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Entanglement of two strongly correlated electrons in a lateral quantum dot¹ CONSTANTINE YANNOULEAS, UZI LANDMAN, Georgia Institute of Technology — Exact-diagonalization calculations for two electrons in an elliptic lateral quantum dot show that the electrons can localize and form a molecular dimer even for screened interelectron repulsion. The calculated singlet-triplet splitting (J) as a function of the magnetic field (B) agrees with cotunneling measurements;² its behavior reflects the effective dissociation³ of the electron dimer for large B. Knowledge of the dot shape and of J(B) allows determination of two measures of entanglement (concurrence and von Neumann entropy for *indistinguish-able* fermions), whose behavior correlates also with the dissociation of the dimer. The theoretical value for the concurrence at B = 0 agrees with the experimental estimates.

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