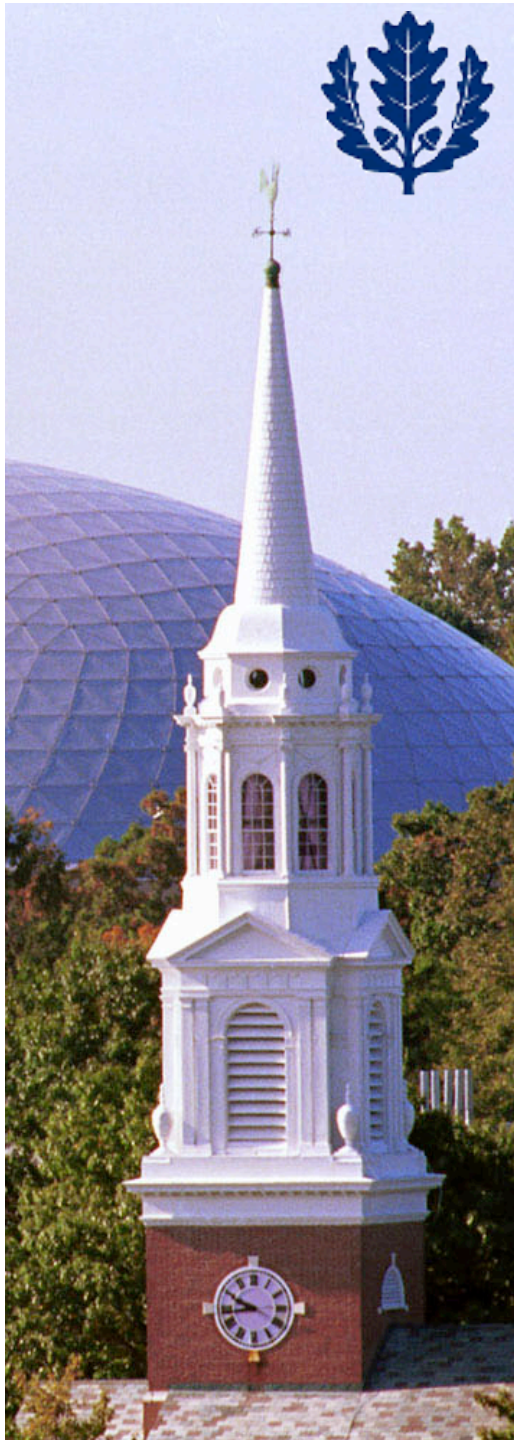




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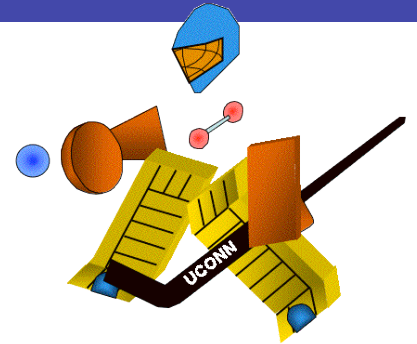
AMO Tutorial 1: trapped ions

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Outline



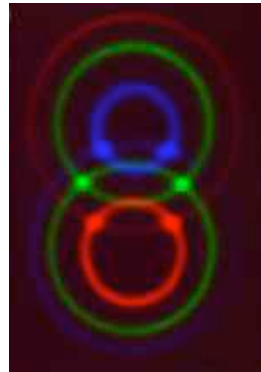
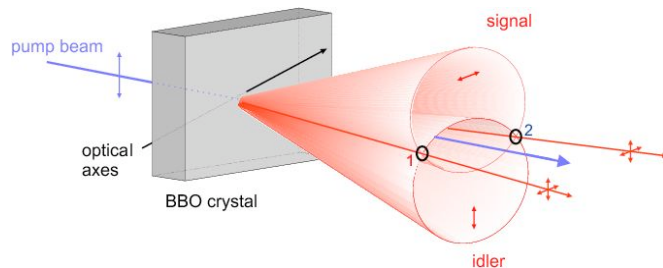
- Introduction/motivation
 - Property wish list
- Overview of AMO platforms
- Trapped ion / atom-ion systems
- Cold atoms
- Cold molecules
- Other applications
- Concluding remarks

Quantum computer wish list

- Stable trapping/storage
- Addressable qubits
- Gates between (separated) qubits
- Long coherence-, short interaction-times
- Scalability
- Strong, switchable interaction
- Readout/initialization

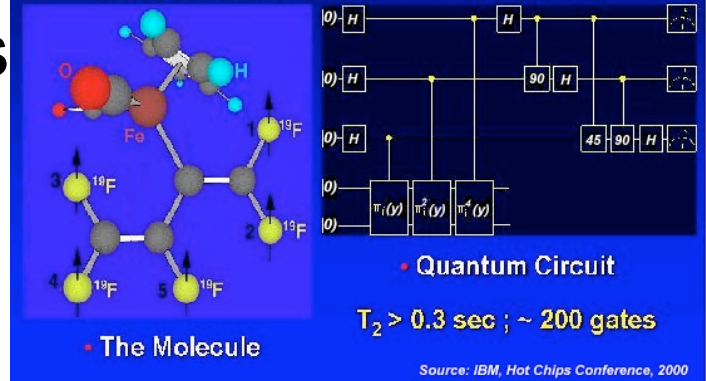
Various platforms

- NMR quantum computing
- Quantum computing with photons

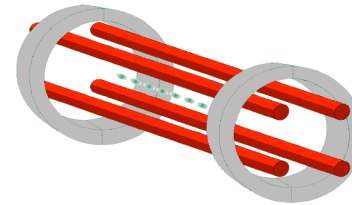
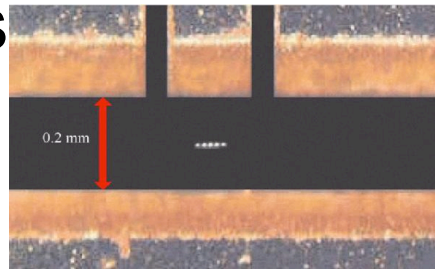


5 qubit 215 Hz Q. Processor

(Vandersypen, Steffen, Breyta Yannoni, Cleve, and Chuang, 2000)

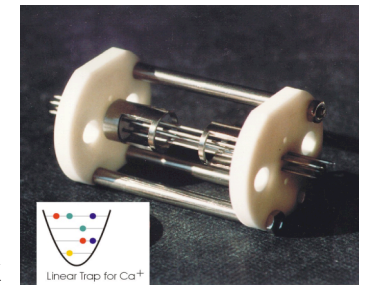


- Cavity QED
- Trapped ions



Blatt group, Innsbruck

Wineland group, Boulder



- Solid state (quantum dots, etc.)
- Neutral cold atoms and molecules

Trapped ion experimental groups pursuing Quantum Information Science:

Aarhus

Barcelona

Berkeley

Garching, MPQ

Georgia Tech

Griffiths University

Innsbruck

LANL

London (Imperial)

U. Maryland

MIT

NIST

NPL, U.K.

Osaka University

Oxford

Paris (Université Paris)

PTB, Germany

Sandia National Lab

Siegen

Simon Fraser University

Singapore

Sussex

Ulm

U. Washington

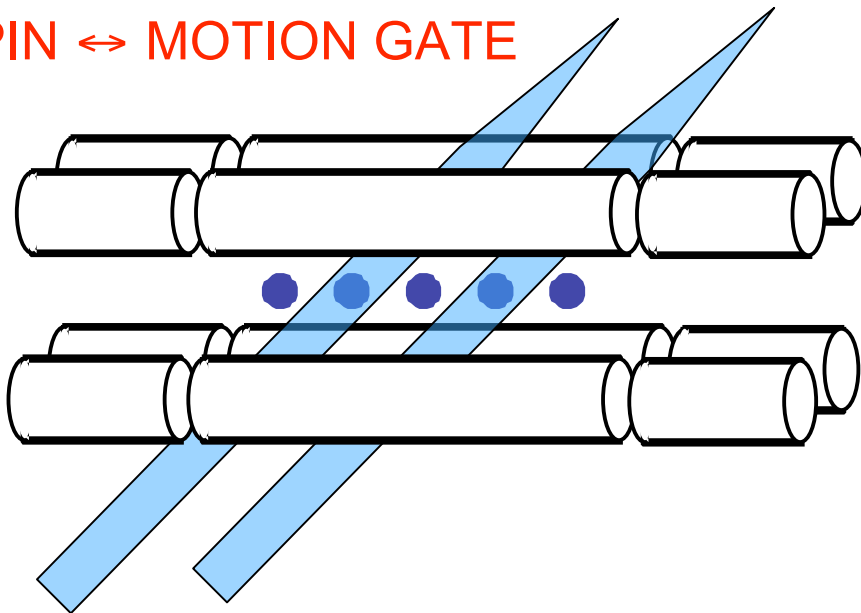
Weizmann Institute

(■ U.S. groups)

Atomic Ion QI processing

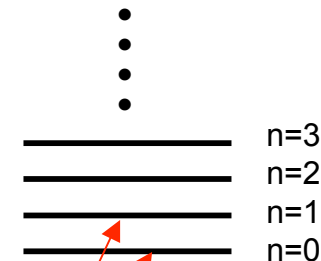
SPIN $\rightarrow$ MOTION MAP

SPIN $\leftrightarrow$ MOTION GATE



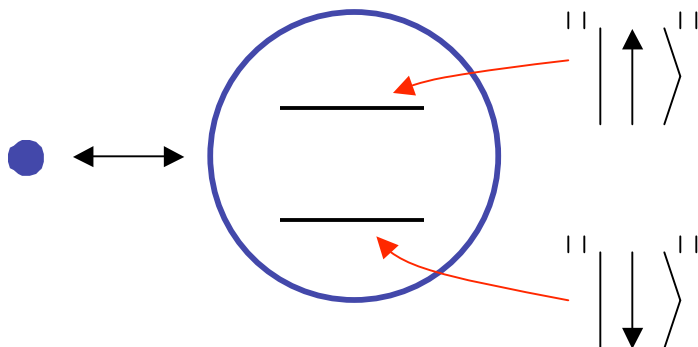
MOTON "DATA BUS"

(e.g., center-of-mass mode)



Motion qubit states

INTERNAL STATE QUBIT



Optical qubits (e.g. Ca^+ , $\lambda = 729 \text{ nm}$)

- radiative decay $\tau \sim 1 \text{ s}$

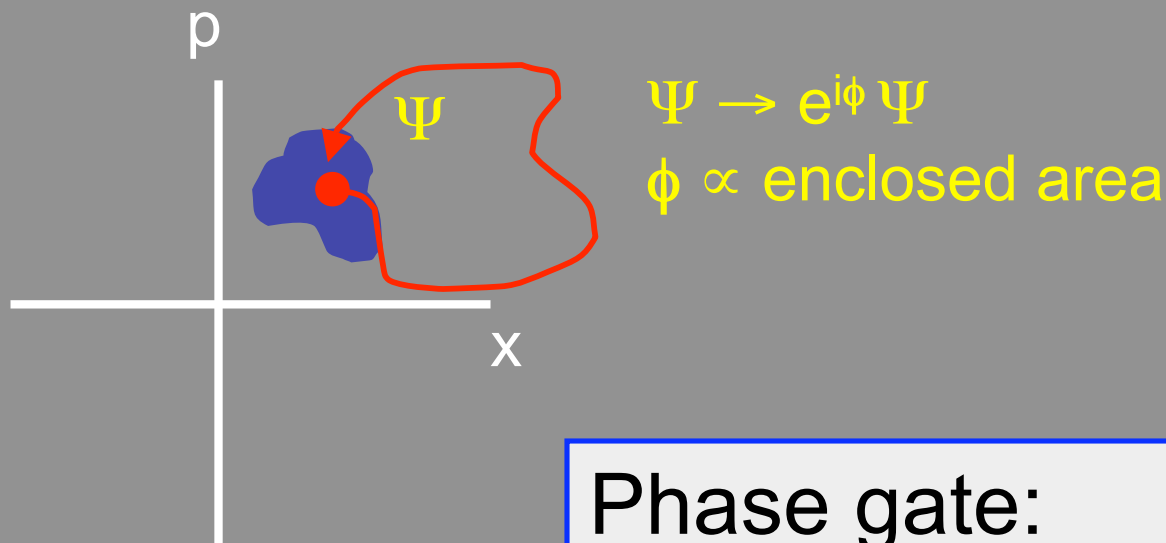
Hyperfine qubits

- $\tau \rightarrow \infty$ ($\tau_{\text{coherence}} > 10 \text{ min}$ observed)

basic scheme: J.I. Cirac, P. Zoller, '95

Multi-qubit phase gates

phase-space diagram for selected motional mode



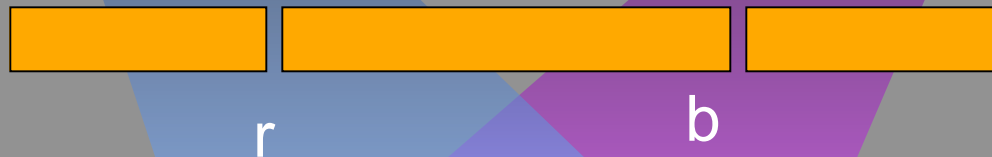
Phase gate:

- make force state-dependent
- use optical dipole forces

Example: z-basis phase gates

1 2 center-of-mass (com) mode
→ →

“stretch” mode
← →



$$\omega_b - \omega_r = \omega_{\text{com}} + \delta$$

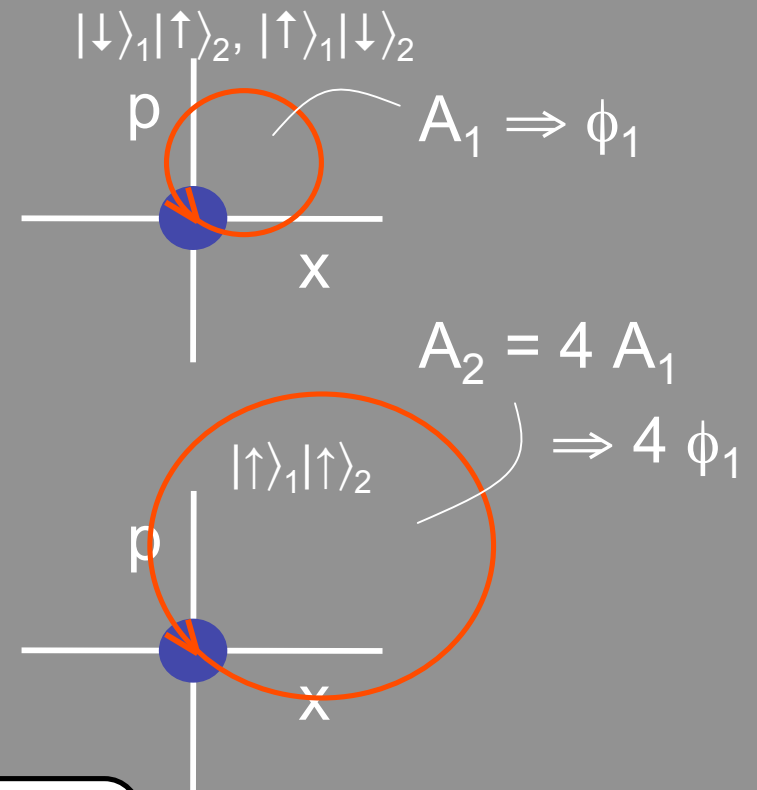
Optical force “walking-standing” wave



assume dipole force

$$F_{1\uparrow} = F_{2\uparrow} = F_{\uparrow}$$

$$F_{1\downarrow} = F_{2\downarrow} = 0$$



$$\Psi = \alpha |\downarrow\rangle |\downarrow\rangle + \beta |\downarrow\rangle |\uparrow\rangle + \gamma |\uparrow\rangle |\downarrow\rangle + \delta |\uparrow\rangle |\uparrow\rangle \rightarrow \alpha |\downarrow\rangle |\downarrow\rangle + e^{i\phi_1} \beta |\downarrow\rangle |\uparrow\rangle + e^{i\phi_1} \gamma |\uparrow\rangle |\downarrow\rangle + e^{4i\phi_1} \delta |\uparrow\rangle |\uparrow\rangle$$

z rotations + phase gate

example: z-basis phase gates

General formalism:

- 1 → Milburn, Schneider, James (1999)
Sørensen & Mølmer (1999, 2000)
Solano, de Matos Filho, Zagury (1999)

Experiments:

Sackett *et al.* (2000)

x-y basis states:

Leibfried *et al.* (2003) ($F = 0.97$)

z basis states:

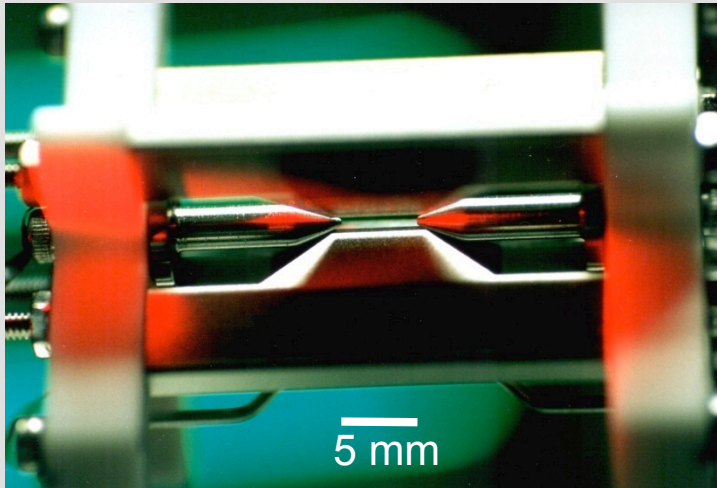
Monroe group (2005) x-y basis

Oxford (2005) z basis

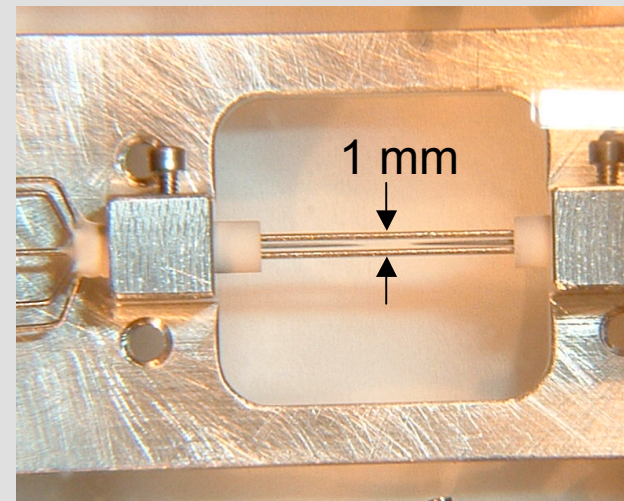
Innsbruck (2008) x-y basis ($F = 99.3$)

Traps

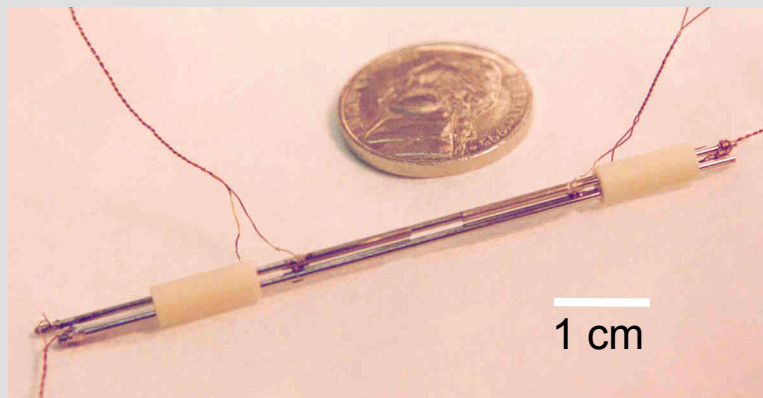
motion frequencies, gate speeds $\propto V_{\text{RF}}/md^2 \Rightarrow$ make d small



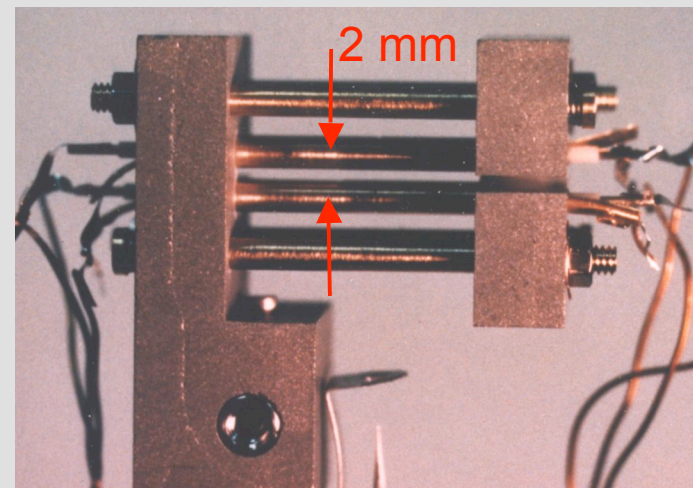
Innsbruck



U. Md.

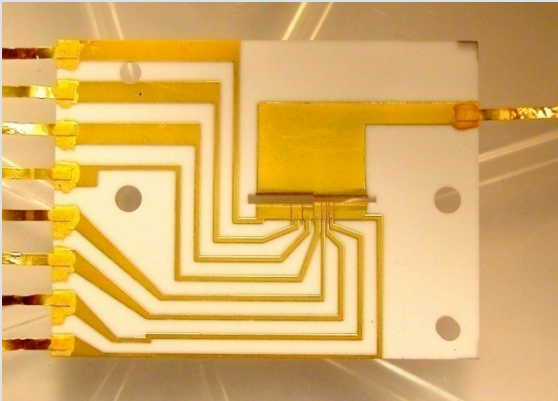


LANL

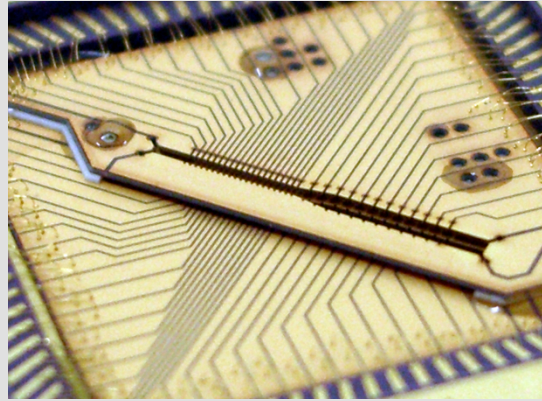


NIST

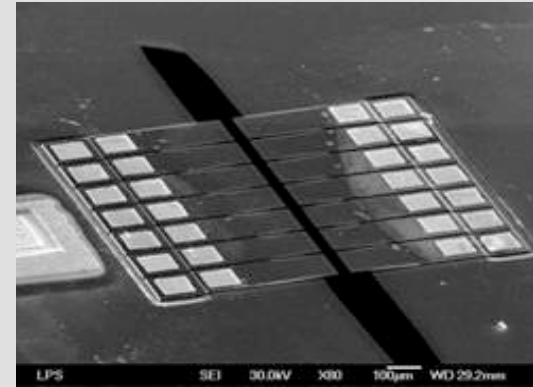
Representative multizone traps



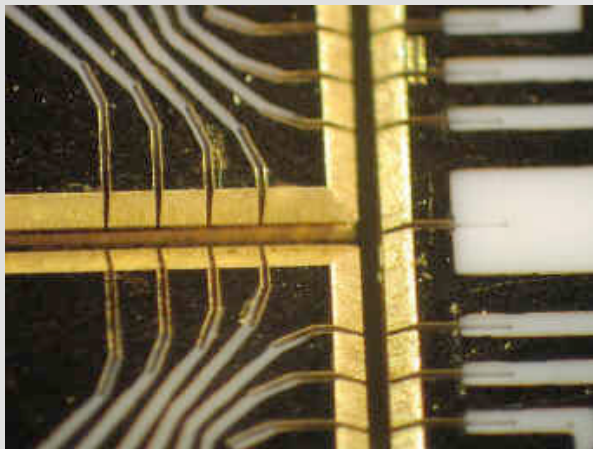
**NIST, Au on Al_2O_3
2-layer, 6 zones**



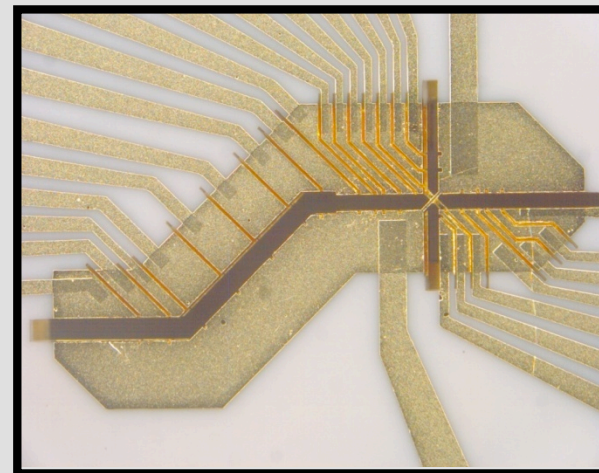
**Ulm (Schmidt-Kaler) Au
on Al_2O_3 , 2-layer, 31 zones**



**Monroe group, GaAs
on AlGaAs, 2-layer, 5 zones**

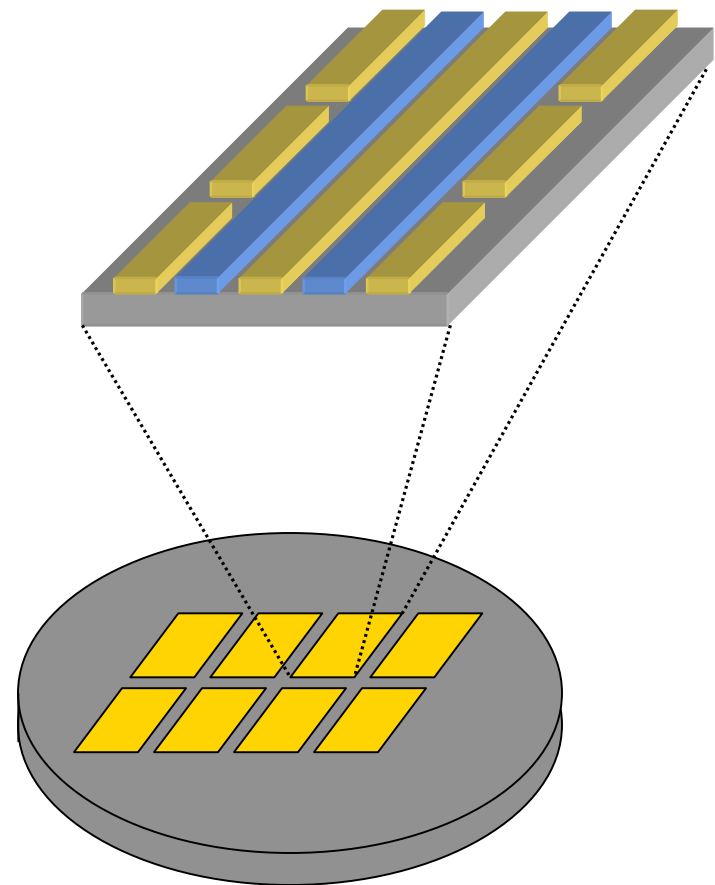
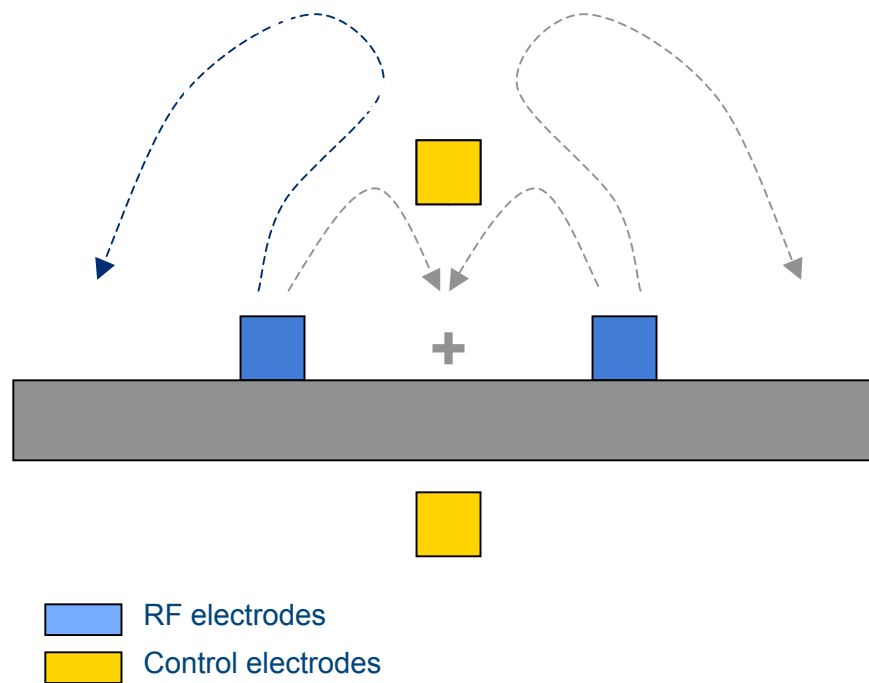


**Monroe group, Au on Al_2O_3
3-layer, 9 zone "T" trap**



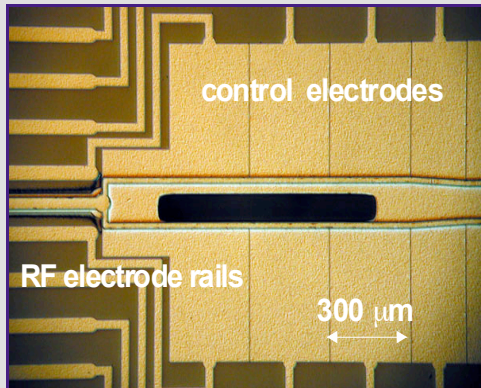
**NIST, Au on Al_2O_3
2-layer, 18 zones**

Further scaling ?

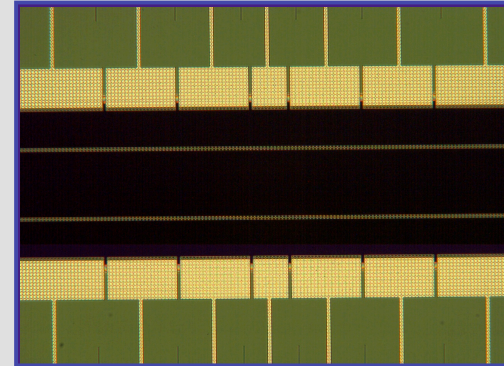


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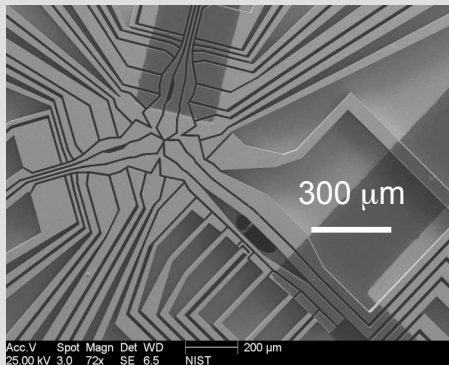
Surface-electrode trap examples



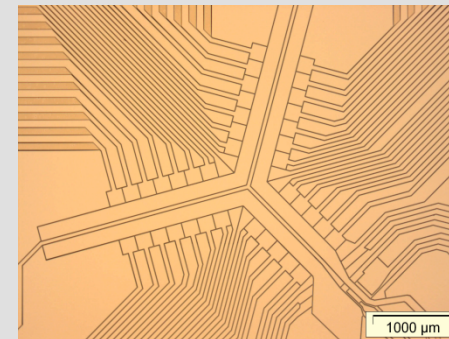
Lucent
Al on Si
17 zones



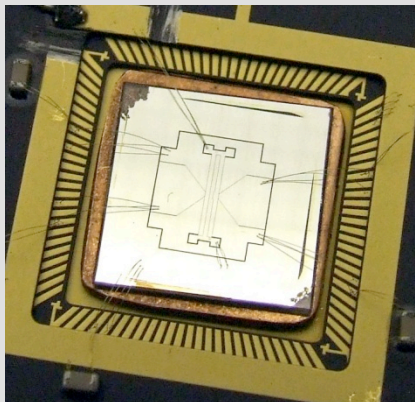
Sandia
W on Si
5 zones



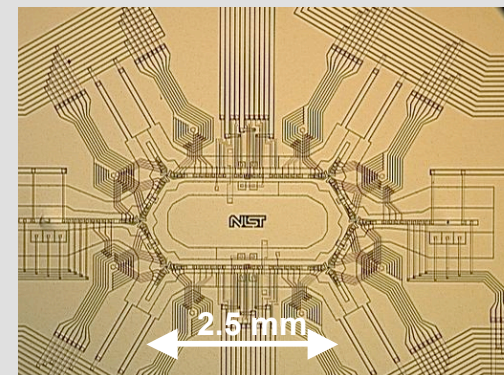
NIST
B-doped Si
23 zones



Ulm,
Au on Al₂O₃
24 zones



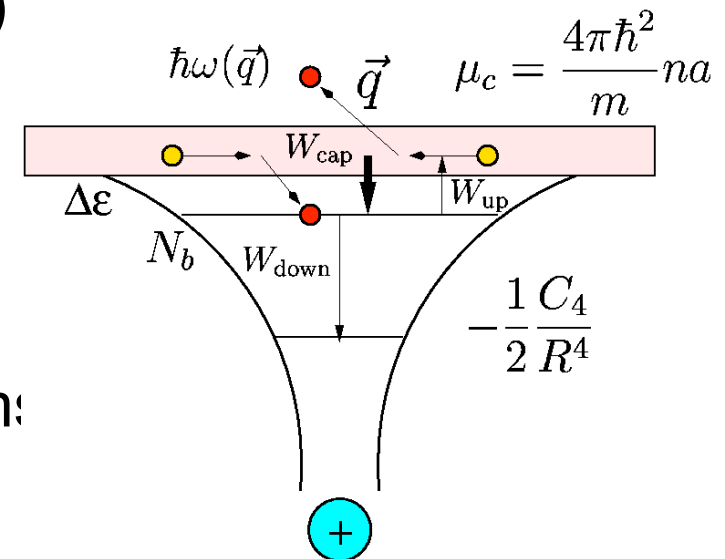
MIT
Ag on
Sapphire
1 zone



NIST
Au on quartz
~200 zone
"racetrack"

Atom-ion scattering & doped ultracold samples

- Why ultracold atom-ion scattering ?
 - Possible to cool ions by elastic collisions with ultracold atoms
 - Study of charge transfer in the ultracold regime
 - ▶ Hopping conductivity at ultralow temperature
- Several experimental efforts are under way
 - NaCa⁺ at UConn (W. Smith)
 - RbBa⁺ in Innsbruck (J. Denschlag)
 - Yb + Yb⁺ at MIT (V. Vuletic)
- Formation of Mesoscopic “ion cluster”
 - Ions in BEC captures several atoms:



Atom-ion Scattering

- Consider “identical parents” (e.g. Na)
 - Two possible outcomes

$$\text{Na} + \text{Na}^+ \rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{Na}_2^+(^2\Sigma_g^+) & \text{or} & \text{Na}_2^+(^2\Sigma_u^+) & \rightarrow \text{Na} + \text{Na}^+, & \text{elastic collision,} \\ \text{Na}_2^+(^2\Sigma_g^+) & \text{and} & \text{Na}_2^+(^2\Sigma_u^+) & \rightarrow \text{Na}^+ + \text{Na}, & \text{charge transfer.} \end{cases}$$

- Long-range polarization potential

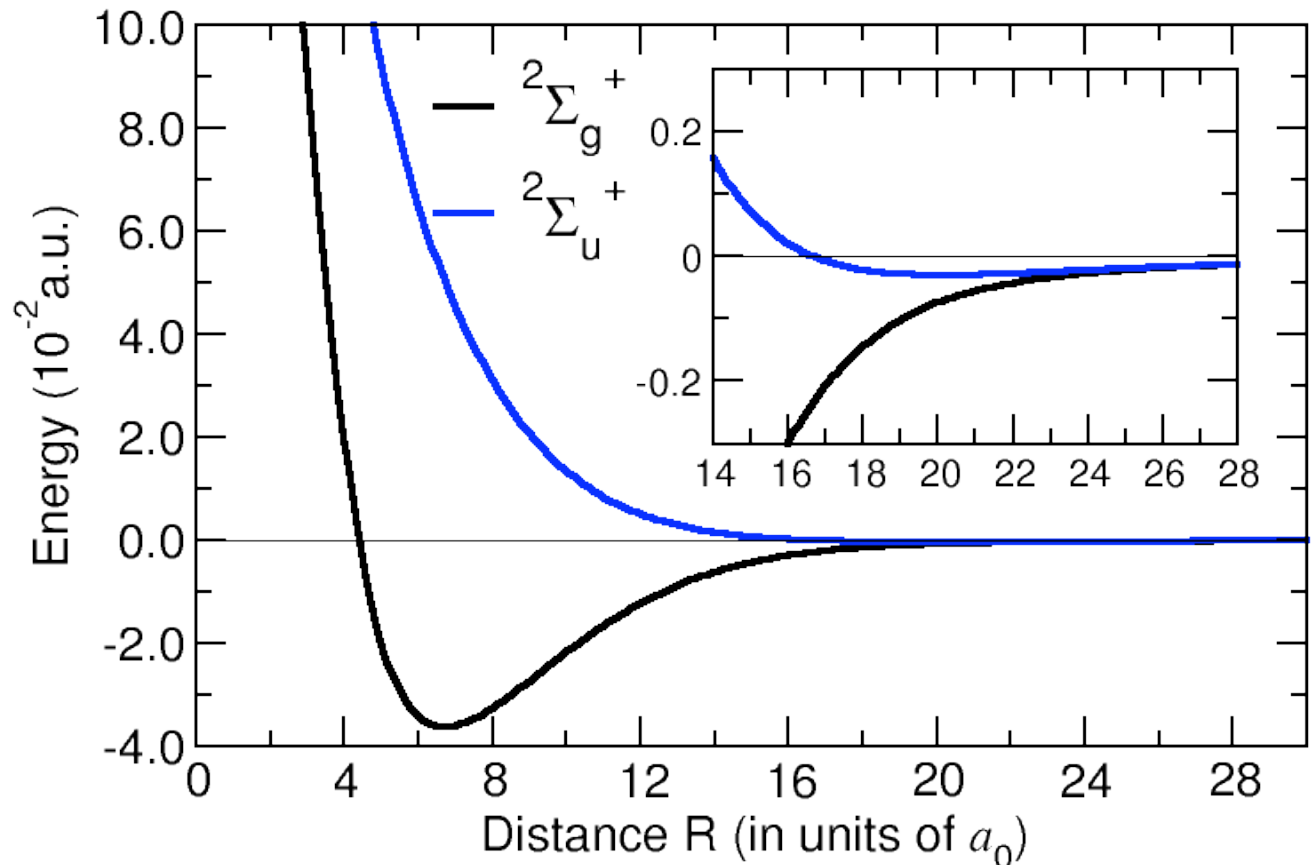
$$V_{g,u}(R) \sim -\frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{C_4}{R^4} + \frac{C_6}{R^6} + \frac{C_8}{R^8} \right] \mp \frac{1}{2} A R^\alpha e^{-\beta R} \left[1 + \frac{B}{R} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{R^2}\right) \right]$$

- Many partial waves even at ultralow T

Potentials and Phase shifts

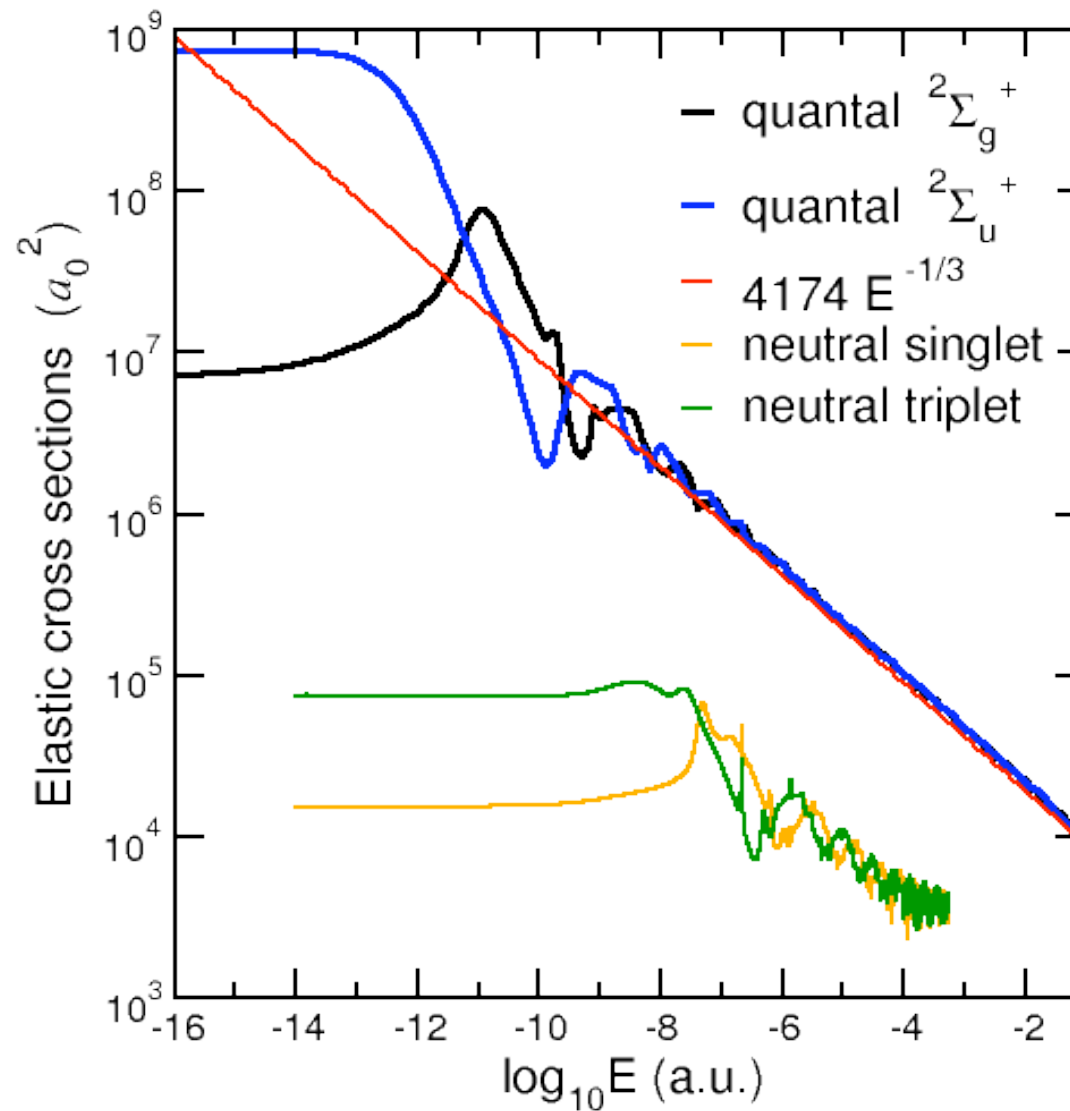
- Many partial waves even at ultralow T

$$\eta_l \simeq -\frac{\mu}{\hbar^2} \int_{R_0}^{\infty} dR \frac{V(R)}{\sqrt{k^2 - (l + \frac{1}{2})^2/R^2}} \simeq \frac{\pi\mu^2 C_4}{4\hbar^4} \frac{E}{l^3}$$



Results

- Approximation: quite good



Charge Transfer

- Cross section

$$\sigma_{\text{ch.}} = \frac{\pi}{k^2} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l + 1) \sin^2(\eta_l^g - \eta_l^u)$$

- Ungerade much shallower than gerade
 - Almost like a single curve
 - Langevin scattering cross section

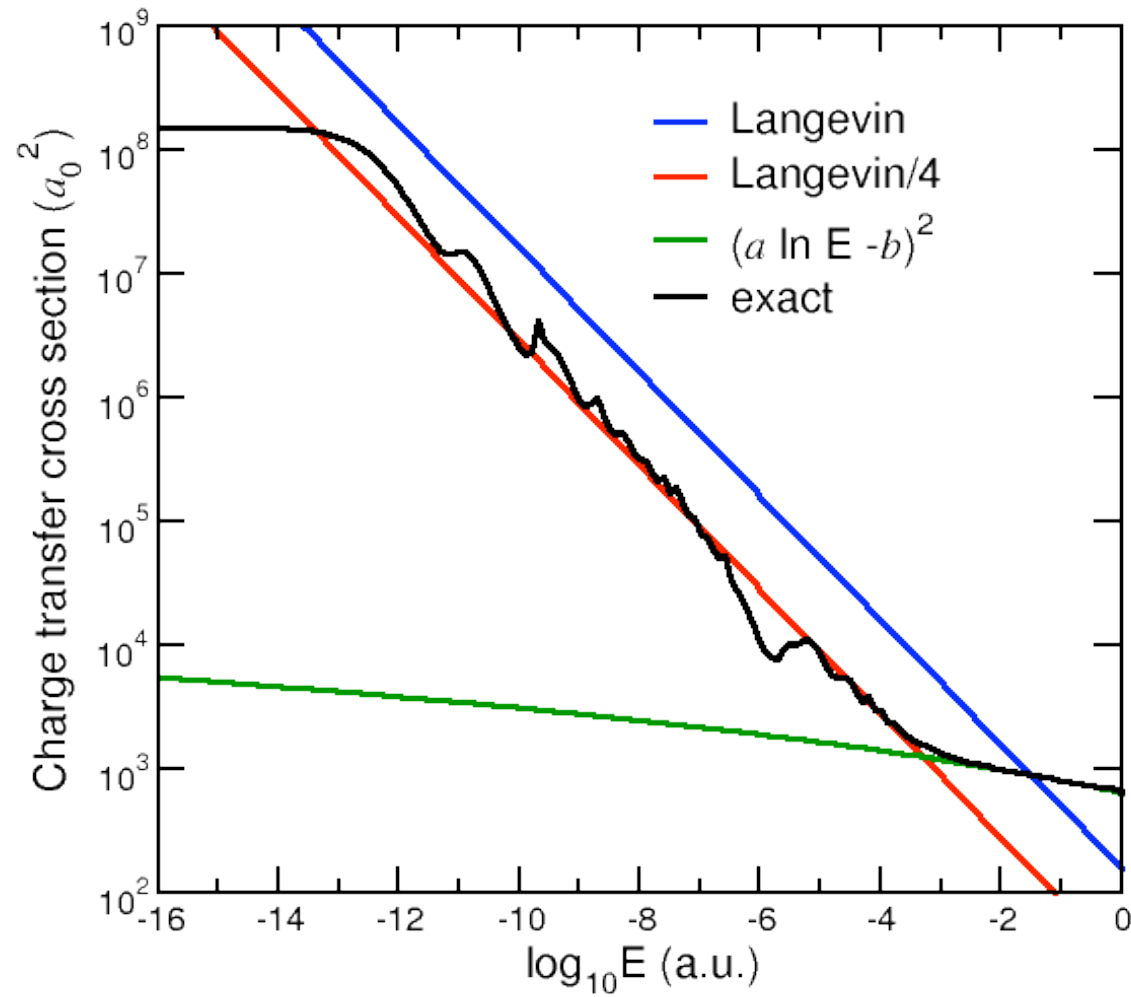
$$\sigma_{\text{Langevin}} \sim \pi \sqrt{2C_4} E^{-1/2}$$

- At large energy, we expect

$$\sigma_{\text{ch}} \sim (a \ln E - b)^2 \text{a.u.}$$

Charge Transfer: results

- Langevin good over large energy range

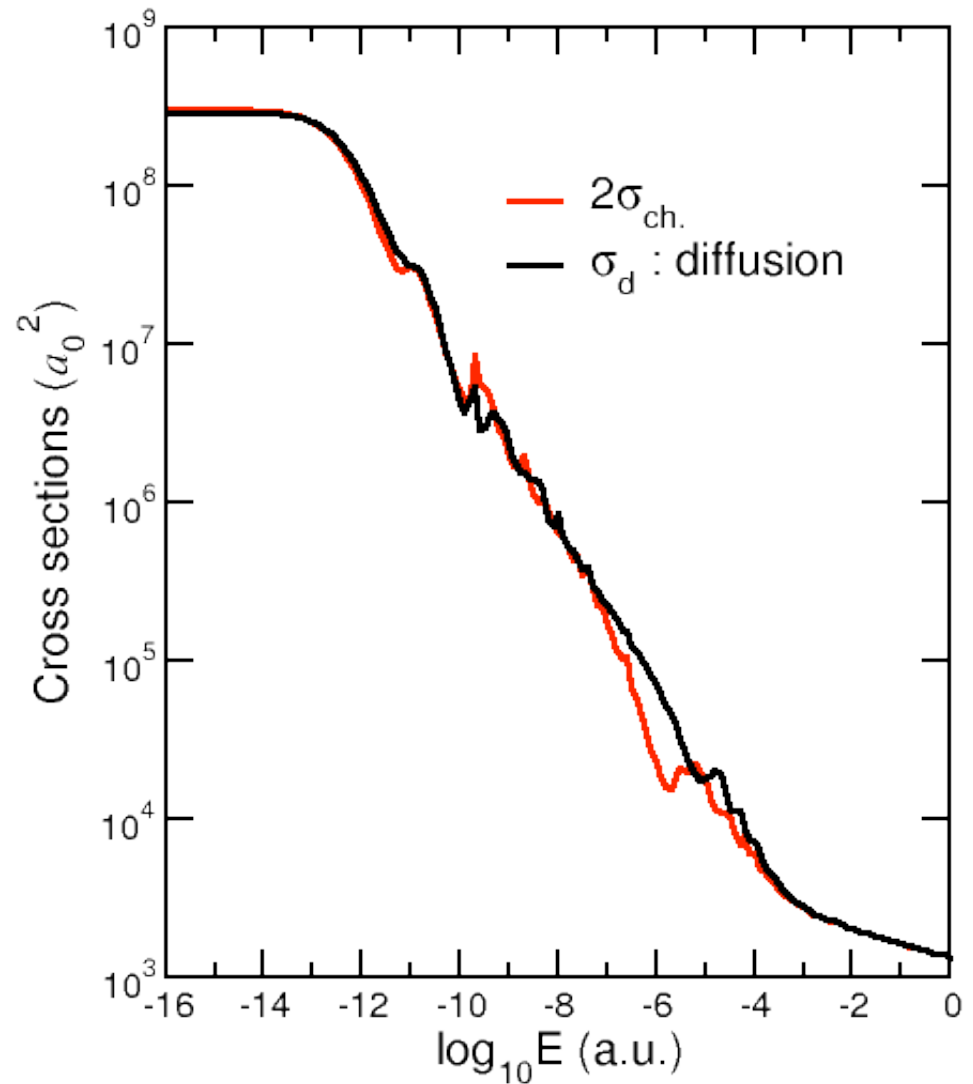


Approximation

- Many partial waves

$$\eta_l^{g,u} \simeq \eta_{l+1}^{g,u}$$

$$\sigma_d \simeq 2\sigma_{\text{ch}}$$



Mobility

- Ion mobility

$$\mu_{\text{ion}} = \frac{eD_{\text{ion}}}{k_B T}$$

- Diffusion coefficient

$$D_{\text{ion}} = \frac{3\sqrt{\pi}}{16(n_{\text{ion}} + n_{\text{at}})} \sqrt{\frac{2k_B T}{\mu}} \frac{1}{\langle \sigma_d \rangle} \simeq \frac{3\sqrt{\pi}}{16n_{\text{at}}} \sqrt{\frac{2k_B T}{\mu}} \frac{1}{\langle \sigma_d \rangle}$$

$$\langle \sigma_d \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty dx x^2 \exp(-x) \sigma_d(x) \quad x = E/k_B T$$

$$\mu_{\text{ion}} \simeq \frac{35.9 \zeta}{\sqrt{M C_4}} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} \simeq 0.59 \zeta \text{ cm}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

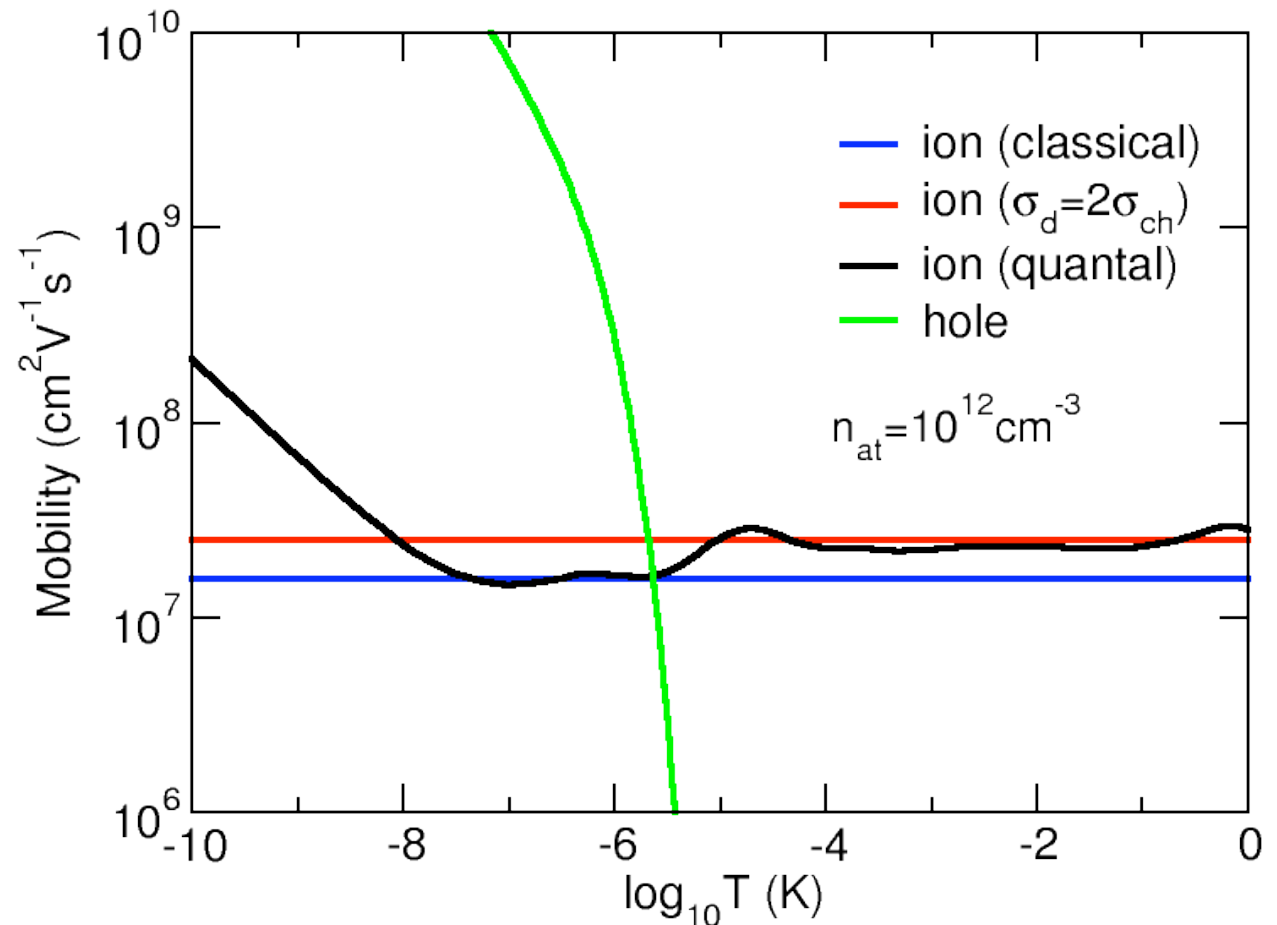
$$\zeta = n_{\text{std}}/n_{\text{at}} \quad n_{\text{std}} = 2.69 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

Results

- Approximation for charge transfer

$$\mu_{\text{ion}} = \frac{e \tau}{m_{\text{ion}}} \simeq 0.92 \zeta \text{ cm}^2 \text{V}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$$

$$\tau = 1/n_{\text{at}} \sigma_d v$$



Conductivity

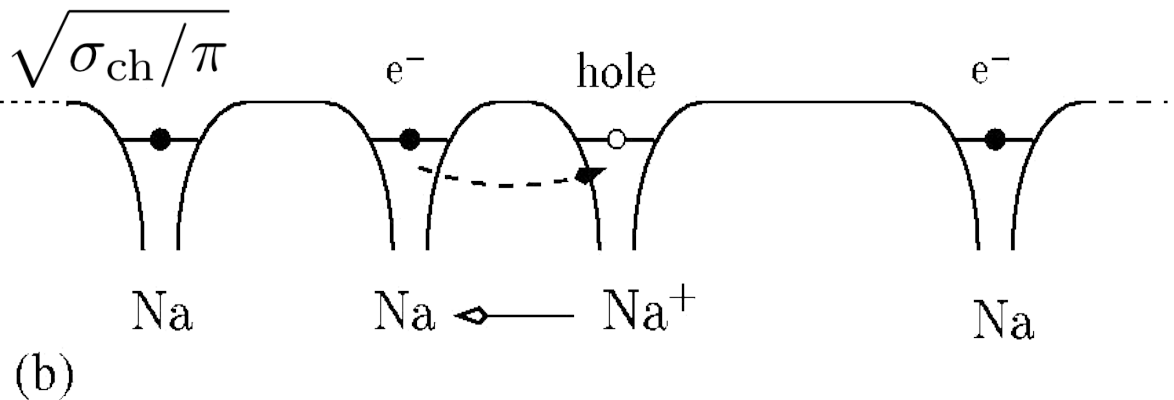
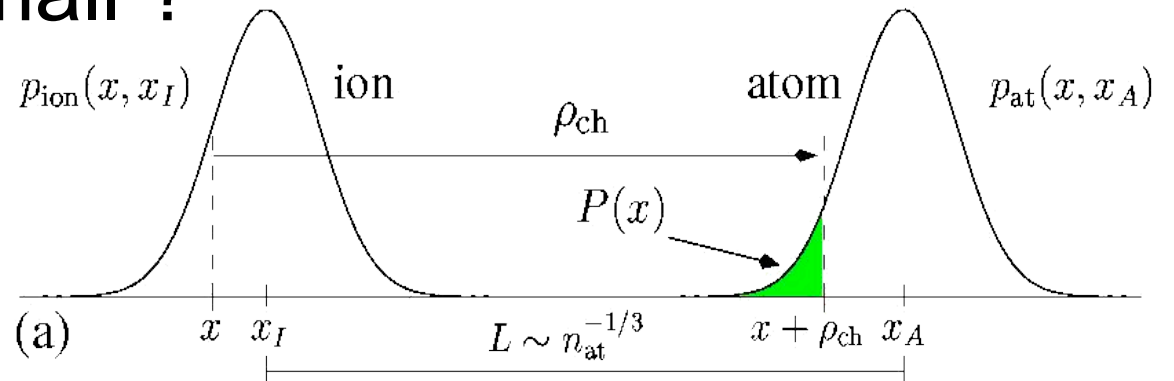
- If T becomes small ?

$$\lambda_T = (2\pi\hbar^2/mk_B T)^{1/2}$$

$$\lambda_T = 6.88 T^{-1/2} a_0$$

$$\sigma_{\text{ch}} \equiv \pi \rho_{\text{ch}}^2 \quad \text{or} \quad \rho_{\text{ch}} = \sqrt{\sigma_{\text{ch}}/\pi}$$

$$\rho_{\text{ch}} = 50.34 T^{-1/4} a_0$$



$$p_{\text{at}}(x, x_A) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\lambda_T} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-x_A)^2}{2\lambda_T^2}\right),$$

$$p_{\text{ion}}(x, x_I) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\lambda_T} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-x_I)^2}{2\lambda_T^2}\right)$$

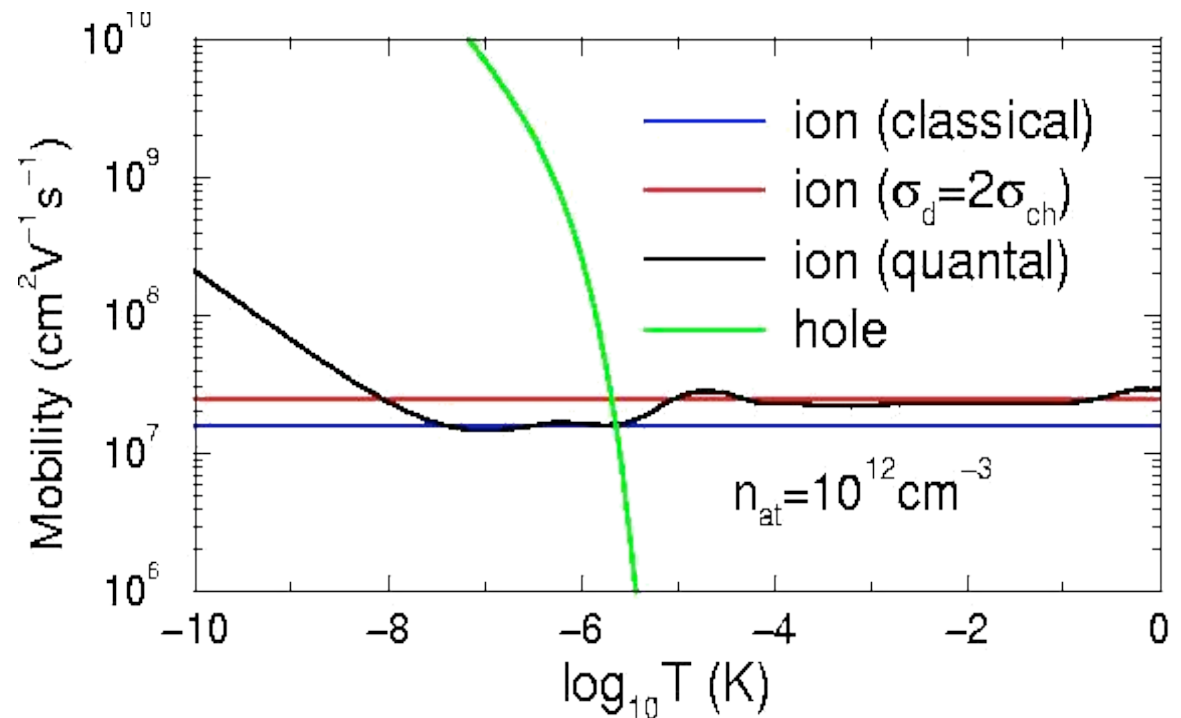
Conductivity

- What happens when T becomes small ?

– Current is $j = \sigma_{\text{cond}} \mathcal{E}$

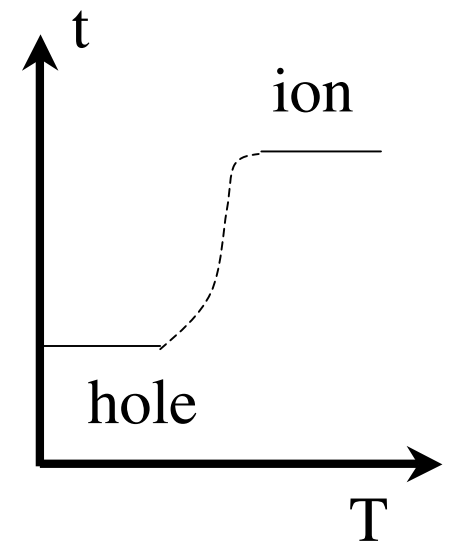
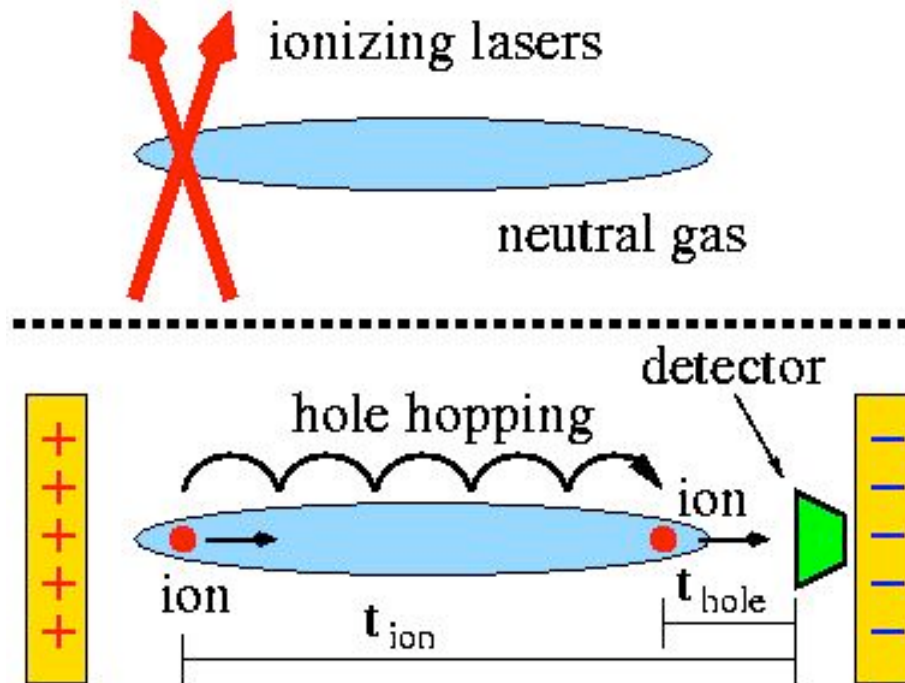
$$\sigma_{\text{cond}} = n_h e \mu_h + n_{\text{ion}} e \mu_{\text{ion}} = n_{\text{ion}} e \mu_{\text{tot}}$$

$$\mu_{\text{tot}} = \mu_h + \mu_{\text{ion}}$$



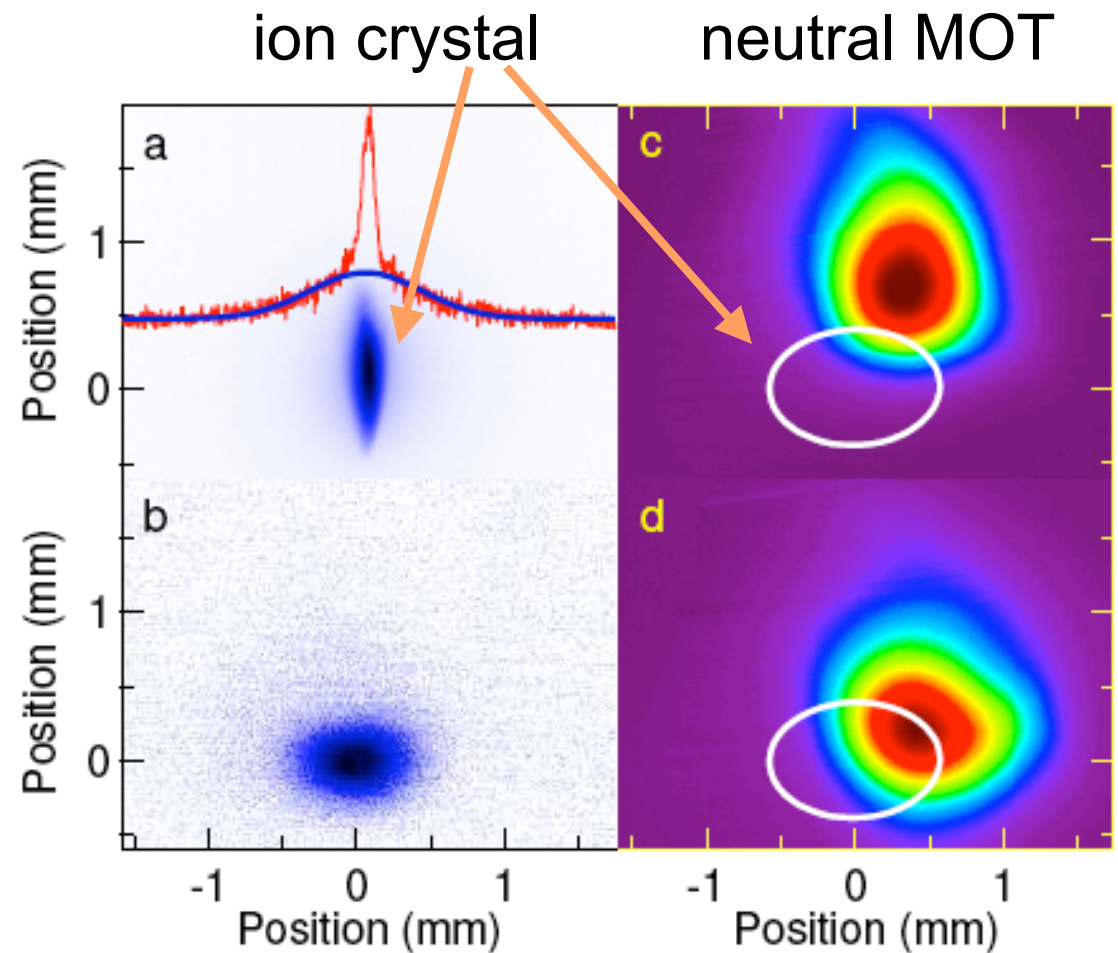
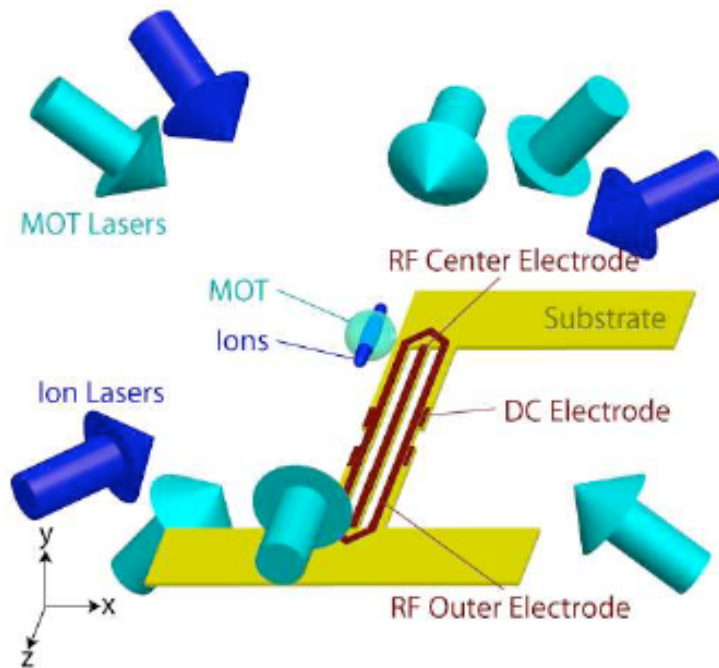
Possible experiment

- A “thought” experiment



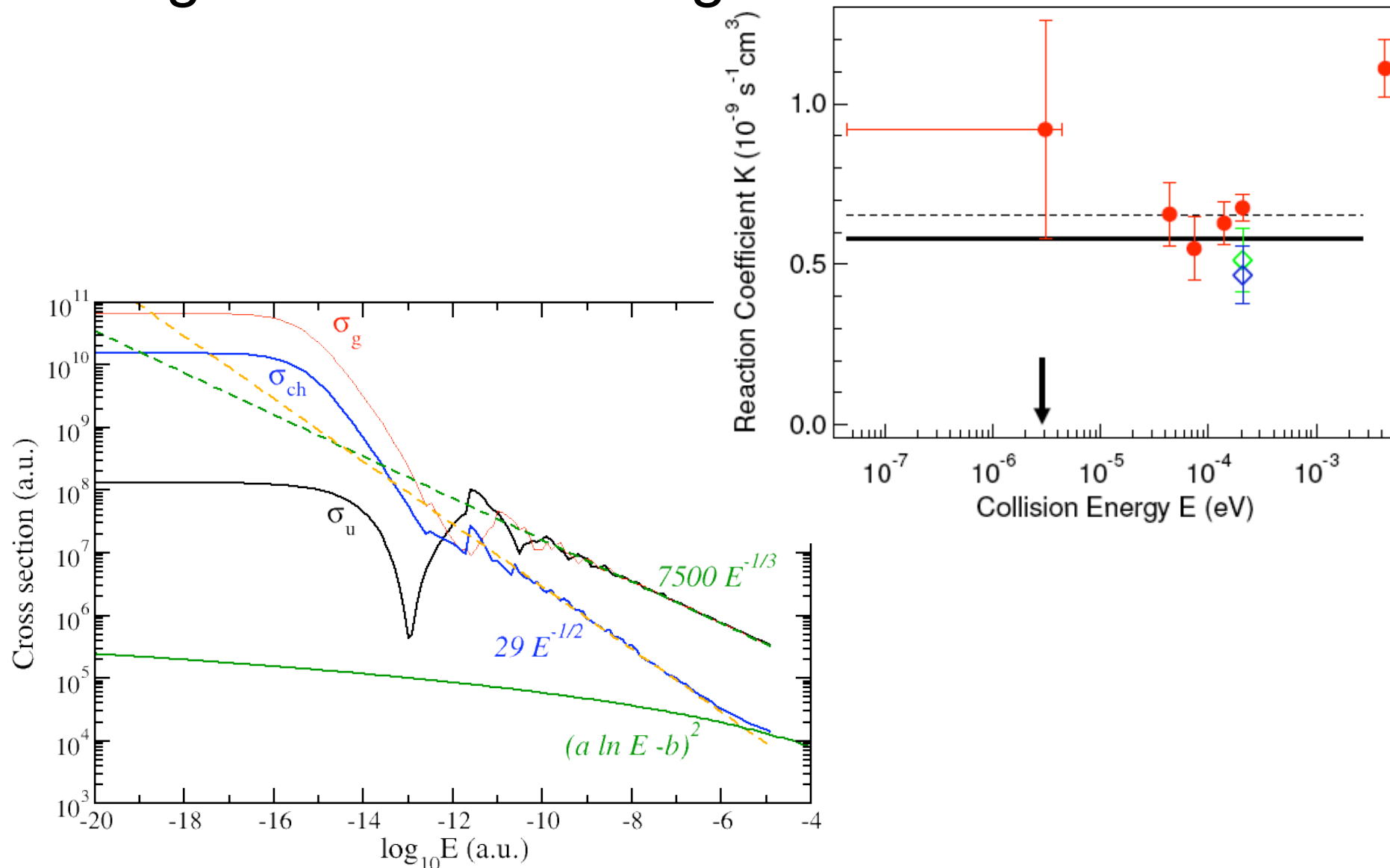
Yb + Yb⁺ at MIT

- Dual trap: $^{172}\text{Yb}^+$ and ^{174}Yb (and other)



Results

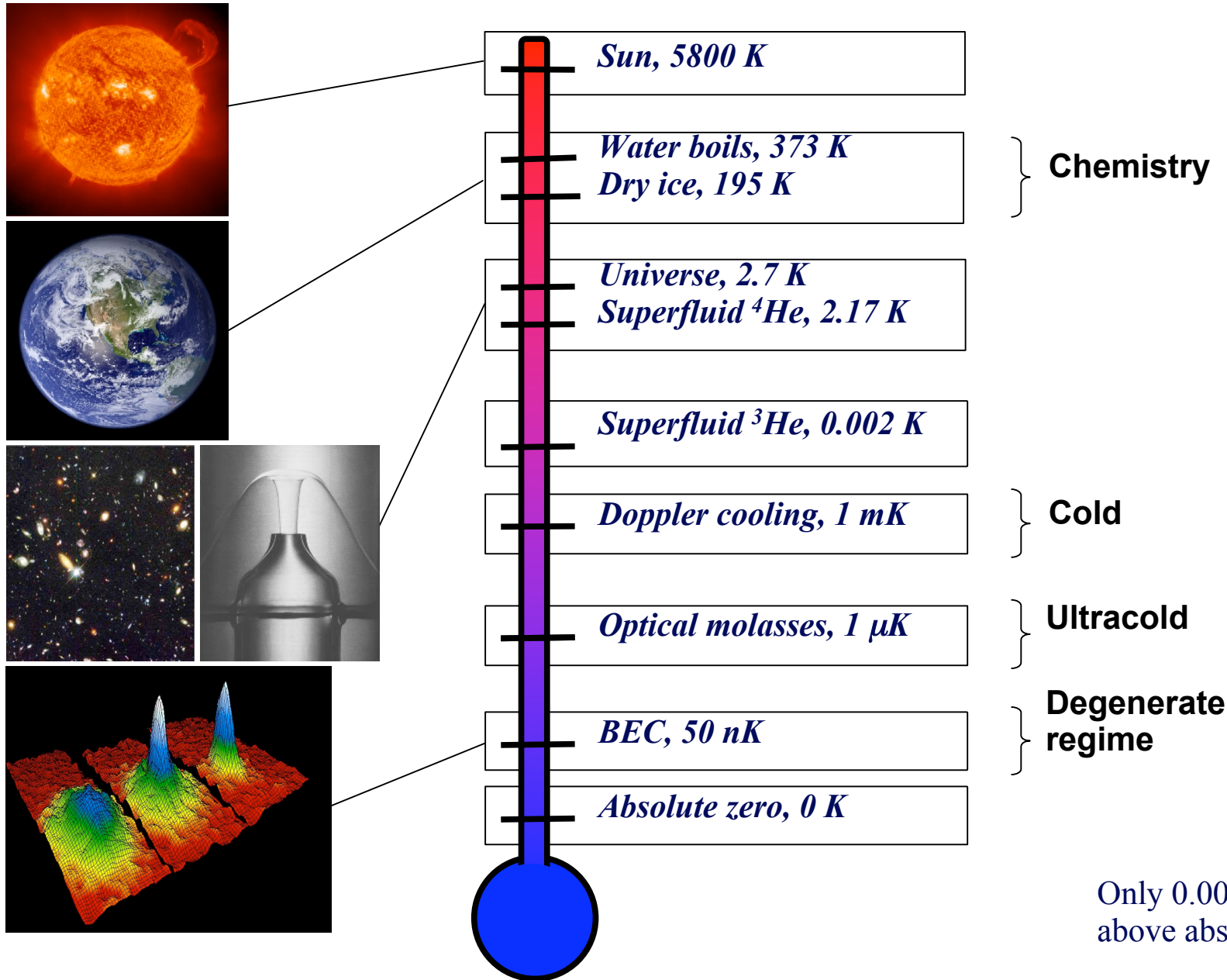
- In agreement with Langevin σ



Back to atoms

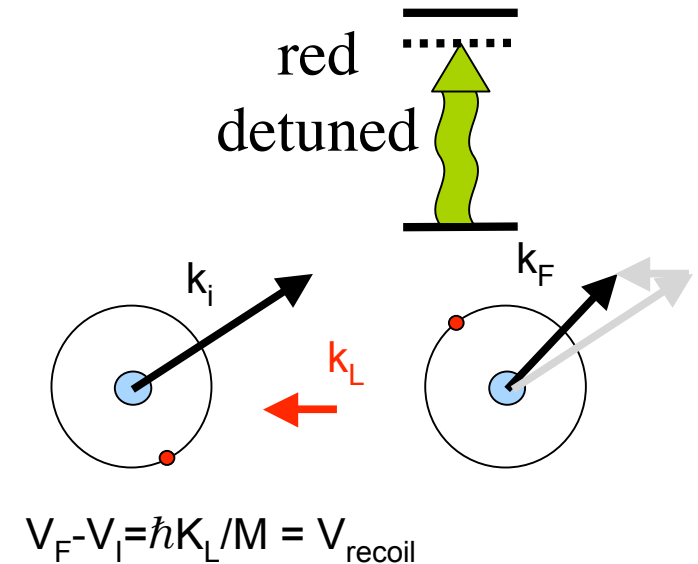
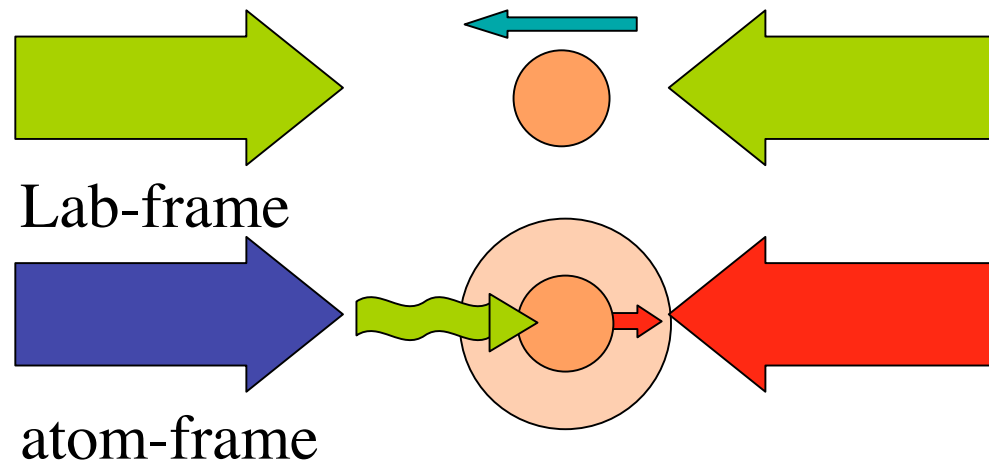
- What is ultracold ?
- How do we get there ?
 - Cooling + trapping
- Review of scattering
 - Scattering length
 - Feshbach resonances
- Real systems

How cold is COLD?



Cooling mechanisms

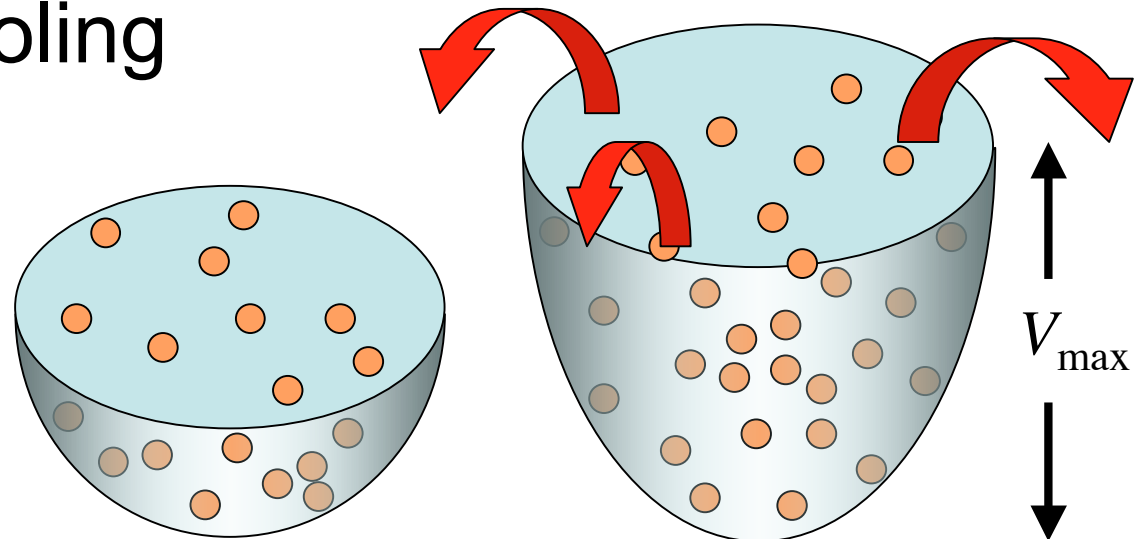
- Laser cooling



- Evaporative cooling

$$\bar{E} \sim \frac{3}{2} k_B T < V_{\text{max}}$$

- smaller V_{max}
 $\Rightarrow$ lower T
- atoms are lost



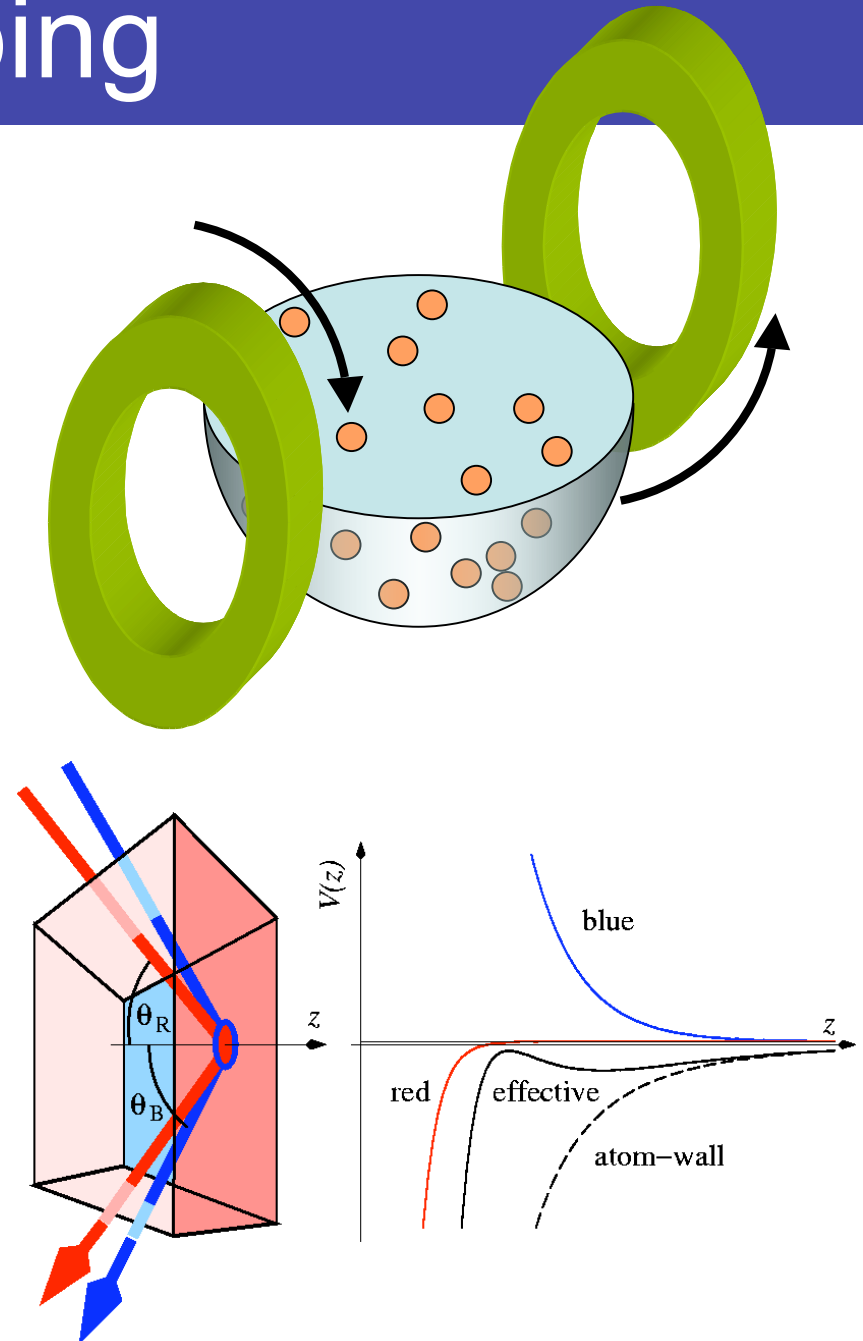
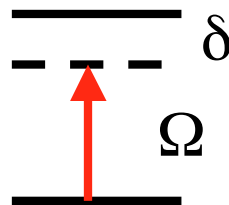
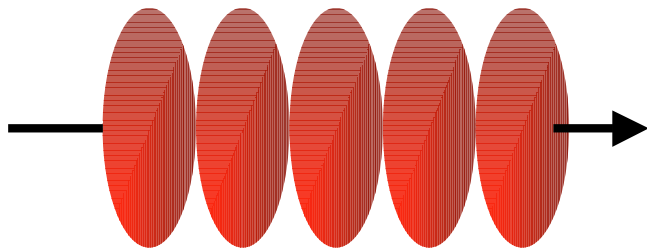
Trapping

- Two main approaches
- Magnetic traps

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

- Optical traps
 - Dipole force

$$V_{\text{dip}} \simeq \frac{\hbar \Omega^2}{4\delta} = \frac{I d^2}{8\hbar \epsilon_0 \delta}$$



Scattering: brief review

- Relative motion: $[\nabla_{\mathbf{r}}^2 + k^2 - U(\mathbf{r})] \psi(\mathbf{r}) = 0$

$$\mathbf{p} = \hbar \mathbf{k} \quad E = \frac{p^2}{2\mu} = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2\mu} \quad \leftarrow \quad \rightarrow U(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{2\mu}{\hbar^2} V(\mathbf{r})$$

- Solution for $\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} r^2 V(\mathbf{r}) = 0$

$$\psi_{\mathbf{k}}^{(+)}(\mathbf{r}) \rightarrow A \left\{ \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}) + f(k, \theta, \phi) \frac{\exp(ikr)}{r} \right\}$$

- Scattering amplitude and cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = |f(k, \Omega)|^2 \quad \sigma_{tot} = \int d\Omega \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}$$

Partial waves

- Central potential $V(\mathbf{r})=V(r)$

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \nabla_{\mathbf{r}}^2 + V(r) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \left[\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) - \frac{\mathbf{L}^2}{\hbar^2 r^2} \right] + V(r)$$

$$\psi_{\mathbf{k}}^{(+)}(k, \mathbf{r}) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{+\ell} c_{\ell m}(k) \frac{u_{\ell}(k, r)}{r} Y_{\ell m}(\theta, \phi)$$

$$\mathbf{L}^2 Y_{\ell m}(\theta, \phi) = \ell(\ell+1) \hbar^2 Y_{\ell m}(\theta, \phi)$$

$$\left[\frac{d^2}{dr^2} + k^2 - \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{r^2} - U(r) \right] u_{\ell}(k, r) = 0$$

$$u_{\ell}(k, r) \rightarrow A_{\ell}(k) \sin \left(kr - \frac{1}{2} \ell \pi + \delta_{\ell}(k) \right)$$

Phase shift

- It gives information about the interaction

$$\psi_{\mathbf{k}}^{(+)}(k, \mathbf{r}) = A(k) \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2\ell+1)}{k A_{\ell}(k)} i^{\ell} \exp(i\delta_{\ell}) \frac{u_{\ell}(k, r)}{r} P_{\ell}(\cos \theta)$$

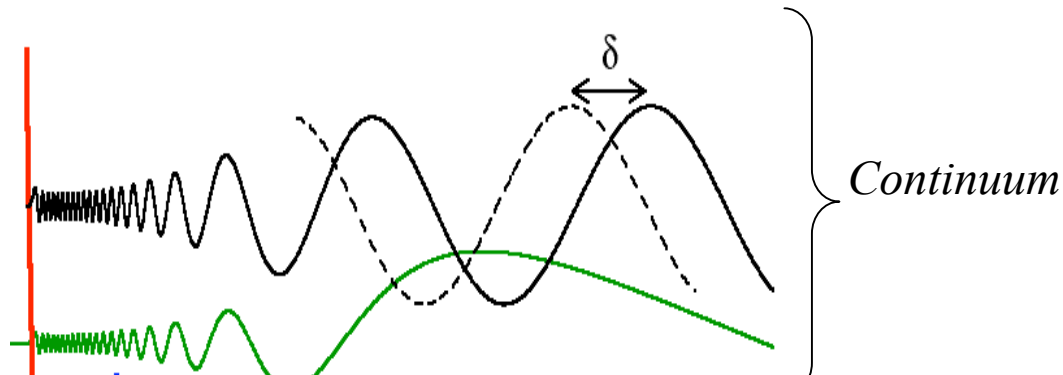
$$f(k, \theta) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell+1) e^{i\delta_{\ell}(k)} \sin \delta_{\ell}(k) P_{\ell}(\cos \theta)$$

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}}(k) = \frac{4\pi}{k^2} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell+1) \sin^2 \delta_{\ell}(k)$$

- Low energy: s-wave ($l = 0$)

Collisions between ultracold atoms

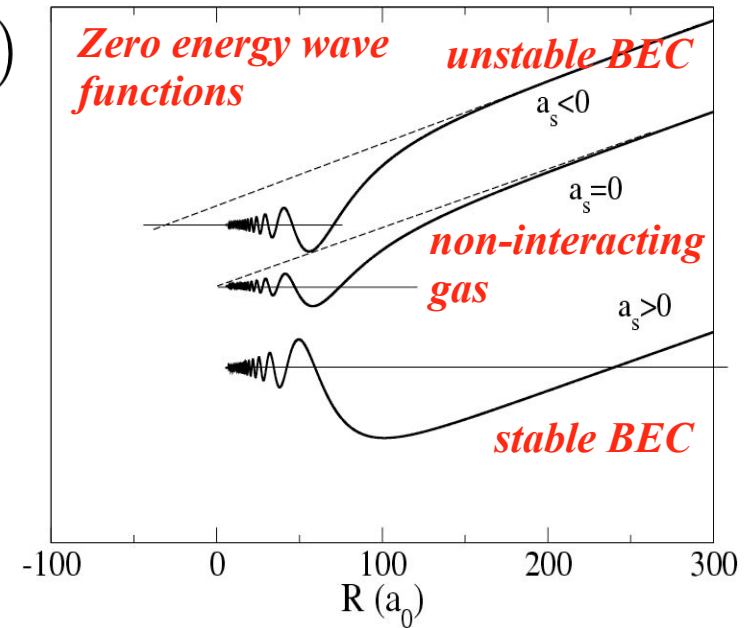
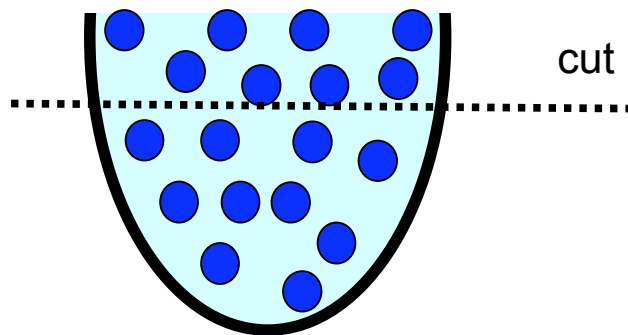
- Wave function $u(R) \propto \sin(kR + \delta)$



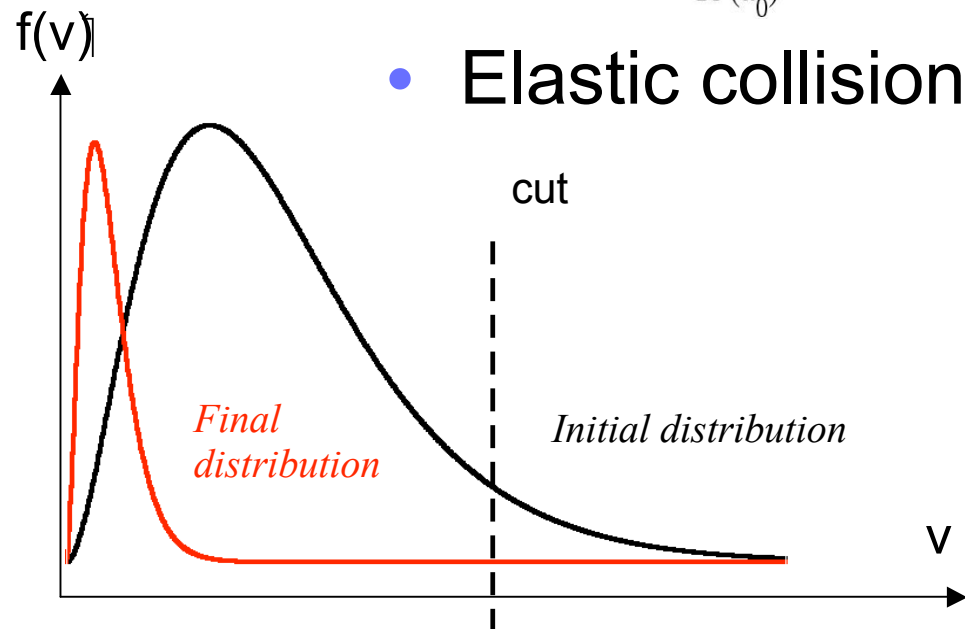
$$k \cot \delta = -\frac{1}{a}$$

Scattering length a

Evaporative cooling



- Elastic collisions



Effective range expansion

$$k^{2\ell+1} \cot \delta_\ell(k) = c_0 + c_1 k^2 + c_2 k^4 + \dots$$

- For s-wave and various power-law potentials

$$V = -\frac{C_3}{r^3} \quad k \cot \delta_0 = -\frac{1}{a \ln k} +$$

$$V \sim -\alpha Q^2 / 2r^4 \quad k \cot \delta_0 = -\frac{1}{a} + \frac{\pi P^2}{3a^2} k + \frac{4P^2}{3a} k^2 \ln \left(\frac{Pk}{4} \right) +$$

$$P^2 = \alpha m Q^2 / \hbar^2$$

$$V(r) = -\frac{C_6}{r^6} \quad k \cot \delta_0 = -\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{2} r_e k^2 - \frac{2\pi}{15a^2} \frac{\mu C_6}{\hbar^2} k^3 +$$

$$V(r) = -\frac{C_7}{r^7} \quad k \cot \delta_0 = -\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{2} r_e k^2 + \frac{4}{15a^2} \frac{\mu C_7}{\hbar^2} k^4 \ln k +$$

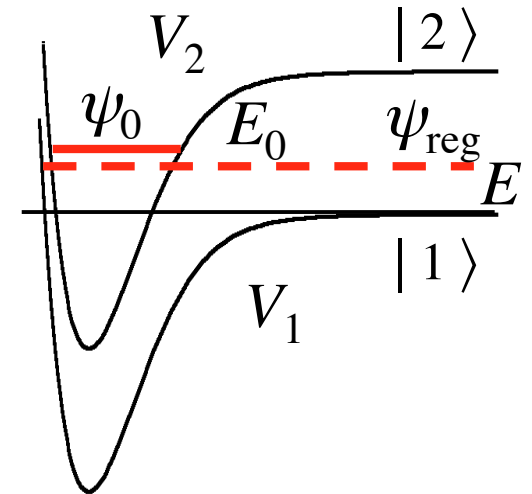
Feshbach resonance

- 2 channels: 1 open + 1 closed

$$|\Psi_{\text{tot}}\rangle = \psi_1|1\rangle + \psi_2|2\rangle$$

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu}\nabla^2 + \mathbf{V}$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu}\frac{d^2}{dR^2}\begin{pmatrix}\psi_1 \\ \psi_2\end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix}V_1 & V_{1,2} \\ V_{2,1} & V_2\end{pmatrix}\begin{pmatrix}\psi_1 \\ \psi_2\end{pmatrix} = E\begin{pmatrix}\psi_1 \\ \psi_2\end{pmatrix}$$



- solutions

$$\begin{aligned}\psi_1(R) &= \psi_{\text{reg}}(R) + \tan \delta \psi_{\text{irr}}(R), \\ &\stackrel{R \rightarrow \infty}{=} \frac{1}{\cos \delta} \sqrt{\frac{2\mu}{\pi \hbar^2 k}} \sin(kR + \delta_{\text{bg}} + \delta), \\ \psi_2(R) &= -\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi \Gamma}} \sin \delta \psi_0(R)\end{aligned}$$

Resonance

- Resonant phase shift

$$\tan \delta = -\pi \frac{\overbrace{|\langle \psi_0 | V_{2,1} | \psi_{\text{reg}} \rangle|^2}^{\Gamma/2\pi}}{\underbrace{E - E_0 - \langle \psi_0 | V_{2,1} G V_{1,2} | \psi_0 \rangle}_{E_R}}$$

$$G(R, R') = \begin{cases} \psi_{\text{reg}}(R) \psi_{\text{irr}}(R') & \text{for } R \leq R' \\ \psi_{\text{reg}}(R') \psi_{\text{irr}}(R) & \text{for } R' \leq R \end{cases}$$

$$\psi_{\text{reg}}(R) \xrightarrow{R \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{2\mu}{\pi \hbar^2 k}} \sin(kR + \delta_{\text{bg}})$$

$$\psi_{\text{irr}}(R) \xrightarrow{R \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{2\mu}{\pi \hbar^2 k}} \cos(kR + \delta_{\text{bg}})$$

$$\tan \delta = -\frac{\Gamma/2}{E - E_R}$$

Scattering length

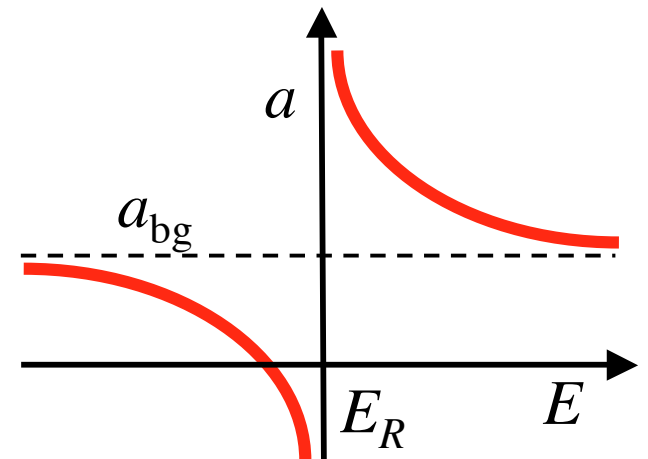
- As before $\psi_1 \sim \sin(kR + \delta + \delta_{\text{bg}}) = \sin(kR + \delta_{\text{tot}})$

$$\tan \delta_{\text{tot}} = \tan(\delta + \delta_{\text{bg}}) = -ka$$

$$-\frac{\Gamma/2}{E - E_R} \quad \leftarrow \quad \rightarrow -ka_{\text{bg}}$$

$$-ka = \frac{\tan \delta + \tan \delta_{\text{bg}}}{1 - \tan \delta_{\text{bg}} \tan \delta}$$

$$a = a_{\text{bg}} \left(1 + \frac{\Gamma/2}{ka_{\text{bg}}(E - E_R)} \right)$$

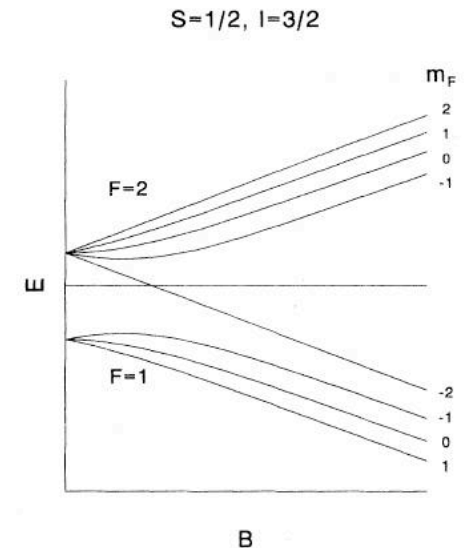
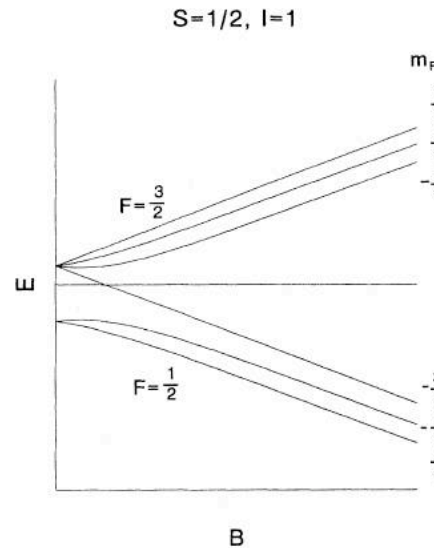


Real systems

- Hamiltonian: Zeeman and hyperfine couplings
- Ex: *s*-wave collisions ${}^6\text{Li} + {}^{23}\text{Na}$

$$H = \frac{p^2}{2\mu} + V_C + \sum_{j=1}^2 H_j^{\text{int}}$$

$$V_C = V_S(R)P^S + V_T(R)P^T$$



$$H_j^{\text{int}} = \frac{a_{\text{hf}}^{(j)}}{\hbar^2} \mathbf{s}_j \cdot \mathbf{i}_j + (\gamma_e \mathbf{s}_j - \cancel{\gamma_n \mathbf{i}_j}) \cdot \mathbf{B}$$

${}^6\text{Li}$: 152.137 MHz
 ${}^{23}\text{Na}$: 885.813 MHz

$$|\Psi_{\epsilon, \ell=0}\rangle = \sum_{\sigma=1}^N \psi_{\sigma}(R) \{ |f_1, m_1\rangle \otimes |f_2, m_2\rangle \}_{\sigma}$$

${}^6\text{Li}$ ${}^{23}\text{Na}$

$$\mathbf{f}_j = \mathbf{i}_j + \mathbf{s}_j$$

Magnetically tuned

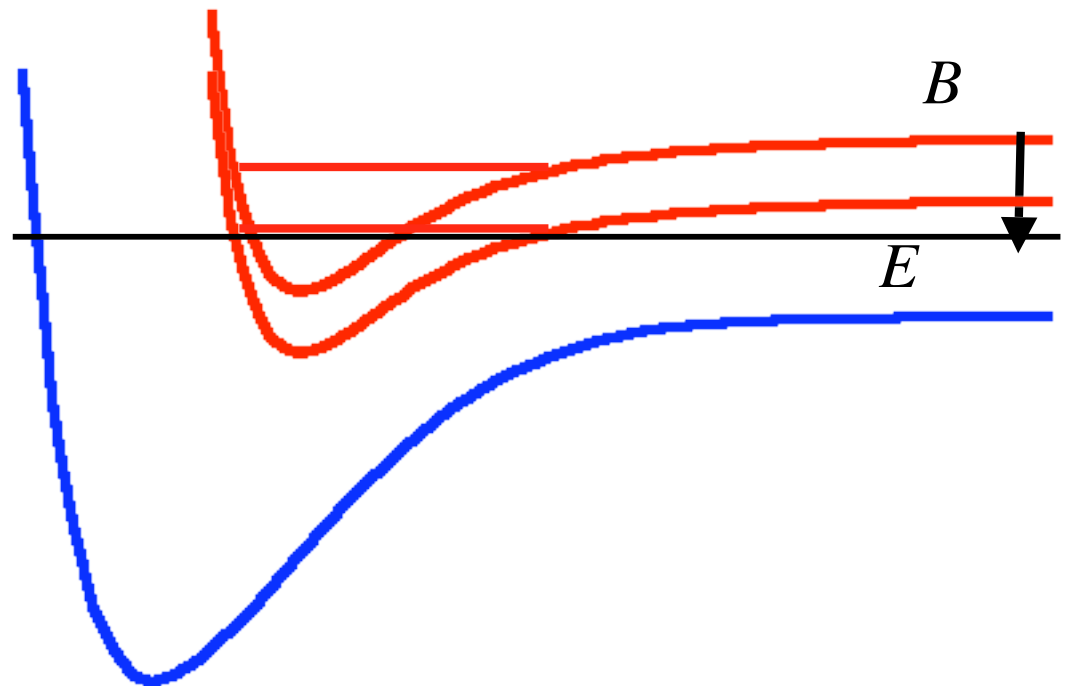
- Instead of changing E

$$a = a_{\text{bg}} \left(1 + \frac{\Gamma/2}{ka_{\text{bg}}(E - E_R)} \right)$$

- Zeeman term moves curves with respect to each other

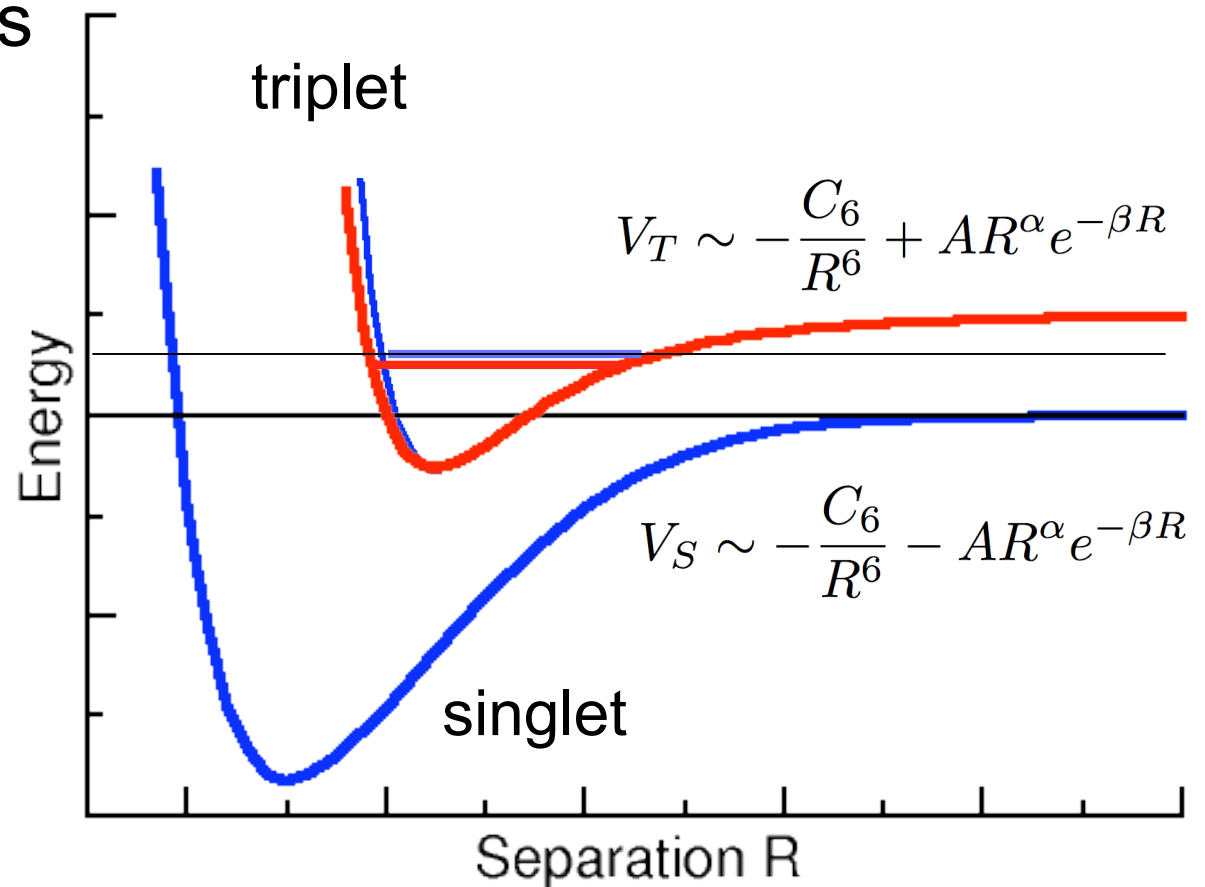
$$a = a_{\text{bg}} \left(1 - \frac{\Delta}{B - B_0} \right)$$

Δ linked to Γ
 B_0 linked to E_R



Adjusting potentials

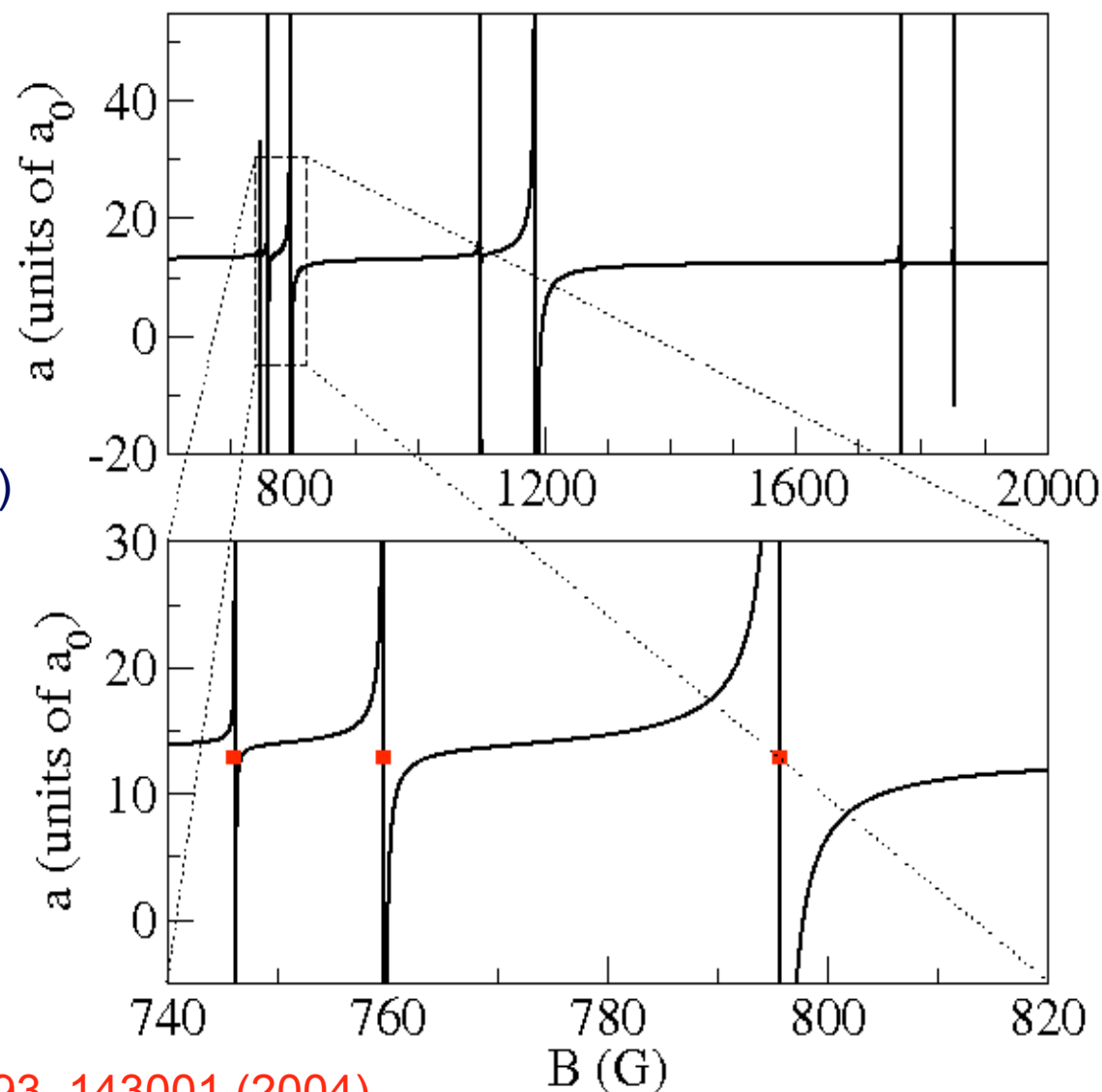
- Adjust inner wall
 - Move bound state up or down
- Other approaches
 - Adjust singlet or triplet phase



Results with Li+Na

${}^6\text{Li}(f=1/2, m_f=1/2) {}^{23}\text{Na}(f=1, m_f=1)$

Theory B (Gauss)	Experiment * B (Gauss)
746.13	746.0 +/- 0.4
759.69	759.6 +/- 0.2
795.61	795.6 +/- 0.2

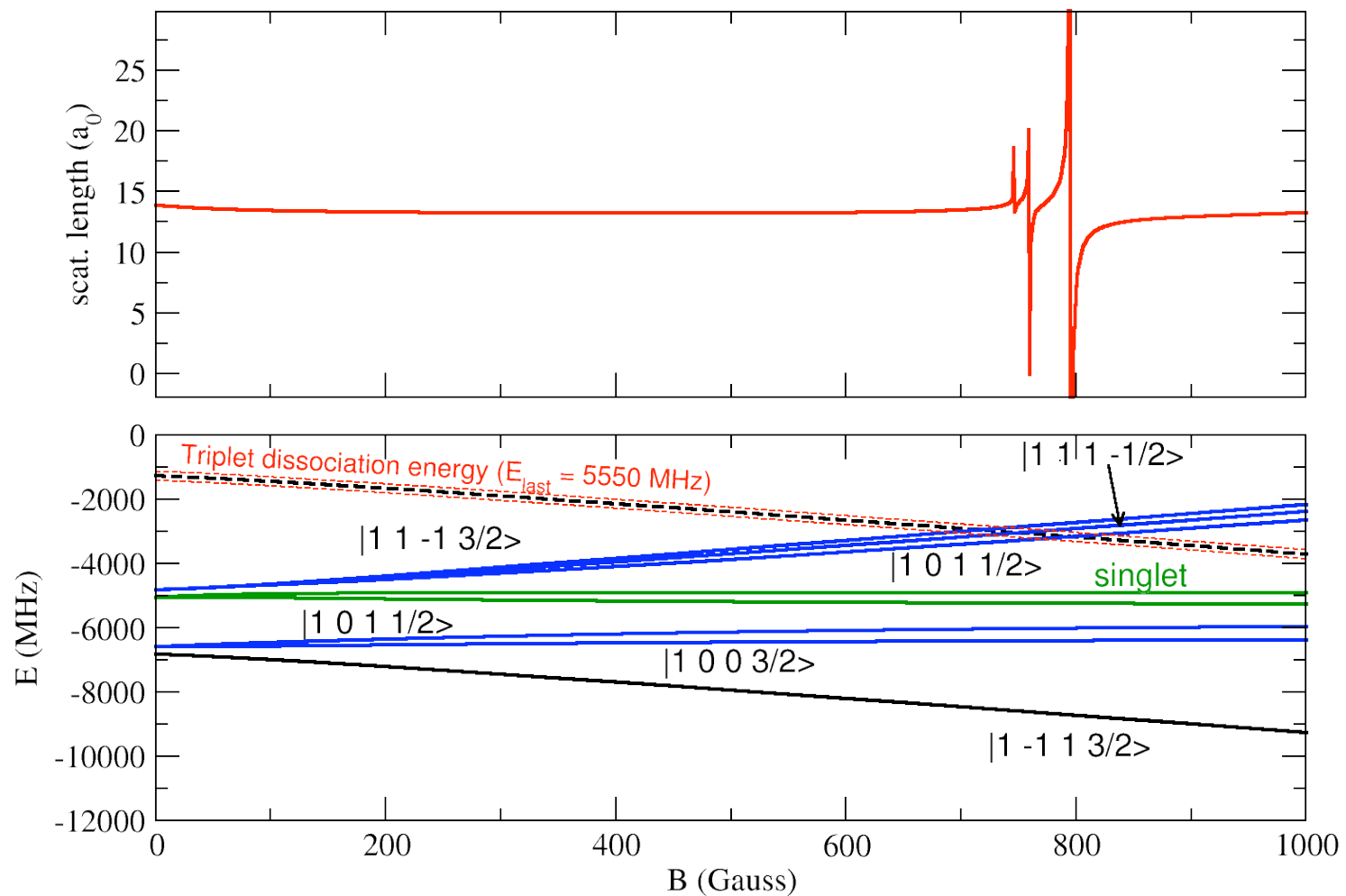


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Bound state + continuum

- Resonances vs bound state

${}^6\text{Li} + {}^{23}\text{Na}$ Feshbach resonances
collision channel $|11\rangle$; basis $|S\ m_S\ m_{i,\text{Li}}\ m_{i,\text{Na}}\rangle$ (bottom figure)



Coffee Break !

- Ultracold atoms after the 1st break

