



Quantum Information Science with Trapped Ions

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Overview



1. Ion Trap and Laser Cooling
2. Qubits and Quantum Gates
3. Ion Spin Molecules
4. QIS with trapped Yb^+ ions





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1. Ion Trap and Laser Cooling

- Electrodynamical trap
- Collective ion motion: harmonic oscillator
- Doppler cooling
- Trapped atom-light interaction
- Resolved sideband cooling.





A localised single atom



E. Schrödinger:

... we *never* experiment with just *one* electron or atom ...

... we are not *experimenting* with single particles, any more than we can raise Ichthyosauria in the zoo.

Br. J. Philos. Sci. III, August 1952.

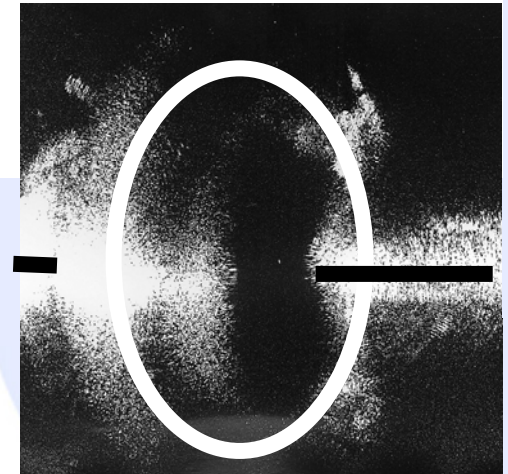
W. Neuhauser *et al.*: single Barium ion

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1, 2, 3 Ionen. 18 " Entwicklung

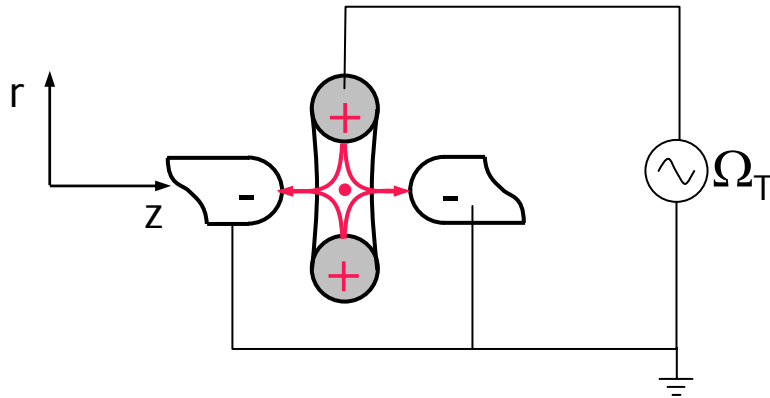
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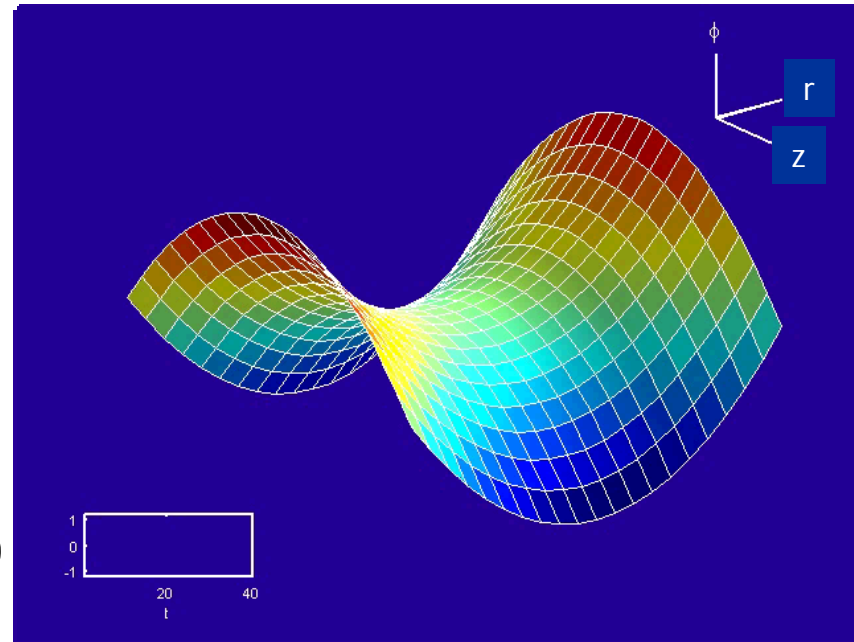


Electrodynamic Trap



Quadrupole field

$$\Phi(r, z, t) = -V_0 \cos \Omega_T t (r^2 - 2z^2)$$





Electrodynamic Trap



3-d Potential close to the centre of the trap:

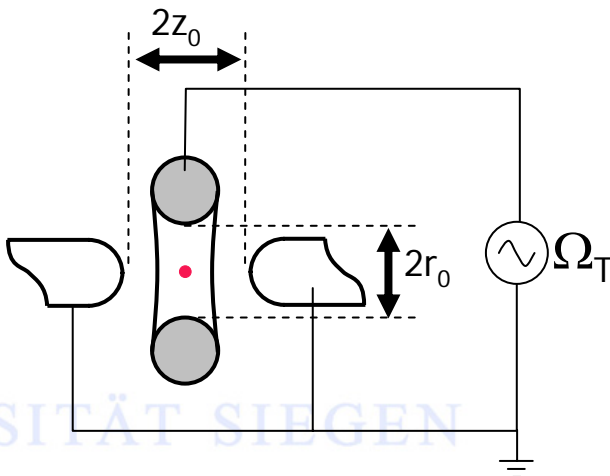
$$\Phi(r, z) = \frac{U + V \cos \Omega_T t}{r_0^2 + 2z_0^2} (x^2 + y^2 - 2z^2) ,$$

Define $a_z = -2a_{x,y} \equiv \frac{16 eU}{m\Omega_T^2 (r_0^2 + 2z_0^2)}$ and $q_z = -2q_{x,y} \equiv \frac{8eV}{m\Omega_T^2 (r_0^2 + 2z_0^2)}$

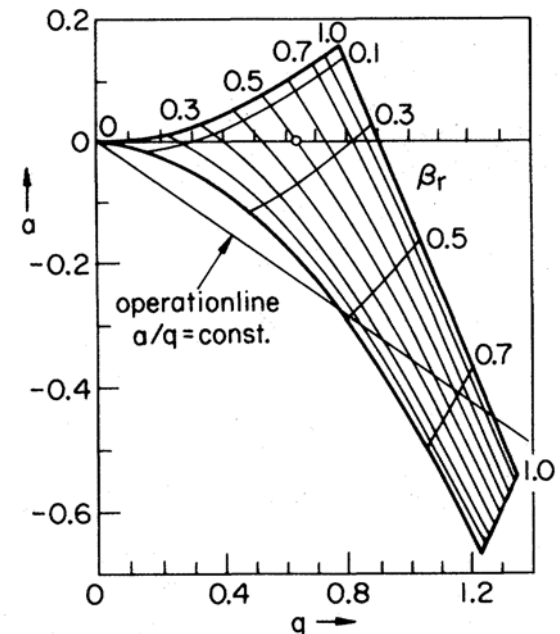
$$\tau \equiv \frac{\Omega_T t}{2}$$

Equations of motion (Mathieu equations) :

$$\frac{d^2 x_i}{d\tau^2} + (a_i - 2q_i \cos 2\tau) x_i = 0 , \quad i = x, y, z$$



Stable solutions:





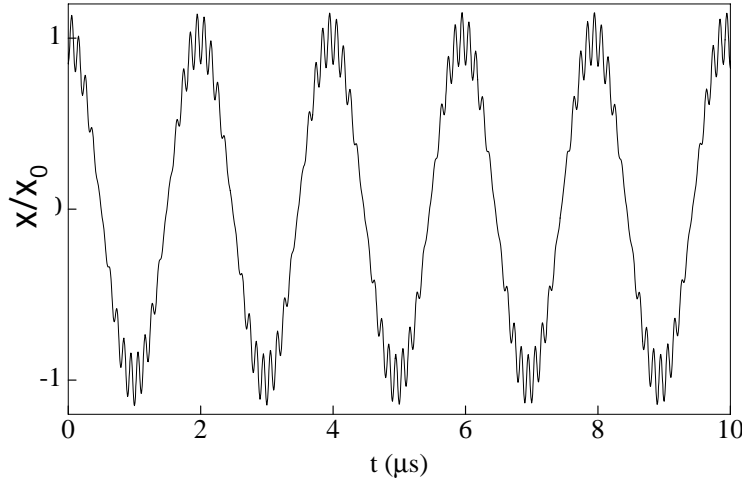
Electrodynamic Trap



Stable Solutions :

$$x_i(t) = x_0 \cos \nu_i t \left(1 - \frac{q_i}{2} \cos \Omega_T t \right)$$

with secular frequency $\nu_z = 2\nu_{x,y} = \frac{\Omega_T}{2} \sqrt{a_{x,y} + \frac{q_{x,y}^2}{2}}$ for $|a_i| \ll |q_i| \ll 1$



1-d **harmonic motion** weakly modulated with Ω_T . Here $\Omega_T = 9.5$ MHz , $q_r = 0.3$

for $|a_i|, |q_i| \ll 1$ effective potential:

$$V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i m \nu_i^2 x_i^2$$

Potential depth typically 10^2 eV

for an overview (also Penning traps) see: P. K. Gosh, *Ion Traps* (Clarendon, Oxford, UK, 1995).



Harmonic Oscillator



Quantised motion:

$$\hat{x}_i = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m\nu_i}} (a_i^\dagger + a_i) \quad , \quad \hat{p}_i = \sqrt{\frac{m\hbar\nu_i}{2}} (a_i^\dagger - a_i)$$

Hamiltonian

$$H_{\text{ext}} = \sum_{i=x,y,z} \hbar\nu_i \left(a_i^\dagger a_i + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

Single ion confined around the field-free trap centre.

Need to store $N > 1$ ions for scalable QIP.

$N > 1$:

- add Coulomb potential
 - expand total potential around equilibrium positions up to second order
- ⇒ find $3N$ collective harmonic oscillator modes

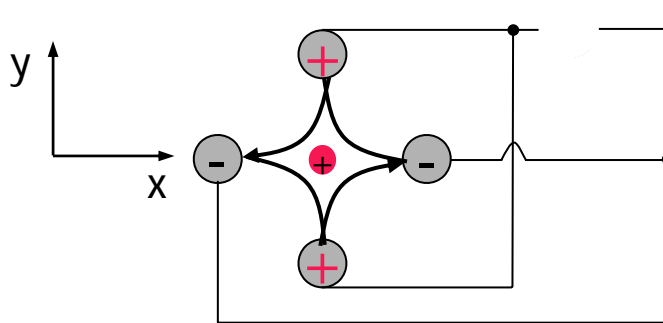
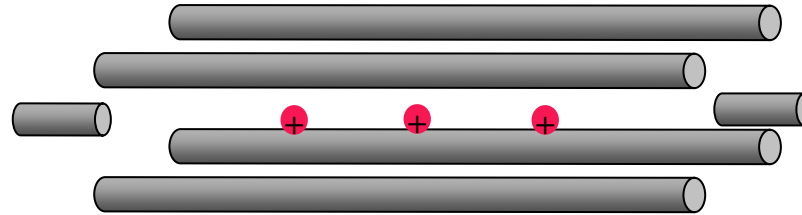
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Linear trap configuration: strong confinement in x- and y-direction, i.e., $\nu_{x,y} \gg \nu_z$

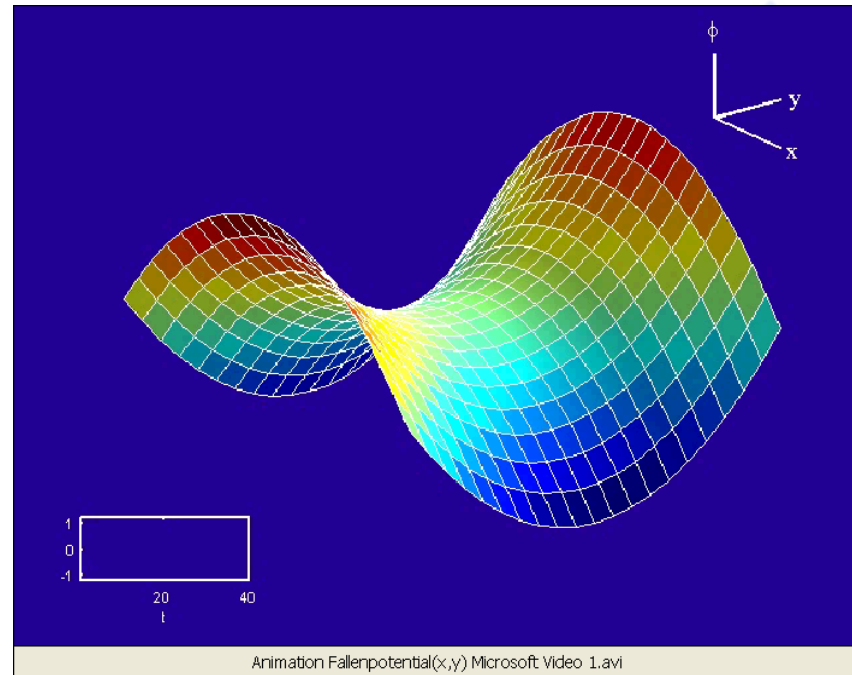
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Electrodynamic trap



$$\Phi(x, y, t) = (U - V \cos \Omega t) \frac{x^2 - y^2}{2r_0^2}$$

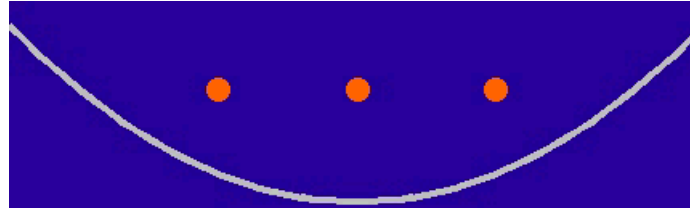


Animation Fallenpotential(x,y) Microsoft Video 1.avi



Collective Harmonic Oscillator

$N=3$



$N > 1$:

- add Coulomb potential
 - expand total potential around equilibrium positions up to second order
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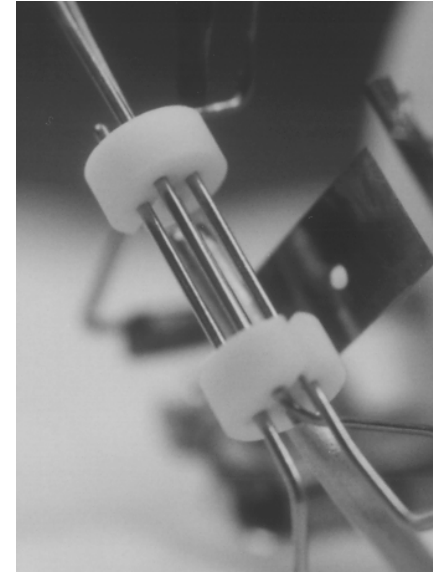
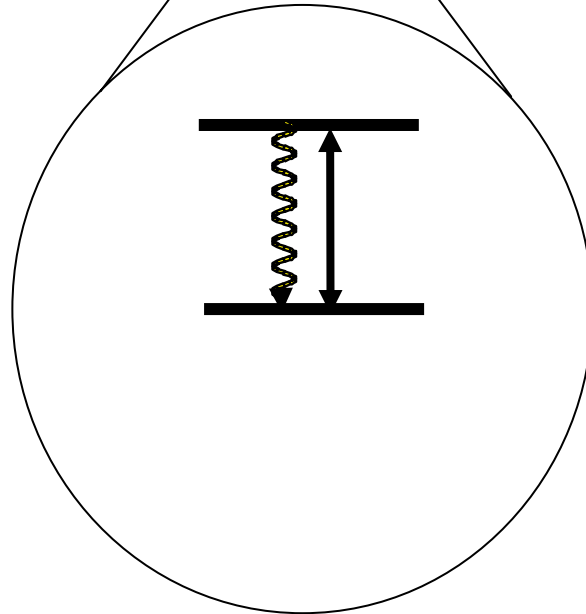
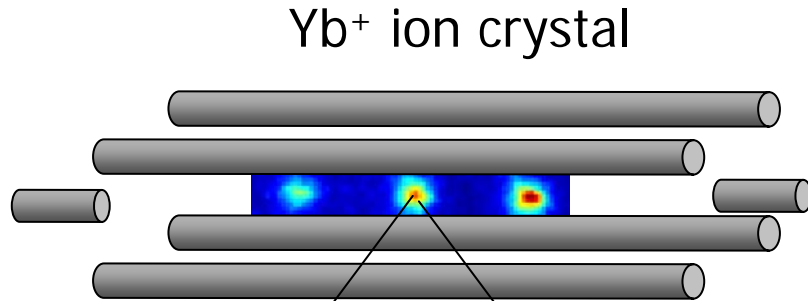
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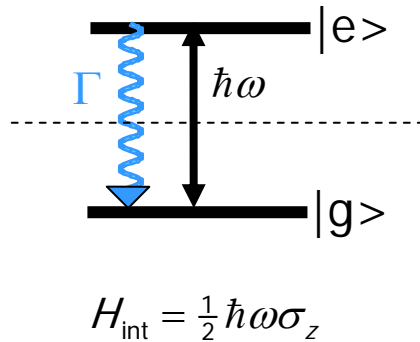
Detection of Trapped Ions



- "Fast" ($\approx 10\text{MHz}$) dipole transition:
- detection of resonance fluorescence
 - Doppler cooling.



Two-Level System



Pauli matrices, spinor notation:

$$\frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega (|e\rangle\langle e| - |g\rangle\langle g|) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega \sigma_z = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(|g\rangle\langle e| + |e\rangle\langle g|) \rightarrow \sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

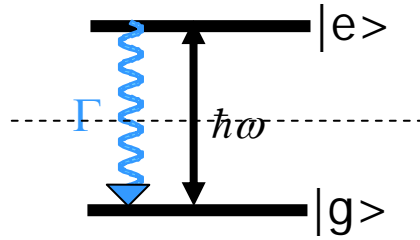
$$i(|g\rangle\langle e| - |e\rangle\langle g|) \rightarrow \sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|g\rangle \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

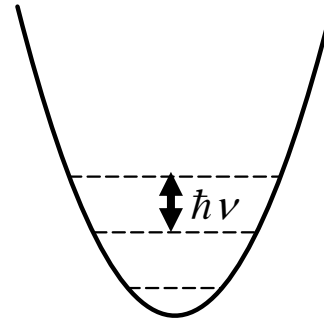
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Doppler Cooling: $\Gamma \gg \nu$



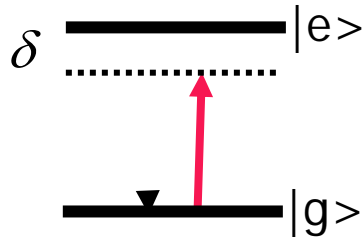
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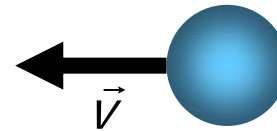
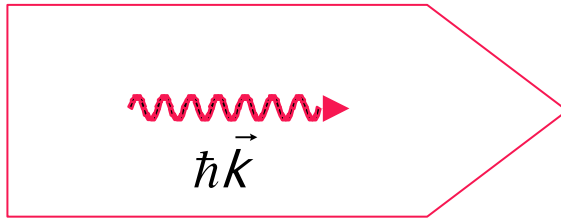
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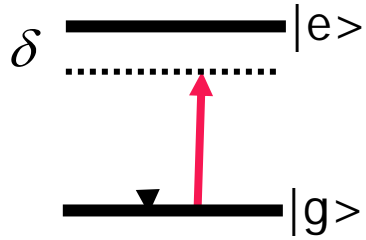


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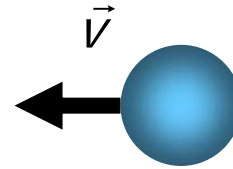




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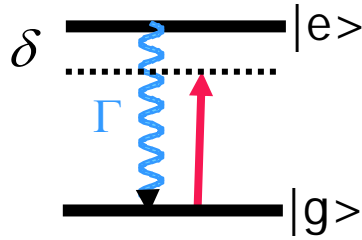


resonant excitation for $\delta \cong \vec{k} \cdot \vec{v}$
change of velocity $\Delta \vec{v} \cong \hbar \vec{k} / m$

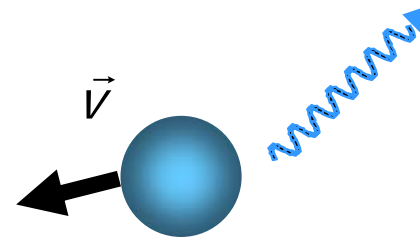




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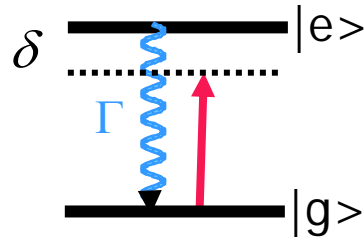


spontaneous emission with rate Γ

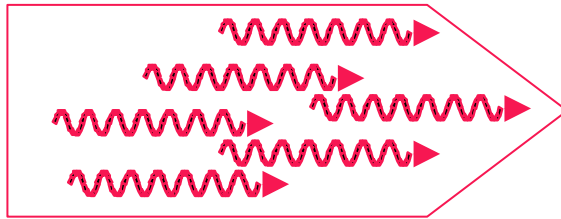




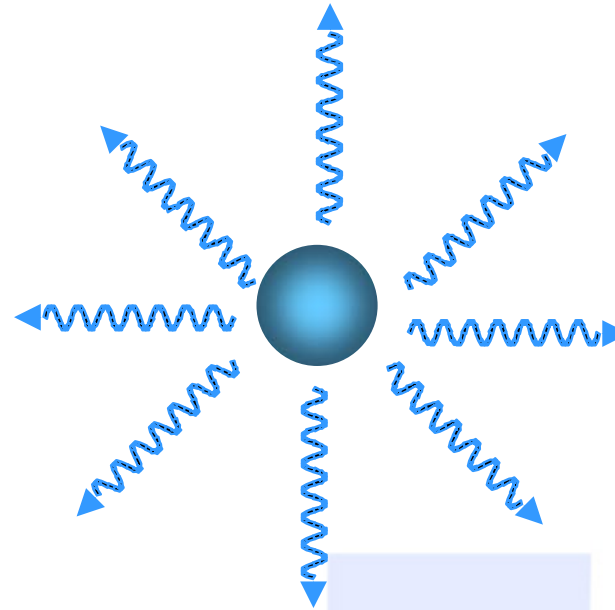
Doppler Cooling $\Gamma \gg \nu$



spontaneous emission with rate Γ



$$I \times \hbar \vec{k}, \quad I \in \mathbb{N}$$



Absorption: $\Delta \vec{p}_A = n \times \hbar \vec{k}$

Emission: $\langle \Delta \vec{p}_E \rangle = 0$

Diffusion in momentum space

limits final temperature: $k_B T = \hbar \Gamma / 2$

Ex.: $\nu = 1\text{MHz}, \Gamma = 20\text{MHz} \Rightarrow \langle n \rangle_{\text{thermal}} \approx 10$

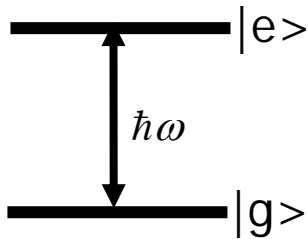
S. Stenholm, Rev.Mod. Phys. **58**, 699 (1986).



Trapped Atom-Light Interaction

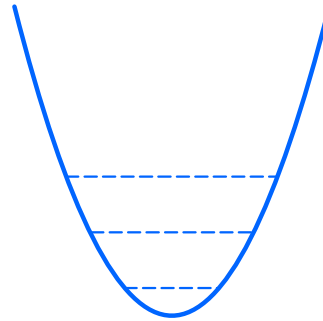


2-level atom trapped in harmonic potential



$$H_{\text{int}} = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega \sigma_z$$

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$$H_{\text{ext}} = \hbar \nu \left(a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

Interaction with near resonant lin.pol. travelling wave; lowest order in multipole expansion

$$H_L = \hbar \Omega_R \sigma_x \cos(kz - \omega_L t + \phi)$$

$$\text{Rabi frequency } \Omega_R \equiv d_{eg} \cdot F_0 / \hbar$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \hbar \Omega_R (\sigma_+ + \sigma_-) (e^{i(kz - \omega_L t + \phi)} + e^{-i(kz - \omega_L t + \phi)})$$

With position operator $\hat{z} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\nu}} (a^\dagger + a) = \Delta z (a^\dagger + a)$

and Lamb-Dicke parameter $\eta \equiv \Delta z k = 2\pi \frac{\Delta z}{\lambda} = \sqrt{\frac{(\hbar k)^2}{2m}} / \hbar \nu$

$$\Rightarrow H_L = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \Omega_R (\sigma_+ + \sigma_-) (e^{i[\eta(a^\dagger + a) - \omega_L t + \phi]} + H.c.)$$



Trapped Atom-Light Interaction



$$\text{Unitary transformation } \tilde{H}_L = e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}H_0t} H_L e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}H_0t}$$

$$\text{with } H_o = H_{ext} + H_{int} = \hbar\nu \left(a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \hbar\omega \sigma_z$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{H}_L = \frac{1}{2} \hbar\Omega_R \left[e^{i[(\omega-\omega_L)t+\phi]} \sigma_+ e^{i\eta[a^\dagger(t)+a(t)]} + H.c. \right]$$

$$\text{where } a^\dagger(t) = a^\dagger e^{i\nu t} \text{ and } a(t) = a e^{-i\nu t}$$

Expansion in η :

$$\tilde{H}_L = \frac{1}{2} \hbar\Omega_R \left[e^{i[(\omega-\omega_L)t+\phi]} \sigma_+ \left[1 + i\eta(a^\dagger e^{i\nu t} + a e^{-i\nu t}) + \dots \right] + H.c. \right]$$

Lowest order in η :

$$\tilde{H}_L = \frac{1}{2} \hbar\Omega_R \left[e^{i[(\omega-\omega_L)t+\phi]} \sigma_+ + i\eta \left[e^{i(\omega-\omega_L+\nu)t} \sigma_+ a^\dagger + e^{i(\omega-\omega_L-\nu)t} \sigma_+ a \right] + H.c. \right]$$

$$\omega_L = \omega, \text{ "Carrier"}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{H}_L = \frac{1}{2} \hbar\Omega_R \left(\sigma_+ e^{i\phi} + \sigma_- e^{-i\phi} \right)$$

$$\omega_L = \omega - \nu, \phi = 0, \text{ "red sideband"}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{H}_L = \frac{1}{2} \hbar\Omega_R \eta \left[\sigma_+ a + \sigma_- a^\dagger \right]$$



Trapped Atom-Light Interaction



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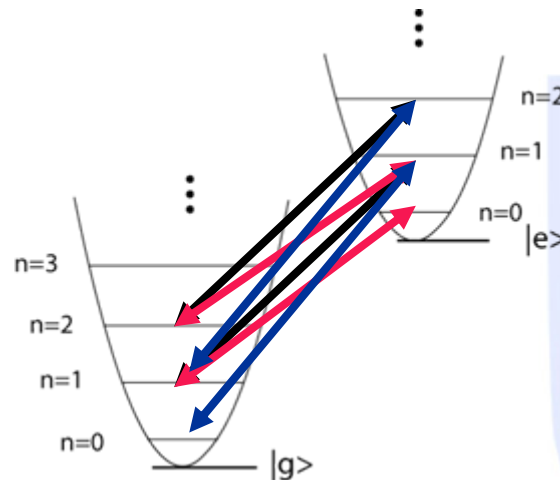
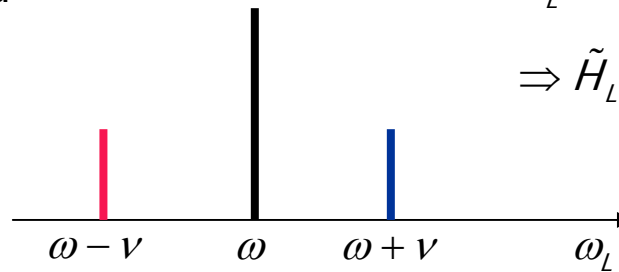
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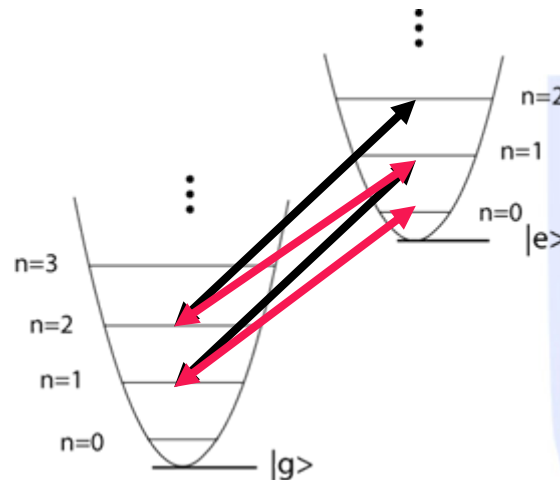
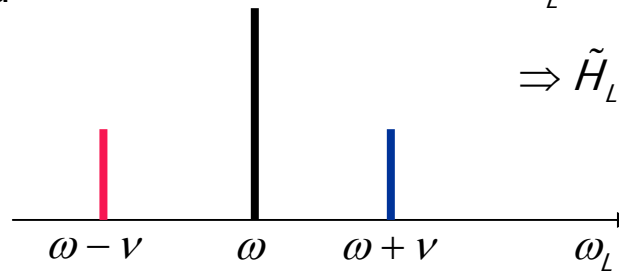
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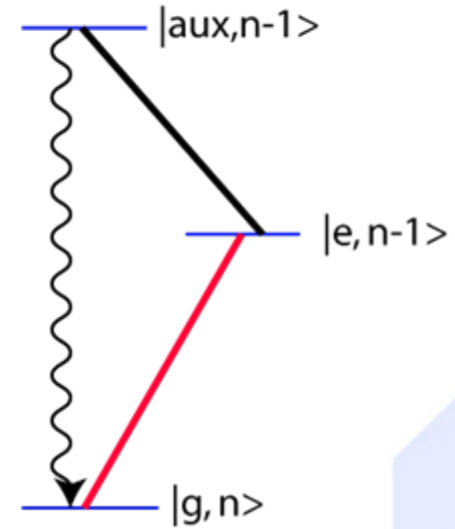
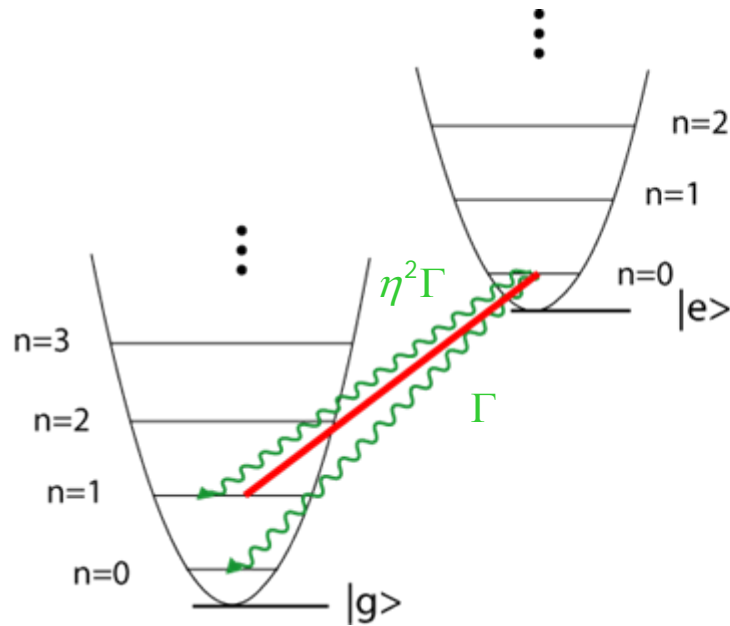
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Resolved Sideband Cooling $\nu \gg \Gamma$



Take into account dissipation:

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{i\hbar} [H, \rho] + \hat{L}\rho$$

Ground state cooling: $\langle n \rangle_{\text{thermal}} \approx 0$

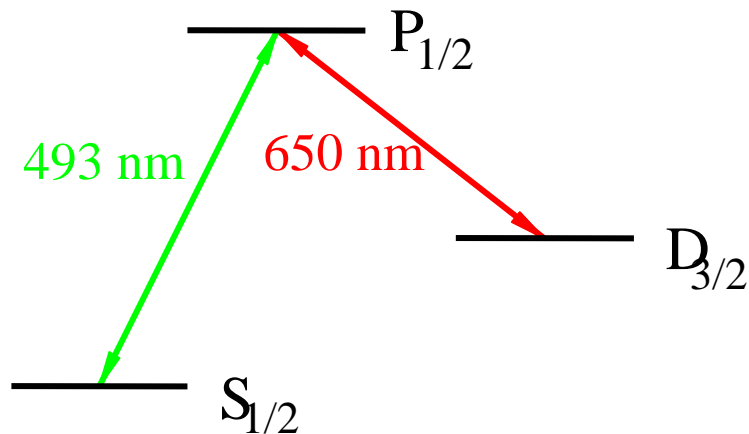
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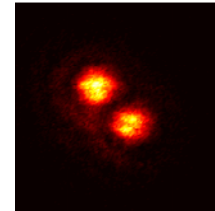
Cool collective vibrational modes



- Sequential sideband cooling of collective motion, e.g.:
B. E. King et al. PRL **81**, 1525 (1998).
E. Peik et al. PRA **60**, 439 (1999).
- Shape atomic transitions by quantum interference, e.g.:
C.F. Roos et al. PRL **85**, 5547 (2000).
D. Reiß et al. PRA **65**, 053401 (2002).



Robust cooling of all modes well below the Doppler limit.
D. Reiß et al., PRA **65**, 053401 (2002)



- Simultaneous sideband cooling of many vibrational modes (theory):
CW, G. Morigi, D. Reiß, to appear in PRA.



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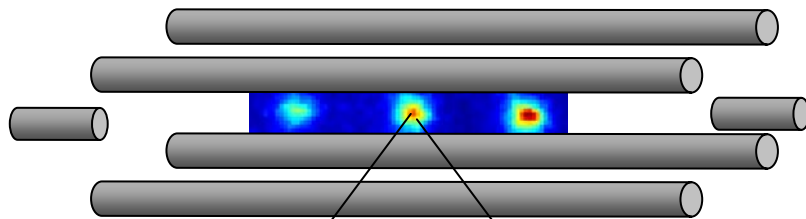


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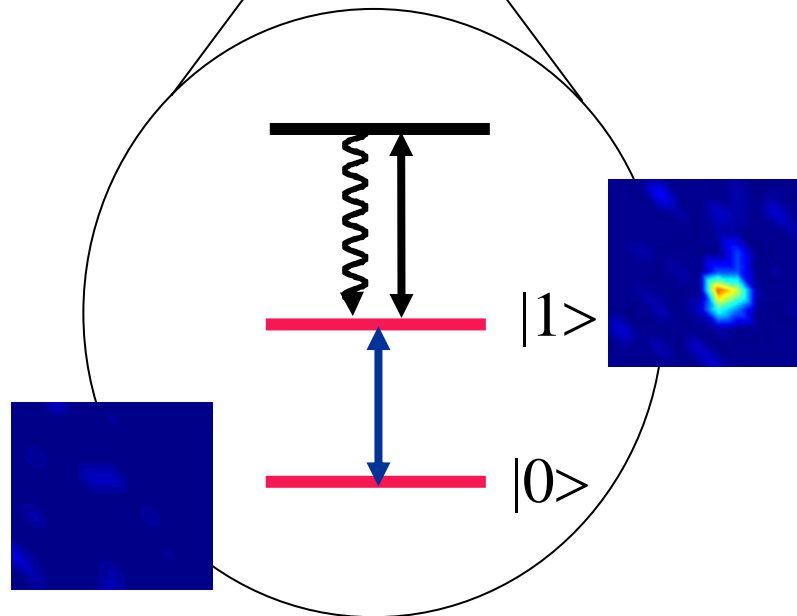


Qubits: State Selective Detection



Choose long-lived internal states as qubit.

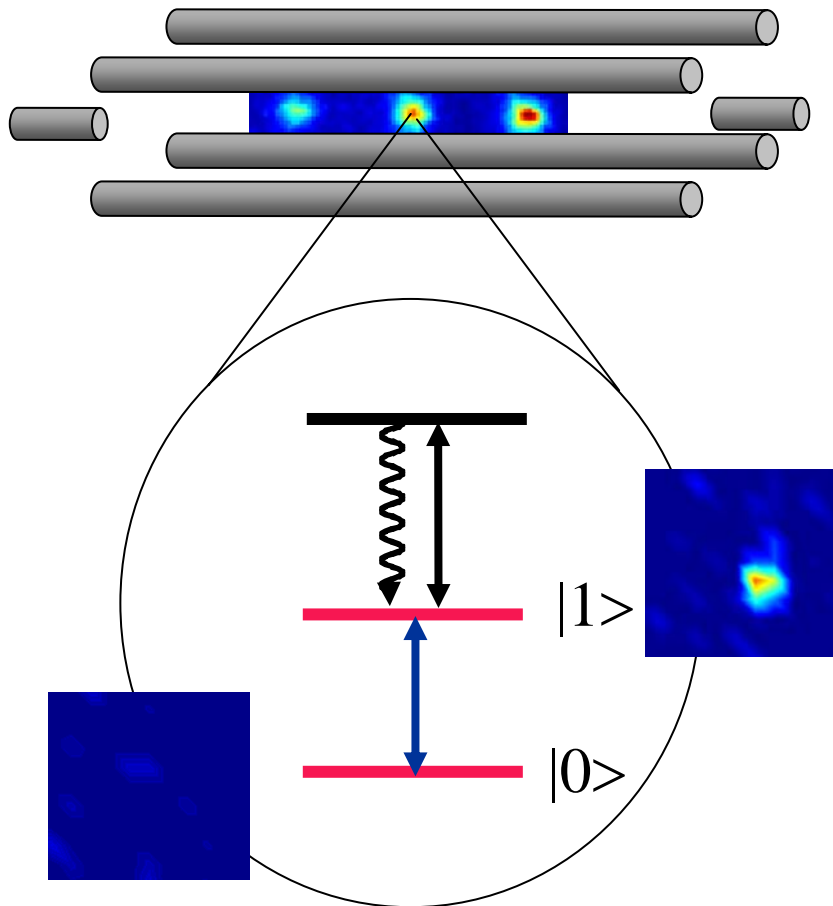
State selective detection:
detect resonance fluorescence;
projective measurement of
individual qubits.



Internal states: qubits

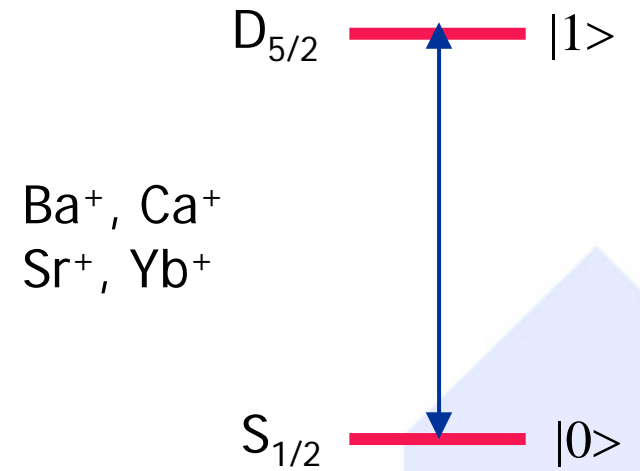


Qubits: E2 transition



Internal states: qubits

Electric quadrupole transition





Qubits: E2 transition

Interaction Hamiltonian

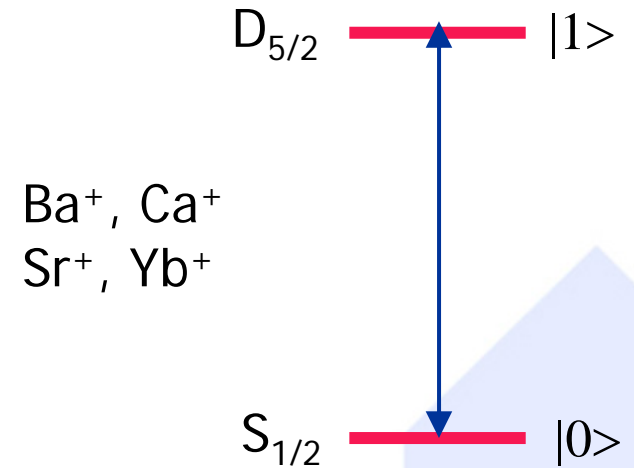
$$\tilde{H}_L = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \Omega_R (\sigma_+ e^{i\phi} + \sigma_- e^{-i\phi})$$

need to keep **phase ϕ** stable,

with $\omega \approx 5 \times 10^{14}$ Hz

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\Delta\omega}{\omega} \approx 10^{-13}$$

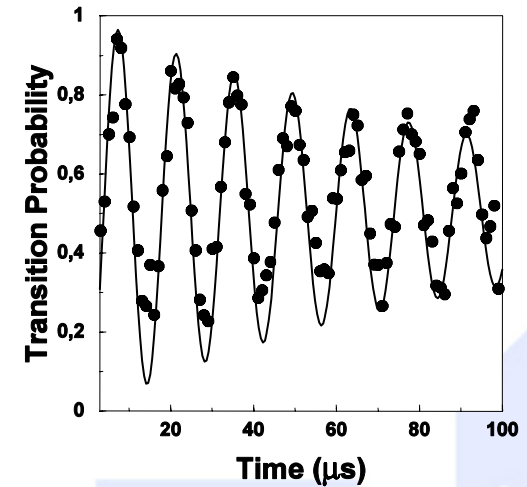
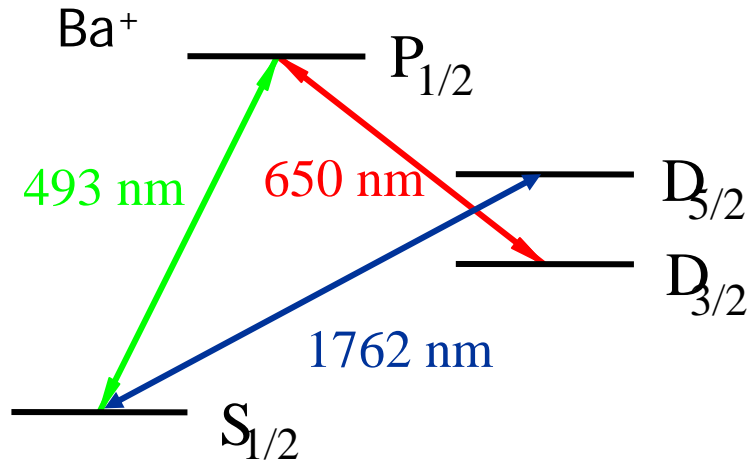
Electric quadrupole transition



⇒ Precise coherent operations demand:
Small emission bandwidth, high absolute stability of frequency.



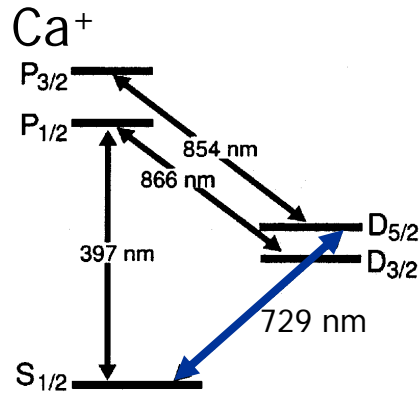
Qubits: E2 transition



- Coherent excitation of optical E2-transition
CW, Chr. Balzer, Adv.At.Mol.Opt.Phys. **49**, 295 (2003).

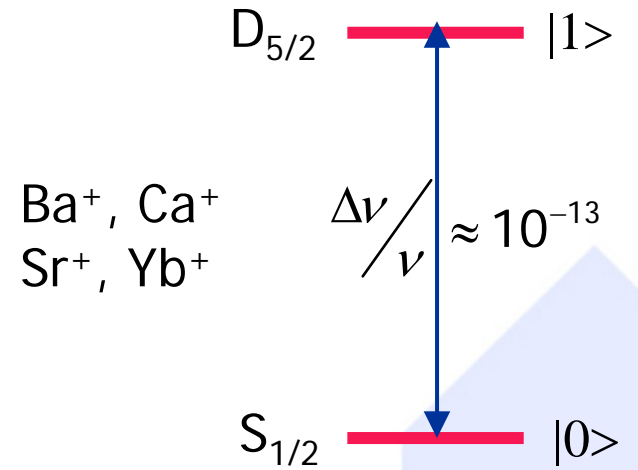


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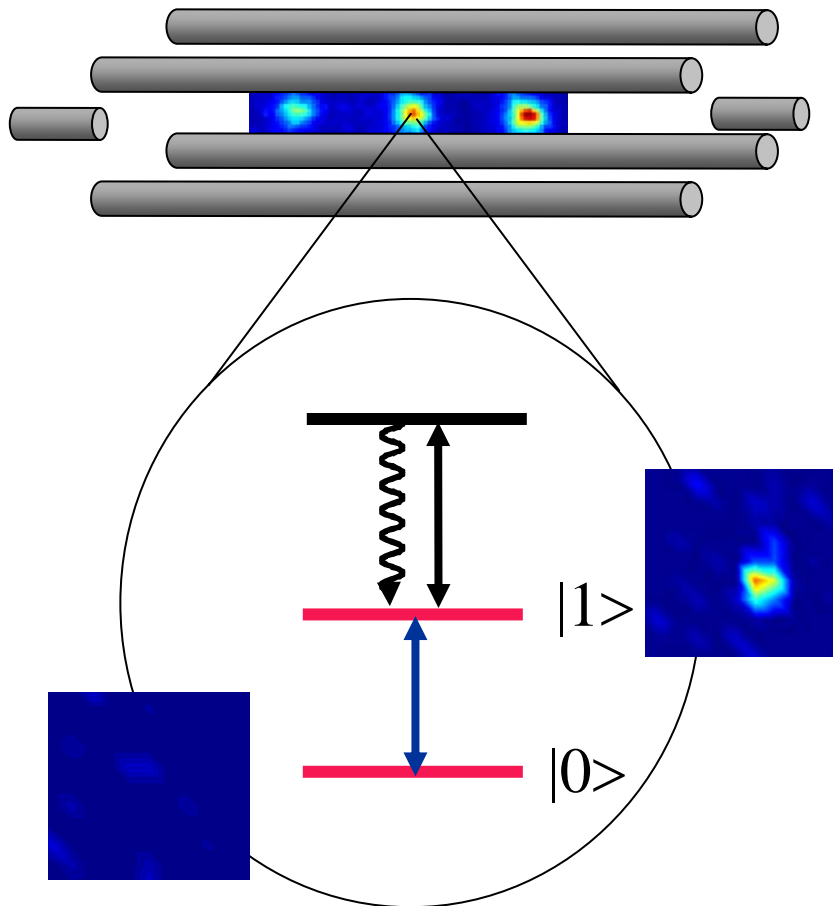
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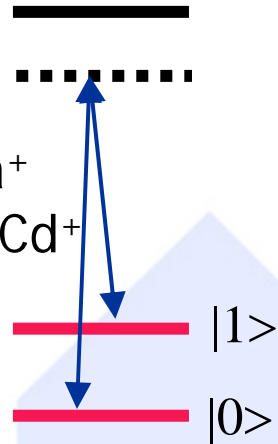
Qubits: Hyperfine transition



Internal states: qubits

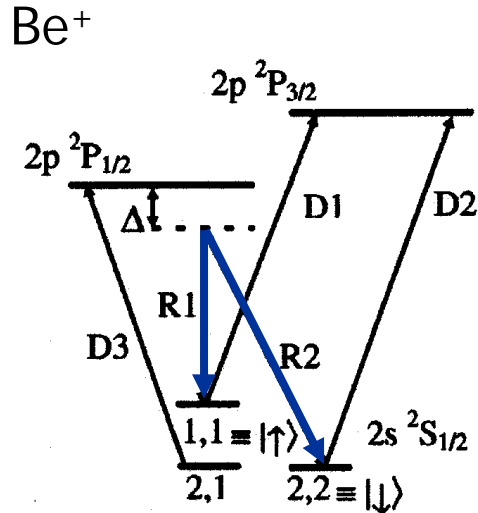
Hyperfine or Zeeman transition

${}^9\text{Be}^+$, ${}^{25}\text{Mg}^+$, ${}^{43}\text{Ca}^+$
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 ${}^{171}\text{Yb}^+$



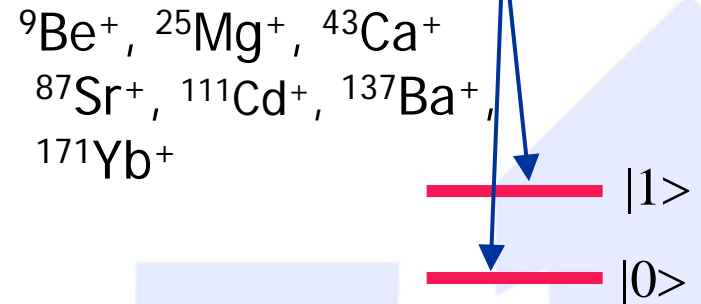


Qubits: Hyperfine transition



e.g., C. Monroe et al., PRL **75**, 4714 (1995).

Hyperfine or Zeeman transition

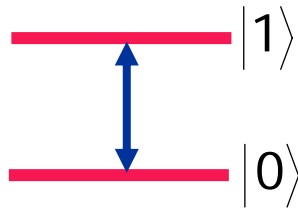


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Qubits



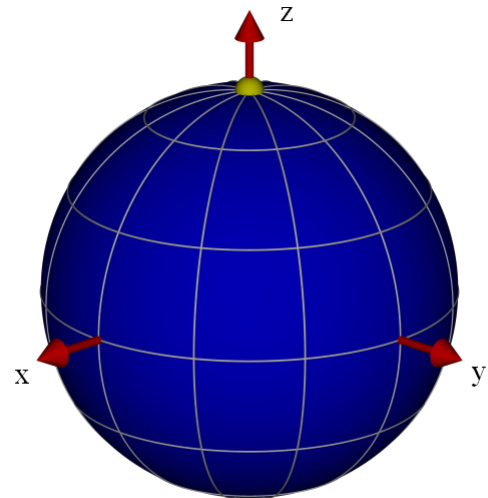
Qubit: $a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle$ where $|a|^2 + |b|^2 = 1$

$$\cos \frac{\theta}{2} |0\rangle + \sin \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\phi} |1\rangle \equiv |\theta, \phi\rangle$$

Quantum computing:

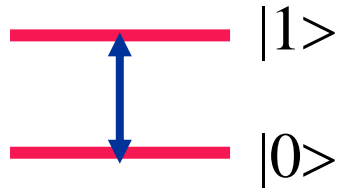
- Arbitrary single-qubit gates
- Conditional dynamics, e.g., CNOT gate

A. Barenco *et al.*, PRA **52**, 3457 (1995).





Single Qubit Gate



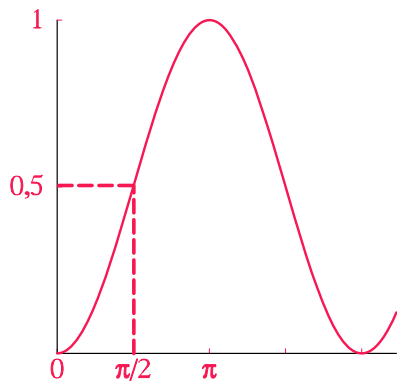
$$\omega_L = \omega$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{H}_L = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \Omega_R (\sigma_+ e^{i\phi} + \sigma_- e^{-i\phi})$$

Time evolution operator (interaction picture) $U(t) = \exp\left(-\frac{i}{\hbar} \tilde{H}_L t\right)$

With $\phi = 0$: $U(\vartheta) = \exp(-i \frac{\vartheta}{2} \sigma_x) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \vartheta/2 & -i \sin \vartheta/2 \\ -i \sin \vartheta/2 & \cos \vartheta/2 \end{pmatrix}$ where $\vartheta \equiv \Omega t$

Population in $|1\rangle$



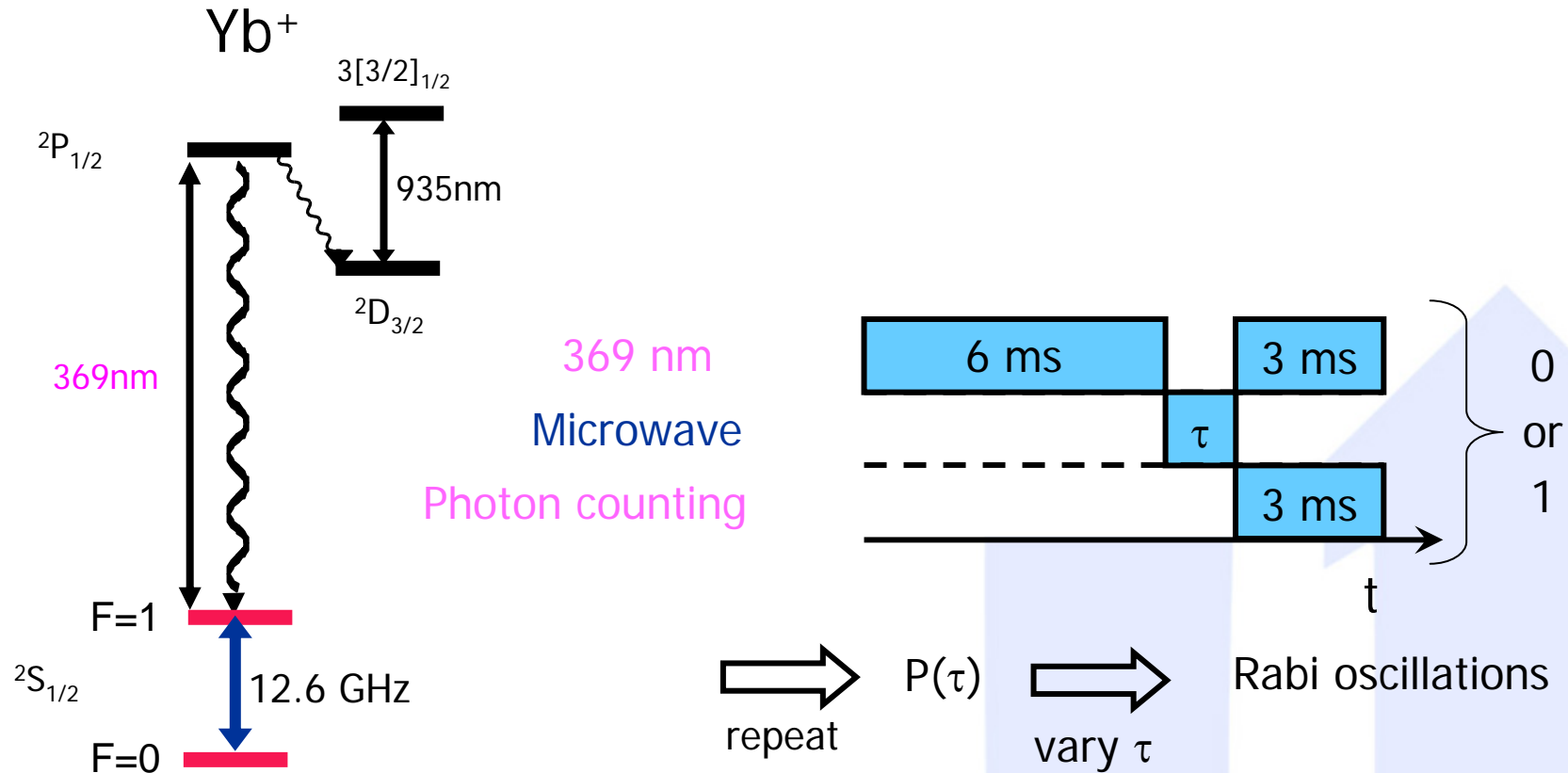
$$U(\vartheta = \frac{\pi}{2}) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -i \sin \pi/4 \\ \cos \pi/4 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \hat{=} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle - i|1\rangle)$$

$$U(\vartheta = \pi) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -i \sin \pi/2 \\ \cos \pi/2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \hat{=} -i|1\rangle$$

$$U(\vartheta = 2\pi) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -i \sin \pi \\ \cos \pi \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \hat{=} -|0\rangle$$

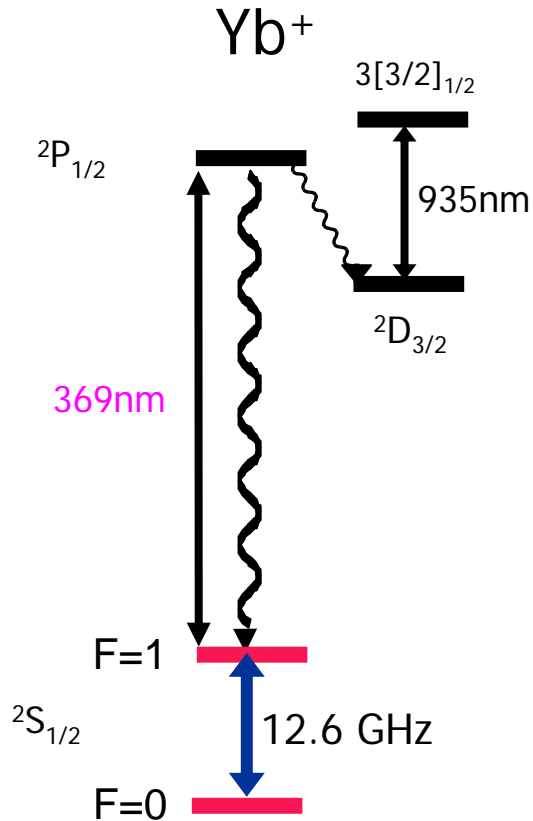


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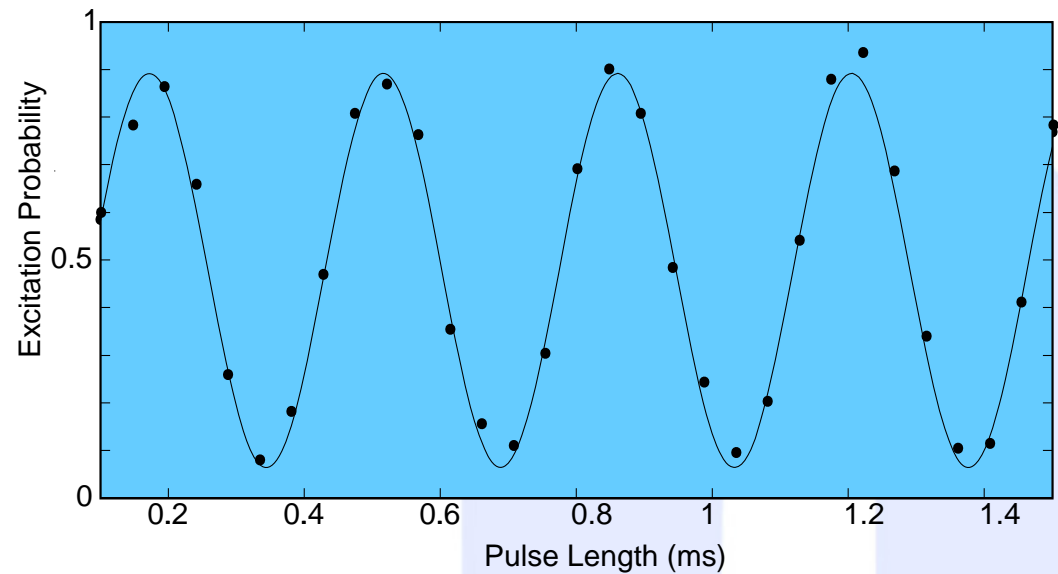




Single-Qubit Gate



Individual Yb⁺-Ion

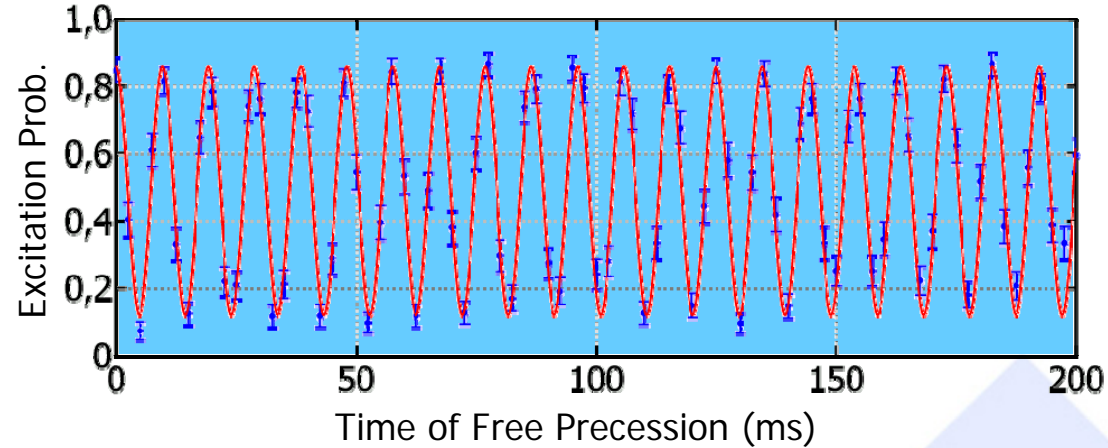
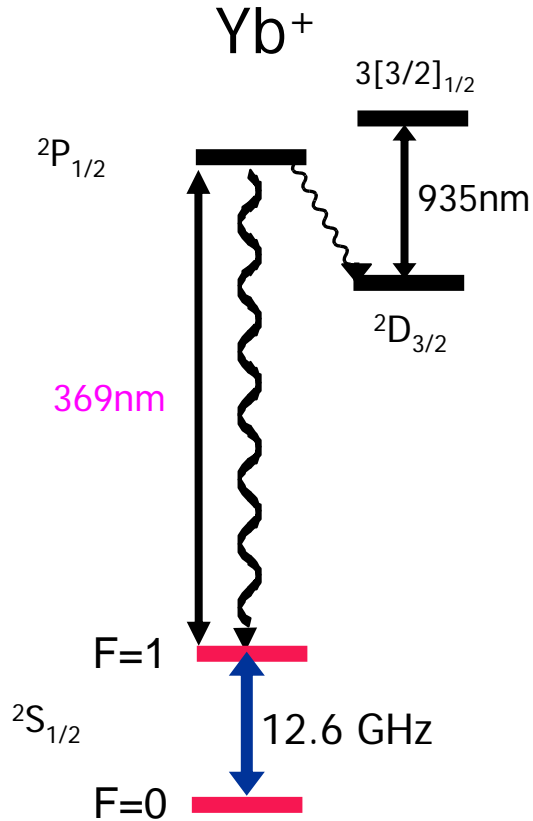


Rabi oscillations

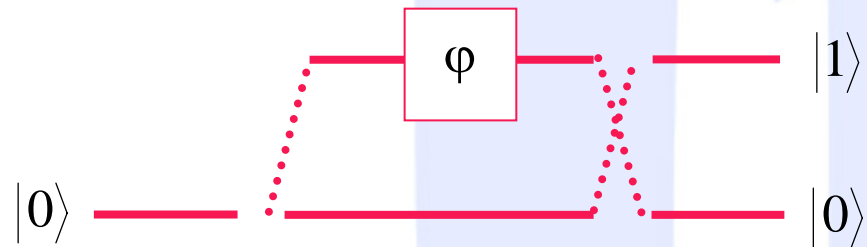
CW, Chr. Balzer, Adv.At.Mol.Opt.Phys. **49**, 295 (2003).



Single-Qubit Gate



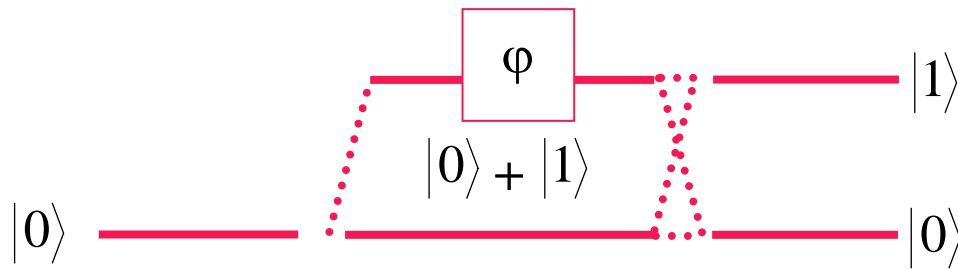
Single Atom Interferometer



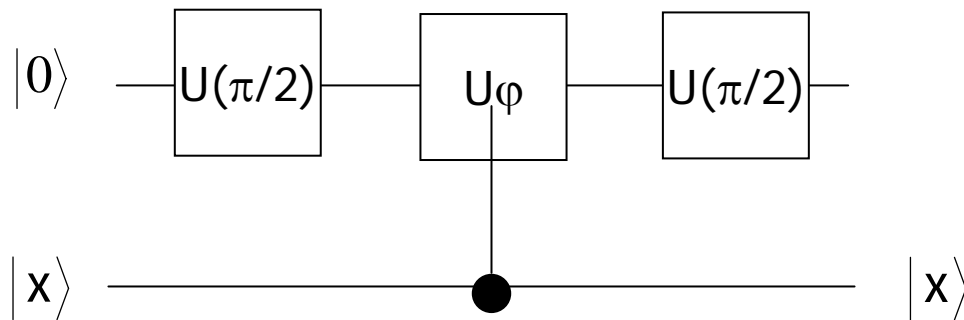
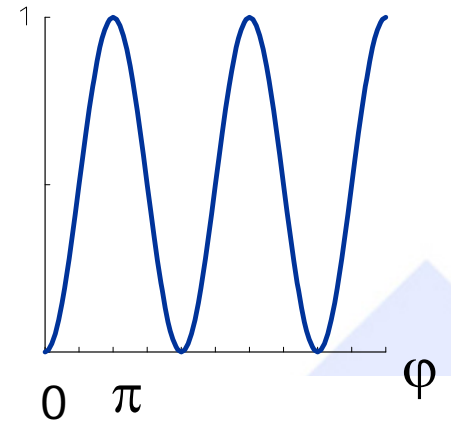
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Two-Qubit Gate

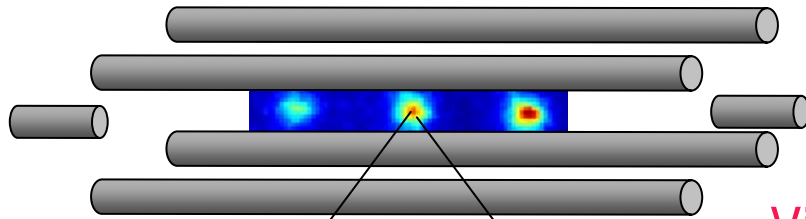


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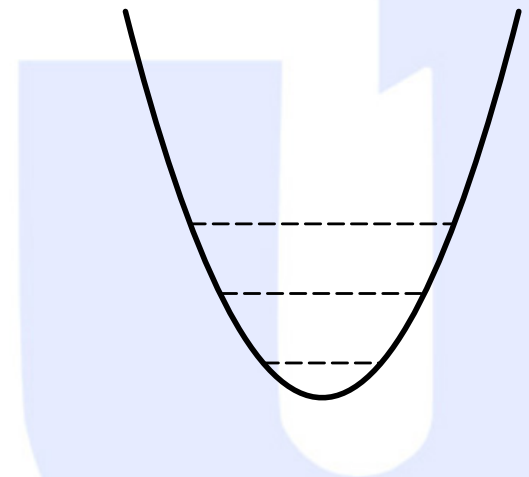
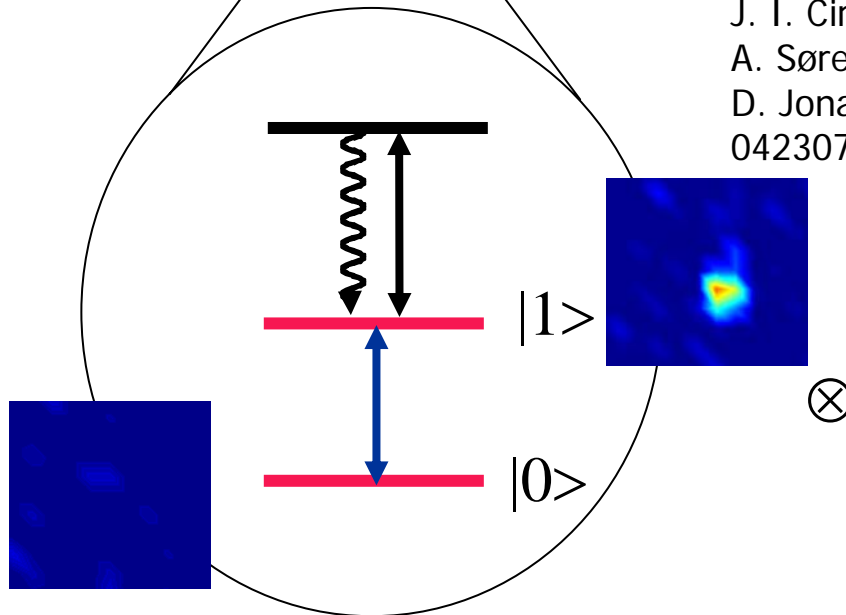


Vibrational motion: bus-qubit

J. I. Cirac, P. Zoller, PRL **74**, 4091 (1995)

A. Sørensen, K. Mølmer, PRA **62**, 022311 (2000)

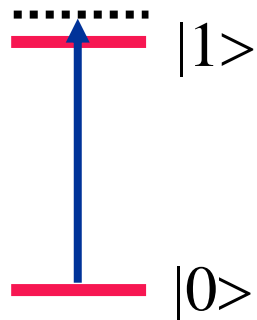
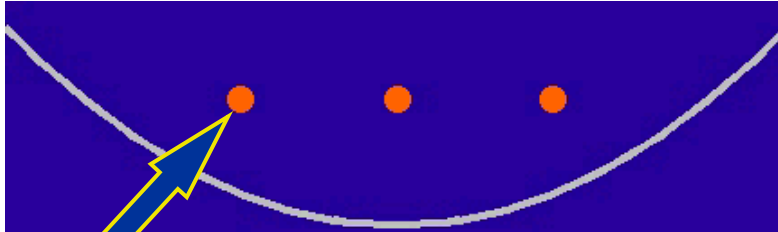
D. Jonathan, M.B. Plenio, P.L. Knight, PRA **62**, 042307 (2000)



Internal states: qubits



Two-Qubit Gate



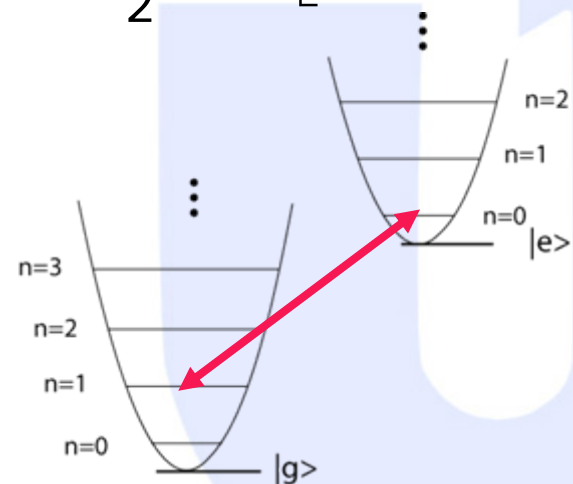
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"Red sideband":

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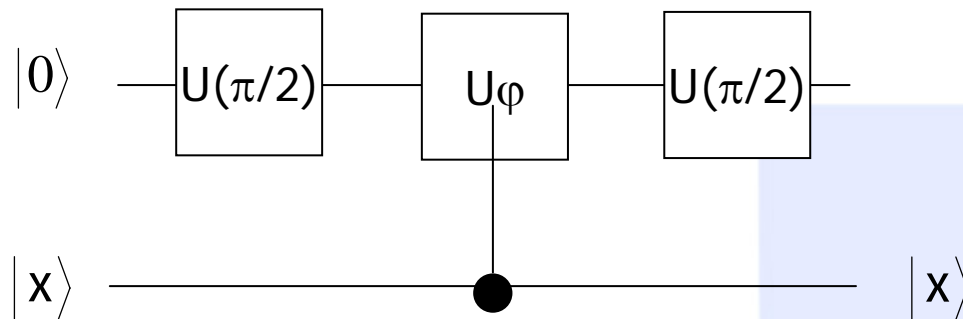
Two-Qubit Gate



CQ	TQ
0	0
0	1
1	0
1	1

CNOT →

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0	1
1	1
1	0



How to implement conditional phase shift?

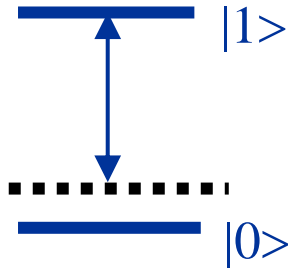


Two-Qubit Cirac-Zoller Gate



π -pulse

CQ



TQ

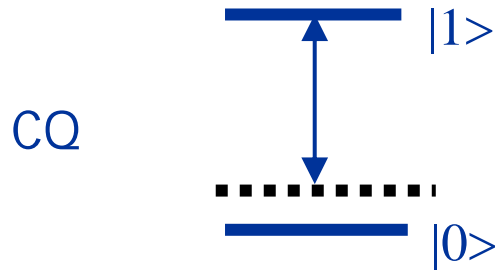
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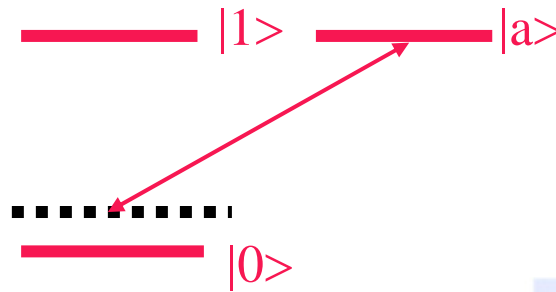


Two-Qubit Cirac-Zoller Gate

π -pulse \longrightarrow 2π -pulse



TQ



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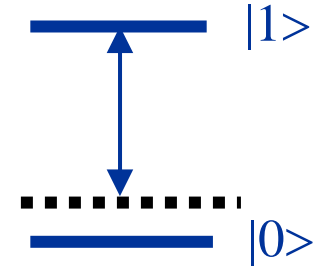
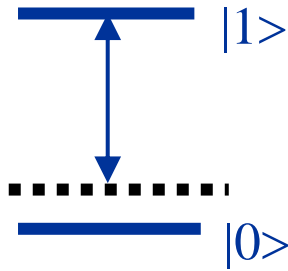
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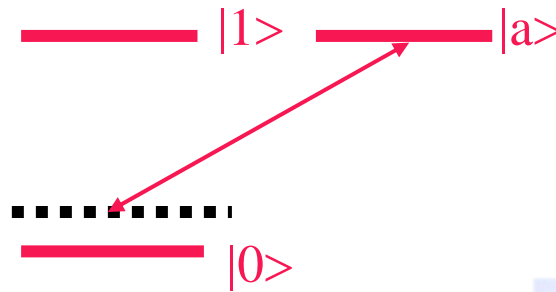
\longrightarrow 2π -pulse

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CQ



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$$|1,0\rangle |0\rangle \rightarrow -i |0,0\rangle |1\rangle \rightarrow -(-i |0,0\rangle |1\rangle) \rightarrow -i(i |1,0\rangle |0\rangle) = |1,0\rangle |0\rangle$$

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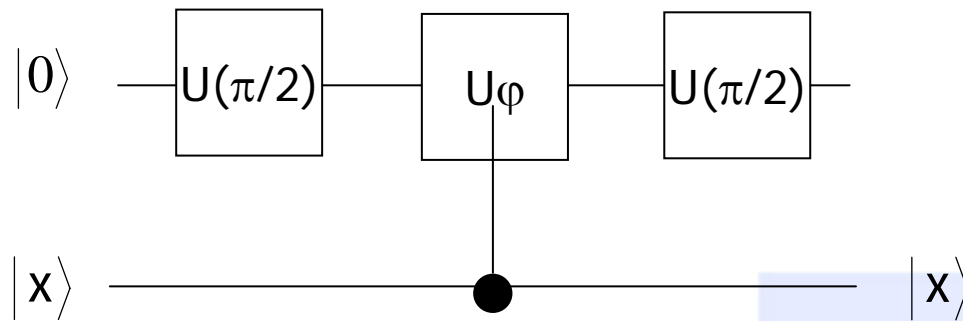
Two-Qubit Gate



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Experiments, e.g.:

CNOT Internal state/Motion:

C. Monroe et al., PRL **75**, 4714 (1995).

Cirac-Zoller Gate:

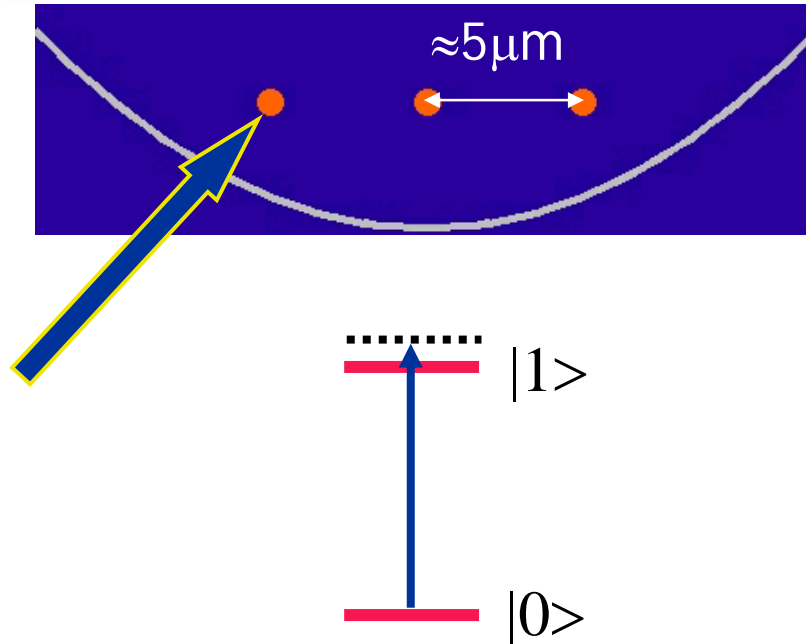
F. Schmidt-Kaler et al. Nature **422**, 408 (2003);

Geometric Phase Gate:

D. Leibfried et al. Nature **422**, 412 (2003).



QIP with trapped ions



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$$\eta \equiv \frac{\hbar k}{2p_0} = \frac{z_0}{\lambda} 2\pi \quad z_0 \approx 10\text{nm}$$

$$H_I \propto \sigma_+ \exp[i\eta(a + a^\dagger)] + \text{h.c.}$$

⇒ optical wavelengths

- **address** individual qubits

⇒ optical wavelengths

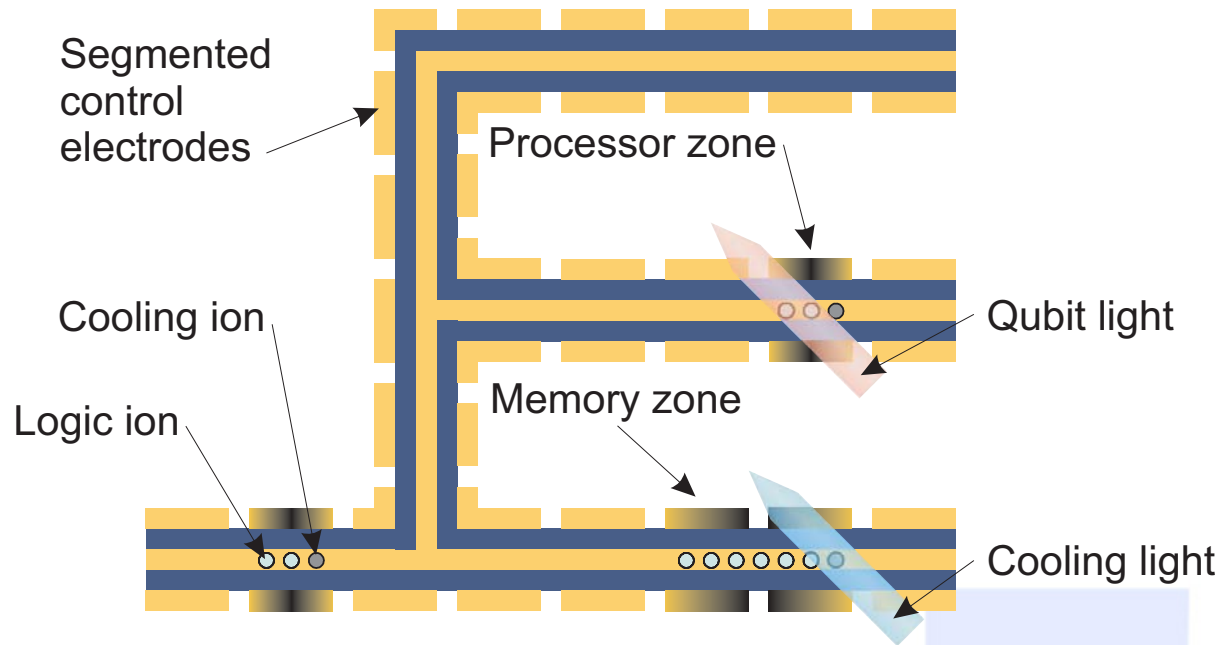
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Scaling



J. Chiaverini et al., *Quant. Inf. Comput.* **5**, 419 (2005).

D. J. Wineland et al., *J. Res. Natl. Inst. Stand. Technol.* **103** (3), 259 (1998).

- Two ions at a time for quantum logic. Separate memory regions.
- ⇒ avoid cooling of many vibrational modes.
 - ⇒ avoid individual addressing.



Overview



1. Ion Trap and Laser Cooling
 - Electrodynamical trap
 - Collective ion motion: harmonic oscillator
 - Doppler cooling
 - Trapped atom-light interaction
 - Resolved sideband cooling
2. Qubits and Quantum Gates
 - E2-transition, Hyperfine transition
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 - 2-qubit gate
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 - Spin-Motion coupling
 - Spin-Spin coupling
 - Analogy with NMR
4. QIS with trapped Yb^+ ions



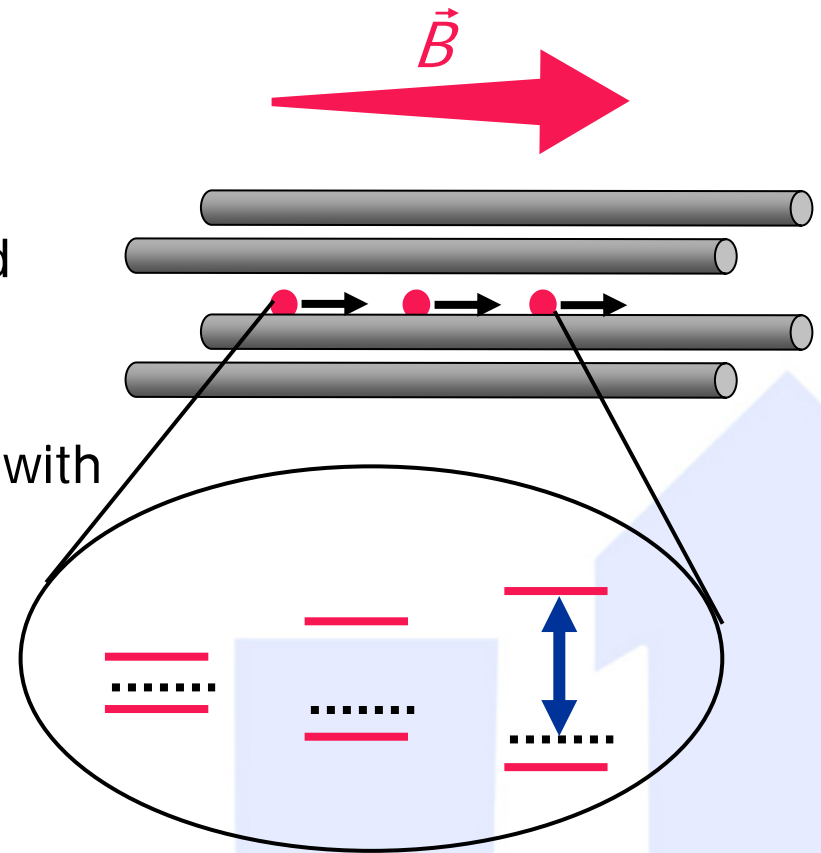
Spin resonance with trapped ions



State-dependent force:

- Qubit resonances shifted individually
- **Coupling** of internal and external dynamics even with microwave radiation

F. Mintert, CW, PRL **87**, 257904 (2001).

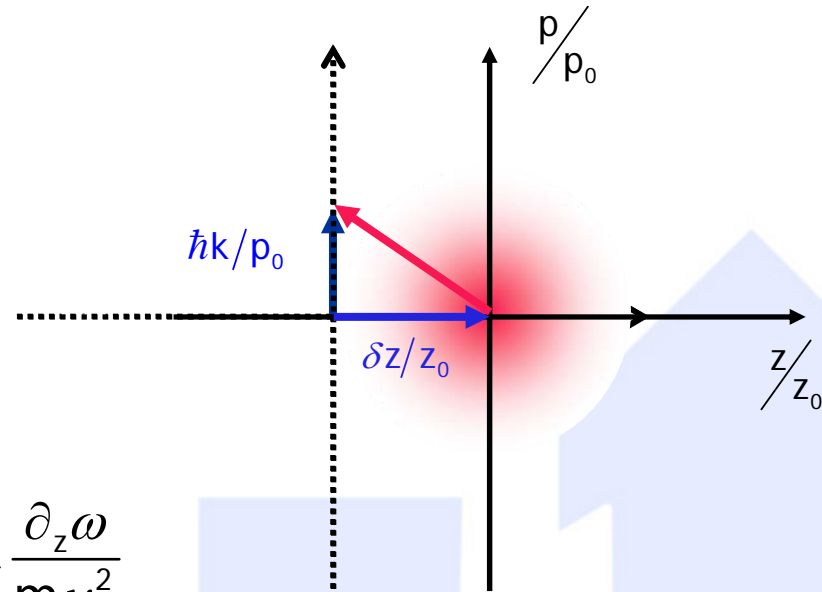
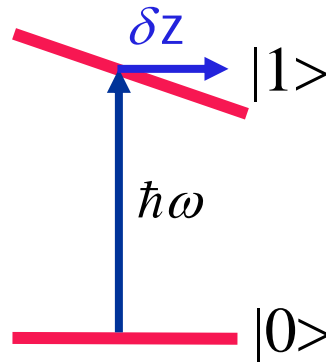




Spin-Motion Coupling



- **Coupling** internal and external dynamics:
using **state dependent force**



Equilibrium shifted by $\delta z = -\hbar \frac{\partial_z \omega}{m v^2}$

Coupling parameter: $\kappa \equiv \frac{\delta z}{z_0} = z_0 \frac{\partial_z \omega}{v}$

effective Lamb-Dicke parameter: $\eta' \equiv \eta - i \kappa$

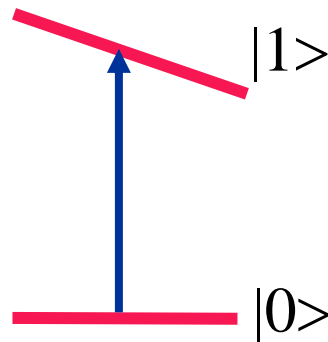
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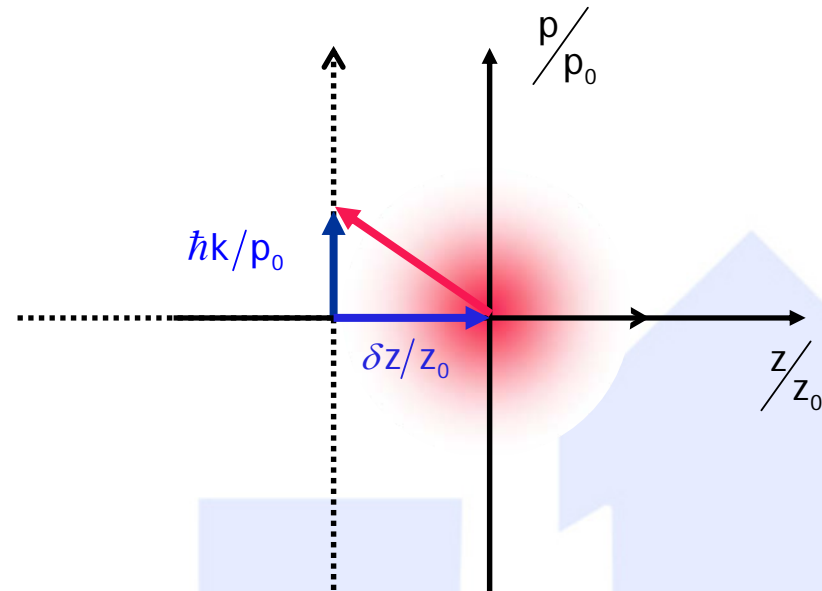
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⊗



$$H_1 \propto \sigma_+ \exp\left[i\eta'(a + a^\dagger)\right] + \text{h.c.} \quad \text{where} \quad \eta' \equiv (\eta^2 + \kappa^2)^{1/2}$$

⇒ All optical schemes can be used with rf or mw radiation.

⇒ Applicable to **neutral** atoms, too.

F. Mintert, CW, PRL **87**, 257904 (2001).



Spin-Motion Coupling



Make use of state dependent *optical dipole force* for quantum gates, for instance:

D. Leibfried et al., Nature **422**, 412 (2003). (Experiment)

D. Porras, J. I. Cirac, **92**, 207901 (2004). (Theory)

P. C. Haljan et al., PRL **94**, 153602 (2005). (Experiment)

Speed optimised quantum gates:

J. J. Garcia-Ripoll, P. Zoller, J. I. Cirac, PRL **91**, 157901 (2003).



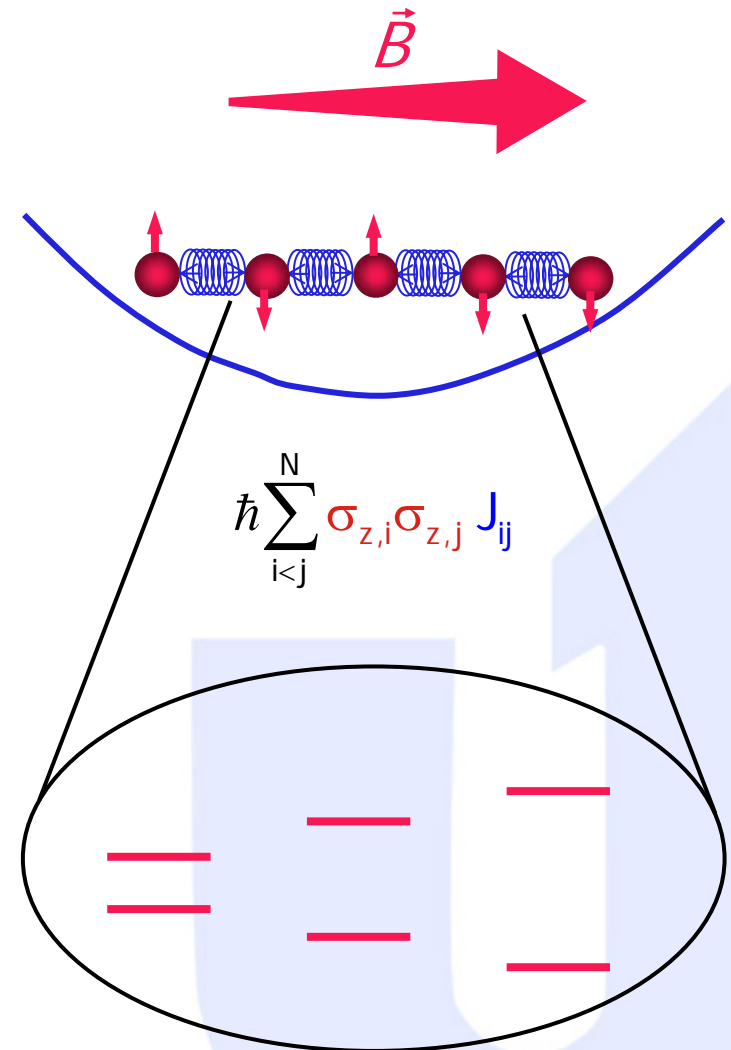
Spin resonance with trapped ions



Ion Spin Molecule

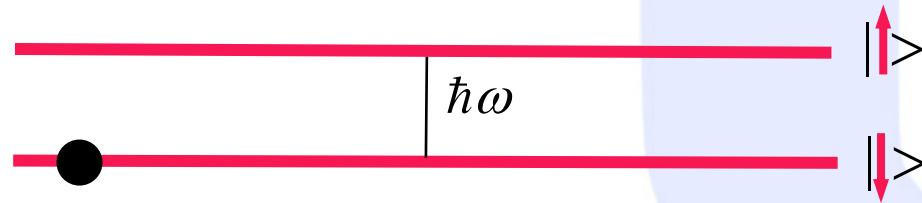
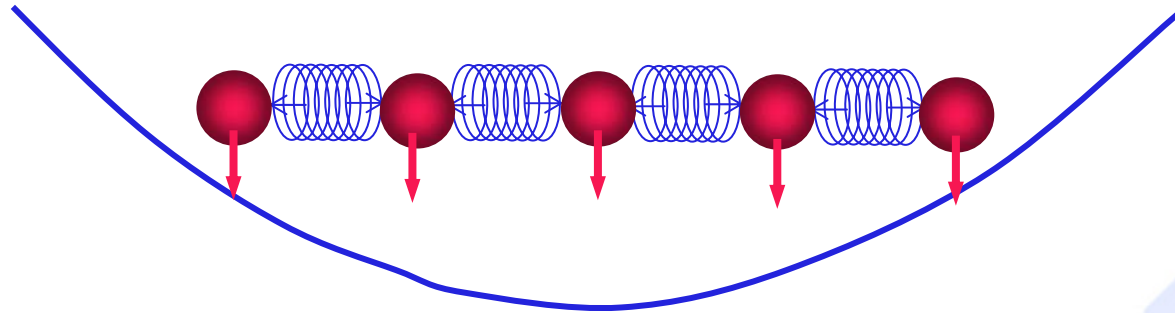
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- **Spin-Spin coupling** between individual qubits

CW in *Laser Physics at the Limit*, Springer, 2002, p. 261.



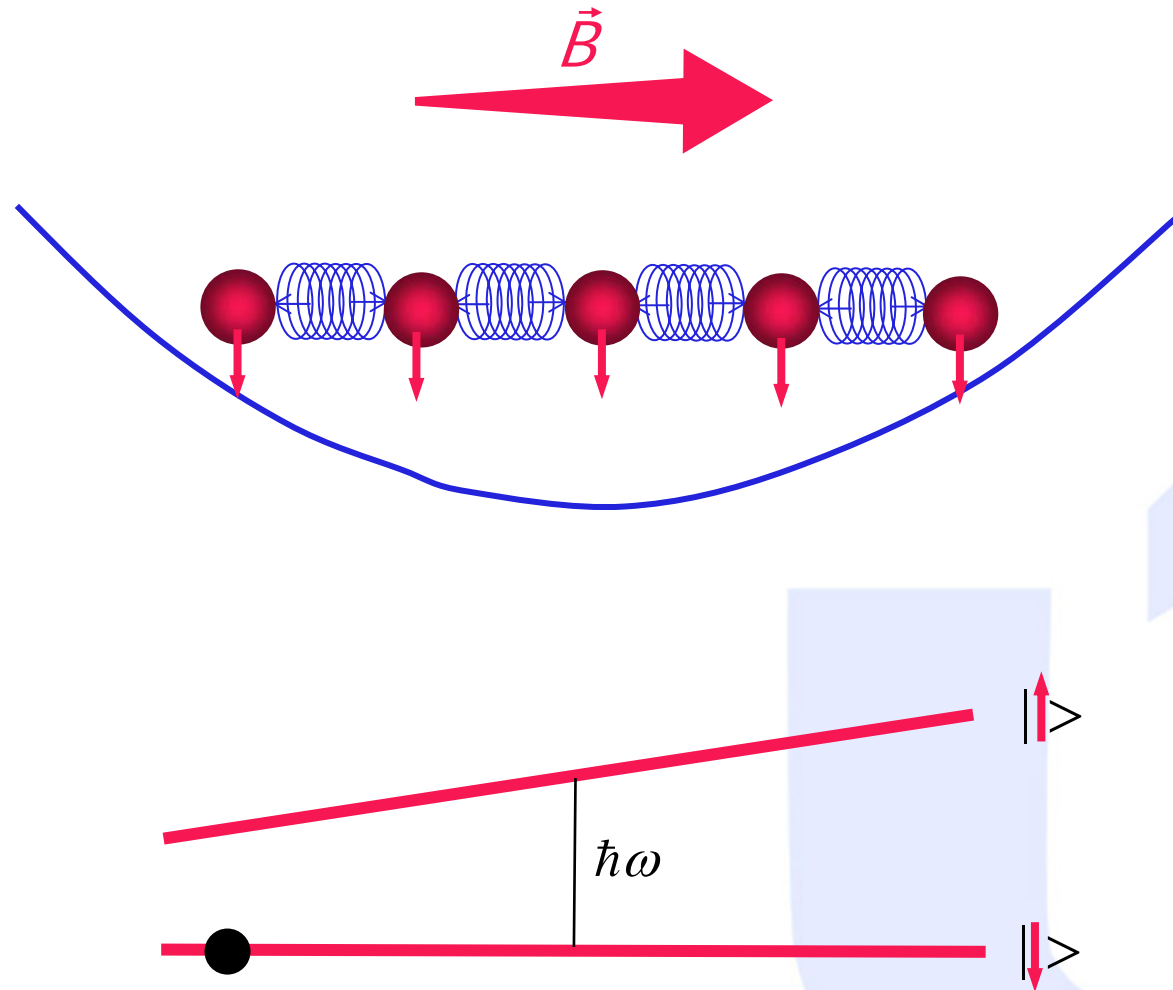


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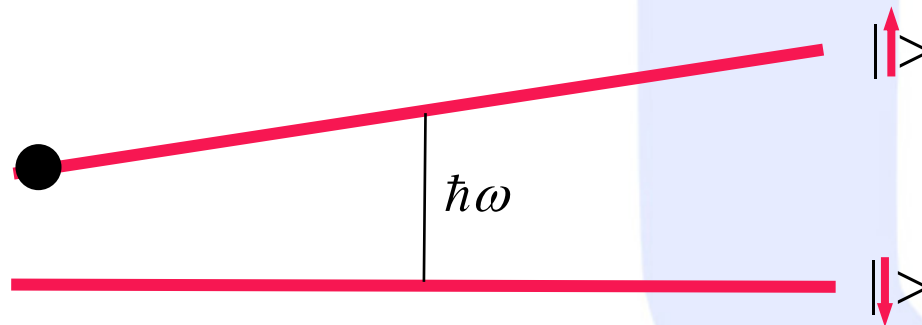
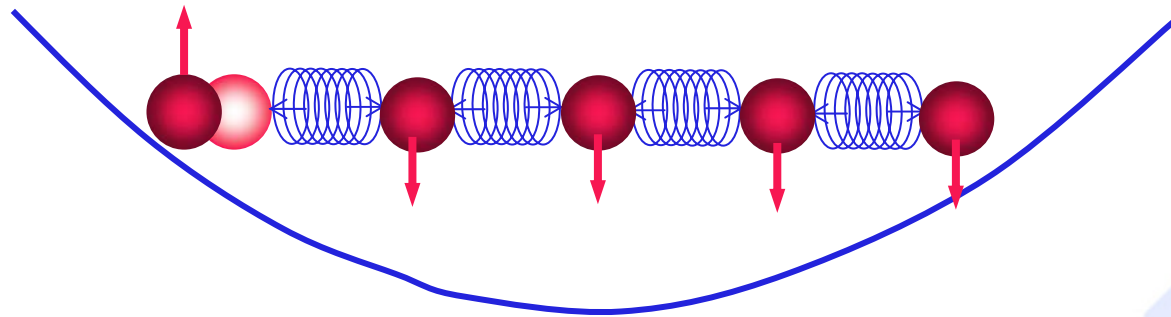


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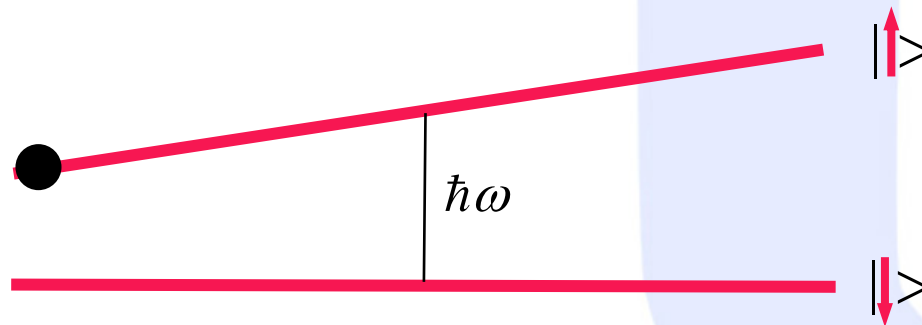
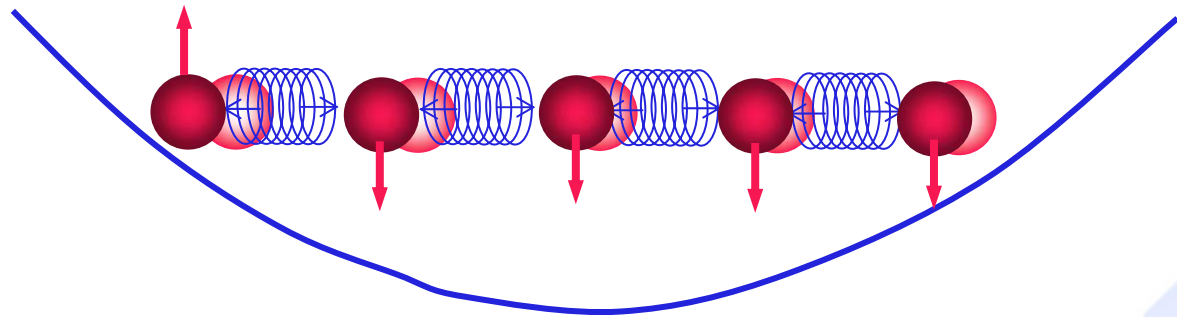


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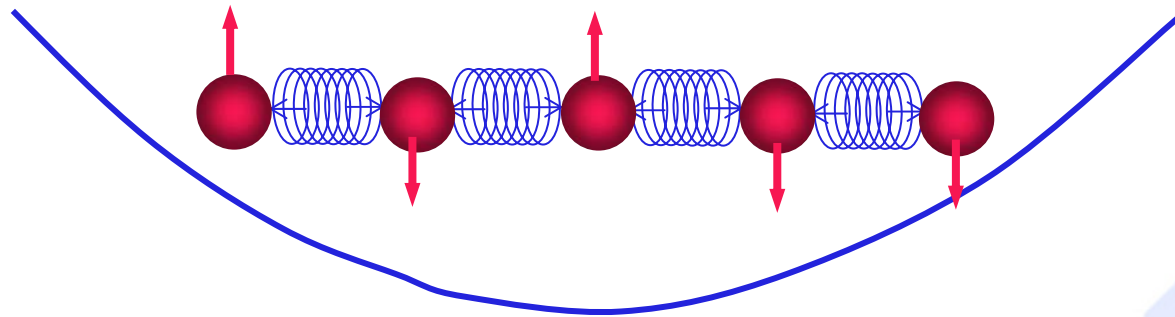




Spin-Spin Coupling



$$\tilde{H} = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \sum_{j=1}^N \omega_j(z_{0,j}) \sigma_{z,j} + \hbar \sum_{n=1}^N v_n (a_n^\dagger a_n) - \hbar \sum_{i < j}^N \sigma_{z,i} \sigma_{z,j} \left[\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N v_n \kappa_{ni} \kappa_{nj} \right]$$



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also: quant-ph/0111158



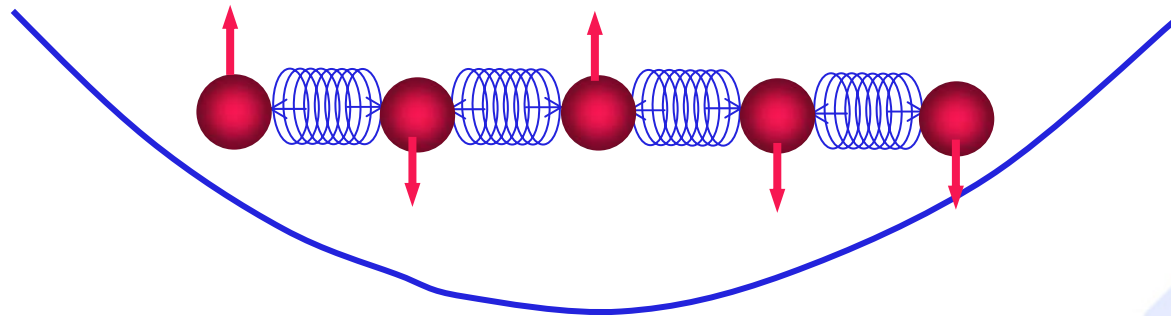
Ion Molecule



$$\tilde{H} = H_{\text{intern}} + H_{\text{extern}} - \hbar \sum_{i < j}^N J_{ij} \sigma_{z,i} \sigma_{z,j}$$

$J_{ij} \propto \left(\frac{\partial_z B}{v_1} \right)^2$

Spin-Spin coupling



Individual N-qubit “designer molecule”
with adjustable coupling constants

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also: quant-ph/0111158.

D. Mc Hugh, J. Twamley PRA **71**, 012315 (2005), quant-ph/0310015

Spin coupled system using *optical* force instead:
D. Porras and J. I. Cirac PRL **92**, 207901 (2004)



Analogy with NMR

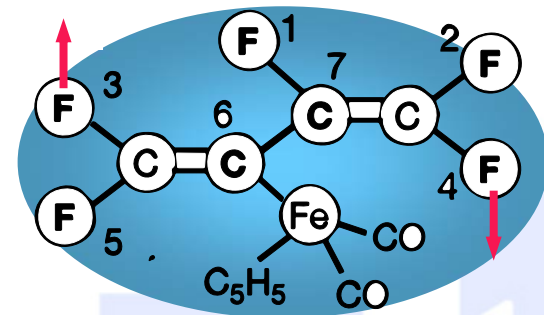


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Conditional dynamics:

$$\hbar \sum_{i < j}^N J_{ij} \sigma_{z,i} \sigma_{z,j}$$





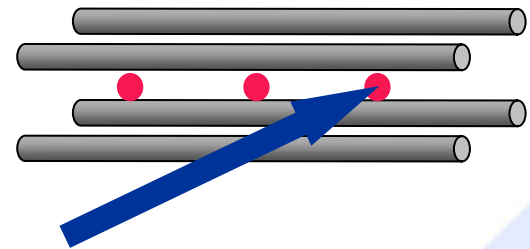
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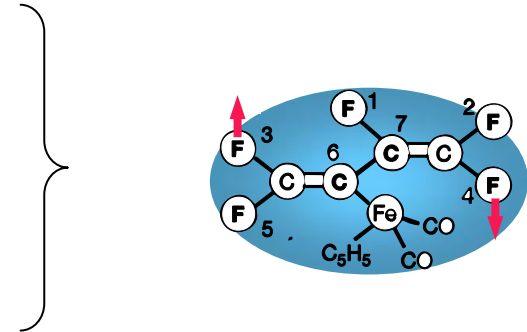


~ Individual qubits.
Use microwaves?

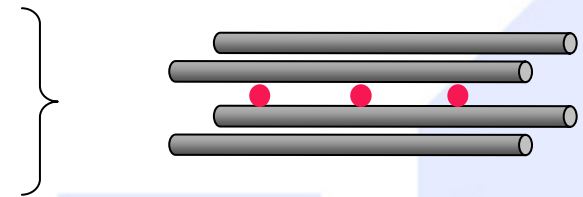
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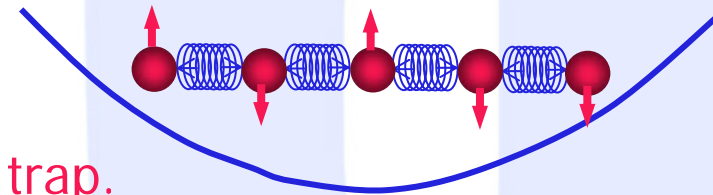
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- Use sophisticated NMR concepts and techniques.
- Individual qubits.
- Efficient preparation and readout using projective measurements.
- Spin-spin coupling adjustable.
- (Nearly) insensitive to thermal excitation. \Rightarrow many ions in single trap.



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M. Loewen, CW, Verhandl. DPG 2004 (VI) 39, 7/87 (2004)

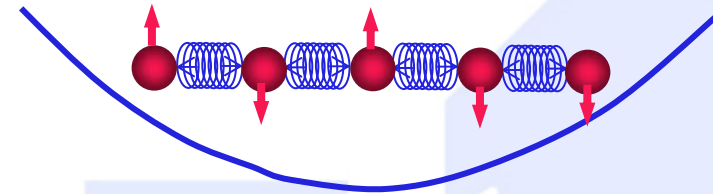
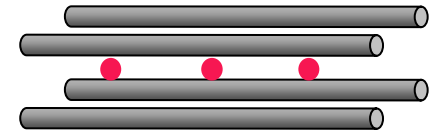
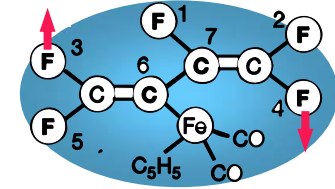
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many ions in single trap:

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- Q.Simulations, e.g. Porras, Cirac, PRL **92**, 207901 (2004).
- Transport of Q.Information, e.g. Christandl et al., PRL **92**, 187902 (2004), Noah, Linden, PRA **69**, 052315 (2004).
- Entanglement and decoherence, e.g. Dür, Briegel, PRL **92**, 180403 (2004).



DiVincenzo Criteria for QC



1. *A scalable physical system with well-characterized qubits.*
Electronic states: qubits; vibrational motion used as bus qubit
Scalability: schemes in progress.
2. *The ability to initialize the state of the qubits to a simple fiducial state.*
Individual qubits prepared by efficient optical pumping.
3. *Long decoherence times, much longer than the gate-operation time.*
Longitudinal relaxation: seconds (electronic) to years (hyperfine);
transverse relaxation: tens of seconds (hyperfine).
Gate operation: tens of μs .
4. *A universal set of quantum gates.*
Single-qubit gates and variety of two-qubit gates experimentally demonstrated.
5. *A qubit-specific measurement capability.*
Projective measurement with efficiency close to 100% (electron shelving).

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Overview



1. Ion Trap and Laser Cooling
 - Electrodynamical trap
 - Collective ion motion: harmonic oscillator
 - Doppler cooling
 - Trapped atom-light interaction
 - Resolved sideband cooling

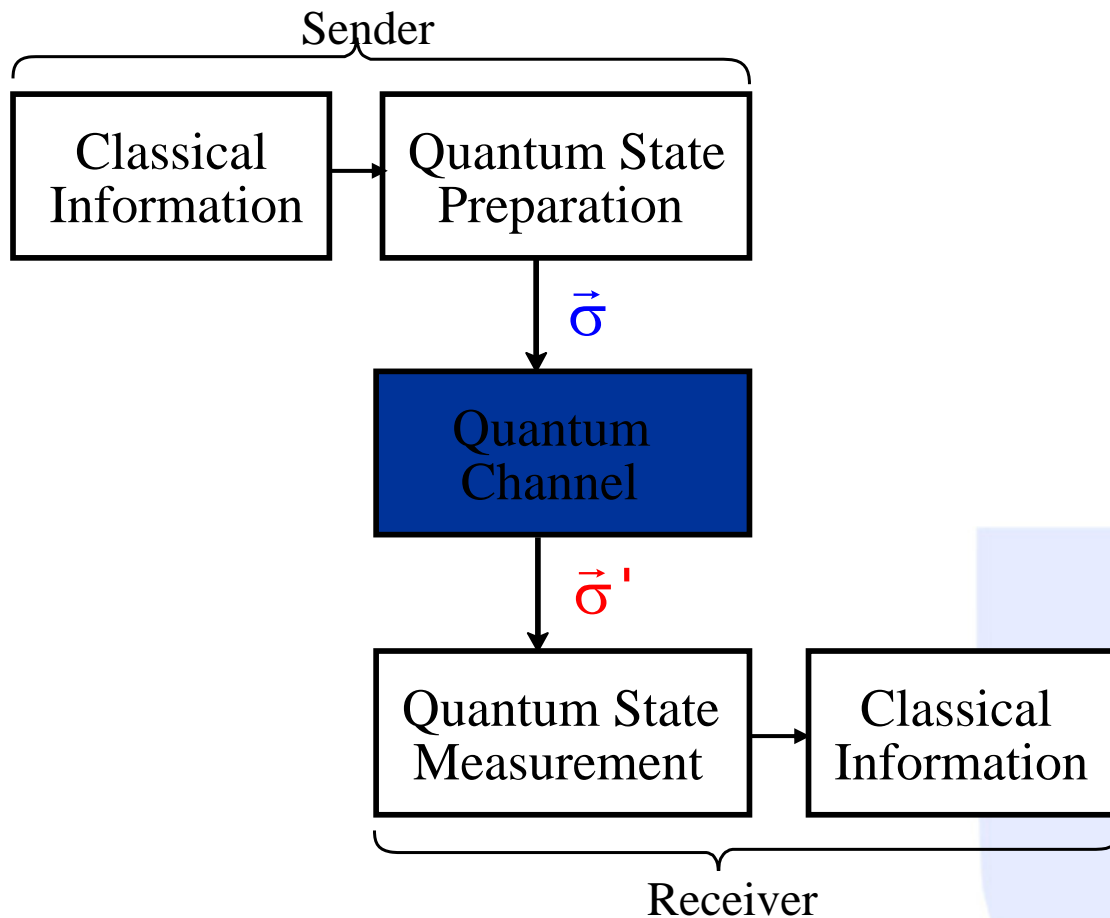
2. Qubits and Quantum Gates
 - E2-transition, Hyperfine transition
 - Single qubit gates
 - 2-qubit gate

3. Ion Spin Molecules
 - Spin-Motion coupling
 - Spin-Spin coupling
 - Analogy with NMR

4. QIS with trapped Yb^+ ions
 - Self-learning estimation of quantum states.
 - Quantum process estimation.
 - Quantum Zeno paradox.

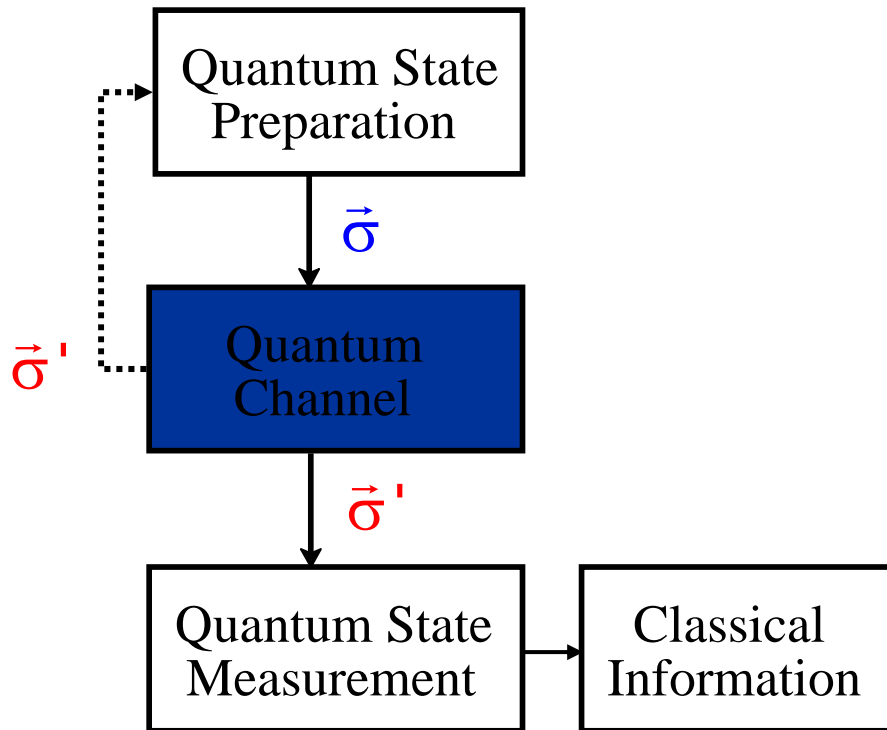


Qubit dynamics



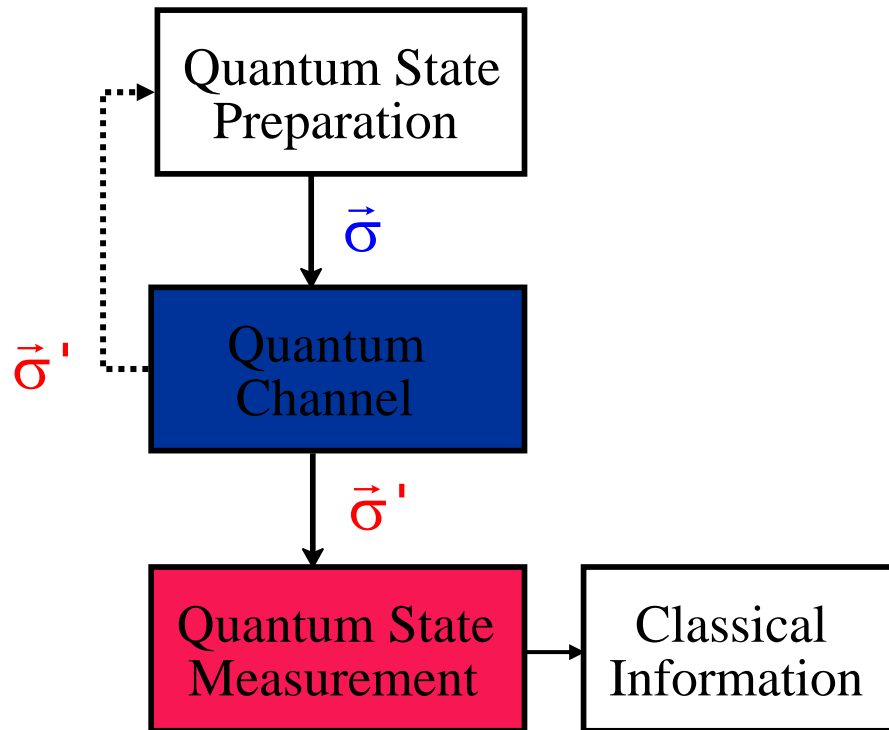


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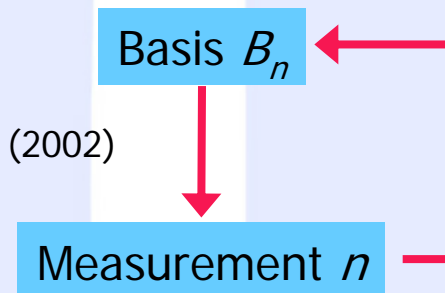
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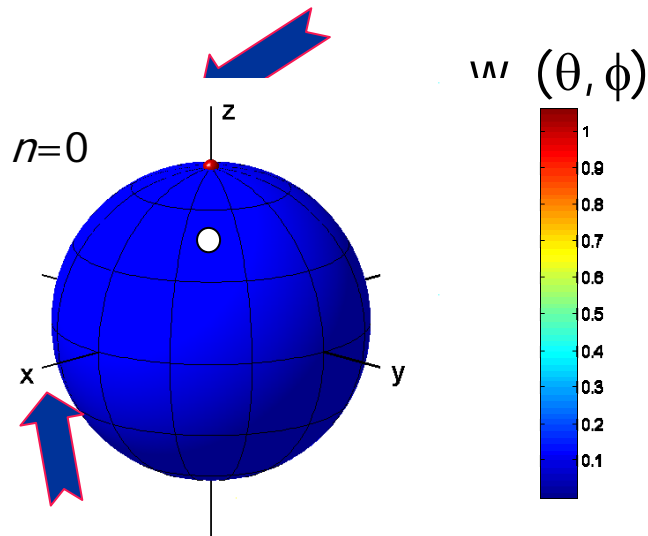


Estimating a quantum state

- Estimation using a **finite** number N of identically prepared qubits:
 - Optimal estimation requires **entangled** basis
 $N=2$: A. Peres, W.K. Wootters, PRL **66**, 1119 (1991); S. Massar, S. Popescu, PRL **74**, 1259 (1995). $N \leq 5$: J. I. Latorre, P. Pascual, and R. Tarrach, PRL **81**, 1351 (1998).
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E. Bagan, M. Baig, and R. Muñoz-Tapia, PRL **89**, 277904 (2002).
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F. De Martini, V. Buzek, F. Sciarrino, and C. Sias, Nature **419**, 815 (2002)



Adaptive Estimation of a quantum state



- Probability density on Bloch sphere after measurement n .

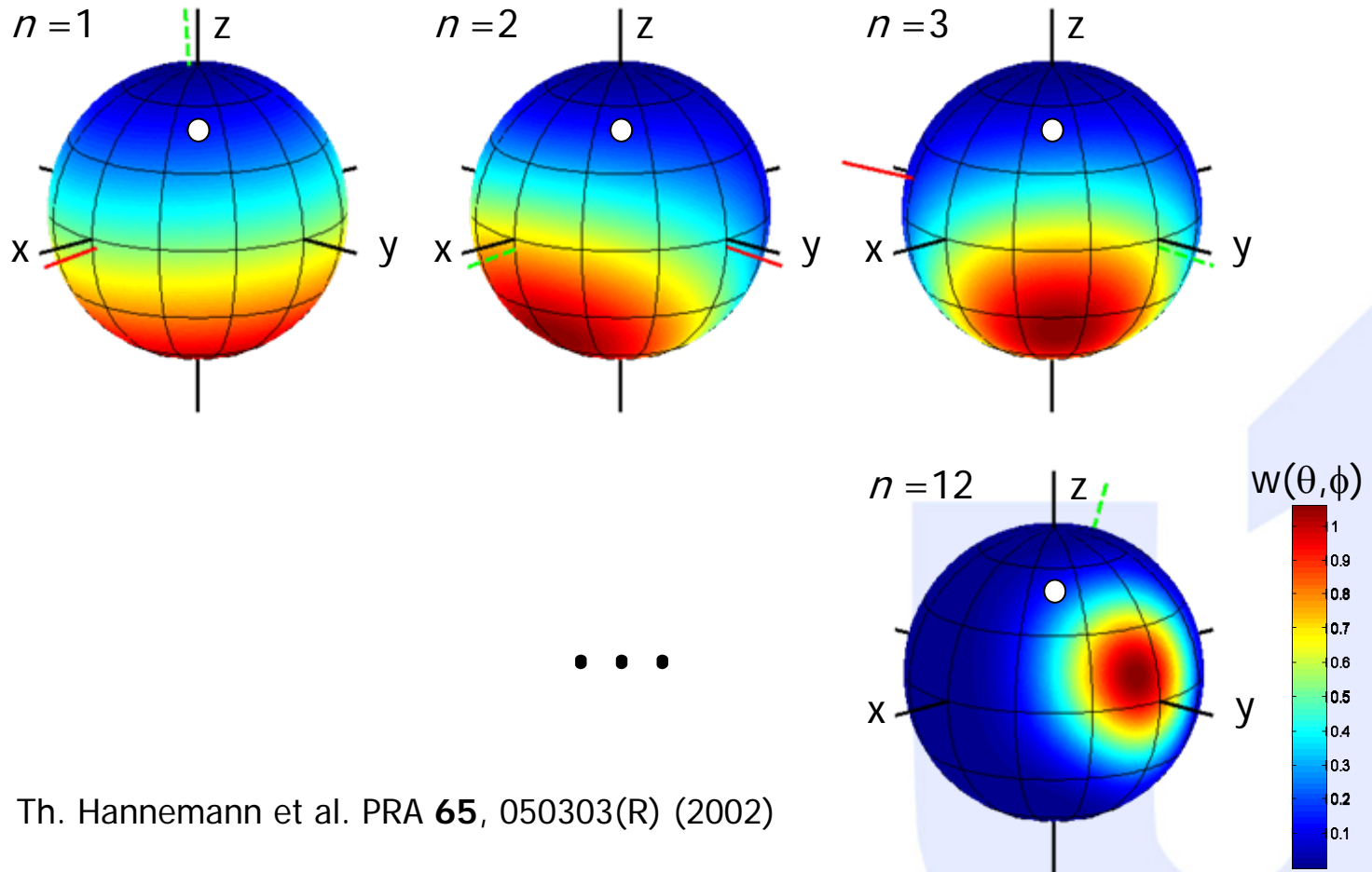
$$\rho_n = \int_0^\pi d\theta \sin\theta \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi w_n(\theta, \phi) |\theta, \phi\rangle \langle \theta, \phi|$$

- Calculate direction of next $(n+1)$ measurement from $w_n(\theta, \phi)$ by maximizing expected fidelity $F_{n+1}(\theta, \phi) = \langle \theta, \phi | \rho_{n+1} | \theta, \phi \rangle$

Th. Hannemann *et al.* PRA **65**, 050303(R) (2002)



Adaptive Estimation of a quantum state

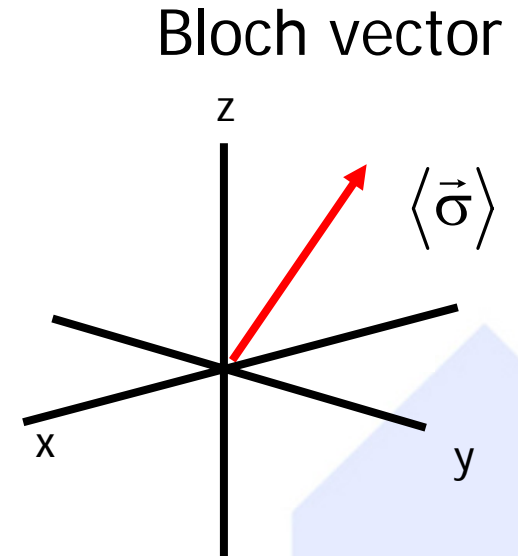


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Adaptive Estimation of a quantum state

- Account for decoherence:
 - Preparation $\eta_{\text{prep}} = 89 \%$
 - Detection $\eta_{\text{det}} = 97 \%$

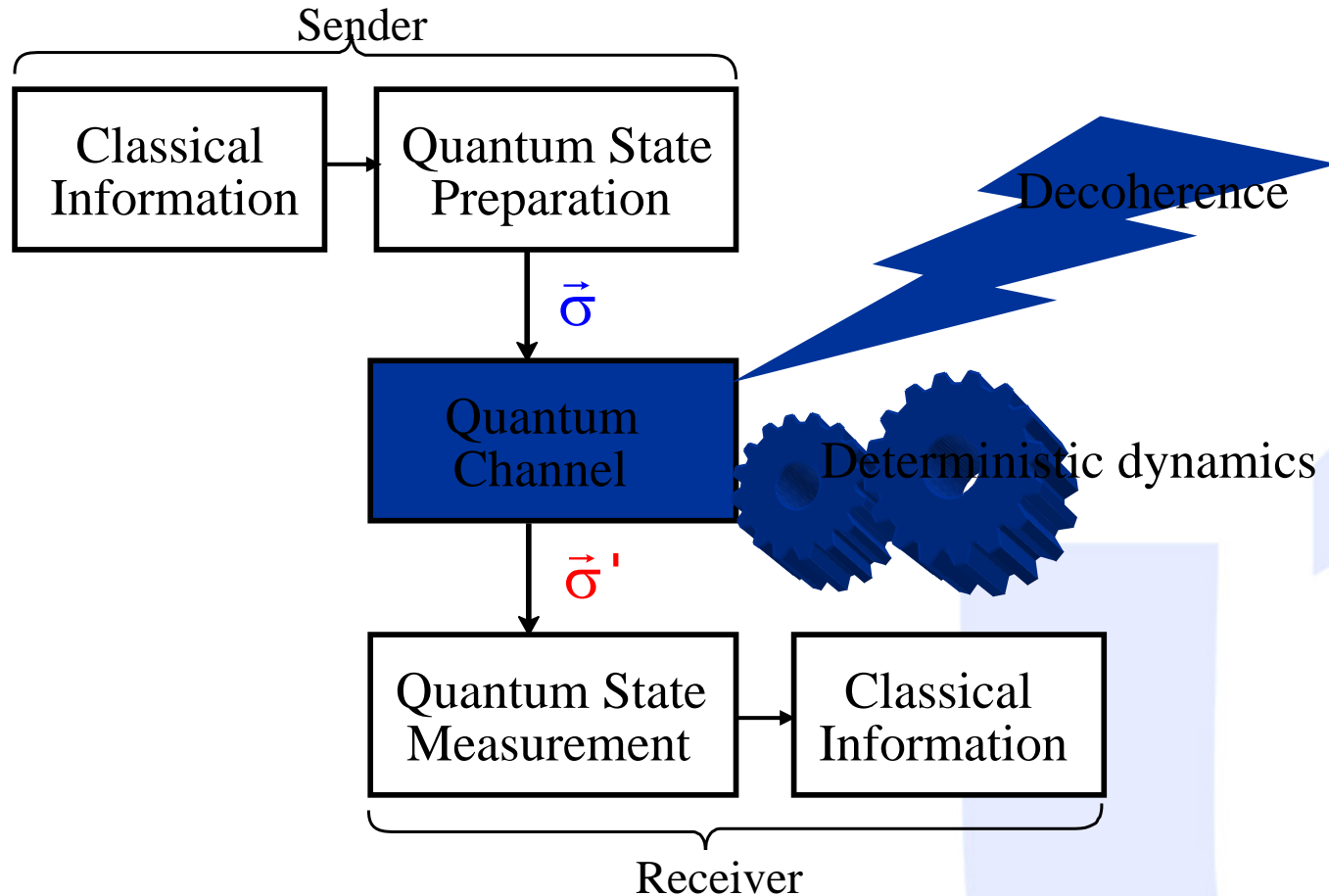


$\langle F \rangle_{\text{Exp}}$	$ \langle \vec{\sigma} \rangle $	$\langle F \rangle_{\text{Theo}} (\langle \vec{\sigma} \rangle)$
$(85.0 \pm 0.6) \%$	$(74.8 \pm 2.1) \%$	$(85.4 \pm 0.7) \%$



Quantum process estimation

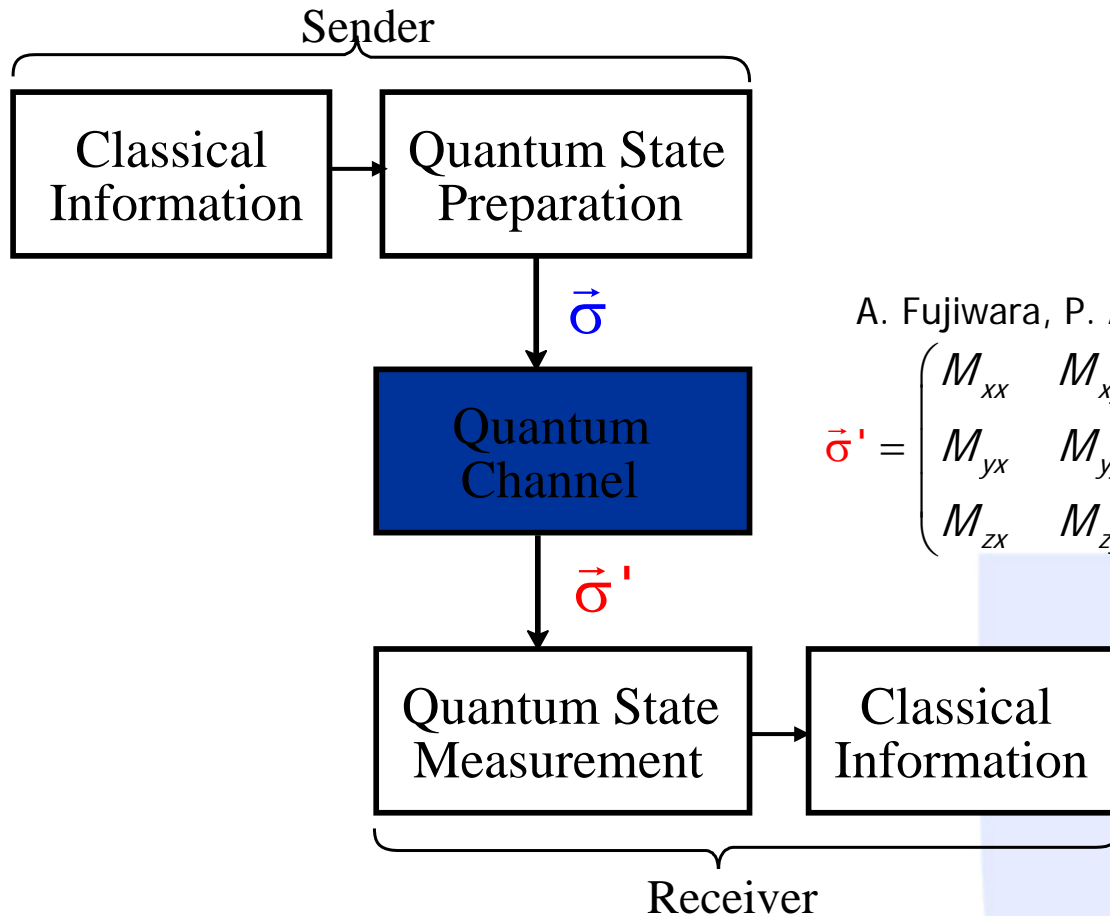
Realization of quantum channels





Quantum process estimation

Realization of quantum channels



A. Fujiwara, P. Algoet, PRA **59**, 3290 (1999):

$$\vec{\sigma}' = \begin{pmatrix} M_{xx} & M_{xy} & M_{xz} \\ M_{yx} & M_{yy} & M_{yz} \\ M_{zx} & M_{zy} & M_{zz} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \vec{\sigma} + \begin{pmatrix} V_x \\ V_y \\ V_z \end{pmatrix}$$



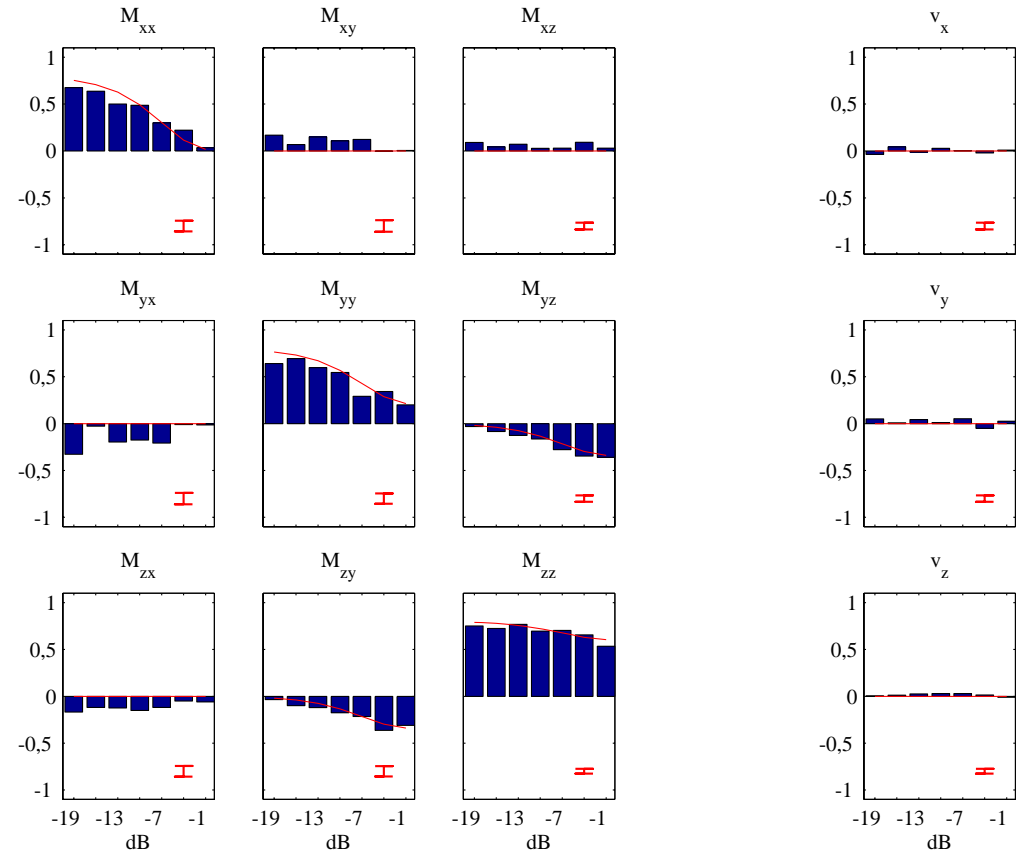
Quantum process estimation

Realization of quantum channels



Phase damping in arbitrary plane. Here $\theta = \pi/6$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1-2\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1-2\lambda\cos^2\theta & -2\lambda\cos\theta\sin\theta \\ 0 & -2\lambda\cos\theta\sin\theta & 1-2\lambda\sin^2\theta \end{pmatrix}$$





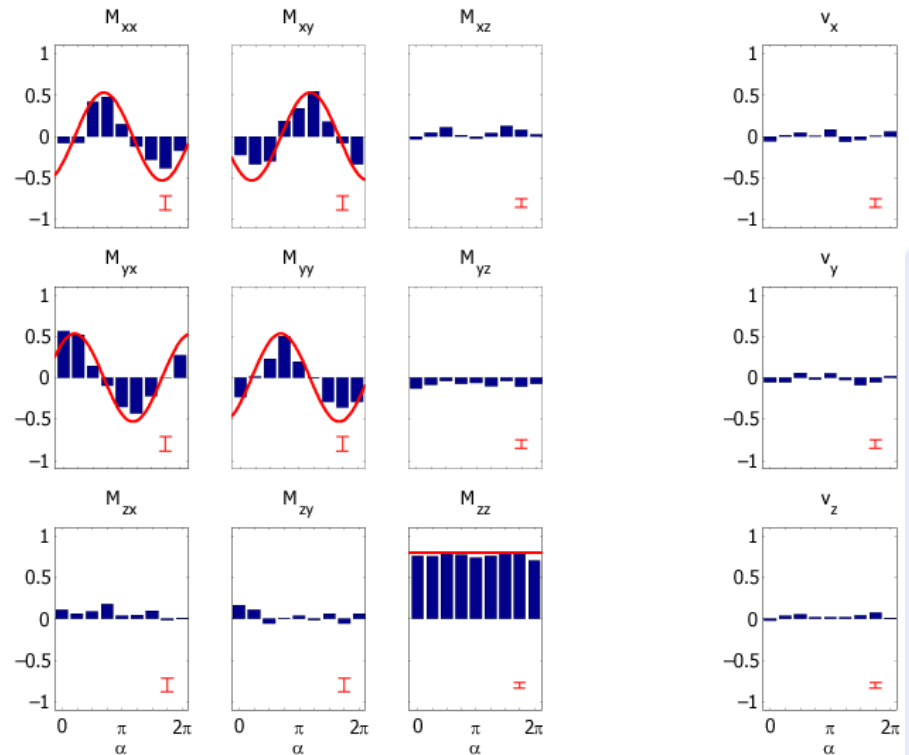
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Fixed phase damping and arbitrary polarization rotation

$$\begin{pmatrix} (1-2\lambda)\cos\alpha & (1-2\lambda)\sin\alpha & 0 \\ -(1-2\lambda)\sin\alpha & (1-2\lambda)\cos\alpha & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

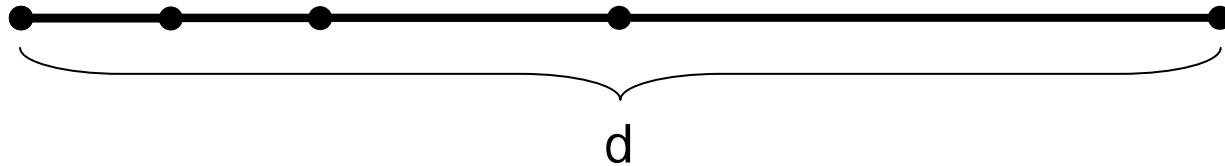




Quantum Zeno Paradox

Introduction

Zeno of Elea: "Motion is not possible"

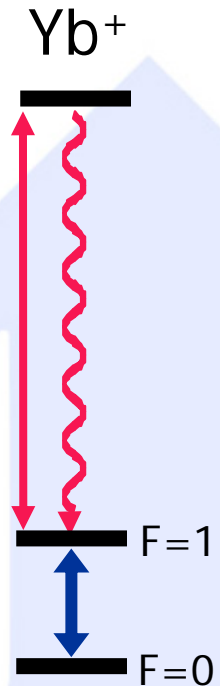
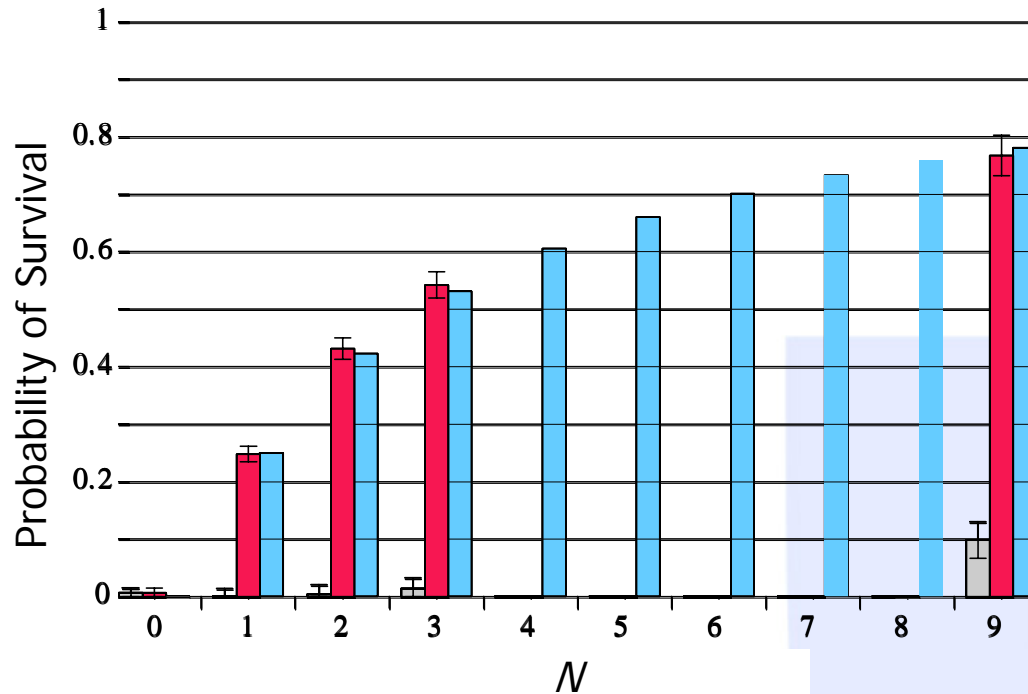
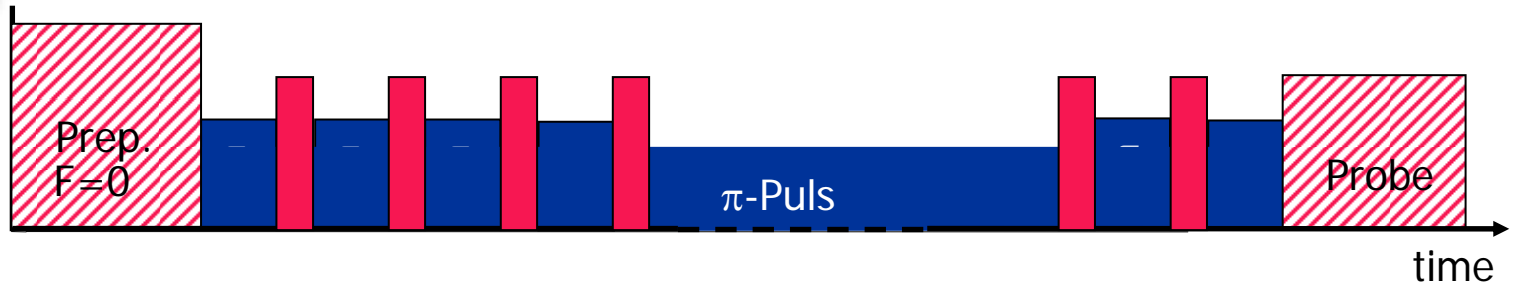


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Quantum Zeno Paradox Experiment

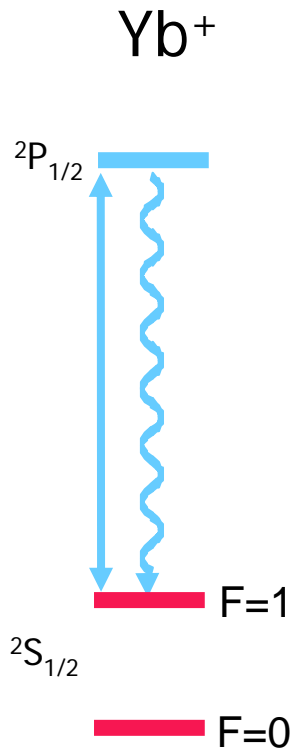


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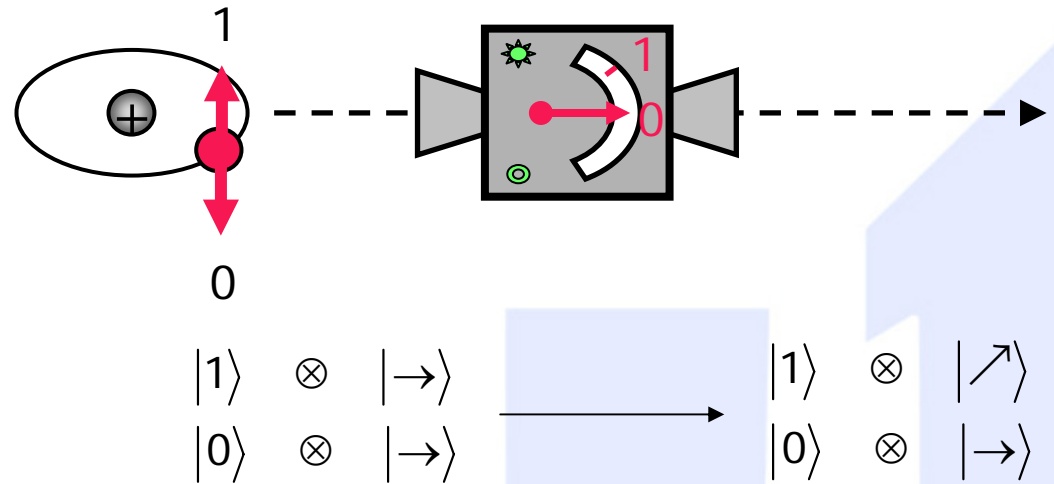


Quantum Zeno Paradox

Experiment



- Correlation measurement apparatus-quantum system.
- Repeated **Null**-Measurements impede dynamics.

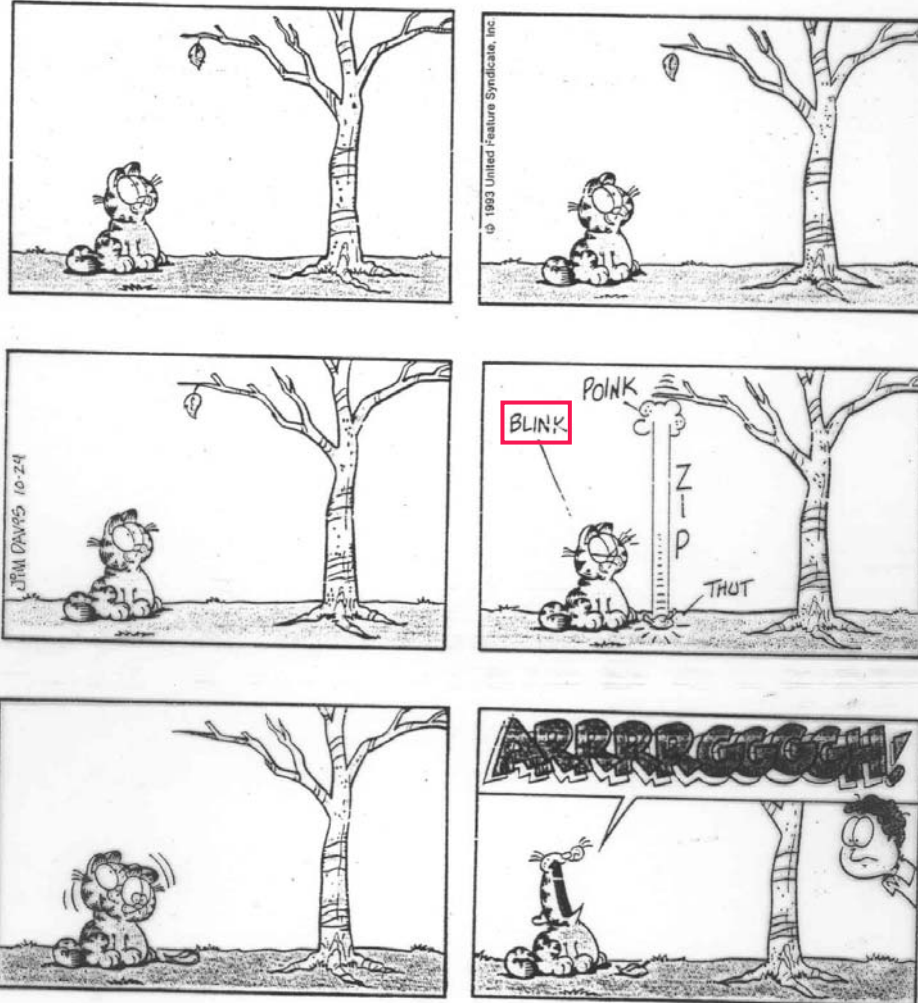


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Quantum Zeno Paradox in every day life

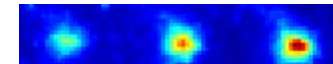
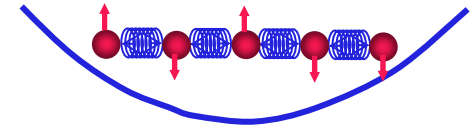




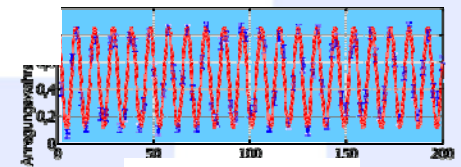
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