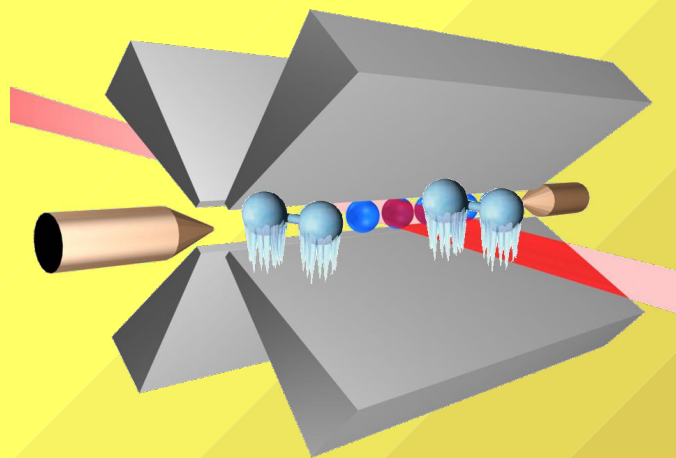


Cold Molecules for Quantum Information ... and *vice versa*



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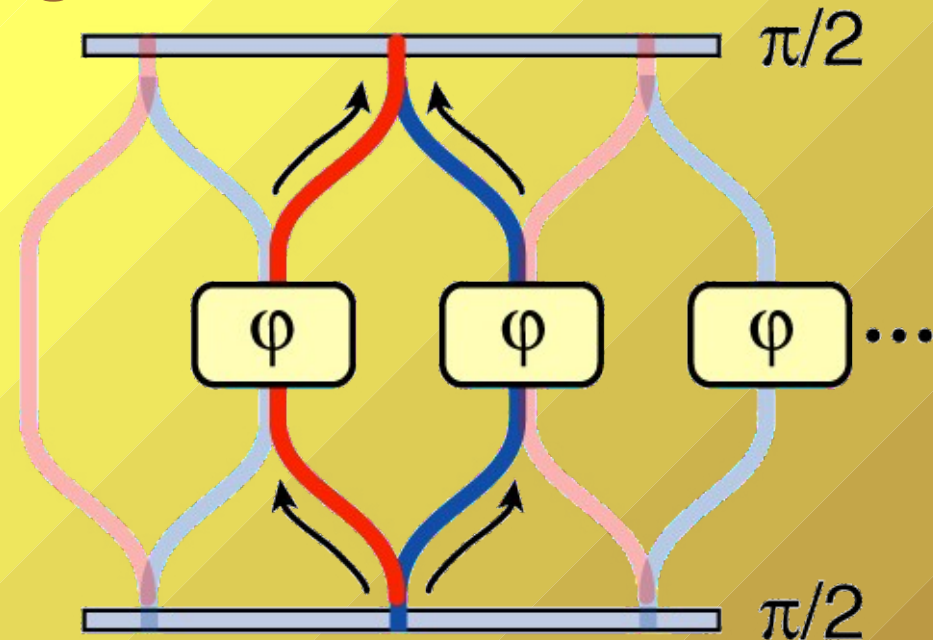
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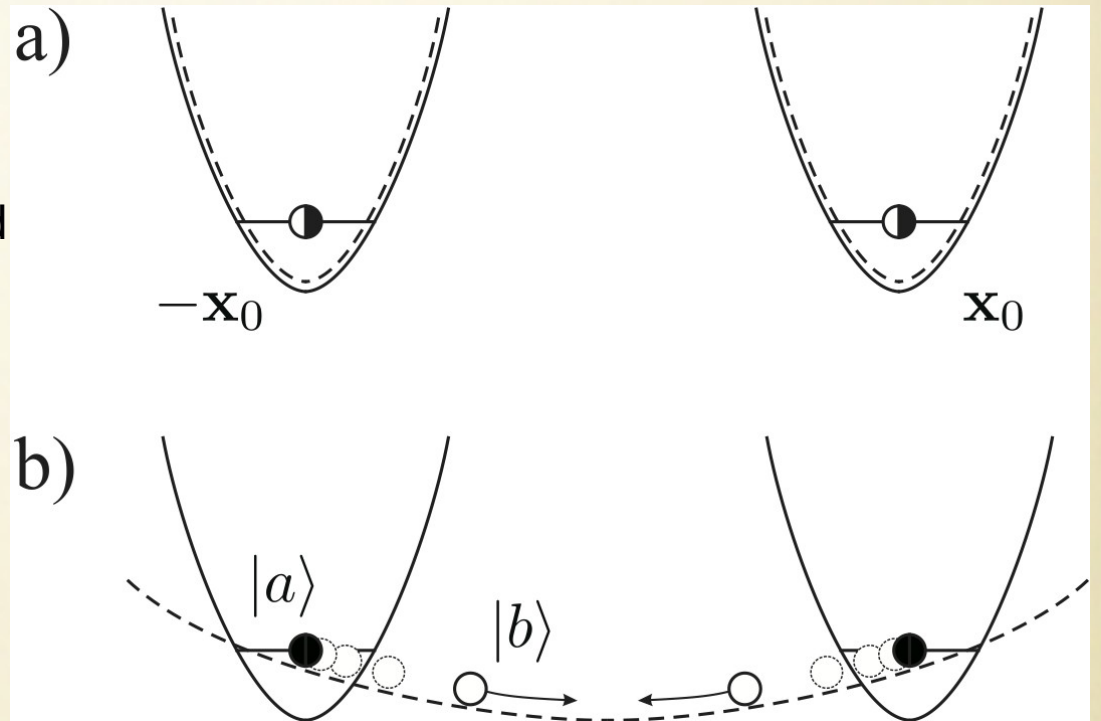
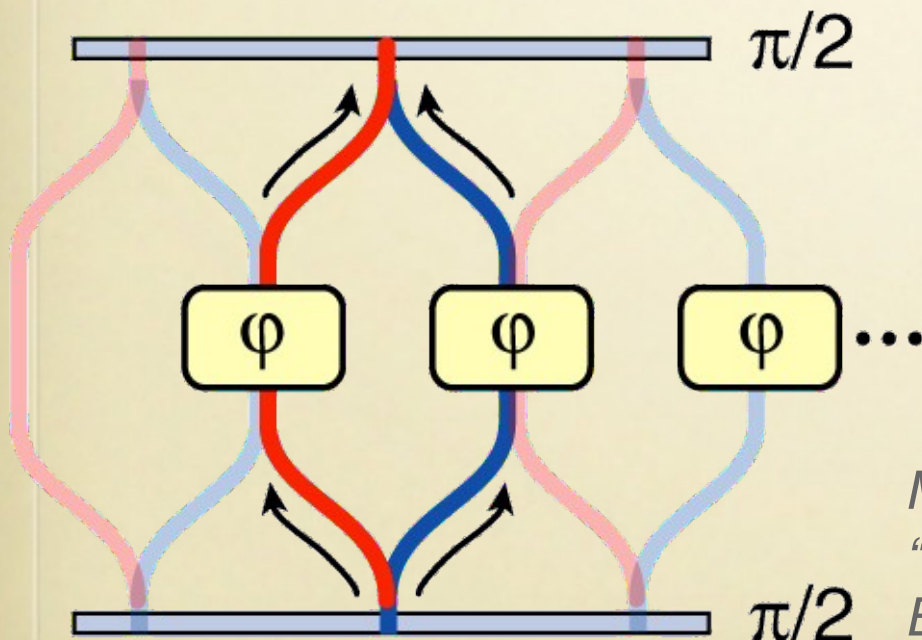
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Mandel et al. [Bloch], Nature (2003)
“Controlled Collisions for Multiparticle
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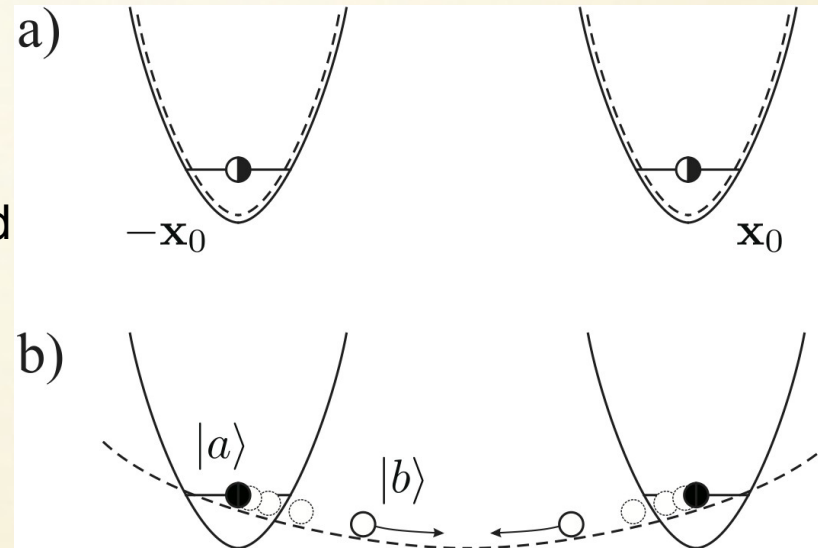
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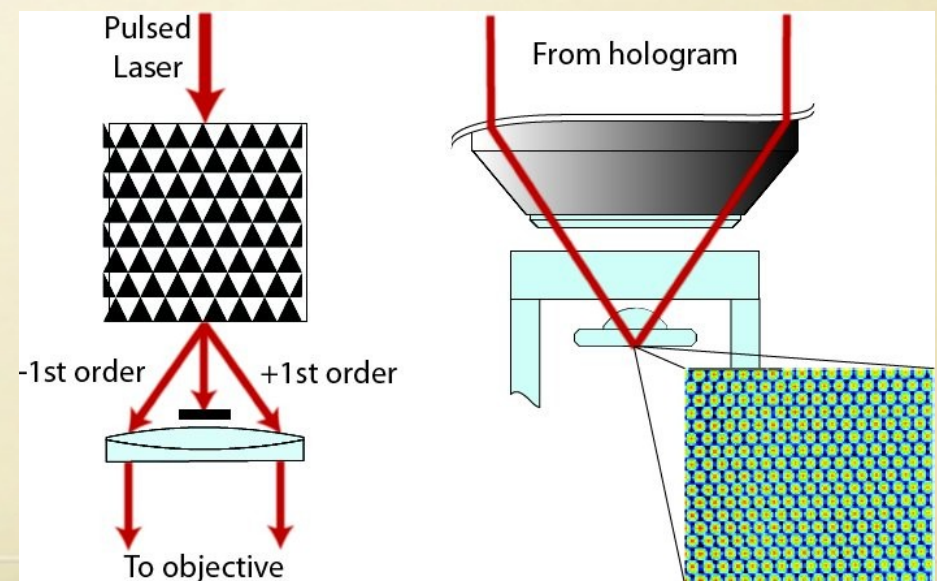
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M. Greiner

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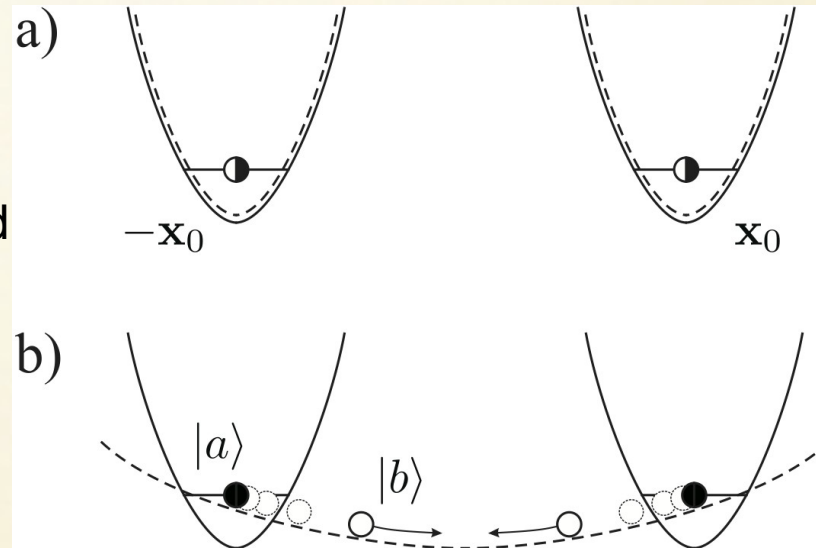
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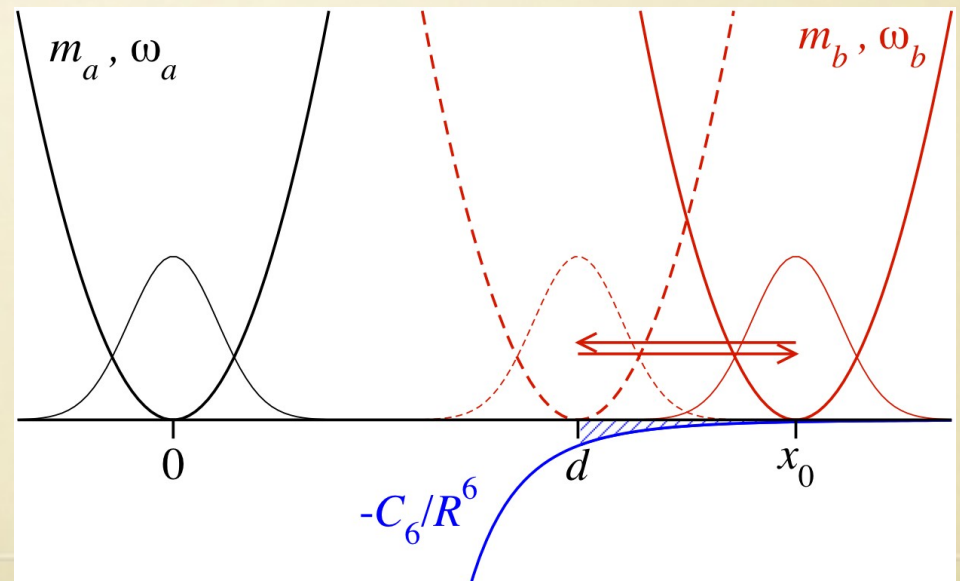
Two-color lattices

→ State-dependent

→ Multi-species

Proposal to probe long-range part of potential:

$$\varphi \propto C_6/x_0^6$$



Controlling collisions

$$\varphi(t) = \frac{1}{\hbar} \int_0^t d\tau \Delta E(\tau)$$

$$E(\tau) = \int d\mathbf{1} d\mathbf{2} V(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}) |\Psi(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}; \tau)|^2$$

$$\Psi(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}; \tau) \rightarrow \Psi(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r}; \tau) = \psi_{CM}(\mathbf{R}) \psi_{rel}(\mathbf{r}; \tau)$$

$$V(r) = \begin{cases} \infty & r < r_{hc} \\ -C_6/r^6 & r > r_{hc} \end{cases}$$

$$\psi_{rel}(r; \tau) = \begin{cases} \psi_{GF}(r; d(\tau)) & r < r_* \\ \psi_{ho}(r; d(\tau)) & r > r_* \end{cases}$$

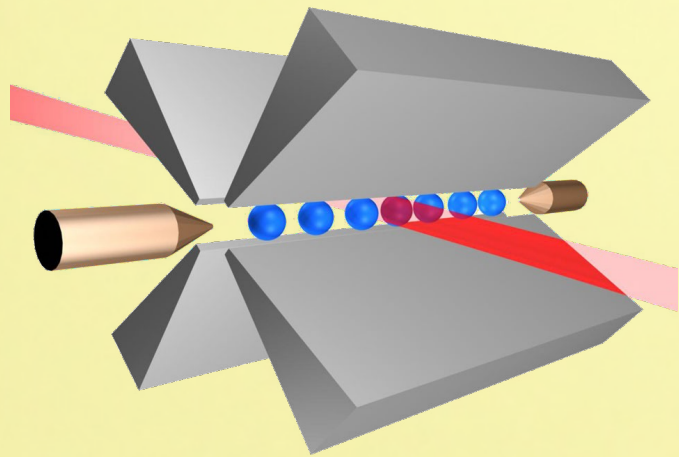
r_{hc} fixed by C_6, a_s ; r_* fixed by continuity of rel wf.

With $d \sim x_0/2$, $t \sim 1\mu s$, we only get $\varphi \sim 10^{-3}$ for Li+Cs ☹️

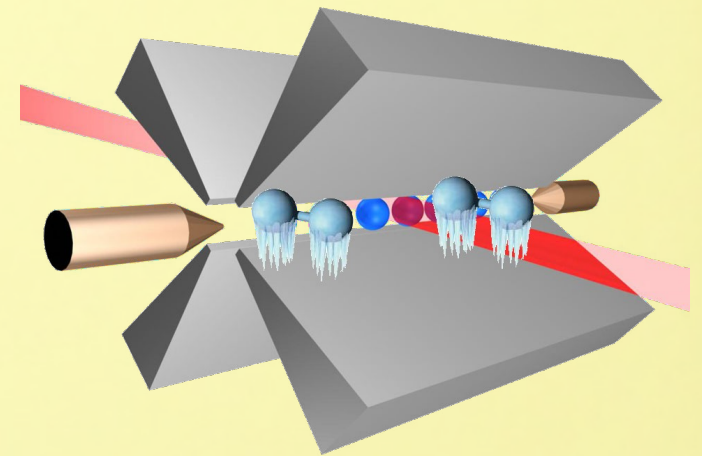
Joining two fields



Cold molecules

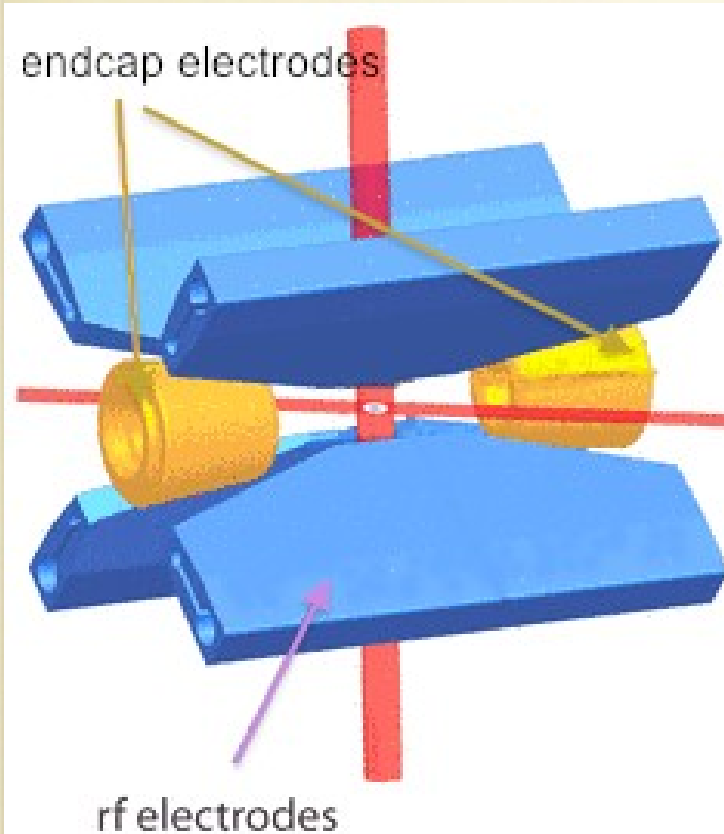


Trapped quantum ions



Cold molecular ions

Trapping atomic ions



Hecker-Denschlag (2011)

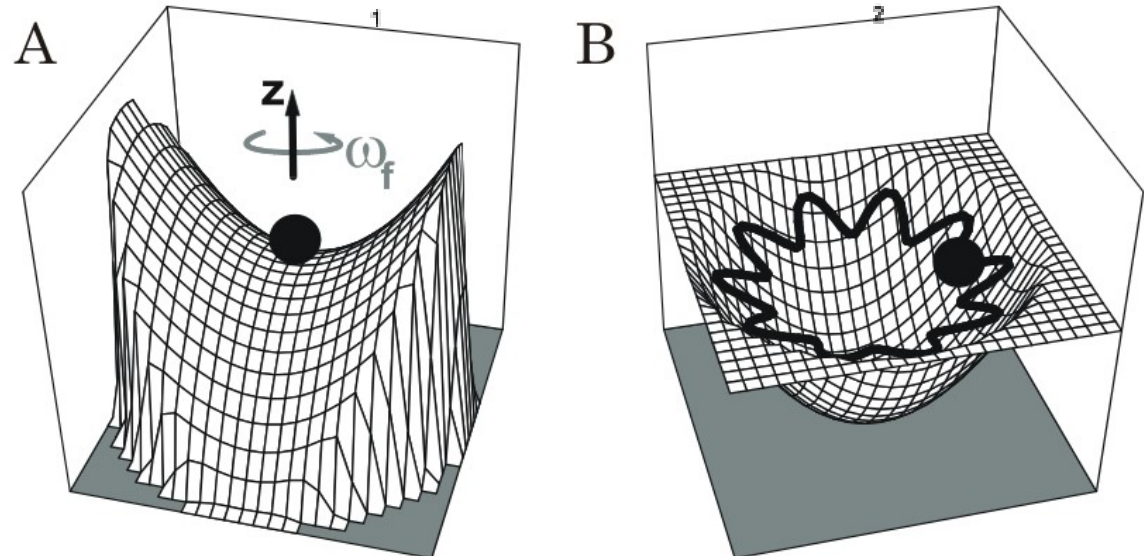
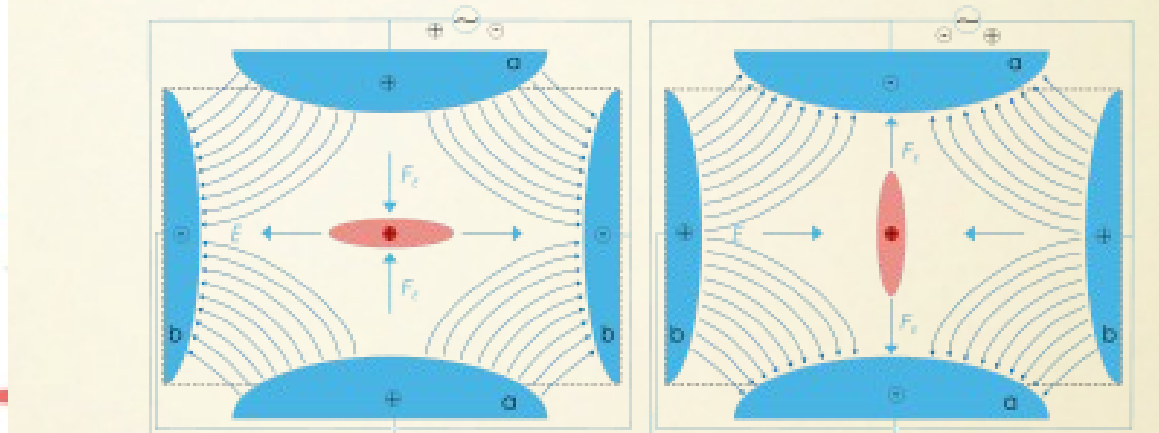
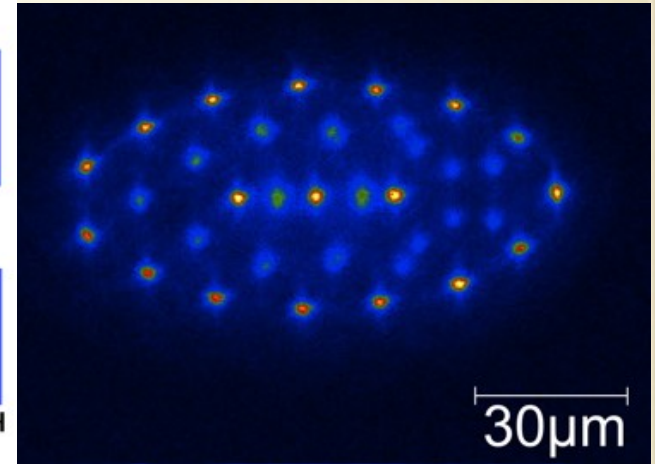
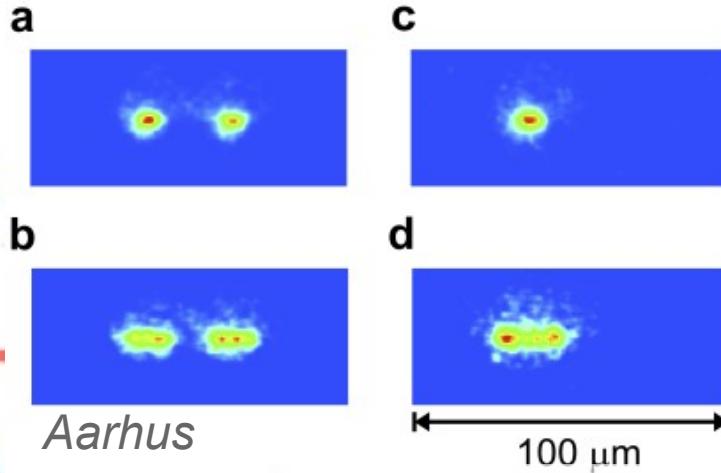
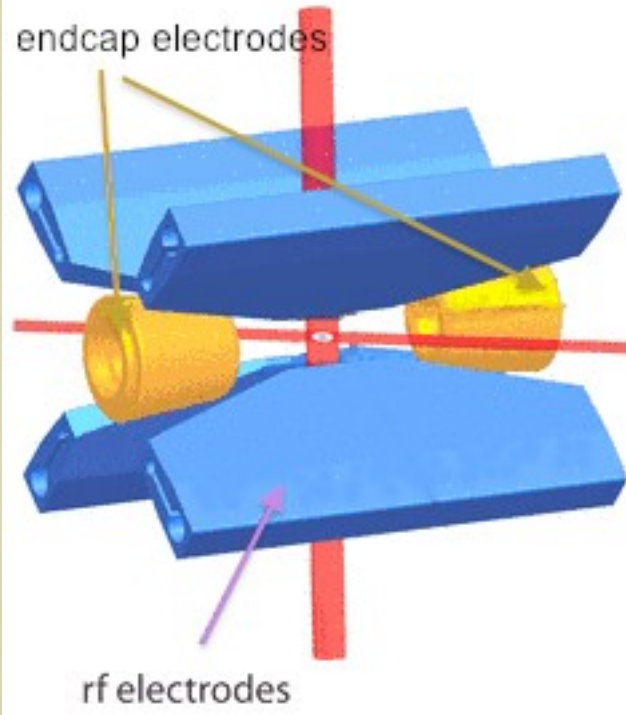


Figure 1.1: The effect of rotating the potential in part A, is a pseudopotential well which is illustrated in part B. The particle motion in the pseudopotential is indicated by the black line. The motion is a combination of a secular motion in the pseudopotential and a small amplitude micromotion at the frequency of rotation ω_f .

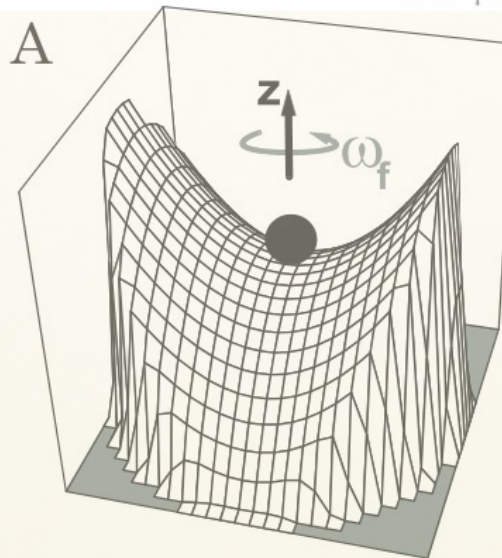
Molhave, MSc Thesis (2000)

Trapping atomic ions

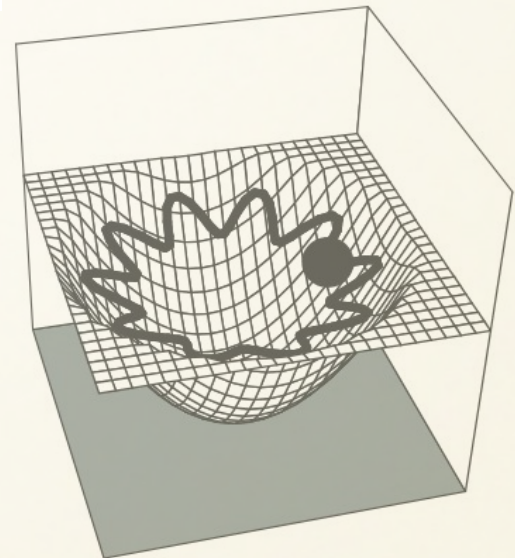
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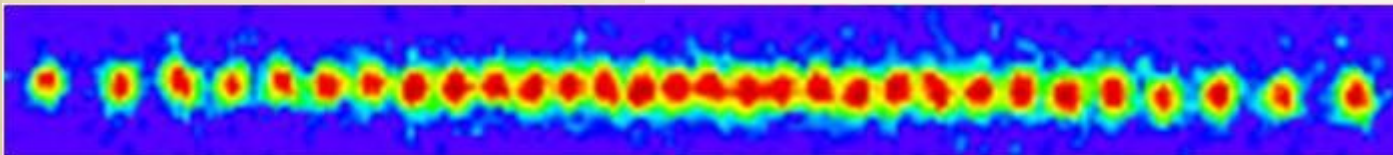
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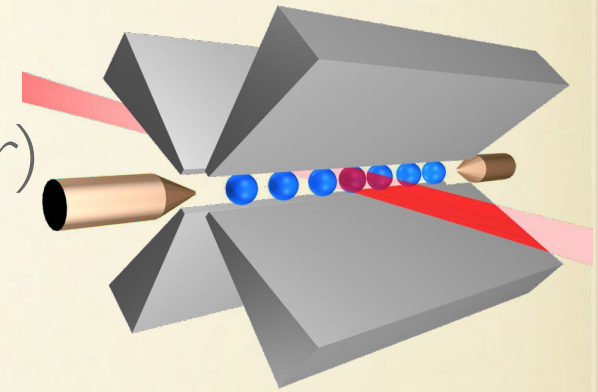
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Trapped atomic ions

- Atomic ions trapped in vacuum ($P \sim 10^{-11}$ mbar)



- Typical temperature ~ 10 mK

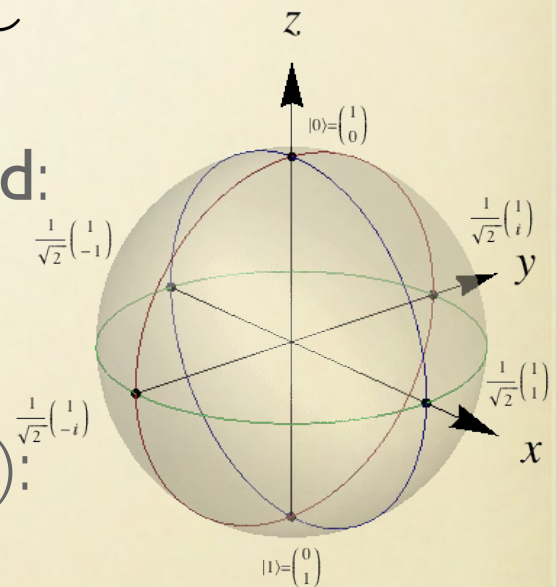
- Internal state = qubit = $\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$ $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$

- Full control of single-qubit state demonstrated:

preparation, manipulation and measurement

- Accurate **two-qubit operations** ($>99\%$ fidelity):

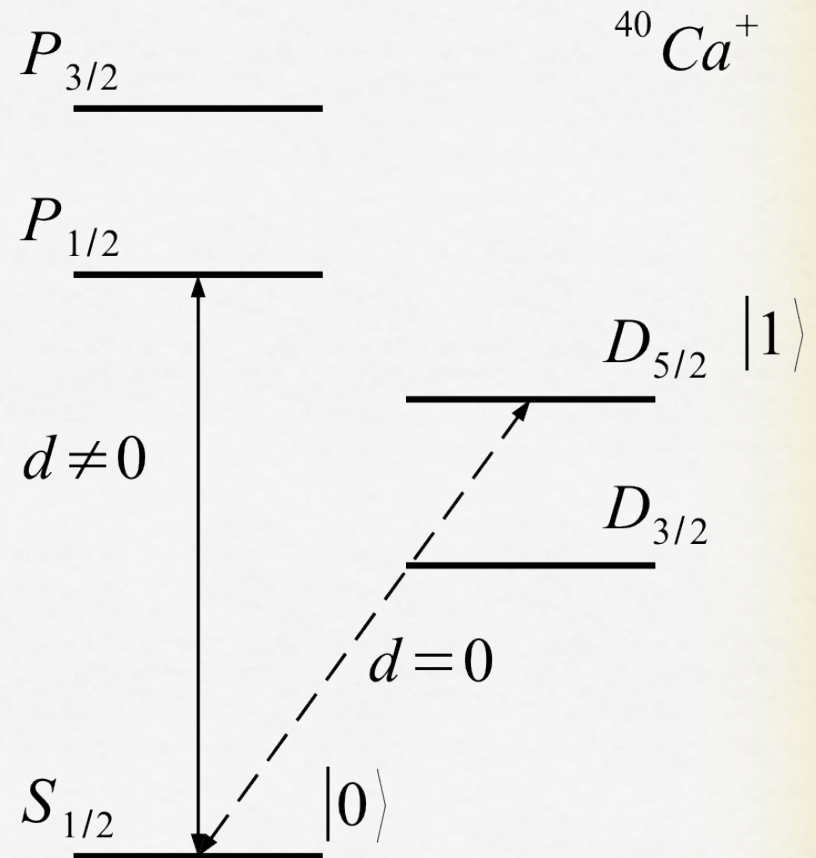
CNOT, SWAP, factoring small numbers... **already realized**



An atomic ion as a qubit

$^{40}\text{Ca}^+$: an electronic (or optical) qubit

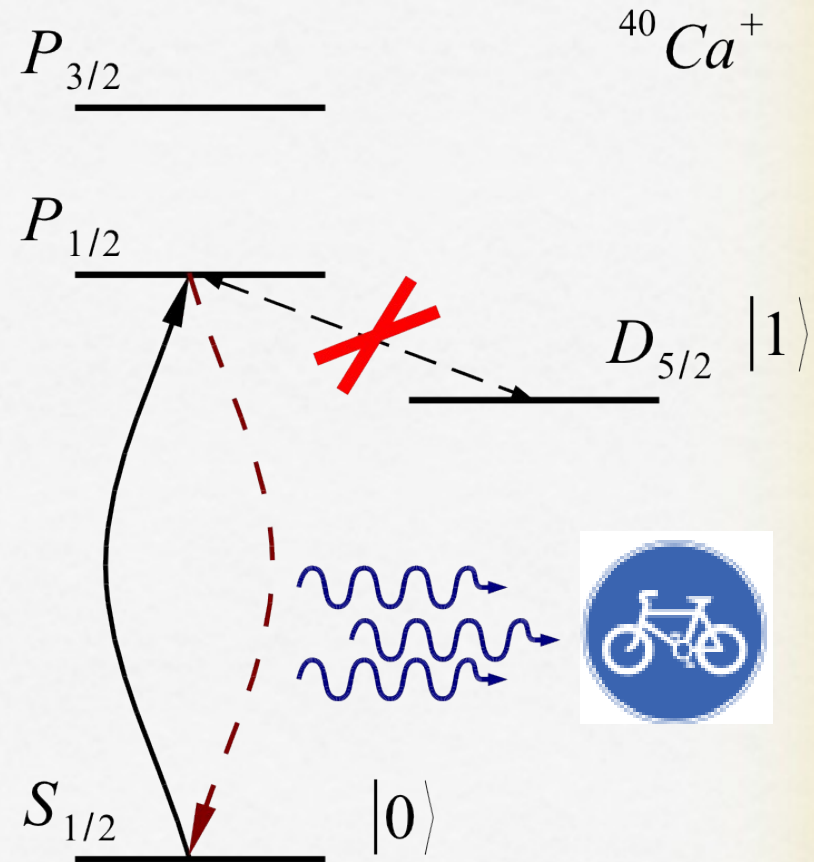
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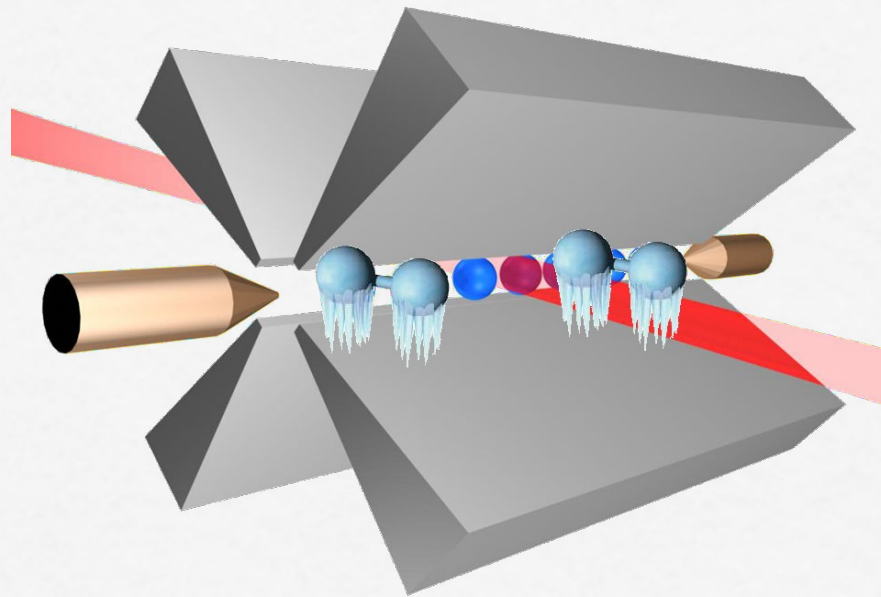
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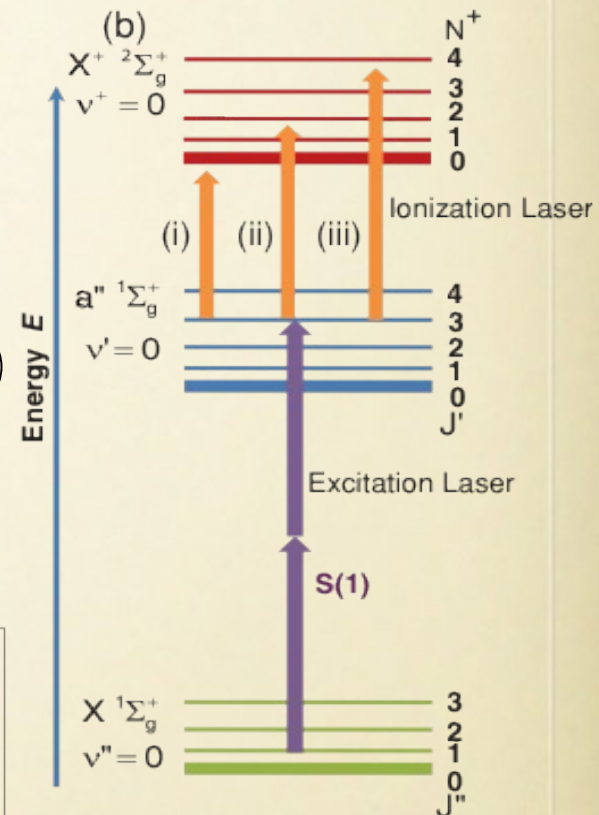
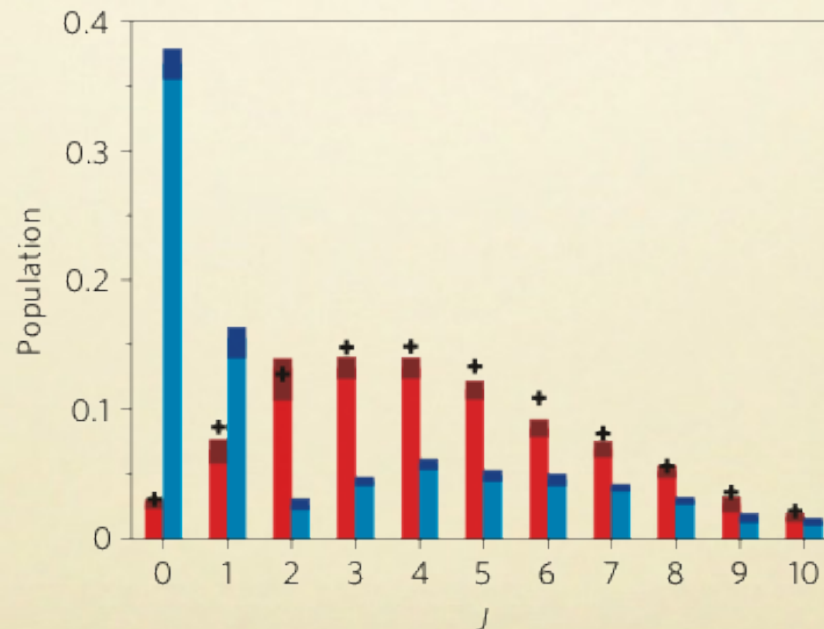
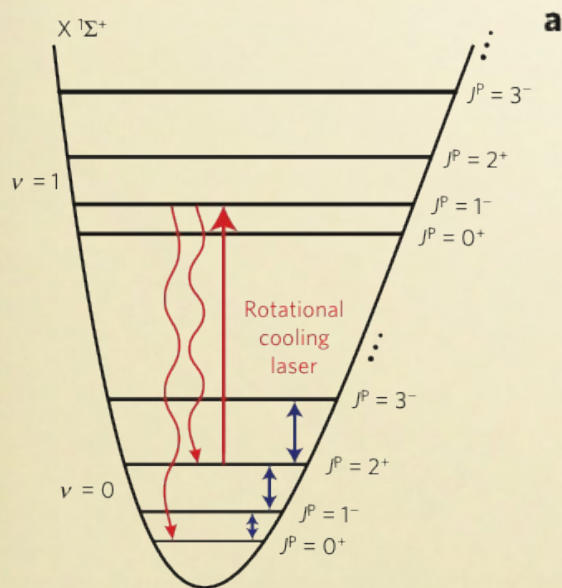
Cold *molecular* ions



Recent experiments

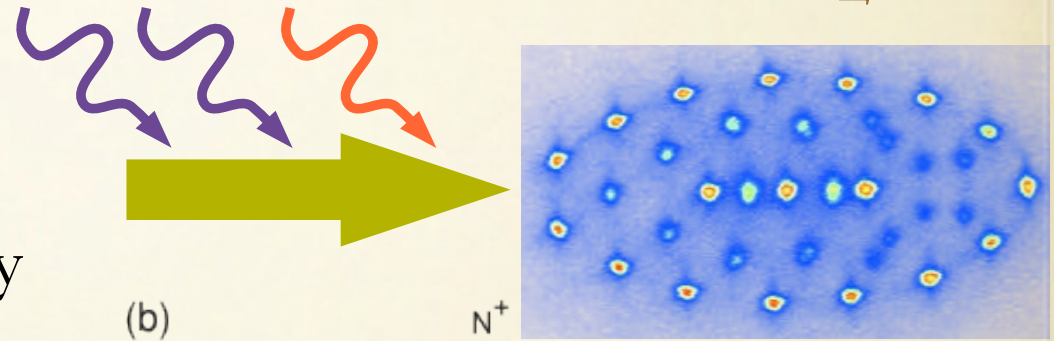
Molecular ions (MgH^+ , HD^+ , CaH^+) have recently been cooled and prepared in well-defined rovibrational states:

- Staantum et al. [Drewsen], Nature Phys. **6**, 271 (2010)
- Schneider et al. [Schiller], ibid. **6**, 275 (2010)
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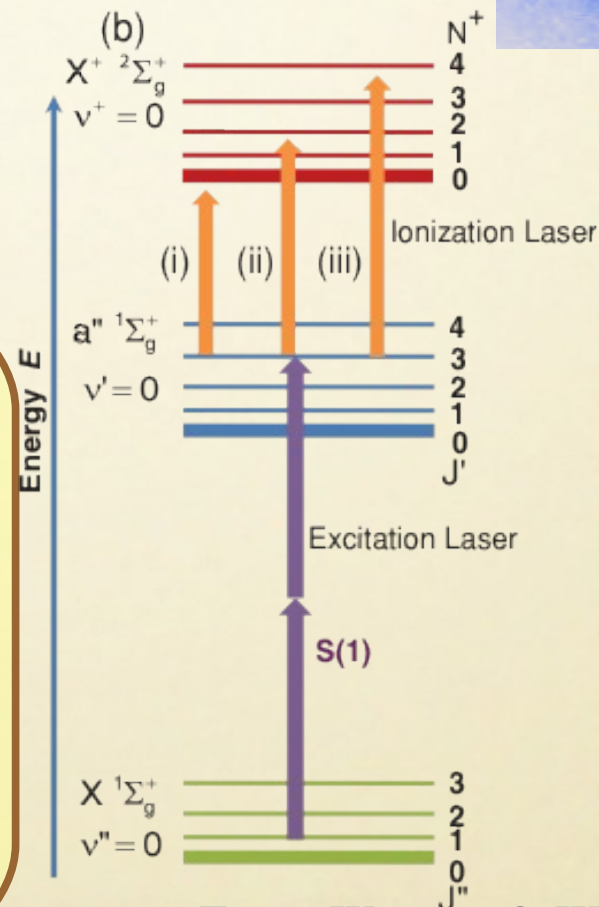
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— **destructive detection!**

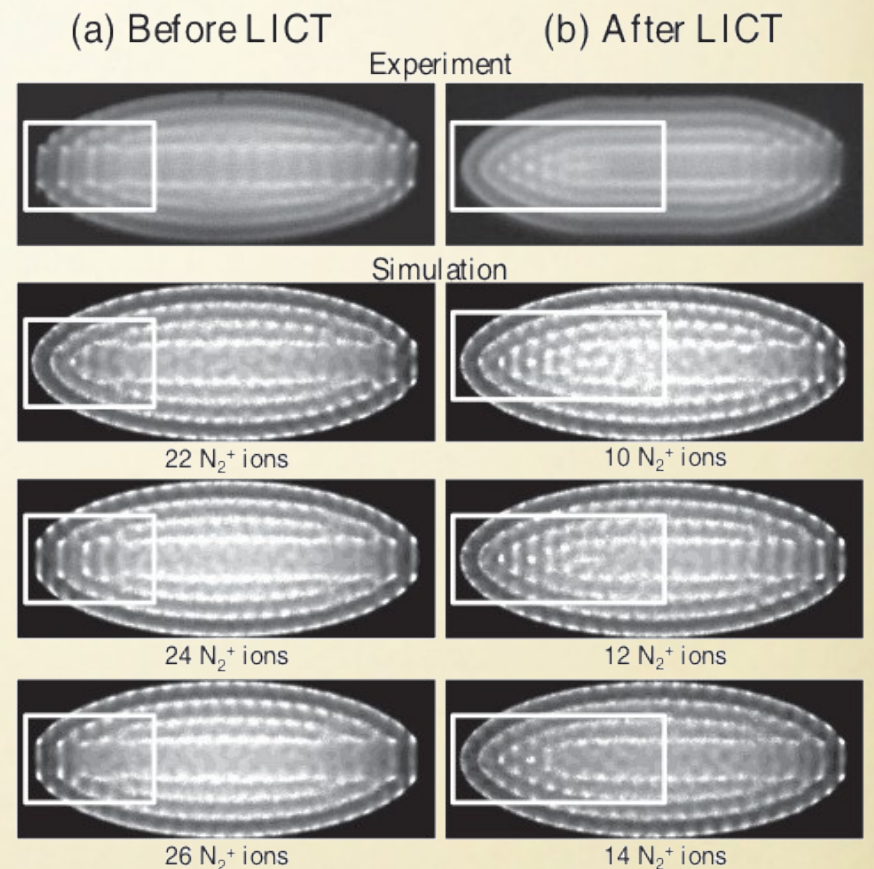
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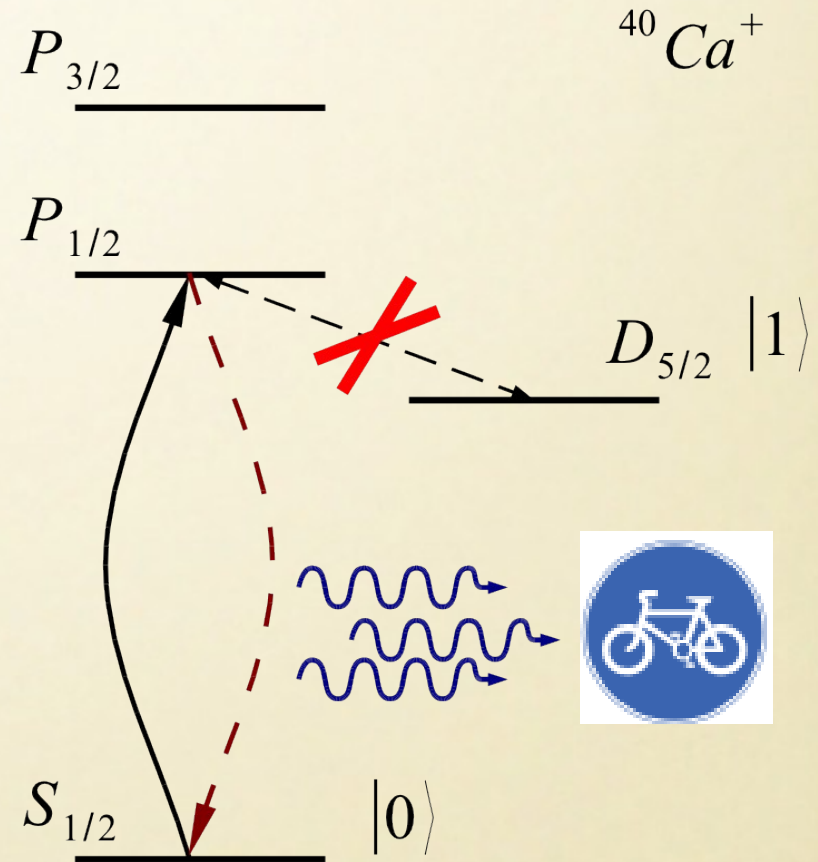
Measure the molecular ion state without destroying it.

*Can we design a **non-destructive** detection protocol?*

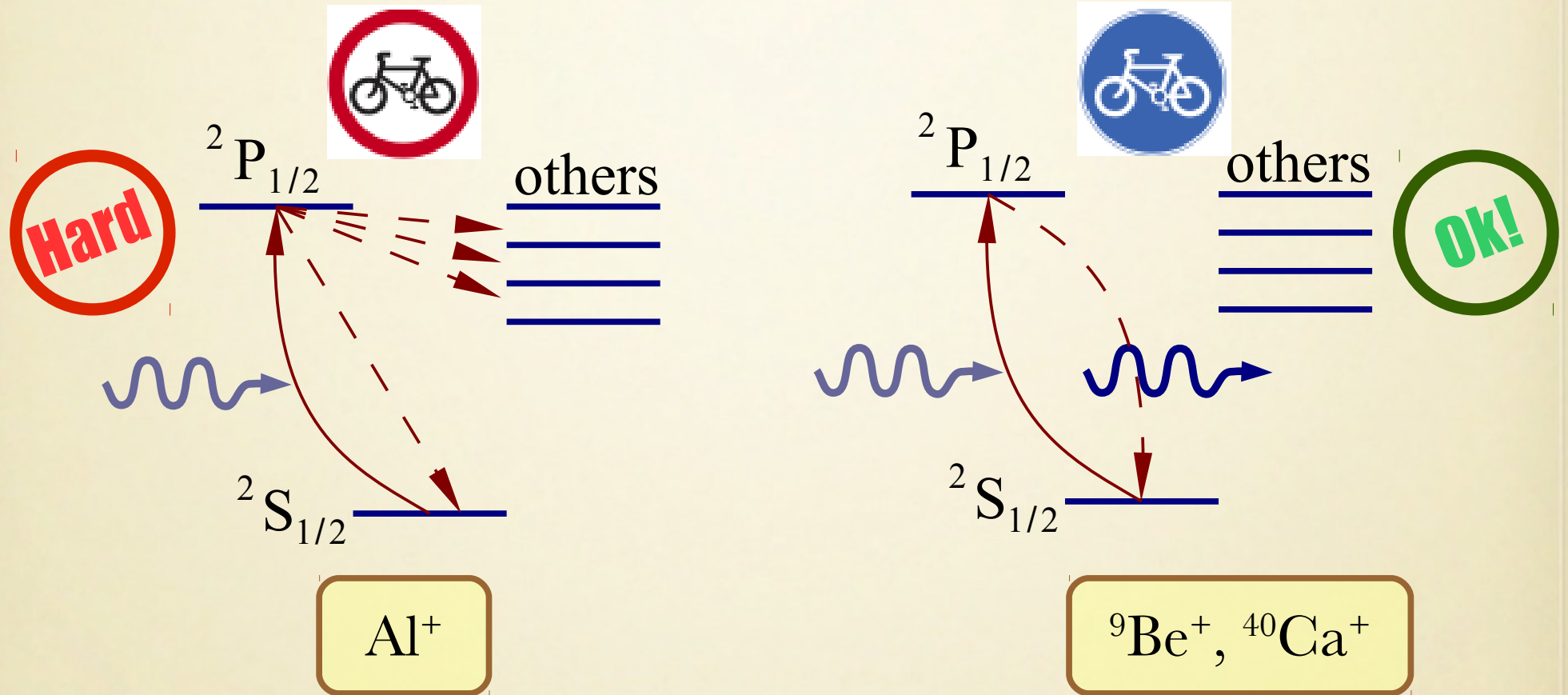
Recall how atomic ions are measured

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More complex ions

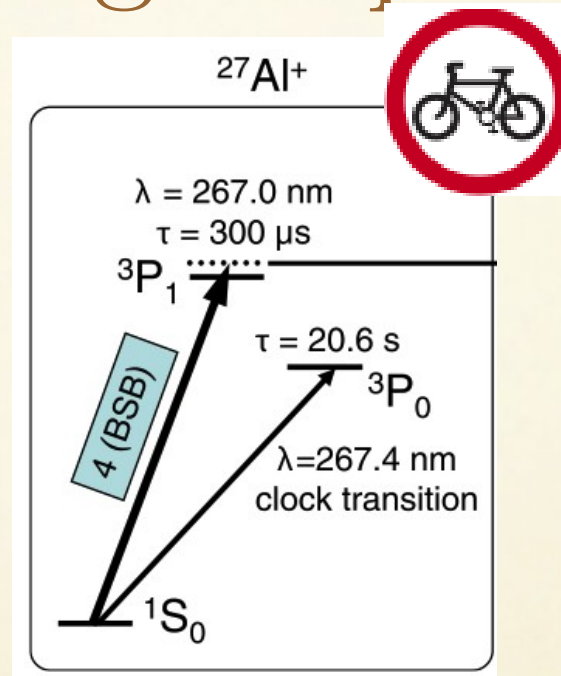


Not all ions have “cycling transitions” which allow such accurate determination of the dynamics as in trapped ion QIPC experiments.

Quantum Logic Spectroscopy

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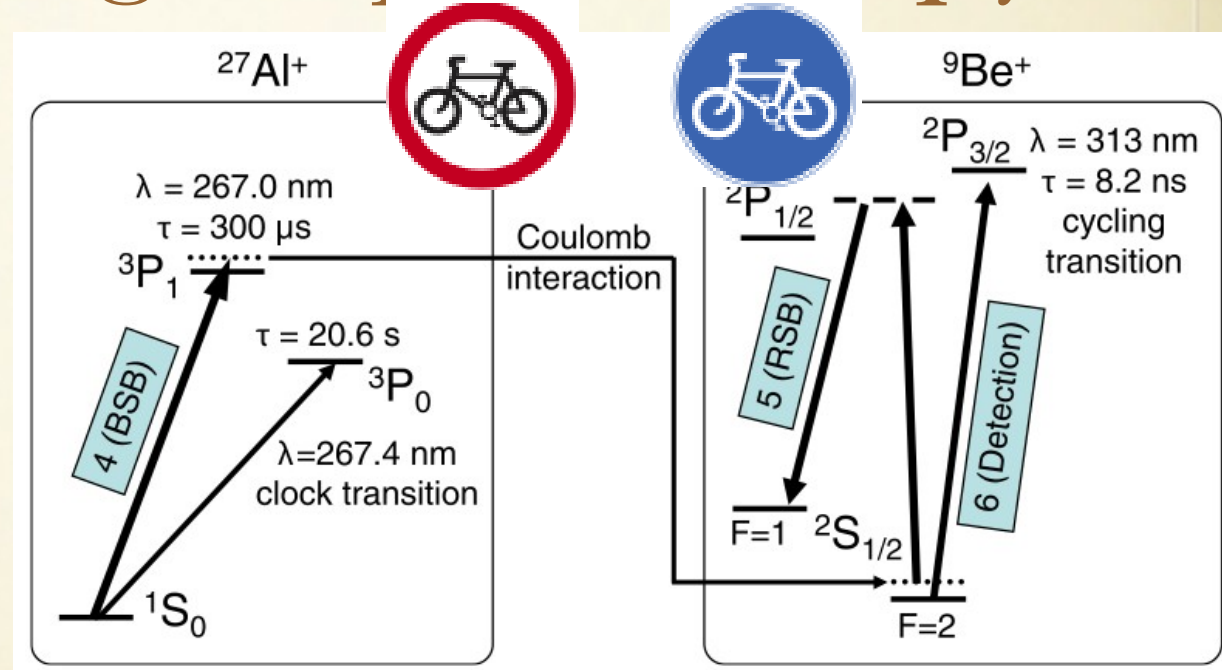
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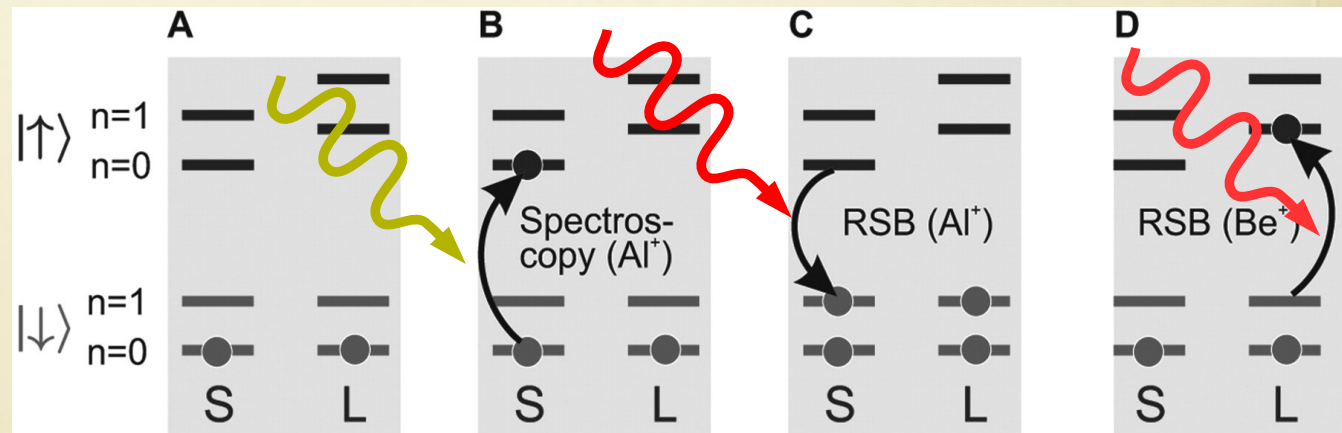
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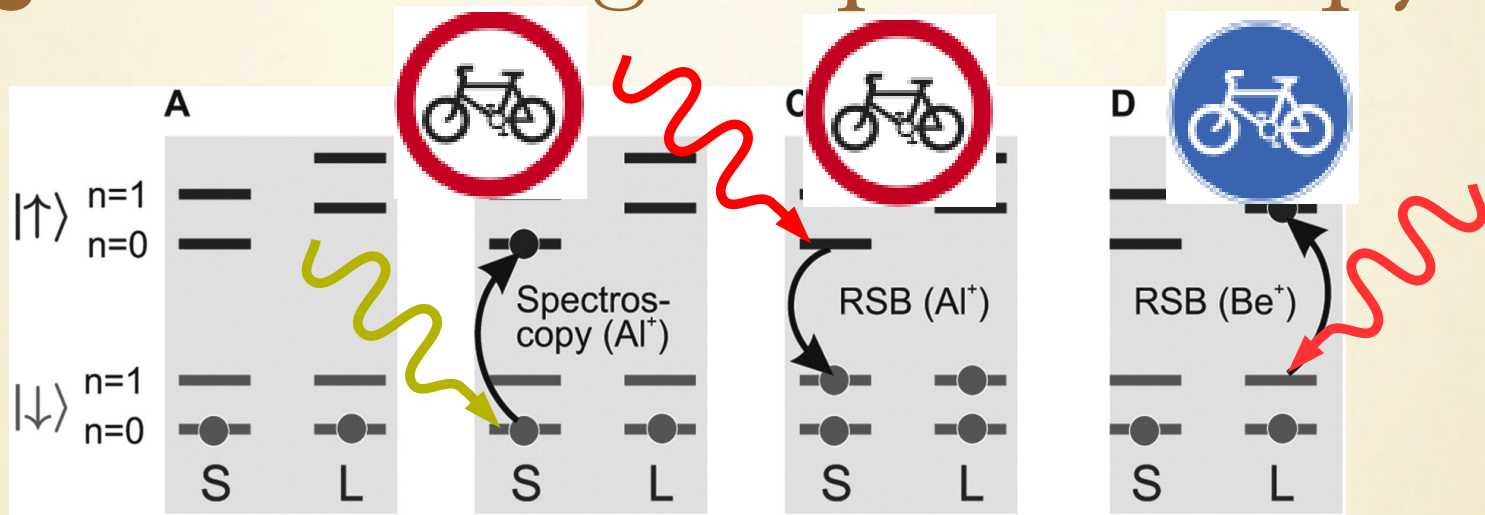
Let there Be+ !

Couple Al^+ (S) and Be^+ (L) via normal modes

NB: Needs g.s. cooling of motional state



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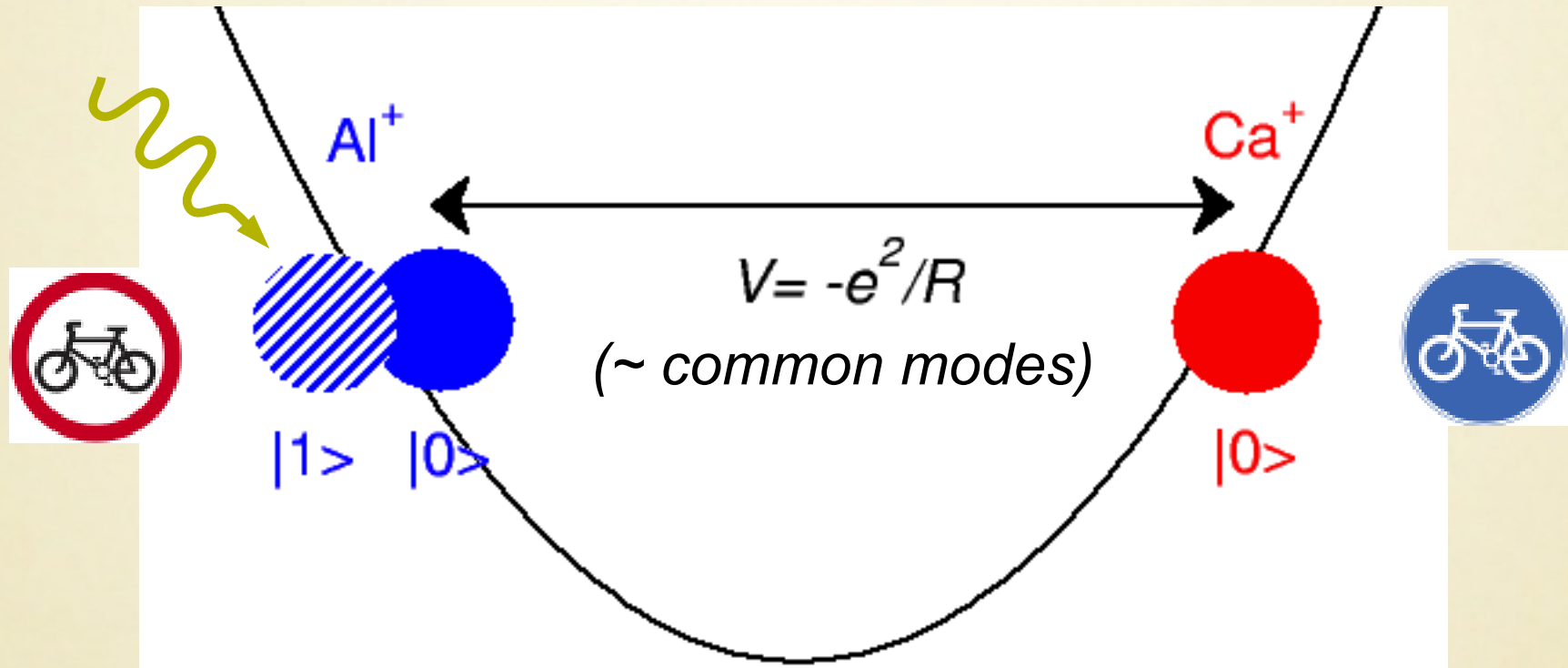


Idea: Use quantum gates to map the state of a “difficult” ion (e.g., Al^+) to a well controlled one ($^9\text{Be}^+$).

Drawbacks: Using motional states as quantum bus:

- 👎 Temperature sensitive (requires sideband cooling)
- 👎 Slow: 🕒 gate time $\sim 1/\text{trap freq}$ (energy must go from S to L)
- 👎 Only works for relatively simple “difficult” ions

QLS: Physical Picture



- We apply a force (laser) on the *first ion* ($S=\text{Al}^+$)
- But the *second* knows about it. How? **Common modes!**
- Force on 1st ion \rightarrow ion moves \rightarrow Coulomb force changes \rightarrow 2nd ion moves too

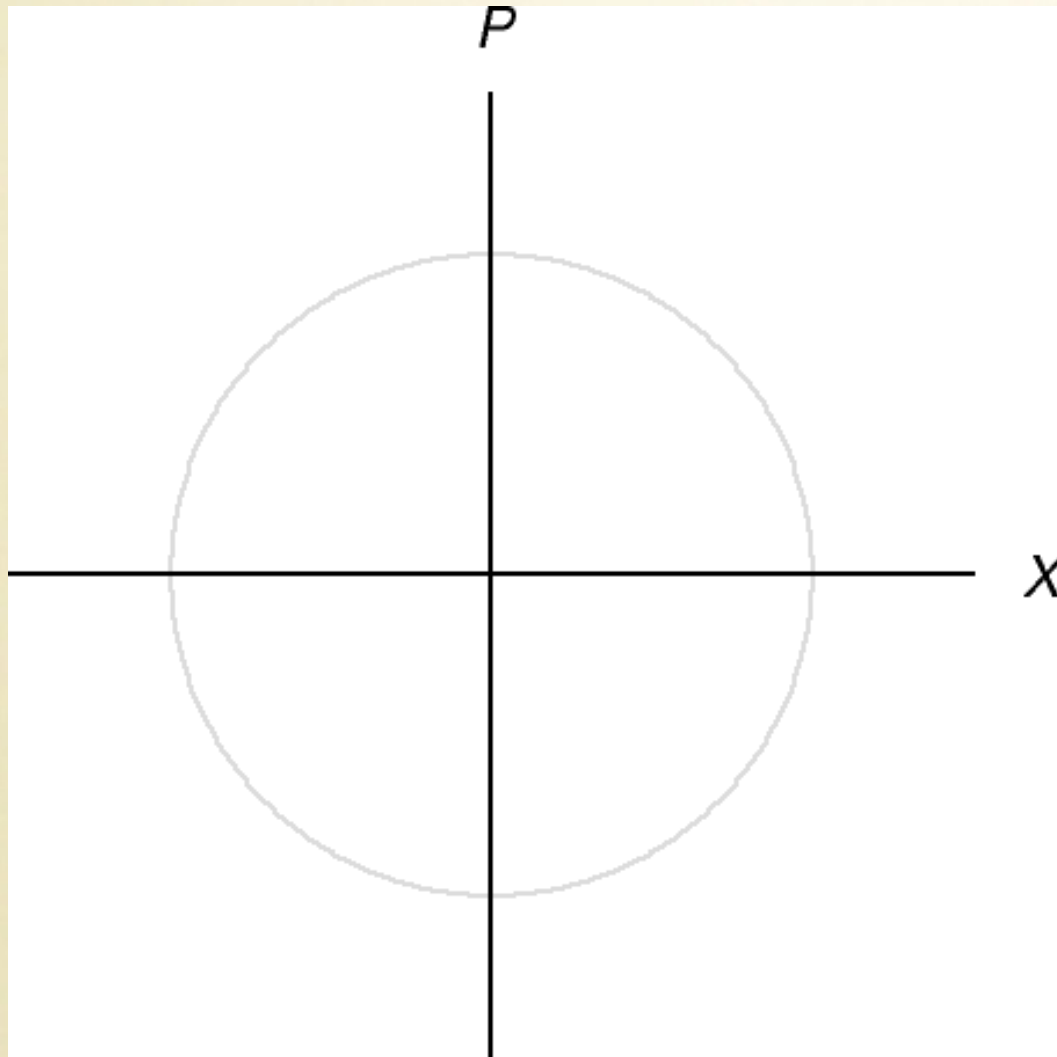
What about more complex systems such as molecular ions?

Quantum phase gates

Ingredients:

1. A harmonic oscillator
2. State-dependent forces
3. Molecular structure calculations

Two-qubit gates

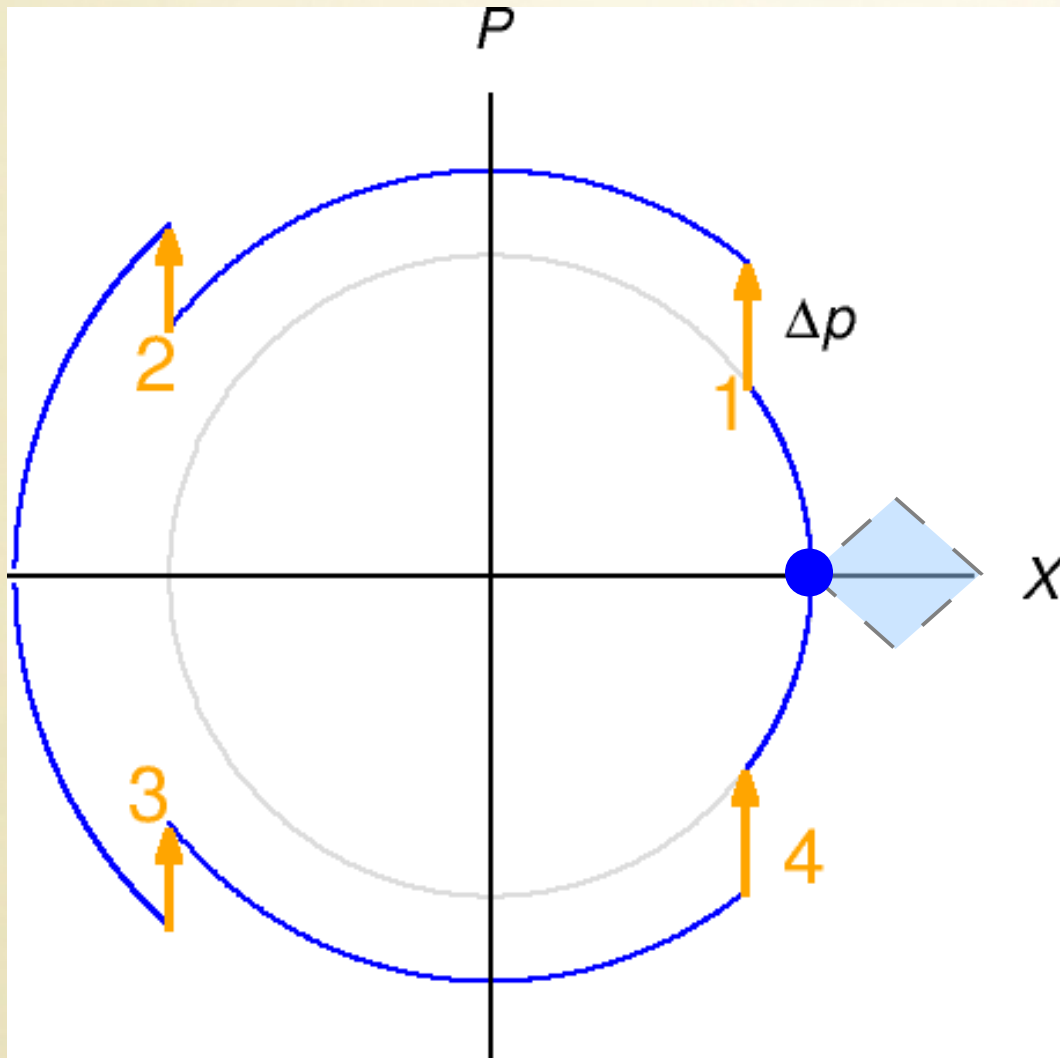


Ingredients:

- Two ions in a trap
- Coulomb interaction

Description as **Normal modes**
(harmonic oscillators)

A force on a harmonic oscillator

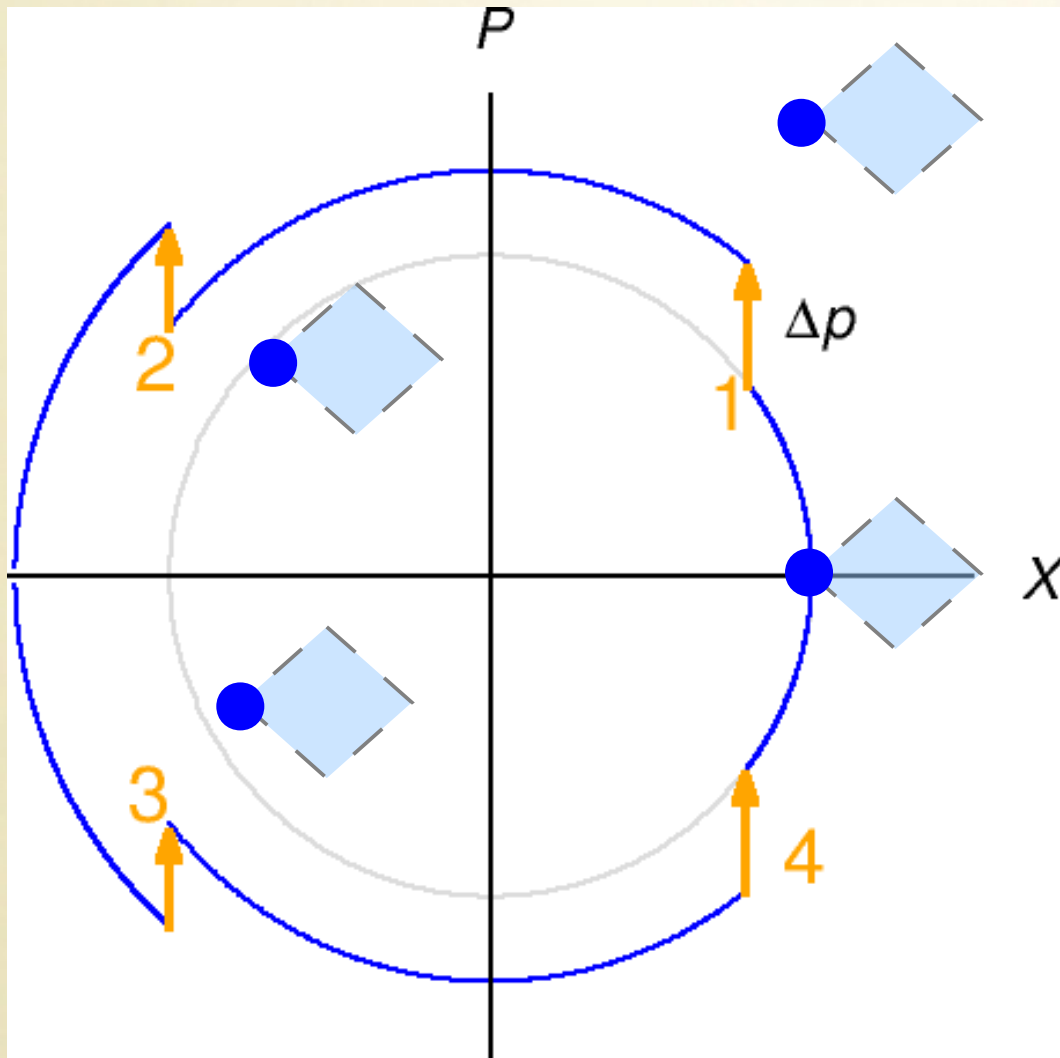


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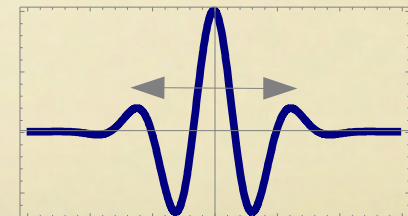
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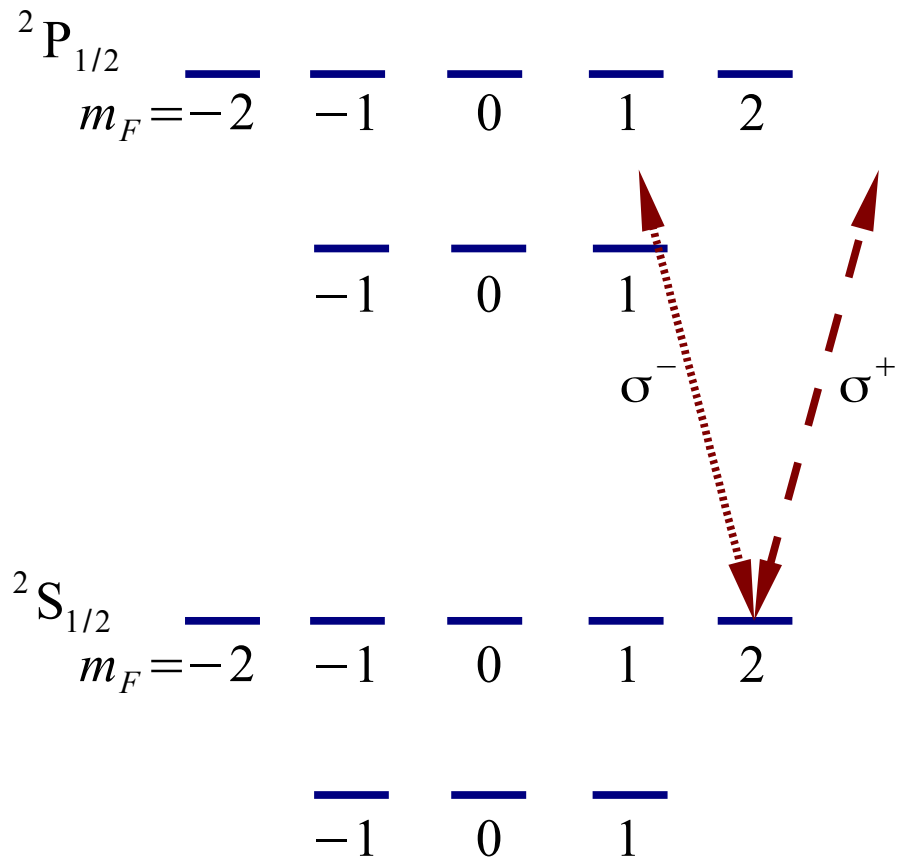
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- Indep. initial state
- Temperature independent
- Also continuous forces

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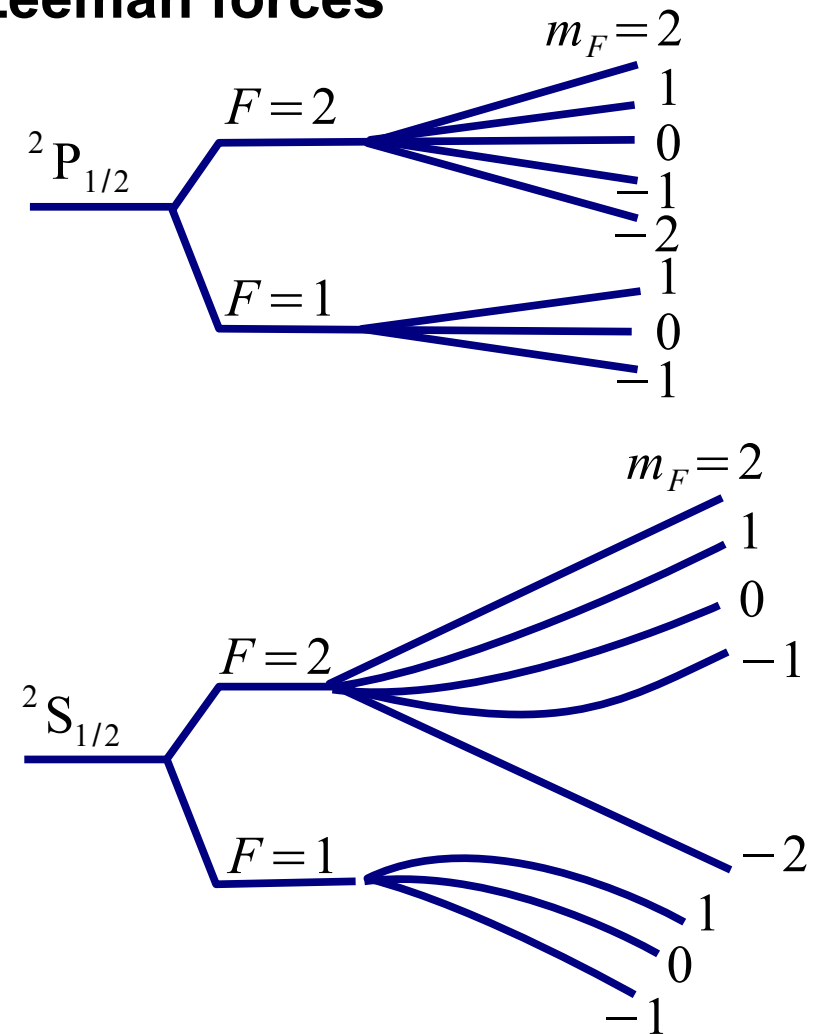


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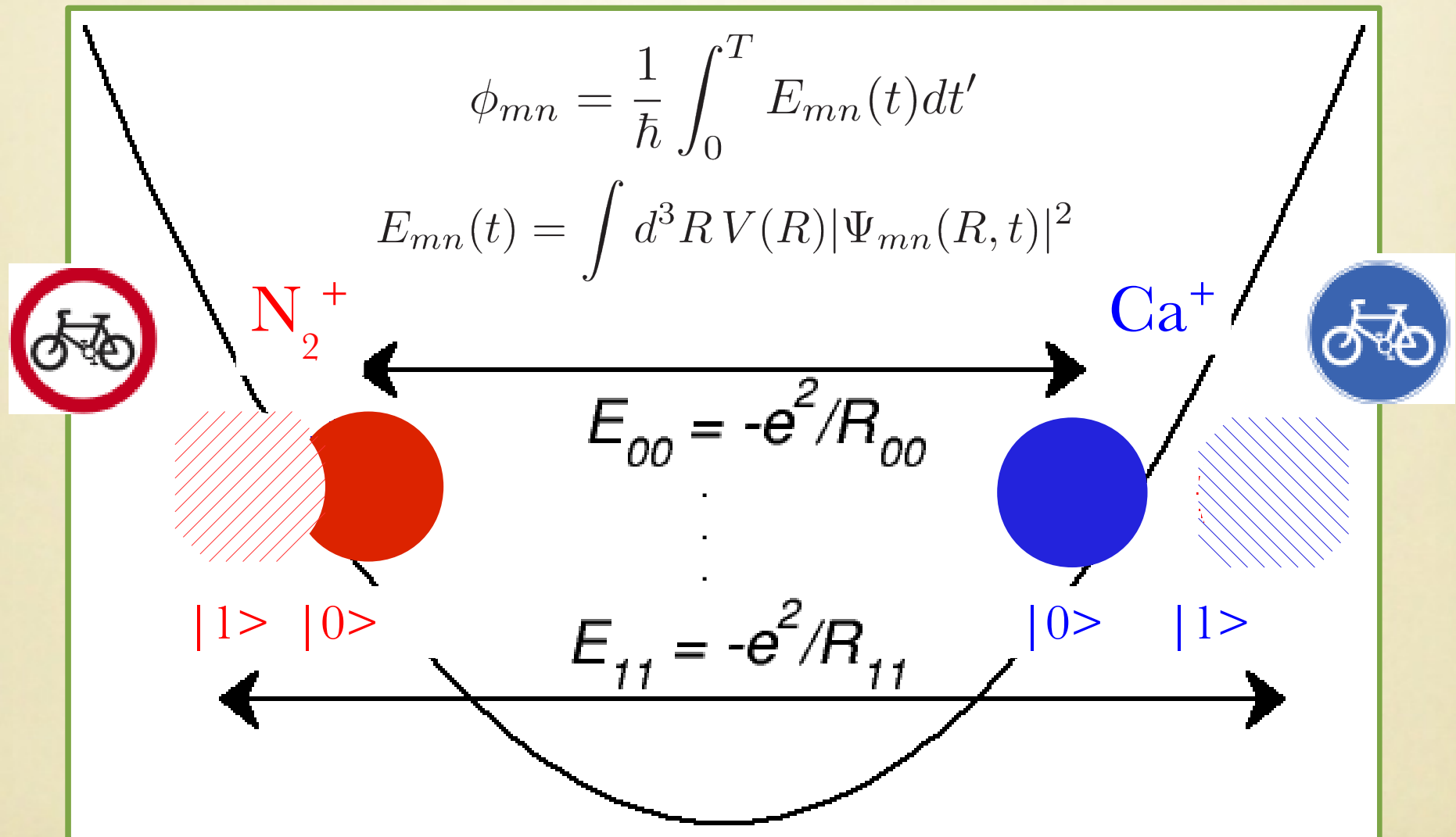
Optical (AC-Stark) forces



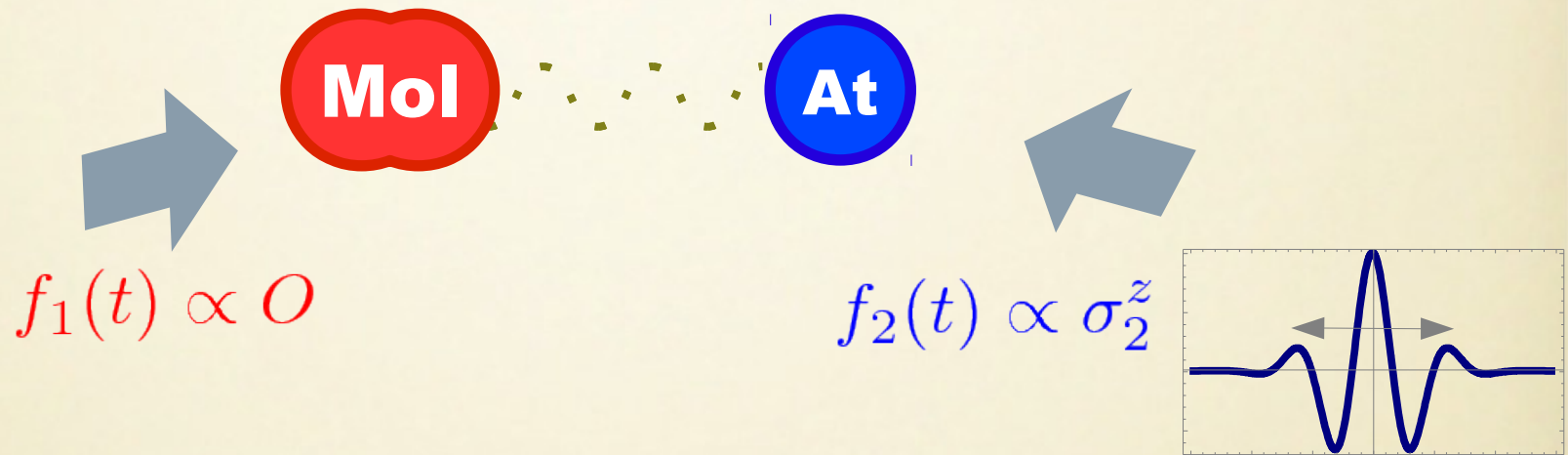
Zeeman forces



Physical picture: State-dep. *forces* lead to state-dep. *phases*



Phase accumulated by two driven ions



A function of the product of both forces:

$$\Phi_O = \text{Im} \int_0^T \int_0^t G(|t - t'|) f_1(t) f_2(t') dt dt'$$

$$G(t) = \frac{\sin(\omega_{com} t)}{m\hbar\omega_{com}} - \frac{\sin(\omega_{str} t)}{m\hbar\omega_{str}}$$

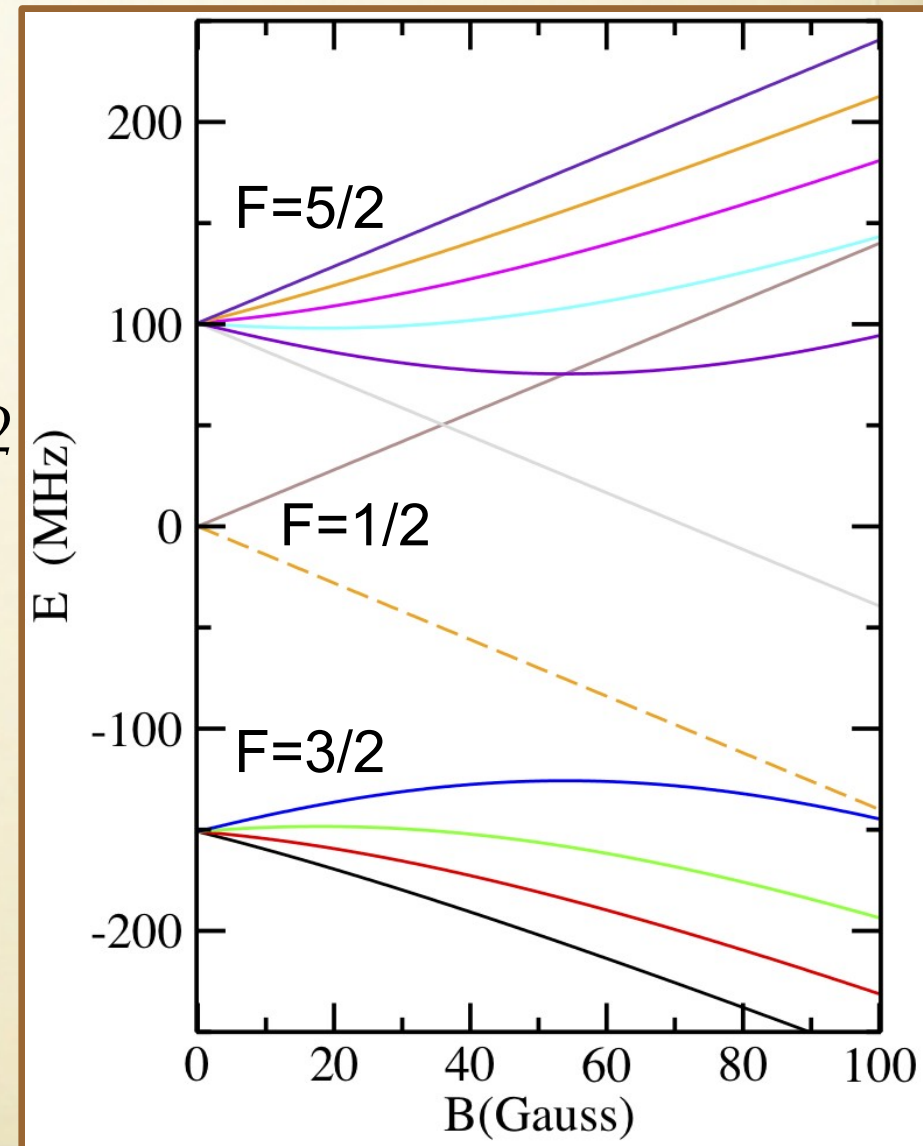
Molecular structure calculations to estimate (state-dep.) forces

We calculated the energy level structure of $^{14}\text{N}_2^+$ ($X^2\Sigma_g^+$, $v=0$) in magnetic field:

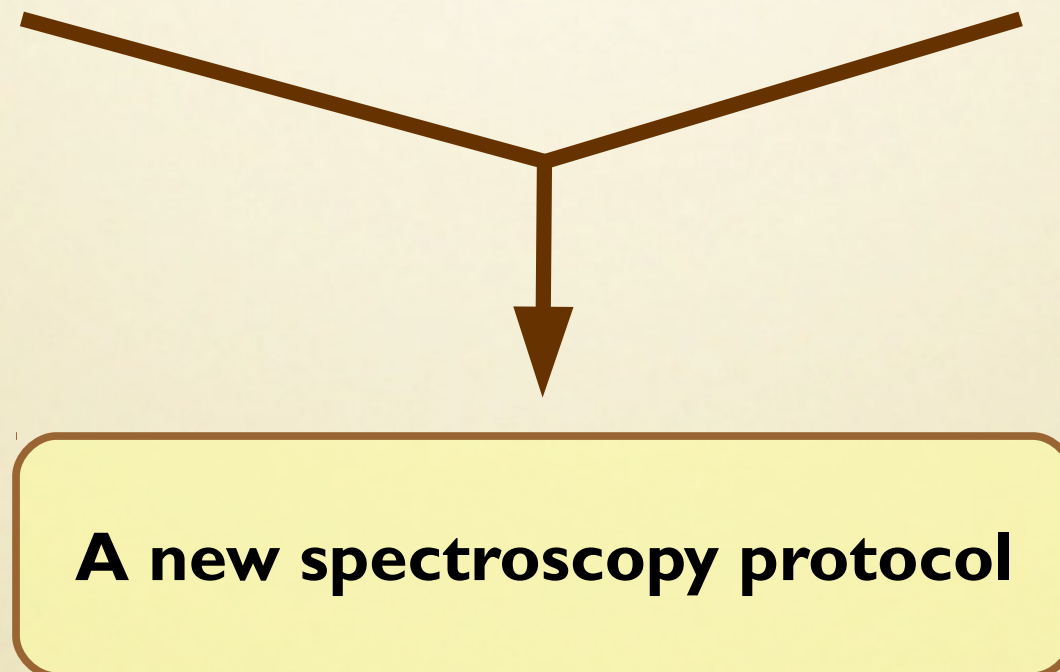
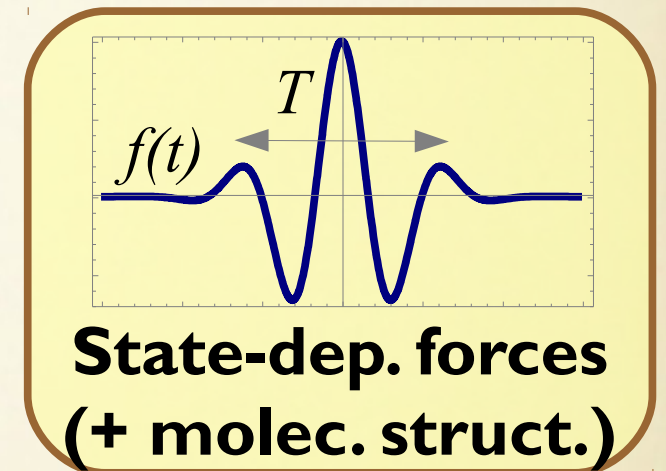
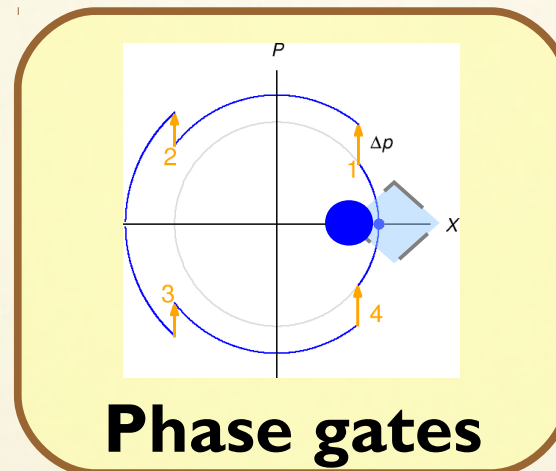
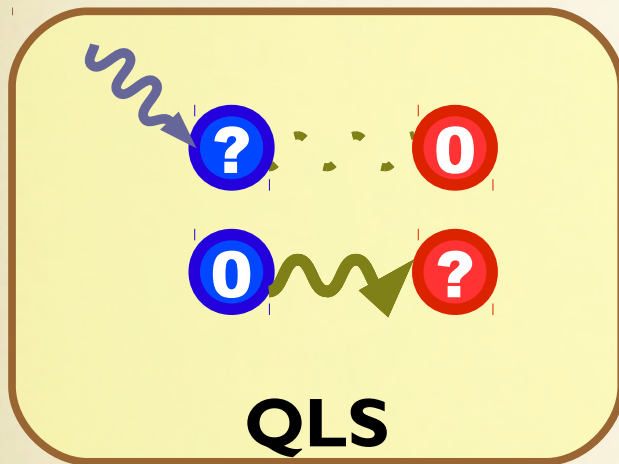
$$H = H_{\text{rot}} + H_{\text{sr}} + H_Z + H_{\text{hfs}}$$

- Nuclear spin: $I_1(^{14}\text{N})=1 \rightarrow I(^{14}\text{N}_2^+)=0, 2$
- Rotational ang. mom.: $N=0, 2, \dots$
- Hence, total spin $F=1/2, 3/2, 5/2, \dots$

Spacing ~ 100 MHz ~ 4.8 mK $\sim T$

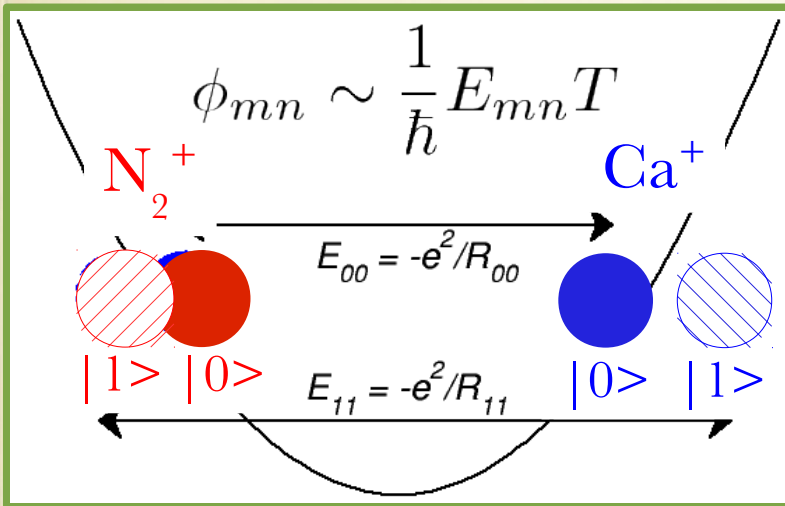


All together now!



A new spectroscopy protocol

Quantum Logic Spectroscopy + State-dependent forces =
a **Non-destructive measurement protocol**

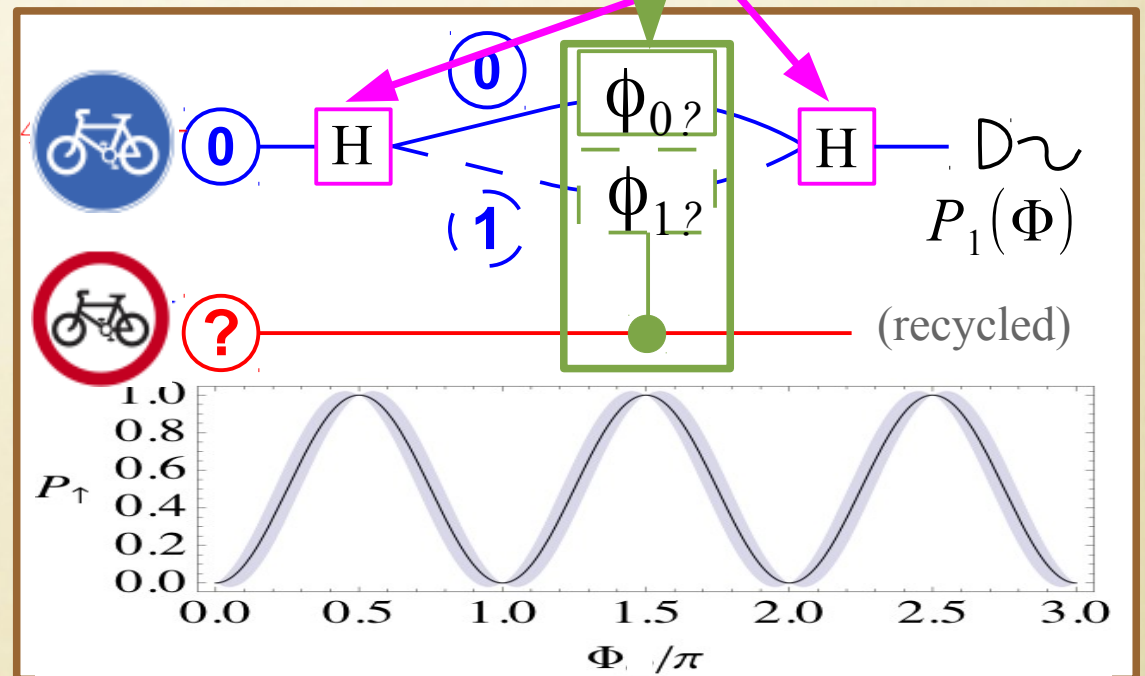


Recall: State-dependent forces
lead to state-dependent phases ϕ_{mn}

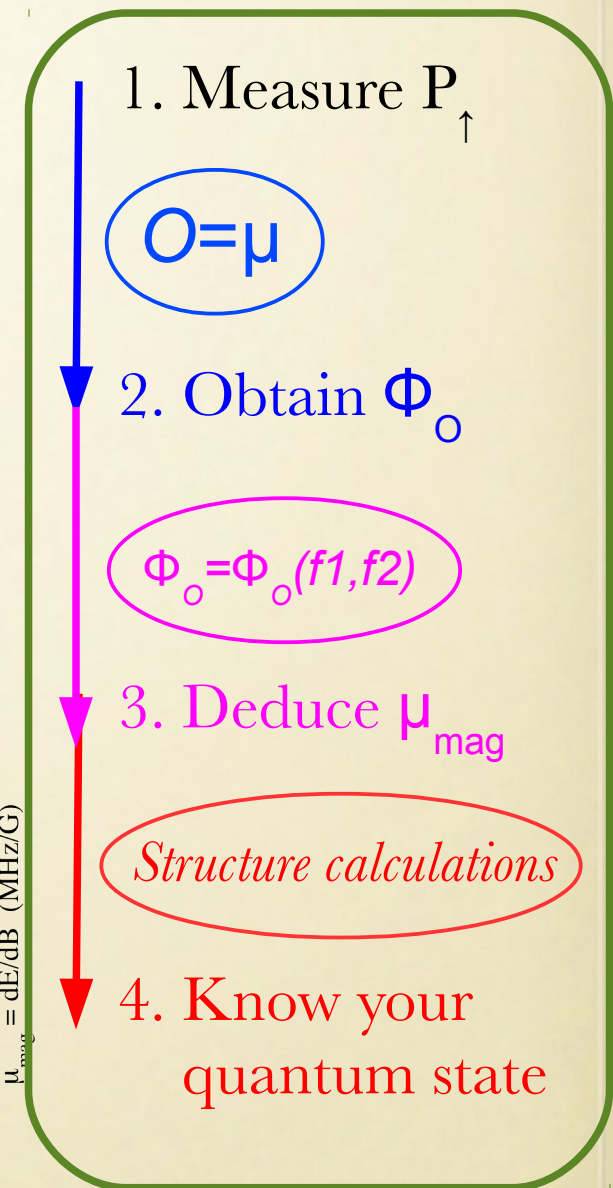
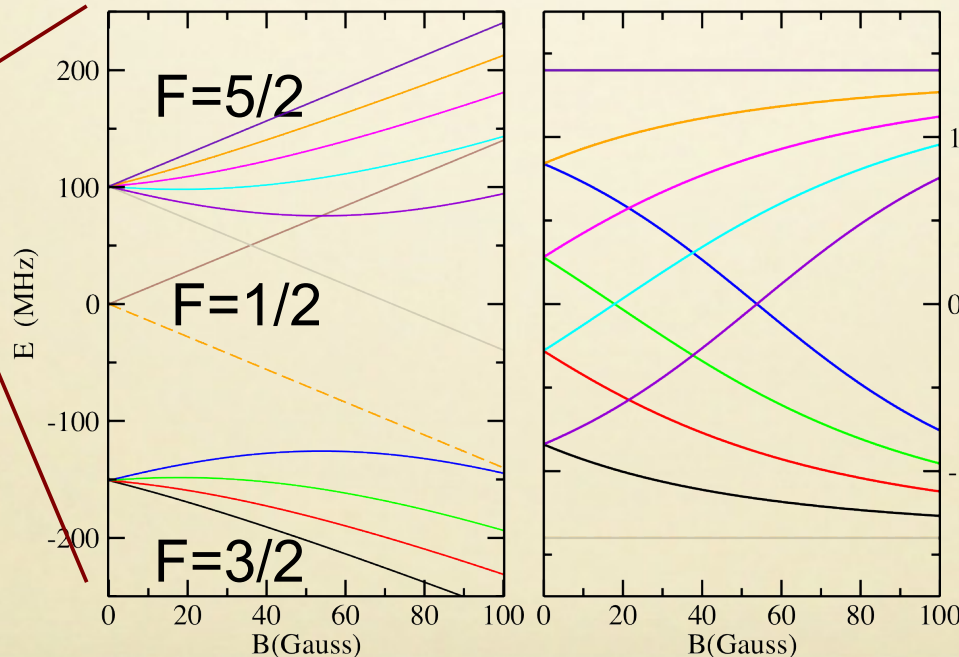
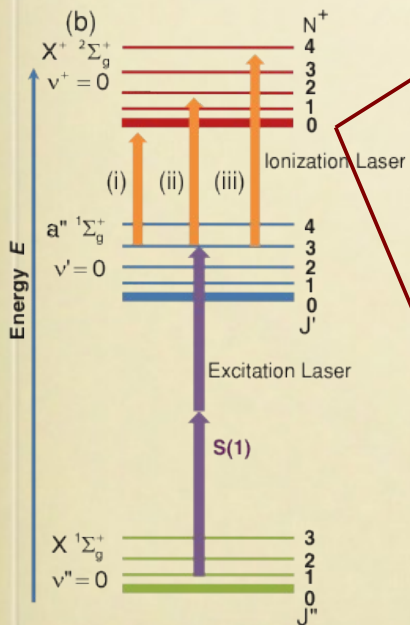
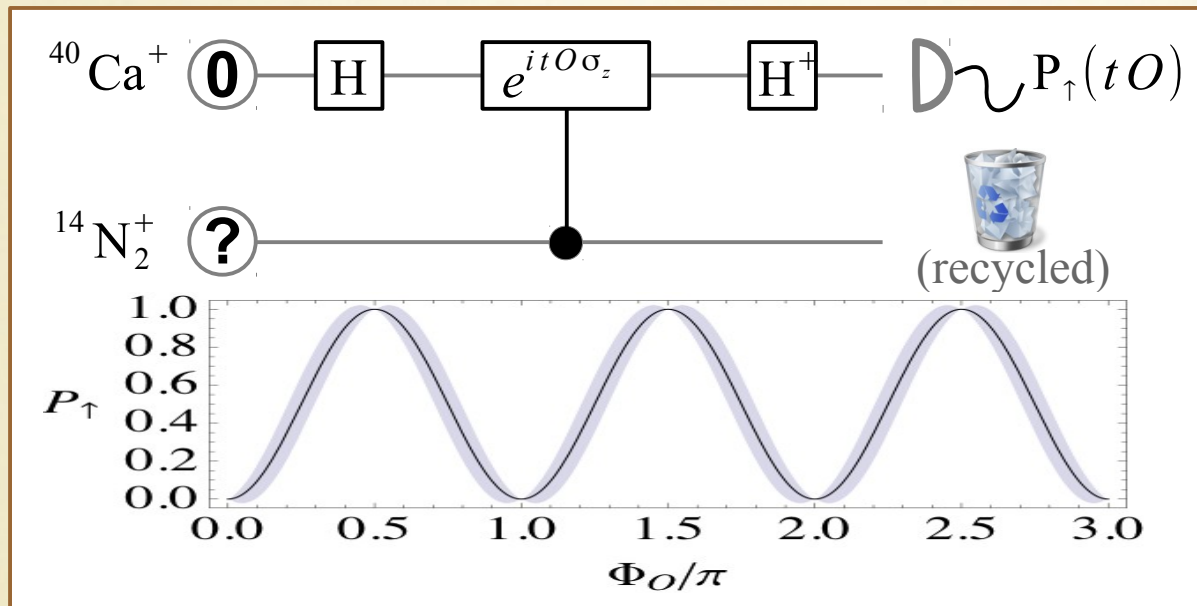
- 👍 No use of sidebands
⇒ **No need of cooling**
- 👍 Phase is measured, No energy transferred ⇒ **Fast** 🕒

Phase gate with state-dep. forces

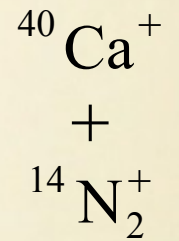
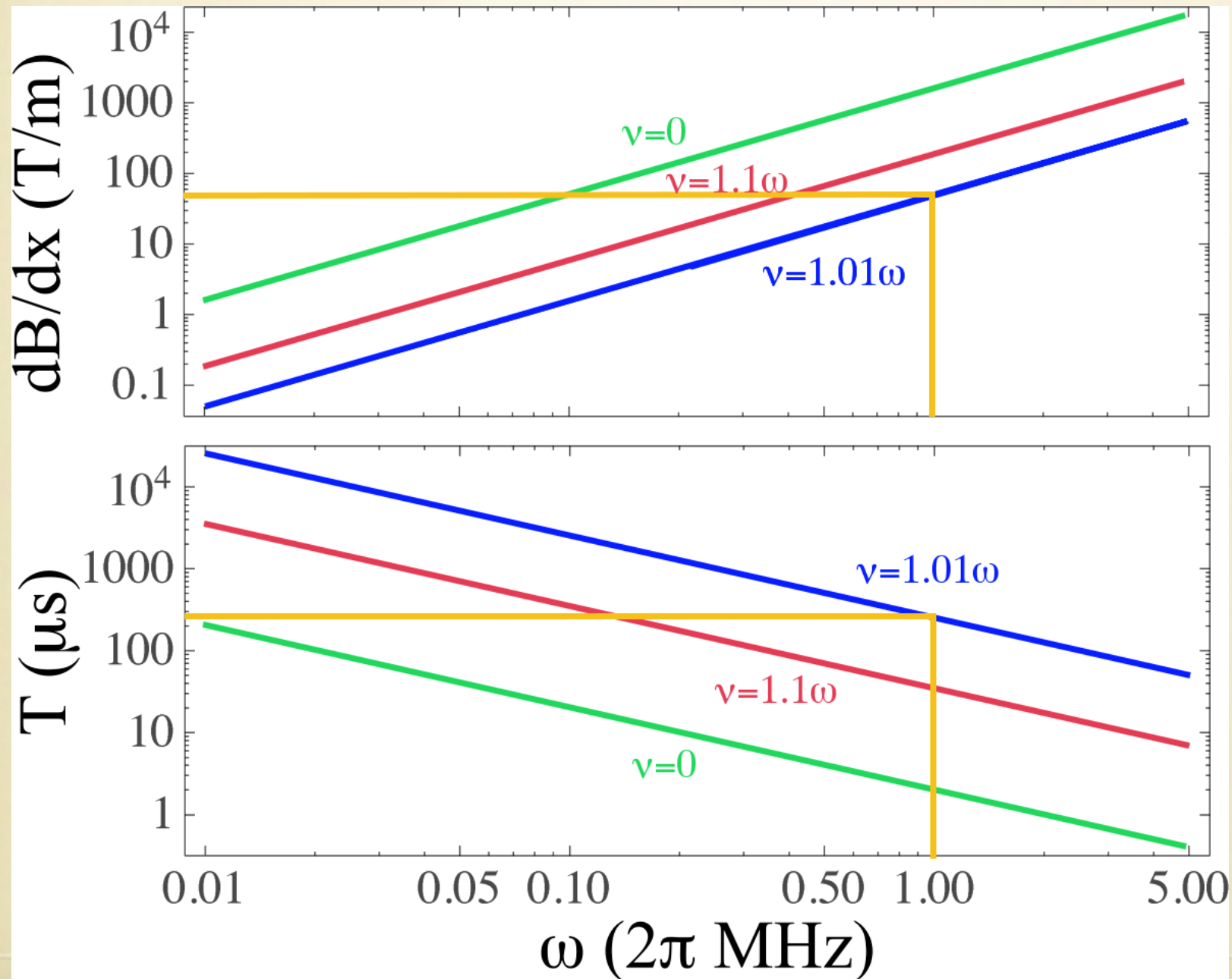
Ramsey sequence



How it works – Probing Zeeman levels



Time and field scales



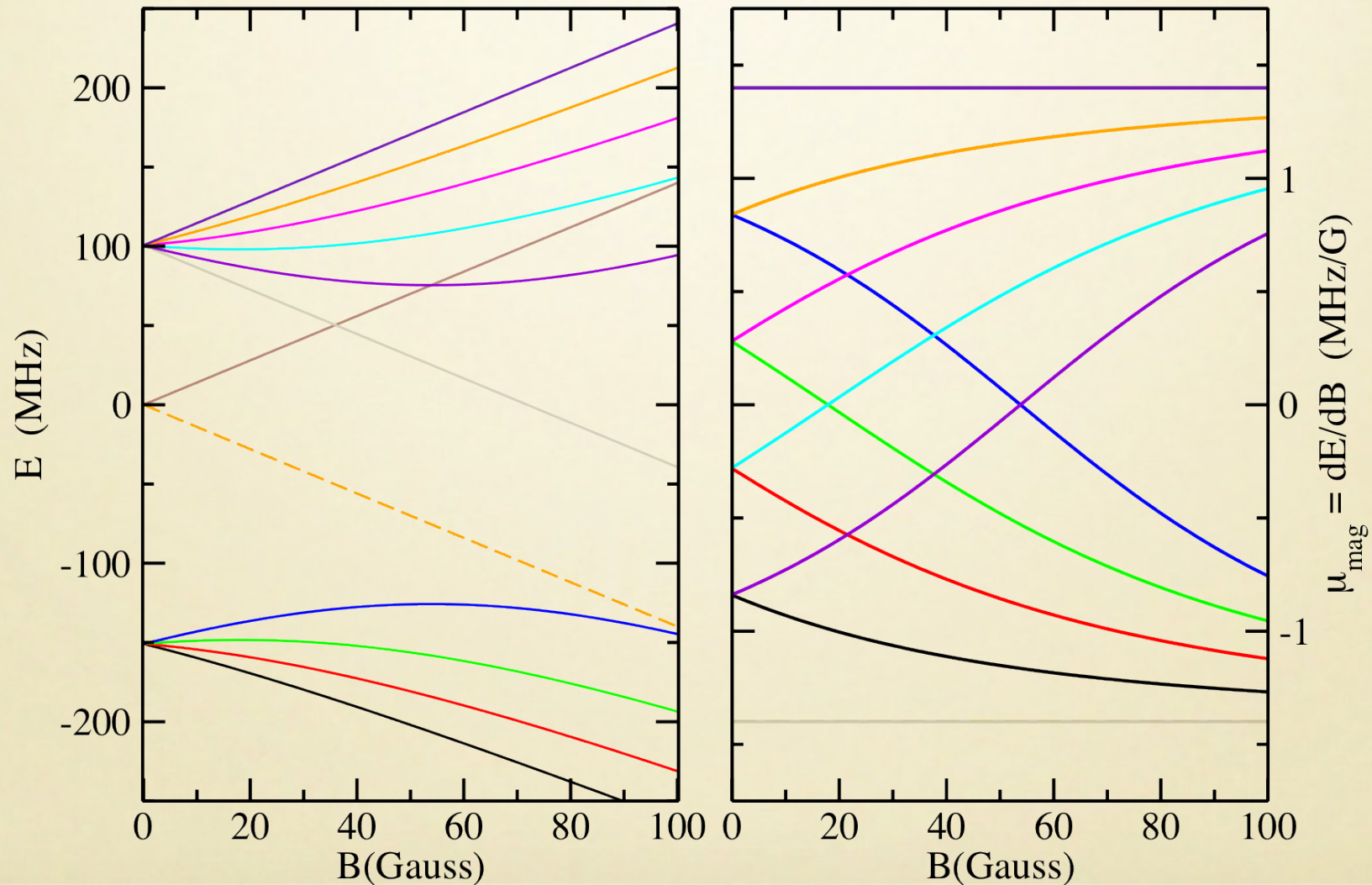
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With magnetic field fluctuations $\delta B \sim 1 \text{ nT}$ (*Häffner et al., Phys. Rep. 2008*), dephasing becomes relevant after a time

$$|0\rangle + e^{i\phi(t)} |1\rangle$$

$$\phi(T) = \frac{\Delta\mu_{\text{mag}}\delta B}{\hbar} T = 1 \text{ rad}$$

$$T \sim 1 \text{ ms}$$

Similar to the case of atomic ions.

Can we do better?

The case of $^{16}\text{O}_2^+$

Back to our molecular hyperfine structure Hamiltonian

$$H = H_{\text{rot}} + H_{\text{sr}} + H_{\text{Z}} + \cancel{H_{\text{hfs}}} + H_{\text{so}} + H_{\Lambda\text{-doubl}}$$

$^{16}\text{O}_2$ has nuclear spin $I=0$: **no hyperfine structure.**

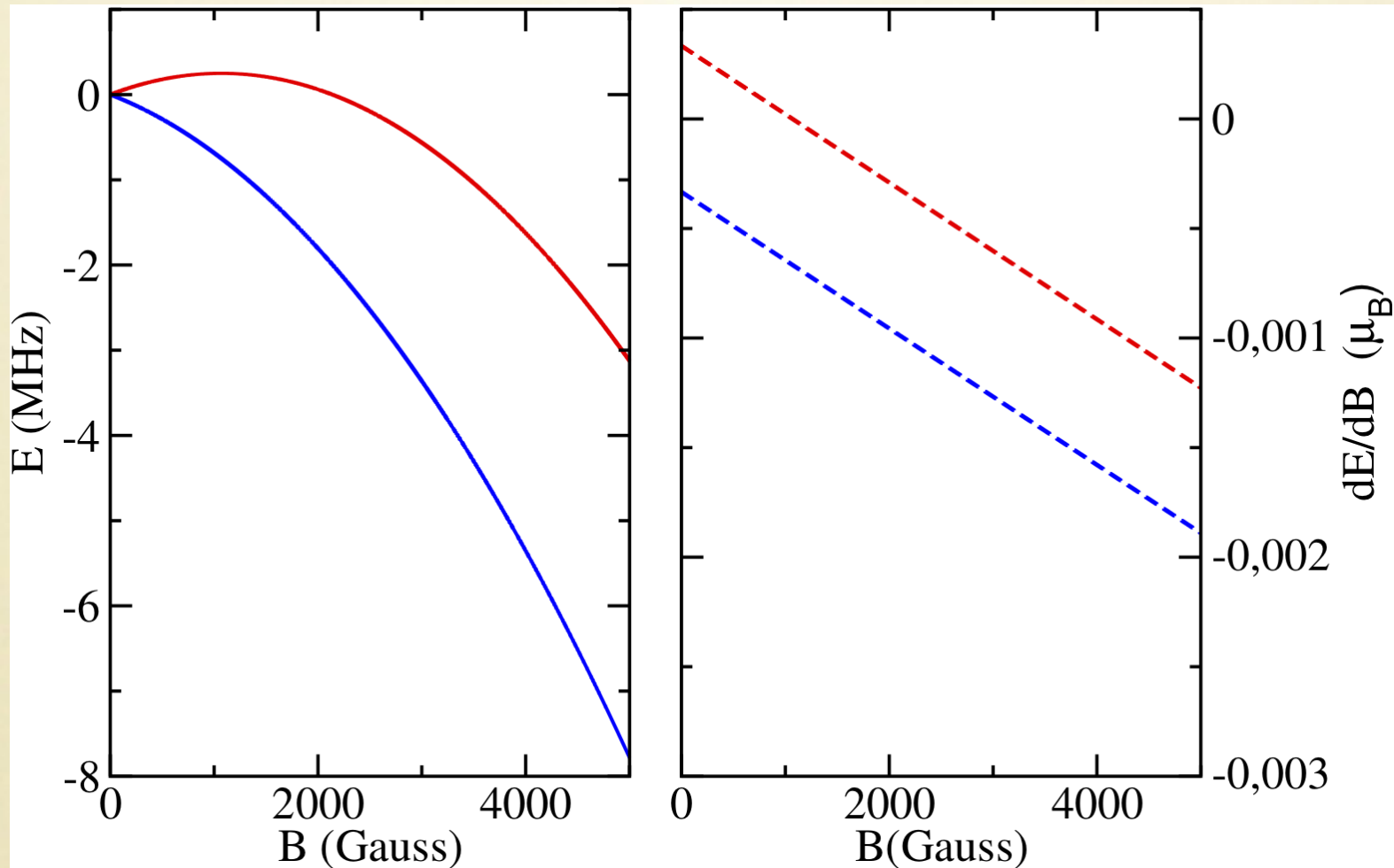
But g.s. = $^2\Pi$ ($\Lambda=1$): there are couplings to electronic **rotation!**

Zeeman levels of lowest rovibronic state (next one is ~ 12 K above):

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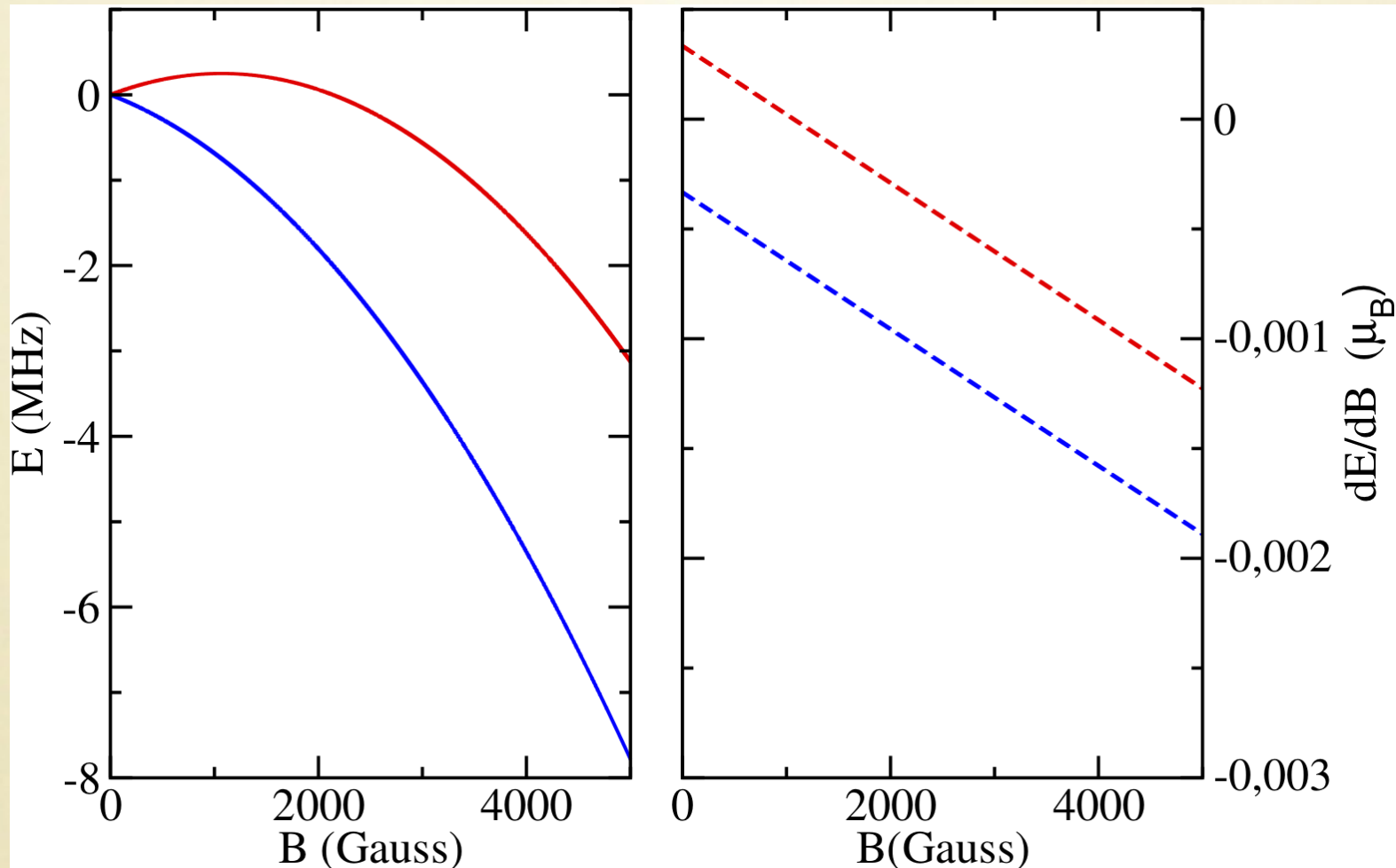
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Why this small sensitivity? Or an application to precision measurements

Zeeman Hamiltonian for $^{16}\text{O}_2^+$:

In a $^2\Pi_{|\Omega|}$ state:

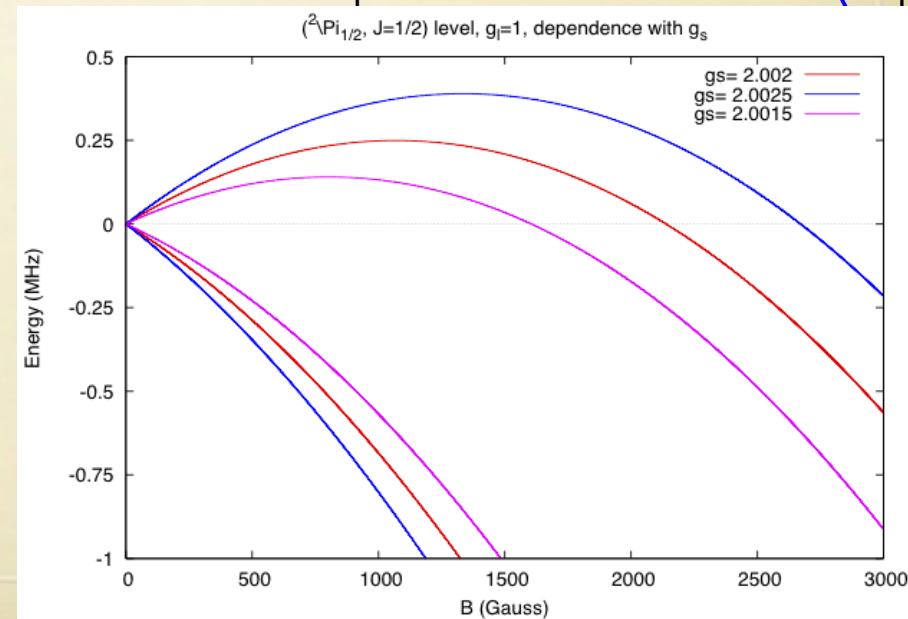
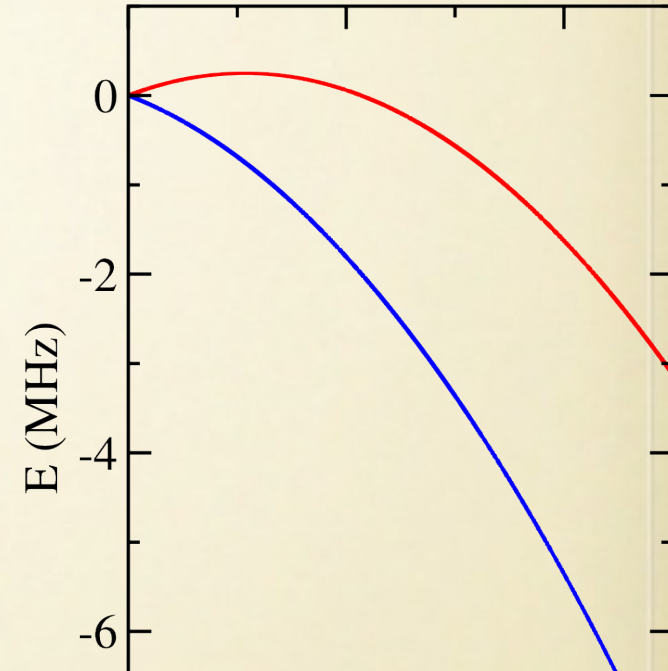
$$\begin{aligned} \langle ^2\Pi_{|\Omega'} J' M \pm | H_Z | ^2\Pi_{|\Omega} J M \pm \rangle = \\ \mu_B B_z G(J', J, |\Omega'|, M) \times \\ \times \sum_{q=0, \pm 1} \begin{pmatrix} J' & 1 & J \\ -|\Omega'| & 0 & |\Omega| \end{pmatrix} F(^2\Pi_{|\Omega'}, ^2\Pi_{|\Omega}, q); \end{aligned}$$

$$F(^2\Pi_{1/2}, ^2\Pi_{1/2}, q) = \delta_{q0} \left[g_L - \frac{g_S}{2} \right]$$

Looking for B field such that shift of

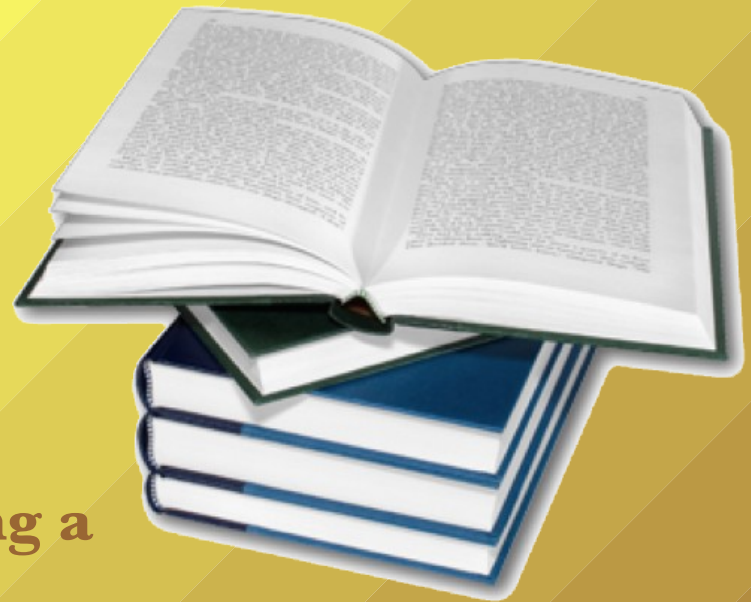
$$\left| X \ ^2\Pi_{1/2}, v = 0, J = \frac{1}{2}, M = \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle$$

equals zero \rightarrow measure g_S or g_L .



Outline

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- A molecular ion qubit
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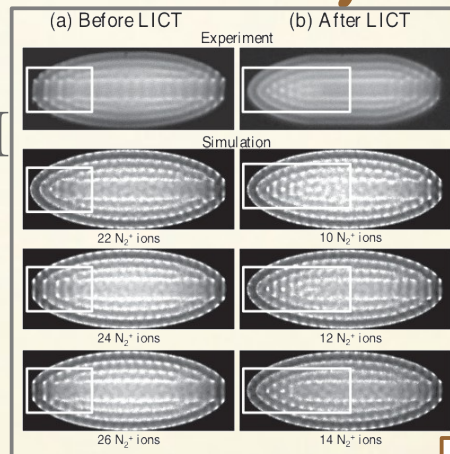


Measurement and control of polar molecules with atomic ions

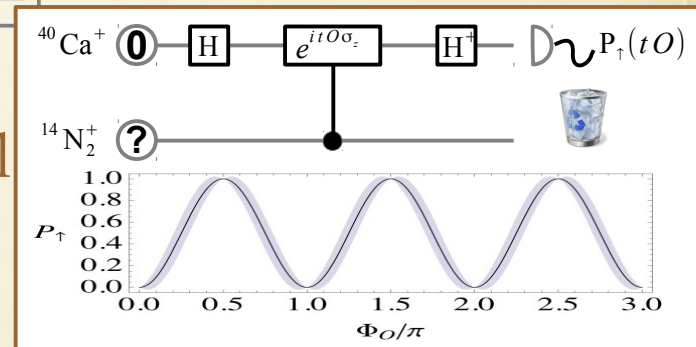
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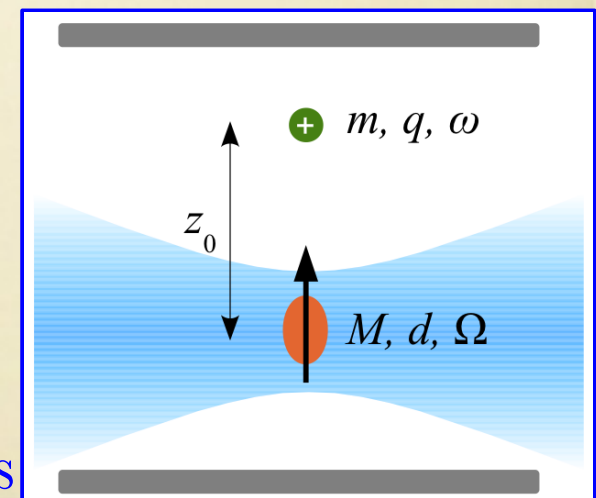
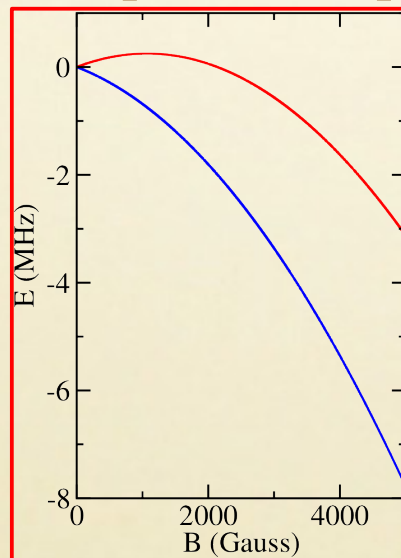
Cold molecules are good for QI



A new quantum spectroscopy protocol



A molecular-ion qubit

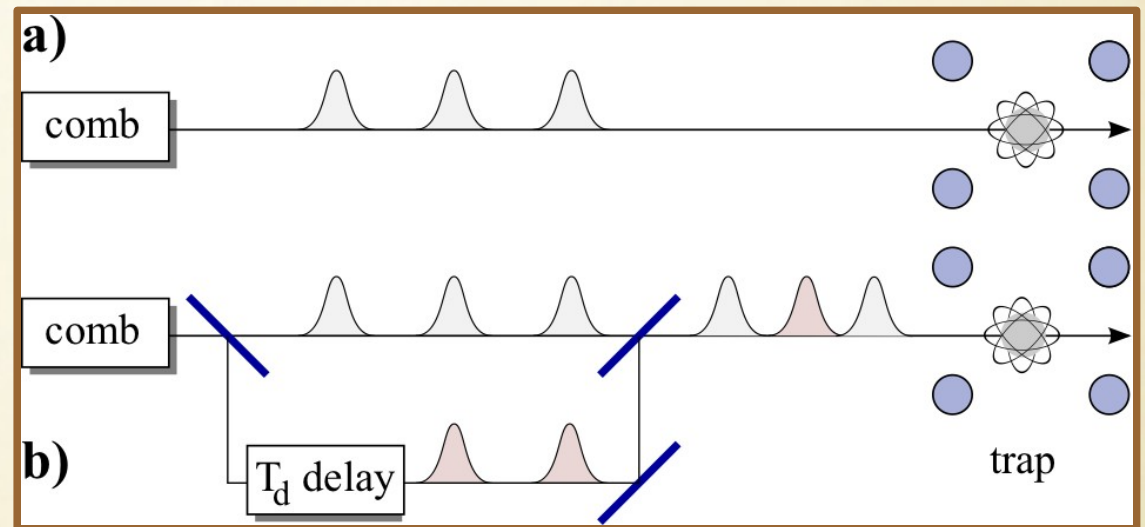


Measuring molecular EDMs

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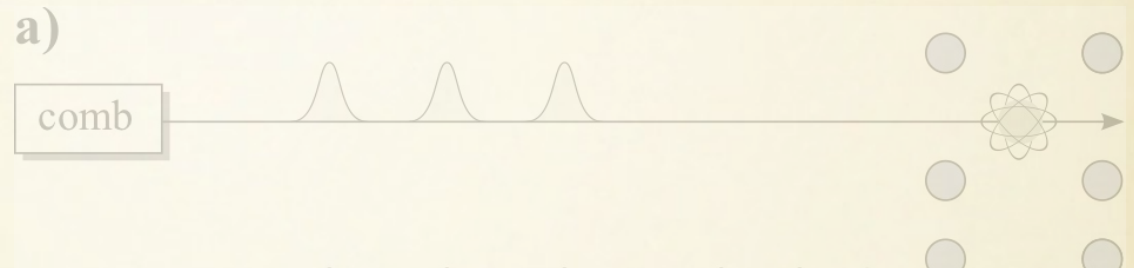
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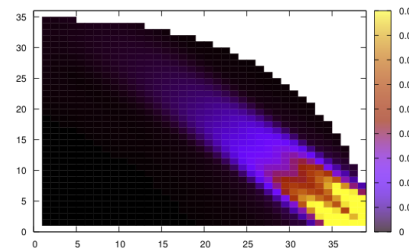
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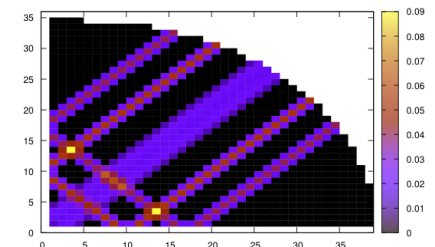
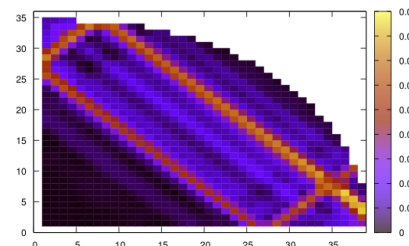
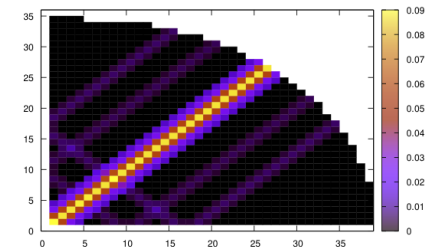


Scarred states in the band center

States with large width



States with zero width



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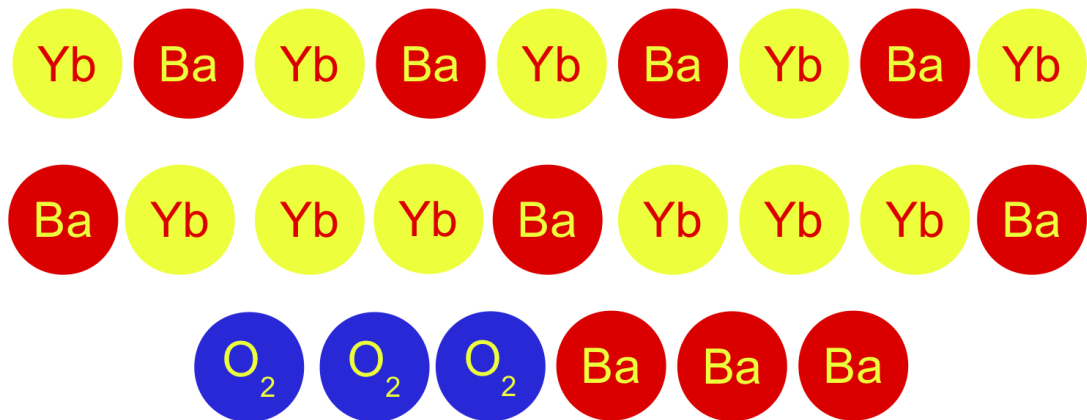
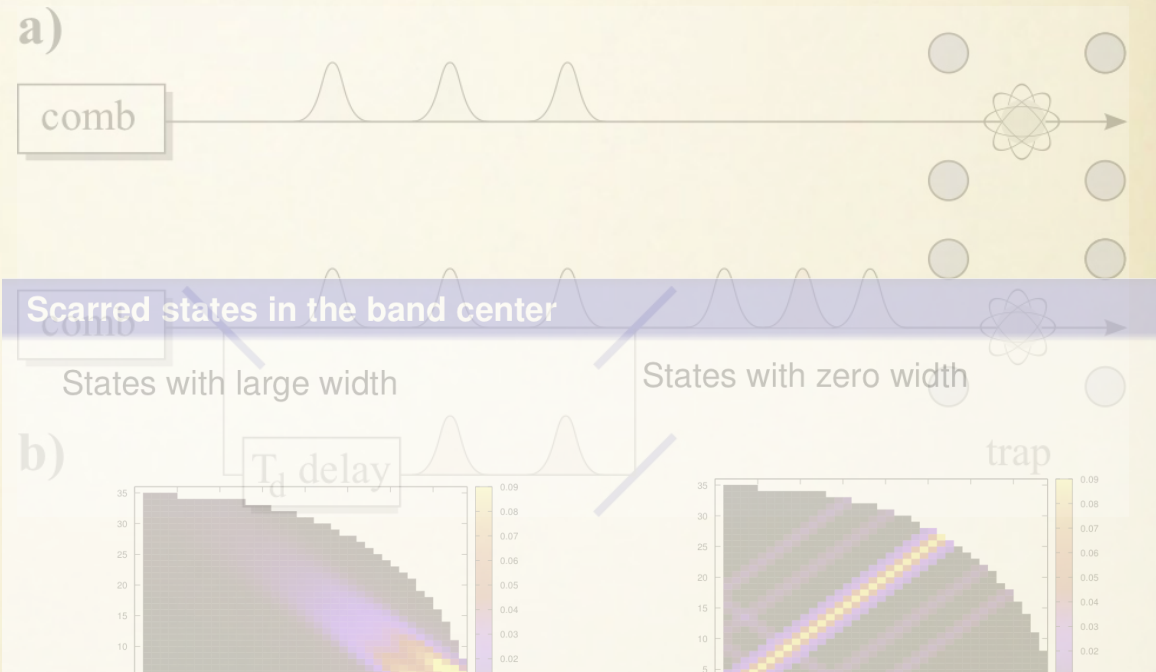
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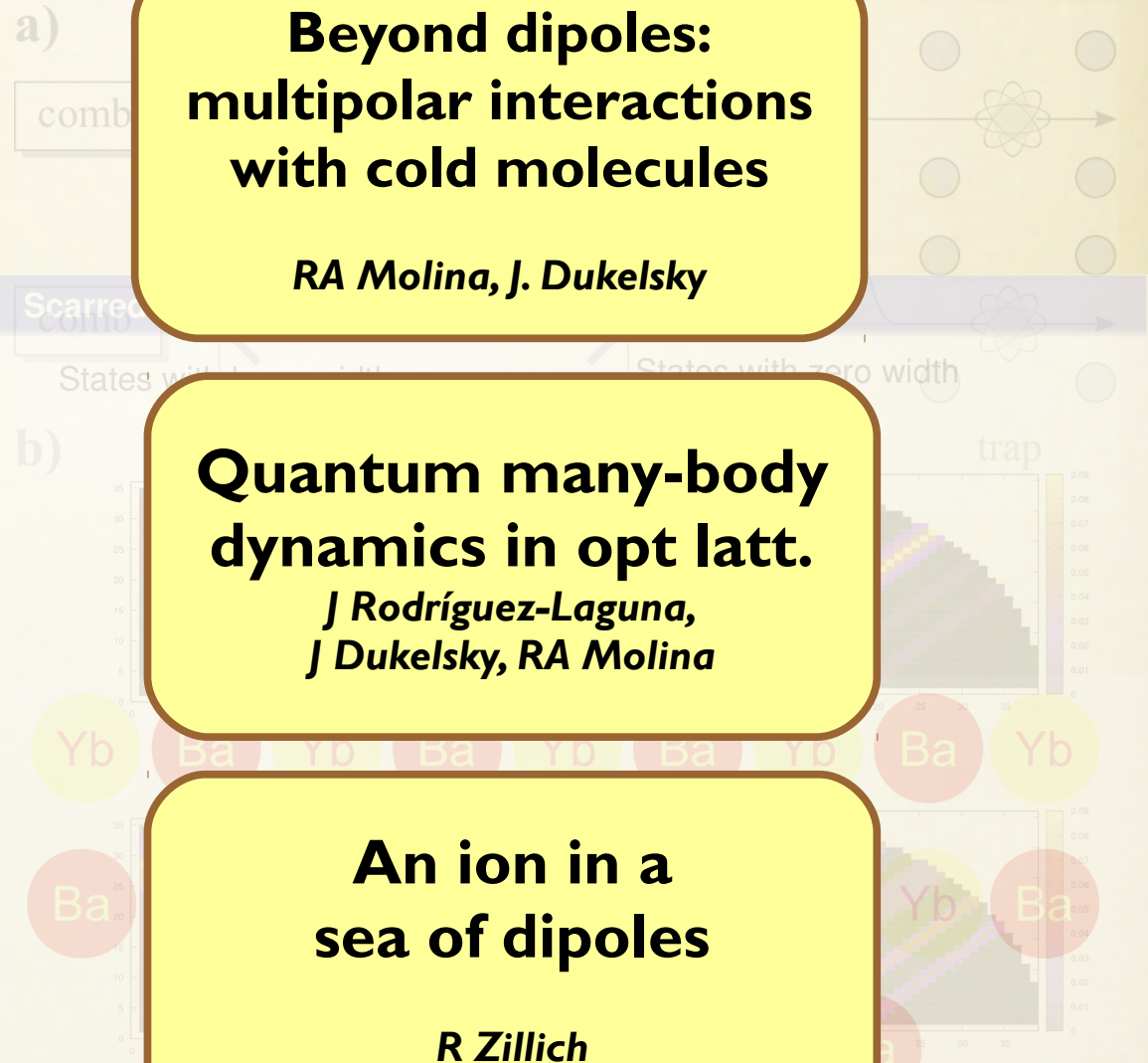
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