



Quantum Optics Seminar

Title: QUANTUM GATES, ENTANGLEMENT, AND TELPORTATION

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Abstract:

Single ions and crystals of ions are confined in a linear Paul trap and are investigated for quantum information processing. Superpositions of the $S_{1/2}$ ground state and the long lived $D_{5/2}$ state are used to implement a qubit. The ions are optically cooled and fluorescence light at 397 nm on the $S_{1/2} - P_{1/2}$ transition is monitored for a state measurement by the “electron shelving” technique. The $S_{1/2} - D_{5/2}$ quadrupole transition at 729 nm is excited for cooling the crystals to the vibrational ground state and for the manipulation of individual qubits.

On a two ion crystal we have realized a *universal two-qubit quantum gate* [1]. The quantum state of the control qubit $|c\rangle$ determines the rotation of the quantum state of the target qubit $|t\rangle$ like $|c\rangle|t\rangle \rightarrow |c\rangle|c \otimes t\rangle$, where \otimes indicates a modulo-2 addition. This gate operation is in principle fully scalable to larger strings of ions.

Second, we have deterministically generated all four *Bell states* $\Phi_{\pm}=|SS\rangle \pm |DD\rangle$, and $\Psi_{\pm}=|SD\rangle \pm |DS\rangle$ with fidelity of 90% [2]. The density matrix of these Bell states has been fully determined by applying a quantum state tomography. We find that states of the type $|SD\pm DS\rangle$ exhibit ultra-long coherence times, reaching the fundamental limit of coherence which is given by the spontaneous decay of the upper qubit level at $\tau=1$ s.

Using a three ion crystal we have generated *three ion entanglement*, namely the W-state $|SDD\rangle + |DSD\rangle + |DDS\rangle$ and the GHZ state $|SDS\rangle + |DSD\rangle$. The qubit entanglement is studied by determining the corresponding density matrices. Recently, we implemented deterministic, “on demand” *teleportation* with the elementary quantum processor.

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