

# Quantum Information and Metrology with RF Traps at NIST

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# Summary:

- scaling to larger systems (increase fidelity and number)
  - best 2-qubit gates (Innsbruck)  $\varepsilon < 0.01$
  - ion arrays
    - \* transporting quantum information
    - \* trap fabrication & steps toward simulation
    - \* qubit detection (integrated optics)
    - \* low-temperature traps
    - \* scaling with gates
  - alternate strategies?, e.g., microwave gates
- metrology, e.g. atomic clocks
- prospects

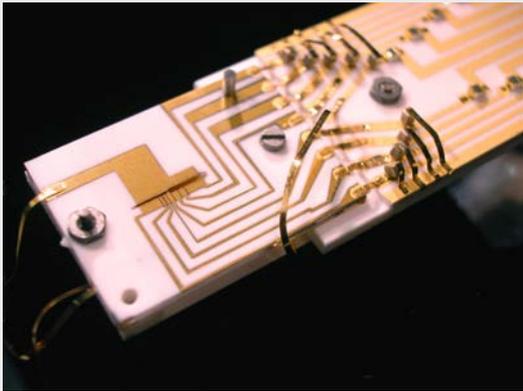
# Multiplexed trap arrays



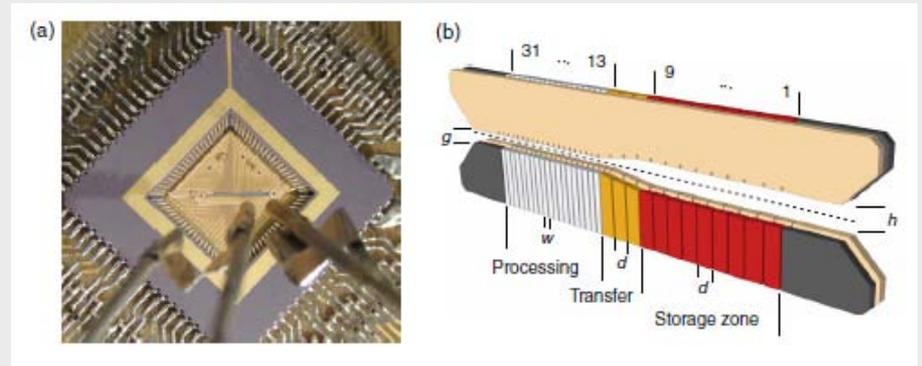
artiste: D. Leibfried

# Examples:

## Linear arrays:

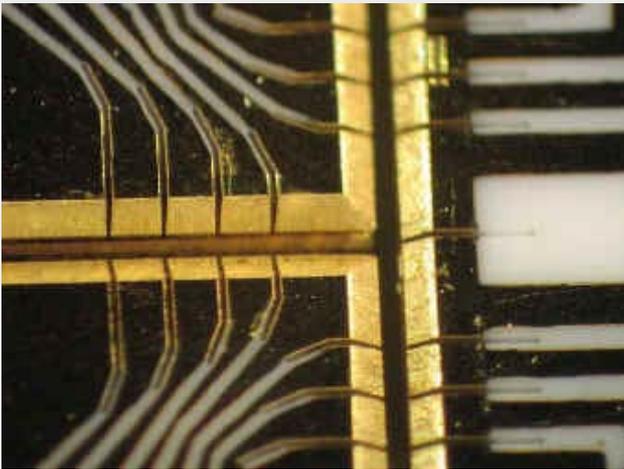


NIST (M. Rowe *et al.*,  
Quant. Inf. Comp. **2**, 257 (2002))

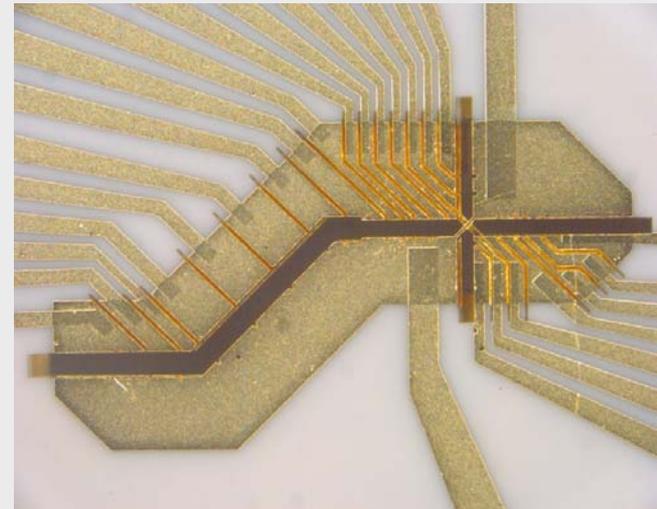


S. A. Schulz *et al.*, New J. Phys. **10**, 045007 (2008)  
Schmidt-Kaler group

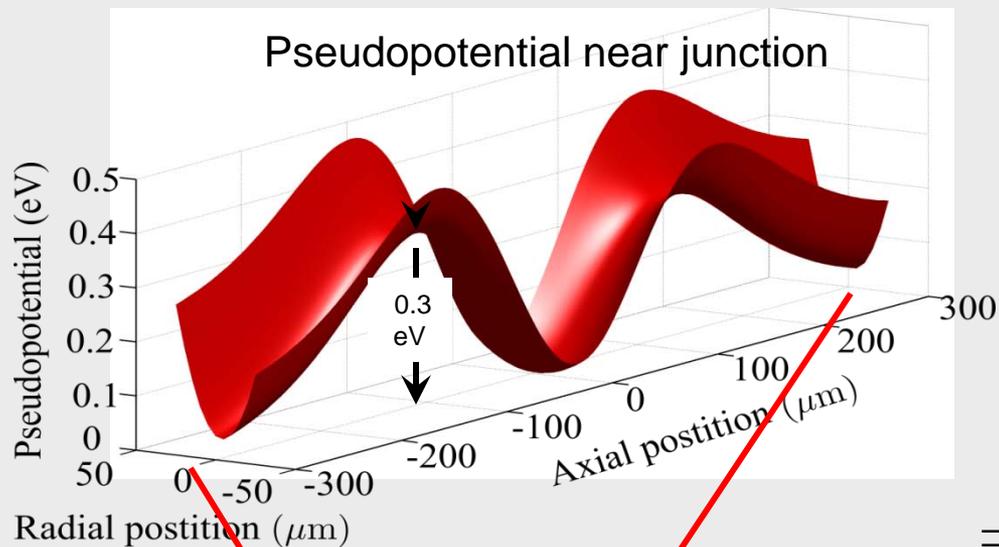
## Traps with junctions (2-D):



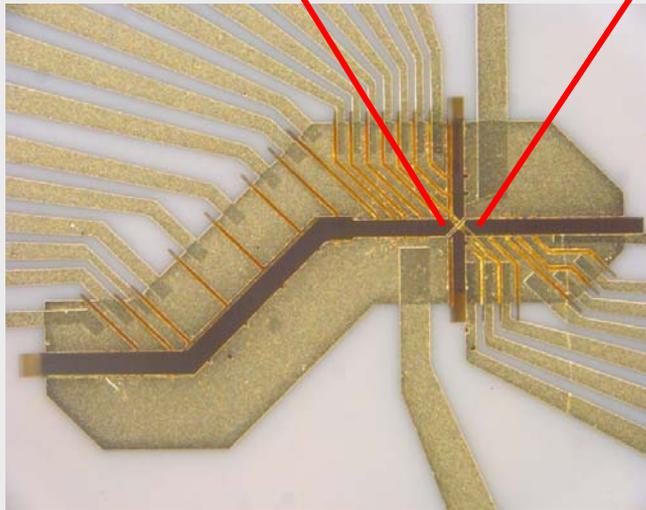
W. Hensinger *et al.*, (Monroe group)  
Appl. Phys. Lett. **88**, 034101 (2006)



R. Blakestad *et al.*, (NIST)  
PRL **102**, 153002 (2009)



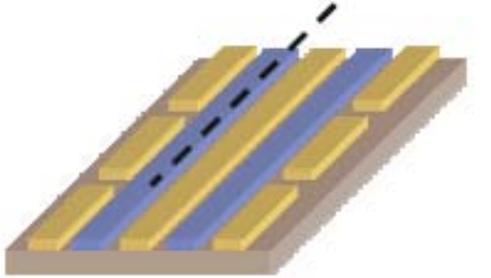
Maxwell:  
 harmonic confinement  
 $\Rightarrow$  pseudopotential bumps  
 (J. H. Wesenberg, PRA 78, 063410 (2008))



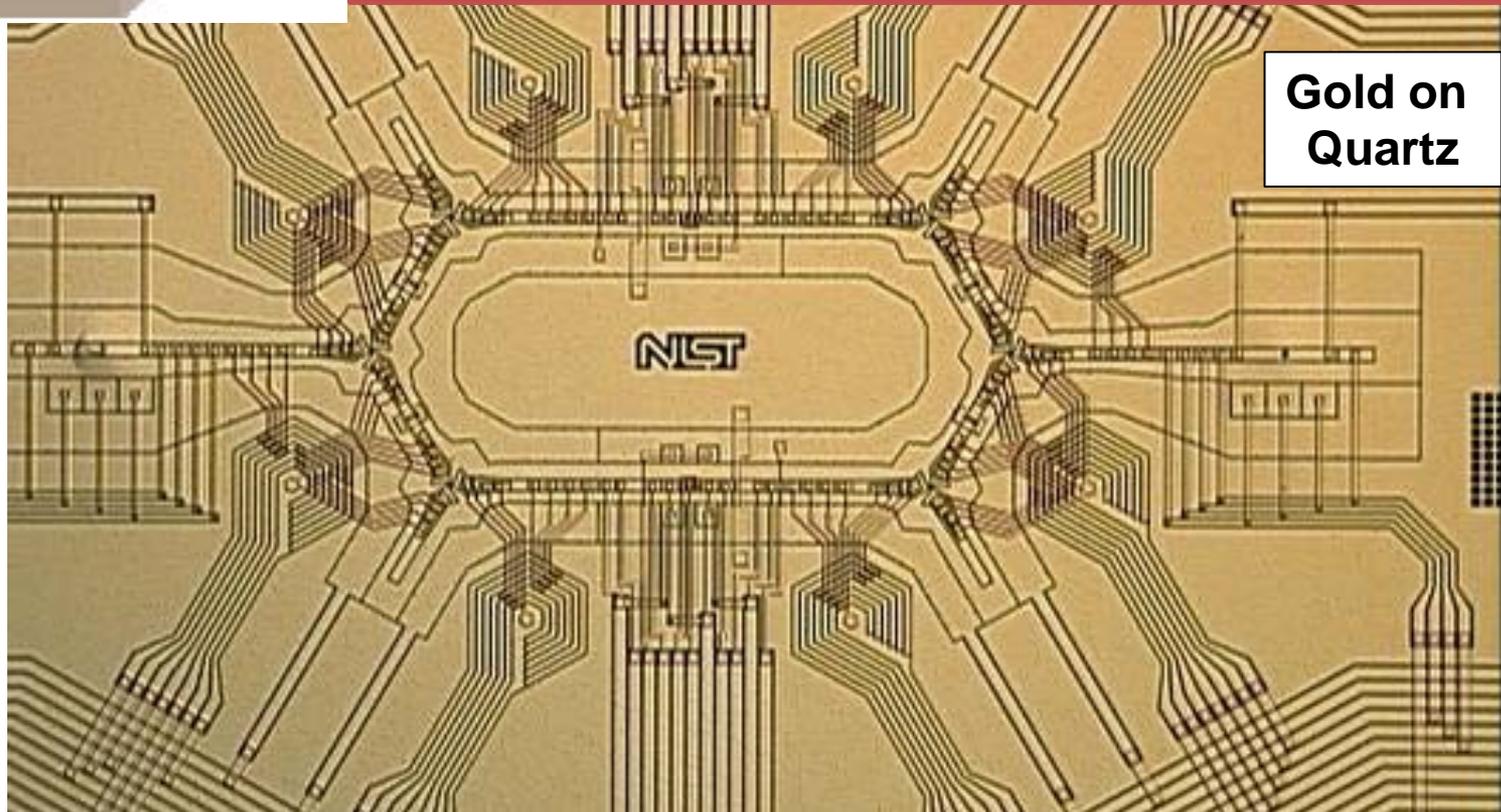
- primary heating mechanisms identified
  - ◇ RF noise at  $\Omega_{\text{RF}} \pm \omega_z$
  - ◇ DAC updating rate
- heating  $< 1$  quantum/transfer

(R. Blakestad et al.,  
 PRL **102**, 153002 (2009))

# Surface-electrode traps



- repeatable component library
- two-layer construction with vias
- “backside” loading
- transport in linear sections and through “Y” junctions



Gold on  
Quartz

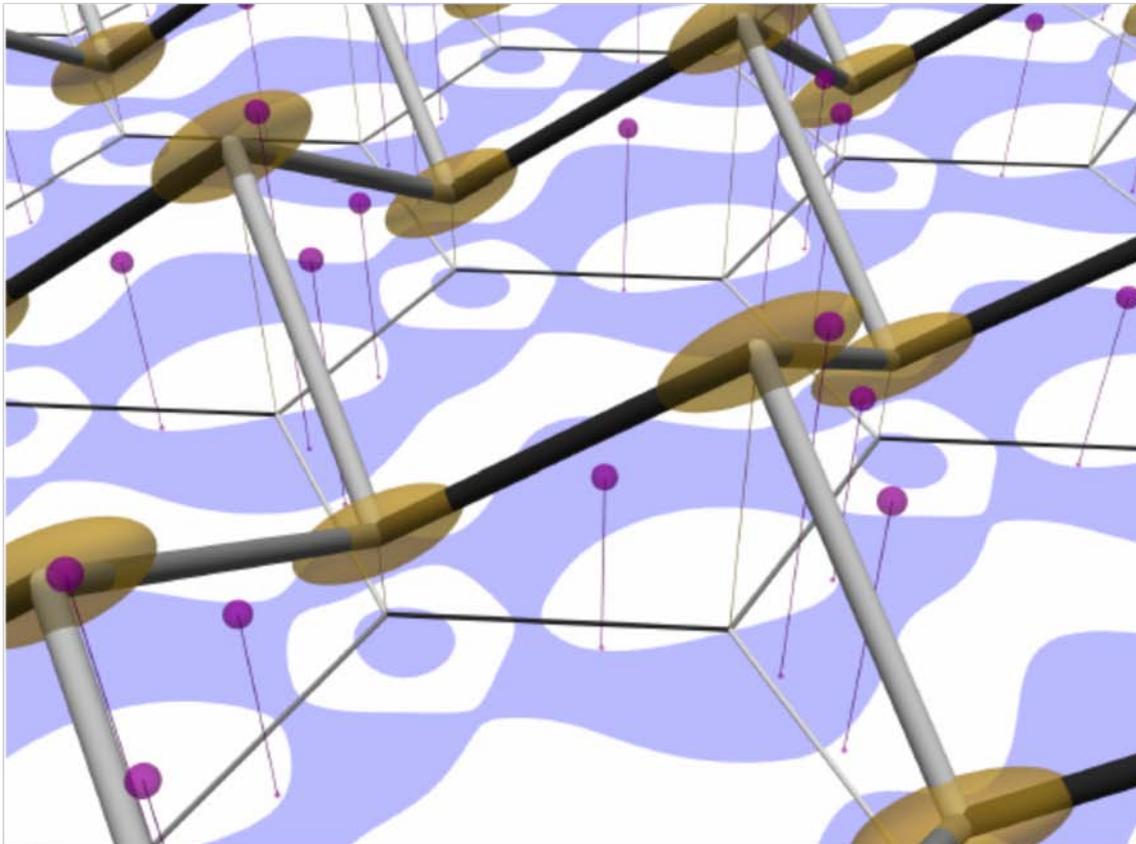
1 mm

~150 zone “racetrack”  
(J. Amini *et al.* New J. Phys. 12, 033031 (2010))

# Surface traps $\Rightarrow$ one route to complex simulations

More general Heisenberg/Ising-type couplings :

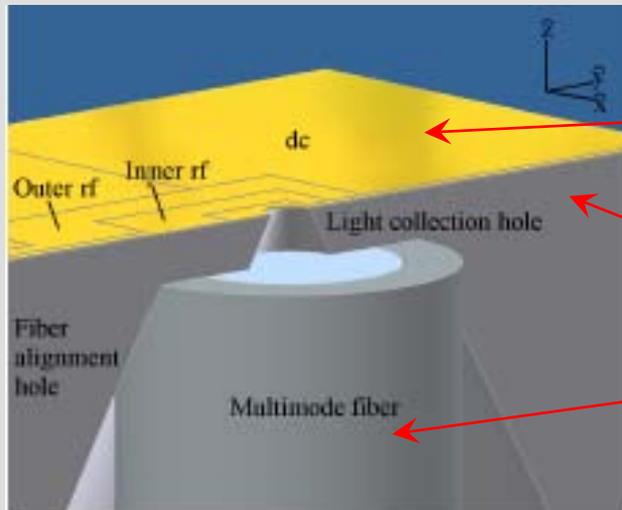
$$\sigma_x^{(i)} \sigma_x^{(j)}, \sigma_y^{(i)} \sigma_y^{(j)}, \sigma_z^{(i)} \sigma_z^{(j)} \text{ like two qubit-gates}$$



R. Schmied, J. Wesenberg,  
D. Leibfried  
PRL **102**, 233002 (2009)

# Integrated Optics

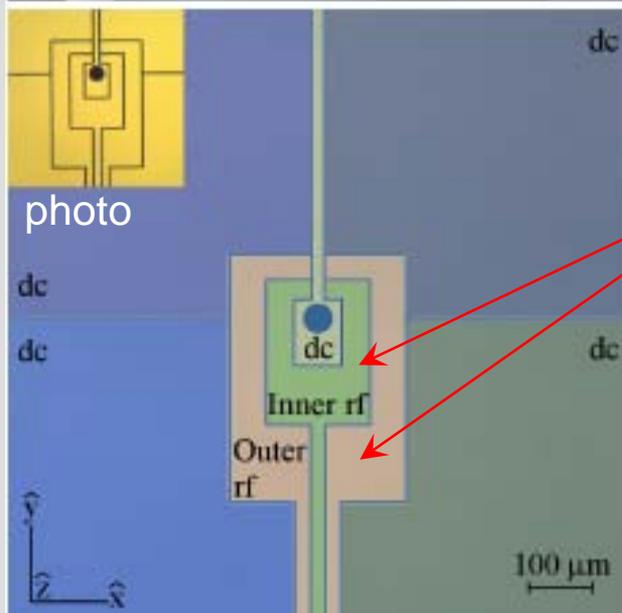
## Problem with ions: charging of optics



evaporated gold

quartz substrate

quartz fiber NA = 0.37, 2.1% collection



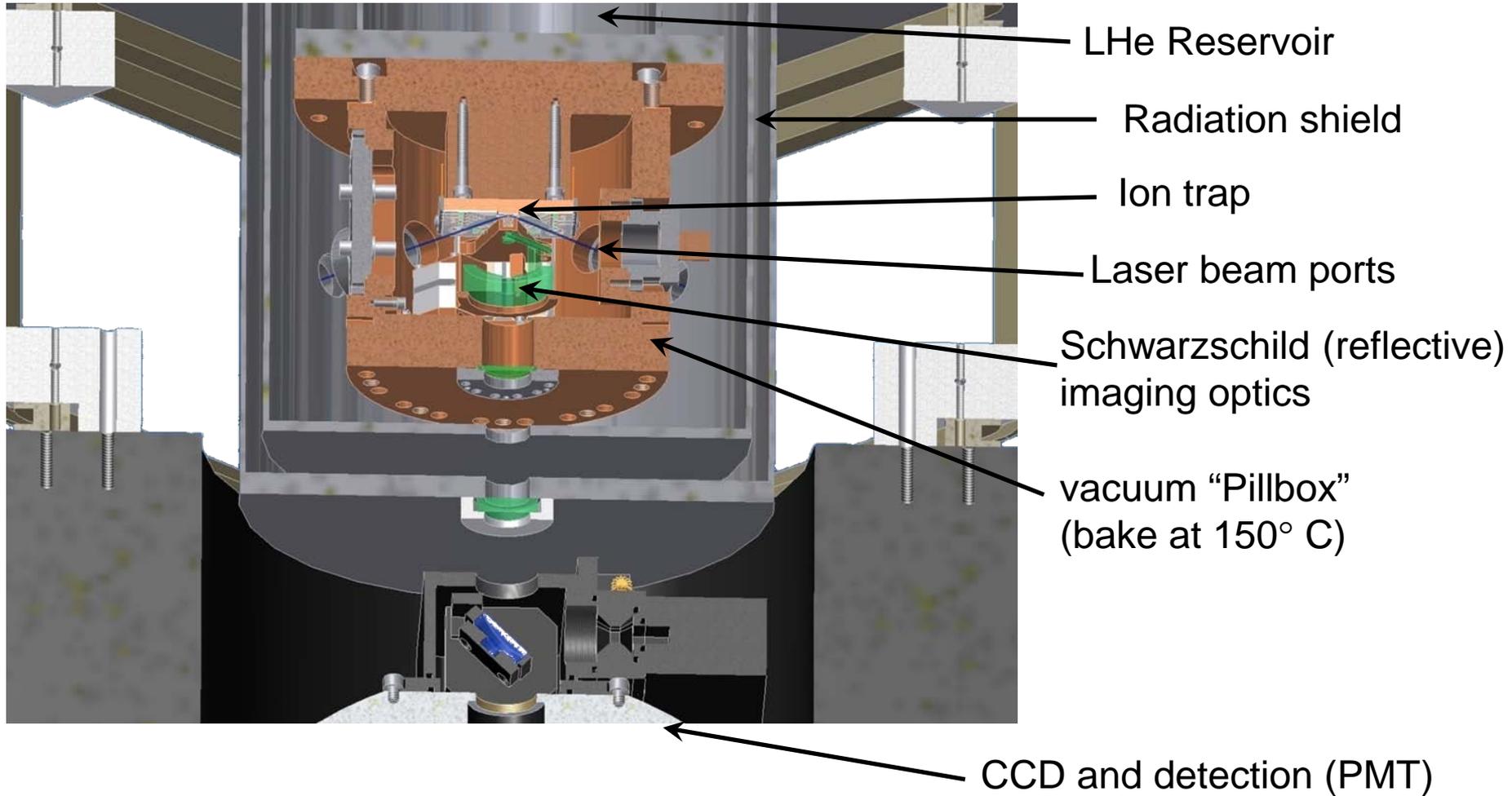
$\eta(\text{fiber}) = 0.3 \times \eta(\text{multi-element lens, NA} = 0.5)$

Control height  
with differential RF

Aaron VanDevender, Yves Colombe *et al.*,  
PRL **105**, 023001 (2010)  
(in collaboration with Sandia National Labs)

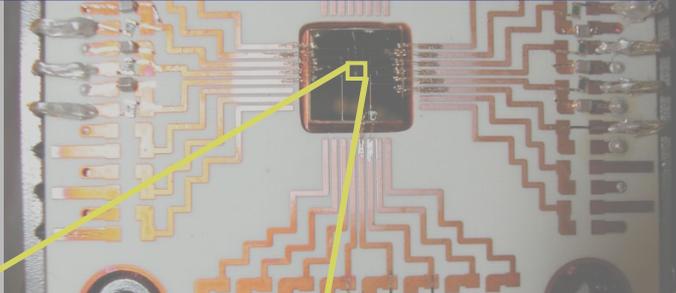
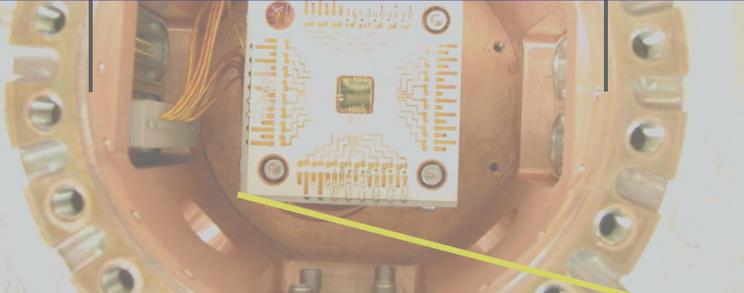
# Cold Trap (4 K)

Kenton Brown, Christian Ospelkaus, Yves Colombe, Andrew Wilson

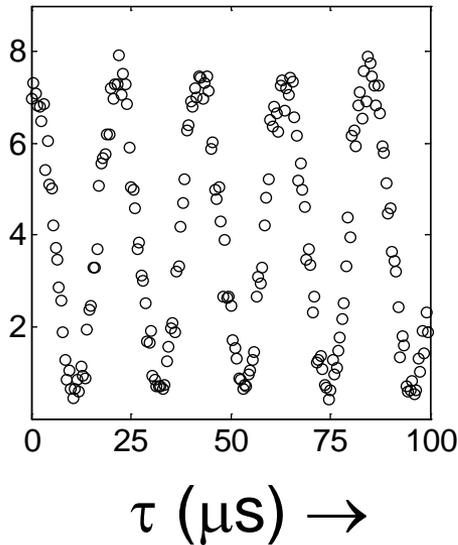


~ 20 cm

- ion lifetime  $\rightarrow \infty$   
((Be<sup>+</sup>)<sup>\*</sup> + H<sub>2</sub>  $\rightarrow$  BeH<sup>+</sup> + H apparently eliminated)
- good (RF) qubit flopping

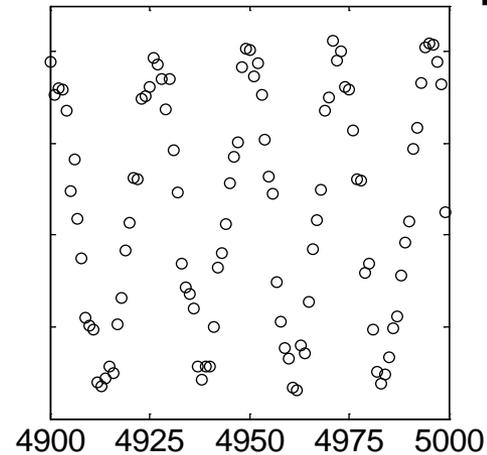


$(F = 2, m_F = -2) \leftrightarrow |F = 1, m_F = -1\rangle$



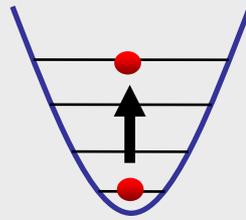
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after ~ 500 flops



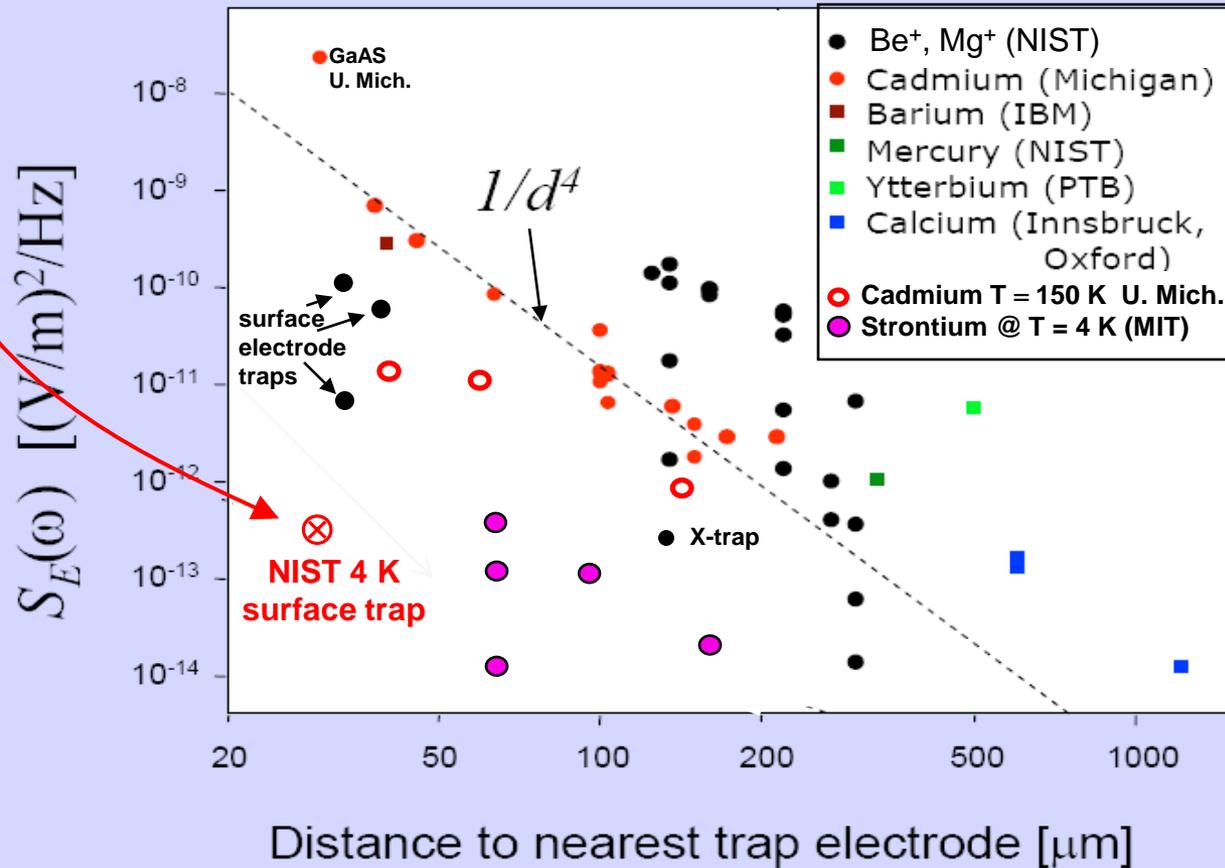
(backside illumination)

Low heating  
(sometimes)

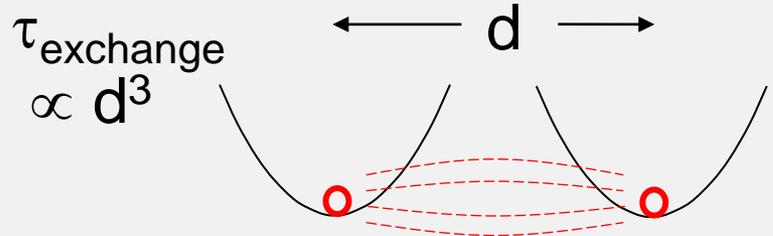


$$\dot{\bar{n}} = \frac{e^2}{4m\hbar\omega} S_E(\omega)$$

$S_E(\omega)$ : spectral density  
of electric-field fluctuations

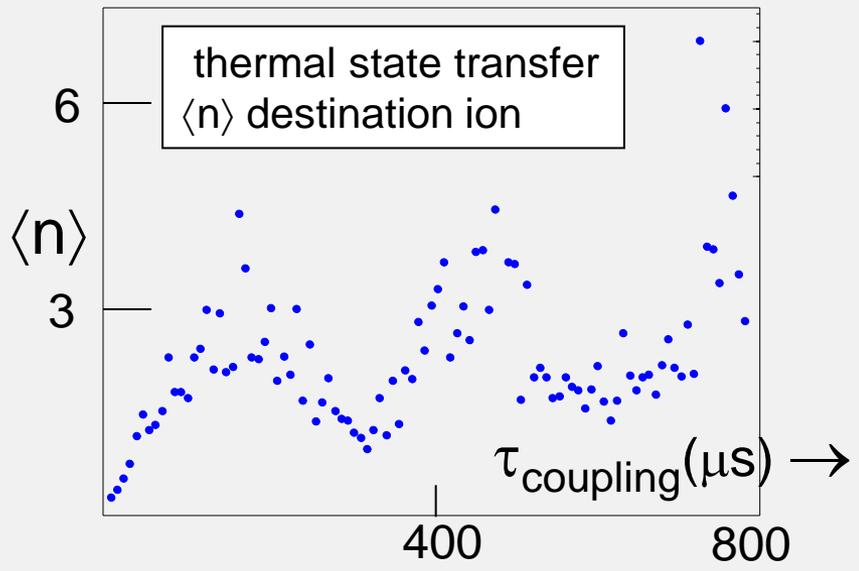
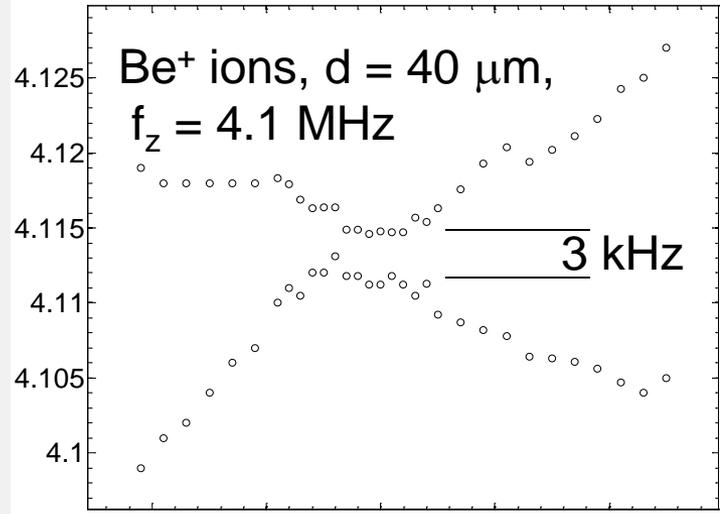
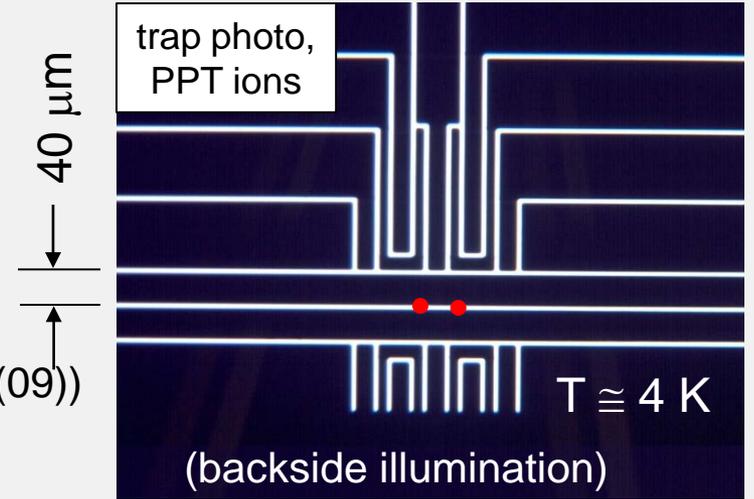


# Coupling ions in separate wells

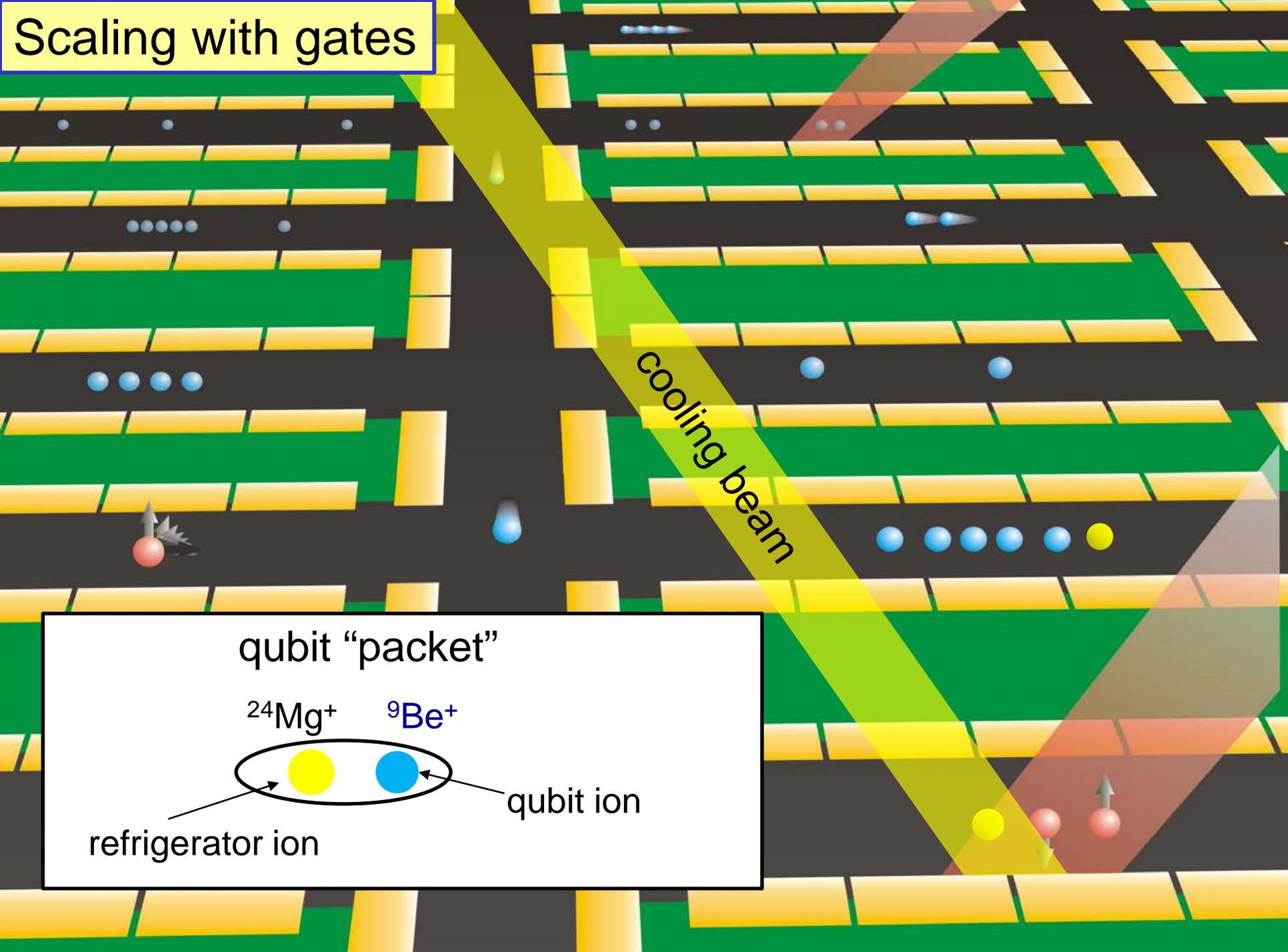


- generalization of quantum-logic spectroscopy (D. Heinzen, DJW, PRA **42** 2977 (1990))
- step towards coupling to other quantum systems
- new entanglement schemes
- precursor to arrays for simulation (e.g. Schmied, Wesenberg, Leibfried PRL **102**, 233002 (09))

5-zone "4-wire" surface-electrode test trap (Au on crystalline quartz)



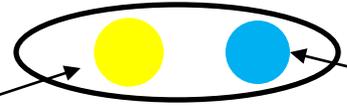
# Scaling with gates



cooling beam

qubit "packet"

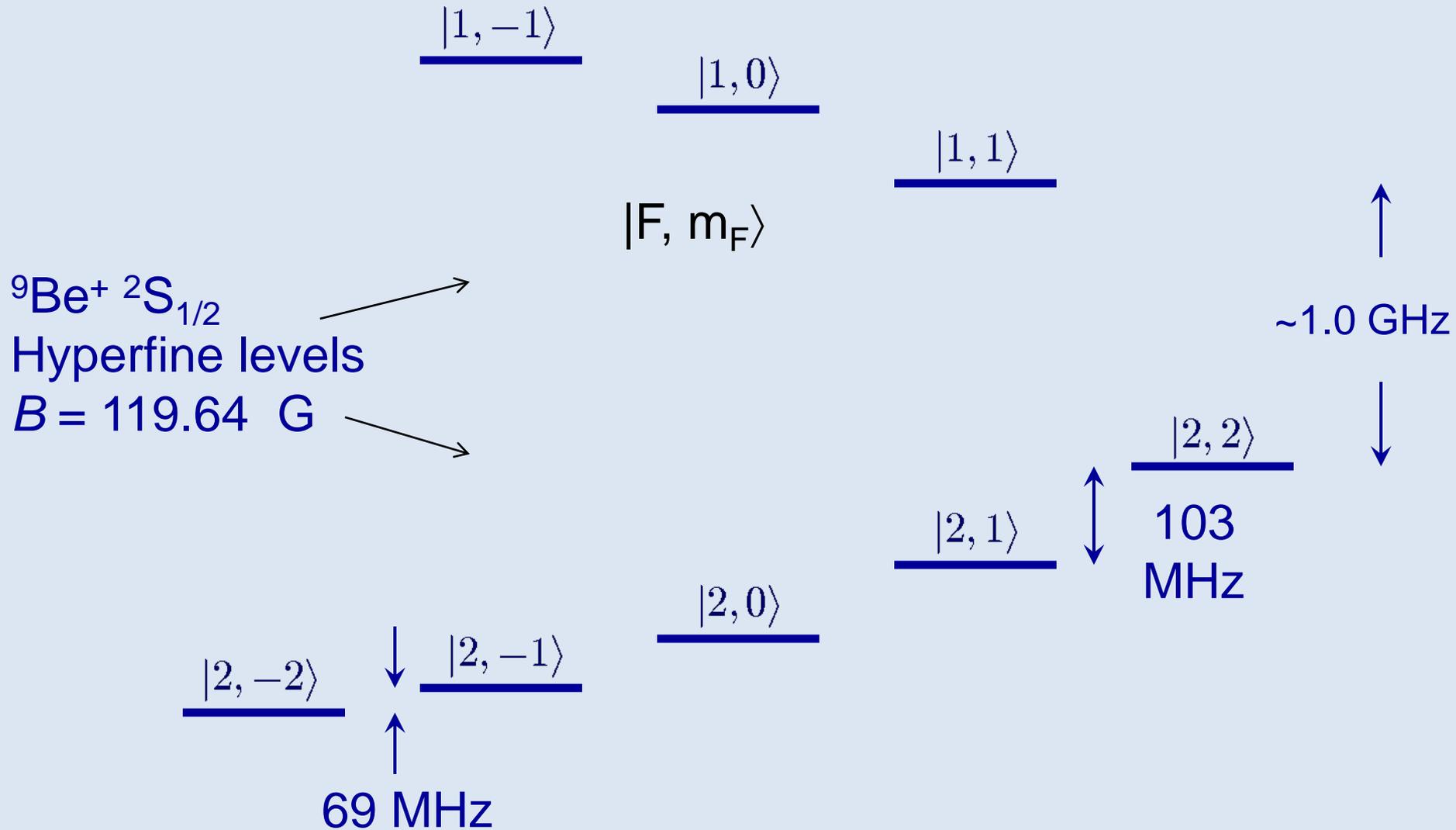
$^{24}\text{Mg}^+$      $^9\text{Be}^+$



refrigerator ion

qubit ion

# “hybrid” qubit system



# “hybrid” qubit system

qubit for memory,  
transport, rotations

$|1, -1\rangle$

Magnetic-field-  
independent manifold

Coherence time  $\sim 15$  s

C. Langer, et al, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **95** 060502 (2005)

$|1, 0\rangle$

$|1, 1\rangle$

$$\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial B} = 0$$

$|2, 2\rangle$

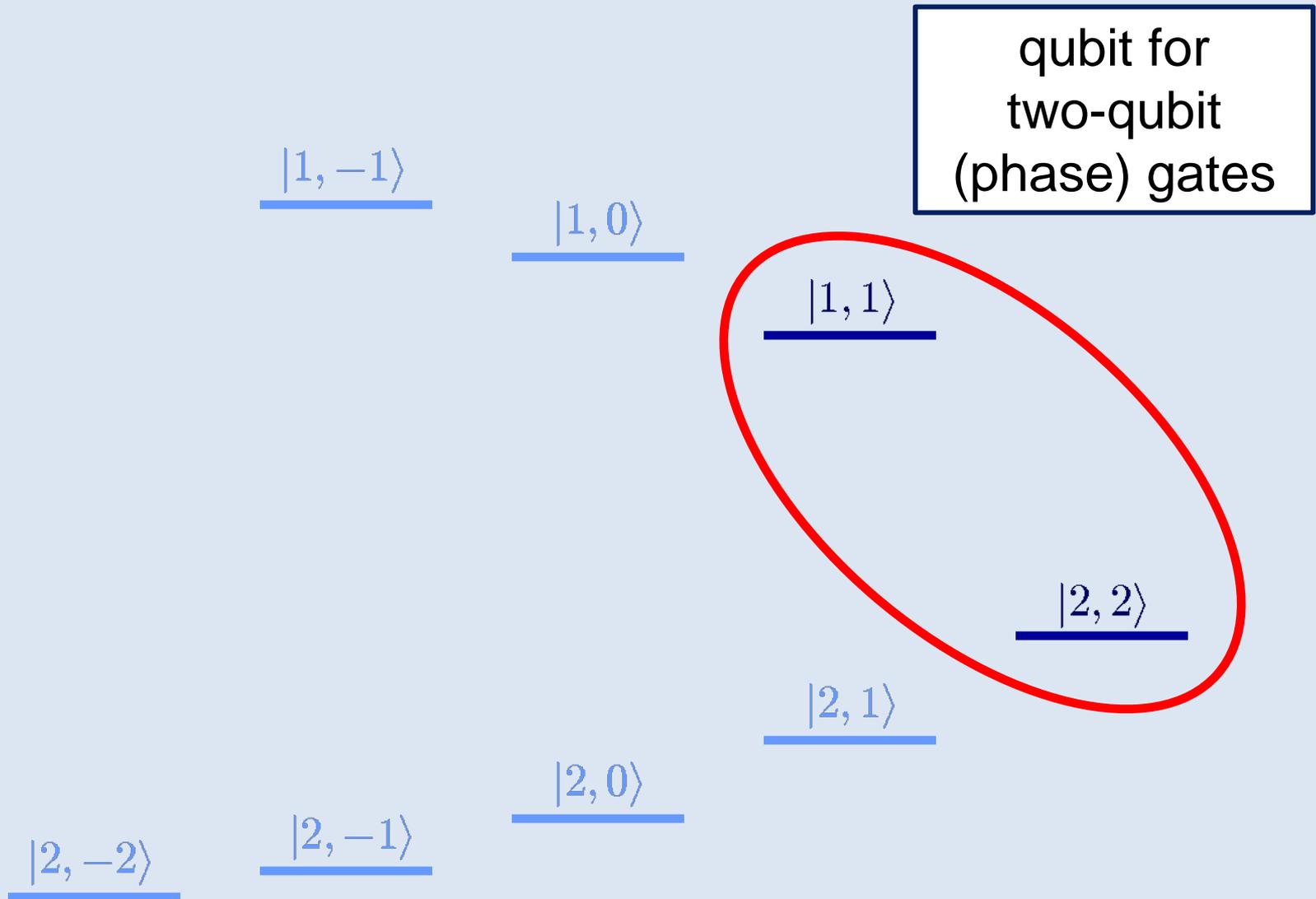
$|2, 1\rangle$

$|2, 0\rangle$

$|2, -2\rangle$

$|2, -1\rangle$

# “hybrid” qubit system



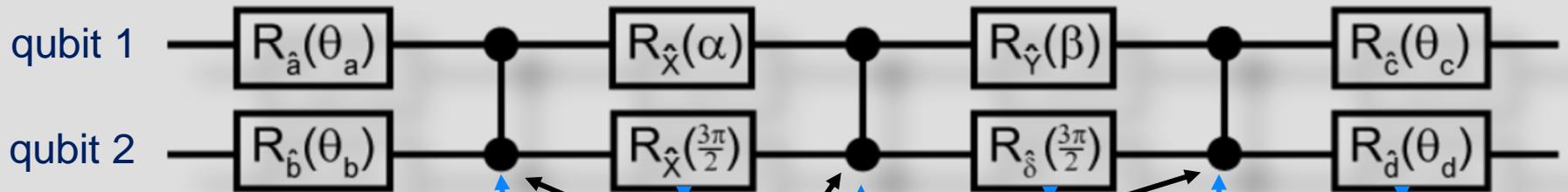
# Programmable (universal) 2-qubit quantum processor

(David Hanneke, Jonathan Home, John Jost *et al.*, *Nature Physics* **6**, 13 (2010).)

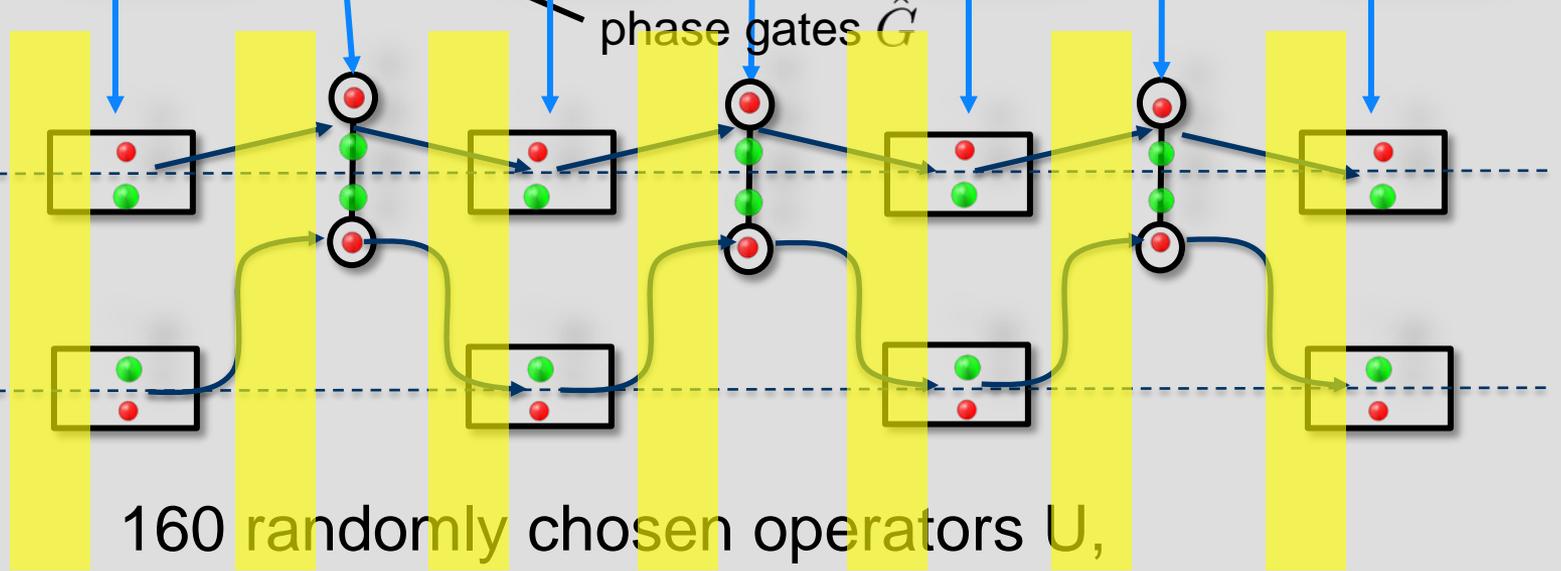
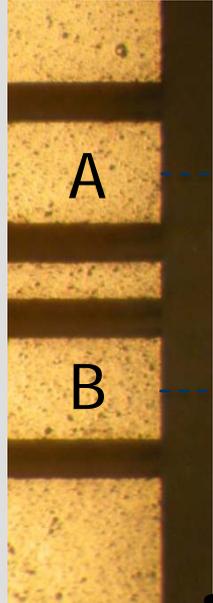
Theory: arbitrary unitary  $U$  (SU4):

B. Kraus and J. I. Cirac, *Phys. Rev. A* **63** 062309 (2001)

V. V. Shende, *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. A* **69** 062321 (2004)



Experiment:



160 randomly chosen operators  $U$ ,

apply to  $\Psi_1 \otimes \Psi_2$ ,  $\Psi_i \in \{|0\rangle, |1\rangle, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle), \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - i|1\rangle)\}$

average final state fidelity = 79.1(4.5)

plus,  
laser cooling

$$\hat{G} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# extension: entangled mechanical oscillators



$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ |\uparrow\rangle_A |\downarrow\rangle_B + e^{i\xi(t)} |\downarrow\rangle_A |\uparrow\rangle_B \right] |0\rangle_A |0\rangle_B$$



$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\uparrow\rangle_A |\uparrow\rangle_B \left[ |0\rangle_A |0\rangle_B - e^{i\xi(t)} |1\rangle_A |1\rangle_B \right]$$

# Alternative strategies: RF magnetic field gates?

Why? Get rid of the lasers!

static magnetic field gradient:

Wunderlich group (Siegen):

Adv. At. Mol. Opt. Phys. **49**, 295 (2003)

M. Johanning *et al.*, PRL **102**, 073004 (2009)

Chuang group (MIT):

S. Wang *et al.*, Appl. Phys. Lett. **94**, 094103 (2009)

Meschede group (Bonn):

L. Förster *et al.*, PRL **103**, 233001 (2009)

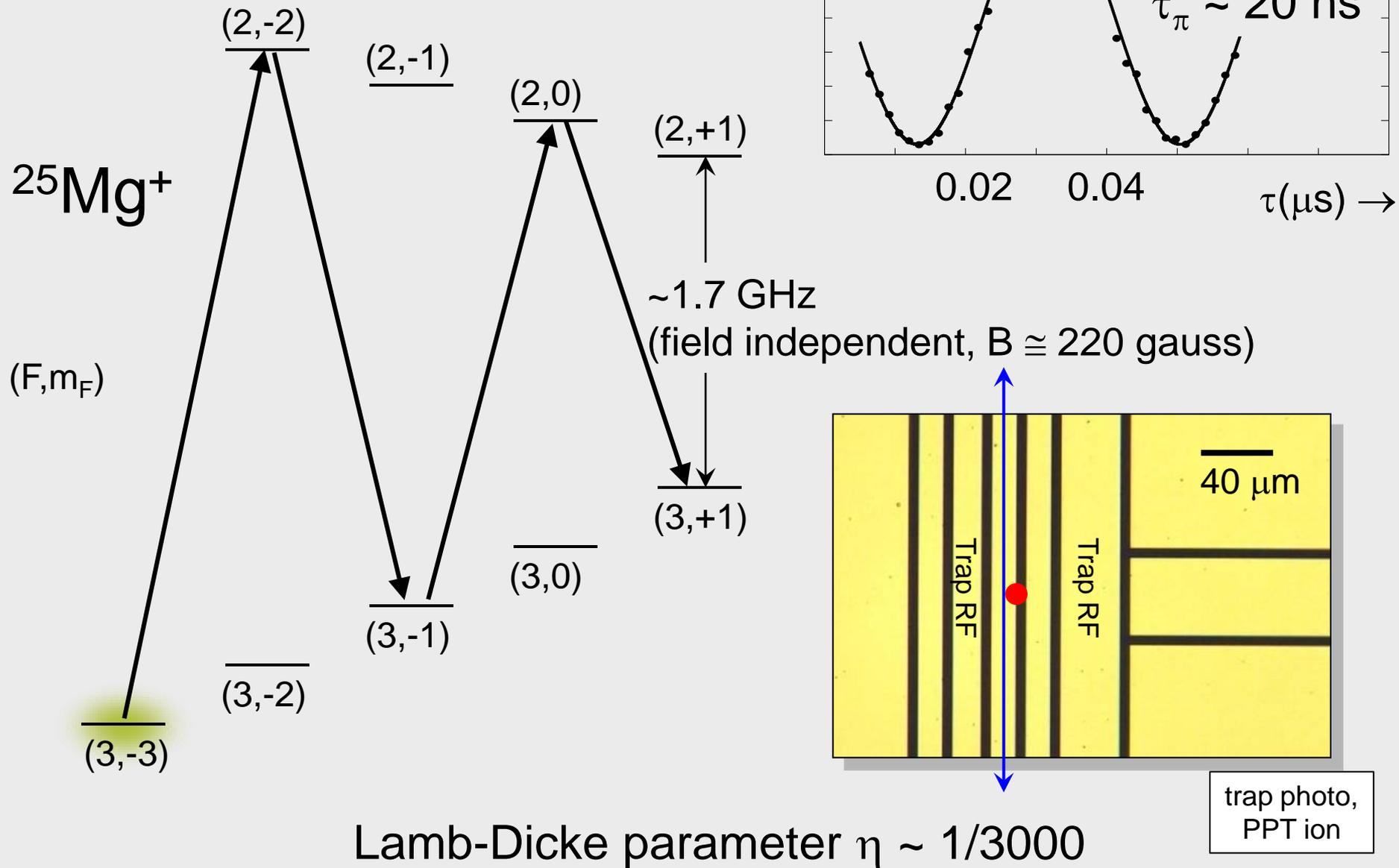
AC magnetic field gradient

Dehmelt – g-2 “AC Stern Gerlach effect”

NIST:

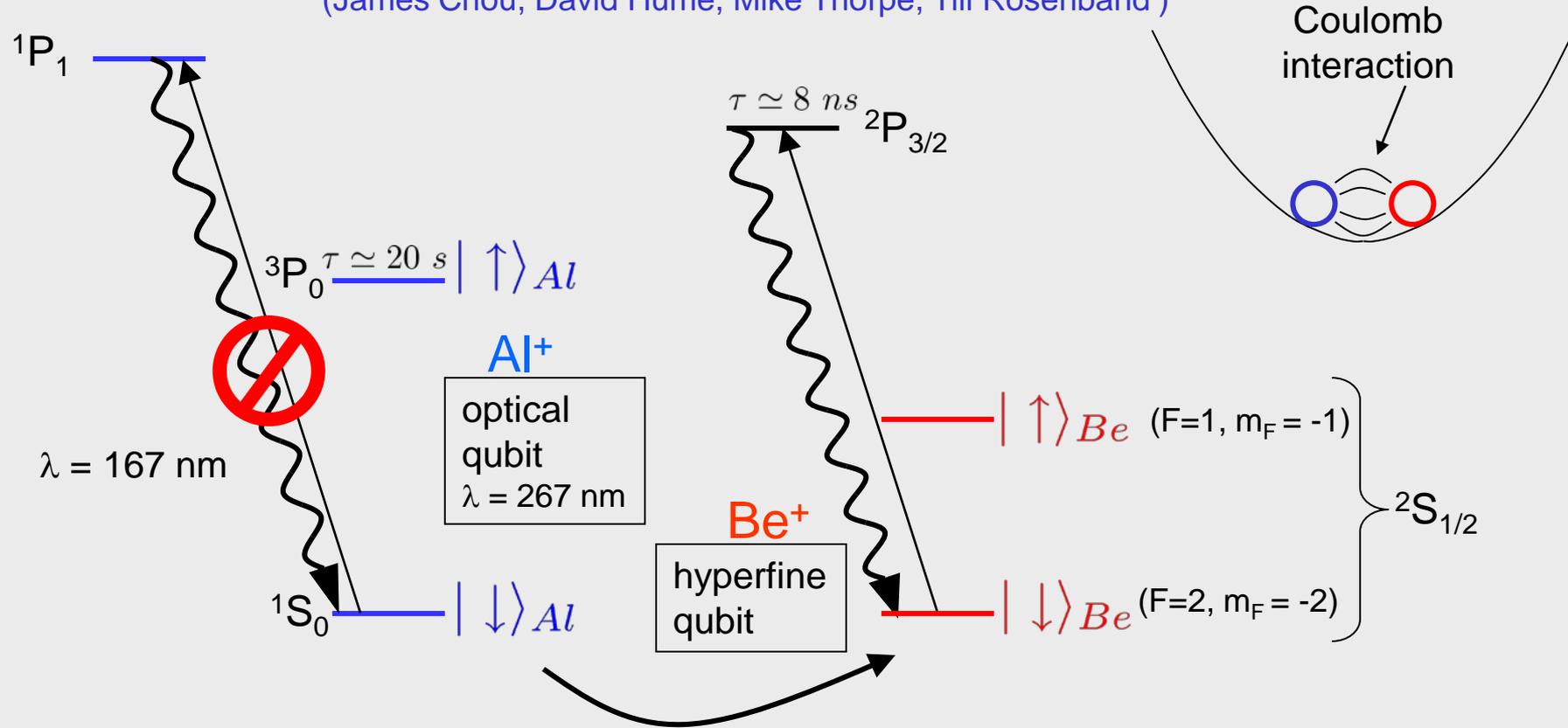
Christian Ospelkaus *et al.*, PRL **101**, 090502 (2008)

# “5-wire” surface-electrode trap (Christian Ospelkaus, Ulrich Warring, ...)



# Applications to metrology: Al<sup>+</sup> “quantum-logic clock”

(James Chou, David Hume, Mike Thorpe, Till Rosenband)



$$\Psi = \alpha |^1S_0\rangle_{Al} + \beta |^3P_0\rangle_{Al} \rightarrow \text{motion} \rightarrow \alpha |^1S_0\rangle_{Al} |\uparrow\rangle_{Be} + \beta |^3P_0\rangle_{Al} |\downarrow\rangle_{Be}$$

# Shopping list:

- “More and better”
  - ◆ reduce gate errors further
  - ◆ scale to many qubits
- couple ion qubits to other quantum systems
  - \* e.g., macroscopic systems
- simulations, applications in spectroscopy
- smaller structures  $\Rightarrow$  everything gets better
  - ◆ but, solve heating problem!

# Ion “trapology” workshop (NIST Boulder, February 16, 17, 2011)

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