Error Resistant Quantum Gates with Trapped Ions

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1. Basics: Trapping Yb⁺

2. Robust Gates for Single Qubits: Composite pulses and Optimal Control

- 3. Ion Spin Molecules
 - Concept
 - Experiment



Motivation

- → Fault tolerant quantum computer requires high accuracy quantum gate operations.
- Quantum gate operation synthesized from a sequence of unitary operations.
- For trapped ions, a unitary operation needs EM radiation of prescribed <u>frequency</u>, <u>phase</u>, <u>amplitude</u> and <u>duration</u>.
- Robust unitary operations presented here can be used for
 - Optical transitions
 - "Ion spin molecule".





Trapped Yb⁺ ions



- ¹⁷¹Yb⁺ ion
- Qubit: ground state hyperfine levels
- <u>Preparation</u> in F=0 by optical pumping
- Readout: optical dipole transition





Trapped Yb⁺ ions Hyperfine Qubit





Trapped Yb⁺ ions Coherent Excitation





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CW, Chr. Balzer, Adv.At.Mol.Opt.Phys. 49, 295 (2003).



π pulses

Composite pulse

→445-step pulse



•CORPSE(Compensation for Off-Resonance with a Pulse Sequence) π -pulse :

$$\mathsf{R}(\theta_{1} = 420^{\circ}, \Phi_{1})\mathsf{R}(\theta_{2} = 300^{\circ}, \Phi_{2} = \Phi_{1} + \pi)\mathsf{R}(\theta_{3} = 60^{\circ}, \Phi_{1})$$

→**SCROFULOUS**(Short Composite Rotation For Undoing length Over and Under Shoot) π -pulse:

 $\mathsf{R}(\theta_1 = \pi, \, \Phi_1 = 60^\circ) \mathsf{R}(\theta_2 = \pi, \, \Phi_2 = 300^\circ) \mathsf{R}(\theta_3 = \pi, \, \Phi_3 = 60^\circ)$

¹H. Cummins , G. Llewellyn, and J. Jones, Phys. Rev. A, **67**, 042308 (2003)



π pulses





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→445-step shaped pulse.
→ (θ =π) end state.
→True(white), false(black) for F/F_{max}>0.96, F_{max}=0.896

Measured Composite



→**CORPSE** pulse. →($\theta = \pi$) end state. →True(white), false(black) for F/F_{max}>0.96, F_{max}=0.930



→**SCROFOLUS** pulse. → ($\theta = \pi$) end state.

→True(white), false(black) for F/F_{max}>0.96, F_{max}= 0.930

Measured Rectangular



Measured Rectangular







Optimal Control Theory (OCT) pulse



$\pi/2$ pulses

Composite pulse





Ramsey measurement, phase variation



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 $\boldsymbol{J} \mid \boldsymbol{\beta} \mid^2 = \mid < 1 \mid \mathsf{R}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_2, \boldsymbol{\Phi}_2) \mathsf{R}(\mathbf{0}, \boldsymbol{\delta} \mathsf{T}) \mathsf{R}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1, \boldsymbol{\Phi}_1) \mid 0 > \mid^2$

Black box pulse

→Unknown end result (θ, φ) →Use resonant $\pi/2$ of varying phase(Φ) to deduce (θ, φ)

$$(\theta; \varphi)$$
 $(\theta = \pi/2; \Phi)$

$$|\beta|^2 = 1/2 \left[1 + \sin(\theta) \cos(\varphi + \Phi)\right]$$





0.5

0.0

-0.2 -0.4

-0.7

-0.67

-0.33

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Measured Rectangular



Measured Rectangular



Measured Composite

0.33

→Fidelity

0.67

Measured OCT



Simulated OCT



Simulated Composite



 $F = |\langle \Psi_{desired} | \Psi_{achived} \rangle|^2$



→645-step OCT pulse. \rightarrow ($\theta = \pi/2$; $\phi = \pi/2$) end state. →True(white), false(black) for F/F_{max}>0.9, F_{max}=0.900

Measured Rectangular



Measured Rectangular



Meaured Composite



→BB1 RWR composite pulse.

 \rightarrow ($\theta = \pi/2, \phi = 0$) end state. →True(white), false(black) for F/F_{max}>0.9, F_{max}= 0.936

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Summary

- Compared shaped pulses, composite pulses and rectangular pulses.
- Wide tolerance to f(detuning) and g(amplitude) errors seen for shaped pulses.
- Robust unitary operations are building blocks of gate operations.



399nm



 ${}^{1}S_{0}$

Theory



Ion Spin Molecules

Nearly deterministic trap loading by photoionization



Ion Spin Molecule





- Qubit resonances shifted individually
- Spin-Spin coupling between individual qubits

F. Mintert, CW, PRL **87**, 257904 (2001). CW in *Laser Physics at the Limit,* Springer, 2002, p. 261.





Ion Spin Molecules Long Range Spin-Spin coupling







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Individual N-qubit "designer molecule" with adjustable coupling constants

CW in Laser Physics at the Limit, Springer, 2002, p. 261. also: quant-ph/0111158.

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- Multi-qubit gates.
- Q.Simulations.
- Transport of Q.Information
- Entanglement and decoherence.

NMR, Trapped Ions, and Ion Molecules

- Coherent manipulation using rf and microwave radiation of long-lived spin states.
- Use sophisticated NMR concepts and techniques.
- Individual qubits.
- Efficient preparation and readout using projective measurements.
- Spin-spin coupling adjustable.
- (Nearly) insensitive to thermal excitation. ⇒ many ions in single trap.
 M. Loewen, CW, Verhandl. DPG 2004 (VI) 39, 7/87 (2004).



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Experimental System



→Miniature Paul trap

→lons trapped using photoionization (398 nm)

→Stable magnetic field(7.5540±0.0047 G) corresponds to a splitting of 9 MHz. (stability of qubit transition 23 Hz).

→Frequency stability of microwave is $\sigma \sim 10^{-10}$, at 12.6 GHz, ~5 Hz.

→Vacuum to the order of 10⁻¹⁰ mbar

→Preparation efficiencies of >90% obtained.

→Increased preparation efficiencies possible.





