

Digital coherent control of a superconducting qubit

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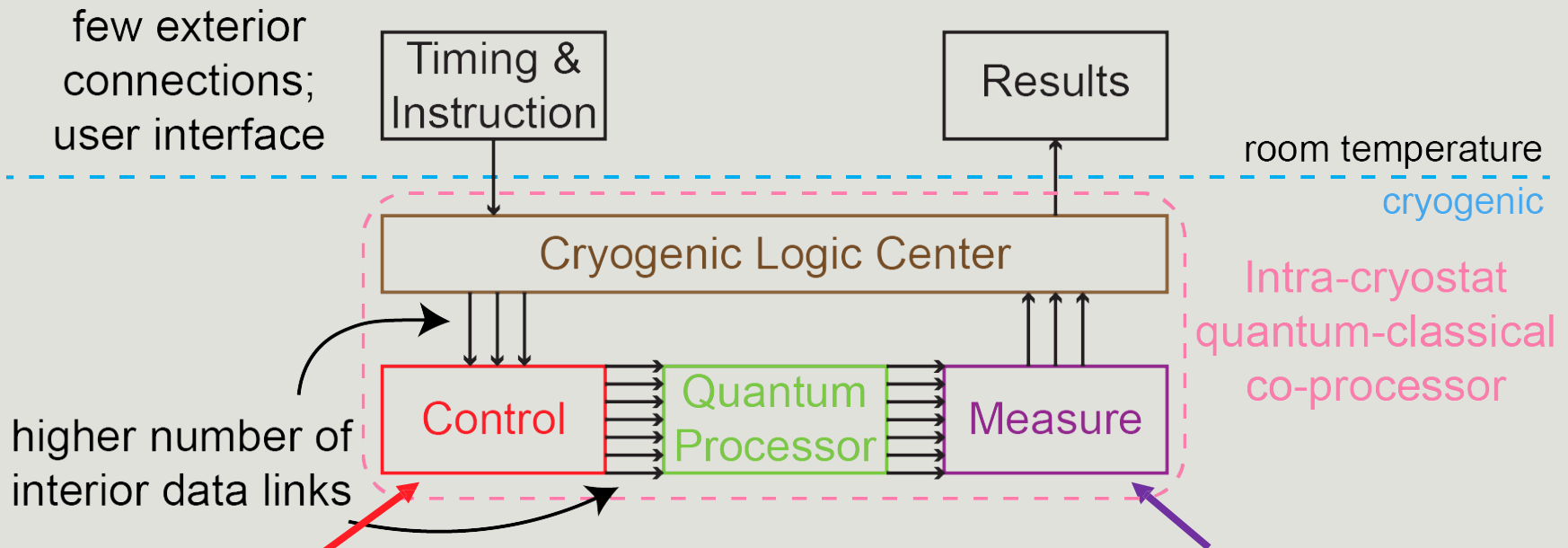
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The Vision



- ❖ SFQ a natural candidate
- ❖ Control and feedback with lower latency
- ❖ Reduced wiring overhead and heat load from 300 K
- ❖ Smaller overall system footprint in both size and power

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Phys. Rev. Appl. **11**,
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A. Opremcak *et al.*, *Science* **341**: 6408 (2018)

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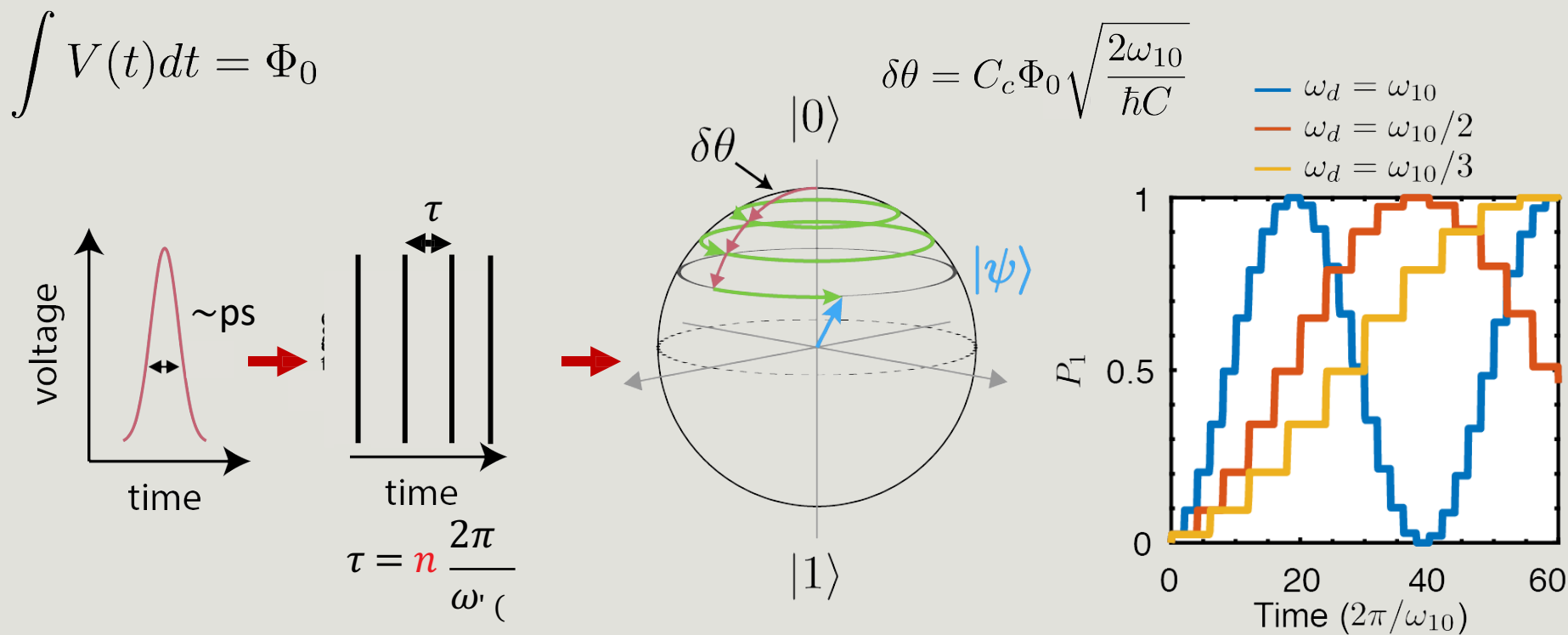
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Resonant SFQ Pulse Trains for Rotations



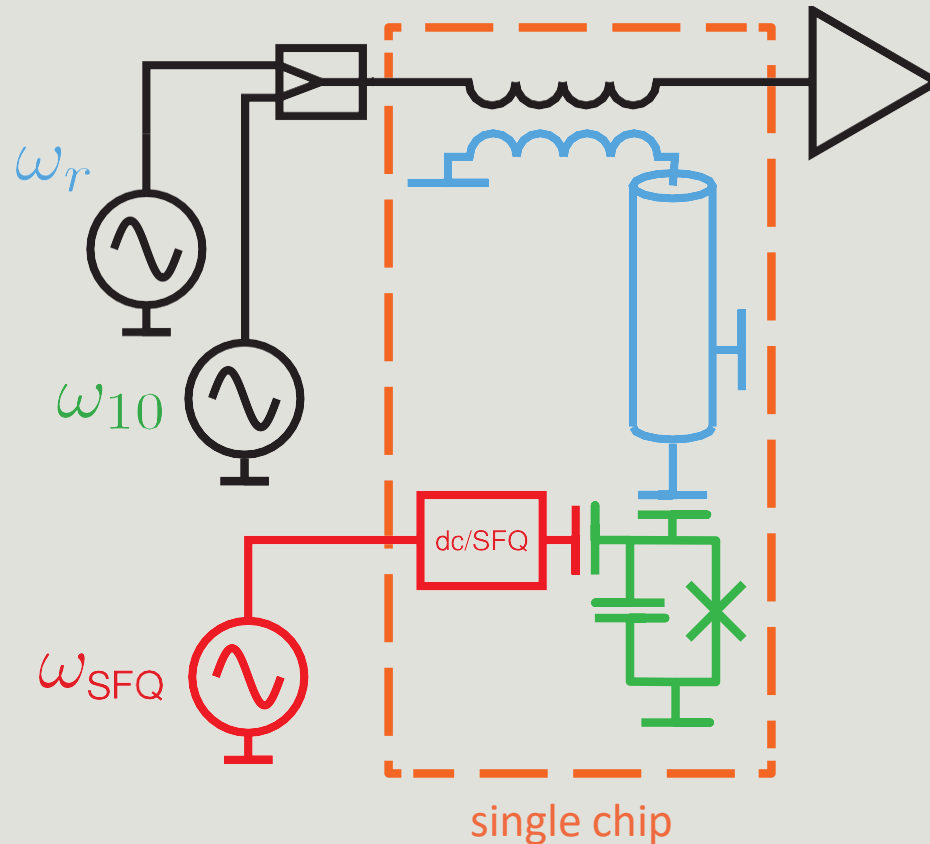
$$H_{\text{SFQ}}(t) = C_c \Phi_0 \sqrt{\frac{\hbar \omega_{10}}{2C}} (\delta(t) + \delta(t - \tau) + \dots + \delta(t - n_\pi \tau)) \hat{\sigma}_y$$

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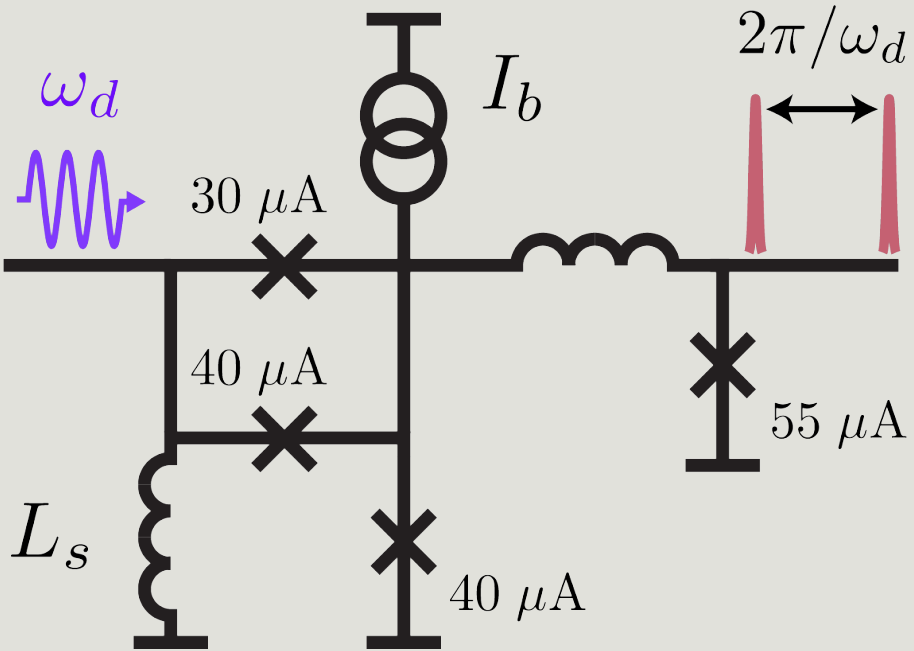
Approach to SFQ-based control

- ❖ Ability to independently validate quantum circuit and classical circuit

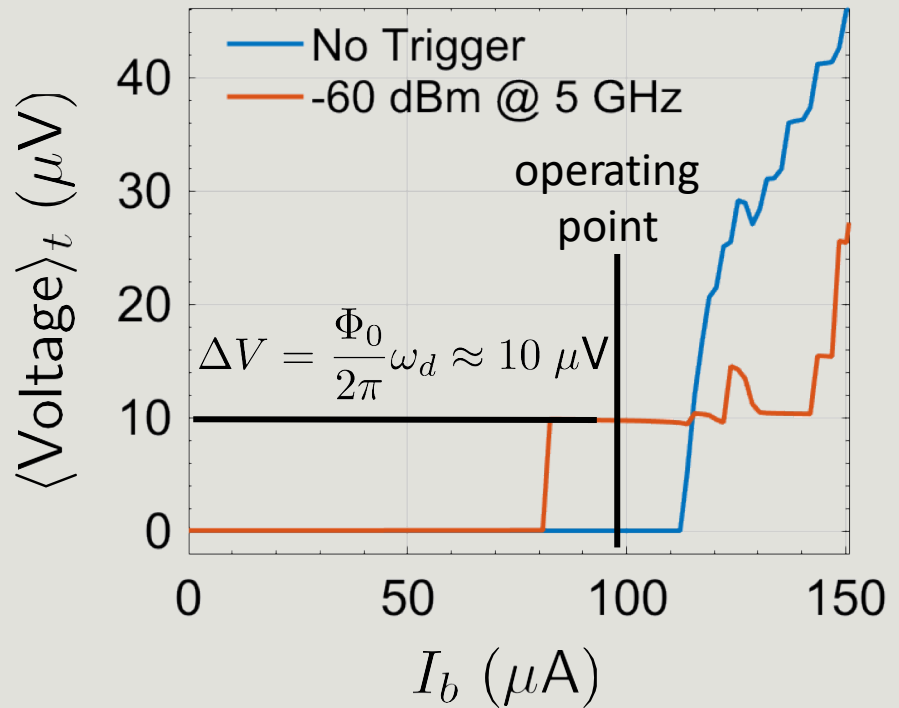


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dc/SFQ converter



WRSpice Simulated Shapiro Step



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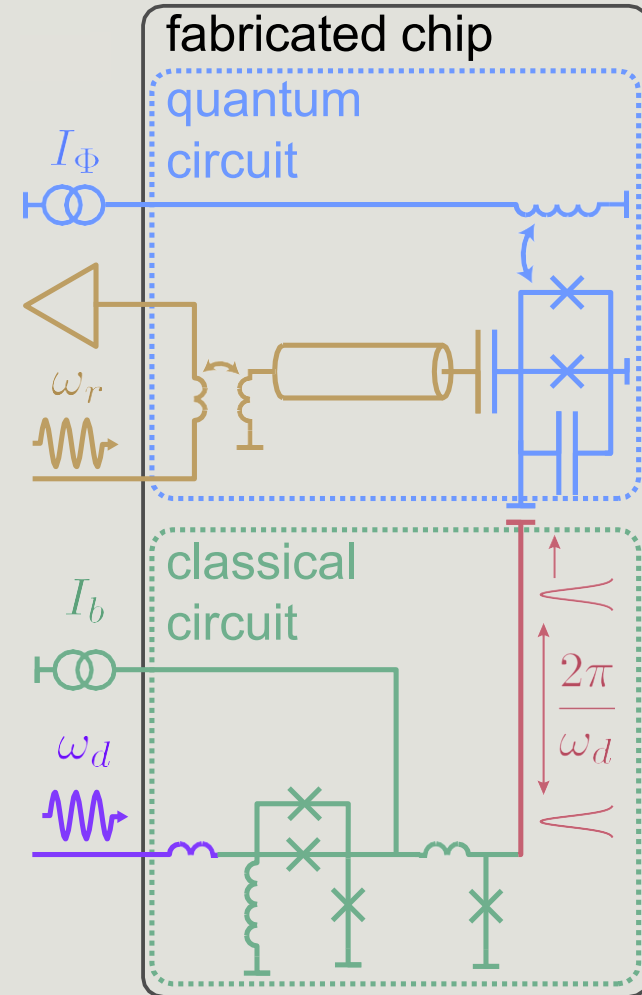
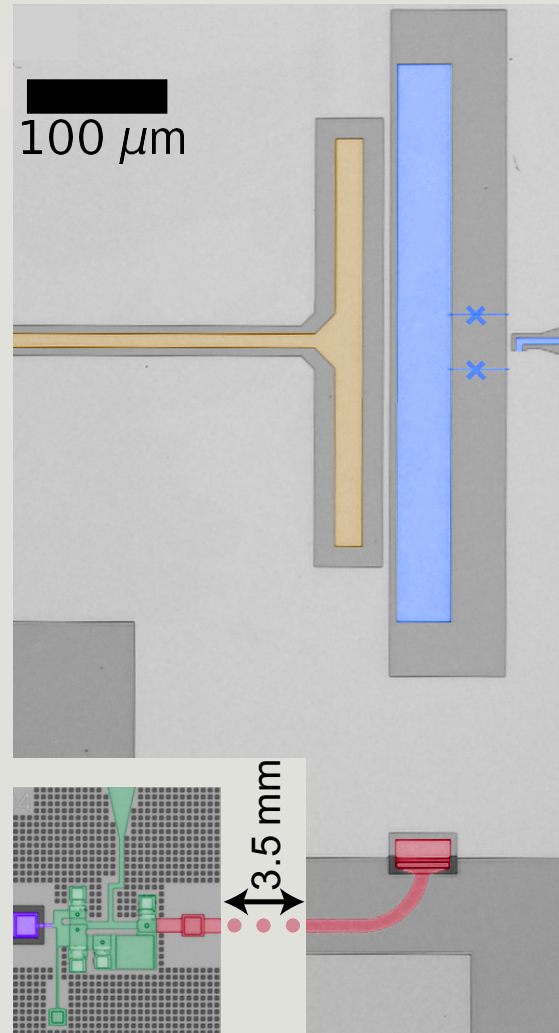
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Quantum / Classical Integrated Circuit

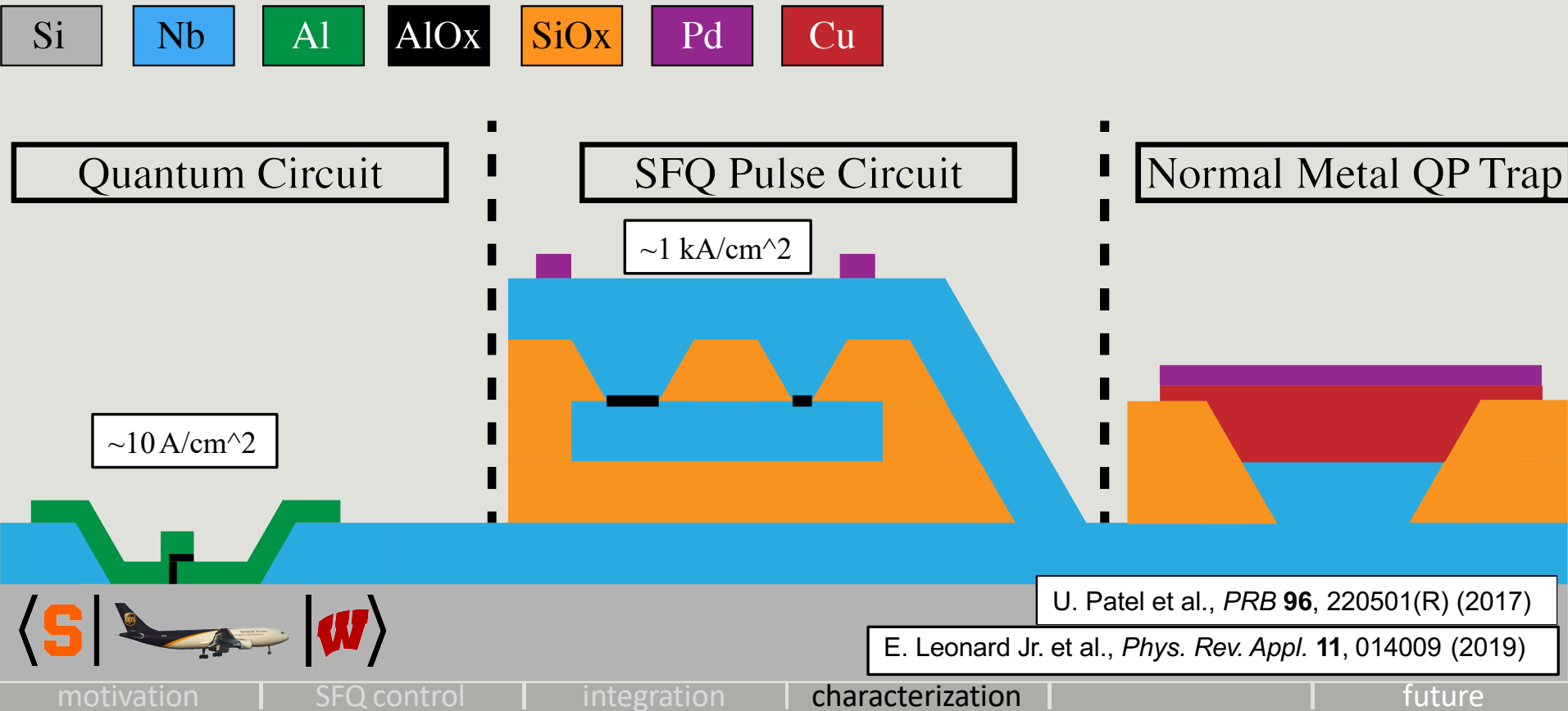
- ❖ Simultaneous realization of high-Q CPW resonators / qubits with wiring stack and high- J_+ JJs for classical SFQ circuit



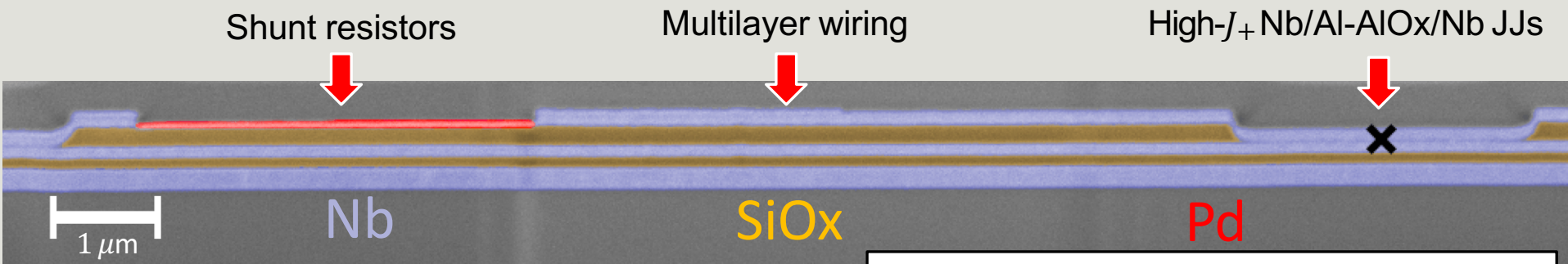
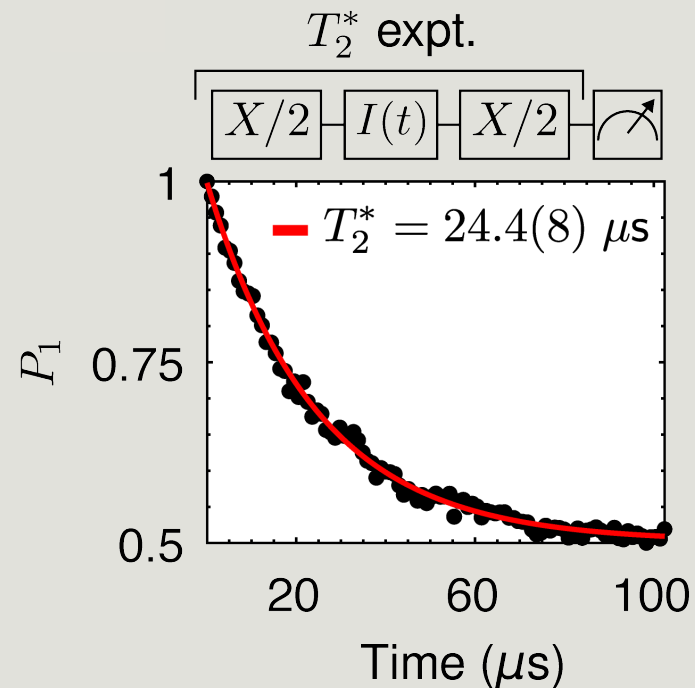
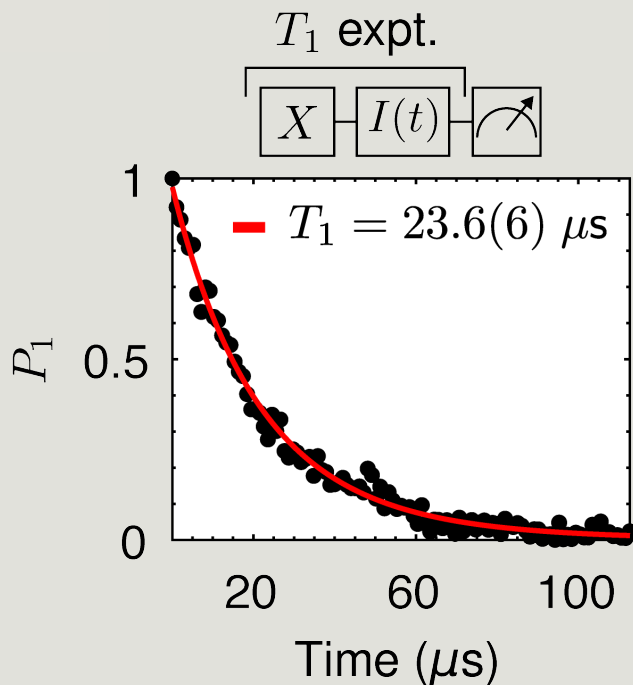
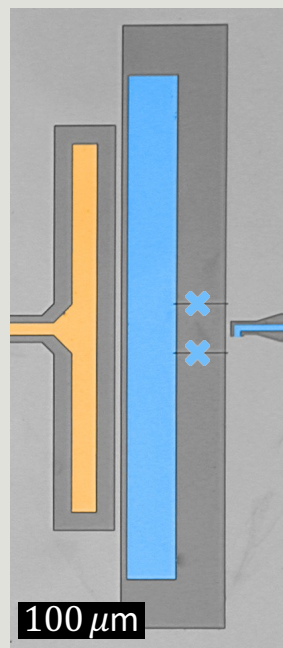
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Integrated Fabrication

- six metallization steps
 - 4 superconducting (3 Nb + 1 Al)
 - 2 normal (Pd + Cu / Pd)
- two PECVD SiOx insulating layers
- need high-Q quantum circuit

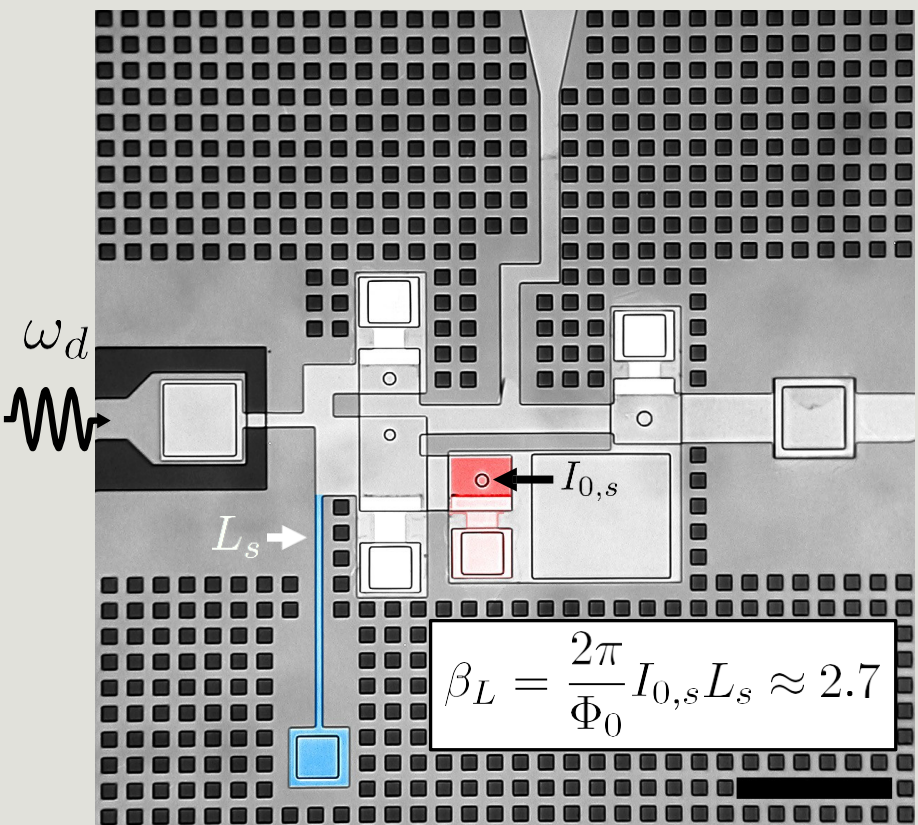


Qubit Performance after IC fabrication

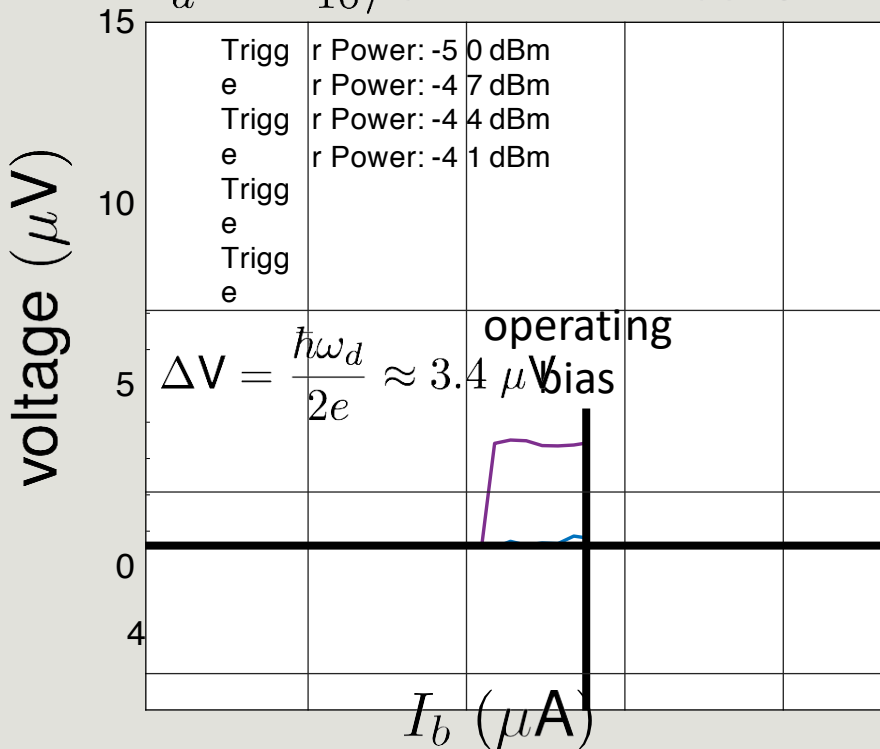


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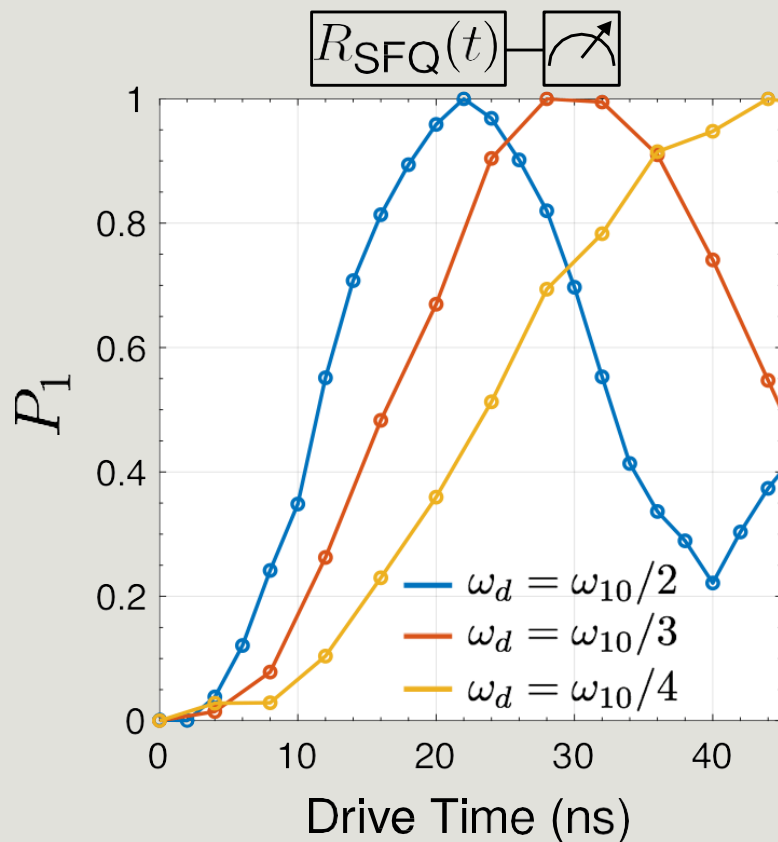
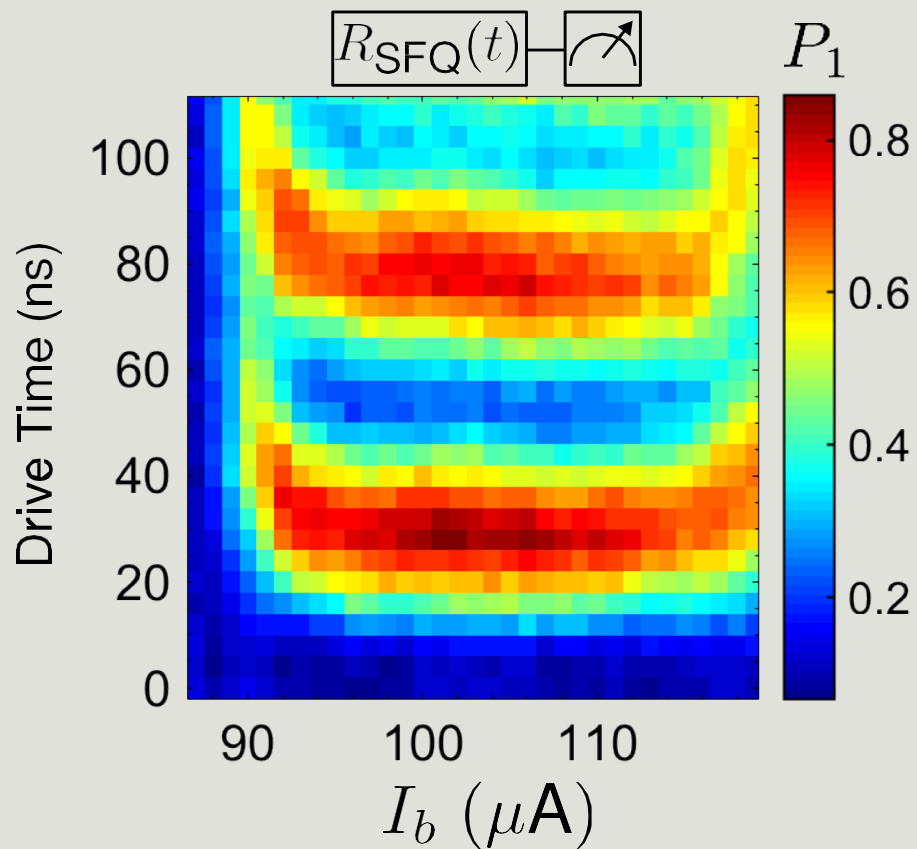


$$\omega_d = \omega_{10}/3 = 2\pi \times 1.65 \text{ GHz}$$



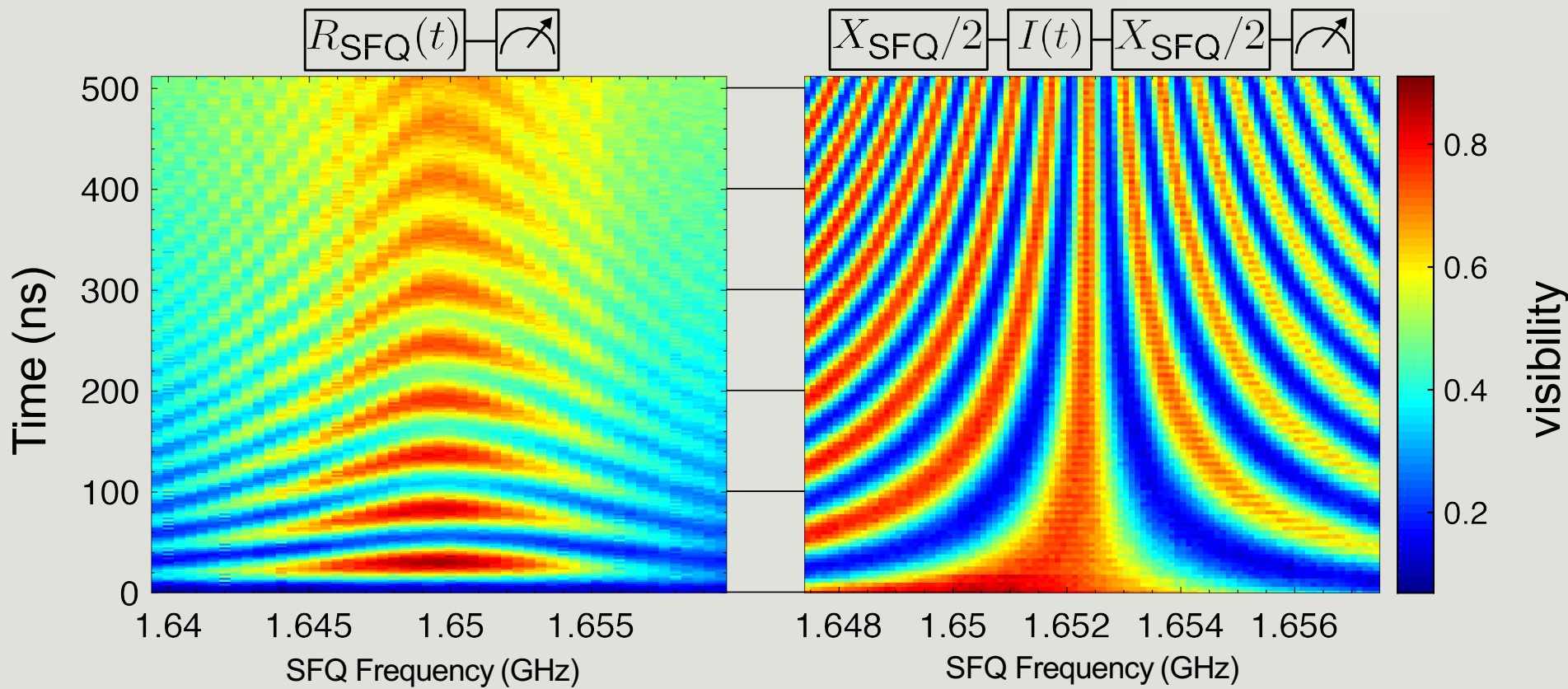
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Rabi Oscillations: using the qubit to measure the dc/SFQ converter output



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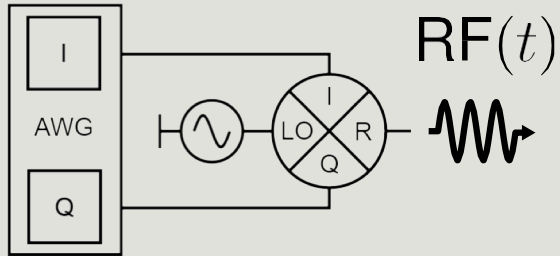
Qubit Experiments at $\omega_c/3$



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Orthogonal SFQ-based gates

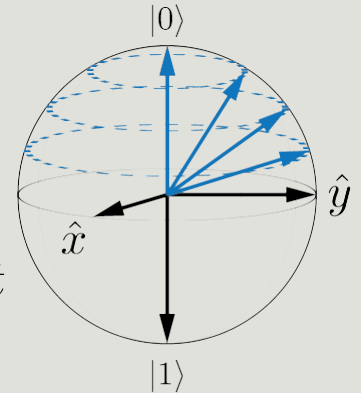
DC/SFQ Trigger



$$RF(t) = \cos[\underbrace{(\omega_{LO} - \omega_{IF})}_{\omega_d} t + \phi_d]$$

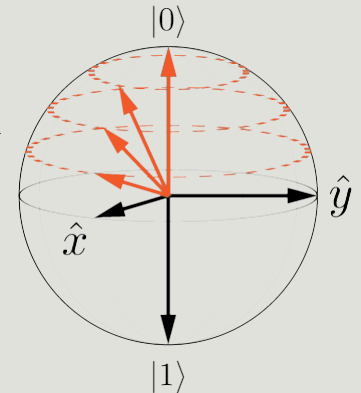
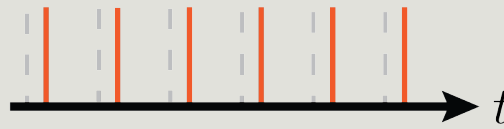
$$X_{SFQ}$$

$$\phi_d = 0$$

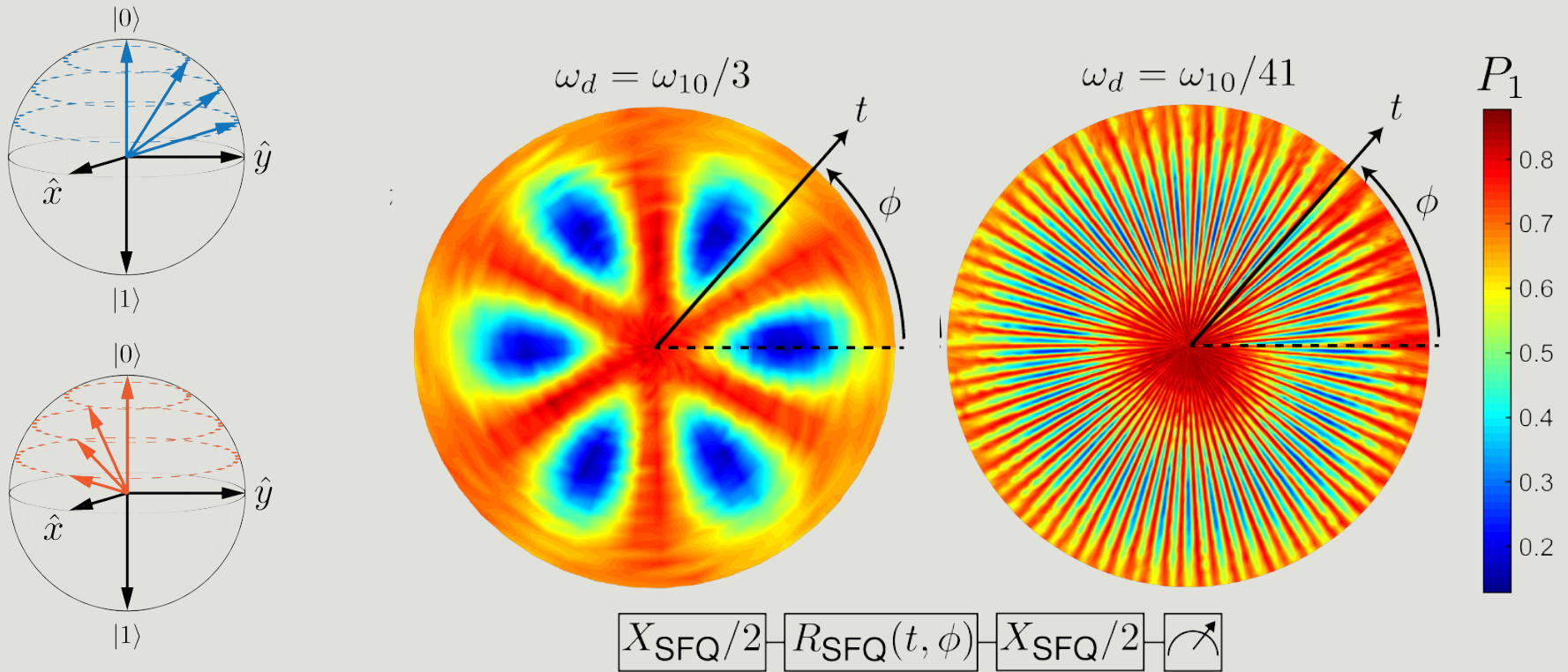


$$Y_{SFQ}$$

$$\phi_d = \frac{\pi}{2n}$$



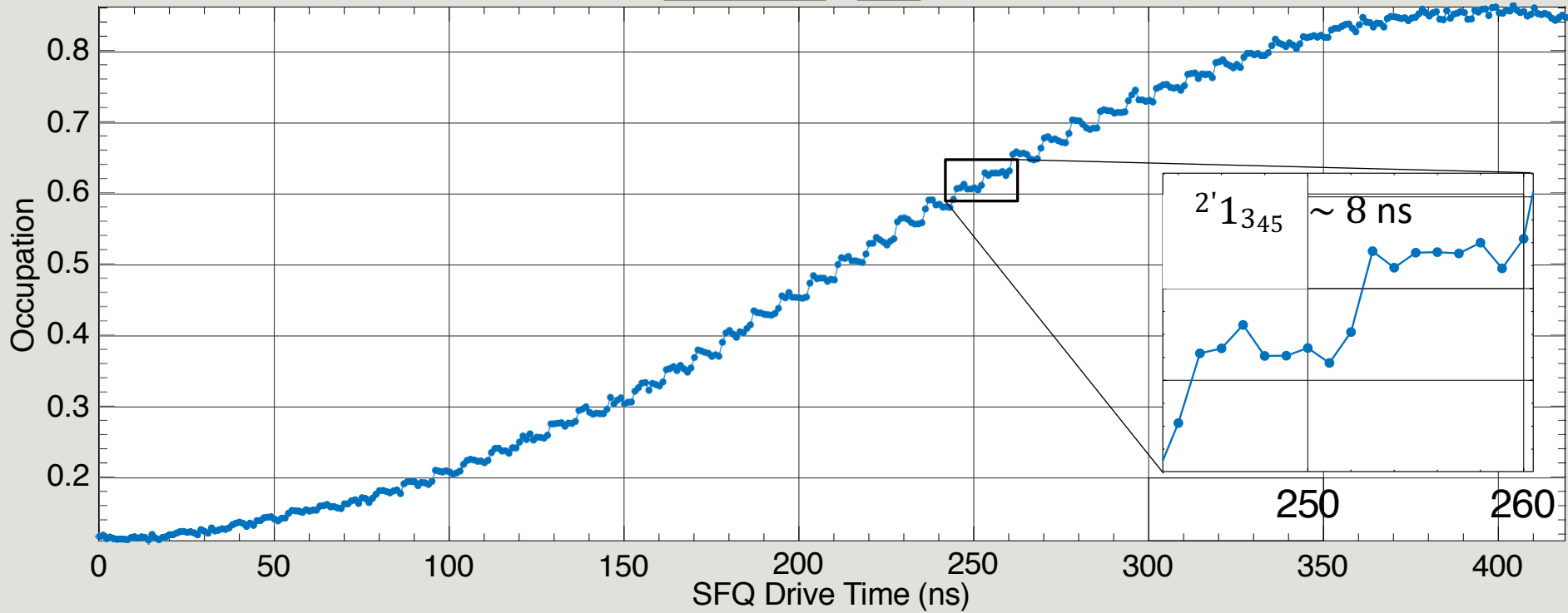
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Stair-Step Rabi Flop at $\omega'_{\zeta}/41$

$$R_{\text{SFQ}}(t) \quad \left[\curvearrowright$$



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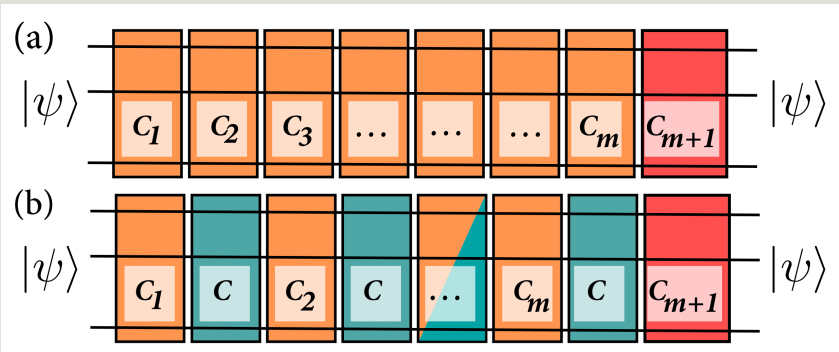
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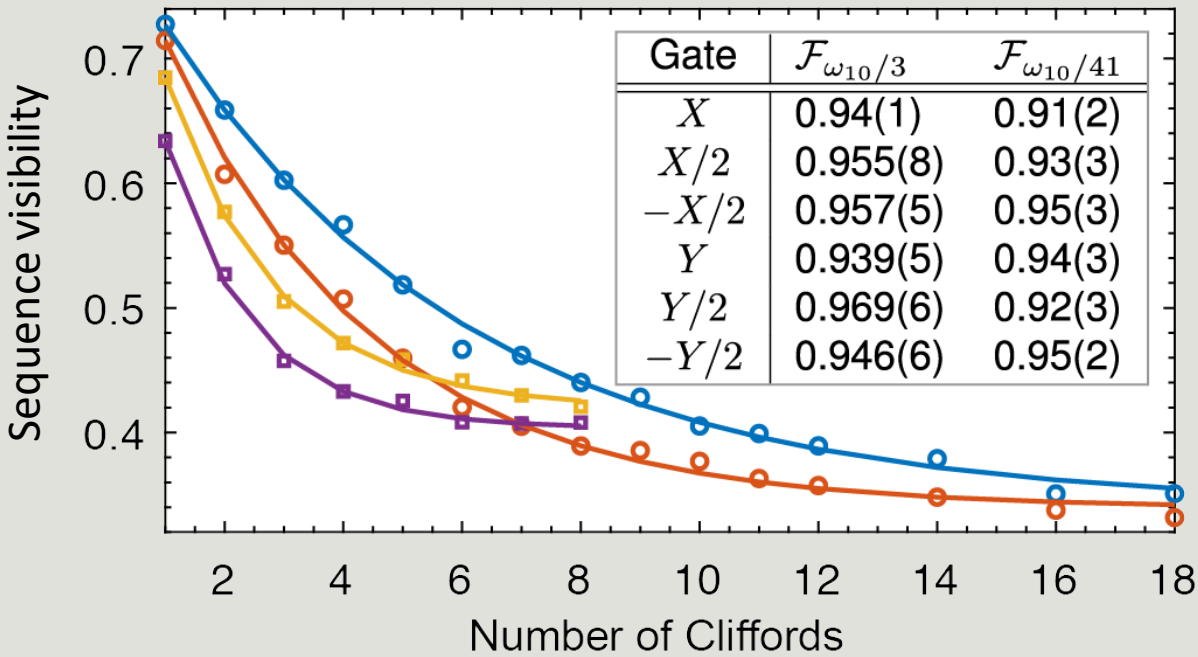
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Randomized Benchmarking Results



$\omega_{10}/3$: ● standard RB ○ interleaved $X_{\text{SFQ}/2}$
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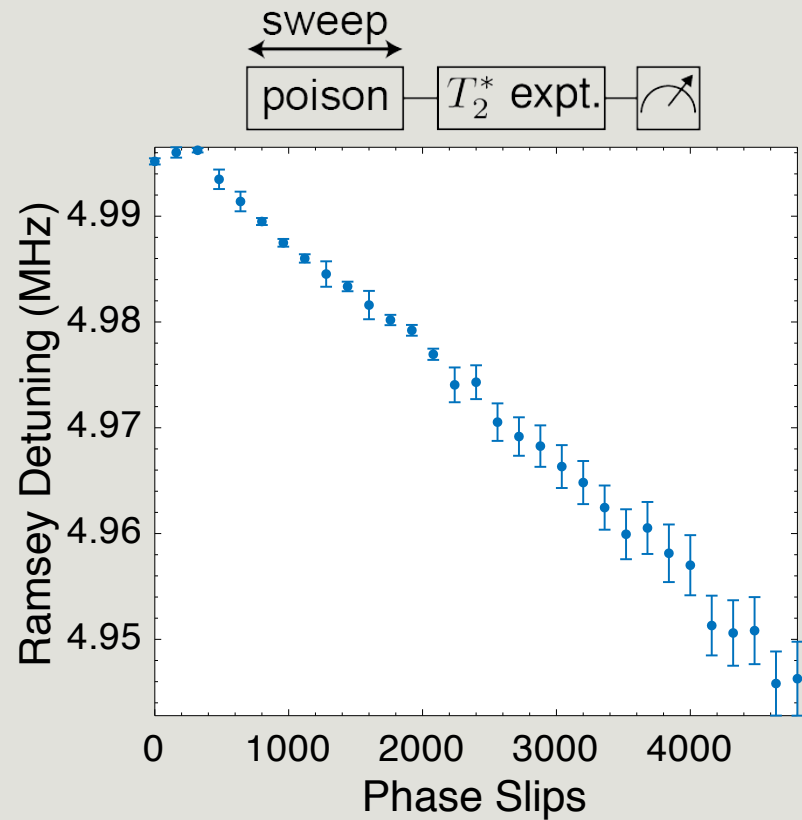
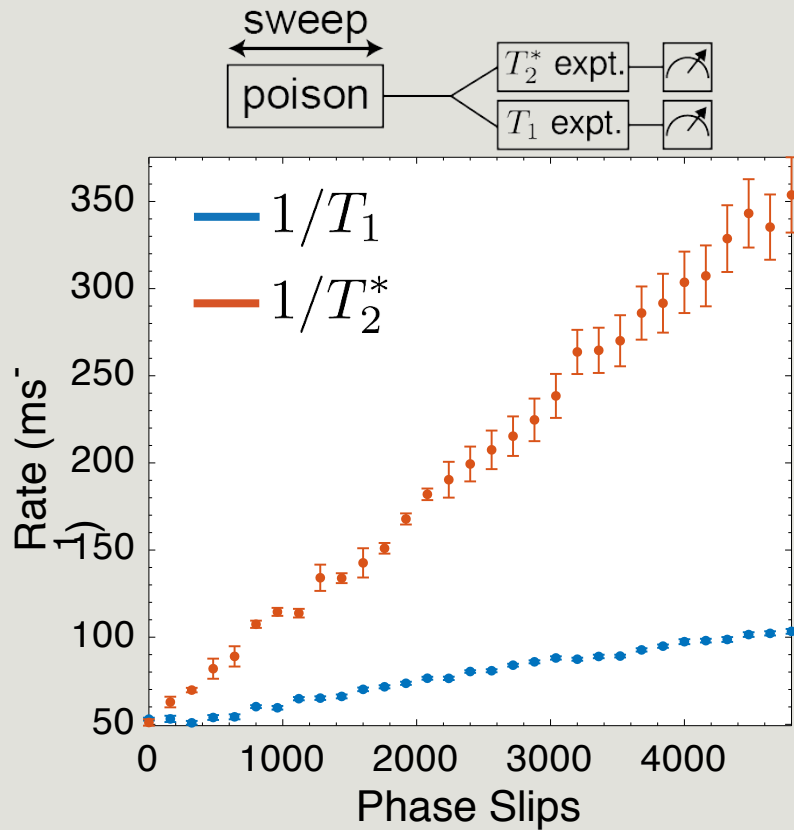
E. Magesan et al, *PRL* **109**, 080505 (2012)



Gate fidelities limited by on-chip quasiparticle generation!

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Quasiparticle poisoning: decoherence



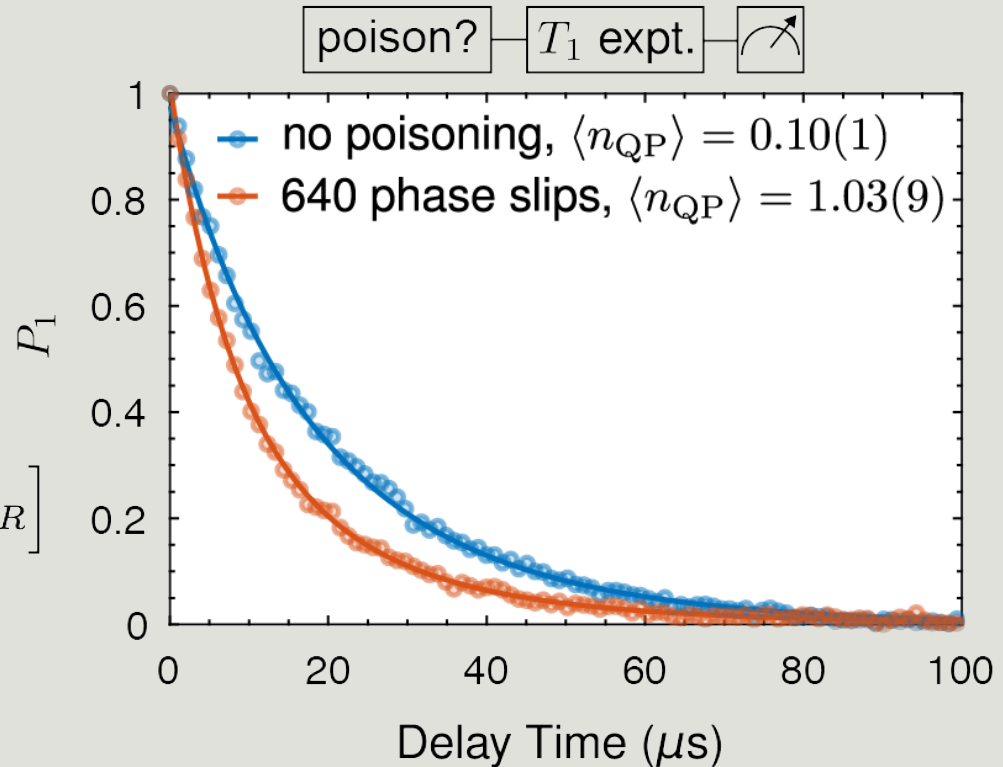
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Quasiparticle dynamics: coupling QPs to the qubit

Assume a Poisson distribution in number of quasiparticles coupled to the qubit with mean $\langle n_{QP} \rangle$:

$$P_1(t) = \exp \left[\langle n_{qp} \rangle \left(e^{-t/T_{1,qp}} - 1 \right) - t/T_{1,R} \right]$$

I. M. Pop et al., *Nature* **508**, 369 (2014)

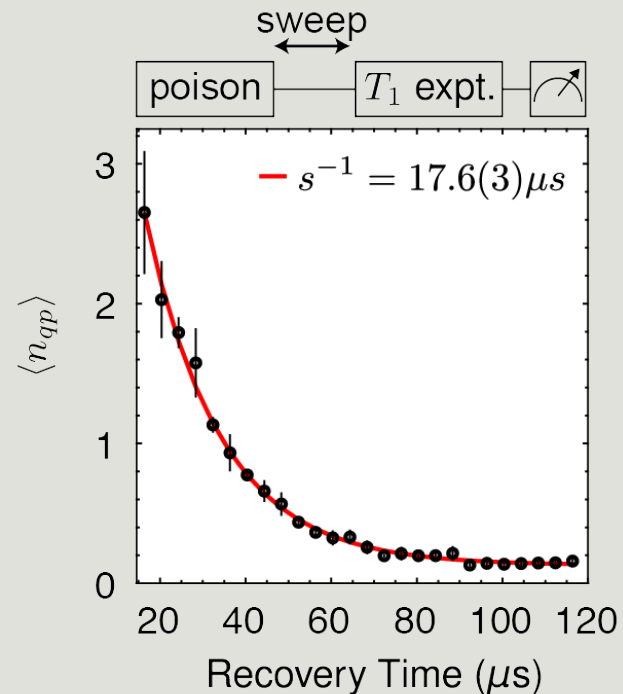
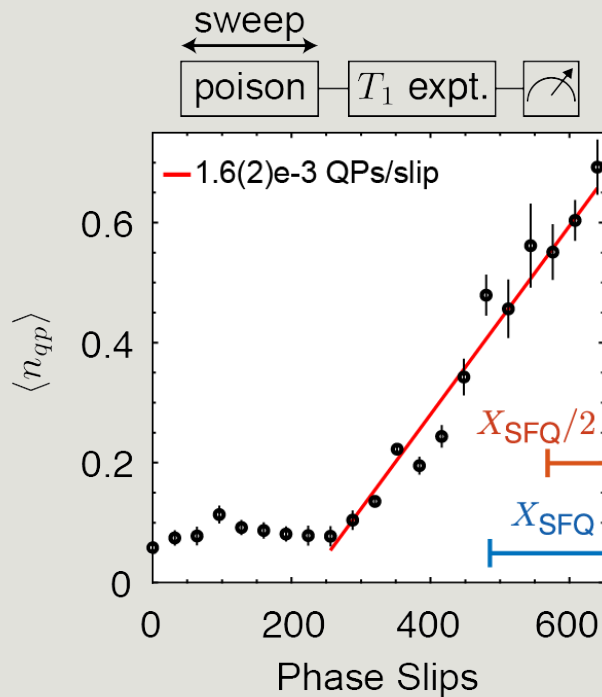


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Quasiparticle dynamics: accrual and retrapping experiments

$$\frac{dx_{qp}}{dt} = -rx_{qp}^2 - sx_{qp} + g$$

QP recovery in this system on similar timescale to another experiment in planar Al resonators on Si



U. Patel et al., *PRB* **96**, 220501(R) (2017)

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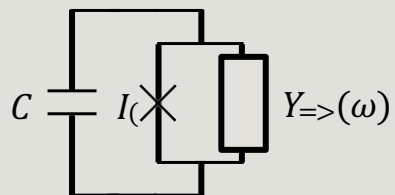
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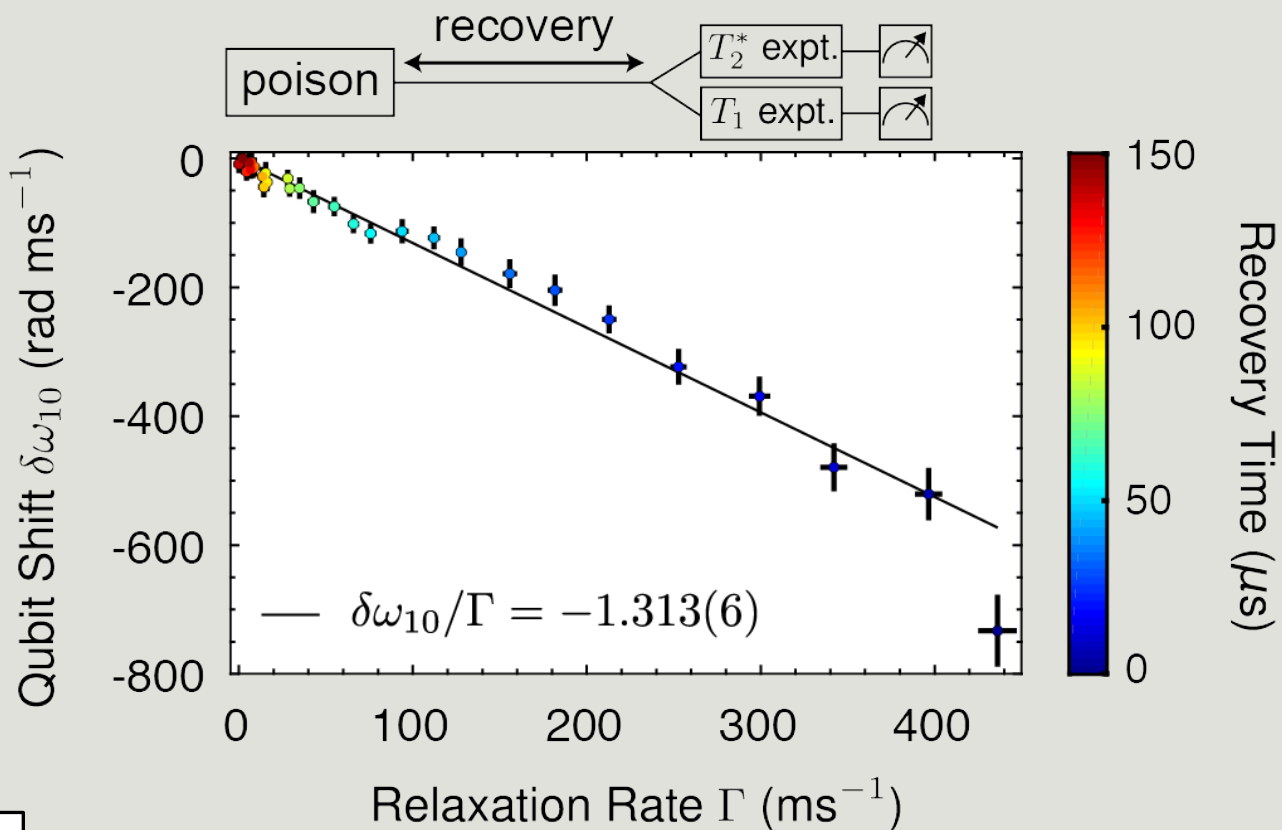
Quasiparticle dynamics: relationship between decoherence and frequency shift



$$\delta\omega_{10} \simeq -\frac{\text{Im}\{Y_{QP}(\omega_{10})\}}{2C}$$

$$\Gamma_{QP} \simeq \frac{\text{Re}\{Y_{QP}(\omega_{10})\}}{C}$$

$$\frac{\delta\omega_{10}}{\Gamma} = -\frac{1}{2} \left[1 - \pi \sqrt{\frac{\hbar\omega_{10}}{2\Delta}} \right]$$



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M. Lenander et al., *PRB* **84**, 024501 (2011)

C. Wang et al., *Nat. Comm.* **5**, 5836 (2014)

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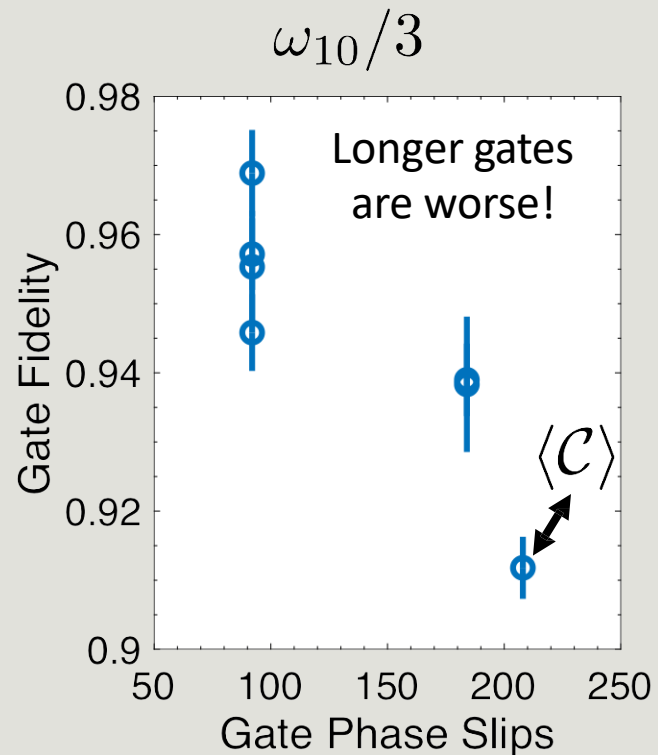
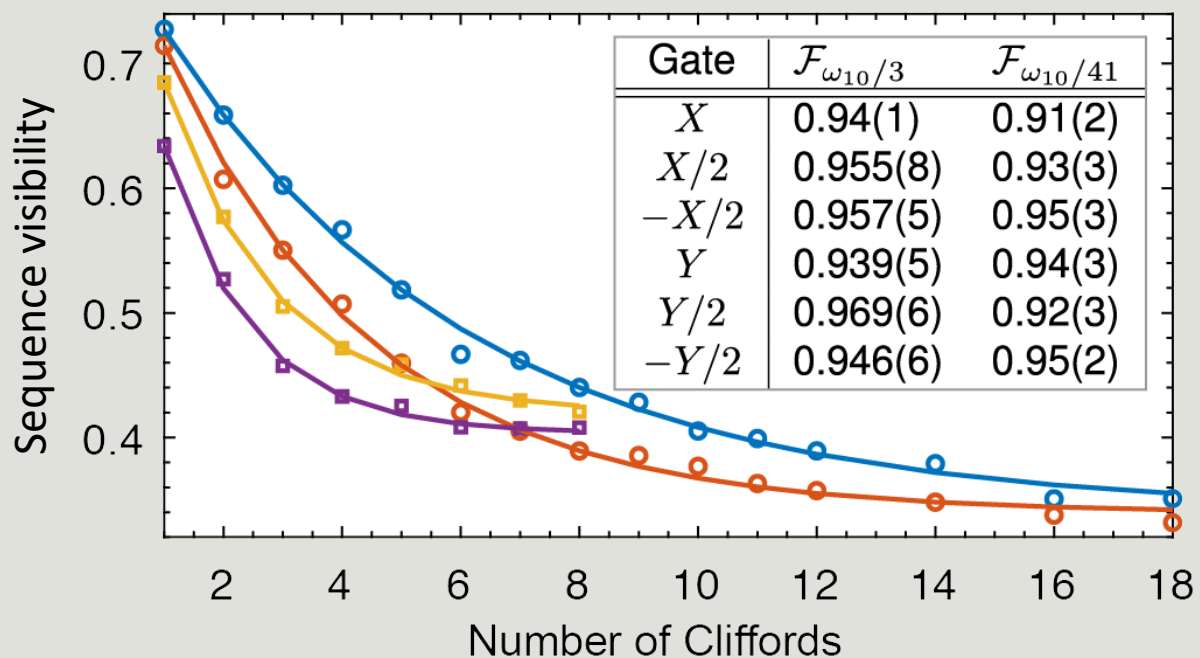
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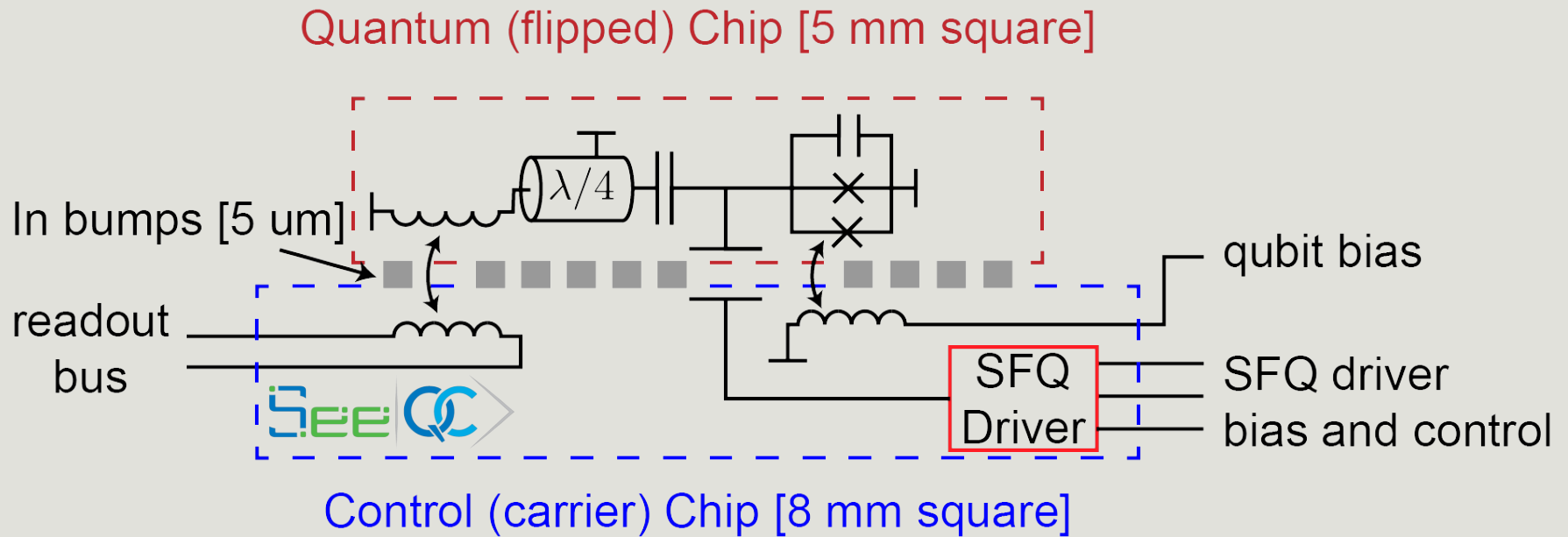
Benchmarking Revisited

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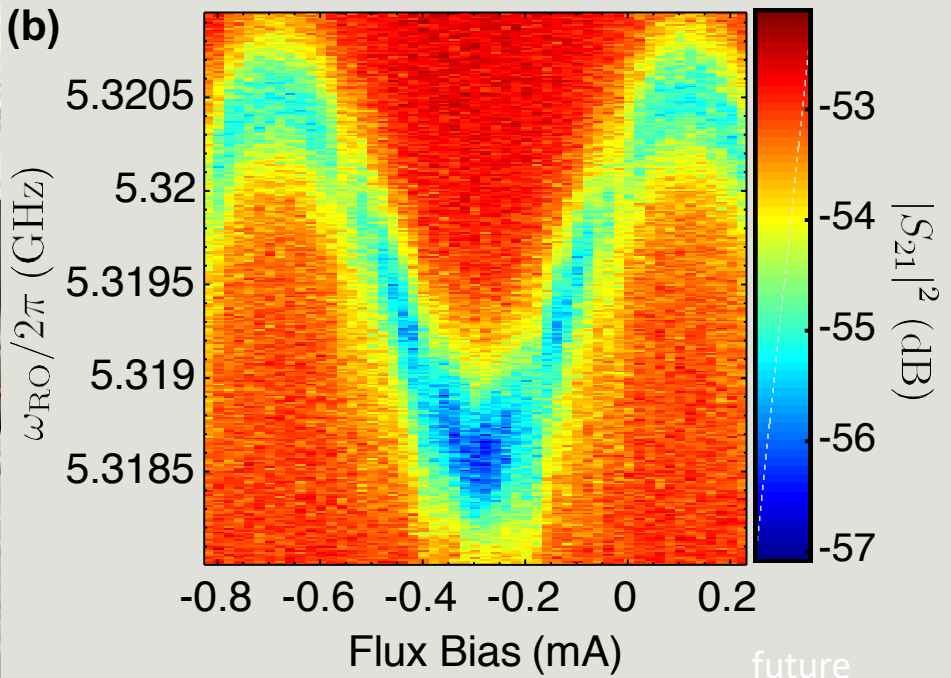
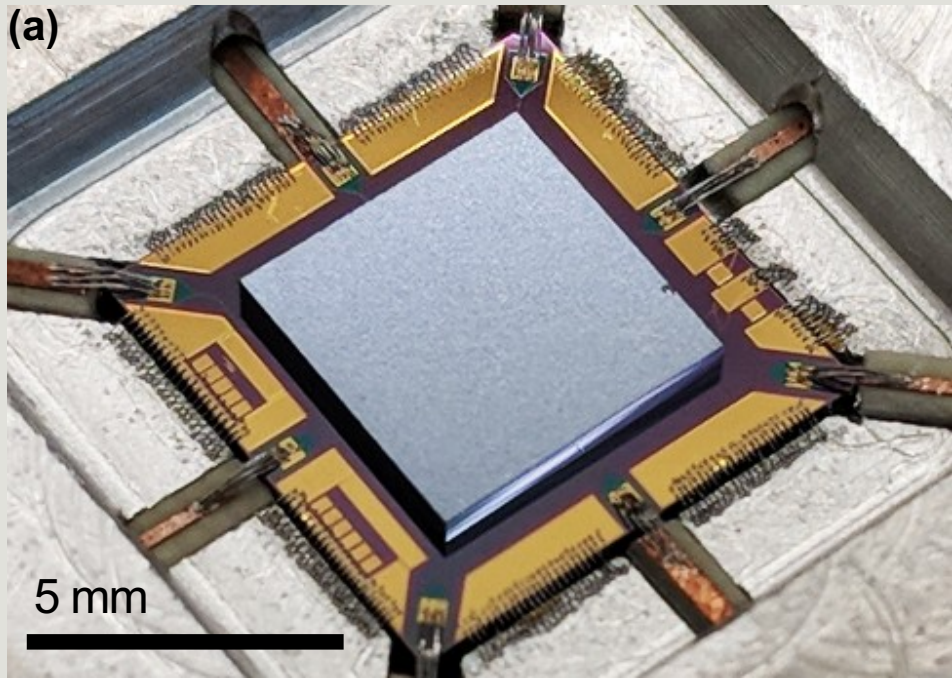
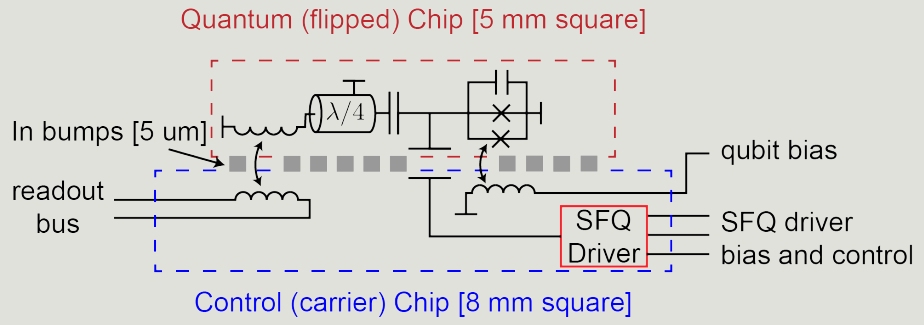
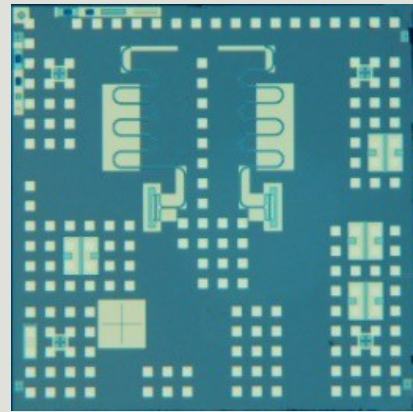
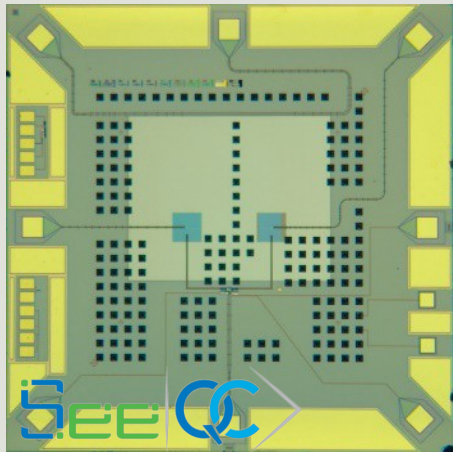


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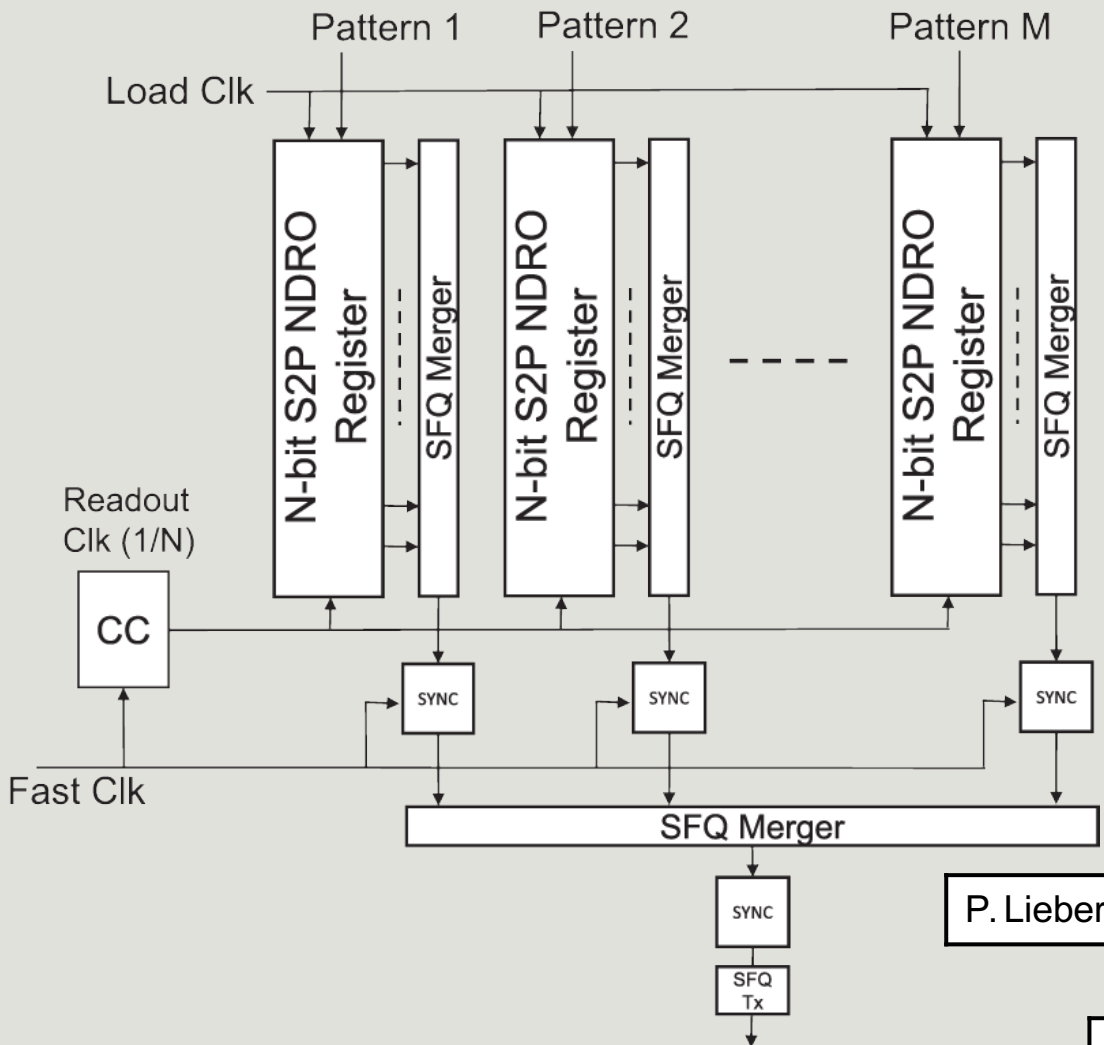
Multi-chip module circuit design



Multi-chip module in test now; qubits live



Future concept: SFQ Pulse Pattern Generator



- Single global clock (e.g. $6f_c$ (~ 30 GHz))
- Banks of shift registers to store/stream sequence (e.g., 100 bits / qubit operation)
- Ability to program more complex sequences to minimize excitations out of the computational manifold
 - P. Liebermann (2016), R. McDermott (2018), K. Li (2019)

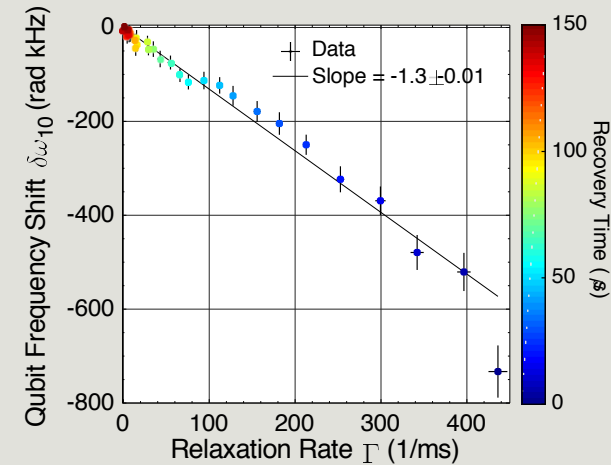
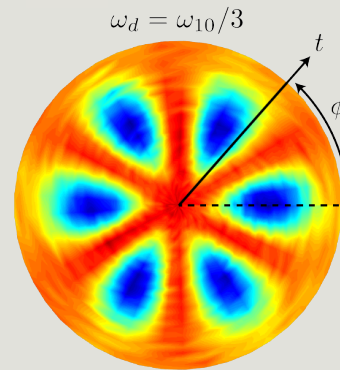
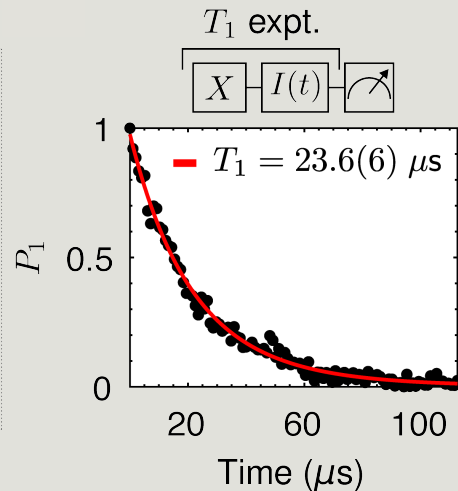
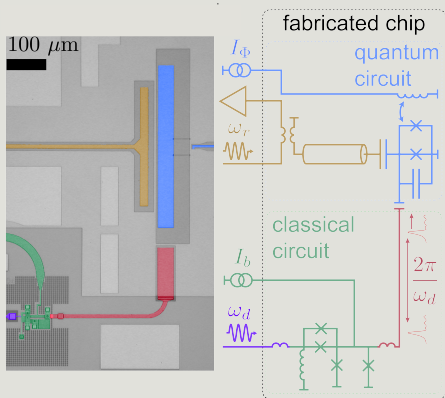
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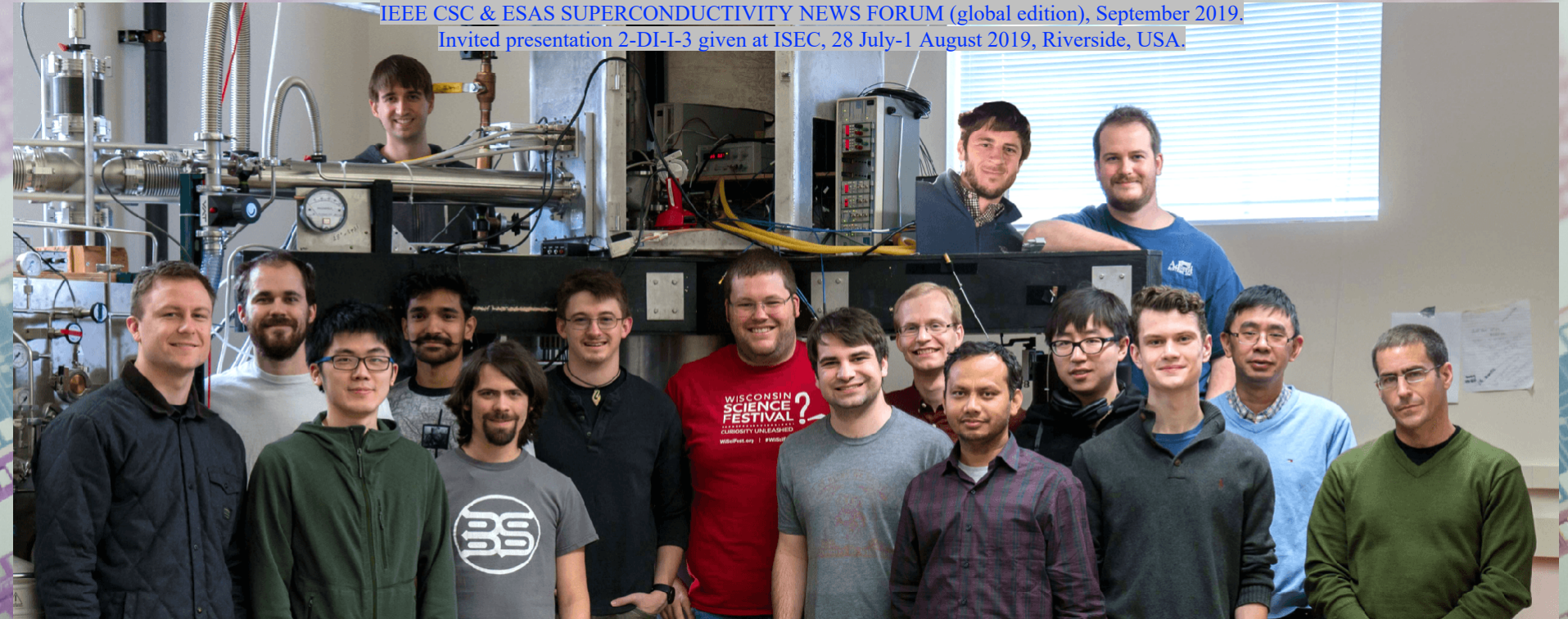
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Summary

- ❖ Designed/fabricated/characterized quantum-classical integrated circuit
- ❖ Qubit performance not significantly degraded by extensive fabrication
- ❖ Orthogonal SFQ pulse-based gate set characterized with IRB
- ❖ Quasiparticle poisoning is a limiting factor in same-chip operation
- ❖ 3D integration currently in test



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PHYSICAL REVIEW APPLIED

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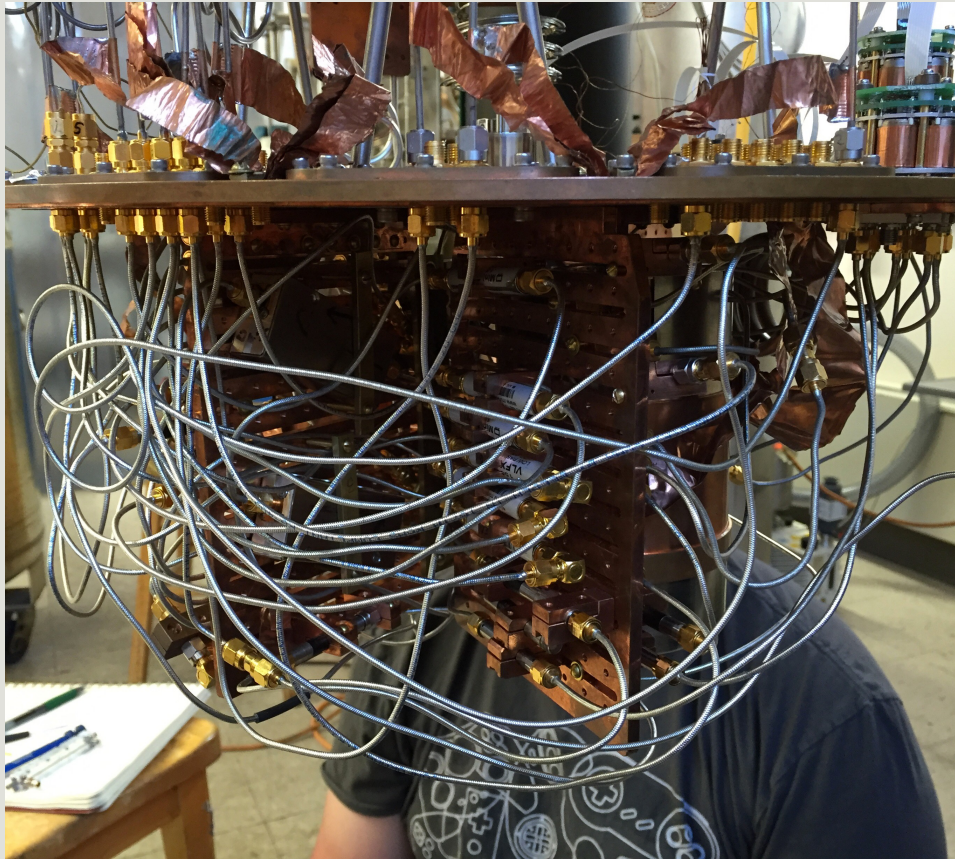
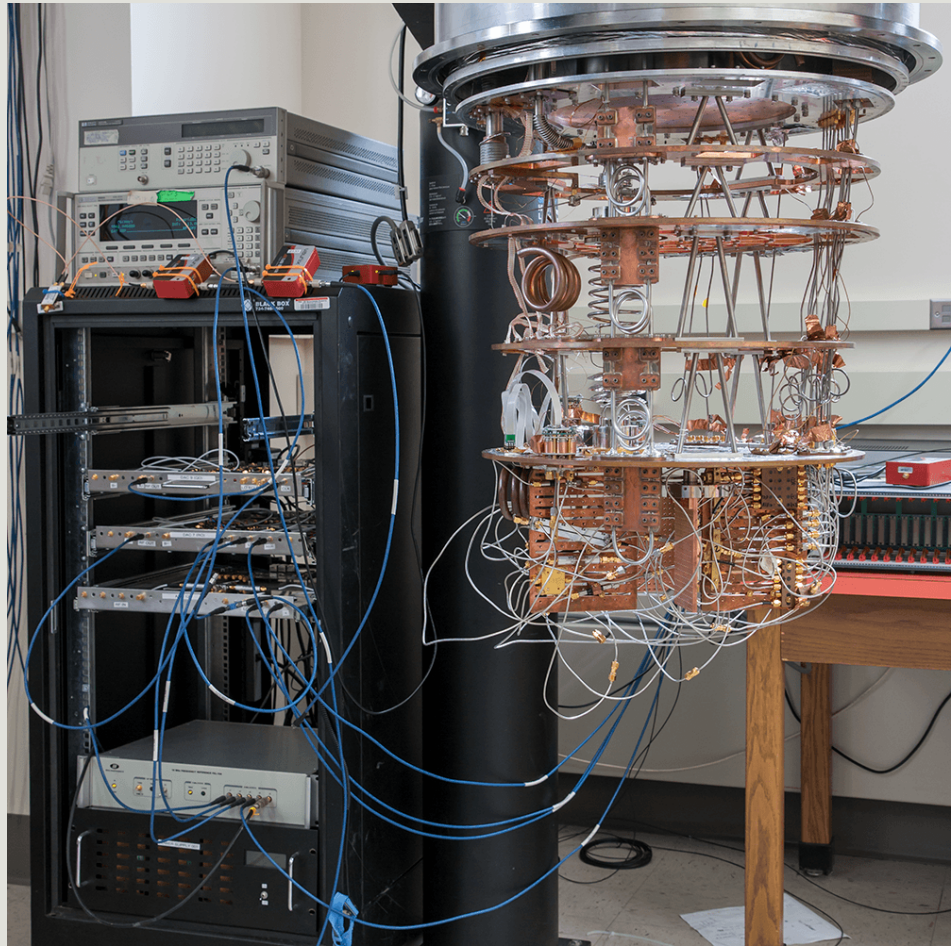
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Qubit Control and Measurement



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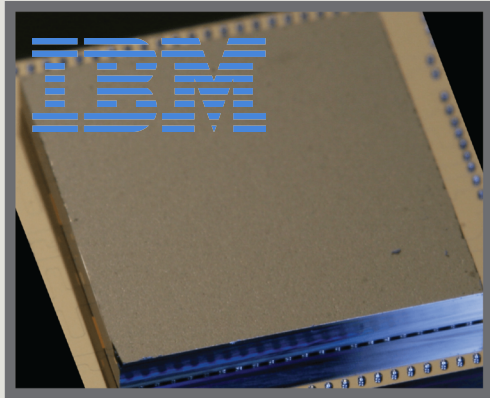
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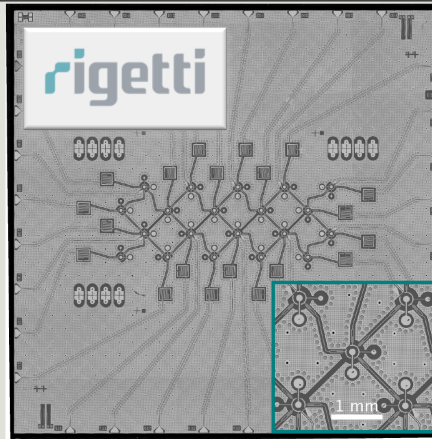
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Processor I/O: Interconnects



# of qubits	50
# control wires	~50
devices per wire	~1



# of qubits	19
# control wires	28
devices per wire	0.7



# of transistors	100M
# control wires	775
devices per wire	150k

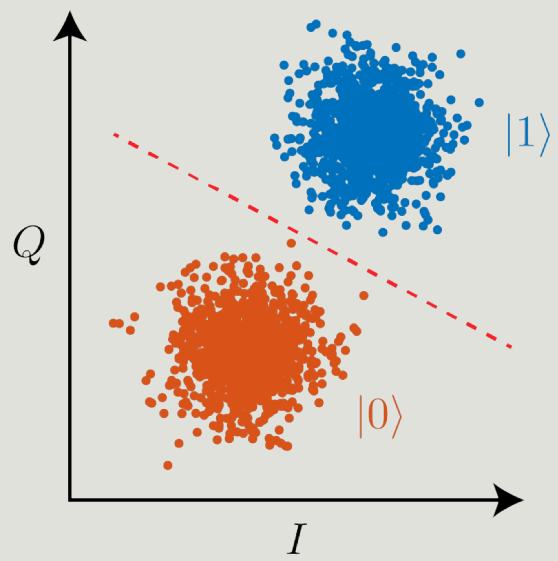
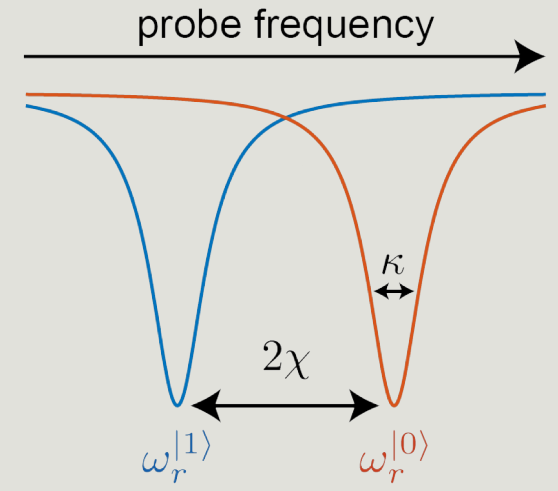
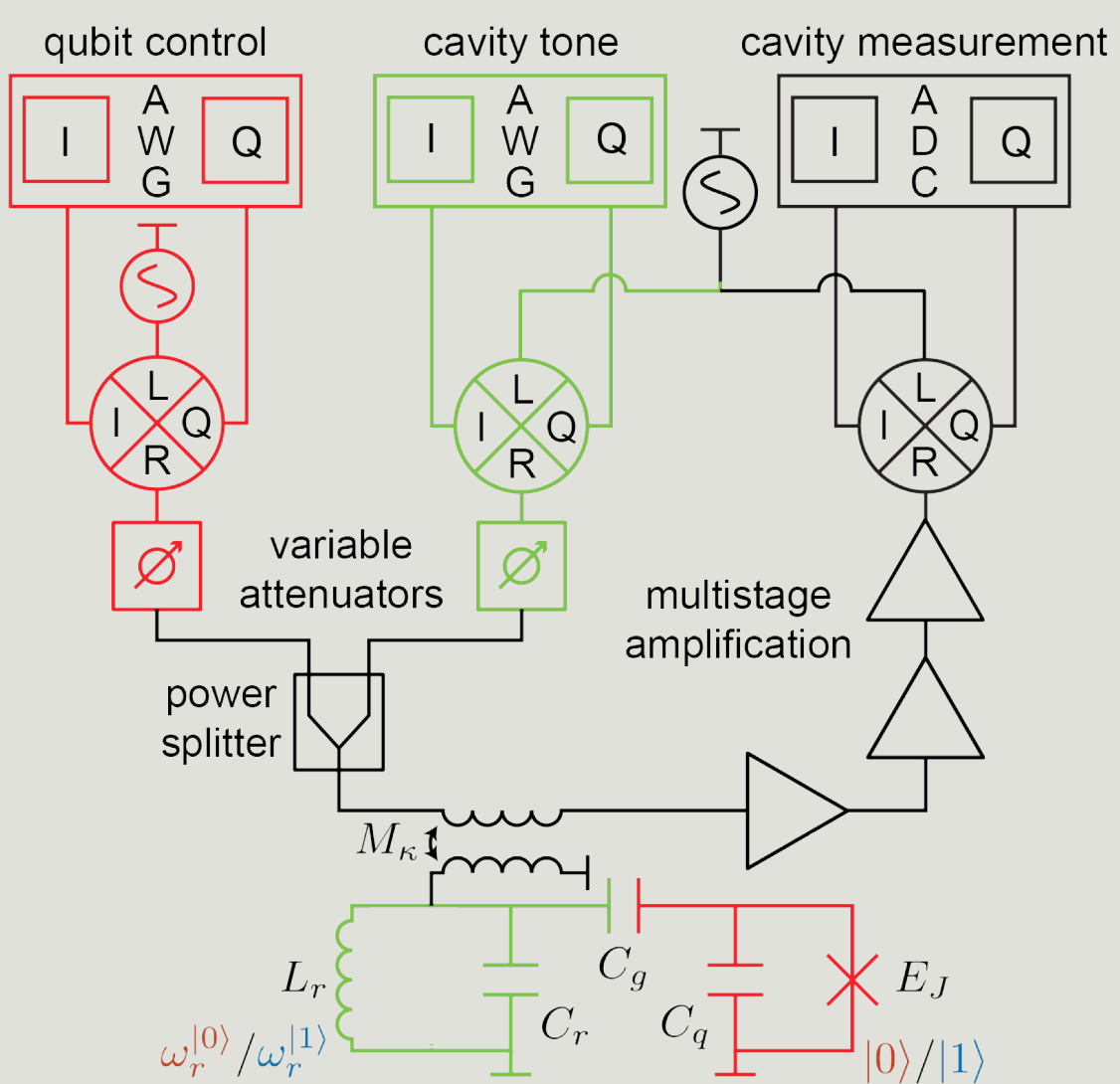
How to wire-up 100M qubits is unknown.

IBM Blog: "The Future is Quantum" (November, 2017)

J. S. Otterbach, arXiv:1712.05771 (2017)

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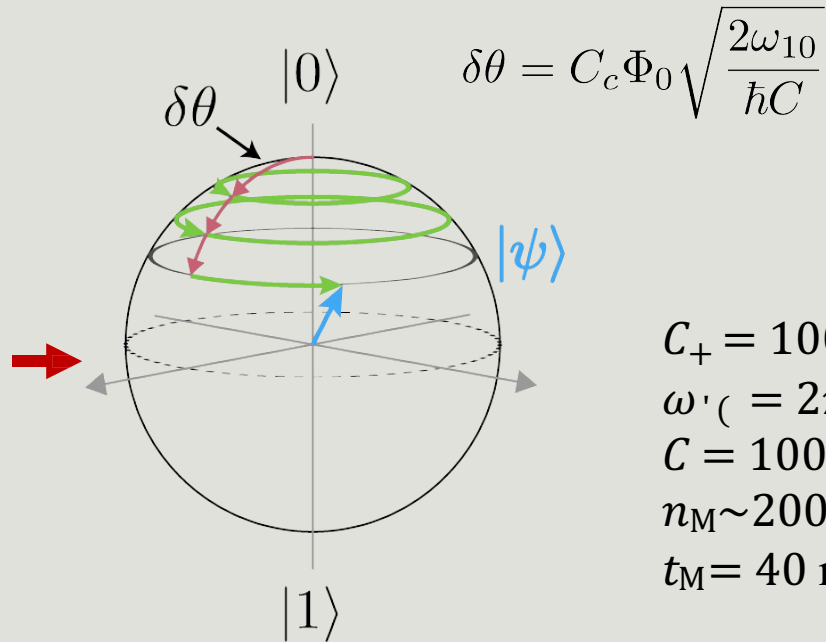
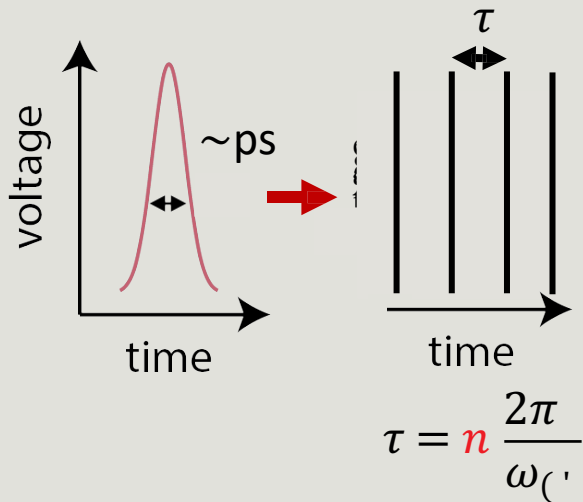
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Resonant SFQ Pulse Trains

$$\int V(t)dt = \Phi_0$$



$C_+ = 100 \text{ aF}$
 $\omega_c = 2\pi \times 5 \text{ GHz}$
 $C = 100 \text{ fF}$
 $n_M \sim 200 \text{ SFQ pulses}$
 $t_M = 40 \text{ ns}$

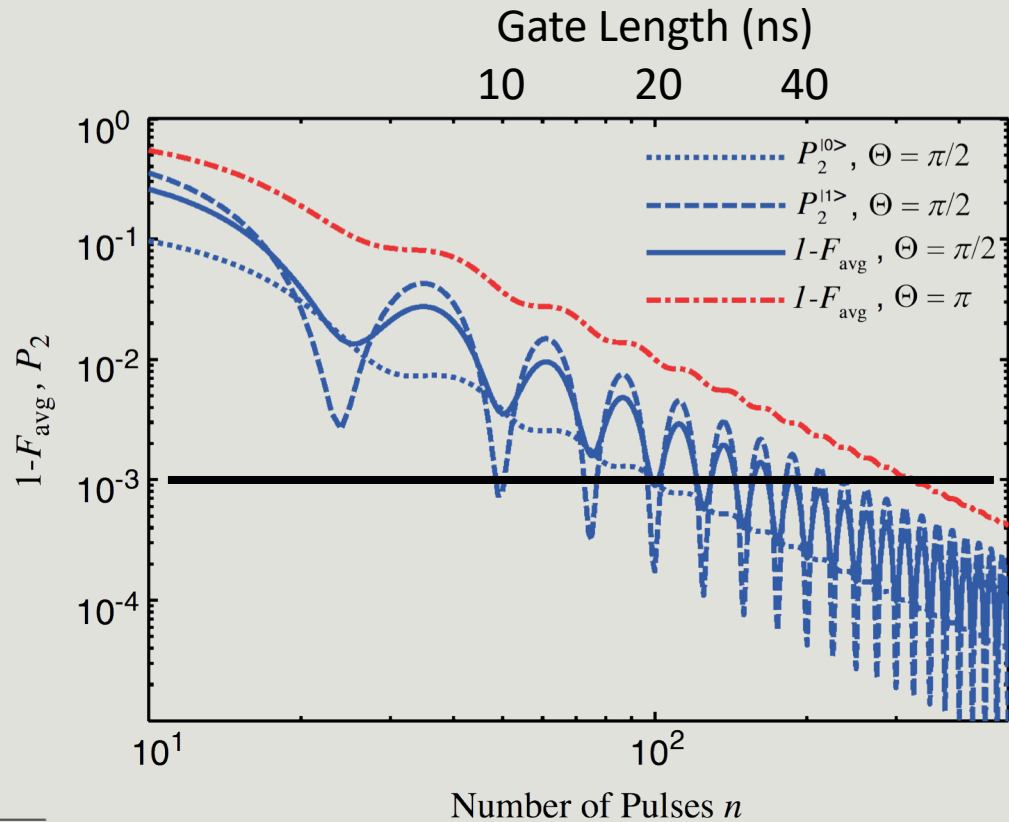
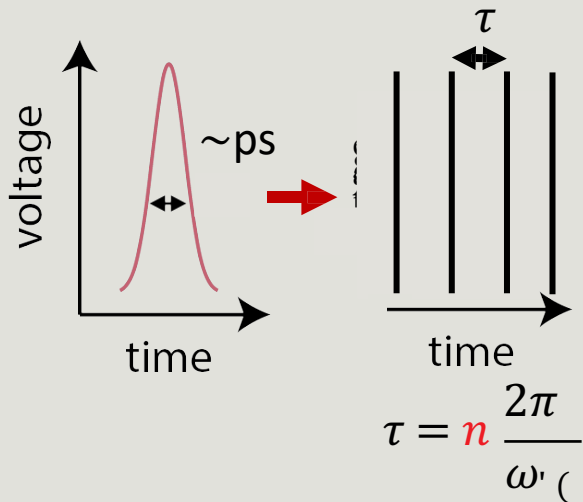
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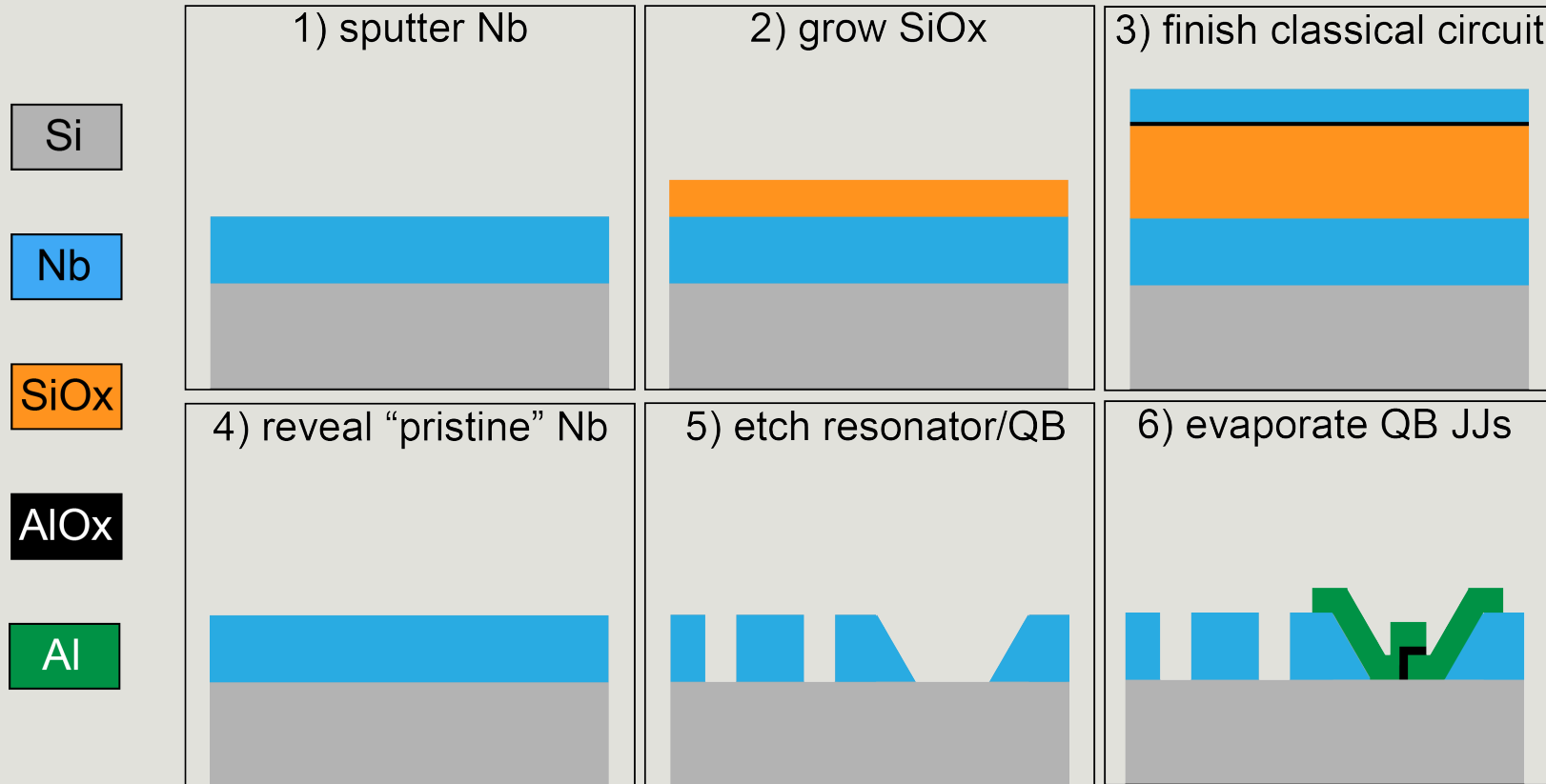
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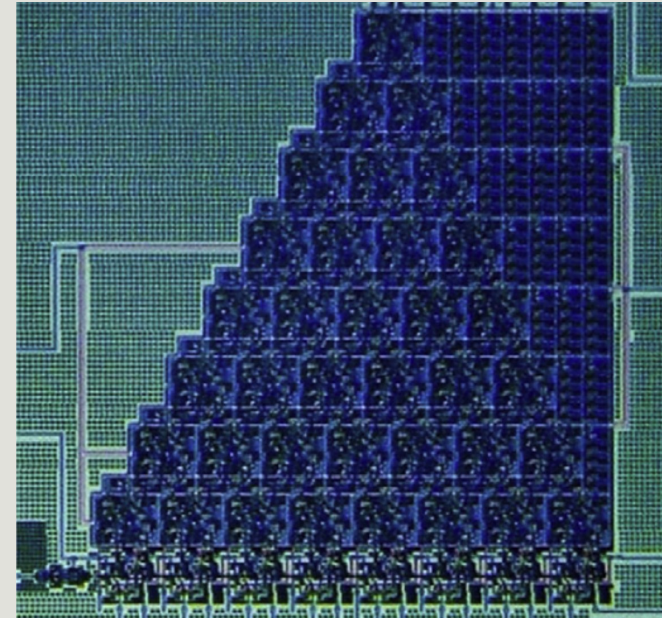
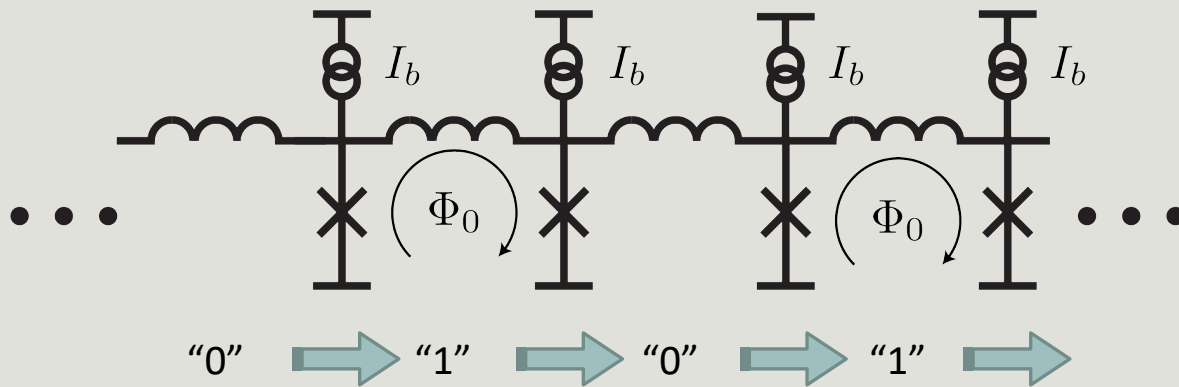
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Using SiO_x to protect quantum circuit



Single Flux Quantum Tech

- **Single Flux Quantum (SFQ)** logic family composed of basic classical gates; implemented in superconducting circuits
- Logical data encoded in the presence (1) or absence (0) of JJ phase slips
- Low-energy variants with reduced power draw
- Enormous modern advances (see IARPA C3)

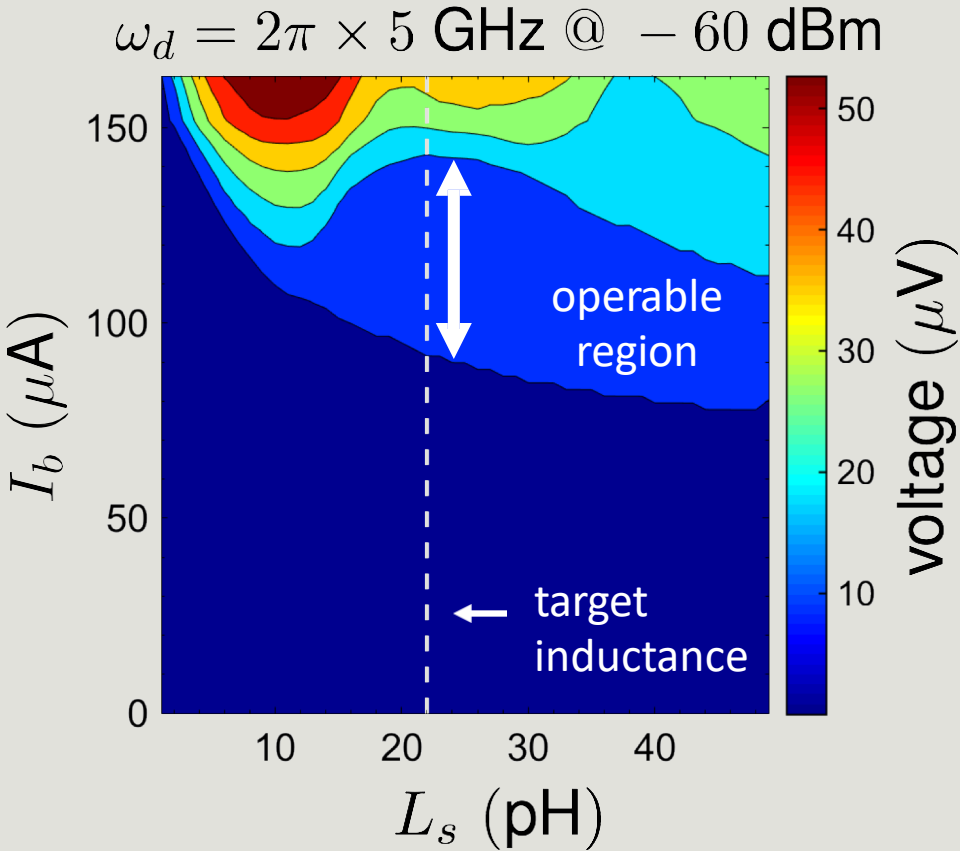
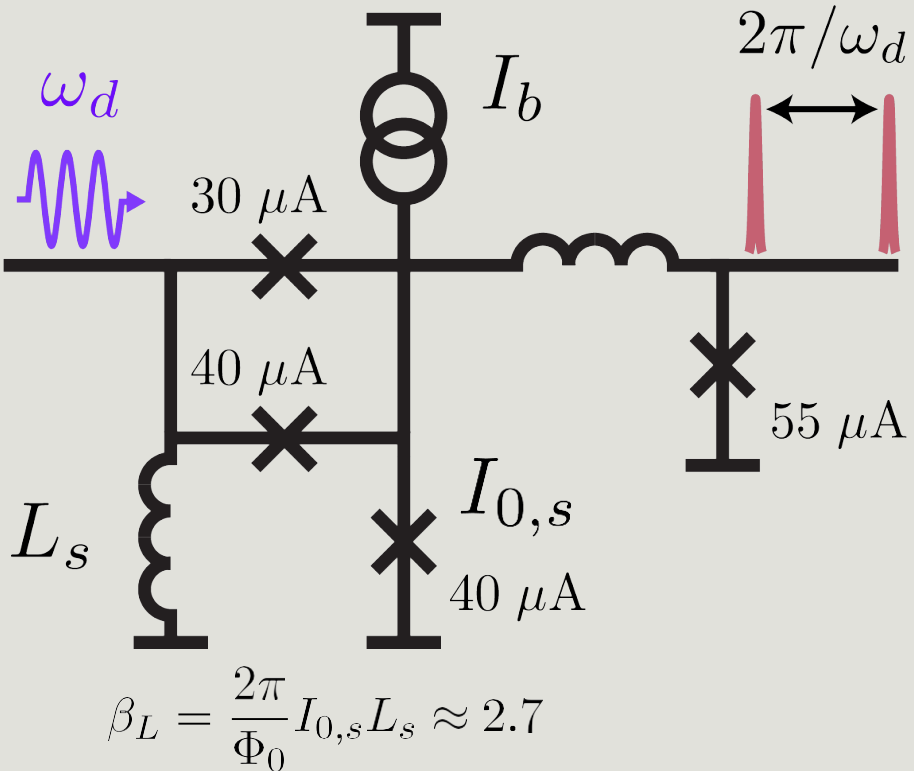


$$V(t) = \frac{\Phi_0}{2\pi} \frac{\partial \delta}{\partial t} \quad \Phi_0 \approx 2 \text{ mV} \times \text{ps}$$

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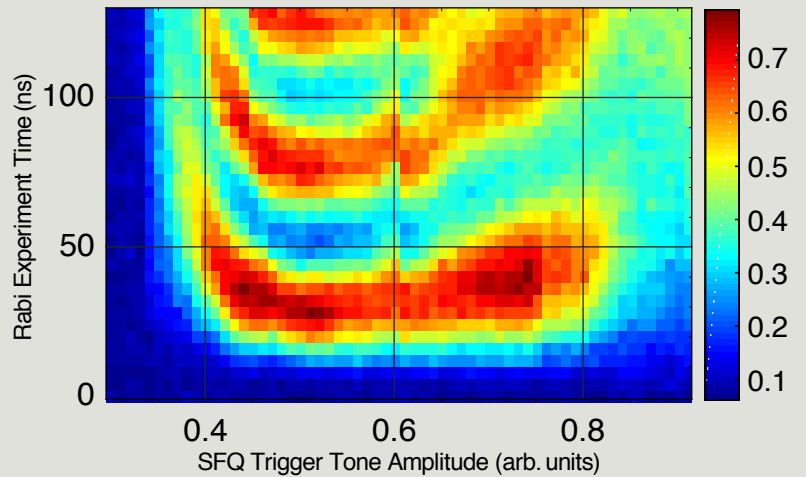
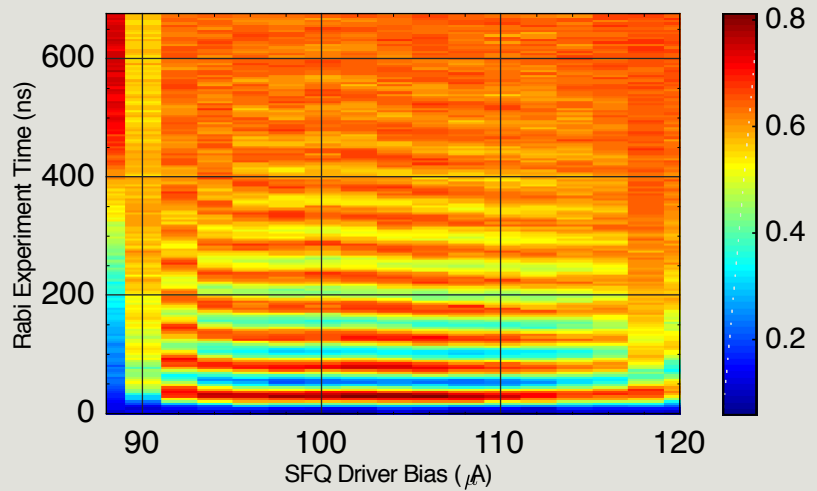
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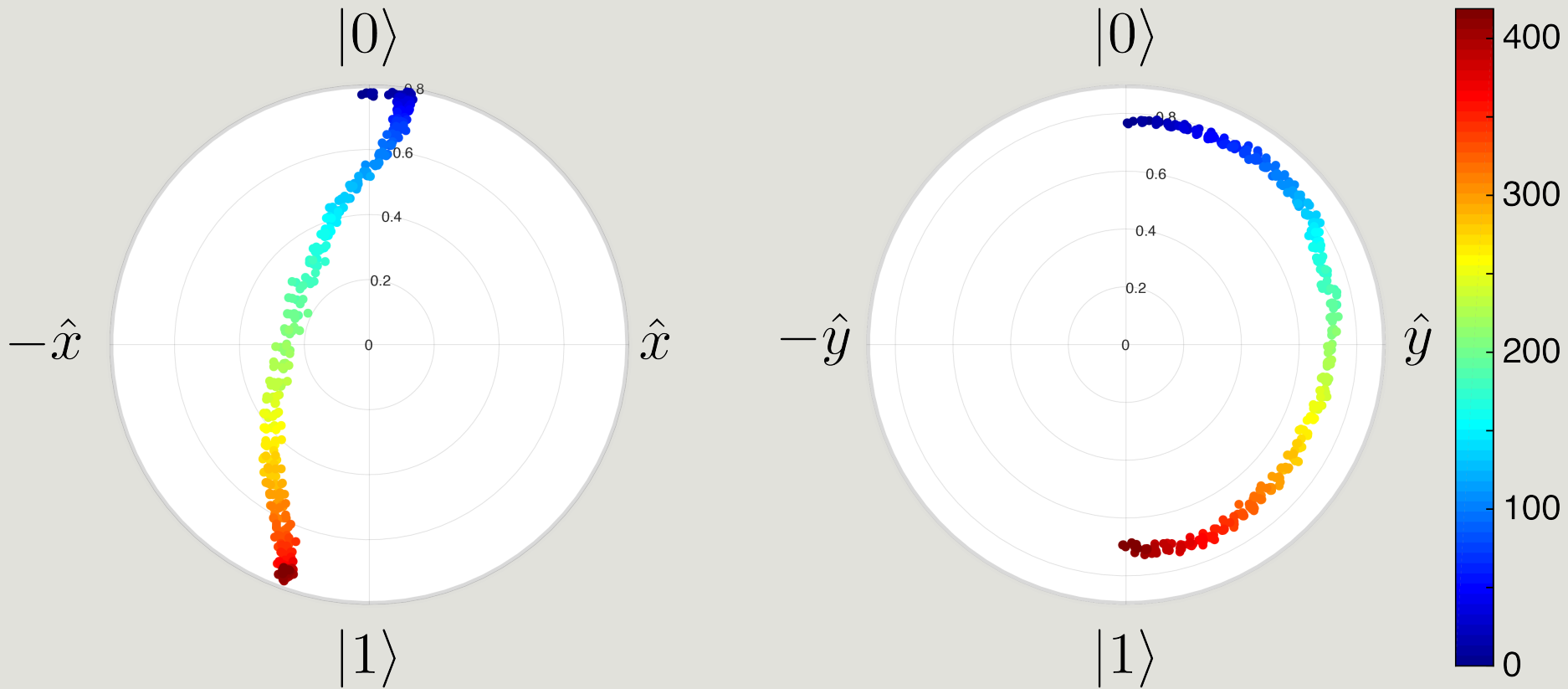
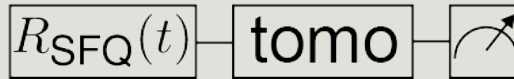


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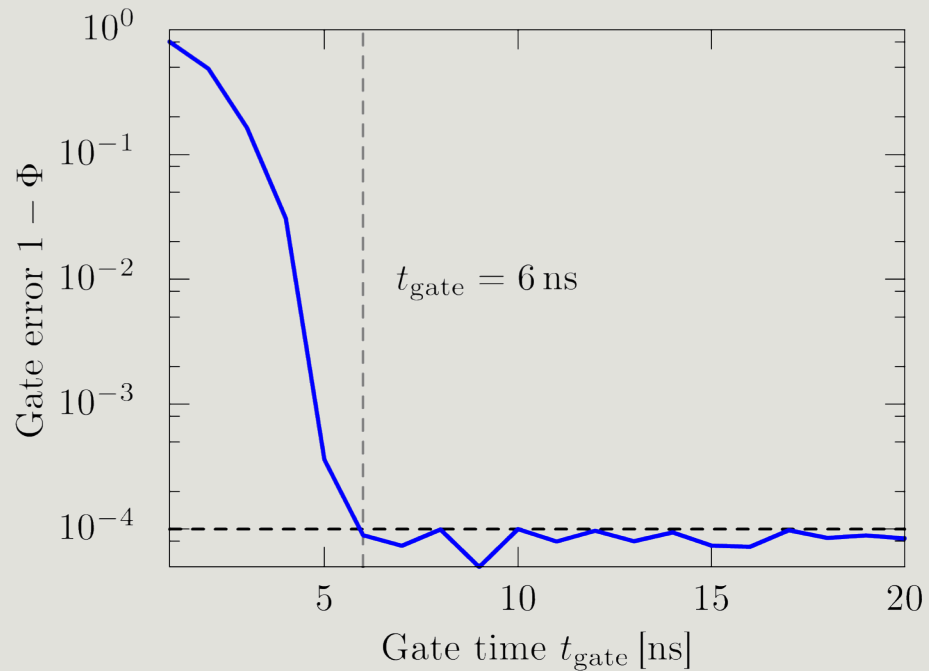
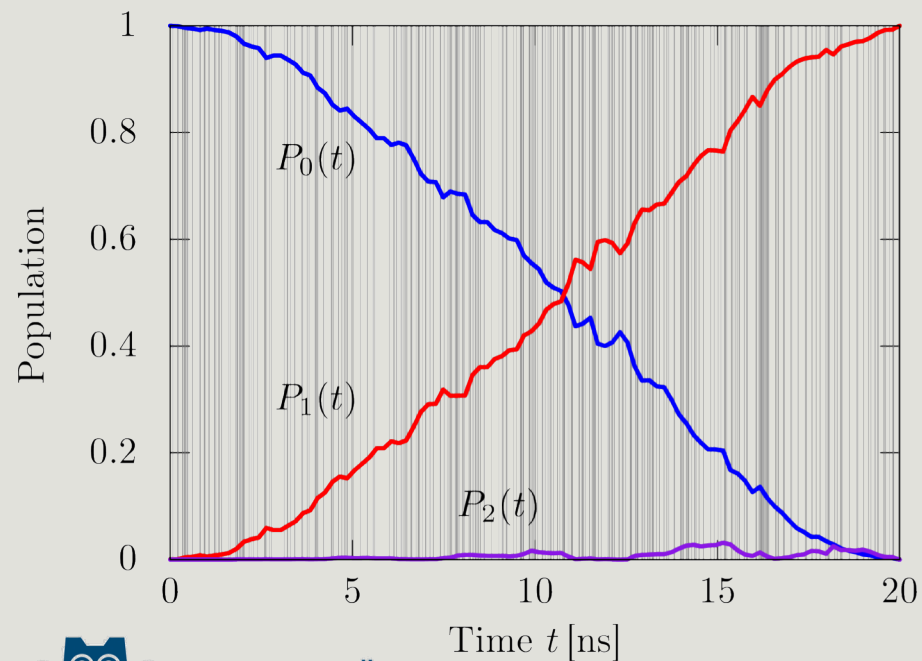
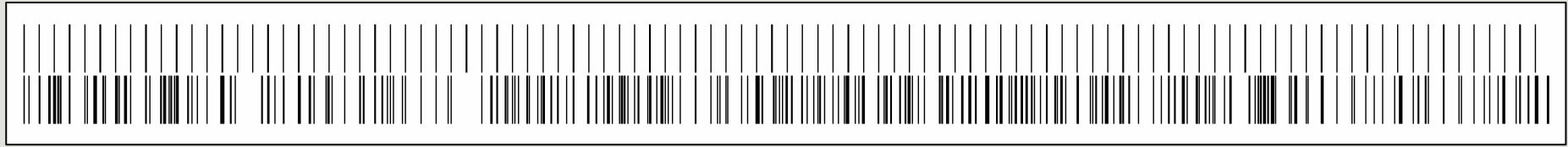
Converter Bias Stability



SFQ Rotation Trajectory

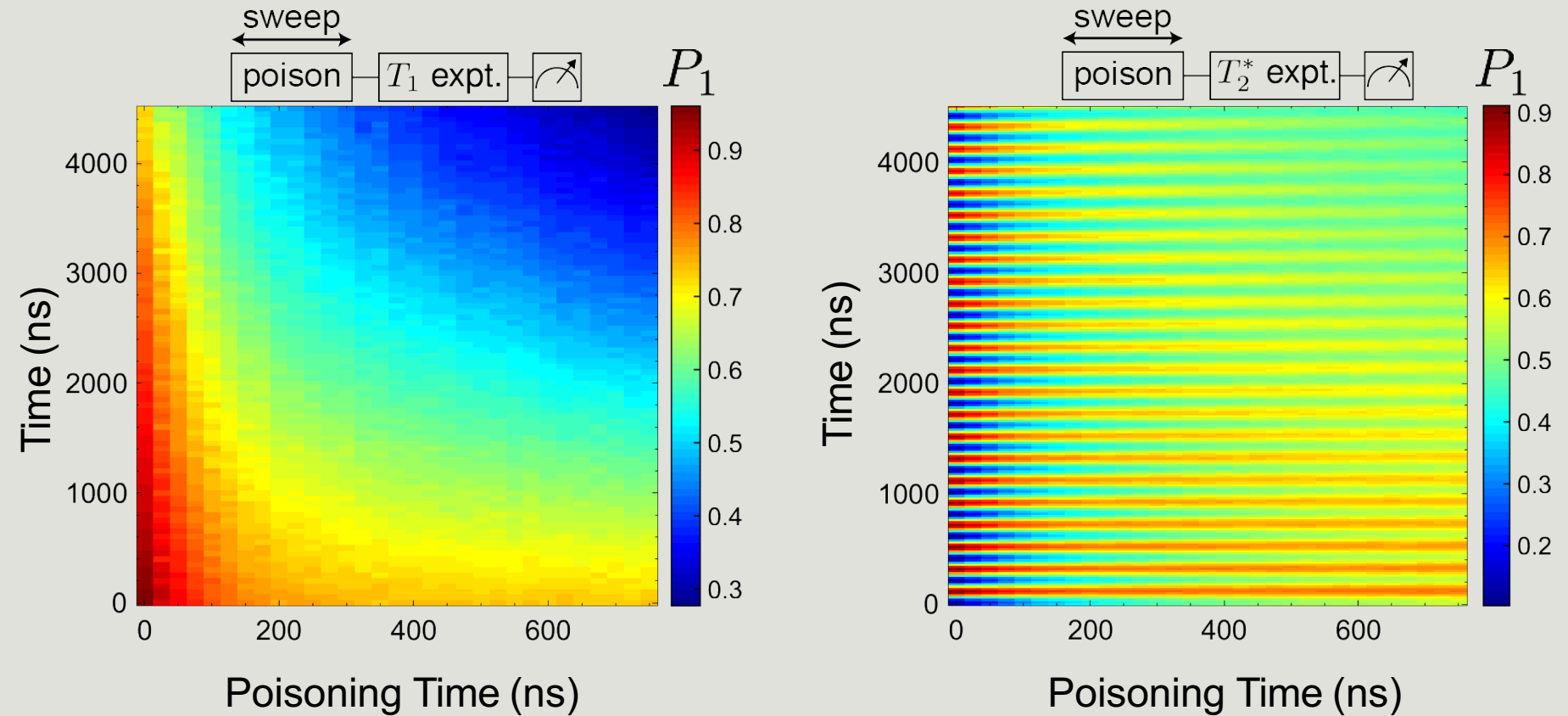


Optimal Control Prevents Leakage

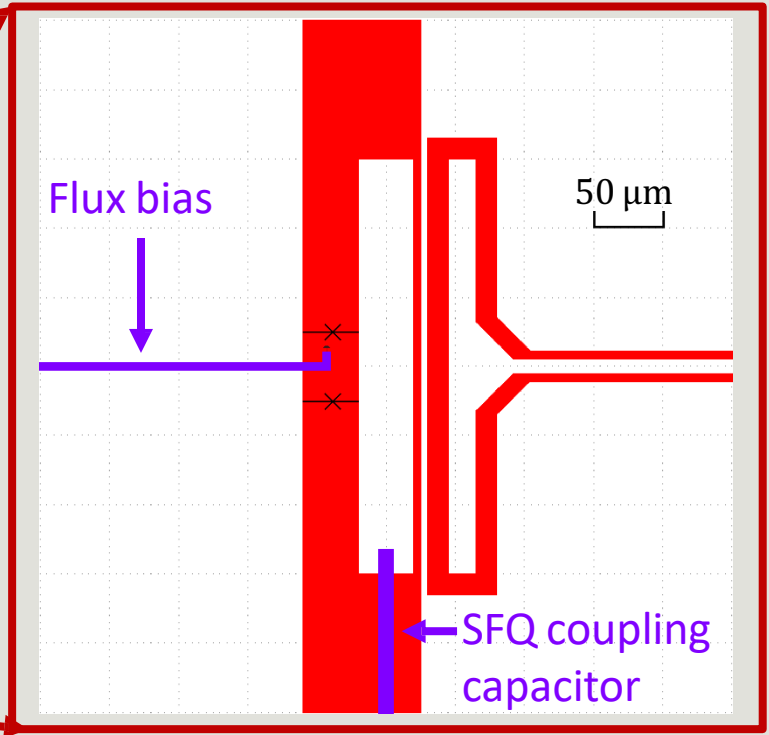
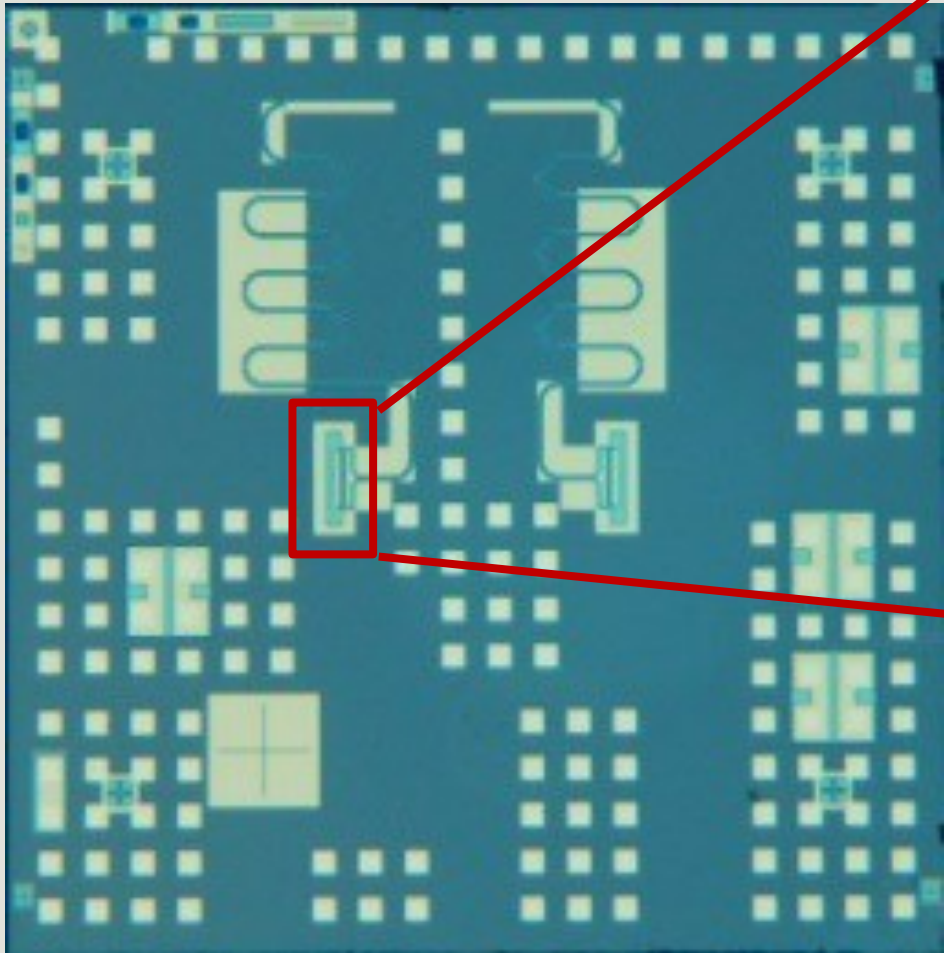


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Quasiparticle Poisoning



Multi-chip module circuit design: quantum



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