
Nitrogen-vacancy (NV) defect centers in diamond are a promising platform for room-temperature quantum computation. However, the coupling of individual NV qubits remains a challenge as the distances required for optical addressing are much larger than the typical interaction scales. We propose to realize long-range quantum gates through interactions with an intermediate NV spin ensemble. We show that engineering the many-body spin ensemble allows to achieve high-fidelity gates even in the presence of strong disorder [1].


Electron spin entanglement in diamond at room temperature — Florian Dolde1, Ingmar Jakob1, Boris Naydenov1,2, Sebastien Pezzagna1, Jan Meijer2, Christina Trautmann3, Philipp Neumann1, Fedor JeZeIko1, and Jörg Wrachtrup4,1.

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Remarkable charged centers (NV) in diamond are one of the most remarkable colour defect centres owing to their unique properties. The electron and nuclear spin state of a single NV can be initialized, read-out and manipulated even at room temperature. Moreover, NVs show very long electron spin coherence times, which make them ideal candidates for solid state quantum bits (qubits). Quantum register based on two coupled NVs has been already demonstrated [1], but due to short coherence times of that NVs, it was not possible to create entanglement.

Here we report the preparation of different entangled states between two NVs produced by nitrogen ion implantation in an isotopically purified diamond. The entangled state were used to conduct global phase measurements and an entanglement storage scheme using the intrinsic 15N nuclear spin was implemented [1].

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Realization of a fiber based microcavity for coupling a single NV center in diamond — Roland Albrecht1, Christian Deutsch2, Jakob Reichn1, Tim Schröder3, Andreas W. Schell1, Oliver Benson1, and Christoph Bichler1.

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We have realized cavities with a Finesse of up to 4000 and a mode volume of less than 150µm.


Microwave structures surrounding nano-fabricated solid-immersion lenses registered to single emitters in diamond on demand — Luca Marsigglia1, Florian Stribbel2, Andreas Häussler1, Boris Naydenov1, Jan Meijer2, and Fedor JeZeIko1.

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The negatively charged Nitrogen Vacancy colour centre (NV) is a spin active defect with a long spin lifetime at room temperature. It is a three level system which ground state spin can be efficiently readout and controlled at the single atom level. In addition, long coherence time associated with single spin in spin-free diamond lattice make this centre an excellent candidate as qubit for quantum information purpose. To the whole power of the NV the control we aim to have a microwave structures precisely positioned on the colour centre. Furthermore, in order to improve the optical detection of single spins we formerly developed a technique to fabricate solid immersion lenses (SILs), using Focus Ion Beam (FIB) system, that allows to avoid any refraction at the diamond-air interface. Using combination of lithography and FIB technologies we will create a microwave circuit surrounding the SIL, previously etched and coupled to the colour centre in the diamond on demand. This allows us to increase the collection of the light from the NV centre and in the same time to drive the splitting of its ground state, in a precise, scalable integrated way.

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Single Pr3+ ion in yttrium aluminum garnet (YAG) nanocrystals — Roman Kolesov1, Kangwei Xia1, Rolf Reuters1, Rainer Stöhr1, Jan Meijer2, Heimer Philip1, and Joerg Wrachtrup1,2,3.

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Quantum dot resonance fluorescence provides direct access to resonantly generated photons and has proven to be a useful technique in recent years for studying self-assembled QD spin dynamics [1-2]. Taking advantage of the optical selection rules of QD transitions and linear optical elements we achieve a signal to background ratio exceeding 1000 when driving a transition at saturation. We proceed to study the coherence of QD resonance fluorescence directly via first-order correlation measurements and via spectral measurements over six orders of magnitude in excitation power.

While first-order correlations reveal a marked dephasing dependence on the excitation power in the limit of strongly dressed states, we recover the properties of textbook atomic systems in the low power limit, where emission is dominated by elastic scattering [3]. Here, the single photons emitted by the QD are no longer restricted to obey the T2<2T1 relationship and show coherence times of tens of nanoseconds, ultimately limited by laser coherence. Applications of elastic scattering to shaping spectra of single photons will be discussed.


Cooperative Emission in Transport Setting through a Quantum Dot — Martin J. A. Schuetz, Eric M. Kessler, Geza Giedke, and Juan Ignacio Cirac — Max-Planck-Institut für Quantenoptik, Hans-Kopfermann-Str. 1, D-85748 Garching, Germany

We theoretically show that intriguing features of coherent many-body physics can be observed in electron transport through a quantum dot (QD). In particular, we show that electron transport in the Pauli-blockade regime is coherently enhanced by hyperfine interaction with the nuclear spin ensemble in the QD. For an initially polarized nuclear system this leads to a strong current peak in close analogy with superradiant emission of photons from atomic ensembles. This effect could be observed with realistic experimental parameters and would provide clear evidence of coherent HF dynamics of nuclear spin ensembles in QDs.

Magnetic Strong Coupling of an Ensemble of NV- Defect Centers to a Superconducting Resonator — Christian Koller, Robert Amsüss, Andreas Maier, Tobias Nöbauer, Stefan Putz, Jörg Schmiedmayer, and Johannes Majer — Vienna Center for Quantum Science and Technology, Atominstitut, TU Wien, Vienna, Austria

Reversible transfer of quantum information between long-lived memories and quantum processors is a favorable building block of scalable quantum information devices. We present recent experimental results of strong coupling between an ensemble of nitrogen-vacancy center electron spins in diamond and a superconducting microwave coplanar waveguide resonator [1]. Although the coupling between a single spin and the electromagnetic field is typically rather weak, collective enhancement allows entering the strong coupling regime. We are able to directly observe this characteristic scaling of the collective coupling strength with the square root of the number of emitters. Additionally, we measured the hyperfine coupling to 13C nuclear spins, which is a first step towards a nuclear ensemble quantum memory. We measured the relaxation time T1 of the NV center at millikelvin temperatures. In addition we will present recent results using novel lumped element resonators. [1] Amsüss et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 107, 060502 (2011)