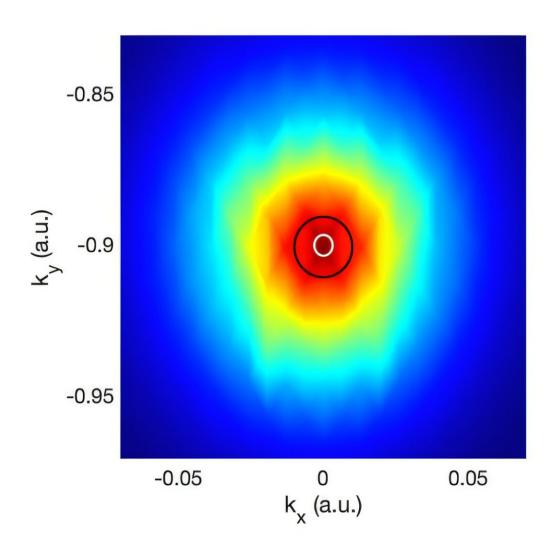
Light-matter interaction reveals new paradigm of quantum information technology

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The population of an excitonic state in 2D momentum space. The intensity in the white circled area is used for evaluating FLL and an average value over the black

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A research team led by Professor Jaedong Lee from the Department of Chemical Physics of DGIST has introduced a novel quantum state and a pioneering mechanism for extracting and controlling quantum information using exciton and Floquet states.

Collaborating with Professor Noejung Park from UNIST's Department of Physics, the team has, for the first time, demonstrated the formation and synthesis process of exciton and Floquet states, which arise from light-matter interactions in two-dimensional semiconductors.

The study, <u>published</u> in *Nano Letters* in October, captures quantum information in real-time as it unfolds through entanglement, offering valuable insights into the exciton formation process in these materials, thereby advancing quantum information technology.

Unlike traditional three-dimensional solids, where <u>quantum coherence</u> is challenging to maintain owing to thermal influences, two-dimensional semiconductors feature energy levels for excitons and conduction bands that remain distinct owing to weaker screening effects, thus preserving coherence over extended periods.

This distinction makes two-dimensional semiconductors promising for developing quantum information devices. Yet, until now, the coherence and decoherence mechanisms of electrons during exciton formation have been poorly understood.

Through theoretical calculations using time-resolved angular-resolved photoelectron spectroscopy on two-dimensional semiconductor

materials, Professor Lee's team confirmed that exciton formation coincides with the creation of a Floquet state, producing a combined new quantum state.

Additionally, they identified the mechanism by which <u>quantum</u> <u>entanglement</u> occurs within this state and proposed a <u>real-time</u> method to extract, unfold, and control quantum information.

Professor Jaedong Lee, of DGIST's Department of Chemical Physics, said, "We have discovered a new quantum state, known as the exciton-Floquet synthesis state, and proposed a novel mechanism for quantum entanglement and quantum information extraction. This is anticipated to drive forward quantum information technology research in two-dimensional semiconductors."

UNIST's Professor Noejung Park added, "This research sets a new paradigm for <u>quantum information</u> technology, including quantum computers, marking an important milestone for its realization."

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