

Rydberg atoms in optical tweezers

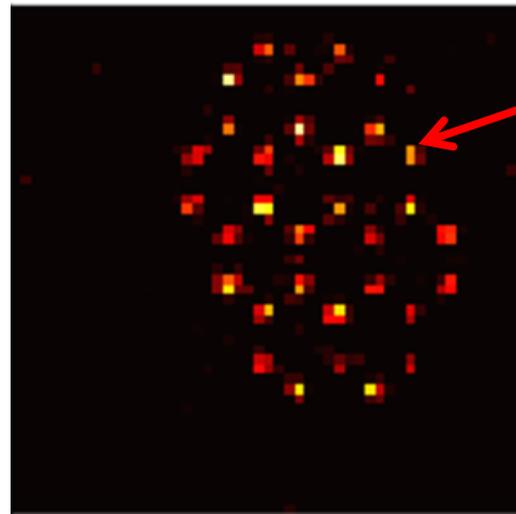
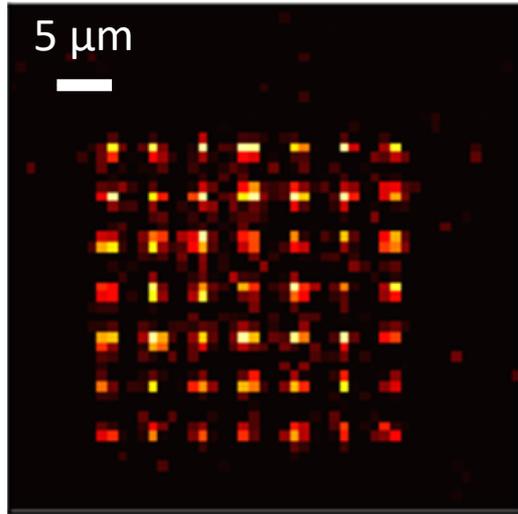
Lecture 1: Dipolar interactions between atoms

Lecture 2: Arrays of atoms. Basics of Rydberg physics.
Rydberg blockade

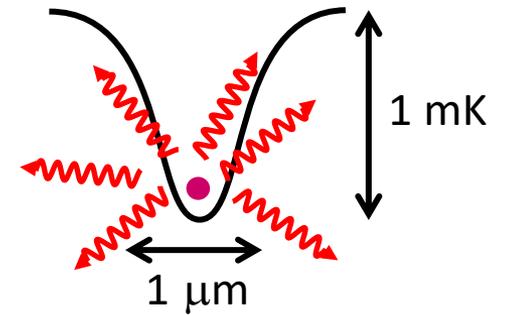
Lecture 3: Many-body physics with Rydberg atoms:
spin models and transport

[Review](#): A. Browaeys, T. Lahaye, Nature Physics **16**, 132 (2020)

Recap lecture 2: tweezer, arrays & Rydberg

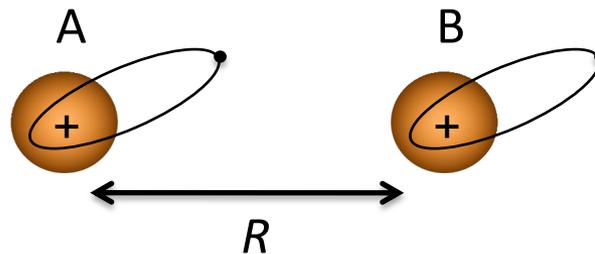


1 Rb atom
(fluorescence)



Grangier (2001)
Sortais (2007)

Rydberg interactions



Van der Waals

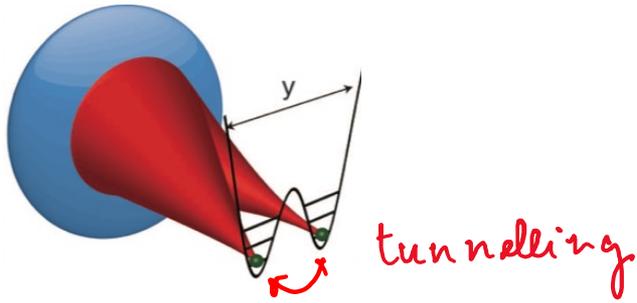
$$\frac{C_6}{R^6}$$

resonant

$$\frac{C_3}{R^3}$$

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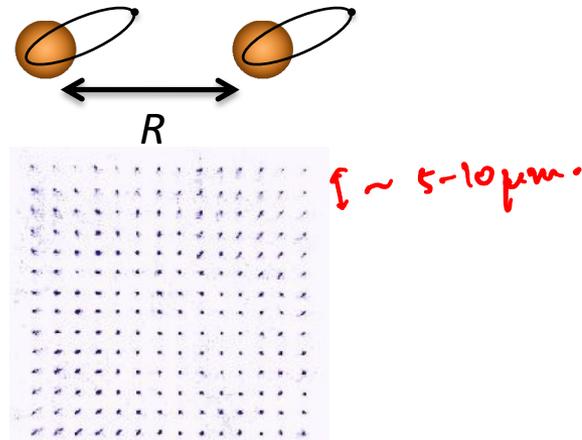
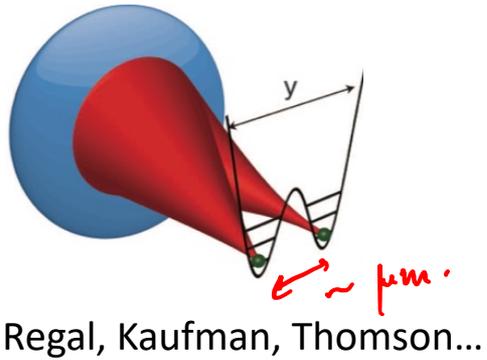
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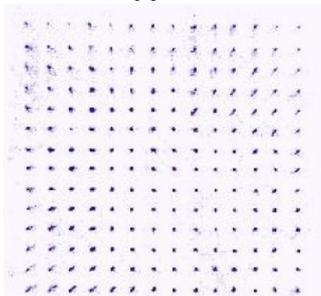
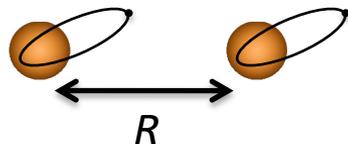
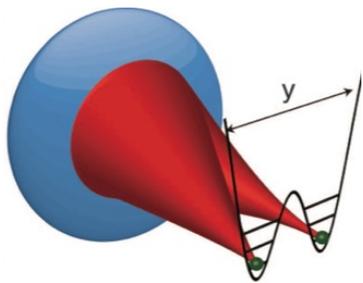
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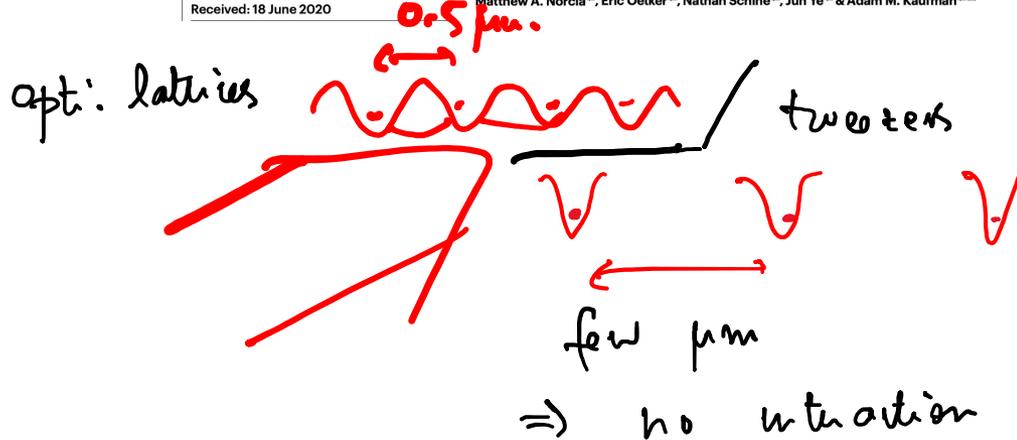
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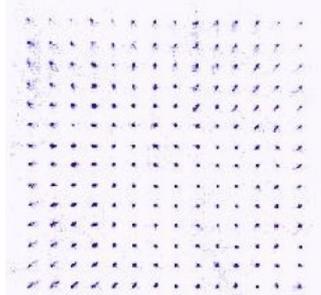
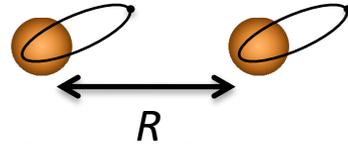
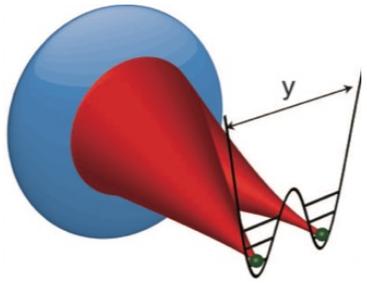
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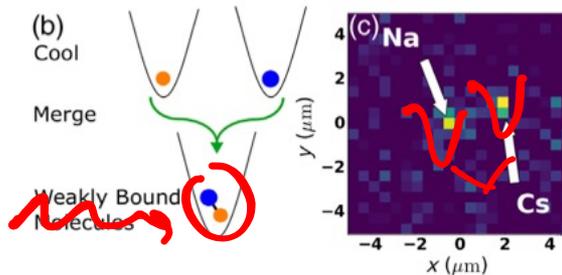
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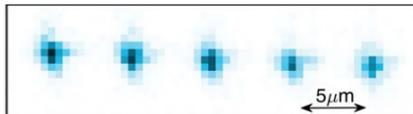
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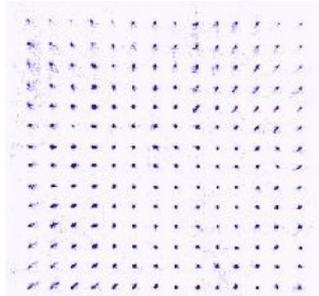
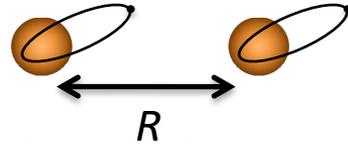
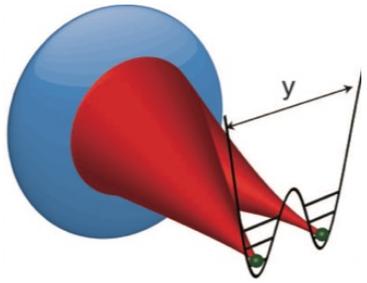
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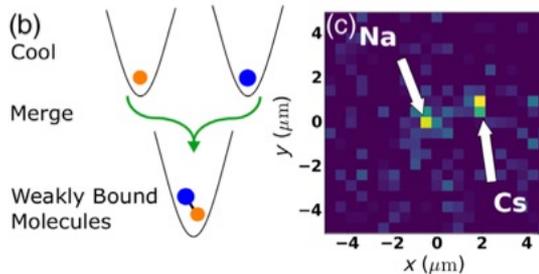
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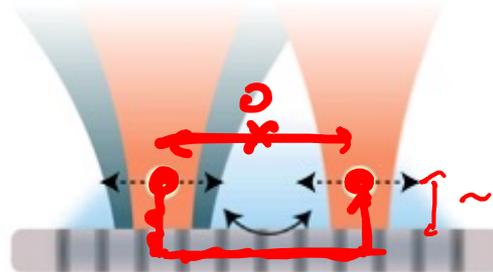


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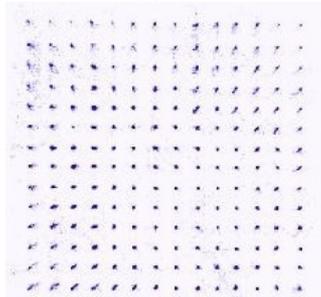
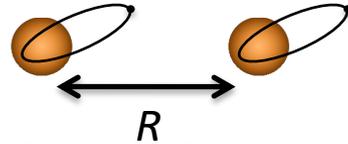
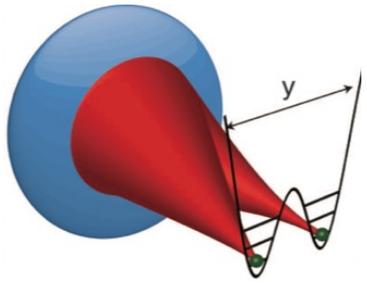


$\sim 120 - 500 \text{ nm}$
2 waveguide.

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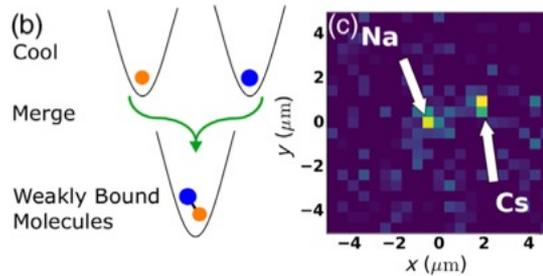
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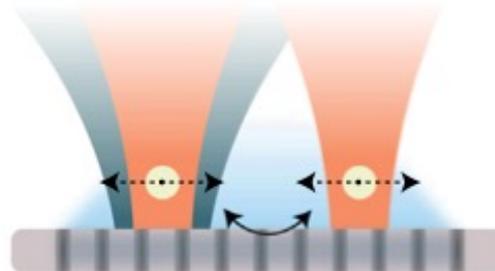


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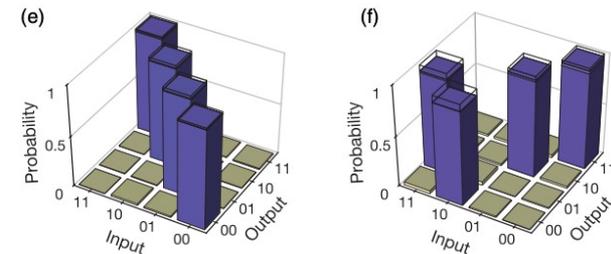
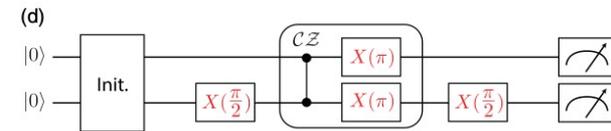
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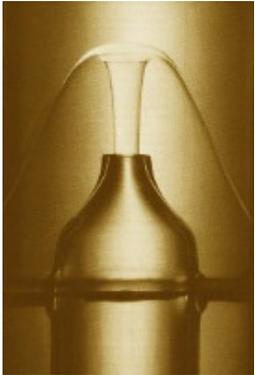
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Outline

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2. Simulation of the quantum Ising model using van der Waals interactions: quantum magnetism
3. Topological systems using resonant dipole interactions

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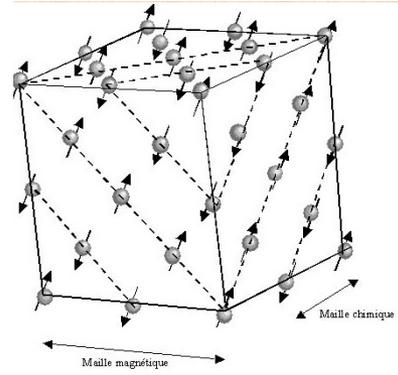
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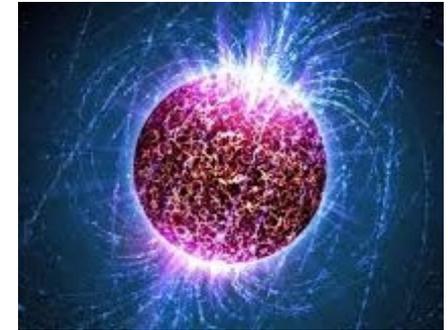
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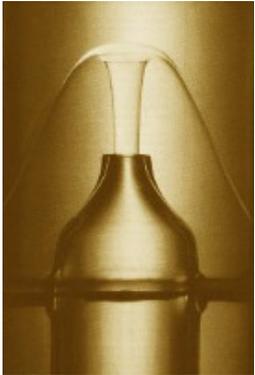
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$\uparrow -$
 $\downarrow -$
 $\dim \Sigma = 2^N$
Record obiviti'o : $N \sim 46$ atoms
Spis.

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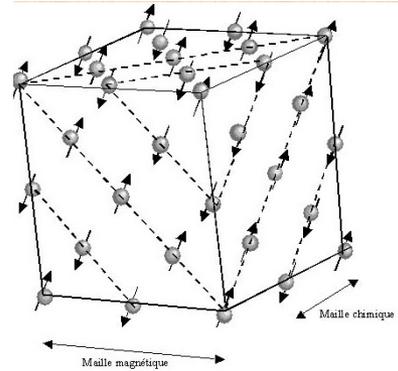
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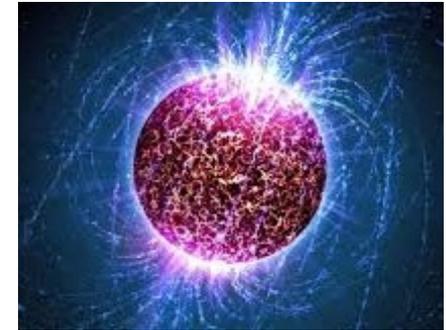
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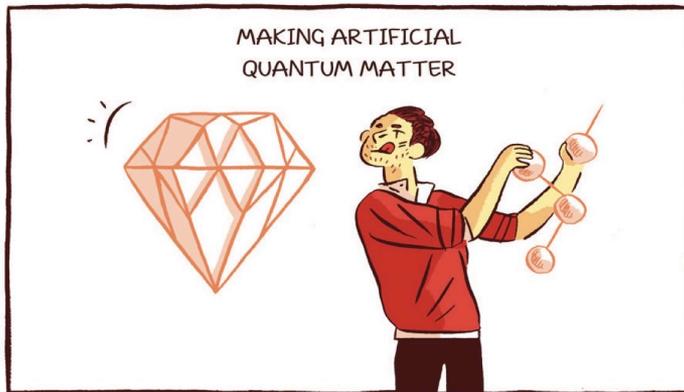
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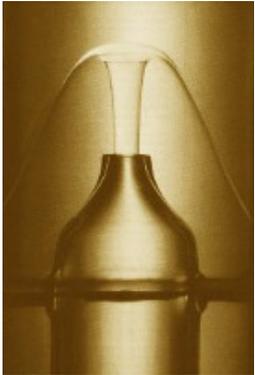
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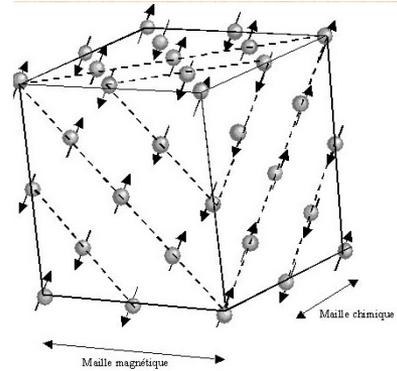
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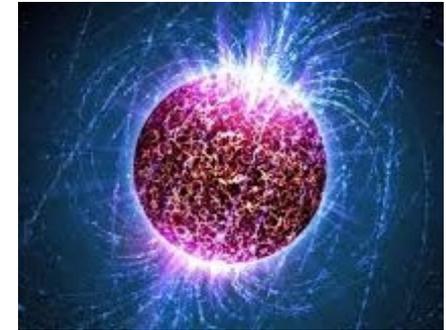
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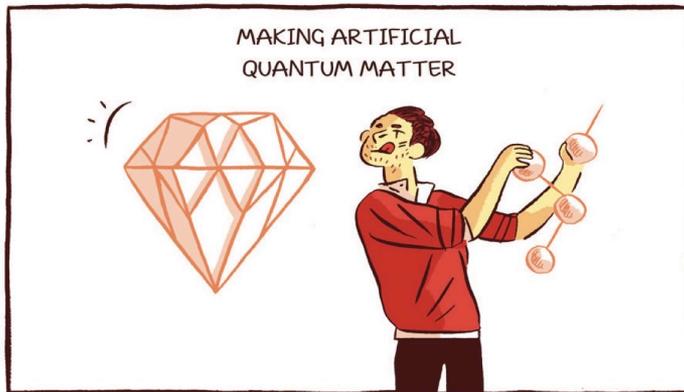
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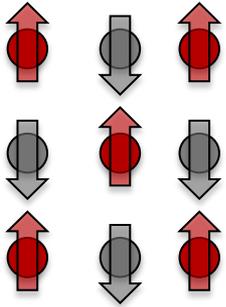
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= QUANTUM SIMULATION

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Interacting spin $\frac{1}{2}$ particles on a lattice:



$$\hat{H}_{ij} = J_{ij} \hat{\mathbf{S}}_i \cdot \hat{\mathbf{S}}_j$$

$$\hat{S} = \frac{\hbar}{2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}$$

$$\sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}_{\uparrow, \downarrow}$$

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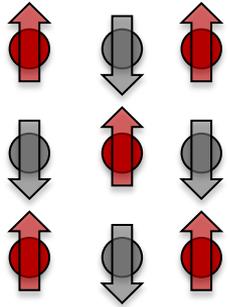
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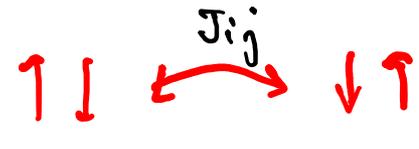
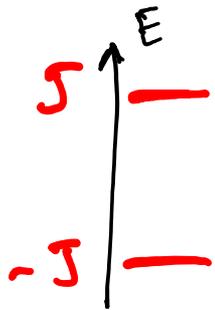
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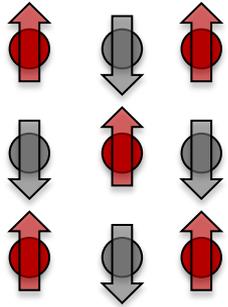
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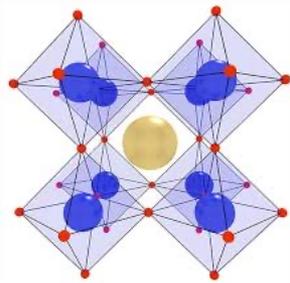
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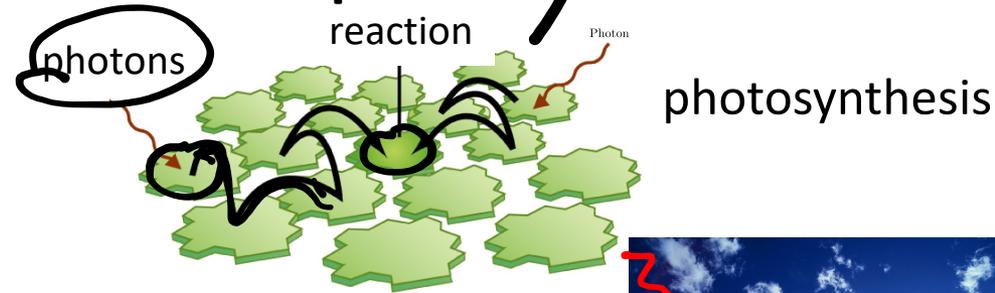
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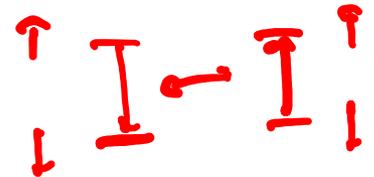
Transport of excitations



Light scattering
(dissipative)

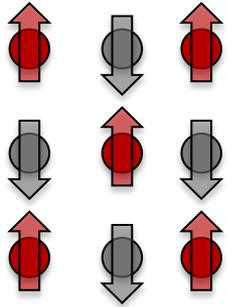


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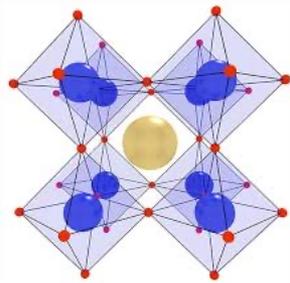


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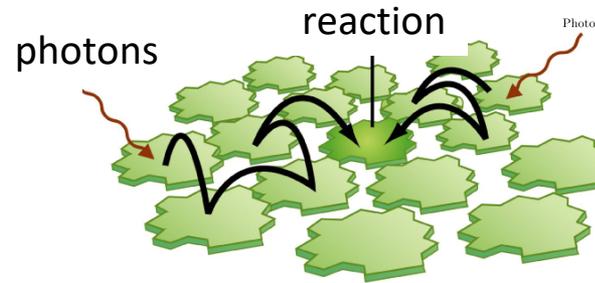
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Magnetism



Perovskite
Y2Ti2O7

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photosynthesis

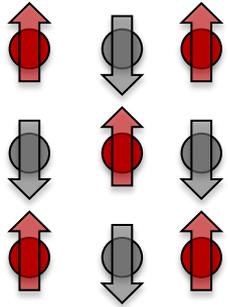
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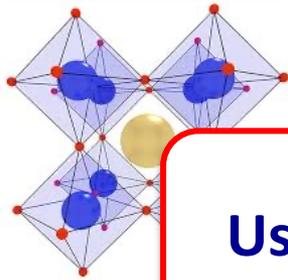


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Photon



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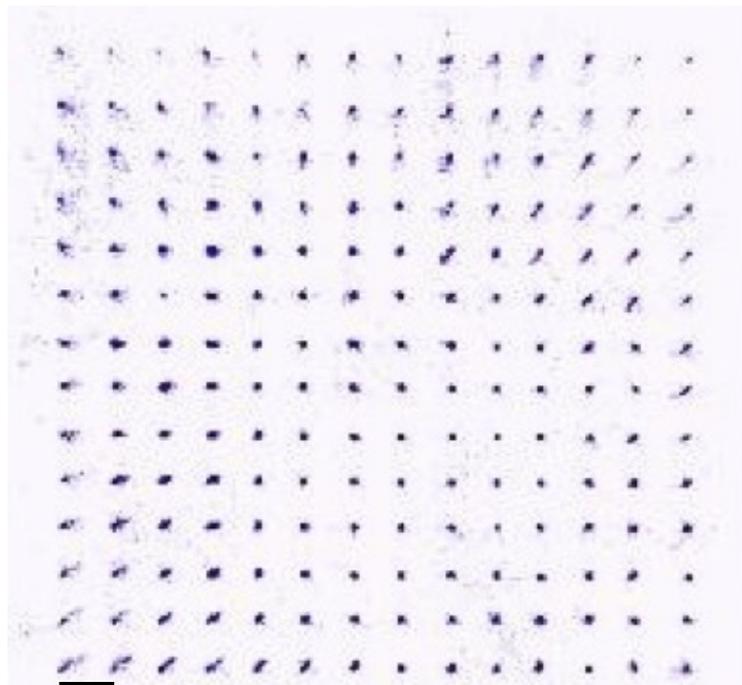
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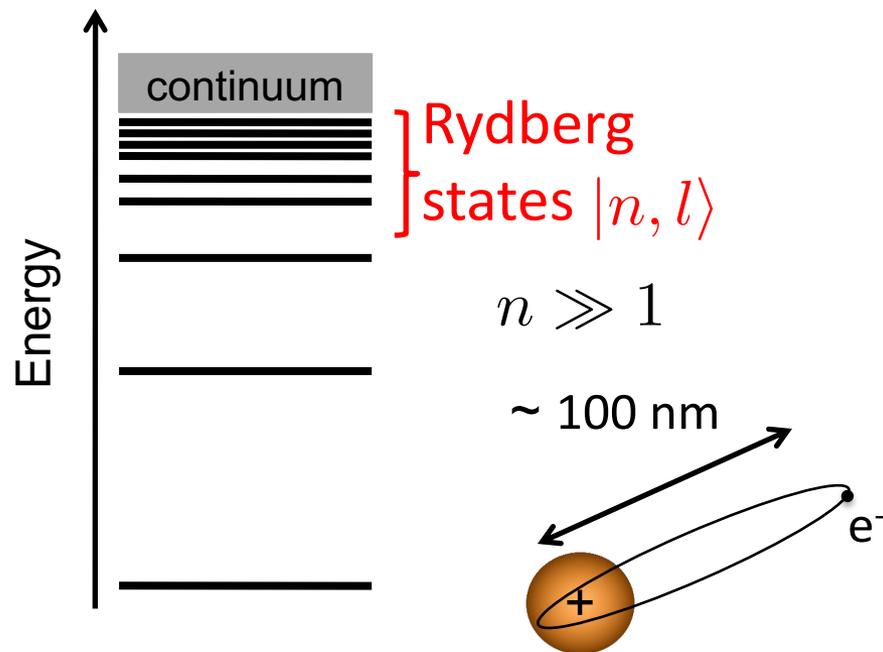
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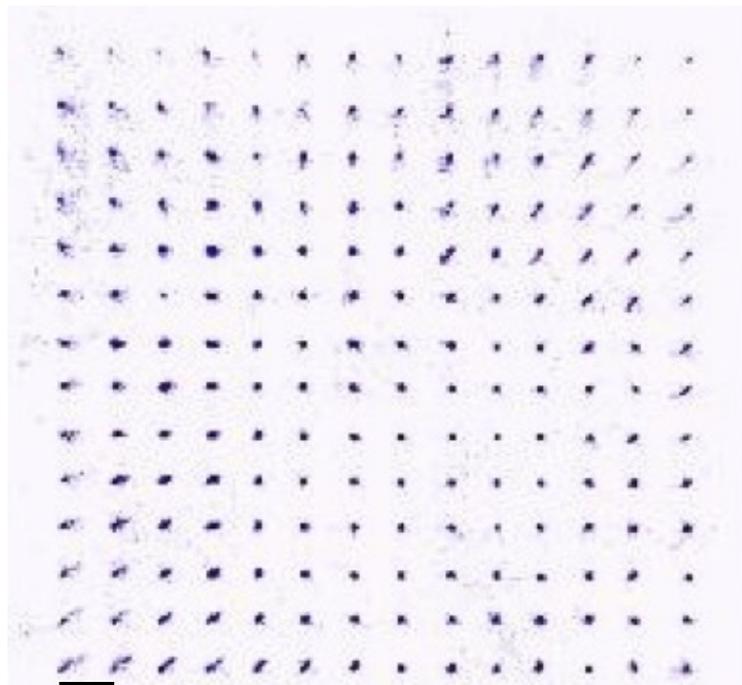
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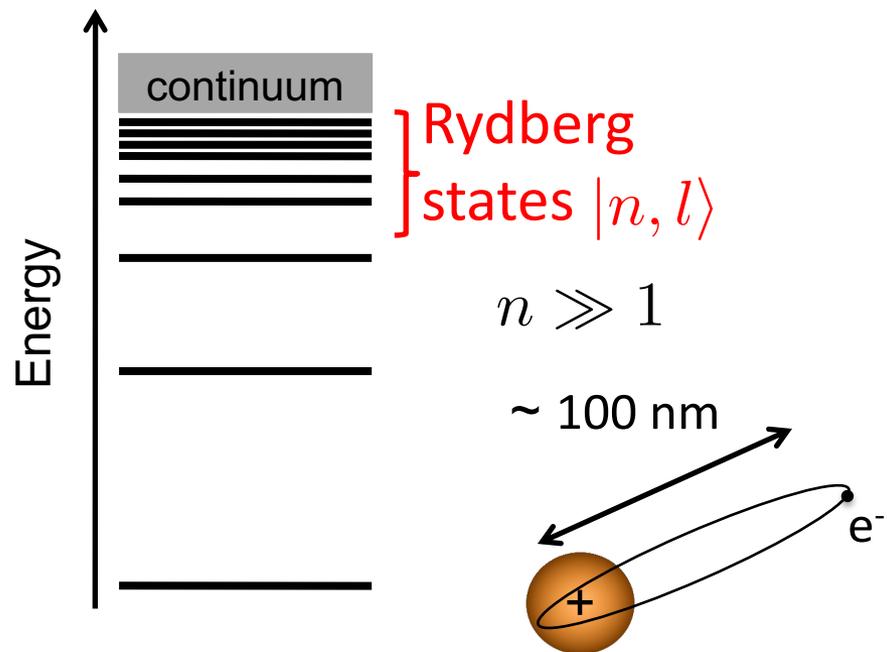
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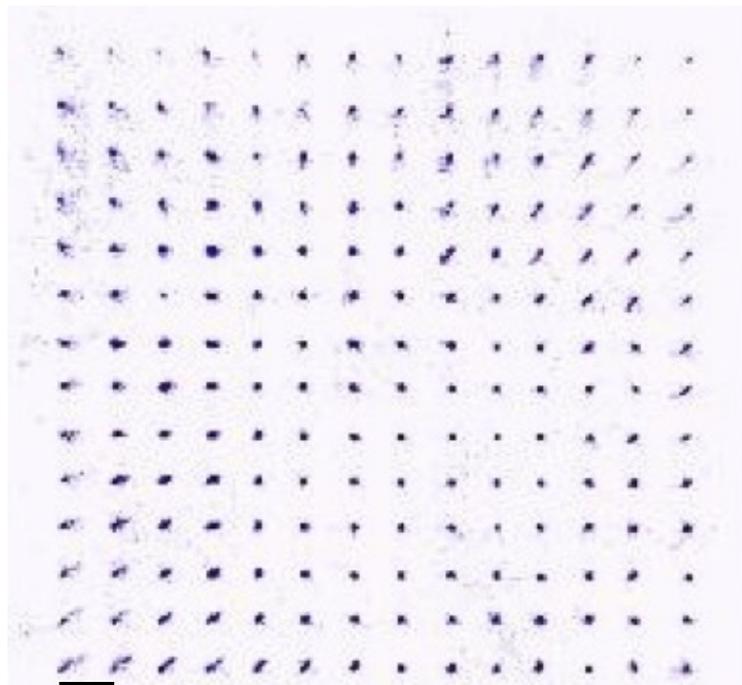


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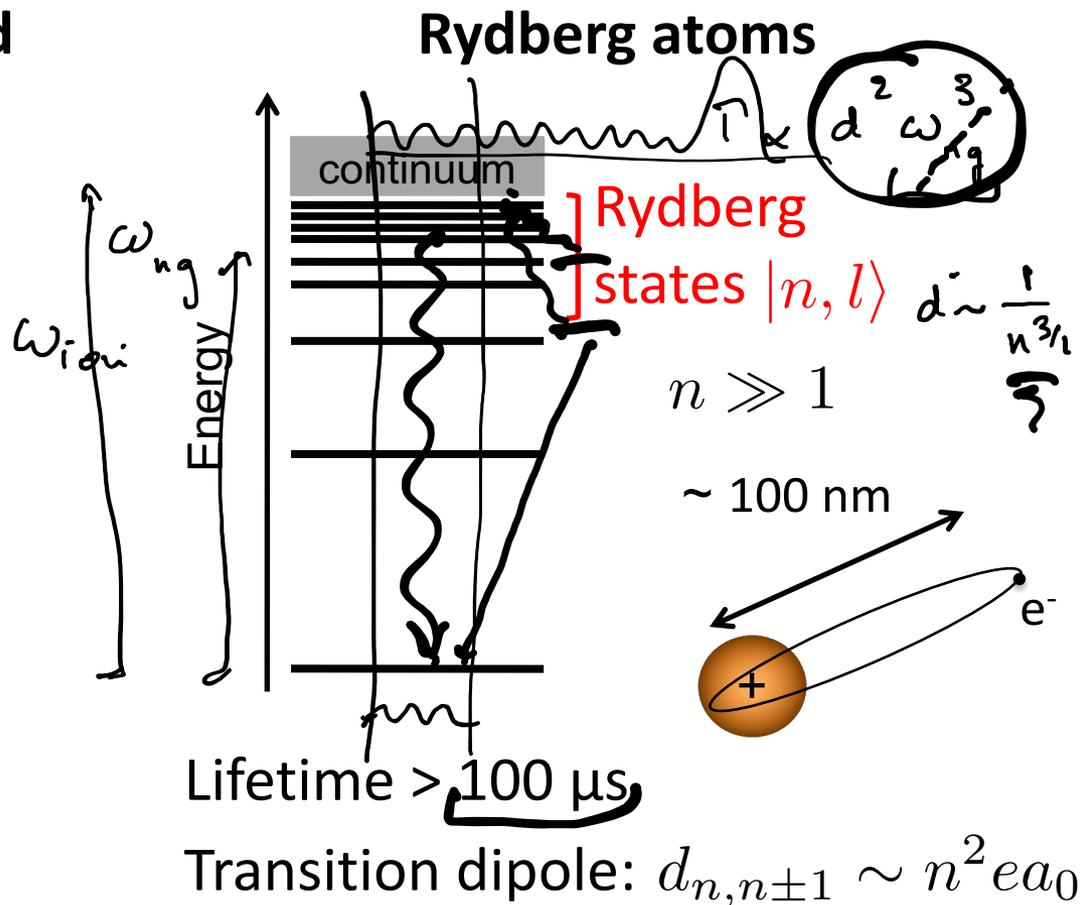
Transition dipole: $d_{n,n\pm 1} \sim n^2 ea_0$

Our platform: arrays of interacting Rydberg atoms

Individual atoms in assembled arrays of tweezers (~200 at.)



5 μm



\Rightarrow Large dipole-dipole interactions

$$n \sim 60, R = 10 \mu\text{m} \Rightarrow V_{\text{int}}/h \sim 1 - 10 \text{ MHz}$$

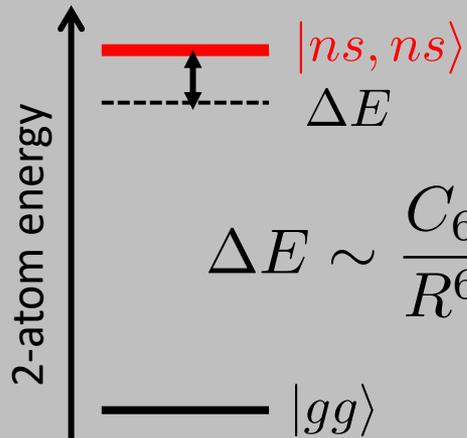
\Rightarrow timescales $< \mu\text{sec}$

Interactions between Rydberg atoms and spin models

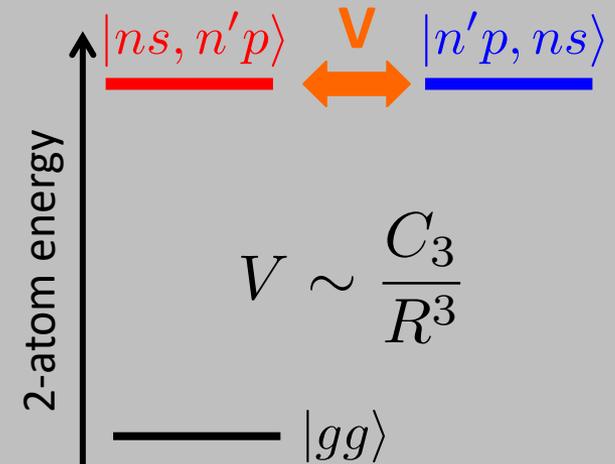


Browaeys & Lahaye, Nat.Phys. (2020)

van der Waals



Resonant dipole



$C_6, C_3 \sim \left(d_{nn\pm 1}^2 \right)$
 $\Gamma_{nn\pm 1} \sim d^2$

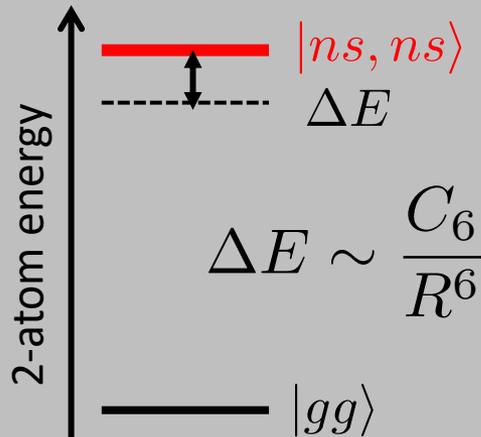
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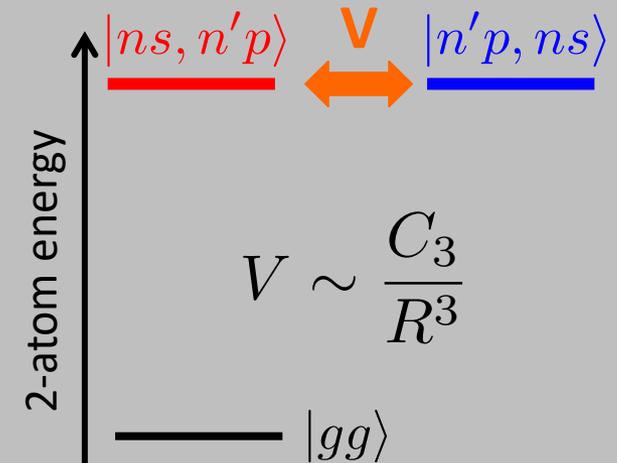


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Resonant dipole



Quantum Ising

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{i \neq j} J_{ij} \hat{\sigma}_z^{(i)} \hat{\sigma}_z^{(j)}$$

XY model

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{i \neq j} J_{ij} (\hat{\sigma}_i^+ \hat{\sigma}_j^- + \hat{\sigma}_i^- \hat{\sigma}_j^+)$$

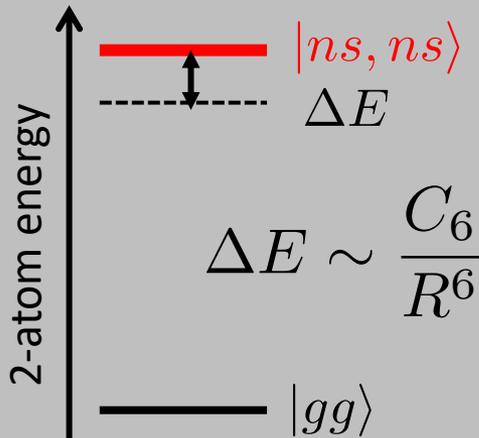
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van der Waals



$$\Delta E \sim \frac{C_6}{R^6}$$

$$C_6 \propto n^{11} \Rightarrow \text{switchable interaction}$$

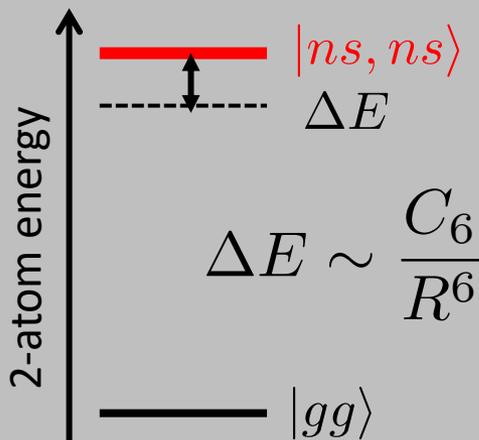
$ns\ n's$

$n = 5$ groundstate \rightarrow $n = 50$
 $C_6 \propto 10^{11}$

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van der Waals



$C_6 \propto n^{11} \Rightarrow$ switchable interaction

$$\hat{H}_{\text{int}} = \frac{C_6}{R^6} \hat{n}_1 \hat{n}_2 \sim J \underbrace{\hat{\sigma}_1^z \hat{\sigma}_2^z}_{n=0,1}$$

$$\hat{n} = \frac{1 + \hat{\sigma}_z}{2}$$

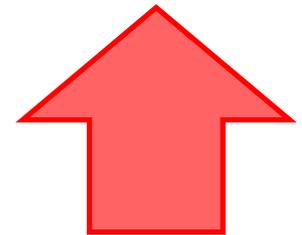
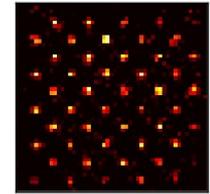
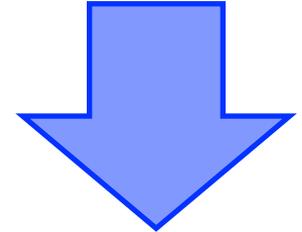
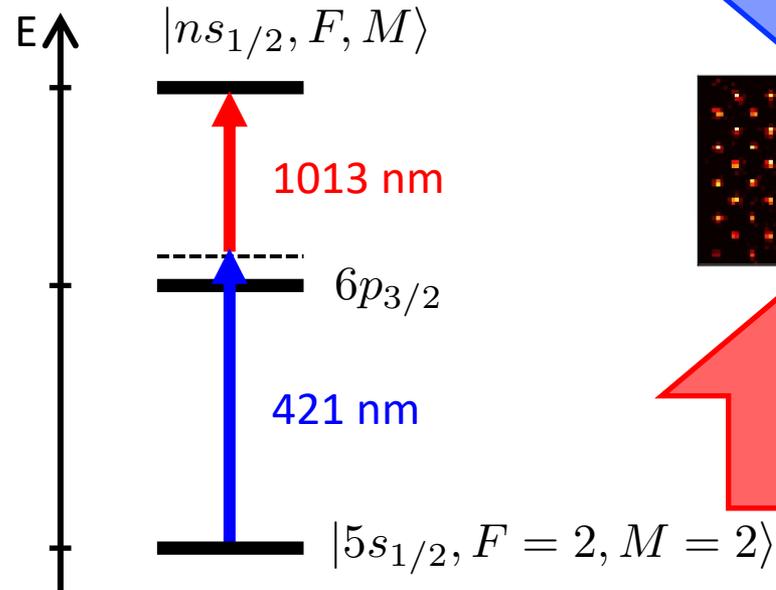
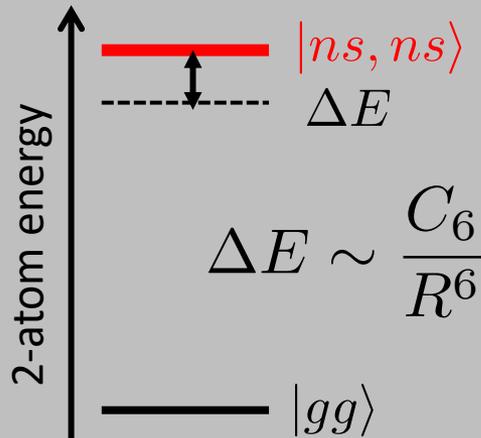
$$\text{AS: } \hat{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} + \mathbb{1} \right]$$

Rydberg occupation number

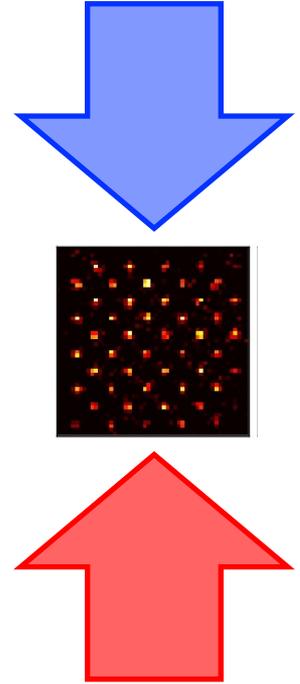
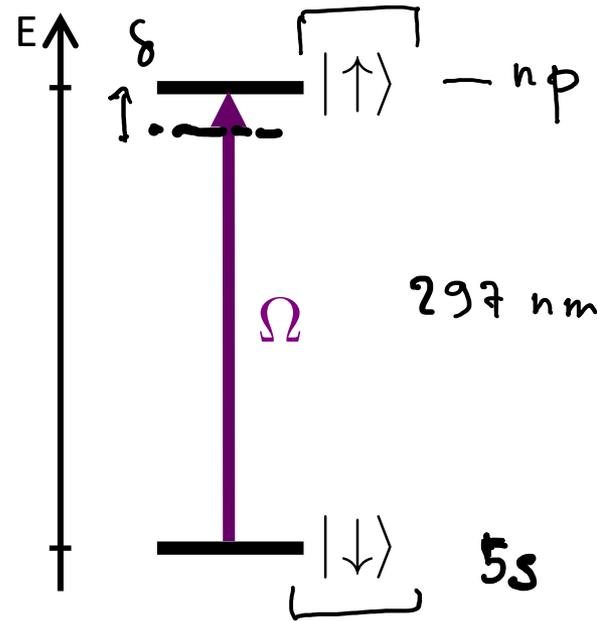
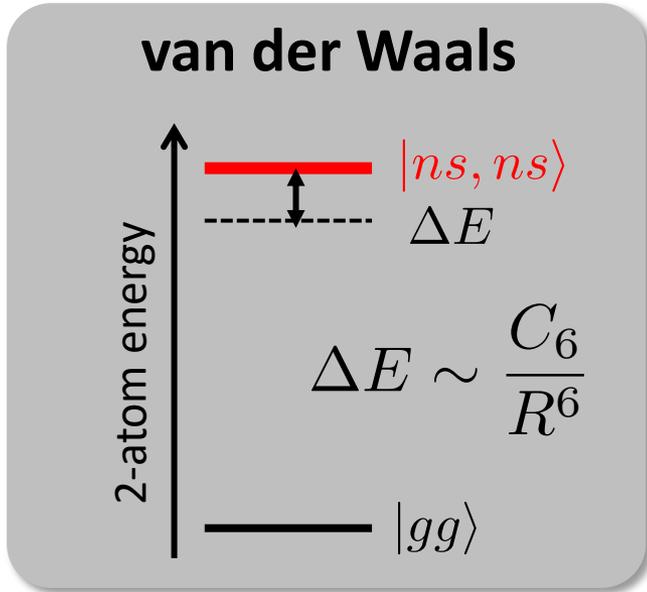
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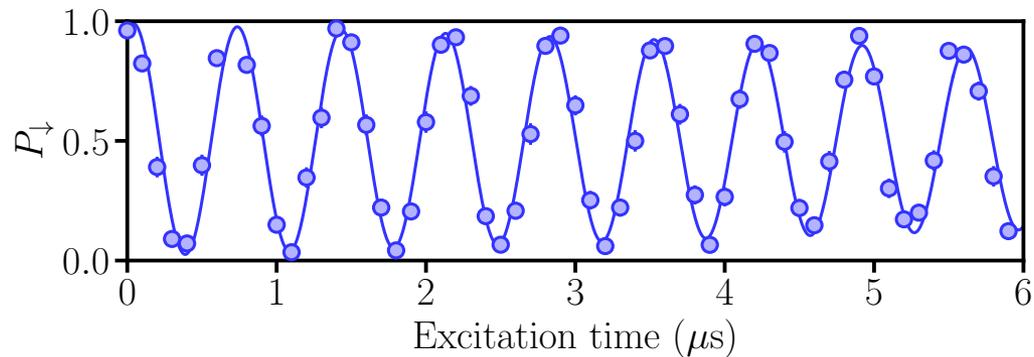
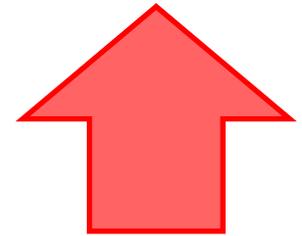
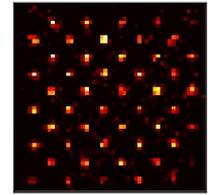
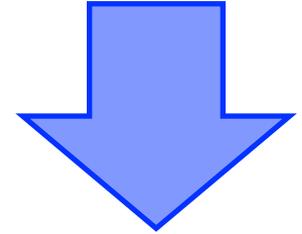
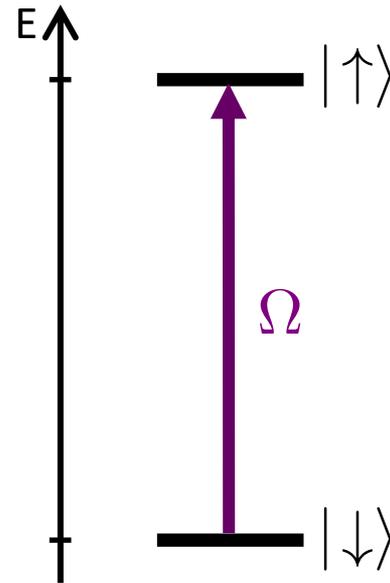
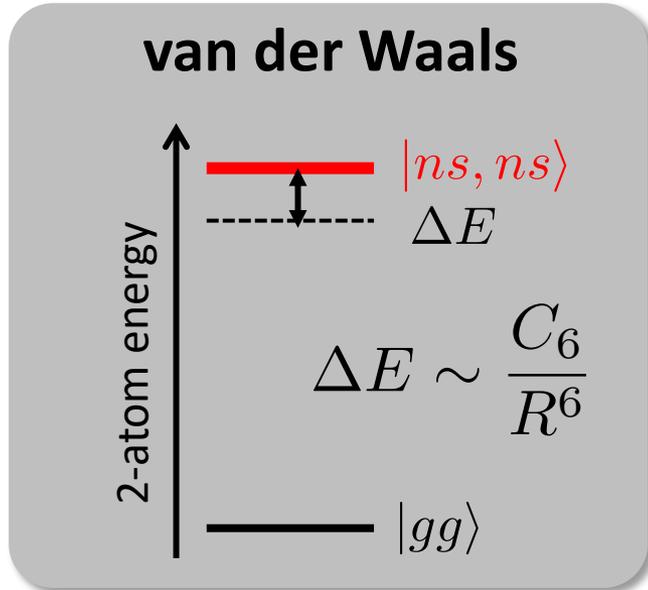


$$H_{\text{laser}} = \frac{\Omega}{2} \hat{\sigma}_x - \delta \hat{\sigma}_z \quad \text{with } \delta = \omega_L - \omega_0$$

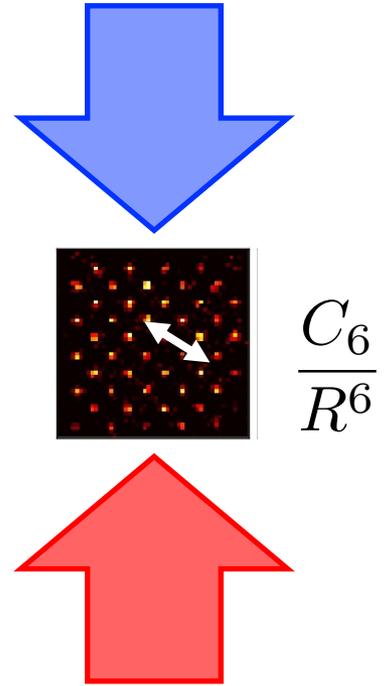
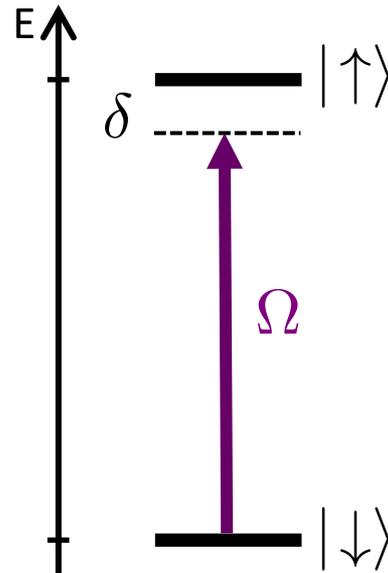
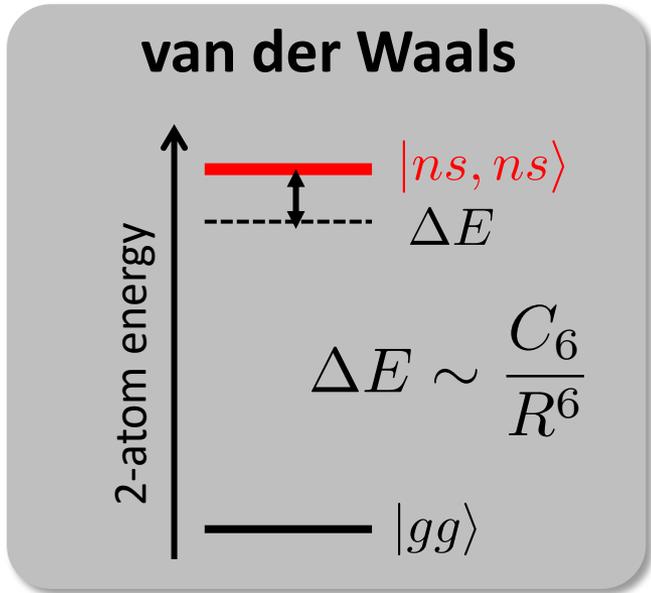
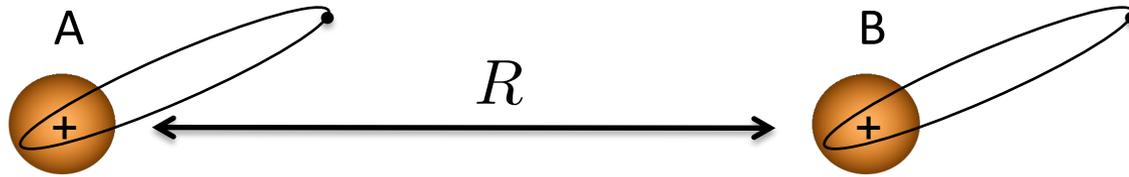
(RWA)

And $\hat{\sigma}_x \equiv \hat{\sigma}_+ + \hat{\sigma}_-$

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Quantum Ising-like model ($s=1/2$):

$$H = \underbrace{\frac{\hbar\Omega}{2} \sum_i \sigma_x^i}_{H_L} + \underbrace{\hbar\delta \sum_i \hat{n}_i}_{\sigma_z^i} + \underbrace{\sum_{i<j} \frac{C_6}{R_{ij}^6} \hat{n}_i \hat{n}_j}_{\text{Ising-interaction}}$$

Transverse B

Longitudinal B

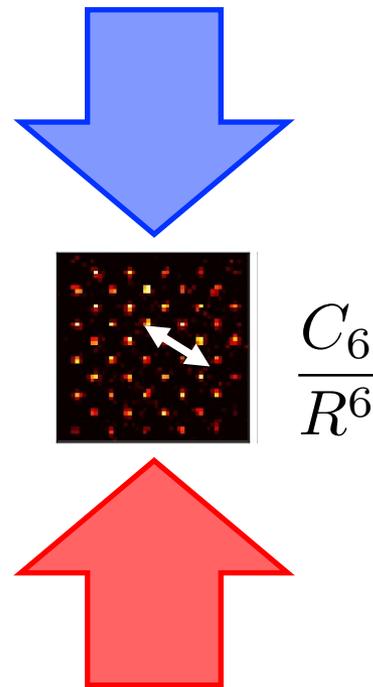
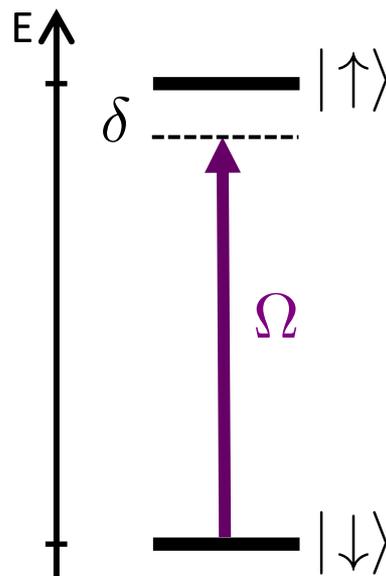
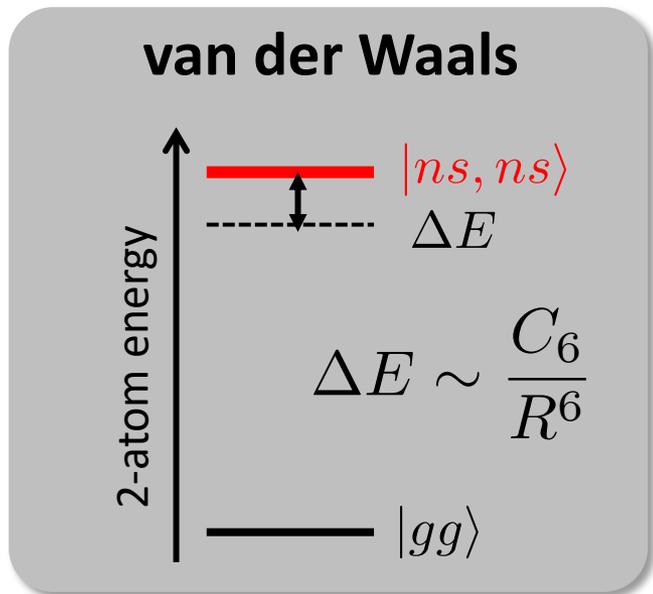
Spin-spin interaction

Ising-interaction.

$[\sigma_x, \hat{n}_i \hat{n}_j] \neq 0$

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"quantum"

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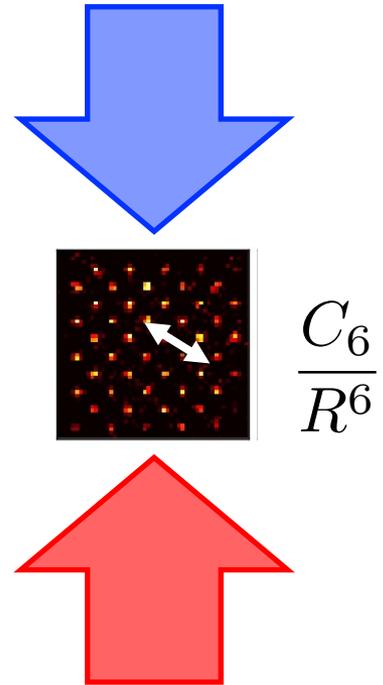
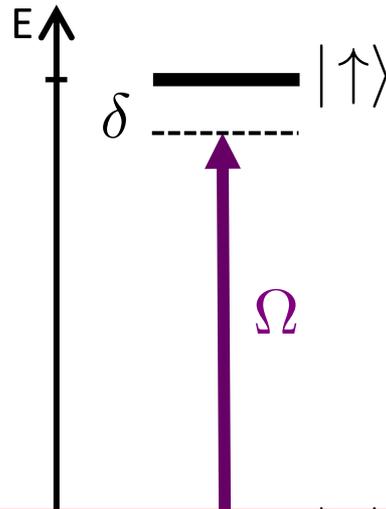
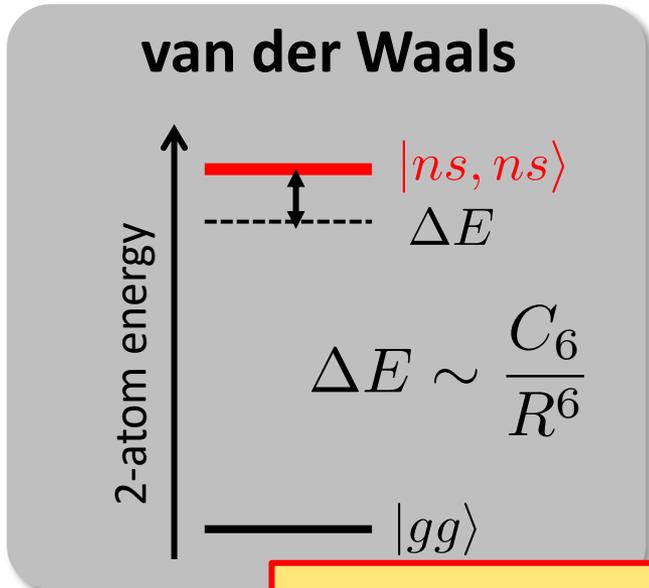
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Experiment^t.

$$\frac{C_6/a^6}{\Omega} = [0 - 20]$$

Transverse B **Longitudinal B** **Spin-spin interaction**

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Quantum Is

Equilibrium: preparation of ground states

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$$H = \frac{\hbar\Omega}{2}$$

Out-of-equilibrium: sudden variation ("quench") of parameters

$$= [0 - 20]$$

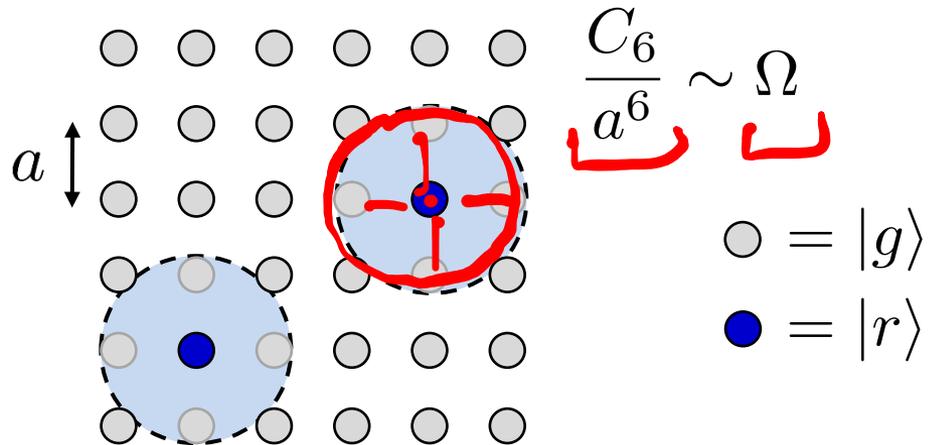
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2D Ising anti-ferromagnet on a square

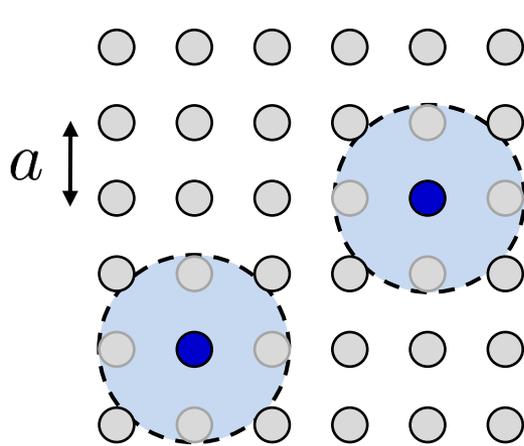
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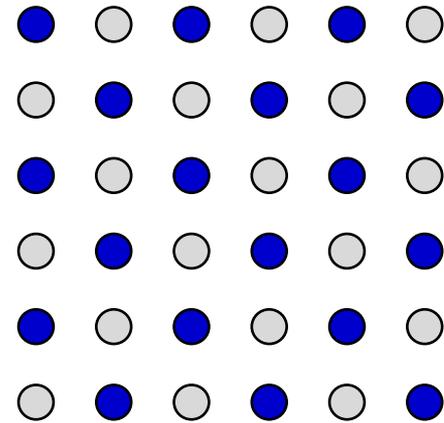
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Anti-ferromagnetic ground state



$$\frac{C_6}{a^6} \sim \Omega$$

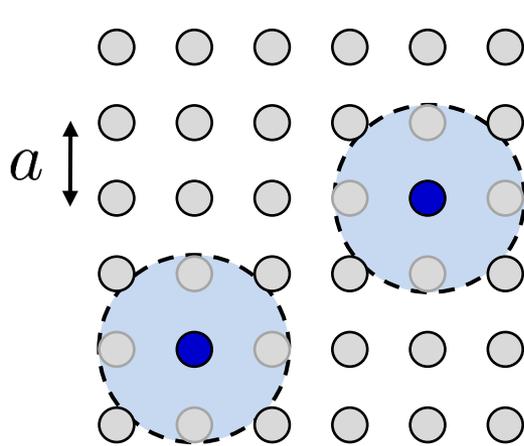
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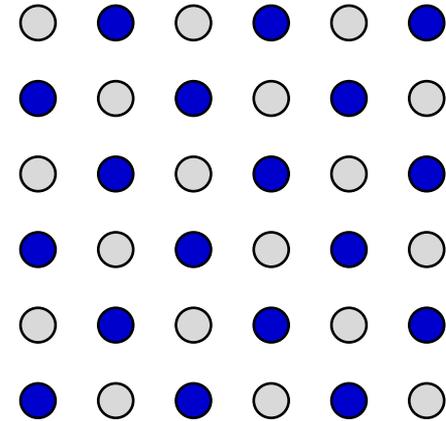
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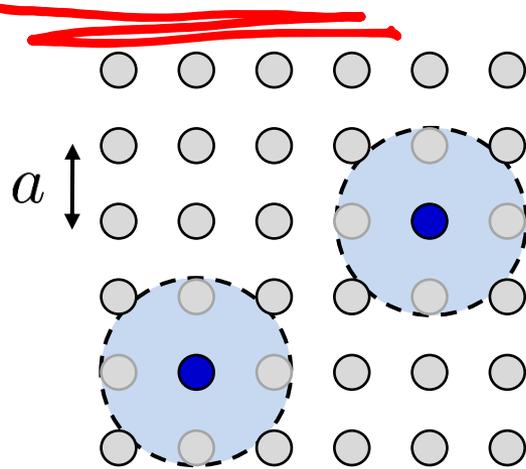
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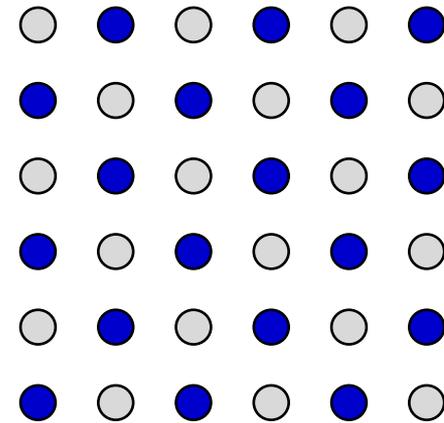
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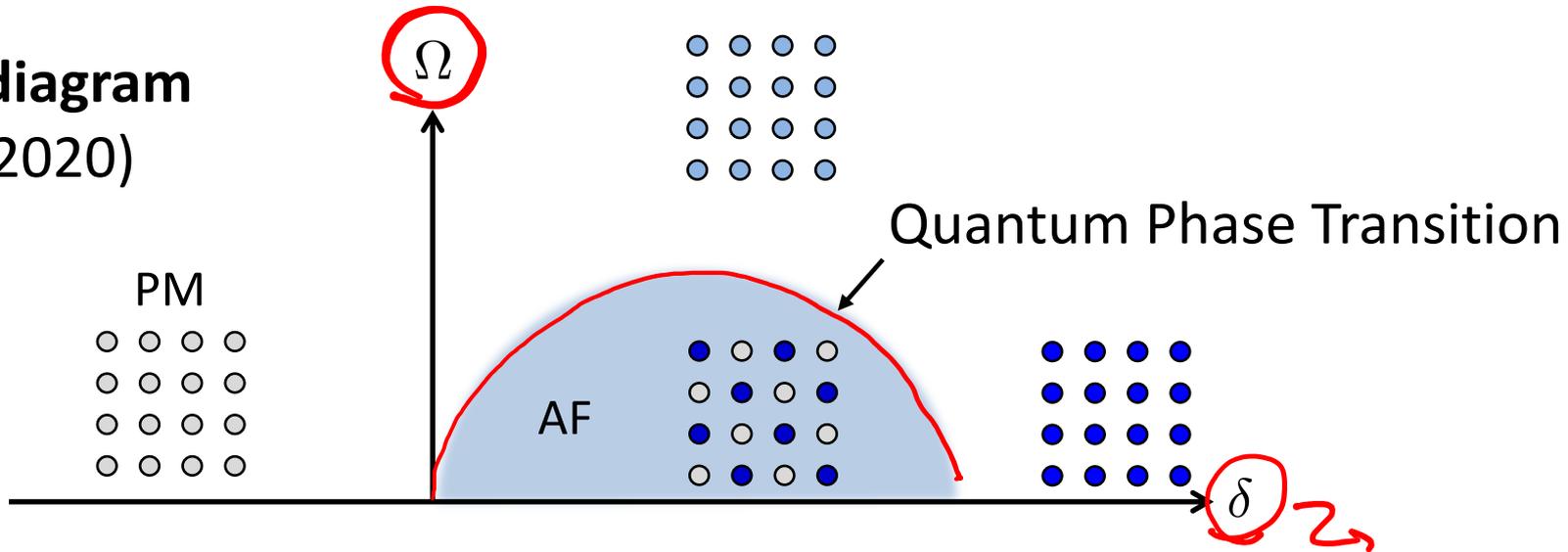
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Anti-ferromagnetic ground state



2D phase diagram
(1970 - 2020)



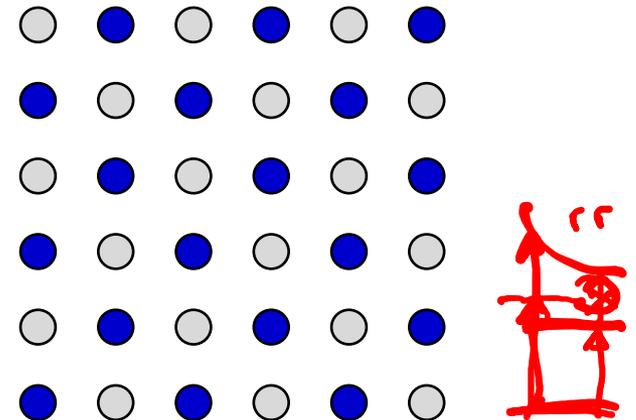
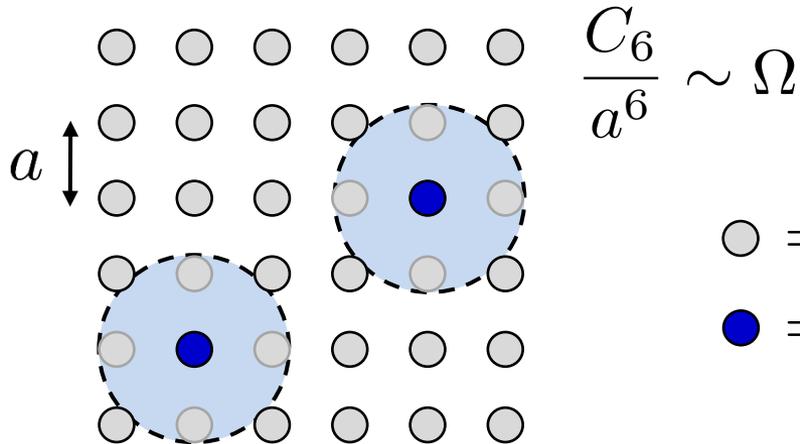
Known by Quantum Monte-Carlo

Never implemented and measured in 2D...!!!

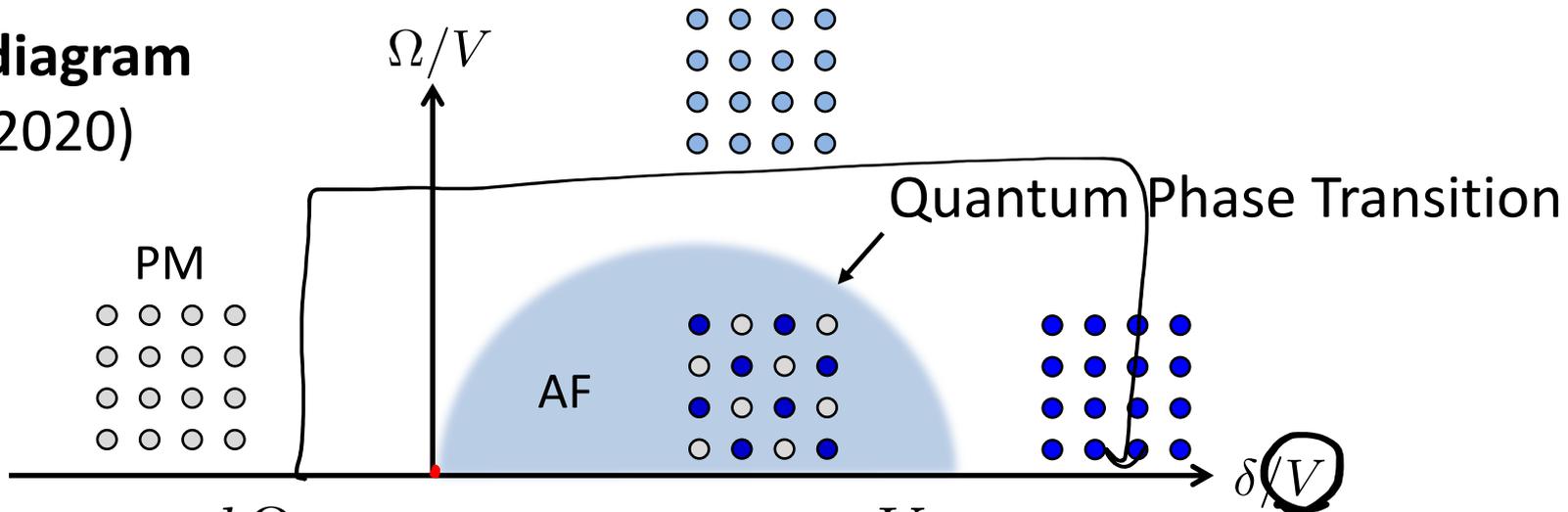
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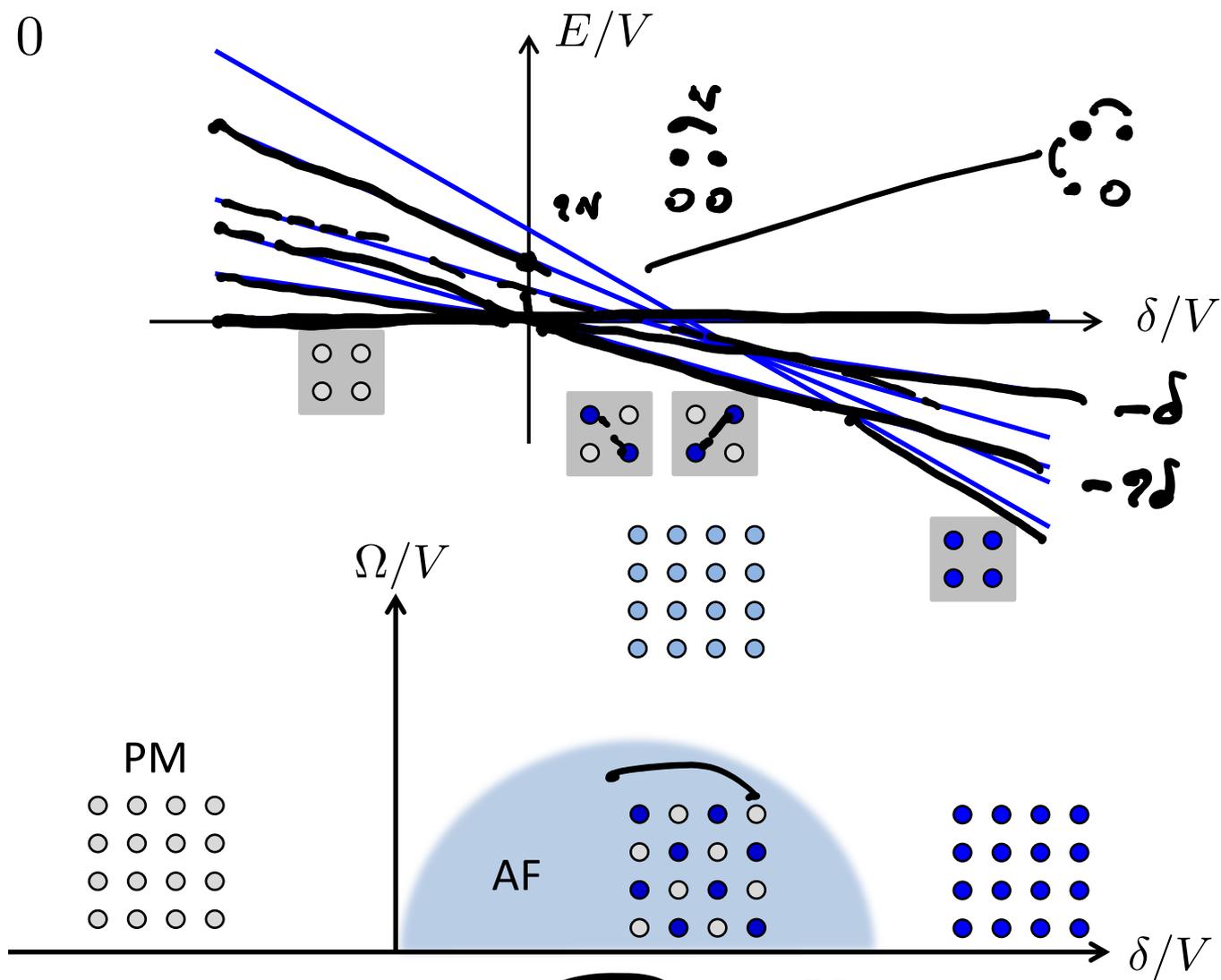
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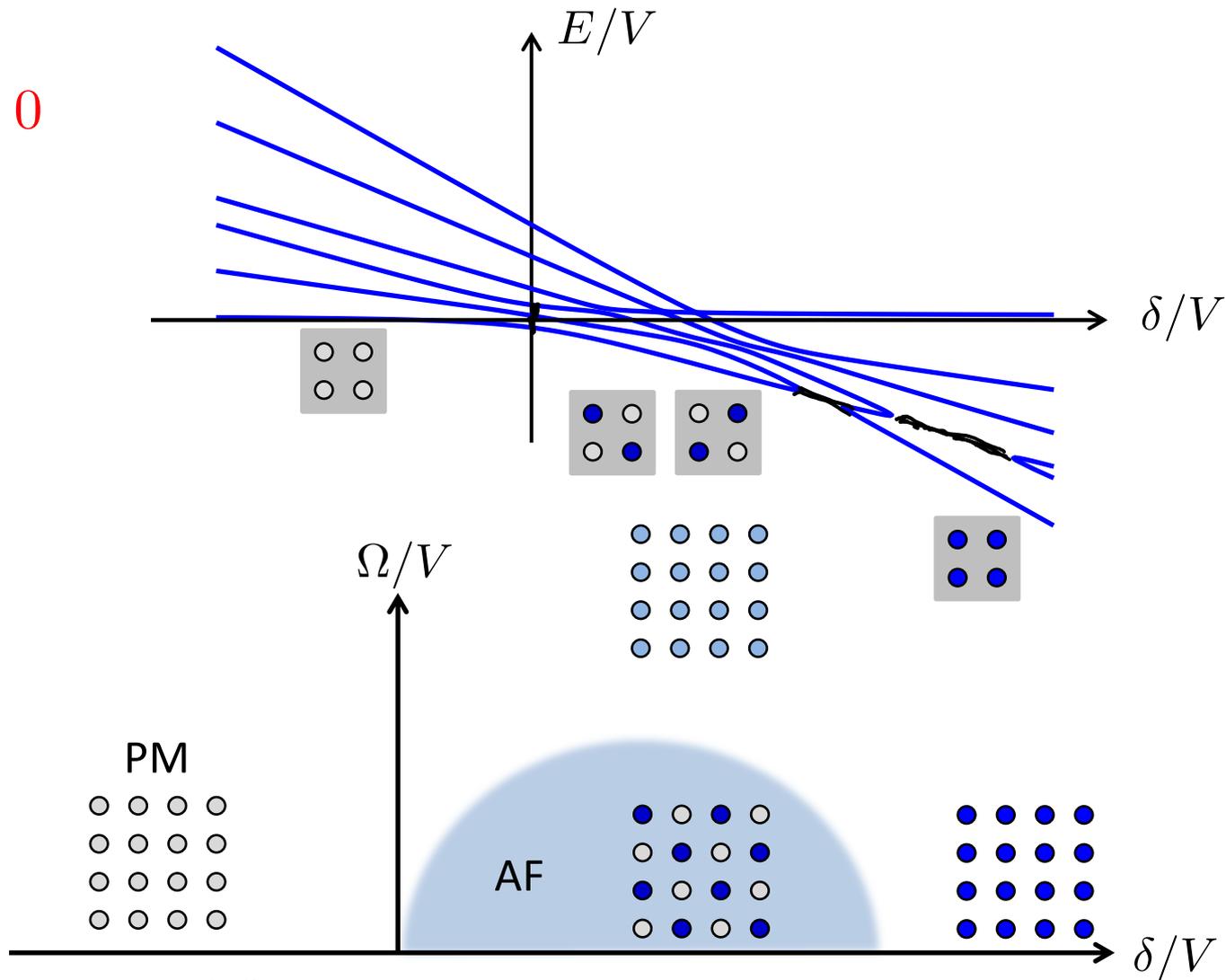
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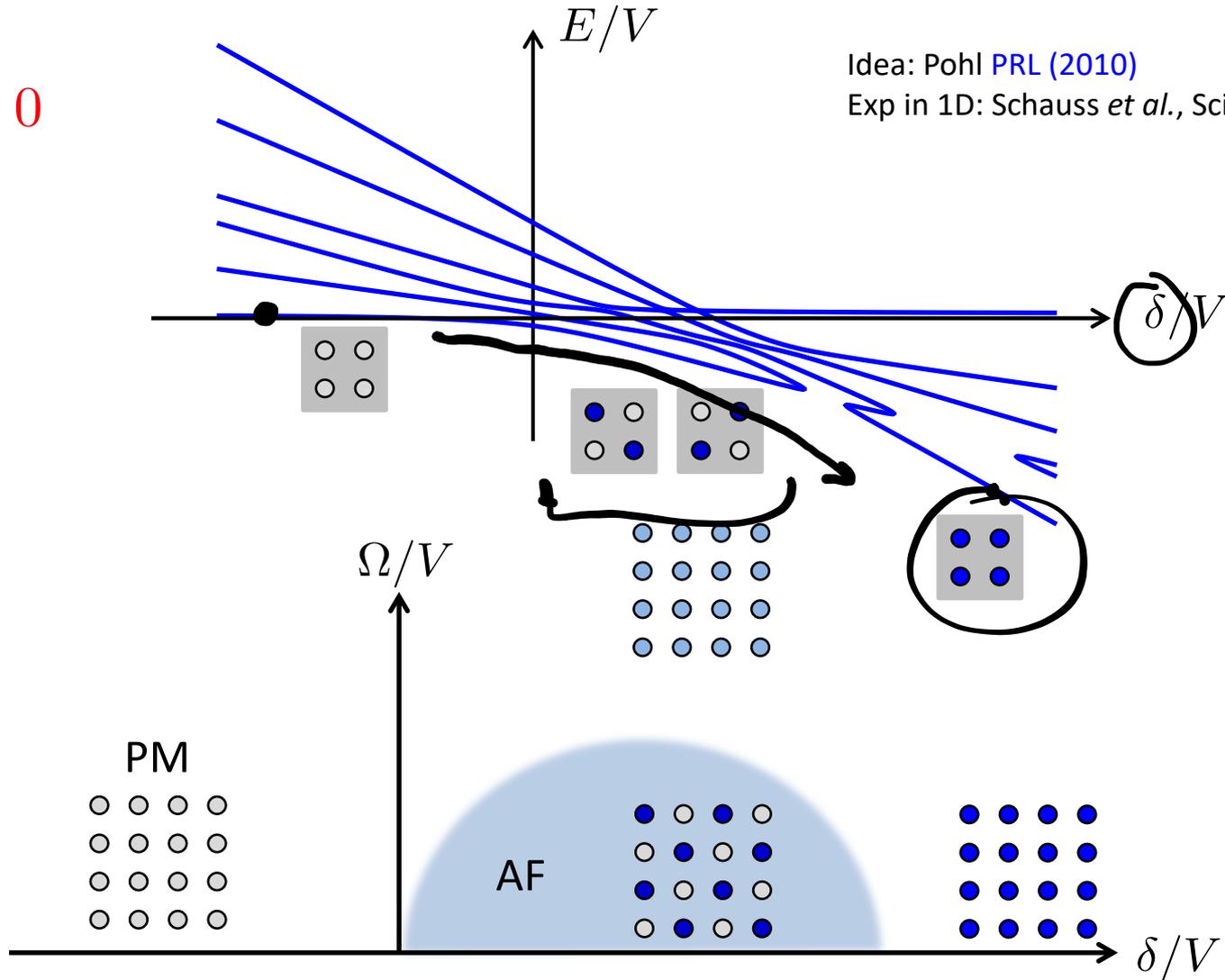
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Adiabatic preparation of a 2D Ising anti-ferromagnet

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Idea: Pohl [PRL \(2010\)](#)

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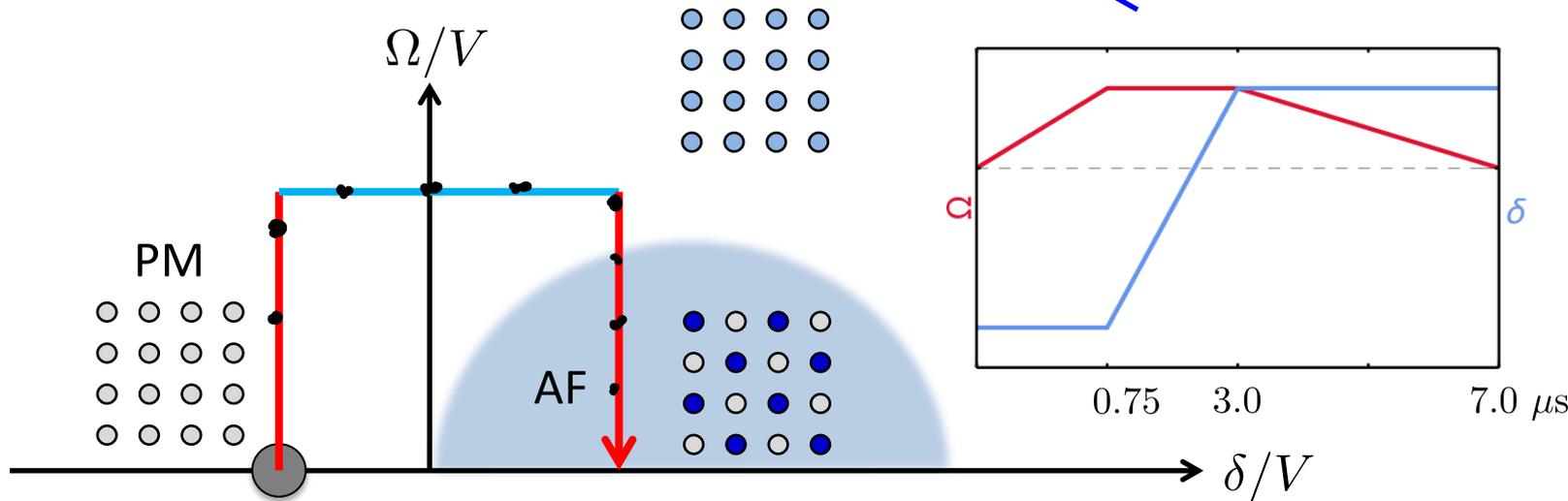
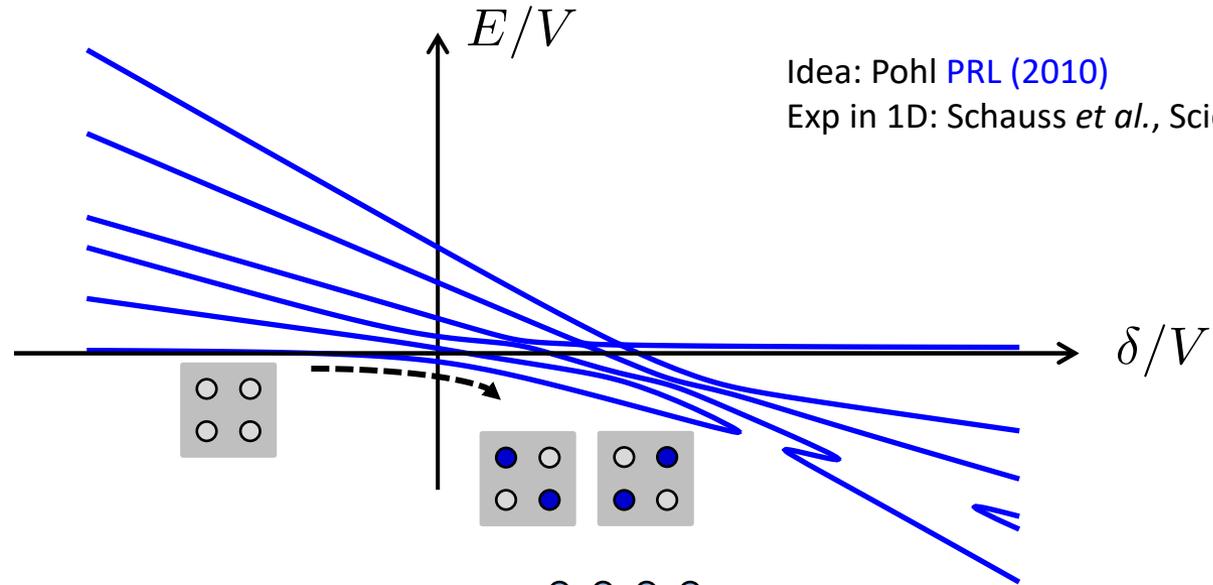
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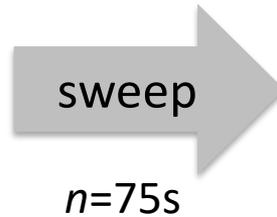
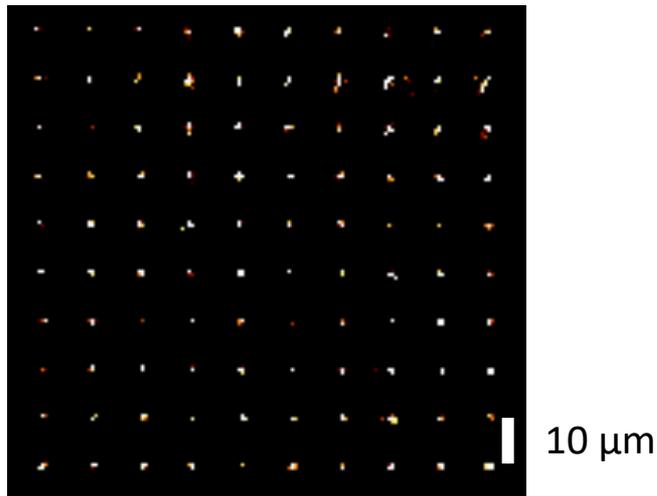
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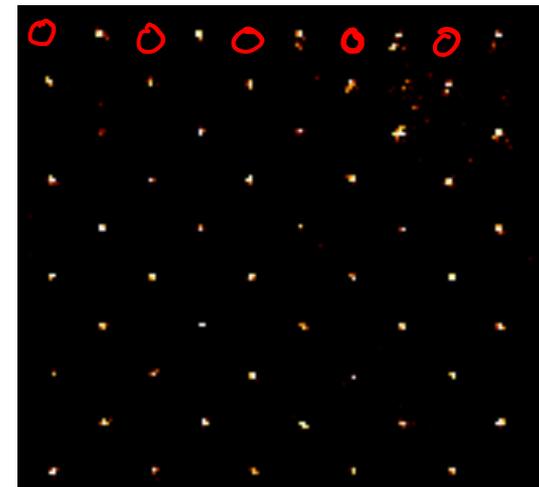
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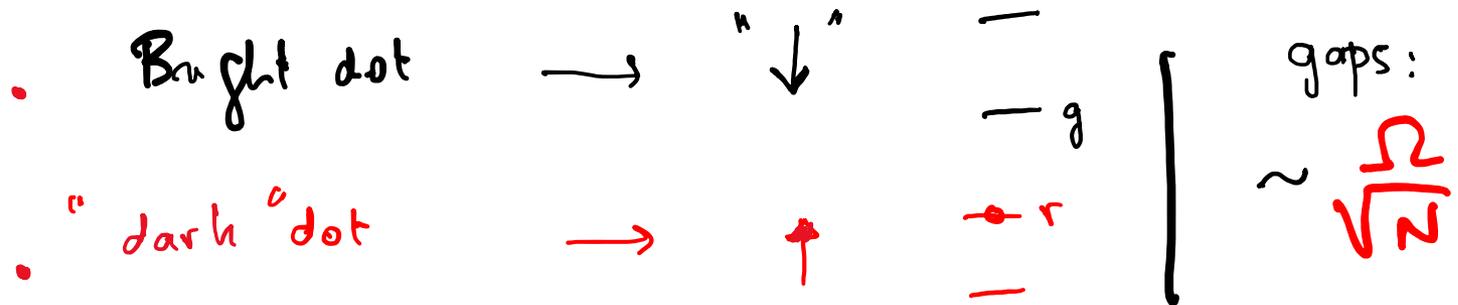
10 × 10 square array



Scholl, arXiv:2012.12268



Missing atoms = Rydberg



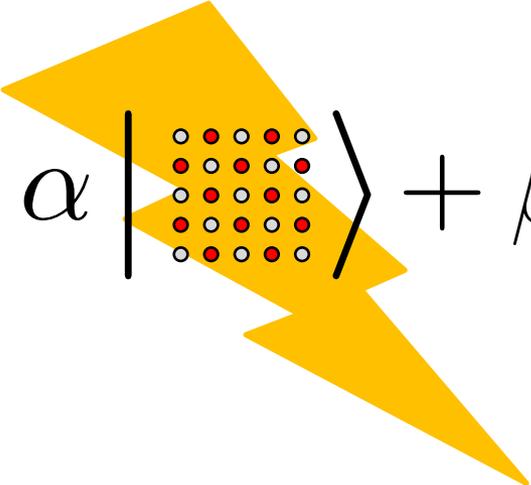
Seeing the many-body wavefunction...

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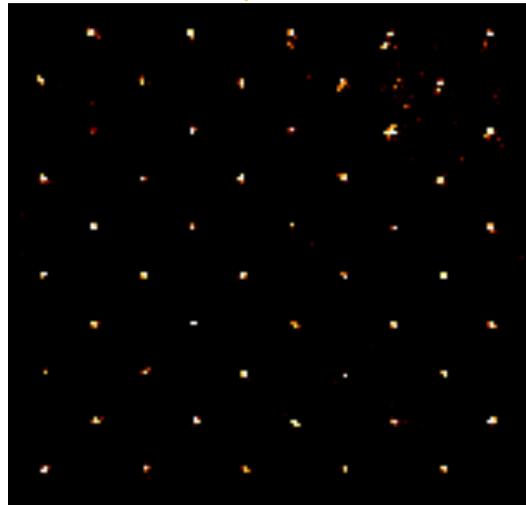
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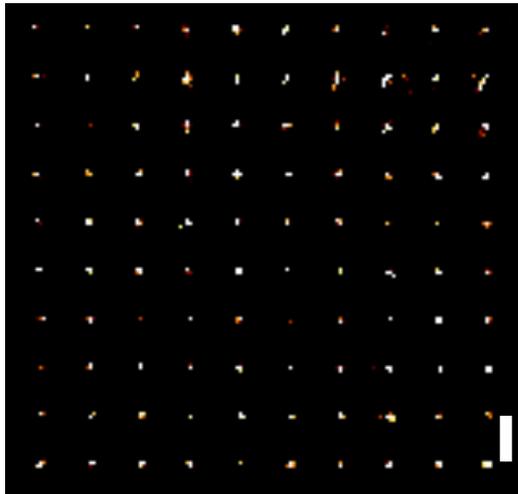


probability $|\alpha|^2$

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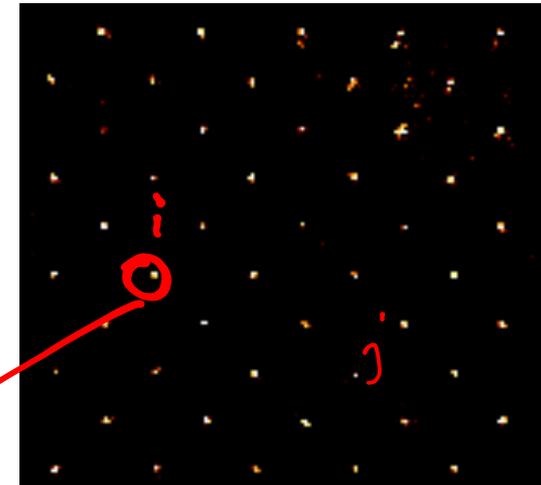
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10 μm



$n=75s$



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Perfect AF (Néel) ordering!
(proba < 1%)

σ_i^z σ_j^z

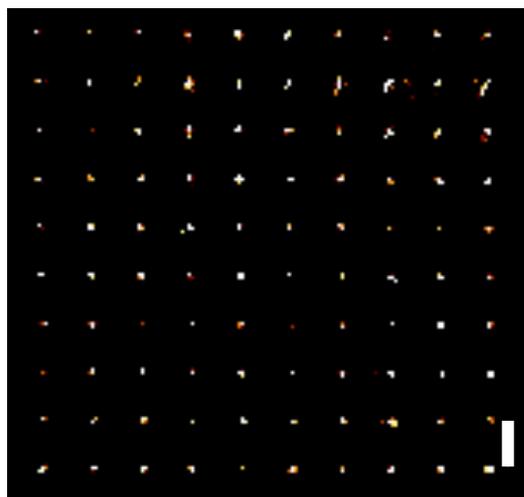
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1D: Pohl [PRL 2010](#); Bloch [Science 2015](#); Lukin [Nature 2017, 2019](#);

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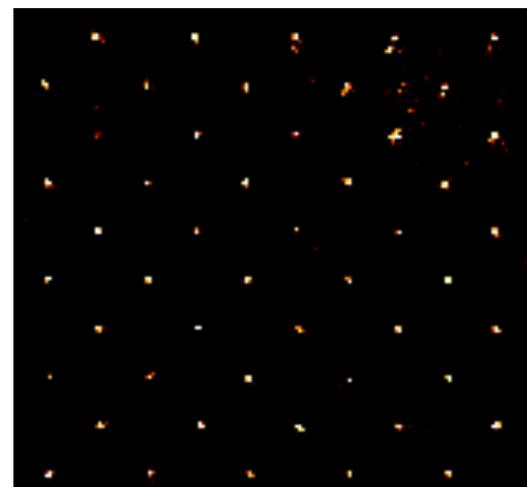


10 μm

sweep

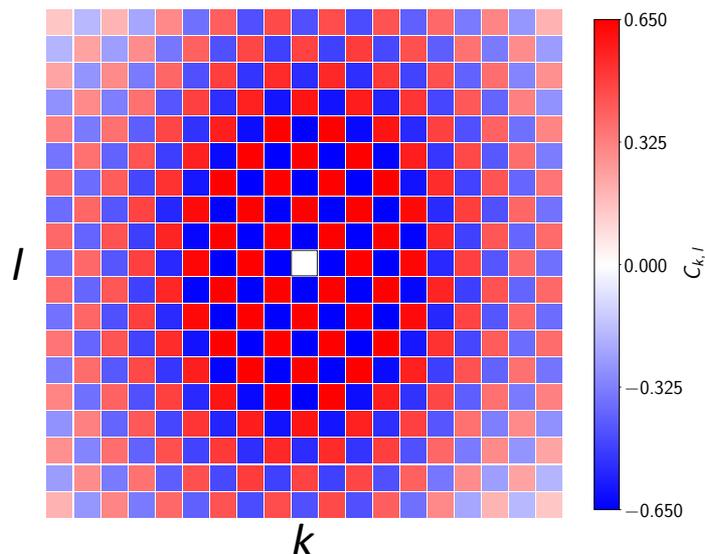
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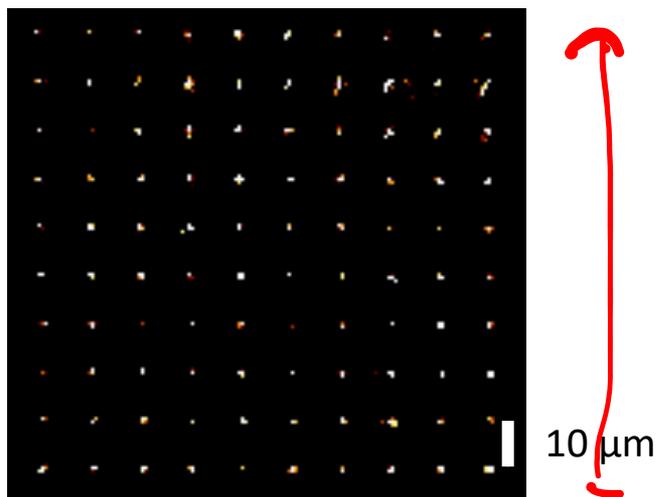
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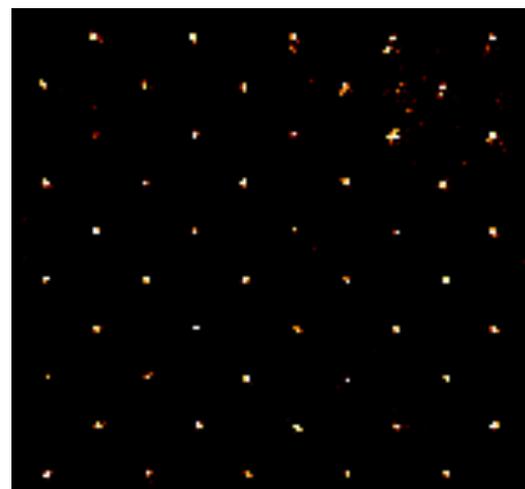
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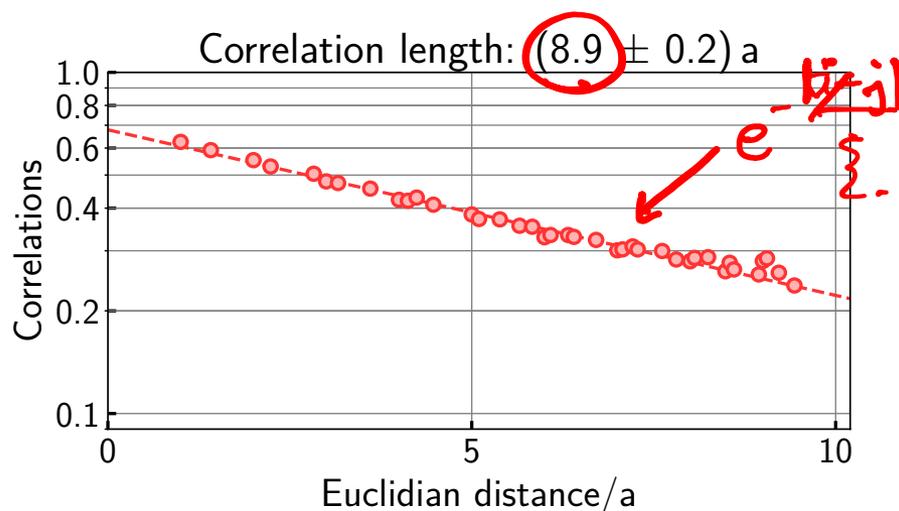
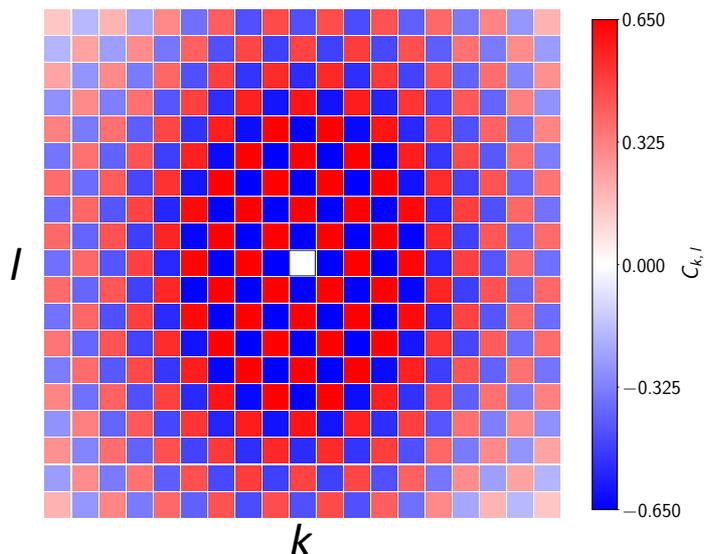
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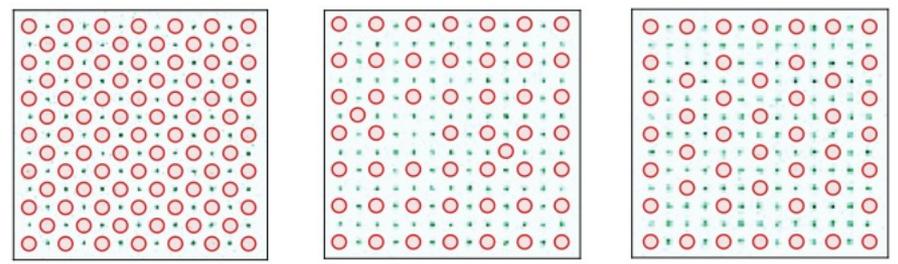
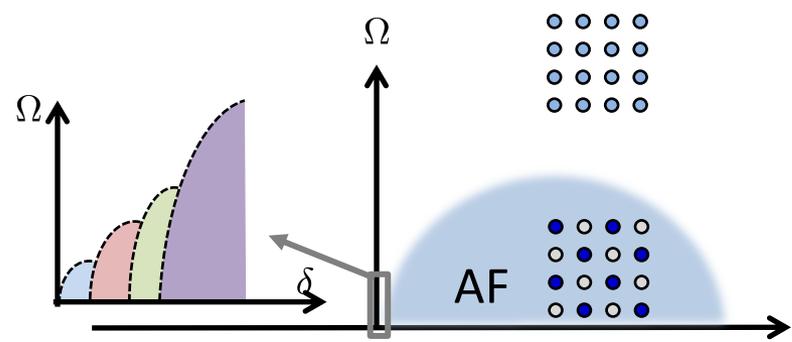


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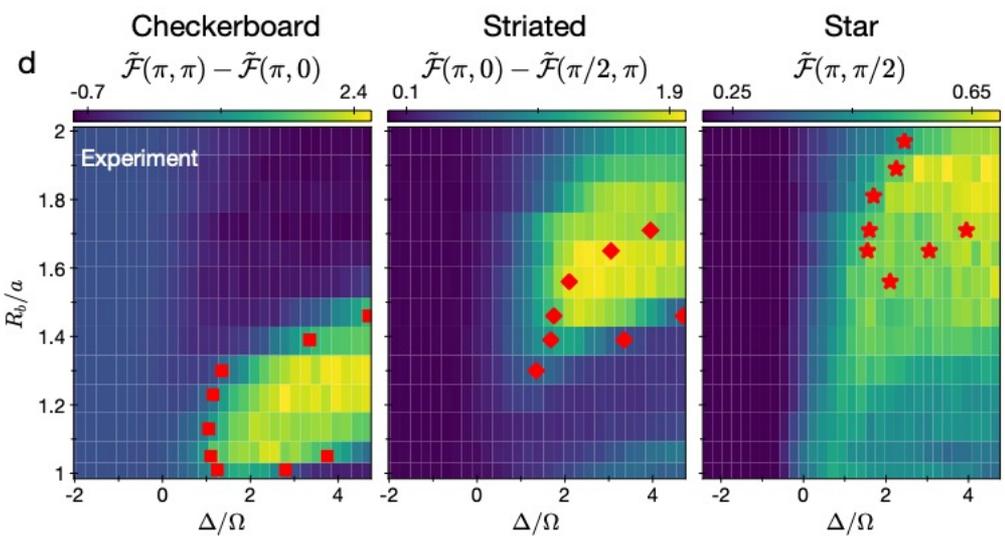
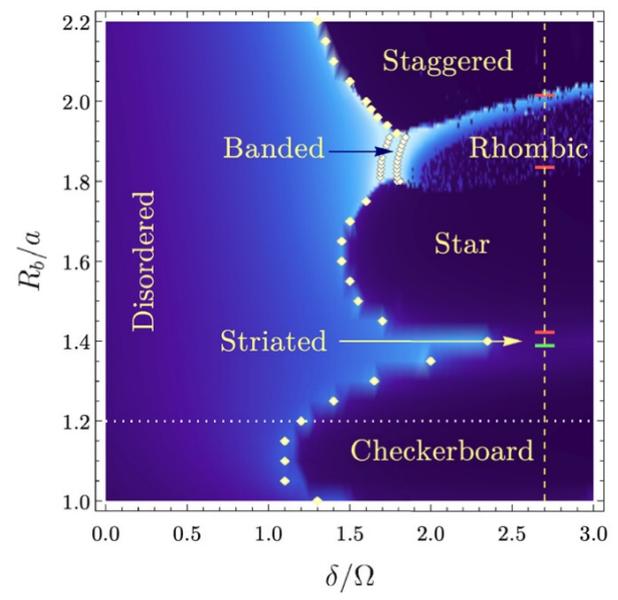
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Vary $(C_6/a^6)/\Omega$



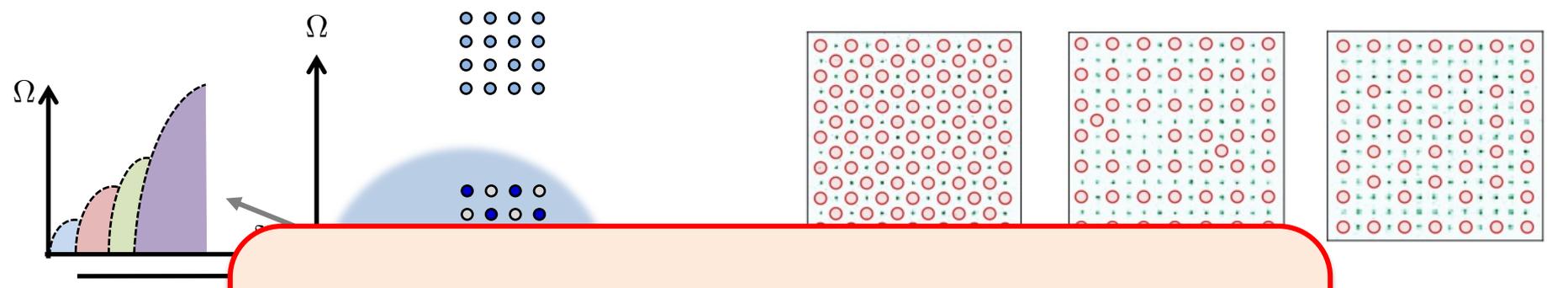
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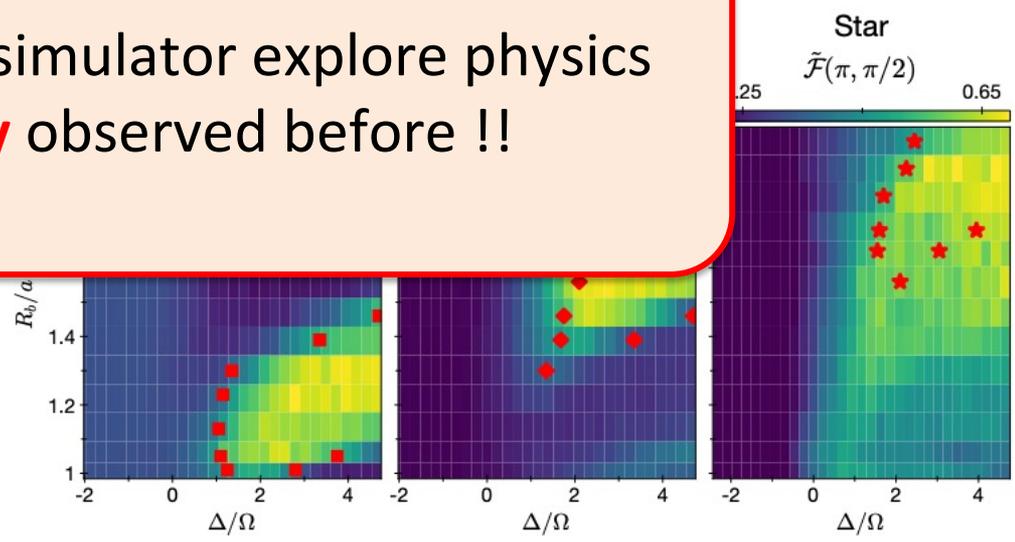
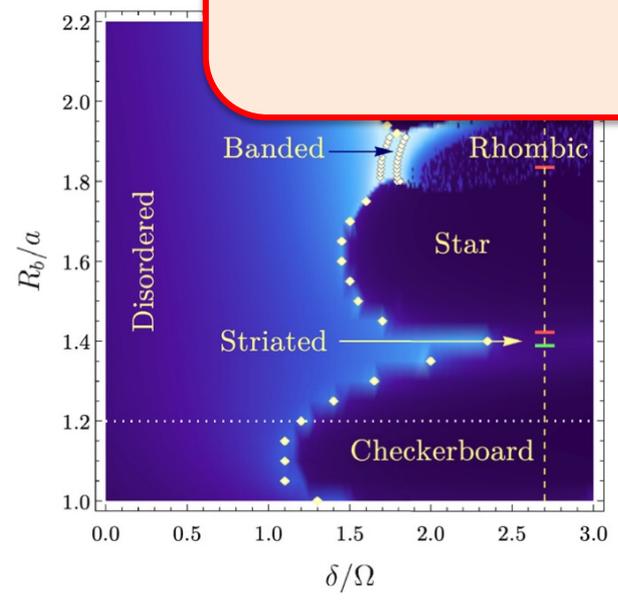
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Rydberg quantum simulator explore physics **never directly** observed before !!

Vary (C_6)

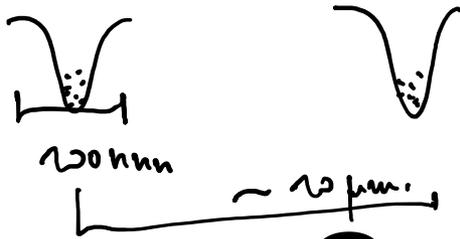


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Role of Shot-to-shot fluctuations: in positions of the atoms.

$$J \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z$$



Questions ?

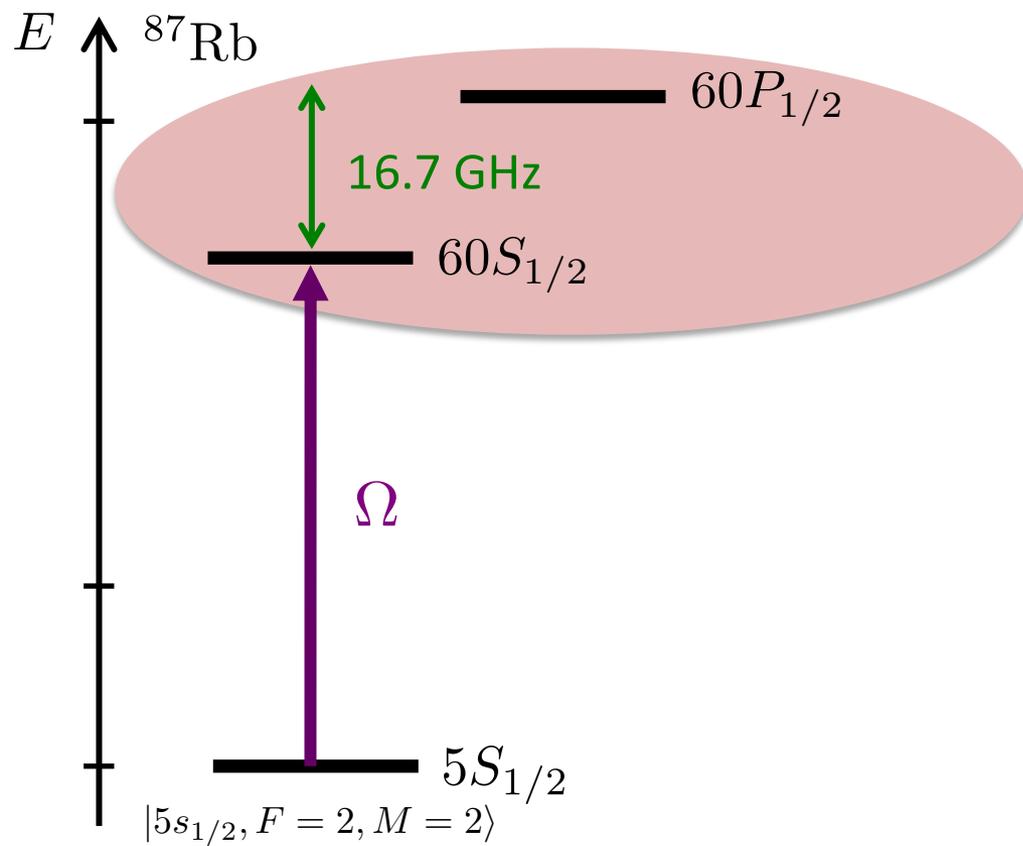
Outline

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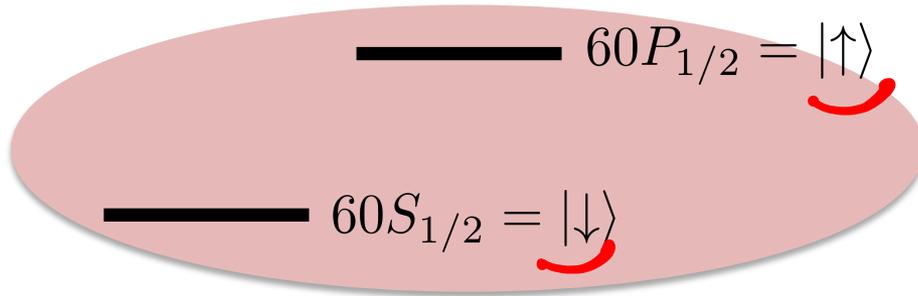


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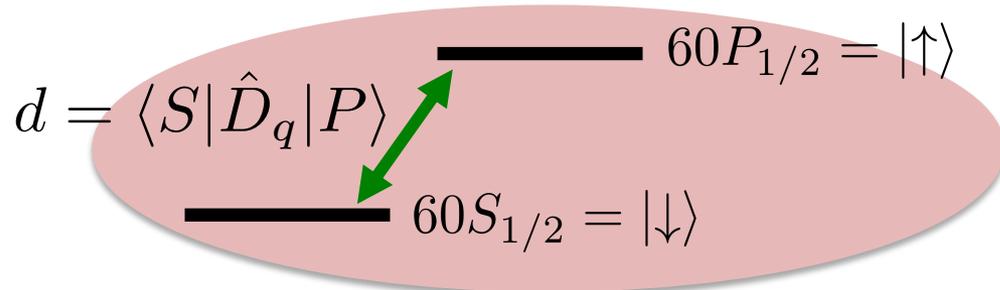


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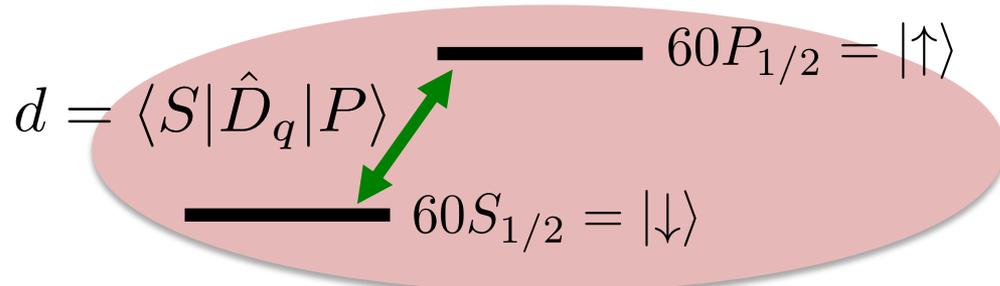
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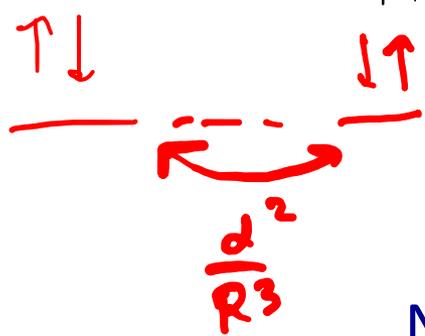
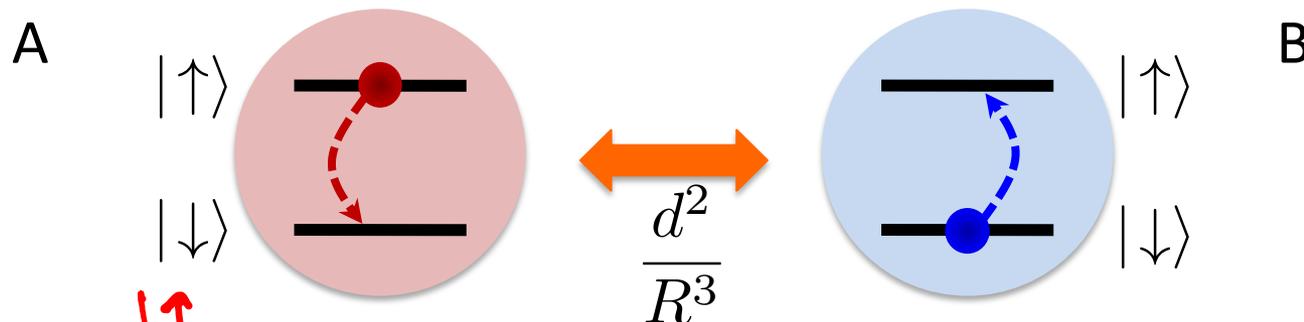
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$$\hat{H} = \frac{d^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R^3} (\hat{\sigma}_A^+ \hat{\sigma}_B^- + \hat{\sigma}_A^- \hat{\sigma}_B^+)$$

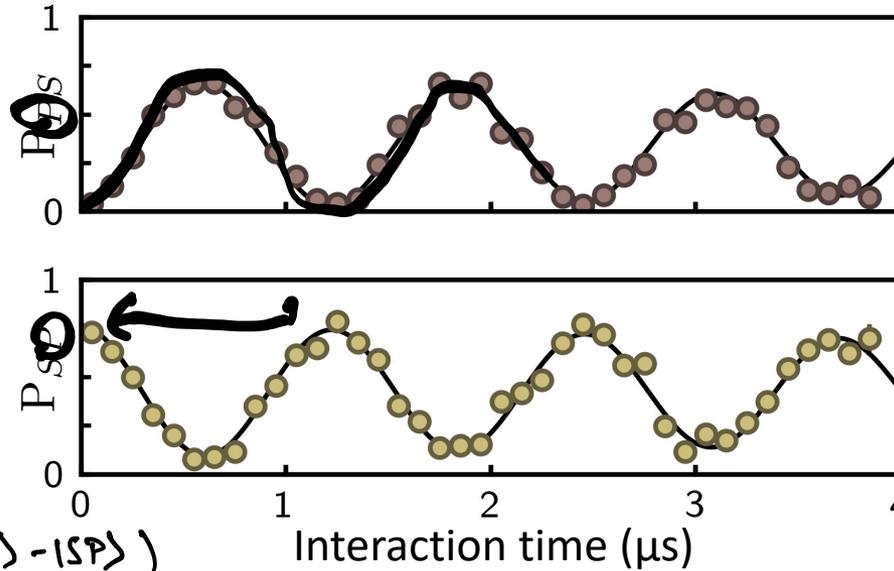
Non radiative “exchange” of excitation

Observation of resonant dip.-dip. interaction with 2 atoms

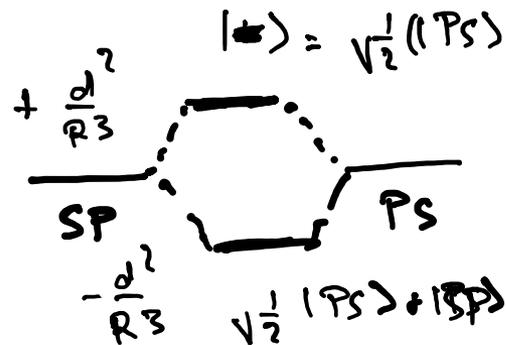
Prepare $|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle$ using microwaves + addressing beam

$R = 30 \mu\text{m}$

Frequency: $\frac{2C_3}{R^3}$



Barredo PRL (2015)
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$$|\psi(0)\rangle = |PS\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|+\rangle + |-\rangle)$$

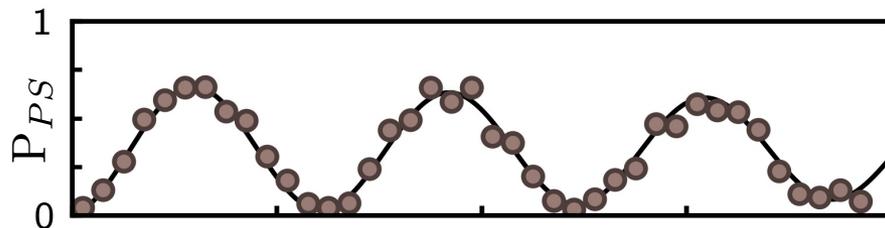
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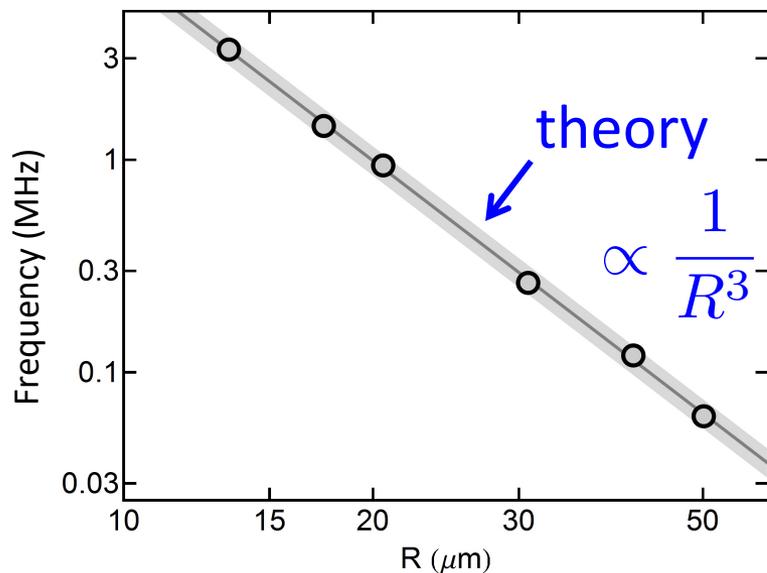
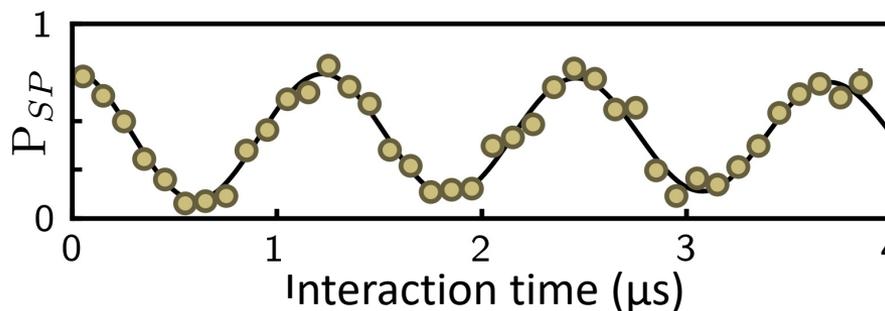
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Thickness:

Paper sheet $\sim 100 \mu\text{m}$

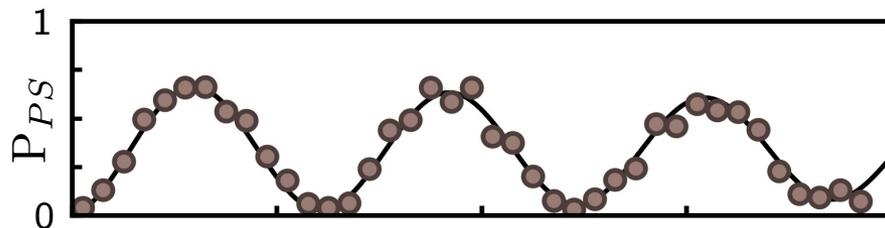
Hair $\sim 50 - 100 \mu\text{m}$

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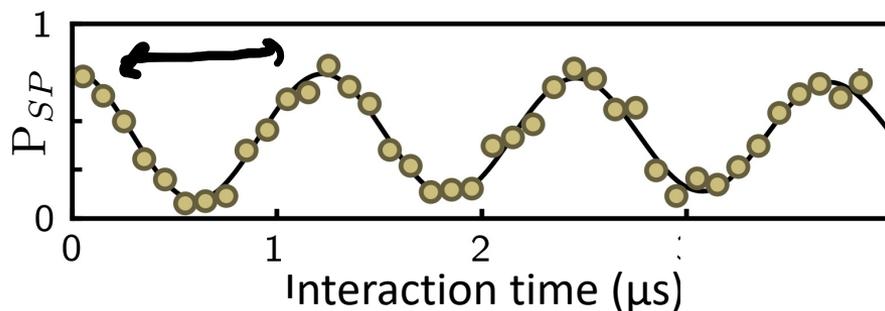
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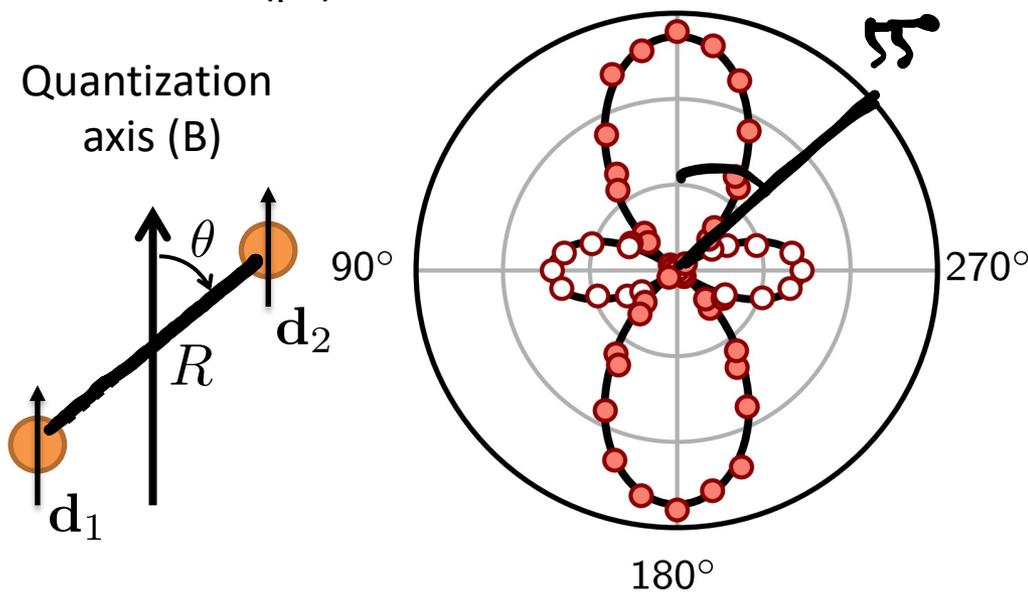
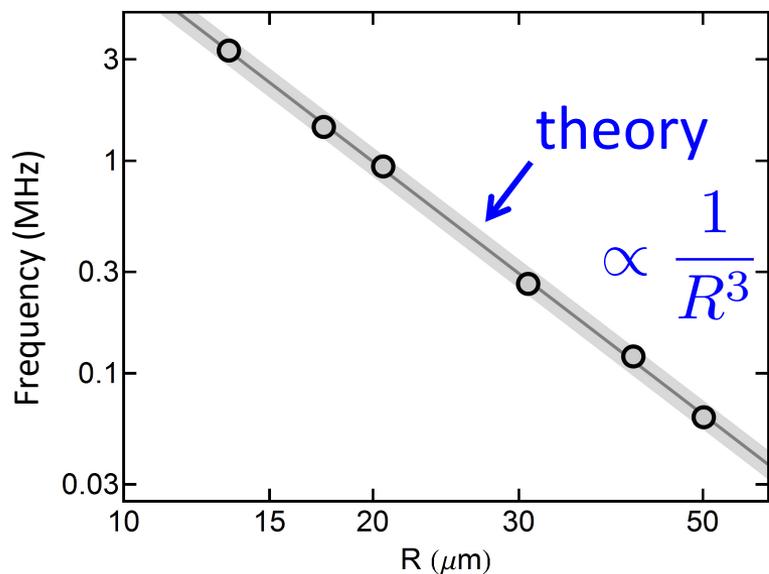
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$C_3(\theta) \propto 1 - 3 \cos^2 \theta$

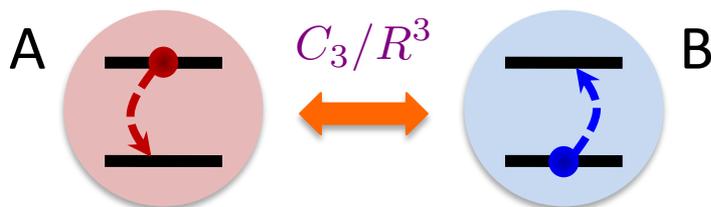
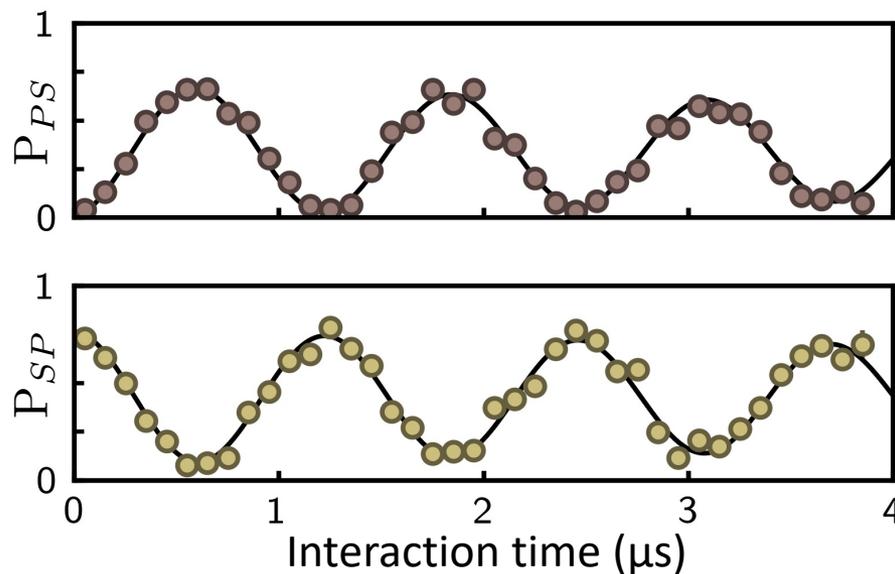


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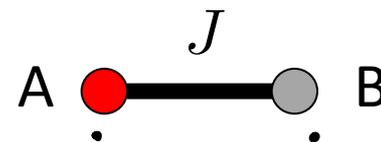
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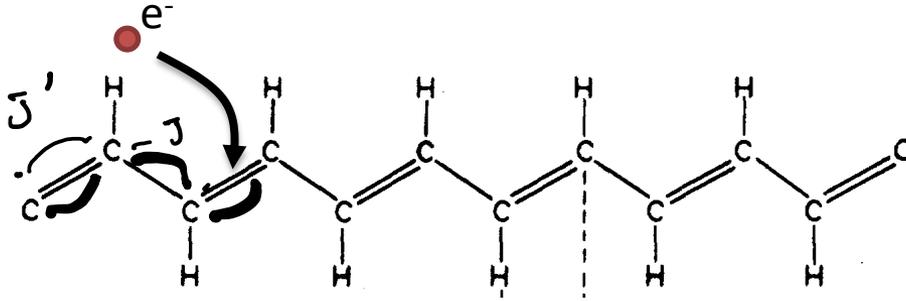
P excitation exchange



Particle hopping

$$J|A\rangle\langle B|$$

The Su-Schrieffer-Heeger model

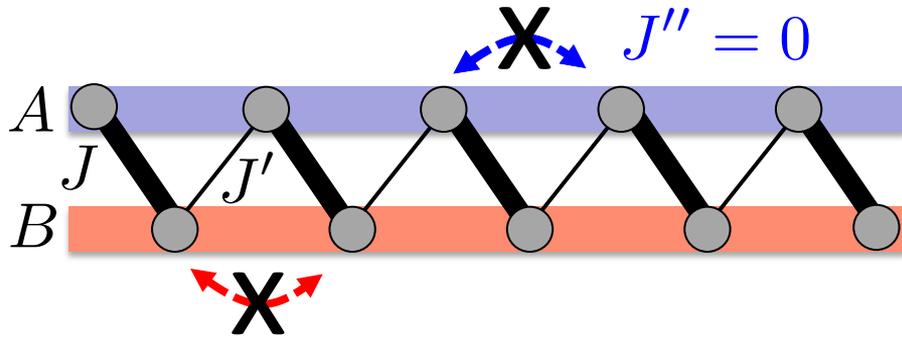


Electronic transport in
polyacetylene

PRL **42**, 1698 (1979)

Now, considered as simplest example of **topological** model

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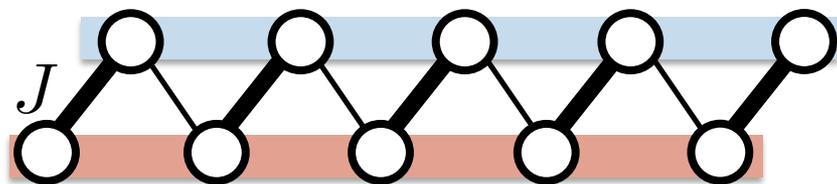


Model: tight-binding
dimerization: $J > J'$

Sub-lattice symmetry \Rightarrow symmetric **single particle** spectrum

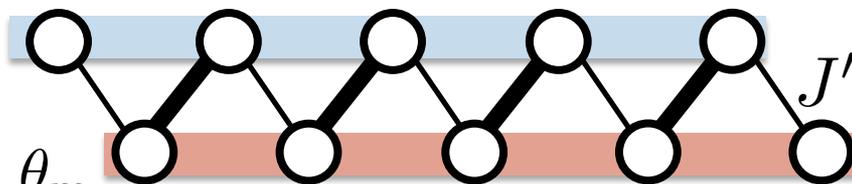
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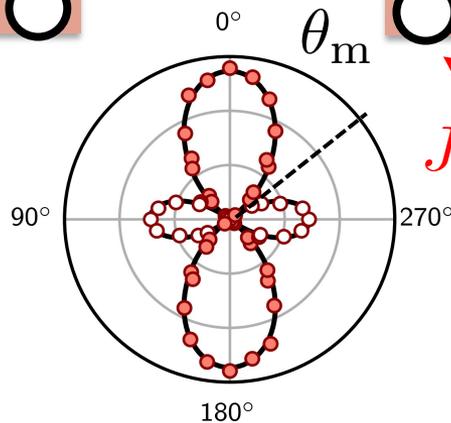
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Normal



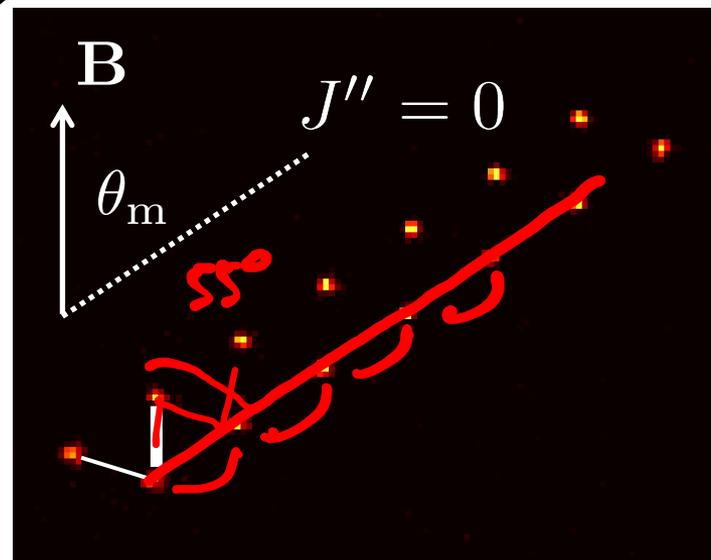
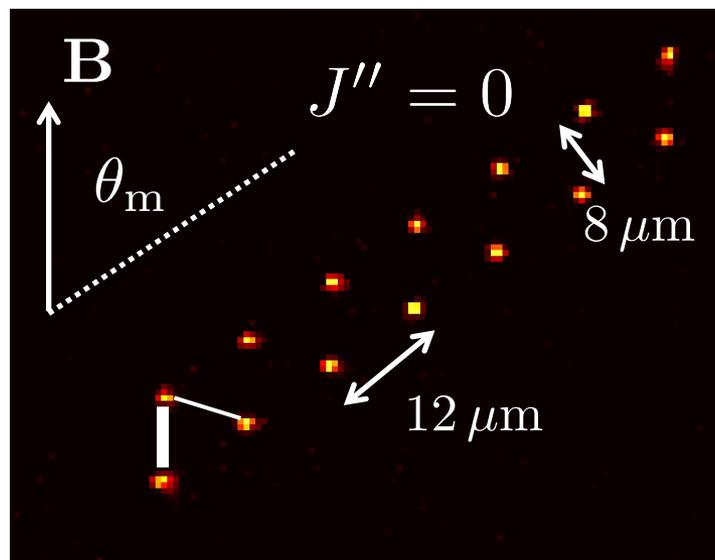
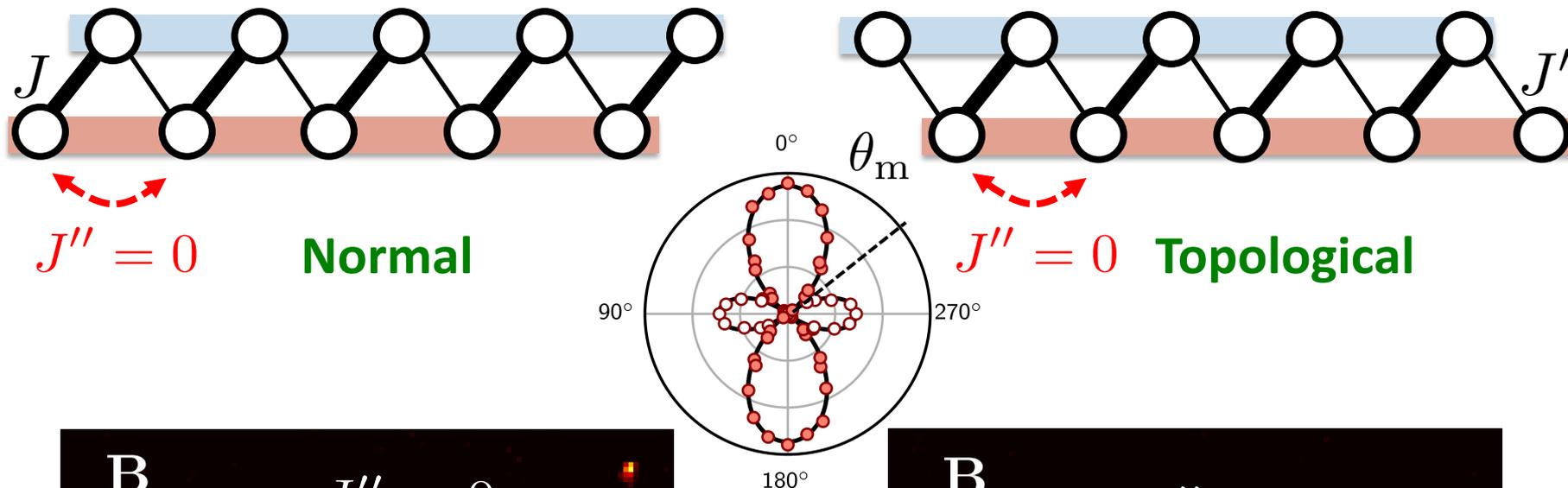
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$$J/h = 2.4 \text{ MHz} \quad J'/h = -0.9 \text{ MHz}$$

Conclusion

Rydberg interactions are strong & controllable

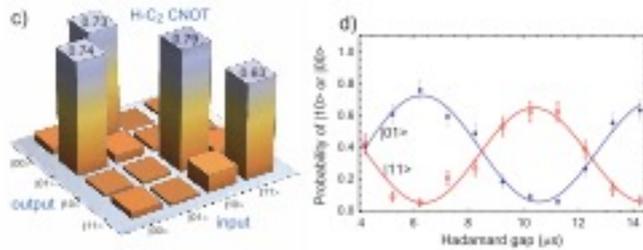
1. Resonant interaction
2. Van der Waals

$$R = 10 \mu\text{m} \Rightarrow V_{\text{int}}/h \sim 1 - 10 \text{ MHz}$$
$$\Rightarrow \text{timescales} < \mu\text{sec}$$

Control over interaction useful for many-body physics & quantum simulation

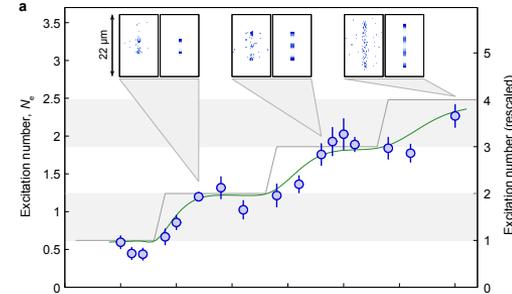
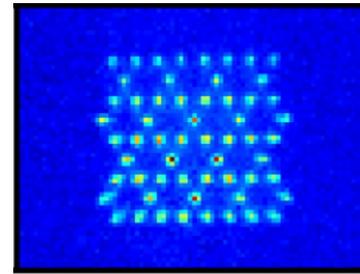
New / other directions: ... a few examples

QIP: entanglement and gates



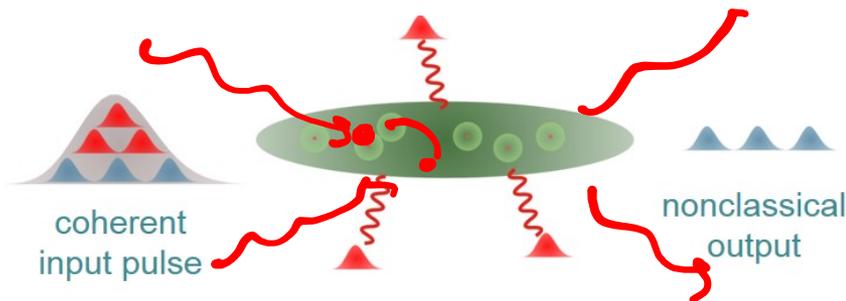
Saffman RMP **82**, 2313 (2010)
Saffman, Biedermann, Lukin...

Many-body physics Quantum simulation



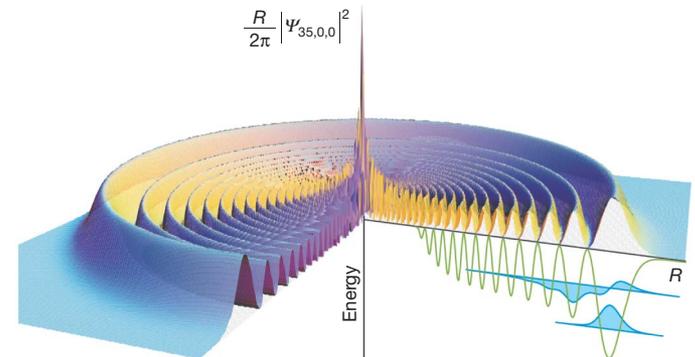
Browaeys, Lukin, Bloch, Pillet, Weidemuller, Morsch...

Non-linear classical & quantum optics



Adams, Hofferbert, Firstenberg, Lukin, Vuletic...

Exotic long-range molecules



Pfau-Löw, Ott, Shaeffer ...

Platform mature enough to envision applications...

Startups recently created to develop industry graded simulators



Applications: scientific computing, optimization in finance and industry...

