

Tailoring Coupling Constants to Simulate Spin Models in a Segmented Trap



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Microwaves & Hyperfine Qubit



- use microwaves and rf for coherent state manipulation of ¹⁷¹Yb⁺
- the magnetic gradient makes Zeeman splitting position dependent
- the resonance frequency is unique for each ion

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- total energy: sum of Zeeman shift and the trapping potential
- equilibrium positions becomes state dependent, mimicks momentum transfer; MAgnetic Gradient Induced Coupling: MAGIC
- via Coulomb repulsion each ion affects the equilibrium positions of all other ions, changing their eigen values

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Long distance entanglement (LDE)

- ground-state, indirect, end-to-end entanglement in spin-chains, useful for quantum bus
- Ioosely coupled end/messenger ions



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LDE Conditions

- weak coupling between the two external spins and the remaining spins
- non-degenerate ground state, no B field
- examples: models with competing interactions along orthogonal axes as XY, XYZ, Heisenberg...

$$H_{XY} = \sum_{j,k} \left(J_x \sigma_j^x \sigma_k^x + J_y \sigma_j^y \sigma_k^y \right)$$
$$H_{XYZ} = \sum_{j,k} \left(J_x \sigma_j^x \sigma_k^x + J_y \sigma_j^y \sigma_k^y + J_z \sigma_j^z \sigma_k^z \right)$$
$$H_{Heisenberg} = J \sum_{j,k} \left(\sigma_j^x \sigma_k^x + \sigma_j^y \sigma_k^y + \sigma_j^z \sigma_k^z \right)$$



LDE Work Plan

- Manipulation of the spin-spin couplings:
 >weakly coupled end-spins
- 2. Engineering of Hamiltonian:
 - interaction along z and along another axis
- 3. Preparation of the ground state:
 ➤adiabatic variation of some Hamiltonian parameter







Segmented µtrap

- linear Paul trap, three layer structure
- basic design from Mainz group (Schmidt-Kaler), altered by our group
- segments allow flexible axial trapping potentials and multiple trapping zones
- carrier acts as vacuum interface (!)



Potential Simulation





- boundary element method [1]
- structures reflected in potentials simulation:
 - width of electrodes
 - electrode separation
 - middle layer coils
- helpful for shuttling, tayloring of potentials

[1] K. Singer et al., Rev. Mod. Phys., arXiv:0912.0196v2



Extension: Tikhonov Regularization

- we want to get a specific potential $\,\, \phi \,$
- we need to solve vor the voltages V_i :

$$\hat{A}\vec{V}=\vec{\phi}$$

- often ill conditioned, instead weminimize $\|\hat{A}\vec{V} \vec{\phi}\|^2$ (least squares)
- boundary condition $\|\hat{A}\vec{V} \vec{\phi}\|^2 \|\hat{\Gamma}\vec{V}\|^2$
- if Tikhonov matrix $\bar{\Gamma}\,$ equals identitiy, algorithm prefers solution with smaller norm



Designing the Coupling



- triple well potential defines couplings with three parameters
- find appropriate triple well
- minima can be much closer than 2 segment widths (!)
- find voltages



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- harmonic coupling:
 - delocalized normal modes
 - all ions are strongly coupled, long range
 - global scaling by trap frequency and gradient



- triple well:
 - localized modes within wells
 - ions within the same well are strongly couples
 - inter-well coupling strongly reduced
 - local scaling by curvature and gradient



- anharmonic trap:
 - some modes localized, localization scalable
 - scalable inter-well coupling



- anharmonic trap
 - some modes localized, localization scalable
 - scalable inter-well coupling
 - similar conditions for more ions in centre well

2. Mimic Other Hamiltonians

 engineer Hamiltonian dynamics using microwave fields which sequentially drive the atomic spins

$$H = \sum_{j=1}^{N} \omega_j \sigma_j^z + \sum_{j,k} J_{j,k} \sigma_j^z \sigma_k^z - i \sum_m \Omega_m(t) \left[\sigma_{j_m}^+ e^{i\nu_{j_m}t} - \sigma_{j_m}^- e^{-i\nu_{j_m}t} \right]$$

- every time-step: driving field is quasi-resonant with a single spin resonance; effect on the other off-resonant spins is negligible
- bracketing a free evolution between µwave pulses mimics coupling along a different axis:

$$e^{-i\pi\sigma_j^{y/4}}\sigma_j^{z}e^{i\pi\sigma_j^{y/4}}=\sigma_j^{x}$$

QO

Sequential Forth and Back



$\sigma^z \sigma^z$ -Coupling



cw precession

$\sigma^z \sigma^z$ -Coupling



ccw precession

$\sigma^y \sigma^z$ -Coupling



cw precession





ccw precession

or: $e^{-i\pi\sigma_j^y/4}\sigma_j^z e^{i\pi\sigma_j^y/4} = \sigma_i^x$



3. Adiabatic Prep. of Ground State

Under a slow variation of some Hamiltonian parameter, a system initially in an eigenstate will follow the instantaneous eigenstate

 $H_{\text{eff}}(h,\alpha) = H_I^{(z)}(h) + \alpha H_I^{(x)}(h)$





- initially the large gap allows for fast sweeping
- slow down towards smaller gaps to remain adiabatic



- adiabaticity well fulfilled
- final state: high fidelity with instantaneous ground state (red curve)
- Iarge concurrence / entanglement (blue curve)



Adiabatic Transformation + Pulsed Dynamics



- reasonable agreement with effective Hamiltonian
- quantum simulation
- ground state entanglement



Increase Ramp Speed





- Iower fidelity
- oscillatory behavior
- still good concurrence

Adiabatic Transformation + Pulsed Dynamics + Dephasing



- fidelity decreases over time
- still good concurrence

LDE Outlook



- tailoring the axial trapping potential can generate coupling patterns useful for LDE
- an effective XZ Hamiltonian by bracketing the evolution time with resonant microwave pulses
- changing the relative evolution times allows to sweep from Ising to XZ Hamiltonian
- simulations show ground state population, concurrence
- challenges: large gradients, coherence

Microtrap Witches And Wizards





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