

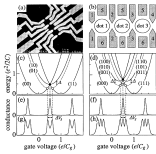
Spin Qubits in Semiconducting Nanostructures II

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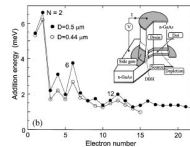
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Spin qubits in GaAs quantum dots

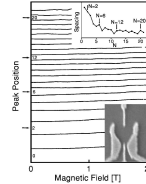
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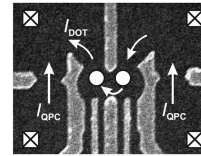
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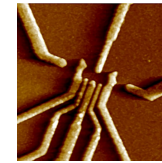
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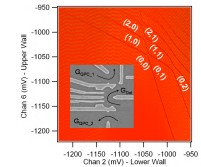
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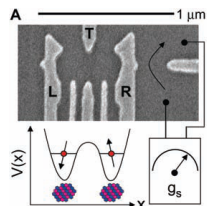
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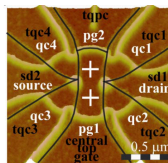
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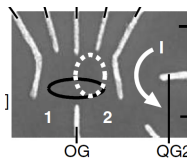
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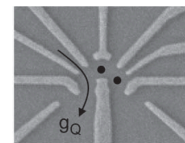
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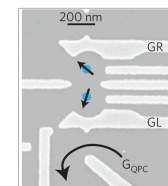
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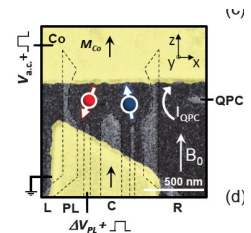
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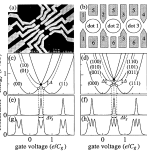
Brunner,
Pioro-Ladriere,
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... and many more ...

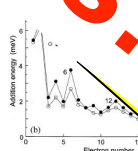
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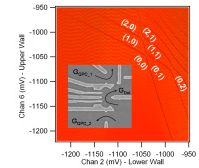
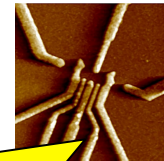
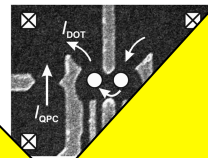
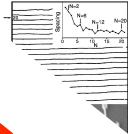
GaAs: Nuclear Spin 'Problem'?



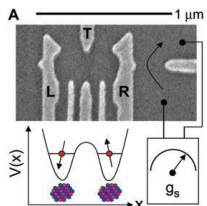
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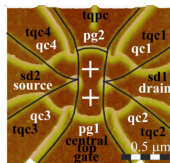
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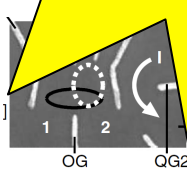
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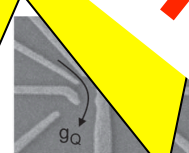
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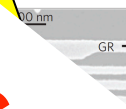
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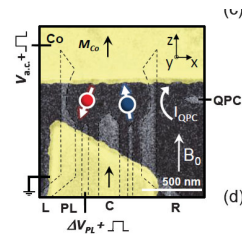
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2011

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Strategies:

1. Use GaAs (still 'best' material for electrical control) and deal with nuclear spins
 - echo techniques and/or dynamical narrowing
 - Bluhm & Yacoby et al., Nat. Phys. 7, 109 (2011)
 - Kuemmeth & Marcus et al., Nat. Nano 12, 16 (2017): $T_2 \sim 1\text{ms}$
 - ordered nuclear state → evidence in GaAs wire
 - Zumbuhl & Yacoby, PRL 112, 066801 (2014)
2. Avoid nuclear spin problem: use holes and/or other materials such as isotopically purified C, Si, Ge,...

Electron *vs.* Hole Spin Qubits

Band Diagram Near Γ Point ($k = 0$)

Typical bulk spectrum
of a semiconductor:

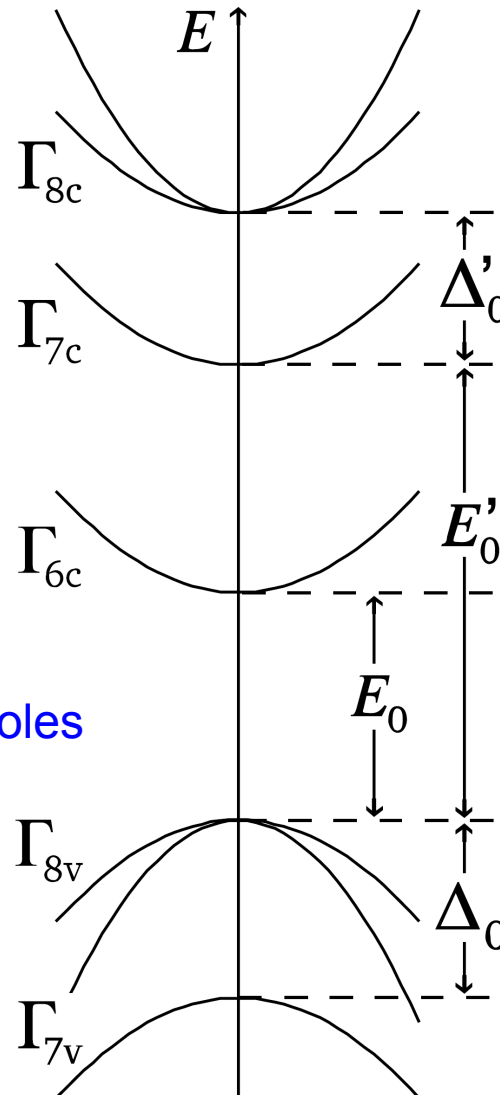
Higher bands $\longrightarrow$

Conduction band $\longrightarrow$
s-type Bloch functions

Spin 3/2, Heavy holes and light holes $\longrightarrow$

Valence band $\longrightarrow$
p-type Bloch functions

Split-Off Band $\longrightarrow$



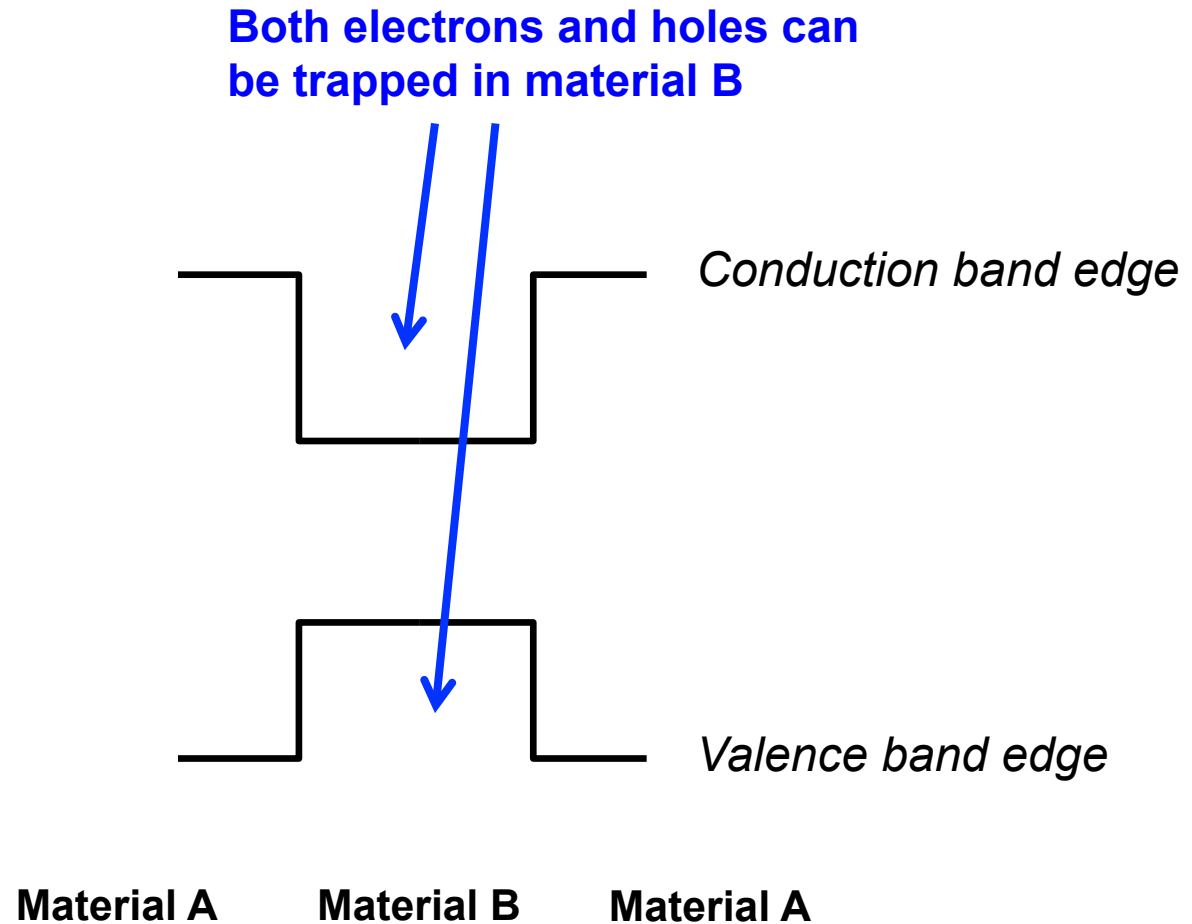
GaAs:

band gap
1.5 eV

0.3 eV

Quantum Well: Examples

Type I



Example:

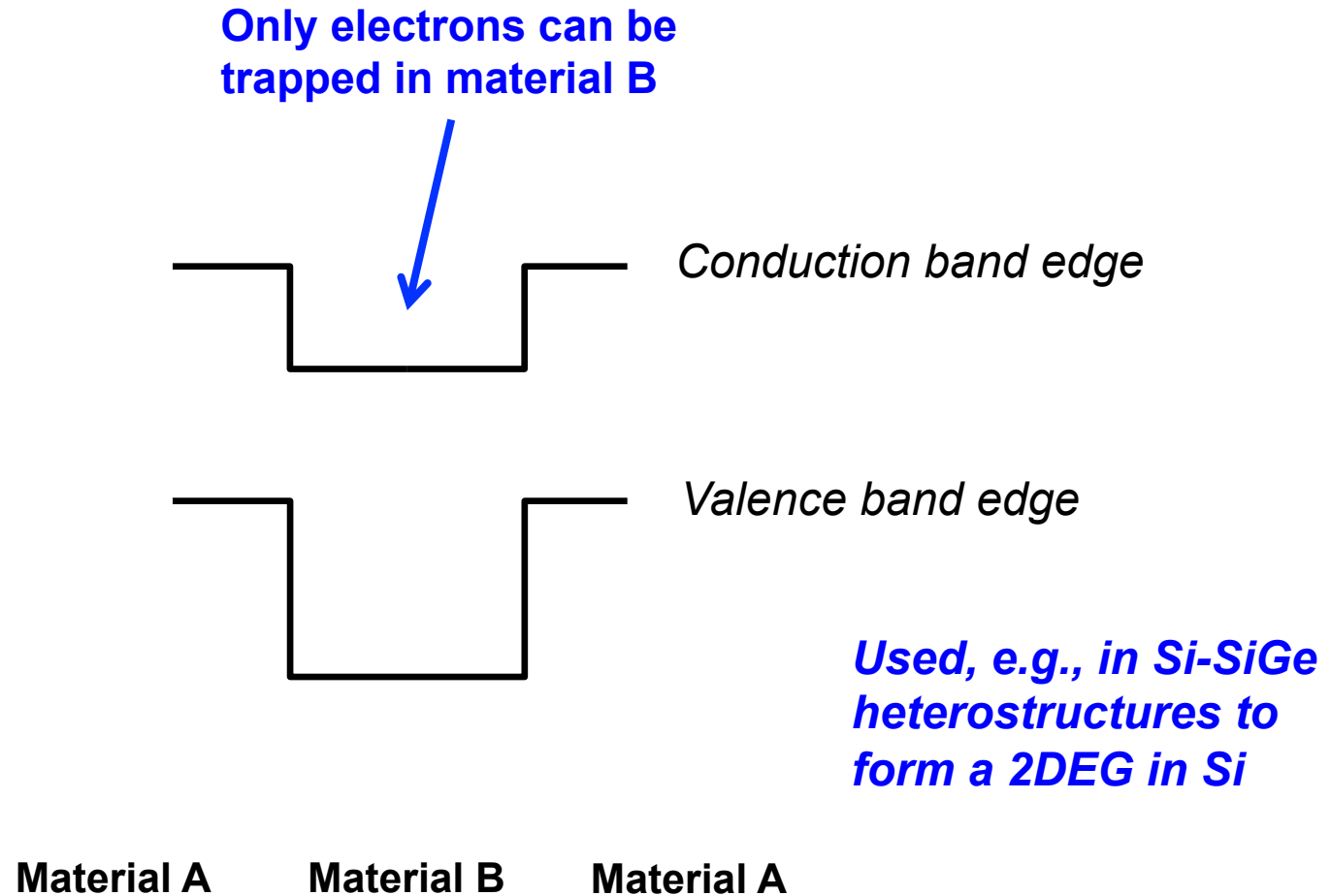
GaAs

InGaAs

GaAs

Quantum Well: Examples

Type II *for electrons*



Example:

Ge

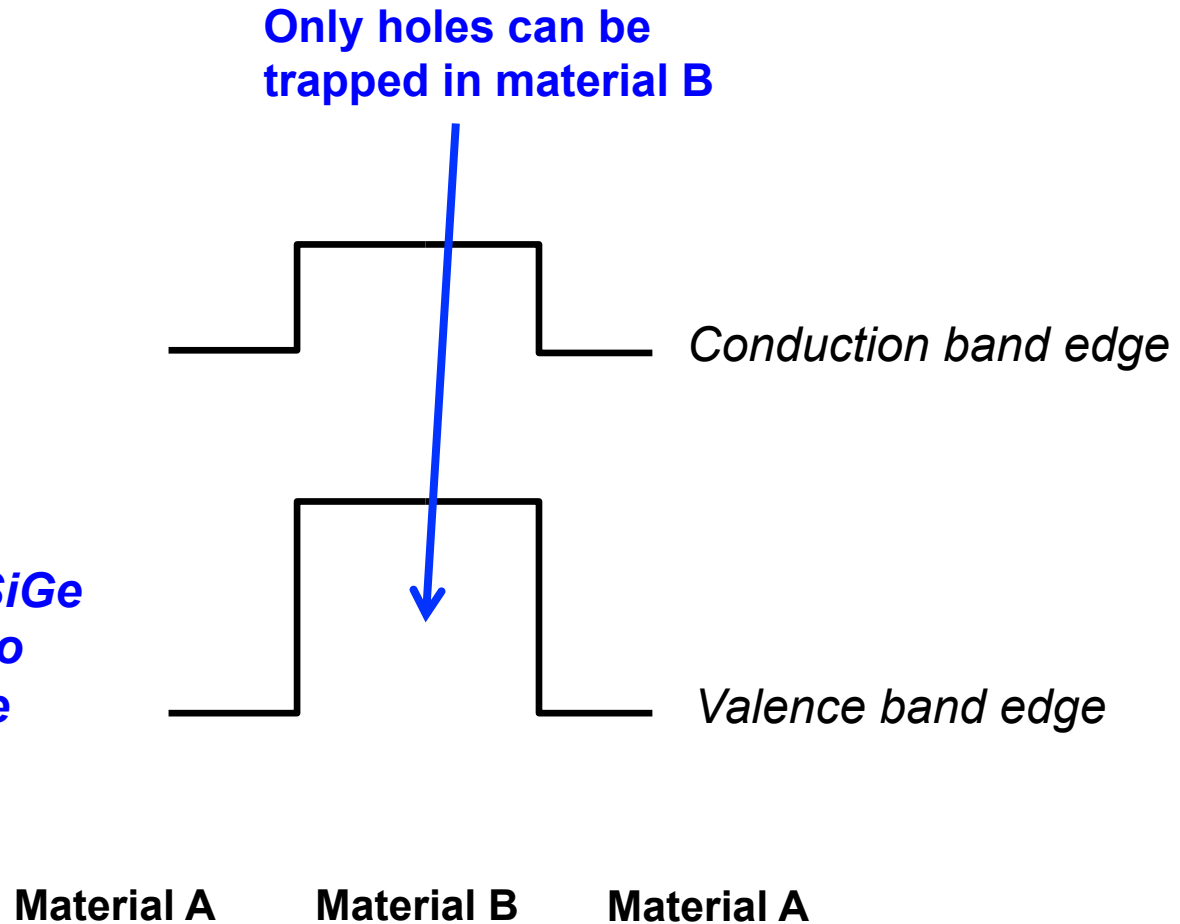
Si

Ge

Quantum Well: Examples

Type II *for holes*

*Used, e.g., in Ge-SiGe
heterostructures to
form a 2DHG in Ge*



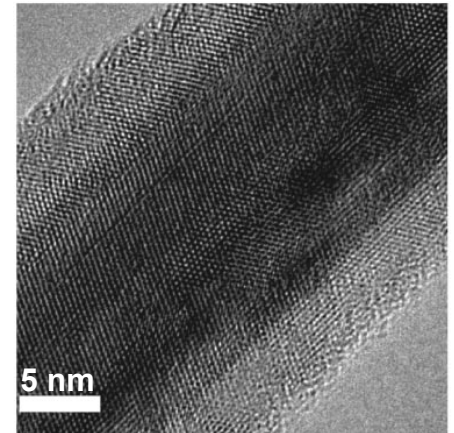
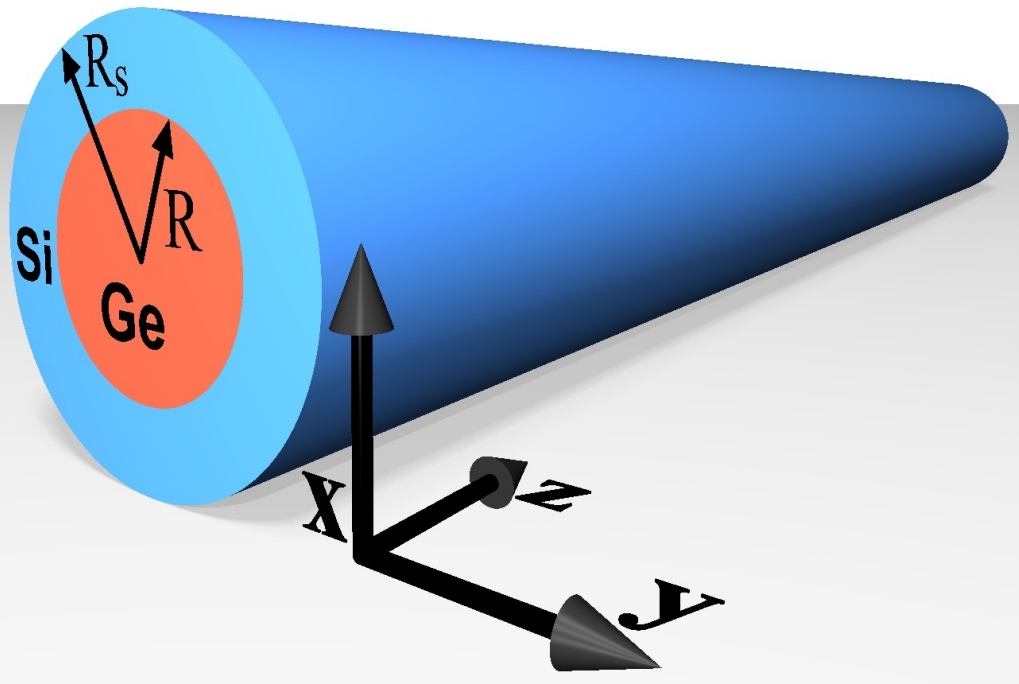
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Si

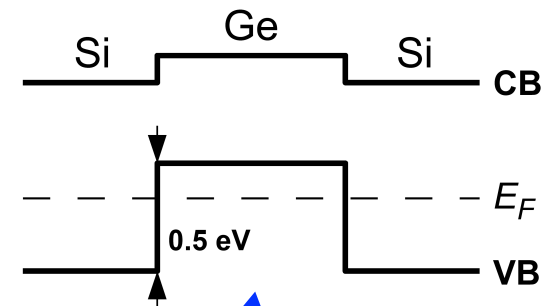
Ge

Si

Ge/Si Core/Shell Nanowires



HR-TEM, Lieber (2005)



**Strongly confined holes
inside the Ge core**

Lauhon *et al.*, Nature (2002)
Lu *et al.*, PNAS USA (2005)
Kloeffel, Trif, and Loss, PRB (2011)
Hu *et al.*, Nature Nano (2012)

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Hole Spin Qubits in GaAs and InAs

PRL **95**, 076805 (2005)

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Spin Relaxation and Decoherence of Holes in Quantum Dots

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We investigate heavy-hole spin relaxation and decoherence in quantum dots in perpendicular magnetic fields. We show that at low temperatures the spin decoherence time is 2 times longer than the spin relaxation time. We find that the spin relaxation time for heavy holes can be comparable to or even longer than that for electrons in strongly two-dimensional quantum dots. We discuss the difference in the magnetic-field dependence of the spin relaxation rate due to Rashba or Dresselhaus spin-orbit coupling for systems with positive (i.e., GaAs quantum dots) or negative (i.e., InAs quantum dots) g factor.

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\text{so}}^{\text{HH}} = & i\alpha(\sigma_+ P_-^3 - \sigma_- P_+^3) && \text{Rashba SOI for HH} \\ & - \beta(\sigma_+ P_- P_+ P_- + \sigma_- P_+ P_- P_+) && \text{Dresselhaus SOI for HH} \end{aligned}$$

EDSR for HHs in III-V materials: Bulaev and DL, PRL 98, 097202 (2007)
ultrafast Rabi oscillations

Observation of extremely slow hole spin relaxation in self-assembled quantum dots

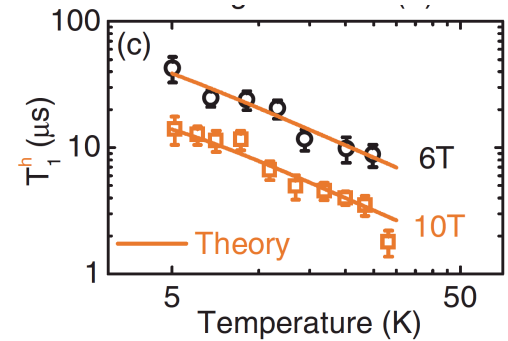
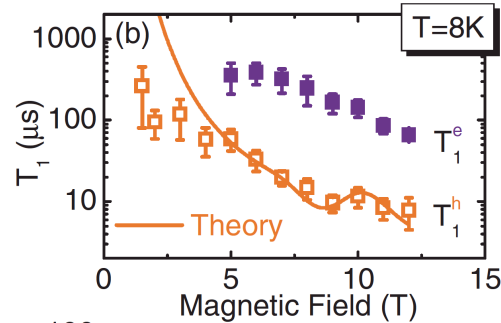
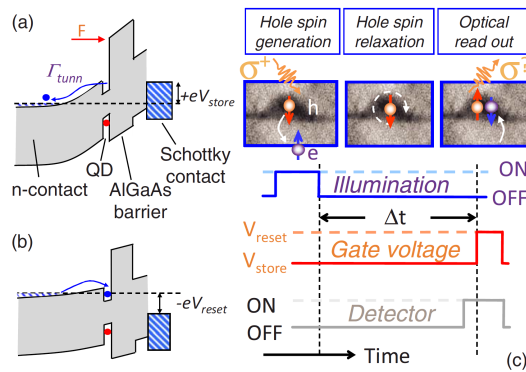
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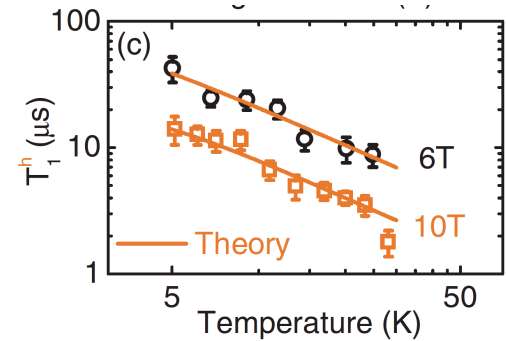
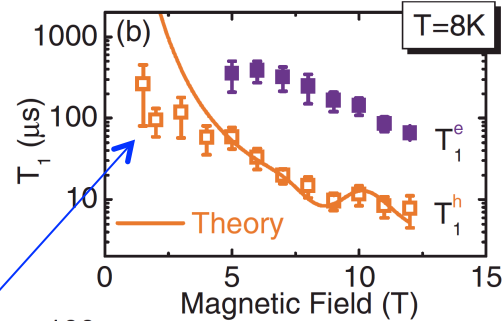
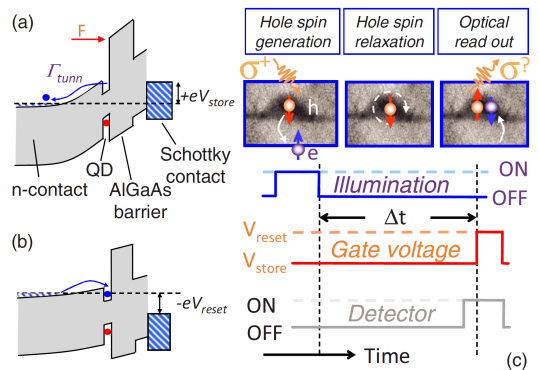
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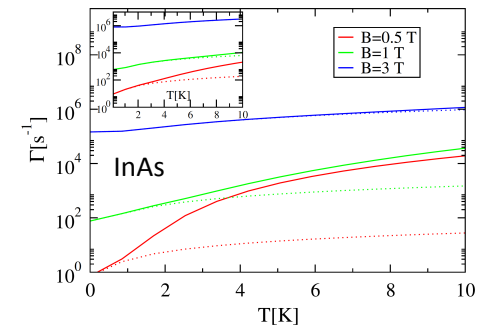
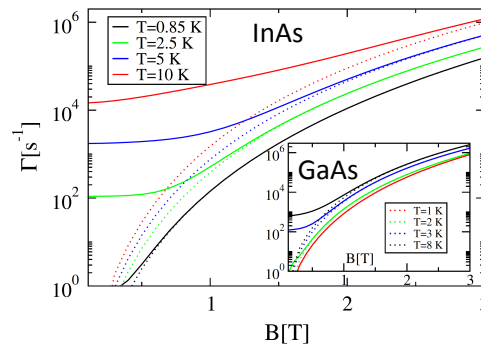
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2-Phonon processes
lead to saturation

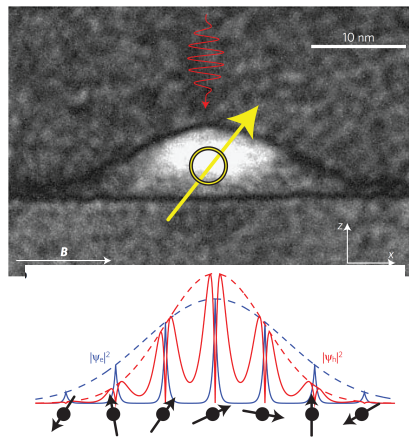
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PRL 103, 106601 (2009)



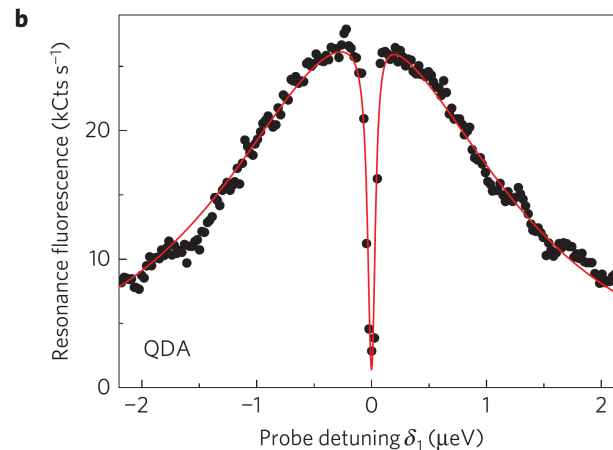
Nature Mat., 2016

Decoupling a hole spin qubit from the nuclear spins

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Andreas D. Wieck³ and Richard J. Warburton^{1*}



InGaAs
self-assembled dots



Hyperfine interaction
of holes is nearly Ising
(transverse < 1%)

$$H = (b_{\perp} + h_z)s_z + b_{\parallel}s_x$$

$$\mathbf{b}, \Gamma_r = 0.68 \mu\text{eV}, T_2 > 1 \mu\text{s}, T_1 \gg T_2.$$

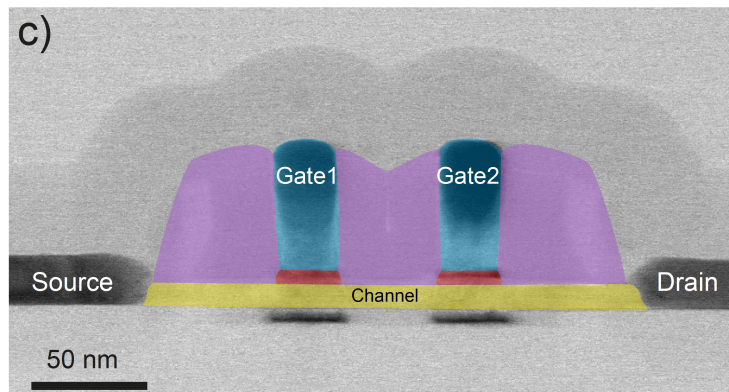
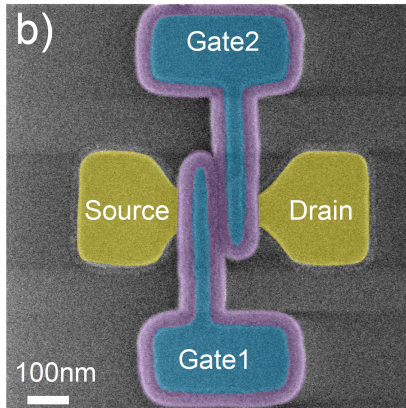
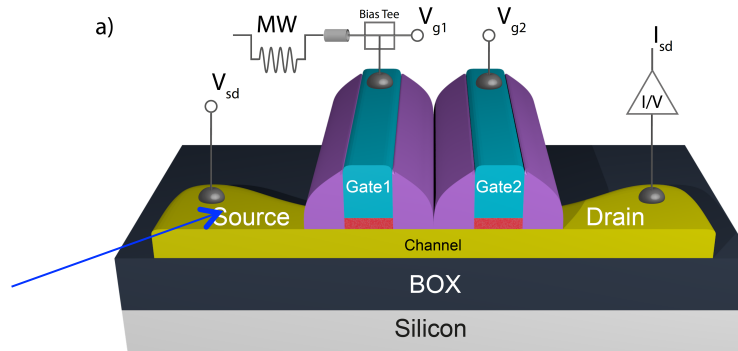
Theory: Fischer et al., PRB 78, 155329 (2008); Fischer and DL, PRL 105, 266603 (2010)

A CMOS silicon **hole** spin qubit

Maurand et al., Nat. Comm. 7, 13575 (2016)

‘quantumize’ integrated bits:

➔ heavy hole spin in p-doped Si-on-Insulator nanowire



~10 holes
per dot

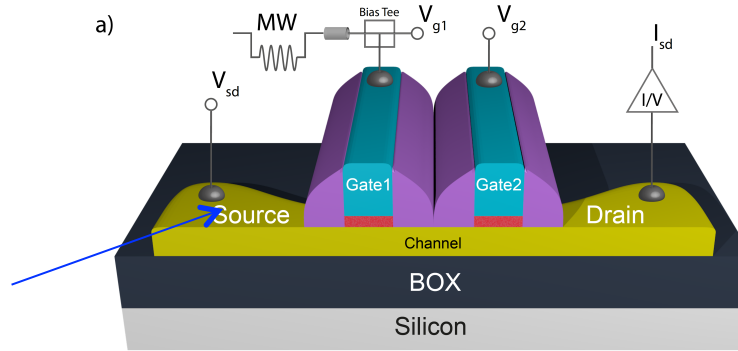
FIG. 1. CMOS qubit device. a, Simplified 3-dimensional schematic of a SOI nanowire field-effect transistor with two gates Gate 1 and Gate 2. Using a bias-T, Gate 1 is connected to a low-pass-filtered line, used to apply a static gate voltage V_{g1} , and to a 20-GHz bandwidth line, used to apply the high-frequency modulation necessary for qubit initialization, manipulation and readout. b, Colorized device top view obtained by scanning electron microscopy just after the fabrication of gates and spacers. c, Colorized transmission-electron-microscopy image of the device along a longitudinal cross-sectional plane.

CMOS silicon **hole** spin qubit: Fast EDSR

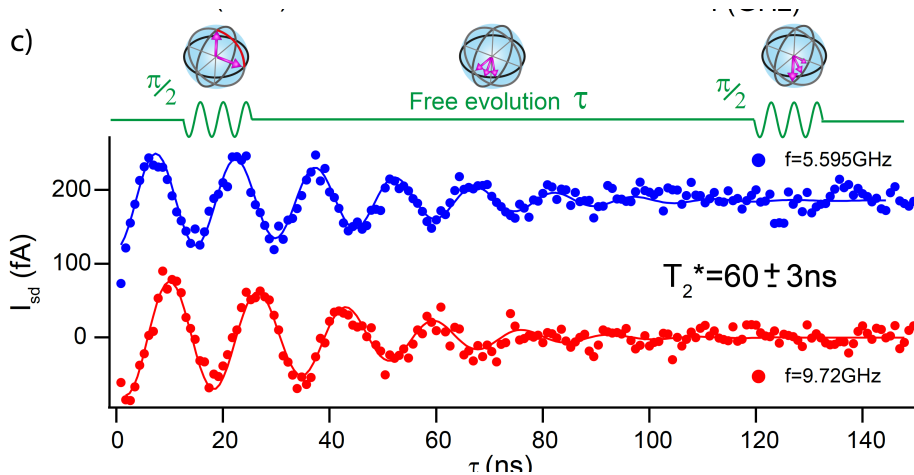
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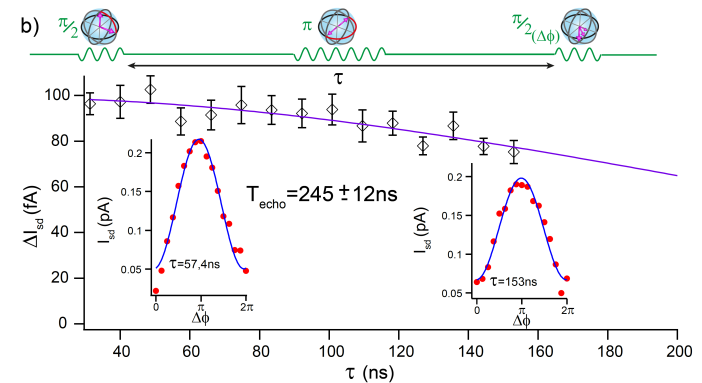
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Fast Rabi oscillations ~85 MHz
and Ramsey fringe via EDSR of holes

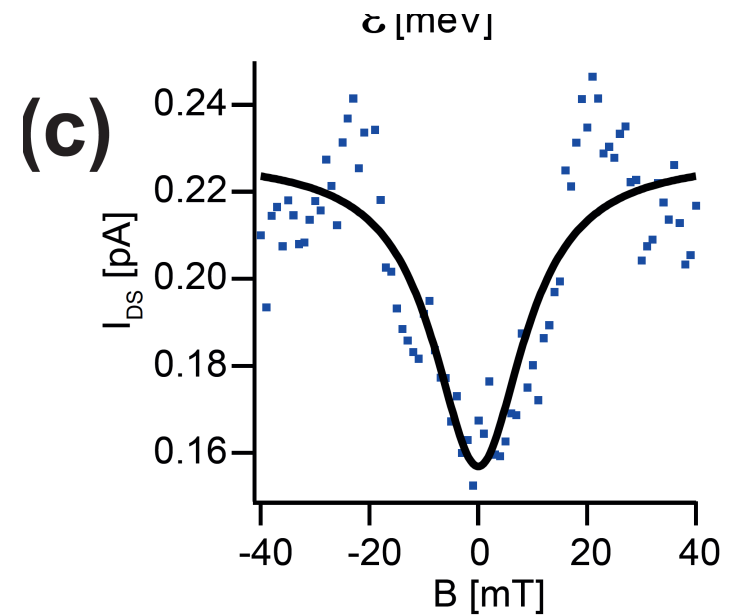
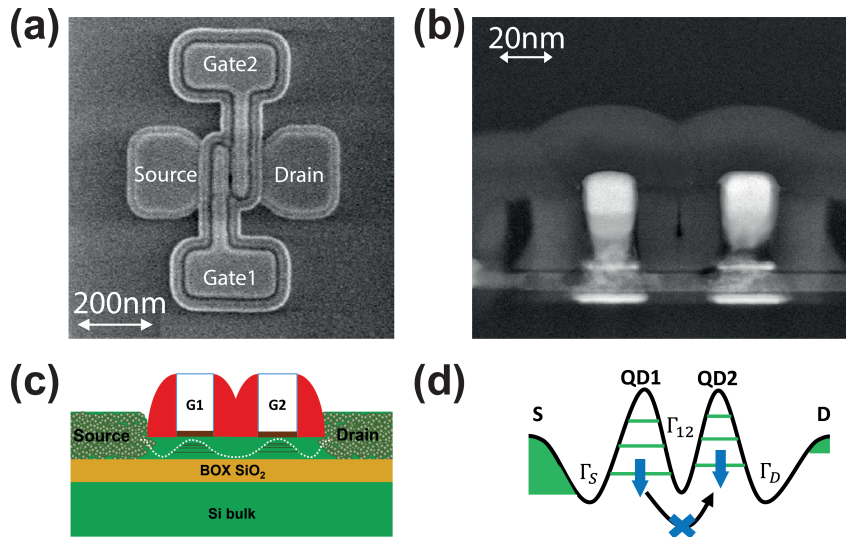


Two-axis qubit control and
spin coherence times.

CMOS double dot and PSB

Sanquer & De Franceschi group, Bohuslavskyi et al., arXiv:1607.00287

Pauli spin blockade due to
spin orbit interaction



Next Step: Spin Qubits in Industry-Standard SOI Technology

Marc Sanquer et al., 2017

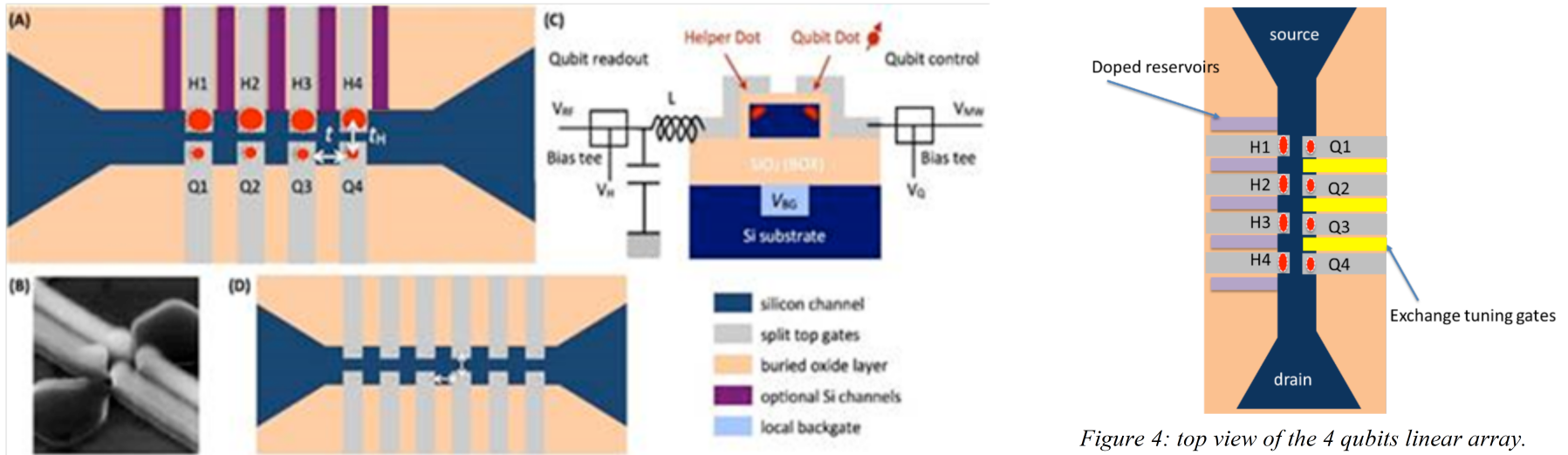


Figure 4: top view of the 4 qubits linear array.

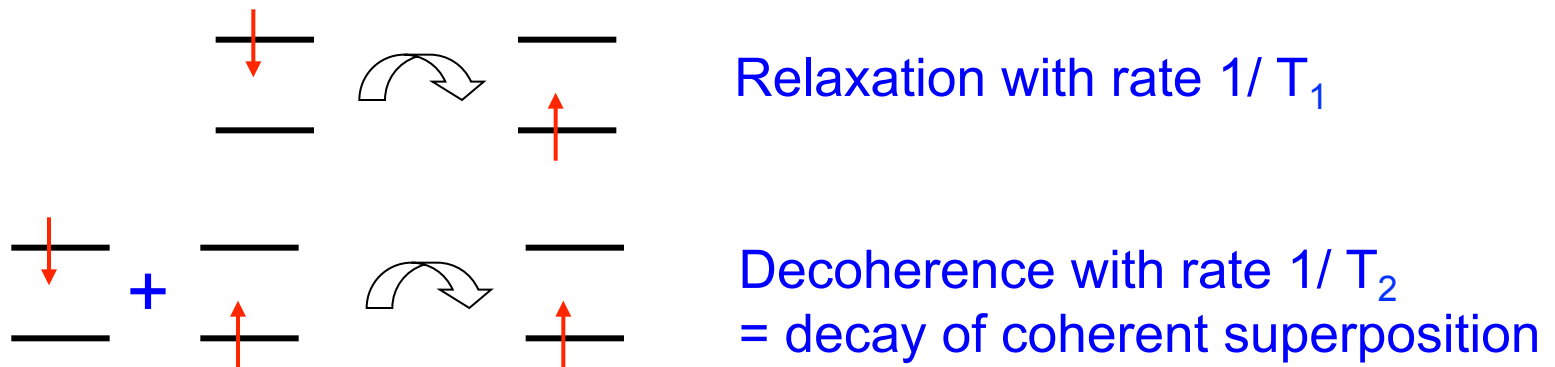
Fig. 1. a) Schematic of the targeted 4x2 linear array of SOI quantum dots. b) SEM top view of current 2x2 split gate with gate spacing of 30 nm. c) Schematic cross-section showing the corner dots located under the slit gates. Their coupling can be tuned by using local back gate voltage (V_{BG}). The qubit dot is operated using microwaves (V_{MW}), whereas the helper dot is probed by rf signals (V_{RF}) for qubit readout. d) Scalable architecture envisioned based on our approach.

Spin decoherence in GaAs quantum dots

Two important sources of spin decay in GaAs:

1) **Spin-orbit** interaction (Dresselhaus & Rashba)

→ interaction between **spin and charge fluctuations**



2) **Hyperfine interaction** between electron spin and nuclear spins, can lead to **non-exponential** decay

General spin Hamiltonian:

$$H = g\mu_B \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{h}(t)$$

where $\mathbf{h}(t)$ is a fluctuating (internal) field with $\langle \mathbf{h}(t) \rangle = 0$

Relaxation (T_1) and decoherence (T_2) times in weak coupling approx.:

$$\frac{1}{T_1} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt \operatorname{Re} \left[\langle h_X(0) h_X(t) \rangle + \langle h_Y(0) h_Y(t) \rangle \right] e^{-iE_Z t / \hbar}$$

$$\frac{1}{T_2} = \frac{1}{2T_1} + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt \operatorname{Re} \langle h_Z(0) h_Z(t) \rangle$$

[if $\langle h_i(t) h_j(t') \rangle \sim \delta_{ij}$,
 $i, j = (X, Y, Z)$]

relaxation
contribution

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'typically'

dephasing
contribution

See e.g. Abragam

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For SOI **linear** in momentum:

$$\mathbf{h}(t) \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

(unlike spin-boson model!)

→

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relaxation contribution

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dephasing contribution

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Spin-Orbit Interaction in GaAs Quantum Dots (2DEG):

$$H_{SO} = \alpha(p_x \sigma_y - p_y \sigma_x)$$

← Rashba SOI

$$- \beta(p_x \sigma_x - p_y \sigma_y)$$

← Dresselhaus SOI

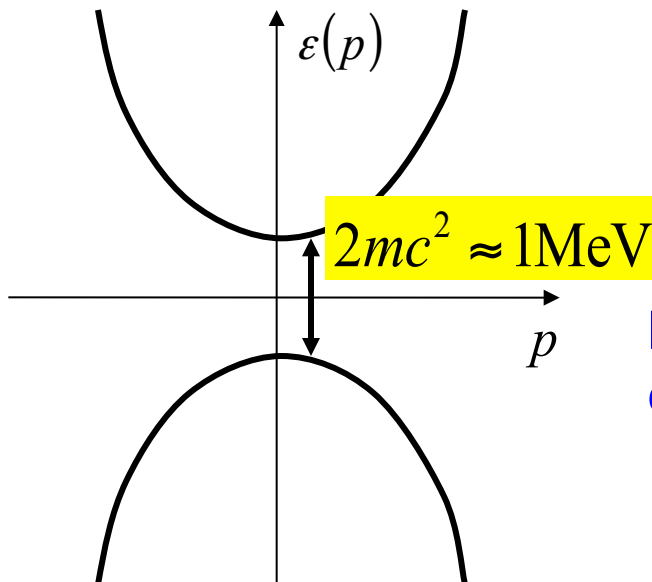
Basics on Spin-Orbit Interaction

Relativistic (Einstein) correction
from Dirac equation:

$$H_{so} = \frac{1}{2mc^2} \vec{s} \cdot \left(\nabla V \times \frac{\vec{p}}{m} \right)$$

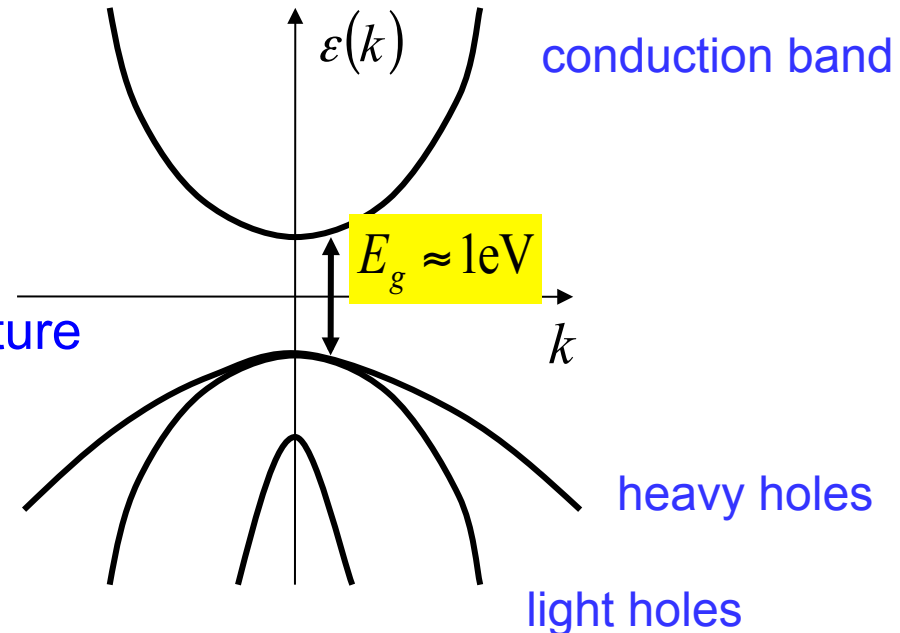
Thomas term ($\rightarrow$ Rashba SOI)

free electrons



bandstructure
effects

semiconductor (zinc-blende)



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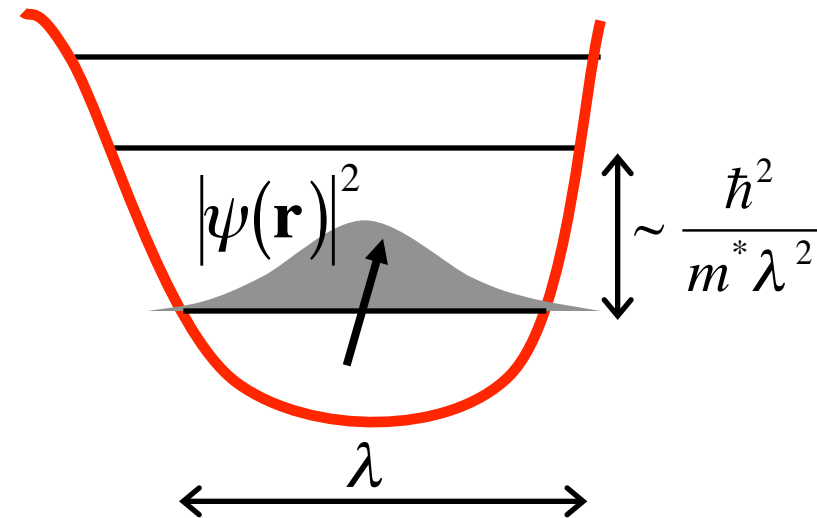
Model Hamiltonian:

$$H = H_{dot} + H_Z + H_{SO} + U_{el-ph}(t) \quad \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{piezoelectric \& deformation} \\ \text{acoustic} \end{array}$$

$$H_{dot} = \frac{p^2}{2m^*} + U(\mathbf{r}/\lambda)$$

$$H_Z = \frac{1}{2} g \mu_B \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}$$

$$U_{el-ph}(t) = \dots \quad \leftarrow \text{any potential fluctuation, e.g., phonons}$$



Electron-phonon interaction (quasi-2D)

$$U_{el-ph} = \sum_{\mathbf{q},j} \frac{F(q_z) e^{i\mathbf{q}_{\parallel}\mathbf{r}}}{\sqrt{2\rho_c \omega_{qj}}/\hbar} (e\beta_{\mathbf{q}j} - iq\Xi_{\mathbf{q}j}) (b_{-\mathbf{q}j}^+ + b_{\mathbf{q}j})$$

- piezo-electric interaction:

$$\beta_{\mathbf{q}j} = \frac{2\pi}{q^2 K} \beta^{\mu\nu\varpi} q_{\mu} (q_{\nu} e_{\varpi}^{(j)}(\mathbf{q}) + q_{\varpi} e_{\nu}^{(j)}(\mathbf{q})) \quad \mathbf{q} = (\mathbf{q}_{\parallel}, q_z)$$

- deformation potential interaction:

$$\Xi_{\mathbf{q}j} = \frac{1}{2q} \Xi^{\mu\nu} (q_{\mu} e_{\nu}^{(j)}(\mathbf{q}) + q_{\nu} e_{\mu}^{(j)}(\mathbf{q}))$$

for GaAs: $\Xi_{\mathbf{q}j} = \Xi_0 \delta_{j,1}$ and $\beta^{\mu\nu\varpi} = \begin{cases} h_{14}, & \mu\nu\varpi = xyz(\text{cyclic}) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Quantum well form-factor $F(q_z)$:

$$F(q_z) = \int dz e^{iq_z z} |\psi(z)|^2$$

- parabolic quantum well:

$$\psi(z) = \pi^{-1/4} d^{-1/2} e^{-z^2/2d^2} \Rightarrow F(q_z) = e^{-q_z^2 d^2/4}$$

- rectangular quantum well ($0 < z < d$):

$$\psi(z) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{d}} \sin \frac{\pi z}{d} \Rightarrow F(q_z) = \frac{e^{iq_z d} - 1}{iq_z d} \frac{1}{1 - (q_z d/2\pi)^2}$$

- triangular quantum well (Fang-Howard approx.):

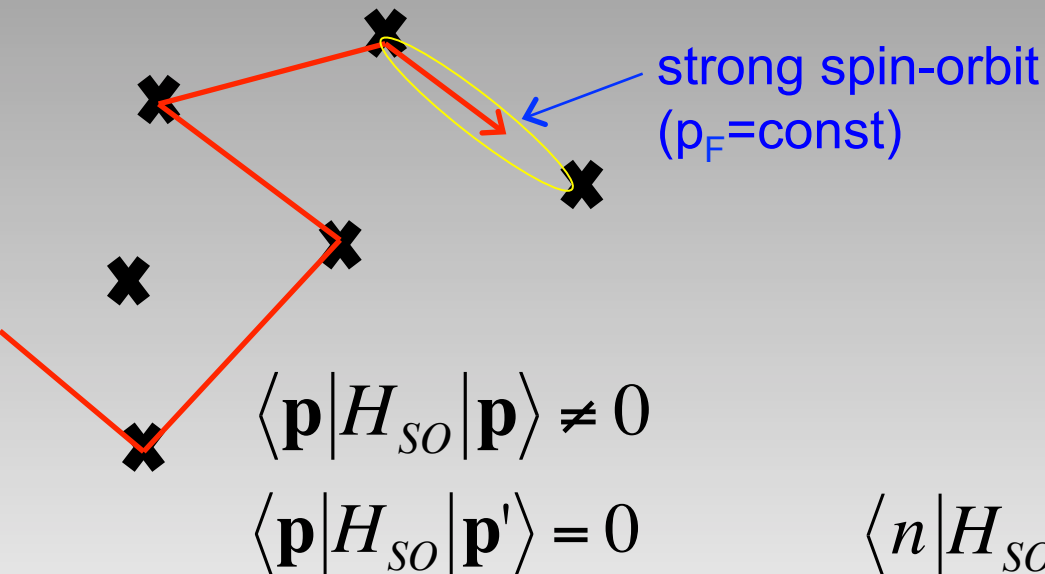
$$\psi(z) = \sqrt{\frac{b^3}{2}} z e^{-zb/2}, \quad b = \left(\frac{33e^2 m^* n_0}{8\hbar^2 \epsilon \epsilon_0} \right)^{1/3}, \Rightarrow F(q_z) = \frac{1}{(1 - iq_z/b)^3}$$

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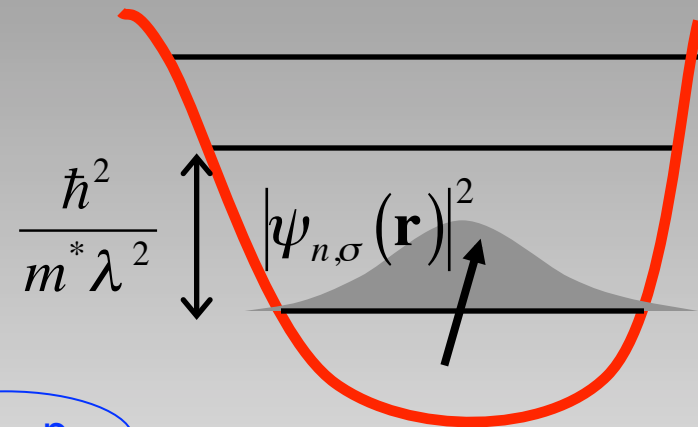
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2. spin-orbit interaction in quantum dot is *weak*

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quantum dot:



$H_{SO} \sim p_{x,y}$

$$\langle n | H_{SO} | n \rangle \propto \langle n | [H_0, x] | n \rangle = 0$$

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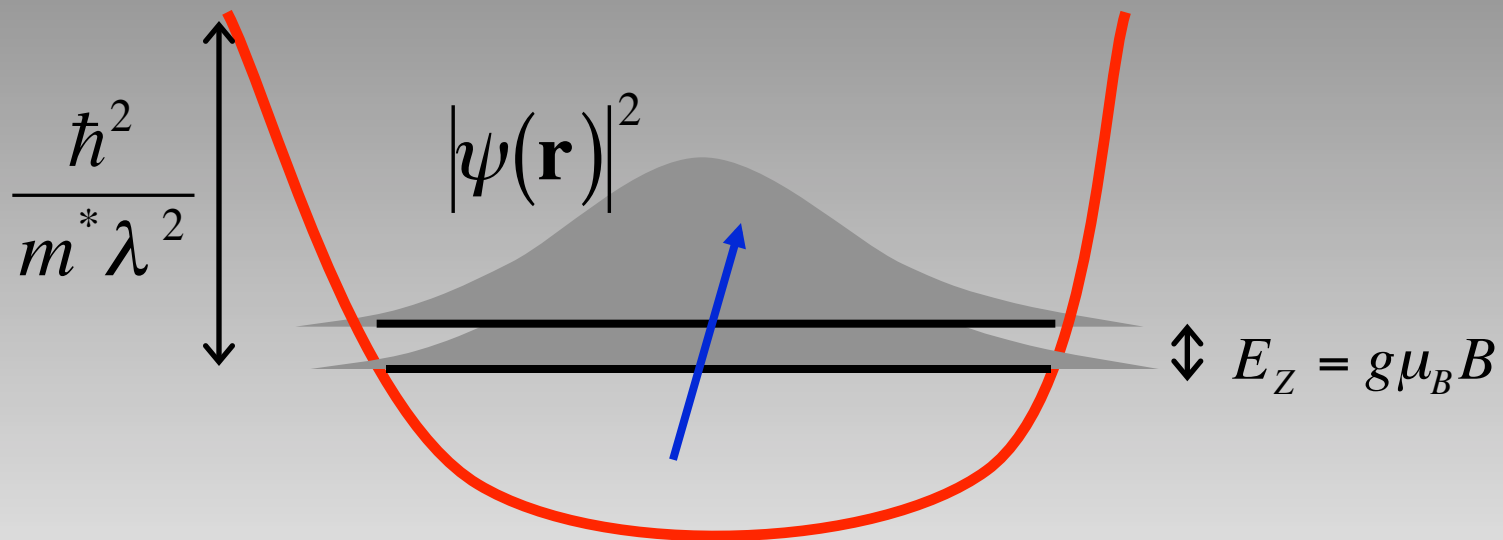
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the dot stays in its orbital ground state



Spin = Kramers doublet of ground state

Derivation via Schrieffer-Wolff transformation *):

$$H = H_{dot} + H_Z + H_{SO} + U_{el-ph}(t)$$

$$\tilde{H} = e^S H e^{-S} \approx H_d + H_Z + U_{el-ph}(t) + [S, U_{el-ph}(t)]$$

unitary trafo removes
1st order in H_{SO}

with S defined by

$$[H_d + H_Z, S] \equiv (\hat{L}_d + \hat{L}_Z)S = H_{SO}$$

Liouville superoperators

with $p_x = im^*[H_d, x]$, get

$$H_{SO} = i[H_d, \sigma \cdot \xi] \equiv i\hat{L}_d \sigma \cdot \xi$$

thus:

$$S = \frac{1}{\hat{L}_d + \hat{L}_Z} i\hat{L}_d \sigma \cdot \xi = \left(\frac{1}{\hat{L}_d} - \frac{\hat{L}_Z}{\hat{L}_d^2} + \dots \right) i\hat{L}_d \sigma \cdot \xi = S^{(0)} + S^{(1)} + \dots$$

$$S^{(0)} = i\sigma \cdot \xi, \quad H_d |n\rangle = E_n |n\rangle$$

no orbital B-effect to $O(H_{so})$:

$$[S^{(0)}, U_{el-ph}(t)]_{nn} = [i\sigma \cdot \xi, U_{el-ph}(t)]_{nn} = 0$$

*) Bravyi, DiVincenzo, and DL, Annals of Physics 326, 2793-2826 (2011)

leading order is due to Zeeman term (no orbital):

$$S^{(1)} = -\frac{1}{\hat{L}_d} \hat{L}_Z i\sigma \cdot \xi = g\mu_B \sigma \cdot \left[\mathbf{B} \times \left(\frac{1}{\hat{L}_d} \xi \right) \right],$$

giving $H_{\text{eff}} = \langle \psi | \tilde{H} | \psi \rangle + \text{spin - independent constant}$

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where $\boldsymbol{\Omega}(t) = \langle \psi | \left[\left(\hat{L}_d^{-1} \xi \right), U_{el-ph}(t) \right] | \psi \rangle \propto \lambda / \lambda_{SO},$

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In this regime, we find effective spin Hamiltonian ($\sim H_{SO}, U_{e-ph}$):

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→ no dephasing!
i.e. $T_2 = 2T_1$

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Bloch Equations (Born approx. in δB):

$$\langle \dot{\mathbf{S}} \rangle = g\mu_B \mathbf{B} \times \langle \mathbf{S} \rangle - \Gamma \langle \mathbf{S} \rangle + \mathbf{Y}$$

(spin: Kramers doublet)

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \tau_c = \lambda / s = 100 \text{ ps} \ll T_{1,2} \\ \& \text{super-Ohmic spectrum} \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \text{Born-Markov approx. ok}$$

Decay tensor:

$$\Gamma_{ij} \propto J_{ij}(\omega) = \frac{g^2 \mu_B^2}{2\hbar^2} \int_0^\infty \langle \delta B_i(0) \delta B_j(t) \rangle e^{-i\omega t} dt$$

spectral function

decay:

$$\Gamma = \Gamma^r + \Gamma^d,$$

relaxation:

$$\Gamma_{ij}^r = \delta_{ij} (\delta_{pq} - l_p l_q) J_{pq}^+(\omega) - (\delta_{ip} - l_i l_p) J_{pj}^+(\omega) - \delta_{ij} \varepsilon_{kpq} l_k I_{pq}^-(\omega) + \varepsilon_{ipq} l_p I_{qj}^-(\omega),$$

dephasing:

$$\Gamma_{ij}^d = \delta_{ij} l_p l_q J_{pq}^+(0) - l_i l_p J_{pj}^+(0) \rightarrow 0$$

$$J_{ij}^\pm(\omega) = \text{Re} [J_{ij}(\omega) \pm J_{ij}(-\omega)], \quad I_{ij}^\pm(\omega) = \text{Im} [J_{ij}(\omega) \pm J_{ij}(-\omega)]$$

Relaxation rate:

Bose function

super-Ohmic: $\sim z^3$

$$\frac{1}{T_1} \propto \text{Re } J_{XX}(z) = \frac{\omega^2 z^3 (2n_z + 1)}{(2\Lambda_+ m^* \omega_0^2)^2} \sum_j \frac{\hbar}{\pi \rho_c s_j^5} \int_0^{\pi/2} d\theta \sin^3 \theta$$

$$\times e^{-(z\lambda \sin \theta)^2 / 2s_j^2} \left| F\left(\frac{|z|}{s_j} \cos \theta\right) \right|^2 \left(e^2 \overline{\beta_{j\theta}^2} + \frac{z^2}{s_j^2} \overline{\Xi_j^2} \right) \propto \lambda^2 / \lambda_{so}^2$$

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piezo

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$$s_1 \approx 4.7 \times 10^3 \text{ m/s}, s_2 = s_3 \approx 3.37 \times 10^3 \text{ m/s}$$

speed of sound

$$\sqrt{\overline{\Xi_j^2}} = \delta_{j,1} \Xi_0, \Xi_0 \approx 7 \text{ eV}, \sqrt{\overline{\beta_{1,\vartheta}^2}} = 3\sqrt{2}\pi h_{14} \kappa^{-1} \sin^2 \vartheta \cos \vartheta, \sqrt{\overline{\beta_{2,\vartheta}^2}} = \sqrt{2}\pi h_{14} \kappa^{-1} \sin 2\vartheta,$$

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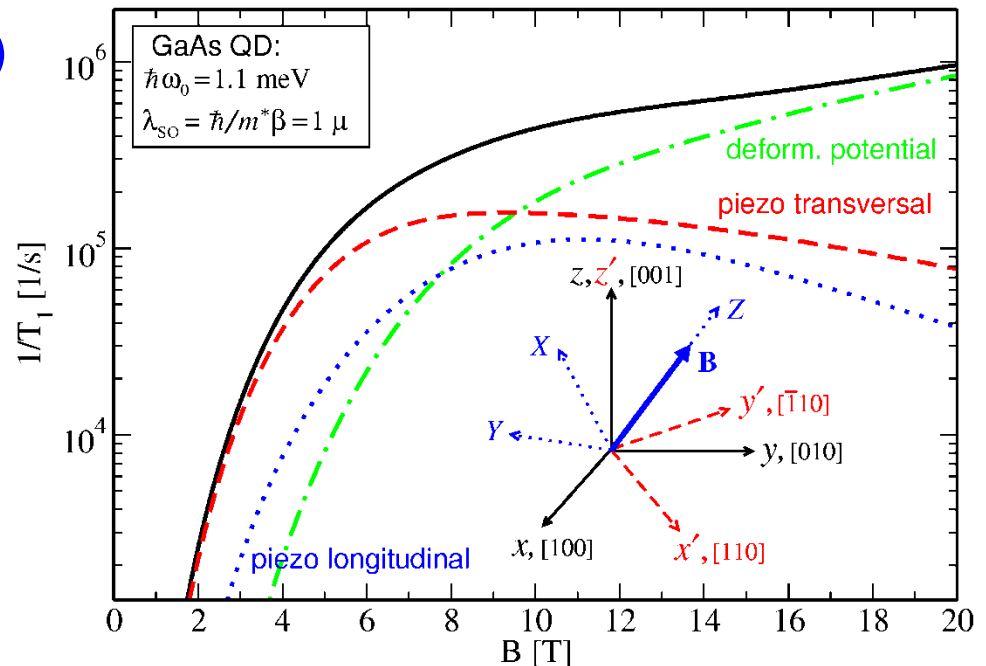
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Spin relaxation rate $1/T_1$ for GaAs quantum dot

$$\frac{1}{T_1} \propto (g\mu_B B)^2 + \nu_{ph}(\omega) \propto \omega^2 \times \int_0^{\pi/2} d\theta \sin^k \theta e^{-(g\mu_B B \lambda \sin \theta)^2 / 2s_j^2}$$

$\delta B^2 \propto B^2$ $\nu_{ph}(\omega) \propto \omega^2$ $H_{SO} \propto p_\alpha$

power-5 law for $B < 3\text{ T}$ (GaAs)



Golovach et al., PRL 93 (2004)

Numerical value of T_1 for GaAs parameters (13!):

$$\left(\hbar\omega_0, \lambda, d, \lambda_{SO} = \hbar/m^* \beta, \alpha, \kappa, \Xi_0, h_{14}, s_1, s_2 = s_3, \rho_c, m^* \right) =$$

$$\left(1.1 \text{ meV}, 32 \text{ nm}, 5 \text{ nm}, 9 \mu\text{m}, 0, 13.1, 6.7 \text{ eV}, 0.16 \text{ C/m}^2, \right.$$

$$\left. 4.73 \times 10^5 \text{ cm/s}, 3.35 \times 10^5 \text{ cm/s}, 5.3 \times 10^3 \text{ kg/m}^3, 0.067 m_e \right)$$

Zumbuhl *et al.* PRL 89 (276803) 2003

$$|g| = 0.43 \pm 0.04 - (0.0077 \pm 0.0020)B(T)$$

or with linear fit: $|g| = 0.29$ Hanson *et al.* PRL 91 (196802) 2003

Theory:

$$T_1 \approx 750 \mu\text{s}, \text{ for } B = 8 \text{ T} \quad \propto \lambda_{SO}^2 / \lambda^2$$

$T_1 = 550 - 1100 \mu\text{s}$ due to uncertainties in g factor

$T_1 = 2.7 \text{ ms}$ for $\lambda_{SO} = 17 \mu\text{m}$ [Huibers *et al.* PRL 83, 5090 (1999)]

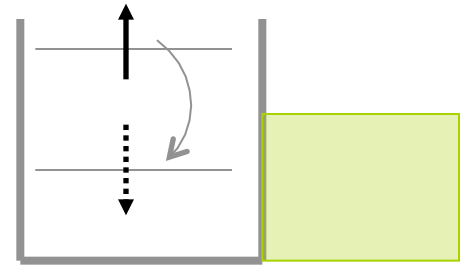
Experiment:

$$T_1^{\text{exp.}} = 800 \mu\text{s} @ 8 \text{ T}$$

Elzerman *et al.*,
Nature 430, 431 (2004)

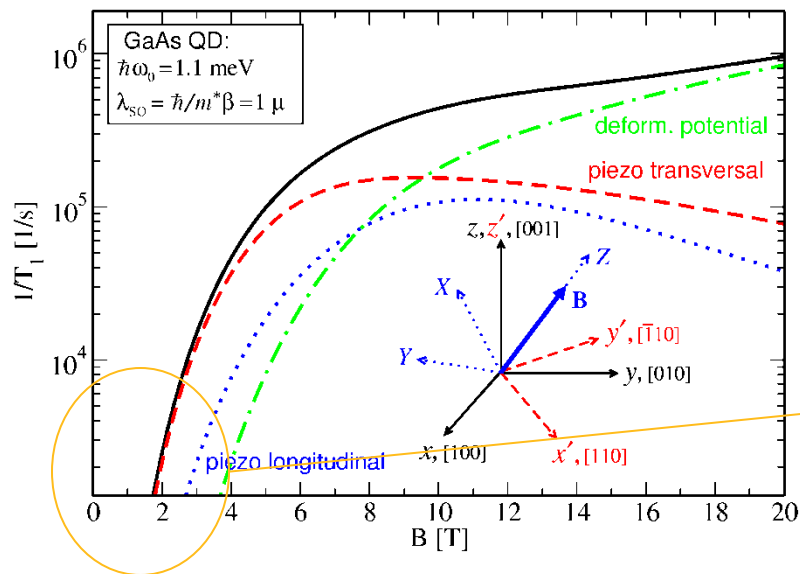
Read-out via spin-charge conversion:

DL&DiVincenzo 1998



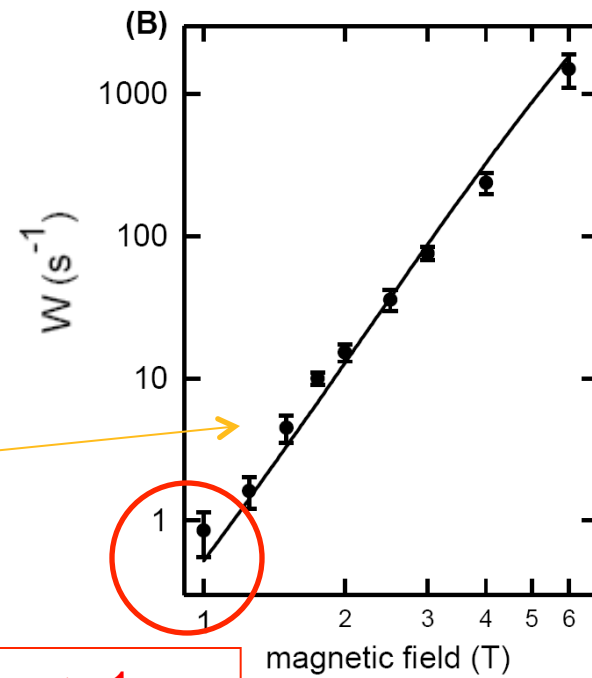
spin relaxation rates $1/T_1$:

Theory: Basel, 2004



→ prediction confirmed

Experiment: MIT 2008



> 1 sec

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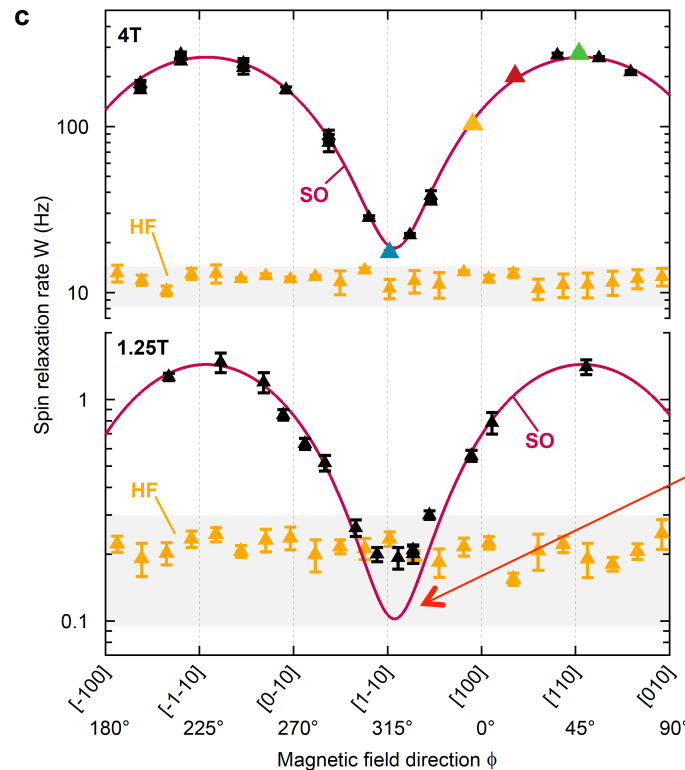
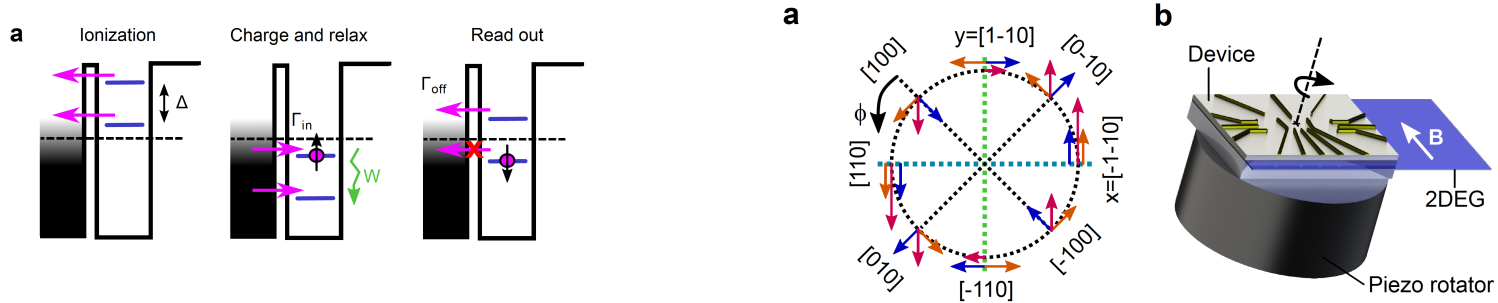
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Ultra-long spin relaxation in a single electron GaAs quantum dot

Camenzind, Yu, Stano, Zimmerman, Gossard, Loss, and Zumbühl, preprint 2017



dominant source:
hyperfine interaction
with nuclear spins

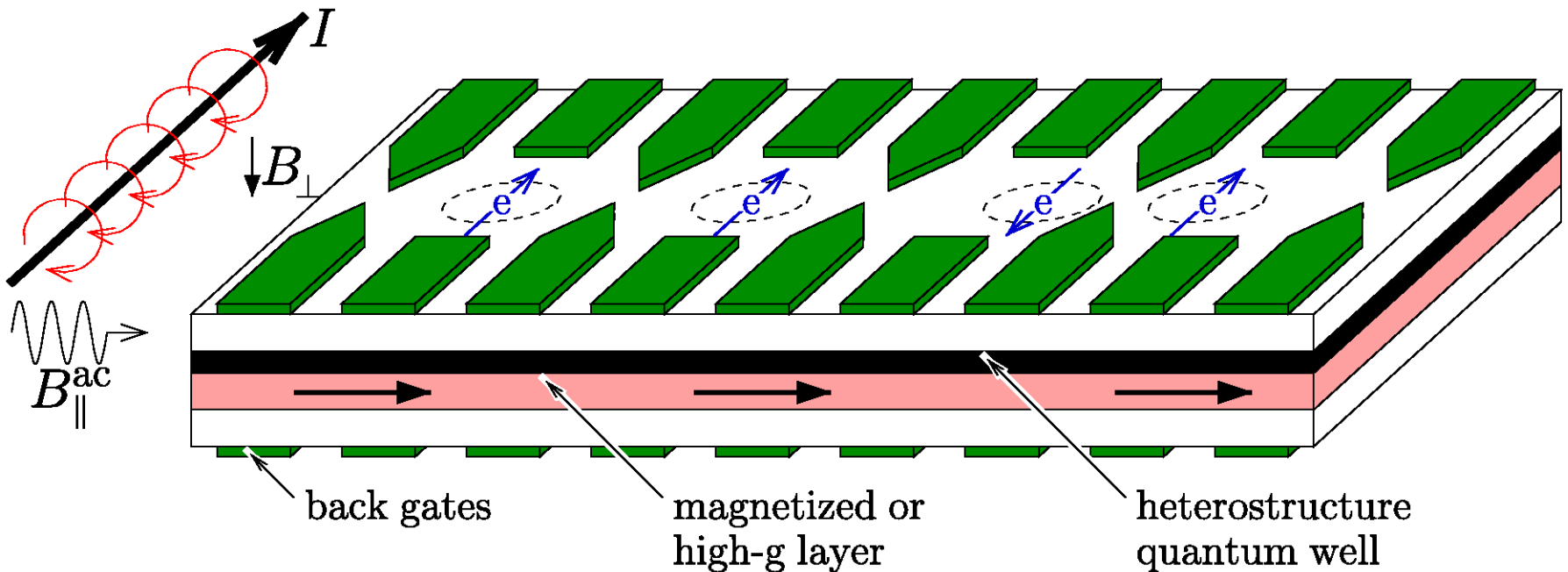
$T=60$ mK

$T_1 \sim 1$ min

→ current world record
even longer than in Si: $T_1^{\text{Si}} \sim 30$ s,
M. Simmons et al., 2017

Scaling-up of spin qubits → quantum dot array

DL & DiVincenzo, PRA **57** (1998) 120

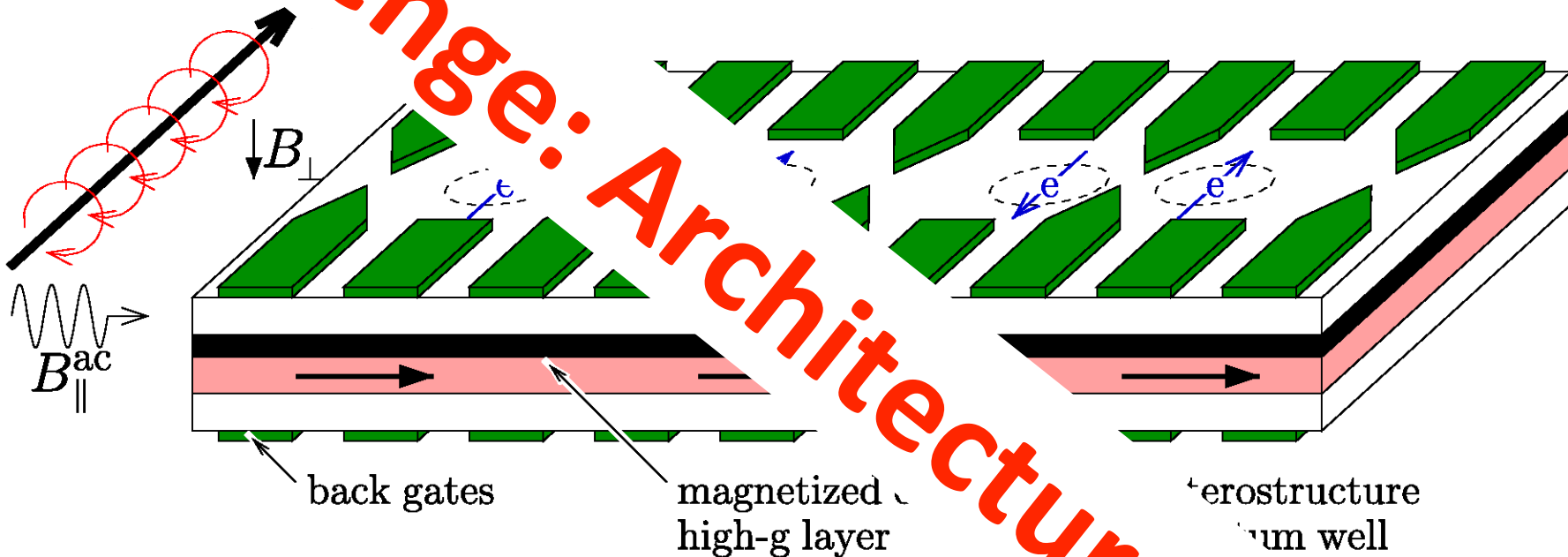


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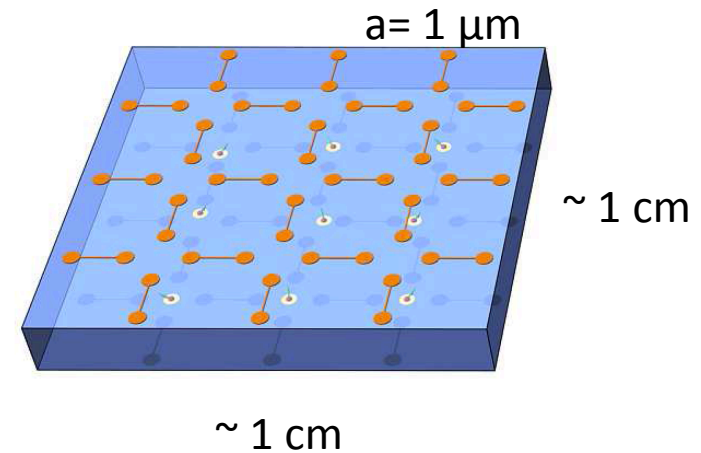
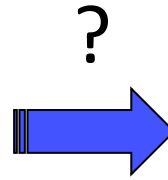
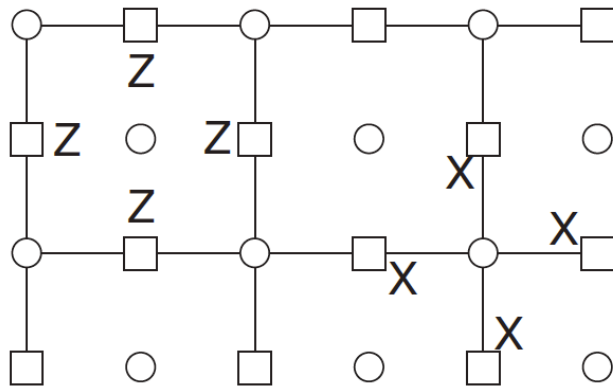
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Quantum Chip Size in Surface Code Architecture



Bravyi and Kitaev, arXiv:quant-ph/9811052
Raussendorf and Harrington, PRL 98,190504 (2007)

➔ powerful quantum computer of size 1 cm^2 with 10^8 spin qubits
GHz clock-speed ➔ can factor a 2000-bit number (RSA key) in 26h

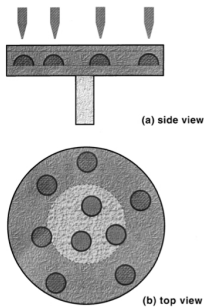
error threshold of ca. 1 % – 18 % (perfect measurement)*

Wang, Fowler, and Hollenberg, PRA 83, 020302 (2011)

*Error correction: Wootton and DL, PRL 109, 160503 (2012)

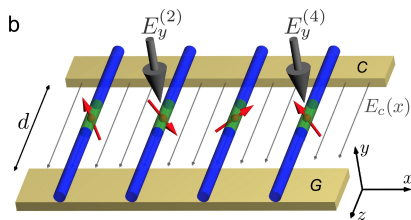
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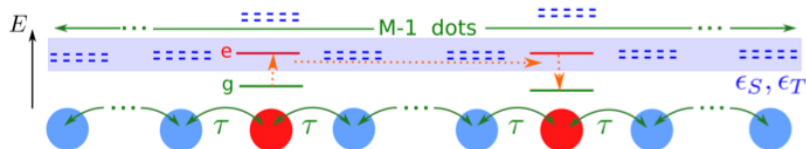
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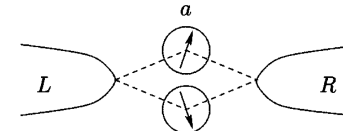
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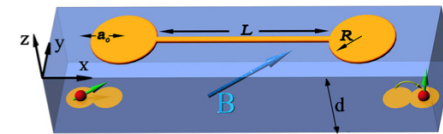
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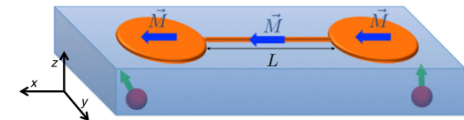
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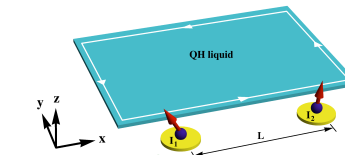
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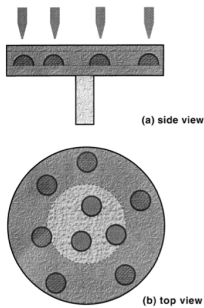
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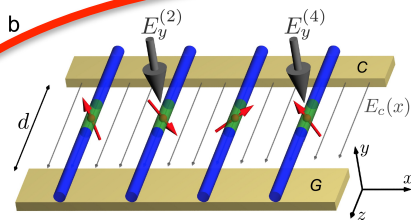
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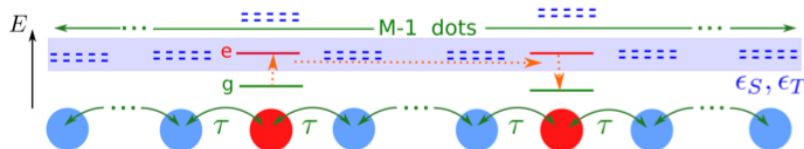
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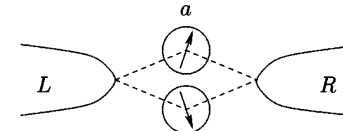
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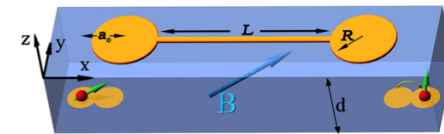
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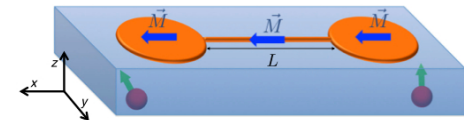
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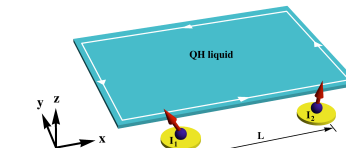
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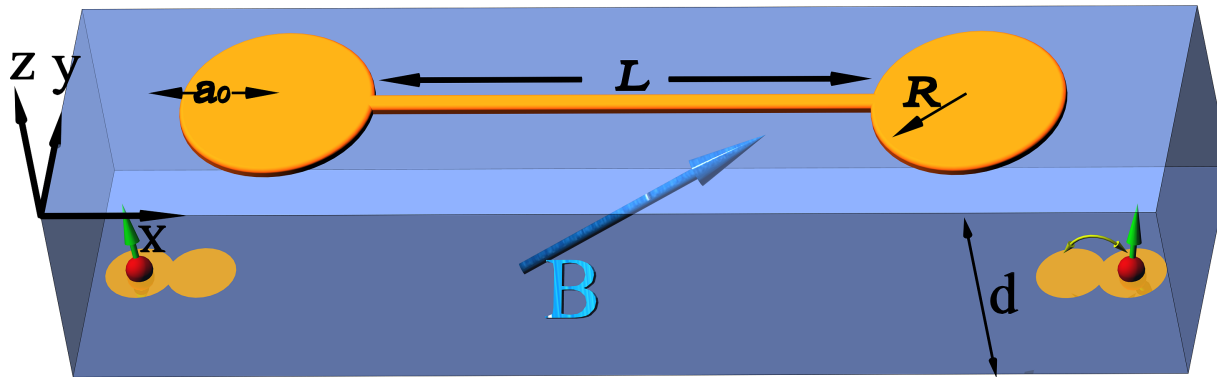
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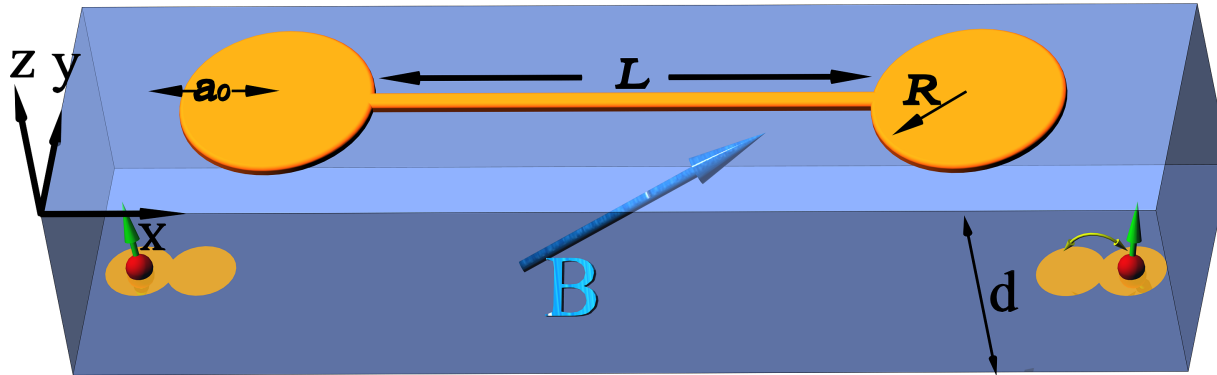


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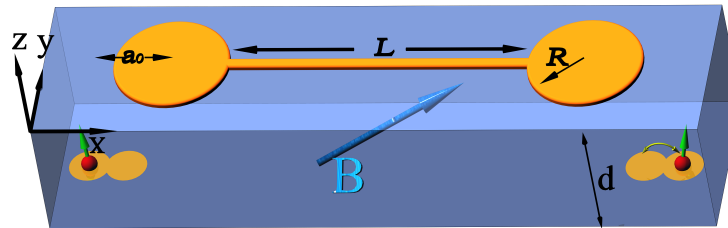


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$$J \simeq \frac{\pi \alpha_q \alpha_C}{4} \left(\frac{\partial q_{ind}}{\partial \tilde{x}} \right)_{r=0}^2 \left(\frac{E_Z}{\omega_x} \right)^2 \left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda_{SO}} \right)^2 \hbar \omega_x \sim 1-100 \mu\text{eV}$$

$$\tau_{\text{switching}} = \hbar / J \approx 1\text{ns} - 10\text{ps}$$

Electrostatics



induced charge on gate (flat disc):

$$q_{\text{ind}}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{2}{\pi} \arcsin(R/\xi_r),$$

Sten, J. Electrostat. 64, 647 (2006)

$$2\xi_r^2 = R^2 + d^2 + |\mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{r}|^2 + \sqrt{(R^2 + d^2 + |\mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{r}|^2)^2 - 4R^2|\mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{r}|^2},$$

Electrostatic coupling:

$$V(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) = \frac{\pi\alpha_q}{\kappa} \frac{e^2 q_{\text{ind}}(\mathbf{r}_1) q_{\text{ind}}(\mathbf{r}_2)}{R} \sim \ln(L/R_w)/L, \text{ for } L \gg R$$

where

$$\alpha_q = \frac{C_d}{C_w + 2C_d}$$

$$C_d = 2R/\pi,$$

capacitance of disc

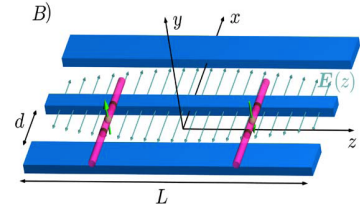
$$C_w = \frac{L}{2 \ln(L/R_w)},$$

capacitance of wire

Long-distance Spin-Spin Coupling via Photons

Spin1-photon + Spin2-photon $\rightarrow$ Spin1-Spin2

$$H_{s-s} = \sum_{i=1,2} \tilde{E}_{iZ}^i \sigma_Z^i + J(\sigma_+^1 \sigma_-^2 + \sigma_-^1 \sigma_+^2)$$



XY Spin-Spin Interaction – universal for quantum computing!

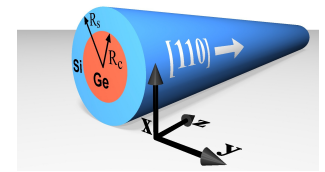
$$J = \frac{v_{E,1} v_{E,2}}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\Delta_1} + \frac{1}{\Delta_2} \right) : \text{ effective exchange coupling – } \textit{long-range (millimeters!)}$$

effective Zeeman + Stark shift + Lamb shift: $\tilde{E}_{iZ}^{eff} = E_{iZ}^{eff} + \frac{v_{E,i}^2}{\Delta_i} \left(n + \frac{1}{2} \right)$

detuning of the spin from the cavity mode: $\Delta_i = E_Z^{eff} - \hbar\omega$

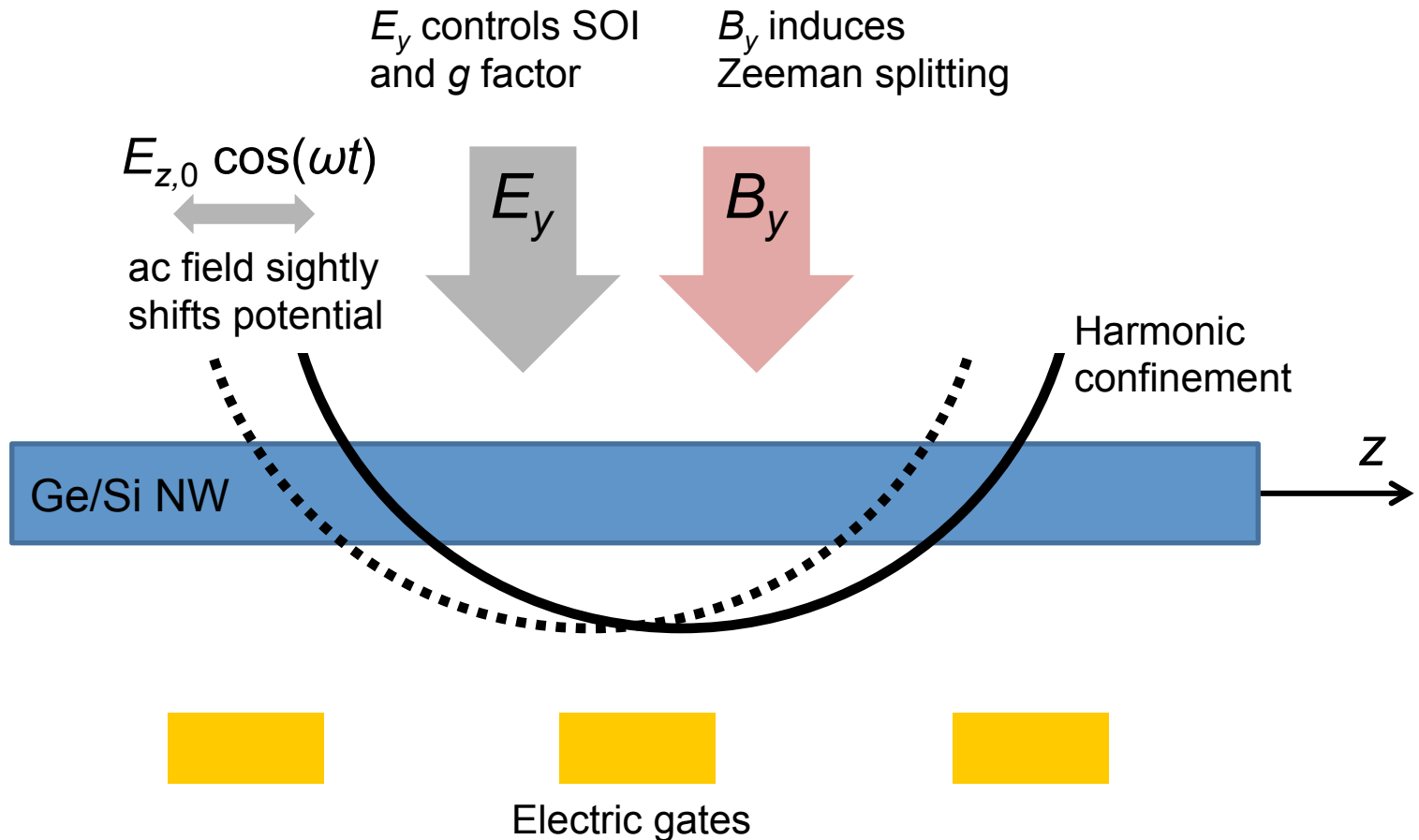
Setup with Ge/Si nanowire QDs

Kloeffel, Stano, Trif, & DL, PRB 88, 241405 (2013)



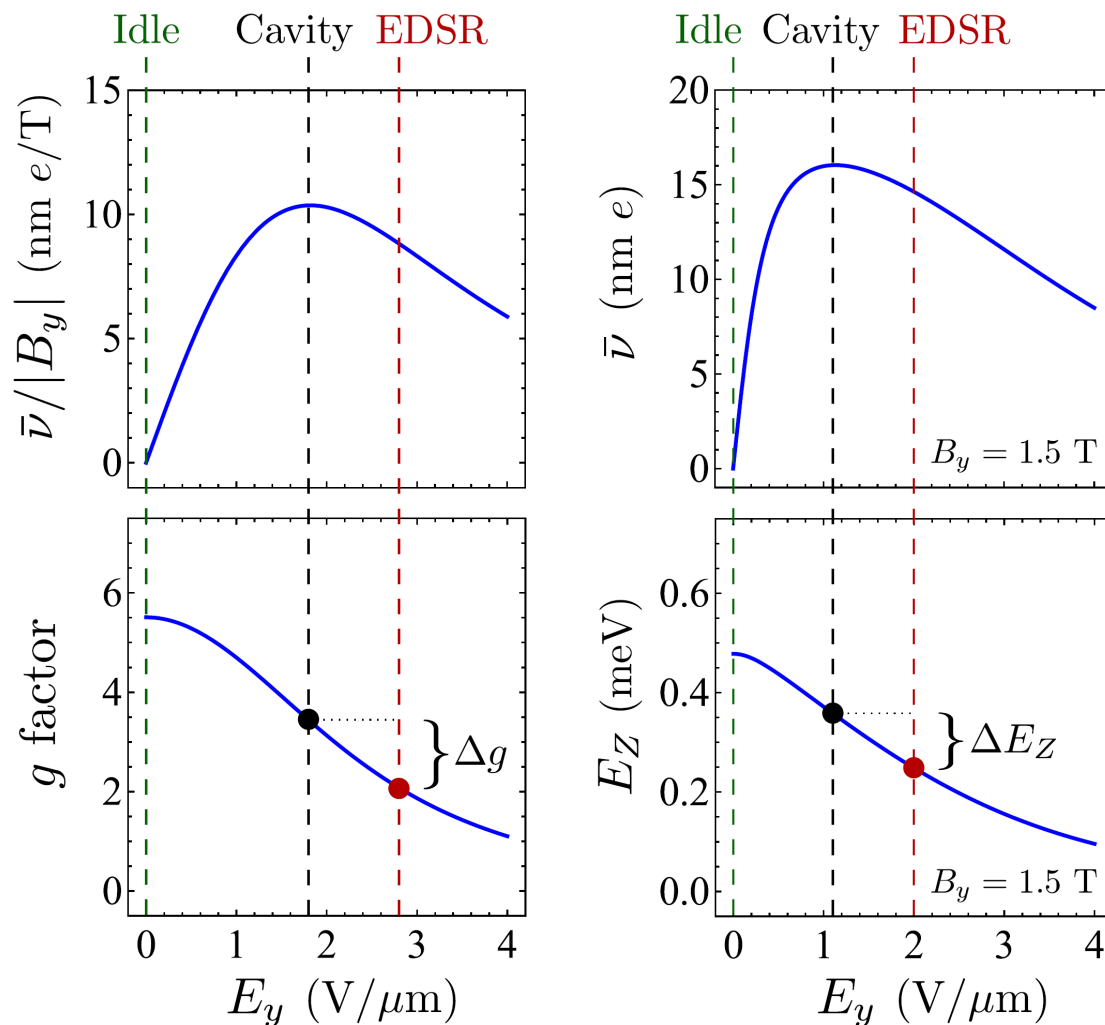
Ge/Si NWs typically have small core diameters $\sim 10\text{--}20$ nm

→ Elongated QDs



Single- and Two-Qubit Gates

Choosing different E_y for EDSR and cavity-mediated coupling allows independent control of single- and two-qubit operations

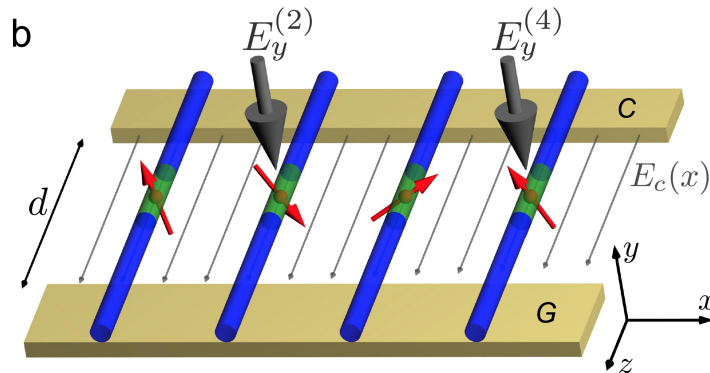


$R = 7.5 \text{ nm}$
 $R_s = 10 \text{ nm}$
 $l_g = 50 \text{ nm}$

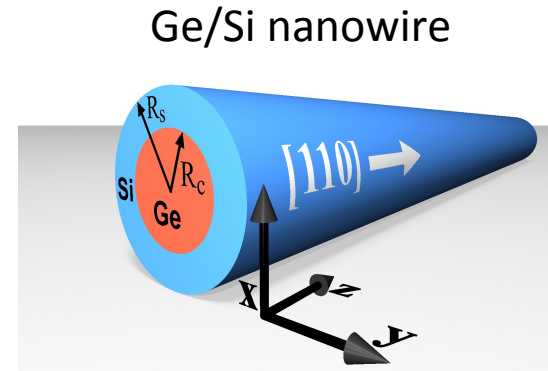
Hole-Spin Coupling via Photons

Kloeffel, Trif, Stano, and DL, PRB 88, 241405 (2013)

hole spin
qubits
coupled via
cavity mode



Wallraff *et al.*, Nature (2004)

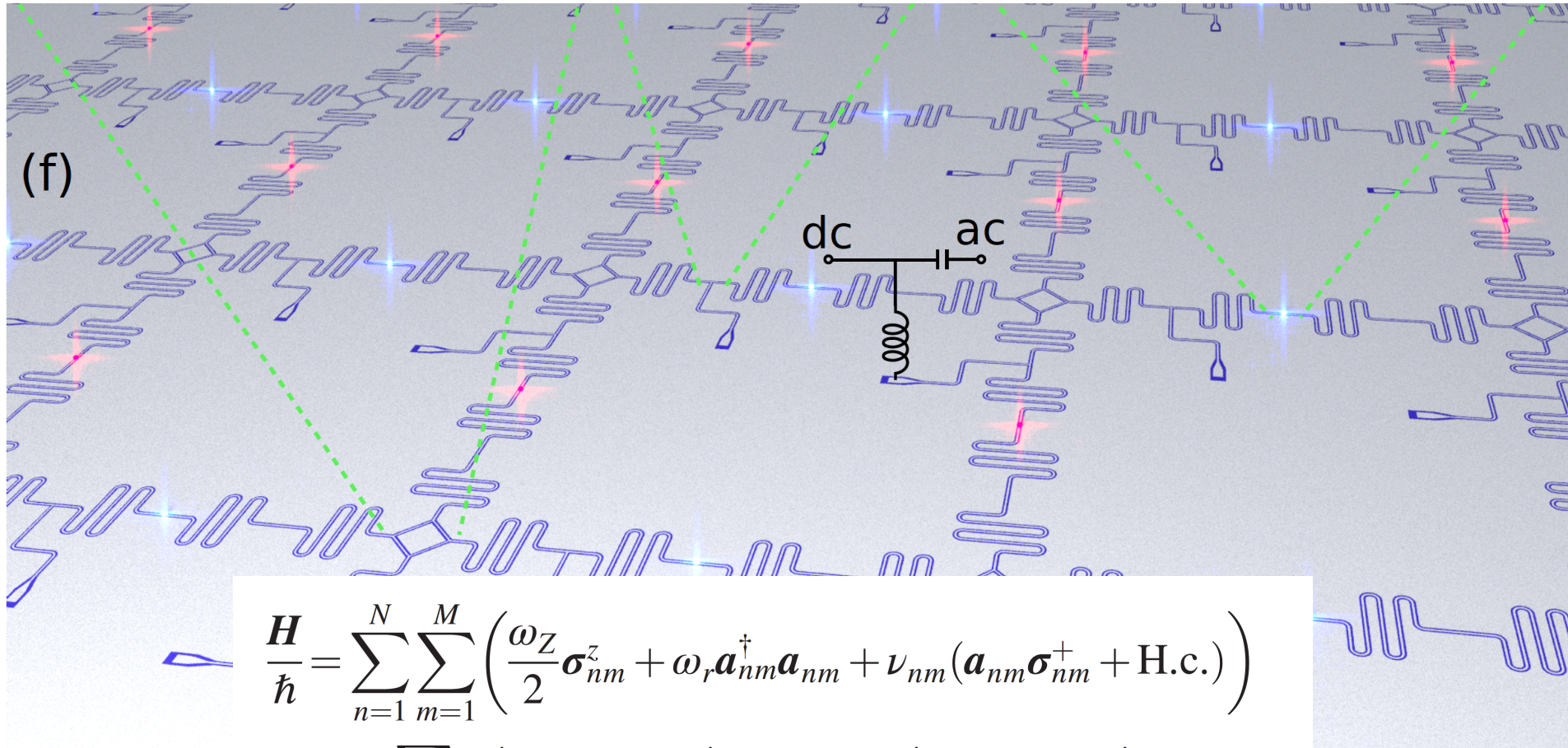


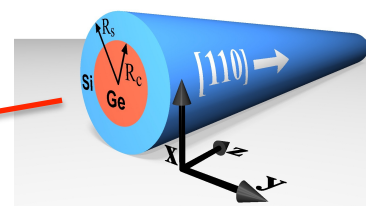
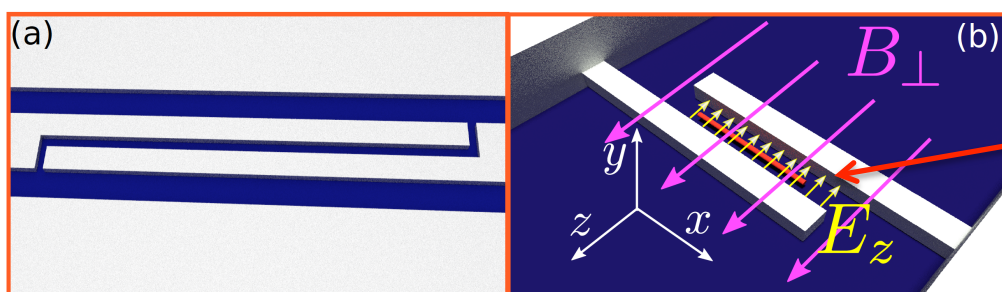
Ultra-fast gate operation times:

- single qubit : 40 - 100 ps
- two-qubit: 20 - 100 ns [limited by cavity field $E_z \sim 3\text{V/m}$]
- at reduced noise and large on/off ratio

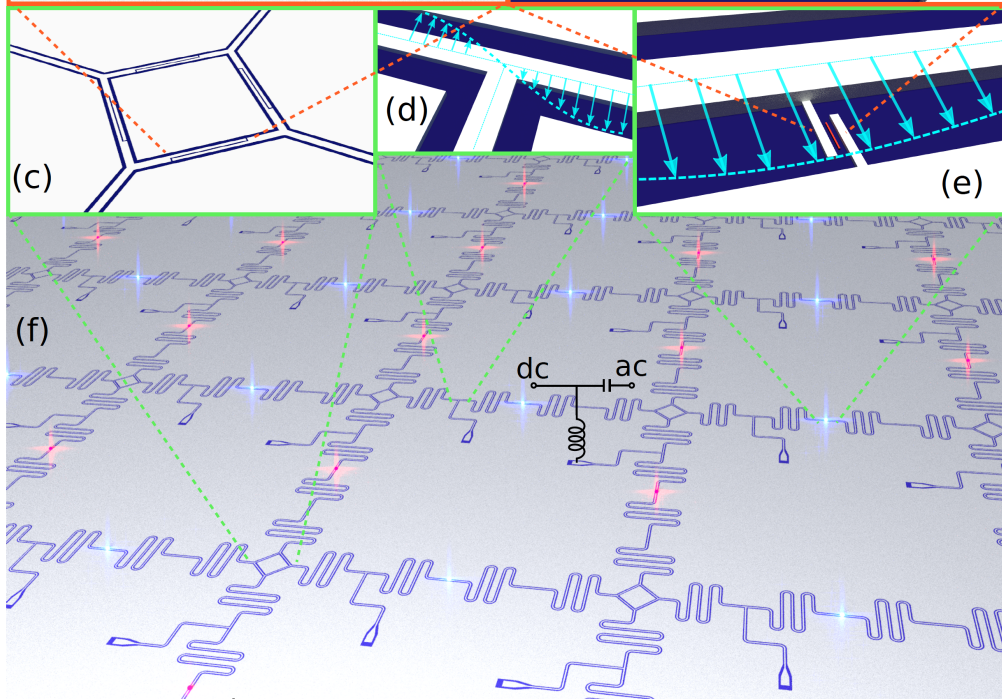
Grid-bus Surface Code with Hole Spin Qubits

Nigg, Fuhrer, and DL, PRL 118, 147701 (2017)



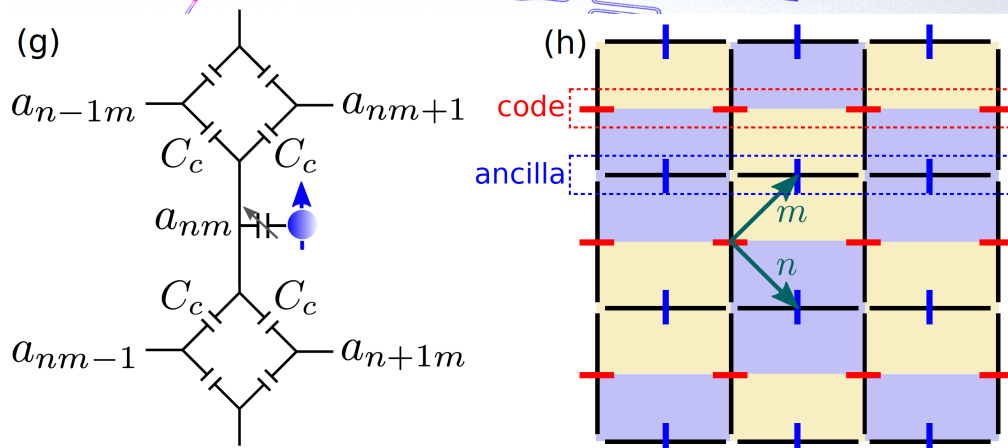


hole spin qubit in Ge/Si nanowire



$$\frac{H_{XY}}{\hbar} = \sum_{nm,n'm'} K_{nm,n'm'} \sigma_{nm}^+ \sigma_{n'm'}^- + \text{H.c.},$$

$$K_{nm,n'm'} = \frac{(\Delta m + \Delta n)! \nu_{nm} \nu_{n'm'}}{\Delta n! \Delta m!} \frac{J}{\Delta} \left(\frac{J}{\Delta} \right)^{\Delta m + \Delta n}$$



Nigg, Fuhrer, and DL,
PRL 118, 147701 (2017)

Parallel syndrome mapping

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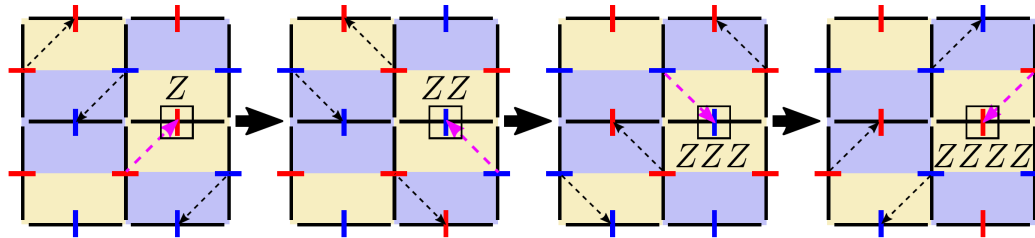


FIG. 2. Frequency layout for parallelization of syndrome mapping in four steps. Red (blue) bars denote qubits at frequency $\omega_Z^{(r)}$ ($\omega_Z^{(b)}$). The dashed black arrows indicate which couplings are resonant, i.e., active in a given configuration. The mapping of a ZZZZ stabilizer is highlighted as an example (magenta arrows).

Summary

- Quantum computing with spin qubits in quantum dots
- Decoherence of spin qubits due spin-phonon effects
- Scaling-up: Surface code with floating gates or cavities

Prospects for Spin-Based Quantum Computing in Quantum Dots

Kloeffel and DL, Annu. Rev. Condens. Matter Phys. 4, 51 (2013)