

Sikorski and Merkt Reply: Collective modes as suggested by Que in his Comment¹ are not of importance for the far-infrared resonances of our samples. Coulomb coupling between individual dots in our arrays is strongly suppressed by the metal Schottky gate which is in close proximity to the electron dots.² Our observation that the resonance frequency does not depend on electron number^{2,3} is essentially described by a recent theorem of Brey, Johnson, and Halperin⁴ that also applies to quantum dots in a parabolic confining potential.

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