Spin and valley physics of a single electron confined in a Si/SiGe quantum dot



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Loss–DiVincenzo quantum computer

electron spin
in a quantum dot as a qubit
in the orbit (valley-orbit) ground state





Koppens et al, Nature 442, 766 (2006)

D. Loss and D. P. DiVincenzo, Phys. Rev. A 57, 120 (1998).

All electrical control of Loss–DiVincenzo quantum computer



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Scaling up in GaAs/AlGaAs QDs





Harvard, Delft, NRC, ...





Harvard, Grenoble, Delft, Tokyo,...







Electron spin coherence – Si vs. GaAs

GaAs/AlGaAs
$$\mathcal{H} = g\mu_B \vec{S} \vec{B} + \vec{S} \sum A_i \vec{I}_i$$

No nuclear spin free isotopes



hyperfine coupling

- $T_2^* \sim 10-20 \text{ ns}$
- $T_{2,\text{Hahn}} \sim 0.5 \ \mu\text{s}$



Zeeman splitting fluctuates



Overhauser field

 $\tilde{B}(t)$

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No nuclear spin free isotopes

Si/SiGe

²⁸Si is spinless can purify isopically



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Veldhorst et al., Nature Nano 2015

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Si/SiGe

Natural silicon 5% nuclei with spin



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THIS TALK

weak hyperfine coupling $T_2^* \sim 1 \ \mu s$ $T_{DD} \sim 400 \ \mu s$

Device schematic (top view)

depletion gates



Device schematic (top view)

accumulation gate



Maune et al, HRL (2012)

Device schematic (top view)

Co micro-magnet



Pioro-Ladriere et al, Nat. Phys (2008)

Device schematic (side view)



Si/SiGe DQD fabrication



Spin manipulation: micromagnet and microwave *E*-field



Pulse scheme for EDSR



Spin spectroscopy (CW)



Closer look at the Rabi oscillations

Kawakami*, Scarlino* et al, Nature Nanotechnology 9, 666–670 (2014)

> Rabi frequency up to ~ 5 MHz

Rabi decay limited by hyperfine coupling

 $(T_2^* \sim 1 \mu s)$





Dynamical decoupling: XY8

Kawakami et al., arxiv:1504.06436.





longest coherence time measured $T_2 = 400 \ \mu s$ ($N_{\pi} = 128$)

Gate fidelity: randomized benchmarking

Kawakami et al., arxiv:1504.06436.

state fidelity = $A p^m$



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Why two resonances?



Hypothesis: Two **valleys** populated with different charge envelope wave function and thus different g-factor and Rabi frequency

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Valley degree in Silicon



Spin intra-valley spectroscopy



Complex spin resonance spectrum



(2)&



(3 (4)&



Electric-dipole spin resonance coherently driven at second harmonic



 $f_0^{(5)}$



Inter-valley transition



T_2^* much shorter and no Rabi

inter-valley

intra-valley



Resonance frequency v.s. d.c. gate voltage





Summary

Excellent electron spin qubit in natural Si/SiGe QD

➢ gate fidelity ~ 99 %





Small valley energy splitting affects the qubits

Both lowest valley states are thermally populated



Second harmonic coherent driving and inter-valley spin resonance





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