

Spin-based
quantum dot
quantum computing:
the ultimate in
quantum electronics



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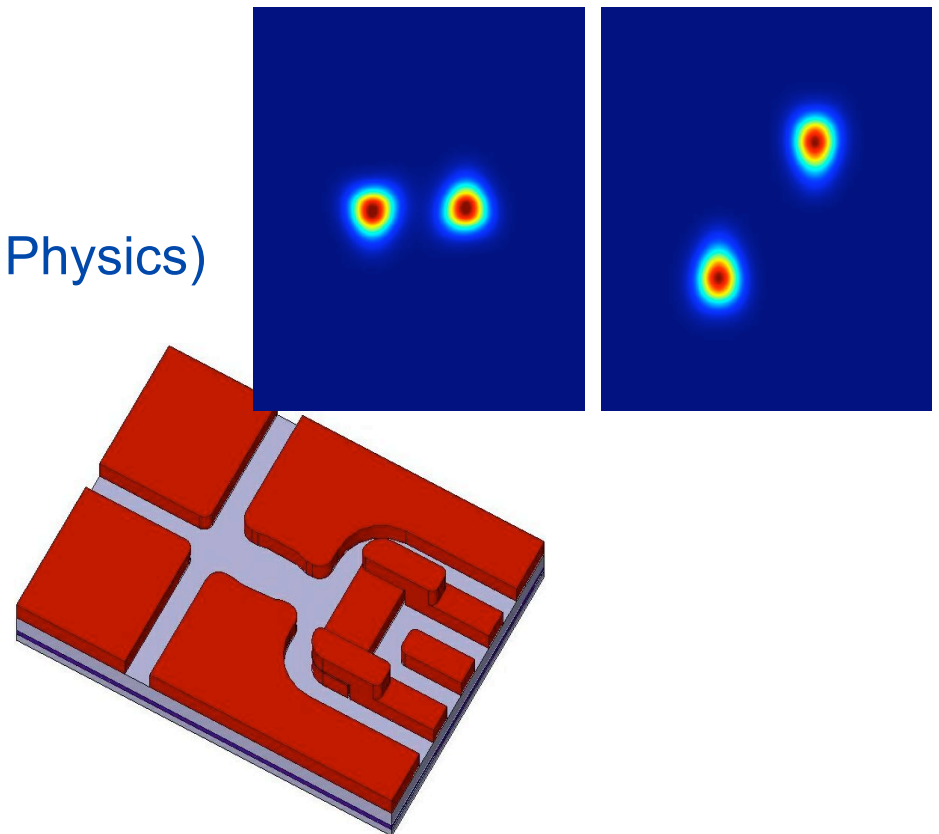
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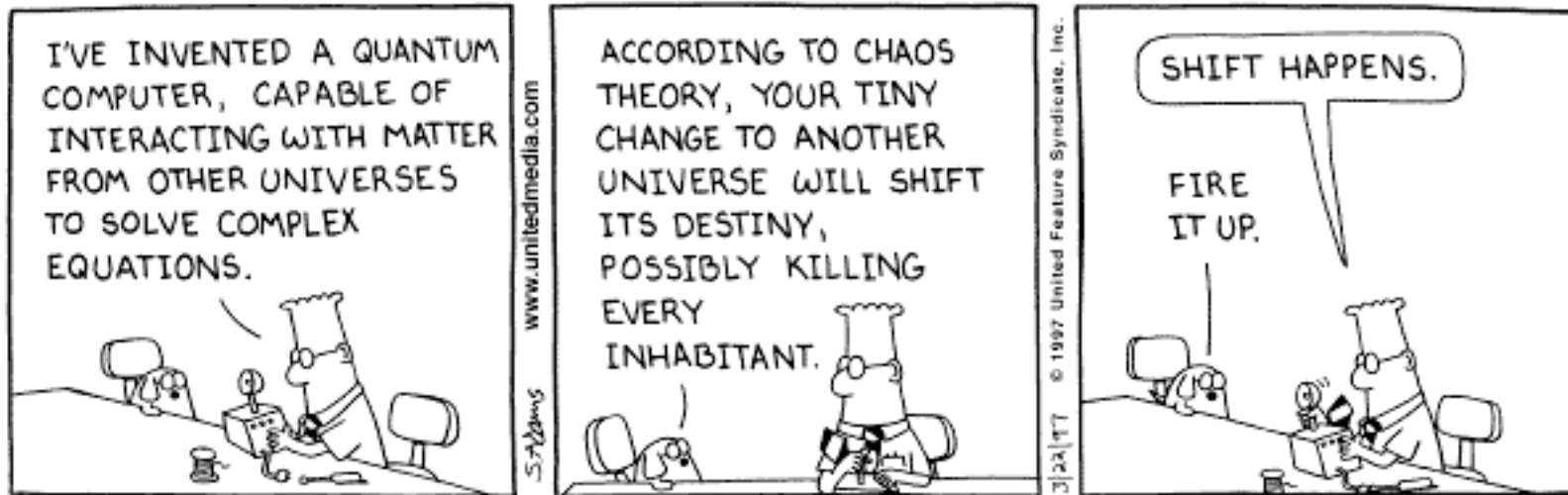
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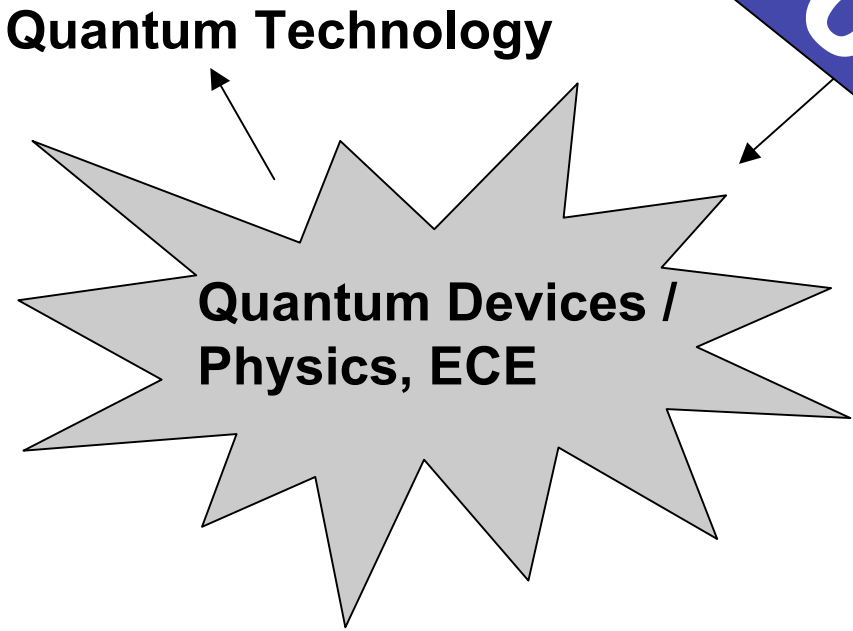
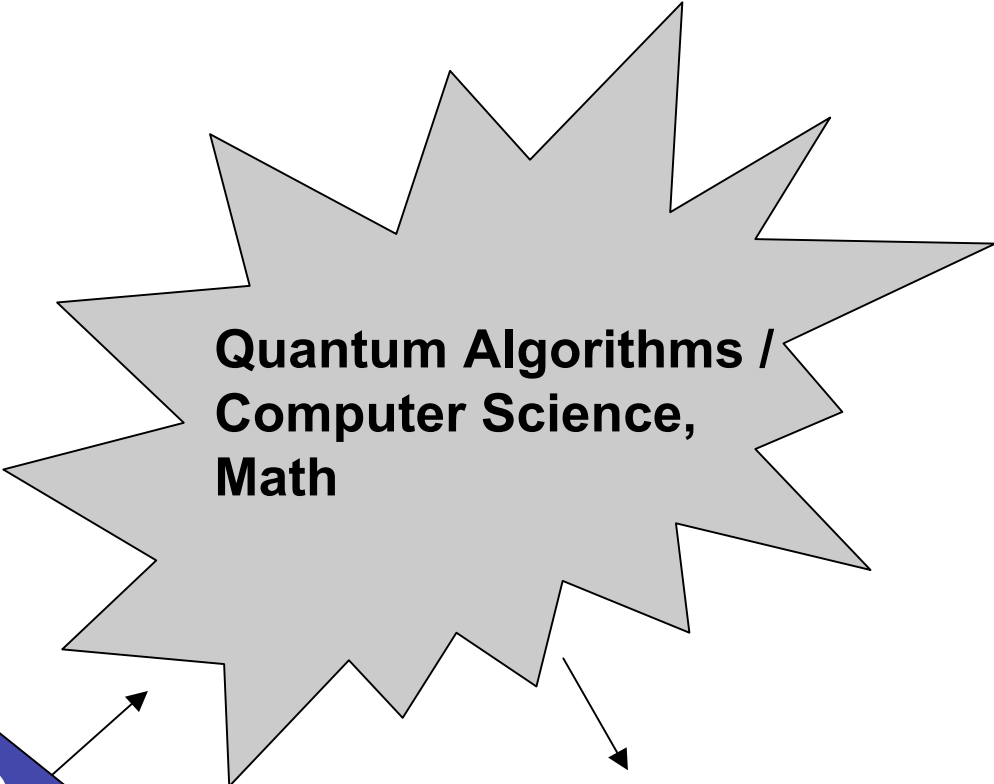


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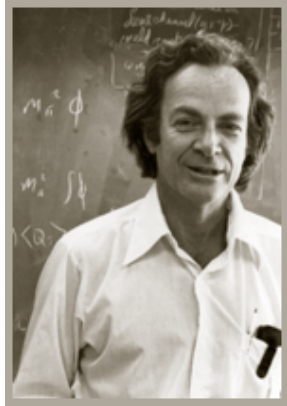
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Quantum Computing



Motivation

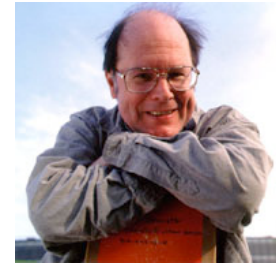
Shor Algorithm for prime factorization: killer application



R. Feynman



Peter Shor



Charles
Bennett



David
Deutsch

Error correction on a QC is possible

Quantum over classical

- Superposition - Parallelism
- Interference
- Entanglement

Building a QC

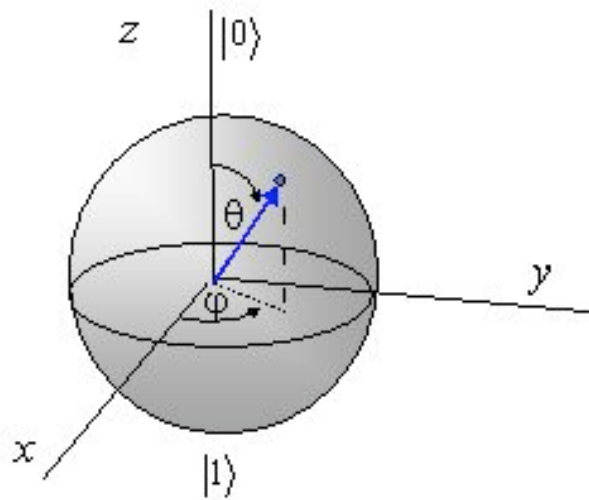
- Good, scalable qubit
- Two-qubit entanglement operation
- Fast readout/measurement of qubit
- Fast initialization / source of new qubits
- Quantum error correction
- Flying qubits

Formalism

Qubit: $|0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $|1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$
 “off” “on”

→ $|\pm\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle \pm |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \pm 1 \end{pmatrix}$
 “off AND on”

The Bloch sphere



$$w = w_0|0\rangle + w_1|1\rangle = \cos\frac{\theta}{2}|0\rangle + e^{i\varphi}\sin\frac{\theta}{2}|1\rangle$$

Quantum superposition

Multiple qubits:

$$|0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle =$$

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

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = [8 \times 1] \text{ dimensional Hilbert space}$$

Formalism

State vector formalism of quantum mechanics

$$H|\psi\rangle = E|\psi\rangle$$

Density matrix formalism

$$\dot{\rho} = -\frac{i}{\hbar}[H, \rho] \quad \rho = \sum_i p_i |\psi_i\rangle\langle\psi_i|$$

$$\rho_{|0\rangle} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

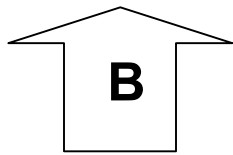
$$\rho_{|1\rangle} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rho_{|+\rangle} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rho_{QC} = \rho_1 \otimes \rho_2 \otimes \rho_3 \otimes \dots$$

Good qubit: Spin

- Electronic or nuclear spin $\frac{1}{2}$
- Natural 2 level system
- Long coherence times
- Scalable (?) in semiconductor structures



$$\uparrow \rho_{|0\rangle} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\downarrow \rho_{|1\rangle} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \rho_{|+\rangle} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Example:

$$T_1 \gg T_2 \quad t = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \rho = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T_1 > t > T_2$$

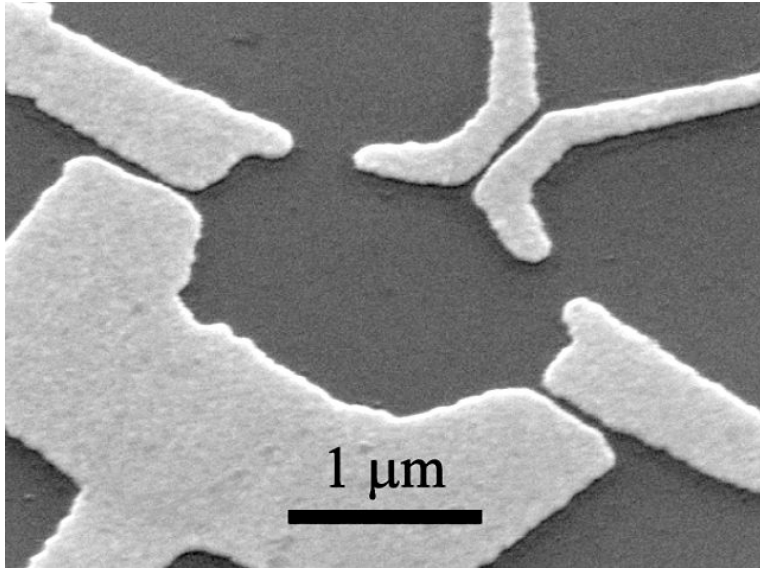
$$? \rho = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$t > T_1$$

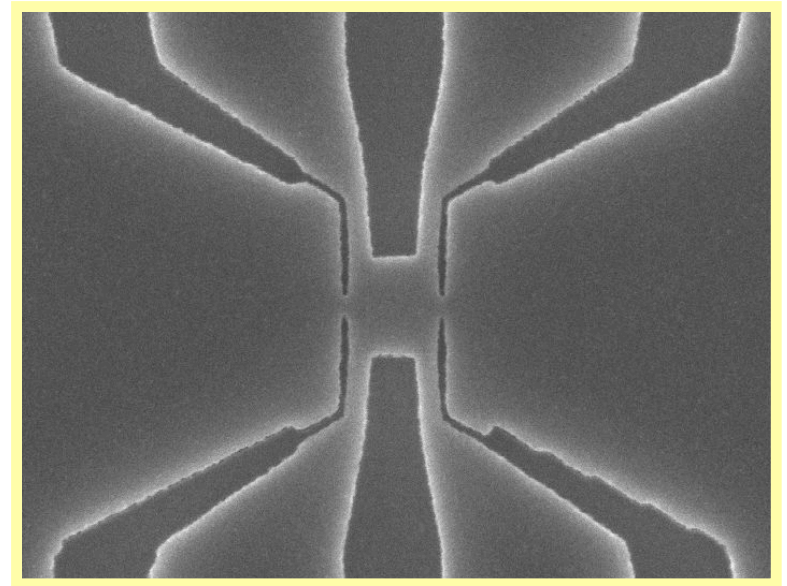
$$\uparrow \rho = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Quantum Dot Architectures

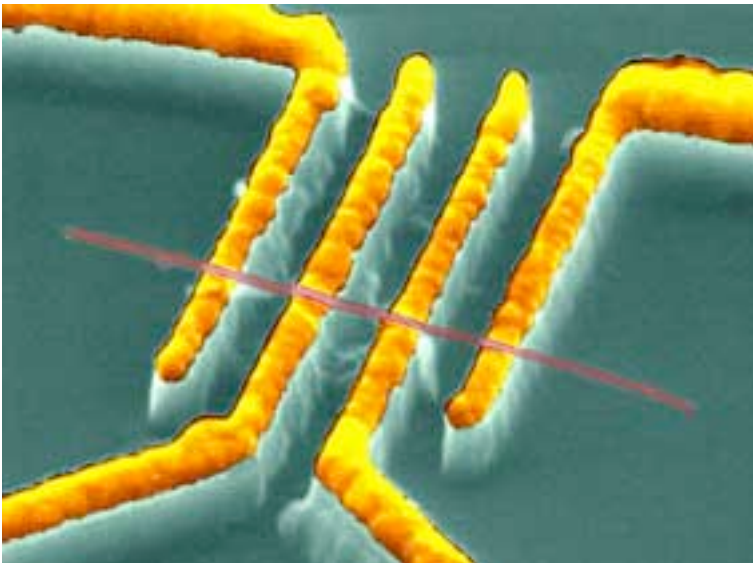
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AlGaAs



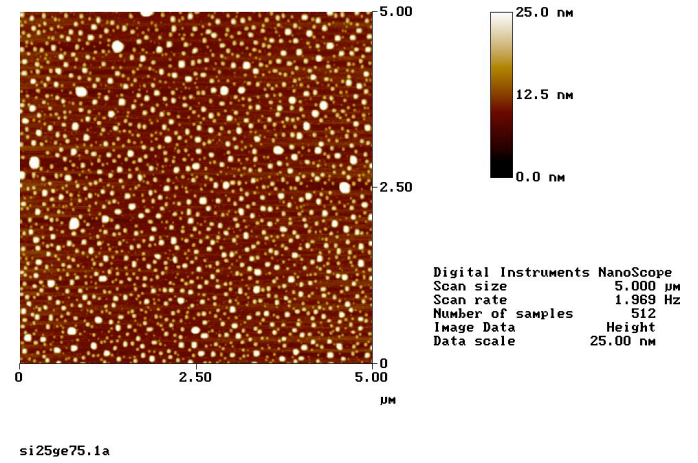
Si/SiGe



Carbon Nanotubes



Ge Huts



Wisconsin QDQC design

1. Gated Quantum Dot QC (Loss & DiVincenzo)

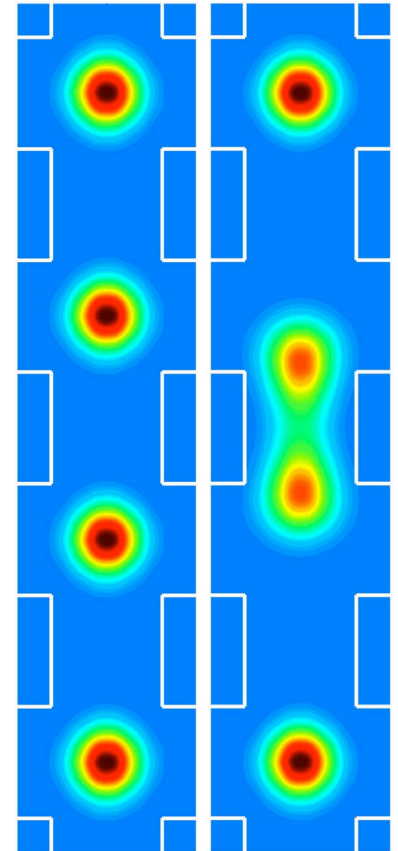
- 1 electron spin = 1 qubit
- Self aligning to gates (no need to align to donors)
- Fast operations through *Heisenberg exchange*
- Scalable (hopefully)

2. Silicon

- Long decoherence times ($T_2 \sim$ milliseconds for P: ^{28}Si)
- Low spin-orbit coupling
- Spin-zero nuclei ^{28}Si

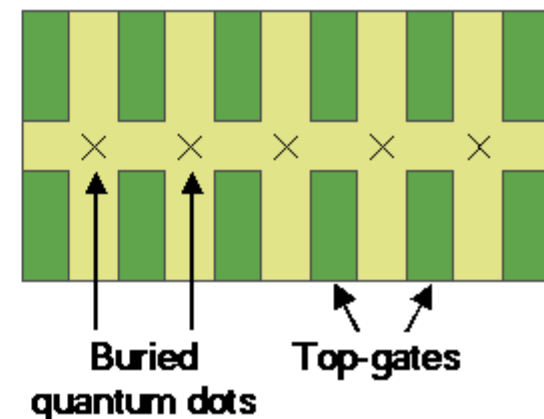
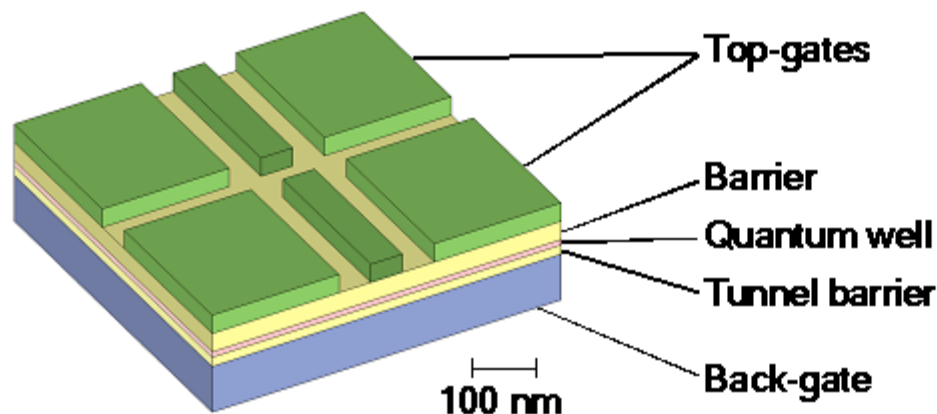
3. Back-gate

- Size-independent loading and well-screened manipulation of dots



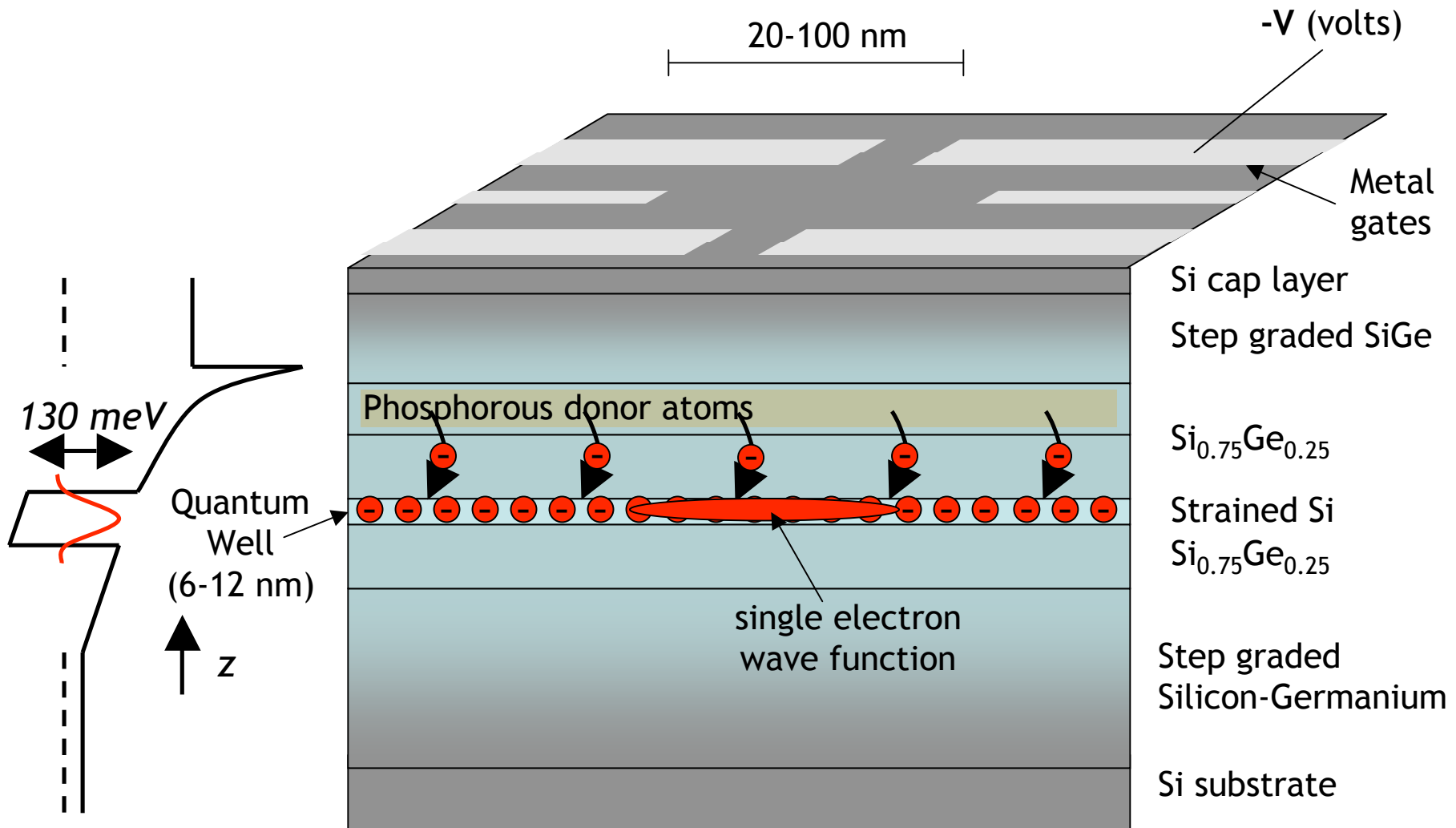
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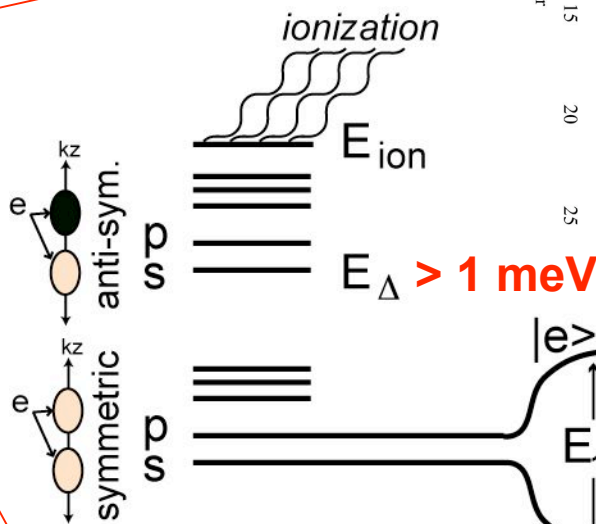
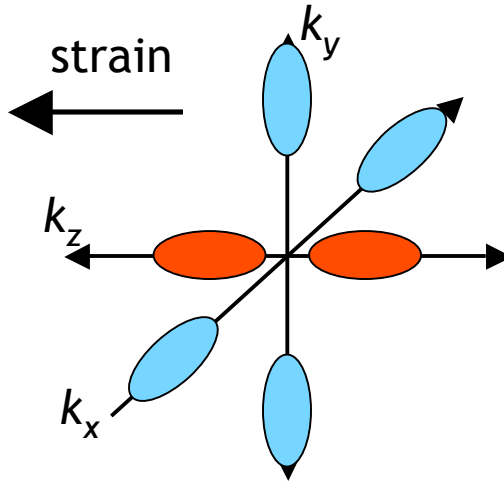
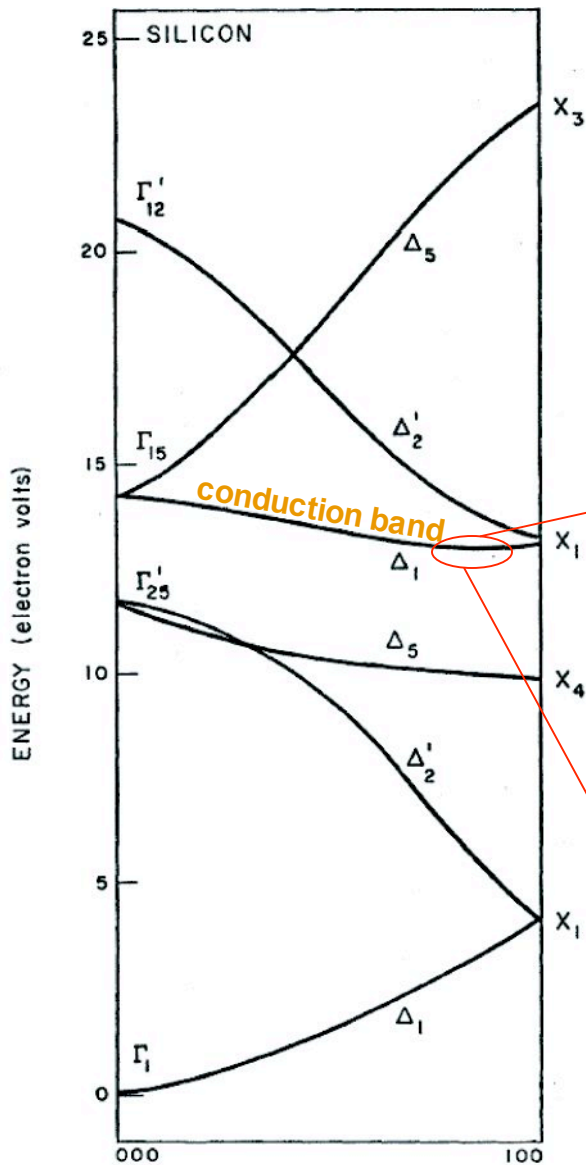
A quantum well quantum dot

Goal: a single electron tunably confined vertically and horizontally in a semiconductor nanostructure

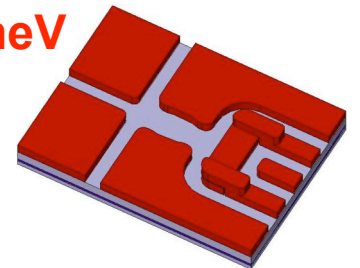
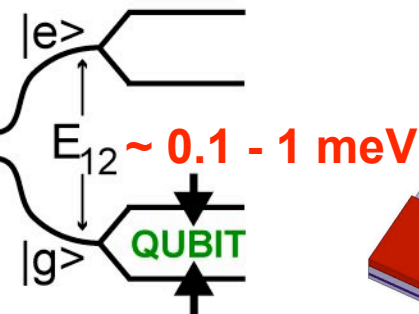
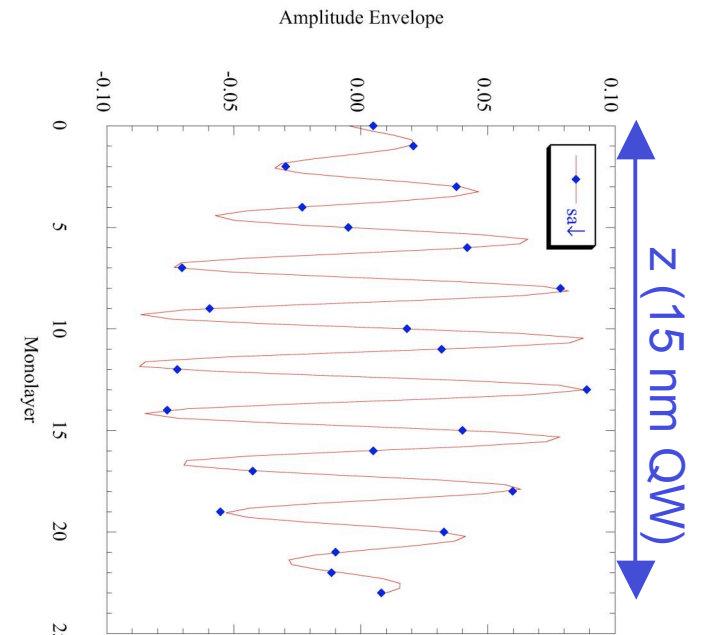


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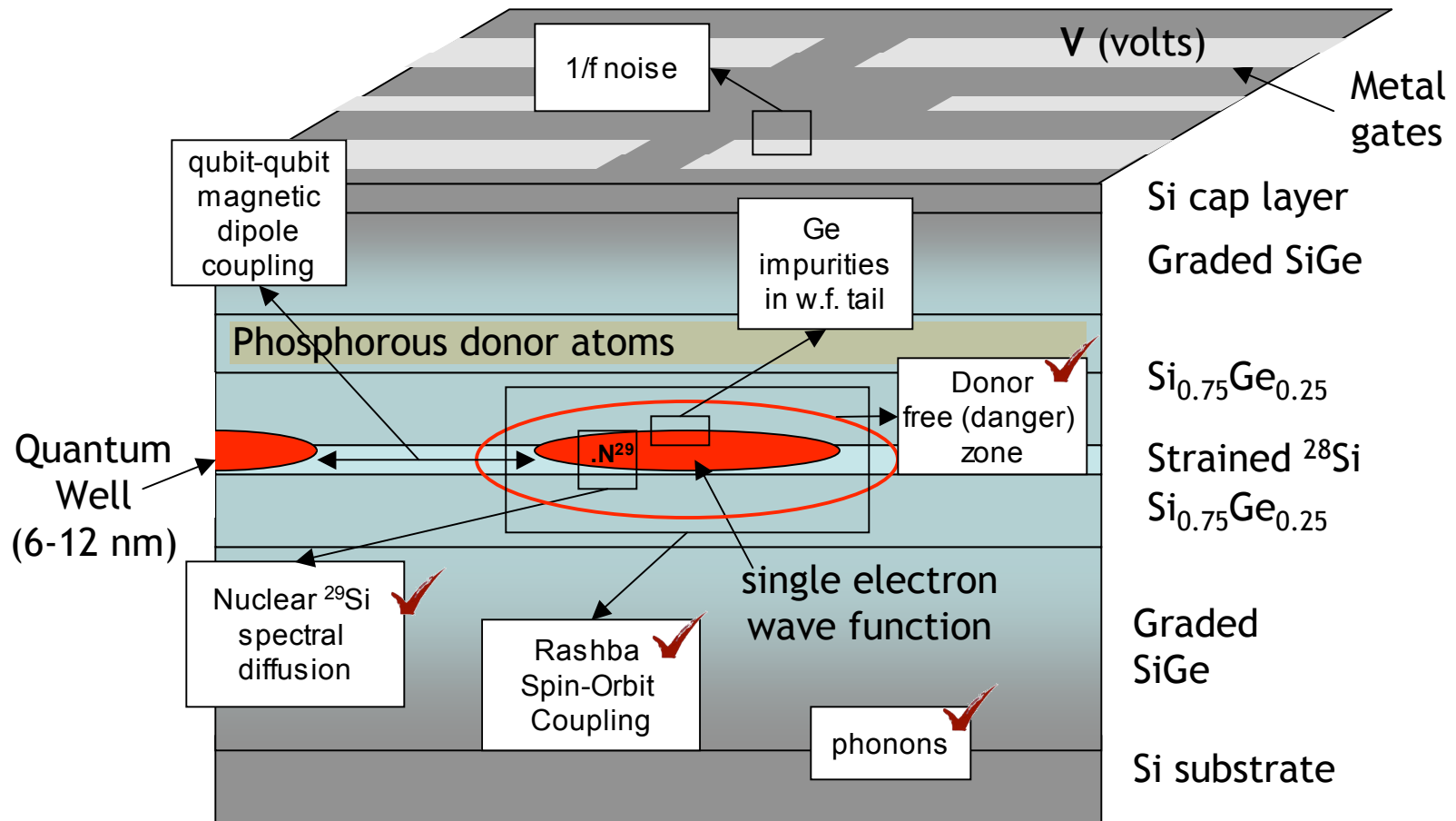
$$|\Psi\rangle = \text{Envelope} \times \text{Bloch}$$



Bloch functions



Decoherence

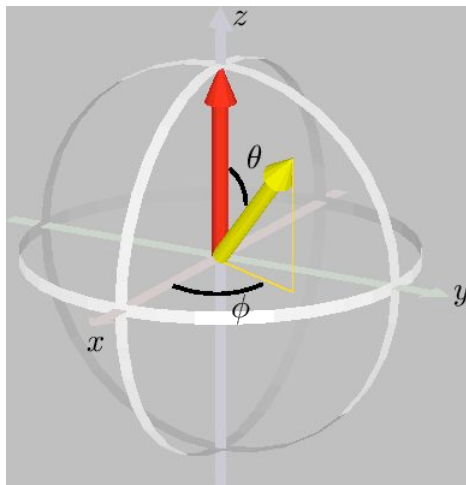


Universal QC

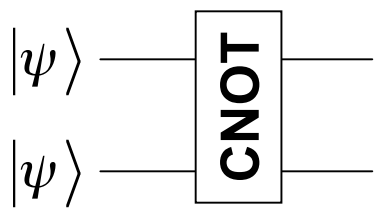
A *universal* set of gates can compute an arbitrary function (e.g. NAND for classical computation)

Quantum Algorithms/
Computer Science,
Math

Single qubit gates and **CNOT** are a universal set of gates for quantum computation.



$$\begin{aligned} \text{cnot}|00\rangle &= |00\rangle \\ \text{cnot}|01\rangle &= |01\rangle \\ \text{cnot}|10\rangle &= |11\rangle \\ \text{cnot}|11\rangle &= |10\rangle. \end{aligned}$$



A quantum circuit diagram showing two input qubits, both labeled $|\psi\rangle$, entering a rectangular box labeled "CNOT". Two output lines emerge from the box.

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

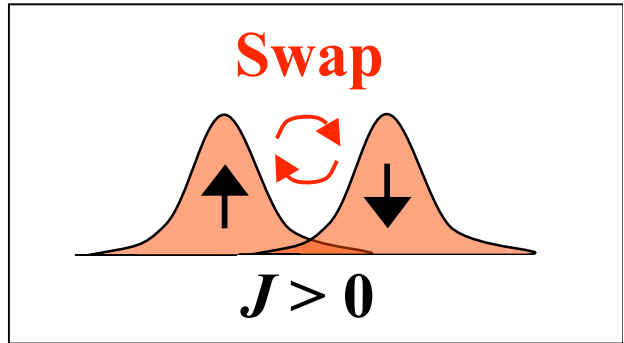
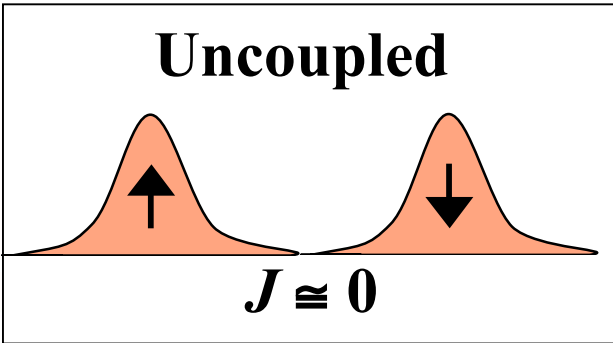
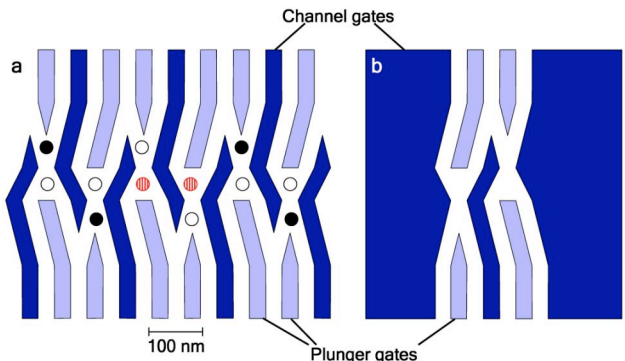
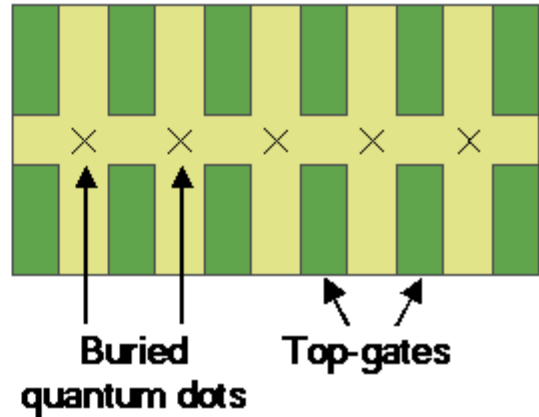
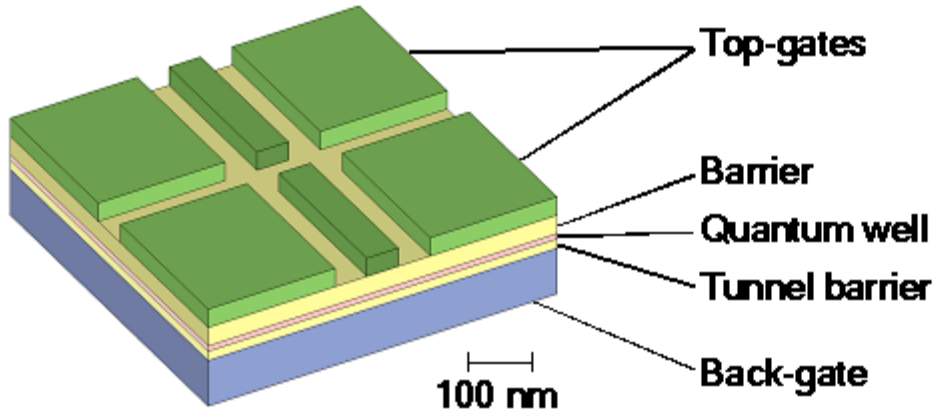
Entanglement

A quantum state of N qubits that cannot be written as a N-tensor product is said to be entangled.

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \neq |?\rangle_1 \otimes |?\rangle_2$$

“Spooky action at a distance”

Exchange and CNOT



H_2 quantum dots $\rightarrow H_{\text{eff}} = J \mathbf{s}_1 \cdot \mathbf{s}_2$

SWAP doesn't entangle but Sqrt[SWAP] does.

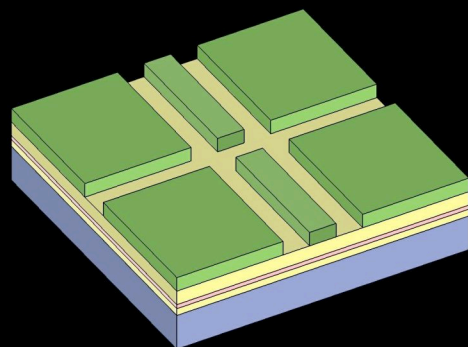
SWAP: $\text{Int}[J(t) dt] = \pi \hbar$

\Rightarrow CNOT

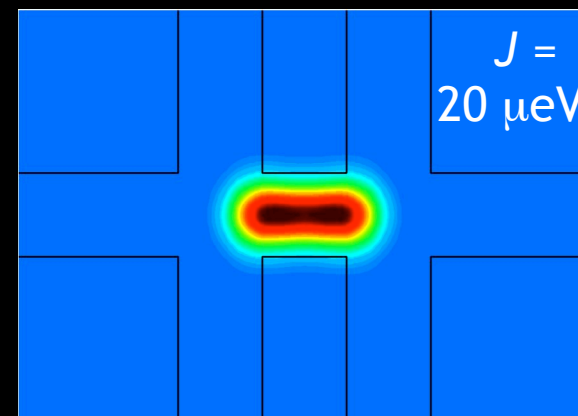
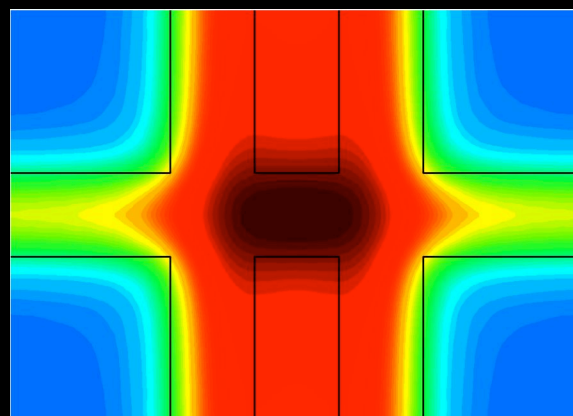
Simulation:

Coupled Qubits in Silicon

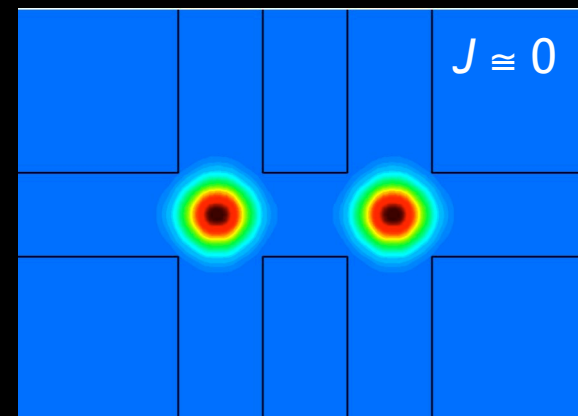
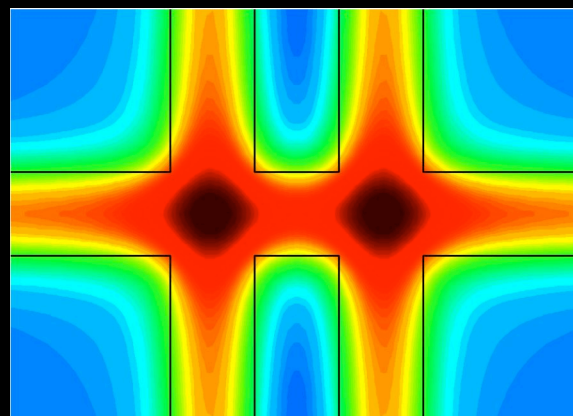
(Friesen, Rugheimer, Savage, et al., '03)



on



off



screened
potential

unscreened
potential

Exchange and CNOT

$$H_{\text{eff}} = J(t) \mathbf{s}_1 \cdot \mathbf{s}_2 \quad U(t)|\psi\rangle = e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} \mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2 \int J(t) dt}$$

$$\mathbf{S}^2 = \mathbf{S}_1^2 + \mathbf{S}_2^2 + 2\mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2$$

$$\int J(t) dt = JT / \hbar = \theta$$

$$U = e^{i\theta \mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2} = \exp \left[i\theta \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right] = e^{i\theta/4} U_{\text{SWAP}}$$

$$U_{\text{CNOT}} = e^{i(\pi/2)Z_1} e^{-i(\pi/2)Z_2} \sqrt{U_{\text{SWAP}}} e^{i(\pi/2)Z_1} \sqrt{U_{\text{SWAP}}}$$

One qubit operations

- Single qubit rotations on the Bloch sphere

$$U|\psi\rangle = e^{-iHt/\hbar}|\psi\rangle$$

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{--- [X] ---}$$

$$X|0\rangle = |1\rangle$$

$$U = e^{-i\theta X/2}$$

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{--- [Y] ---}$$

$$Z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{--- [Z] ---}$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{--- [H] ---}$$

$$H|0\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

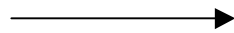
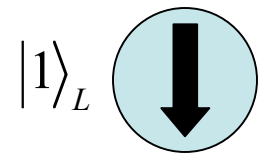
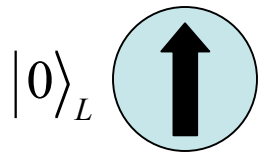
$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \exp(i\pi/4) \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{--- [T] ---}$$

Physical realization?

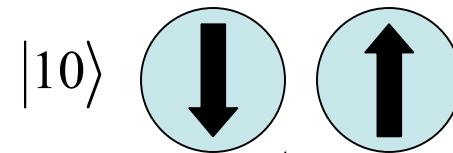
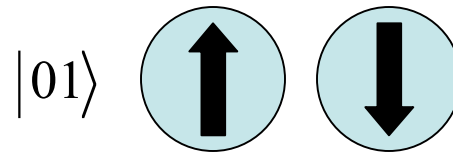
- ESR-AC Magnetic
- On-chip Magnetic
- Neighbor ferromagnetic dot
- encoded qubits

Encoded qubits

Logical qubit



Physical qubits



Doing a swap operation is the same as an X operation on the encoded space.

$$U_{SWAP}(1,2) = X|10\rangle = |01\rangle$$

Exchange is the same as rotation about X axis.

Initialization Schemes

- B-field
- Neighbor reference spin
- Optical pumping

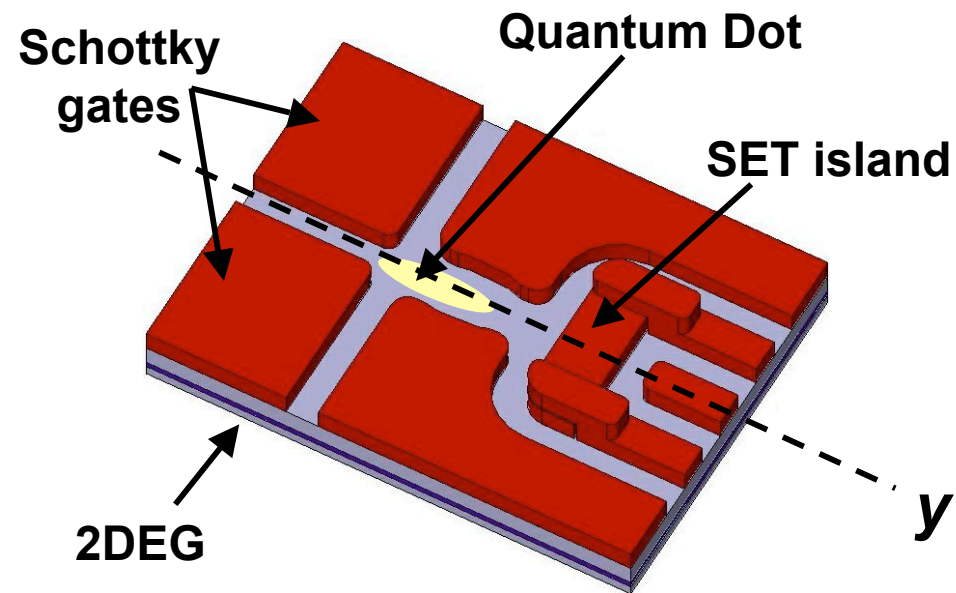
Readout Schemes

- Magnetic STM tip
- Spin-charge transduction
 - Spin-blockade transport measurement
 - Spin-orbital transduction

Device design for QD readout

[Friesen, Tahan, Joynt, Eriksson, *condmat*]

- Spin-dependent charge motion
- SET detection
- Microwave pumping

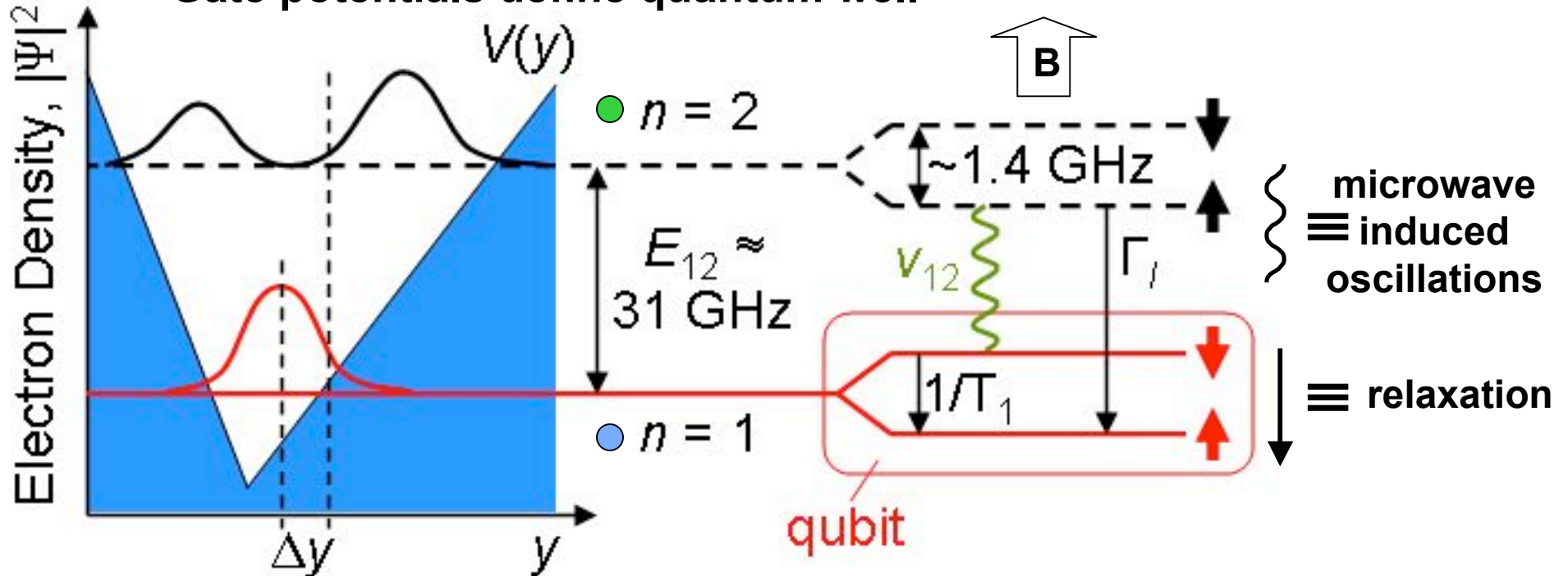


Fast readout and initialization is important for error correction

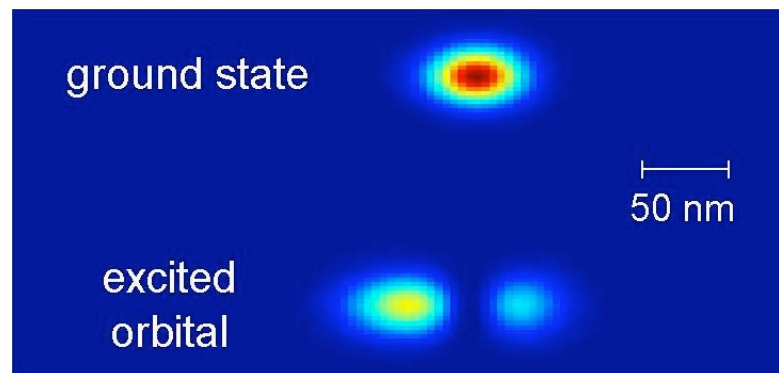
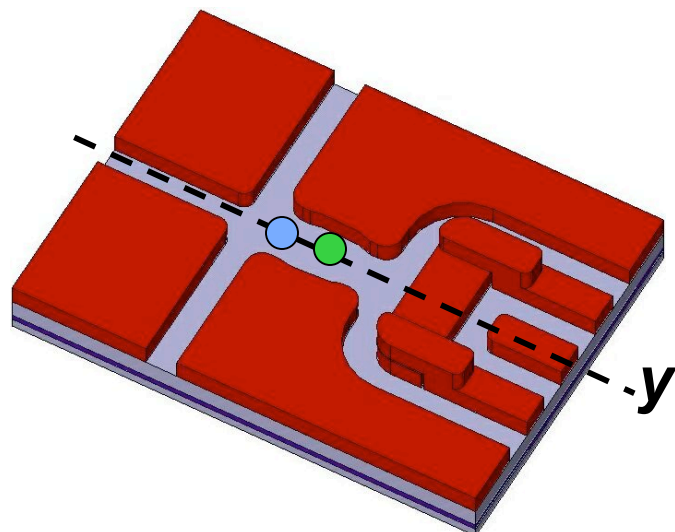
History... spin-charge transduction
Loss/Divincenzo,
Kane, ...

Charge movement in asymmetric well

Gate potentials define quantum well



- spin info to charge info via spin-dependent excitation



QEC - Active

No cloning theorem: it is NOT possible to make a copy of an unknown quantum state

The Shor code: 9 qubits

phase flip code

$$|0\rangle \rightarrow |0\rangle_L = |+++ \rangle$$

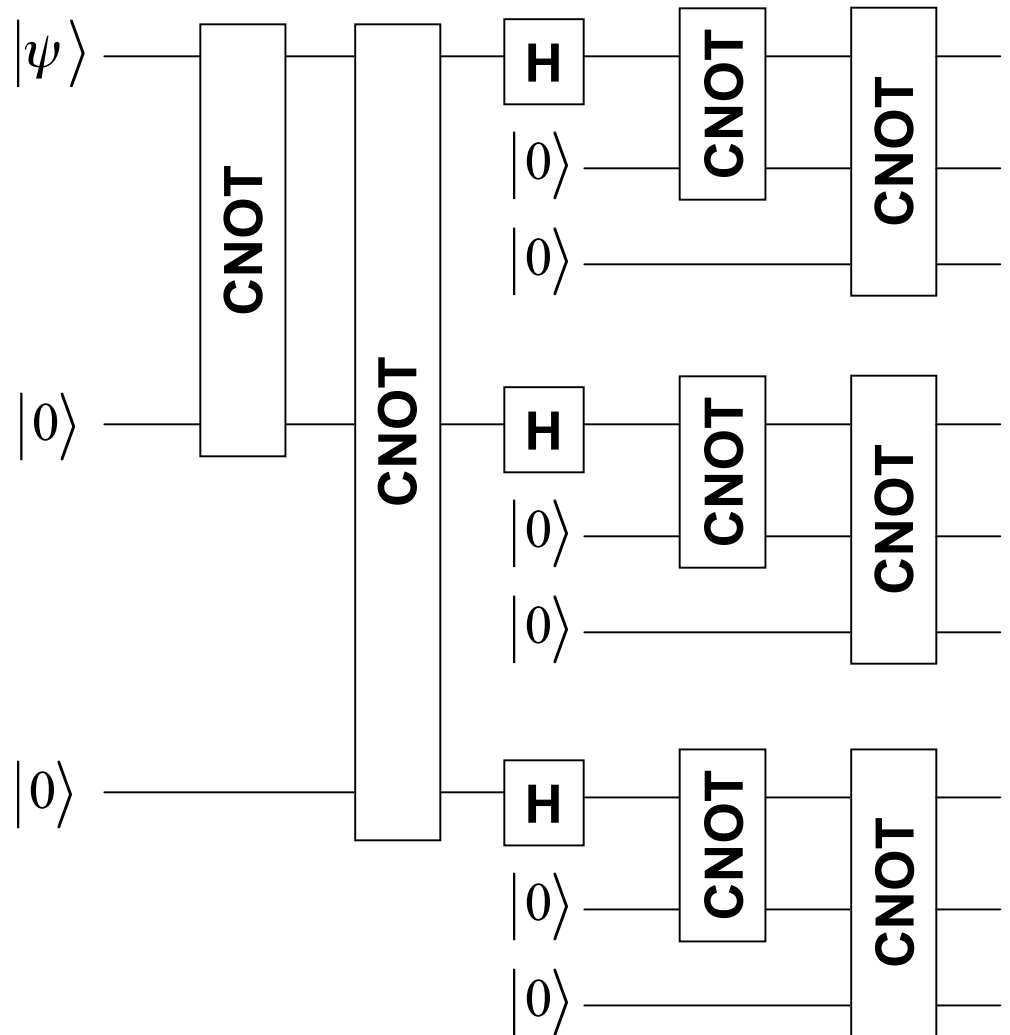
$$|1\rangle \rightarrow |1\rangle_L = |-- -- \rangle$$

bit flip code

$$|0\rangle \rightarrow |0\rangle_L = |000 \rangle$$

$$|1\rangle \rightarrow |1\rangle_L = |111 \rangle$$

Threshold theorem



QEC - Passive

- Decoherence Free Subspaces
- Encoded qubits
- Uses a symmetry of the problem

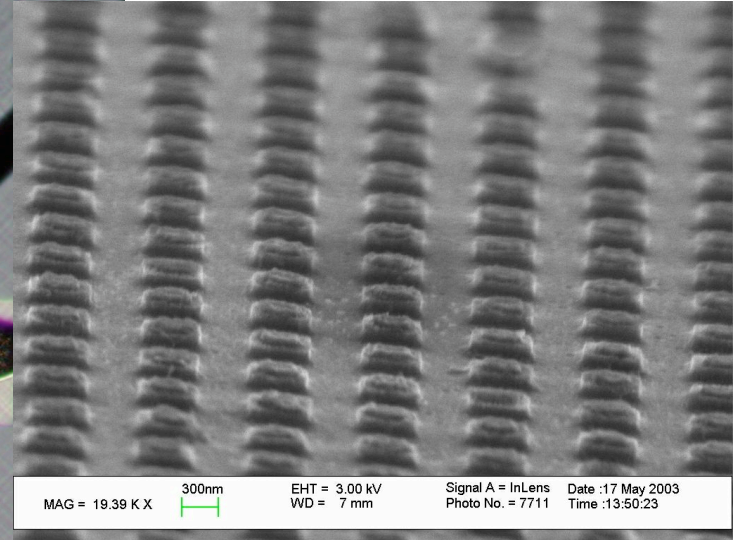
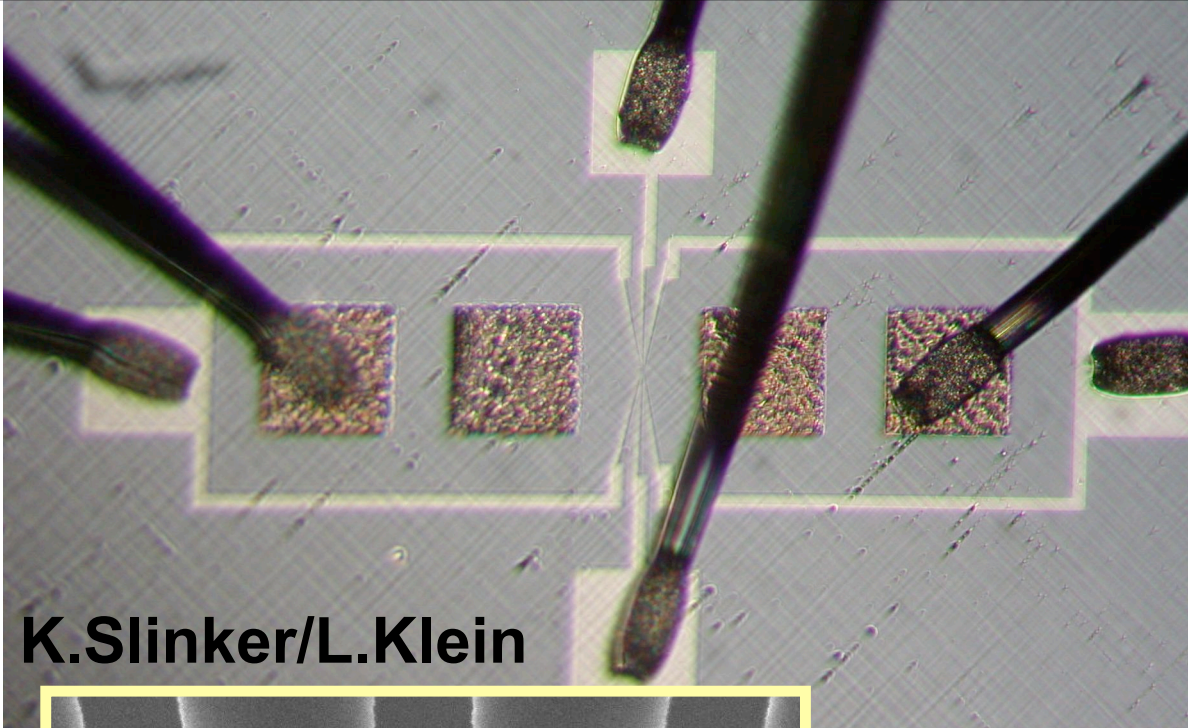
Example: Collective dephasing

Error: $|0\rangle \rightarrow |0\rangle$
 $|1\rangle \rightarrow e^{i\theta}|1\rangle$

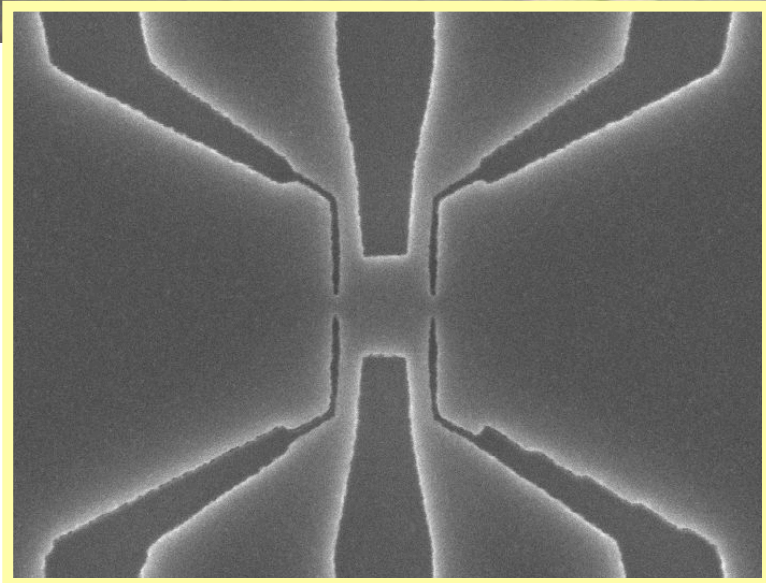
Encoding: $|0\rangle_L \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle - i|10\rangle)$
 $|1\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle + i|10\rangle)$

**Relative phases
do not change
under collective
dephasing**

Experimental Progress



K.Slinker/L.Klein



$\text{Si}_{.80}\text{Ge}_{.20}$

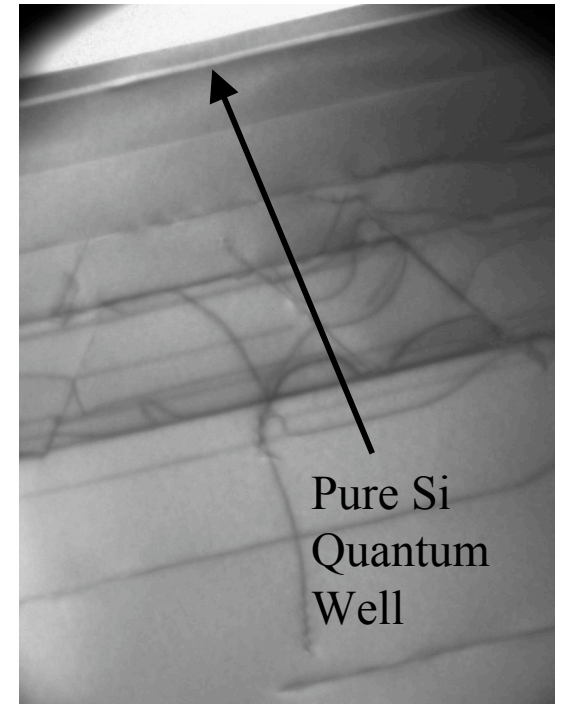
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$\text{Si}_{.85}\text{Ge}_{.15}$

$\text{Si}_{.90}\text{Ge}_{.10}$

$\text{Si}_{.95}\text{Ge}_{.05}$

Si substrate



Pure Si
Quantum
Well

The end

- Quantum dot quantum computing in silicon
- <http://qc.physics.wisc.edu/> for more information on this and all Wisconsin QC

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