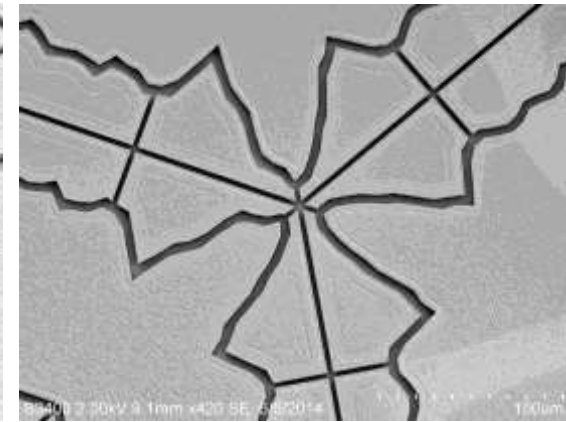
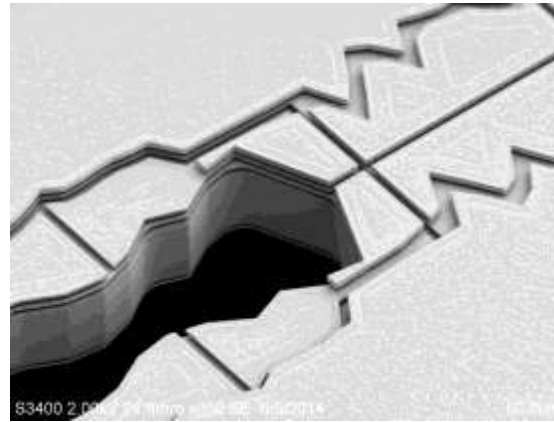
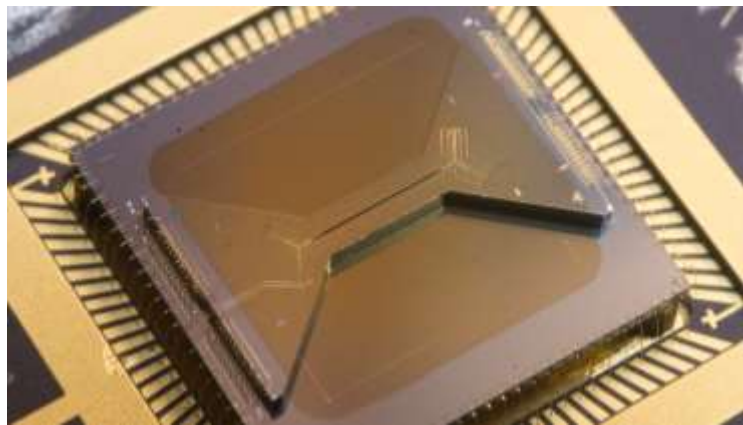


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## *High-fidelity quantum and classical control in microfabricated surface ion traps*

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## Quantum Information

### Quantum chemistry

- Calculation of molecular potentials
- Nitrogen and Oxygen fixation, development of catalytic converters

### Medicine

- Structure-based drug development

### Quantum computing

- Number factorization (Shor's algorithm)
- Search in unstructured data, searching for solutions to hard problems (Grover's search algorithm)

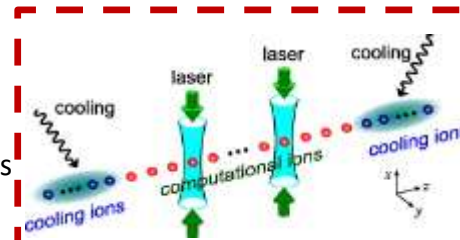
### Quantum simulation

- Simulating many-body systems
- Already for about 20 qubits not possible to simulate classically.

### Quantum Communication

- Securing a quantum channel

## Qubit Implementations



### Trapped Ions

- Blatt and Wineland "Entangled States of Trapped Atomic Ions." *Nature* 453, 1008–15 (2008).
- Monroe and Kim. "Scaling the Ion Trap Quantum Processor." *Science* 339, 1169 (2013)

### Neutral Atoms

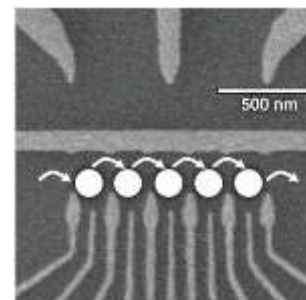
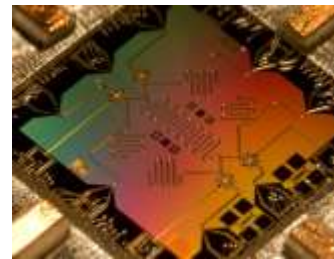
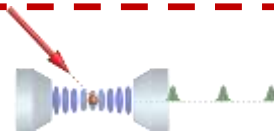
- Rydberg states
- Atoms in cavities

### Superconducting Josephson junctions

- Devoret and Schoelkopf. "Superconducting Circuits for Quantum Information: An Outlook." *Science* 339, 1169 (2013).

### Quantum dots

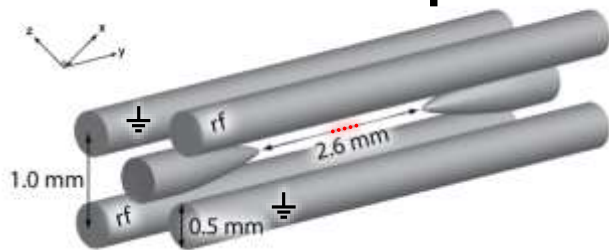
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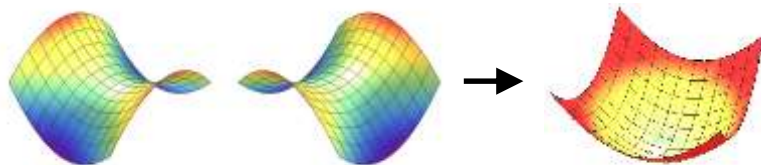
# Brief Overview of Ion Trapping

**Earnshaw's Theorem:** *Static electric fields can't create a stable confining potential for charged particles*

## r.f. Paul Trap



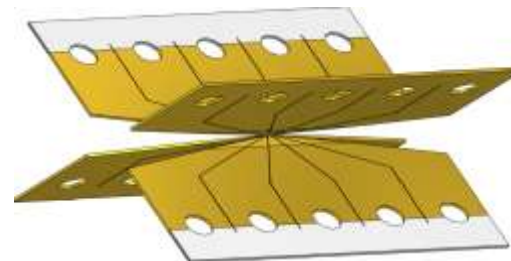
## r.f. pseudopotential



- Time-averaged potential is close to harmonic at the saddle point
- Off the saddle point, ions experience micromotion
- Works well for linear chains of ions
- Doesn't support fine control of ion position or confining potential

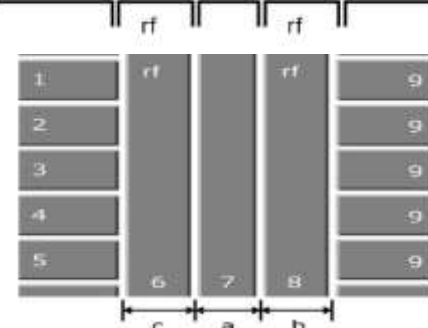
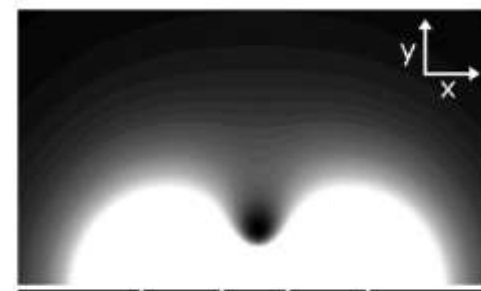
## Segmented Paul Trap

- Better control over confining potential
- Difficult to construct
- Doesn't scale well



## Microfabricated Surface Trap

- Consistent, well-defined electrode layout
- Microfabrication supports a lot of exotic electrode geometries
- Excellent control over potential
- Very scalable



# Surface Ion Traps

## Challenges

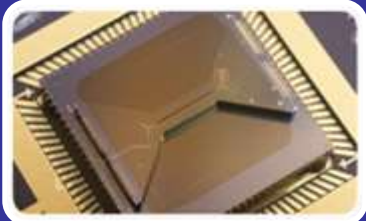
- Proximity of ions to the trap increases heating rates
- Ions are more sensitive to small features such as dust
- Possible charging of trap due to scattered laser light

## Our Goal

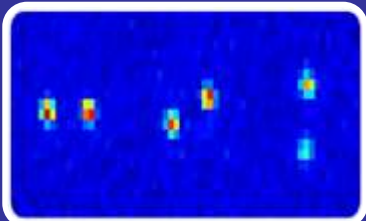
**Demonstrate that microfabricated surface traps can be used for high-fidelity quantum operations**

## Benefits

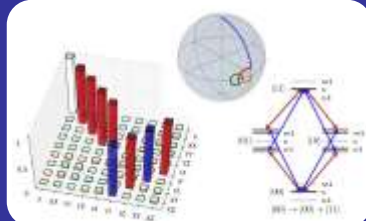
- **Microfabricated traps are scalable**
- They support complicated geometries
- The technology keeps improving



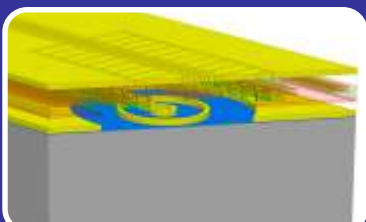
## Sandia's Surface Ion Traps



## Classical Control



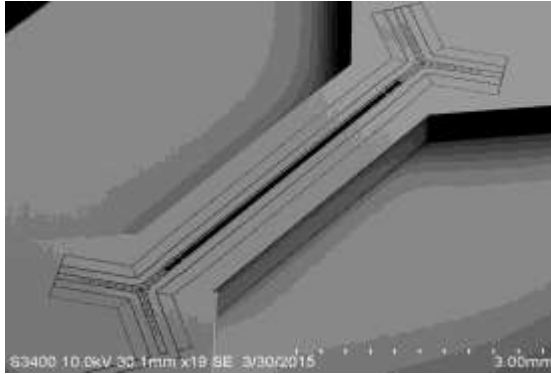
## Quantum Control



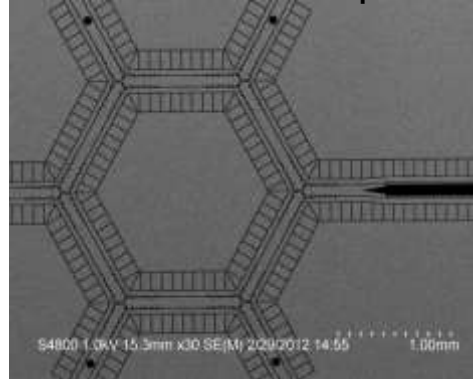
## Specialized Ion Traps

# Some of Sandia's Traps

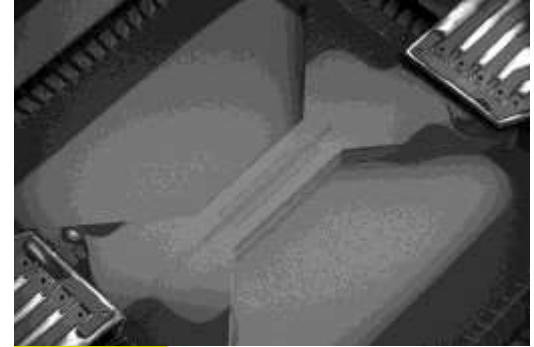
High Optical Access (HOA) trap



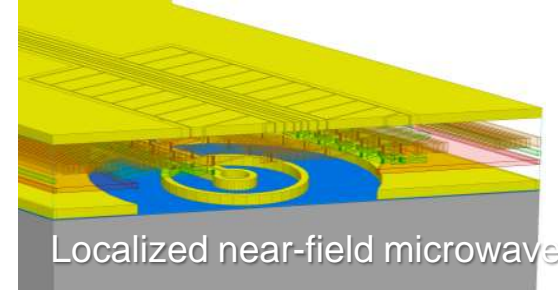
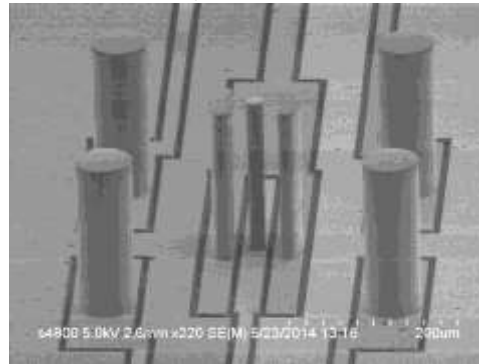
Circulator trap



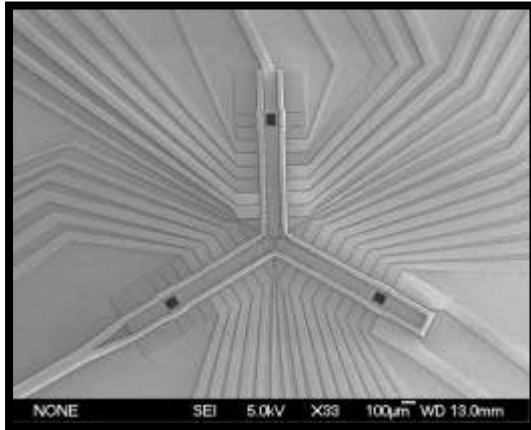
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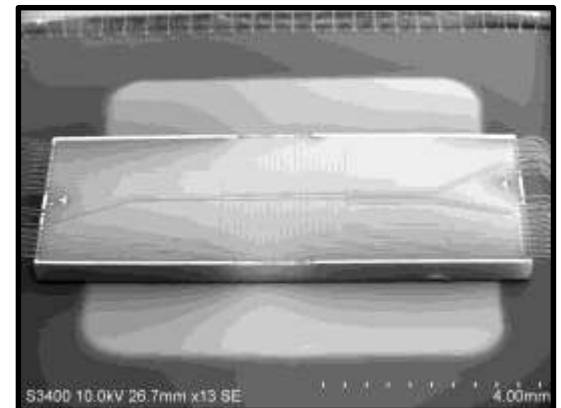
Stylus trap



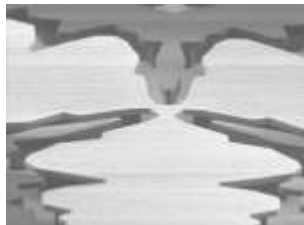
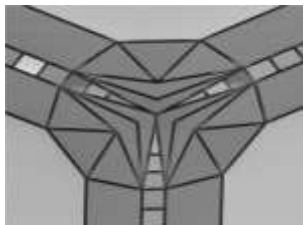
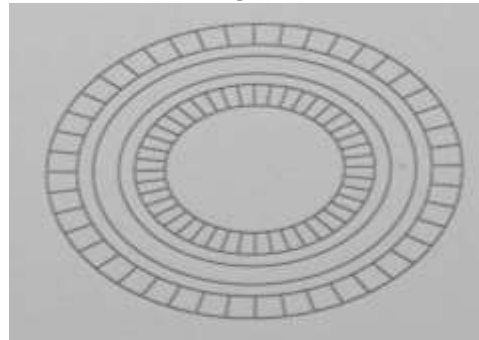
Y-junction traps



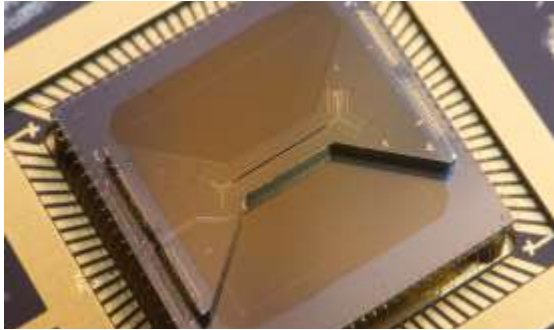
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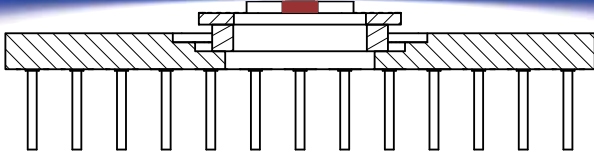
Ring trap



# High Optical Access (HOA)



**70  $\mu\text{m}$  ion height**

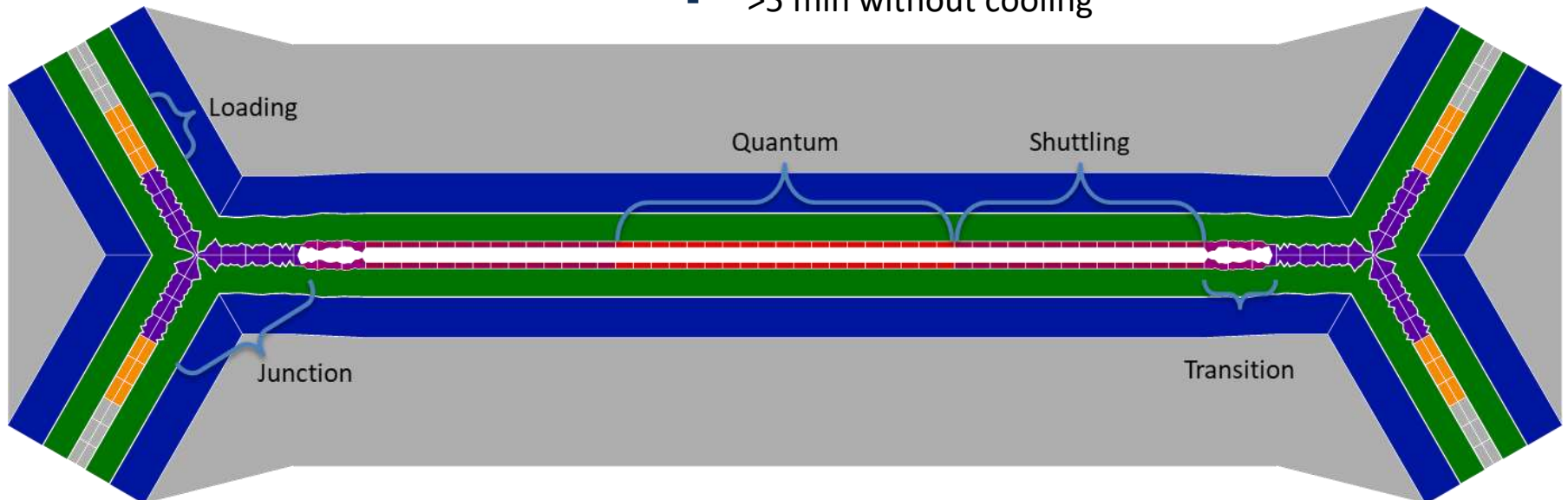


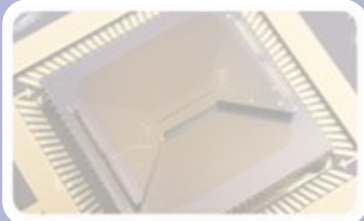
## Optical access

- Excellent optical access rivaling 3D  
NA 0.25 vertical, NA 0.12 lateral

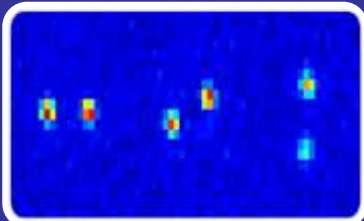
## Trap strength (Typical $\text{Yb}^+$ )

- Radial trap frequency 2 - 5 MHz
- RF frequency 50 MHz
- Stable for long ion chains
- Low heating rates (30 q/s parallel to surface, 125 q/s perpendicular)
- >100 h observed (while running measurements)
- >5 min without cooling

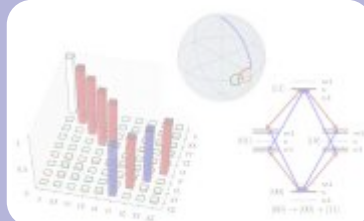




## Sandia's High-Optical-Access Trap



## Classical Control



## Quantum Control



## Specialized Ion Traps

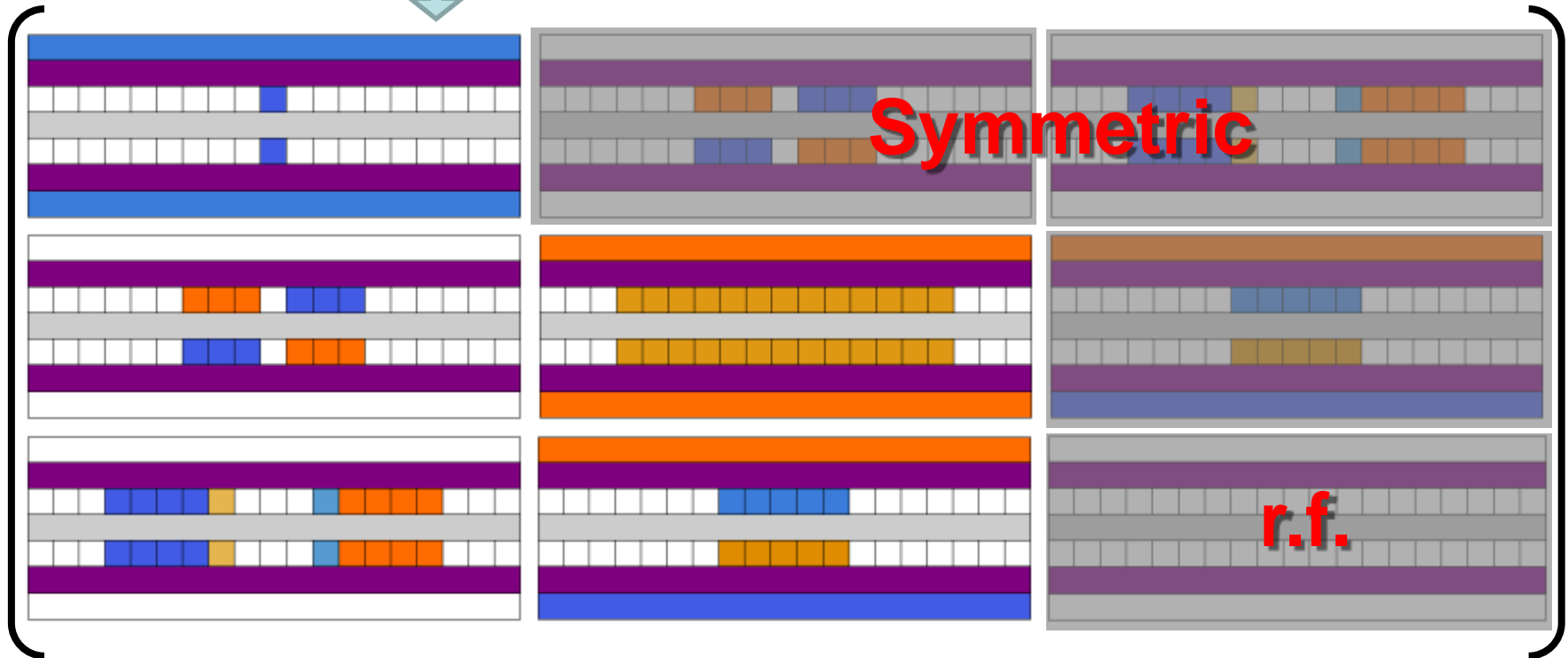


# Control of Confining Potential

$$\mathcal{H} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x \partial x} & \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x \partial y} & \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x \partial z} \\ \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y \partial x} & \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y \partial y} & \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y \partial z} \\ \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z \partial x} & \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z \partial y} & \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z \partial z} \end{pmatrix}$$

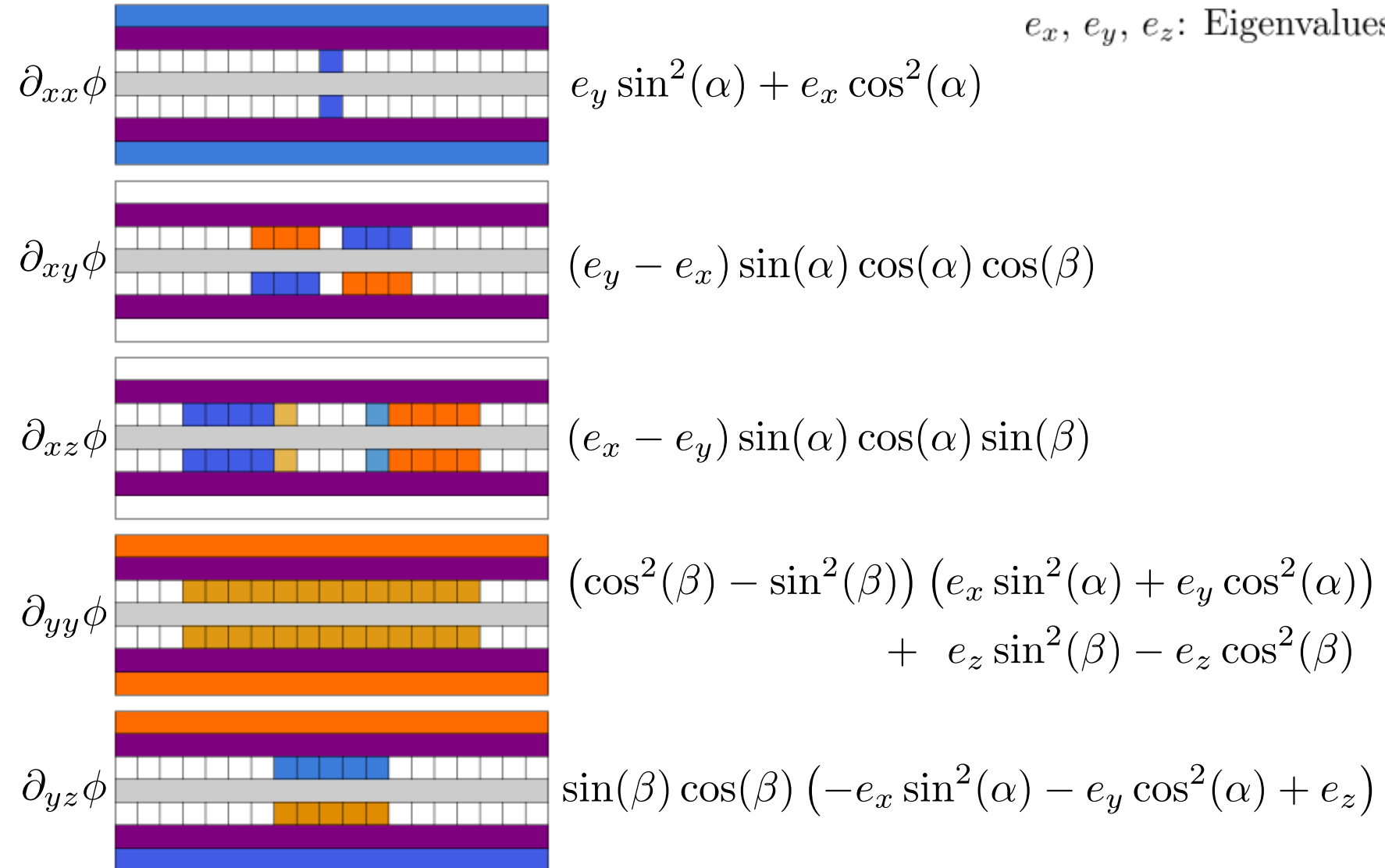


- Symmetric curvature tensor
- 6 degrees of freedom
- Determines trap frequencies and principal axes rotations
- Traceless for static fields
- Trace is generated by rf pseudopotential



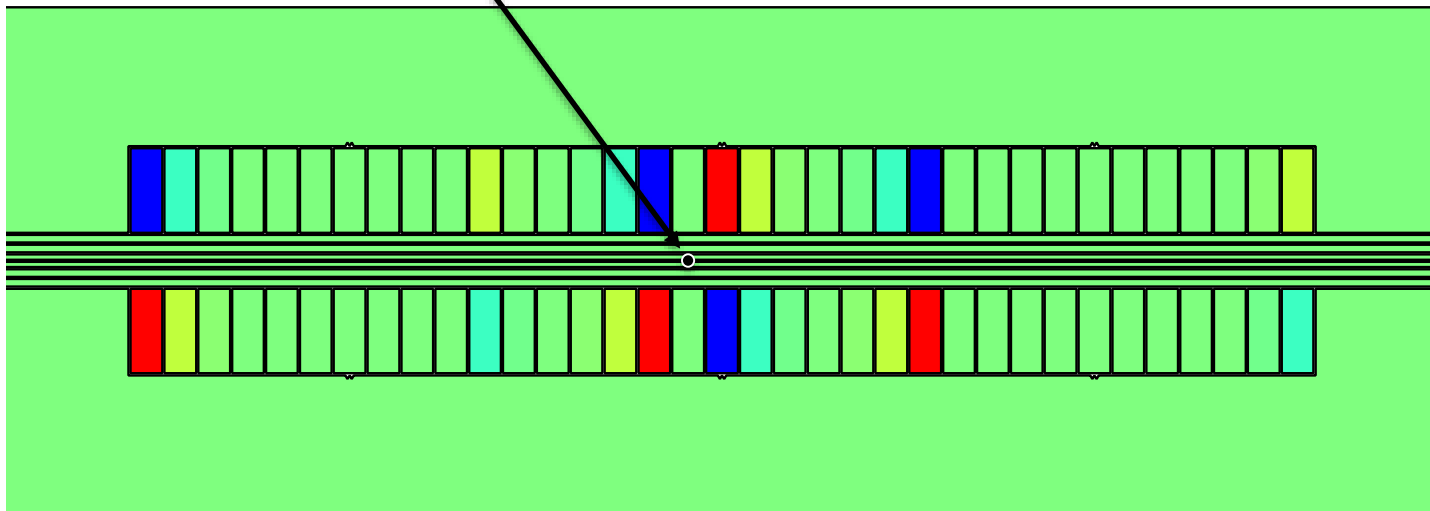
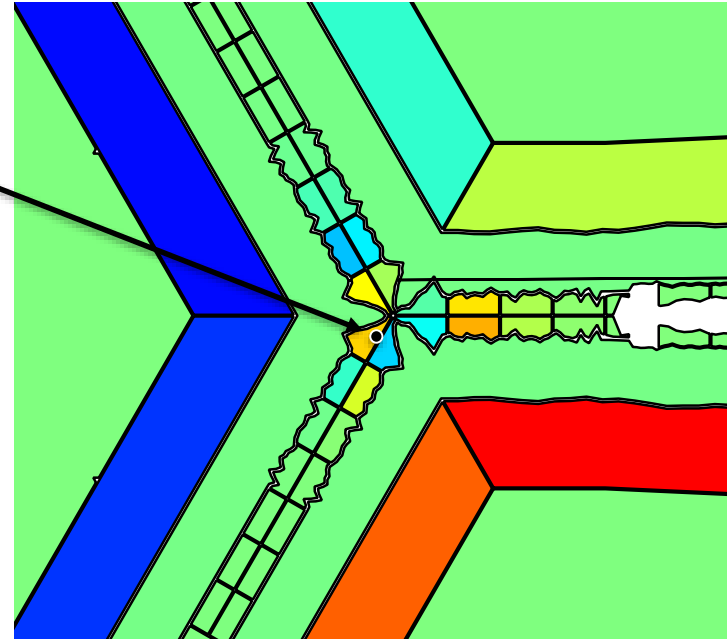
# Parametric Rotation Amplitudes

$e_x, e_y, e_z$ : Eigenvalues

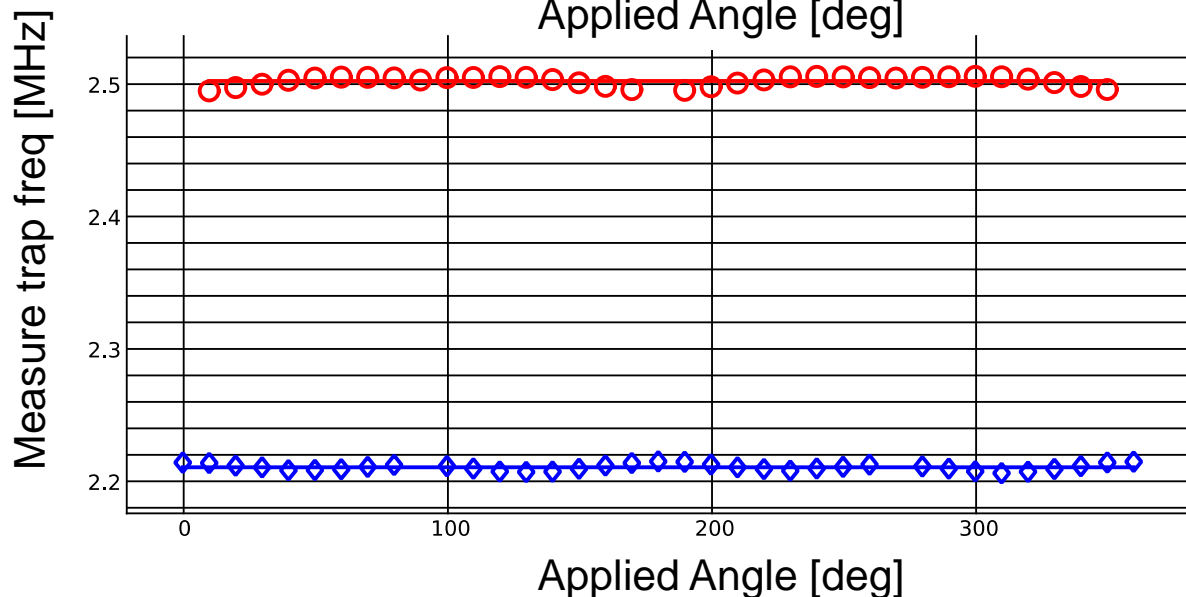
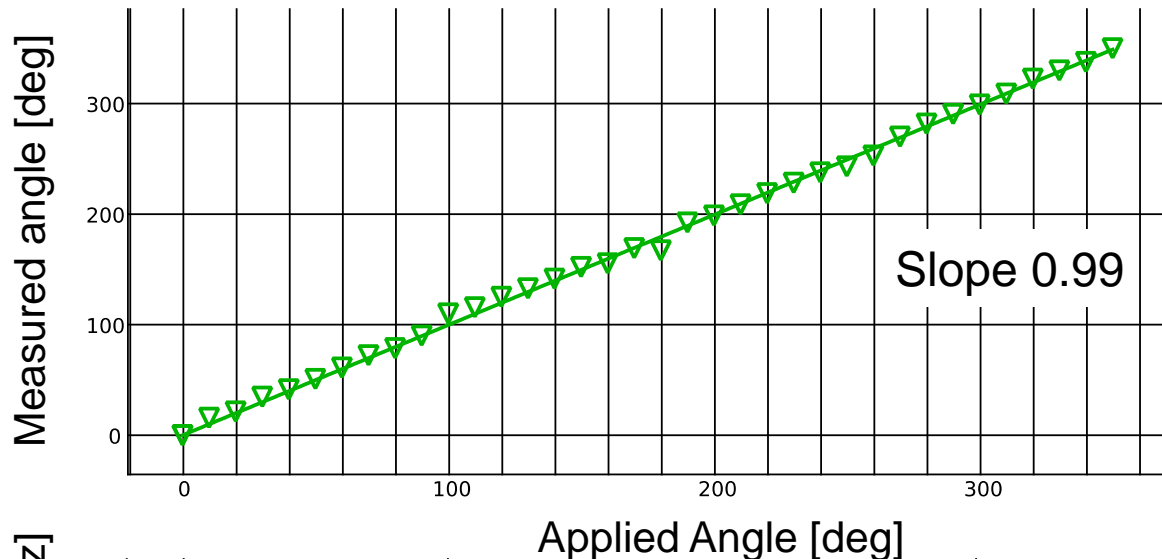


# Application To Complicated Electrode Geometries

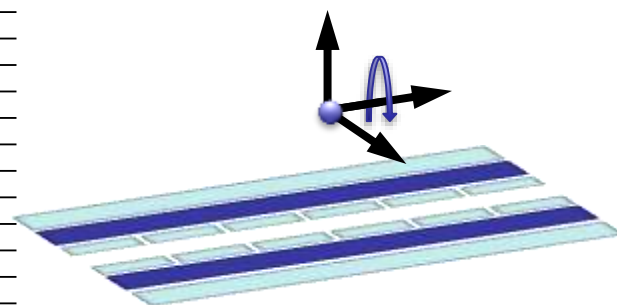
- YZ basis (rotation of the radial axes) near the junction on the HOA 2.1
- XY basis (rotation in the plane of the trap) on the microwave trap with tied electrodes



# Principal Axis Rotation



- Do we understand the trapping fields?
- Principal axes rotation realized as in simulation
- No change in trap frequencies



The simulations accurately describe the fields and curvatures generated by the trap

Controlled rotation



Combined rotation and translation



Separation and merging



Long Chains

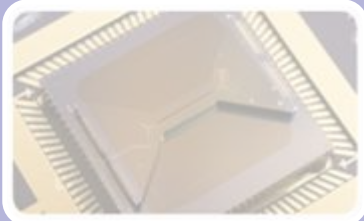


Compression of chains

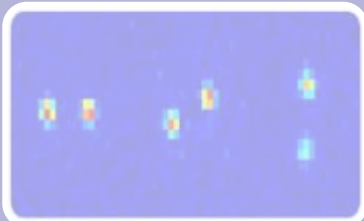


3D Crystal Structures

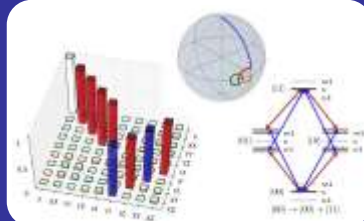




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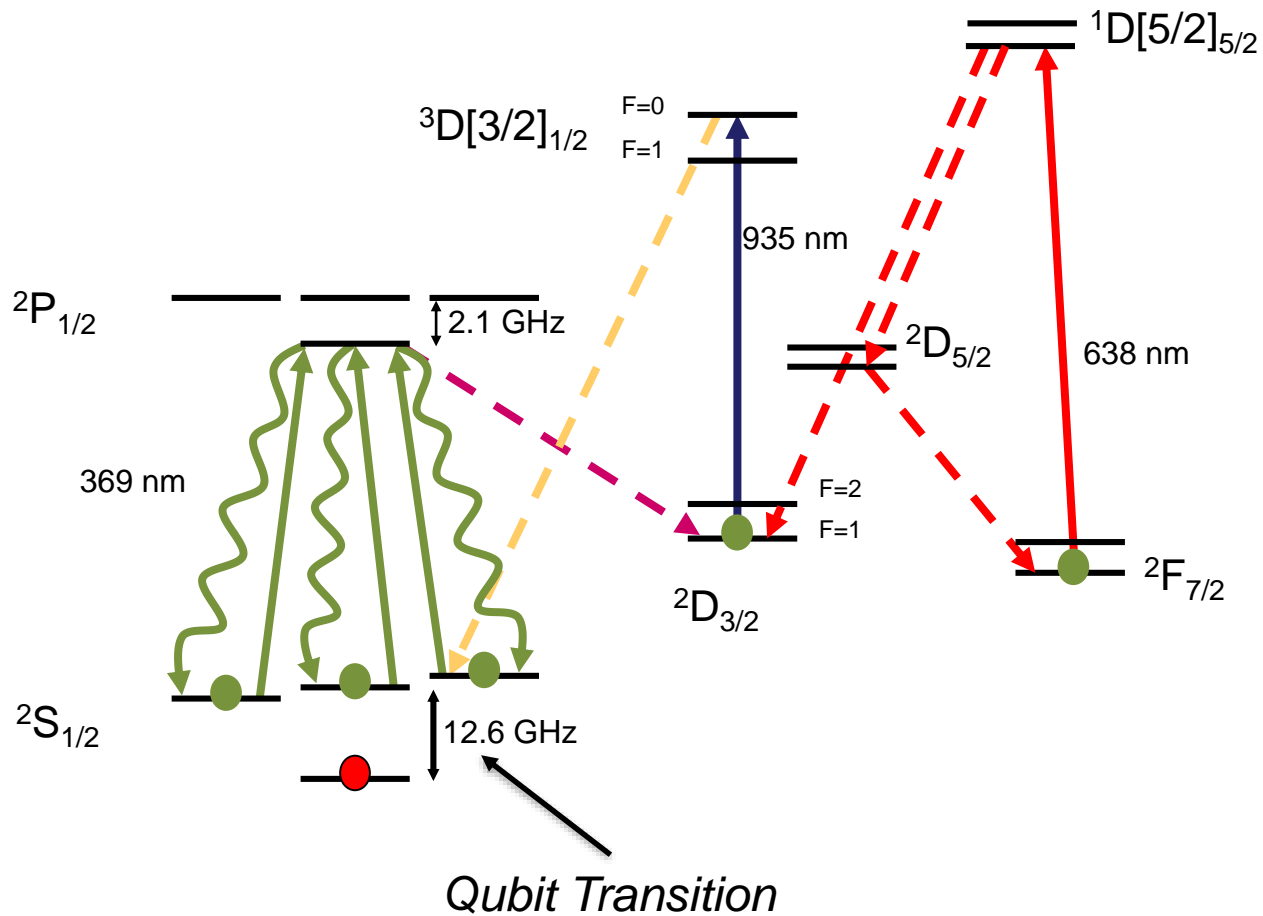
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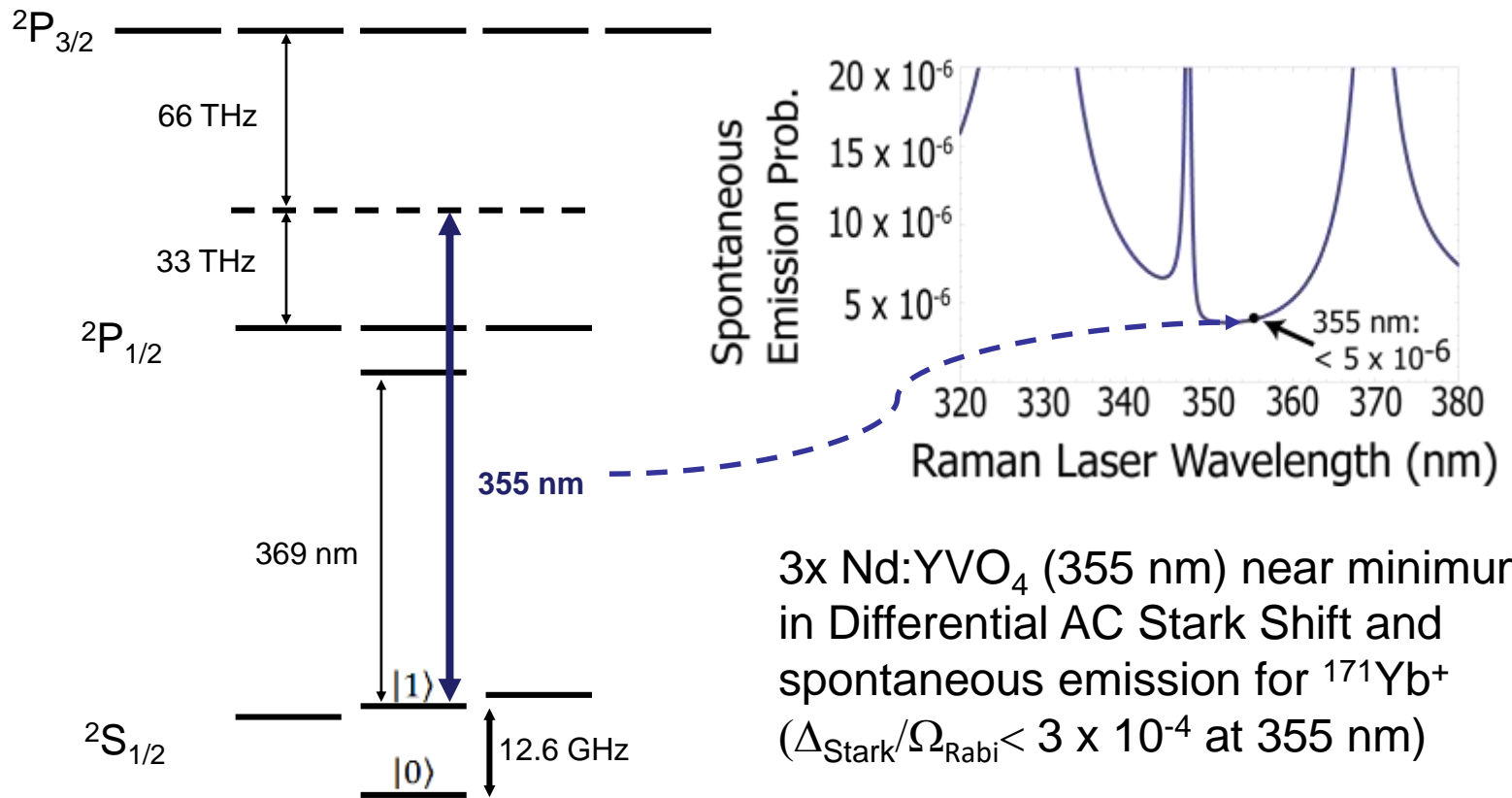
## Specialized Ion Traps

Good clock-state qubit

Coherence time ( $T_2^*$ ) > 3 s



# The $^{171}\text{Yb}^+$ Qubit

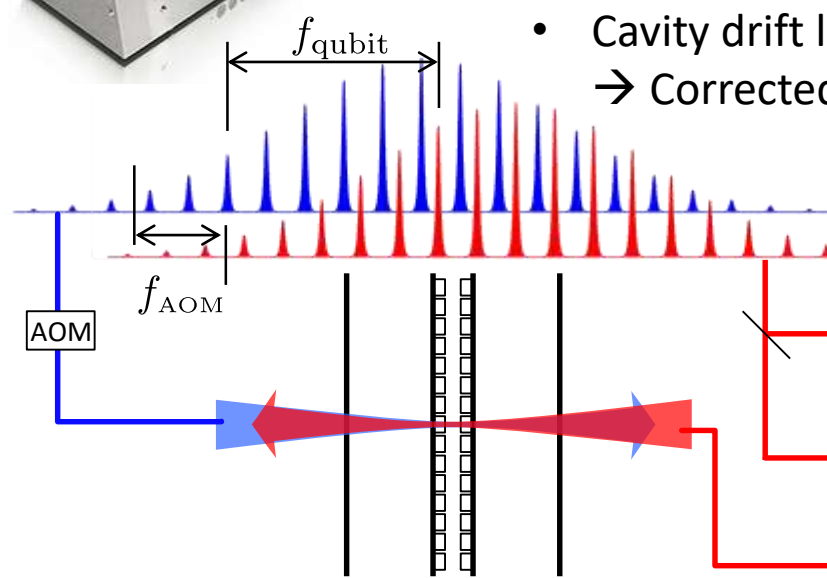
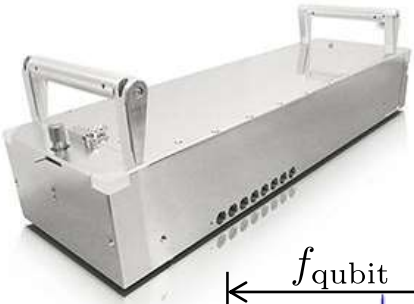
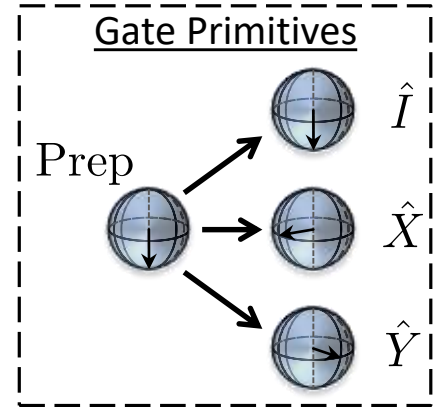


3x Nd:YVO<sub>4</sub> (355 nm) near minimum in Differential AC Stark Shift and spontaneous emission for  $^{171}\text{Yb}^+$  ( $\Delta_{\text{Stark}}/\Omega_{\text{Rabi}} < 3 \times 10^{-4}$  at 355 nm)

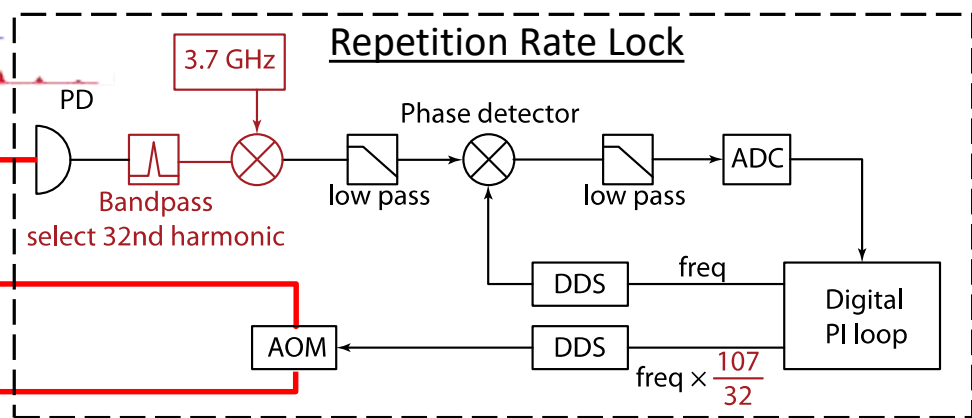


# Single-Qubit Gates

- Ions addressed via Raman transitions using a 355 nm frequency comb
- Coherent Paladin pulsed laser
  - Internal cavity is not stabilized!
  - Cavity drift leads to comb “breathing”  
→ Corrected with repetition rate lock



**Beam Configurations**



**Motional Addressing**

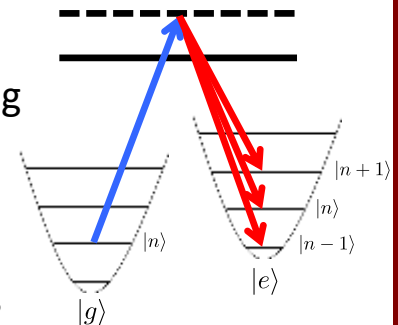
Co-propagating

- Immune to Doppler shifts
- Not affected by timing errors and pulse overlap
- Phase insensitive

Counter-propagating

- Higher overall beam intensity at ion decreases gate times
- Need for motional addressing
- Phase sensitive

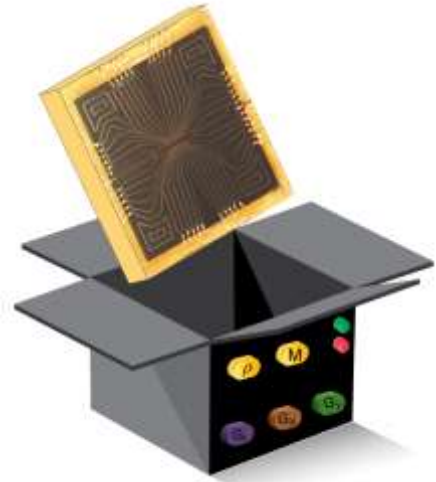
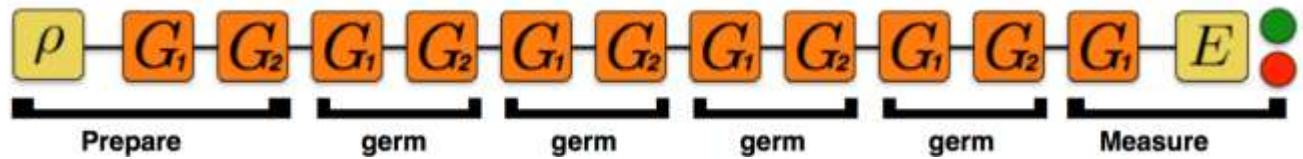
Necessary for sideband cooling to motional ground states, thermometry, two-qubit gates



# Gate Set Tomography

Developed at Sandia  
www.pygsti.info

- No calibration required
- Efficiently measures performance characterizing fault-tolerance
- Detailed debug information
- Detects non-Markovian noise (diamond norm)
- Uses structured sequences to amplify all possible errors



**Fiducials:** Used for preparing and measuring on all 6 poles of the Bloch sphere

**Germ:** Carefully chosen set of gate sequences applied repeatedly

### Germs

$G_x$

$G_y$

$G_i$

$G_x \cdot G_y$

$G_x \cdot G_y \cdot G_i$

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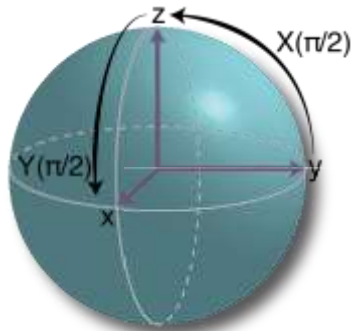
$G_y \cdot G_y \cdot G_y$

Desired “target” gates:

$G_i$  Idle (Identity)

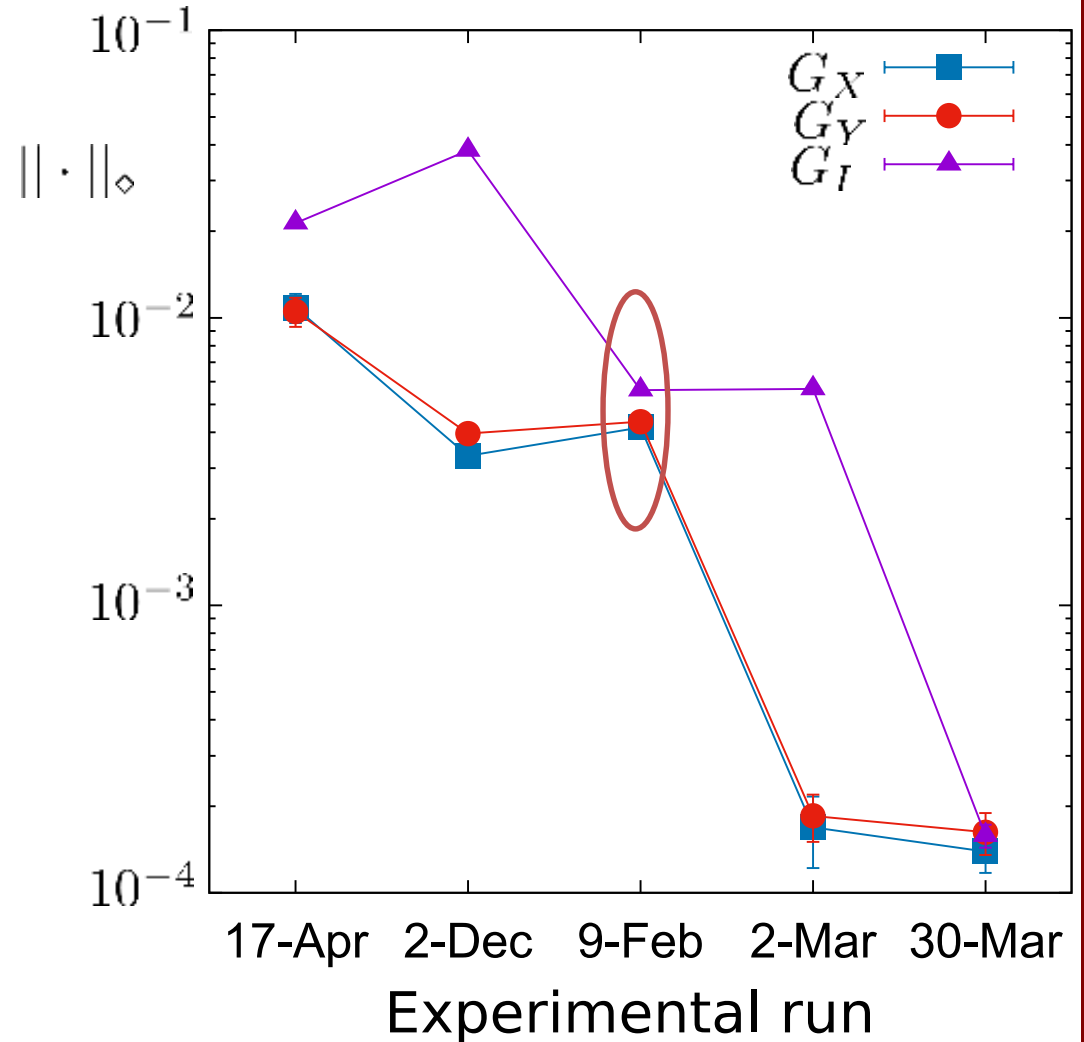
$G_x$   $\pi/2$  rotation about  $x$ -axis

$G_y$   $\pi/2$  rotation about  $y$ -axis



# GST: debugging microwave gates

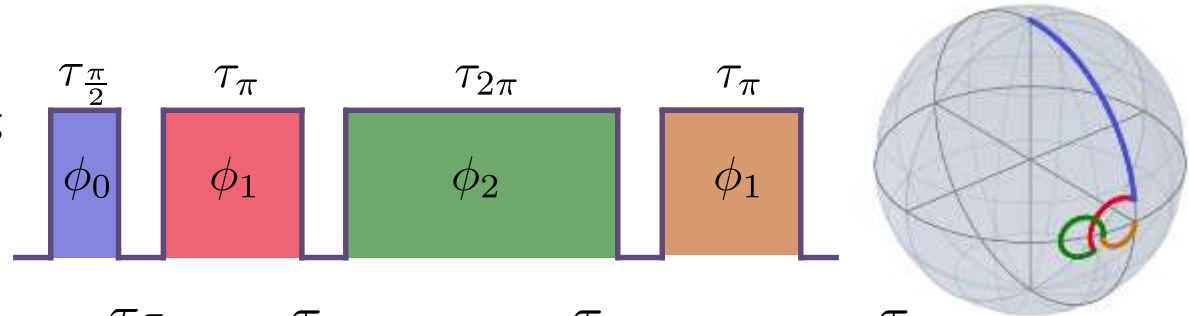
Gate	Rotn. axis	Angle
$G_I$	0.5252 -0.009 0.8506 -0.0244	$0.001699\pi$
$G_X$	$-3 \times 10^{-6}$ -1 $-3 \times 10^{-5}$ -0.009	$0.501308\pi$
$G_Y$	-0.2474 0.0001 0.9689 -0.0001	$0.501366\pi$



# Error Mitigation

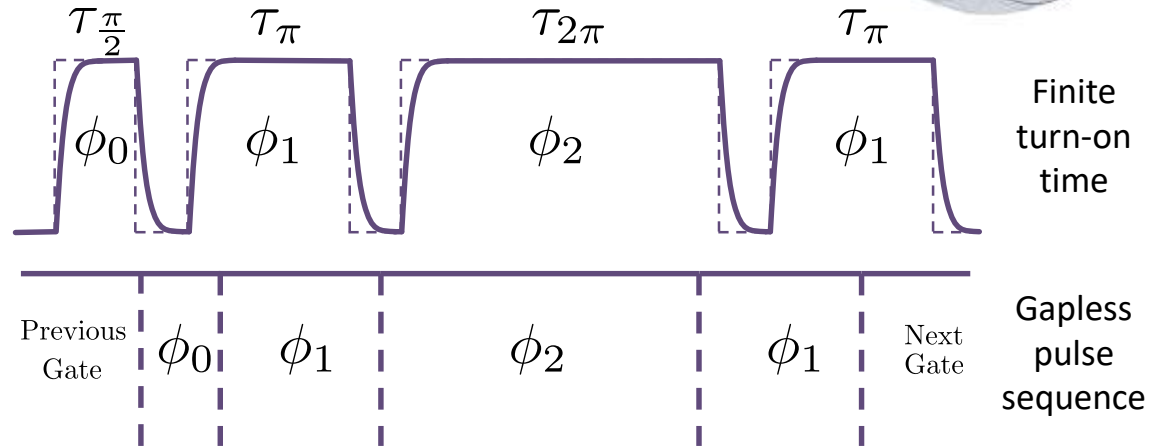
## Compensated Pulses

- BB1-type dynamical-decoupling pulses used
- Corrects pulse-length errors



## “Gapless” Pulses

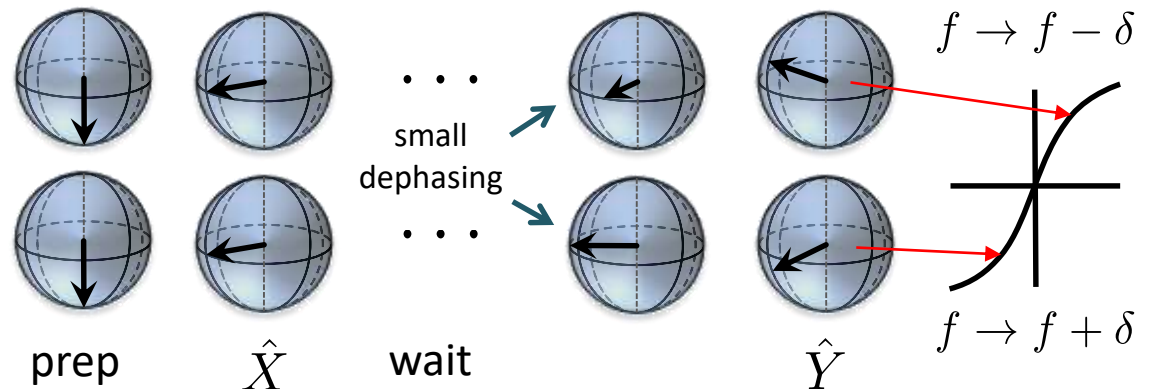
- Phase changed discontinuously on DDS
- Avoids finite turn-on time effects
- Removes errors caused by asynchronous pulse arrival
- Allows for continuous power stabilization



## Drift Control

(Drive Frequency)

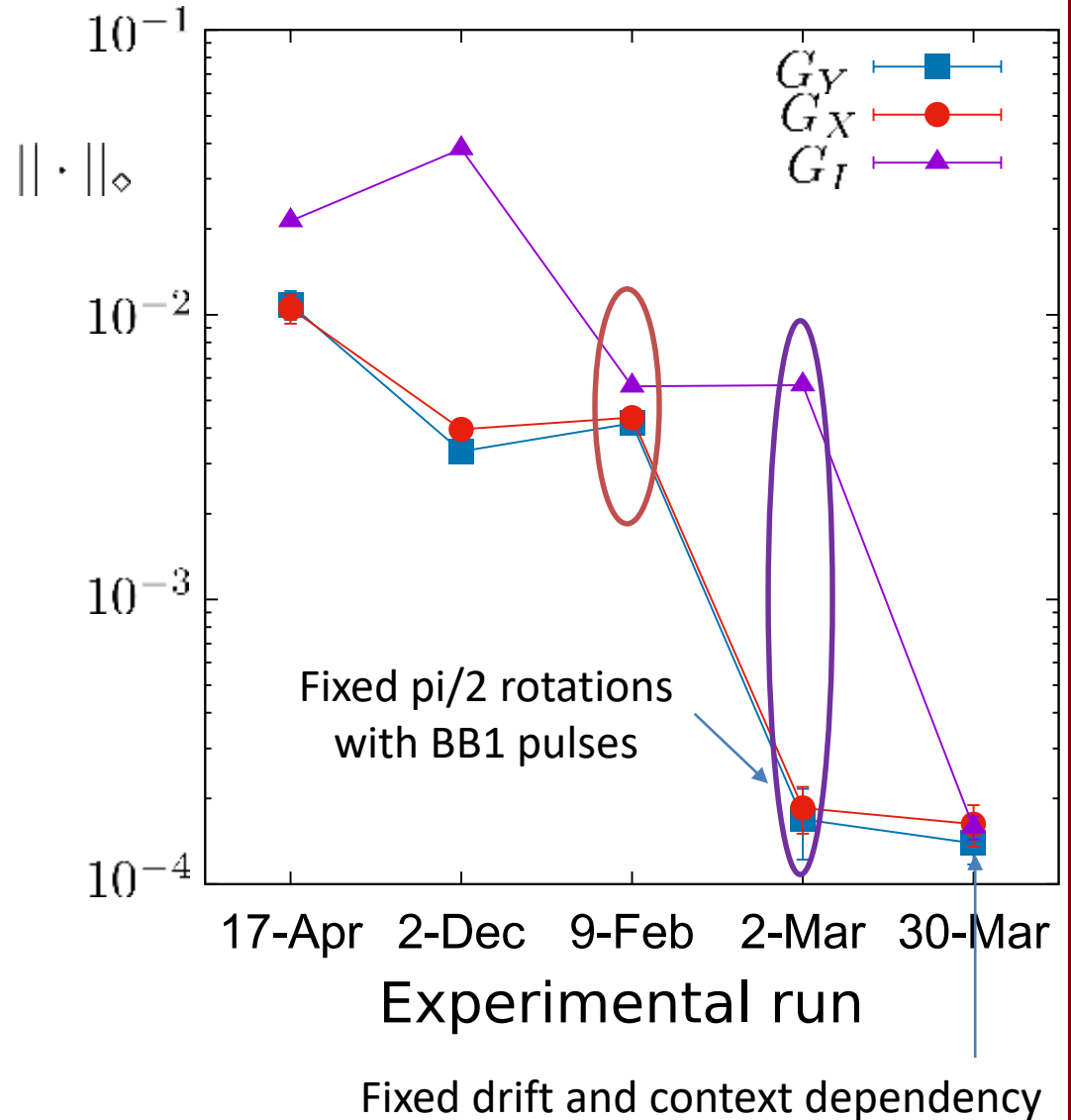
- Single-shot calibrations increase or decrease a control parameter by a negligible value
- Small corrections either average out or slowly accumulate



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	0.9689	
	-0.0001	

Gate	Rotn. axis	Angle
$G_I$	-0.0035	$0.001769\pi$
	0.014	
	-0.9999	
	0.0006	
$G_X$	$-3 \times 10^{-5}$	$0.500007\pi$
	-1	
	$1 \times 10^{-4}$	
	0.0006	
$G_Y$	0.1104	$0.50001\pi$
	$4 \times 10^{-5}$	
	0.9939	
	0.0005	



# Single-Qubit GST Results

- Process infidelity  $\approx$  diamond norm
  - This indicates that we have gotten rid of all systematic errors

**Below the threshold for fault-tolerant error correction!**

See P. Aliferis and A. W. Cross, Phys. Rev. Lett. 98, 220502 (2007)

- Co-propagating gates have infidelity comparable to microwave gates, but diamond norm indicates some residual control errors
- Counter-propagating gates are noticeably worse, but are necessary for two-qubit gates
- Lower fidelity presumably results from anomalous heating and optical phase sensitivity

## Microwave Gates

Gate	Process Infidelity	1/2 $\diamond$ -Norm
$G_I$	$6.9(6) \times 10^{-5}$	$7.9(7) \times 10^{-5}$
$G_X$	$6.1(7) \times 10^{-5}$	$7.0(15) \times 10^{-5}$
$G_Y$	$7.2(7) \times 10^{-5}$	$8.1(15) \times 10^{-5}$

## Laser Gates

### *co-propagating*

Gate	Process Infidelity	1/2 $\diamond$ -Norm
$G_I$	$1.17(7) \times 10^{-4}$	$5.3(2) \times 10^{-4}$
$G_X$	$5.0(7) \times 10^{-5}$	$3(6) \times 10^{-4}$
$G_Y$	$6.9(6) \times 10^{-5}$	$4(9) \times 10^{-4}$

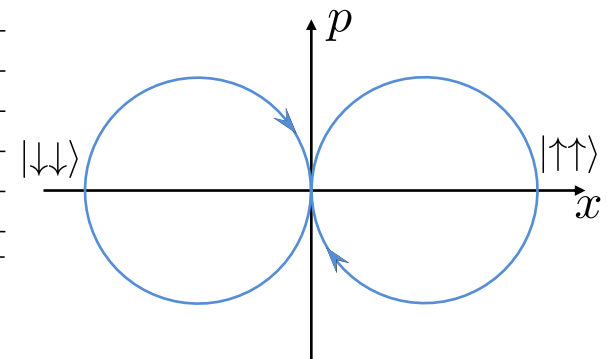
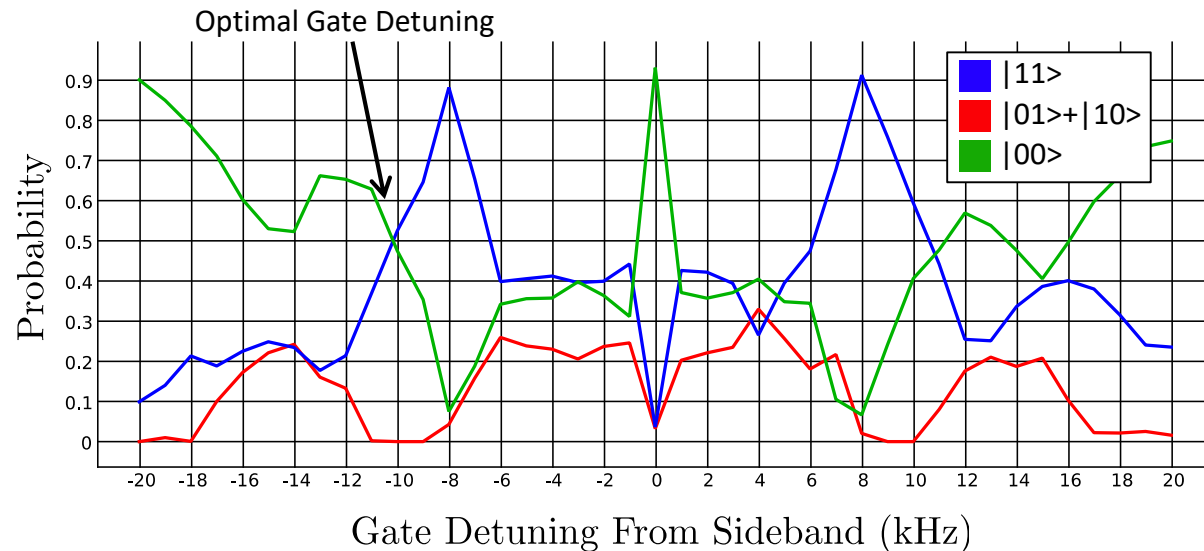
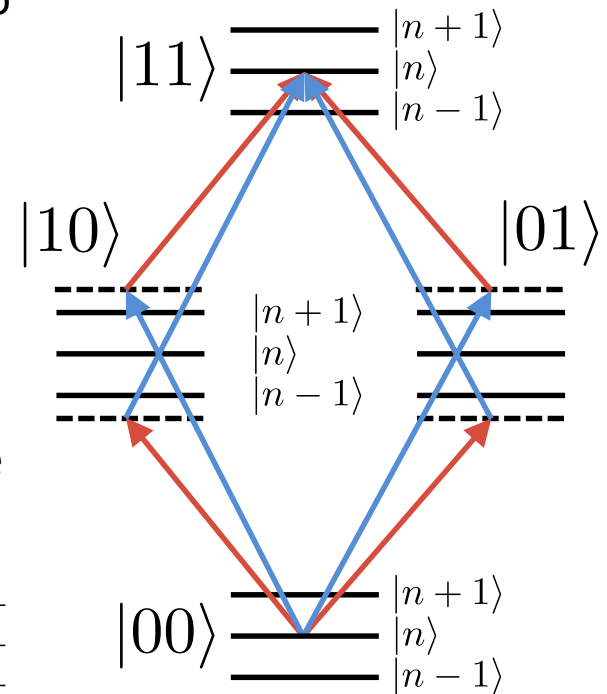
### *counter-propagating*

Gate	Process Infidelity	1/2 $\diamond$ -Norm
$G_I$	$11.1(6) \times 10^{-4}$	$22.8(1) \times 10^{-4}$
$G_X$	$4.0(4) \times 10^{-4}$	$13.2(6) \times 10^{-4}$
$G_Y$	$4.1(4) \times 10^{-4}$	$8.4(8) \times 10^{-4}$

# Two-Qubit Gate

- Bichromatic entangling “Mølmer-Sørensen” gate
- Gate time and detuning from motional sidebands is set so that population in motionally (de-)excited states is zero corresponding to a closed loop in phase space
- Does not require ground state cooling
- Requires a number of extra calibrations
  - Rabi frequencies of red/blue detuned transitions matched
  - Ions need to be evenly illuminated
  - Phase of beat note needs to be calibrated and stable

$$|00\rangle \rightarrow |00\rangle + |11\rangle$$

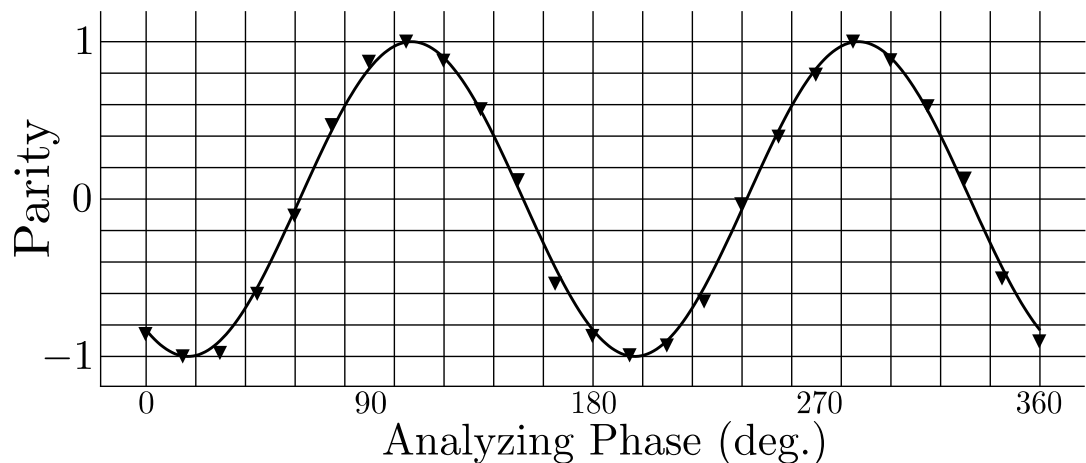
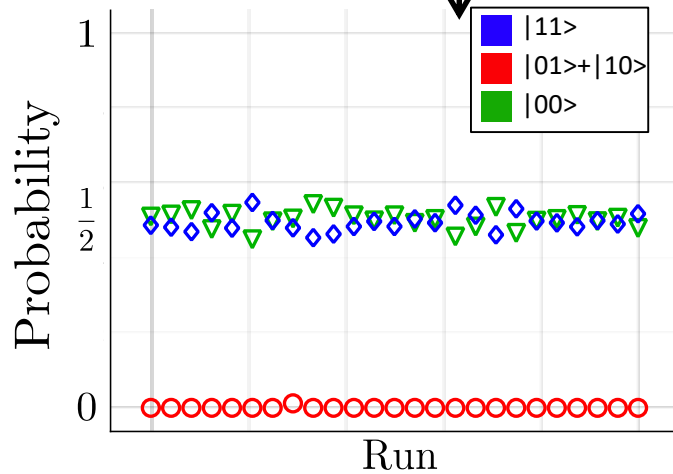


# Characterizing the Mølmer-Sørensen Gate

## Typical Approach: Entangled State Fidelity

- Entangled state fidelity determined by

$$\mathcal{F} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} (P(|00\rangle) + P(|11\rangle))}_{\text{Probability}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{4} c}_{\text{Parity}}$$



- Repeated application of gate
- Measure average population of entangled state
- Apply gate followed by analyzing pulse of varying phase
- Measure the resulting contrast



# Two-Qubit GST

## Typical Approach: Entangled State Fidelity

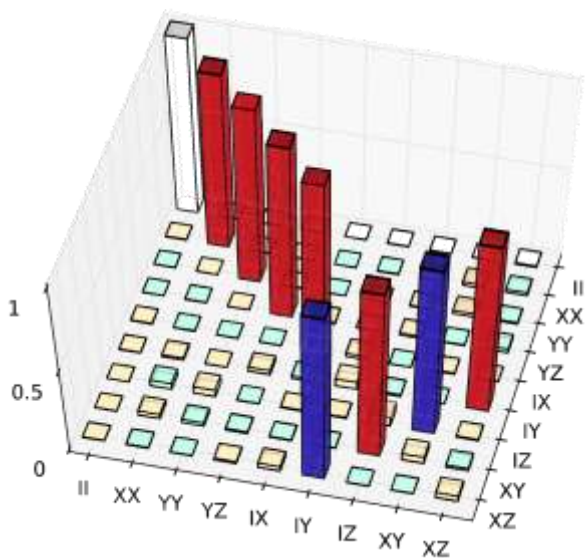
$$\mathcal{F} = \frac{1}{2} (P(|00\rangle) + P(|11\rangle)) + \frac{1}{4}c \approx 0.995$$

## Two-Qubit GST

- Provides a true *process* fidelity
- Requires an extremely stable gate to take long GST measurements without constant recalibration

- Currently limited to the symmetric subspace

Gate	Process infidelity	$\frac{1}{2}$ Diamond norm
$G_I$	$1.6 \times 10^{-3} \pm 1.6 \times 10^{-3}$	$28 \times 10^{-3} \pm 7 \times 10^{-3}$
$G_{XX}$	$0.4 \times 10^{-3} \pm 1.0 \times 10^{-3}$	$27 \times 10^{-3} \pm 5 \times 10^{-3}$
$G_{YY}$	$0.1 \times 10^{-3} \pm 0.9 \times 10^{-3}$	$26 \times 10^{-3} \pm 4 \times 10^{-3}$
$G_{MS}$	$4.2 \times 10^{-3} \pm 0.6 \times 10^{-3}$	$38 \times 10^{-3} \pm 5 \times 10^{-3}$

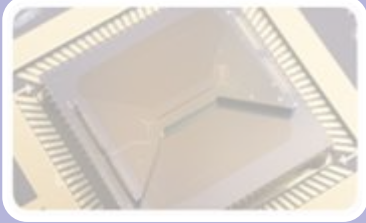


$$F_{MS} = 0.9958(6)$$

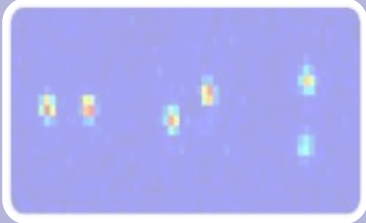
$$\frac{1}{2} \|G_{MS}\|_{\diamond} = 0.08(1)$$

95% confidence intervals

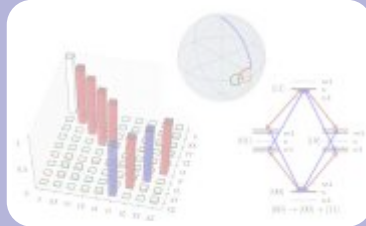
- Much more rigorous characterization
- Gate is stable for several hours



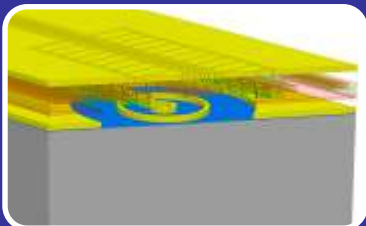
## Sandia's High-Optical-Access Trap



## Classical Control

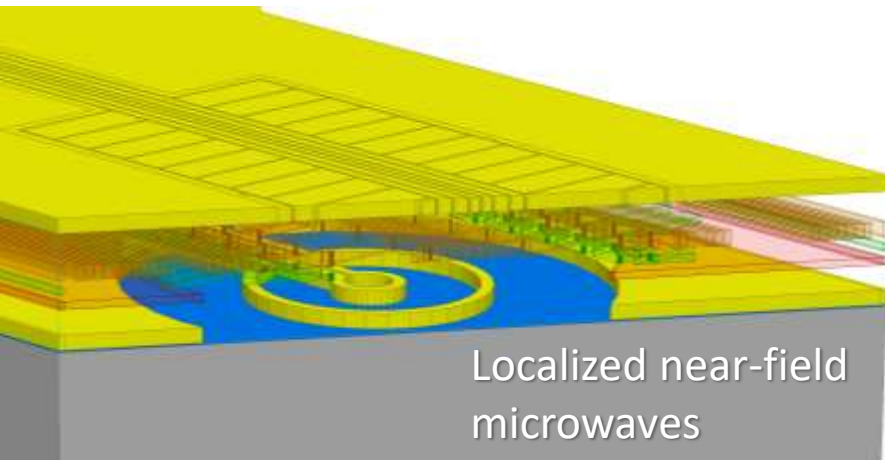


## Quantum Control



## Specialized Ion Traps

# *Microwave Surface Trap*

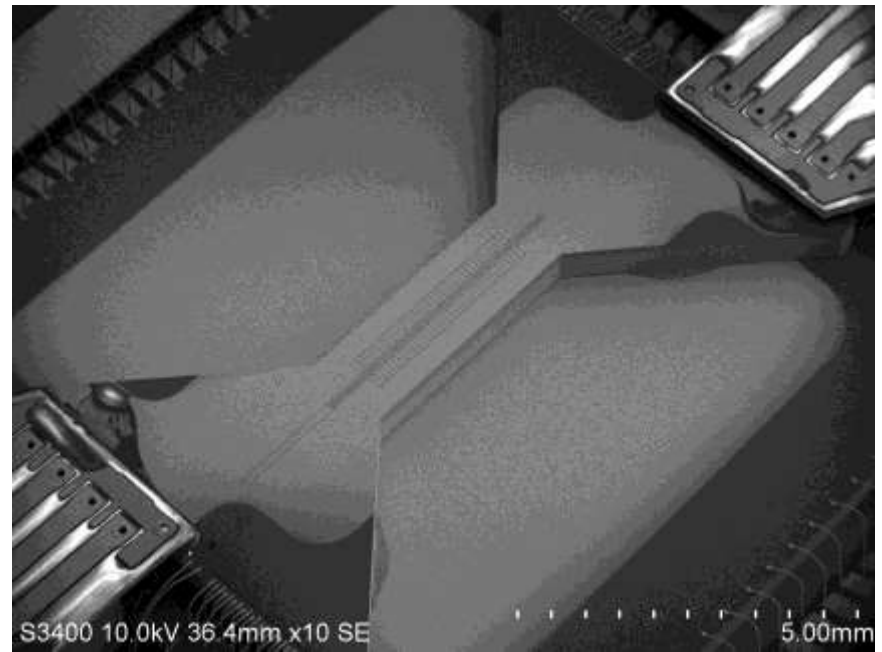
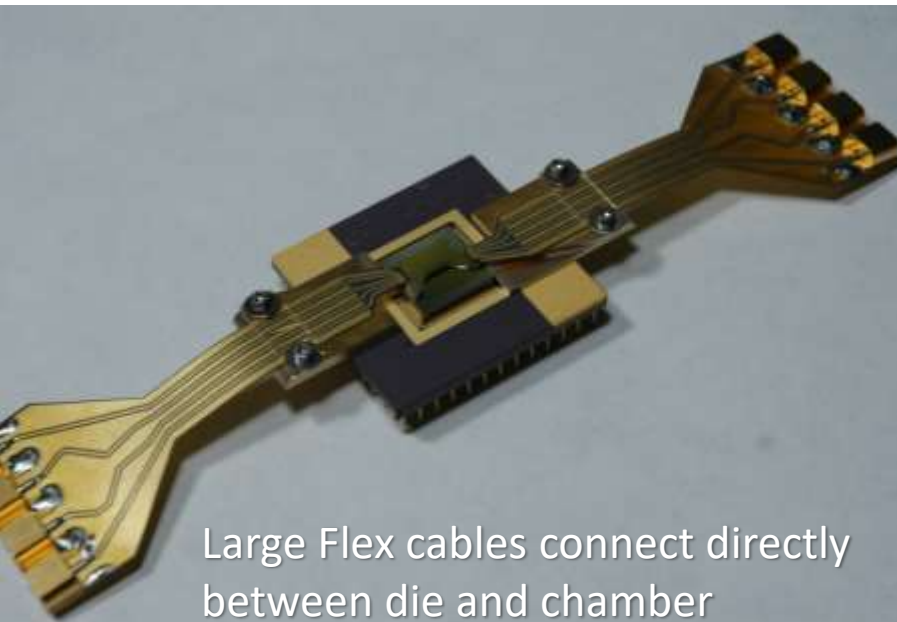


## Benefits:

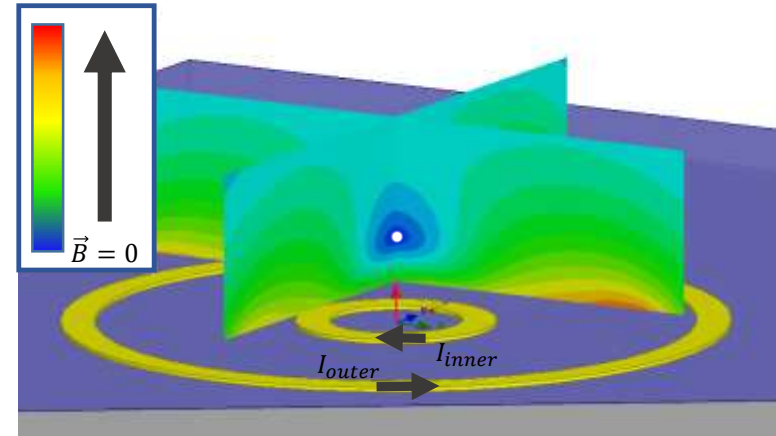
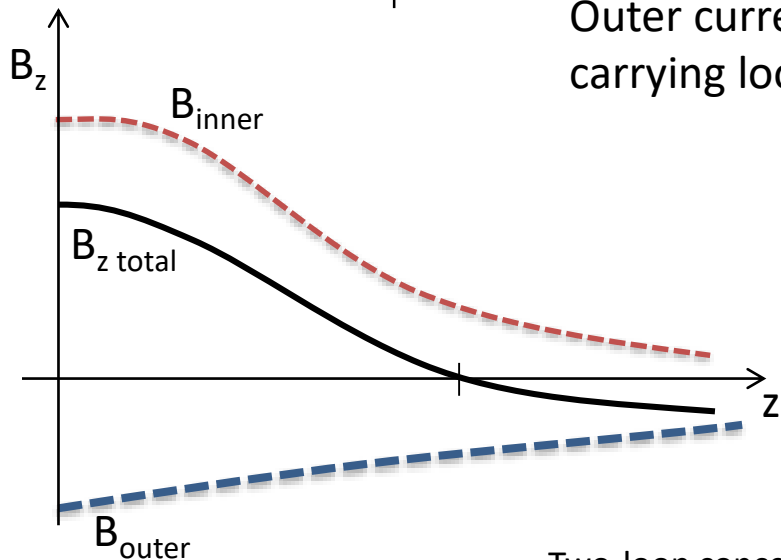
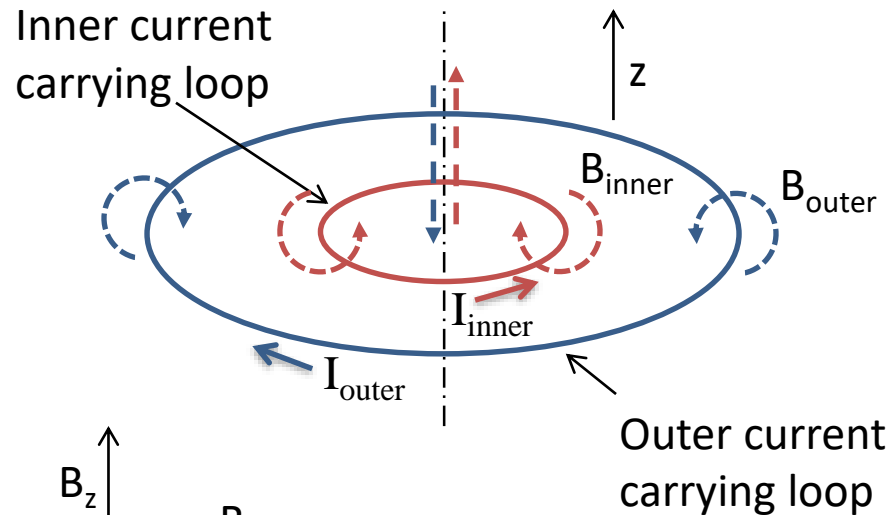
- Microwave radiation is easier to control and cheaper to implement than lasers
- Low power for Rabi oscillations
- Near field allows to generate microwave gradient fields

## Challenges:

- Microwave delivery
- Dissipation, heating, thermal management



### “Ideal” Two-Loop Design



- x- and y- fields cancel along z-axis
- Generates uniform  $B_z$  and  $dB_z/dz$  with  $B=0$
- Location of null determined by geometry and ratio of currents

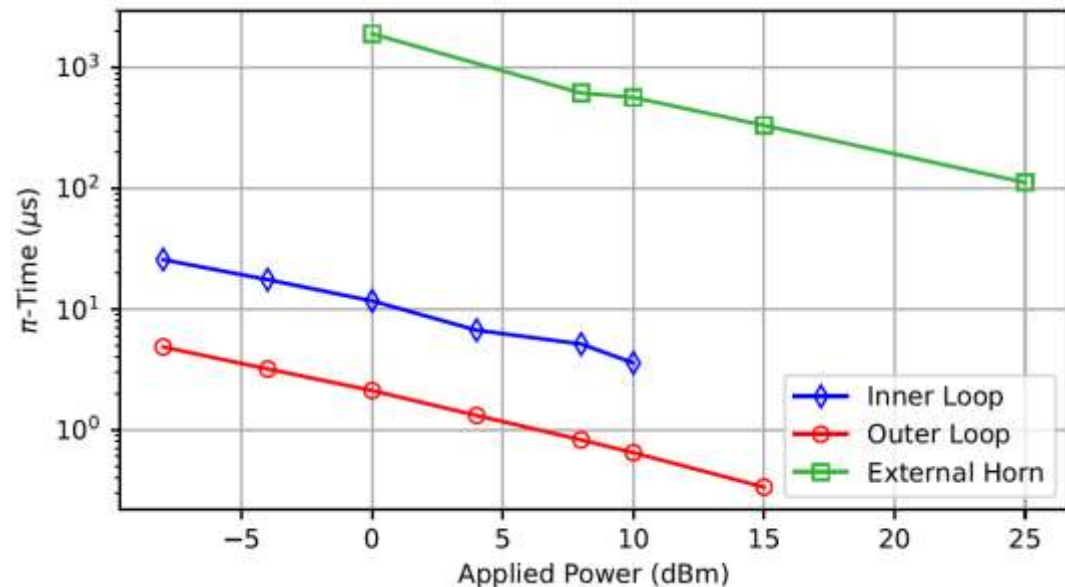
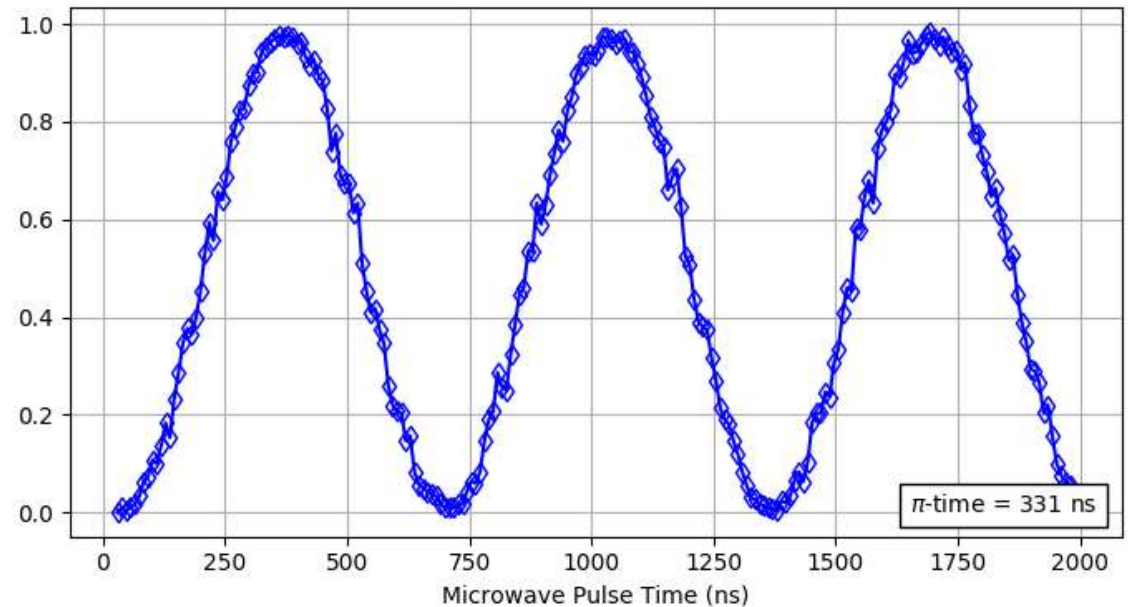
Two-loop concept developed at Sandia in 2012 (SAND2015-9513)

(C. Highstrete, S. M. Scott, J. D. Sterk, C. D. Nordquist, J. E. Stevens, C. P. Tigges, M. G. Blain)

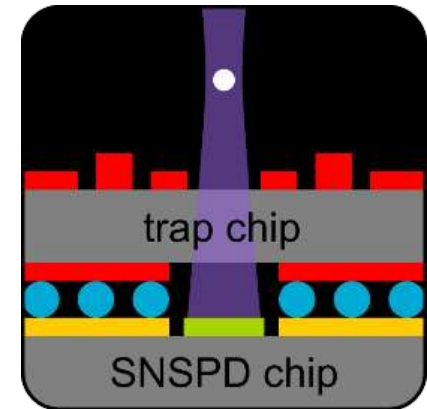
# Microwave trap

## Rabi oscillations

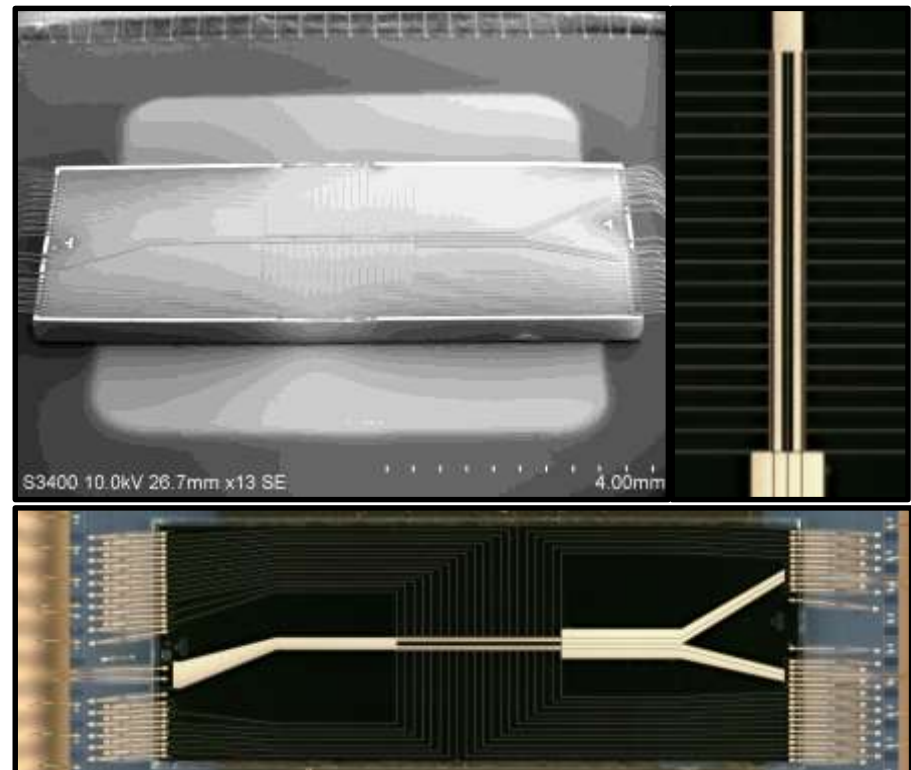
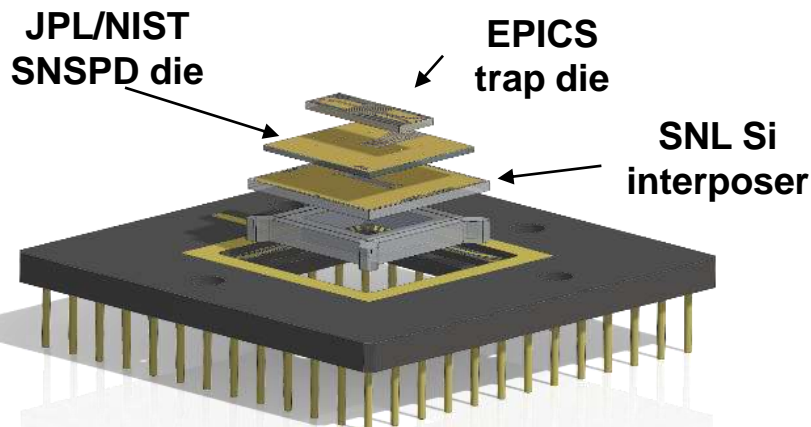
- Losses between chamber and device  $\approx 17\text{dB}$
- Realized fast Rabi flopping 330ns with 15dBm at chamber, -2dBm at device
- Access to range of relevant  $\pi$ -times
- Will characterize gates as function of  $\pi$ -times.



- Integrated Superconducting Nanowire Single-Photon Detector (SNSPD) detector and reflective backplane
  - Detector developed by JPL/NIST
- SNSPD provides higher photon detection (>80% vs <30%)
- Cavity-QED provides higher photon collection efficiency
- Strong coupling regime enables qubit measurement via fast cavity transmission
- Extra rf electrodes enable alignment of rf node with cavity modes



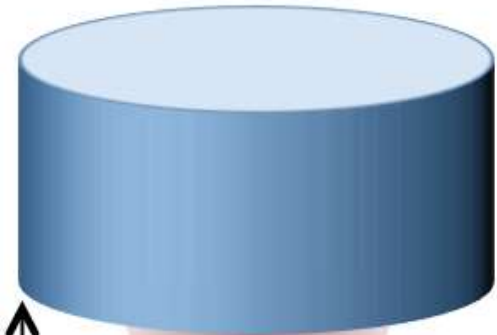
## Ion Trap Fabrication (Duke/SNL)



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Concave mirror

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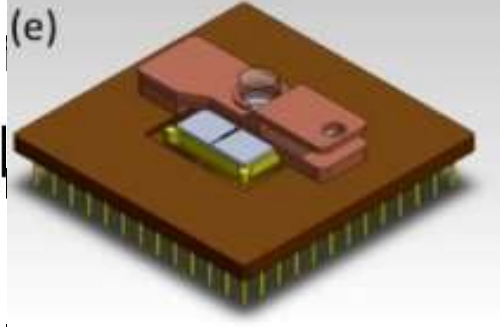


Cavity Mode

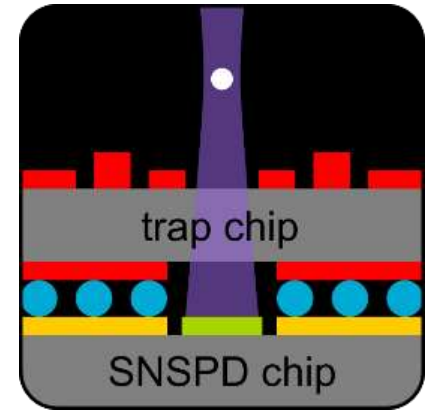
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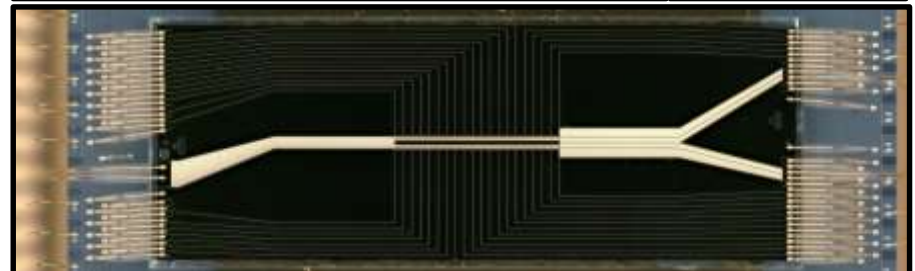
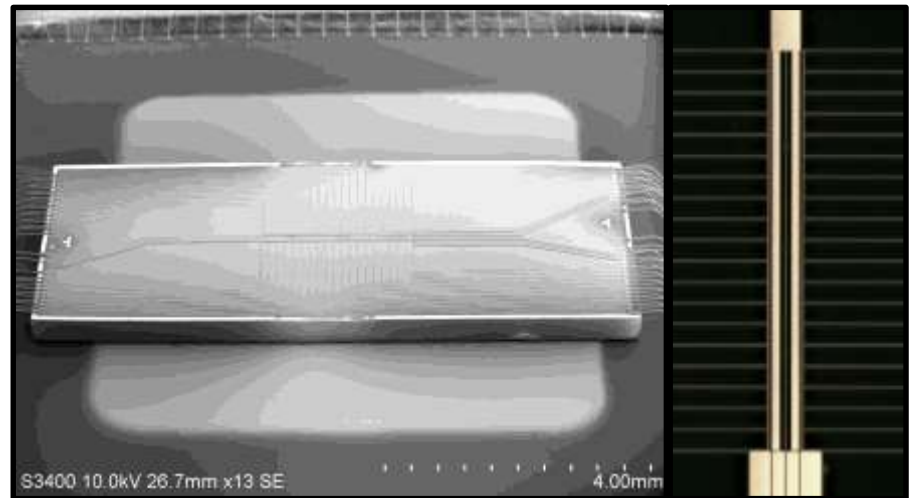


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## Coming Soon:

## Quantum Scientific Open User Testbed (QSCOUT)

- Quantum processor with 5 – 15 qubits
- Realized in trapped ion technology

### Features

- Low single and two qubit error rates ( $<10^{-4}$ ,  $<2 \times 10^{-2}$ )
- All to all connectivity between qubits
- Random algorithm execution capability
- Access to all relevant low-level implementation details
- Capability to change low-level gate implementation

### User support

- Exemplar programs and demonstrations
- User workshops and conferences (together with LBNL)

### Availability

- Available to the DOE Scientific computing community
- First device will come online at end of 2019

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## Quantum Information

### Quantum chemistry

- Calculation of molecular potentials
- Nitrogen and Oxygen fixation, development of catalytic converters

### Medicine

- Structure-based drug development

### Quantum computing

- Number factorization (Shor's algorithm)
- Search in unstructured data, searching for solutions to hard problems (Grover's search algorithm)

### Quantum simulation

- Simulating many-body systems
- Already for about 20 qubits not possible to simulate classically.

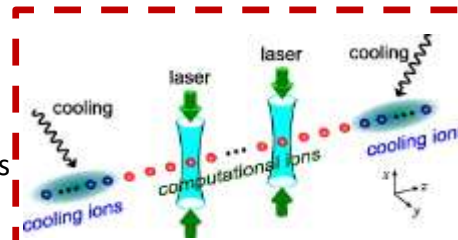
### Quantum Communication

- Securing a quantum channel

## Qubit Implementations

### Trapped Ions

- Blatt and Wineland "Entangled States of Trapped Atomic Ions." *Nature* 453, 1008–15 (2008).
- Monroe and Kim. "Scaling the Ion Trap Quantum Processor." *Science* 339, 1169 (2013)



### Neutral Atoms

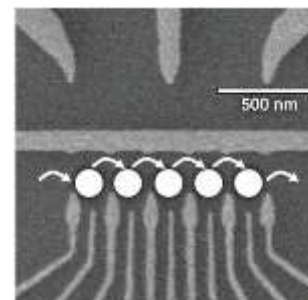
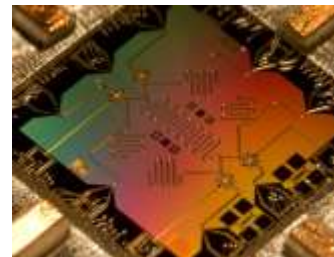
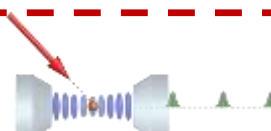
- Rydberg states
- Atoms in cavities

### Superconducting Josephson junctions

- Devoret and Schoelkopf. "Superconducting Circuits for Quantum Information: An Outlook." *Science* 339, 1169 (2013).

### Quantum dots

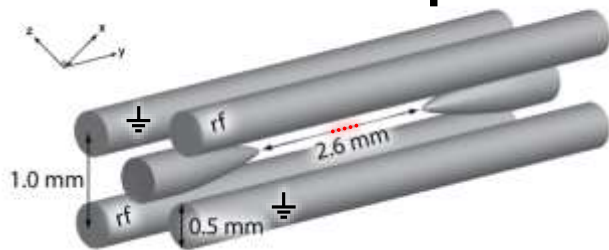
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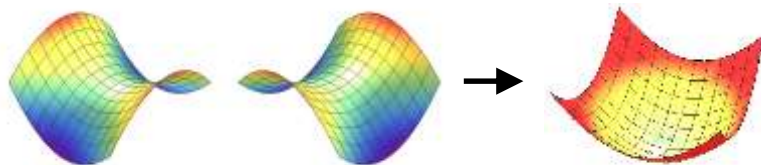
# Brief Overview of Ion Trapping

**Earnshaw's Theorem:** *Static electric fields can't create a stable confining potential for charged particles*

## r.f. Paul Trap



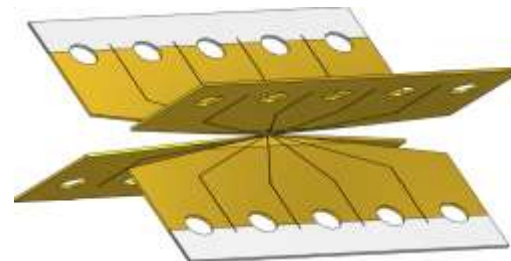
## r.f. pseudopotential



- Time-averaged potential is close to harmonic at the saddle point
- Off the saddle point, ions experience micromotion
- Works well for linear chains of ions
- Doesn't support fine control of ion position or confining potential

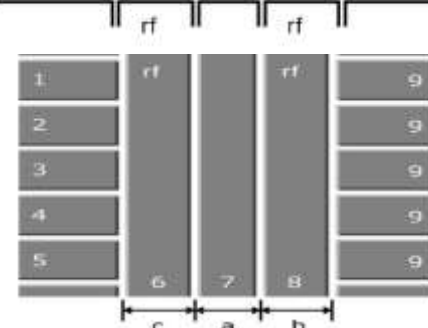
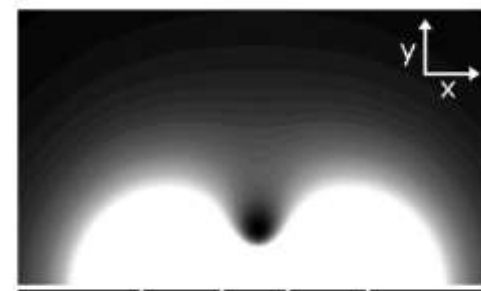
## Segmented Paul Trap

- Better control over confining potential
- Difficult to construct
- Doesn't scale well

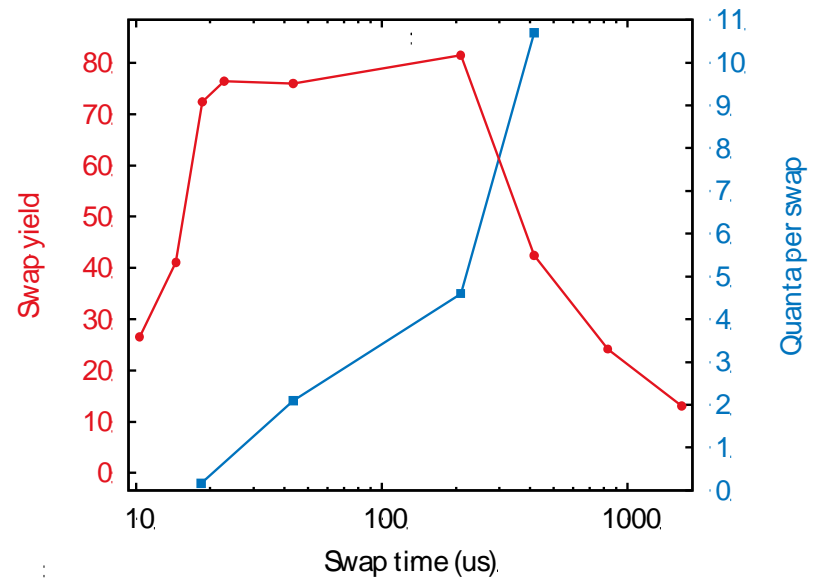
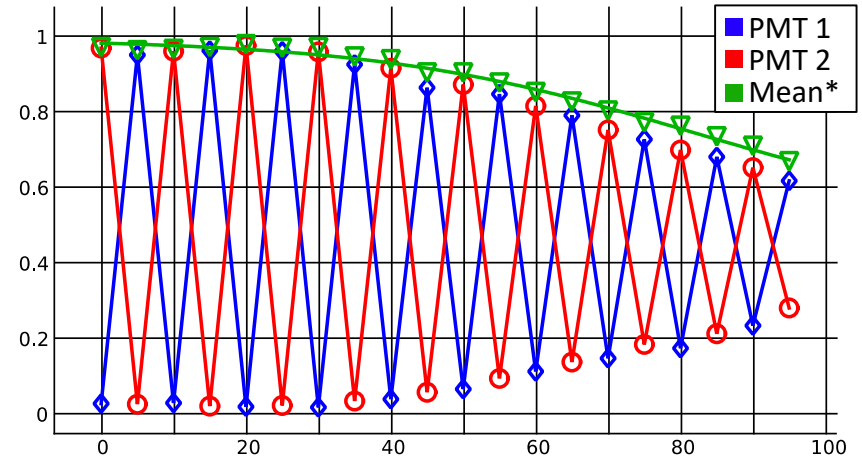
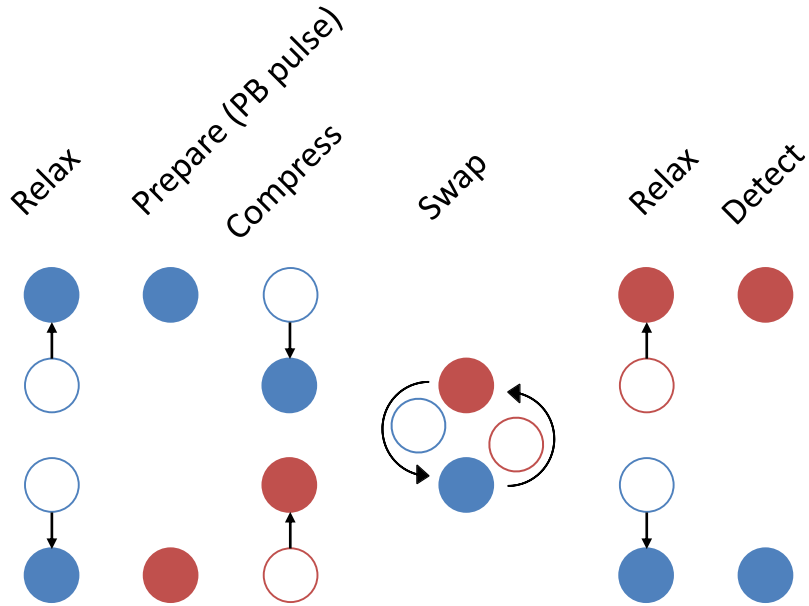


## Microfabricated Surface Trap

- Consistent, well-defined electrode layout
- Microfabrication supports a lot of exotic electrode geometries
- Excellent control over potential
- Very scalable

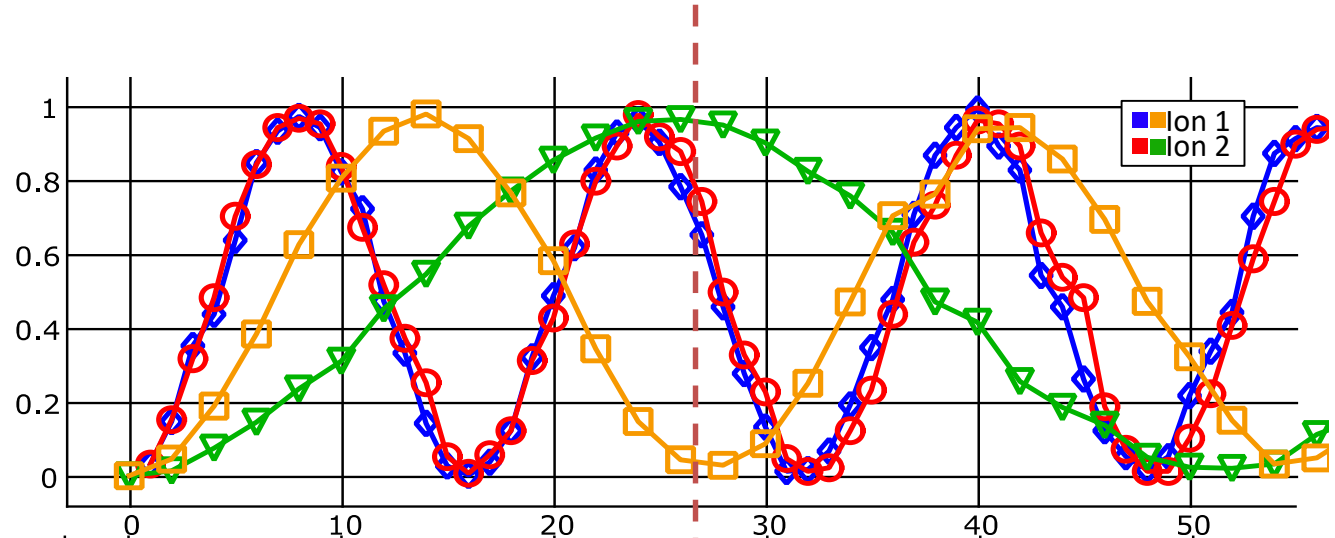


# Measuring swap fidelity

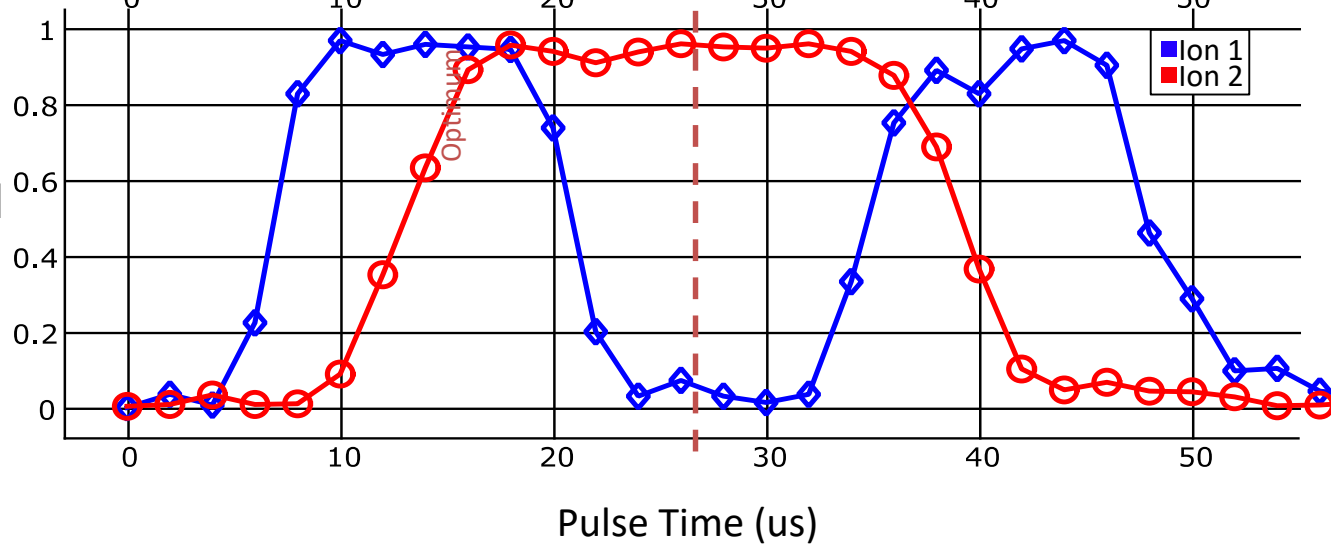


# Swap verification

- Displacing the Raman beam leads to disparate Rabi frequencies



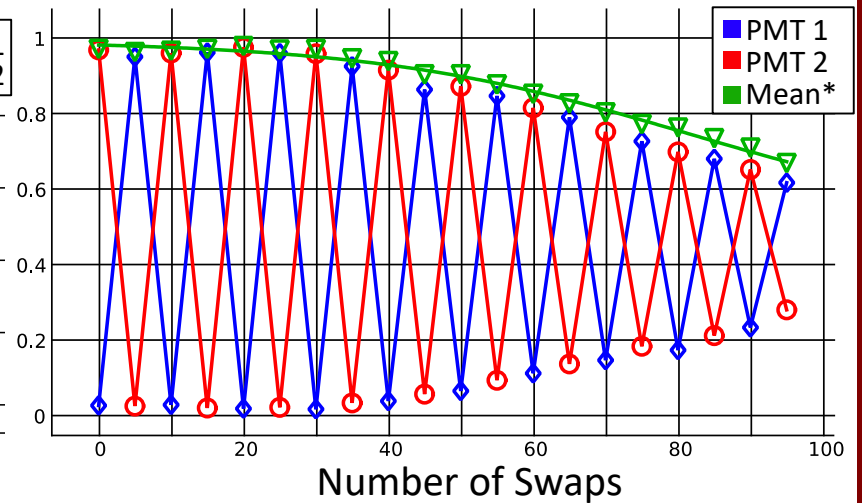
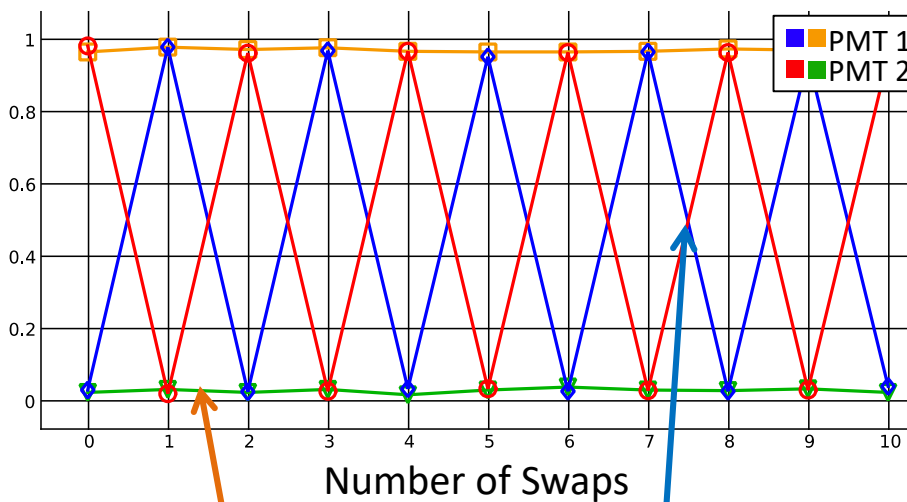
- Contrast is improved by using PB1 compensated pulses



# Swap breakdown

- The absolute upper bound on velocity for a successful swap is limited by timing constraints

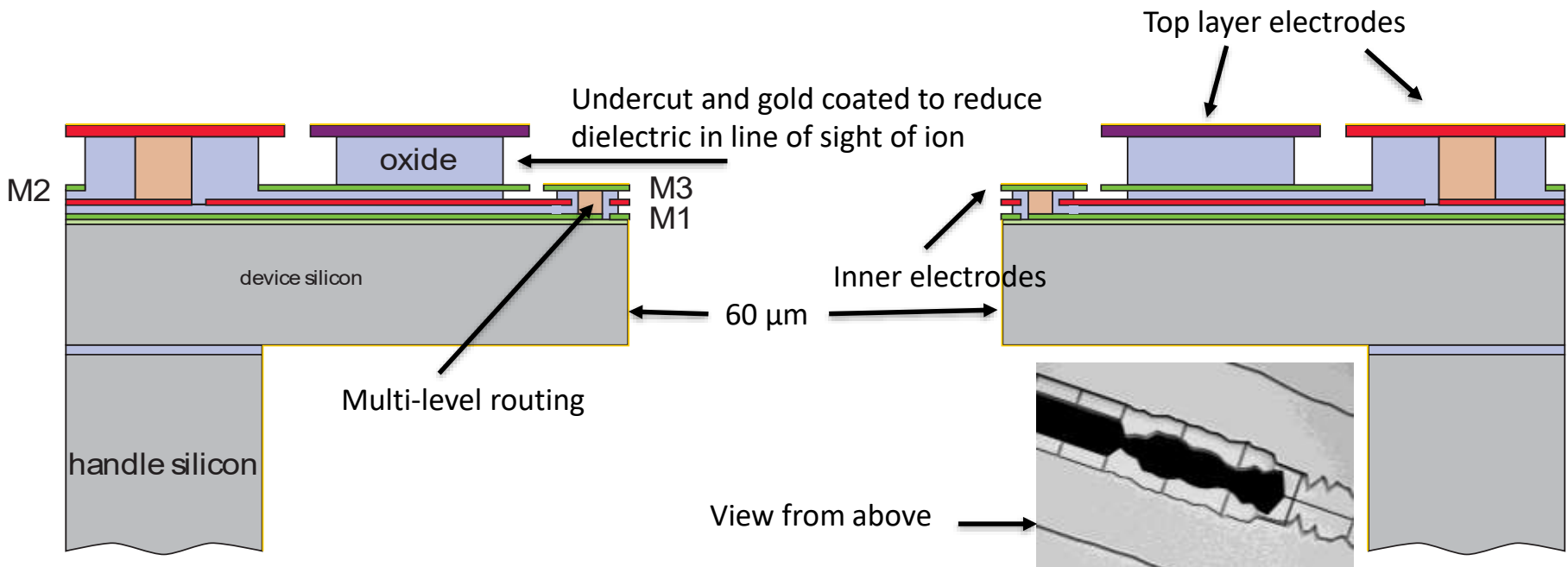
- Swaps degrade after multiple rotations
- Swap yield is determined by decay of the mean, given by  $(1 - P(|0\rangle) + P(|1\rangle))/2$



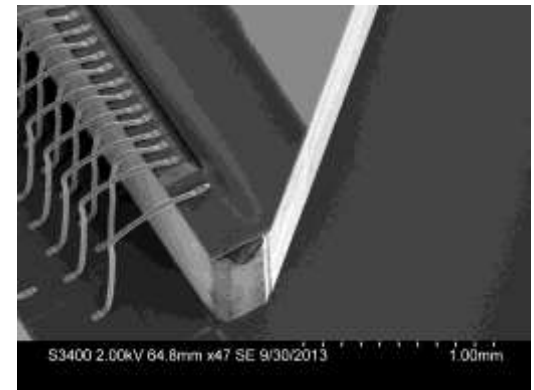
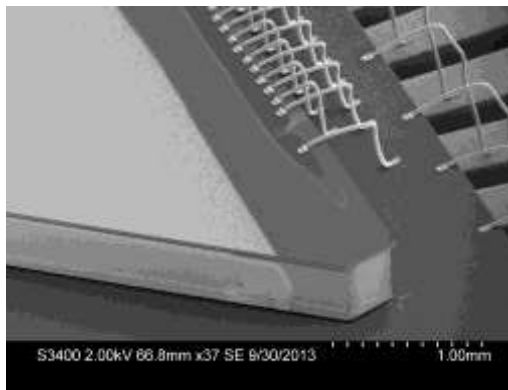
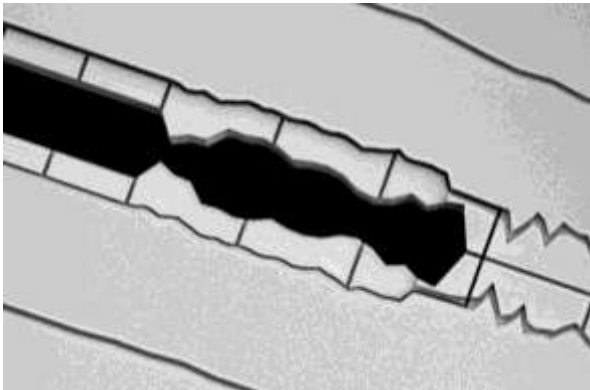
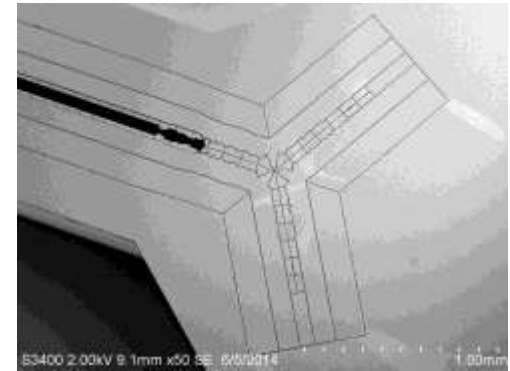
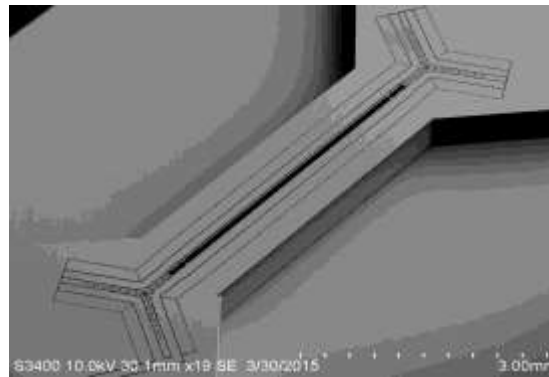
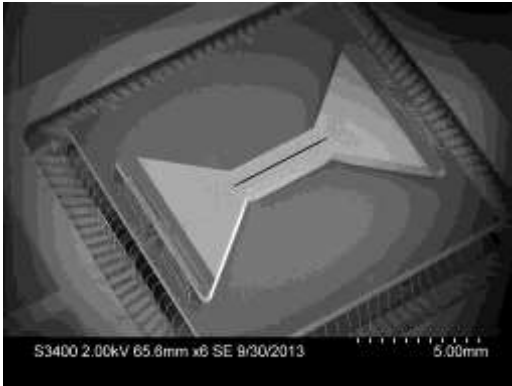
# Capabilities & Requirements

## Derived requirements

- Standardization (lithographically defined electrodes)
- Multi-unit production
- **Multi-level lead routing for accessing interior electrodes**
- Voltage breakdown  $>300\text{ V @ } \sim 50\text{ MHz}$
- **Overhung electrodes**
- Low electric field noise (heating)
- Backside loading holes
- Trench capacitors
- High optical access (delivery and collection)

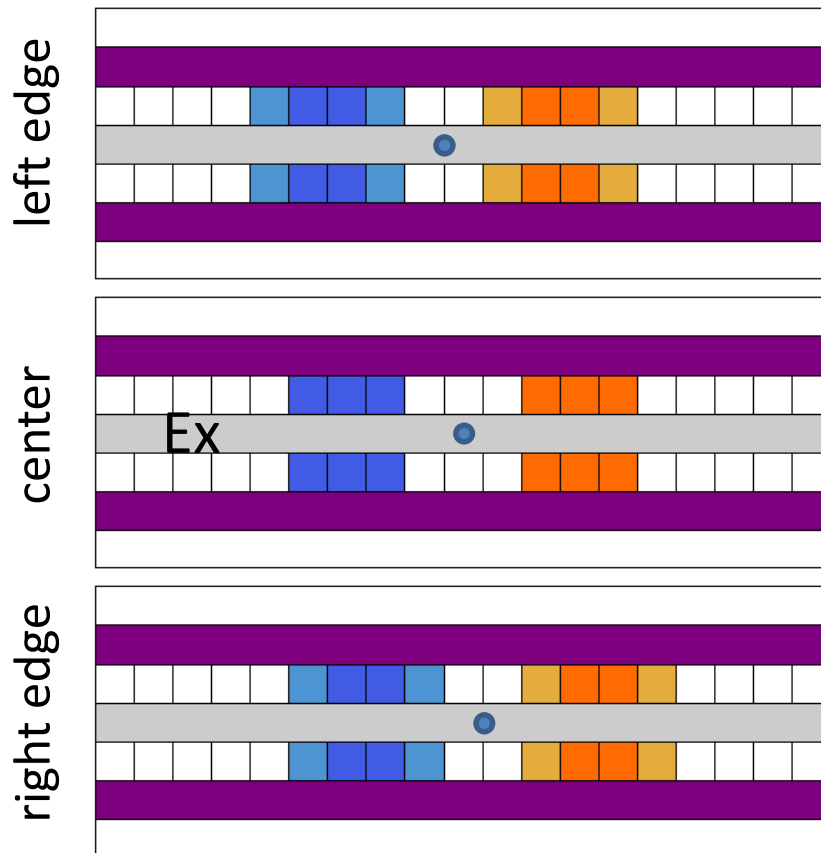


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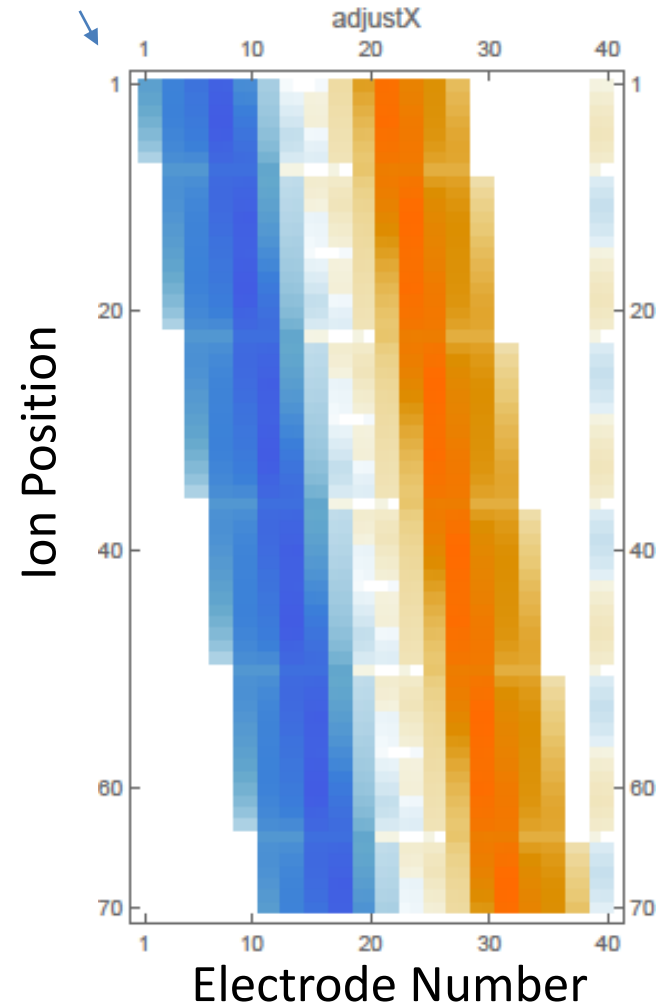


# Shuttling Solutions

- Same method can be used along entire trap



*Solution for Ex field in increments of 5  $\mu\text{m}$*



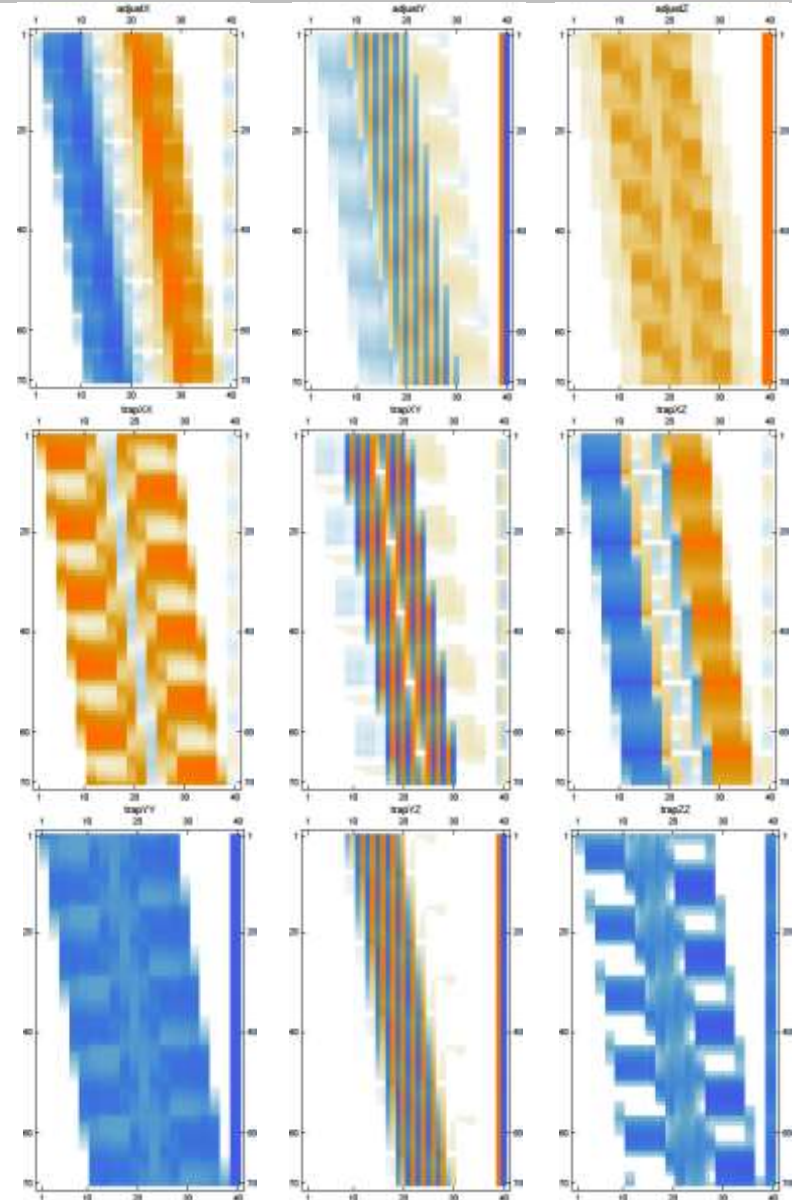


# Shuttling Solutions

- Generate basis solutions for each point

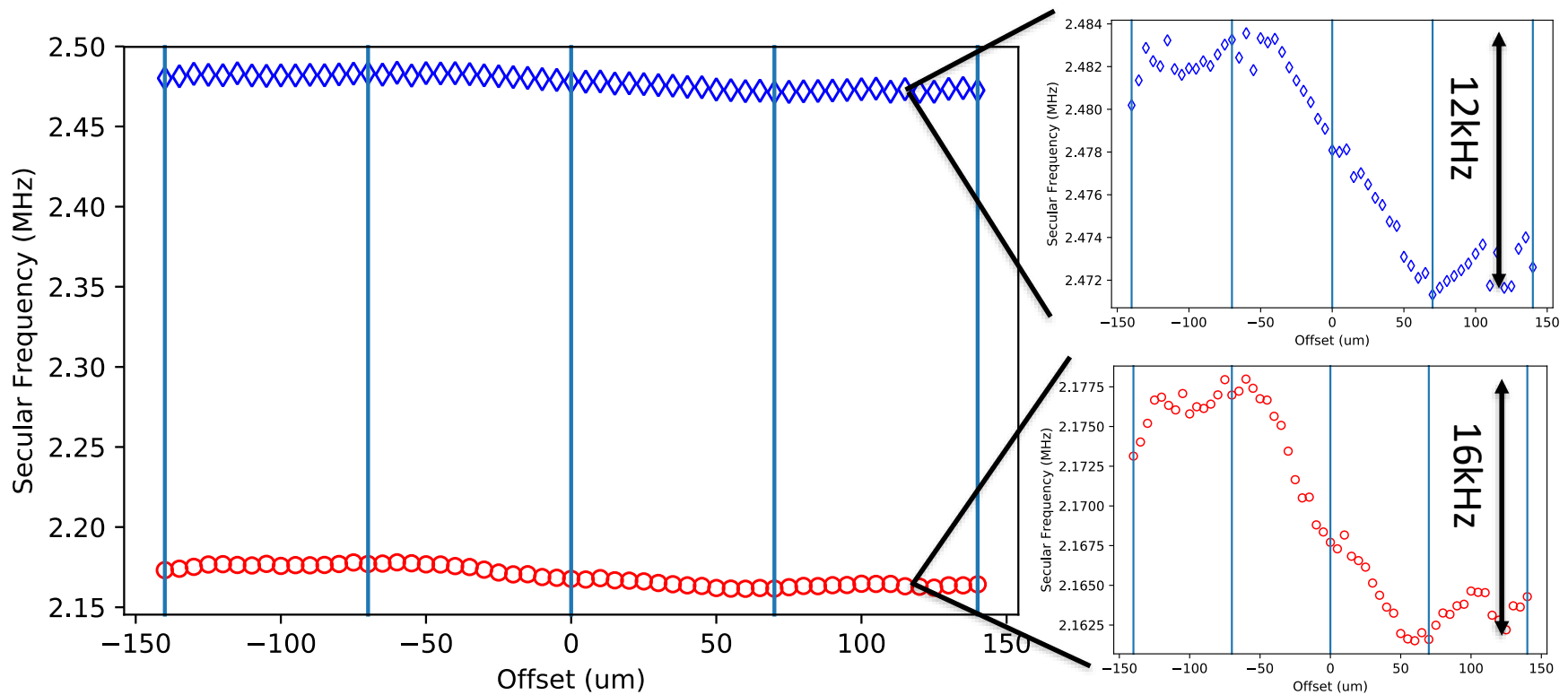
## Advantages:

- Solution are orthogonal
- Full parametric control over trap parameters at each point during shuttling
- Optimization techniques, such as machine learning or search algorithms, can be used to dynamically change basis amplitudes for improved shuttling
- Shuttling primitives can easily be decoupled, for example crystal rotation or linear shuttling at any position in the trap

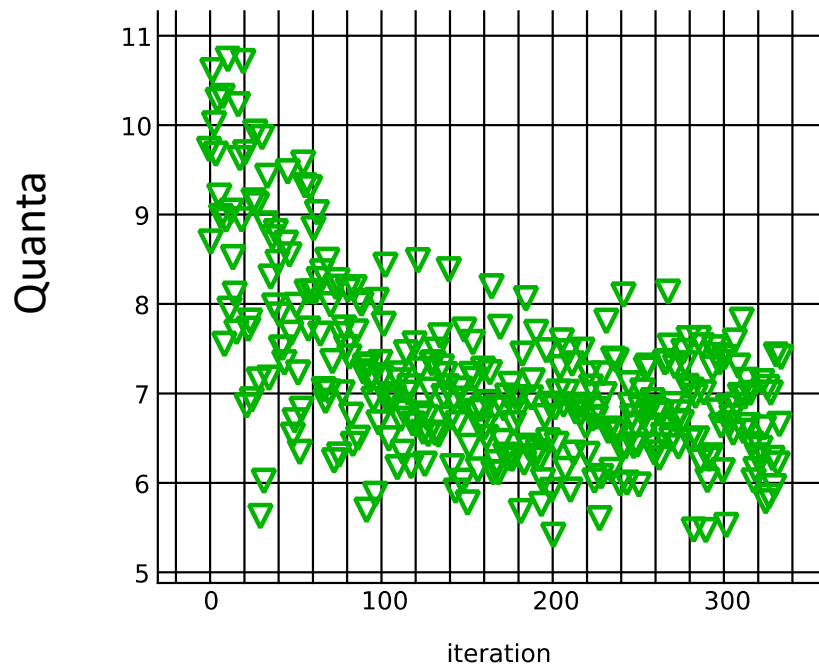


# Trap frequency vs linear offset

- Trap frequencies are stable to within 16 kHz over the course of linear shuttling



- Shuttling in linear section over 140 $\mu$ m, 5 repeats
- Optimization performed with a Nelder-Mead type simplex algorithm

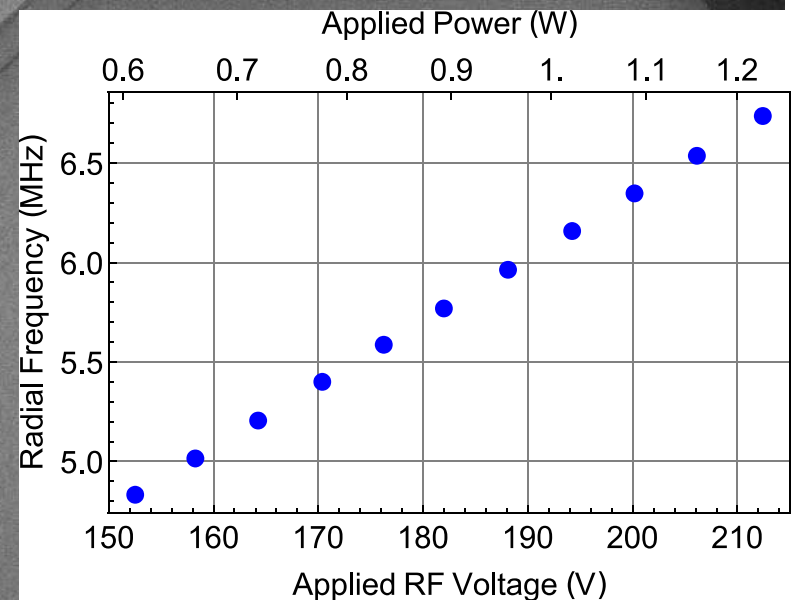


- 12 degrees of freedom for x, y, z offset fields

- First attempts at optimization demonstrate nearly a factor of 2 in heating rate during shuttling

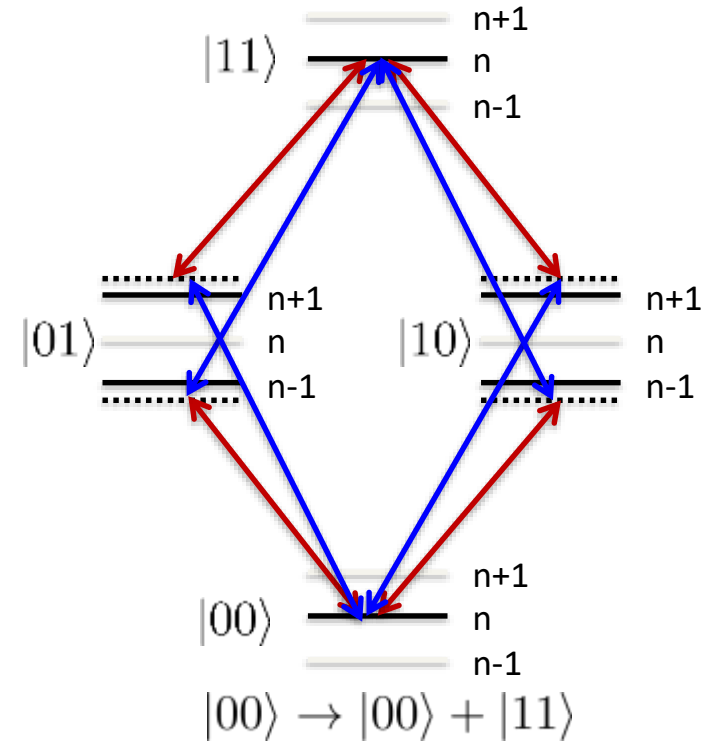
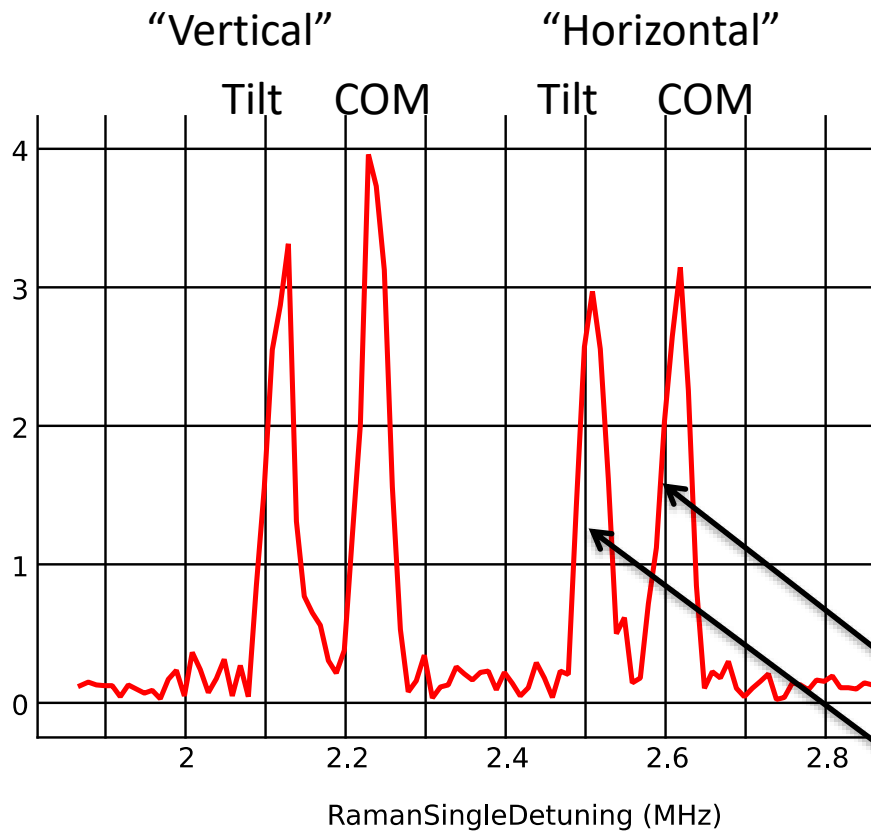
# Microwave trap properties

- $^{171}\text{Yb}^+$
- ion height  $29\ \mu\text{m}$
- rf frequency 87 MHz
- trap frequency 6 MHz



# Two-qubit gate implementation

- Mølmer-Sørensen gates [1] using 355nm pulsed laser
- All two-qubit gates implemented using Walsh compensation pulses [2]



Heating rates

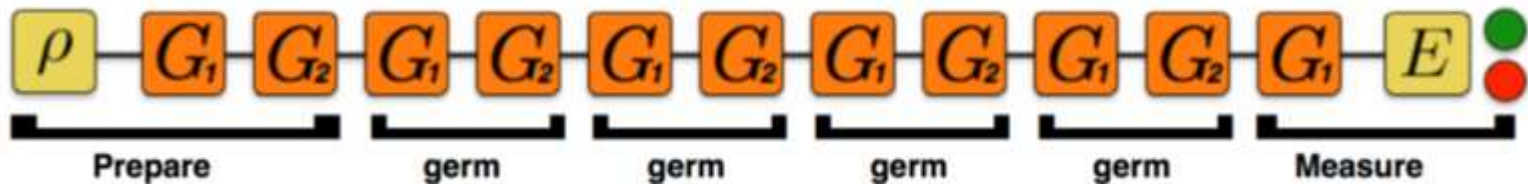
$\approx 60$  quanta/s

$< 8$  quanta/s

[1] K. Mølmer, A. Sørensen, PRL 82, 1835 (1999)

[2] D. Hayes et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 109, 020503 (2012)

# *GST on symmetric subspace*



Basic gates:

$$G_I$$

$$G_{XX} = G_X \otimes G_X$$

$$G_{YY} = G_Y \otimes G_Y$$

$$G_{MS}$$

Preparation Fiducials:

$\{\}$

$G_{XX}$

$G_{YY}$

$G_{MS}$

$G_{XX}G_{MS}$

$G_{YY}G_{MS}$

Germs:

$G_I$

$G_{XX}$

$G_{YY}$

$G_{MS}$

$G_I G_{XX}$

$G_I G_{YY}$

$G_I G_{MS}$

$G_{XX} G_{YY}$

$G_{XX} G_{MS}$

$G_{YY} G_{MS}$

$G_I G_I G_{XX}$

$G_I G_I G_{YY}$

Detection Fiducials:

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$G_{XX}$

$G_{YY}$

$G_{MS}$

$G_{XX} G_{MS}$

$G_{YY} G_{MS}$

$G_{XX}^3$

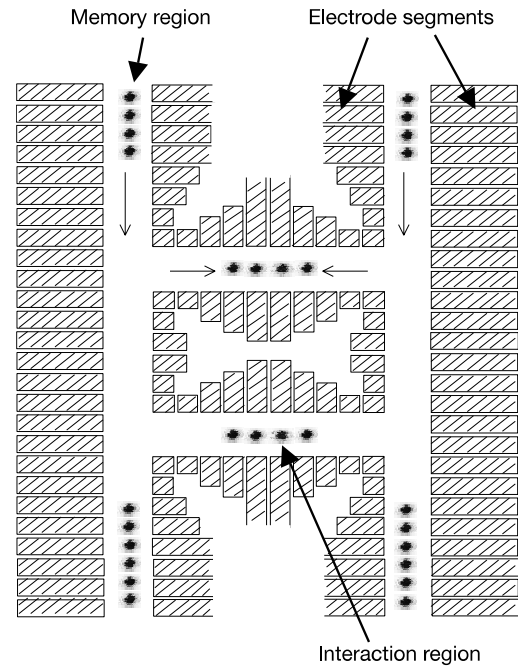
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$G_{YY}^2 G_{MS}$

# Scaling trapped ion systems

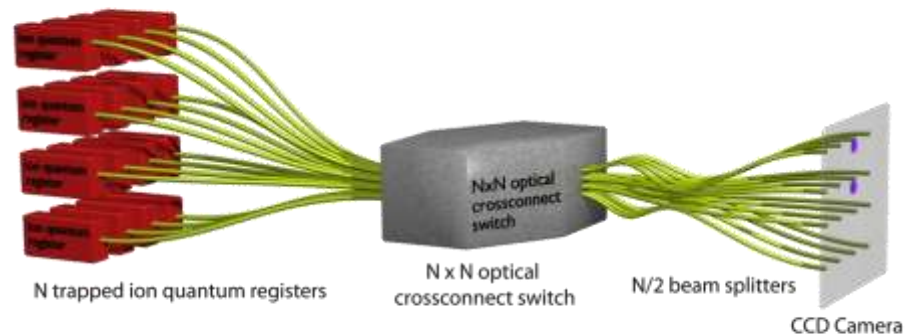
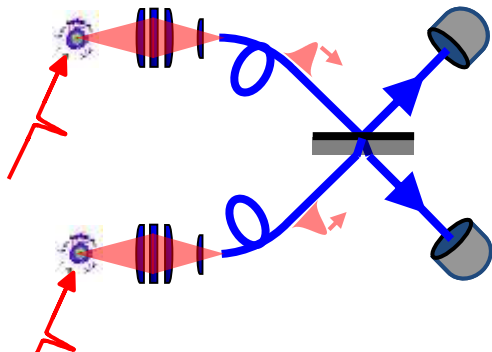
## Quantum charge coupled device

Kielpinsky, Monroe and Wineland, *Nature* **417**, 709 (2002)

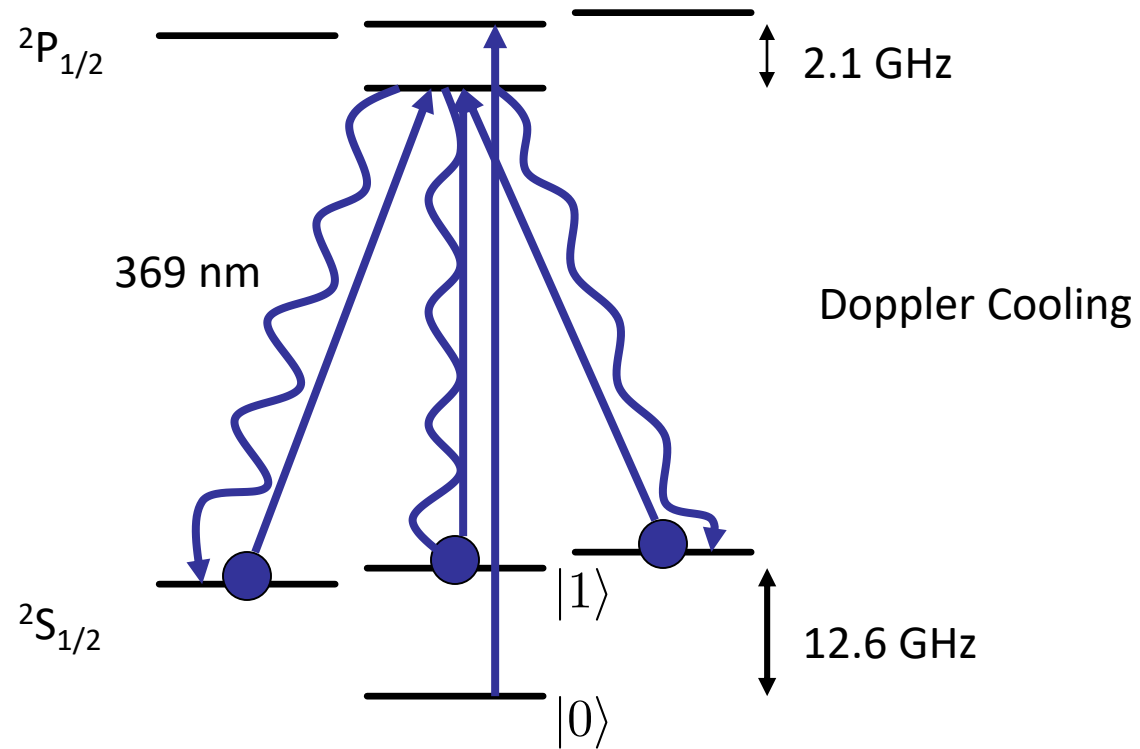


## MUSIQC scaling (scaling beyond a single chip using remote entanglement)

Monroe, et al., *Physical Review A* 89, 022317 (2014).



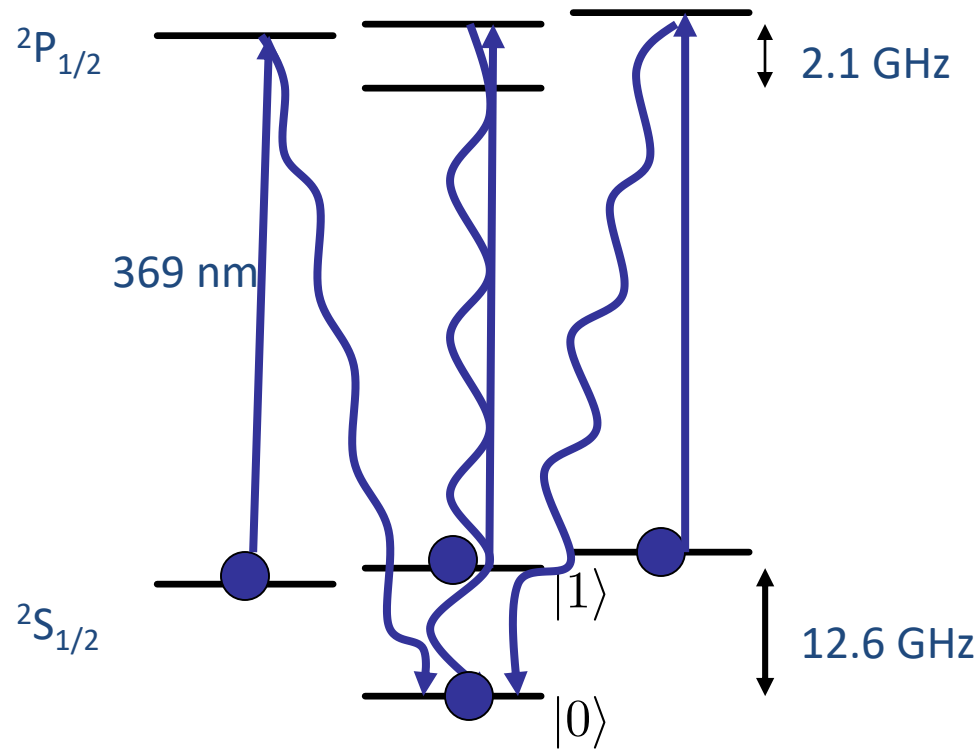
# The Ytterbium Qubit



clock state qubit, magnetic field insensitive.

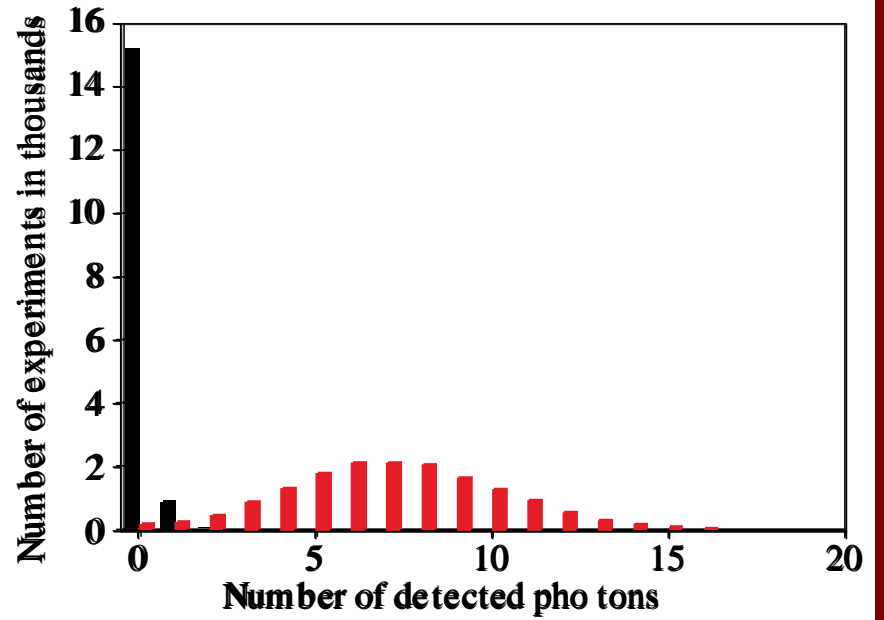
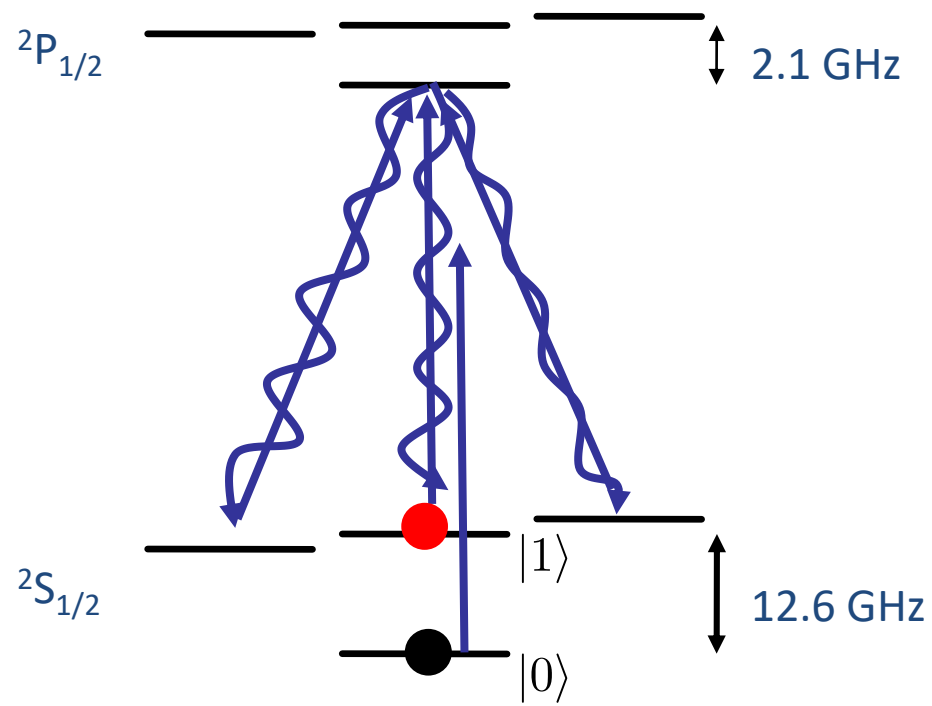


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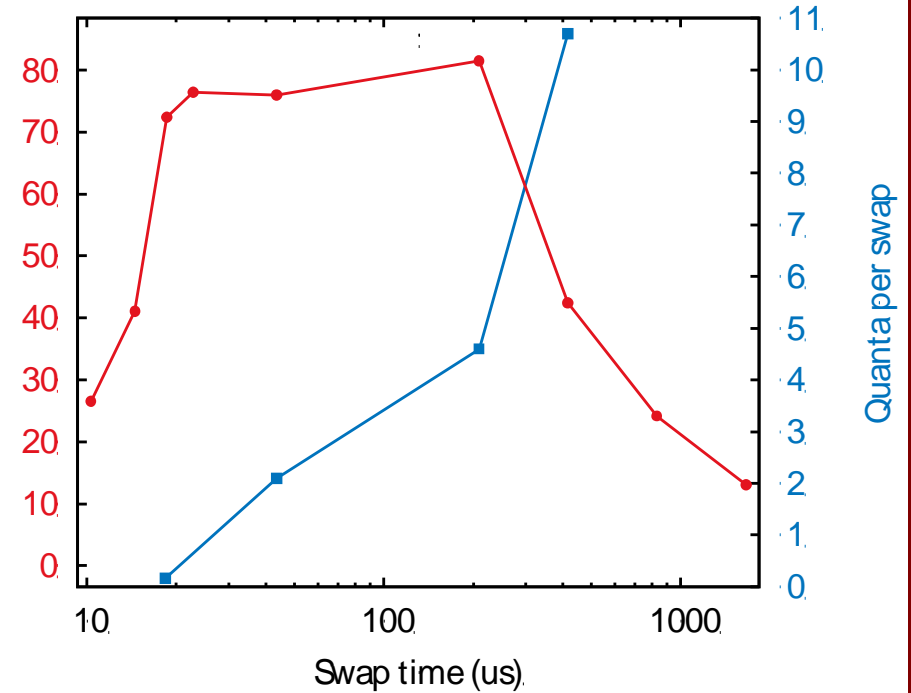
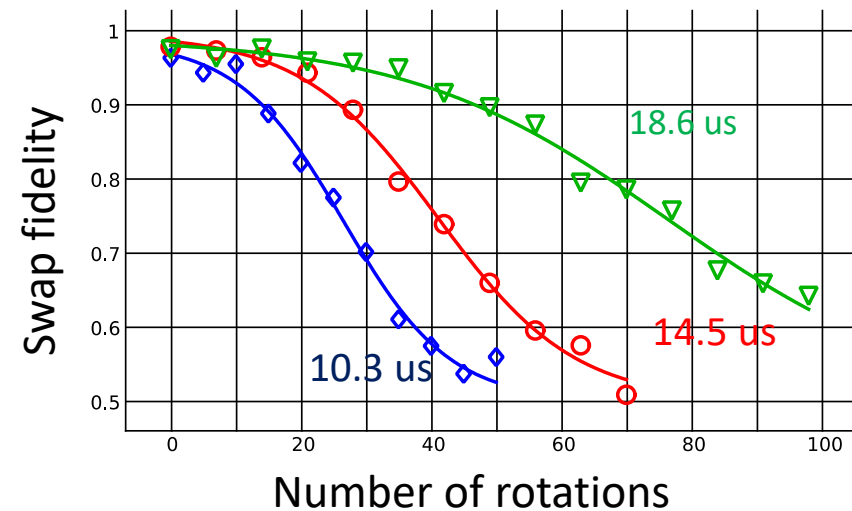
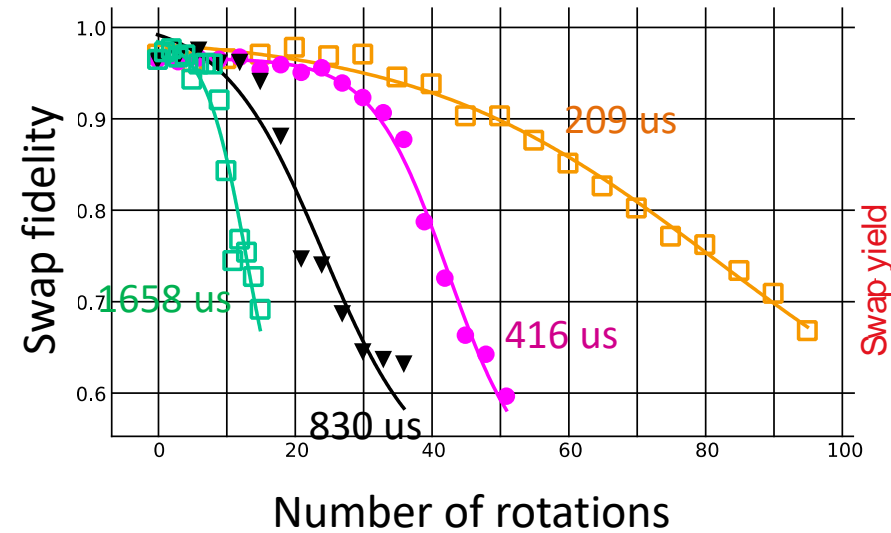


clock state qubit, magnetic field insensitive.

# $^{171}\text{Yb}^+$ state detection



# Swapping fidelity

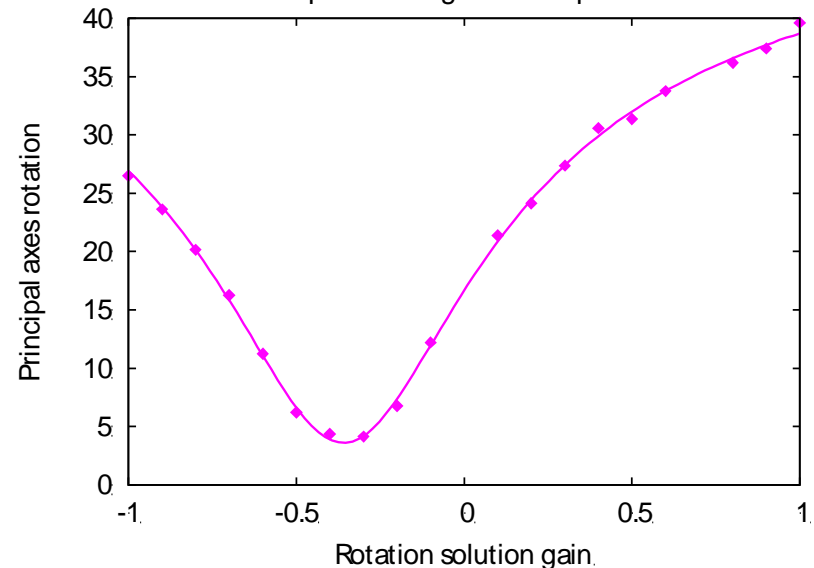
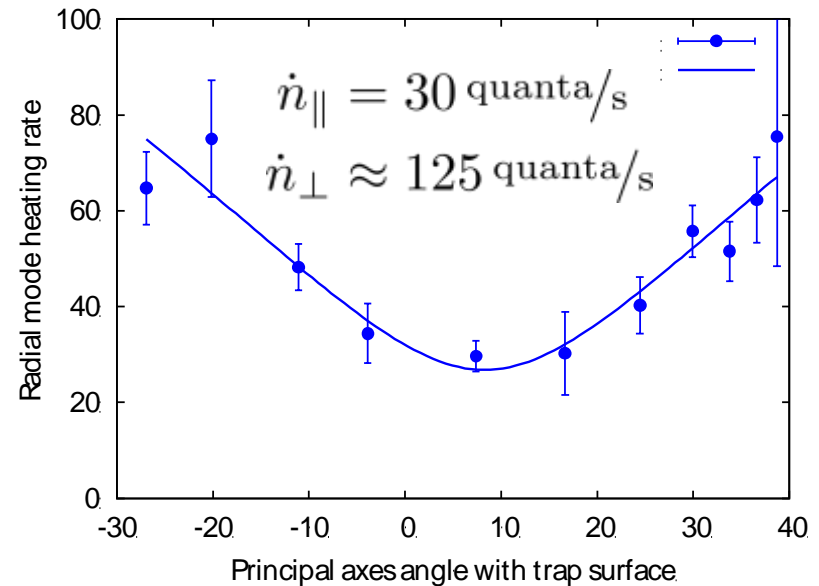


- Best fidelity between  $20\mu\text{s}$  and  $200\mu\text{s}$
- Failure probability increases with number of swaps (heating)

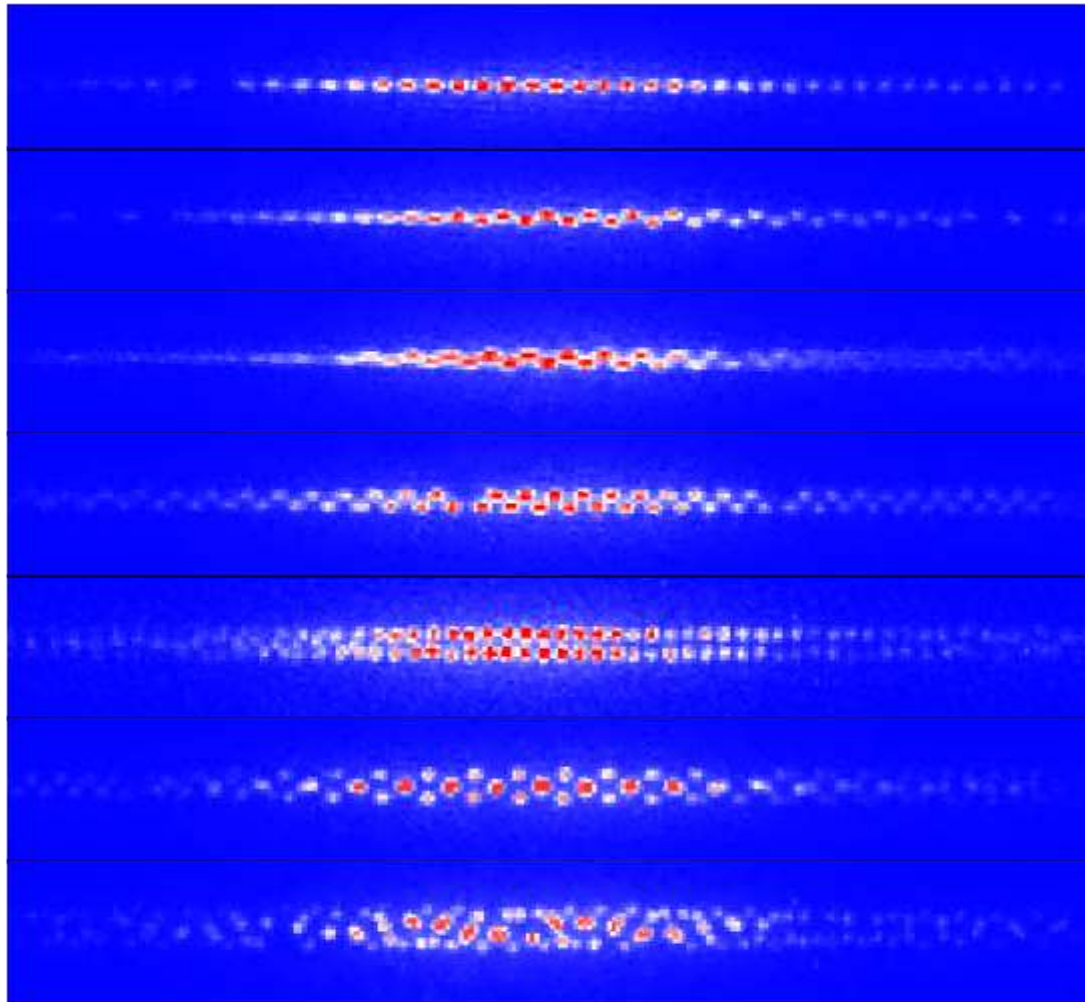
### Heating rates as function of principal axes rotation

- Principal axes rotation measured by measuring  $\pi$ -times of Rabi flopping on cooled motional modes
- Minimal heating rates for motional mode parallel to trap surface  $\dot{n}_{\parallel}$
- Without technical noise: Vertical mode has at most  $\dot{n}_{\perp} \leq 2\dot{n}_{\parallel}$   
(P. Schindler, et al., Phys. Rev. A **92**, 013414 (2015)).
- Limited by technical noise

$^{171}\text{Yb}^+$ , Trap frequency 2.8 MHz, r.f. 50 MHz



# Compression of ion chains



lifetime

15 min

1.5 hours



> 16 hours

# Linear chain melting



# Slightly buckled chain stability



# Ramping up buckling





# Ion “braid” stability

