

# Entanglement swapping with artificial atoms

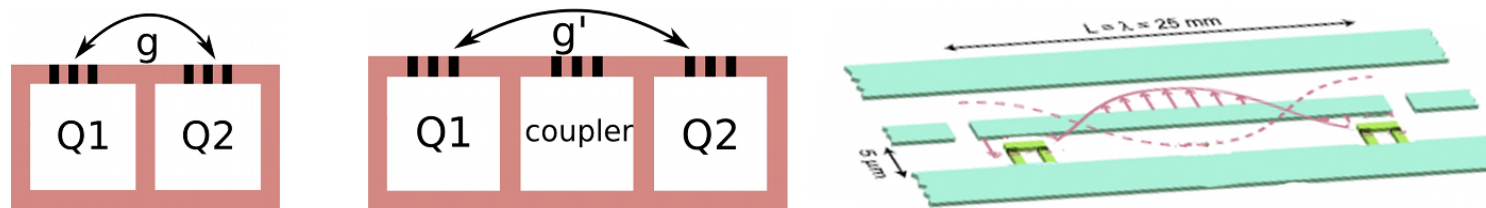
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# Motivation

- Qubits, the building blocks of a future quantum computer, become useful when quantum communication between them (entanglement) can be established
- Entanglement plays a crucial role in quantum information processing e.g. teleportation protocol, quantum cryptography
- Entanglement of solid states qubits usually is achieved when direct or indirect interaction between the qubits exists.



- We discuss a method of entangling *non-interacting* (distant) artificial atoms using the entanglement swapping scheme.

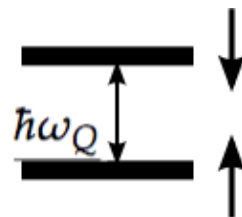
# Artificial atoms

Artificial atoms, are made up of more than one atom, but are like single atoms in one important way: when you provide the right amount (or quanta) of energy, they will give off coloured light.

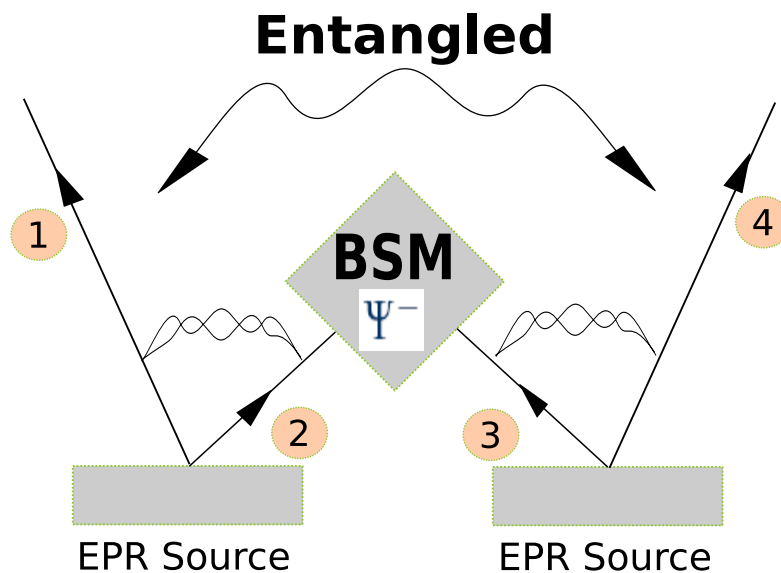
Nanometer-scale *boxes* in which the electrons are forced to exist at specific, discrete energy levels

- quantum dots
- superconducting circuits (charge qubits)  
(resonance fluorescence experiment , O. Astafiev et al. Science **327**, 840 (2010))
- non-superconducting quantum ring qubits

artificial atom  $\rightarrow$  2-level system  $\rightarrow$  qubit



# Entanglement swapping



*M. Żukowski et al. PRL **71**, 4287, (1993)*

- As far: on photons (*J-W. Pan et al. PRL **80**, 18, (1998)*), atoms (*Moehring et al. Nature **449**, 2007*), quantum dots (*Barret et al. PRA **71**, 2005*)

$$\left( \begin{array}{c} \text{R} \\ \hline \text{Q} \\ \hline \end{array} \right) \quad H_{QR} = \frac{\hbar\omega_Q}{2}\sigma_z + \hbar\omega_R \left( a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2} \right) - \hbar g \left( a\sigma_+ + a^\dagger\sigma_- \right)$$

Resonant case ( $\omega_R = \omega_Q$ , number of photons  $n = 0, 1$ )

- One excitation in the system being coherently exchanged between the qubit and the cavity
- Strong coupling limit  $g > \kappa_Q, \gamma_R$

# Time evolution

**The initial state:**  $|\psi(0)\rangle = |\downarrow 0\rangle_1 \otimes |\uparrow 1\rangle_2$  - separable

$$R_1 \left( \begin{array}{c} \overline{Q_1} \\ \downarrow \\ \uparrow \end{array} \right) \quad R_2 \left( \begin{array}{c} \overline{Q_2} \\ \downarrow \\ \uparrow \end{array} \right)$$

The time evolution of the system is generated by the Hamiltonian  $H_{QR}$ :

$$|\psi(t)\rangle_1 = e^{-i\omega_{R_1}t} (\cos(g_1t)|\downarrow 0\rangle - i \sin(g_1t)|\uparrow 1\rangle),$$

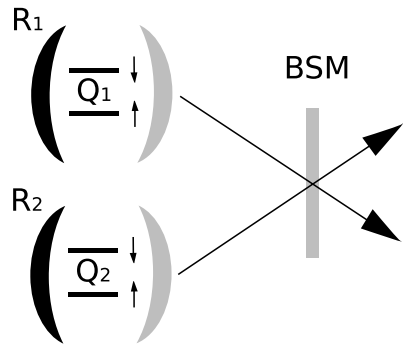
$$|\psi(t)\rangle_2 = e^{-i\omega_{R_2}t} (-i \sin(g_2t)|\downarrow 0\rangle + \cos(g_2t)|\uparrow 1\rangle)$$

The  $(QR)_i$  state  $|\Psi(t)\rangle_i$  is entangled for  $g_it \neq m\frac{\pi}{2}$ ,  $m$  integer

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = |\psi(t)\rangle_1 \otimes |\psi(t)\rangle_2$$

# Bell measurement

We perform the Bell state measurement (BSM) on photons leaving the cavity



$$|\tilde{\psi}(t')\rangle = |\psi^-\rangle_{RR} \langle \psi^- | \psi(t') \rangle$$

$$|\psi^-\rangle_R = 1/\sqrt{2} (|01\rangle - |10\rangle)$$

After the BSM

$$|\Psi(t')\rangle = |\Psi^-\rangle_R \otimes |QQ(t')\rangle$$

$$|QQ(t')\rangle = e^{-i(\omega_{R_1} + \omega_{R_2})t'} [\cos(g_1 t') \cos(g_2 t') |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle + \sin(g_1 t') \sin(g_2 t') |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle]$$

and the density matrix  $\rho_{QQ}(t') = \frac{|QQ\rangle\langle QQ|}{\text{Tr}(|QQ\rangle\langle QQ|)}$

- Linear entropy

$$S_L = 1 - \text{Tr} \left[ (\rho_1)^2 \right],$$

$$\rho_1 = \text{Tr}_2 (\rho_{1,2})$$

$S_L = 0$  for disentangled , 0.5 for maximally entangled pure states

- Negativity

$$N = (0, -\sum_i \lambda_i)$$

where  $\lambda_i$  are negative eigenvalues in respect of partial transposition.

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Both for pure and mixed states.



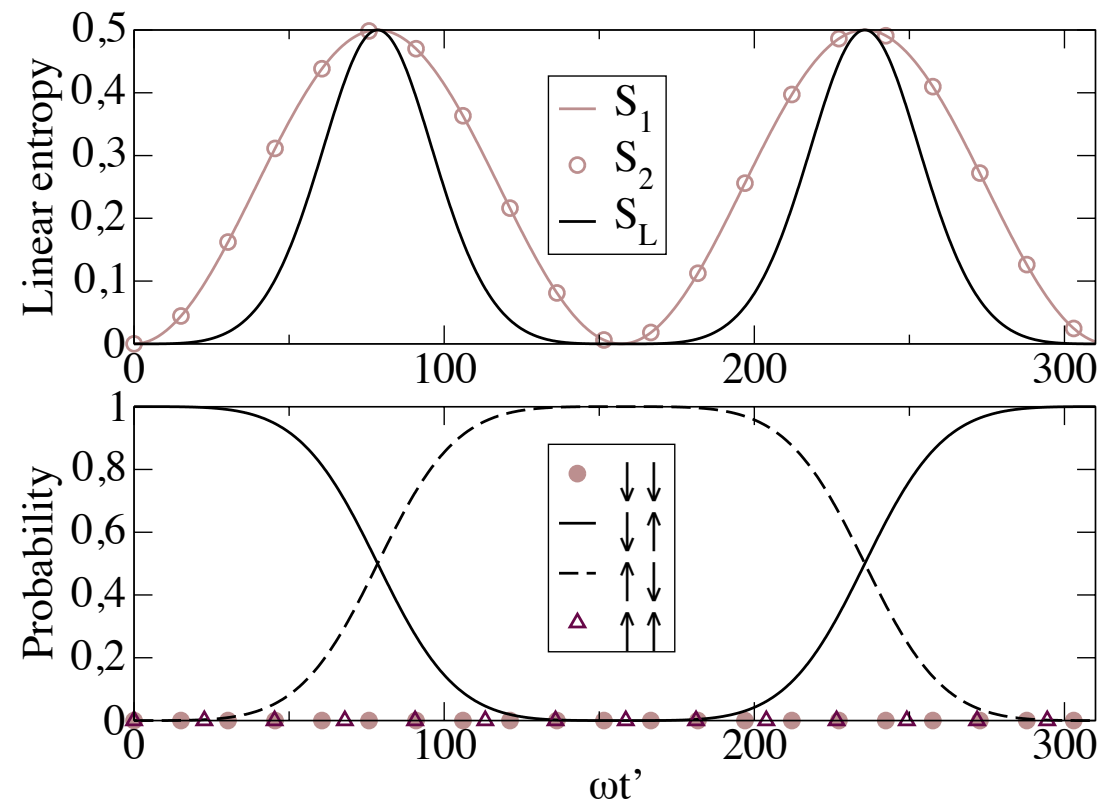
# Results A $|\Psi(0)\rangle = |\downarrow 0\rangle \otimes |\uparrow 1\rangle$

$$S_L = 1 - \frac{\cos^4(g_1 t') \cos^4(g_2 t) + \sin^4(g_1 t') \sin^4(g_2 t')}{(\text{Tr}[\rho_{QQ}])^2},$$

$$\text{Tr}[\rho_{QQ}] = \cos^2(g_1 t') \cos^2(g_2 t') + \sin^2(g_1 t') \sin^2(g_2 t')$$

$$g_1 = g_2 = 0.01\omega_R$$

$$S_L = 2P_{\downarrow\uparrow}P_{\uparrow\downarrow}$$



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# Results B $|\Psi(0)\rangle = |\downarrow 0\rangle \otimes |\downarrow 0\rangle$

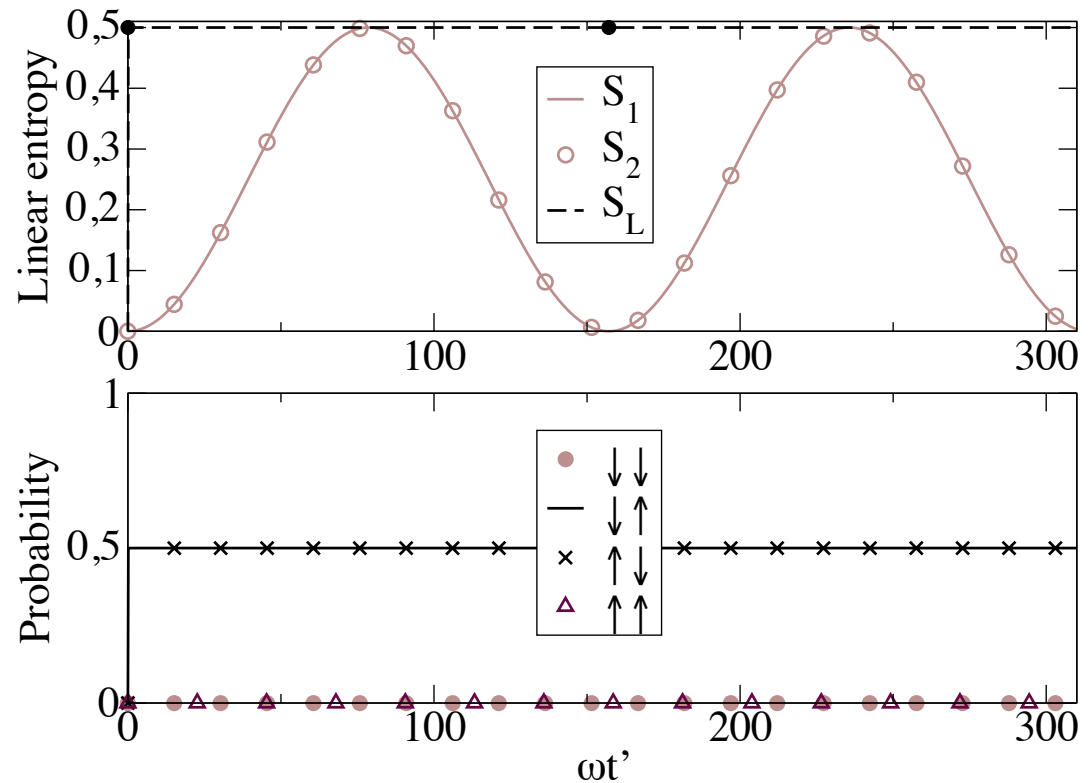
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$$g_1 = g_2 = g$$

$$g = 0.01\omega_R, 2gt' \neq \pi/2$$

$$S_L = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\sin(2gt')}{\sin(2gt')} \right)^4 = \frac{1}{2}$$



# General results

$$|\Psi^\pm\rangle = 1/\sqrt{2} (|01\rangle \pm |10\rangle)$$

$$|\Phi^\pm\rangle = 1/\sqrt{2} (|00\rangle \pm |11\rangle)$$

$ \Psi(0)\rangle$	$S_L^{\Psi^\pm}$	$S_L^{\Phi^\pm}$
$ \downarrow 0\rangle_1 \otimes  \uparrow 1\rangle_2$ $ \uparrow 1\rangle_1 \otimes  \downarrow 0\rangle_2$	$2 \left(\frac{\alpha\beta}{\zeta}\right)^2$	$2 \left(\frac{\gamma\delta}{\eta}\right)^2$
$ \downarrow 0\rangle_1 \otimes  \downarrow 0\rangle_2$ $ \uparrow 1\rangle_1 \otimes  \uparrow 1\rangle_2$	$2 \left(\frac{\gamma\delta}{\eta}\right)^2$	$2 \left(\frac{\alpha\beta}{\zeta}\right)^2$

$$\alpha = \cos(g_1 t) \cos(g_2 t), \quad \beta = \sin(g_1 t') \sin(g_2 t'),$$

$$\gamma = \cos(g_1 t') \sin(g_2 t'), \quad \delta = \sin(g_1 t') \cos(g_2 t'),$$

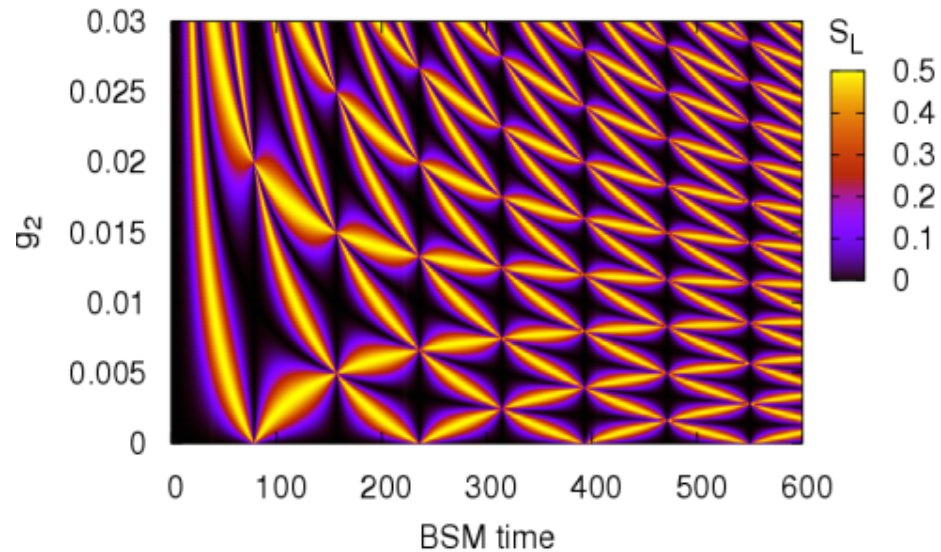
$$\zeta = \cos^2(g_1 t') \cos^2(g_2 t') + \sin^2(g_1 t') \sin^2(g_2 t'),$$

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$$S_L = 2 \left( \frac{\alpha\beta}{\zeta} \right)^2, \quad |\Psi(0)\rangle = |\downarrow 0\rangle |\uparrow 1\rangle$$

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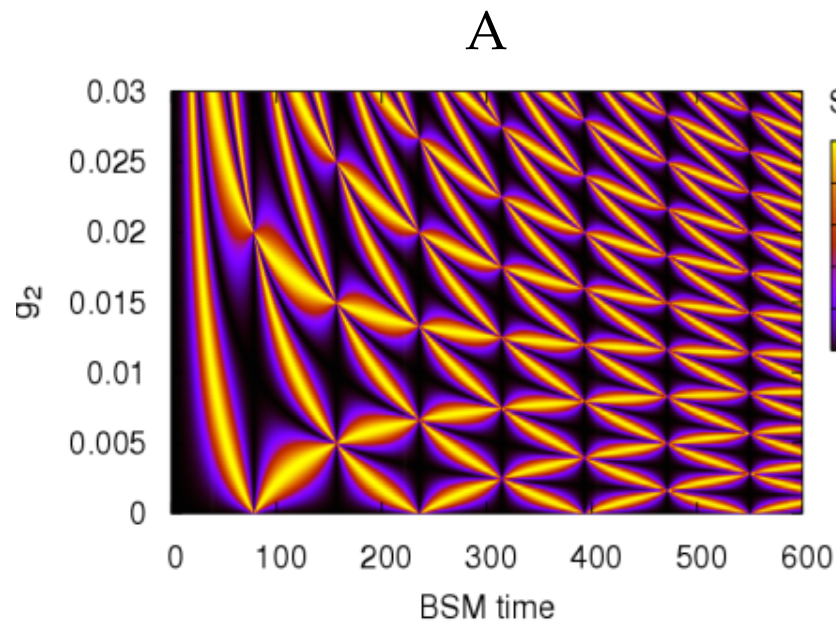
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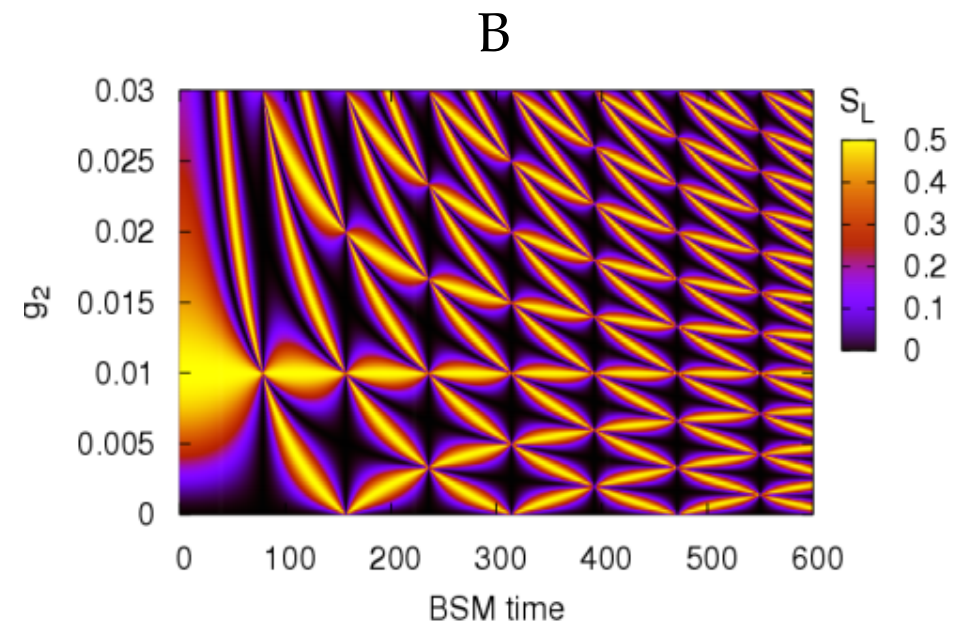
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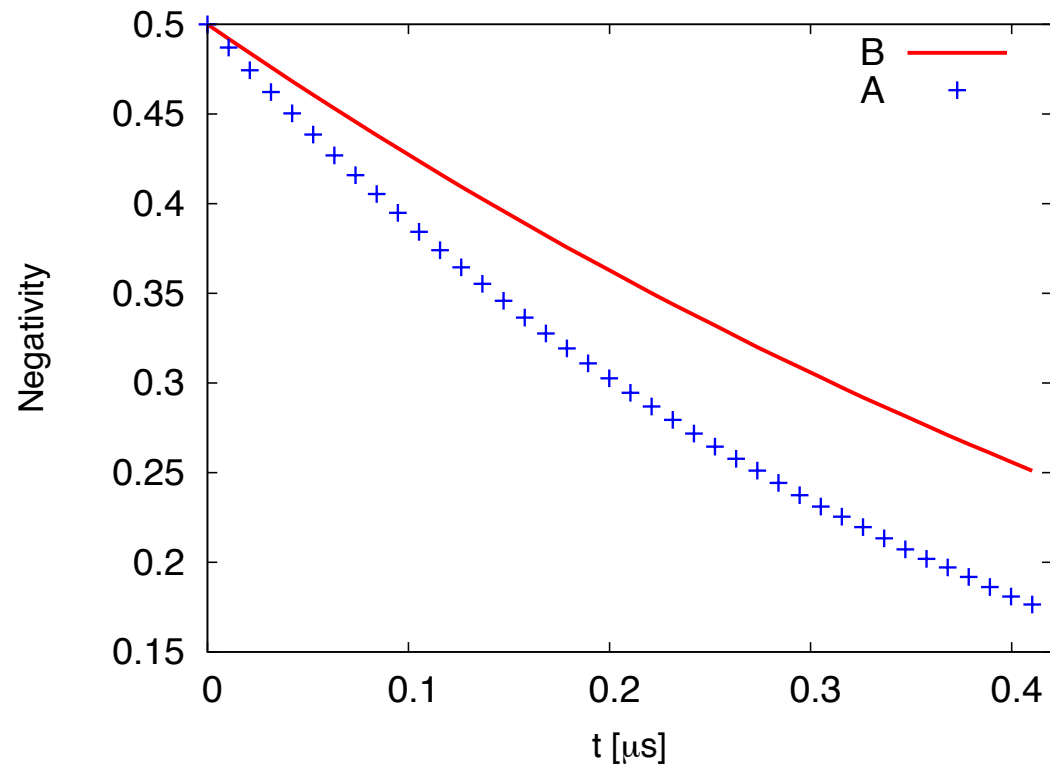
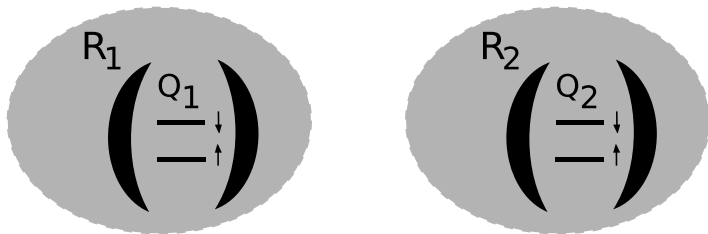
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# Decoherence

$$\dot{\rho}(t) = -i/\hbar[H_{sys}, \rho(t)] - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=\{\kappa, \gamma\}} (L_k^\dagger L_k \rho(t) + \rho(t) L_k^\dagger L_k - 2L_k \rho(t) L_k^\dagger)$$

$$L_\kappa = \sqrt{\kappa} \sigma^-, \quad L_\gamma = \sqrt{\gamma} a, \quad T_Q \sim 1 \mu s, \quad T_R \sim 0.3 \mu s$$



# Conclusions

- The ability to entangle distant qubits that never interacted before
- The result of swapping is sensitive to the initial states and projectors, some configurations are favorable
- Possibility of entangling qubits in large registers

