

Quantum Information Processing with Ultracold Atoms and Molecules in Optical Lattices

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Overview

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- II. Neutral particles trapped in optical lattices

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- II. Optical lattices
- III. Long-range interactions

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- II. Fast oscillatory potentials for scanning the phase diagram
- III. Trains of pulses to align molecules

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I. Introduction

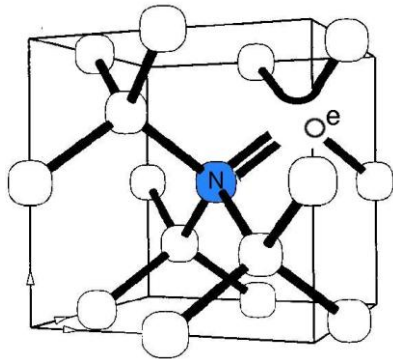
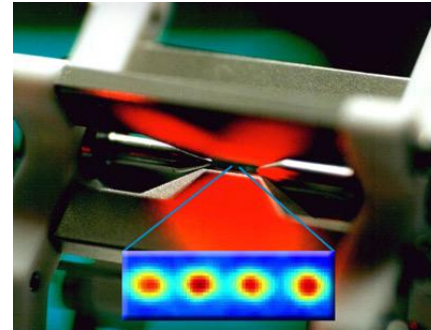
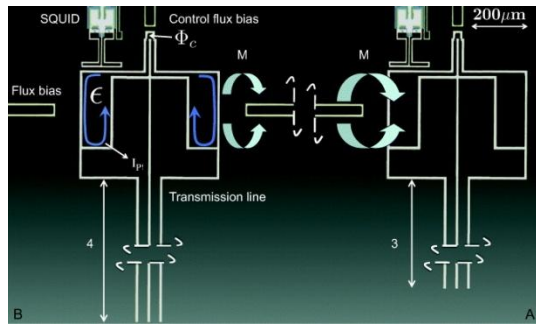
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I. Requirements for QIP (DiVincenzo)

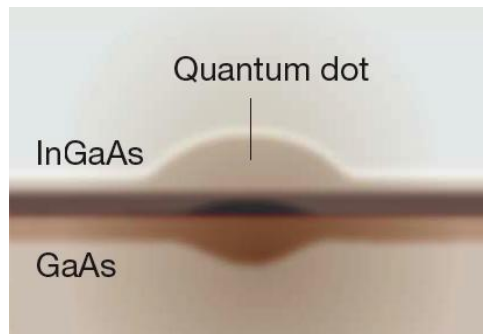
- ❑ Quantum register: set of qubits
Superpositions & entanglement
- ❑ Isolated from environment → prevent decoherence
- ❑ Universal set of gates: two-qubit gate & single qubit operations
- ❑ Initial state preparation
- ❑ Detection of the quantum states
- ❑ Scalability of the system
- ❑ Networking ability

I. Requirements for QIP

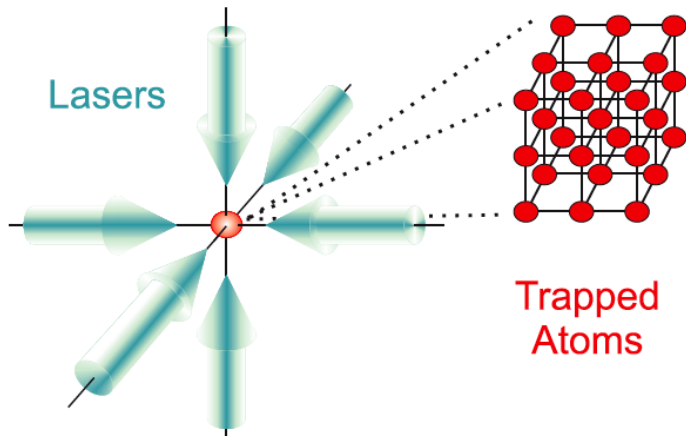
→ Quantum State Engineering



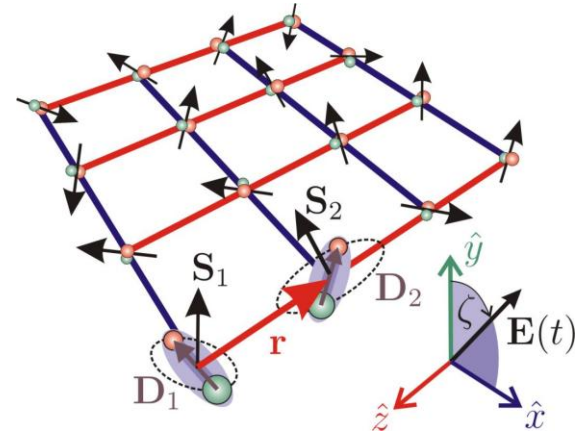
Candidates for QIP



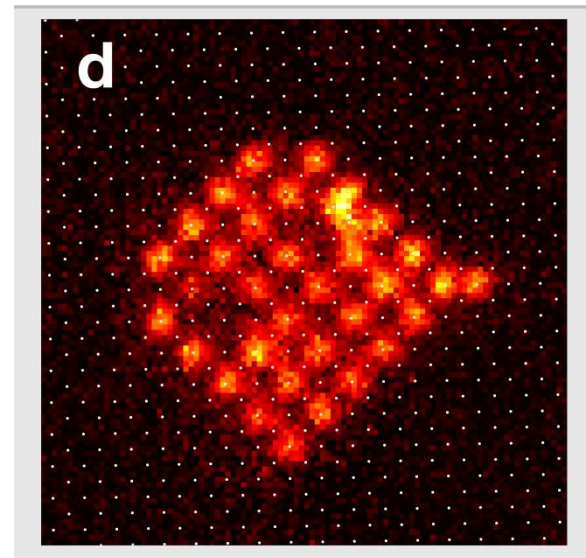
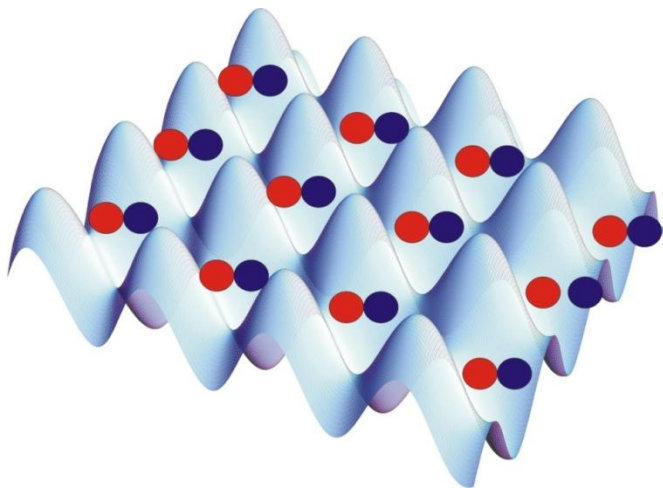
II. Neutral particles trapped in Optical Lattices



D. Jaksch, Contemporary Physics 2004



Zoller et al PRA 76,043604 (2007)



I. Bloch's group arxiv:1101.2076

Key elements

1) Qubits $\{|0\rangle_j, |1\rangle_j\}$

$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{j_1, j_2, \dots, j_N=0}^1 c_{j_1 j_2 \dots j_N} |j_1\rangle_1 \otimes |j_2\rangle_2 \otimes \dots \otimes |j_N\rangle_N$$

2) Low decoherence rates: neutral particles with small dipole moments

3) Large systems

4) High controllability: engineering of Hamiltonians and strongly correlated quantum states

Engineering Hamiltonians

$$H = \sum_{\sigma j j'} T_{\sigma j} \mathbf{b}_{\sigma j}^+ \mathbf{b}_{\sigma j'} + \sum_{\sigma j k} U_{\sigma \sigma' j k} \mathbf{b}_{\sigma j}^+ \mathbf{b}_{\sigma' k}^+ \mathbf{b}_{\sigma' k} \mathbf{b}_{\sigma j}$$

- i) single and two-qubit interactions
- ii) many-body quantum states are strongly correlated such that interactions between qubits of the same order as the single qubit energies
- iii) many-body states are characterized by correlations $\langle \mathbf{b}_{\sigma j}^{(+)} \mathbf{b}_{\sigma' k} \rangle$ which break the symmetries and define complicated phase diagrams characterized by $U_{\sigma \sigma'} / T_{\sigma}$.
quantum phase transitions
- iv) strong correlations $\rightarrow$ entanglement

5) Entanglement

Strongly correlated phases in optical lattices

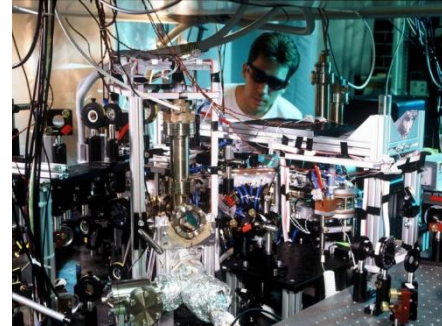
Challenges:

- On-site resolution is difficult as interparticle distance in the order of the diffraction limit of light.

On-site manipulation & detection is now possible ✓

- Neutral particles with small dipole moments result only in on-site interactions in the lattice.

Long-range interactions appear in ultracold molecules ✓



II.

Manipulation of neutral atoms

- I. Ultracold samples are manipulated with magnetic and laser fields
- II. Optical Lattice potentials
- III. Long-range interactions

I. Ultracold atomic samples

□ Quantum degenerate regime

deBroglie wavelength $\lambda_T \sim (mT)^{-1/2} \sim$ interparticle distance $n^{-1/3}$

gas samples are **dilute** $\sim 10^{13-15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ and **ultracold** $\sim 100 \text{ nK}$

□ Alkali atoms

electronic spin $J=L+S$ $L=0 \rightarrow J=1/2$

I nuclear spin

total spin $F=I+J \rightarrow F=I \pm 1/2$

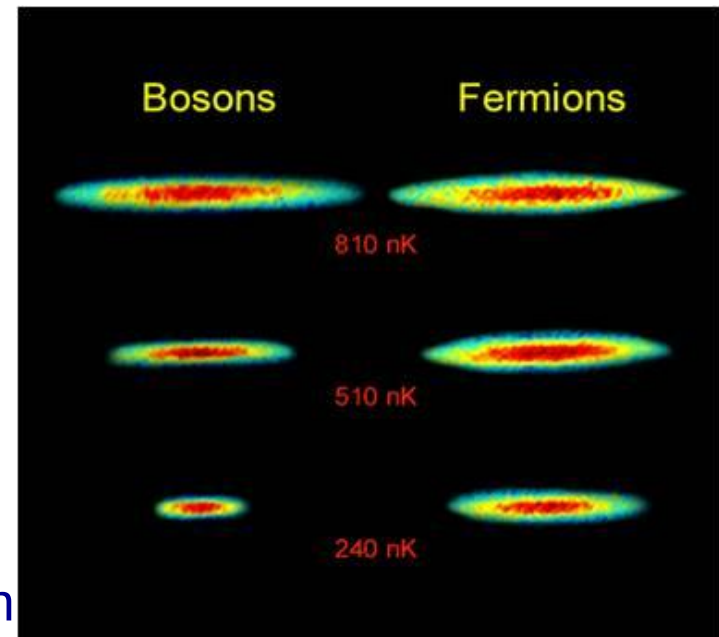
$I=3/2$ for ^{87}Rb

Total spin $\rightarrow$ Fermi/Bose statistics

□ Dilute $\rightarrow$ 2-body collisions whose sign

□ Trapping with magnetic fields and opt

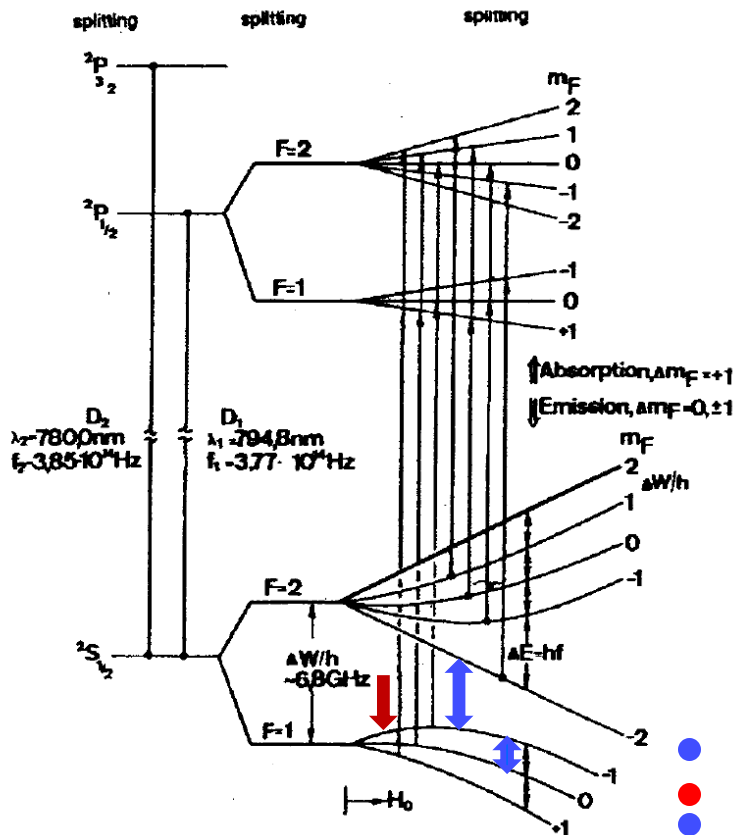
□ Imaging with CCD camera



R. Hulet's group

I. Magnetic and optical trapping

□ Zeeman splitting



□ Optical dipole force

Interaction of atom with laser field

$$H_{\text{int}} = -\mathbf{d} \cdot \mathbf{E} = -d E(\mathbf{r}) \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

If the laser is far detuned from the transition it remains in the ground state and experiences an effective dipole potential

$$V(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\hbar \delta \Omega(\mathbf{r})^2}{\delta^2}$$

$$\Omega(\mathbf{r}) = \langle e | \mathbf{d} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}} E(\mathbf{r}) e^{i\varphi(\mathbf{r})} | g \rangle / 2$$

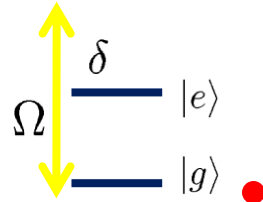
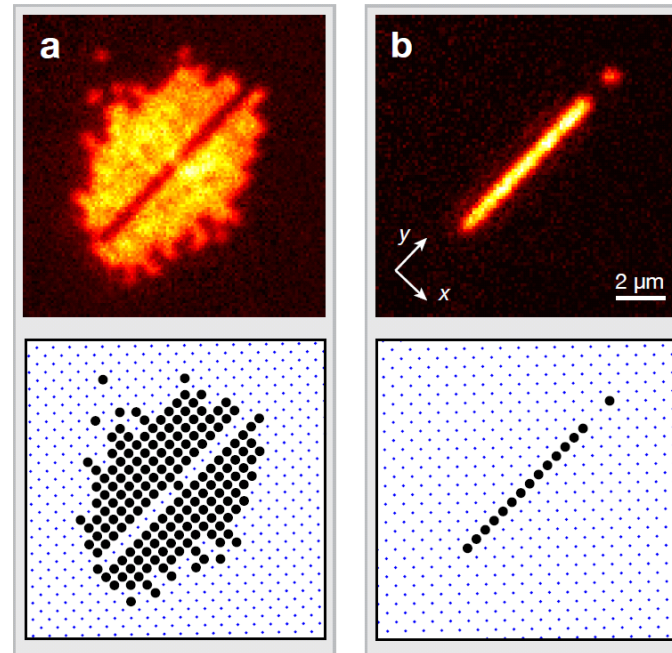
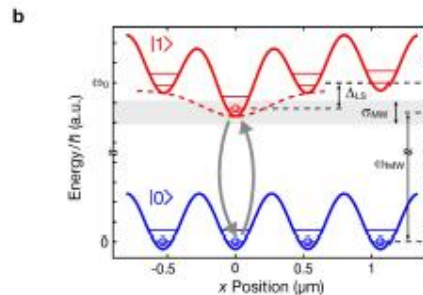
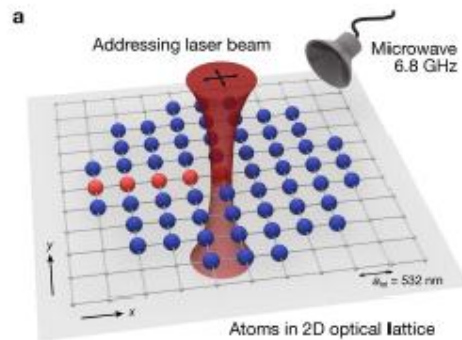
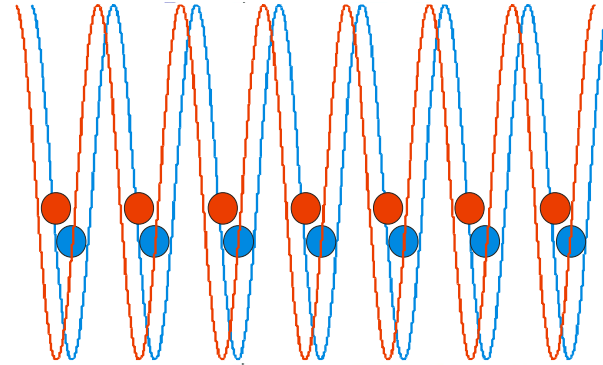
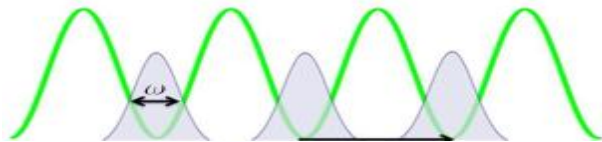


Fig. 1 Energy Level Scheme for Rb^{87}

II. Optical lattice potentials

Counter-propagating laser beams result in a standing-wave configuration

$$V(\mathbf{r}) \sim I = I_0 \cos^2(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r})$$



II. Hubbard model

tight-binding regime: kinetic energy+ two-body interactions

$$\hat{K} = \int d\mathbf{r} \sum_{\sigma=\uparrow,\downarrow} \left[\hat{\psi}_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{r}) \left(-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{2m} + V_{\sigma}(\mathbf{r}) - \mu_{\sigma} \right) \hat{\psi}_{\sigma}(\mathbf{r}) \right] \\ + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\sigma,\beta=\uparrow,\downarrow} \int d\mathbf{r} \int d\mathbf{r}' u_{\sigma\beta}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') \hat{\psi}_{\sigma}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\psi}_{\beta}^{\dagger}(\mathbf{r}') \hat{\psi}_{\beta}(\mathbf{r}') \hat{\psi}_{\sigma}(\mathbf{r}),$$
$$\hat{\psi}_{\sigma}(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_j \hat{c}_{j\sigma} w(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_j)$$

$$H_0 = J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle \sigma} c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{j\sigma} + U \sum_j c_{j\uparrow}^{\dagger} c_{j\downarrow}^{\dagger} \hat{c}_{j\downarrow} \hat{c}_{j\uparrow}$$

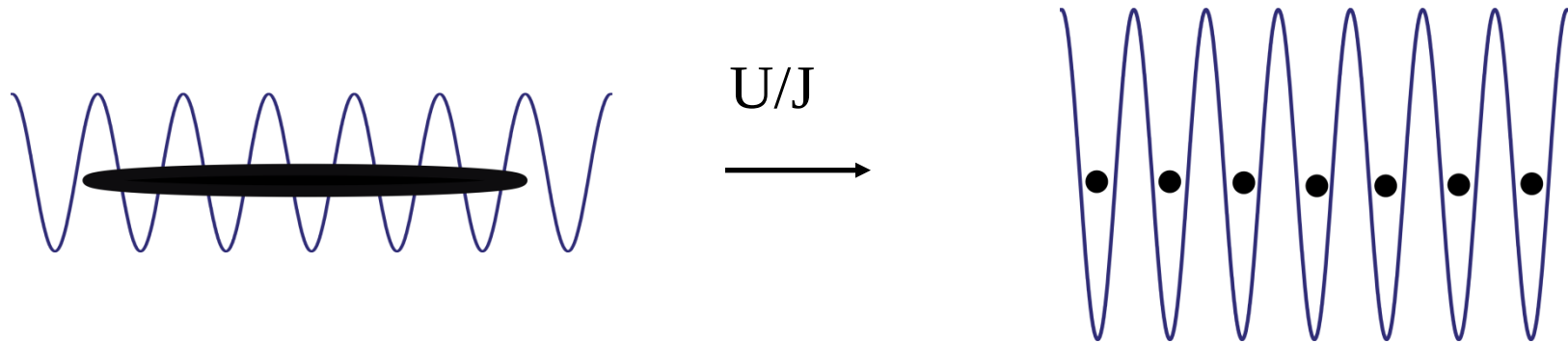
$$J = - \int d\mathbf{r} w^{\dagger}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_i) \left[-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{2m} \right] w(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_j)$$

tunneling rate

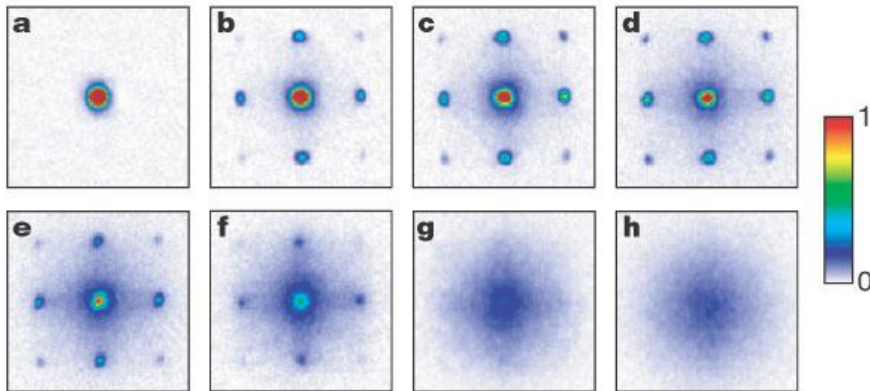
$$U = \frac{4\pi a_s \hbar^2}{m} \int d\mathbf{r} |w(\mathbf{r})|^4$$

on-site two-body interaction

II. Superfluid to Mott-insulator transition: initialization of a qubit register



$$H = -J \sum_j \left(a_j^\dagger a_{j+1} + a_{j+1}^\dagger a_j \right) + \frac{U}{2} \sum_j n_j (n_j - 1)$$



a-h $V_0 = 0-20 E_R$

$$n \propto \sum_{i,j} e^{ik(r_i - r_j)} \langle a_i^\dagger a_j \rangle$$

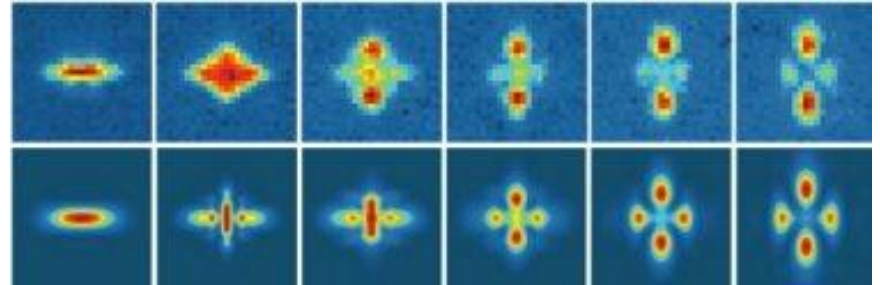
D. Jaksch et al, PRL 81,3108 (1998)

Experiment:

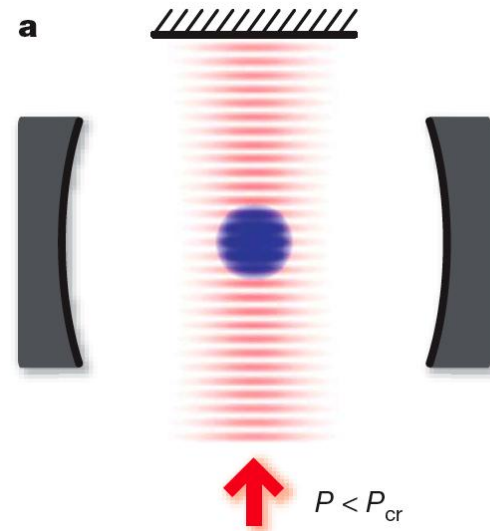
M. Greiner, O. Mandel, T. Esslinger, T. W. Haensch and I. Bloch, Nature **415**, 39 (2002)

III. Long-range interactions in neutral atoms

- Strong magnetic moments: Chromium atoms
- Cavity induced long-range interactions
- Coupling to Rydberg states of the atoms



T. Pfau's group Stuttgart



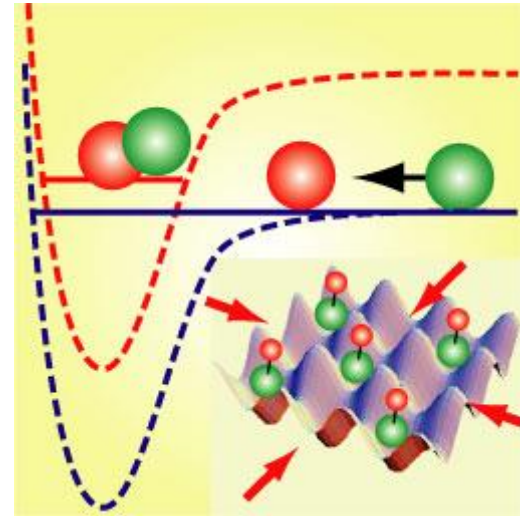
T. Esslinger's group Nature 464 (2010)

III. Dipolar molecules

- In the presence of external fields, molecules present high effective dipolar moments depending on the **rotational states** of the molecule.
- Strong electric dipole moments result in long-range dipole-dipole interactions between the molecules

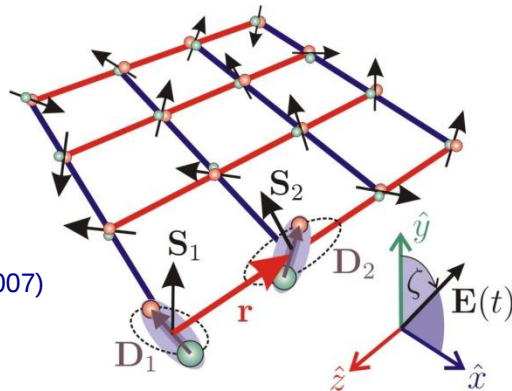
$$H_{dd} = \frac{\mathbf{d}_1 \cdot \mathbf{d}_2 - 3(\mathbf{d}_1 \cdot \mathbf{e}_R)(\mathbf{e}_R \cdot \mathbf{d}_2)}{R^3}$$

- Hubbard-Hamiltonians with long-range interactions could be realized.



Experiments with dipolar dimers at JILA and Innsbruck are at the edge of reaching **quantum degeneracy !!**

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II. Manipulation

III.

Quantum state engineering with time dependent fields

- I. Twin-Fock states for Heisenberg-limited interferometry
- II. Fast oscillatory potentials to cross the phase diagram
- III. Orientation of molecules with trains of laser pulses

III.I

Generation of twin-Fock states for Heisenberg-limited interferometry

Melting the state

$$|\Psi_{ab}\rangle = \prod_{i=1}^N |ab\rangle_i$$

Two-component Mott insulators

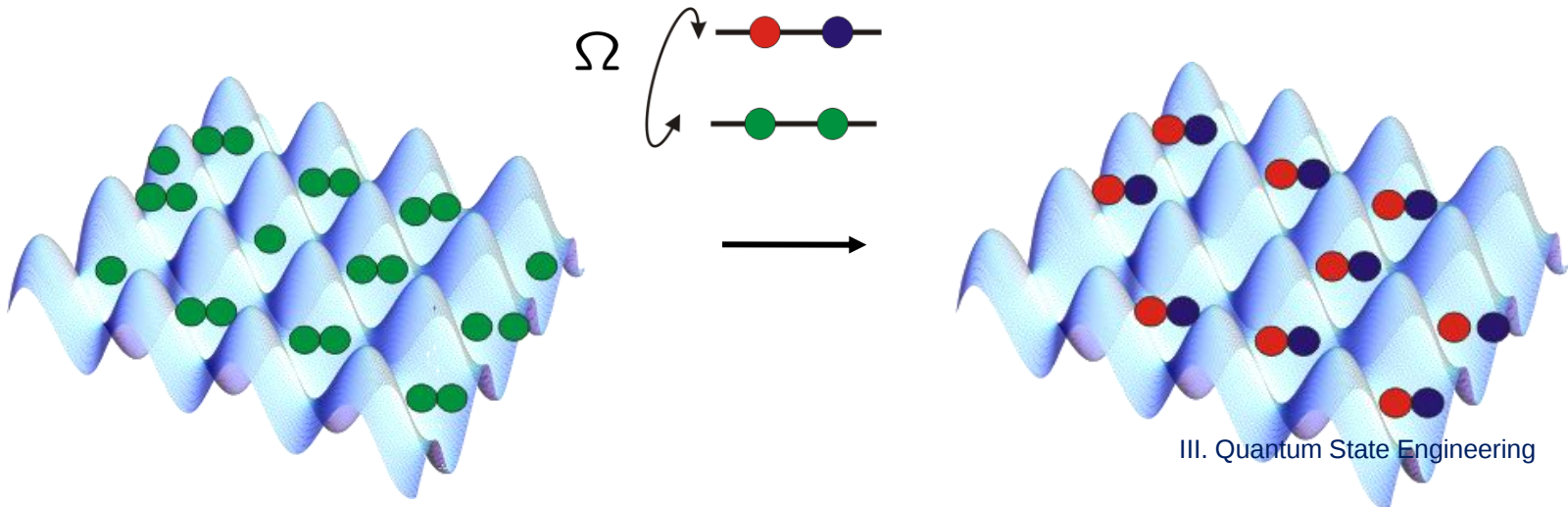
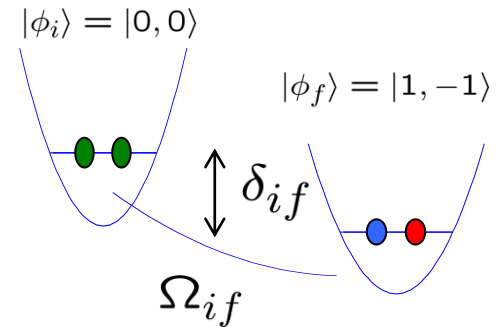
- Components: *hyperfine states* of the atom
- MI regime $\rightarrow$ 2-body physics

Control of the spin interactions in an optical lattice

Rabi oscillations in 2-level system

$$P_{if} = \frac{\Omega_{if}'^2}{2\delta_{if}^2} (1 - \cos(\Omega_{if}' t))$$

$$\Omega_{if} = \sqrt{\Omega_{if}^2 + \delta_{if}^2}$$



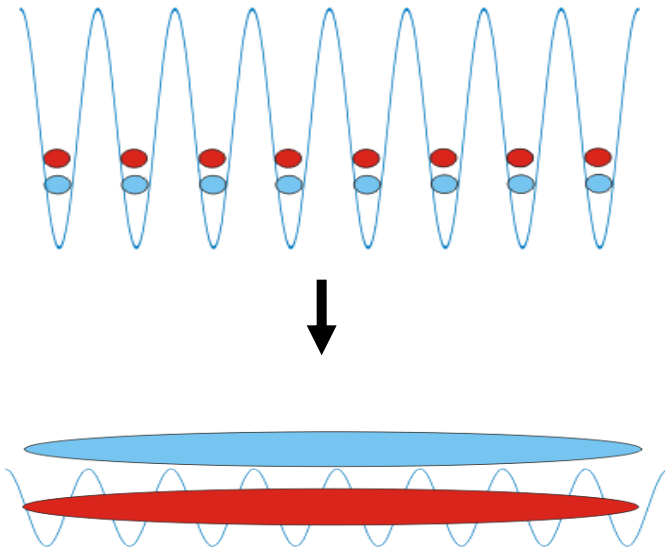
Bose-Hubbard Hamiltonian

$$H = -J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} (a_i^\dagger a_j + b_i^\dagger b_j) + U \sum_i n_i^a n_i^b + \sum_i \frac{V}{2} n_i^a (n_i^a - 1) + \sum_i \frac{V}{2} n_i^b (n_i^b - 1)$$

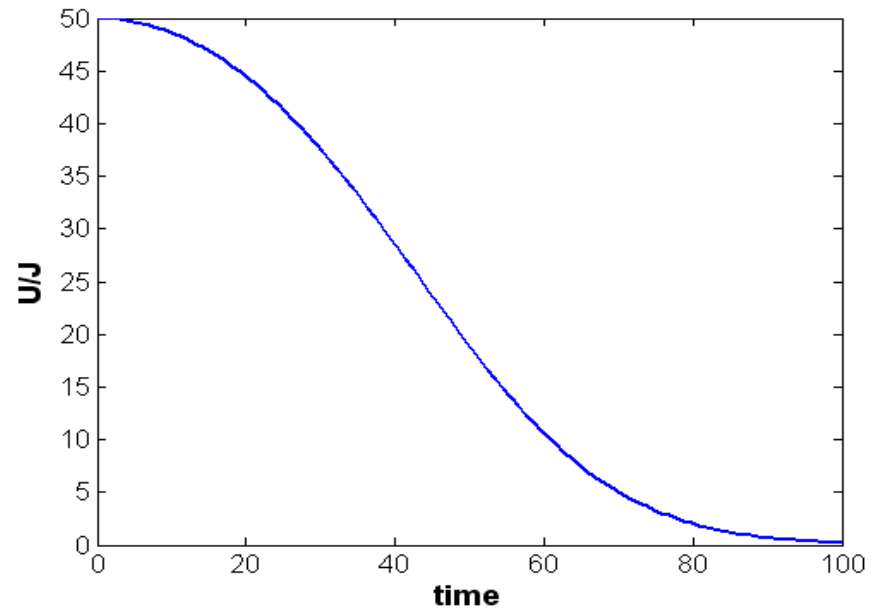
J tunneling rate

V intraspecies on-site interactions

U interspecies interactions

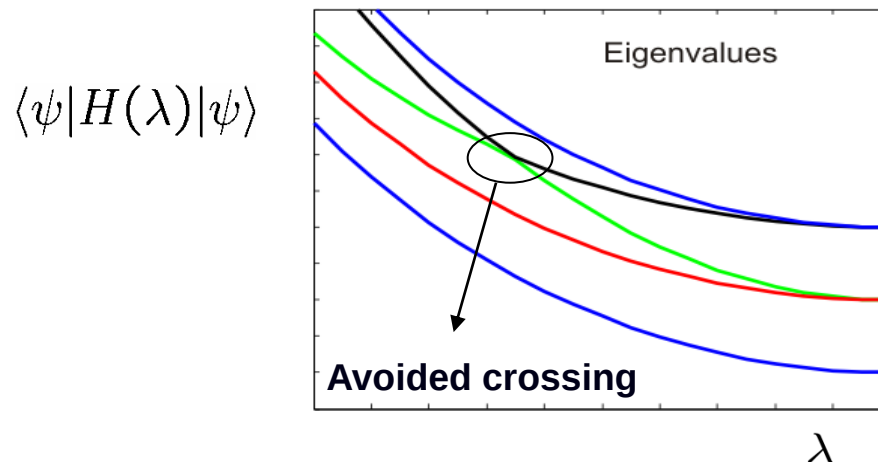


U/V fixed and $V/J \rightarrow 0$

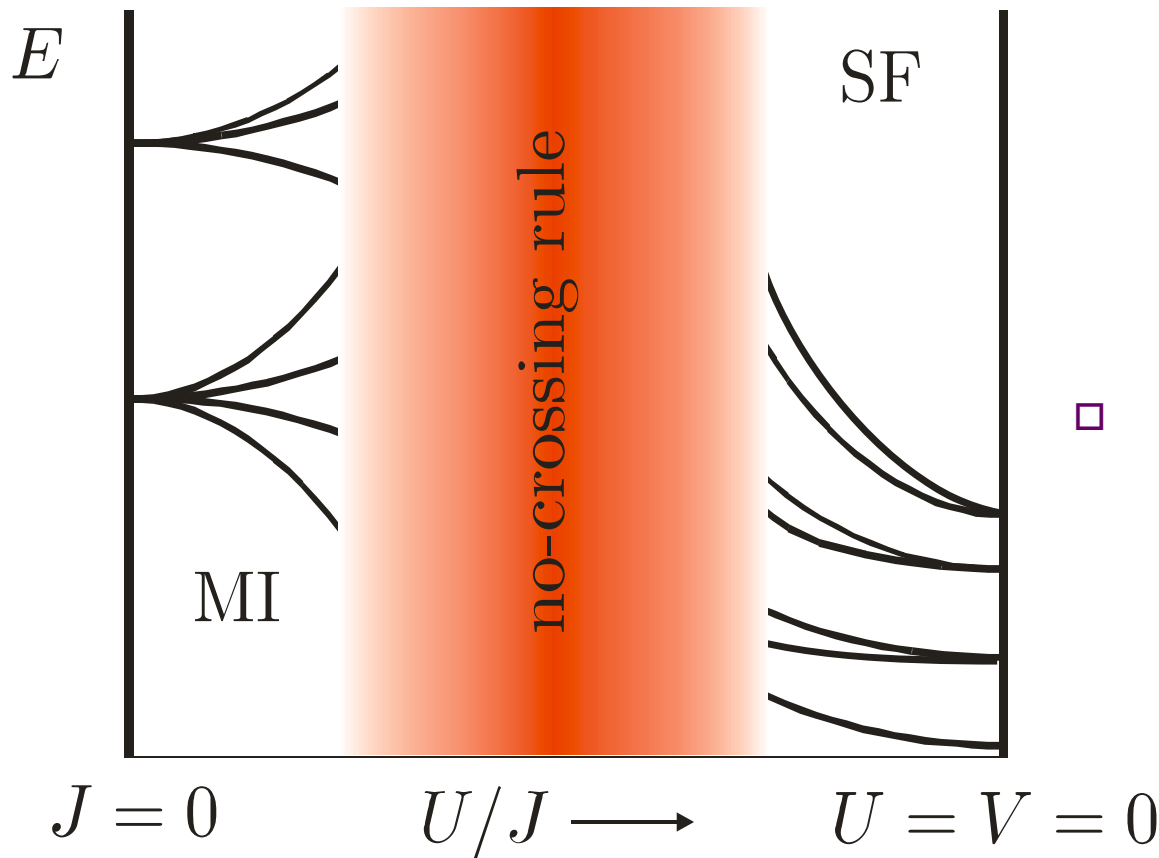


Adiabatic Evolution

- During adiabatic evolution the system follows the instantaneous eigenstates.
- **Non-crossing rule:** If the Hamiltonian depends only on one parameter λ , the energies of the states as a function of λ do not cross for states of the same symmetry.
- The curves approach each other at avoided crossings (Landau-Zener)



Adiabatic evolution



- We map initial superposition states into final superpositions with same coefficients with the dynamical phase

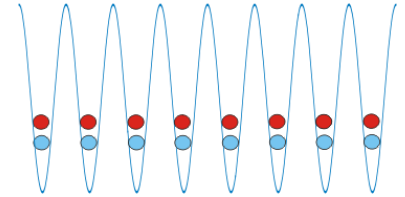
- Adiabatic time scale in a one-component system

$$Jt_r \gg \frac{VN}{JM}$$

It does not scale with N !

Twin-Fock state (I)

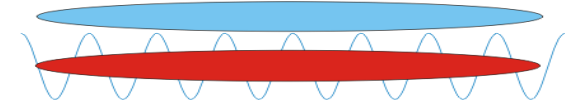
- **MI regime** ($J \rightarrow 0$) $|\Psi_{ab}\rangle = \prod_{i=1}^N |ab\rangle_i$
Non-degenerate ground state if $U < V$



- **SF regime** ($V \rightarrow 0$) $|\Psi_{tf}\rangle = |N/2\rangle_{A_0} |N/2\rangle_{B_0}$

The non-degenerate ground state for each mode is the delocalized symmetric state A_0, B_0

$$A_0^\dagger \sim \sum_i a_i^\dagger \quad B_0^\dagger \sim \sum_i b_i^\dagger$$

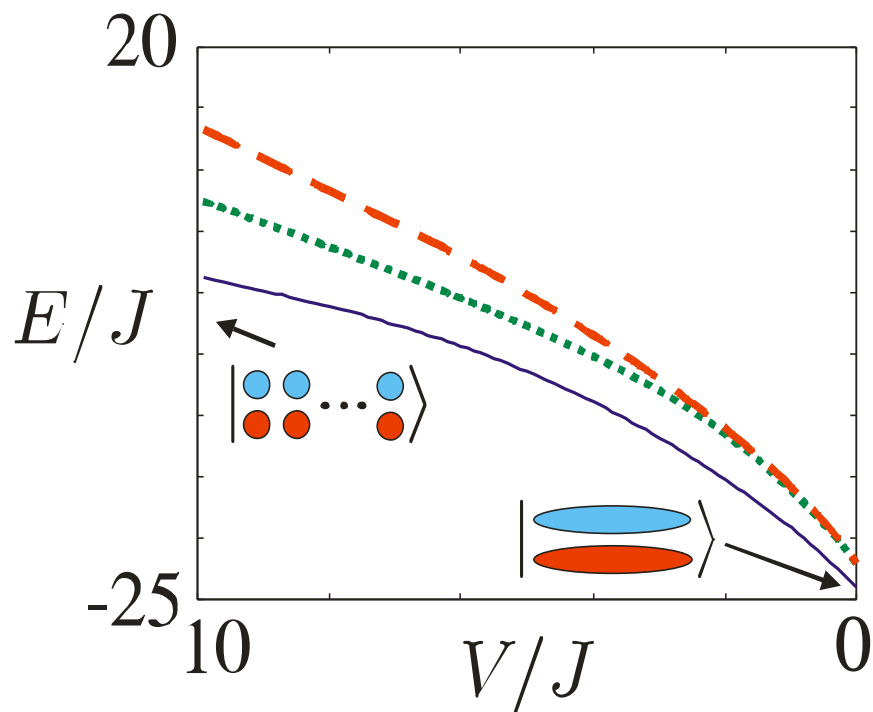


- The two non-degenerate ground states are connected by adiabatic evolution

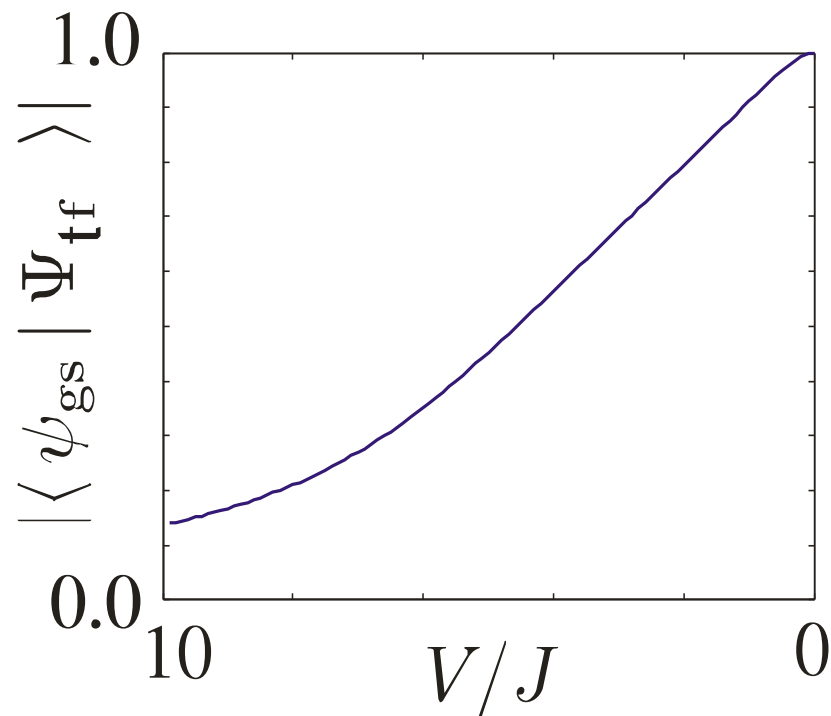
Adiabatic melting $|\Psi_{ab}\rangle$ provides a direct means of obtaining a **twin-Fock state** with zero relative number.

This state useful in atom interferometric experiments!!!

Exact calculation for M=6 sites

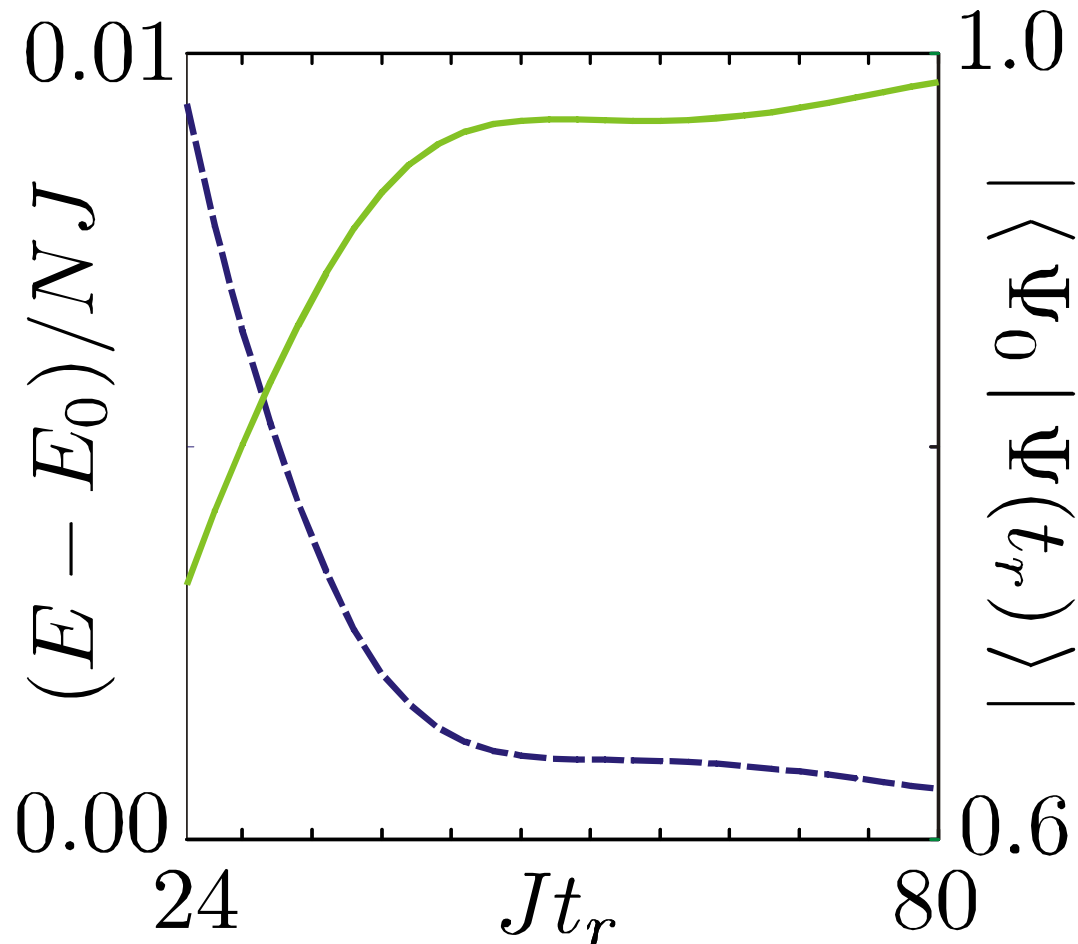


Spectrum of the 2 BHM in the symmetric subspace with $N_a=N_b=6$ and $V/U=0.1$.



Overlap of the instantaneous ground state of the BHM and the twin-Fock state.

TEBD (t-DMRG) calculation

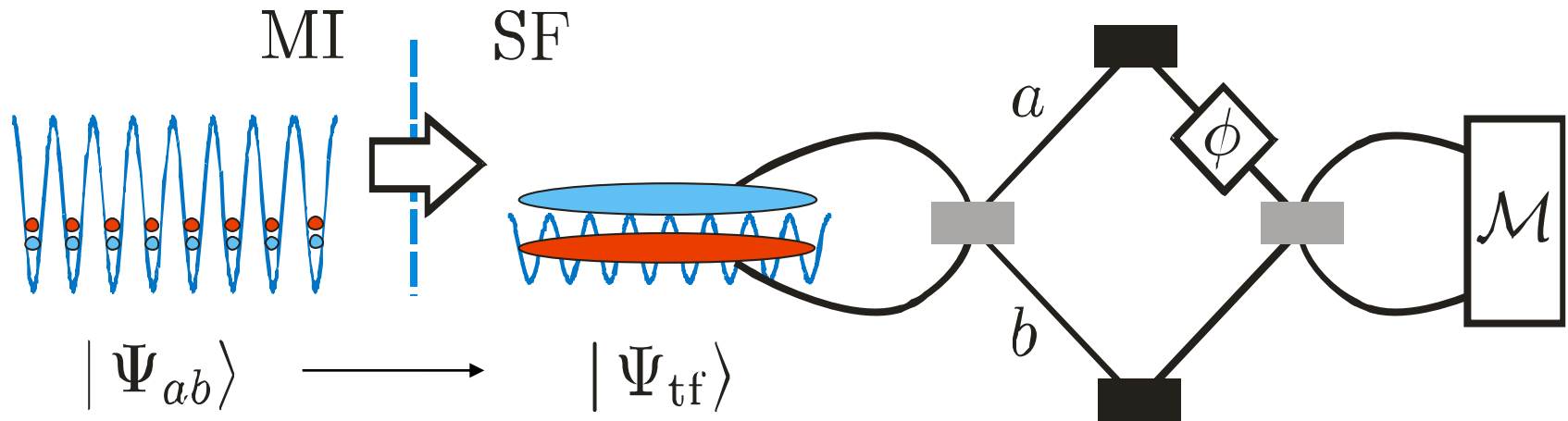


Energy difference per atom and overlap between the ramped state and the final SF ground state for different ramping times t_r . ($V_0/J=20$, $M=25=N_a=N_b$)

Adiabatic ramping time scale

$$J t_r \sim 3 V_0/J$$

Large systems and interferometry



Objective: measure phase differences ϕ with highest sensitivity

Shot noise limit

$$\Delta\phi \sim N^{-1/2}$$

Heisenberg limit

$$\Delta\phi \sim N^{-1}$$

Sensitivity across the Mott insulator transition

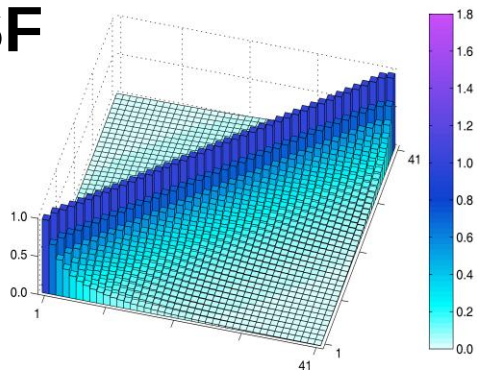
$$\Delta\phi(0) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\langle J_x^2 \rangle}}$$

$$\langle J_x^2 \rangle = [\sum_i (\rho_{ii}^a + \rho_{ii}^b) + \sum_{i,j} (\rho_{ij}^a \rho_{ji}^b + \text{h.c.})]/4$$

$$\rho_{ij}^a = \langle a_i^\dagger a_j \rangle$$

$$\Delta\Phi \sim N^{-\alpha}$$

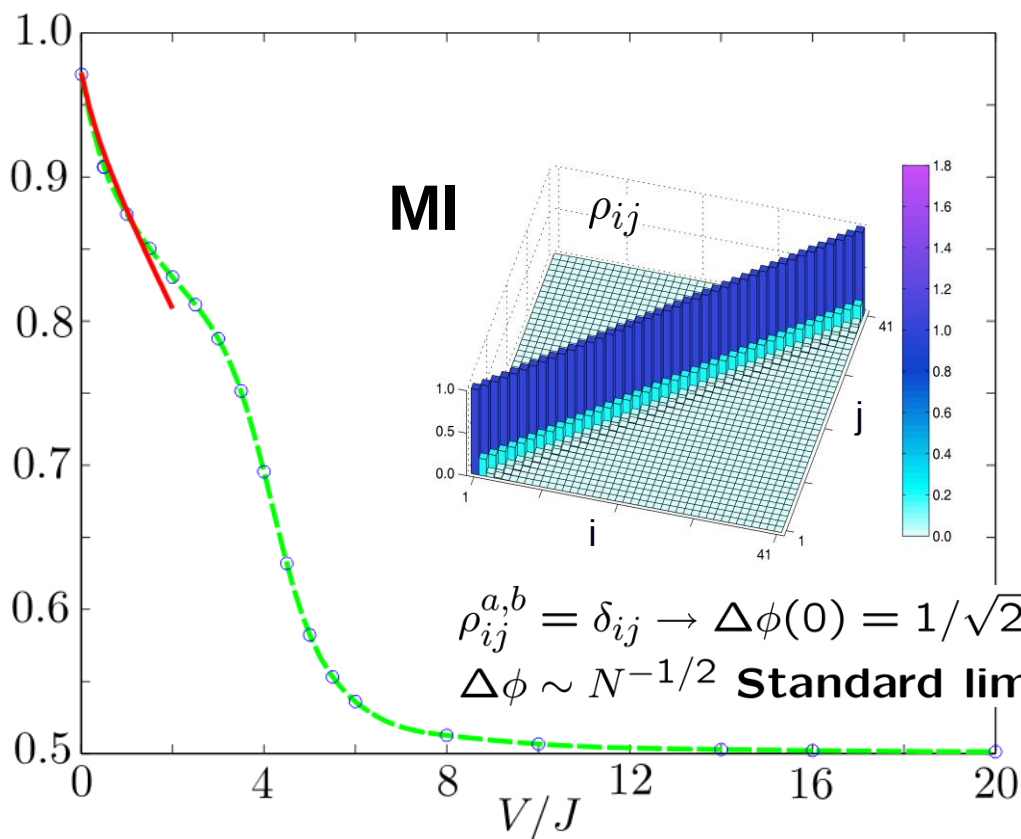
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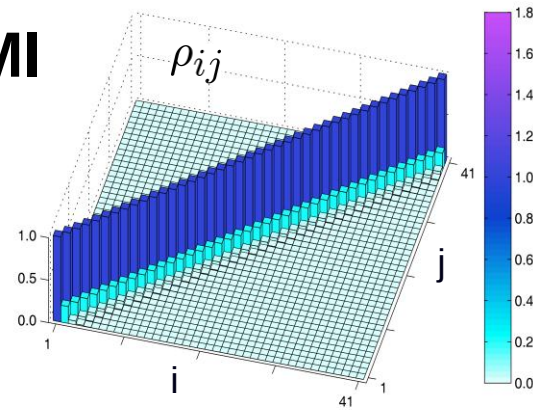
$$\rho_{ij}^{a,b} = 1 \rightarrow \Delta\phi(0) = 1/\sqrt{N^2/2 + N}$$

$$\Delta\phi \sim N^{-1} \text{ Heisenberg limit}$$

α



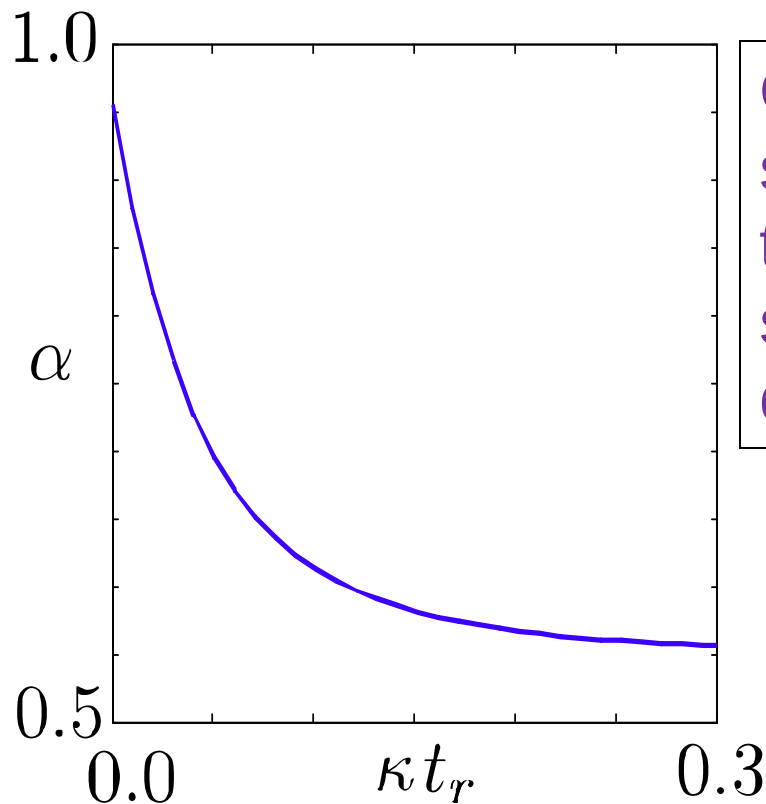
MI



$$\rho_{ij}^{a,b} = \delta_{ij} \rightarrow \Delta\phi(0) = 1/\sqrt{2N}$$

$$\Delta\phi \sim N^{-1/2} \text{ Standard limit}$$

Particle loss at a rate κ



One can obtain Heisenberg limited sensitivity using as input states the twin-Fock states resulting from a slow melting of MI states with two different atoms per lattice site.

M. Rodriguez, S R Clark, D. Jaksch, PRA (R) 75 011601 (2007).

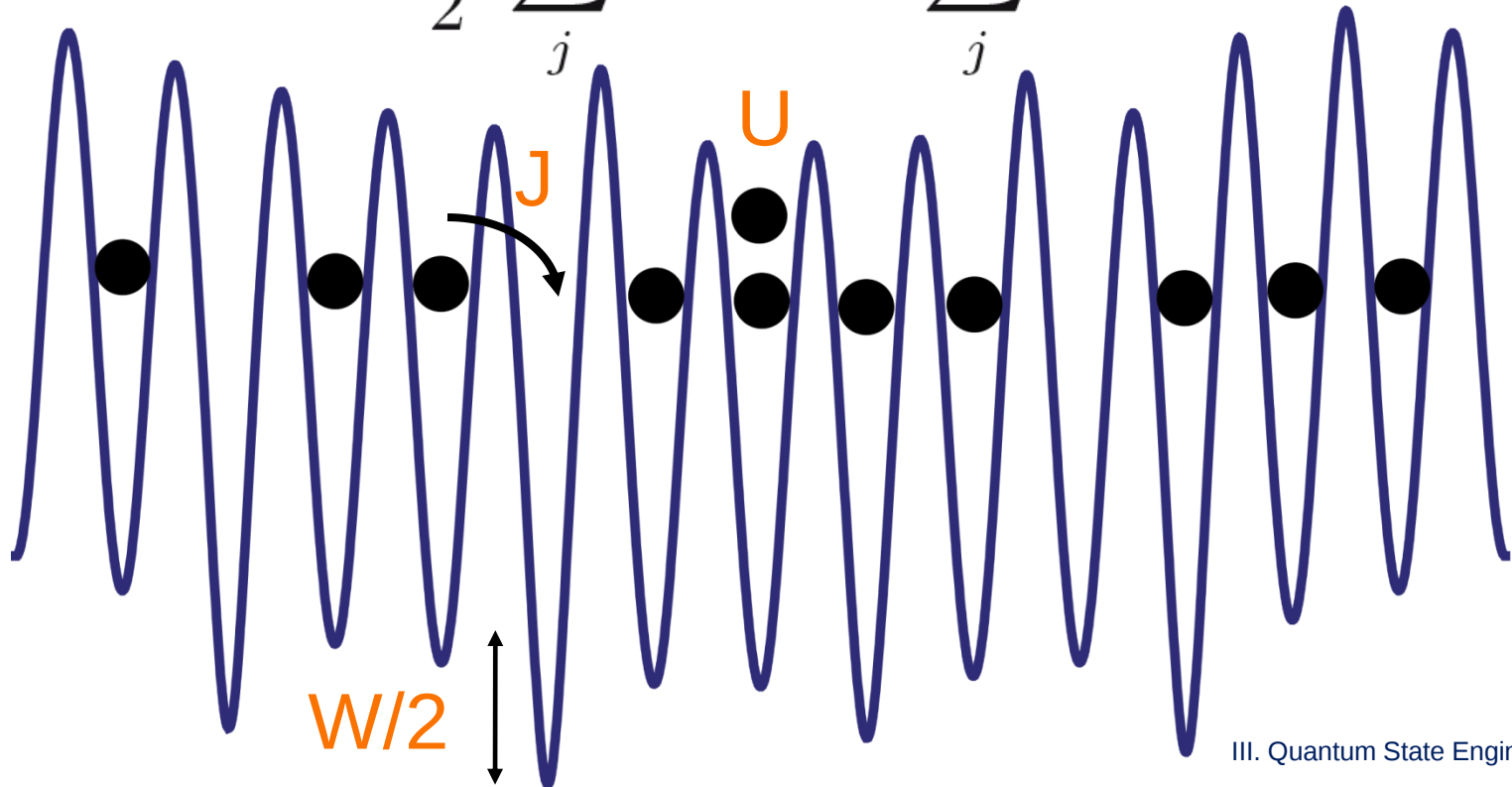
$\kappa \ll J^2/30V_0 \rightarrow$ Heisenberg-limited sensitivity

III.II

Disordered bosons in a fast oscillatory potential

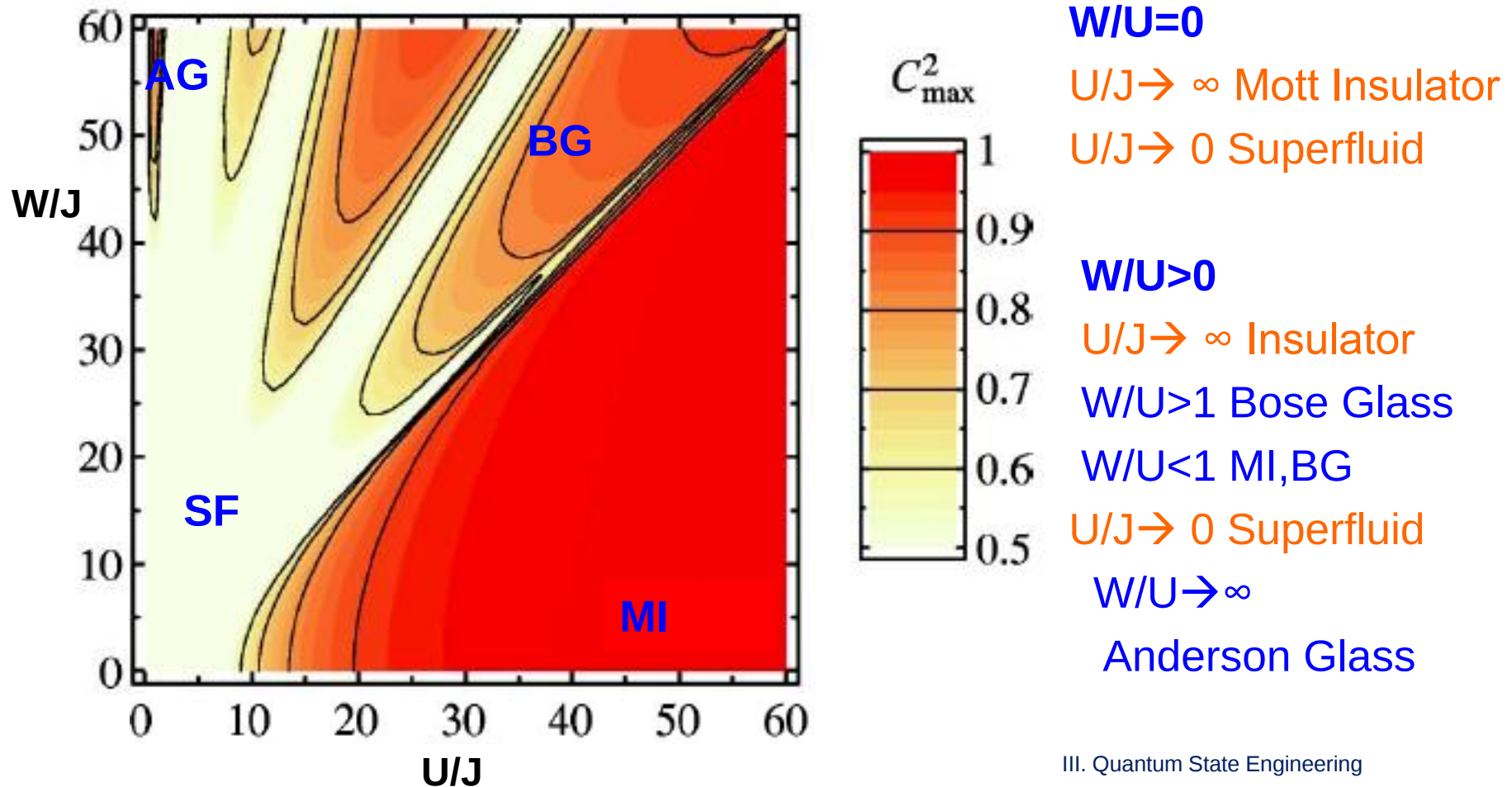
I. Disordered Bose-Hubbard Model

$$H_0 = -J \sum_j \left(a_j^\dagger a_{j+1} + a_{j+1}^\dagger a_j \right) + \frac{U}{2} \sum_j n_j (n_j - 1) \\ + \frac{W}{2} \sum_j \epsilon_j n_j + C \sum_j j^2 n_j$$



I. Disordered-Bose-Hubbard Model

R. Roth and K. Burnett, Phys. Rev. A 68, 023604 (2003)



II. Driven DBH model

$$H(t) = H_0 + V(t) \quad V(t) = V \cos(\omega t + \delta) \sum_j j n_j$$

- Time-dependent periodic Hamiltonian $T=2\pi/\omega$

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} | \Psi(t) \rangle = H(t) | \Psi(t) \rangle$$

- Floquet theory

$$H^F \equiv H(t) - i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \quad H^F(t) | \phi^e(t) \rangle = e | \phi^e(t) \rangle$$

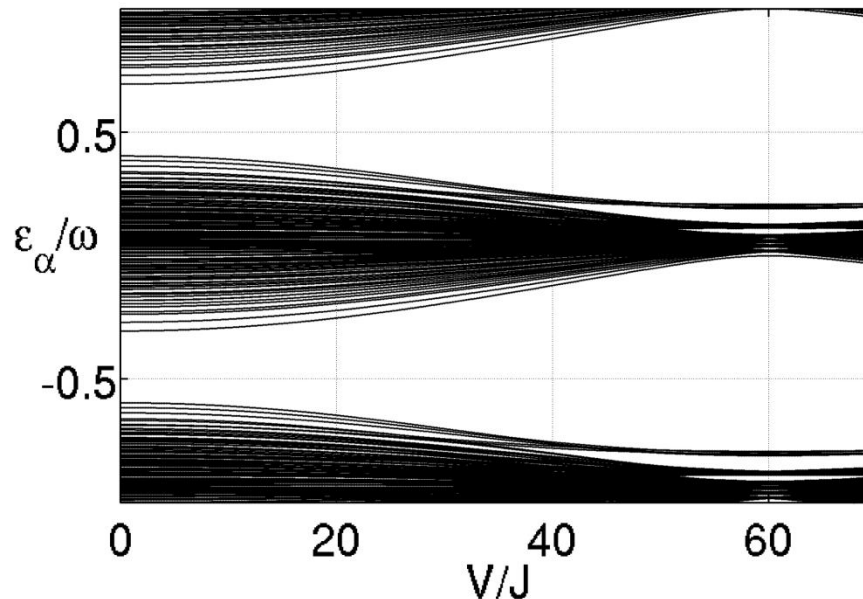
$$| \phi^e(t) \rangle = | \phi^e(t + T) \rangle$$

II. Floquet theory

- We solve the Schrödinger eq. using the cyclic eigenstates of H_F

$$|\Psi(t)\rangle = U(t, t_0; V) |\Psi(t_0)\rangle \quad |\Psi^e(t)\rangle = e^{-iet} |\phi^e(t)\rangle$$

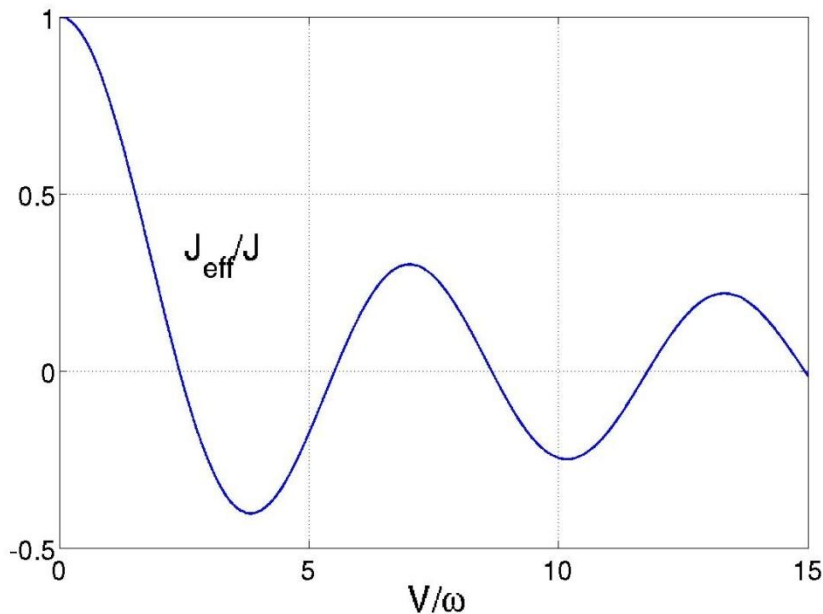
$$U(t, t_0; V) = \sum_{\alpha} |\Psi^{\varepsilon_{\alpha}}(t)\rangle \langle \Psi^{\varepsilon_{\alpha}}(t_0)| \quad \varepsilon_{\alpha} \equiv e_{\alpha} \in \left(-\frac{1}{2}\omega, \frac{1}{2}\omega\right]$$



III. Fast oscillatory regime: dynamical suppression of tunneling

$$H_{\text{eff}} = -J_{\text{eff}} \sum_j \left(a_j^\dagger a_{j+1} + a_{j+1}^\dagger a_j \right) + \frac{U}{2} \sum_j n_j (n_j - 1)$$

$$J_{\text{eff}} = J e^{\pm i V / \omega \sin \delta} \mathcal{J}_0(V / \omega)$$



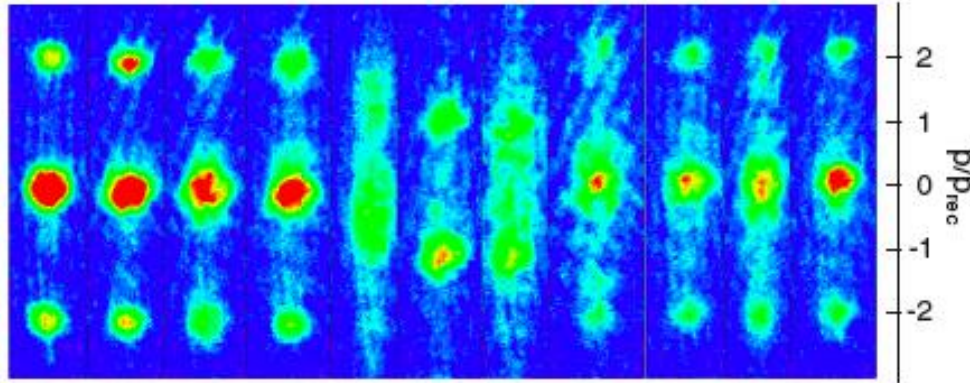
Single particle: Dunlap and Krenke, PRB 34, 3625 (1986).

Many-body :

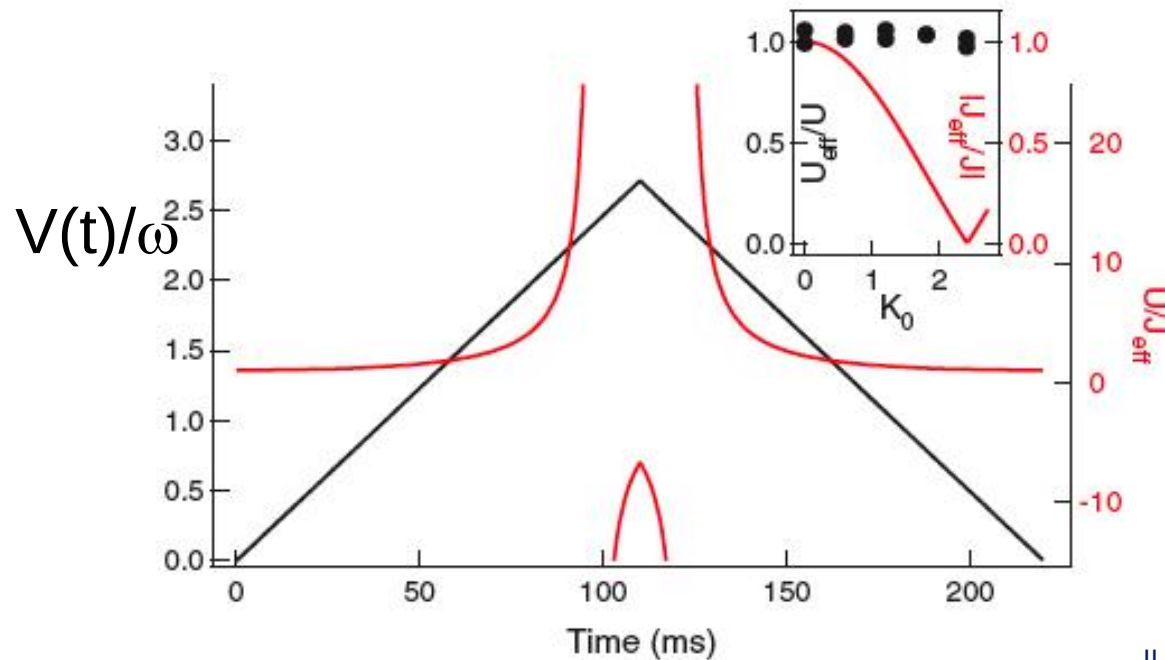
A. Eckardt, C. Weiss and M. Holthaus
PRL 95, 260404 (2005)

Driven Mott-Insulator transition:
one can tune the value of J_{eff}/U
to zero driving a fast
oscillatory force from 0 to $V/\omega \sim 2.4$

III. Driven SF-MI transition: experimental realization

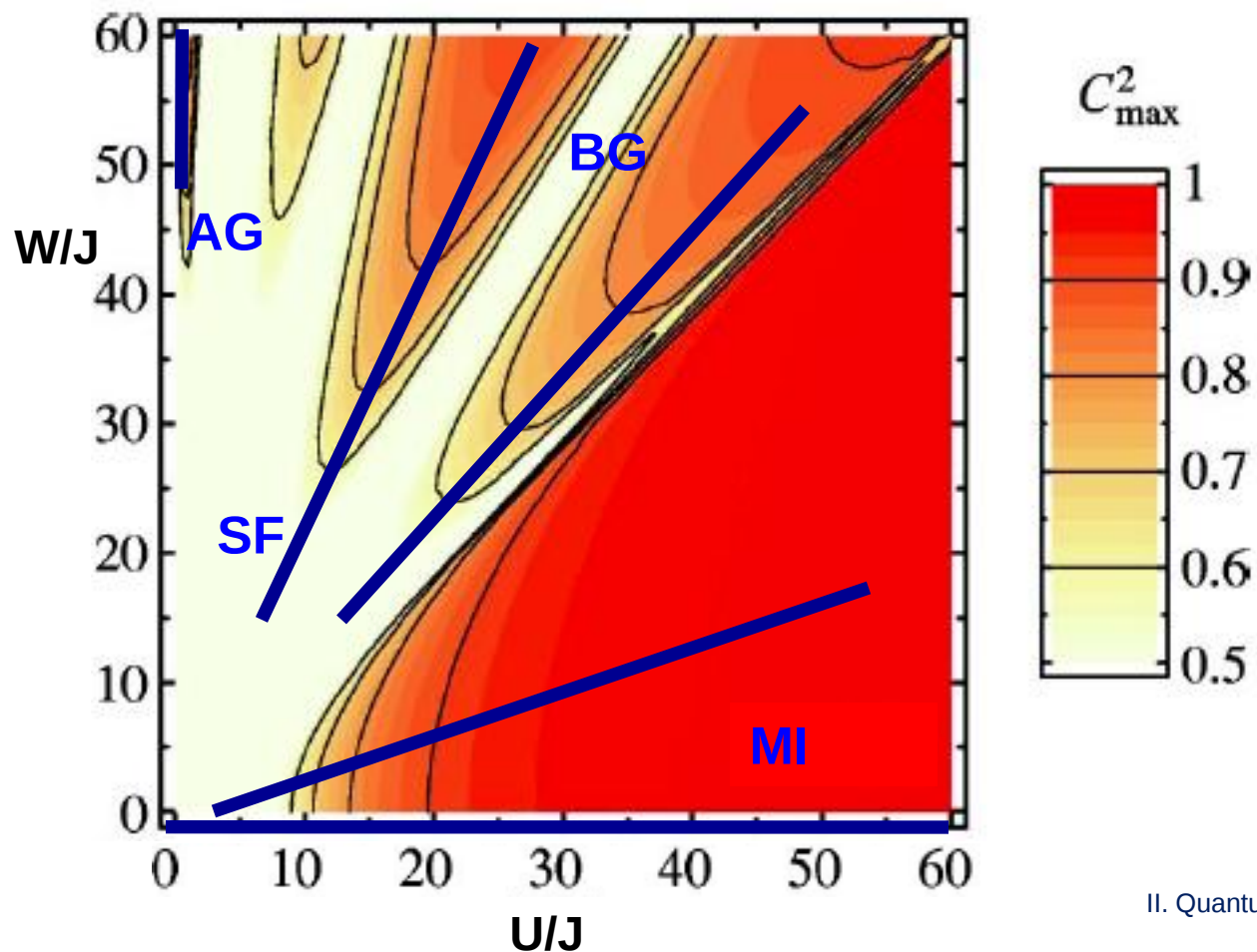


Arimondo's group
PRL 102, 100403 (2009)

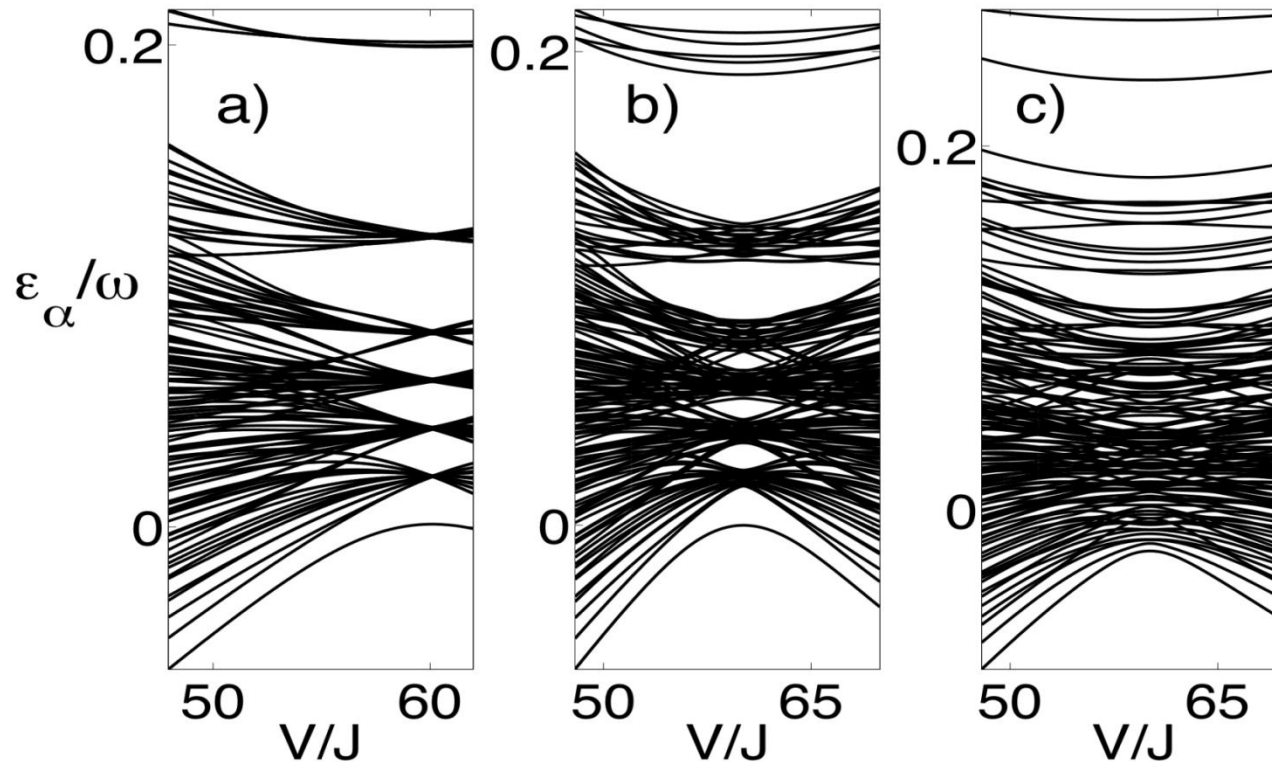


III. Fast oscillatory force

Ramping U/J_{eff} and W/J_{eff}



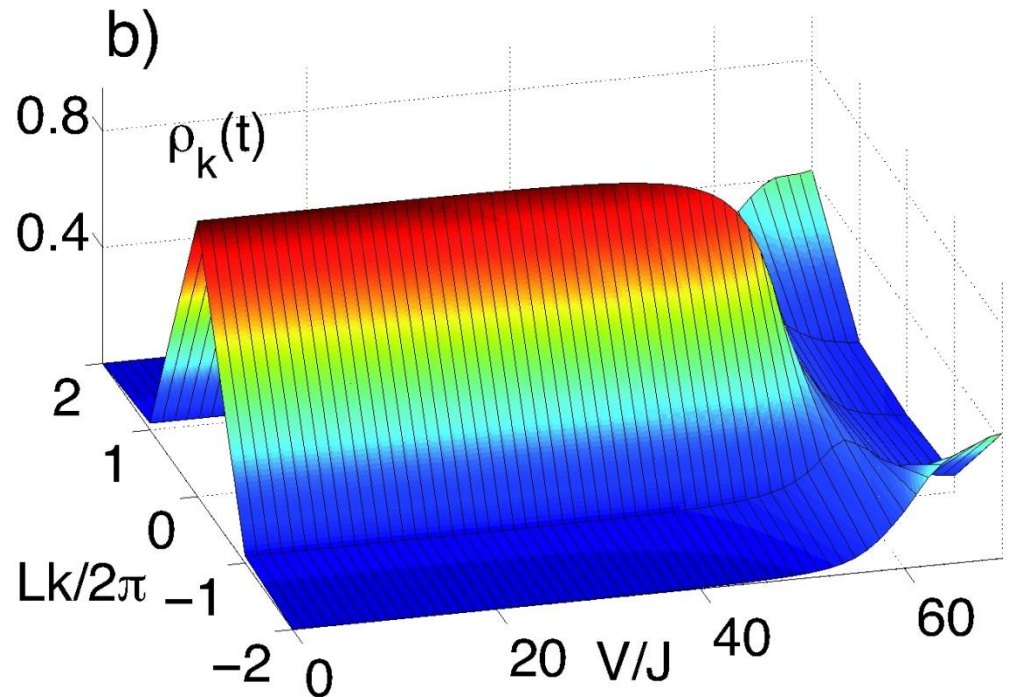
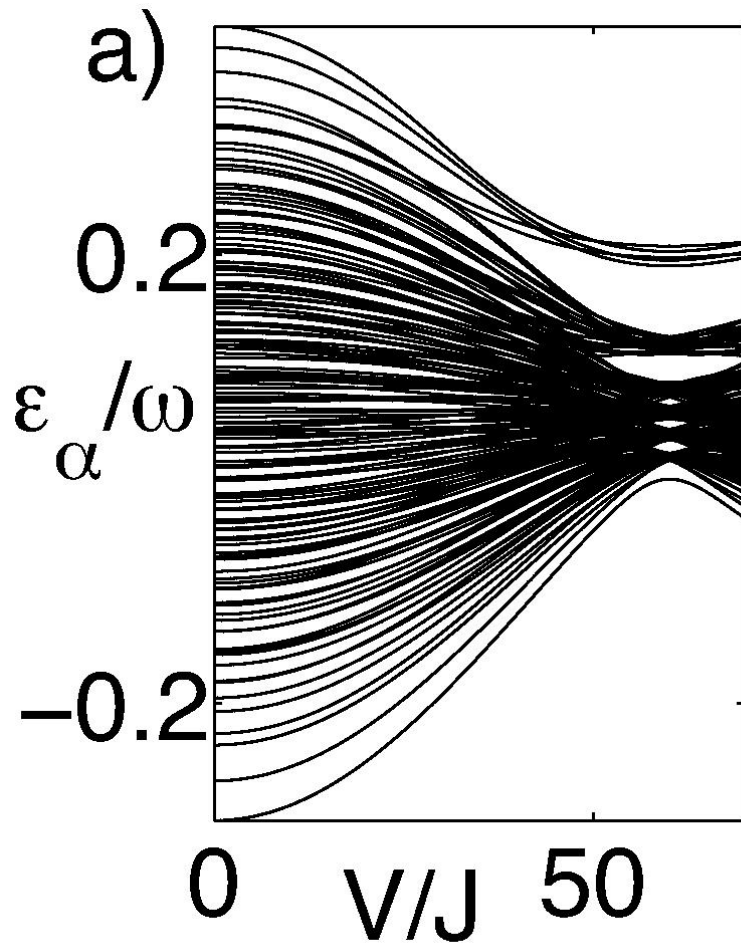
IV. Effect of disorder in quasienergy levels



Quasienergy levels of the Floquet Hamiltonian as a function of the strength of the fast oscillatory force V for $N=L=5$, $U/J=0.5$ and $\omega/J=25$

a) $W/J=0$ b) $W/J=0.1$ and c) $W/J=1$

IV. Weak disorder: SF-MI transition



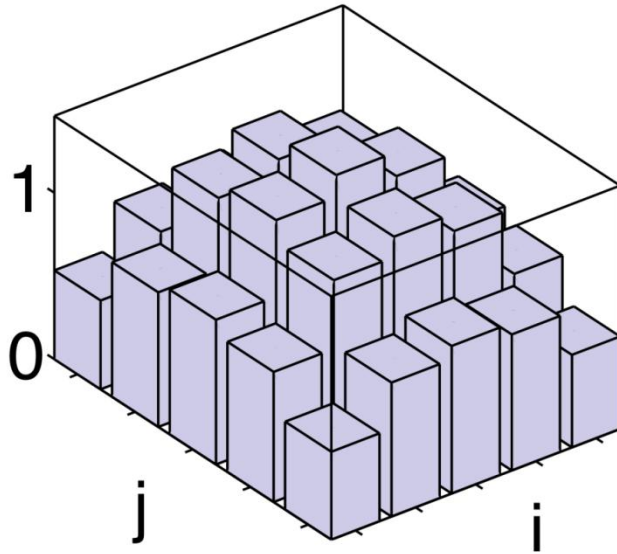
$$\rho_k = \sum_{i,j} e^{-ik(i-j)} \langle \Psi | a_i^\dagger a_j | \Psi \rangle$$

$t_{\text{ramp}} J \sim 200$

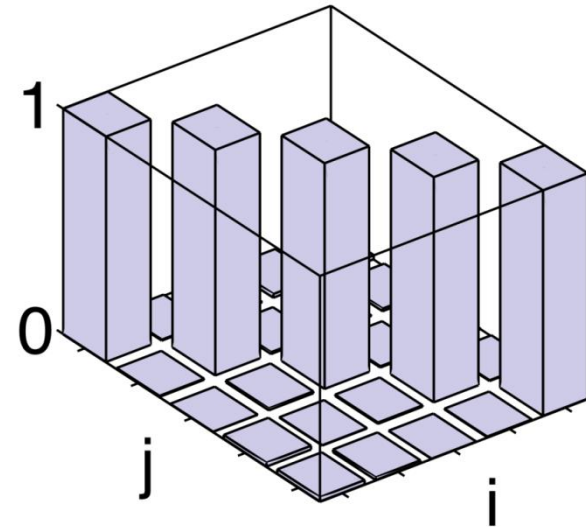
$N=L=5 \quad \omega/J=25 \quad W/J=0.1 \quad U/J=0.5$

IV. Weak disorder: SF-MI transition

a) $W/U=0.2$ $t=0$



b) $W/U=0.2$ $t=t_{\text{ramp}}$



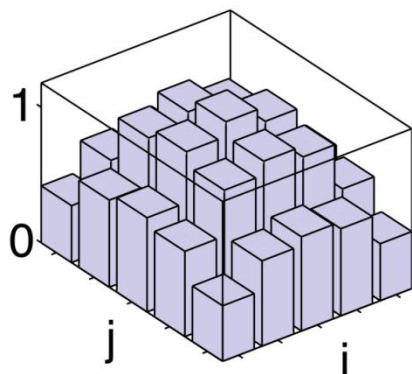
SF

$$\rho_{ij} = \langle \Psi | a_i^\dagger a_j | \Psi \rangle$$

MI

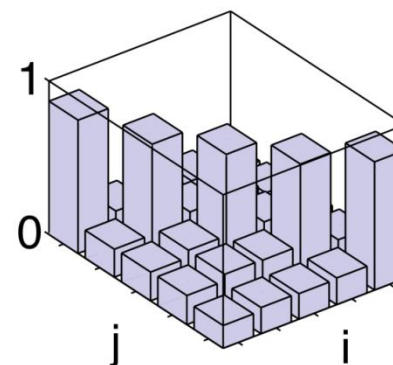
IV. Weak disorder helps to localise for noncommensurate fillings

a) $W/J=0$ $J_{\text{eff}}=J$



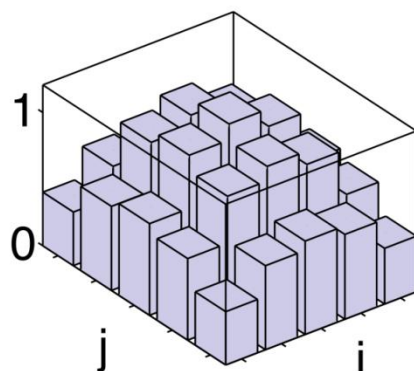
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b) $W/J=0$ $J_{\text{eff}}=0$



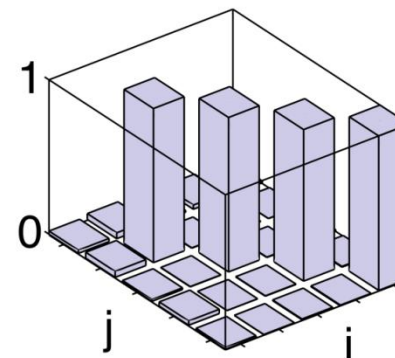
MI

c) $W/J=0.1$ $J_{\text{eff}}=J$



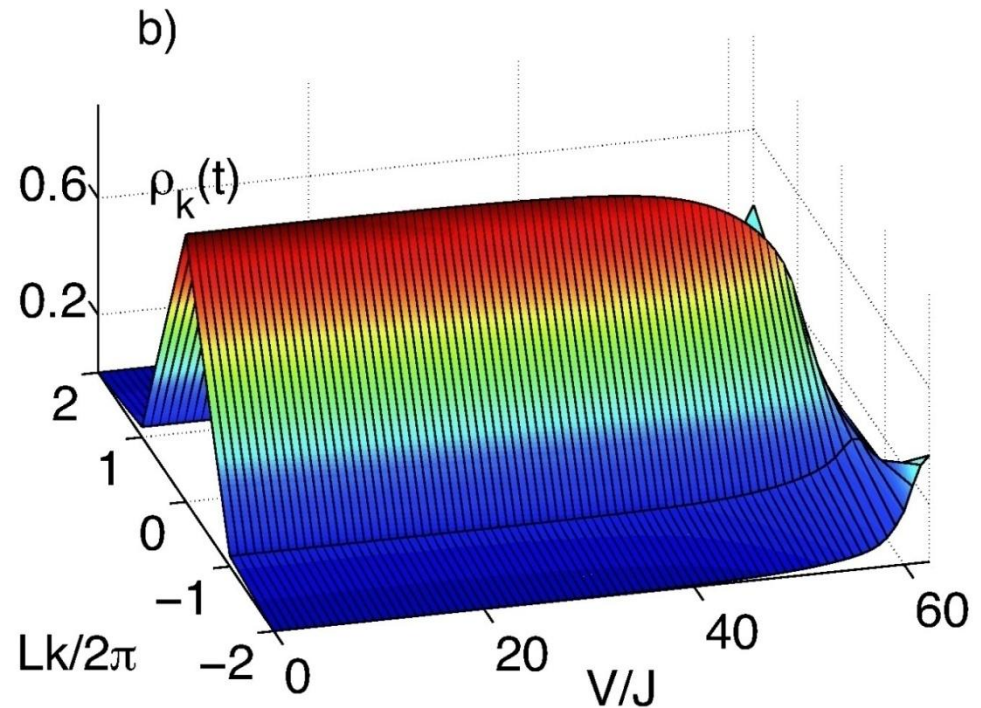
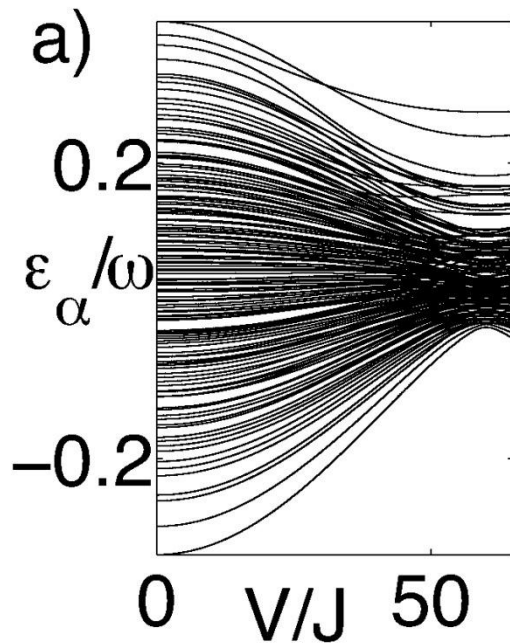
SF

d) $W/J=0.1$ $J_{\text{eff}}=0$



BG

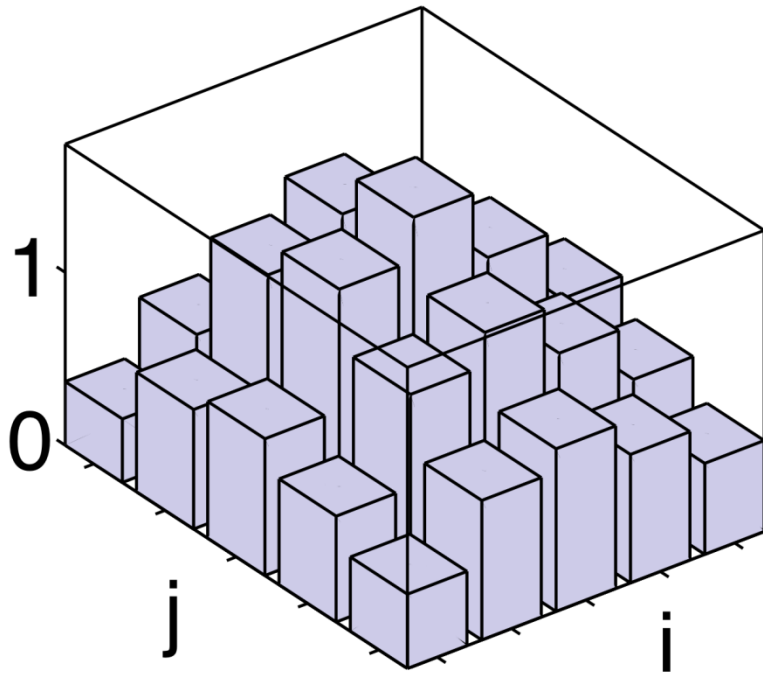
IV. Intermediate disorder: SF-BG



$t_{\text{ramp}} J \sim 1500$
 $N=L=5$ $\omega/J=25$ $W/J=1$ $U/J=0.5$

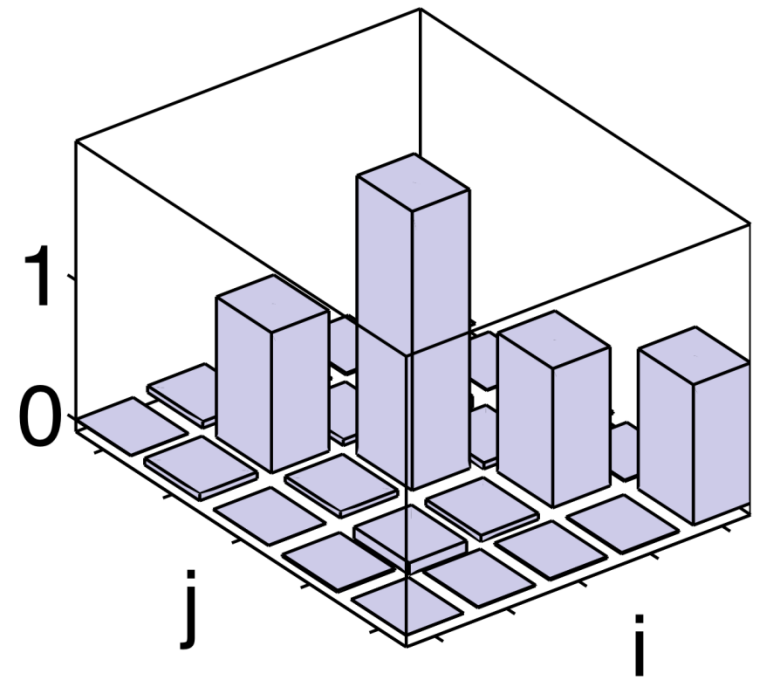
IV. Intermediate disorder: SF-BG transition

c) $W/U=2$ $t=0$



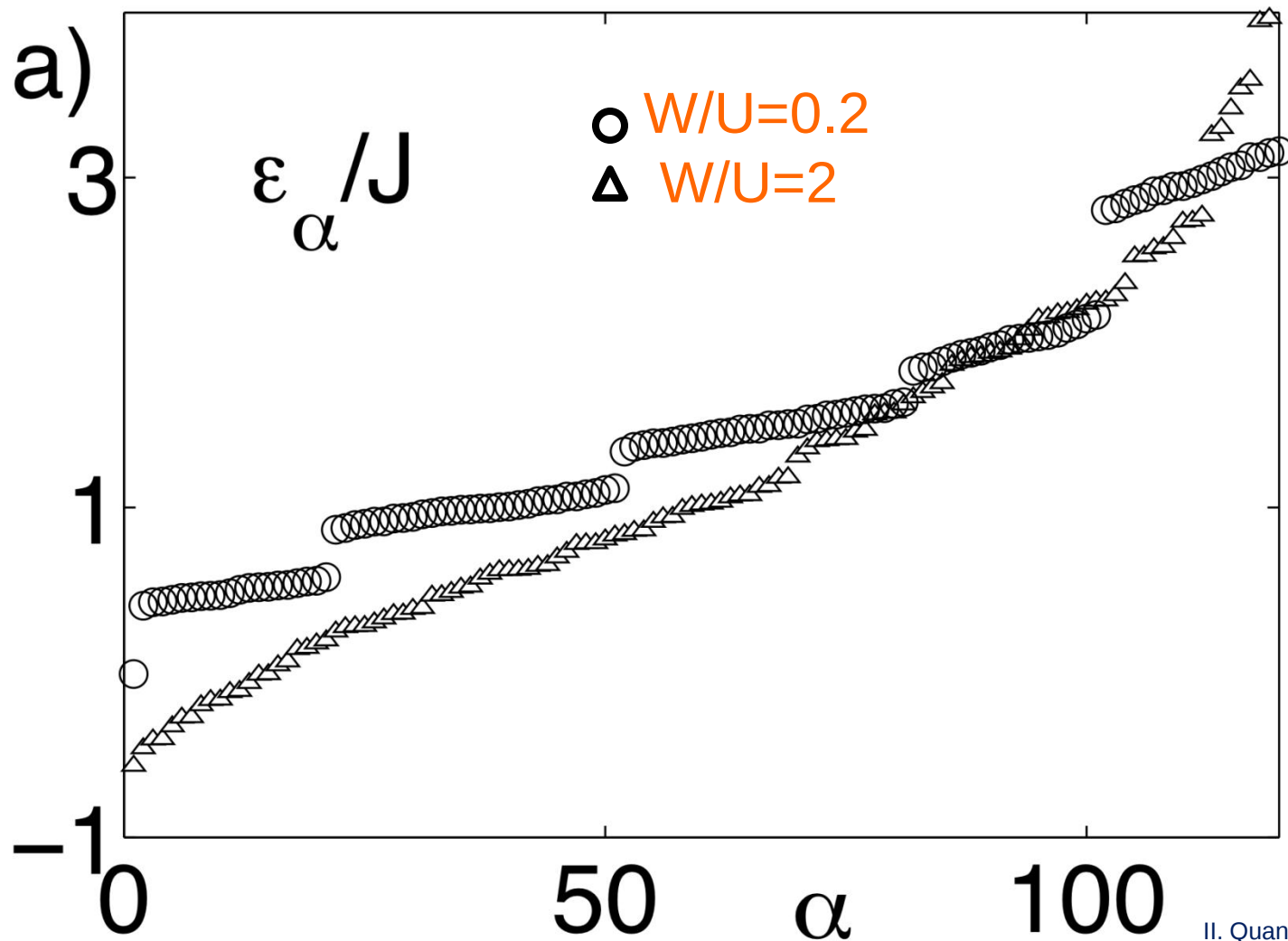
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d) $W/U=2$ $t=t_{\text{ramp}}$

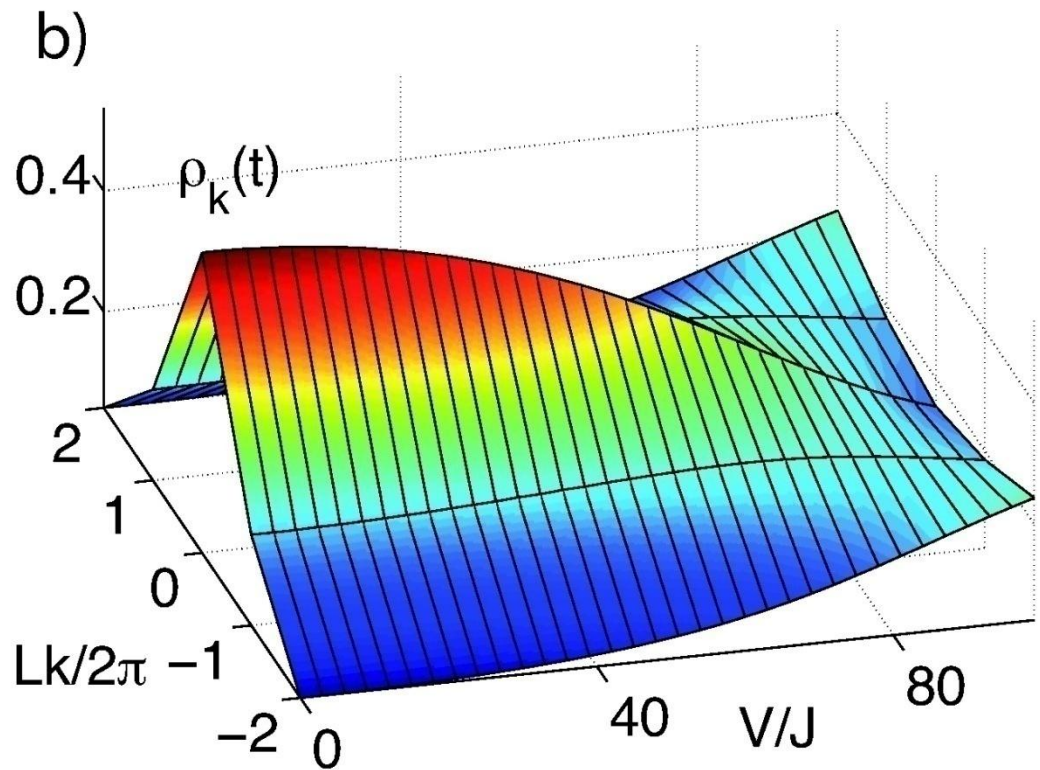
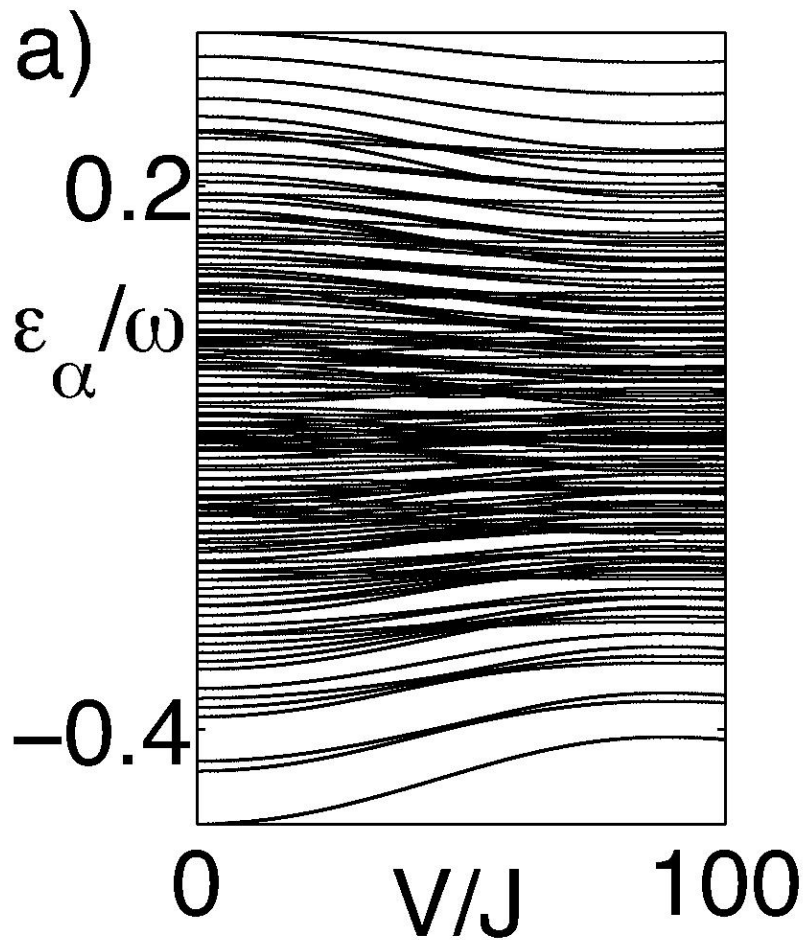


BG

IV Spectra of the final states after ramping



IV Strong disorder: AG-BG

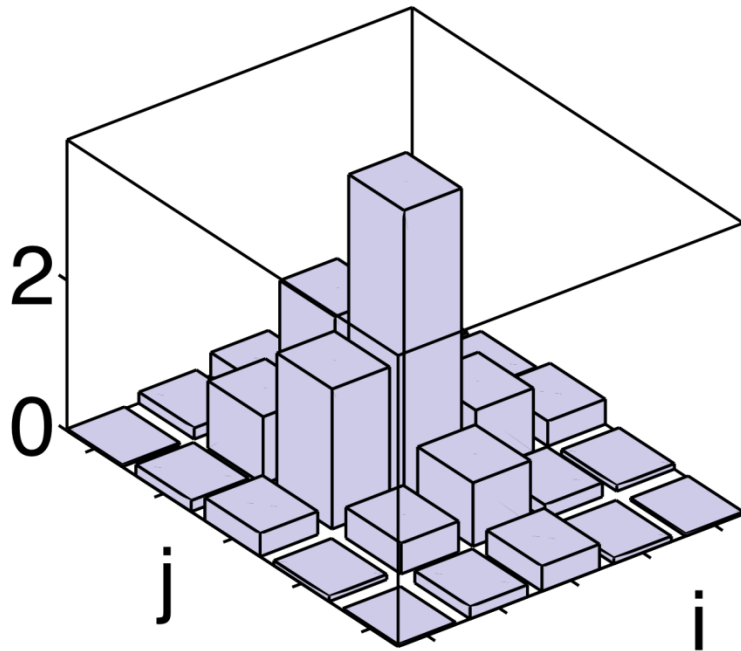


$t_{\text{ramp}}J \sim 50$

$N=L=5$ $\omega/J=25$ $W/J=7$ $U/J=0.05$

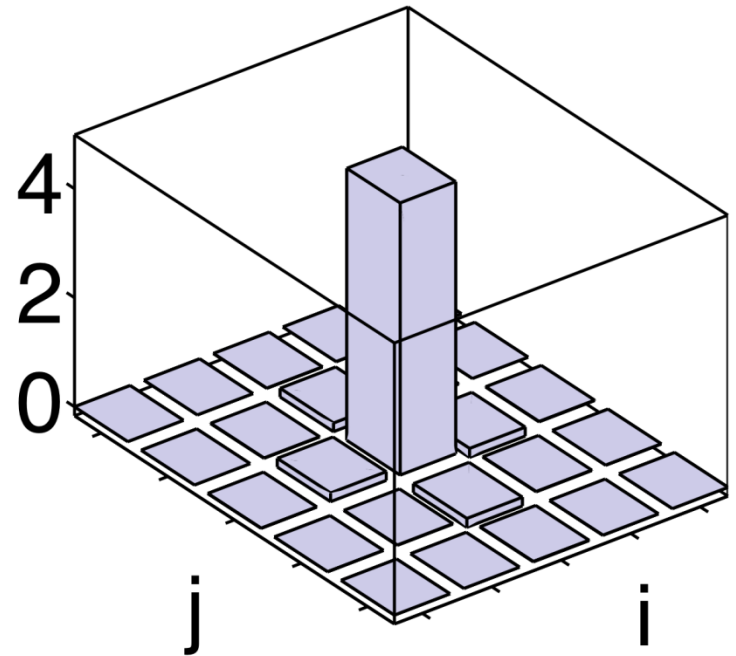
IV Strong disorder

e) $W/U=140$ $t=0$



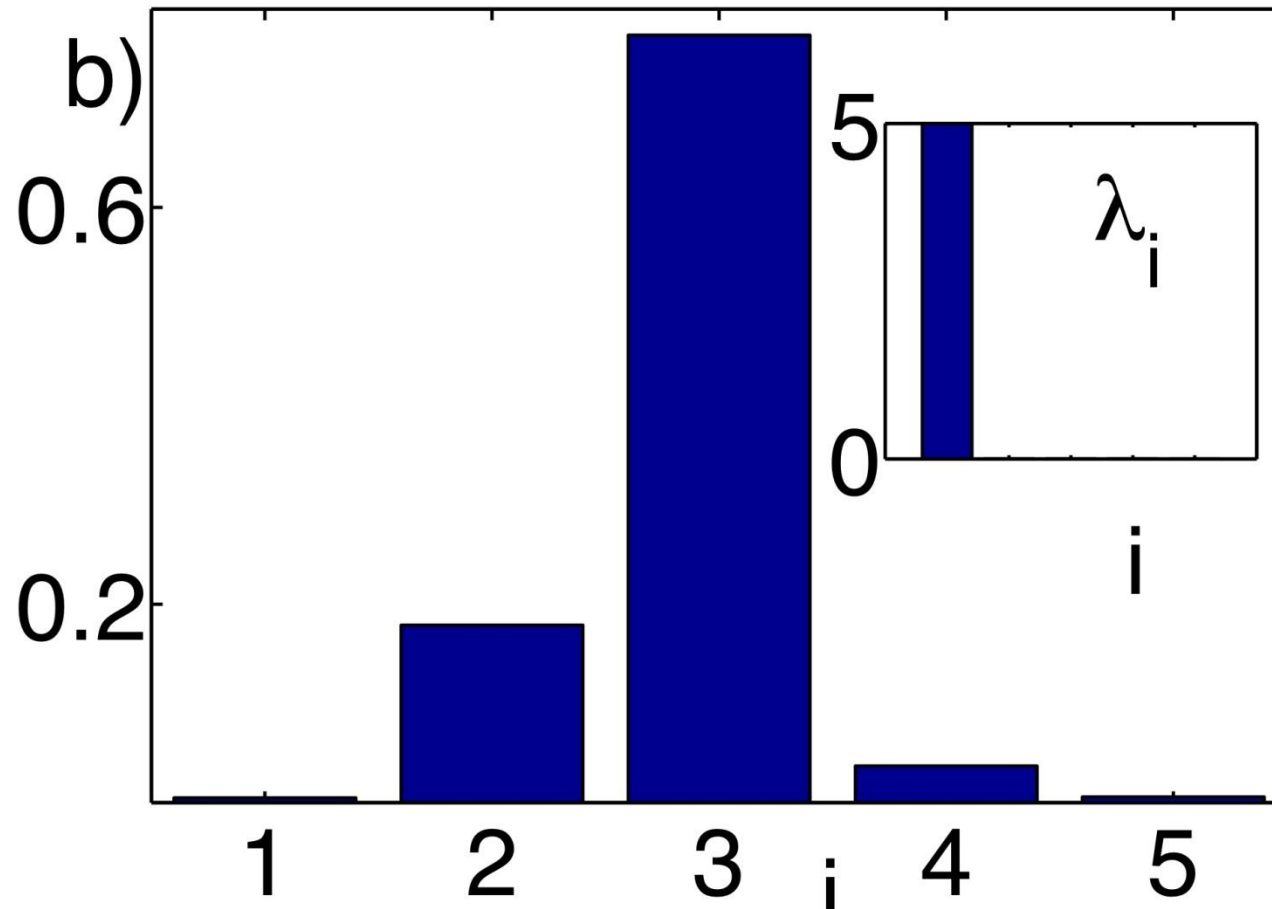
AG

f) $W/U=140$ $t=t_{\text{ramp}}$



BG

IV Initial state for strong disorder: Anderson Glass



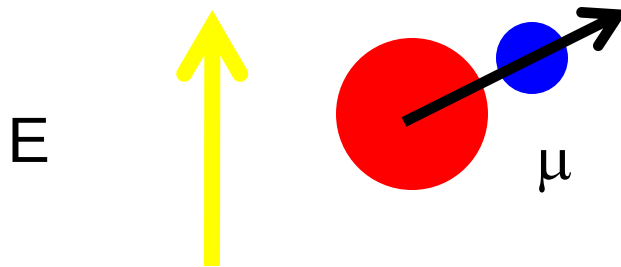
III.II Disordered bosons in a fast oscillatory potential

- A fast oscillatory force results in an effective tunneling
- One can drive adiabatic **dynamical** transitions across the phase diagram in experimentally relevant times

J.Santos, R. Molina, J.Ortigoso, M. Rodríguez, PRA 80,063602 (2009)

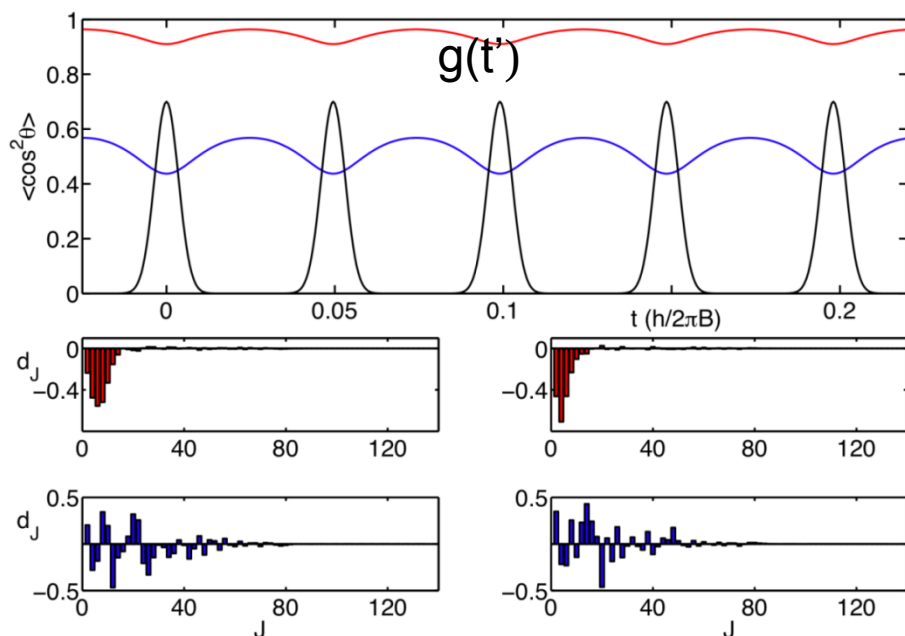
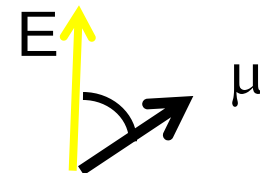
III.III

Orientation and alignment of molecules



Alignment of molecules with a train of ultrafast laser pulses

Floquet Hamiltonian $K(t') = -i\frac{\hbar}{B}\frac{\partial}{\partial t'} + \mathbf{J}^2 - (\Delta\omega \cos^2\theta + \omega_{\perp})g(t')$



- Choosing the shape of the pulse train, one obtains rotational wave-packets with different orientation.
- Orientation defines the effective dipole moment of the molecule and thus the long-range dipole-dipole interactions between them.
- → different Hubbard Hamiltonians

$$|\tilde{\Psi}(t)\rangle = \exp[-i\tilde{\varepsilon}(t - t_0)] \sum_{J=0}^{J_{\max}} d_J(t)|J\rangle$$

J.Ortigoso, M. Rodriguez, JSantos, A. Karpati, V. Szalay Journal of Chemical Physics (2010)

IV.

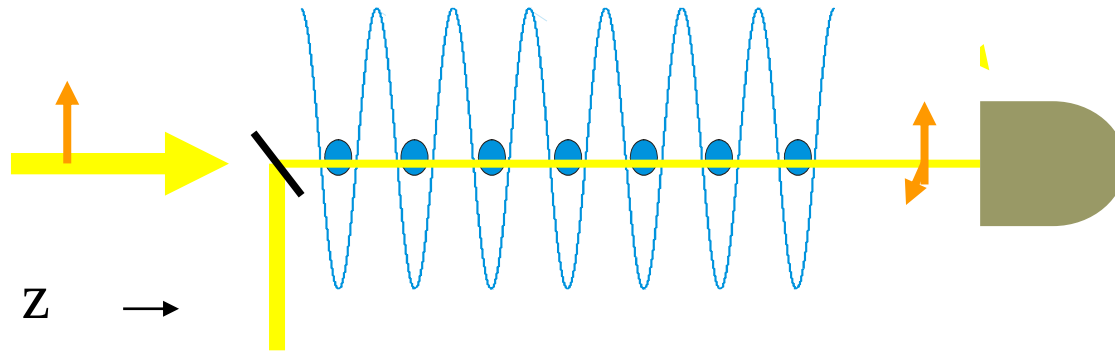
Detection of strongly correlated states

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- I. Quantum Spin Polarization Spectroscopy
 - II. Atom counting

IV.I

Quantum spin polarization spectroscopy

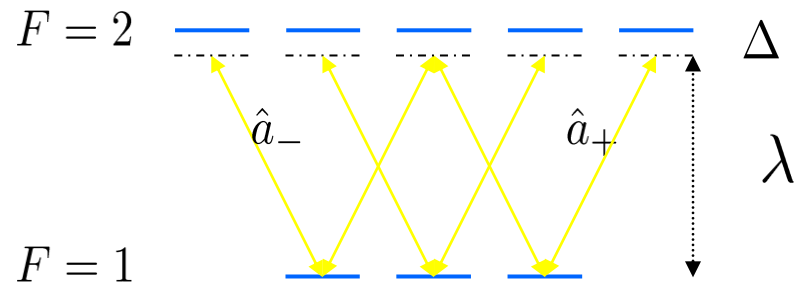
Atom-light interfaces



$$\hat{s}_z = \frac{1}{2} (\hat{a}_+^\dagger \hat{a}_+ - \hat{a}_-^\dagger \hat{a}_-)$$

$$\hat{s}_x = \frac{1}{2} (\hat{a}_+^\dagger \hat{a}_- - \hat{a}_-^\dagger \hat{a}_+)$$

$$\hat{s}_y = \frac{1}{2i} (\hat{a}_+^\dagger \hat{a}_- - \hat{a}_-^\dagger \hat{a}_+)$$



$$\hat{H}_{eff} = - \int d\mathbf{r} a_0 \hat{\mathbf{1}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{I}} + a_1 \hat{s}_z \cdot \hat{\mathbf{I}} + a_2 [\hat{\mathbf{1}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{I}}^2 - \hat{s}_- \hat{J}_+^2 - \hat{s}_+ \hat{J}_-^2]$$

$$\hat{H}_{eff} \sim -\kappa \int d\mathbf{r} \hat{s}_z \hat{J}_z(\mathbf{r})$$

$\kappa = \frac{a_2}{a_0} \approx \frac{h}{10\pi A \Delta}$

Propagation of light macroscopically polarized in the x-direction: Polarization rotation

$$\hat{H}_{eff} \sim -\kappa \int d\mathbf{r} \hat{s}_z \hat{J}_z(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\langle \hat{S}_x^{\text{in}} \rangle = \frac{N_P}{2} \quad \langle \hat{S}_y^{\text{in}} \rangle = \langle \hat{S}_z^{\text{in}} \rangle = 0$$

atoms

$$[\hat{H}_{eff}, \hat{J}_z] = 0$$

The collective spin is rotated
around the z-axis by $\chi = -\kappa t / \hbar$

 $\langle \mathbf{J}_z \rangle$ constant

light

$$-i\hbar c \partial_{\mathbf{r}} \hat{S}_i = [\hat{S}_i, \hat{H}_{eff}]$$

Faraday rotation of the Stokes
operators in the x-y plane

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{S}_y^{\text{out}} &= \cos \theta \hat{S}_y^{\text{in}} + \sin \theta \hat{S}_x^{\text{in}} \\ \hat{S}_x^{\text{out}} &= -\sin \theta \hat{S}_y^{\text{in}} + \cos \theta \hat{S}_x^{\text{in}} \end{aligned}$$


Experiments at NIST with F=1 spinor condensates:
Y. Liu et al, PRL 102,125301(2009)

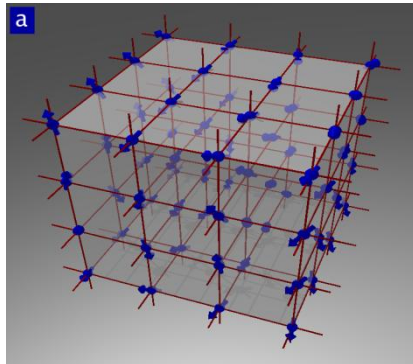
$$\begin{aligned} \langle \hat{X}_S^{\text{out}} \rangle &\sim \langle \hat{J}_z \rangle \\ \langle (\Delta \hat{X}_S^{\text{out}})^2 \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\kappa^2}{F N_{\text{at}}} \langle (\hat{J}_z - \langle \hat{J}_z \rangle)^2 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Probing strongly correlated states

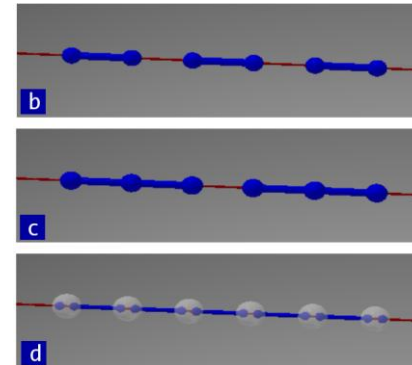
Heisenberg Hamiltonian
Spin F=1

$$H = \sum_{\langle n, n' \rangle} \cos \beta \hat{\mathbf{j}}(z_n) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{j}}(z_{n'}) + \sin \beta \left[\hat{\mathbf{j}}(z_n) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{j}}(z_{n'}) \right]^2$$

Paramagnetic states



Antiferromagnetic states



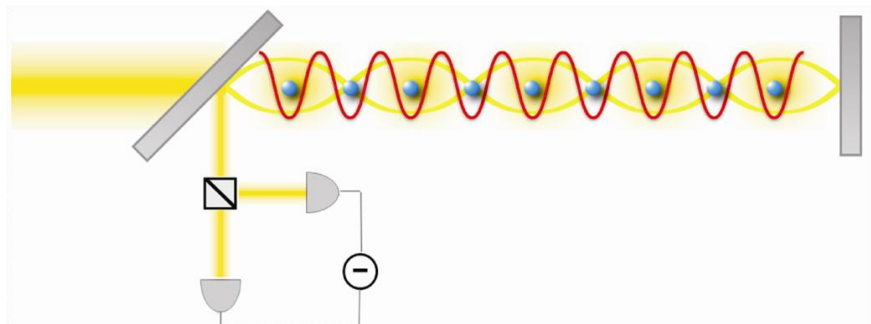
$$\langle \hat{X}_s^{\text{out}} \rangle \sim \langle \hat{J}_z \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle (\delta \hat{X}_S^{\text{out}})^2 \rangle - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{\kappa^2}{2N_{\text{at}}} \langle (\hat{J}_z - \langle \hat{J}_z \rangle)^2 \rangle = \frac{5\kappa^2}{2}$$

$$\langle \hat{X}_S^{\text{out}} \rangle \sim \langle \hat{J}_z \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle (\delta \hat{X}_S^{\text{out}})^2 \rangle - \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

Spatially resolved probing: access to the effective atomic spin



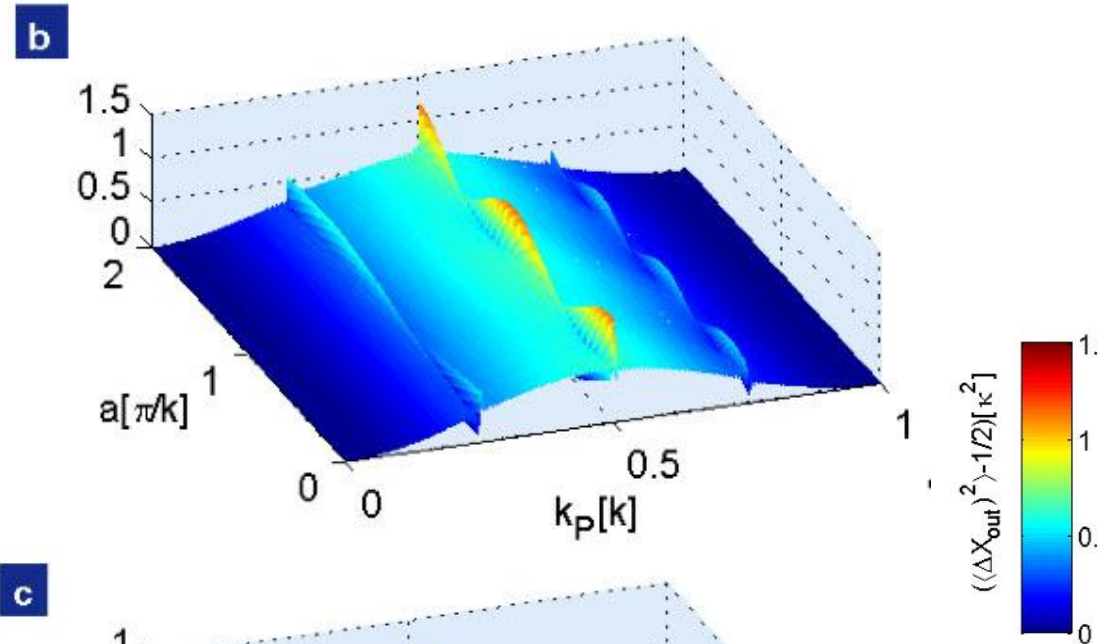
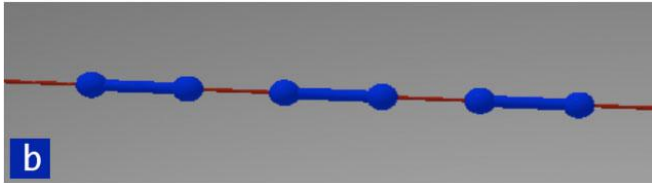
$$\begin{aligned}\langle \hat{X}_S^{\text{out}} \rangle &\sim \langle \hat{J}_z^{\text{eff}} \rangle \\ \langle (\delta \hat{X}_S^{\text{out}})^2 \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\kappa^2}{N_{\text{at}}} \langle (\hat{J}_z^{\text{eff}} - \langle \hat{J}_z^{\text{eff}} \rangle)^2 \rangle \\ \hat{J}_z^{\text{eff}} &= \int dz \cos^2(k_P z + \phi) \hat{J}_z(z)\end{aligned}$$

Averaging over phases ϕ :
access to the magnetic structure factor

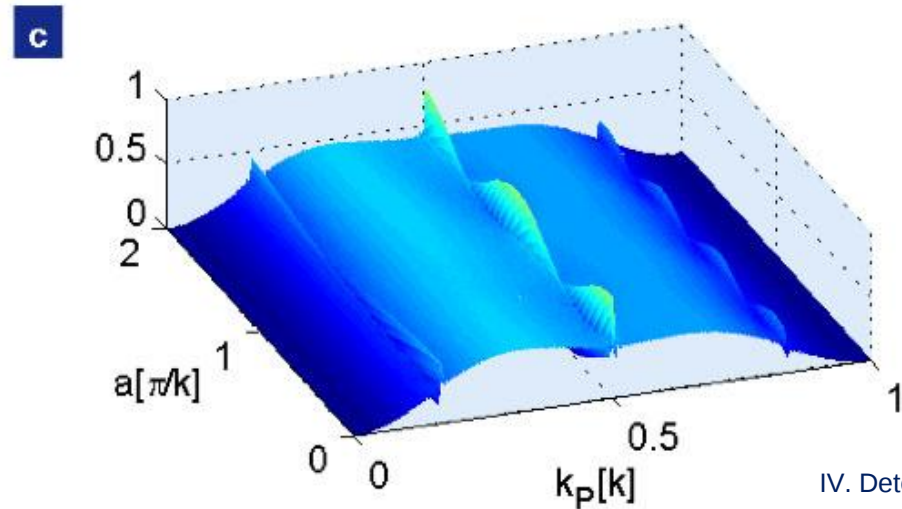
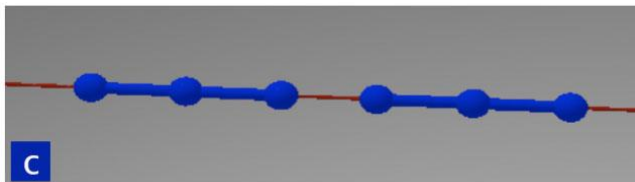
$$\begin{aligned}\langle (\delta \hat{X}_S^{\text{out}}(\mathbf{k})^2 \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\kappa^2 V}{4N_{\text{at}}} [4S_m(0) + S_m(2\mathbf{k}) + S_m(-2\mathbf{k})] \\ S_m(\mathbf{k}) &= \frac{1}{V} \int \mathbf{r} \int \mathbf{r}' e^{-i\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}')} \langle \delta \hat{J}_z(\mathbf{r}) \delta \hat{J}_z(\mathbf{r}') \rangle\end{aligned}$$

Standing-wave probing of F=1 antiferromagnetic states

Dimer



Trimer

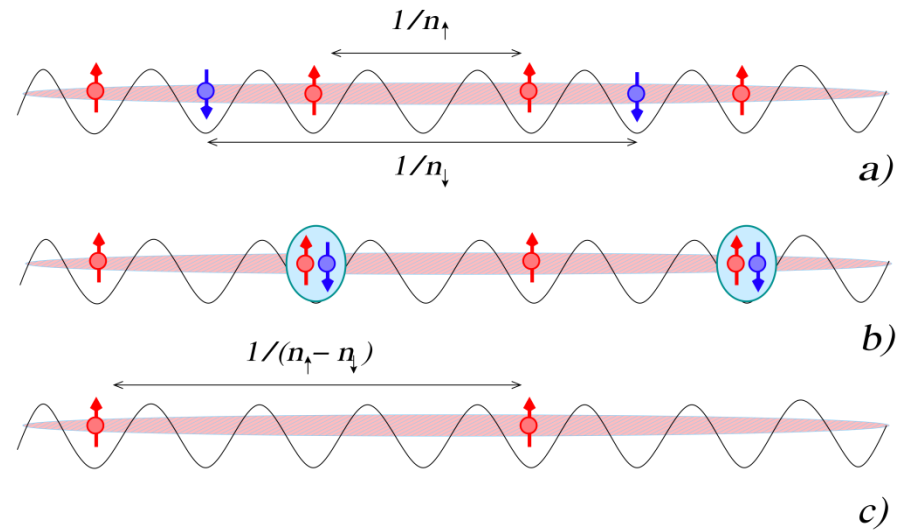
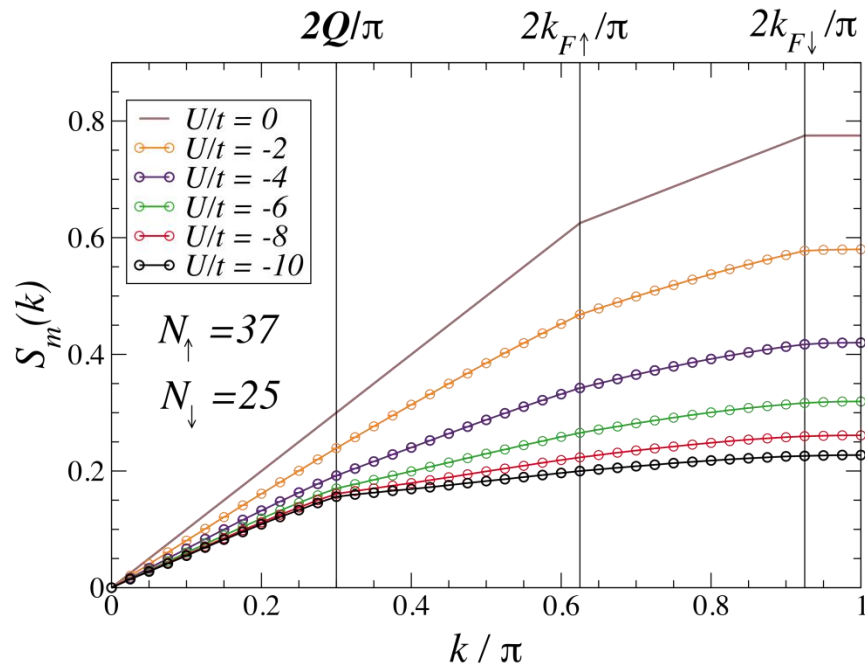


Magnetic structure factor for attractive fermions

$$H = -t \sum_{i,\sigma} \left(\hat{c}_{i,\sigma}^\dagger \hat{c}_{i+1,\sigma} + \text{h.c.} \right) - U \sum_i \hat{n}_{i\uparrow} \hat{n}_{i\downarrow}$$

FFLO pairs with momentum

$$Q = k_{F\uparrow} - k_{F\downarrow}$$



IV.1 Quantum Polarization Spectroscopy

- QPS can be used to distinguish strongly correlated antiferromagnetic phases of the spin-1 Heisenberg Hamiltonian
- Can distinguish superfluidity and the FFLO phase in a 1D chain of attractive fermions

Eckert et al, PRL 98, 100404 (2007)

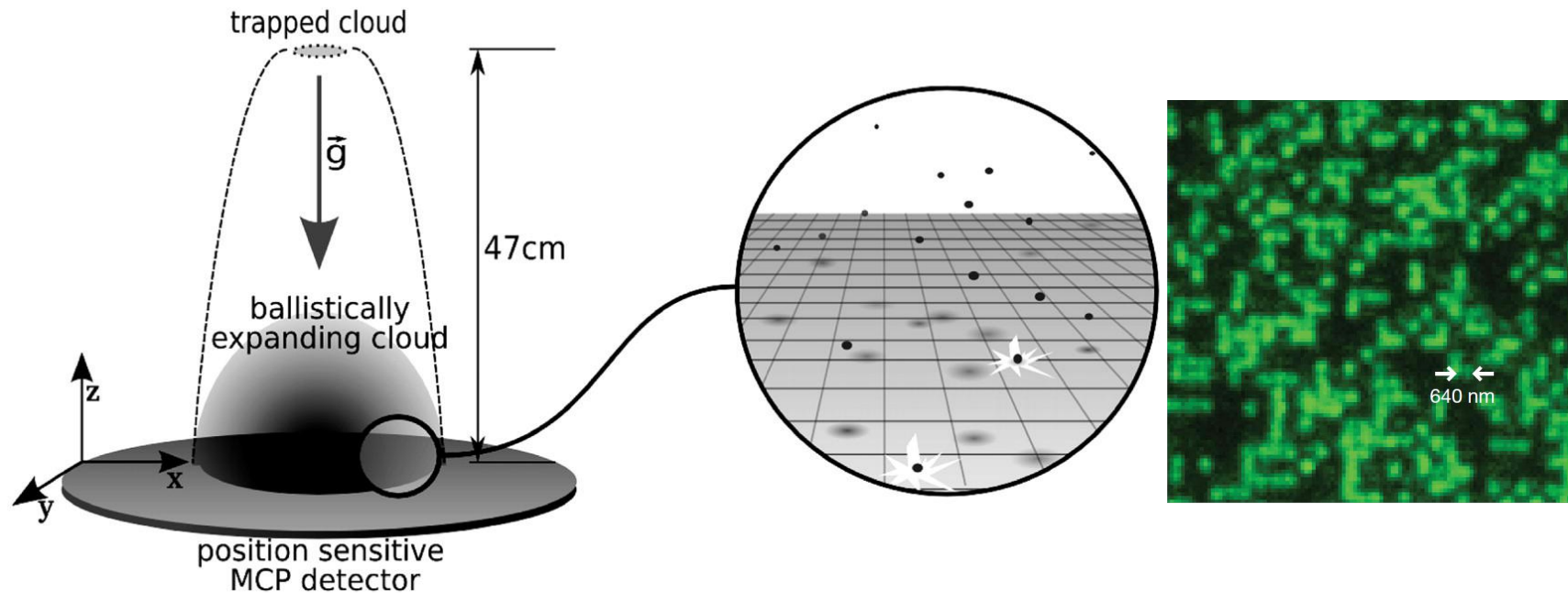
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T. Roscilde, M. Rodríguez, K. Eckert, O. Romero-Isart, M. Lewenstein, E. S. Polzik, A. Sanpera New Journal Physics (2009)

IV.II-Counting statistics of atoms

□ After expansion

□ In the lattice



M.Schellekens et al Science 310, 648 (2005)

Greiner's group Nature 462 2009

Bloch's group Nature 467 2010

Chen's group Nature 460 2009

Counting formalism

[Kelley & Kleiner 1964, Glauber 1965]

The probability distribution of counting m fermionic/ bosonic atoms

$$p(m) = \frac{(-1)^m}{m!} \frac{d^m}{d\lambda^m} Q \Big|_{\lambda=1}$$

can be derived from a generating function

$$Q(\lambda) = \text{Tr}(\rho : e^{-\lambda \mathcal{I}} :).$$

with the normal/appex order of the intensity of the atoms at the detector

$$\mathcal{I} = \int_0^t dt' \int d\mathbf{r}' \Omega(\mathbf{r}') \tilde{\Psi}^\dagger(\mathbf{r}', t') \tilde{\Psi}(\mathbf{r}', t')$$

Fermion and spin counting

$$\hat{H} = -J \sum_{j=1}^N (\hat{c}_j^\dagger \hat{c}_{j+1} + \gamma \hat{c}_j^\dagger \hat{c}_{j+1}^\dagger + h.c. - 2g \hat{c}_j^\dagger \hat{c}_j + g).$$

$$H_{xy} = -J \sum_{j=1}^N [(1 + \gamma) S_j^x S_{j+1}^x + (1 - \gamma) S_j^y S_{j+1}^y + g S_j^z]$$

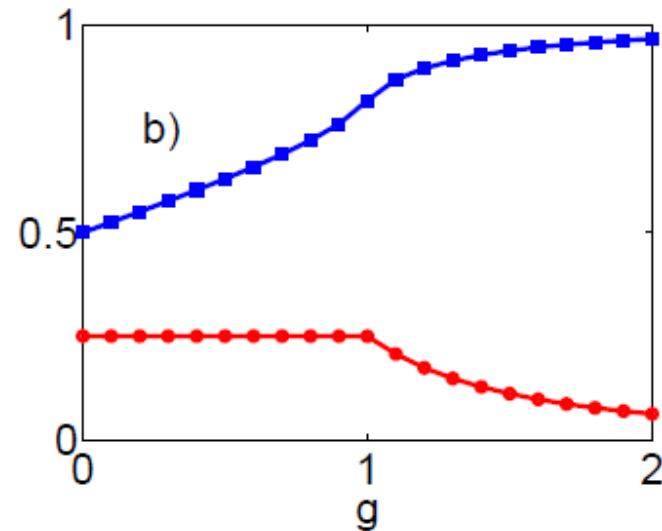
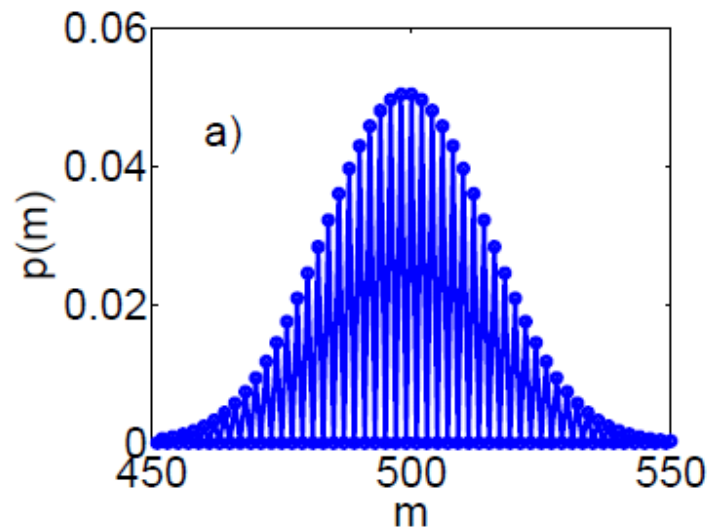


Figure 5.1: a) Counting probability distribution $p(m)$ of finding m particles as a function of m for the fermionic system eq. (5.1) with $\gamma = \kappa=1$, $g = 0$ and $N = 1000$. b) Mean $\bar{m}/N$ (blue squares) and variance σ^2/N (red circles) of the counting distribution as a function of the transverse field g .

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$$H_{xy} = -J \sum_{j=1}^N [(1 + \gamma) S_j^x S_{j+1}^x + (1 - \gamma) S_j^y S_{j+1}^y + g S_j^z]$$

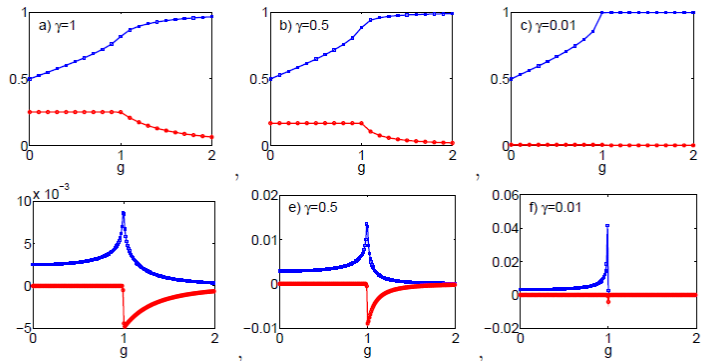


Figure 5.4: (Color online.) a)-c) Mean $\bar{m}/N$ (blue squares) and variance var/N (red circles) of the fermion counting distribution as a function of g for $\kappa = 1$, and indicated values of γ . d)-f) Derivatives of the mean (blue squares) and variance (red circles) for the respective values of γ

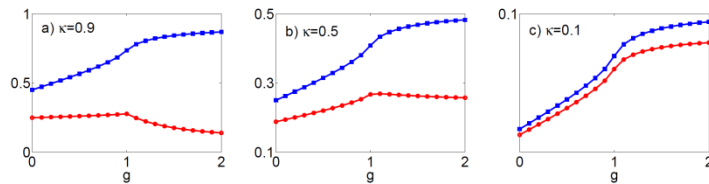


Figure 5.3: (Color online.) Mean $\bar{m}/N$ (blue squares) and variance var/N (red circles) of the fermion counting distribution as a function of g for $\gamma = 1$ (Ising model), and the indicated values of κ .

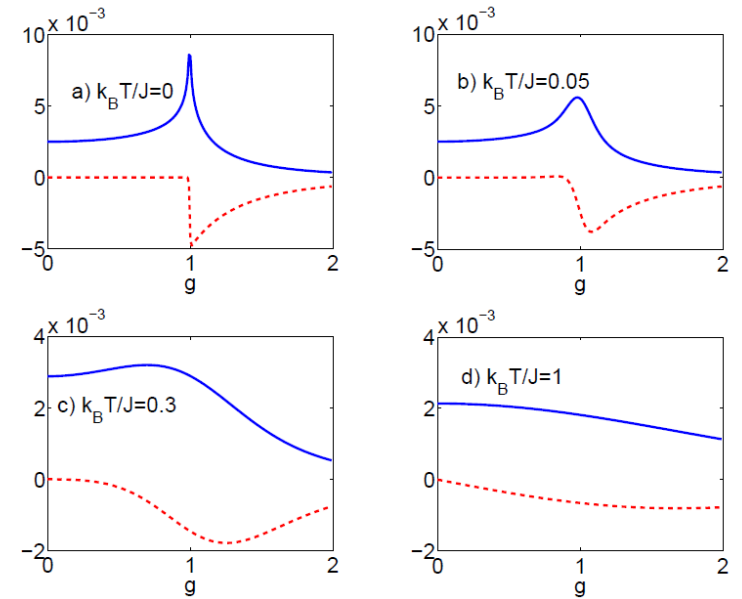


Figure 6.2: Derivative of the mean $\bar{m}/N$ (blue squares) and the variance σ^2/N (red circles) of the counting distribution of the fermionic system eq.(5.1) with $\gamma = 1$ as a function of the transverse field g . a) $k_B T/J = 0$, $N_d = 0$ for all g ; b) $k_B T/J = 0.05$ and $N_d/N \simeq 0$ at $g = 0$; c) $k_B T/J = 0.3$ and $N_d/N = 0.03$ at $g = 0$; d) $k_B T/J = 1$ and $N_d/N = 0.27$ at $g = 0$.

Counting bosons after expansion

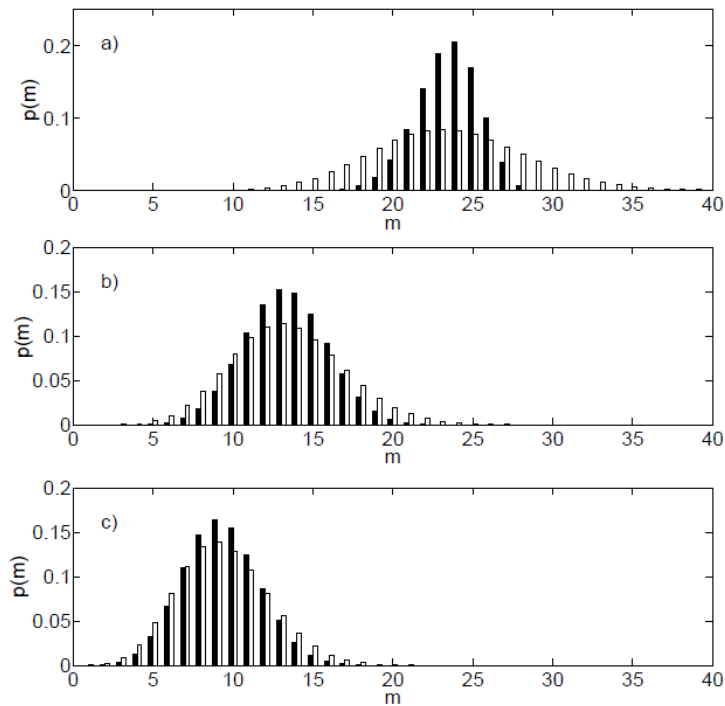


Figure 7.3: MI vs. SF as a function of distance from detector. Probability distribution for MI (black bars) and superfluid (white bars) states in a $3 \times 3 \times 3$ lattice. $\Delta_x = \Delta_y = 2$ mm, $\Delta_z = 2$ cm, $\kappa = 1$. a) $Z_0 = 1$ cm, b) $Z_0 = 3$ cm, c) $Z_0 = 5$ cm

S. Braungardt, M. Rodriguez, A. Sen, U. Sen, M. Lewenstein (to be submitted)

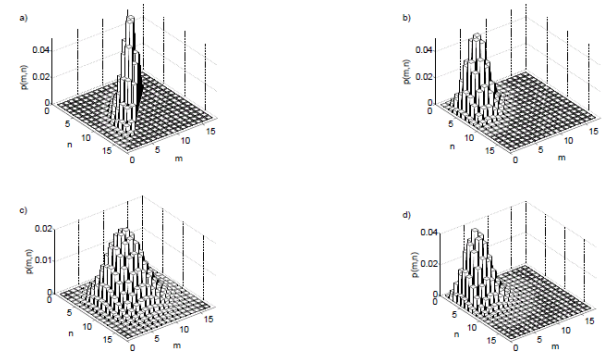


Figure 7.5: Joint probability distribution of an expanded MI (upper row) and a SF (lower row) in a 4×4 lattice with two symmetrically placed detectors. In fig. a) and c), the two detectors overlap at the center of the lattice in x-y direction. In fig. b) and d) the detectors are separated by $d = 1$ cm. $Z_0 = 1$ cm, $\Delta_z = 2$ mm, $\Delta_x = \Delta_y = 2$ cm, $\kappa = 0.5$.

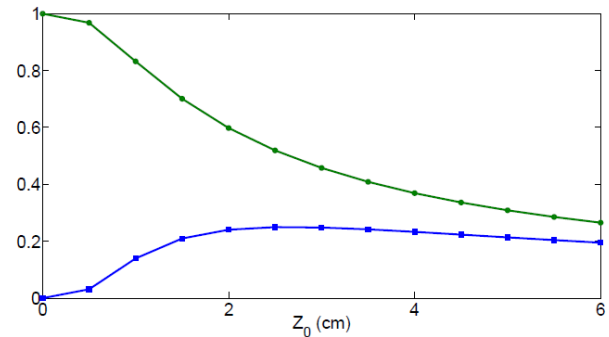


Figure 7.4: $\text{var}(m)/N$ of the counting distribution for the MI (blue squares) and SF (green circles) state with respect to the distance from the detector Z_0 . $\Delta_x = \Delta_y = 2$ mm, $\Delta_z = 2$ cm, $\kappa = 1$.

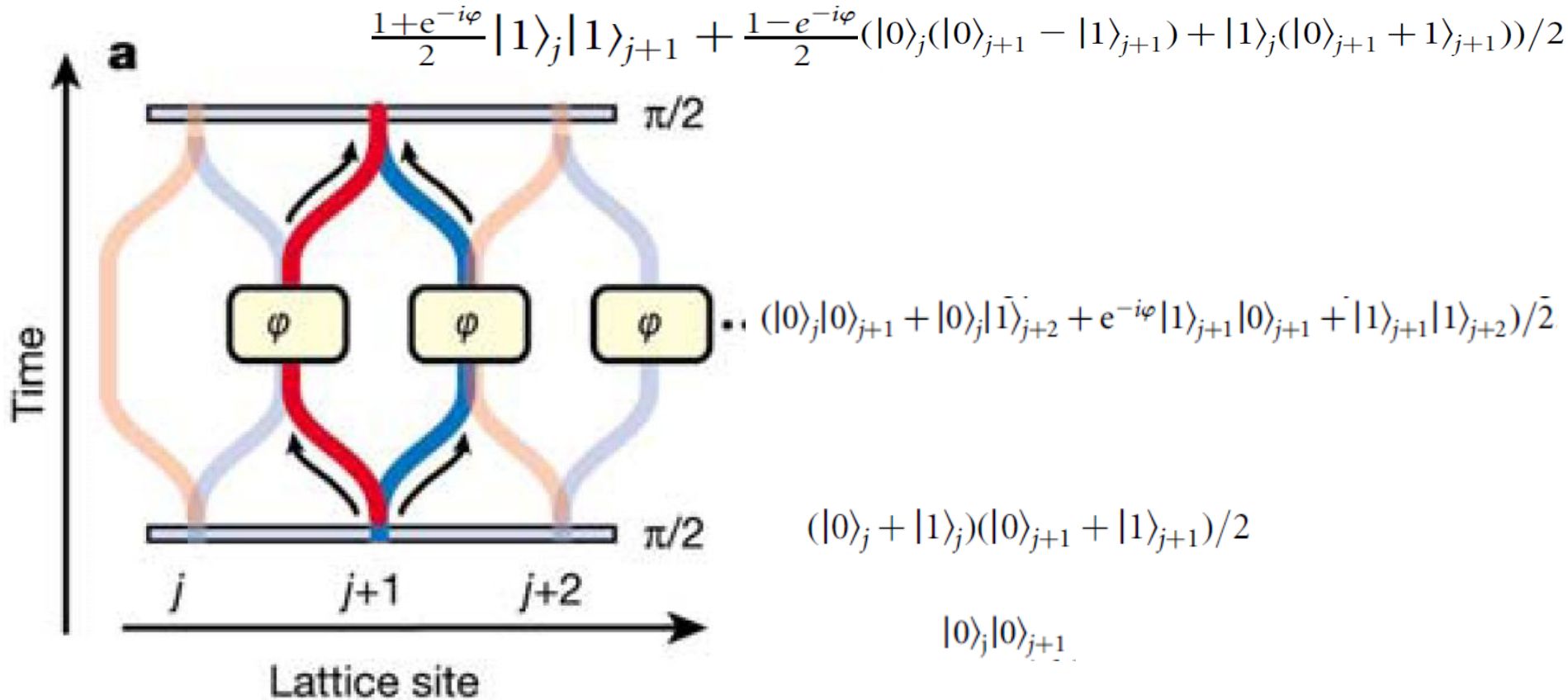
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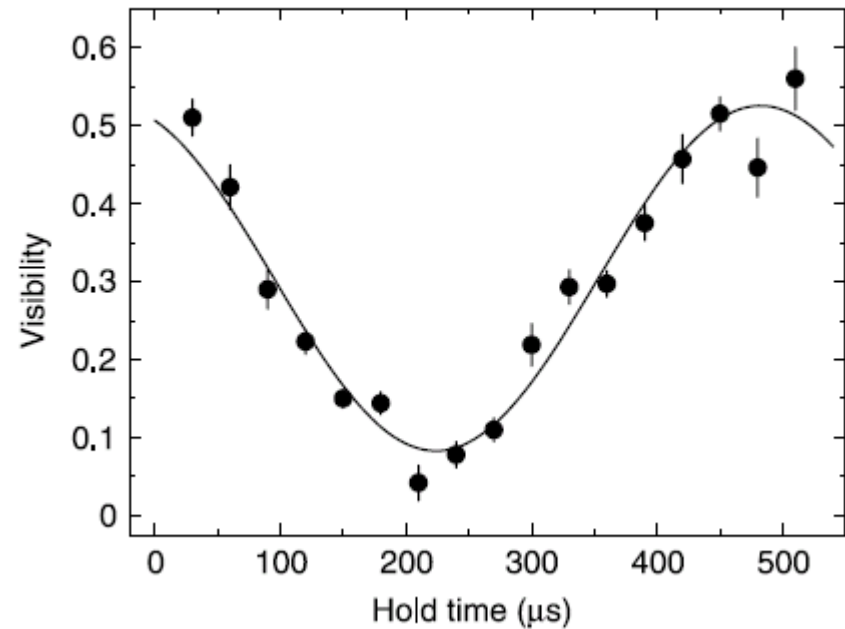
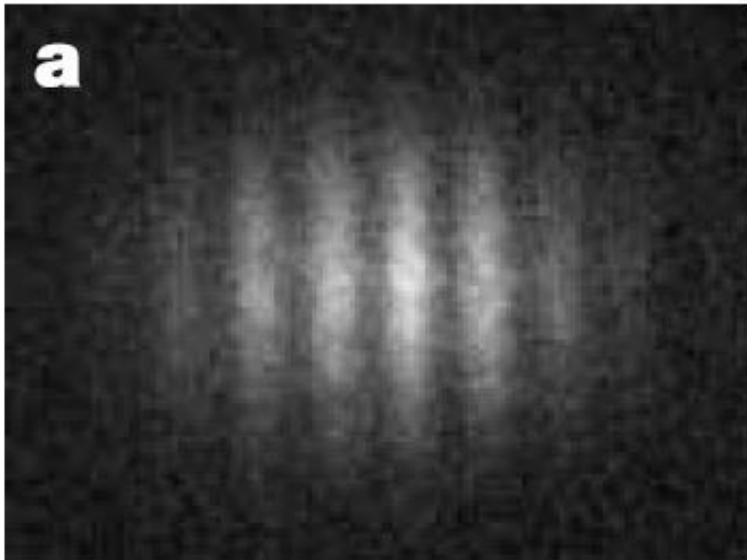
QI processing with OL

- I. Atoms
- II. Molecules

I. Entangling quantum gates O. Mandel et al, Nature 425 (2003)



Signature: visibility of the Ramsey fringes



O. Mandel et al, Nature 425 (2003)

I. Swap gate via control of the exchange interaction

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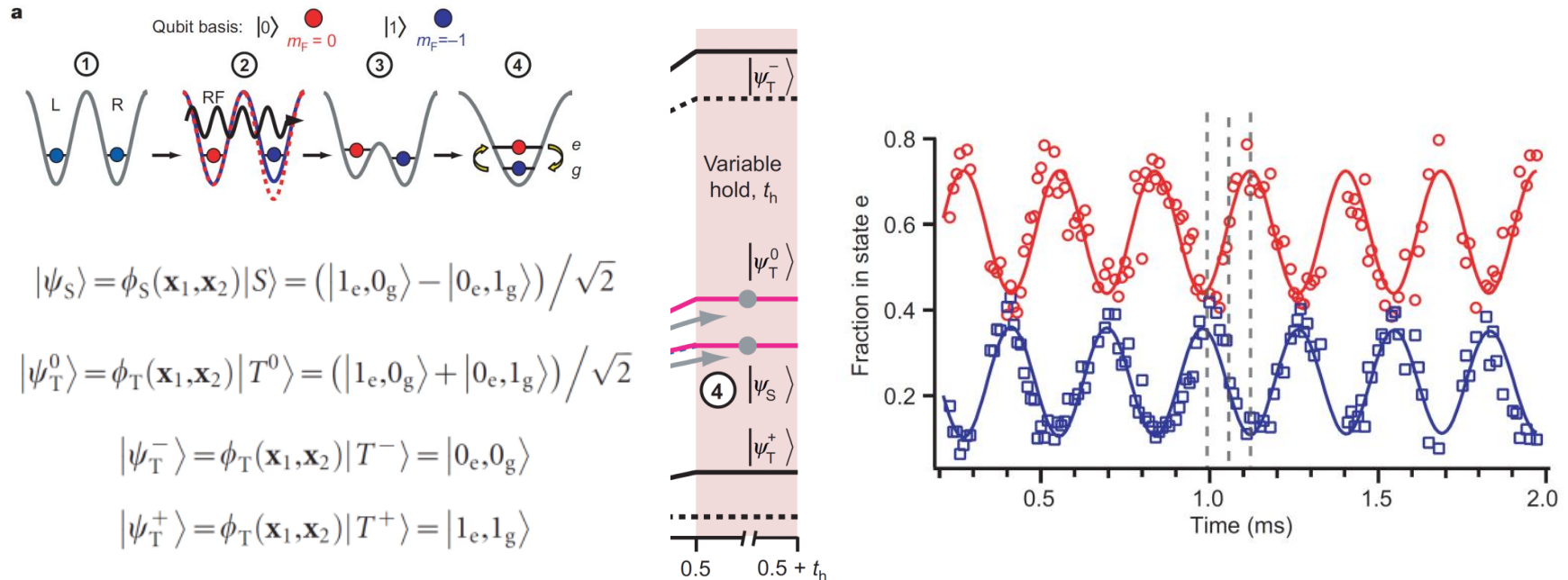


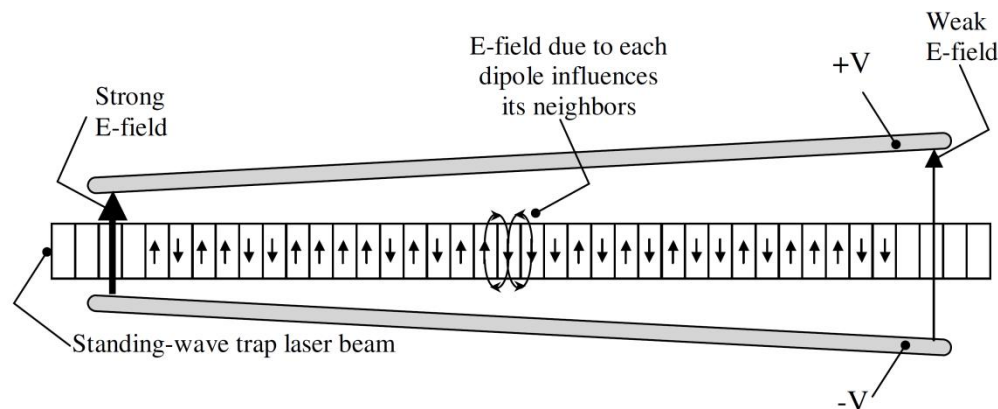
Table 1 | Truth table for SWAP and $\sqrt{\text{SWAP}}$ gates

Initial	State after time t	$\sqrt{\text{SWAP}} \ t = \pi\hbar/2U_{eg} = T_{\text{SWAP}}/2$	SWAP $t = \pi\hbar/U_{eg} \equiv T_{\text{SWAP}}$
$ 0_e, 0_g\rangle$	$e^{-iU_{eg}t/2\hbar} 0_e, 0_g\rangle$	$e^{-i\pi/4} 0_e, 0_g\rangle$	$ 0_e, 0_g\rangle$
$ 0_e, 1_g\rangle$	$\cos(U_{eg}t/2\hbar) 0_e, 1_g\rangle - i \sin(U_{eg}t/2\hbar) 1_e, 0_g\rangle$	$(0_e, 1_g\rangle - i 1_e, 0_g\rangle) / \sqrt{2}$	$ 1_e, 0_g\rangle$
$ 1_e, 0_g\rangle$	$-i \sin(U_{eg}t/2\hbar) 0_e, 1_g\rangle + \cos(U_{eg}t/2\hbar) 1_e, 0_g\rangle$	$(-i 0_e, 1_g\rangle + 1_e, 0_g\rangle) / \sqrt{2}$	$ 0_e, 1_g\rangle$
$ 1_e, 1_g\rangle$	$e^{-iU_{eg}t/2\hbar} 1_e, 1_g\rangle$	$e^{-i\pi/4} 1_e, 1_g\rangle$	$ 1_e, 1_g\rangle$

The table ignores a global phase factor $e^{-iU_{eg}t/2\hbar}$.

III. Quantum computation with trapped polar molecules

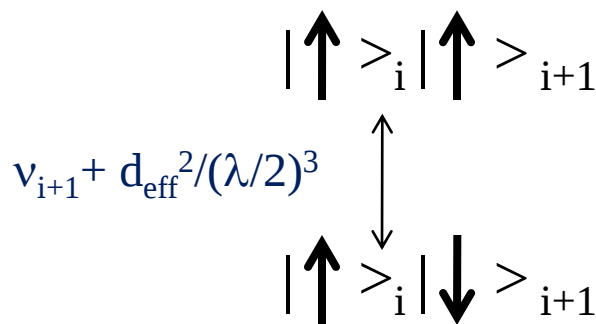
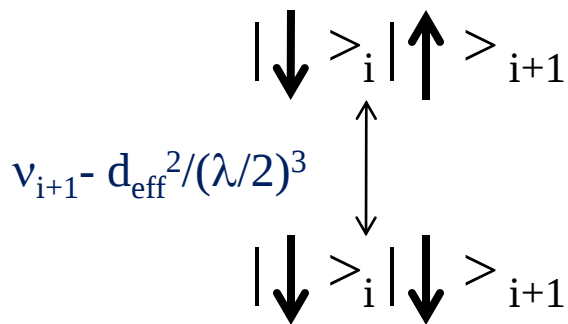
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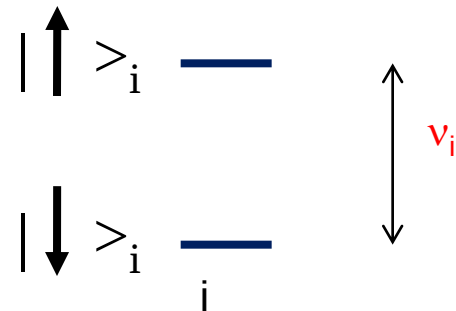
CNOT gate

Dipole dipole interactions

$$E_{\text{int}} = -\sum_j d_{\text{eff}} / |x_i - x_j|^3$$



$d_{\text{eff}}^3 / (\lambda/2)^3$ in the 1/10 GHz regime



Single qubit operation

$$v_i = v_0 + d_{\text{eff}} E_i / h$$

$$v_0 = h B J(J+1)$$

$$d_{\text{eff}} = d_g - d_e$$

$$E_i = E_0 + V_i$$

v_i in the GHz regime

Conclusions

- OL provide promising systems for the implementation of Quantum Information Processing
 - low decoherence rates
 - large systems
 - controllable, implement Hubbard and Spin Hamiltonians.
 - Quantum state engineering with time-dependent potentials: adiabatic ramping, fast oscillatory potential, trains of pulses.
 - Detection of strongly correlated phases is possible.
 - Some quantum gates have already been implemented experimentally.
- recent experimental breakthrough: single-site addressing



Thank you very much for your attention!!

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