

Fermi-Hubbard physics with a Quantum Gas Microscope

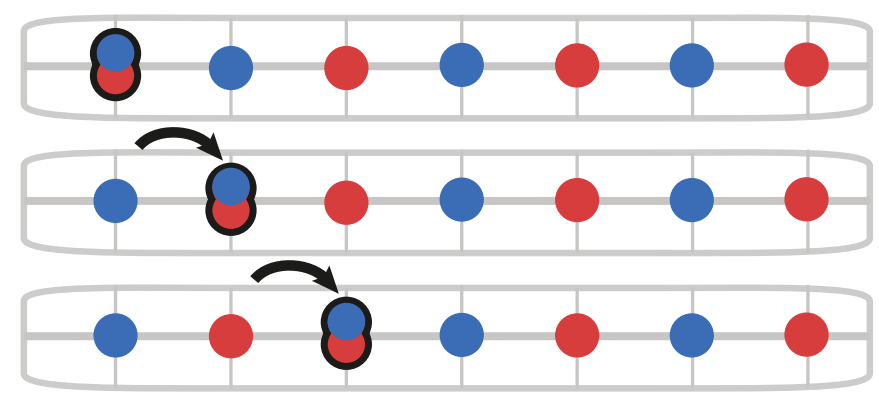
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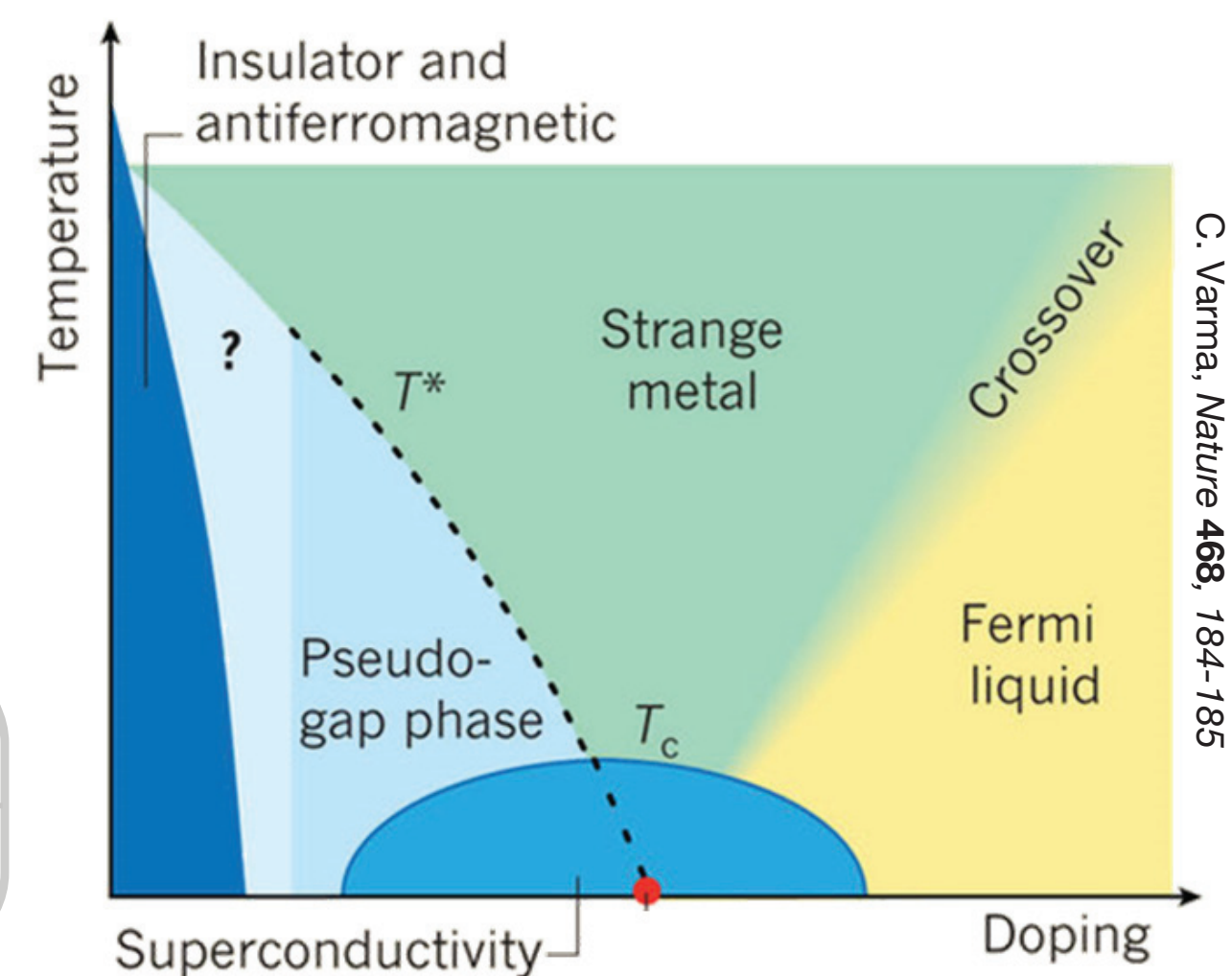
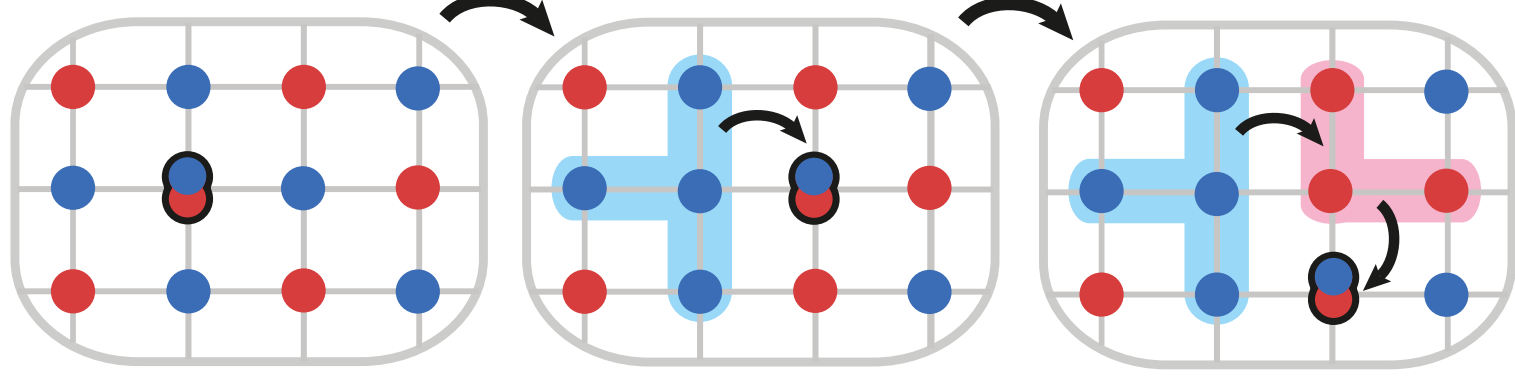


Fermi Hubbard model

1D: spin-charge separation

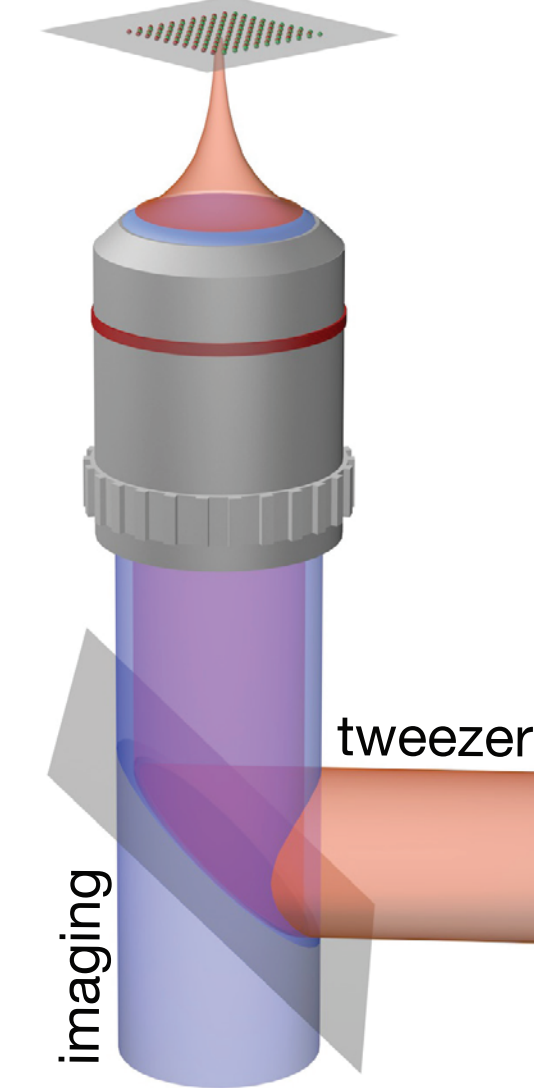


2D: competition kinetic vs magnetic energy

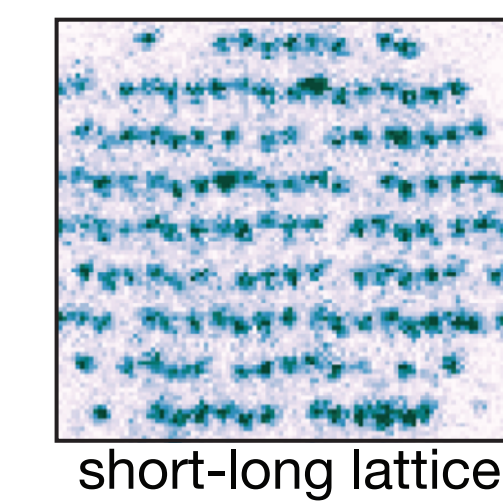
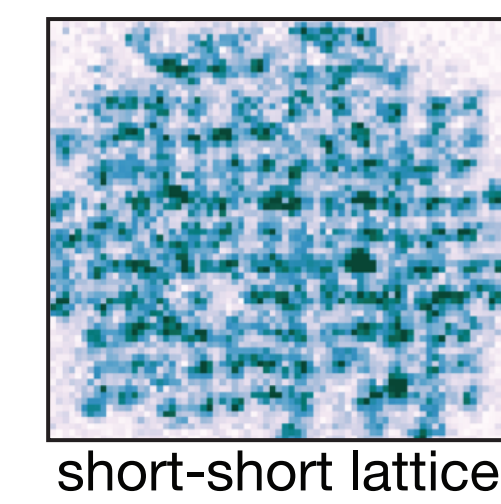


⁶Li spin mixture

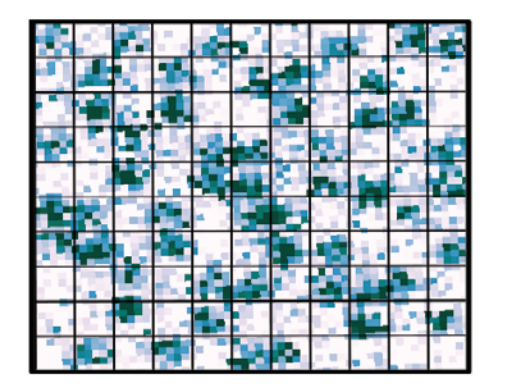
Fermi Gas Microscope



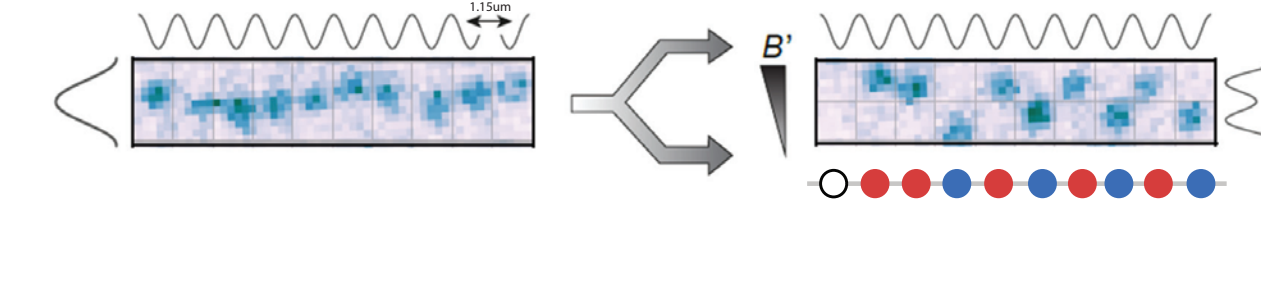
Mott-insulators:



Two-dimensional ($t_x=t_y$) Fermi-Hubbard system



Spin-resolution:



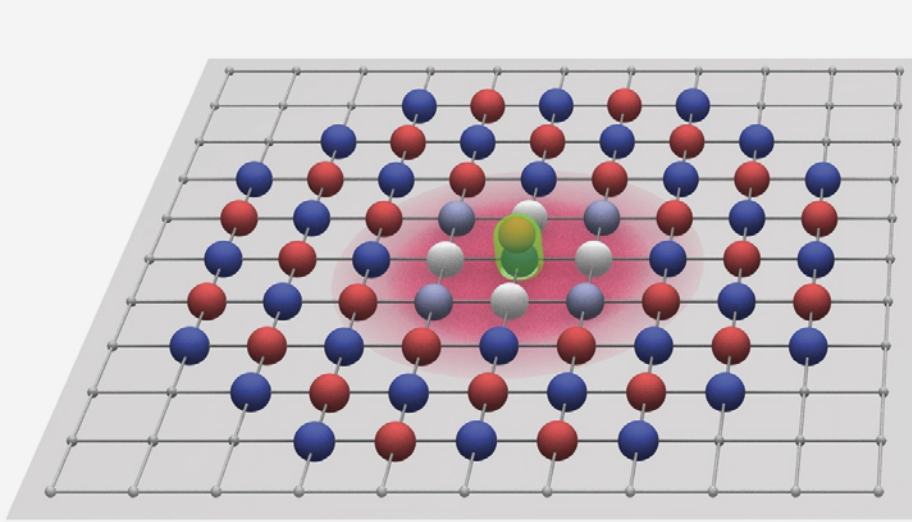
Full reconstruction: spins, holes, doublons

2D

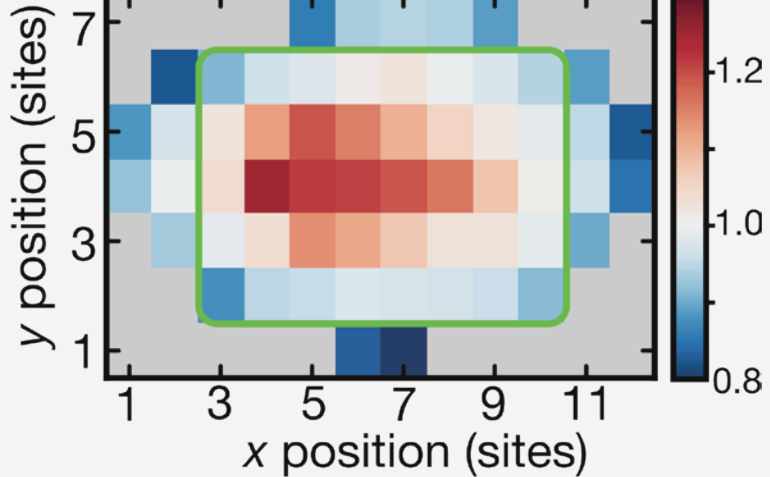
Magnetic polaron

Competition between dopant delocalization and magnetic energy
→ Polaron formation

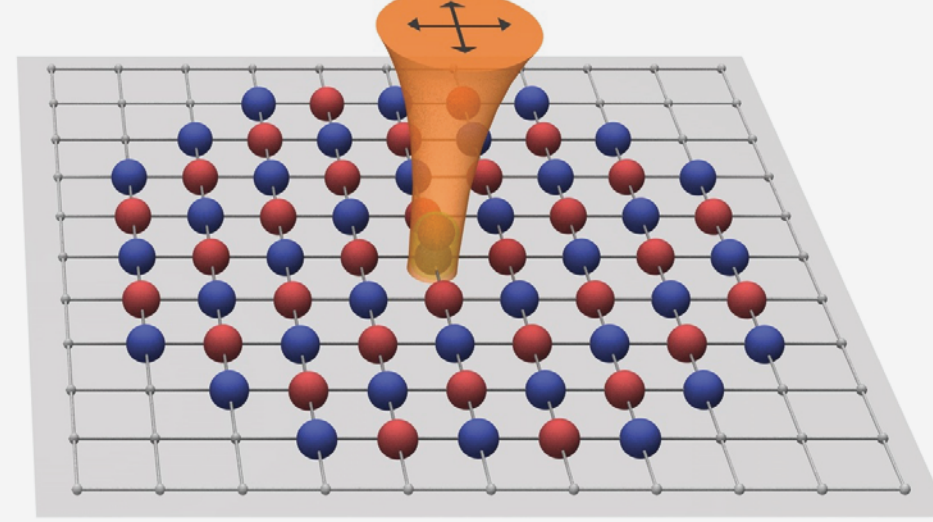
Mobile Doublon



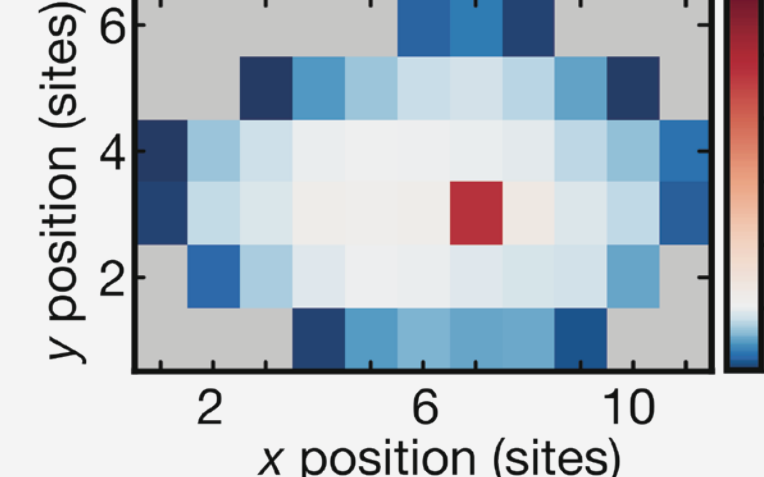
Density distribution



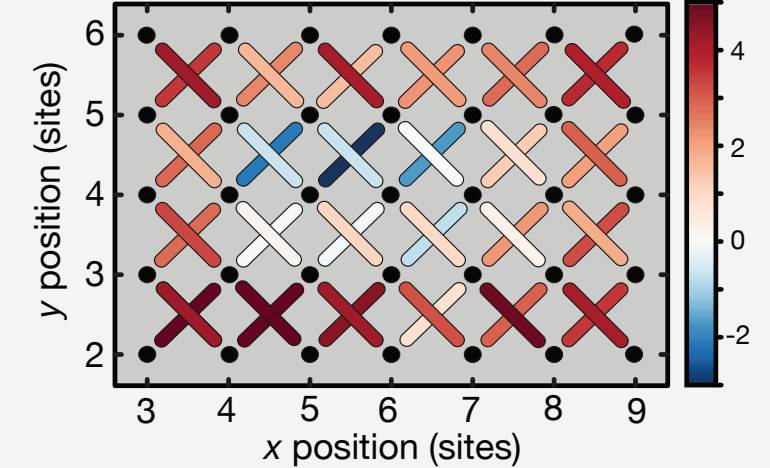
Pinned Doublon



Density distribution



Diagonal spin correlation

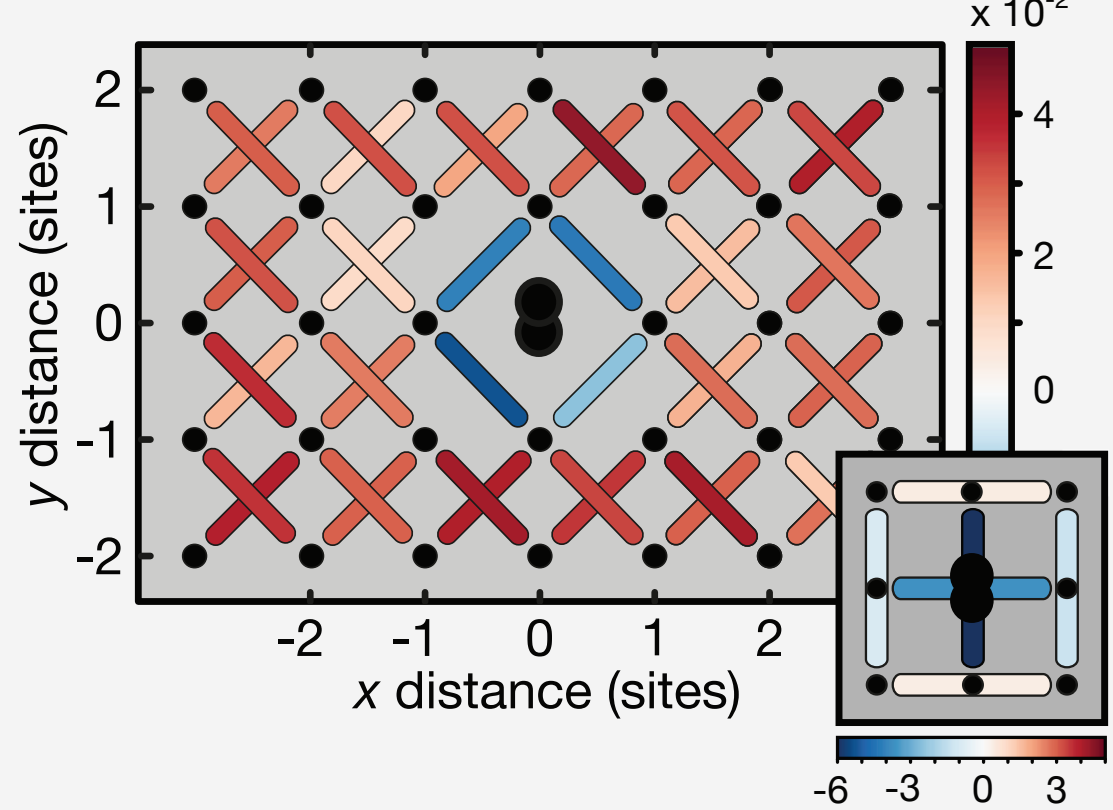


→ Sign reversal of correlations around mobile doublon

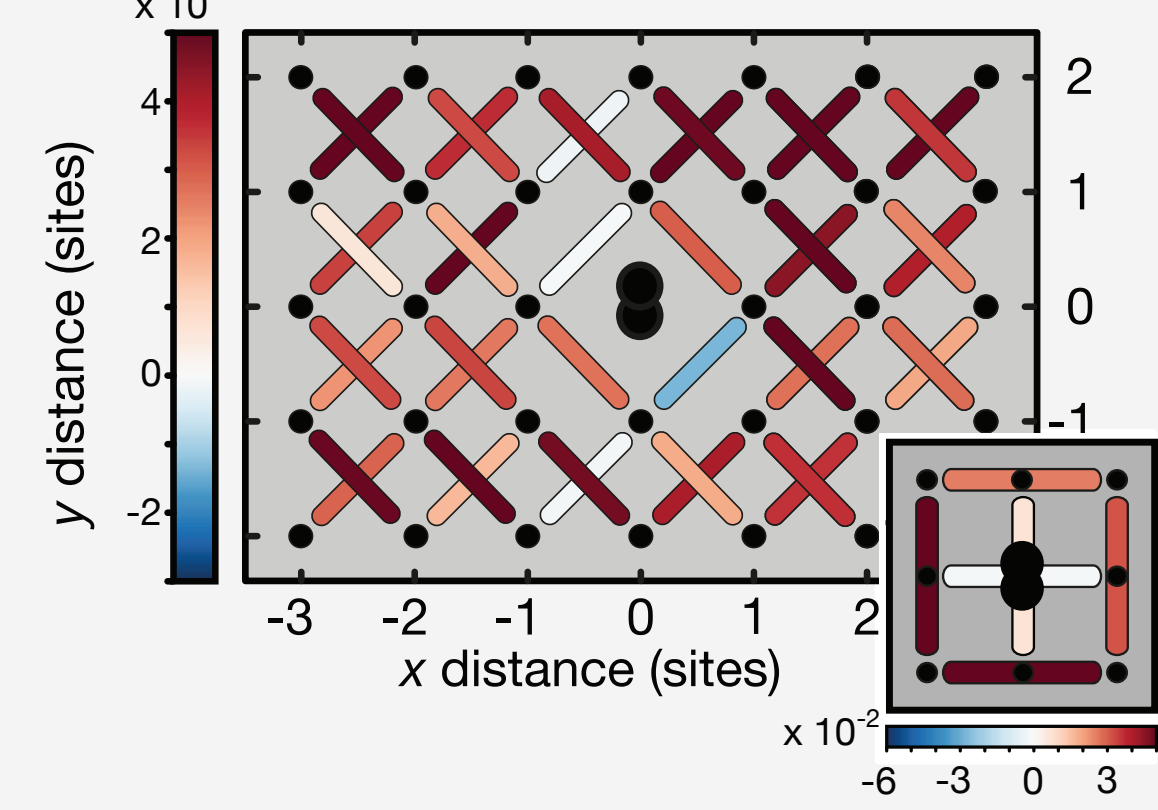
→ Small polaron size of around two sites

→ Pinning doublon suppresses polaron formation

Diagonal spin correlation for mobile doublons

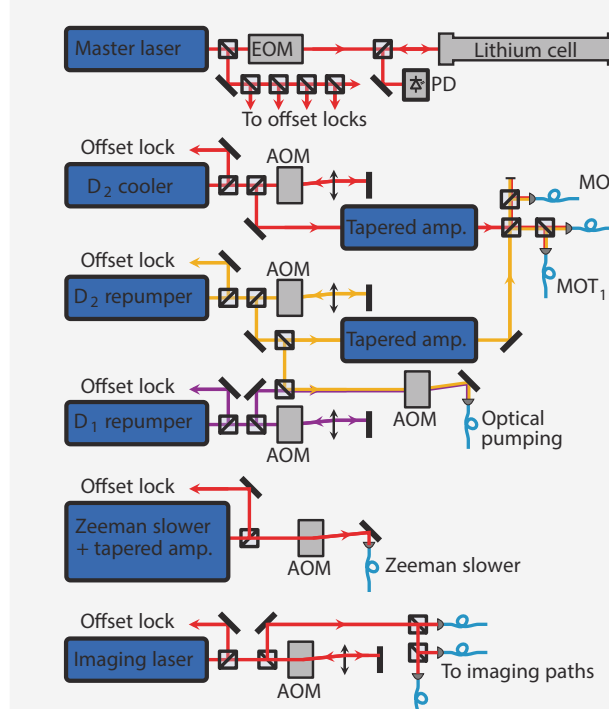


Diagonal spin correlation for pinned doublon



To run this kind of experiment extremely stable lasers are necessary!

Current setup:



- Lithium D₁ and D₂ lines are close to 671nm
- 7 individual ECDLs and 2 TAs are used for cooling, trapping and imaging 6Li atoms

Problems:

- stability during very long measurements
- ECDLs fall out of lock often
- TAs have limited power output

Planned upgrade:

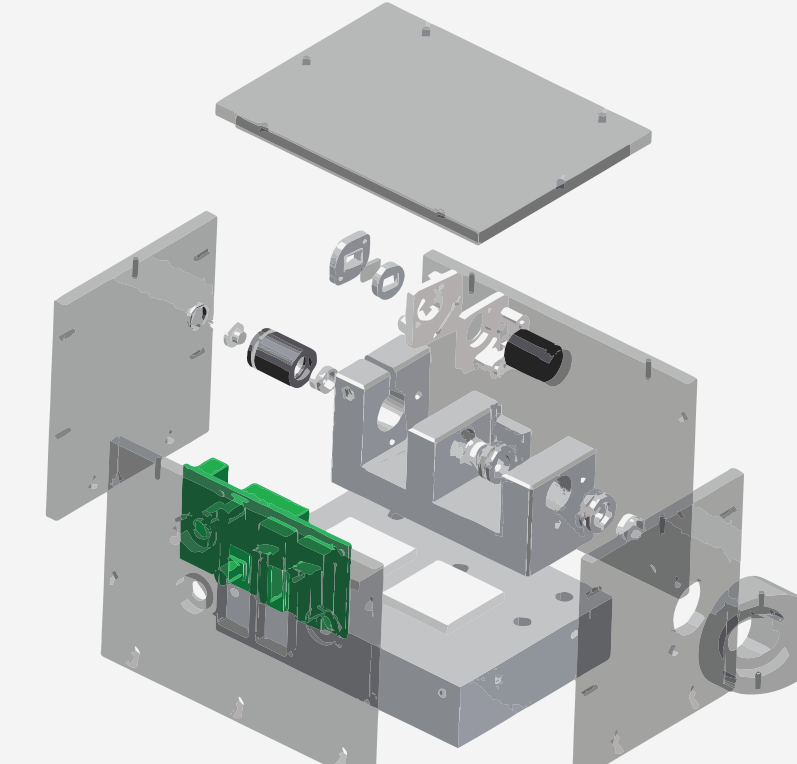
- Goal: exchange most of the ECDLs with **one stable, narrow linewidth, single mode, single frequency, high power (>1 W) laser system**
- Laser system parts:
 - ▶ self-built 1342nm linear laser
 - ▶ single pass solid state optical amplifier
 - ▶ frequency doubling cavity (1342nm → 671nm)
- To the best of our knowledge, this would be the first 671nm laser system working on a single pass MOPA principle

Linear laser

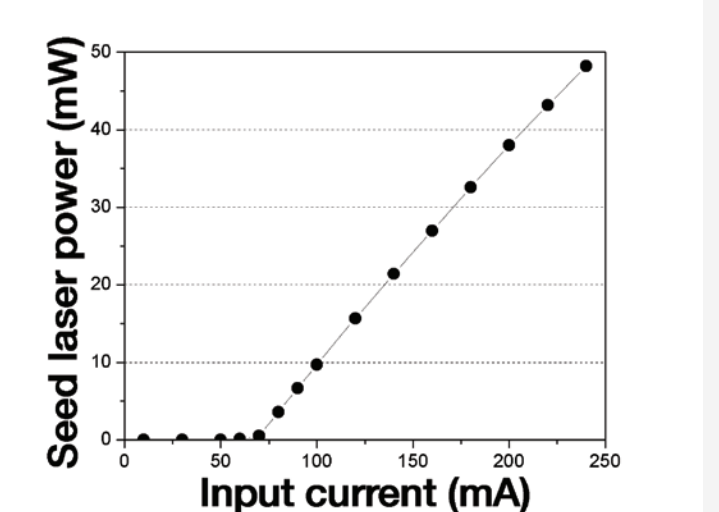
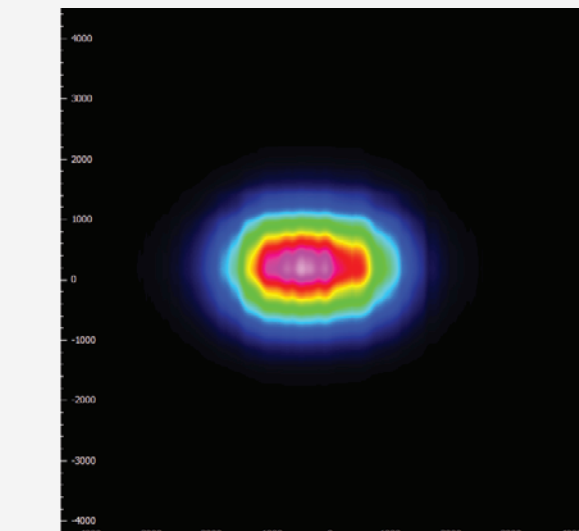
1342nm external cavity diode laser (ECDL) used as a seed for optical amplifier

Main laser elements:

- AR coated laser diode (Toptica)
- outcoupling mirror (30% reflectivity)
- narrow linewidth interference filter (0.8nm, single mode operation)

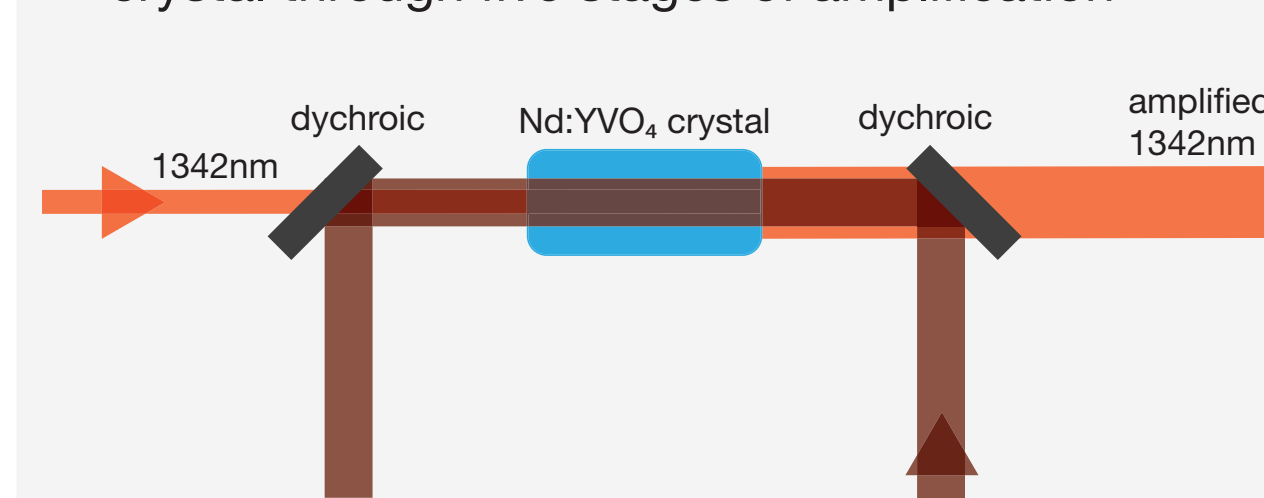


1342nm laser beam profile

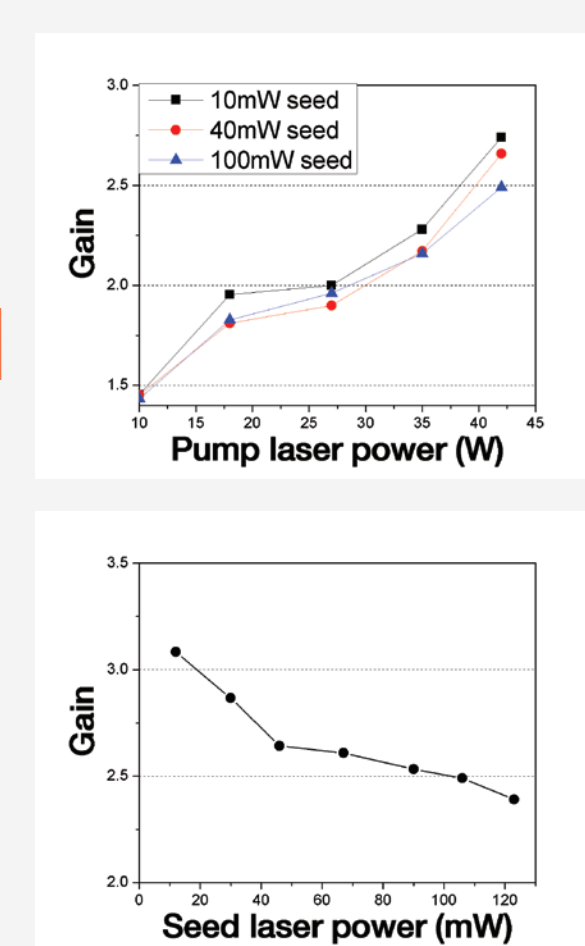


Solid state optical amplifier

Optical amplification is happening in a Nd:YVO₄ crystal through five stages of amplification



Crystal is pumped with 45W of 808nm pump laser. 1342nm seed is amplified after passing through the pumped crystal



Measured gain: **between 2.5 and 3.0**

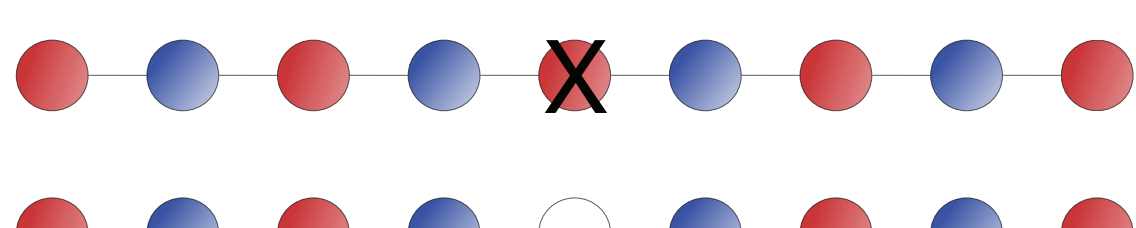
Expected MOPA output power: **>5W of 1342nm**

Nd:YVO₄ crystal properties:

- strong 1064nm and 1342nm emission cross-section
- strong 808nm absorption cross-section

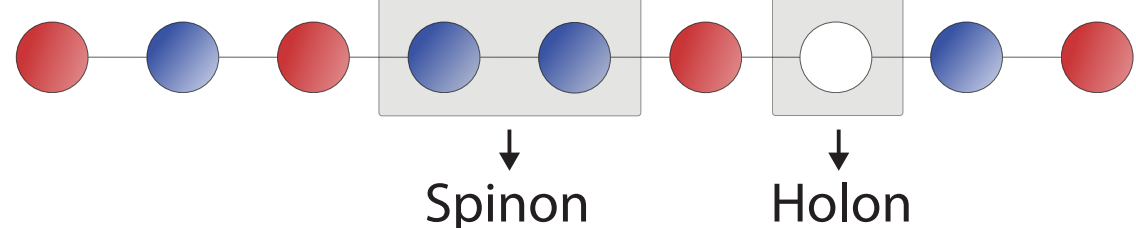
1D

Dynamical Spin-Charge Separation



Excitation introduces (Δ charge) = e and (Δ spin) = 1/2

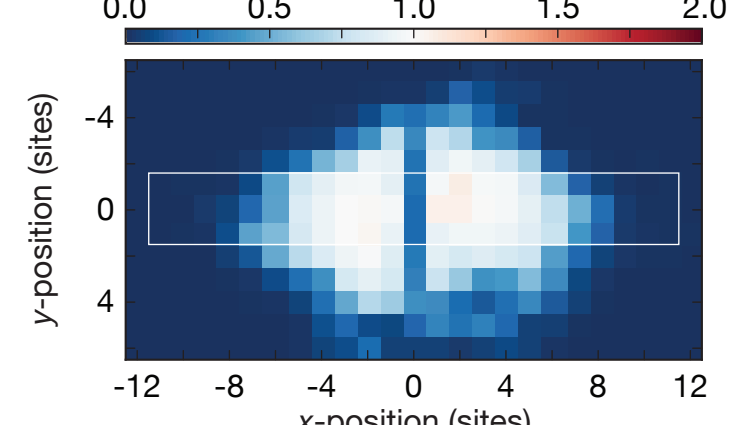
at time $t > 0$



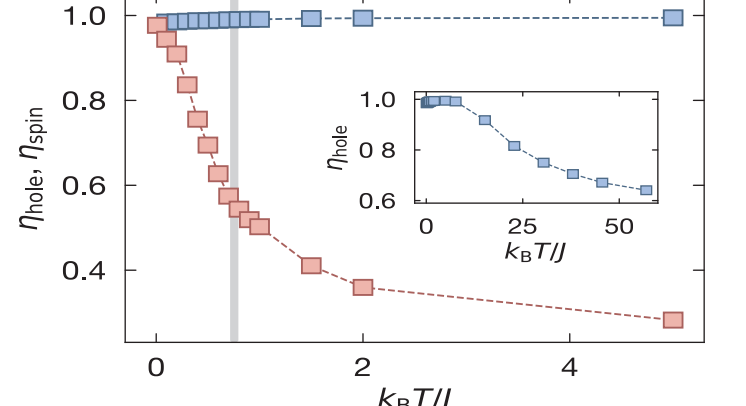
Holon carries (Δ charge) = e and (Δ spin) = 0

Spinon carries (Δ charge) = 0 and (Δ spin) = 1/2

Atomic density after quench

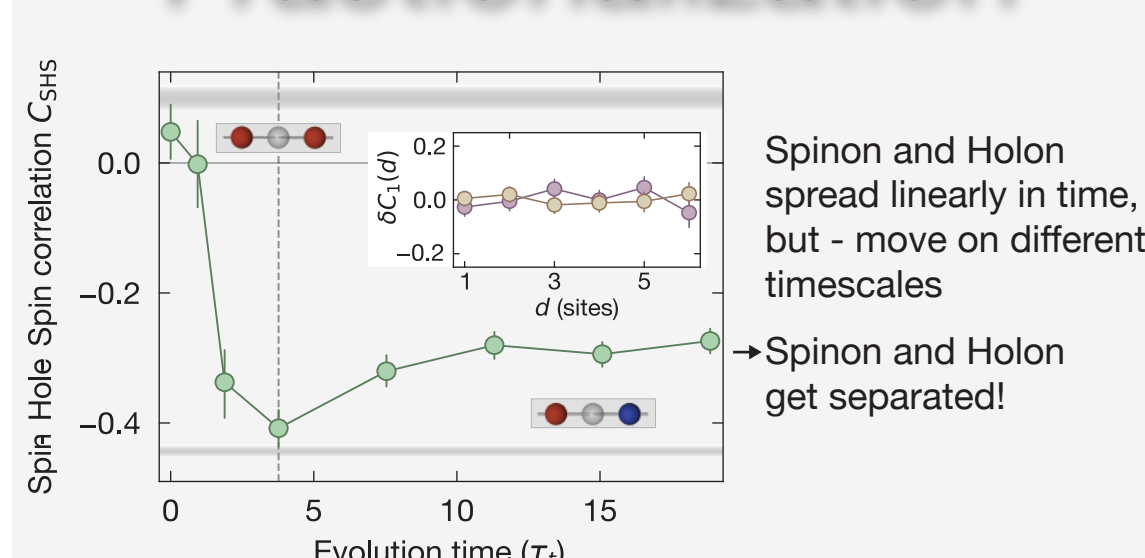


Removal efficiency vs. temperature

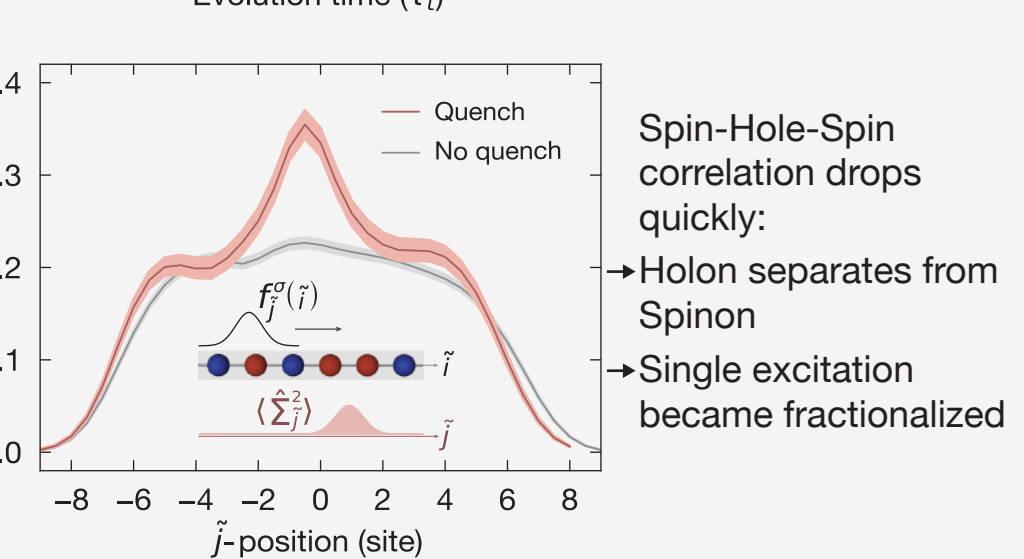


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Fractionalization

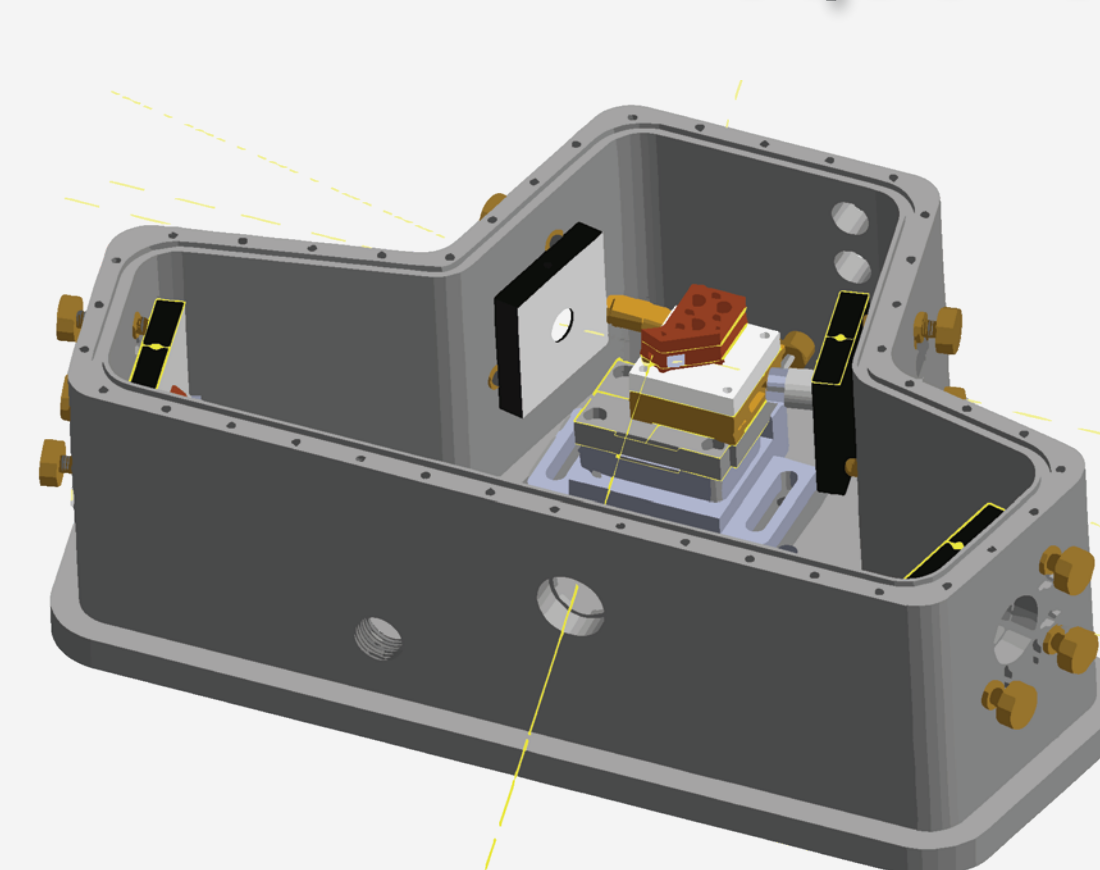


Spinon and Holon spread linearly in time, but - move on different timescales
→ Spinon and Holon get separated!



Spin-Hole-Spin correlation drops quickly:
→ Holon separates from Spinon
→ Single excitation became fractionalized

Frequency doubling cavity



- Second harmonic generation (SHG) in LBO crystal
- Type I critical phase-matching, AR coated crystal at 313K
- Expected conversion efficiencies of 40-50%

$$\frac{I(2\omega)}{I(\omega)} = \frac{2\omega^2 |d_{eff}|^2 l^2 I(\omega)}{n^3 c^3 \epsilon_0} \text{sinc}^2\left(\frac{\Delta k \cdot l}{2}\right)$$

ω - input beam frequency
 d_{eff} - nonlinear coefficient
 l - length of the crystal
 I - beam intensity

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