operation set

$$u_k = e^{-ih_k t/n}$$

2. approximate global evolution operator using the Trotter approximation

$$U = e^{-iHt} \approx \left(e^{-ih_1 \frac{t}{n}} e^{-ih_2 \frac{t}{n}} e^{-ih_3 \frac{t}{n}} \dots e^{-ih_k \frac{t}{n}} \right)^n$$



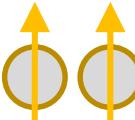
“Efficient for local quantum systems”

S. Lloyd,
Science 273, 1073 (1996)



Trotterization of non-commuting terms

2-spin Ising system

$$H = J\sigma_x^1\sigma_x^2 + B(\sigma_z^1 + \sigma_z^2)$$


$$\tilde{H} = \sigma_x^1\sigma_x^2 + R(\sigma_z^1 + \sigma_z^2) \quad R = B/J$$

$$U(\theta) \simeq \left(e^{-i\sigma_x^j\sigma_x^k\frac{\theta}{n}} e^{-i\sum_j \sigma_z^j R \frac{\theta}{n}} \right)^n$$

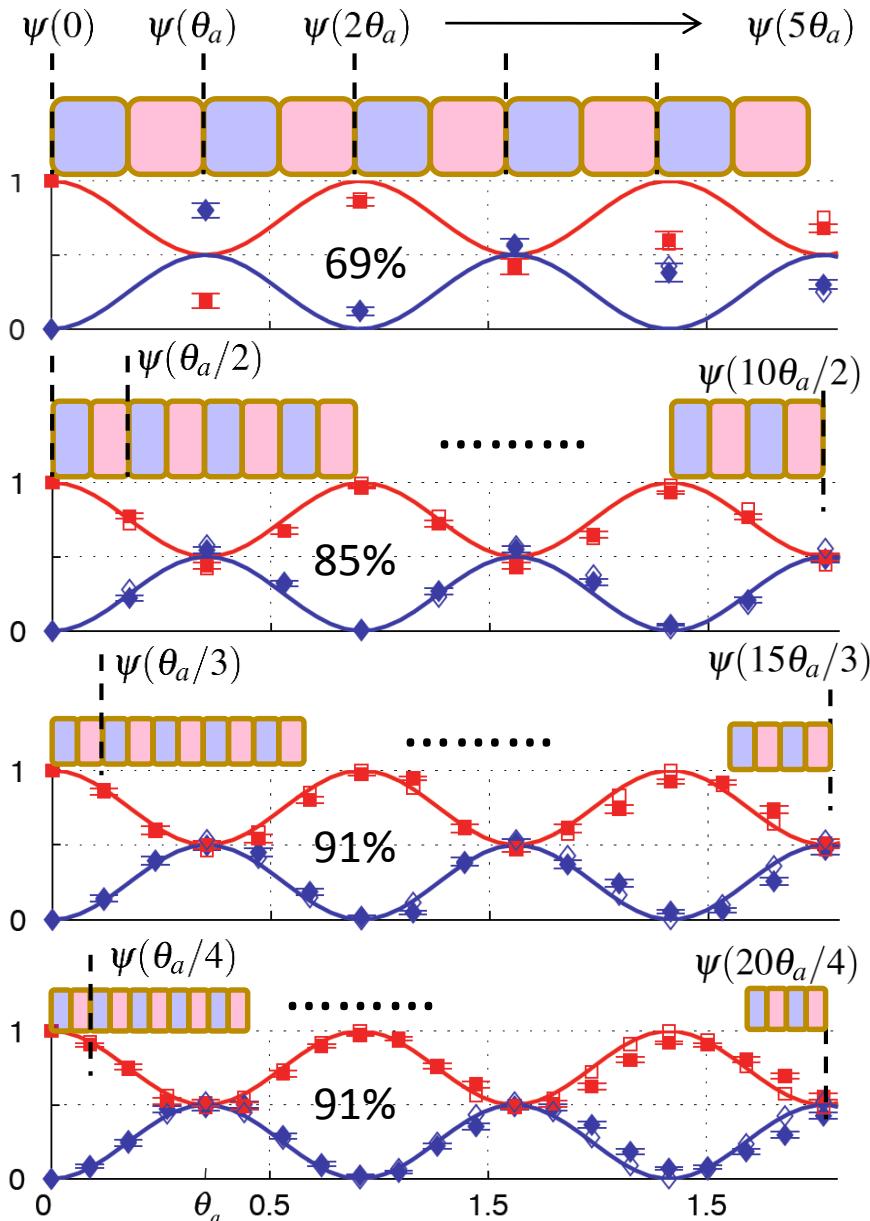
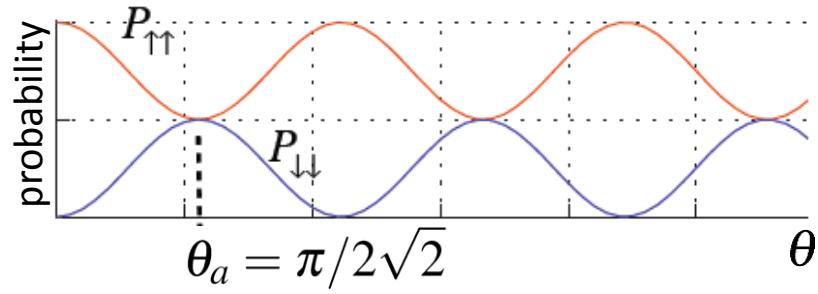


Mølmer-Sørensen gate



AC-Stark gate

dynamics to simulate: $e^{-iH\theta} |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$, $R = 0.5$



Simulating spins in small systems

2-spin simulations

Ising



XY



XYZ

$$J\sigma_x^1\sigma_x^2 + B \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_z^i$$

$$\dots + J_y\sigma_y^1\sigma_y^2$$

$$\dots + J_z\sigma_z^1\sigma_z^2$$

3-spin simulations

Ising type 1



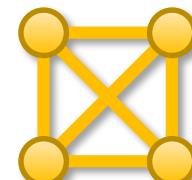
Ising type 2



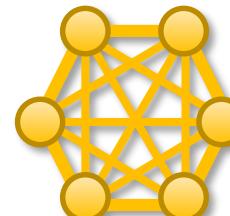
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>3-spin simulations



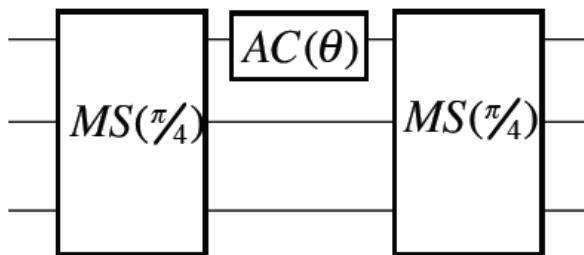
4 spins



6 spins

Many-body interactions

Many-body interactions $H = \sigma_x^{\otimes n}$



$$= e^{i \sigma_z^1 \sigma_x^2 \sigma_x^3 \theta}$$

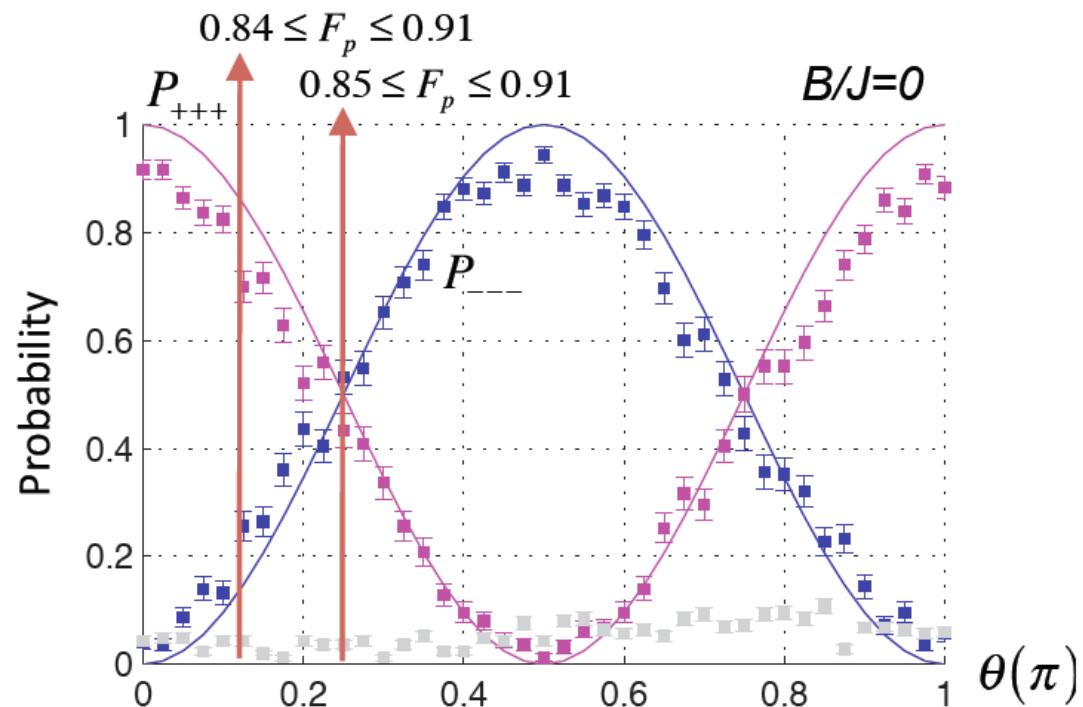
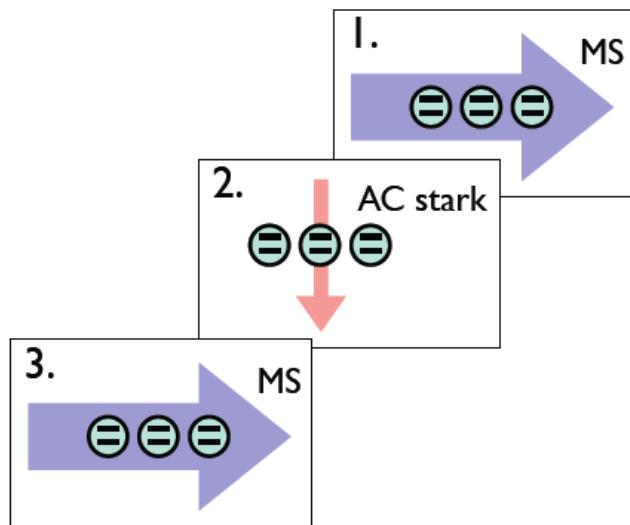
Effective 3-body
Hamiltonian

B. Lanyon et al.,
Science 334, 6052 (2011)

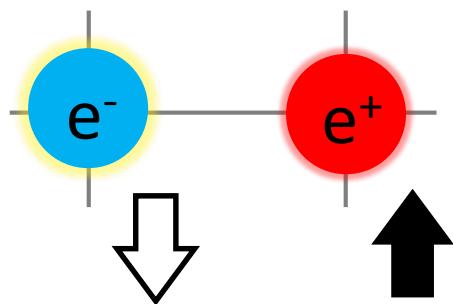
Some interesting dynamics

$$|0\rangle + i|1\rangle$$

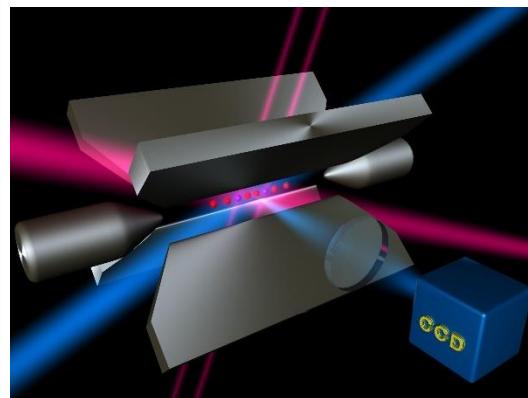
$$|++,+\rangle \Leftrightarrow |--,--\rangle$$



The model: lattice gauge theories



Trapped-ion quantum information processing

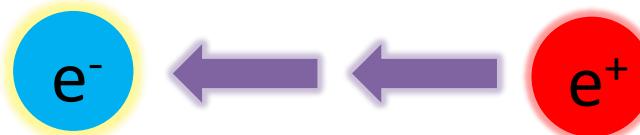


Quantum simulation of lattice gauge theories

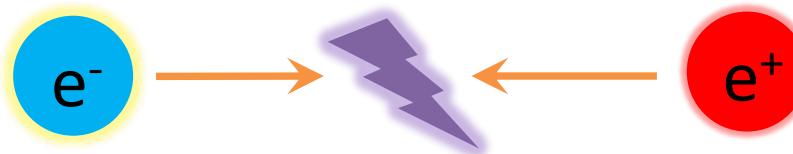


Quantum electrodynamics

- Charged particles (electrons, e^-) and antiparticles (positrons, e^+) interact via electromagnetic force fields.



- Particles and antiparticles can mutually annihilate.



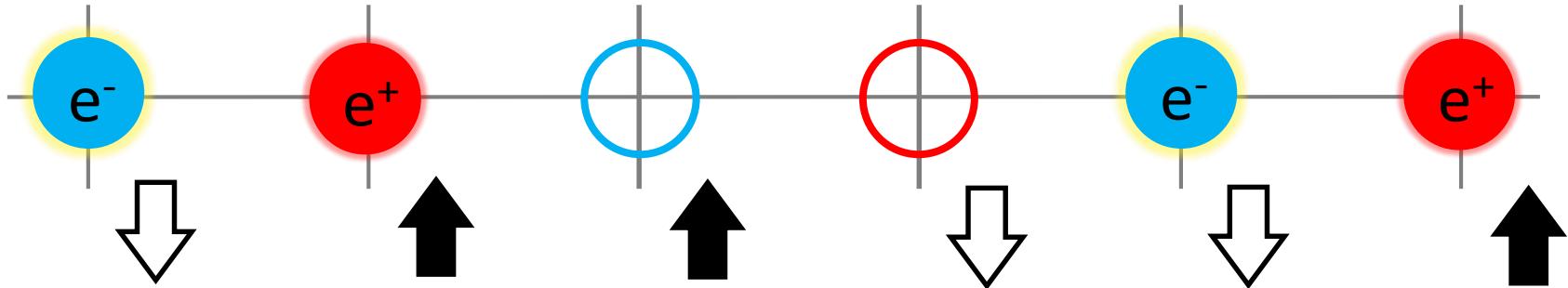
- Prediction: spontaneous creation of particle-antiparticle pairs in strong static fields (Schwinger mechanism).



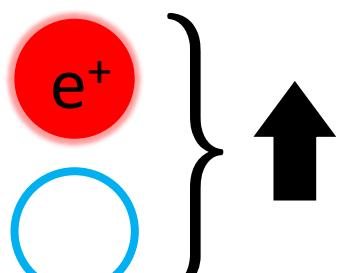
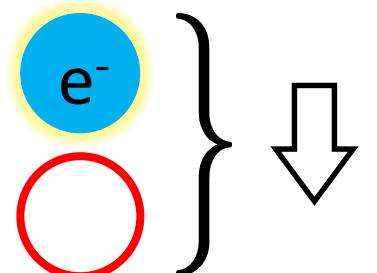
Lattice gauge theories



How can we simulate gauge theories?

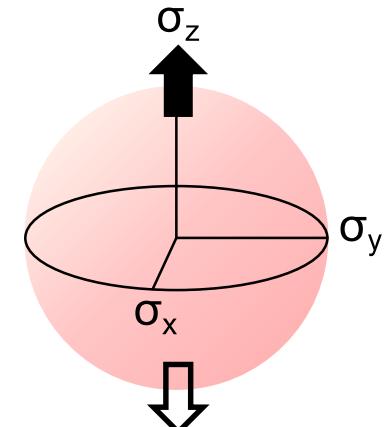
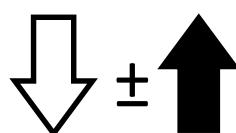


- Discretize space to a lattice (1D for simplicity).
- Blue sites hold particles, red sites hold antiparticles.
- Each site has two possible states (full/empty), encoding:



encode

and also superpositions:



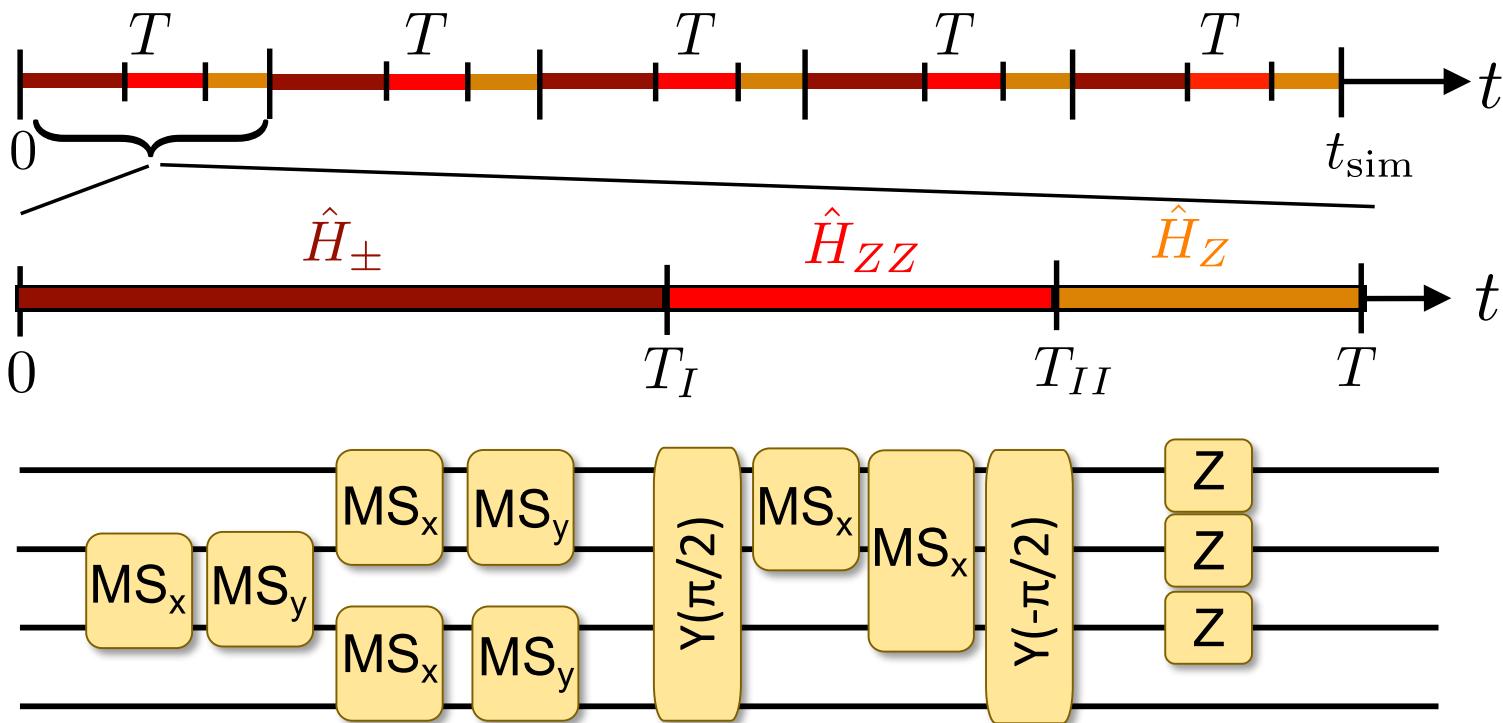
Time evolution

- The Hamiltonian of our spin system is:

$$H = w \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \sigma_i^+ \sigma_{i+1}^- + \sigma_i^- \sigma_{i+1}^+ + J \sum_{i,j=1}^N c_{ij} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z + m \sum_{i=1}^N c_i \sigma_i^z + J \sum_{i=1}^N \tilde{c}_i \sigma_i^z$$

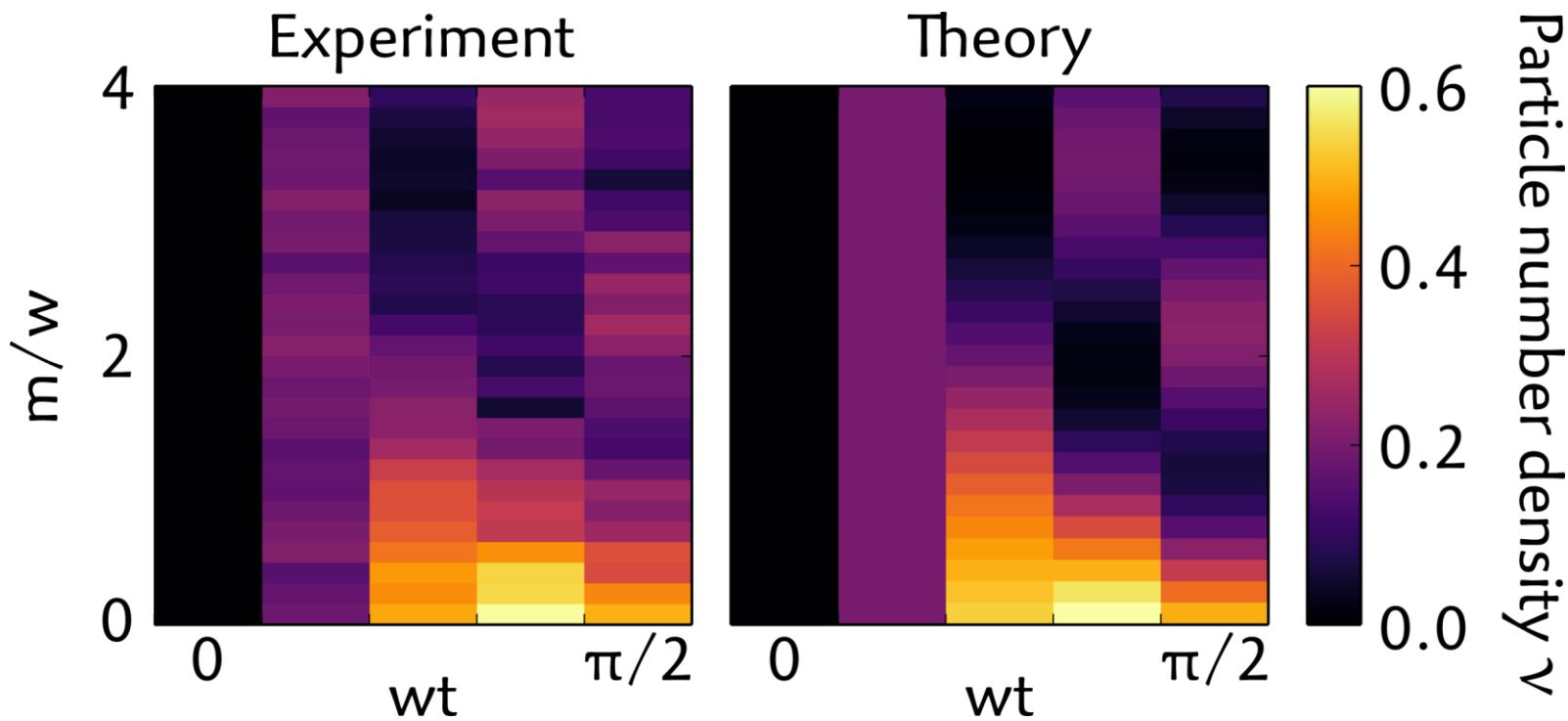
particle – antiparticle
 creation/annihilation long-range
 interactions effective particle masses

- We slice the evolution in small time steps (Trotterization):



Dynamics of e^+e^- pair creation

Time evolutions for different particle masses m :

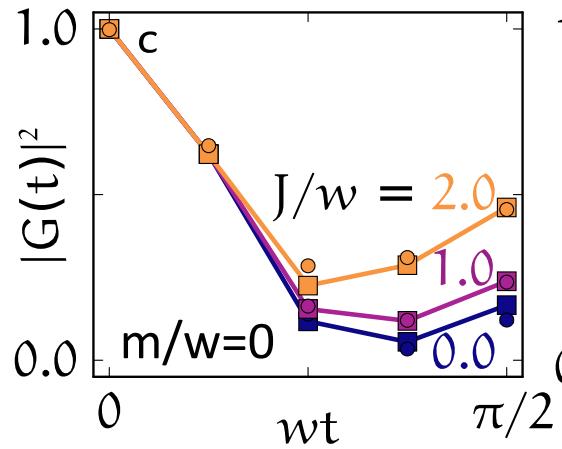
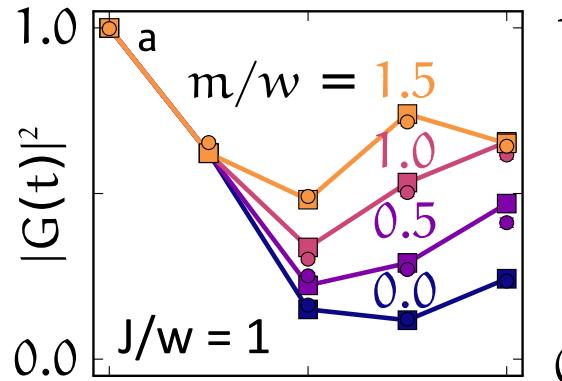


Higher mass \rightarrow faster oscillations, less amplitude

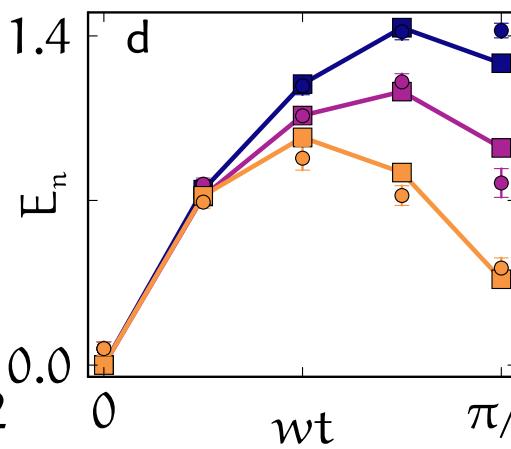
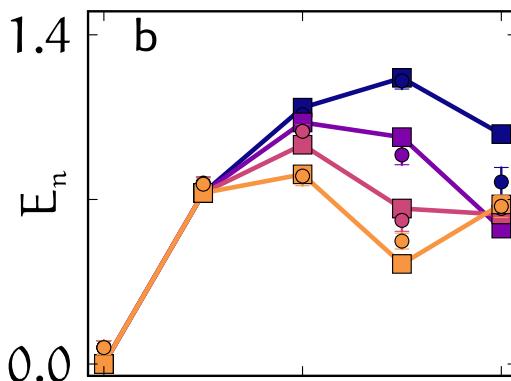
What you cannot see at CERN

We have full experimental access to the system wavefunction:

$$G(t) = \langle \text{vacuum} | \Psi(t) \rangle$$

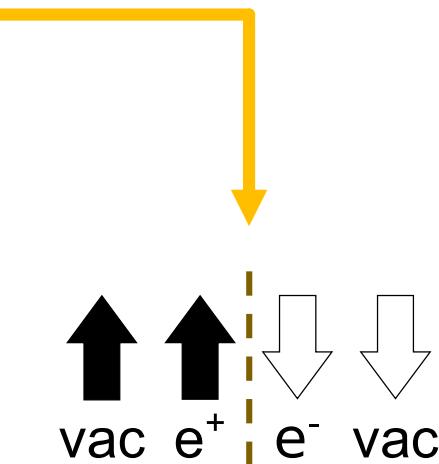


Entanglement



Mass dependence

E field dependence



($E_n = \log.$ negativity
across this
bipartition)

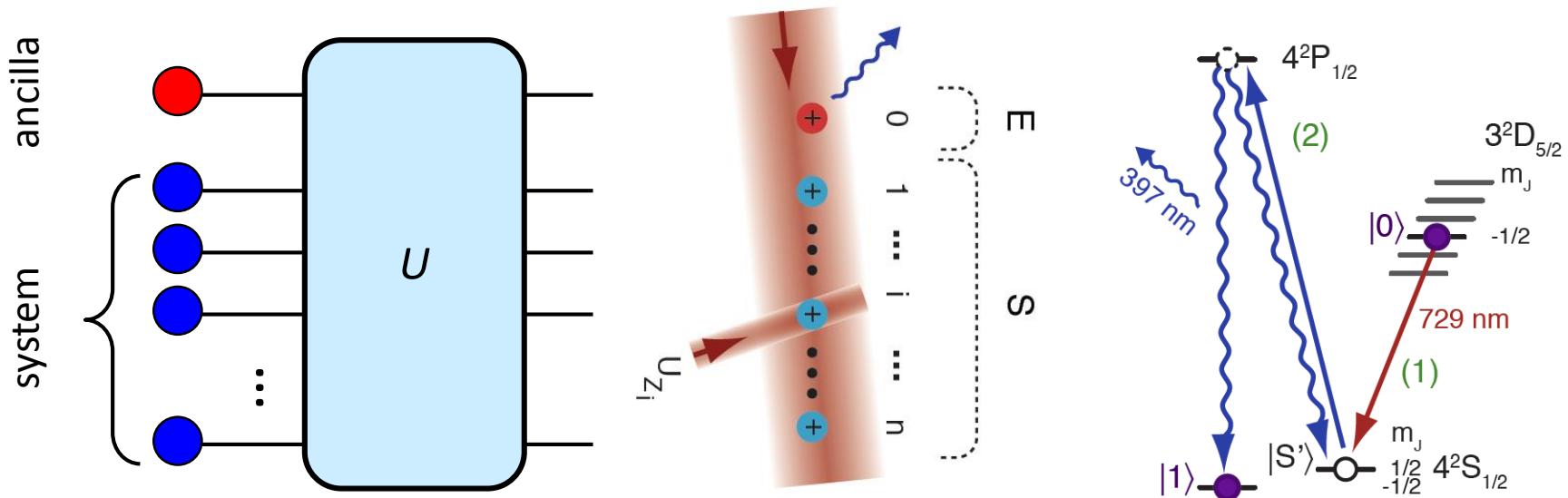


Experimental data

-□- Error model

Simulating open systems

J. Barreiro, M. Müller et al., Nature **470**, 486 (2011)

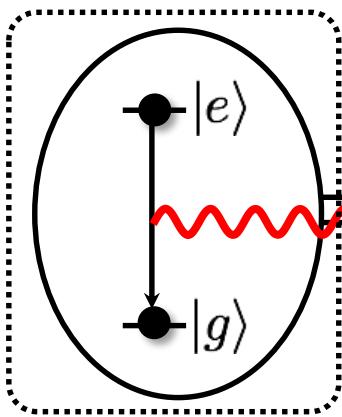


engineering many-body operations
engineering the environment
stabilizer pumping (Bell, GHZ)
QND measurements of many-body operators
dissipative state preparation

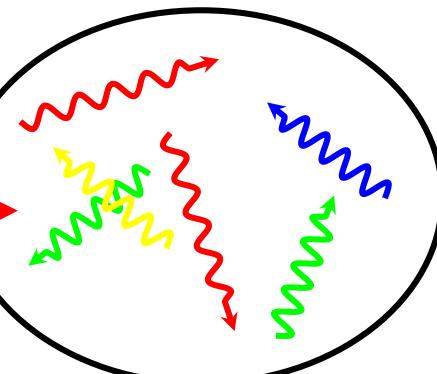
open systems
quantum simulations

Dissipative quantum systems

two-level atom



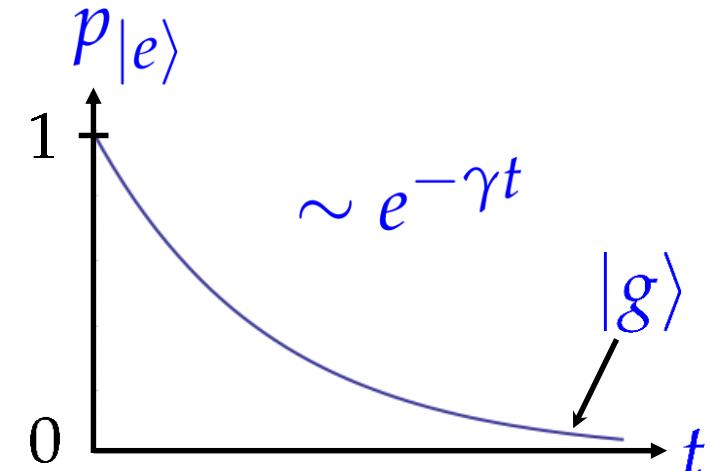
radiation field



system

environment = bath

are weakly coupled



formal description: **reduced density matrix** of the system:

master equation: $\frac{d}{dt}\rho = -i[H,\rho] + \mathcal{L}(\rho)$

Hamiltonian dynamics

Liouvillian

$$\mathcal{L}(\rho) = \gamma(c\rho c^\dagger - \frac{1}{2}c^\dagger c\rho - \frac{1}{2}\rho c^\dagger c)$$

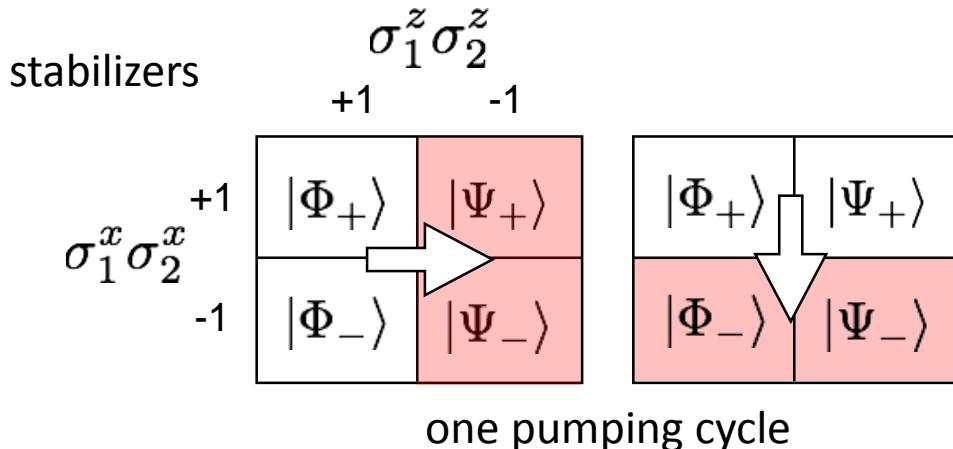
quantum jump operator

$$c = |g\rangle\langle e|$$

Bell state pumping

Engineer dissipative dynamics that pumps a many-body system into an entangled state

M. Müller, P. Zoller (2010-11)

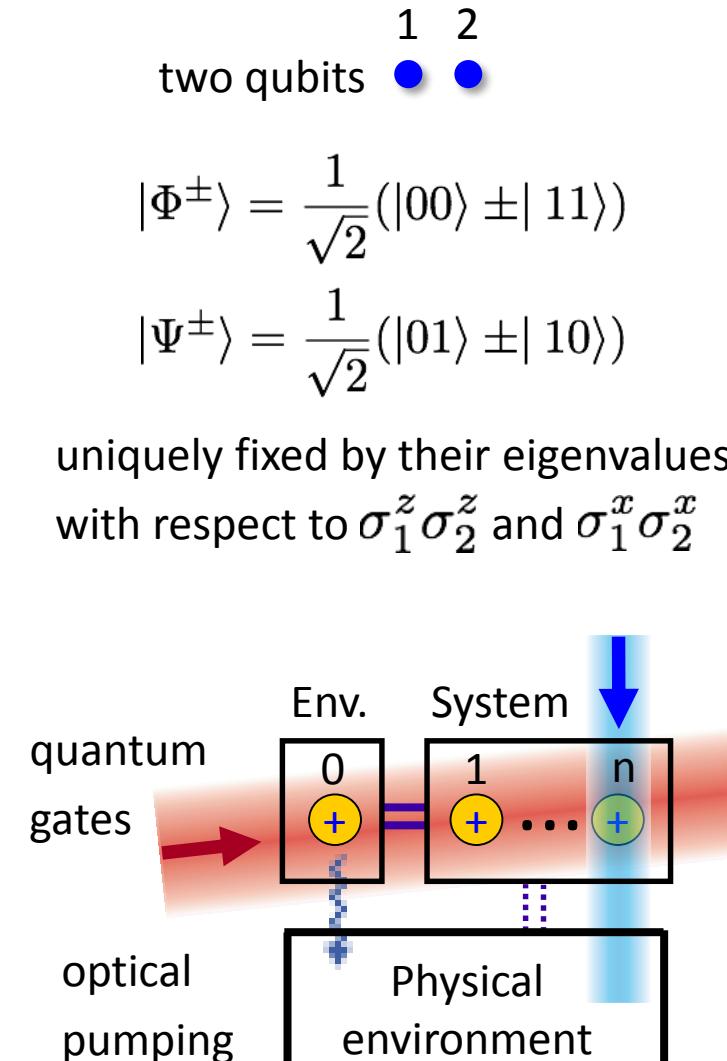


master equation for $\sigma_1^z \sigma_2^z$ - pumping:

$$\frac{d}{dt}\rho = \gamma(c\rho c^\dagger - \frac{1}{2}c^\dagger c\rho - \rho\frac{1}{2}c^\dagger c)$$

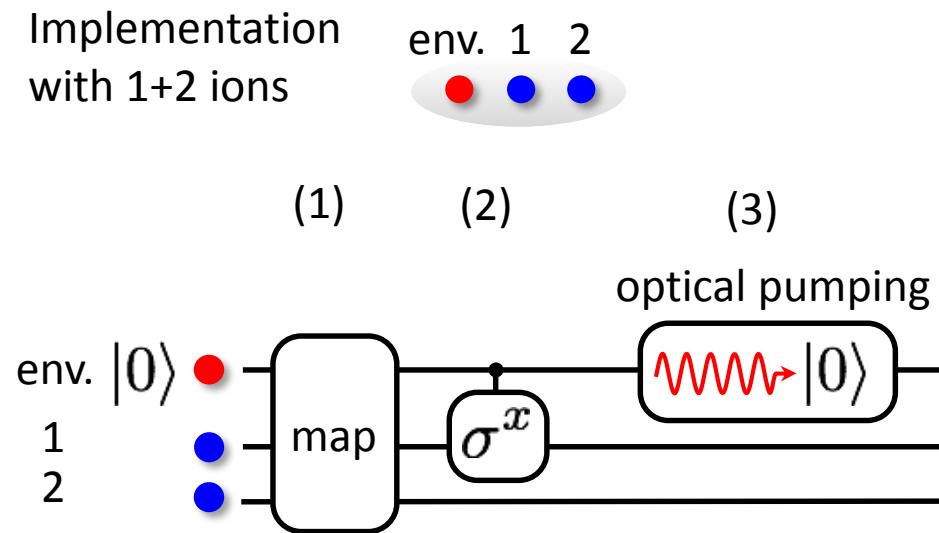
with $c = \sigma_x^{(1)} \frac{1}{2}(1 + \sigma_z^{(1)} \sigma_z^{(2)})$

two-body quantum jump operator

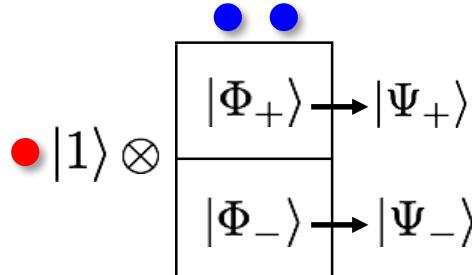


Implementing Pumping

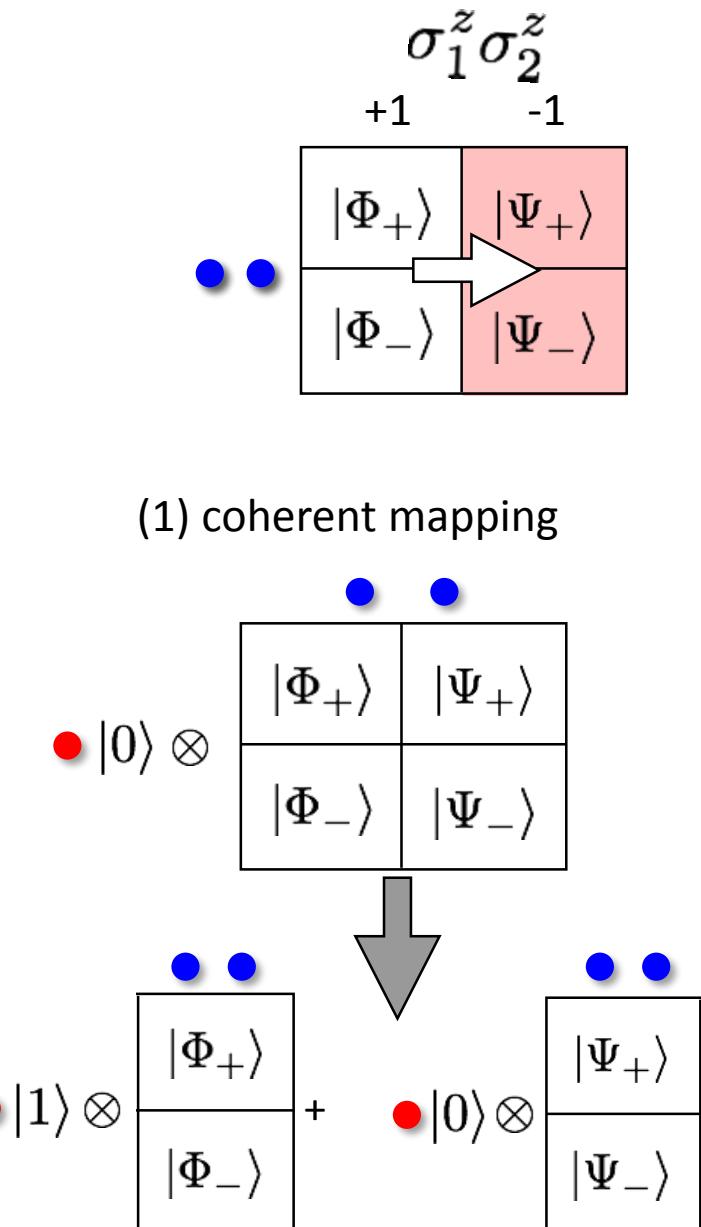
Implementation with 1+2 ions



(2) two-qubit gate $C = |0\rangle\langle 0| \otimes 1 + |1\rangle\langle 1| \otimes \sigma_1^x$

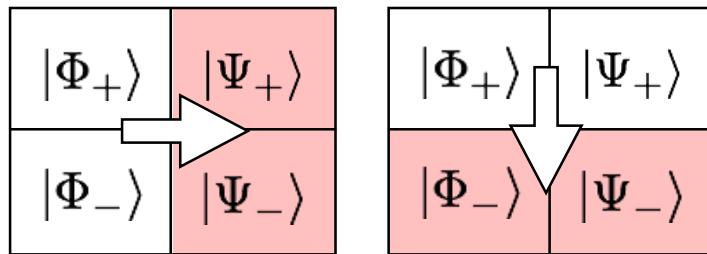


(3) optical pumping env. ion: $|1\rangle \xrightarrow{\text{wavy arrow}} |0\rangle$
 ... as the dissipative ingredient

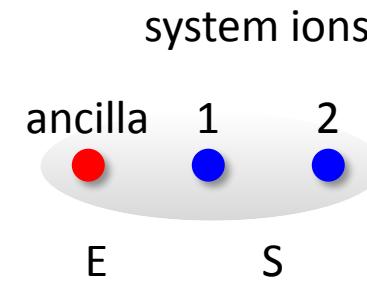


Experimental Bell state pumping

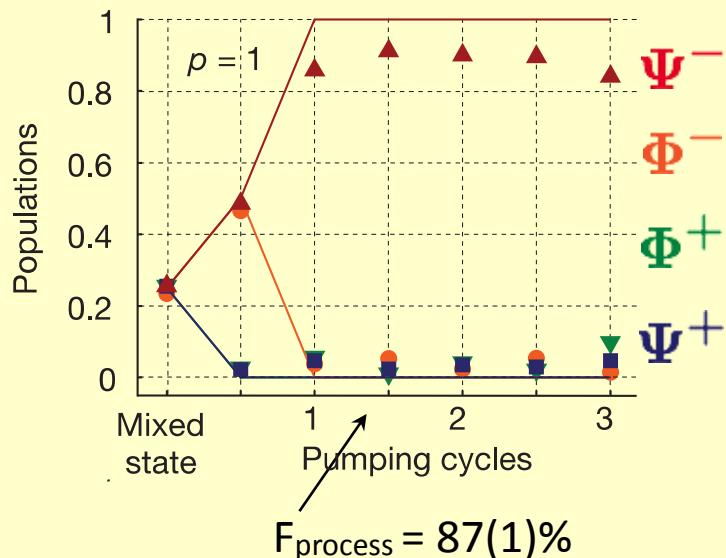
one pumping cycle



with pumping probability p



deterministic pumping ($p=1$)



towards master equation dynamics ($p=0.5$)

