

Wave function anatomy of ultracold fermions in a double well: Wigner-molecules, attractive-pairing, and entanglement

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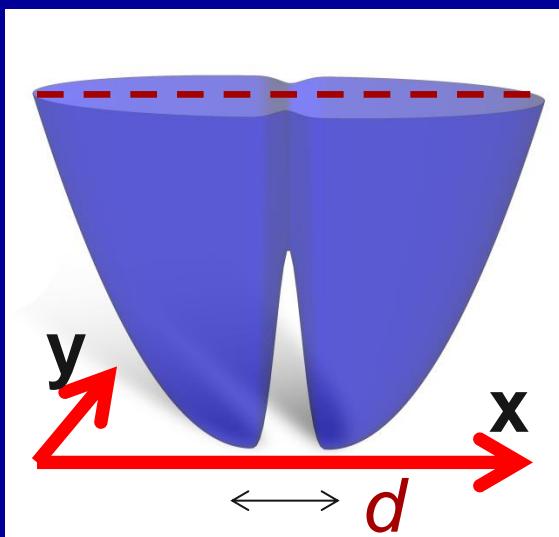
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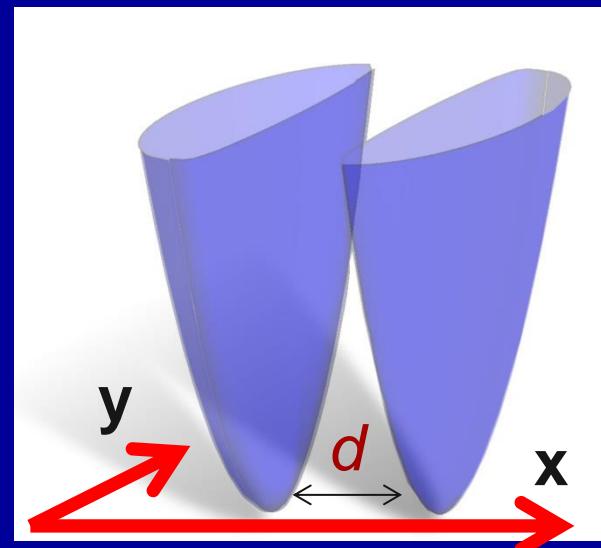
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$2\ ^6\text{Li}$ ATOMS IN A DOUBLE OPTICAL TRAP

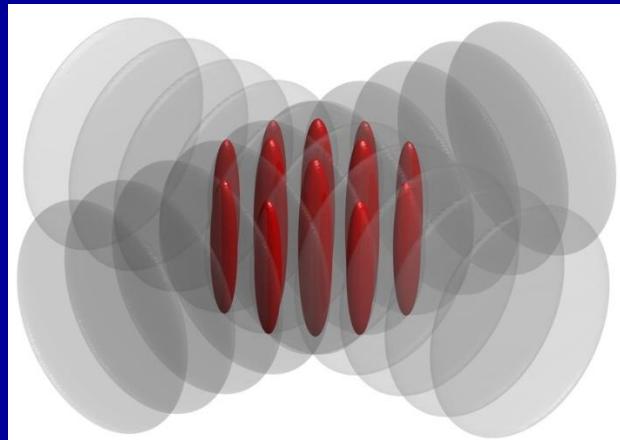
Linear arrangement (LI) Parallel arrangement (PA)



Strictly 1D



2D aspects



Experimental
depictions of
1D
optical traps



2D Many-Body exact diagonalization/ Configuration Interaction (CI)

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{MB}} = \sum_{i=1}^N H(i) + \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j>i}^N g_{2D} \delta(\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j)$$

$$\Phi_{N,q}^{\text{CI}}(\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N) = \sum_I C_I^q \Psi_I^N(\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N)$$

Slater determinants:

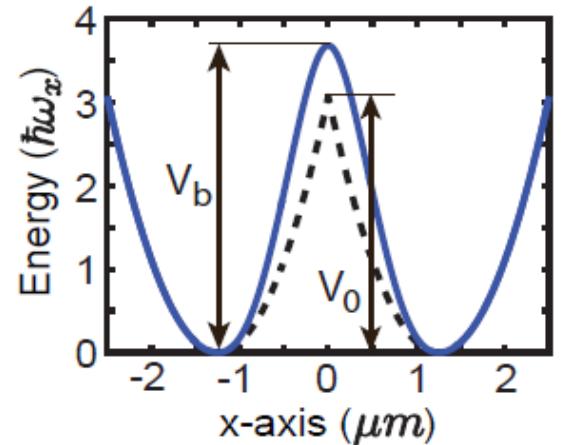
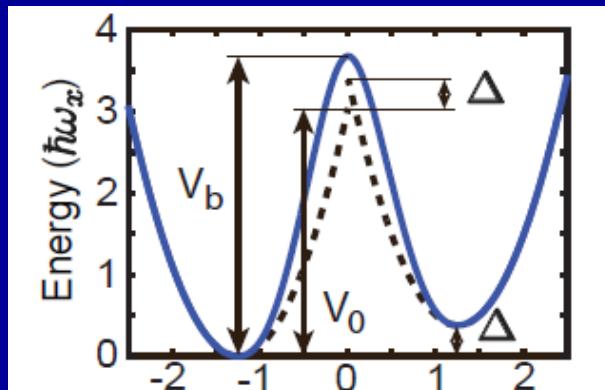
$$\Psi_I^N = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} \begin{vmatrix} \chi_{j_1}(\mathbf{r}_1) & \dots & \chi_{j_N}(\mathbf{r}_1) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \chi_{j_1}(\mathbf{r}_N) & \dots & \chi_{j_N}(\mathbf{r}_N) \end{vmatrix}$$

Spin orbitals: $\chi_j(x, y) = \varphi_j(x, y)\alpha(\beta)$

$$g_{2D} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\mathbf{r}_1 d\mathbf{r}_2 \varphi_i^*(\mathbf{r}_1) \varphi_j^*(\mathbf{r}_2) \delta(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2) \varphi_k(\mathbf{r}_1) \varphi_l(\mathbf{r}_2)$$

Beyond Hubbard

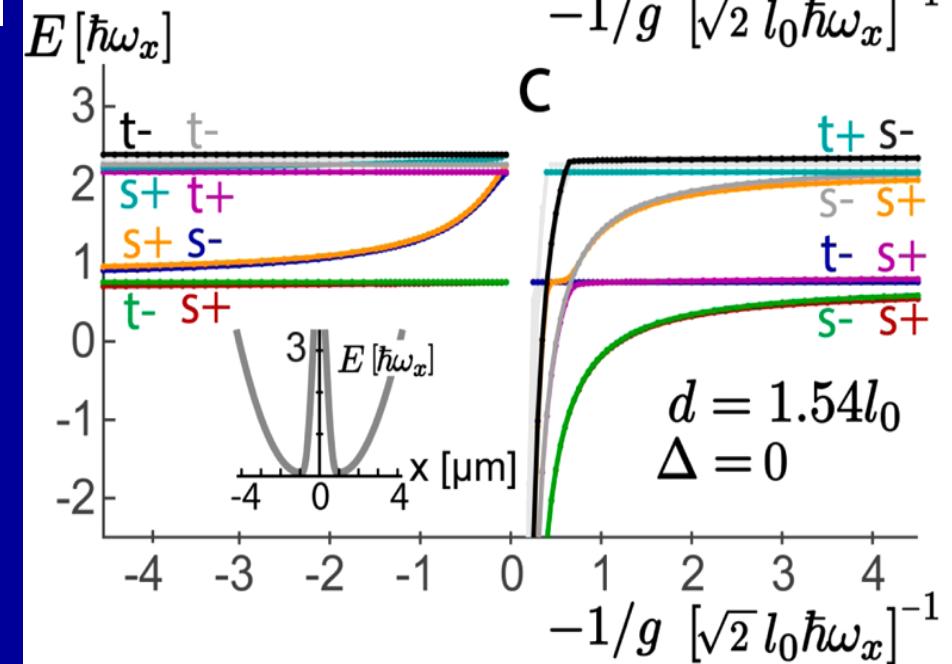
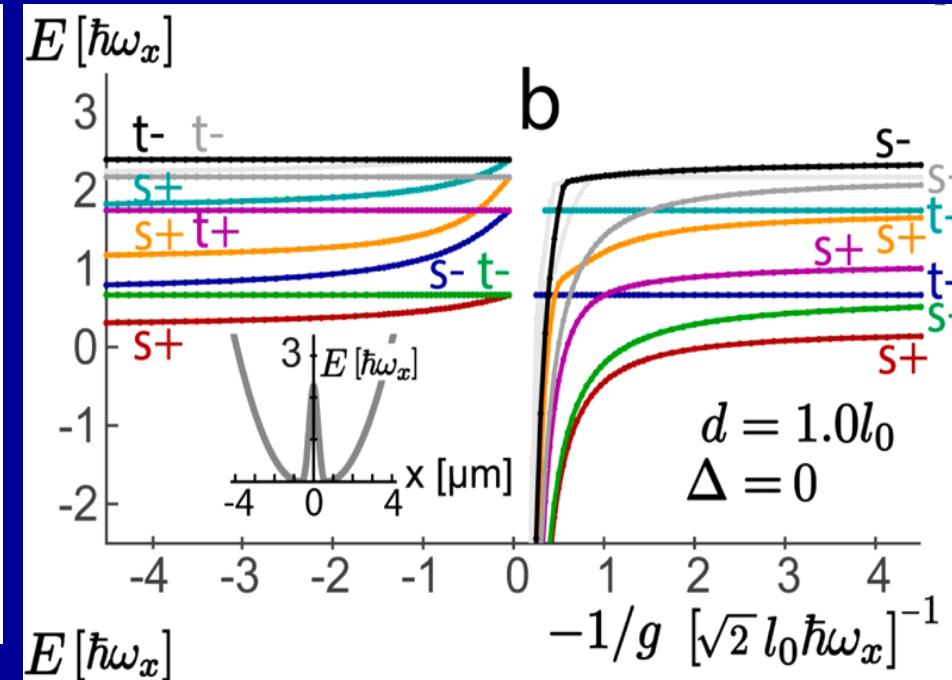
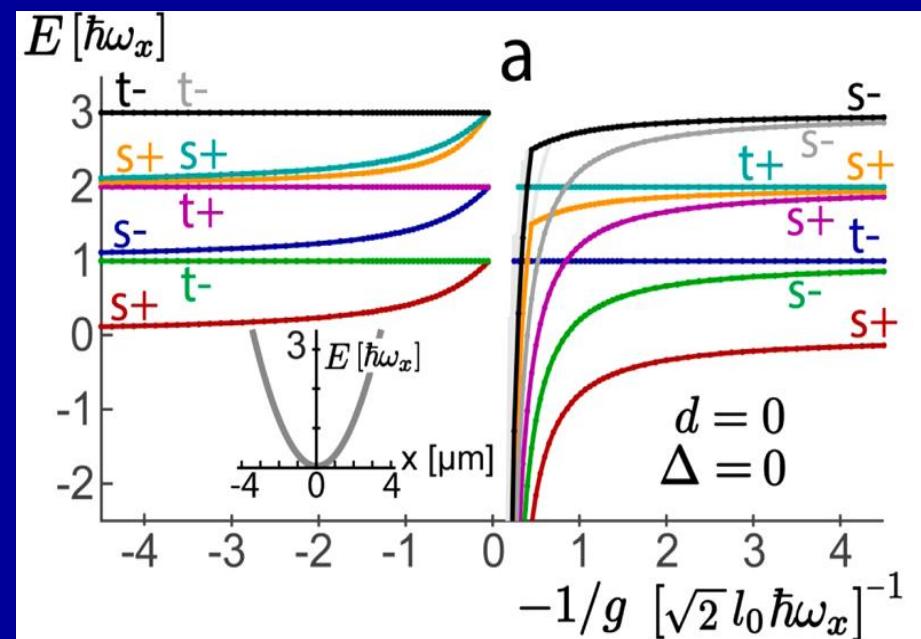
Single particle term
 $H(i) \rightarrow \text{TCO in } x$



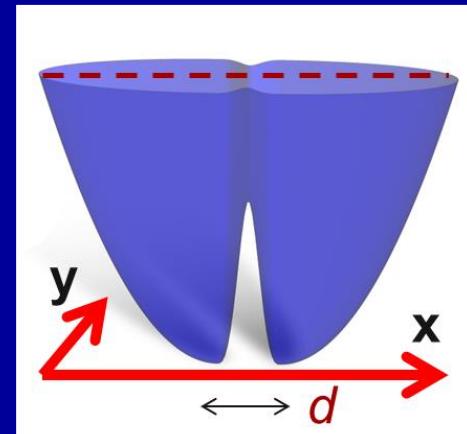
$H(i) \rightarrow \text{HO in } y$

1D

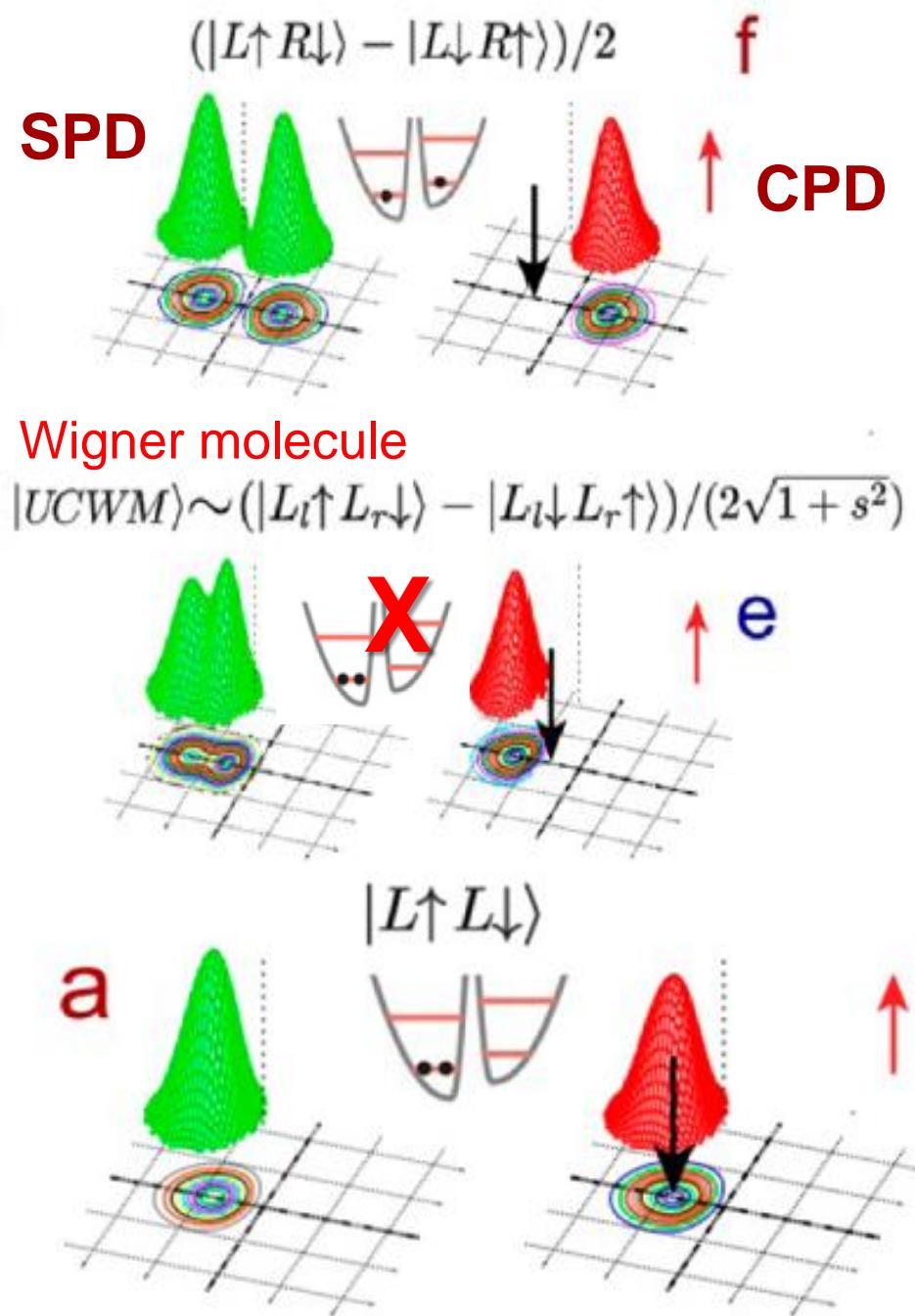
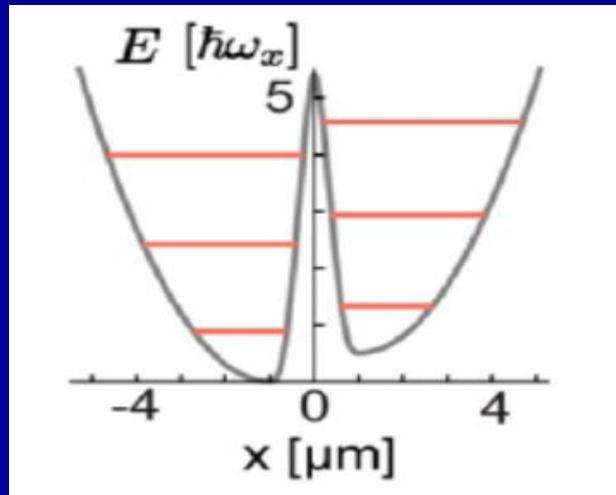
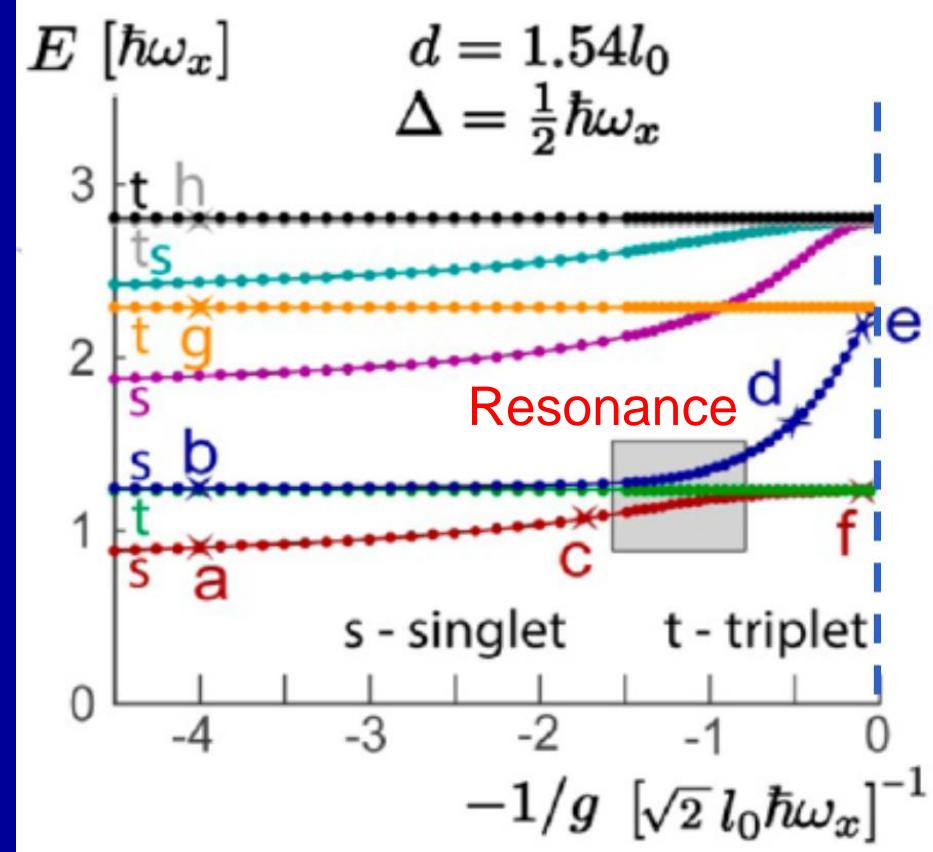
$$g = g_{2D} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} du [W(u)]^4$$



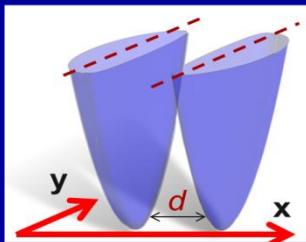
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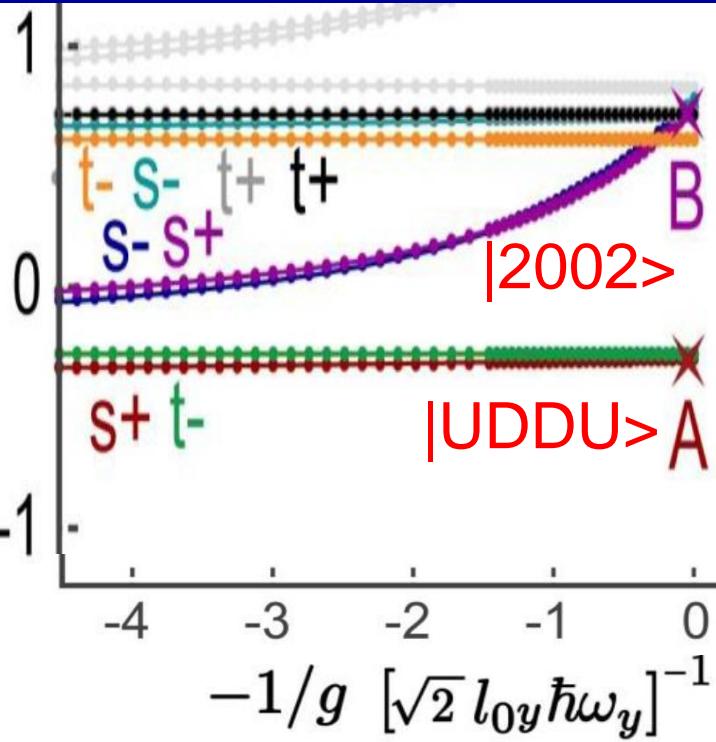
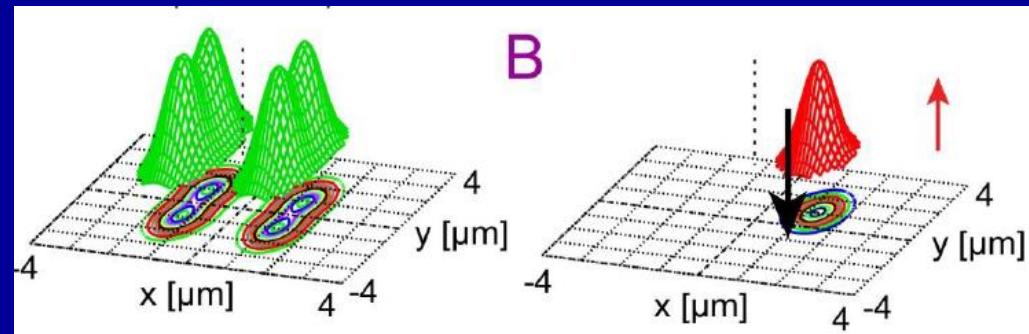
LIN
No Tilt
 $\Delta=0$



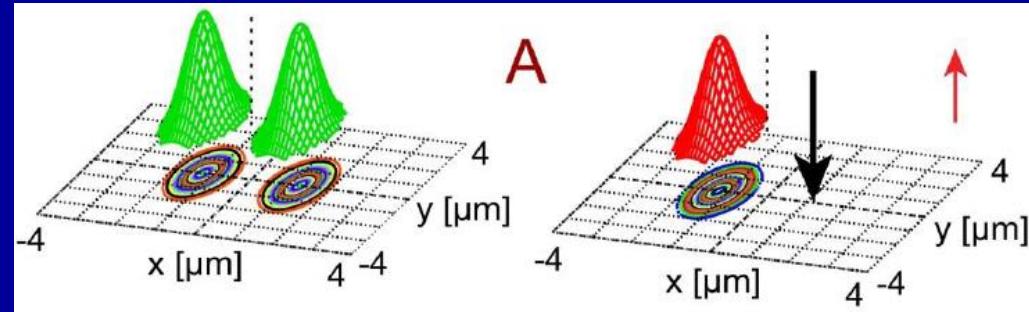
PARALLEL No tilt $\Delta=0$



Ultracold Wigner molecule (UCWM)
 $|2002\rangle$ state $|N00N\rangle$ / Entanglement

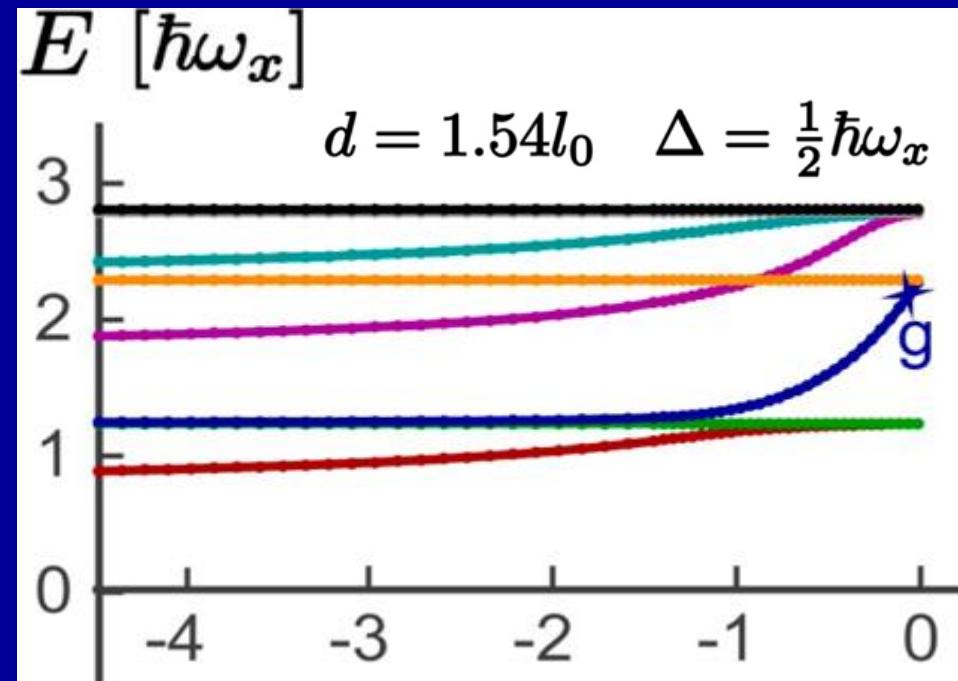


Heitler –London/ Hydrogen molecule
 $|IUP-DN-DN-UP\rangle$ spin/ Bell state



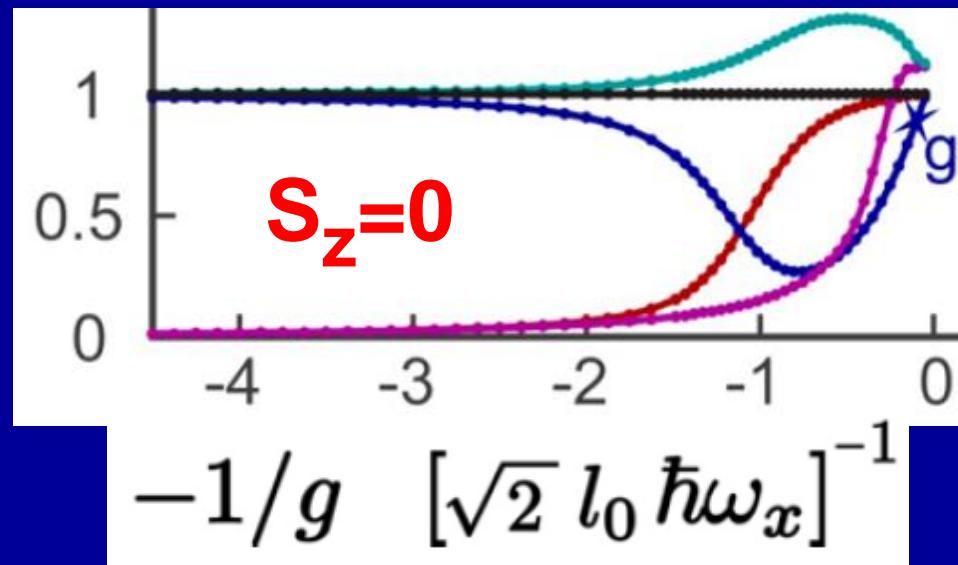
Quantifying Entanglement

LIN Tilt Δ



$$S_{\text{vN}} = -\text{Tr}(\rho \log_2 \rho) + C$$

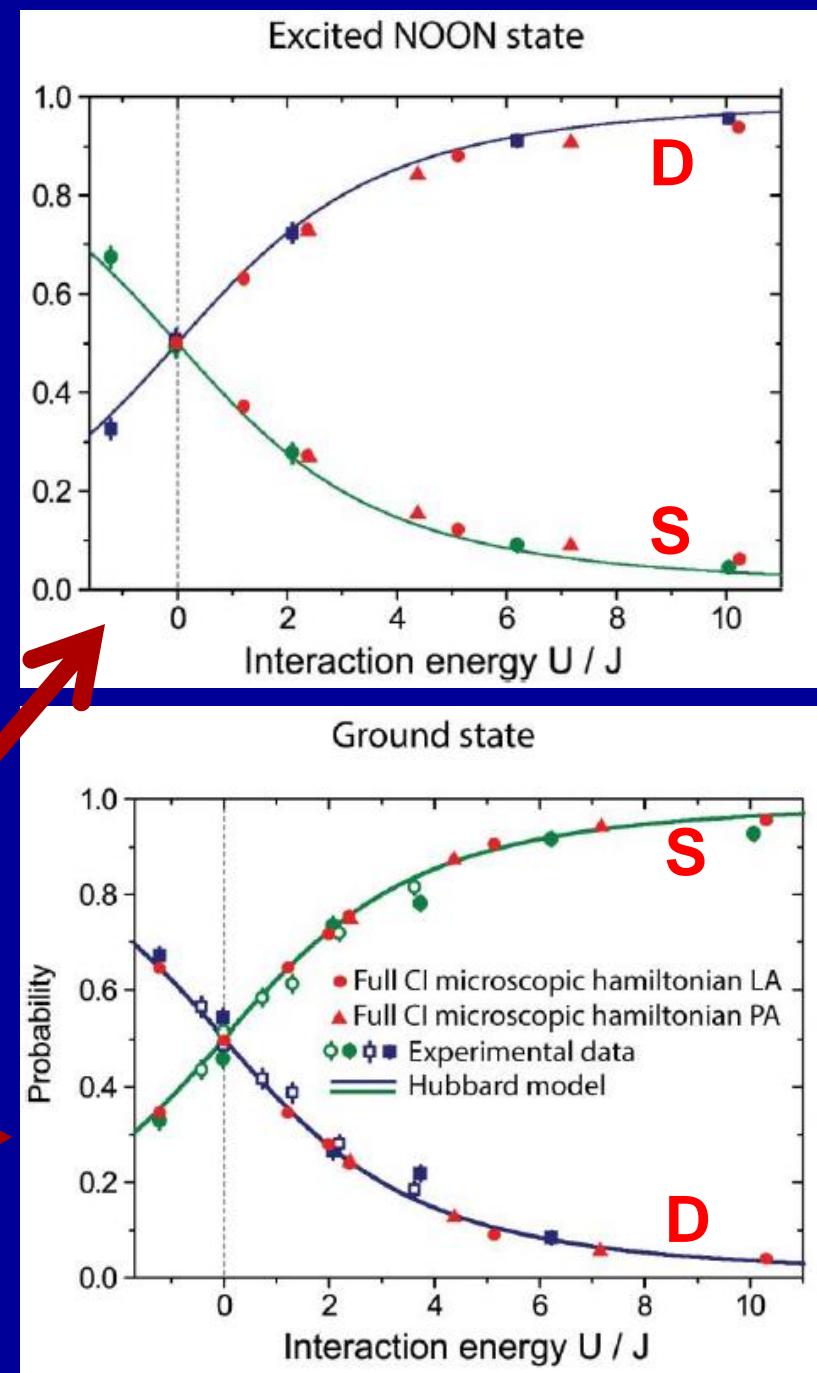
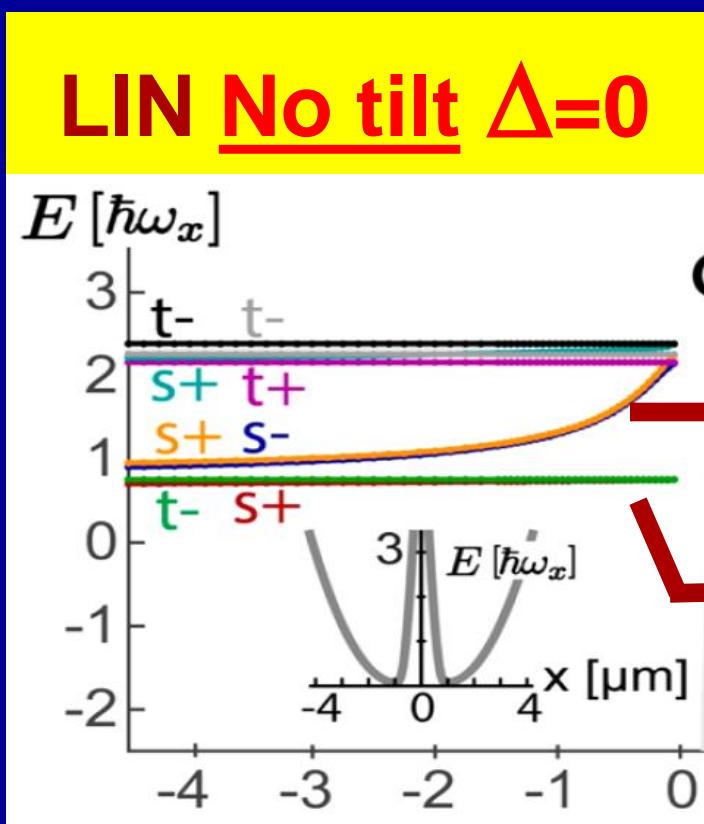
Von Neumann Entropy



A comparison with experiment:
S. Murmann et al.,
PRL 114, 080402 (2015)

Probability for Single (S)/Double(D)
occupancy in either well

Hubbard limit



Summary

We report exact benchmark configuration–interaction microscopic solutions of the many-body Hamiltonian, uncovering the full spectral evolution, wave function anatomy, and entanglement properties of the interacting fermions in the entire parameter range, including crossover from an Single Well to a Double Well confinement and a controllable energy imbalance tilt between the wells.