Computation and Artificial Intelligence

Quantum Computing, Quantum Information Research





Areas of Research

- Nanotechnology, device physics
- Photodetection and quantum sensing
- Quantum computing, topological qubits
- Non-equilibrium, driven systems
- Superconductivity, proximity effects
- Low dimensional materials













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Quantum computing: Topological phases for faulttolerant, universal quantum computing.





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Transient phases of driven systems: Non-equilibrium response of pumped nanomaterials below the diffraction limit.





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Quantum Information and Quantum Control of Chemical Reactions

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Areas of Expertise

- Ultracold Molecules
- Ultracold Quantum Engineered Chemistry
- Quantum control of chemical reactions
- Geometric phase effect in chemistry
- Stereodynamic control of chemical reactions

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Chemical reaction pathway in ultracold K+KRb collisions. Quantum engineered KRb molecules have been prepared at 300 nK. Ultracold polar molecules such as KRb are potential candidates for quantum computing and quantum information processing.



Controlling reaction outcome through quantum interference



Right panel: The nature of the interference can be controlled by including "geometric phase". In the image on the right, inclusion of the geometric phase enhances the reactivity. The geometric phase (that correctly describes the sign of the wave function near a conical intersection with an excited electronic state) acts as a "quantum switch" (Hazra, Balakrishnan, and Kendrick, J. Phys. A **119**, 12291 (2015) Left panel: Two paths for a chemical reaction. These two paths can interfere constructively or destructively, maximizing or minimizing the reaction rate. This quantum effect becomes magnified in the ultracold regime (Kendrick, Hazra, and Balakrishnan, Nature Comm. **6**, 7918 (2015).



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ultrafast spectroscopy



Tracing detection



nonlinear spectroscopy





Communication



Atomic clock



Laser stabilization



Laser cooling



Figures are from multiple references

Revealing mechanisms of universe evolutions by studying cold ionradical reactions





- Chain reactions
- Radiative association
- Tunneling resonances
- Collisional resonances
- Discrepancies of reaction dynamics between chemical physics labs and astronomical observatories

Parameters	Expected specifications
Interaction arm length	30 cm
Ion beam velocity	0-1000 m/s
Collision energy range	<0.1 meV to >100 meV
Energy resolution	<0.1 meV
Effective reaction duration	1 s
Detection sensitivity	1 x 10 ⁻¹⁶ cm ⁻³ s ⁻¹



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Research Expertise and Activities

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- Topics include remote sensing of the thermosphere, matter-anti-matter interactions, QED, radiative and nonradiative charge transfer in hot plasmas, atomic processes in the early universe, ultra-cold physics, geometric phase and magnetism, quantum computing and information



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