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# Quantum Information and Neutral Atoms and Hybrids

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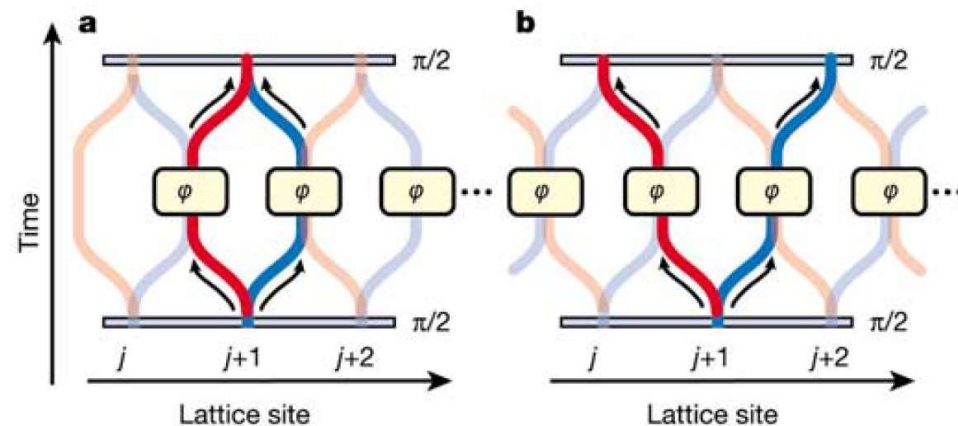
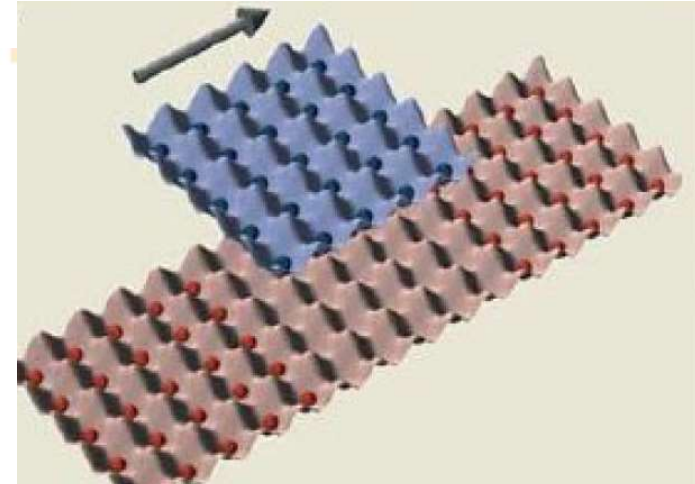
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- Collisional Phase Gate
- Rydberg Gate

## Collisional Phase Gate

Entanglement is generated by

- coherently splitting the atomic wavefunction
- let neighbouring atoms collide by shifting the two state dependent lattices.



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• Long range dipole-dipole interaction; **orders of magnitude larger than contact interaction in ultracold gases (up to GHz at micrometer distances)!**

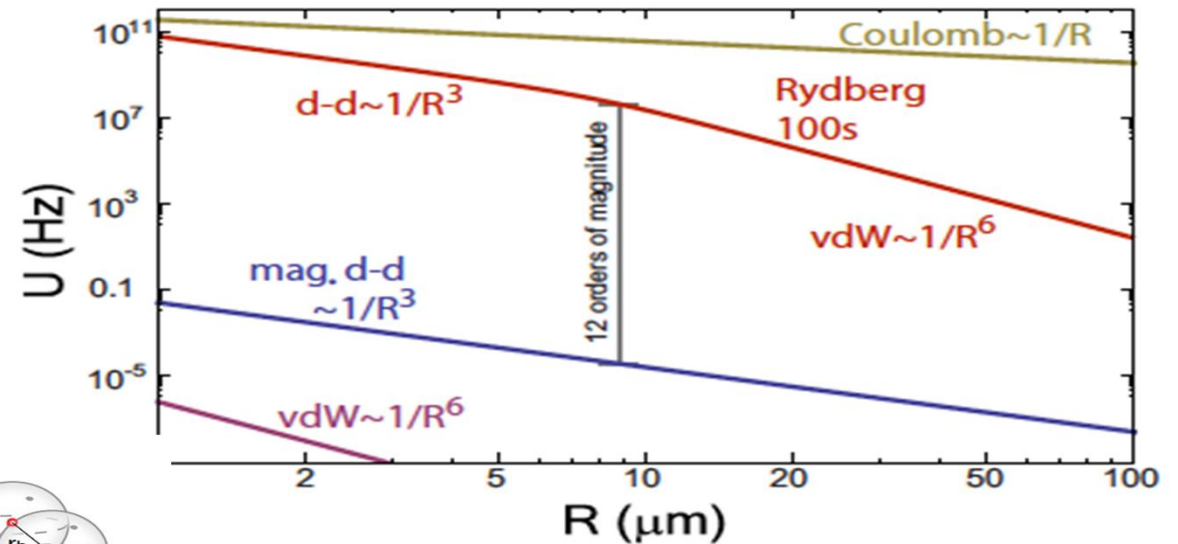
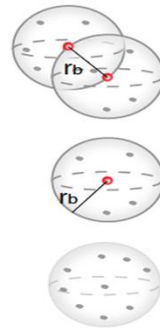
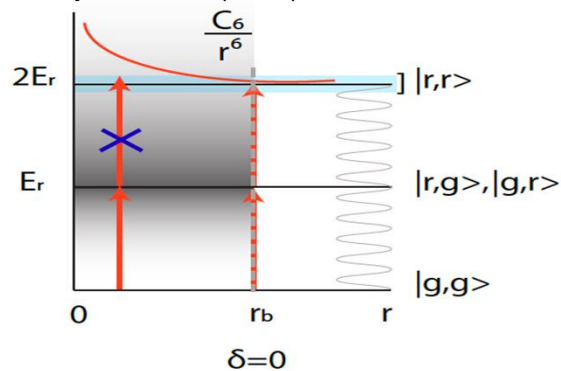
- Dipole-dipole interactions

- $C_3/r^3 \sim n^4$

- Van-der-Waals interactions

- $C_6/r^6 \sim n^{11}$

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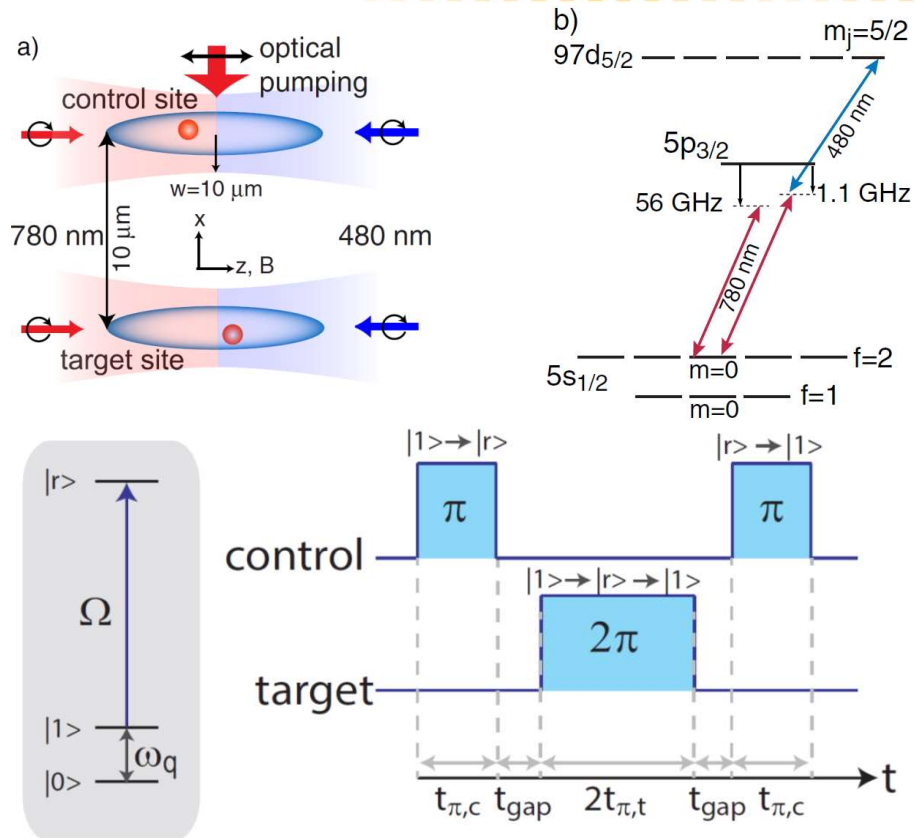
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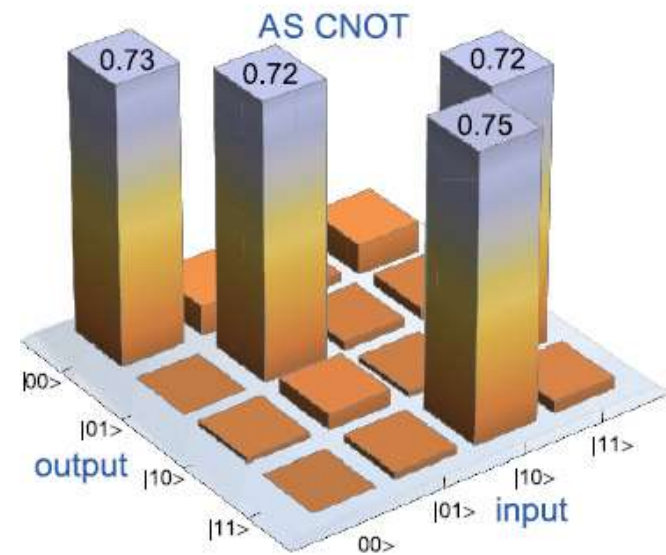
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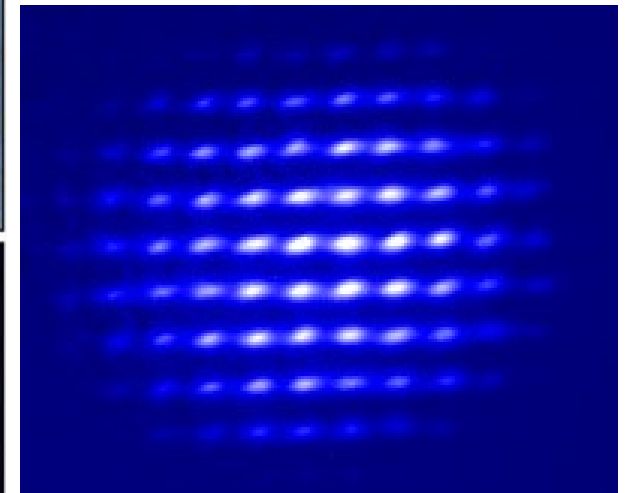
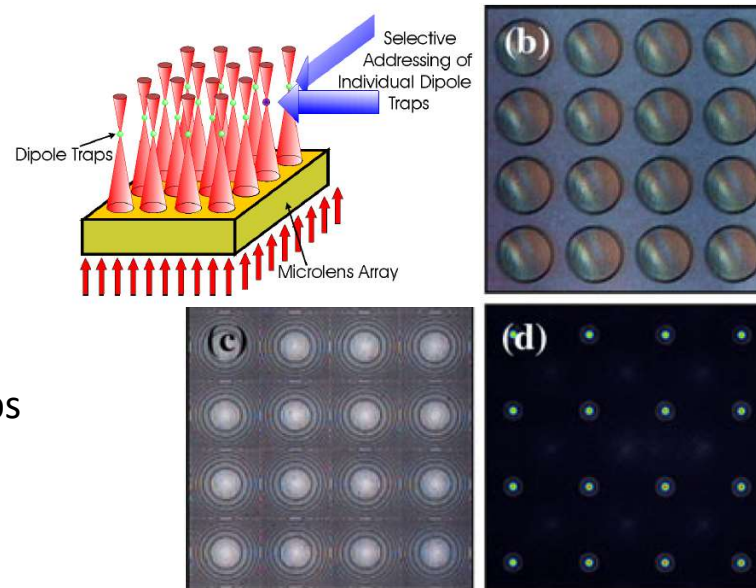
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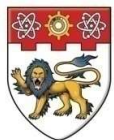
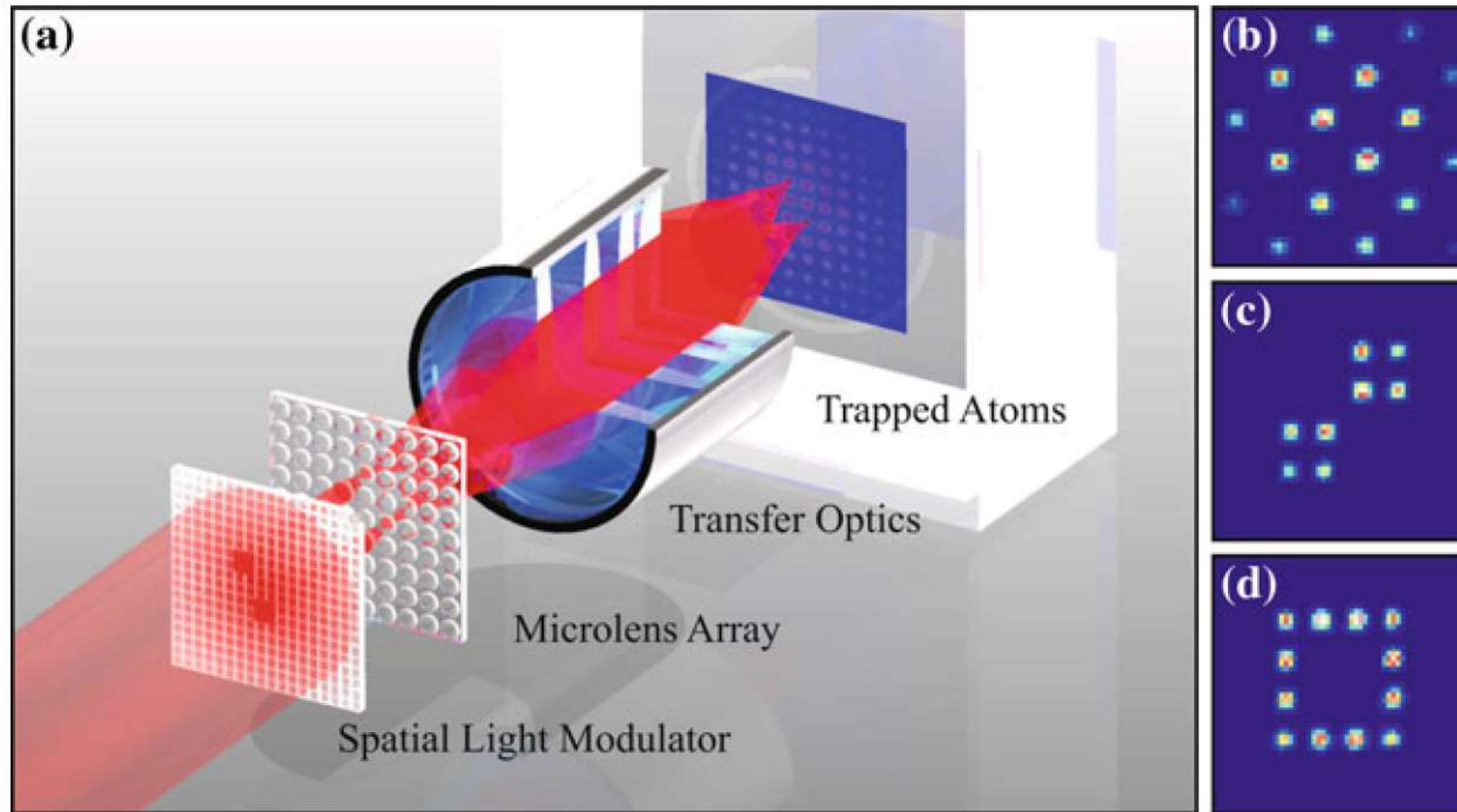


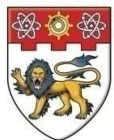
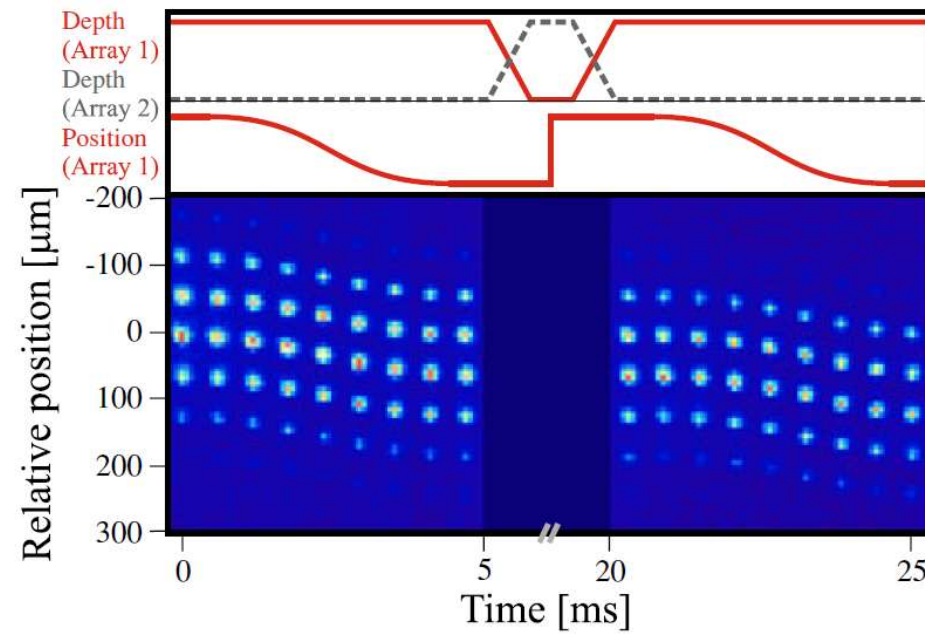
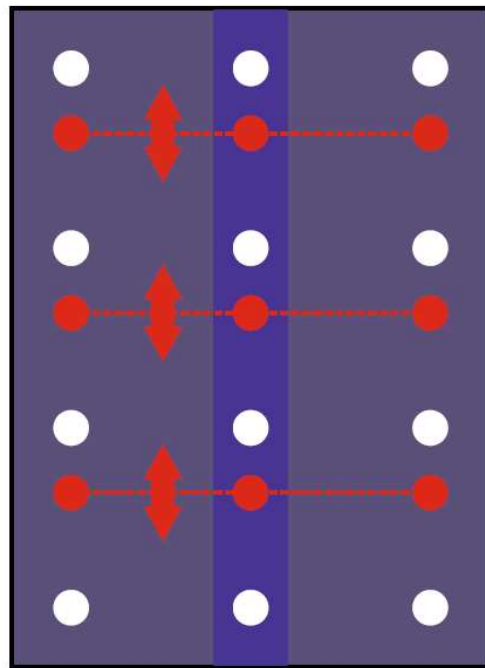
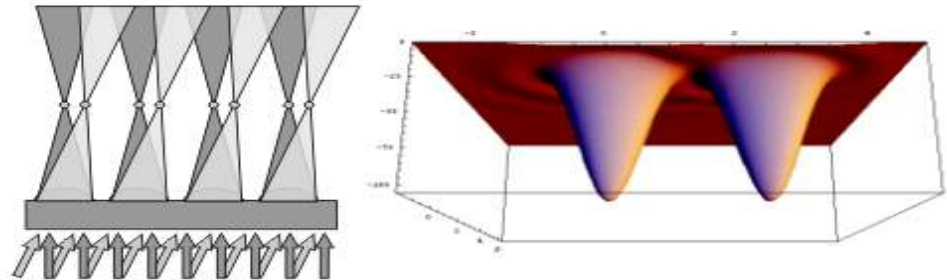
## Dipole Trap Array

- System based on Microlenses
- Focal plane imaged onto atoms
- Square Lattice of optical dipole traps
- Side selective addressability
- Simple initialization

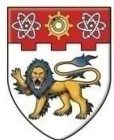
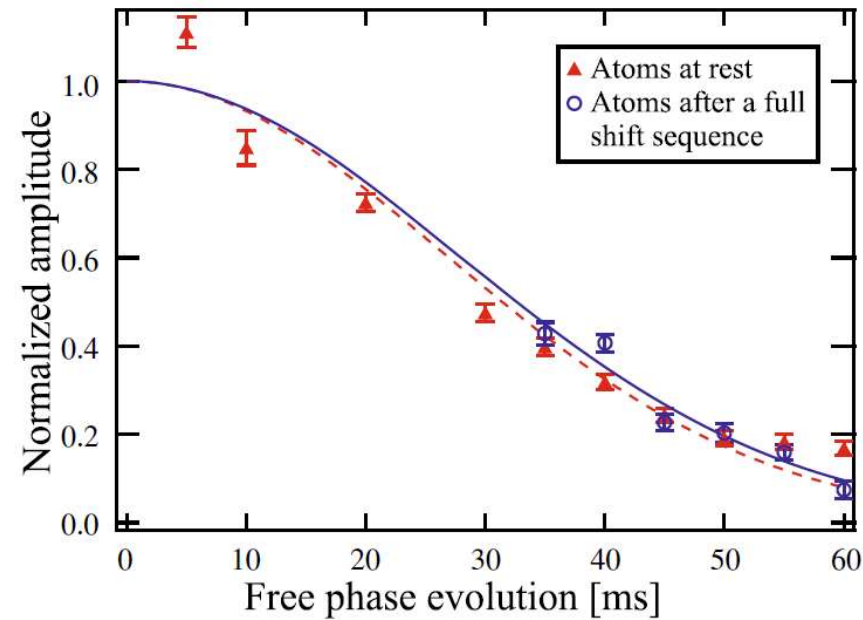
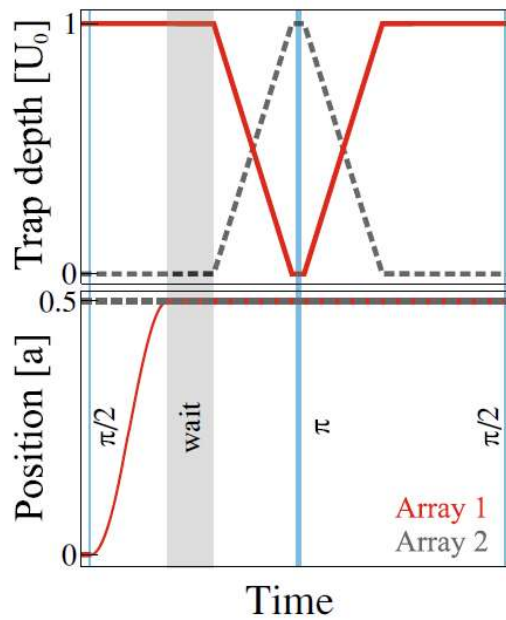


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## Coherent Transport





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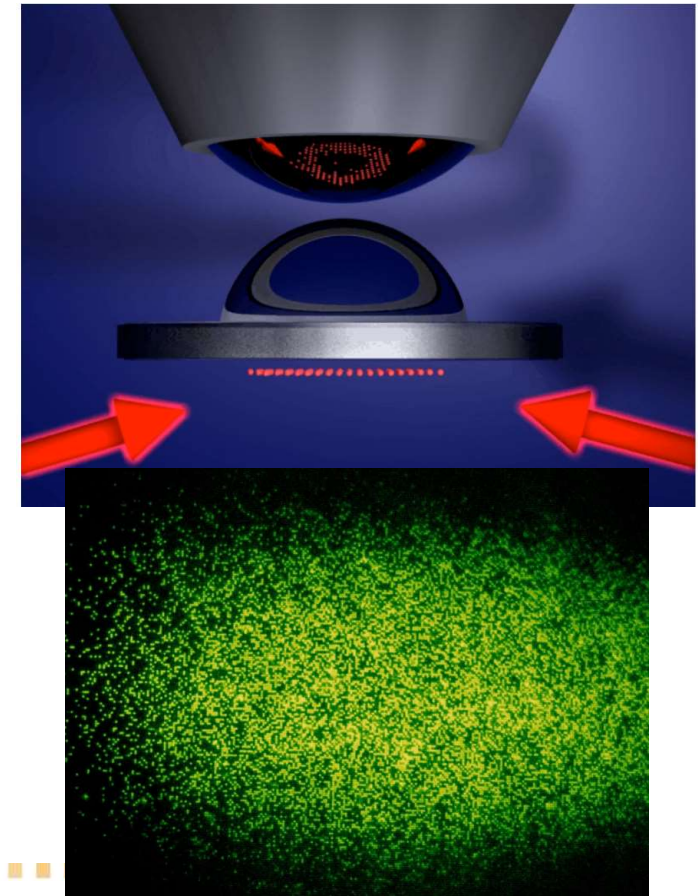
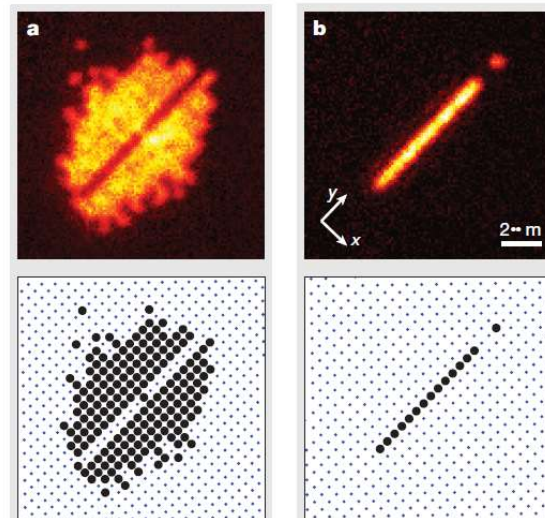
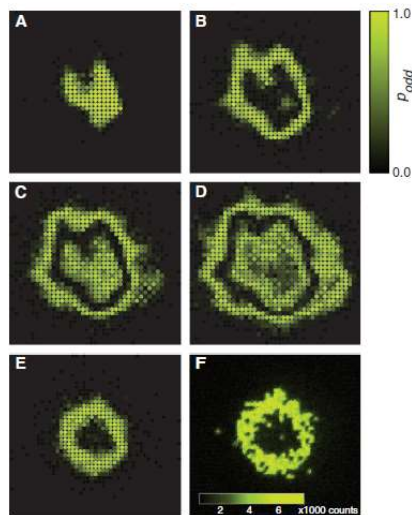
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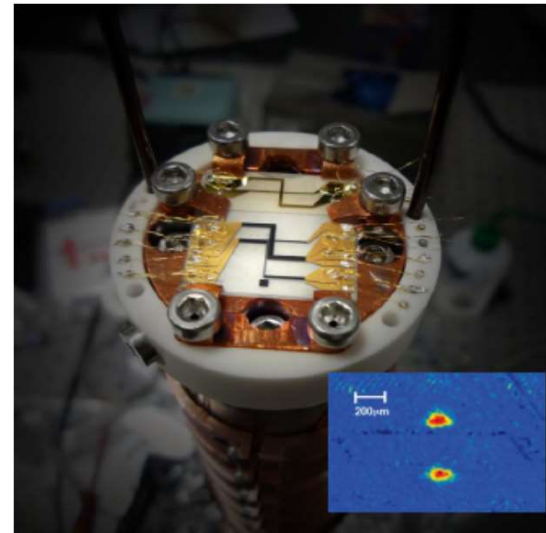
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Hybrids... as per schedule  
Neutral Atoms and Superconductors



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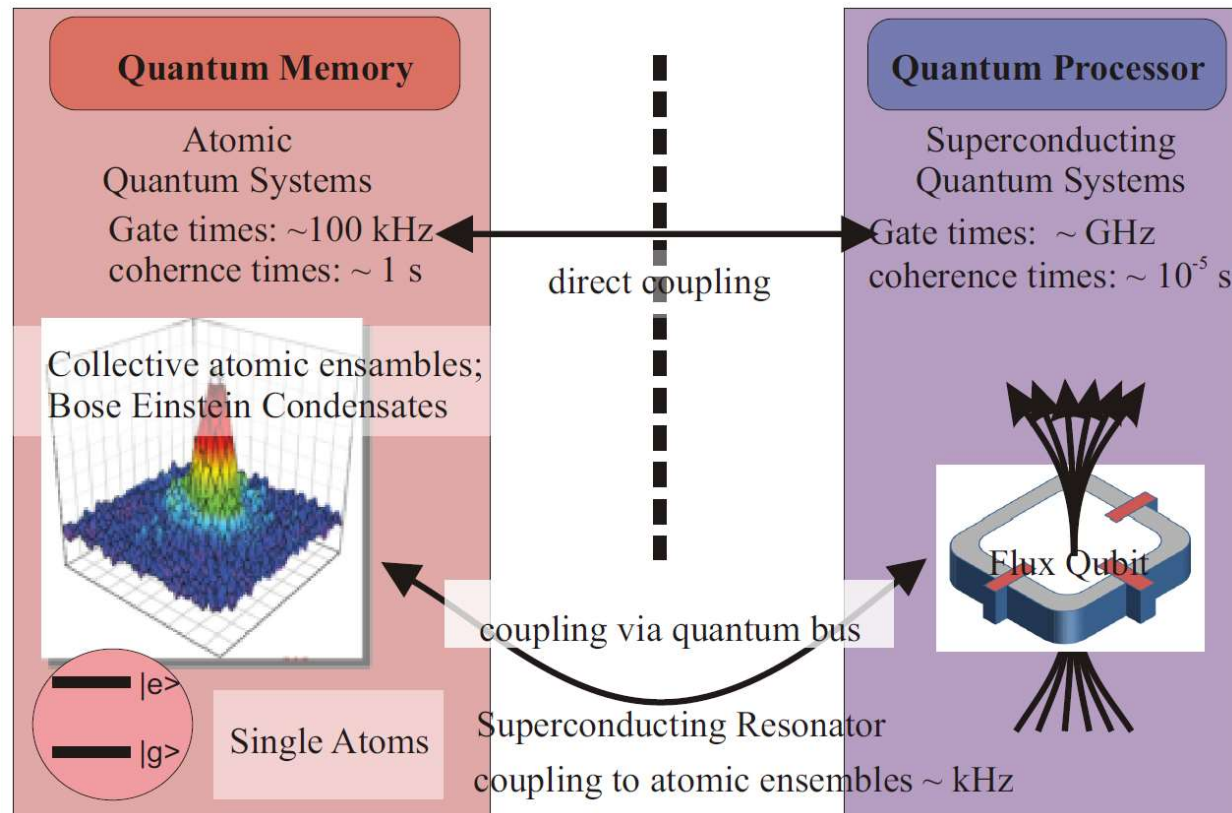
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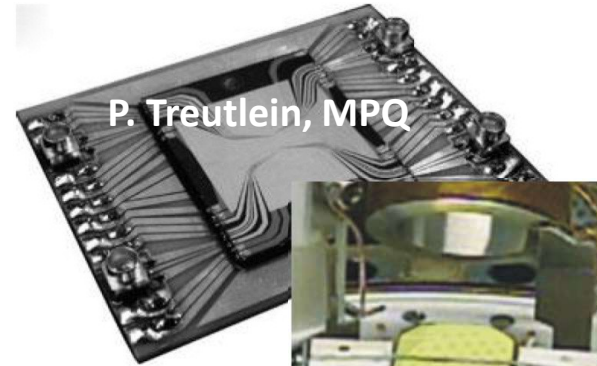
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	Neutral Atoms	Superconducting Circuit
Frequency Range	GHz and optical	1-20 GHz
Operating Temperature	nK - $\mu$ K	approx. 10mK
Single Qubit Gates	kHz-MHz	GHz
Two Qubit Gate	kHz-MHz	10-100 MHz
Coherence Times	ms-s	10-100 $\mu$ s

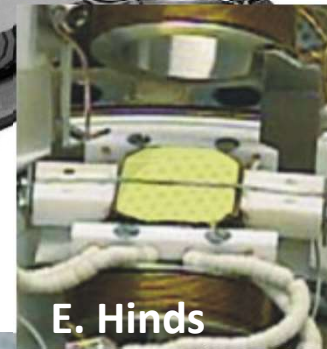
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Integrate microfabricated functional structures to **control, manipulate** and transport **atoms** close to the atomchip surface.



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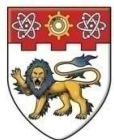
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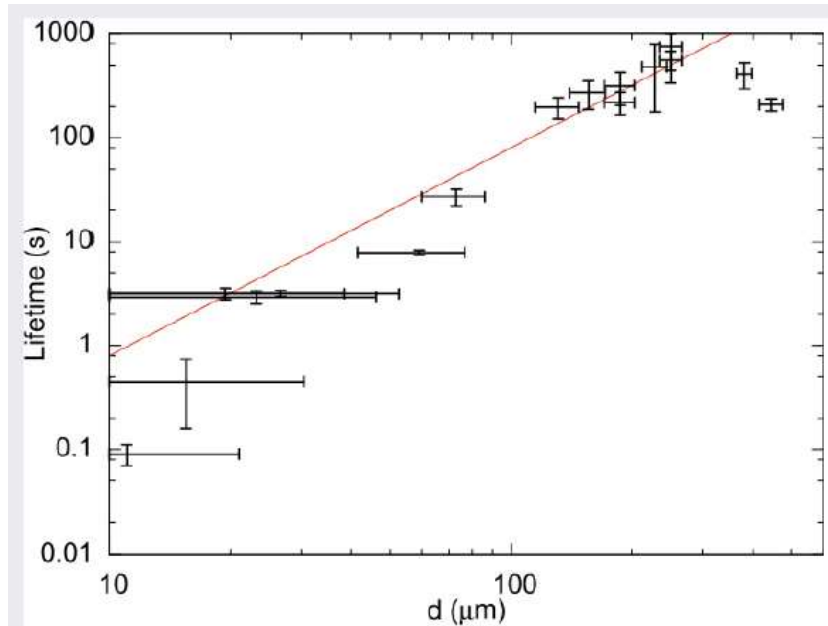
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Large coupling strength in a hybrid architecture at small distances ( $\mu\text{m}$ -scale)

Coherence and trap life times in conventional chip traps are limited by:

- Technical noise due to “classical” current supplies
- Thermal noise due to finite resistance.

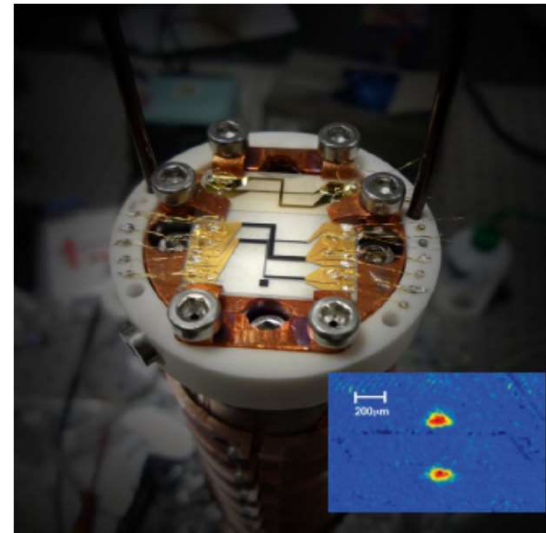


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## Superconducting atom chip

- long coherence times due to suppression absorptive noise

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- novel trapping/guiding geometries

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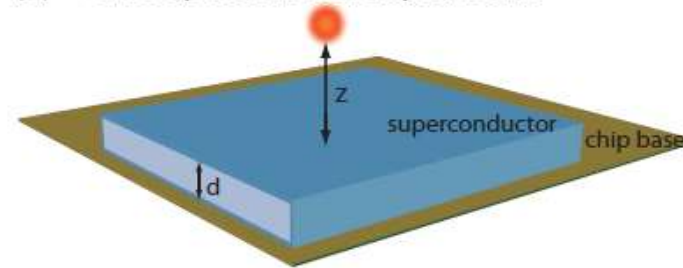
- investigating superconducting properties with ultra cold atoms

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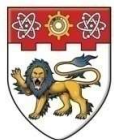
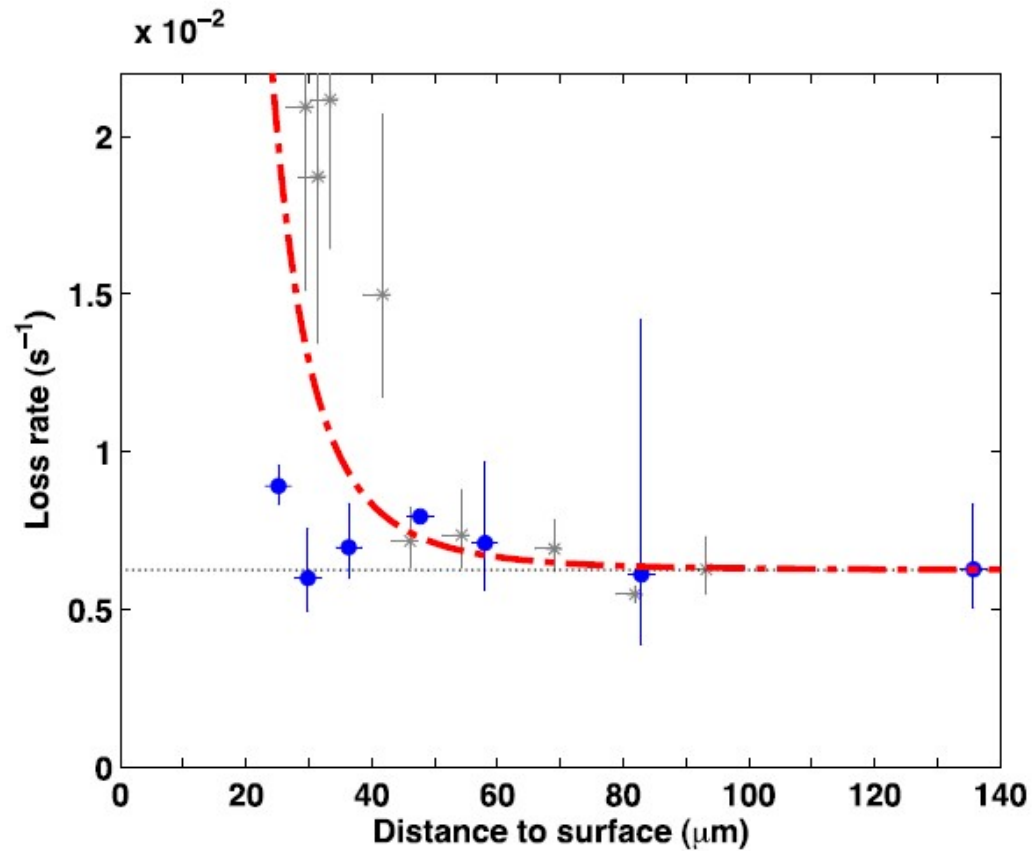
- pairing superconducting quantum circuits with ultra cold atoms/molecules

- Thermal fluctuations and resistivity of absorbing materials (e.g. metals result in noisy currents)
- The Fluctuation-Dissipation theorem leads to fluctuating electromagnetic fields at the materials surface.
- The atom interacts with those fields and a spin flip may occur leading to atomic loss or the atoms can be heated by fluctuations in the trapping potential.

(a) Bare Superconductor chip structure





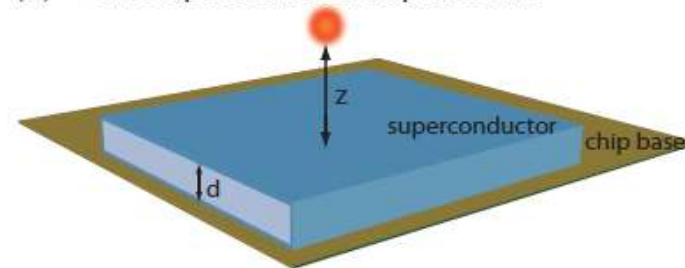


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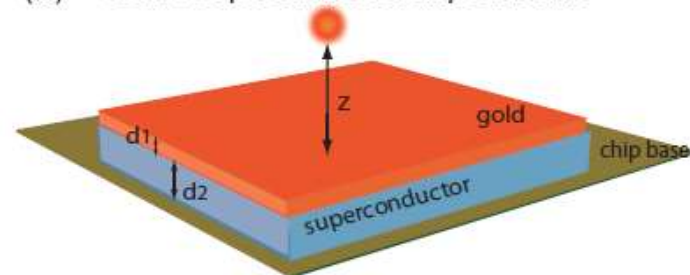
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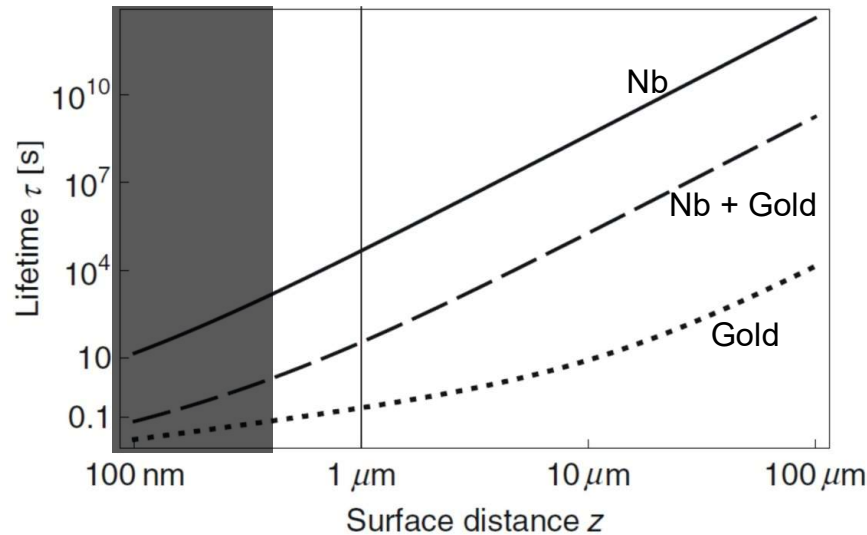
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(a) Bare Superconductor chip structure



(b) Gold + Superconductor chip structure





Adding gold layer:  
 - Protection / reflection of light  
 - Current safeguard

Spin flip lifetime for a niobium-based chip at 4.2 K,

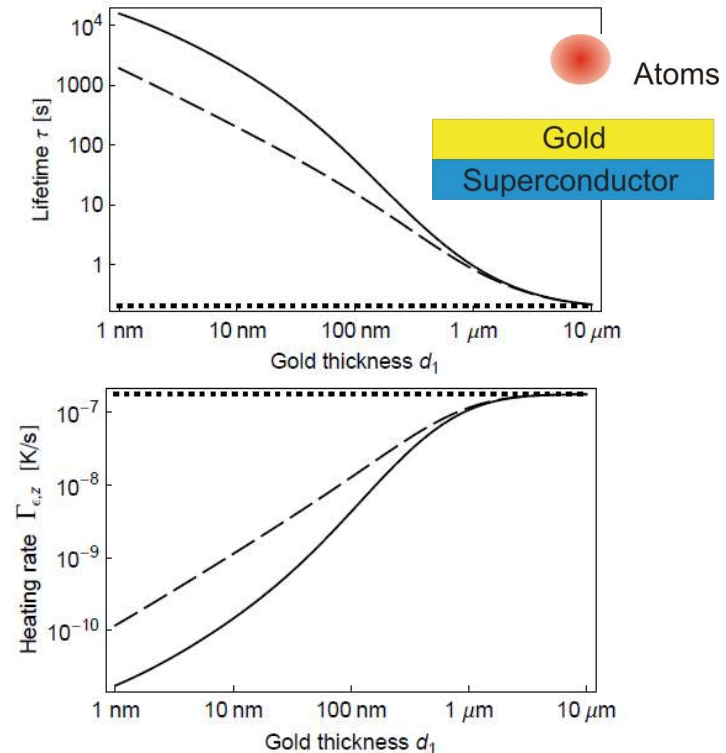
- thickness of the Nb layer: 1  $\mu$ m.
- Distinct difference in lifetime for the various structures.

bare niobium chip (solid)

niobium+gold chip with gold thickness of 50 nm (dashed)

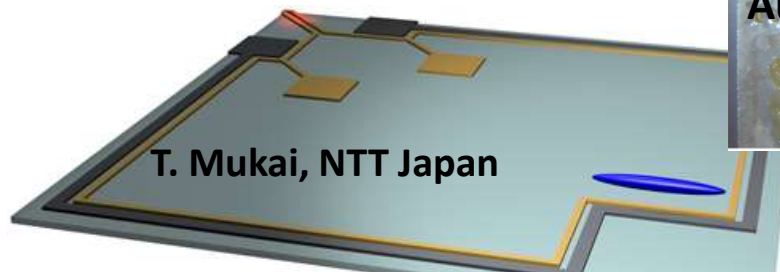
infinitely thick gold (dotted).

- Heating rate and spin flip lifetime of an atom 1  $\mu\text{m}$  above a superconducting chip with a top gold layer.
- **Niobium+gold chip (solid curve).**
- **YBCO+gold chip (dashed curve)**
- **Gold substrate (dotted line).**
- Both chips have a temperature of 4.2 K and the thickness of the superconducting layer is 1  $\mu\text{m}$ .
- The deposition of the gold layer can have a significant impact on the heating rate and spin flip lifetime.

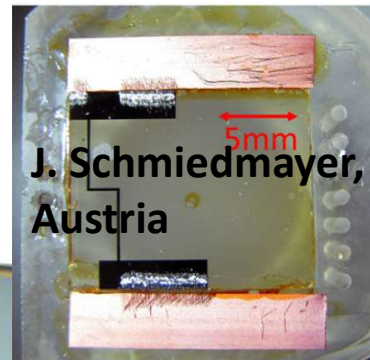


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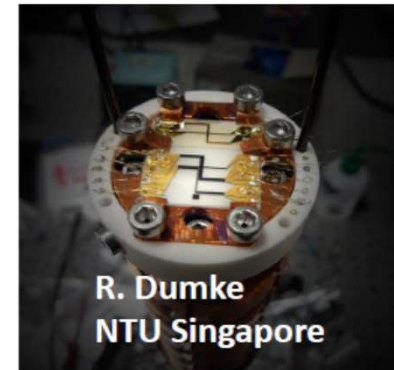
- Suppression of thermal noise
- Eliminate heating
- Longer coherence time
- Compatibility with hybrid system



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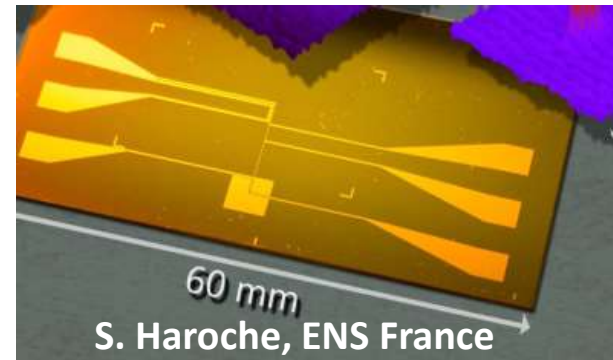
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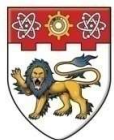
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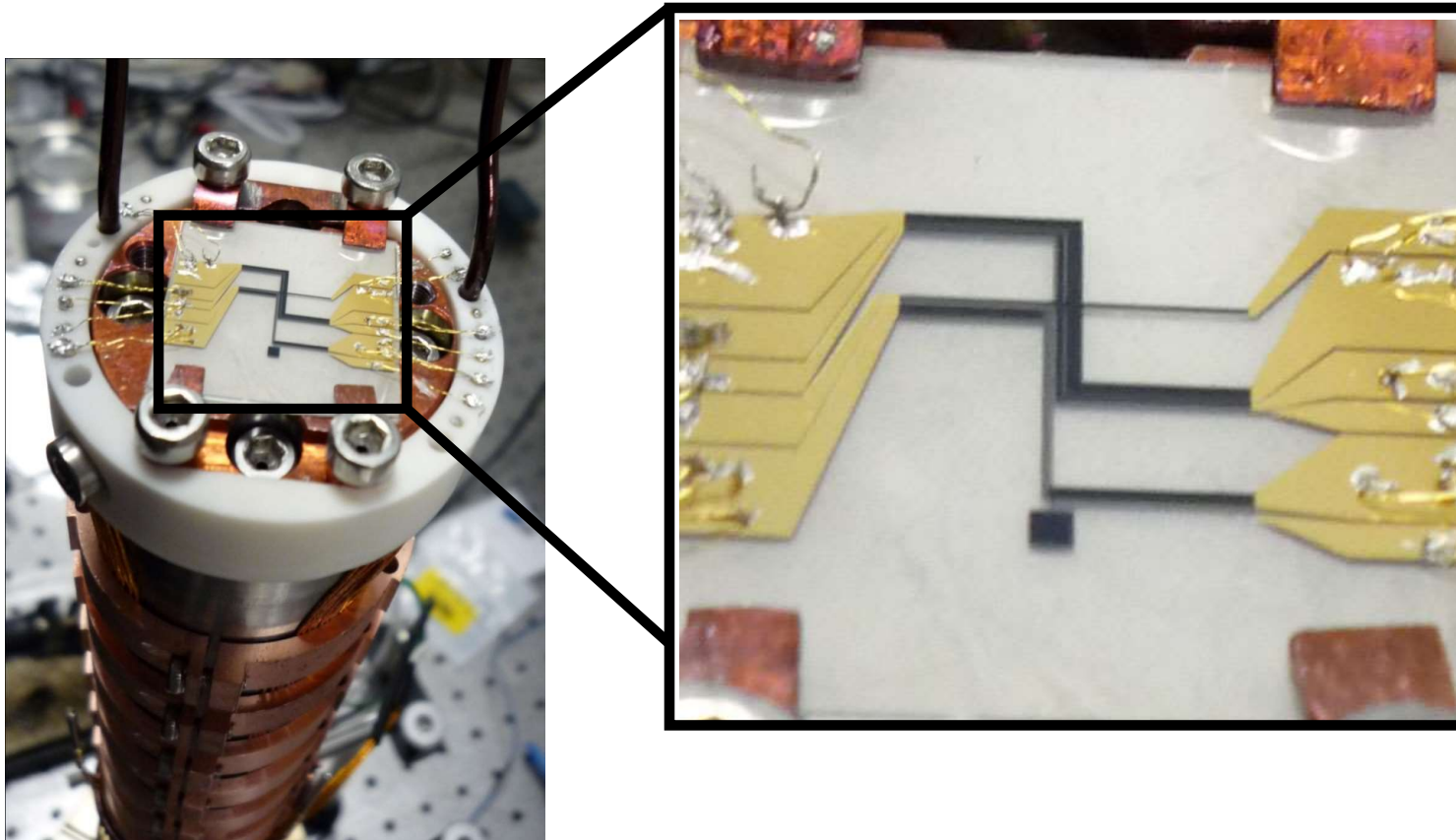
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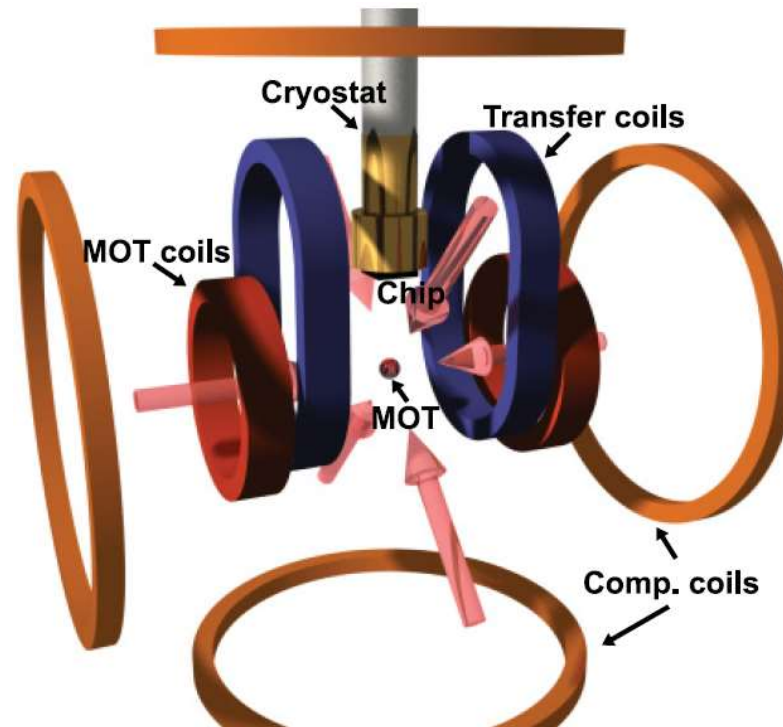
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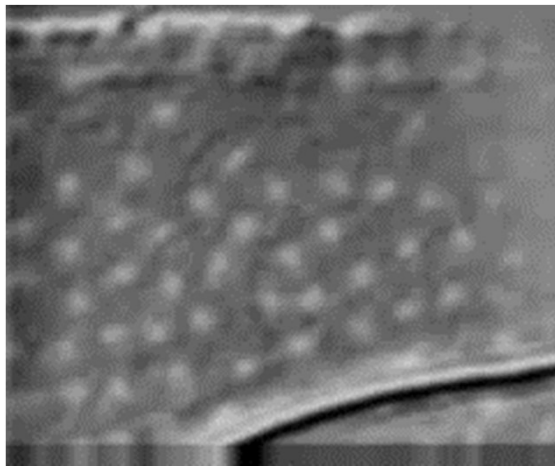




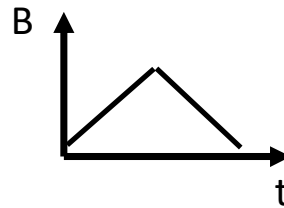
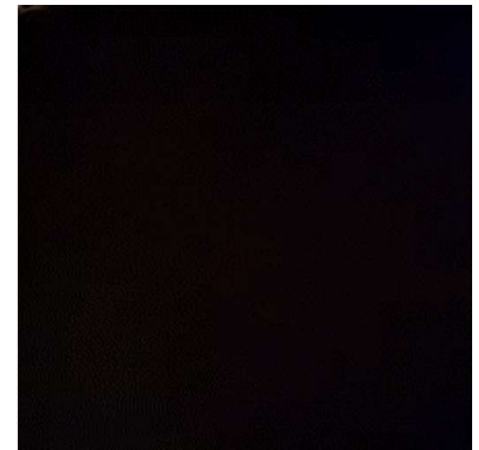
- Load atoms from a MOT into a quadrupole magnetic trap produced by external MOT coils.
- Transport atoms to chip using transfer coils and offset fields.
- Turn off transport coil field to capture atoms in SC vortex field



### Vortices Entering Superconductor



### Vortex Distribution



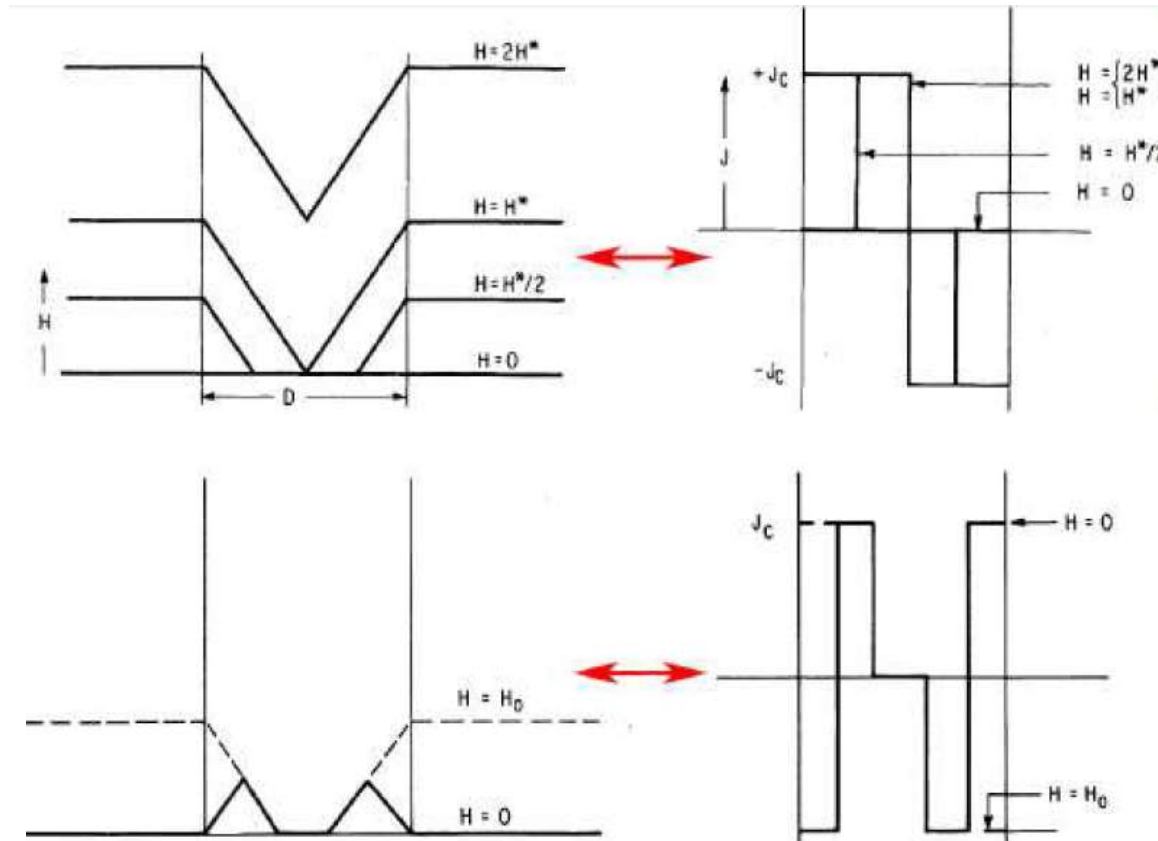
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## The simple picture

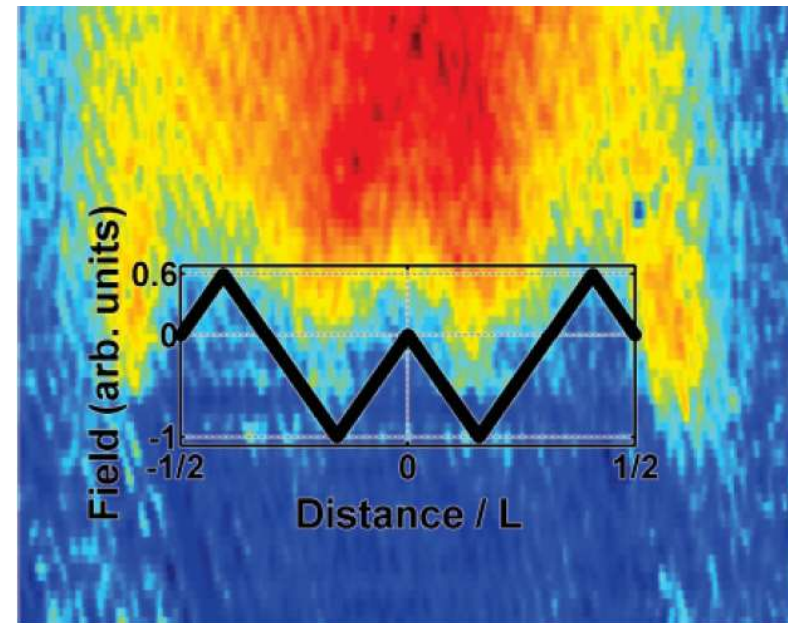
Superconductors will resist any change in magnetic field by producing a countering magnetic field (Lenz's Law)

- Assume the current in the SC takes a maximum value  $J_c$ .
- 0 resistivity means any small induced voltage gives maximum current
- Current values of  $J_c$ , 0 or  $-J_c$  possible



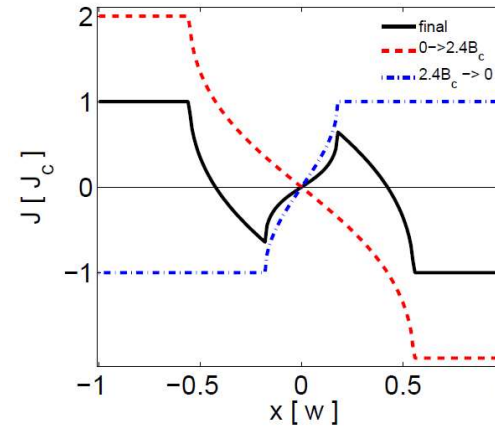
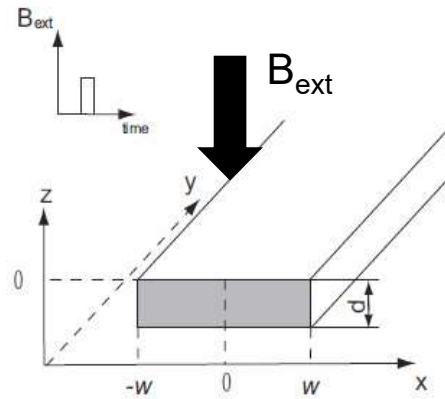
### Probing vortex induced current distribution with atoms.

- Induced magnetic field along x at the surface of the square according to Bean's model.
- The square carries super currents loaded by two mag. field pulses.
- The atoms display a triangular structure closely resembling the magnetic field produced by the vortices.



*Absorption image of ultracold atoms in vicinity of superconducting square.*

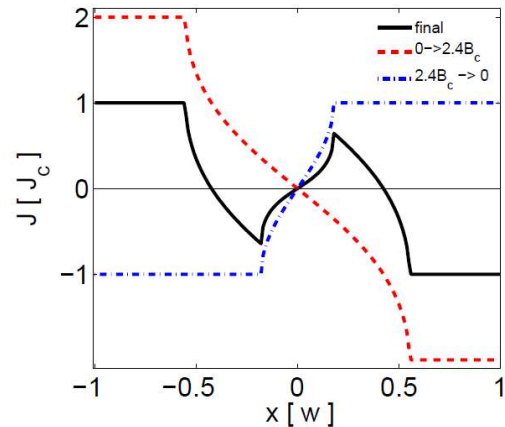
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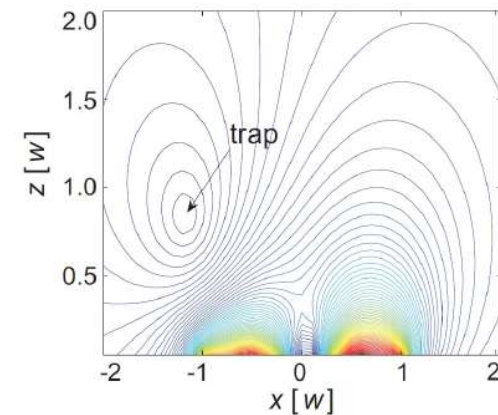
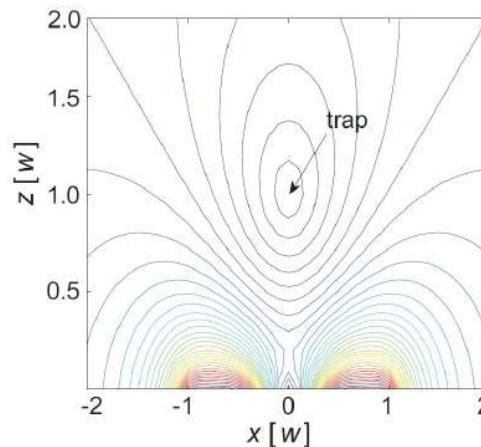
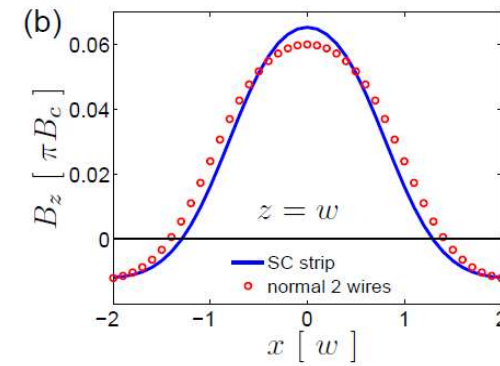
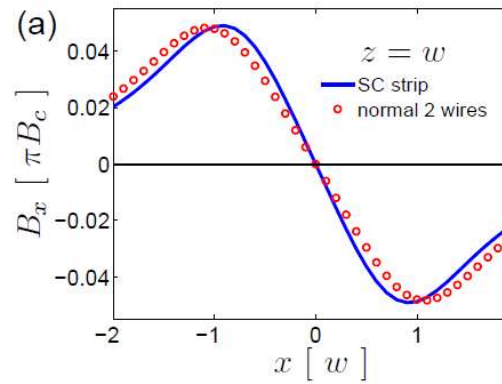
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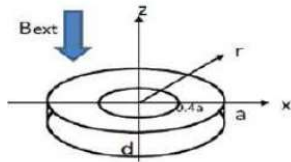
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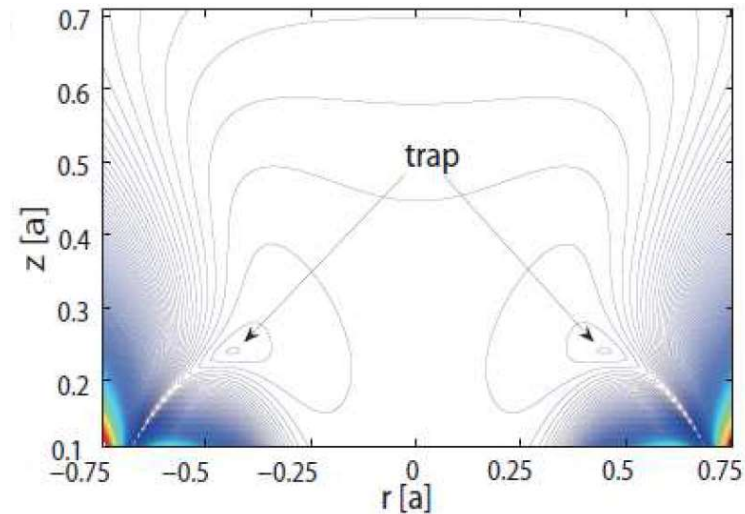
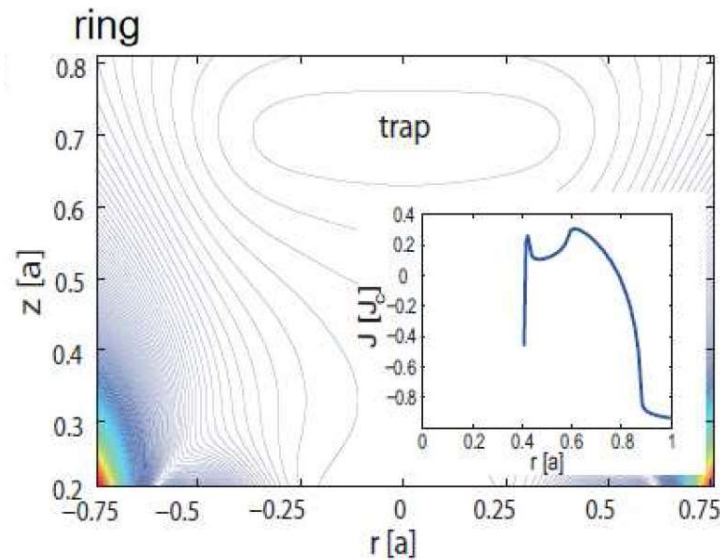
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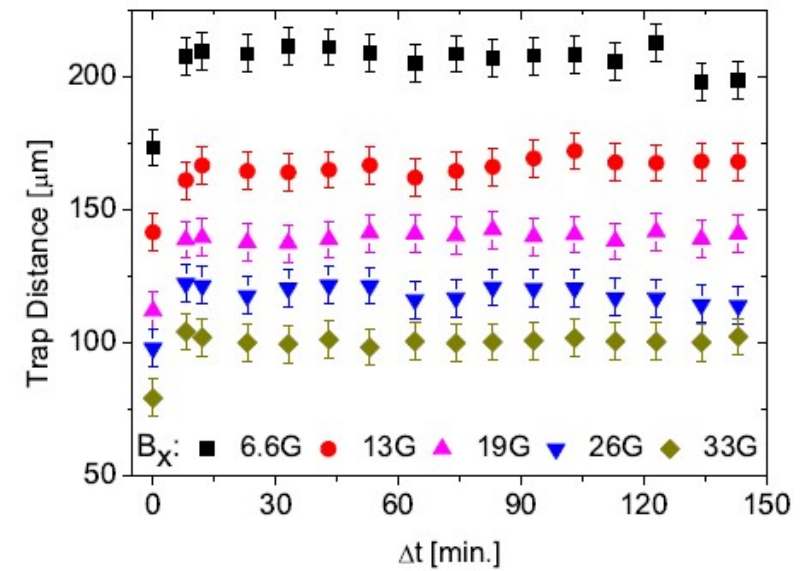
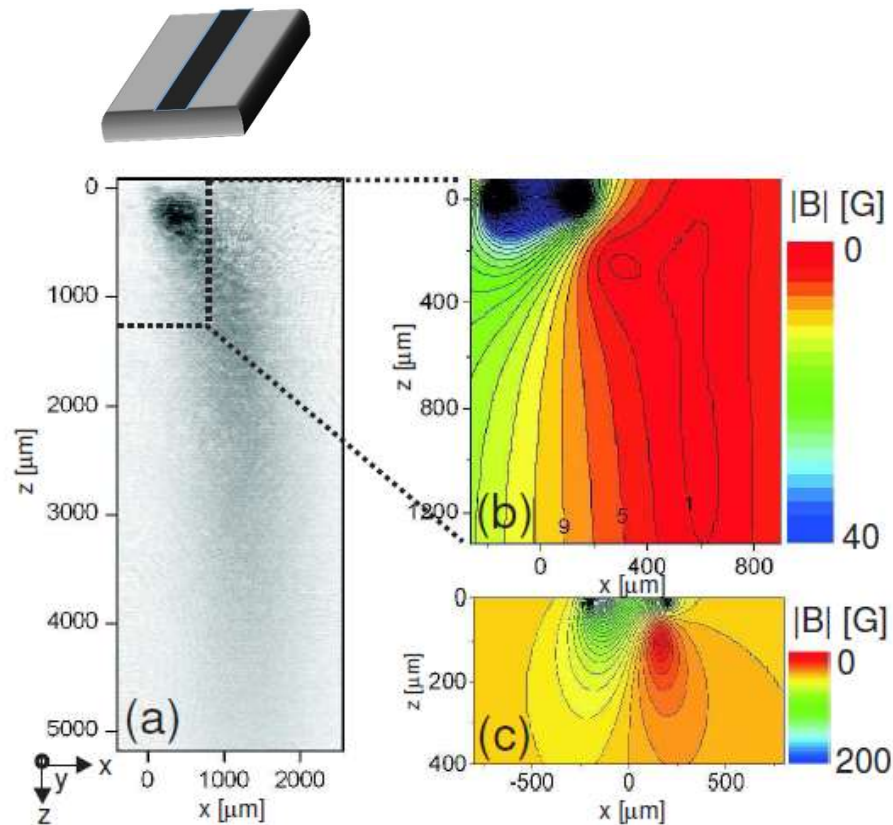


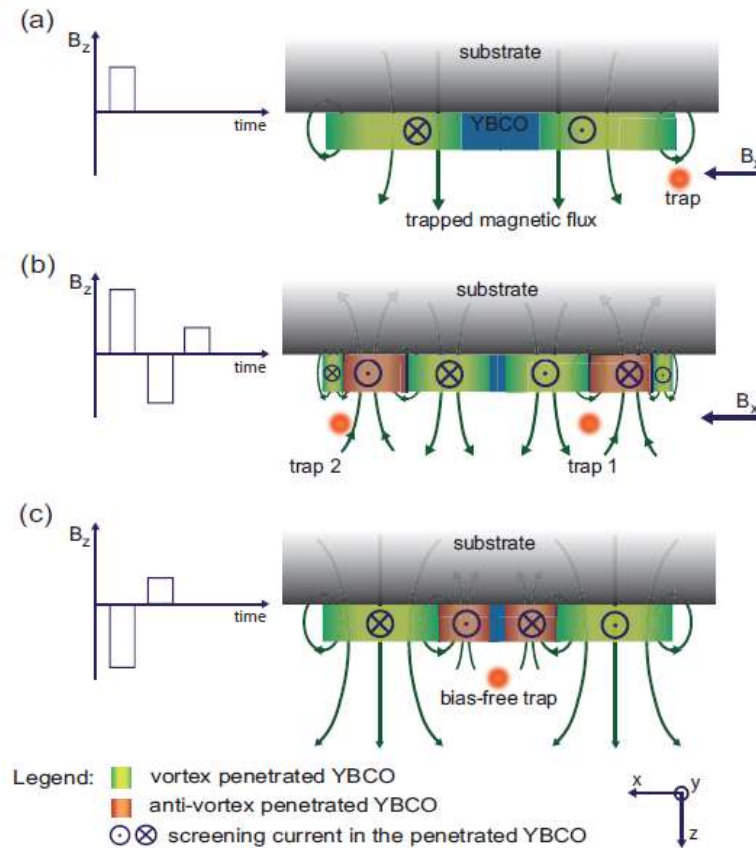
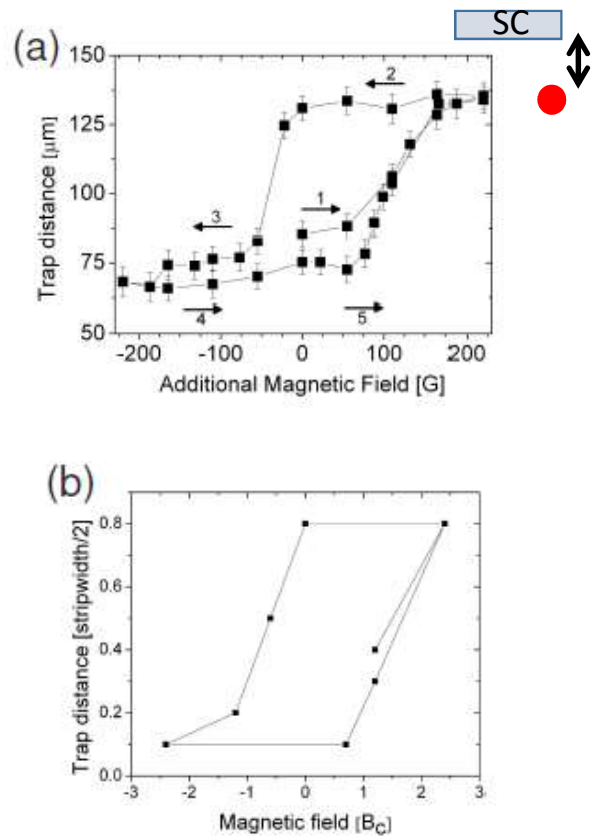
Employing superconducting rings:

- Rings can produce large radius and strong confinement by using a two magnetic field pulse sequence.

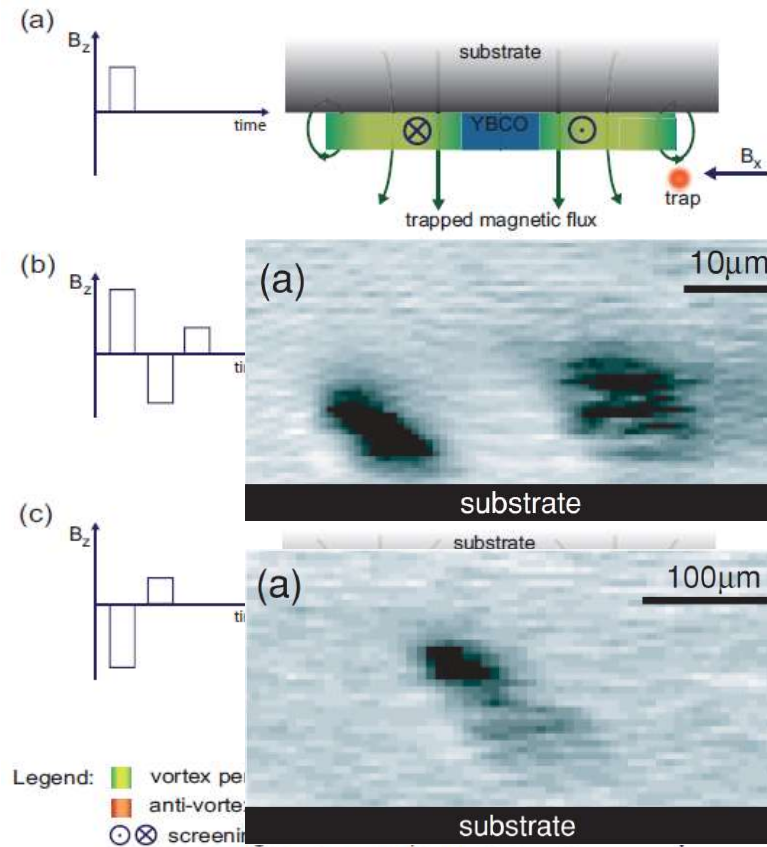
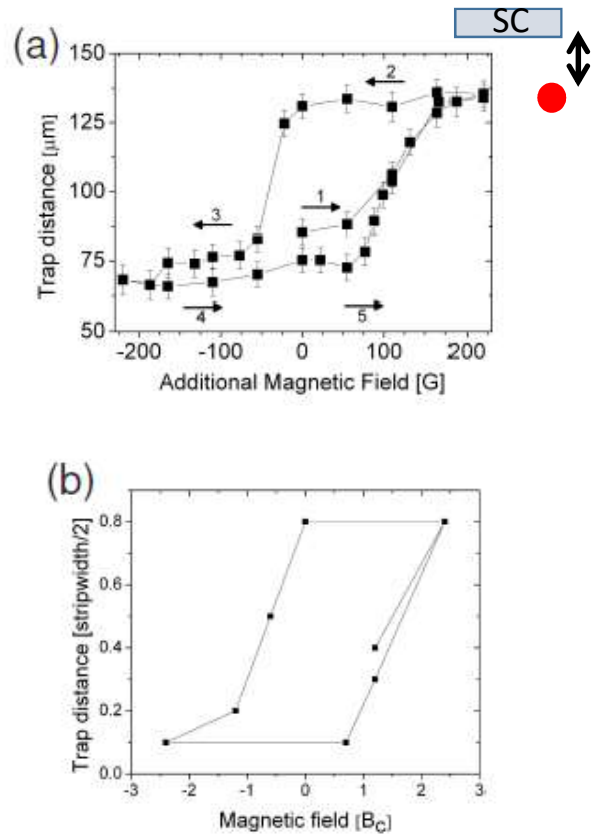








## Programmable trap geometries

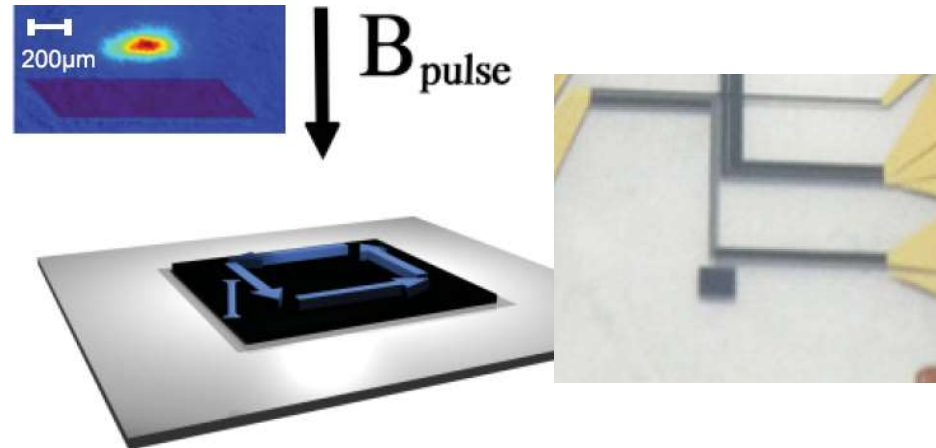




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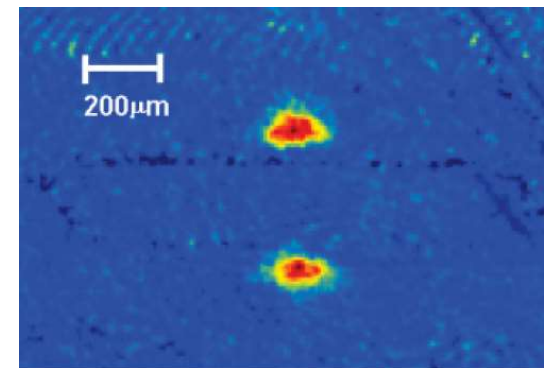
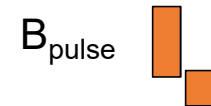
- Applying magnetic field pulse generates persistent sheet current.

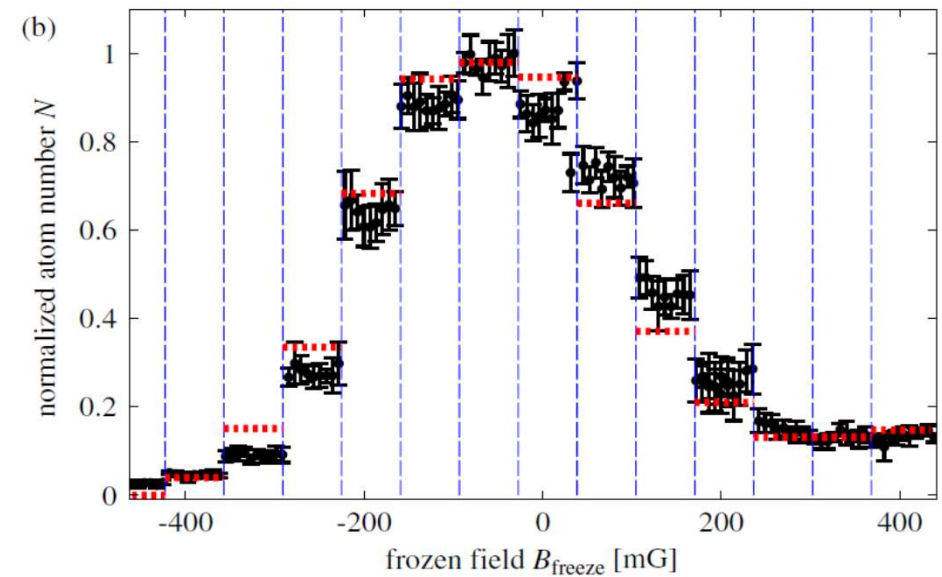
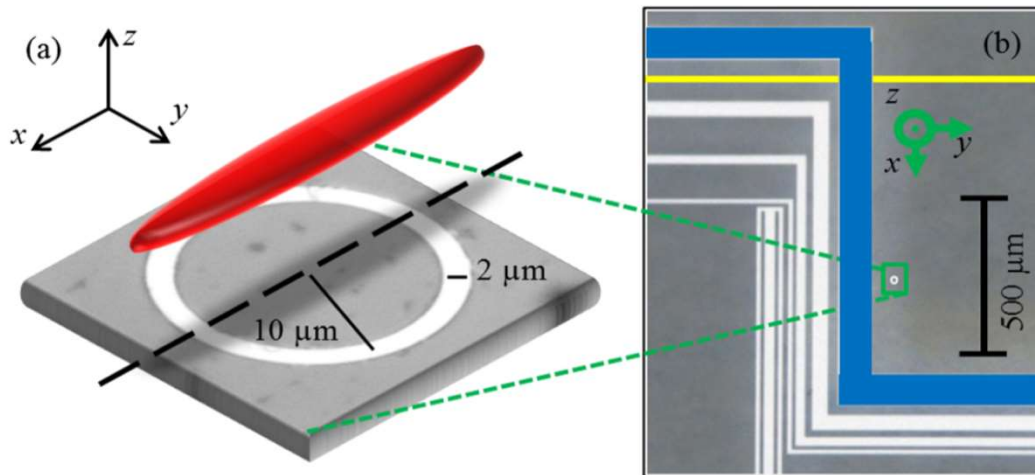
-> Quadrupole trap with bias field



## Self-sustaining trap on a square

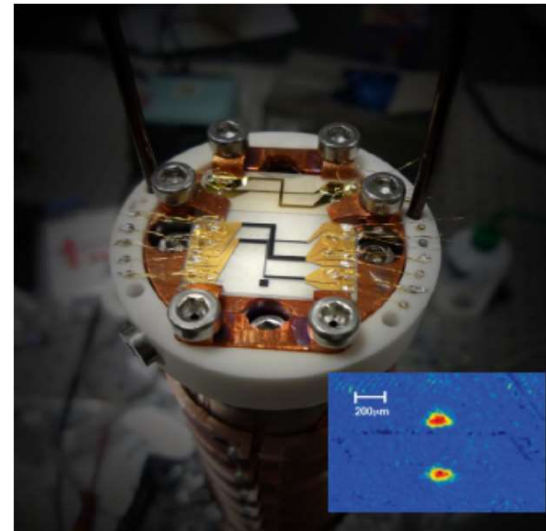
- $>10\mu\text{K}$  trap depth
- Trap height governed by difference in pulse strength between the 2 loading pulses

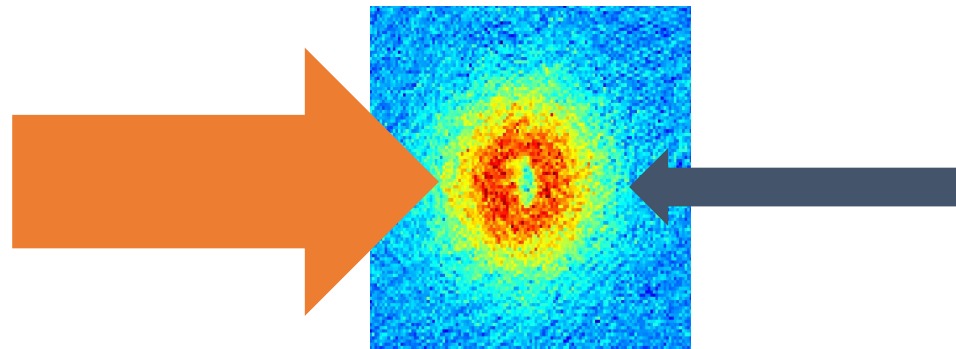
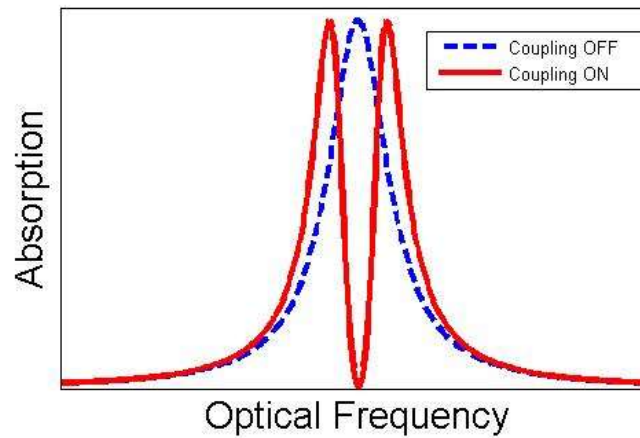
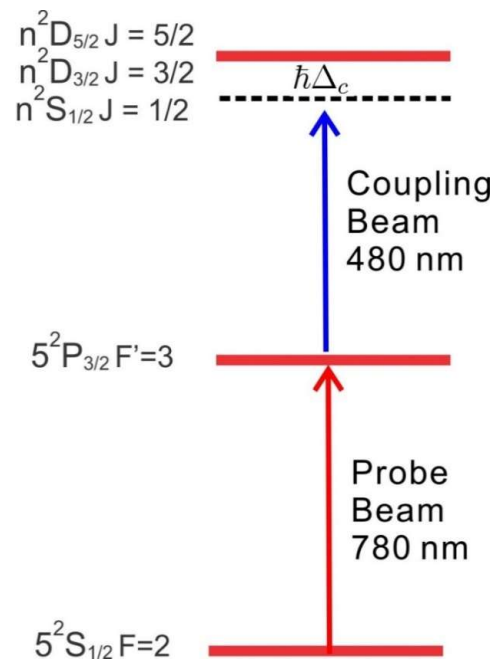


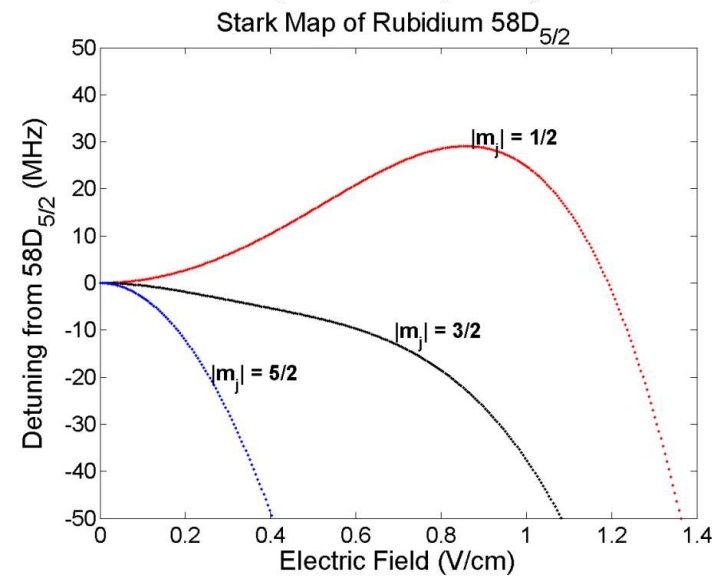
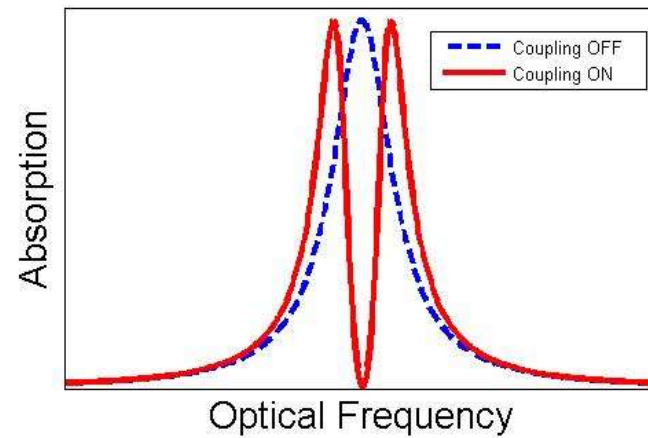
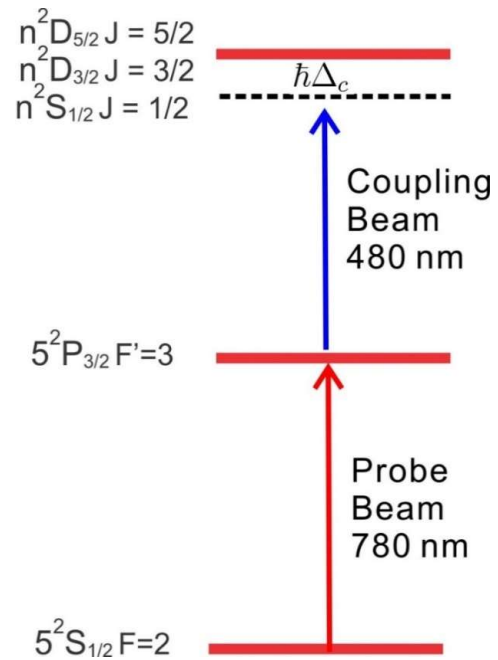


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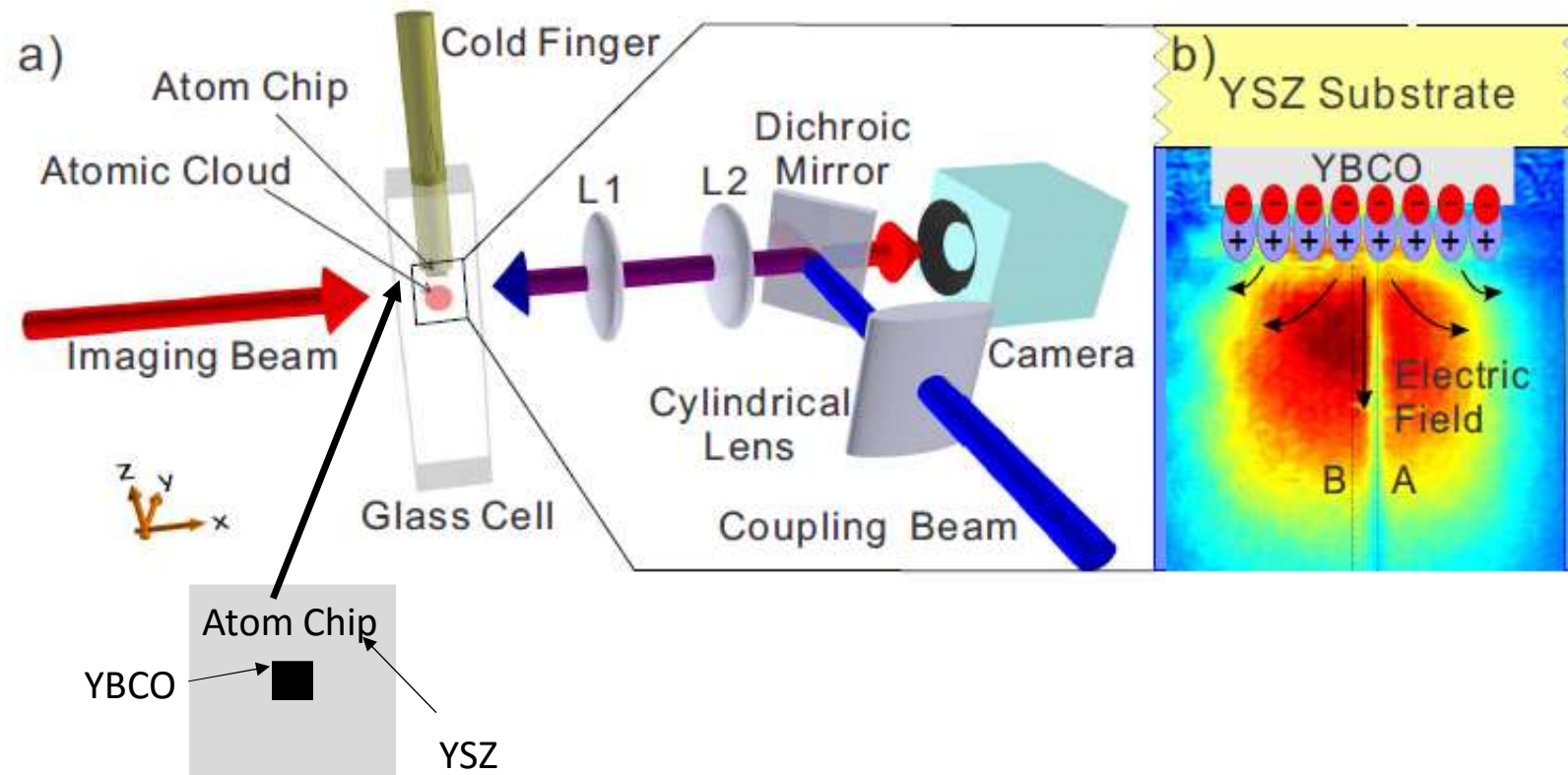
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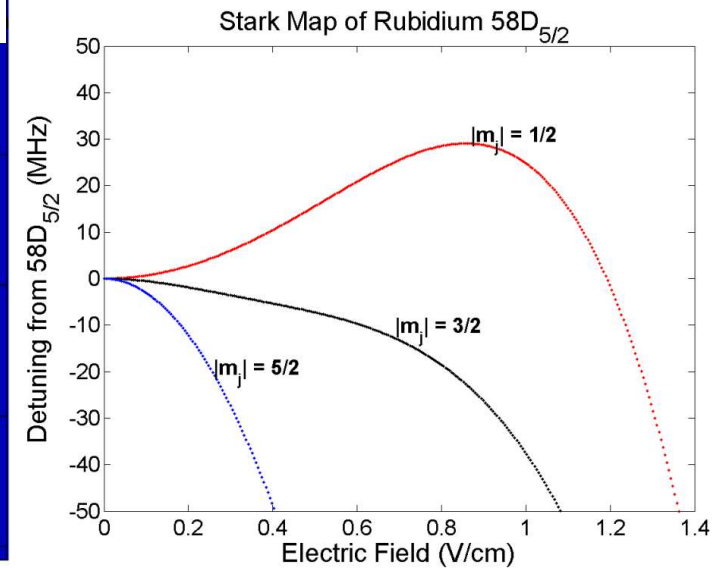
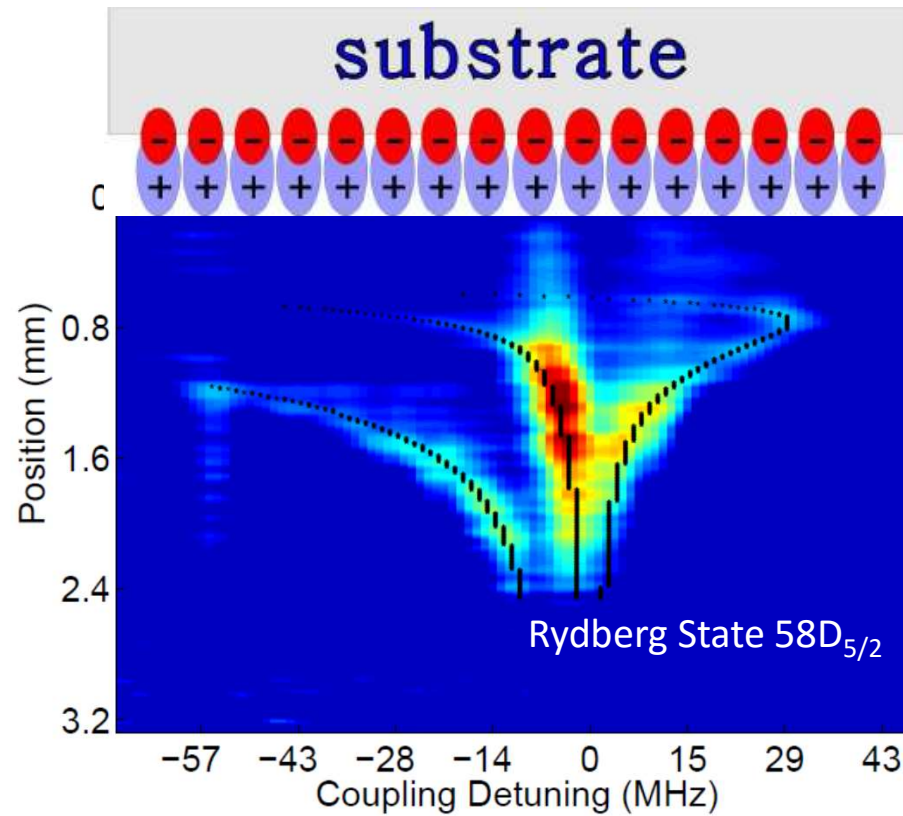


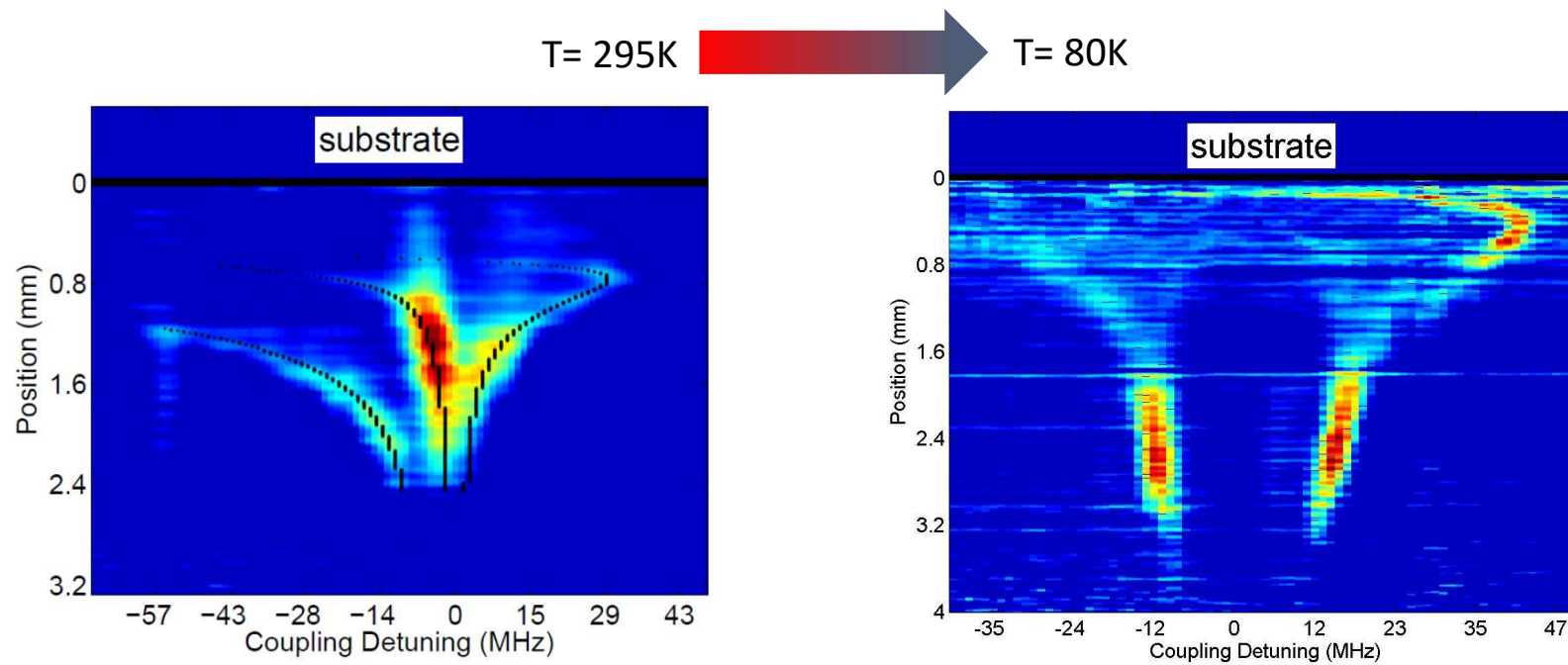






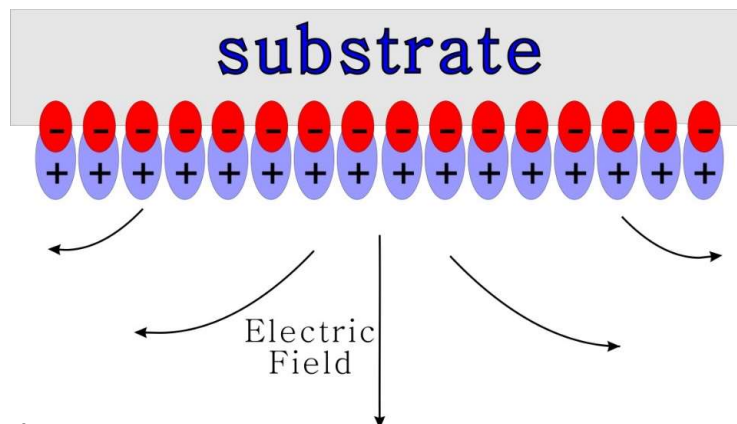






$$48D_{5/2} \quad |m_j| = 1/2, 3/2, (5/2).$$

Room Temperature:



Physical Meaning:

Substrate work function > adsorbate ionization energy



Charge transfer from adsorbate to substrate



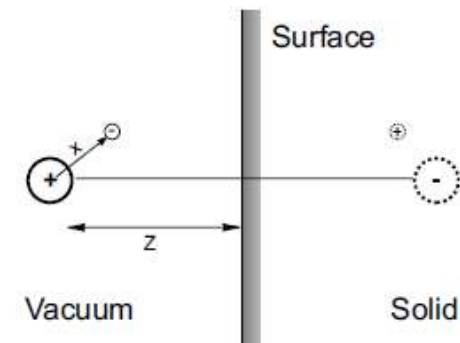
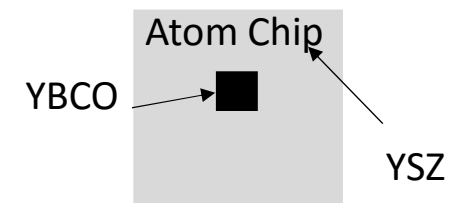
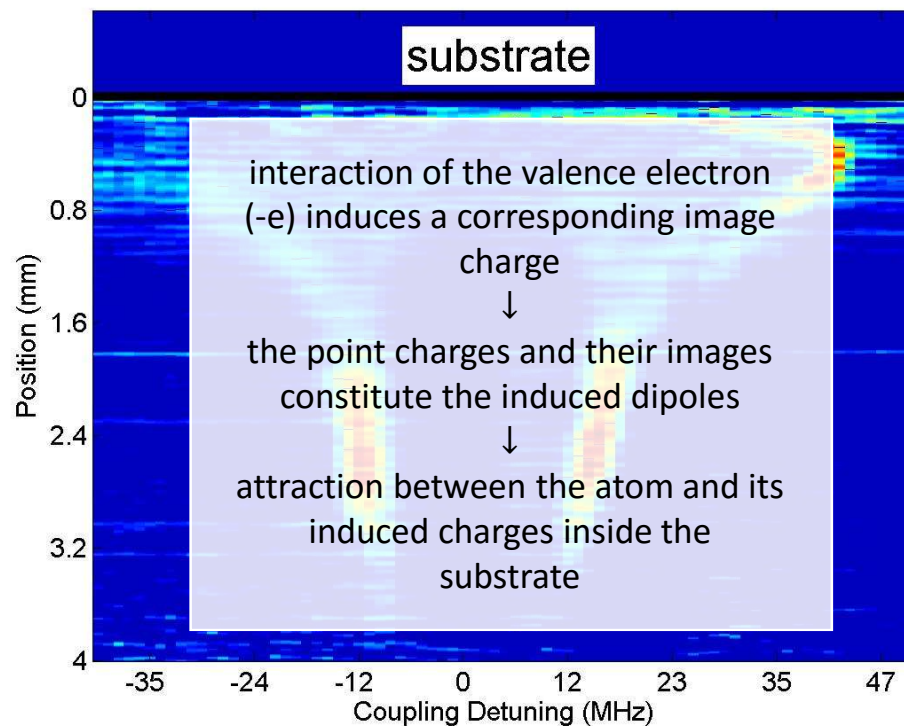
Form an electric dipole with electropositive charge on the surface and electronegative image charge inside the substrate

### Determining Factors for Dipole Moment of Chemisorbed Atom

- Difference of the work function of the substrate and the ionization energy of the adsorbate

Cryogenic Temperature:

## Physisorption on YSZ

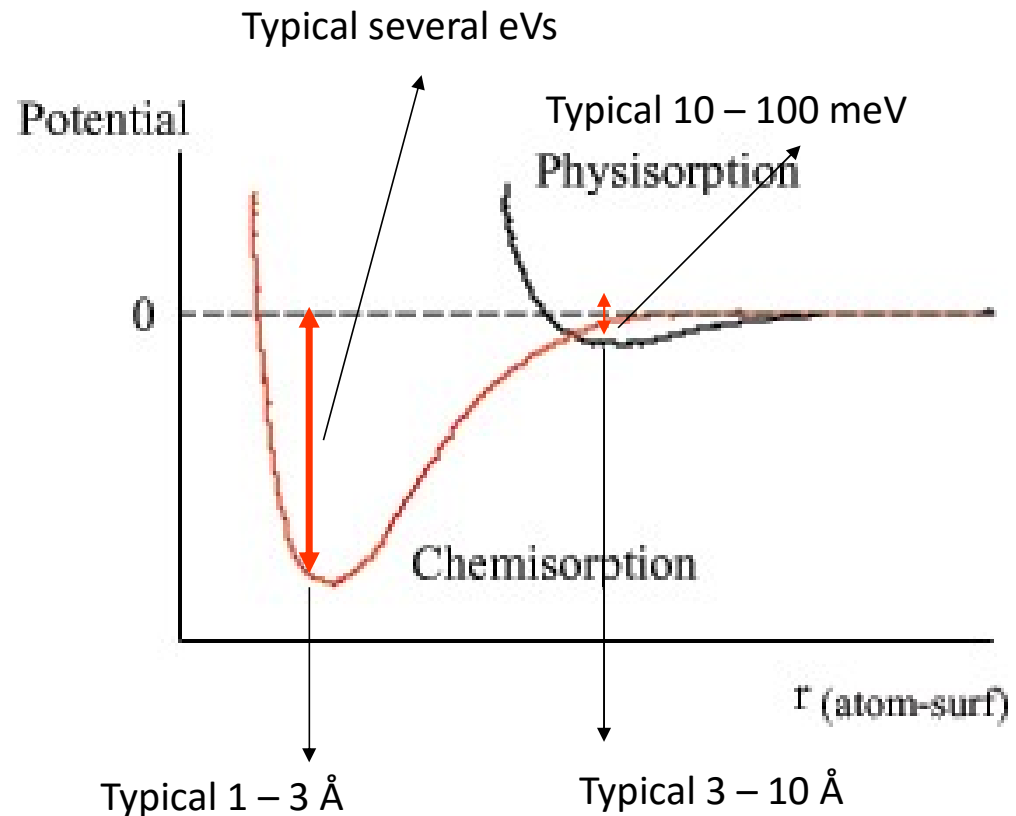


### Physisorption

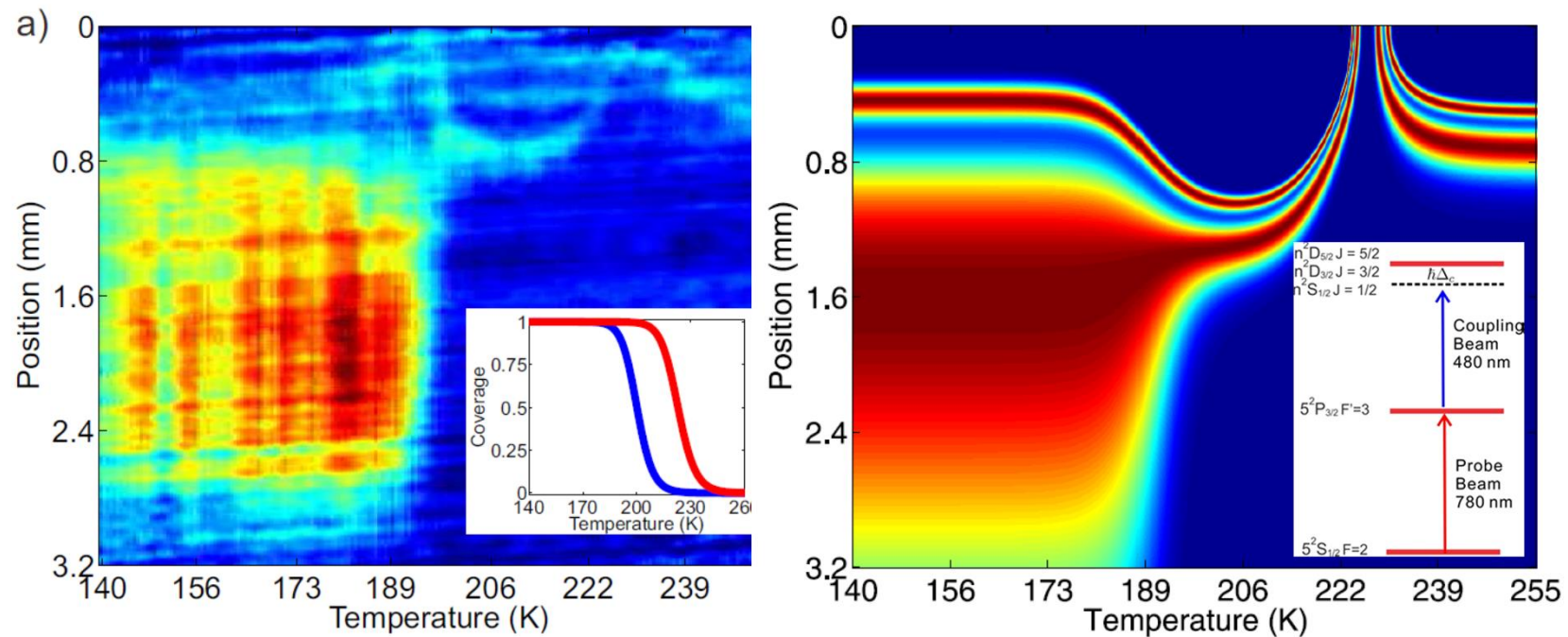
1. Van der Waals bonding (dipole)
2. Weak ( $<0.4$  eV)
3. always atomic/molecular
4. Reversible and fast
5. surface symmetry insensitive
6. may form multilayers

### Chemisorption

1. Covalent/metallic/ionic
2. Strong ( $>0.4$  eV)
3. May be dissociative
4. Often irreversible
5. surface symmetry specific
6. limited to monolayer

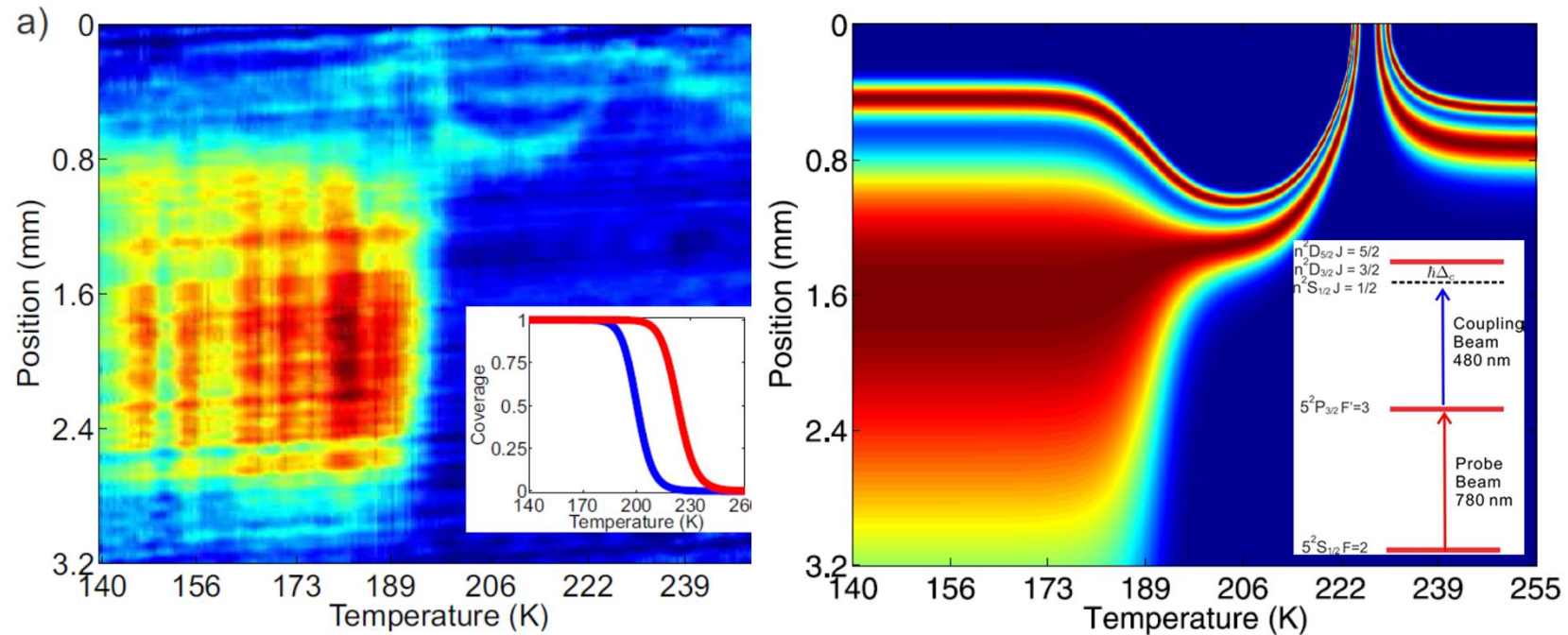






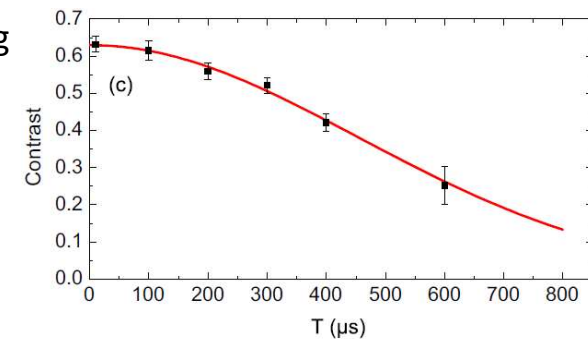
Rydberg spectroscopy  $5^2D_{5/2} m_j = \frac{1}{2}$  state below the YBCO square in dependence of the temperature.





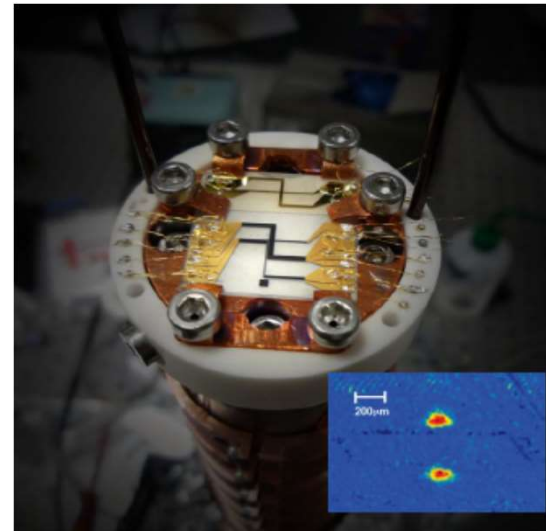
- It has been shown that Rydberg states show extremely long coherence times in cryogenic environment

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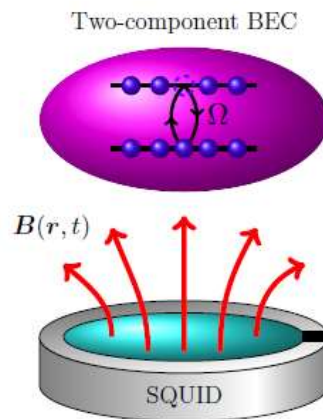
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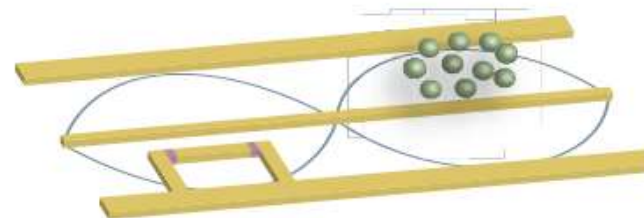
**Experimental path towards Hybrid Systems**  
**Interfacing solid state devices with neutral atoms:**

**Interaction with neutral atoms :**

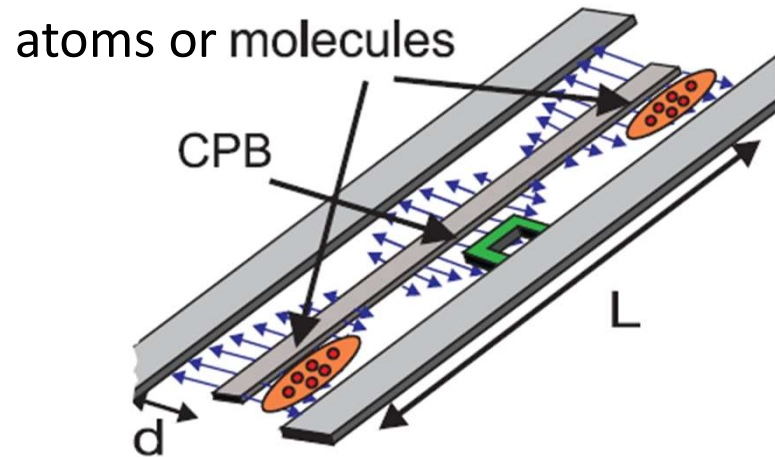
- Magnetic moment
- Electrical dipole moment
- Electro magnetic coupling



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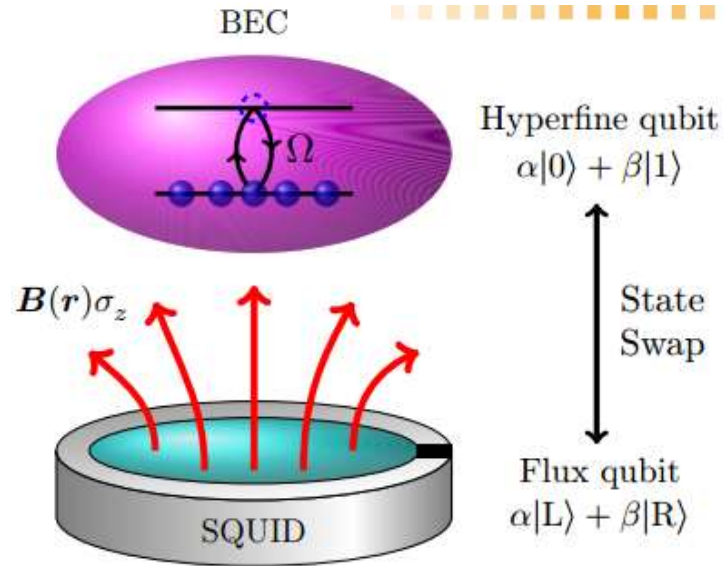
- Superconducting circuits  
the rapid quantum processor
- Coplanar waveguide resonator  
a quantum data bus
- Atomic systems  
the long-time quantum memory

Weaknesses:

1. the extra cavity loss
2. the weak inter-subsystem coupling,  $g \sim 2\pi \times 10$  kHz

Long-range quantum gate via Rydberg states of atoms in a thermal microwave cavity

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Magnetic dipole interaction

$$V = -\boldsymbol{\mu} \cdot \mathbf{B}.$$

For single atom, extremely small  $V$ .

Employ the BEC qubit

$$|0\rangle_B = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} (a_{\downarrow}^{\dagger})^N |vac\rangle.$$

$$|1\rangle_B = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(N-1)!}} (a_{\downarrow}^{\dagger})^{N-1} a_{\uparrow}^{\dagger} |vac\rangle.$$

Thus,  $V \sim -\sqrt{N}\boldsymbol{\mu} \cdot \mathbf{B}$  can reach  $2\pi \times 10$  MHz with  $N \sim 10^6$ .

### Weaknesses:

1. Still a weak coupling
2. Large fluctuation of atomic number
3. The atom-atom interactions

## Coupling of Rydberg Atoms to charge Qubit

Cooper pairs tunneling into or out of the box varies the internal electric field  $\mathcal{E}$ .

The expectation value of  $\mathcal{E}$

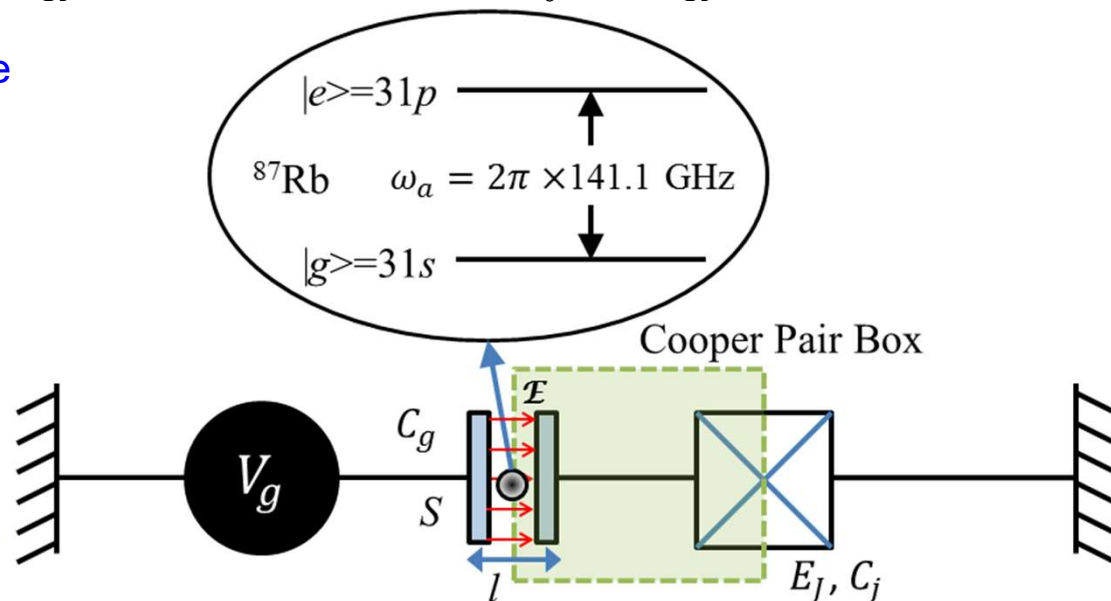
$$\langle \mathcal{E} \rangle \approx \mathcal{E}_0 \cos \omega_0 t$$

Amplitude  $\mathcal{E}_0 \propto N_R$

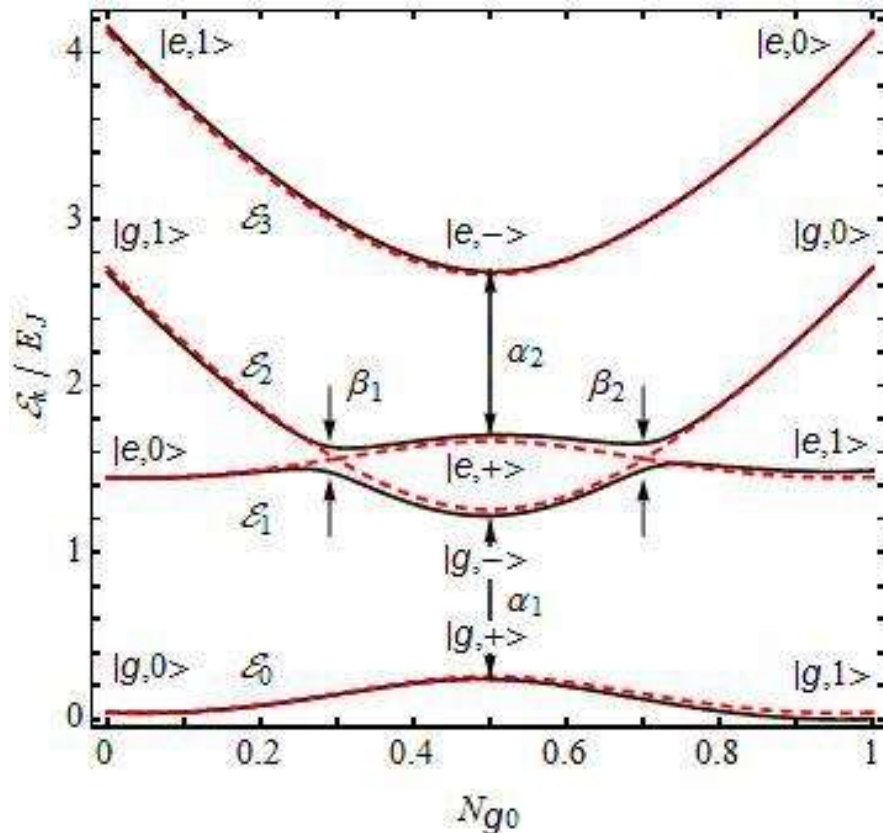
Frequency  $\omega_0 = \Omega_R$

This oscillatory electric field can be applied to drive a two-level atom!

**Hybrid system =  
Charge qubit +  
Atomic qubit**

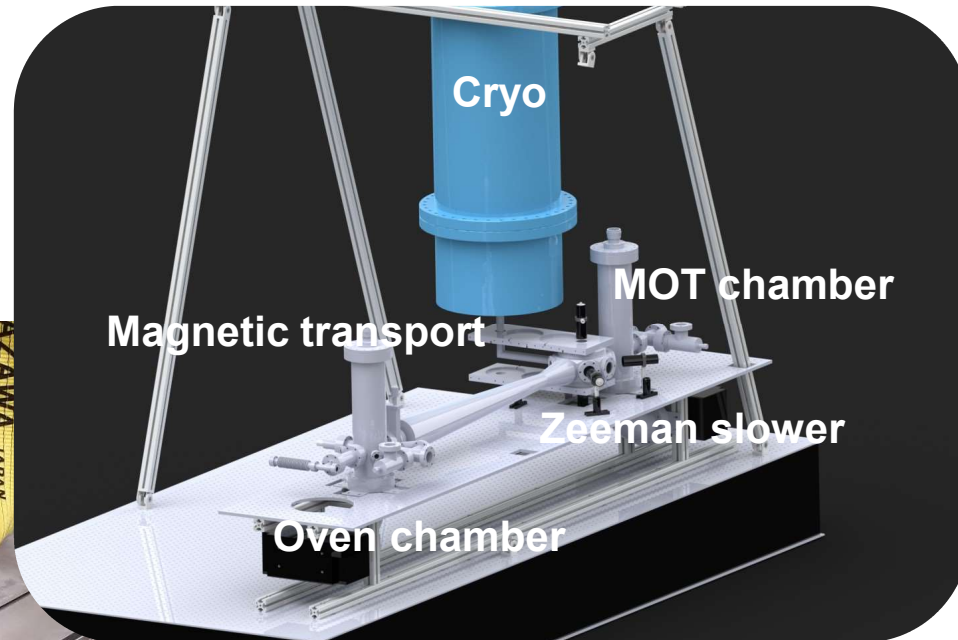
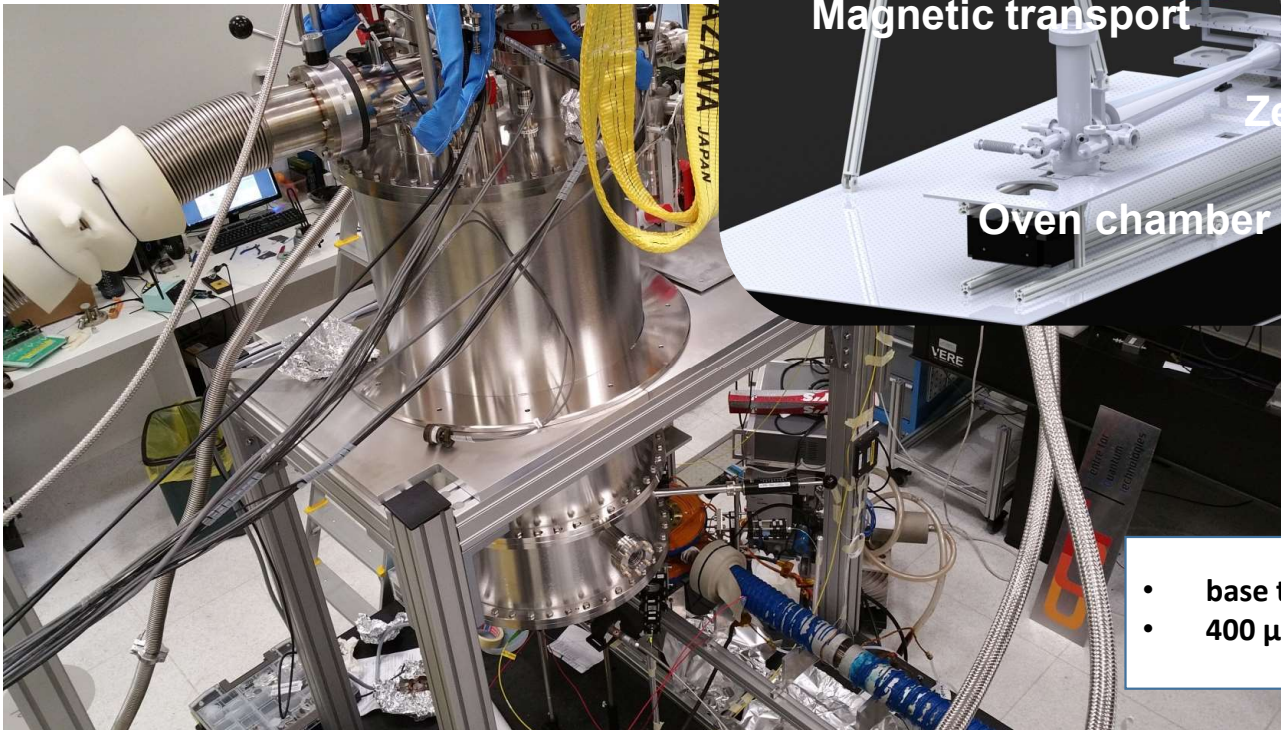






- 1) the whole energy structure consists of two sets of the charge-qubit-like spectra with the Josephson-tunneling-induced anti-crossings labelled as  $\alpha_{1,2}$ , whose energy spacings are approximately equal to  $\hbar\Delta_1=E_J$ , at  $N_{g0}=0.5$ .
- 2) two other avoided crossings labelled as  $\beta_{1,2}$  at  $N_{g0}=0.3$  and at  $N_{g0}=0.7$ , respectively. the energy spacing approximates  $\hbar\Delta_2=0.22E_J$ .
- 3) the eigenstates at several specific  $N_{g0}$ .

Experimental Status:



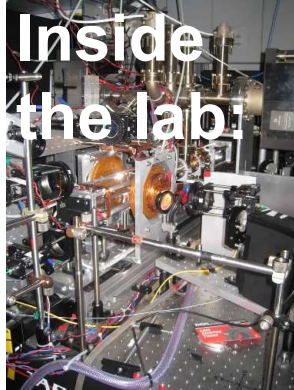
- base temperature 10 mK
- 400  $\mu$ W cooling power

### Conclusion:

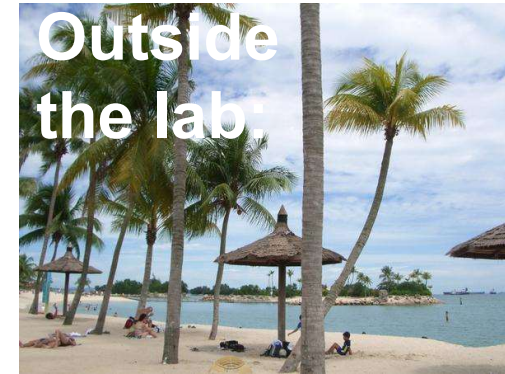
Superconducting atom chips promise to solve the problems low lifetimes/decoherence near the chip surface.

Type-II superconductors offer unique ways to produce Novel complex magnetic trap structures.

Trapping atoms near superconductors gives a natural way of coupling and probing the two systems with each other.



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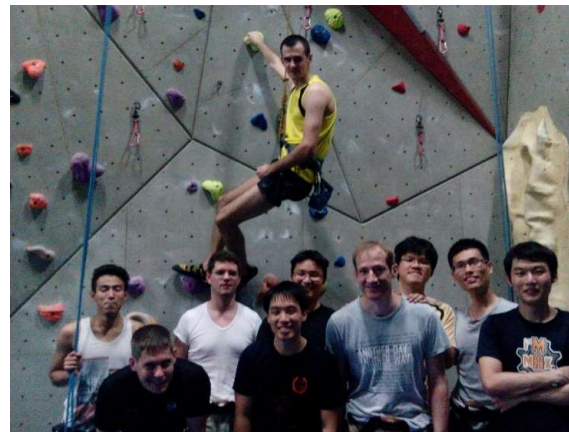
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