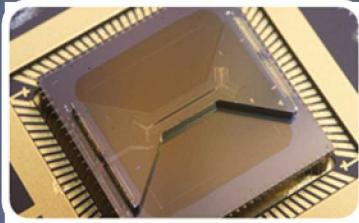


Surface ion traps for quantum computing

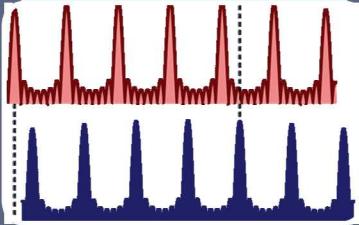
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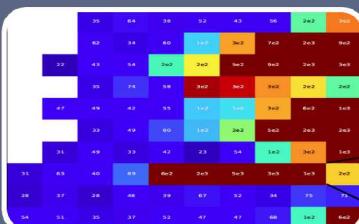
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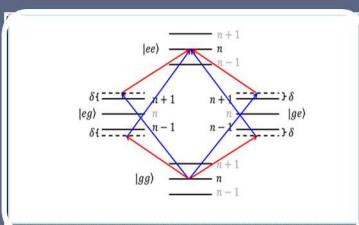
Ion trapology



Classical characterization

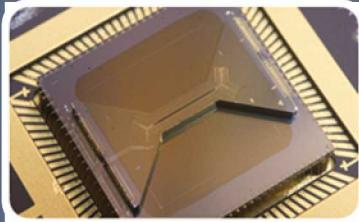


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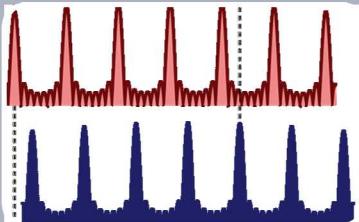


Specialized devices and Future directions

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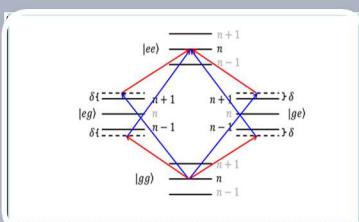
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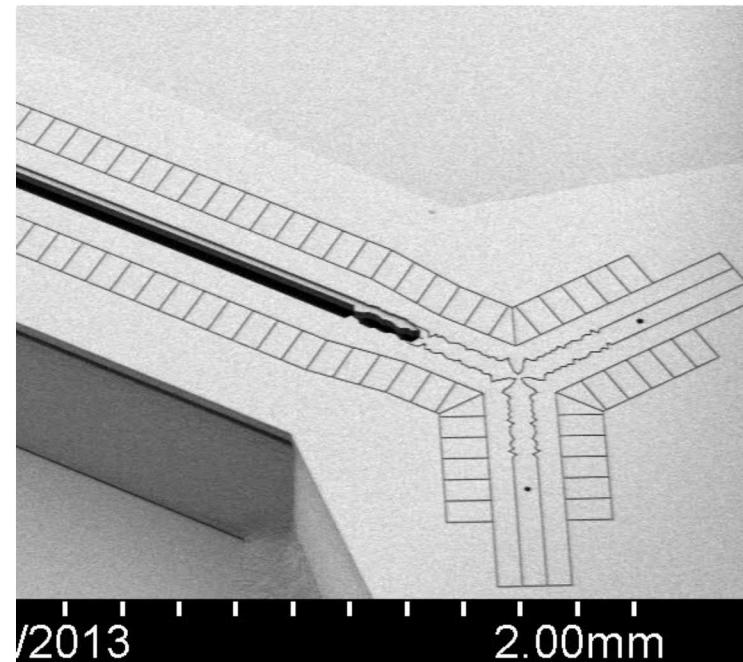
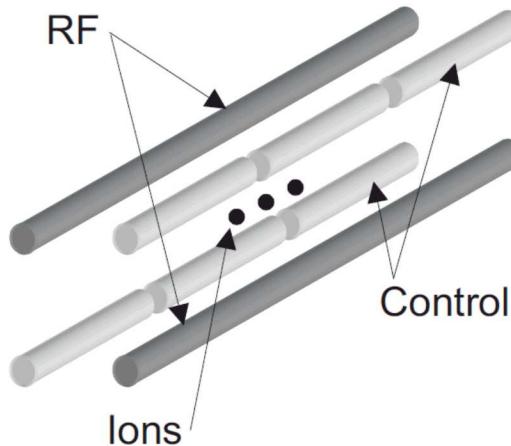
Advantages/Challenges vs 3D

Advantages

- More manufacturable (“scalable”)
- Consistent geometry -> consistent behavior
- Greater field control (more electrodes)
- 2D geometry
- Integration of other technologies (waveguides, detectors, filters...)
- Laser access

Challenges

- Low depth (ion lifetime), anharmonicities in potential
- Proximity to surface (charging, heating)
- Delicate (dust, voltage)
- Capacitance



Capabilities & Requirements

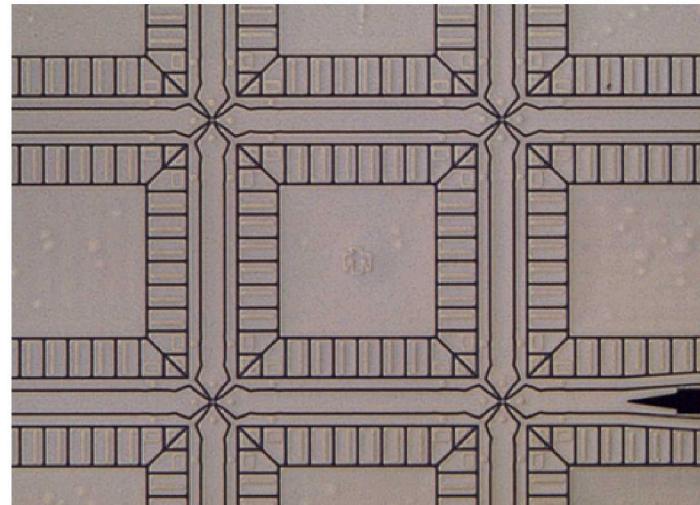
Essential capabilities

- Store ions for long periods of time (hours)
- Move ions to achieve 2D connectivity
- Support high fidelity operations
- Uniform performance

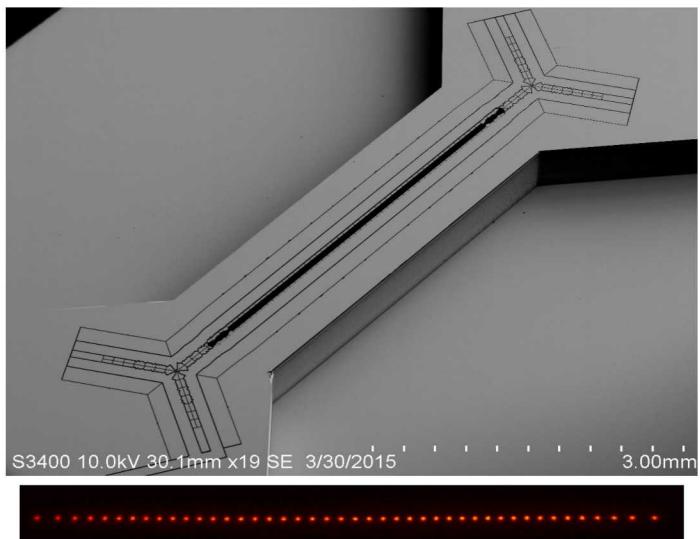
Derived requirements

- Voltage breakdown >300 V @ ~ 50 MHz
- Backside loading hole
- Multi-level lead routing for accessing interior electrodes
- Standardization [lithographically defined electrodes]
- Overhung electrodes
- High optical access [high NA delivery and collection optics]

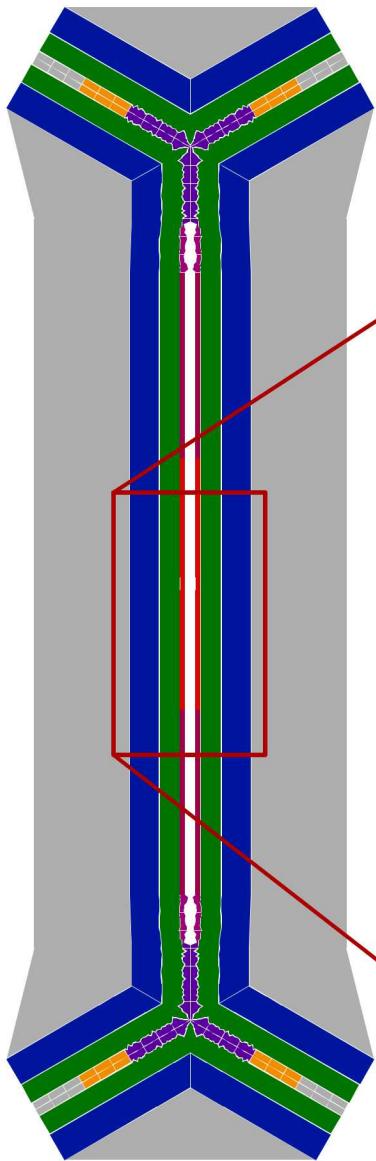
Quantum CCD



MUSIQC architecture



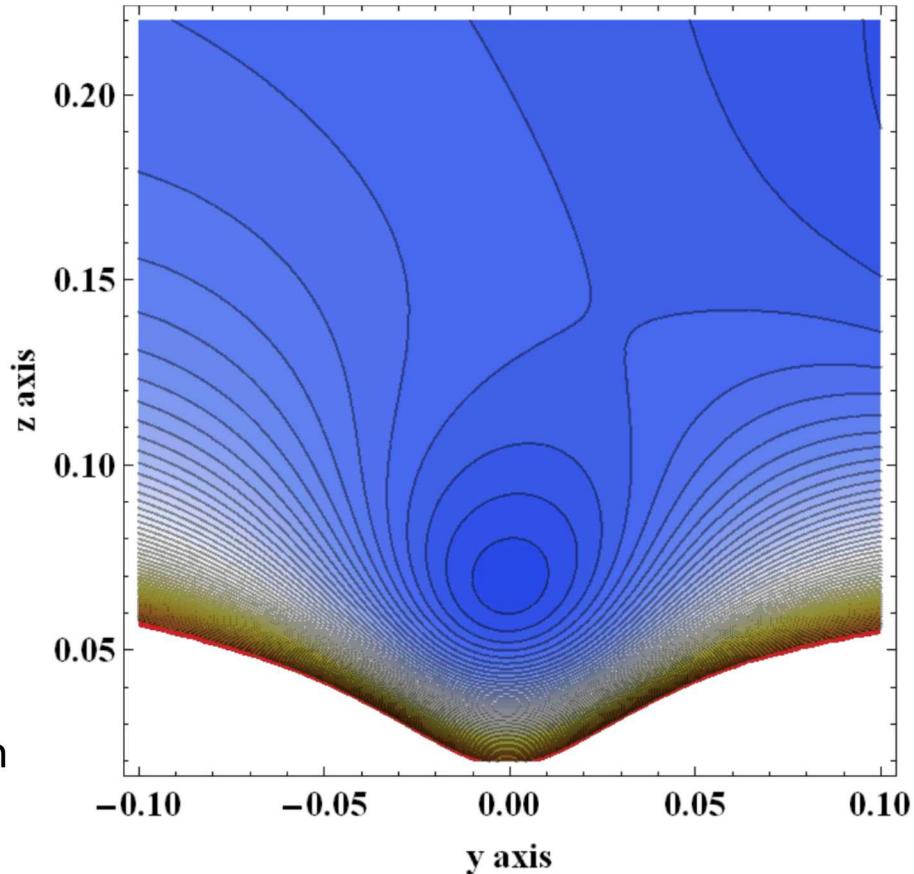
Voltage application



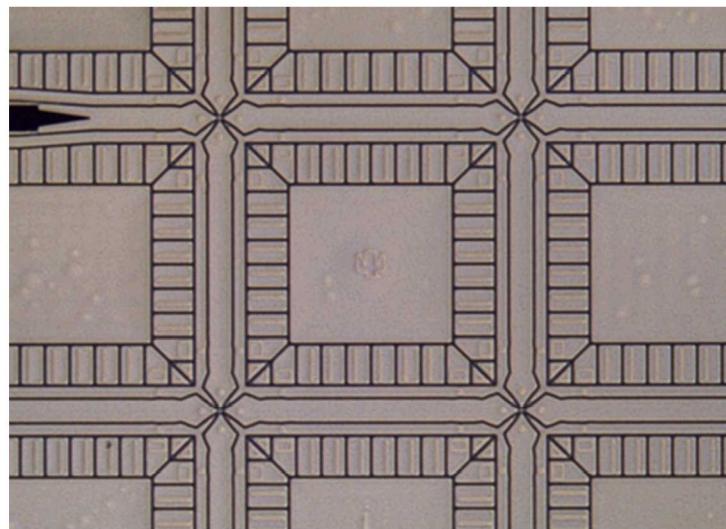
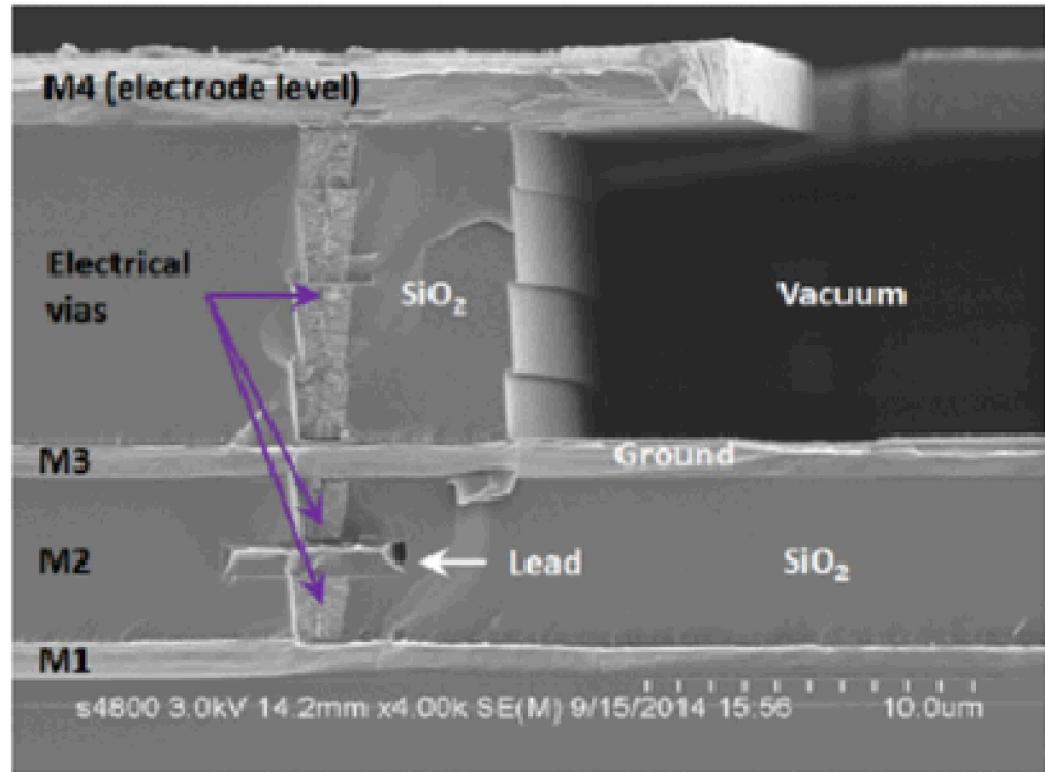
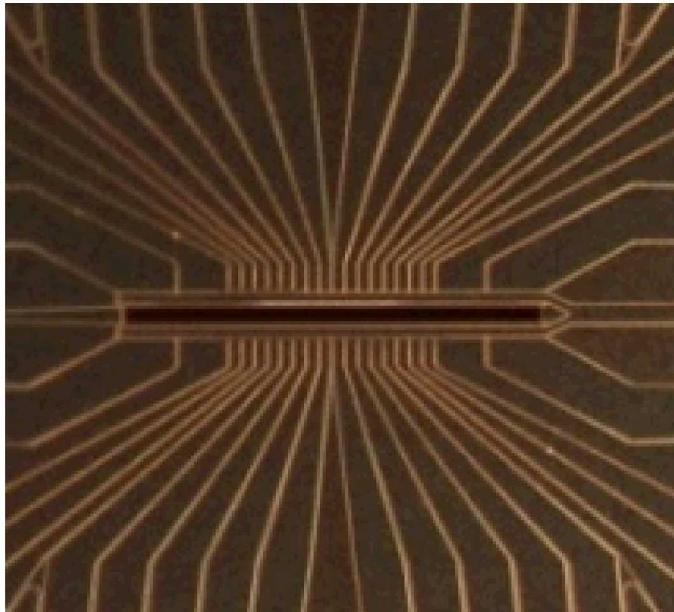
Trapping potential

- Axial frequency: 500 kHz [< 5 V]
- Radial frequency: 2.8 MHz, 3.1 MHz [250 Vrf @ 40 MHz]

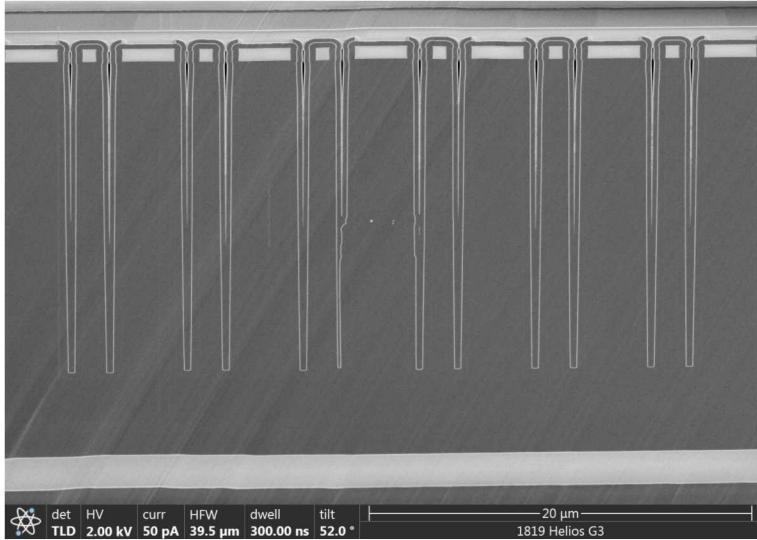
- 70 μ m electrode pitch
- 70 μ m ion height



Multi-layer metallization



Trench capacitors & Loading holes



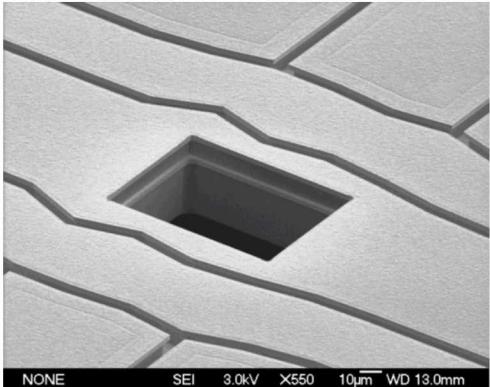
Interposer (current)

- 20V max voltage
- 1nF capacitance

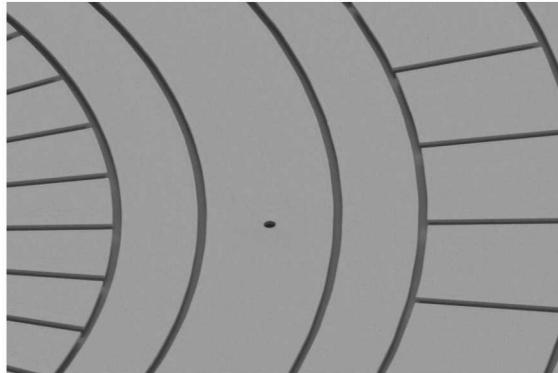
On chip (future)

- 15V max voltage
- 200pF capacitance (but low inductance)
- Up to 200 capacitors can be located within the isthmus

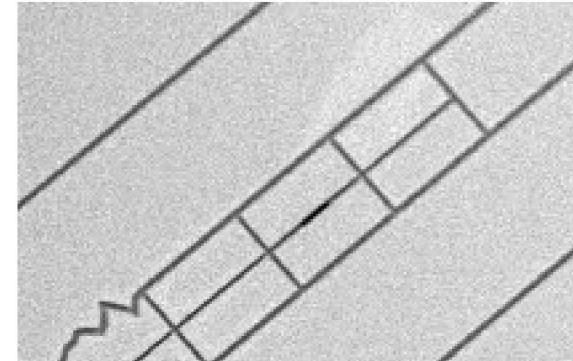
50 μ m \times 80 μ m
modulation necessary



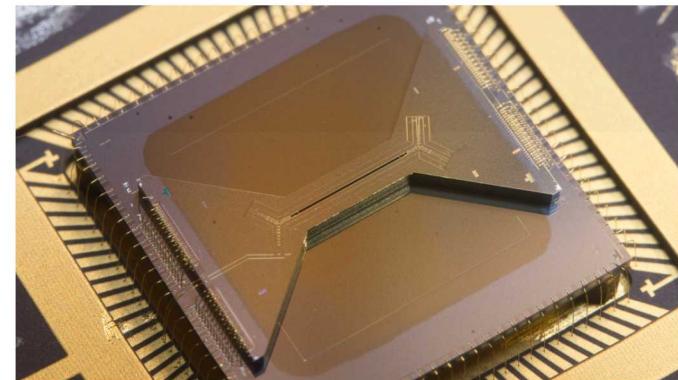
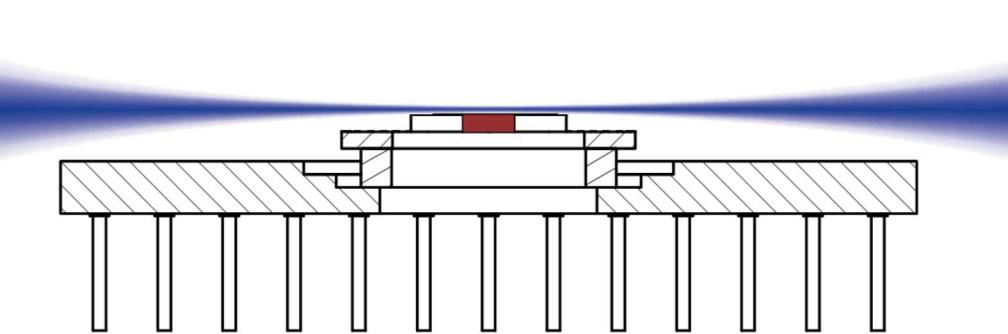
10 μ m hole
still perturbs the field



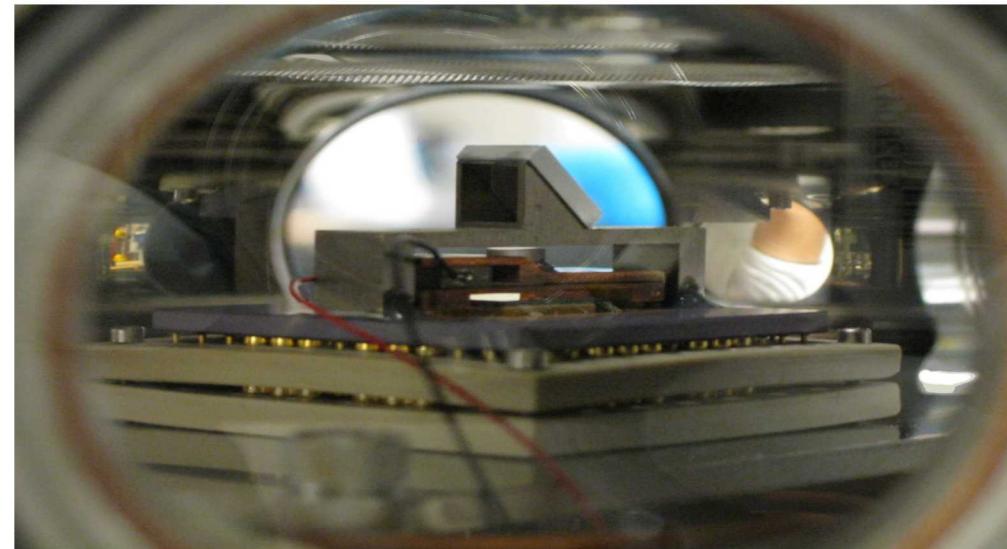
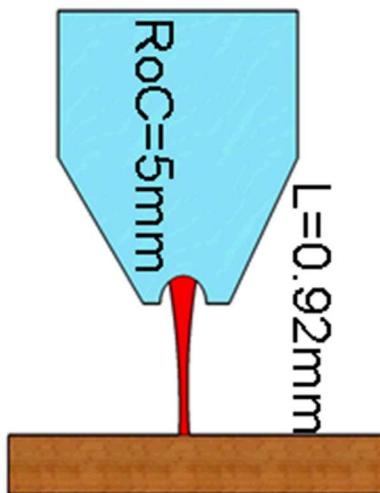
3 μ m \times 20 μ m



Optical access & integrated optics

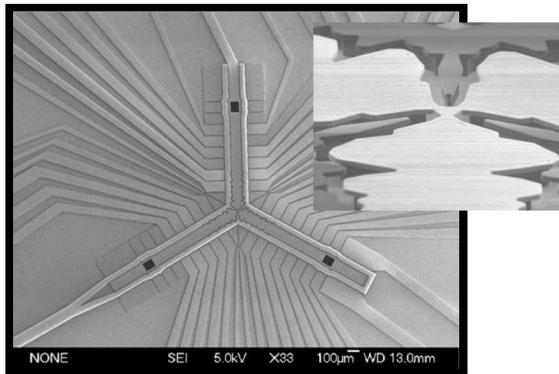


Can accommodate 4/2 μm beam waist (369 nm)

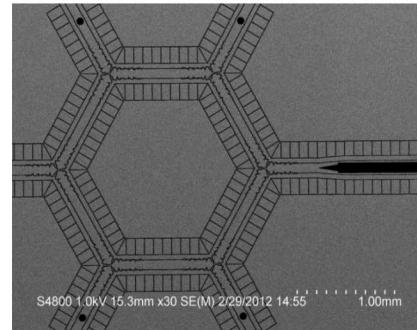


Some of Sandia's Traps

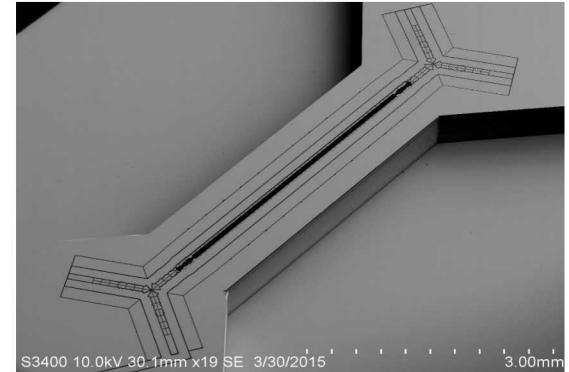
Y-junction traps



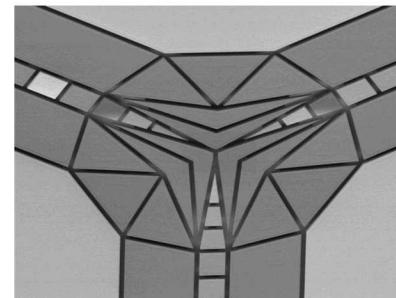
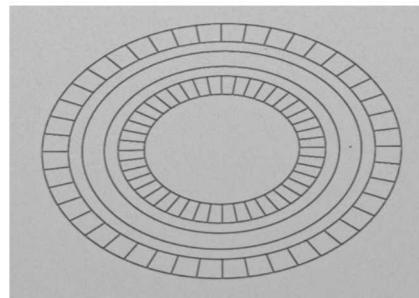
Circulator trap



High Optical Access (HOA) trap

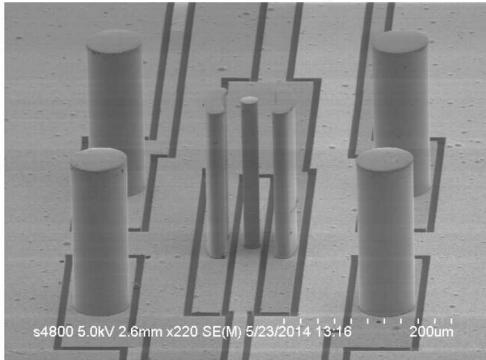


Ring trap:

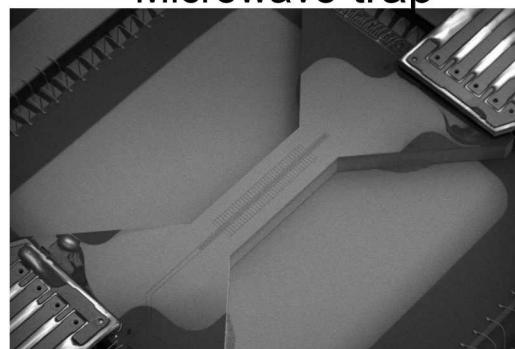


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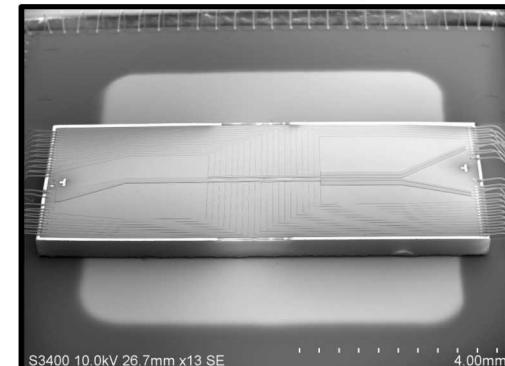
Stylus trap



Microwave trap

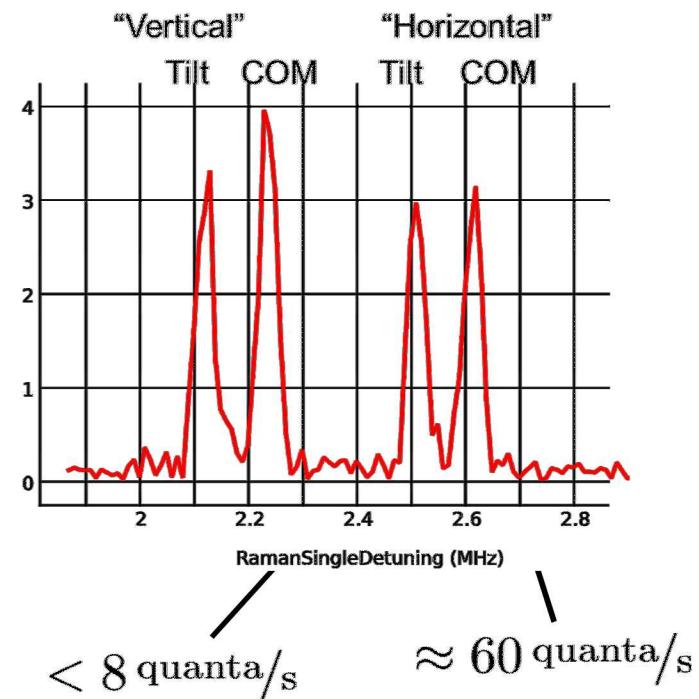
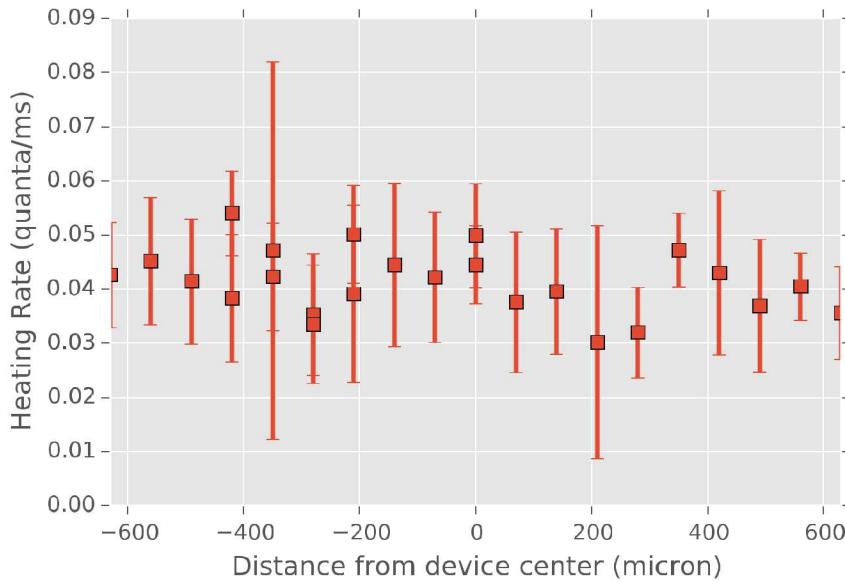
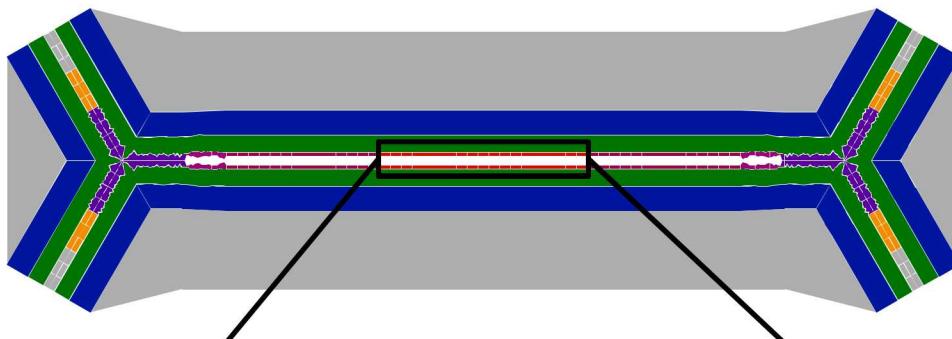


EPICS trap



Classical characterization

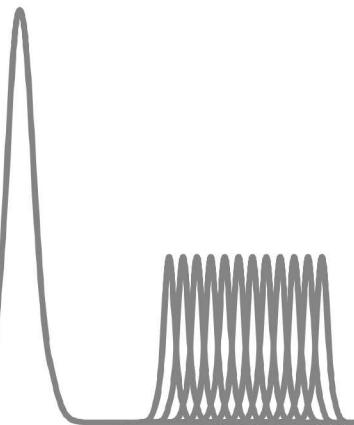
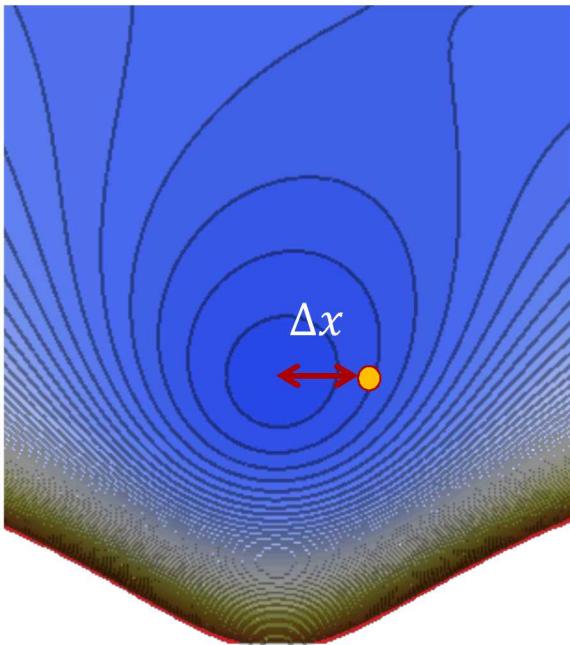
Heating



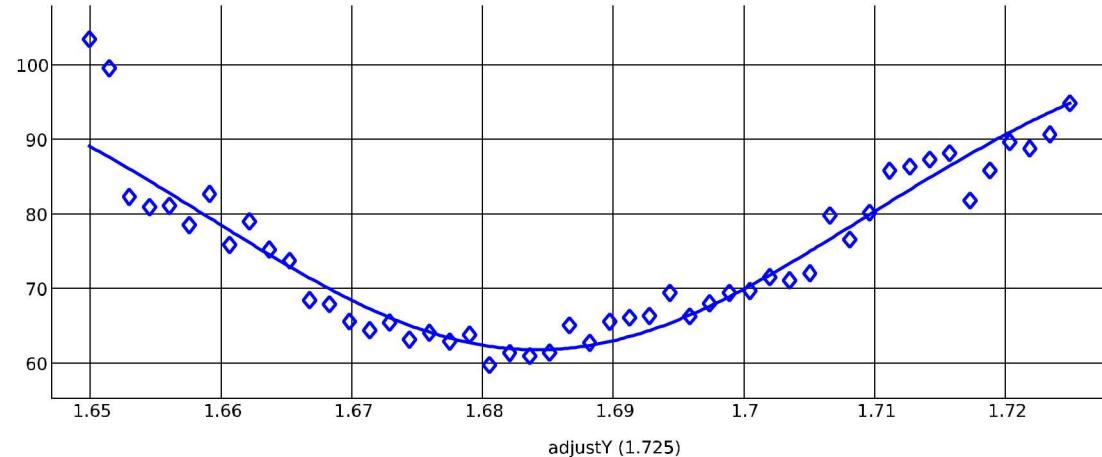
- Heating rate 40 q/s on average, $^{171}\text{Yb}^+$, Trap frequency 2.8 MHz, RF drive at 50 MHz
- Heating rate in HOA-2 is low and uniform along the length of the quantum section

Classical characterization

Background electric field

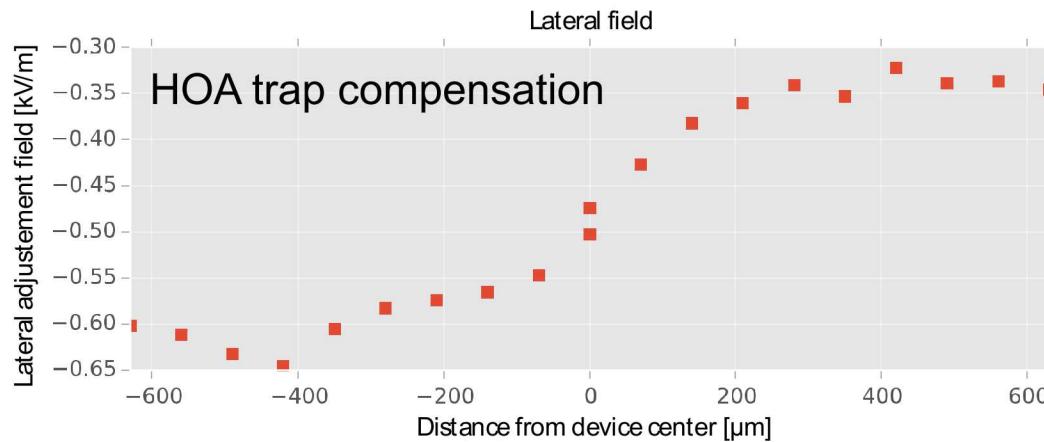


- Goal is to eliminate offset from RF null
- Measure transition strength of Raman beams applied at drive frequency (lateral direction)
- Tickle ion motion with chirped pulses at drive frequency, minimize fluorescence



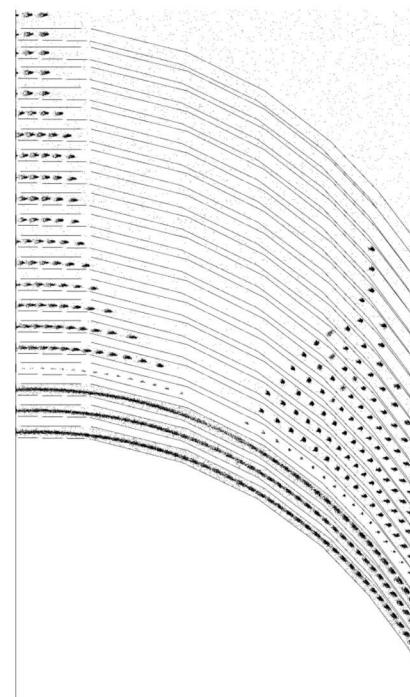
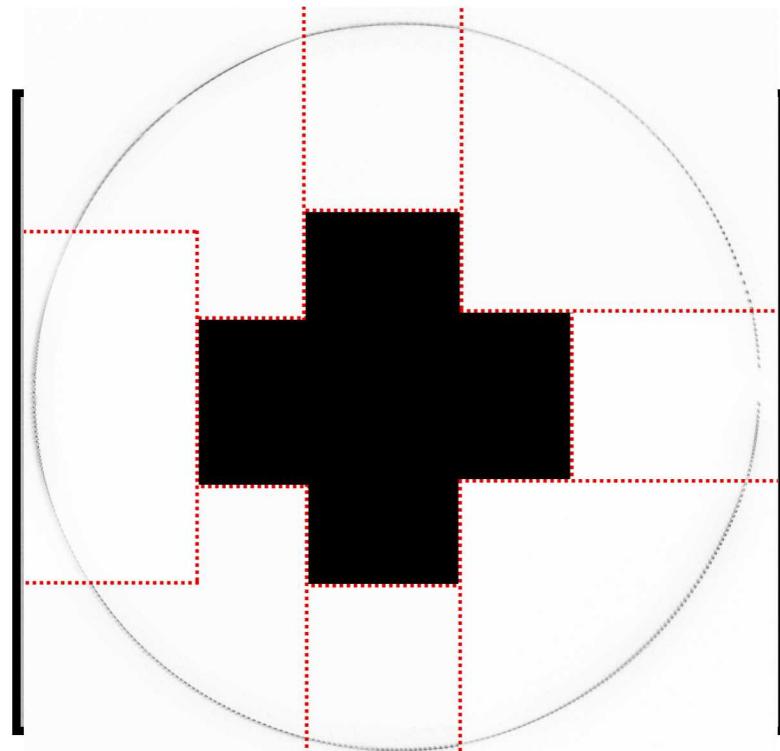
Background electric field

Linear trap



correction
0%

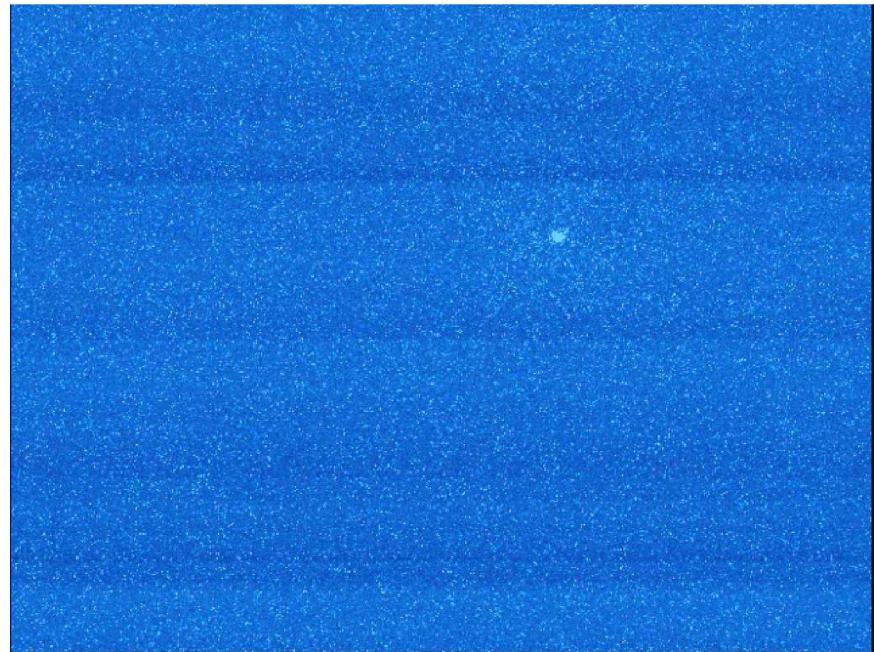
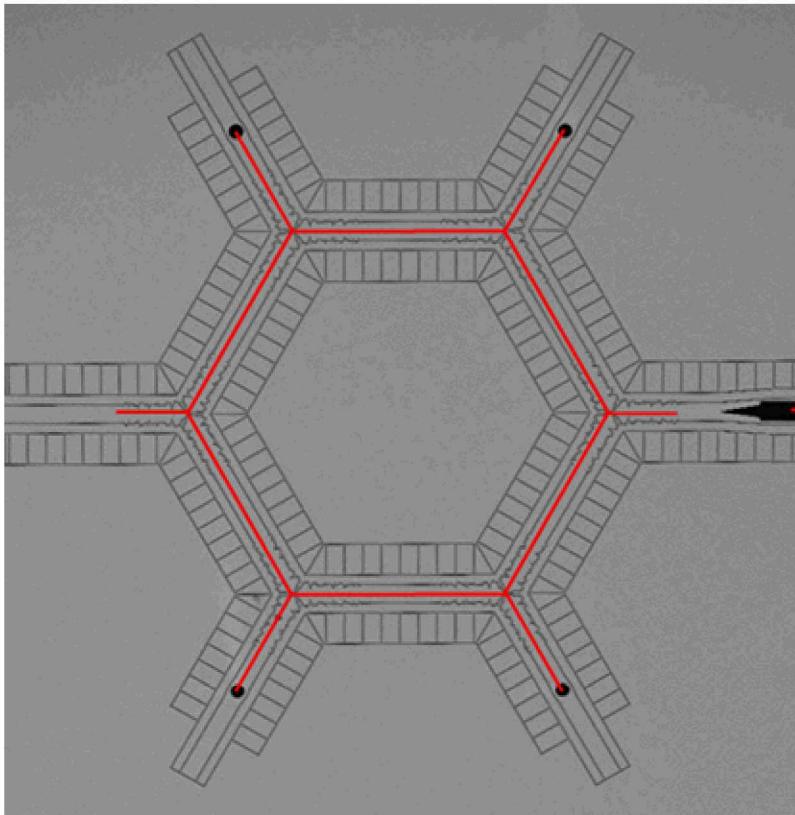
Ring trap



100%

Shuttling and swapping

- Co-wired junction and linear sections, transported ions around device
- Same voltage solution at junctions



Classical characterization Applications

Controlled rotation



Combined rotation and translation

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Separation and merging



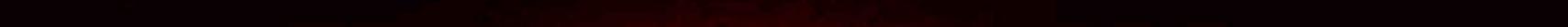
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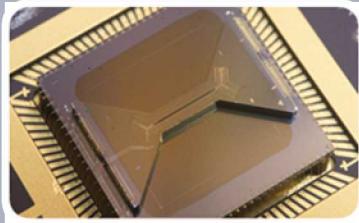
Compression of chains



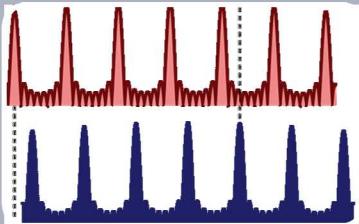
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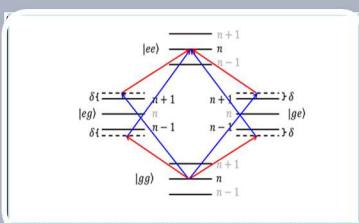
Ion trapology



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Quantum characterization



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Quantum characterization

Single qubit gates

- Process infidelity \approx diamond norm
 - This indicates that we have gotten rid of all systematic errors

Below the threshold for fault-tolerant error correction!

See P. Aliferis and A. W. Cross, Phys. Rev. Lett. 98, 220502 (2007)

- Co-propagating gates have infidelity comparable to microwave gates, but diamond norm indicates some residual control errors
- Counter-propagating gates are noticeably worse, but are necessary for two-qubit gates
- Lower fidelity presumably results from anomalous heating and optical phase sensitivity

Microwave Gates

Gate	Process Infidelity	$1/2 \diamond$ -Norm
G_I	$6.9(6) \times 10^{-5}$	$7.9(7) \times 10^{-5}$
G_X	$6.1(7) \times 10^{-5}$	$7.0(15) \times 10^{-5}$
G_Y	$7.2(7) \times 10^{-5}$	$8.1(15) \times 10^{-5}$

Laser Gates

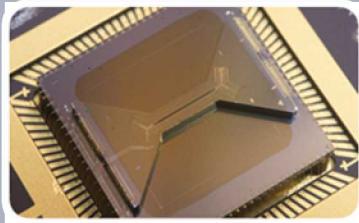
co-propagating

Gate	Process Infidelity	$1/2 \diamond$ -Norm
G_I	$1.17(7) \times 10^{-4}$	$5.3(2) \times 10^{-4}$
G_X	$5.0(7) \times 10^{-5}$	$3(6) \times 10^{-4}$
G_Y	$6.9(6) \times 10^{-5}$	$4(9) \times 10^{-4}$

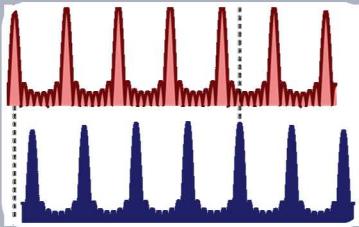
counter-propagating

Gate	Process Infidelity	$1/2 \diamond$ -Norm
G_I	$11.1(6) \times 10^{-4}$	$22.8(1) \times 10^{-4}$
G_X	$4.0(4) \times 10^{-4}$	$13.2(6) \times 10^{-4}$
G_Y	$4.1(4) \times 10^{-4}$	$8.4(8) \times 10^{-4}$

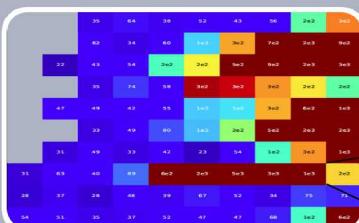
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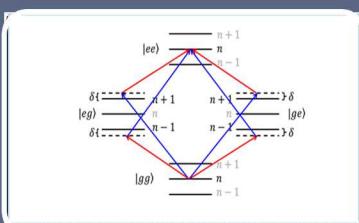
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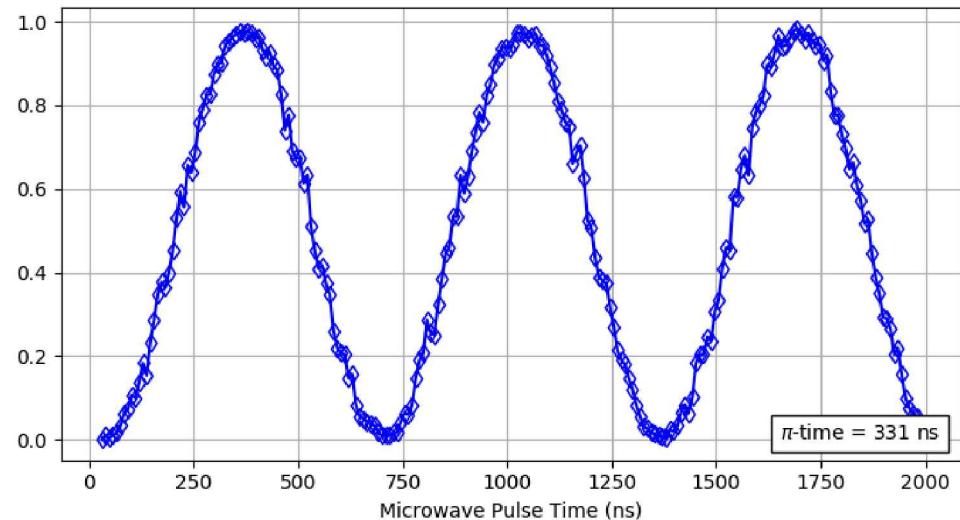
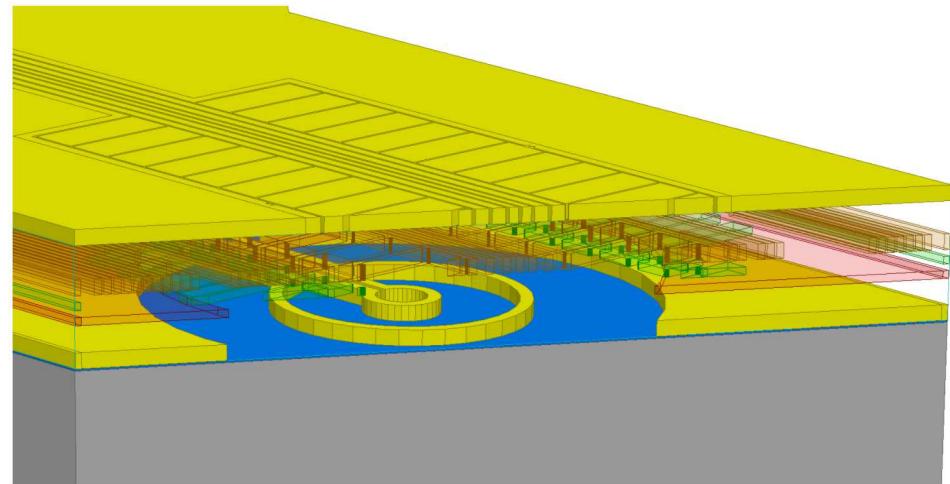
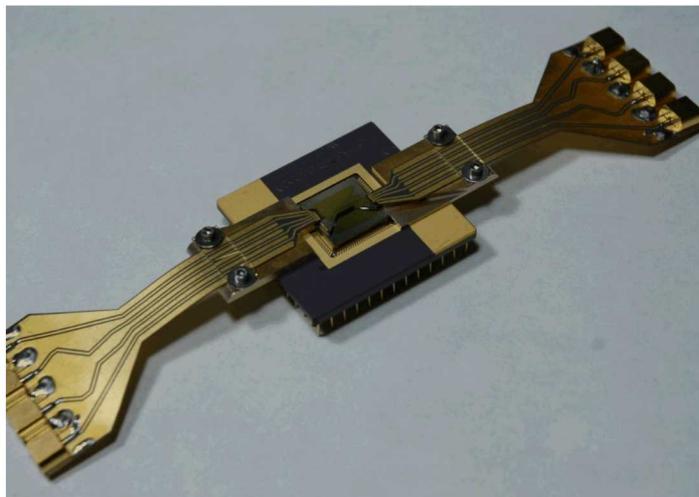
Microwave trap

Benefits:

- Microwave radiation is easier to control and cheaper to implement than lasers
- Low power for Rabi oscillations (330 ns for -2 dB at device)
- Near field allows to generate microwave gradient fields

Challenges:

- Microwave delivery (-17 dB loss chamber to dev)
- Dissipation, heating, thermal management



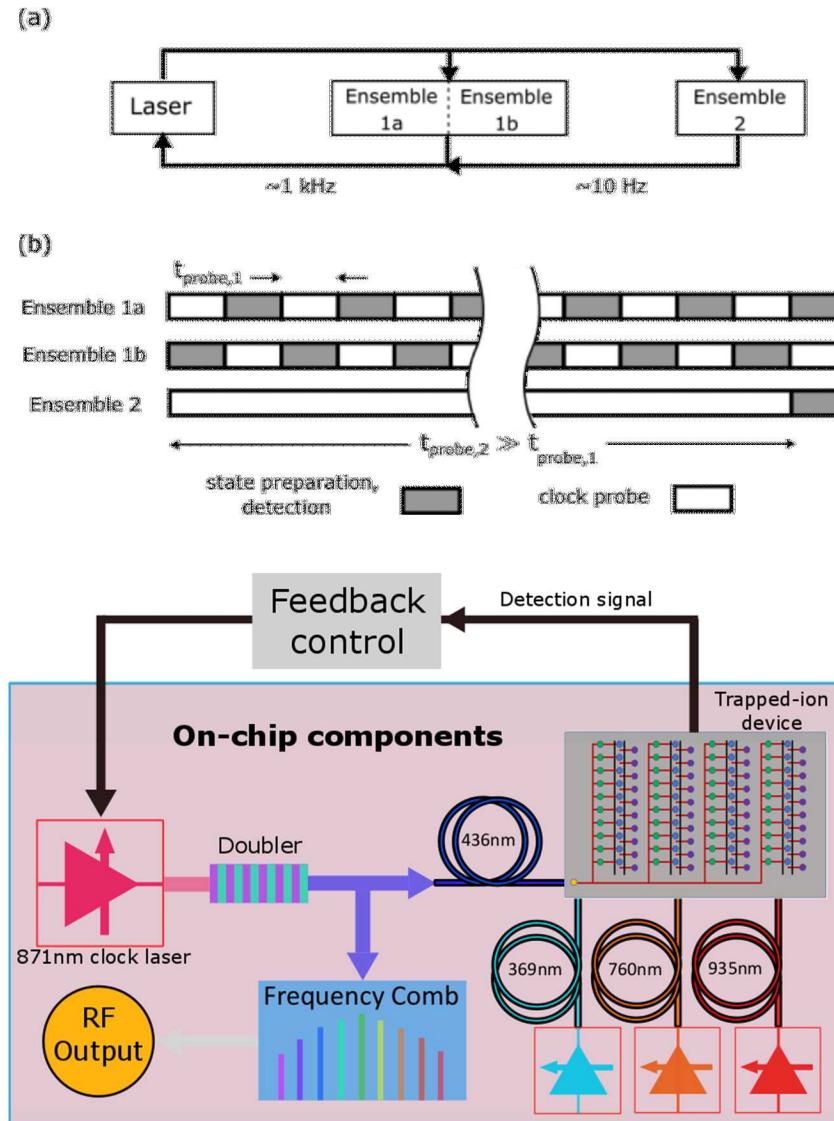
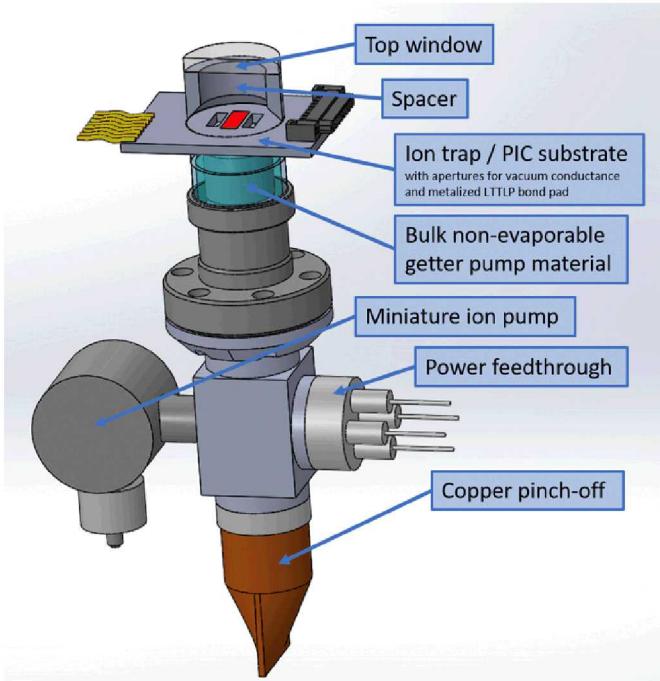
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TICTOC optical clock

An atomic-photonic integrated clock to achieve

$$\sigma_y < 1 \times 10^{-14} / \tau^{1/2} \text{ for } 1 \text{ s} < \tau < 100,000 \text{ s}$$

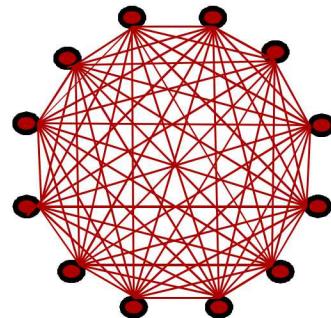
in less than $\frac{1}{2}$ liter



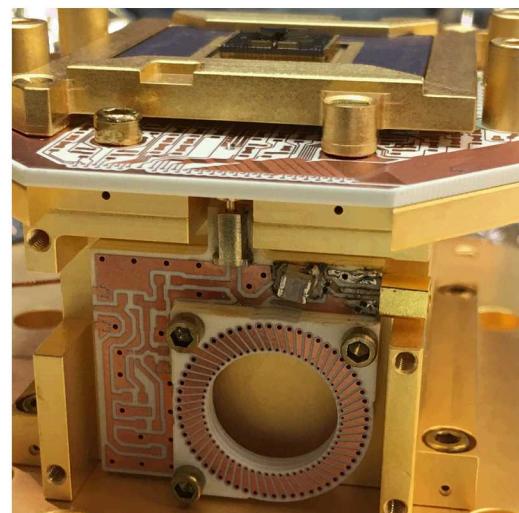
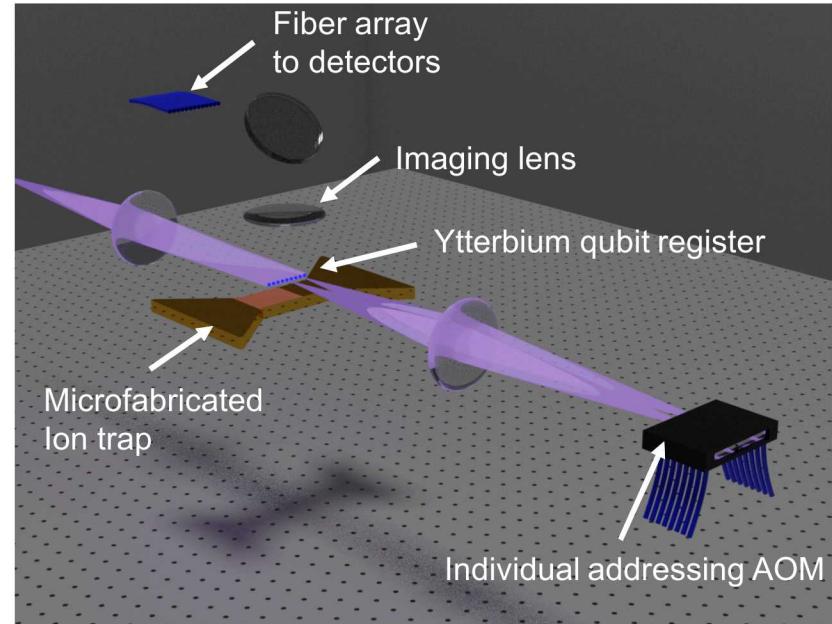
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QSCOUT (QS Open User Testbed)

Trapped Ions:
fully connected



- Single chain of 5 – 15 ytterbium qubits
- Stored in Sandia surface trap
- Individual addressing with 355nm Raman beams
- Full connectivity using radial vibrational modes
- Individual qubit detection via fiber array
- Addressing and detection supports up to 32 qubits



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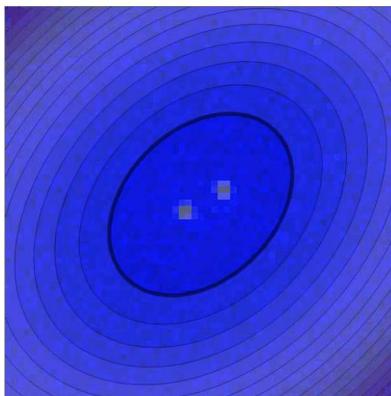
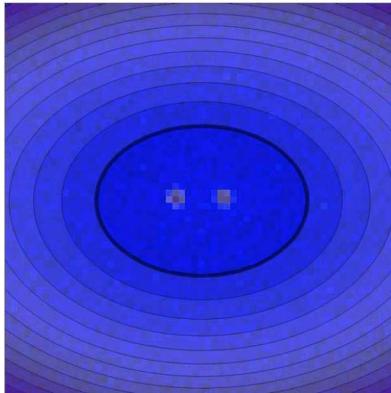


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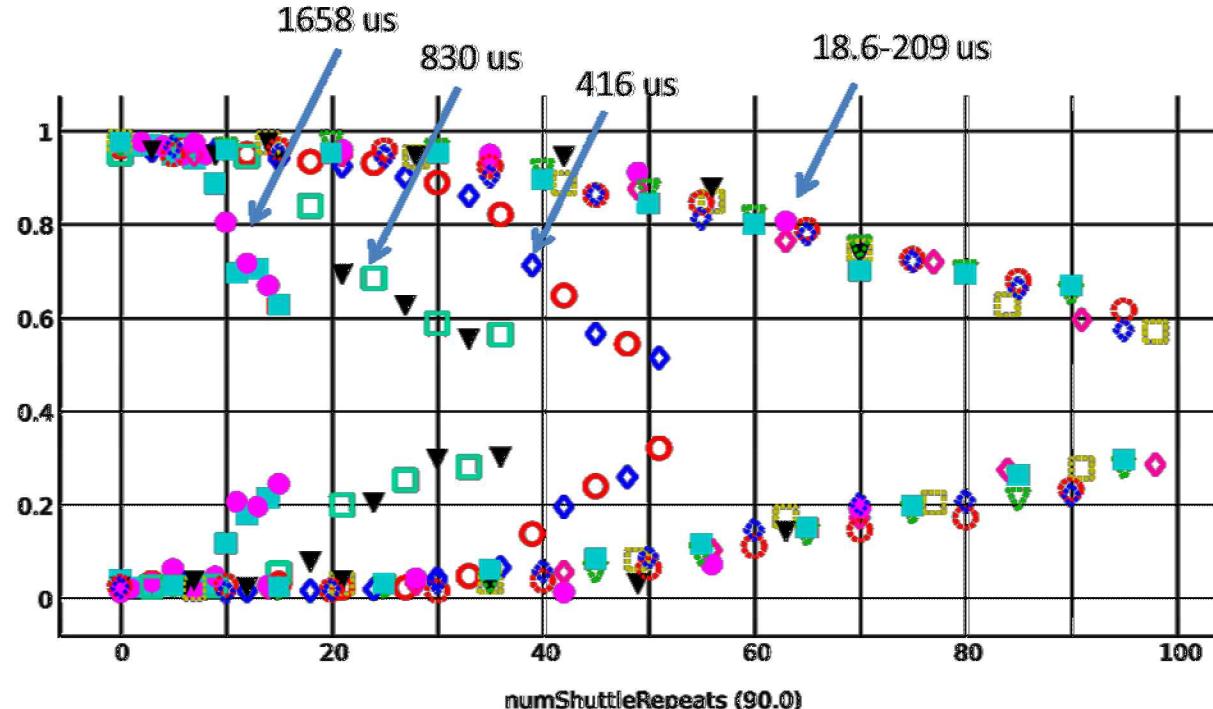


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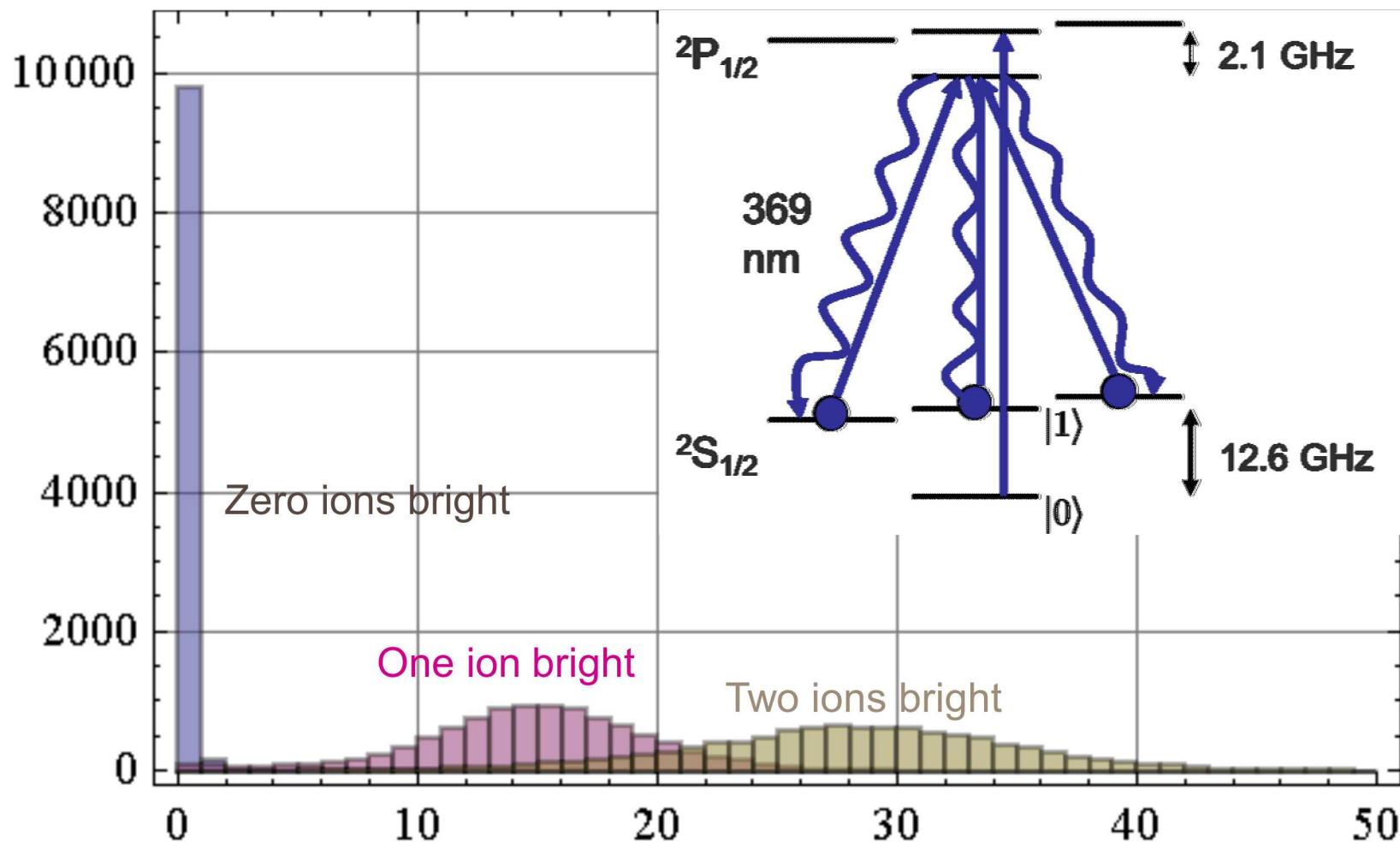
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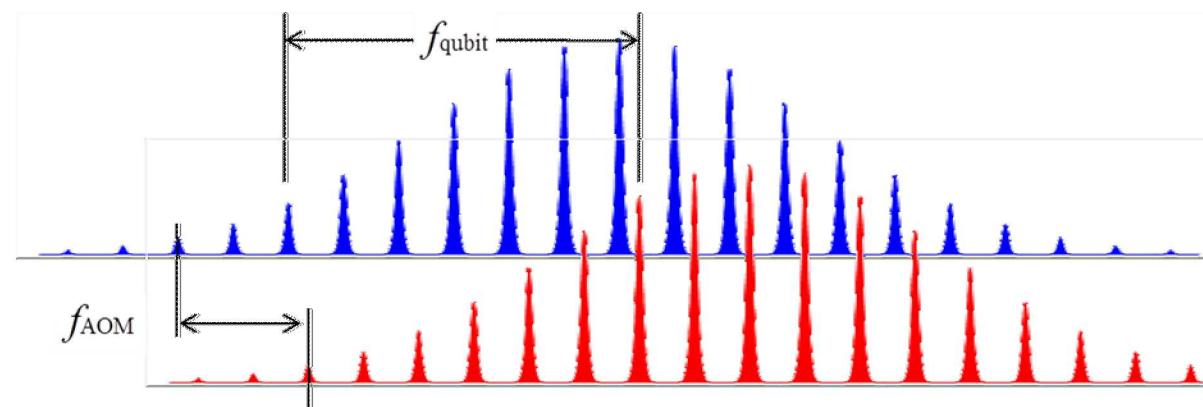
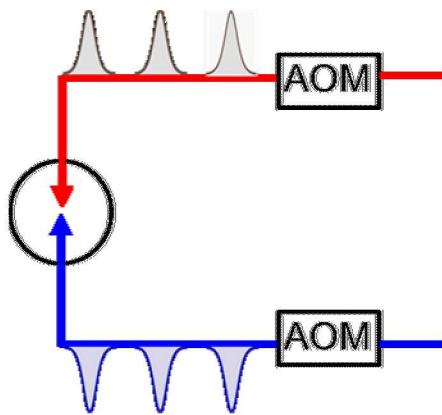
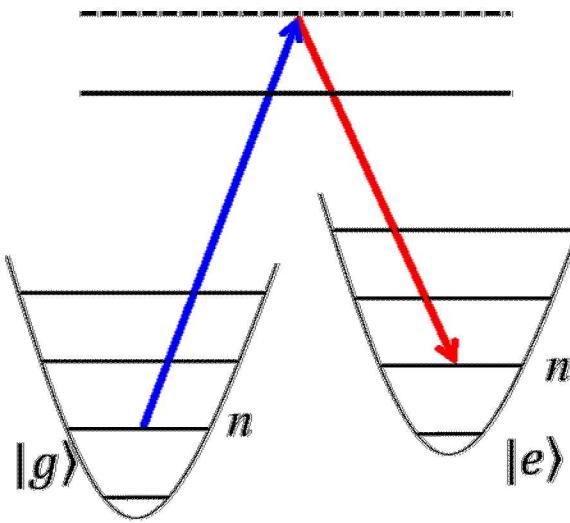
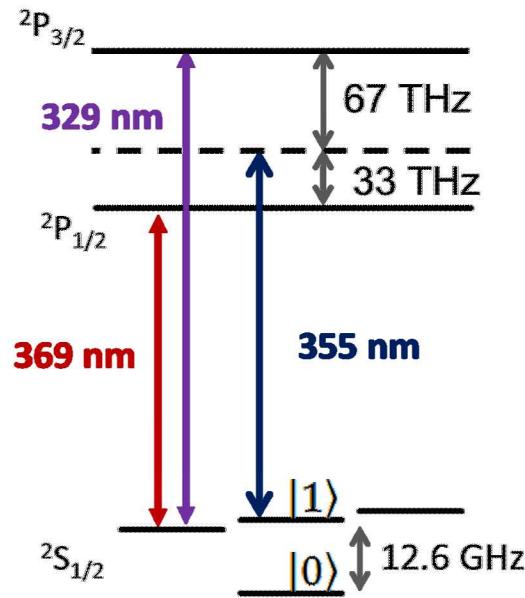
- Tag one ion with BB1 composite pulse
- Measure states on separate PMT's after rotation
 - In addition to declining success probability, fluorescence drops due to motional heating
 - Success probability drops for times <18.6 us



Quantum characterization Ytterbium qubit



Quantum characterization Ytterbium qubit



Gate Set Tomography (GST)

- No calibration required
- Detailed debug information
- Efficiently measures performance characterizing fault-tolerance (diamond norm)
- Amplifies errors
- Detects non-Markovian noise
- Robin Blume-Kohout, SNL

Desired “target” gates:

G_i Idle (Identity)

G_x $\pi/2$ rotation about x -axis

G_y $\pi/2$ rotation about y -axis

Fiducials:

$\{\}$

G_x

G_y

$G_x \cdot G_x$

$G_x \cdot G_x \cdot G_x$

$G_y \cdot G_y \cdot G_y$

Germs:

G_x

G_y

G_i

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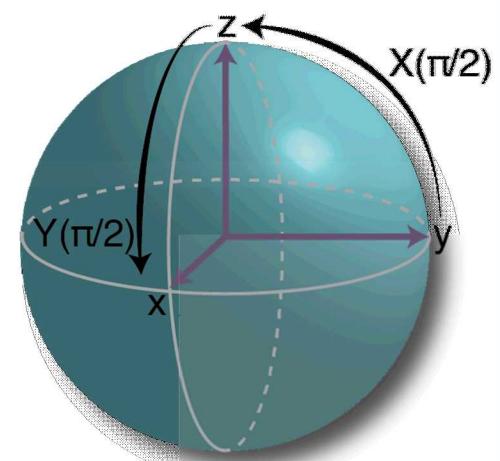
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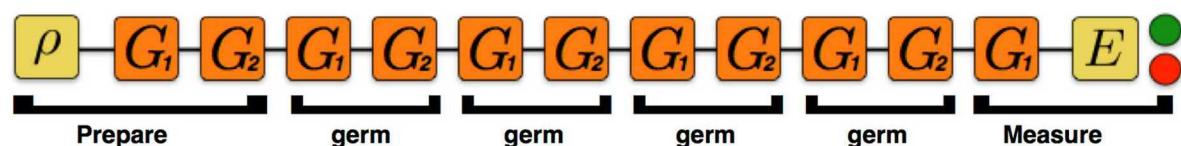
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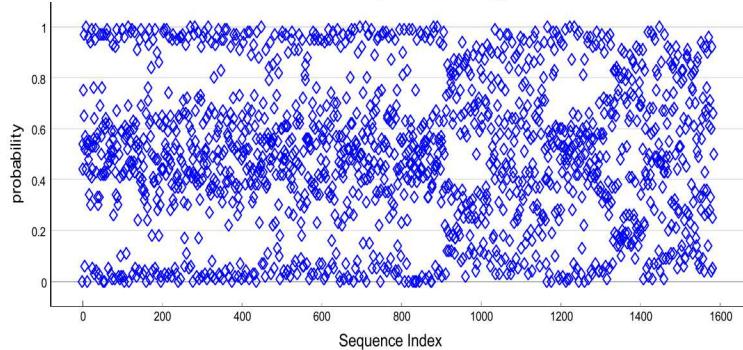


Single qubit BB1 compensated microwave gates on $^{171}\text{Yb}^+$

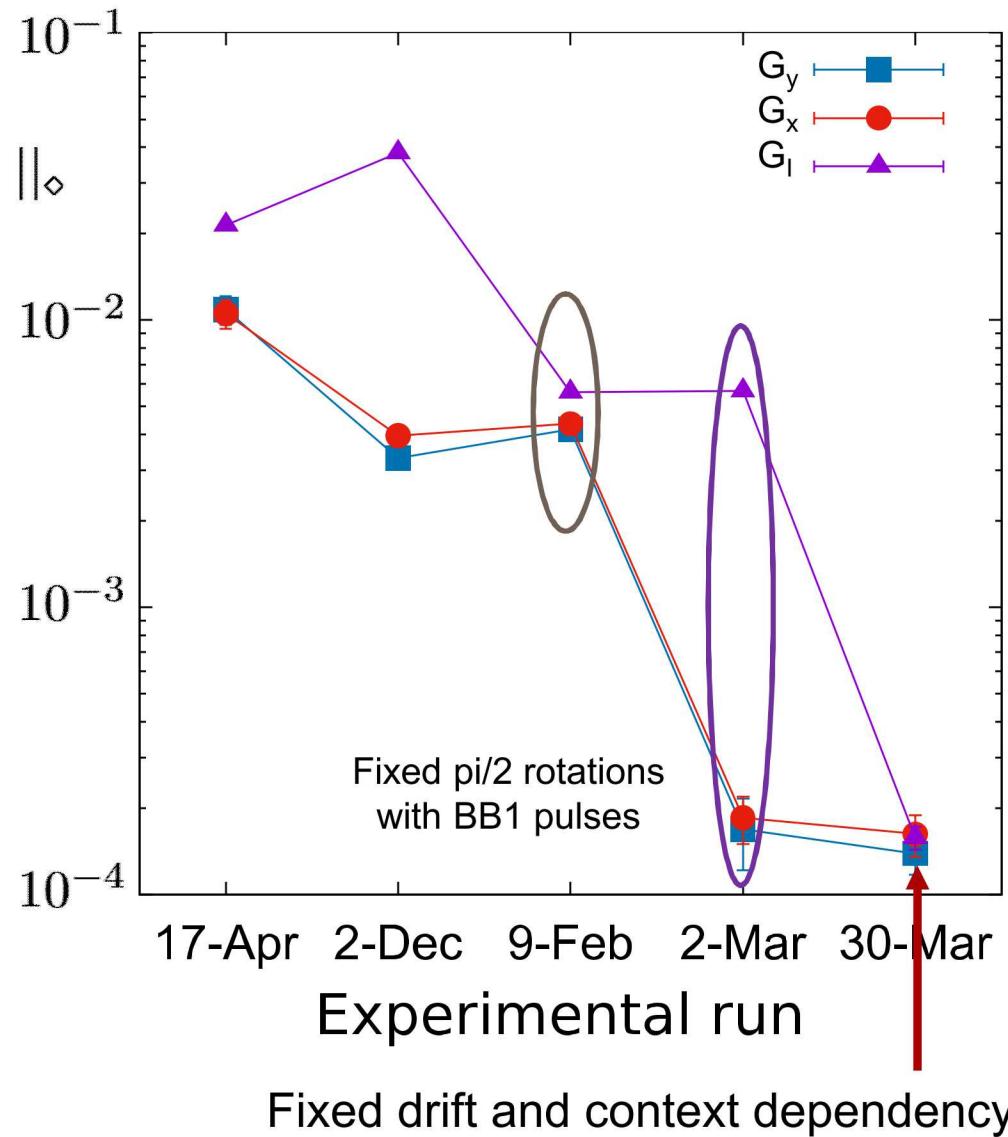
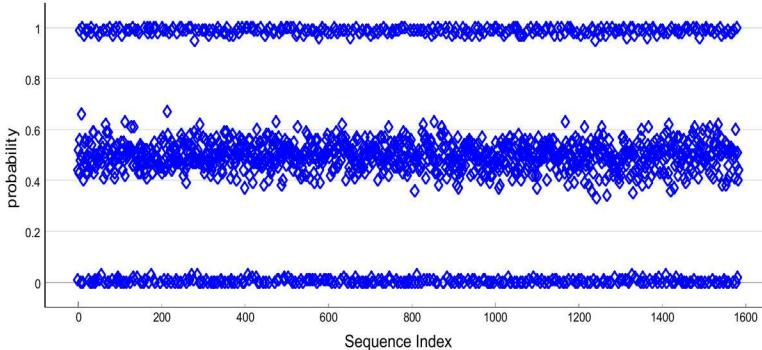


Quantum characterization Microwave gates

Raw data poor gates



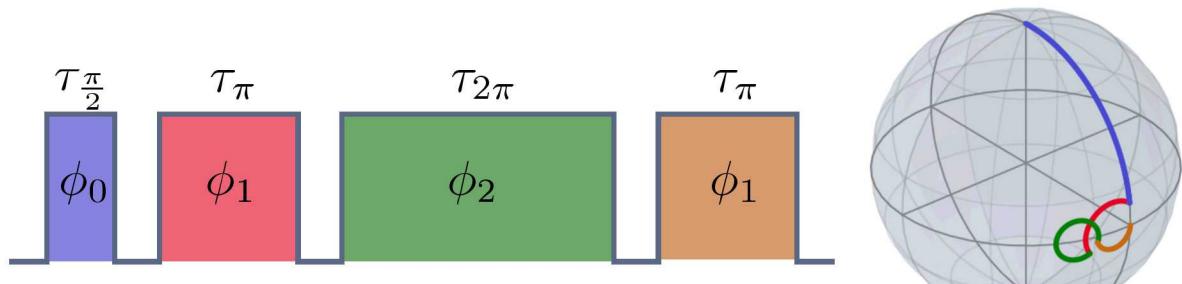
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Quantum characterization Error mitigation

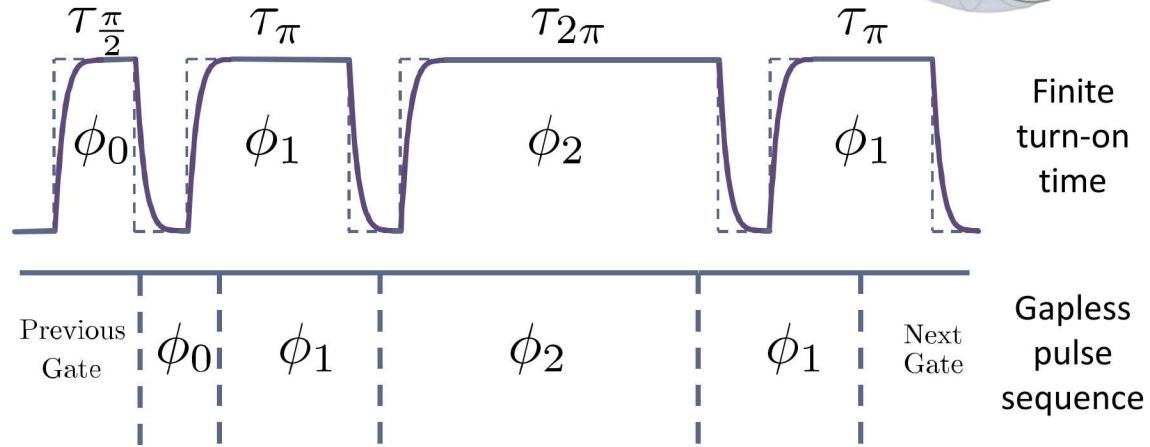
Compensated Pulses

- BB1-type dynamical-decoupling pulses used
- Corrects pulse-length errors



“Gapless” Pulses

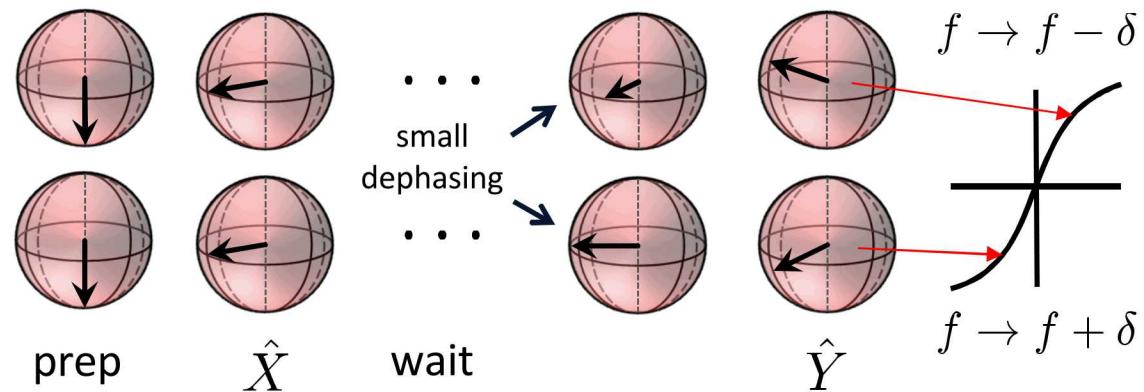
- Phase changed discontinuously on DDS
- Avoids finite turn-on time effects
- Removes errors caused by asynchronous pulse arrival
- Allows for continuous power stabilization



Drift Control

(Drive Frequency)

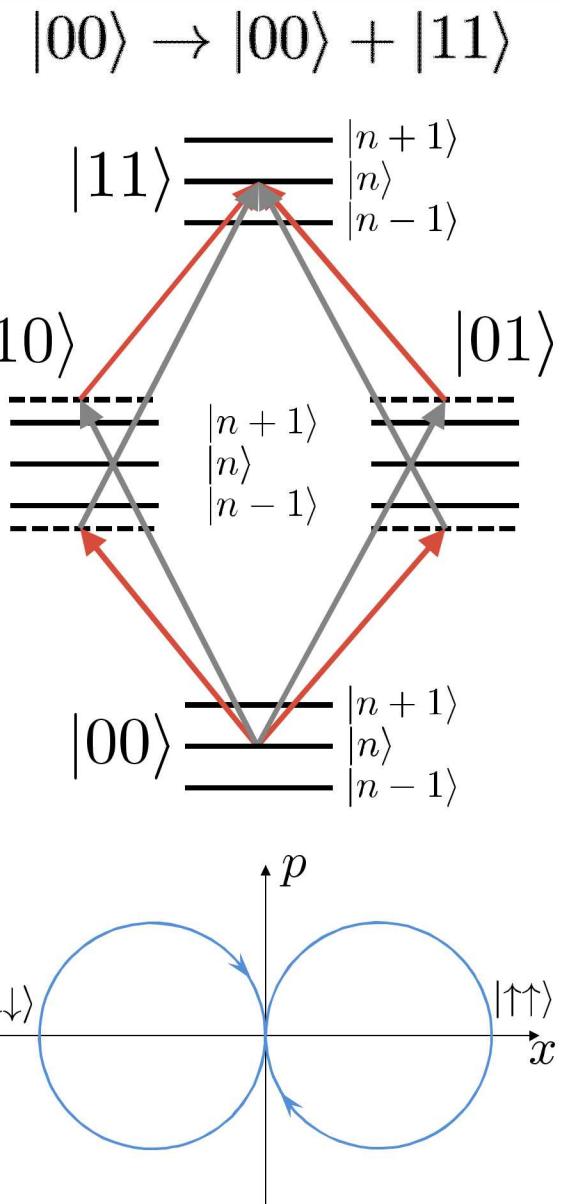
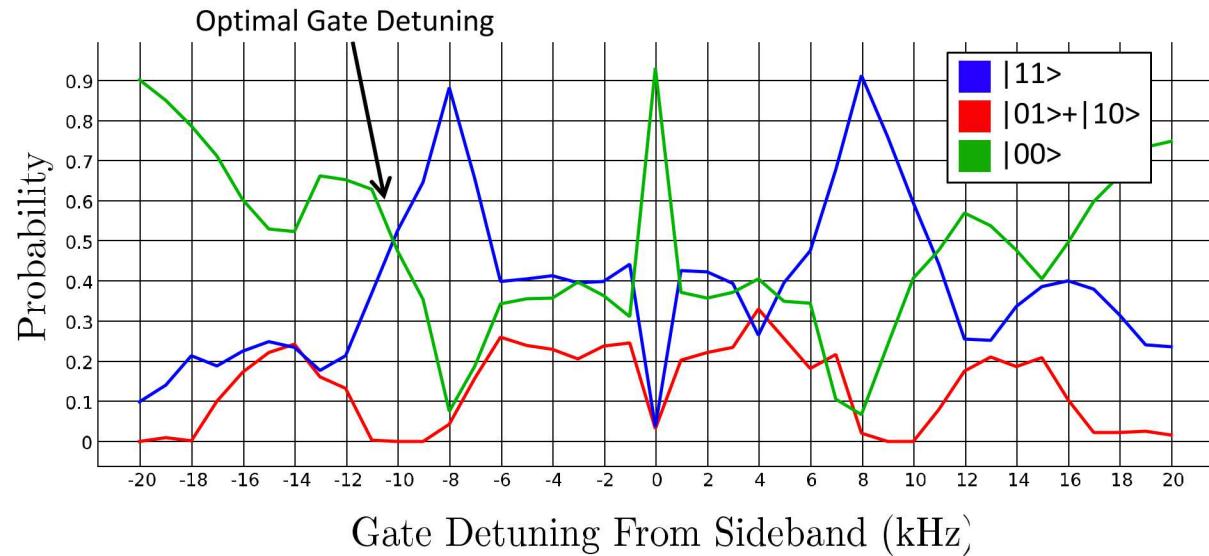
- Single-shot calibrations increase or decrease a control parameter by a negligible value
- Small corrections either average out or slowly accumulate



Quantum characterization

Two qubit gates

- Bichromatic entangling “Mølmer-Sørensen” gate
- Gate time and detuning from motional sidebands is set so that population in motionally (de-)excited states is zero corresponding to a closed loop in phase space
- Does not require ground state cooling
- Requires a number of extra calibrations
 - Rabi frequencies of red/blue detuned transitions matched
 - Ions need to be evenly illuminated
 - Phase of beat note needs to be calibrated and stable



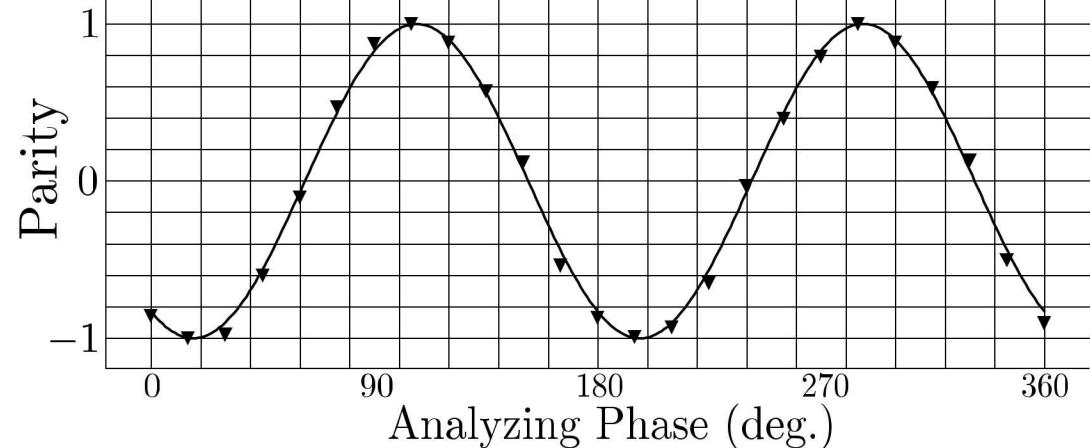
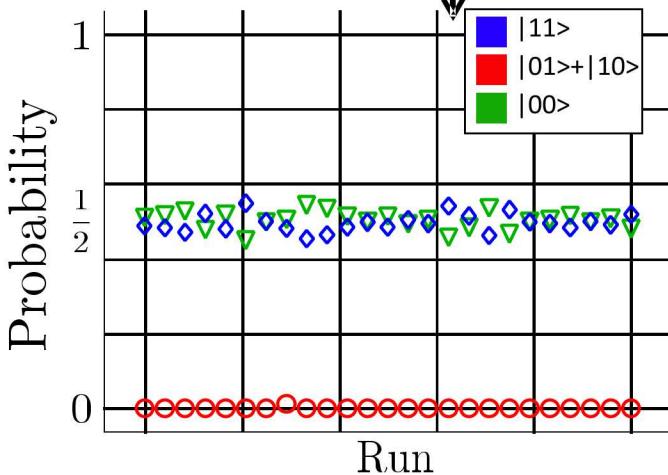
Quantum characterization

Two qubit gates

Typical Approach: Entangled State Fidelity

- Entangled state fidelity determined by

$$\mathcal{F} = \frac{1}{2} (P(|00\rangle) + P(|11\rangle)) + \frac{1}{4}c$$



- Repeated application of gate
- Measure average population of entangled state
- Apply gate followed by analyzing pulse of varying phase
- Measure the resulting contrast

Quantum characterization

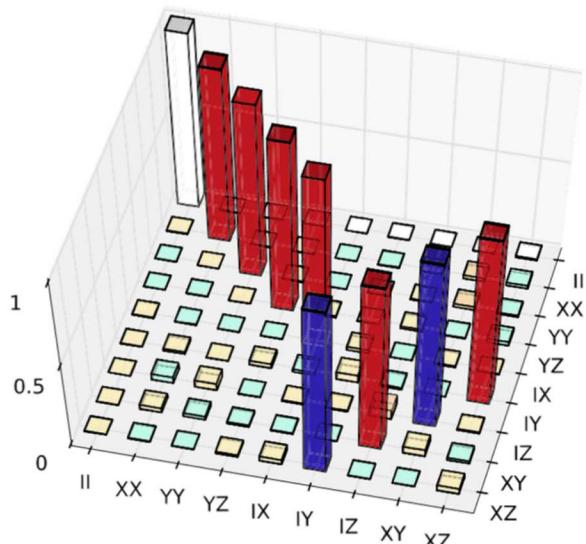
Two qubit gates

Typical Approach: Entangled State Fidelity

$$\mathcal{F} = \frac{1}{2} (P(|00\rangle) + P(|11\rangle)) + \frac{1}{4}c \approx 0.995$$

Two-Qubit GST

- Provides a true *process* fidelity
- Requires an extremely stable gate to take long GST measurements without constant recalibration
- Currently limited to the symmetric subspace



Gate	Process infidelity	$\frac{1}{2}$ Diamond norm
G_I	$1.6 \times 10^{-3} \pm 1.6 \times 10^{-3}$	$28 \times 10^{-3} \pm 7 \times 10^{-3}$
G_{XX}	$0.4 \times 10^{-3} \pm 1.0 \times 10^{-3}$	$27 \times 10^{-3} \pm 5 \times 10^{-3}$
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95% confidence intervals

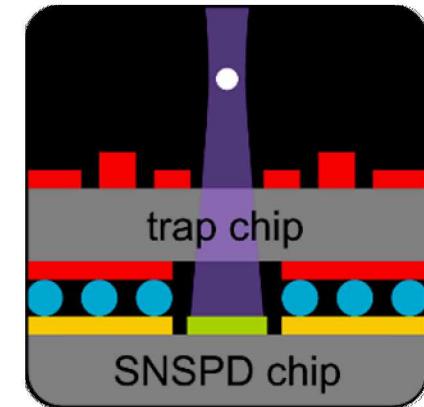
$$F_{MS} = 0.9958(6)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \|G_{MS}\|_{\diamond} = 0.08(1)$$

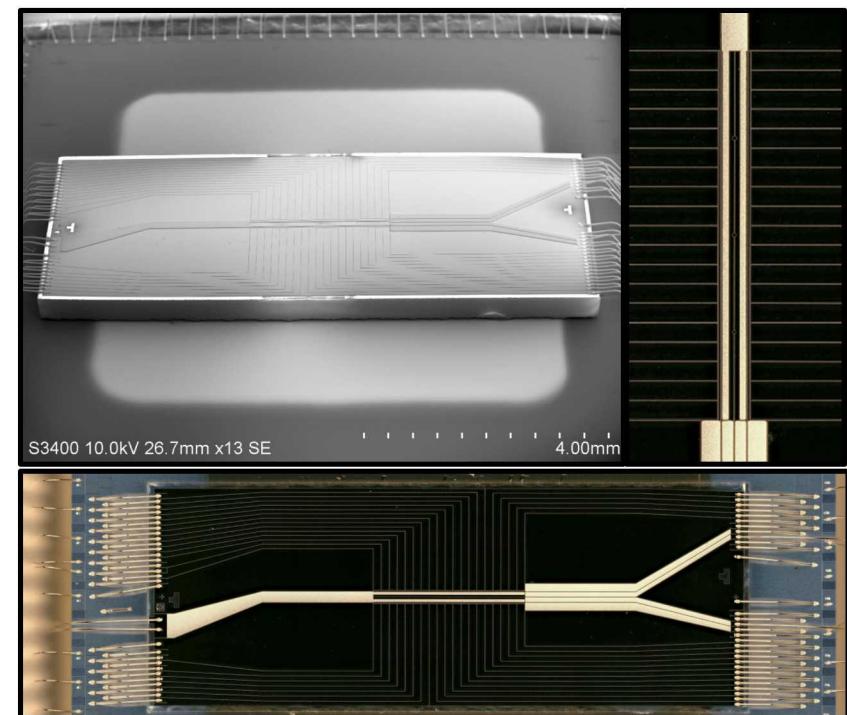
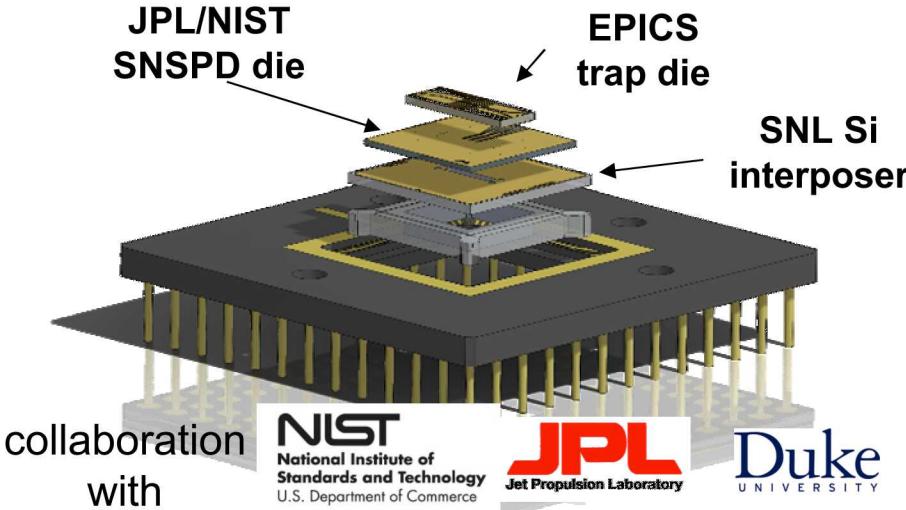
- Much more rigorous characterization
- Gate is stable for several hours

EPICS trap

- Integrated Superconducting Nanowire Single-Photon Detector (SNSPD) detector and reflective backplane
 - Detector developed by JPL/NIST
- SNSPD provides higher photon detection ($>80\%$ vs $<30\%$)
- Cavity-QED provides higher photon collection efficiency
- Strong coupling regime enables qubit measurement via fast cavity transmission
- Extra rf electrodes enable alignment of rf node with cavity modes



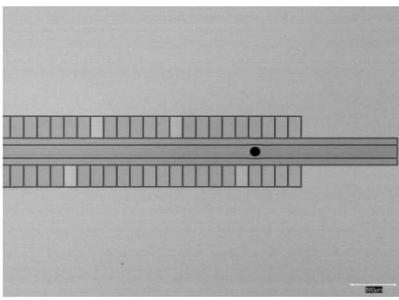
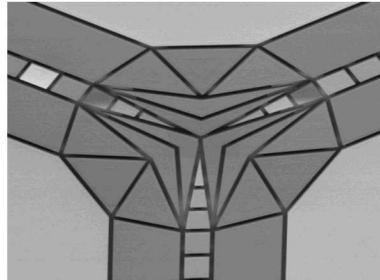
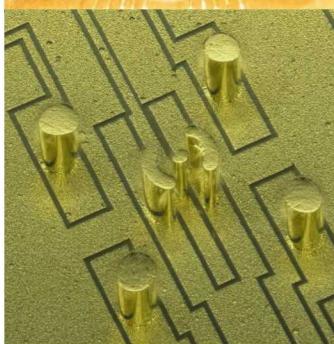
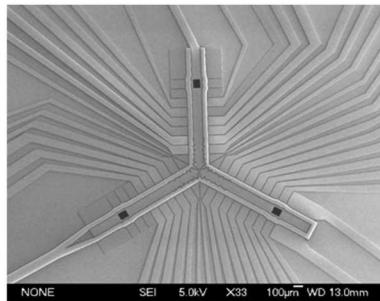
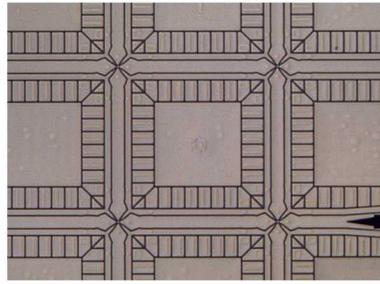
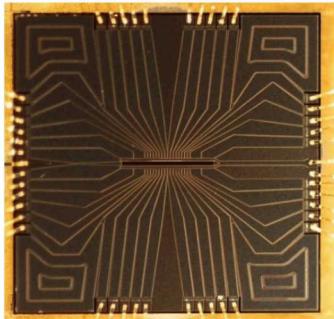
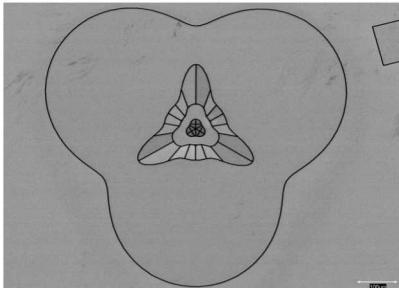
Ion Trap Fabrication (Duke/SNL)



Trap features

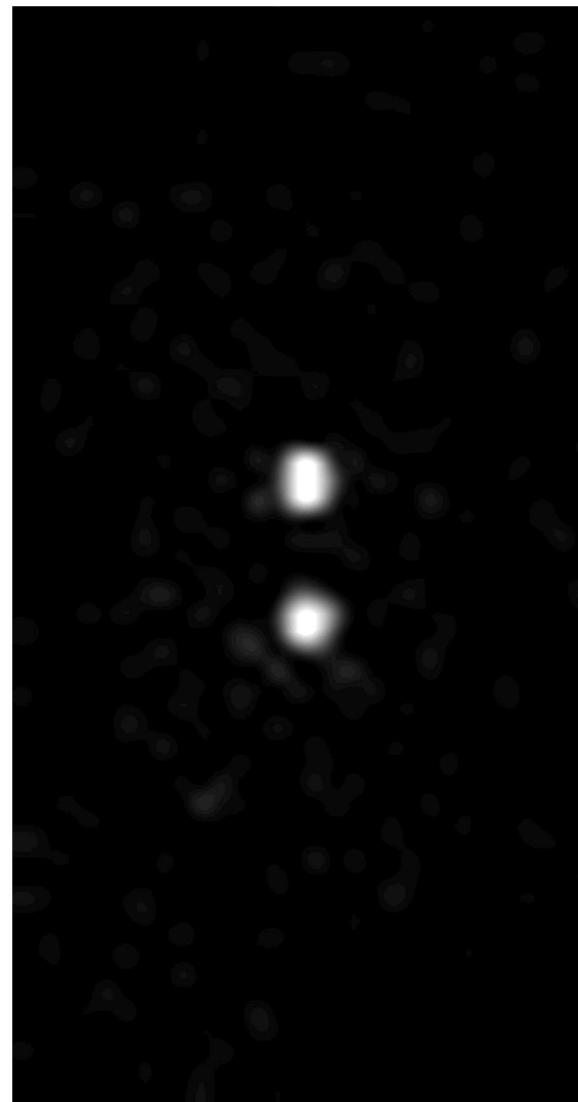
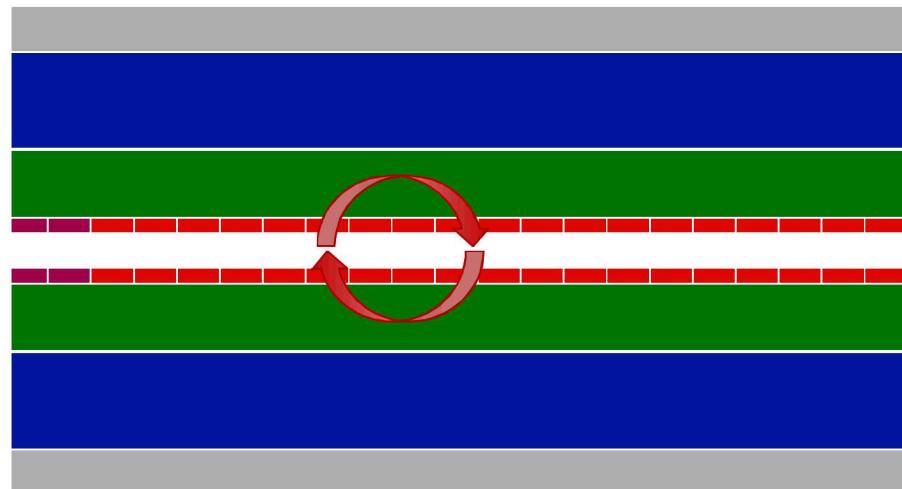
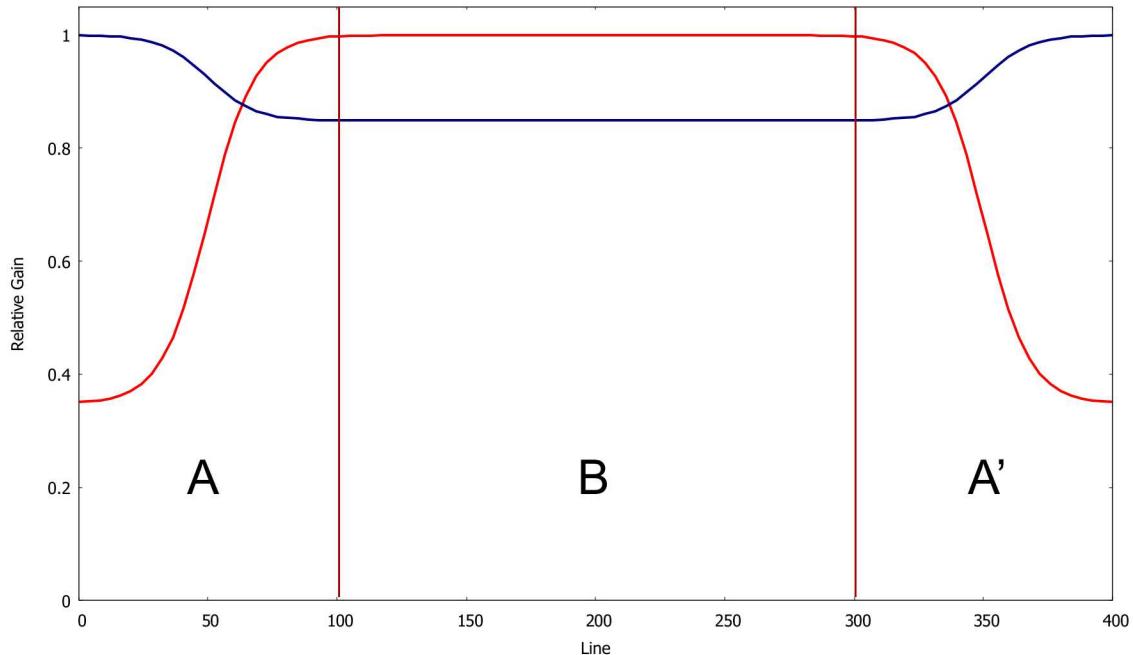
Manufacturability, uniformity

- 12 institutions, 5 countries
- >100 devices delivered
- Quantum computing
- Quantum simulations
- Quantum communication
- Surface science
- Metrology



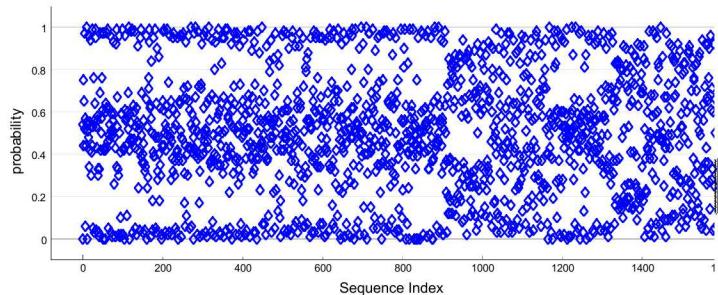
Experimental characterization

Shuttling and swapping

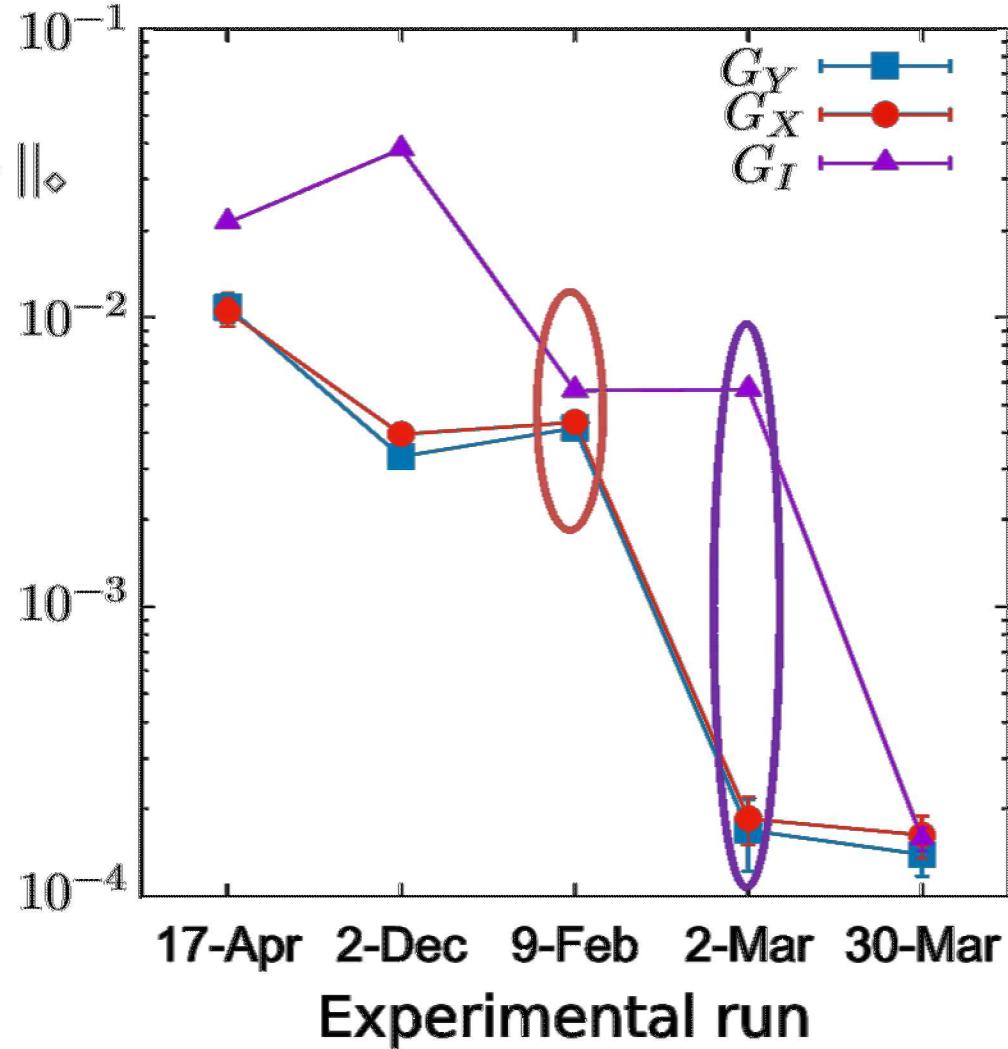


Microwave gates

Raw data poor gates



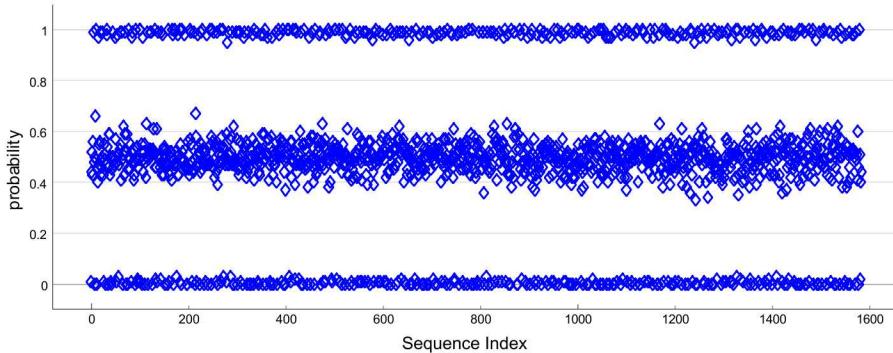
Gate	Rotn. axis	Angle
G_I	0.5252 -0.009 0.8506 -0.0244	0.001699π
G_X	-3×10^{-6} -1 -3×10^{-5} -0.009	0.501308π
G_Y	-0.2474 0.0001 0.9689 -0.0001	0.501366π



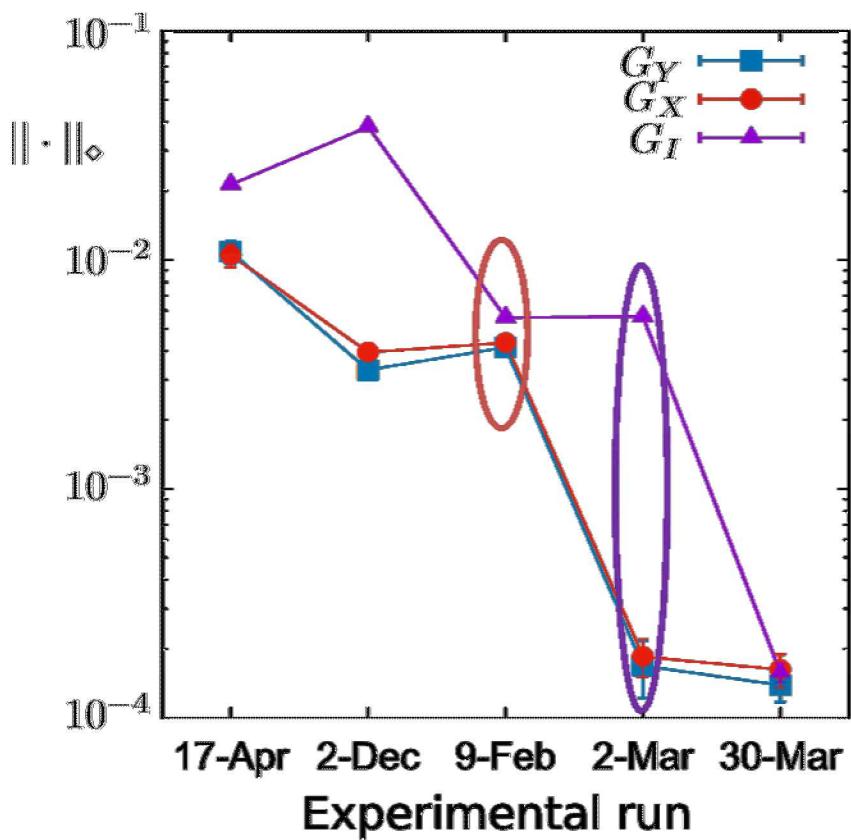
Single qubit gates

Microwave gates

Raw data good gates



Gate	Rotn. axis	Angle
G_I	-0.0035	0.001769π
	0.014	
	-0.9999	
	0.0006	
G_X	-3×10^{-5}	0.500007π
	-1	
	1×10^{-4}	
	0.0006	
G_Y	0.1104	0.50001π
	4×10^{-5}	
	0.9939	
	0.0005	



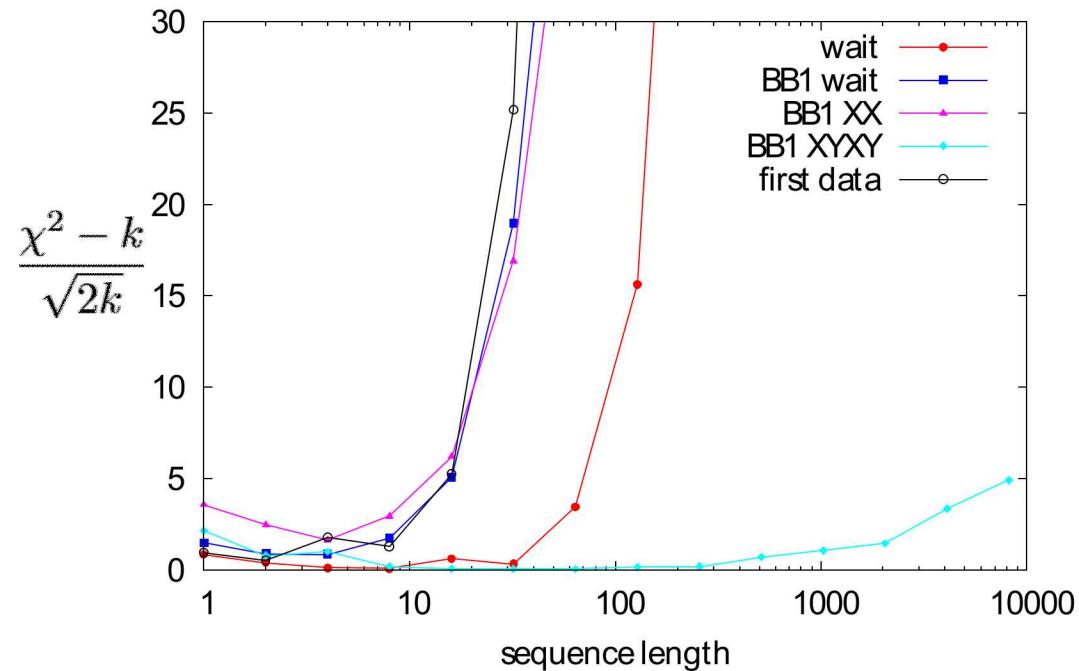
Microwave error sources

- Time resolution:
 - Current time resolution is 5 ns
 - π -times are $45 \mu\text{s}$
 - ratio: 10^{-4}
 - Possible due to broadband pulses
- Coherence time:
 - $T_2^* = 1 \text{ s}$
 - longest pulse sequences 8192 : 1.66 s

Single qubit gates

Markovianity violation

- BB1 decoupled microwave gates with decoupled identity have very small non-Markovian noise
- BB1 dynamically compensated pulse sequences
- Decoupling sequence for identity gate
- Drift control for π -time and qubit frequency

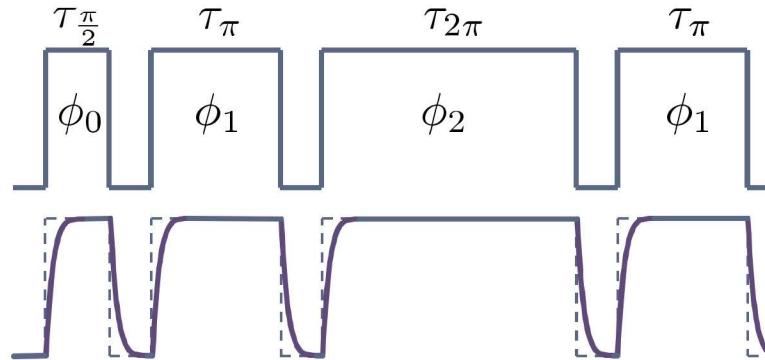


Gate	Process Infidelity	$1/2 \diamond$ -Norm
G_I	$6.9(6) \times 10^{-5}$	$7.9(7) \times 10^{-5}$
G_X	$6.1(7) \times 10^{-5}$	$7.0(15) \times 10^{-5}$
G_Y	$7.2(7) \times 10^{-5}$	$8.1(15) \times 10^{-5}$

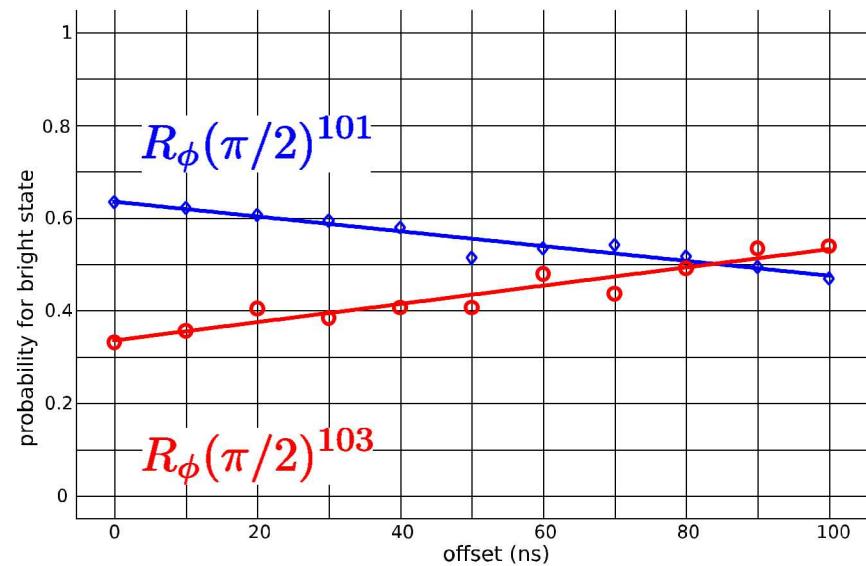
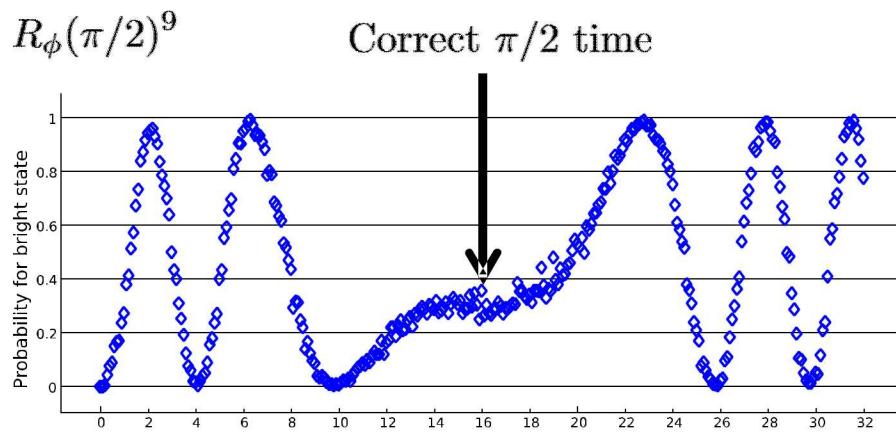
95% confidence intervals

Microwave broadband pulses

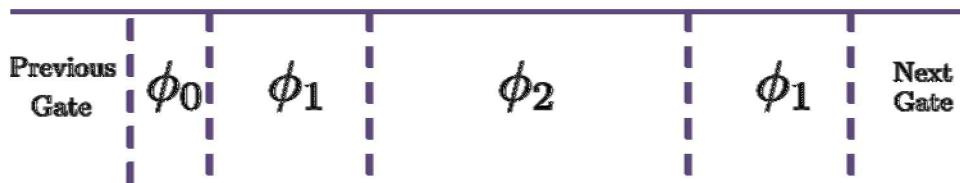
BB1 compensated pulse



Switching artifacts



Discontinuous phase updates are used in place of gaps. Solves issues related to finite turn-on time and allows for continuous feedback on the driving field power.



Single qubit gates

Laser based Raman gates



co-propagating beam geometry

- Motion independent
- No optical phase imprinted

- BB1 dynamically compensated pulse sequences

GST results:

95% confidence intervals

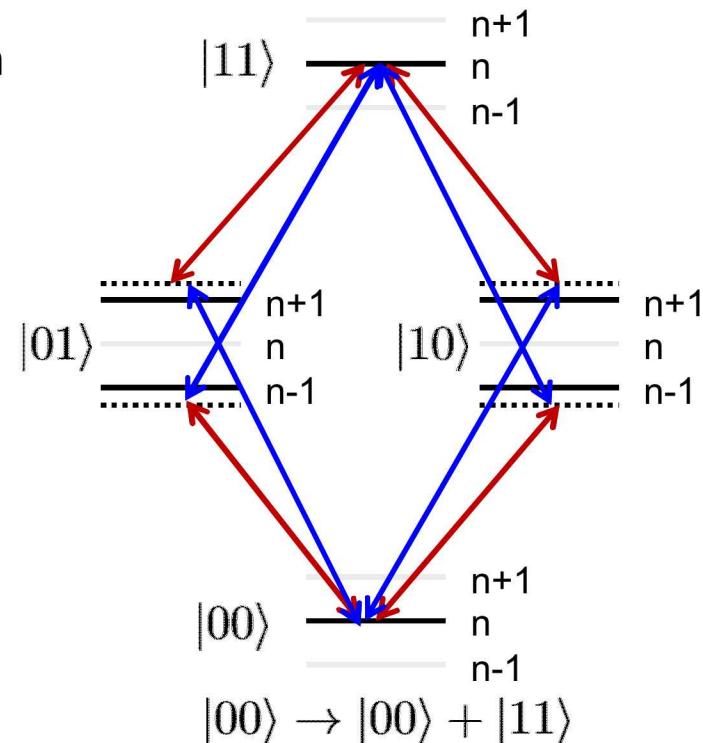
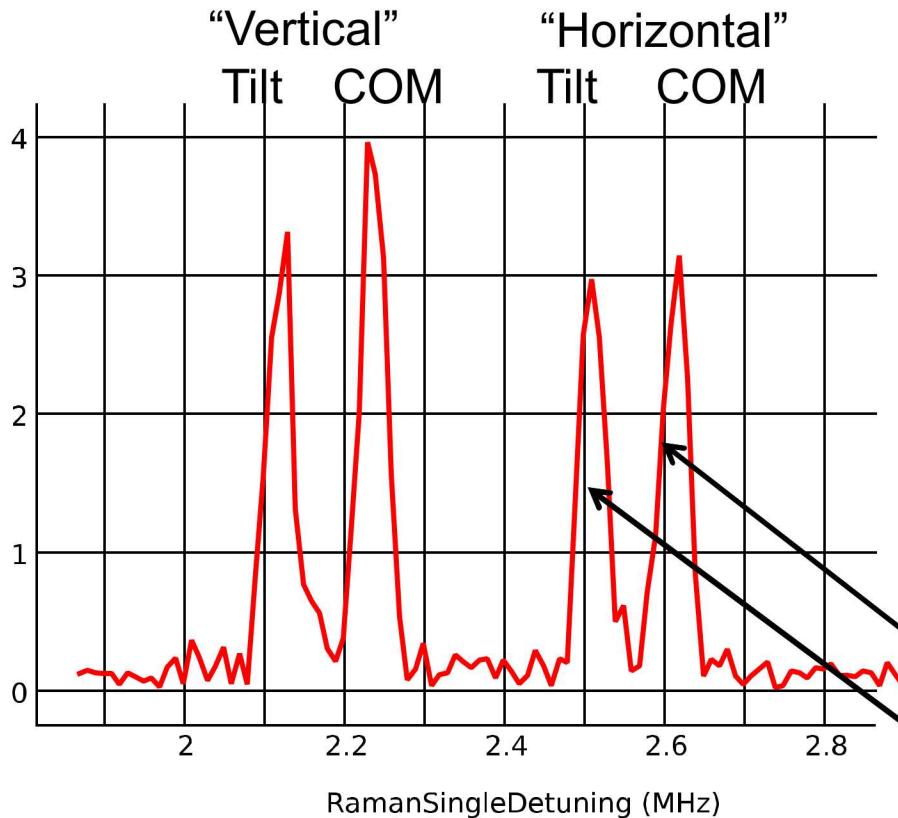
	Conventional pulses		Gapless pulses	
Gate	Process Infidelity	$1/2 \diamond$ -Norm	Process Infidelity	$1/2 \diamond$ -Norm
G_I	$0.05(2) \times 10^{-4}$	$12(1) \times 10^{-4}$	$1.1(1) \times 10^{-4}$	$5.3(2) \times 10^{-4}$
G_X	$1.3(1) \times 10^{-4}$	$4(2) \times 10^{-4}$	$0.5(1) \times 10^{-4}$	$2(6) \times 10^{-4}$
G_Y	$1.6(4) \times 10^{-4}$	$4(3) \times 10^{-4}$	$0.7(1) \times 10^{-4}$	$4(9) \times 10^{-4}$

Quantum optics and lasers
Quantum optics and lasers

Two qubit gates

Mølmer-Sørensen gates

- Mølmer-Sørensen gates [1]
- All two-qubit gates implemented using Walsh compensation pulses [2]



Heating rates

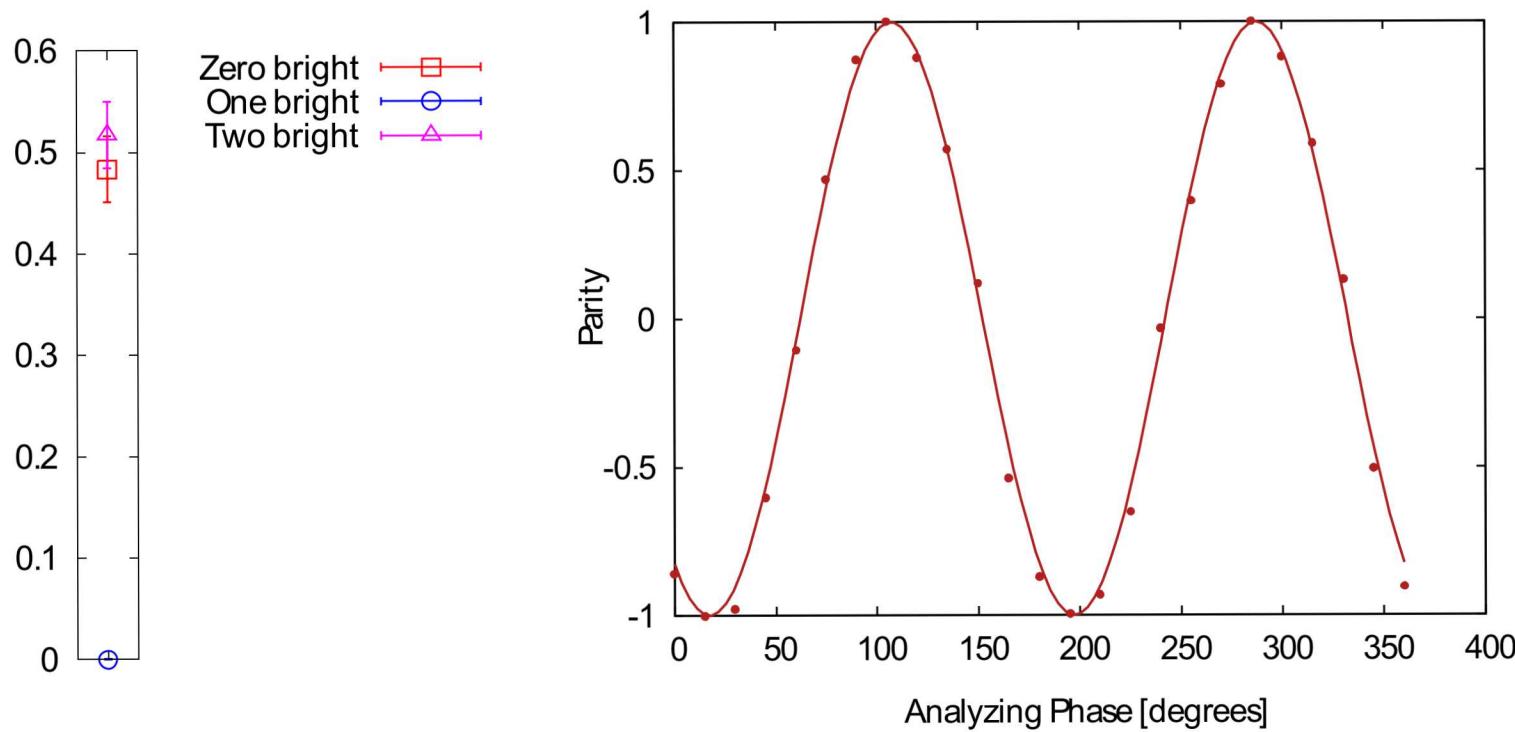
≈ 60 quanta/s

< 8 quanta/s

[1] K. Mølmer, A. Sørensen, PRL 82, 1835 (1999)

[2] D. Hayes et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 109, 020503 (2012)

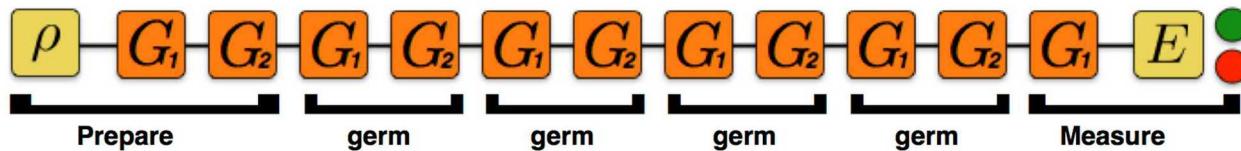
Fidelity measurement using parity scan



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Two qubit gates

GST on symmetric subspace



Basic gates: G_I

$$G_{XX} = G_X \otimes G_X$$

$$G_{YY} = G_Y \otimes G_Y$$

$$G_{MS}$$

Preparation Fiducials:

$$\{\}$$

$$G_{XX}$$

$$G_{YY}$$

$$G_{MS}$$

$$G_{XX}G_{MS}$$

$$G_{YY}G_{MS}$$

Germs:

$$G_I$$

$$G_{XX}$$

$$G_{YY}$$

$$G_{MS}$$

$$G_I G_{XX}$$

$$G_I G_{YY}$$

$$G_I G_{MS}$$

$$G_{XX} G_{YY}$$

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Detection Fiducials:

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$$G_{XX}$$

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$$G_{XX} G_{MS}$$

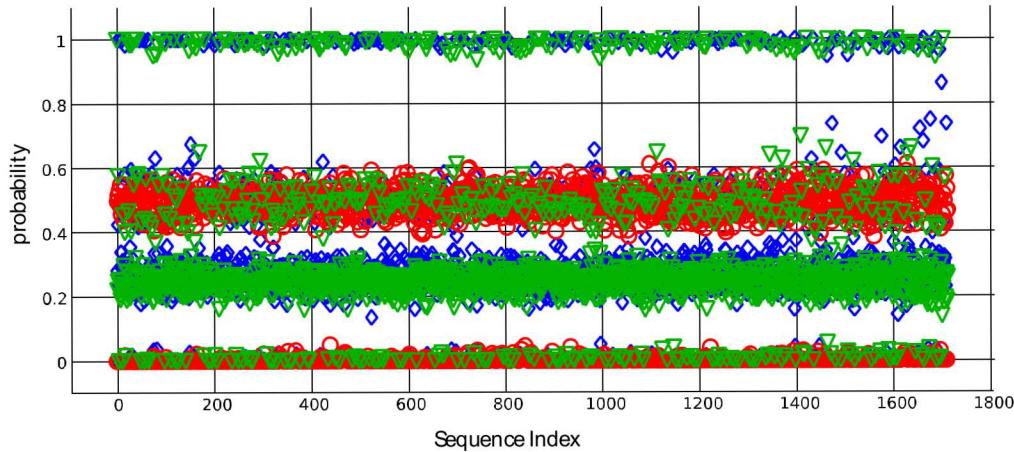
$$G_{YY} G_{MS}$$

$$G_{XX}^3$$

$$G_{YY}^3$$

$$G_{YY}^2 G_{MS}$$

Two qubit gates GST data



Zero ions bright
One ion bright
Two ions bright

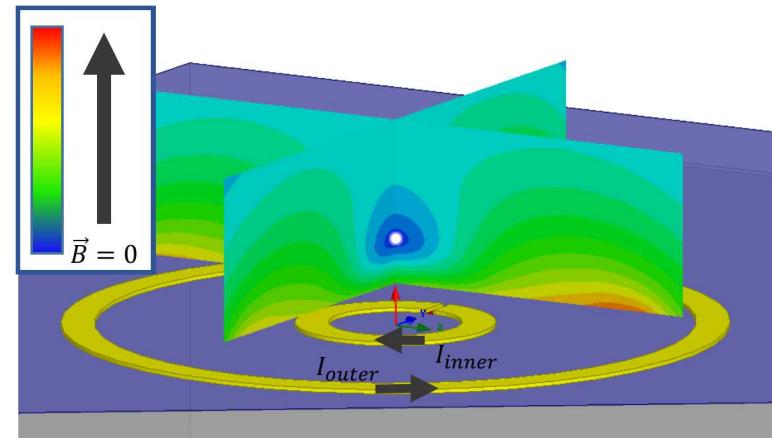
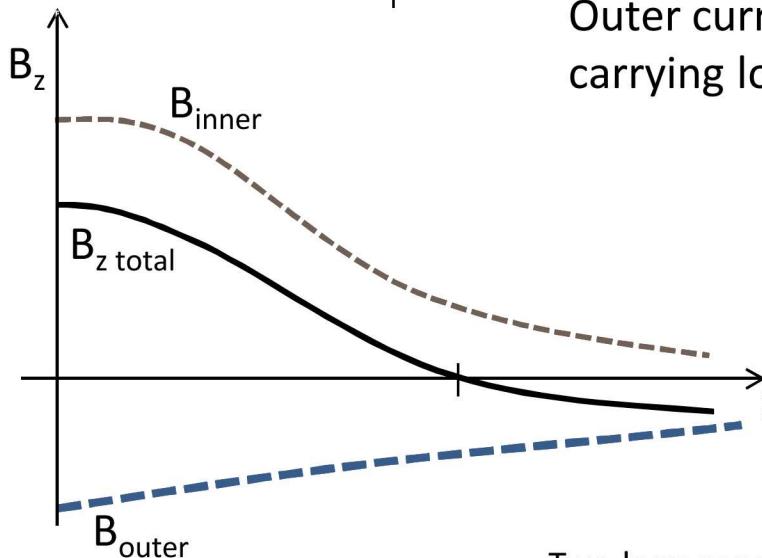
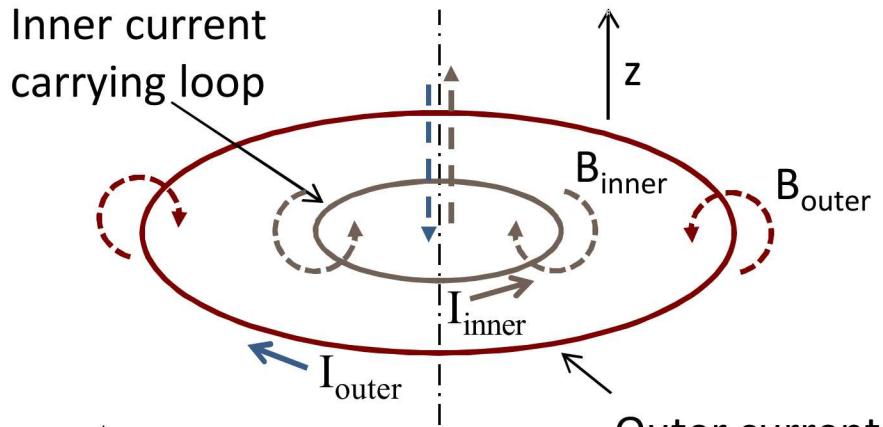
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95% confidence intervals

Process fidelity of two-qubit Mølmer-Sørensen gate > 99.5%

Microwave trap

“Ideal” Two-Loop Design



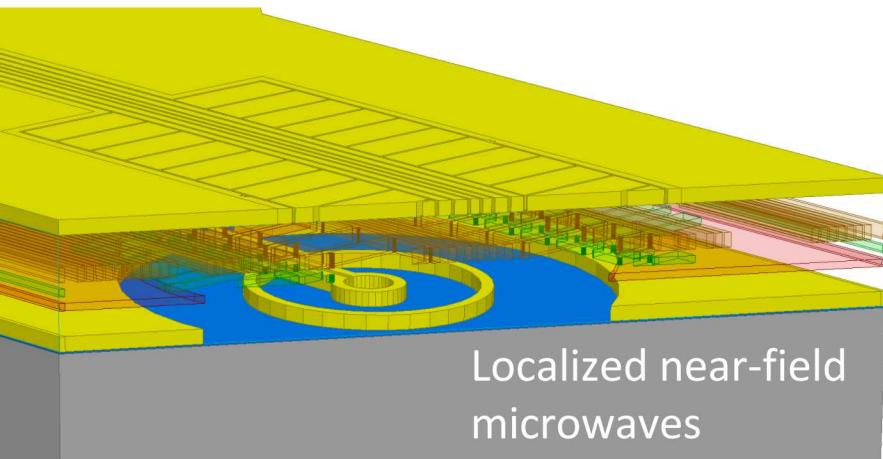
- x- and y- fields cancel along z-axis
- Generates uniform B_z and dB_z/dz with $B=0$
- Location of null determined by geometry and ratio of currents

Two-loop concept developed at Sandia in 2012 (SAND2015-9513)

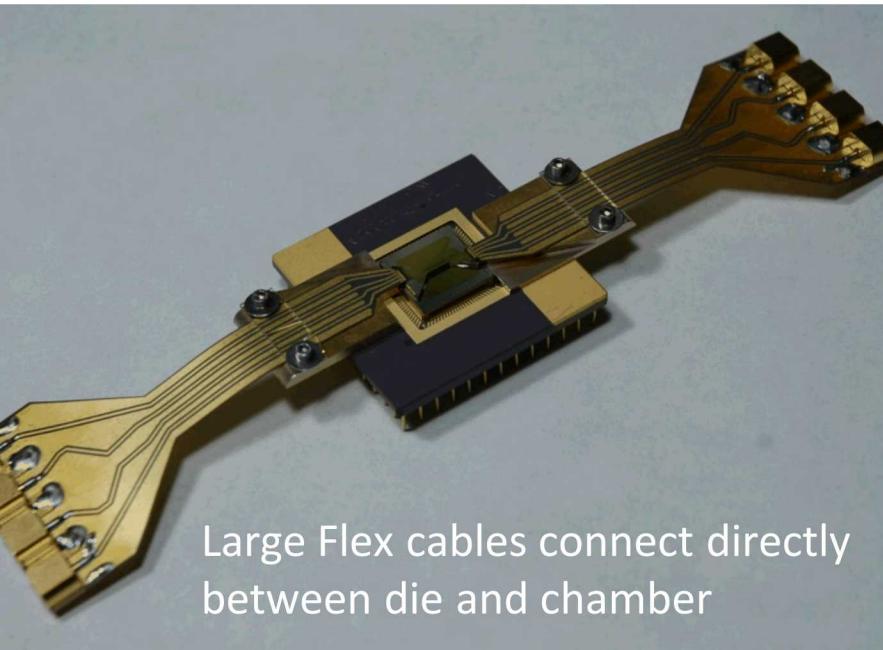
(C. Highstrete, S. M. Scott, J. D. Sterk, C. D. Nordquist, J. E. Stevens, C. P. Tigges, M. G. Blain)

Specialized devices & Future directions

Microwave trap



Localized near-field
microwaves



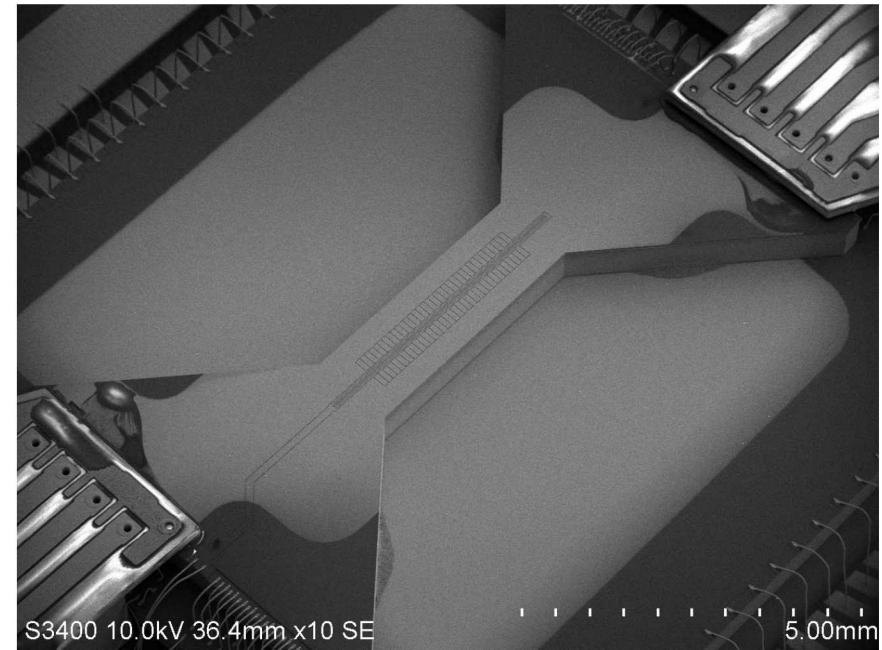
Large Flex cables connect directly
between die and chamber

Benefits:

- Microwave radiation is easier to control and cheaper to implement than lasers
- Low power for Rabi oscillations
- Near field allows to generate microwave gradient fields

Challenges:

- Microwave delivery
- Dissipation, heating, thermal management

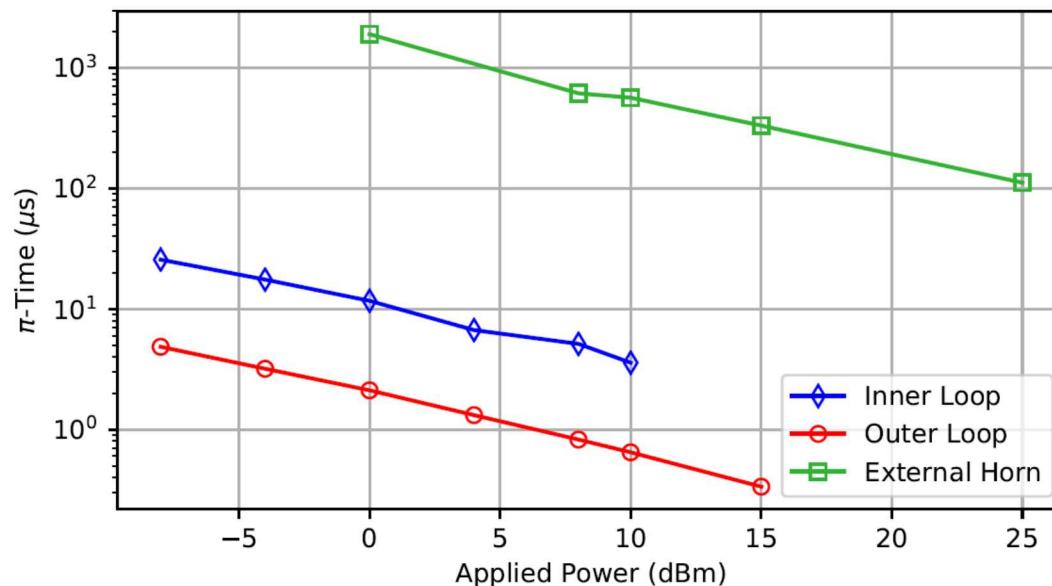
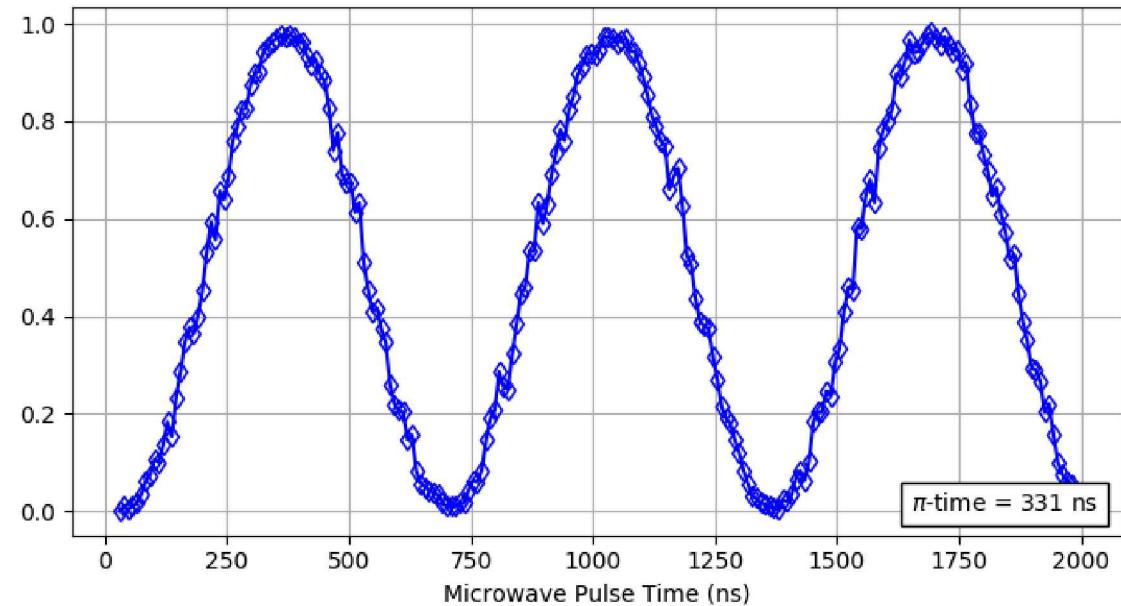


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Specialized devices & Future directions

Microwave trap

- Losses between chamber and device $\approx 17\text{dB}$
- Realized fast Rabi flopping 330ns with 15dBm at chamber, -2dBm at device
- Access to range of relevant π -times
- Will characterize gates as function of π -times.



EPICS Trap

