

# Ultrafast infrared spectroscopy with single molecular ions

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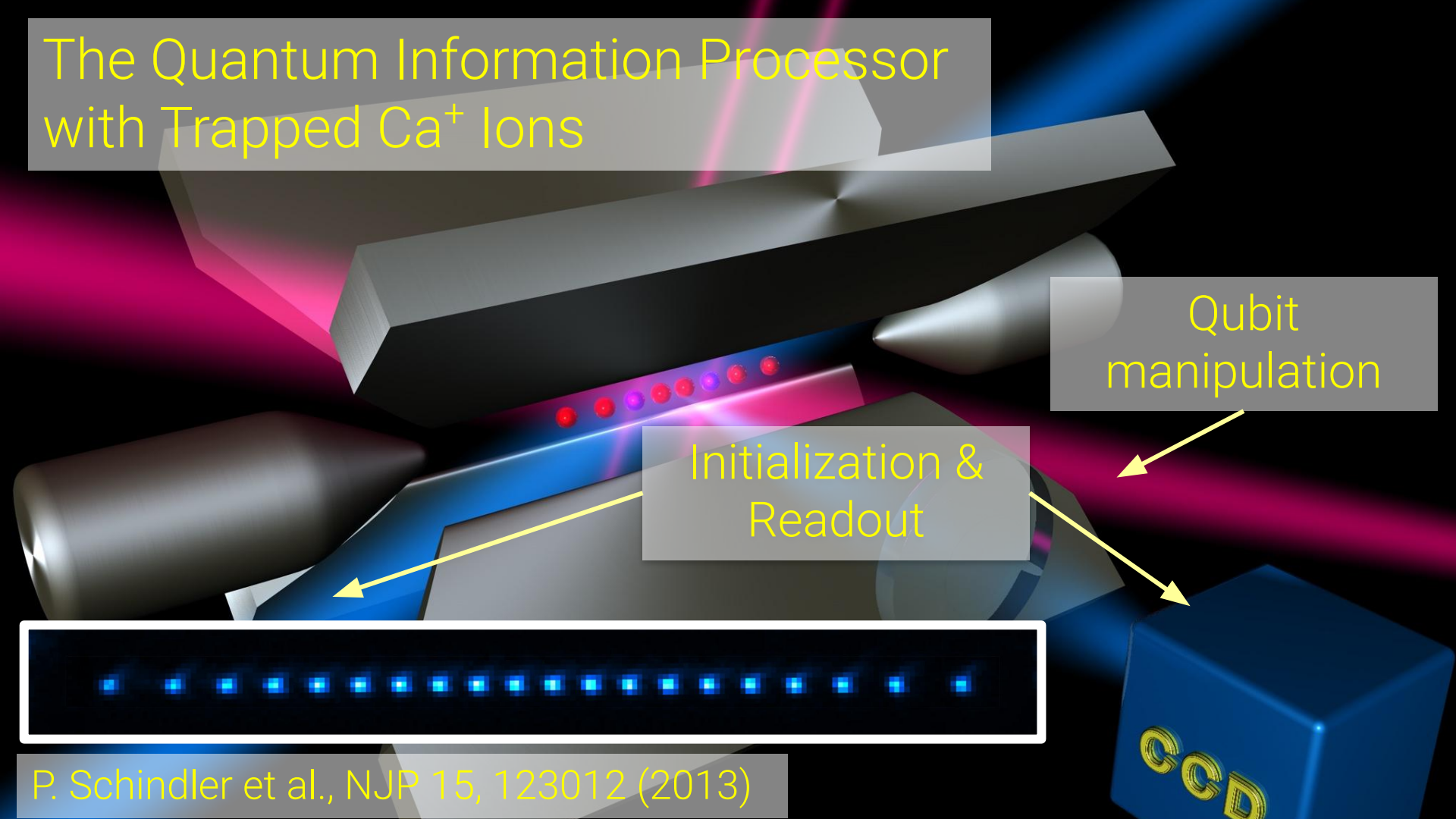
# The Quantum Information Processor with Trapped $\text{Ca}^+$ Ions

Qubit manipulation

Initialization & Readout

CCD

P. Schindler et al., NJP 15, 123012 (2013)



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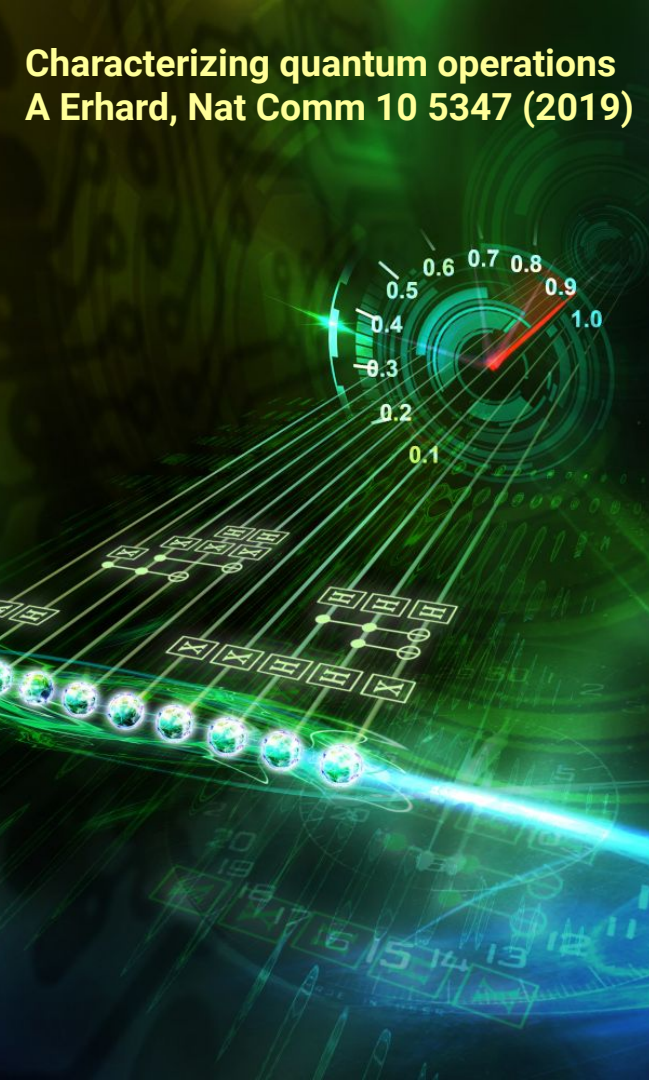
$T_2 > 100\text{ms} - T_{\text{gate}} = 10\mu\text{s}$   
Error rate  $< 1\%$

Limited by imperfections  
in control fields

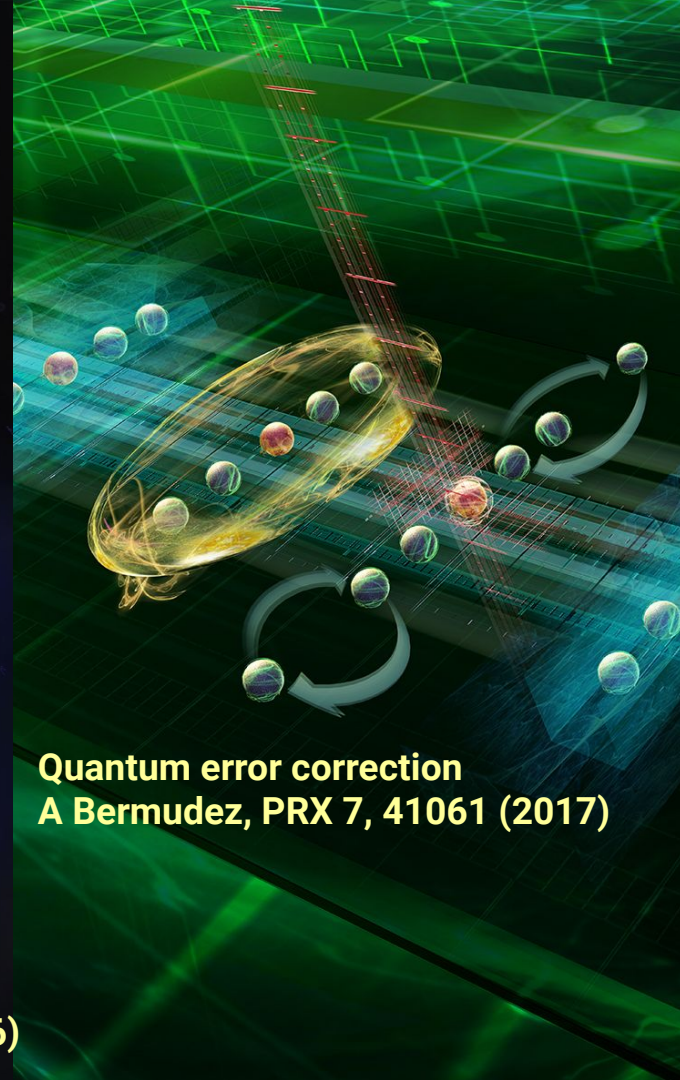




**Characterizing quantum operations**  
A Erhard, Nat Comm 10 5347 (2019)

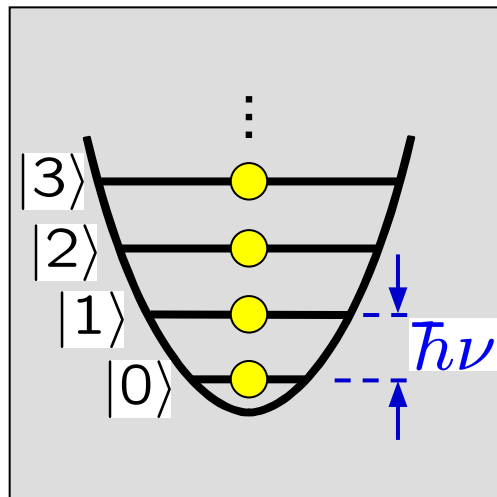


**Simulation of high energy physics**  
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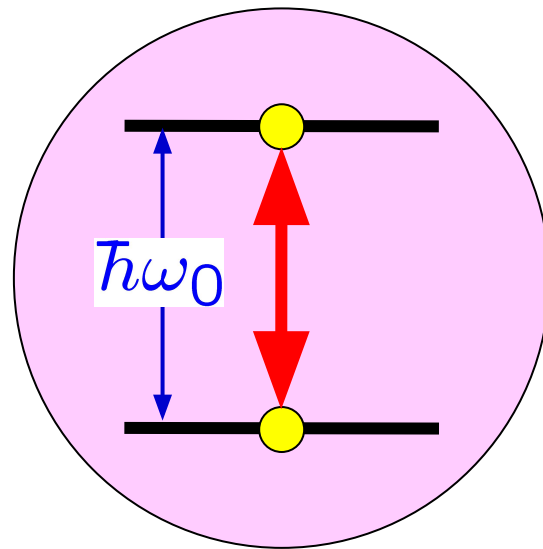


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# Ion traps for quantum information processing



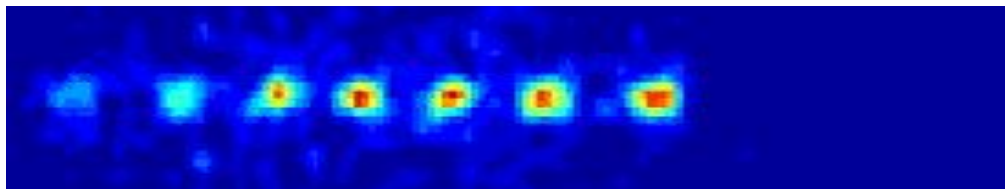
Ion motion



$$|D_{5/2}\rangle \equiv |\uparrow\rangle \\ \equiv |\mathbf{0}\rangle$$

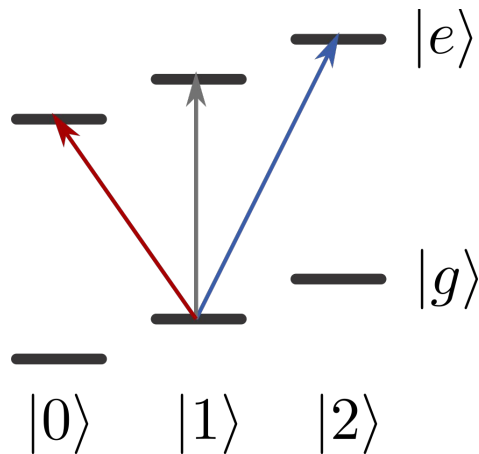
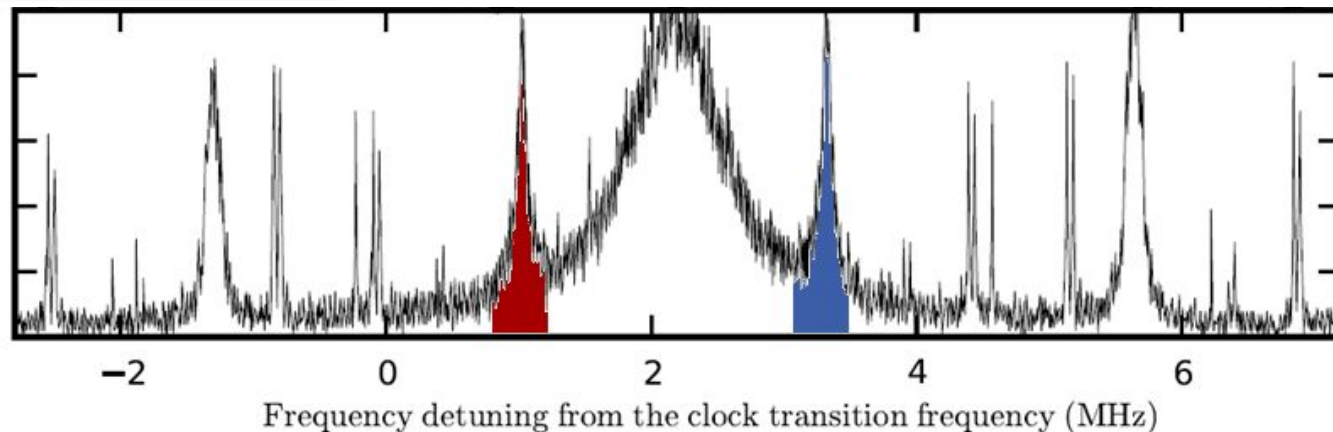
$$|S_{1/2}\rangle \equiv |\downarrow\rangle \\ \equiv |\mathbf{1}\rangle$$

Electronic state



Quantum bus to mediate interactions

# Coupling to the quantum bus



Carrier transition: No change of motional mode  
Red sideband: Reduce phonon number by one  
Blue sideband: Increase phonon number by one

**Conditional operations on electronic states depending on the motional state**

# What about molecules?

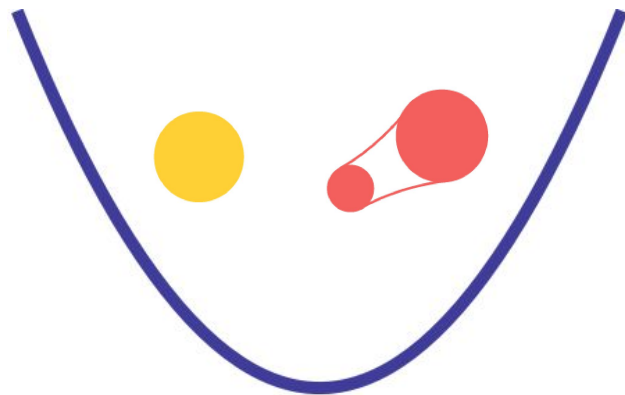
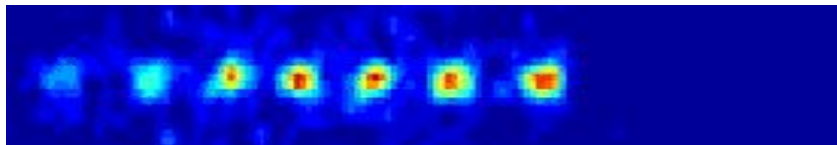
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Sympathetic cooling of external degree of freedom to the ground state

**Quantum Logic Spectroscopy** of internal degrees of freedom:

Use quantum logic techniques to prepare and read-out molecular state.

**Manipulate motional mode depending on molecular state**



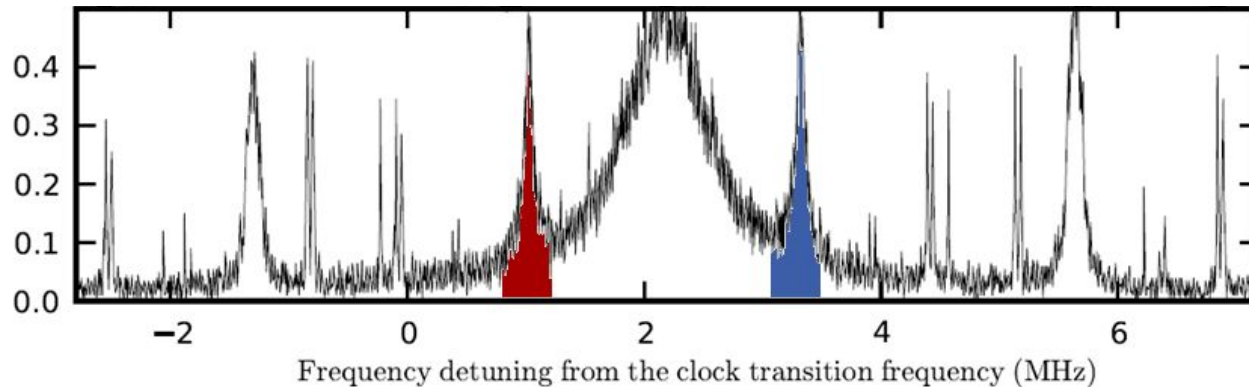
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# Time domain methods?

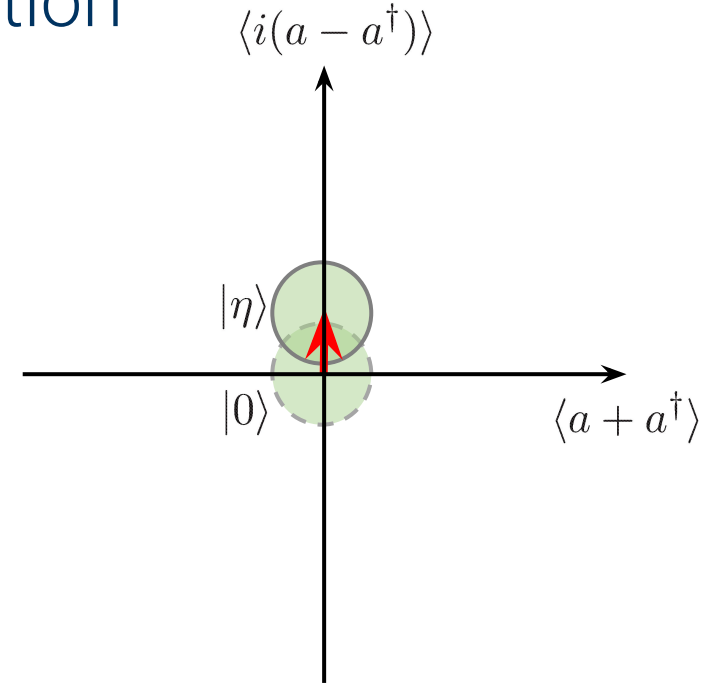
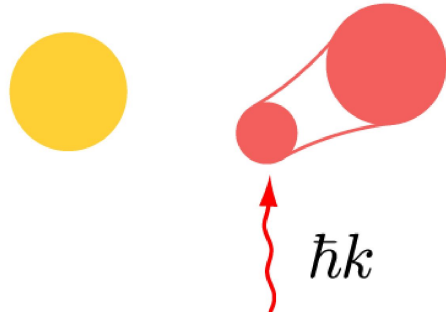


The motional frequency limits the speed of the interaction to several microseconds

**The motional state can be manipulated faster than its oscillating frequency!**



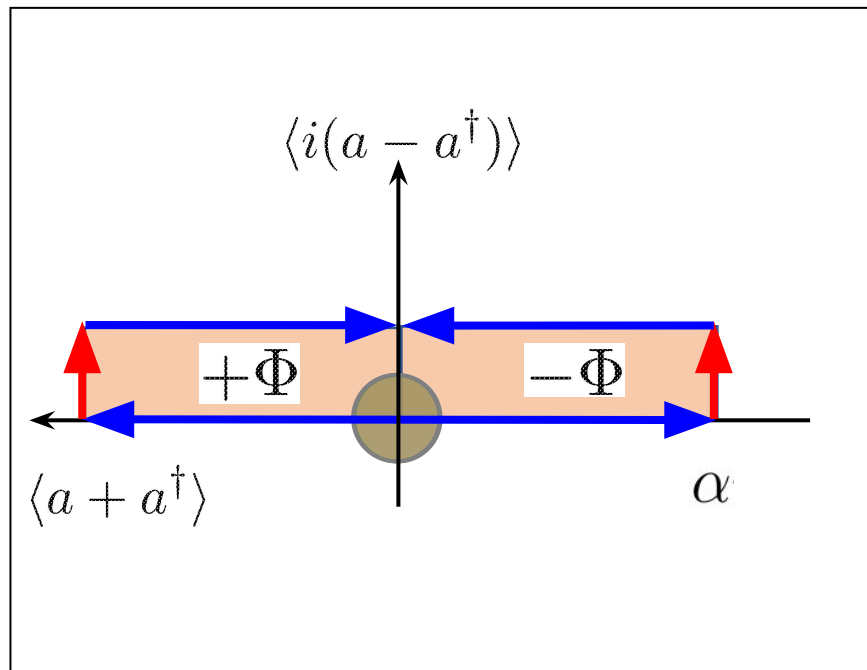
# A kick from single photon absorption



Detection probability for a ground-state cooled ion:

$$p = 1 - |\langle 0 | \hat{D}(\eta) | 0 \rangle|^2 \approx \eta^2 \quad \eta \ll 1$$

# Enhanced single photon detection scheme

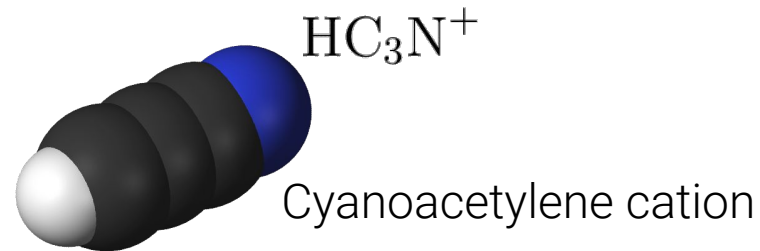
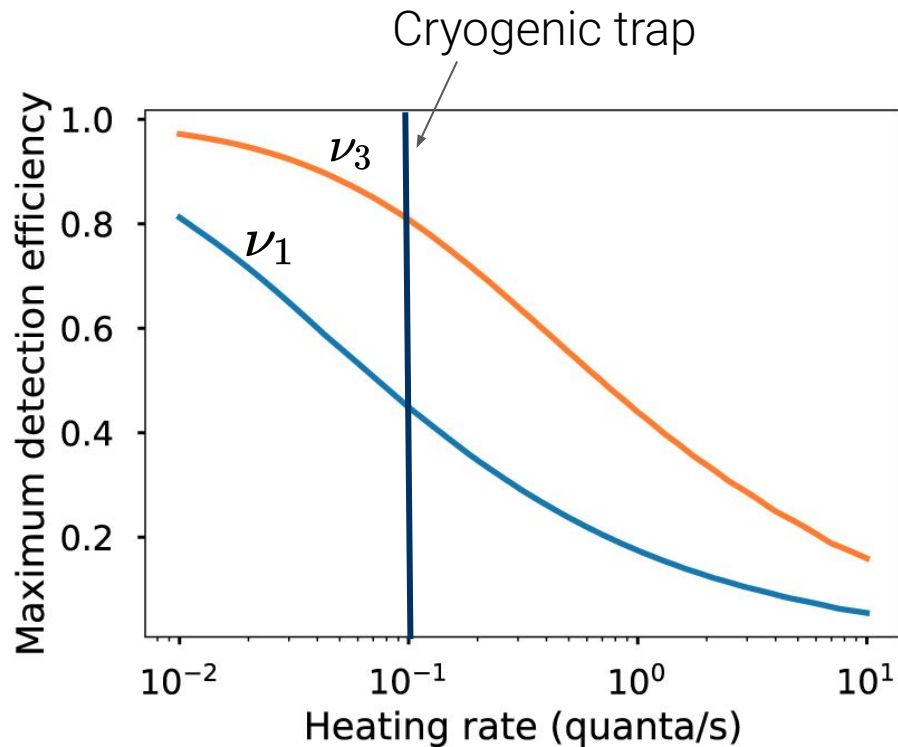


$$p_{det} = \sin(2\alpha\eta)^2$$



- 1 Create cat state
- 2 Absorption on molecule
- 3 Recombine cat state
- 4 Measure geometric phase

# Expected detection efficiency



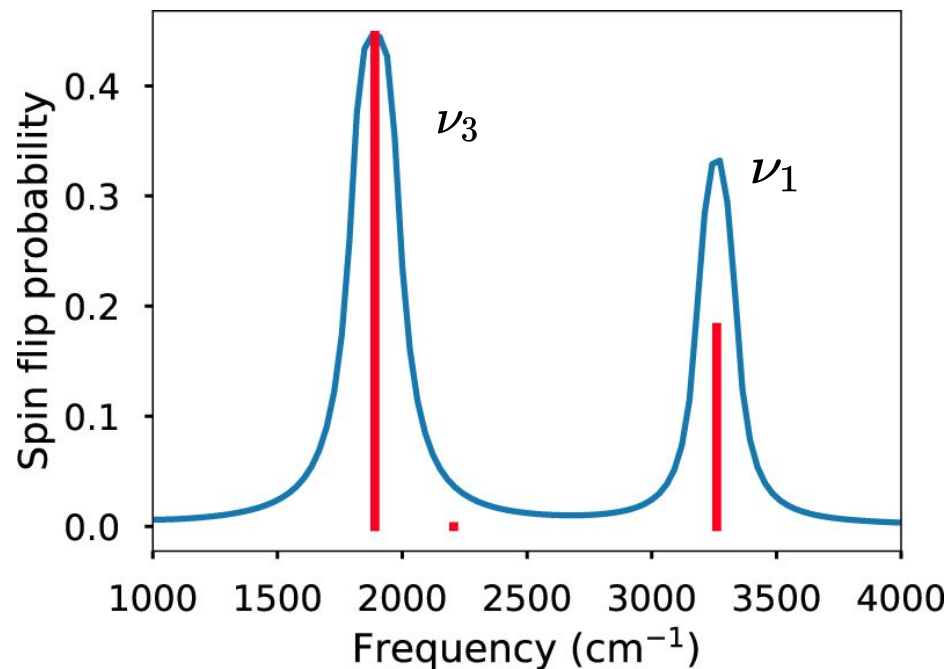
Mode	Frequency (cm <sup>-1</sup> )
$\nu_1$	<b>3259</b> (213)
$\nu_2$	2206 (2)
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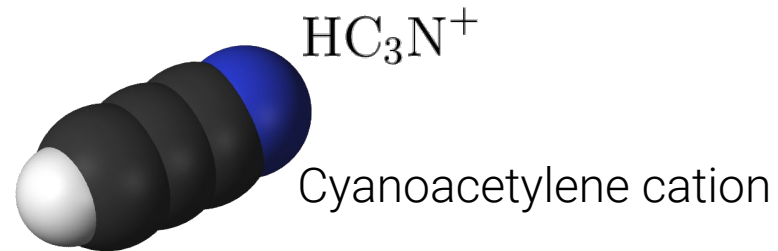
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# Single pulse spectrum



Single-pulse, single-photon  
absorption spectroscopy



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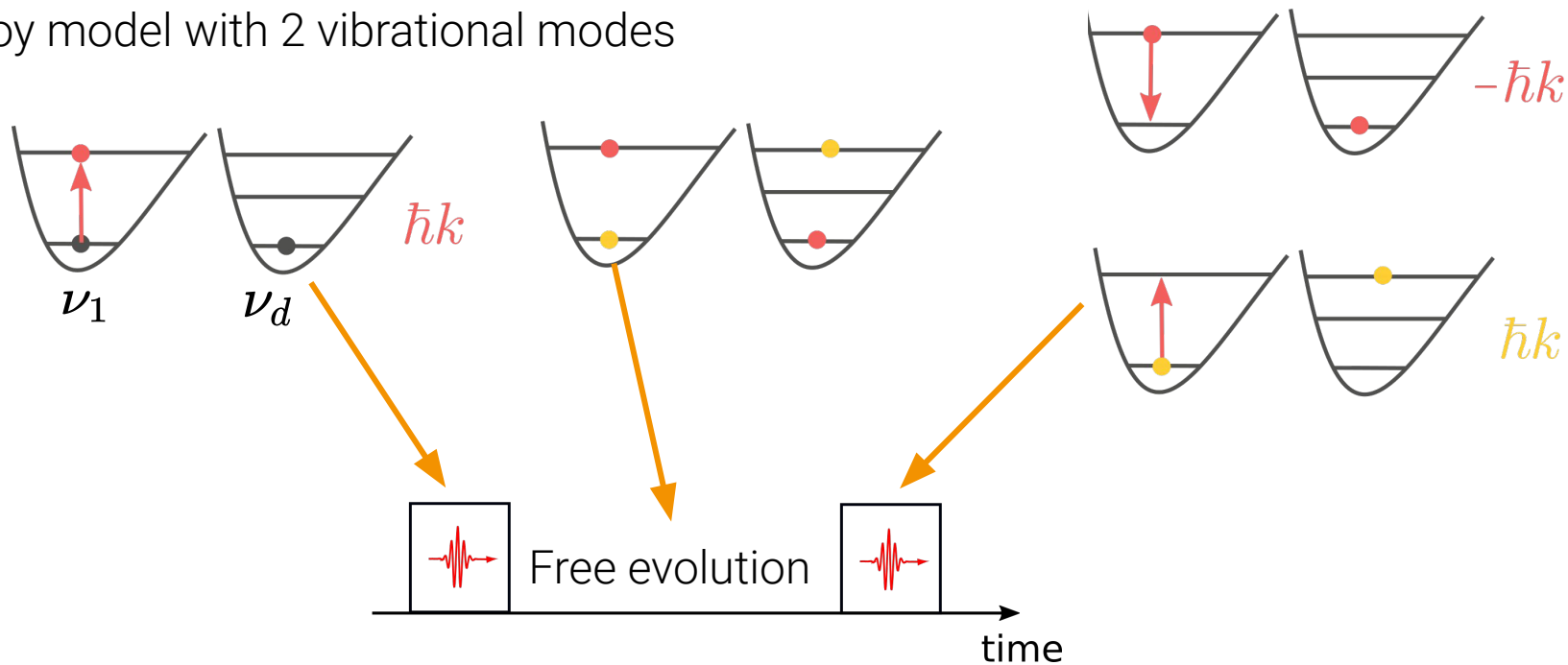
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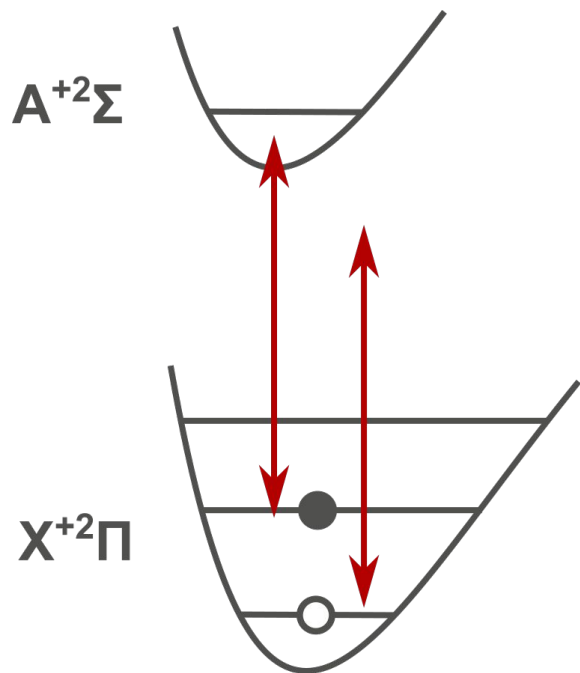
# Pump - Probe spectroscopy

Toy model with 2 vibrational modes

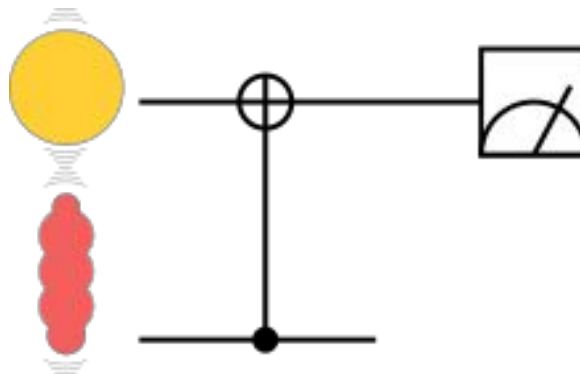


Measure the total recoil of  
multi-pulse sequence

# Optical dipole force



“Optical tweezer” with a force depending on vibrational quantum number

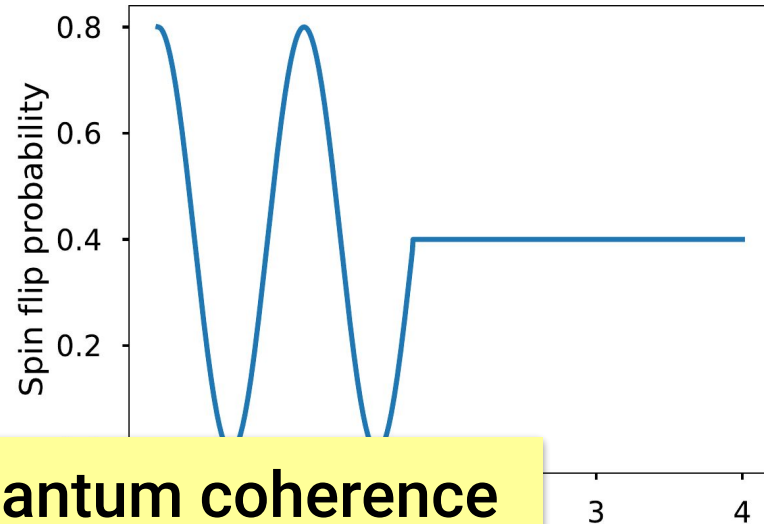
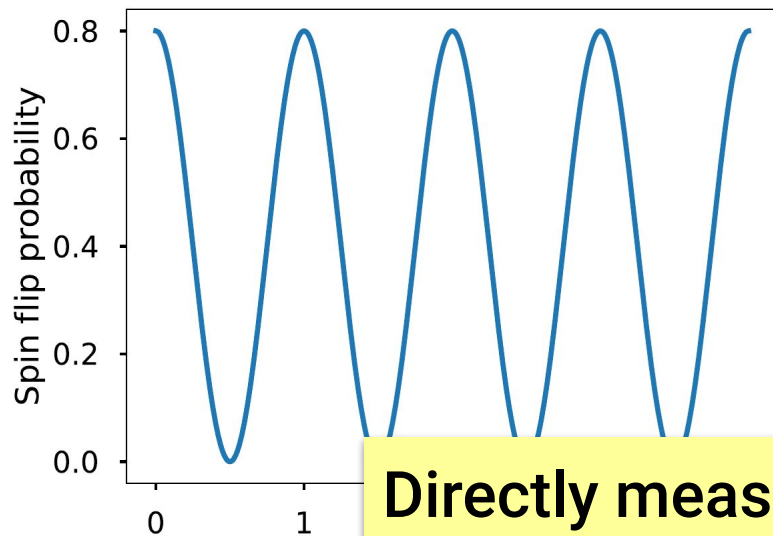


Corresponds to non-demolition measurement of vibrational population

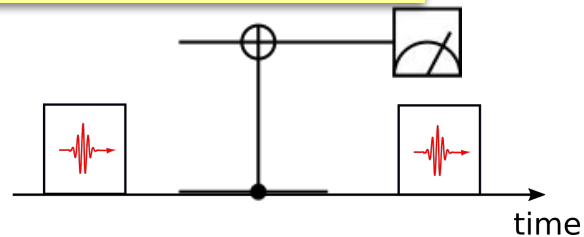
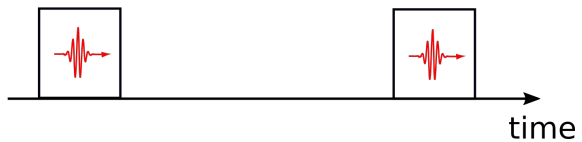
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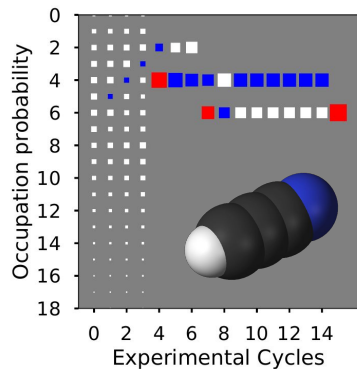
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# Quantum non demolition measurement

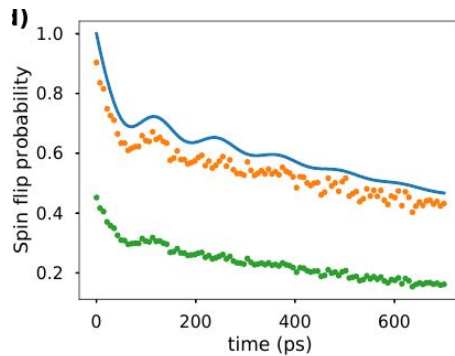


**Directly measure quantum coherence  
via back-action of the measurement**

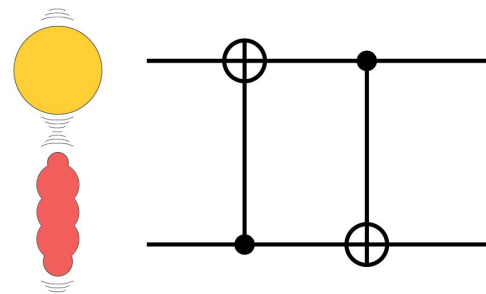




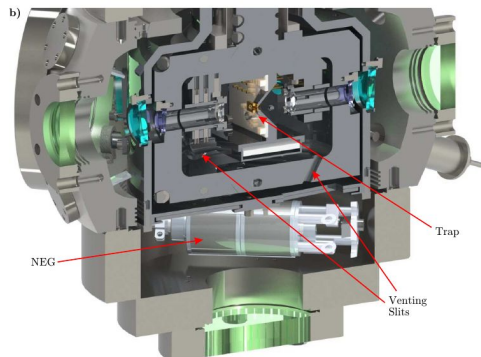
State preparation of  
polyatomic molecules



Characterize quantum  
dynamics in molecules



Molecule powered quantum  
information processing  
**Talk 15:40** R. de Vivie-Riedle



Experimental  
implementation



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