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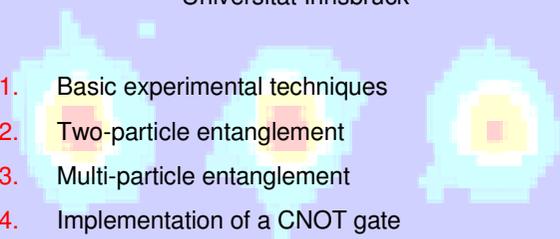
## Quantum information processing with trapped ions

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2. Two-particle entanglement
3. Multi-particle entanglement
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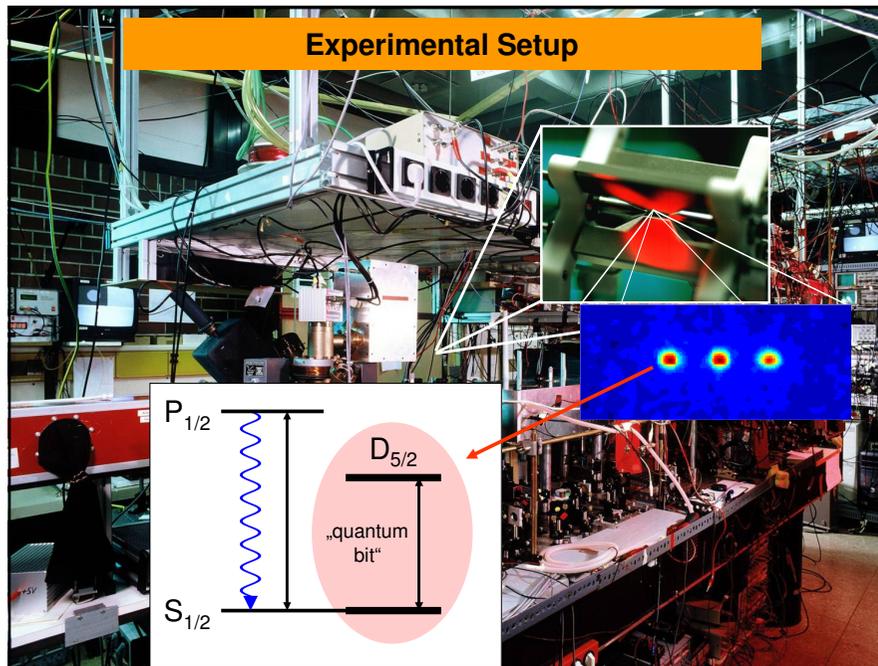
**Lectures 16 - 17**



### The requirements for quantum information processing

D. P. DiVincenzo, Quant. Inf. Comp. 1 (Special), 1 (2001)

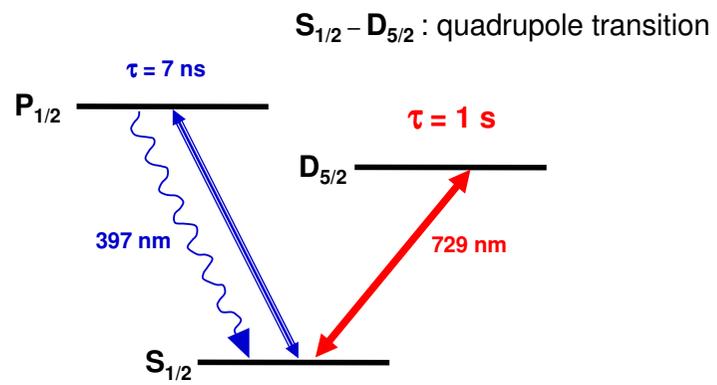
- I. Scalable physical system, well characterized qubits
- II. Ability to initialize the state of the qubits
- III. Long relevant coherence times, much longer than gate operation time
- IV. “Universal” set of quantum gates
- V. Qubit-specific measurement capability



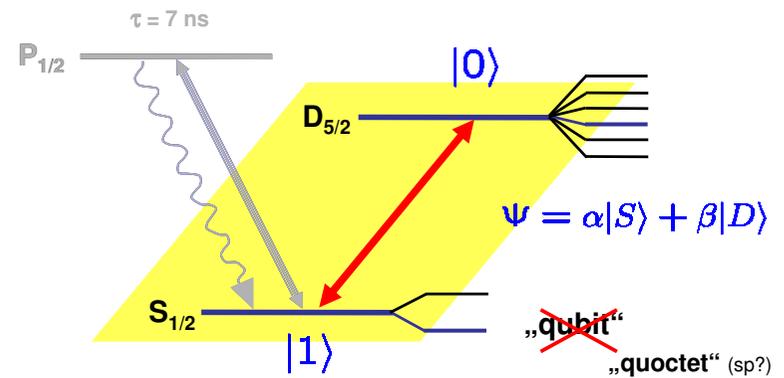
### Important energy levels

- The important energy levels are shown on the next slides; a fast transition is used to detect ion fluorescence and for Doppler cooling, while the narrow  $D_{5/2}$  quadrupole transition has a lifetime of 1 second and is used for coherent manipulation and represents our quantum bit. Of course a specific set of Zeeman states is used to actually implement our qubit. The presence of other sublevels give us additional possibilities for doing coherent operations.

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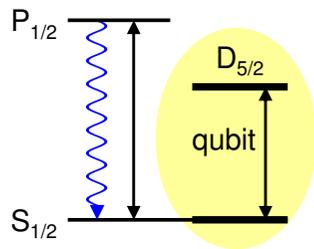


## Qubits with trapped ions

Encoding of quantum information requires **long-lived atomic states**:

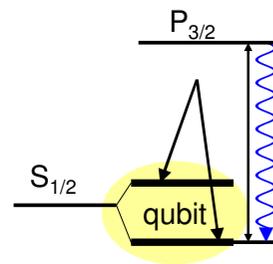
- optical transitions

$\text{Ca}^+$ ,  $\text{Sr}^+$ ,  $\text{Ba}^+$ ,  $\text{Ra}^+$ ,  $\text{Yb}^+$ ,  $\text{Hg}^+$  etc.



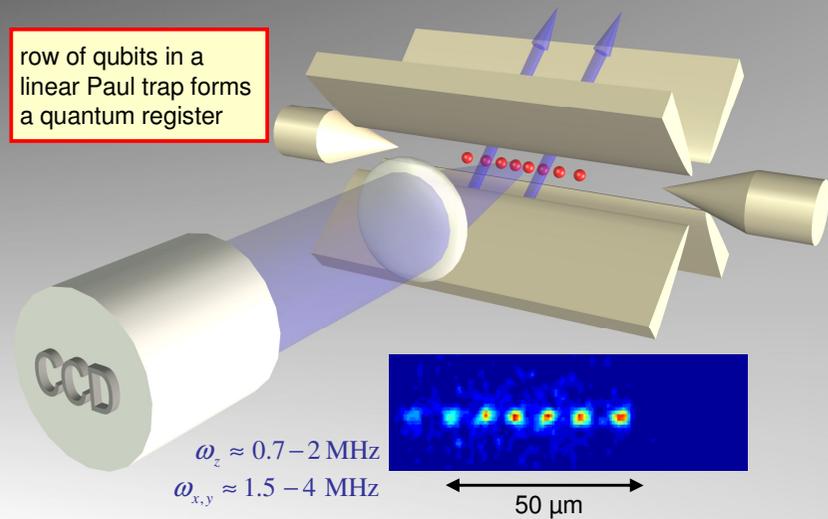
- microwave transitions

$^9\text{Be}^+$ ,  $^{25}\text{Mg}^+$ ,  $^{43}\text{Ca}^+$ ,  $^{87}\text{Sr}^+$ ,  
 $^{137}\text{Ba}^+$ ,  $^{111}\text{Cd}^+$ ,  $^{171}\text{Yb}^+$

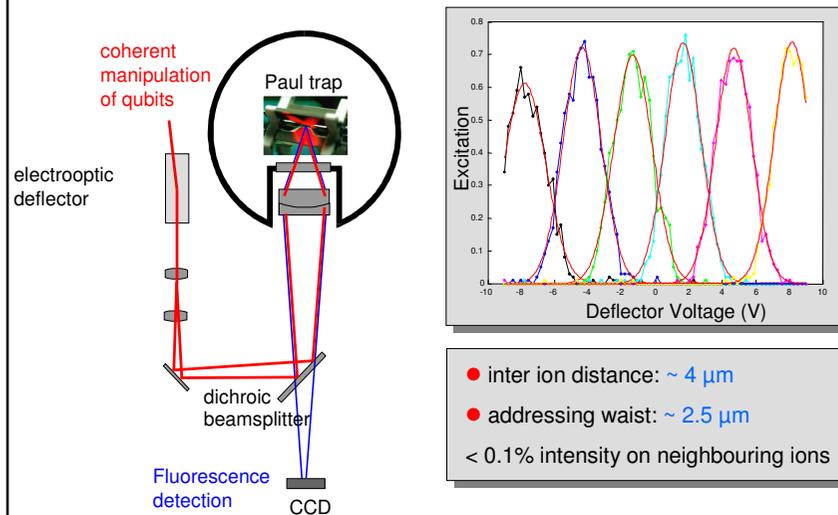


## String of $\text{Ca}^+$ ions in linear Paul trap

row of qubits in a  
linear Paul trap forms  
a quantum register



## Addressing of individual ions



## Ion addressing

The ions can be addressed individually on the qubit transition with an EO deflector which can quickly move the focus of the 729 light from one ion to another, using the same optical path as the fluorescence detection via the CCD camera.

How well the addressing works is shown on the previous slide: The graph shows the excitation of the individual ions as the deflector is scanned across the crystal.

### External degree of freedom: ion motion

Notes for next slides:

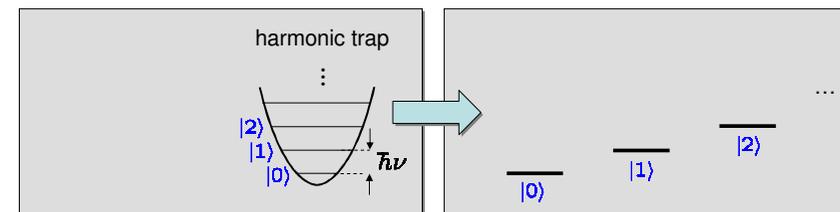
Now let's have a look at the qubit transition in the presence of the motional degrees of freedom. If we focus on just one motional mode, we just get a ladder of harmonic oscillator levels.

The joint (motion + electronic energy level) system shows a double ladder structure. With the narrow laser we can selectively excite the carrier transition, where the motional state remains unchanged...

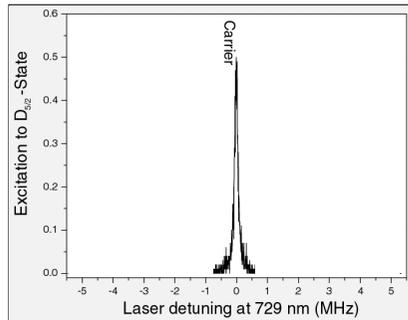
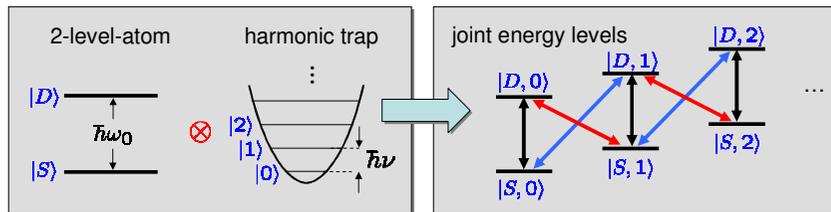
Or use the blue sideband and red sideband transitions, where we can change the motional state.

We can walk down the double ladder by exciting the red sideband and returning the ion dissipatively to the ground state. With this we can prepare the ions in the motional ground state with high probability, thereby initializing our quantum register.

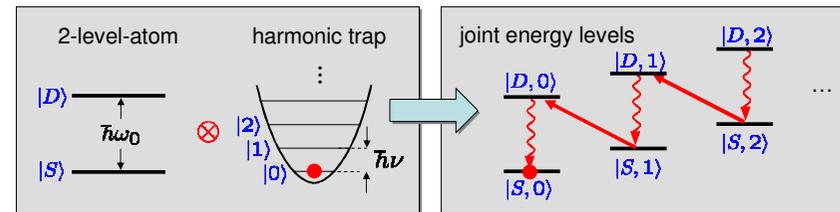
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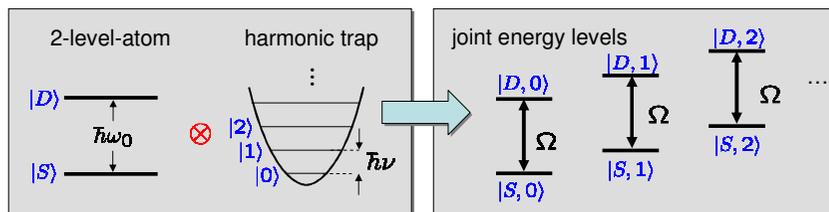


Laser cooling to the motional ground state:

Cooling time: 5-10 ms

> 99% in motional ground state

## Coherent manipulation



Interaction with a resonant laser beam :

$$H_I = \hbar\Omega (|D\rangle\langle S|e^{i\phi} + |S\rangle\langle D|e^{-i\phi}) \quad \begin{array}{l} \Omega : \text{Rabi frequency} \\ \phi : \text{phase of laser field} \end{array}$$

Laser beam switched on for duration  $\tau$  :

$$U = e^{-i\frac{H}{\hbar}\tau} \quad \begin{array}{l} \theta : \text{rotation angle} \quad \theta = 2\Omega\tau \end{array}$$

If we resonantly shine in light pulse at the carrier transition, the system evolves for a time tau with this Hamiltonian, where the coupling strength Omega depends on the sqroot of the intensity, and phi is the phase of the laser field with respect to the atomic polarization.

## Coherent manipulation

Let's now begin to look at the coherent state manipulation. If we resonantly shine the light pulse at the carrier transition, the system evolves for a time  $\tau$  with this Hamiltonian, where the coupling strength  $\Omega$  depends on the square root of the intensity, and  $\phi$  is the phase of the laser field with respect to the atomic polarization.

The effect of such a pulse is a rotation of the state vector on the Bloch sphere, where the poles represent the two states and the equator represents superposition states with different relative phases. The roation axis is determined by the laser frequency and phase. The important message is here that we can position the state vector anywhere on the Bloch sphere, which is a way of saying that we can create arbitrary superposition states.

The same game works for sideband pulses. With a  $\pi/2$  pulse, for example, we entangle the internal and the motional state! Since the motional state is shared by all ions, we can use the motional state as a kind of bus to mediate entanglement between different qubits in the ion chain.

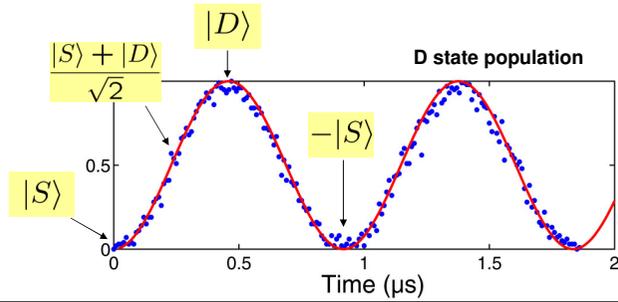
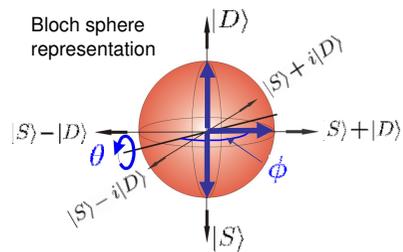
### Coherent excitation: Rabi oscillations

„Carrier“ pulses:

$$|S\rangle \longleftrightarrow |D\rangle$$

$$\theta/2 = \Omega\tau$$

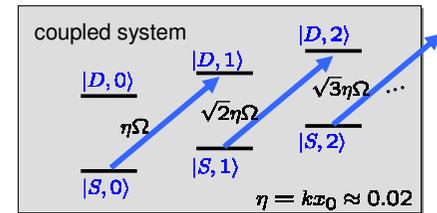
$$\tau 2\pi?$$



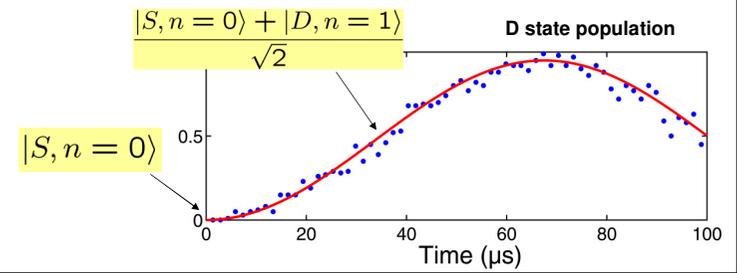
### Coherent excitation on the sideband

„Blue sideband“ pulses:

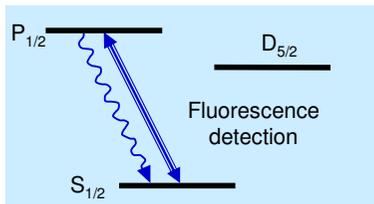
$$|S\rangle|n\rangle \longleftrightarrow |D\rangle|n+1\rangle$$



$\theta = \pi/2$  : Entanglement between internal and motional state !

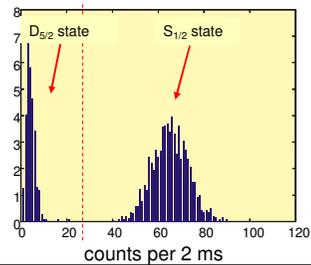


### Experimental procedure



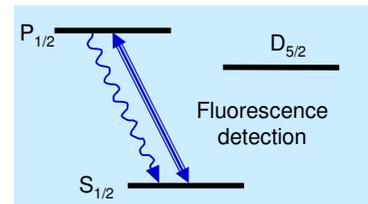
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2. Quantum state manipulation on  $S_{1/2} - D_{5/2}$  qubit transition
3. Quantum state measurement by fluorescence detection

One ion : Fluorescence histogram



50 experiments / s  
Repeat experiments  
100-200 times

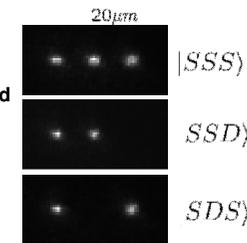
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Multiple ions:

Spatially resolved  
detection with  
CCD camera:



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$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|S\rangle|D\rangle + |D\rangle|S\rangle)$$

### Creation of Bell state

$|DD1\rangle$   $\vdots$   
 $|DD0\rangle$   $\text{---}$

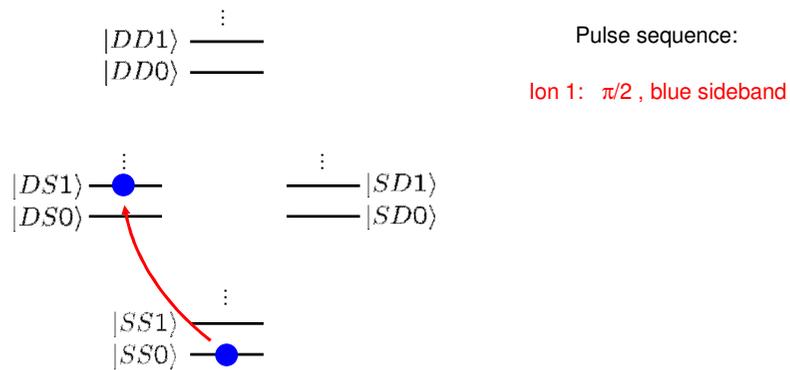
Pulse sequence:

$|DS1\rangle$   $\vdots$   $\vdots$   $|SD1\rangle$   
 $|DS0\rangle$   $\text{---}$   $\text{---}$   $|SD0\rangle$

$|SS1\rangle$   $\vdots$   
 $|SS0\rangle$   $\bullet$   $\text{---}$

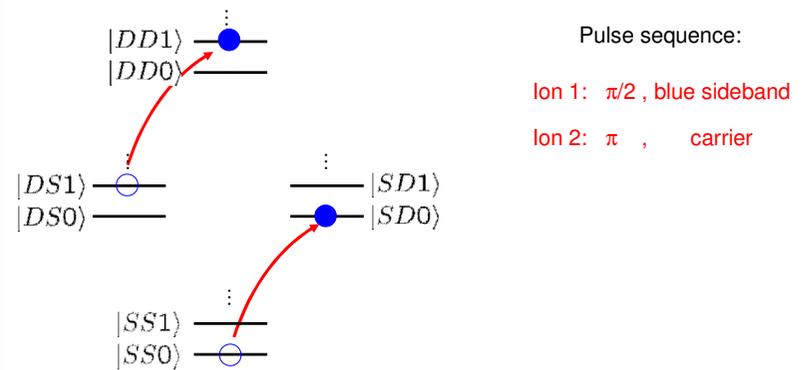
$|SS0\rangle$

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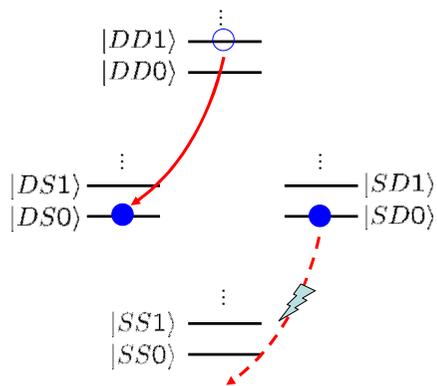
$$|SS0\rangle + |DS1\rangle$$

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$$|SD0\rangle + |DD1\rangle$$

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Pulse sequence:

Ion 1:  $\pi/2$ , blue sideband

Ion 2:  $\pi$ , carrier

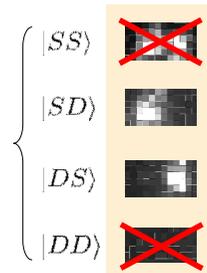
Ion 2:  $\pi$ , blue sideband

$$(|SD\rangle + |DS\rangle)|0\rangle$$

### Analysis of Bell states

$$|SD\rangle + |DS\rangle$$

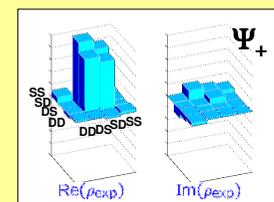
Fluorescence detection with CCD camera:



Coherent superposition or incoherent mixture ?

What is the relative phase of the superposition ?

→ Measurement of the density matrix:



## Reconstruction of a density matrix

Representation of  $\rho$  as a sum of orthogonal observables  $A_i$  :

$$\rho = \sum_i \lambda_i A_i \text{ with } Tr(A_i A_j) = \delta_{ij}$$

$\rho$  is completely determined by the expectation values  $\langle A_j \rangle$  :

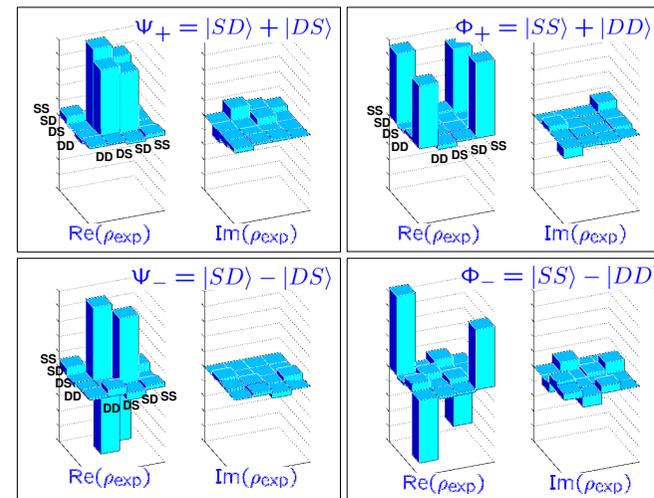
$$\langle A_j \rangle = Tr(\rho A_j) = \sum_i \lambda_i Tr(A_i A_j) = \lambda_j$$

Finally: maximum likelihood estimation (Hradil '97, Banaszek '99)

For a two-ion system :  $A_i \in \{\sigma_i^{(1)} \otimes \sigma_j^{(2)}, \sigma_i \in \{I, \sigma_x, \sigma_y, \sigma_z\}\}$

→ Joint measurements of all spin components  $\sigma_i^{(1)} \otimes \sigma_j^{(2)}$

## Preparation and tomography of Bell states



Fidelity:

$$F = 0.91$$

Entanglement of formation:

$$E(\rho_{exp}) = 0.79$$

Violation of Bell inequality:

$$S(\rho_{exp}) = 2.52(6) > 2$$

C. Roos et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 92, 220402 (2004)

## Different decoherence properties

sensitive to:

laser frequency    magnetic field    exc. state lifetime

$ S\rangle +  D\rangle$	⊗	⊗	⊗
$ SD\rangle +  DS\rangle$	○	○	⊗
$ SS'\rangle +  S'S\rangle$	○	○	○
$ SS'\rangle +  DD'\rangle$	⊗	○	⊗

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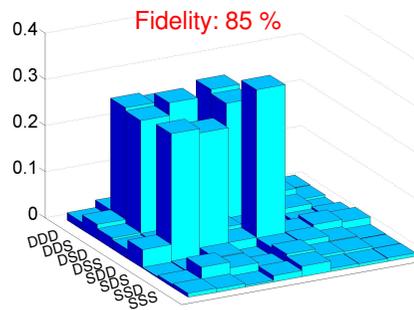
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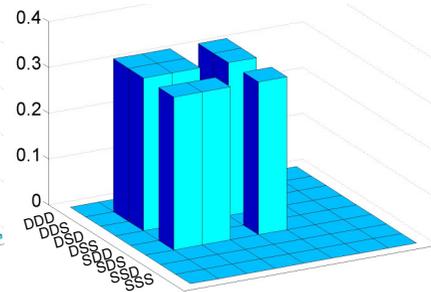
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(|SDD\rangle + |DSD\rangle + |DDS\rangle)$$

### Density matrix of W – state

$$|\Psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (|SDD\rangle + |DSD\rangle + |DDS\rangle)$$



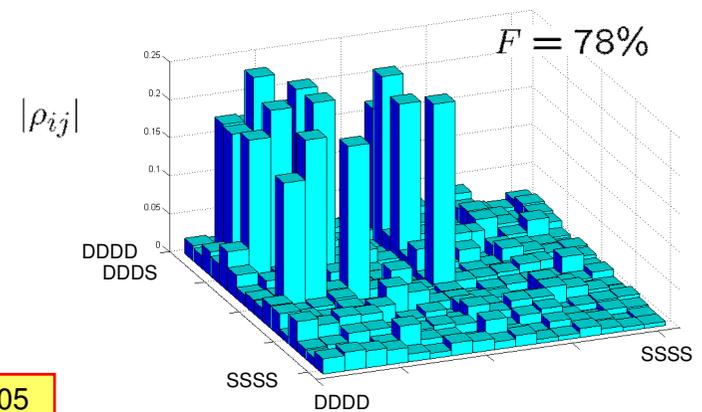
experimental result



theoretical expectation

### Four-ion W-states

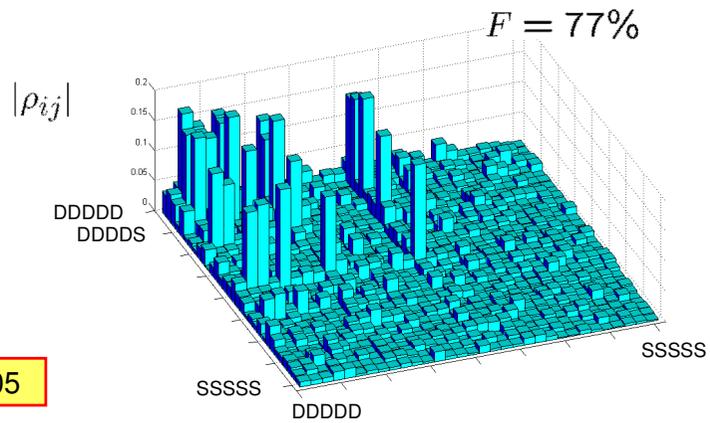
$$|\Psi_4\rangle = \frac{1}{2} (|SDDD\rangle + |DSDD\rangle + |DDSD\rangle + |DDDS\rangle)$$



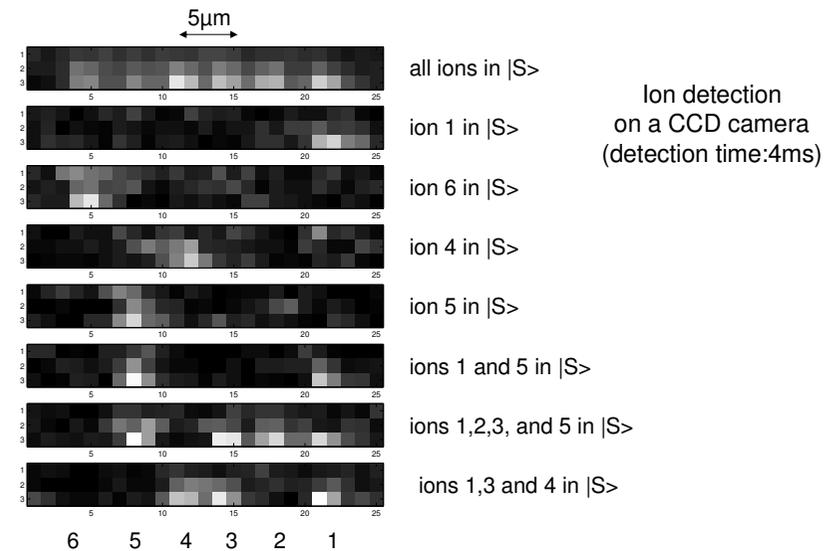
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### Five-ion W-states

$$\Psi_5 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}(|DDDDS\rangle + |DDSDS\rangle + |DSDSD\rangle + |SDSDS\rangle + |SDDSD\rangle)$$



### Detection of six individual ions



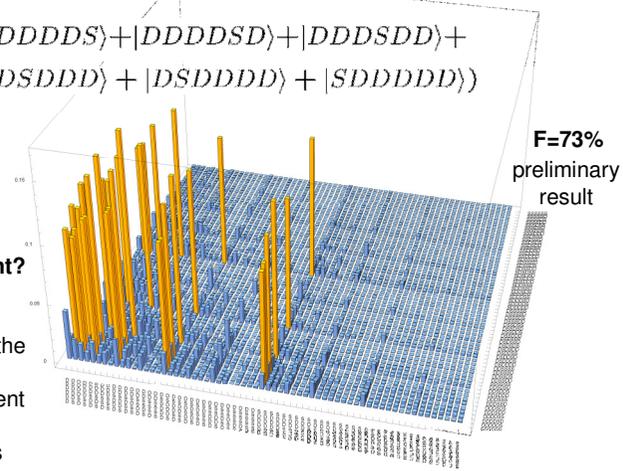
### Six-ion W-state

$$\Psi_6 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(|DDDDDS\rangle + |DDDDSD\rangle + |DDDSDD\rangle + |DDSDDD\rangle + |DSDDDD\rangle + |SDDDDD\rangle)$$

$|\rho_{ij}|$

Is there 6-particle entanglement present?

- 6-particle W-state can be distilled from the state (O. Gühne)
- 6-particle entanglement present, unresolved issues with error bars



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729 settings, measurement time >30 min.

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## Cirac-Zoller two-ion controlled-NOT operation

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### Quantum Computations with Cold Trapped Ions

J. I. Cirac and P. Zoller\*

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(Received 30 November 1994)*

A quantum computer can be implemented with cold ions confined in a linear trap and interacting with laser beams. Quantum gates involving any pair, triplet, or subset of ions can be realized by coupling the ions through the collective quantized motion. In this system decoherence is negligible, and the measurement (readout of the quantum register) can be carried out with a high efficiency.

PACS numbers: 89.80.+h, 03.65.Bz, 12.20.Fv, 32.80.Pj

...allows the realization of a **universal** quantum computer !

$$|D\rangle|D\rangle \rightarrow |D\rangle|D\rangle$$

$$|D\rangle|S\rangle \rightarrow |D\rangle|S\rangle$$

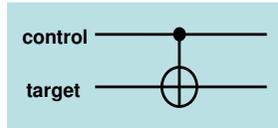
$$|S\rangle|D\rangle \rightarrow |D\rangle|S\rangle$$

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control target

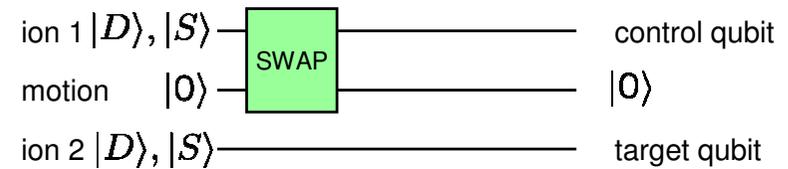
other gate proposals include:

- Cirac & Zoller
- Mølmer & Sørensen, Milburn
- Jonathan & Plenio & Knight
- Geometric phases
- Leibfried & Wineland



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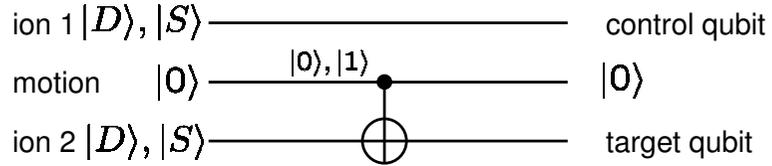
$|\epsilon_1\rangle |\epsilon_2\rangle$



First we swap the quantum states of the control qubit and the motional qubit...

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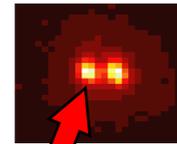
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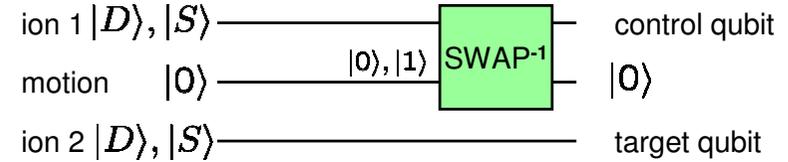
Next we perform a CNOT gate between the motional qubit and ion 2 and ...

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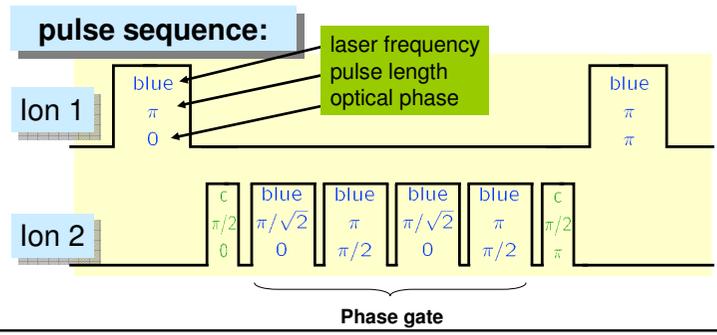
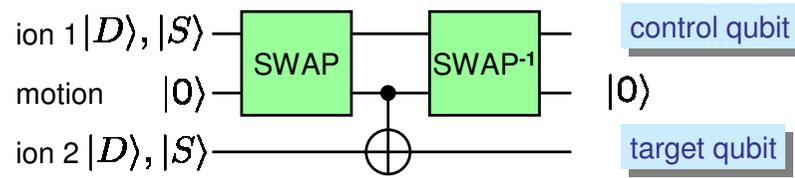


Finally we reverse the SWAP operation, we have used the motional qubit as a quantum messenger between the two ions.

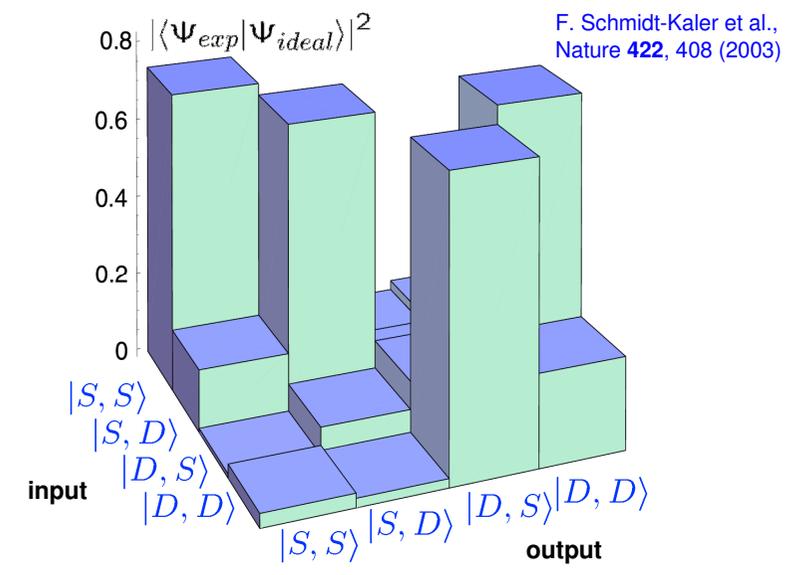


F. Schmidt-Kaler et al., Nature 422, 408 (2003)

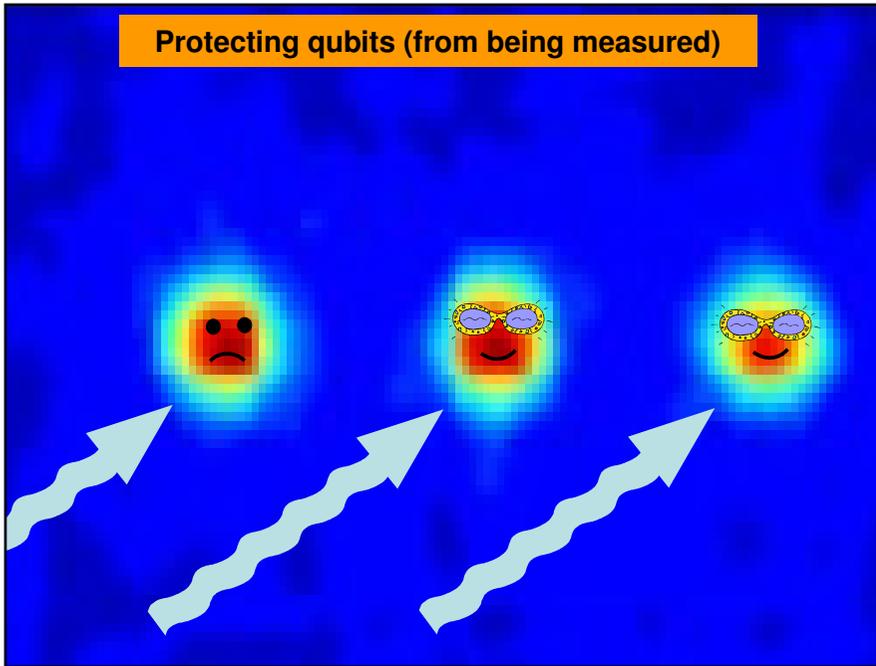
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### Experimental fidelity of Cirac-Zoller CNOT operation

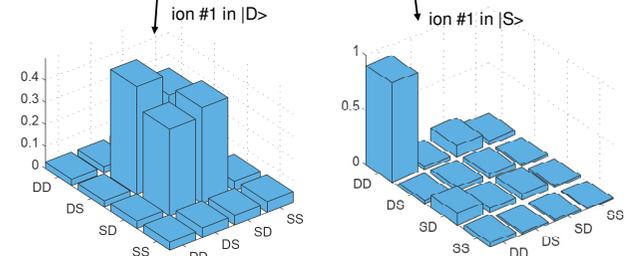
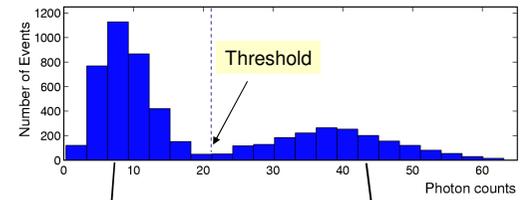


### Protecting qubits (from being measured)

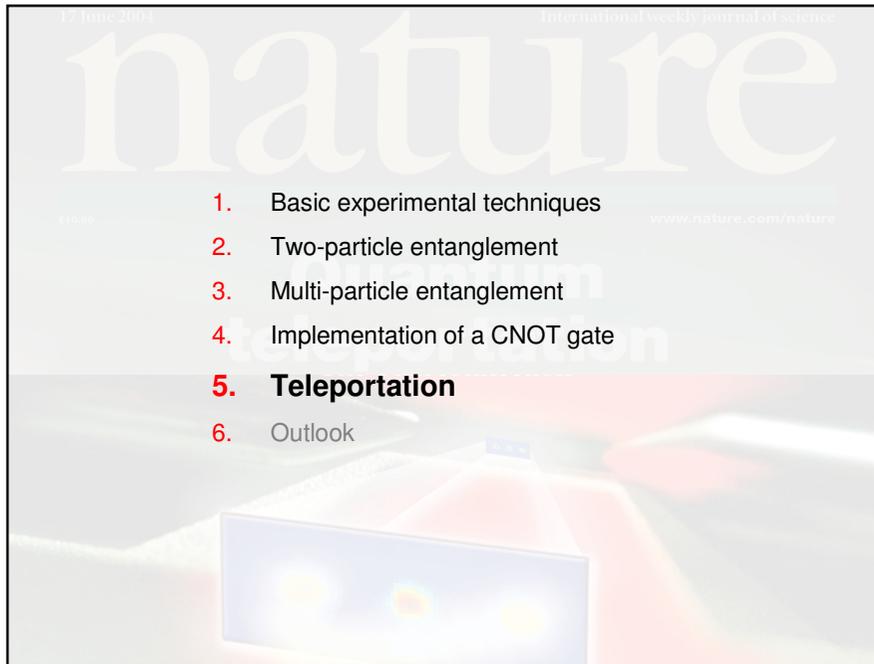


### Selective read-out of an atom in a W-state

$$|\Psi\rangle_W = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (|DD\underline{S}\rangle + |D\underline{S}D\rangle + |S\underline{D}D\rangle)$$



Tomography **after** the measurement result is available!



**Quantum state teleportation**

**Phys. Rev. Lett. 70, 1895 (1993)**      VOLUME 70      29 MARCH 1993      NUMBER 13

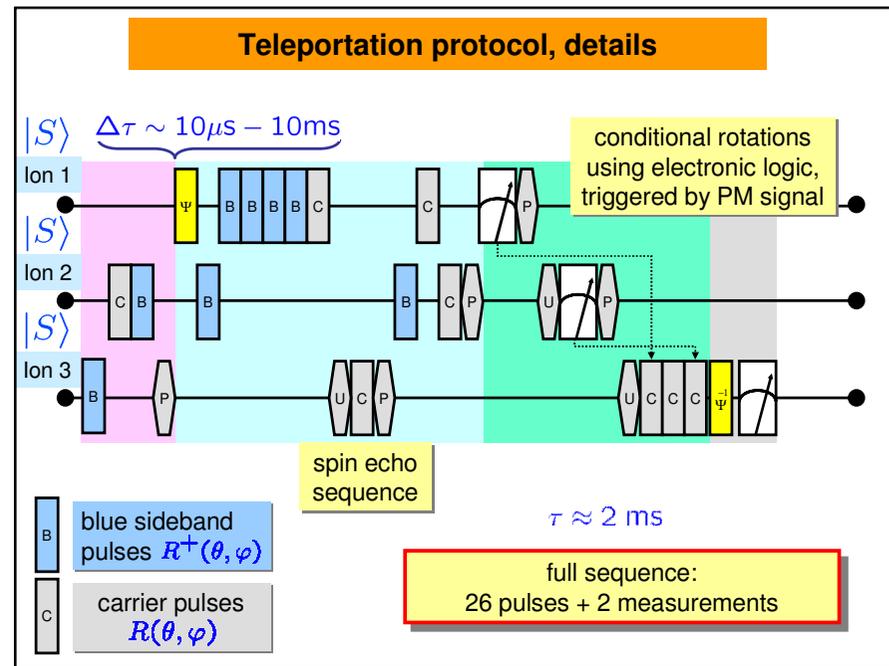
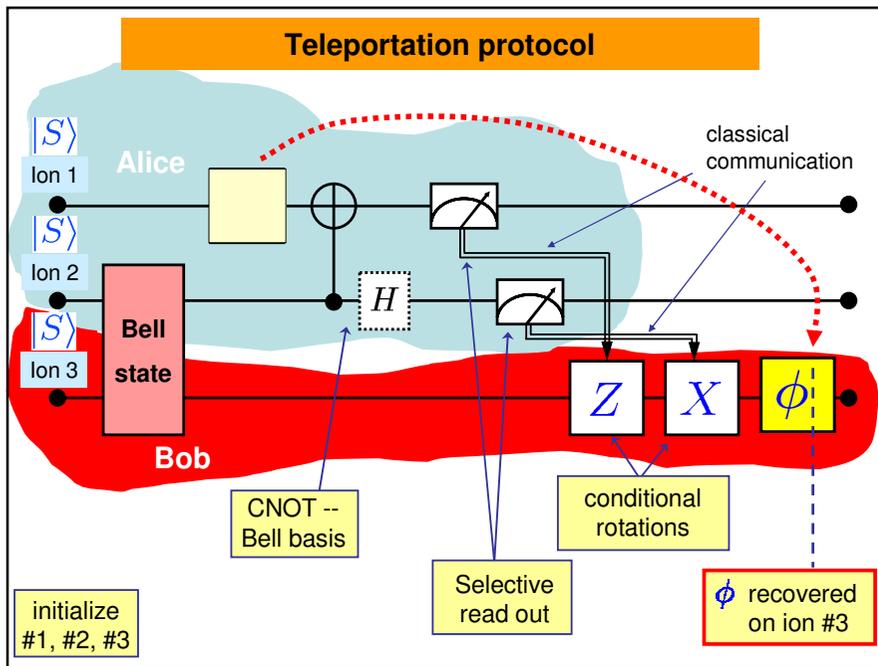
**Teleporting an Unknown Quantum State via Dual Classical and Einstein-Podolsky-Rosen Channels**

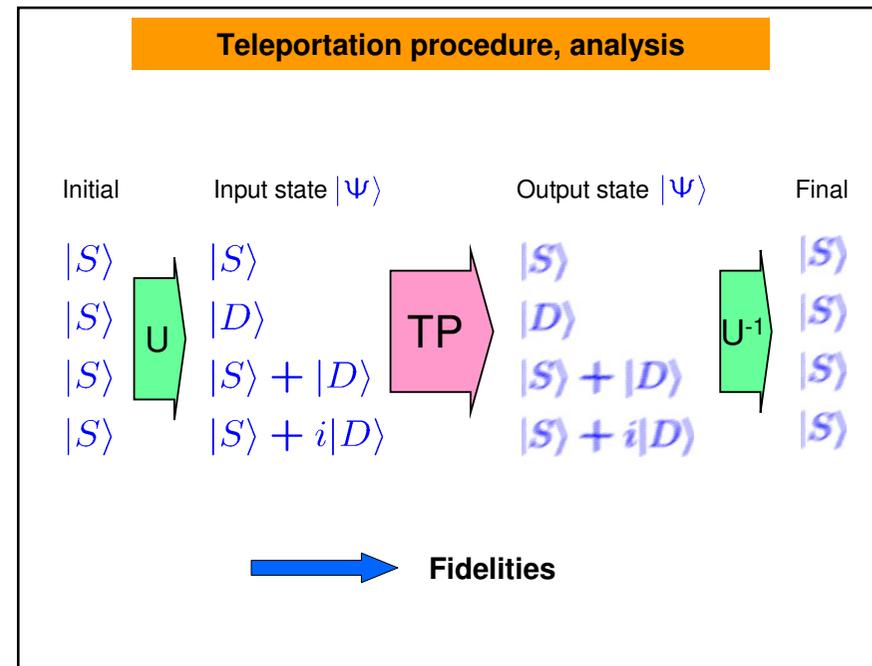
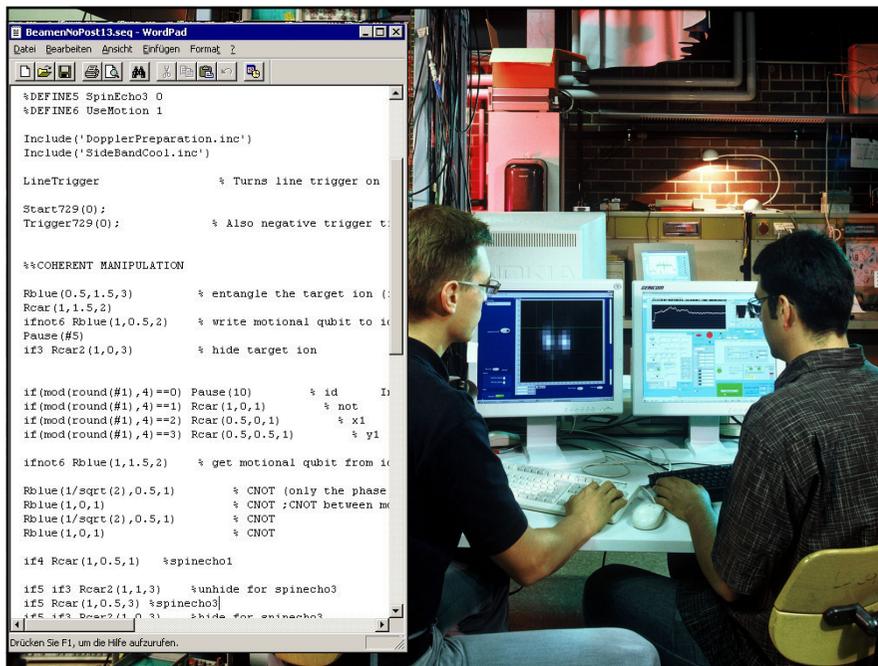
Charles H. Bennett,<sup>(1)</sup> Gilles Brassard,<sup>(2)</sup> Claude Crépeau,<sup>(2),(3)</sup>  
Richard Jozsa,<sup>(2)</sup> Asher Peres,<sup>(4)</sup> and William K. Wootters<sup>(5)</sup>

Is it possible to transfer an unknown quantum state  $|\phi\rangle = \alpha|D\rangle + \beta|S\rangle$  from „Alice“ to „Bob“ by classical communication ?

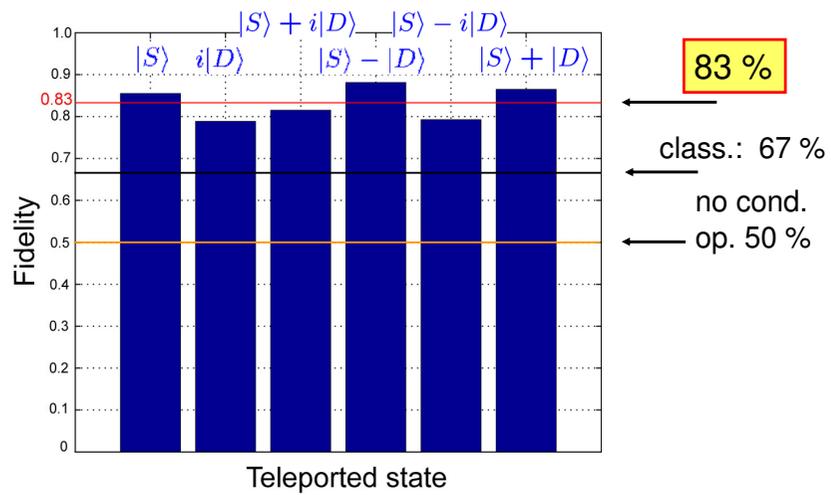
Yes, if Alice and Bob share a pair of entangled particles !

The diagram illustrates the teleportation process. An unknown quantum state  $|\phi\rangle$  (represented by a wavy line) enters Alice's station (A). Alice also has one half of an EPR pair (represented by a box labeled "EPR pair"). A dashed blue line indicates the EPR pair's path to Alice. Alice performs a joint measurement on her two particles. The result of this measurement is sent to Bob's station (B) via "classical communication" (a solid line labeled "Two bits"). Bob then uses this information to reconstruct the original state  $|\phi\rangle$  at his location. A dashed red line shows the other half of the EPR pair traveling to Bob.





### Quantum teleportation with atoms: results

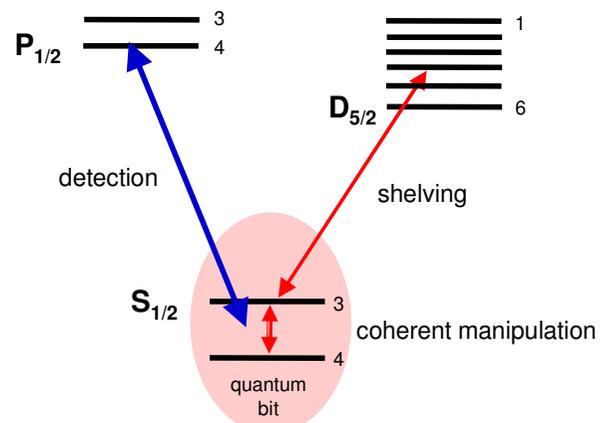


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2. Two-particle entanglement
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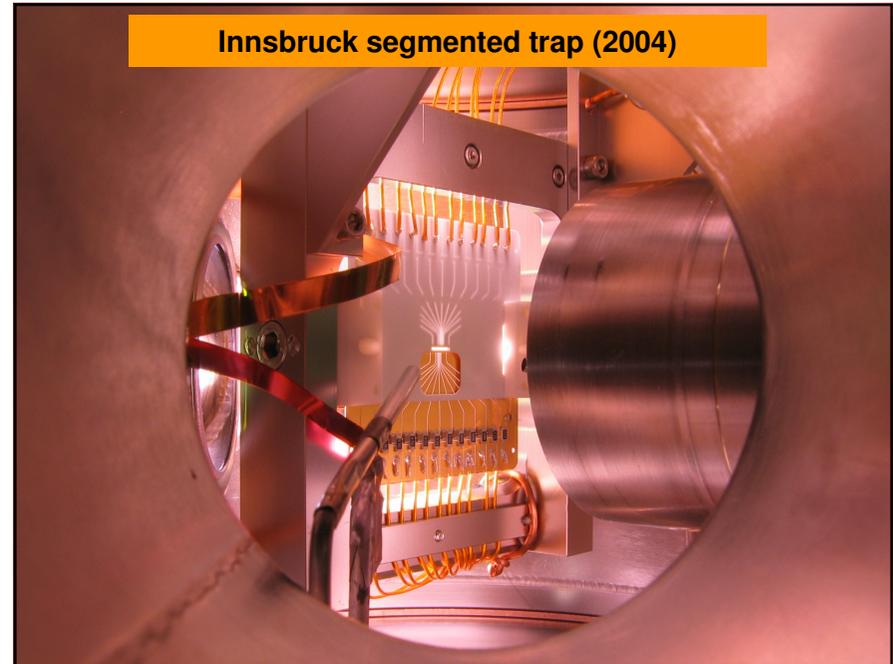
#### 6. Outlook

- ♦ optimization of Cirac-Zoller gate  
achieve 3 - 5 CNOT gate operations
- ♦ error correction protocols with three and five qubits
- ♦ qubit manipulation in DFS
- ♦ implementation with  $^{43}\text{Ca}^+$
- ♦ test of segmented traps

### $^{43}\text{Ca}^+$ project

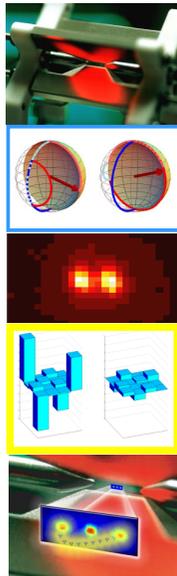


### Innsbruck segmented trap (2004)

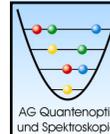


## Summary

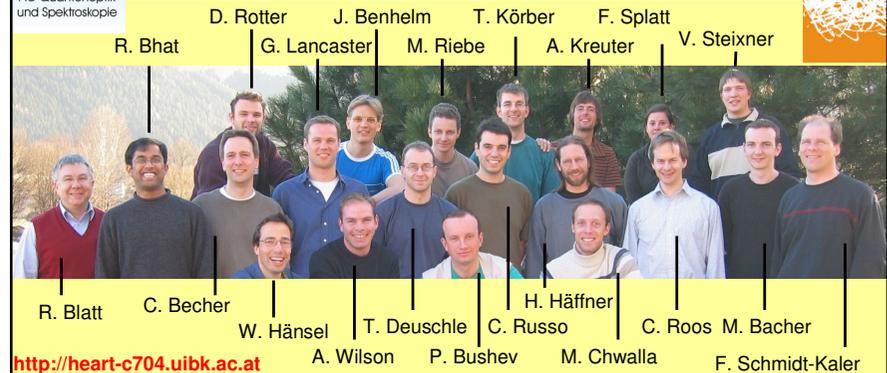
- ◆ Basic experimental techniques
- ◆ Bell, W and GHZ states – up to 6 ions
- ◆ State and process tomography
- ◆ C-not gate
- ◆ Deterministic teleportation with atoms
- ◆ Future: Ca43-qubit, segmented traps



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