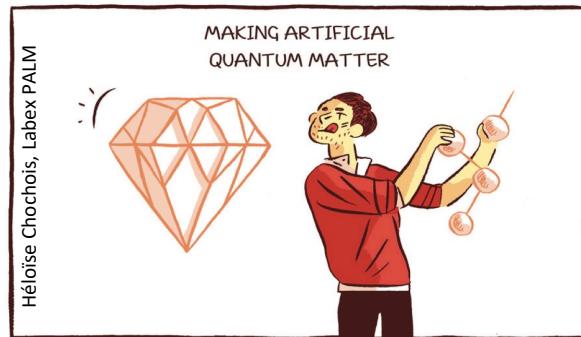


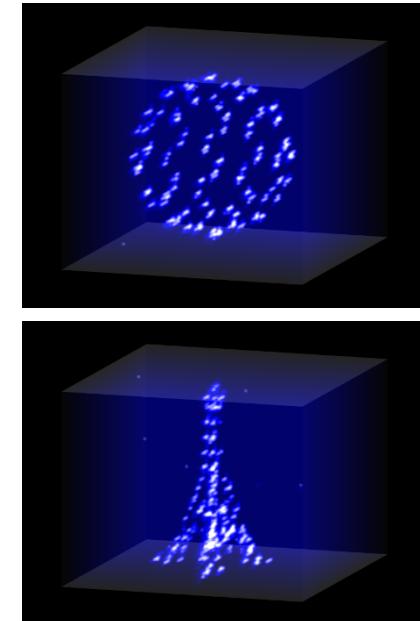
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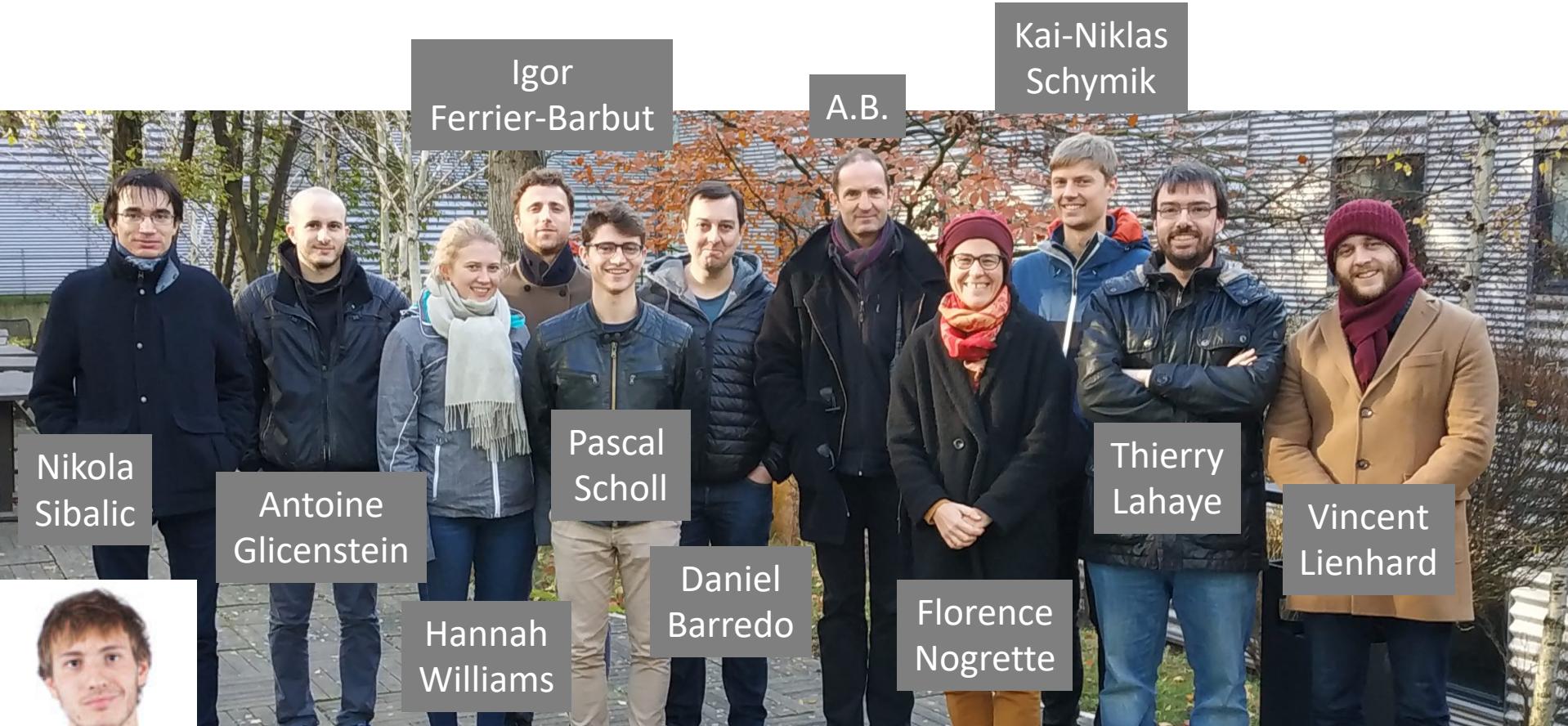
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Quantum Science Seminar, July 23<sup>rd</sup> 2020



# The team (atom-tweezers-io.org)



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# Many-body physics with synthetic matter

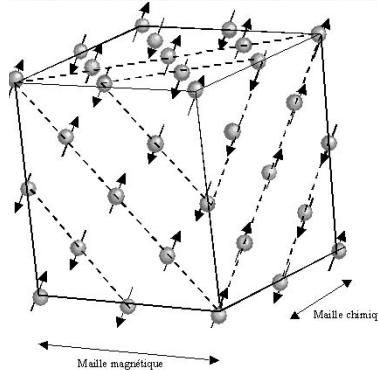
**Goal:** Understand ensembles of **interacting quantum particles**



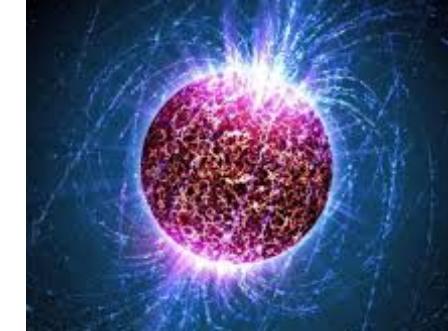
superfluidity



superconductivity



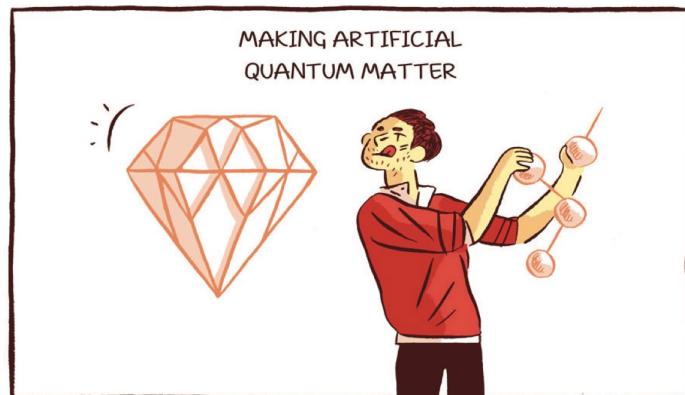
magnetism



neutron star

**Open questions:** Phase diagram, **dynamics** (hard for  $N>40...$ )

**Topology**, disorder, entanglement,...



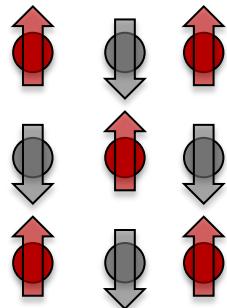
R.P. Feynman

**Use experimental control to**  
**Implement many-body Hamiltonians**  
(including “mathematical” ones...)

Larger **tunability** than « real » systems

# Spin models: one of the “simplest” many-body systems

Interacting spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  particles on a lattice:



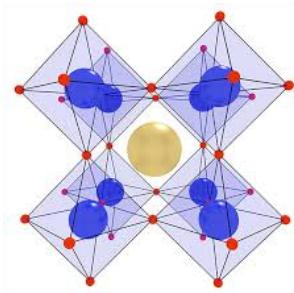
Ising

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{i \neq j} J_{ij} \hat{\sigma}_z^{(i)} \hat{\sigma}_z^{(j)}$$

XY model

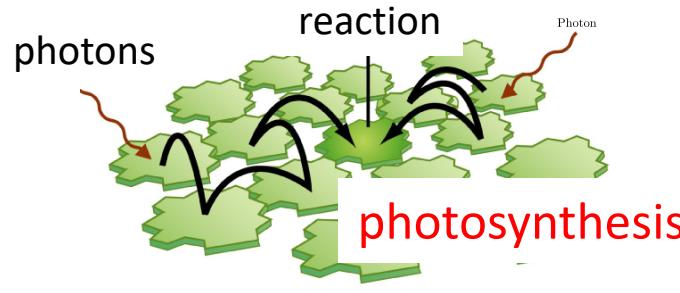
$$\hat{H} = \sum_{i \neq j} J_{ij} (\hat{\sigma}_i^+ \hat{\sigma}_j^- + \hat{\sigma}_i^- \hat{\sigma}_j^+)$$

Magnetism

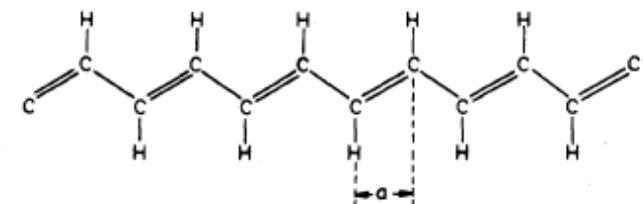


Perovskite  
 $\text{Y}_2\text{Ti}_2\text{O}_7$

Transport of excitations



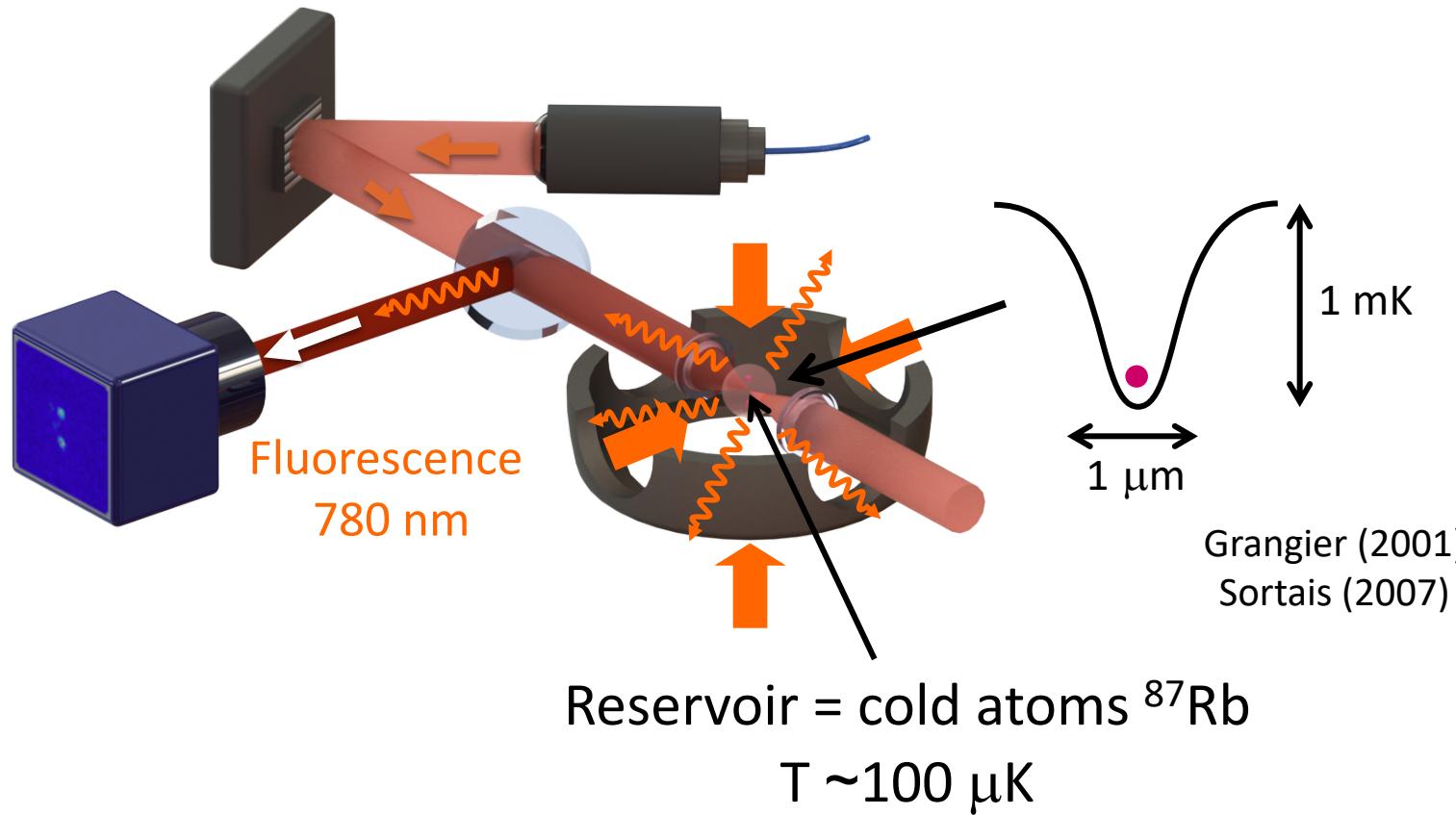
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Light scattering

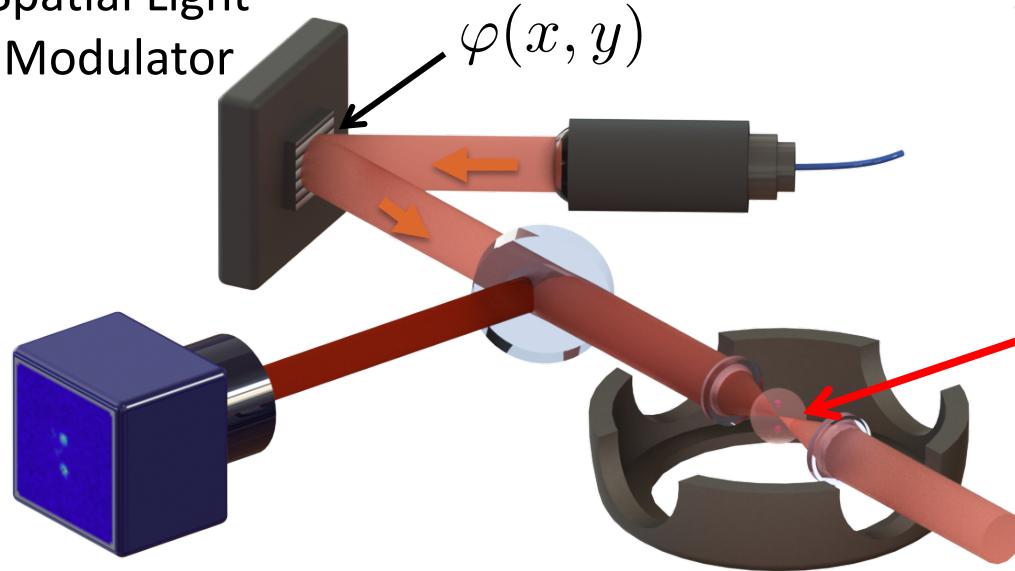
Realizations: artificial atoms (QD, circuits...), molecules, ions, atoms (lattices, magnetic), photons, photon + atoms, ...

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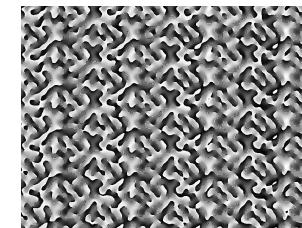


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Spatial Light  
Modulator



$2\pi$   
0



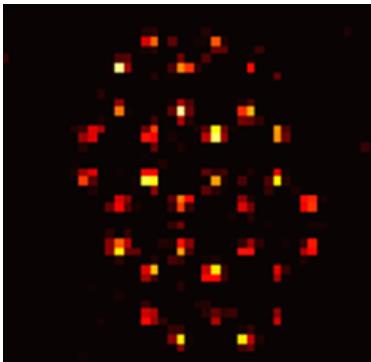
SLM pattern

Nogrette, PRX (2014)

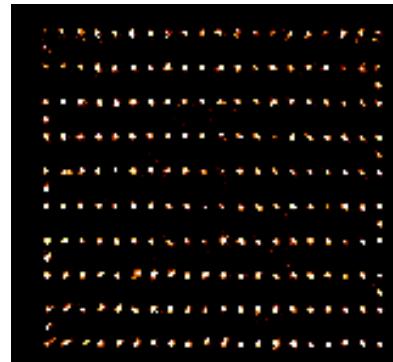
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## Assembled arrays of individual atoms ( $N \sim 200$ )

$\sim 3\text{-}10 \mu\text{m}$



Fluorescence: single shot!!



L. da Vinci

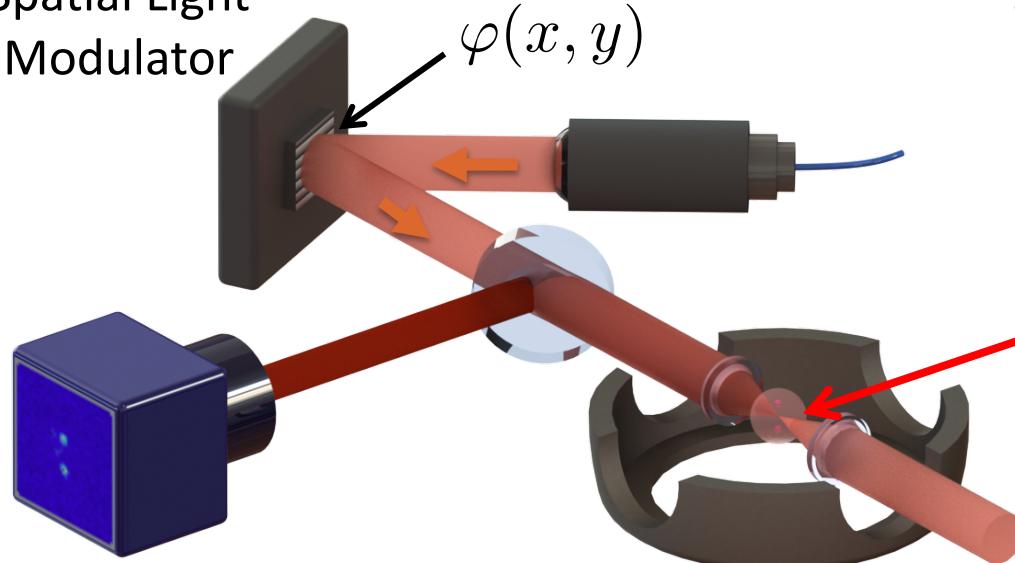


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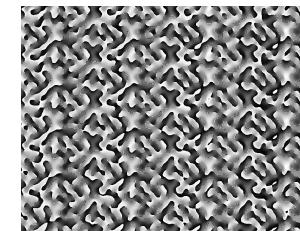
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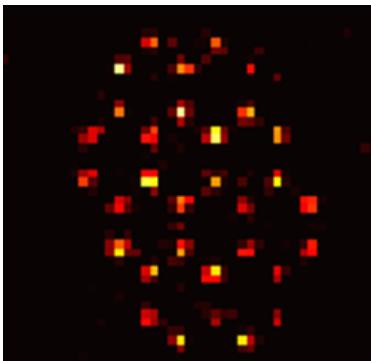
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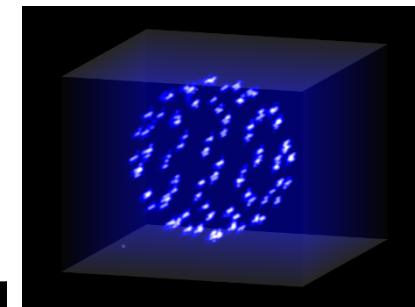
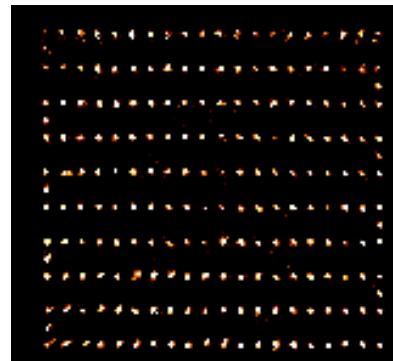
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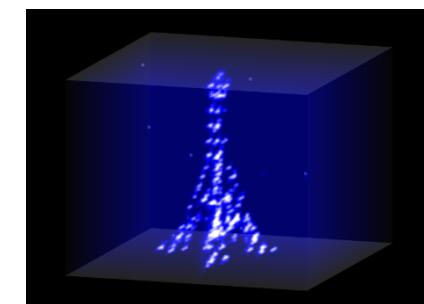
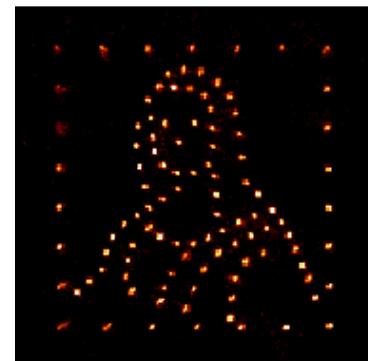
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Fluorescence: single shot!!



(averaged)



Barredo, Science (2016)

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# Outline



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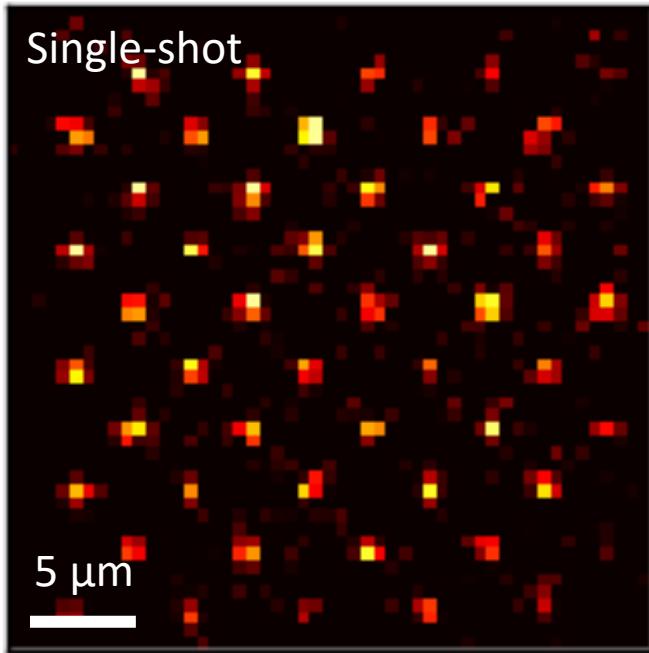
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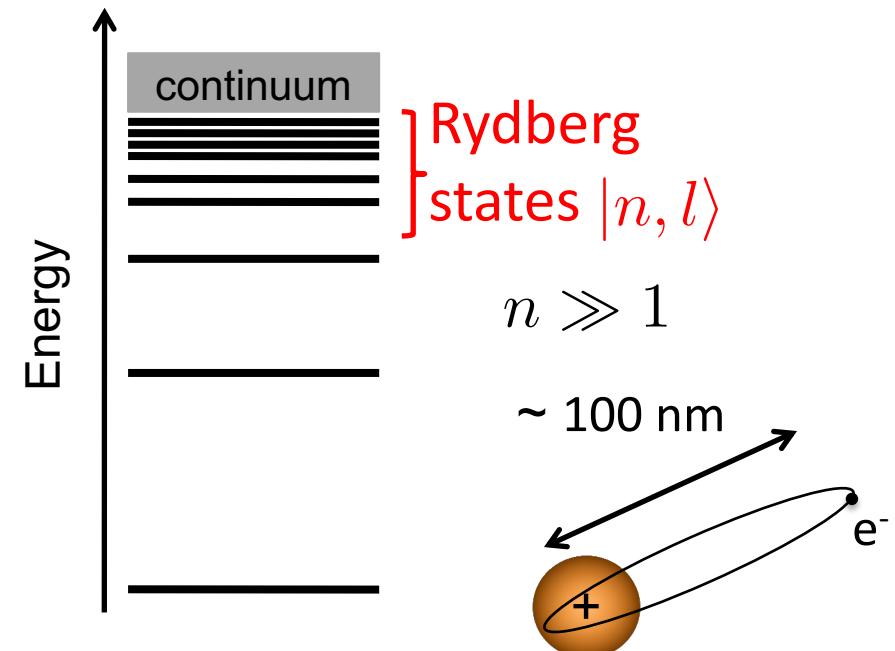
# Arrays of interacting Rydberg atoms

## Arrays of atoms



Addressable!!

## Rydberg atoms



Lifetime  $> 100 \mu\text{s}$   
Transition dipole:  $d \sim n^2 e a_0$

⇒ Large dipole-dipole interactions

$$R = 10 \mu\text{m} \Rightarrow V_{\text{int}}/h \sim 1 - 10 \text{ MHz}$$

⇒ timescales < μsec

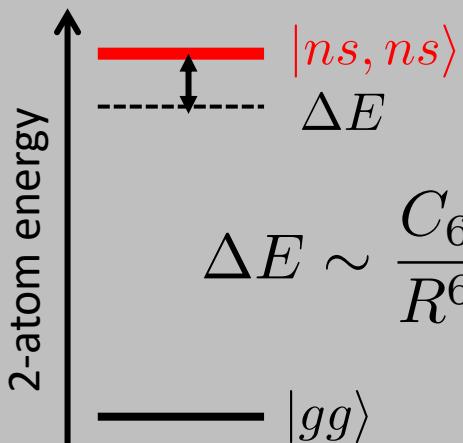
Lukin, Zoller 2000  
Saffman, RMP 2010

Browaeys, Nat Phys 2020

# Interactions between Rydberg atoms

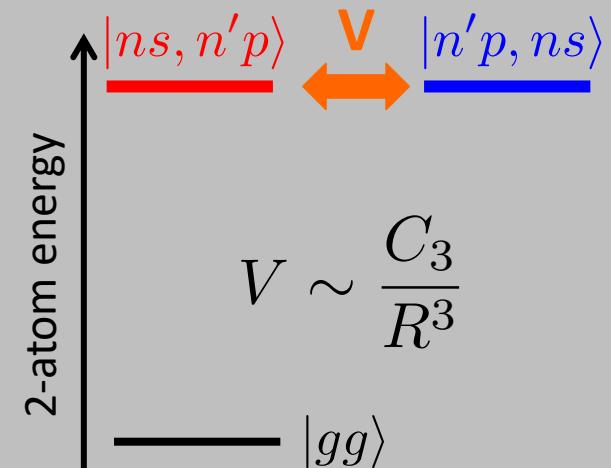


## van der Waals



Ising-like model

## Resonant dipole

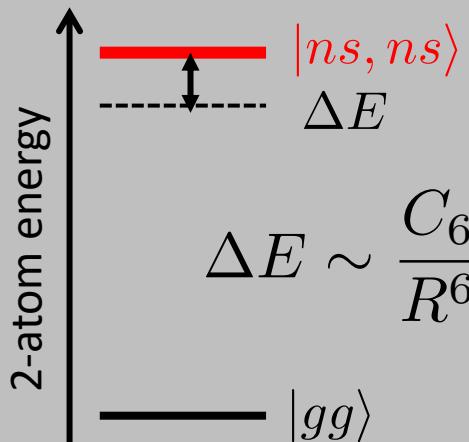


XY model

# From van der Waals interactions to Ising model...



## van der Waals

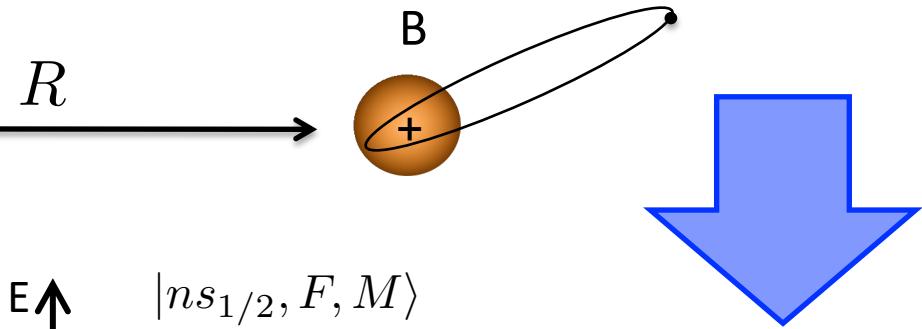
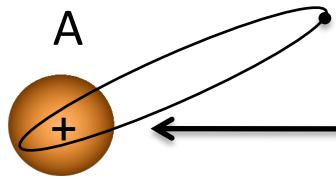


$C_6 \propto n^{11} \Rightarrow$  switchable interaction

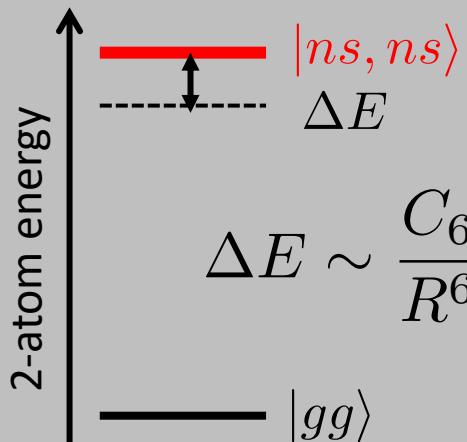
$$\hat{H}_{\text{int}} = \frac{C_6}{R^6} \hat{n}_1 \hat{n}_2$$

Rydberg occupation number

# From van der Waals interactions to Ising model...



## van der Waals



$$\Delta E \sim \frac{C_6}{R^6}$$

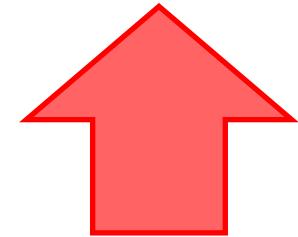
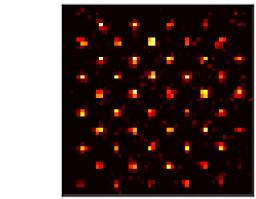
$|ns_{1/2}, F, M\rangle$

1013 nm

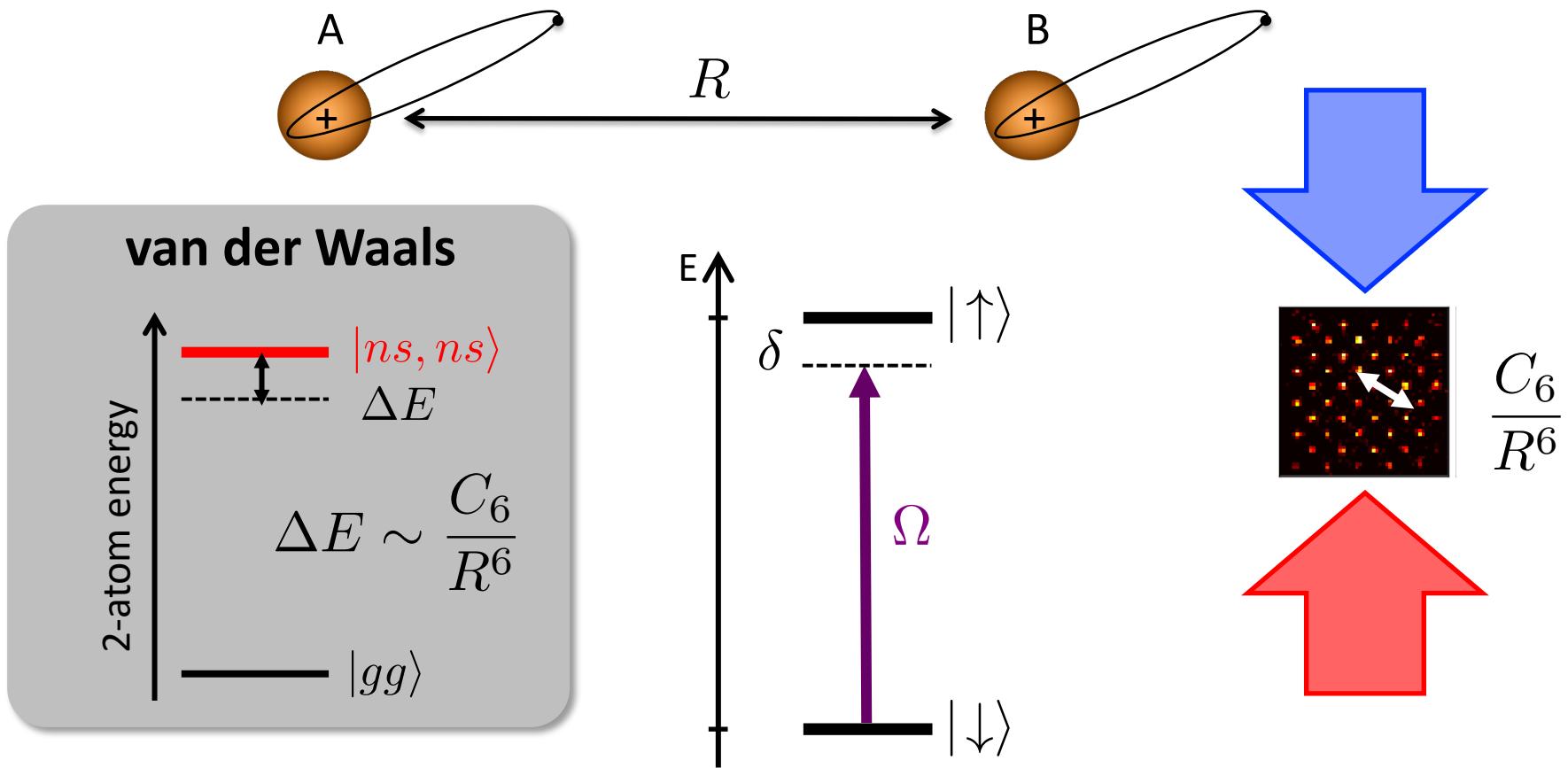
$6p_{3/2}$

421 nm

$|5s_{1/2}, F = 2, M = 2\rangle$



# From van der Waals interactions to Ising model...



Quantum Ising-like model ( $s=\frac{1}{2}$ ):

$$H = \frac{\hbar\Omega}{2} \sum_i \sigma_x^i + \hbar\delta \sum_i \hat{n}_i + \sum_{i < j} \frac{C_6}{R_{ij}^6} \hat{n}_i \hat{n}_j$$

Transverse B

Longitudinal B

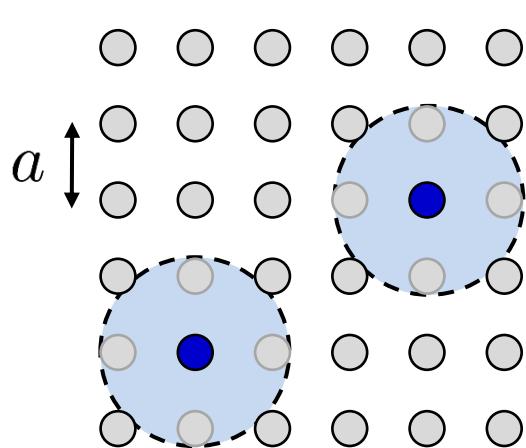
Spin-spin interaction

Experiment.

$$\frac{C_6/a^6}{\Omega} = [0 - 20]$$

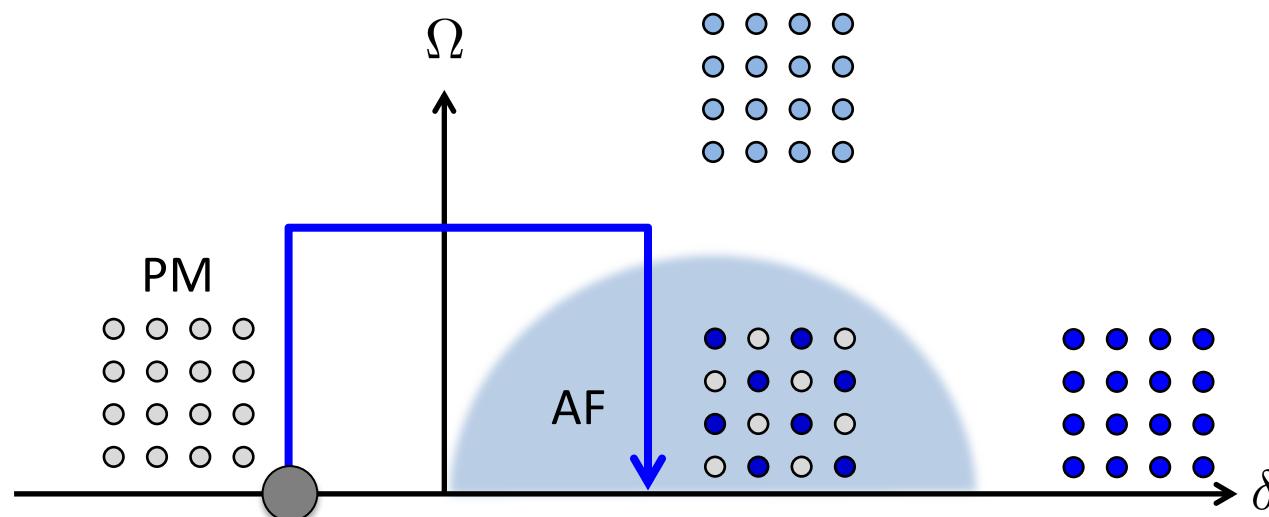
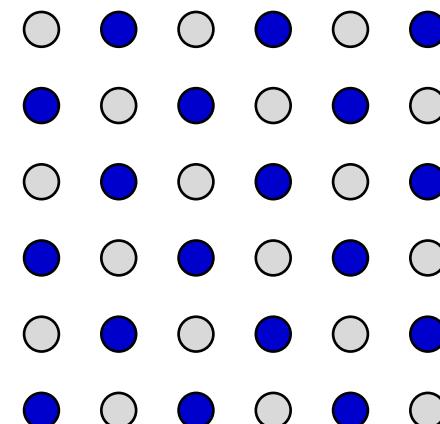
# 2D Ising anti-ferromagnet

Nearest neighb. interaction



$$\frac{C_6}{a^6} \sim \Omega$$

Anti-ferromagnetic ground state

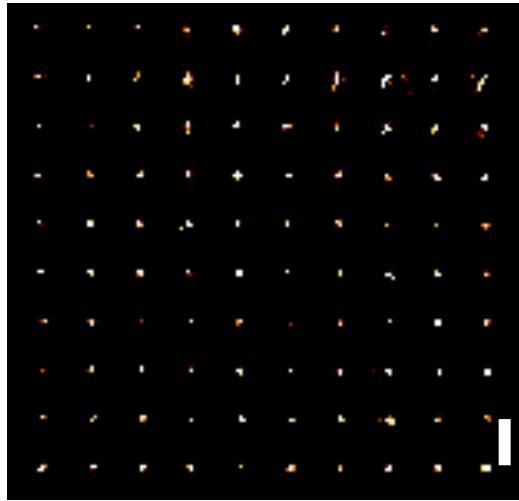


$$H = \sum_i \left( \frac{\hbar\Omega(t)}{2} \sigma_x^i - \hbar\delta(t) \hat{n}_i \right) + \sum_{i < j} \frac{C_6}{R_{ij}^6} \hat{n}_i \hat{n}_j$$

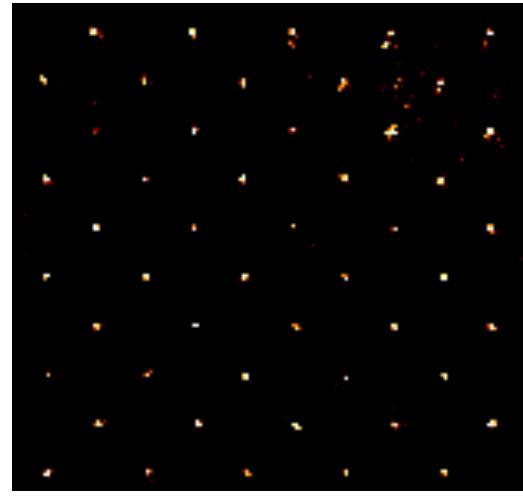
# Adiabatic preparation of a 2D Ising anti-ferromagnet

Work in progress

$10 \times 10$  square array

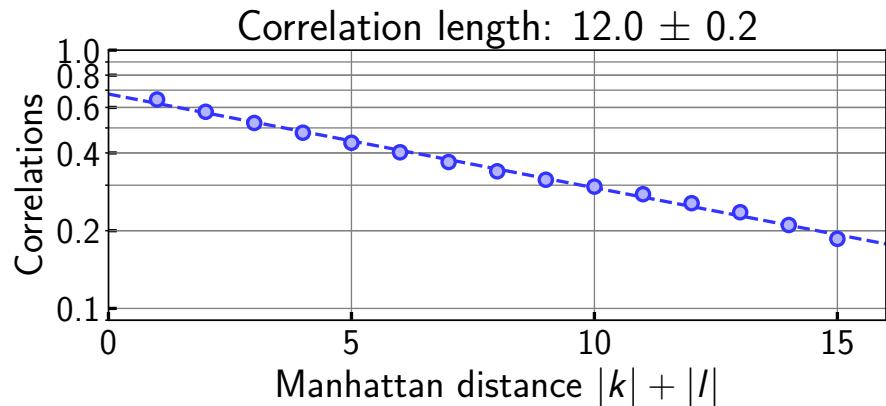
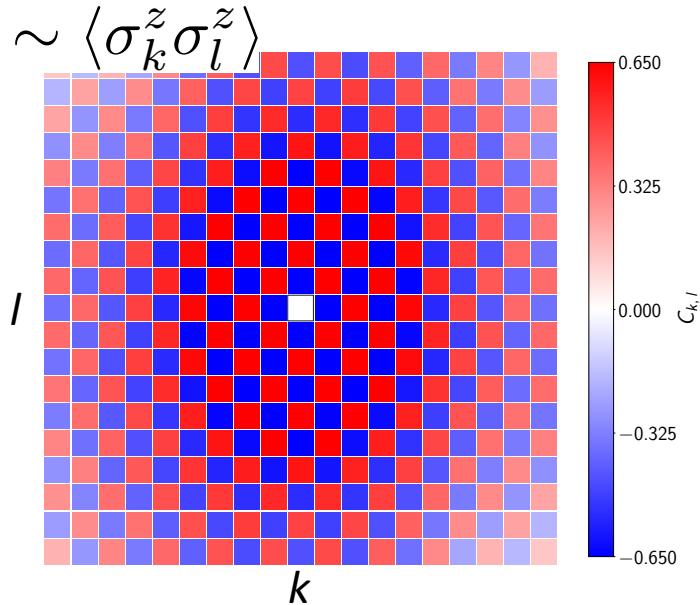


sweep  
 $n=75s$



10 μm

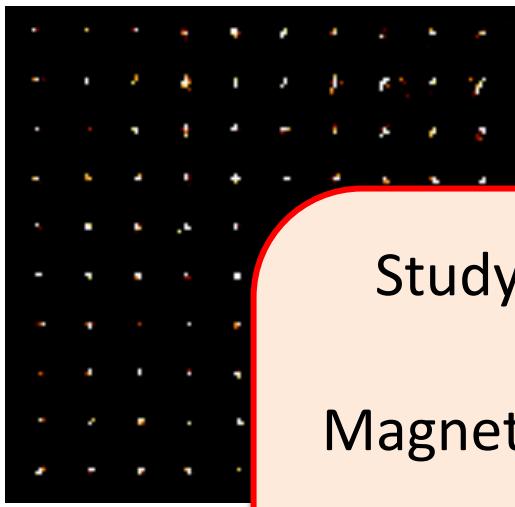
Missing atoms = Rydberg  
**Perfect AF (Néel) ordering!**  
(1 shot in 500)



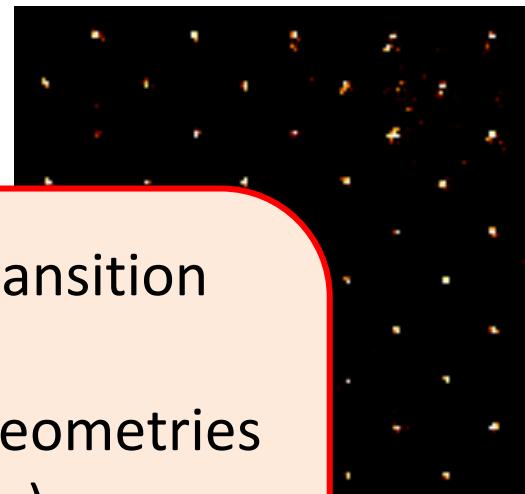
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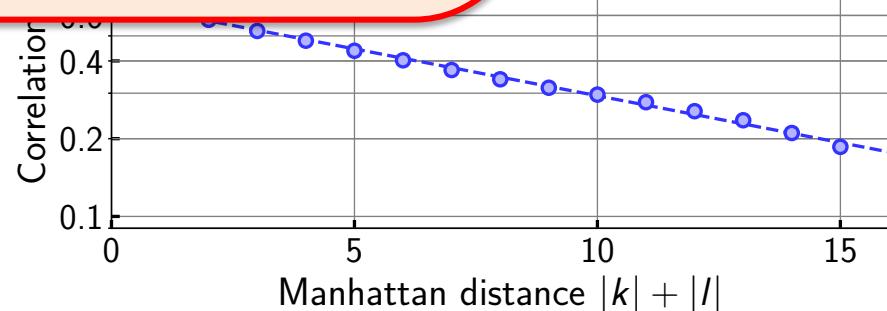
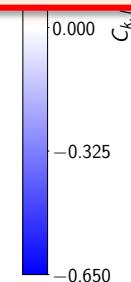
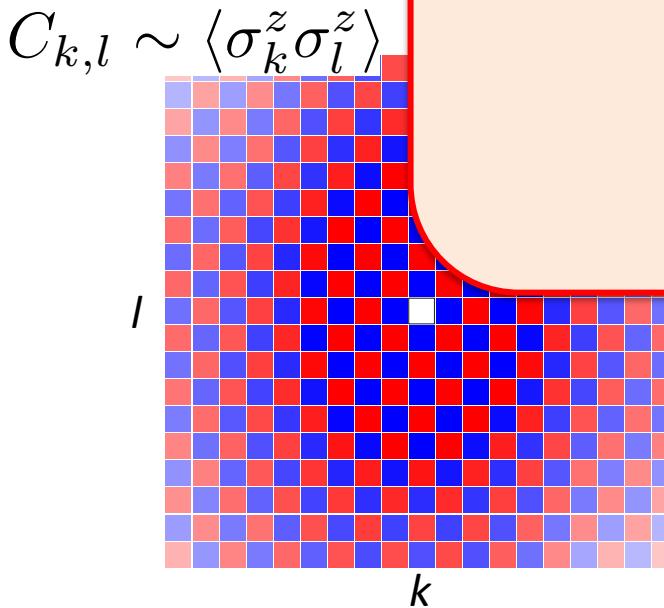
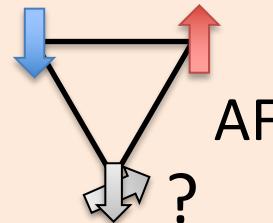


Early work in 2D: Lienhard PRX 2018, Bakr PRX 2018



Study quantum phase transition

Magnetism in frustrated geometries  
(triangle, Kagomé...)



1D: Pohl PRL 2010; Bloch Science 2015; Lukin Nature 2017, 2019

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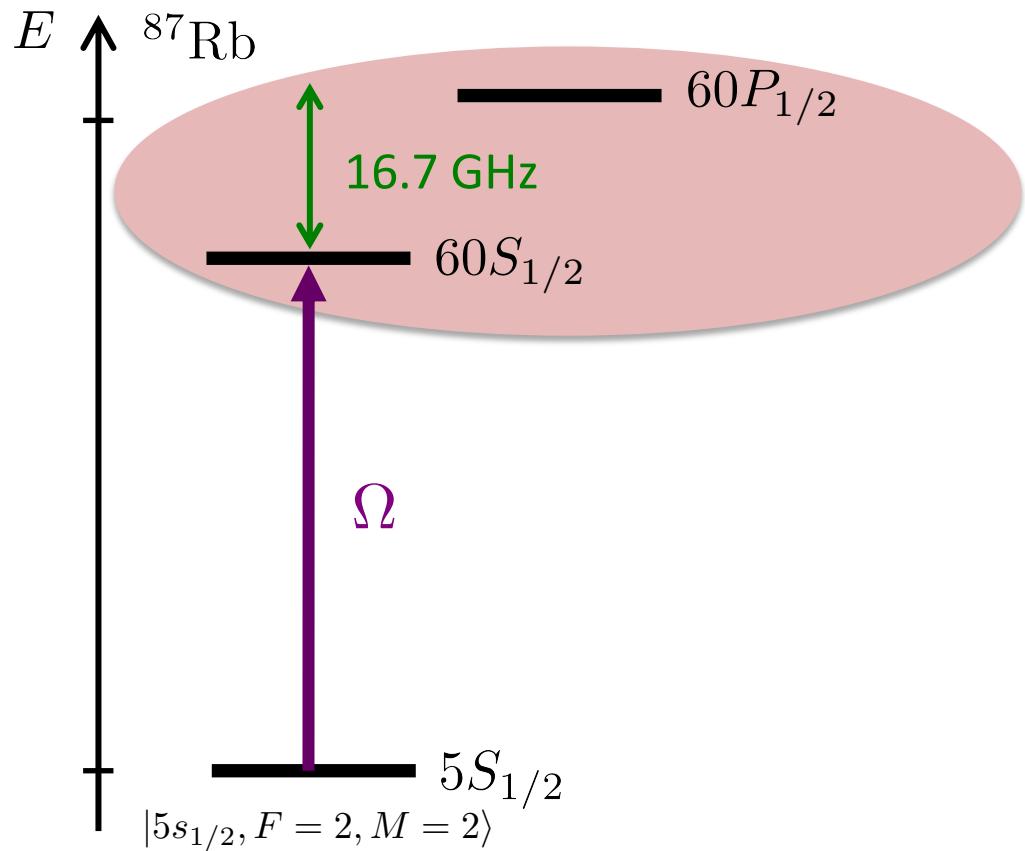
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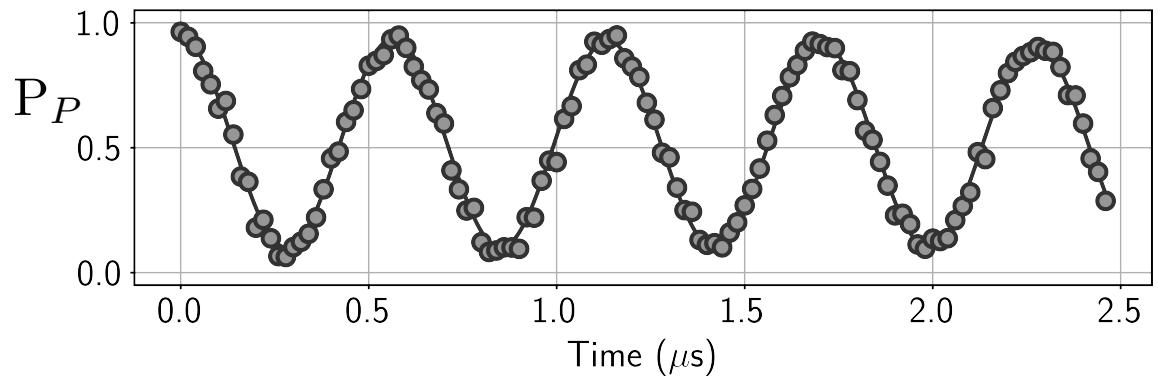
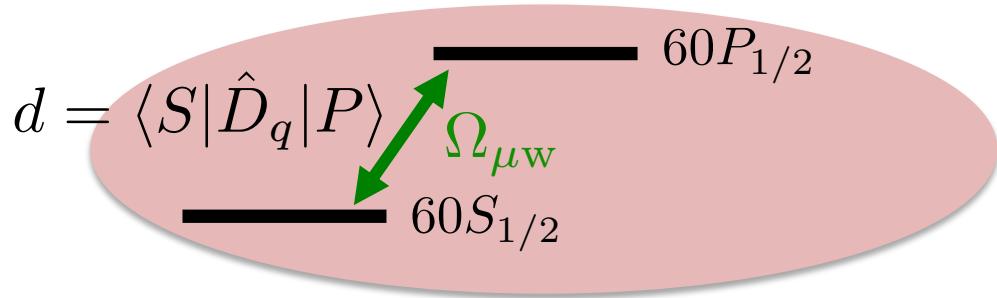
[Science 365, 775 \(2019\)](#)

3. Collective light scattering and resonant dip. interactions

# Resonant dipole-dipole interaction between Rydberg atoms

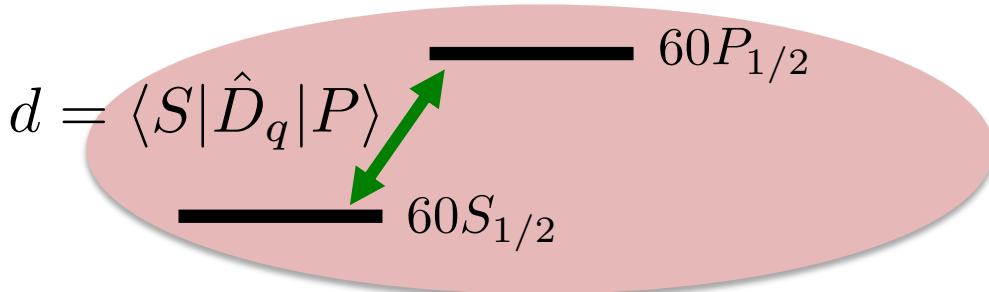


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D. Barredo, PRL **114**, 113002 (2015)

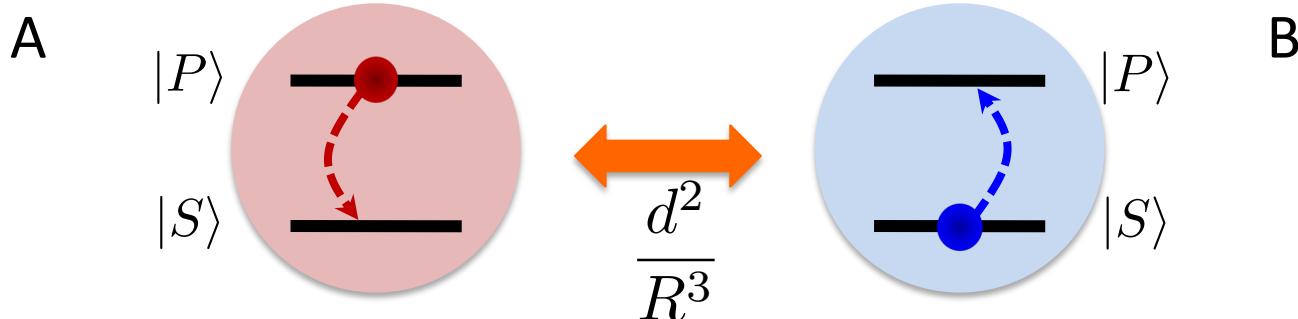
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Mapping on spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  system:

$$|S\rangle = |\downarrow\rangle$$

$$|P\rangle = |\uparrow\rangle$$



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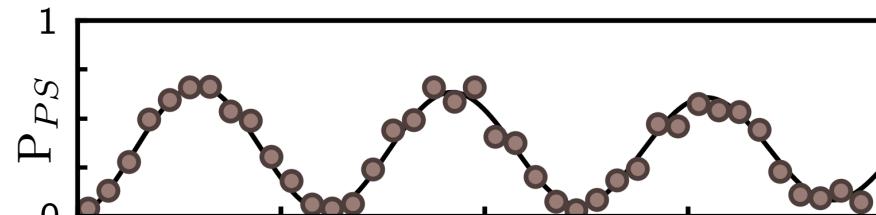
“exchange” of  $P$  excitation (XY model)

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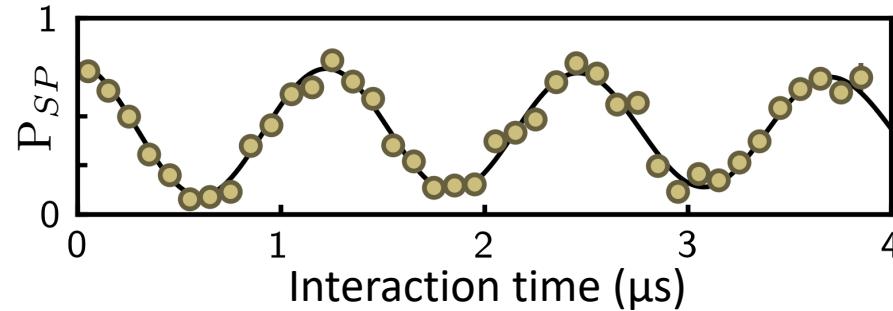
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$$R = 30 \text{ } \mu\text{m}$$

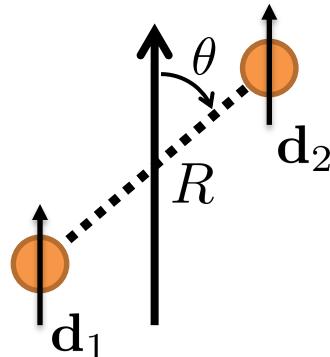
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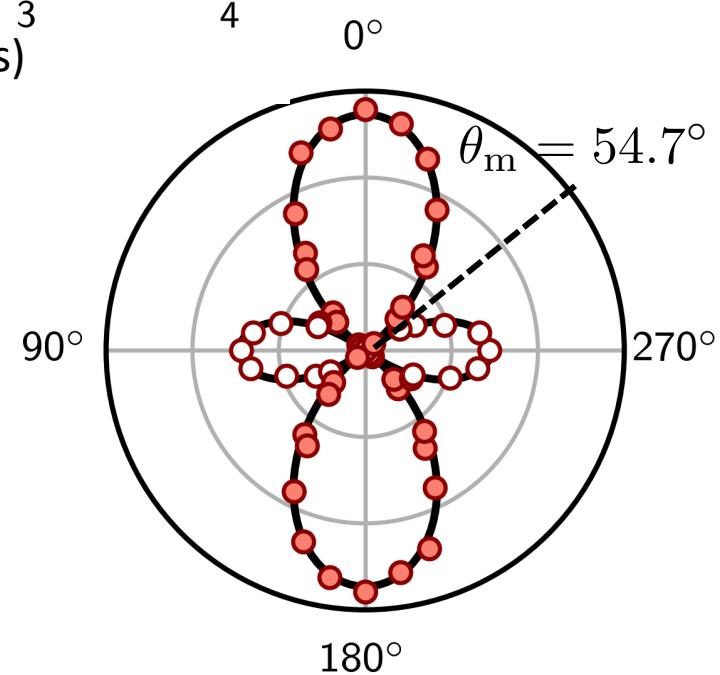
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de Léséleuc, PRL (2017)



Quantization  
axis (B)



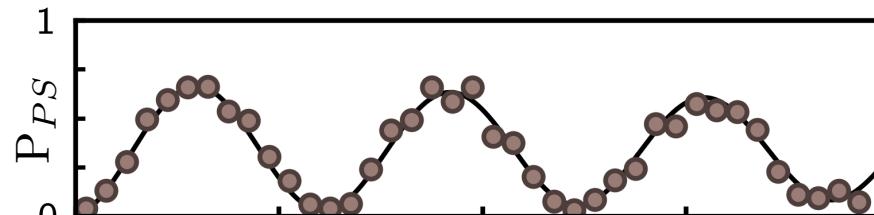
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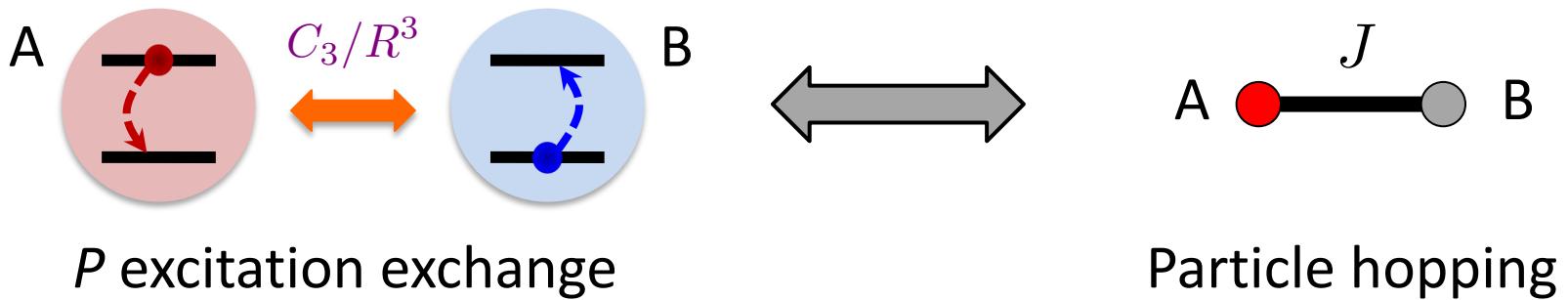
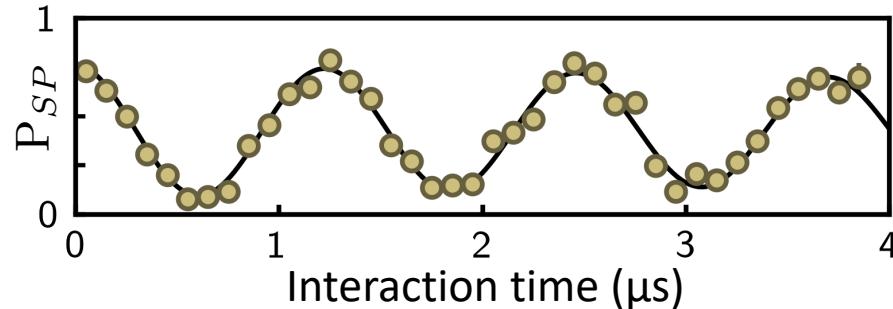
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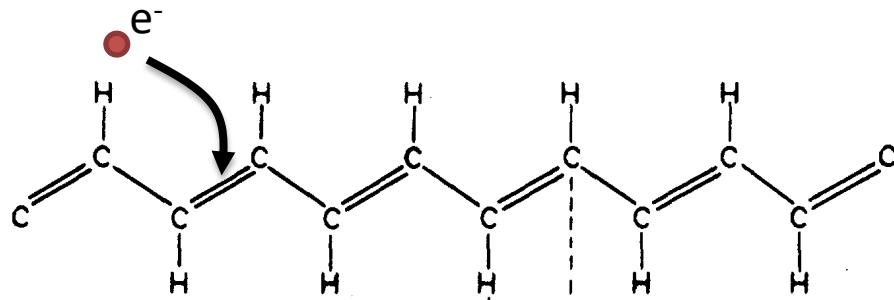
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$$J|A\rangle\langle B|$$

# The Su-Schrieffer-Heeger model

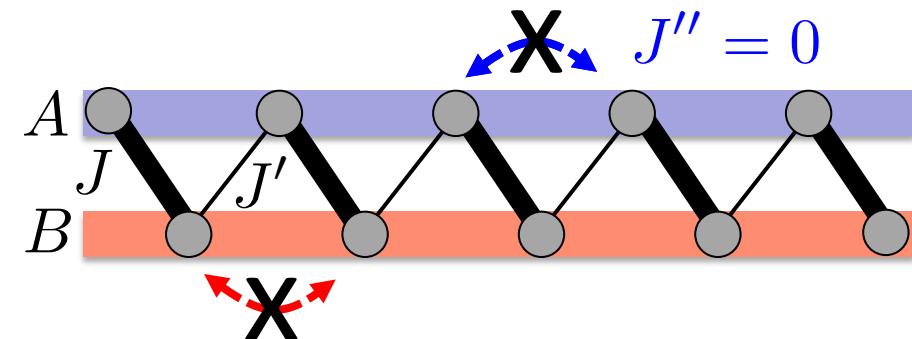


Electronic transport in  
polyacetylene

PRL 42, 1698 (1979)

Now, considered as simplest example of **topological** model

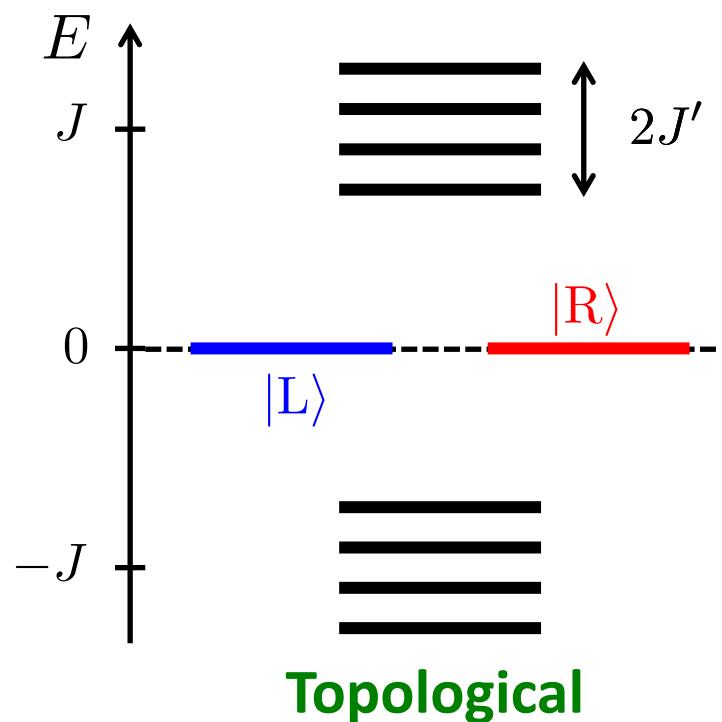
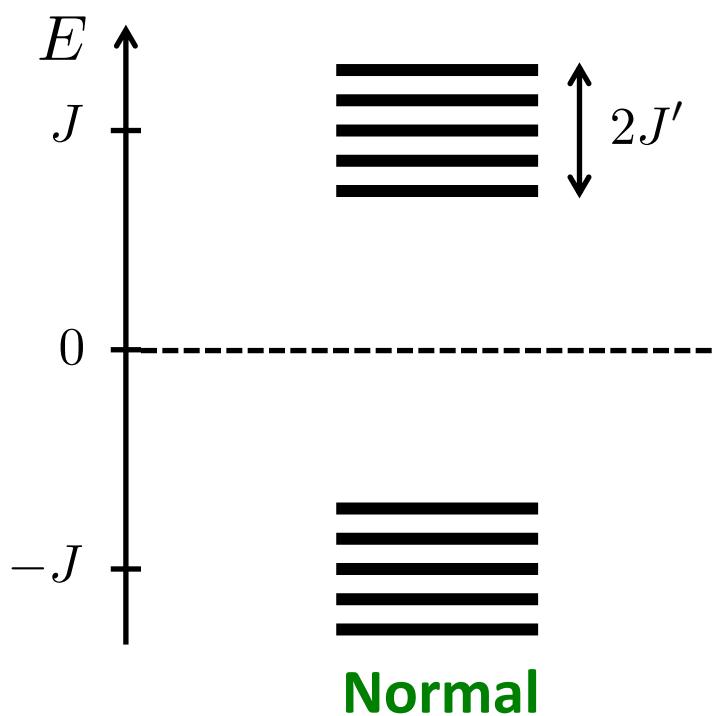
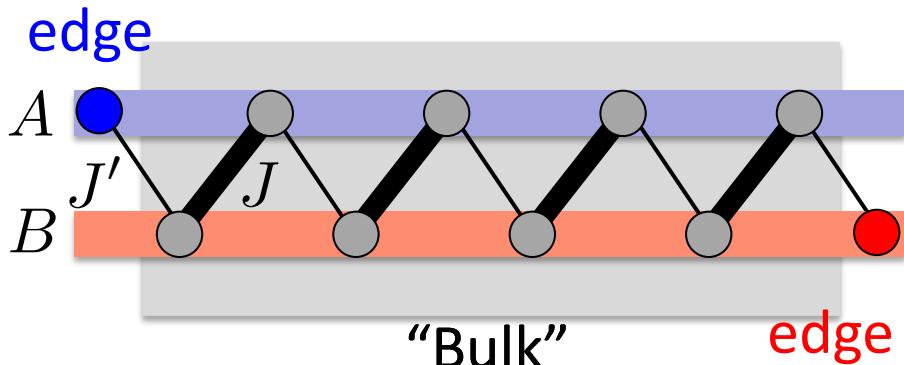
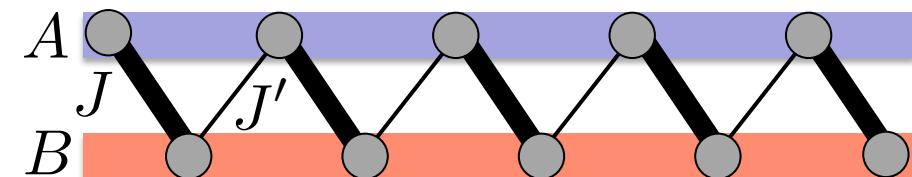
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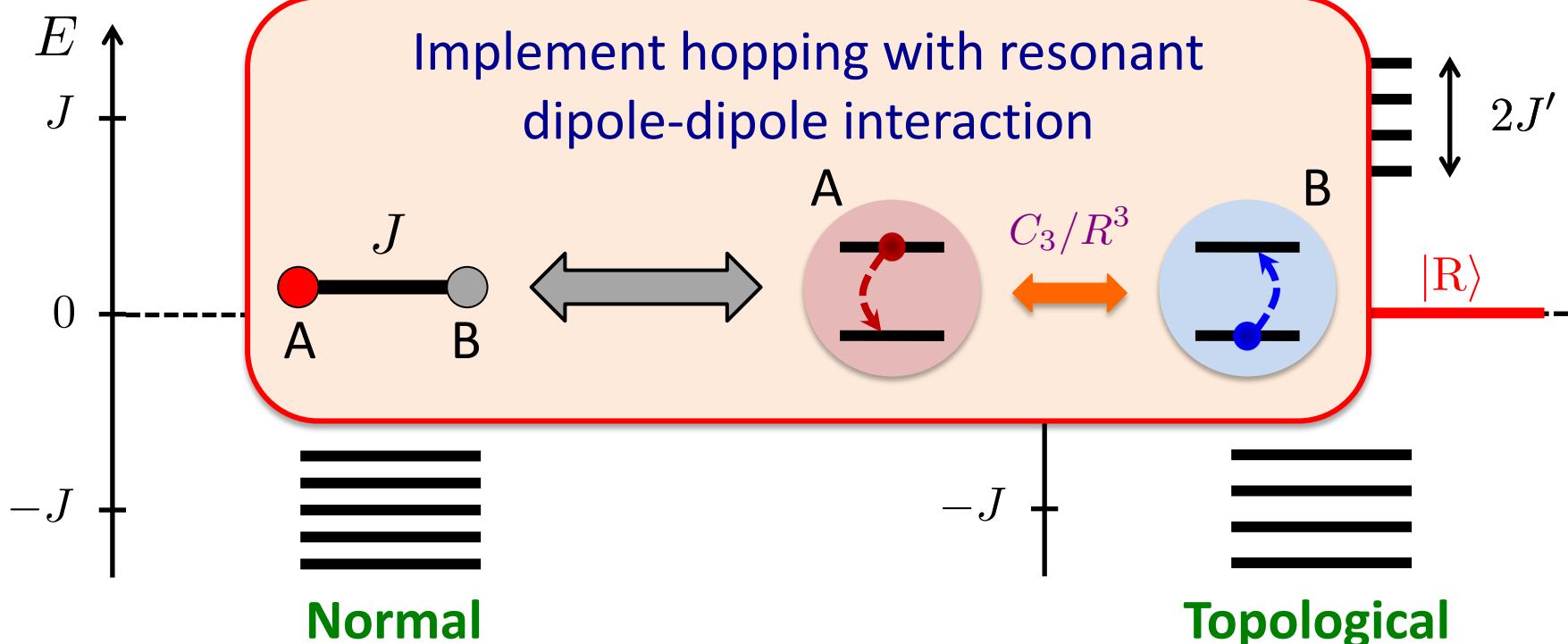
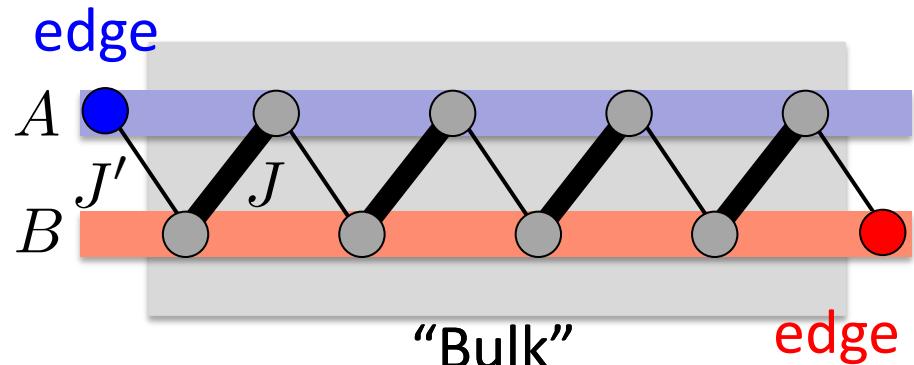
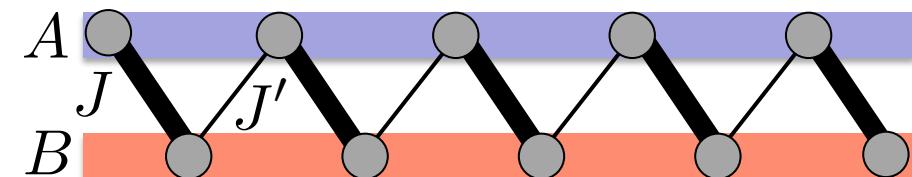
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**Sub-lattice symmetry**  $\Rightarrow$  symmetric **single particle** spectrum

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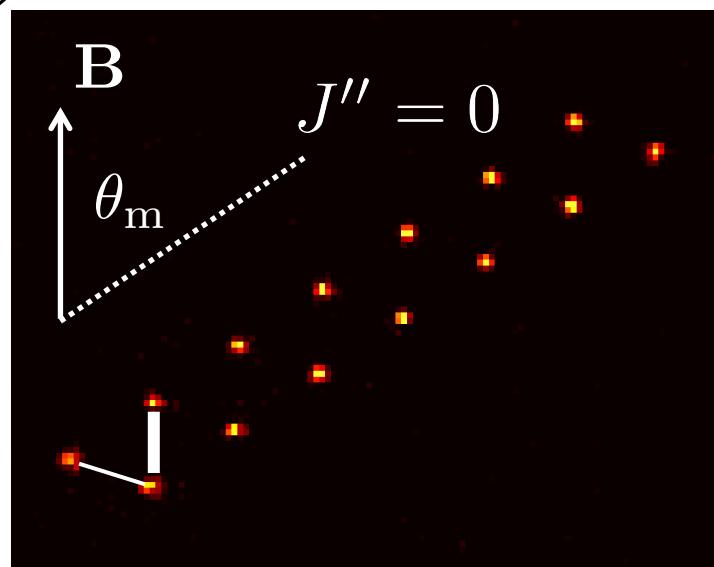
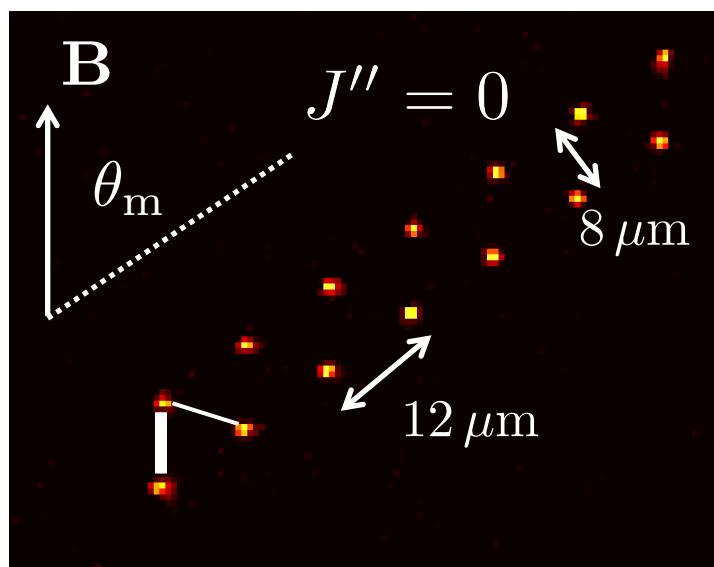
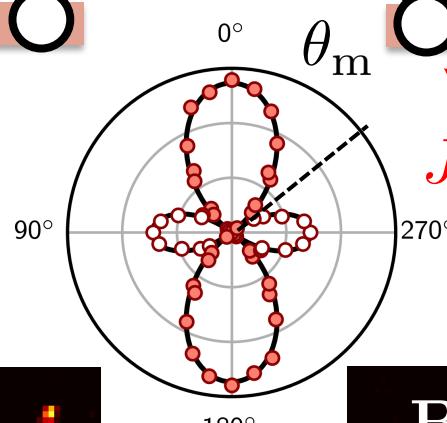
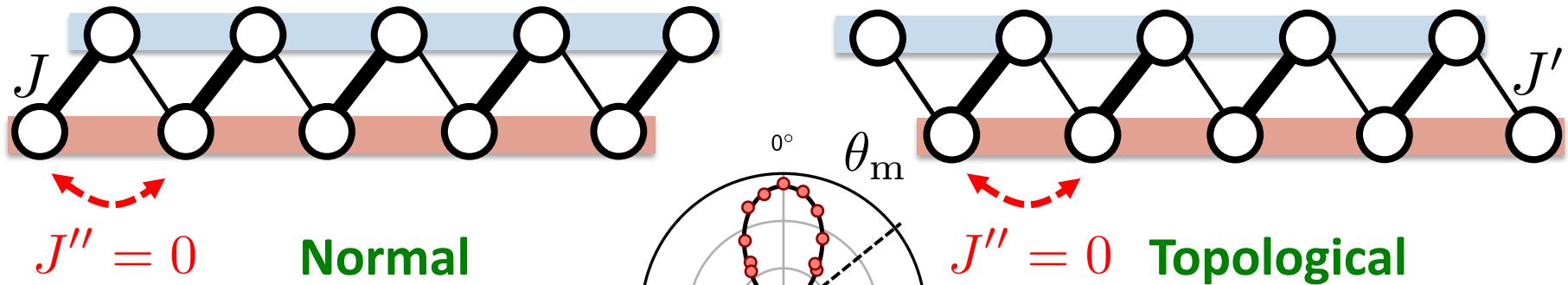


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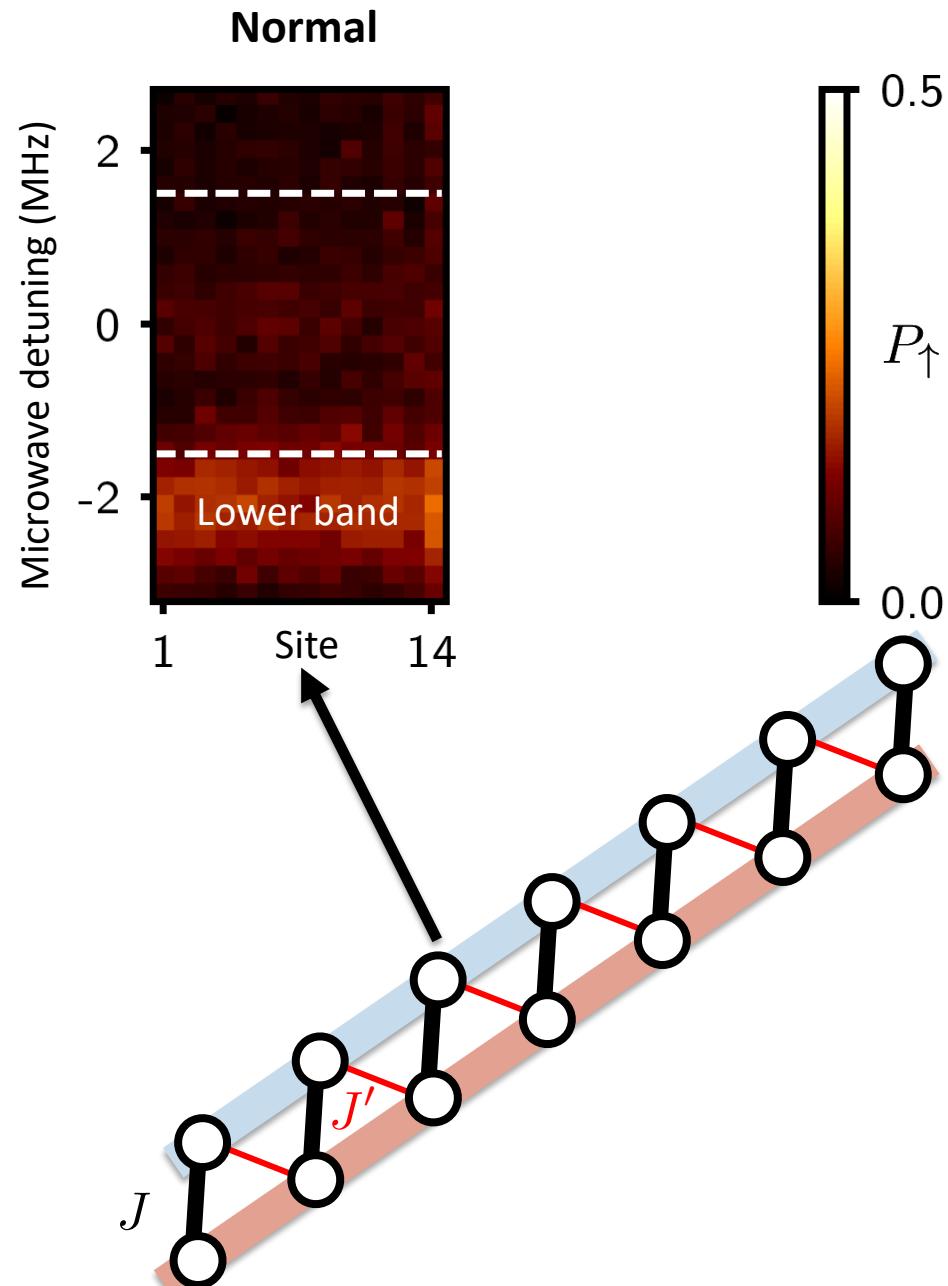
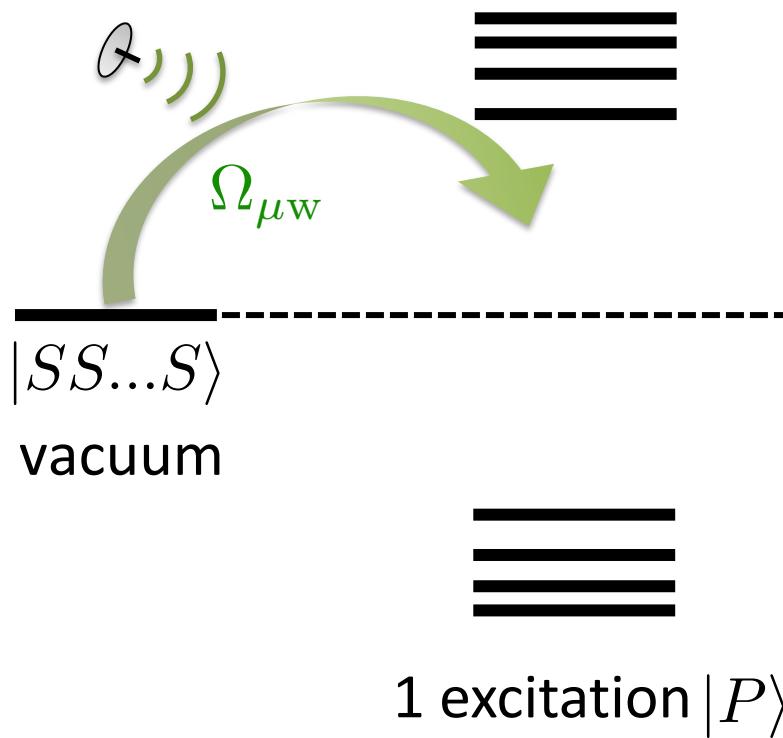
# Implementation of SSH spin chain with Rydberg atoms

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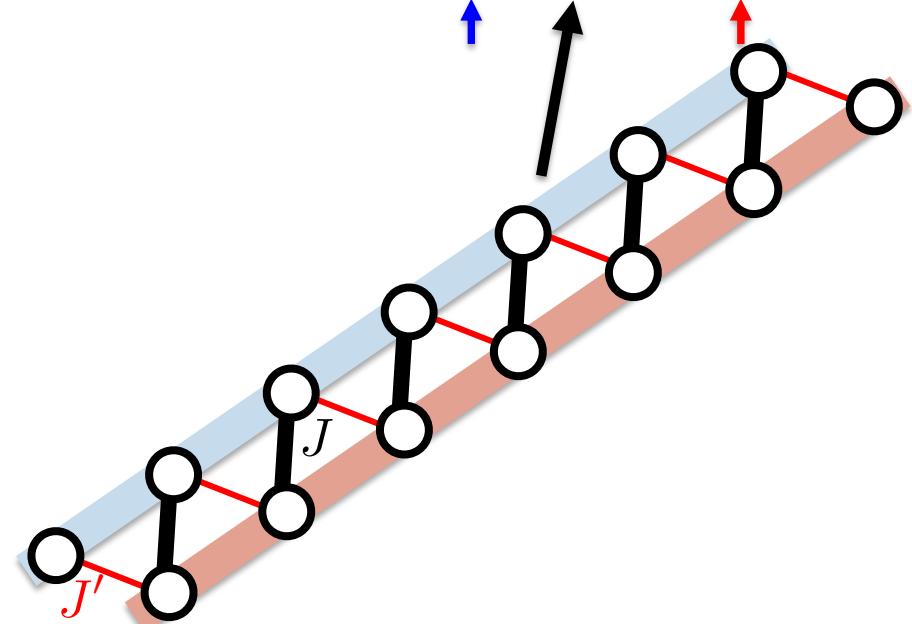
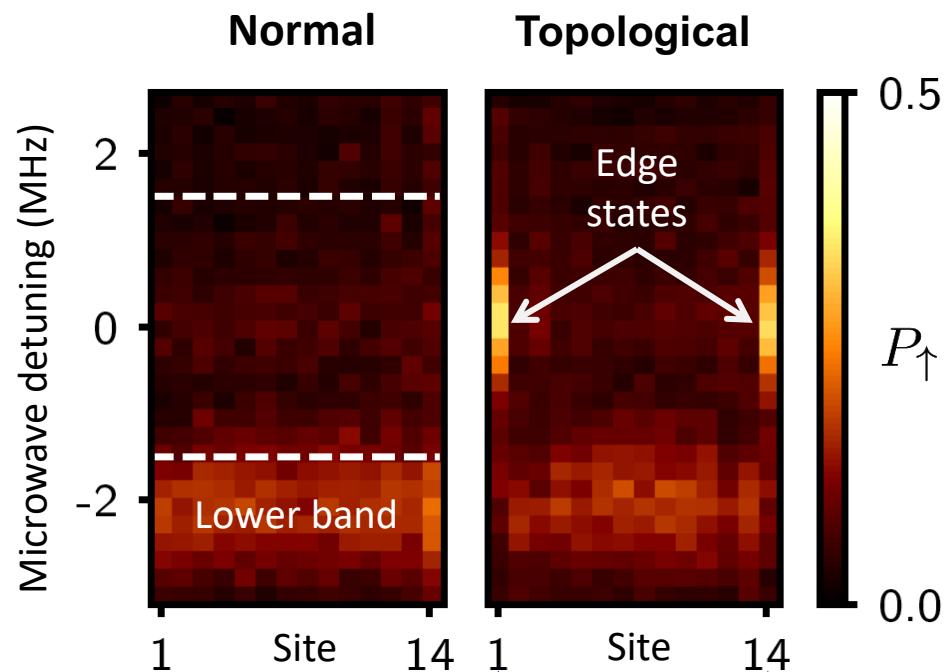
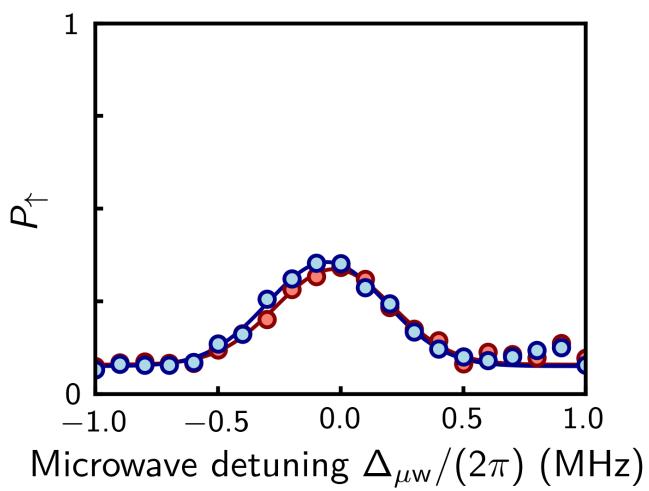
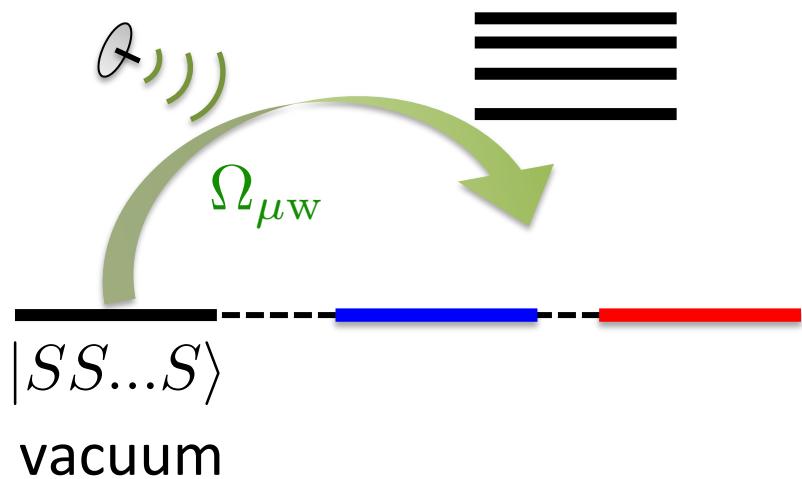


$$J/h = 2.4 \text{ MHz} \quad J'/h = -0.9 \text{ MHz}$$

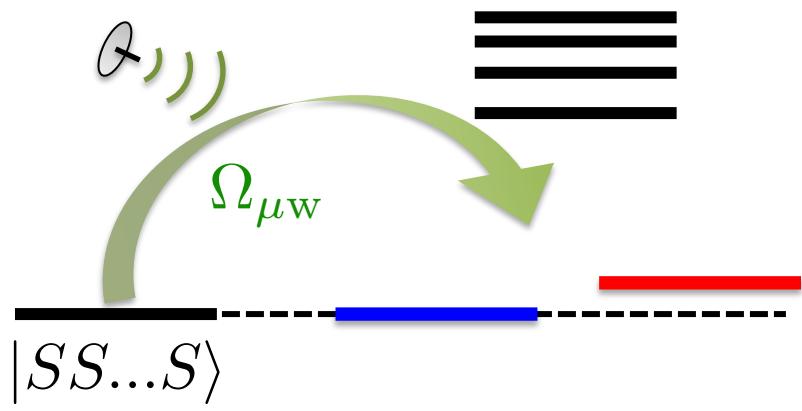
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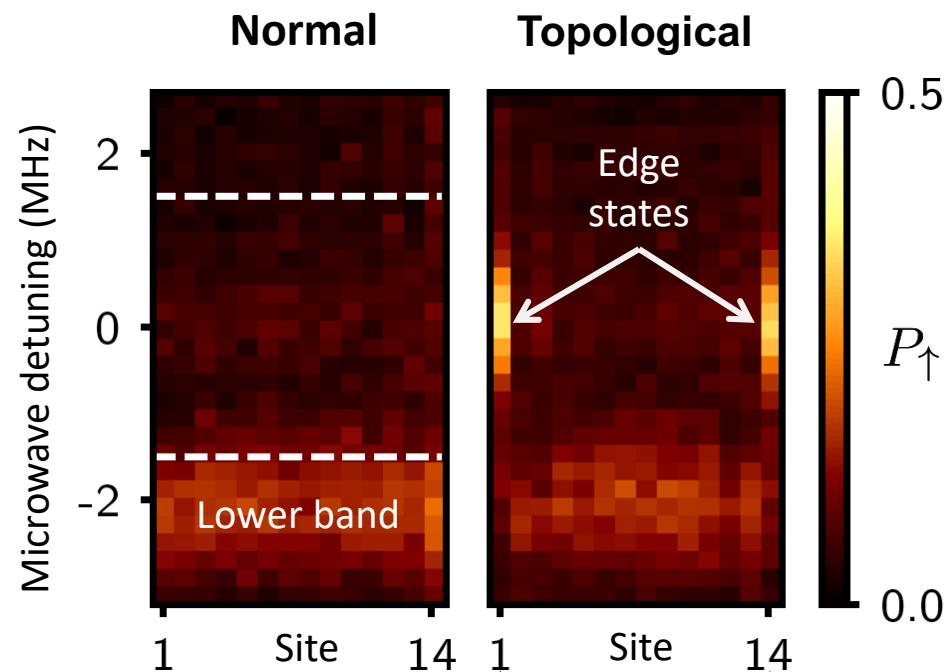
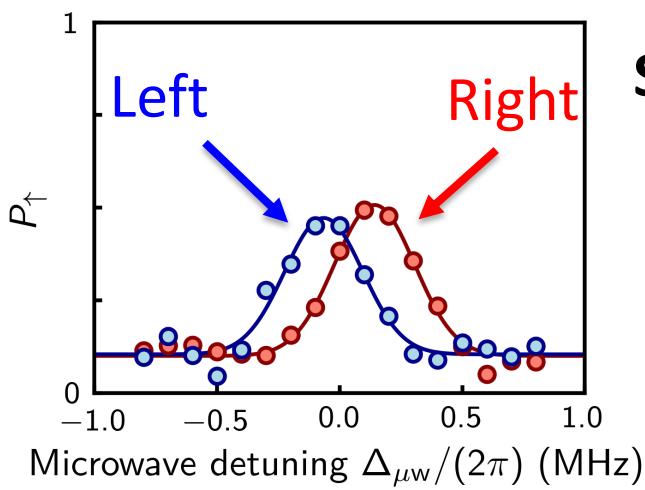
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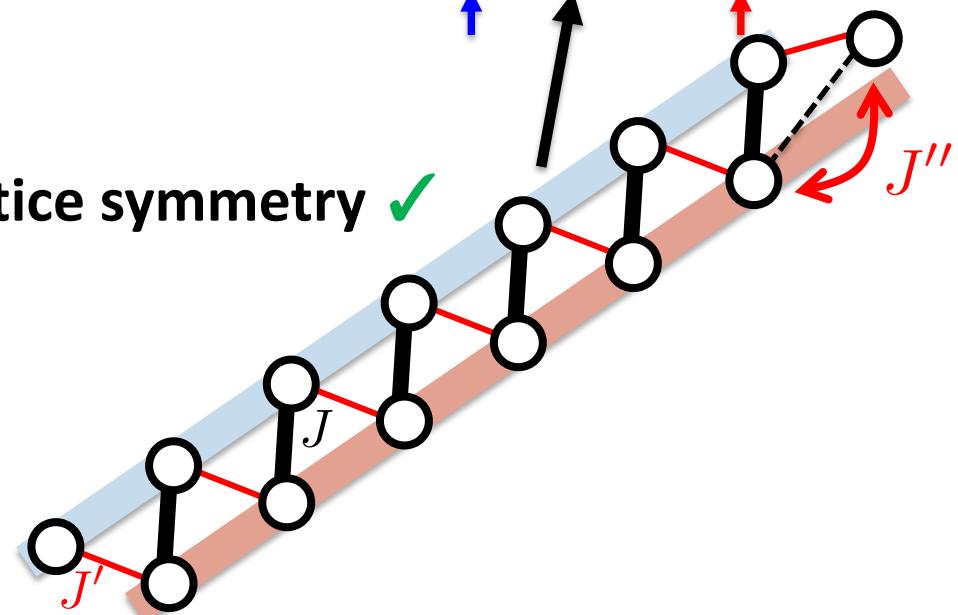
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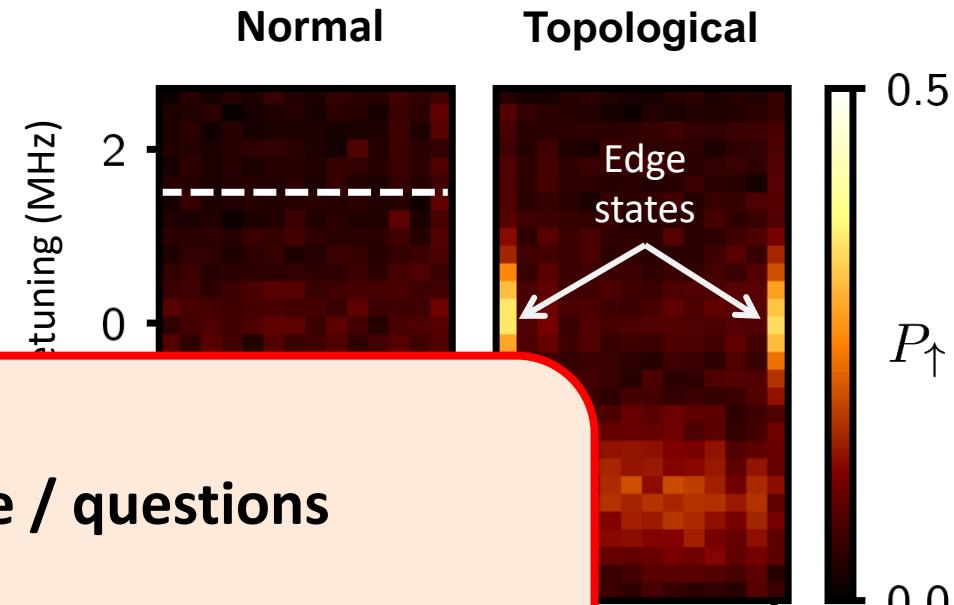
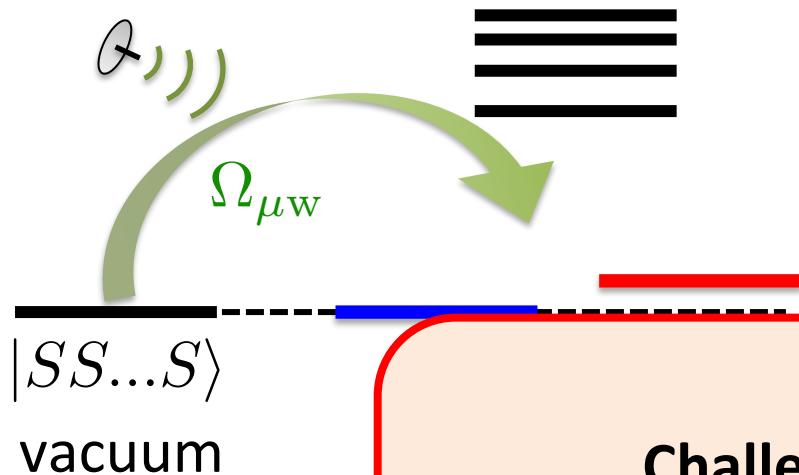
1 excitation  $|P\rangle$



Sub-lattice symmetry ✓

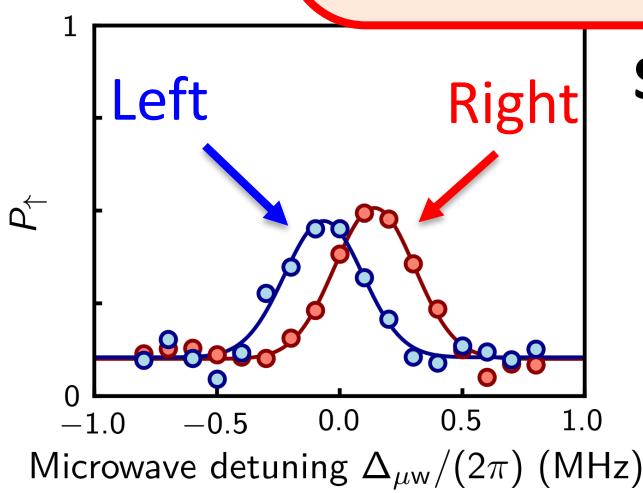


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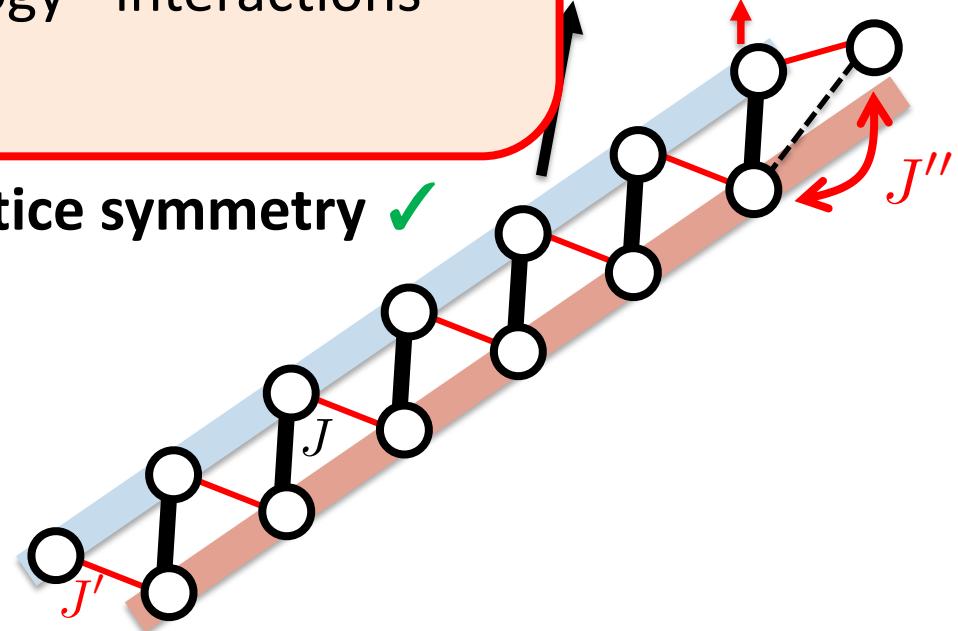


Challenge / questions

interplay topology - interactions



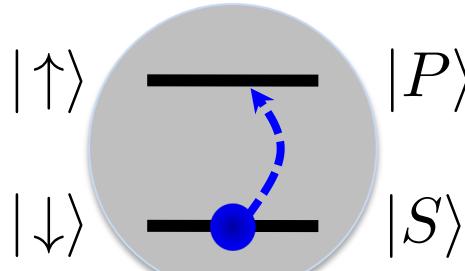
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# Spin excitations are interacting particles!

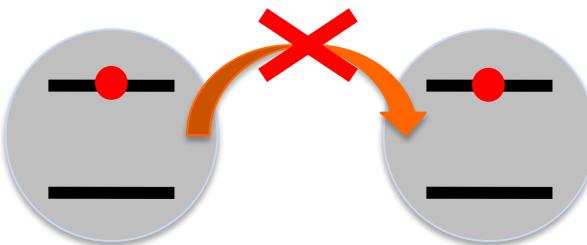
## Mapping

Spin excitation = “particle”



Carusotto PRA 2016  
Fleischhauer PRA 2013  
...

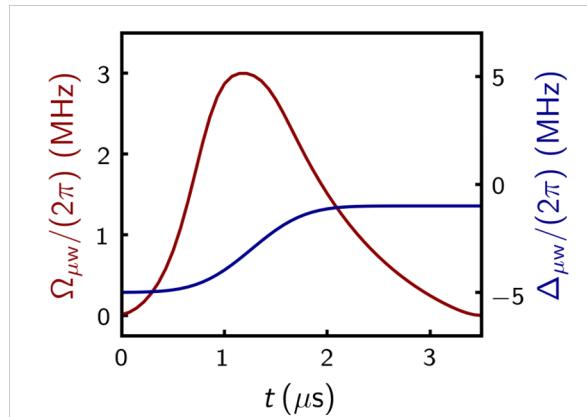
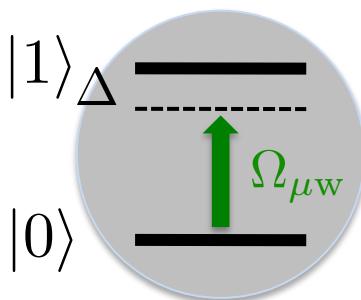
Atom cannot carry 2 excitations  $\Rightarrow$  excitations = **hard-core bosons**



On-site interaction

$$U \rightarrow \infty$$

$\mu\text{W}$  sweep  $\Rightarrow$  add excitations 1 by 1  $\Rightarrow$  ground state of interacting SSH

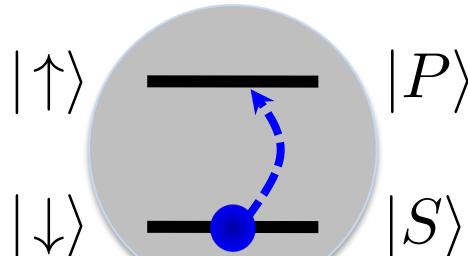


A symmetry protected topological phase  
= only possible topological order in 1d

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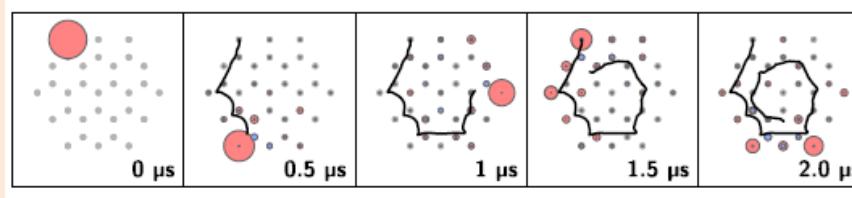
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Atom cannot



## Towards topology in 2D

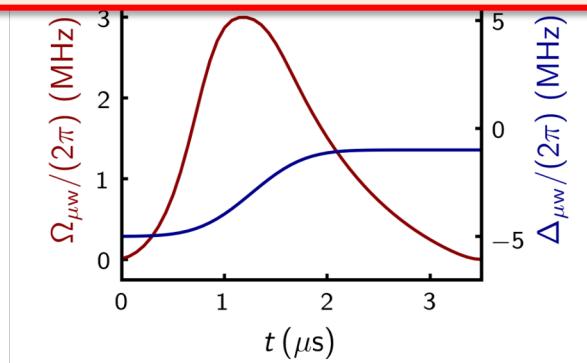
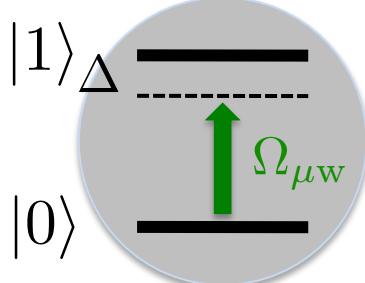
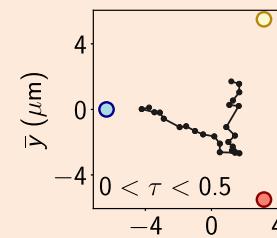


Weber, QST 3, 044001 (2018)

$\mu\text{W}$  sweep  $\Rightarrow$  a

## Spin-orbit coupling:

Lienhart, PRX (2020)



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core bosons

ction

interacting SSH

$\rightarrow$  symmetry protected  
topological phase

= only possible topological  
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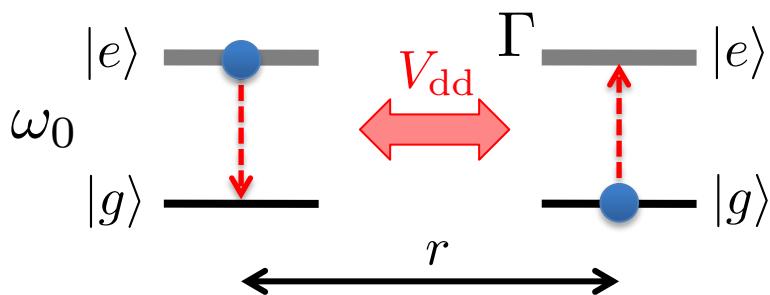
# Outline

1. Magnetism: Ising model with van der Waals interactions

2. Topological matter with resonant dipole interactions

3. Collective light scattering and resonant dip. interactions

# Resonant dipole interaction: near-field vs. far-field



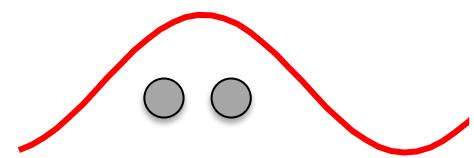
Kiffner, Progress in optics **55**, 85 (2010)

$$\hat{H} = V_{dd} (\hat{\sigma}_A^+ \hat{\sigma}_B^- + \hat{\sigma}_A^- \hat{\sigma}_B^+)$$

Non hermitian!

Lengthscales:  $r$  and  $\lambda_0 = 2\pi c/\omega_0$

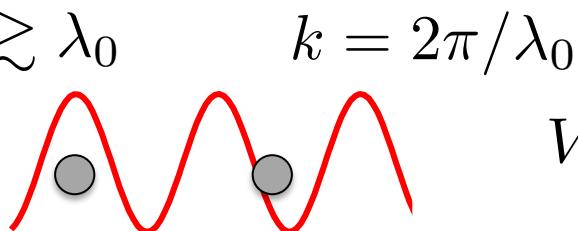
$$r \ll \lambda_0$$



$$V_{dd} = \frac{d_{eg}^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^3} \Rightarrow \text{"coherent" interaction}$$

Rydberg: microwave  $\lambda_0 \sim \text{mm, cm}$

$$r \gtrsim \lambda_0$$



$$k = 2\pi/\lambda_0$$

$$V_{dd} = \frac{d_{eg}^2 k^3}{4\pi\epsilon_0} e^{ikr} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{(kr)^3} - \frac{i}{(kr)^2} \right) - \frac{1}{kr} \right]$$

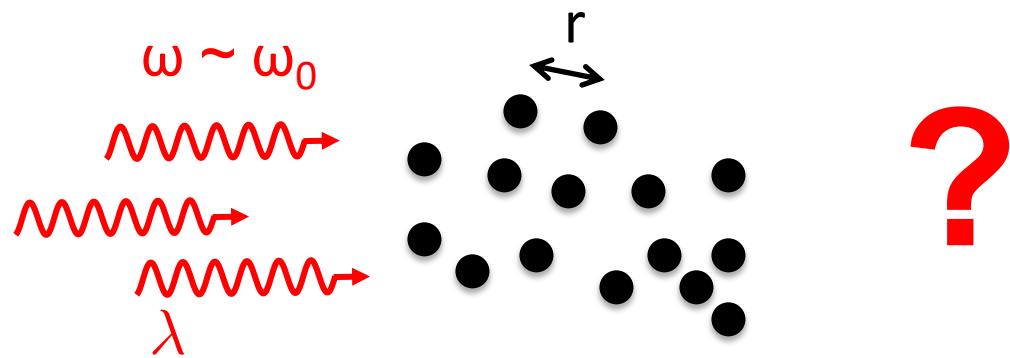
$\Rightarrow$  Collective dissipative spin models  $\text{Re}[V_{dd}] \sim \text{Im}[V_{dd}] \sim \Gamma$

Optical transition:  $\lambda_0 \sim \mu\text{m}$  + Photons!!

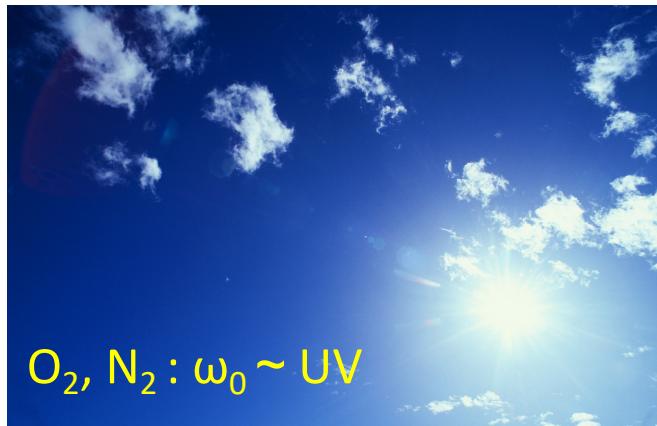
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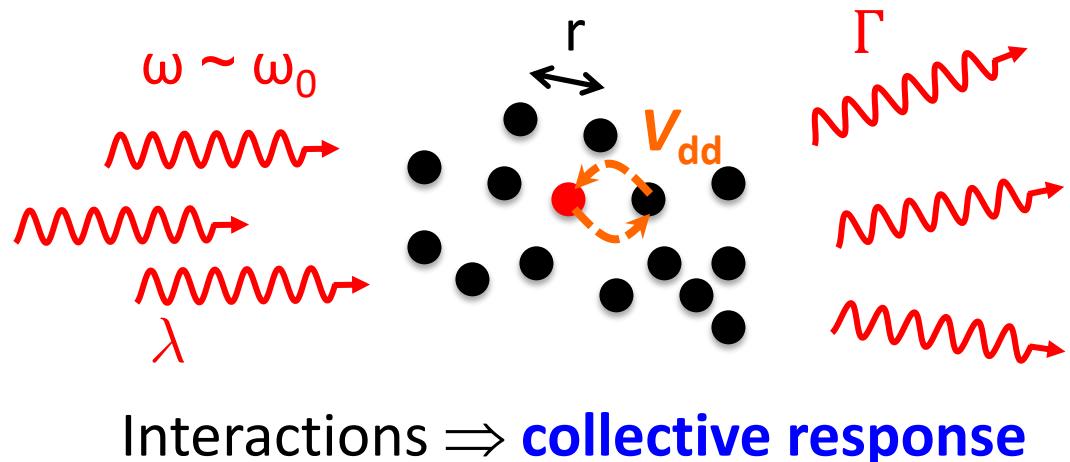
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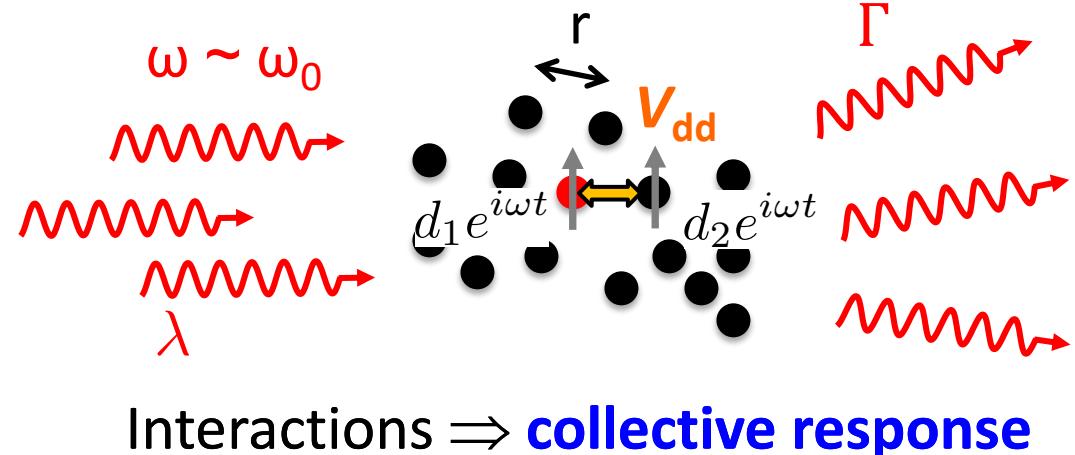
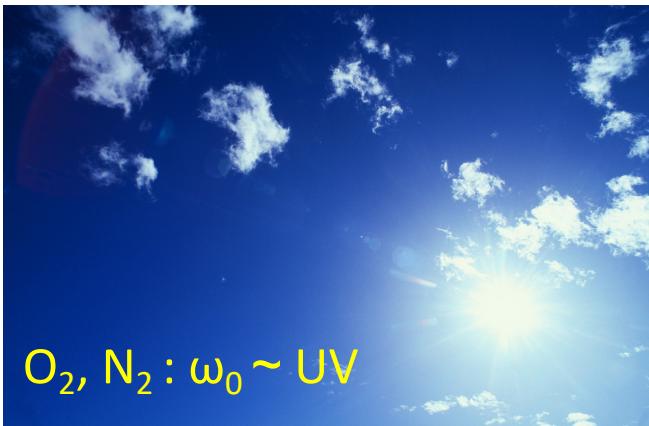
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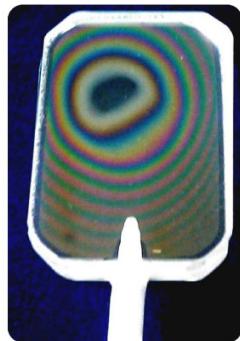
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Interactions  $\Rightarrow$  **collective response**

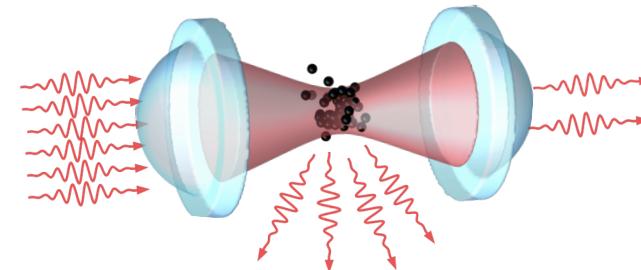
Classically: interaction between **light-induced dipoles**

Experimental investigations: **random ensembles**



Hot vapors

Adams & Hughes, Durham  
Löw, Stuttgart  
Browaeys



Dense cold clouds

Browaeys, Dalibard & Beugnon

Dilute cold clouds

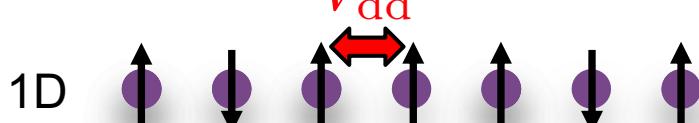
Kaiser, Courteille, Havey, Ye...

# Structured atomic arrays $\Rightarrow$ enhance collective response

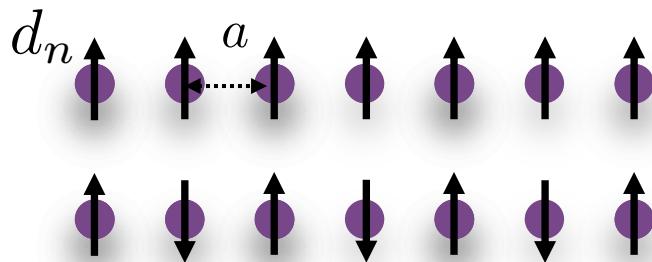
$$V_{dd} \sim \frac{\hbar\Gamma}{kr} e^{ikr}$$

Random:  $\sum_n e^{ikr_n} \ll 1$

Structured:  $\sum_n e^{ikna} \sim N$

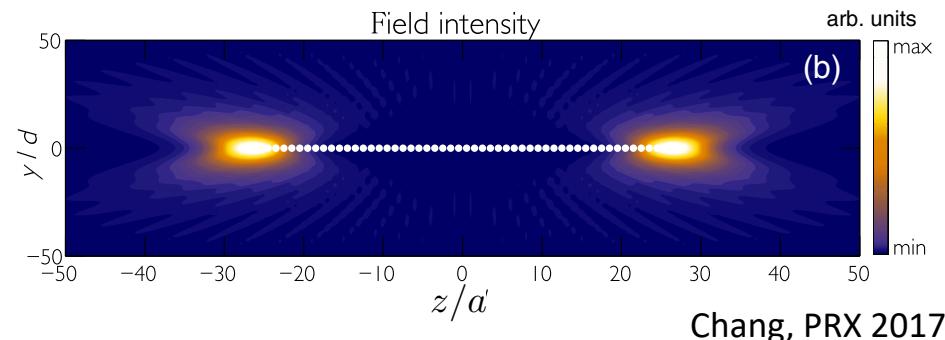
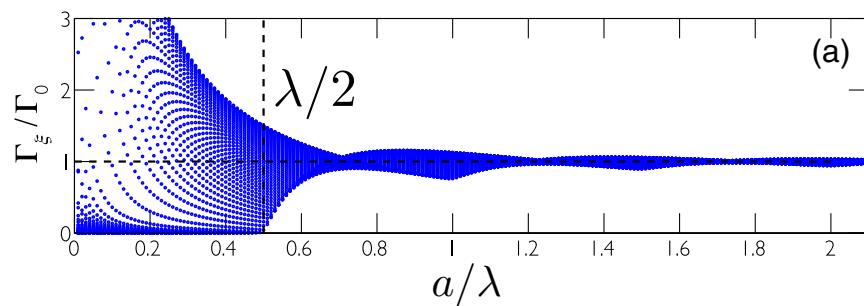


Interaction between induced dipoles  
 $\Rightarrow$  Strong, controlled collective effects



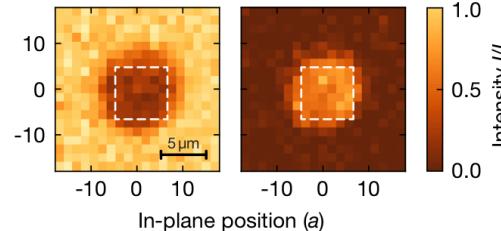
Superradiance  $\Gamma_{\text{sup}} \gg \Gamma$

Sub-radiance  $\Gamma_{\text{sub}} \ll \Gamma$



Adams,  
Yelin & Lukin,  
Chang, Asenjo-Garcia  
Ruostekoski,  
Zoller...

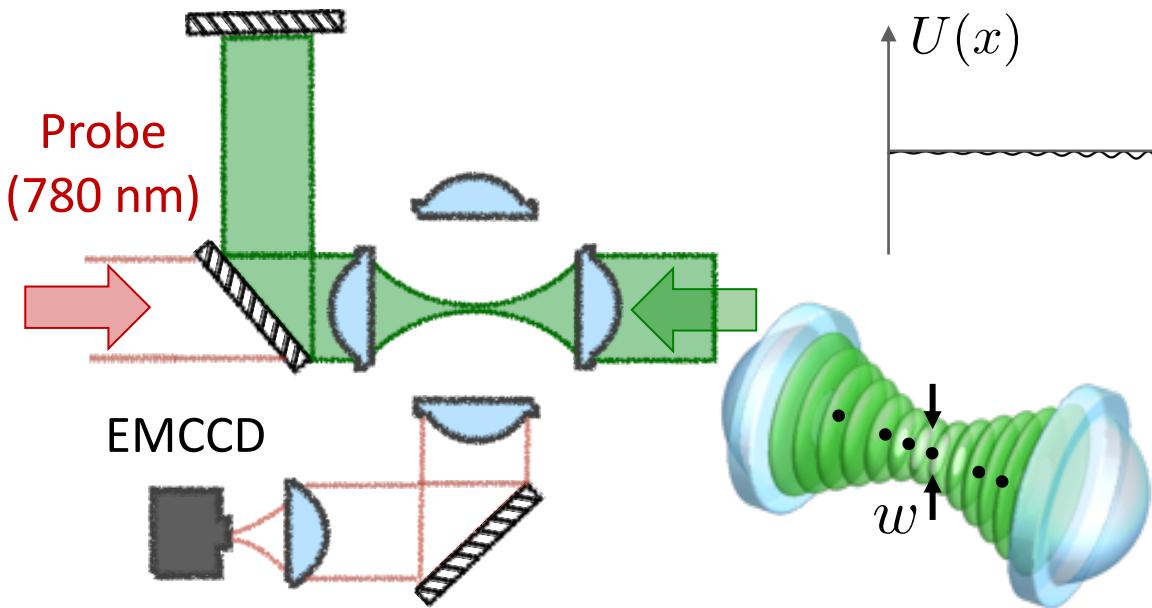
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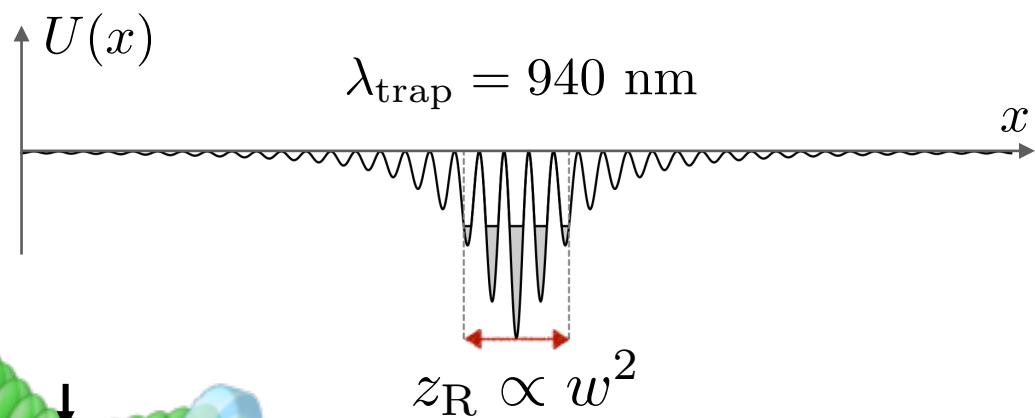
Bloch, Nature 2020

# A 1D chain of atoms: tweezer + lattice

Optical lattice

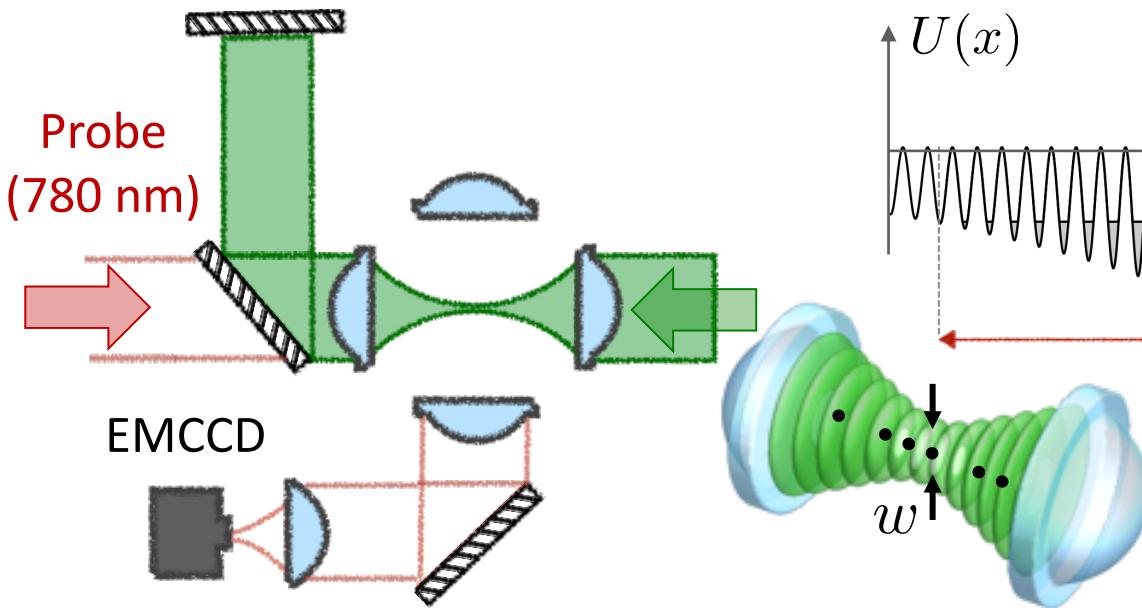


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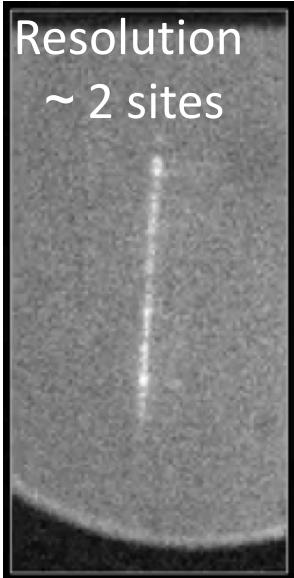


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Resolution  
~ 2 sites



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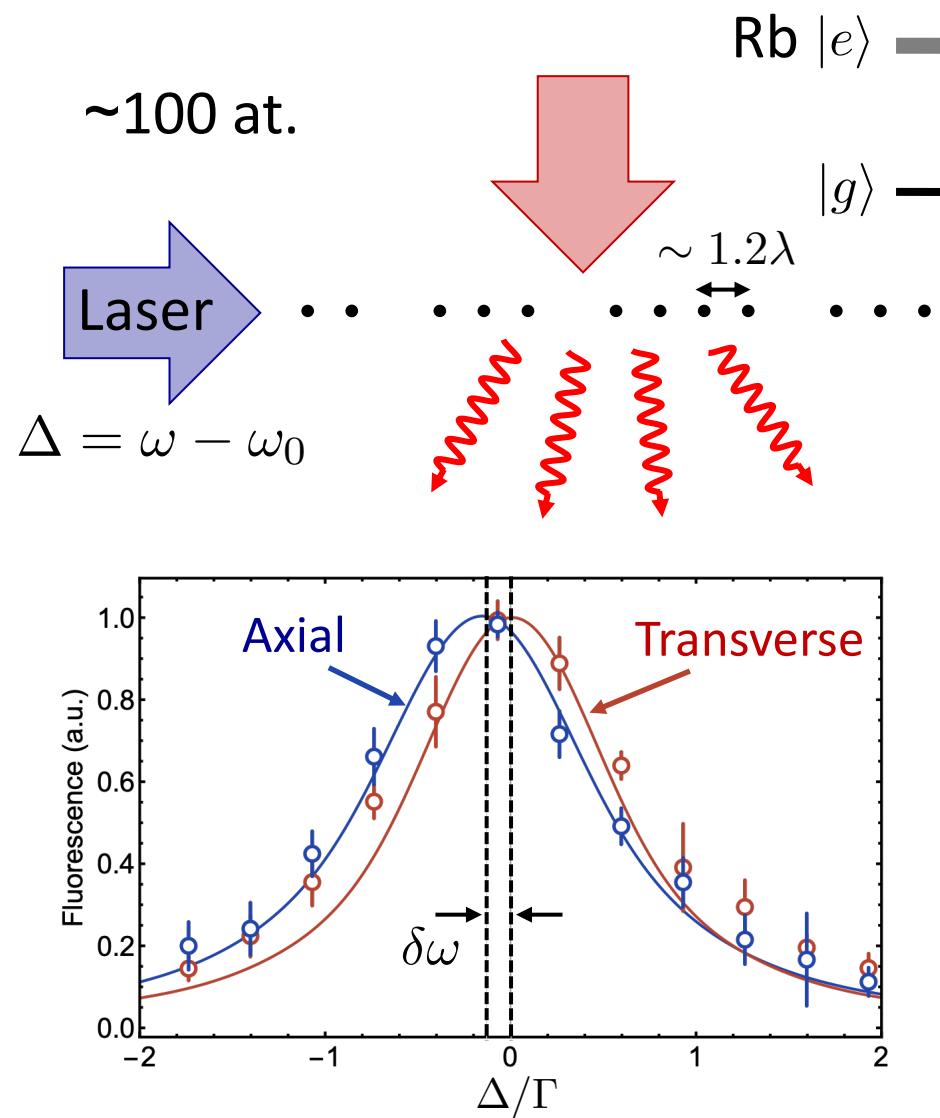
$$\lambda_{\text{trap}} = 940 \text{ nm}$$

$$z_R \propto w^2$$

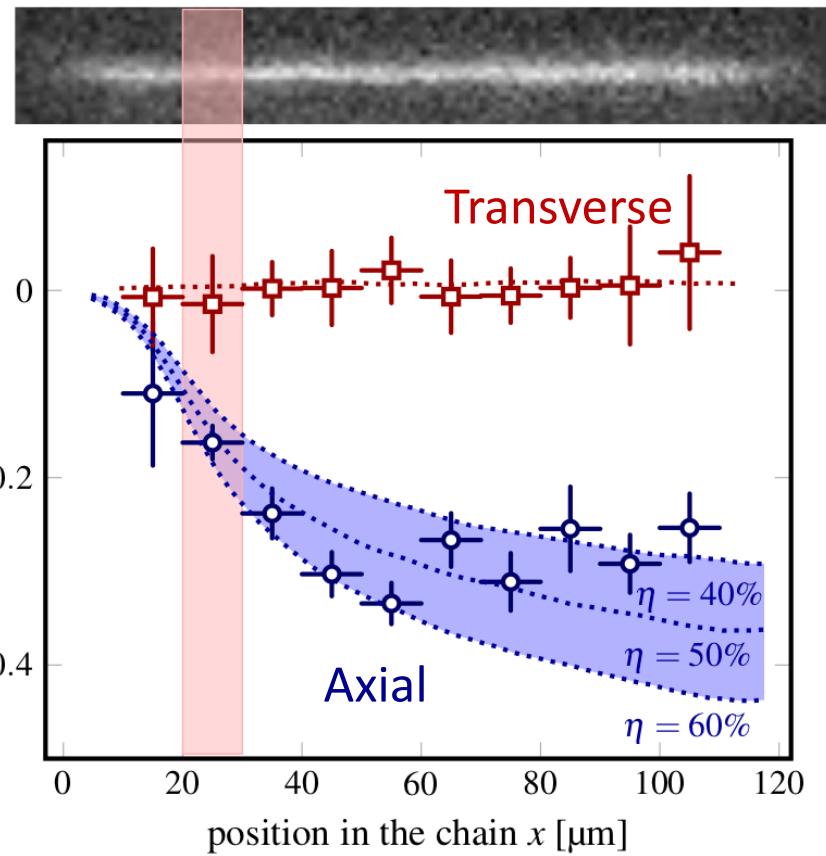
~ 200 sites, filling ~ 50%,  
 $T = 20 \mu\text{K}$

# Collective light scattering on a 1D chain

Glickenstein, PRL 2020



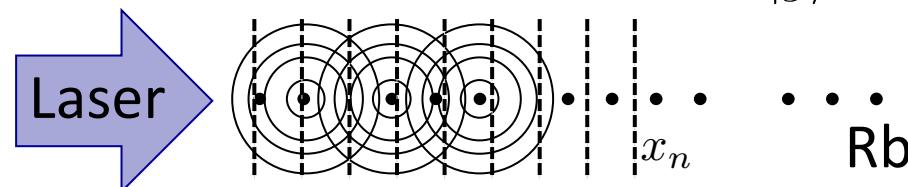
Position resolved spectrum



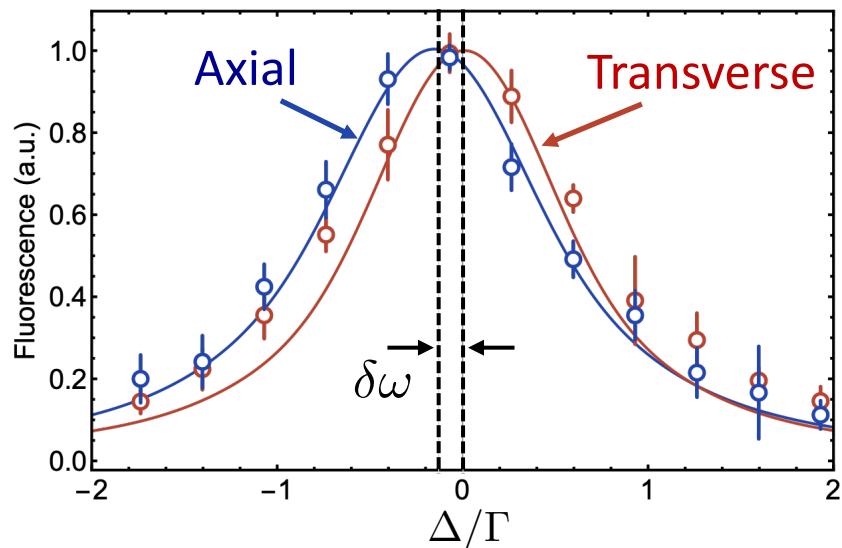
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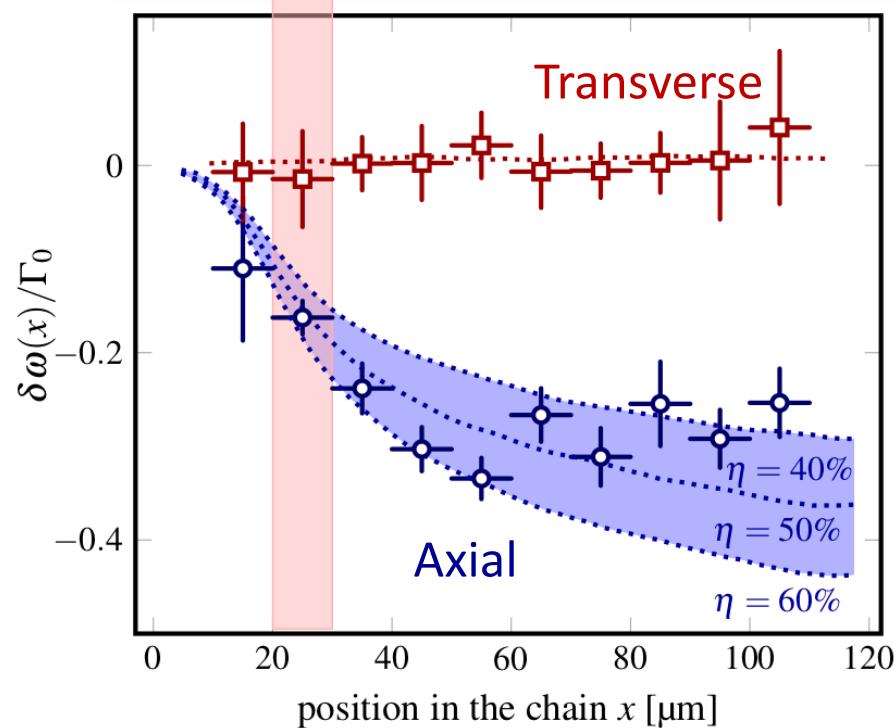
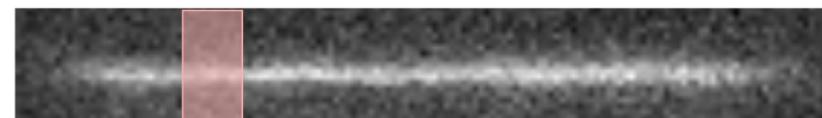
$\sim 100$  at.



$$\Delta = \omega - \omega_0$$



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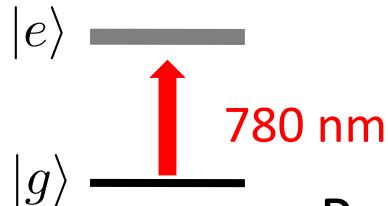
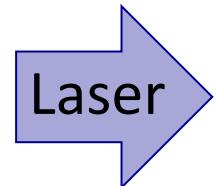


Forward interferences:  $\delta\omega_n \sim \sum_{m < n} V_{dd}^{mn} \sim - \sum_{m < n} \frac{\Gamma}{k|x_m - x_n|}$

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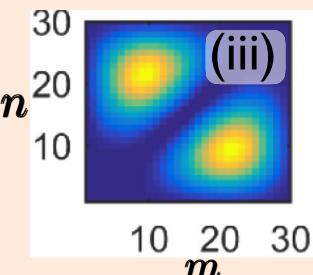
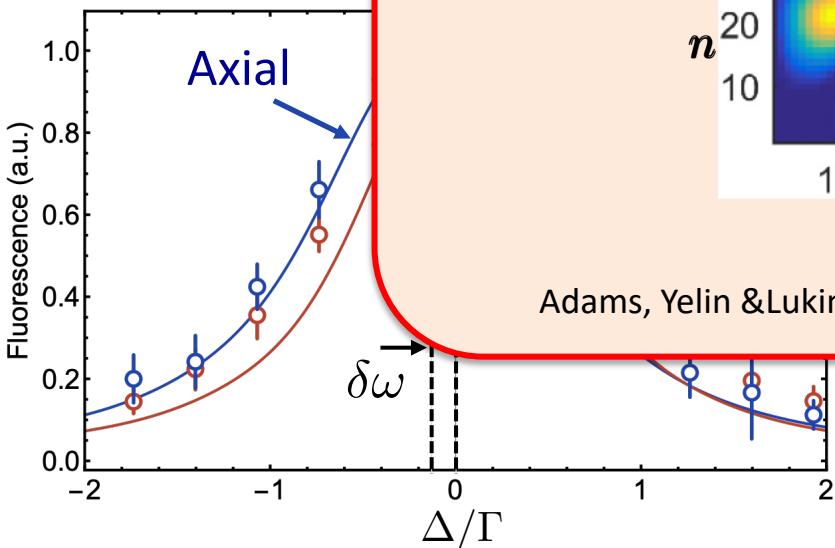
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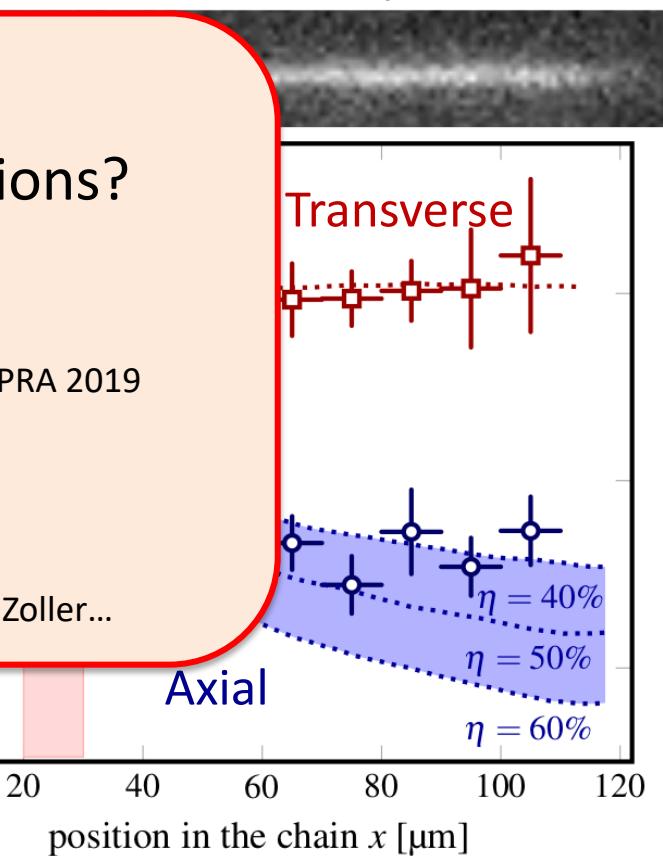
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Henriet, PRA 2019

Adams, Yelin & Lukin, Chang, Ruostekoski, Zoller...

1D sub-λ arrays:  
subradiance and correlations?



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# Conclusion and outlook

## Arrays of atoms + dipole interactions

- Explore many-body physics in hard situations: topology, out-of-eq, dissipative...
- Atom-light interface, non-linearity...

