

# Analog quantum simulation of chemical dynamics

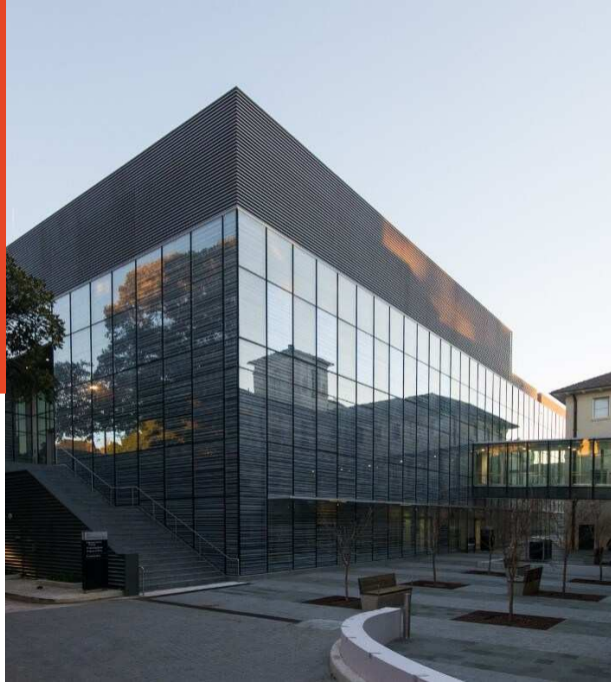
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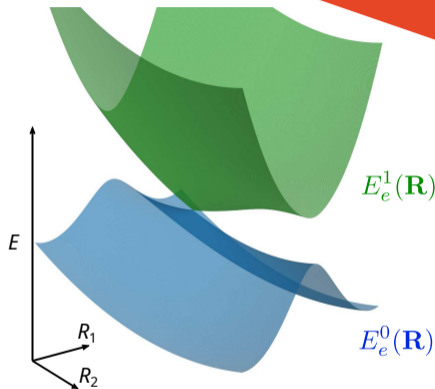


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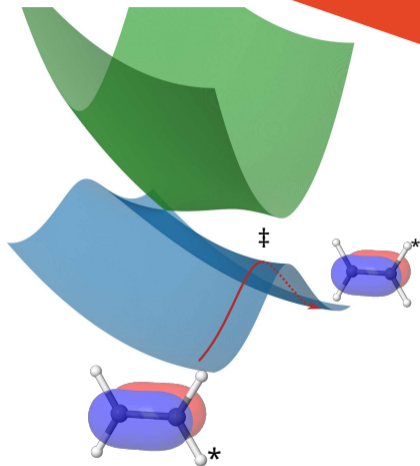
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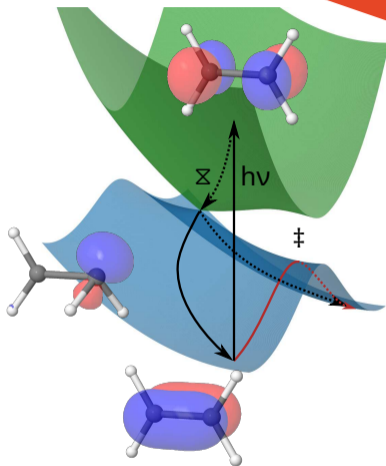
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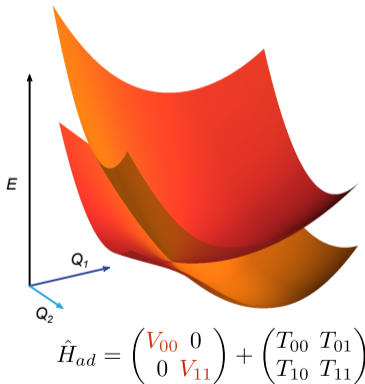
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- ... but fails catastrophically for others
- Accurate simulation requires quantum mechanical treatment of nuclei



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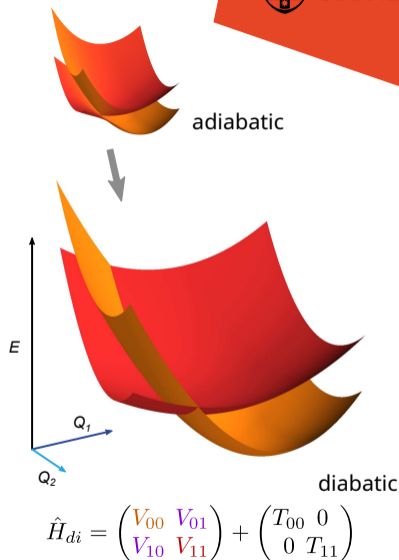
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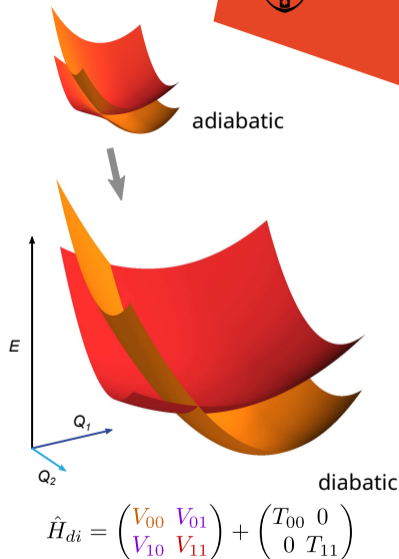
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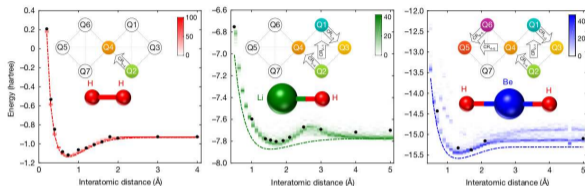
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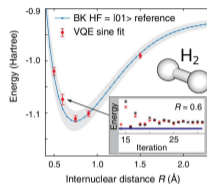


# Universal QC for chemistry

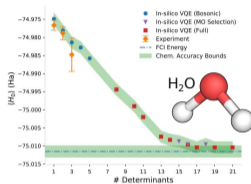
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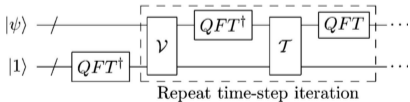


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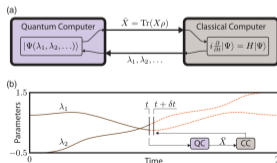


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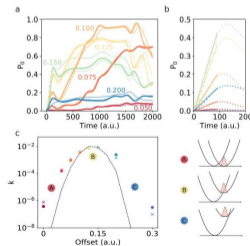
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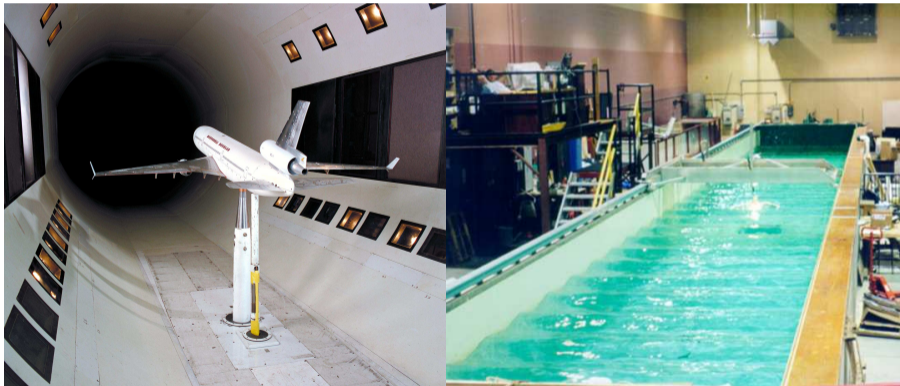


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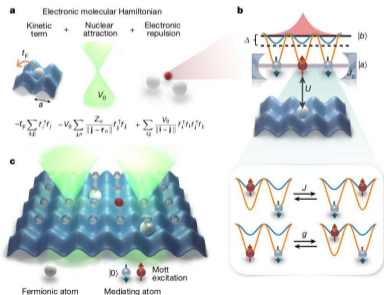
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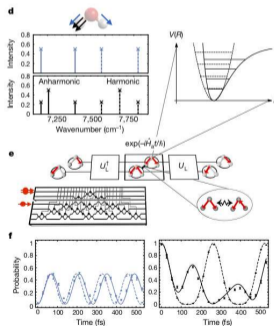
- Classical: model a complex system with a controllable system
- Quantum: map a desired Hamiltonian onto a controllable quantum system

## electronic structure



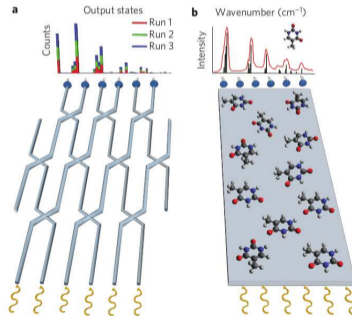
Arguello-Luengo, J. et al. *Nature* **2019**, 574, 215–218.

## vibrational structure



Sparrow, C. et al. *Nature* **2018**, 557, 660–667.

## Franck-Condon spectra



Huh, J. et al. *Nat. Photonics* **2015**, 9, 615–620.

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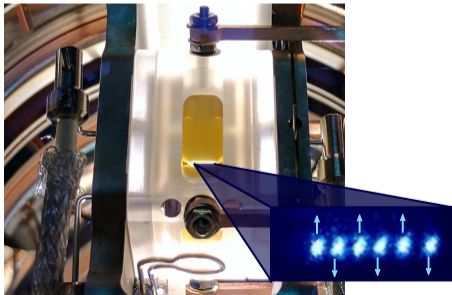
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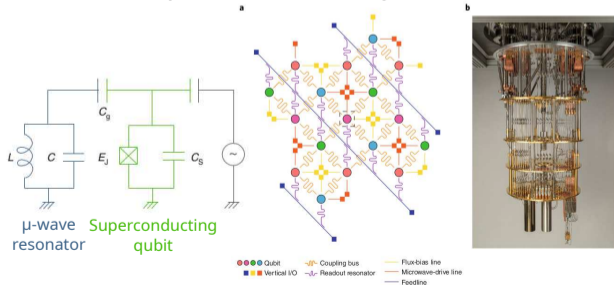
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- Ion traps

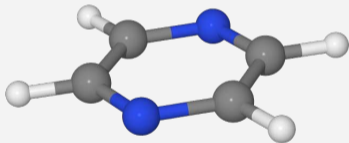


- Circuit quantum electrodynamics (cQED)



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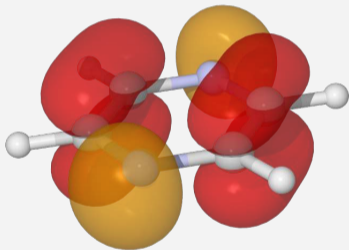


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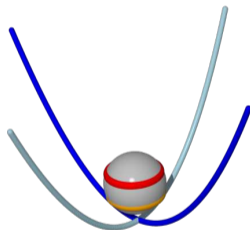
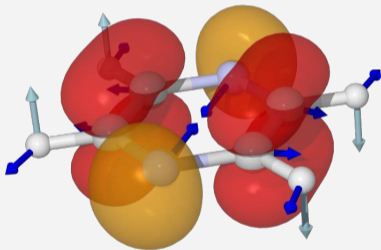


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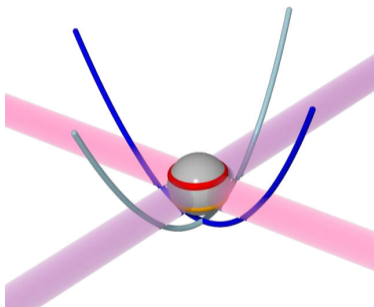
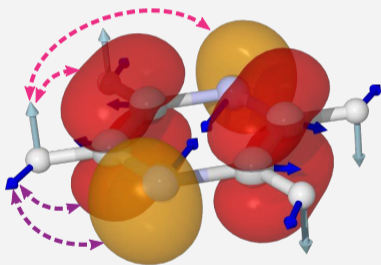
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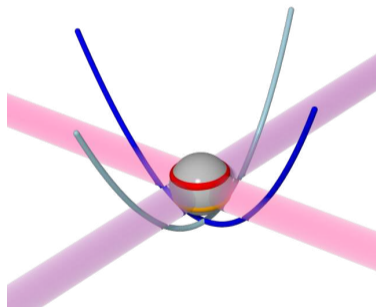
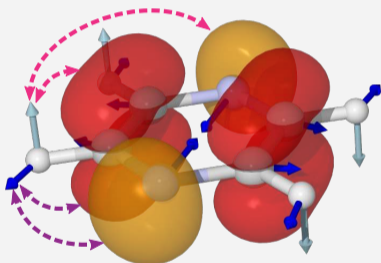


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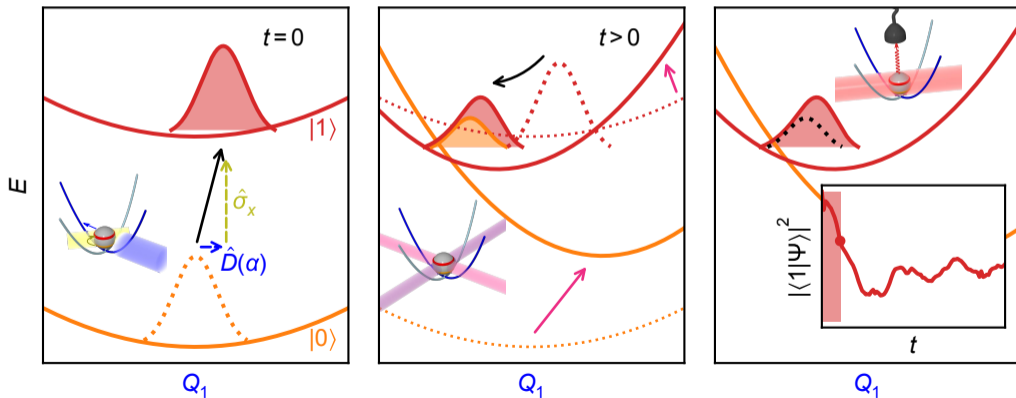
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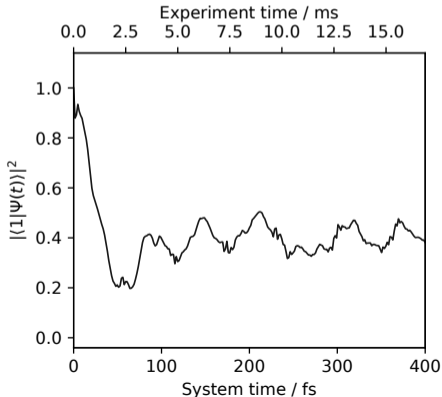
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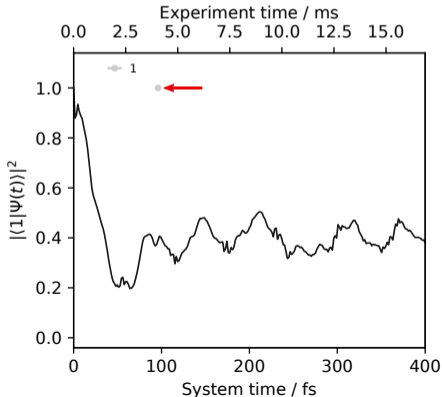
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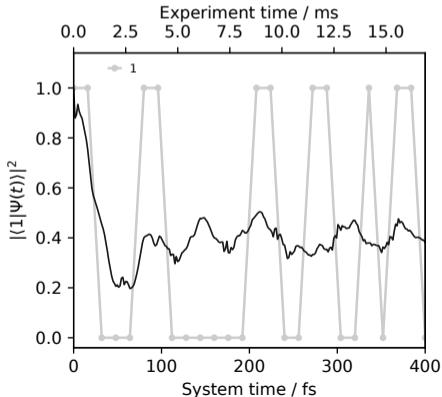
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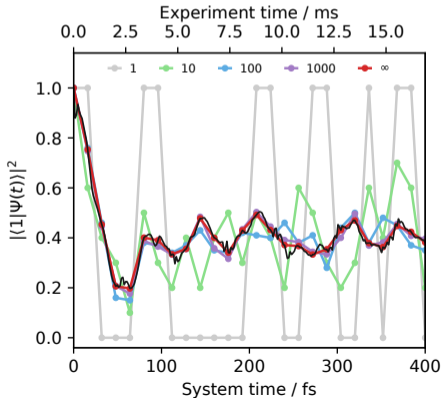
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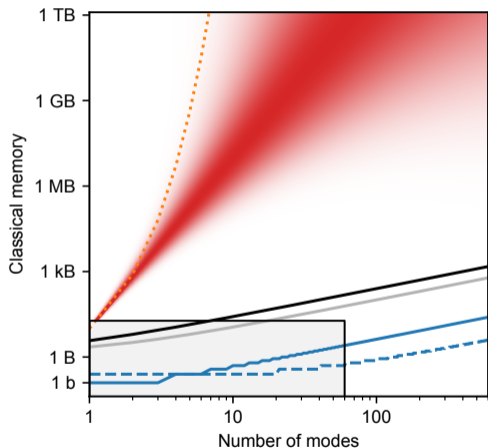


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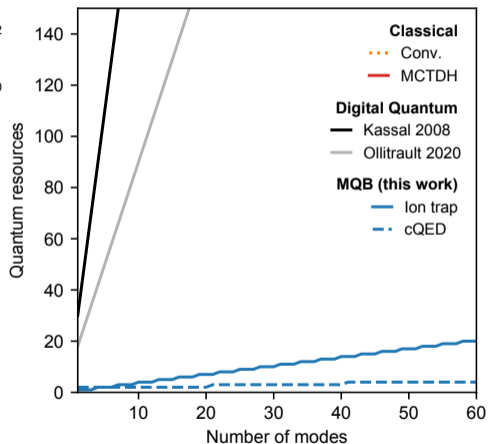
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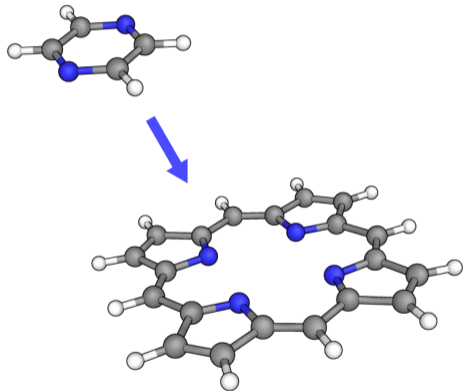


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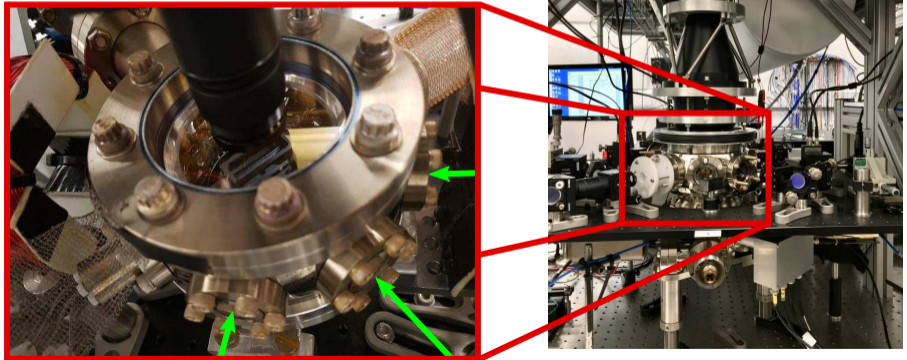
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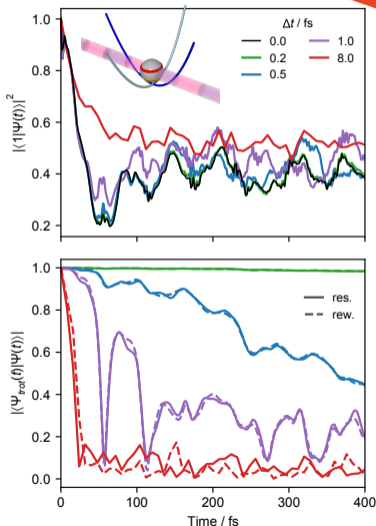


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- Split terms of the Hamiltonian into multiple short timesteps
- Terms corresponding to different modes from a single laser source

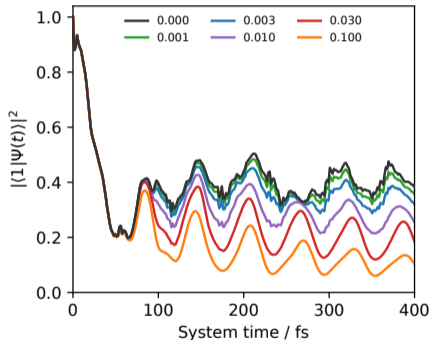


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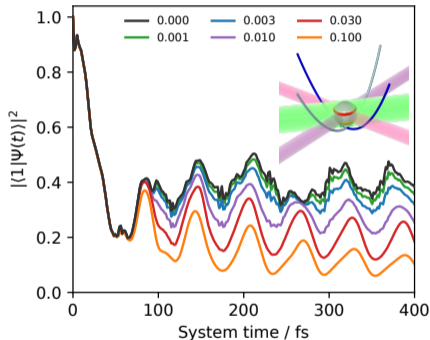
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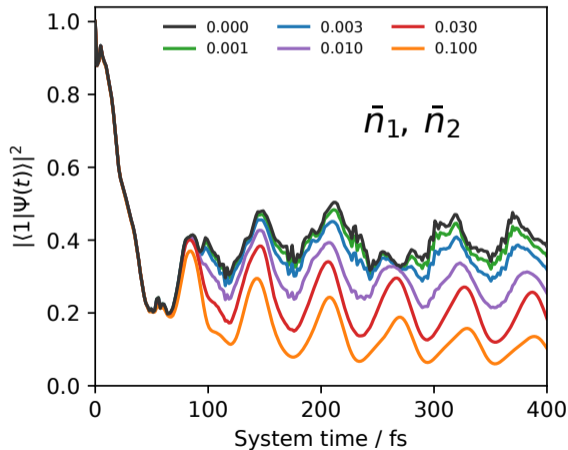
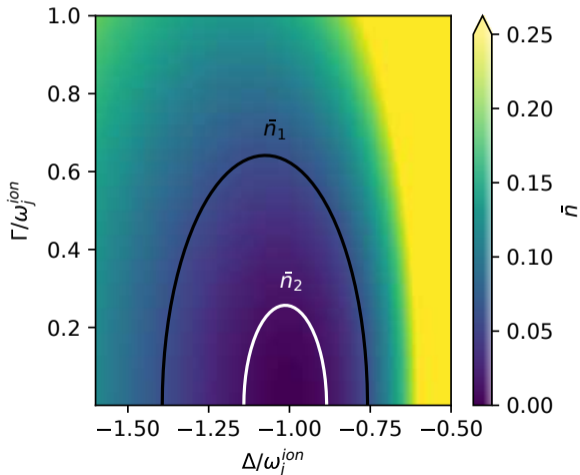
- Laser cooling + heating:  $\sum_j A_j^- \mathcal{L}_j^-[\hat{\rho}] + A_j^+ \mathcal{L}_j^+[\hat{\rho}]$

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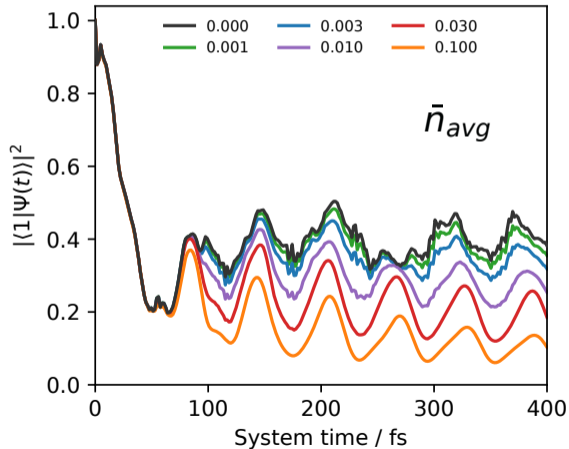
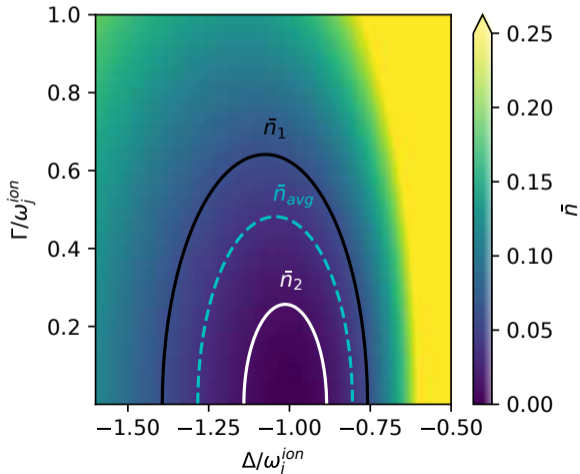
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### 3. Higher-order terms

- Can also achieve second order terms with light-matter interactions

- Dispersive coupling ( $Q_j^2$ )

Pedernales, J. S. *Sci. Rep.* **2015**, 5, 15472.

$$(a\sigma_z + b\sigma_x)\hat{a}_j^\dagger\hat{a}_j$$

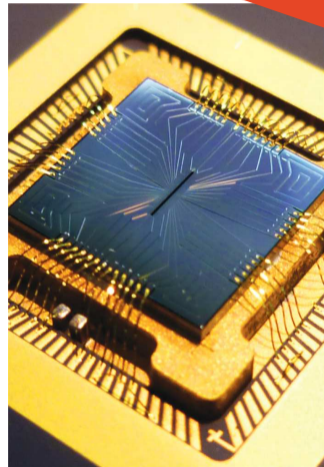
- Mode mixing ( $Q_jQ_k$ )

Marshall, K.; James, D.F.V. *Appl. Phys. B* **2017**, 123, 26.

$$(a\mathbb{1} + b\sigma_z + c\sigma_x)\left(\hat{a}_j^\dagger\hat{a}_k + h.c.\right)$$

- Anharmonicity from engineered potentials

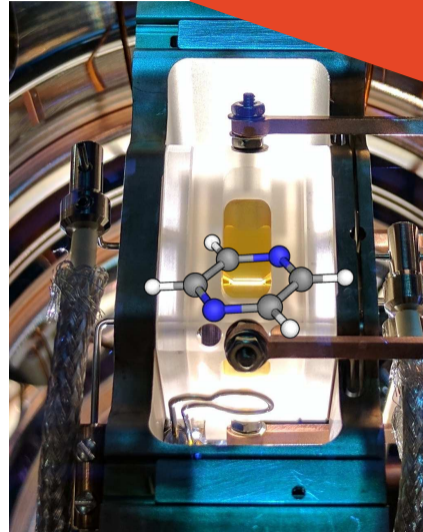
- Surface traps
- cQED



Stajic, J. *Science* **2013**, 339, 1163.

# Conclusions

- Vibronic coupling models can be mapped directly onto bosonic simulators
  - One-to-one correspondance of internal/bosonic with electronic/vibrational degrees of freedom
  - First order terms → common multi-qubit coupling schemes
- The model may be extended to more modes/ states and system-bath couplings
- Can be achieved with **existing** quantum technology





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# Light-matter interactions

- Vibronic coupling terms in the interaction picture

$$\hat{H}_0 = \sum_n (h_0 + E_n) |n\rangle \langle n|$$

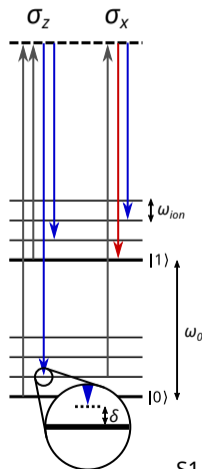
$$\hat{H}_I = \exp(i\hat{H}_0 t / \hbar) (\hat{H} - \hat{H}_0) \exp(-i\hat{H}_0 t / \hbar)$$

$$= \sum_{nm} \sum_k c_k^{(nm)} \left( |n\rangle \langle m| e^{i\Delta E_{nm} t / \hbar} + h.c. \right) \otimes_j \left( \hat{a}_j^\dagger e^{i\omega_j t} + h.c. \right)^{p_{jk}}$$

- First-order terms in the same form as light-matter interactions

- $\sigma_z$  gate: 
$$\hat{H}_I = \frac{i}{2} \hbar D'_1 \eta_1 \left( \bar{\Theta} \mathbb{1} - \frac{1}{2} \Delta \Theta \sigma_z \right) (\hat{a}^\dagger e^{i\delta_1 t} + h.c.)$$

- MS ( $\sigma_x$ ) gate: 
$$\hat{H}_I = \frac{i}{2} \hbar D'_1 \eta_1 \Omega (\sigma_+ e^{i\omega_0 t} + h.c.) (\hat{a}^\dagger e^{i\delta_1 t} + h.c.)$$



## Trotterization in the interaction picture

- Terms of the Hamiltonian are applied with respect to the "base" Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H}_0 = \sum_n (h_0 + E_n) |n\rangle \langle n|$$

$$\hat{H}'_j = \hat{H}_0 + \hat{H}_j$$

- Applying interactions in series requires rescaling

$$\sum_{j=1}^M (\hat{H}_0 + M\hat{H}_j) = M\hat{H}$$

- Additional phase-matching required for multiple terms from a single laser

