

Quantum Computation with Spins and Excitons in Semiconductor Quantum Dots (Part I)

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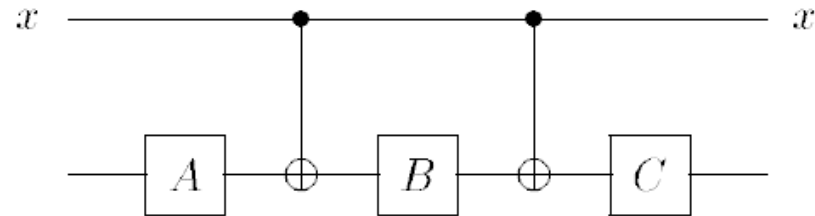
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Quantum Computing and Quantum Control Theory

Qubits and quantum gates



Control of a quantum system

$$H = H_0 + H_{control}(t, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots)$$

$$|\Psi\rangle = \alpha|\psi_0\rangle + \beta|\psi_1\rangle + \gamma|\psi_2\rangle + \delta|\psi_3\rangle + \dots$$

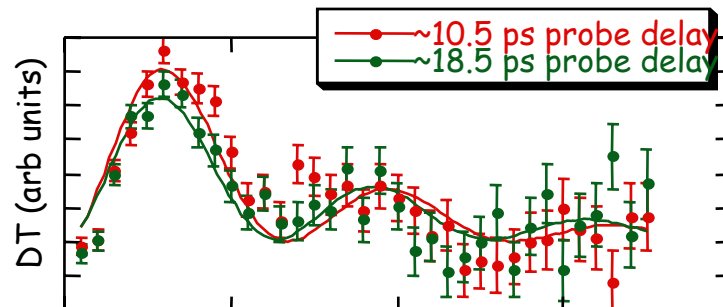
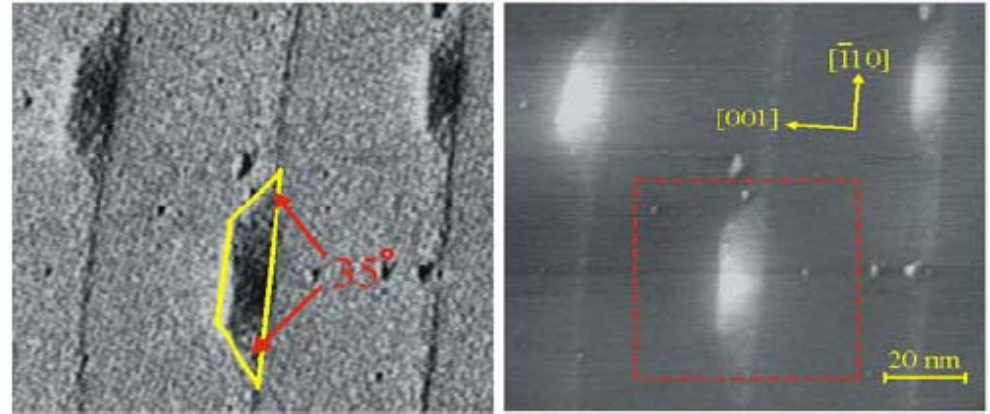
Control Design and Optimization

Quantum Dots

Optics

Today (Friday)

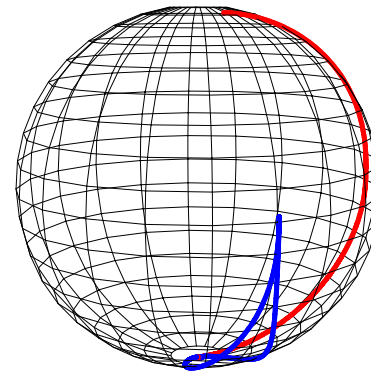
Quantum Dots



Optical Quantum Control of Excitons and Biexcitons in Quantum Dots

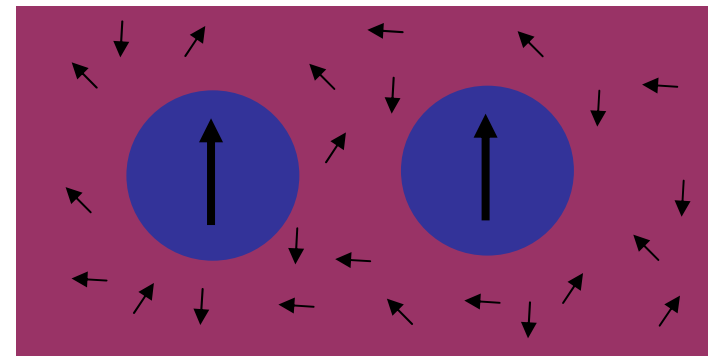
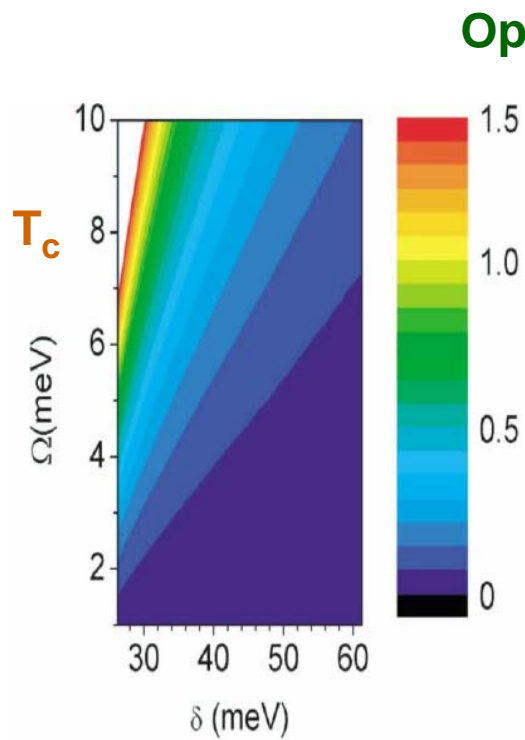
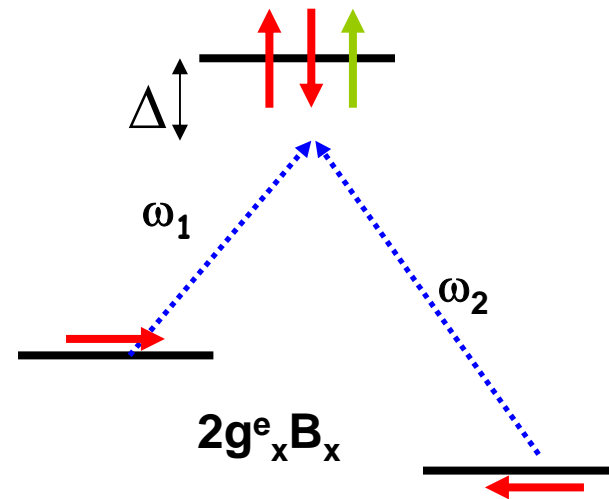
Two-Qubit problem in a QD

Pulse Shaping



Monday

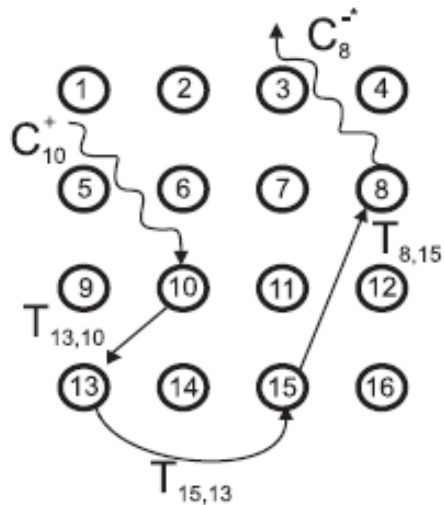
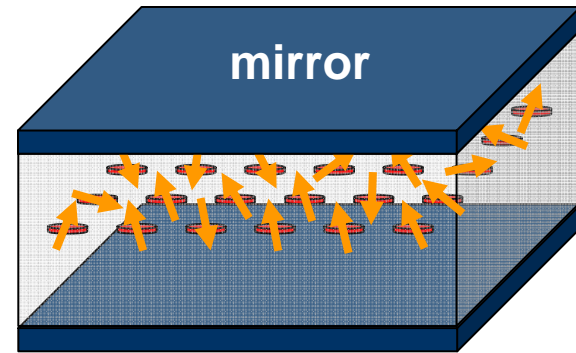
Optical Quantum Control of Spins and Trions in Quantum Dots



Optically Induced Ferromagnetism

Tuesday

Bragg Polaritons
Cavity QED and Spin

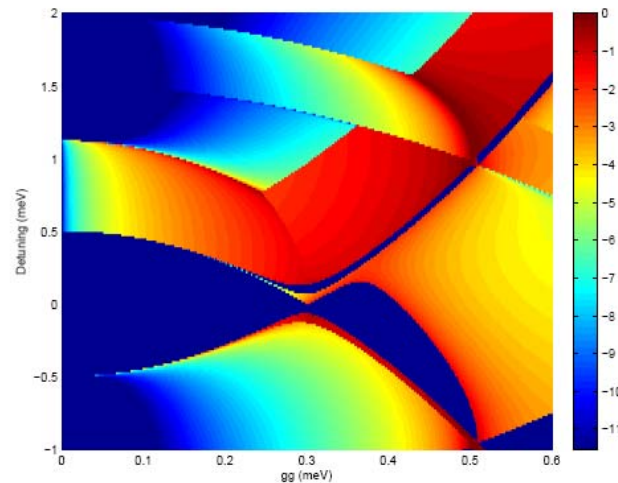


Multi-spin Interaction

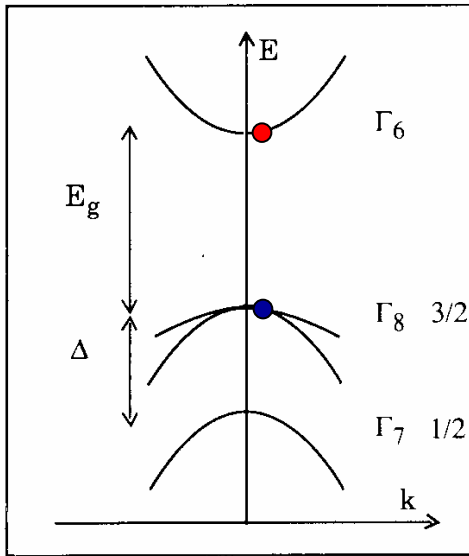
$$\hat{H}_T = \sum_{i>j} \tilde{J}_{ij}^{(2)} S_{iz} S_{jz} + \sum_{i>j>k>l} \tilde{J}_{ijkl}^{(4)} S_{iz} S_{jz} S_{kz} S_{lz} + \dots$$

Ground State
Multi-Spin-Entanglement

$$|GHZ\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\rangle + |\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\rangle)$$



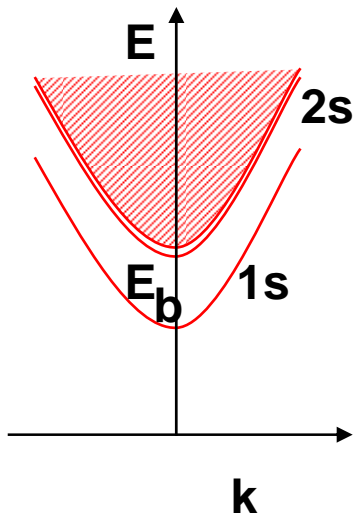
GaAs



Excitons are elementary optical excitations in semiconductors

The photo-excited electron and hole bind and propagate through the crystal (G. H. Wannier PR 37)

Hydrogen-like spectrum



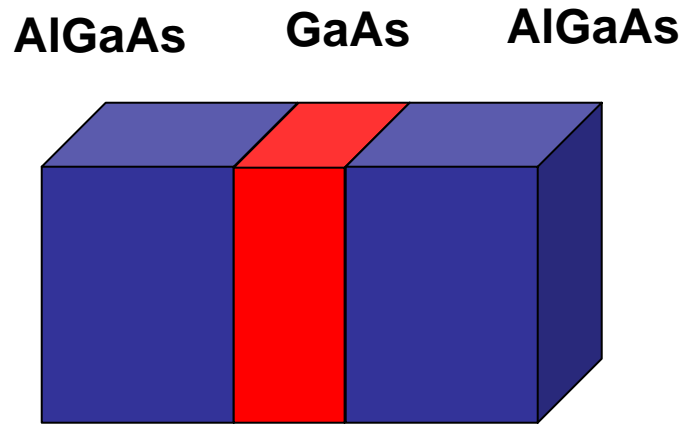
$$a_B = \frac{\hbar^2 \epsilon}{\mu^* e^2} \approx 80 \text{ \AA}$$

$$E_b = \frac{\mu^* e^4}{2\epsilon^2 \hbar^2} \approx 5 \text{ meV}$$

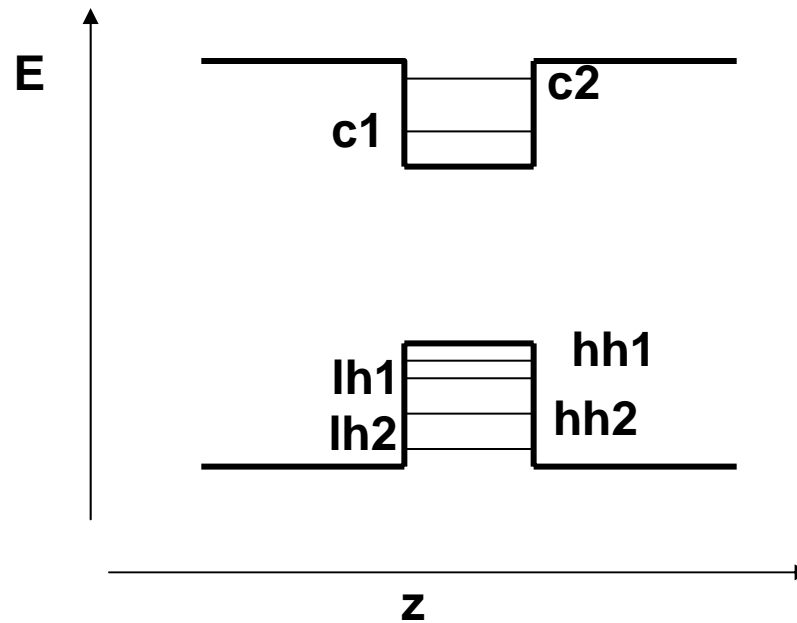
$$\mu^* \approx 0.05 m_0$$

$$\epsilon \approx 13$$

Excitons confined in a quantum well



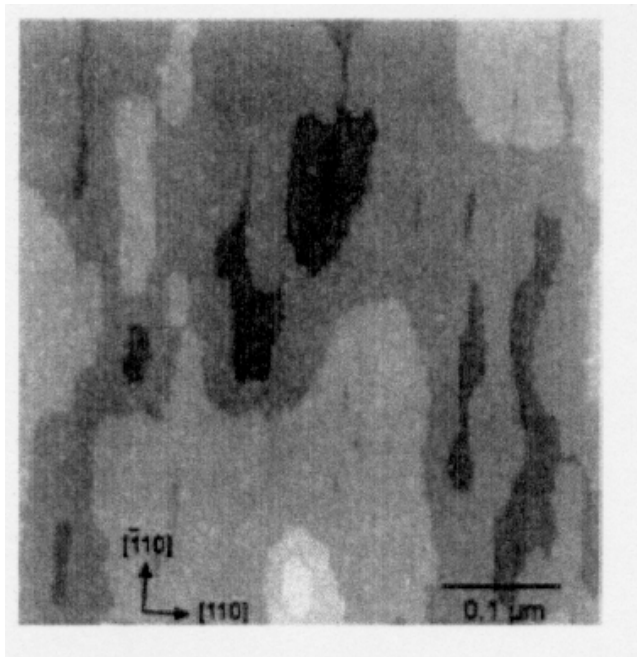
Growth direction [001]



In plane $k_{//}$ is a good quantum number

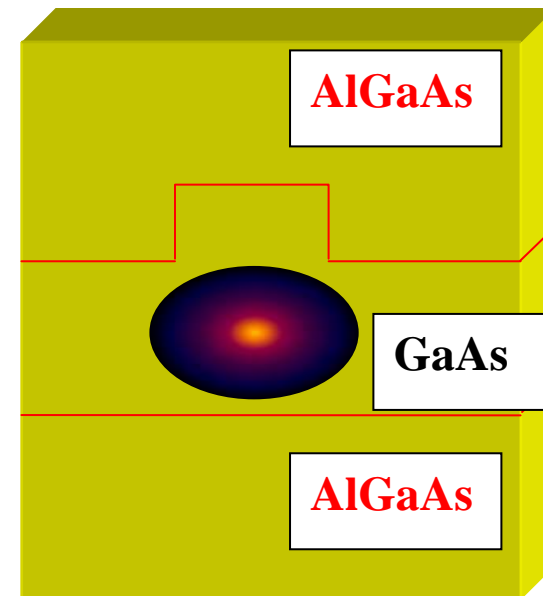
Propagation allowed only in the in-plane direction

Semiconductor Quantum Dots

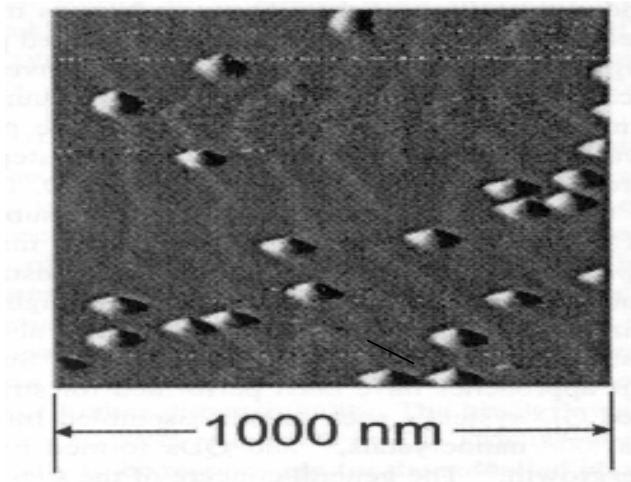


D.Gammon et al, Phys. Rev. Lett.
76,3005 (1996)

Interface fluctuation quantum dots
(30 nm)



Quantum Dots



Strain-induced quantum dots (3 nm)

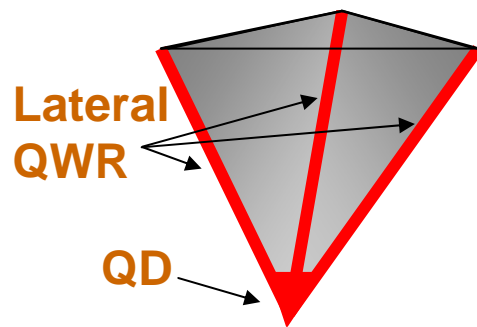
A. Zrenner *et al.*
J. Chem. Phys.
112, 7790 (2000)

Self assembled

InAs lattice mismatch

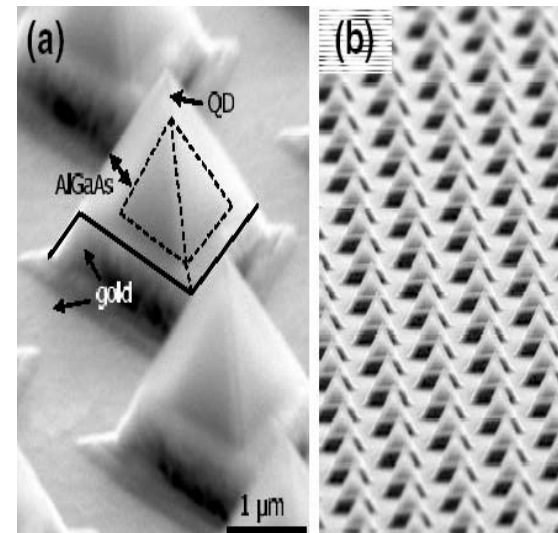


Pyramidal dots



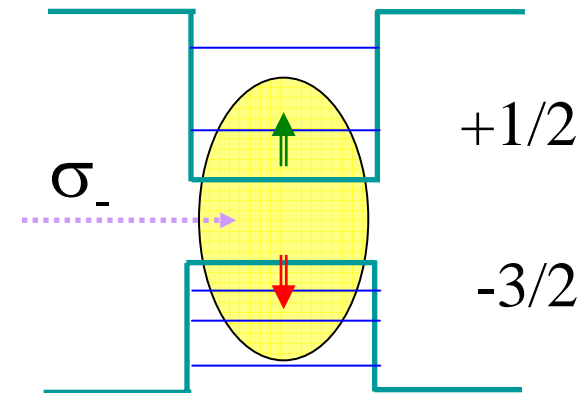
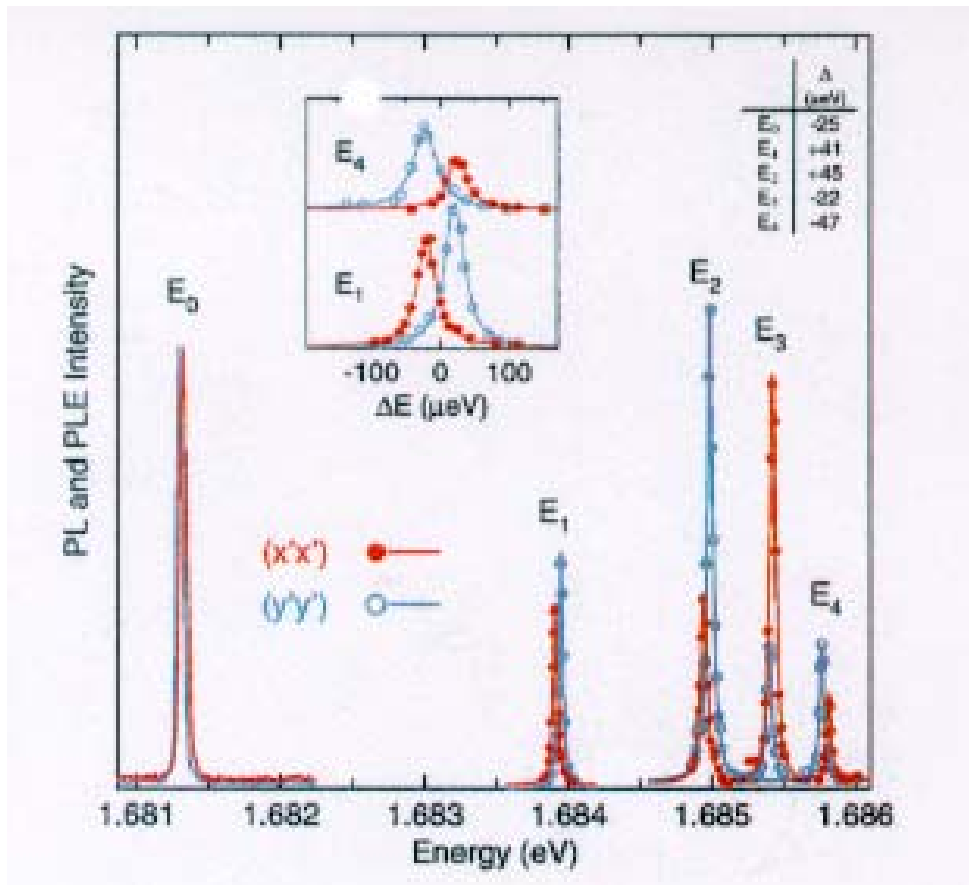
Self-limited growth (6 nm)

A. Hartmann *et al.*
J. Phys. Cond. Matt.
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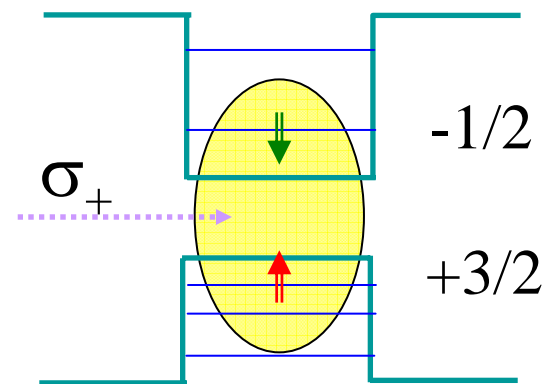


Excitons in a single QD

Interface fluctuation QD



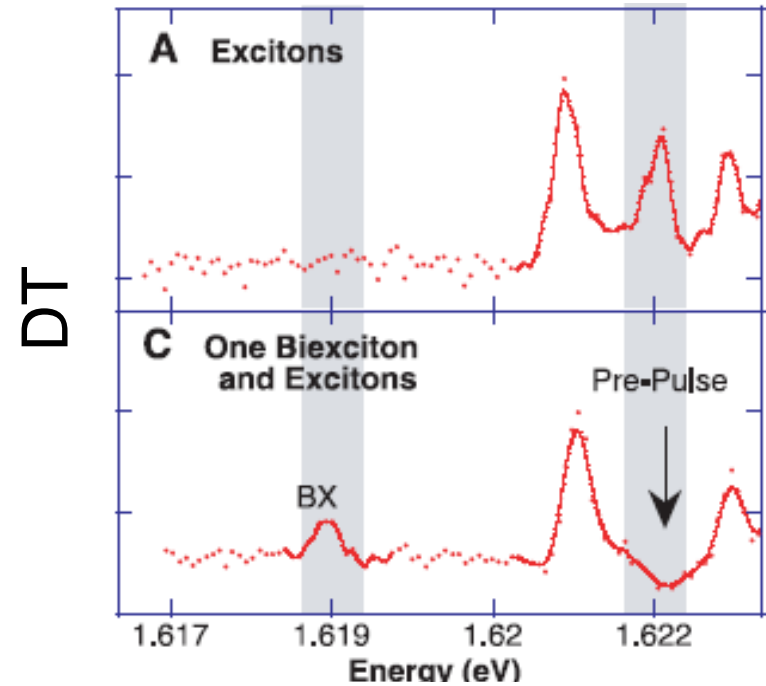
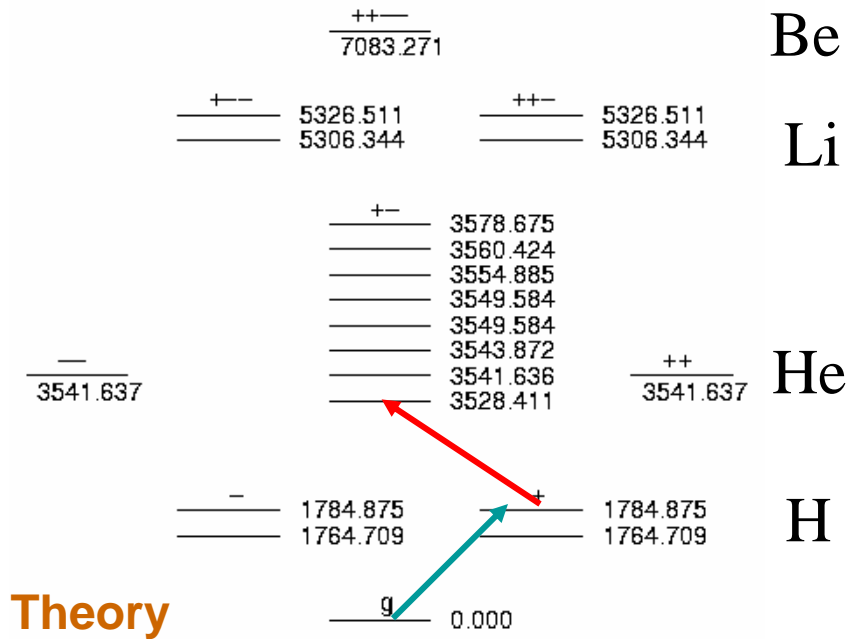
$$X_- = e^{\uparrow} h^{\downarrow} |G\rangle$$



$$X_+ = e^{\downarrow} h^{\uparrow} |G\rangle$$

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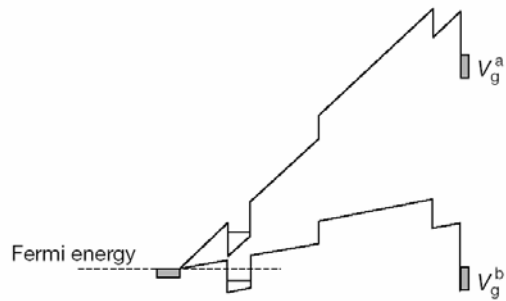
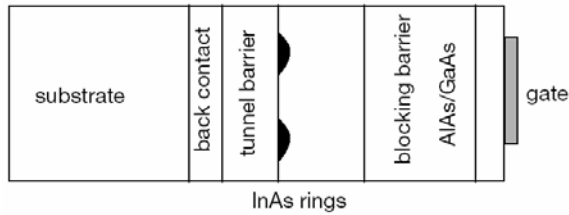
Multiexciton States



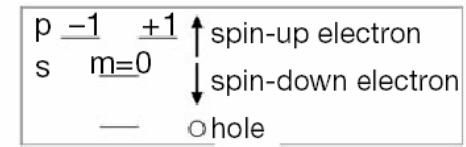
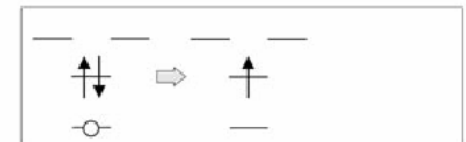
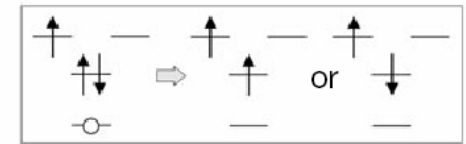
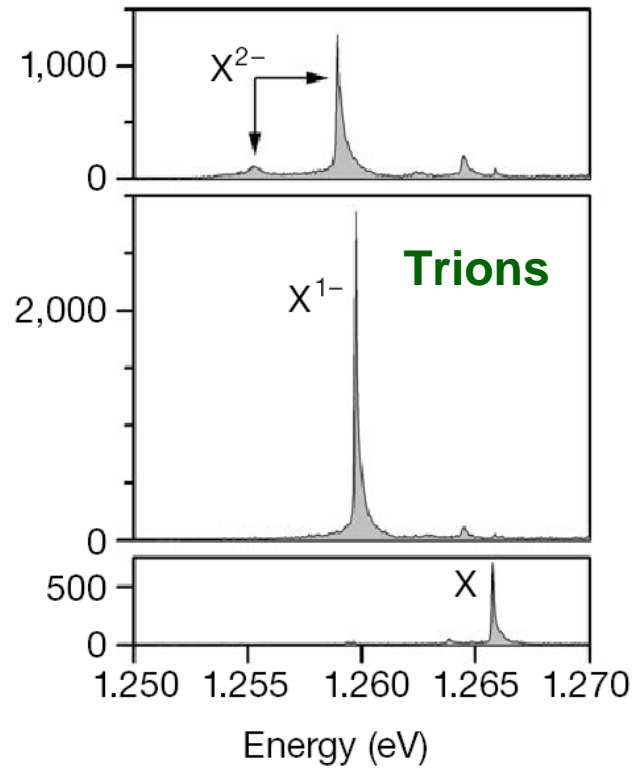
A QD is an “atom” where the number of protons and electrons can be controlled

X. Li et al Science 2003

Excitons in Charged Dots



Optics in a single-charge tunable Quantum Dot



**Warburton *et al*,
Nature 405, 926 (2000)**

Optical Control

Direct Control of the Exciton and Biexciton state

$$|\Psi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|+\rangle + \gamma|-\rangle + \delta|-\rangle + \delta|-\rangle$$

Rabi Rotations

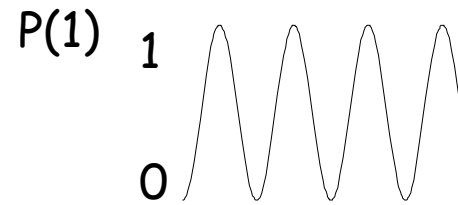
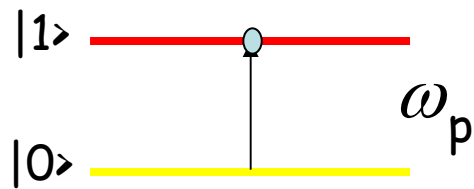
Light used for an indirect control of two spins

$$|\Psi\rangle = \alpha|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle + \beta|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle + \gamma|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + \delta|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$$

Adiabatic Raman Control, ORKKY

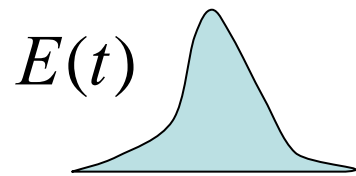
Rabi Oscillations

Two Level System



Rabi frequency

$$\Omega_R = \frac{d \cdot |E|}{\hbar}$$



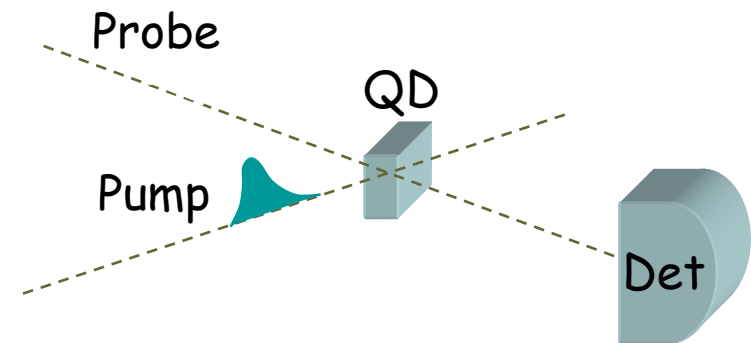
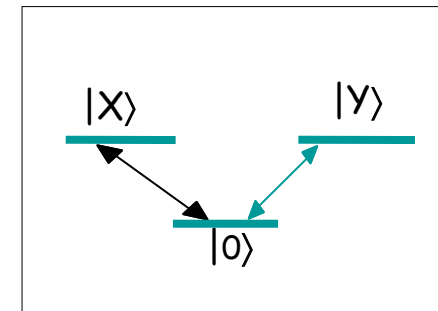
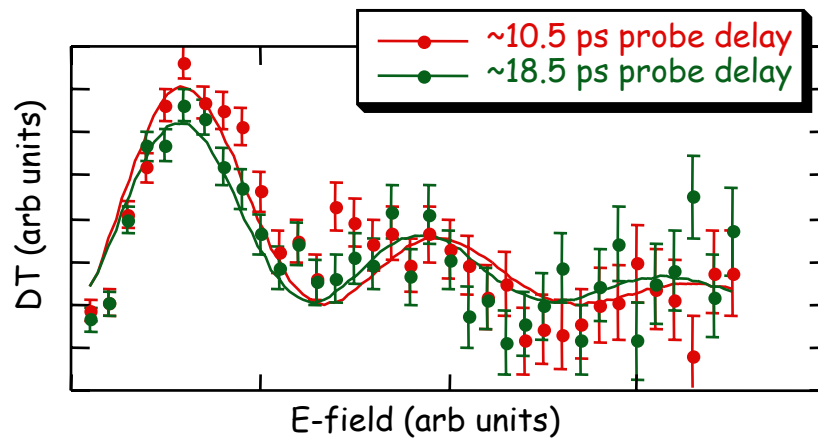
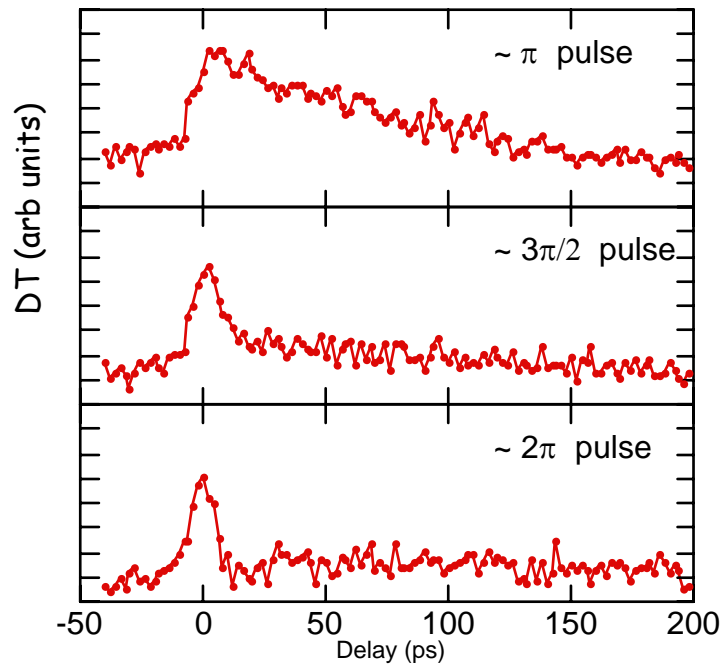
$$U = e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} \int dt H(t)} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\left(\frac{\beta}{2}\right) & -e^{i\alpha} \sin\left(\frac{\beta}{2}\right) \\ e^{-i\alpha} \sin\left(\frac{\beta}{2}\right) & \cos\left(\frac{\beta}{2}\right) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\beta = \int dt \Omega_R(t)$$

Optical Pulses give a full quantum control of the two level system

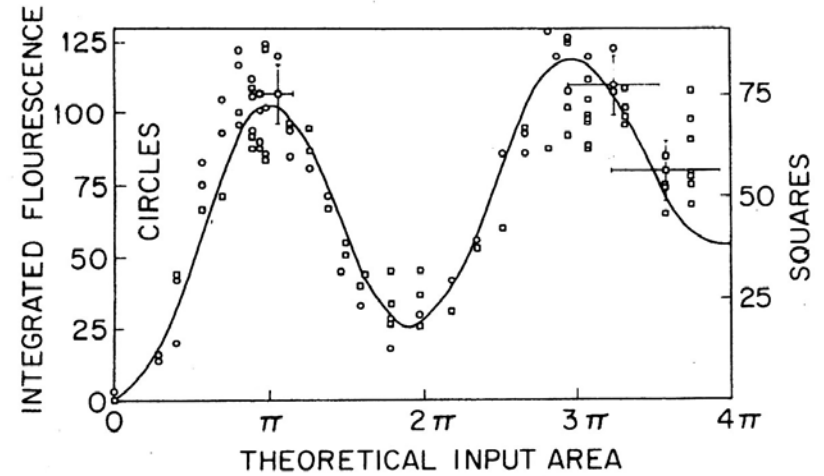
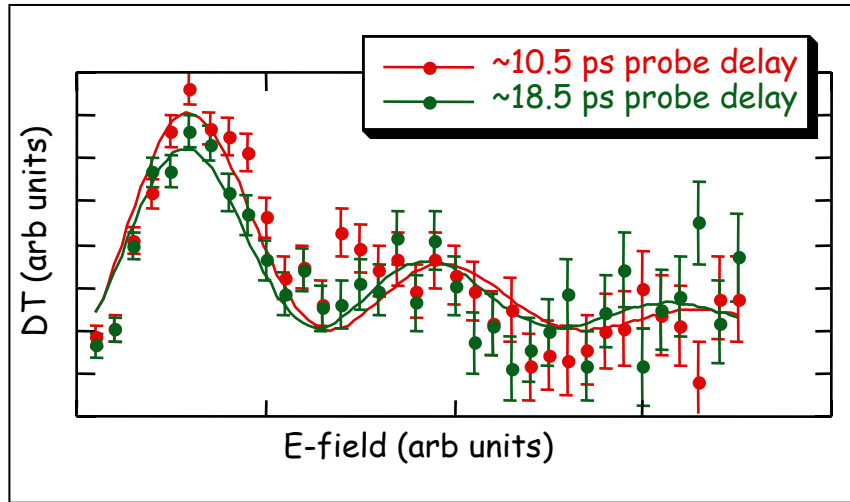
$$a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle$$

Rabi Oscillations of Excitons



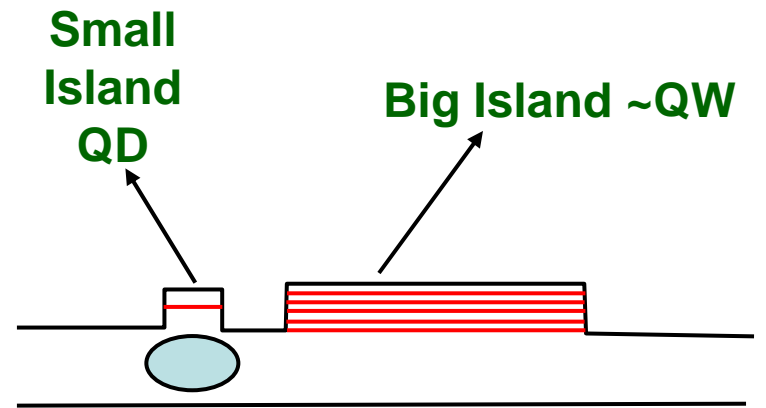
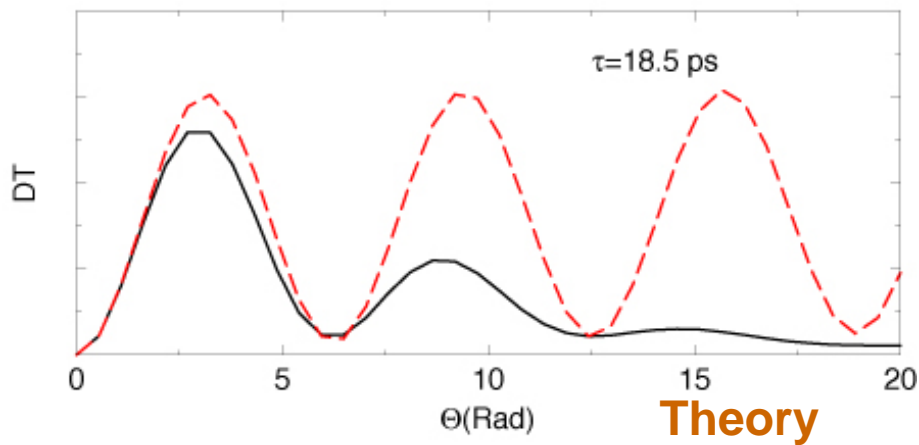
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Excitons vs Atoms

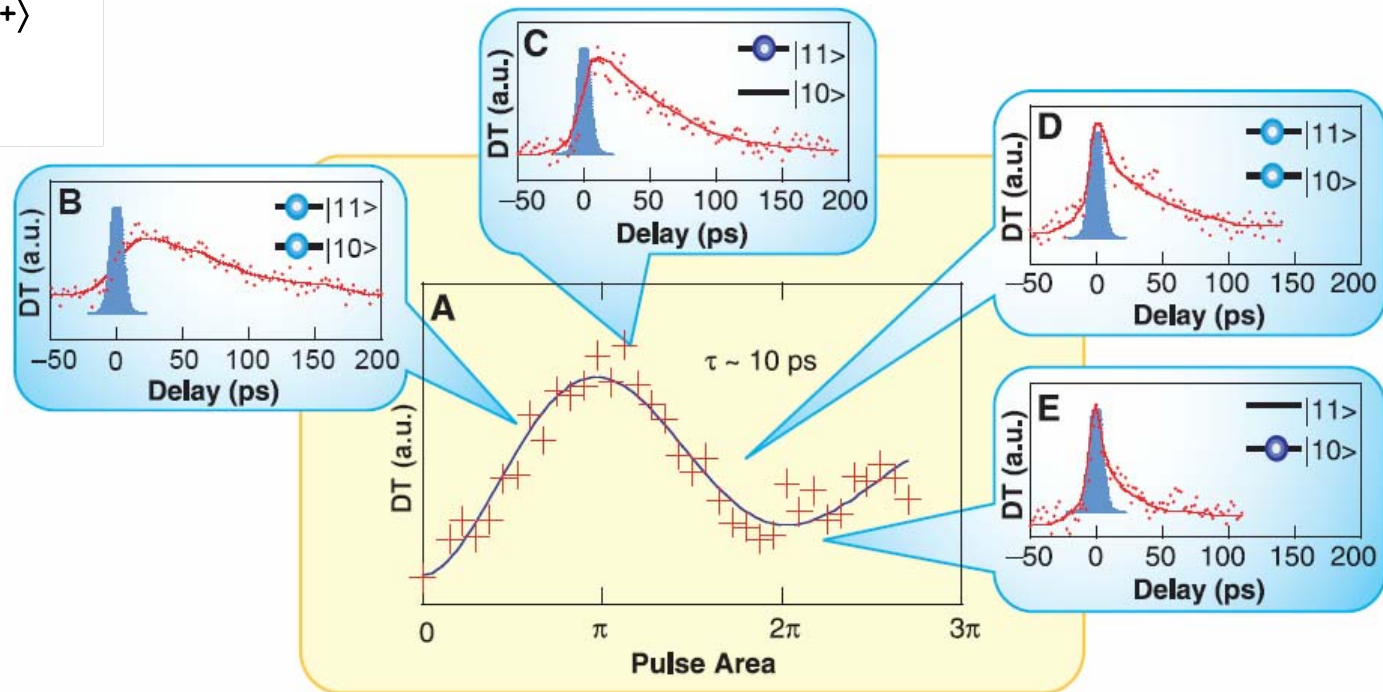
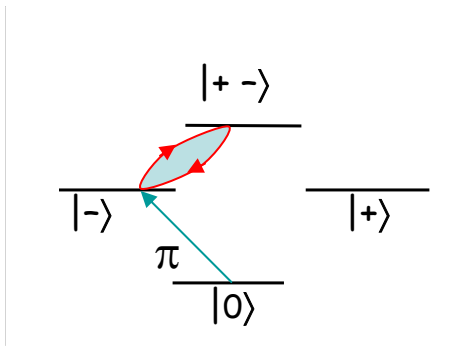


Atoms, H. Gibbs, (1973)

$$\frac{1}{T_1} = \gamma + \lambda n_{exciton}$$



Control of Biexcitons



Ready to be used as a
two-qubit quantum
computer

X. Li, Y. Wu, D. Steel D. Gammon, T.H. Stievater, D. S. Katzer, D. Park, C. Piermarocchi, and L. J. Sham, *Science* 301, 811 (2003)

Excitons are qubits

Qubit #1

1	$ -\rangle$ Exciton
0	$ 0\rangle$

**Single qubit #1
rotations are
provided by
pulses** σ_-

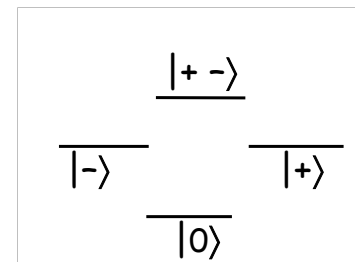
Qubit #2

1	$ +\rangle$ Exciton
0	$ 0\rangle$

**Single qubit #2
rotations are
provided by
pulses** σ_+

$$H_1 \otimes H_2$$

$ 11\rangle$	$ +-\rangle$
$ 10\rangle$	$ +\rangle$
$ 01\rangle$	$ -\rangle$
$ 00\rangle$	$ 0\rangle$

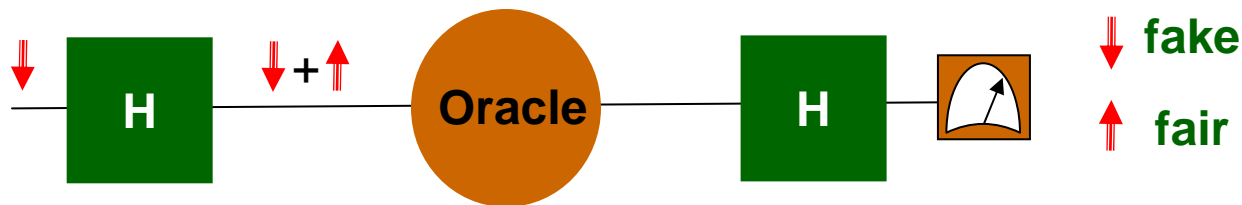


The Deutsch-Jozsa Parlor Game

4 different coins: two fair and two fake

An Oracle looks at one side of a coin and tells you if it is head or tail

How many consultation of the Oracle do you need to find out if a coin is fair or fake?



Using quantum superposition and quantum interference only one consultation is needed

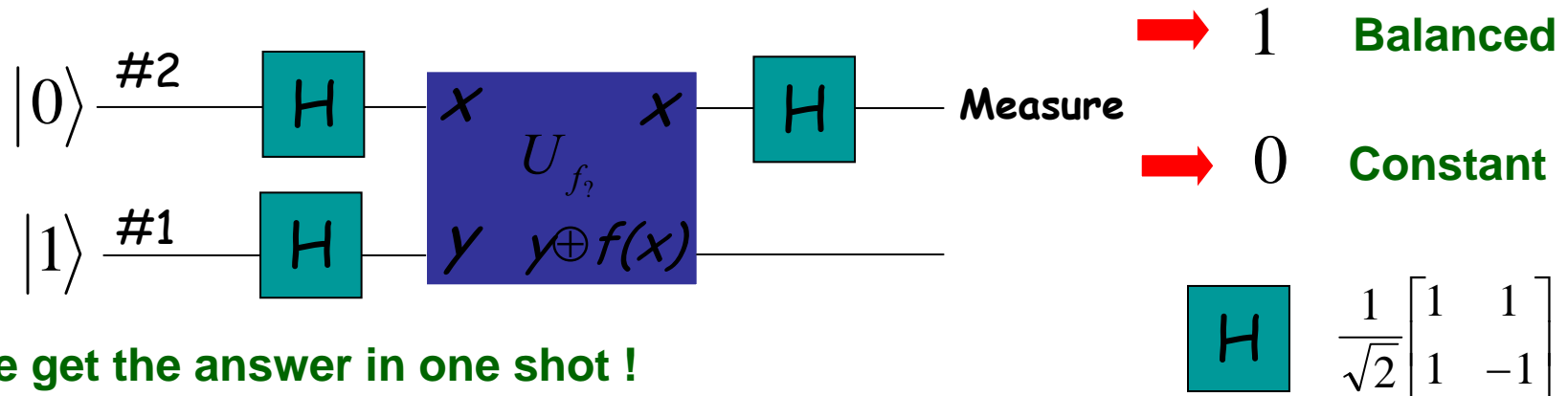
Deutsch problem

$f_2(x)$ constant or balanced?

Classical computing: I have to evaluate both

$f_2(0)$ $f_2(1)$ and compare the results.

Quantum computing: build a Unitary transformation associated to f_2 acting on two qubits

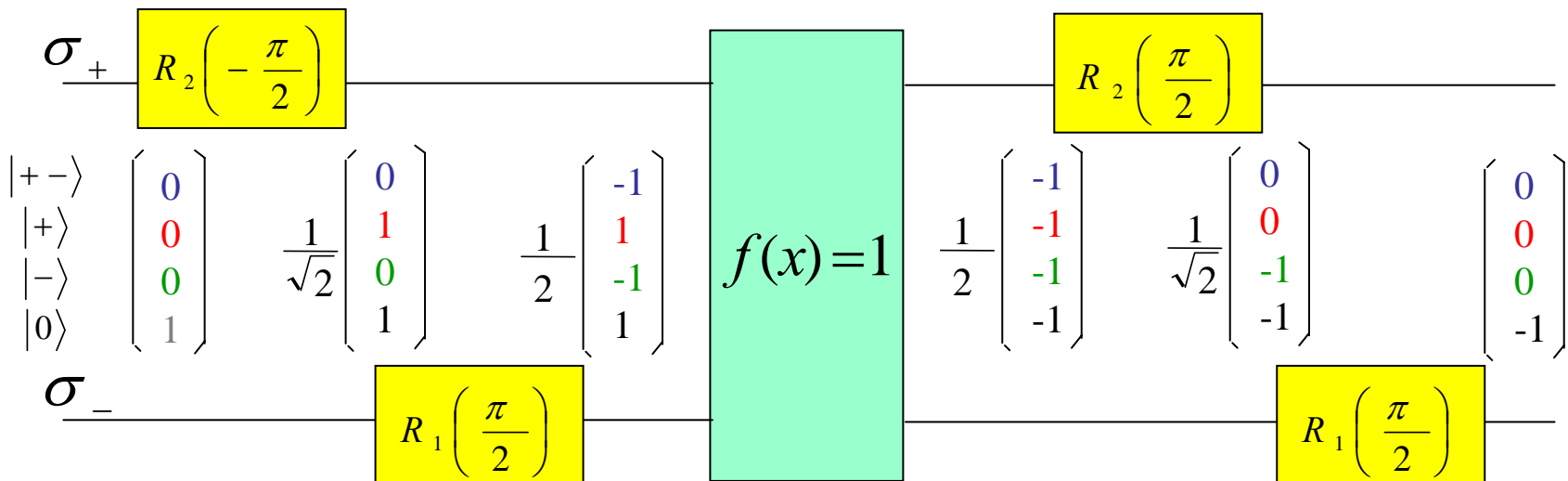
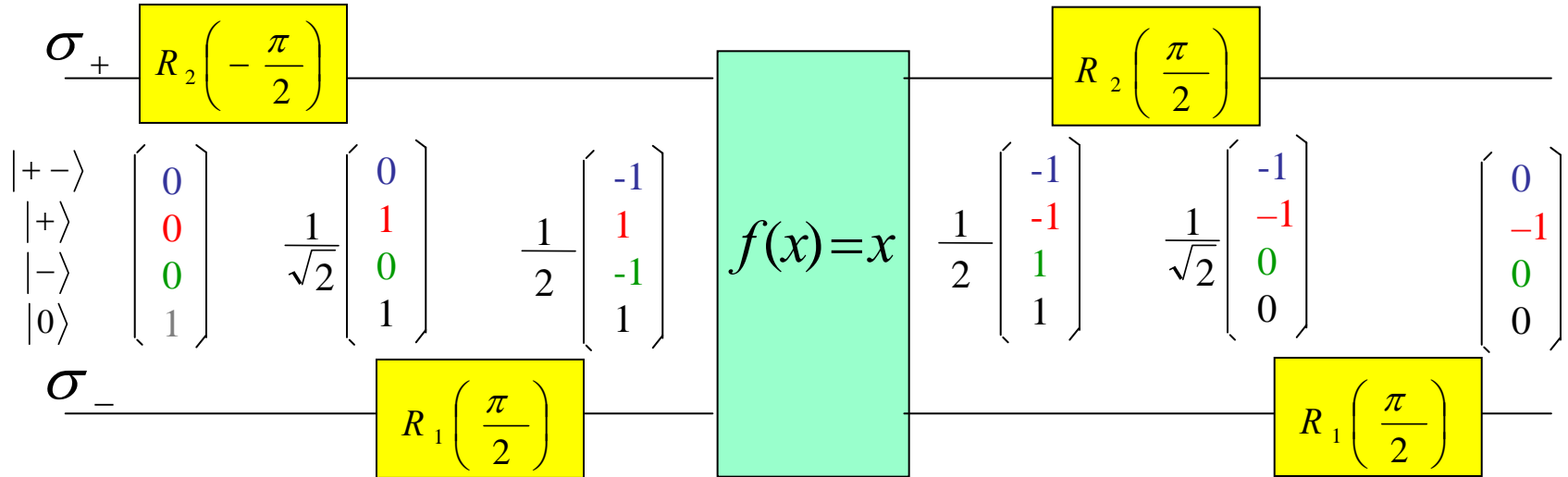


We get the answer in one shot !

$$U_{f_?} \left| \begin{matrix} 2 & 1 \\ m, n \end{matrix} \right\rangle = R_1^{f_?(m)}(\pi) |m, n\rangle$$

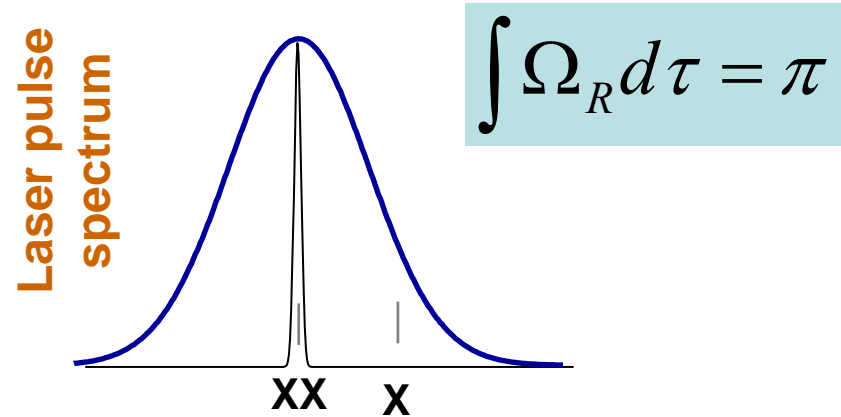
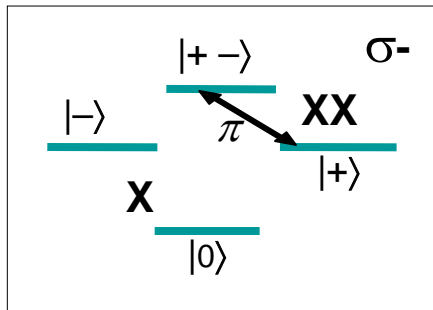
$R_1^1(\pi)$ Rotates $+\pi$

$R_1^0(\pi)$ Rotates $-\pi$

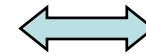


Optimization of the design: Pulse Shaping

Double two-level system



Resonant Excitation



Long Pulses

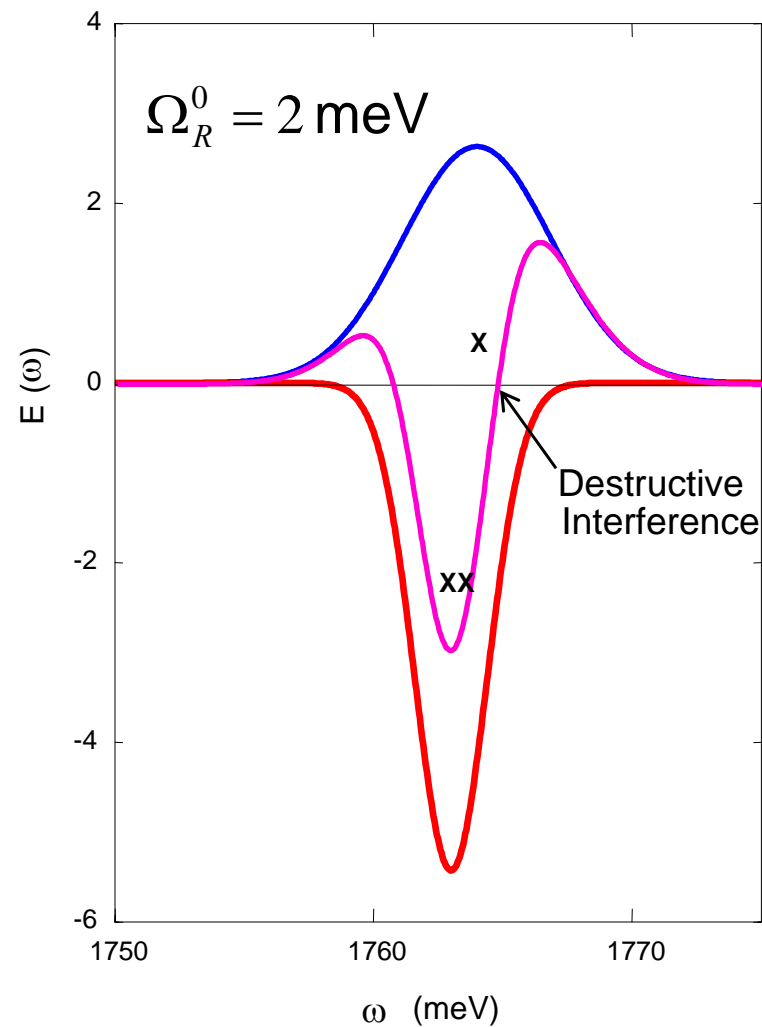
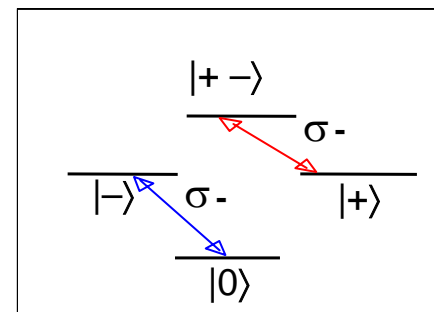
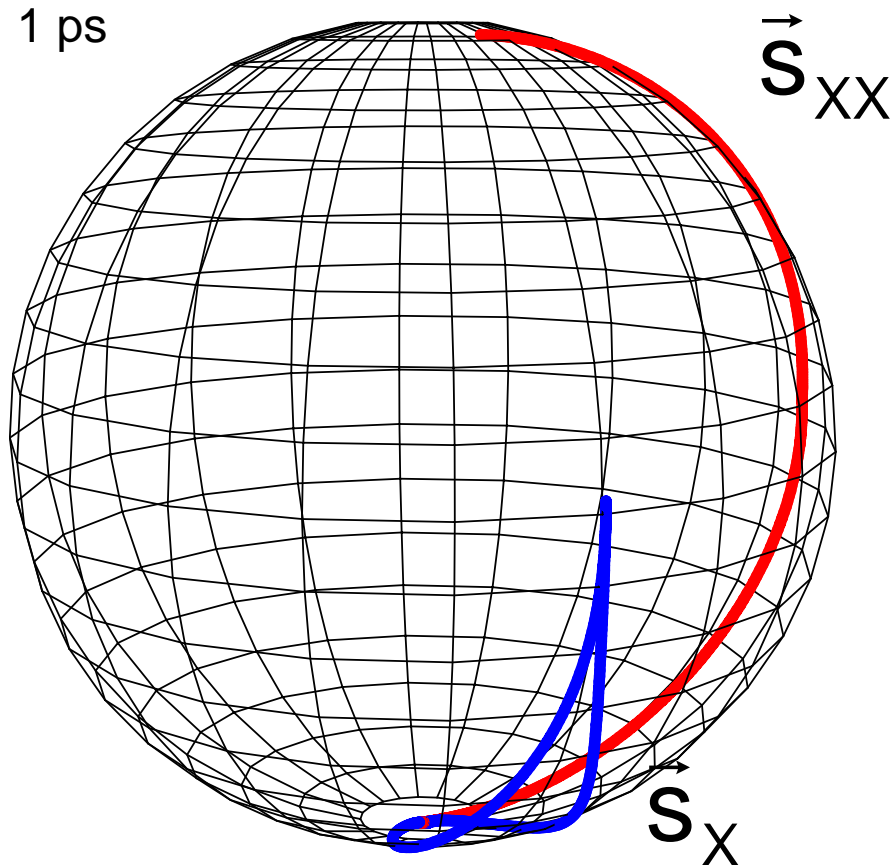
Dephasing (~ 40 ps)

Short time for the operation

Two phase-locked pulses:

$$\Omega_R(t) = \Omega_R^0 \left(e^{-(t/s)^2} e^{-i\omega_X t} + e^{-(t/s1)^2} e^{-i\omega_{XX} t - i\pi} \right)$$

1 ps



Fidelity: $\left| \langle \psi_{in} | \tilde{U}^\dagger U_{ideal} | \psi_{in} \rangle \right|^2$

F=0.535 without shaping

F=0.995 with shaping

Analytical Methods

$$H_{control}(t, s, s_1, \Omega_0)$$

Numerical maximization of the Fidelity

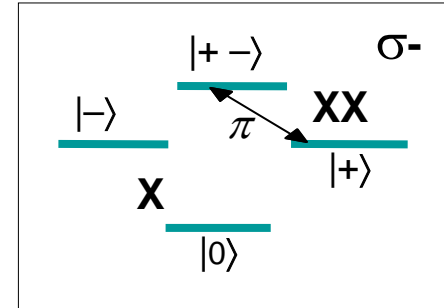
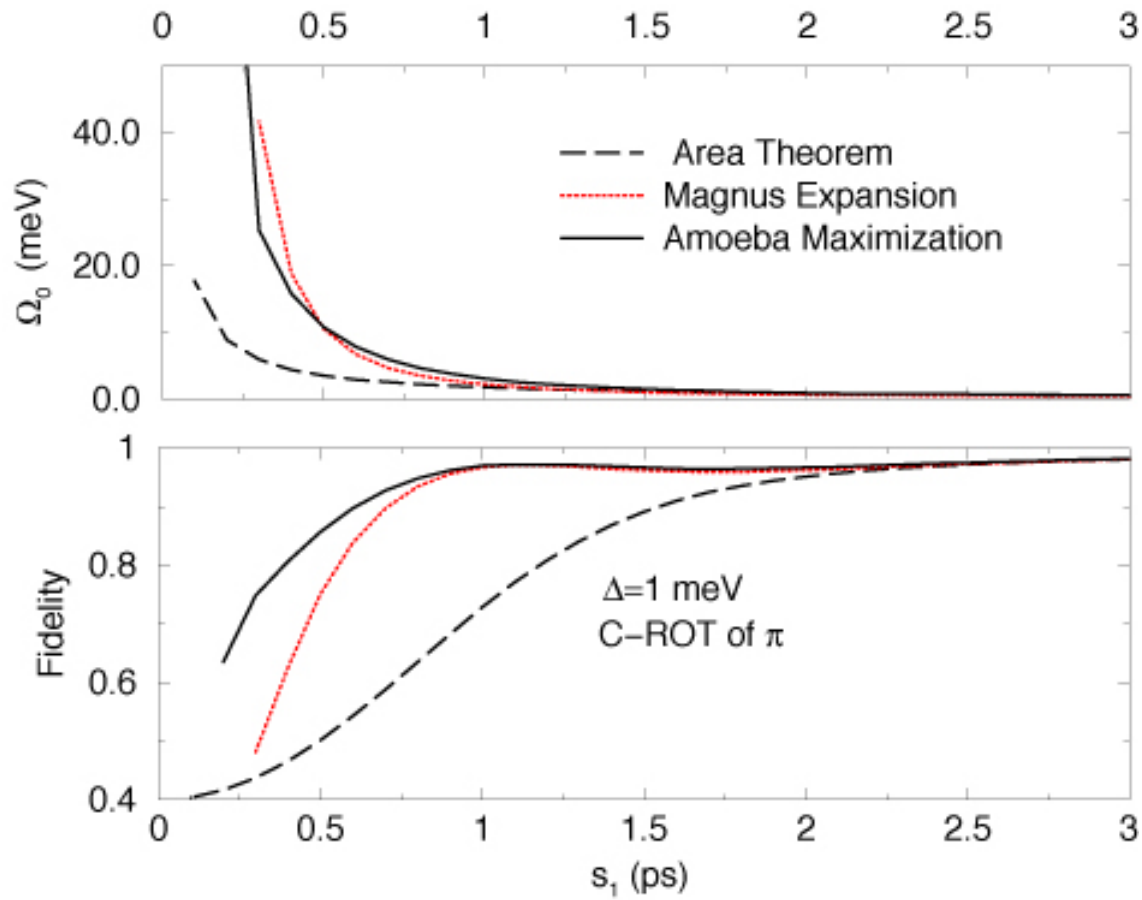
Magnus expansion

$$U = T e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^{\infty} H_C(t) dt} = e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} (S^1_C + S^2_C + S^3_C + \dots)}$$
$$S^1_C = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} H_C(t) dt \quad S^2_C = \frac{-i}{8} \int_0^{\infty} dt \int_0^t dt' [H_C(t), H_C(t')]$$

For a given U is possible to find an analytical expressions for the control parameters

C. Piermarocchi , P. Chen, and L. J. Sham, PRB (2002)

C-ROT



Magnus expansion

$$s = s_1 e^{-(\Delta s_1/2)^2}$$

$$\Omega_0 = \sqrt{\pi} (s_1 - s e^{-(\Delta s/2)^2})$$

Simulation of Deutsch in a QD

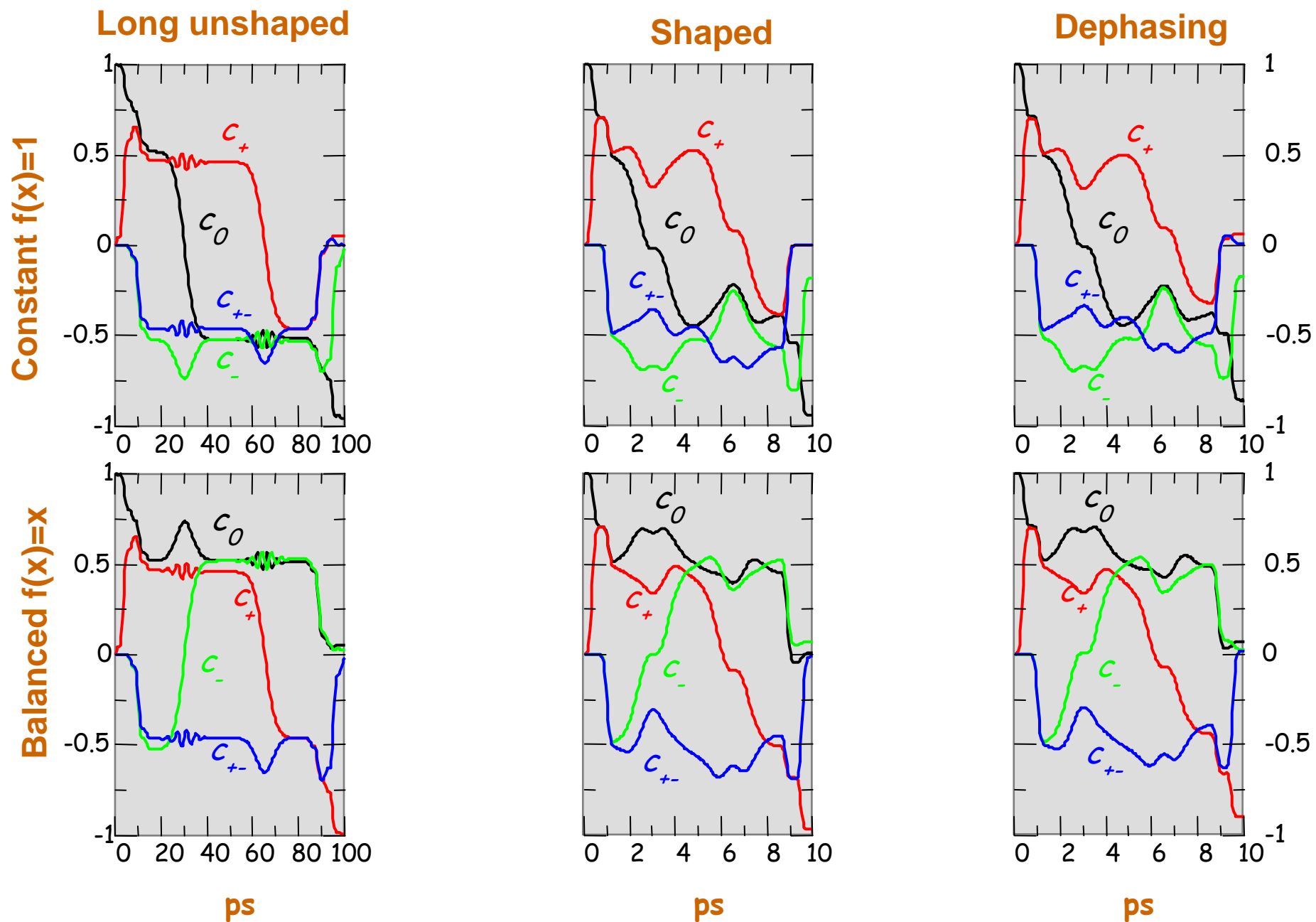
Six multi-exciton states with 4 level for 2 qubits. (Other states are sufficiently far away.)

Decoherence included

Pulse shaping

Pochung Chen, C. Piermarocchi, L. J. Sham, *Control of Spin Dynamics of Excitons in Nanodots for Quantum Operations*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 87, 067401 (2001).

Time Evolution



Conclusions

Control of exciton and biexciton in a QD

Experimentally realized

Readily applicable to two-qubit quantum algorithms

Benchmark for issues in the optical control design

Time Evolution of Two Qubits

