

Towards simulating many-body physics on a NMR quantum simulator

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- Non-equilibrium systems: Dynamical quantum Hall effect

V. Conclusion

Why QS?

Simulating of quantum systems

- Classical computers

Exponential growth of Hilbert space

$$\dots \underset{n}{\dots} \dots \dots | \Psi \rangle = \sum_{i_1=1}^2 \dots \sum_{i_n=1}^2 c_{i_1 \dots i_n} | i_1 \dots i_n \rangle$$

System with 50 qubits

$2^{50} \approx 10^{15}$ complex amplitudes $\sim 32 \times 10^{15}$ bytes of information

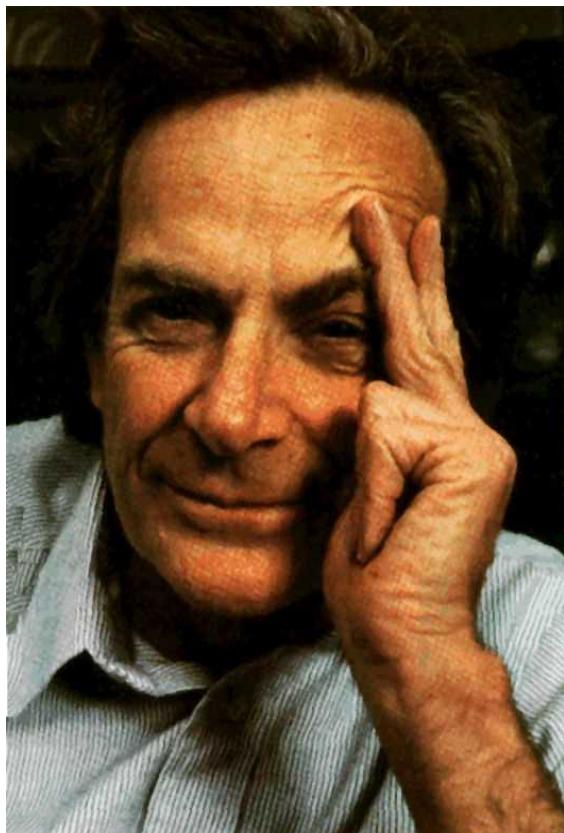
well beyond the capacity of existing computers

The Puzzle: Feynman’s main thesis was quantum systems could not be efficiently imitated on classical systems.

Why QS?

Simulating of quantum systems

- Quantum computers - Universal quantum simulators



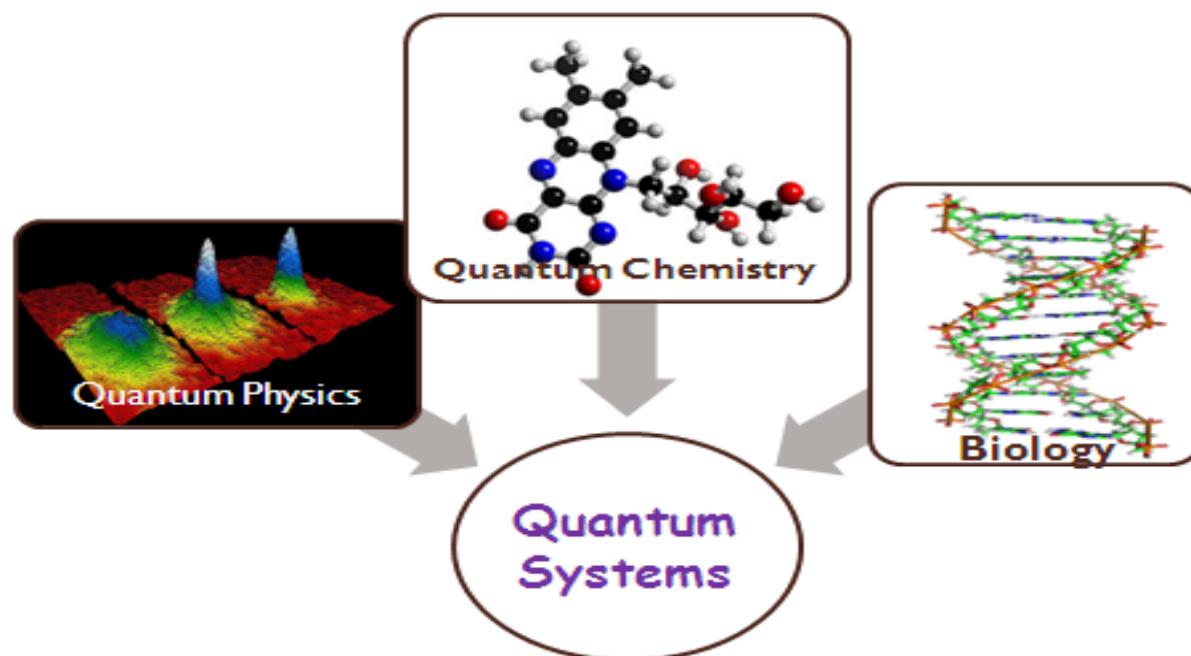
1982 Richard P. Feynmann

R.P. Feynman, “Simulating Physics with Computers”, *Int. J. Theor. Phys.* **21**, 467-488, 1982

Can we do it with a new kind of computer – a quantum computer? Now it turns out, as far as I can tell, that you can simulate this with a quantum system, with quantum computer elements. [...] I therefore believe it’s true that with a suitable class of quantum machines you can imitate any quantum system, including the physical world.

What is QS?

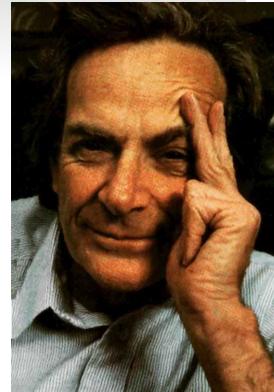
- Quantum simulation: simulating a quantum system by quantum mechanical means.
- Quantum simulator: a controllable quantum system used to simulate or emulate other quantum systems



量子计算

主要应用

经典难题
量子算法



量子系统
量子模拟

$$N = p^*q$$

分解一个300位的整数所需时间比较

	经典计算机	量子计算机
算法	二次筛法	Shor算法
步数	10^{24}	10^{10}
CPU频率	1 THz	1 THz
时间	15万年	1秒

$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{i_1=1}^2 \dots \sum_{i_n=1}^2 c_{i_1\dots i_n} |i_1\dots i_n\rangle$$

$n=50$

$\sim 32 \times 10^{15}$ 字节经典信息

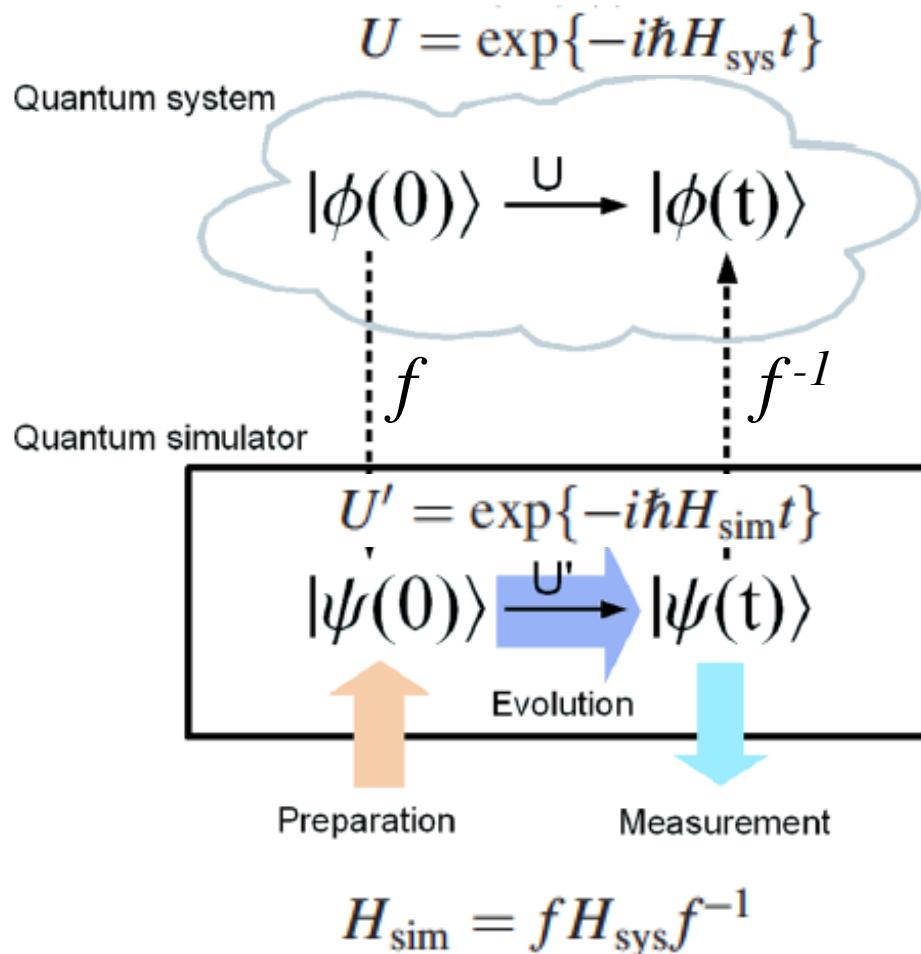
50位量子比特信息

中等规模的量子仿真即有可能超越经典计算的极限，在实际问题的解决中展现量子计算的优势！

Quantum simulator \neq Universal quantum computer

Basic principle of QS

QS: a controllable quantum system used to simulate or emulate other quantum systems



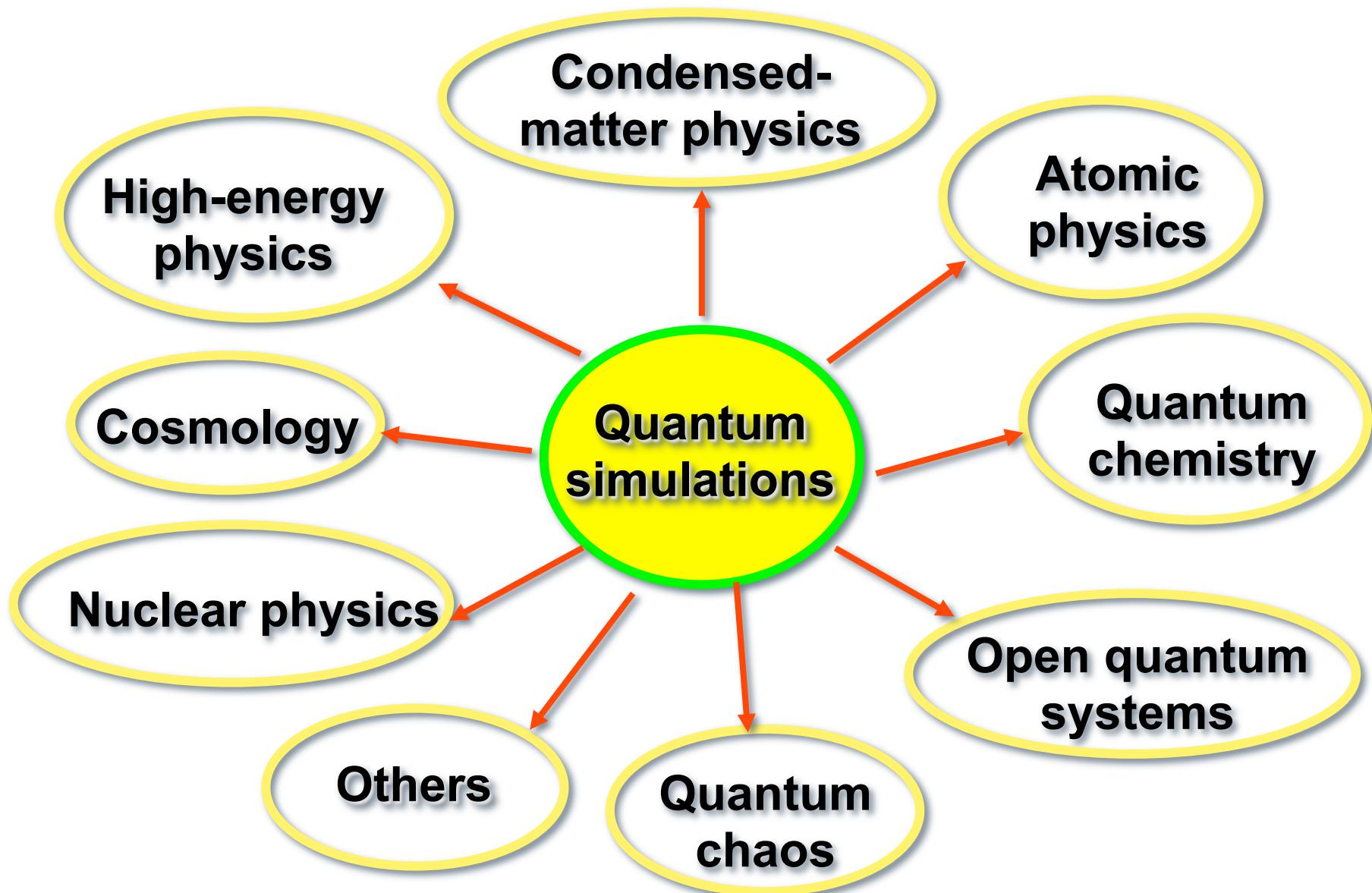
Two types:

Digital quantum simulation: to use qubits to encode the state of the quantum system, “translate” its unitary evolution in terms of elementary quantum gates, and implement them in a circuitbased quantum computer.

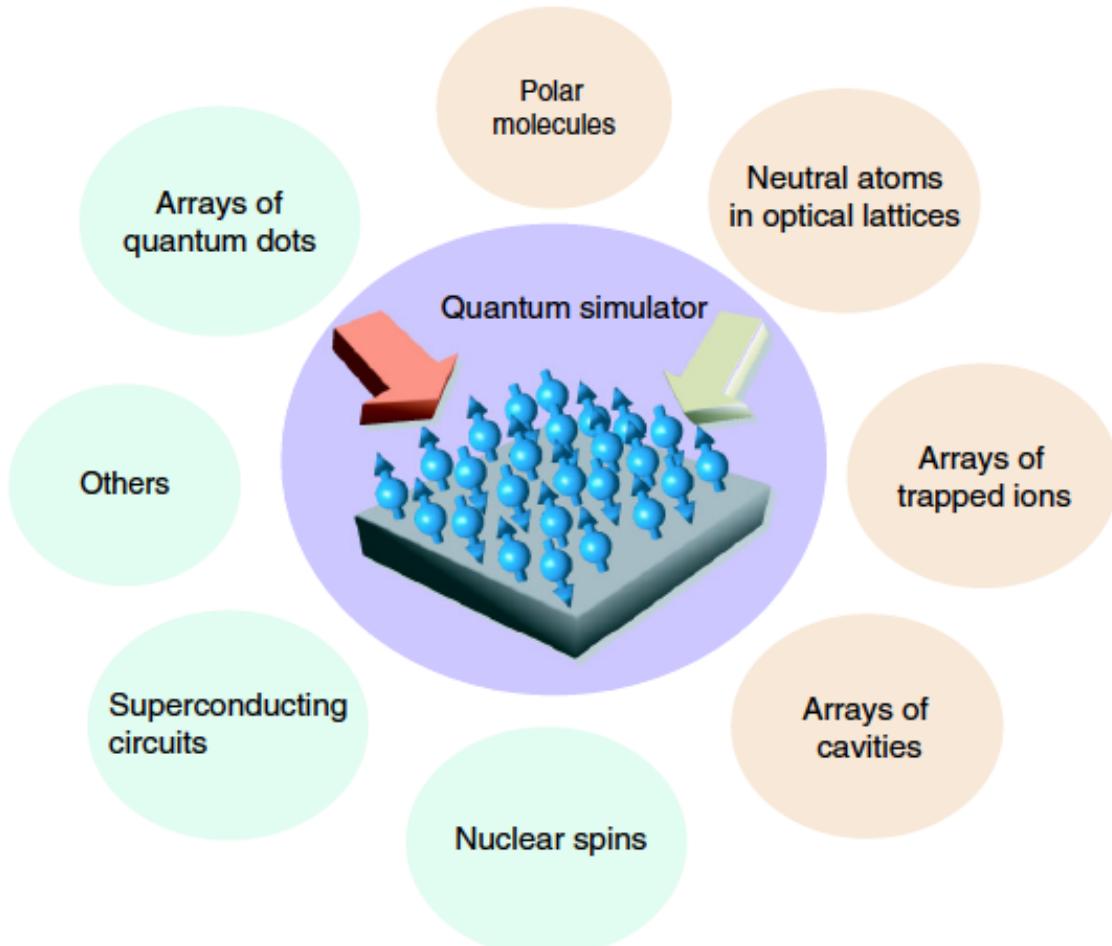
Analog quantum simulation: to map the evolution of the system to be simulated onto the controlled evolution of the quantum simulator

$$H_{\text{sys}} \leftrightarrow H_{\text{sim}}.$$

Applications of QS



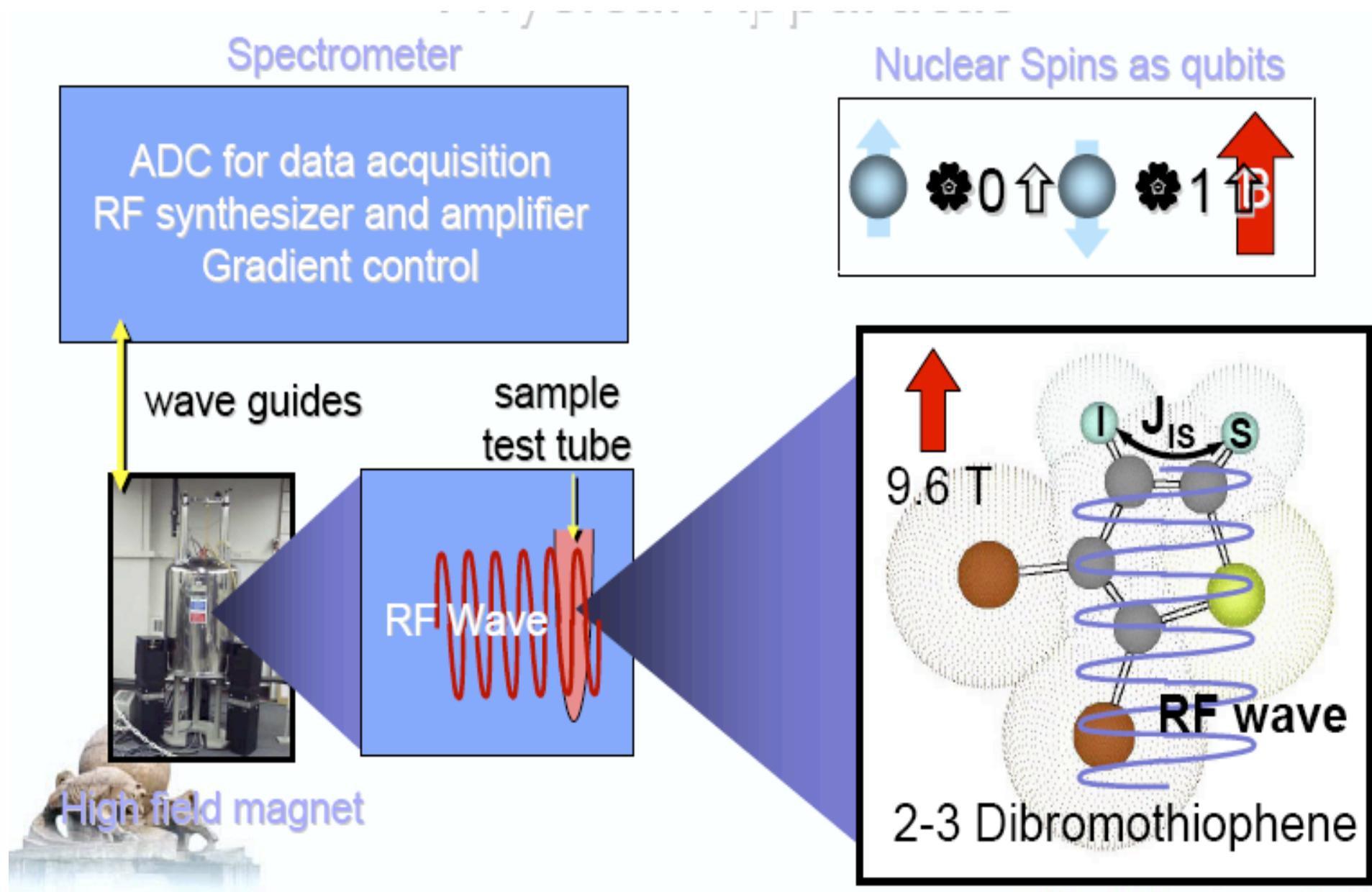
Physical implementations of QS



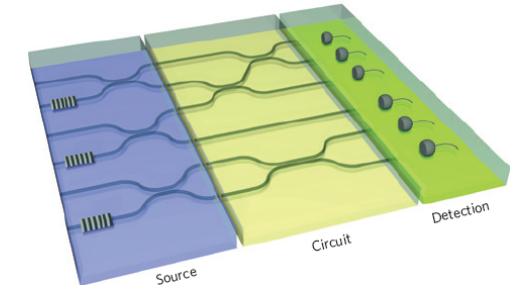
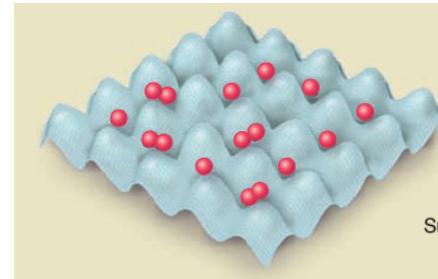
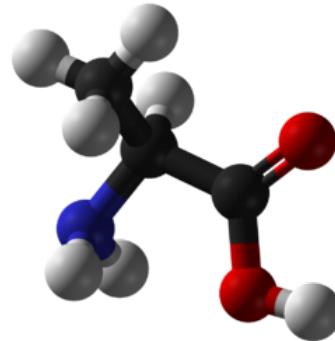
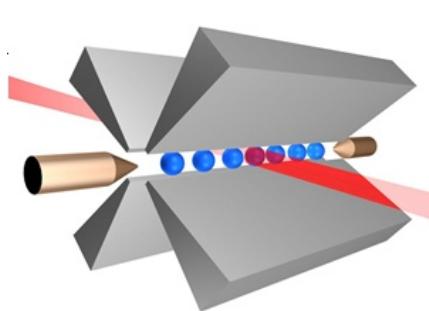
核自旋体系

- 核自旋具有较长的消相干时间
- 相当成熟的磁共振技术
- 很好的测试平台

NMR QIP



Different classes of quantum simulations



- explore new physics (perhaps even trackable classically)
- outperform classical computation (address the classically non-trackable)

Quantum harmonic and anharmonic oscillators

Many-fermion system

Quantum spin model (quantum phase transition)

Localization effects by decoherence

Quantum walk

Quantum chemistry

Quantum chaos

Paring Hamiltonian

Quantum Tunneling

Basic principle of QS

Main steps

- ***Mapping***
- ***Initialization***
 - Direct state construction
 - Adiabatic quantum state preparation
- ***Hamiltonian engineering***
 - Lloyd's method (Average Hamiltonian theory)
 - Quantum network
- ***Measurement***
 - Quantum state tomography (full characterization)
 - Phase estimation algorithm (Energy spectrum and eigenstates)
 - Specialized measurement scheme to extract the desired observables (e.g., correlation functions)

Mapping

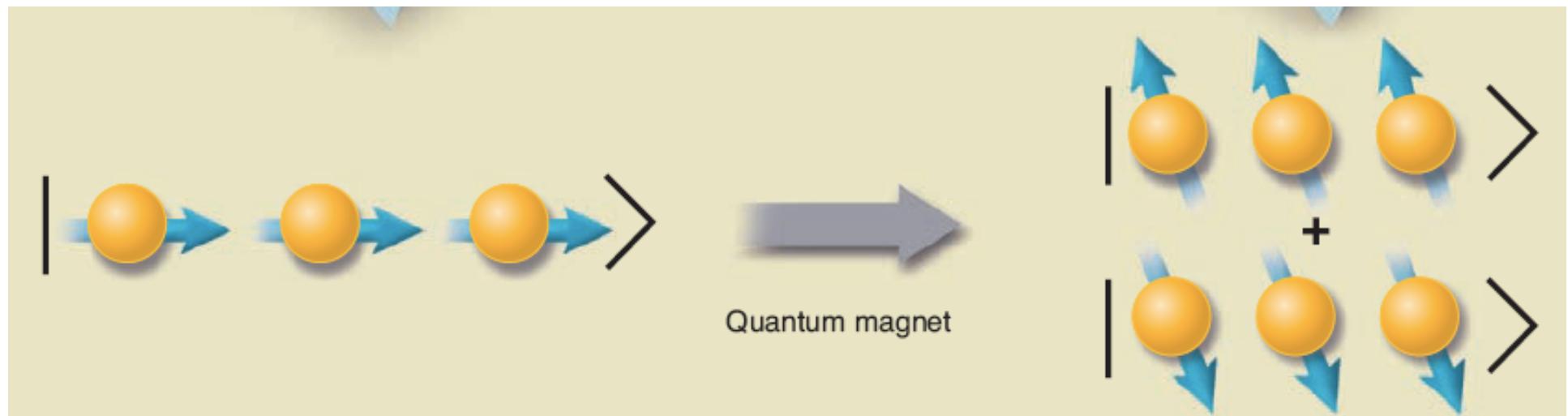
Quantum spin model (Quantum magnets)

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^n B_i \sigma_{iz} + \sum_{i < j=1}^n (J_{ij}^x \sigma_{ix} \sigma_{jx} + J_{ij}^y \sigma_{iy} \sigma_{jy} + J_{ij}^z \sigma_{iz} \sigma_{jz})$$

External fields **Heisenberg couplings**

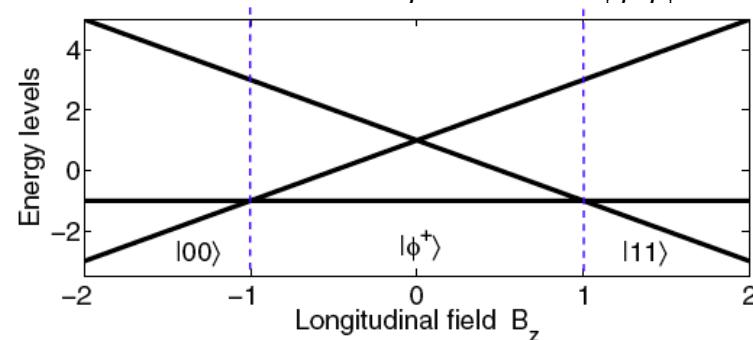
Heisenberg isotropic, Ising, XX, XY, XYZ model

Mapping: A more realistic model in that it treats the spins quantum-mechanically, by replacing the spin by a quantum operator (Pauli spin-1/2 matrices at spin 1/2).



Simulating quantum-spin-systems

$$H = B^z \sum_i \sigma_i^z + J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z$$



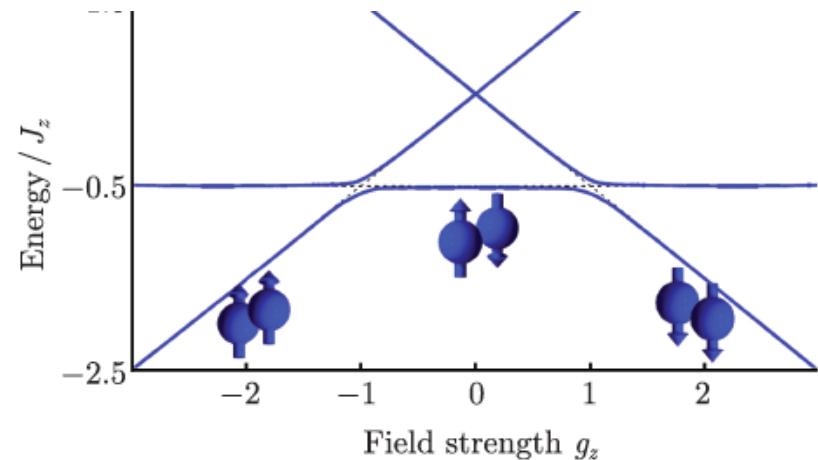
First-order phase transition
how to simulate

Ising model

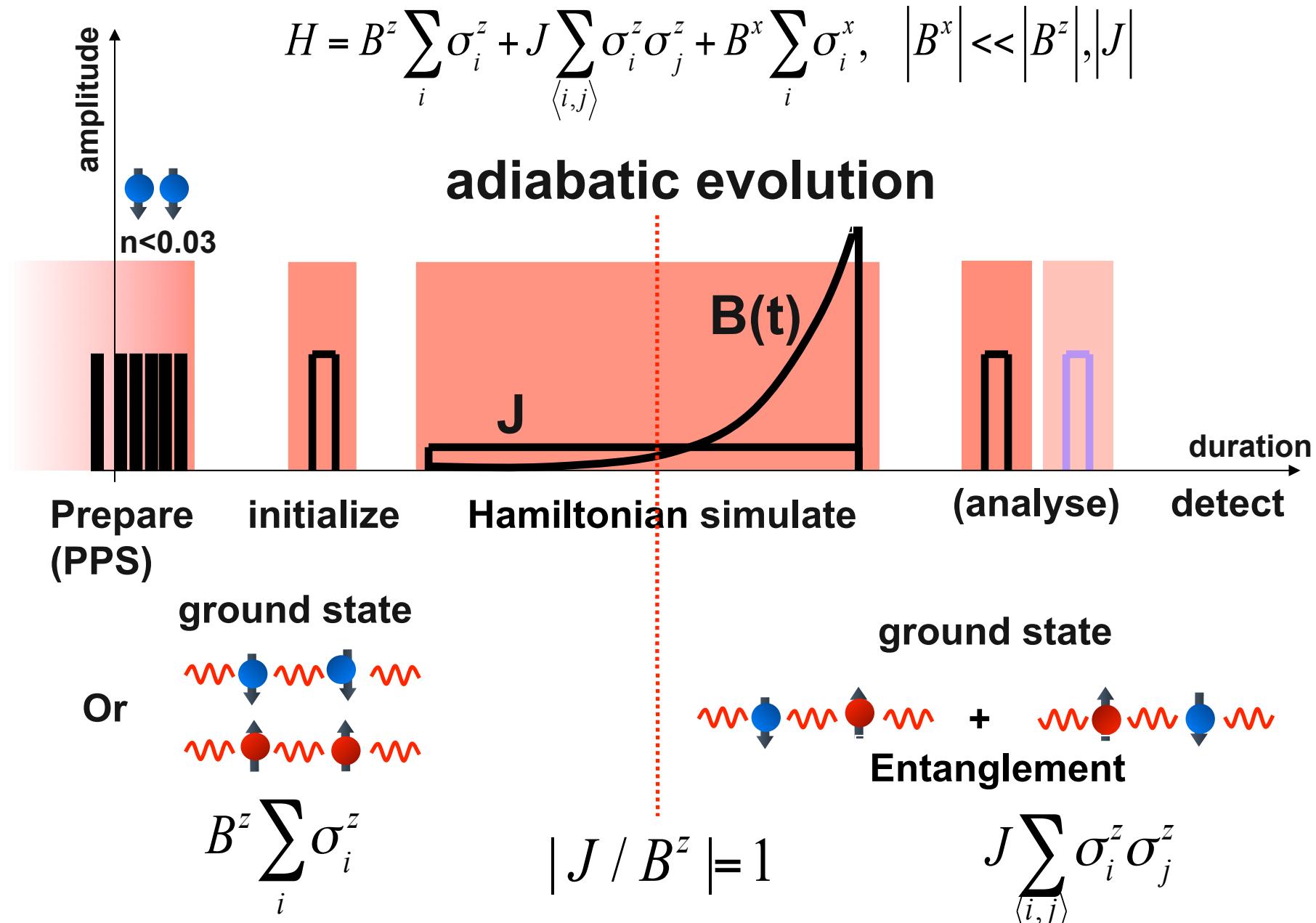
- spin σ
- magnetic field B
- Spin-spin interaction J
- ground state
- detection

$$H = B^z \sum_i \sigma_i^z + J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \sigma_i^z \sigma_j^z + B^x \sum_i \sigma_i^x, \quad |B^x| \ll |B^z|, |J|$$

- Nuclear spins
- Average Hamiltonian theory
- Use pseudo-pure states & Adiabatic evolution
- Landau-Zener anticrossing

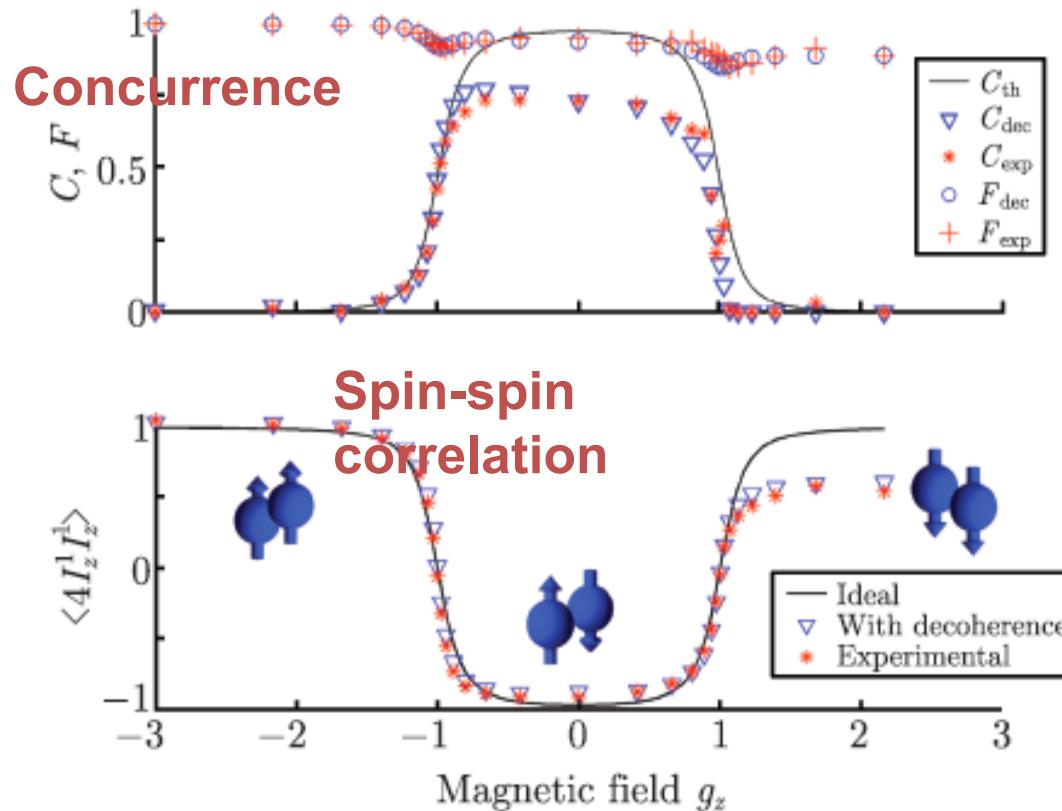


Quantum “baby” phase transition



Entanglement and QPTs

Change in the ground-state wavefunction in the critical region: the concurrence as a function of λ .



XH Peng et al., PRA 72, 052109 (2005)

simulating a quantum magnet

2008年德国研究小组在离子阱中的类似实现

LETTERS

Simulating a quantum magnet with trapped ions

两个离子

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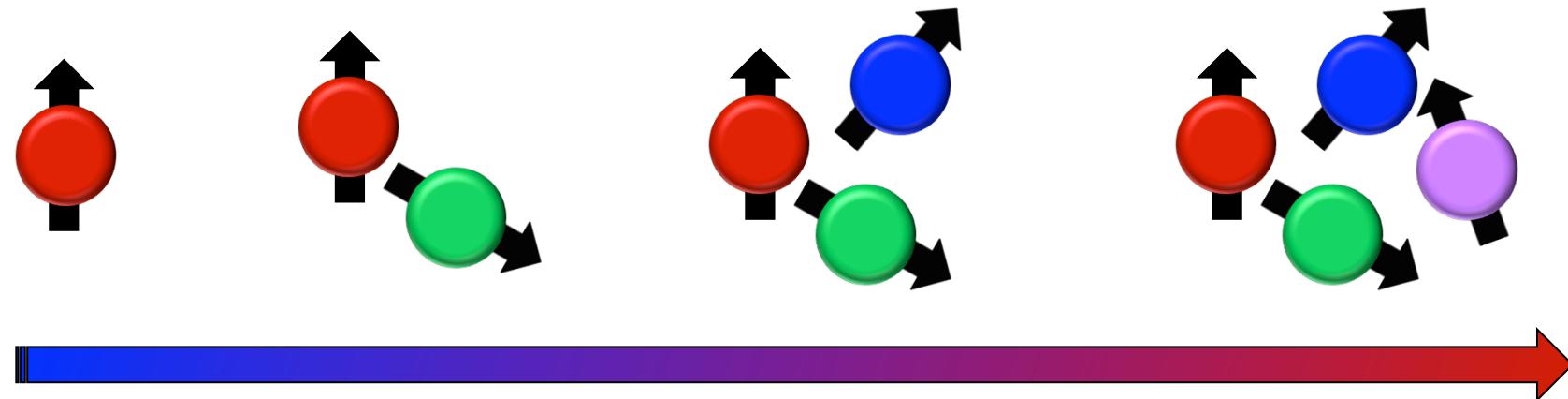
nature physics | VOL 4 | OCTOBER 2008 |

Here we study the building blocks for simulating quantum spin Hamiltonians with trapped ions². We experimentally simulate the adiabatic evolution of the smallest non-trivial spin system from paramagnetic into ferromagnetic order with a quantum magnetization for two spins of 98%. We prove that the transition is not driven by thermal fluctuations but is of quantum-mechanical origin (analogous to quantum fluctuations in quantum phase transitions³). We observe a final superposition state of the two degenerate spin configurations for the ferromagnetic order ($|↑↑\rangle + |↓↓\rangle$), corresponding to deterministic entanglement achieved with 88% fidelity. This method should allow for scaling to a higher number of coupled spins², enabling implementation of simulations that are intractable on conventional computers.

译注：实验模拟了最小非平凡的两自旋体系从顺磁序到铁磁序的绝热演化。……我们观察到铁磁序的两个简并组态的叠加态，取得了88%保真度的确定性纠缠。

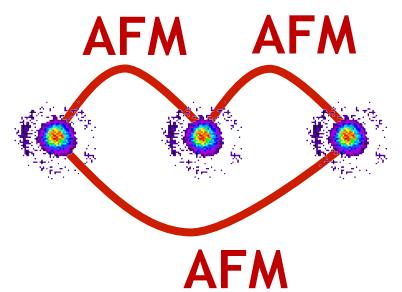
Exotic quantum many-body physics

Spin Chain (complex interaction)

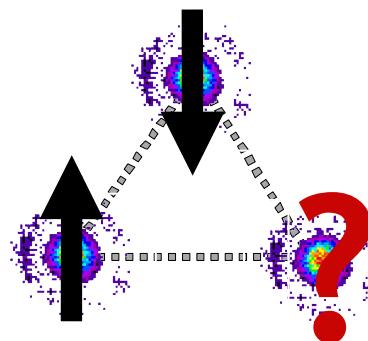


Many-body interaction

New
Physics?



$$J_{12}=J_{13}=J_{23}>0$$



Degenerated ground state

Frustration

Entanglement

多自旋系统的绝热量子模拟



↑
2002年关于“多体系统中纠缠和量子相变”的研究引发了这一领域一系列重要的理论工作，然而，没有任何的实验验证。

[Phys. Rev. A 72, 052109 \(2005\)](#)
[Phys. Rev. Lett. 103, 140501 \(2009\)](#)
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What about thermal systems?

Previous experiments:

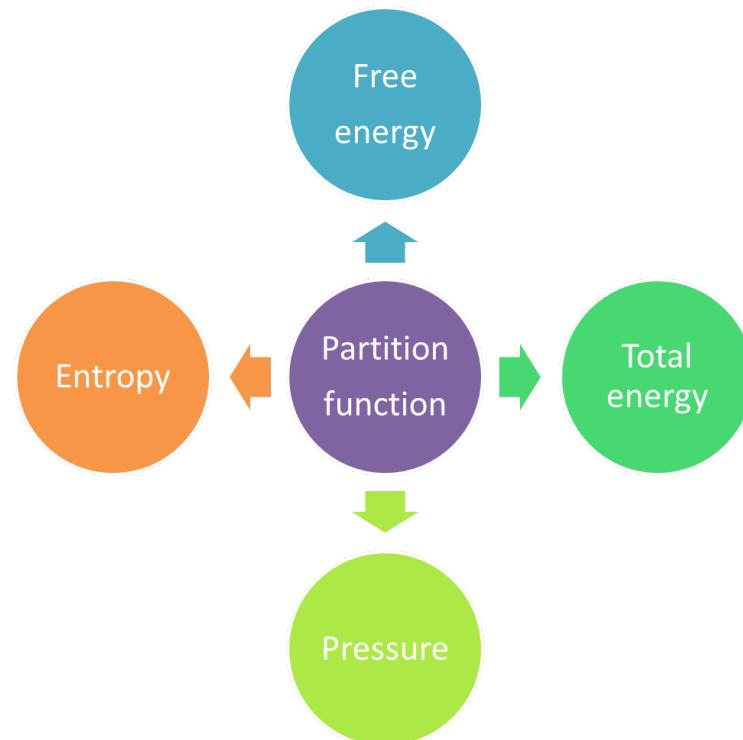
QPT \longleftrightarrow Simulating ground states ($T = 0$)

Thermal systems ($T > 0$)?

Partition functions

$$Z(\beta, h) = \text{Tr}[e^{-\beta H}]$$

describe the statistical properties of a system in thermodynamic equilibrium and play a central role in statistical mechanics.



Thermal systems: Lee-Yang Zeros



1952, T. D. Lee and C. N. Yang:
Phys. Rev. 87, 410–419 (1952)

Lee Yang Zeros: Partition functions of thermal systems vanish at certain points on the complex plane of fugacity or a magnetic field.

Unit-circle theorem: All zeros of a general Ising ferromagnet are purely imaginary and located on the unit circle.

$$Z(\beta, h) = p_0 e^{\beta N h} \prod_{n=1}^N (z - z_n) \quad Z_n = e^{i\theta}$$

Imaginary → not physical

$$z = e^{-2\beta h}$$

Wick rotation

imaginary inverse temperature → time → Observable

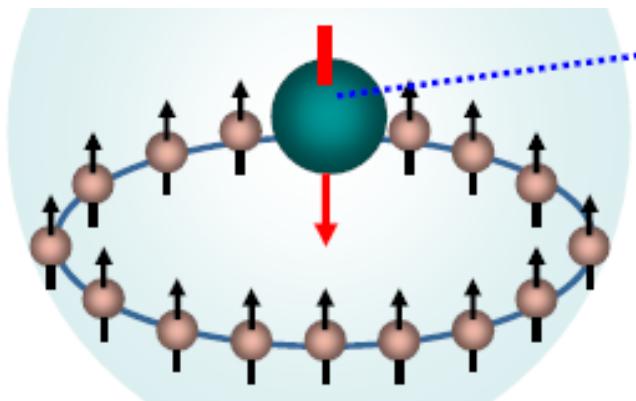
Lee-yang zeros and spin coherence

arbitrary Ising model: $H(h) = -\sum J_{ij} \sigma_i \sigma_j - h \sum \sigma_j$

probe-bath coupling: $H_I = -2\lambda S_z \sum \sigma_j \equiv -2\lambda S_z H_1 \equiv -S_z \mathbf{B}$

Lee-Yang Zeros:

$$[H(h), H_I] = 0$$



Spin Coherence: $L(t) = e^{-2iN\lambda t} \frac{Z(\beta, h - i2t\lambda / \beta)}{Z(\beta, h)}$

由于辅助比特和系统之间存在的相互作用，相当于在该热力学系统上附加一个虚数磁场偏移，这使得实验探测复参数空间中的李-杨零点成为可能。

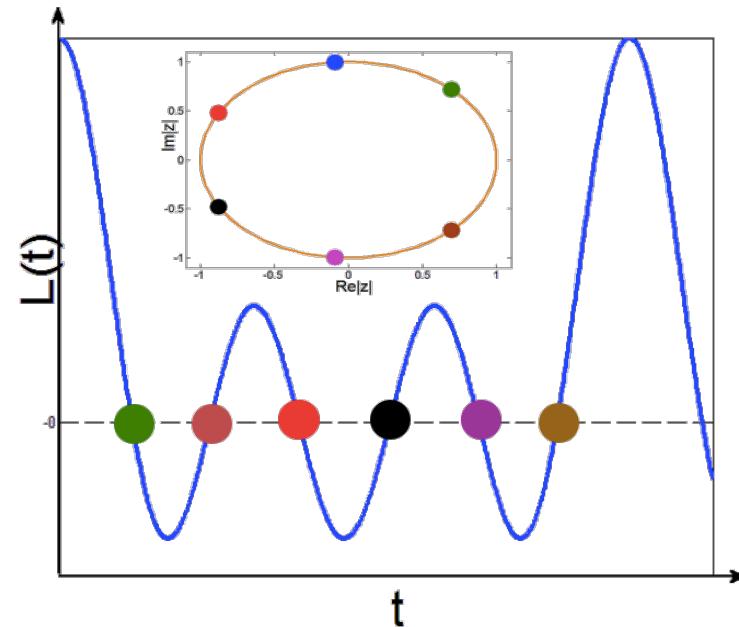
$$= e^{-2iN\lambda t} \frac{\prod_{n=1}^N (e^{-2\beta h} e^{4i\lambda t} - Z_n)}{\prod_{n=1}^N (e^{-2\beta h} - Z_n)}$$

• Lee-yang zeros and spin coherence

探测自旋的相干项包含了该系统的李-杨零点信息,尤其是在外磁场为零情况下:

$$h = 0 \Rightarrow 4\lambda t_n = \arg(z_n)$$

- Imaginary Lee-Yang zeros now accessible
- Coherence zeros @ Lee-Yang zeros



• 实验体系

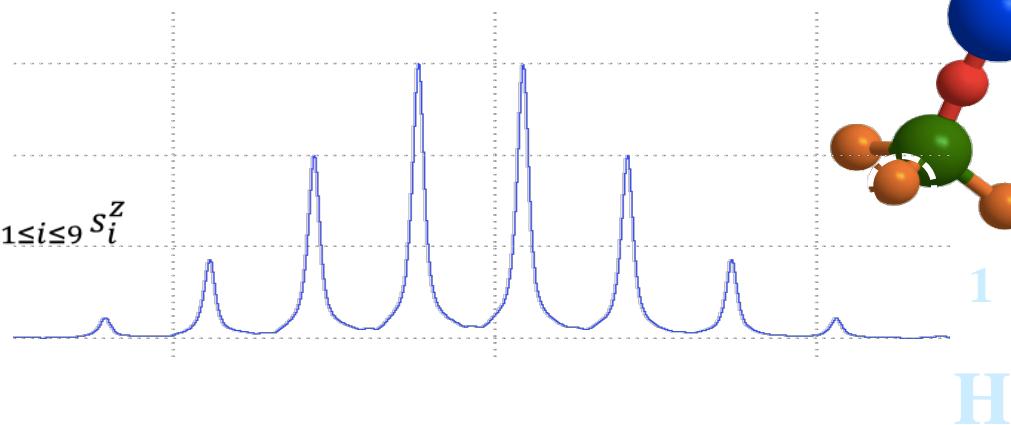
我们采用使用亚磷酸三甲酯(TMP)作为量子模拟器，9个等价的¹H核自旋(用 s_1, s_2, \dots, s_9 表示，在实验中模拟铁磁相互作用长程Ising模型)和一个³¹P核自旋(s_0 ，在实验中模拟探测自旋)，¹H与³¹P之间耦合 $\lambda=10.57\text{Hz}$ 。

$$H_{\text{TMP}} = -\nu_H \sum_{j=1}^9 s_j^z - \nu_P s_0^z - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 9} J_{ij} \mathbf{s}_i \cdot \mathbf{s}_j + \lambda s_0^z \sum_{j=1}^9 s_j^z$$

$$H_{\text{eff}} = -J \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 9} s_i^z s_j^z - h \sum_{1 \leq i \leq 9} s_i^z$$

在室温条件下：

$$\rho_{eq}^{TMP} \cong \varepsilon_P s_0^z + \varepsilon_H \sum_{1 \leq i \leq 9} s_i^z$$



• 实验过程

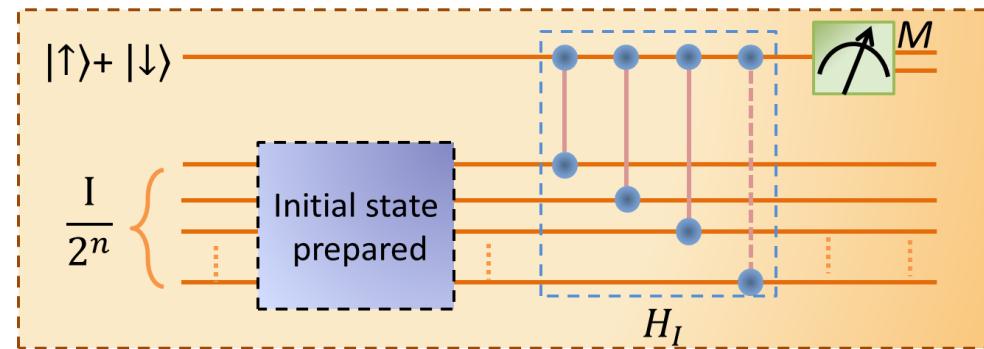
基于核磁共振量子模拟机，我们在实验上模拟探测了铁磁伊辛模型李-杨零点这一过程。

实验过程

初态制备

系统演化

测量



• 实验过程 – 有效温度模拟

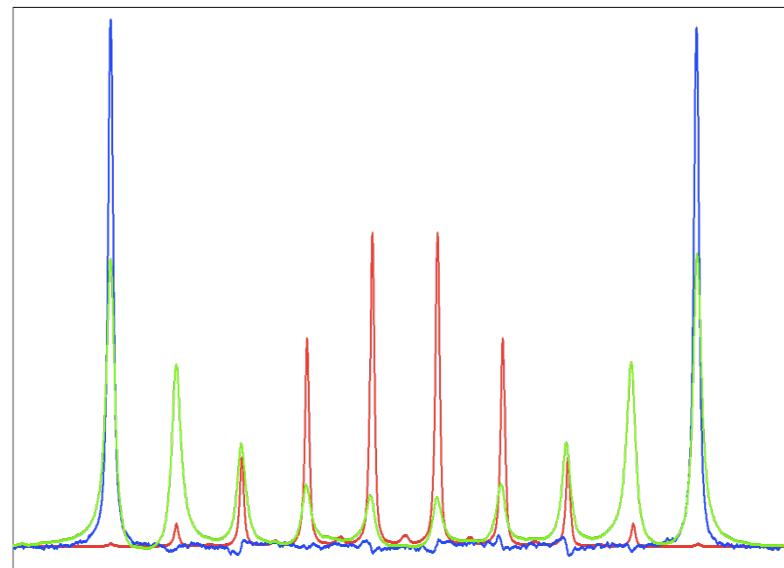
把探测自旋的初始状态一并考虑在内，我们需要制备 $\rho_{in} = s_0^x \otimes \rho_{eff}$
由于 ρ_m 和 ^{31}P 的每个共振谱线对应，我们可以对特定的共振谱线进行激发，
并使不同谱线之间激发的强度满足不同有效初始态要求。

➤ 实验模拟实现不同有效
温度系统的NMR谱线

红色 $\rightarrow T_{eff} = \infty$

绿色 $\rightarrow T_{eff} = 15J/8$

蓝色 $\rightarrow T_{eff} = 9J/40$

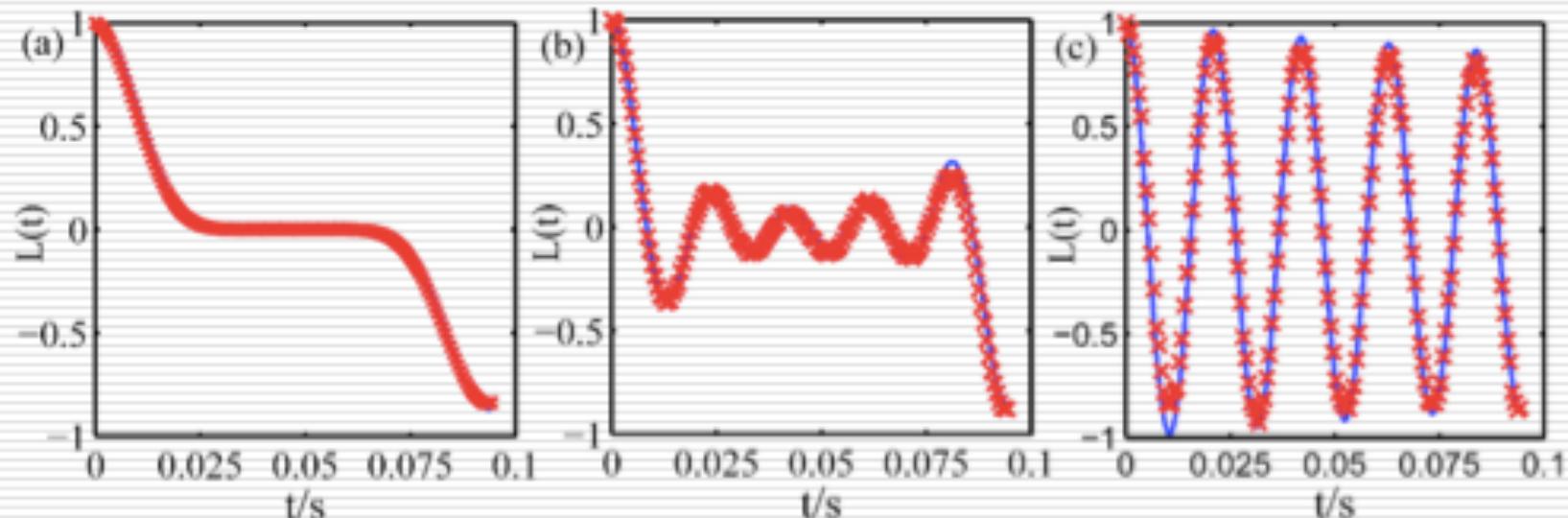


为了确定初始态制备的成功，通过部分态层析方法：

$$\text{保真度 } F = \frac{\text{Tr}[\rho_{exp} * \rho_{th}]}{\sqrt{\text{Tr}[\rho_{exp}^2 * \rho_{th}^2]}} > 0.99$$

• 实验结果

探测自旋的相干 $L(t)$ 的实验数据点可以通过 ^{31}P 的FID直接获得。

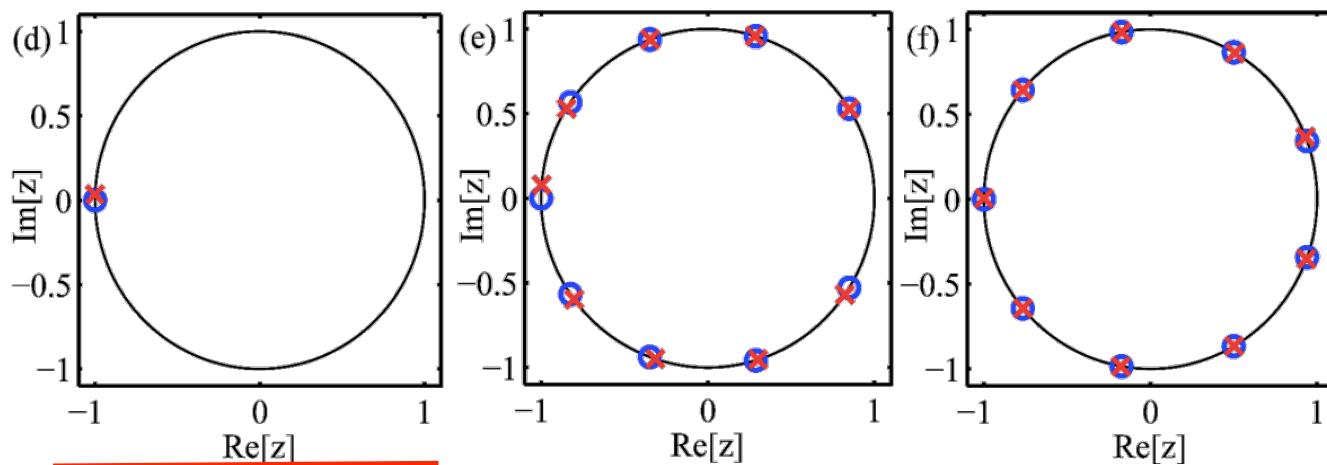


➤ 红色X号表示实验中辅助比特相干随时间的演化结果，蓝色实线表示理论预期结果。从左至右分别对应了有效温度 $T_{\text{eff}} = \infty, 15\text{J}/8, 9\text{J}/40$

最后我们用多项式拟合对实验数据进行拟合获得相干 $L(t)$ 的零点 t_n 。

• 实验结果

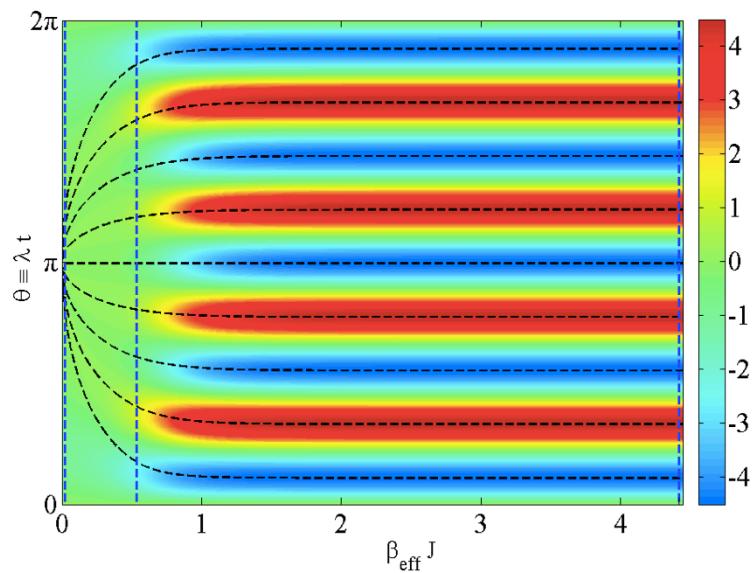
一旦知道 t_n , 利用公式 $z_n = e^{-i\lambda t_n} = e^{-i\theta_n}$, 单位圆上的李-杨零点就可以获得。



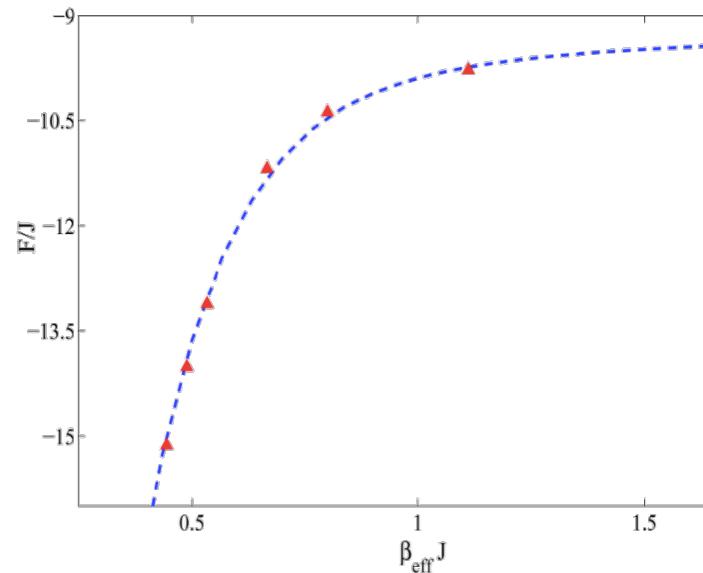
➤ 红色X号表示实验中辅助比特相干测量到的李-杨零点, 蓝色圆圈表示理论预期结果。从左至右分别对应了有效温度 $T_{eff} = \infty, 15J/8, 9J/40$

在高温情况下 ($T_{eff} \rightarrow \infty$), 探测相干的灵敏度 $\partial_\theta L(\theta, \beta_{eff}) \rightarrow 0$, 这会导致零点的偏差非常大, 在这种情况下, 我们用平均结果去计算相干的零点 $t_n = (t_1 + t_9)/2$, 其中 t_1, t_2 分别是在小于标准偏差 η 时拟合所得相干的起始点、末尾点。

• 实验结果



探测自旋相干 $L(t)$ 对于演化时间 t 的敏感度 $\partial_\theta L(\theta, \beta_{eff})$, 其中 $\theta = \lambda t$ 。黑色虚线是李-杨零点在不同等效温度 β_{eff} 时的位置。蓝色虚线表示我们实验上所模拟的等效温度。



通过实验上李-杨零点所计算出Ising模型的自由能。红色三角形是不同等效温度的实验数据, 蓝色虚线是理论结果

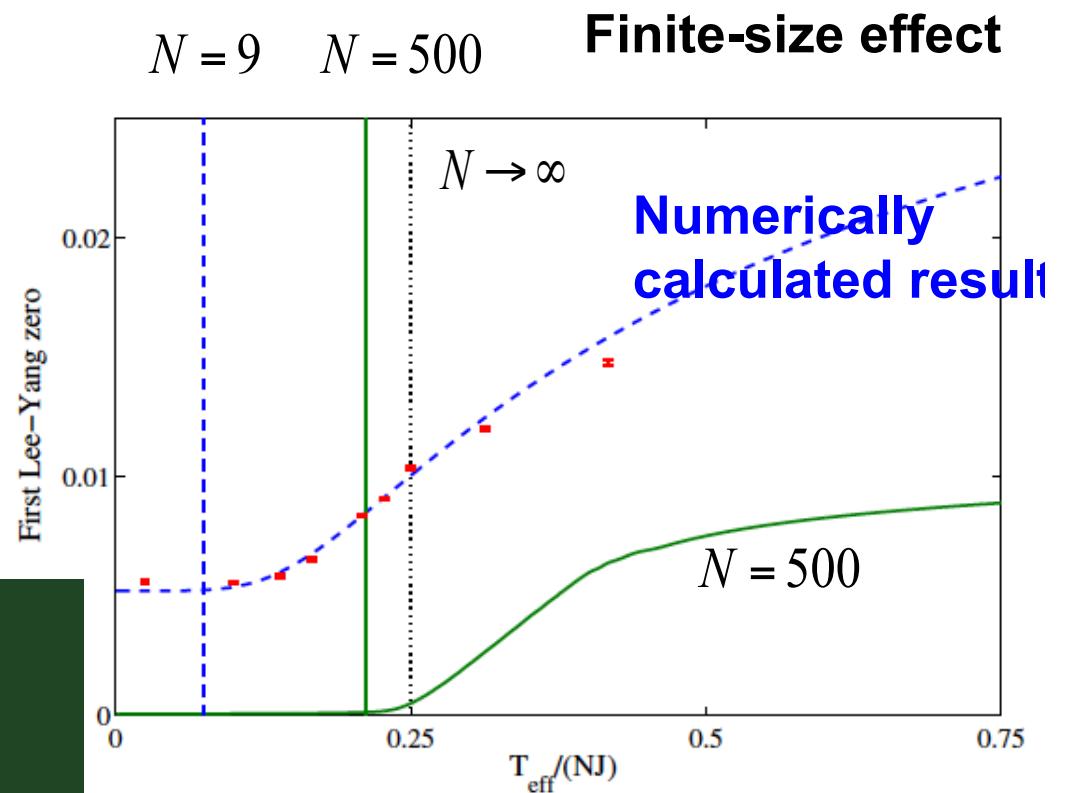
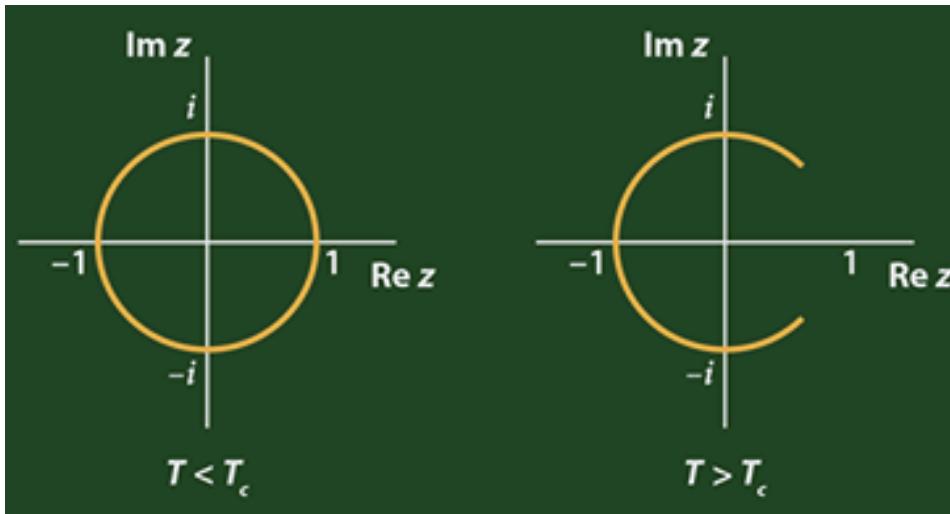
Phase transition

Phase transitions are intimately connected to the Lee-Yang zeros.

Critical temperature

$$N \rightarrow \infty \quad k_B T_C / J = 1$$

Evidences of onset of time-domain phase transitions (finite temperature)



Phys. Rev. Lett. 114, 010601 (2015)
Collaborate with Prof. R. B. Liu

该工作发表于 **Phy.Rev.Lett** 后，美国物理协会（APS）的物理栏目以“**Viewpoint**”形式对该研究成果做了“真实世界中的虚磁场（Imaginary Magnetic Fields in the Real World）”的专题介绍。



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Viewpoint

Imaginary Magnetic Fields in the Real World

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Imaginary magnetic fields predicted by the fundamental theory of phase transitions can be realized experimentally.

Subject Areas: **Statistical Physics**

A Viewpoint on:

Experimental Observation of Lee-Yang Zeros

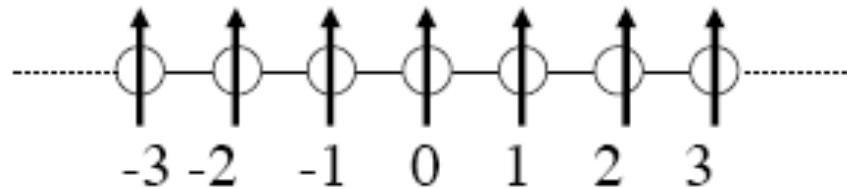
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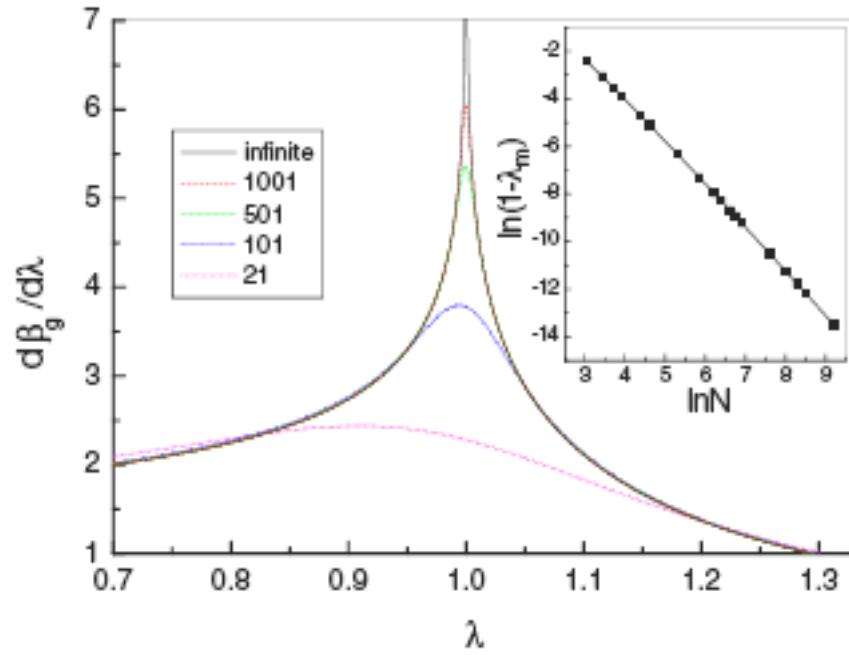
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Non-equilibrium systems?

XY spin chain

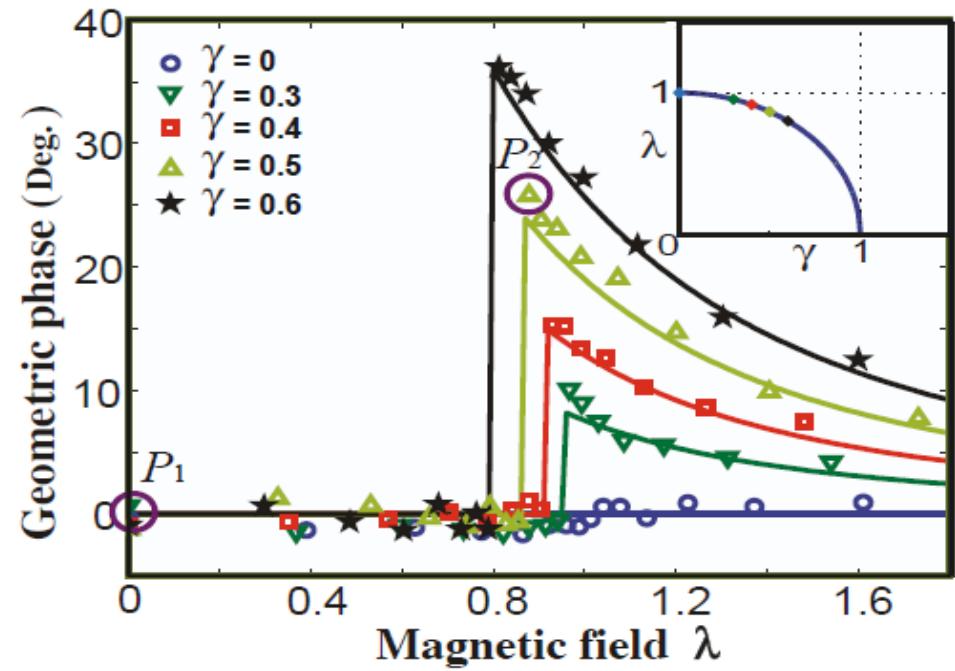


Theoretical



S.-L. Zhu, Phys. Rev. Lett. (2006)

Experimental



X. H. Peng, Phys. Rev. Lett. (2010)

Ground-state geometric phase and QPT

Non-equilibrium systems

Dynamical quantum Hall effect in the parameter space

- **Non-adiabatic response:**

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{M}_\mu &= -\langle \psi_0(t_f) | \partial_\mu \hat{\mathcal{H}} | \psi_0(t_f) \rangle \\ &= \text{const} + \mathcal{F}_{\mu\nu} v_\nu + \mathcal{O}(v^2).\end{aligned}$$

Conditions:

- the velocity v_ν is turned on smoothly
- the system is prepared initially in a state with a large gap
- there is a weak dephasing mechanism in the system and the time of experiment is longer than the dephasing time.

Berry curvature

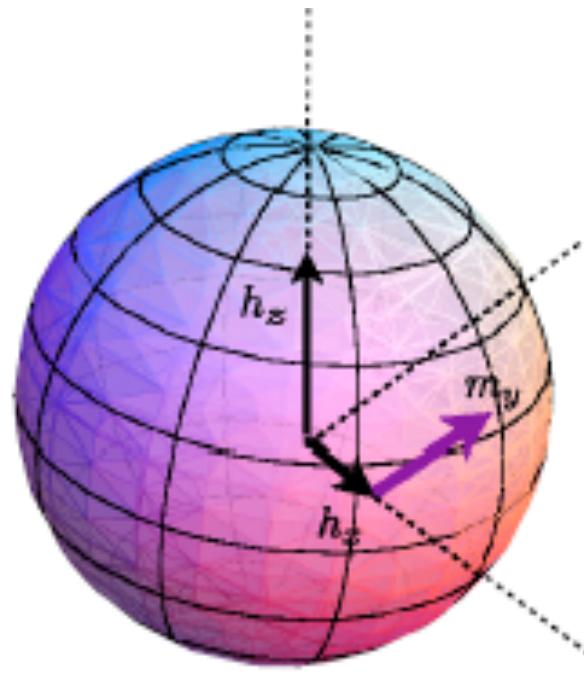
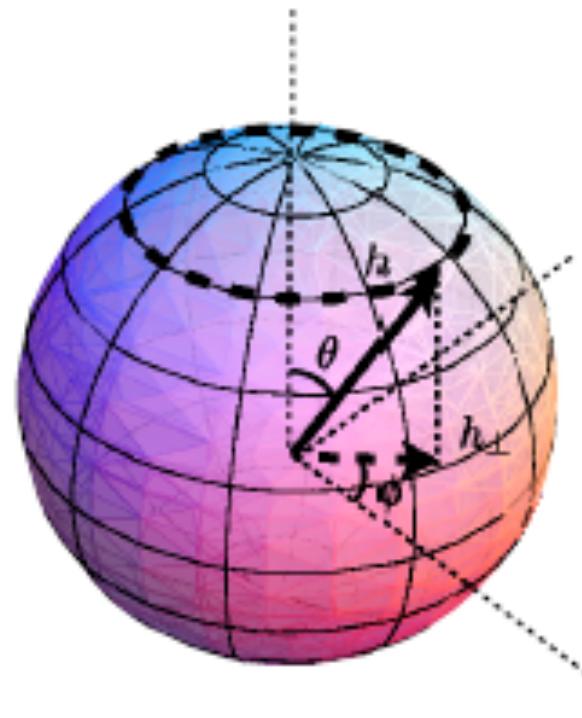
$$\mathcal{F}_{\mu\nu} = i \sum_{n \neq 0} \frac{\langle \psi_0 | \partial_\mu \hat{\mathcal{H}} | \psi_n \rangle \langle \psi_n | \partial_\nu \hat{\mathcal{H}} | \psi_0 \rangle - (\nu \leftrightarrow \mu)}{(\varepsilon_n - \varepsilon_0)^2}.$$

The degeneracies contribute non-zero terms

V. Gritsev and A. Polkovnikov. PNAS, 109:6457 (2012)

Dynamical QHE

Example: Single spin-1/2 particle



$$\gamma = \pi(1 - \cos \theta) = \pi \left(1 - \frac{h_z}{h}\right)$$

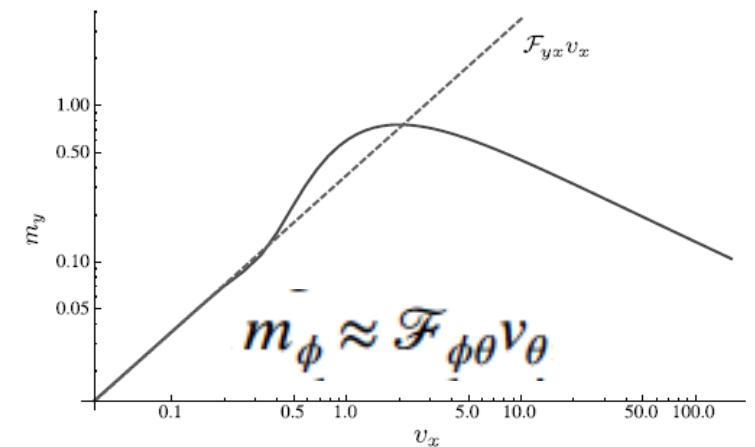
$$h_x(t) = h_x + v_x t$$

$$h_y(t) = 0$$

$$h_z(t) = 1$$

$$m_y = \langle \sigma_y \rangle$$

$$F_{yx} = h_z / 2h^3$$



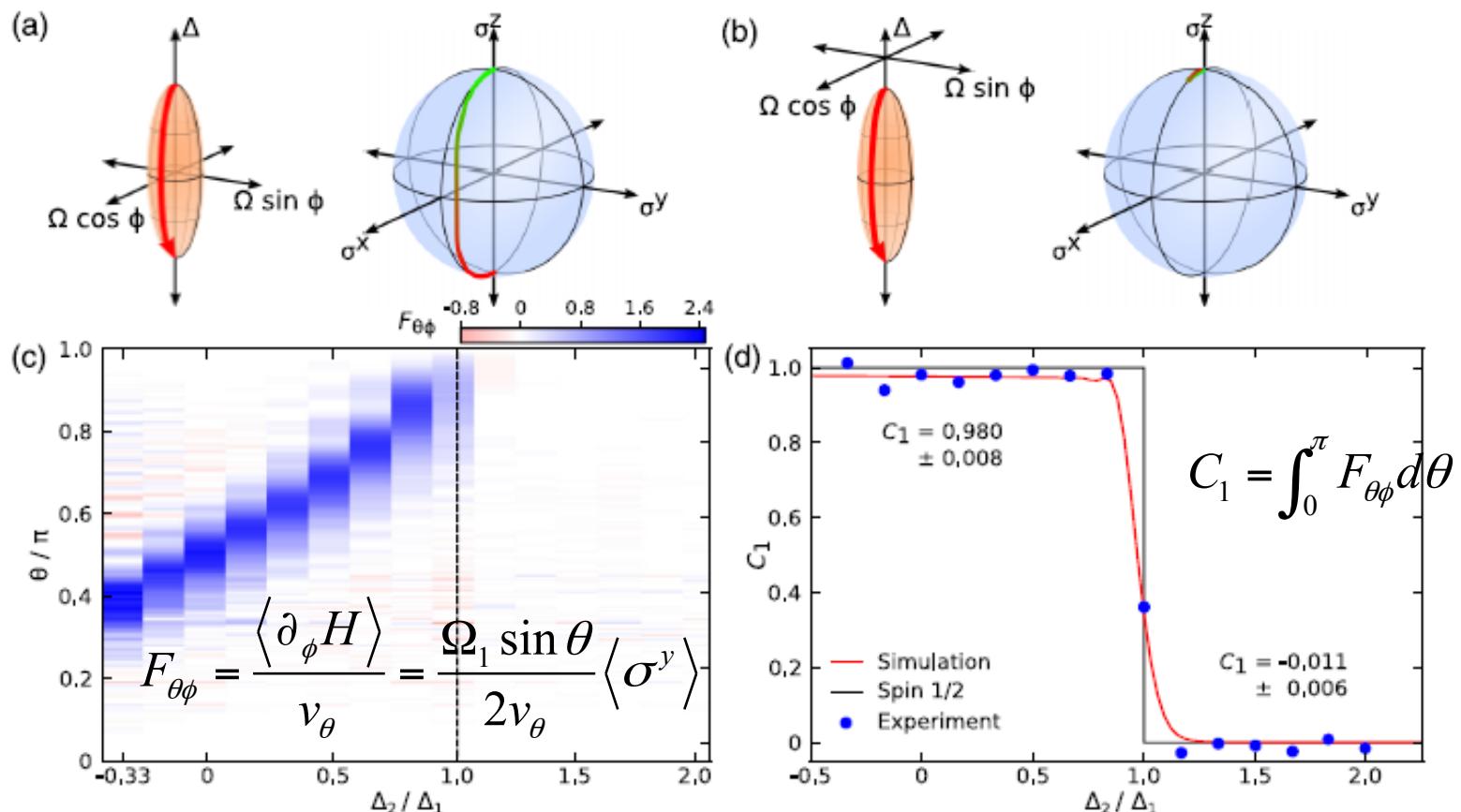
Previous experiments

- Exp. 1: an Artificial Spin-1/2 System PRL 113, 050402 (2014)

$$H/\hbar = \frac{1}{2} [\Delta \sigma_z + \Omega \sigma_x \cos \phi + \Omega \sigma_y \sin \phi]$$

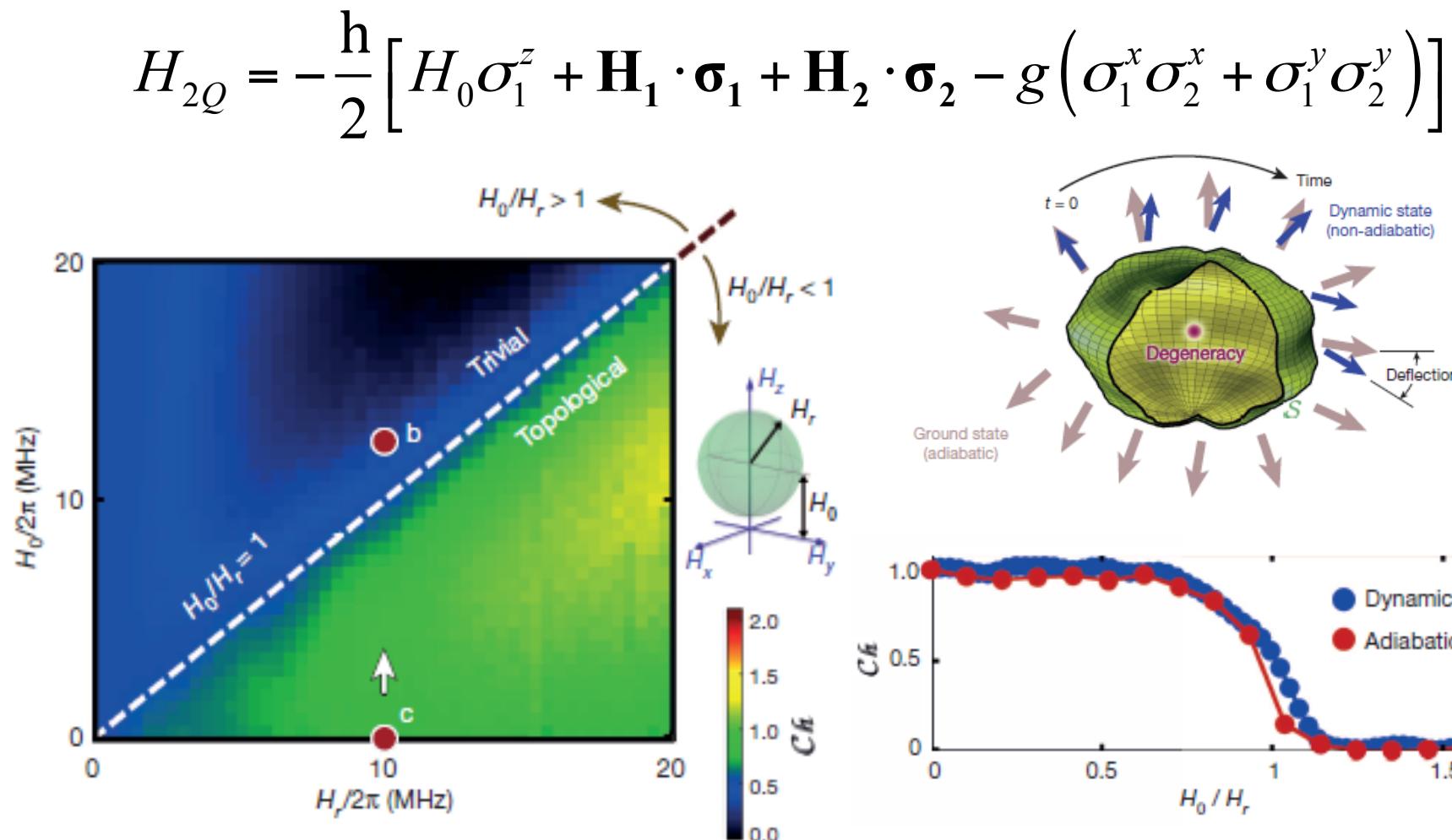
$$\Delta = \Delta_1 \cos \theta + \Delta_2$$

$$\Omega = \Omega_1 \sin \theta$$



Previous experiments

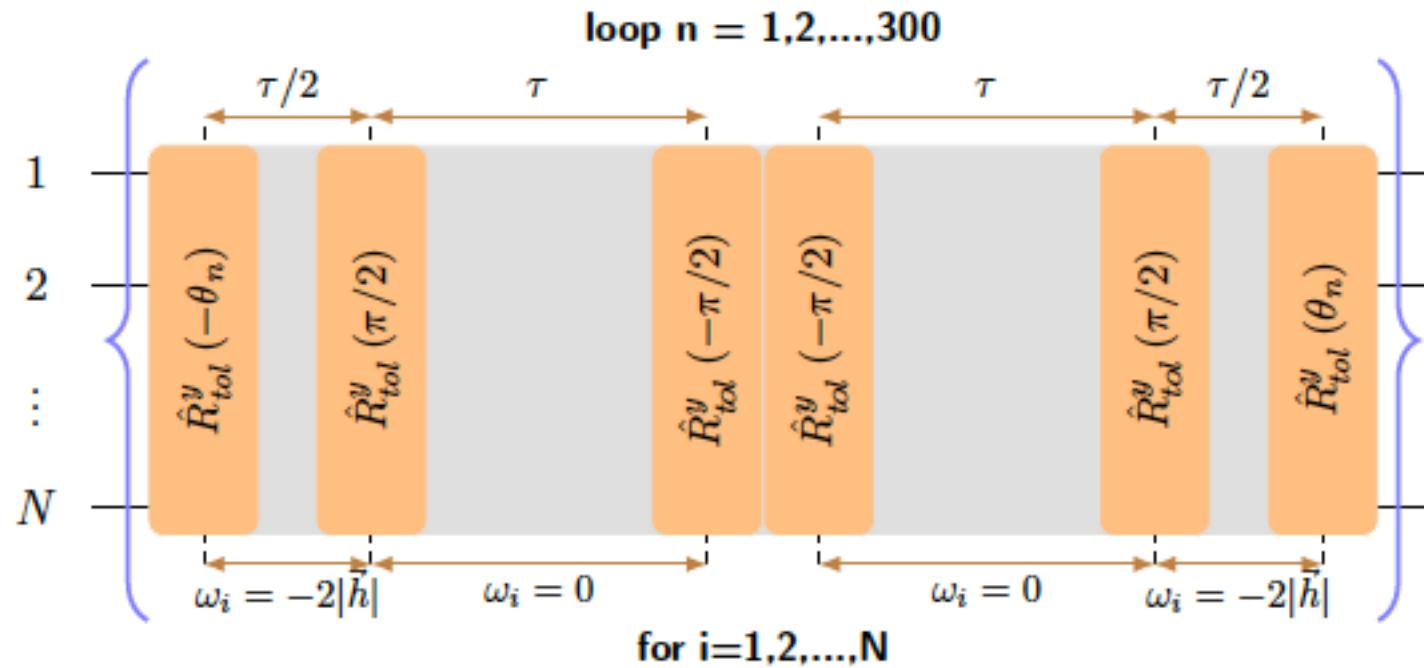
- Exp. 2: two-spin interacting quantum system



Nature. 515, 241 (2014).

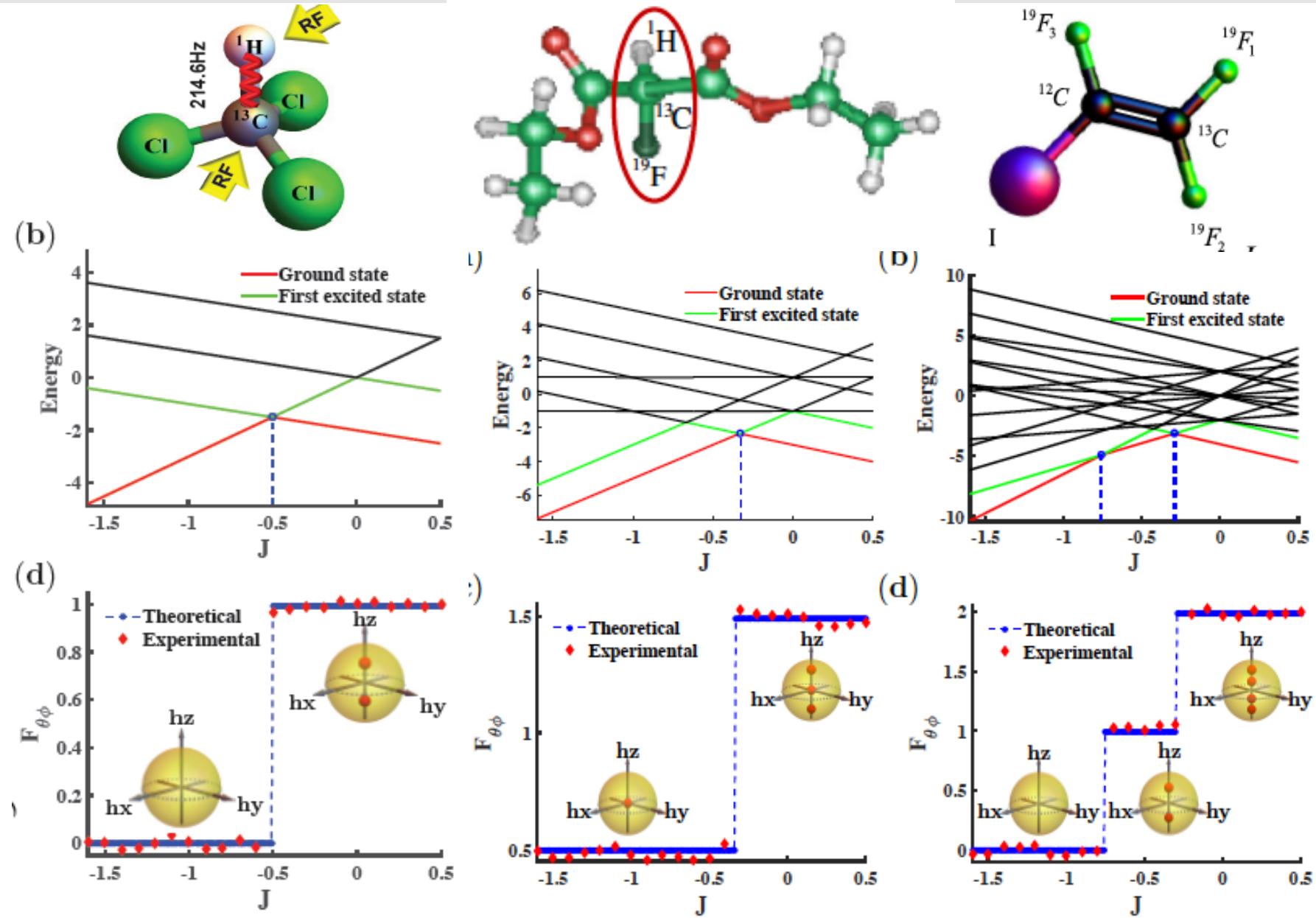
Dynamical quantum Hall effect

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{NMR}} = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\omega_i}{2} \hat{\sigma}_i^z + \sum_{i < j,=1}^N \frac{\pi J_{ij}}{2} \hat{\sigma}_i^z \hat{\sigma}_j^z$$

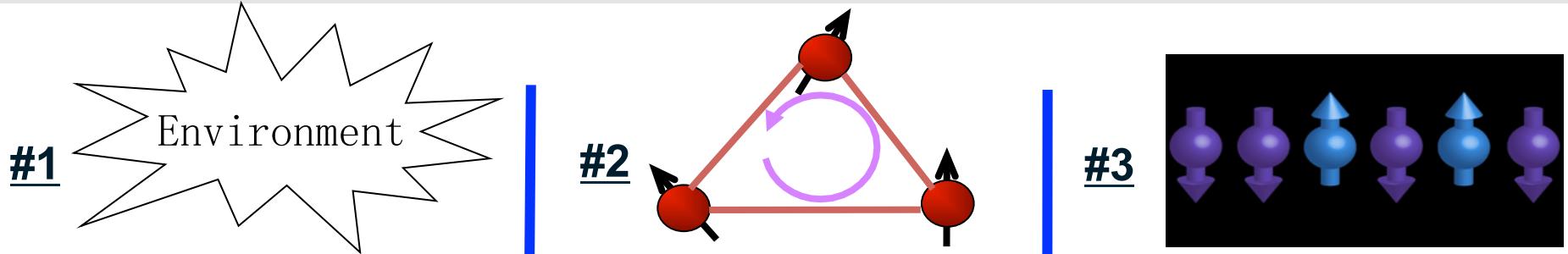


$$\hat{\mathcal{H}} = - \sum_{j=1}^N \vec{h} \cdot \vec{\sigma} - J \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \vec{\sigma}_j \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{j+1}$$

Experimental results



summary: novel physics



Decoherence ≠ error

→ how to mitigate it
how to exploit it
(quantum control)

→ how to investigate
(mesoscopic)
decoherence

scaling quantum simulations

→ proof of principle on
spins

bridging the gap

(proof of principle studies and “useful” QS)

- outperforming classical computation
- deeper understanding of quantum dynamics
- new physical phenomena

investigate the impact on:

- Solid state physics (magnets, ferroelectrics, quantum Hall, high T_c)
(quantum phase transitions, spin frustration, spin glasses,...)
- quantum information processing / quantum metrology
- ...

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