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Polarimetry with spins in the solid state

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Group: Quantum computing and devices (QCoDe)



Floquet
spin qubits



EU Horizon Pathfinder (QuKit)



ConQuMat-TRR360

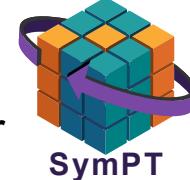




Group's research

Fundamental aspects of quantum systems

- Light-matter interaction: from the semiclassical to the quantum regime
 - Floquet hole spin qubits
 - Cavity-based control of quantum magnets
- Universal solution to the Schrieffer-Wolff generator

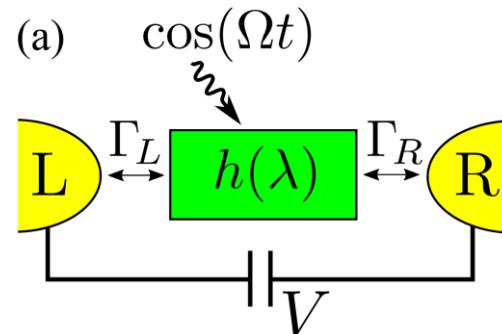


Reascos, Diotallevi, and MB, arXiv:2411.11535
Diotallevi, Reascos and MB, arXiv:2412.10240

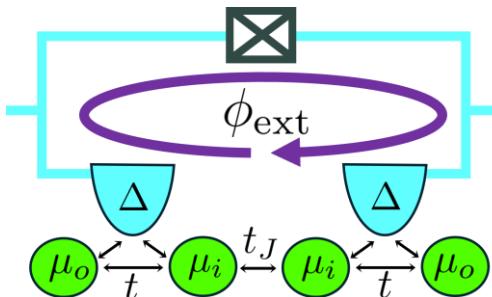
- Linear-response theory of quantum electronic circuits

Peri, MB, et al., npj Quantum Inf 10, 114 (2024)

- Transport and topology in quantum devices

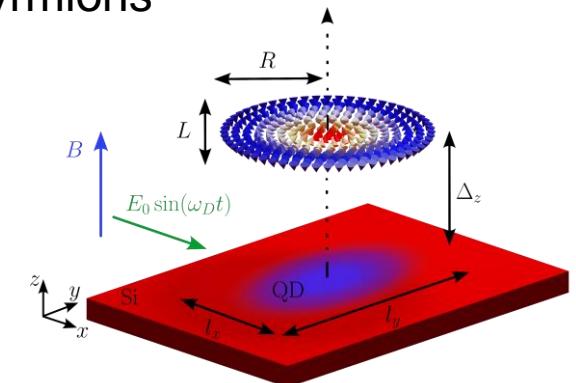


- Hybrid super-semiconductor qubits



Modeling quantum devices

- Control of Si qubits by magnetic skyrmions

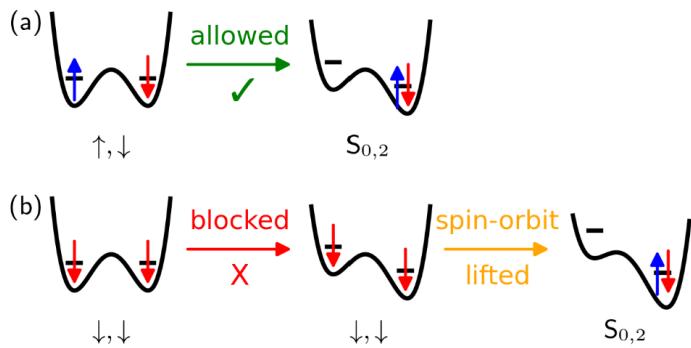


- Rydberg-spin qubits on He and Ne
Kawakami, MB, et al., Phys. Rev. Appl. **20**, 054022 (2023).

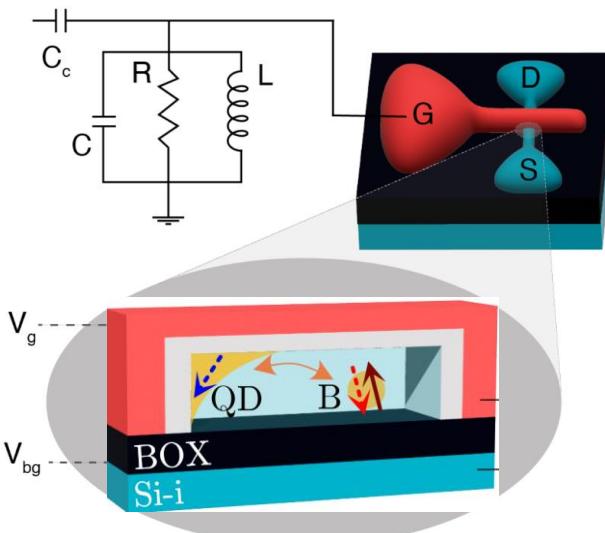
- Electrical readout of spins
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Polarimetry with spins in the solid state

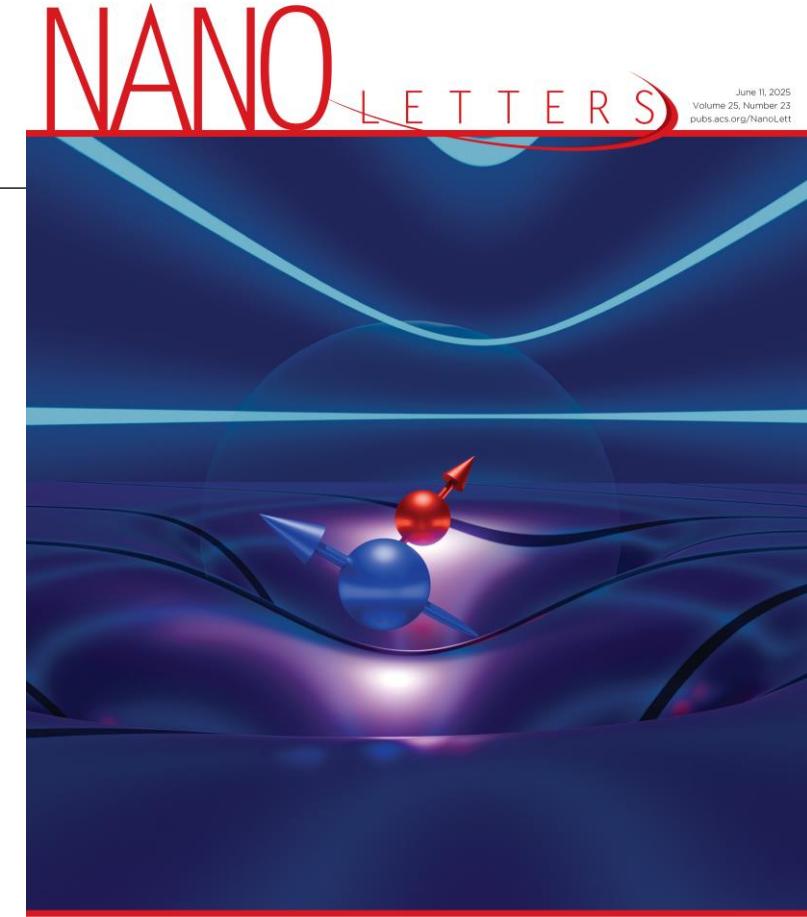
- Hole QD-acceptor in Si NW transistor
- Magic magnetic field directions and Pauli spin blockade (PSB)



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- Analogy to light polarimetry
- Electrical spin readout fidelity



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F. Gonzalez-Zalba



F. von Horstig



L. Peri

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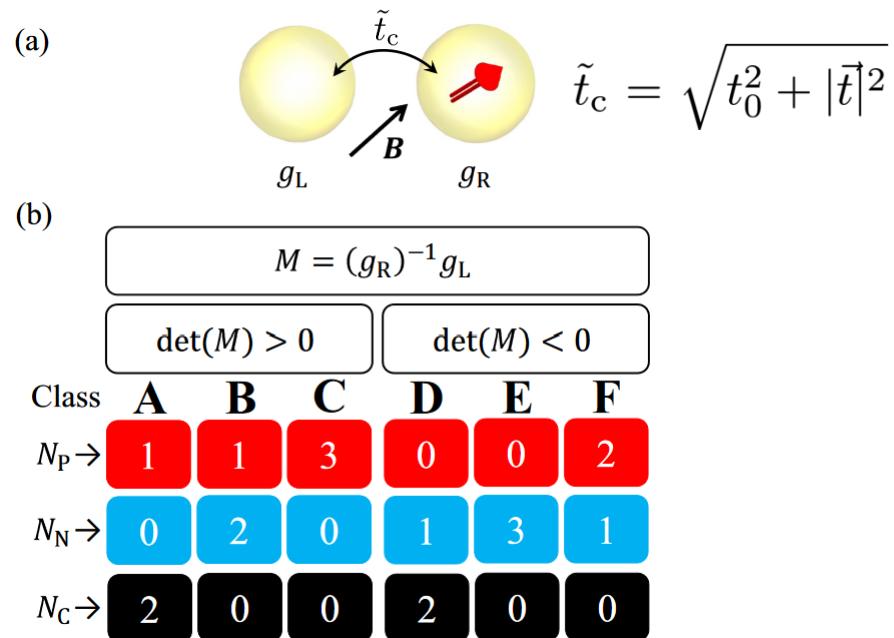
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Spin-orbit (SO)-coupled double quantum dots (DQDs)

SO coupling effects:

- Different g-tensors

$$H_Z = \frac{1}{2} \mu_B (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_L \cdot \mathbf{g}_L \mathbf{B} + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_R \cdot \mathbf{g}_R \mathbf{B})$$



$$H_t = t_0 \tau_x + \vec{t} \cdot \vec{\sigma} \tau_y$$

- Spin-conserving + spin-flip tunneling

$$\theta_t/2 = \arctan(|\vec{t}|/t_0)$$

$$W = \exp \left(\frac{\theta_t}{2i} \frac{\vec{t}}{|\vec{t}|} \cdot \vec{\sigma} \right)$$

- In the gauge of pseudospin-conserving tunneling:

$$H = \frac{\epsilon}{2} \tau_z + \tilde{t}_c \tau_x + \frac{1}{2} \mu_B (\tilde{\sigma}_L \cdot \tilde{g}_L \mathbf{B} + \tilde{\sigma}_R \cdot \tilde{g}_R \mathbf{B})$$

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{g}_L &= g_L \\ \tilde{g}_R &= R g_R\end{aligned}$$

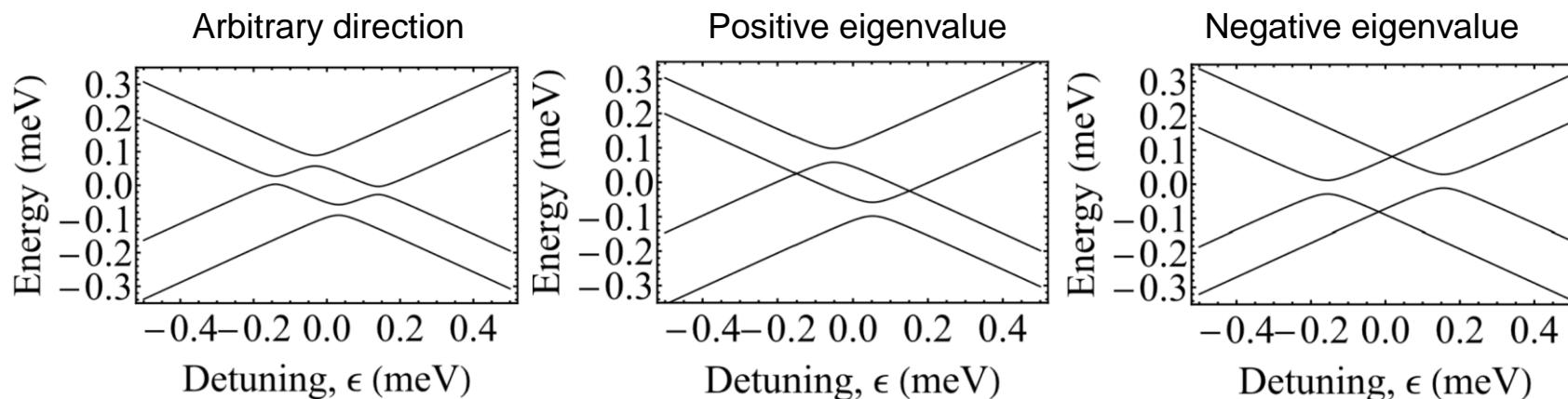
- Parallel internal Zeeman fields and PSB:

$$\tilde{g}_L \mathbf{B} \parallel \tilde{g}_R \mathbf{B} \longrightarrow M \mathbf{B} = \lambda \mathbf{B}$$

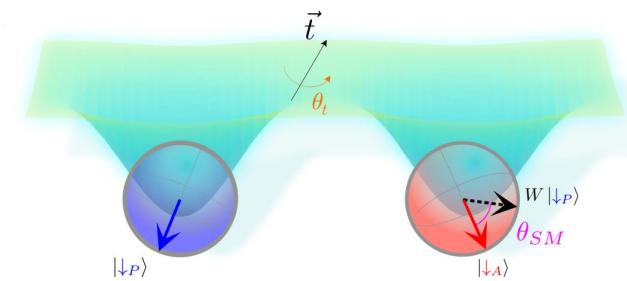
- Categorised in 6 classes

Sen et al., PRB, 108, 245406 (2023).

SO-coupled DQDs: odd transition ((1,0) \leftrightarrow (0,1))



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$$H = \frac{\epsilon}{2} \tau_z + \tilde{t}_c \tau_x + \frac{1}{2} \mu_B (\tilde{\sigma}_L \cdot \tilde{g}_L \mathbf{B} + \tilde{\sigma}_R \cdot \tilde{g}_R \mathbf{B})$$

- In the gauge of local internal Zeeman fields: $H_Z = \frac{1}{2} \mu_B \left(|g_P \vec{B}| \sigma_z^P + |g_A \vec{B}| \sigma_z^A \right)$

$$H_t^{\text{odd}} = \tilde{t}_c (Q |\downarrow_P\rangle \langle \downarrow_A| + Q^* |\uparrow_P\rangle \langle \uparrow_A| + \Lambda |\downarrow_P\rangle \langle \uparrow_A| - \Lambda^* |\uparrow_P\rangle \langle \downarrow_A|) + h.c.$$

$$|Q| = |\langle \downarrow_A |W| \downarrow_P \rangle| = \cos \frac{\theta_{SM}}{2}$$

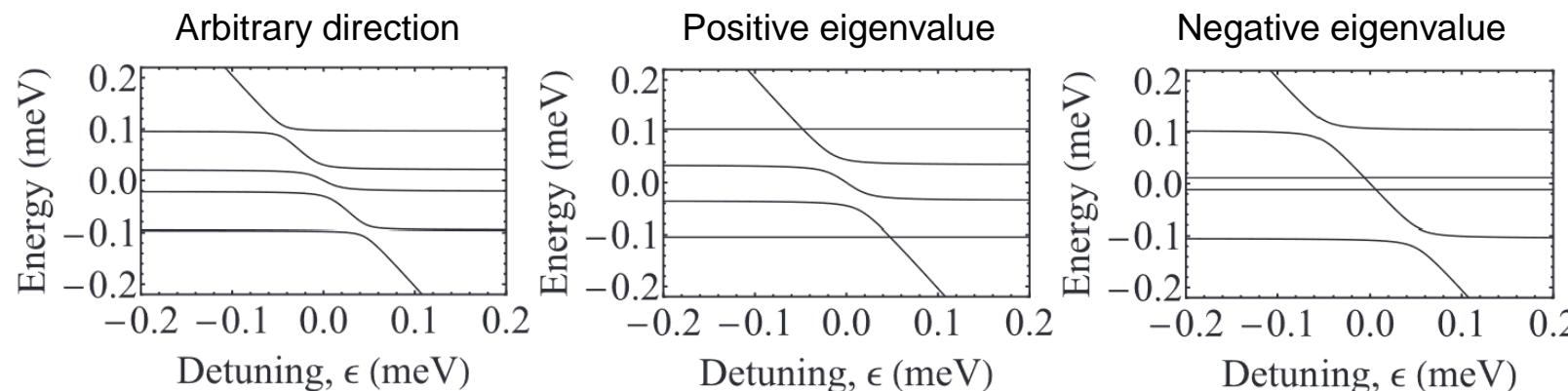
$$|\Lambda| = |\langle \uparrow_A |W| \downarrow_P \rangle| = \sin \frac{\theta_{SM}}{2}$$

Spin misalignment

$$\cos \theta_{SM} = \frac{(\mathbf{R} \mathbf{g}_P \vec{B}) \cdot (\mathbf{g}_A \vec{B})}{|\mathbf{g}_P \vec{B}| |\mathbf{g}_A \vec{B}|}$$

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SO-coupled DQDs: even transition ((1,1) \leftrightarrow (0,2))



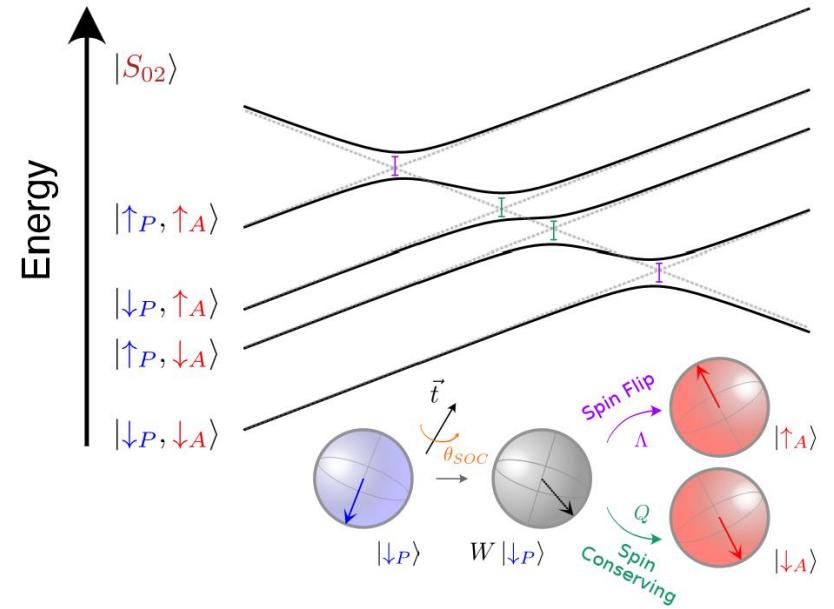
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Detuning

$$H^{(2)} = \frac{1}{2}\mu_B(\tilde{\sigma}_L \cdot \tilde{g}_L \mathbf{B} + \tilde{\sigma}_R \cdot \tilde{g}_R \mathbf{B}) + \sqrt{2} \tilde{t}_c |\mathcal{S}\rangle\langle \mathcal{S}_{02}| + \text{H.c.}] - \epsilon |\mathcal{S}_{02}\rangle\langle \mathcal{S}_{02}|$$

- In the gauge of local internal Zeeman fields:

$$H_t^{\text{even}} = \frac{\tilde{t}_c}{\sqrt{2}} (Q |\downarrow_P, \uparrow_A\rangle\langle S_{02}| - Q^* |\uparrow_P, \downarrow_A\rangle\langle S_{02}| + \Lambda |\downarrow_P, \downarrow_A\rangle\langle S_{02}| + \Lambda^* |\uparrow_P, \uparrow_A\rangle\langle S_{02}|) + h.c.$$



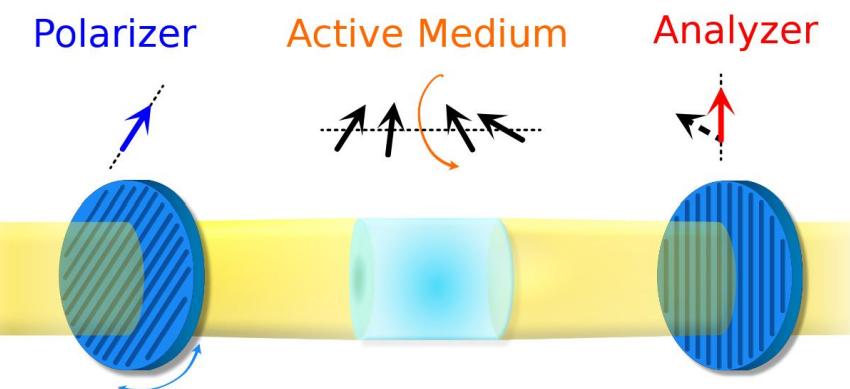
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Polarimetry: light versus spins

Tunneling under SO coupling as an active medium

Polarimetry with light:

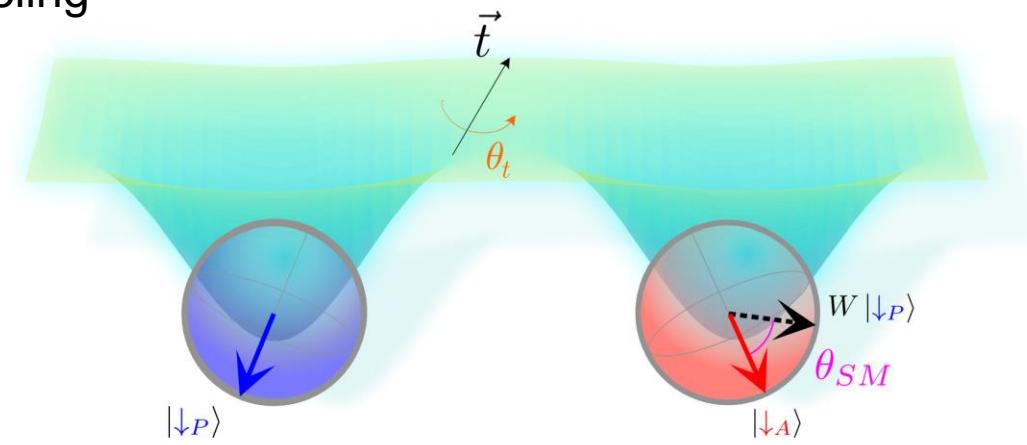
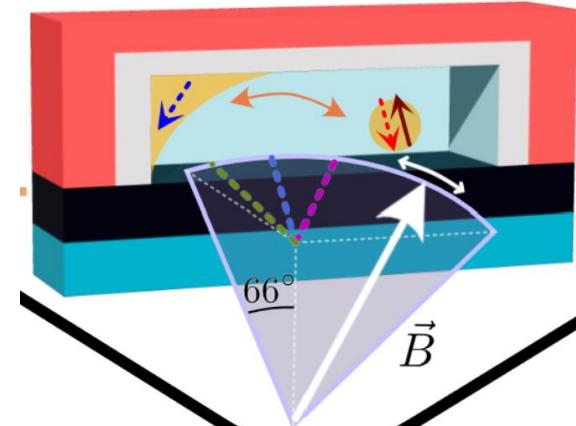
- Optical transmission measured as a function of polarizer angle
- Polarization misalignment between A and the image of P after rotation by the medium
- Perfect transmission for one specific angle



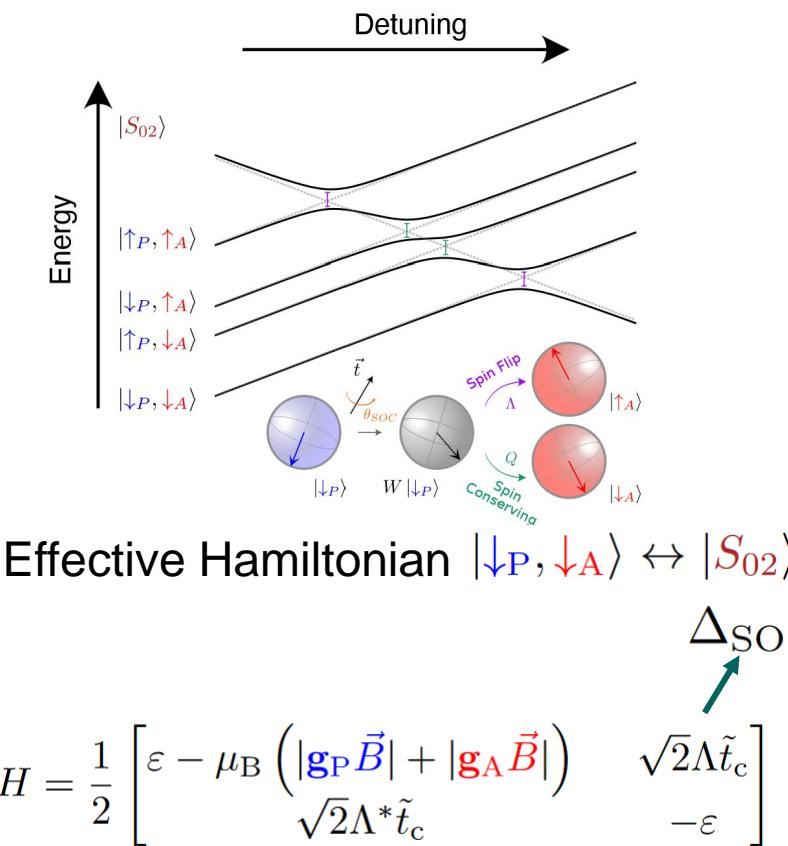
Polarimetry with spins:

- Tunneling measured as a function of magnetic field angle (3D)
- Spin misalignment between A and the image of P after tunneling
- =0 Pauli spin blockade (PSB) at magic angles

Hole QD-acceptor in Si nanowire transistor

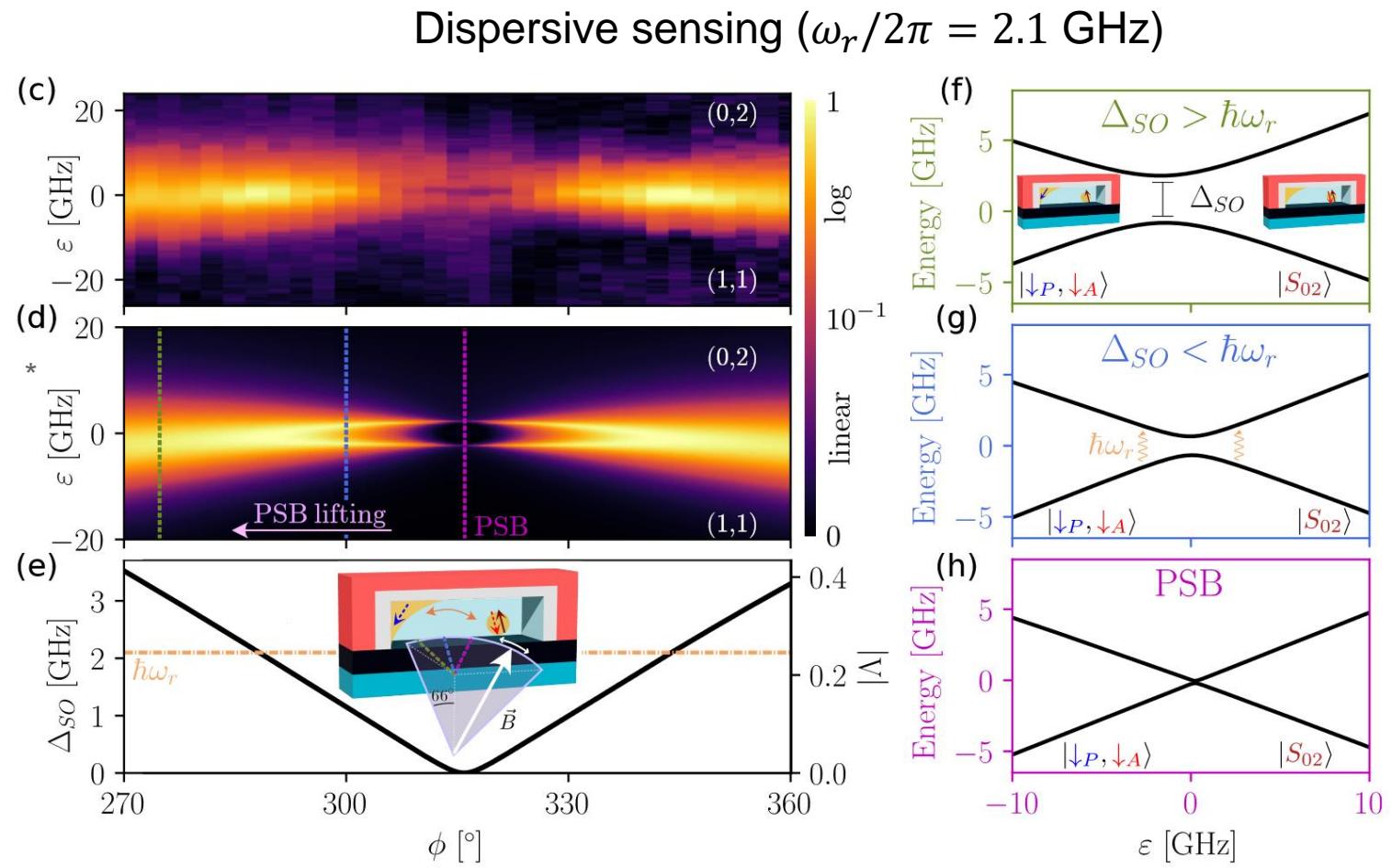


Polarimetry: measuring spin misalignment



$$\tilde{t}_c = \sqrt{t_0^2 + |\vec{t}|^2}$$

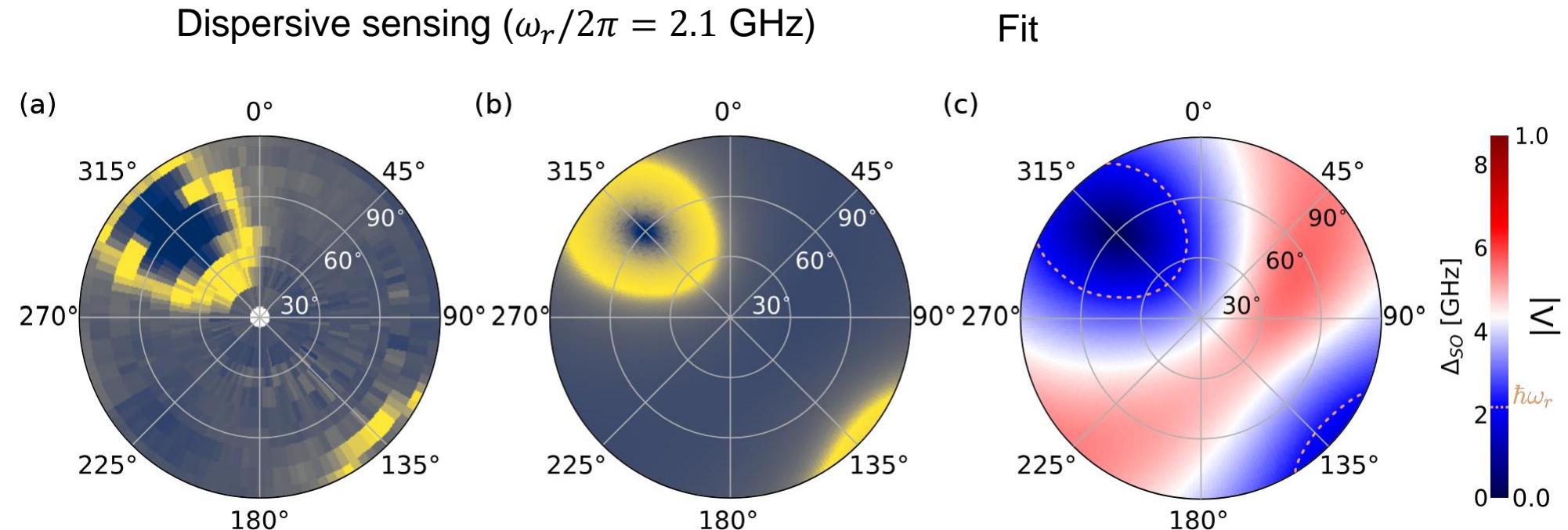
$$|\Lambda| = |\langle \uparrow_A | W | \downarrow_P \rangle| = \sin \frac{\theta_{SM}}{2}$$



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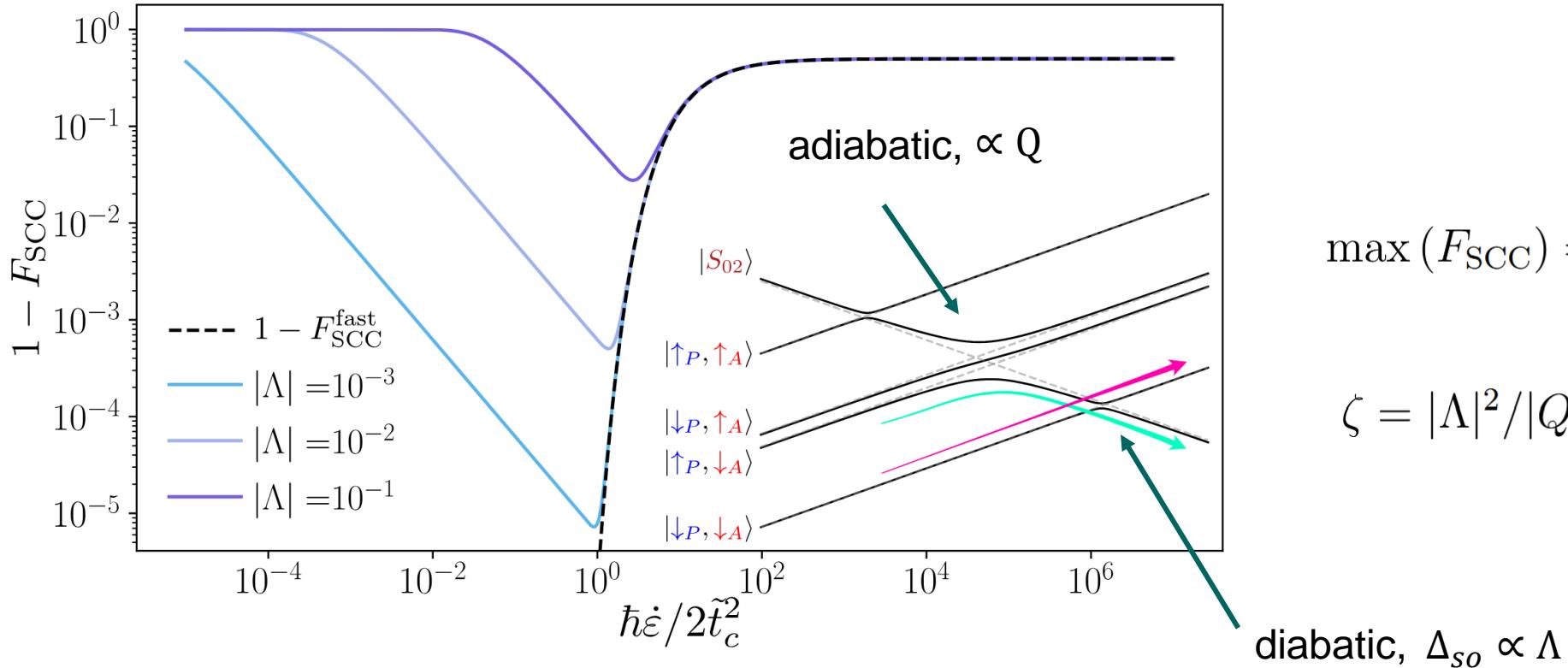
Polarimetry: looking for PSB

PSB halo to find PSB



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Electrical readout: fast VS slow



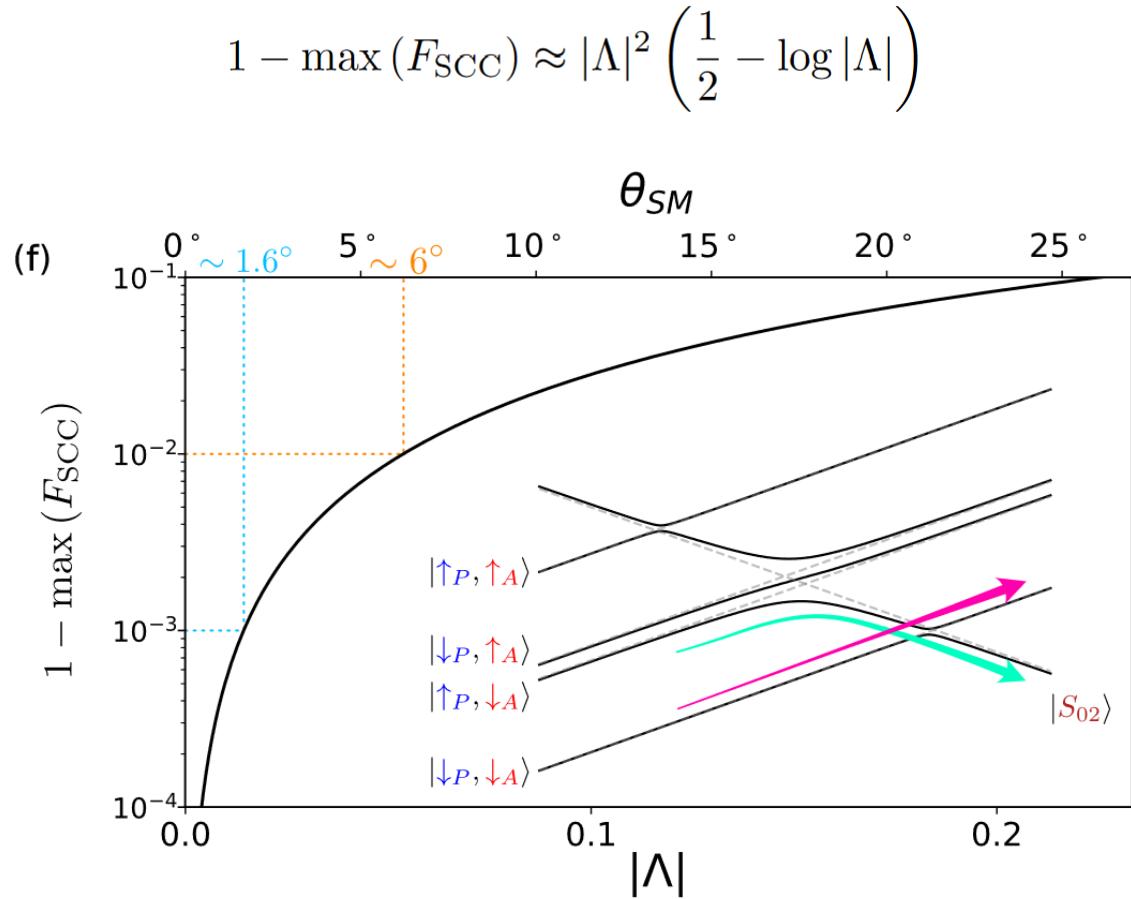
$$\max(F_{\text{SCC}}) = \frac{1}{1 + \zeta/2} \left(\frac{\zeta}{1 + \zeta/2} \right)^{\frac{\zeta}{2}}$$

$$\zeta = |\Lambda|^2/|Q|^2 = \tan^2(\theta_{\text{SM}}/2)$$

diabatic, $\Delta_{\text{so}} \propto \Lambda$

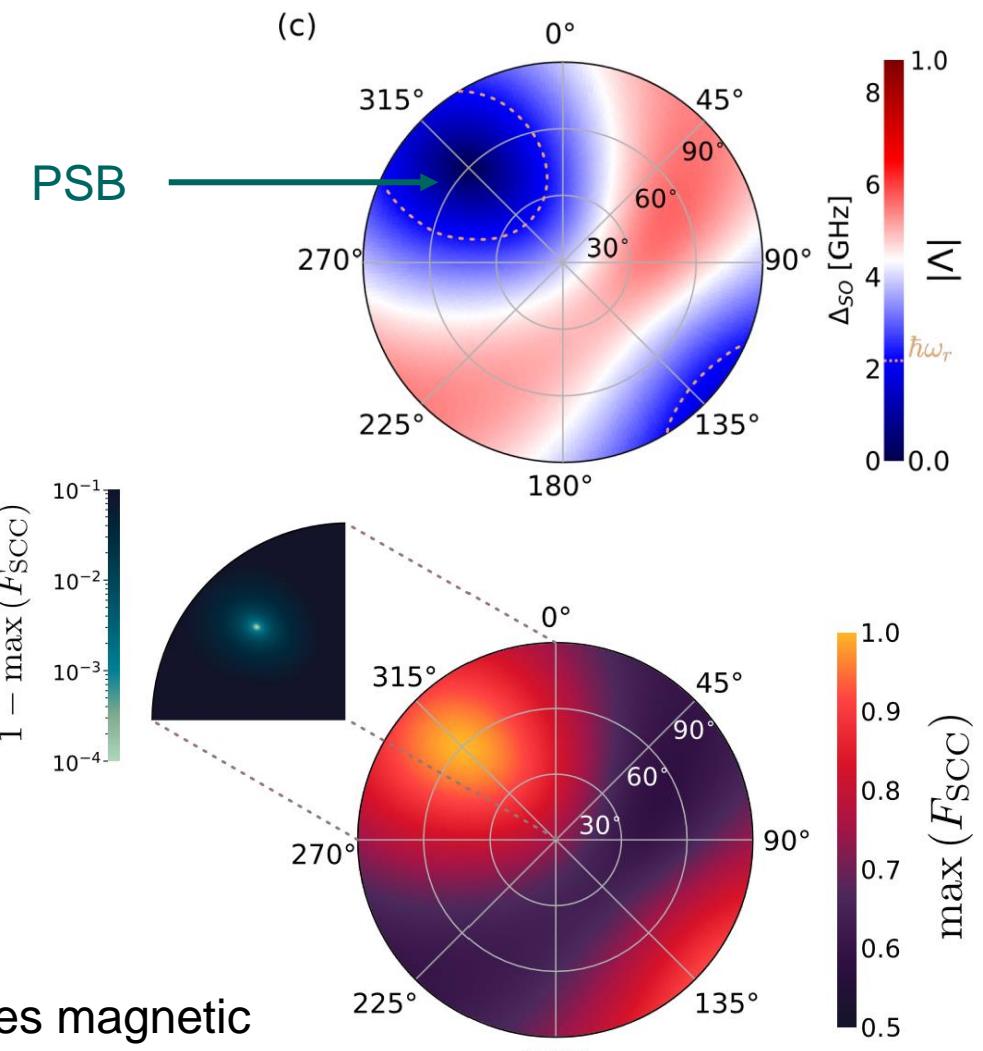
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Electrical readout: fidelity

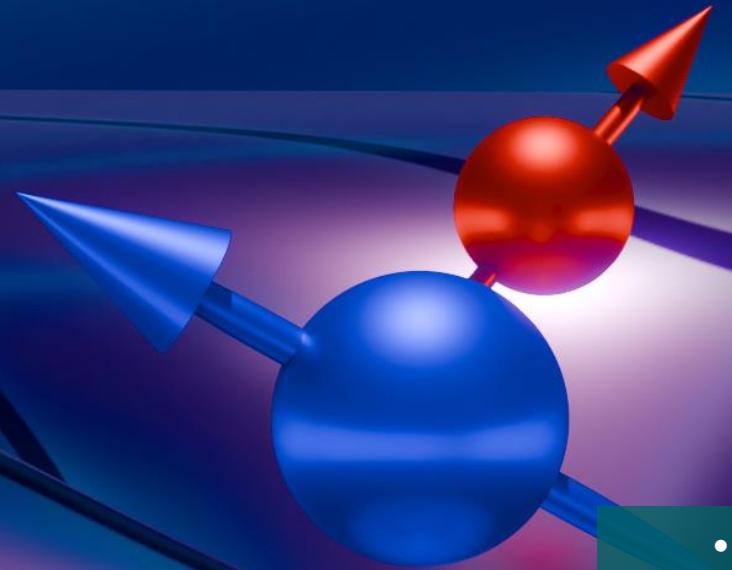


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F>99.9% requires magnetic field accuracy below 1°



Polarimetry with spins in the solid state



- Spin misalignment angle is a better parameter to describe SO in QDs
- SO-coupled DQDs are the natural extension of polarimetry to the third dimension
- Electrical readout fidelity is limited under SO coupling