



# Cooling Using the Stark Shift Gate



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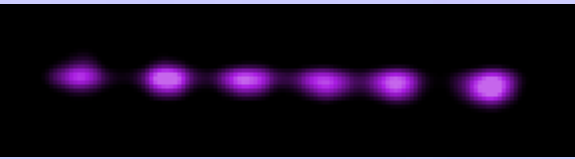
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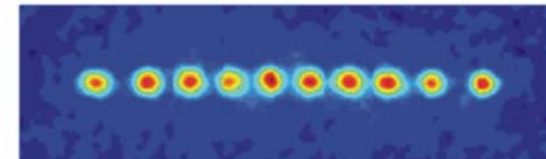
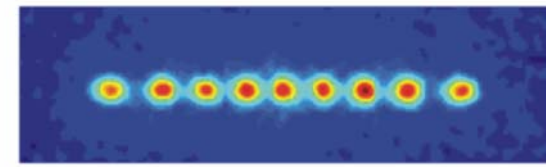
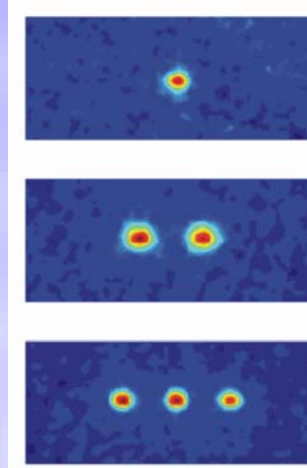
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# Cold ion crystals

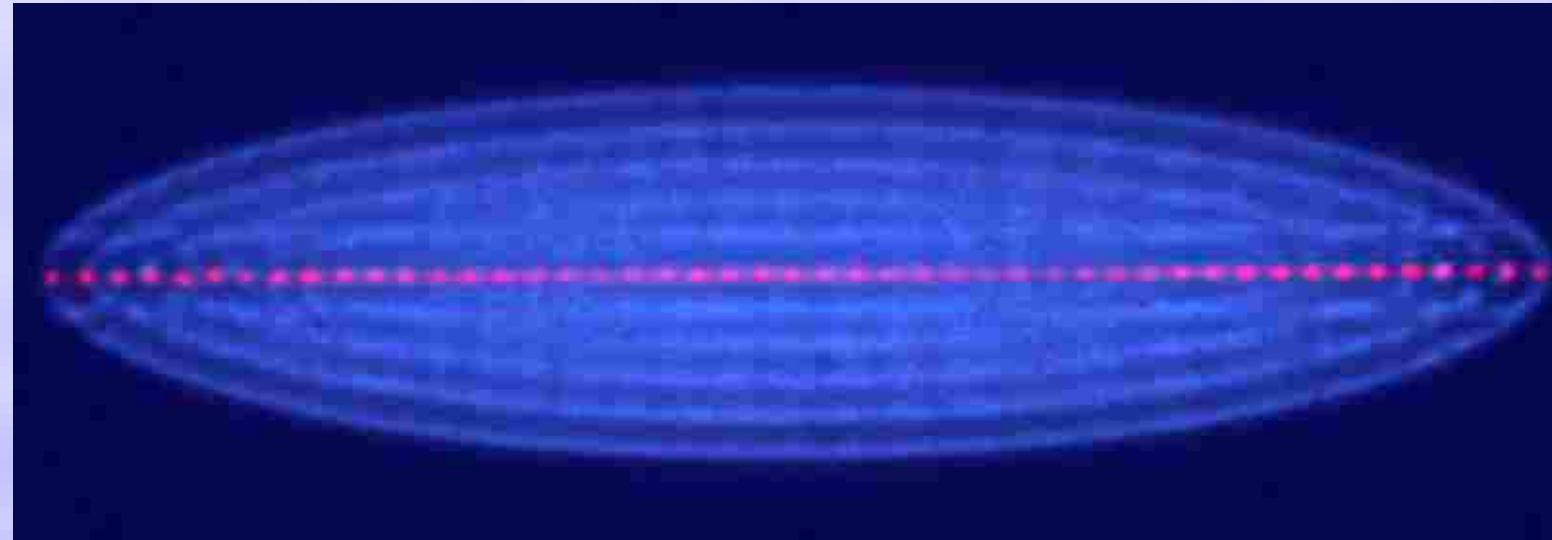
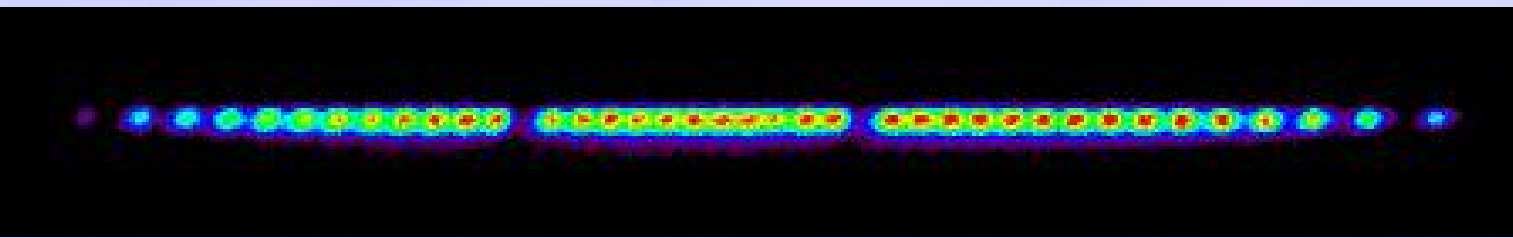


Oxford, England:  $^{40}\text{Ca}^+$



Innsbruck, Austria:  $^{40}\text{Ca}^+$

Boulder, USA:  $\text{Hg}^+$  (mercury)

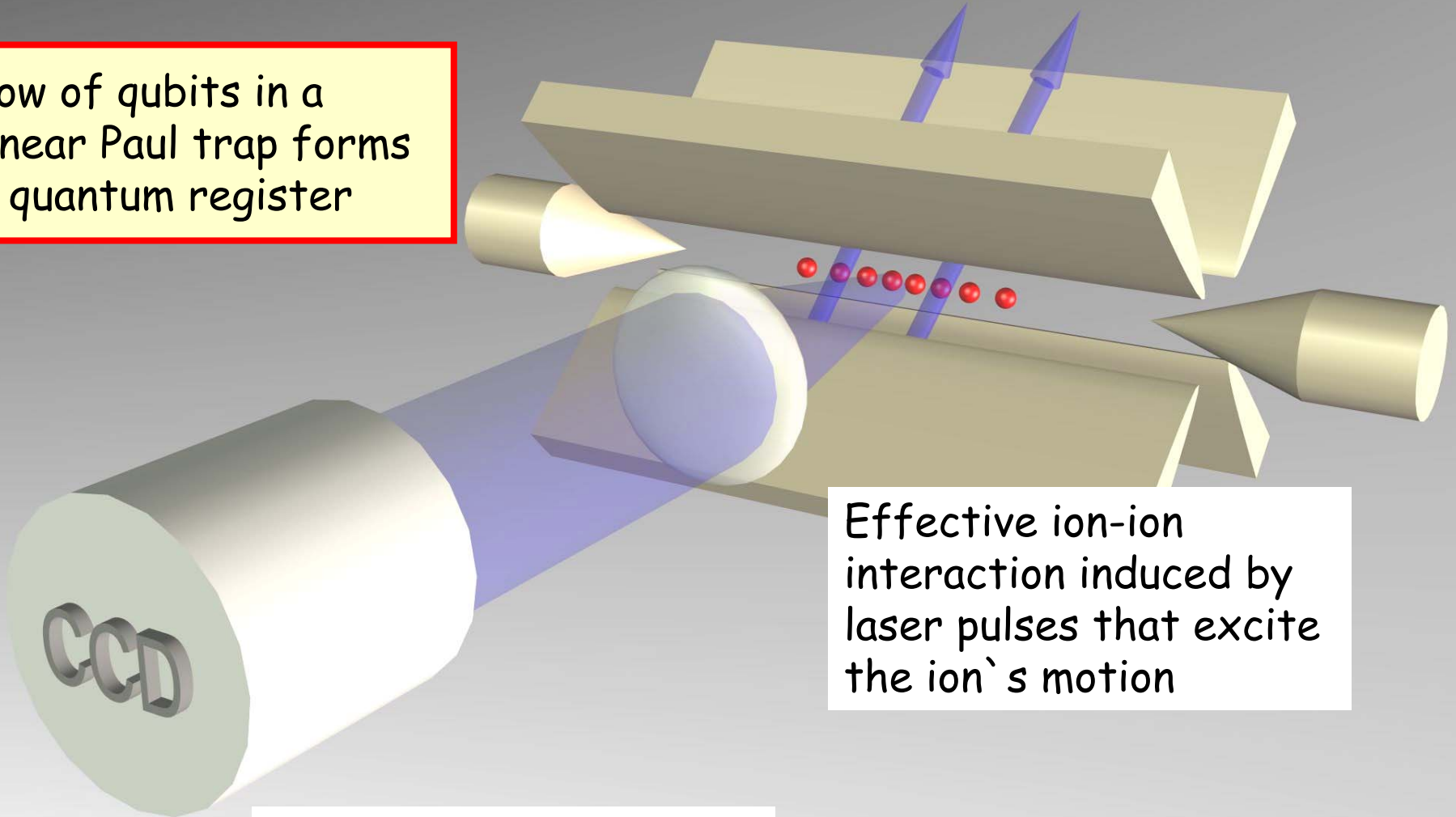


Aarhus, Denmark:  $^{40}\text{Ca}^+$  (red) and  $^{24}\text{Mg}^+$  (blue)

# Ion Trap Quantum Processor

Laser pulses manipulate individual ions

row of qubits in a linear Paul trap forms a quantum register



Effective ion-ion interaction induced by laser pulses that excite the ion's motion

A CCD camera reads out the ion's quantum state

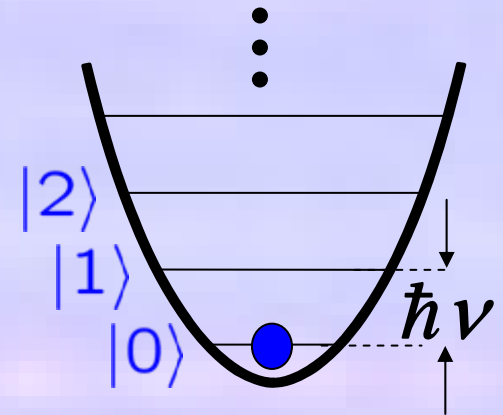
# Orders of Magnitude

Physical size of the ground state:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \nu = (2\pi) \text{ 1MHz} \\ m = 40u \end{array} \right\} \langle x^2 \rangle^{1/2} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\nu}} \approx \mathbf{11nm}$$

Size of the wave packet  $\ll$  wavelength of visible light

harmonic trap



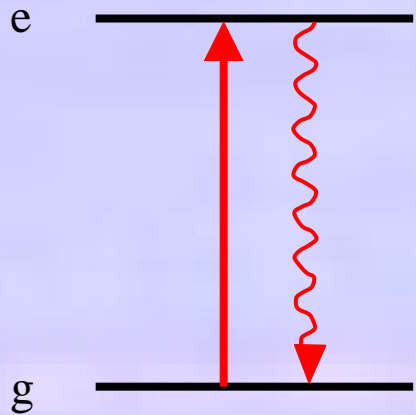
Energy scale of interest:

$$\hbar\nu = k_B T \longrightarrow T = \frac{\hbar\nu}{k_B} \approx \mathbf{50\mu K}$$

Separation between ions:

$$d \approx \mathbf{5\mu m}$$

# Detection of Ions



Lifetime of excited state:

$$\tau \approx 10ns$$

Maximum photon scattering rate:

$$r = \frac{1}{2\tau} \approx 50MHz$$

$$\eta \approx 10^{-3}$$

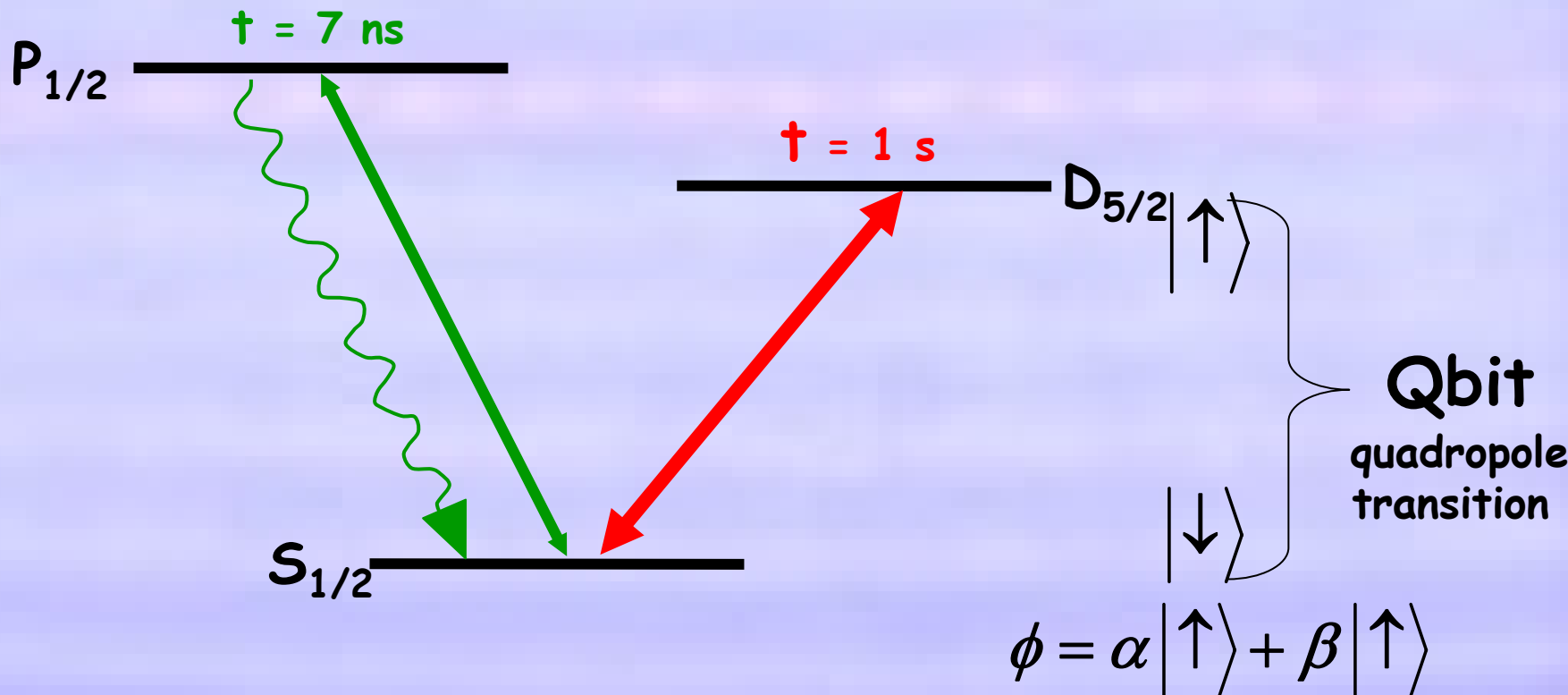
Rate of detected photons:

$$R = \eta r \approx 50kHz$$

→ 50 photons per ms

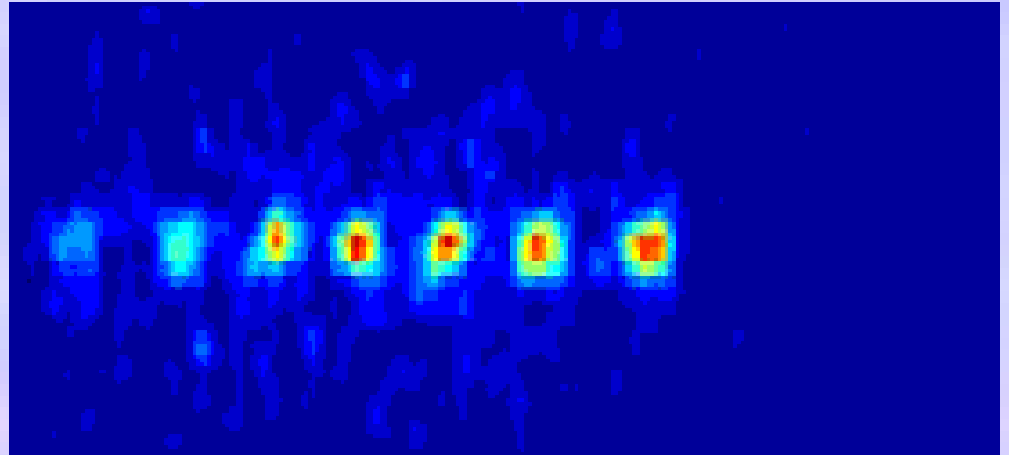
Detection within 1 ms feasible provided that the background scattering rate is low.

# $^{40}\text{Ca}^+$ : Important energy levels

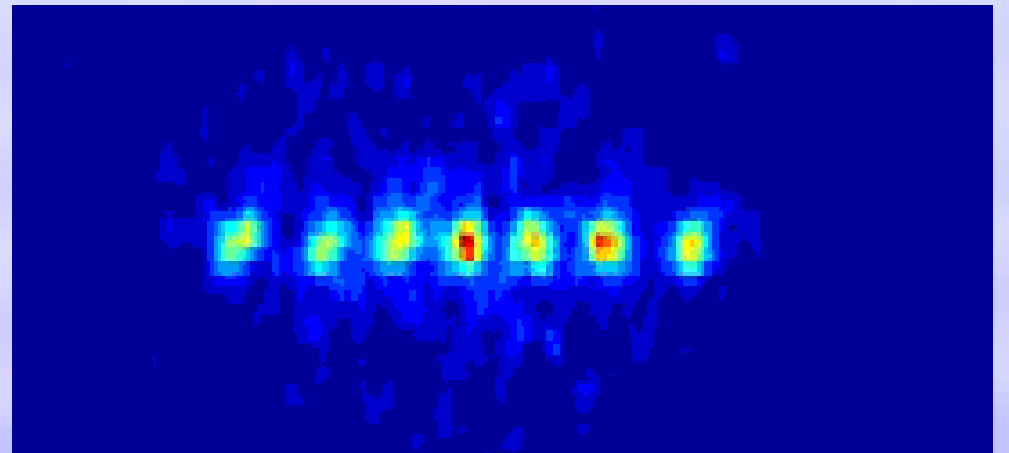


# Center-of-mass and breathing mode excitation

„center-of-mass mode“



„stretch mode“



Courtesy of R. Blatt



# Laser - Ion Interactions

Hamiltonian:  $H = H^{(Internal)} + H^{(External)} + H^{(Interaction)}$

$$H^{(Internal)} = \hbar \frac{\omega_0}{2} (|e\rangle\langle e| - |g\rangle\langle g|)$$

$$H^{(External)} = \sum_i \hbar \nu_i a_i^\dagger a_i$$

mode frequencies

$$H^{(Interaction)} = \hbar \Omega (|g\rangle\langle e| + |e\rangle\langle g|) \cos(k\hat{x} - \omega t + \phi)$$

Rabi frequency

Laser frequency

# Laser - Ion Interactions

$$H_{\text{int}} = \frac{\hbar\Omega}{2} \sigma_+ \exp \left\{ i\eta \left( e^{-i\nu t} a + e^{i\nu t} a^\dagger \right) \right\} e^{-i\delta t + i\phi} + h.c.$$

Lamb-Dicke parameter

$$\eta = kx_0 = k \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\nu}}$$

relates size of ground state  
to wave length of light

In ion trap experiments,

usually  $\eta \ll 1$

$$\delta = \omega - \omega_0$$

Detuning of laser with respect  
to atomic transition

# Lamb - Dicke regime

Taylor expansion of the exponential up to first order:

$$H_{\text{int}} = \frac{\hbar\Omega}{2} \sigma_+ \left\{ 1 + i\eta \left( e^{-i\nu t} a + e^{i\nu t} a^+ \right) \right\} e^{-i\delta t + i\phi} + h.c.$$

Carrier resonance:

$$\delta = 0 \quad H_{\text{int}} = \frac{\hbar\Omega}{2} \left\{ \sigma_+ e^{+i\phi} + \sigma_- e^{-i\phi} \right\} \quad |g, n\rangle \leftrightarrow |e, n\rangle$$

Red sideband:

$$\delta = -\nu \quad H_{\text{int}} = \frac{\hbar\Omega}{2} i\eta \left\{ \sigma_+ a e^{+i\phi} - \sigma_- a^+ e^{-i\phi} \right\} \quad |g, n\rangle \leftrightarrow |e, n-1\rangle$$

Blue sideband:

$$\delta = +\nu \quad H_{\text{int}} = \frac{\hbar\Omega}{2} i\eta \left\{ \sigma_+ a^+ e^{+i\phi} - \sigma_- a e^{-i\phi} \right\} \quad |g, n\rangle \leftrightarrow |e, n+1\rangle$$

# Vacuum Entanglement in an Ion Trap

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# The Stark Shift Gate

$$H = \Omega \sigma_x + \eta \Omega \sigma_y (a e^{-i\nu t} + a^\dagger e^{i\nu t})$$

In the Frame  
Rotating with

$$H = i\eta\Omega \begin{bmatrix} e^{i(2\Omega-\nu)t} \sigma_+ a - e^{-i(2\Omega-\nu)t} \sigma_- a^\dagger \\ e^{i(2\Omega+\nu)t} \sigma_+ a^\dagger - e^{-i(2\Omega+\nu)t} \sigma_- a \end{bmatrix}$$

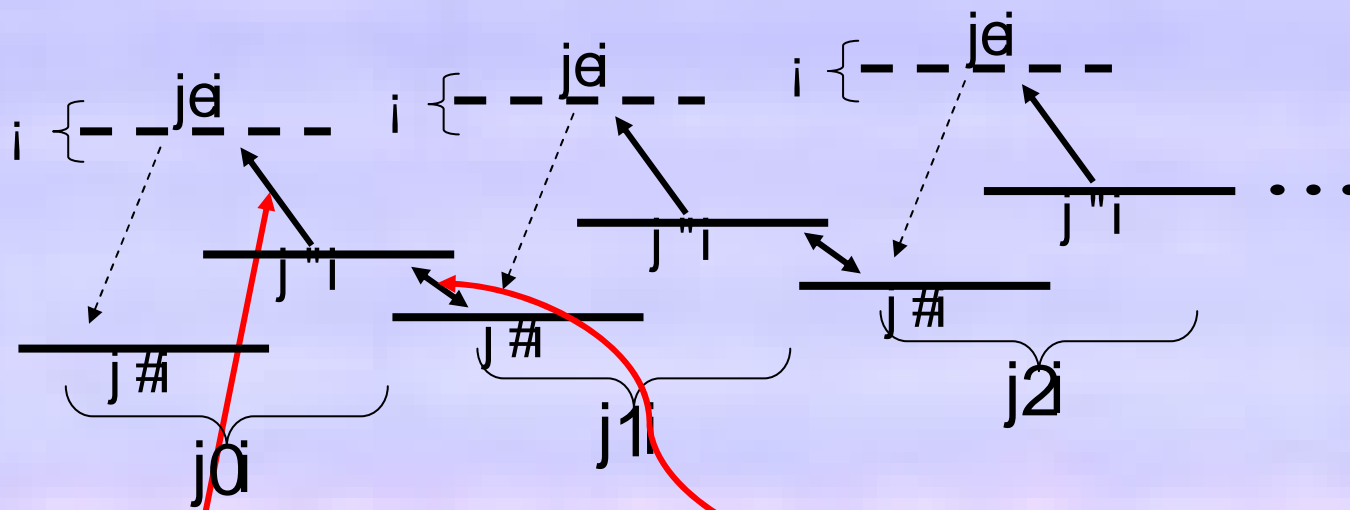
For:  $\Omega = \frac{\nu}{2}$  in RWA

$$H_{ss} = \frac{i\eta\nu}{2} \left[ \sigma_+ a - \sigma_- a^\dagger \right]$$

$$|-\rangle|n\rangle \leftrightarrow |+\rangle|n-1\rangle$$

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# Regular Side Band Cooling



Coupling to a  
dissipative Level

Cooling Laser:  $\Omega \approx \nu$   
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Final Population  
and Final Rate:

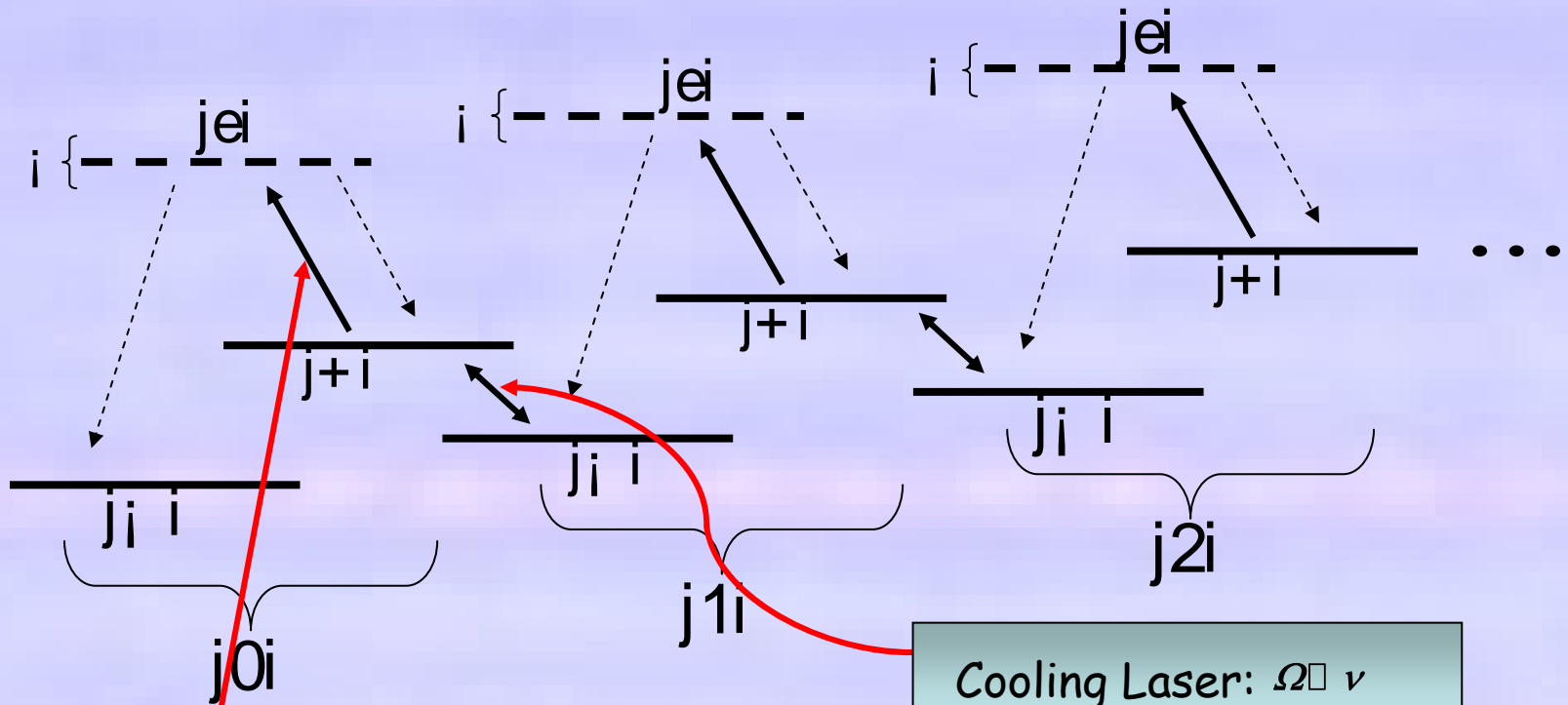
$$\langle n \rangle = \left( \frac{\Gamma}{\nu} \right)^2 \left( \alpha + \frac{1}{4} \right), \quad W < \eta^2 \Gamma$$

Winleand et. Al. PRL  
40 - Two Level Side  
band cooling

Monroe et. Al. PRL  
75 - Raman Side  
band cooling

Vuletic et. Al. PRL  
81 - Side band  
cooling for Atoms

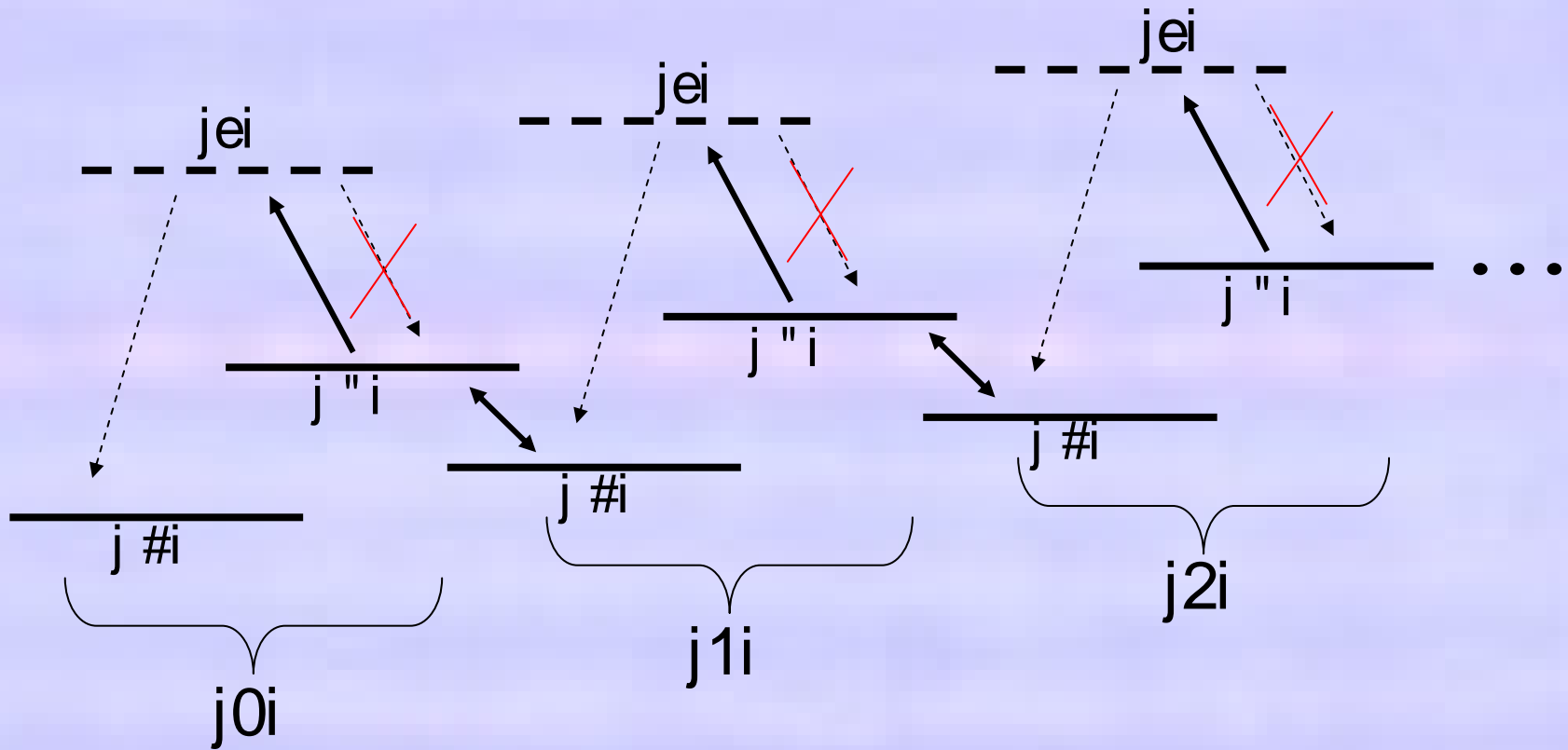
# Stark Shift Cooling



Cooling Laser:  $\Omega \ll \nu$   
 $j_i \rightarrow j_{i+1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow j_1 \rightarrow j_0$

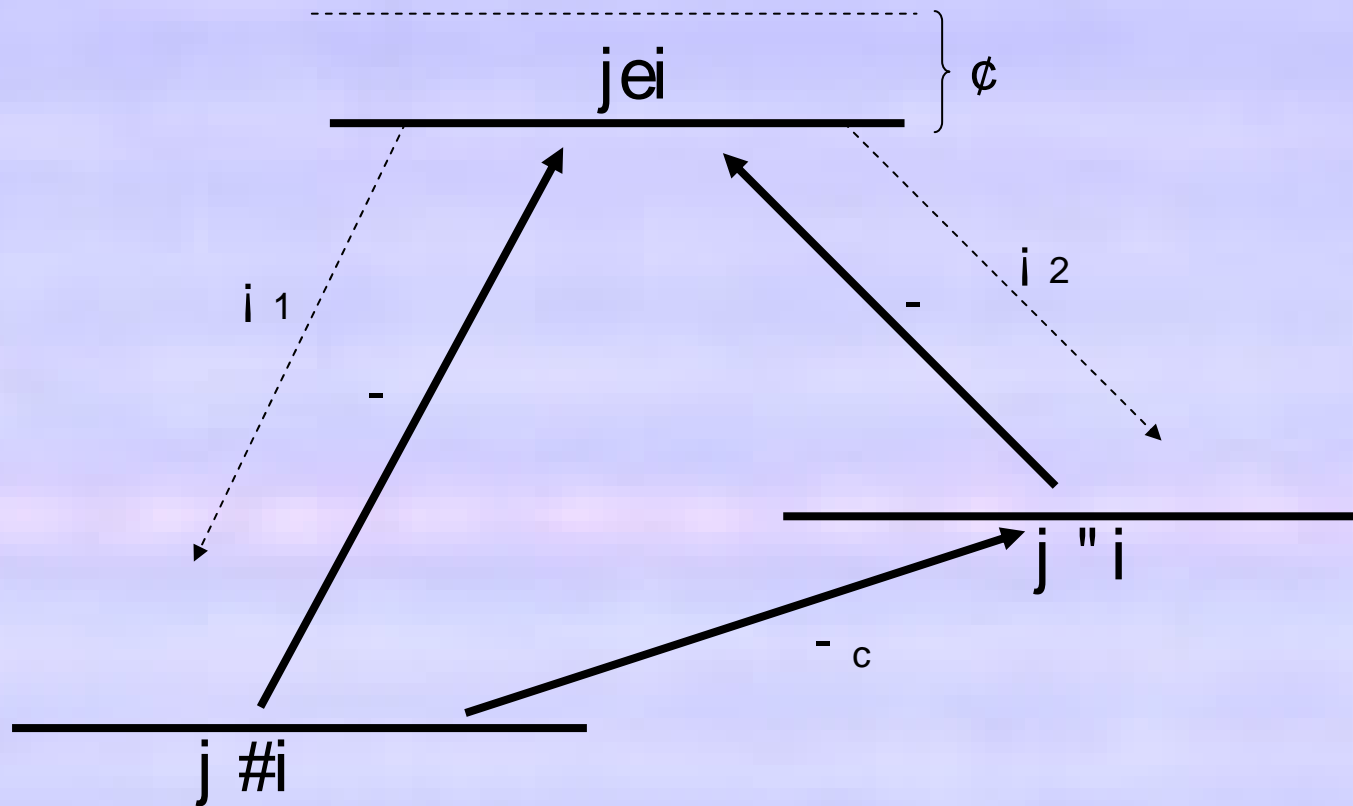
Coupling to a  
dissipative Level

# Stark Shift Cooling - Pulsed





# The Hamiltonian



$$H = \sum_{j \neq i} \hbar \omega_{j,i} a_j^\dagger a_i + \sum_{j \neq i} \hbar \omega_{i,j} a_i^\dagger a_j + \sum_{j, i} \hbar \omega_{j, e} a_j^\dagger a_e + \sum_{j, i} \hbar \omega_{e, j} a_e^\dagger a_j + \sum_{j, i} \hbar \omega_{j, c} a_j^\dagger a_c + \sum_{j, i} \hbar \omega_{c, j} a_c^\dagger a_j$$

$$H = \sum_{j \neq i} \hbar \omega_{j,i} a_j^\dagger a_i e^{i(k_c x_i - \omega_{j,i} t)} + \text{h.c.} + \sum_{j \neq i} \hbar \omega_{i,j} a_i^\dagger a_j e^{i(k_c x_i - \omega_{i,j} t)} + \text{h.c.} + \sum_{j, i} \hbar \omega_{j, e} a_j^\dagger a_e e^{i(k_c x_i - \omega_{j, e} t)} + \text{h.c.} + \sum_{j, i} \hbar \omega_{e, j} a_e^\dagger a_j e^{i(k_c x_i - \omega_{e, j} t)} + \text{h.c.} + \sum_{j, i} \hbar \omega_{j, c} a_j^\dagger a_c e^{i(k_c x_i - \omega_{j, c} t)} + \text{h.c.} + \sum_{j, i} \hbar \omega_{c, j} a_c^\dagger a_j e^{i(k_c x_i - \omega_{c, j} t)} + \text{h.c.}$$

# The Master Equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho = L\rho = \frac{1}{i} [H, \rho] + \frac{\Gamma}{2} \tilde{L}\rho$$

$$H_0 = \begin{pmatrix} \omega_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \omega_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \omega_3 \end{pmatrix} + \nu a^\dagger a$$

$$H_{int} = \underbrace{\Omega(P_{13}e^{-i\omega_{13}t}) + \Omega(P_{23}e^{-i\omega_{23}t})}_{\text{EIT Lasers}} + \underbrace{\Omega_c(P_{12}e^{i(k_{12}x - \omega_{12}t)})}_{\text{Cooling Laser}}$$

EIT Lasers

Cooling Laser

Relaxation part

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\rho}|_{rel} = & -(\Gamma_{13} + \Gamma_{23}) P_{33} \rho P_{33} \\ & + \Gamma_{13} \int \frac{d\Omega(q_{13})}{4\pi} \phi(q_{13}) e^{iq_{13}x} P_{13} \rho P_{31} e^{-iq_{13}x} \\ & + \Gamma_{23} \int \frac{d\Omega(q_{23})}{4\pi} \phi(q_{23}) e^{iq_{23}x} P_{23} \rho P_{32} e^{-iq_{23}x} \\ & - \frac{\Gamma_{13} + \Gamma_{23}}{2} (P_{33} \rho P_{11} + P_{11} \rho P_{22} + P_{33} \rho P_{22} + P_{22} \rho P_{33}) \end{aligned}$$

$$P_{ij} = |i\rangle\langle j|$$

# The Master Equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho = L\rho = \frac{1}{i} [H, \rho] + \frac{\Gamma}{2} \tilde{L}\rho$$

Steady State Solution:  $\frac{1}{i} [H, \rho] + \frac{\Gamma}{2} \tilde{L}\rho = 0$

Expansion in the Lamb Dicke Parameter:

$$L = L_0 + \eta L_1 + \eta^2 L_2 + \dots$$

$$\rho = \rho_0 + \eta \rho_1 + \eta^2 \rho_2 + \dots$$

No  
coupling

Rabi  
flipping

$$\eta^0 : L_0(\rho_0) = 0$$

$$\eta^1 : L_1(\rho_0) + L_0(\rho_1) = 0$$

$$\eta^2 : L_2(\rho_0) + L_1(\rho_1) + L_0(\rho_2) = 0$$

Second order  
rotation +  
dissipation

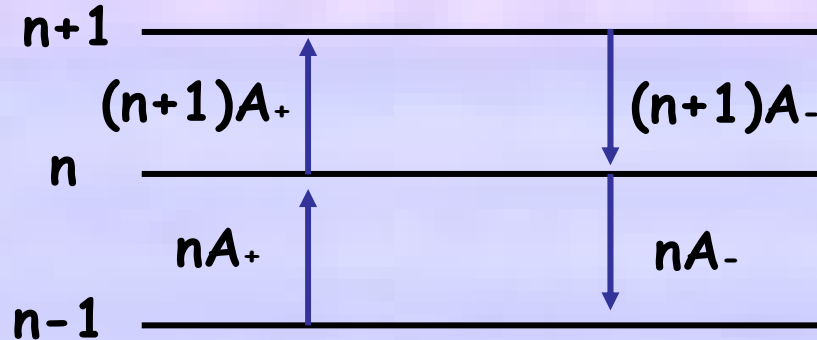
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Mixture  
of  
number  
states

# The Solution

The expansion is valid under the conditions:

$$\frac{\Gamma v}{\Omega^2} \eta, \frac{v^2}{\Omega^2} \eta, \frac{\Delta v}{\Omega^2} \eta \ll 1$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} P(n) = \eta^2 \left\{ A_- \left( (n+1)P(n+1) - nP(n) \right) + A_+ \left( nP(n-1) - (n+1)P(n) \right) \right\}$$



$$p(n) = (1 - q)q^n$$

$$q = \frac{A_+}{A_-}$$

$$A_-(v) = \frac{2\Gamma\Omega^2\Omega_c^2}{\Gamma^2(v - 2\Omega_c)^2 + \left(2\Omega^2 + (v - 2\Omega_c)(\Delta - v\Omega_c)\right)^2}$$

$$A_+ = A_-(-v)$$

# Final Temperature and Rate

$$\langle n \rangle = \frac{A_+}{A_- - A_+}$$

$$W = \eta^2 (A_- - A_+)$$

The Optimal Point:

$$W \approx \eta \Omega$$

This point is achieved for the validity conditions:

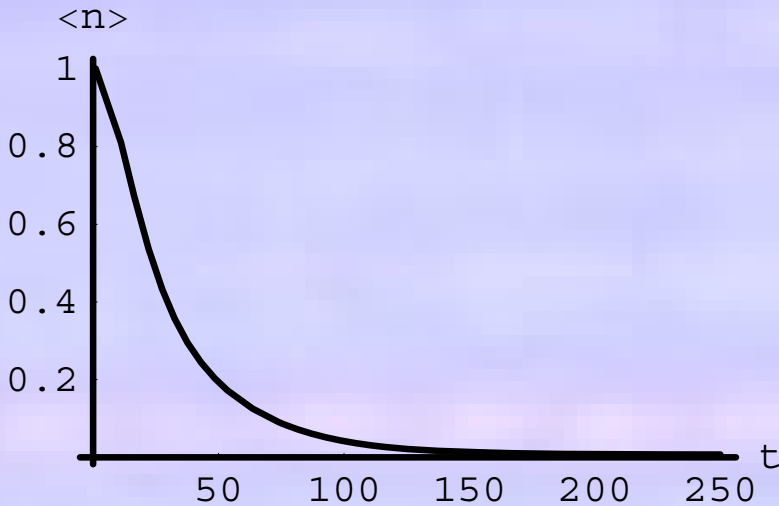
$$\frac{\Gamma v}{\Omega^2} \eta, \frac{v^2}{\Omega^2} \eta, \frac{\Delta v}{\Omega^2} \eta \approx 1$$

The rate at this point:

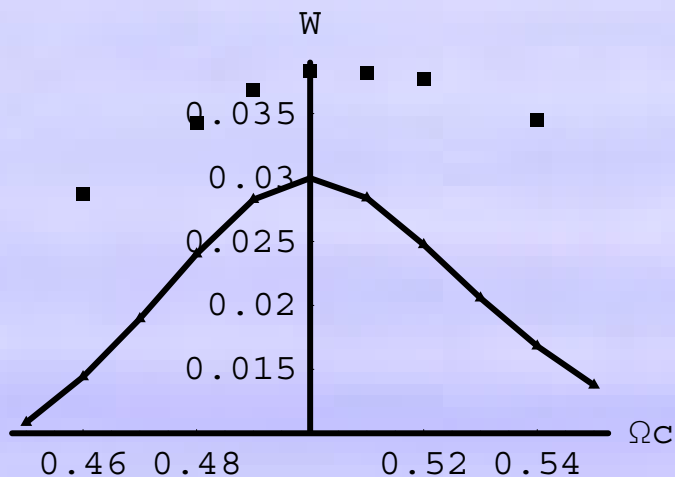
$$\frac{1}{8} \eta \Omega_c$$

Gate period:  $\frac{2\pi}{\eta \Omega_c}$

# Numerical Results - Rate



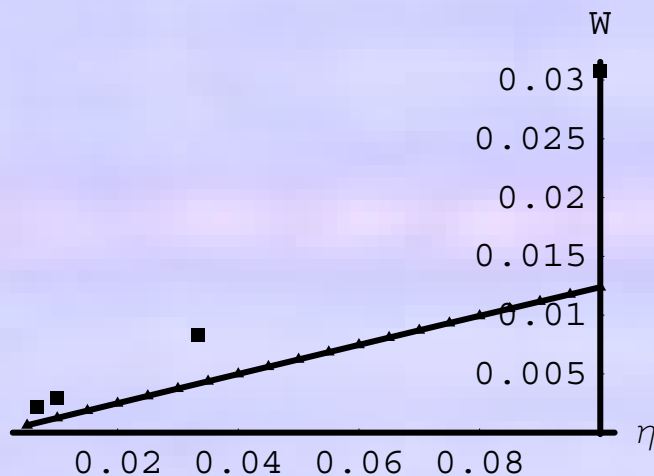
Solution of the Master Equation - Cooling of One Phonon



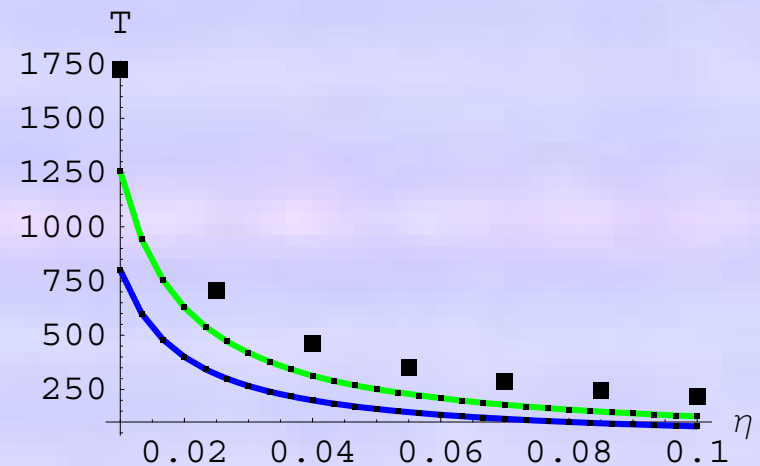
The rate as a function of the Rabi Frequency, Comparison to Numerical Results

# The Rate at the Optimal Point

$$W \approx \eta \Omega$$



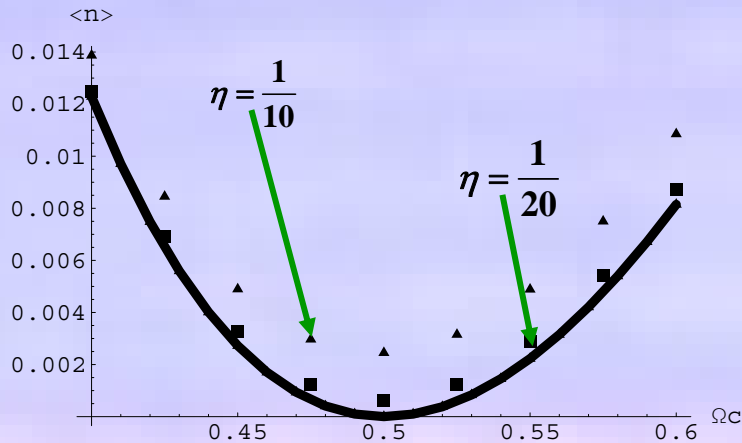
The analytical result versus the numerics. As can be seen from this figure the rate is proportional to the Lamb Dicke parameter and the fit between the rate equation results and the numerical results improves with the decrease of the Lamb Dicke parameter.



The squares are  $T_c$ ,  $T_c$  is the time that takes to reduce the population from 1 to 0.01.

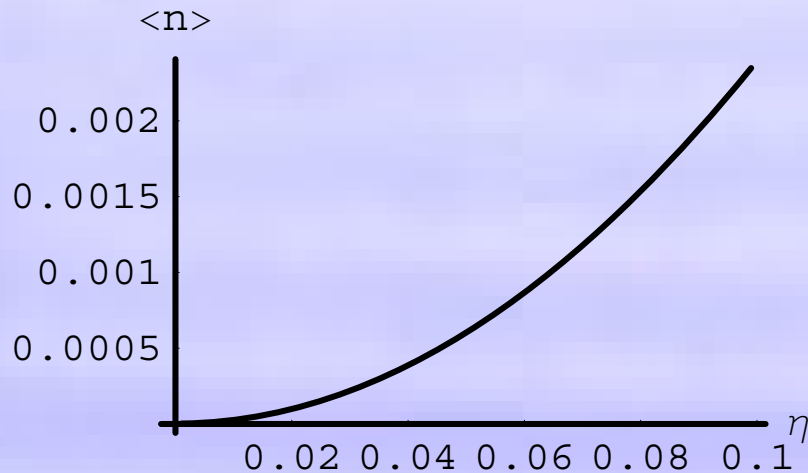
The green line corresponds to two periods of a Rabi frequency and the blue line to the analytical cooling rate

# The Final Population



The final population as a function of the Rabi frequency. The result of the rate equation in comparison with the solution of the Master equation

$$- = 1=10; {}^0 = 1; j = 10; \phi = 0$$



The final population as a function of the Lamb Dicke Parameter. Solution of the Master equation

$$- = 1=10; {}^0 = 1; j = 6; \phi = 0; -_c = 1=2$$



# The Final Population

The final population at  
the optimal point:

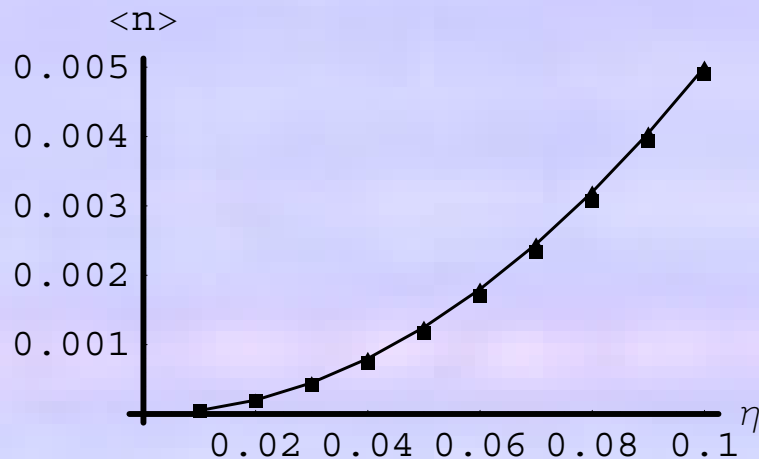
$$\frac{\Gamma\nu}{\Omega^2}\eta, \frac{\nu^2}{\Omega^2}\eta, \frac{\Delta\nu}{\Omega^2}\eta \approx 1$$

$$\langle n \rangle = \frac{\Omega^4}{\nu \left( \nu\Gamma^2 + \left( \Delta + \frac{3}{2}\nu \right) \left( \nu^2 + 2 \left( \frac{1}{2} \left( \Delta + \frac{\nu}{2} \right) \nu - \Omega^2 \right) \right) \right)}$$

$$\langle n \rangle \approx \eta^2$$

Recoil Energy

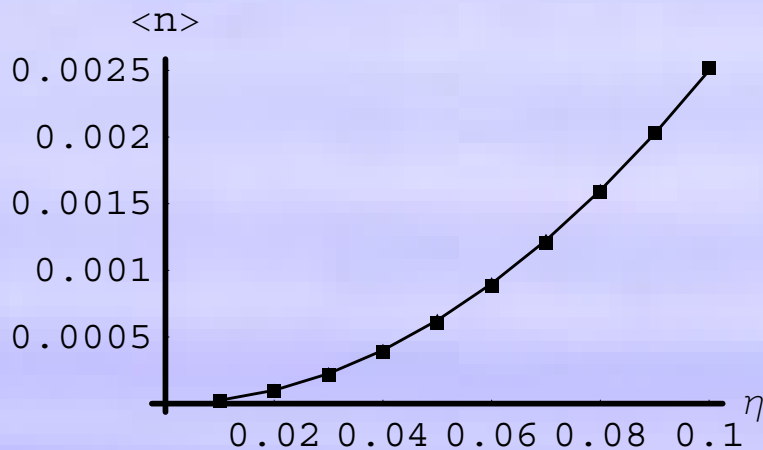
# The final population and the optimal point - Numerics



Numerics at the point:

$$\Omega = \sqrt{\Gamma v \eta}, \quad \Delta = 0$$

Versus:  $\frac{1}{2} \eta^2$



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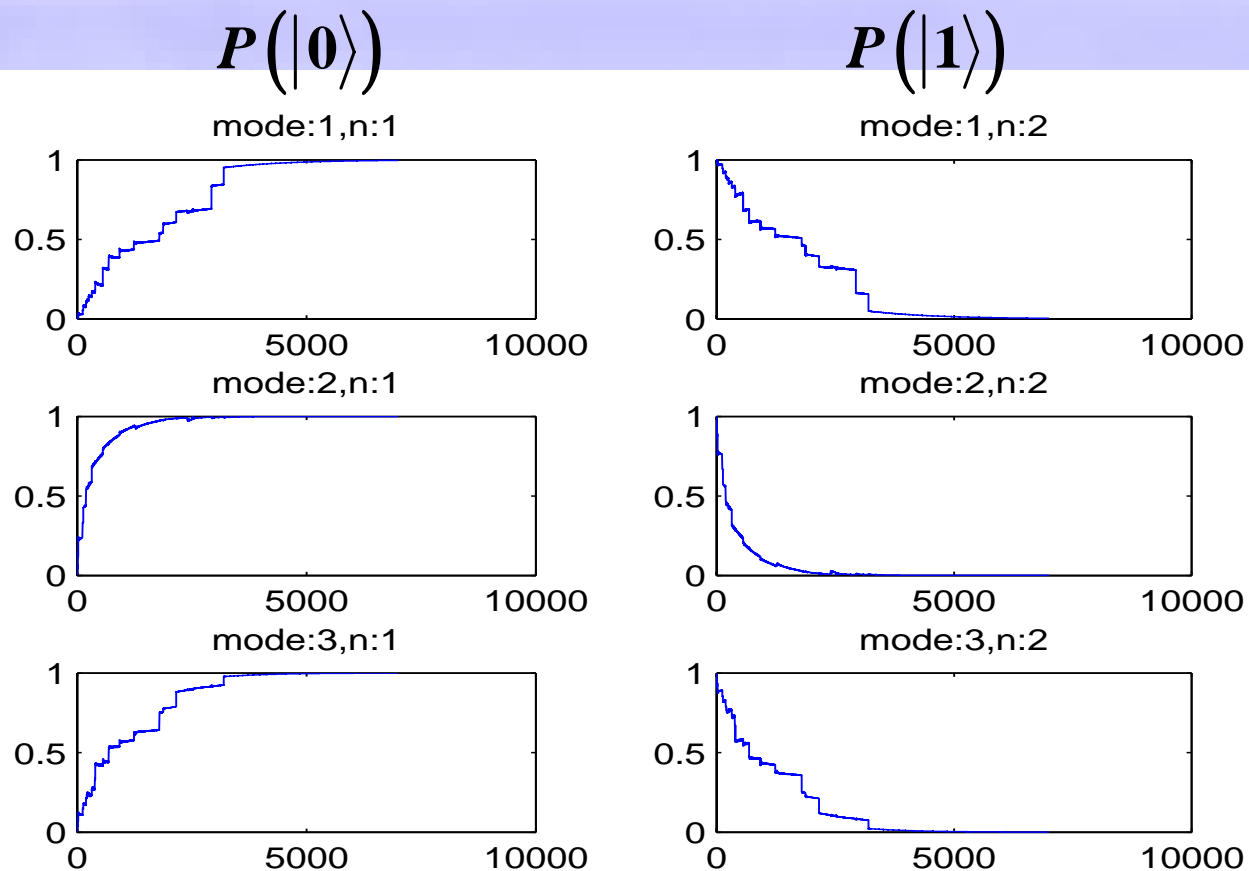
$$\Omega = \sqrt{\Gamma v \eta}, \quad \Delta = \Gamma$$

Versus:  $\frac{1}{4} \eta^2$

# Cooling of a Chain

„center-of-mass mode“

„stretch mode“



Monte Carlo Simulation of cooling three modes simultaneously. The Rabi Frequency is set to the third mode

# Summary

- 1 The Cooling Time  $\approx$  Gate Time
- 2 The Final Temperature is the Recoil below Energy
- 3 Cooling of few modes or even the whole chain is possible