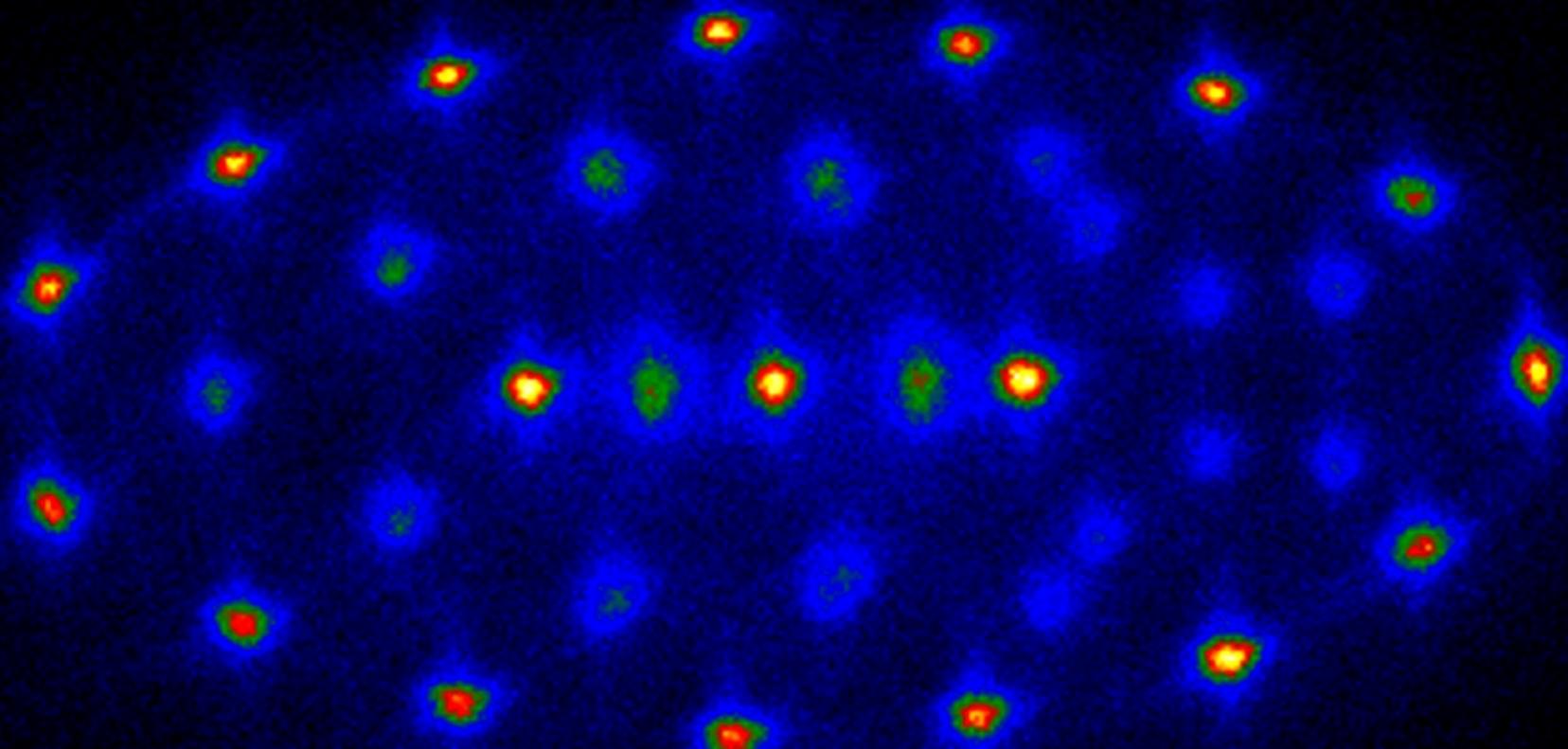


Quantum Simulator



A poor man's quantum computer?

more than one quantum simulator?

(a)addressing different questions

quantum simulator by different systems



universal quantum computer

ions:

+large interaction strength

(kHz not Hz)

@ small decoherence rates

+outstanding initialization /preparation

however¹:

-scalability

-intrinsically (+bosons/ -fermions)

however²:

+dream to combine advantages

(b)addressing identical questions

testing the “non-testable”

Didi's ("2020 visions' Nature **463**, 26-32; 2010)

Some promising technologies have emerged, but verifying a quantum simulation is not straightforward. Do the results demonstrate properties of the simulated model, or are they due to unrelated features of the simulator? At first, this quandary

...

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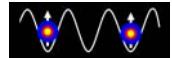
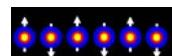
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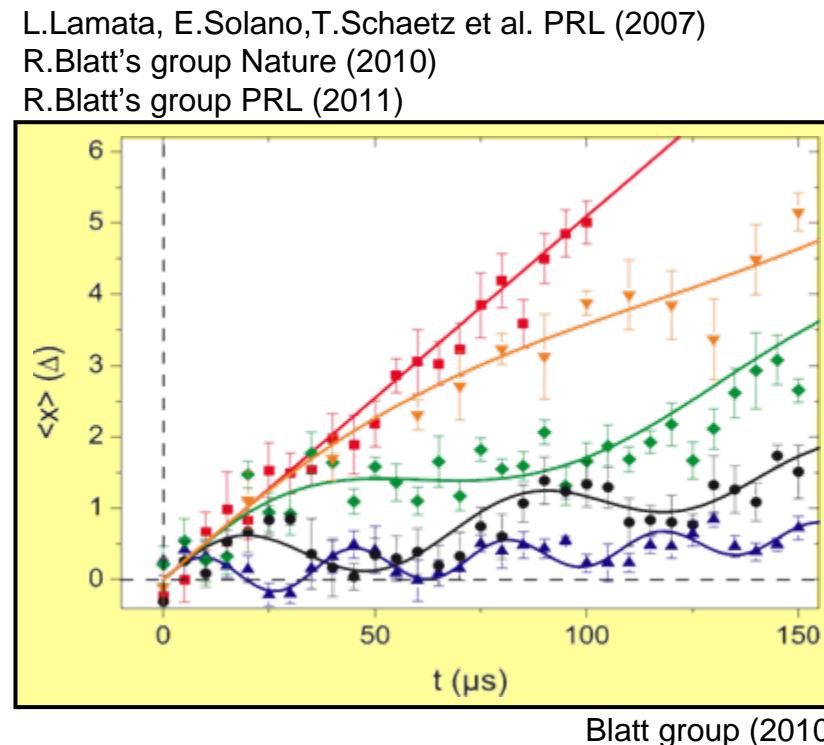
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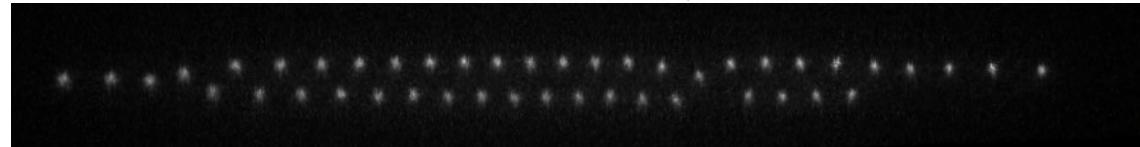
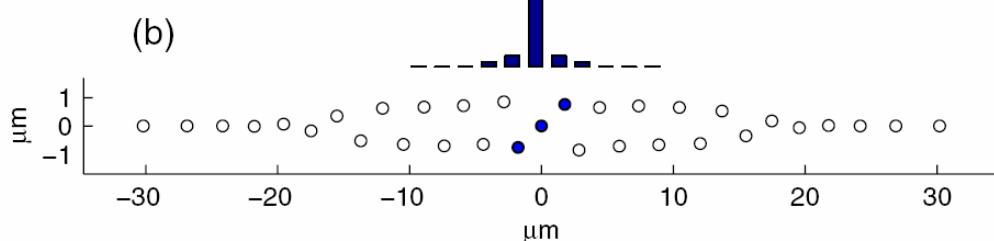
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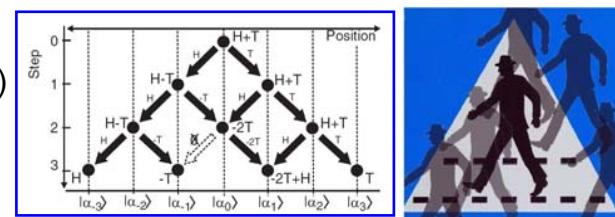
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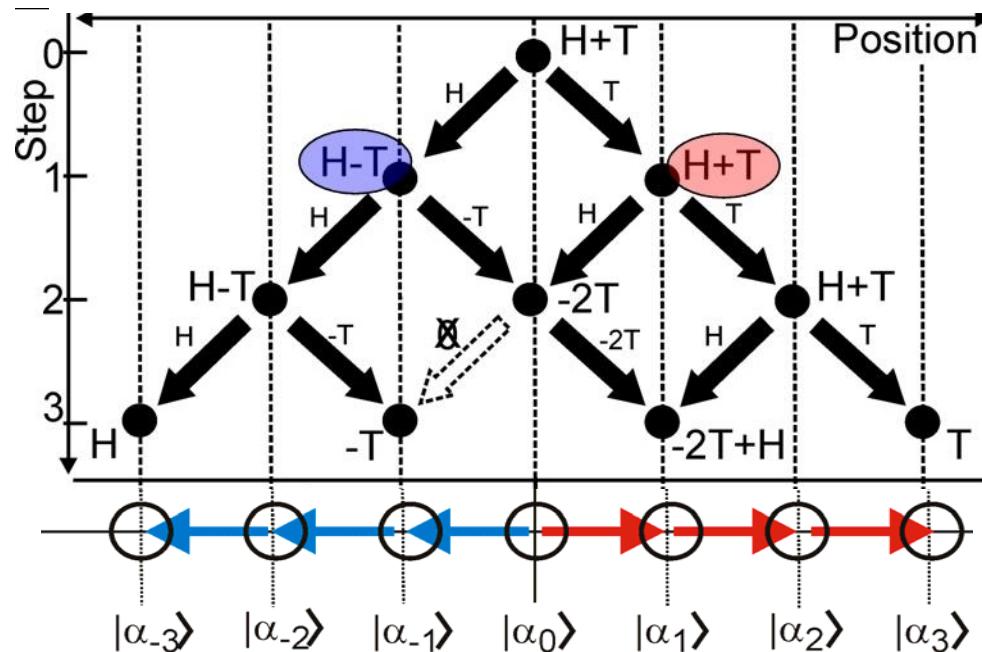
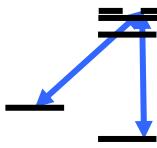
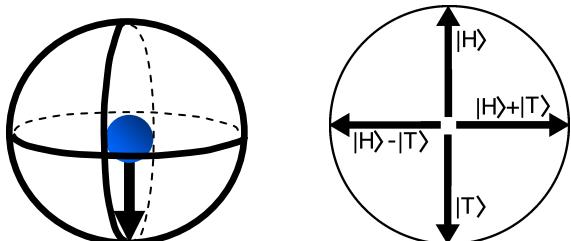
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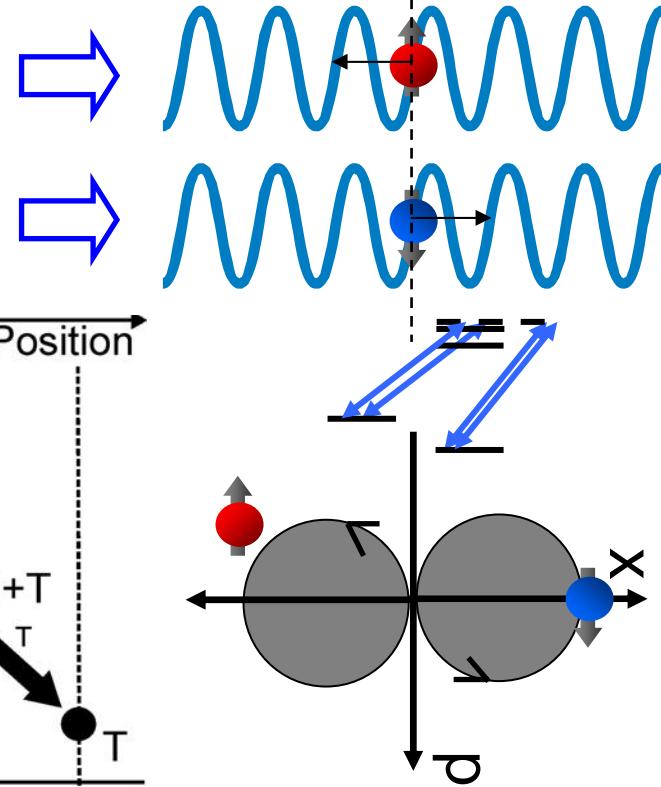
quantum walk

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|----------------------|----------------|-----------|
| (1) qubit | $\hat{\equiv}$ | coin |
| (2) one qubit gate | $\hat{\equiv}$ | coin-flip |
| (3) conditional gate | $\hat{\equiv}$ | step |

coin – operation:

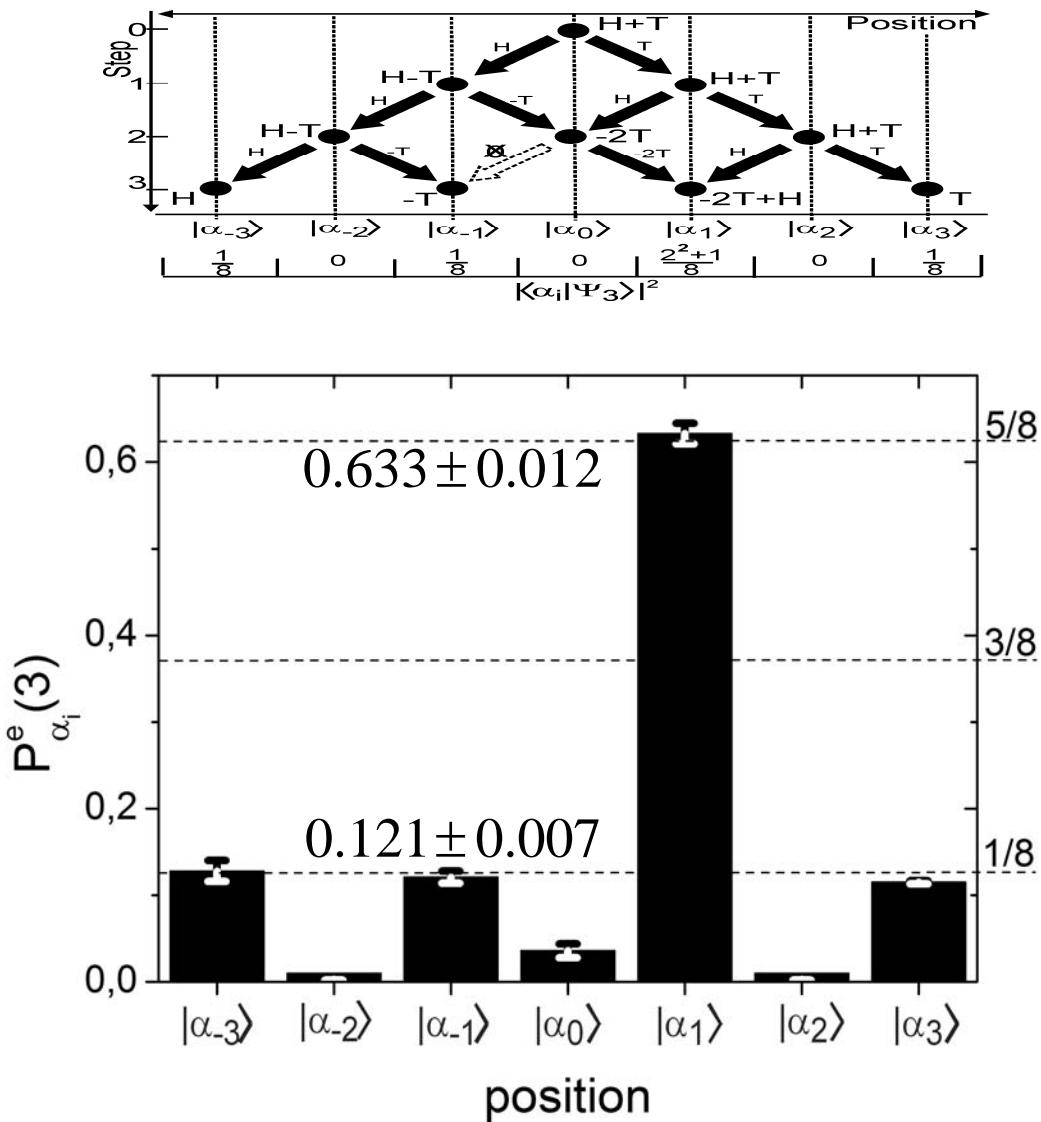


step – operation:



$$|\alpha_i\rangle = e^{-|\alpha_i|^2/2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_i^n}{\sqrt{n!}} |n\rangle$$

quantum walk: results (position space)



$$|\Psi_3\rangle = 1/\sqrt{8} [|H\rangle (|\alpha_{-3}\rangle + |\alpha_1\rangle) + |T\rangle (-|\alpha_{-1}\rangle - 2|\alpha_1\rangle + |\alpha_3\rangle)]$$

[PRL (2009)]

see also: C.Roos et al. Innsbruck [PRL (2009)]

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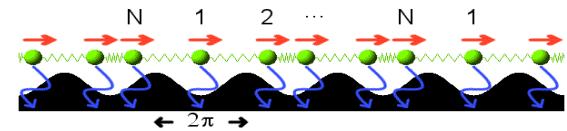
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simulating solid state physics:

Bose-Hubbard model

Spin boson model

quantum spin Hamiltonians
(e.g. quantum Ising
spin frustration)

Anderson localization
three particle interaction

see also Bollinger et al. (+ Thompson & Segal et al.)
beautiful work in Penning traps – Nature 2009

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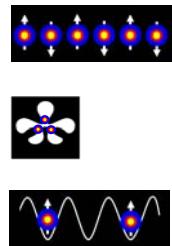
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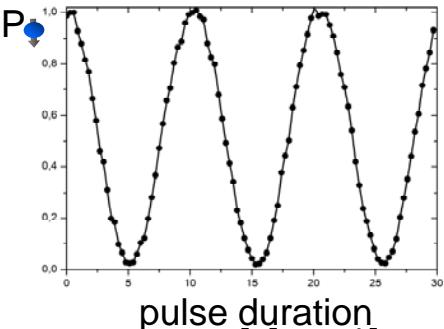
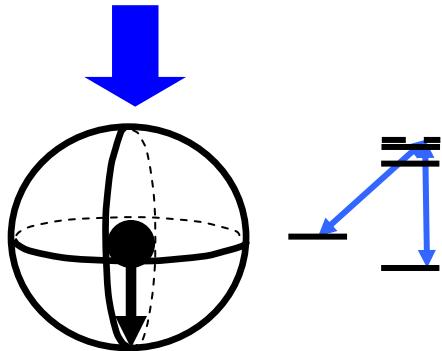
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pick one: simulating quantum-spin-systems

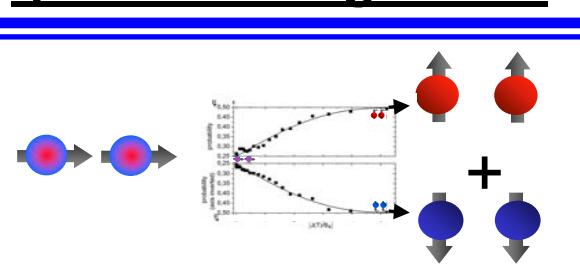
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|--------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| (1) qubit | $\hat{\sigma}$ | spin (σ) |
| (2) one qubit gate | $\hat{\sigma}^x$ | spin-flip (B-field) |
| (3) two qubit gate | $\hat{\sigma}_i \hat{\sigma}_j$ | spin-spin (J) |

spin-flip (B-field):



$$H = -B^x \sum_i \sigma_i^x + J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z$$

quantum Ising model



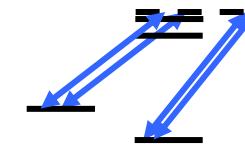
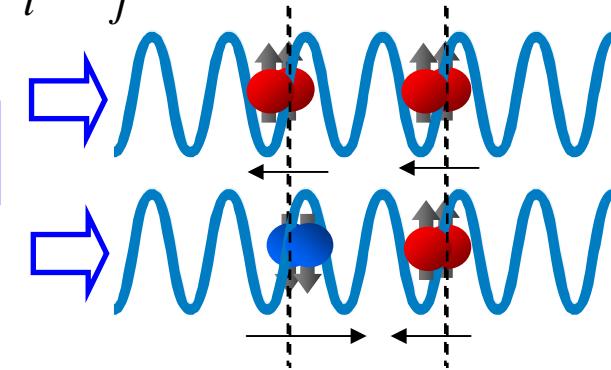
$$J^x \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \sigma_i^x \sigma_j^x + J^y \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \sigma_i^y \sigma_j^y$$

XY model

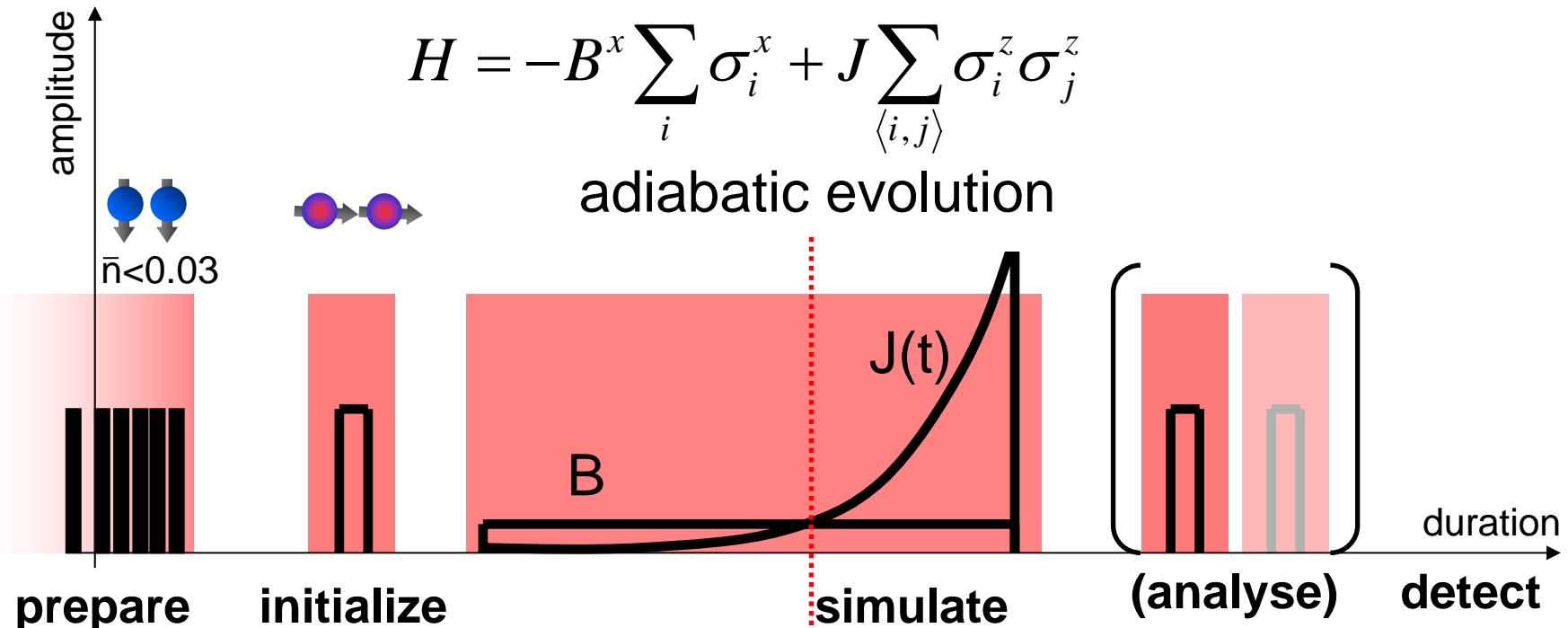
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Heisenberg model

spin-spin (J):



quantum magnet



ground state



$$B^x \sum_i \sigma_i^x$$

$$| J / B^x | = 1$$

ground state



$$J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z$$

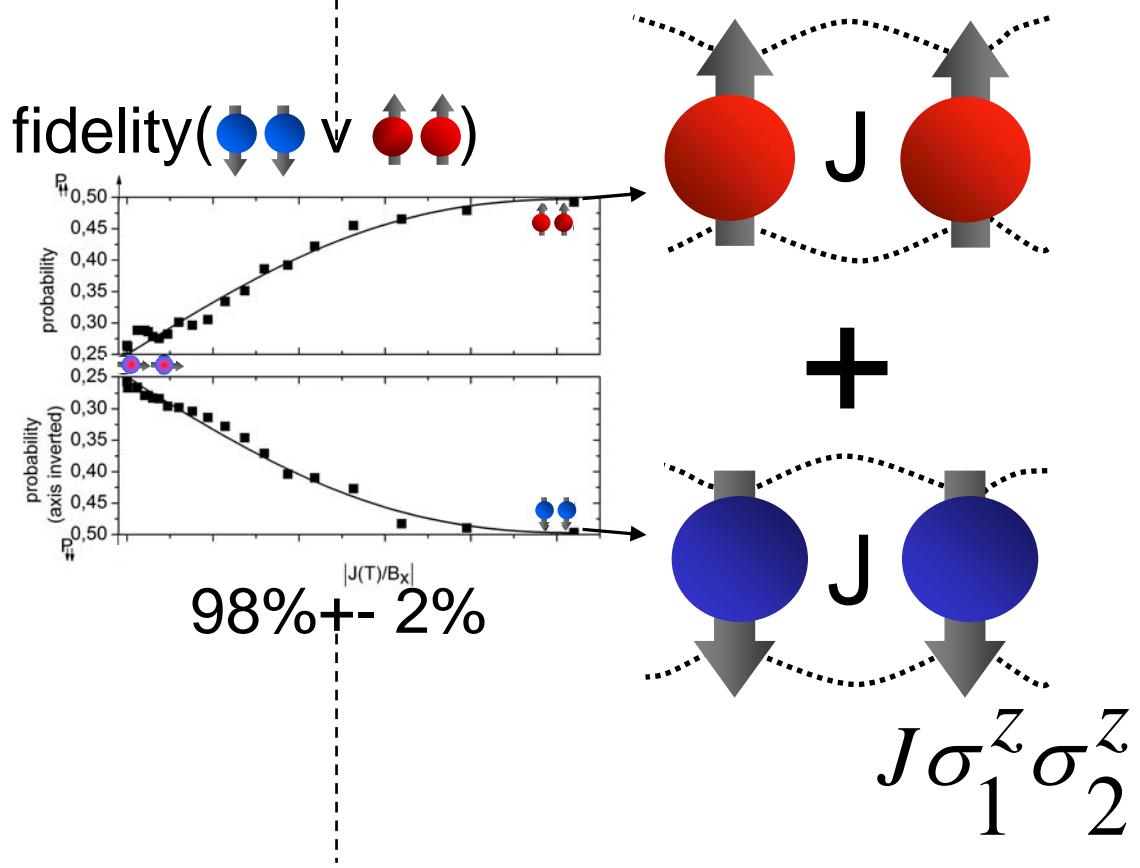
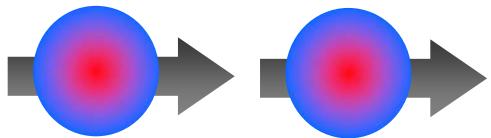
summary: what's up spins?

$$H = -B^x \sum_i \sigma_i^x + J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z$$

B_x

J_{\max}

adiabatic transition:



$$\rightarrow -B^x(\sigma_1^x + \sigma_2^x)$$

simulating a quantum magnet in an ion trap

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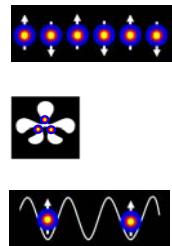
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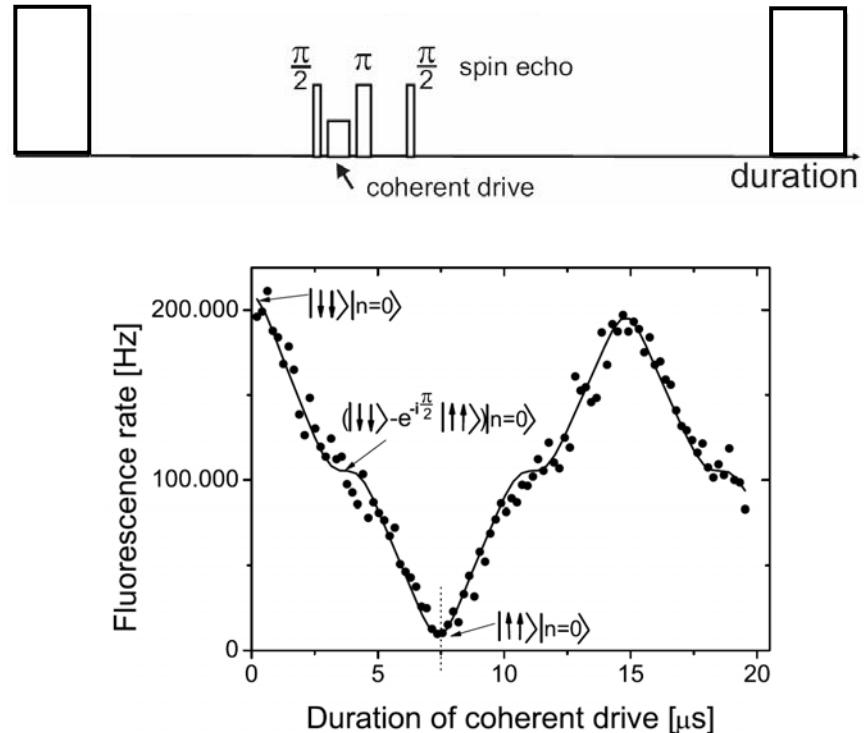
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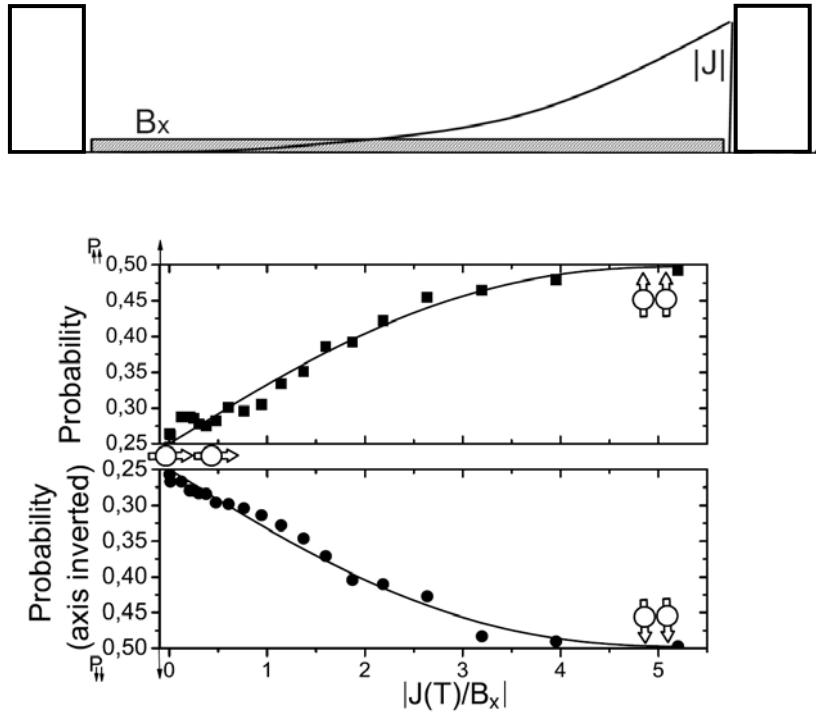
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computing versus adiabatic simulation



- stroboscopic pulses (!t!)
- non equilibrium (oscillation)
- error correction (e.g. spin echo)
- decoherence = error
- 1.1 dimensional trap network



- continuous evolution (J and B)
- equilibrium (adiabatic)
- robust (inherent correction)
- decoherence = ?nature?
- 2 dimensional trap-lattice

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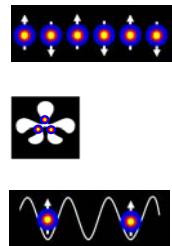
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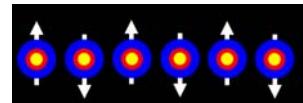
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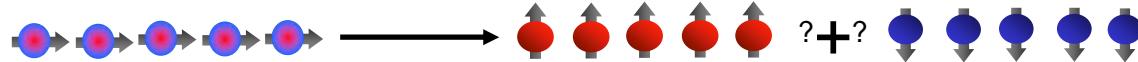
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investigate/exploit decoherence

→robust:

reduced impact of decoherence (e.g. quantum phase transitions?)



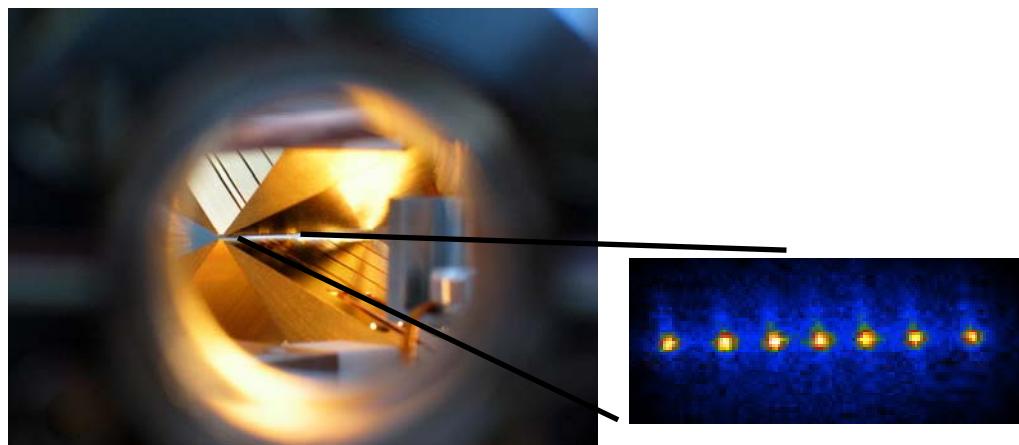
→gadget:

engineered decoherence (e.g. simulate “natural” noise?)



→necessary:

enhanced (quantum) efficiency by decoherence (e.g. in biological systems?)



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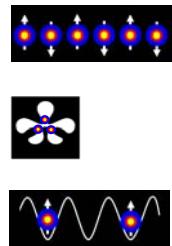
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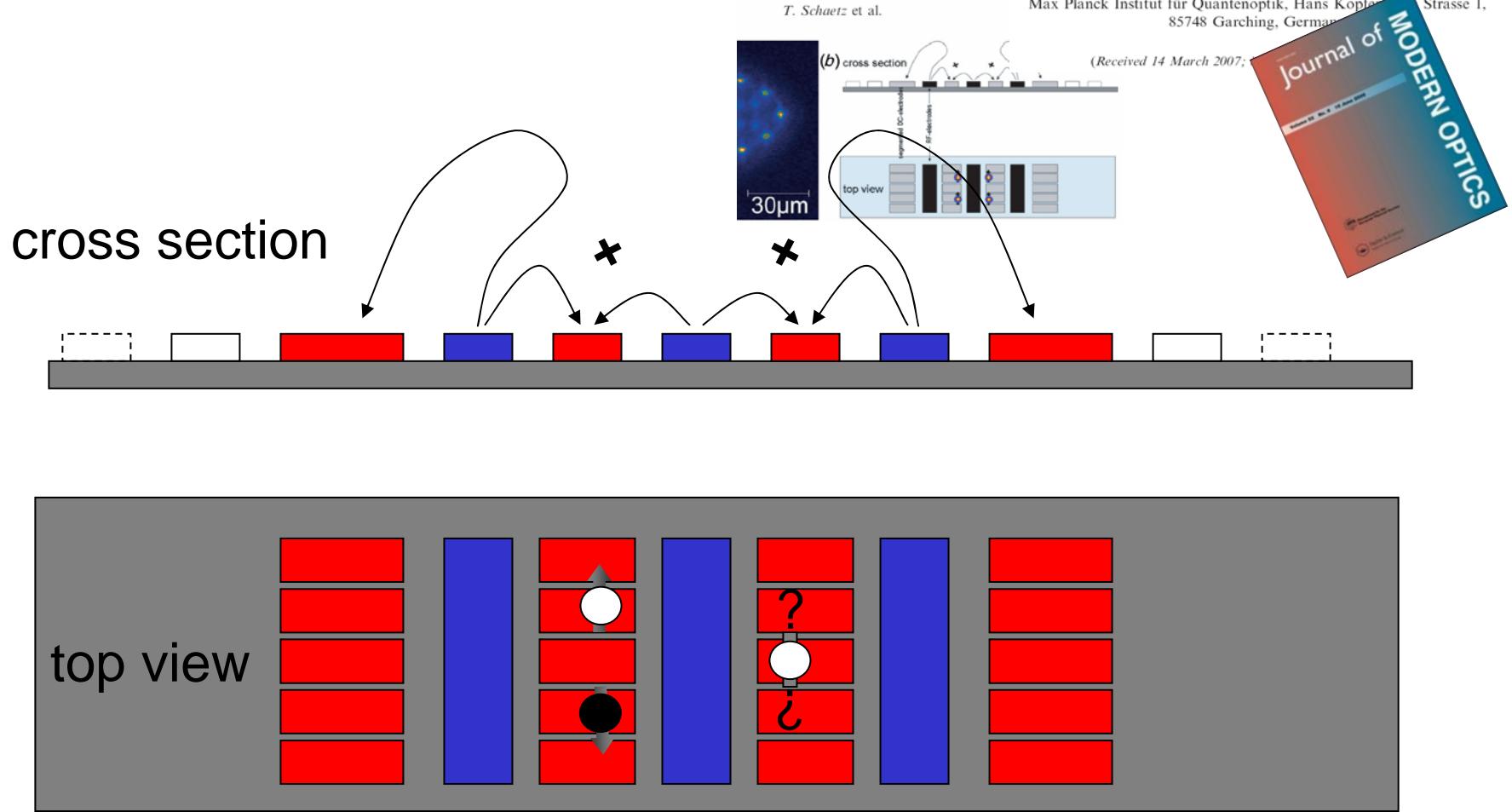


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→ extend into second dimension (arrays of ions)

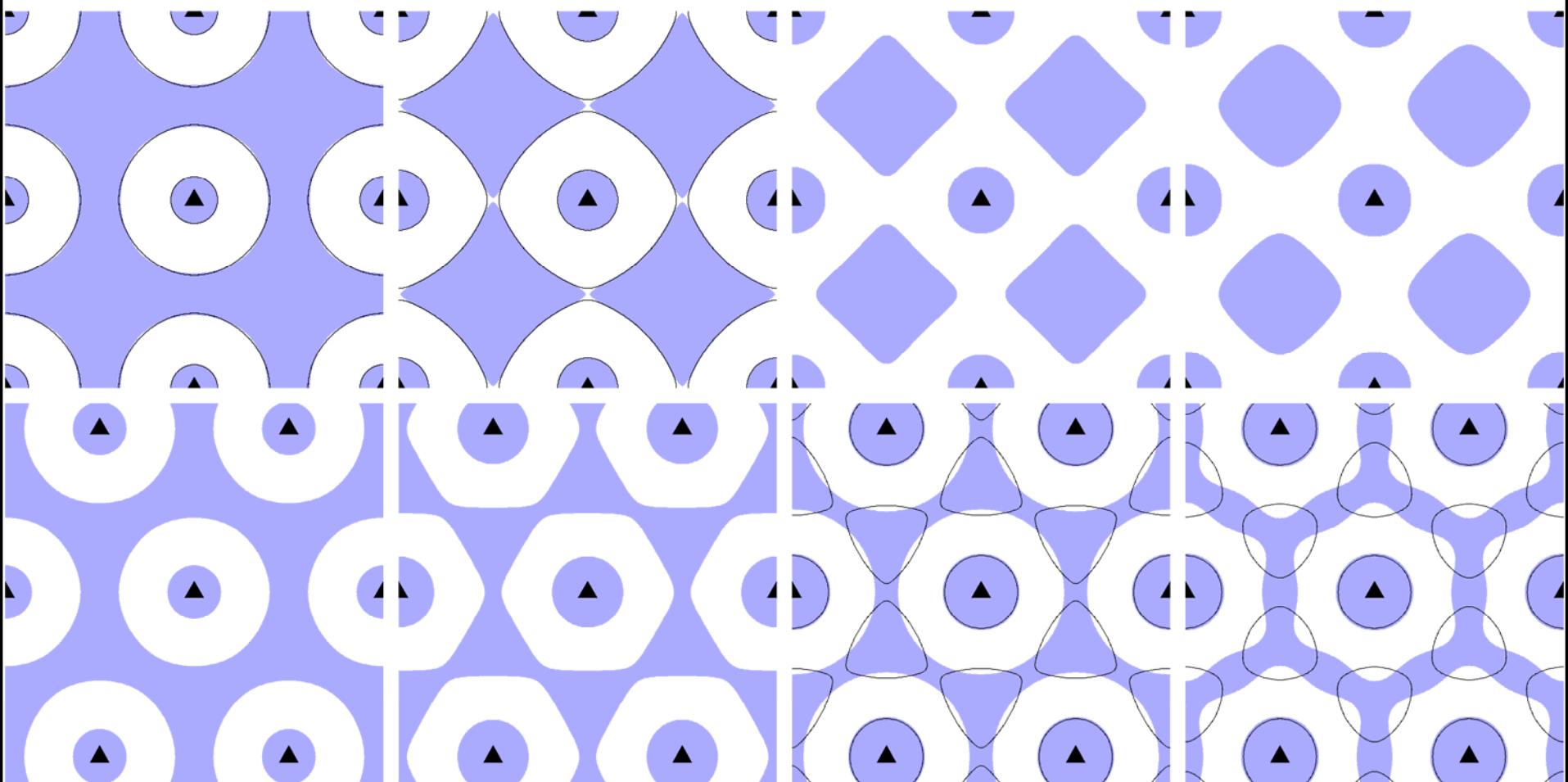
→ optimize architecture for quantum simulations (no cryogenics, large $J_{\text{spin/spin}}$)

→ (potentially without lasers)

trapology –theory - scaling

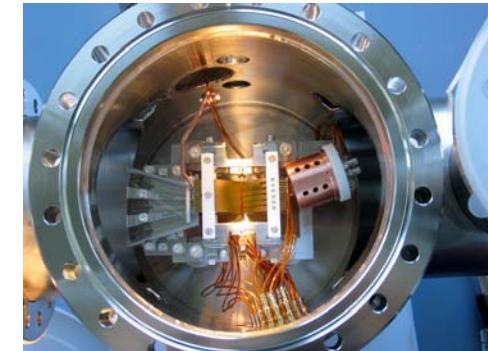
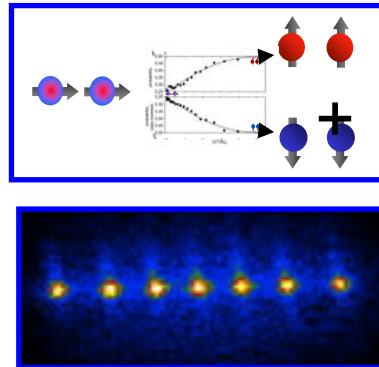
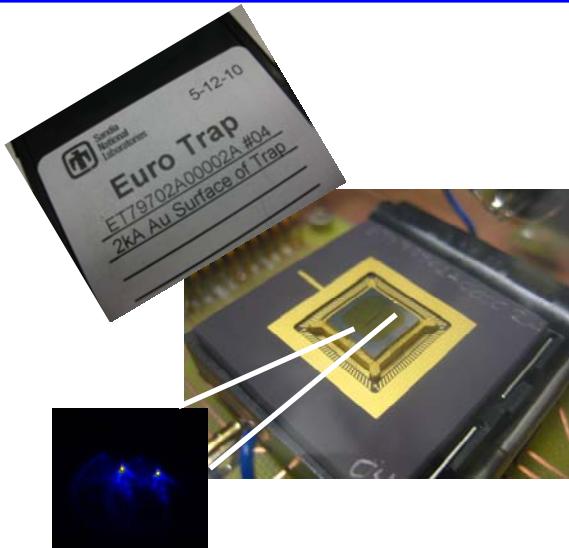
quadratic lattice

Schmied,Wesenberg, Leibfried PRL(2009)



triangular lattice – collaboration: R.Schmied, NIST, Sandia

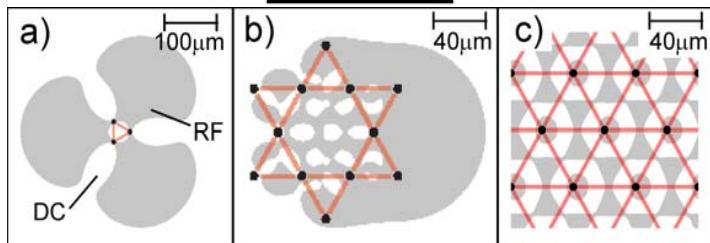
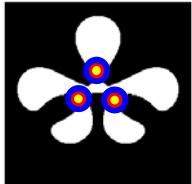
ion trapper's perspective



main challenge:

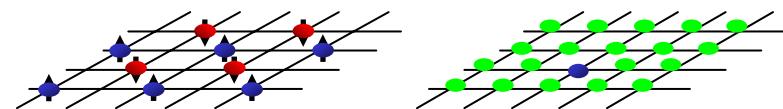
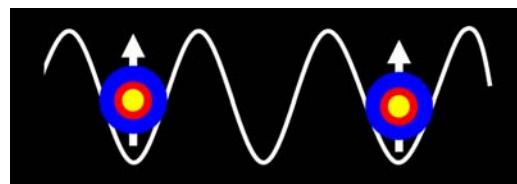
Jan 2011: trapping ions scaling to many ions/spins
in SANDIA'S surface trap

→ ions in 2D rf-surface traps



2010: optically trapping an ion
+ion trapped in 1D optical lattice

→ ions (atoms) in optical lattices



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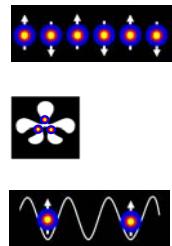
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sharing advantages of ions and optical lattices:

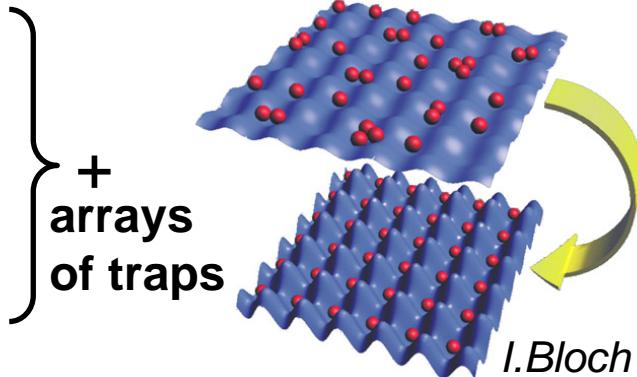
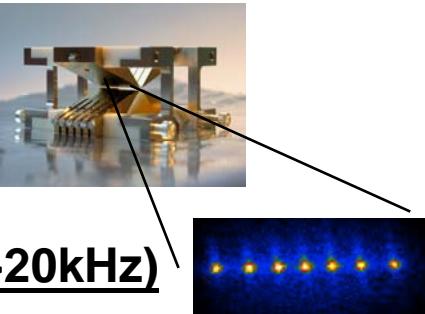
for 60 years:
ions in radio frequency fields

for 30 years:
atoms in optical fields

→ individual addressability

→ operations of high fidelity (>99%)

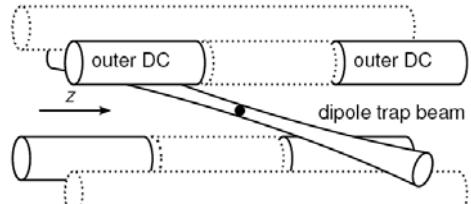
→ long range interaction ($J_{\text{spin/spin}} > 20 \text{ kHz}$)



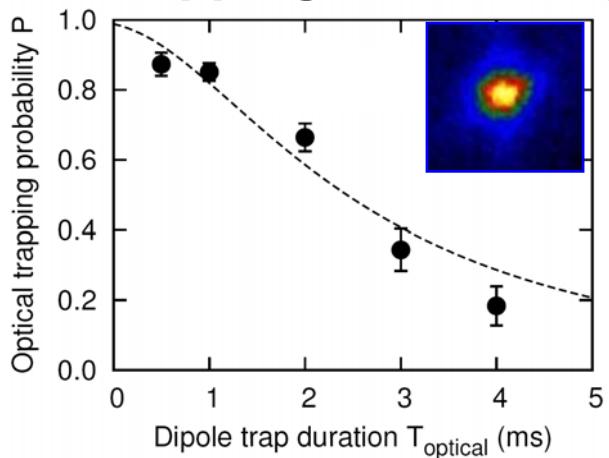
should not compete but complete

first step in our lab: trapping an ion in optical dipole trap*

- loading and cooling in rf-trap
- dipole trap on / rf-trap off



- detection in rf-trap



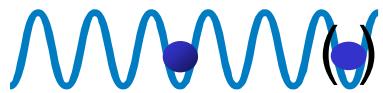
- lifetime limited by recoil heating only
- several 100s of oscillations in optical potential
- loading via rf-trap without heating
- ion trapped in optical lattice

*Nature Photonics (2010)

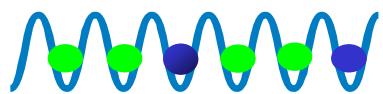
optical dreaming



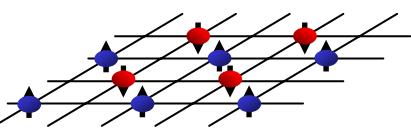
scaling quantum simulations with ions (atoms) in an optical lattice



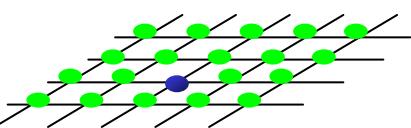
trapping and cooling ion(s) in (hybrid) optical lattice



atoms and ions in common 1D optical lattice^{*1}
(e.g. electron tunnelling)

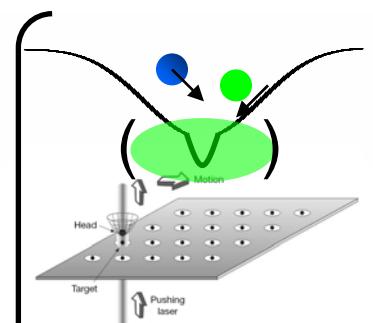


→ ions/spins in 2D/3D optical lattice^{*1}
(old QS)



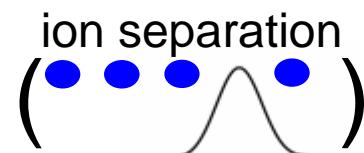
→ atoms and ion(s) in common 2D/3D optical lattice^{*1}
(new QS)

^{*1}priv. com. I.Cirac and P.Zoller



→ atom and ion in common optical trap
(no micromotion)

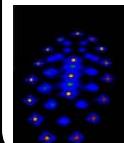
universal quantum computing
pushing gate^{*2} for ions in optical trap array



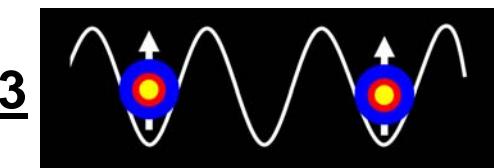
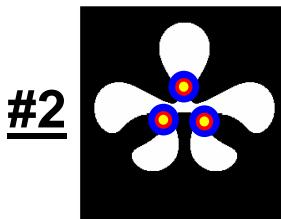
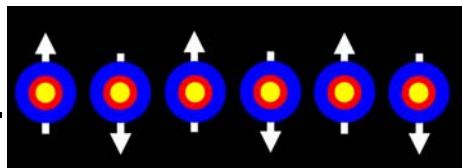
+ hybrid (Coulomb crystal in RF + optical lattice^{*2})

^{*2}Nature: Cirac,Zoller (2010)

^{*3}NJP: Cirac group (2008)



summary: novel physics



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decoherence \neq error

scaling quantum simulations in ion traps

→ how to mitigate,
how to exploit it
(chemistry/biology)

→ how to investigate
(mesoscopic) decoherence

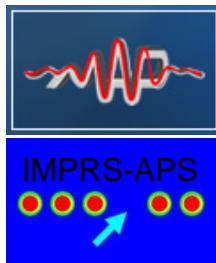
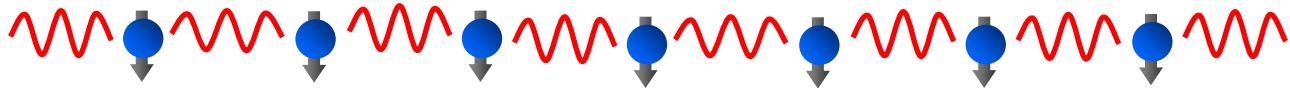
→ proof of principle on
ions (and atoms) for
quantum simulations

bridging the gap
(proof of principle studies and “useful” QS)

→ outperforming classical computation
→ deeper understanding of quantum dynamics (10x10 spins)

investigate the impact on:

- **solid state physics** (magnets, ferroelectrics, quantum Hall, high T_c)
(quantum phase transitions, spin frustration, spin glasses,...)
- **quantum information processing / quantum metrology**
- **cold chemistry** (cold collisions)
- ...



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