

**Quantum Computing  
with  
Polar Molecules**

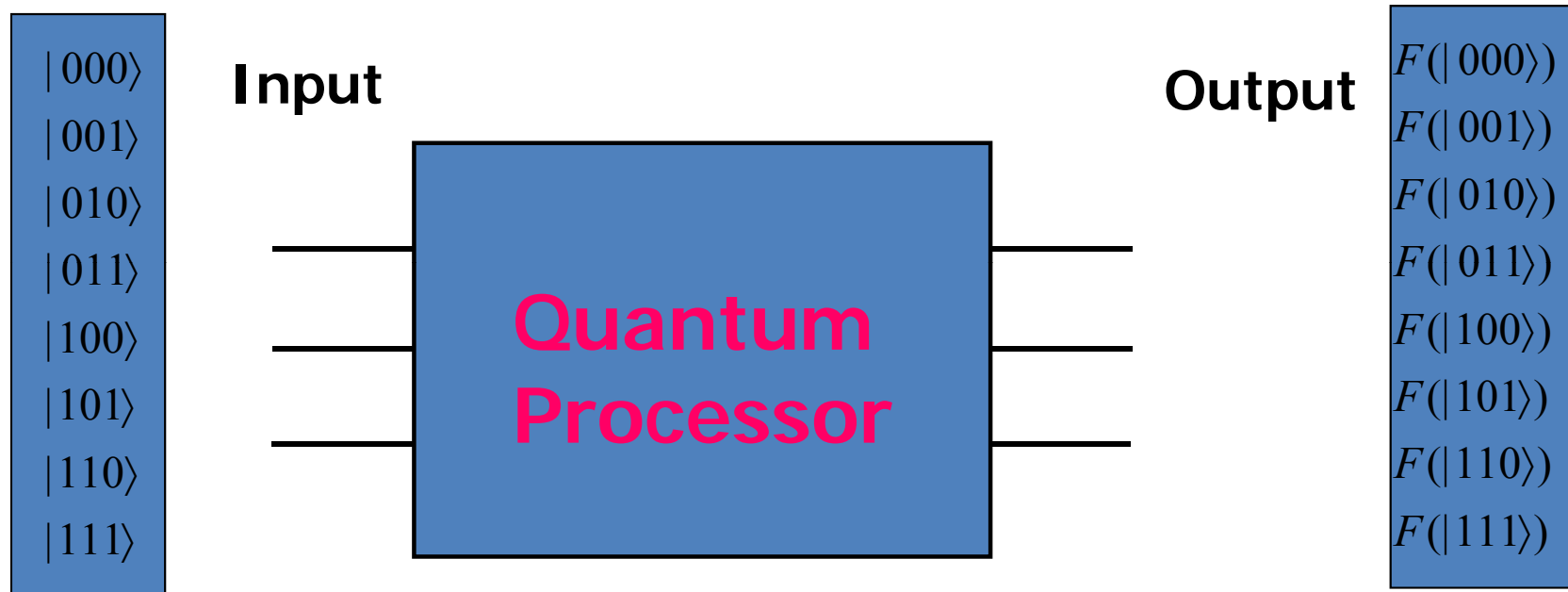
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# Talk overview

- Introduction
- Polar molecules in optical lattice
- Entanglement in optical traps
- Alignment-mediated entanglement
- Dynamics of entanglement
- Quantum gates
- Applications

# Quantum Computation



**Preparing state**

$$|\Psi_{in}\rangle$$

**Processing state**

$$|\Psi_{out}\rangle = U |\Psi_{in}\rangle$$

**Detecting state**

$$|\Psi_{out}\rangle$$

# DeVincenzo Criteria (2001)

- ◆ A scalable physical system with well characterized qubits
- ◆ The ability to initialize the state of the qubits
- ◆ Long decoherence time relative to the gate operation time
- ◆ Universal set of quantum gates
- ◆ Qubit-specific measurement capability

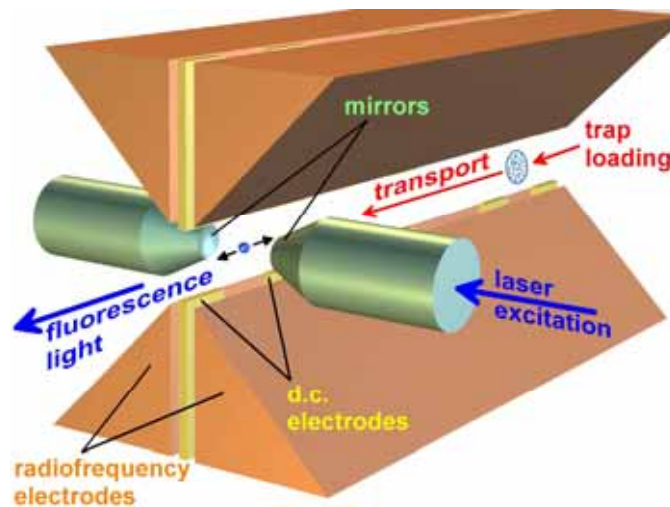
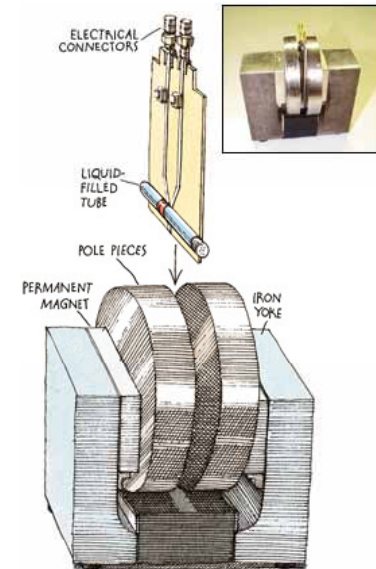
**Prospects for Quantum Computing**  
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# Possible Systems

Quantum two-level systems:

- ◆ Electron Spin  $|\uparrow\rangle, |\downarrow\rangle$
- ◆ Nuclear Spin  $|+\rangle, |-\rangle$
- ◆ Polarized Photon  $|L\rangle, |R\rangle$
- ◆ Trapped Ion  $|L_0\rangle, |L_1\rangle$
- ◆ Quantum Dot  $|g\rangle, |e\rangle$



Quantum-dot array proposal:

Loss & DiVincenzo, Phys. Rev. A 57, 120 (1998).



System	$\tau_Q$	$\tau_{op}$	$n_{op}=\lambda^{-1}$
Nuclear Spin	$10^2 - 10^8$	$10^{-3} - 10^{-6}$	$10^5 - 10^{14}$
Electron spin	$10^{-3}$	$10^{-7}$	$10^4$
Ion Trap (In <sup>+</sup> )	$10^{-1}$	$10^{-14}$	$10^{13}$
Electron – Au	$10^{-8}$	$10^{-14}$	$10^6$
Electron – GaAs	$10^{-10}$	$10^{-13}$	$10^3$
Quantum dot	$10^{-6}$	$10^{-9}$	$10^3$
Optical cavity	$10^{-5}$	$10^{-14}$	$10^9$
Microwave cavity	$10^0$	$10^{-4}$	$10^4$

Crude estimates for **decoherence times**  $\tau_Q$  (seconds), **operation times**  $\tau_{op}$  (seconds), and **maximum number of operations**  $n_{op}=\lambda^{-1}=\tau_Q/\tau_{op}$  for various candidate physical realizations of interacting systems of quantum bits.

# What we need for Quantum Computation

Low decoherence

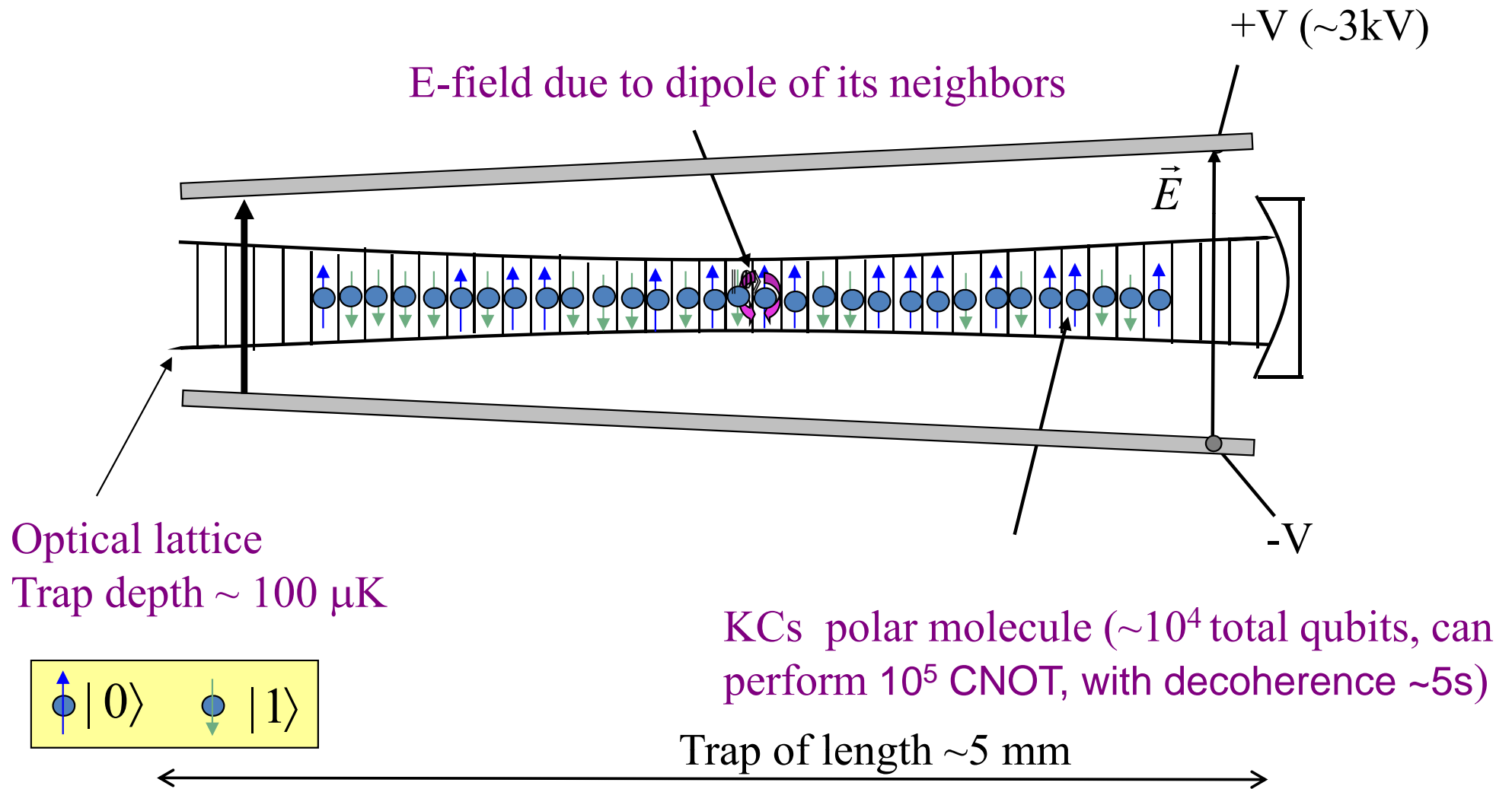
Almost isolated system

Strong control

Strongly coupled to user

**Challenge:** to gain strong, precise control over quantum systems that maintain their quantum nature.

# Quantum Computation with Cold Polar Molecules in an Optical Lattice



**D. DeMille, PRL 88, 067901 (2002)**

# Features of the Proposed Approach

- Long decoherence time  $\sim 1$  s or longer.
- Easy to scale up the number of quantum gates.
- Easy to address individual qubit due to introduced E-field gradient.
- Involved challenging technologies but achievable

<http://qist.lanl.gov> **the quantum computation roadmap**

# Entanglement

## Trapped Molecules Proposal for QC

Arrays of trapped ultracold polar molecules. Spin-less ( $S=0$ ) polar molecules in their electronic-vibrational ground-state, with zero-projection ( $M=0$ ) of the total angular momentum on the internuclear axis.

Qubits correspond to dipole moments up or down relative to the applied E-field.

A strong external field with appreciable gradient is imposed in order to prevent quenching of the dipole moments by rotation and to distinguish among the qubit sites.

Molecular dipoles undergo pendular oscillations, which markedly affect the qubit states and the dipole–dipole interaction.

# Objectives

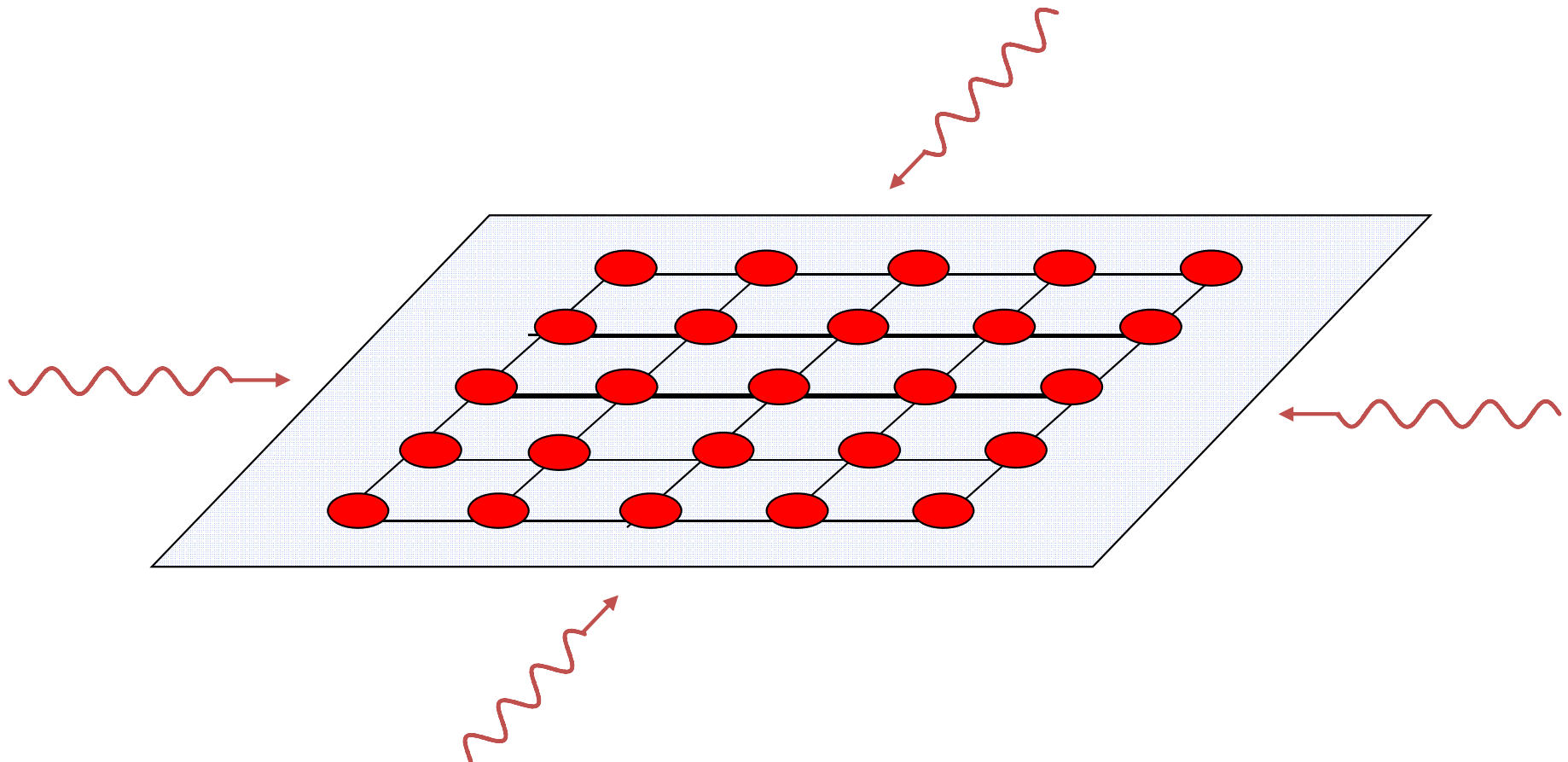
- Evaluate entanglement of the pendular qubit states for two linear dipoles, characterized by pairwise concurrence, as a function of:
  - (A) Molecular dipole moment rotational constant
  - (B) Strengths of the external field
  - (C) Dipole–dipole coupling
  - (D) Temperature

Extend the calculations to N-dipoles

- Evaluate the parameters needed for quantum gates
- Examine dynamics and decoherence of qubits

# Optical Lattice

An **optical lattice** is formed by the interference of counter-propagating laser beams, creating a spatially periodic polarization pattern.





# Hamiltonian for a Single Molecule

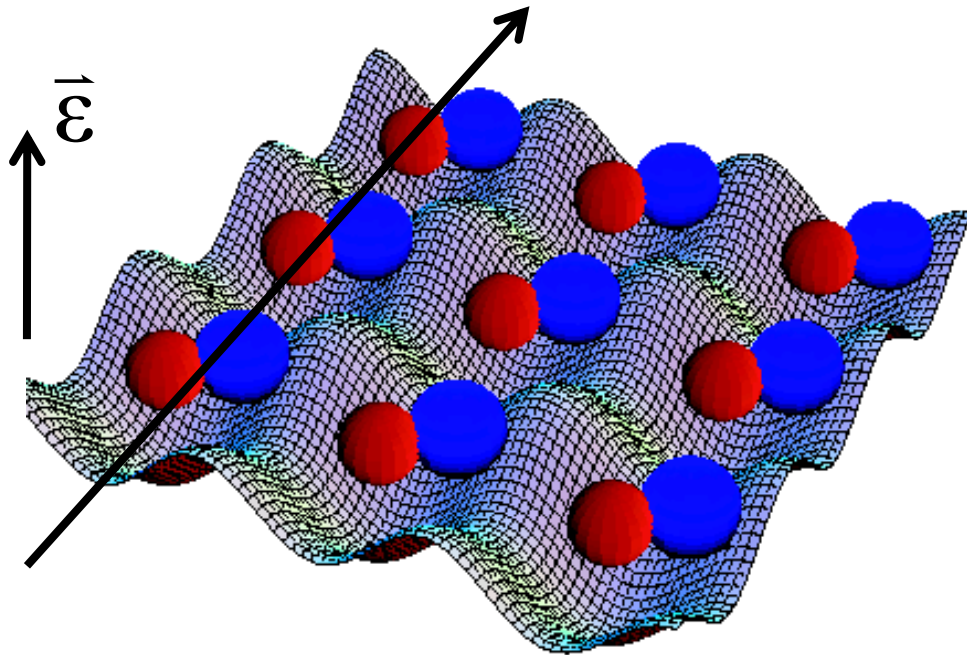
$$\hat{H} = \frac{P^2}{2m} + V_{trap}(\vec{r}) + BJ^2 - \vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{\mathcal{E}}$$

Kinetic energy  
Trapping potential

Rotation energy  
Electric field

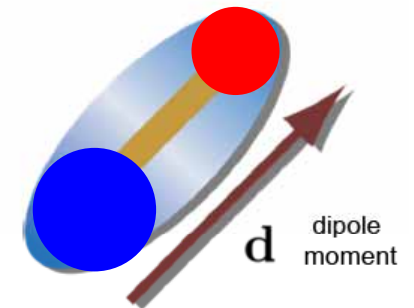
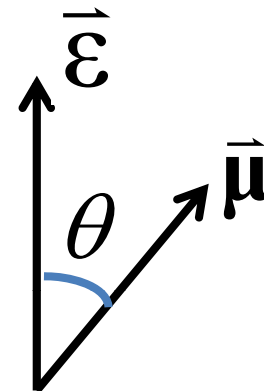
Assume

Rotational state  $H_S$



$$\hat{H}_S = BJ^2 - \mu \mathcal{E} \cos \theta$$

Eigenfunctions : Pendular states



# A Brief History of Pendular States

## Directed States of Molecules:

Stationary quantum mechanical states for diatomic molecules whose geometrical axis is preferentially aligned in space, the molecular axis is directed (Generalized coherent states, minimal uncertainty states)

S. Kais and R.D. Levine, *J. Phys. Chem.* 91, 5461 (1987)

## Pendular States of Molecules:

Directional hybrids, comprised of linear combinations of the field-free rotor states  $|J, M\rangle$  with a range of  $J$  values but the same fixed value of the  $M$  quantum number

“Spatial orientation of molecules in strong electric fields and evidence for pendular states”

B. Friedrich and D.R. Herschbach, *Letters to Nature* 353,412 (1991)

Experimental demonstration for the diatomic molecule iodine monochloride, ICl

Printed by S. KANE, 1871

# Pendular States Qubits

$$|0\rangle = \sum_j a_j Y_{j,0}(\theta, \varphi), \quad |1\rangle = \sum_j a'_j Y_{j,0}(\theta, \varphi)$$

For the simplest case of a diatomic molecule, the qubit eigenstates resulting from the Stark effect are linear combinations of Spherical Harmonics, with coefficients that depend markedly on the field strength.

There are three dimensionless variables:

- $\mu\epsilon/B$  The ratio of the Stark energy (magnitude of permanent dipole moment times electric field strength) to the rotational constant (proportional to inverse of molecular moment of inertia).
- $\Omega/B$  with  $\Omega = \mu^2/r^3$  The square of the permanent dipole moment divided by the cube of the separation distance.
- $k_B T/B$  The ratio of thermal energy (Boltzmann constant times Kelvin temperature) to the rotational constant

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## Entanglement of polar molecules in pendular states

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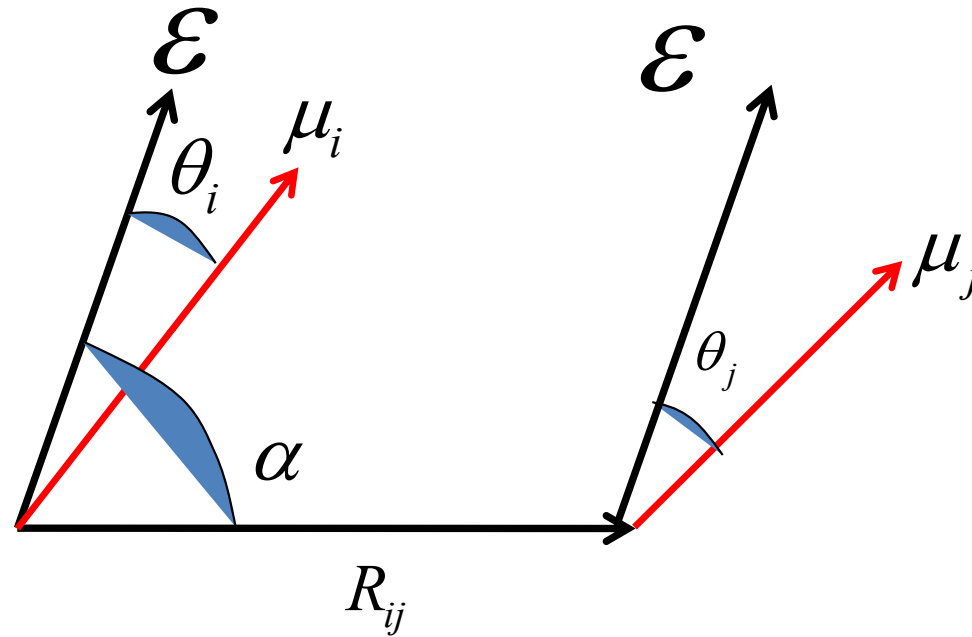
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# Dipole-Dipole Interaction



$$V_{d-d}^{i,j} = \frac{\mu_i \mu_j}{R_{ij}^3} (1 - 3 \cos^2 \alpha) \cos \theta_i \cos \theta_j$$

# Multi-dipole Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_S + \hat{H}_{dd} = \sum_{i=1}^N H_S^i + \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^N V_{d-d}^{i,j}$$

For  $N = 2$ , we expand the  $\hat{H}$  in the basis of  $|00\rangle, |01\rangle, |10\rangle$  and  $|11\rangle$

$$\hat{H}_S = \begin{pmatrix} W_0 + W'_0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & W_0 + W'_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & W_1 + W'_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & W_1 + W'_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{H}_{d-d} = \Omega(1 - 3\cos^2 \alpha) \begin{pmatrix} C_0 C'_0 & C_0 C'_X & C_X C'_0 & C_X C'_X \\ C_0 C'_X & C_0 C'_1 & C_X C'_X & C_X C'_1 \\ C_X C'_0 & C_X C'_X & C_1 C'_0 & C_1 C'_X \\ C_X C'_X & C_X C'_1 & C_1 C'_X & C_1 C'_1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Omega = \frac{\mu^2}{R^3}$$

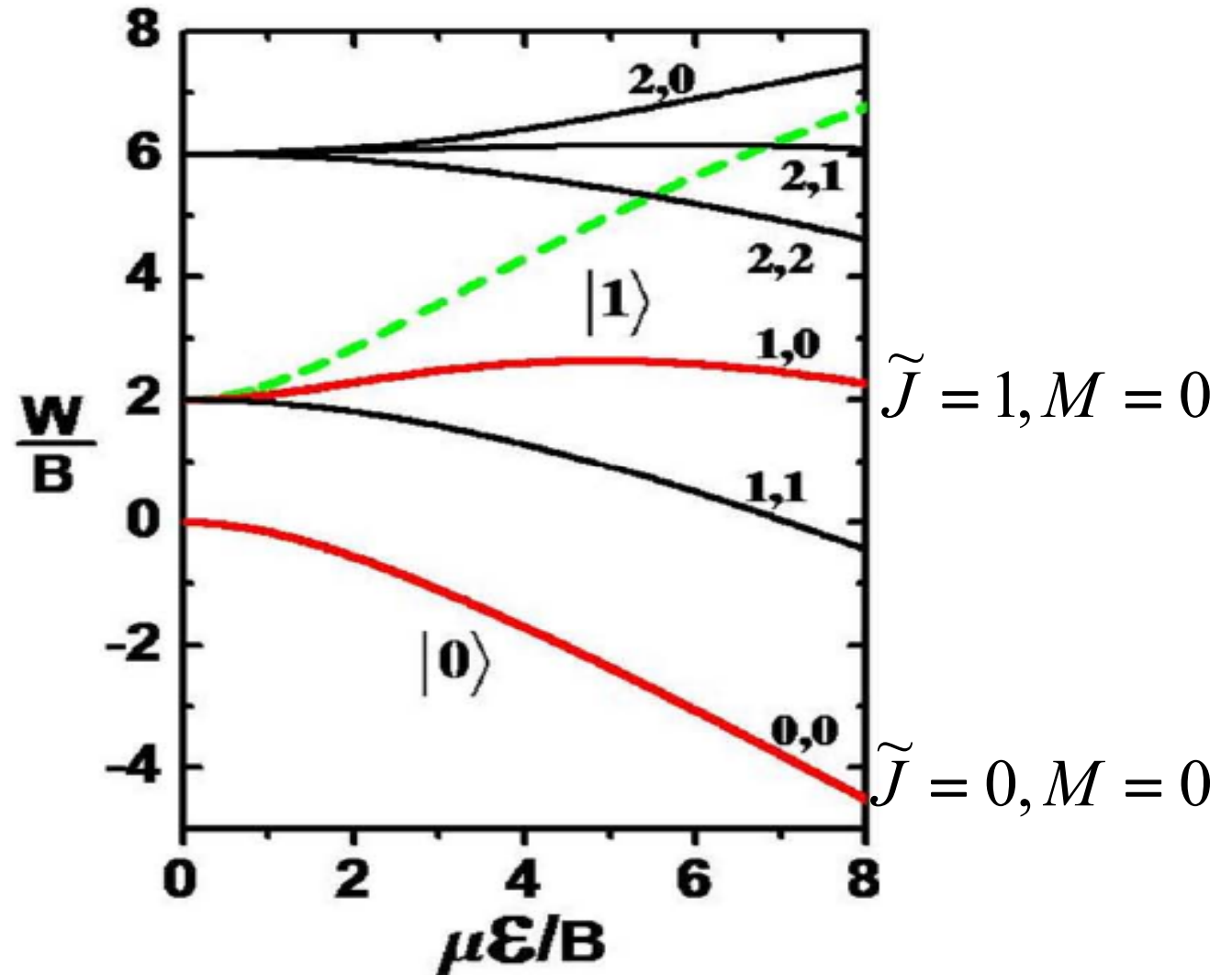
Where  $C_0 = \langle 0 | \cos \theta | 0 \rangle$     $C_X = \langle 0 | \cos \theta | 1 \rangle$     $C_1 = \langle 1 | \cos \theta | 1 \rangle$

# Pendular Eigenenergies

Energy levels,  $\mathbf{W}$ , for a polar diatomic molecule in an electric field. States are labeled by quantum numbers  $\mathbf{J}, \mathbf{M}$

$\mathbf{J}$  denotes total angular momentum  $\mathbf{M}$  projection on direction of electric field Qubit states  $|\mathbf{0}\rangle$  and  $|\mathbf{1}\rangle$  are in red.

Green is the transition energy.



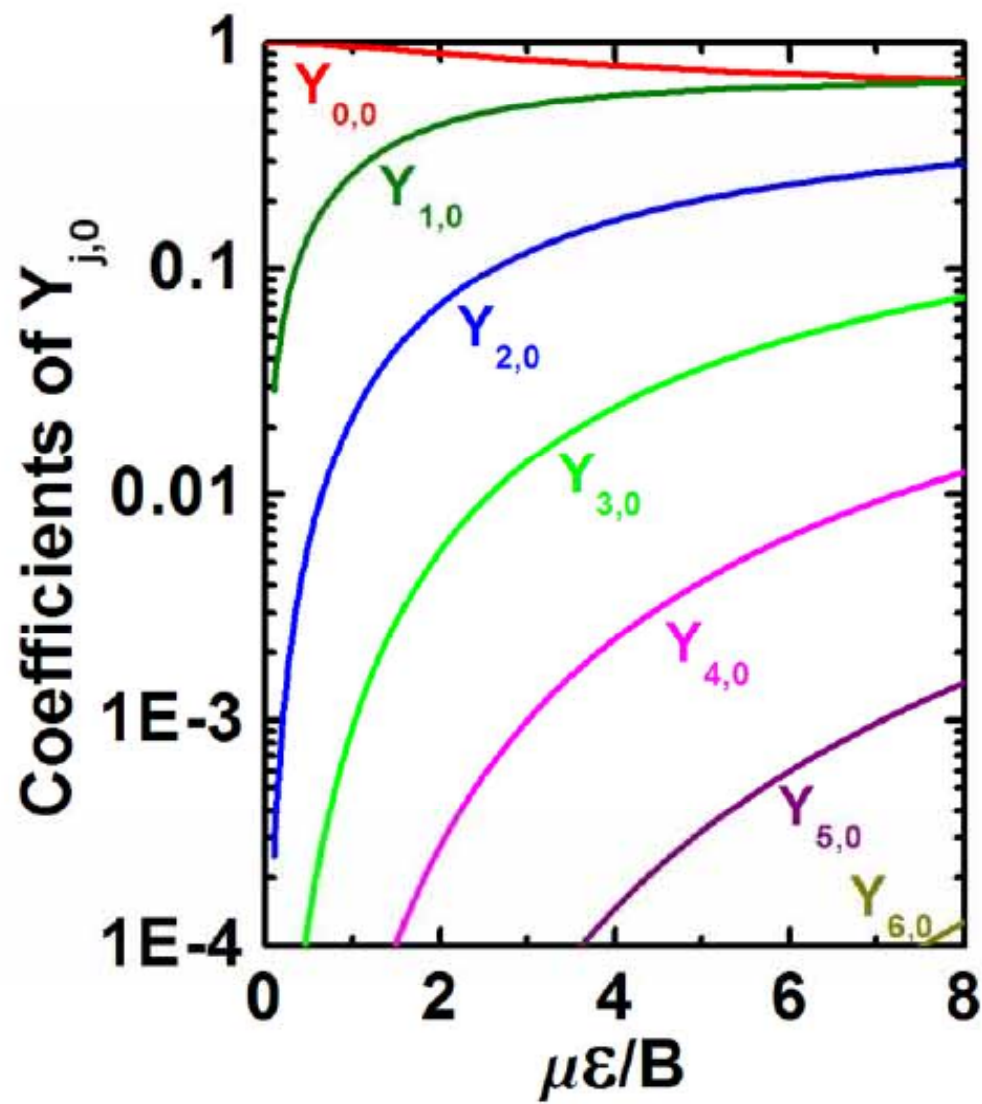
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$$|1\rangle = \sum_j a'_j Y_{j,0}(\theta, \varphi)$$

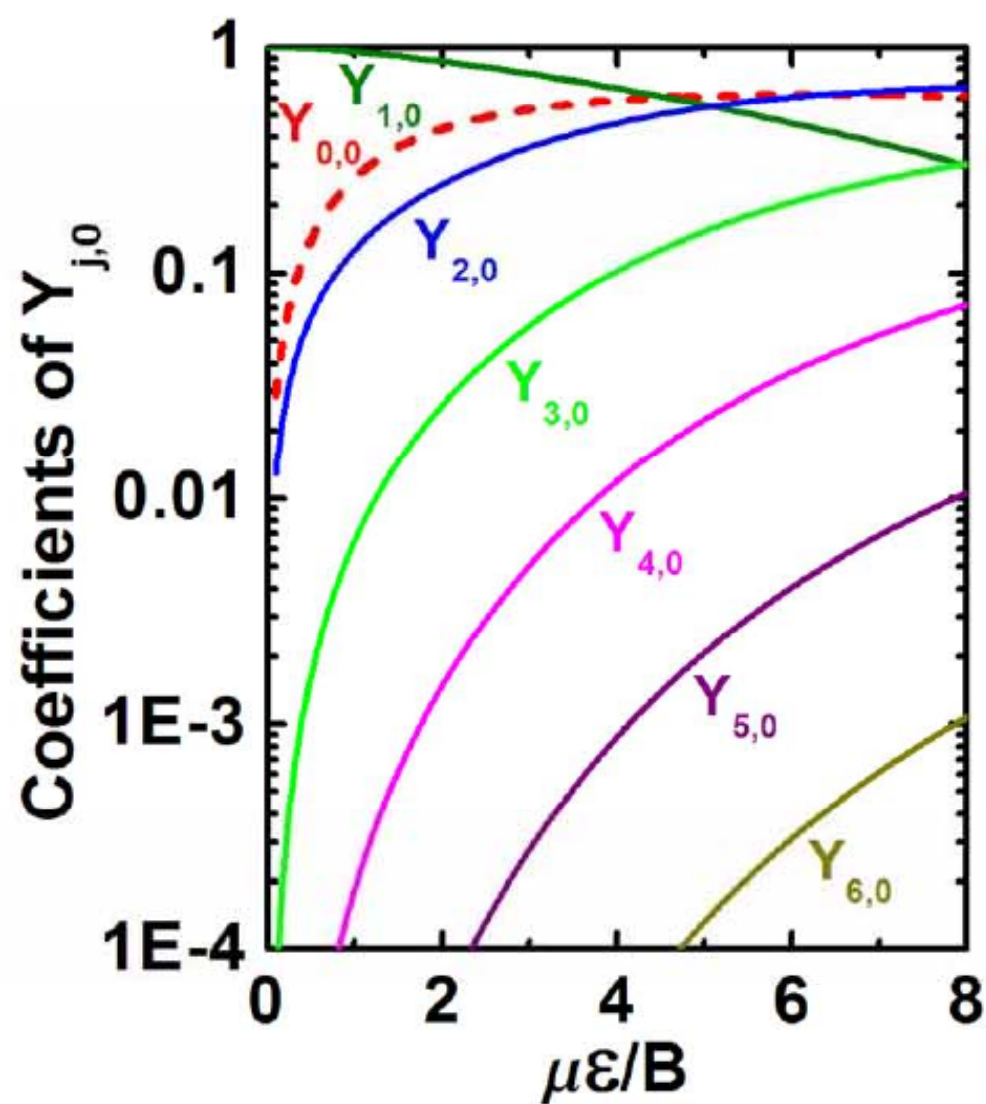


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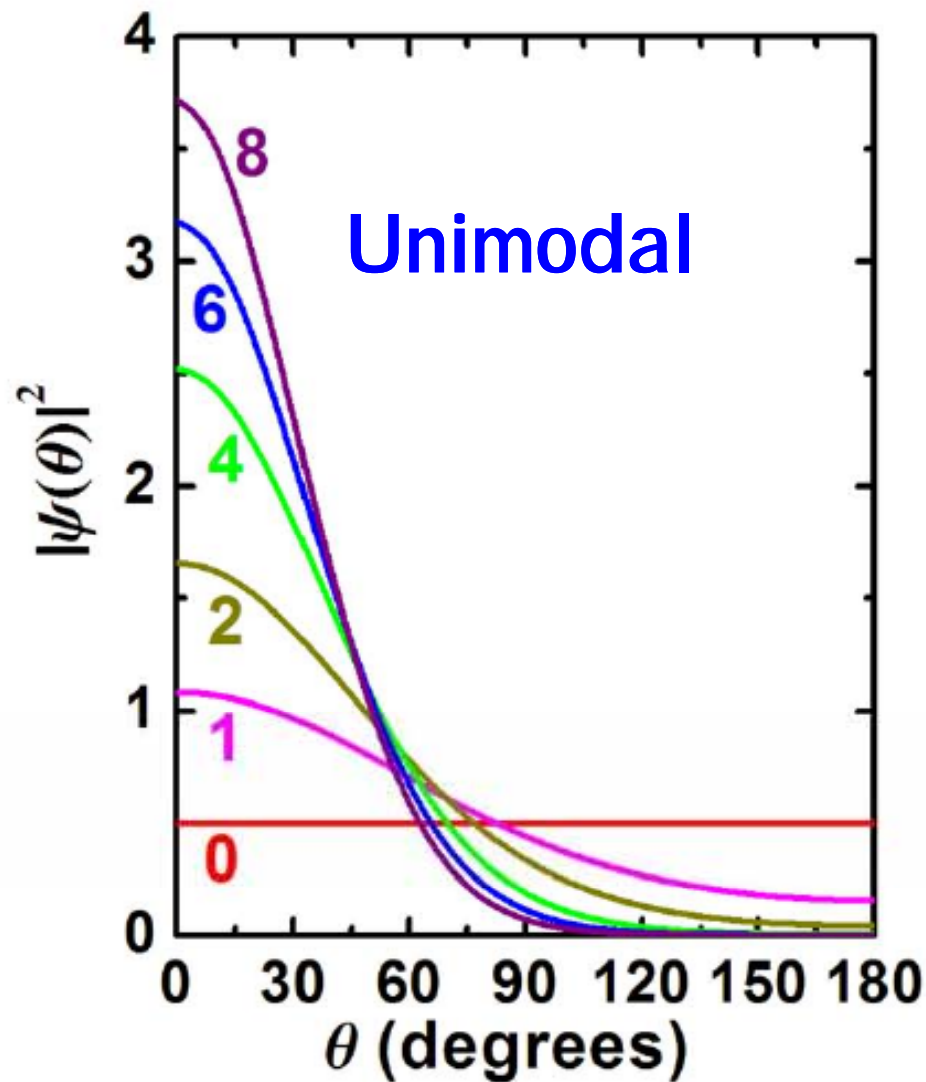


$|0\rangle$

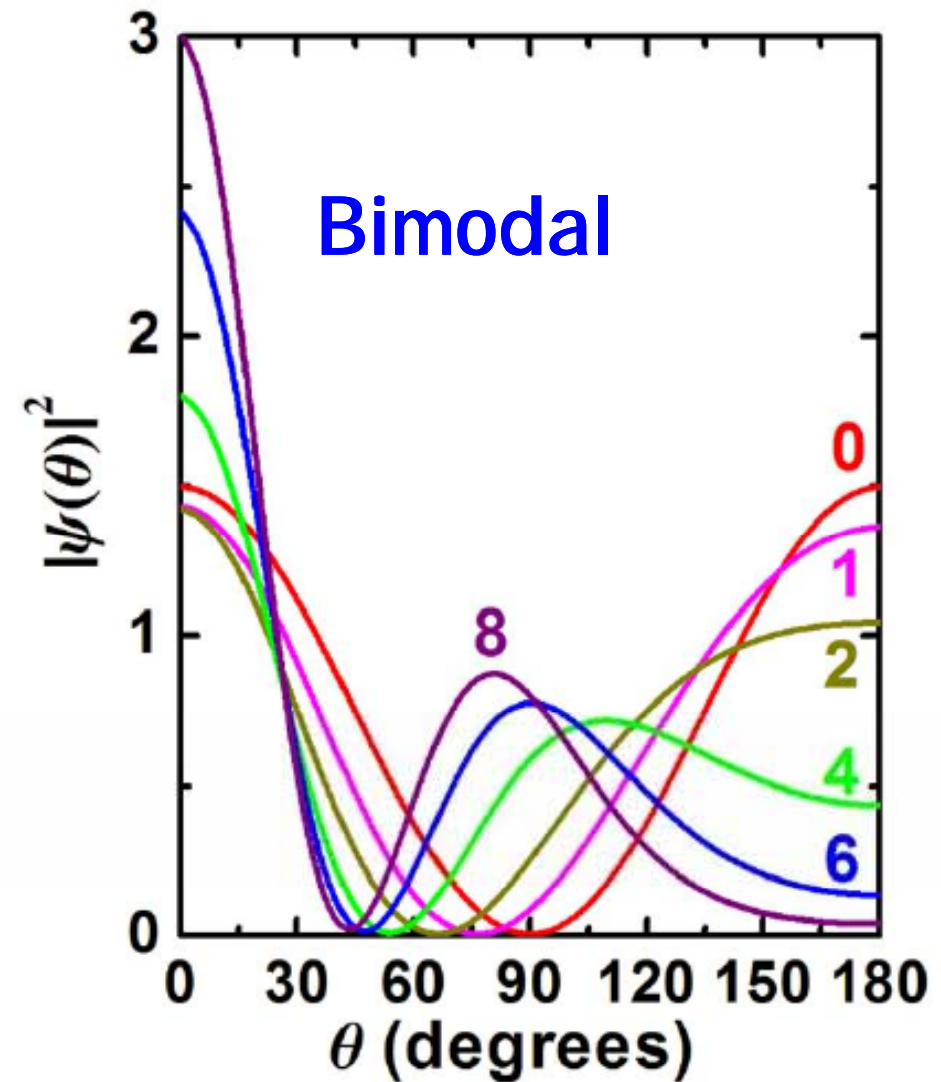


$|1\rangle$

# Angular distributions of the pendular qubits

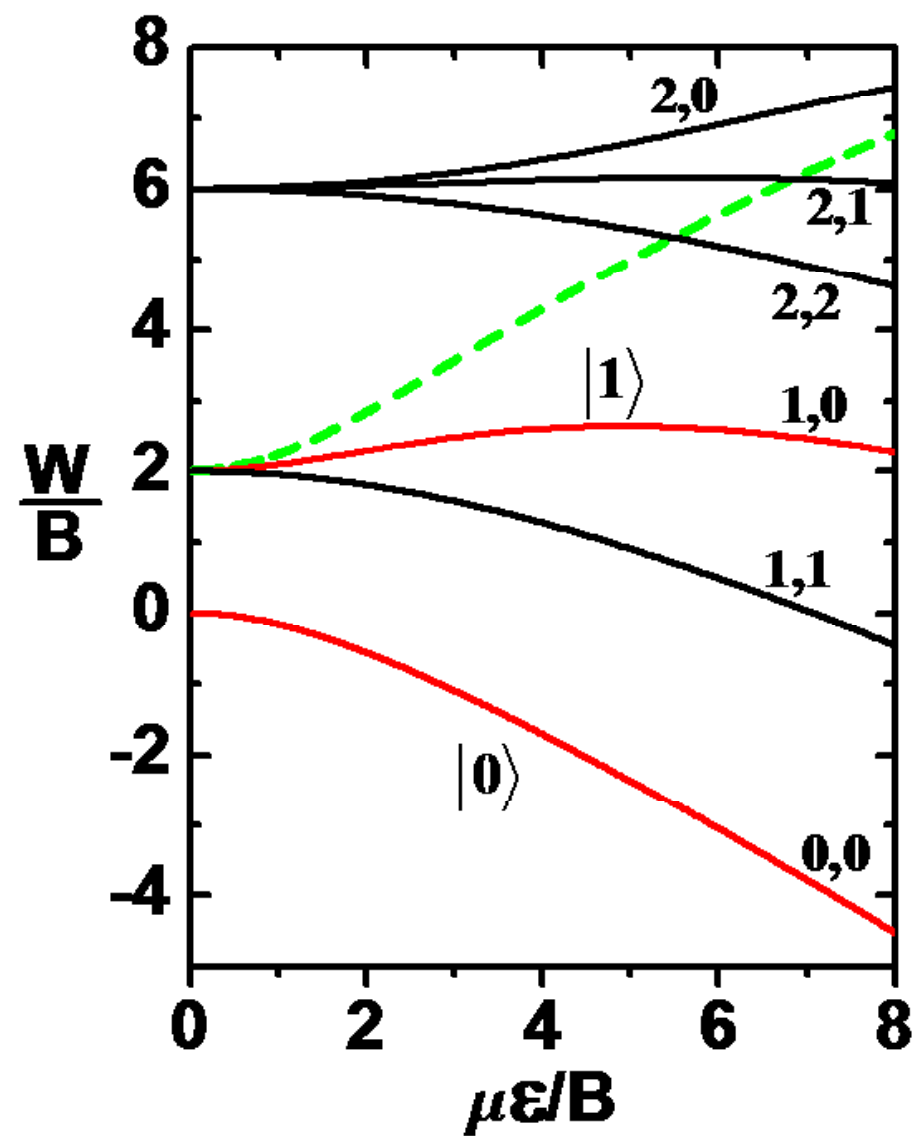


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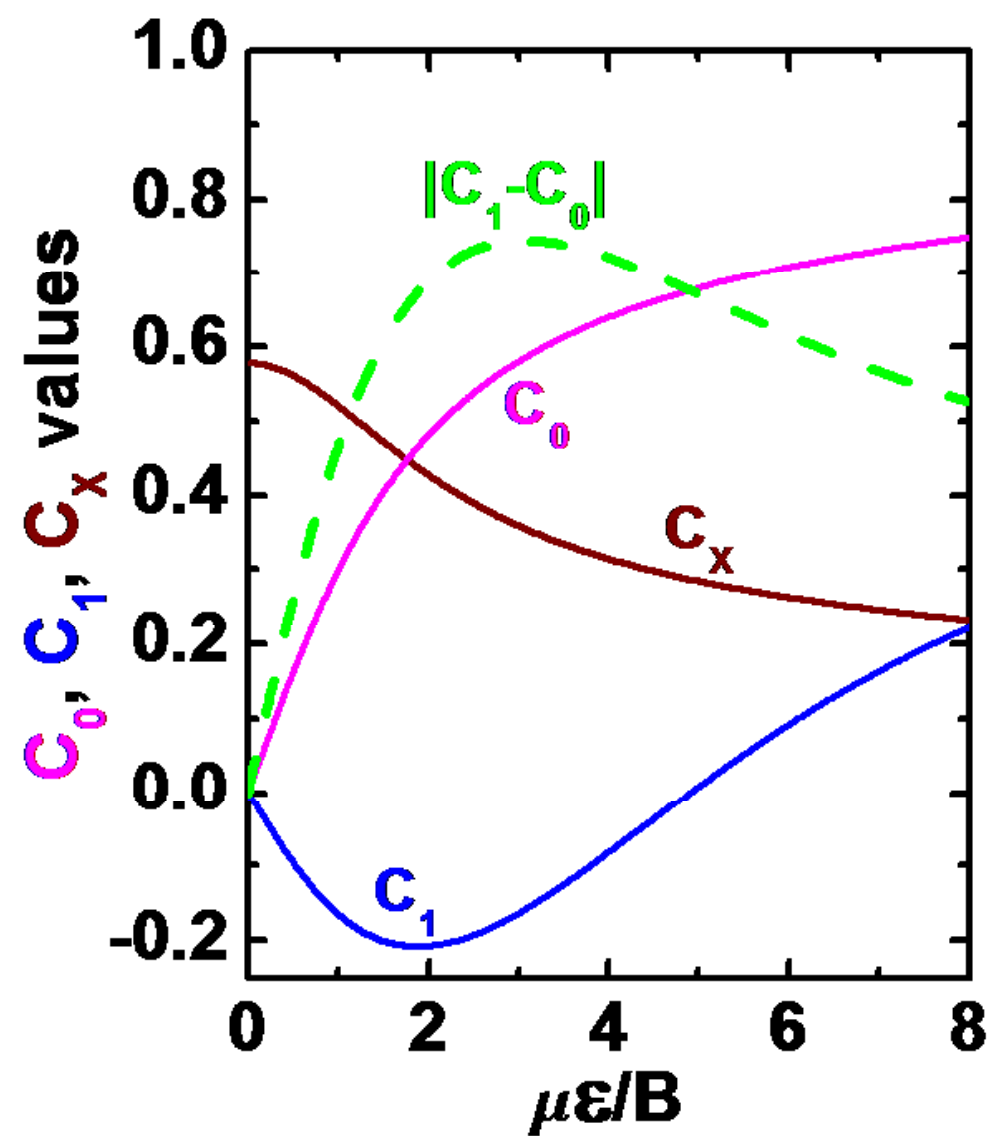


$|1\rangle$

Angular distributions of the  $|0\rangle$  and  $|1\rangle$  pendular states for values of  $\mu\epsilon/B$  between 0 and 8.



(a)



(b)

# Quantify Entanglement

## Entanglement of Formation

We calculate the entanglement of formation,

$$E(\rho) = \mathcal{E}(C(\rho))$$

which characterizes the amount of entanglement needed in order to prepare a state described by a density matrix

$$\rho_A = \text{Tr}_B(\rho), \quad \rho = |\phi\rangle\langle\phi|$$

Concurrence is the simply expression of Entanglement

$$\mathcal{E} = h\left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{1 - C^2}}{2}\right) \quad h(x) = -x \log_2 x - (1 - x) \log_2 (1 - x)$$

$$\tilde{\rho} = (\sigma_y \otimes \sigma_y) \rho^* (\sigma_y \otimes \sigma_y) \quad R \equiv \sqrt{\sqrt{\rho} \tilde{\rho} \sqrt{\rho}}$$

$$C(\rho) = \max\{0, \lambda_1 - \lambda_2 - \lambda_3 - \lambda_4\}$$

**W. K. Wootters, Phys. Rev. Lett. 80, 2245 (1998)**

# Recipe for Concurrence

*A Measure of Pairwise Entanglement*

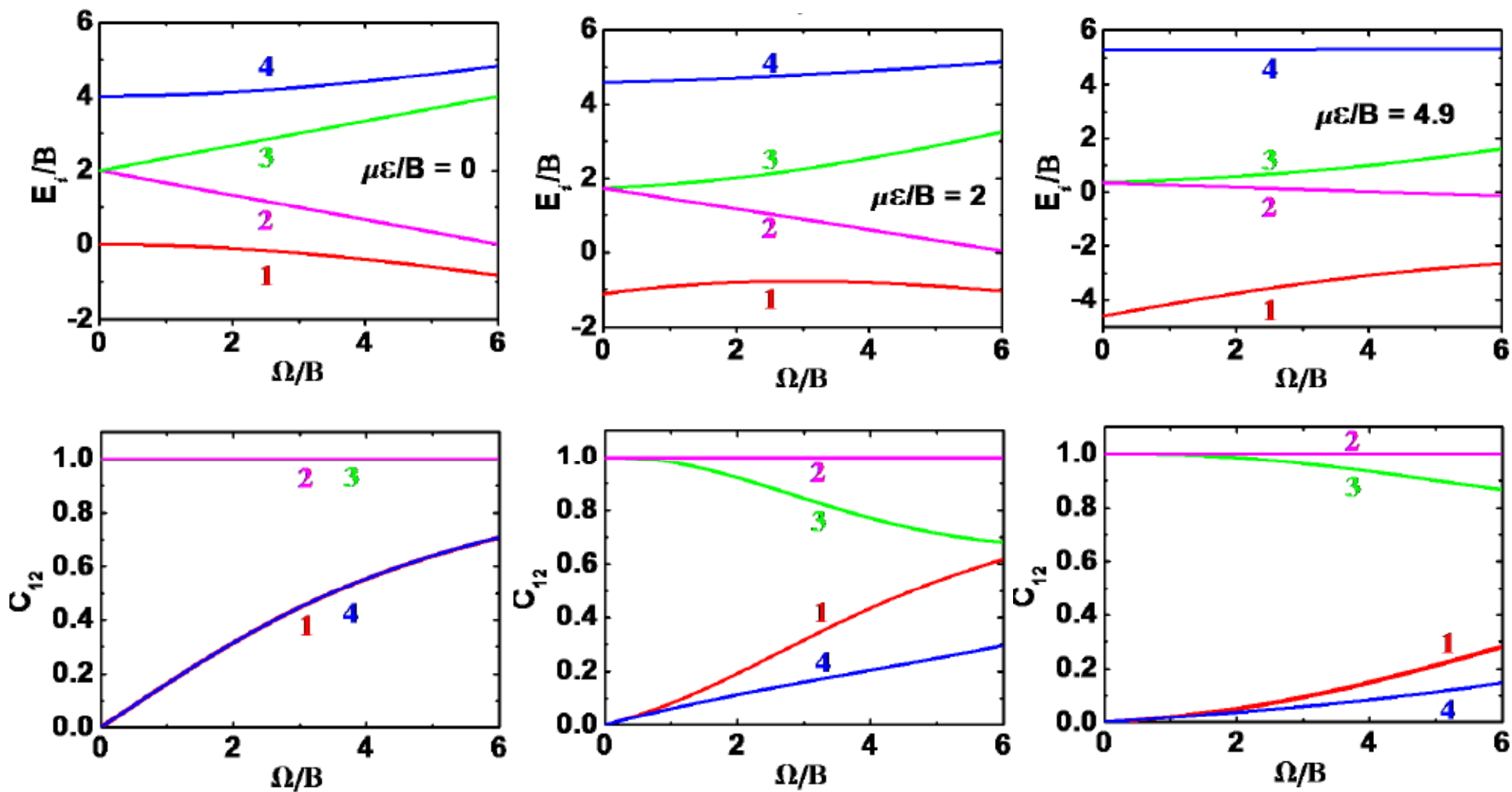
$C = 0$  means no entanglement

$C = 1$  means maximum entanglement

1. Construct **density matrix**,  $\rho$
2. Construct **flipped density matrix**,  $\tilde{\rho}$
3. Construct **product matrix**,  $\rho\tilde{\rho}$
4. Find **eigenvalues**  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots$  of  $\rho\tilde{\rho}$
5. Calculate **Concurrence** from square roots of eigenvalues via

$$C = \max[0, \sqrt{\lambda_1} - \sqrt{\lambda_2} - \dots]$$

# Pairwise Concurrences

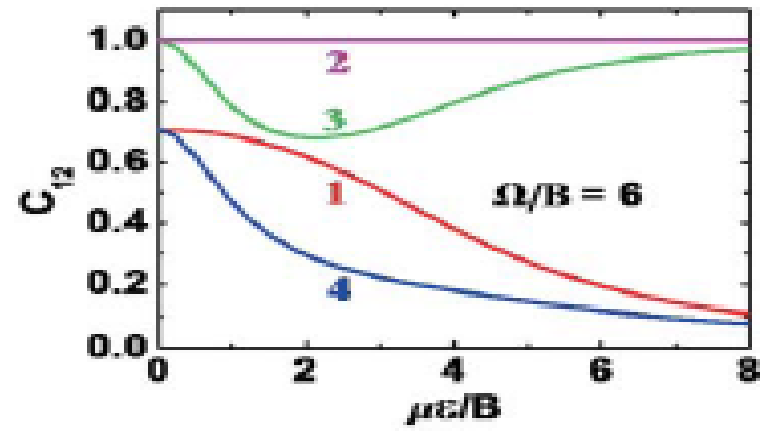
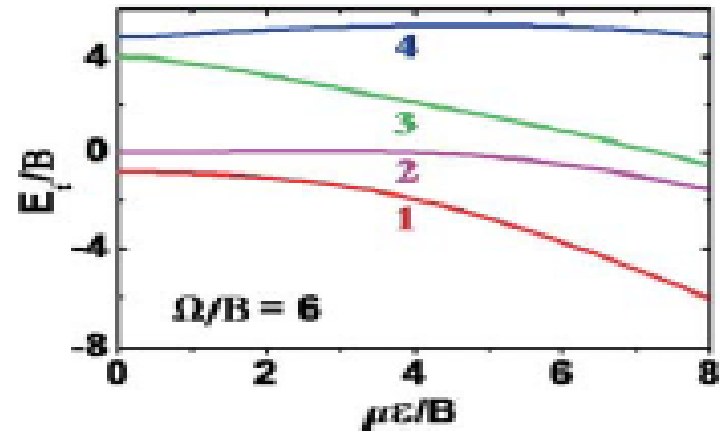
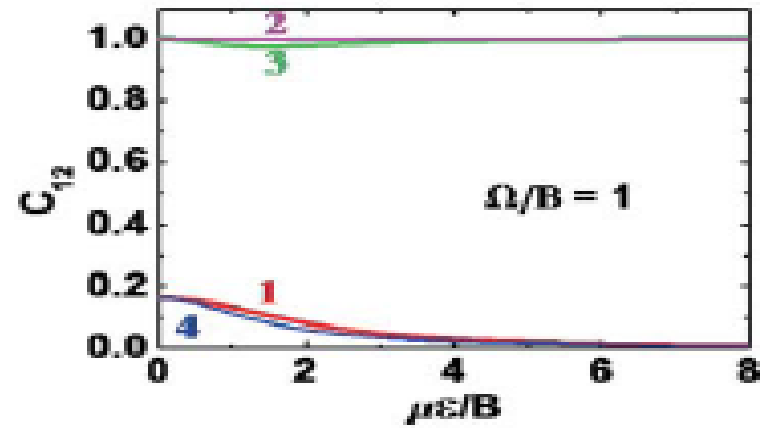
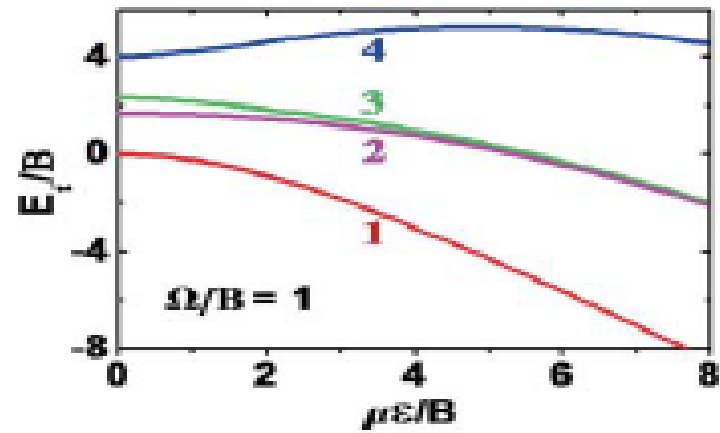
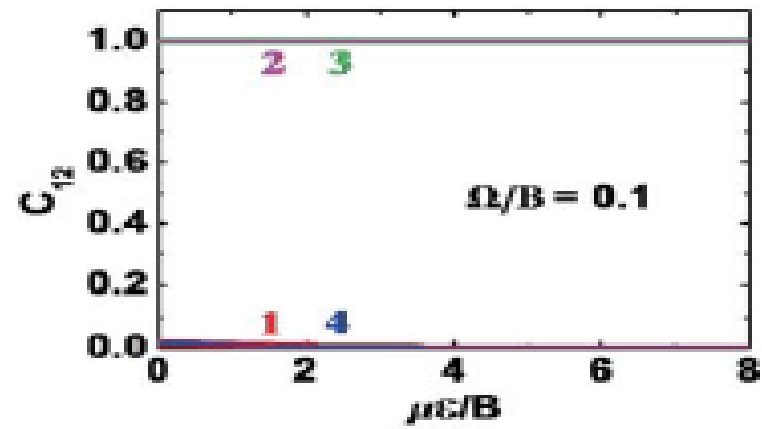
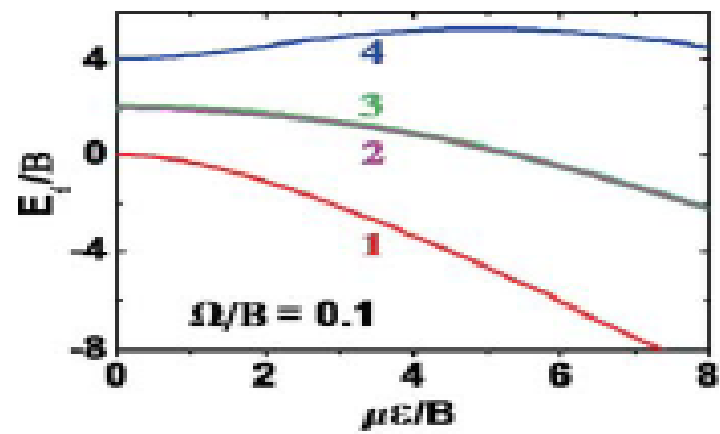


## Using a basis of Bell states:

$$\frac{|11\rangle + |00\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad \frac{|11\rangle - |00\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad \frac{|10\rangle + |01\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad \frac{|10\rangle - |01\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$H_{S1} + H_{S2} = \begin{pmatrix} W_+ & W_- & | & 0 & 0 \\ W_- & W_+ & | & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & | & W_+ & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & | & 0 & W_+ \end{pmatrix}, \quad V_{d-d} = \Omega(1 - 3\cos^2\alpha) \begin{pmatrix} \hat{A}_+ & \hat{B} & \hat{C}_+ & | & 0 \\ \hat{B} & \hat{A}_- & \hat{C}_- & | & 0 \\ \hat{C}_+ & \hat{C}_- & \hat{D}_+ & | & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & | & \hat{D}_- \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $W_{\pm} = W_1 \pm W_0$ ,  $\hat{A}_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2}(C_1^2 + C_0^2) \pm C_X^2$ ,  $\hat{B} = \frac{1}{2}(C_1^2 - C_0^2)$ ,  $\hat{C}_{\pm} = C_X(C_1 \pm C_0)$ , and  $\hat{D}_{\pm} = C_1 C_0 \pm C_X^2$ .



. Eigenenergies and concurrences for the four eigenstates for two dipoles as a function of reduced variables,  $\mu\epsilon/B$  for electric field and  $\Omega/B$  for dipole–dipole coupling.



# Superposition Basis Set

- The new basis set is defined as

$$\uparrow = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle); \quad \downarrow = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle)$$

- The new basis set arrangement

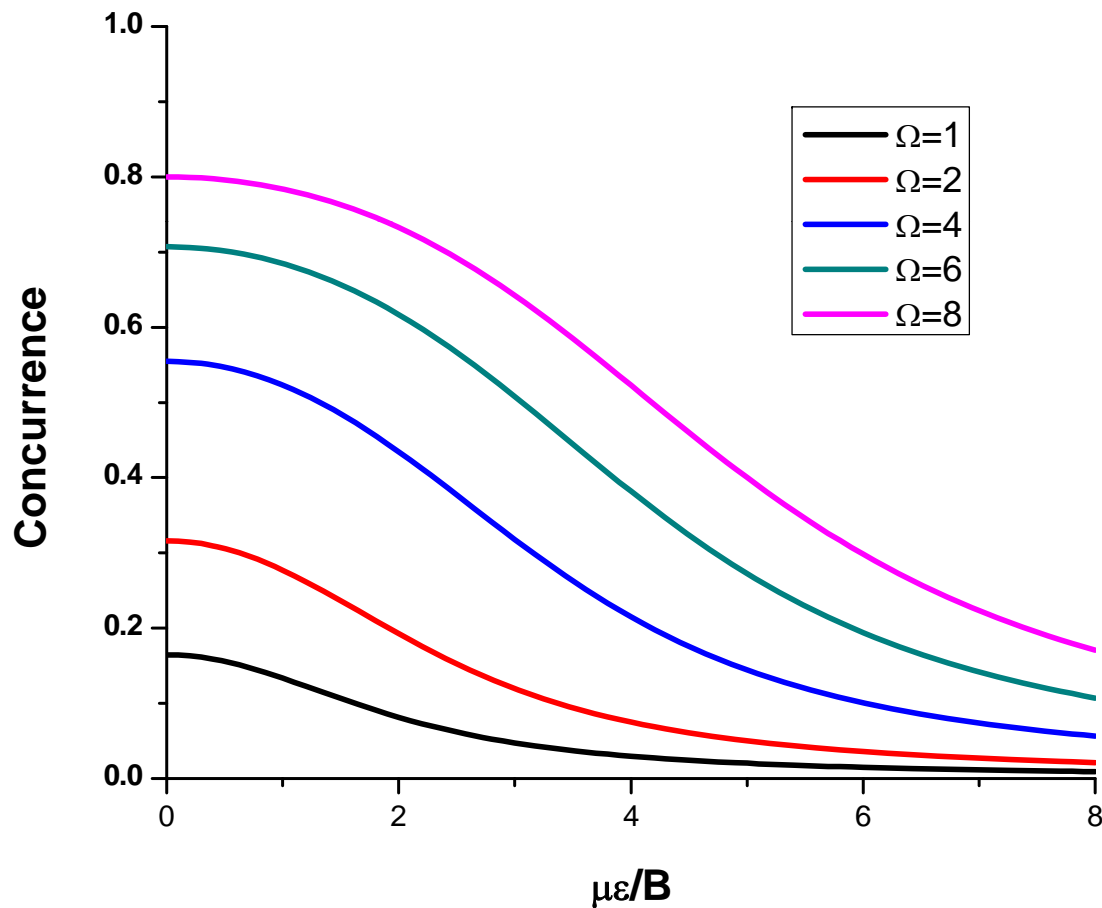
$$(\uparrow\uparrow \quad \uparrow\downarrow \quad \downarrow\uparrow \quad \downarrow\downarrow)$$

Dan Elliott and Yong Chen (EE and Physics, Purdue)

Investigate superposition of ultracold

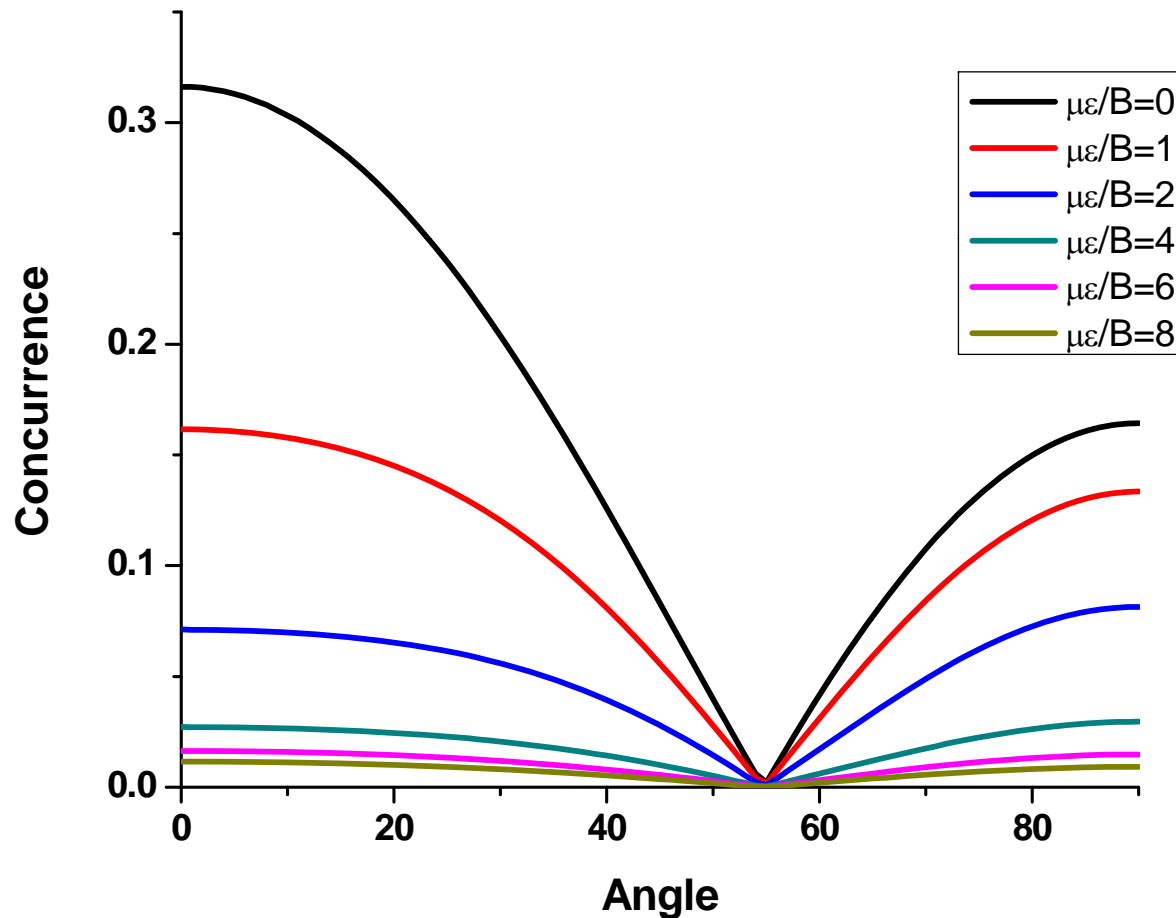
LiRb molecules

# Concurrence v.s. $\mu/B$ & $\Omega$



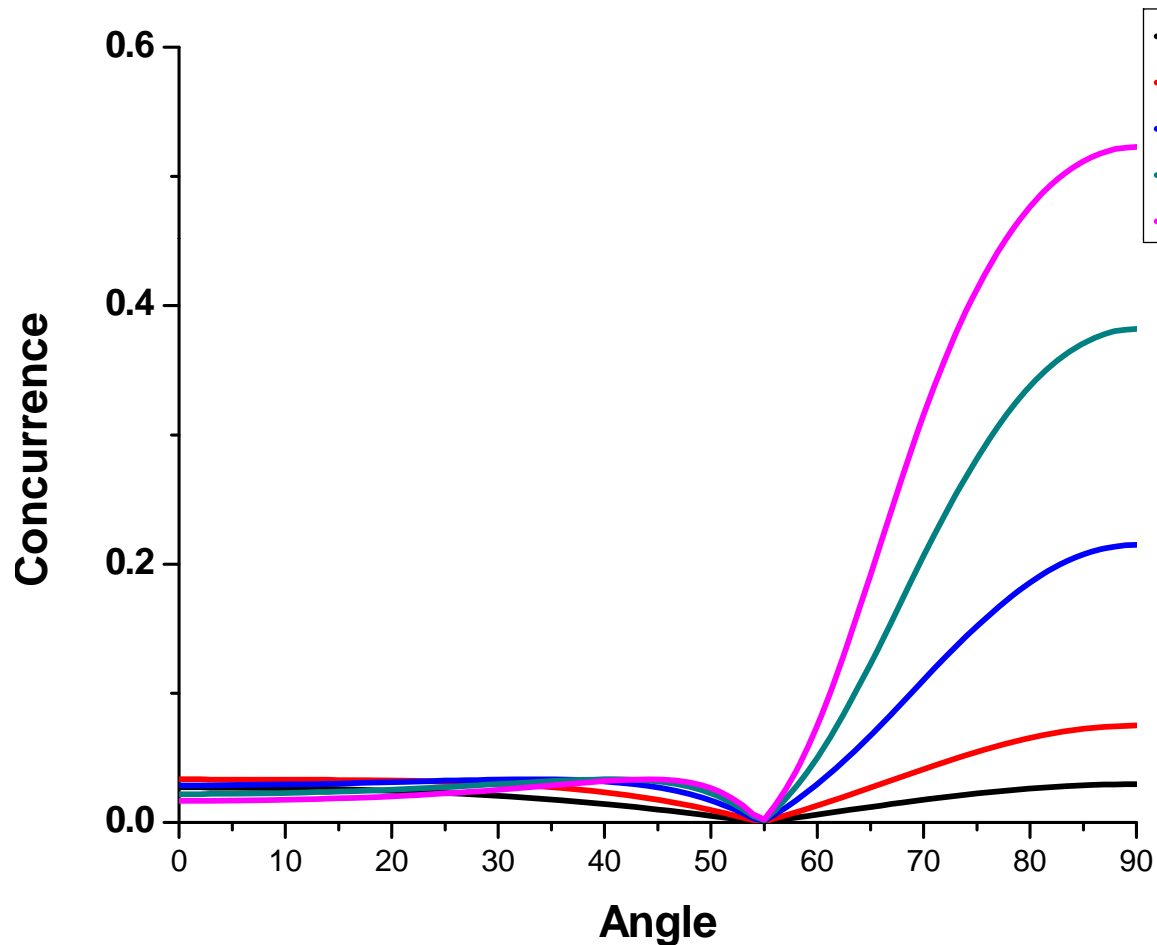
- The ground state entanglement decreases when  $\mu/B$  increases.
- The ground state entanglement increased as the coupling constant  $\Omega$  increases ( $\alpha=90^\circ$ )

# Concurrence v.s. $\alpha$ & $\mu / B$



- There is a magic angle (54.74 degrees) where no entanglement exists.
- Before the magic angle, the entanglement decreases. Beyond that, the entanglement increases.
- Similar to the previous one, the entanglement decreases when the external electric fields increases ( $\Omega=1$ )

# Concurrence v.s. $\alpha$ & $\Omega$



- The entanglement stays at almost zero before the magic angle. While that increases fast beyond the magic angle.
- When  $\Omega$  becomes large, the increase of the entanglement becomes faster. ( $\mu / B=4$ )

## Thermal Entanglement

In order to evaluate thermal entanglement, we need a temperature dependent density matrix,  $\rho = \exp(-\beta H)/Z(T)$ , with  $\beta = 1/k_B T$  and  $Z(T)$  the partition function

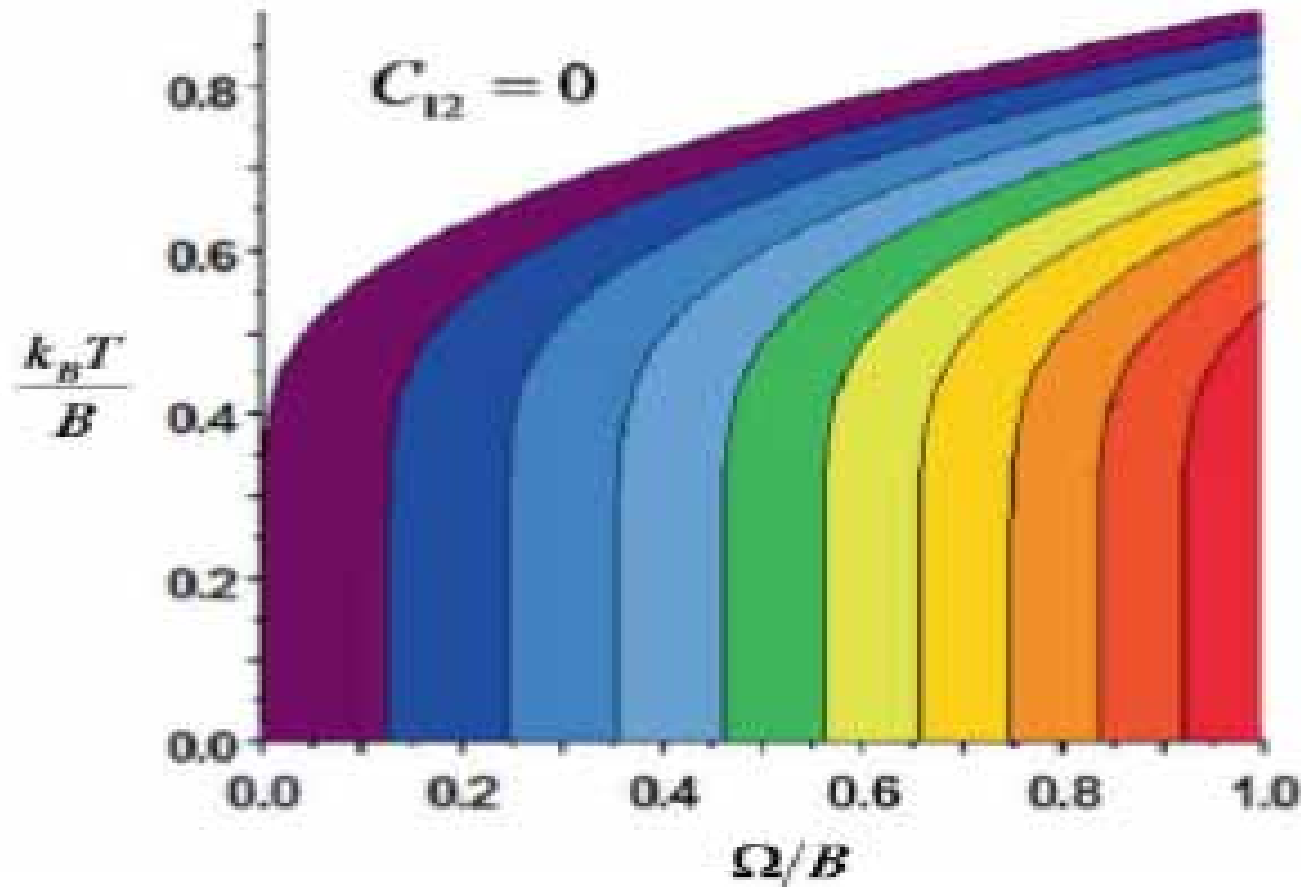
$$Z(T) = \text{tr}[\exp(-\beta H)] = \sum_i g_i e^{-\beta E_i},$$

with  $E_i$  the  $i$ th eigenvalue and  $g_i$  its degeneracy. Hence the density matrix can be written as

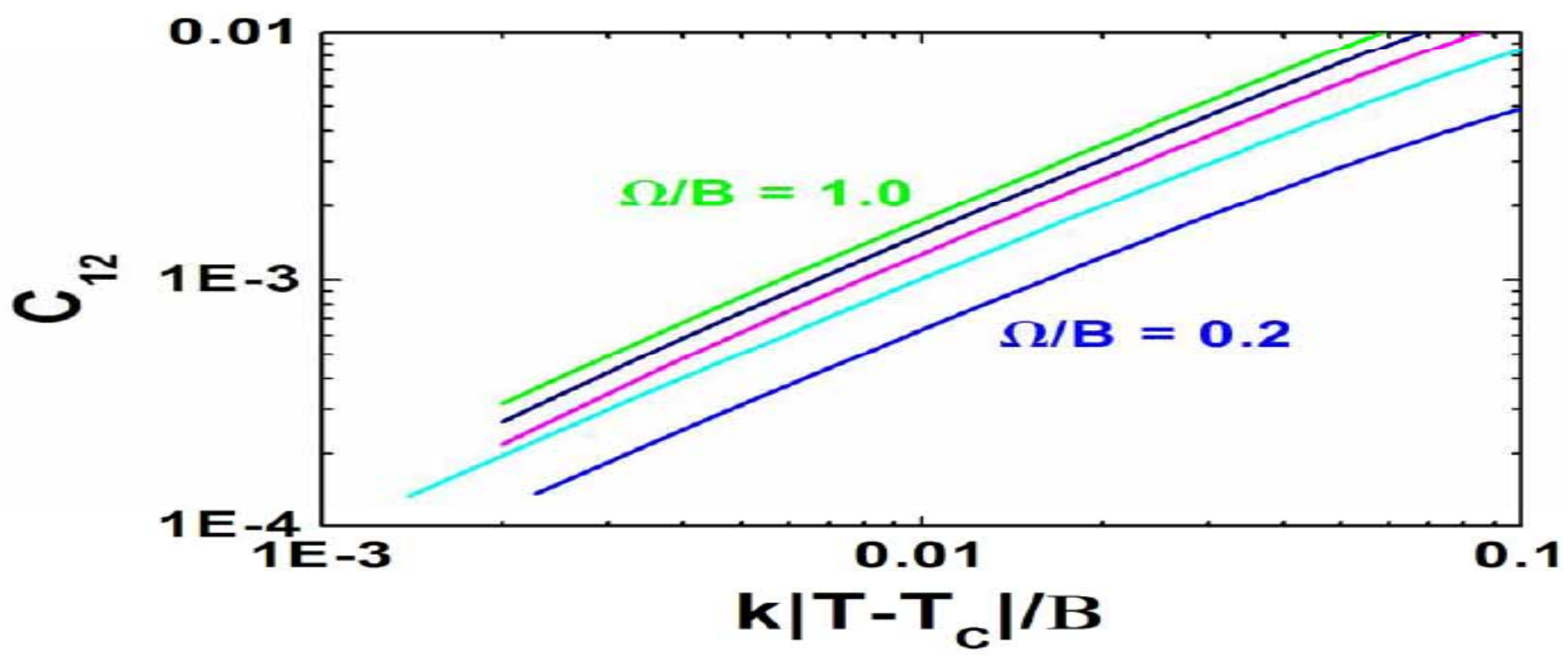
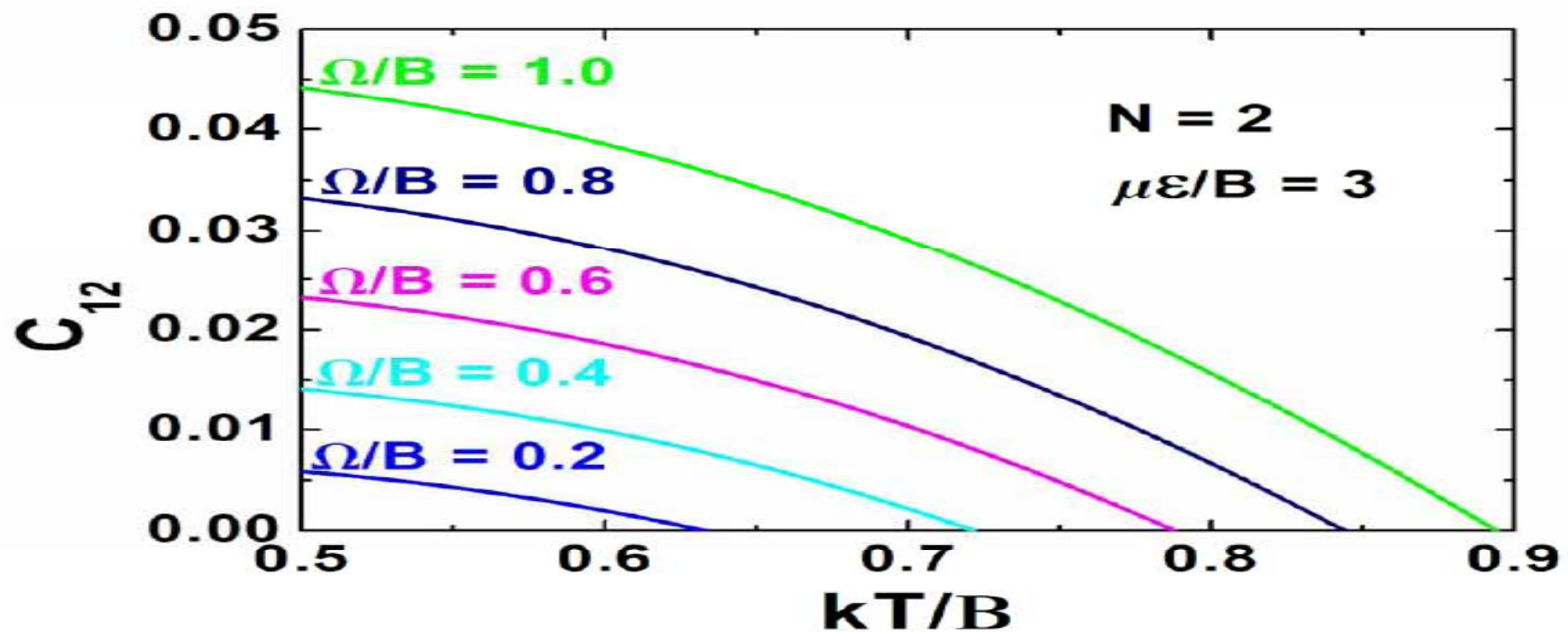
$$\rho(T) = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_i^N e^{-\beta E_i} |\Psi_i\rangle \langle \Psi_i|,$$

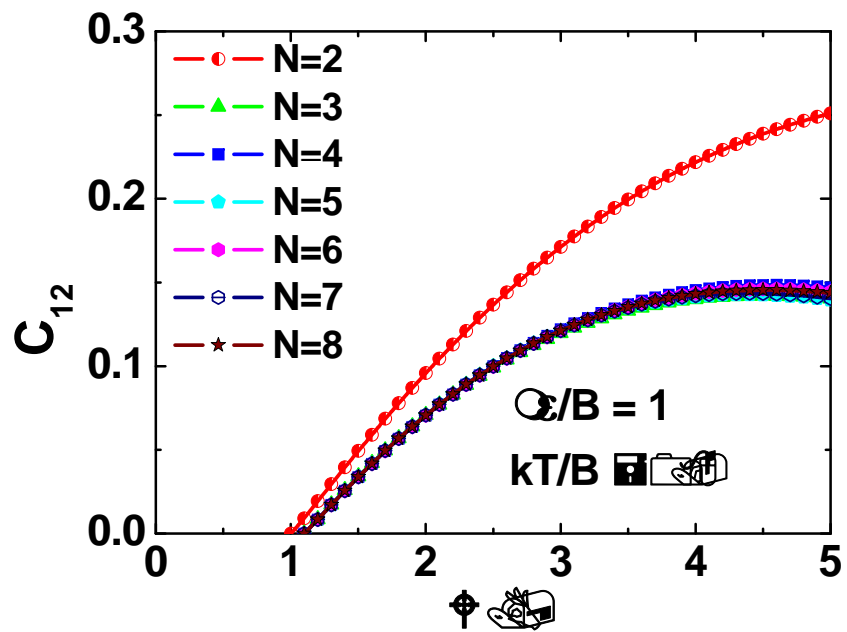
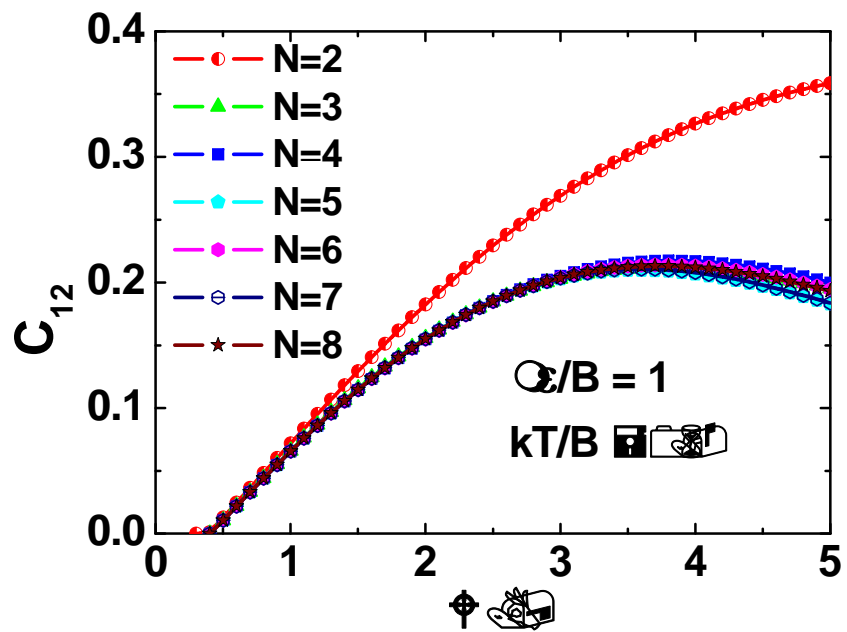
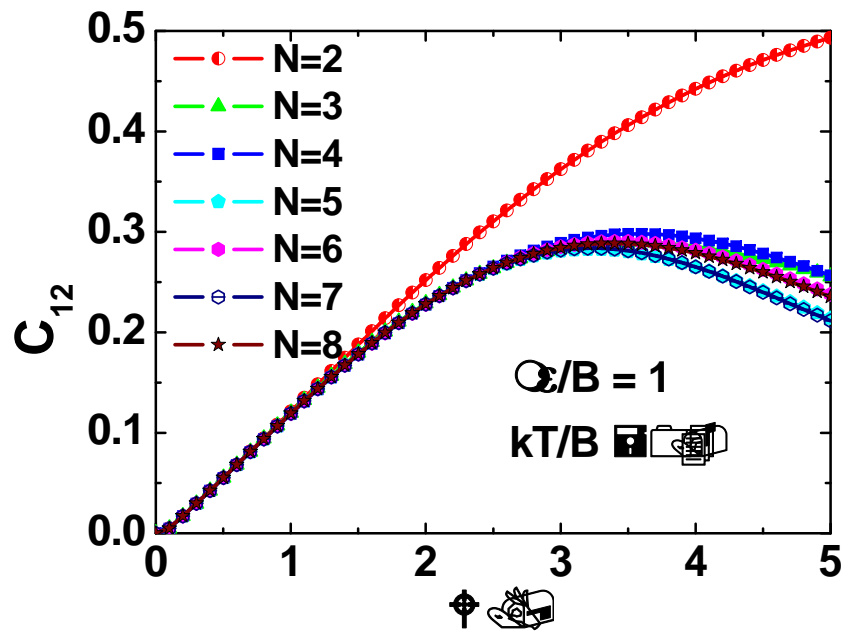
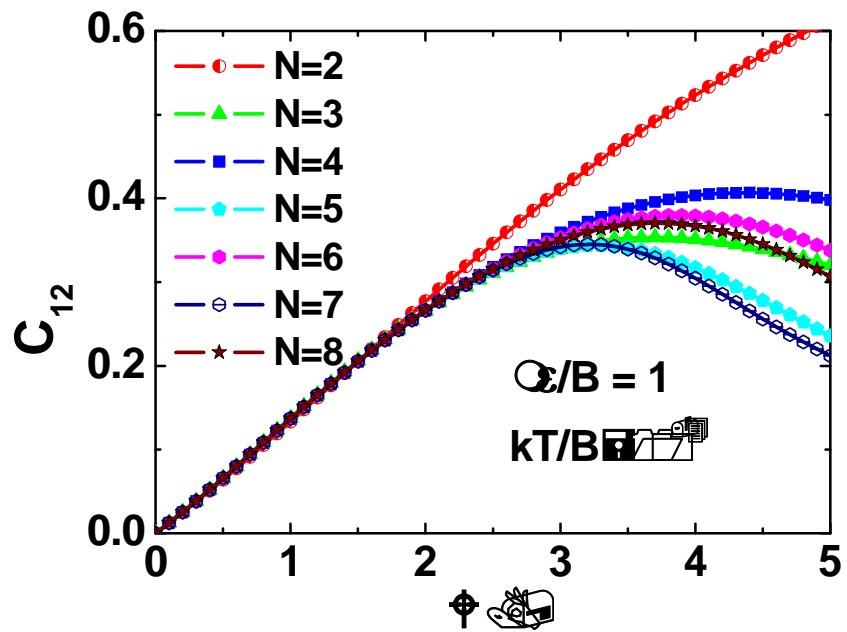
where  $|\Psi_i\rangle$  is the  $i$ th eigenfunction. From the density matrix  $\rho(T)$ , we can obtain the reduced density matrix for any pair of dipoles and thence evaluate the concurrence at any temperature.

# Thermal Pairwise Concurrence

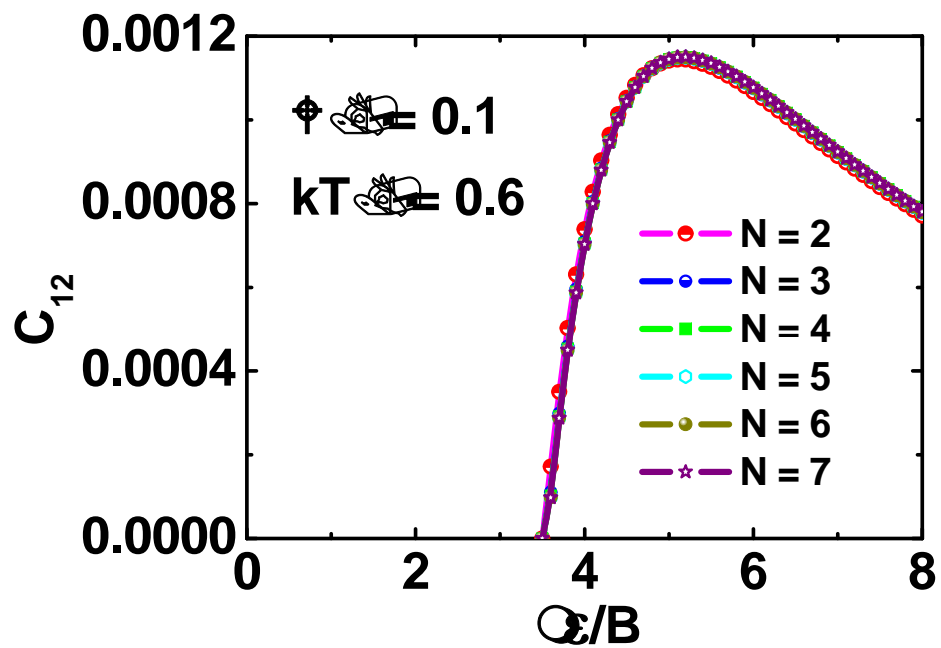
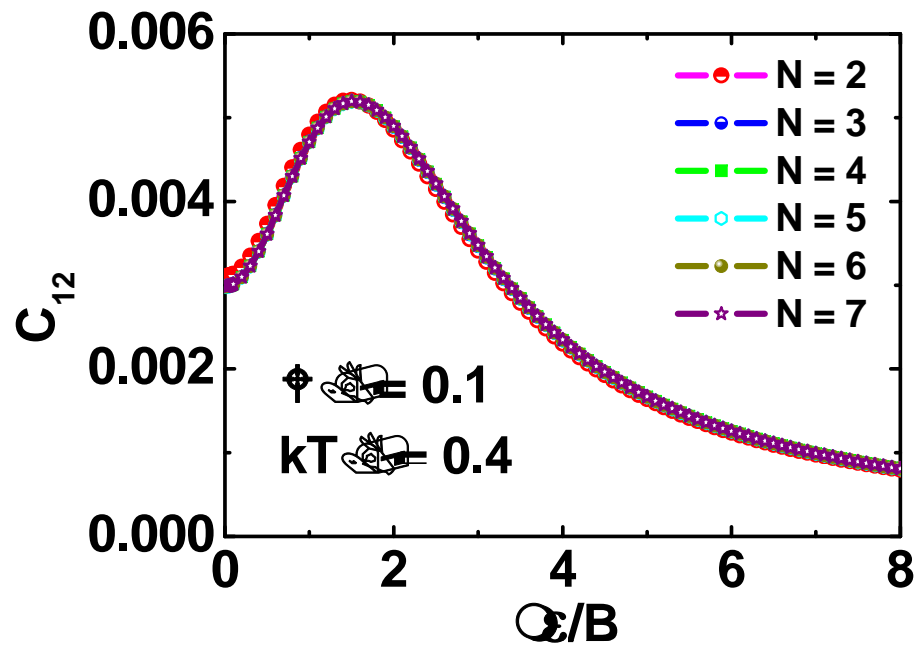
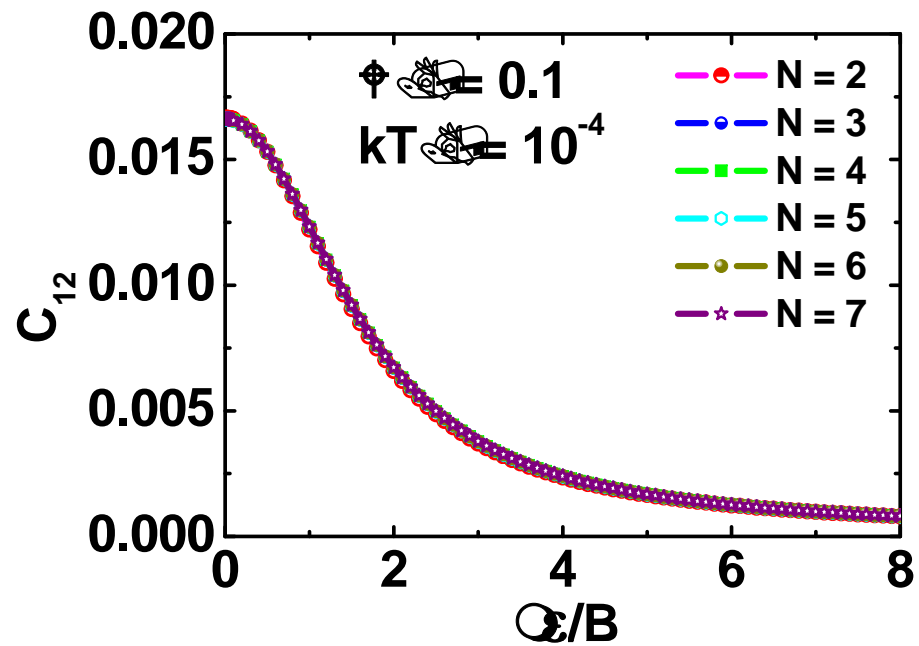


Contour plot of thermal pairwise concurrence for two dipoles, for  $\mu e/B = 3$ . For  $0 < \Omega/B < 1$ , the maximum concurrence  $C_{12}(\text{max}) = 0.0473$ , occurs at  $T = 0$ ,  $\Omega/B = 1$ . The plot displays normalized contours. Within each colored band, the variation of  $C_{12}/C_{12}(\text{max})$  is 0.1; thus, the normalized concurrence in the right most band (red) ranges from 0.9 to 1, and in the next band (orange red), from 0.8 to 0.9, etc. A striking feature is the large region (uncolored) where  $C_{12} = 0$ . There, entanglement does not occur unless the dipole–dipole coupling exceeds a critical value dependent on the temperature.









# Dynamics of Entanglement of Polar Molecules in Pendular States

- Quantum Liouville equation

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} = -\frac{i}{\hbar} [H, \rho]$$

$$\hbar = 1$$

$\rho$  ~ density matrix of the system

# Objective

Investigate the dynamics of entanglement of the dipoles system under different initial conditions: external electric field, dipole-dipole coupling constant and the angle between external field and the dipole chain.

# Experimental parameters

**External field :**  $\varepsilon \sim$  a few  $kV/cm$

**Trap temperatures**  $\leq \mu K \Rightarrow k_B T/B \sim 10^{-5} - 10^{-6} \Rightarrow$  **Ground**

**Space of optical lattice**  $r = \lambda/2$  **and**  $\lambda \sim 0.3 - 1 \mu m \Rightarrow \Omega/B \leq 10^{-4}$

**SrO :**  $\mu = 8.9 D, B = 0.33 cm^{-1}, \lambda = 1 \mu m \Rightarrow \Omega/B \sim 10^{-5}$

**When**  $\Omega/B \leq 10^{-4}, C_{12} \sim 10^{-5}$

**Potential candidate molecules: KCs, CsI, SrO, ...**

**The key aspect is that although entanglement needs to be large for some quantum computing algorithms, it need not be appreciable or even present in the ground eigenstate of the system; it can be induced dynamically during operation of the computer**

## The Simulation Procedure

- Five different initial conditions:

$$|00\rangle, |11\rangle, |10\rangle, |11\rangle, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle) \text{ and } \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle + |10\rangle)$$

- Relationship between concurrence & external electric fields ( $\mu / B$ )
  - we set  $\Omega=5$  &  $\alpha=90^\circ$
- Concurrence verses coupling constant ( $\Omega$ )
  - The other coefficients are  $\mu / B=3$  &  $\alpha=90^\circ$
- Concurrence verses Angle ( $\alpha$ )
  - The other coefficients are  $\mu / B=3$  &  $\Omega =3$

# Units

- H is the Hamiltonian with the unitless parameters  $\mu/B$  and  $\Omega/B$ . The rotational constant B is dealt as the basic unit in the Hamiltonian.

$$\mu\varepsilon/B = 0.0168 \mu(\text{Debye})\varepsilon(\text{kV/cm})/B(\text{cm}^{-1}),$$

$$\Omega/B = 5.04 \times 10^{-9} \mu^2(\text{Debye})/r^3(\mu)/B(\text{cm}^{-1}),$$

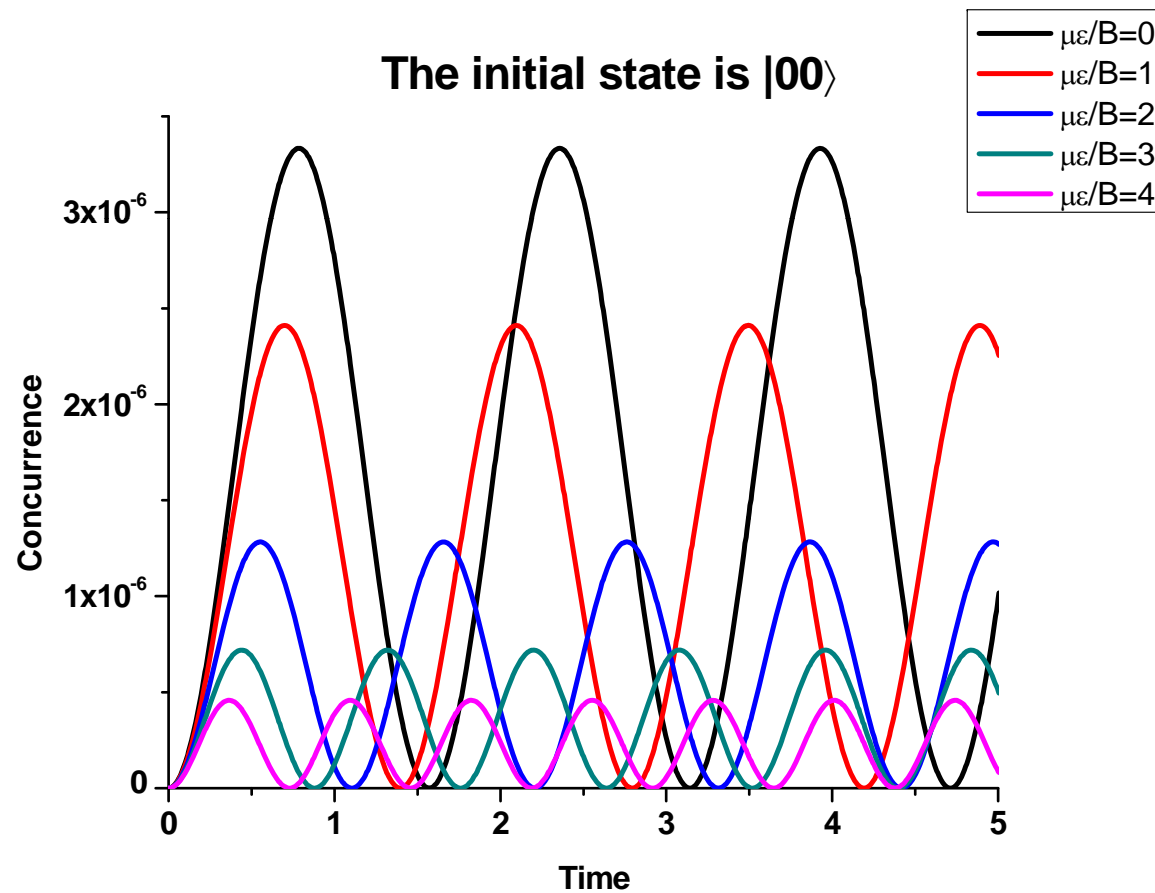
$$k_B T/B = 0.695 T(K)/B(\text{cm}^{-1}).$$

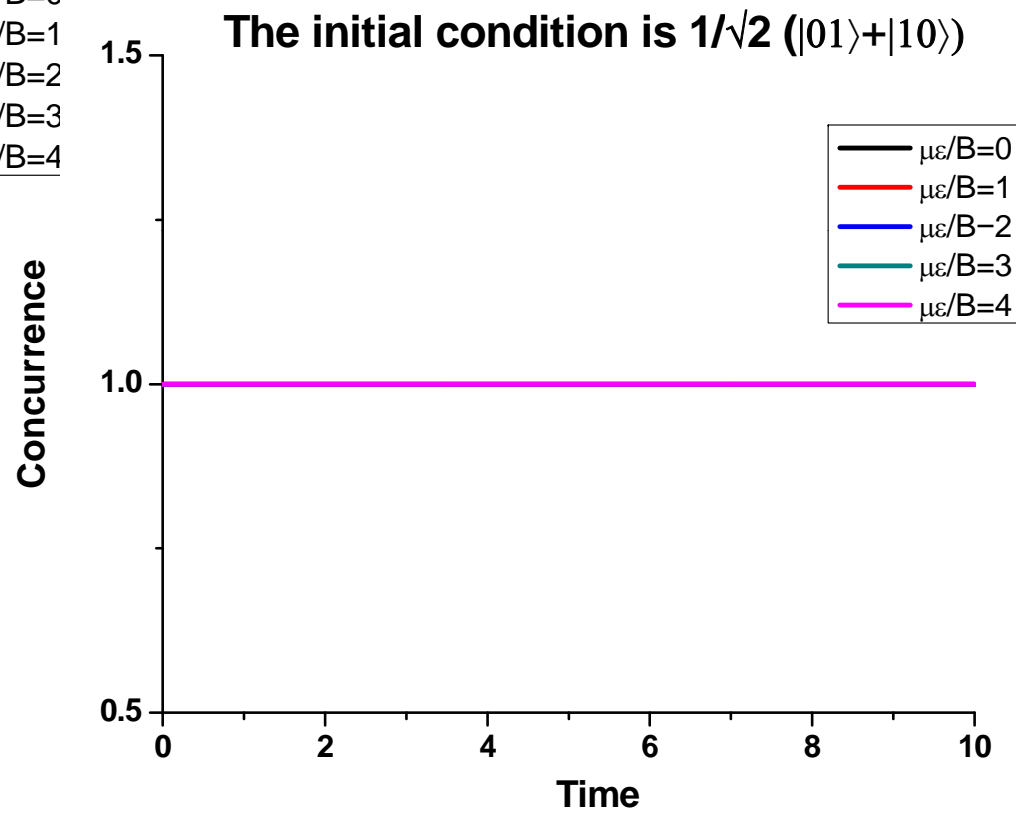
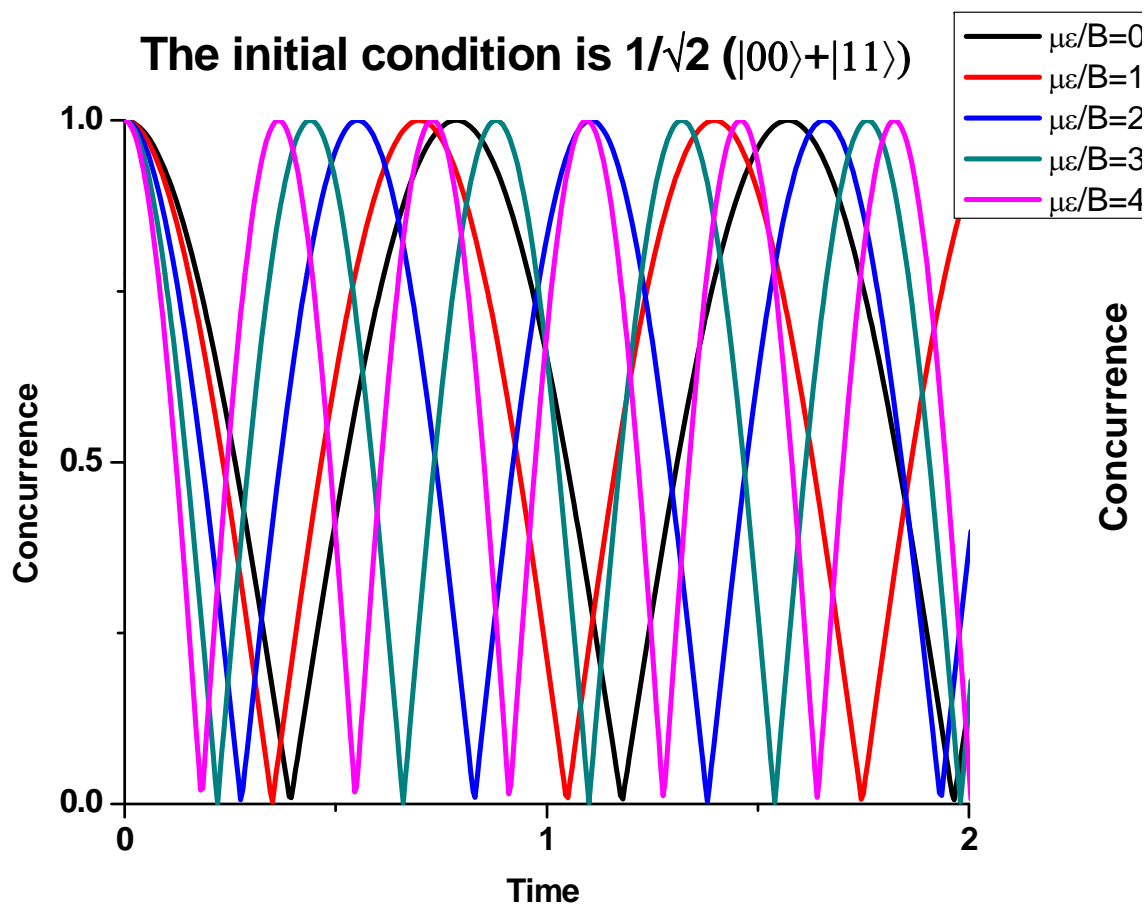
The time scale for the Liouville equation is

$$\frac{\hbar}{B} = \frac{5.3088 \text{ cm}^{-1} \text{ ps}}{0.33 \text{ cm}^{-1}} = 16.1 \text{ ps}$$

- Each time step is equal to **t=1 --> 16ps**

# Relationship between Concurrence & $\mu \varepsilon / B$ ; $\Omega=1E-5$ & $\alpha=90^\circ$







# CNOT Gate

# Gates:

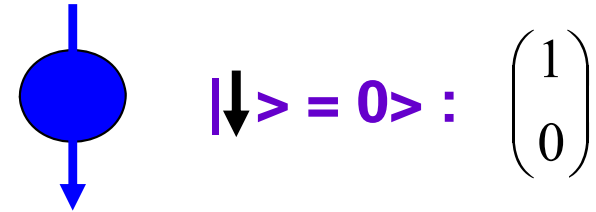
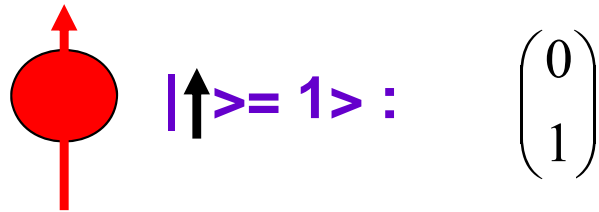
## Classical

Information is encoded in a series of **bits**, and these bits are manipulated via Boolean logic gates arranged in succession to produce an end result.

## Quantum

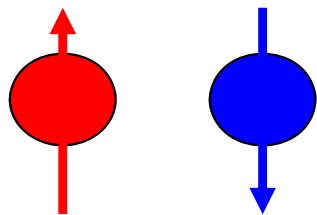
Manipulates **qubits** by executing a series of quantum gates, each a unitary transformation acting on a single qubit or pair of qubits. The qubits can then be measured, with this measurement serving as the final computational result.

# Matrix representation of simple quantum logic gates

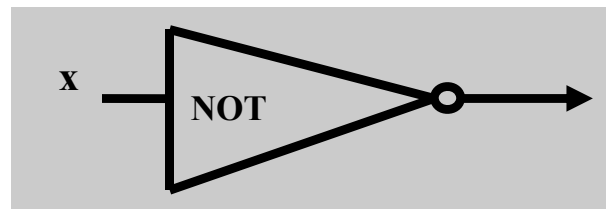


A general unitary transformation is a 2x2 matrix:

$$U_{\theta} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta/2) & \sin(\theta/2) \\ -\sin(\theta/2) & \cos(\theta/2) \end{pmatrix}$$



“NOT” gate

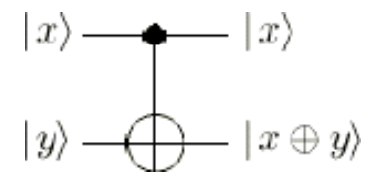


$$U_{\pi} |1\rangle = |0\rangle$$

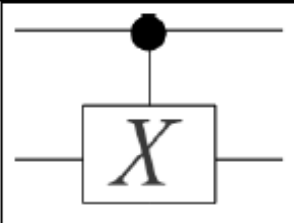
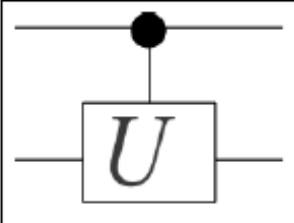
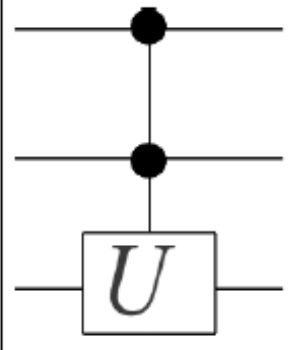


$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

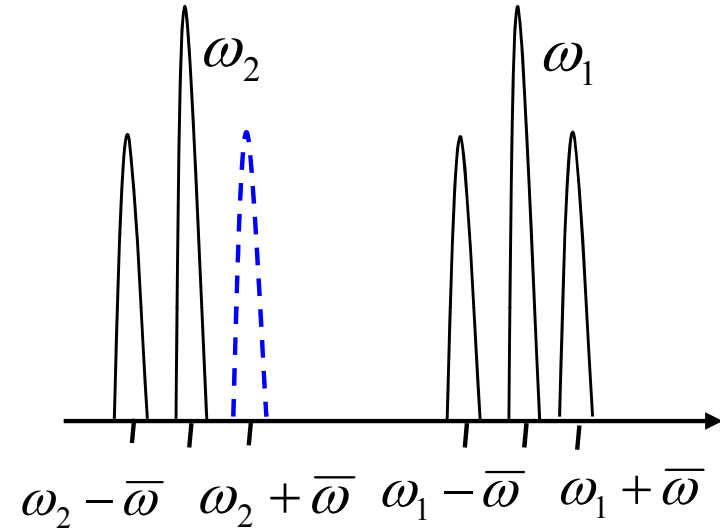
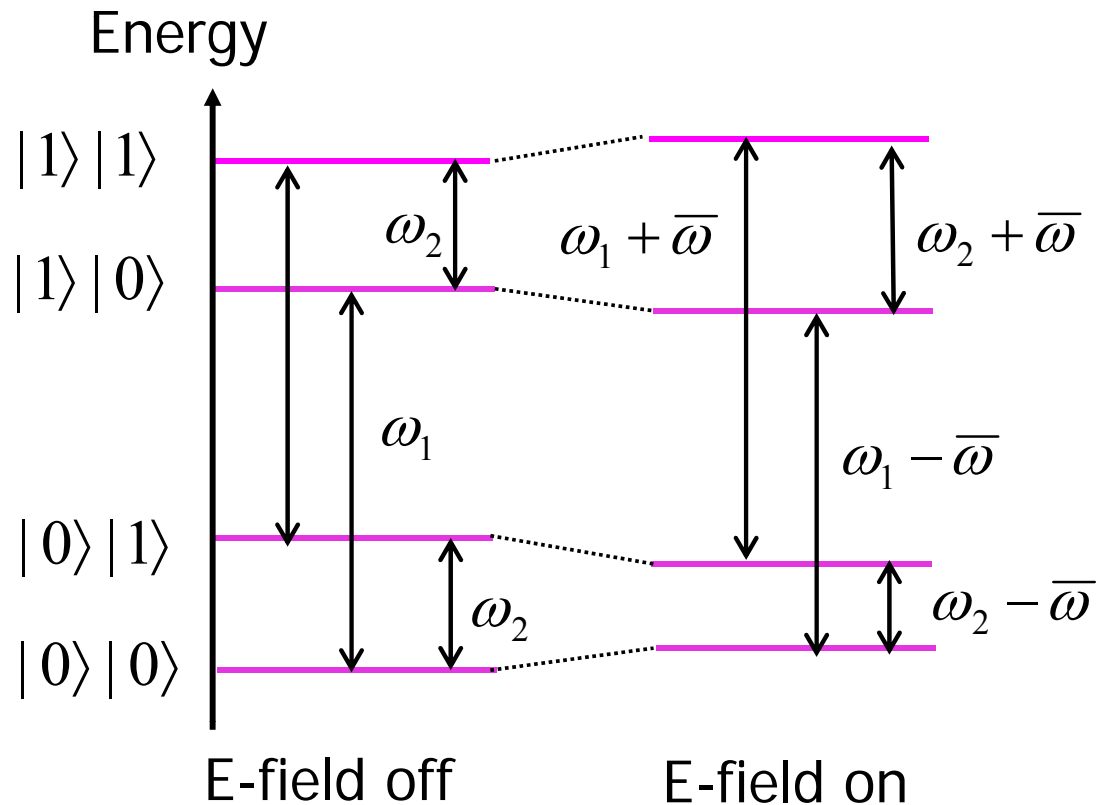
$$\text{CNOT} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Quantum Gates

The name of the gate	The schematic view of the gate	The unitary matrix for the gate
CNOT (Control X)		$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
General control gate		$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & u_{00} & u_{01} \\ 0 & 0 & u_{10} & u_{11} \end{pmatrix}$
Multi control gate		$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & u_{00} & u_{01} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & u_{10} & u_{11} \end{pmatrix}$

# Controlled-NOT Gate



$\pi$ -pulse at  $\omega_2 + \bar{\omega}$

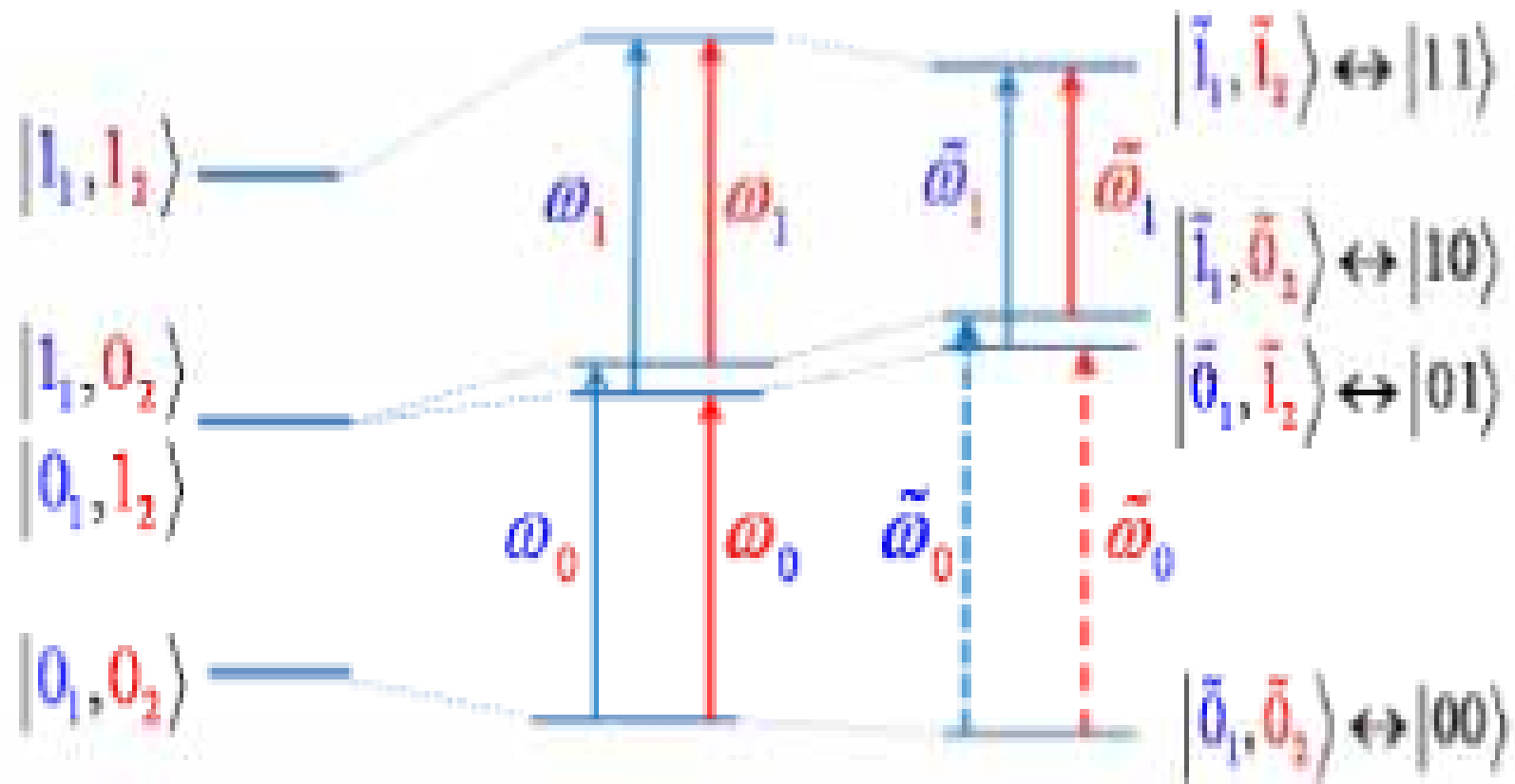
$|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \rightarrow |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle$

$|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle \rightarrow |0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle$

$|1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \rightarrow |1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle$

$|1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle \rightarrow |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle$

# CNOT Gate for Pendular States



# Estimation of Characteristic Values

$$\vec{E}_{ext}(x) = [E_0 + x(\partial E / \partial x)] \hat{z}, \vec{E}_a = \vec{E}_{ext}(x_a) + \vec{E}_{int}(x_a)$$

$$\vec{E}_{int} = \sum_{b \neq a} -\vec{d}_b / |x_a - x_b|^3$$

Resonant frequency  $\nu_a = \nu_0 + d_{eff} E_a / h \sim 3.5-6.0$  GHz for  $E_{ext} = 2-5$  kV/cm

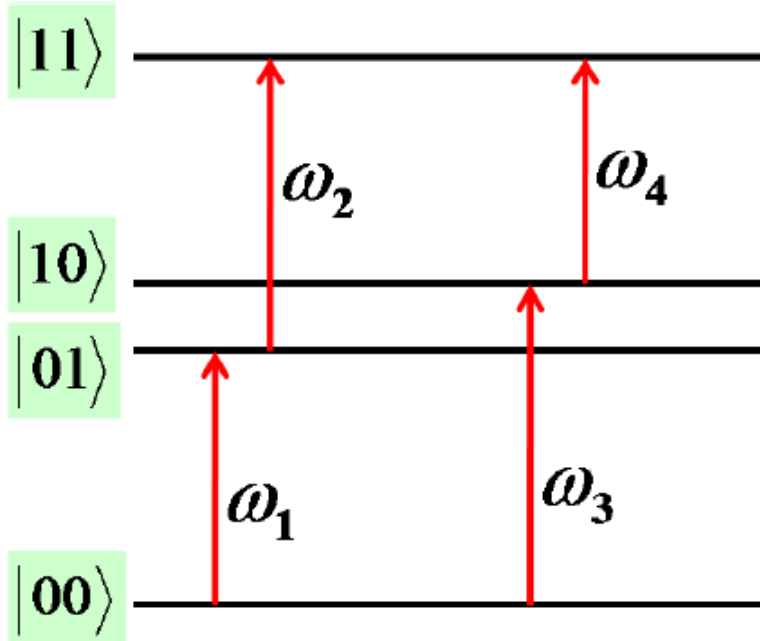
Resonant frequency difference per lattice site  $\sim 250$  kHz

$$\delta\nu = d_{eff}^2 / 4\pi\epsilon_0 (\lambda / 2)^3 \sim 3 \text{ kHz}$$

$$\text{CNOT Gate time } \tau \sim (2\pi\delta\nu)^{-1} \approx 50 \mu\text{s}$$

For a microwave  $\pi$  pulse, required field strength  $\sim 10$  mV/cm

# Generate Bell state



$$\omega_1 = W'_1 - W'_0 + \Omega_\alpha C_0(C'_1 - C'_0)$$

$$\omega_2 = W_1 - W_0 + \Omega_\alpha C'_1(C_1 - C_0)$$

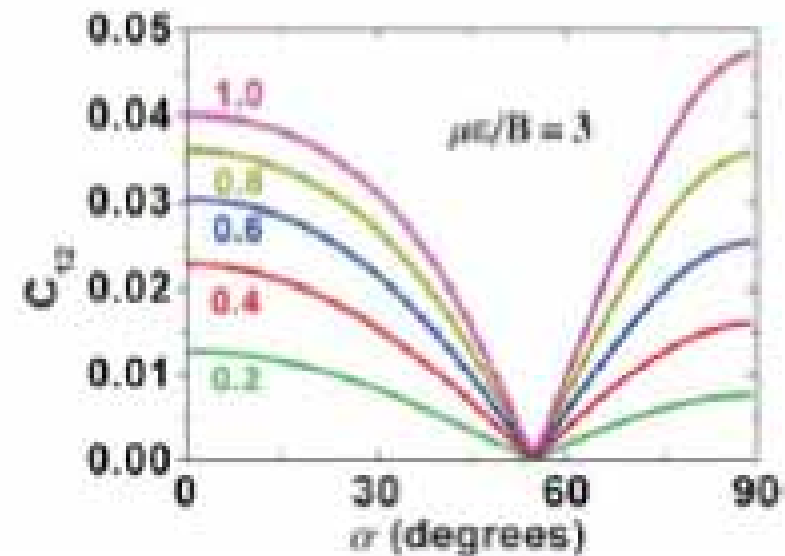
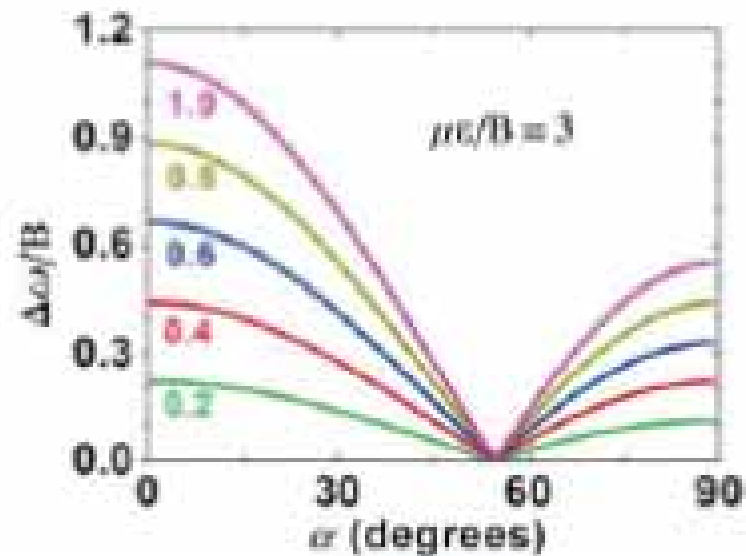
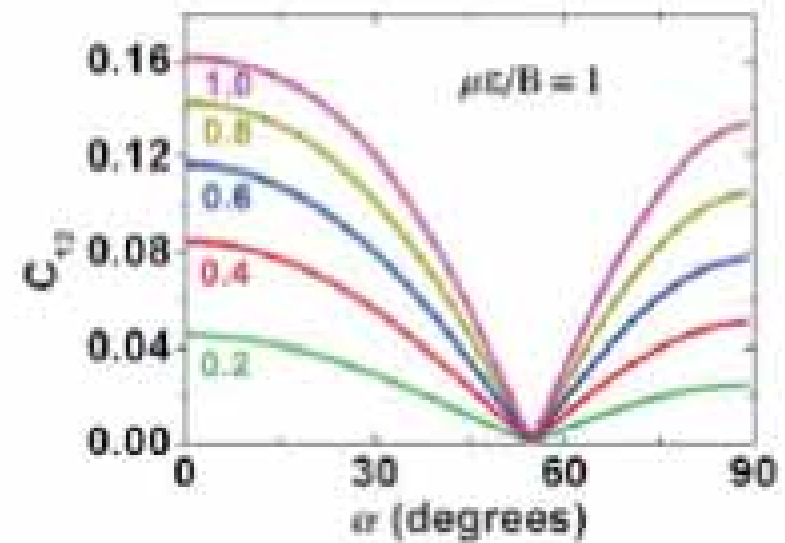
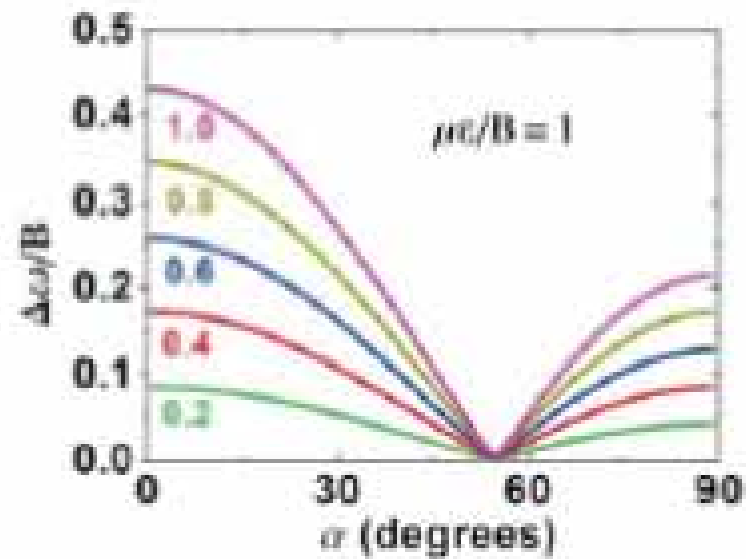
$$\omega_3 = W_1 - W_0 + \Omega_\alpha C'_0(C_1 - C_0)$$

$$\omega_4 = W'_1 - W'_0 + \Omega_\alpha C_1(C'_1 - C'_0)$$

$$|00\rangle \xrightarrow{\omega_1, \pi/2} \frac{|00\rangle + |01\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \xrightarrow{\omega_2, \pi} \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$|00\rangle \xrightarrow{\omega_3, \pi/2} \frac{|00\rangle + |10\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \xrightarrow{\omega_4, \pi} \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$





Frequency shift  $\Delta\omega/B$  (left panels) and ground-state concurrence  $C_{12}$  (right panels) as functions of  $\alpha$ , the orientation angle of the electric field. Curves are shown for  $\Omega/B = 0.2$  to  $1.0$  with  $\mu s/B = 1$  or  $3$ .

# Frequency Shift

**SrO** :  $\mu = 8.9 D$ ,  $B = 0.33 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $\lambda = 1 \mu\text{m} \Rightarrow \Omega_\alpha/B \sim 10^{-5}$

$\mu\varepsilon/B$	$\mu\varepsilon'/B$	$\Delta\omega/B$	$C_{12}$
1.00	1.01	$2.19 \times 10^{-6}$	$1.20 \times 10^{-6}$
1.00	1.10	$2.33 \times 10^{-6}$	$1.17 \times 10^{-6}$
3.00	3.03	$5.52 \times 10^{-6}$	$3.57 \times 10^{-7}$
3.00	3.30	$5.51 \times 10^{-6}$	$3.34 \times 10^{-7}$

$$\Delta\omega = \omega_3 - \omega_2 = \omega_4 - \omega_1 = \Omega_\alpha(C_1 - C_0)(C'_1 - C'_0).$$

$$\Delta\omega \sim 20 - 60 \text{ kHz}$$

# Experimental Resolution

$$\Delta\omega \sim 20 - 60 \text{ kHz}$$

Line widths for rotational transition:

❖ Ultracold molecules trapped in optical lattice

No data have been reported on line widths for rotational transitions of ultracold molecules trapped in an optical lattice and subject to an external electric field

❖ Ordinary gas phase conditions:  $\sim$  a few 100 kHz

## Conclusions

For quantum computing, a crucial issue is whether  $\omega$  is large enough to enable the  $\omega_2$  transition to be reliably distinguished from  $\omega_3$  (and, equivalently,  $\omega_1$  from  $\omega_4$ ). For typical candidate polar molecules, this requires resolving transitions separated by only **tens of kHz**. That would not be feasible in conventional molecular spectroscopy. Under ordinary gas phase conditions, transitions between molecular rotational or pendular states have line widths of the order of a few **100 kHz**.

**At present, no data have been reported on line widths for rotational transitions of ultracold molecules trapped in an optical lattice and subject to an external electric field**

# Implementation of quantum logic gates using polar molecules in pendular states

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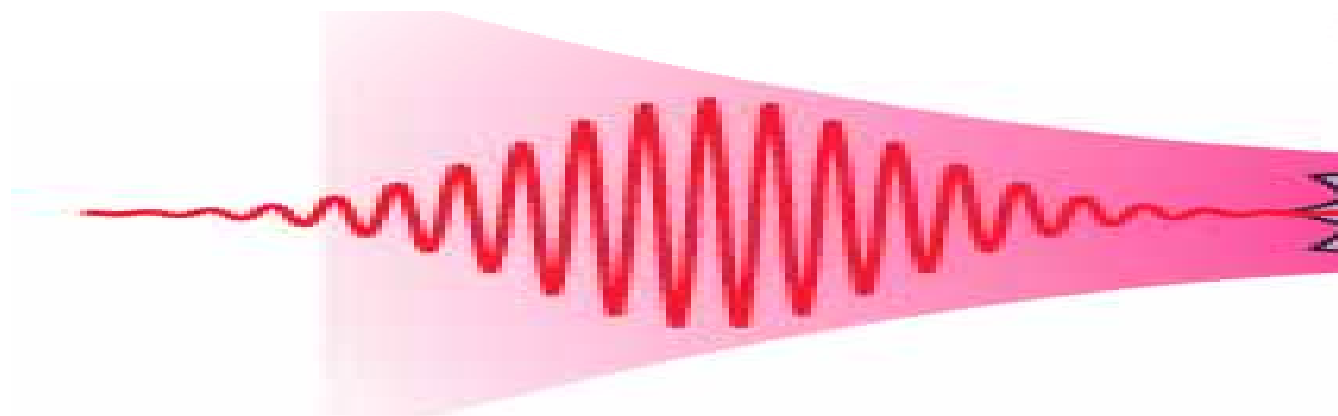
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# Introduction of MTOCT

- Multi-target optimal control theory
  - The tool for calculating laser pulse guiding the quantum system to the selected objective state
  - Transfer an arbitrary number of  $k$  initial states into  $k$  target state simultaneously by just one laser field



# Research Objective

Implement laser pulses to realize different quantum logic gates  
(such as NOT, Hadamard and CNOT)  
on system of linear trapped polar molecules

# System



- Two polar molecules trapped in the electric field at low temperature ( $\mu\text{K}$ )
- The polar molecule candidate in the simulation is SrO
  - Permanent dipole moment of 8.9 Debye
  - Rotational constant  $B=0.33\text{ cm}^{-1}$
  - The optical lattice wavelength of SrO  $\lambda=1\mu\text{m}$  and the space between them is  $\lambda/2$ .

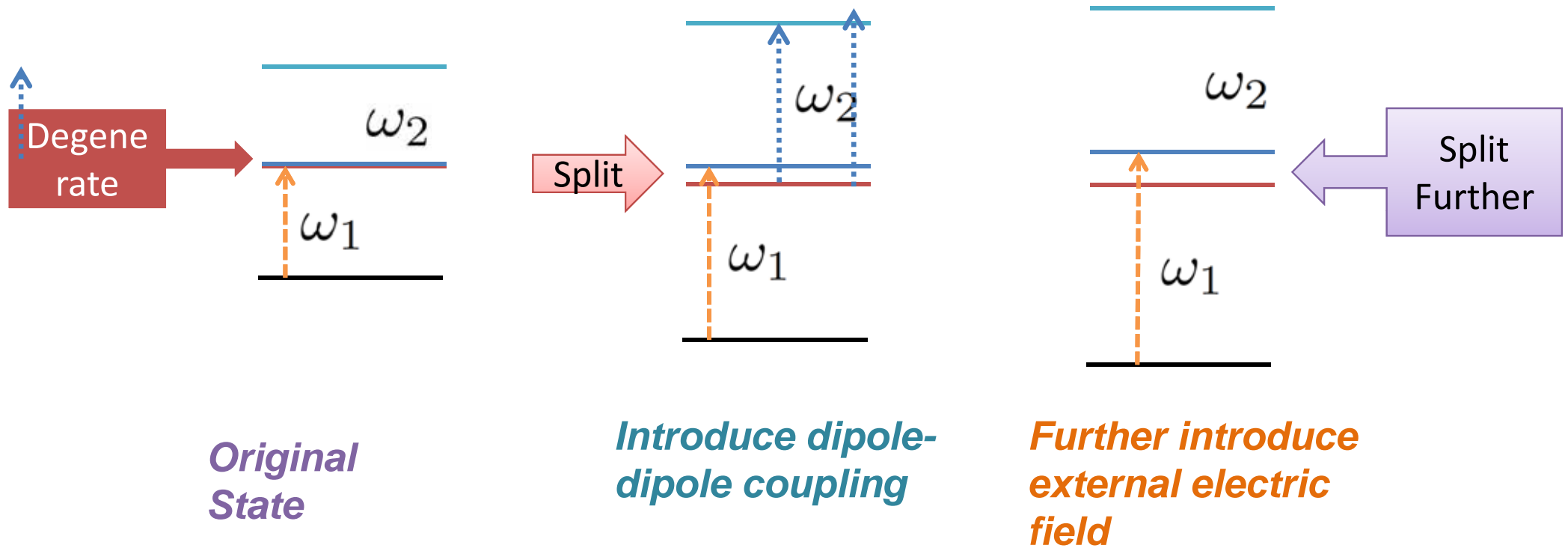


# Strategies to increase $\Delta\omega$

- Place two dipoles into different external electric fields
  - 1<sup>st</sup> dipole:  $\mu\epsilon/B = 2$  2<sup>nd</sup> dipole:  $\mu\epsilon/B = 3$
  - External electric field strength:  $\sim 120\text{-}180$  kV/cm
- Short the distance between two dipoles
  - The distance in the simulation is  $0.05 \mu\text{m}$ , which is 10% of their length at optical lattice.

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# Relations between dipole-dipole interaction; external electric field and frequency shift



$$\Delta\omega = \omega_2 - \omega_1$$

—  $|00\rangle$     —  $|01\rangle$     —  $|10\rangle$     —  $|11\rangle$

# System Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H}_{tot} = \mathcal{H}_{S1} + \mathcal{H}_{S2} + V_{dd}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{S1} = \begin{pmatrix} W_0 & \\ & W_1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \mathbf{I}_2 \quad \mathcal{H}_{S2} = \mathbf{I}_2 \otimes \begin{pmatrix} W'_0 & \\ & W'_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$V_{dd} = \Omega (1 - \cos^2 \alpha) \left[ \begin{pmatrix} C_0 & C_x \\ C_x & C_1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} C'_0 & C'_x \\ C'_x & C'_1 \end{pmatrix} \right]$$

$$C_0 = \langle 0 | \cos \theta | 0 \rangle; \quad C_1 = \langle 1 | \cos \theta | 1 \rangle; \quad C_x = \langle 0 | \cos \theta | 1 \rangle$$

# MTOCT

- The target function:

$$J[\psi_{ik}(t), \psi_{fk}(t), \epsilon(t)] = \sum_{k=1}^z \left\{ |\langle \psi_{ik}(T) | \phi_{fk} \rangle|^2 - \alpha_0 \int_0^T \frac{|\vec{E}(t)|^2}{S(t)} dt - 2 \operatorname{Re} \{ \langle \psi_{ik}(T) | \phi_{fk} \rangle \right. \\ \left. \times \int_0^T \left\langle \psi_{fk}(t) \left| \frac{i}{\hbar} [H - \vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{E}(t)] + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right| \psi_{ik}(t) \right\rangle dt \right\}$$

- 1<sup>st</sup> term of RHS: Overlap of the initial wave functions  $\psi_{ik}$  driven by laser field, with the target  $\phi_{fk}$  .
- 2<sup>nd</sup> term: Controls the intensity of the laser
- 3<sup>rd</sup> term: Ensures Time-dependent Schrödinger Equation is fulfilled for all time steps.

# The Laser Pulse

$$E(t) = -\frac{z \cdot S(t)}{\hbar \cdot \alpha_0} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^z \text{Im} \left\{ \langle \psi_{ik}(t) | \psi_{fk}(t) \rangle \right. \\ \left. \langle \psi_{fk}(t) | \mu_1 \cdot \cos\theta_1 + \mu_2 \cdot \cos\theta_2 | \psi_{ik}(t) \rangle \right\}$$

$$\langle \psi_{fk}(t) | \mu_1 \cdot \cos\theta_1 + \mu_2 \cdot \cos\theta_2 | \psi_{ik}(t) \rangle = \mu \cdot \langle \psi_{fk}(t) | \cos\theta_1 + \cos\theta_2 | \psi_{ik}(t) \rangle$$

# Numerical Approach to Obtain the Optimized Laser Pulse

- Rapid convergent iteration approach developed by the Rabitz in 1998

Step 1:

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi_i^{(0)}(t) = (H_0 + V) \psi_i^{(0)}(t) - \mu \overline{\epsilon(t)} \psi_i^{(0)}(t),$$

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi_f^{(1)}(t) = (H_0 + V) \psi_f^{(1)}(t) + \frac{\mu}{\alpha_0} \psi_f^{(1)}(t) \\ \times \text{Im}(\langle \psi_i^{(0)}(t) | \psi_f^{(1)}(t) \rangle \langle \psi_f^{(1)}(t) | \mu | \psi_i^{(0)}(t) \rangle)$$

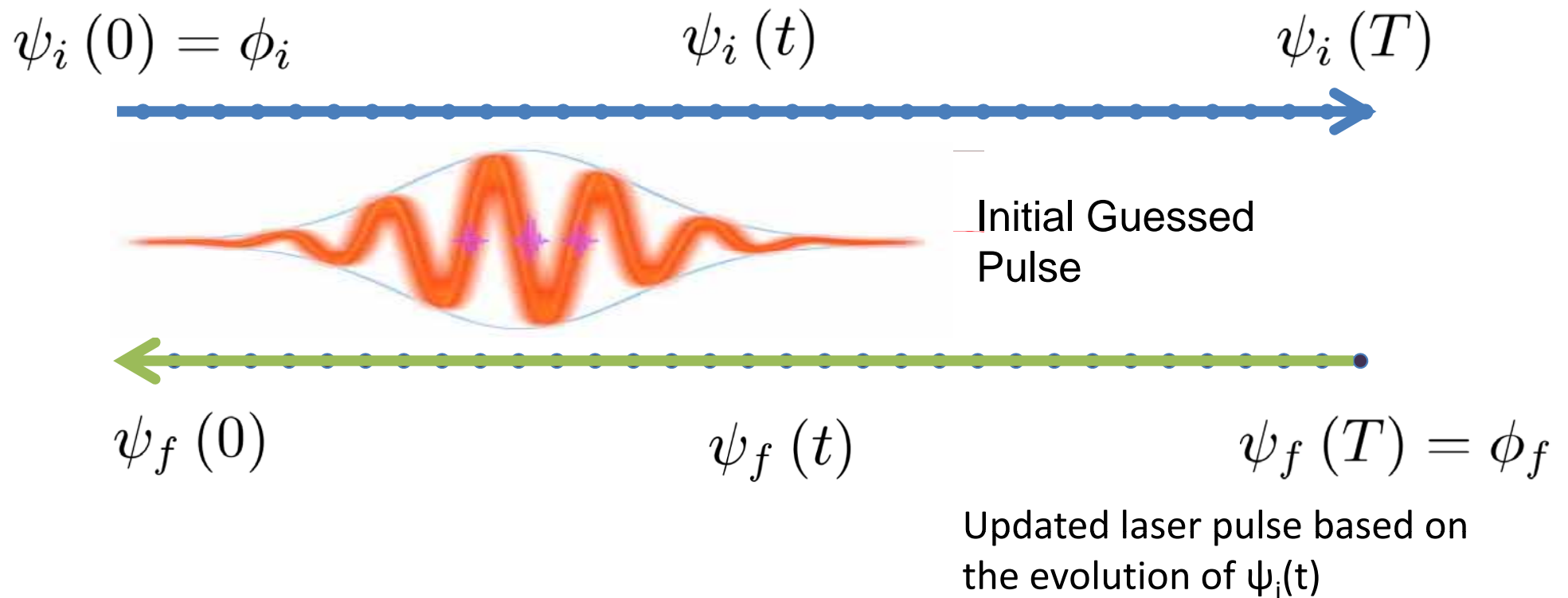
Step 2:

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi_i^{(1)}(t) = (H_0 + V) \psi_i^{(1)}(t) + \frac{\mu}{\alpha_0} \psi_i^{(1)}(t) \\ \times \text{Im}(\langle \psi_i^{(1)}(t) | \psi_f^{(1)}(t) \rangle \langle \psi_f^{(1)}(t) | \mu | \psi_i^{(1)}(t) \rangle)$$

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi_f^{(2)}(t) = (H_0 + V) \psi_f^{(2)}(t) + \frac{\mu}{\alpha_0} \psi_f^{(2)}(t) \\ \times \text{Im}(\langle \psi_i^{(1)}(t) | \psi_f^{(2)}(t) \rangle \langle \psi_f^{(2)}(t) | \mu | \psi_i^{(1)}(t) \rangle)$$

# Numerical Approach Continued

- Illusion of the iteration approach:



# Coefficients to check convergence

- The average transition probability

$$\bar{P} = \frac{1}{z} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^z |\langle \psi_{ik}(T) | \Phi_{fk} \rangle|^2$$

- The fidelity

$$F = \frac{1}{z^2} \cdot \left| \sum_{k=1}^z \langle \psi_{ik}(T) | \Phi_{fk} \rangle \right|^2$$



- The coupling constant  $\Omega/B=0.01$
- The frequency shift  $\Delta\omega=1.69 \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm}^{-1}$
- The time duration of the laser pulse should be  $10 \hbar/\Delta\omega$ , which is 32 ns for this case.
- The self evolution of the SrO system is about 29 ps per circle.
- In the simulation, the basic time step is 0.25ps and the total length of the pulse is 32 ns. The max iterations are set at 300.

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# Simulation Result

Table I: The initial and target state of CNOT gate

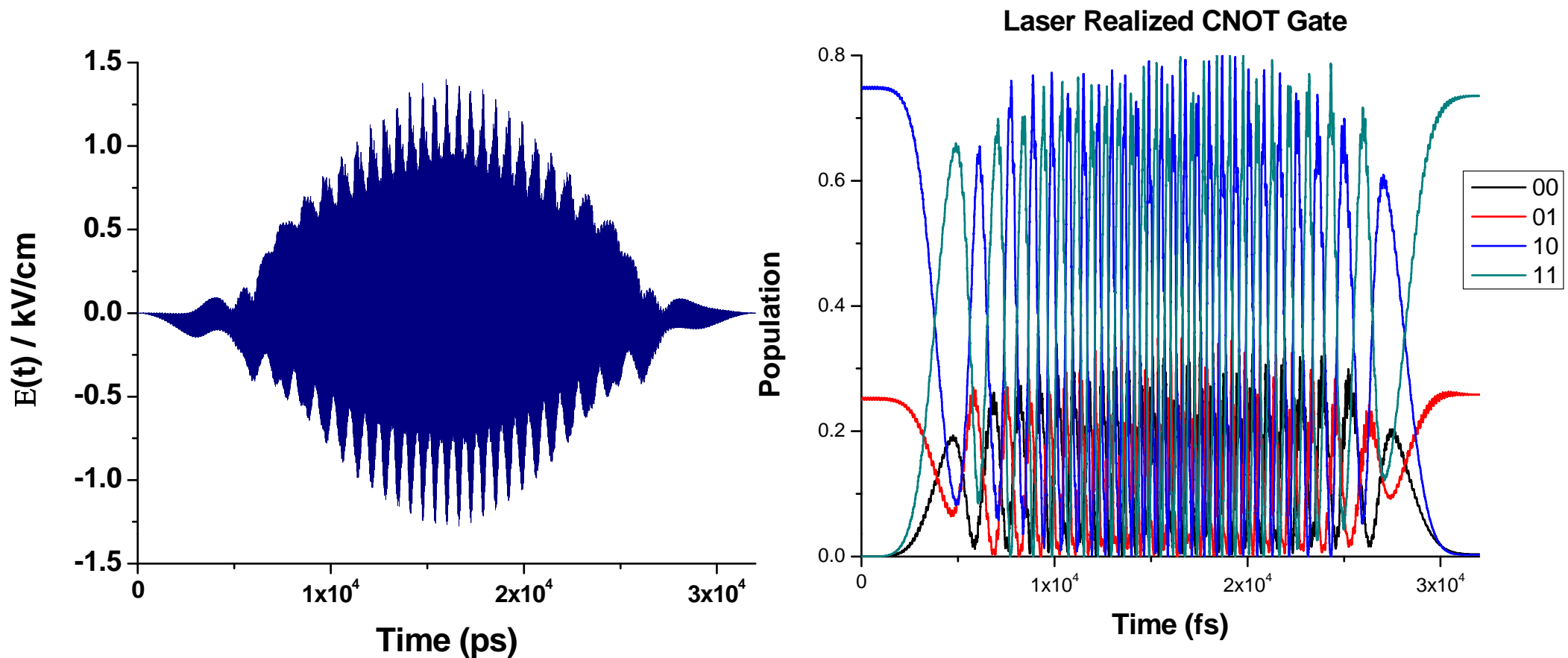
i	Initial State	Target State
1	$ 00\rangle$	$ 00\rangle$
2	$ 01\rangle$	$ 01\rangle$
3	$ 10\rangle$	$ 11\rangle$
4	$ 11\rangle$	$ 10\rangle$
5	$\frac{1}{2} ( 00\rangle +  01\rangle +  10\rangle +  11\rangle)$	$\frac{1}{2} e^{i\phi} \cdot ( 00\rangle +  01\rangle +  11\rangle +  10\rangle)$

# The Pulse for Realizing CNOT Gate

- CNOT Gate

–  $00 \rightarrow 00; 01 \rightarrow 01; 10 \rightarrow 11; 11 \rightarrow 10$

$$- \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$



# NOT gates for Molecule 1 and 2

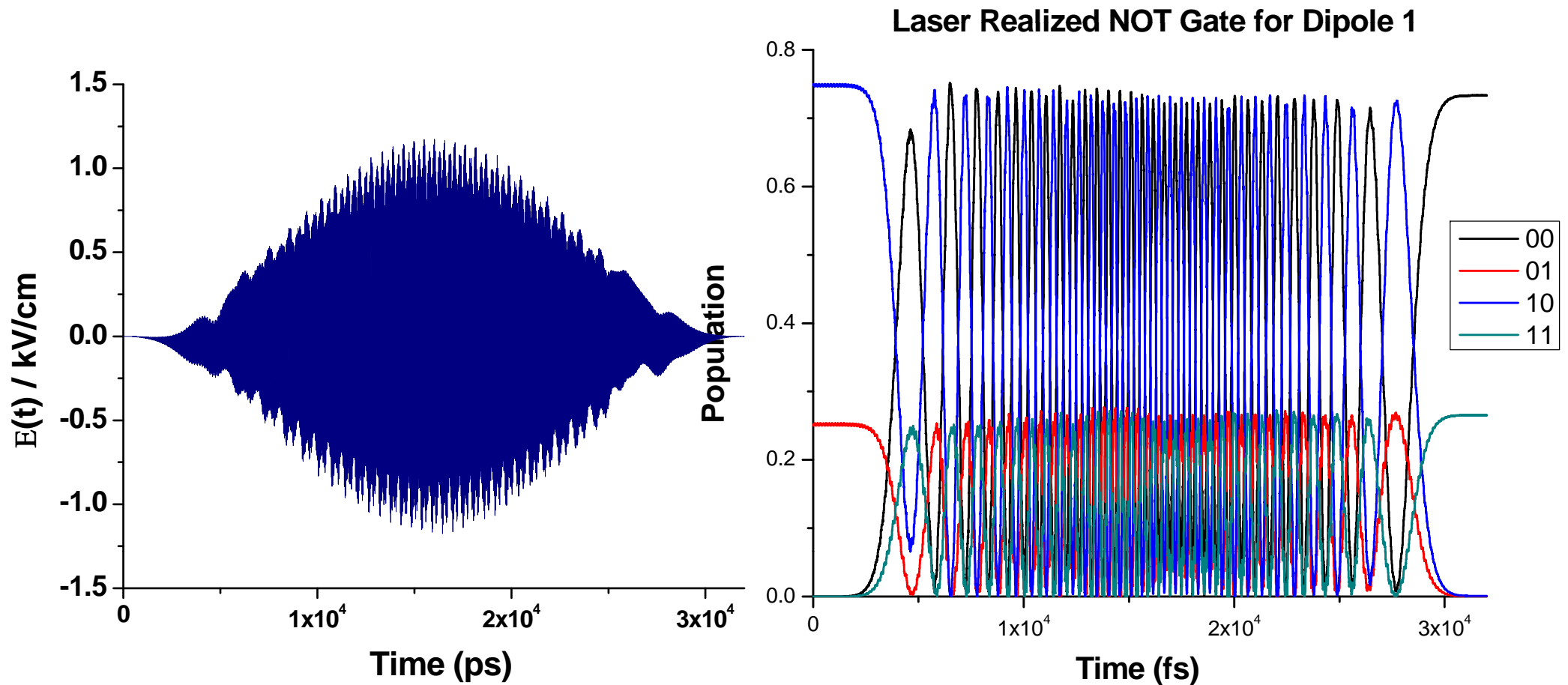
i	Initial State	Target State	
		NOT gate for Molecule 1	NOT gate for Molecule 2
1	$ 00\rangle$	$ 10\rangle$	$ 01\rangle$
2	$ 01\rangle$	$ 11\rangle$	$ 00\rangle$
3	$ 10\rangle$	$ 00\rangle$	$ 11\rangle$
4	$ 11\rangle$	$ 01\rangle$	$ 10\rangle$
5	$\frac{1}{2} ( 00\rangle +  01\rangle +  10\rangle +  11\rangle)$	$\frac{1}{2} e^{i\phi} \cdot ( 10\rangle +  11\rangle +  00\rangle +  01\rangle)$	$\frac{1}{2} e^{i\phi} \cdot ( 01\rangle +  00\rangle +  11\rangle +  10\rangle)$

# The Pulse for NOT Gate for Dipole 1

- NOT Gate for Dipole 1

–  $00 \rightarrow 10; 01 \rightarrow 11; 10 \rightarrow 00; 11 \rightarrow 01$

$$- \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

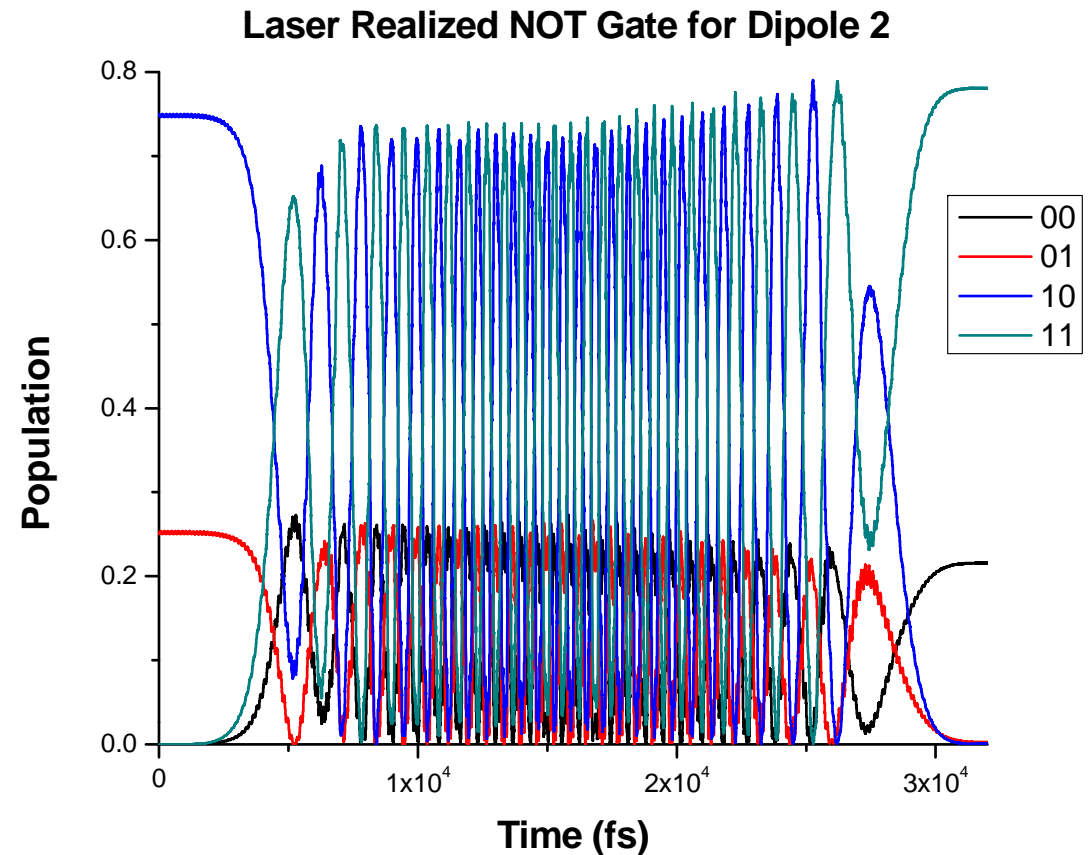
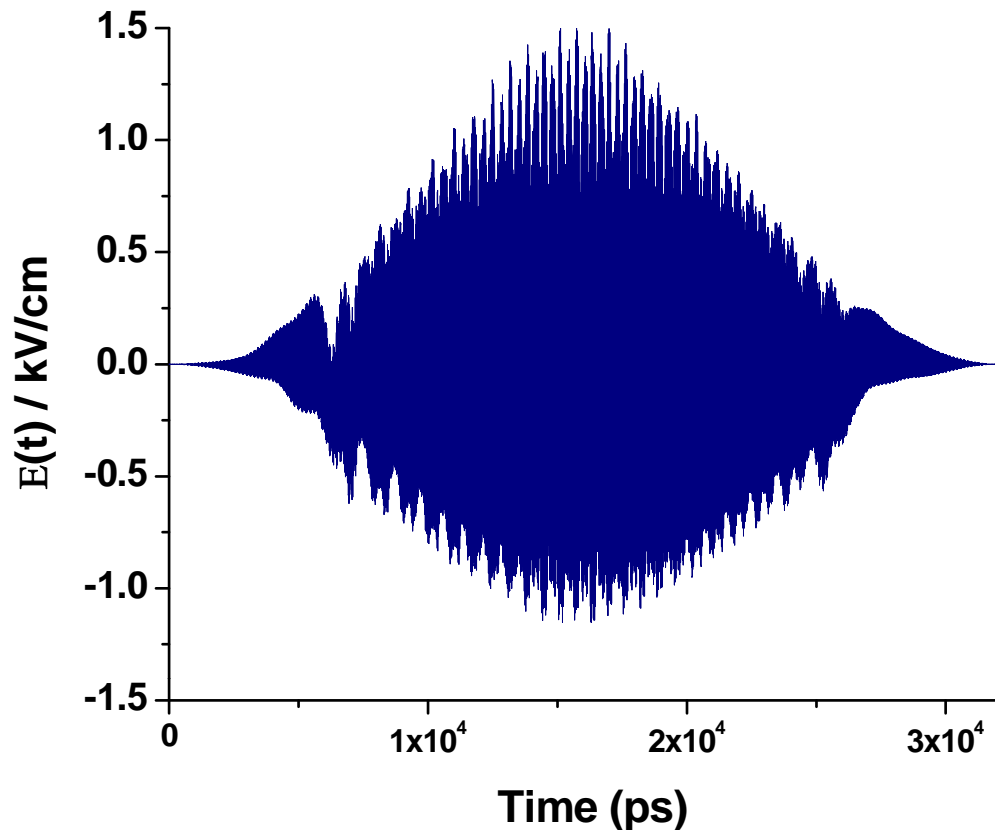


# The Pulse for NOT Gate for Dipole 2

- NOT Gate for Dipole 2

– 00 → 01; 01 → 00; 10 → 11; 11 → 10

$$- \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$



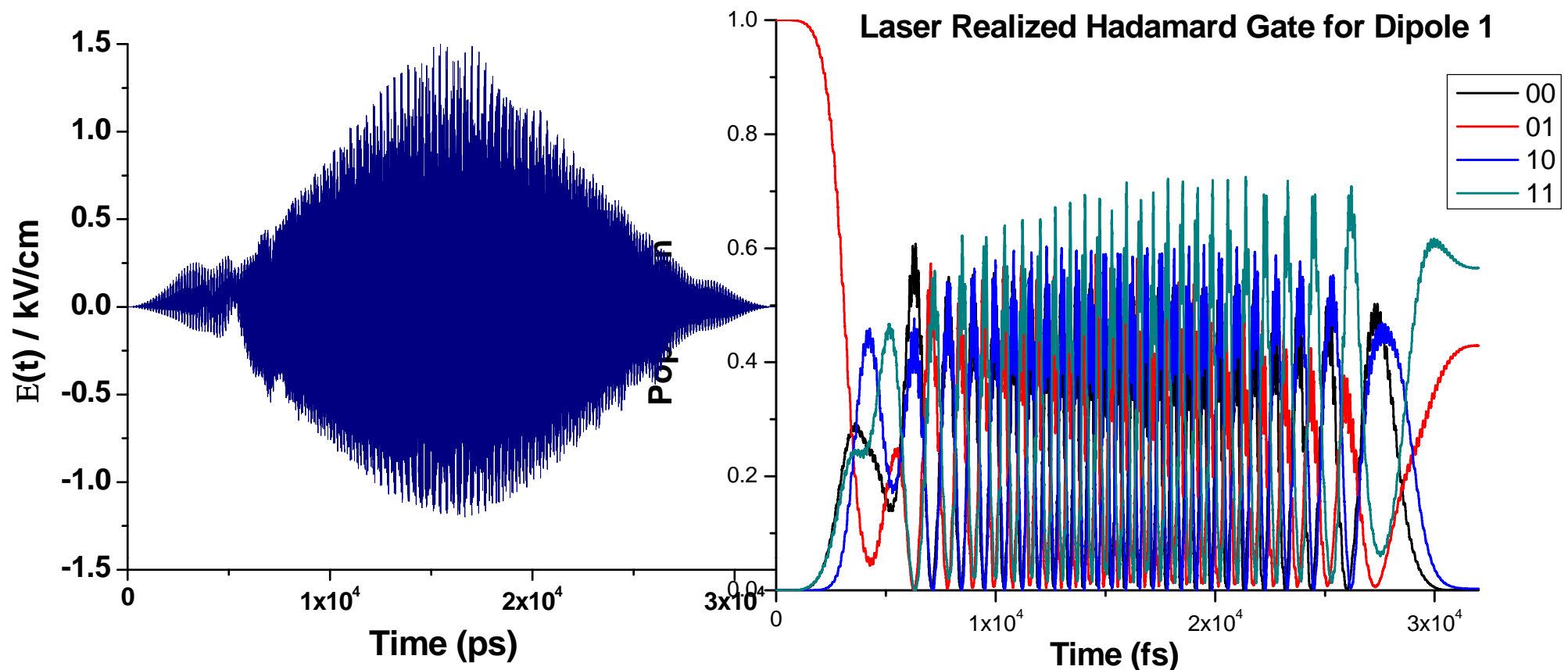
# Hadamard gate for both molecules

i	Initial State	Target State	
		Hadamard gate for Molecule 1	Hadamardgate for Molecule 2
1	$ 00\rangle$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} ( 00\rangle +  10\rangle)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} ( 00\rangle +  01\rangle)$
2	$ 01\rangle$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} ( 01\rangle +  11\rangle)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} ( 00\rangle -  01\rangle)$
3	$ 10\rangle$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} ( 00\rangle -  10\rangle)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} ( 10\rangle +  11\rangle)$
4	$ 11\rangle$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} ( 01\rangle -  11\rangle)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} ( 10\rangle -  11\rangle)$
5	$\frac{1}{2} ( 00\rangle +  01\rangle +  10\rangle +  11\rangle)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i\phi} \cdot ( 00\rangle +  01\rangle)$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i\phi} \cdot ( 00\rangle +  10\rangle)$

# The Pulse for Hadamard Gate for Dipole 1

- Hadamard Gate for Dipole 1

$$\begin{aligned} - 00 &\rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (0 + 1) \otimes 0; & 01 &\rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (0 + 1) \otimes 1; & 10 &\rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (0 - 1) \otimes 0 \\ & & 11 &\rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (0 - 1) \otimes 1 \end{aligned}$$

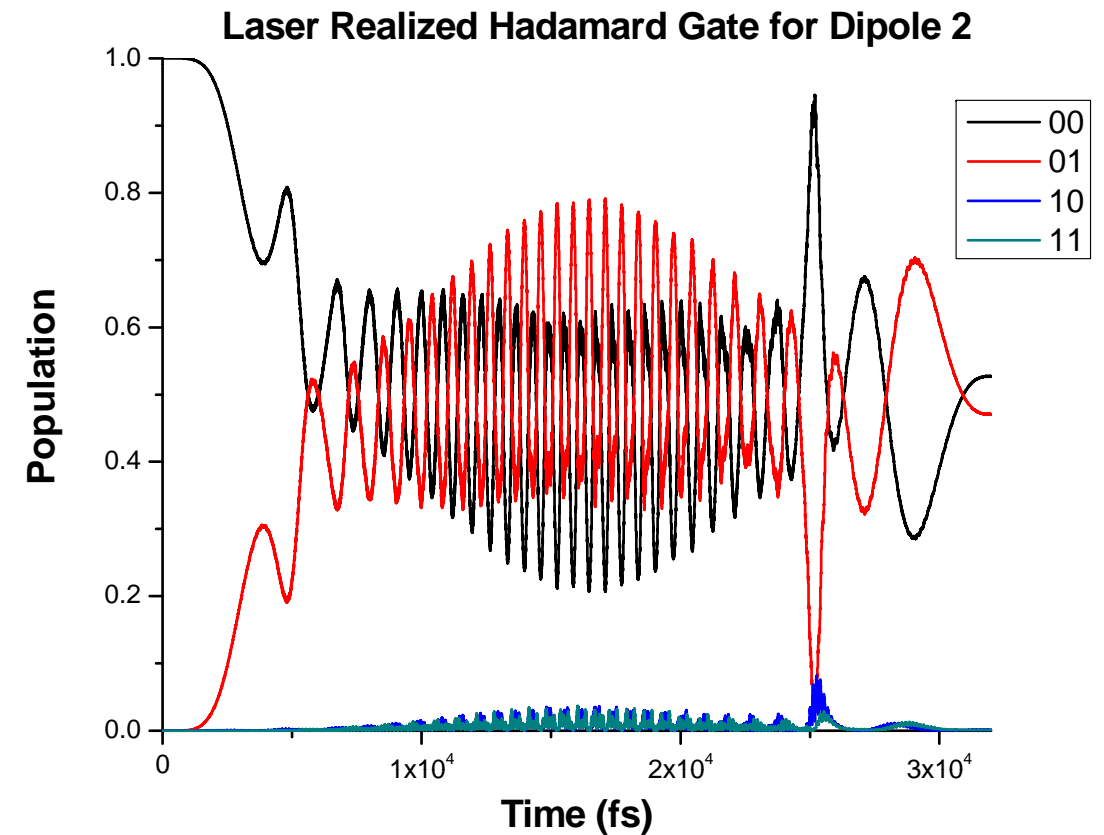
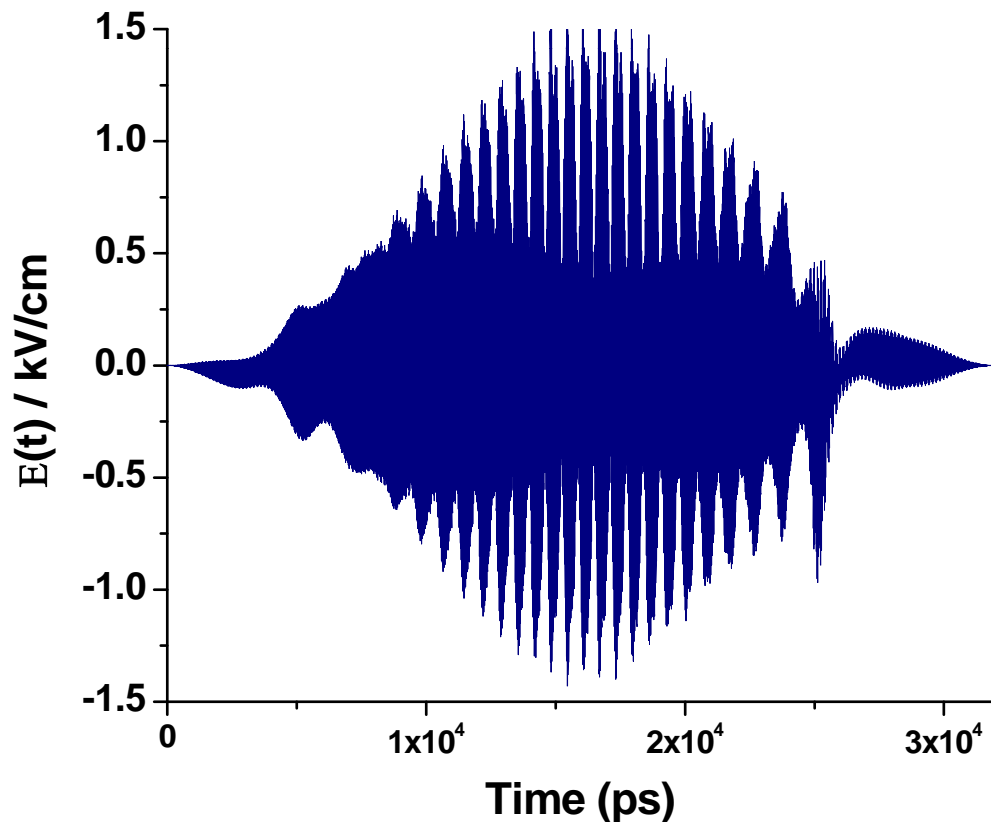




# The Pulse for Hadamard Gate for Dipole 2

- Hadamard Gate for Dipole 2

$$\begin{aligned} - & 00 \rightarrow 0 \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (0 + 1); 01 \rightarrow 0 \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (0 - 1); 10 \rightarrow 1 \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (0 + 1) \\ & 11 \rightarrow 1 \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (0 - 1) \end{aligned}$$



# Conclusion

- Applied the MTOCT theory to obtain the optimized laser pulse to quantum logic gates, such as CNOT, NOT and Hadamard gates, with high fidelity
- After reducing the distance to 10% of that in the optical lattice, the energy shift becomes 51MHz and can be resolved by the laser with the duration time of  $32\mu\text{s}$

# New Directions

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## Entanglement of polar symmetric top molecules as candidate qubits

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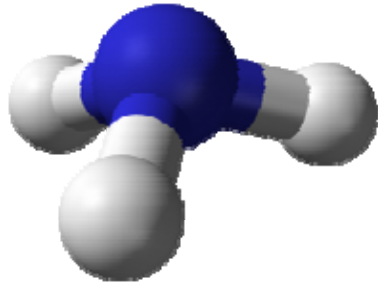
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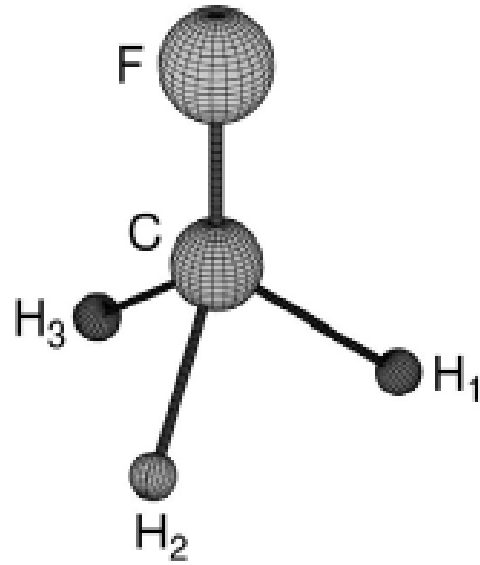
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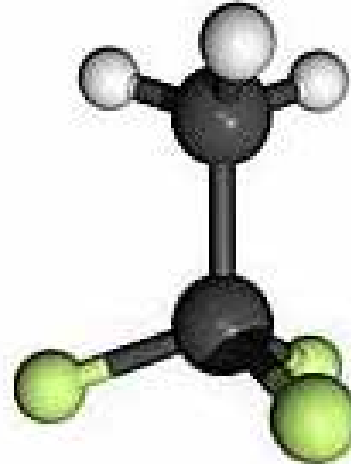
# Symmetric Top Molecules



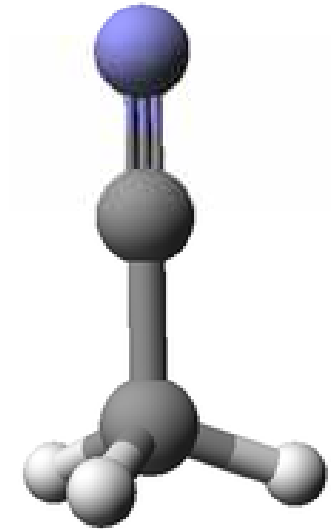
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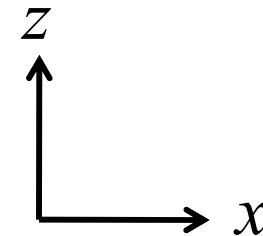


$\text{CH}_3\text{CF}_3$



$\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$

Property:  $I_x = I_y \neq I_z$



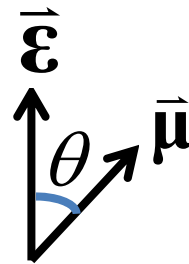
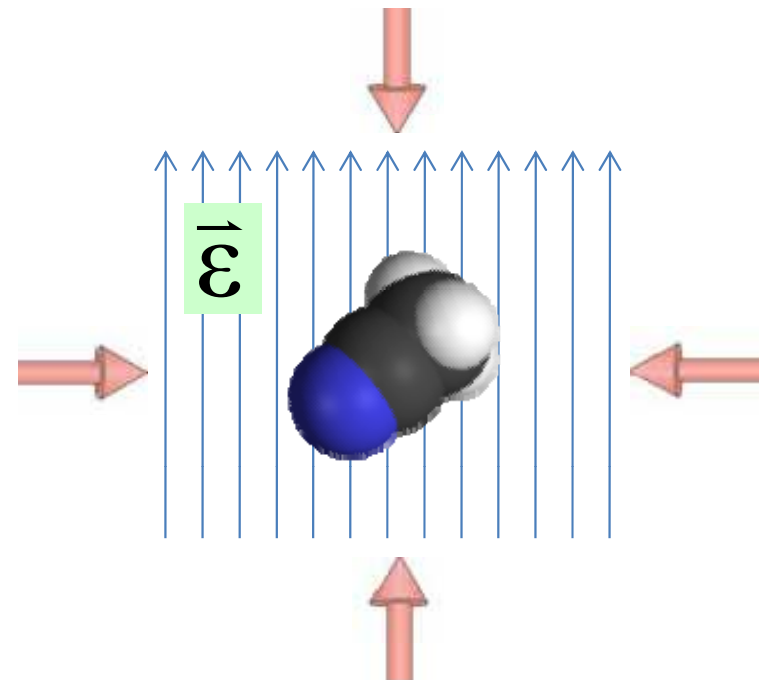
# Hamiltonian of Single Molecule

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_R + \hat{H}_S + \hat{H}_T$$

$$\hat{H}_R = B\hat{J}^2 + (A-B)\hat{J}_z^2 \Leftarrow \text{Rotational}$$

$$\hat{H}_S = \vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{\mathcal{E}} = \mu\mathcal{E} \cos \theta \Leftarrow \text{Stark}$$

$$\hat{H}_T = \frac{p^2}{2m} + V_{trap} \Leftarrow \text{Trapping (assume constant)}$$



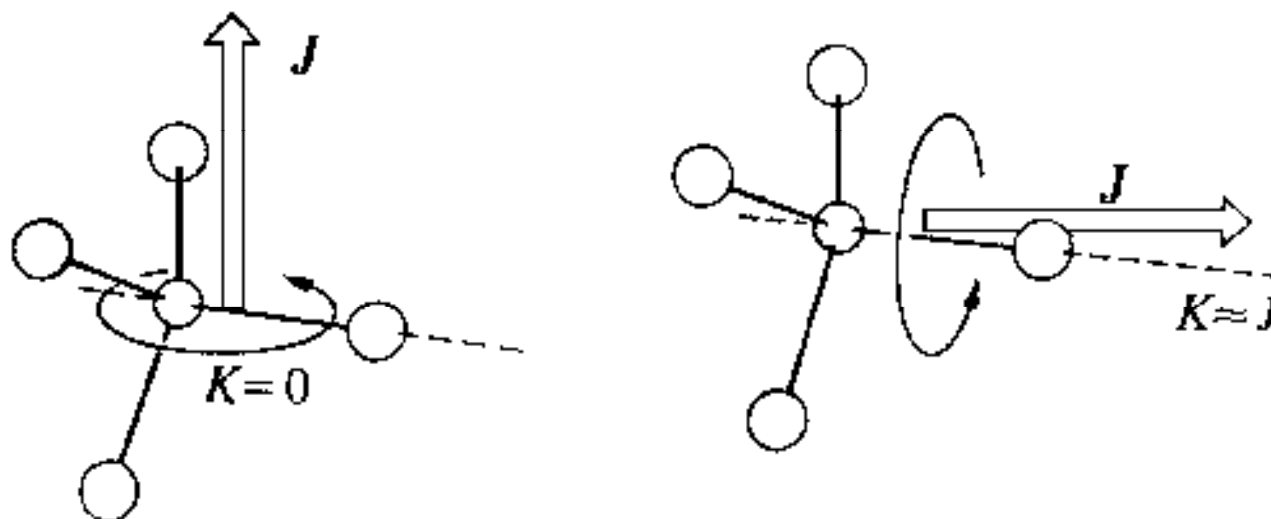
# Rotational & Stark

Rotational energy:  $E_R(J, K) = BJ(J+1) + (A-B)K^2$

Total rotational angular momentum:  $J = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$

Projection of J along molecular axis:  $K = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots, \pm J$

CH<sub>3</sub>F



Stark energy:  $E_S(J, K, M_J) = -\mu\epsilon M_J K / J(J+1)$

Projection of J along external field:  $M_J = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots, \pm J$

Effective dipole moment:  $\mu_{\text{eff}} = -\partial E_S / \partial \epsilon = -\mu M_J K / J(J+1)$

# Symmetric Top Molecules

## Qubits:

$$|0\rangle = |J,K,M\rangle = |1,1,+1\rangle$$

$$|1\rangle = |J,K,M\rangle = |1,1,-1\rangle$$

$$J=0,1,2,\dots \quad K=0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

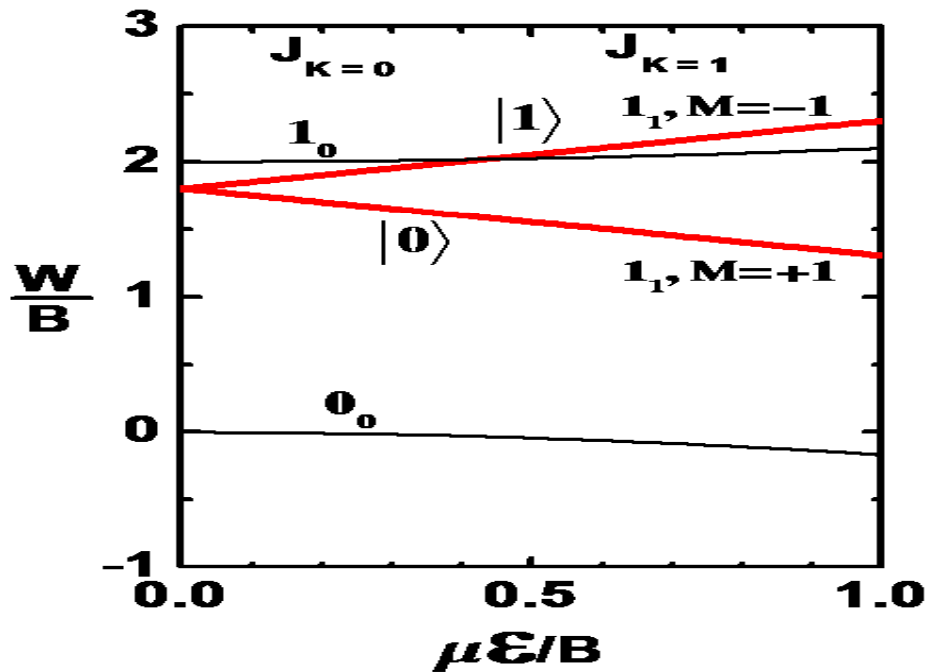
$$\Delta J=0, \pm 1 \quad \Delta K=0 \quad \text{for } K \neq 0$$

$$\Delta J= \pm 1 \quad \Delta K=0 \quad \text{for } K=0$$

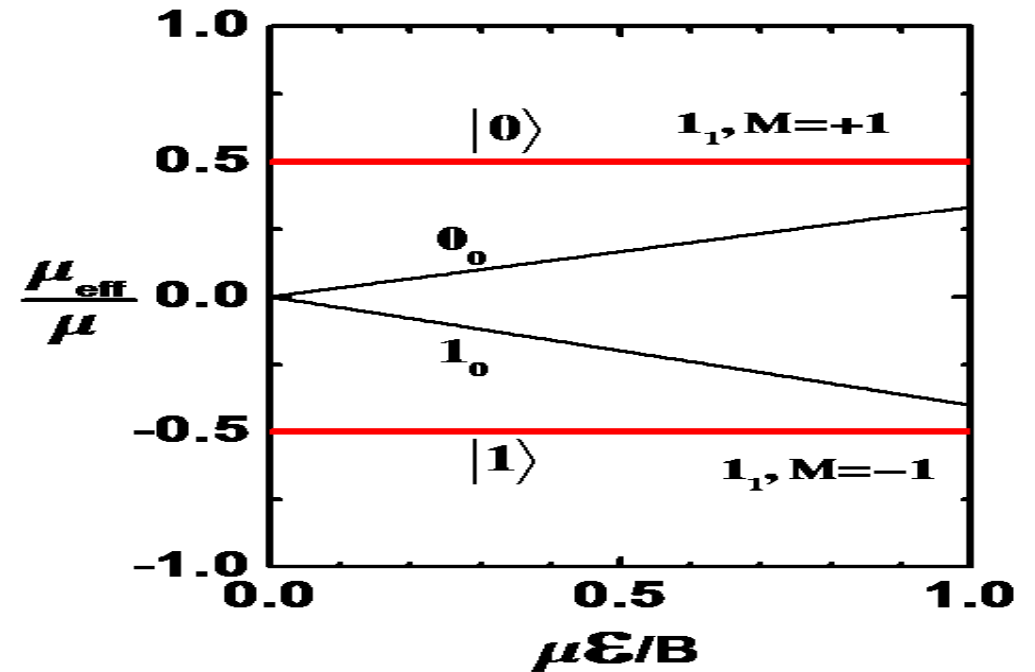


## Energy levels $W$ and effective dipole moments $\mu_{\text{eff}}$ for a symmetric top molecule in an electric field

$K$  = quantum number denoting projection of  $J$  on the symmetry axis of the molecule



(a)



(b)

Note that, in contrast to the diatomic case, here the qubit states split apart linearly as field increases; allows use low field strength to increase  $\Omega/\omega$  greatly, giving access to region where entanglement is large

# Symmetric Top

- Initial Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H}^{st} = \mathcal{H}_R^{st} + \mathcal{H}_S^{st} + \mathcal{H}_T^{st} + \mathcal{H}_{s.q.}^{st}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_R^{st} = B \cdot \mathbf{J}^2 + (A - B) \cdot \mathbf{J}_z^2$$

$$\mathcal{H}_S^{st} = -\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{\epsilon} = -\mu\epsilon \cos\theta$$

$$|0^{st}\rangle = |J = 1, K = 1, M_J = +1\rangle$$

$$|1^{st}\rangle = |J = 1, K = 1, M_J = -1\rangle$$

$$W_0^{st} = A + B - \frac{\mu\epsilon}{2}; \quad W_1^{st} = A + B + \frac{\mu\epsilon}{2}$$

$$C_0^{st} = \langle 0 | \cos\theta | 0 \rangle = \frac{1}{2}; \quad C_1^{st} = \langle 1 | \cos\theta | 1 \rangle = -\frac{1}{2}; \quad C_x^{st} = \langle 0 | \cos\theta | 1 \rangle = 0$$

- Simplified Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H}_{total}^{st} = 2(A + B) \cdot \mathbf{I}_4 + \frac{\mu}{2} (\epsilon \cdot \sigma_z \otimes \mathbf{I}_2 + \epsilon' \cdot \mathbf{I}_2 \otimes \sigma_z) + \frac{\Omega(1 - \cos^2 \alpha^{st})}{4} \cdot \sigma_z \otimes \sigma_z$$

- NMR Hamiltonian:  $\mathcal{H} = v_1 \hat{\mathbb{I}}_{1z} + v_2 \hat{\mathbb{I}}_{2z} + J_{12} \hat{\mathbb{I}}_{1z} \hat{\mathbb{I}}_{2z}$

## Conclusions

Symmetric top molecules, with first-order Stark effect, offer a means to obtain  $\Omega/\omega \sim 1$  and hence large concurrence.

In the region  $\Omega/\omega < \text{or} \sim 1$  the max concurrence occurs for temperatures so low that only ground state concurrence matters much.

# ENTANGLEMENT CREATION IN COLD MOLECULAR GASES USING STRONG LASER PULSES

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# Entanglement of cold molecules with off-resonant laser pulses

*Rotational structure in off-resonant optical fields*

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_R + \hat{H}_{AC}$$

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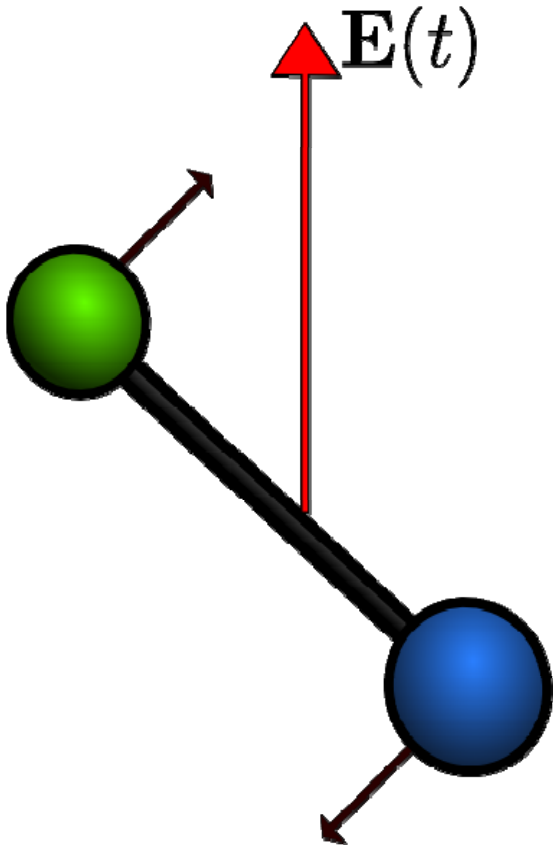
$$\hat{H}_R = B_e \hat{N}^2$$

Light-induced potential

$$\hat{H}_{AC} = -\frac{|E_0|^2}{4} \left\{ \frac{1}{3}(\alpha_{\parallel} + 2\alpha_{\perp}) + \frac{2}{3}(\alpha_{\parallel} - \alpha_{\perp})C_{2,0}(\theta) \right\}$$

# Molecules in far-detuned laser fields

- Semiclassical picture



Strong off-resonant laser field

$$\mathbf{E}(t) = E_0 \mathbf{e}_z \cos(\omega t)$$

Instantaneous dipole moment

$$\mathbf{d}(t) = \alpha \mathbf{E}(t)$$

Light-matter interaction

$$U = -\langle \mathbf{d}(t) \cdot \mathbf{E}(t) \rangle$$

# Molecules in far-detuned laser fields

- Rotational structure

Light-matter Hamiltonian

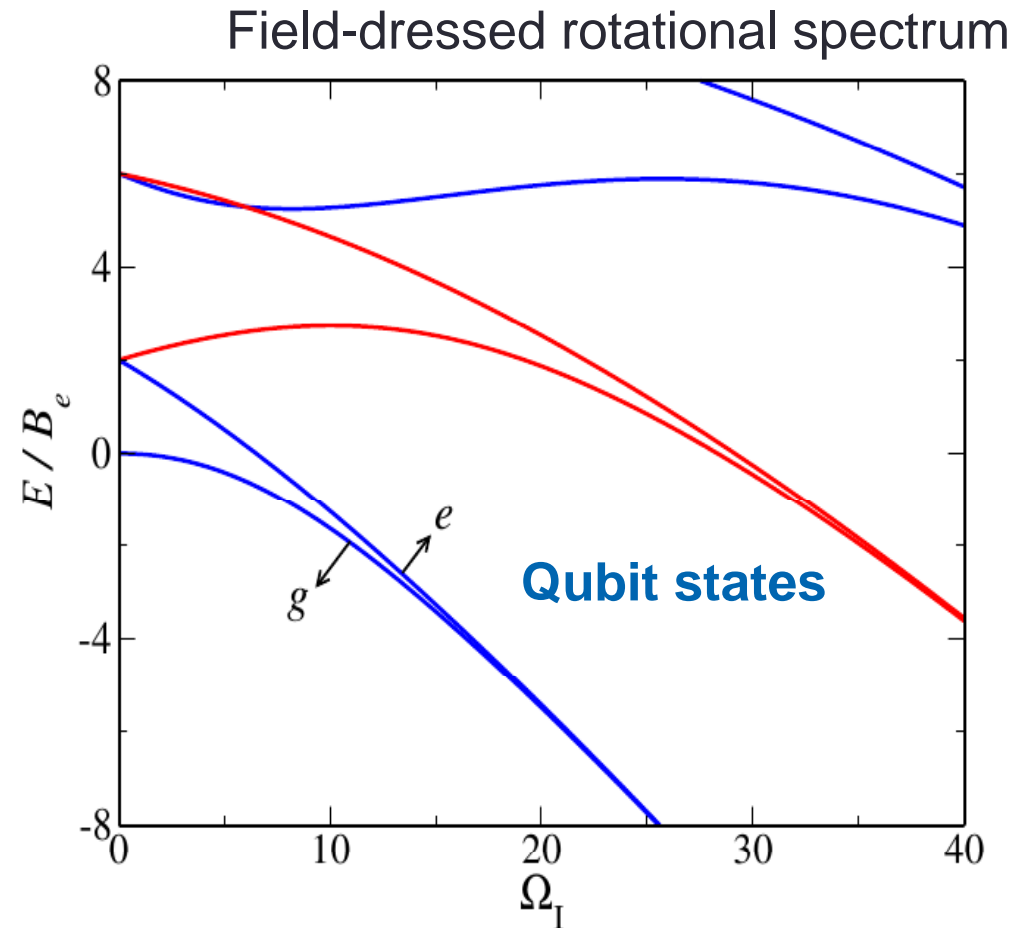
$$\hat{H} = \hat{N}^2 - \Omega_I \cos^2 \theta$$

Laser intensity parameter

$$\Omega_I = \frac{(\alpha_{\parallel} - \alpha_{\perp}) |E_0|^2}{4B_e}$$

Eigenstates have definite parity

Qubit transition energy decreases exponentially with inter



# Alignment-mediated entanglement

- Two-molecule evolution in a strong pulse

$$|\Psi(t)\rangle = a(t)|g_1g_2\rangle + b(t)|e_1e_2\rangle$$

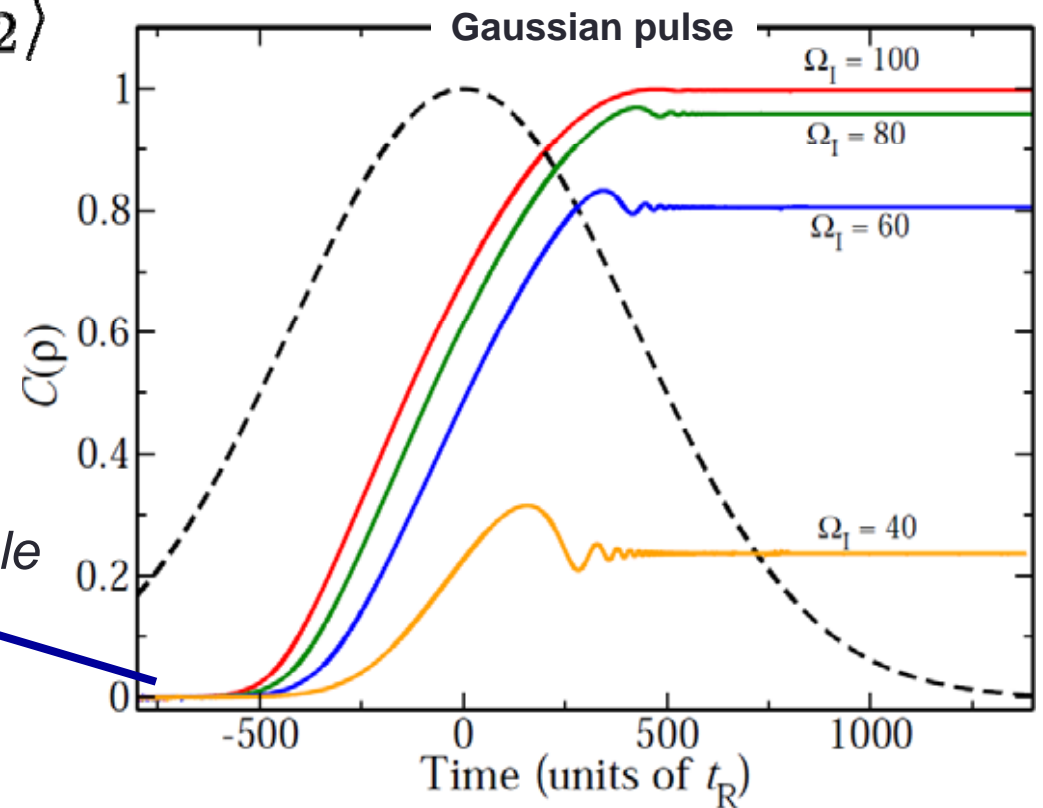
Bipartite concurrence

$$C(\rho) = 2|ab|$$

Interaction time

$$t_{\text{dd}} = \hbar/U_{\text{dd}}$$

*Initially separable states*

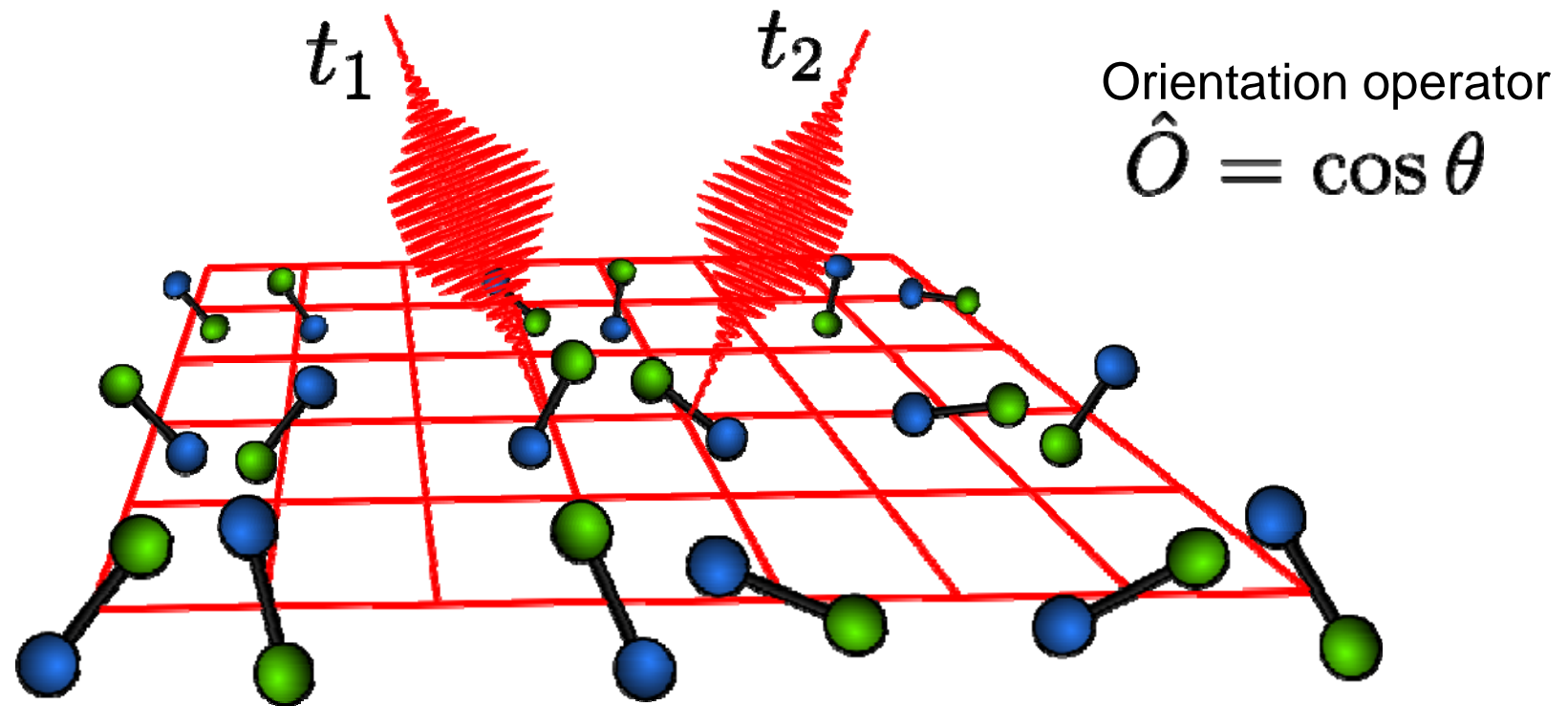


Molecules remain entangled after the pulse is



# Entanglement in optical traps

- Binary correlations in double well lattices



Orientation correlation measurements

$$E(t_1, t_2) = \langle \hat{O}(t_1) \hat{O}(t_2) \rangle$$

## ***Violation of Bell's inequalities with polar molecules in optical lattices***

$$|\Psi\rangle = a|g_1g_2\rangle + b|e_1e_2\rangle$$

$$E(t_a, t_b) = \frac{1}{3} (2|ab|) \cos(\omega_{10}t_a + \omega_{10}t_b + \theta_{ba})$$

$$S_1(t) = E(0, 0) + E(0, t) + E(t, 0) - E(t, t)$$

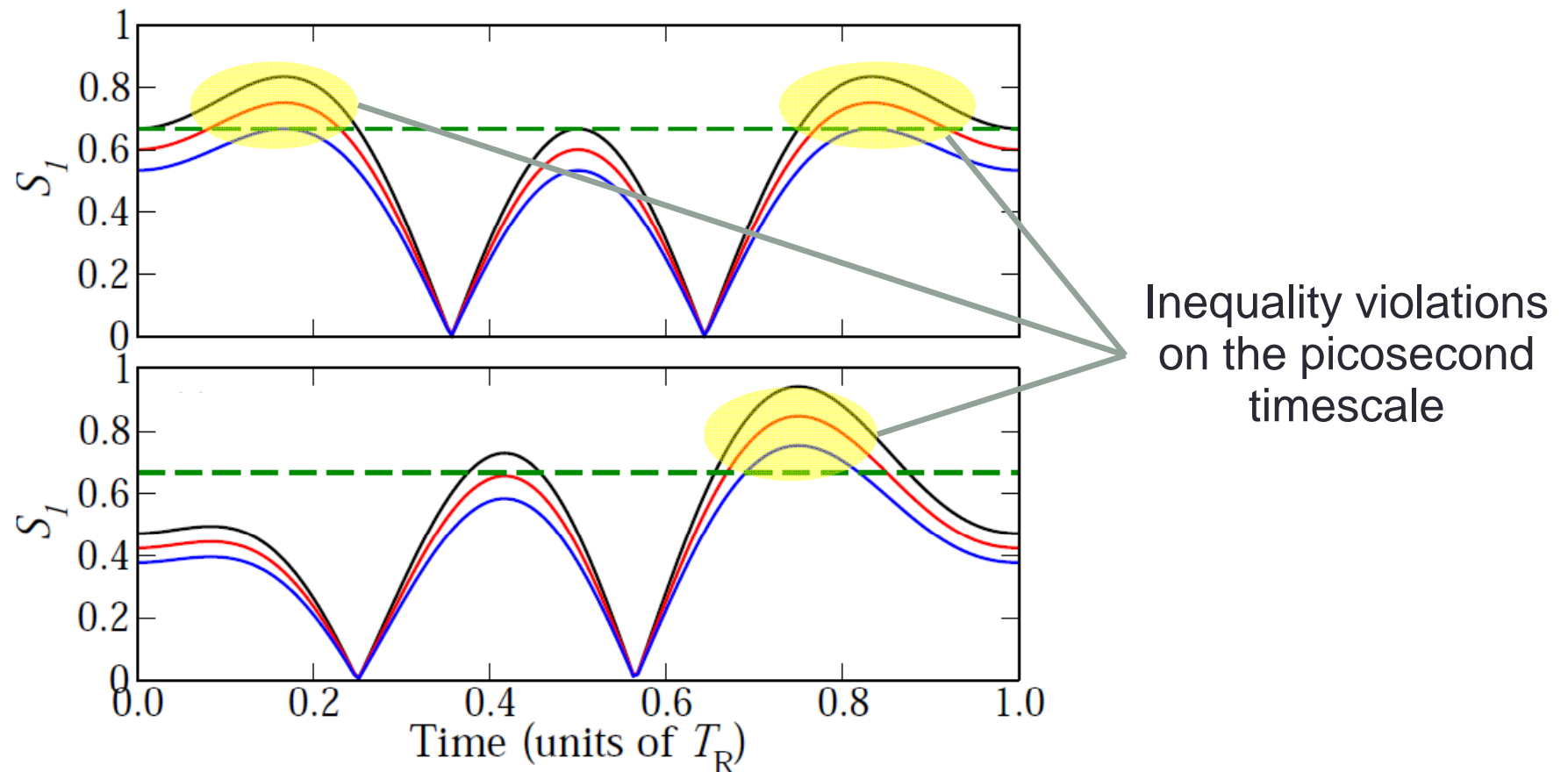
$$a^*b = |ab|e^{i\theta_{ba}} \quad t_a = t_b = 0$$
$$\omega_{10} = 2B_e/\hbar \quad t'_a = t'_b = t$$

$$|E(\vec{a}, \vec{b}) + E(\vec{a}, \vec{b}') + E(\vec{a}', \vec{b}) - E(\vec{a}', \vec{b}')| \leq 2\lambda_{\max}^2$$

# Entanglement in optical traps

- Bell inequality for orientation correlations

$$E(t_a, t_b) + E(t_a, t'_b) + E(t'_a, t_b) - E(t'_a, t'_b) \leq 2/3$$



# Phonon-induced decoherence

- Local qubit decoherence
  - External field fluctuations (classical noise)
  - Spontaneous emission (quantum noise)
- Nonlocal decoherence
  - Phonon-modulated intermolecular coupling

# Phonon-induced decoherence

- Phonon-modulated excitation hopping
  - Motion in trap modulates dipole-dipole energy
  - Optical trapping laser has intensity and frequency noise
  - Optical lattice phonons can influence system dynamics

Spin-boson model

$$\mathcal{H} = \sum_i \epsilon_{eg} \hat{c}_i^\dagger \hat{c}_i + \sum_{i,j} J_{ij} \hat{c}_i^\dagger \hat{c}_j + \sum_k \hbar \omega_k \hat{a}_k^\dagger \hat{a}_k + \sum_{i,j \neq i} \sum_k \lambda_{ij}^k \hat{c}_i^\dagger \hat{c}_j \left( \hat{a}_k + \hat{a}_k^\dagger \right)$$

system

environment

interaction

# Summary

- 1) Strong laser pulses can mediate long range entanglement in dipolar molecular gases
- 2) Arbitrary degree of entanglement can be prepared by tuning laser pulse parameters
- 3) Entangled states are robust against motional decoherence in optical lattices

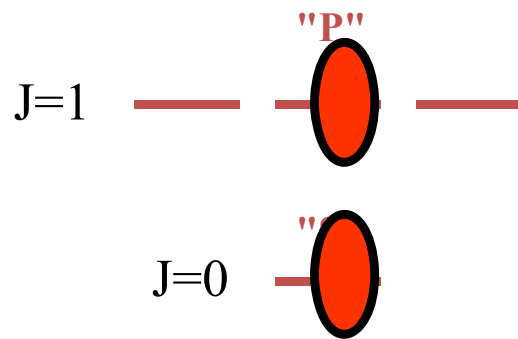
# Identifying Qubits

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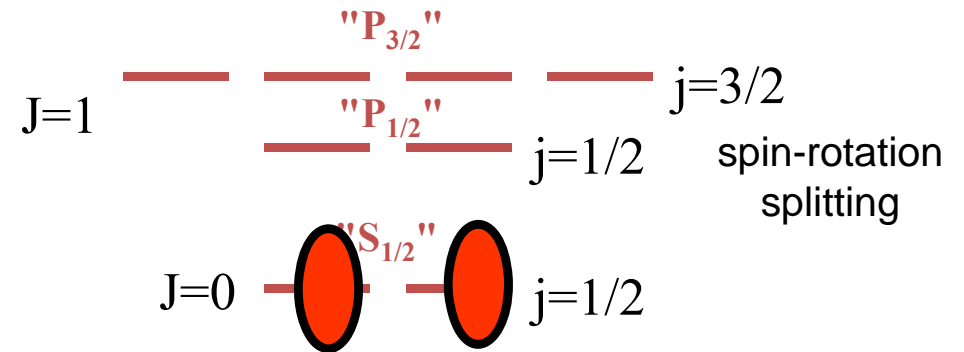
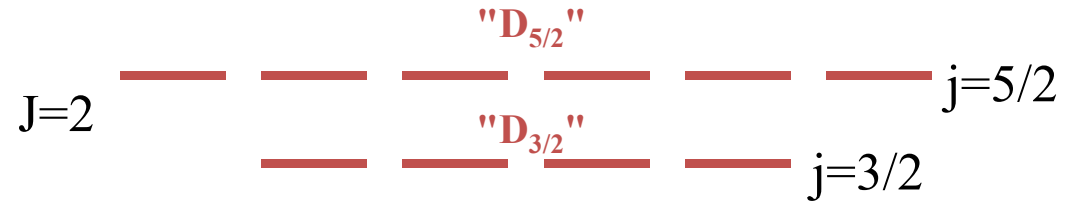
$$H = B J^2$$

- adding spin-rotation coupling ( $S=1/2$ )

$$H = B J^2 + \gamma J \cdot S$$



charge qubit



spin qubit

# Supersymmetry in Molecules

We consider a  $^1\Sigma$  molecule with a rotational constant  $B$ , a permanent dipole moment  $\mu$  along the internuclear axis, and polarizability components  $\alpha_{\parallel}$  and  $\alpha_{\perp}$  parallel and perpendicular to the internuclear axis. The molecule is subjected to an electrostatic field  $\epsilon$  combined with a nonresonant laser field of intensity  $I$ , whose linear polarization is collinear with  $\epsilon$ . With energy expressed in terms of  $B$ , the Hamiltonian takes the dimensionless form

$$H = \mathbf{J}^2 + V_{\mu,\alpha}(\theta),$$

with the angular momentum operator

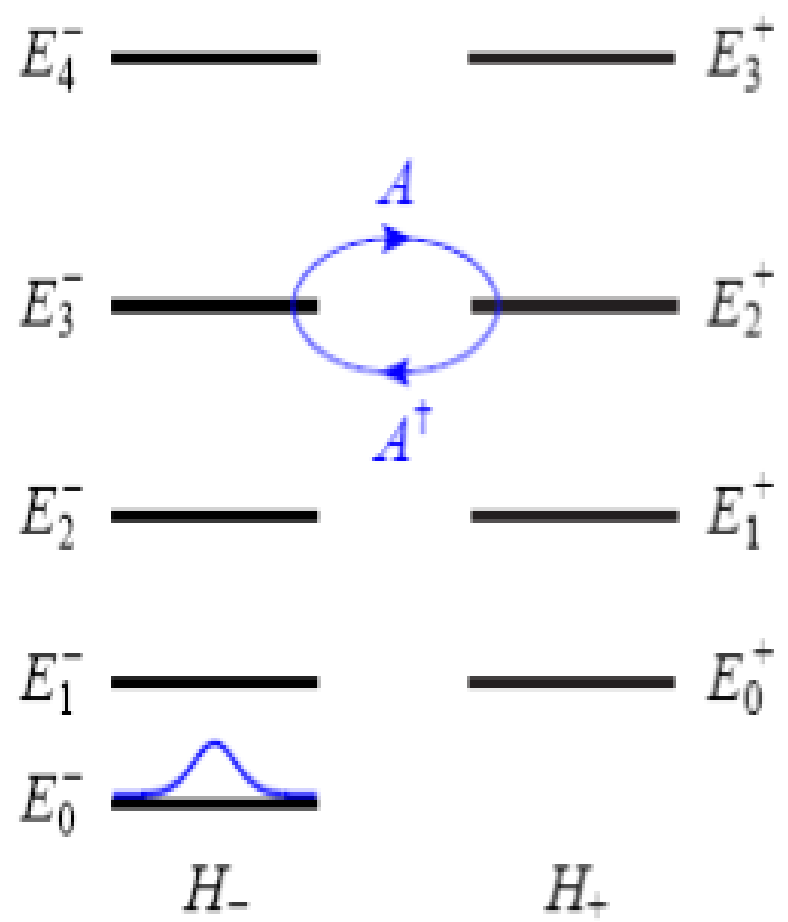
$$\mathbf{J}^2 = -\frac{1}{\sin\theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} \left( \sin\theta \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} \right) - \frac{1}{\sin^2\theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial\phi^2}$$

and the interaction potential

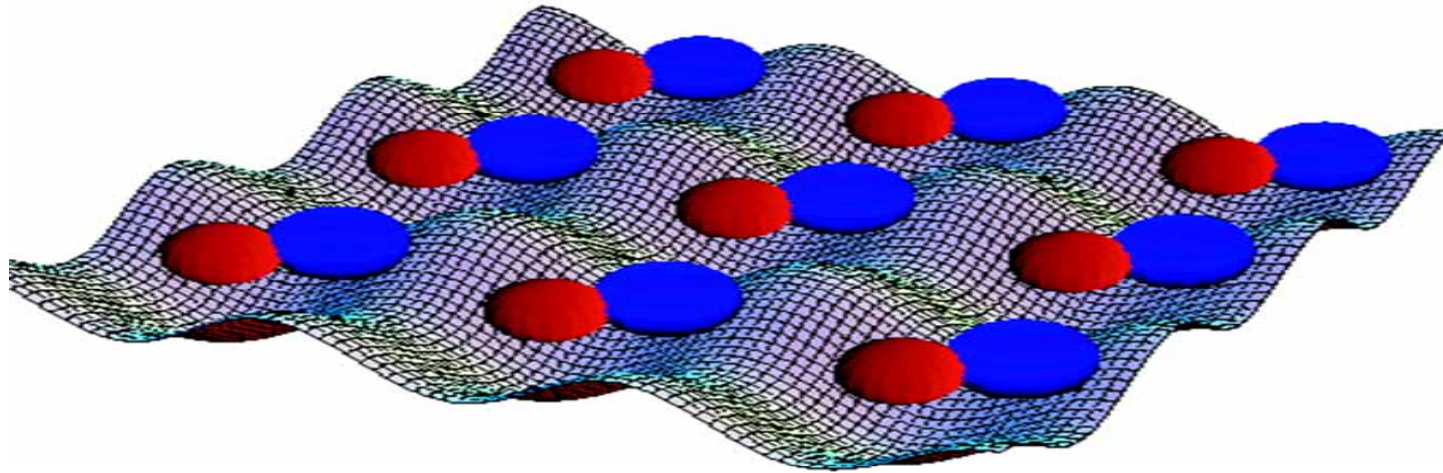
$$V_{\mu,\alpha}(\theta) = -\omega \cos\theta - (\Delta\omega \cos^2\theta + \omega_{\perp})$$

The dimensionless interaction parameters are given as  $\omega \equiv \mu\epsilon/B$  and  $\Delta\omega \equiv \omega_{\parallel} - \omega_{\perp}$ , with  $\omega_{\parallel,\perp} \equiv 2\pi\alpha_{\parallel,\perp}I/(Bc)$ .





Advances in the field of ultracold atomic and molecular gases give us the capability to engineer a wide range of quantum systems



The possibilities are almost limitless, with real-time control over features such as lattice structure, density, temperature, level of impurities and disorder, quantum statistics, spin, dimensionality, and interactions by changing the symmetry, strength, and range.

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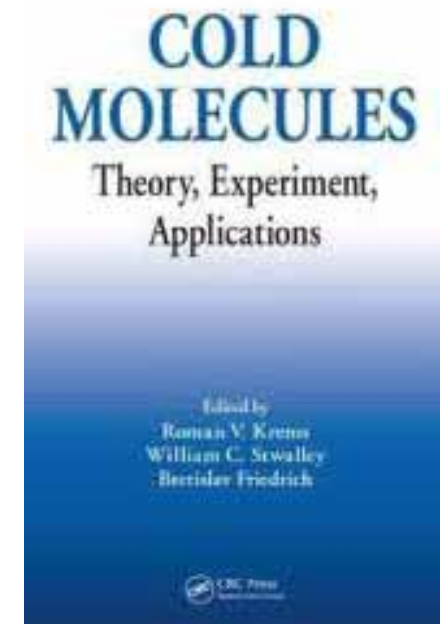
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- Applications include:
  - Cold chemistry and controlled collisions
  - Dipolar effects in quantum gases
  - Quantum simulation of condensed matter
  - Precision measurements
  - Quantum information processing

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