

Excitations and Interactions

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B4, B6, B13_N

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Materials Design - Synthesis & Modelling

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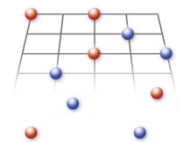
Cooperative Phenomena

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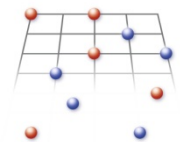
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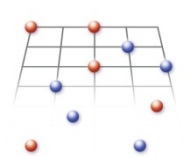
- Spin physics is now much deeper integrated into our model systems
- Dynamical aspects now much expanded and strengthened
- Polaronic excitations are studied in a variety of model systems (presented by Michael Fleischhauer)

→ We now have much better systems to use tunability



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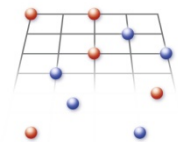
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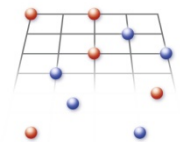
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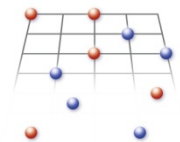
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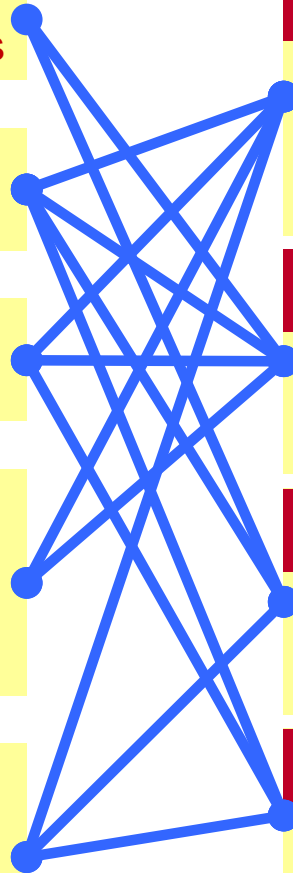
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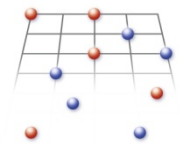
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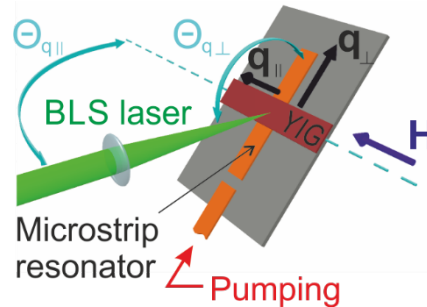
Magnon gases – magnon-lattice interactions

Magneto-elastic modes and lifetime of magnons in yttrium-iron garnet films

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Experimental method

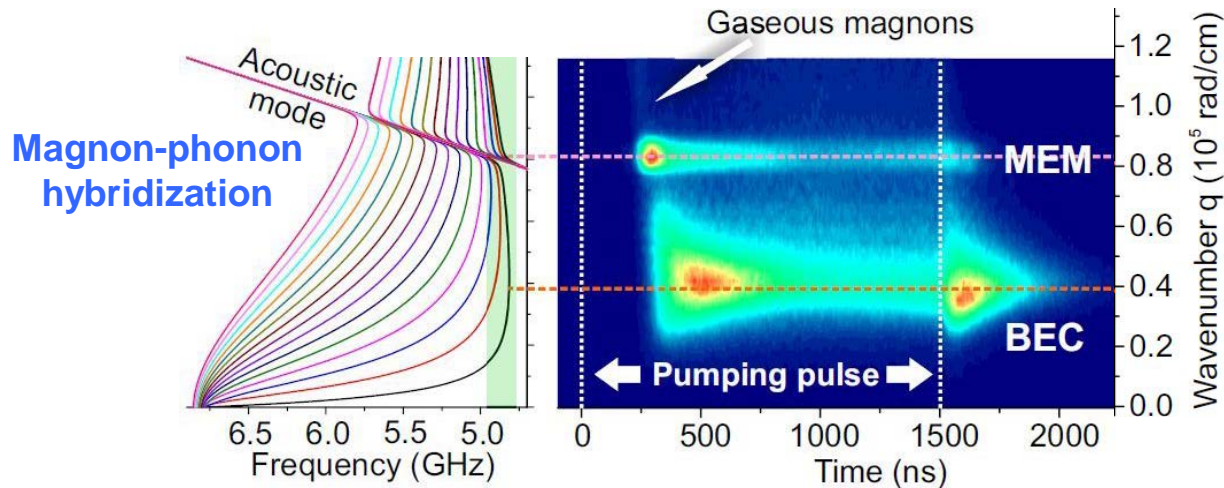
Time-, space- and wavevector-resolved BLS spectroscopy of parametrically injected magnons



Phonon-magnon spectrum & damping
Phys. Rev. B (2014)

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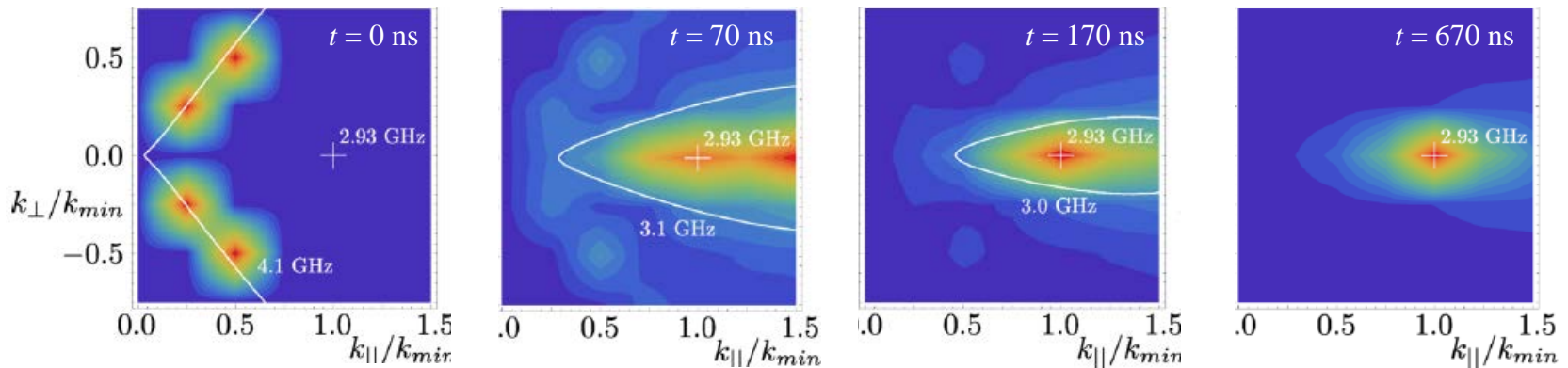
Highlight: Condensation of hybridized magnon-phonon states



Magnon gases –thermalization, electric detection

Highlight: Thermalization of the free evolving magnon gas in YIG due to coupling to a phonon bath

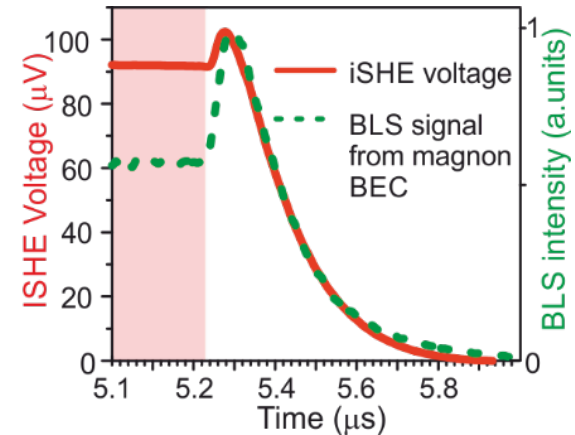
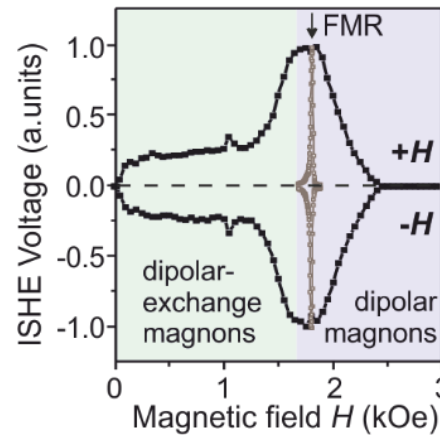
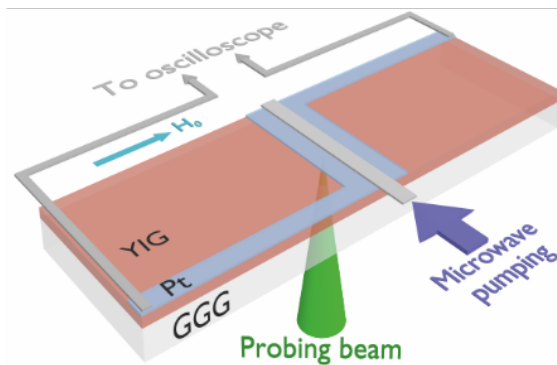
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Highlight: Electric detection of magnon gas dynamics and its coherency

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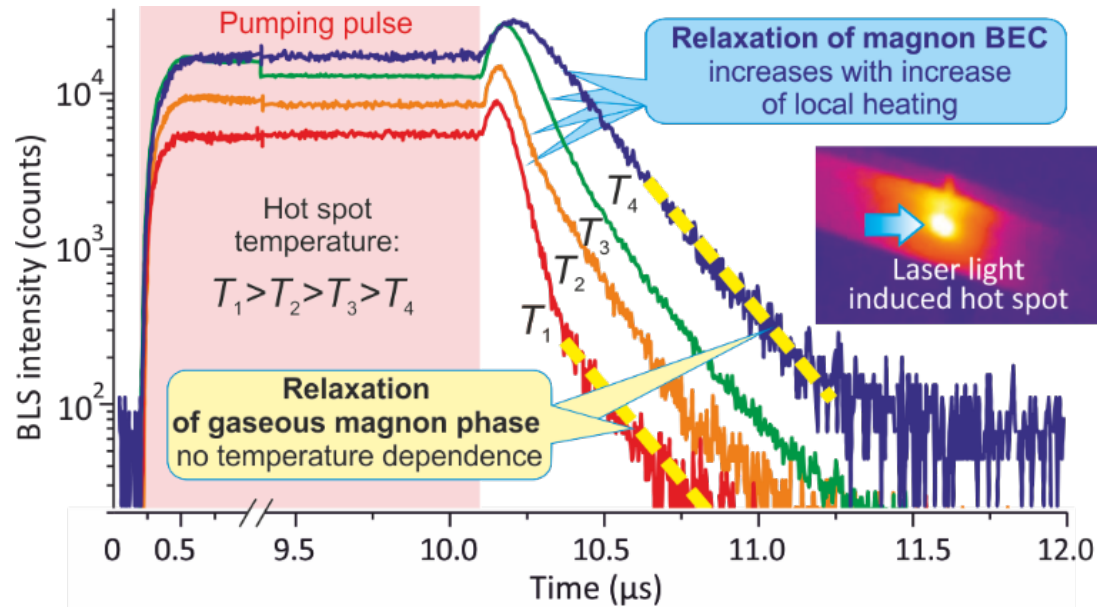
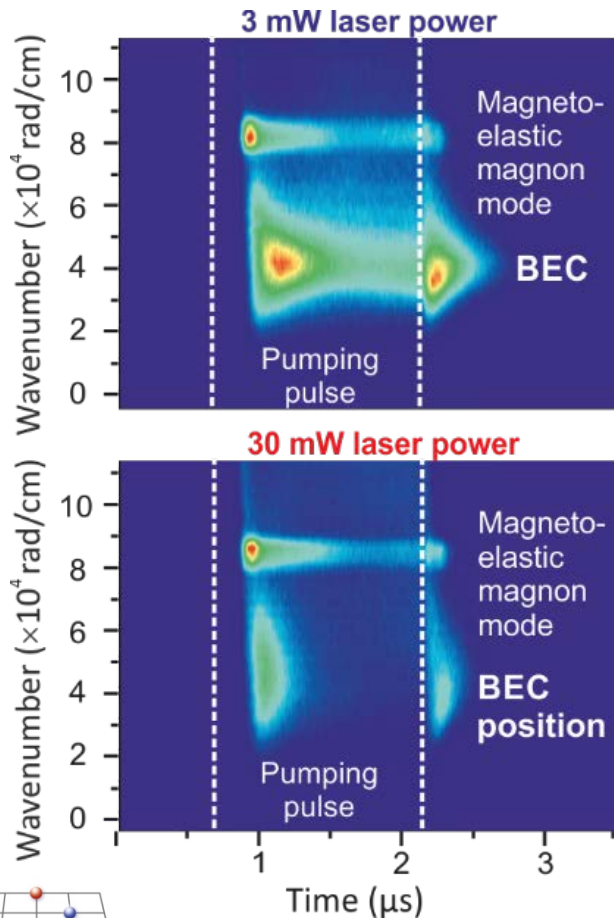


Magnon gases – evidence of a supercurrent

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Evolution of the magnon BEC, gaseous magnon phase, and magneto-elastic mode in a local temperature gradient

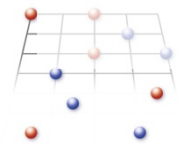
Next: Magnon Supercurrent – jointly with **A8**



Fast relaxation of the magnon BEC due to the magnon leakage caused by a phase induced **magnon supercurrent**

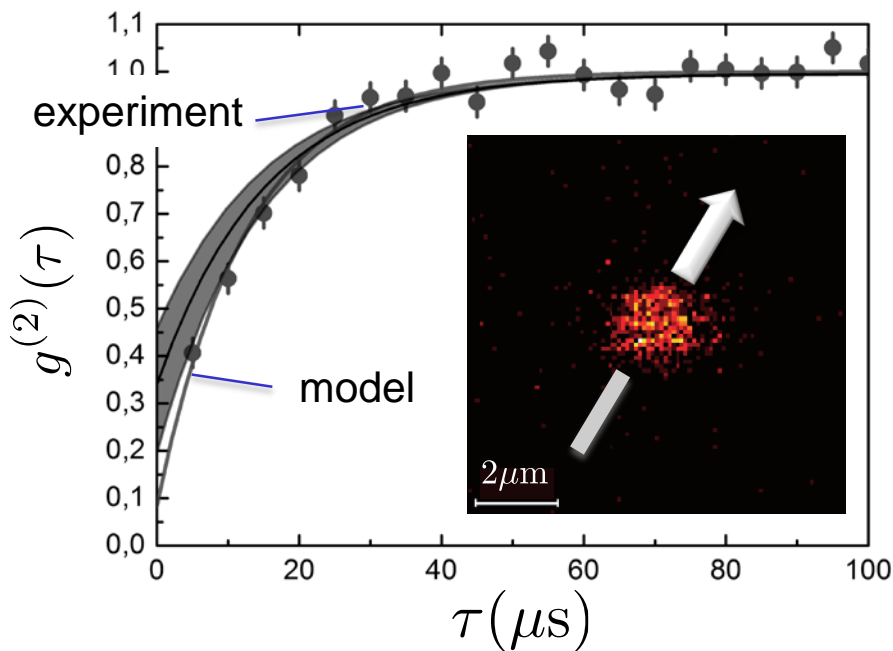
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Excitation and dynamics of a Rydberg super-atom

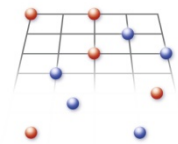
Highlight: preparation, characterization and theoretical understanding of a mesoscopic superatom



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- **Superatom = ingredient to study spin physics with long-range interactions** **A9**
 - first preparation of isolated superatom, only one excitation $g^{(2)}(0) \rightarrow 0.08 \pm 0.06$ (strong anti-bunching due to Rydberg blockade)
 - quantitative theoretical modeling and understanding **A5**

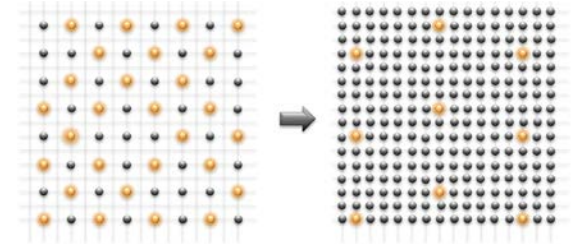


Rydberg gases in optical lattices

Competing ordered structures in effective lattices

- preparation of lattice structures with varying lattice spacing by e-beam depletion
- analysis of structural transitions

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cubic – triangular transition

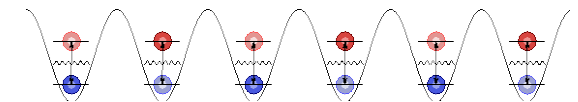
Crystalline and magnetic order in lattice gases

- crystalline, supersolid and magnetic phases & dynamics of their formation
- Including kinetic energy beyond „frozen Rydberg gas“
- excitation (s-p) transport in lattice gases

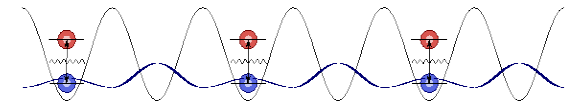
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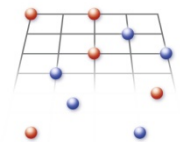
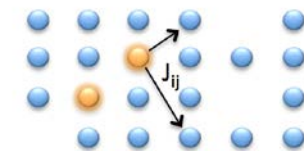
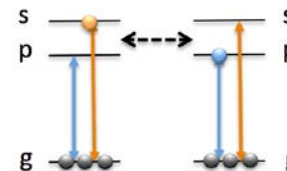
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canted Ising antiferromagnet



supersolid



Engineering interactions mediated by a BEC

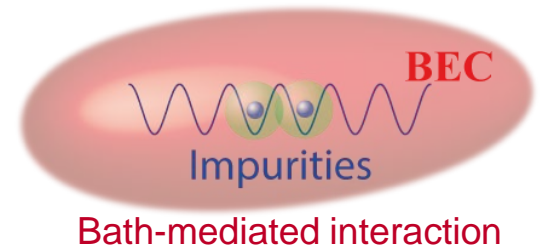
Bath mediated interaction: Beyond the single polaron description

- Characterize mediated impurity-impurity interaction
- Study impurity dynamics and properties in the strongly interacting regime

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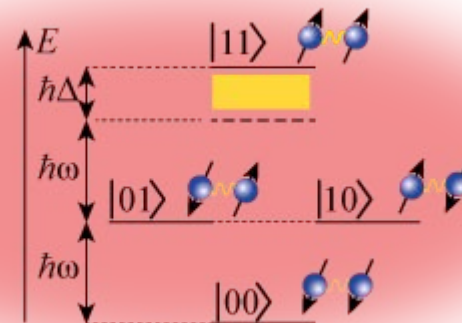
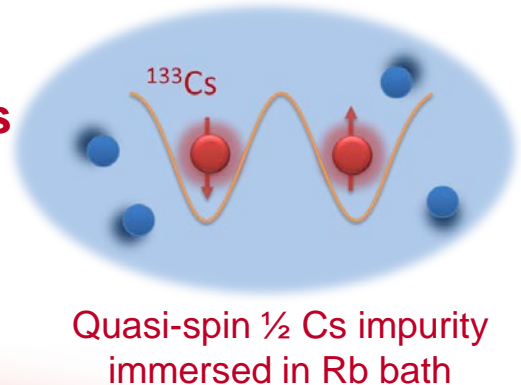
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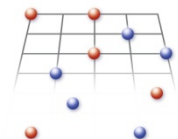
Effective spin-spin interaction between two impurities

- Exploit hyperfine ground states as quasi-spin
- Study spin-dependent impurity-bath interaction
- Induce and control effective spin-spin interaction
- A model system for interacting dimers

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Bath mediated spin-spin interaction

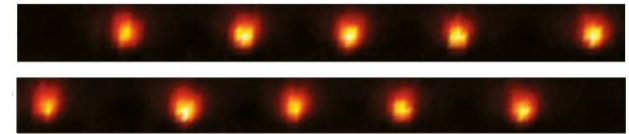


Designing spin-spin interactions in ion crystals

Advantages of trapped ion crystals **A10**

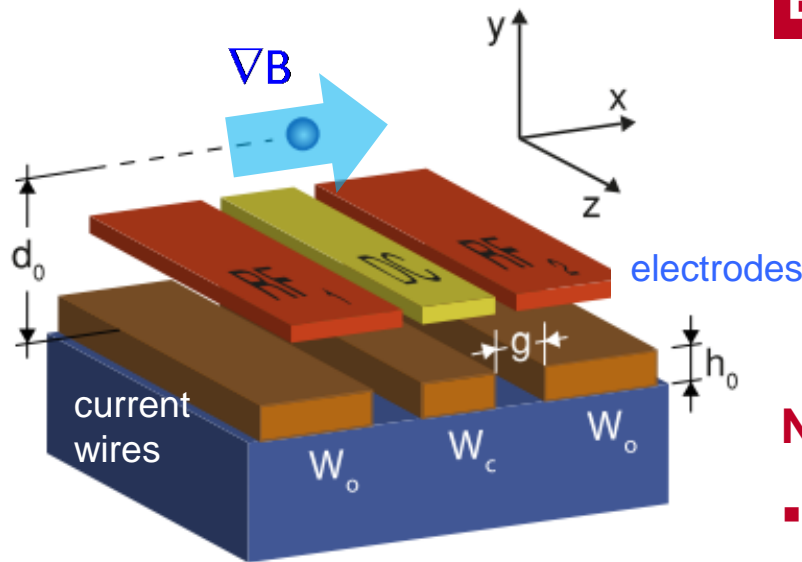
- linear or two-dimensional structures available
- Strong and long range interactions, tailored by design of vibrational modes **A3**
- trigonal symmetry allows for spin-frustration

$$H = \sum_{j < i} J_{ij} \sigma_x^{(i)} \sigma_x^{(j)} - B \sum_i \sigma_y^{(i)}$$

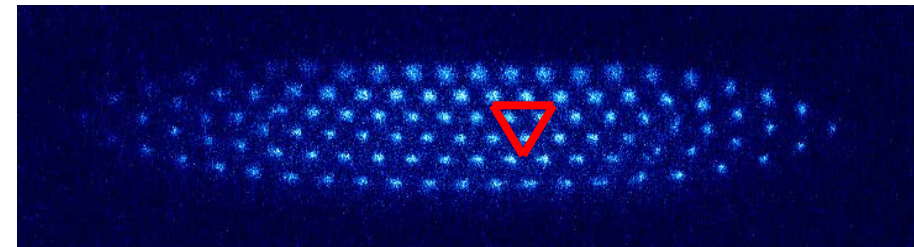


Islam et al., Science **340**, 583 (2013)

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novel chip trap, realized in Mainz



Planar crystal with 100 ions

Next: Spin-dependent tailored forces

- optical dipole force in standing wave
- Stern-Gerlach force on ion spins in gradient B
- Implementation in micro-structured planar trap

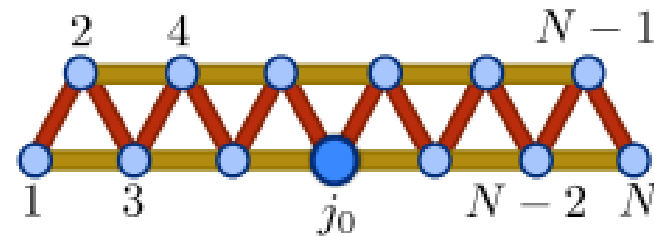
Quantum magnetism – J_1 - J_2 ladder system

Ladder spin system in a zigzag ion crystal

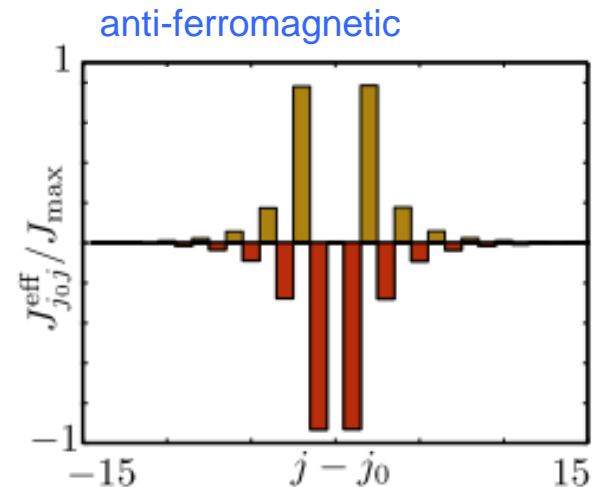
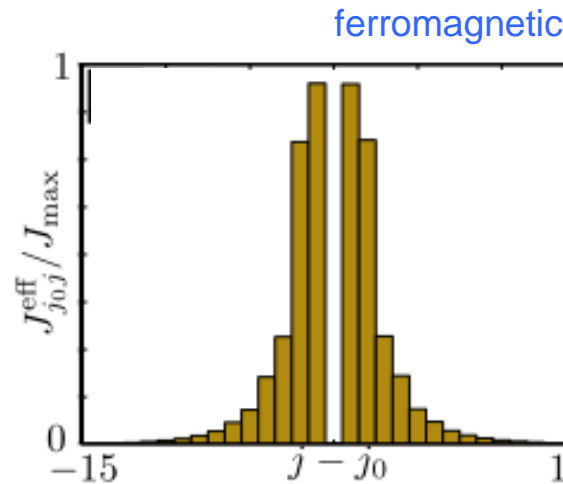
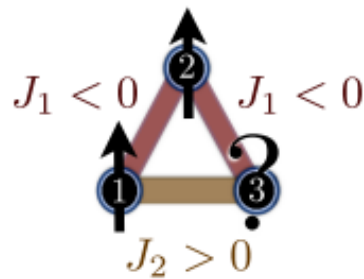
- Controlled sign-change of J^{eff}
- Effective Hamiltonian

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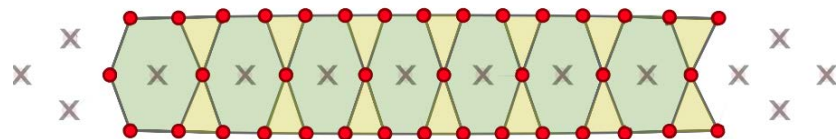
$$H_{\text{eff}} = \sum_{j \neq k} J_{jk}^{\text{eff}} \sigma_j^z \sigma_k^z - h \sum_j \sigma_j^x$$



Ladder spin system



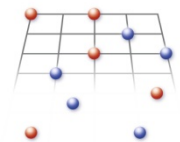
- Complex phase diagram in frustrated Ising model: paramagnetic, ferro and anti-ferromagnetic, dipolar and floating phase
- Simulation of effects of tunable frustration in complex geometric structures **B3**



Kagome system

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Quantum magnets

Novel interaction-driven cooling processes in ultra cold quantum gases and solid state systems

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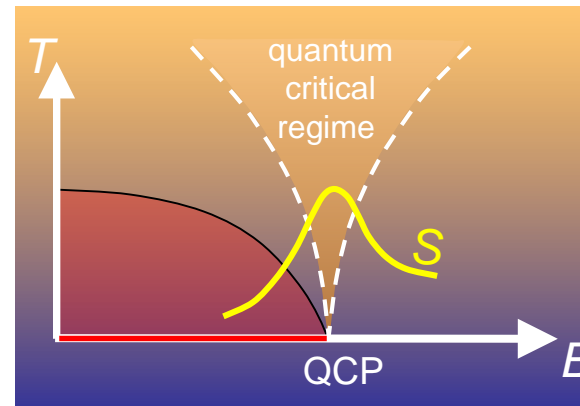
Samples prepared in

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solid state systems:

- accumulation of entropy around a B -induced quantum-critical point
→ efficient magnetic cooling

Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA (2011)



Int. J. Mod. Phys. (2014)

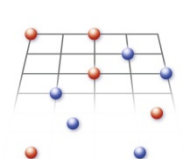
A3 **B4**

Theoretical aspects of magnetic cooling

B3 **A8**

- proof of principle:
→ antiferromagnetic $S = \frac{1}{2}$ Heisenberg spin chain (AFHC)
- Cooling efficiency: paramagnet: ~10%; AFHC: ~ 25%; 2d frustrated afm: ~ 50%

Next: 2d frustrated quantum magnets such as Cs_2CuCl_4



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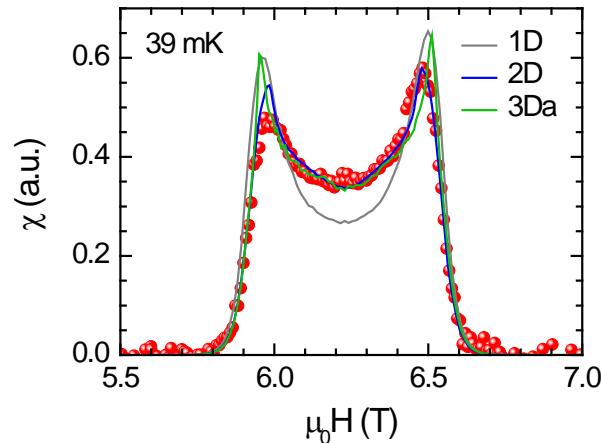
Coupled $S=1/2$ dimer systems: effects of 2D excitations

Nature Comm. 5, 5169 (2014)
with S. Wessel, Aachen

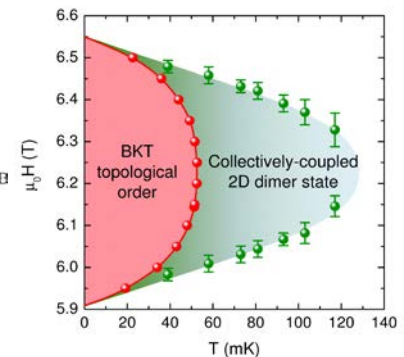
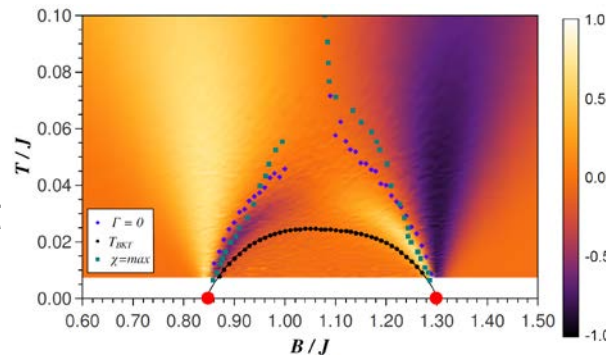
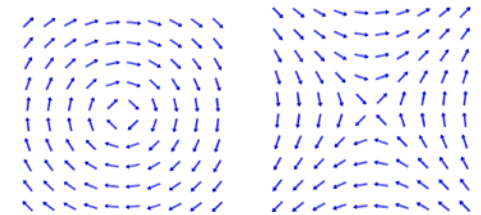
- Cu-coordination polymer (TK91)
- excitations reveal a distinctly 2D character
- Berezinskii-Kosterlitz-Thouless scenario
 - occurrence of vortex and anti-vortex excitations
- theory of the critical behavior and the magnetocaloric effect

arXiv:1412.0266

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B1 **B2** **B5**



Next:

- new materials with extended range of field induced order (stable organic radicals)
- Simulations on coupled clusters

B5

B3

