
Exploiting quantum control for quantum computation

Marker atoms and molecular interactions in optical lattices



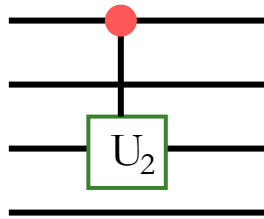
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What we want to implement

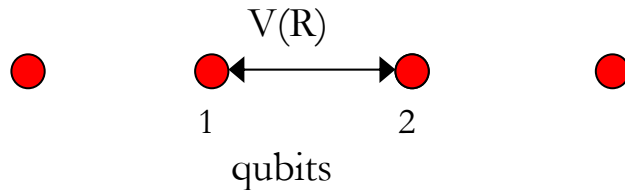
- implement entanglement of two qubits



example:
phase gate

$$\begin{aligned} |00\rangle &\rightarrow |00\rangle \\ |01\rangle &\rightarrow |01\rangle \\ |10\rangle &\rightarrow |10\rangle \\ |11\rangle &\rightarrow e^{i\phi}|11\rangle \end{aligned}$$

- Controlled two-body interaction



We must design a Hamiltonian

$$H = \Delta E(t) |1\rangle_1 \langle 1| \otimes |1\rangle_2 \langle 1|$$

so that

$$|1\rangle_1 \otimes |1\rangle_2 \rightarrow e^{i\phi} |1\rangle_1 \otimes |1\rangle_2$$

Examples:

Cold collisions in moving potentials: optical lattices (Jaksch et al PRL 1999)

Cold collisions in switching potentials: magnetic microtraps (Calarco et al. PRA 2000)

Dipole-dipole interactions: Rydberg gate (Jaksch et al. PRL 2000)

Electrostatic interaction: ion microtraps (Cirac and Zoller Nature 2000; Calarco et al. PRA 2001)

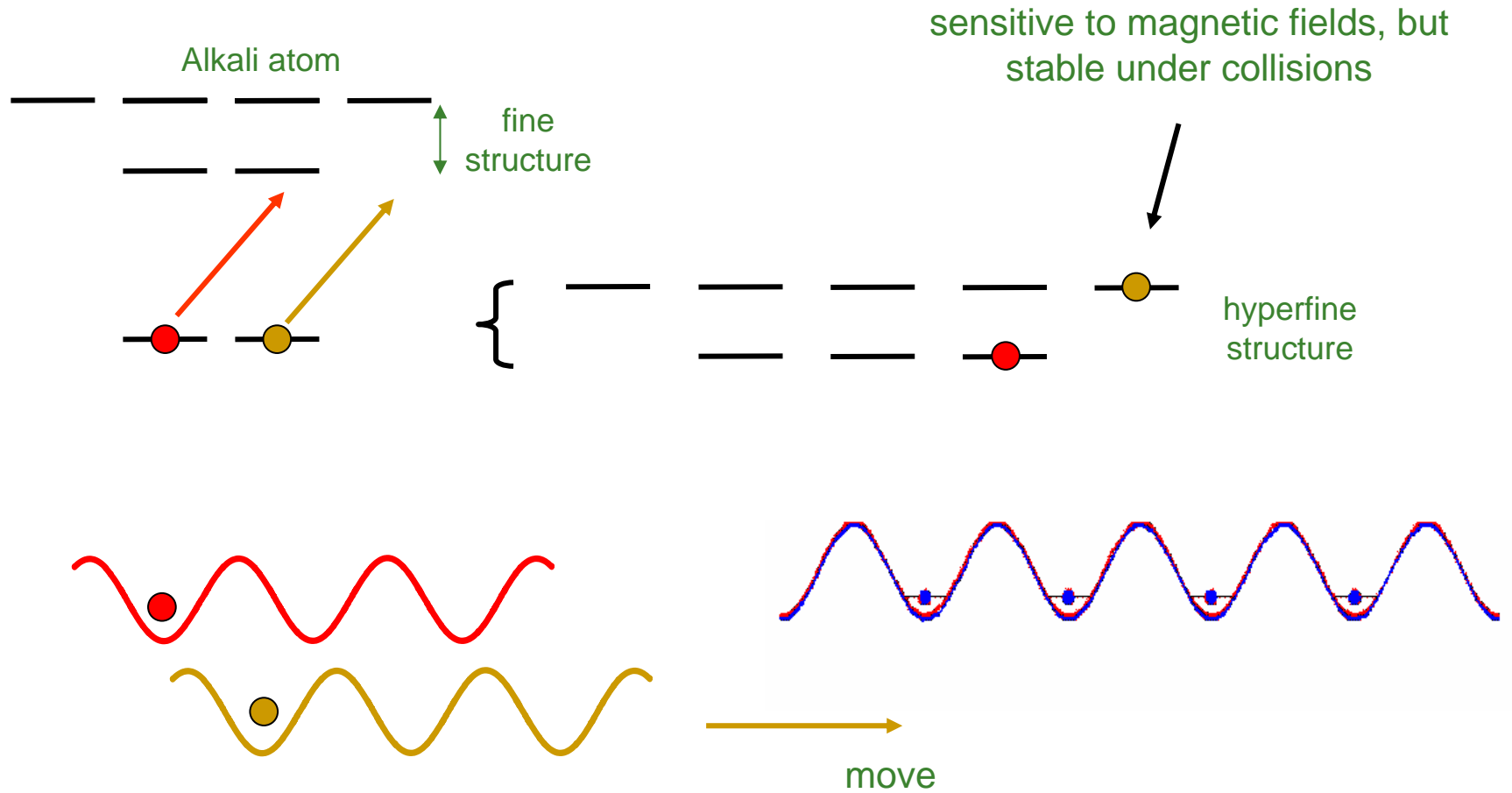
Pauli-blocked excitons: spintronics in quantum dots (Calarco et al. PRA 2003)

Feshbach two-qubit quantum gates

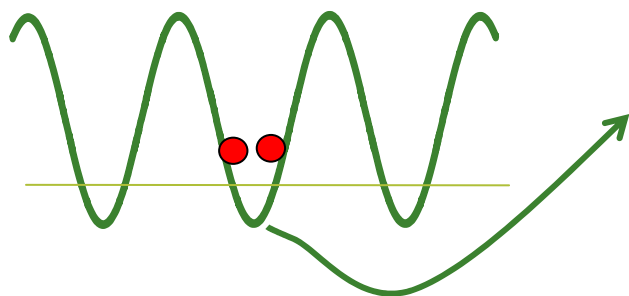
- identifying difficulties with quantum gates based on qubit/spin-dependent lattice movements
- improving on existing gate proposals
- a new Feshbach gate based on „adiabatic massage“
 - ✓ qubit as "clock transition": independent of magnetic fields
 - ✓ qubit-independent superlattice (instead of a spin-dependent lattice)
 - ✓ quantum gate based on state dependent Feshbach resonances
 - ✓ enhanced speed due to Feshbach resonance
 - ✓ relaxed addressability requirements

Present situation

[Jaksch et al. 1999, Bloch et al. experiment 2003]



Molecular resonances (optical or magnetic)

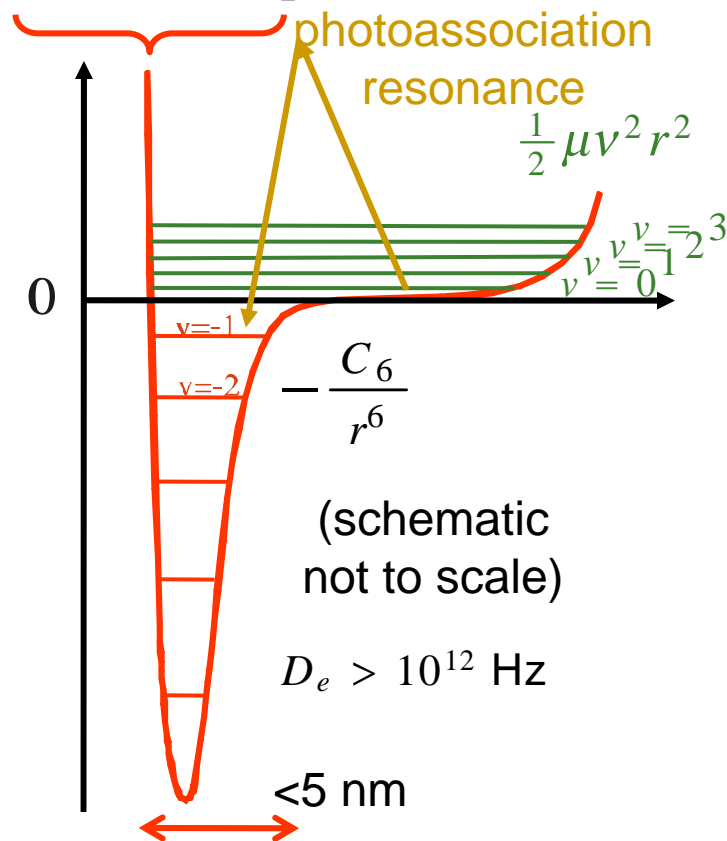


harmonic approximation

$$\left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2(2m)} \nabla_R^2 + \frac{1}{2} (2m) v^2 R^2 \right] \psi_{cm}(R) = E_{cm} \psi_{cm}(R)$$

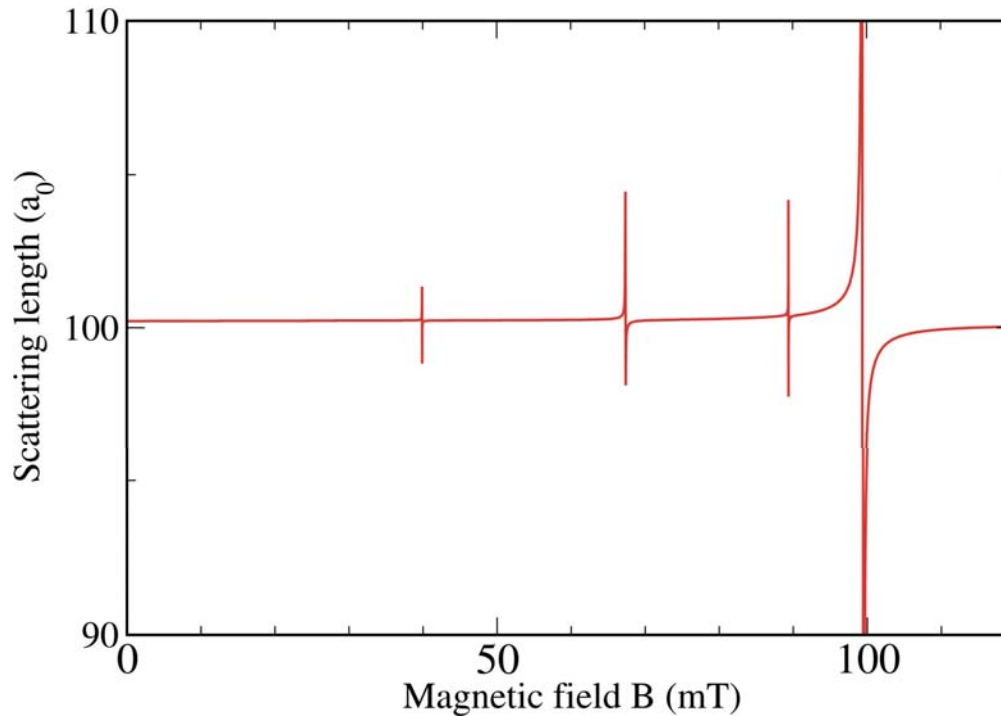
$$\left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \nabla_r^2 + \frac{1}{2} \mu v^2 r^2 + V(r) \right] \psi(r) = E \psi(r)$$

Born Oppenheimer potentials including trap



Feshbach resonances

⁸⁷Rb scattering length ($E/k_B=1$ nK) for a + a collisions



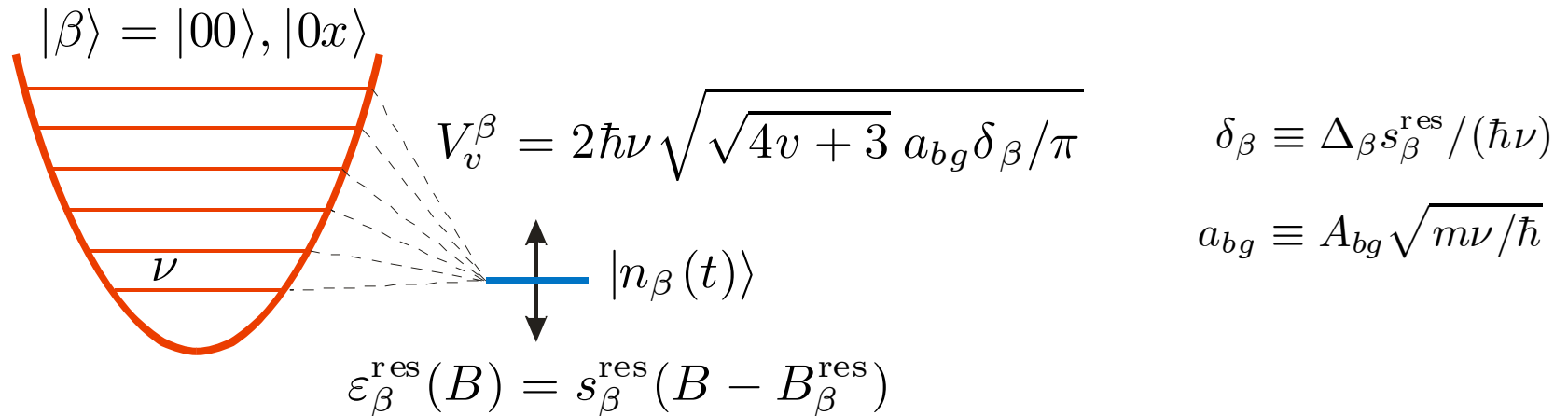
Scattering length
close to a resonance

$$A_{\beta}(B) = A_{bg} \left(1 - \frac{\Delta_{\beta}}{B - B_{\beta}^{res}} \right)$$

Coupled-channel CI model

[Mies et al. 2000]

State $\Psi_\beta(t) = |\beta\rangle \sum_v \phi_v(R) c_v(t) + |n_\beta(t)\rangle \phi^{\text{res}}(R) a_\beta(t)$



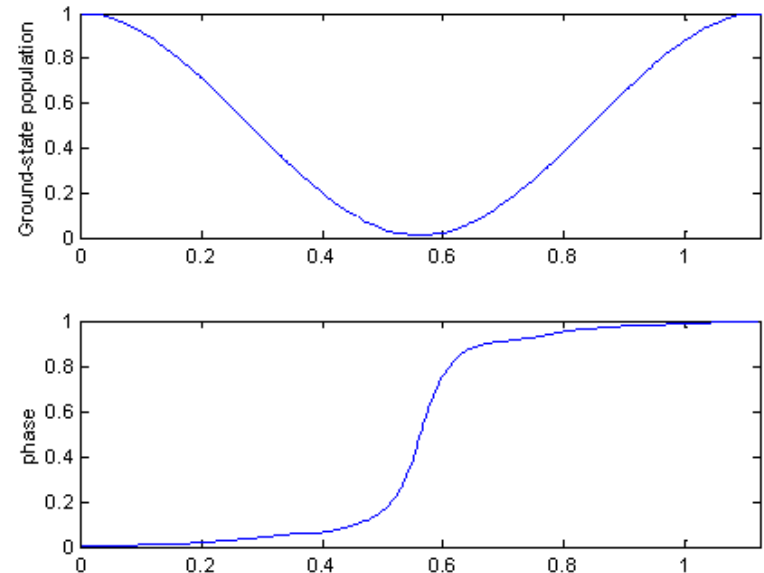
Equations of motion

$$i\hbar\dot{a}_\beta = \epsilon_\beta^{\text{res}}(B) + \sum_v V_v^\beta c_v / \sqrt{2}$$

$$i\hbar\dot{c}_v = (v + 1/2)\hbar\nu c_v + V_v^\beta a_\beta / \sqrt{2}$$

Feshbach switching in a spherical trap

- Start with the (100 G) Feshbach resonance state 10 trap units above threshold
- Switch it suddenly close to threshold
- Wait ~ 1 trap time ($\sim \mu\text{s}$ assuming MHz trap)
- Switch back
- A phase π is accumulated
- Fidelity: 0.9996
- No state dependence required, however difficult atom separation with state-independent potential



Quantum optimal control in a nutshell

- Evolve an initial guess according to control u

$$|\dot{\psi}(t)\rangle = -\frac{i}{\hbar}H(u, t)|\psi(t)\rangle$$

- Project onto the goal state and evolve back

$$|\chi(T)\rangle \equiv |\psi_0\rangle \langle\psi_0|\psi(T)\rangle$$

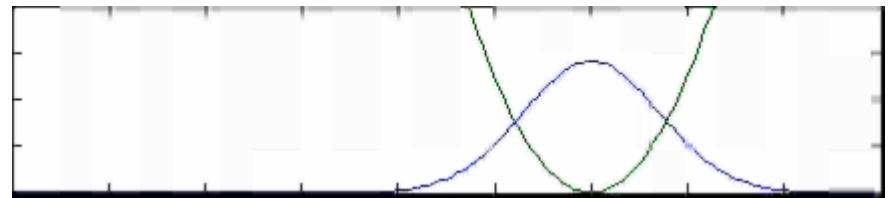
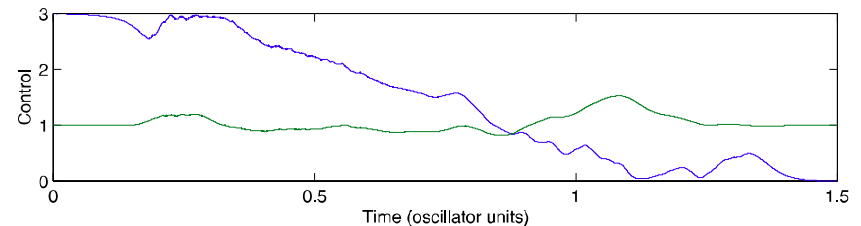
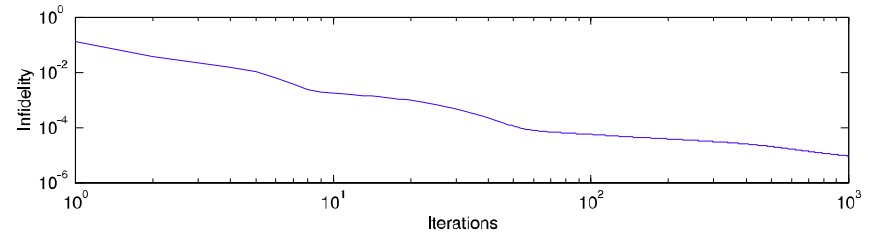
- Evolve forward again while updating the control pulse

$$u_{n+1}(t) = u_n(t) + \frac{2}{\lambda(t)} \Im \langle\chi(t)| \frac{\partial H}{\partial u} |\psi(t)\rangle$$

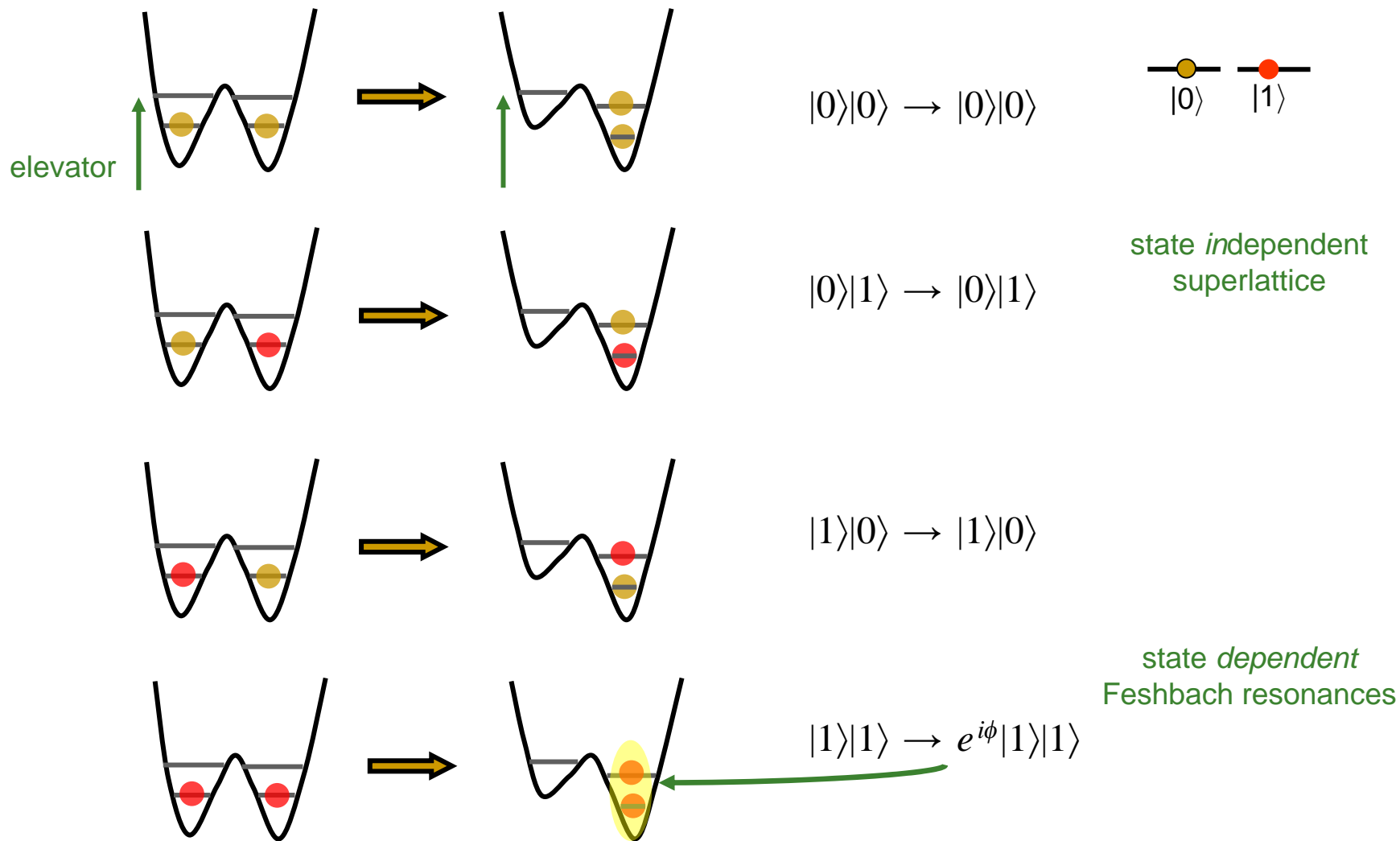
- Repeat until approaching the goal

Nonadiabatic transport in a lattice

- State dependence: lattice displacement
- Non-adiabatic transport in optical lattice: simulation with realistic potential shape
- Fidelity 0.99999 in 1.5 trap times through optimal control theory



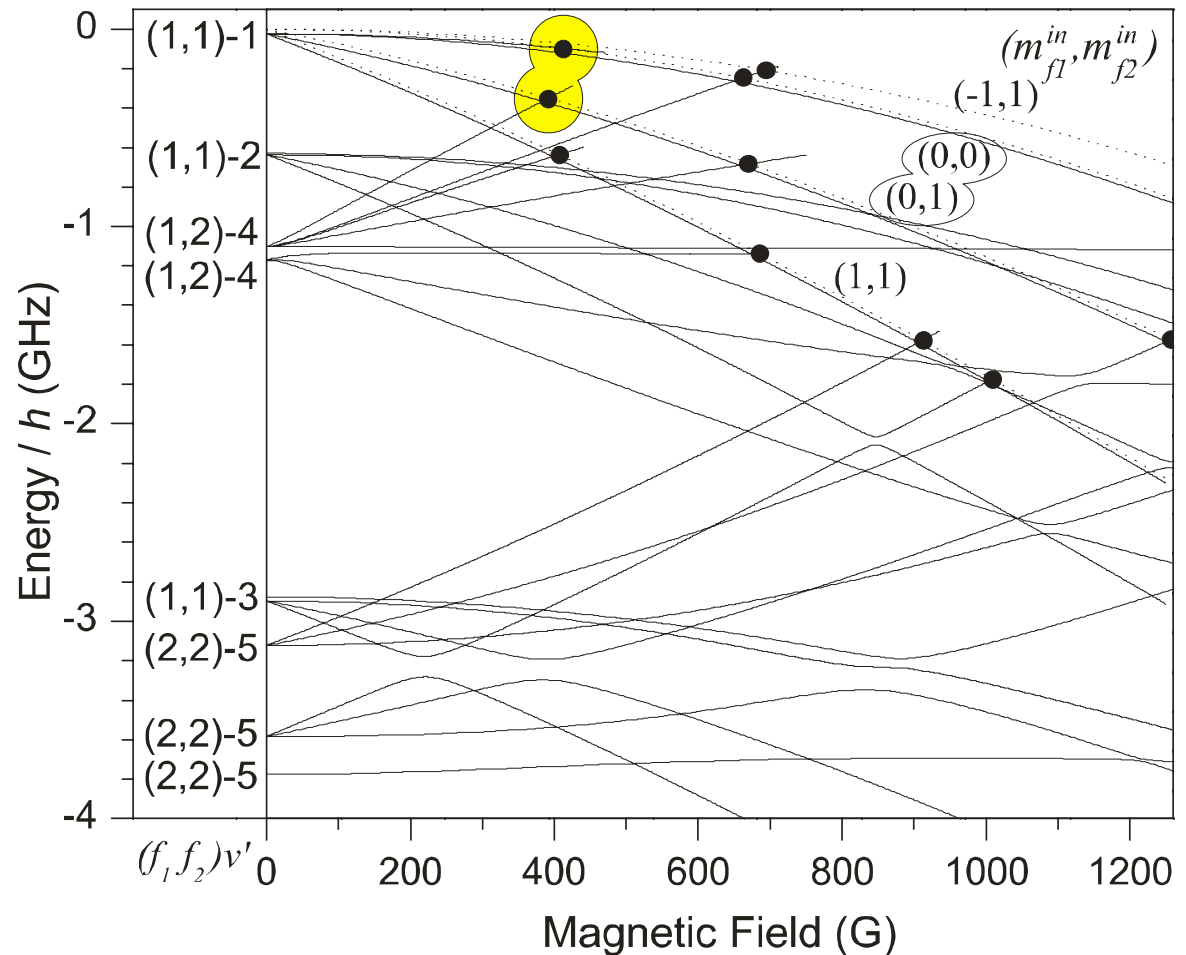
“Adiabatic-massage” phase gate



Looking for resonances

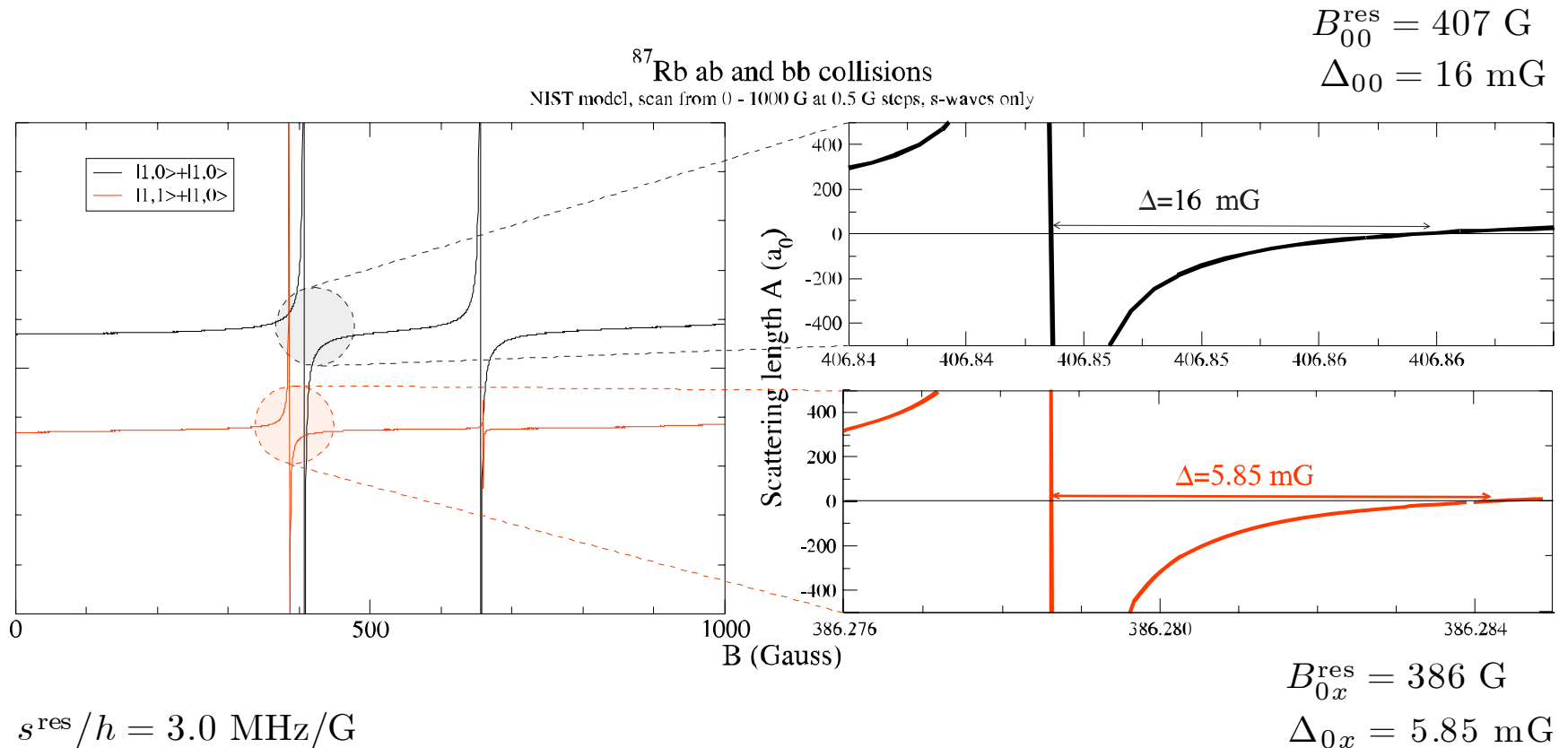
[Marte et al. 2002]

Feshbach resonances happen when some molecular state crosses the dissociation threshold for a particular entrance channel



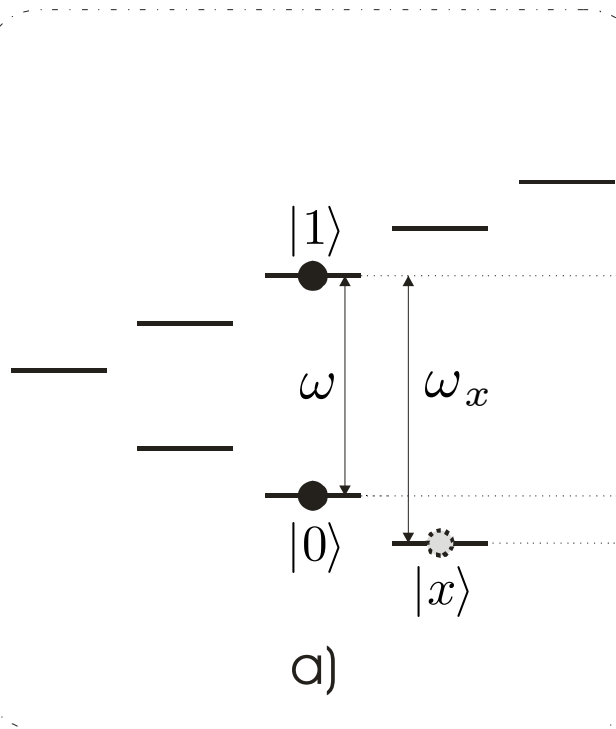
Identifying qubit states

- Logical states: ^{87}Rb clock states $|0\rangle \equiv |F = 1, m_F = 0\rangle$ $|1\rangle \equiv |F = 2, m_F = 0\rangle$
- Auxiliary state $|x\rangle \equiv |F = 1, m_F = 1\rangle$

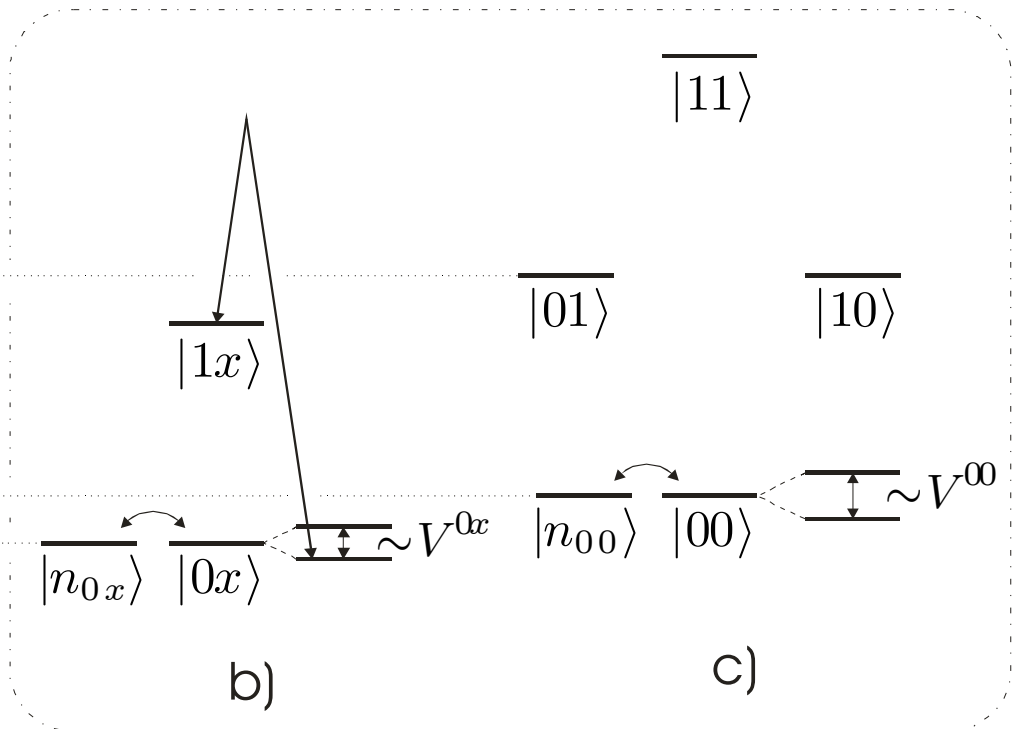


Level scheme

Single atom



Two atoms



Single-qubit rotation
via auxiliary state

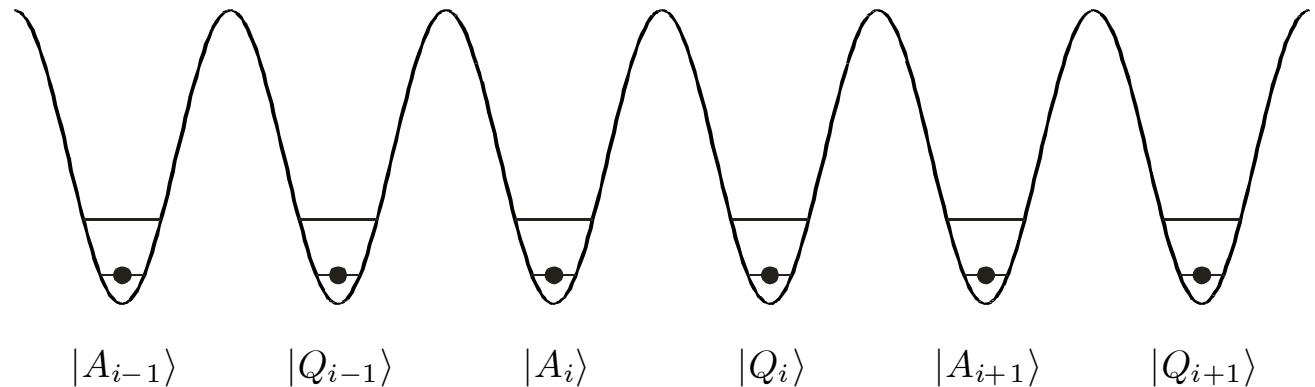
Two-qubit gate via
Feshbach interaction

Massaging the potential

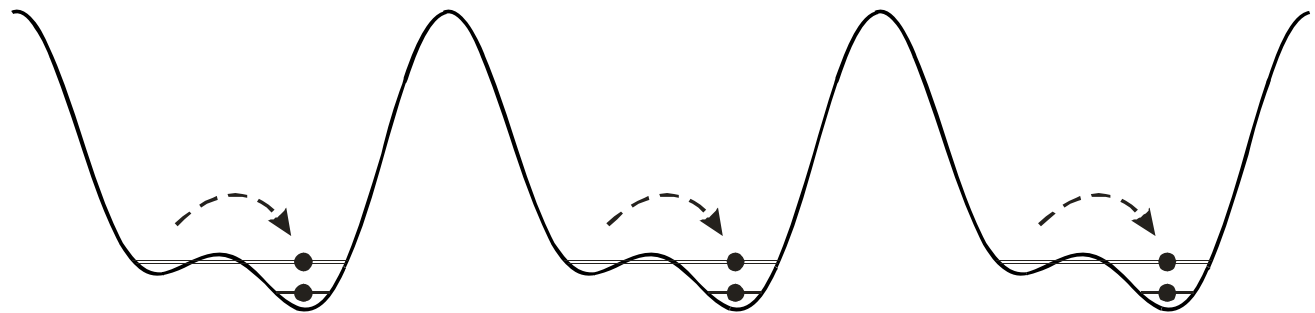
- Example: Two-color optical lattice

$$U(\mathbf{x}, \phi) = U_{\perp}(y, z) + U_0 \left[\left(1 + \frac{u_1 + u_2}{2} \right) \cos^2(2kx) + \sqrt{u_1^2 + u_2^2} \cos^2 \left(kx + \frac{\sigma}{2} \arctan \frac{u_2}{u_1} + \frac{p\pi}{2} \right) \right]$$

- Auxiliary and Qubit atomic sites

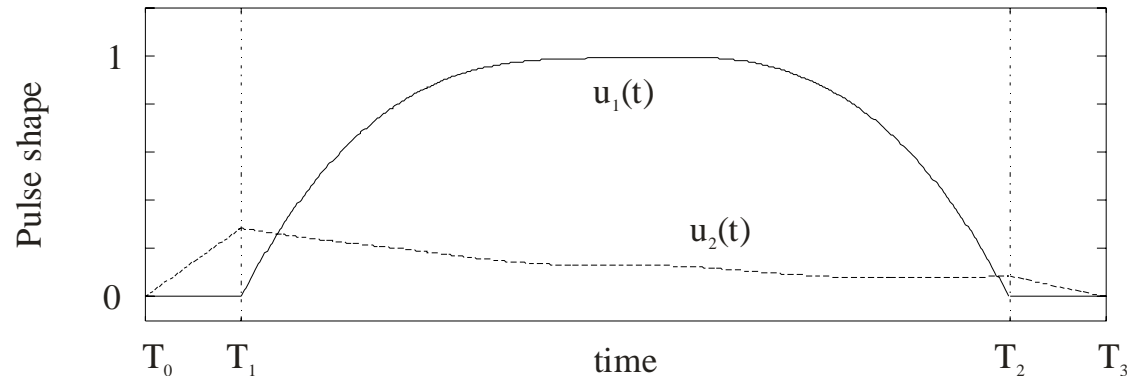
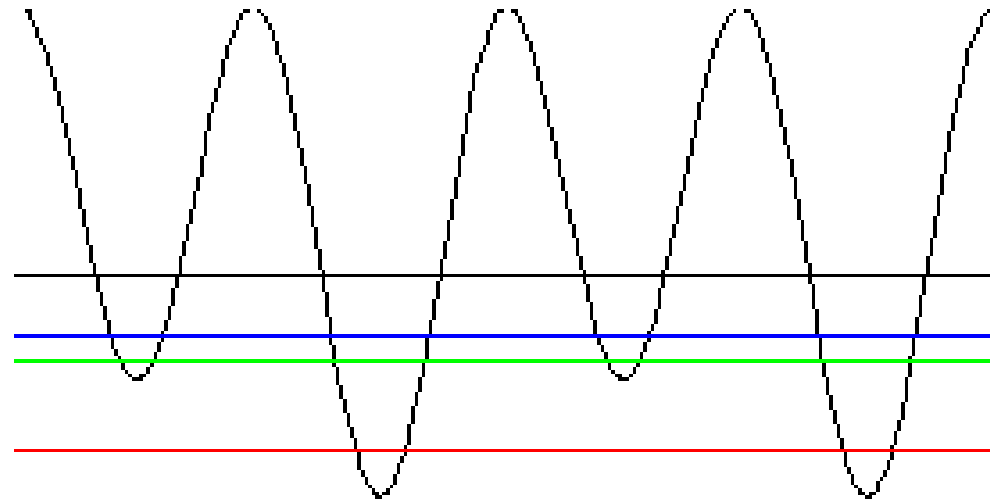


- Adiabatic transfer by barrier lowering

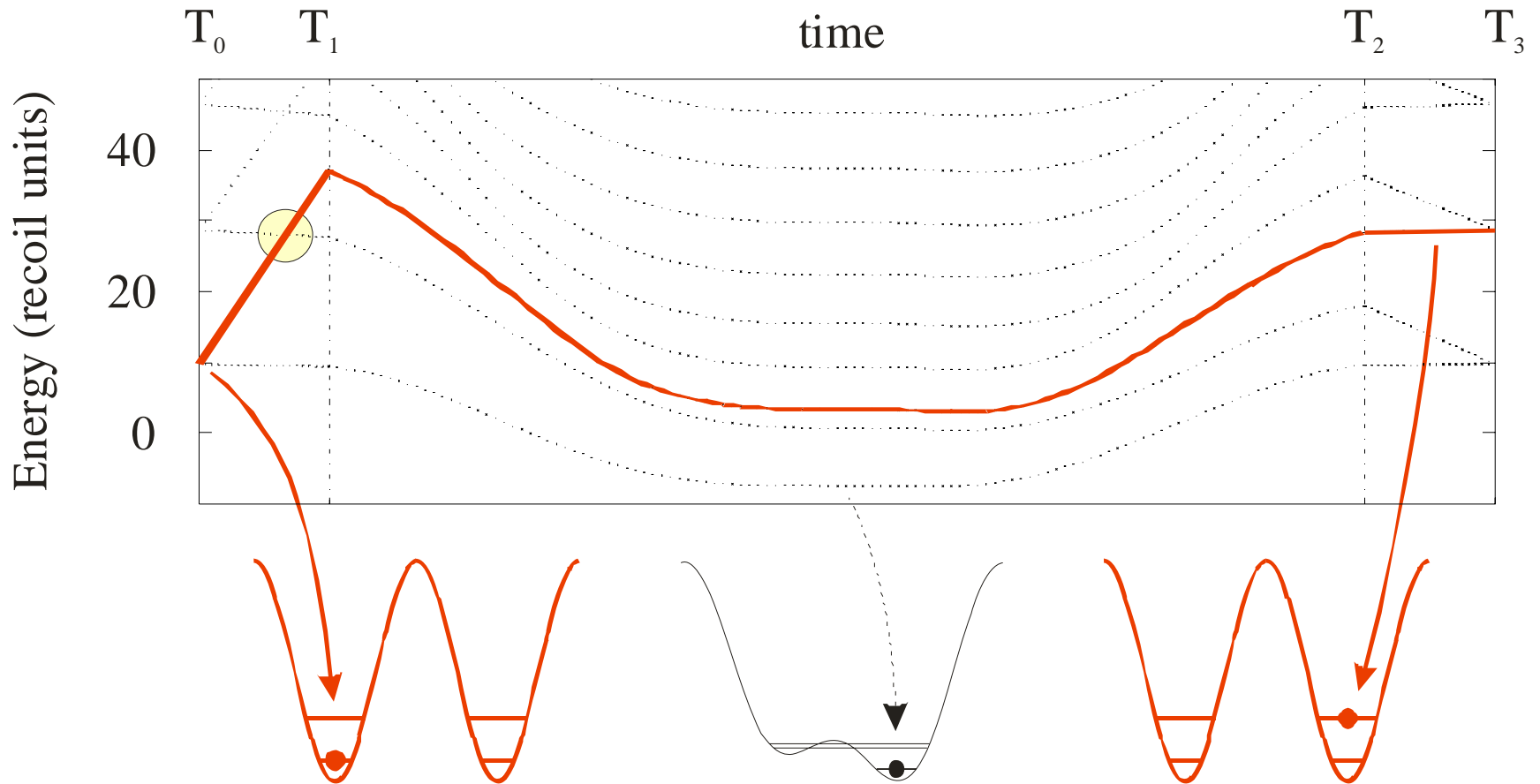


Transport in a two-color optical lattice

- Raise abruptly one every two wells
- Slowly lower the barrier and raise it again
- Transport infidelity $\sim 10^{-3}$ in 10 trap times with a pulse optimized “by hands”



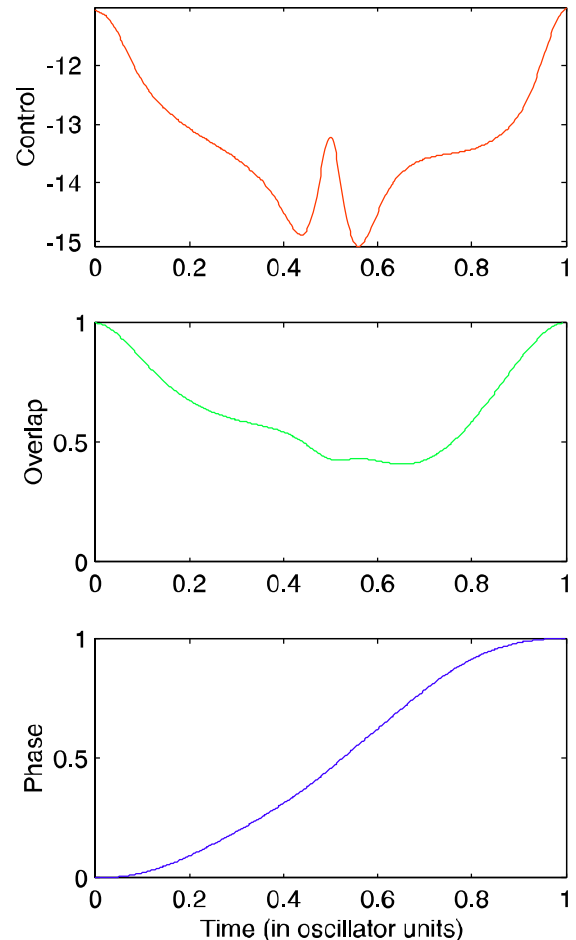
Connection diagram



The left ground-state atom gets transferred to the right first excited state, while the right atom remains in its ground state

Phase gate via optimal control

- Ramping the resonance state across threshold
- The state $|00\rangle$ is selectively affected
- A phase π is accumulated over one oscillation period
- Infidelity $\sim 10^{-5}$ in a 20kHz trap with anisotropy factor 10



Summary

- Gate “markers”
 - Single-qubit: $|x\rangle_A$
 - Two-qubit: $|0\rangle_A, |1\rangle_A$
- Preparation of task-specific patterns
 - Relaxing single-qubit addressability requirements
- Implementation
 - Optical lattices
 - Atom chips
 - Magnetic
 - Optical (microlenses; “mirror lattice” on a chip?)
- Quantum optimal control is useful for
 - fast atom transport
 - efficient entangling operations