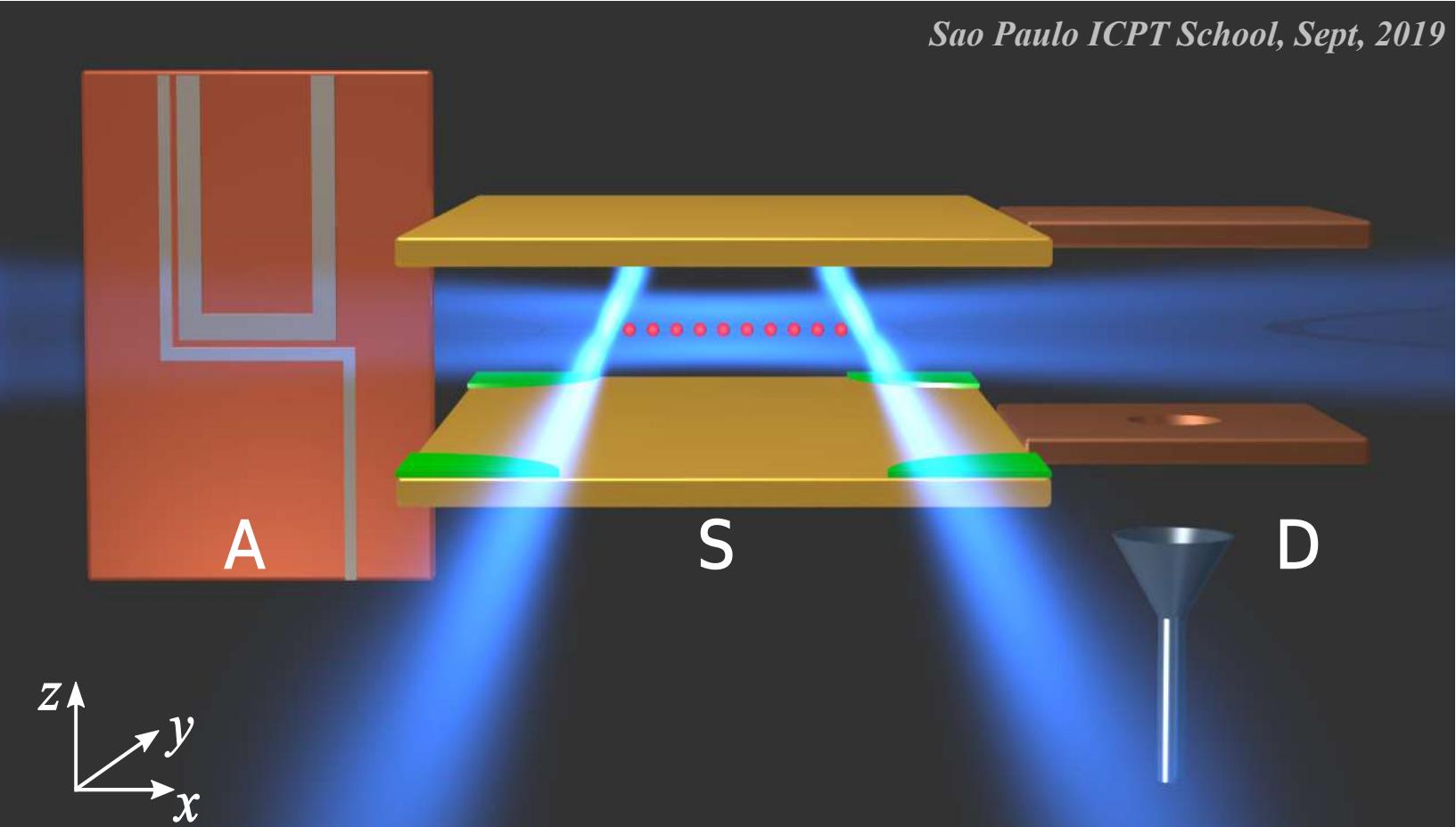




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From cavity QED to quantum simulations with Rydberg atoms

Lecture 5

Michel Brune

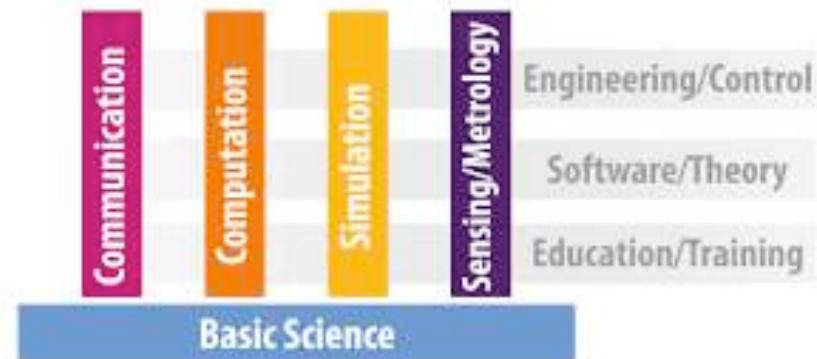


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Quantum simulation

- Quantum technologies

EU Flagship



- **Quantum simulation:**

use a well controlled "synthetic" quantum system in order to address complex many-body problems of solid-state physics



Nature isn't classical, dammit, and if you want to make a simulation of nature, you'd better make it quantum mechanical, and by golly it's a wonderful problem, because it doesn't look so easy.

— Richard P. Feynman —

AZ QUOTES

1981

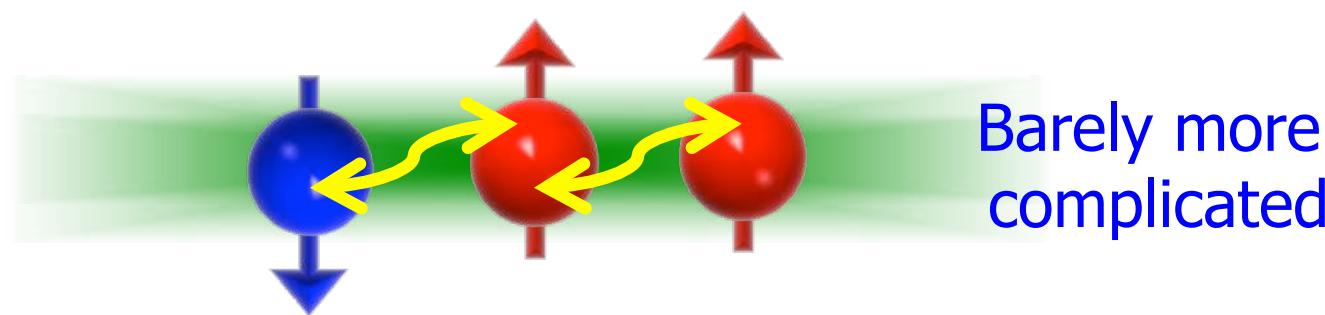
- High degree of control of parameters in a range not accessible in the real system
 - Access to local physical properties at the level of individual elementary elements -> measurement of any correlation function
- Seems much "easier" than quantum computation

Quantum simulations of spin-systems

Simulations with computer?

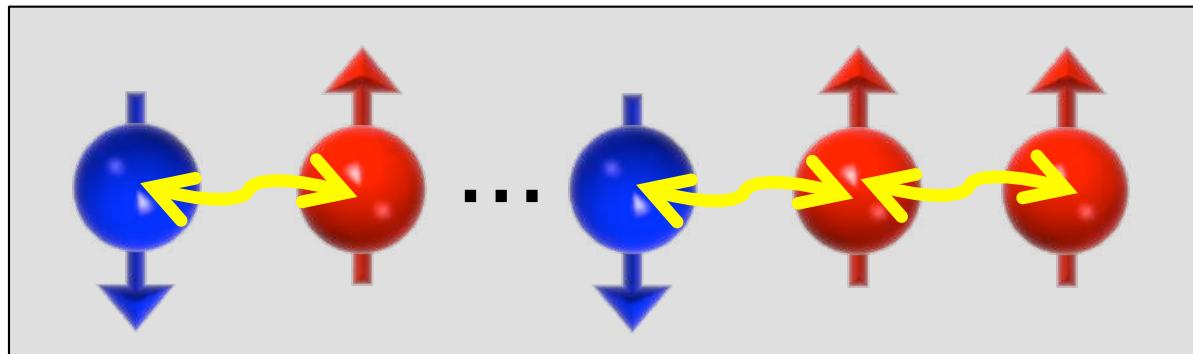


Simple



Barely more
complicated

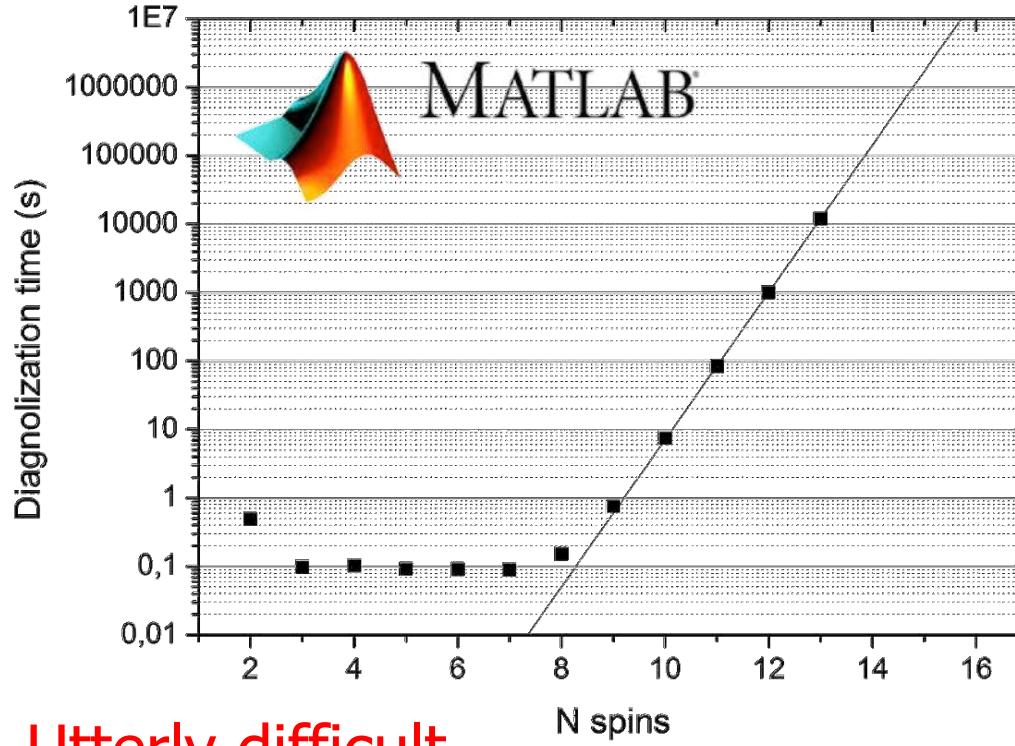
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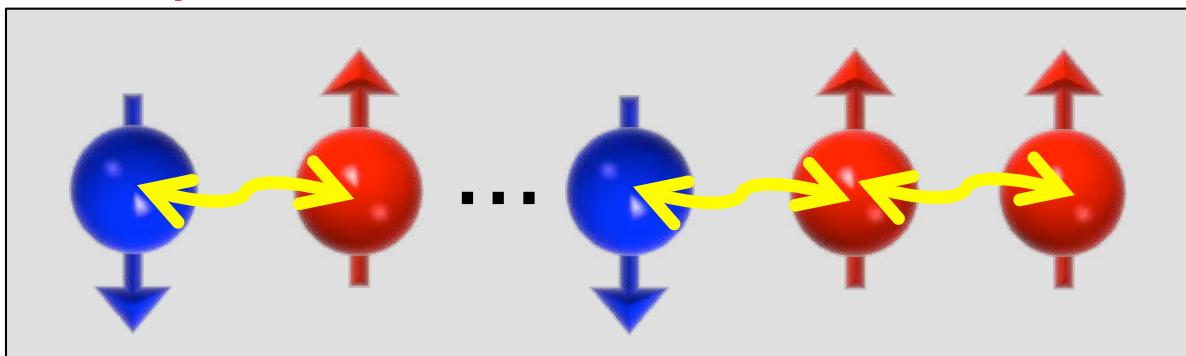
Quantum simulations of spin-systems

Simulations with computer: face exponential size of Hilbert space



Utterly difficult

$N = 10 \rightarrow \sim 7 \text{ s}$
 $N = 13 \rightarrow \sim 3 \text{ h}$
 $N = 16 \rightarrow \sim 8 \text{ months}$
 $N = 40 \rightarrow \sim 4 \cdot 10^{25} \text{ years}$



Impossible!

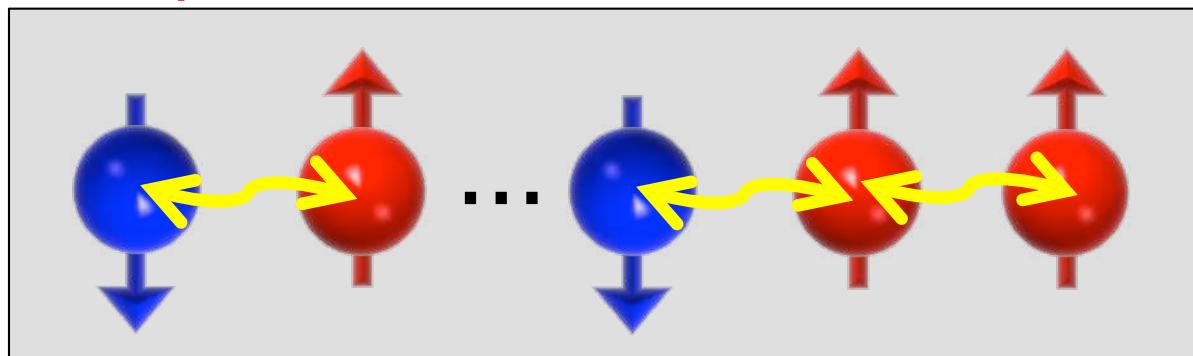
Quantum simulations

Simulations with computer?

Linear chain of N spins-1/2:

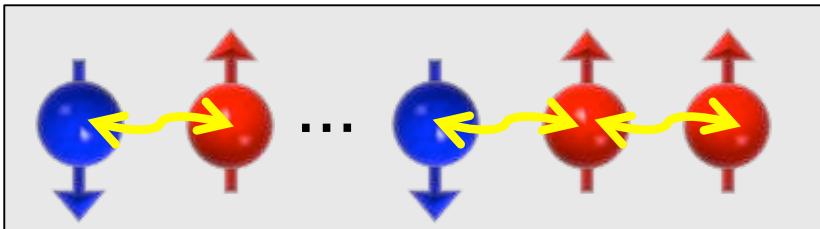
- Exact diagonalization: $N \sim 36$ (present performance)
- Ground-state: well-known via powerful numerical techniques (DMRG)
- Dynamics... tricky! Few tens of interaction cycles only.

Utterly difficult



Impossible!

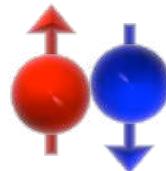
Spin chain quantum simulation



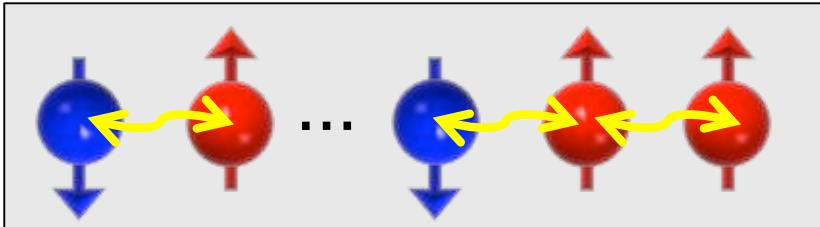
Simulation of a chain of interacting spins-1/2

Requirements?

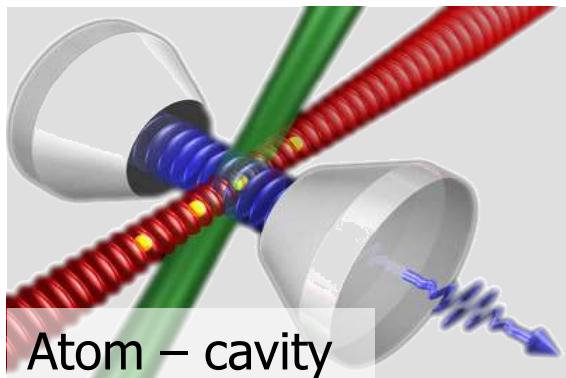
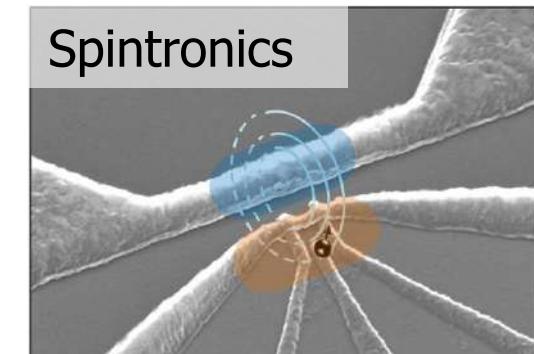
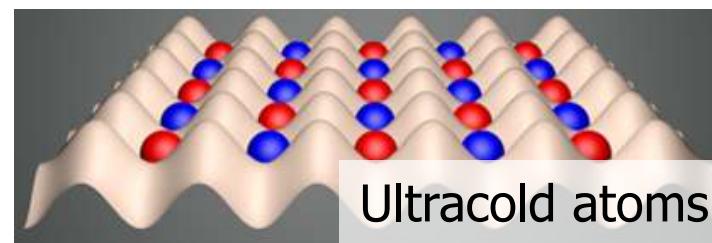
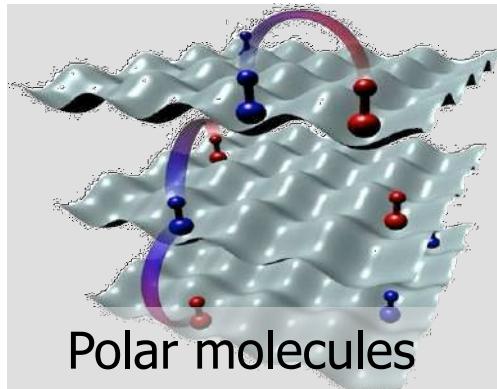
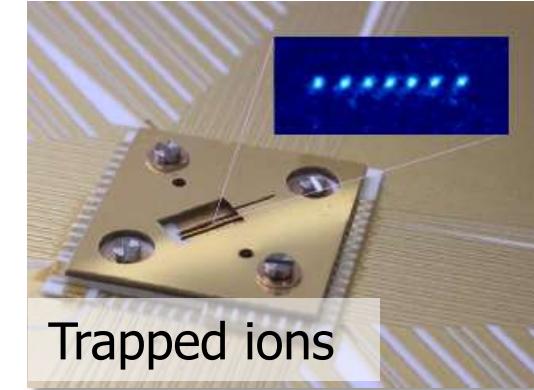
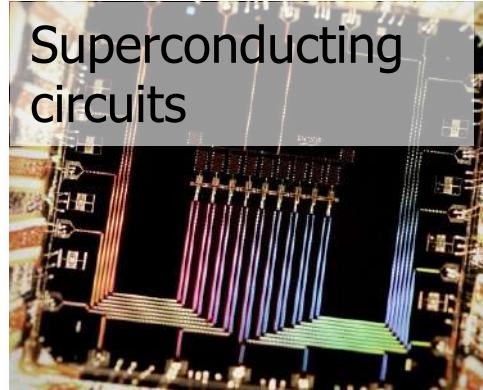
- Spin 1/2
- Defect free chain of spins preparation
- Long lifetime and strong interaction
 - Observe many interaction cycles
- Fully tunable Hamiltonian $H = H_0 + H_{\text{ext}} + H_{\text{int}}$



Quantum simulations: various systems

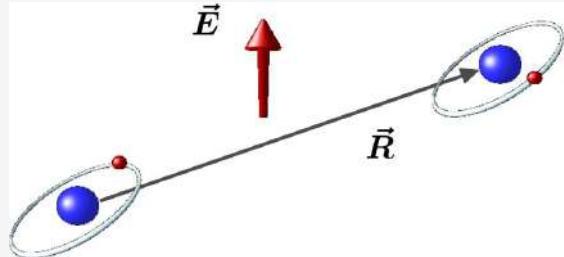


How to simulate?



Rydberg atoms dipole-dipole interaction

Dipole interaction



$$V_{dd} = \frac{q^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^3} \left(\vec{r}_1 \cdot \vec{r}_2 - 3 \left(\vec{r}_1 \cdot \frac{\vec{r}}{r} \right) \left(\vec{r}_2 \cdot \frac{\vec{r}}{r} \right) \right)$$

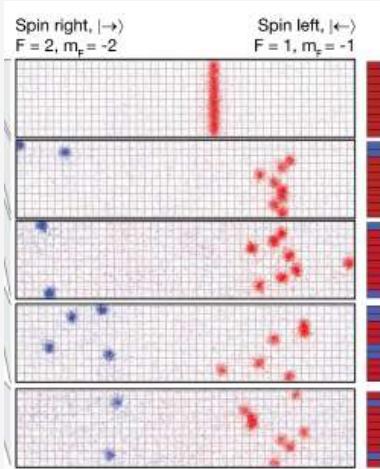
Rydberg atoms have large dipole: $d=q a_0 n^2 \approx 2000$ a.u. for $n=50$

→ coupling strength in the MHz range at a distance $d=5 \mu\text{m}$
Typically **10¹¹ times larger than for ordinary atom**

→ fast quantum gates and quantum simulation as compared with the dissipation timescales

Present Rydberg atom based quantum simulators

- MOT insulator of ground state atoms + Rydberg dressing



→ dynamic of a linear 10 atom Ising spin chain

→ simulation duration limited by blackbody induced Rydberg losses

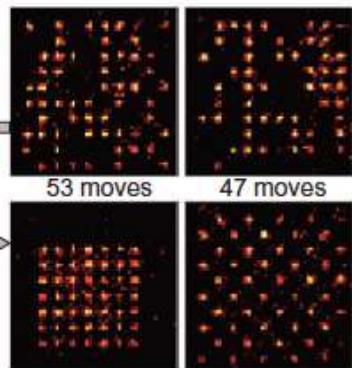
$$\tau_{loss} \approx 130\mu s$$

→ Filling factor smaller than 1

I. Bloch, C. Gross

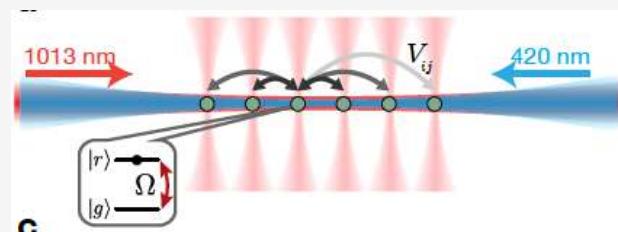
arXiv:1705.08372

- Single trapped ground state atoms in optical tweezers



Science 354,
1021 (2017)
49 atom array

A. Browayes Paris-Saclay



arXiv:1707.04344
51 atom linear trap

M. Lukin Harvard-MIT

The Rydberg state is not trapped → simulation limited to few μs timescale

Rydberg atoms quantum simulator

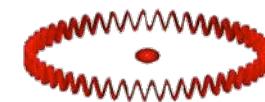
- Two main limitations for low angular momentum Rydberg states (S, P, D laser accessible levels)

- Finite Rydberg state lifetime (100 μ s for laser accessible states)
 - And blackbody induced transfers
 - Atomic motion
 - An even more severe limitation to the useful time

Reduced but not cancelled by Rydberg dressing of ground states

E. A. Goldschmidt, Phys. Rev. Lett. 116, 113001 (XXX)

- Circular Rydberg atoms ($L=|l|=n-1$)



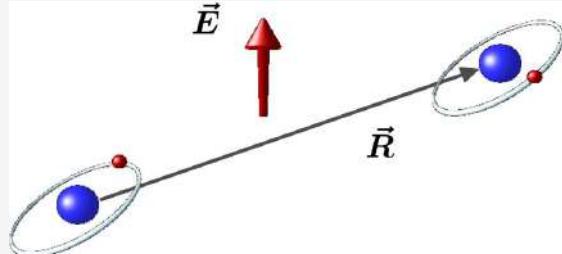
- Long natural lifetime, 25 ms for $n=48$
 - Spontaneous emission can even be suppressed
 - Large orbit $r_n \sim n^2 a_0$ → Huge electric dipole matrix elements
 - Strong dipole – dipole interactions
 - Can be trapped without ionizing

T.L. Nguyen et al, PRX 2018

→ good candidates for building a quantum simulator

Dipole interaction between circular atoms

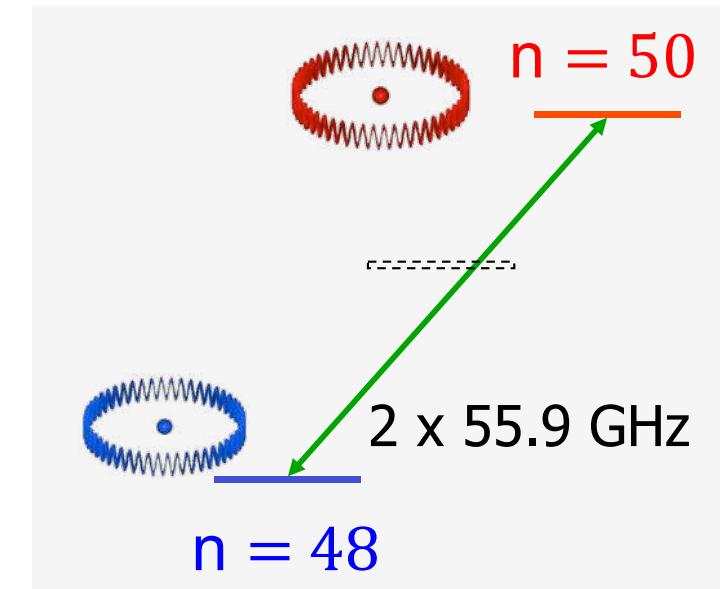
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$|nC, nC\rangle$ van der Waals interaction $\frac{C_6}{R^6}$
 $|nC, n'C\rangle \Leftrightarrow |n'C, nC\rangle$ exchange interaction

- $n' = n+2$ A_6/R^6 same order of magnitude as vdW

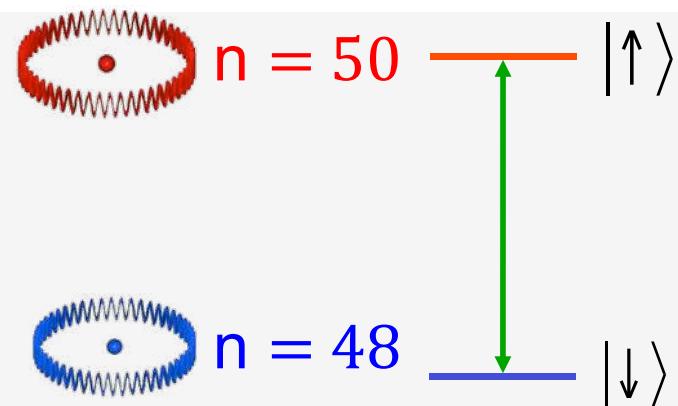
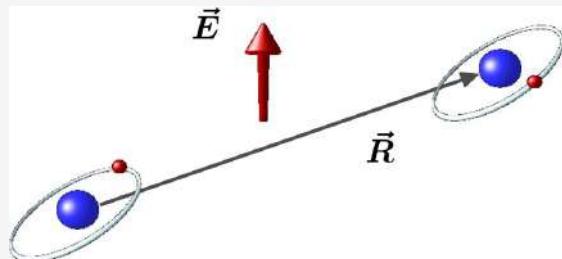


Large $n \rightarrow$ more BB radiation
→ shorter lifetime
Small $n \rightarrow$ lower interaction

→ chose 48C and 50C

XXZ spin chain model

Dipole interaction



Next-neighbor spin chain hamiltonian

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X or Z fields
→ result from
microwave dressing:

- $\Delta = \omega_0 - \omega_{\text{mw}}$
- Ω : MW Rabi frequency



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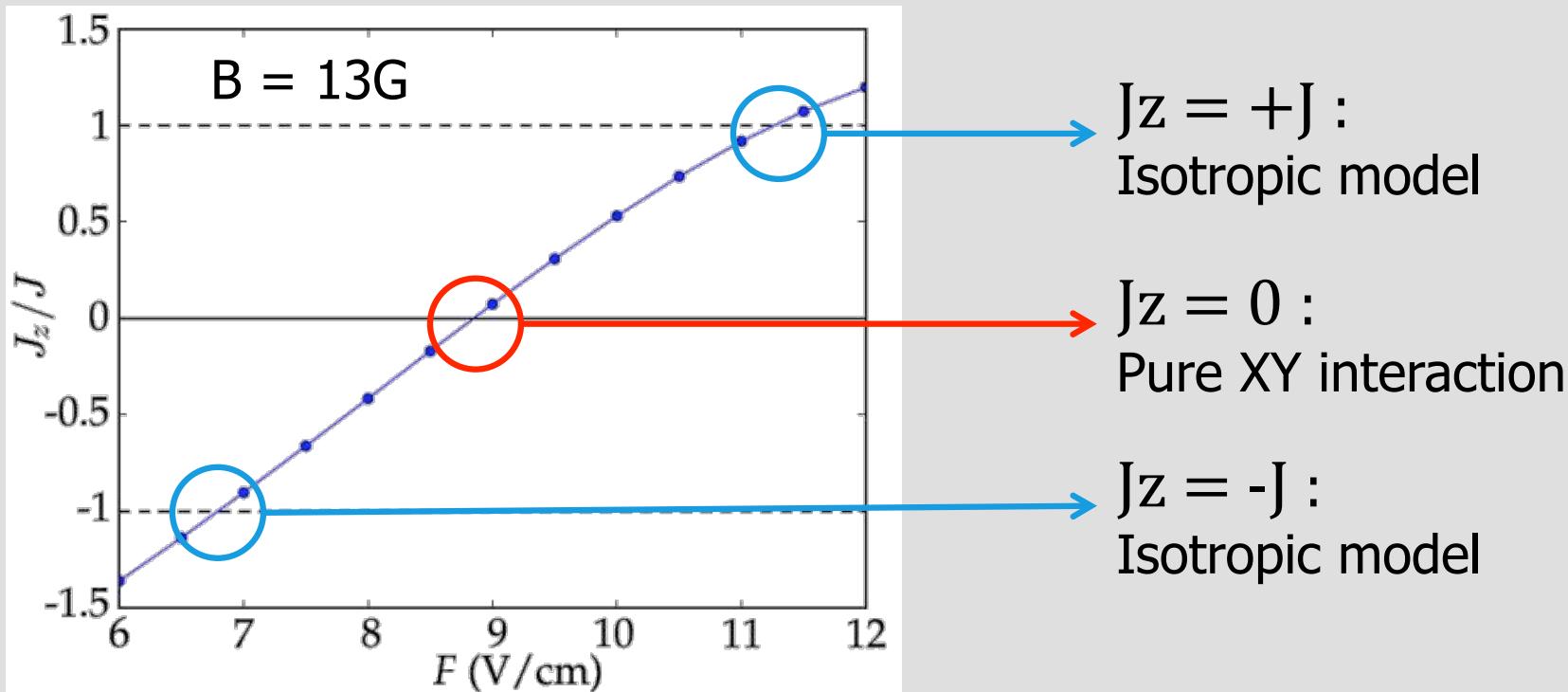
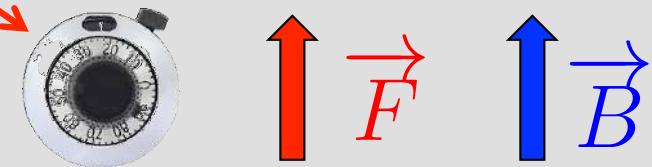
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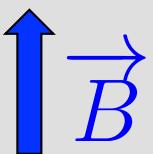
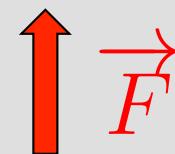
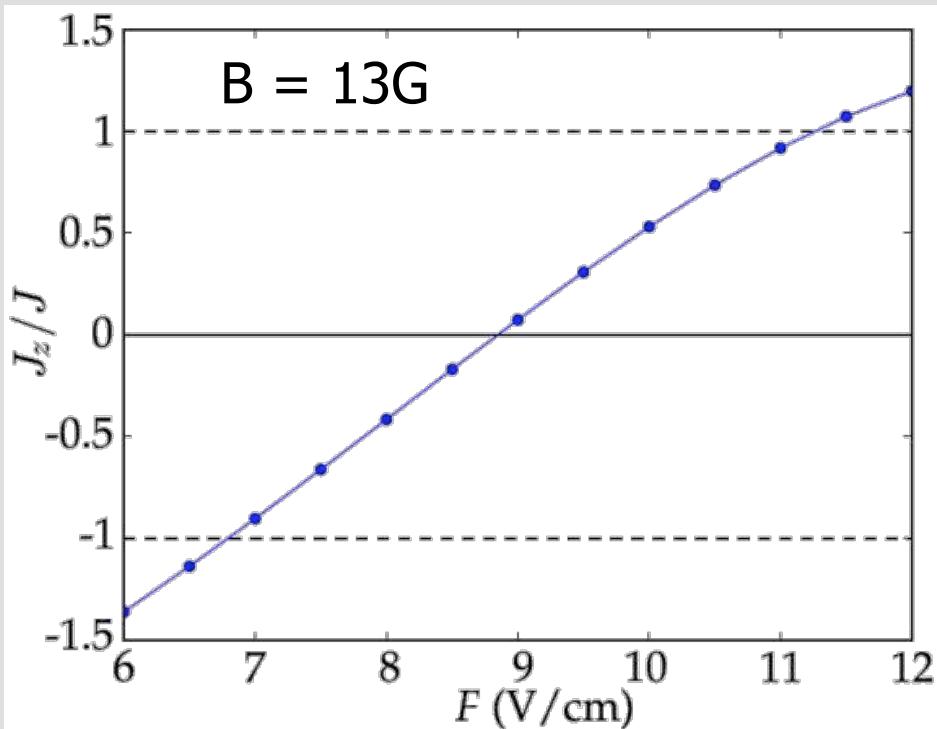


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- Interaction strength

- $J = 17 \text{ kHz}$ for $d = 5 \mu\text{m}$,
- Spin exchange time $1/4J$ in the $10 \mu\text{s}$ range

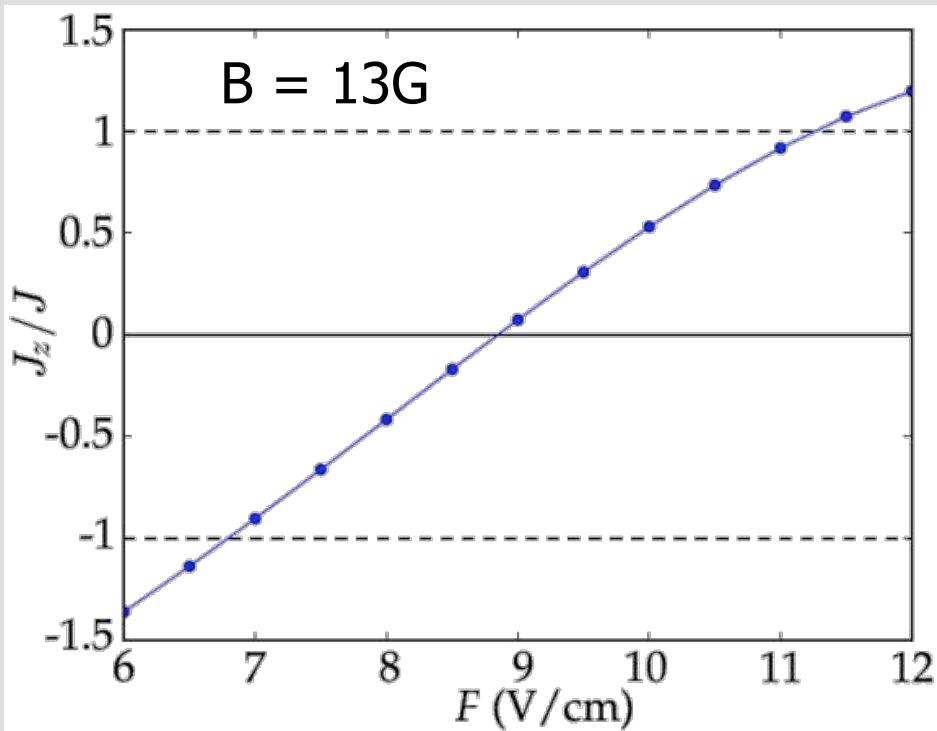
→ Trapping time of 1s
for a 40 atoms chain is
 10^5 exchange times!

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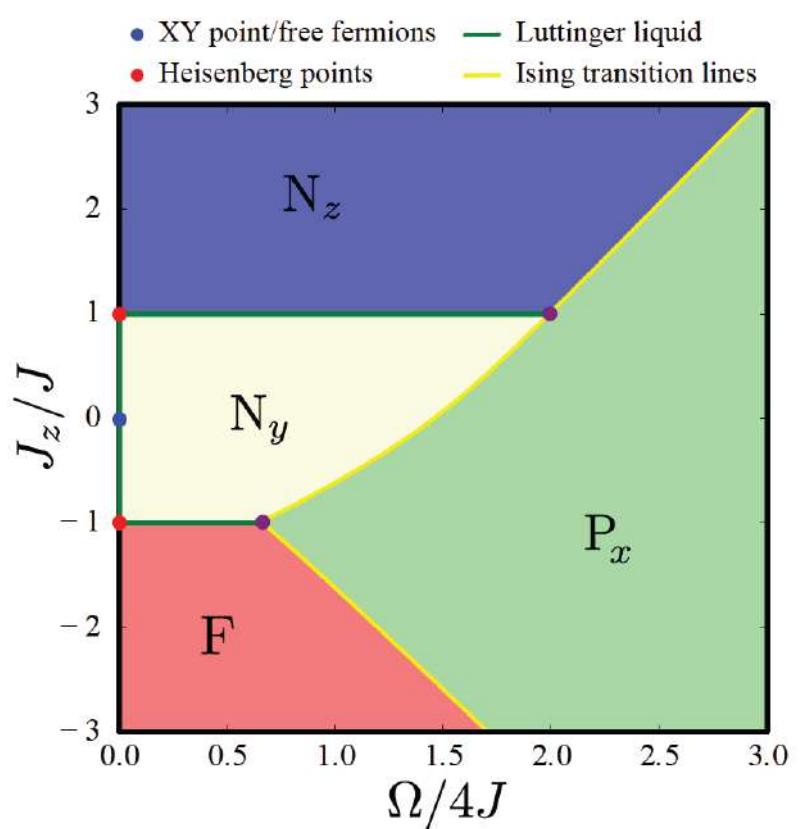
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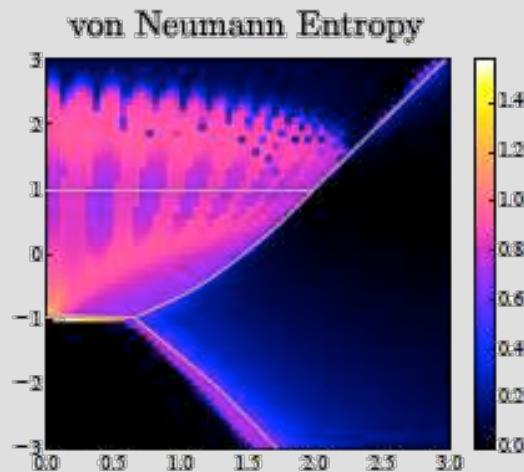


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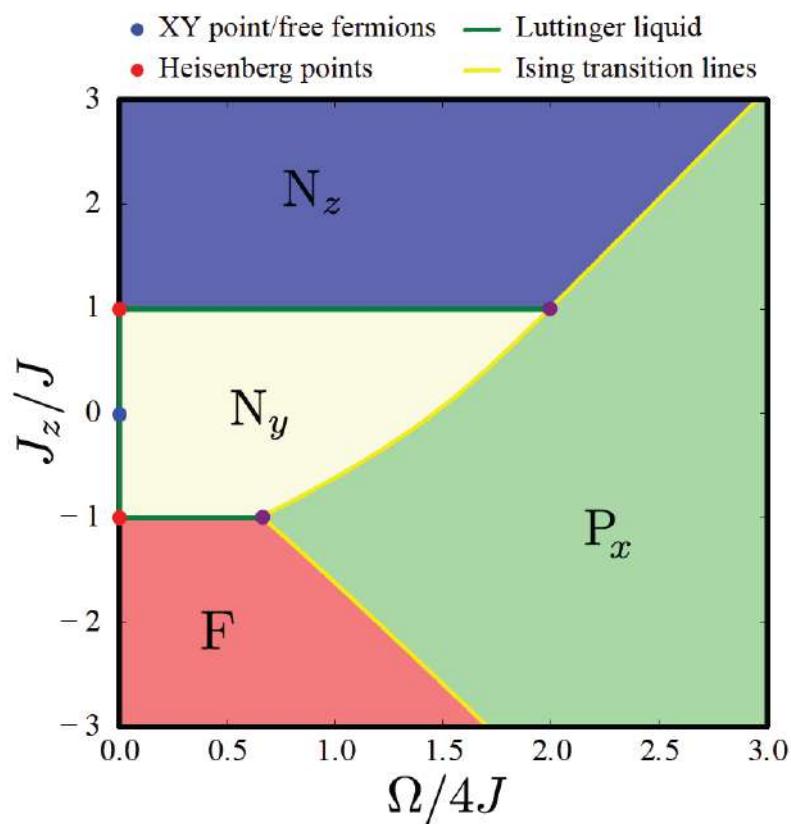
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Collaboration with G. Roux
(LPTMS, Paris Saclay)



DMRG calculations with 40 atoms

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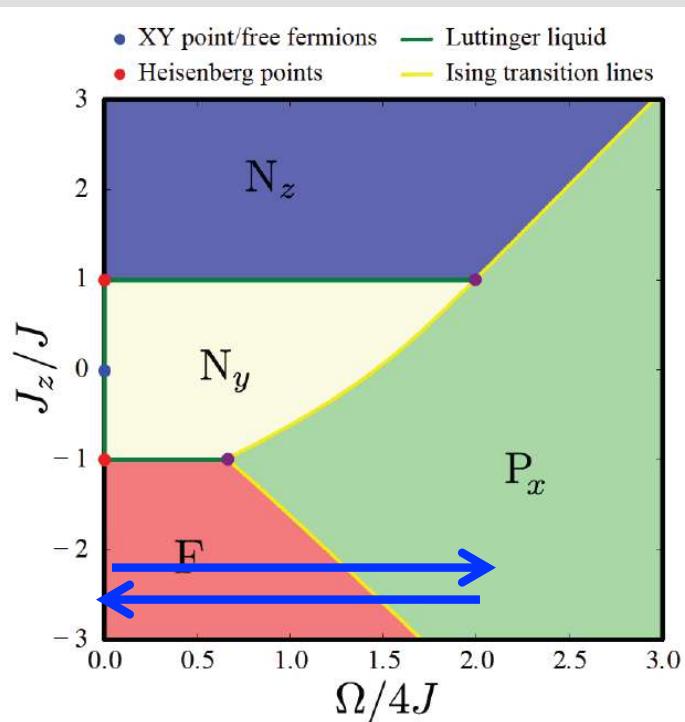
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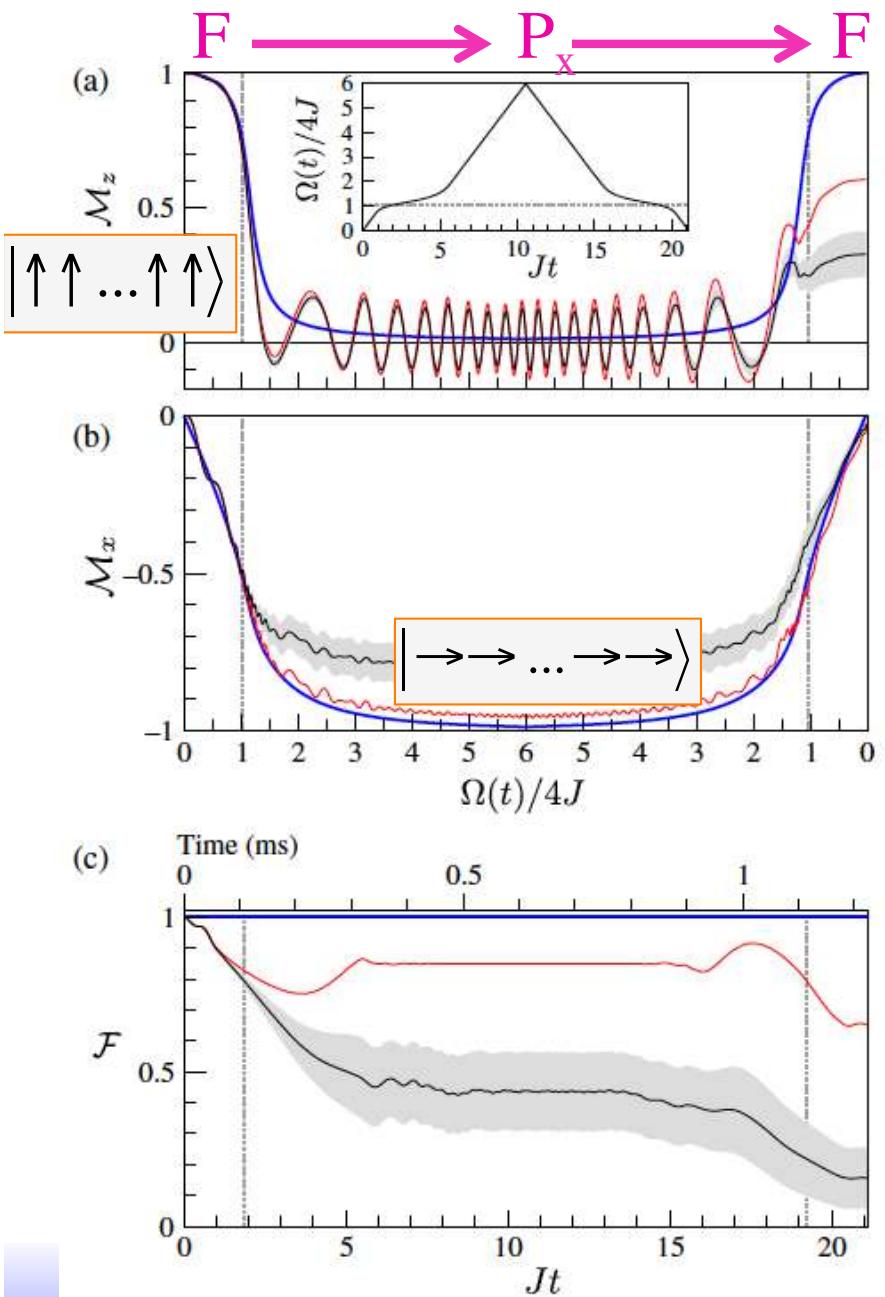


- F: ferromagnetic, all spin // Z
- P: paramagnetic, all spin // X
- $N_{x,y}$: Néel phases, alternated spin up-down along X or Y

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Exact simulation of adiabatic phase transitions



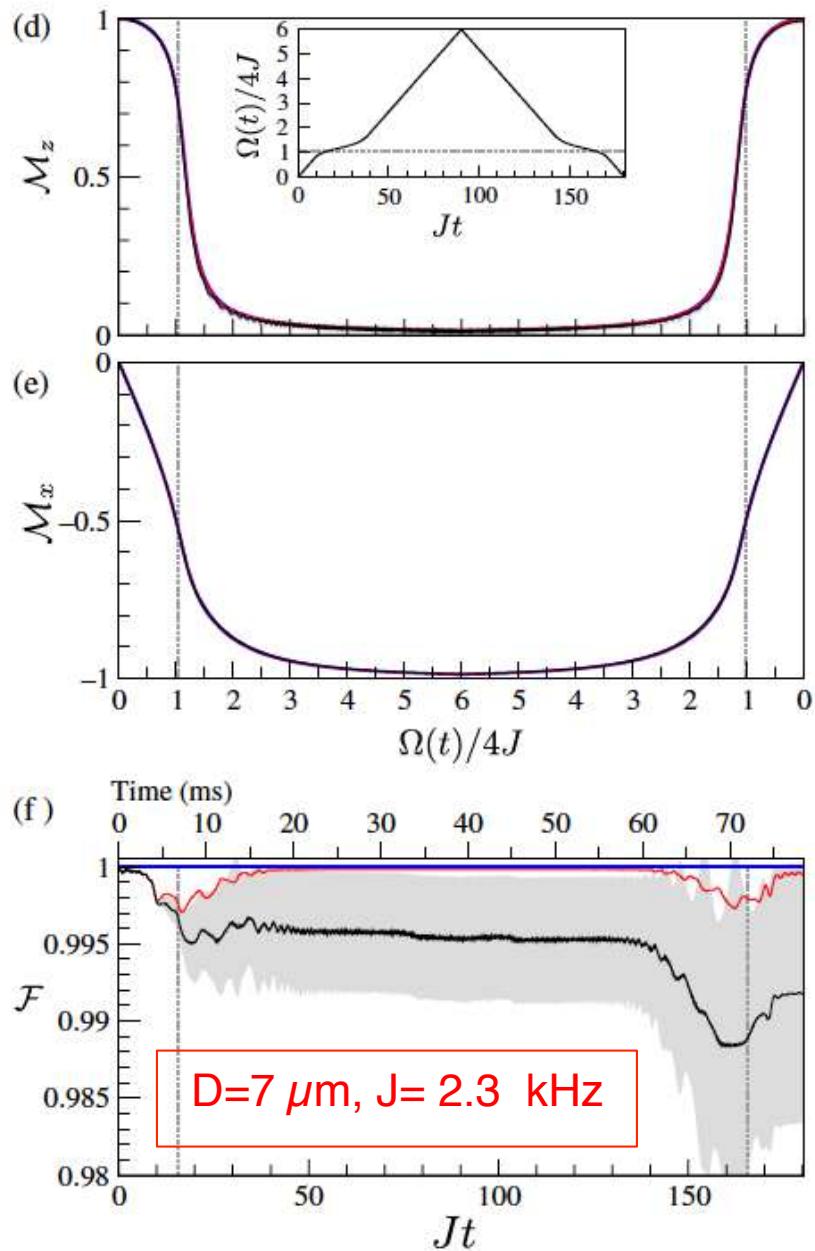
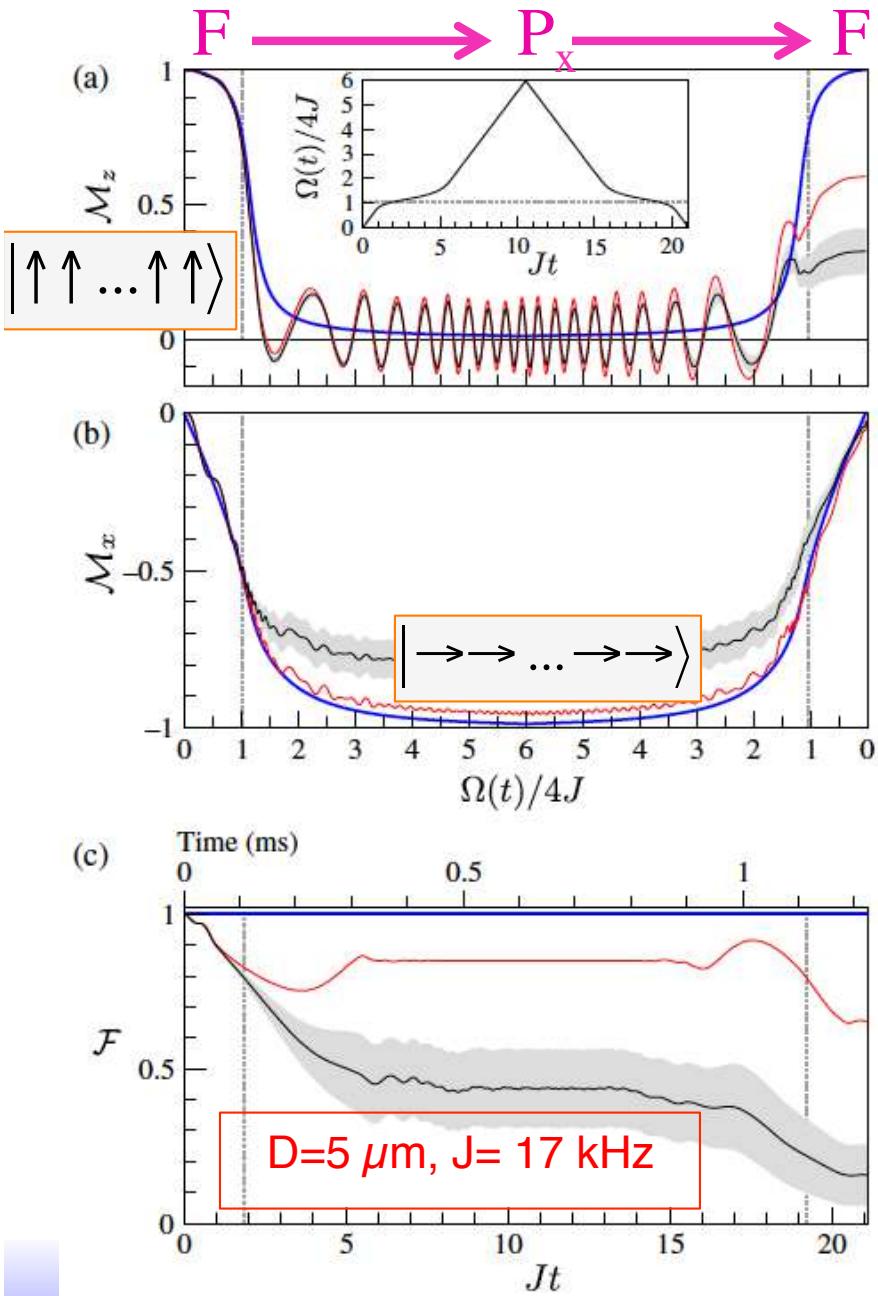
Simulation for 14 spin
Including residual motion

- Exact ground state
- Adiab evol, no motion
- Adiab evol+motion

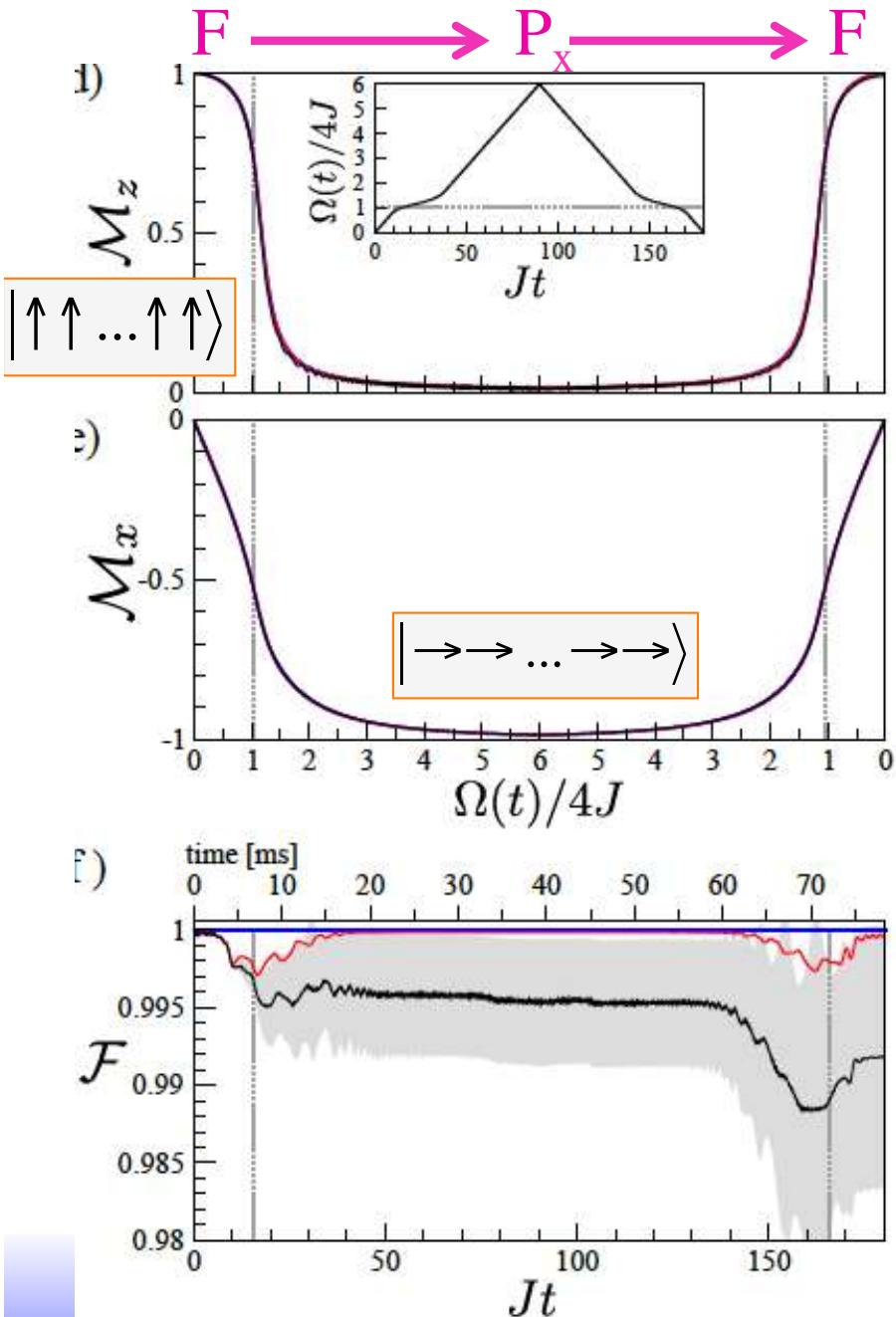
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Simulation for 14 spin
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$d=7 \mu\text{m}, J=2.3 \text{ kHz}$
For slox spin coupling wrt
vibrationnal mo
→ nearly perfect preparation of
phase P_x

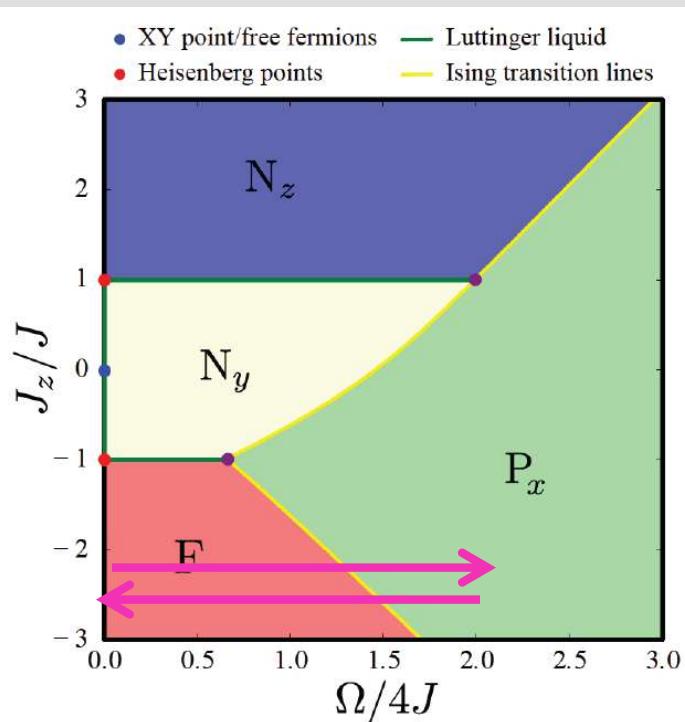
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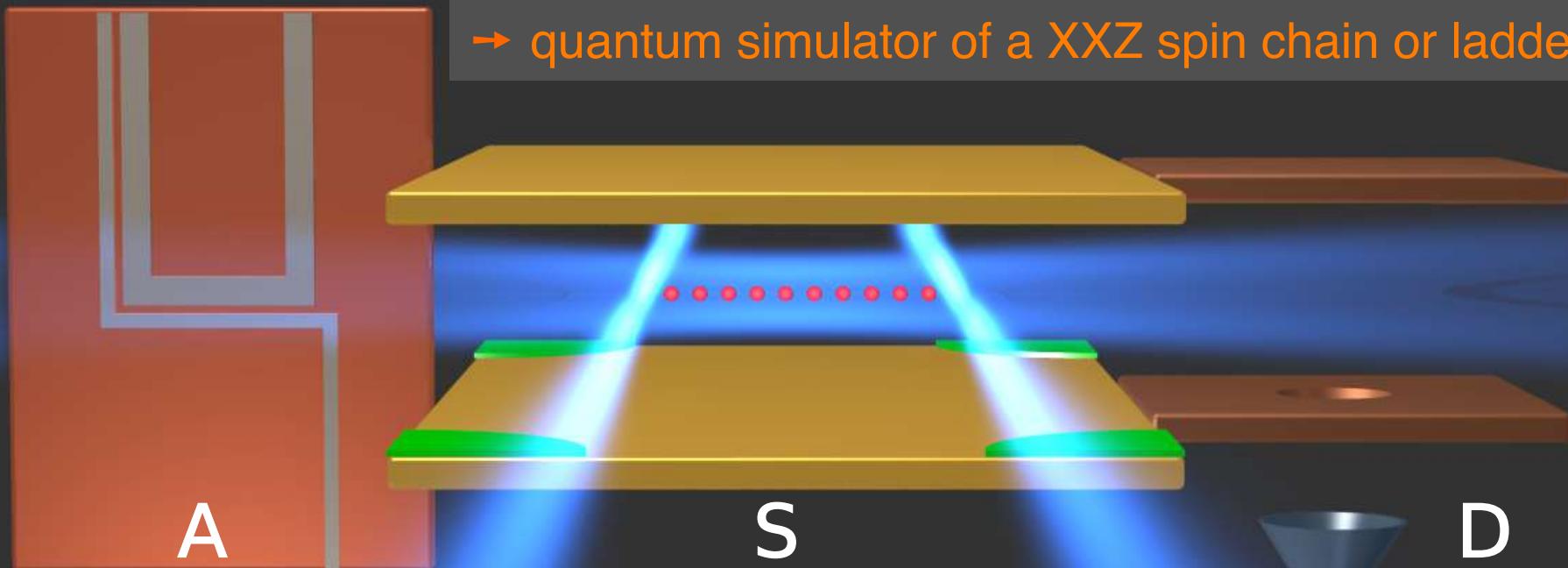
→ study quenches: defects generation (Kibble-Zurek)

→ study transport: MBL with controlled disorder and interactions

→ spin ladder: study Haldane phase of effective spin 1

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General scheme of trapped Rydberg atom simulator



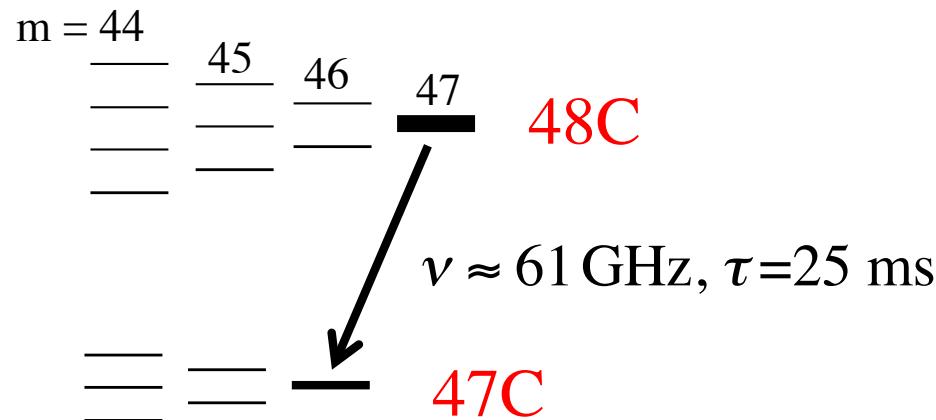
Trapped circular Rydberg atoms

- inhibited spontaneous emission $\tau \approx 1$ min
- ponderomotive laser trap
 - perfect 1D lattice of 40 atoms
- individual detection of atoms
 - quantum simulator of a XXZ spin chain or ladder

Circular Rydberg Atoms (CRA): spontaneous emission inhibition

- CRA decay channel:

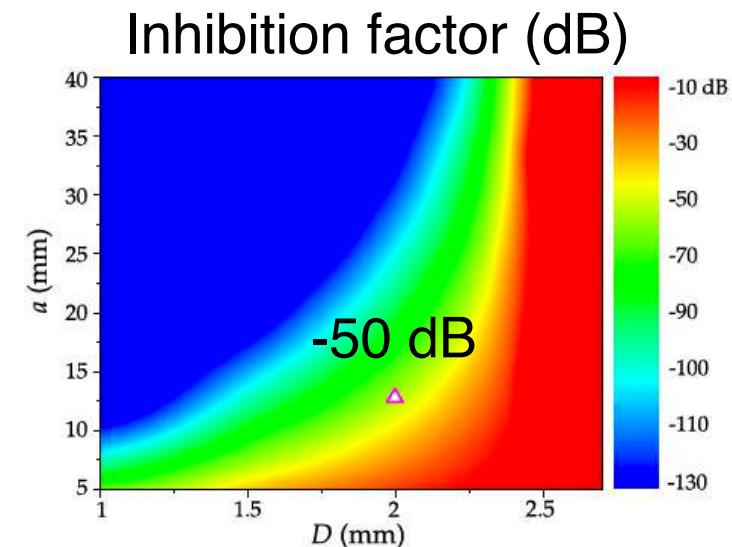
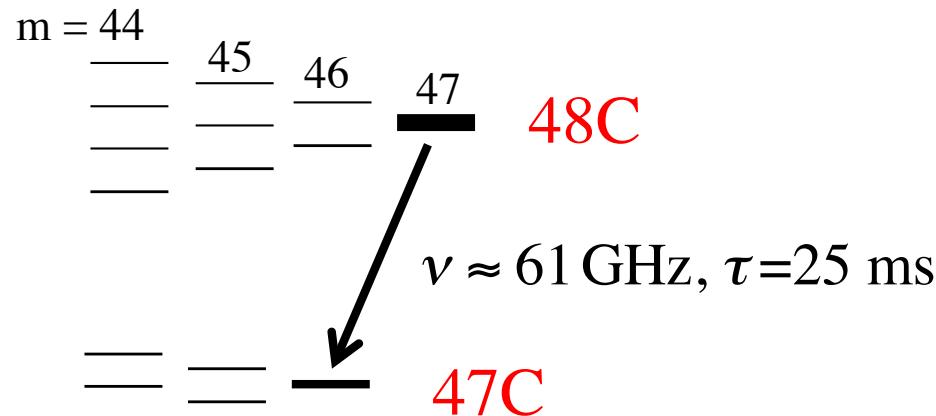
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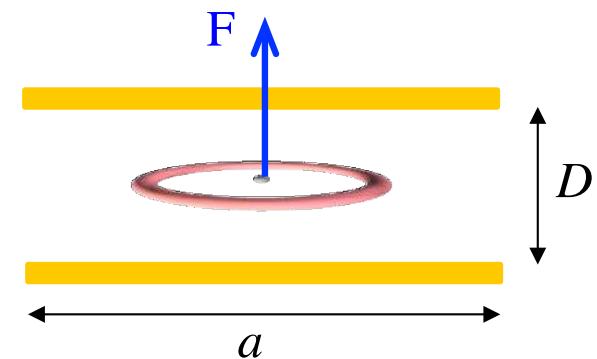
microwave spontaneous emission on a σ^+ transition, **25 ms lifetime for ^{48}C**



- Spontaneous emission inhibition

D. Kleppner Phys. Rev. Lett. 47, 233 (1981)

- Emission inhibited in a capacitor below cut-off.



→ **2500 s life** in a $13 \times 2 \text{ mm}$ capacitor !

laser trapping circular states

S. K. Dutta et al. *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 85, 5551
Raithel group

- Circular states can be laser-trapped !

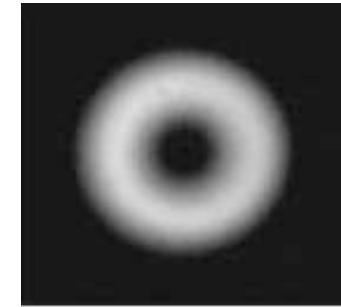
- Ponderomotive electron energy:

- atoms are low-field seekers

- Trapped in vortex beam

- a deep trap

- ~ similar polarizability as ground state Rubidium at $1 \mu\text{m}$ wavelength



- Trapping almost independent of principal quantum number

- Low trap-induced decoherence

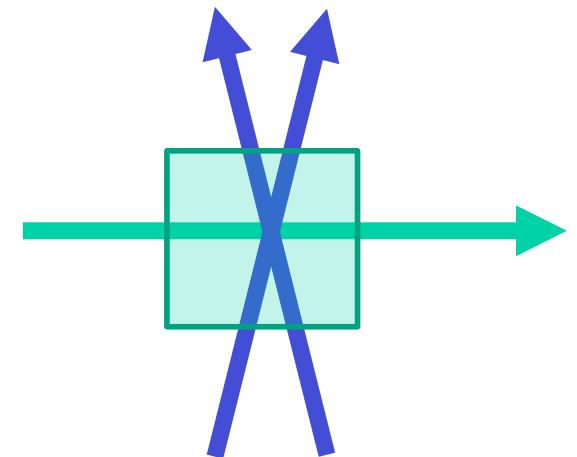
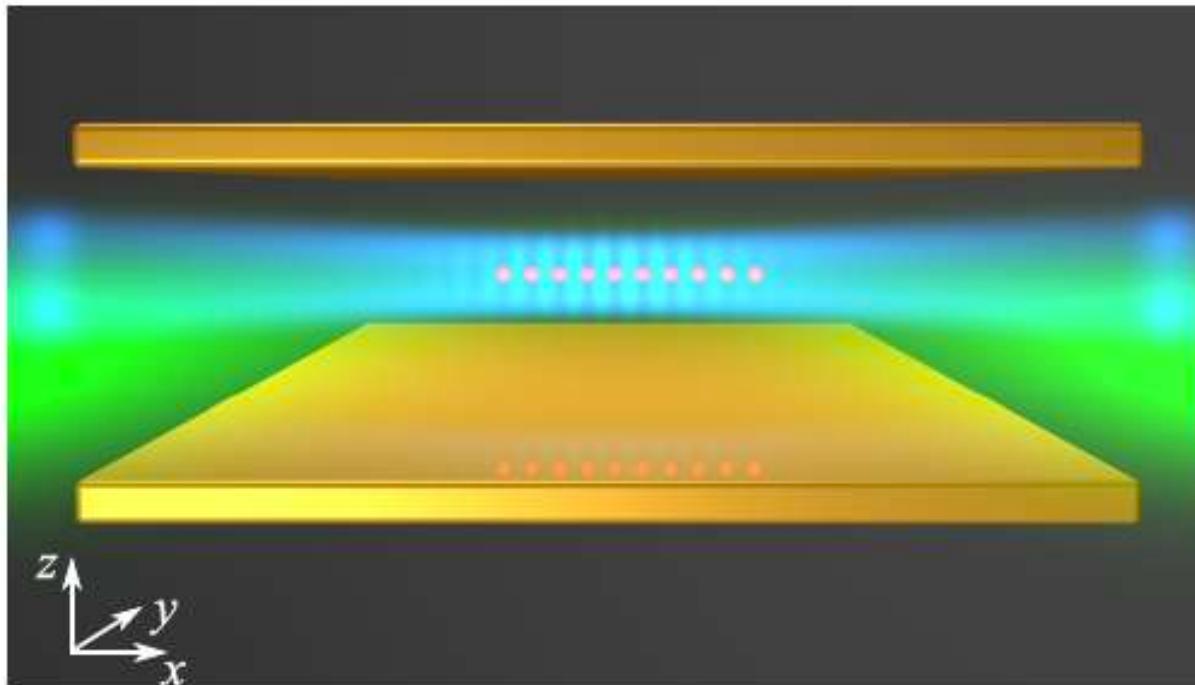
- Impervious to photoionization

- severe limitation for low / states

Saffman et al. Phys. Rev. A 72, 022347

A simple trap geometry for a 1-D lattice

- Trapping lasers at $1 \mu\text{m}$



- LG mode along Ox (transverse trap)
- Two Gaussian beams at a small angle
 - Longitudinal lattice with an adjustable spacing
 - $d = 5$ to $7 \mu\text{m}$
 - 24 kHz longitudinal oscillation frequency

Expected lifetime limit for trapped atoms

Cause	Lifetime (s)
Residual spontaneous emission	2500
Blackbody induced processes	630
Level mixing Two atoms at $d = 5 \mu\text{m}$	88
Dipolar relaxation	∞
Photoionization	∞
Collisions with background gas at 10^{-14} torr	400
Compton elastic diffusion in trap	> 180
Predicted lifetime	47 s

For 50 atoms, less than one atom lost in 1s

This corresponds to 10^4 - 10^5 exchange time

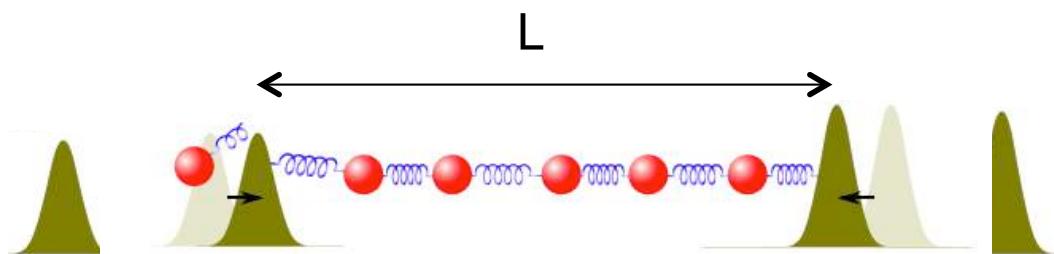
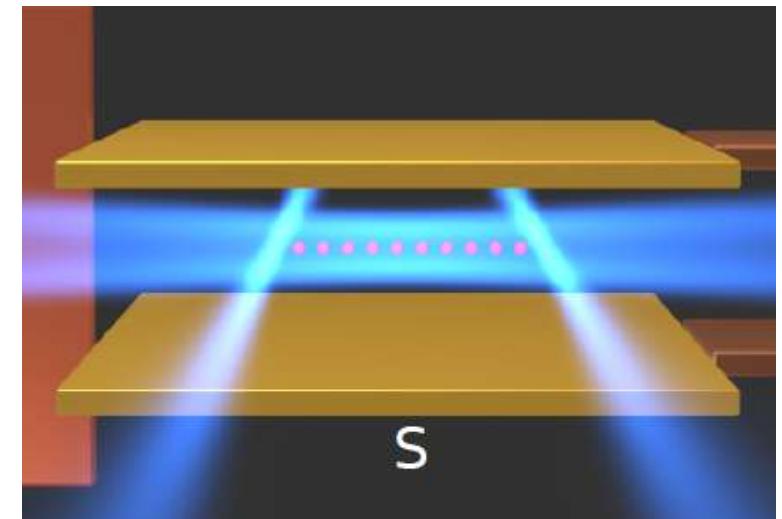
Deterministic chain preparation

- Van der Waals evaporation

- LG and "plug beams trap"
→ One weak, one strong
 - Load ~ 100 circular atoms
 - Compress the trap: atom evaporate
 - Classical simulation

→ Final atom number determined by trap length

Deterministic chain preparation up to ~ 40



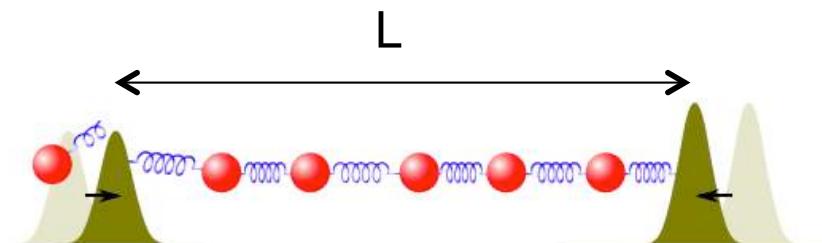
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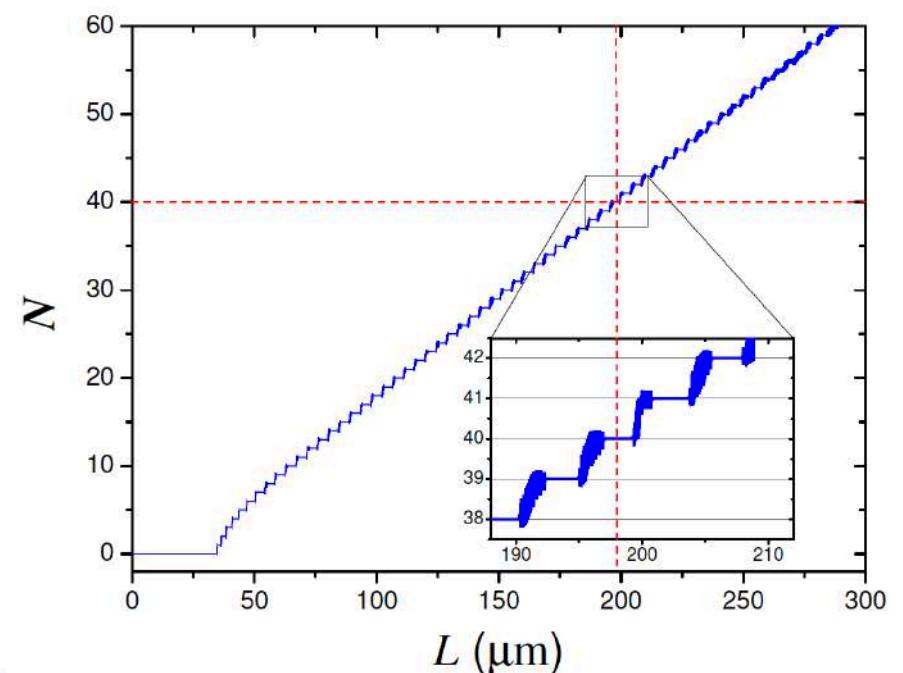
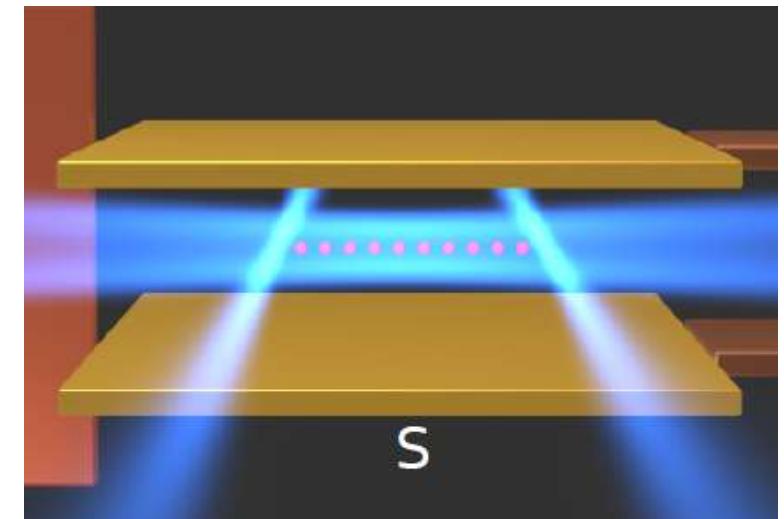
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Deterministic chain preparation up to ~ 40



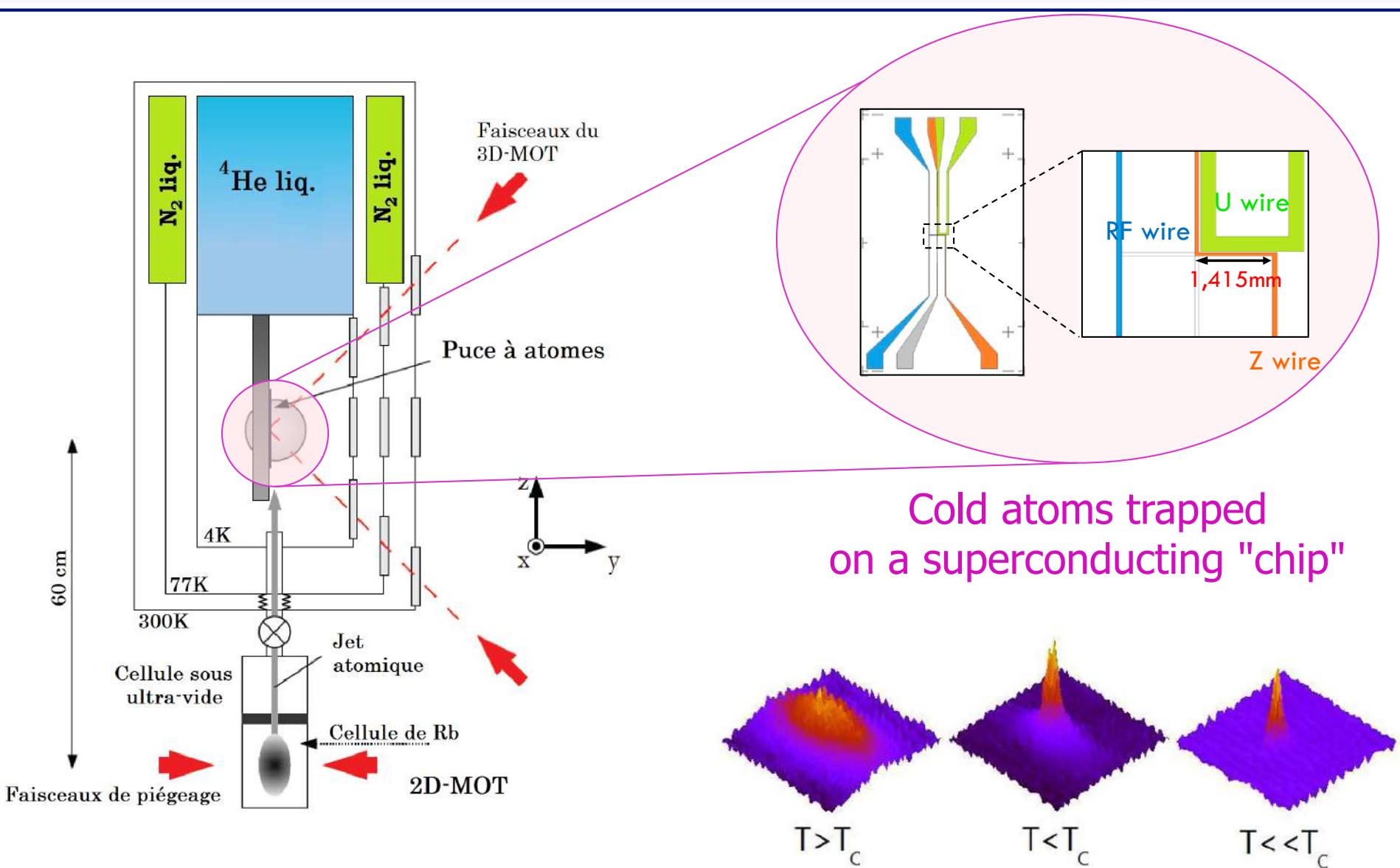
→ Efficient evaporative cooling

Final motion amplitude close to ground state



Thermodynamic description: collab. with David Papoulard (Univ. Cergy)

Present experiment: ultracold Rydberg atoms on a chip

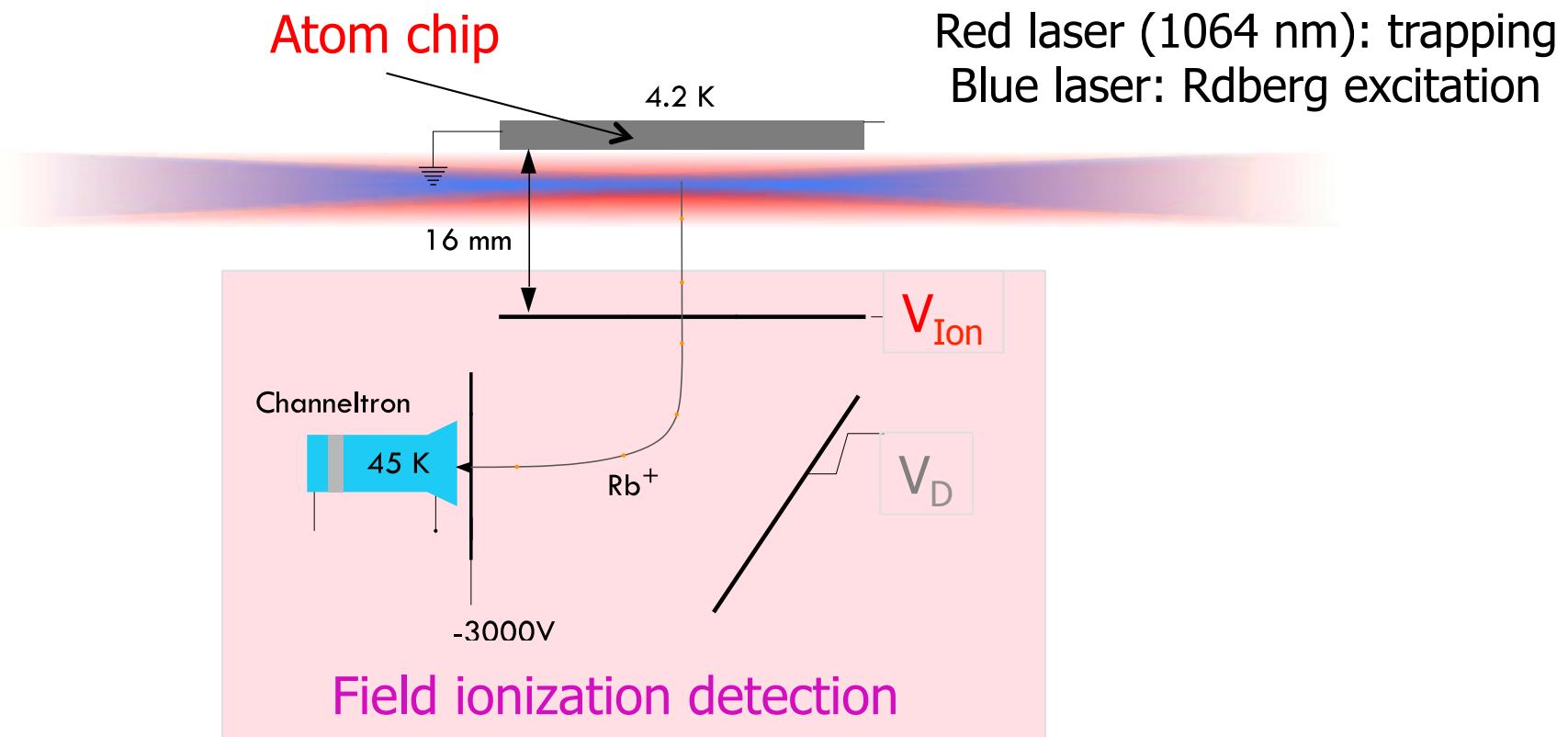


Rubidium atoms → evaporative cooling down to 10^4 atom BEC

Roux et al. EPL 81, 56004 (2008)

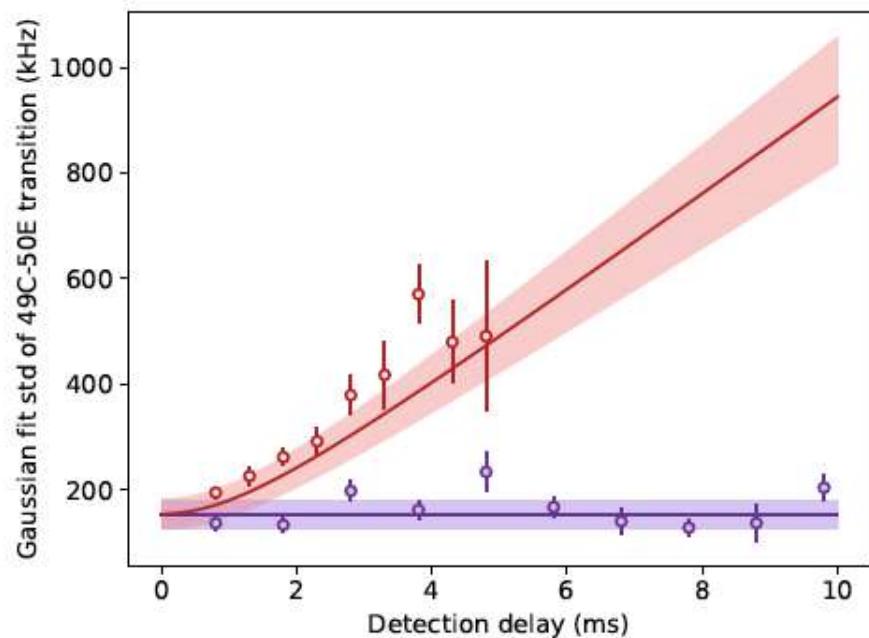
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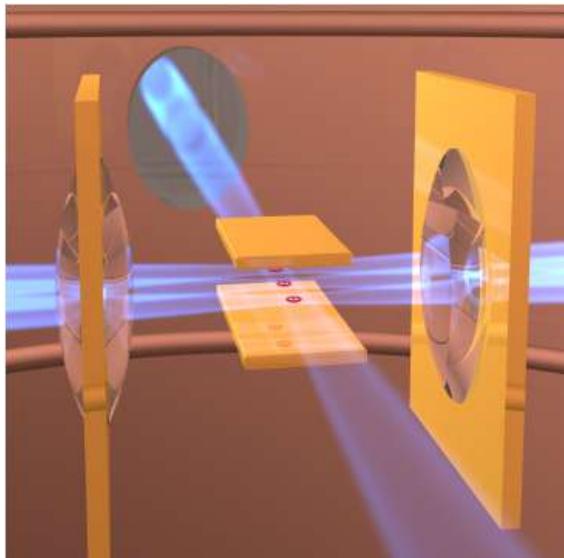
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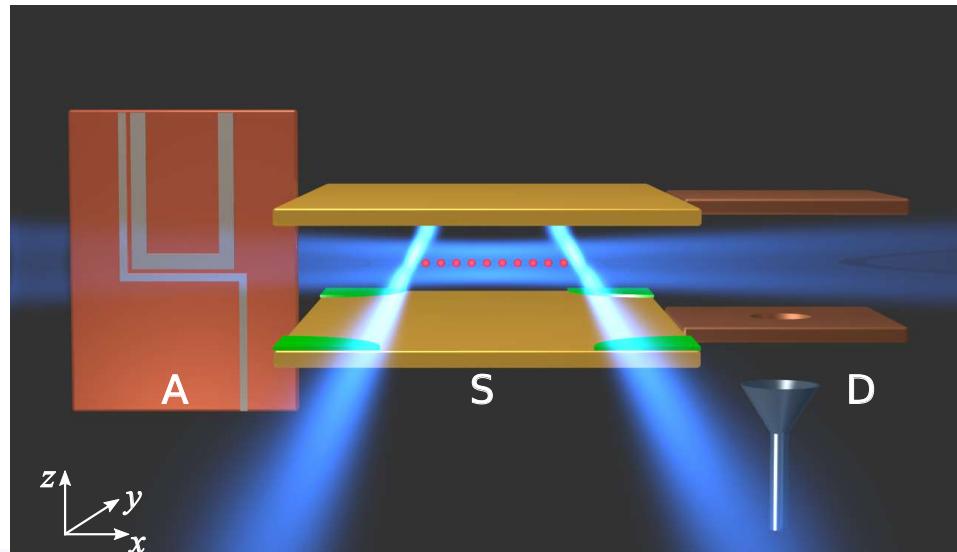


Trapping inhibits
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Trapped Rydberg atoms quantum simulator



1- Simple setup: trapping single CRA in optical tweezers 2D geometry, no control of spontaneous emission



2- Demonstrate 1-10 min inhibition of spontaneous emission for a single trapped atom

3- Put everything together!

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