

QIPC & Quantum Optics

(quantum information processing with cold atoms)

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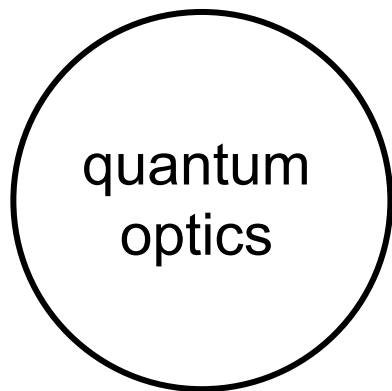


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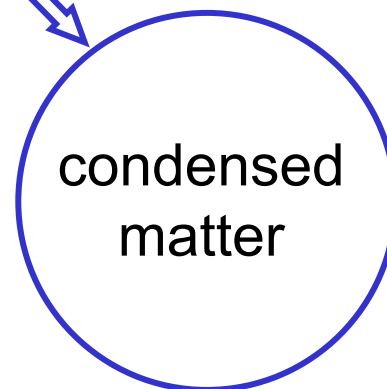
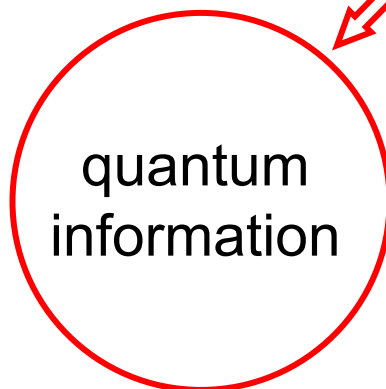
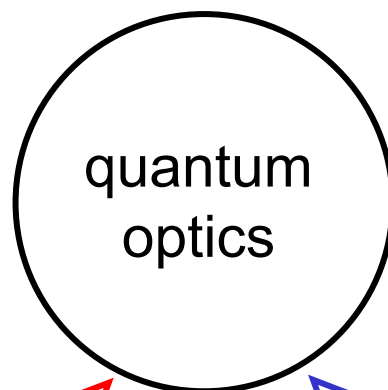
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*Coherent Control of
Quantum Systems*

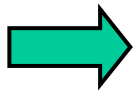
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theory $\longleftrightarrow$ experiment



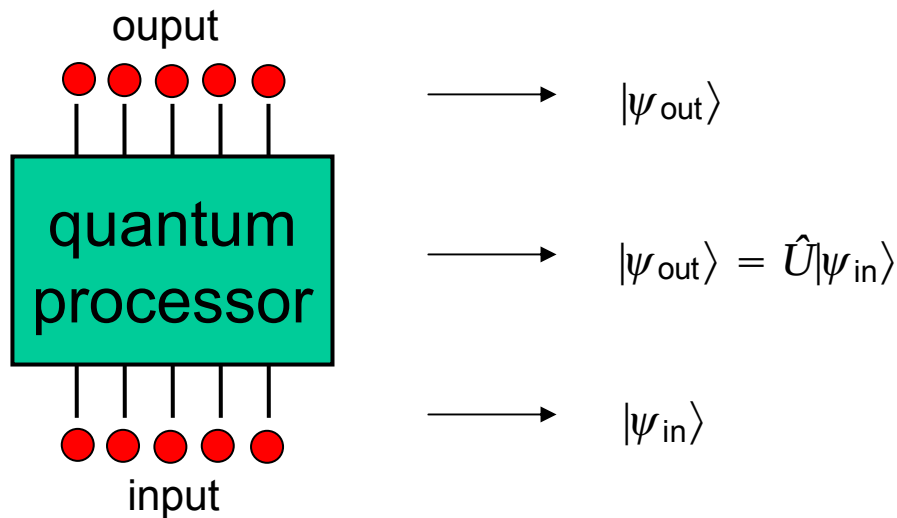
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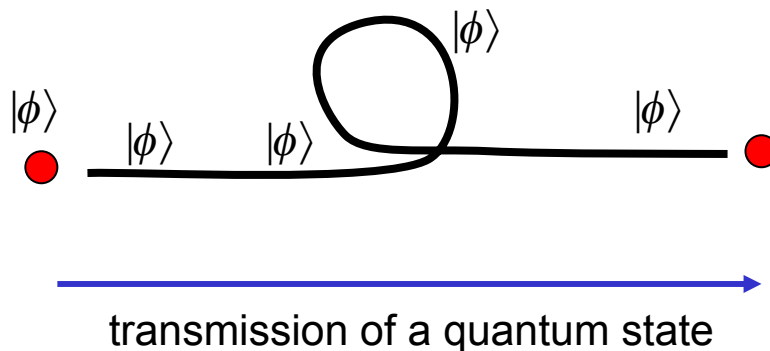
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 - quantum computing, quantum communication etc.
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1.1 Quantum information processing

- quantum computing



- quantum communication



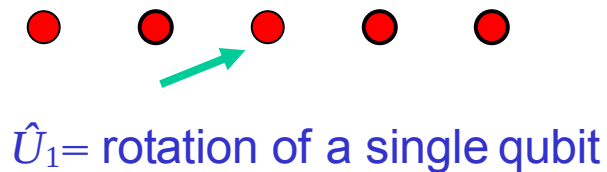
Quantum computing

- quantum memory

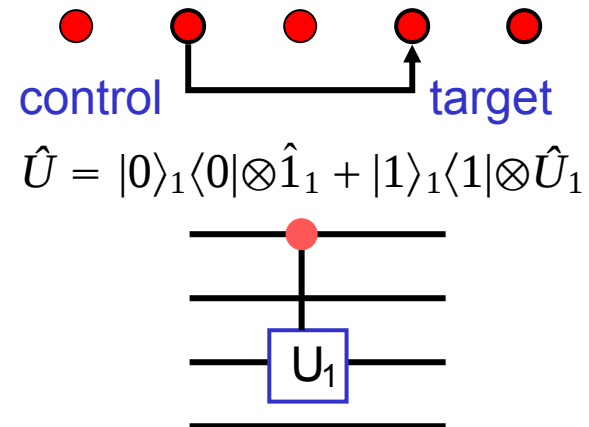


- quantum gates

single qubit gate:



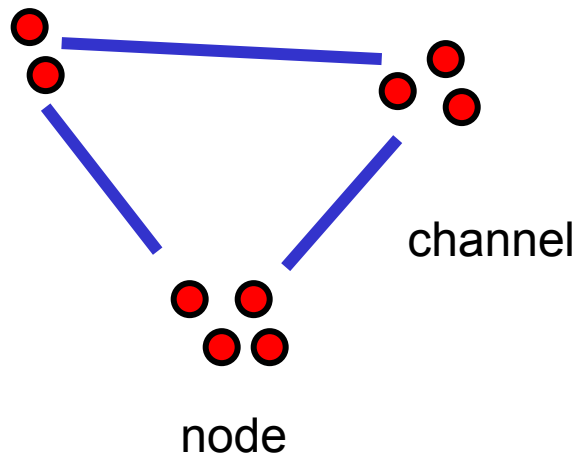
two-qubit gate:



- read out
- [no decoherence]

Our goal ... implement quantum networks

- quantum network



- **Nodes: local quantum computing**
 - store quantum information
 - local quantum processing
 - measurement
- **Channels: quantum communication**
 - transmit quantum information
 - local / distant

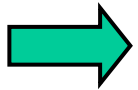
Goals:

- map to physical (quantum optical) system
- map quantum information protocols to physical processes



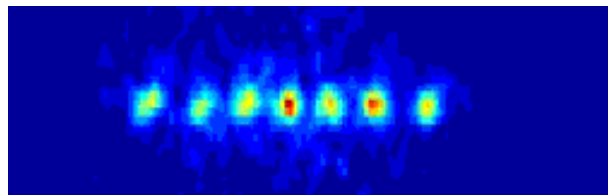
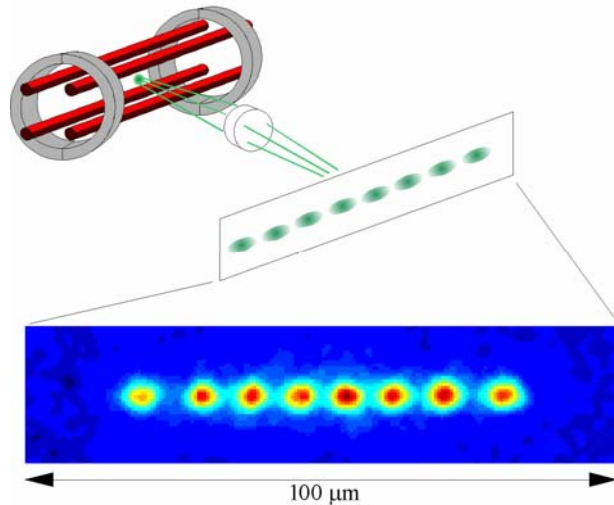
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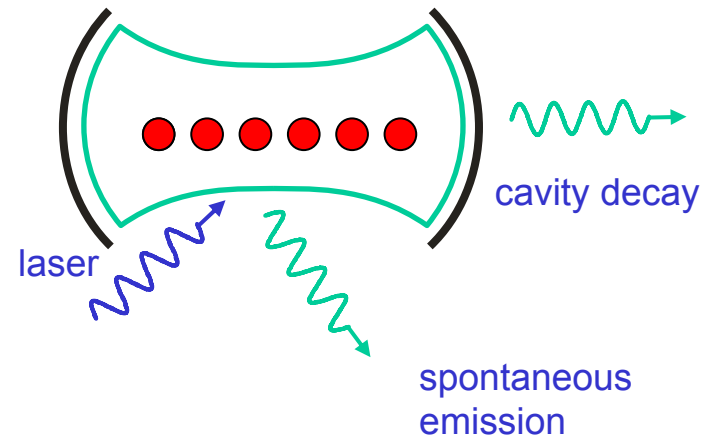
1.2 Zoo of quantum optical systems

- trapped ions



collective modes

- CQED

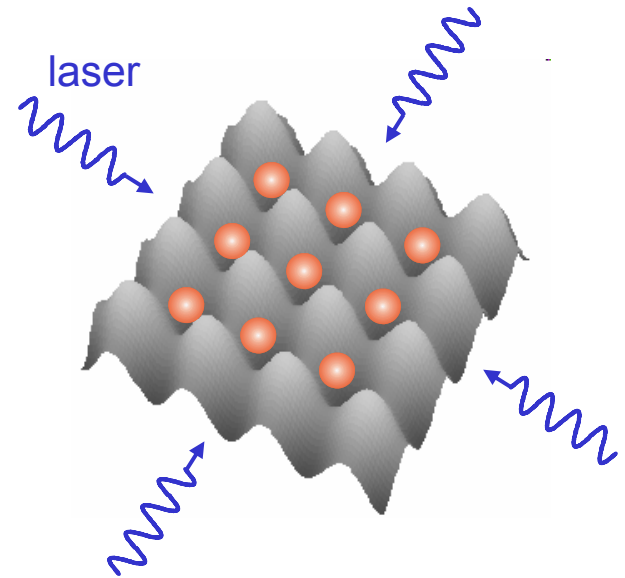


Few particle system with complete quantum control:
spin-1/2s coupled to harmonic oscillator(s)

- quantum state engineering:
quantum computing
- state preparation & measurement

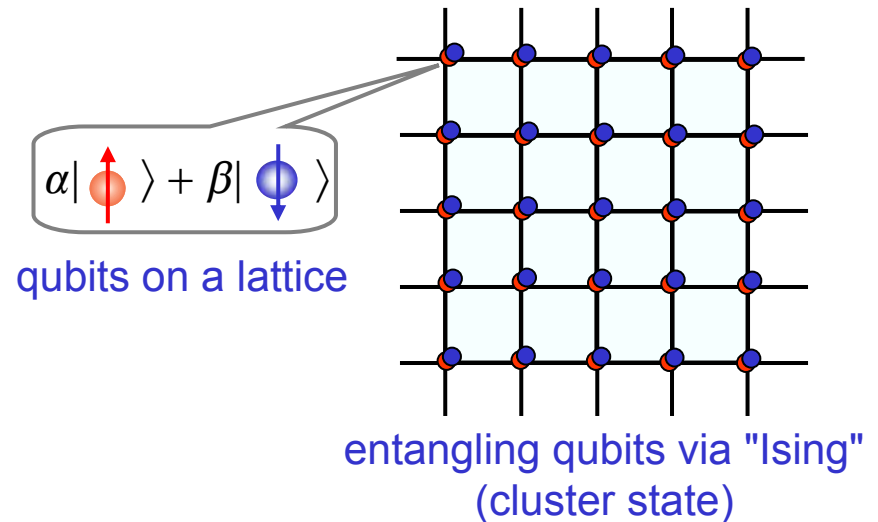
- **from BEC to Hubbard models**
 - strongly correlated systems
 - time dependent, e.g. quantum phase transitions
 - ...
 - exotic quantum phases (?)

optical lattice as a regular array of microtraps for atoms

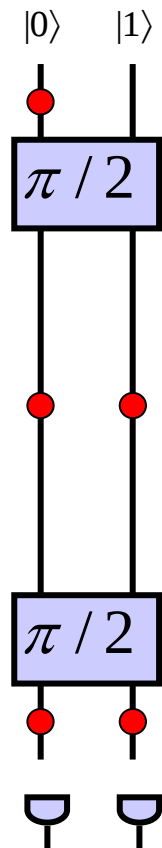


- **quantum information processing**
 - new quantum computing scenarios, e.g. "one way quantum computer"

"quantum simulator"



- ... measurements beyond standard quantum limit



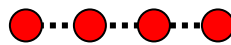
- N independent atoms



$$\Delta\omega_{\text{SQL}} = \frac{1}{T\sqrt{n_{\text{rep}}}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}$$

↑
standard quantum noise limit

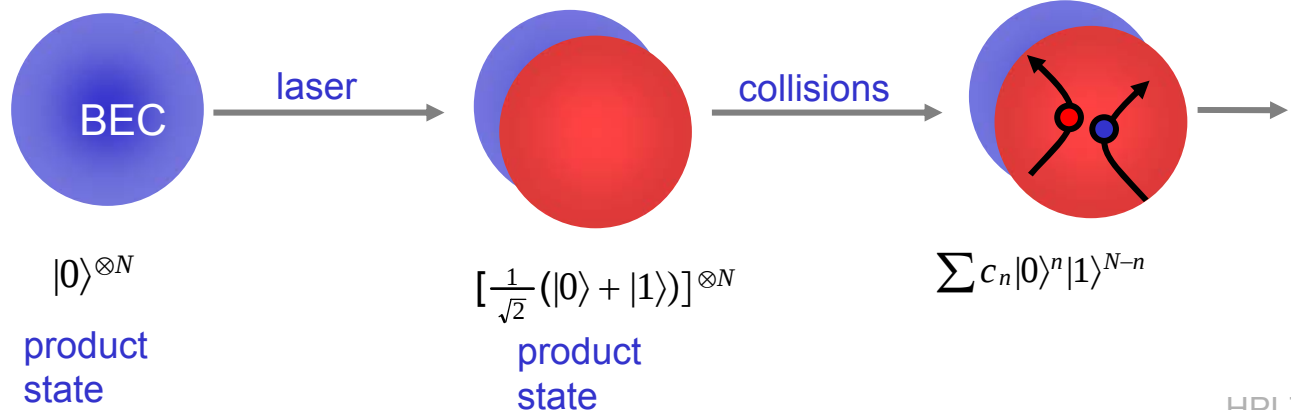
- N entangled atoms

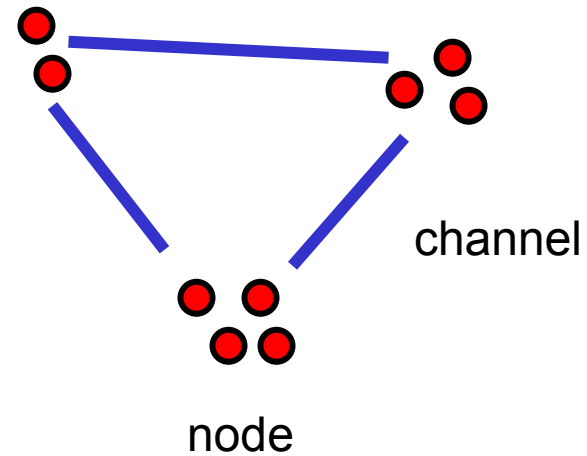


$$\Delta\omega_{\text{ent}} = \frac{1}{T\sqrt{n_{\text{rep}}}} \frac{1}{f(N)} \geq \frac{1}{T\sqrt{n_{\text{rep}}}} \frac{1}{N}$$

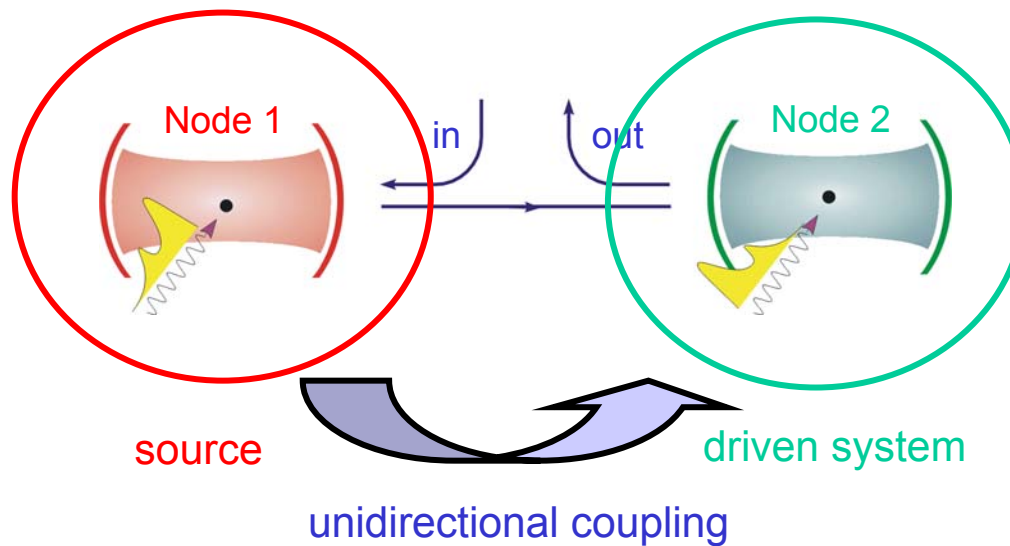
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Heisenberg limit:
maximally entangled state
 $|0000\rangle + |1111\rangle$

- Entanglement via collisions: spin squeezing



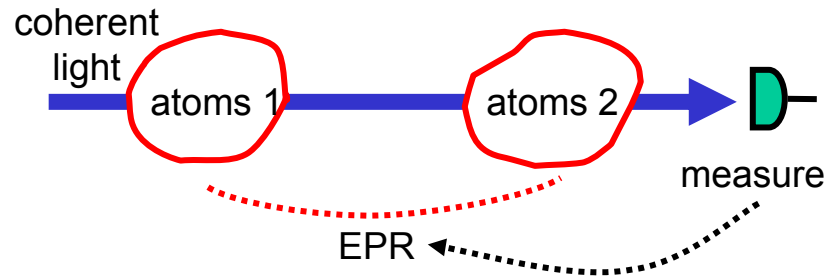


- cascaded quantum system: transmission in a quantum network

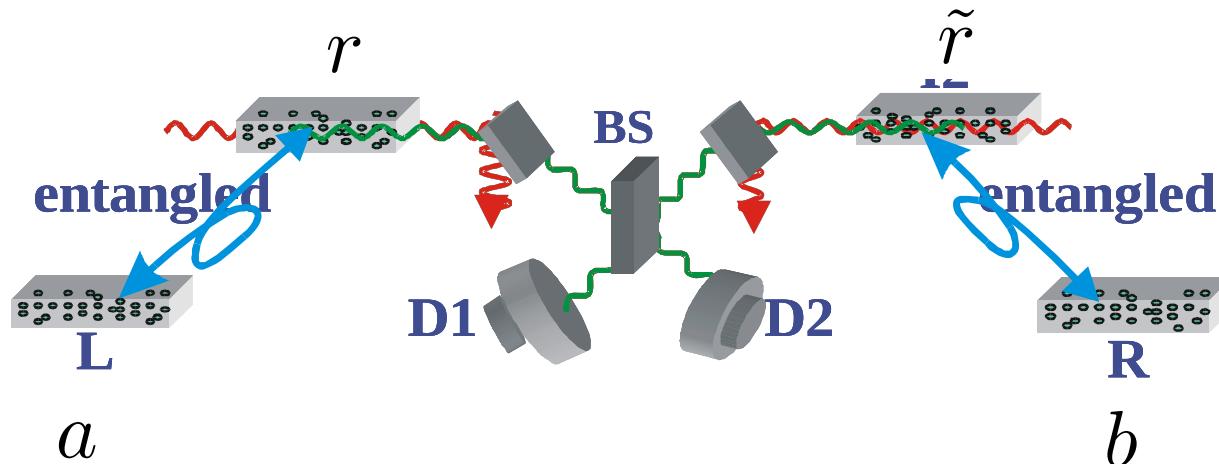


- **atomic ensembles**

atomic / spin squeezing; quantum memory for light;
continuous variable quantum states



quantum repeater: establishing long distance EPR pairs
for quantum cryptography and teleportation



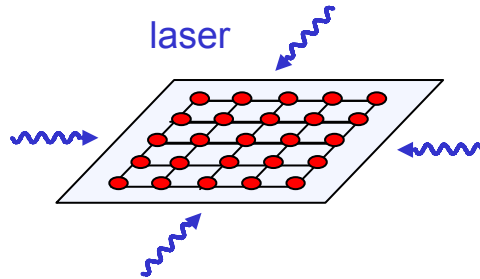
... and what we are working on at the moment

polar molecules ...

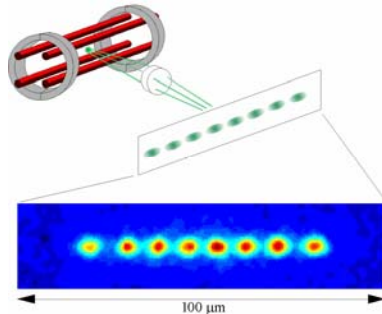
- hybrid quantum optics – solid state processors
 - coupling polar molecules to strip line cavities
- spin lattice models (of interest in topological quantum computing)
 - Kitaev $xx-yy-zz$ on honeycomb lattices
 - Ioffe, Feiguin et al., $xx-zz$ on square lattice

Quantum Optics with Atoms & Ions

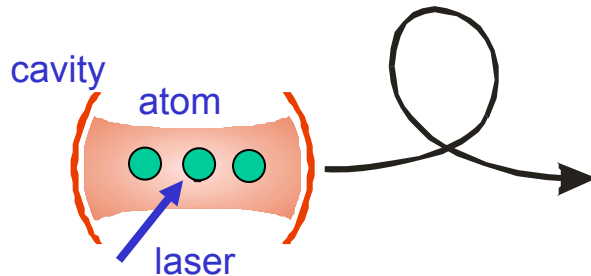
- cold atoms in optical lattices



- trapped ions / crystals of ...

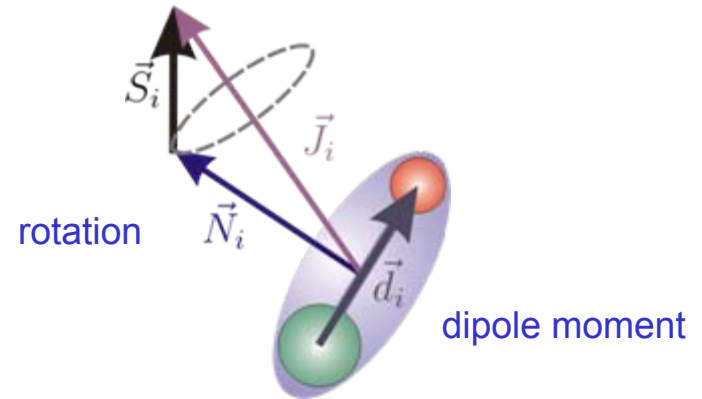


- CQED



- atomic ensembles

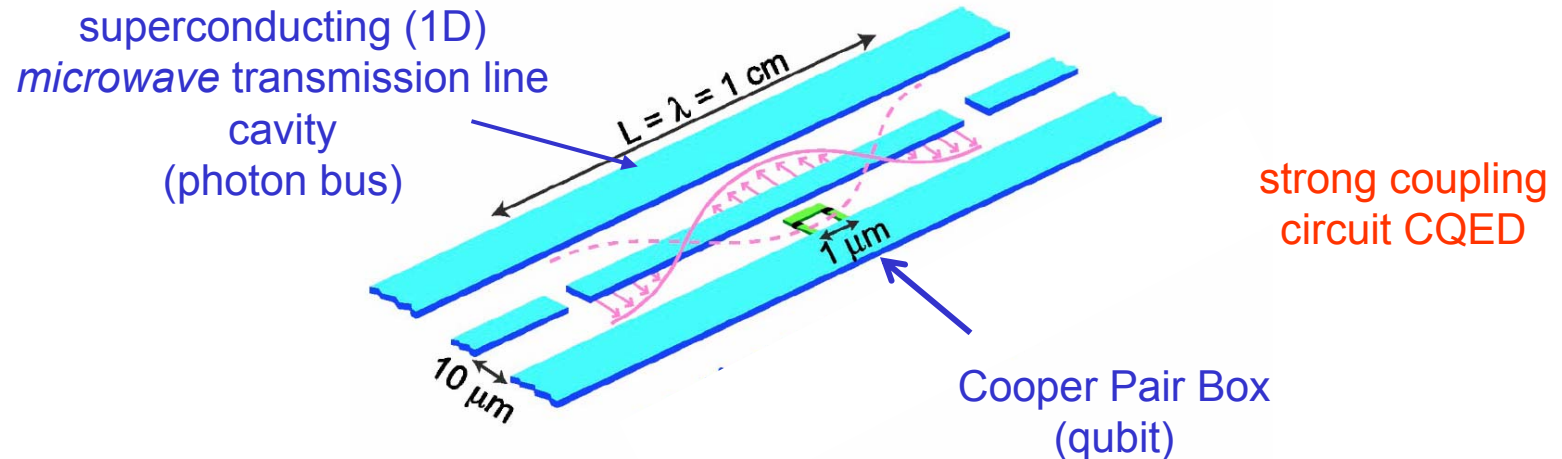
Polar Molecules



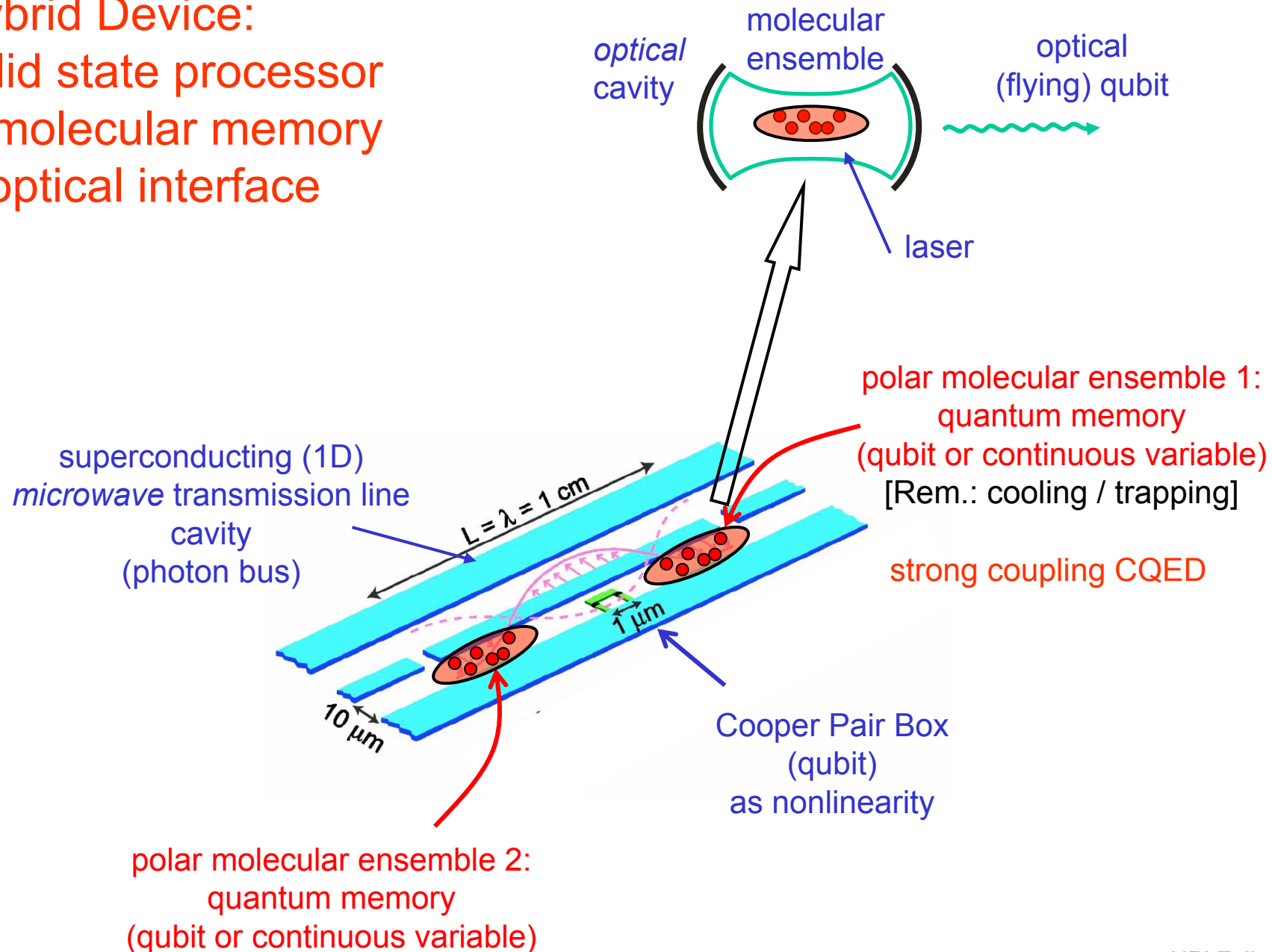
- single molecules / molecular ensembles
- coupling to optical & microwave fields
 - trapping / cooling
 - CQED (strong coupling)
 - spontaneous emission / engineered dissipation
- interfacing solid state / AMO & microwave / optical
 - strong coupling / dissipation
- collisional interactions
 - quantum deg gases / Wigner (?) crystals
 - dephasing

Hybrid Device:
solid state processor
& molecular memory
+ optical interface

R. Schoelkopf, S. Girvin et al. (Yale)

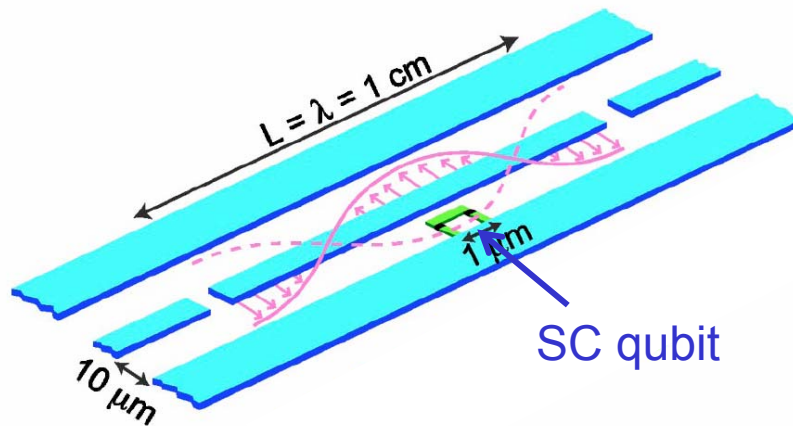


Hybrid Device: solid state processor & molecular memory + optical interface



1. strong CQED with superconducting circuits

- Cavity QED



$$H = \omega_c a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2} \omega_q(t) \sigma_z + g(a \sigma_+ + \text{h.c.})$$

Jaynes-Cummings

parameters:

cavity frequency $\omega_c \sim 2\pi \times 10$ GHz

cavity damping $\kappa \sim 2\pi \times 1 \dots 0.01$ MHz

SC qubit - cavity coupling $g \sim 2\pi \times 30$ MHz

SC qubit damping $\Gamma \sim 2\pi \times 1$ MHz

good cavity

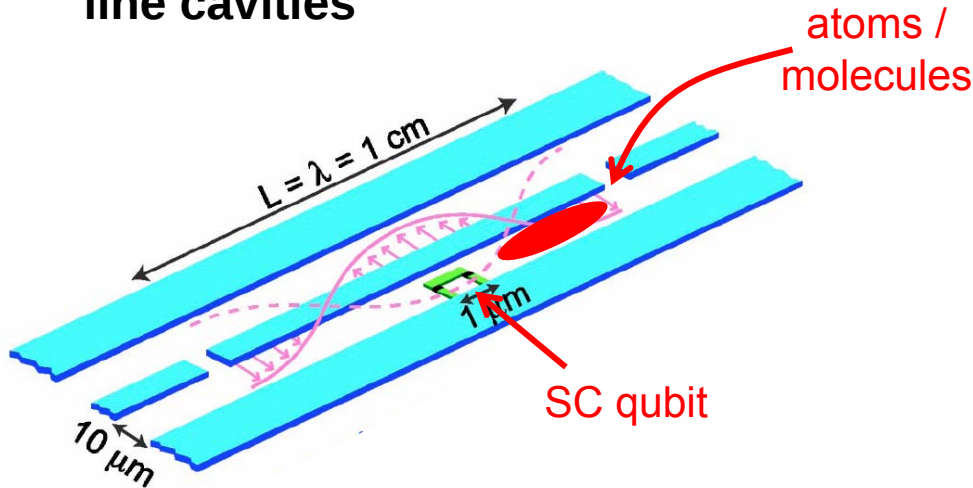
strong coupling!
(mode volume $V/\lambda^3 \approx 10^{-5}$)

“not so great” qubits

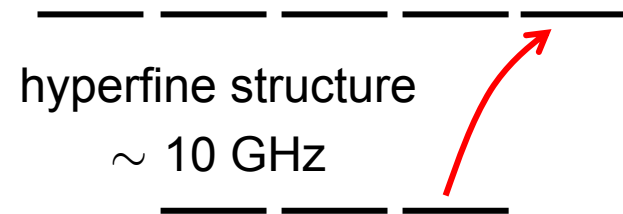
- [... similar results expected for coupling to quantum dots (Delft)]
- [compare with CQED with atoms in optical and microwave regime]

2. ... coupling atoms or molecules

- superconducting transmission line cavities



- hyperfine excitation of BEC / atomic ensemble



$$g \sim 2\pi \times 80 \text{ Hz} \sqrt{\# \text{atoms}}$$

- rotational excitation of polar molecule(s)



$$g \sim 2\pi \times 10 \text{ KHz} \sqrt{\# \text{molecules}}$$

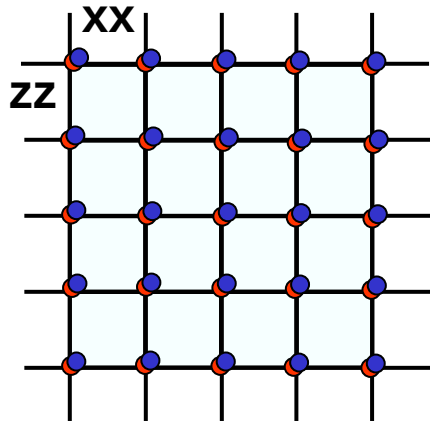
$$\sim 2\pi \times 1 \dots 10 \text{ MHz} \text{ ensemble } \text{😊}$$

Polar Molecules in an Optical Lattice: Lattice Spin Models

- polar molecules on optical lattices provide a complete toolbox to realize general lattice spin models *in a natural way*

Examples:

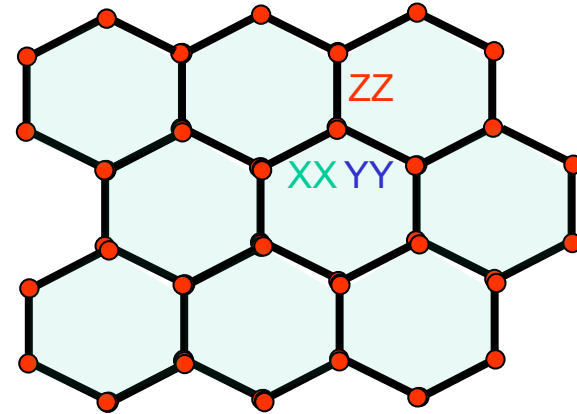
Duocot, Feiguin, Ioffe et al.



$$H_{\text{spin}}^{(\text{I})} = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell-1} \sum_{j=1}^{\ell-1} J(\sigma_{i,j}^z \sigma_{i,j+1}^z + \cos \zeta \sigma_{i,j}^x \sigma_{i+1,j}^x)$$

protected quantum memory:
degenerate ground states as qubits

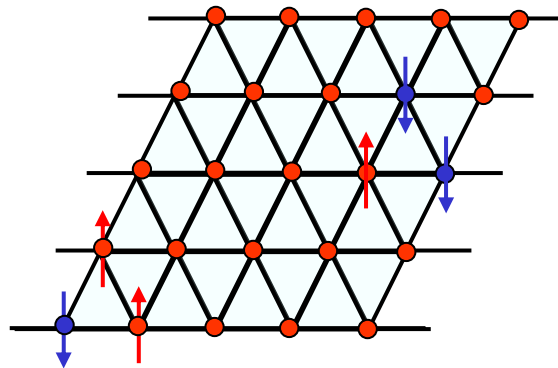
Kitaev



$$H_{\text{spin}}^{(\text{II})} = J_{\perp} \sum_{x\text{-links}} \sigma_j^x \sigma_k^x + J_{\perp} \sum_{y\text{-links}} \sigma_j^y \sigma_k^y + J_z \sum_{z\text{-links}} \sigma_j^z \sigma_k^z$$

(Wigner-) Crystals with Polar Molecules

- “Wigner crystals” in 1D and 2D ($1/R^3$ repulsion – for $R > R_0$)



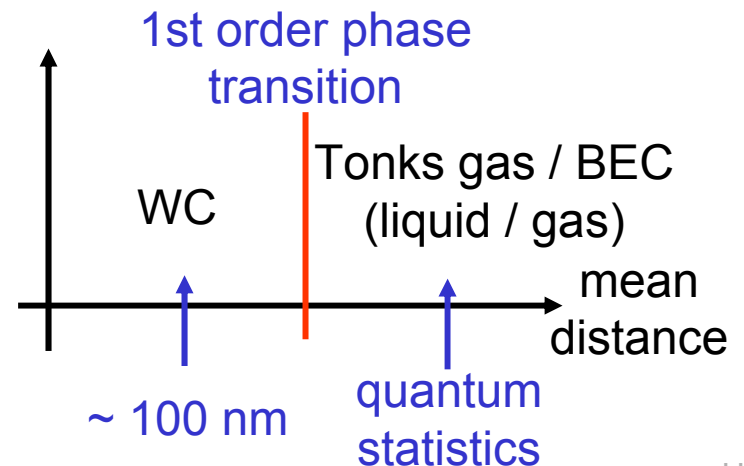
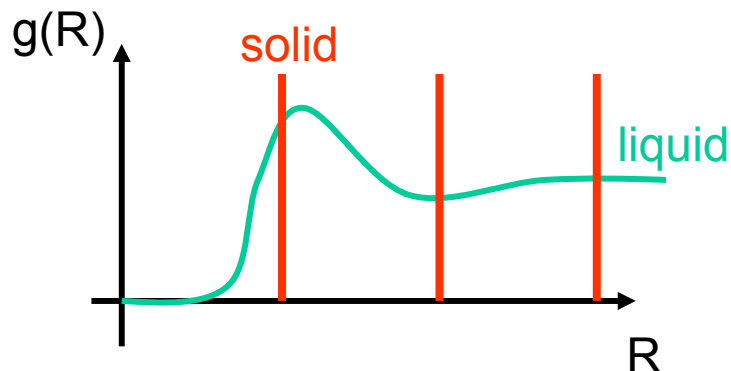
2D triangular lattice
(Abrikosov lattice)

$$\gamma = \frac{\text{potential energy}}{\text{kinetic energy}} = \frac{d^2/R^3}{\hbar^2/2MR^2} \sim \frac{1}{R} \sim n^{1/3}$$

dipole-dipole: crystal for *high* density

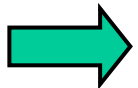
$$\gamma = \frac{e^2/R}{\hbar^2/2MR^2} \sim R$$

Coulomb: WC for *low* density (ions)



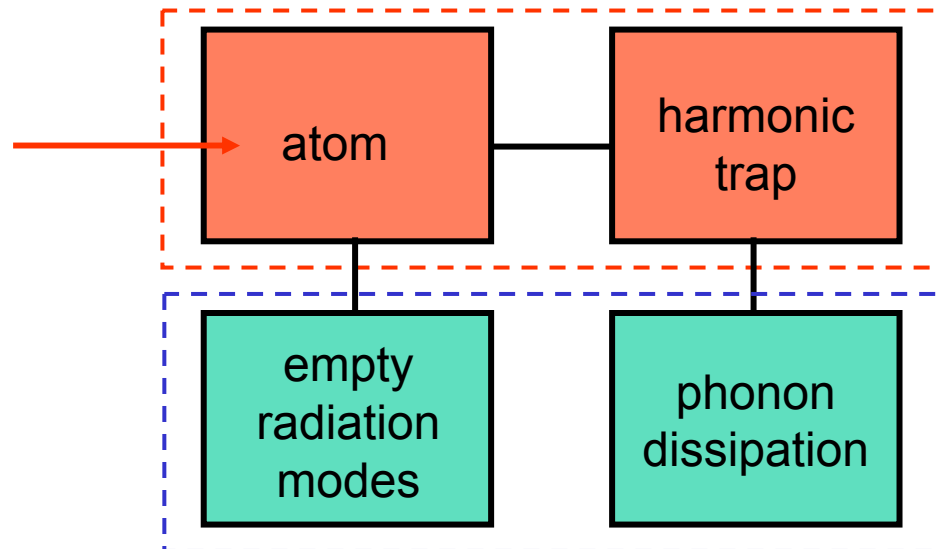
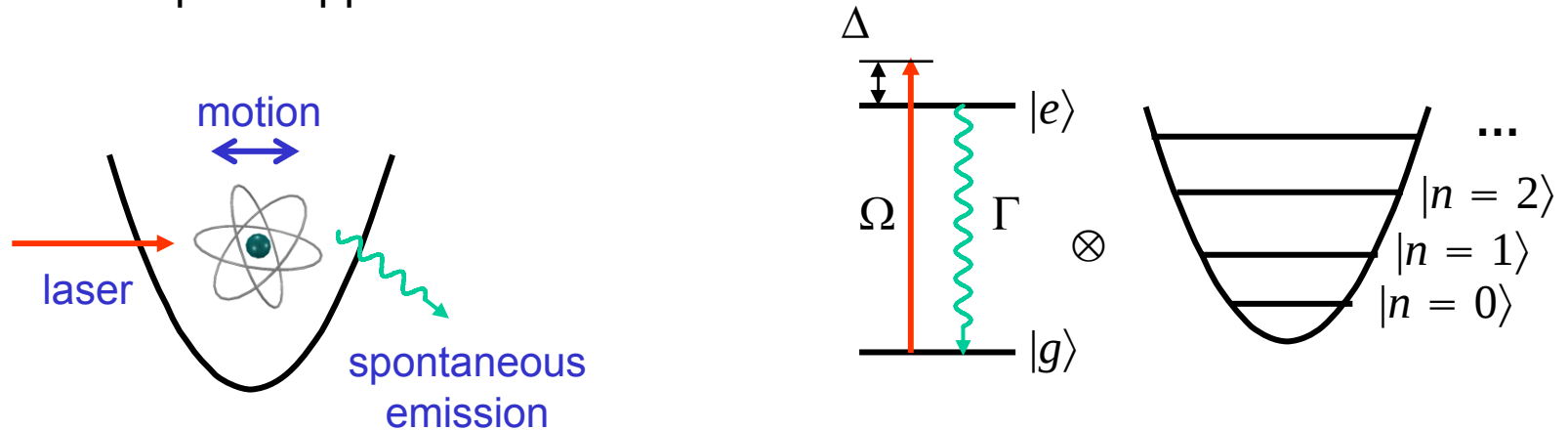
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1.3 Quantum optical systems as *open* quantum systems

- example: trapped ion

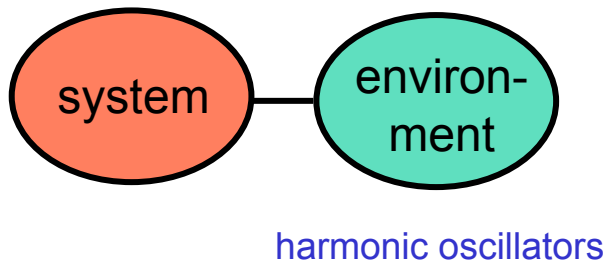


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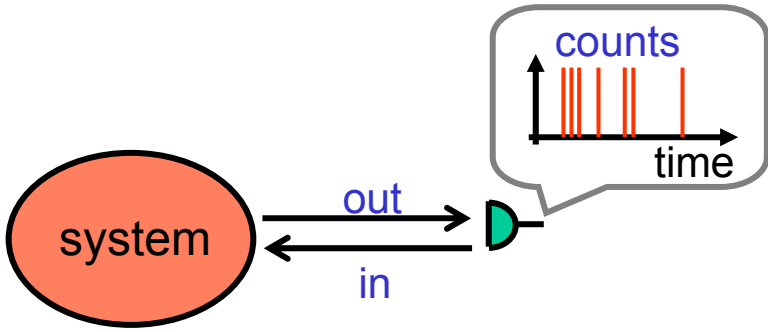
Quantum Information

- Open quantum system



✓ master equation

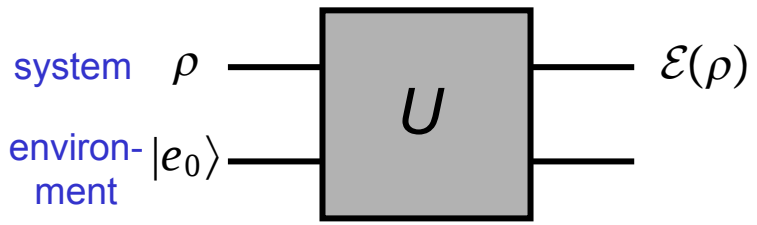
- Continuous observation



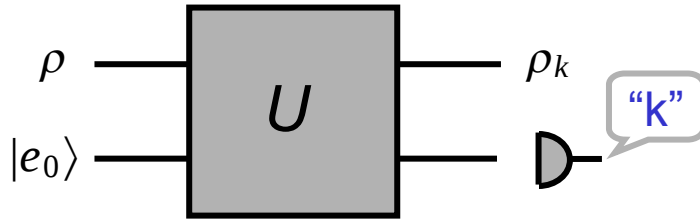
✓ Stochastic Schrödinger Equation

“Quantum Markov processes”

- Quantum operations

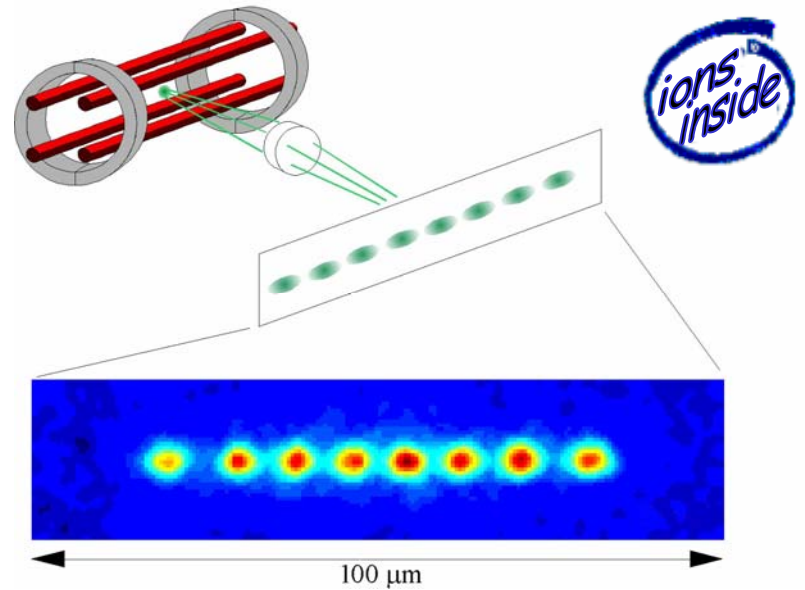


$$\rho \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(\rho) = \sum_k E_k \rho E_k^\dagger$$



Summary: what the lectures are about ...

- Theoretical modelling of quantum optical systems
 - how to describe theoretically trapped atoms and ions in various traps, CQED, atomic ensembles etc.
- Quantum state engineering / QPIC with qo systems
 - how to perform gate operations
- Preparation & Measurement in qo systems
 - state preparation and read out
 - decoherence
 - from quantum operations to stochastic Schrödinger equations, continuous measurement and all that

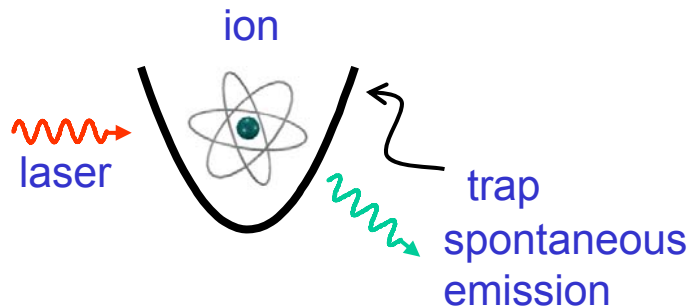


Quantum Computing with Trapped Ions

- basics: quantum optics of single ions & many ions
 - develop toolbox for quantum state engineering
- 2-qubit gates
 - from first 1995 gate proposals and realizations
 - ... geometric and „best“ coherent control gates
- spin models

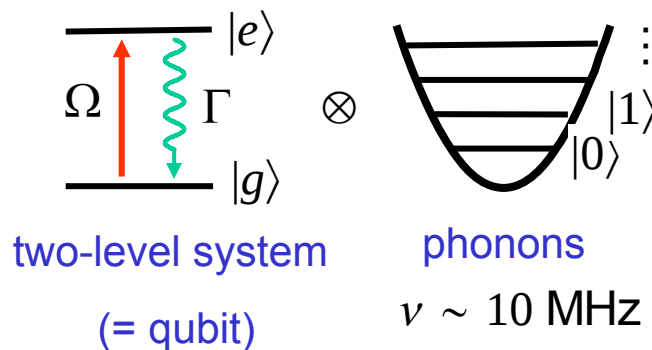
1. A single trapped ion

- a single laser driven trapped ion



- ✓ system: atom + motion in trap:
goal: quantum engineering
- ✓ [open quantum system]

- system: two-level atom + harmonic oscillator



$$H = H_{0T} + H_{0A} + H_1$$

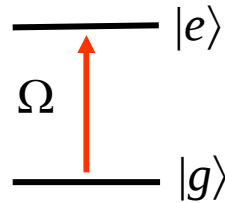
trap $H_{0T} = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2M} + \frac{1}{2}M\nu^2\hat{X}^2 \equiv \hbar\nu(a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2})$

atom $H_{0A} = -\hbar\Delta|e\rangle\langle e|$

laser $H_1 = -\frac{1}{2}\hbar\Omega e^{ik_L\hat{X}}|e\rangle\langle g| + \text{h.c.}$

$$H = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2M} + \frac{1}{2}M\nu^2\hat{X}^2 + \hbar\omega_{eg}|e\rangle\langle e| - \hbar\left(\frac{1}{2}\Omega e^{ik\hat{x}-i\omega t}|e\rangle\langle g| + \text{h.c.}\right)$$

- laser absorption & recoil



$$|g\rangle|\text{motion}\rangle \rightarrow |e\rangle e^{ik_L \hat{X}} |\text{motion}\rangle$$

photon recoil kick

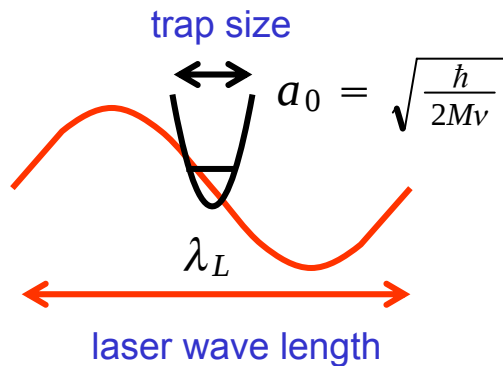
interaction $H_1 = -\frac{1}{2}\hbar\Omega e^{ik_L \hat{X}} |e\rangle\langle g| + \text{h.c.}$



laser photon recoil:

couples internal dynamics and center-of-mass

- Lamb-Dicke limit



Lamb-Dicke expansion

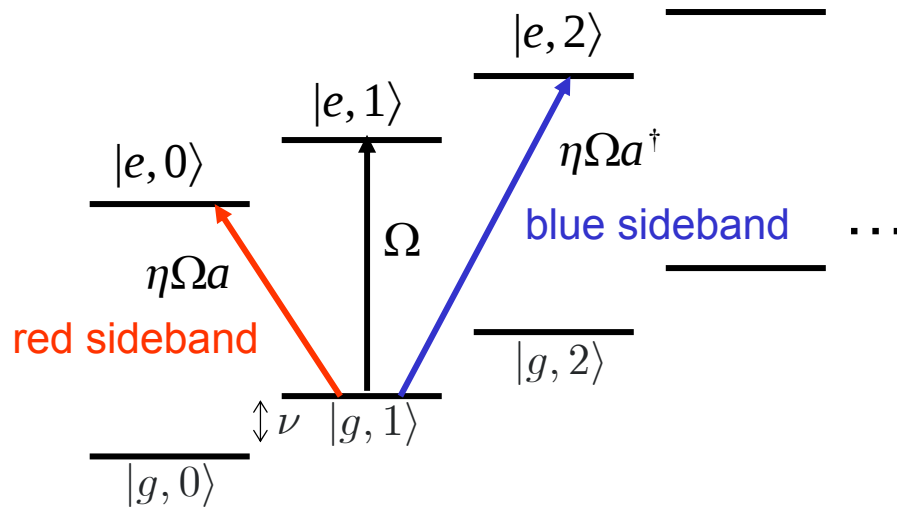
$$\begin{aligned} e^{ik_L \hat{X}} &= e^{i\eta(a+a^\dagger)} \\ &= 1 + i\eta(a+a^\dagger) + \dots \end{aligned}$$


 $\eta = 2\pi \frac{a_0}{\lambda_L} \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_R}{\hbar v}} \sim 0.1$

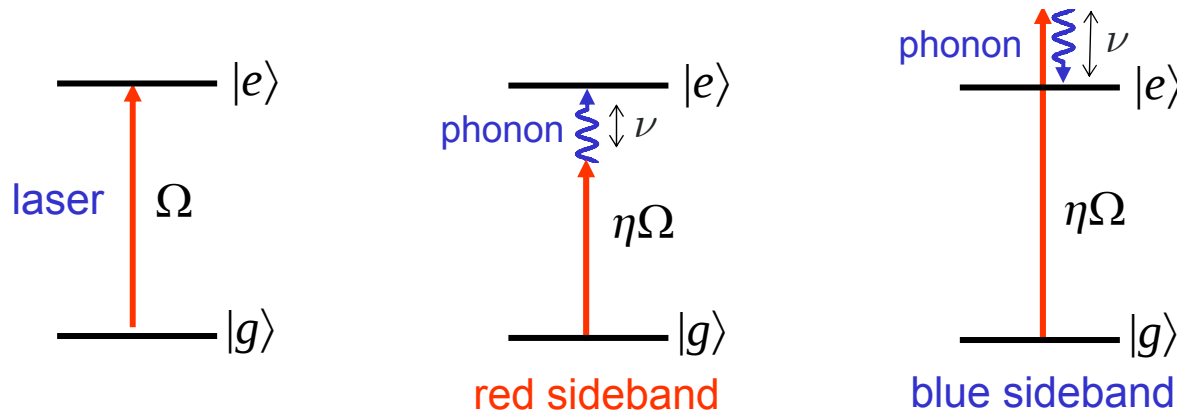
- spectroscopy: atom + trap

laser interaction

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2}\Omega e^{ik_L\hat{X}}|e\rangle\langle g| &= \frac{1}{2}\Omega|e\rangle\langle g| \\ &+ i\frac{1}{2}\Omega\eta a|e\rangle\langle g| \\ &+ i\frac{1}{2}\Omega\eta a^\dagger|e\rangle\langle g| \\ &+ \dots \end{aligned}$$

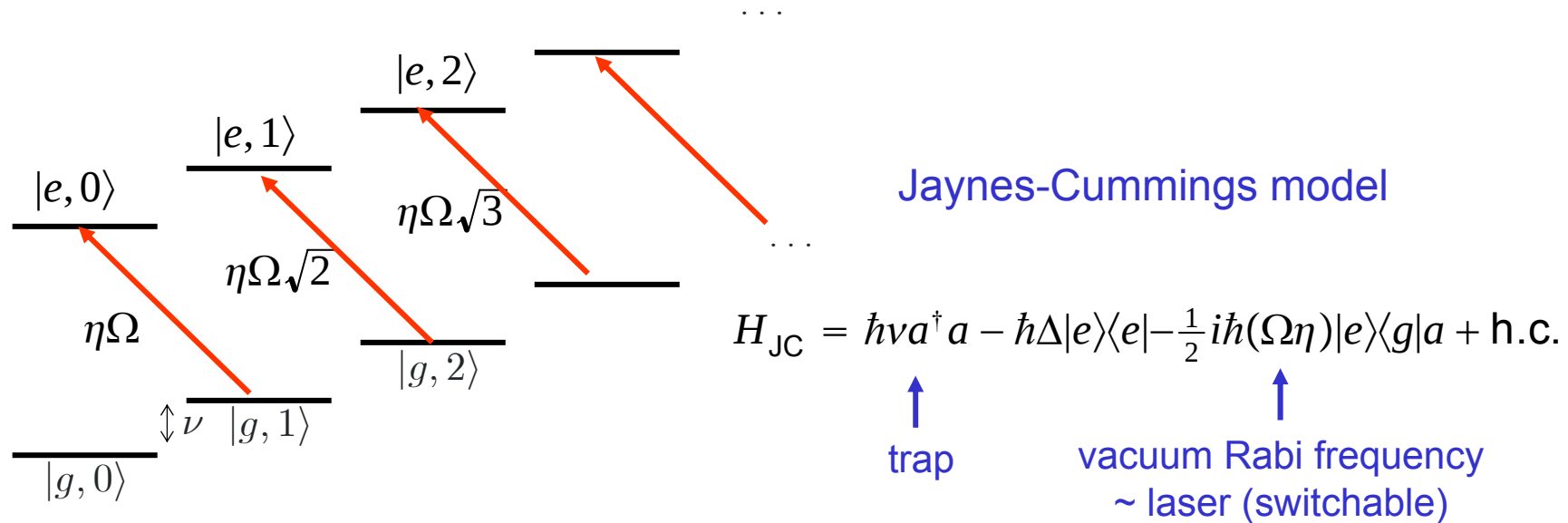


- processes: "Hamiltonian toolbox for phonon-state engineering"

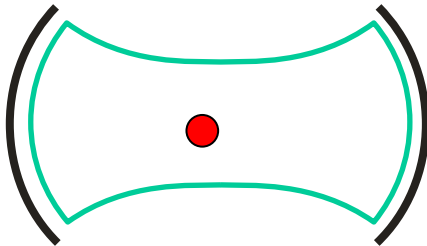


laser assisted phonon absorption and emission

- example: "laser tuned to red sideband"



- Remark: CQED



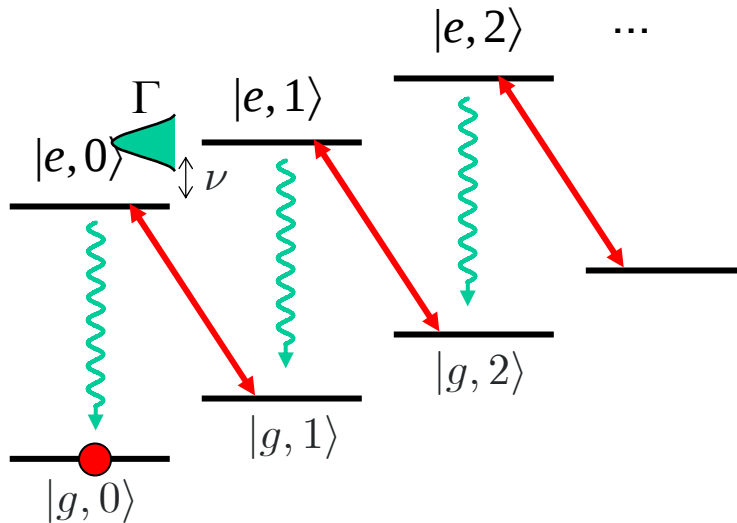
$$H_{\text{JC}} = \nu a^\dagger a + \omega_{eg}|e\rangle\langle e| - ig|e\rangle\langle g|a + \text{h.c.}$$

Labels below the Hamiltonian terms:

- $\nu a^\dagger a$: optical
- $-ig|e\rangle\langle g|a$: vacuum Rabi frequency

[Dissipation: spontaneous emission]

- sideband cooling... as optical pumping to the ground state



preparation of pure states

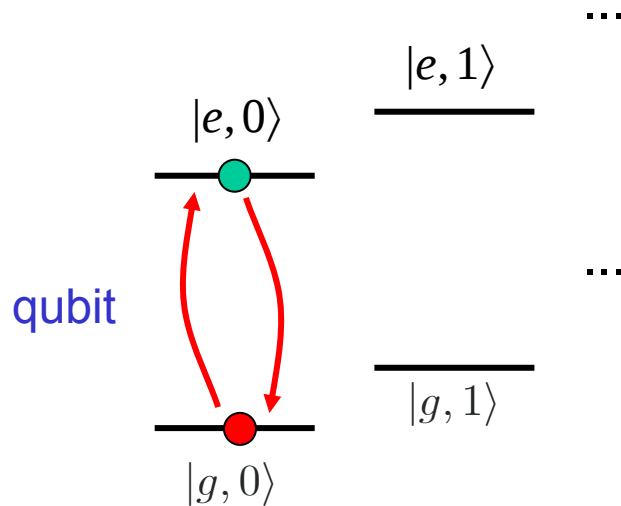
$$\rho_{\text{atom}} \otimes \rho_{\text{motion}} \rightarrow |g\rangle\langle g| \otimes |0\rangle\langle 0|$$

- measurement of internal states: quantum jumps ...

qubit read out

Excercises in quantum state engineering

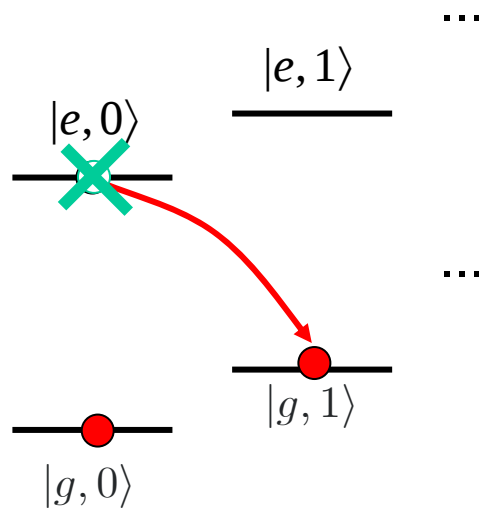
- **Example 1:** single qubit rotation



$$(\alpha|g\rangle + \beta|e\rangle) \otimes |0\rangle \xrightarrow{U_1} (\alpha'|g\rangle + \beta'|e\rangle) \otimes |0\rangle$$

(1) we can rotate the qubit without touching the phonon state

- **Example 2:** swapping the qubit to the phonon mode



$$(\alpha|g\rangle + \beta|e\rangle) \otimes |0\rangle \rightarrow |g\rangle \otimes (\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle)$$

ion qubit phonon qubit

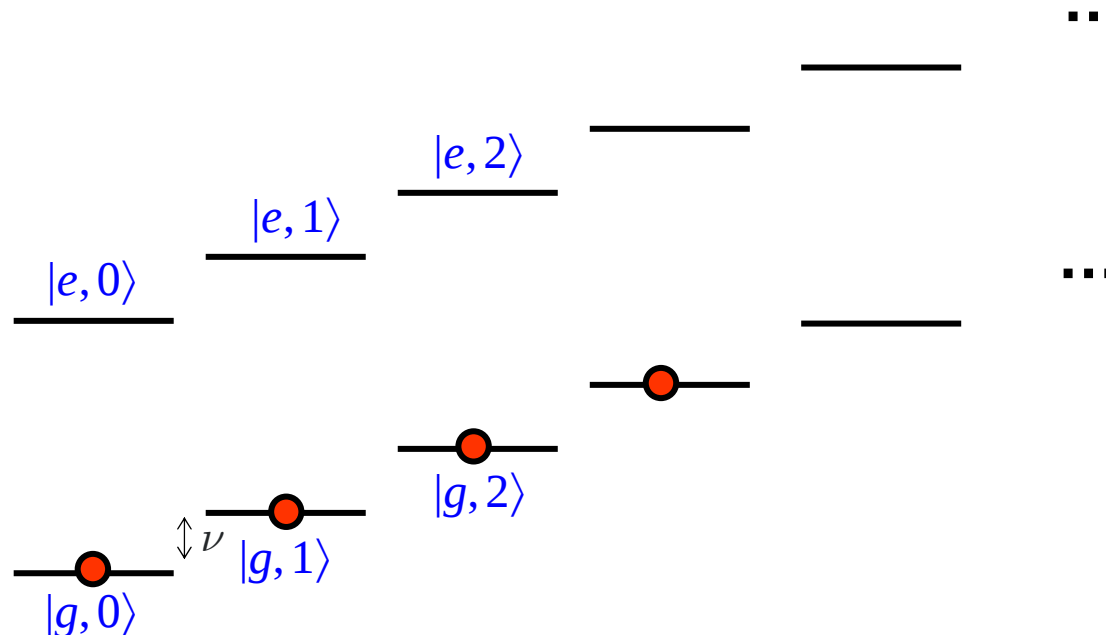
(2) Using a laser pulse we can swap qubits stored in ions to the phonon modes (and vice versa)

- **Example 3:** engineering arbitrary phonon superposition states

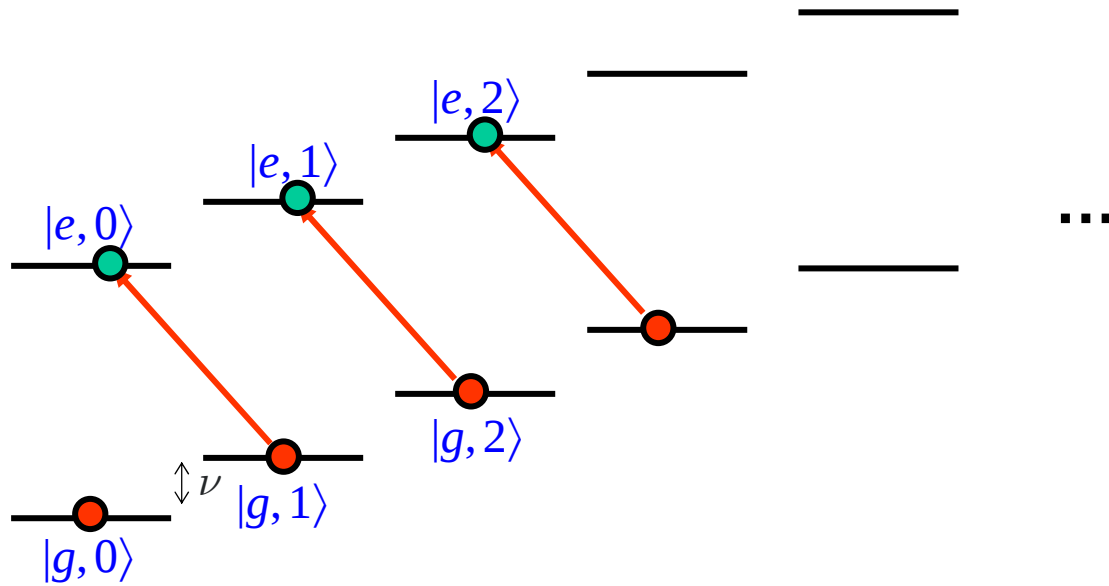
$$|g\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \xrightarrow{U} |\Psi\rangle = |g\rangle \otimes \sum_{n=0}^N c_n |n\rangle$$

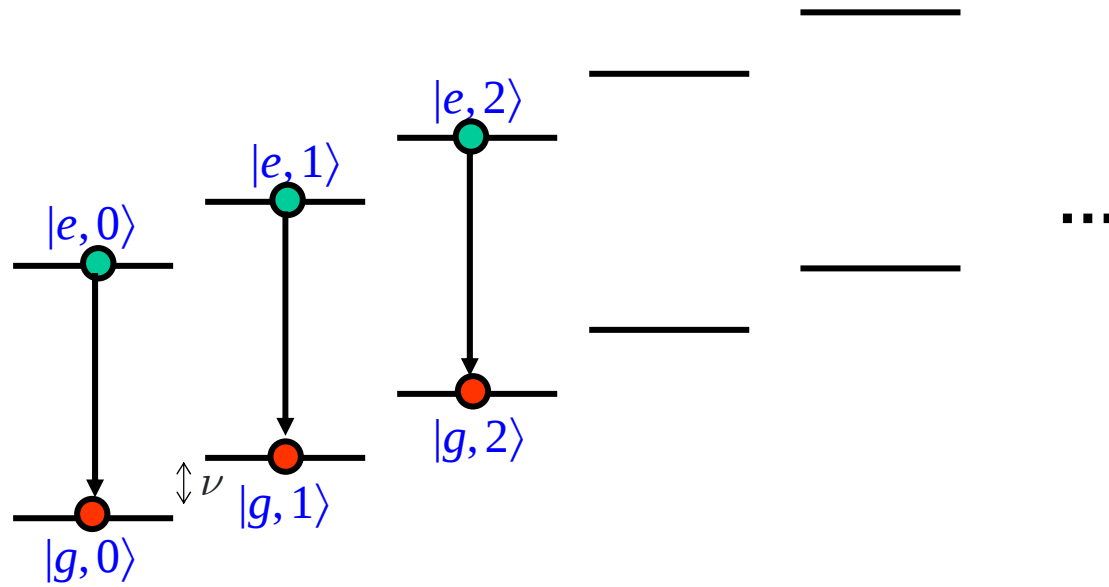
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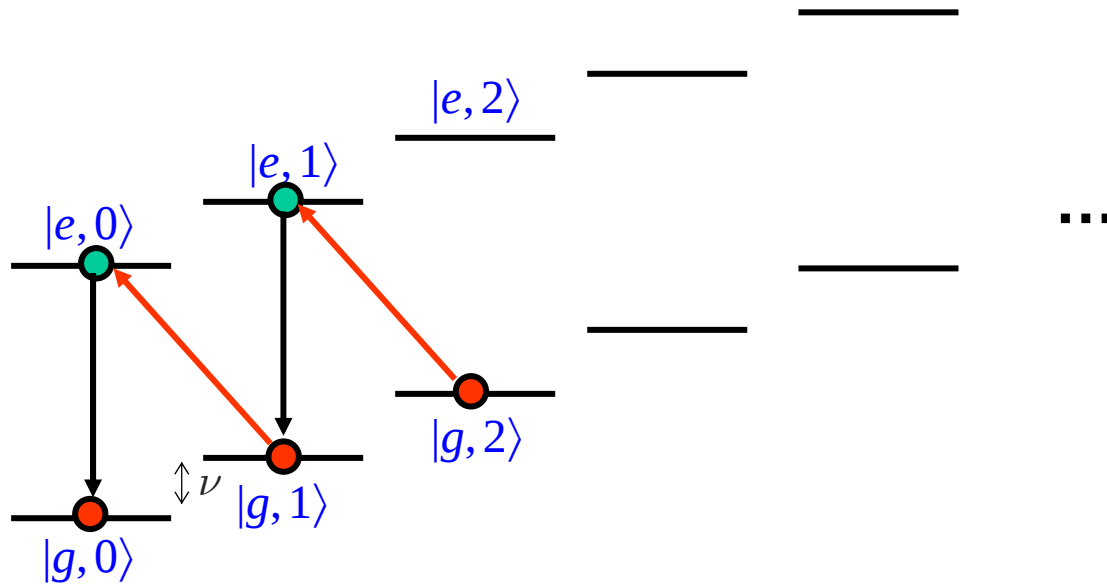
- ✓ Fock states
- ✓ squeezed & coherent states
- ✓ Schrödinger cat states
- ✓ ...



- Idea: we will look for the inverse U which transforms $|\Psi\rangle$ to $|g\rangle \otimes \sum_{n=0}^{n_{\max}} c_n |n\rangle$

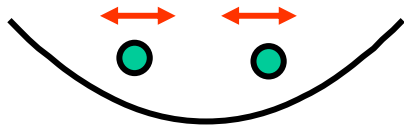






2. Many Ions

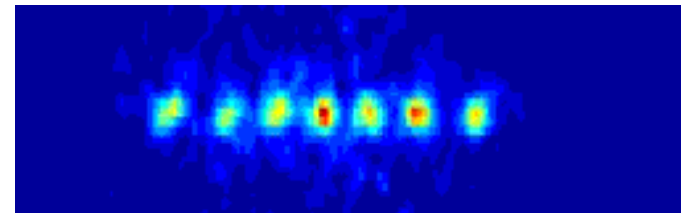
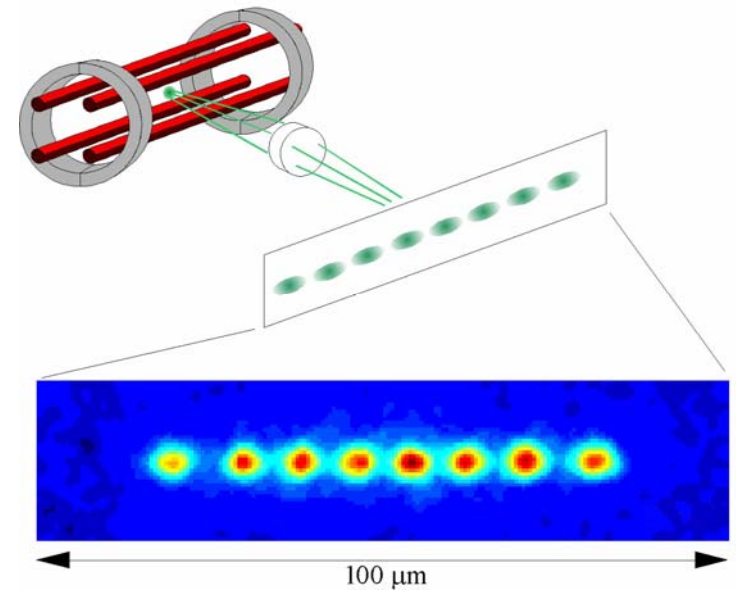
- 2 ions & collective phonon modes



stretch mode  $v_r = \sqrt{3} v_c$

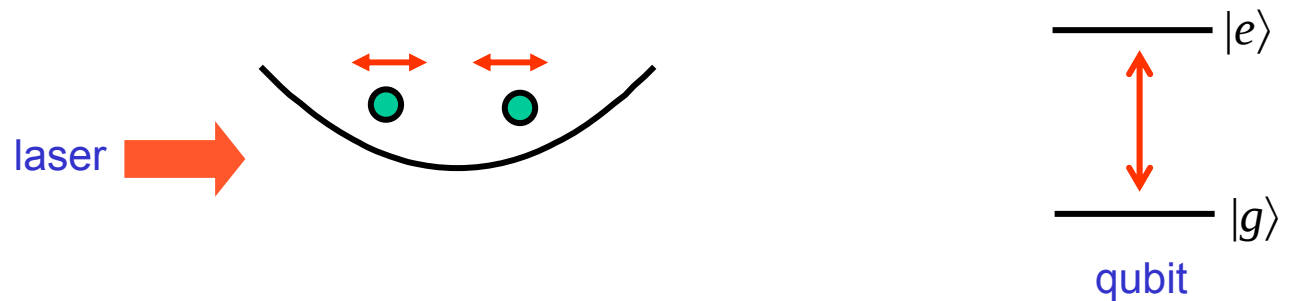
center-of-mass  $v_c = v$

- example: classical ion motion



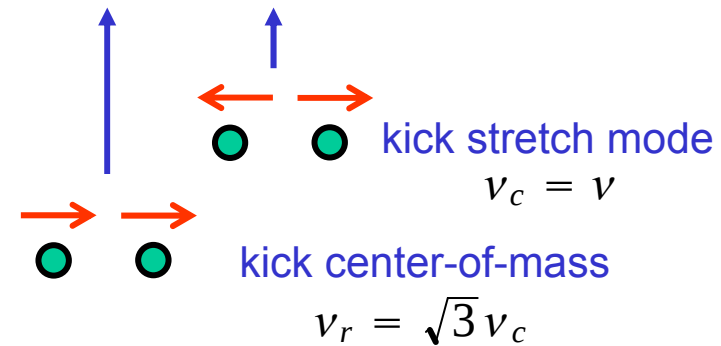
(3) We can swap a qubit to a *collective* mode via laser pulse

- **Example:** 2 ions in a 1D trap kicked by laser light



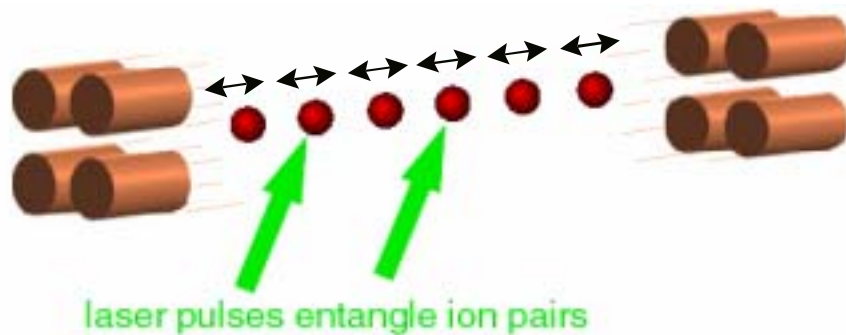
$$H = \nu_c a^\dagger a + \nu_r b^\dagger b$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \Omega(t) \sigma_1^+ e^{i\eta_c(a^\dagger + a) + \frac{1}{2} \eta_r(b^\dagger + b)} + \frac{1}{2} \Omega(t) \sigma_2^+ e^{i\eta_c(a^\dagger + a) - \frac{1}{2} \eta_r(b^\dagger + b)} + \text{h.c.}$$



Ion Trap Quantum Computer '95

- Cold ions in a linear trap



Qubits: **internal atomic states**

1-qubit gates: **addressing ions with a laser**

2-qubit gates: **entanglement via exchange of phonons of quantized collective mode**

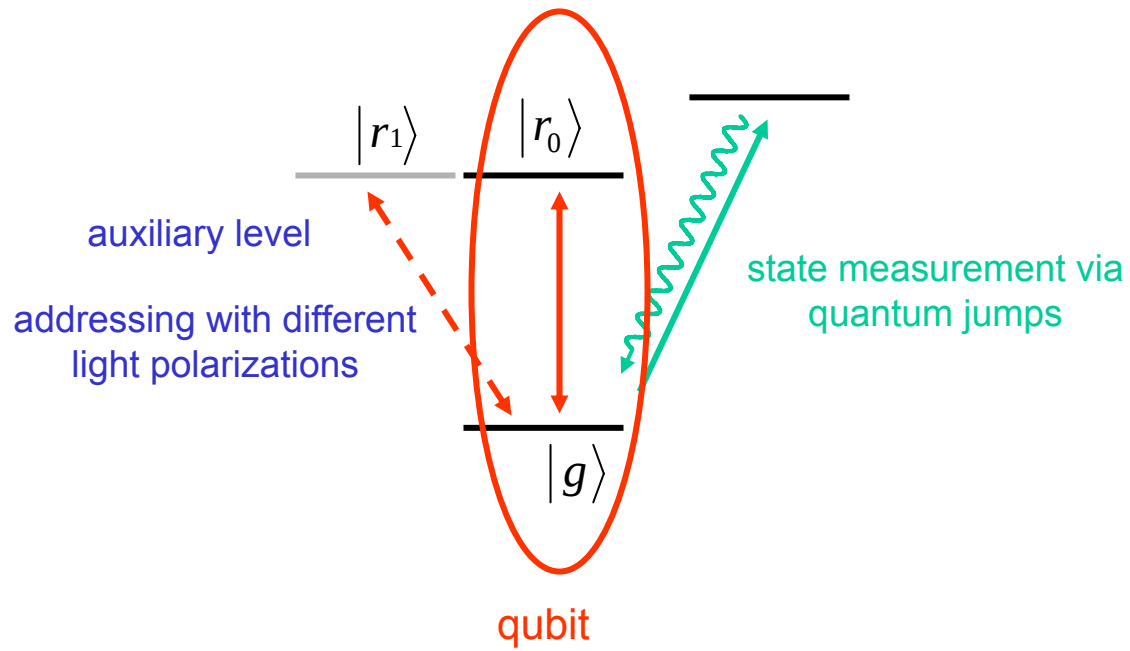
- State vector

$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum c_x |x_{N-1}, \dots, x_0\rangle_{\text{atom}} |0\rangle_{\text{phonon}}$$

quantum register databus

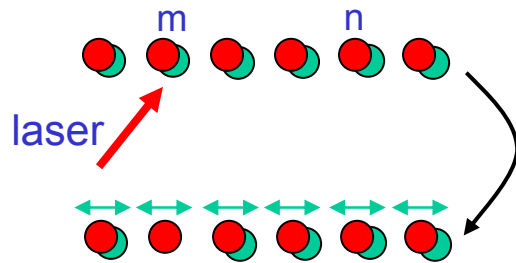
- QC as a time sequence of laser pulses
- Read out by quantum jumps

Level scheme

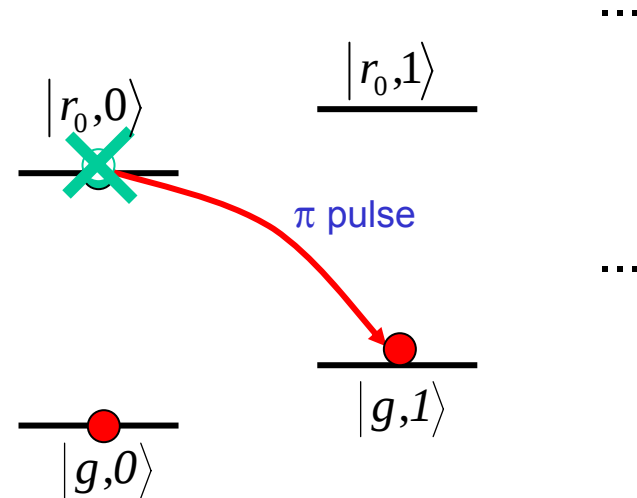


Two-qubit phase gate

- step 1: swap first qubit to phonon

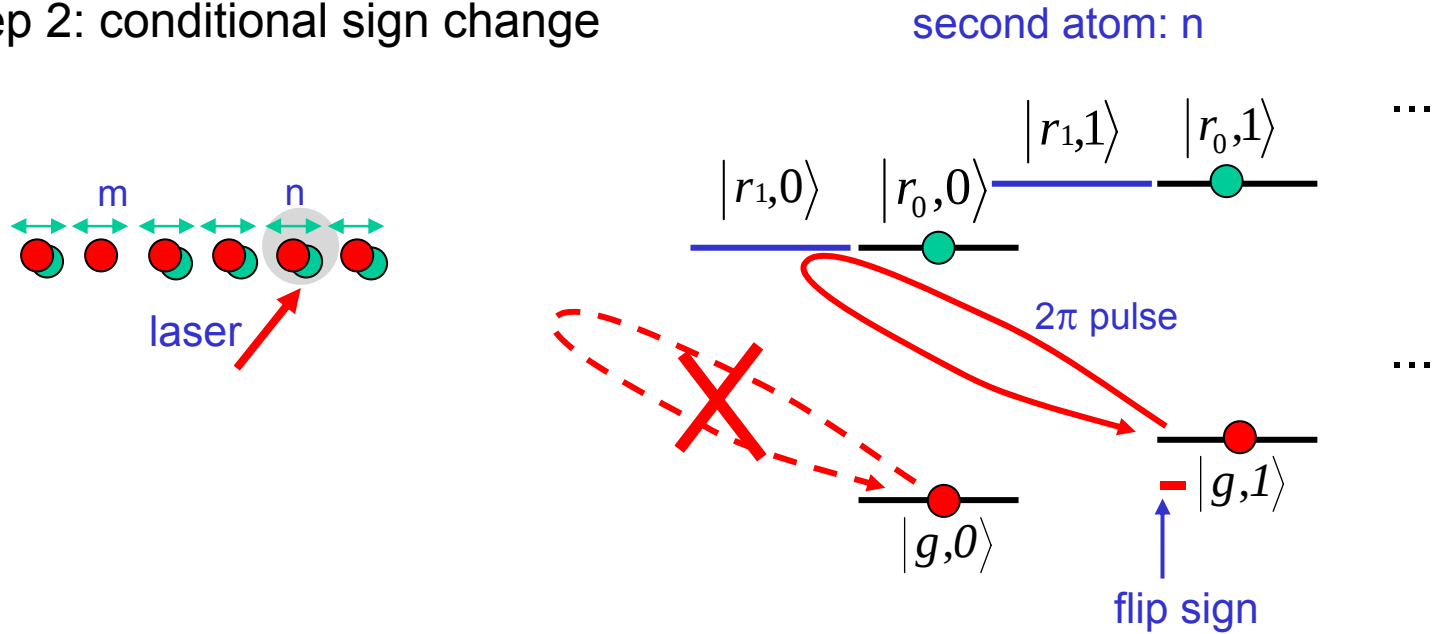


first atom: m



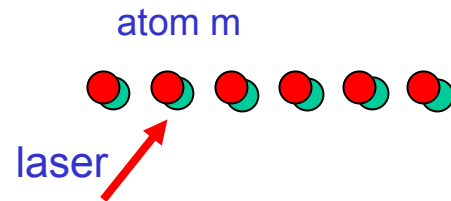
$$\begin{array}{ll}
 |g\rangle_m |0\rangle & \xrightarrow{\hat{U}_m^{\pi,0}} |g\rangle_m |0\rangle \\
 |r\rangle_m |0\rangle & \xrightarrow{\hat{U}_m^{\pi,0}} -i |g\rangle_m |1\rangle
 \end{array}$$

- step 2: conditional sign change



$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \hat{U}_n^{2\pi,1} & \\
 |g\rangle_m |g\rangle_n |0\rangle & \longrightarrow |g\rangle_m |g\rangle_n |0\rangle \\
 |g\rangle_m |r\rangle_n |0\rangle & \longrightarrow |g\rangle_m |r\rangle_n |0\rangle \\
 -i |g\rangle_m |g\rangle_n |1\rangle & \longrightarrow i |g\rangle_m |g\rangle_n |1\rangle \\
 -i |g\rangle_m |r\rangle_n |1\rangle & \longrightarrow -i |g\rangle_m |r\rangle_n |1\rangle
 \end{array}$$

- step 3: swap phonon back to first qubit



$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 |g\rangle_m \otimes & \begin{array}{l} |g\rangle_n |0\rangle \\ |r\rangle_n |0\rangle \\ i|g\rangle_n |1\rangle \\ -i|r\rangle_n |1\rangle \end{array} & \xrightarrow{\hat{U}_m^{\pi,0}} \begin{array}{l} |g\rangle_m |g\rangle_n \\ |g\rangle_m |r\rangle_n \\ |r\rangle_m |g\rangle_n \\ -|r\rangle_m |r\rangle_n \end{array} \otimes |0\rangle
 \end{array}$$

- summary: we have a phase gate between atom m and n

$$\begin{array}{llll}
 |g\rangle|g\rangle|0\rangle & \longrightarrow & |g\rangle|g\rangle|0\rangle, \\
 |g\rangle|r_0\rangle|0\rangle & \longrightarrow & |g\rangle|r_0\rangle|0\rangle, \\
 |r_0\rangle|g\rangle|0\rangle & \longrightarrow & |r_0\rangle|g\rangle|0\rangle, \\
 |r_0\rangle|r_0\rangle|0\rangle & \longrightarrow & -|r_0\rangle|r_0\rangle|0\rangle.
 \end{array}$$

phonon mode returned to
initial state



$$|\epsilon_1\rangle|\epsilon_2\rangle \rightarrow (-1)^{\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2} |\epsilon_1\rangle|\epsilon_2\rangle \quad (\epsilon_{1,2} = 0, 1)$$

Rem.: this idea translates immediately to CQED

- (addressable) 2 ion controlled-NOT + tomography

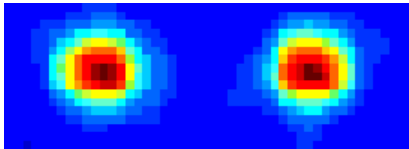
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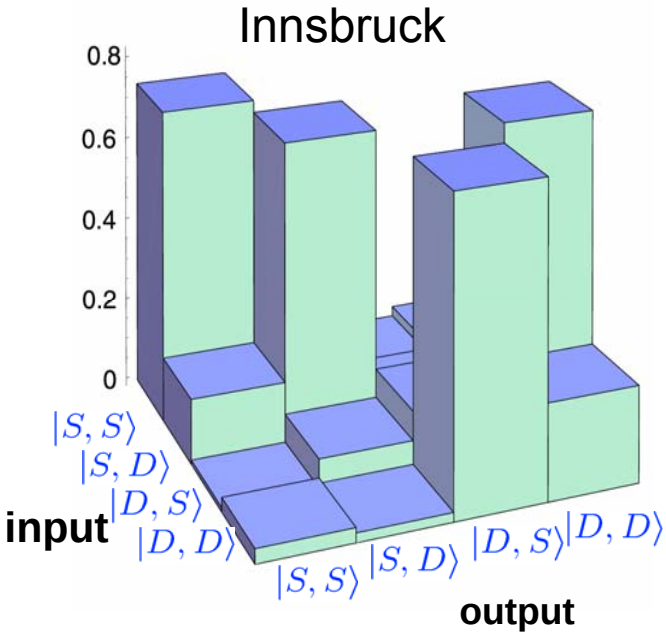
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Experimental demonstration of a robust, high-fidelity geometric two ion-qubit phase gate

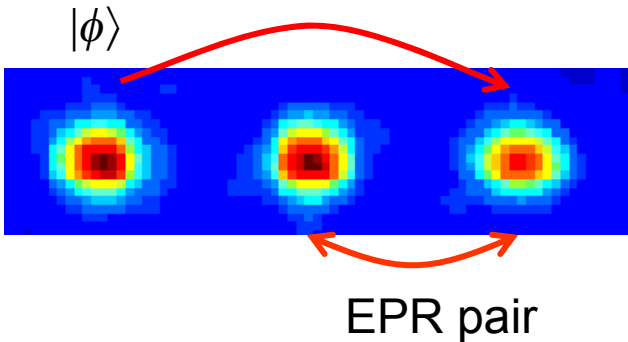
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truth table CNOT



- teleportation Innsbruck / Boulder

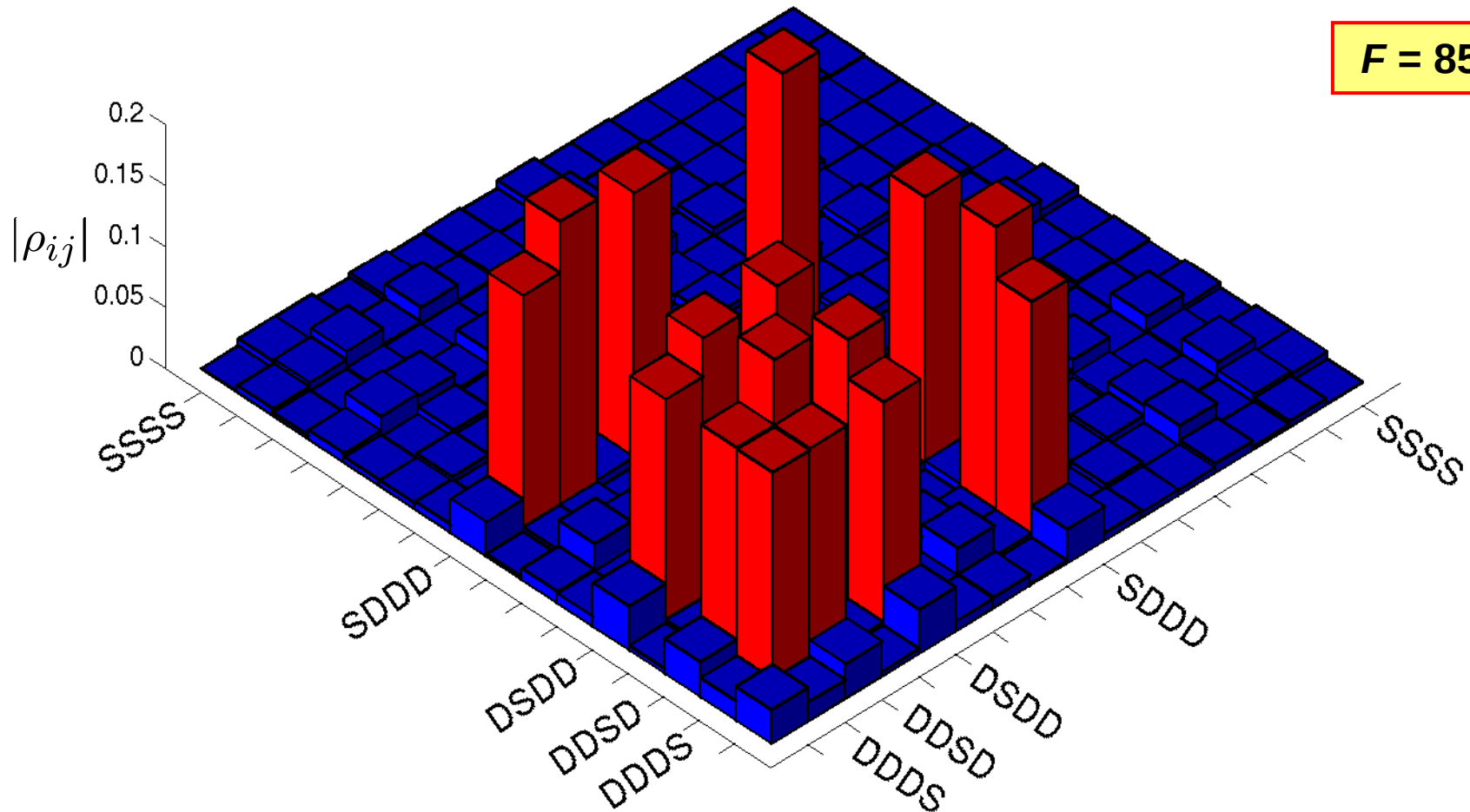


- decoherence: quantum memory DFS 20 sec

Four-ion W-state

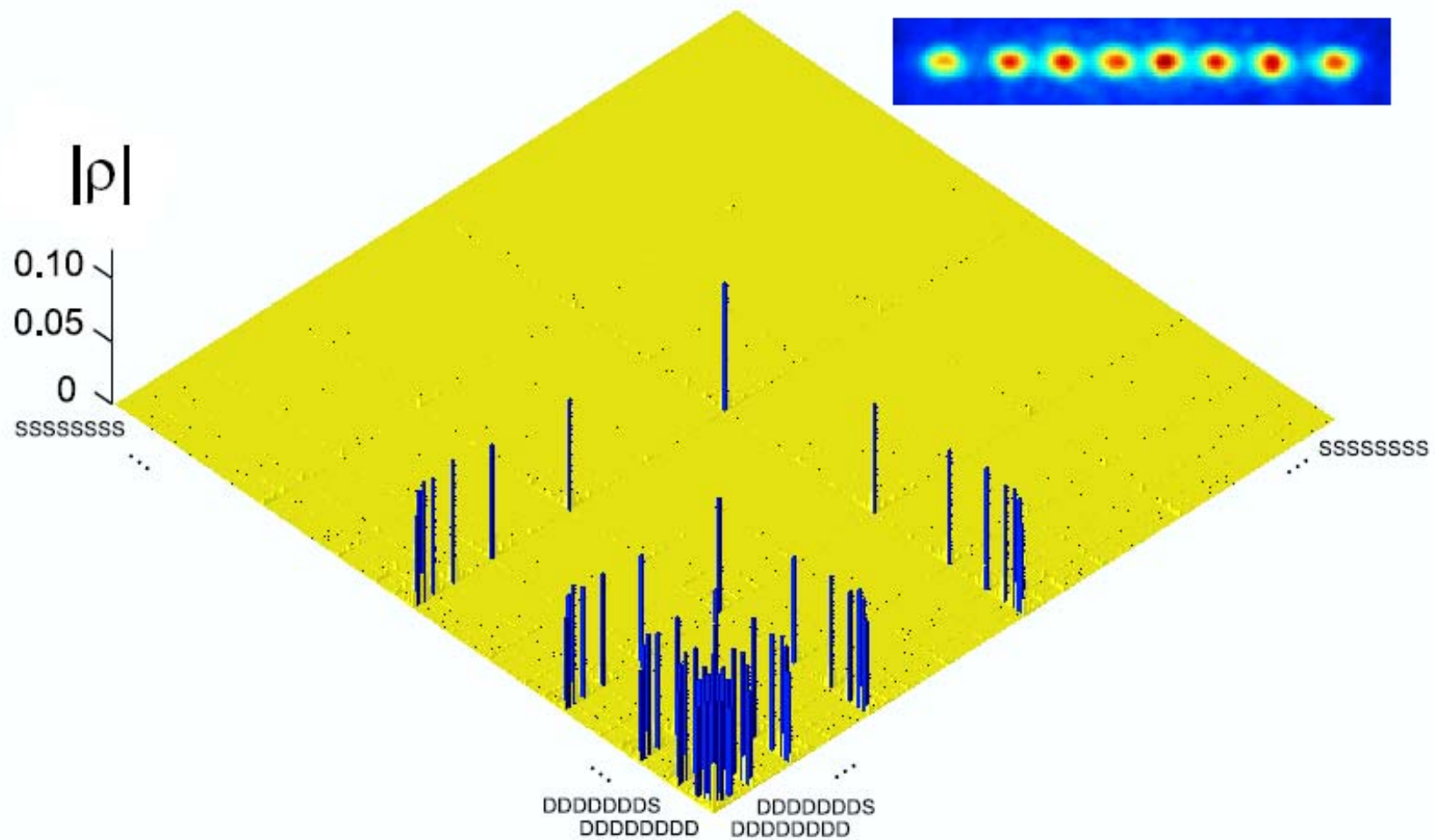
$$|\Psi_4\rangle = \frac{1}{2} (|SDDD\rangle + |DSDD\rangle + |DDSD\rangle + |DDDS\rangle)$$

$F = 85\%$



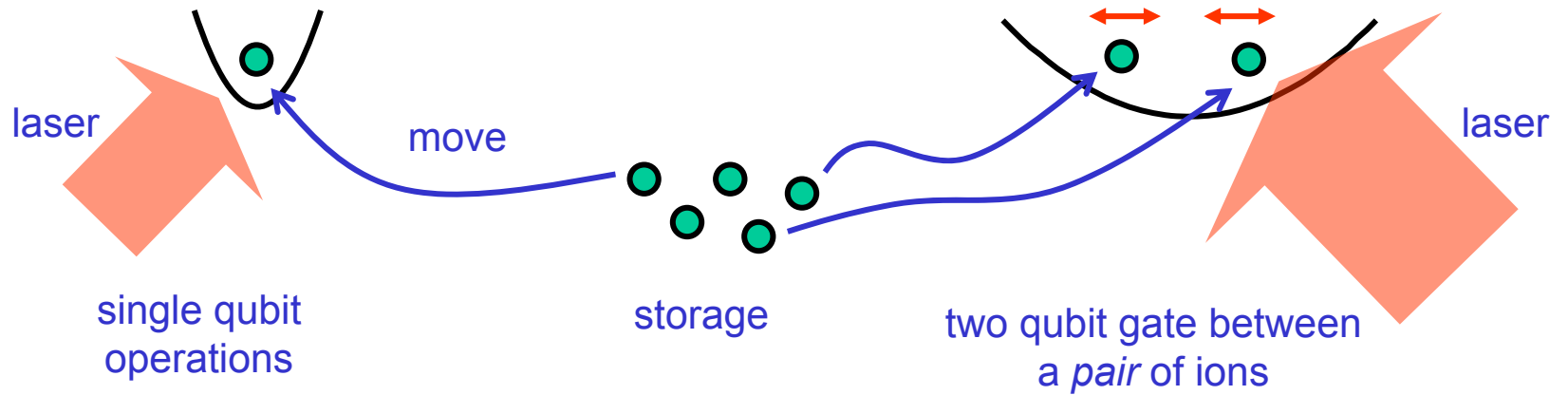
Eight ion W-state

R. Blatt et al.
Nature 2005



Scalability

- key idea: moving ions ... without destroying the qubit



Two-qubit gate ... the “wish list”

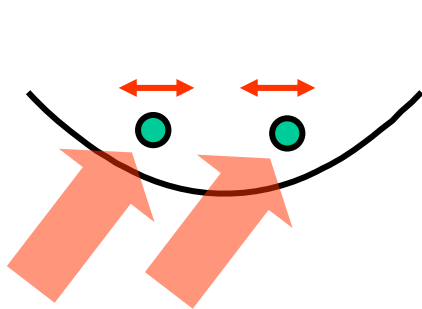
- fast: max # operations / decoherence [what are the limits?]
- NO temperature requirement: “hot” gate, i.e. NO ground state cooling

$$|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| \otimes \rho_{\text{motion}} \rightarrow \text{entangle qubits via motion} \rightarrow |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| \otimes \rho'_{\text{motion}}$$

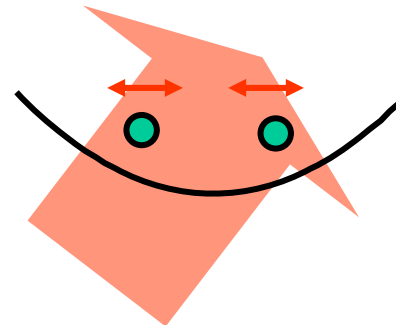
qubits motional
 state:
 e.g. thermal


motional state factors out

- NO individual addressing



vs.



addressing:
large distance

vs.

strong coupling:
small distance

Speed limits

- In all present proposals the speed limit for the gate is given by the trap frequency

$$T_{\text{gate}} \sim 1/\eta\nu$$

trap frequency
Lamb Dicke parameter $\eta = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon R}{\nu}}$


$$T_{\text{gate}} \sim 1/\sqrt{\nu}$$

$\nu \sim 10 \text{ MHz, i.e. } T_{\text{gate}} \sim \mu \text{ s}$

limits given by trap design

The rest of the lecture ...

- Push gate
- Geometric phase gates
- Optimal Control Gates
 - what is the *best* gate for given resources?
- [Examples]
 - fast gate with short laser pulses
 - fast gate with continuous laser pulses
 - engineering spin Hamiltonians ...

J.I. Cirac & PZ

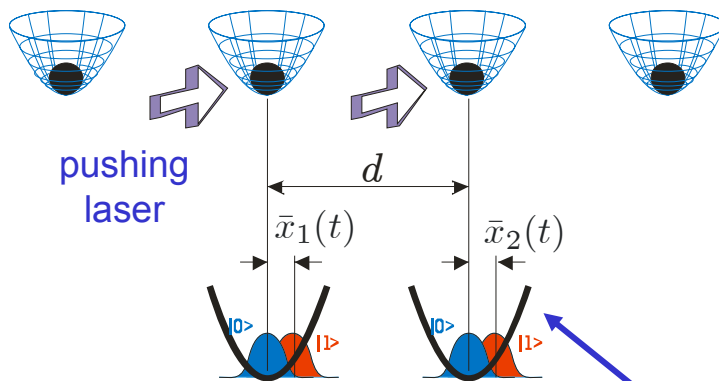
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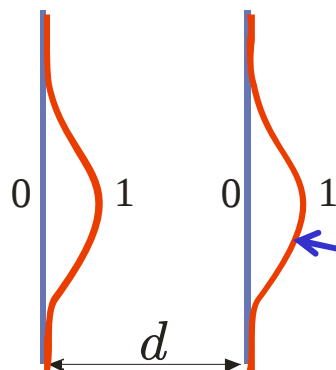
Another example for a 2-qubit gate ...

Push gate

- converting "spin to charge"

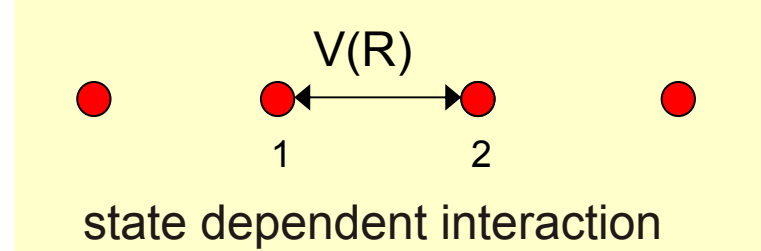


time ↑

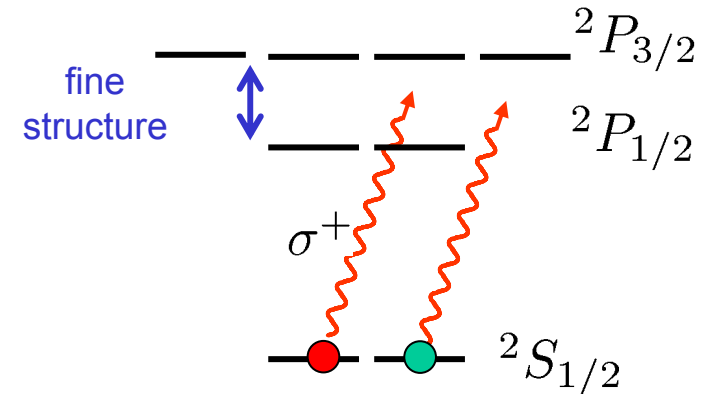


qubit dependent displacement of the ion

accumulate different energy shifts along different trajectories: 2-qubit gate



- spin dependent optical potential

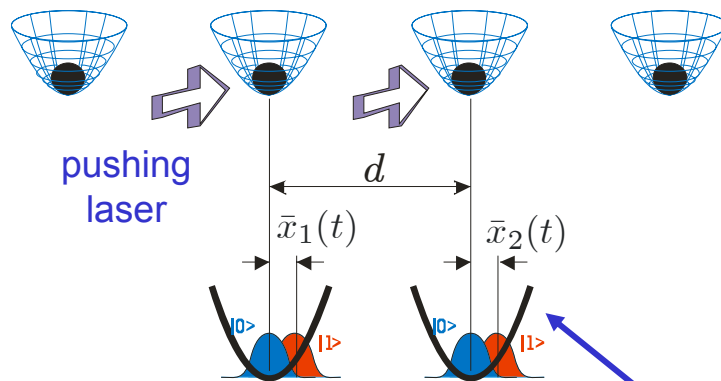


different AC Stark shifts

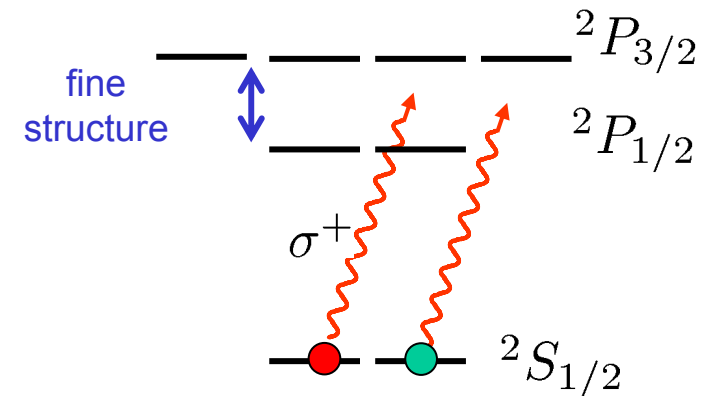
- robust: temperature insensitive ☺

Push gate

- converting "spin to charge"



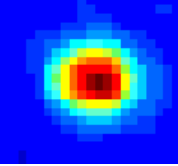
- spin dependent optical potential



qubit dependent displacement of the ion

- Hamiltonian

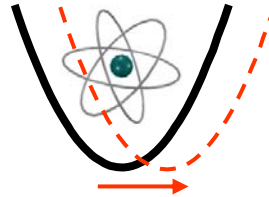
$$H = \sum_{i=1}^N \left[\frac{1}{2m} p_i^2 + V_{e,i}(x_i) - F_i(t) \sigma_z^i x_i \right] + \sum_{i < j} \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{|x_i - x_j|}$$



Geometric Phase [Gate]: One Ion

- Goal: geometric phase by driving a harmonic oscillator
- Hamiltonian

$$H = \frac{1}{2}\hbar\omega(\hat{p}^2 + \hat{x}^2) - f(t)\hat{x}$$

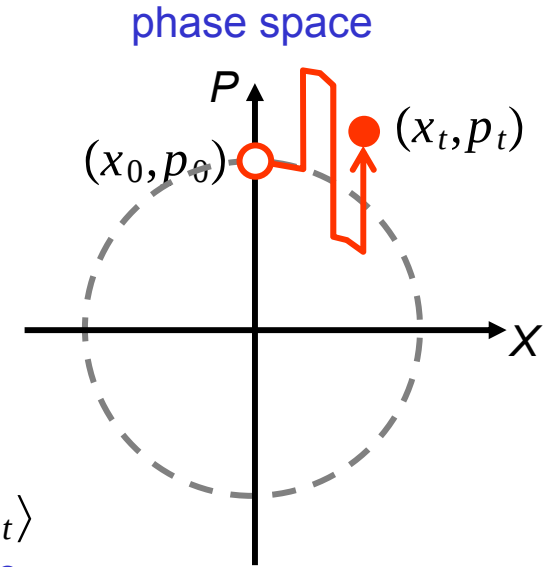


- Time evolution

$$|\psi_0\rangle = |z_0 \equiv x_0 + ip_0\rangle \xrightarrow{\text{phase}} |\psi_t\rangle = e^{i\phi_t}|z_t \equiv x_t + ip_t\rangle$$

coherent state
coherent state

↑ phase

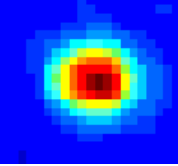


- Solution

$$\frac{d}{dt}z = -i\omega z + i\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}f(t) \xrightarrow{\text{classical evolution}} z_t = e^{-i\omega t}\left[z_0 + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}\int_0^t d\tau e^{i\omega\tau}f(\tau)\right]$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\phi = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}f(t)(z^* + z)$$

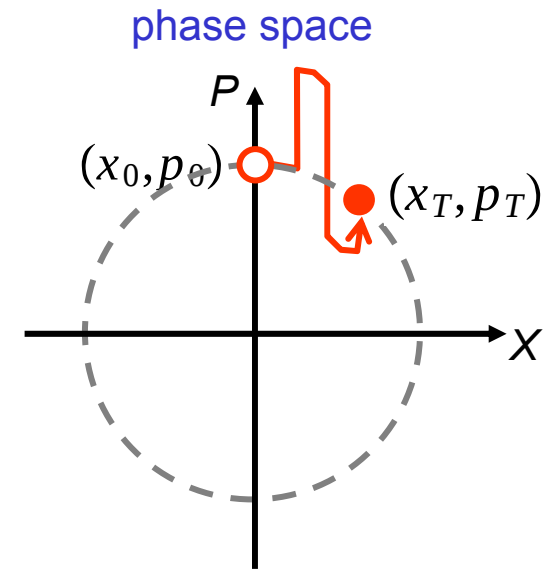
↑ phase
↑ displacement

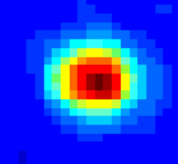


- Condition:

After a given time T the coherent wavepacket is restored to the freely evolved state

$$\int_0^T d\tau e^{i\omega\tau} f(\tau) \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

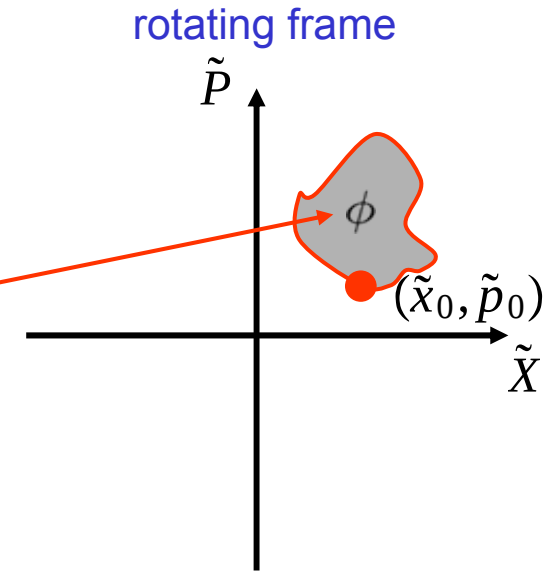




- Rotating frame $\tilde{z}_t \equiv \tilde{x}_t + i\tilde{p}_t = e^{i\omega t} z_t$

$$\frac{d\tilde{z}}{dt} = ie^{i\omega t} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} f(t)$$

$$\frac{d\phi}{dt} = \frac{d\tilde{p}}{dt} \tilde{x} - \frac{d\tilde{x}}{dt} \tilde{p} = 2 \frac{dA}{dt}$$

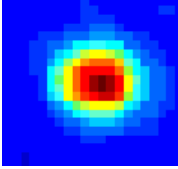


- Phase

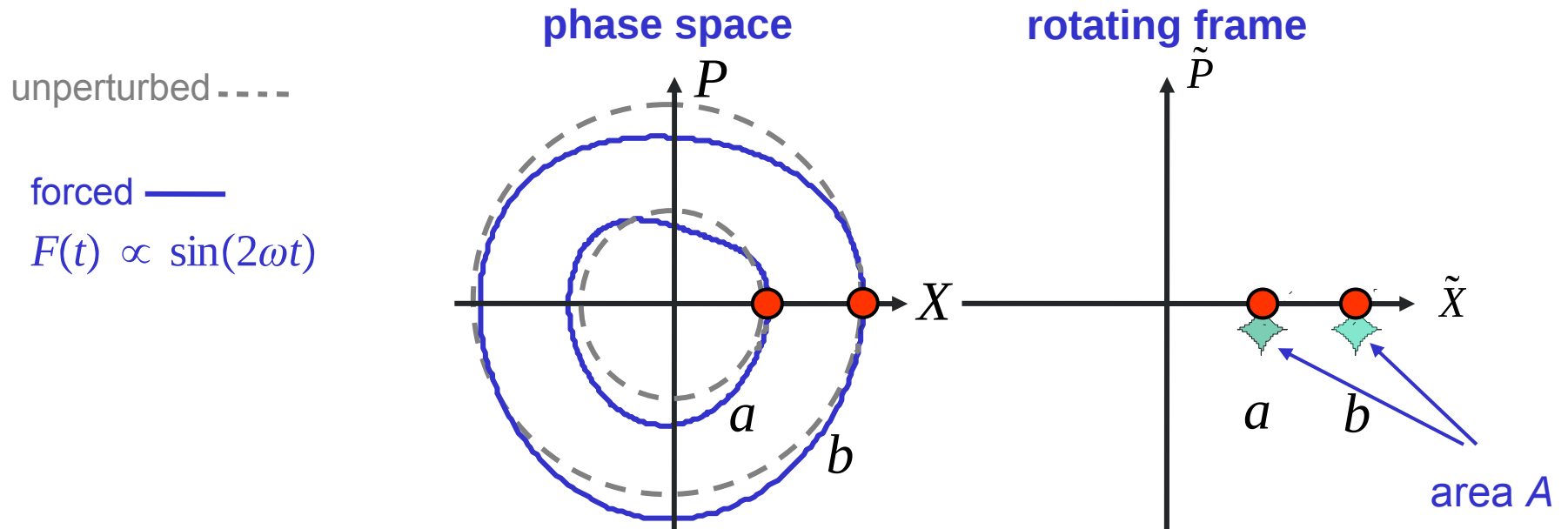
$$\begin{aligned} \phi(T) &= \text{Im} \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \int_0^T d\tau e^{i\omega\tau} f(\tau) \tilde{z}_\tau^* \\ &= \text{Im} \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \left[\underbrace{\int_0^T d\tau e^{i\omega\tau} f(\tau_1)}_{=0} \right] \tilde{z}_0^* + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \text{Im} \int_0^T d\tau_1 \int_0^{\tau_1} d\tau_2 e^{i\omega(\tau_1-\tau_2)} f(\tau_1) f(\tau_2)}_{\text{The phase does not depend on the initial state, } (x_0, p_0)} \end{aligned}$$

return condition

The phase does *not* depend on the initial state, (x_0, p_0)

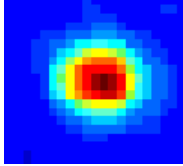


- Example



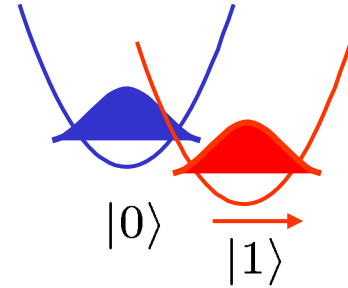
- The phase does not depend on the initial state, (x_0, p_0) ☺
(temperature independent)

Geometric Phase Gate: Single Ion



- Hamiltonian

$$H = \frac{1}{2}\hbar\omega(\hat{p}^2 + \hat{x}^2) - |1\rangle\langle 1|f(t)\hat{x}$$



- Time evolution operator

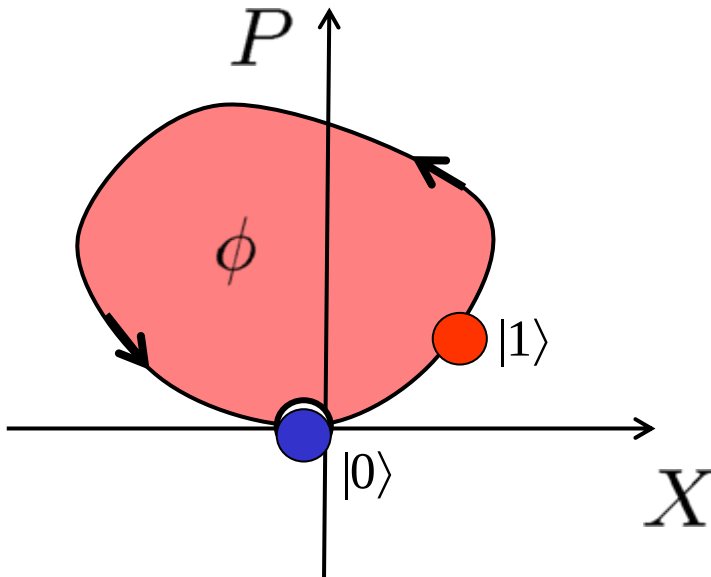
$$U(T) = e^{i\phi|1\rangle\langle 1|}$$

$$(\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle) \otimes |z_0\rangle$$

$$\xrightarrow{U(T)} (\alpha|0\rangle + \beta e^{i\phi}|1\rangle) \otimes |z_T\rangle$$

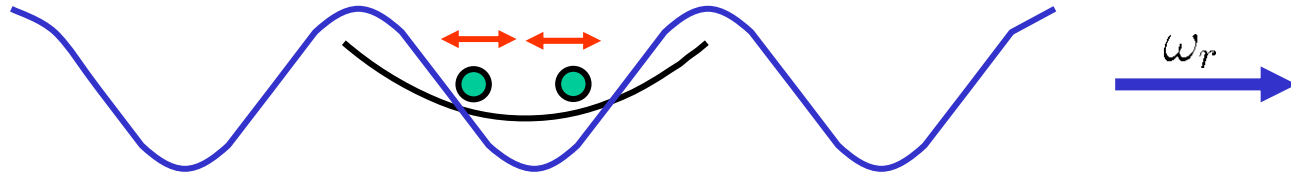
single ion phase gate

motion factors out



NIST Gate: Leibfried *et al* Nature 2003

- 2 ions in a running standing wave tuned to ω_r



$$H = \omega_r a^\dagger a - F(t)(\sigma_z^1 + \sigma_z^2)(a_r + a_r^\dagger)$$

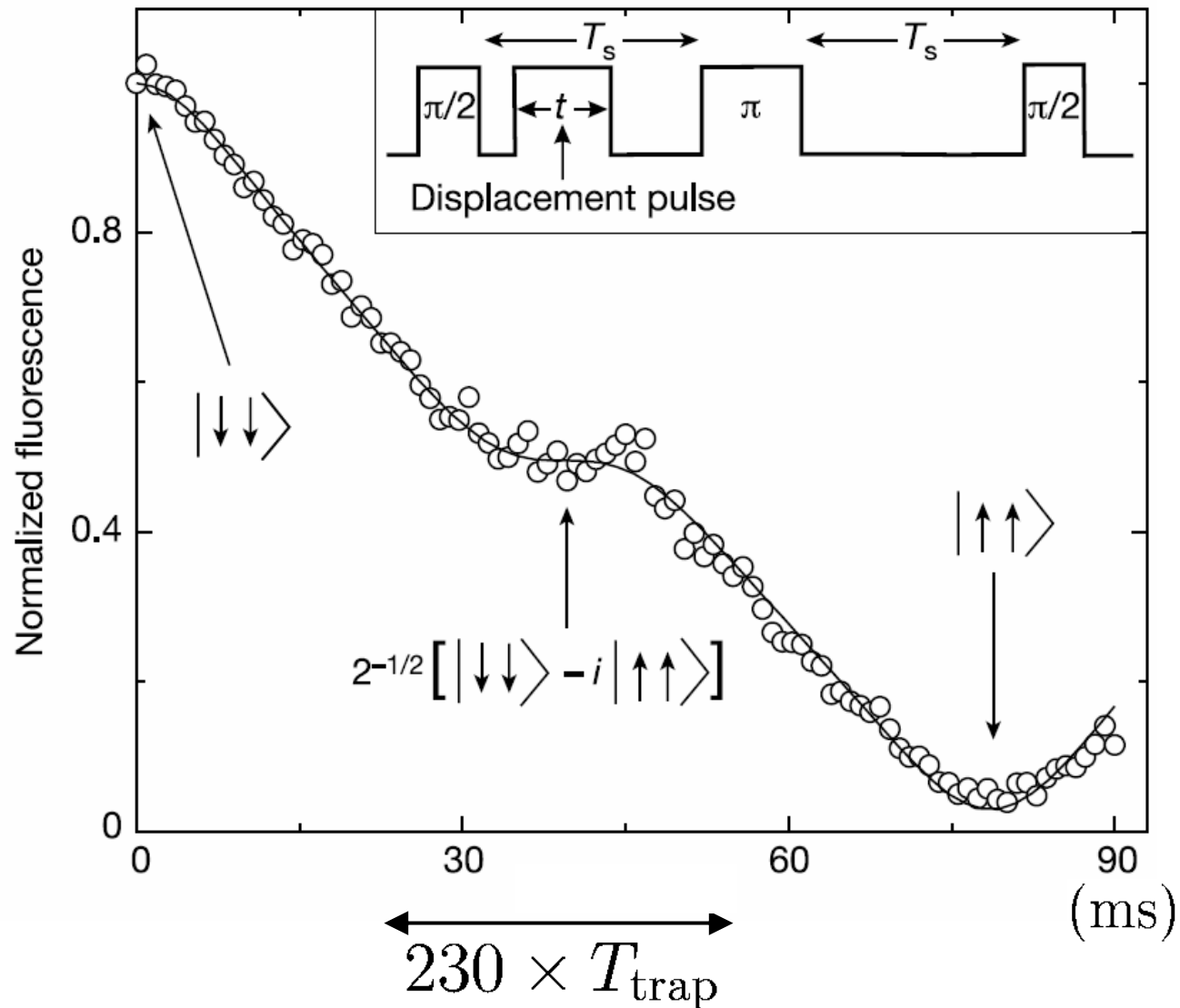
- If $F(t)$ is periodic with a period multiple of ω_r , after some time the motional state is restored, but now the total phase is

$$\phi = A\sigma_z^1\sigma_z^2 \quad U(T) = \exp(i\phi\sigma_1^z\sigma_2^z)$$

- To address one mode, the gate must be slow ☹

$$T \gg 2\pi/\omega_r$$

NIST Gate: Leibfried *et al.* Nature 2003



Best gate?

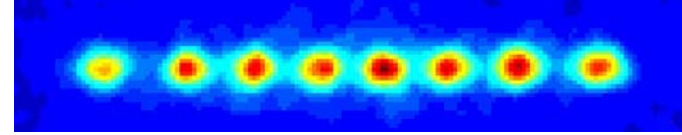
- What is the best possible gate?

requirements: ...

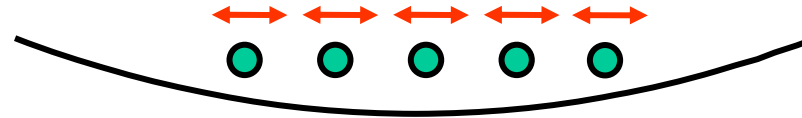
constraints: ...

- ... an optimal control problem

N Ions



- We will consider N trapped ions (linear traps, microtraps...), subject to state-dependent forces:



$$H = \sum_{i=1}^N \left[\frac{1}{2m} p_i^2 + V_{e,i}(x_i) - F_i(t) \sigma_z^i x_i \right] + \sum_{i < j} \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{|x_i - x_j|}$$

- normal modes

$$H = \sum_i \left[\frac{1}{2m} P_i^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \nu_k^2 Q_k^2 \right] - \sum_k F_i(t) \sigma_z^i M_{ik} Q_k \quad \text{integrable}$$

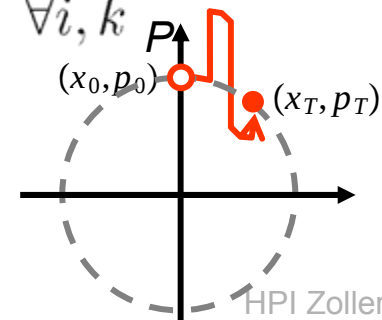
- unitary evolution operator

$$U(T) = \exp \left(i \sum_{ij} J_{ij} \sigma_z^i \sigma_z^j \right)$$

general Ising interaction

- constraints on forces

$$\int_0^T d\tau e^{i\omega_k \tau} F_i(\tau) = 0, \quad \forall i, k$$



Quantum Control Problem

- **Target:** the Ising interaction, is a function of the forces

$$J_{ij} = \frac{1}{2m\hbar} \int_0^T \int_0^T d\tau_1 d\tau_2 F_i(\tau_1) F_j(\tau_2) \mathcal{G}_{ij}(\tau_1 - \tau_2).$$

given   determine

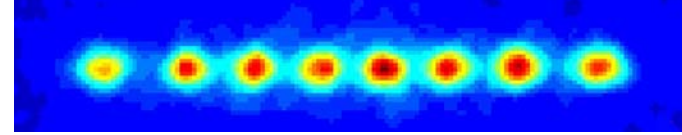
The kernel G depends only on the trapping potential.

- **Constraints:** displacements, z_k , depend both on the forces and on the internal states. To cancel them, we must impose

$$\int_0^T d\tau e^{i\omega_k \tau} F_i(\tau) = 0, \quad \forall i, k$$

- Additional **constraints**: the total time, T; smoothness & intensity of the forces, no local addressing of ions ... 

fastest gate?



More results

- **Theorem:** For N ions and a given Ising interaction $J_{\{ij\}}$, it is always possible to find a set of forces that realize the gate

$$\exp \left(-iT \sum_{ij} J_{ij} \sigma_z^i \sigma_z^j \right), \quad \text{simulate spin models} \quad \exp \left(-iT \left(\sum_{ij} J_{ij} \sigma_z^i \sigma_z^j + \sum_i h_i \sigma_z^i \right) \right),$$

although now the solution has to be found numerically.

- **Applications:** Generation of cluster states, of GHZ states, stroboscopic simulation of Hamiltonians, adiabatic quantum computing,...

The time, T , is arbitrary!

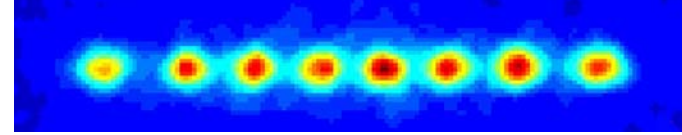
cluster state

$$|\phi\rangle_c = \exp \left(i \int_0^t \frac{1}{4} \hbar g(t) dt \sum_{\langle a,b \rangle} \sigma_z^{(a)} \otimes \sigma_z^{(b)} dt \right) \left(\otimes_{a \in C} |+\rangle_a \right)$$

$|+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle_z + |1\rangle_z)$

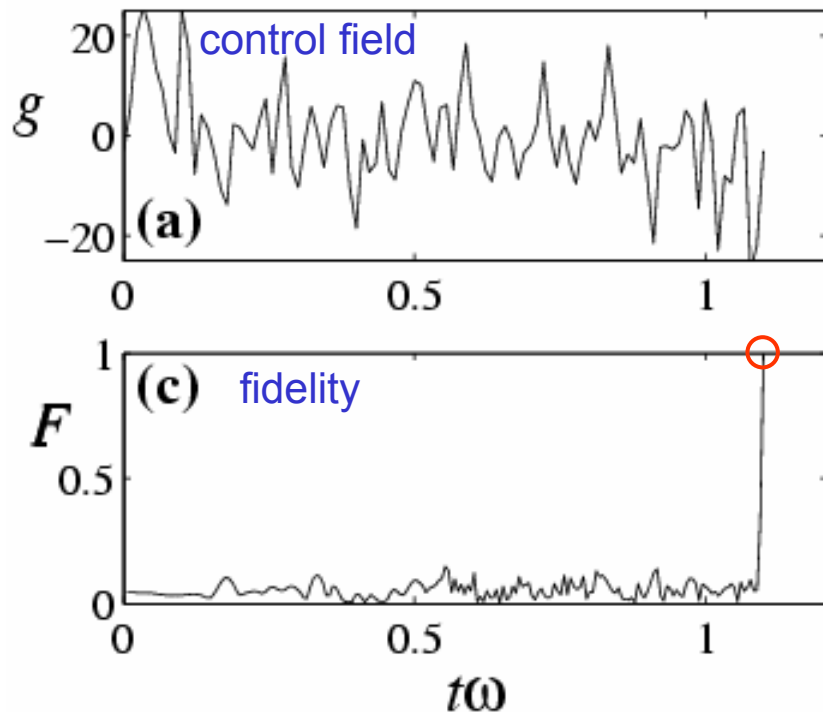
GHZ state

$$|\phi\rangle_{\text{GHZ}} \sim e^{-iJ_z^2 t} |+\rangle \equiv e^{-i(\sum_i \frac{1}{2} \sigma_z^i)^2 t} \sim |00 \dots\rangle + |11 \dots\rangle$$

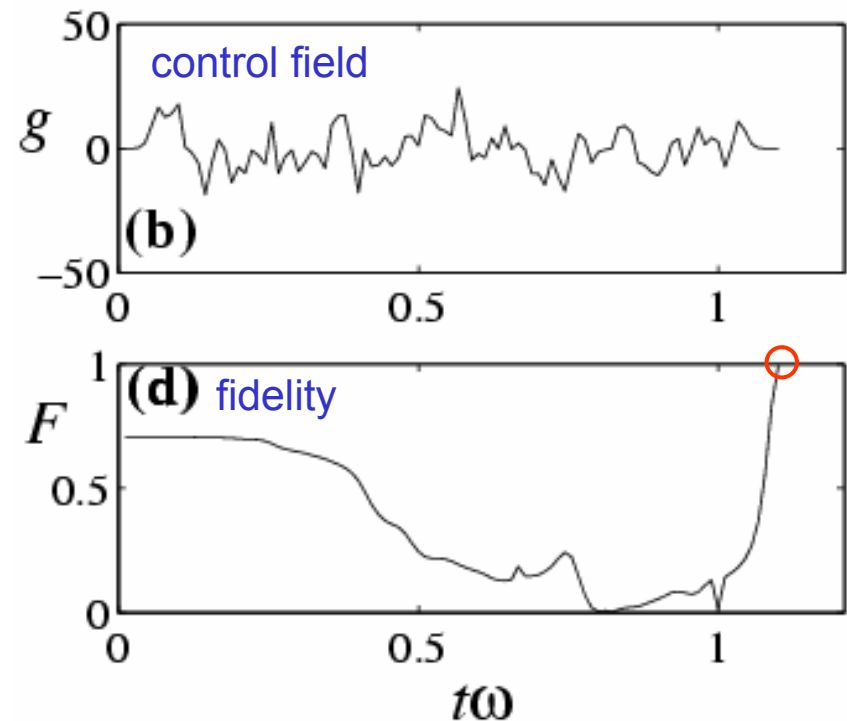


Engineering cluster and GHZ states

Cluster state N=10



GHZ state N=20

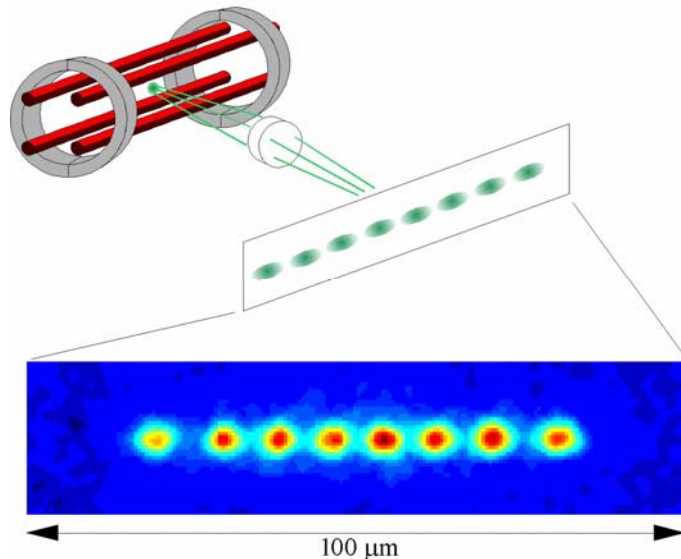


These examples use a common force: $F_i(t) = x_i g(t)$

Juanjo Garcia-Ripoll has calculated this up to N=30 ions

So far ... Quantum computing with trapped ions

- trapped ions



QC model:

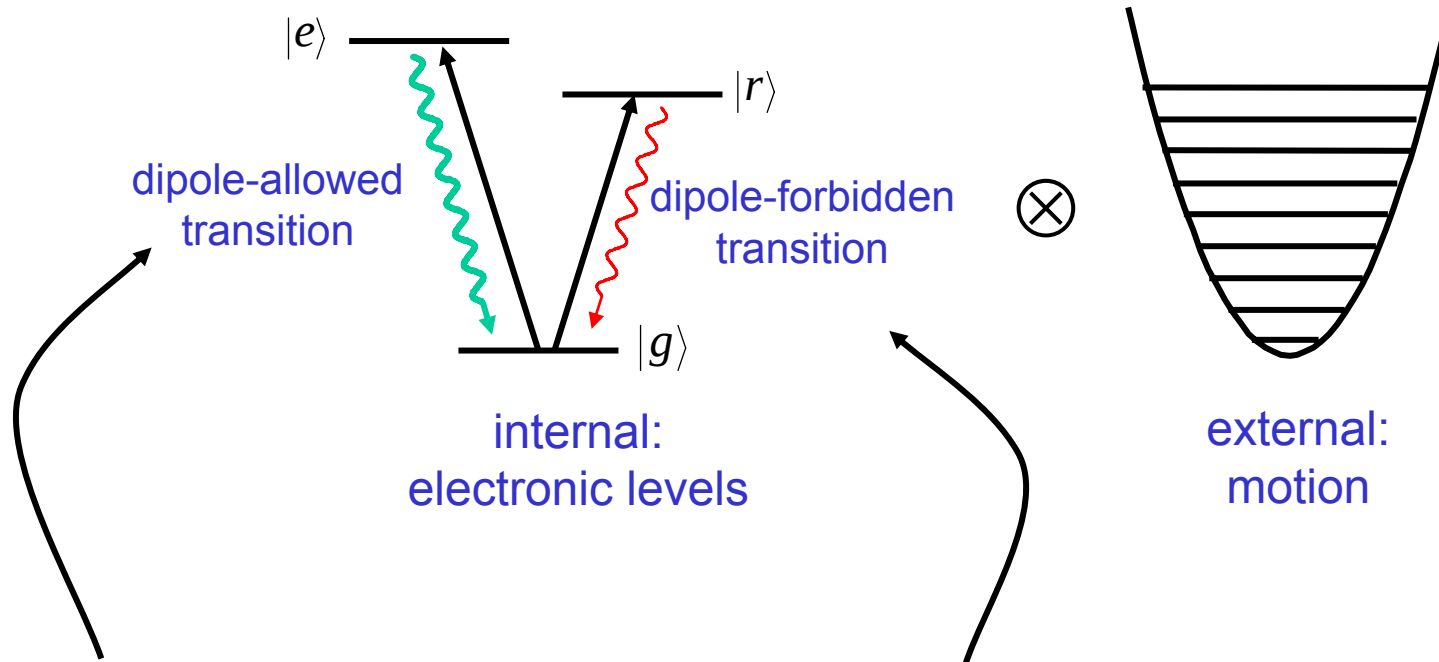
- ✓ qubits: longlived atomic states
- ✓ single qubit gates: laser
- ✓ two qubit gates: via phonon bus
- ✓ read out: quantum jumps

requirements:

- ✓ state preparation: phonon cooling
- ✓ [small decoherence]

Trapped ion: the system

- system = internal + external degrees of freedom



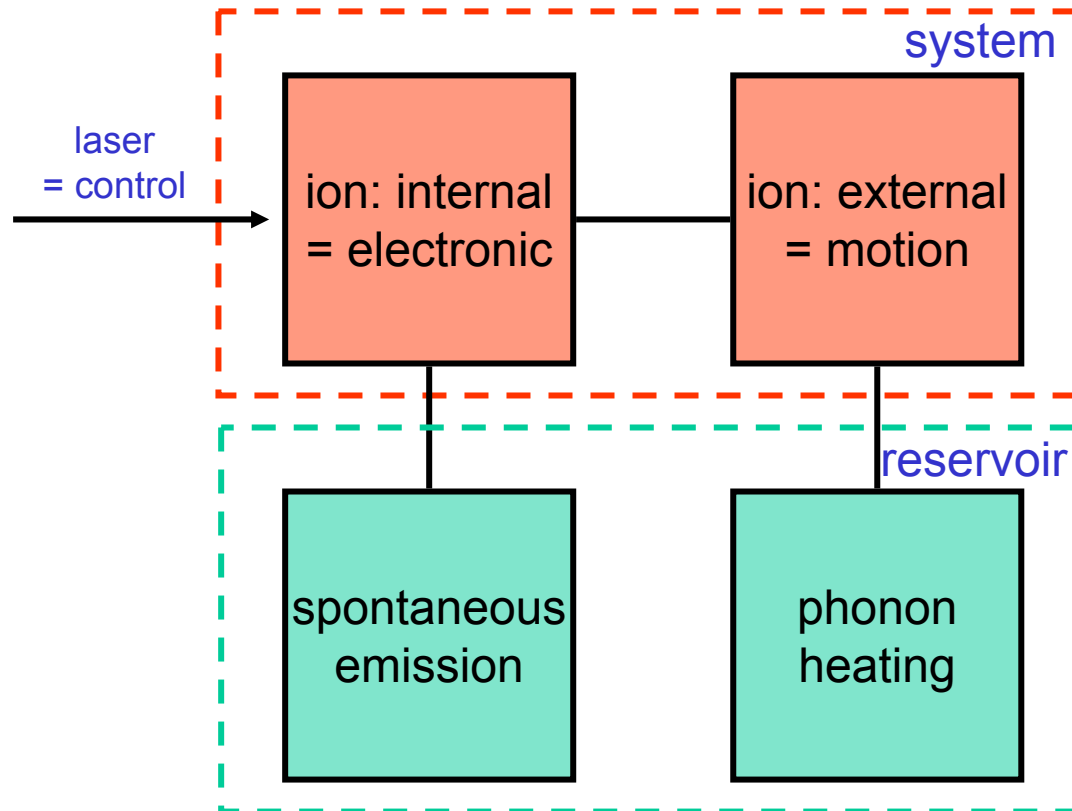
- strong dissipation

- ✓ laser cooling / state preparation
- ✓ qubit / state measurement

- small dissipation

- ✓ Hamiltonian: quantum state engineering

System + Reservoir



Development of the theory:

- system: Hamiltonian (control)
- reservoir: master equation + continuous measurement theory

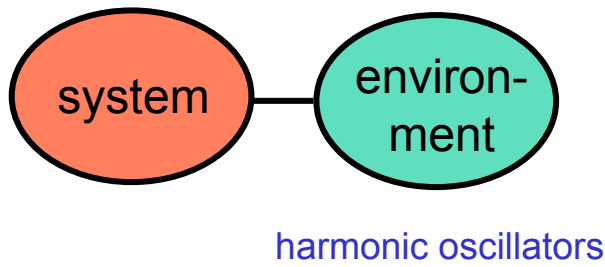


Quantum Optics



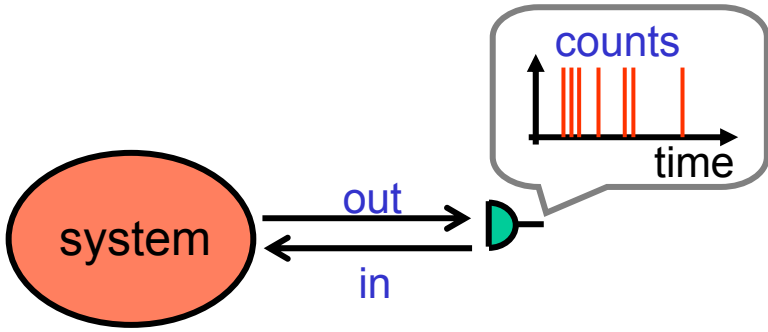
Quantum Information

- Open quantum system



✓ master equation

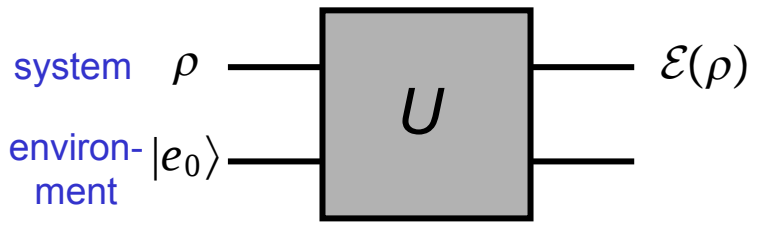
- Continuous observation



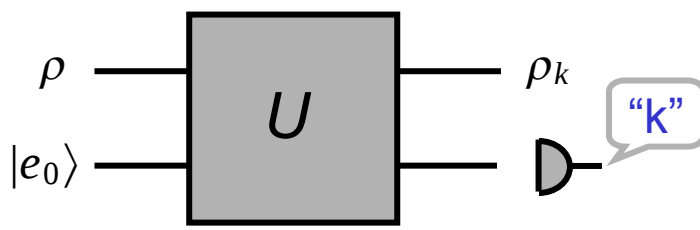
✓ Stochastic Schrödinger Equation

“Quantum Markov processes”

- Quantum operations



$$\rho \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(\rho) = \sum_k E_k \rho E_k^\dagger$$



Outline

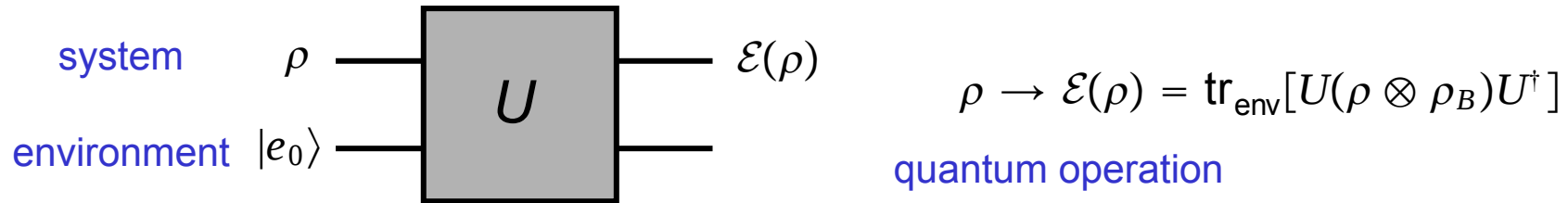
- Quantum Operations
 - language of quantum information
- System + environment models in quantum optics
 - Quantum Stochastic Schrödinger Equation (QSSE)
- Solution of the QSSE
 - explicit solution: entangled state representation of system + environment
 - complete photon statistics (continuous measurement)
 - master equation
- Examples / application
 - ions: spontaneous emission, laser cooling & quantum reservoir engineering, qubit readout
- Cascaded quantum systems (advanced topic)
 - from QSSE to master equations etc.
 - application: qubit transmission in a quantum network
- [Extra topics]
 - homodyne, quantum feedback

1. Quantum Operations

Ref.: Nielsen & Chuang, Quantum Information and Quantum Computation

Quantum operations

Evolution of a quantum system coupled to an environment:
open quantum system



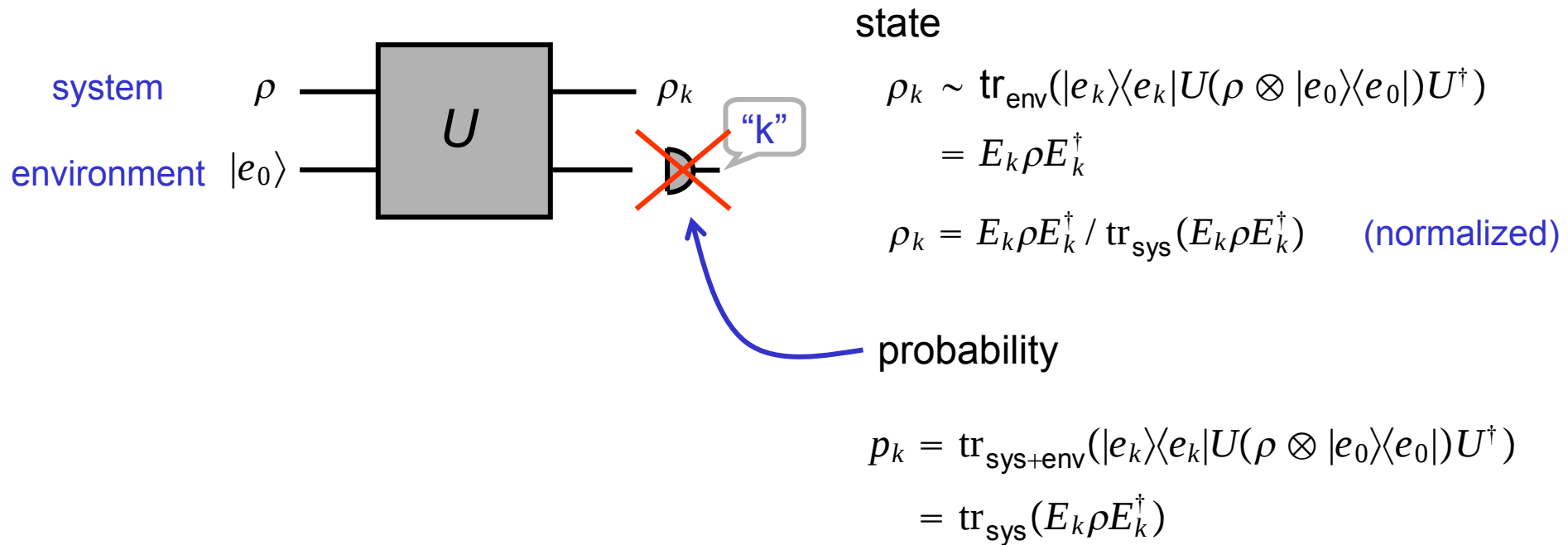
Operator sum representation:

$$\begin{aligned}\rho \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(\rho) &= \text{tr}_{\text{env}}[U(\rho \otimes |e_0\rangle\langle e_0|)U^\dagger] \\ &= \sum_k \langle e_k | U(\rho \otimes |e_0\rangle\langle e_0|)U^\dagger | e_k \rangle \\ &= \sum_k E_k \rho E_k^\dagger \quad \text{with } E_k = \langle e_k | U | e_0 \rangle \quad \text{operation elements}\end{aligned}$$

Properties: $\sum_k E_k^\dagger E_k = 1$

Quantum operations

Measurement of the environment: $P_k \equiv |e_k\rangle\langle e_k|$



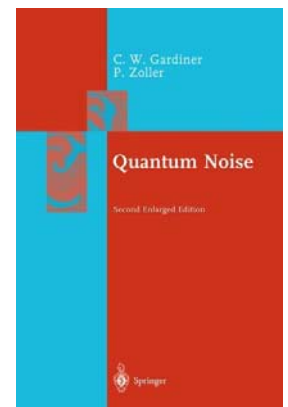
Remark: if we do not read out the measurement

$$\begin{aligned} \rho \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(\rho) &= \sum_k p_k \rho_k \\ &= \sum_k E_k \rho E_k^\dagger \end{aligned}$$

2. System + environment models in Quantum Optics

- formulation

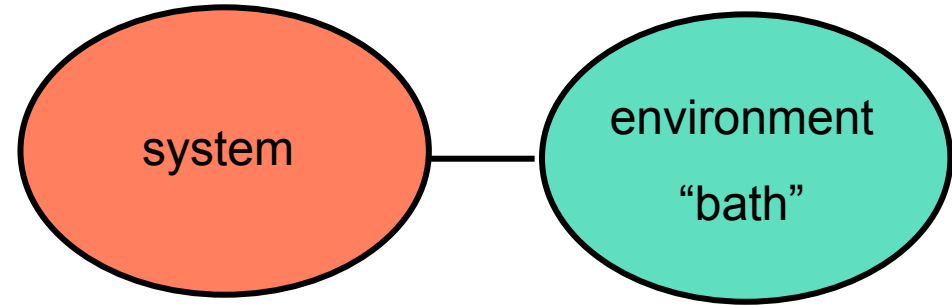
- ➔ – operator / c-number stochastic Schrödinger equation
- [(operator) Langevin equation]



System + environment model

Hamiltonian:

$$H_{\text{tot}} = H_{\text{sys}} + H_B + H_{\text{int}}$$



H_{sys} unspecified

$$H_B = \int_{\omega_0 - \mathcal{G}}^{\omega_0 + \mathcal{G}} d\omega \omega b^\dagger(\omega) b(\omega) \quad \text{with } [b(\omega), b^\dagger(\omega')] = \delta(\omega - \omega')$$

harmonic
oscillators

$$H_{\text{int}} = i \int_{\omega_0 - \mathcal{G}}^{\omega_0 + \mathcal{G}} d\omega \kappa(\omega) [c b^\dagger(\omega) - c^\dagger b(\omega)]$$

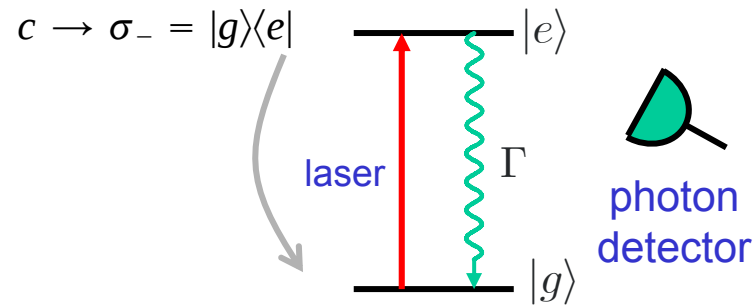
 system operator

Assumptions:

- rotating wave approximation

Example: spontaneous emission

- driven two-level system undergoing spontaneous emission

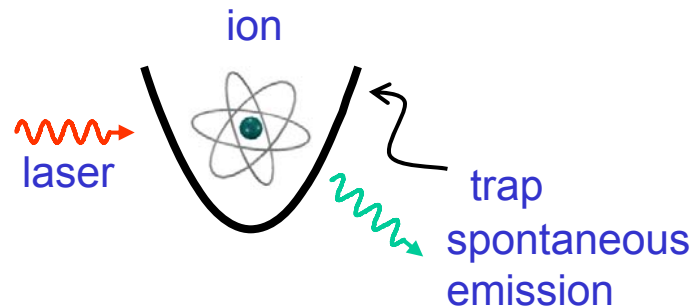


$$H_{\text{sys}} = \omega_{eg} |e\rangle\langle e| - \left(\frac{1}{2} \Omega e^{-i\omega_L t} \sigma_+ + \text{h.c.} \right)$$

$$H_{\text{int}} = -\vec{\mu}_{eg} \cdot \vec{E}^{(+)}(0) \sigma_+ + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\rightarrow i \int_{\omega_{eg}-\vartheta}^{\omega_{eg}+\vartheta} d\omega \kappa(\omega) b^\dagger(\omega) \sigma_+ + \text{h.c.}$$

- ... including the recoil from spontaneous emission



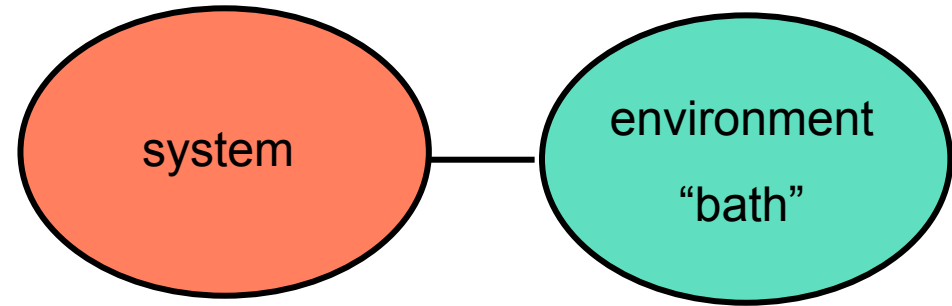
$$H_{\text{int}} = -\vec{\mu}_{eg} \cdot \vec{E}^{(+)}(\vec{x}) \sigma_+ + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\rightarrow \sum_{\lambda} \int d^3k \dots b_{\lambda \vec{k}} e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}} \sigma_+ + \text{h.c.}$$

System + environment model

Hamiltonian:

$$H_{\text{tot}} = H_{\text{sys}} + H_B + H_{\text{int}}$$



H_{sys} unspecified

$$H_B = \int_{\omega_0 - \vartheta}^{\omega_0 + \vartheta} d\omega \omega b^\dagger(\omega) b(\omega) \quad \text{with } [b(\omega), b^\dagger(\omega')] = \delta(\omega - \omega')$$

harmonic oscillators

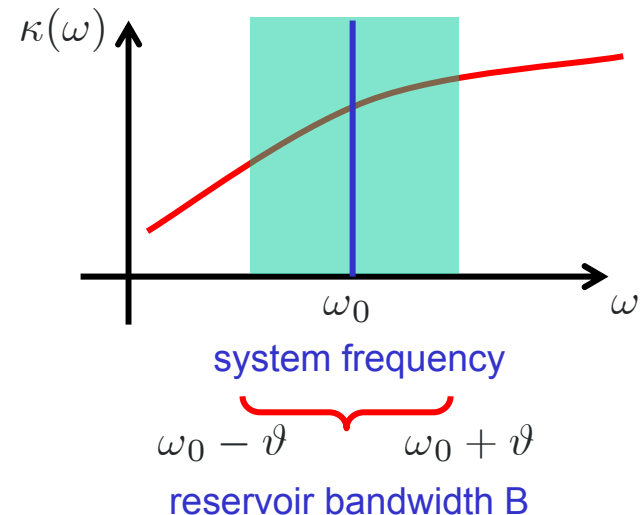
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system operator

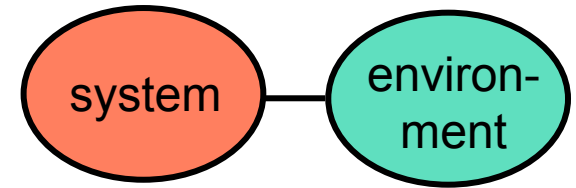
Assumptions:

- rotating wave approximation
- flat spectrum: $\kappa(\omega) \rightarrow \sqrt{\gamma/2\pi}$

flat over bandwidth



Schrödinger Equation



- Schrödinger equation

$$\frac{d}{dt}|\Psi_t\rangle = -i[H_{\text{sys}} + H_B + H_{\text{int}}]|\Psi_t\rangle \quad |\psi\rangle \otimes |\text{vac}\rangle$$

initial condition

- convenient to transform ...

$$|\Psi_t\rangle \rightarrow e^{-iH_B t}|\Psi_t\rangle \quad \text{interaction picture with respect to bath}$$

$$b(\omega) \rightarrow b(\omega)e^{-i\omega t}$$

$$H_{\text{sys}} \rightarrow \tilde{H}_{\text{sys}} \quad \text{"rotating frame" (transform optical frequencies away)}$$

$$c \rightarrow ce^{-i\omega_0 t}$$

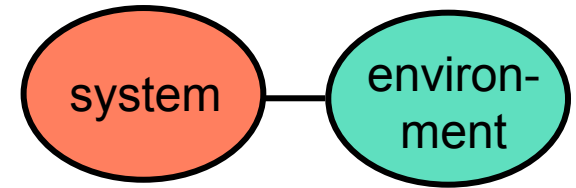
$$\frac{d}{dt}|\tilde{\Psi}_t\rangle = \left[-i\tilde{H}_{\text{sys}} + \left(\int_{\omega_0-\vartheta}^{\omega_0+\vartheta} d\omega \kappa(\omega) b(\omega)^\dagger e^{i(\omega-\omega_0)t} \right) c - \text{h.c.} \right] |\tilde{\Psi}_t\rangle$$

$$\kappa(\omega) \rightarrow \sqrt{\gamma/2\pi}$$

flat over bandwidth

$$b(t) := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\omega_0-\vartheta}^{\omega_0+\vartheta} d\omega b(\omega) e^{-i(\omega-\omega_0)t}$$

"noise operators"



- **Schrödinger Equation**

$$\frac{d}{dt}|\Psi_t\rangle = \left[-iH_{\text{sys}} + \sqrt{\gamma} b(t)^\dagger c - \sqrt{\gamma} c^\dagger b(t) \right] |\Psi_t\rangle$$

↓

$$b(t) := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\omega_0 - \mathfrak{G}}^{\omega_0 + \mathfrak{G}} d\omega b(\omega) e^{-i(\omega - \omega_0)t}$$

“noise operators”

White noise limit $\mathfrak{G} \rightarrow \infty$

$$[b(t), b^\dagger(s)] = \delta(t - s)$$

$$\langle b(t)b^\dagger(s) \rangle = \delta(t - s)$$

vacuum

$$\tau_{\text{sys}} \gg 1/\mathfrak{G} \gg \cancel{\tau_{\text{opt}}}$$

white noise
limit $\mathfrak{G} \rightarrow \infty$

transformed away
after RWA

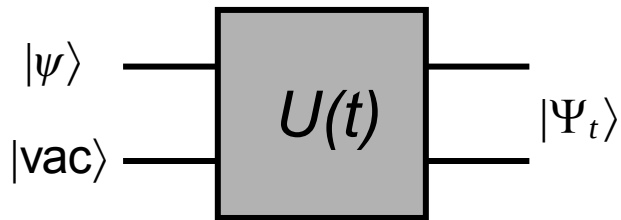
Remarks:

- [We can give precise meaning as a “Quantum Stochastic Schrödinger Equation” within a stochastic Stratonovich calculus]
- We can integrate this equation exactly
 - counting statistics
 - master equation



quantum
operations

3. Integrating the “Quantum Stochastic Schrödinger Equation”

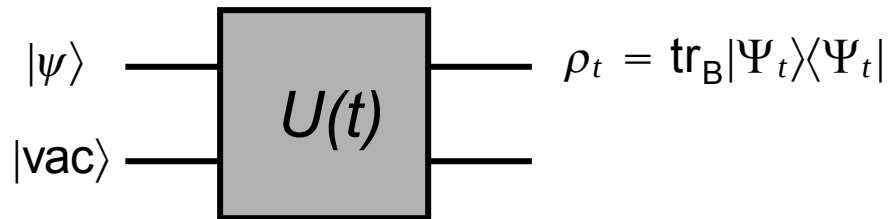


$$|\Psi_0\rangle \rightarrow |\Psi_t\rangle = e^{-iH_{\text{tot}}t}|\Psi_0\rangle$$

Schrödinger equation:
system + environment

What we want to calculate ...

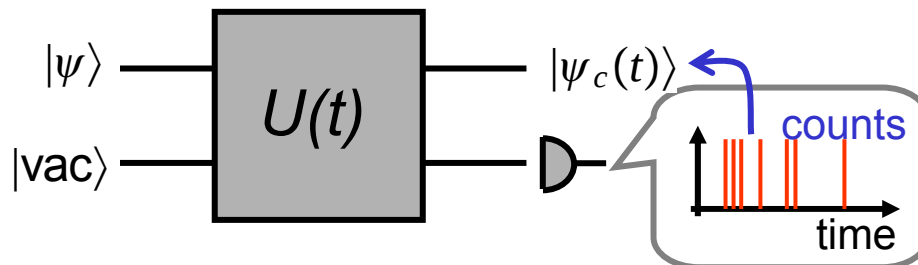
- **We do not observe the environment:** reduced density operator



master equation:

- ✓ decoherence
- ✓ preparation of the system (e.g. laser cooling to ground state)

- **We measure the environment:** continuous measurement

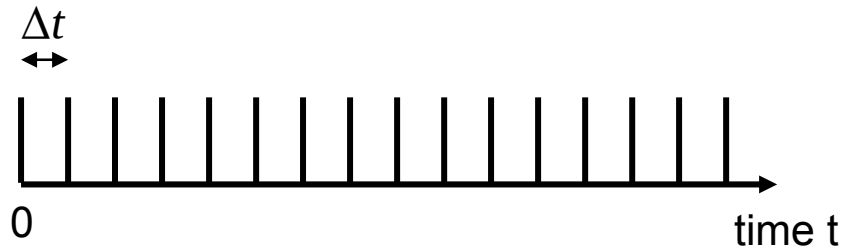


conditional wave function:

- ✓ counting statistics
- ✓ effect of observation on system evolution (e.g. preparation of the (single quantum) system)

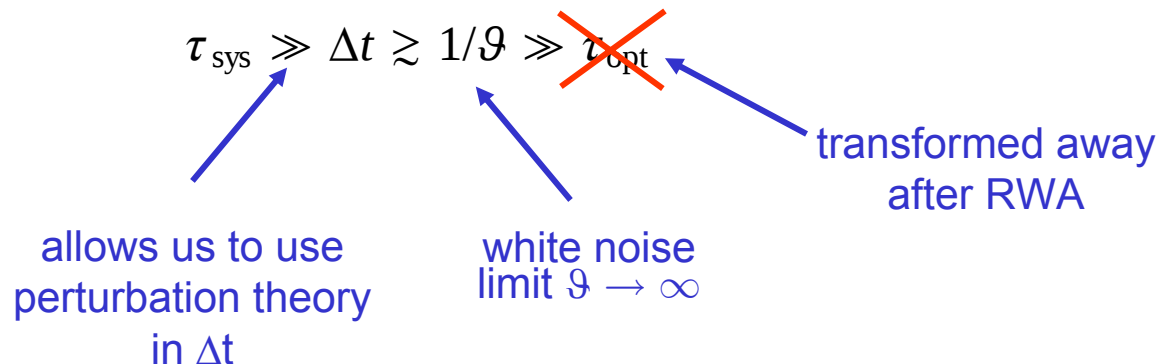
Integration in small timesteps

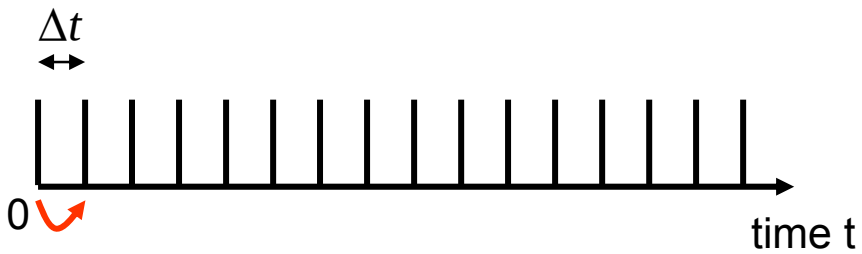
- We integrate the Schrödinger equation in small time steps



$$|\Psi(t = t_f)\rangle = U(\Delta t_f) \dots U(\Delta t_1) U(\Delta t_0) |\Psi(0)\rangle$$

- Remark: choice of time step



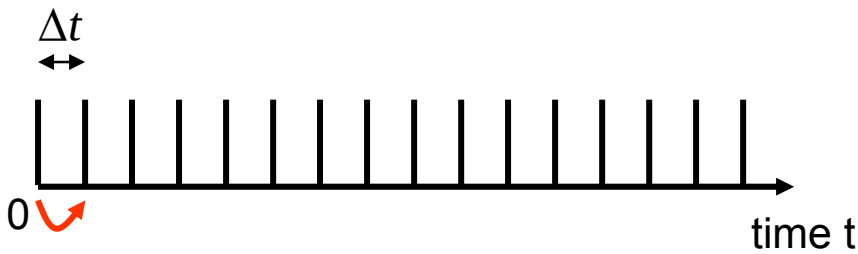


- **First time step:** first order in Δt

$$U(\Delta t)|\Psi(0)\rangle = \left\{ \hat{1} - iH_{\text{sys}}\Delta t + \sqrt{\gamma} c \int_0^{\Delta t} b^\dagger(t) dt - \sqrt{\gamma} c^\dagger \int_0^{\Delta t} b(t) dt \right.$$

$\dots \} |\Psi(0)\rangle$

$|\psi\rangle \otimes |\text{vac}\rangle$

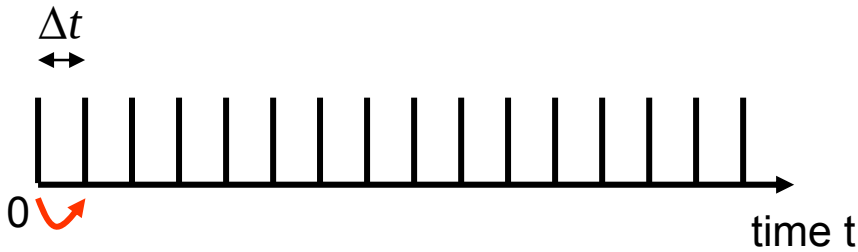


- **First time step:** first order in Δt

$$U(\Delta t)|\Psi(0)\rangle = \left\{ \hat{1} - iH_{\text{sys}}\Delta t + \sqrt{\gamma} c \int_0^{\Delta t} b^\dagger(t) dt - \sqrt{\gamma} c^\dagger \int_0^{\Delta t} \cancel{b(t)} dt \right. \\ \left. + (-i)^2 \gamma c^\dagger c \int_0^{\Delta t} dt \int_0^{t_2} dt' b(t) b^\dagger(t') + \dots \right\} |\Psi(0)\rangle$$

$\swarrow$
 $|\psi\rangle \otimes |\text{vac}\rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^t dt_2 \int_0^{t_2} dt_1 b(t_2) b^\dagger(t_1) |\text{vac}\rangle &= \int_0^t dt_2 \int_0^{t_2} dt_1 [b(t_2), b^\dagger(t_1)] |\text{vac}\rangle \\ &= \int_0^t dt_2 \int_0^{t_2} dt_1 \delta(t_2 - t_1) |\text{vac}\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \Delta t |\text{vac}\rangle \quad \text{first order in } \Delta t \end{aligned}$$



- **First time step:** to first order in Δt

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\Psi(\Delta t)\rangle &= \hat{U}(\Delta t)|\Psi(0)\rangle \\
 &= \left\{ \hat{1} - iH_{\text{eff}}\Delta t + \sqrt{\gamma} c\Delta B(0)^\dagger \right\} |\Psi(0)\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

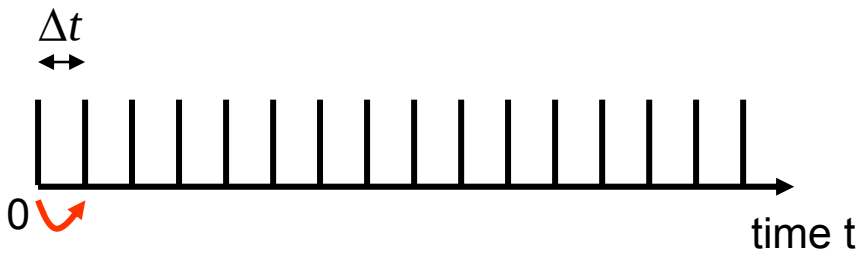
We define:

- effective (non-hermitian) system Hamiltonian

$$H_{\text{eff}} := H_{\text{sys}} - \frac{i}{2} \gamma c^\dagger c$$

- annihilation / creation operator for a photon in the time slot Δt :

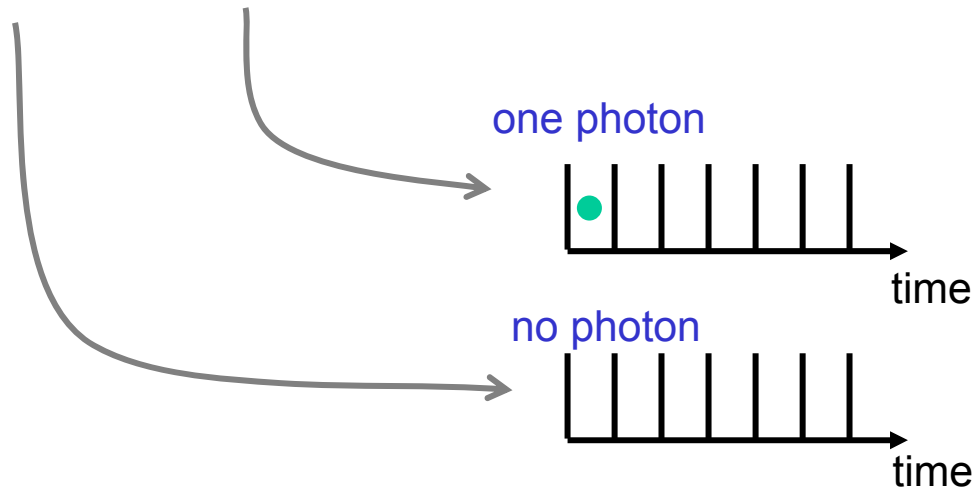
$$\Delta B(t) := \int_t^{t+\Delta t} b(s) ds$$



- **First time step:** to first order in Δt

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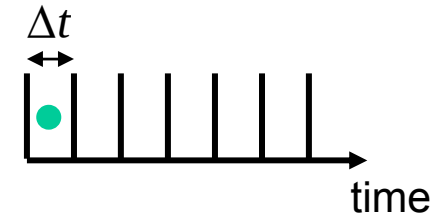
interpretation: superposition of vacuum and one-photon state



Discussion:

annihilation / creation operator for a photon in the time slot Δt :

$$\Delta B(t) := \int_t^{t+\Delta t} b(s) ds$$

**Remarks and properties:**

- commutation relations:

$$[\Delta B(t), \Delta B^\dagger(t')] = \begin{cases} \Delta t & t = t' \text{ overlapping intervals} \\ 0 & t \neq t' \text{ nonoverlapping intervals} \end{cases}$$

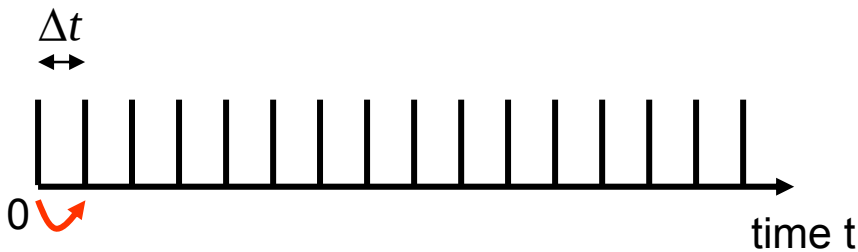
- one-photon wave packet in time slot Δt

$$\frac{\Delta B^\dagger(t)}{\sqrt{\Delta t}} |\text{vac}\rangle \equiv |1\rangle_t \quad (\text{normalized})$$

- number operator of photon in time slot t :

$$N(t) = \frac{\Delta B^\dagger(t)}{\sqrt{\Delta t}} \frac{\Delta B(t)}{\sqrt{\Delta t}}$$

- $N(t)$ as set up commuting operators, $[N(t), N(t')] = 0$, which can be measured "simultaneously"



1st time step:

quantum
operations

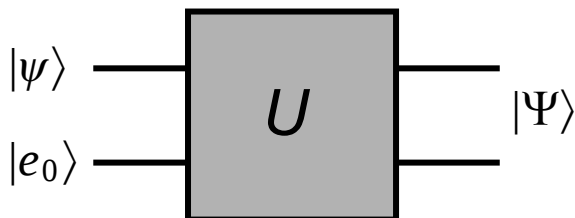
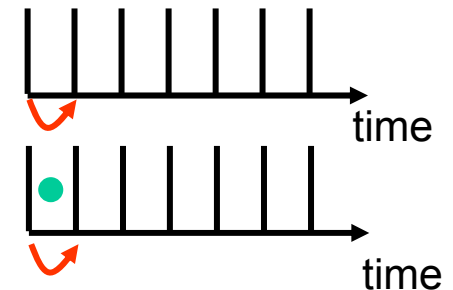
- **Summary of first time step:** to first order in Δt

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\Psi(\Delta t)\rangle &= \left[1 - iH_{\text{eff}} \Delta t + \sqrt{\gamma} c \Delta B^\dagger(0) \right] |\Psi(0)\rangle \\
 &= |\text{vac}\rangle \otimes (1 - iH_{\text{eff}} \Delta t) |\psi(0)\rangle + |1\rangle_t \otimes (\sqrt{\gamma \Delta t} c |\psi(0)\rangle) \\
 &\equiv |\text{vac}\rangle \otimes E_0 |\psi(0)\rangle + |1\rangle_t \otimes E_1 |\psi(0)\rangle \quad \text{operation elements}
 \end{aligned}$$

where we read off the operation elements

$$E_0 = 1 - iH_{\text{eff}} \Delta t \quad (\text{no photon})$$

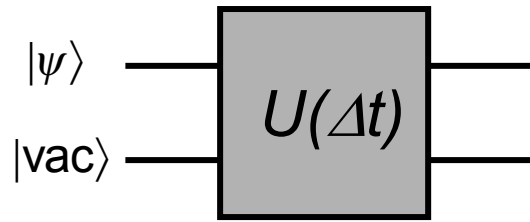
$$E_1 = \sqrt{\gamma \Delta t} c \quad (1 \text{ photon})$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 |\psi\rangle |e_0\rangle &\rightarrow |\Psi\rangle = U |\psi\rangle |e_0\rangle \\
 &= \sum_k |e_k\rangle \langle e_k| U |e_0\rangle |\psi\rangle \equiv \sum_k |e_k\rangle E_k |\psi\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

Discussion 1:

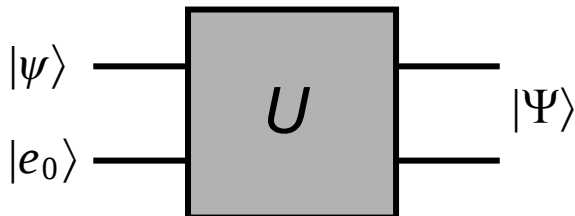
- **We do not read the detector:** reduced density operator



$$\begin{aligned}
 \rho(\Delta t) &= \text{tr}_B |\Psi(\Delta t)\rangle \langle \Psi(\Delta t)| \\
 &= E_0 \rho(0) E_0^\dagger + E_1 \rho(0) E_1^\dagger \\
 &= \underbrace{\left(1 - iH_{\text{eff}}\Delta t\right) \rho(0) \left(1 - iH_{\text{eff}}\Delta t\right)^\dagger}_{\text{no photon}} + \underbrace{\gamma c \rho(0) c^\dagger \Delta t}_{\text{one photon}}
 \end{aligned}$$

master equation:

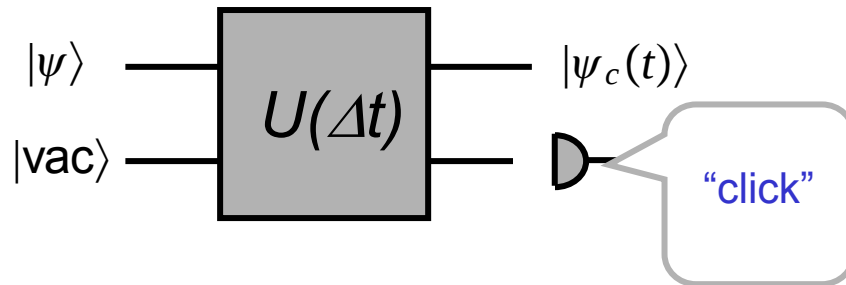
$$\begin{aligned}
 \rho(\Delta t) - \rho(0) &= -i \left(H_{\text{eff}} \rho(0) - \rho(0) H_{\text{eff}}^\dagger \right) \Delta t + \gamma c \rho(0) c^\dagger \Delta t \\
 &\equiv -i [H_{\text{sys}}, \rho(0)] \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} \gamma (2c \rho(0) c^\dagger - c^\dagger c \rho(0) - \rho(0) c^\dagger c) \Delta t
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 \rho \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(\rho) &= \text{tr}_{\text{env}} [U(\rho \otimes |e_0\rangle \langle e_0|) U^\dagger] \\
 &= \sum_k E_k \rho E_k^\dagger
 \end{aligned}$$

Discussion 2:

- **We read the detector:**



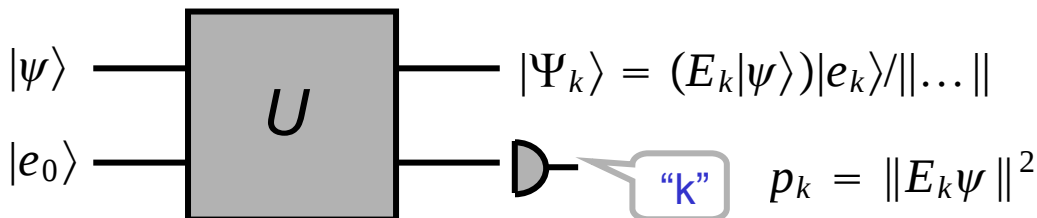
- **Click: resulting state**

$$E_1|\psi(0)\rangle \equiv |\psi^{\text{click}}(\Delta t)\rangle = \sqrt{\gamma\Delta t} \overset{\text{quantum jump operator}}{c}|\psi(0)\rangle \quad (\text{quantum jump})$$

with probability

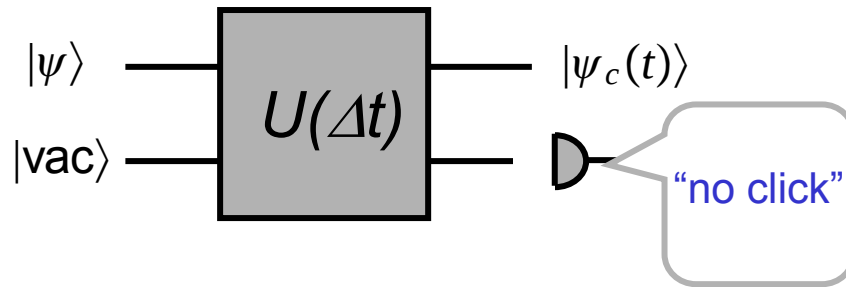
$$p^{\text{click}} = \text{tr}_{\text{sys}}(E_1\rho(0)E_1) = \gamma\Delta t \|c\psi(0)\|^2$$

Rem.: density matrix $\rho_1(0) = E_1\rho(0)E_1/\text{tr}(\dots)$



Discussion 2:

- **We read the detector:**



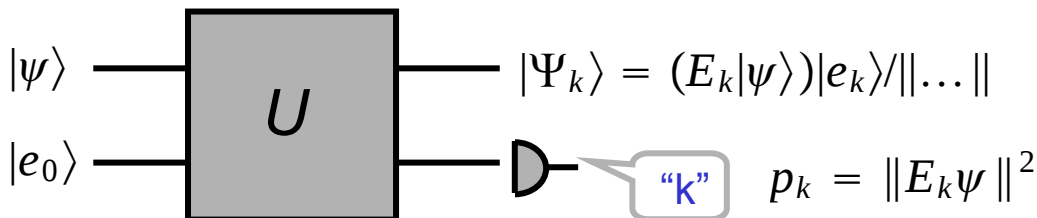
- **No click: resulting state**

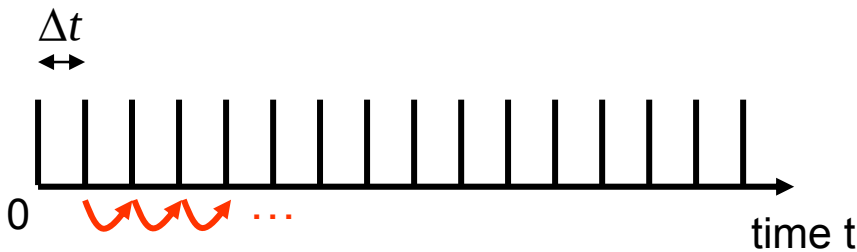
decaying norm

$$E_0|\psi(0)\rangle \equiv |\psi^{\text{no click}}(\Delta t)\rangle = (1 - iH_{\text{eff}}\Delta t)|\psi(0)\rangle \approx e^{-iH_{\text{eff}}\Delta t}|\psi(0)\rangle$$

with probability

$$p^{\text{no click}} = \text{tr}_{\text{sys}}(E_0\rho(0)E_0) = \|e^{-iH_{\text{eff}}\Delta t}\psi(0)\|^2$$





- **Second and more time steps:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\Psi(n\Delta t)\rangle &= \left[1 - iH_{\text{eff}}\Delta t + \sqrt{\gamma} c \Delta B^\dagger((n-1)\Delta t) \right] |\Psi((n-1)\Delta t)\rangle \\
 &\equiv \left[1 - iH_{\text{eff}}\Delta t + \sqrt{\gamma} c \Delta B^\dagger((n-1)\Delta t) \right] \times \\
 &\quad \dots \times \left[1 - iH_{\text{eff}}\Delta t + \sqrt{\gamma} c \Delta B^\dagger(0) \right] |\Psi(0)\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

stroboscopic
integration

- ✓ Note: remember ... commute in different time slots

$$[\Delta B(t), \Delta B^\dagger(t')] = \begin{cases} \Delta t & t = t' \quad \text{overlapping intervals} \\ 0 & t \neq t' \quad \text{nonoverlapping intervals} \end{cases}$$

Final result for solution of SSE

- Wave function of the system + environment: entangled state

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\Psi(t)\rangle &= |\text{vac}\rangle \otimes e^{-iH_{\text{eff}}t}|\psi(0)\rangle \\
 &+ (\gamma\Delta t)^{1/2} \sum_{t_1} |1_{t_1}\rangle \otimes e^{-iH_{\text{eff}}(t-t_1)} c e^{-iH_{\text{eff}}t_1} |\psi(0)\rangle \\
 &+ \dots \\
 &+ (\gamma\Delta t)^{n/2} \sum_{t_n > \dots > t_1} |1_{t_1} 1_{t_2} \dots 1_{t_n}\rangle \otimes e^{-iH_{\text{eff}}(t-t_n)} c \dots c e^{-iH_{\text{eff}}t_1} |\psi(0)\rangle \\
 &\dots
 \end{aligned}$$

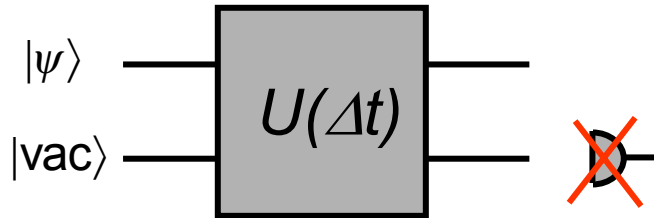
1. system time evolution $|\psi(t|t_1 t_2 \dots t_n)\rangle$ for a specific count sequence
2. photon count statistics: probability densities

$$p_{(0,t]}(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n) = \|\psi(t|t_1 t_2 \dots t_n)\|^2$$

click: $|\psi_t\rangle \rightarrow \sqrt{\gamma} c |\psi_{t+\Delta t}\rangle$

no click: $|\psi_0\rangle \rightarrow |\psi_t\rangle = e^{-iH_{\text{eff}}t} |\psi_0\rangle$

- Tracing over the environment we obtain the master equation



$$\frac{d}{dt}\rho(t) = -i[H_{\text{sys}}, \rho(t)] + \frac{1}{2}\gamma(2c\rho(t)c^\dagger - c^\dagger c\rho(t) - \rho(t)c^\dagger c)$$

master equation

- ✓ Lindblad form
- ✓ coarse grained time derivative

For theorists ...

Ito-Quantum Stochastic Schrödinger Equation

- taking the limit ...

$$\Delta t \rightarrow dt$$

$$\Delta B(t) \rightarrow dB(t)$$

$$\Delta B^\dagger(t) \rightarrow dB^\dagger(t)$$

Ito operator noise
increments

- Quantum Stochastic Schrödinger Equation

$$d|\Psi(t)\rangle = \left[-\frac{i}{\hbar} H_{\text{sys}} dt + \sqrt{\gamma} c dB^\dagger(t) - \sqrt{\gamma} c^\dagger dB(t) \right] |\Psi(t)\rangle$$

- Properties of Ito increments:

– point to the future:

$$dB(t)|\Psi(t)\rangle = 0$$

– Ito rules:

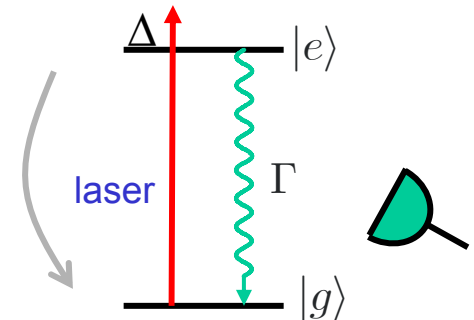
$$[dB(t)]^2 = [dB^\dagger(t)]^2 = 0,$$

$$dB(t) dB^\dagger(t) = dt,$$

$$dB^\dagger(t) dB(t) = 0.$$

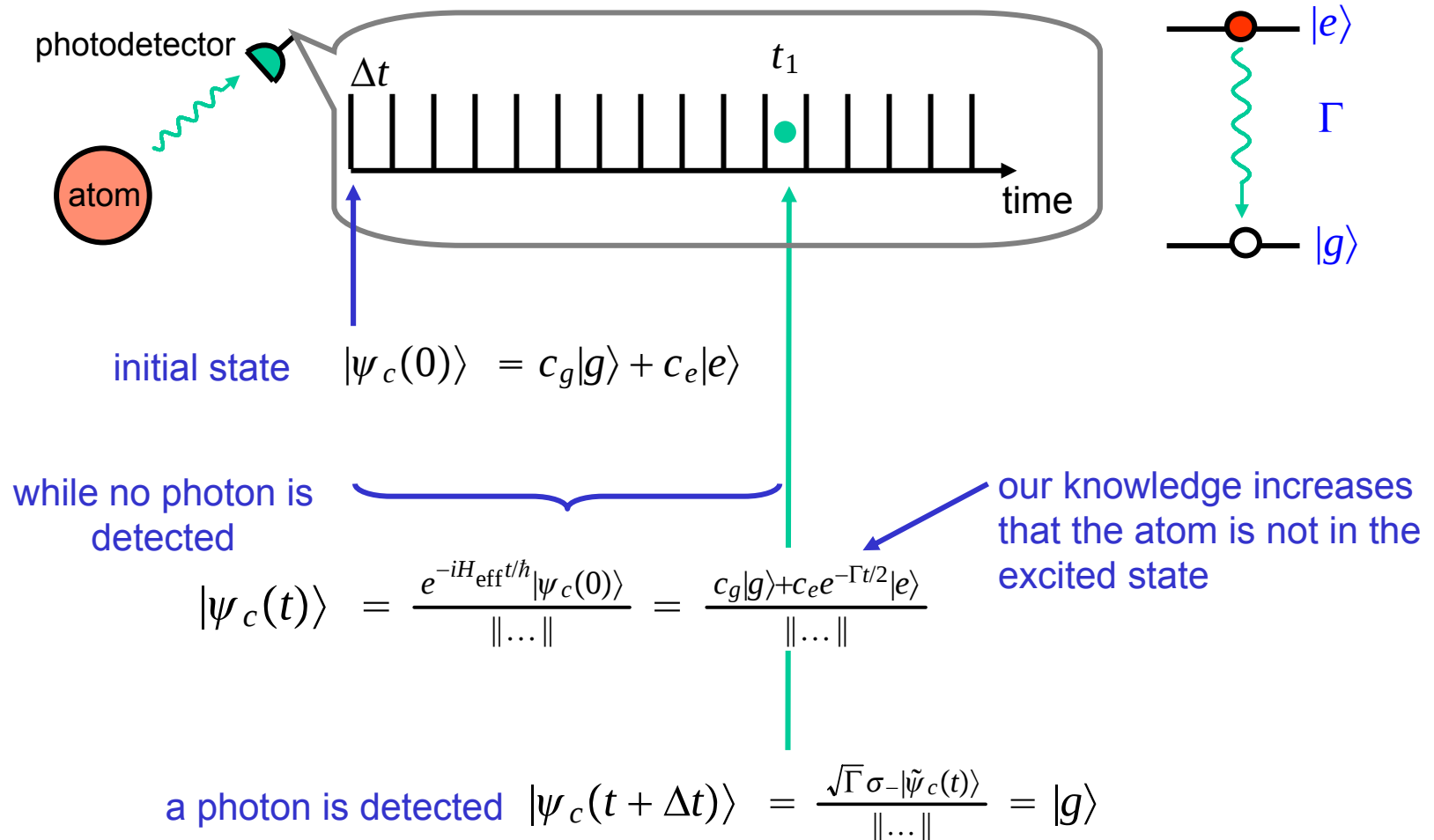
4. Examples:

- Two-level atom undergoing spontaneous emission
- Driven two-level atom: Optical Bloch Equations



- laser cooling and reservoir engineering of single trapped ion
 - ground state cooling
 - squeezed state generation by reservoir engineering

Example 1: two-level atom undergoing spontaneous decay



probability that a photon is detected in $(t, t+\Delta t]$ $\mathcal{P}_1^{(t, t+\Delta t]} = \Gamma |c_e|^2 e^{-\Gamma t} \Delta t$

Example 2: driven two-level atom + spontaneous emission

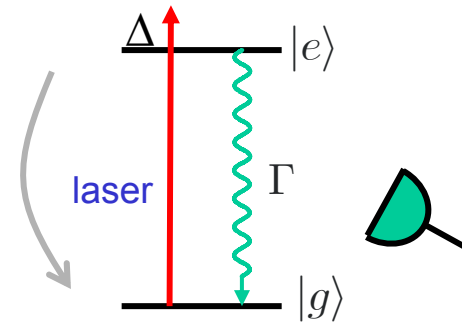
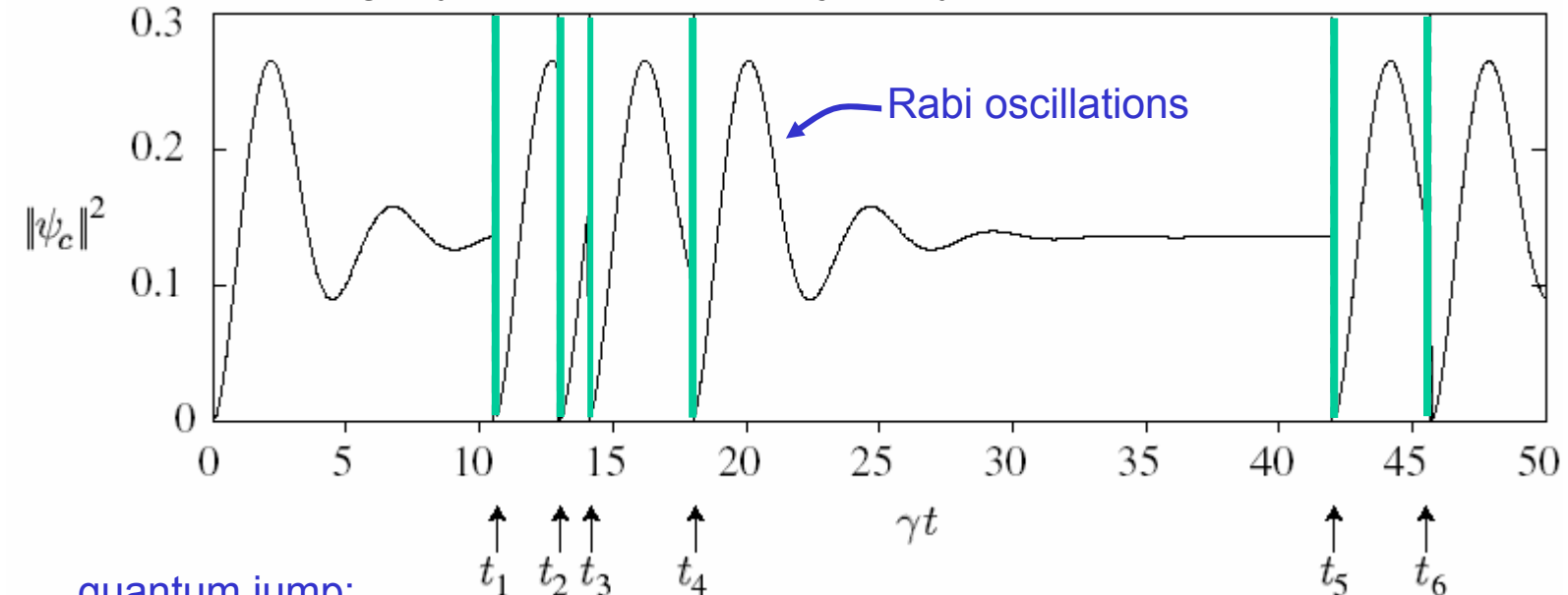


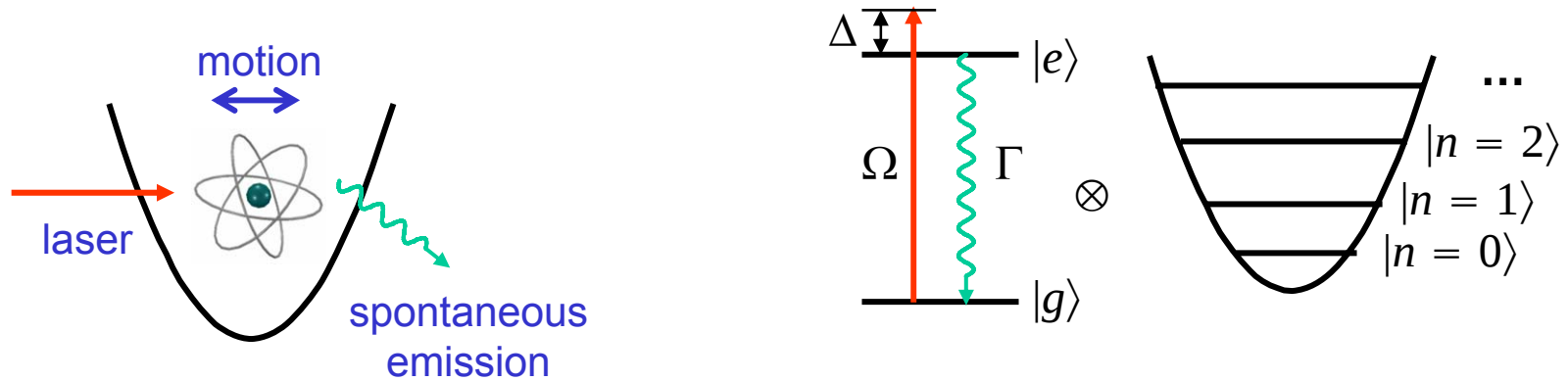
Fig.: typical quantum trajectory: upper state population



quantum jump:
electron returns to the
ground state

(prepares the system)

Example 3: laser cooling of a trapped ion

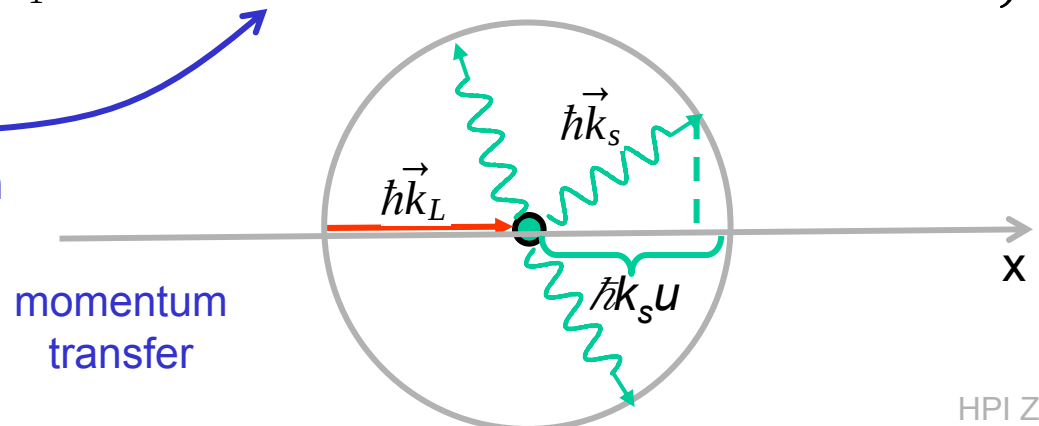


$$H_{\text{sys}} = \left(\frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} m \nu^2 \hat{X}^2 \right) - \Delta |e\rangle\langle e| - \left(\frac{1}{2} \Omega e^{ik\hat{X}} \sigma_- + \text{h.c.} \right)$$

- Master equation (1D):

$$\frac{d}{dt} \rho = -i[H_{\text{sys}}, \rho] + \frac{1}{2} \Gamma \left(2 \int_{-1}^{+1} du N(u) \left(e^{ik\hat{X}u} \sigma_- \right) \rho \left(\sigma_+ e^{ik\hat{X}u} \right) - \sigma_+ \sigma_- \rho - \rho \sigma_+ \sigma_- \right)$$

quantum jump operator:
recoil from spontaneous emission



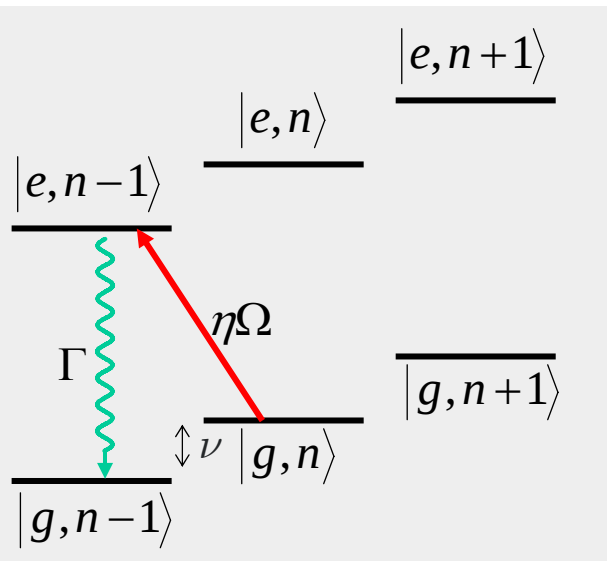
- Lamb-Dicke limit: adiabatic elimination of internal dynamics

$$\dot{\rho} = A_+ \left(a \rho a^\dagger - \frac{1}{2} a^\dagger a \rho - \rho \frac{1}{2} a^\dagger a \right) + A_- \left(a^\dagger \rho a - \frac{1}{2} a a^\dagger \rho - \rho \frac{1}{2} a a^\dagger \right)$$

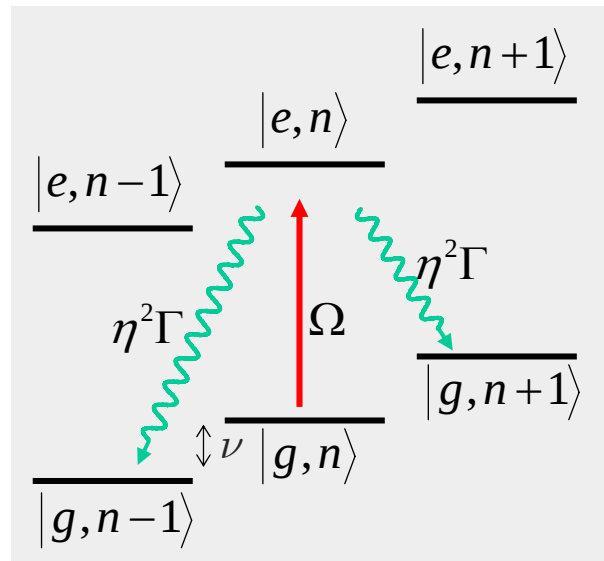
cooling term

heating term

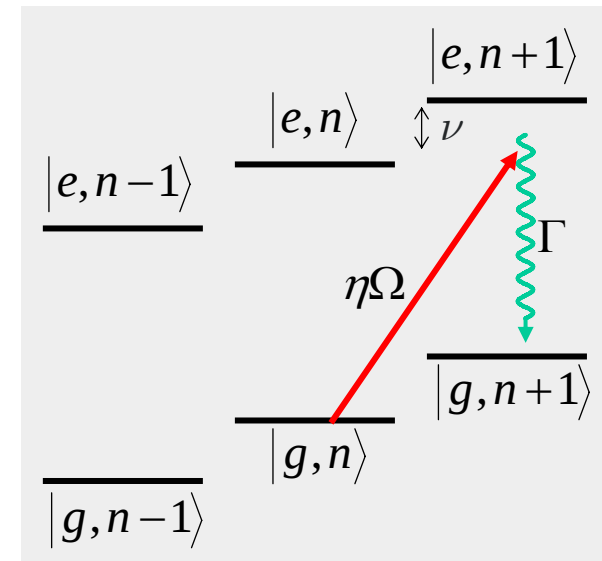
- processes contributing at low intensity



cooling $2 \operatorname{Re} S(-\nu)$



diffusion D

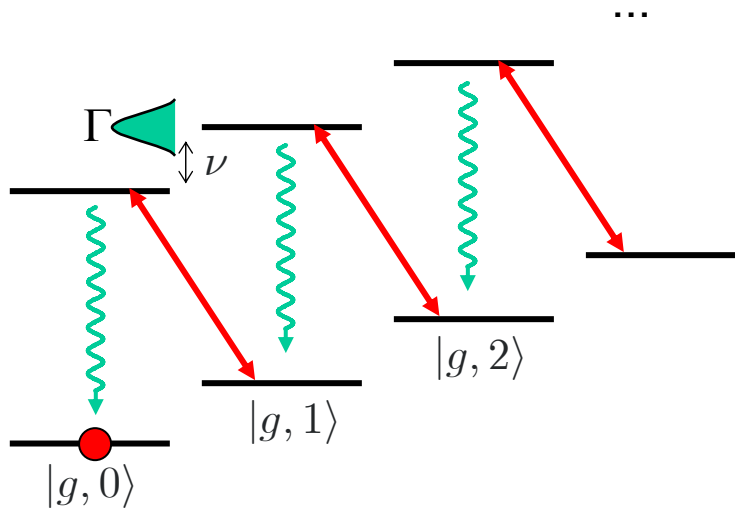


heating $2 \operatorname{Re} S(+\nu)$

$$A_\pm = 2 \operatorname{Re} [S(\mp \nu) + D]$$

sideband cooling

- ... as optical pumping to the ground state



- master equation

$$\dot{\rho} = A_+ \left(a \rho a^\dagger - \frac{1}{2} a^\dagger a \rho - \rho \frac{1}{2} a^\dagger a \right) \quad (A_+ \gg A_-)$$

- final state

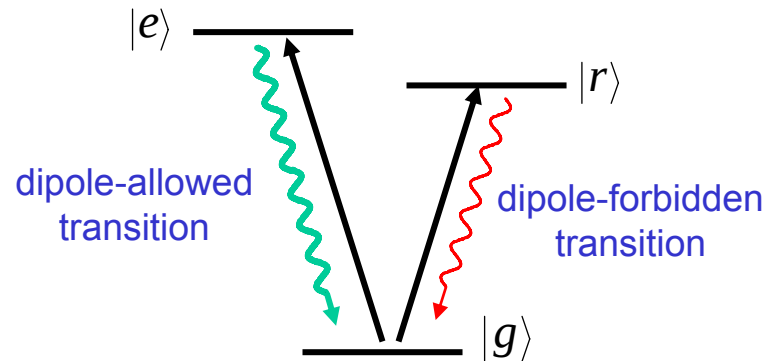
$$\rho_{\text{osc}} \rightarrow |0\rangle\langle 0| \quad (\Gamma \ll \nu, \text{ sideband cooling})$$

"dark state" of the jump operator a :

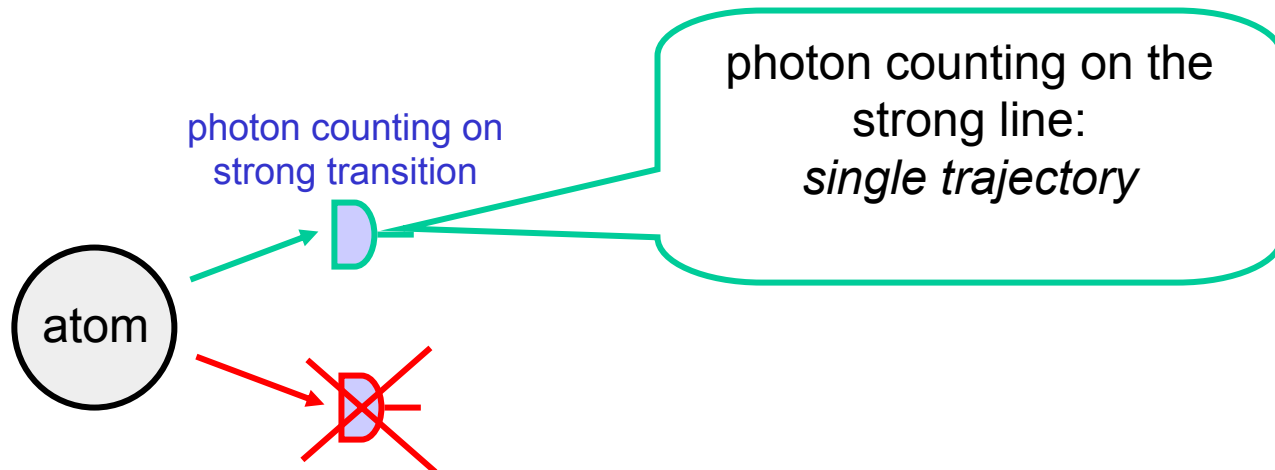
$$a|0\rangle = 0$$

Example 4: State measurement & quantum jumps in 3-level systems

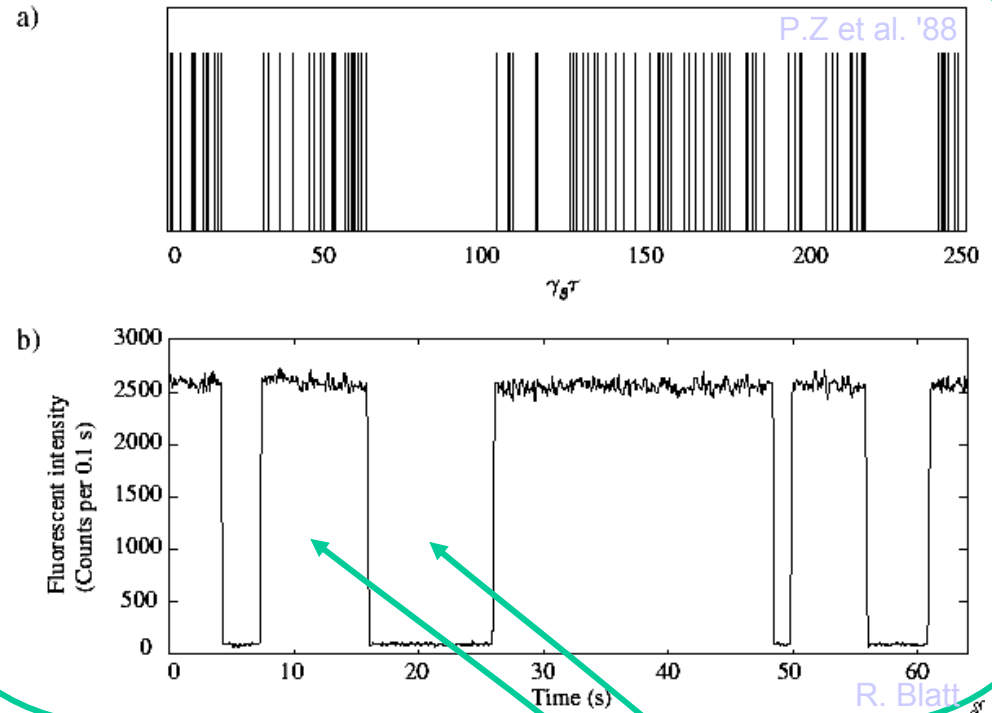
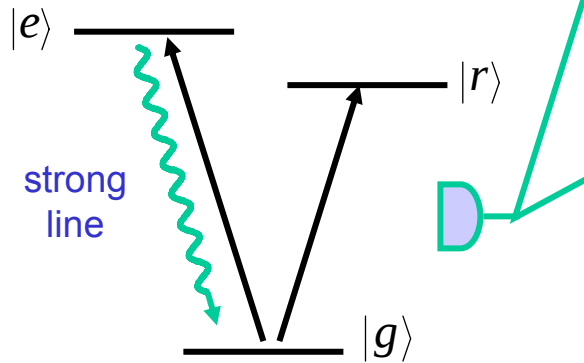
- three level atom



- single atom photon counting



photon counting on strong transition



- ✓ atomic density matrix conditional to observing an emission window

$$\rho_c(t) \longrightarrow |r\rangle\langle r| \quad \text{preparation in metastable state}$$

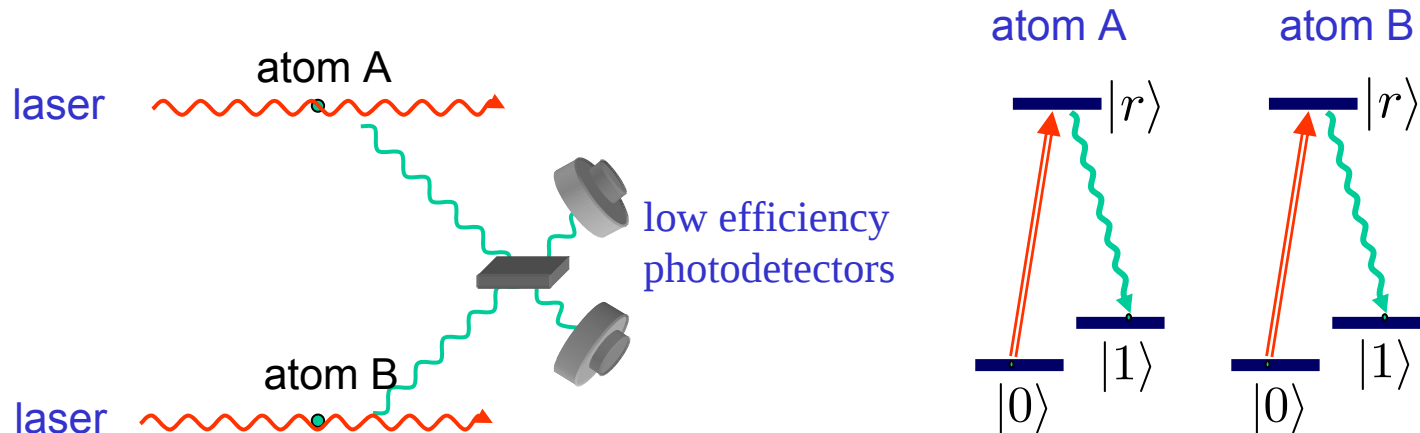
- ✓ state measurement with 100% efficiency

$$\psi = \alpha|g\rangle + \beta|r\rangle \quad \begin{array}{ll} |\alpha|^2 & \dots \text{probability NO window} \\ |\beta|^2 & \dots \text{probability window} \end{array}$$

here: with a weak driving field $g - r$

Example 5: Preparation of 2 atoms in a Bell state via measurement

- **System:** two atoms with ground states $|0\rangle$, $|1\rangle$ and excited state $|r\rangle$



- Weak (short) laser pulse, so that the excitation probability is small.
- If no detection, pump back and start again.
- If detection, an entangled state is created.

$$\sim |0, 1\rangle + |1, 0\rangle$$

for a first exp step:
Monroe et al, Nature 2004

Process:

- preparation (by optical pumping)

$$|\Psi(t = 0)\rangle = |\text{vac}\rangle|0\rangle_1|0\rangle_2$$

- excitation by a weak short laser pulse

$$\begin{aligned} |\Psi(t = 0^+)\rangle &= |\text{vac}\rangle (|0\rangle_2 + \epsilon|r\rangle_2)(|0\rangle_2 + \epsilon|r\rangle_2) \\ &= |\text{vac}\rangle [|0\rangle_1|0\rangle_2 + \epsilon(|r\rangle_1|0\rangle_2 + |0\rangle_1|r\rangle_2) + O(\epsilon^2)] \end{aligned}$$

- spontaneous emission

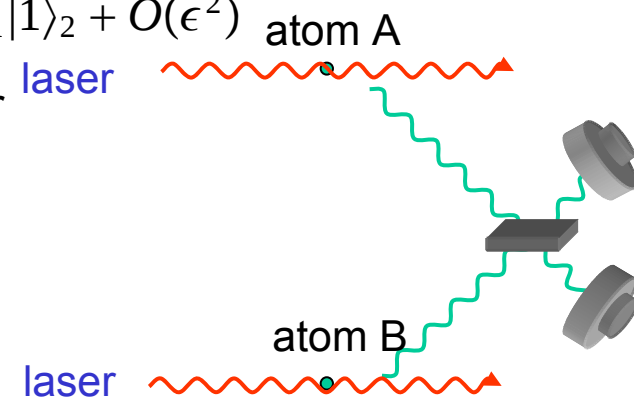
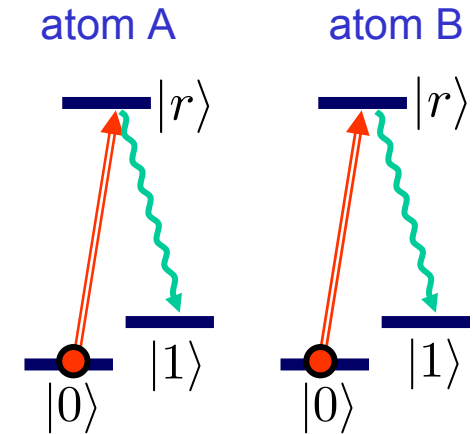
$$\begin{aligned} |\Psi(t > 0^+)\rangle &= [|0\rangle_1|0\rangle_2 + \epsilon e^{-\gamma t/2} (|r\rangle_1|0\rangle_2 + |0\rangle_1|r\rangle_2)] \otimes |\text{vac}\rangle \\ &+ \sum_{t_1} \Delta B_1^\dagger(t_1) |\text{vac}\rangle \otimes \epsilon \sqrt{\gamma} e^{-\gamma t_1/2} |1\rangle_1|0\rangle_2 \\ &+ \Delta B_2^\dagger(t_1) |\text{vac}\rangle \otimes \epsilon \sqrt{\gamma} e^{-\gamma t_1/2} |0\rangle_1|1\rangle_2 + O(\epsilon^2) \end{aligned}$$

- We observe the fluorescence through a beam splitter

$$\Delta B_{1,2}^\dagger \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\Delta B_1^\dagger \pm \Delta B_2^\dagger)$$

- Observation of a click prepares Bell state

$$|1\rangle_1|0\rangle_2 + |0\rangle_1|1\rangle_2$$



5. Cascaded Quantum Systems

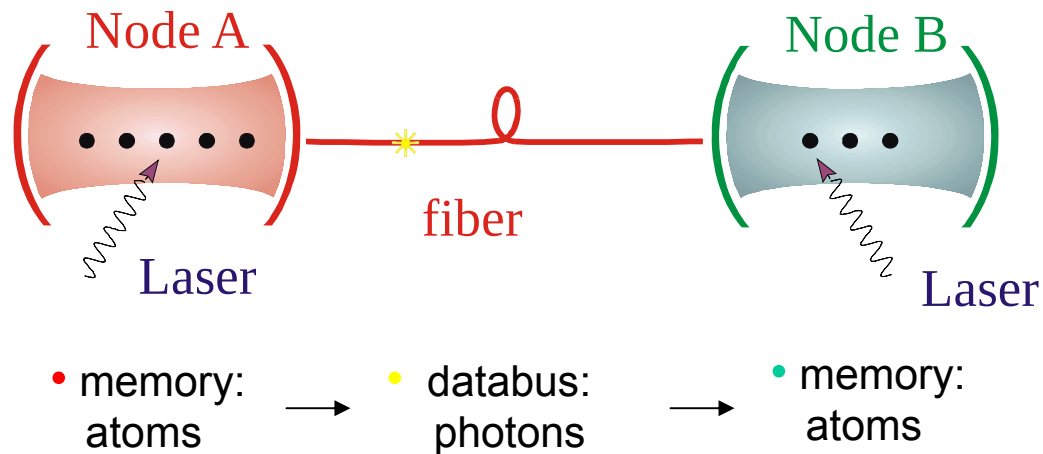
- formal theory
- example
 - optical interconnects

Motivation: Theory of Optical Interconnects

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- A cavity QED implementation

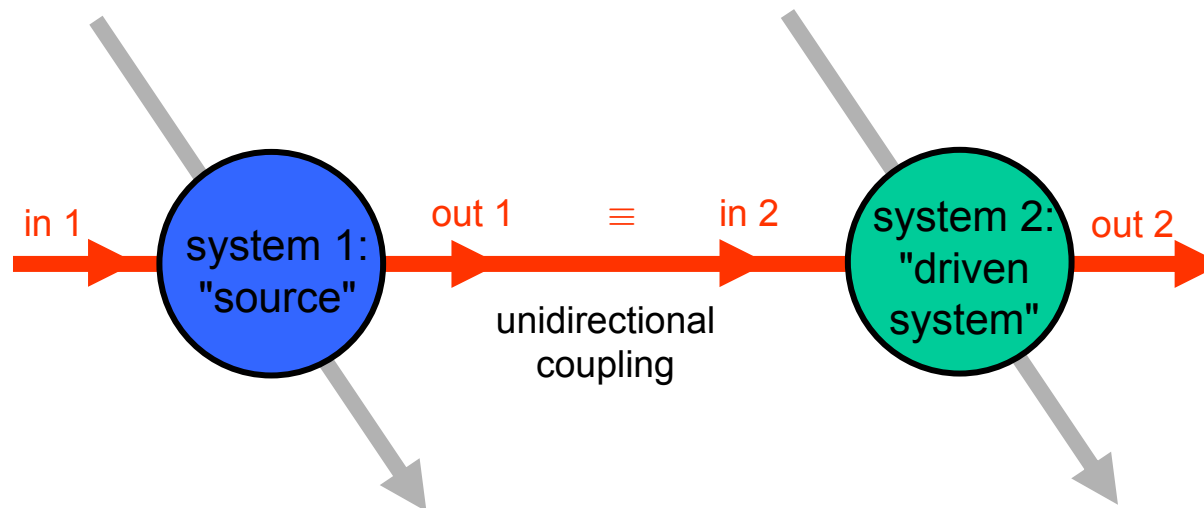
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- We call this protocol *photonic channel*

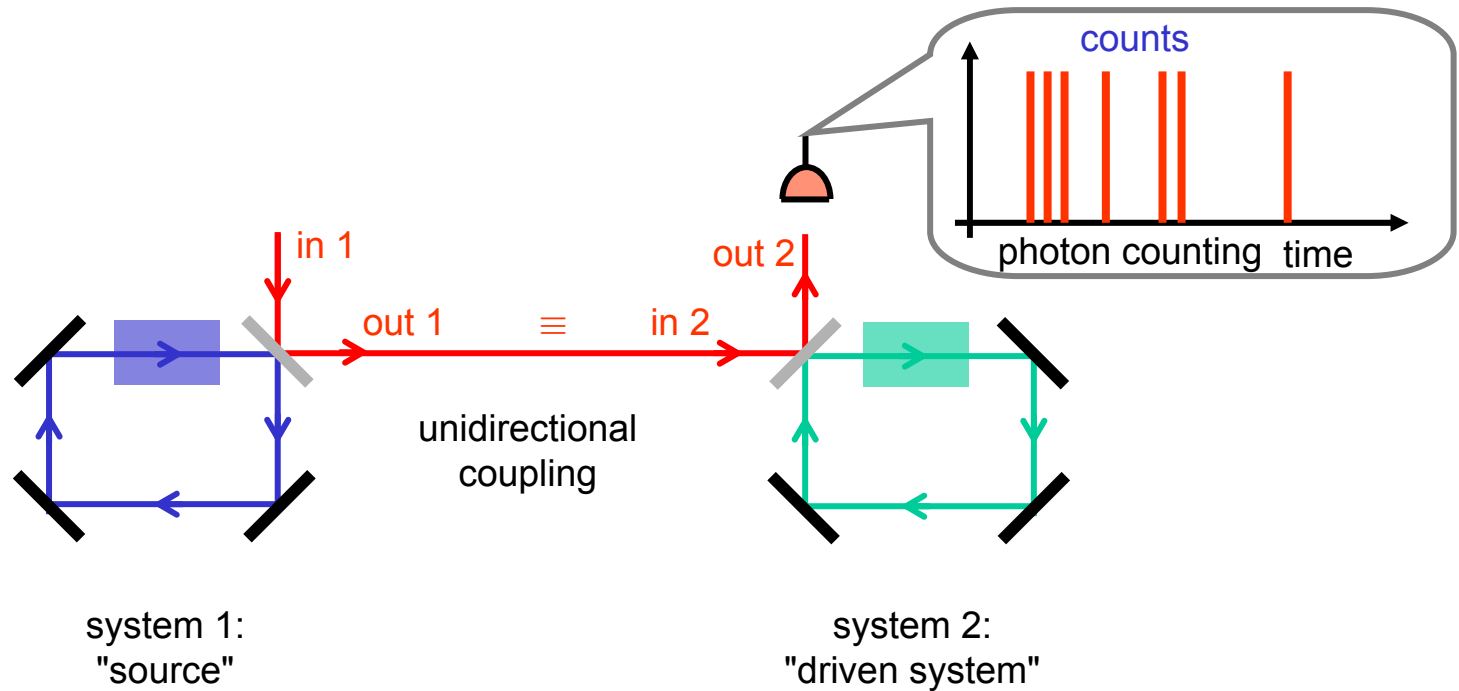
Cascaded Quantum Systems

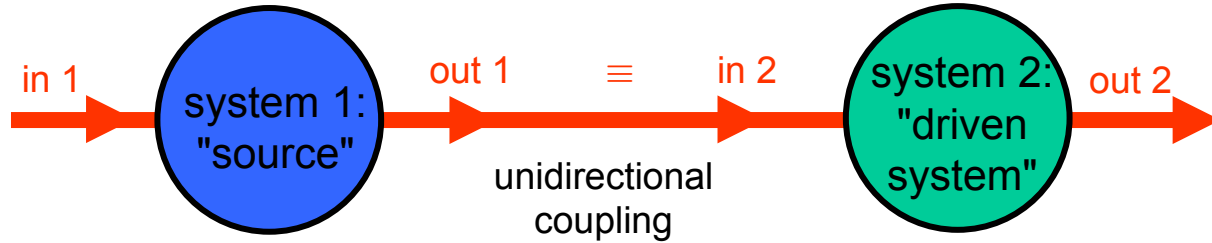
- cascaded quantum system = first quantum system drives a second quantum system: *unidirectional* coupling



Cascaded Quantum Systems

- example of a cascaded quantum system





Hamiltonian

$$H = H_{\text{sys}}(1) + H_{\text{sys}}(2) + H_B + H_{\text{int}}$$

$$H_B = \int_{\omega_0 - \mathcal{G}}^{\omega_0 + \mathcal{G}} d\omega \hbar \omega b^\dagger(\omega) b(\omega)$$

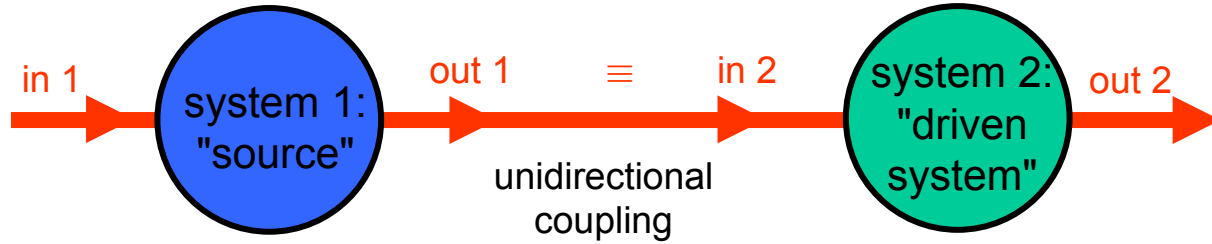
with $b(\omega)$ the annihilation operator

$$[b(\omega), b^\dagger(\omega')] = \delta(\omega - \omega')$$

interaction part

$$H_{\text{int}}^{(\mathcal{G})}(t) = i\hbar \int d\omega \kappa_1(\omega) [b^\dagger(\omega) e^{-i\omega/cx_1} c_1 - c_1^\dagger b(\omega) e^{+i\omega/cx_1}] + i\hbar \int d\omega \kappa_2(\omega) [b^\dagger(\omega) e^{-i\omega/cx_2} c_2 - c_2^\dagger b(\omega) e^{+i\omega/cx_2}] \quad (x_2 > x_1)$$

position of first system
position of second system



interaction picture

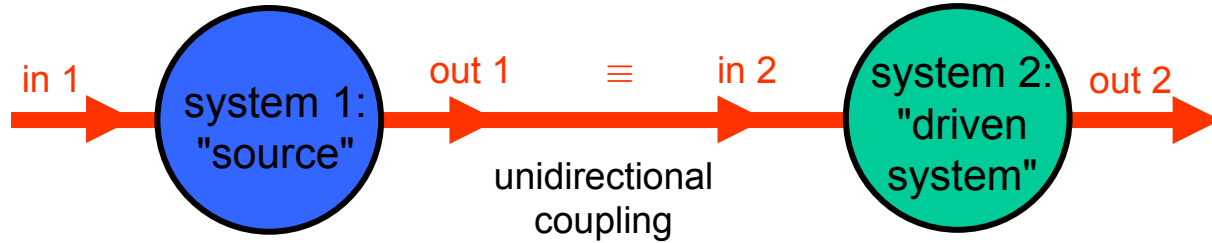
$$H_{\text{int}}(t) = i\hbar \sqrt{\gamma_1} [b^\dagger(t)c_1 - b(t)c_1^\dagger] + i\hbar \sqrt{\gamma_2} [b^\dagger(t^-)c_2 - b(t^-)c_2^\dagger]$$

with $t^- = t - \tau$ where $\tau \rightarrow 0^+$

$$b(t) \equiv b_{\text{in}}(t) := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega b(\omega) e^{-i(\omega - \omega_0)t}$$

time delay





Stratonovich SSE

$$\frac{d}{dt} \Psi(t) = \left\{ -\frac{i}{\hbar} (H_{\text{sys}}(1) + H_{\text{sys}}(2)) + \right. \\ \left. + \sqrt{\gamma_1} [b^\dagger(t)c_1 - b(t)c_1^\dagger] + \sqrt{\gamma_2} [b^\dagger(t^-)c_2 - b(t^-)c_2^\dagger] \right\} \Psi(t)$$

time delay
↙

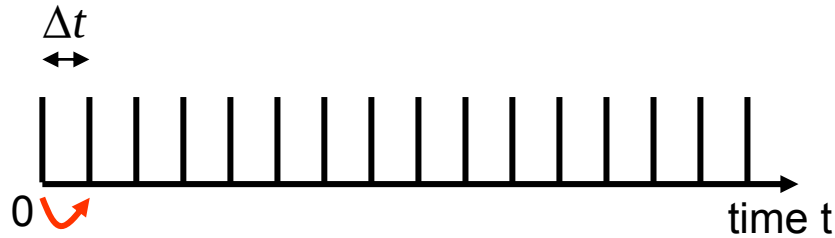
Initial condition:

$$|\Psi\rangle = |\psi\rangle \otimes |\text{vac}\rangle$$

Notation:

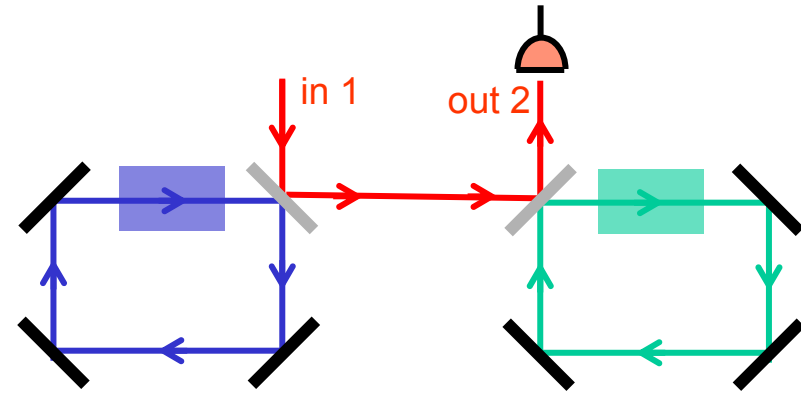
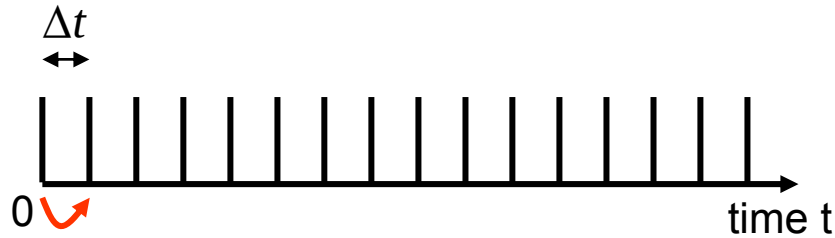
$$\sqrt{\gamma_1} c_1 \rightarrow c_1, \quad \sqrt{\gamma_2} c_2 \rightarrow c_2, \quad \hbar = 1$$

First time step



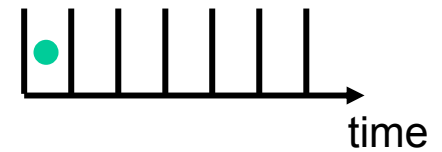
$$\begin{aligned}
 U(\Delta t)|\Psi(0)\rangle &= \left\{ \hat{1} - i[H(1) + H(2)]\Delta t + (c_2 + c_1) \int_0^{\Delta t} dt b^\dagger(t) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. (-i)^2 \int_0^{\Delta t} dt_1 \int_0^{t_2} dt_2 \underbrace{(-b(t_1)c_1^\dagger - b(t_1^-)c_2^\dagger)}_{\text{destruction}} \underbrace{(b^\dagger(t_2)c_1 + b^\dagger(t_2^-)c_2)}_{\text{creation}} + \dots \right\} |\Psi(0)\rangle \\
 &= \int_0^{\Delta t} dt_1 \int_0^{t_2} dt_2 (-\delta(t_1 - t_2)c_1^\dagger c_1 + \delta(t_1 - t_2 + \tau)c_1^\dagger c_2 \\
 &\quad \text{time delay!} \longrightarrow -\delta(t_1 - \tau - t_2)c_2^\dagger c_1 - \delta(t_1 - t_2)c_2^\dagger c_2)|\text{vac}\rangle \\
 &= \left(-\frac{1}{2}c_1^\dagger c_1 + 0 - \underbrace{c_2^\dagger c_1}_{\text{reabsorption}} - \frac{1}{2}c_2^\dagger c_2 \right) |\text{vac}\rangle \Delta t
 \end{aligned}$$

First time step



$$U(\Delta t)|\Psi(0)\rangle = \left\{ \hat{1} - iH_{\text{eff}}\Delta t + (c_2 + c_1)\Delta B^\dagger(0) \right\} |\Psi(0)\rangle$$

one photon



no photon



- effective Hamiltonian

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\text{eff}} &= H(1) + H(2) - i\frac{1}{2}c_1^\dagger c_1 - i\frac{1}{2}c_2^\dagger c_2 - \underline{ic_2^\dagger c_1} \text{ reabsorption} \\ &= \left\{ H(1) + H(2) + \underline{i\frac{1}{2}(c_1^\dagger c_2 - c_2^\dagger c_1)} \right\} - \underline{i\frac{1}{2}c^\dagger c} \quad (\text{with } c = c_2 + c_1) \end{aligned}$$

hermitian decay

- we identify $(c_2 + c_1)$ with the "jump operator"

Summary of results:

- Ito-type stochastic Schrödinger equation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 d|\Psi(t)\rangle &= |\Psi(t+dt)\rangle - |\Psi(t)\rangle \\
 &= \left\{ \hat{1} - iH_{\text{eff}}dt + (c_1 + c_2)dB^\dagger(t) \right\} |\Psi(0)\rangle \\
 &\quad \uparrow \\
 H_{\text{eff}} &= H_{\text{sys}} + i\frac{1}{2}(c_1^\dagger c_2 - c_2^\dagger c_1) - i\frac{1}{2}c^\dagger c
 \end{aligned}$$

- master equation for source + system:

Version 1:

$$\frac{d}{dt}\rho = -i(H_{\text{eff}}\rho - \rho H_{\text{eff}}^\dagger) + \frac{1}{2}(2c\rho c^\dagger - c^\dagger c\rho - \rho c^\dagger c) \quad \text{Lindblad form}$$

Version 2:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d}{dt}\rho &= -i[H_{\text{sys}}, \rho] \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2}\{2c_1\rho c_1^\dagger - \rho c_1^\dagger c_1 - c_1^\dagger c_1\rho\} + \frac{1}{2}\{2c_2\rho c_2^\dagger - \rho c_2^\dagger c_2 - c_2^\dagger c_2\rho\} \\
 &- \underbrace{\{[c_2^\dagger, c_1\rho] + [\rho c_1^\dagger, c_2]\}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

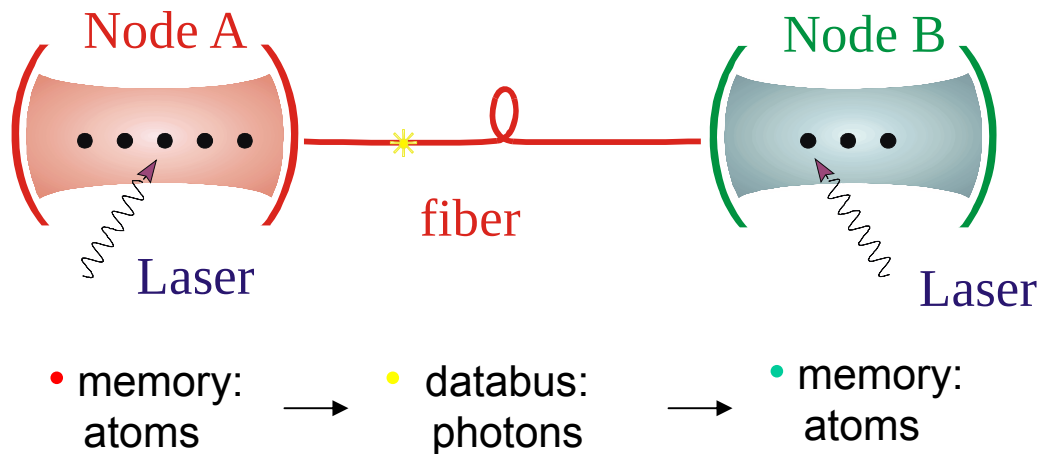
unidirectional coupling of source to system

Example: Optical Interconnects

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- A cavity QED implementation

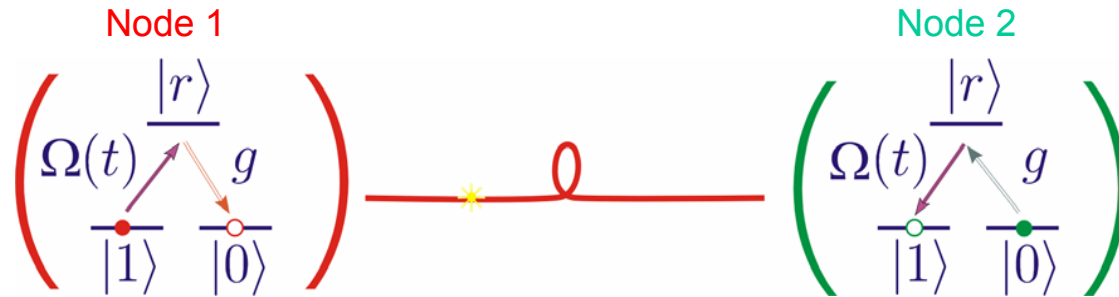
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System

- System



- Hamiltonian: eliminate the excited state adiabatically

Hamiltonian $H = H_1 + H_2$

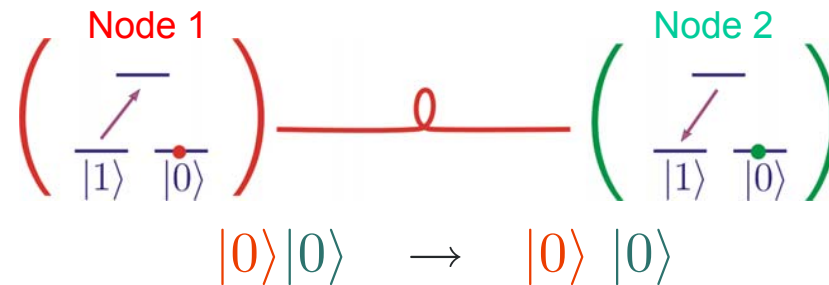
node i $\hat{H}_i = -\delta \hat{a}_i^\dagger \hat{a}_i - i g_i(t) [|1\rangle_i \langle 0| a - \text{h.c.}] \quad (i = 1, 2)$

Raman detuning $\delta = \omega_L - \omega_c$

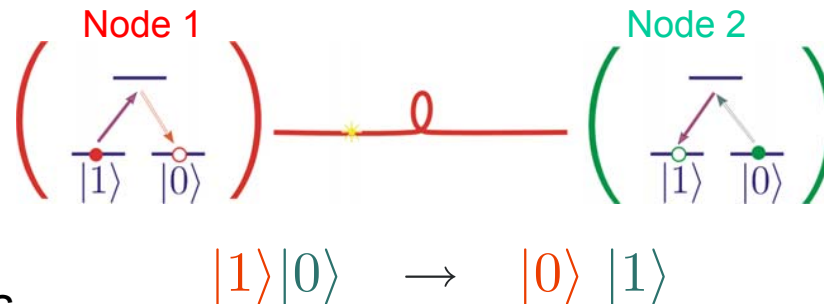
Rabi frequency $g_i(t) = \frac{g \Omega_i(t)}{2\Delta}$

Ideal transmission

- sending the qubit in state 0



- sending the qubit in state 1

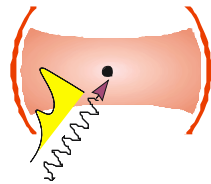


- superpositions

$$[\alpha |0\rangle + \beta |1\rangle] |0\rangle \rightarrow |0\rangle [\alpha |0\rangle + \beta |1\rangle]$$

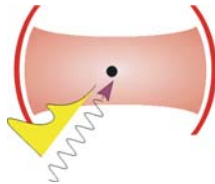
Physical picture as guideline for solution

- Ideal transmission = no reflection from the second cavity
- Physical picture as guideline for solution: "time reversing cavity decay"
 - consider one cavity alone



decay

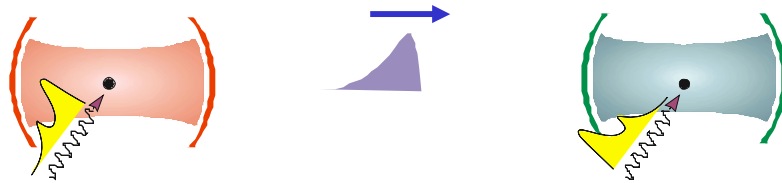
- run the movie backwards



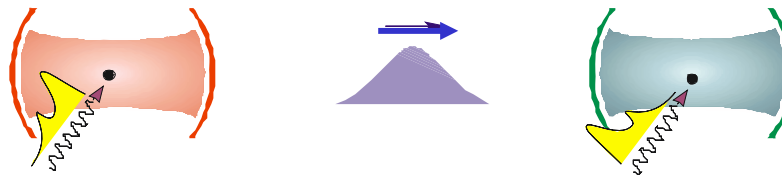
restore

inverse laser pulse

- two cavities



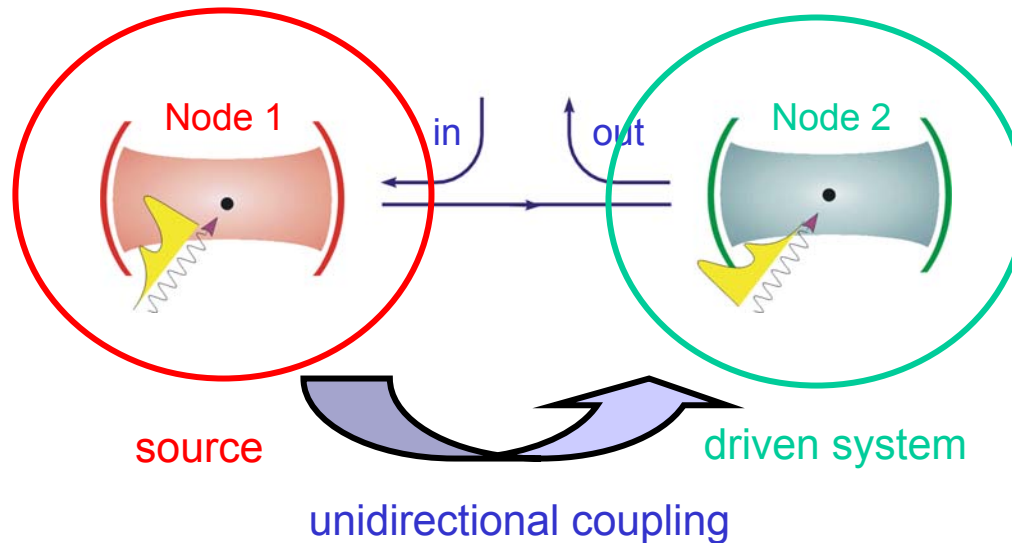
- design laser pulses to make the outgoing wavepacket symmetric



- we try a solution where the laser pulses are the time reverse of each other

Description ... as a cascaded quantum systems

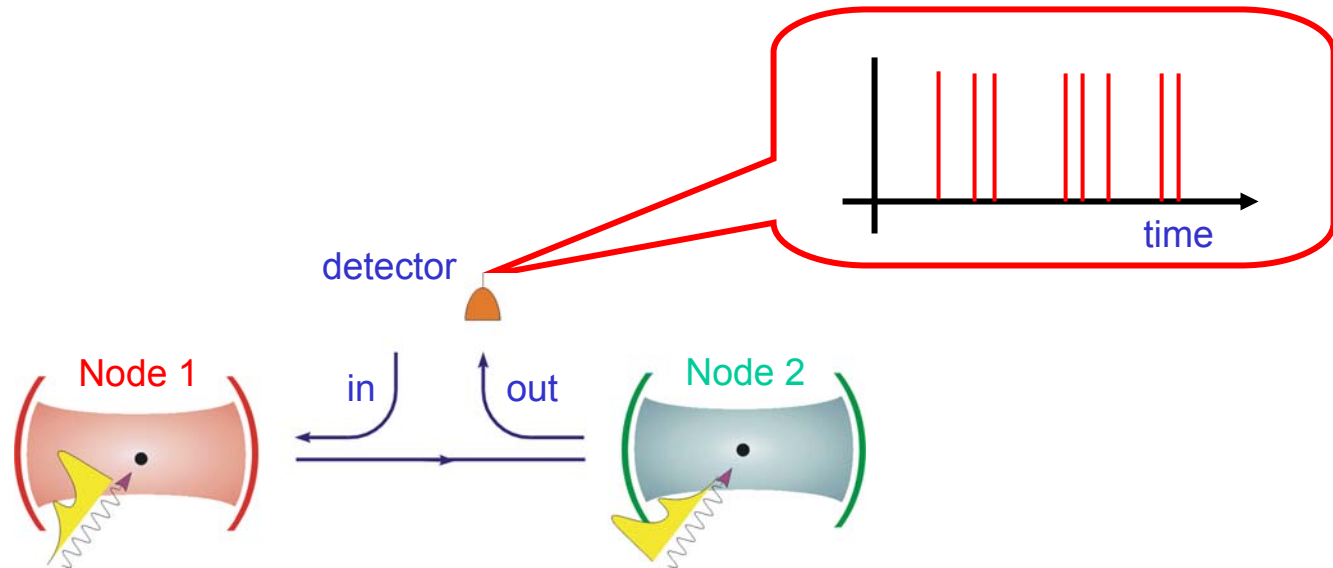
- cascaded quantum system



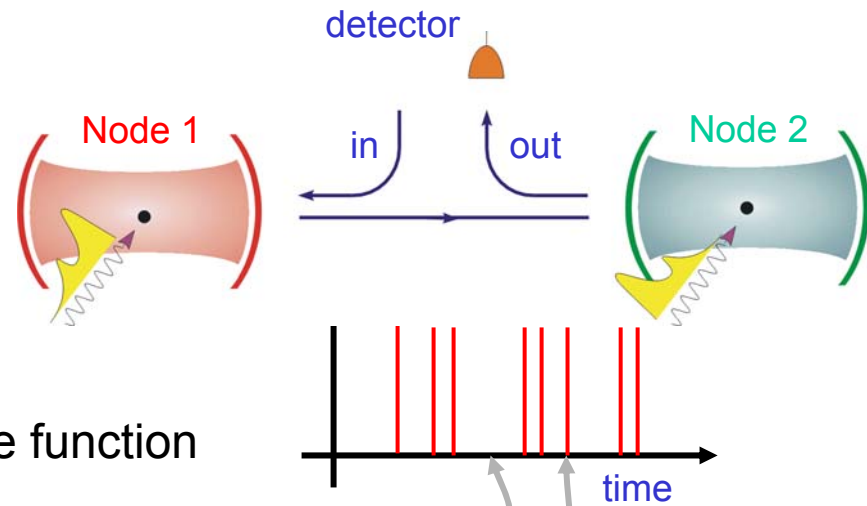
- a theory of cascaded quantum systems H. Carmichael and C. Gardiner, PRL '94

... quantum trajectories

- Quantum trajectory picture: *evolution conditional to detector clicks*



- We want *no reflection*: this is equivalent to requiring that the detector never clicks (= dark state of the cascaded quantum system)



- system wave function $|\Psi_c(t)\rangle$
- between the quantum jumps the wave function evolves with

$$\hat{H}_{\text{eff}}(t) = \hat{H}_1(t) + \hat{H}_2(t) - i\kappa \left(\hat{a}_1^\dagger \hat{a}_1 + \hat{a}_2^\dagger \hat{a}_2 + 2 \hat{a}_2^\dagger \hat{a}_1 \right)$$

- quantum jump

$$|\psi_c(t + dt)\rangle \propto \hat{c}|\psi_c(t)\rangle \quad (\text{with } \hat{c} = \hat{a}_1 + \hat{a}_2)$$

- probability for a jump $\propto \langle \psi_c(t) | \hat{c}^\dagger \hat{c} | \psi_c(t) \rangle$
- condition that no jump occurs

$$\langle \psi_c(t) | \hat{c}^\dagger \hat{c} | \psi_c(t) \rangle \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \implies \hat{c}|\psi_c(t)\rangle = 0 \quad \forall t \quad \text{no reflection}$$

Equations

- Wave function for quantum trajectories: ansatz

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\Psi_c(t)\rangle &= |00\rangle|00\rangle \\
 &+ \left[\alpha_1(t)|10\rangle|00\rangle + \alpha_2(t)|01\rangle|00\rangle \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \beta_1(t)|00\rangle|10\rangle + \beta_2(t)|00\rangle|01\rangle \right] \cdot \left(\text{diagram} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

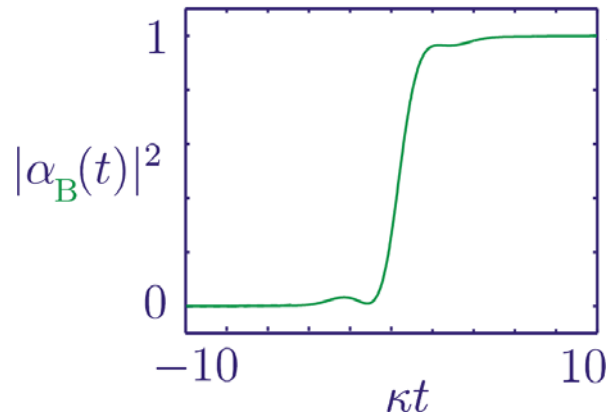
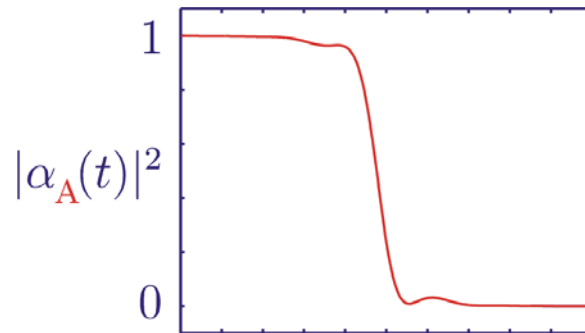
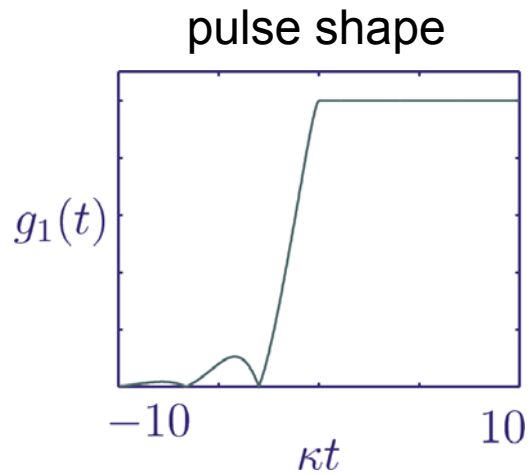
Diagram 1 (top right): Two atoms (red and green dots) each with a two-level system (blue line with upper and lower states). A red wavy line connects the two atoms, representing a cavity mode. The entire diagram is enclosed in red and green parentheses.

Diagram 2 (bottom right): Two atoms (red and green dots) each with a two-level system. A red wavy line connects the two atoms. The entire diagram is enclosed in red and green parentheses.

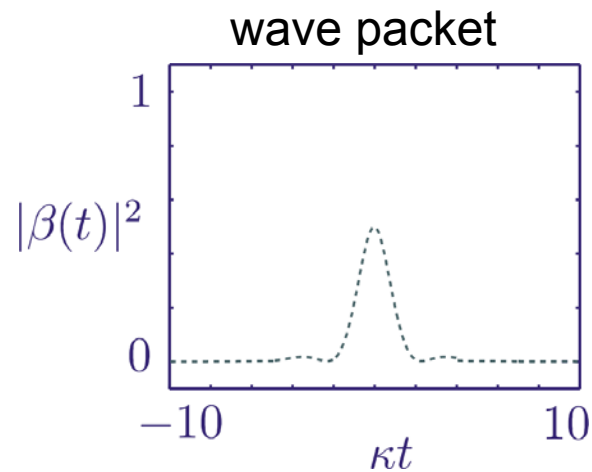
ONE excitation in system

- we derive equations of motion ... and impose the dark state conditions
- we find exact analytical solutions for pulse shapes leading to "no reflection" ...

Results



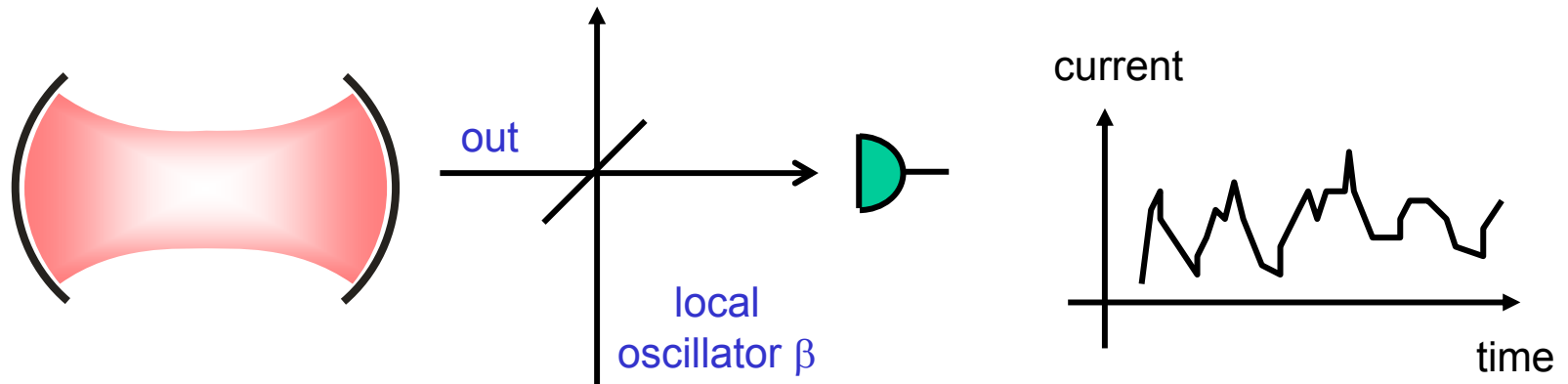
ideal transmission



similar theory developed for ...

6. Homodyne Detection

- homodyne detection



- conditional system wave function

$$d|\psi_X(t)\rangle = \left[(-iH - \frac{1}{2}\gamma c^\dagger c)dt + \sqrt{\gamma} c dX(t) \right] |\psi_X(t)\rangle$$

with $dX(t) = \sqrt{\gamma} \langle x(t) \rangle_c dt + dW(t)$ and $dW(t)$ a Wiener increment

homodyne
current

$c+c^\dagger$

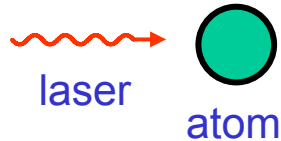
shot noise

A few slides on ...

“How to write effective Hamiltonians for atom-light interactions“

Elementary atomic QO Hamiltonians (without dissipation)

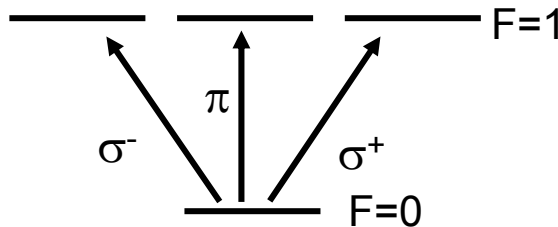
- atom interacting with classical laser light



$$H = H_{0A} - \vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{E}_{\text{cl}}(\vec{x} = 0, t)$$

dipole interaction

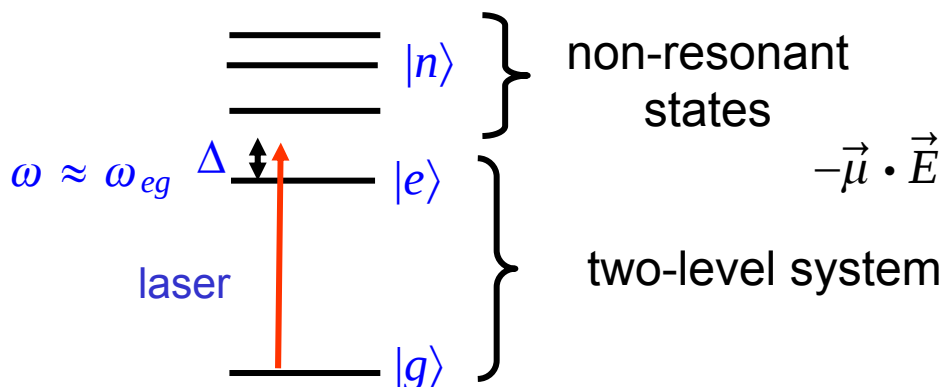
- laser: electric field



selection rules / light polarization

$$\vec{E}_{\text{cl}}(\vec{x} = 0, t) = \mathcal{E}(t) \vec{e} e^{-i\omega t} + \text{c.c.}$$

- two-level system + rotating wave approximation

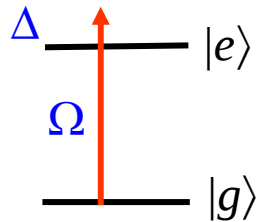


step 1: resonant couplings
(nonperturbative)

$$-\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{E}_{\text{cl}} \rightarrow -\vec{\mu}_{eg} \vec{e} \mathcal{E}(t) e^{-i\omega t} |e\rangle \langle g| - \vec{\mu}_{ge} \vec{e} \mathcal{E}^*(t) e^{i\omega t} |g\rangle \langle e|$$

step 2: rest in perturbation theory

- “Two-level atom + rotating wave approximation” as effective Hamiltonian



$$H = \hbar\omega_{eg}|e\rangle\langle e| - \underbrace{\vec{\mu}_{eg}\vec{\mathcal{E}}(t)e^{-i\omega t}}_{\text{Rabi frequency}}|e\rangle\langle g| - \underbrace{\vec{\mu}_{ge}\vec{\mathcal{E}}^*(t)e^{i\omega t}}_{\text{Rabi frequency}}|g\rangle\langle e|$$

$$H_{\text{TLS+RWA}} = -\frac{1}{2}\hbar\Delta\sigma_z + \frac{1}{2}\hbar\Omega e^{i\varphi}\sigma_- + \frac{1}{2}\hbar\Omega e^{-i\varphi}\sigma_+$$

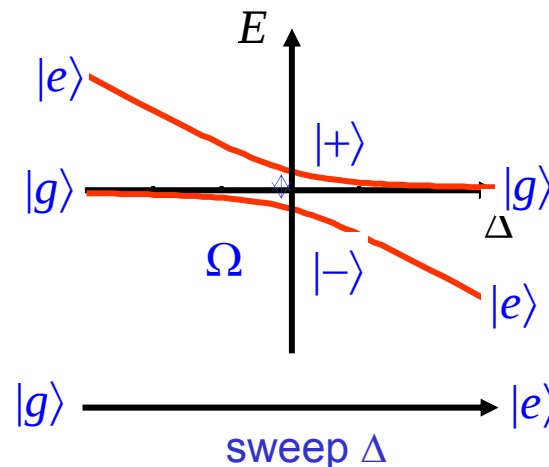
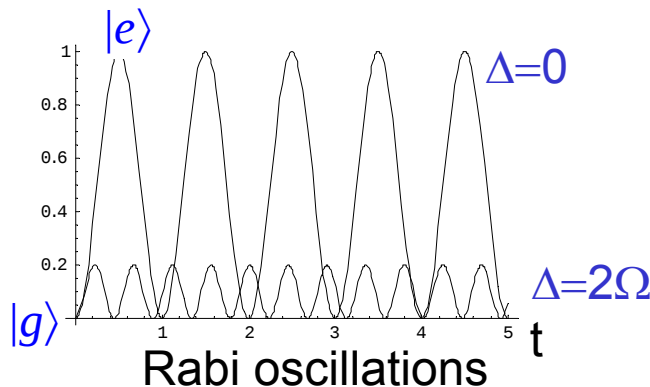
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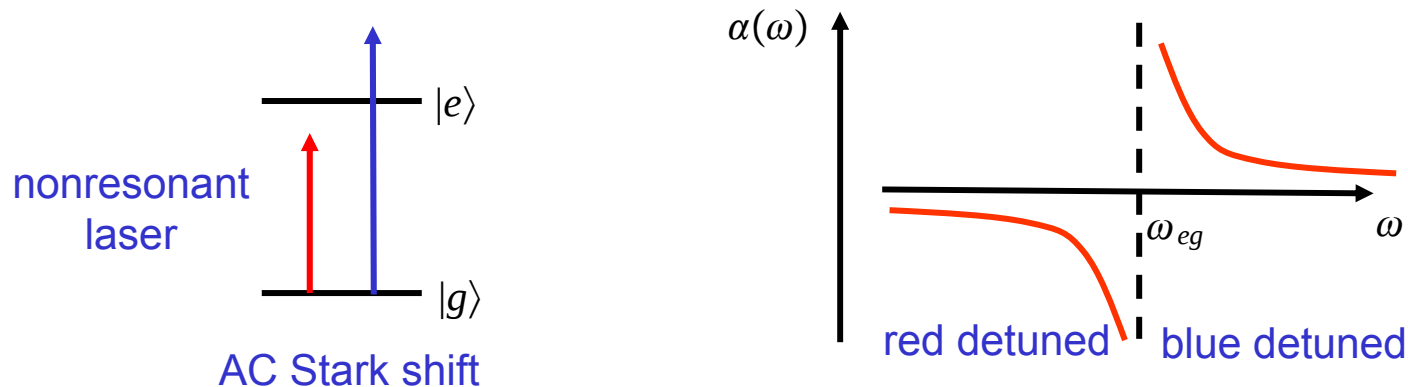
Remarks:

- optical frequencies transformed away
- validity $|\vec{\mu}_{ng,e}\vec{\mathcal{E}}(t)| \ll |\text{detunings off-resonant states}|$

- Dynamics: Rabi oscillations vs. adiabatic sweep

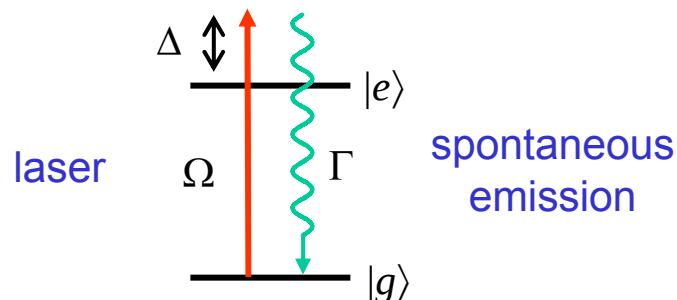


- perturbation theory for the non-resonant states:
example: AC Starkshift



$$H = [\hbar\omega_g + \hbar\delta\omega_g(t)]|g\rangle\langle g| + \dots \quad \hbar\delta\omega_g(t) = \sum_n \frac{|\vec{\mu}_{ng}\vec{\epsilon}\mathcal{E}|^2}{\hbar(\omega_{gn}+\omega)} + \frac{|\vec{\mu}_{ng}\vec{\epsilon}\mathcal{E}|^2}{\hbar(\omega_{gn}-\omega)} \equiv \alpha(\omega)|\mathcal{E}|^2$$

- decoherence: spontaneous emission



$$\Delta E_g = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\Omega^2}{\Delta - \frac{1}{2}i\Gamma} = \delta E_g - i\frac{1}{2}\gamma_g$$

$$\frac{\text{good}}{\text{bad}} = \frac{\delta E_g}{\gamma_g} \sim \frac{|\Delta|}{\Gamma} \gg 1$$

typical off-resonant lattice : $\gamma \sim \text{sec}^{-1}$

In a blue detuned lattice this can be strongly suppressed

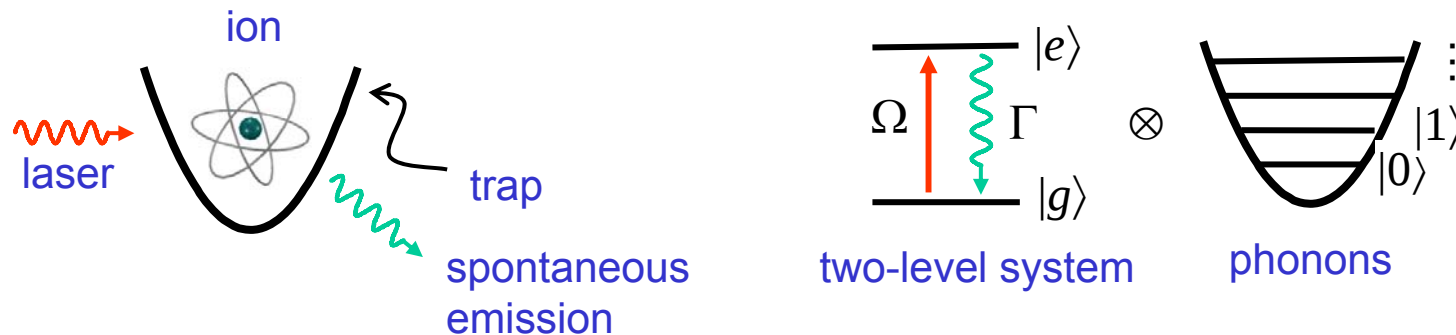
- including the center-of-mass motion

$$H = \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2M} + V_T(\vec{X}) + H_{0A} - \vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{E}(\vec{X}, t)$$

atomic motion

coupling internal – external dynamics

- example 1: trapped ion



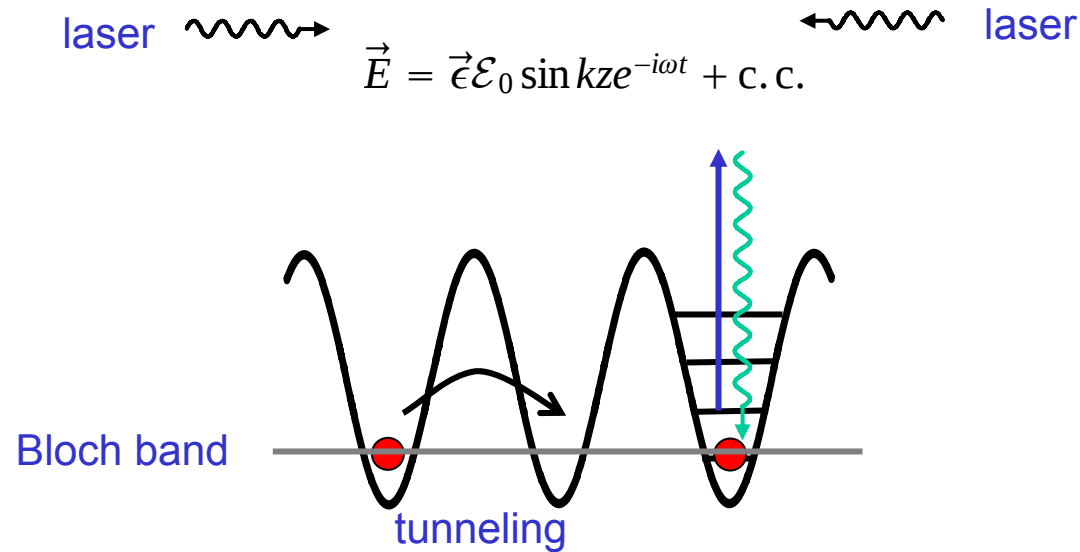
$$H = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2M} + \frac{1}{2}Mv^2\hat{x}^2 + \hbar\omega_{eg}|e\rangle\langle e| - \hbar\left(\frac{1}{2}\Omega e^{ik\hat{x}-i\omega t}|e\rangle\langle g| + \text{h.c.}\right)$$

trap

atom – laser coupling

atom – laser coupling

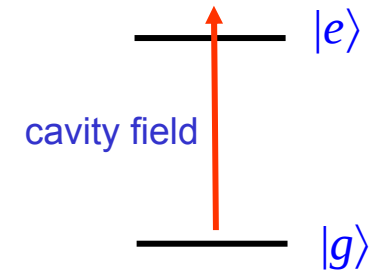
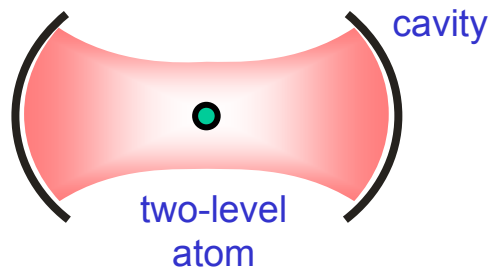
- example 2: atom in optical trap / lattice



optical lattice as array of microtraps

$$V(x) = V_0 \sin^2 kx \quad \left(k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\right)$$

- Cavity QED: Jaynes-Cummings model



$$H = \hbar\omega_{eg}|e\rangle\langle e| + \hbar\omega b^\dagger b - (\vec{\mu}\vec{g}\sigma_+b + \vec{\mu}^*\vec{g}^*\sigma_-b^\dagger)$$

- dressed states

