# Simulating magnetism using semiconductor quantum dot arrays

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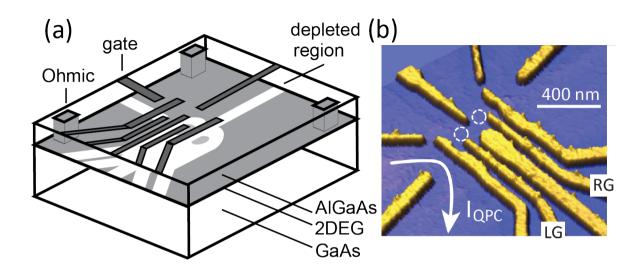


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### **All-electrical semiconductor quantum dots**



Artificial atoms and molecules

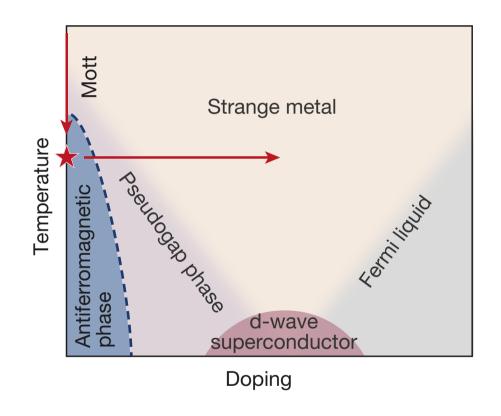
### **Discrete # charges, quantized orbitals**

### **Electrical control and detection**

- Tunable # of electrons and tunnel barriers
- Electrical contacts
- All-electrical spin control and detection

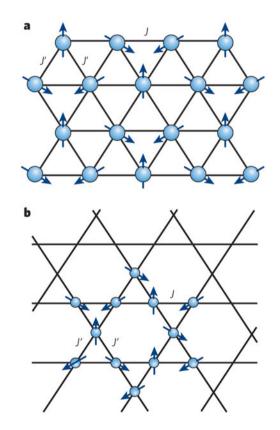


### Fermi-Hubbard physics



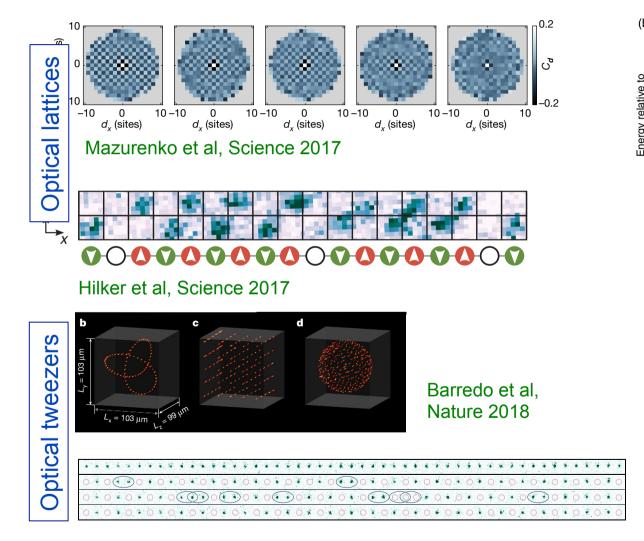
Mazurenko et al, Nature 2017

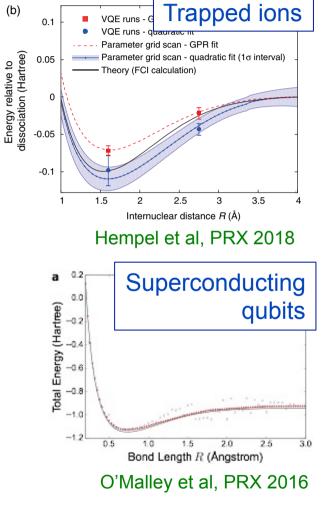
### Spin models



Balents, Nature 2010

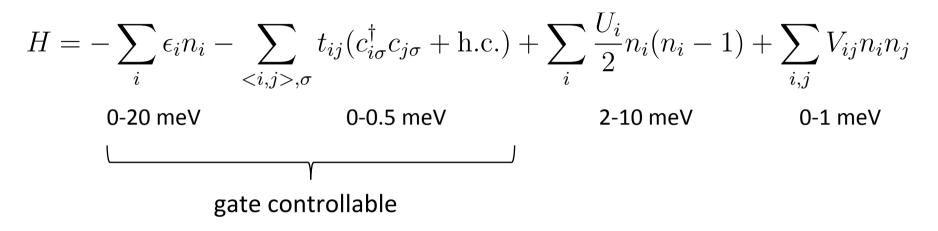
### Quantum simulation of Fermi-Hubbard and spin models – examples





Bernien et al, Nature 2017

# Real fermions in the low-temperture regime of the Fermi-Hubbard model



 $k_B T = 1-10 \mu eV$  dilution refrigerator @(10-100 mK)

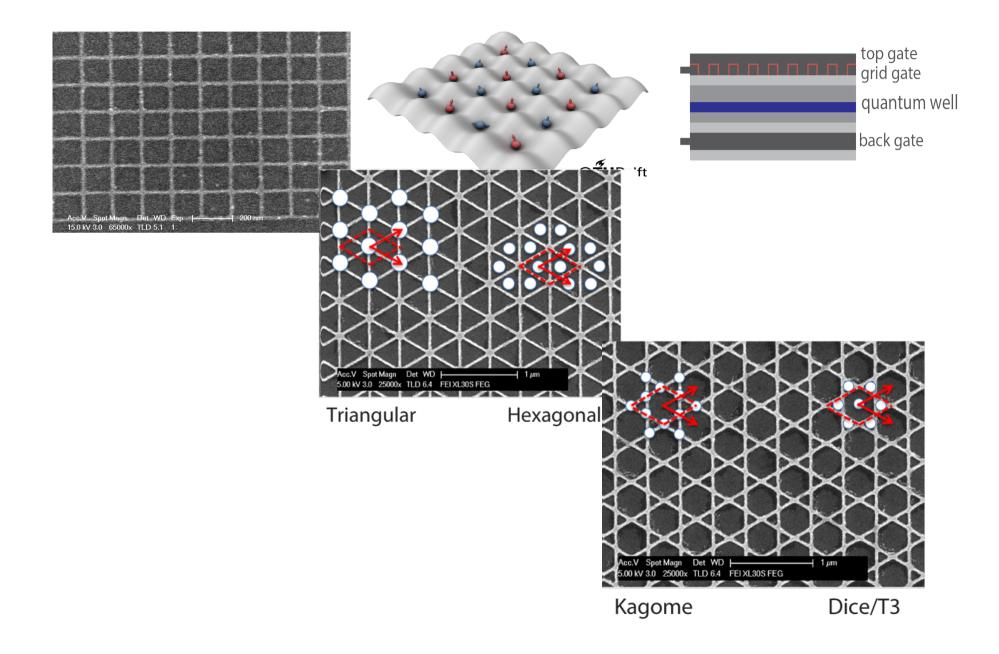
Dots can reach  $k_B T \ll t \ll U$ , with tuneable t/U and  $\mu/U$ 

Experimental reviews: Hanson et al, RMP 2007 Zwanenburg et al, RMP 2013 Proposal papers: Stafford & Das Sarma, PRL 72, 3590 (1994) Manousakis, J. Low Temp. Phys. **126**, 1501 (2002) Byrnes *et al.*, Physical Review B **78**, 075320 (2008) Yang *et al.*, Physical Review B **83**, 161301 (2011) Barthelemy *et al.*, Annalen der Physik **525**, 808 (2013)

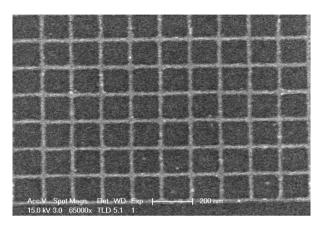
### Outline

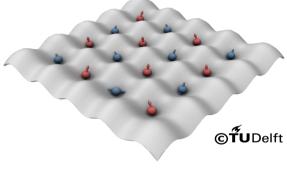
- 1) Attempt at large lattices
- 2) Collective Coulomb blockade
- 3) Nagaoka ferromagnetism
- 4) Other tools and outlook

### Large periodic lattices

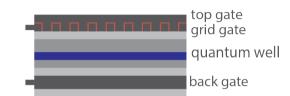


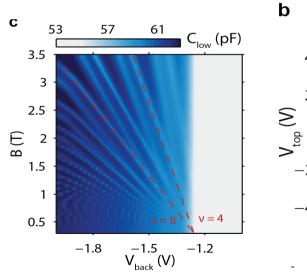
### Large periodic lattices – disorder

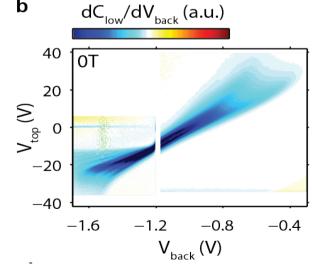




Probe: capacitance spectroscopy (density of states)



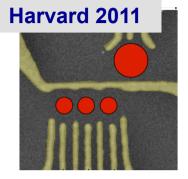


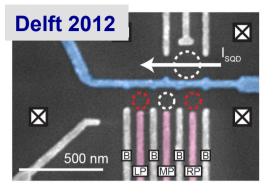


Disorder masks minibands and Mott gap

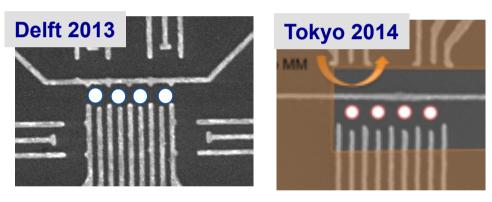
> Hensgens et al, J. Appl. Phys. 2018

### **Building lattices from the bottom-up**

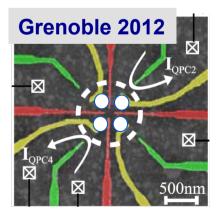




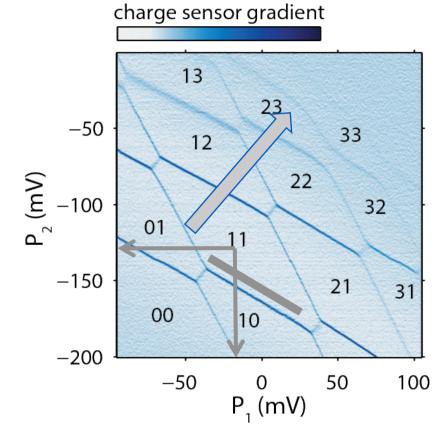
Local electrodes allow individual tunability







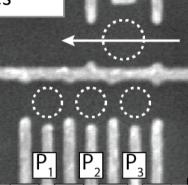
### **Detailed view of cross-talk and disorder**



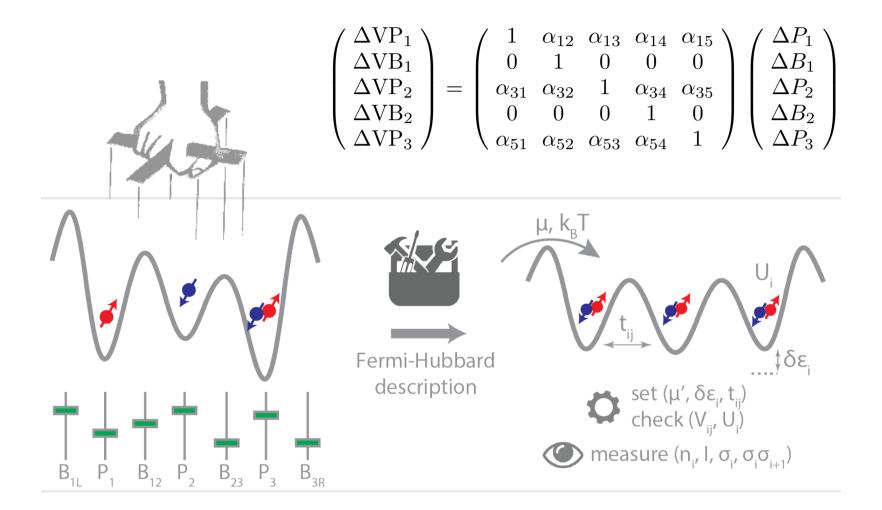
(barriers set to same tunnel rate)

#### **Observations:**

- 1. Initial disorder
- 2. Gate cross-talk
- 3. Nonlinearities

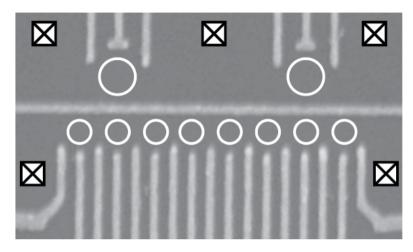


### From real gate voltages to virtual gates



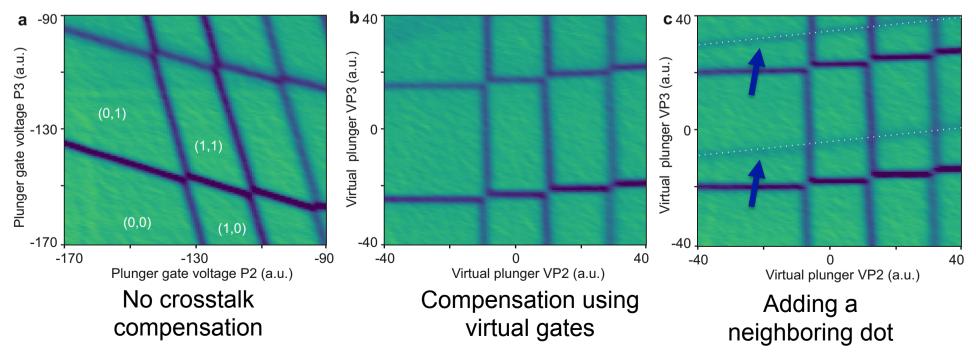
Nowack et al, Science 2011 Hensgens et al, Nature 2017

## Efficient formation and loading of quantum dot arrays



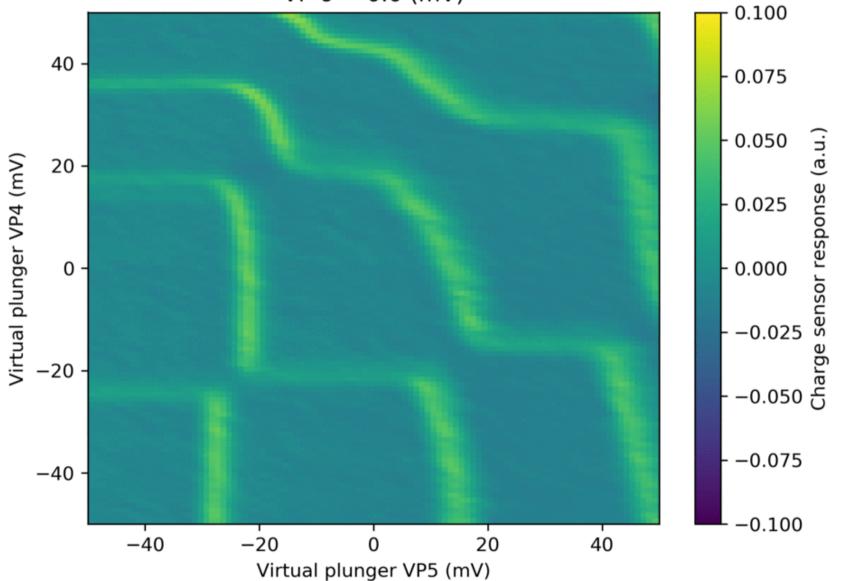
C. Volk, A-M. Zwerver et al, arXiv:1901.00426

Central idea: Add dots while preserving existing dots

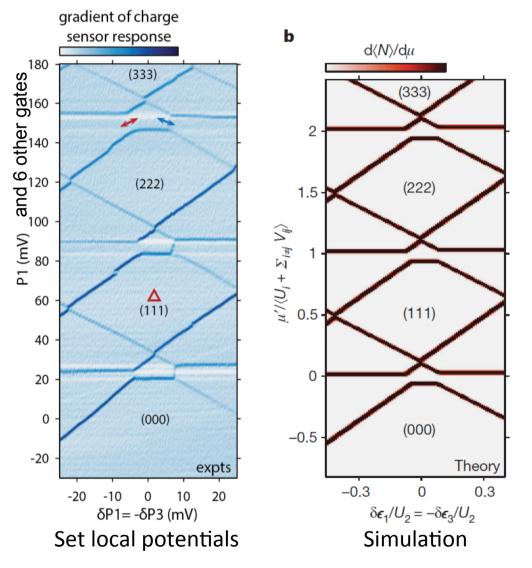


### **Real-time tuning of dot arrays**

VP 6 = 0.0 (mV)



## **Hamiltonian engineering**



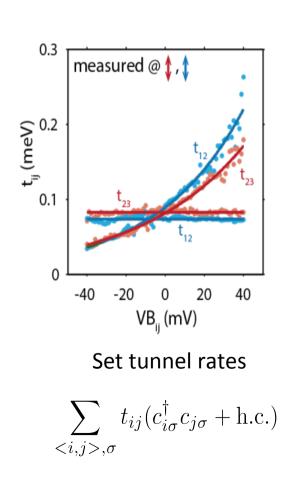
 $H = -\sum \epsilon_i n_i$ 

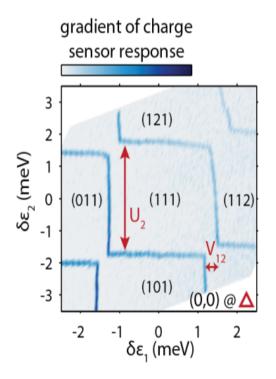
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# Hamiltonian engineering

Dialing in individual terms or combined terms

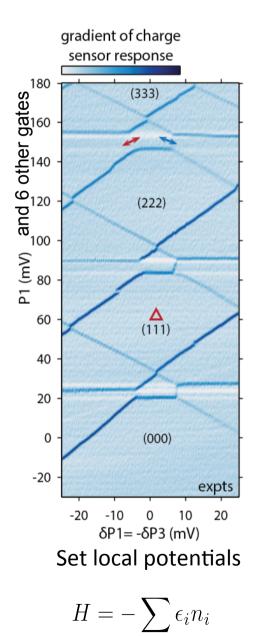
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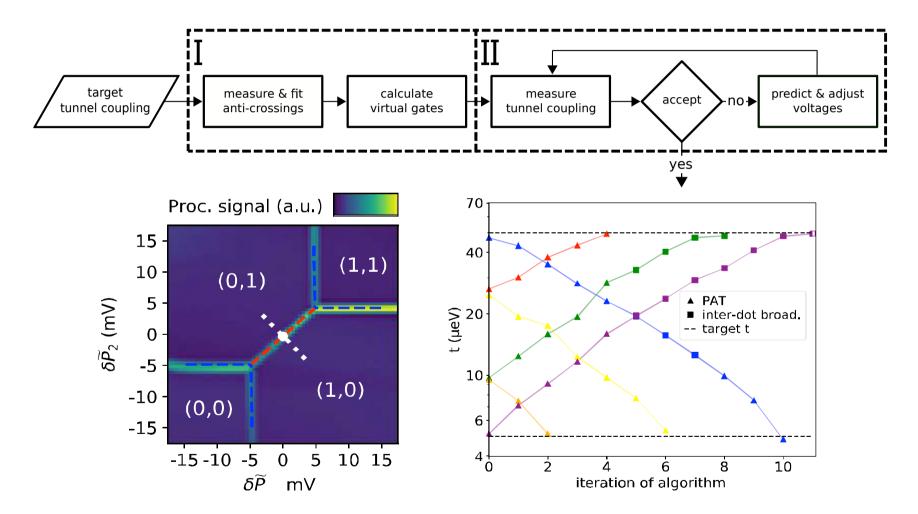
Determine interaction energies





### **Automating Hamiltonian engineering**

### Example: setting interdot tunnel coupling



van Diepen et al. APL 2018

### **First proof-of-principle experiment**

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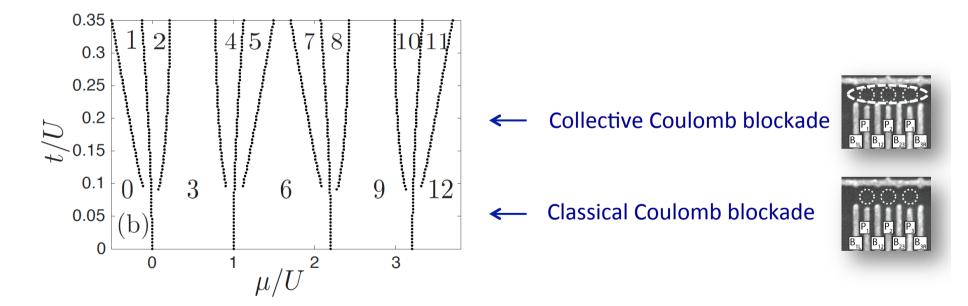
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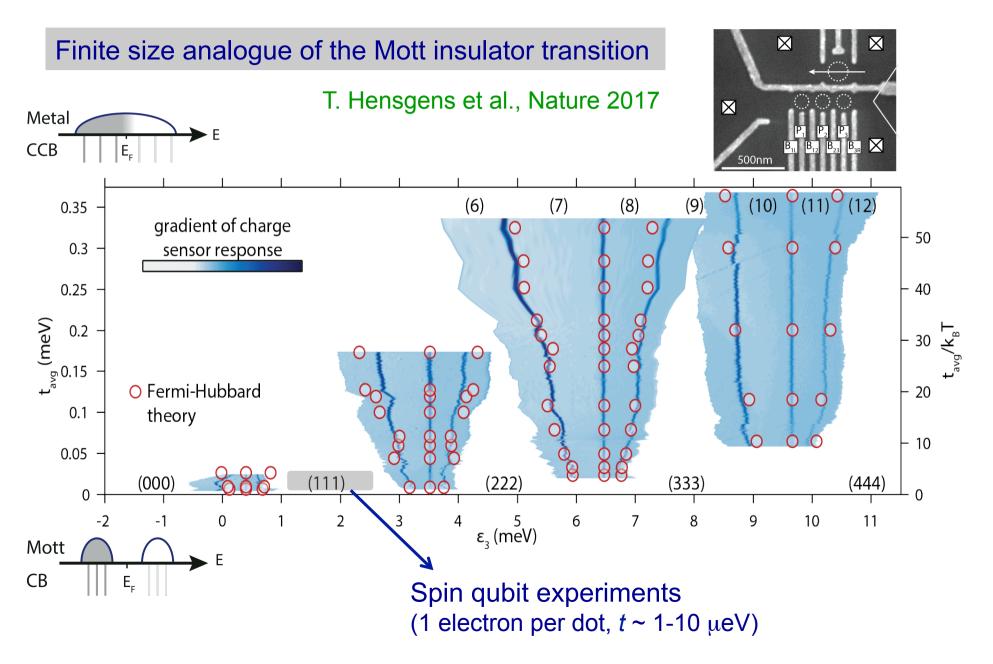
#### Collective Coulomb Blockade in an Array of Quantum Dots: A Mott-Hubbard Approach

C. A. Stafford and S. Das Sarma

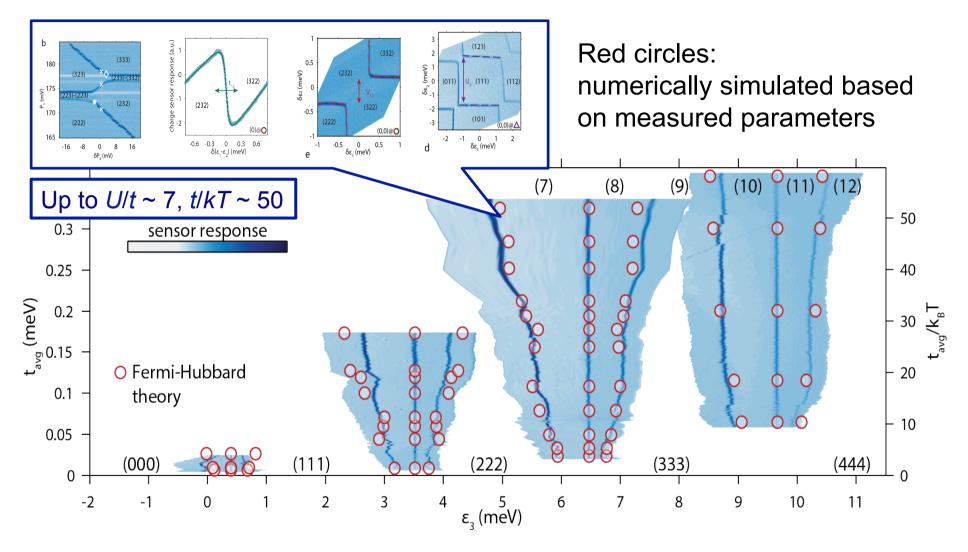
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### **Collective Coulomb blockade transition**



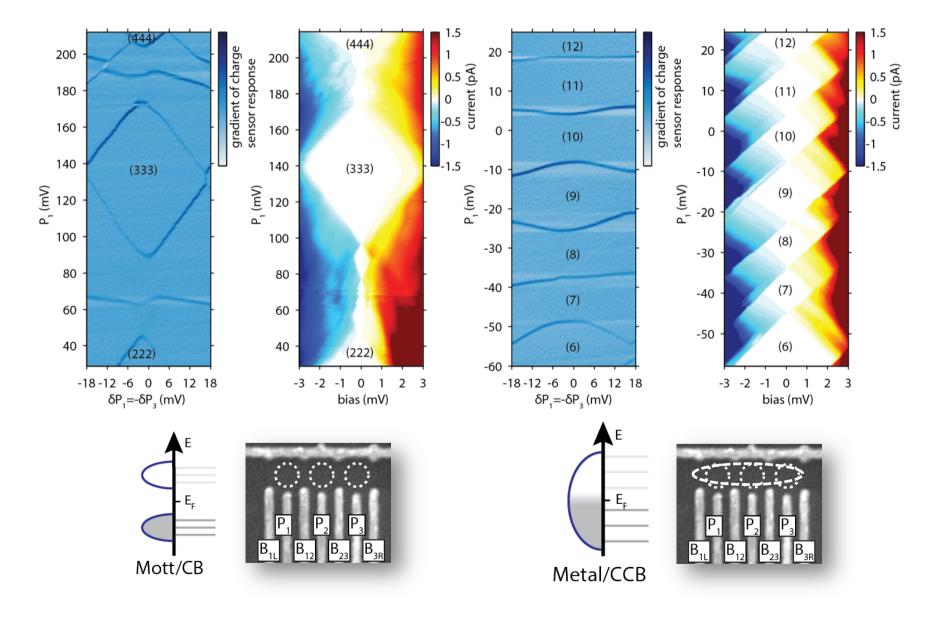
### **Collective Coulomb blockade transition**



Simulations: Xiao Li and S. Das Sarma

T. Hensgens et al., Nature 2017

# Probing the (collective) Coulomb blockade gap via non-equilibrium transport



### Nagaoka Ferromagnetism

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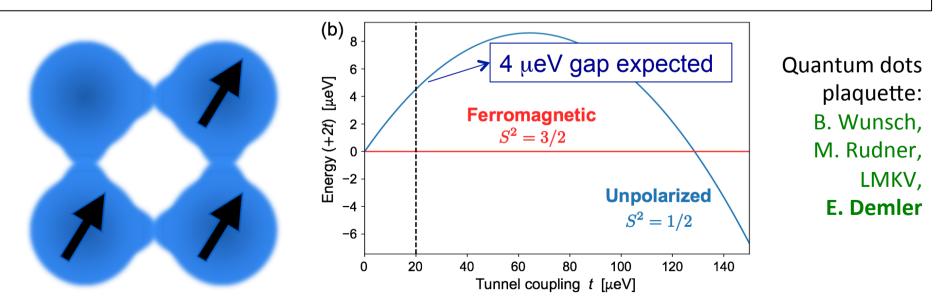
#### Ferromagnetism in a Narrow, Almost Half-Filled s Band\*

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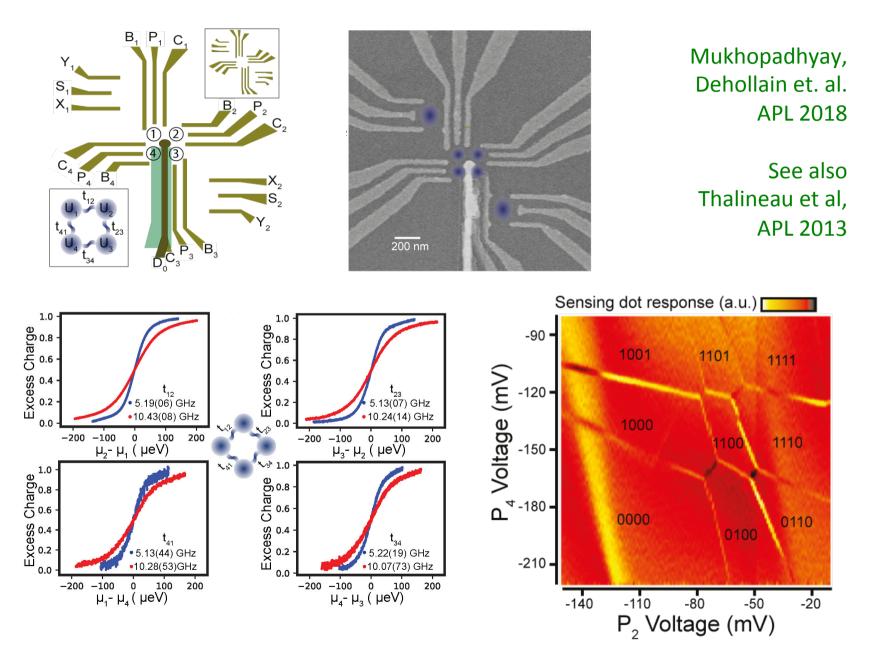
Department of Physics, University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, California (Received 17 January 1966)

#### EIGENVALUES AND MAGNETISM OF ELECTRONS ON AN ARTIFICIAL MOLECULE

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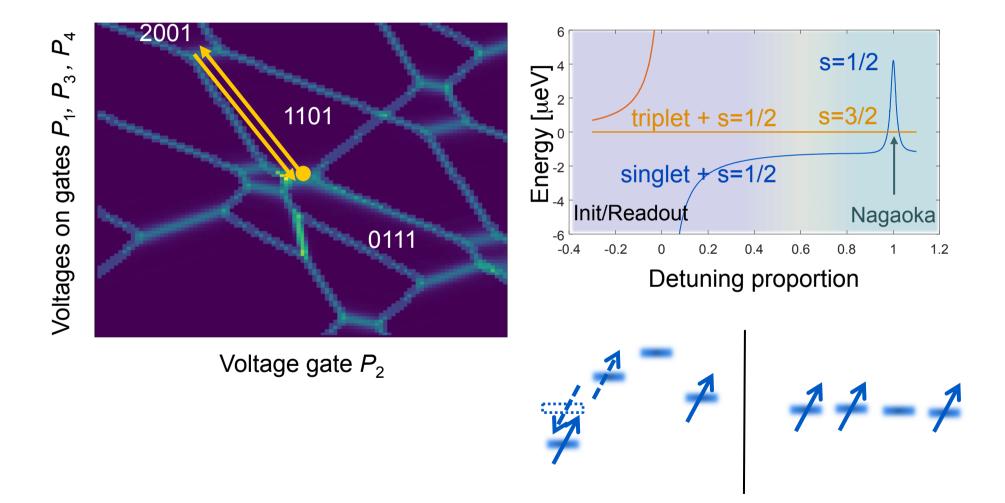


### **Quantum dot plaquette**



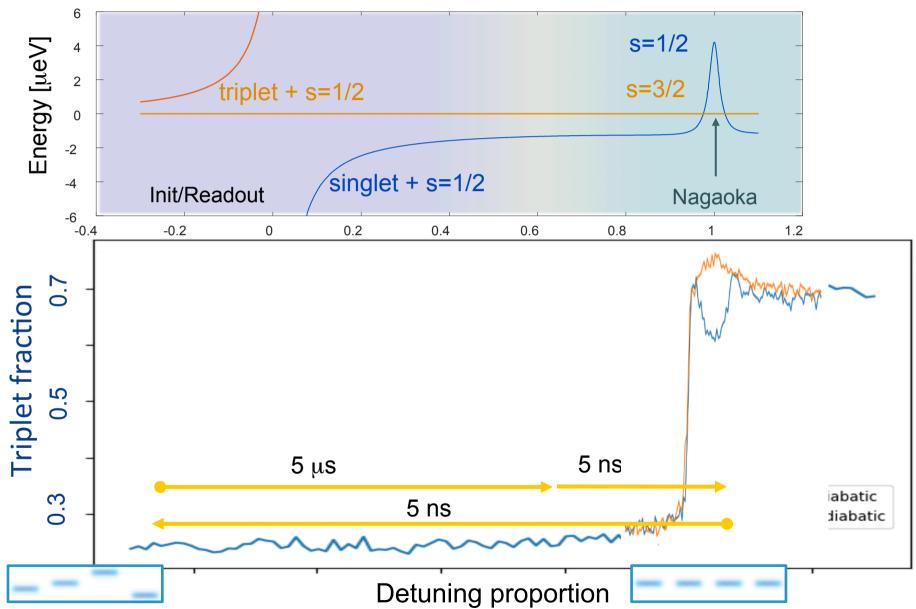
# **Experimental procedure**

Dehollain, Mukhopadhyay, et. al., unpublished

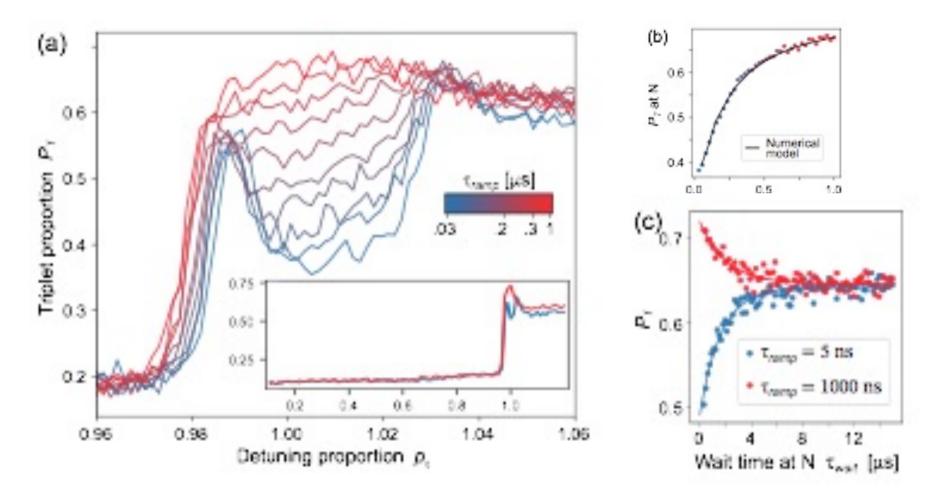


### **Protocol and main observation**

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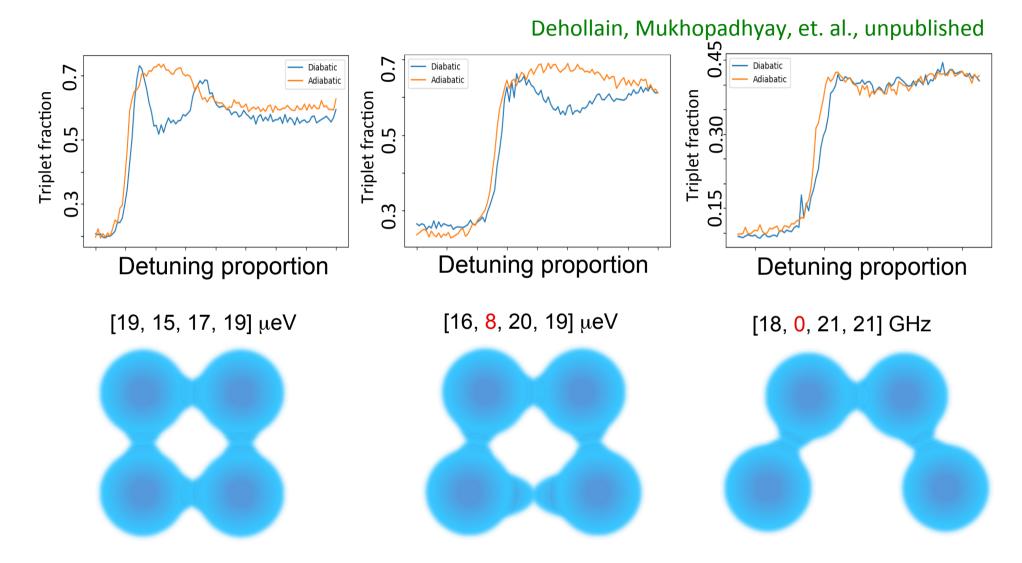


### Adiabatic to diabatic transition, and equilibration



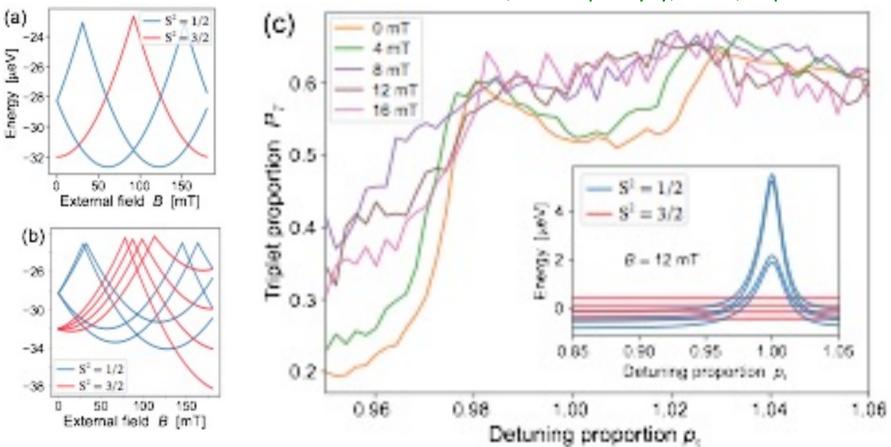
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## **Test 1: Change topology**



Magnetic GS disappears for a linear chain (consistent with Lieb-Mattis)

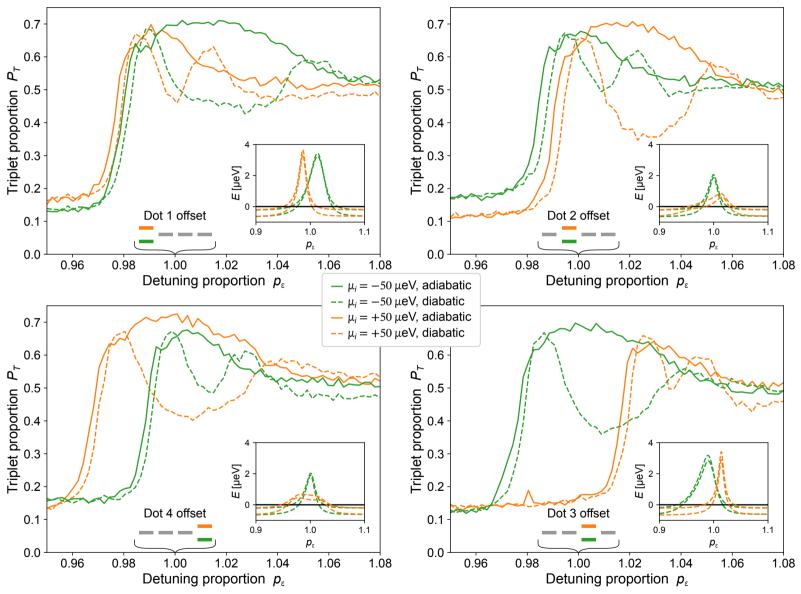
# Test 2: Introduce Aharonov-Bohm phase (*B*-field)



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Weak B-field destroys magnetization

# **Test 3: Offset local potentials**



Magnetic ground state survives potential offsets exceeding hopping

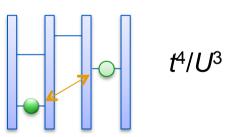
### What can we do in the time domain?

- Time dynamics
- Quenches
- Variational quantum eigensolvers
- Digital quantum simulation
- ...

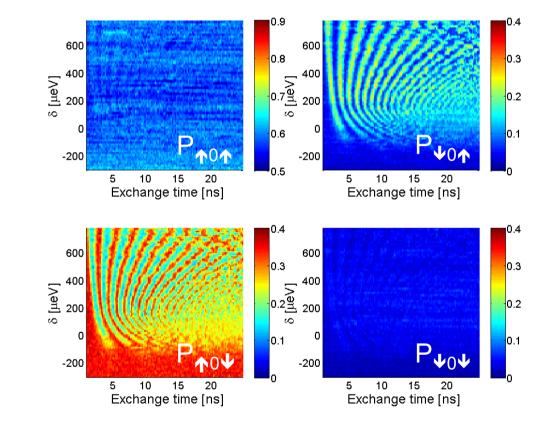
## Coherent superexchange between "distant" spins

Short range exchange (nearest neighbours)

Long range exchange (next-nearest neighbours)

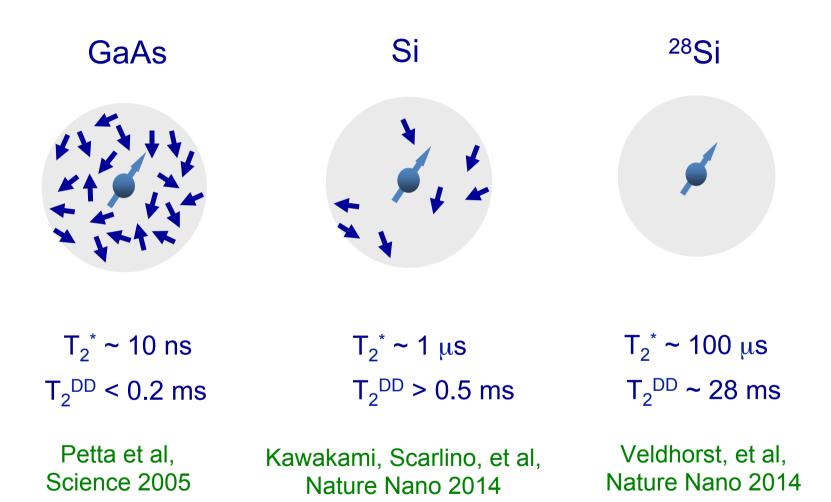


Baart, Fujita, et al, Nature Nano 2016



Spin coupling at a distance mediated by virtually occupied intermediate level

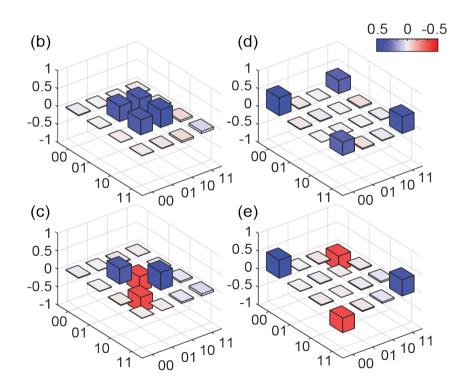
### Materials impact on coherence time



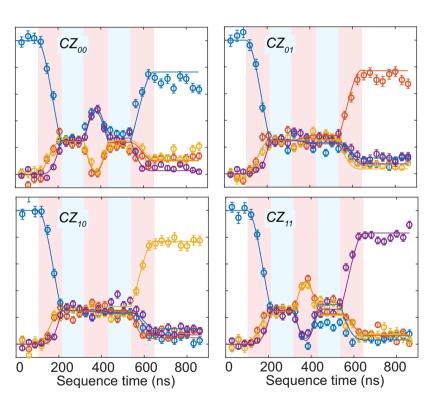
### A programmable two-qubit Si/SiGe device

Watson et al., Nature 2018

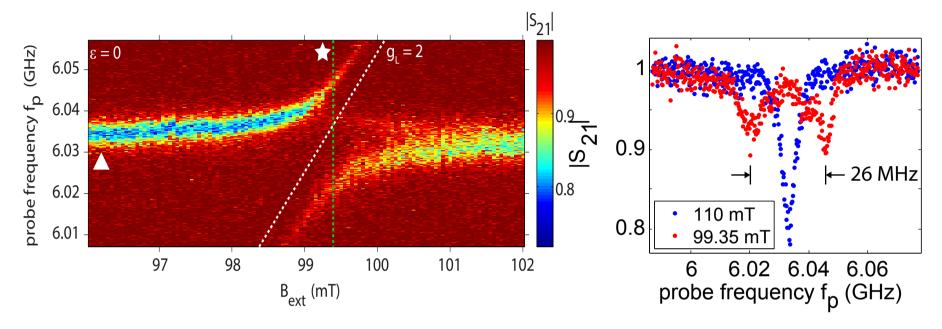
Bell state fidelity: 85-89% Concurrence: 73-80% Implemented all instances of the Deutsch-Jozsa and Grover algorithms

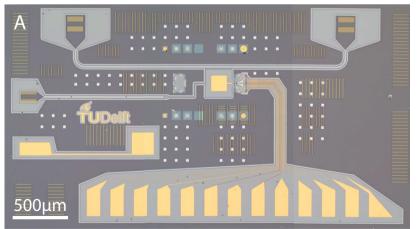


See also Zajac et al, Science 2018 Huang et al, arXiv:1805.05027



## **Strong spin-photon coupling**





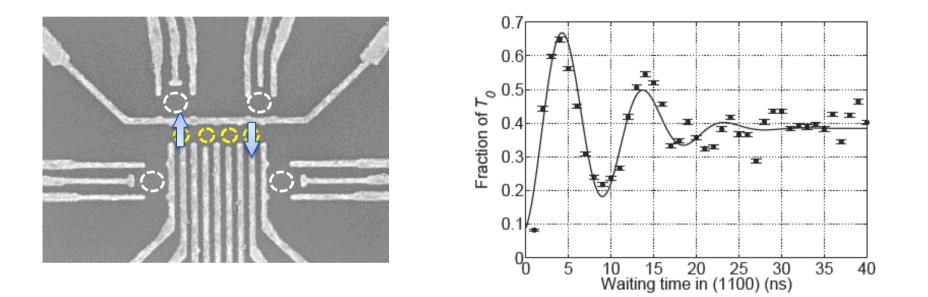
Samkharadze, Zheng, et al., Science 2018

Materials: Scappucci, Theory: A. Blais

See also: X. Mi *et al.*, Nature 2018 Landig, Koski, *et al.*, Nature 2018

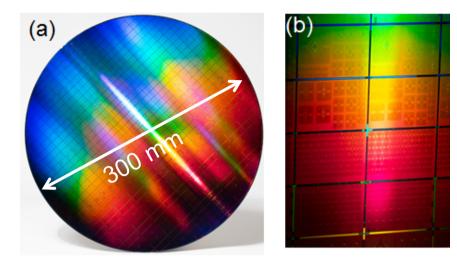
### **Coherent electron spin shuttling**

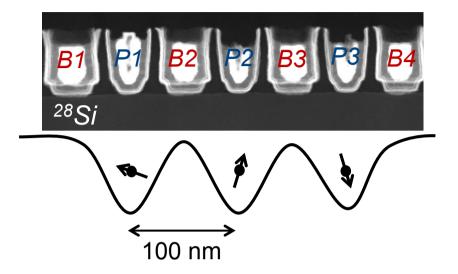
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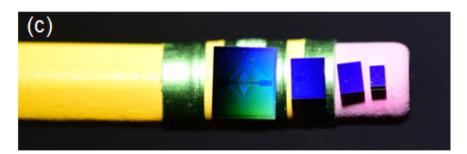
### Protocol: separate spin singlet and try to bring back together

### Si quantum dots made in Intel 300mm cleanroom



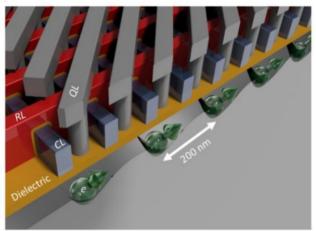


#### Future: Crossbar architecture



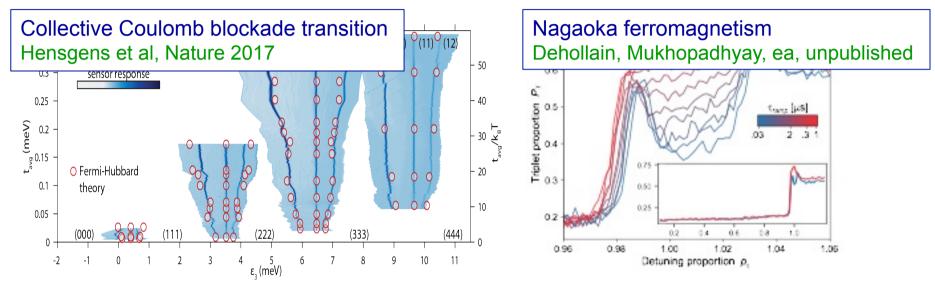






Li et al. Sci. Adv. (2018)

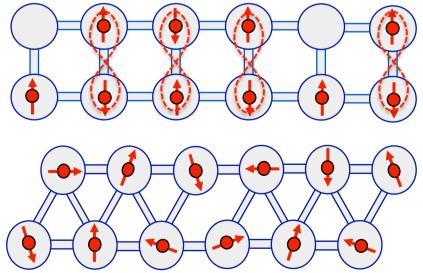
# Summary and outlook on analog quantum simulation



# Opening up a new platform for simulation

- Fermi-Hubbard physics
- Quantum magnetism
- Many-body localization?
- Topological states

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