

# Quantum computation boosting novel superconducting and hybrid solutions and the impact of PNRR in Italy

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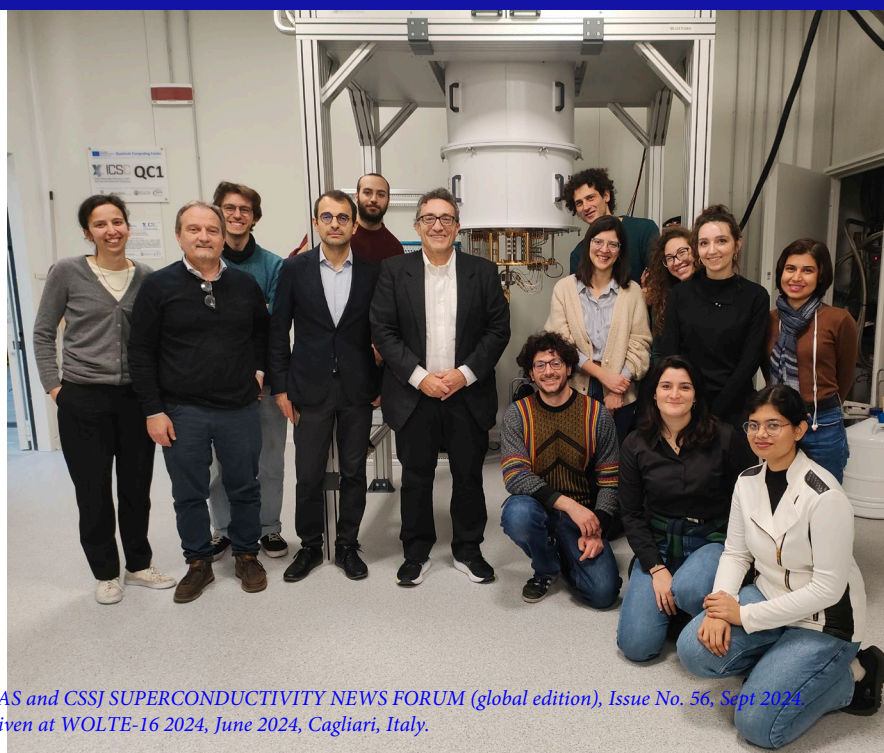


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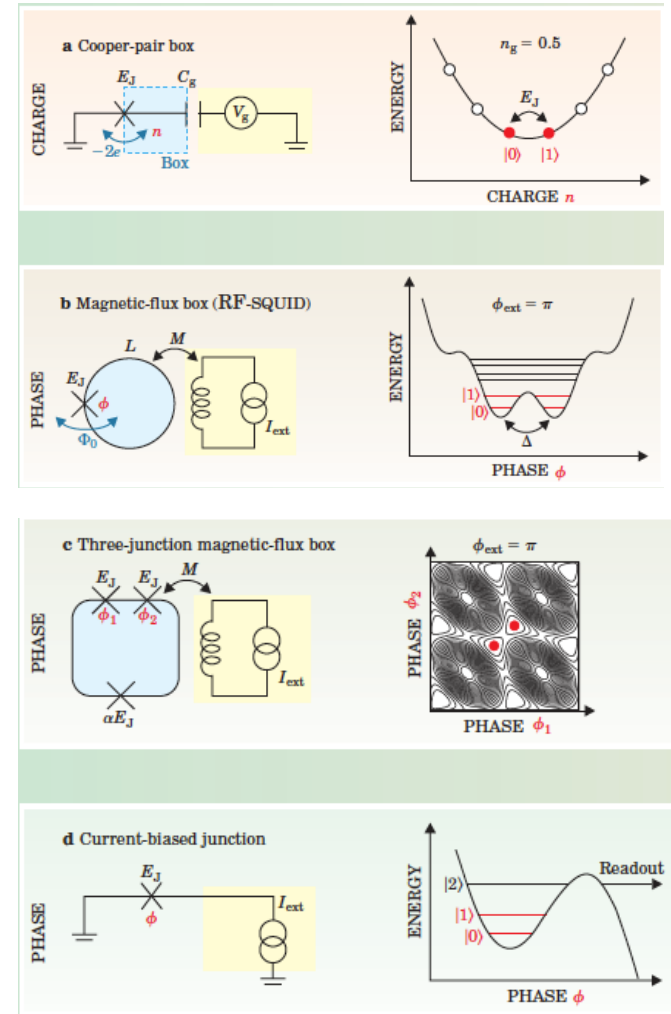
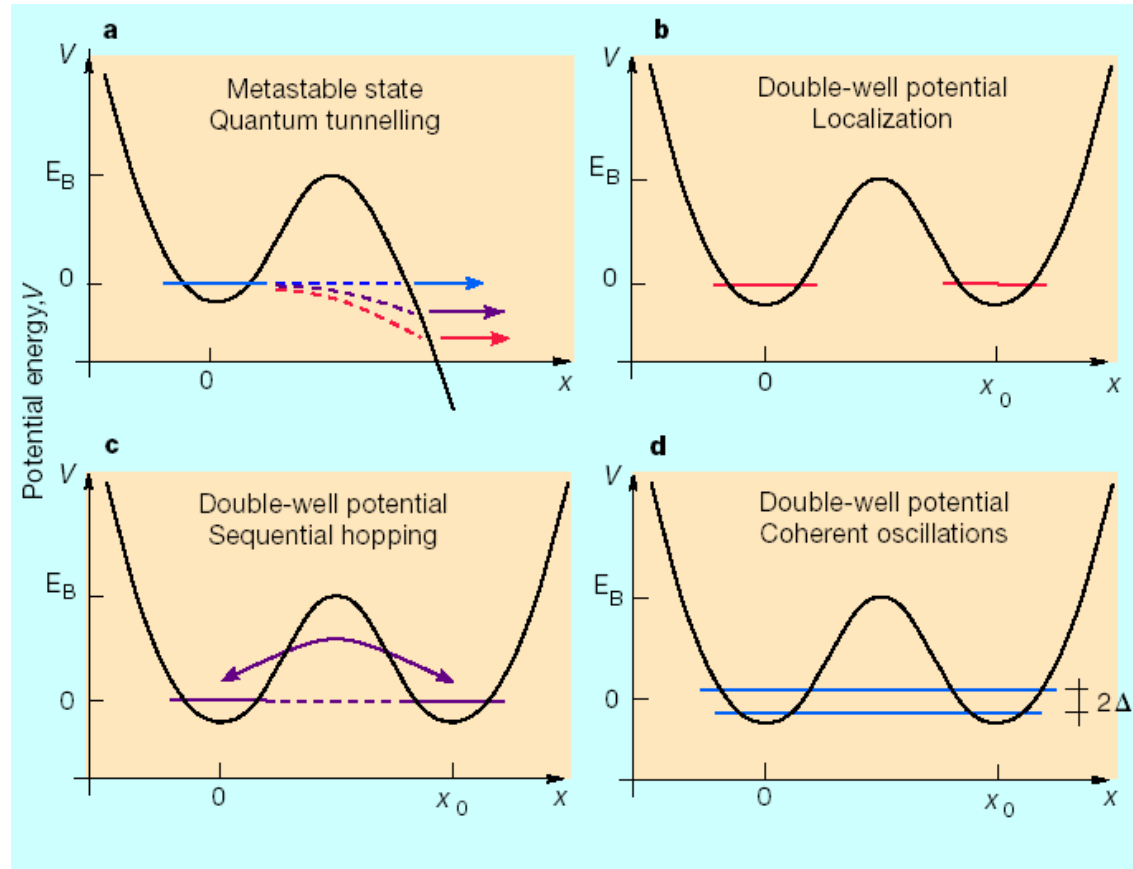
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# Schrödinger's cat is now fat

Gianni Blatter

Schrödinger's dead-and-alive cat was a thought experiment applying the physics of electrons and atoms to our macroscopic world. New experiments with superconductors narrow the gap between theoretical ideas and reality.



## Superconducting Circuits and Quantum Information

Superconducting circuits can behave like atoms making transitions between two levels. Such circuits can test quantum mechanics at macroscopic scales and be used to conduct atomic-physics experiments on a silicon chip.

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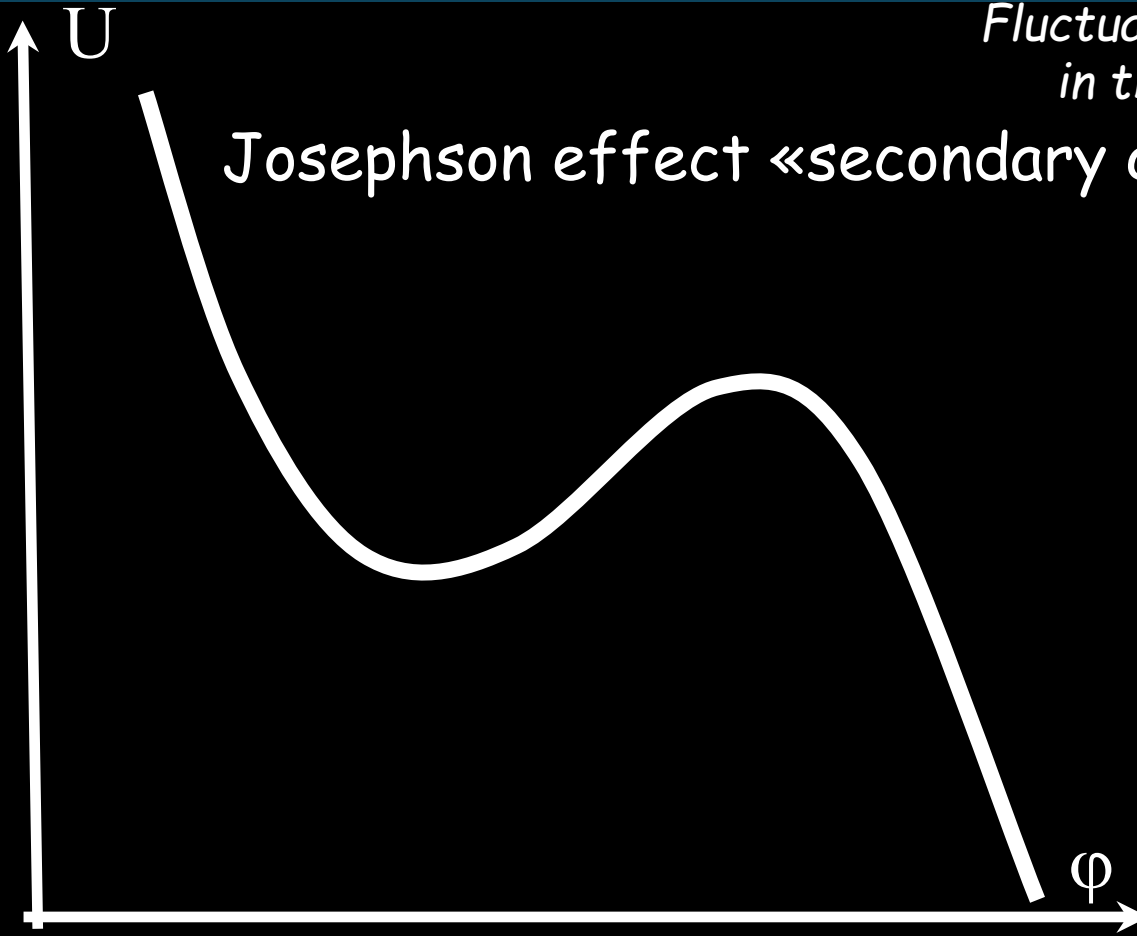
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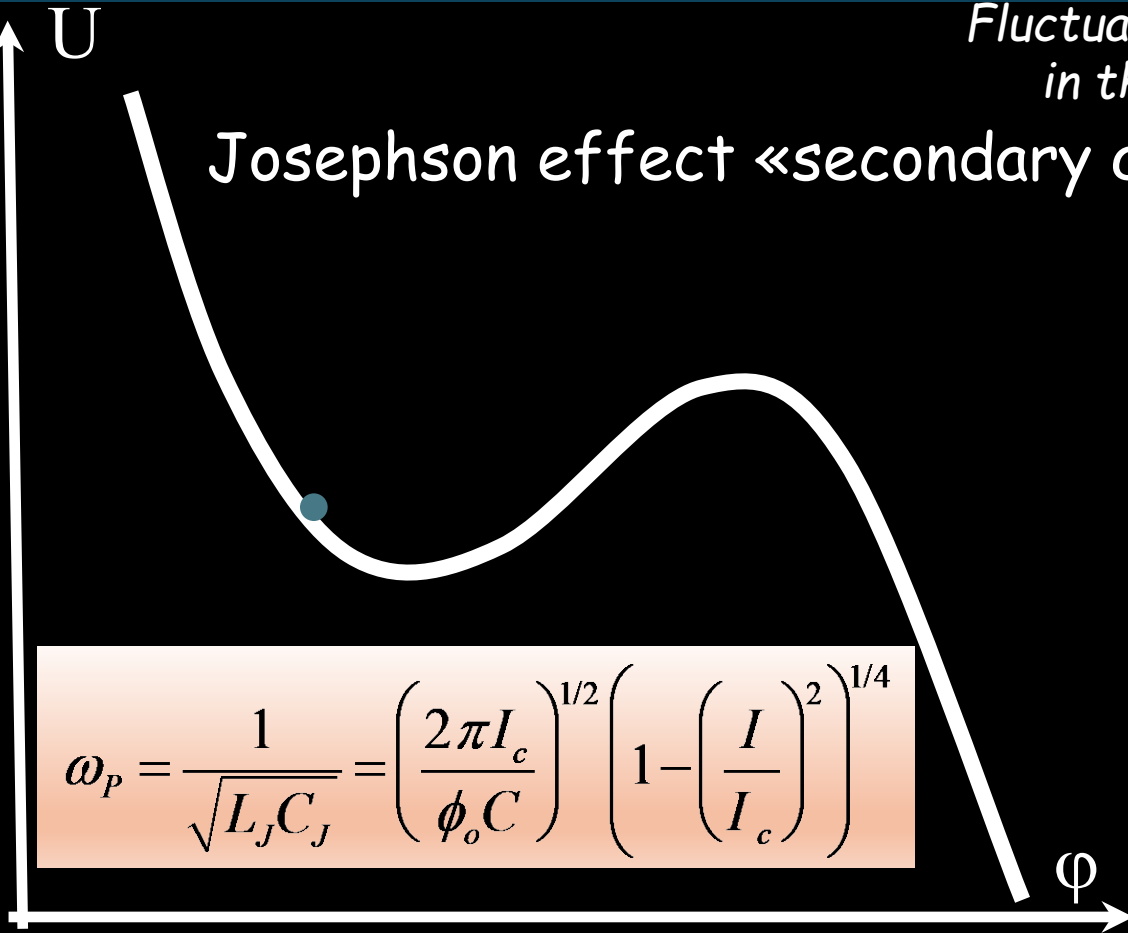
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**Superconducting phase qubits**

John M. Martinis

Superconducting qubit research began in the 1980s motivated by the question, posed by Anthony Leggett, whether macroscopic variables would behave in a quantum mechanical fashion [23]. Initial experiments verified quantum behavior via the phenomenon of tunneling out of the zero-voltage state of a current-biased Josephson junction [7]. At UC Berkeley, quantum mechanical behavior was also demonstrated by the existence of quantized energy levels [28]. This observation provided stronger proof of quantum behavior, and established at an early stage (before the ideas of qubits were even widely established) that superconducting circuits could be used as general quantum systems [3].

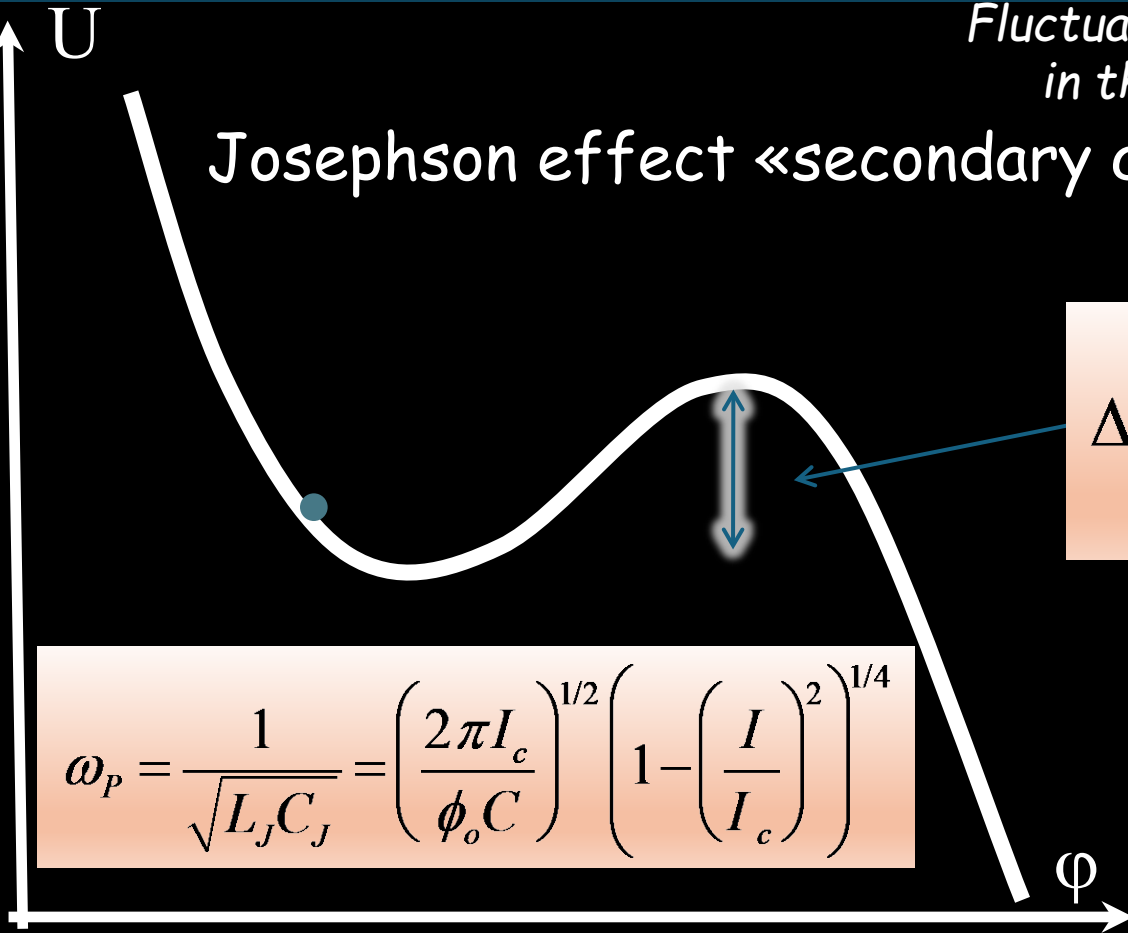
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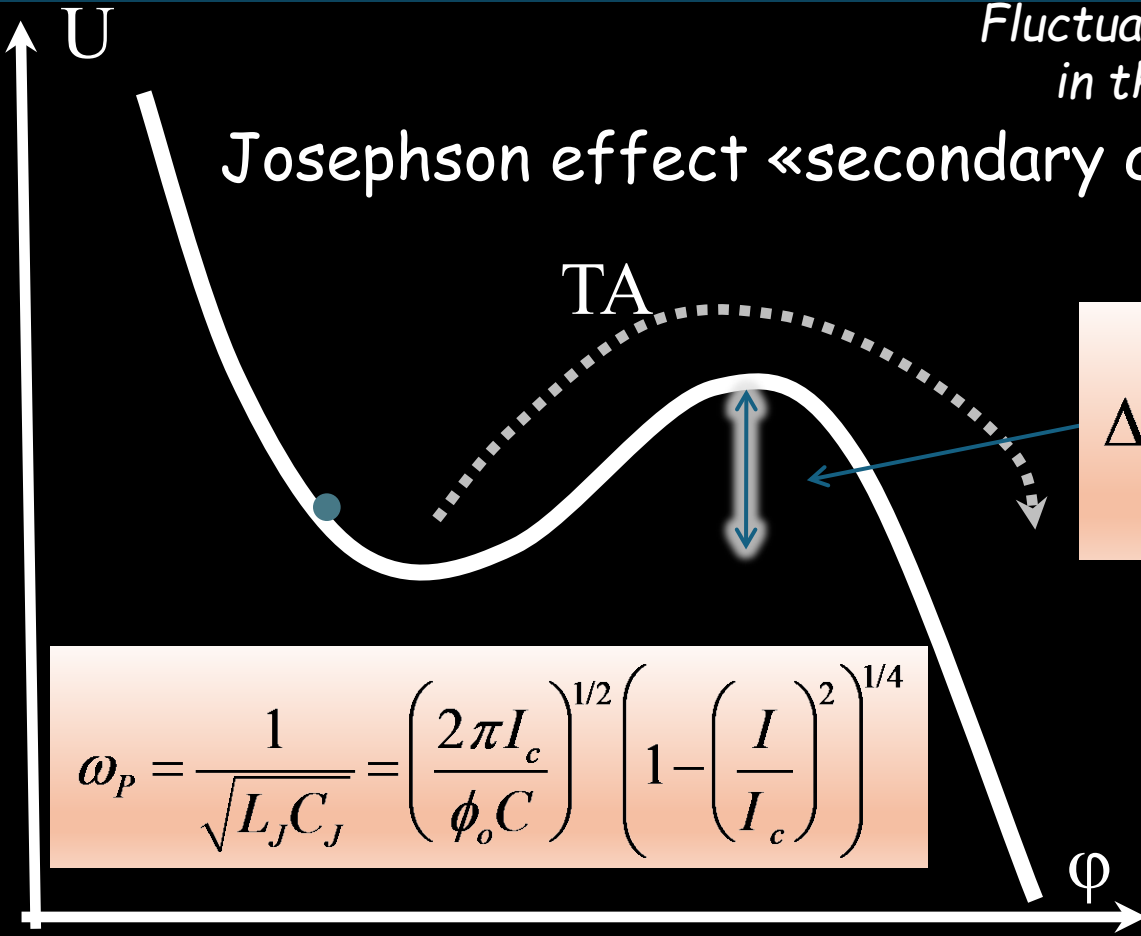
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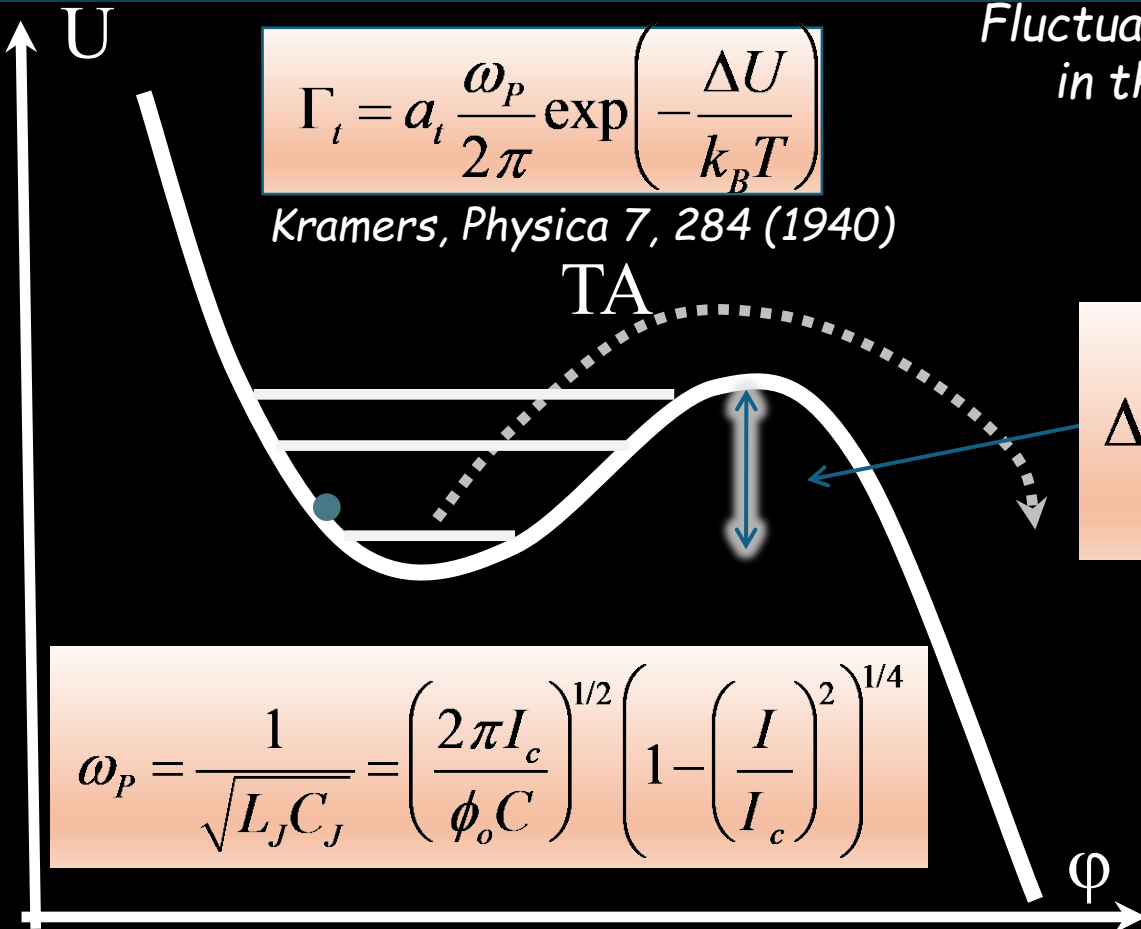
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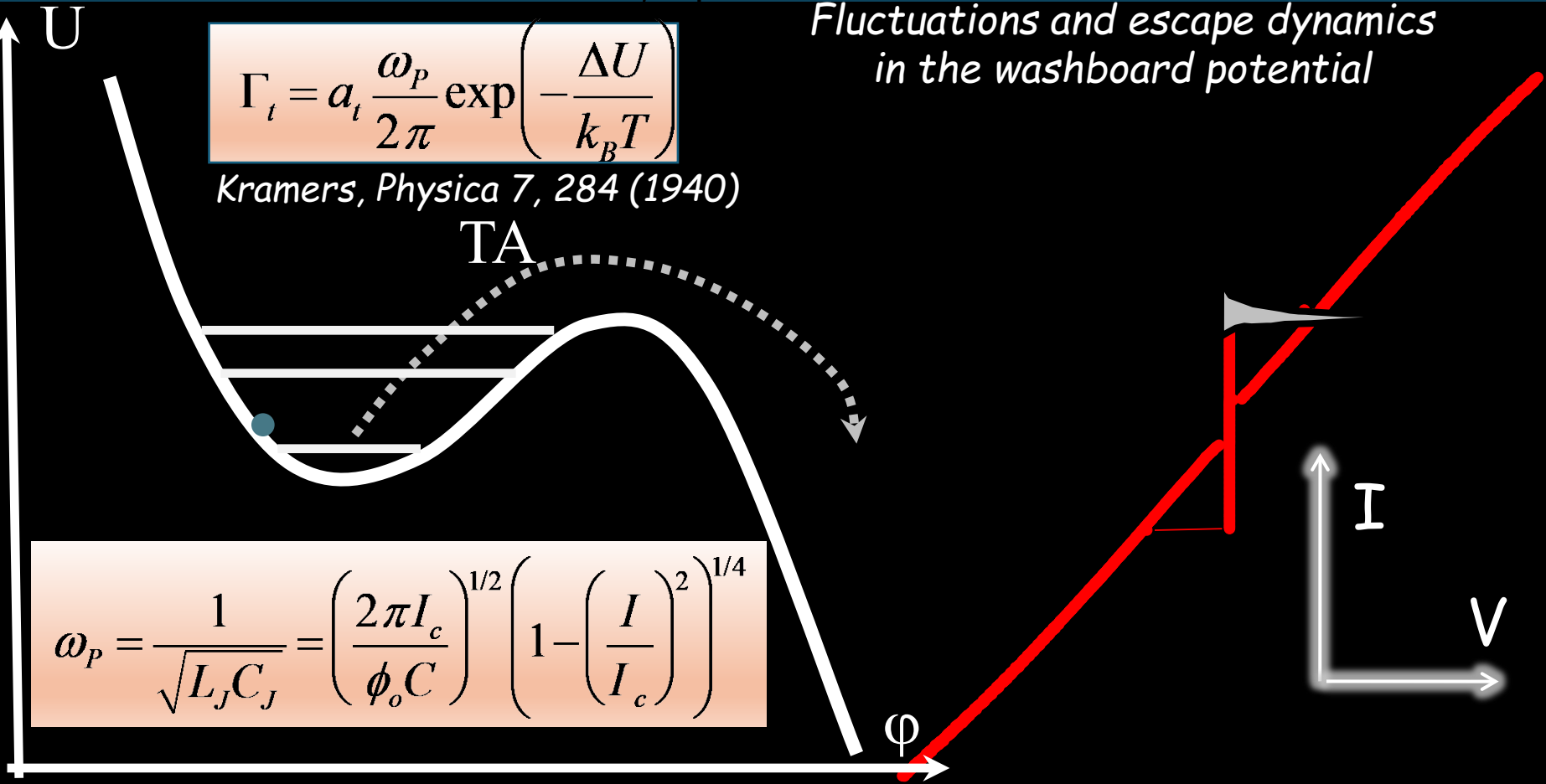
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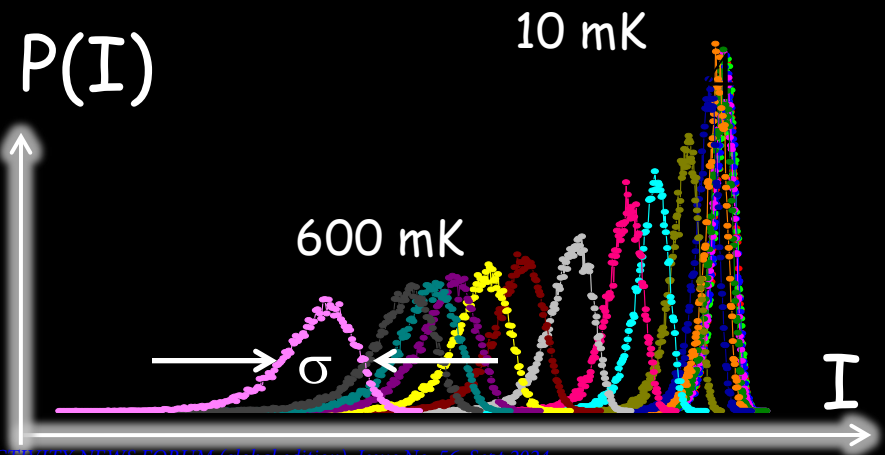
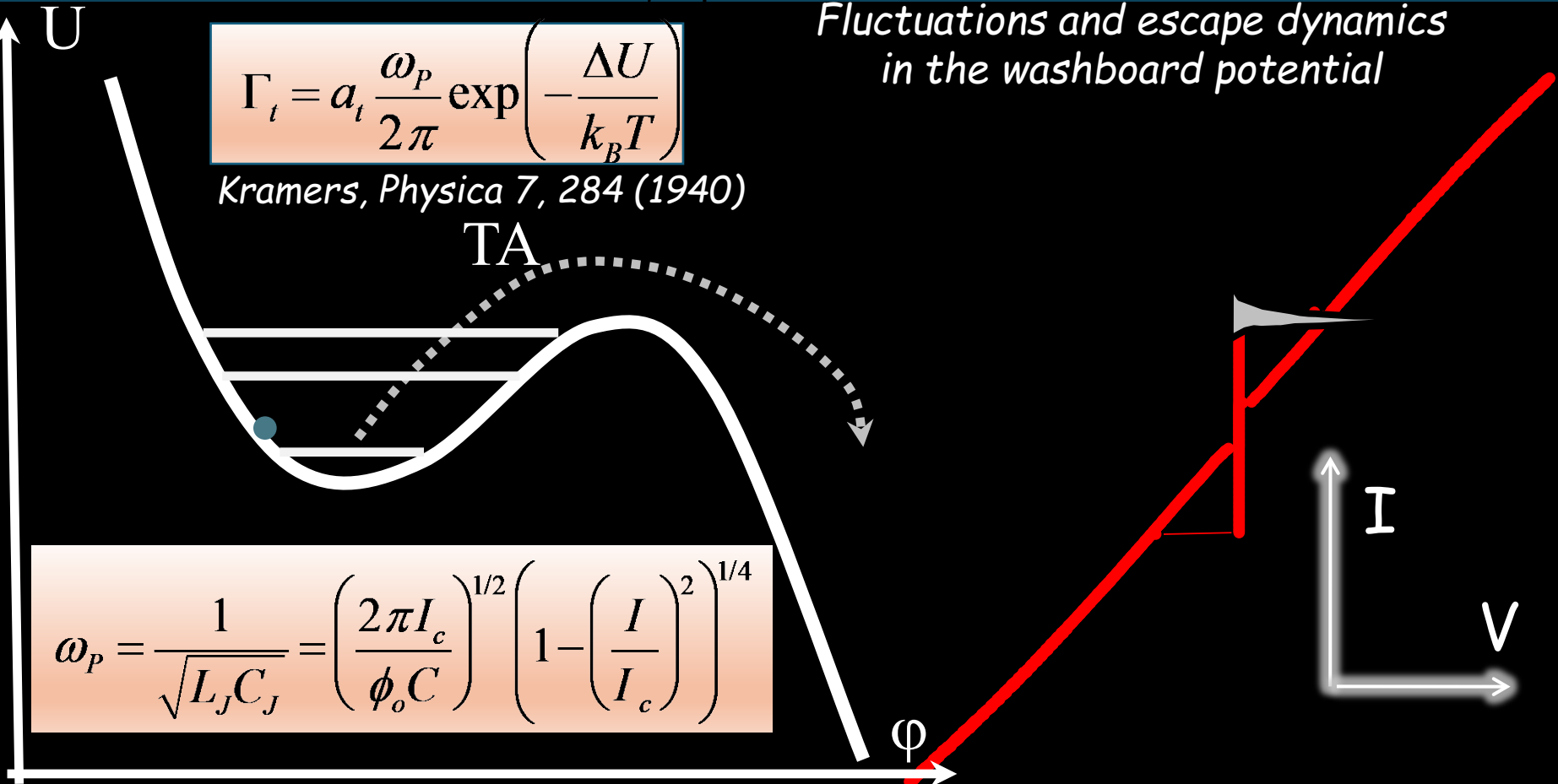


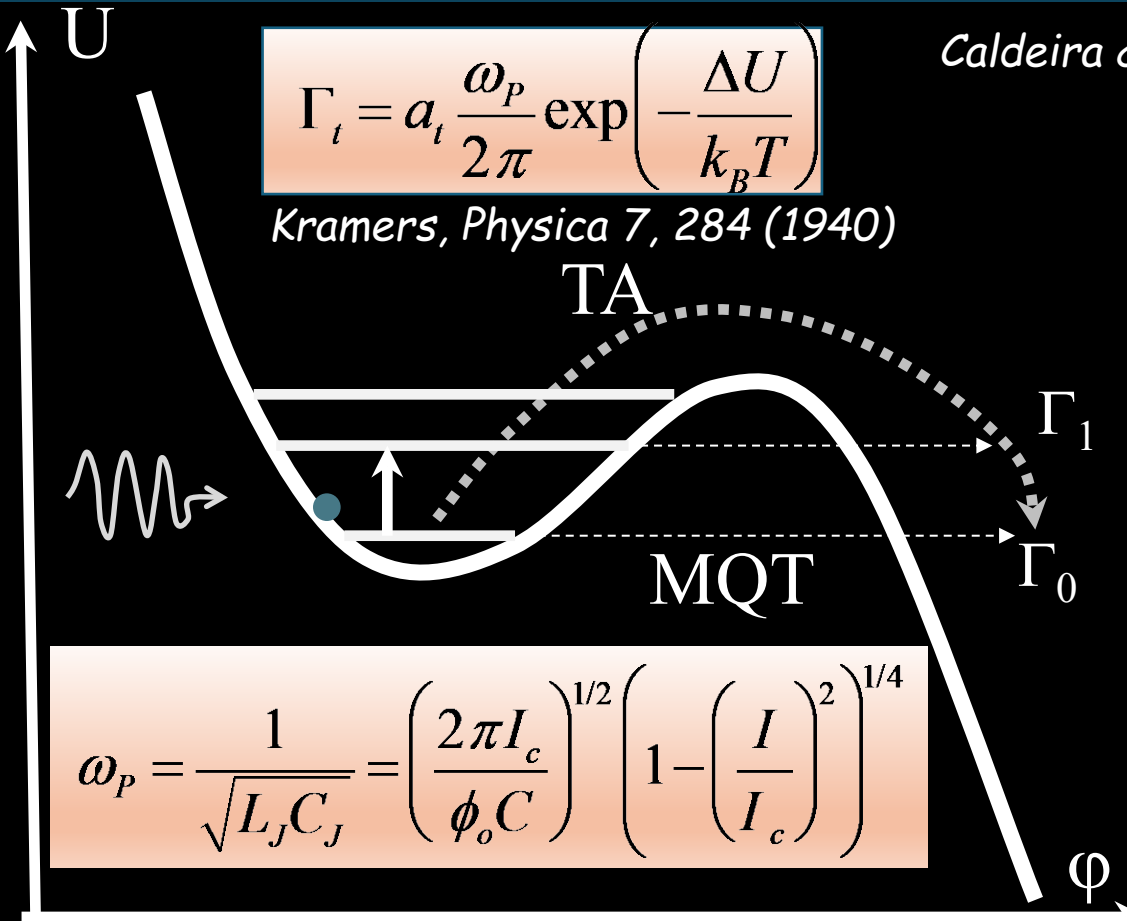
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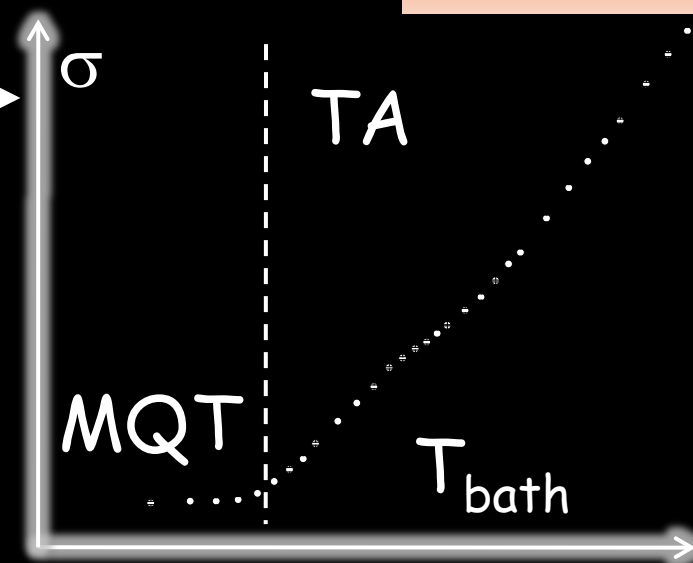
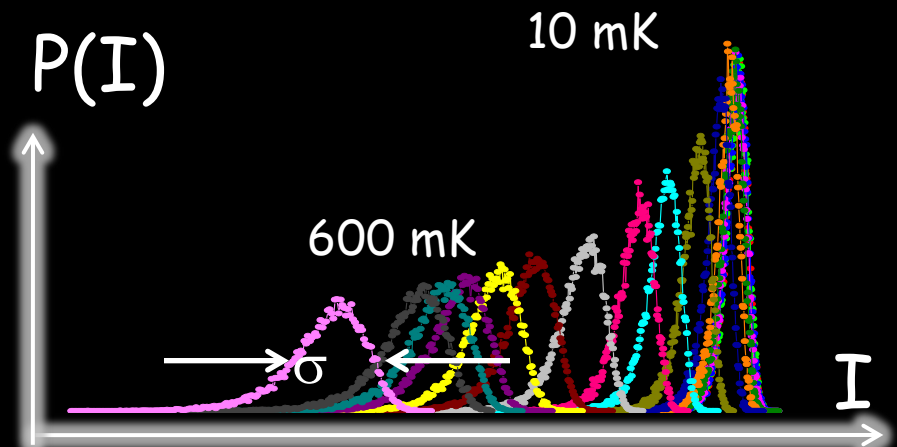
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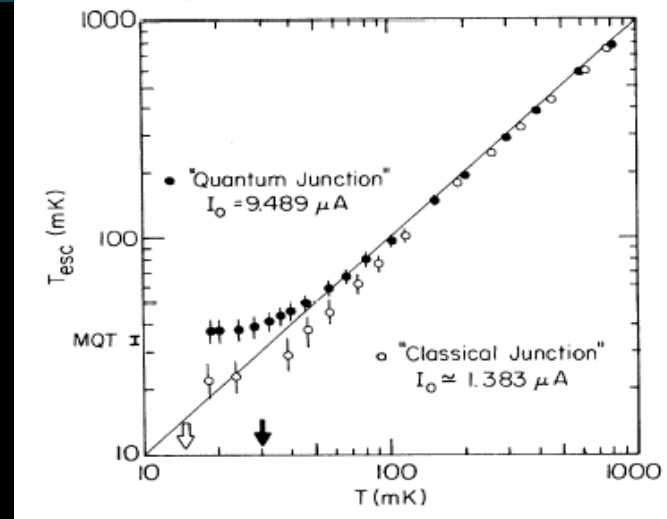
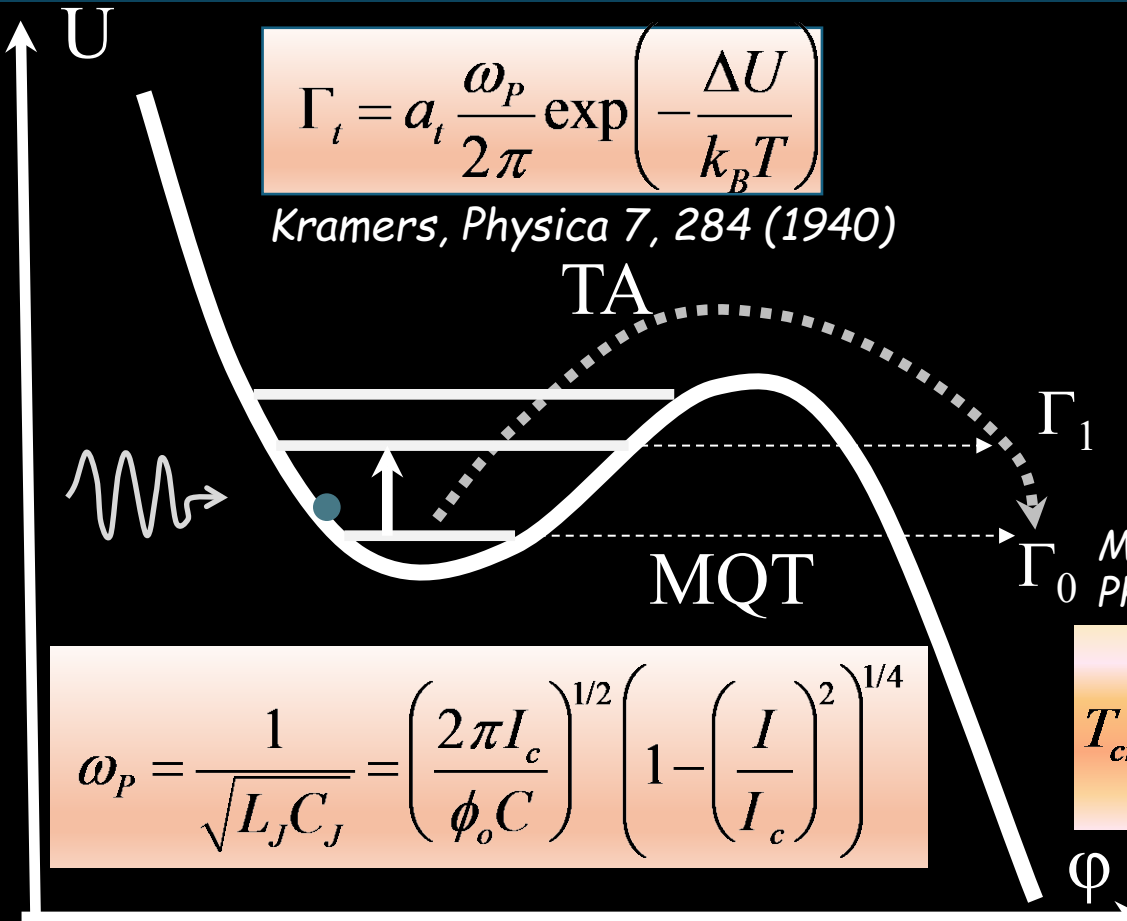




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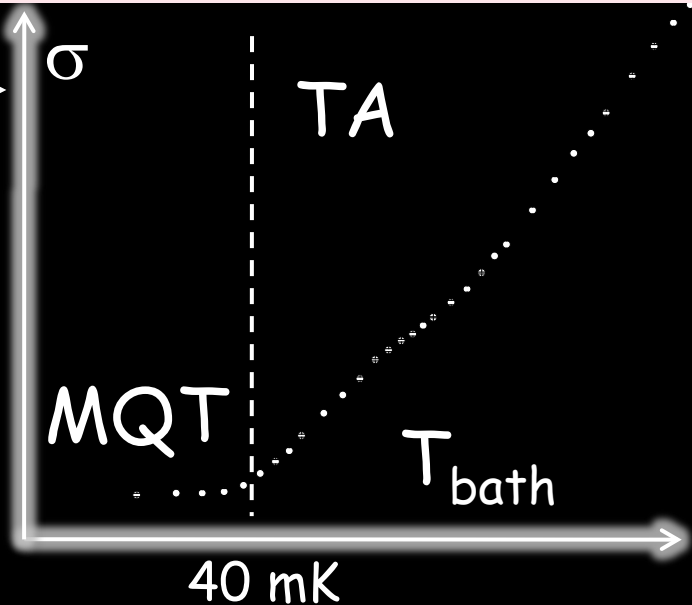
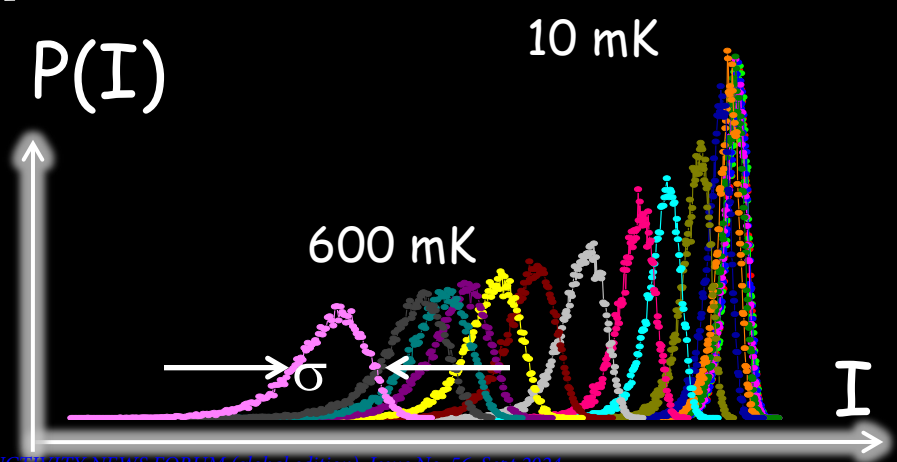




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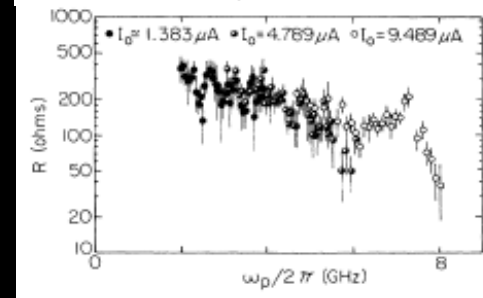
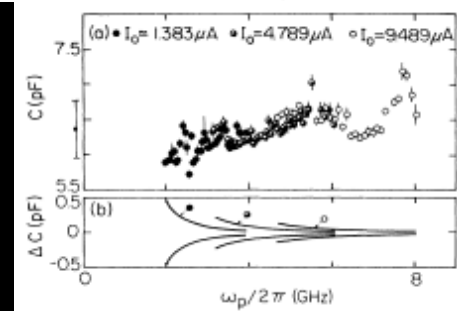
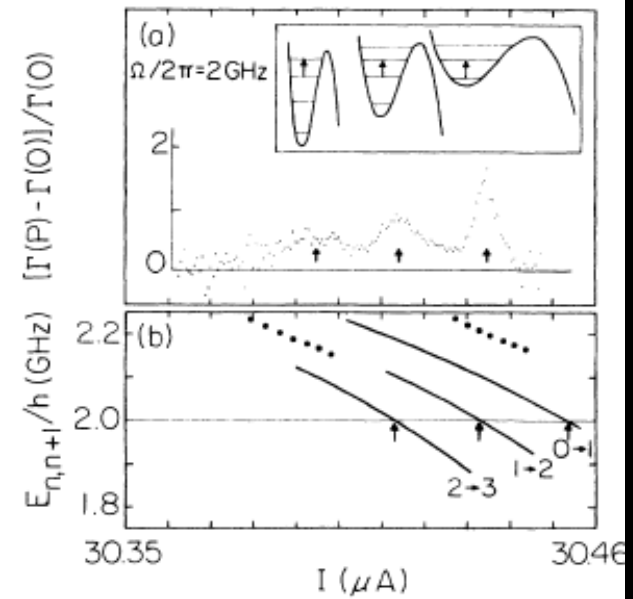
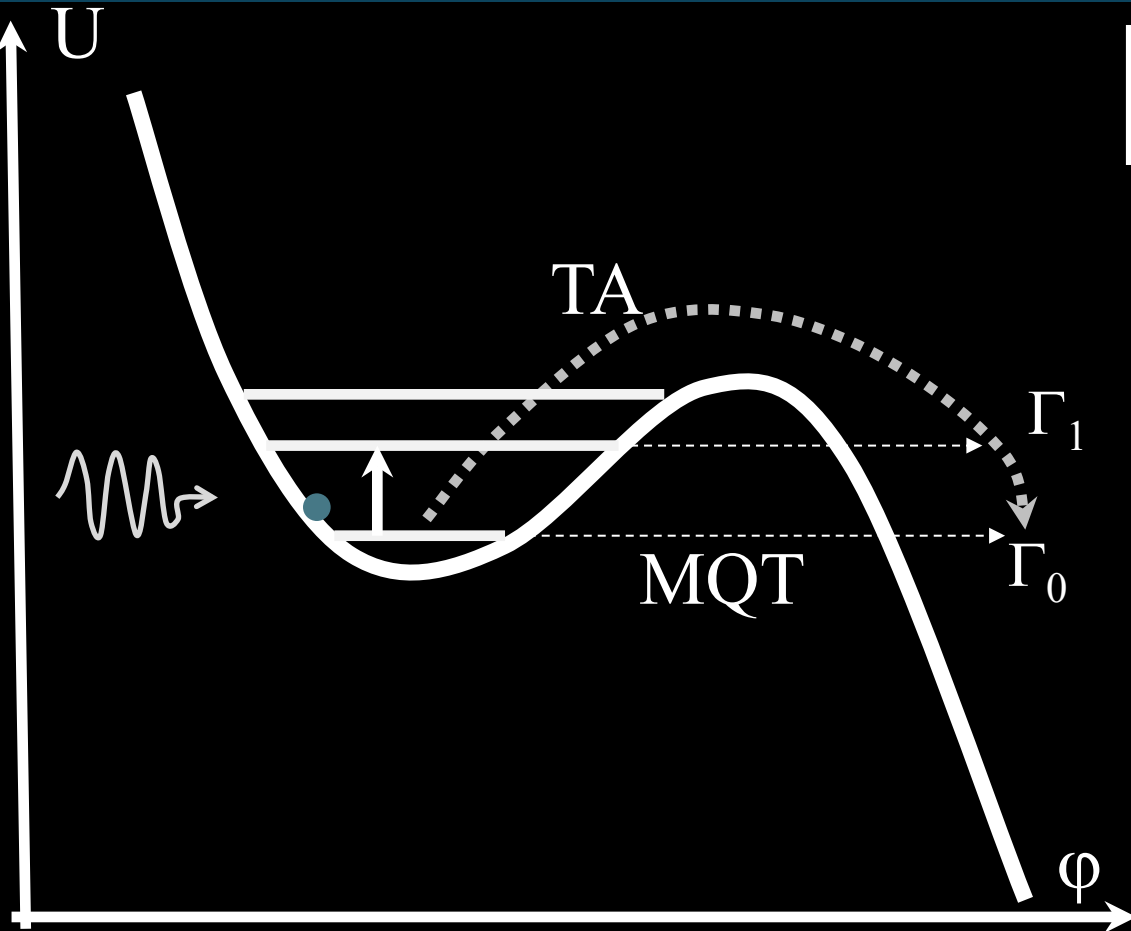
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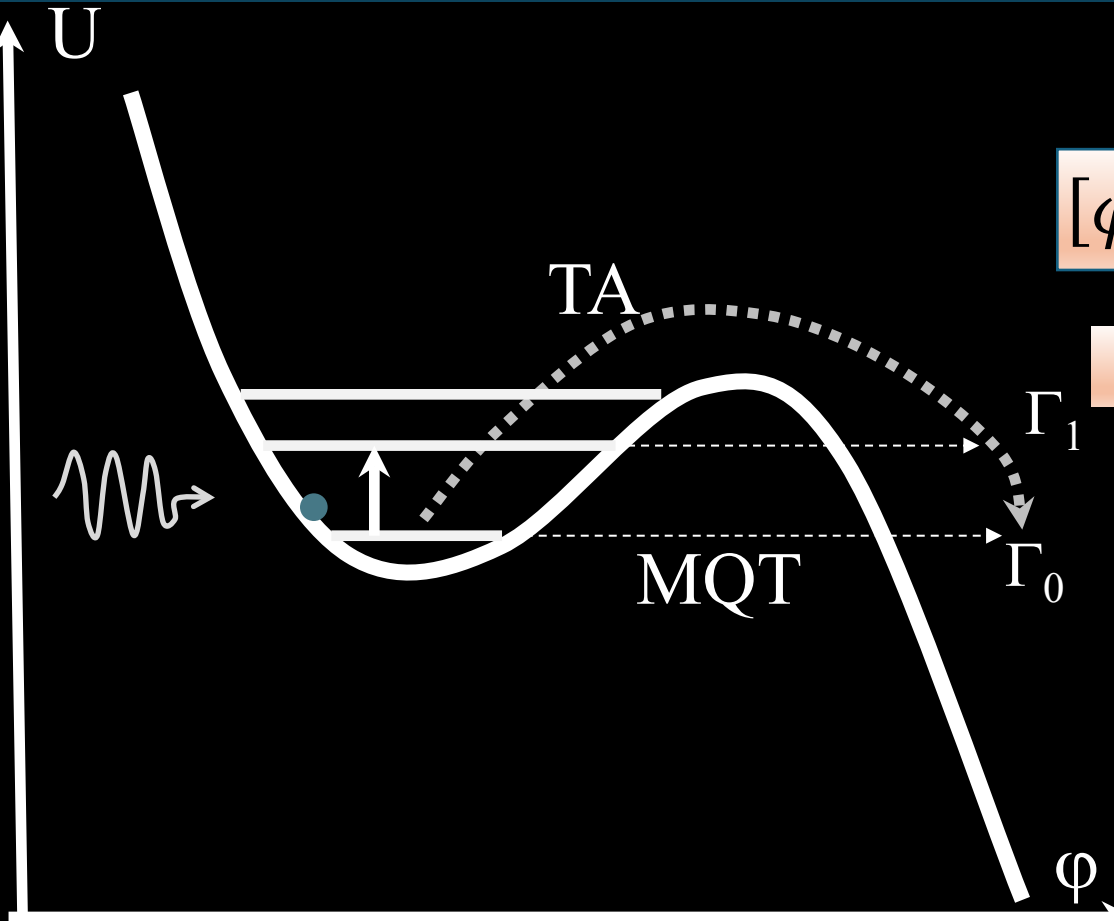
$$T_{cr} = \frac{h\omega_p}{2\pi k_B} \left\{ \left[ 1 + \left(\frac{1}{2Q}\right)^2 \right]^{1/2} - \frac{1}{2Q} \right\}$$



Measurements of Macroscopic Quantum Tunneling out of the Zero-Voltage State of a Current-Biased Josephson Junction

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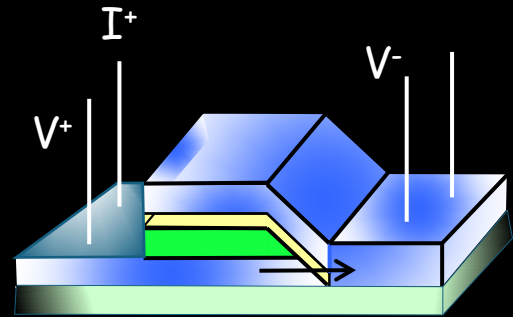
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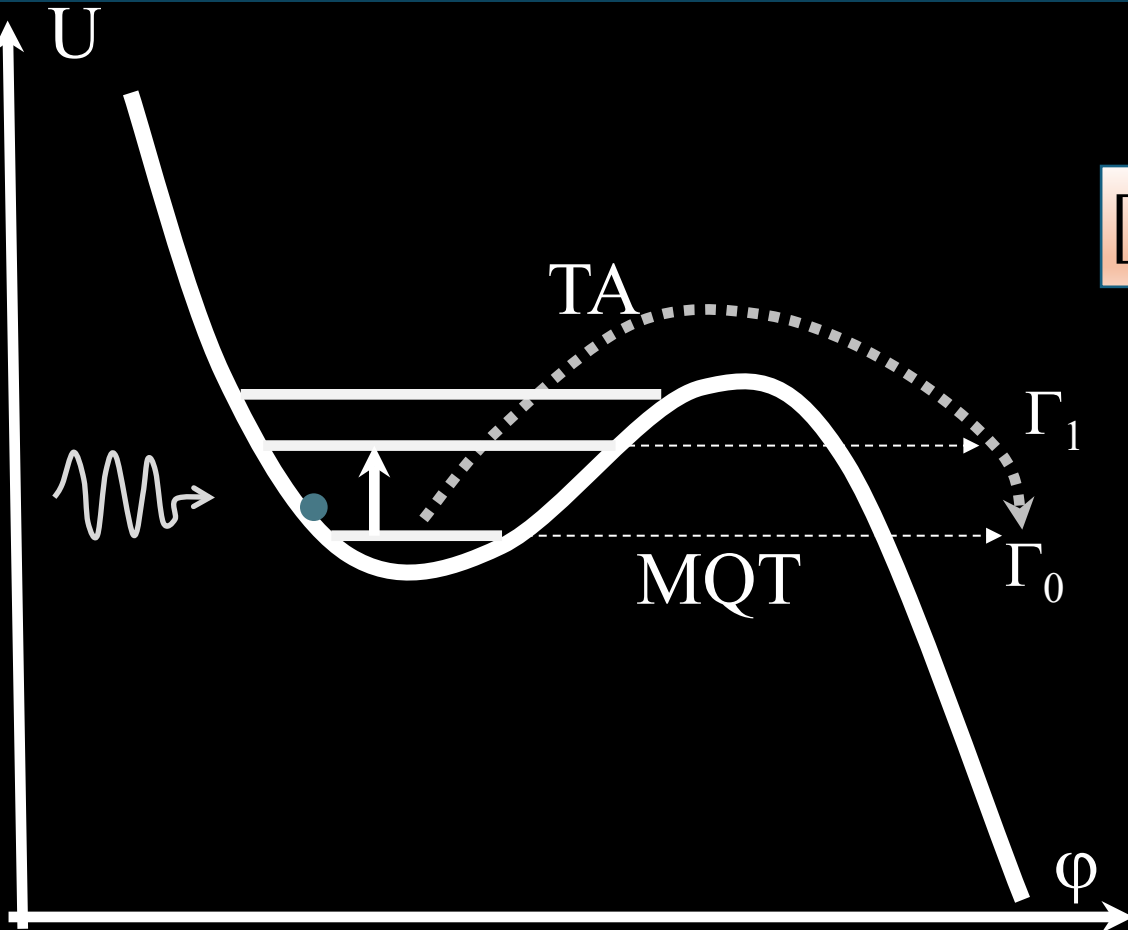
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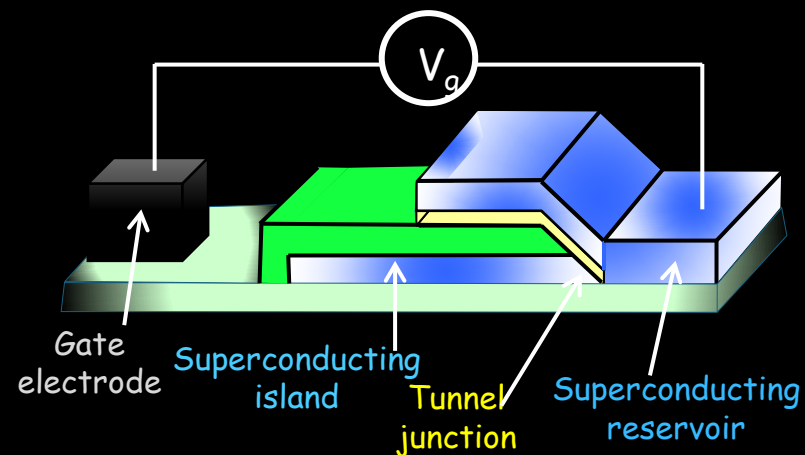
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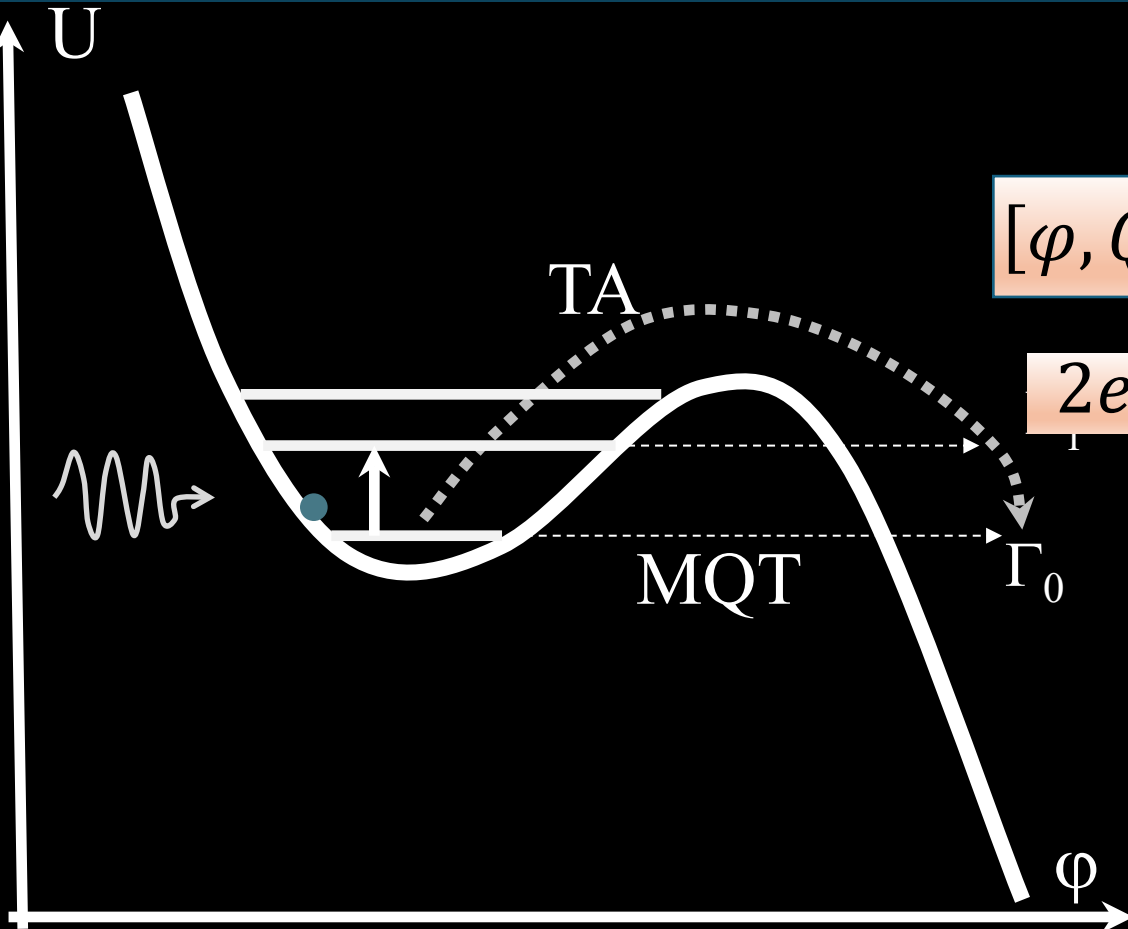
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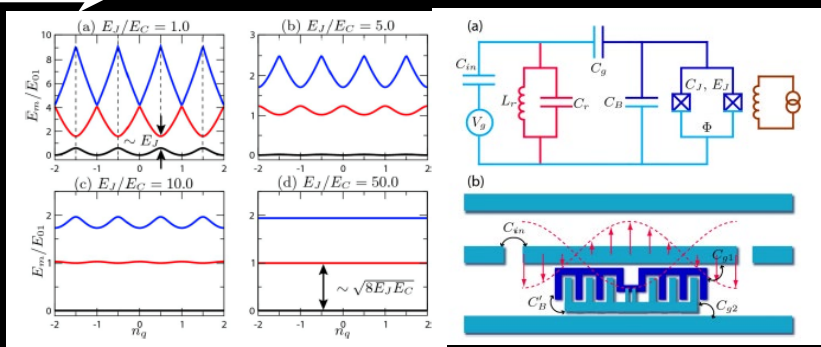
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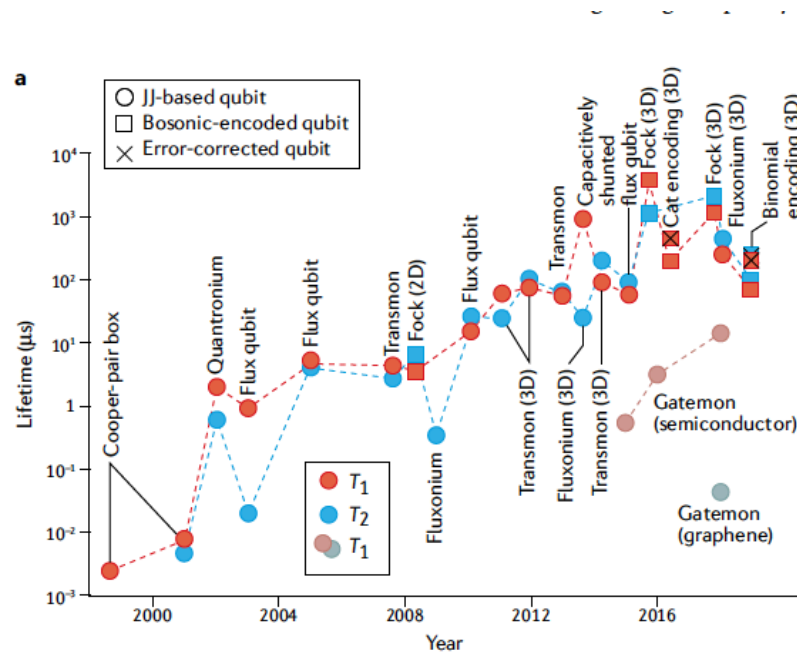


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- Topology of the circuit
- Optimization of architecture, of every single step in fabrication, including read-out and control
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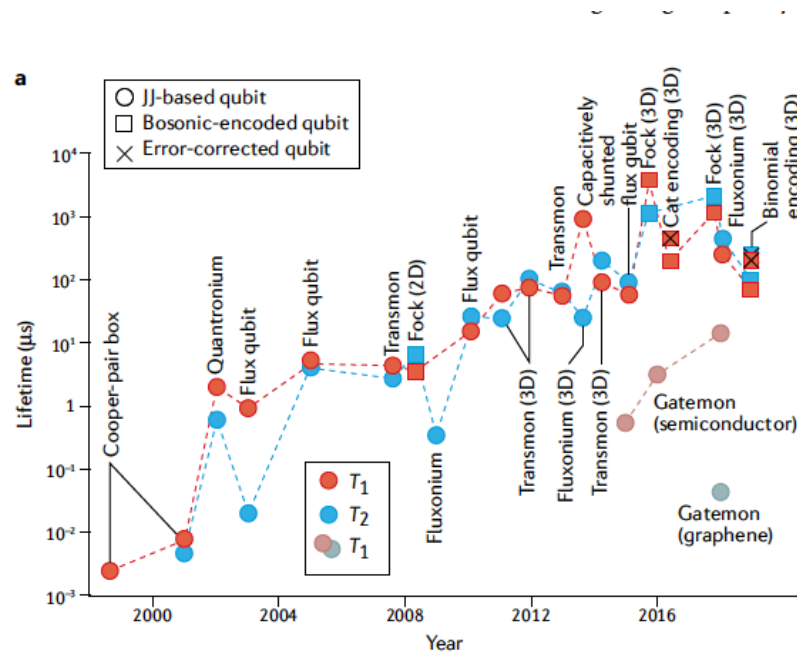
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Mesoscopic Josephson junctions, consisting of overlapping superconducting electrodes separated by a nanometre-thin oxide layer, provide a precious source of nonlinearity for superconducting quantum circuits. Here we show that in a fluxonium qubit, the role of the Josephson

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simulator. Superconducting circuits offer flexibility in qubit design; however,



# Some kind of Univ. Napoli Roadmap

Quantum computation

Quantum communication

Superconducting quantum circuits and qubit architectures

Alternative qubit layouts, hybrid JJs, transmon and fluxonium

Tunable emerging electronic configurations in hybrid/topological systems, Twisted 2D layered materials hosting angle-dependent bands

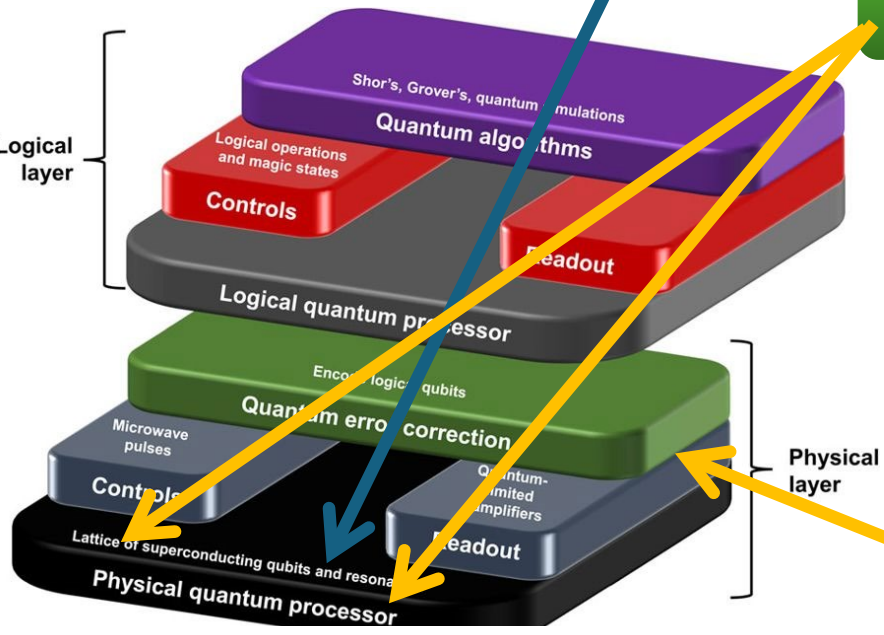
Ferro-transmon, based on JJs with ferromagnetic barriers

Standard approach AI technology

control and readout and phase-sensitive devices

running 25 (→40) qubits computer

Running classical/quantum algorithms





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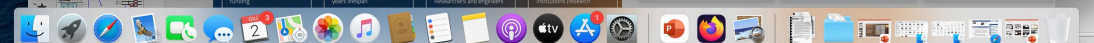
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- **State of the art.** Different architectures are being pursued in academic and industrial fields worldwide: qubits based on superconductors, semiconductors, trapped ions, integrated photonics, topological qubits, molecular spin qubits and degenerate gases. The Italian system has extensive experimental, theoretical and technological expertise in several of these platforms: photonics quantum information processing, quantum simulation with atomic systems, superconducting systems, semiconductors and qubits based on magnetic molecules.
- **Objective and impact:** to make Italy a key player in the field of QT for computers and simulators as a supplier of enabling technologies, as a developer of integrated platforms and algorithms, and as an industrial end user; to equip the Italian system with a quantum computing/simulation infrastructure at the forefront in Europe. The impact of this effort is enormous on enabling technologies in our country. The search for QT-based solutions fuels a transformative and cutting-edge industry, in terms of both small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and large industries, in various fields - integrated electronic circuits for control and readout (TRL 8), integrated photonics (TRL 7), innovative materials (TRL 5-7), cutting-edge cryogenics (TRL 7), other components and control software (TRL 7) to manage the new hardware effectively.
- **Strategy:** 1. Strengthen, from a theoretical and experimental point of view, the platforms for quantum computation and simulation in which Italy has extensive expertise (superconductors, semiconductors, magnetic molecules, integrated photonics, atomic systems), perfecting their technology; 2. Demonstrate and use the quantum advantage in the NISQ (Noisy, Intermediate-Scale Quantum) regime, based on the development of already available imperfect machines, integrating quantum computing techniques with those of High Performance Computing; 3. Achieve the full power of quantum computing, by implementing quantum error correction, with codes targeted on specific platforms; 4. Develop new quantum algorithms, for the solution of numerous highly complex problems and 5. Develop a transformative and cutting-edge industry, in the areas identified above, by creating advanced

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<i>National Centre for HPC, Big Data and Quantum Computing</i>	Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare (INFN)	Casalecchio di Reno (BO)	49	34	15	319.938.979,26	41%
<i>National Research Centre for Agricultural Technologies (Agritech)</i>	Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II	Napoli	46	32	14	320.070.095,50	45%
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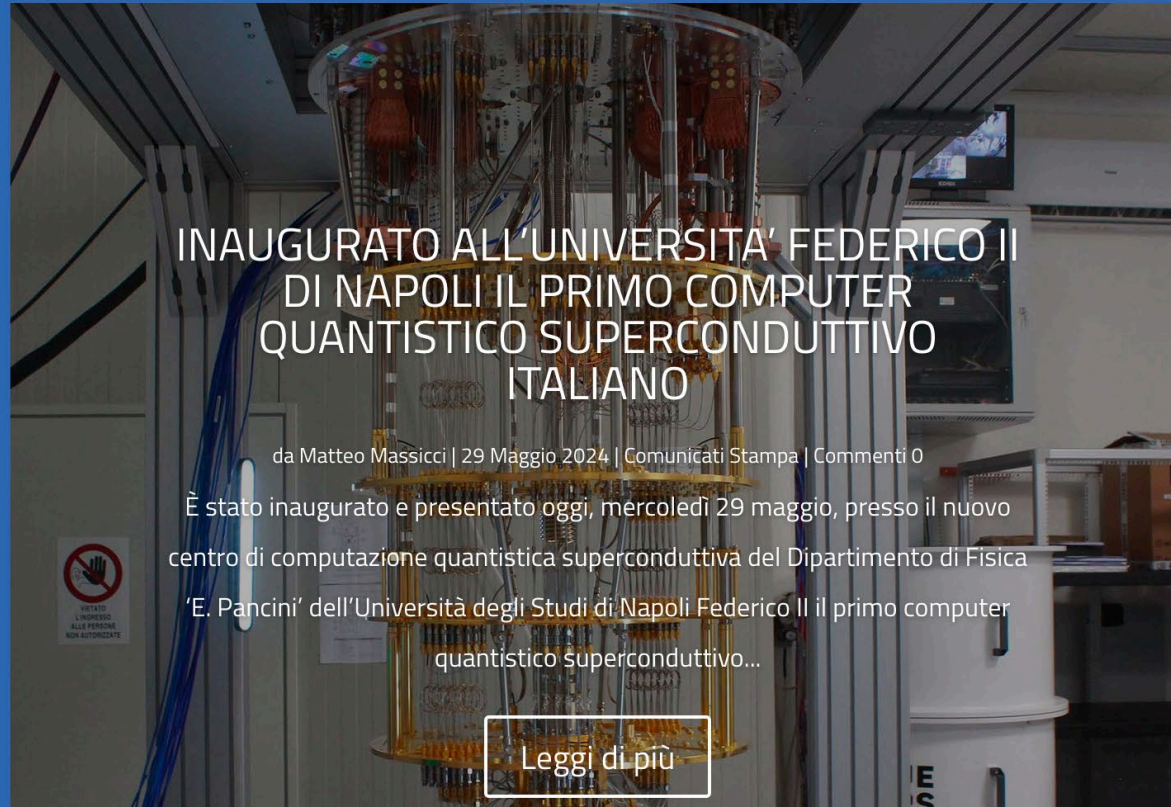


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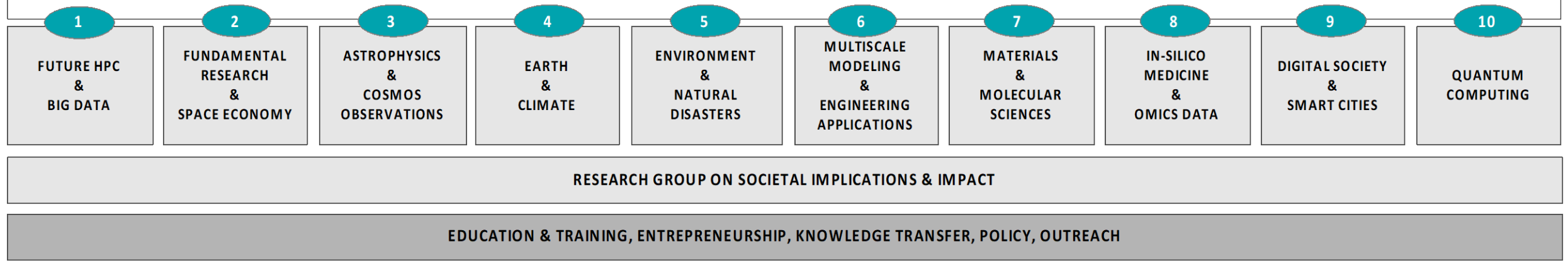
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## SUPERCOMPUTING CLOUD INFRASTRUCTURE



### *Spoke 9 - Digital Society & Smart Cities*

HPC and big data - combined with suitable models, methodologies, and algorithms - offer new opportunities to solve key challenges in smart cities and in digital societies. Indeed, these are characterized by the confluence and interaction of different systems in the social, organizational and technological domains, thus impossible to solve through decomposition into easier problems, and requiring new approaches able to overcome this “complexity wall”.

The spoke intends to face this complexity by investigating novel approaches that build upon - and extend - the concept of “digital twins”. The aim is to create a faithful digital representation of social and organizational structures of cities and communities and of their citizens, and of the physical and virtual contexts where they operate and interact, by exploiting available “big data” digital tracks, powerful data analysis and Artificial Intelligence (AI) techniques and advanced simulation opportunities unlocked by HPC infrastructures.

Through digital twins, the spoke intends to improve our capability to (i) replicate and understand the functioning and behaviors of our cities and societies, (ii) forecast future evolutions, also in response to changes, and (iii) support the experimentation and the evaluation of the effects of policies, protocols and scenarios aiming to change the behavior of cities and communities.

## Napoli involvement + spoke 10 (later)

### *Spoke 1 - Future HPC & Big Data*

According to the EU vision, High-Performance Computing rests on five pillars: skills, applications, infrastructure, technology, and federation of resources. All the pillars are represented in the Future HPC spoke. The main focus is on the technology pillar across all the layers of standard (i.e., non-Quantum) computing systems: Circuits, Architecture, Programming Model, and Execution Model up to just before the last tier, i.e., Applications, which are addressed in other spokes of the centre. In this focused strategy, the FutureHPC & BD spoke is tightly linked with the work program of the technological pillar of the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking, which is expected to contribute to the sustainability of the FutureHPC & BD spoke. The technological pillar is crucial for EU digital sovereignty and is paramount for engaging industry in achieving (by 2030) European leadership and autonomy in HPC infrastructure, data, and services and fueling innovation across the computing continuum.

### *Spoke 2 - Fundamental Research & Space Economy*

Science, and in particular science at the frontier of knowledge, is becoming more and more a computing intensive discipline. Current and next-generation experiments show processing and data needs comparable with the top global players and need a stack of solutions which are not typical of the curriculum of scientists. The trend has indeed started more than 15 years ago, with the development of solutions needed to satisfy the science of Collider Physics; since then, similar needs have been documented in other scientific domains, with Astroparticle physics showing by the end of the 2020s similar if not larger resource deployments. The activities in Spoke 2 “Fundamental Research and Space Economy” focus on boosting the science capabilities of current and future science initiatives, using the opportunities that PNRR in general and the National Centre for Big Data, HPC and Quantum Computing (CN) in particular offer in the next three years.



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- to stimulate future industrial innovation in this field, providing a forum in which novel ideas and opportunities are transferred to companies. Moreover, a significant fraction of the project resources is dedicated to support a comprehensive education program, to

### The consortium NQSTI at a glance

<b>116 M€</b> funding	<b>3+</b> years lifespan	<b>332+</b> Researchers and engineers across Italy	<b>20</b> Institutions (research centres, universities and enterprises)
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## Research activity



The diagram illustrates the research activity structure. It is divided into three main stages: Theory, Platforms, and Integration. The Theory stage includes SPOKE 1 (Information processing and communication) and SPOKE 2 (Simulation, sensing and metrology). The Platforms stage includes SPOKE 3 (Atom-based), SPOKE 4 (Photon-based), and SPOKE 5 (Electron-based). The Integration stage includes SPOKE 6 (Integration) and SPOKE 7 (Complete System). Arrows indicate the flow of research activity from Theory to Platforms and then to Integration.

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### **WP10.1. Software** (Leader: INFN).

Development and application of high-level quantum software for algorithms solving general purpose problems, scientific and industrial applications.

- T1.1 New algorithms (Pavia, Bologna, IIT, Catania, CINECA, CNR, Pisa, Sapienza, Bari, PoliMI, Padova);
- T1.2 Applications and use cases (IIT, Bologna, CINECA, CNR, INAF, INFN, Pavia, Pisa, Bari, Bicocca, PoliMI, Padova)

### **WP10.2. Mapping, compilation and quantum computing emulation** (Leader: CINECA).

Development of software toolchain for compilation, benchmarking, verification, emulation of quantum computers and algorithms.

- T2.1 Mapping and compilation (Bologna, CNR, Pisa, PoliMI);
- T2.2 Emulation (CINECA, INAF, Bari, Padova)

### **WP10.3. Firmware and hardware platforms** (Leaders: CNR, Catania).

Development of low-level software for the physical operation of quantum computers. Development and support of the quantum computer hardware chain.

- T3.1 Photonic hardware (Sapienza, CNR, Bicocca, Pavia, Napoli);
- T3.2 Superconducting circuits (Napoli, INFN, Bicocca, CNR, Catania, Pisa);
- T3.3 Atomic hardware (CNR, Padova, Pisa);
- T3.4 Models and firmware (Catania, PoliMI, Bari, Padova, Bicocca, CNR, Pisa, Sapienza)

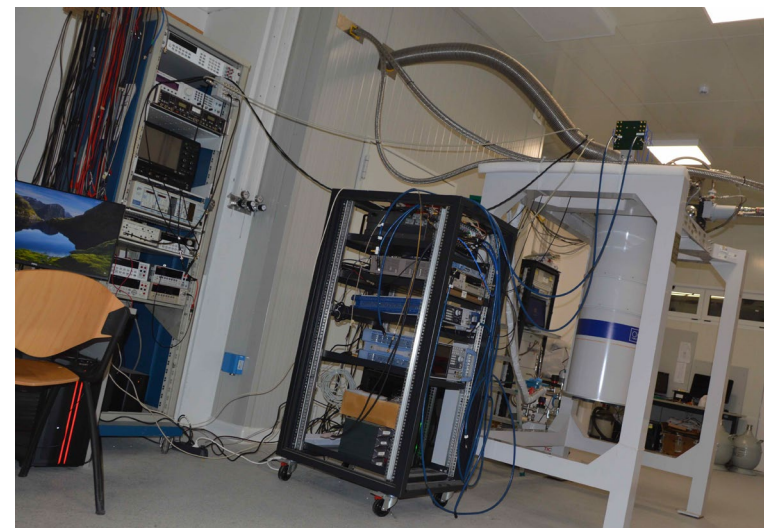
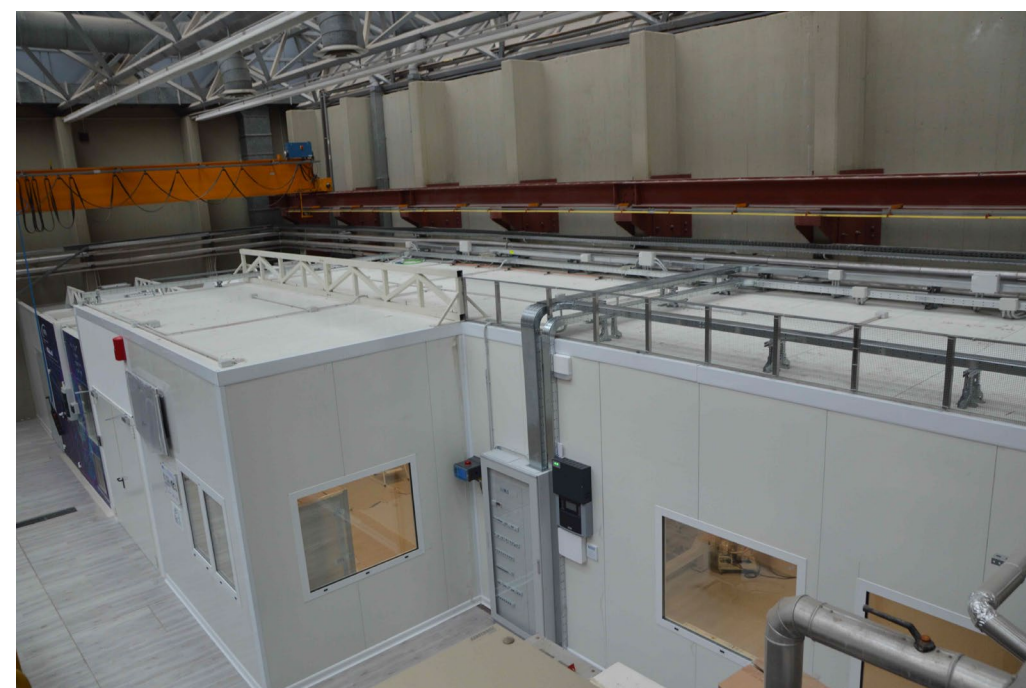
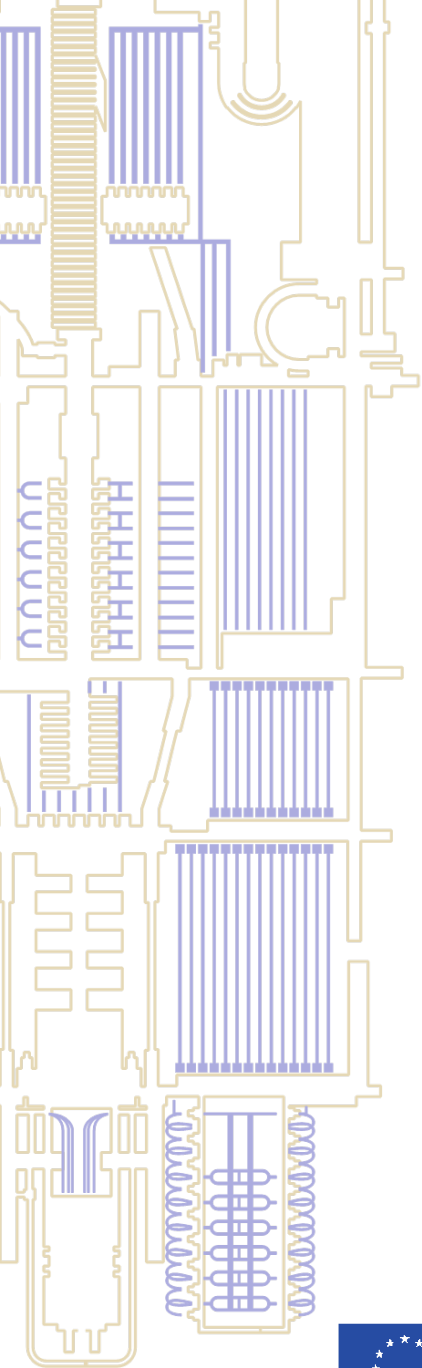


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### Milestones

- M9-M15: First Tender for Research Infrastructure
- M9-M15. Research activities on Software, Mapping, Compilation, Emulation, Firmware and Hardware at the end of Year 1: Design of quantum algorithms (SW); Classic emulator with 100+ qubits (MW); Report on architectural design of hardware platforms and tools (HW)
- M17-M22: Demonstrators: Use cases implementation and experimentation
- M17-M22: Second Tender for Research Infrastructure
- M22-M26: Research activities on Software, Mapping, Compilation, Emulation, Firmware and Hardware at the end of Year 2: Report on development and validation of quantum algorithms and applications (SW); Report on design of benchmarks for quantum computers and algorithms (MW); Report on design of quantum platforms (HW)
- M25-M36 Use cases: Report on use cases implementation and experimentation
- M25-M36 Research activities on Software, Mapping, Compilation, Emulation, Firmware and Hardware at the end of Year 3: Benchmarking quantum-accelerated applications against classical applications (SW); Test quantum supremacy in industrial setting (MW); Tools and methodologies for design automation and mapping (MW); One platform with 5+ qubits (HW); Photonic sampling machine with 5+ photons and 24+ modes (HW); Report on supporting tools for hardware platforms (HW)



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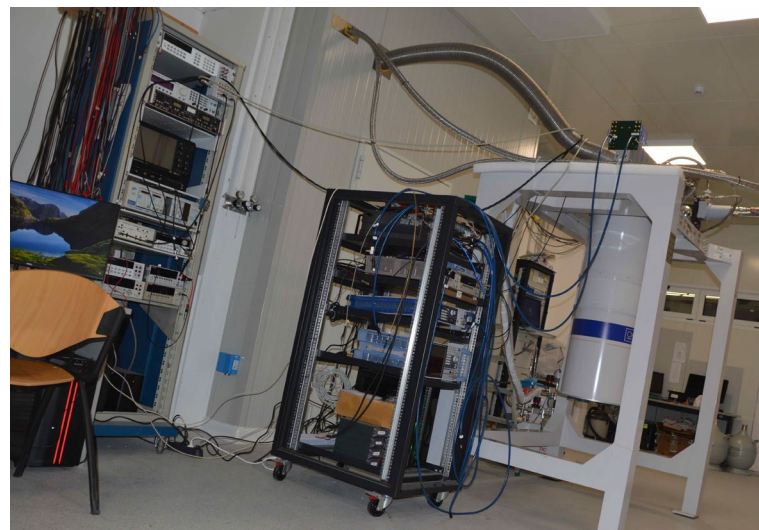
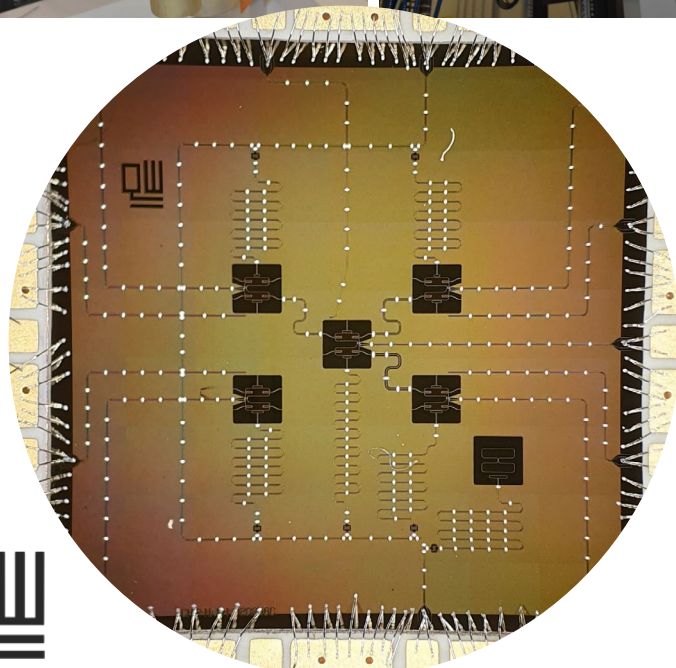
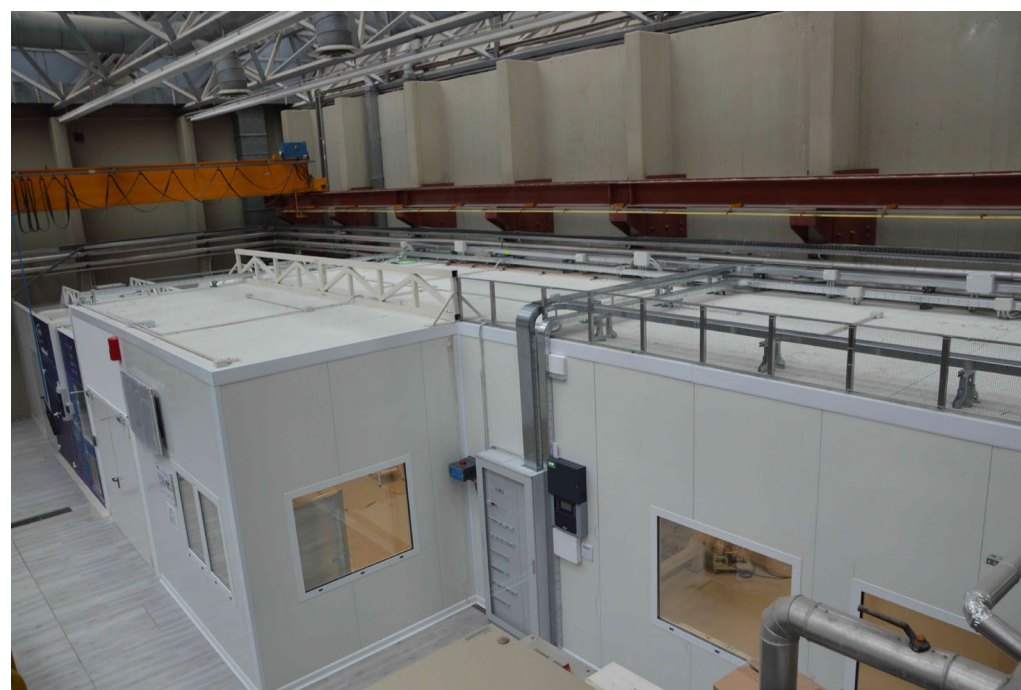
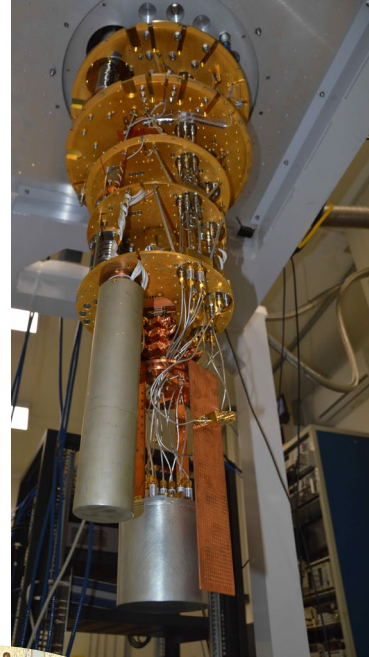
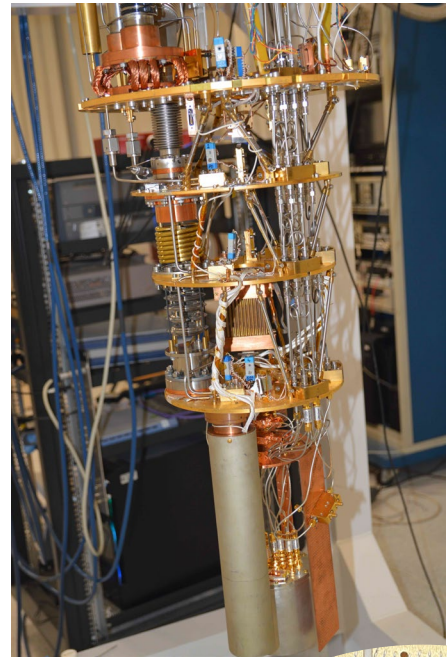
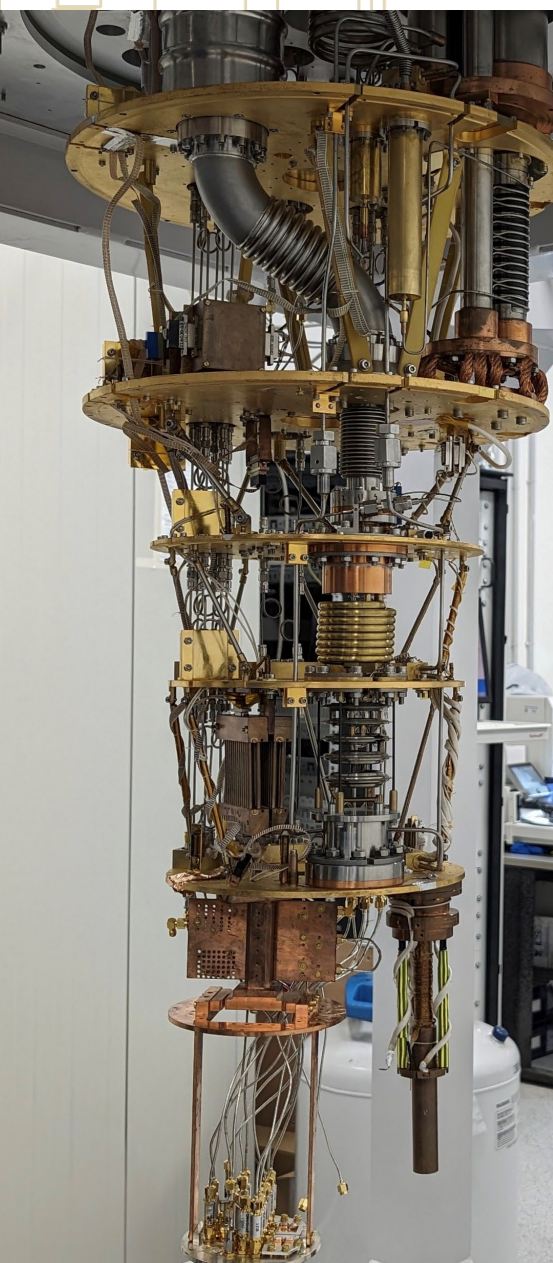


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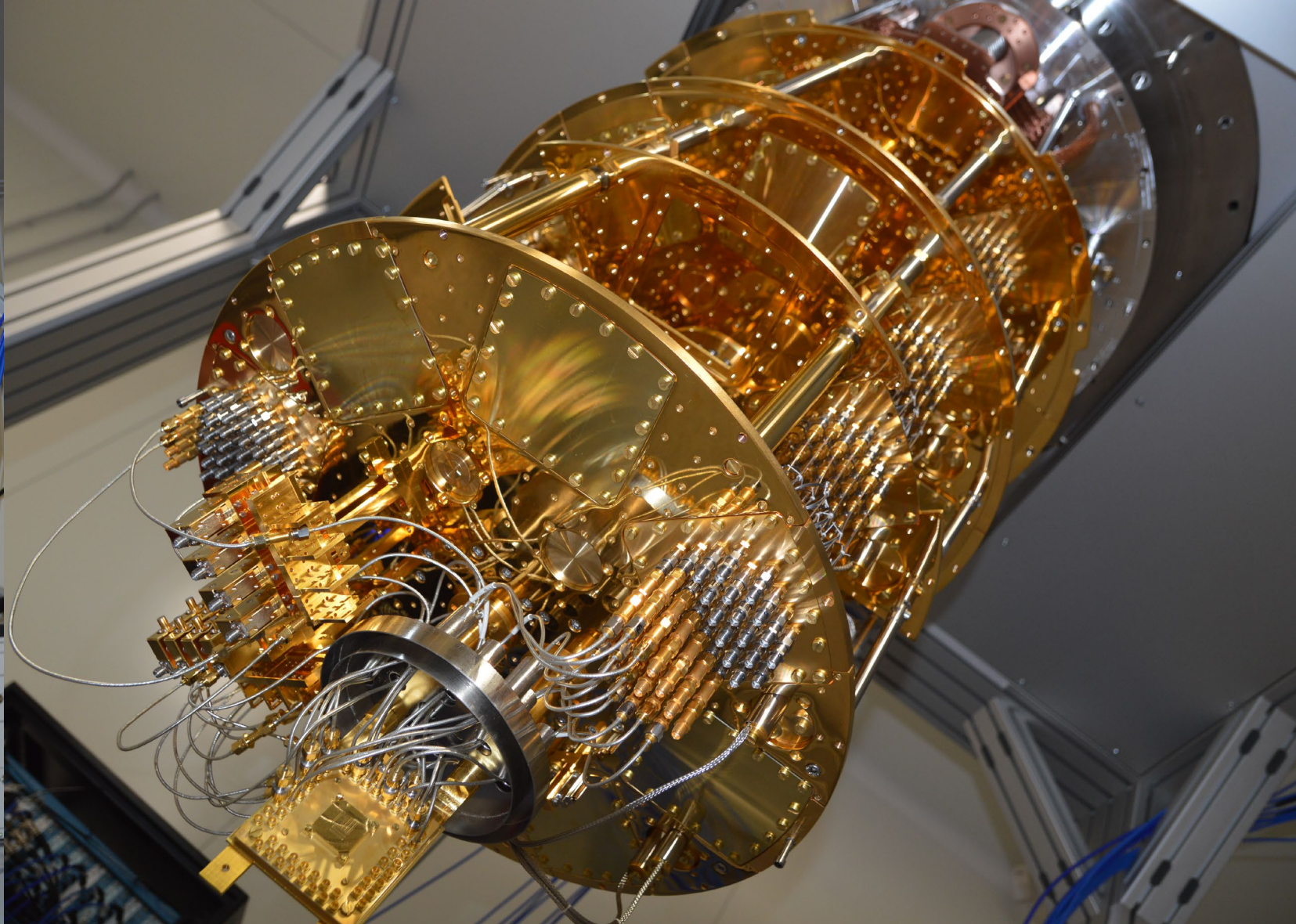
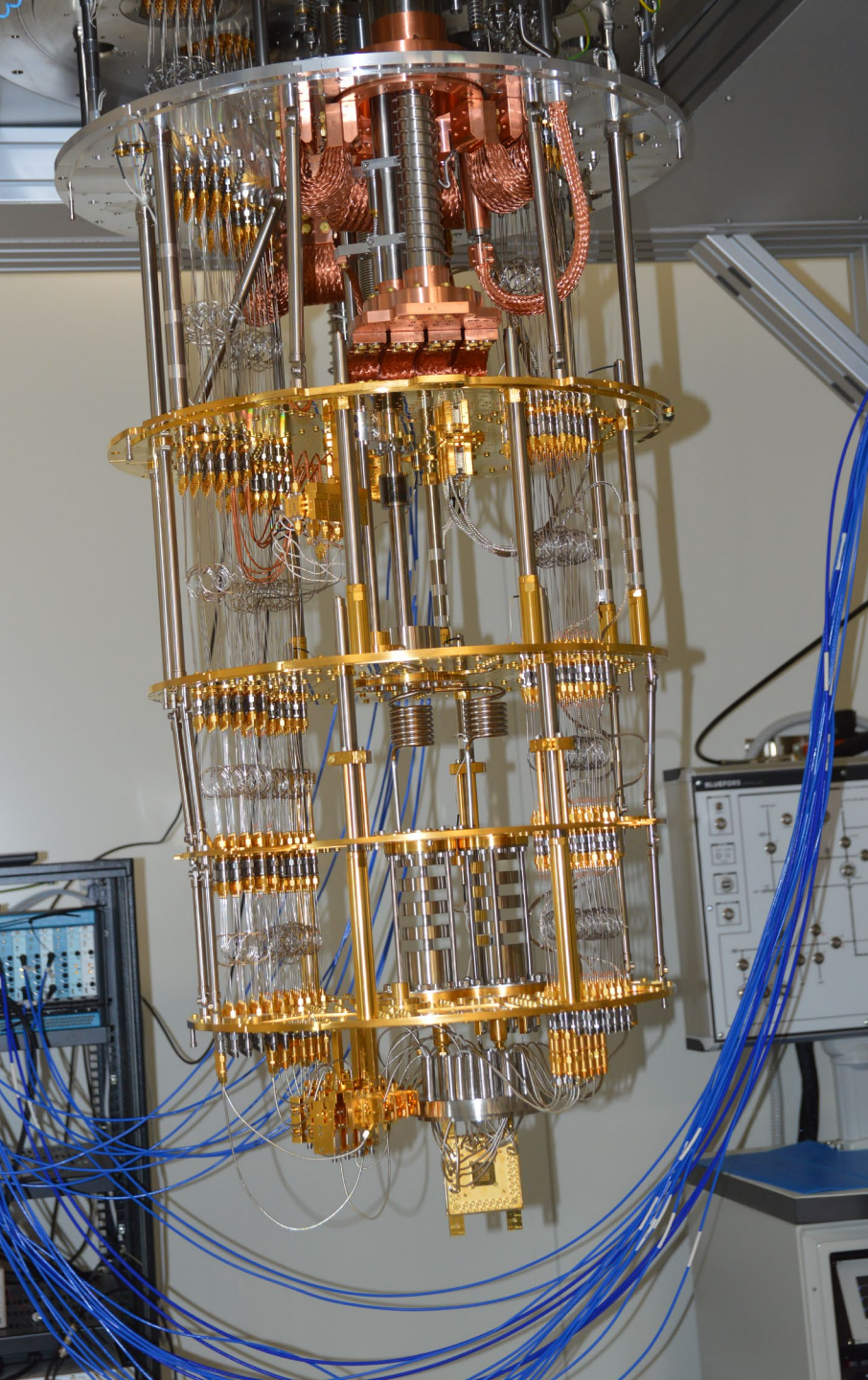


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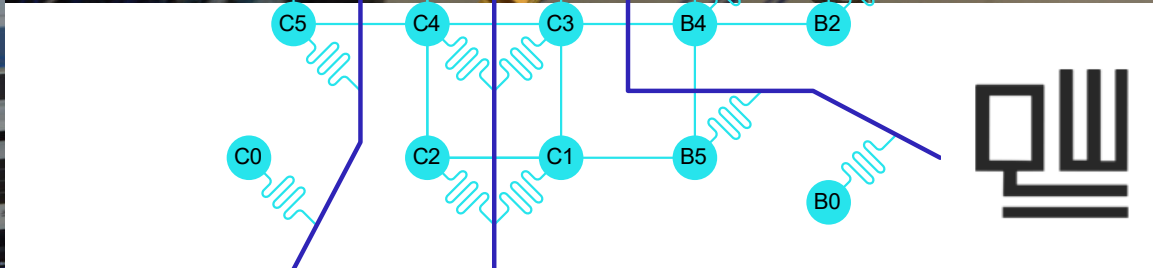
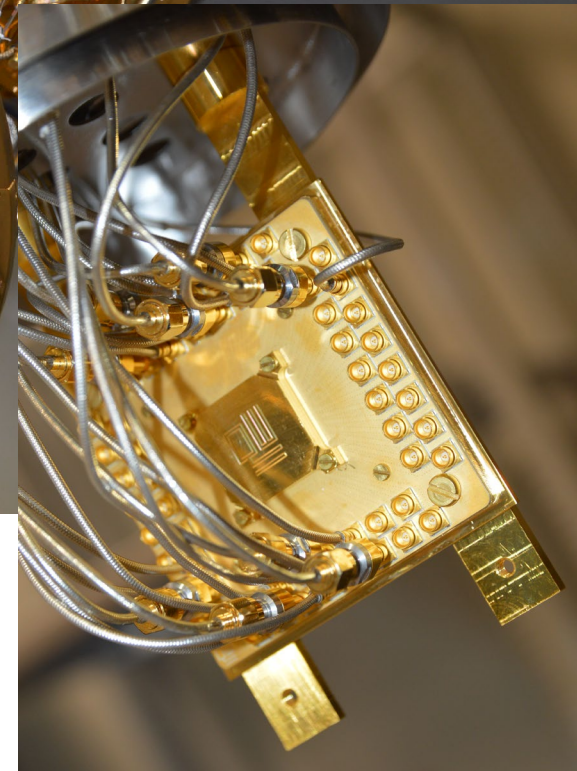
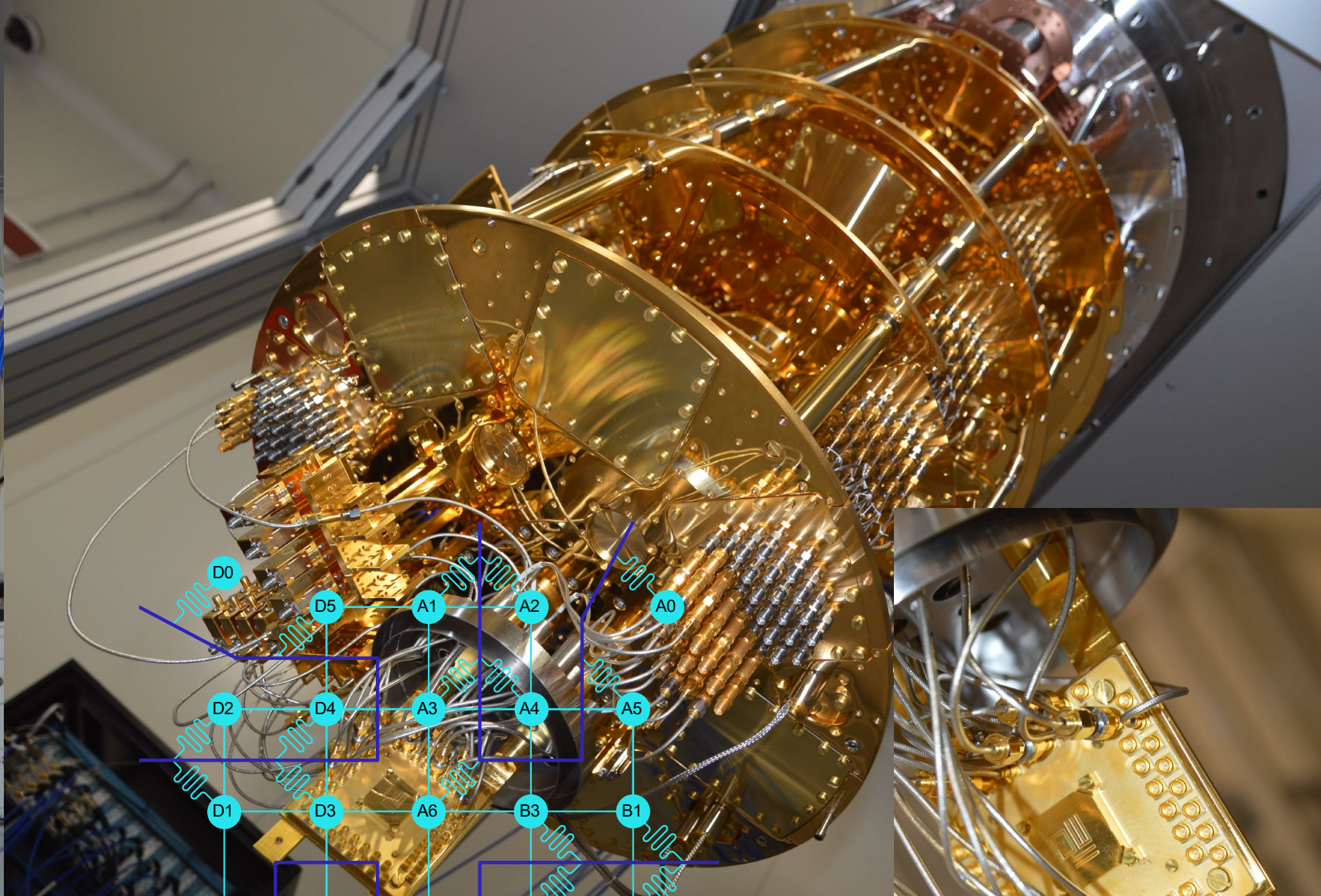
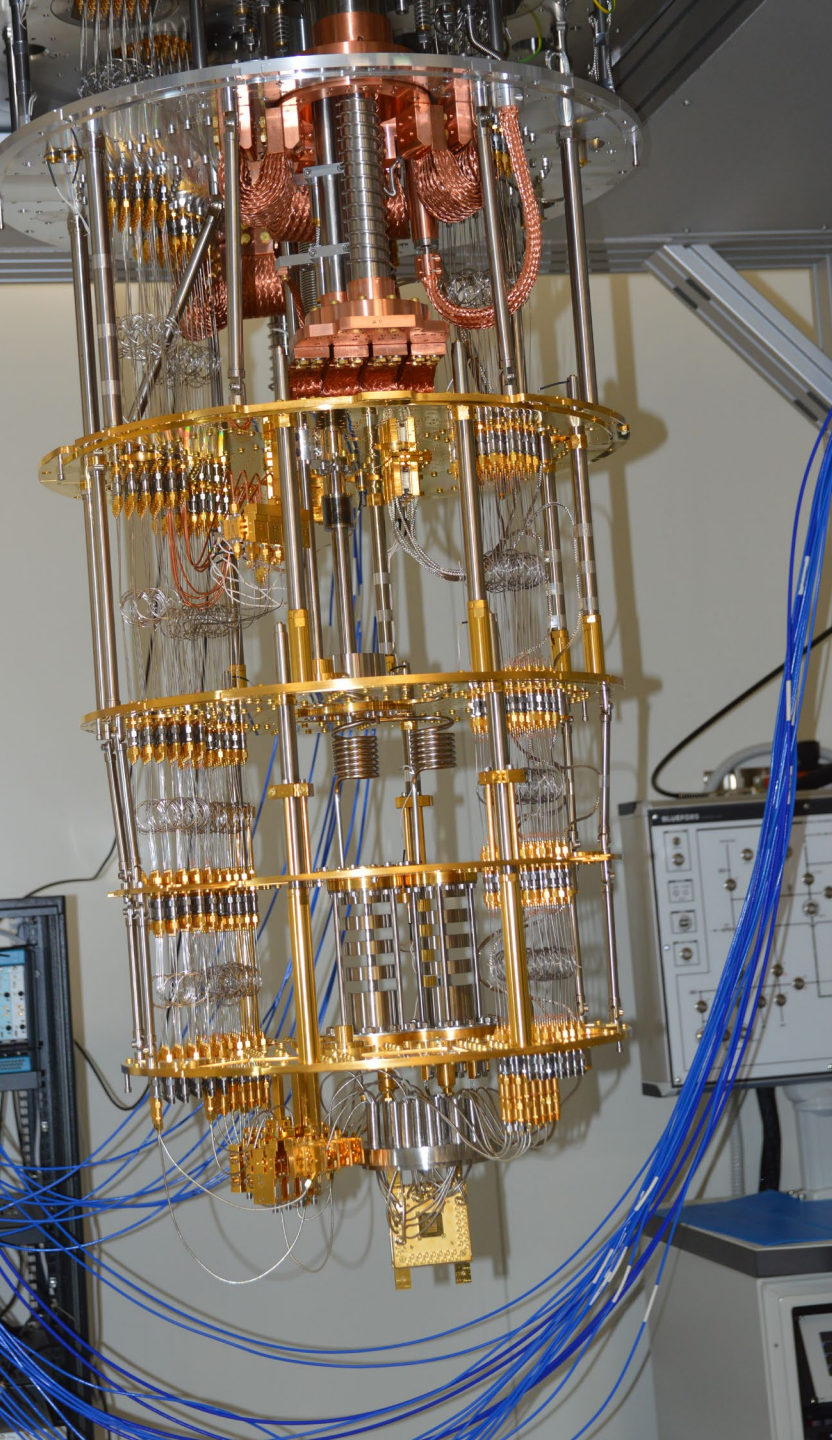


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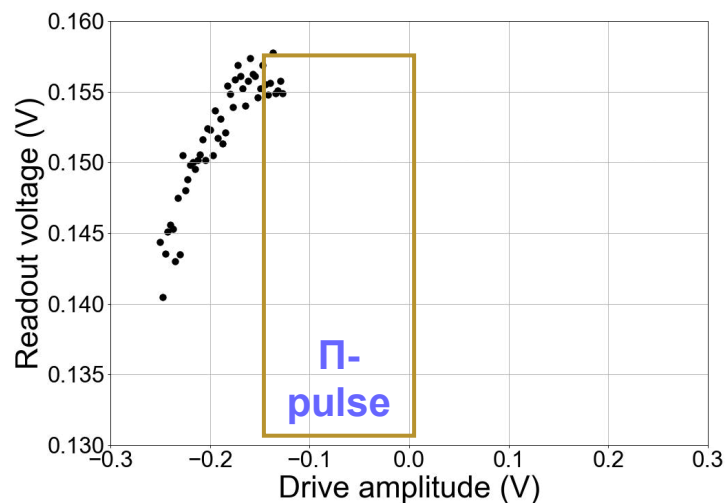
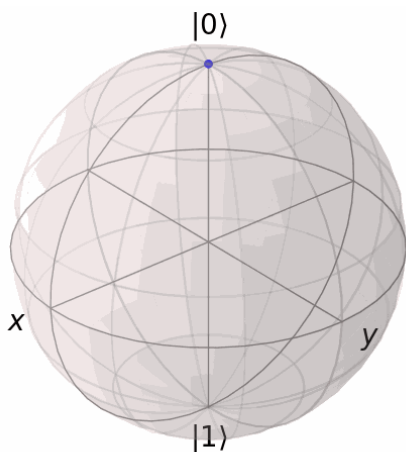
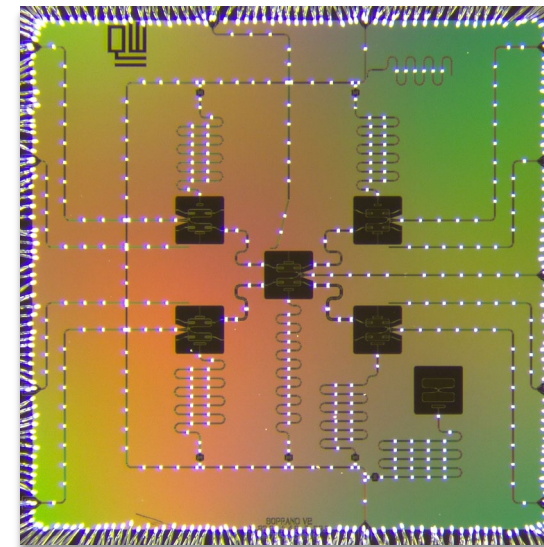
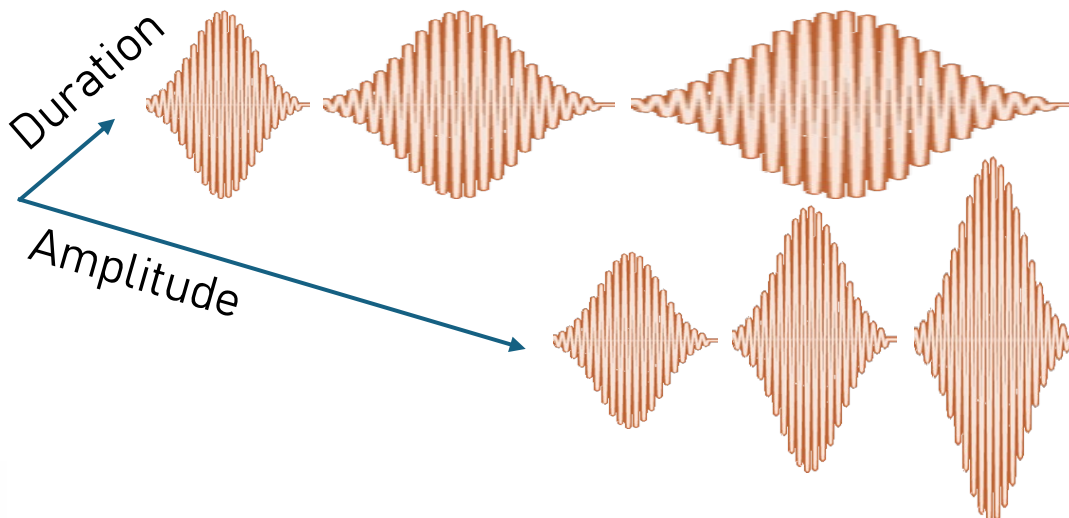






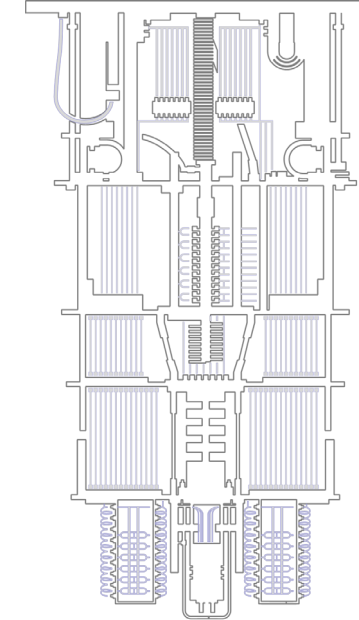
# Hint of quantum coherent nature: Rabi oscillations

By continuously changing the duration or amplitude of the control pulses, coherent oscillations between the  $|0\rangle$  and  $|1\rangle$  states of the qubit



We are moving coherently between the two states of the computational basis!

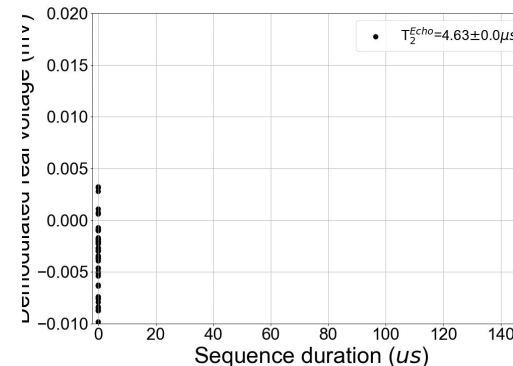
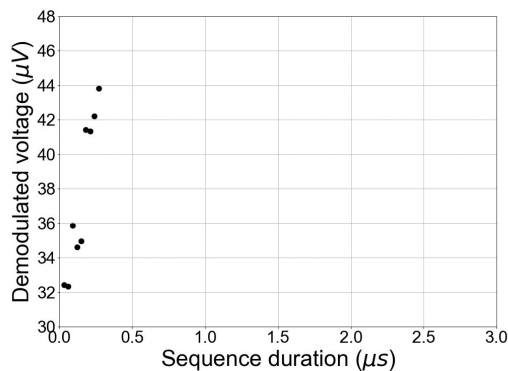
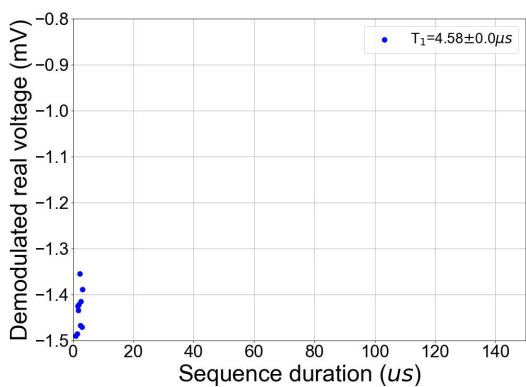
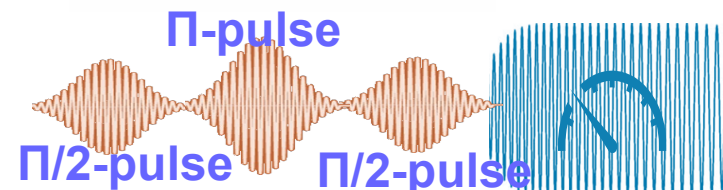
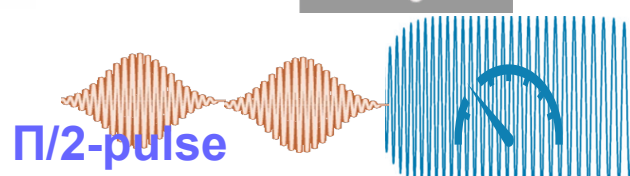
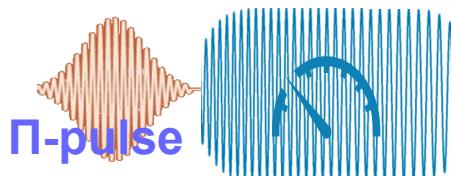
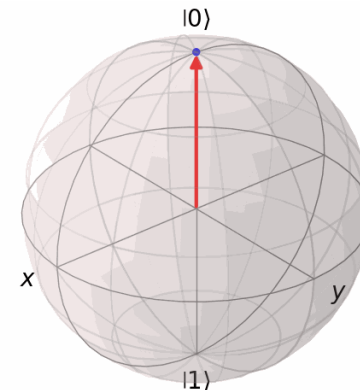
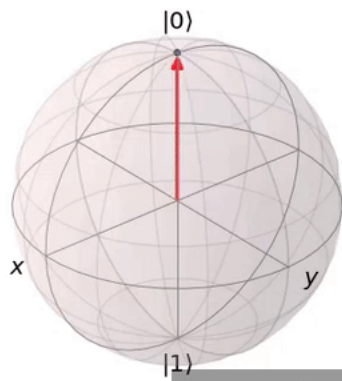
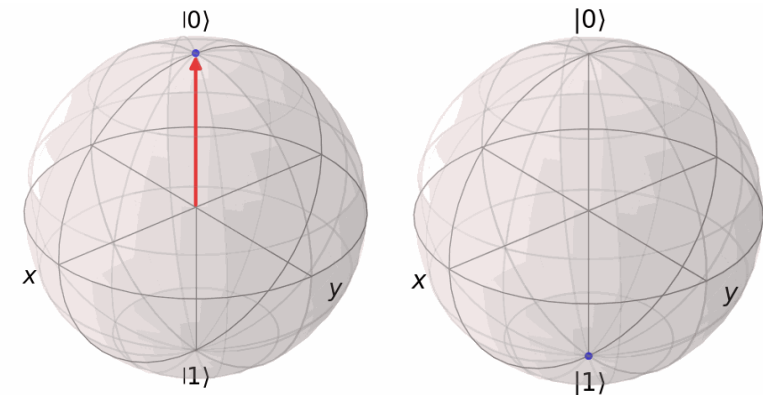
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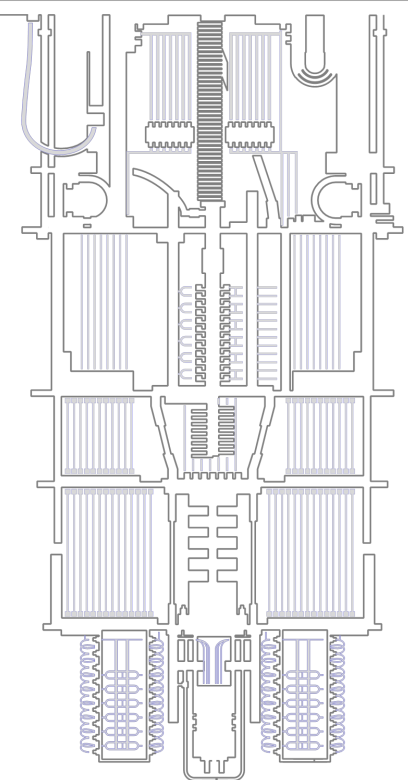
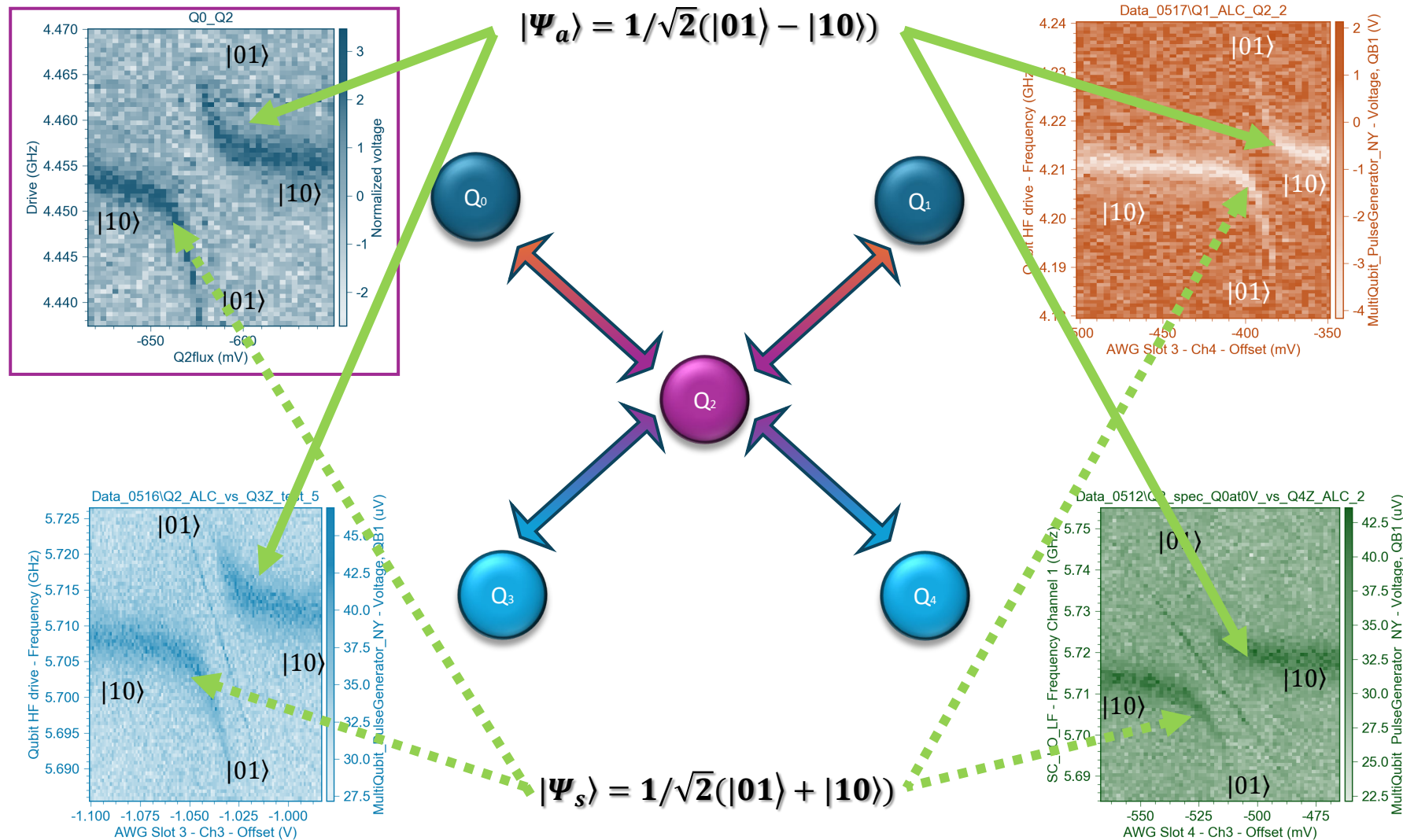
## Relaxation time

## Ramsey coherence time

## Echo coherence time



# Systematic investigation on 2-qubits entanglement



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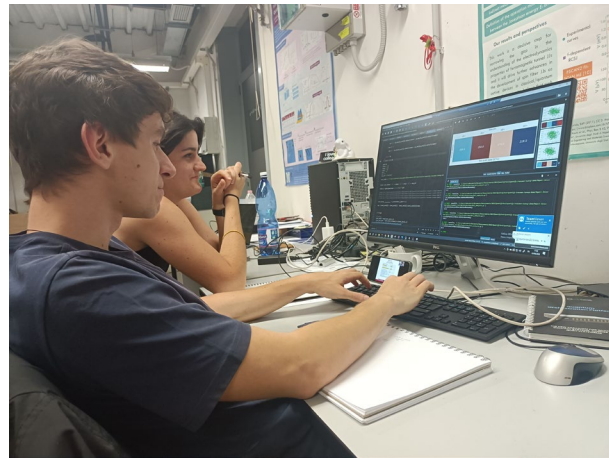
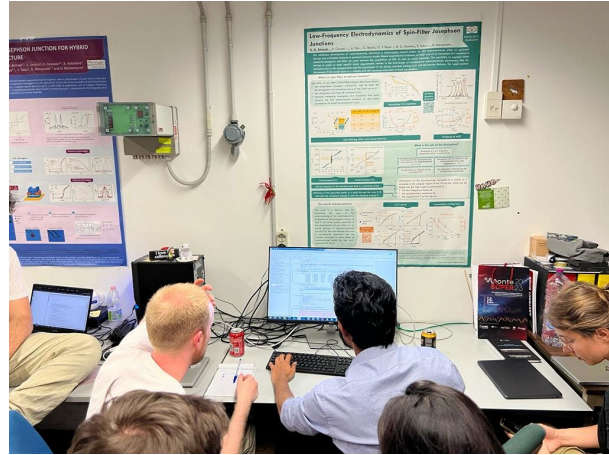
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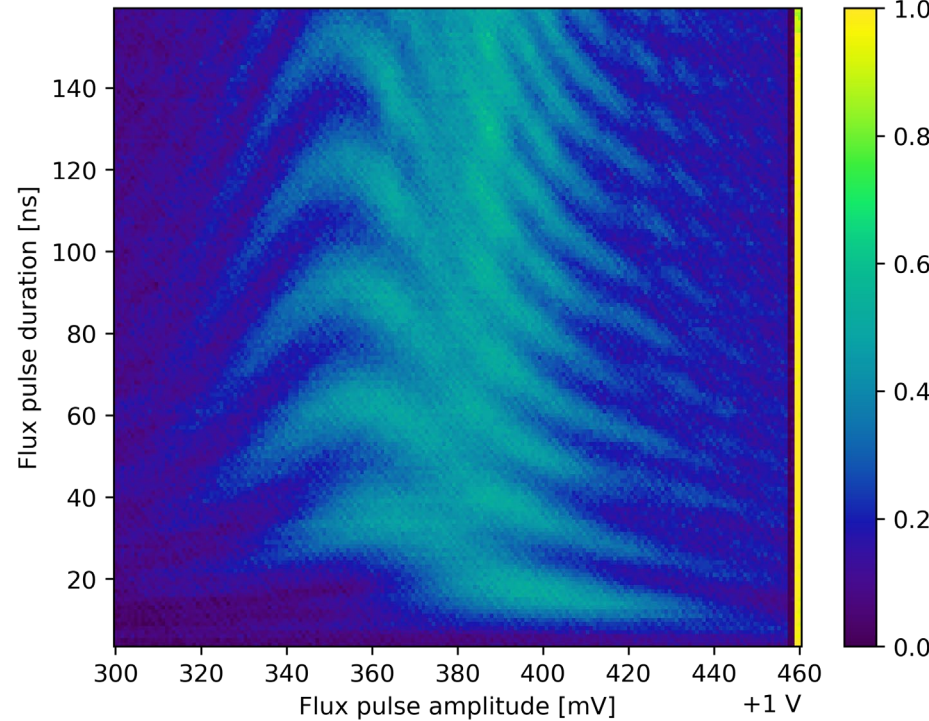
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# Controlled exchange of energy between two qubits: CZ gates optimization and calibration

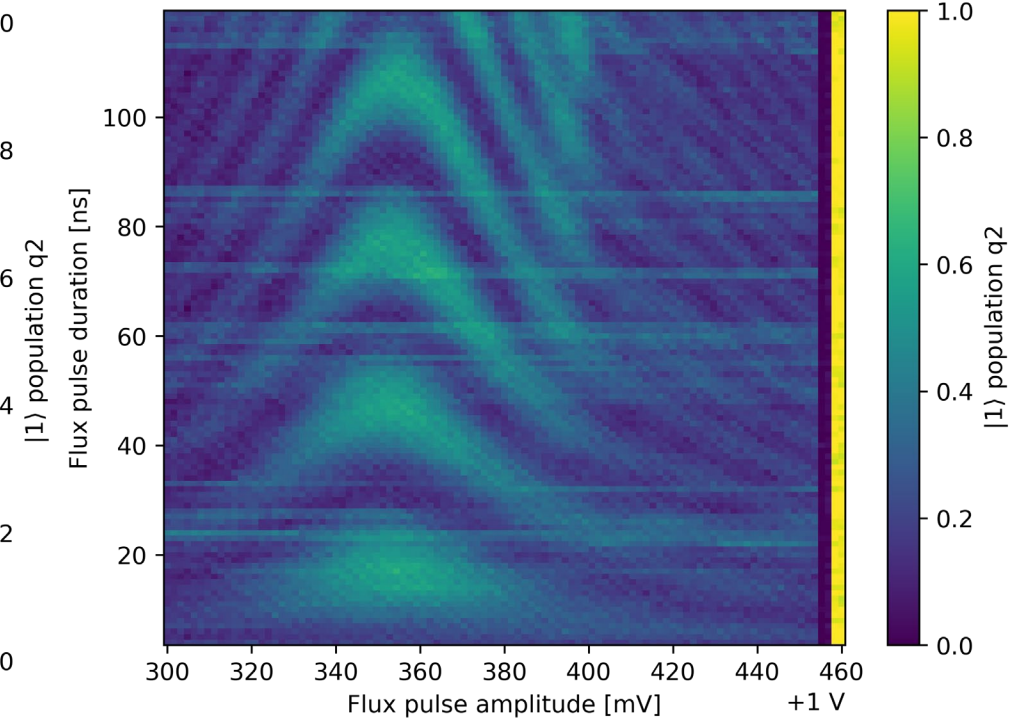


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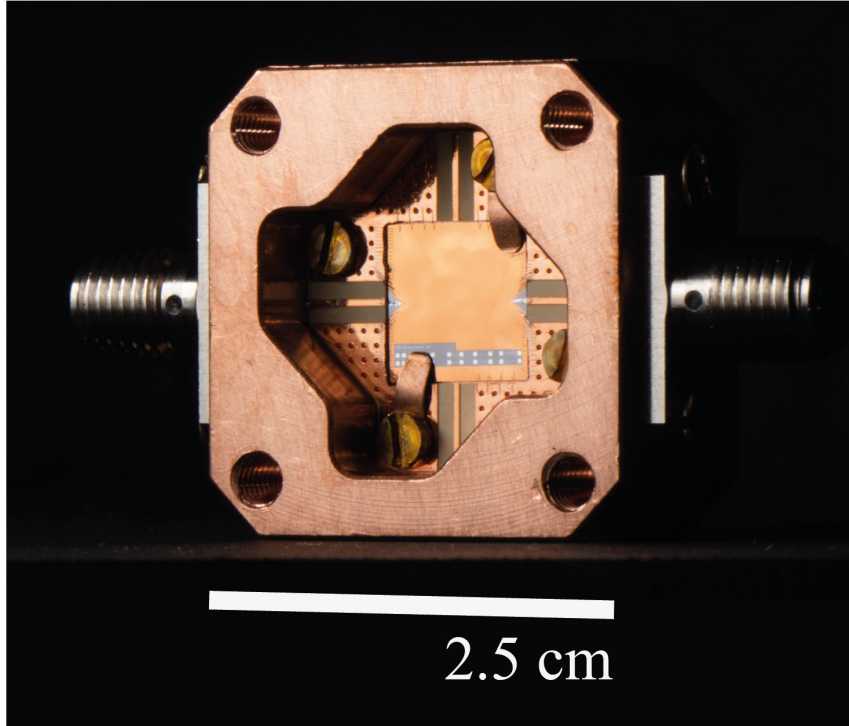
Pre-calibration  
(distorted pattern)

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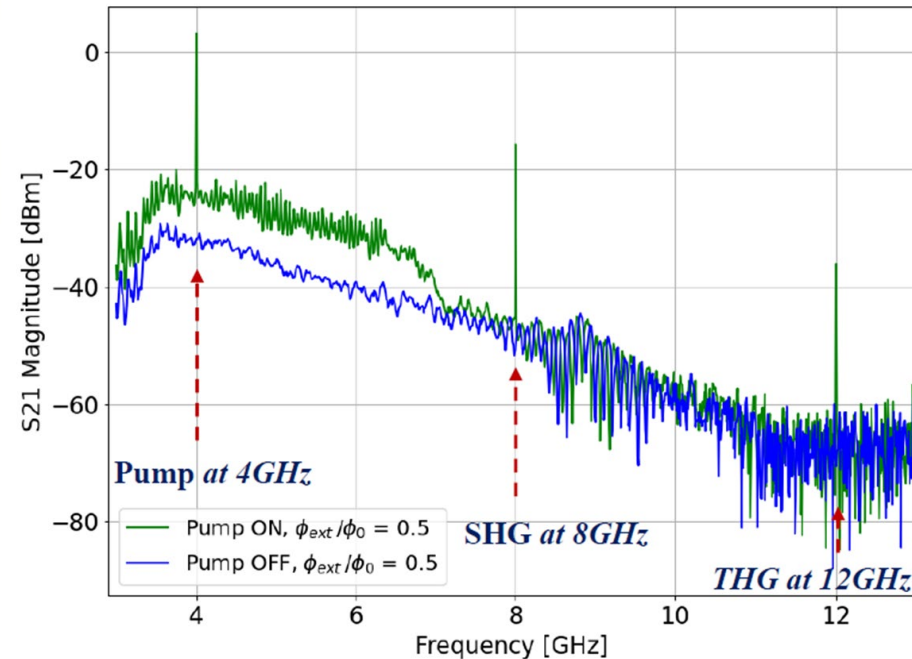
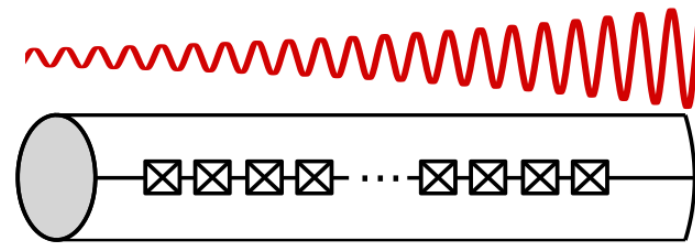


After-calibration  
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# Improving readout fidelity: near-quantum limited noise travelling wave parametric cryogenic amplifiers (TWPA)



Leader: Martina Esposito, fabricated in collaboration with Nicolas Roch's Lab in Grenoble, France



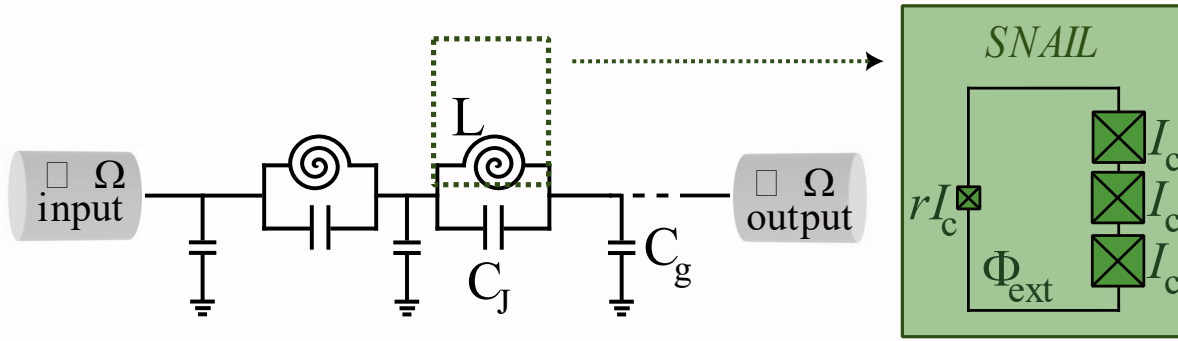
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# Investigating the generation of pump harmonics in a SNAIL-based Traveling Wave Parametric Amplifier

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## Motivations:

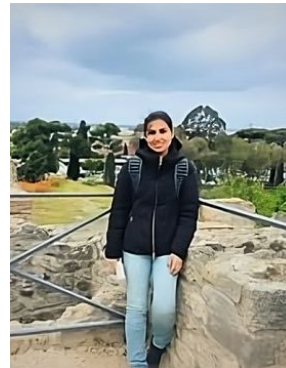
Unveiling of generation spurious tones in TWPAs



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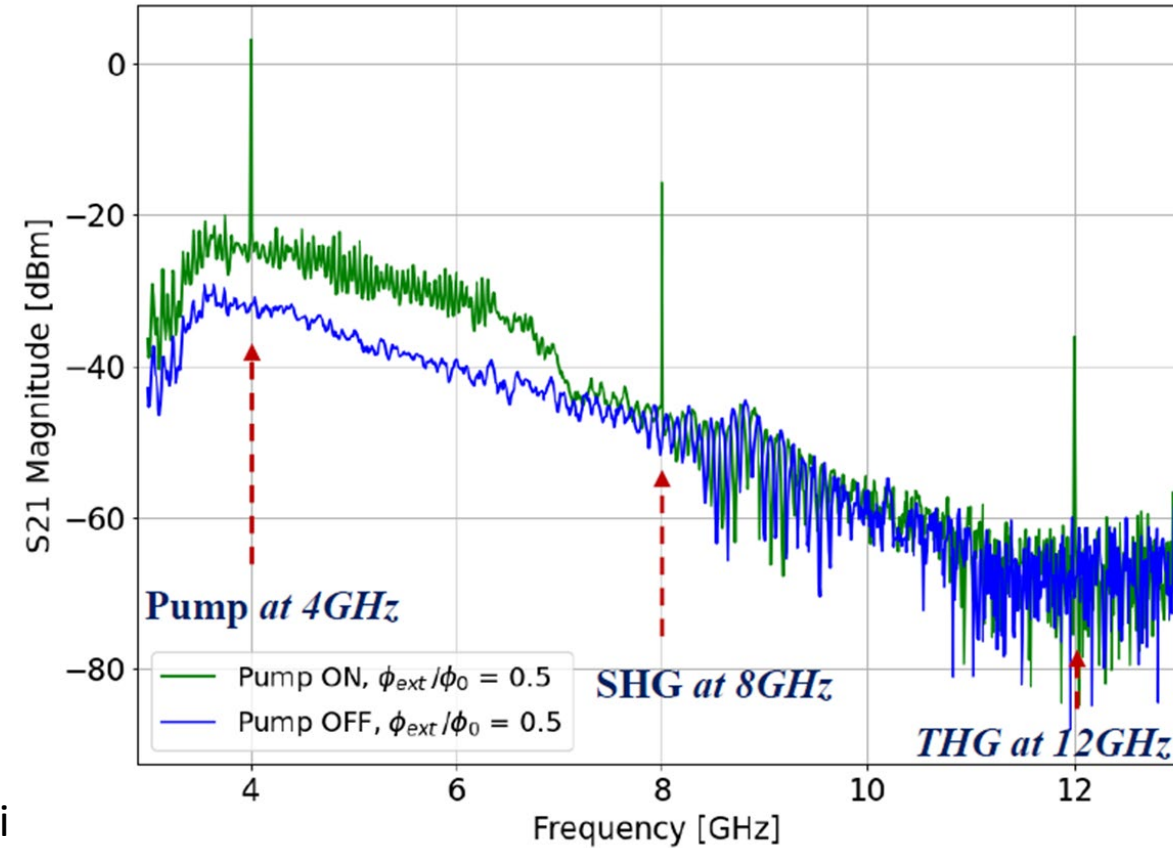
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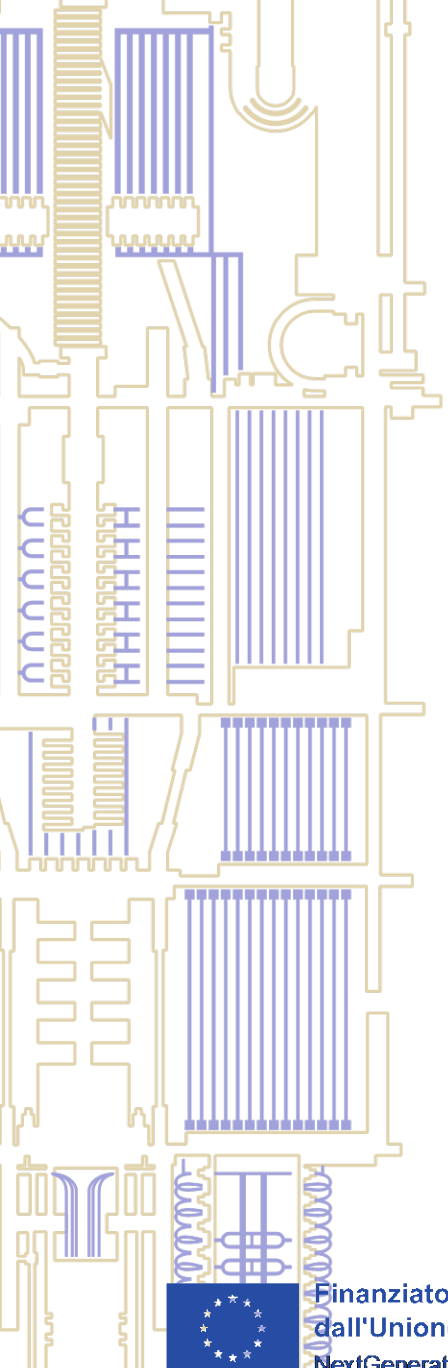
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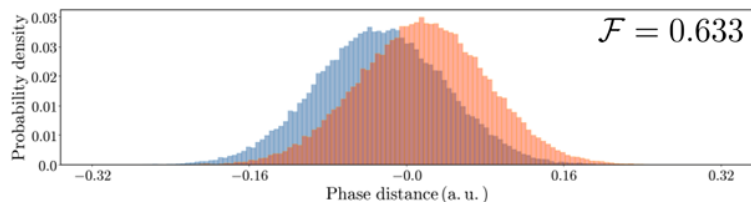
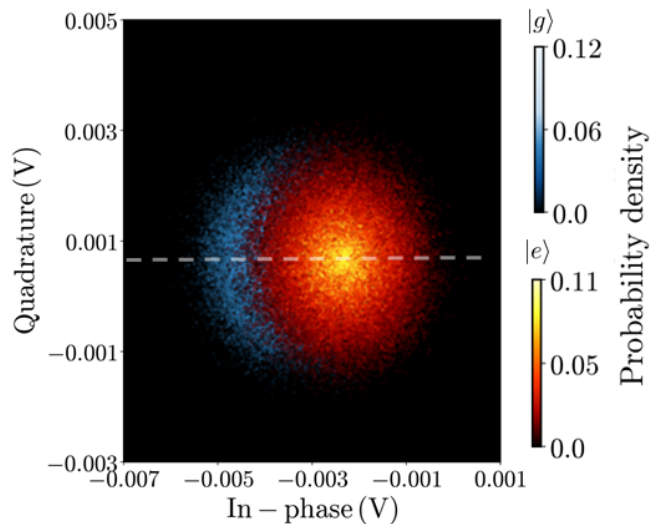
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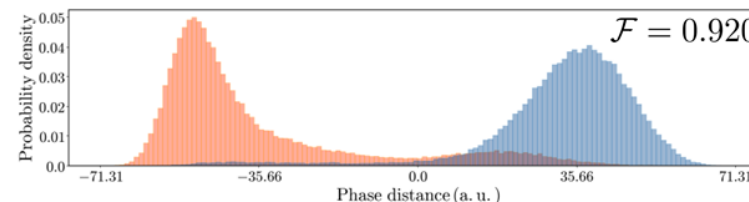
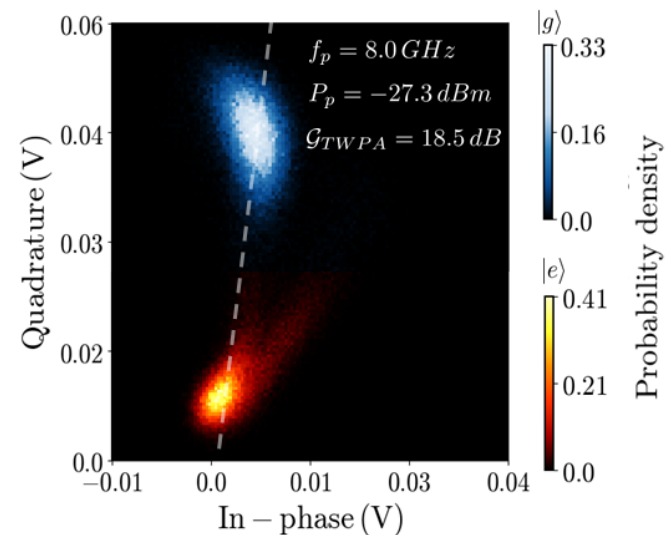
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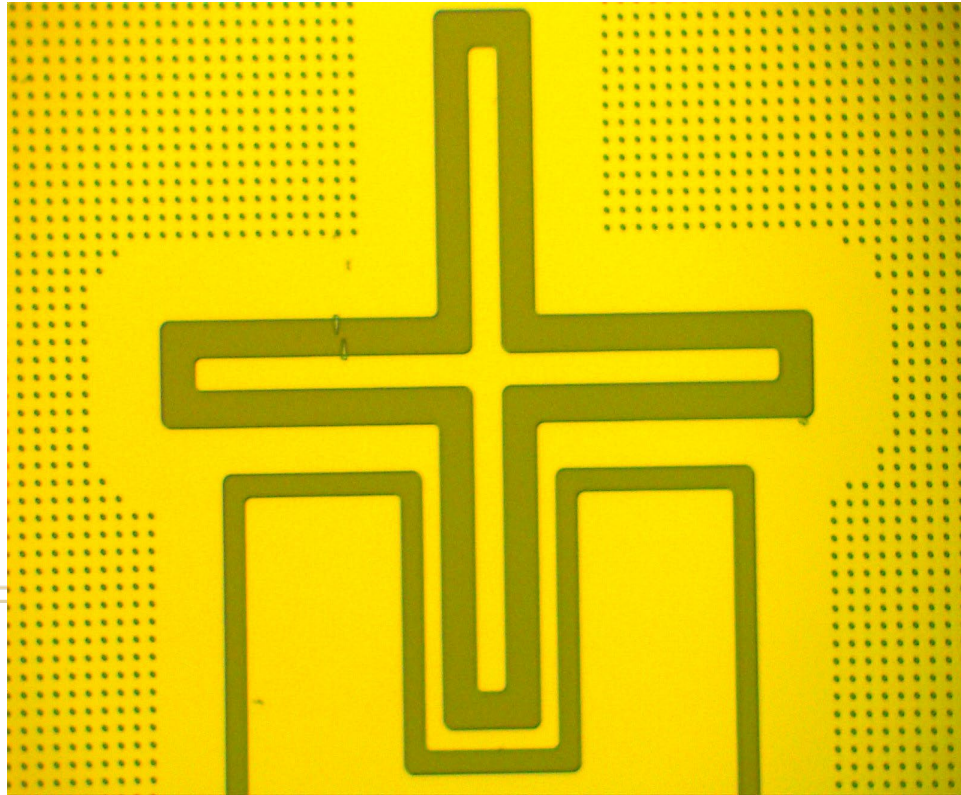
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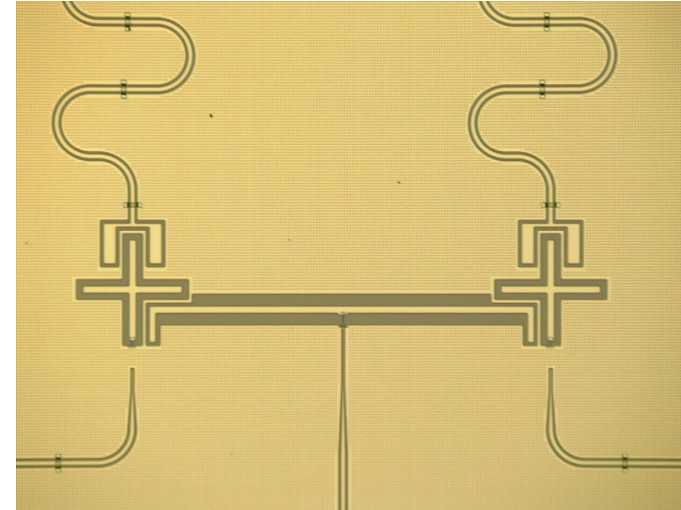
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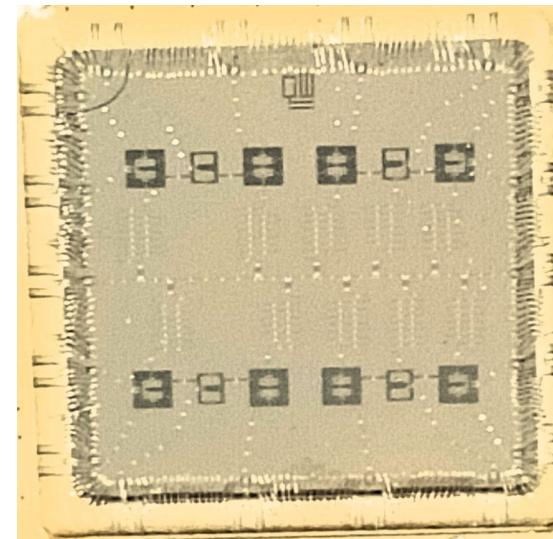
# From single-qubits to multi-qubits architectures



Design: Unina (Mastrovito P., Levochkina A.),  
Fab: Chalmers University of Technology (Dr. Tancredi G.)



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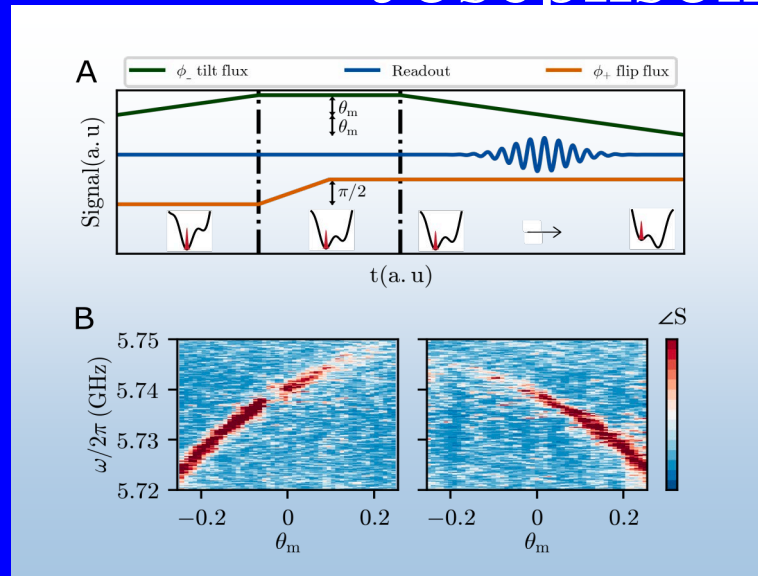


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# Josephson digital phase detector



PHYSICAL REVIEW APPLIED 19, 064025 (2023)

**Discriminating the Phase of a Coherent Tone with a Flux-Switchable Superconducting Circuit**

L. Di Palma<sup>1,2,\*</sup>, A. Miano<sup>3</sup>, P. Mastrovito<sup>1</sup>, D. Massarotti<sup>4,5</sup>, M. Arzeo<sup>2</sup>, G.P. Pepe<sup>1</sup>, F. Tafuri<sup>1,6</sup> and O. Mukhanov<sup>7</sup>

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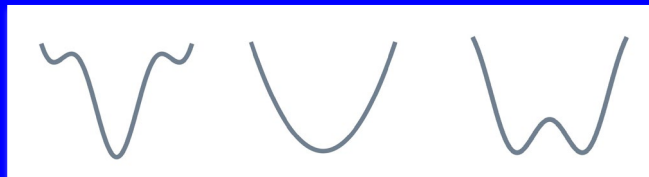
$$U(\varphi) = \frac{E_l}{2} \varphi^2 - \frac{\Phi_0}{2\pi} [I_{c+} \cos(\phi_+) \cos(\varphi + \phi_-) + I_{c-} \sin(\phi_+) \sin(\varphi + \phi_-)]$$

Two degrees of freedom given by  $\Phi_1$  and  $\Phi_2$

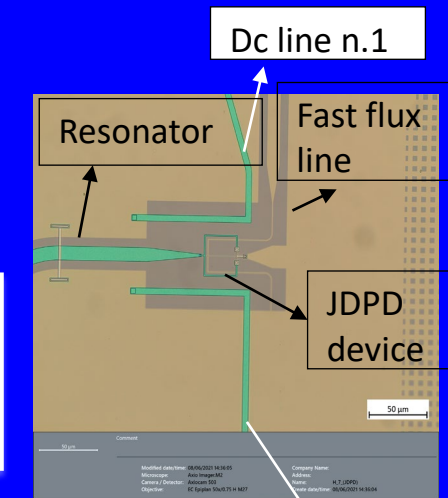
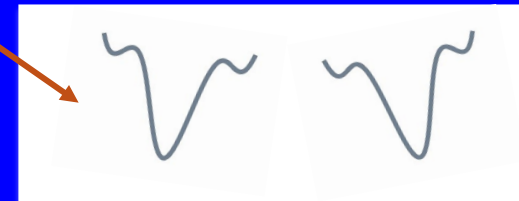
$$\Phi_+ = \Phi_1 + \Phi_2$$

$$\Phi_- = \Phi_1 - \Phi_2$$

Modifies the potential shape



Provides the tilt



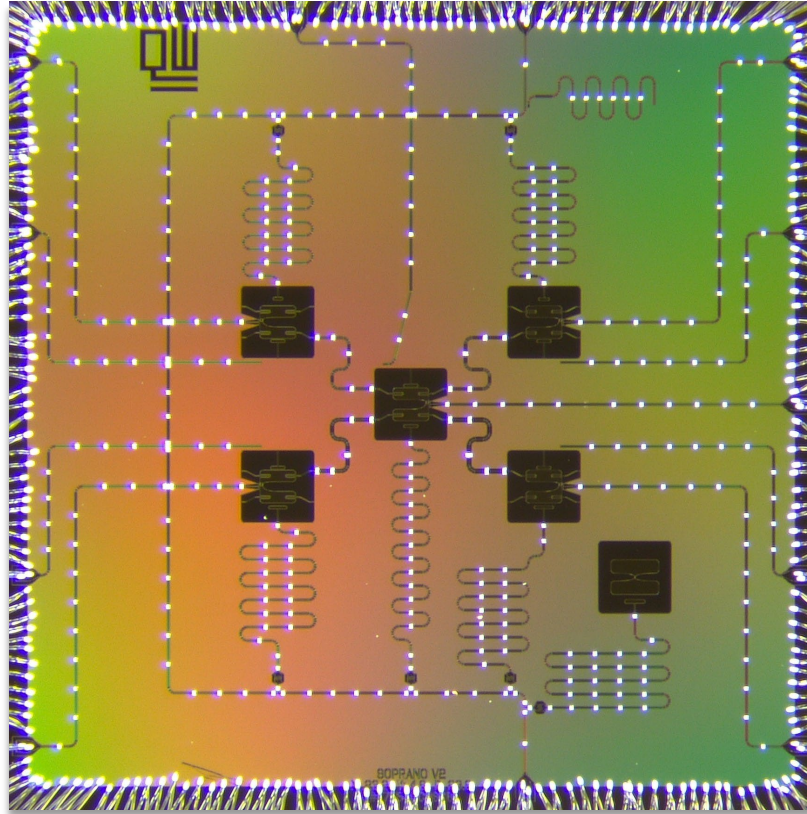
Talk by Luigi Di Palma

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# Implementation of a hybrid classical/quantum algorithm for Quantum Error Mitigation on a 5-qubit superconducting device



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## MITIGATING ERRORS ON SUPERCONDUCTING QUANTUM PROCESSORS THROUGH FUZZY CLUSTERING

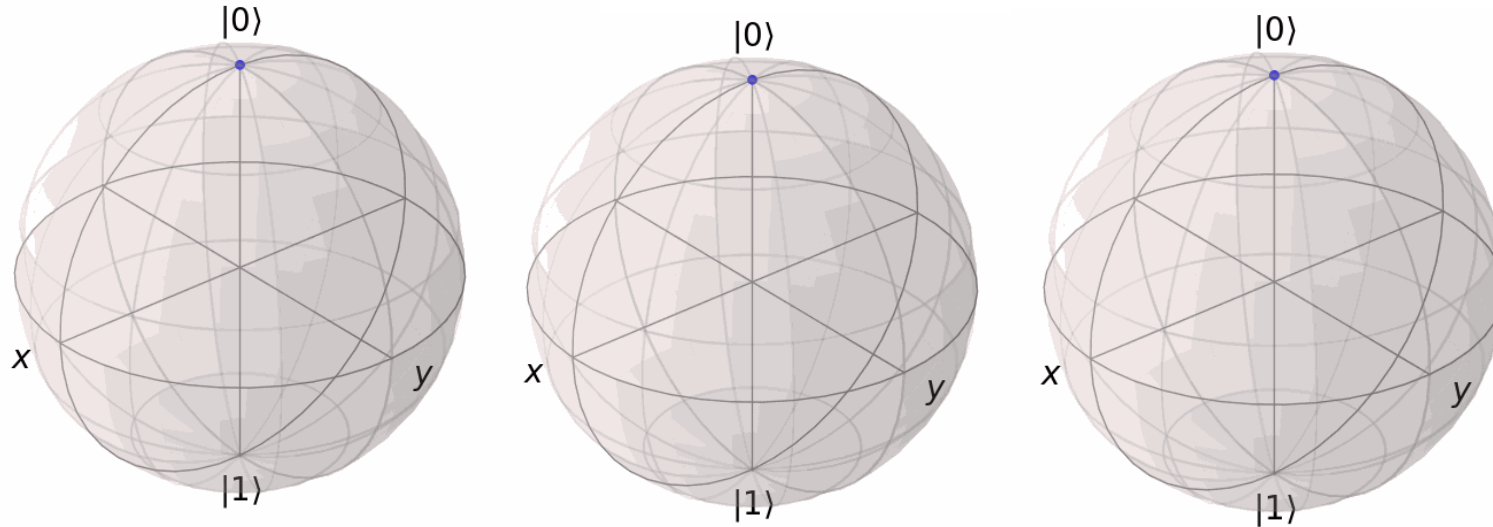
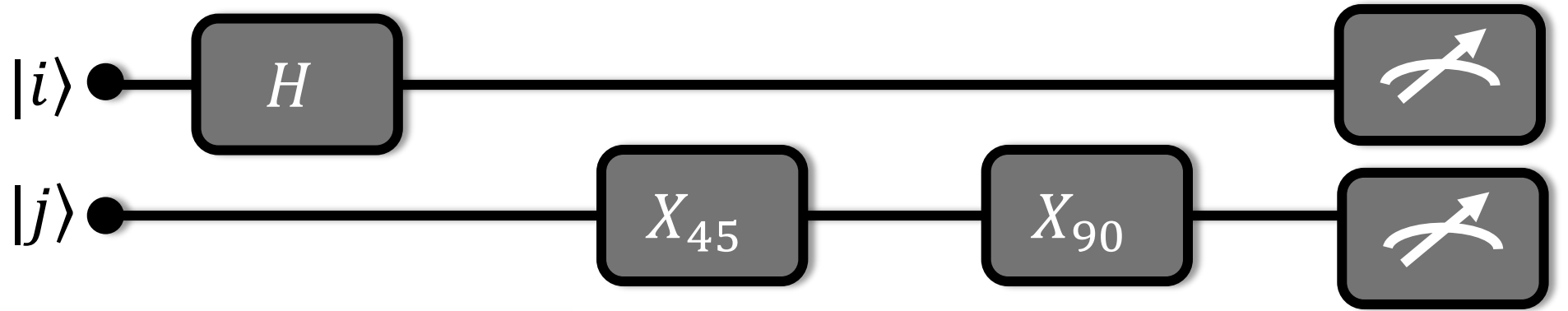
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*Courtesy of Quantware*

A Quantum Error Mitigation technique that uses Fuzzy C-Means (FCM) clustering to specifically identify measurement error patterns: proof-of-principle validation of the technique on a 2-qubit register, obtained as a subset of a real NISQ 5-qubit superconducting quantum processor based on transmon qubits. We demonstrate that the FCM-based QEM technique allows for reasonable improvement of the expectation values of single- and two-qubit gates-based quantum circuits,

# Running random single- and two-qubit quantum circuits & algorithms



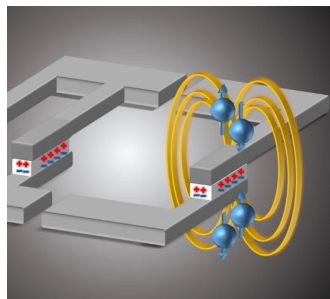


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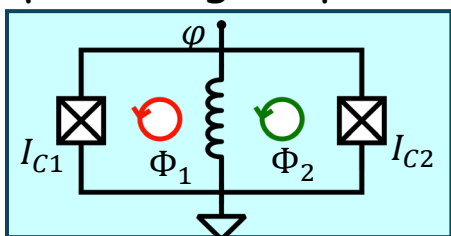
# Software and Algorithms

Transmon qubit based on ferromagnetic JJs-ferrotransmon



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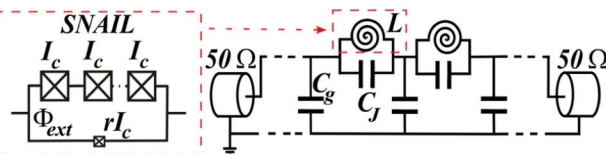


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Josephson Travelling wave parametric amplifier (JTWPA)

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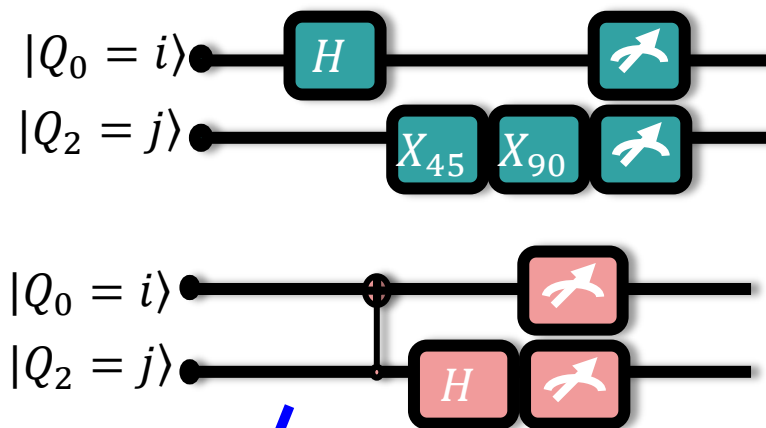


On-chip microwave source of coherent states in superconducting quantum circuits

Credits: P. Mastrovito, C. Cosenza, V. Stasino, H: Ahmad,

Running quantum measurements and protocols

Mitigating Errors on Superconducting Quantum Processors through Fuzzy Clustering



Flexibility in building Hamiltonians (Hamiltonian Engineering), Scaling the number of qubits for running algorithms, Coherence times and impact of noise, improving read out fidelity, novel gate optimization techniques, novel methods for identifying, correcting or mitigating errors on quantum measurements

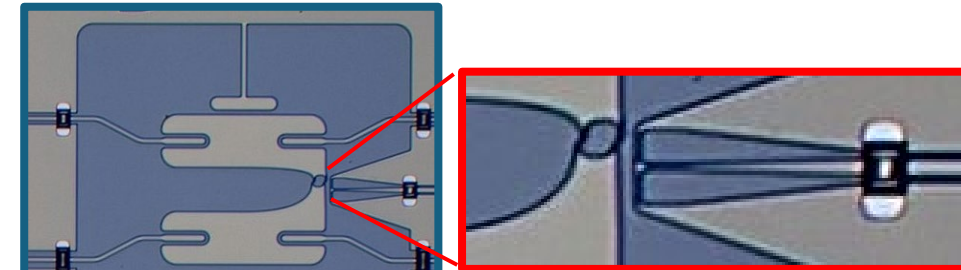
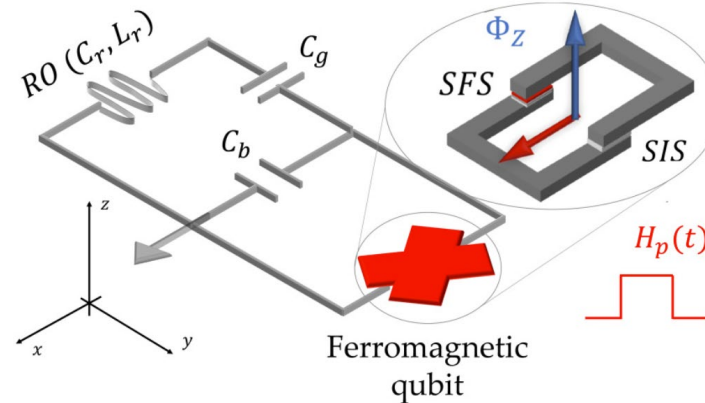
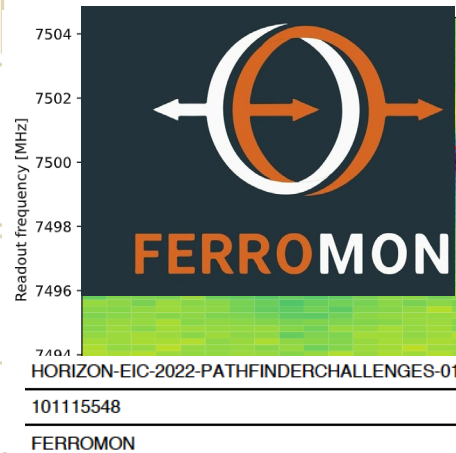




# The ferrotransmon

The strong need for an increasing number of qubits in superconducting quantum processors for quantum computing requires **novel solutions to improve scalability.**

**Tunability** of qubit frequencies is essential for implementing two-qubit gates, and is achieved through the integration of Superconducting Quantum Interference Devices (SQUIDs)



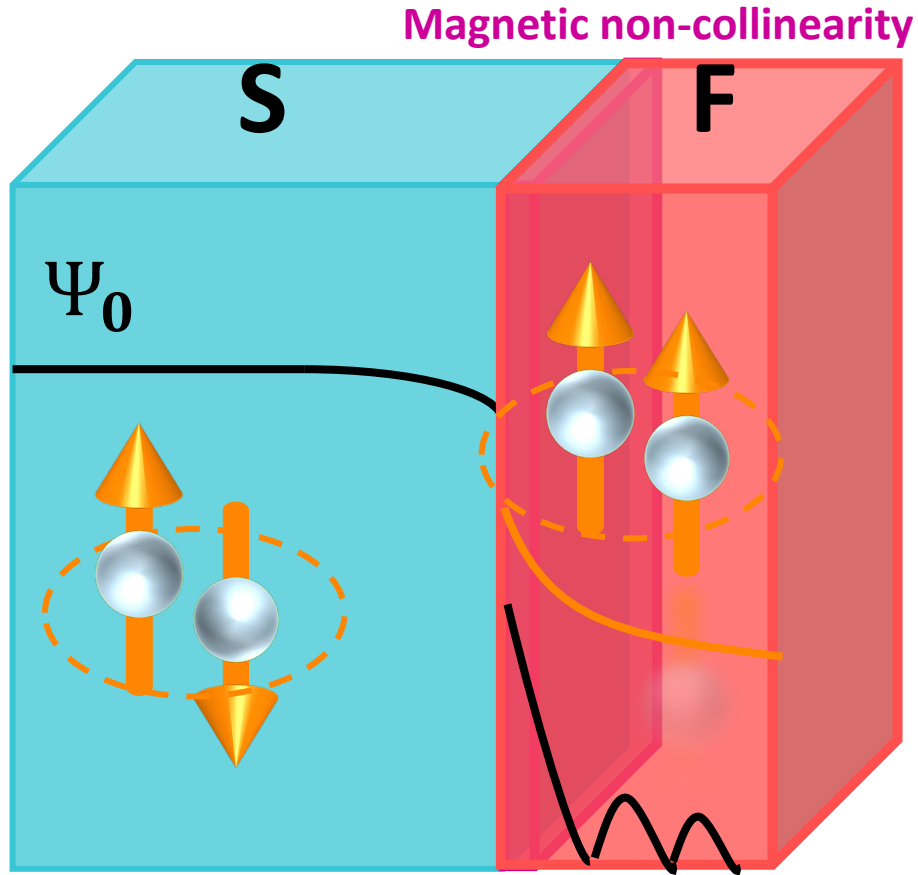
In the frame of the European EIC Pathfinder project Ferromon, we want to reduce the space occupied by tunability circuitry, by integrating unconventional **ferromagnetic Josephson junctions** in transmon qubits!



# TUNNEL MAGNETIC JOSEPHSON JUNCTIONS TOWARDS HYBRID SUPERCONDUCTING QUANTUM ARCHITECTURES

TALK BY ROBERTA SATARIANO

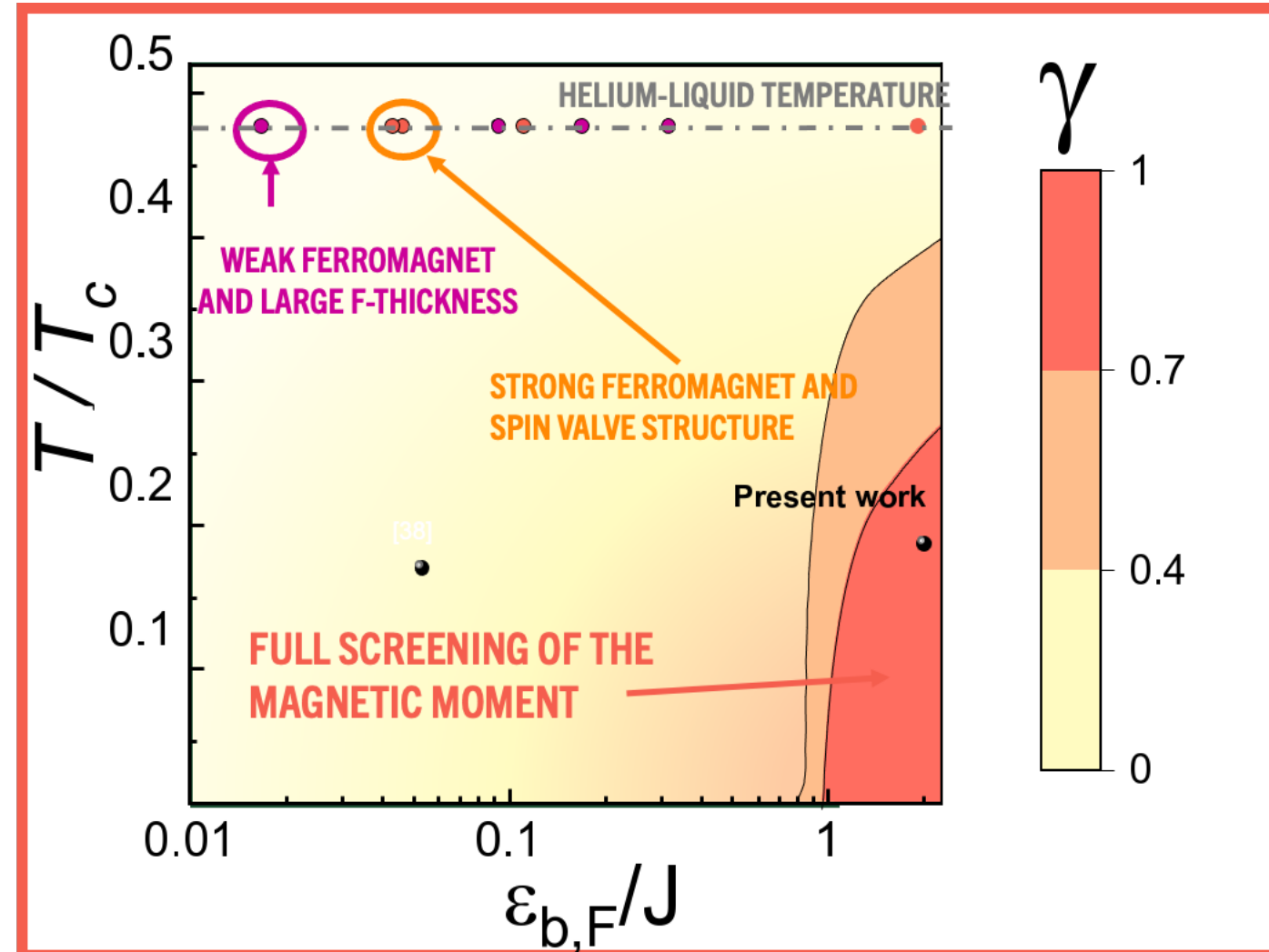
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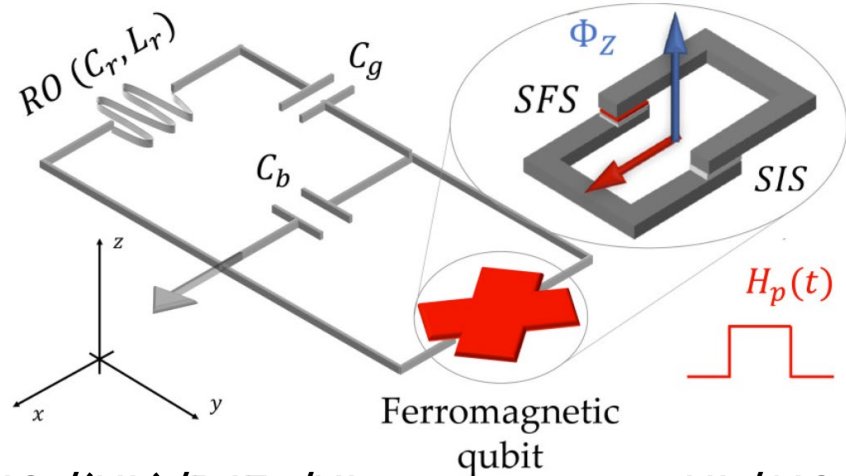
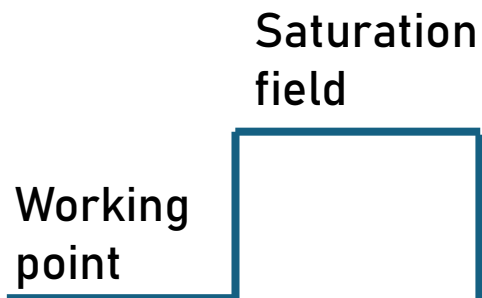
Spin-triplet superconductivity

0 -  $\pi$  phase transition

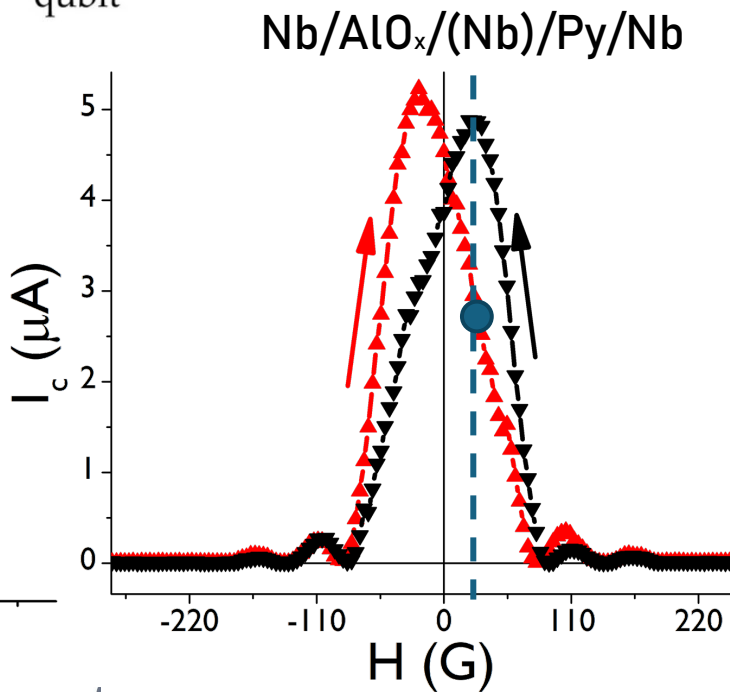
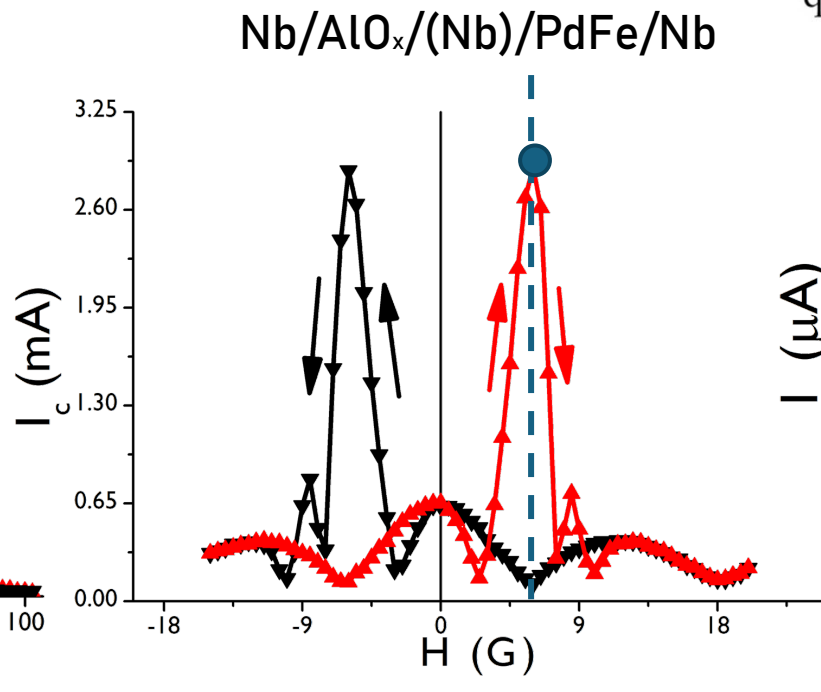
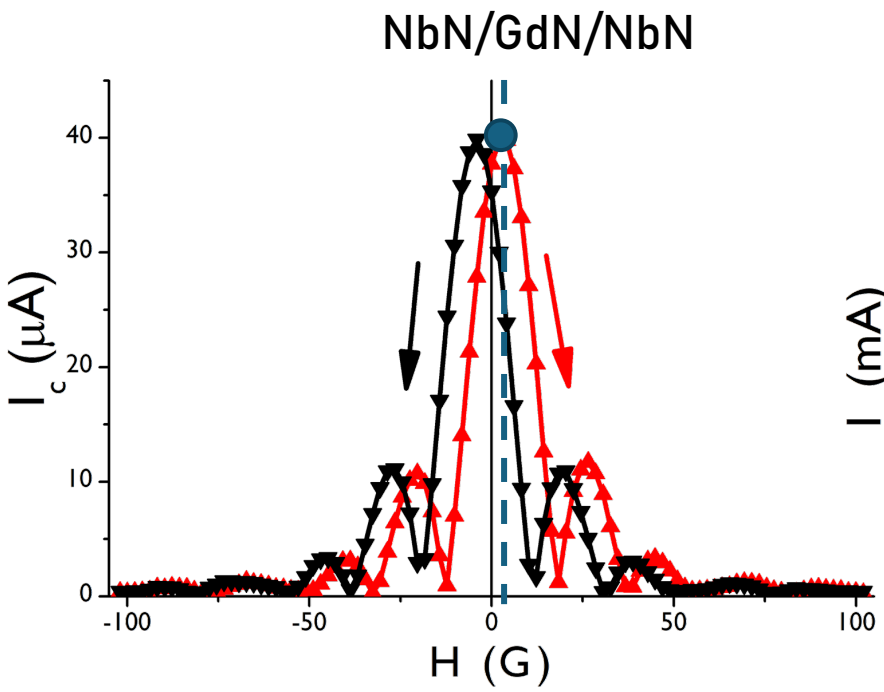
## Spin screening at the S/F interface



# The ferrotransmon



Ahmad et al., Hybrid ferromagnetic transmon qubit: Circuit design, feasibility, and detection protocols for magnetic fluctuations, PRB 2022



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## RF assisted switching in magnetic Josephson junctions

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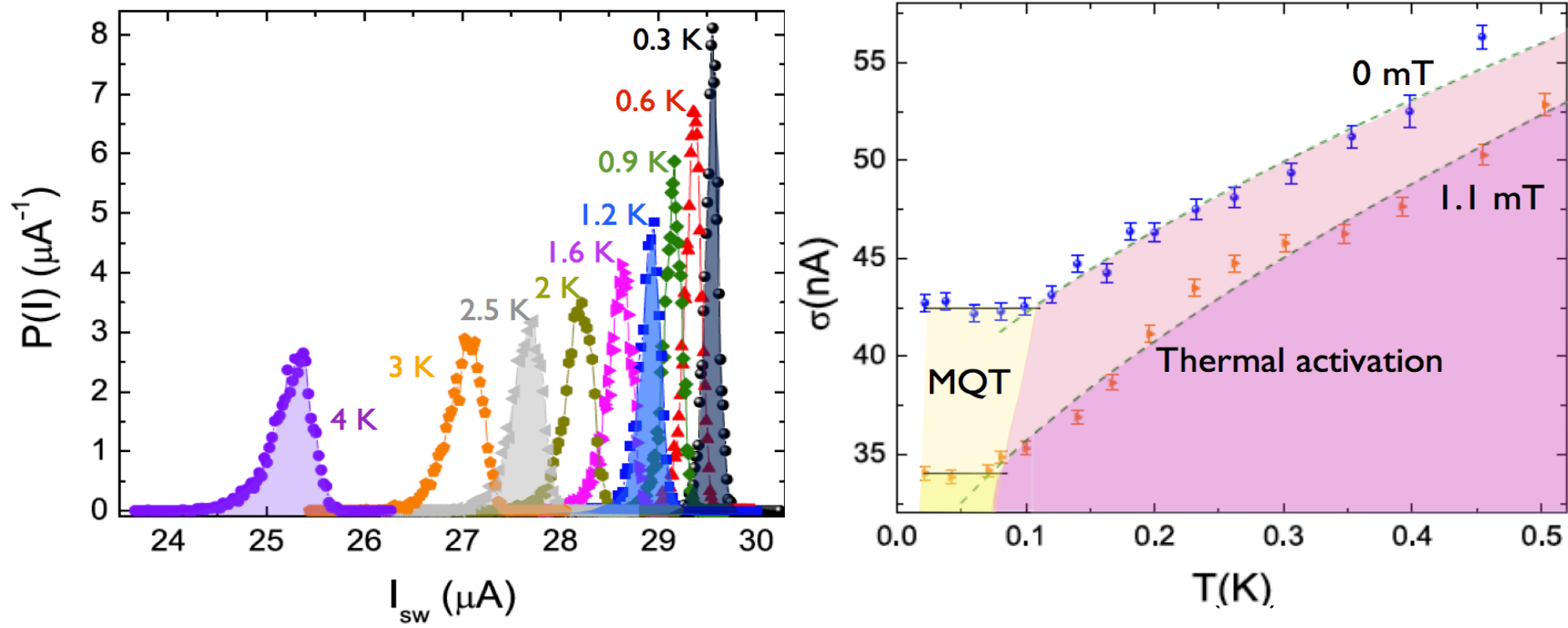
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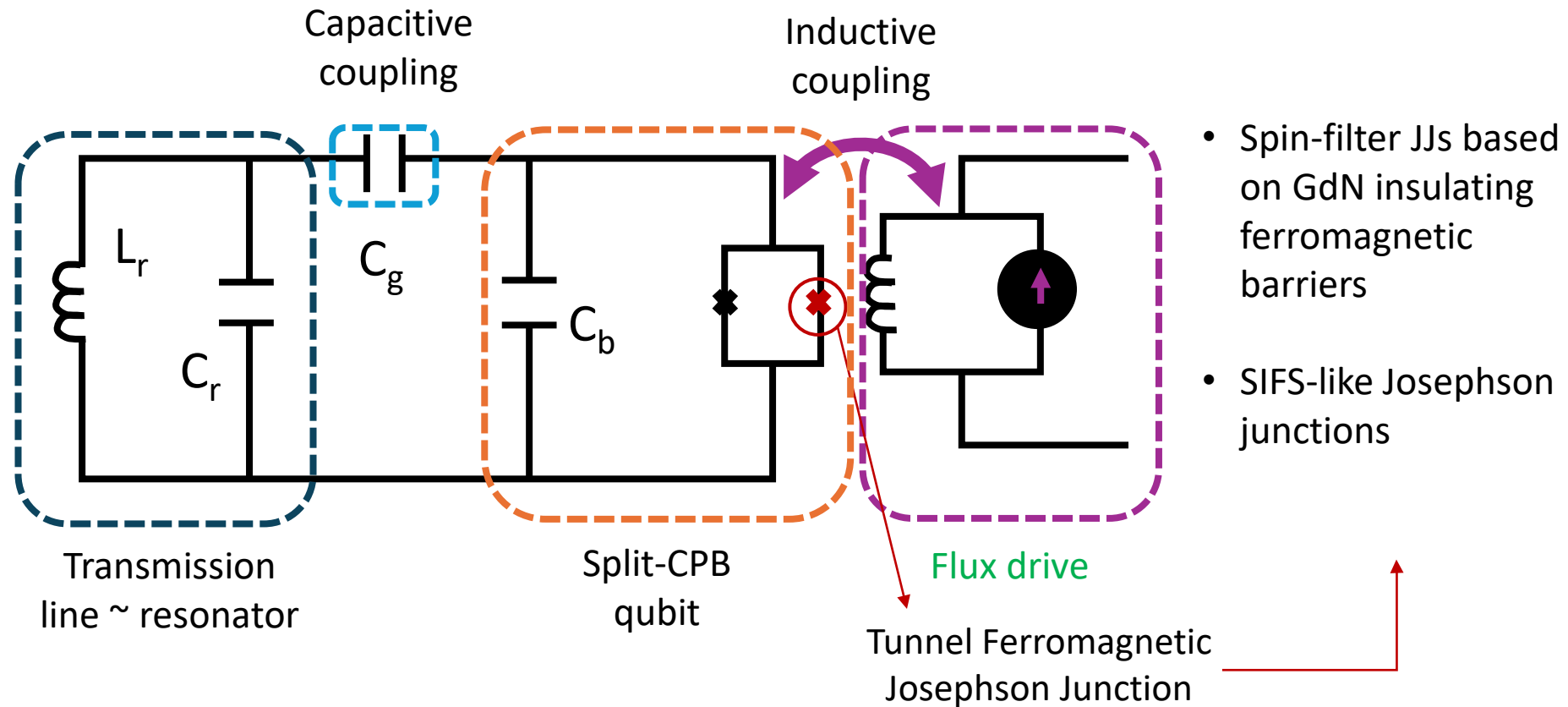
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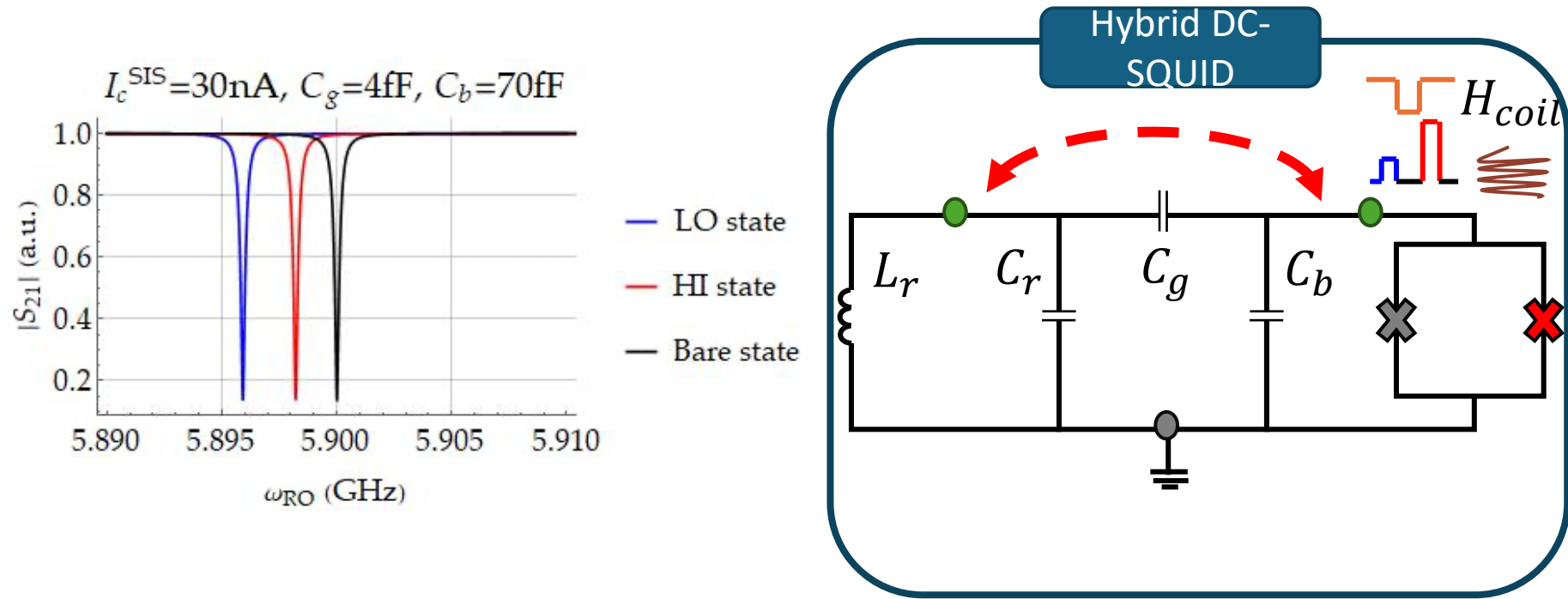
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










## FERRO-TRANSMON CIRCUITAL DESIGN AND SIMULATIONS

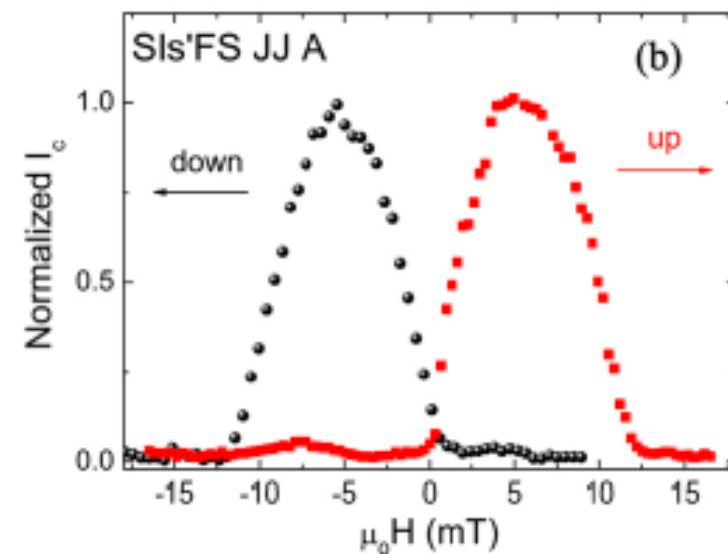
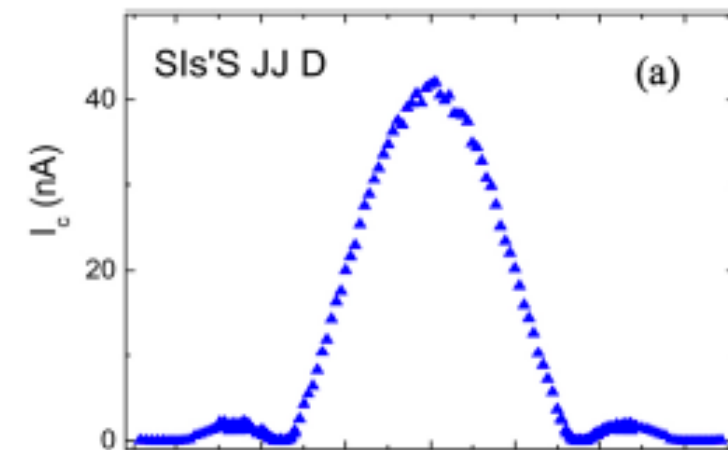
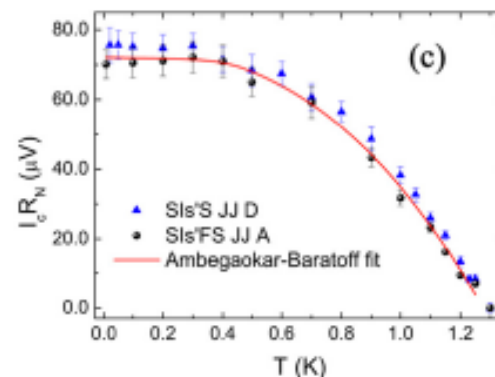
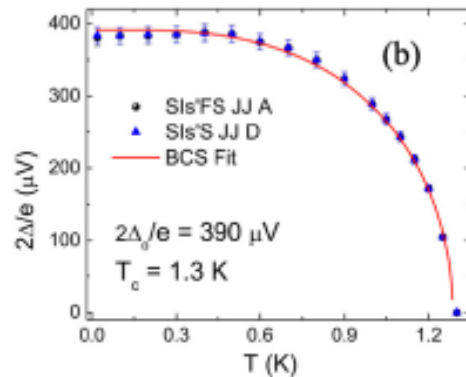
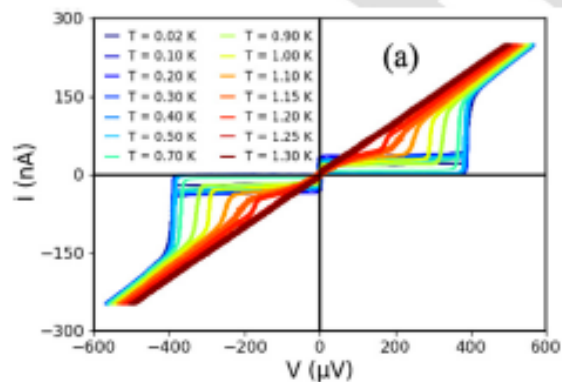
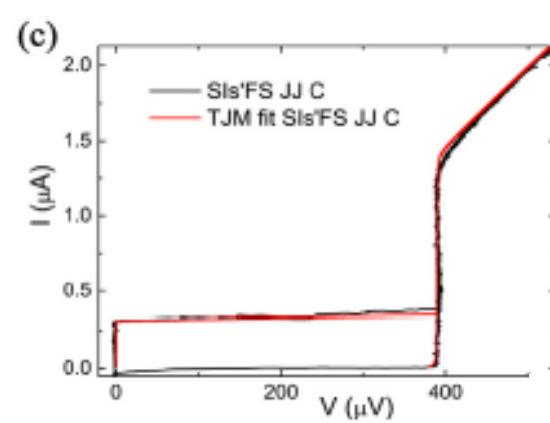
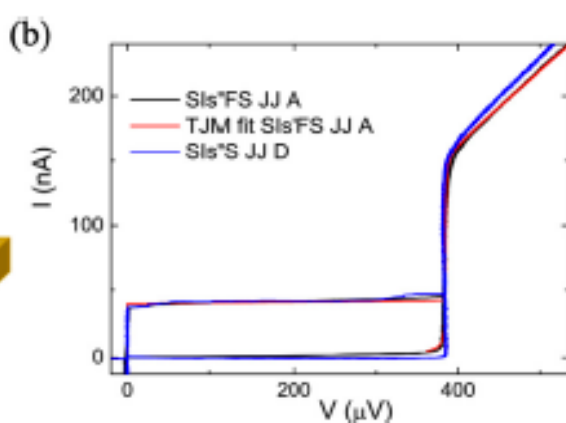
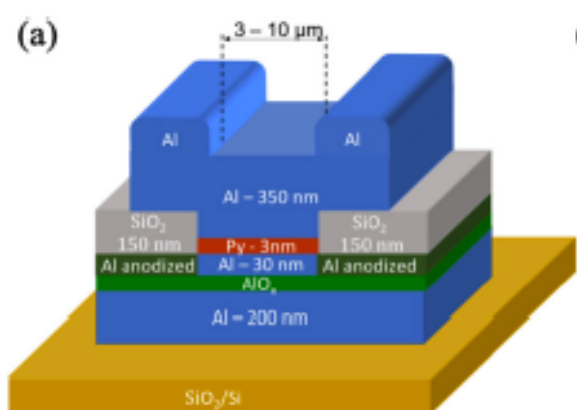
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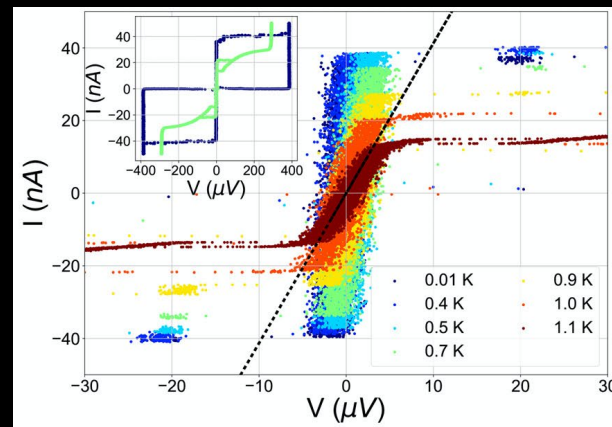
# Phase dynamics of tunnel Al-based ferromagnetic Josephson junctions

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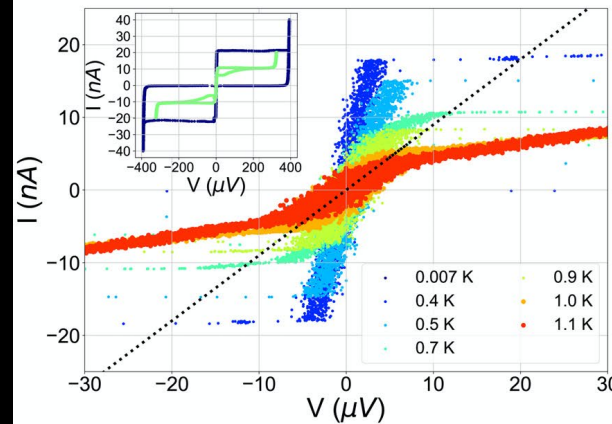


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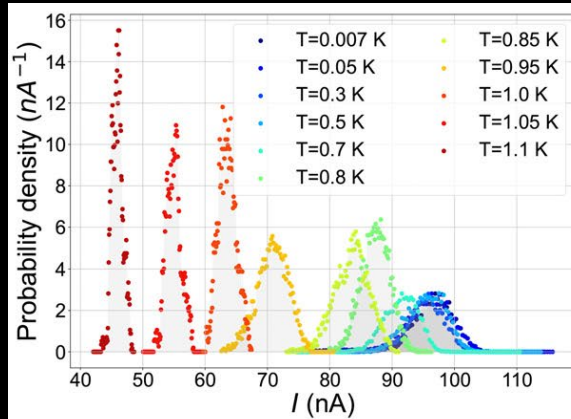
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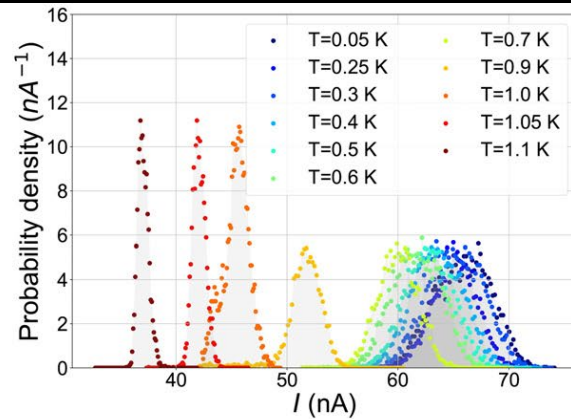
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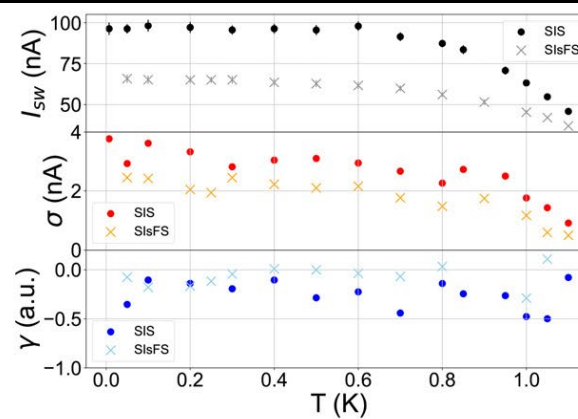
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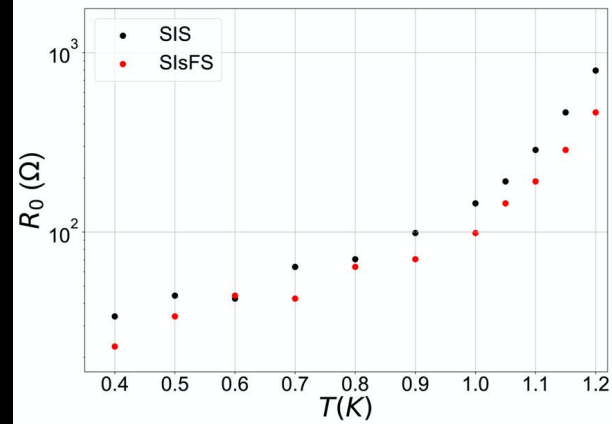
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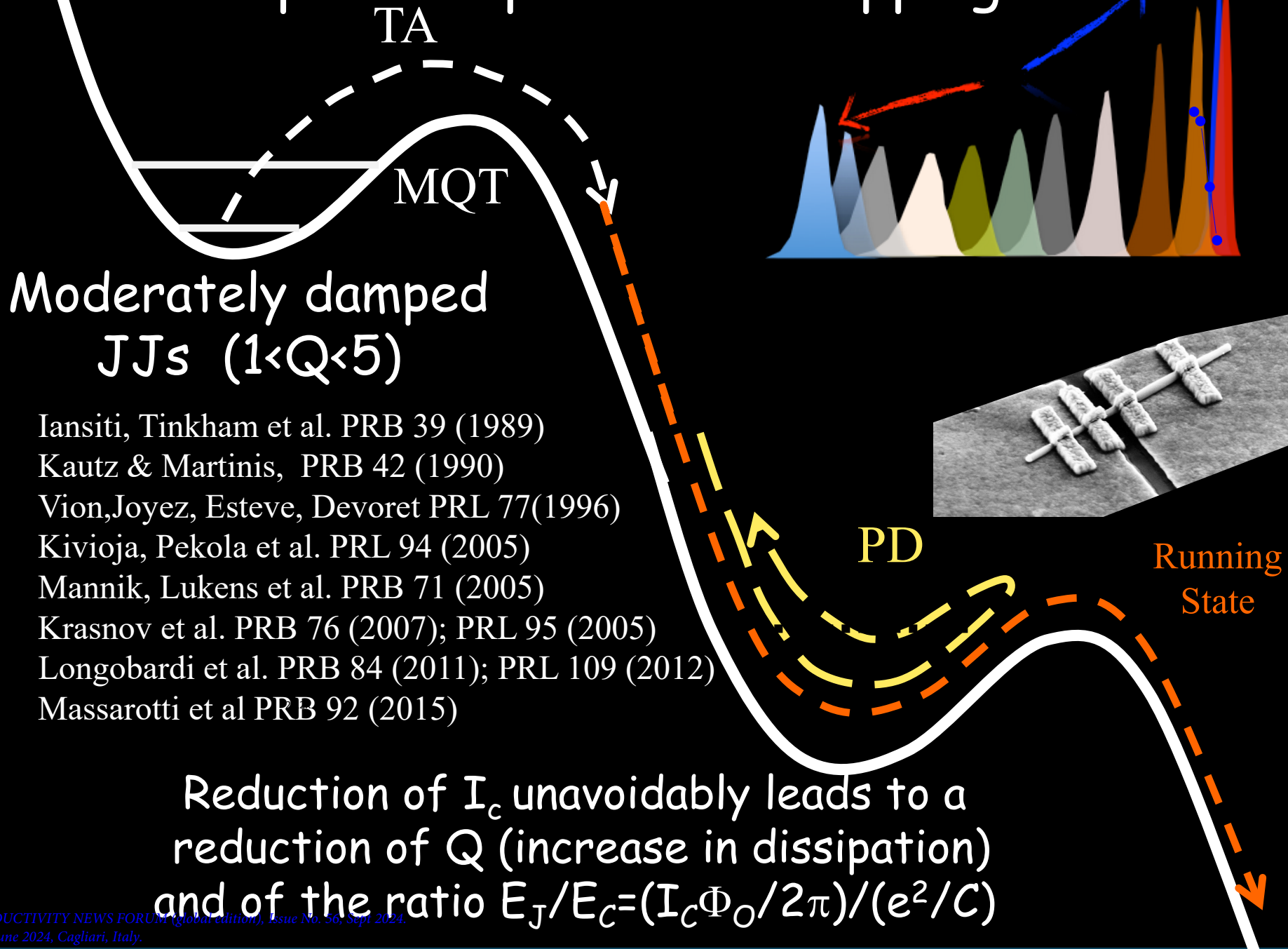
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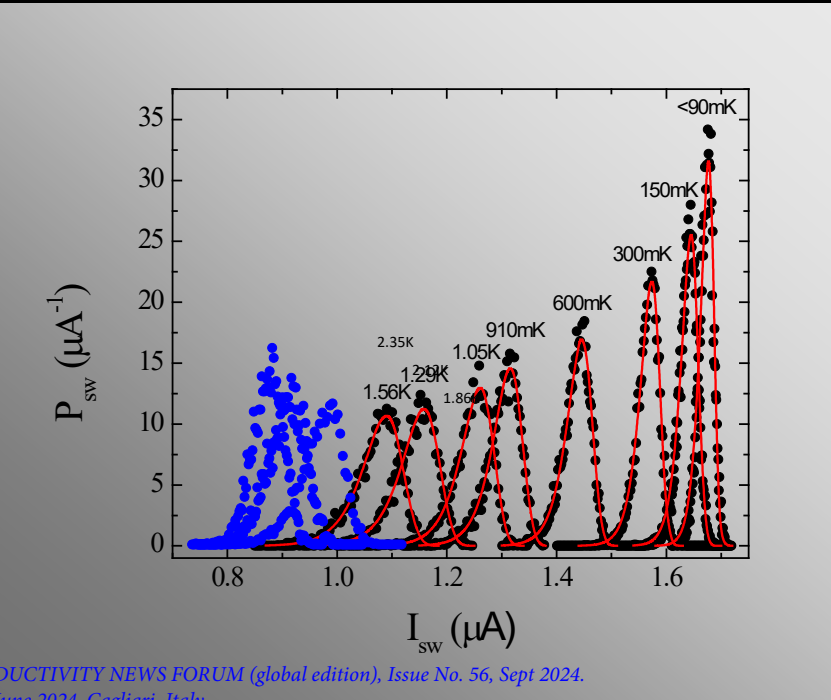
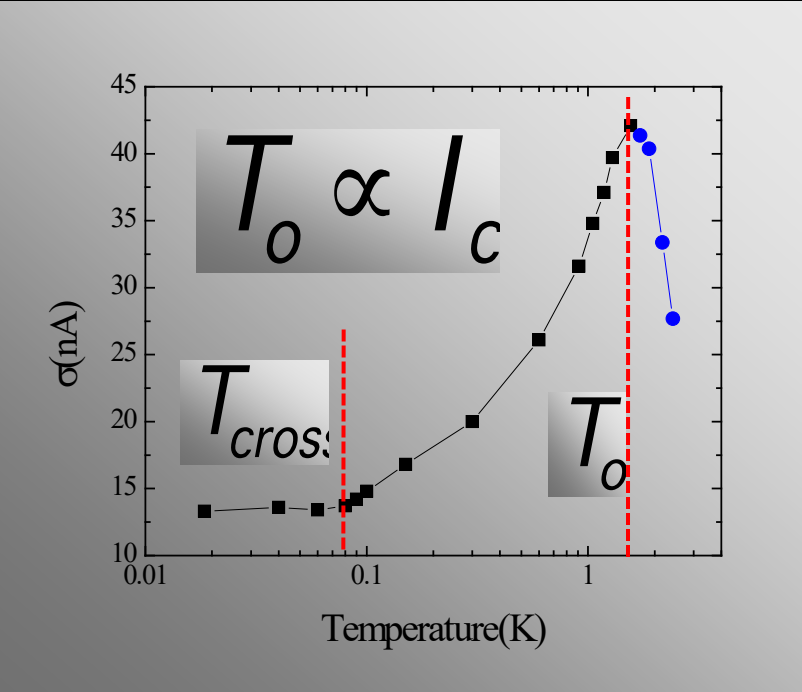
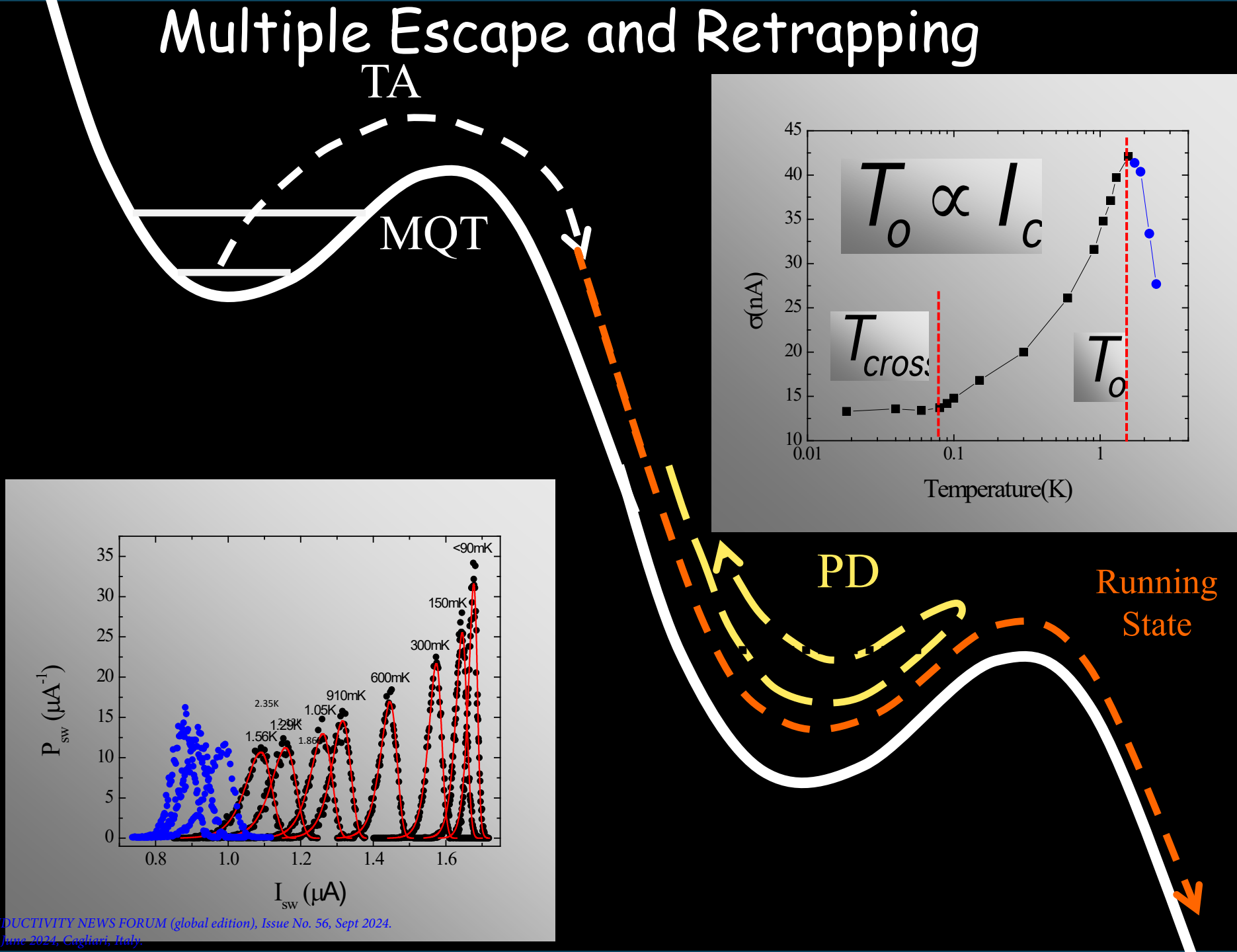


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Reduction of  $I_c$  unavoidably leads to a reduction of  $Q$  (increase in dissipation) and of the ratio  $E_J/E_C = (I_c \Phi_0 / 2\pi) / (e^2 / C)$



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### Noise-affected $I$ - $V$ curves in small hysteretic Josephson junctions

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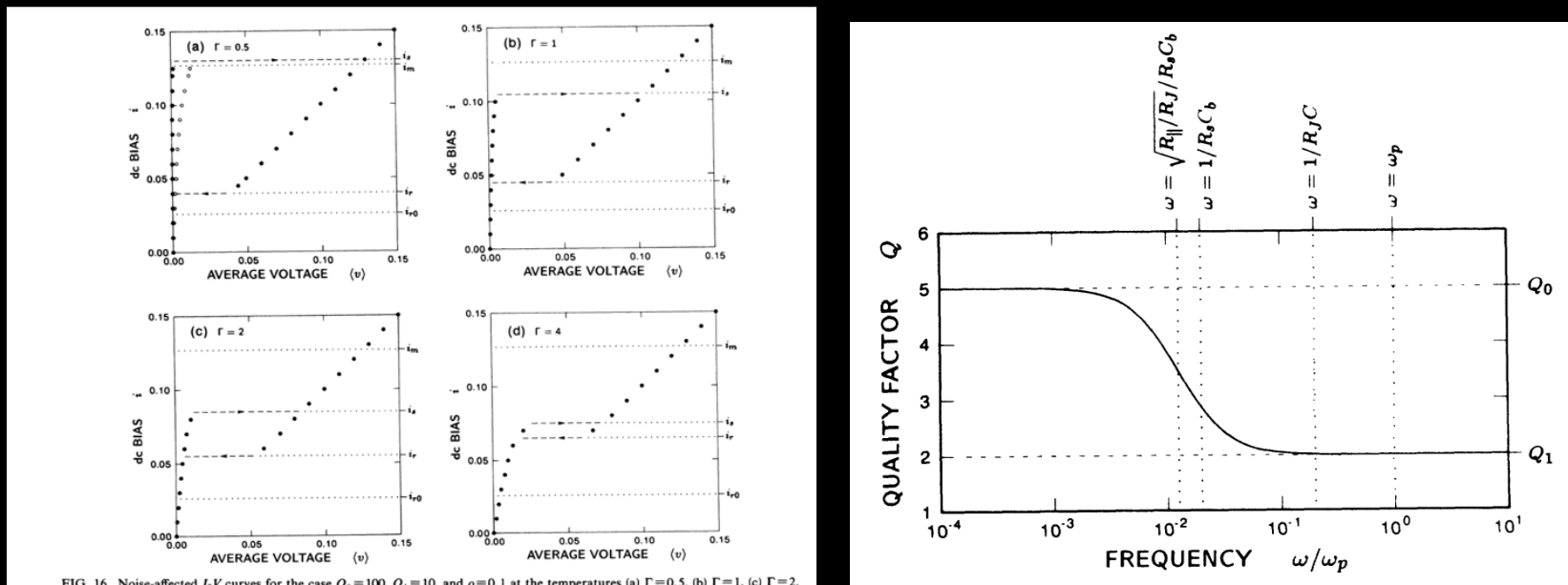
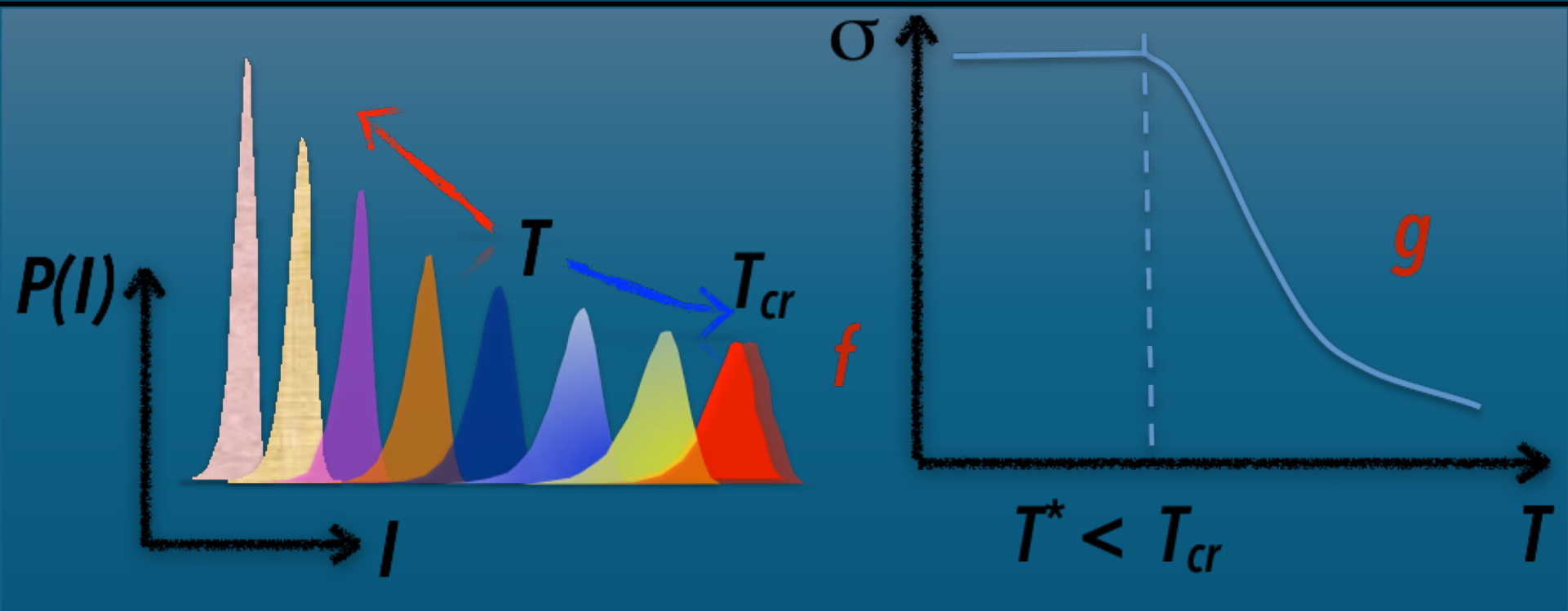


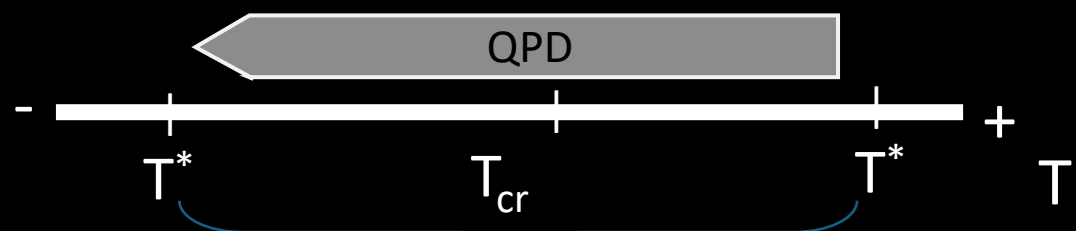
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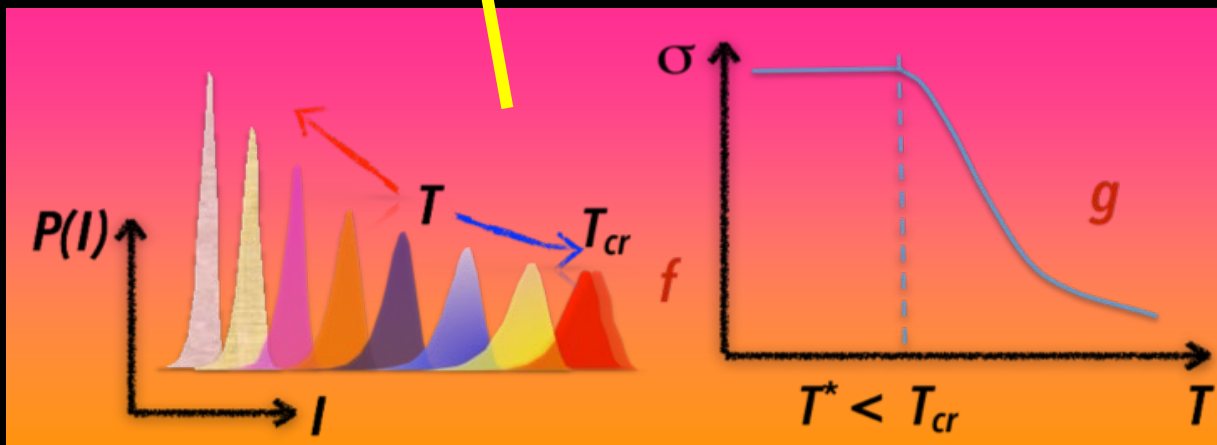
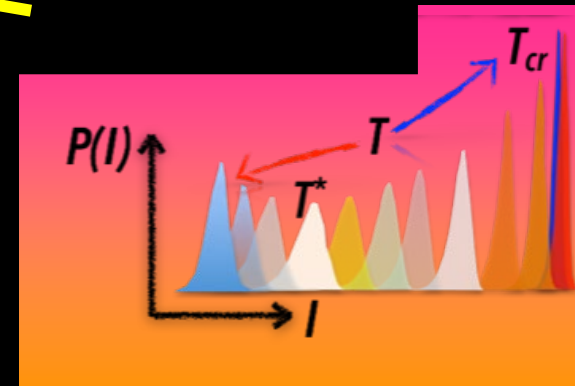
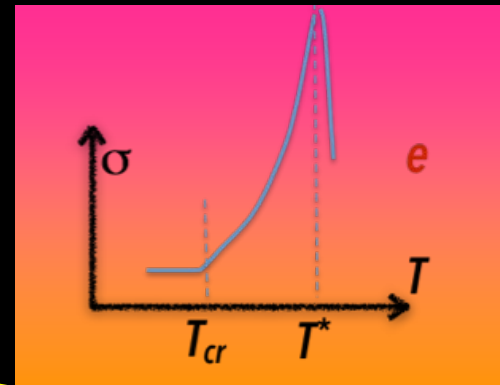
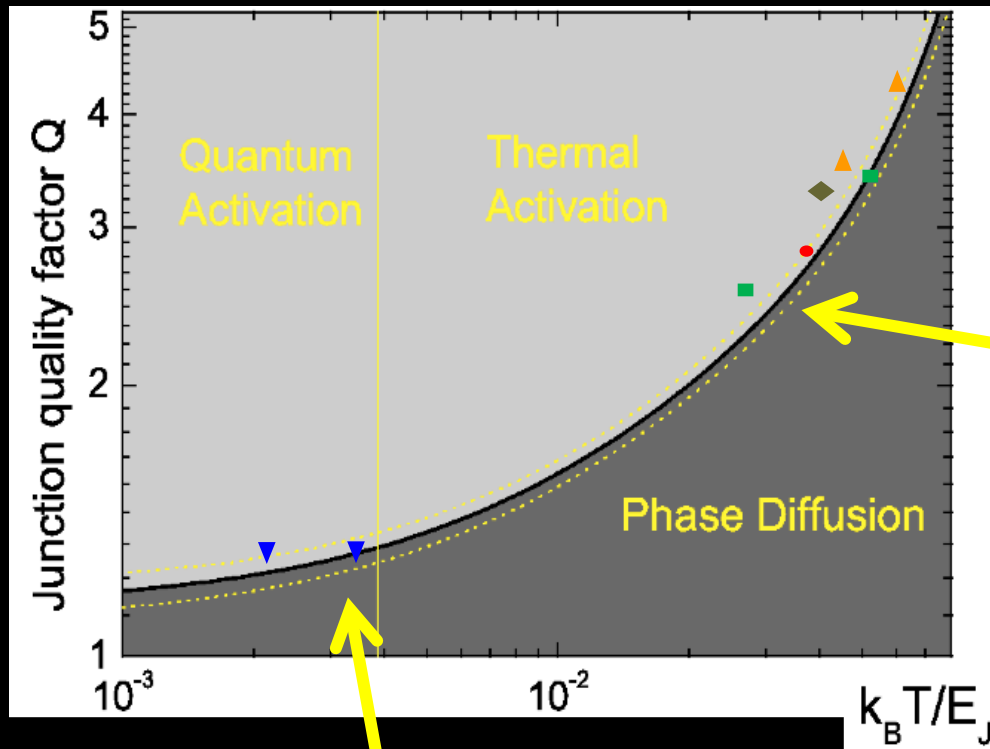
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$$T^* \propto I_c$$

$$T_{cr} \propto \sqrt{I_c / C}$$





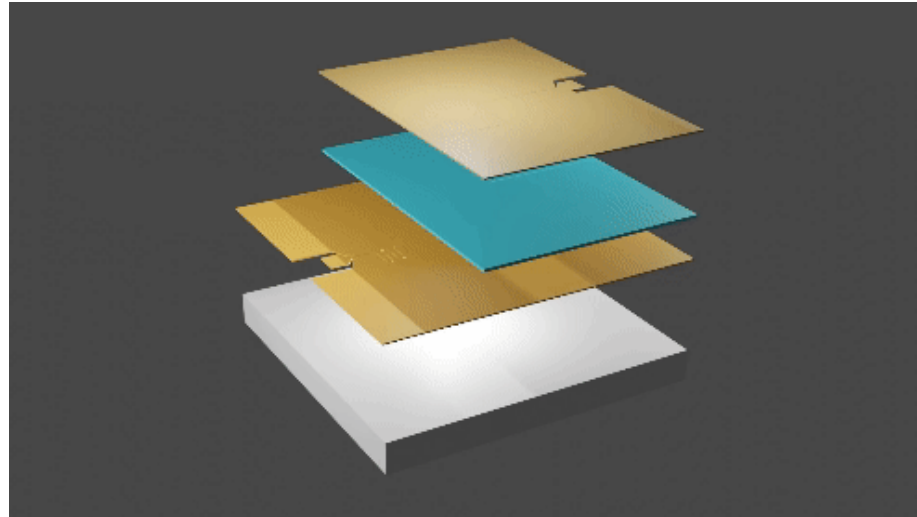
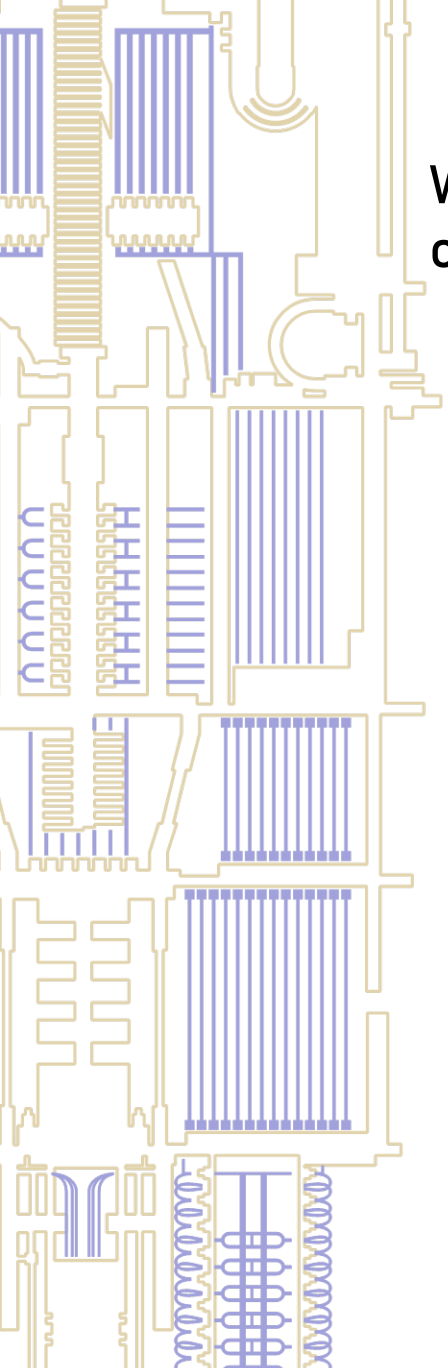


Phase diagram ( $E_J, T$ ):  
the direct PD/MQT  
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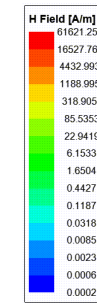
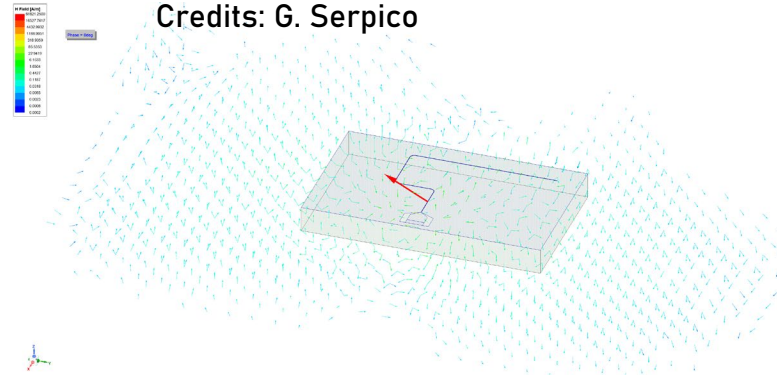
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# The ferrotransmon

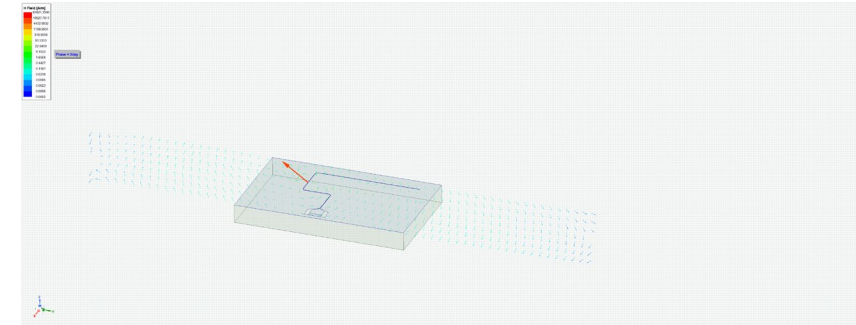
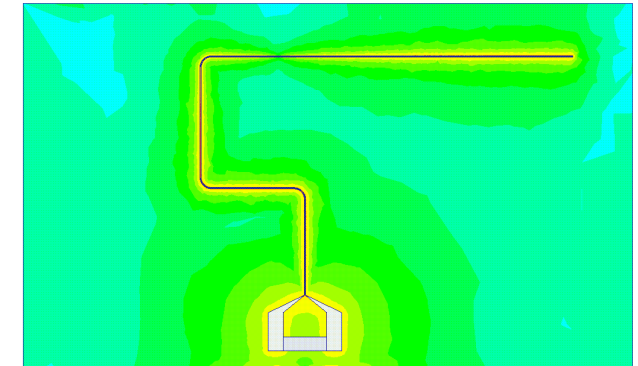
We are working on circuit design of the ferrotransmon in order to increase the scalability of transmon qubits.



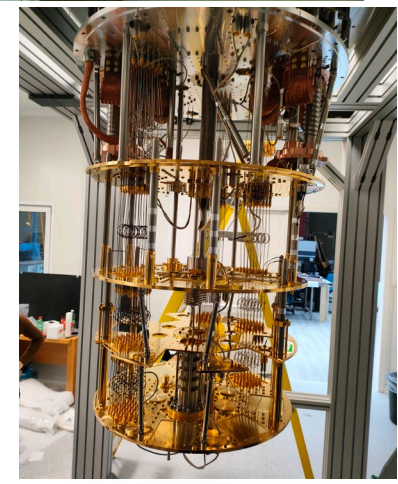
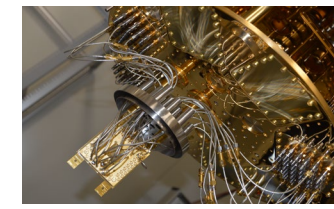
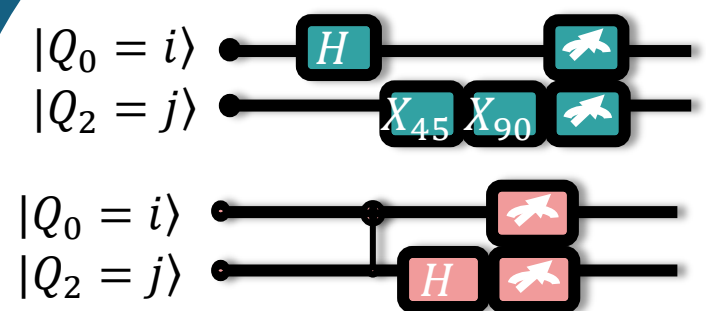
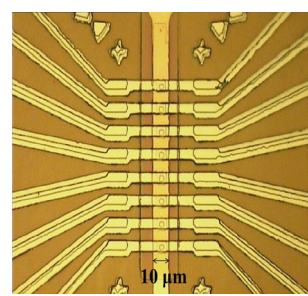
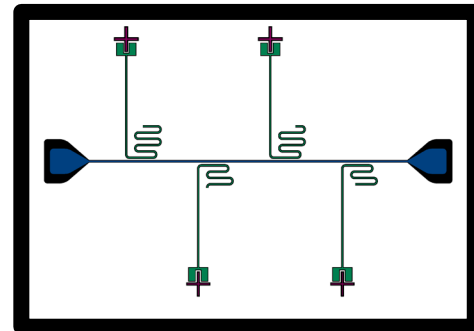
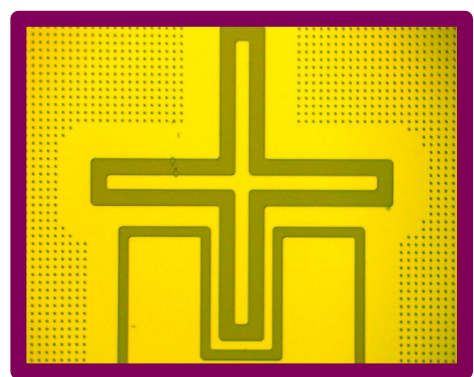
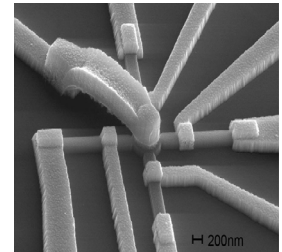
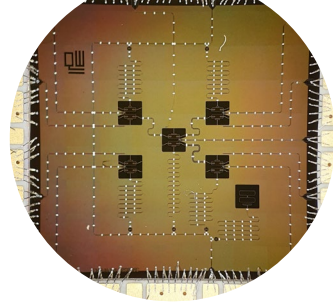
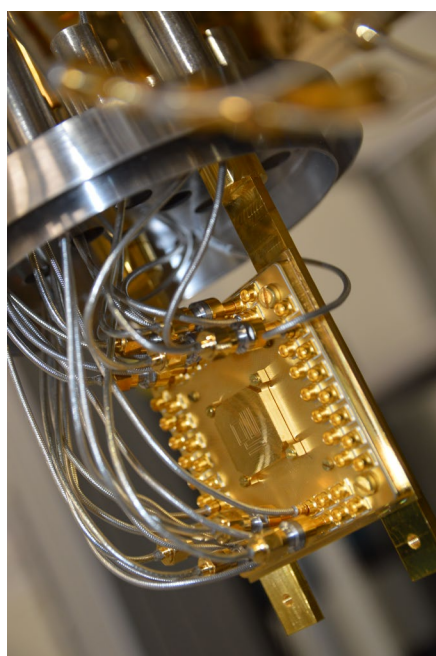
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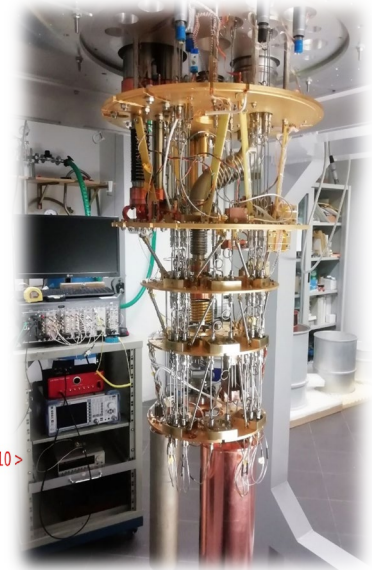
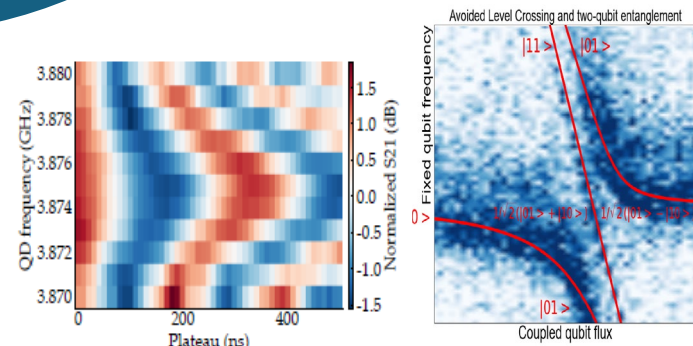
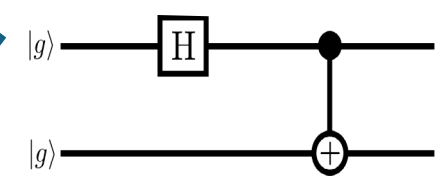
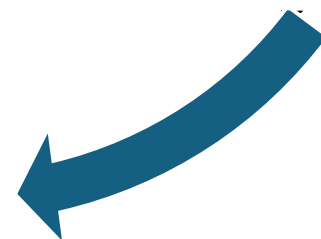




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Measured state

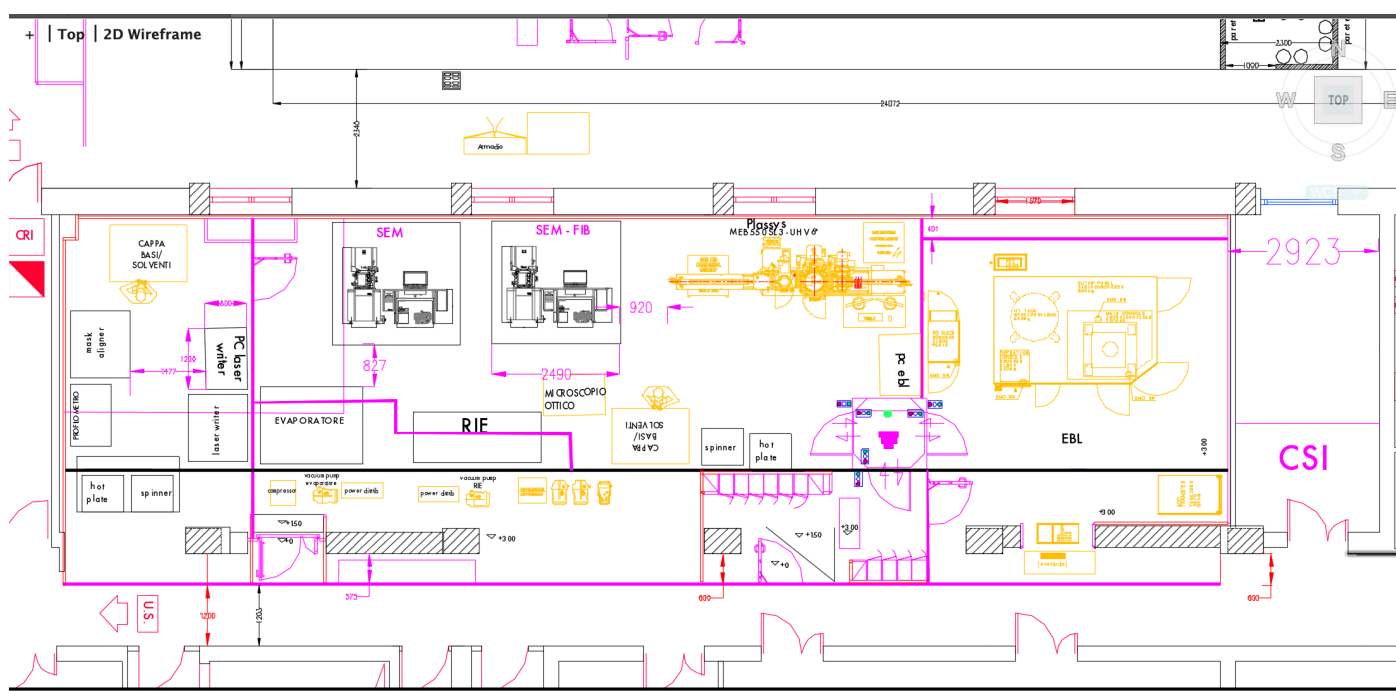
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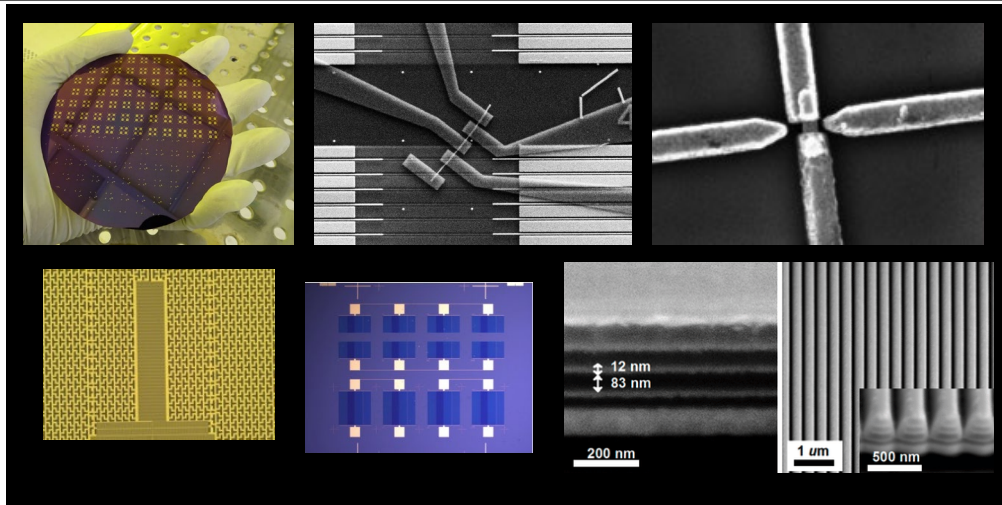


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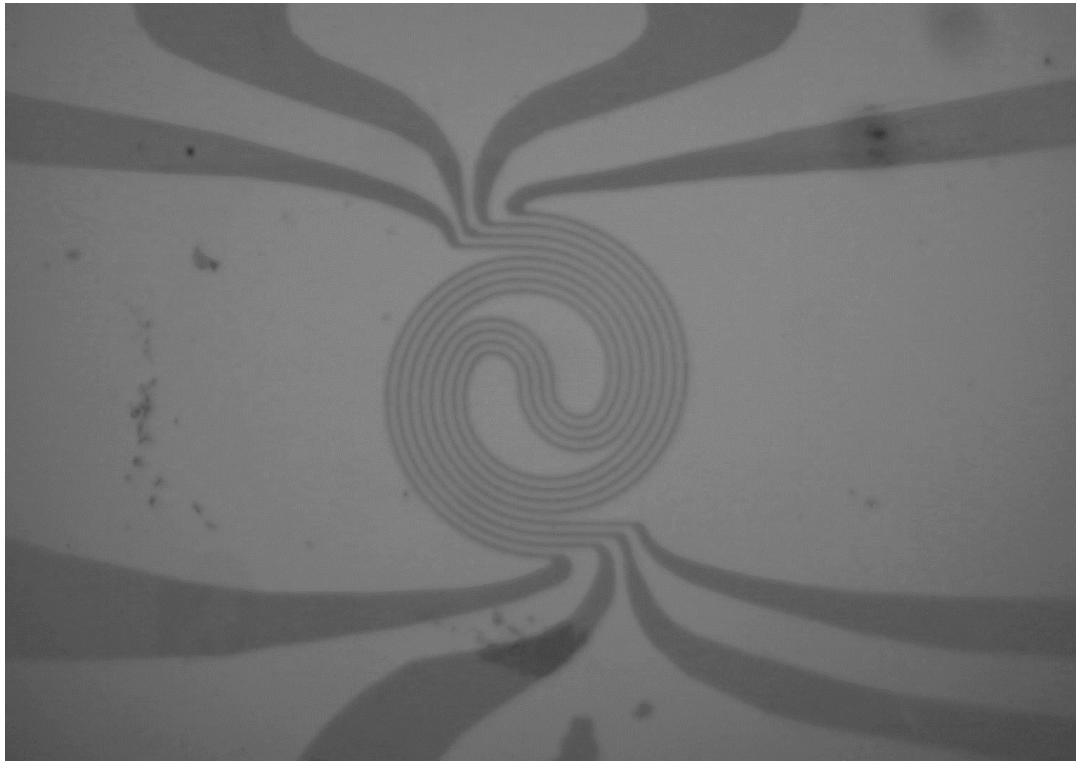
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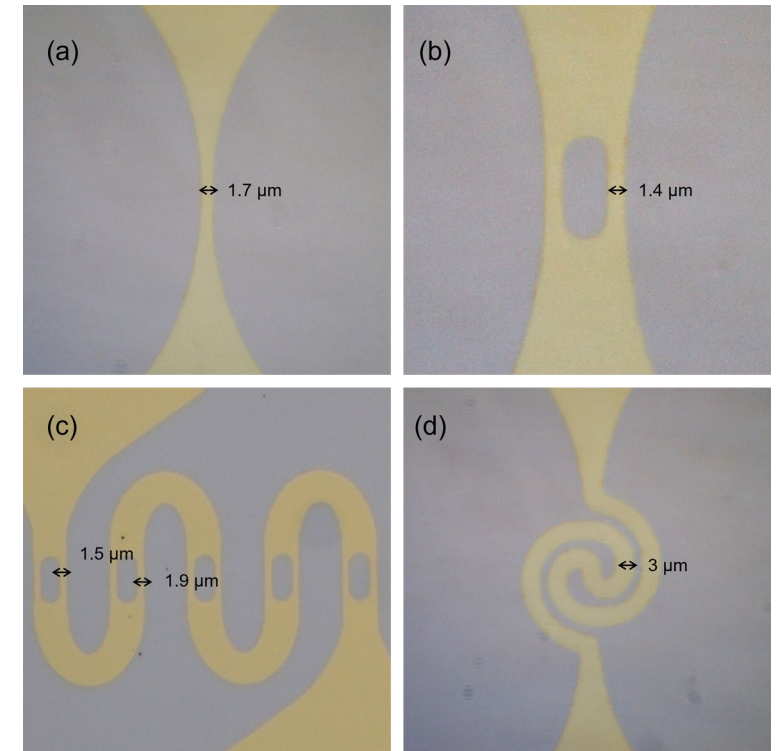


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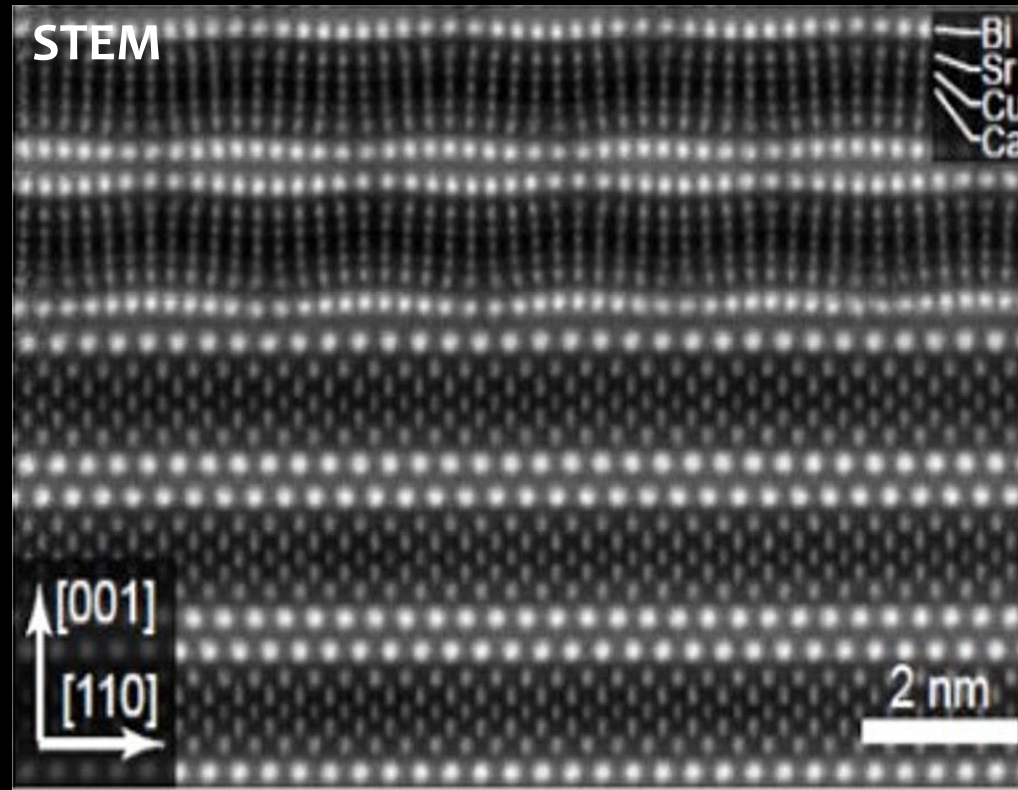
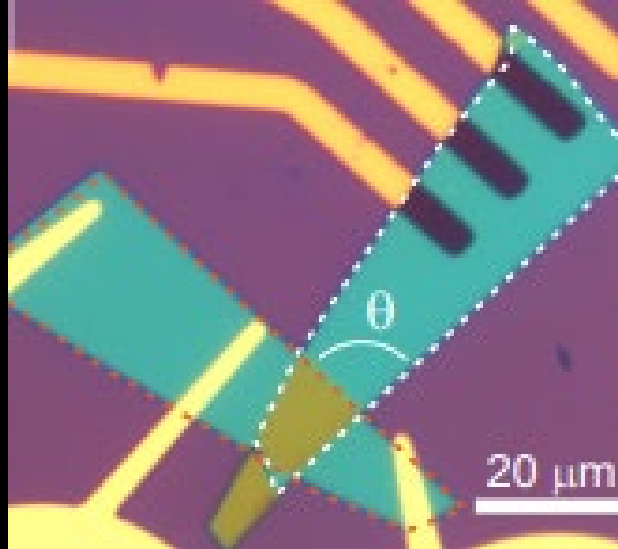
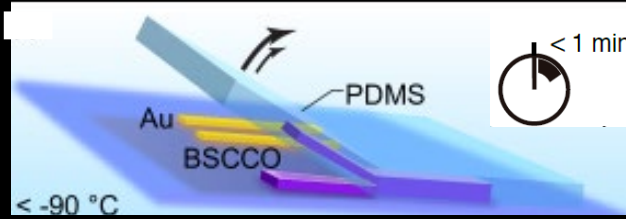
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- New configurations

**$\text{Nb}_{0.15}\text{Re}_{0.85}$  (4 nm)/Al (2 nm)**





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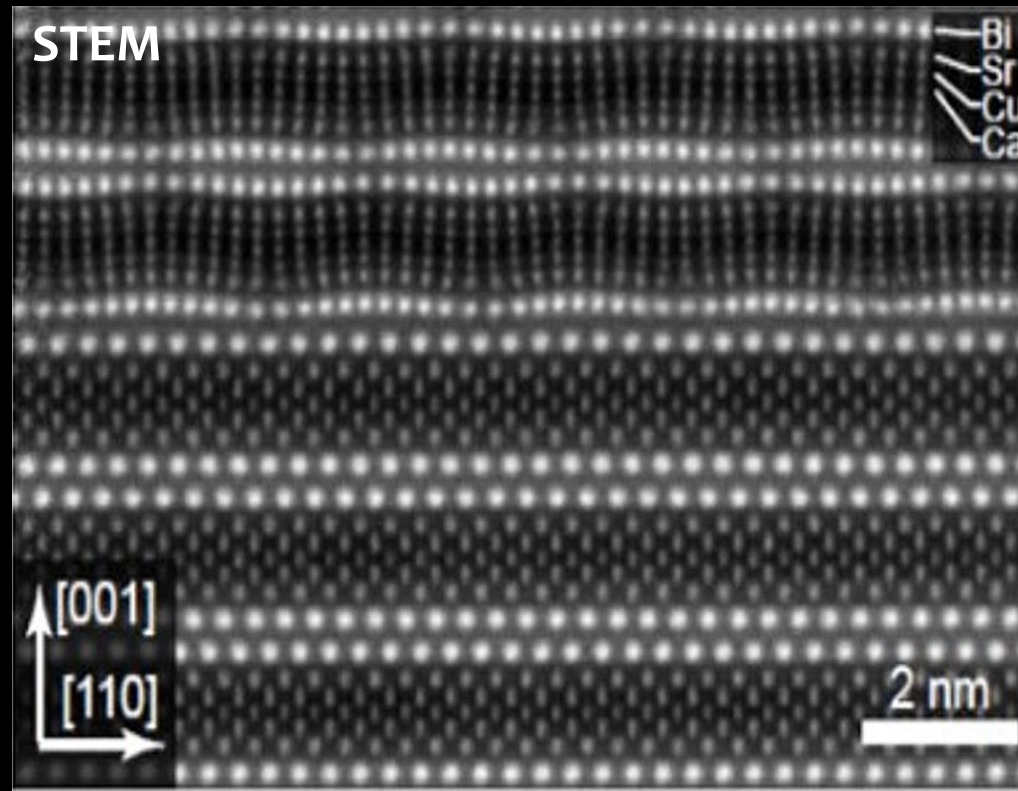
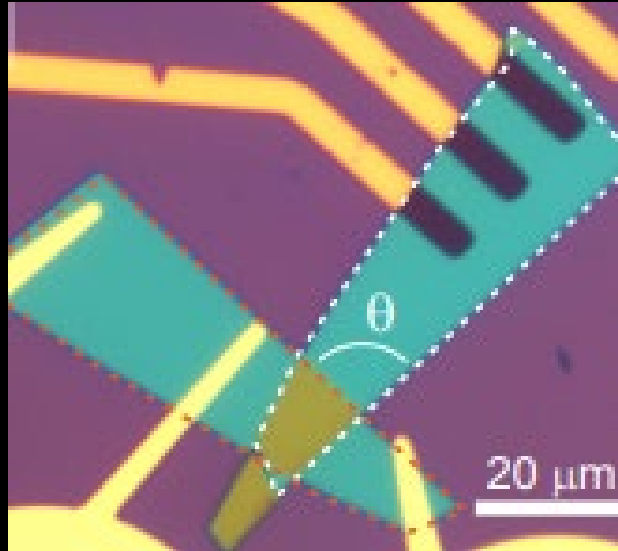
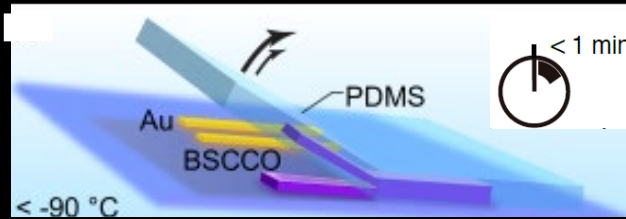
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## Vision for a cuprate twistrionics for quantum hardware

- Integrating novel circuits as part of a twisted cuprate interface
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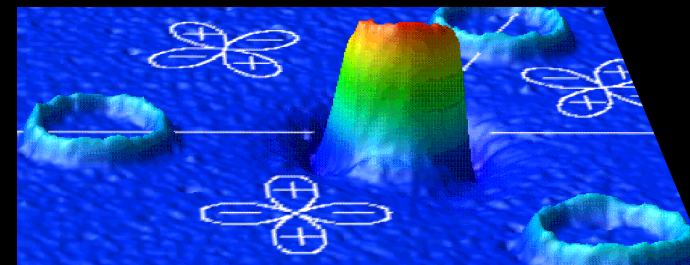
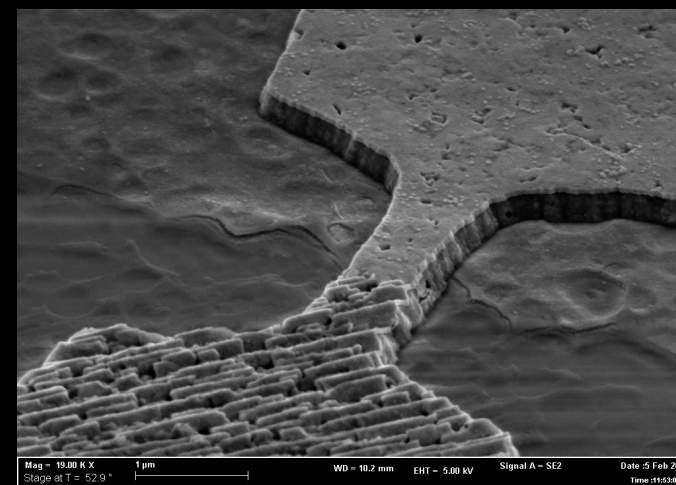
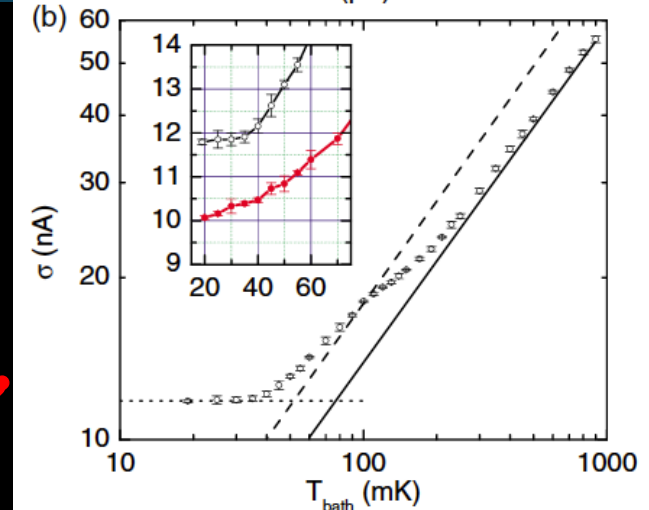
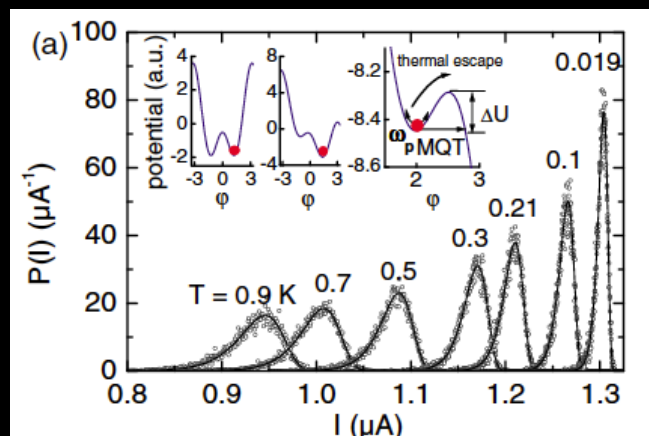
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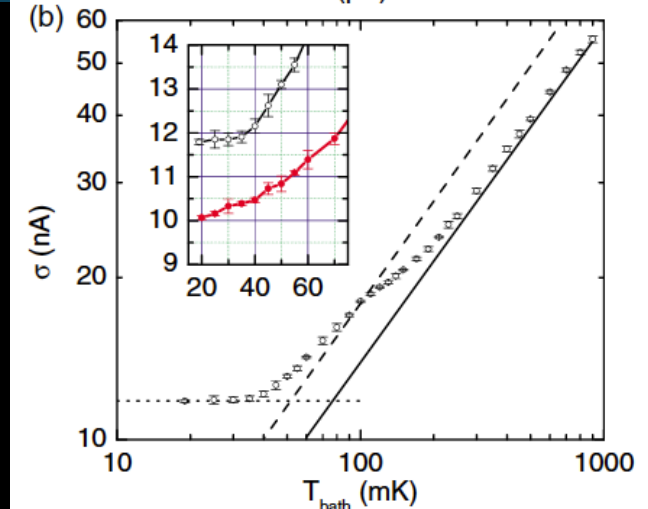
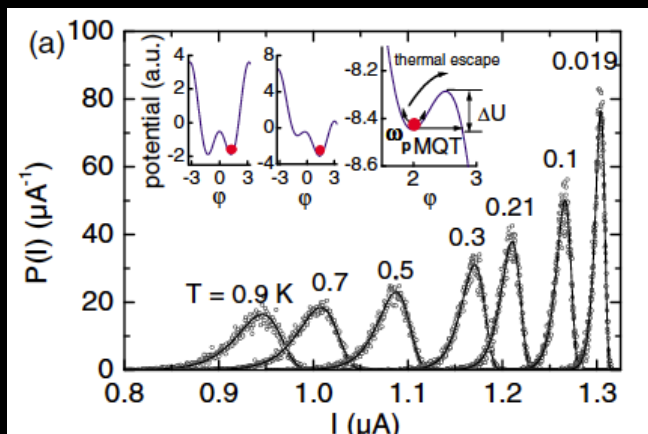
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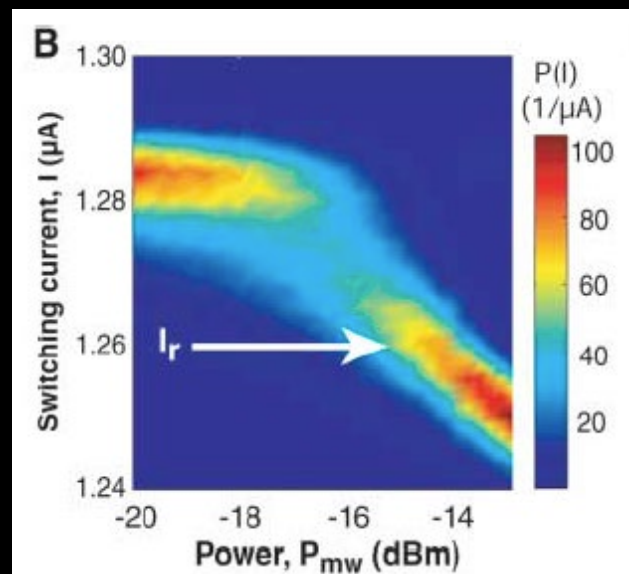
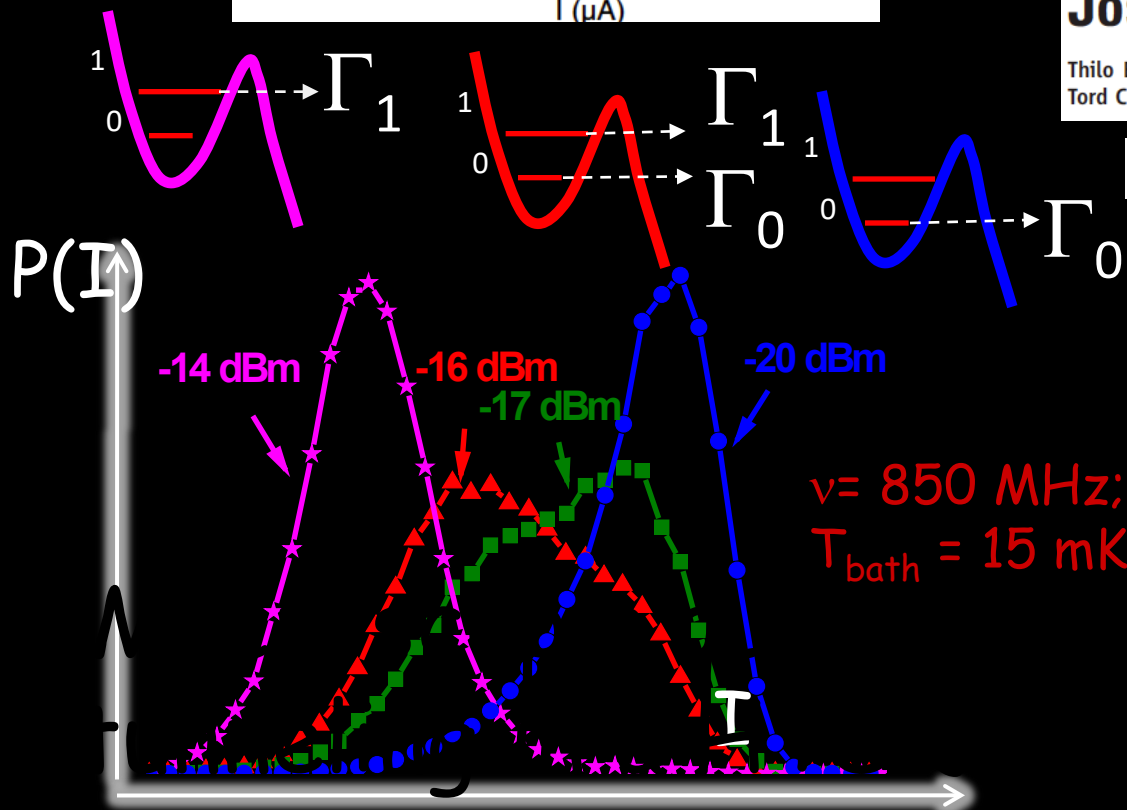
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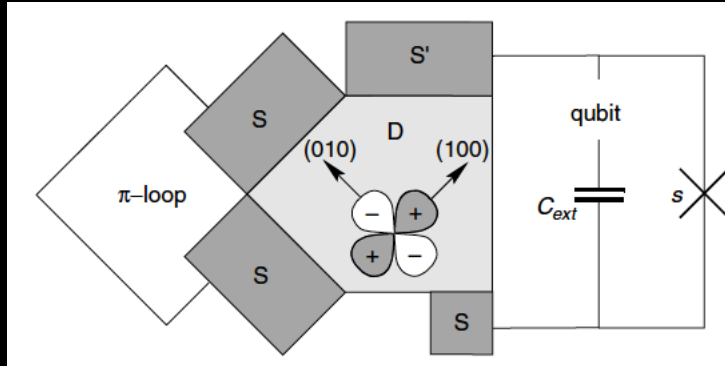




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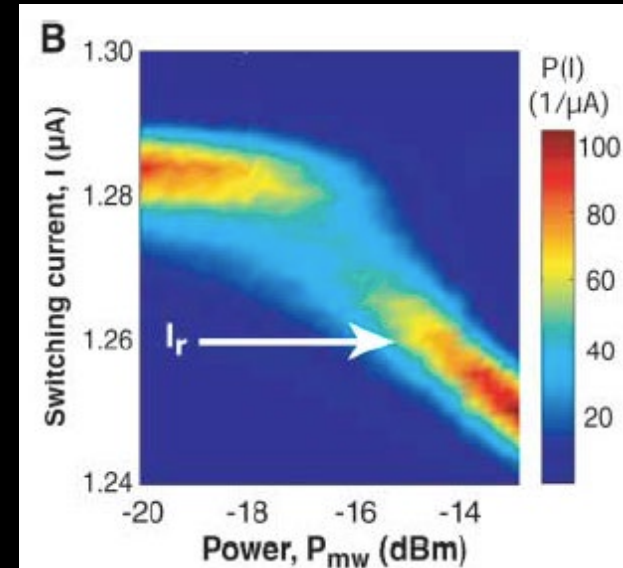
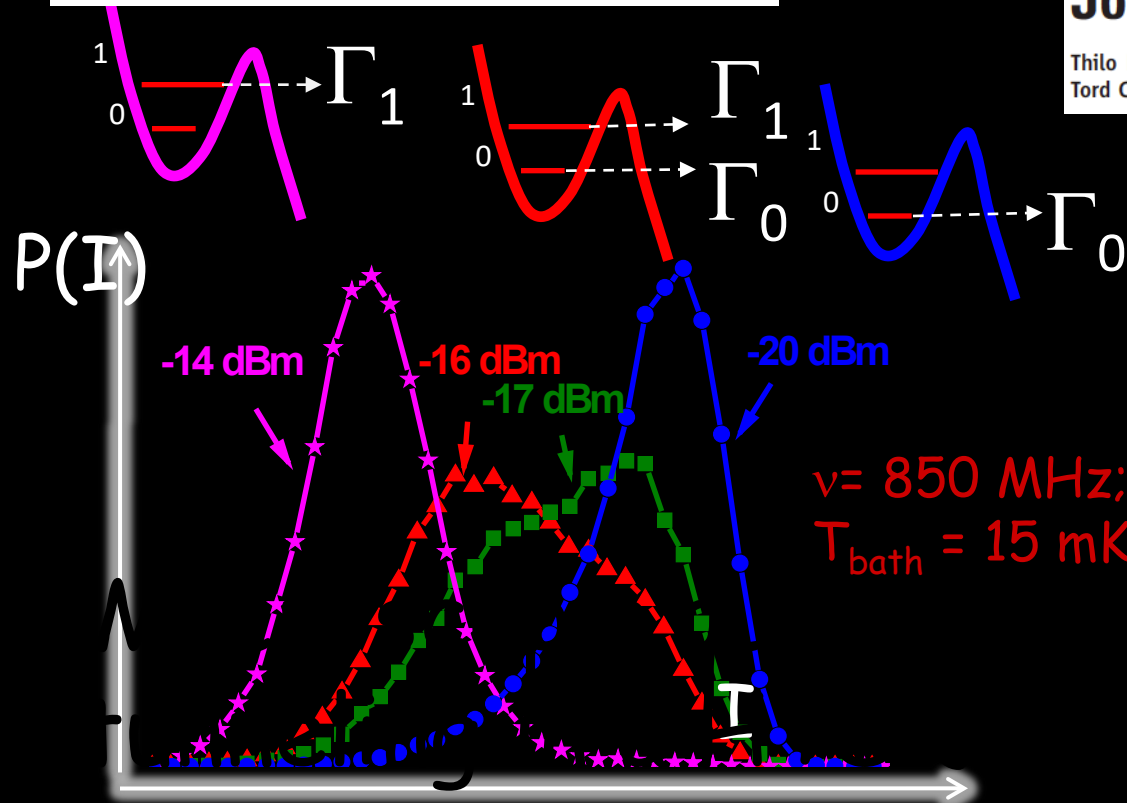


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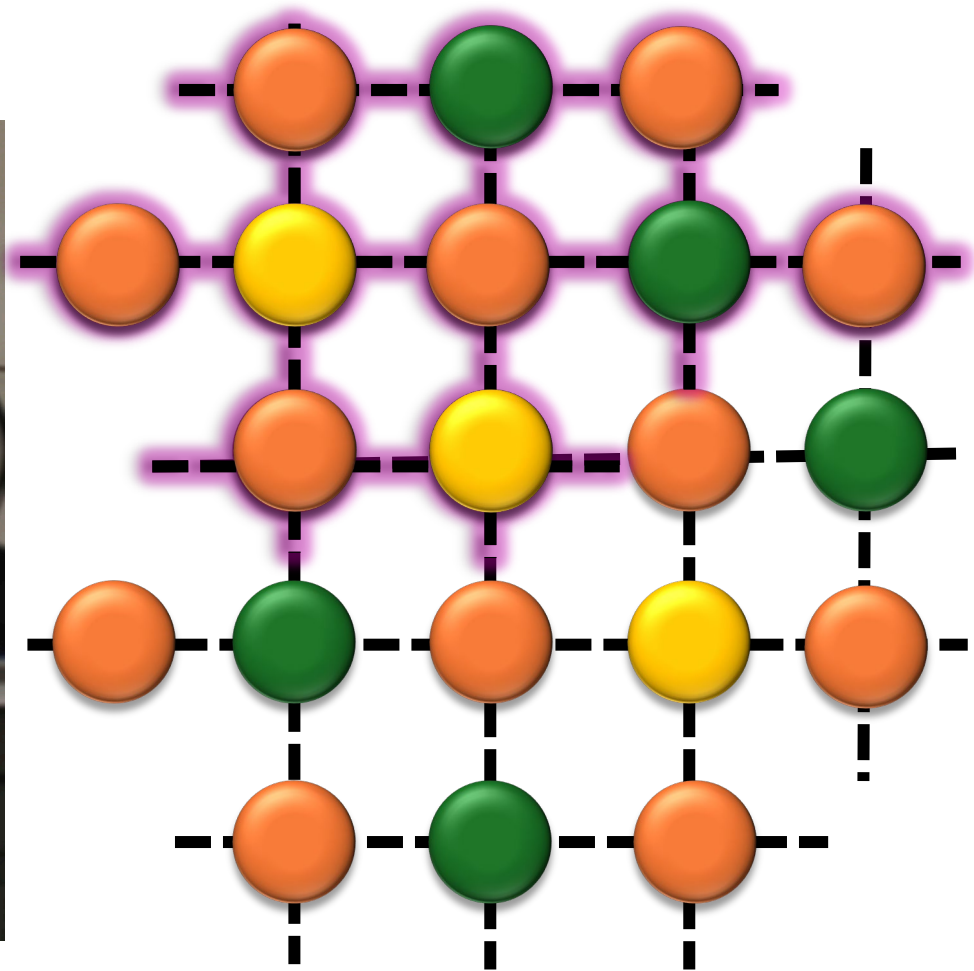
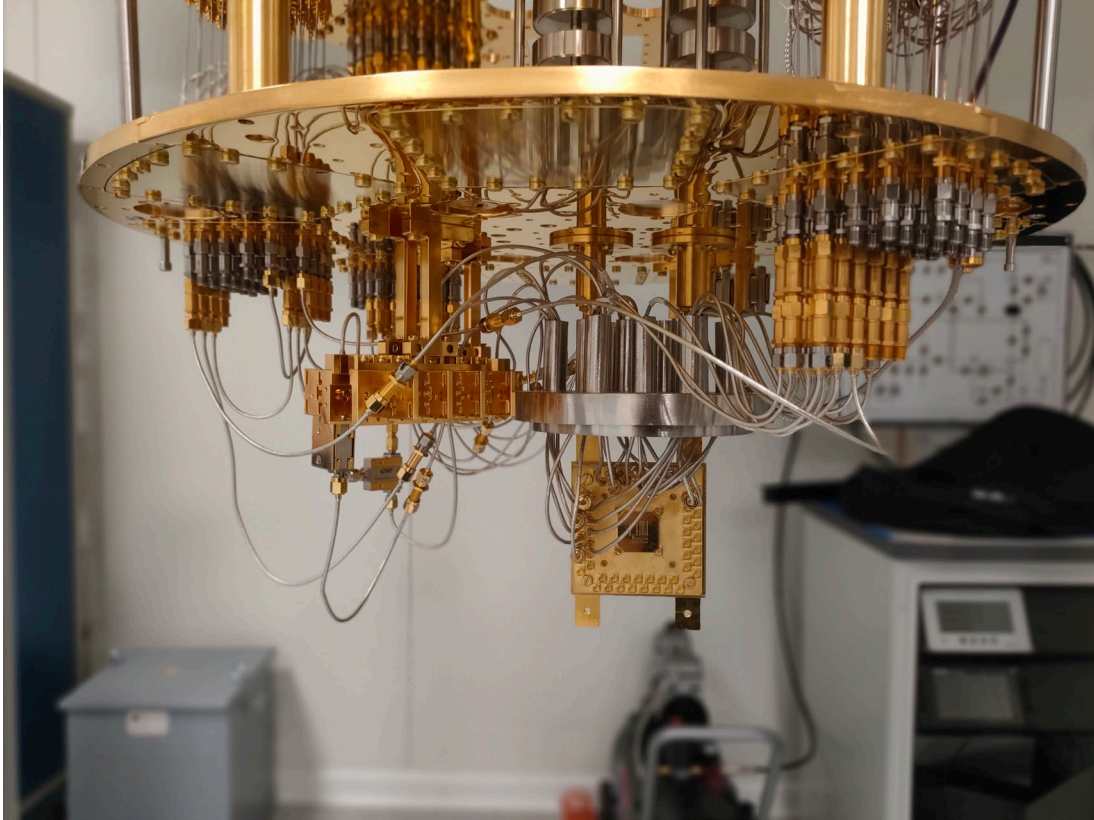
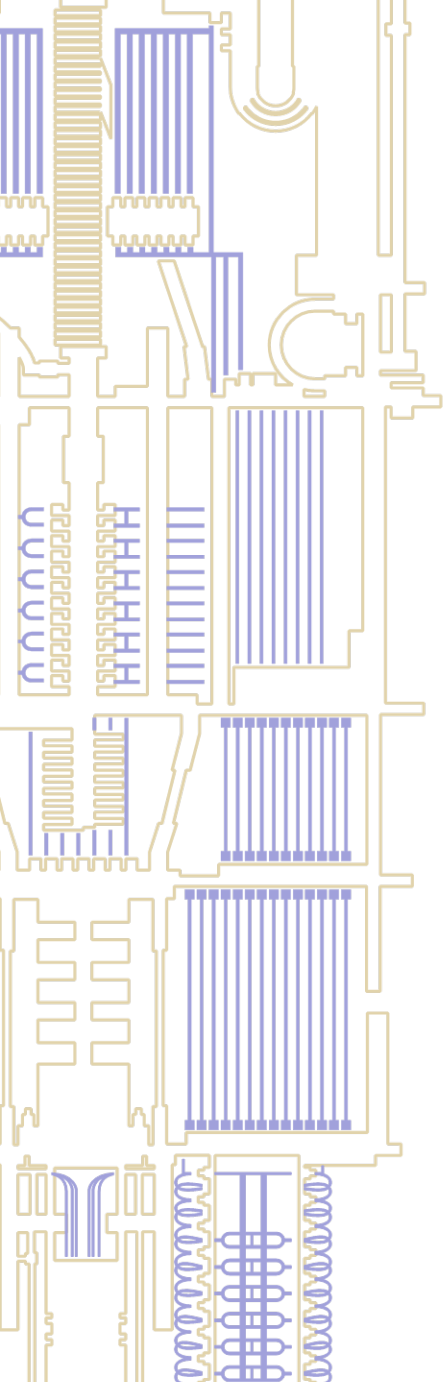
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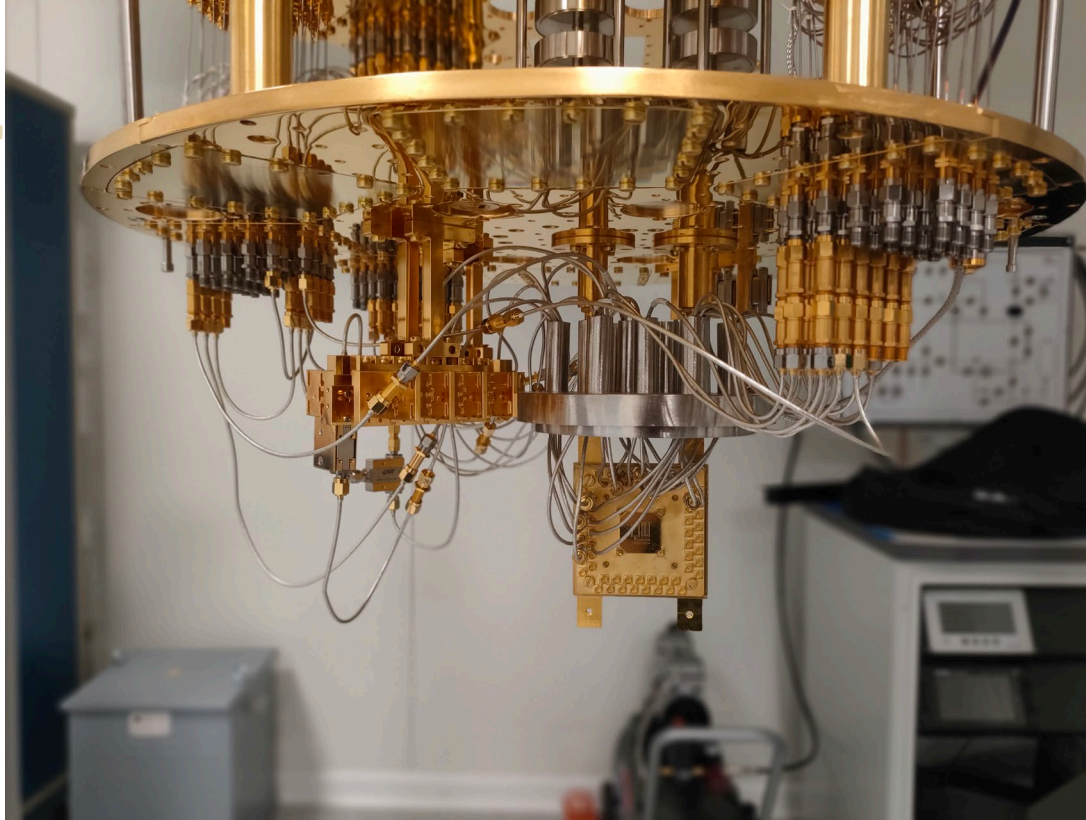
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