

Atomic Spin **Entanglement** and **Anyonic Statistics** in **Optical Lattices**



Zhen-Sheng Yuan (中国科大 苑震生)

University of Science and Technology of China

University of Science and Technology of China (USTC)





The team, QPQI @ USTC



The team, QPQI @ USTC



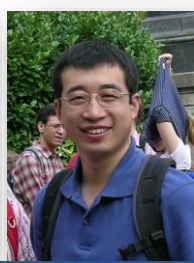
Jian-Wei Pan



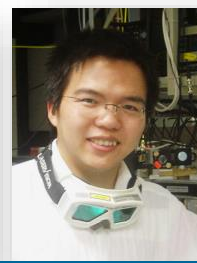
包小辉



陈凯



Shuai Chen



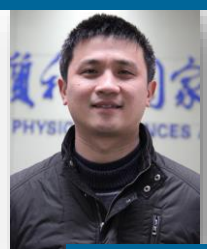
Yu-Ao Chen



陆朝阳



徐飞虎



Zhen-Sheng Yuan



Bo Zhao



You-Jin Deng



张强



张军



刘乃乐



朱晓波



霍永恒



Xing-Can Yao



王喜林



郁司夏



Hanning Dai



陈腾云



江晓



印娟



任继刚



廖胜凯



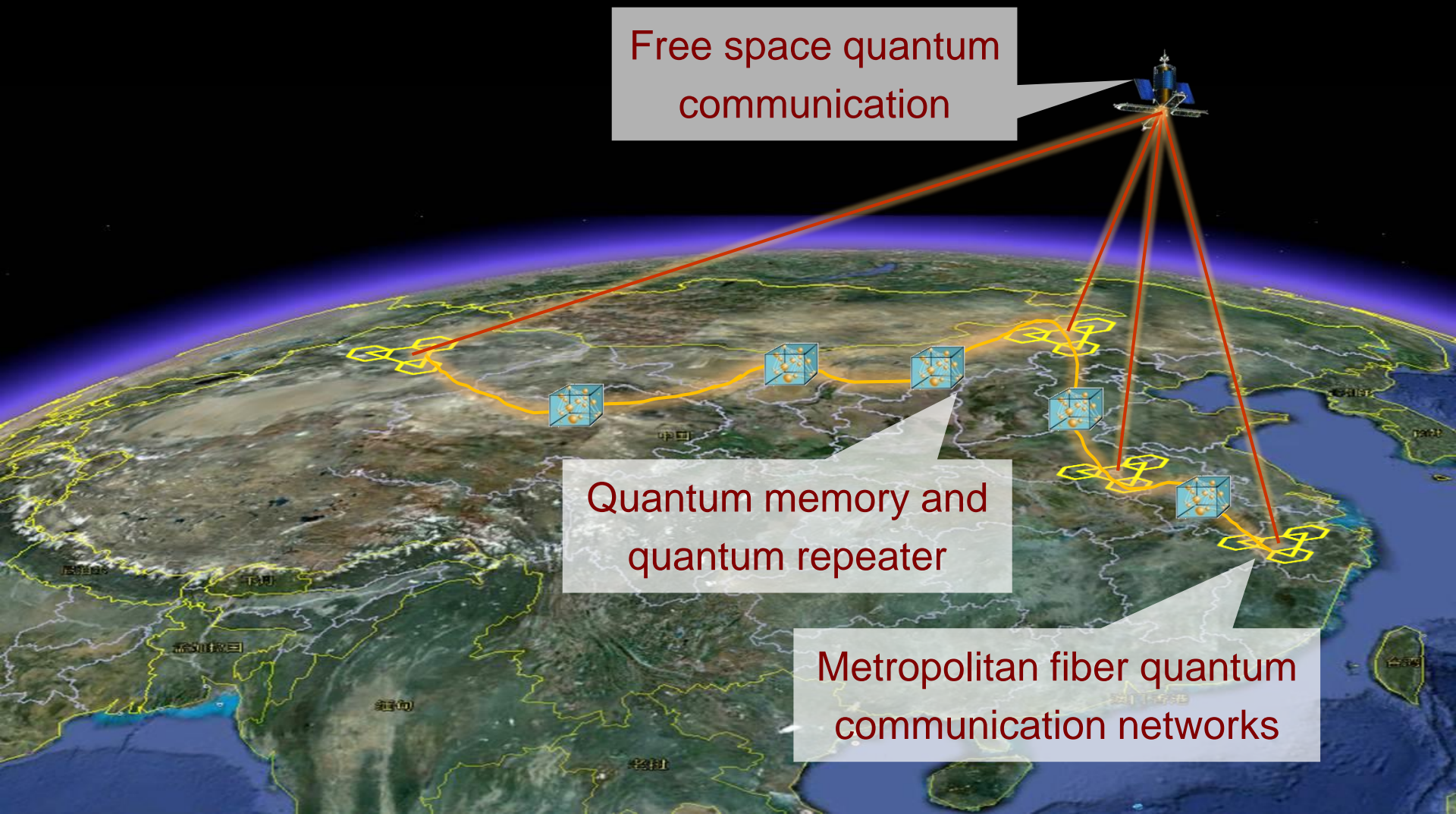
李力

Introduction to our team



Research field: quantum information processing with photons and atoms

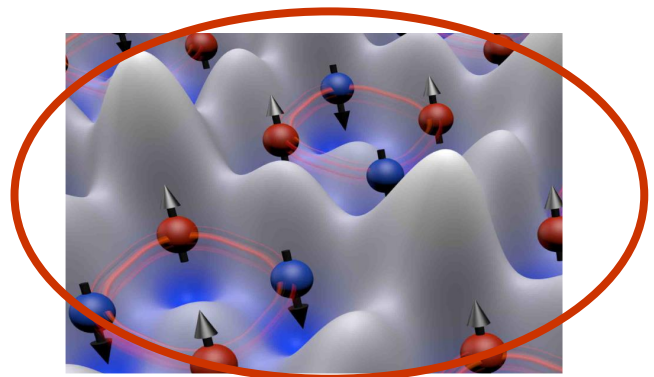
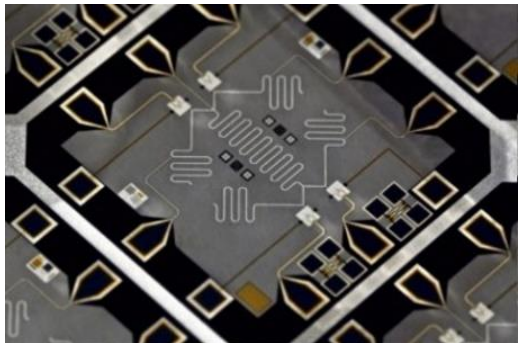
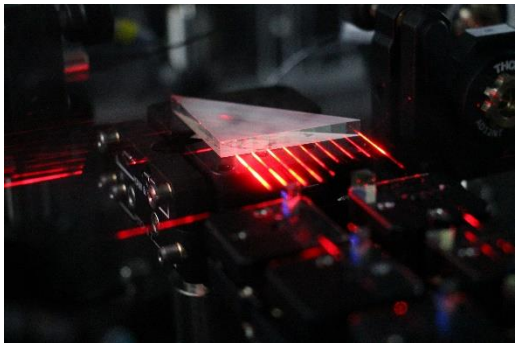
➤ Quantum communication



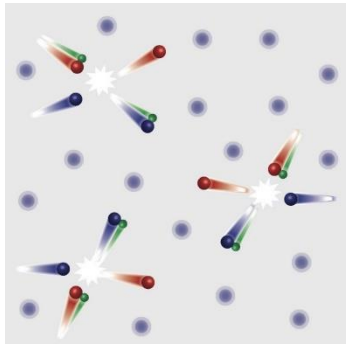
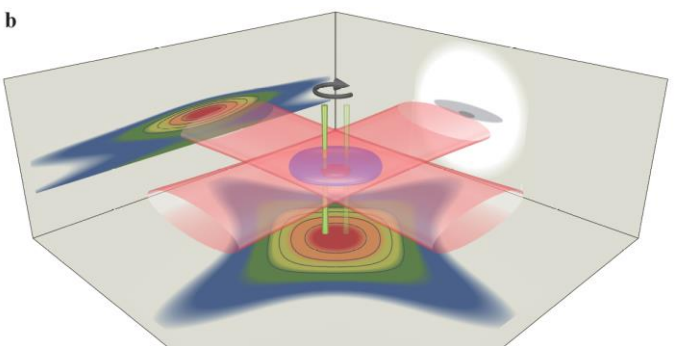
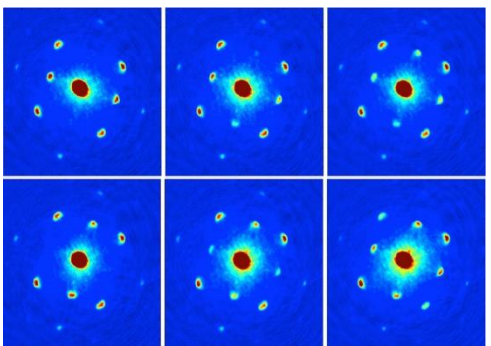
Introduction to our team

Research field: quantum information processing with photons and atoms

- Quantum computation and simulation with

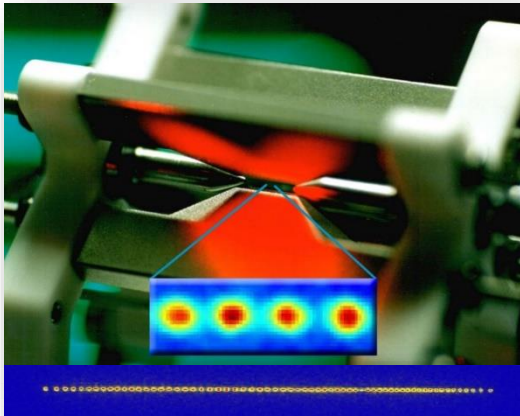


Multi-photon entanglement Superconducting qubit Atom-atom entanglement

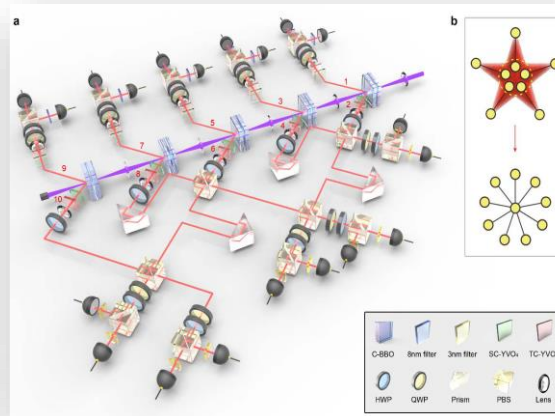


Ultracold Bose gases (SOC) Ultracold Fermion mixture Ultracold molecule

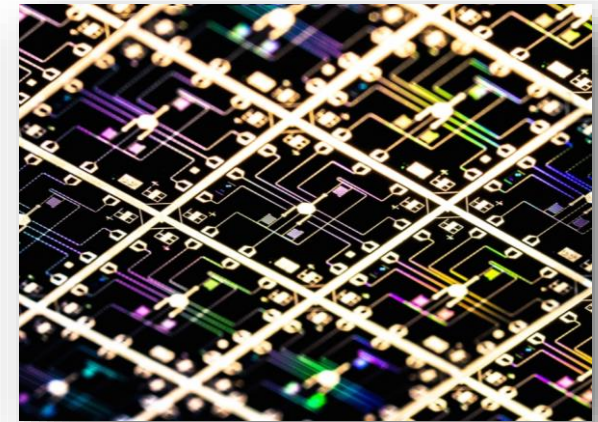
Resource for QIP, Entangled states



Ions: R. Blatt, C. Monroe



Photons: Jian-Wei Pan



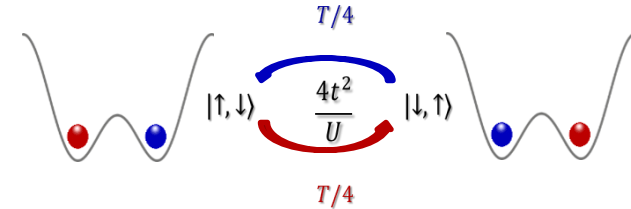
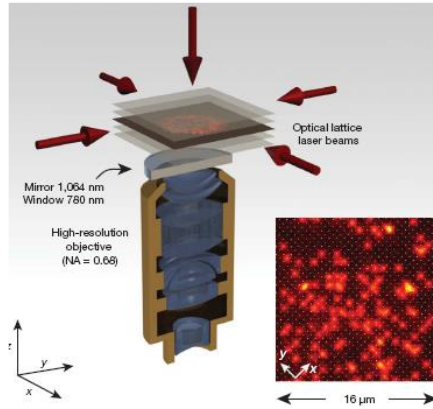
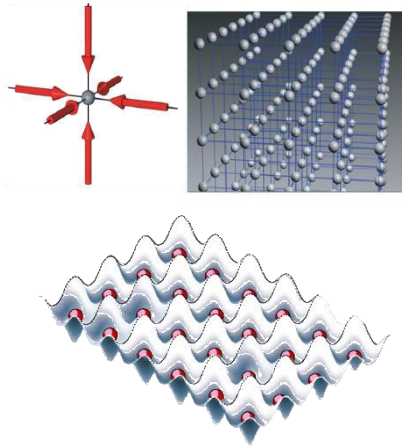
Superconductors: Google, IBM, Intel

Ions: Monz et al, PRL **106**, 130506 (2011); N. Friis et al, PRX **8**, 021012 (2018);
J Zhang et al, Nature **551**, 601 (2017)

Photons: X-L Wang et al, PRL **117**, 210502 (2016); arXiv:1801.04043

Superconducting qubits: P. Roushan et al, Science **358**, 1175 (2017) Google;
N. Kalb et al, Science **356**, 928 (2017), intel Qutech; IBM 49 qubits; Yale;

Scalability: atoms in optical lattice

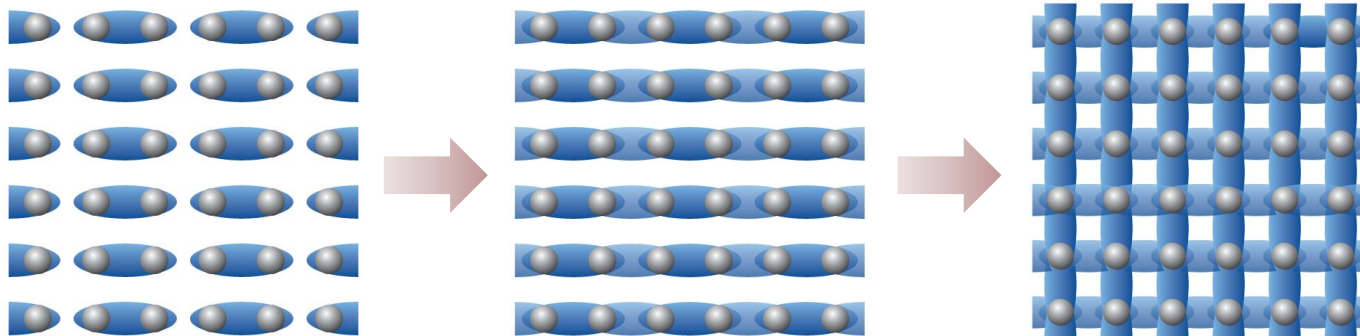


Optical lattice: an array of well coherently controlled cold atoms

in-situ imaging: only one atom trapped in a lattice

Spin exchange interaction: generate spin-spin entanglement

Multi-atom entanglement!



Vaucher *et al*, NJP (2008)

Scalability: fault tolerable qubits

To overcome qubit errors in quantum computing

➤ Error-correcting code

- Shor, PRA 52, R2493 (1995) 9qubits
- Steane, PRL 77, 793 (1996) 7qubits
- Laflamme *et al.*, PRL 77, 198 (1996) 5qubits

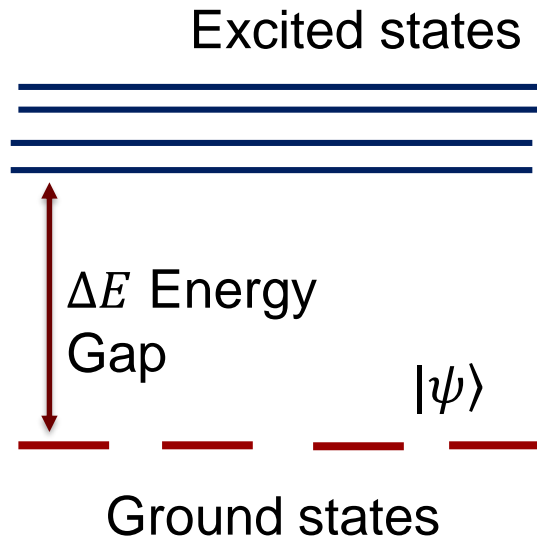
☒ Traditional concatenated codes require error rate $< 2 \times 10^{-5}$!

➤ Protect quantum bits/gates at the physical level -- topological quantum computing

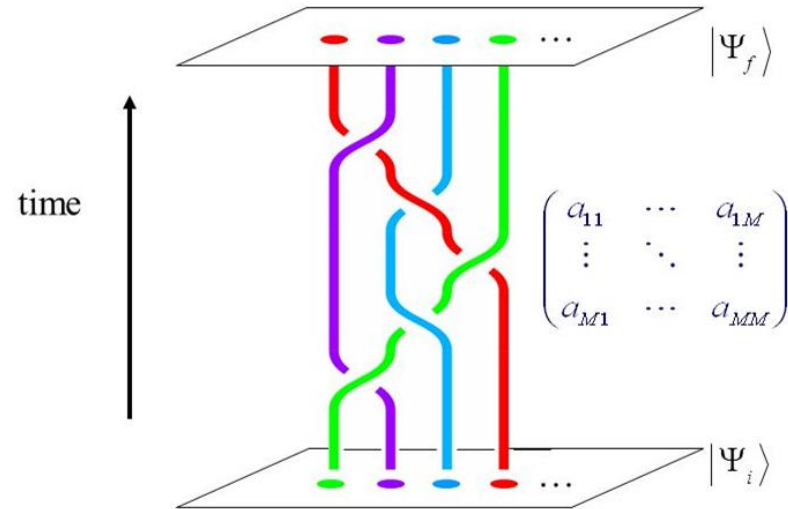
- Kitaev, Ann. Phys. 303, 2 (2003); Ann. Phys. 321, 2 (2006)
- Raussendorf *et al.*, Ann. Phys. 321, 2242 (2003)
- Nayak *et al.*, RMP 80 (3): 1083 (2008)

☑ Relax the error threshold rate from 10^{-5} to 10^{-2}

Topological Quantum Computation



Protect qubits with energy gap



Quantum gates--Braiding Anyons

✘ **Anthony James Leggett:** ...no naturally occurring system is likely to have a Hamiltonian (for topological computing); Purpose-engineered systems of optical lattices or Josephson junction arrays (are promising candidates)

Protecting qubits with energy gap

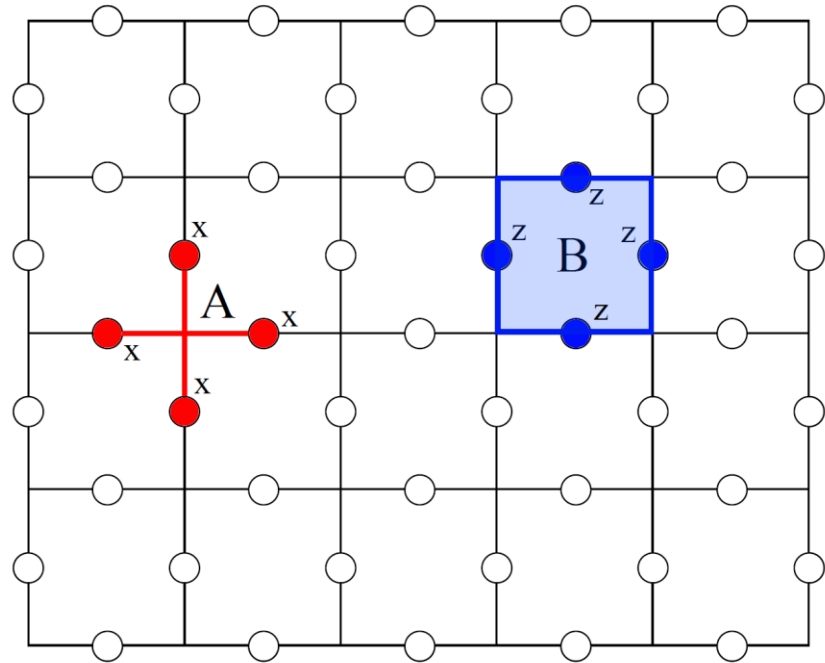
Hamiltonian:

$$H_0 = - \sum_s A_s - \sum_p B_p$$

$$A_s = \prod_{j \in \text{star}(s)} \sigma_j^x$$

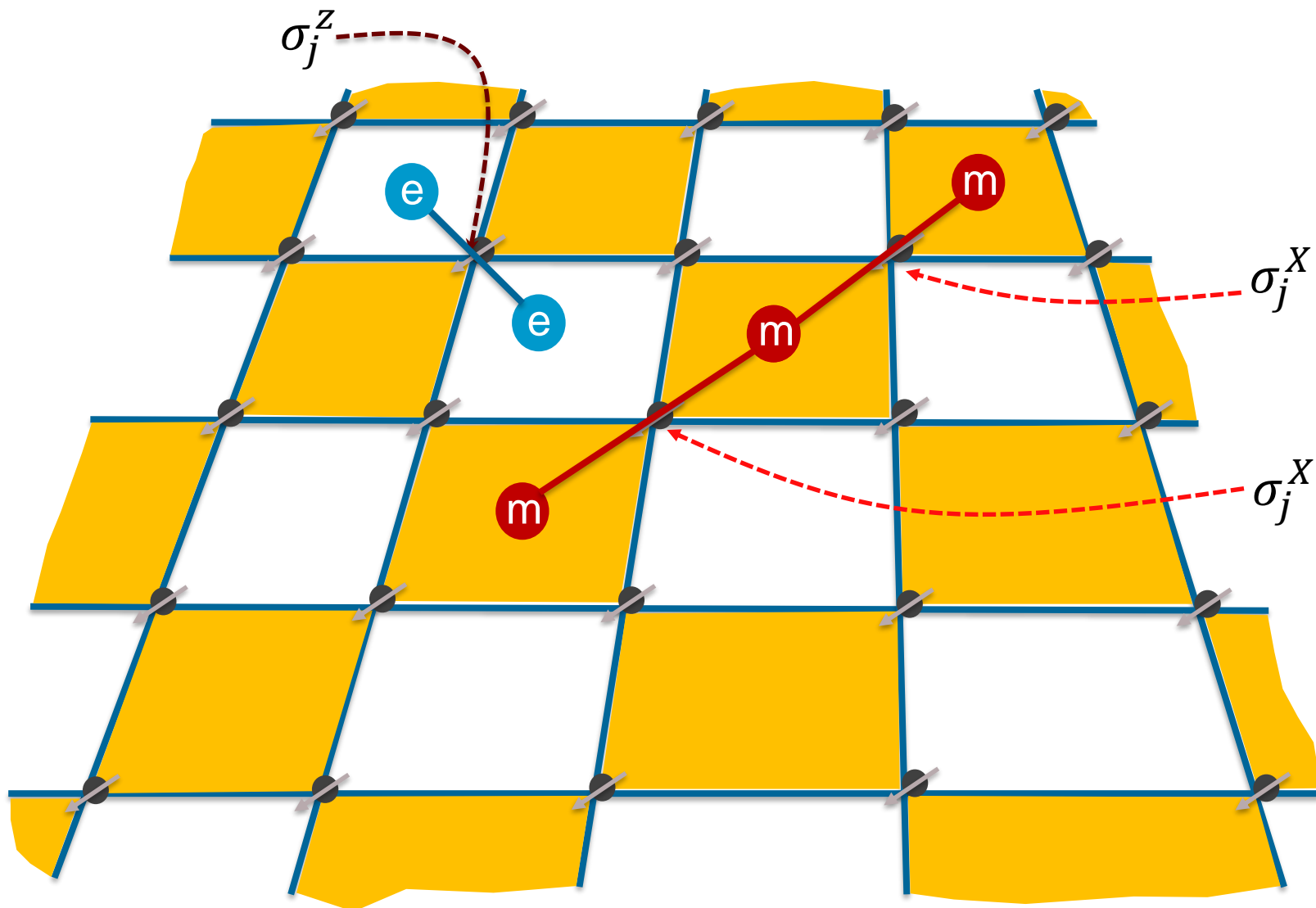
$$B_p = \prod_{j \in \text{boundary}(p)} \sigma_j^z$$

- Four-body interaction
- Abelian Anyons: e , m excitations



Kitaev, Annals of Physics 303, 2 (2003)

Toric code -- Braiding



Toric code -- Braiding

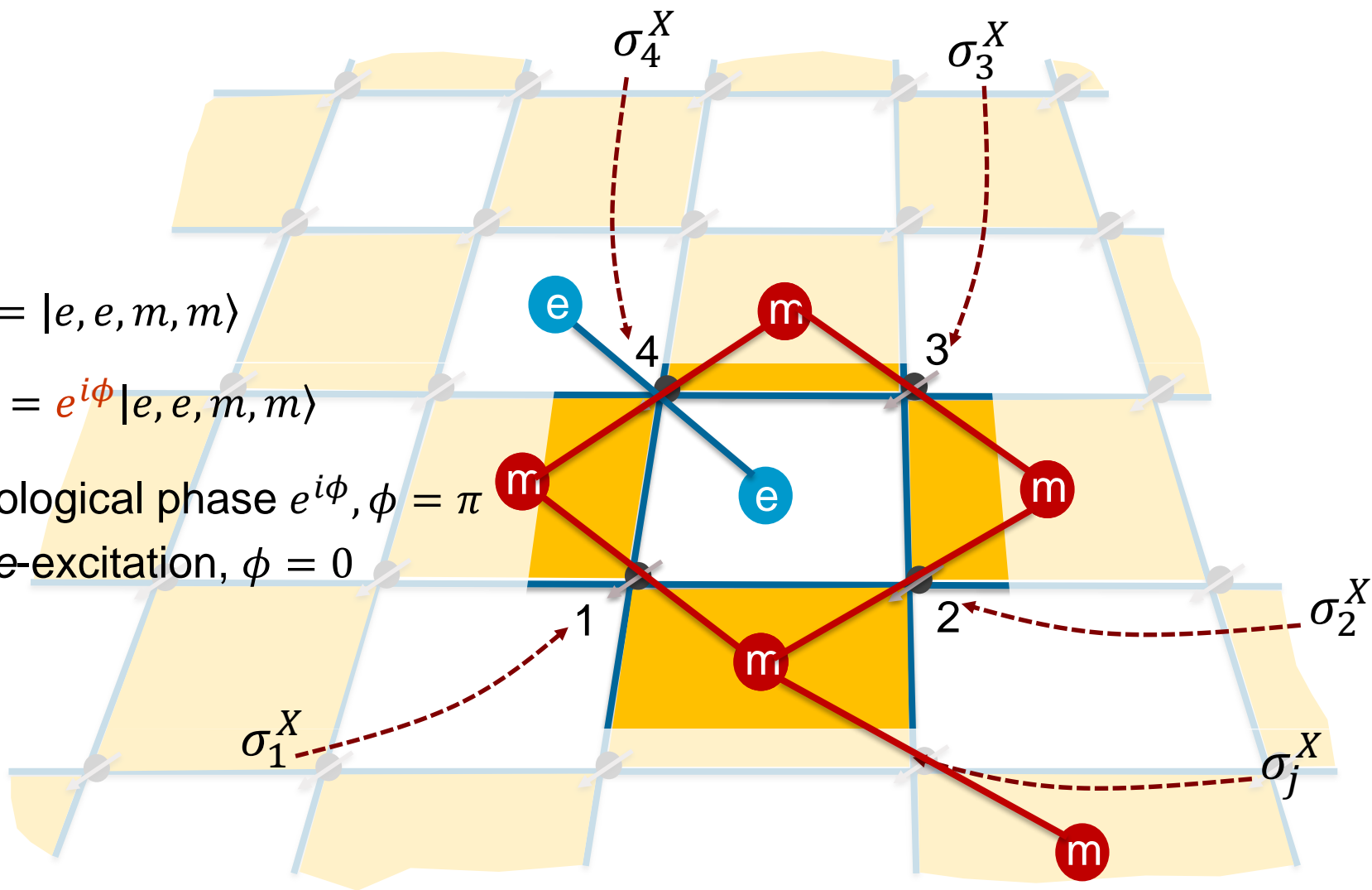


$$|\varphi\rangle = |e, e, m, m\rangle$$

$$|\varphi'\rangle = e^{i\phi} |e, e, m, m\rangle$$

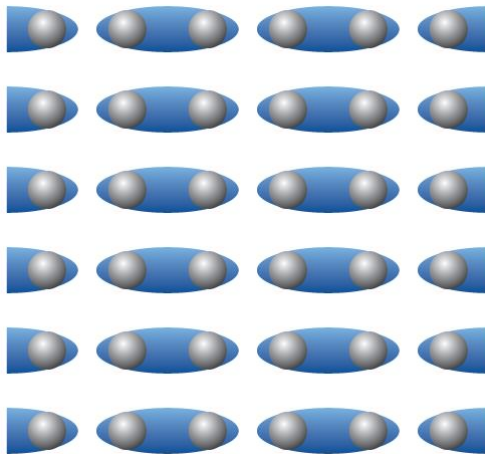
Topological phase $e^{i\phi}$, $\phi = \pi$

No e -excitation, $\phi = 0$

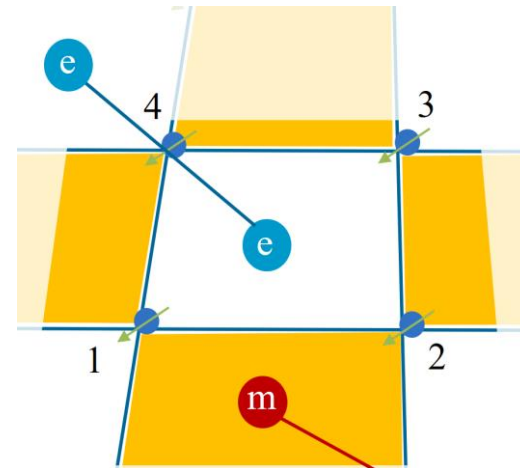


Our experiment:

- Manipulating superexchange in optical lattice
- Creating entangled atom pairs
- Manipulating four-body interaction, four-atom entanglement
- Demonstrating anyonic statistics with plaquette units

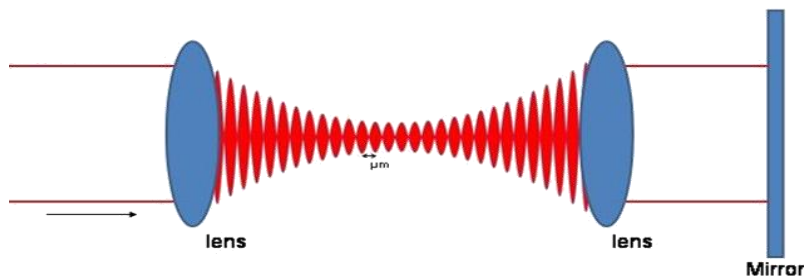


Entangled atom pairs

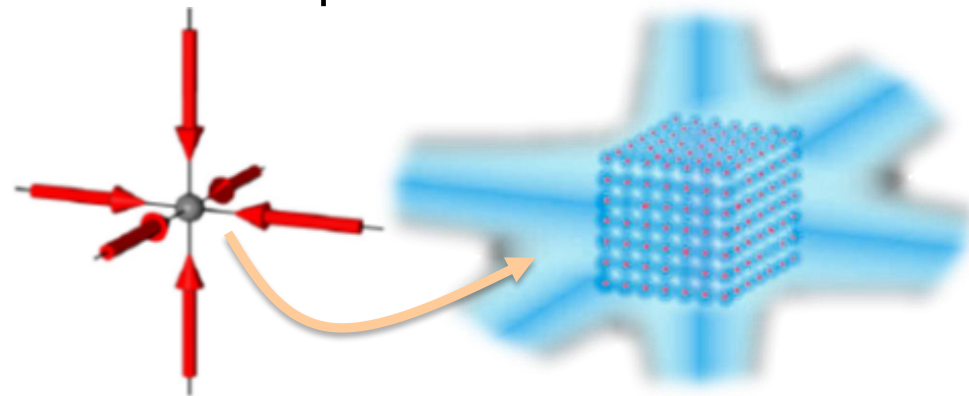


Ring exchange and Toric code

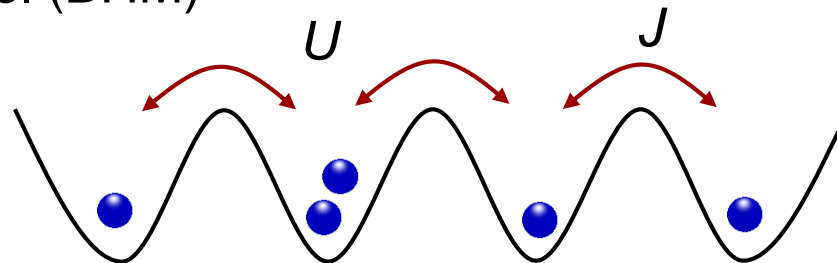
Standing wave of light



3D optical lattice



Bose-Hubbard model (BHM)

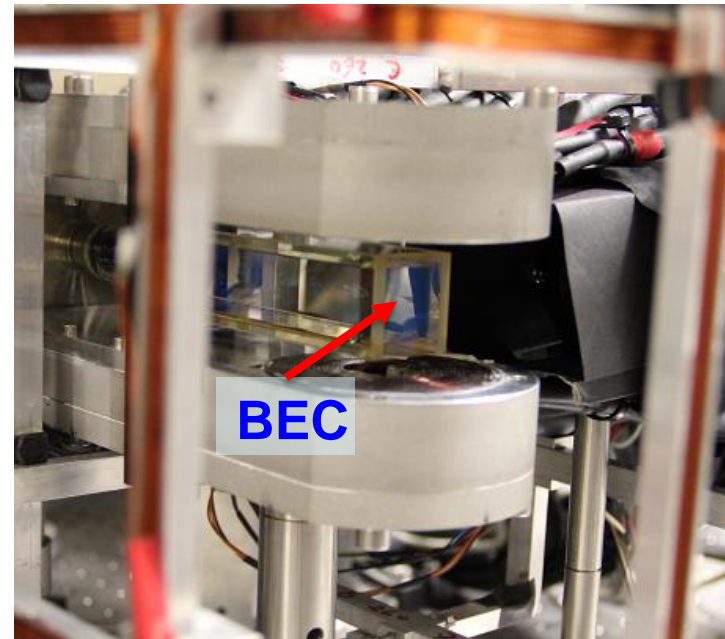
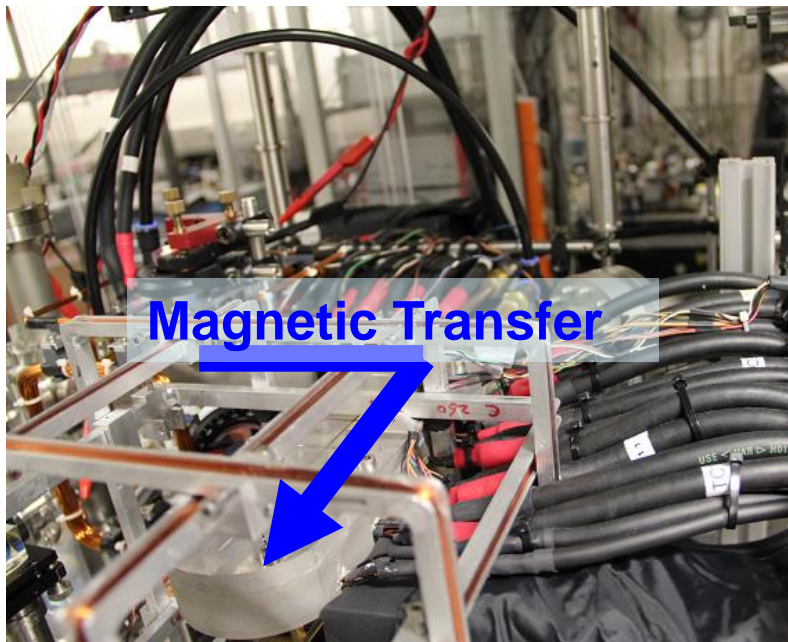
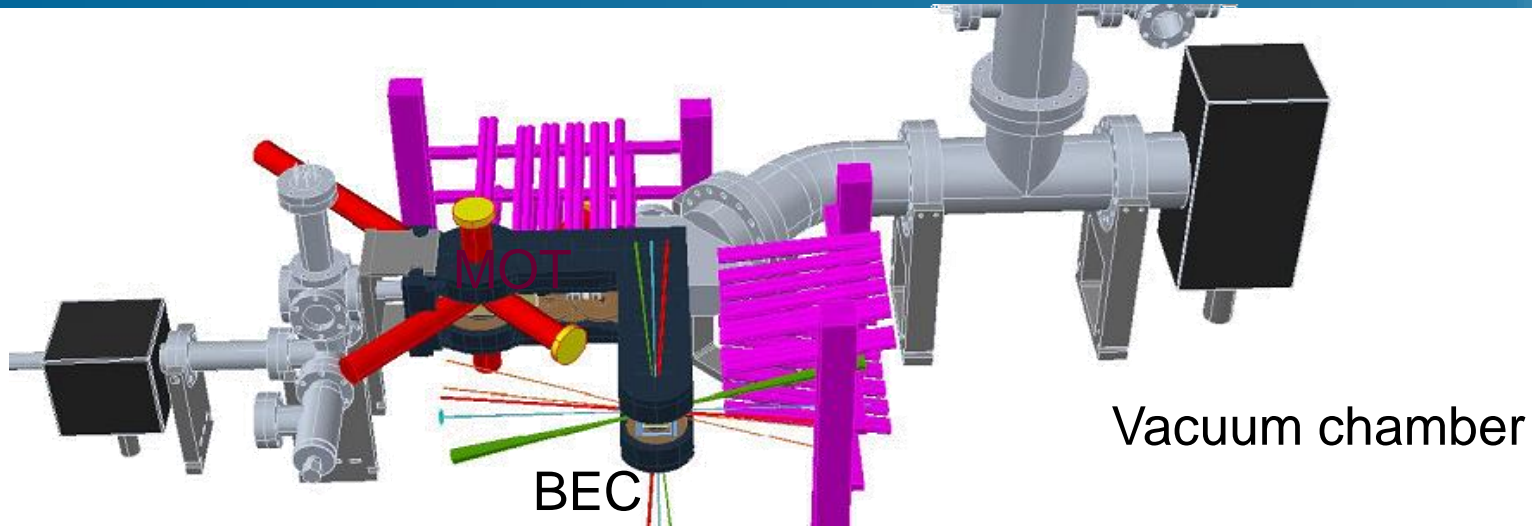


$$\hat{H} = -J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \hat{a}_i^\dagger \hat{a}_j + \frac{U}{2} \sum_i \hat{n}_i (\hat{n}_i - 1) - \sum_i \mu_i \hat{n}_i,$$

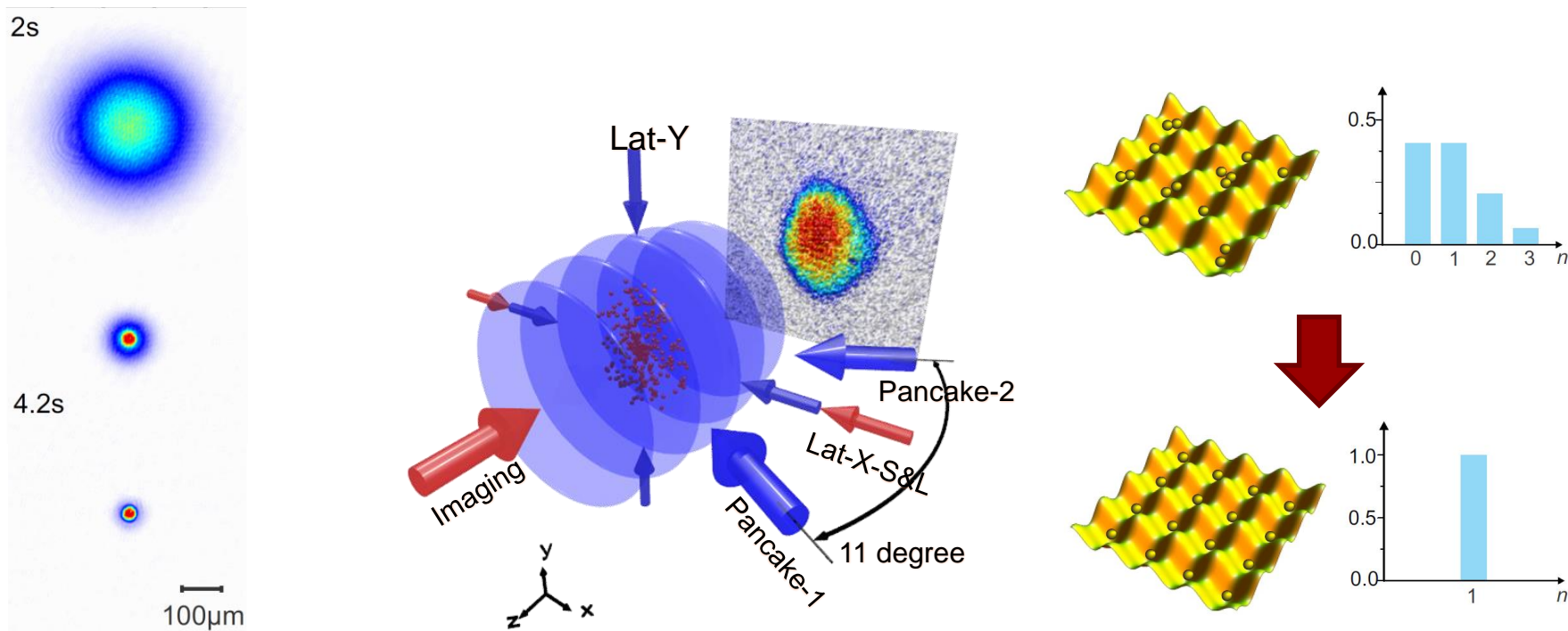
J : nearest-neighbor tunneling

U : onsite interactions

Experimental setup



Prepare a 2D quantum gas with in-situ imaging

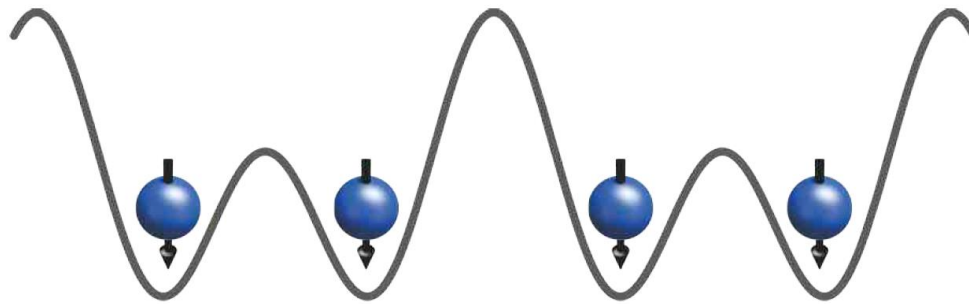
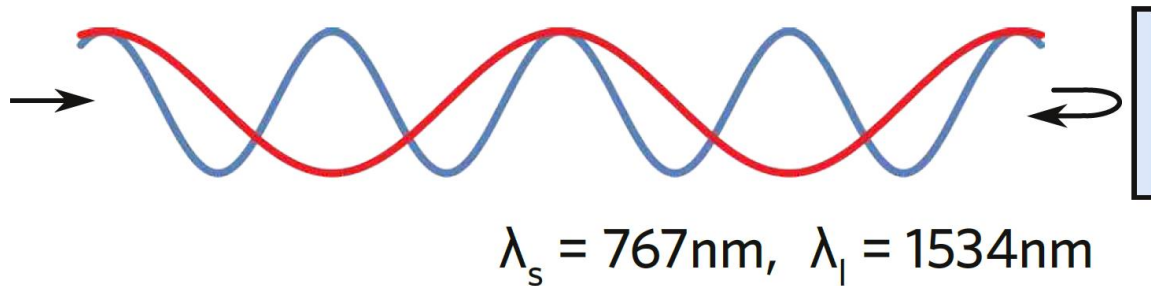


^{87}Rb : $|F = 1, m_F = -1\rangle$
 BEC 2×10^5 atoms

Load into a pancake trap
 $N_{2D} \sim 15000$, $T_{2D} = 23(3)$ nK

SF to MI transition by
 ramping up lattice depth

- Objective: NA=0.48, resolution $2 \mu\text{m}$



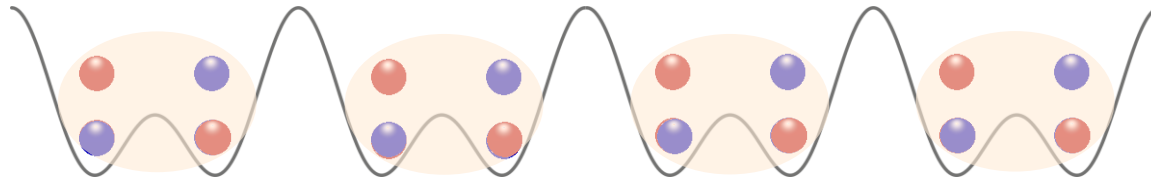
● $|\downarrow\rangle = 5S_{1/2}|F = 1, m_F = -1\rangle$ ● $|\uparrow\rangle = 5S_{1/2}|F = 2, m_F = -2\rangle$

Isolated double wells: $V(x) = V_s \cos^2(2kx + \phi_x) + V_l \cos^2(kx)$

Theory: Duan *et al.*, PRL 91, 090402 (2003)

Experiment: Trotzky *et al.*, Science 319, 295 (2008)

Interaction dominated ($U \gg J$), with pseudo spins:



$$\hat{H} = -J_{ex} \hat{S}_L \cdot \hat{S}_R$$

$$J_{ex} \sim 4J^2 / U$$

Initial state: $|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle$ is degenerate with $|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$

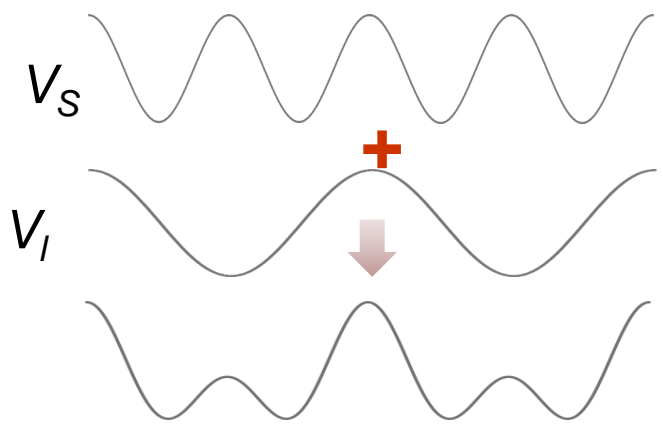
The spins will oscillate between the two configurations
with a period of $1/J_{ex}$

Stop the oscillation by increasing the barrier to create spin
entanglement

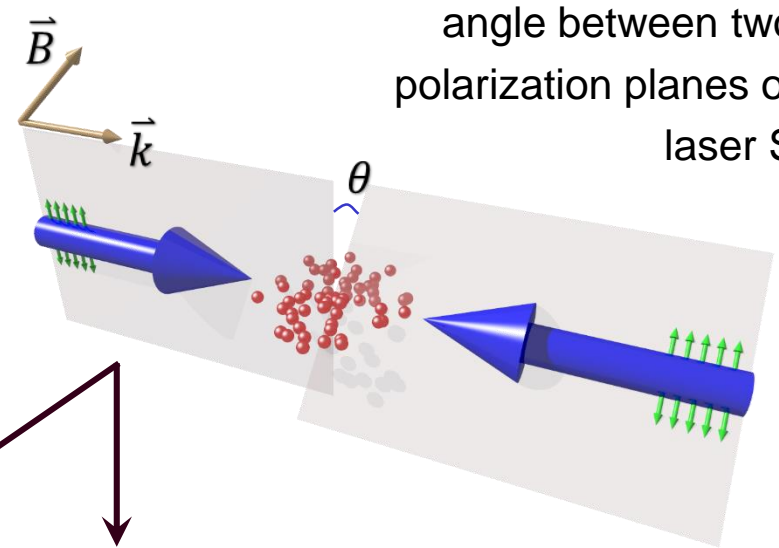
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle)$$

Spin-dependent superlattices

Normal super-lattice



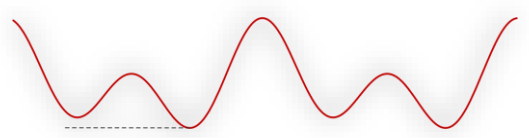
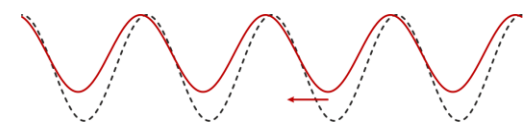
Spin-dependent superlattice



angle between two polarization planes of laser S

● $|\uparrow\rangle = 5S_{1/2}|F = 2, m_F = -2\rangle, g_F = 1/2$

● $|\downarrow\rangle = 5S_{1/2}|F = 1, m_F = -1\rangle, g_F = -1/2$



Left well is higher

Right well is higher

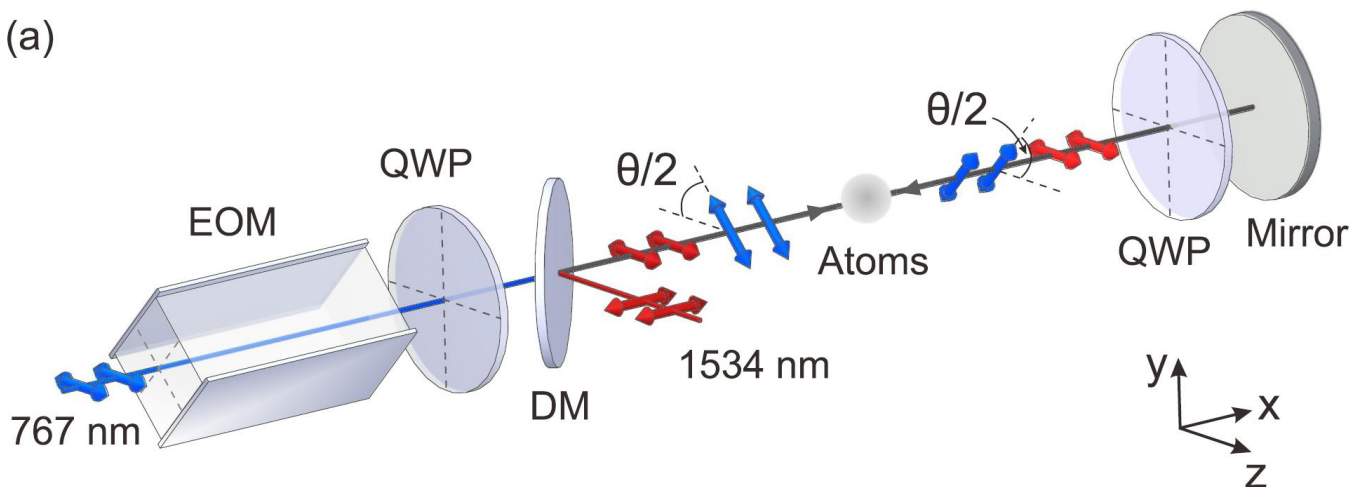


∇B

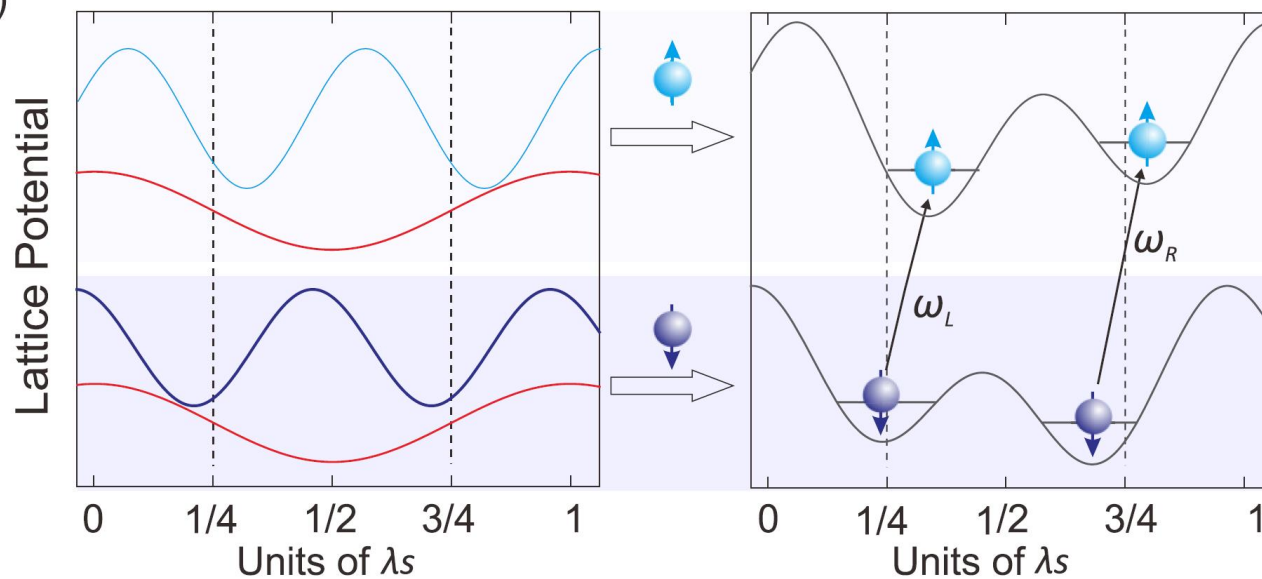


Spin-dependent superlattices

(a)

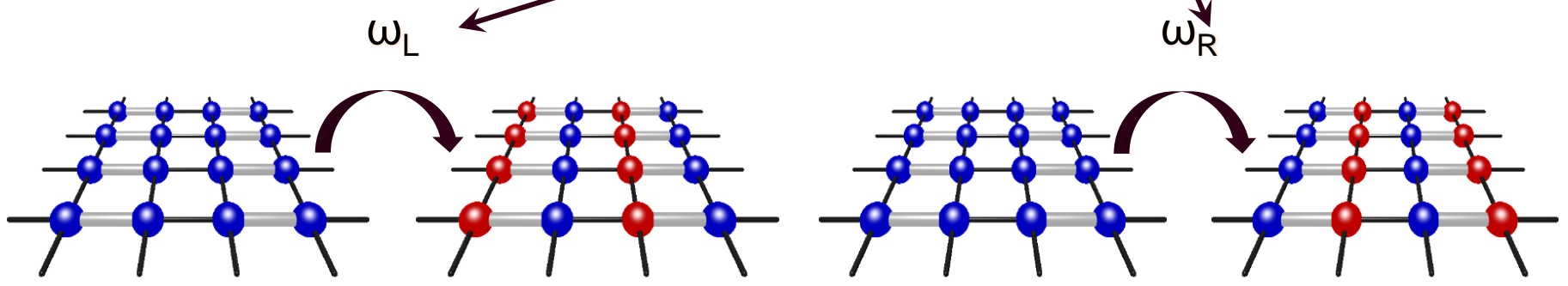
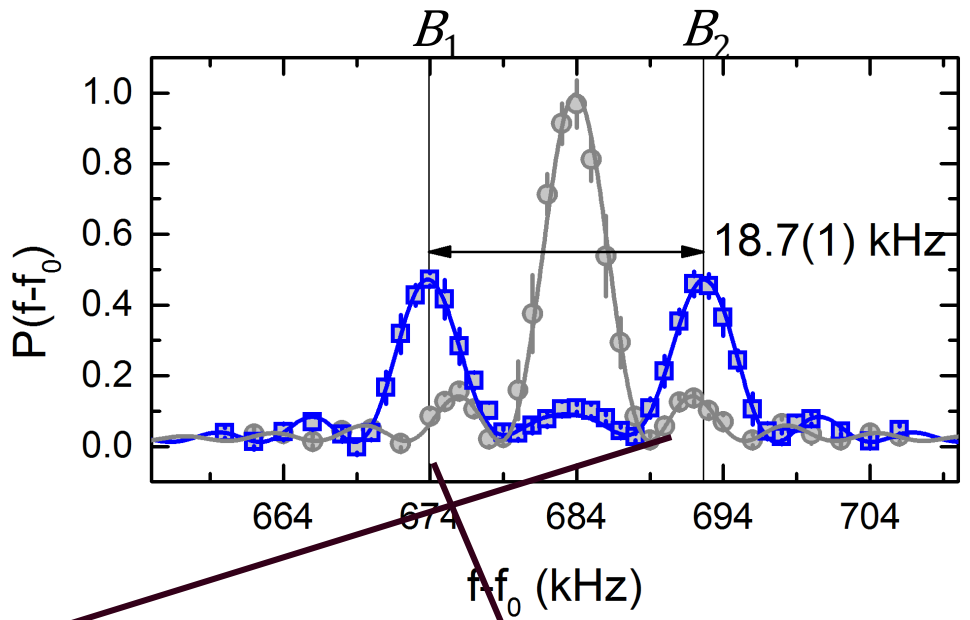
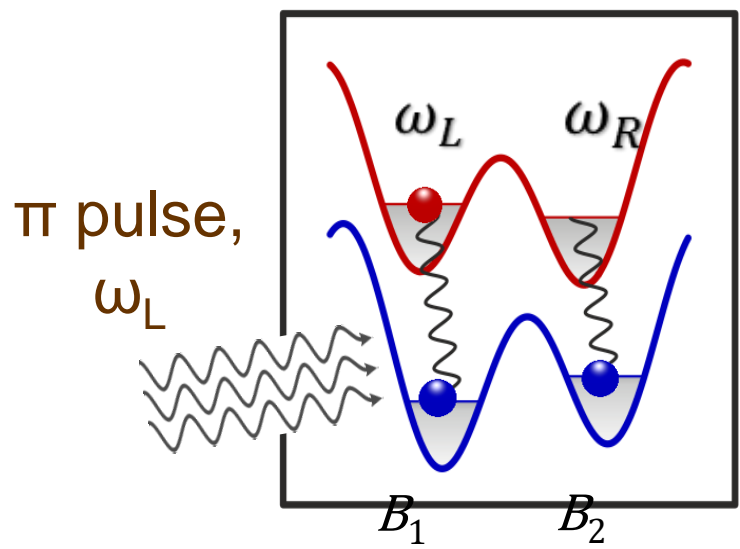


(b)

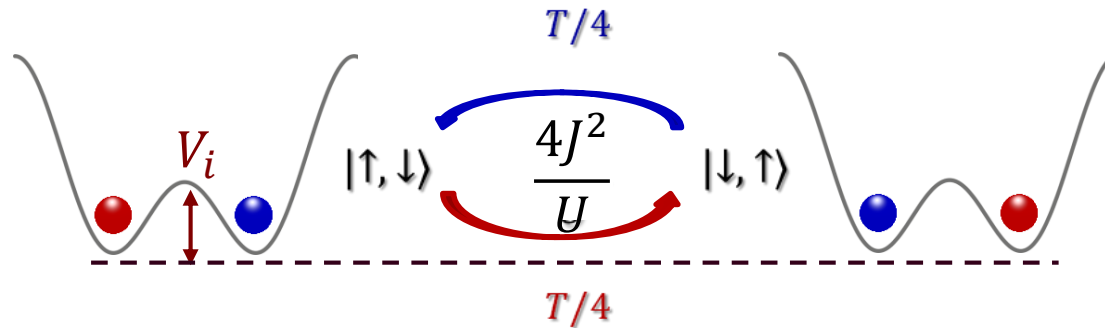


Spin-dependent superlattices

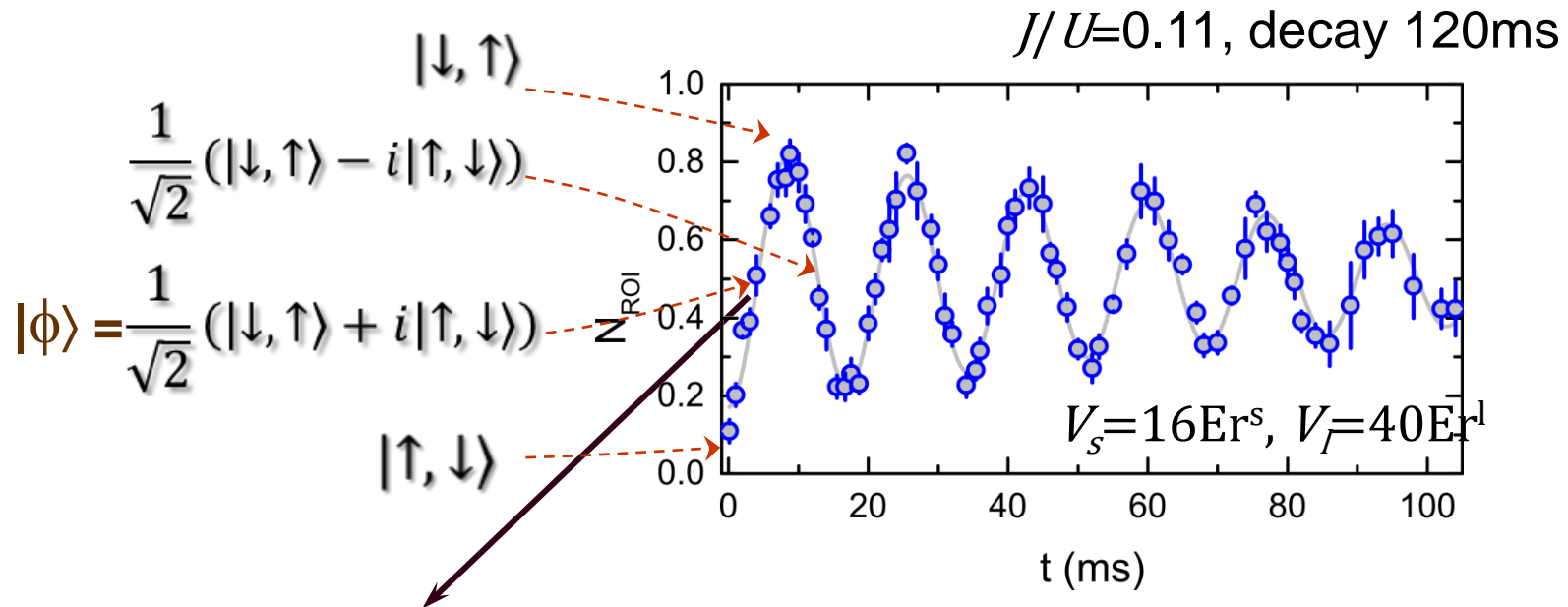
effective magnetic gradient caused by spin-dependent superlattice



Spin super-exchange: generating spin entanglement



- Switch off effective magnetic gradient, $|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle$ and $|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$ degenerate
- Decrease $V_i \rightarrow$ spin oscillation



- Increase $V_i \rightarrow$ Freeze entangled state

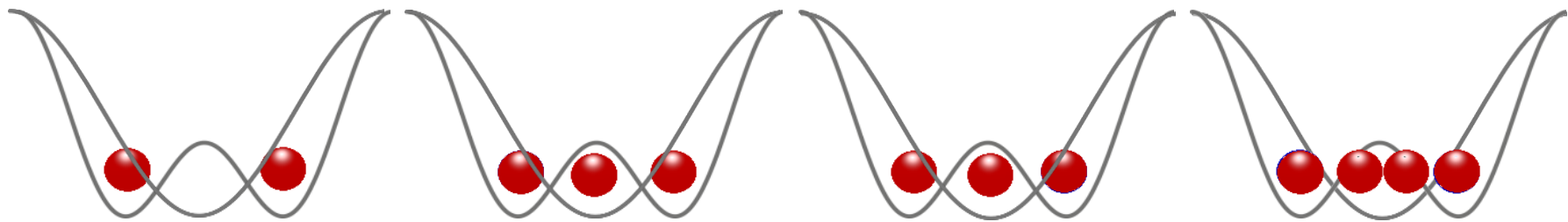
How to detect entanglement?

Entanglement detection

Entangled state: $|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle)$

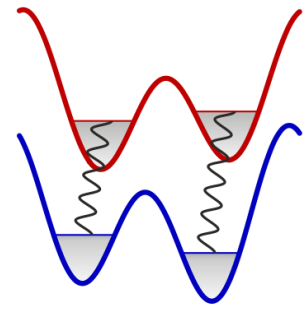
Spin-dependent collisional loss: identify $|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle$ from 4 spin basis

- Imaging spin-up atoms
- Count N_1
- Merging and killing
- Count N_2
- π pulse



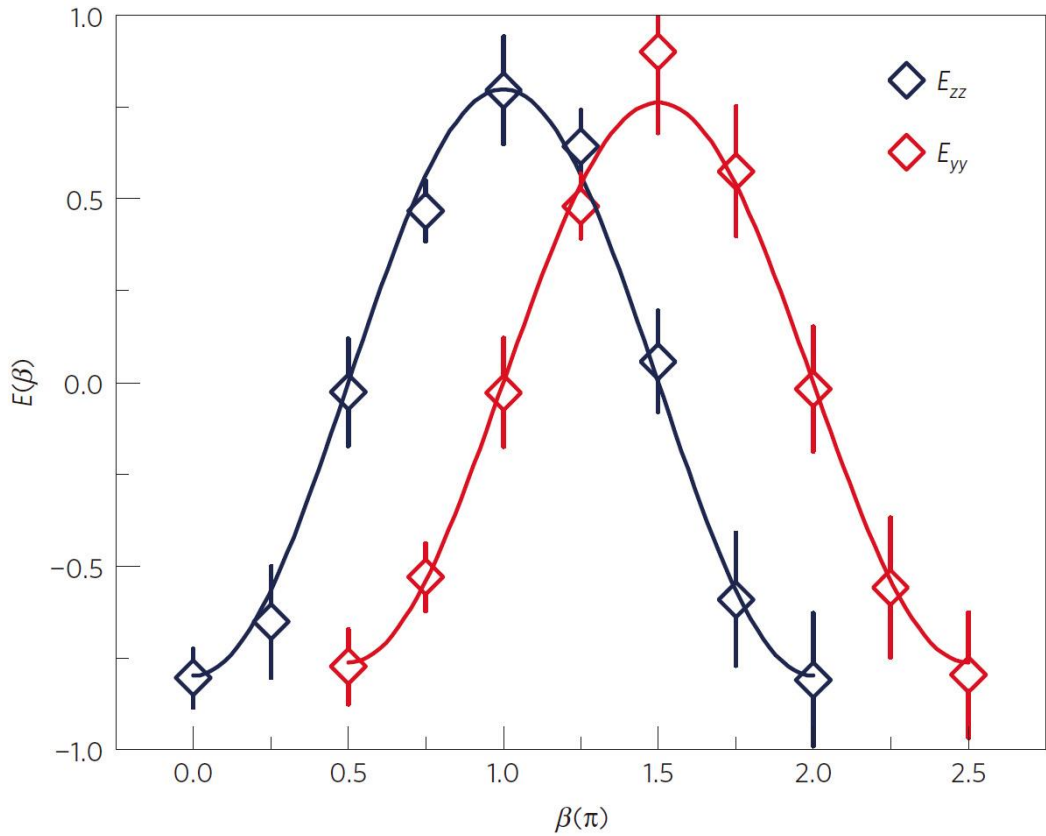
➔ $N_{\downarrow\downarrow} = N_{Total} - N_1 - N_2$

Identify $|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle, |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle, |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$:
transfer to $|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle$ by left/right π pulse



Detection of entanglement

Spin correlation curve



Violation of CHSH type Bell's inequality $S = 2.21 \pm 0.08$

Dai *et al.*, Nature Physics 12, 783 (2016)

2D-optical superlattice

BHM:

$$\hat{H} = -J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \hat{a}_i^\dagger \hat{a}_j + \frac{U_0}{2} \sum_i \hat{n}_i (\hat{n}_i - 1) - \sum_i \mu_i \hat{n}_i,$$



$J \ll U$

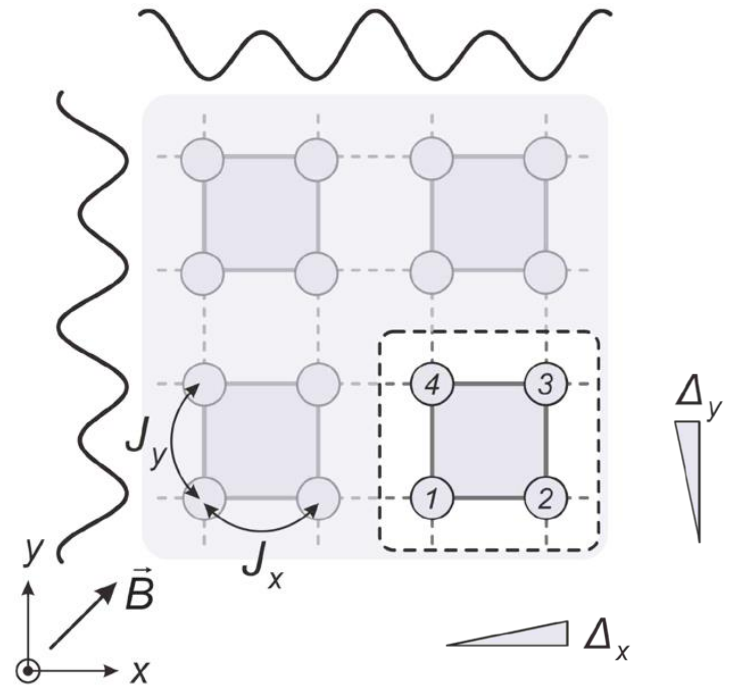
Super-exchange:

$$\hat{H} = -J_{ex} \hat{S}_L \cdot \hat{S}_R$$



Ring-exchange:

$$\mathbf{H} = J \square \mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{S}_2 \mathbf{S}_3 \mathbf{S}_4$$

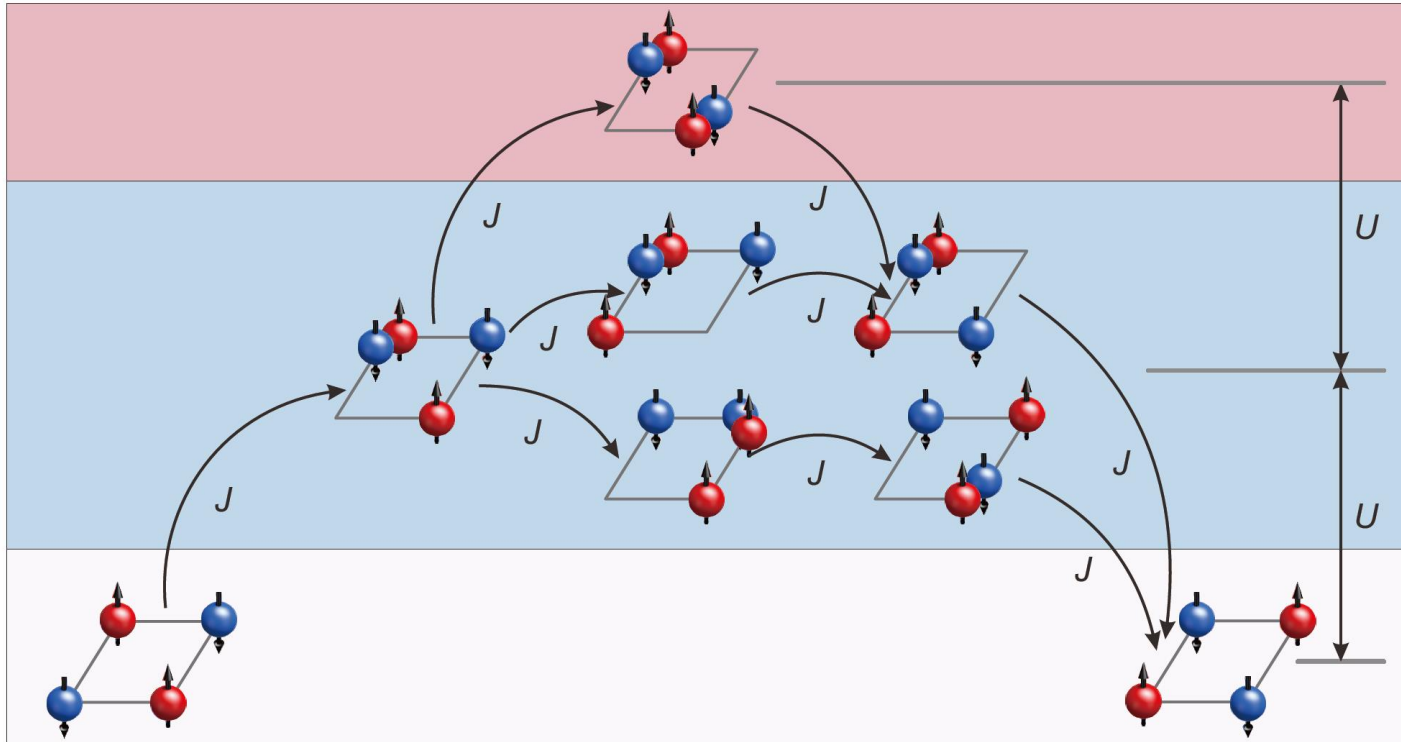


isolated plaquettes

B.Paredes & I.Bloch, PRA77,23603 (2008).

Ring-exchange interaction

$$A_S = -\sigma_1^x \sigma_2^x \sigma_3^x \sigma_4^x \quad \text{4th order perturbation to the BHM}$$



$$\hat{H}^{(4)} = 40 J^4 / U^3 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \sim \text{Hz}$$

2D-optical superlattice

BHM

$$\hat{H} = -J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \hat{a}_i^\dagger \hat{a}_j + \frac{U_0}{2} \sum_i \hat{n}_i (\hat{n}_i - 1) - \sum_i \mu_i \hat{n}_i,$$



$$J=200 \text{ Hz}, U=2 \text{ kHz}$$

Super-exchange:

$$\hat{H} = -J_{ex} \hat{S}_L \cdot \hat{S}_R$$



$$J_{ex} \sim \frac{J^2}{U} = 20 \text{ Hz} \sim 1 \text{ nK}$$

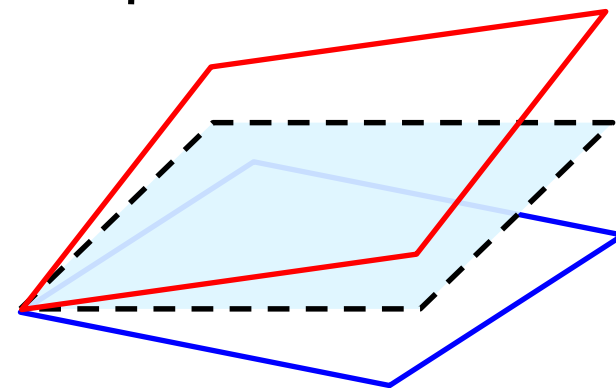
Ring-exchange:

$$\mathbf{H} = J_{\square} \mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{S}_2 \mathbf{S}_3 \mathbf{S}_4$$

$$J_{\square} \sim \frac{J^4}{U^3} = 0.2 \text{ Hz} \sim 0.01 \text{ nK}$$



ring exchange



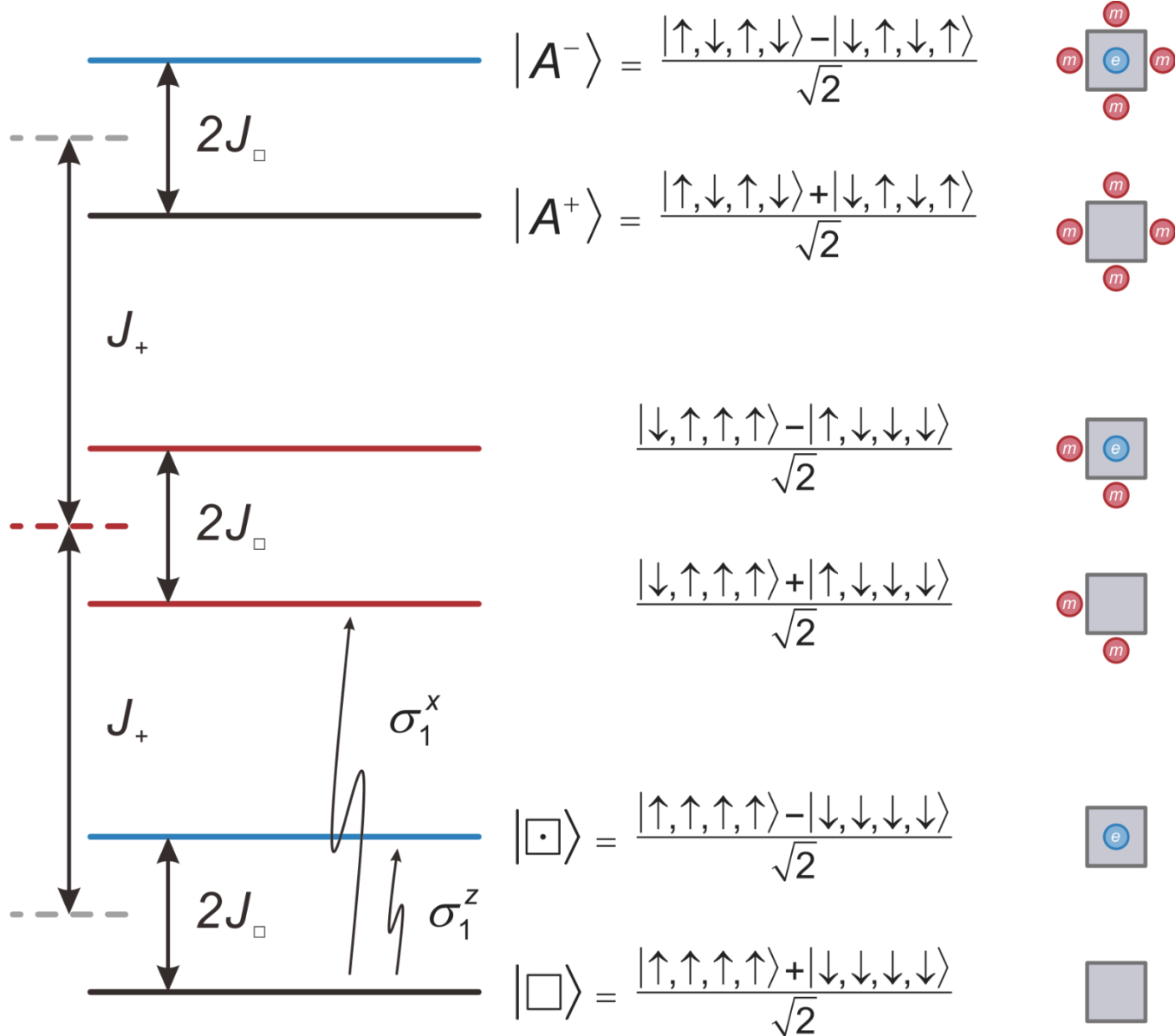
- the Toric code model:

$$\hat{H}_T = - \hat{\sigma}_1^x \hat{\sigma}_2^x \hat{\sigma}_3^x \hat{\sigma}_4^x - \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \hat{\sigma}_i^z \hat{\sigma}_j^z$$

Toric code model in subspace

$$\mathbb{H} = \{ |\uparrow, \downarrow, \uparrow, \downarrow\rangle, |\downarrow, \uparrow, \downarrow, \uparrow\rangle \}$$

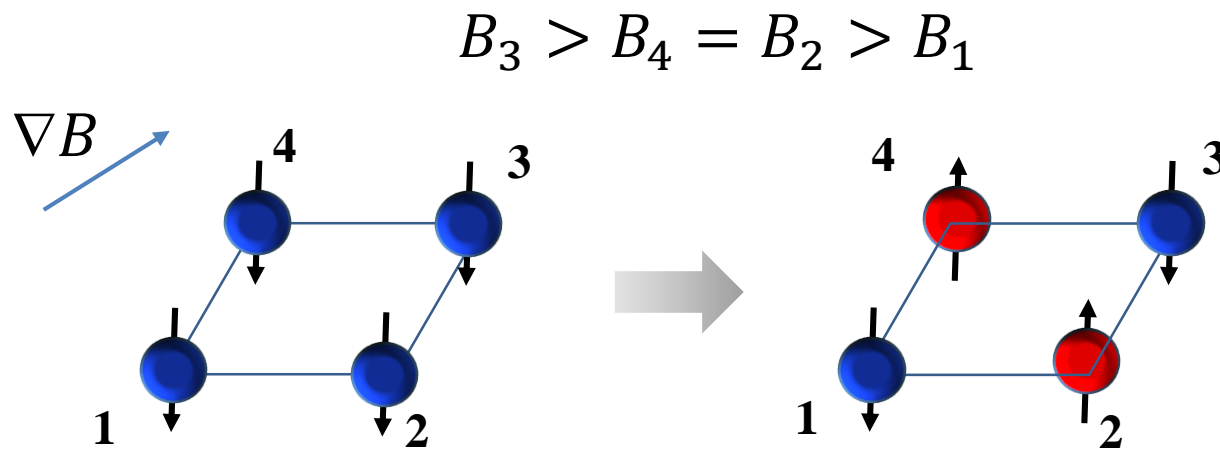
Spectrum of the plaquette model



Site-resolved addressing: state initialization



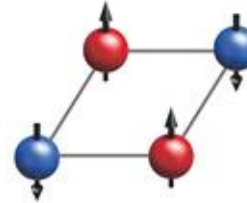
Effective magnetic gradient created by the spin-dependent superlattices
Sawtooth-like, period of OL



Ring Exchange Driven Oscillation

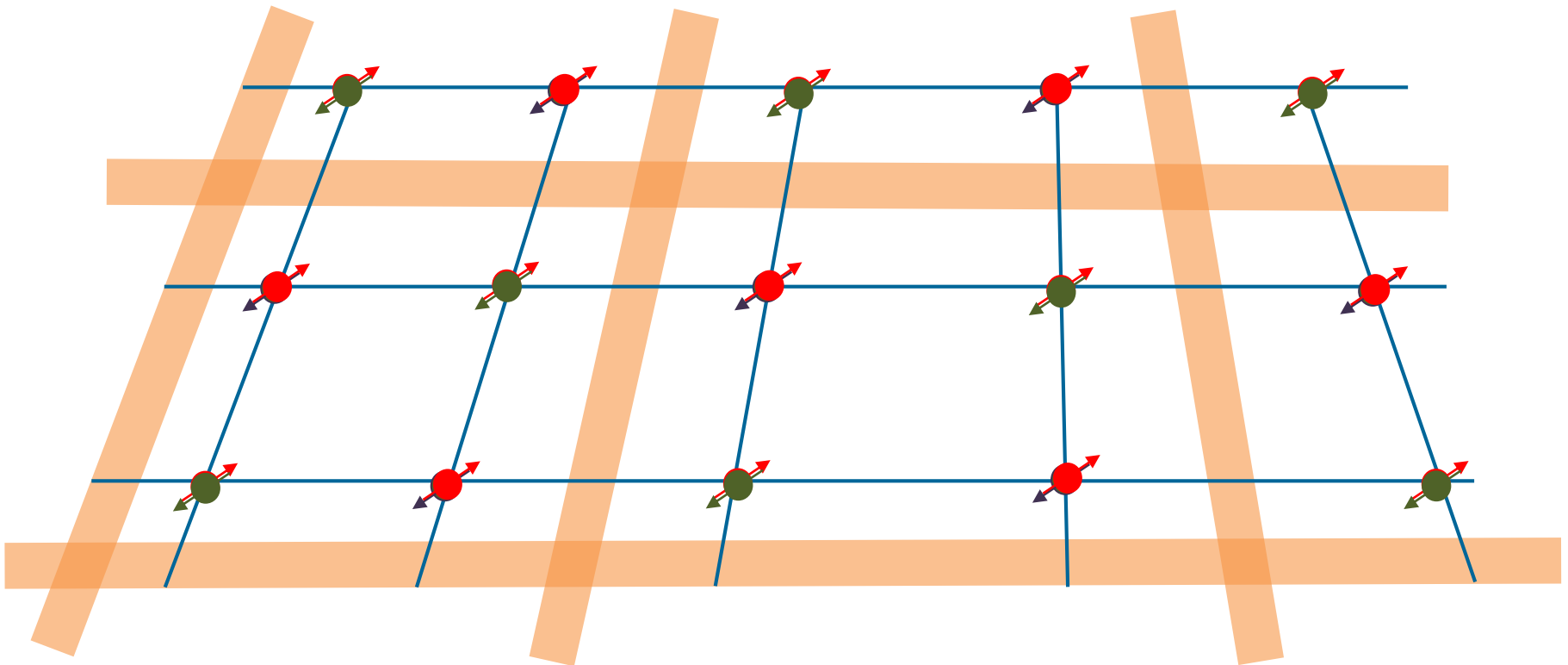


$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{---} |A^-\rangle = \frac{|\uparrow, \downarrow, \uparrow, \downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow, \uparrow, \downarrow, \uparrow\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \\
 \begin{array}{c} \updownarrow \\ 2J_{\square} \\ \updownarrow \end{array} \\
 \text{---} |A^+\rangle = \frac{|\uparrow, \downarrow, \uparrow, \downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow, \uparrow, \downarrow, \uparrow\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}
 \end{array}$$



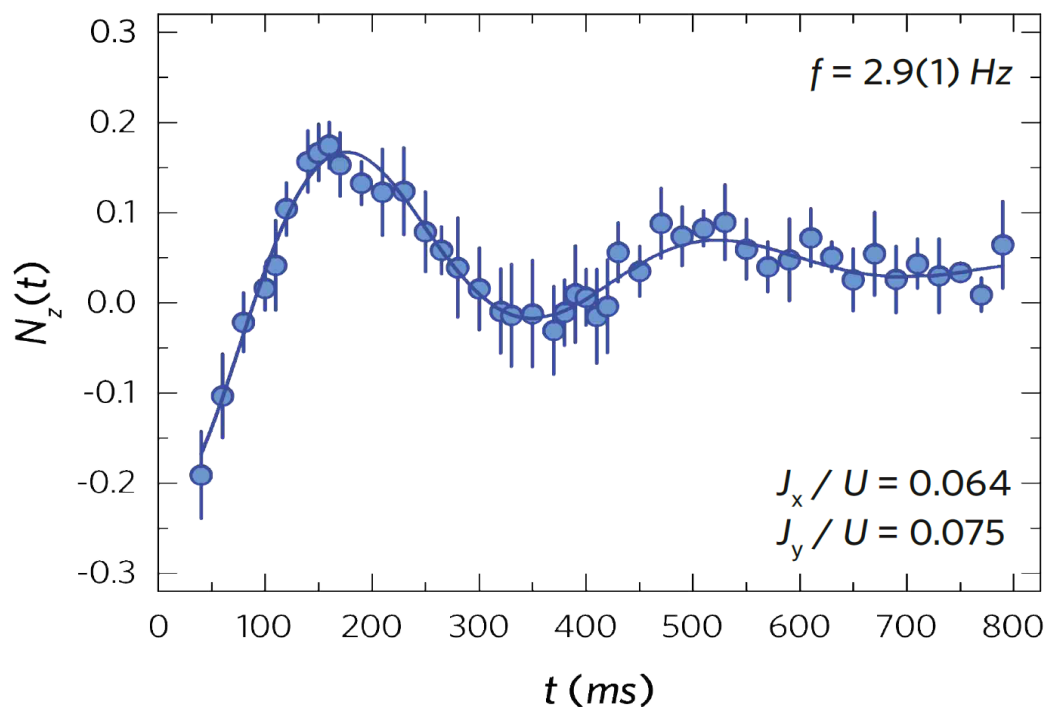
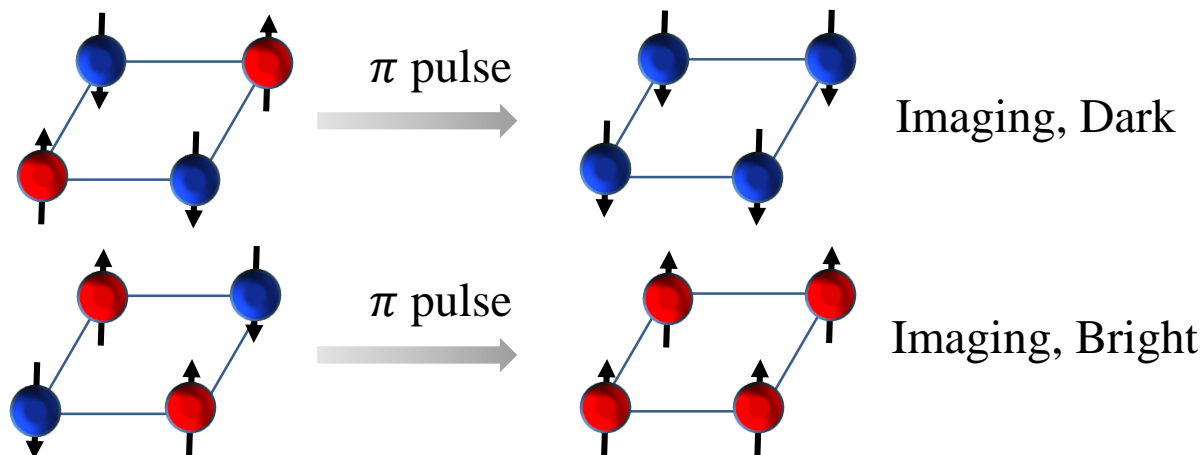
Initial state

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|A^-\rangle + |A^+\rangle)$$



Observation of ring exchange driven oscillation

Count the populations of different states



Settings:

$$V_{x1} = V_{y1} = 10 E_r$$

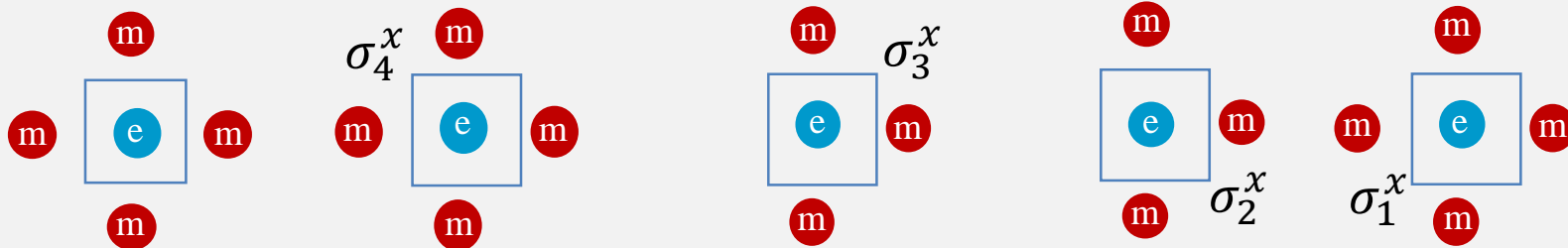
$$\Delta_x = 115(1) \text{ Hz}$$

$$V_{ys} = 18.2(1) E_r$$

$$V_{xs} = 19.2(1) E_r$$

$$\Delta_y = 145(1) \text{ Hz}$$

Topological phase of Abelian anyons, $\theta = \pi / 2$



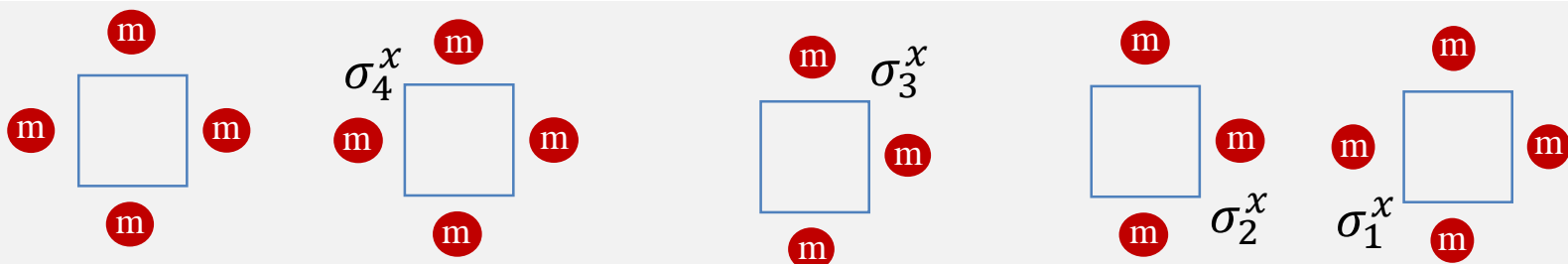
$|A^-\rangle$

$-|A^-\rangle$

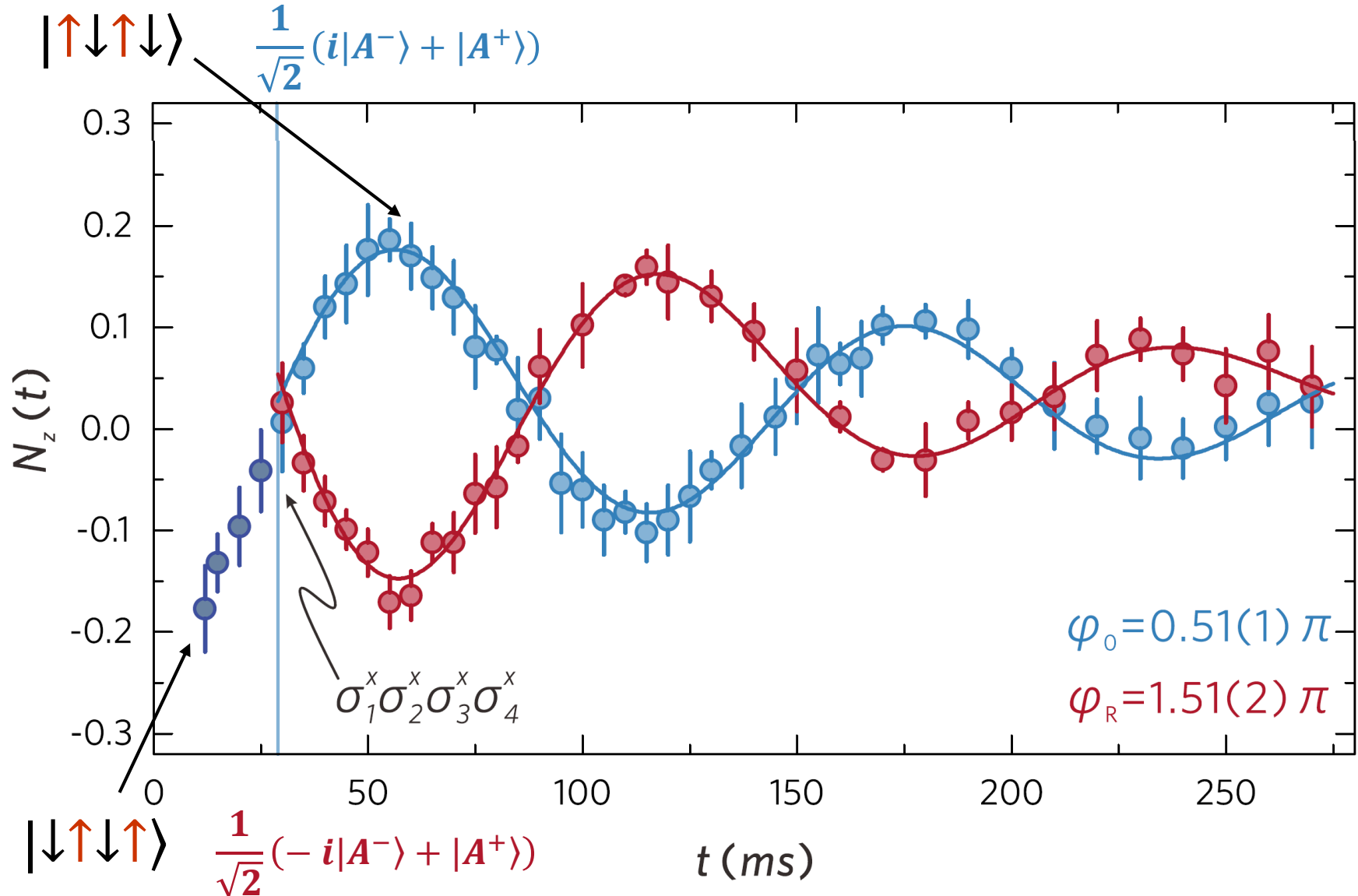
$$\psi_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (i|A^-\rangle + |A^+\rangle) \longrightarrow \psi_f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (-i|A^-\rangle + |A^+\rangle)$$

$|A^+\rangle$

$+|A^+\rangle$



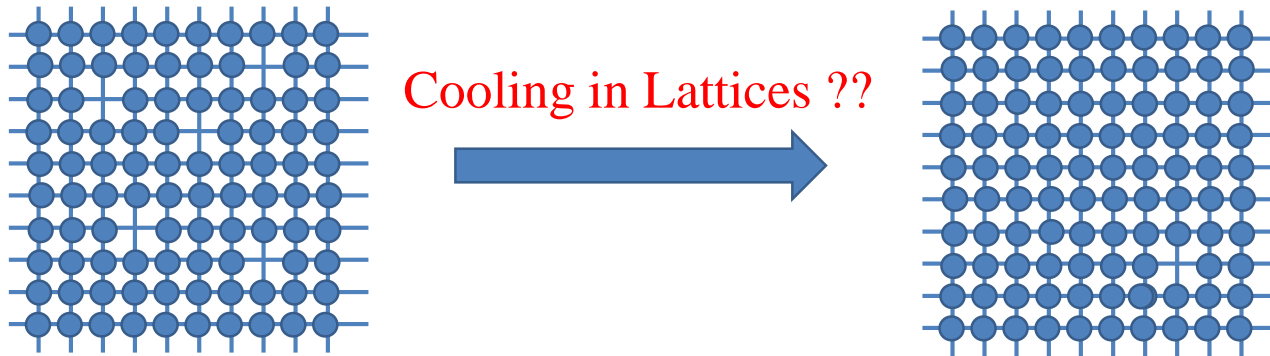
Observation of Anyonic Fractional Statistics



Dai *et al*, Nature Physics 13, 1195 (2017)

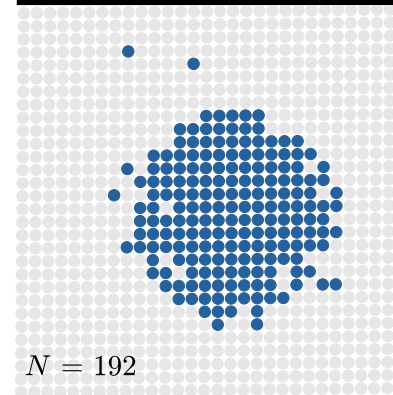
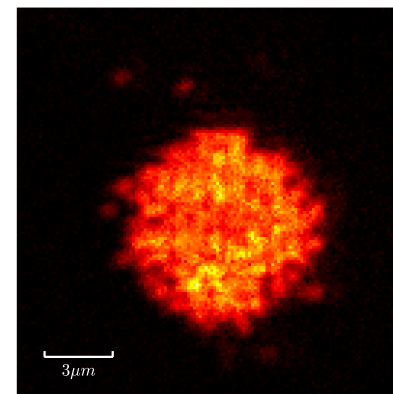
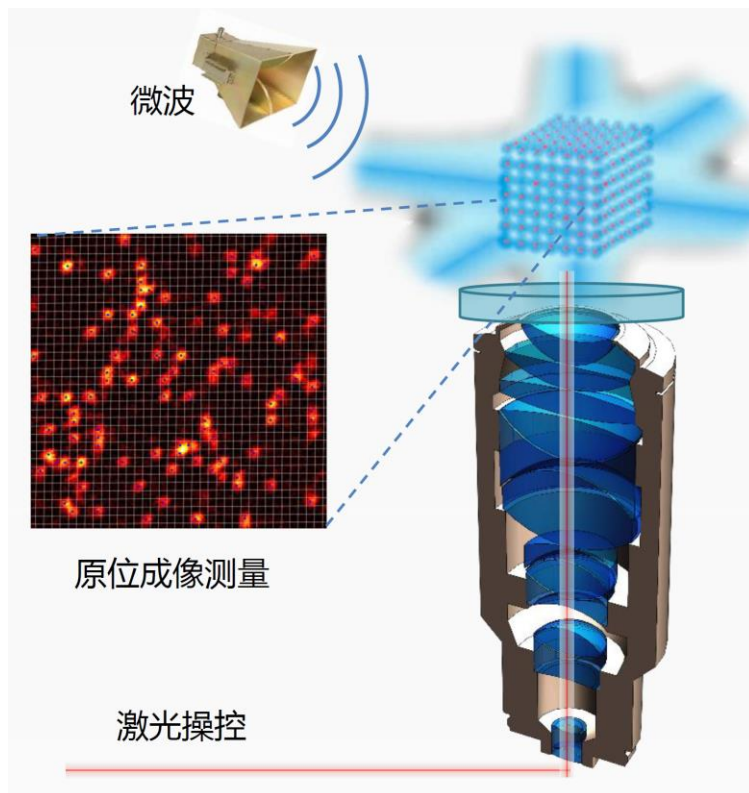
Outlook- towards large entangled state

- For a large entangled state: remove defects, connect the atom pairs
Challenge: cool the atoms in lattices?



Outlook- towards large entangled state

➤ High-resolution imaging system



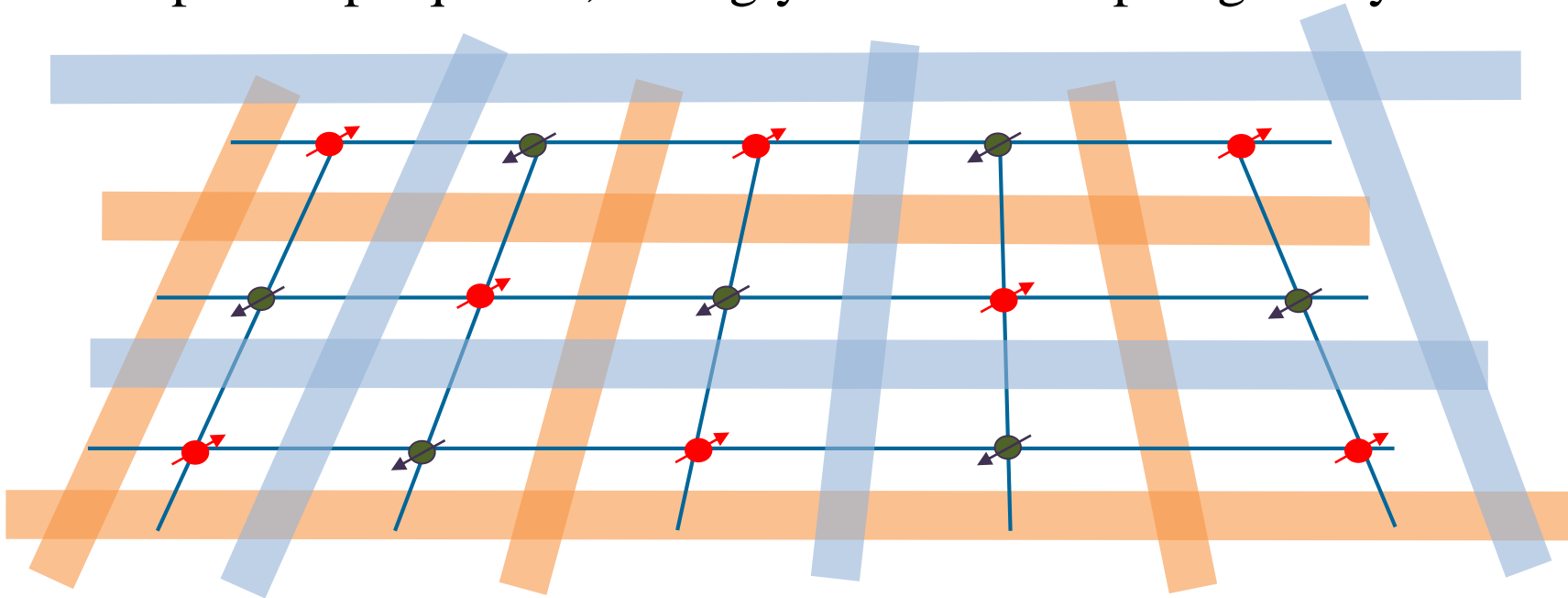
Numerical aperture: $NA=0.8$; Resolution: 690 nm

➤ Challenge theoreticians at an unprecedented level

Outlook- simulating topological materials



- Couple the plaquettes; strongly correlated topological system



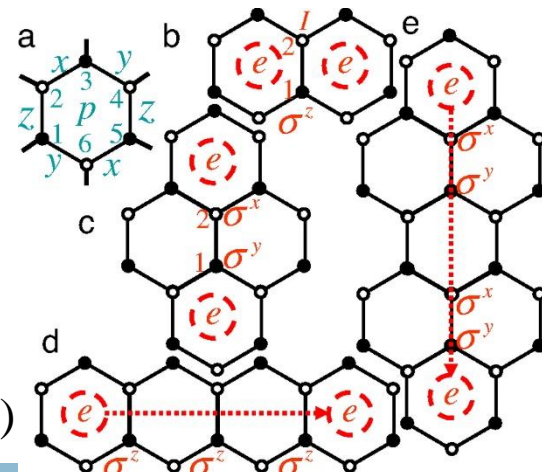
Reviews on topological matters with ultracold atoms:

Goldman, Budish&Zoller, Nat. Phys. (2016)

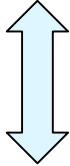
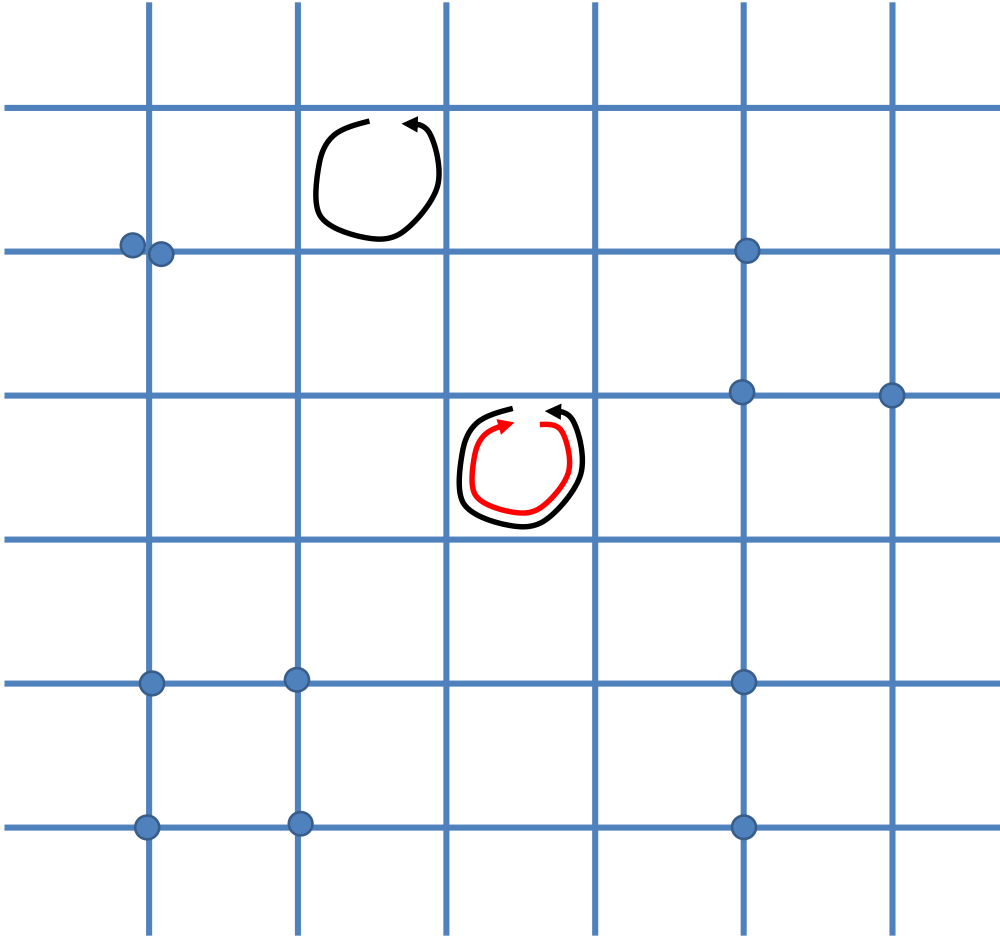
Zohar et al. Rep. Prog. Phys. (2016)

- Extend to fermionic systems;
non-Abelian ...

Theo: CW Zhang et al, PNAS (2007)



Shaking, spin dependent shaking



Y direction



X direction

The team members



Jian-Wei Pan

Yu-Ao Chen

Han-Ning Dai

Bing Yang

Andreas Reigruber

Hui Sun

Xiaofan Xu



USTC



Univ. Heidelberg