

## **Week 1: 6/10/2021 – Wednesday**

### **1. Outline of meeting and tasks**

Meeting with supervisor, Dr. Simon Doyle, on Zoom to discuss the details of the project and to give a brief introduction to the project along with people related to the research such as Dr Sam Rowe and Dr Tom Brien who are part of the research team for this project topic and will assist me.

A brief introduction to the project was provided. In this project, we will be working on understanding the principle of superconductivity and its microwave properties, understand how superconductivity principle can be applied to create a kinetic inductance detector (KID) and thus using the above knowledge to characterize a detector array. The real-world application of the detector would be in an SFAB airport security camera. The reading material provided is Dr. Simon Doyle's Thesis titled "Lumped Element Kinetic Inductance Detectors"

The inductance of a superconducting material forms the operating basis of the detector, hence the name Kinetic Inductance Detector. As such, the task for this week consists of going through the topics related to the theory of superconductivity and how the kinetic inductance of a material can come about due to it. The recommended literature for this is the thesis mentioned above from Chapter 3.1 to Chapter 3.4, page 13-25.

### **2. Notes and Materials Covered**

Not much was covered in terms of project material. General introductory session.

## Week 2: 13/10/2021 – Wednesday

### 1. Outline of meeting and tasks

Prior to the meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup>, I had the opportunity to visit the camera in North Building on the lower ground floor. Tom Brien explained the briefly basics of the detector and how the 2 stage-active cooling of camera allowed the temperature to remain in the ranges of mK.

The meeting with my supervisor was to discuss the aims and objectives of the project and to complete the “Aims and Objectives and safety overview” sheet for submission. The discussed aims and title are shown in the following section. The risk assessment and safety section of the sheet was also discussed.

After this, seeing as there was time, my supervisor proceeded with explaining the topic of superconductivity and how it relates to the detector. The topics covered and further reading material is given in the final section of this week’s diary.

My supervisor also provided the literature to read for a better understanding of the topic. The literature given was: “Lumped Element Kinetic Inductance Detectors” by Dr. Simon Doyle, and the recommended section to read was Chapter 3.1 to 3.4, page 13-25. Further outline of the materials elaborated in the final section of this diary.

### 2. Aims and Objectives Sheet

The title of the project is **Characterizing Arrays of Kinetic Inductance Detectors**. The Kinetic Inductance Detectors (KIDs) as mentioned will be used in an SFAB Security Imaging System. The discussed aims of the experiment are:

*To fully characterise the SFAB Security imaging system in terms of detector sensitivity and yield. This will involve.*

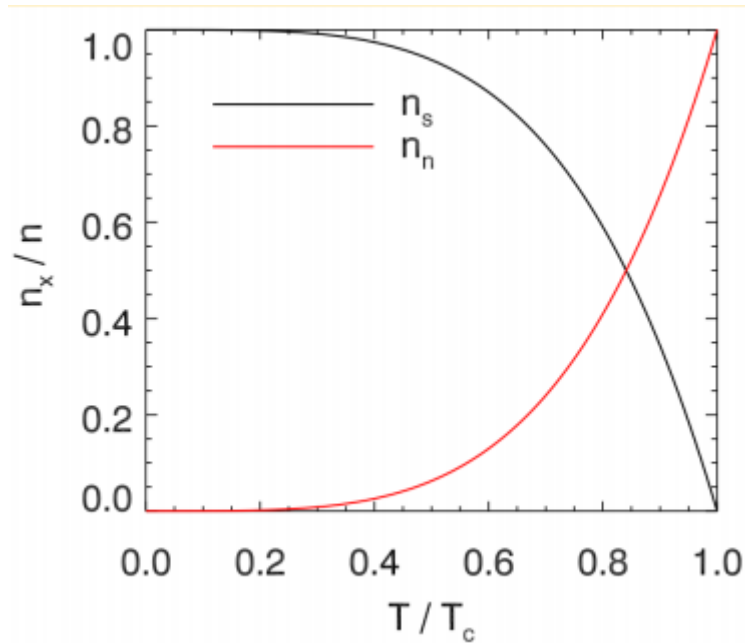
- 1) Learning and understanding the microwave properties of superconductors*
- 2) Learning and understanding how a Lumped Element Kinetic Inductance Detector works*
- 3) Be able to form a simple simulation of a LEKID detector*
- 4) Understand how to analyse data from a LEKID array and to make sensitivity measurements from this data*
- 5) Be able to compare the data of each detector in the array to the expected photon noise limit.*

### 3. Notes and Materials Covered

Based on the literature provided in the pages outlined above, from the theory of superconductivity the phenomenon of kinetic inductance arises from it and as such is an important concept as a prerequisite to the fundamentals of the detector. A simple notes and explanation of superconductivity and kinetic inductance is given below:

In some elemental metals such as Niobium, Aluminium and Tin, the DC resistance falls to zero below a certain temperature known as the critical temperature, and as such these materials are known as superconductors. In normal metals, electrons scattering off the ions in the lattice cause a loss in kinetic energy and this leads to non-zero resistance. However, in superconductors below the critical

temperature  $T_c$ , a fraction of the electron population start to “pair-up” into Cooper-pairs and these pairs are immune to scattering and as such have 0 resistance. The ratio,  $\frac{n_s}{n_n}$  of the population of superconducting Cooper pairs  $n_s$  to unpaired electrons  $n_n$  is inversely proportional to the temperature  $T$  below the critical temperature. As  $T$  decreases, the number of cooper pairs increases. A plot of this relationship is shown:



Source: Simon Doyle Understanding Superconductivity and KIDs Slides

When an electrical current is applied on a superconducting material, the current simply passes through the population of superconducting electrons and thus arises zero resistance. When the temperature increases, the kinetic energy of the electrons break Cooper pairs and the population of  $n_n$  increases.

Another important concept about superconductivity is the Meissner Effect. Essentially, a superconducting material will completely expel any magnetic flux density from within the bulk by creating surface currents to cancel any flux that penetrates it. The relationship of the field into the material is characterized by the 2 London equations:

$$\frac{dJ}{dt} = \frac{n_s e^2}{\omega m}$$

$$\lambda_L = \sqrt{\frac{m}{\mu_0 n_s e^2}}$$

$\lambda_L$  is the London Penetration depth. It is the value at which the field decays to  $1/e$  of its value at the surface within the distance  $\sqrt{m/\mu_0 n_s e^2}$ . The result of the London equations are essential in characterizing the inductance of the material.

The next portion touches on the two fluid model of the behaviour of the electrons in the material. As mentioned previously, below  $T_c$ , the populations of the electrons split into 2 different populations  $n_s$  and  $n_n$  which coexist within the lattice.  $n_n$  is affected by the usually scattering and exhibits loss.  $n_s$  on the other hand, does not undergo scattering and thus no loss. The Cooper pairs are bound together with an energy gap of  $2\Delta$  (1 from each electron). The model takes into account that the current in

the superconductor has 2 paths to travel through,  $n_s$  and  $n_n$ . The ratio of  $n_s/n$  ( $n$  being the total conducting electrons) is given by:

$$\frac{n_s}{n} = 1 - \left(\frac{T}{T_c}\right)^4$$

$$n_n = n - n_s$$

The above gives the temperature dependence of the population of the superconducting electrons, and will be essential in future calculations for the conductivity of the material. The conductivity of  $n_s$  can be denoted by  $\sigma_s$  and conductivity of  $n_n$  is denoted by  $\sigma_n$ . Taken directly from the notes: "At low frequencies, the  $\sigma_s$  is far greater than  $\sigma_n$ , thus displaying zero resistance. At higher frequencies however, especially in the microwave region,  $\sigma_n$  can play a considerable part in the conductivity. This is due to the kinetic inductance of the superconducting electrons. The inertia of these electrons produces a reactance giving us a large impedance at high frequencies. This effect is likened to an inductance as the energy drawn from the field  $E$  is stored in the kinetic energy of these non-scattering electrons." As the temperature or frequency increases, more of the current will be shunted through the non-superconducting resistive path. From this, derives the temperature dependence of the London Penetration Depth, LPD:

$$\lambda_L = \lambda_L(0) \left[1 - \left(\frac{T}{T_c}\right)^4\right]^{-0.5}$$

Where  $\lambda_L(0)$  is the LPD at 0 Kelvin.

By summing up the kinetic energies of all the superconducting electrons, we can use this to determine the kinetic inductance of the material given by the following expression:

$$L_k = \frac{\mu_0 \lambda^2}{Wt}$$

Where  $W$  is the width of the sheet and  $t$  is the thickness. It is also further simplified by calculating the  $L_k$  of a square of the material and thus the  $W$  term vanishes. We are also often working in the limits of  $t \ll \lambda$  and  $t \gg \lambda$ , thus we need to perform surface integrals for current over the entire cross-sectional area to take into account variations in current density.  $L_k$  and  $L_m$ , the magnetic inductance is given by:

$$L_k = \frac{\mu_0 \lambda^2}{4} \left[ \coth\left(\frac{t}{2\lambda}\right) + \left(\frac{t}{2\lambda}\right) \operatorname{cosech}^2\left(\frac{t}{2\lambda}\right) \right]$$

$$L_m = \frac{\mu_0 \lambda^2}{4} \left[ \coth\left(\frac{t}{2\lambda}\right) - \left(\frac{t}{2\lambda}\right) \operatorname{cosech}^2\left(\frac{t}{2\lambda}\right) \right]$$

The total internal inductance is thus given by:

$$L_{int} = L_m + L_k = \frac{\mu_0 \lambda}{2} \coth\left(\frac{t}{2\lambda}\right)$$

### Week 3: 20/10/2021 – Wednesday

#### 1. Outline of meeting

The meeting was carried out on Zoom. The meeting was a discussion about the topics discussed previously, and as they are dense topics, a recap of the theory of superconductivity and the associated inductances. The discussed recap and outline of the task is given in section 3 of this diary. The meeting also outlined a task to recreate Figure 3.3 from Dr. Simon Doyle's thesis titled "Lumped Element Kinetic Inductance Detectors" and to calculate the internal inductance of an aluminium sheet given specific parameters. The specification of the task is given in the next section.

#### 2. Specification of Tasks

- i) Using the equations and theory discussed, recreate the plot from the thesis, Figure 3.3
- ii) Calculate the internal inductance for an aluminium square with the following properties:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thickness} &= 50\text{nm} \\ n_{\text{electrons}} &= 18 \times 10^{28} \\ \text{Critical temperature, } T_c &= 1.4 \text{ K} \\ \text{Temperature, } T &= 0.3 \text{ K} \end{aligned}$$

#### 3. Outline of Theory and Methodology for Task

Using the equations 3.19 and 3.20 from last week to determine the kinetic and magnetic inductance takes the surface integral for current over the entire cross-sectional area to consider variations in current density:

$$\begin{aligned} L_k &= \frac{\mu_0 \lambda^2}{4W} \left[ \coth\left(\frac{t}{2\lambda}\right) + \left(\frac{t}{2\lambda}\right) \operatorname{cosech}^2\left(\frac{t}{2\lambda}\right) \right] \\ L_m &= \frac{\mu_0 \lambda^2}{4W} \left[ \coth\left(\frac{t}{2\lambda}\right) - \left(\frac{t}{2\lambda}\right) \operatorname{cosech}^2\left(\frac{t}{2\lambda}\right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

The kinetic and magnetic inductances per square can be determined using the equations. As discussed in the meeting, the inductances can be simplified by calculating the value per square of the material instead and the W term vanishes. To find the ratio of  $L_k$  and  $L_m$  to  $L_{int}$ , the value of  $L_{int}$  was found using the equation 3.21 from the thesis:

$$L_{int} = L_m + L_k = \frac{\mu_0 \lambda}{2} \coth\left(\frac{t}{2\lambda}\right)$$

The  $\lambda$  term was a fixed value of 50nm. The thickness was varied for a range of 0nm to 300nm. The ratios were found and the inductances were plotted against each other, the plot is shown in the section below.

The next part of the task was to calculate the internal inductance of a thin aluminium sheet using the parameters given. The first step is to calculate the London Penetration Depth at  $T=0\text{K}$ . The 2<sup>nd</sup> London Equation can be used to find the value:

$$\lambda_L = \sqrt{\frac{m}{\mu_0 n_s e^2}}$$

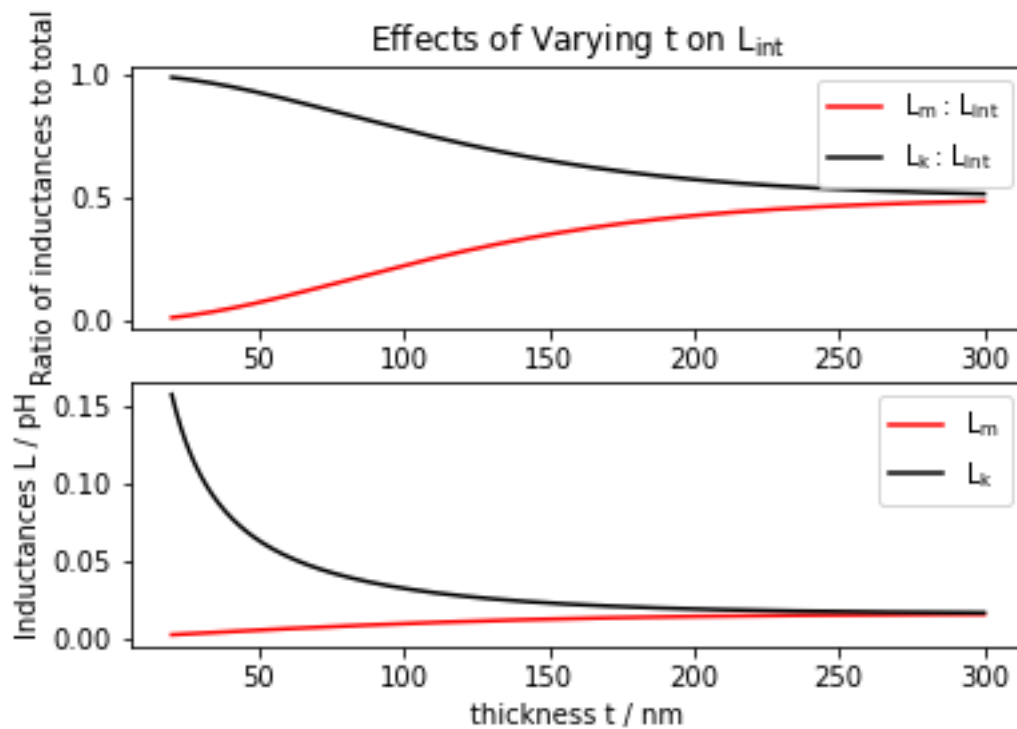
As the temperature decreases, the population of  $n_s$  increases and  $n_n$  decreases. The electrons will form Cooper-pairs as the temperature decreases. At 0K, ALL the electrons will have paired up and thus,  $n_{\text{electrons}} = n_s$ . Thus, we can calculate the LDP at 0K using this.

The temperature dependence of  $\lambda_L$  is given by equation 3.13 in the thesis:

$$\lambda_L(T) = \lambda_L(0) \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{T}{T_c} \right)^4 \right]$$

From this, we can calculate the internal inductance using the parameters provided. The result is given in section 5.

#### 4. Recreated Plots of Figure 3.3 of Thesis



#### 5. Calculated Value for The Internal Inductance

$$L_{\text{int}} = 0.47 \frac{\text{pH}}{\text{square}}$$

#### 6. Code for Calculating Inductances

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'''
#####
1. Effects of varying film thickness for  $L_m$  and  $L_k$  on a square film
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'''

#Imports
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

def coth(x):
    return np.cosh(x)/np.sinh(x)
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def cosec(x):
    return 1/np.sin(x)
def cosech(x):
    return 1/np.sinh(x)

#Defining lambda, miu_0 and lower and upper limit of t
lam = 50*10**-9
miu_0 = 1.25663706212*10**-6
lowerLimit, upperLimit = 20e-9, 300e-9

#Create array of varying thickness t
t = np.linspace(lowerLimit, upperLimit, num=1000)

#Define a fraction for neater code
fraction = t/(2*lam)

#Calculating lk
lk = (miu_0 * lam/4)*(coth(fraction) + fraction*(cosech(fraction))**2)
lm = (miu_0 * lam/4)*(coth(fraction) - fraction*(cosech(fraction))**2)
##### The total internal inductance is given by:  $L_{int} = \frac{\mu_0 \lambda^2}{2} \coth\left(\frac{t}{2\lambda}\right)$ 

#Calculating total inductance
l_int = (miu_0 * lam/2)*coth(t/(2*lam))

#Ratios
ratio_lm = lm/l_int
ratio_lk = lk/l_int

#Subplots
plt.subplot(2,1,1)
params = {'mathtext.default': 'regular' }
plt.rcParams.update(params)
plt.plot(t*10**9, ratio_lm, 'r-', label = '$L_m:L_{int}$')
plt.plot(t*10**9, ratio_lk, 'k-', label = '$L_k:L_{int}$')
plt.legend(loc='best')
plt.ylabel('Ratio of inductances to total')
plt.grid()
plt.title('Effects of varying t on  $L_{int}$ ')

#Subplot 2
plt.subplot(2,1,2)
plt.plot(t*10**9, lm*10**12, 'r-', label = '$L_m$')
plt.plot(t*10**9, lk*10**12, 'k-', label = '$L_k$')
plt.legend(loc='best')
plt.xlabel('thickness t / nm')
plt.ylabel('Inductances L / pH')
plt.grid()
plt.savefig("Effects of Varying t on L_int")
'''

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## 2. Internal Inductance For Aluminium Square

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#Define variables
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n = 1.8e28
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temp_c = 1.4
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temp = 0.3
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t_al = 50e-9
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e = 1.6e-19
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me = 9.11e-31
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# ### We can then determine the London Penetration Depth
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lam0 = (me/(miu_0*n*e**2))**0.5
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lamL = lam0*(1 - (temp/temp_c)**4)**-0.5
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#Calculate L_int
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l_int_al = (miu_0 * lamL/2)*coth(t_al/(2*lamL))
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print(l_int_al)
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## Week 4: 27/10/2021 – Wednesday

### 1. Outline of meeting

The meeting was held on Zoom. The first half of the meeting was dedicated to bug-fixing the code from the previous week and correct any misunderstandings from the topic. The second half of the meeting was dedicated to the Mattis Bardeen Theory. A discussion was had regarding the topic and a careful elaboration to the best of my understanding was given. An outline of the Mattis Bardeen Theory will be elaborated in section 3 of this diary. Essentially, Mattis Bardeen theory is derived from the fundamental principles of superconductivity and takes the band gap into consideration. From this, the task that arose from this is to create the plots of  $L_{int}$  vs  $T$  using Mattis Bardeen Approximations to find the  $L_{int}$  from the band gap energy. Then, the resistive part of the impedance can be found, and a plot of  $R$  vs  $T$  can be made. The outline of the theory and task specification is given below.

### 2. Specification of Tasks

- i) Plot out  $L_{int}$  over a temperature range of 0.05 – 4 K from Mattis Bardeen Approximations using equation 3.33 for a superconducting film with the following properties:
  - Normal state conductivity:  $\sigma_n = 6.0 \times 10^7$
  - Thickness:  $t = 20 \times 10^{-9} m$
  - Critical temperature:  $T_c = 1.5 K$
  - Frequency:  $f = 500 \times 10^6 Hz$
- ii) Use equation 3.38 to calculate  $R$  as a function of temperature

### 3. Outline of Theory and Methodology for Task

Mattis Bardeen Theory: *“The London Equations derived in previous weeks hold well but they are not derived from any fundamental principles of superconductivity and does not take into account the idea of a band gap. Another assumption of the London Model is that it assumes that the electrons in the superconducting state are just simply electrons which do not scatter and will all be accelerated independently if an electric field is applied.”*

Source: Lumped Element Kinetic Inductance Detector – Dr. Simon Doyle Thesis

Building from Mattis Bardeen Theory, the full effects of the band gap and non-local treatment of Cooper pairs leads to the Mattis Bardeen Integrals:

$$\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_n} = \frac{2}{\hbar\omega} \int_{\Delta}^{\infty} [f(E) - f(E + \hbar\omega)]g(E)dE + \frac{1}{\hbar\omega} \int_{\Delta-\hbar\omega}^{\Delta} [1 - f(E + \hbar\omega)]g(E)dE$$

$$\frac{\sigma_2}{\sigma_n} = \frac{1}{\hbar\omega} \int_{\Delta-\hbar\omega, -\Delta}^{\Delta} \frac{[1 - 2f(E + \hbar\omega)][E^2 + \Delta^2 + \hbar\omega E]}{[\Delta^2 - E^2]^{\frac{1}{2}}[(E + \hbar\omega)^2 - \Delta^2]^{\frac{1}{2}}} dE$$

To simplify, the integrals can be approximated when in the limits  $k_B T \ll \Delta(0)$  and  $\hbar\omega \ll \Delta(0)$  to the Mattis Bardeen Approximations:

$$\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_n} = \frac{2\Delta(T)}{\hbar\omega} \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta(0)}{k_B T}\right) K_0\left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{2k_B T}\right) [2\sinh\left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{2k_B T}\right)]$$

$$\frac{\sigma_2}{\sigma_n} = \frac{\pi\Delta(T)}{\hbar\omega} [1 - 2\exp\left(-\frac{\Delta(0)}{k_B T}\right) \exp\left(\frac{-\hbar\omega}{2k_B T}\right) I_0\left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{2k_B T}\right)]$$

Where  $\Delta$  is the band gap energy,  $I_0$  and  $K_0$  are modified Bessel functions of the first and second kind respectively.  $\Delta(T)$  in this case was approximated to  $\Delta(0)$  since  $T \cong 0$ .

Following this, the London Penetration depth can be found by first determining the electron density  $n_s$  using the following relation:

$$n_s = \sigma_s \omega m_e / e^2$$

Where  $\sigma_s = \sigma_2$  in this case. Using the result, the Penetration depth can be found:

$$\lambda_{MB} = \sqrt{\frac{m}{\mu_0 n_s e^2}}$$

Plugging  $\lambda$  into the expression for total internal inductance:

$$L_{int} = \frac{\mu_0 \lambda}{2} \coth\left(\frac{t}{2\lambda}\right)$$

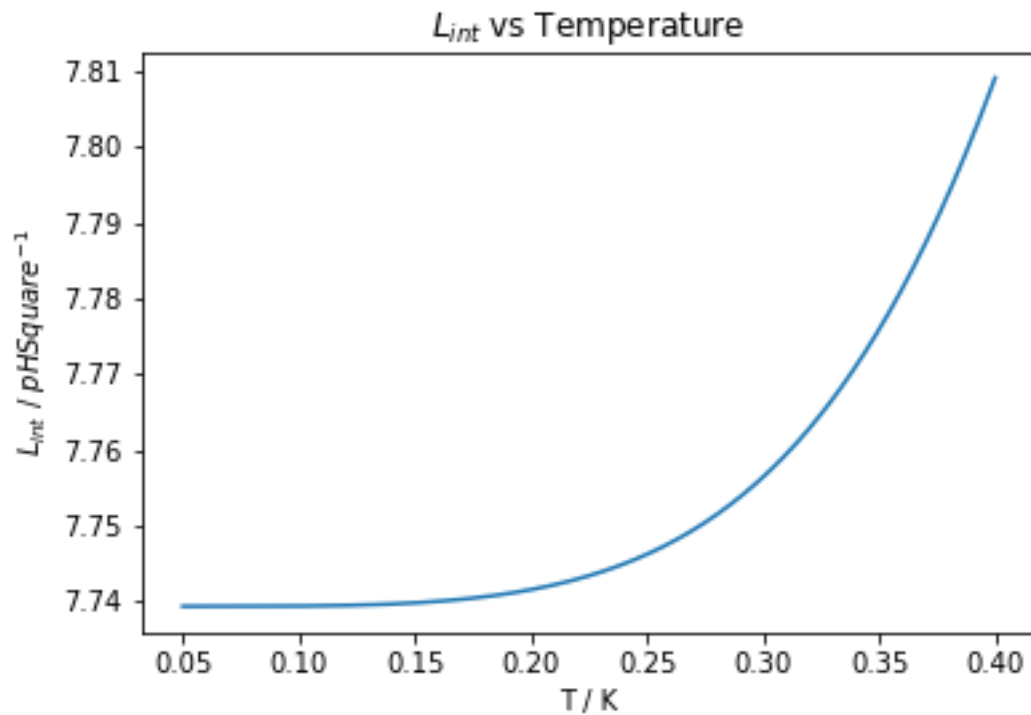
The graph of  $L_{int}$  vs  $T$  can be plotted.

Using the expression for the resistive part from equation 3.38 in the thesis:

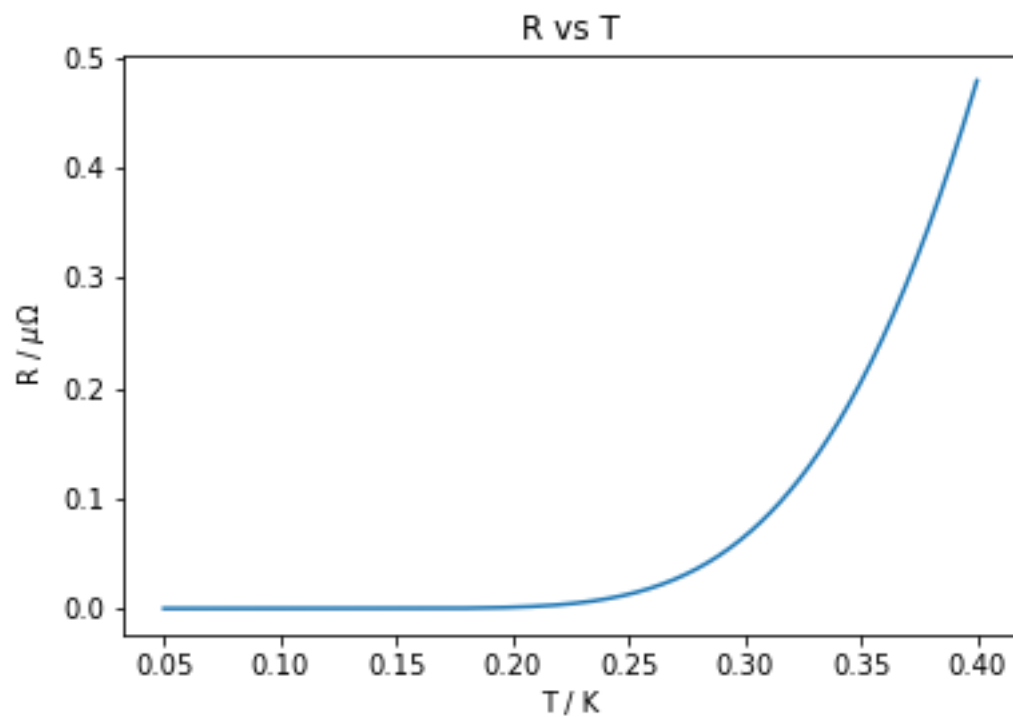
$$R = L_k \omega \frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2}$$

A plot of  $R$  vs  $T$  can also be made. The plots and code for the tasks are shown in the following sections.

#### 4. Plot of $L_{int}$ vs T Using Mattis Bardeen Approximations



#### 5. Plot of R vs T Using Mattis Bardeen Approximations



#### 6. Code for Calculating $L_{int}$ and R

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#imports
import numpy as np
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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from scipy.special import iv as I0
from scipy.special import kv as K0
import scipy.constants as const

#Define function
def coth(x):
    return np.cosh(x)/np.sinh(x)

def csch(x):
    return 1/np.sinh(x)

#Define constants
TC = 1.5
Delta_0 = (3.5*const.Boltzmann*TC)/2
sigma_n = 6.0e7      # Normal state conductivity if superconducting film
Thick = 20e-9        # Thickness of superconducting film
f = 500e6
w = 2 * np.pi * f
me = const.m_e
miu_0 = 4*np.pi*10**-7

#Varying range of temperature
T = np.linspace(0.05, 0.4, num=500)

#An interpolation formula for delta_T (Cheating a bit by using an interpolation formula, ideally
should be integrated)
#Source: https://physics.stackexchange.com/questions/192416/interpolation-formula-for-bcs-superconducting-gap#mjb-eqn-eq2
delta_T = Delta_0*np.tanh(1.74*np.sqrt((TC/T)-1))

#Define constants to simplify eqn
multiplying_constant = delta_T/(const.hbar * w)
e_const_1 = - Delta_0/(const.Boltzmann*T)
e_const_2 = (const.hbar*w)/(2*const.Boltzmann*T)

#Parts of the sigma1 Ratio
A = 2*multiplying_constant
B = np.exp(e_const_1)
C = K0(0, e_const_2)
D = 2*(np.sinh(e_const_2))

#Find Sigma 1 and Sigma 2
sigma1Ratio = A * B * C * D
sigma2Ratio = np.pi*multiplying_constant*(1 - (2*np.exp(e_const_1)*np.exp(-
e_const_2)*I0(0,e_const_2)))
sigma2 = sigma2Ratio * sigma_n
sigma1 = sigma1Ratio * sigma_n

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# Sanity Check
# plt.subplot(2,1,1)
# plt.plot(T, sigma1Ratio)
# plt.ylabel("$\sigma_{1}/\sigma_n$")
# plt.yscale("log")
# plt.subplot(2,1,2)
# plt.plot(T, sigma2Ratio)
# plt.ylabel("$\sigma_{2}/\sigma_n$")
# plt.show()
# plt.figure()

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#Depth
lower_fraction = miu_0*sigma2*w
Lambda_T_MB = (1/lower_fraction)**0.5

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#Internal Inductance
fraction = Thick/(2*Lambda_T_MB)
L_int = (miu_0*Lambda_T_MB/2)*coth(fraction)
plt.plot(T, L_int*10e12)
plt.ylabel("$L_{int}$ / $\mu$H$^{-1}$")
plt.xlabel("T / K")
plt.title("$L_{int}$ vs Temperature")
plt.savefig("L_int vs T Mattis Bardeen")
plt.figure()

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#sigma 1 to sigma 2
sigma12Ratio = sigma1/sigma2

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#Terms for Ik
A = (miu_0*Lambda_T_MB)/4
B = coth(fraction)
C = fraction*(csch(fraction))**2

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#R vs T
Ik = A*(B+C)
R = Ik * w * sigma12Ratio
plt.title("R vs T")
plt.plot(T, R*10**6)
plt.ylabel("R / $\mu\Omega$")
plt.xlabel("T / K")
plt.savefig("R vs T Mattis Bardeen")

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## Week 5: 03/11/2021 – Wednesday

### 1. Outline of Meeting

The meeting was carried out on Zoom. The first part of the meeting was dedicated to answering questions and clearing up any misconceptions from the previous week's topic, the Mattis Bardeen Theory. Following this, the basic concepts of KID microwave readout. In particular, the scattering parameters and the effects it has on microwave circuits. From this, the task for this week was specified which was to create a S21 plots for its amplitude and phase for a range of frequencies. More details on the theory and concepts is given in section 3 of this diary.

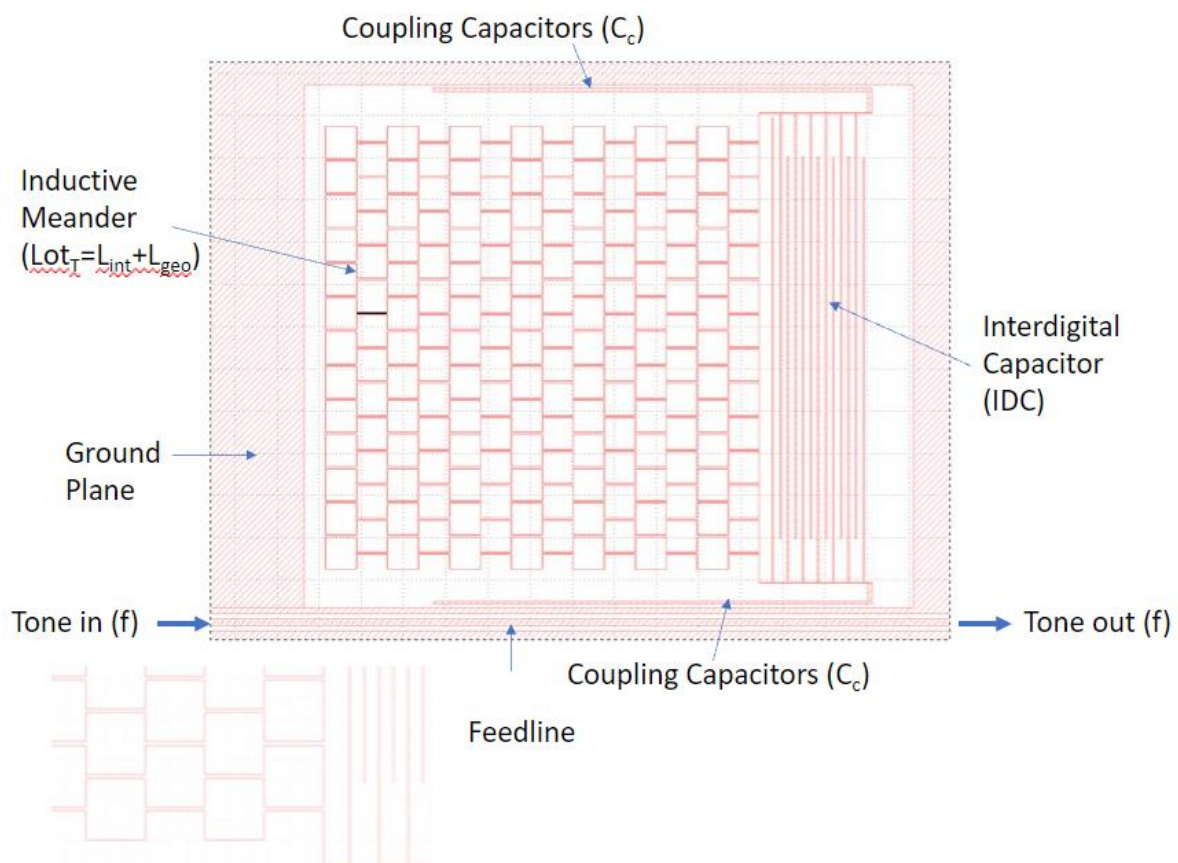
### 2. Specification of Tasks

- i) Read through the Understanding\_Kinetic\_Inductance\_Detector\_Microwave\_readout.pdf document on the one drive. Try and create the S21 plots for amplitude and phase. Use the following parameters:

- $F_0 = 1 \text{ GHz}$
- $Q_r = 9000$
- $Q_c = 10000$

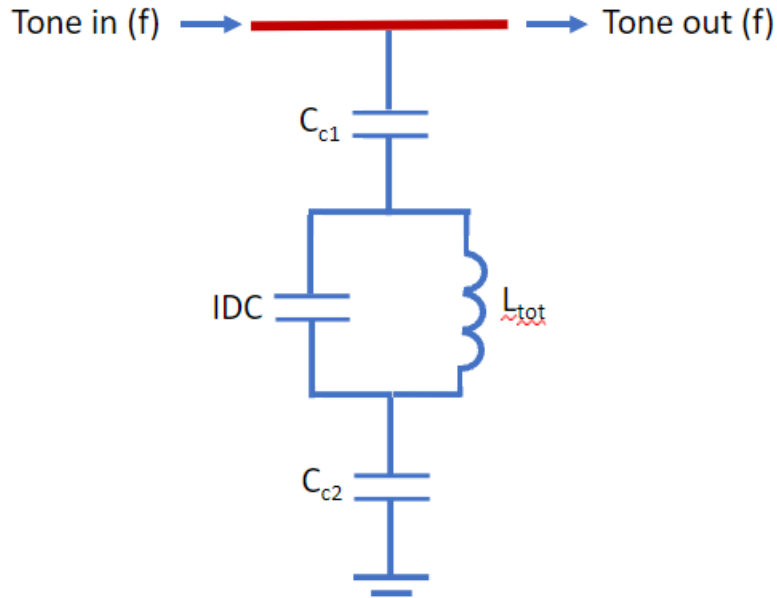
### 3. Outline of Theory and Task Methodology

A schematic of a single pixel on a KID is shown below:



Source: A schematic of a single pixel on a KID provided by Simon Doyle's Slides

The circuit sits on a silicon wafer (white part) and that wafer sits on an aluminium sheet (dashed lines) which is the ground plane. The inductive meander can be characterized as a single inductor with inductance  $L_{tot}$ . An equivalent circuit is given below:



Source: An equivalent circuit to the schematic of a single pixel on a KID provided by Simon Doyle's Slides

The basic mechanism of the circuit is as follows:

Incident photons will provide energy for Cooper pairs to overcome the band gap energy  $\Delta$ . As such, the Cooper pairs break and as a result the density of  $n_1$  increases while the superconducting  $n_s$  density decreases. This increases  $\sigma_1$  and as a result, the value of  $L_{int}$  will vary. The dimensions of the inductor does not change, as such will remain constant throughout. Thus, the total inductance  $L$  will change accordingly to a change in  $L_{int}$ .

For the capacitors, there are 2 coupling capacitors  $C_c$  that couple to the transmission feedline and ground. The total capacitance  $C_c$  from  $C_{c1}$  and  $C_{c2}$  is simply the series sum:

$$C_c = \frac{C_{c1}C_{c2}}{C_{c1} + C_{c2}}$$

The other capacitor is the Intedigital capacitor IDC which is coupled to the Inductive Meander  $L_{tot}$ . We can find the total capacitance of the whole circuit as a simple parallel sum of the capacitances:

$$C_{tot} = IDC + C_c$$

The circuit can be modelled as a basic LC circuit with a resonant frequency given by:

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L_{tot}C_{tot}}}$$

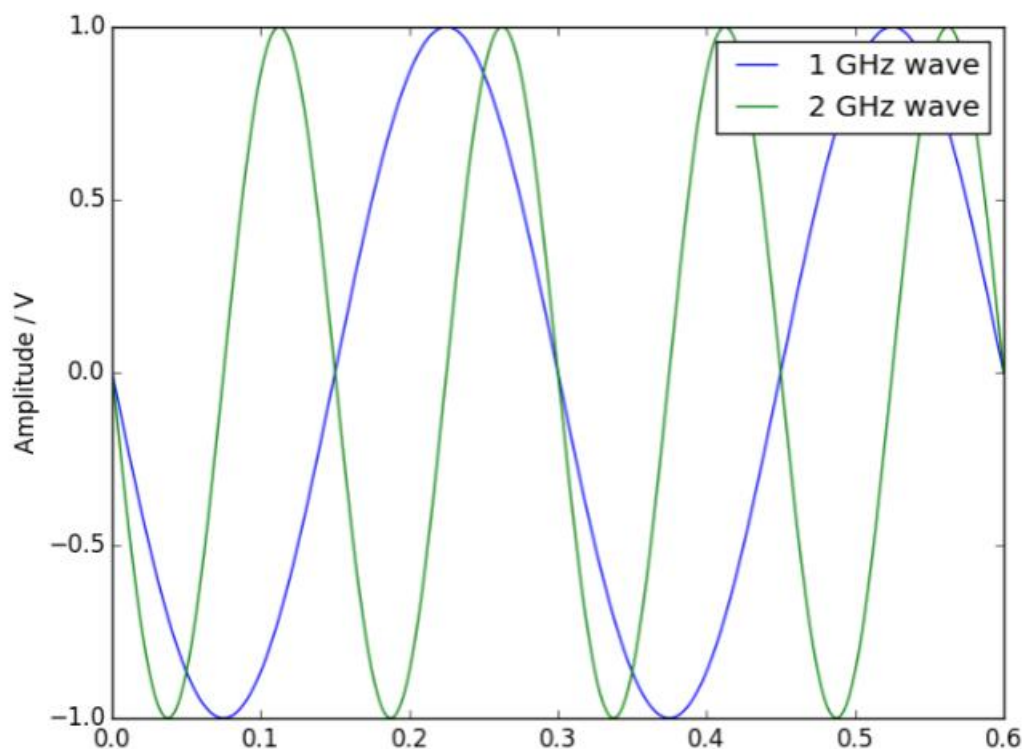
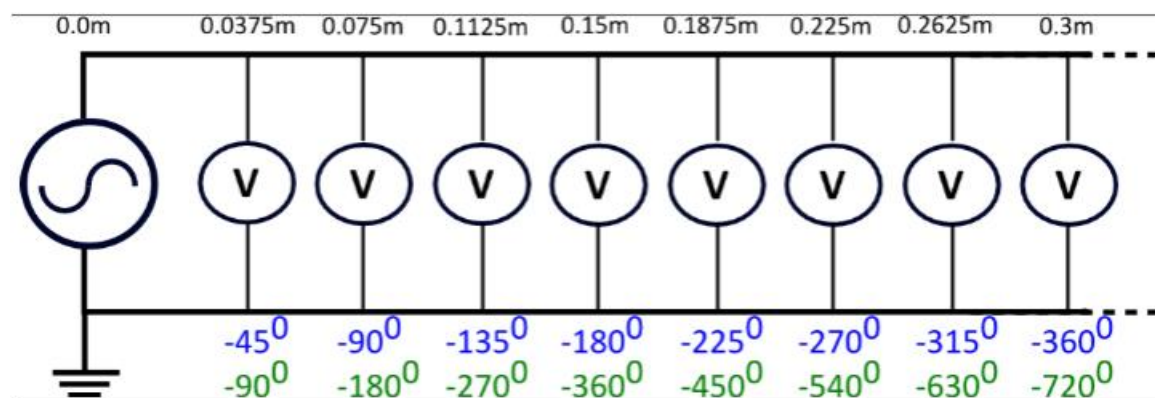
Since  $L_{tot}$  varies with respect to photon intensity incident on the inductive meander,  $\omega_0$  varies as well, since the capacitors are coupled to the transmission feedline, therefore the incidence of the photons can be detected, thus a detector. More details on the relationship between incident photon energy and how the detector responds to it will be explored in future meetings and diaries. We have thus crudely characterized a single pixel of a KID.

Another phenomenon faced by the KID:

KIDs work in the microwave frequency range “Unlike low frequency electronics, working at microwave frequencies typically requires one to treat a signal as a wave rather than simply voltages and currents that one may be used to. This is because at higher frequencies, electronic components become similar in size as the wavelength of the signals being measured.”

Source: *Understanding\_Kinetic\_Inductance\_Detector\_Microwave\_readout* – Simon Doyle

Since the wavelengths of the signals being measured is comparable to the length of the wire, it would be useful to be able to characterize the phase at a certain point of the wire. Due to the long wavelength, the phase plays a significant role as some points of the circuit will be out of phase. This is illustrated on the diagram below:



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Due to this, it is useful to define a microwave circuit in terms of their scattering parameters. These define the voltage waves entering and leaving a microwave circuit via two ports. We denote the scattering parameter as  $S_{21}$  and the  $S_{21}$  for a KID is given as follows:



$$S_{21} = 1 - \frac{Q_r}{Q_c} \frac{1}{1 + 2jQ_r x}$$

Where  $Q_c$  and  $Q_r$  are known as the coupling Q and resonator Q respectively. These are set by the physical properties of the resonator.  $j$  is the complex number  $-1^{0.5}$ .  $x$  is given by:

$$x = \frac{F - F_0}{F_0}$$

Where  $F_0$  is the resonant frequency of the KID and  $F$  is the wave propagated along the feedline. Using  $S_{21}$ , the Amplitude and Phase of  $S_{21}$  against frequency can be plotted, where:

$$|S_{21}| = \sqrt{S_{21}_{Real}^2 + S_{21}_{Imaginary}^2}$$

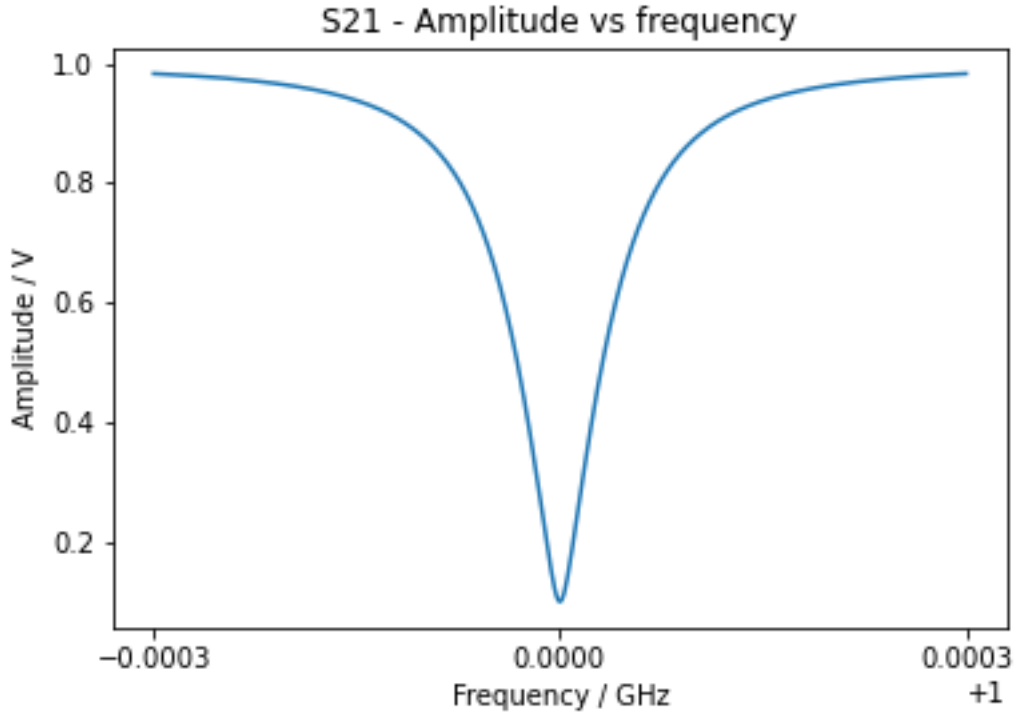
$$Phase_{S_{21}} = \text{Arctan}\left(\frac{S_{21}_{Imaginary}}{S_{21}_{Real}}\right)$$

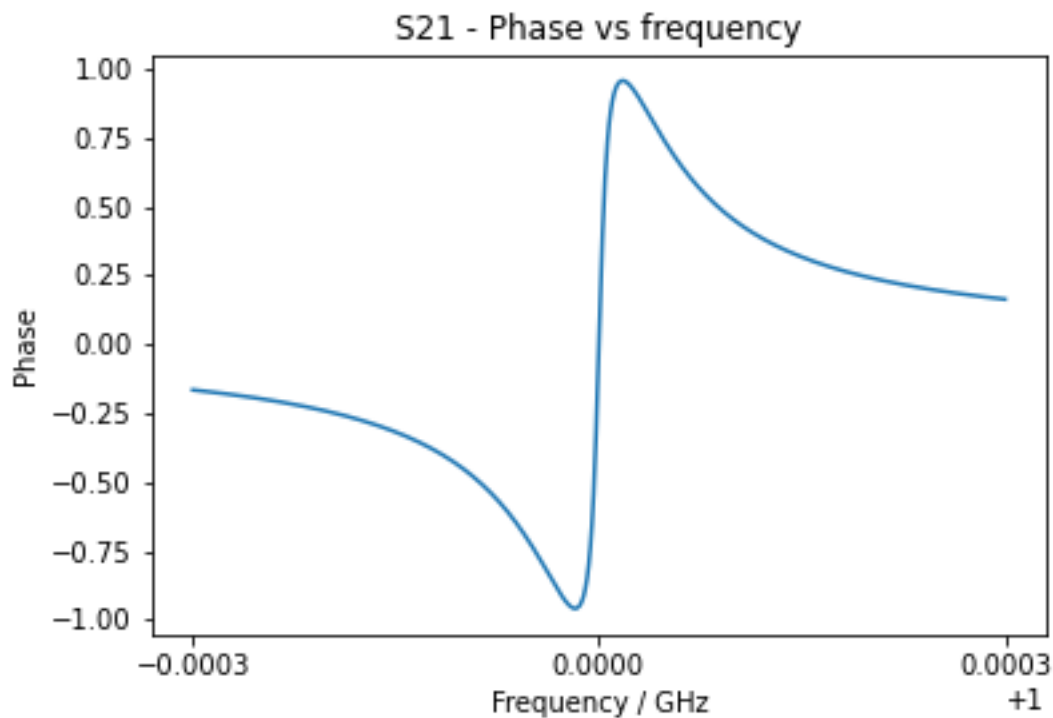
Where the imaginary and real components of  $S_{21}$  can be found in Python using the following code:

```
S21_Real = S21.real
S21_Imaginary = S21.imag
```

As part of the task, the plots of amplitude and phase for  $S_{21}$  against frequency in the bandwidth of 0.0006 GHz with  $F_0$  at 1 GHz are given in the following section.

#### 4. Plots of $S_{21}$ for Amplitude and Phase vs Frequency





### 5. Code For Calculating the Components of S21

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import cmath as cmath

#Function for calculating S21
def S21(Qr, Qc, f):
    x = (f-f0)/f0
    result = 1 - (Qr/Qc)*(1/(1+2j*Qr*x))
    return result

#Define values
Qr=9000
Qc=10000
f0 = 1e9

#range of frequencies
lower_f = f0-3e5
upper_f = f0+3e5
f = np.linspace(lower_f, upper_f, 1000)

#Compute S21
S21_value = S21(Qr, Qc, f)
S21_real = S21_value.real
S21_imag = S21_value.imag

#Amplitude
```

```
plt.figure()
S21_amplitude = (S21_real**2 + S21_imag**2)**0.5
plt.plot(f*10**-9, S21_amplitude)
plt.title("S21 - Amplitude vs frequency")
plt.xlabel("Frequency / GHz")
plt.ylabel("Amplitude / V")
plt.xticks([0.9997, 1.000, 1.0003])
plt.savefig("Amplitude S21 Plot")
```

```
#Phase
plt.figure()
S21_phase = np.arctan(S21_imag/S21_real)
plt.plot(f*10**-9, S21_phase)
plt.title("S21 - Phase vs frequency")
plt.xlabel("Frequency / GHz")
plt.ylabel("Phase")
plt.xticks([0.9997, 1.000, 1.0003])
plt.savefig("Phase S21 Plot")
```

## Week 6: 10/11/2021 – Wednesday

### 1. Outline of Meeting

The meeting was held on Zoom. Following from last week's topic, the meeting was focused on characterizing a KID. Building from last week's theory, this week extends for characterizing the measurement of a KID. By using the scattering parameters equations for the KID, by determining the ABCD values which are related to the transmission line, the S21 value can be found for the detector. This week's task was focused on using a Python function given by my supervisor and given parameters to model a KID for a certain temperature range. The result of which is a plot of cascading frequencies each curve corresponding to a detector.

### 2. Specification of Task

- i) Find Lint using Mattis Bardeen Approximations for Aluminium (use values given last time) at a temperature of 0.2K. Multiply this by "Squares" to get total Lint.
- ii) Find the IDC value for the lowest temperature and make this fixed. Found from FO and (Lint+Lgeo) and C\_couple.

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(L_{int} + L_{Geo})(C_{IDC} + C_{Couple})}}$$

- iii) Run simulations code below to obtain S21 and plot this as a function of frequency
- iv) Define a temperature step (say 0.02K) and calculate a new Lint using Mattis Bardeen Approximations at this slightly higher temperature.
- v) Simulate again changing only the value of Lint (IDC, L\_geo and C\_couple remain fixed)
- vi) Repeat for all temperatures up to 0.35K

### 3. Outline of Theory and Task Methodology

Last week discussed about the scattering parameters of the KID. This week, we used the Mattis Bardeen Approximations to determine the population change of the electrons and apply this to  $L_{int}$  for the change in internal inductance for a range of temperatures. Following this, the KID can be modelled for a temperature change, corresponding to a detection.

Detailed steps:

- i) First, we used the Mattis-Bardeen Approximation for a range of temperatures (from 0.2 to 0.35K with step of 0.02K) and constants defined. Equations:

$$\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_n} = \frac{2\Delta(T)}{\hbar\omega} \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta(0)}{k_B T}\right) K_0\left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{2k_B T}\right) [2\sinh\left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{2k_B T}\right)]$$
$$\frac{\sigma_2}{\sigma_n} = \frac{\pi\Delta(T)}{\hbar\omega} \left[1 - 2\exp\left(-\frac{\Delta(0)}{k_B T}\right) \exp\left(\frac{-\hbar\omega}{2k_B T}\right) I_0\left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{2k_B T}\right)\right]$$

- ii) From this, we can calculate the change in  $\sigma_2$  and  $\sigma_1$  for a change in temperature.
- iii) Following this, we can substitute the values of  $\sigma_2$  into the LPD expression:

$$\sigma_s = -j \frac{n_s e^2}{\omega m}$$

We take the magnitude of this, so the imaginary number can be ignored. Using this, found values for Cooper-pair population  $n_s$ .

iv) Then, the value of  $n_s$  is substituted into the LPD expression to obtain the LPD:

$$\lambda_L = \sqrt{\frac{m}{\mu_0 n_s e^2}}$$

v) Using the LPD, substitute into the expression for  $L_{int}$ :

$$L_{int} = \frac{\mu_0 \lambda}{2} \coth\left(\frac{t}{2\lambda}\right)$$

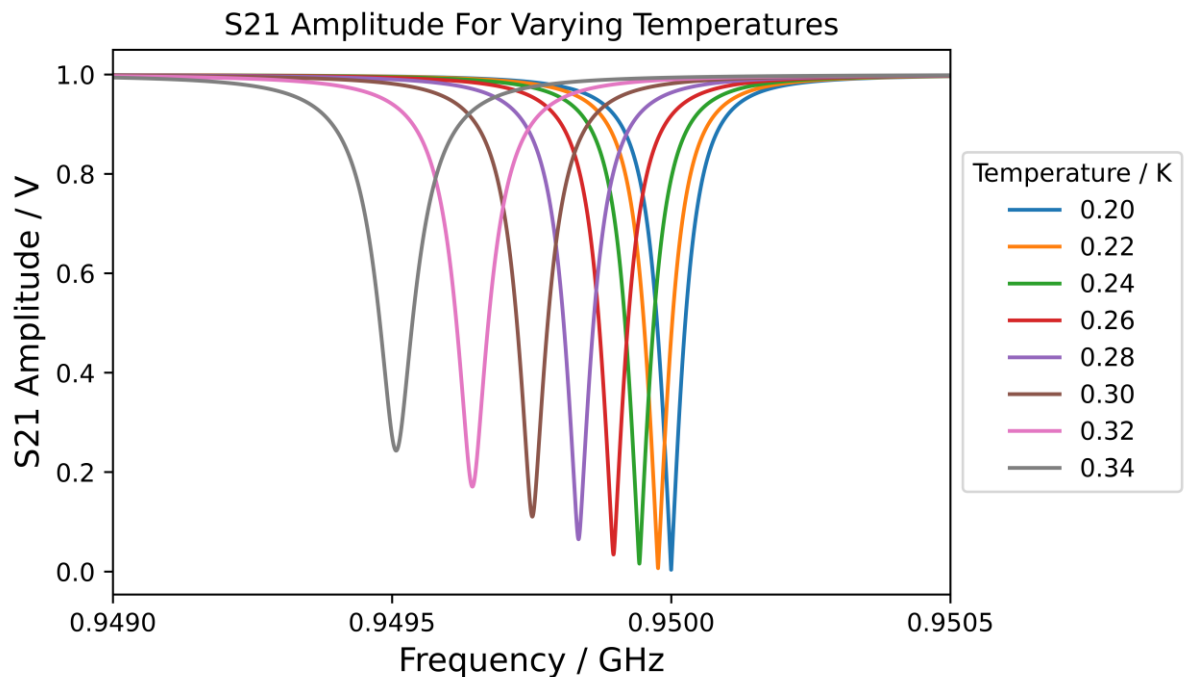
vi) Next, we can find the resistive part R using the following expression:

$$R = L_k \omega \frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2}$$

This R accounts for the loss faced by the current when propagating across the quasi-particle as this path is resistive compared to the superconducting  $n_s$ .

vii) Finally, plug the R and  $L_{int}$  values into the Python function given to obtain S21 and plot the amplitude of S21 against frequency. This figure is generated in the following section.

#### 4. Plot of S21 vs Temperature



This figure illustrates the S21 Amplitude variation with temperature. This is effectively a model of the detector, and this allows us to study and understand the effects of the parameters on its output.

#### 5. Python Function Given:

```
def Capacitive_Res_Sim(F0, C_couple, Z0, L_geo, L_int, Res, Sweep_BW, Sweep_points,
Capacitance):
    j=complex(0,1)
    Cc=C_couple
    F_min=F0-(Sweep_BW/2.0)
```

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F_max=F0+(Sweep_BW/2.0)
Sweep=np.linspace(F_min, F_max, Sweep_points)
W=Sweep*2.0*pi
W0=2.0*pi*F0
L=L_geo+L_int
C=Capacitance
Zres= 1.0/((1./((j*W*L)+Res))+(j*W*C)) # Impedance of resonator section
Zc=1.0/(j*W*Cc) #impedance of coupler
ZT=Zres+Zc
YT=1.0/ZT
S21 = 2.0/(2.0+(YT*Z0))
I_raw=S21.real
Q_raw=S21.imag
shift=((1.0-min(I_raw))/2.0)+min(I_raw)
I_cent=I_raw-shift
Q_cent=Q_raw
Phase=Atan(abs(Q_cent/I_cent))
QU=(W0*L)/Res
QL=(C*2)/(W0*(Cc**2)*Z0)
S21_Volt=abs(S21)
I_offset=shift
return (Sweep, S21_Volt, Phase, I_raw, Q_raw, I_cent, Q_cent, QU, QL, I_offset)

```

## 6. Python Code for Task

```

#imports
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import scipy.constants as const
from scipy.special import iv as I0
from scipy.special import kv as K0

#Define Global Variables
L_geo = 55.6e-9
Z0 = 50.0
F0_base = 0.95e9 #At lowest Temp
squares= 27223
c_couple = 1.5e-14
TC = 1.5
Delta_0 = (3.5*const.Boltzmann*TC)/2
sigma_n = 6.0e7 # Normal state conductivity of superconducting film
Thick = 20e-9 # Thickness of superconducting film
w = 2 * np.pi * F0_base
me = const.m_e
miu_0 = 4*np.pi*10**-7
pi = np.pi

#Main code
def main():
    #Define temperature range with step 0.01K
    step = 0.02
    temp = np.arange(0.20, 0.35, step)

```

```

#Find sigma1 and sigma 2 and Lint
sigma1, sigma2 = find_sigma1_sigma2(sigma_n, Thick, TC, Delta_0, w, temp)
Lint = find_Lint_square(Thick, w, sigma2) * squares

#Find lk
Lk = find_lk(Thick, w, sigma2)

#Find Res
sigma12Ratio = sigma1/sigma2
Res = Lk*w*sigma12Ratio *squares

#IDC for Lowest Temp (0.2K)
Ltot_lowest = Lint[0] + L_geo
IDC = find_IDC(w, Ltot_lowest, c_couple)

#Find S21
Sweep_points = 20000
BW = 5e6
I_raw = np.zeros((Sweep_points, len(temp)), dtype="float")
Q_raw = np.copy(I_raw)
Phase = np.copy(Q_raw)
S21_Volt = np.copy(I_raw)
for i in range(0, len(Lint)):
    Sweep, S21_Volt[:,i], Phase[:,i], I_raw[:,i], Q_raw[:,i], _ , _ , _ , _ = Capacitive_Res_Sim(F0_base,
c_couple, Z0, L_geo, Lint[i], Res[i], BW, Sweep_points, IDC)
    plt.plot(Sweep/1e9, S21_Volt[:,i], label=str("{:.2f}".format(temp[i])))

#Graph labels and title
plt.legend(loc='center left', bbox_to_anchor=(1, 0.5), fancybox=True, title="Temperature / K")
plt.xlabel('Frequency / GHz', fontsize=13)

plt.ylabel('S21 Amplitude / V', fontsize=13);
plt.title("S21 Amplitude For Varying Temperatures")
plt.xlim(0.9490, 0.9505)
plt.locator_params(nbins=6)
plt.savefig("S21 Plot with Resistance")
plt.rcParams['figure.dpi'] = 300
#KID Simulating Function
def Capacitive_Res_Sim(F0, C_couple, Z0, L_geo, L_int, Res, Sweep_BW, Sweep_points,
Capacitance):
    """ Help file here"""
    j=complex(0,1)
    Cc=C_couple
    F_min=F0-(Sweep_BW/2.0)
    F_max=F0+(Sweep_BW/2.0)
    Sweep=np.linspace(F_min, F_max, Sweep_points)
    W=Sweep*2.0*pi
    W0=2.0*pi*F0
    L=L_geo+L_int
    C=Capacitance

```

```

Zres= 1.0/((1./((j*W*L)+Res))+(j*W*C)) # Impedance of resonator section
Zc=1.0/(j*W*Cc) #impedance of coupler
ZT=Zres+Zc
YT=1.0/ZT
S21 = 2.0/(2.0+(YT*Z0))
I_raw=S21.real
Q_raw=S21.imag
shift=((1.0-min(I_raw))/2.0)+min(I_raw)
I_cent=I_raw-shift
Q_cent=Q_raw
Phase=Atan(abs(Q_cent/I_cent))
QU=(W0*L)/Res
QL=(C*2)/(W0*(Cc**2)*Z0)
S21_Volt=abs(S21)
I_offset=shift
return (Sweep, S21_Volt, Phase, I_raw, Q_raw, I_cent, Q_cent, QU, QL, I_offset)

```

```

#Function to find sigma1 and sigma2
def find_sigma1_sigma2(sigma_n,Thick, TC, Delta_0, w, T):
    #An interpolation formula for delta_T
    delta_T = Delta_0*np.tanh(1.74*np.sqrt((TC/T)-1))

    #Define constants to simplify eqn
    multiplying_constant = delta_T/(const.hbar * w)
    e_const_1 = - Delta_0/(const.Boltzmann*T)
    e_const_2 = (const.hbar*w)/(2*const.Boltzmann*T)

    #Parts of the sigma1 Ratio
    A = 2*multiplying_constant
    B = np.exp(e_const_1)
    C = K0(0, e_const_2)
    D = 2*(np.sinh(e_const_2))

    #Find Sigma 1 and Sigma 2
    sigma1Ratio = A * B * C * D
    sigma2Ratio = np.pi*multiplying_constant*(1 - (2*np.exp(e_const_1)*np.exp(-
e_const_2)*I0(0,e_const_2)))
    sigma2 = sigma2Ratio * sigma_n
    sigma1 = sigma1Ratio * sigma_n
    return sigma1, sigma2

def find_lk(Thick, w, sigma2):
    #Depth
    lower_fraction = miu_0*sigma2*w
    Lambda_T_MB = (1/lower_fraction)**0.5
    fraction = Thick/(2*Lambda_T_MB)

    #Terms for lk
    A = (miu_0*Lambda_T_MB)/4
    B = coth(fraction)
    C = fraction*(csch(fraction))**2

```



```

#R vs T
lk = A*(B+C)
return lk

def find_Lint_square(Thick, w, sigma2):
    #Depth
    lower_fraction = miu_0*sigma2*w
    Lambda_T_MB = (1/lower_fraction)**0.5

    #Internal Inductance
    fraction = Thick/(2*Lambda_T_MB)
    L_int = (miu_0*Lambda_T_MB/2)*coth(fraction)
    return L_int

#Define coth and csch
def coth(x):
    return np.cosh(x)/np.sinh(x)

def csch(x):
    return 1/np.sinh(x)

def Atan(x):
    return np.arctan(x)

#Find IDC function
def find_IDC(w0, Ltot, Cc):
    IDC = 1/((w0**2)*Ltot) - Cc
    return IDC

def Magic_Formula(di, dq, didf, dqdf):
    return (di*didf + dq*dqdf)/(didf**2 + dqdf**2)

main()

```

## **Week 7: 17/11/2021 – Wednesday**

### **1. Outline of Meeting**

The meeting was carried out on Zoom. The meeting was dedicated to explaining how we move forward with the model accomplished from the previous week. The project now moves onto reading out the measurement from the detector. This was accomplished by using the  $dF_0$  formula. Further details will be explained in the Outline of theory and methodology section. It essentially allows us to relate the detector output of  $S_{21}$  and the signal to measure.

### **2. Specification of Tasks**

- i) Add resistance to the ABCD KID model you have already made
- ii) Take your model, and make  $Q$  vs  $I$  plots for the resonator at each temperature ( $I$ = real part of  $S_{21}$ ,  $Q$ = imaginary part of  $S_{21}$ )
- iii) For your lowest temperature KID, note  $F_0$  and the  $I$  and  $Q$  values at  $F_0$ . Lets call this  $F_0$   $F_{0\_base}$
- iv) add the  $I$  and  $Q$  values of each KID at the frequency  $F_{0\_base}$  to your  $Q$  vs  $I$  sweep plots as a symbol.
- v) Make another plot of  $F_0$  vs temperature. Calculate  $F_0$  of each resonance as from the frequency corresponding to the minimum in  $S_{21}$  magnitude.
- vi) Using the "Magic formula" equation equation 6 from the understanding KID readout document, plot the  $F_0$  calculated from this formula. Do this by looking at  $I$  and  $Q$  at  $F_0$  base and calculating  $dF_0$  from the formula. The  $dI/dF$  and  $dQ/dF$  data should be calculated from the lowest temperature sweep. This will tell use the range over which this formula is valid
- vii) calculate  $dI/dF$  and  $dQ/dF$  at  $F_0$  for the lowest temperature sweep these will be single values
- viii) on subsequent  $S_{21}$  data (taken at higher temperatures, plug in the vales for  $dI$  this is the change in  $I$  In the new temperature from the  $I$  at  $F_{0\_base}$ . Do the same for  $Q$  and this should give you a change in  $F_0$

### **3. Outline of Theory and Methodology**

A KID typically measures the signal and outputs a  $I$  and  $Q$  value in units of Volts. This may not be entirely intuitive, as a voltage from an electronic circuit does not give much information in terms of its response to the detection.

The solution to this is therefore known as the  $dF_0$  formula. This formula allows us to convert  $I$  and  $Q$  values from the Sweep data (Data across the frequency domain) into a change in tone frequency  $F_0$ . The formula is given as follows:

$$\partial F_0 = \frac{\partial I(t) \frac{\partial I}{\partial F} + \partial Q(t) \frac{\partial Q}{\partial F}}{\left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial F}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial F}\right)^2}$$

where  $\partial I(t)$  and  $\partial Q(t)$  are the changes in I and Q values from the time stream data against the I and Q from the Sweep data, for a given time. In the case of the model, it is the change in I and Q for a given temperature compared to the base temperature at the tone frequency.  $\left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial F}\right)$  and  $\left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial F}\right)$  are the numerical derivatives of the minimum of the sweep data (For the model, the base temperature). This allows us to calculate a value for the change in the tone frequency.

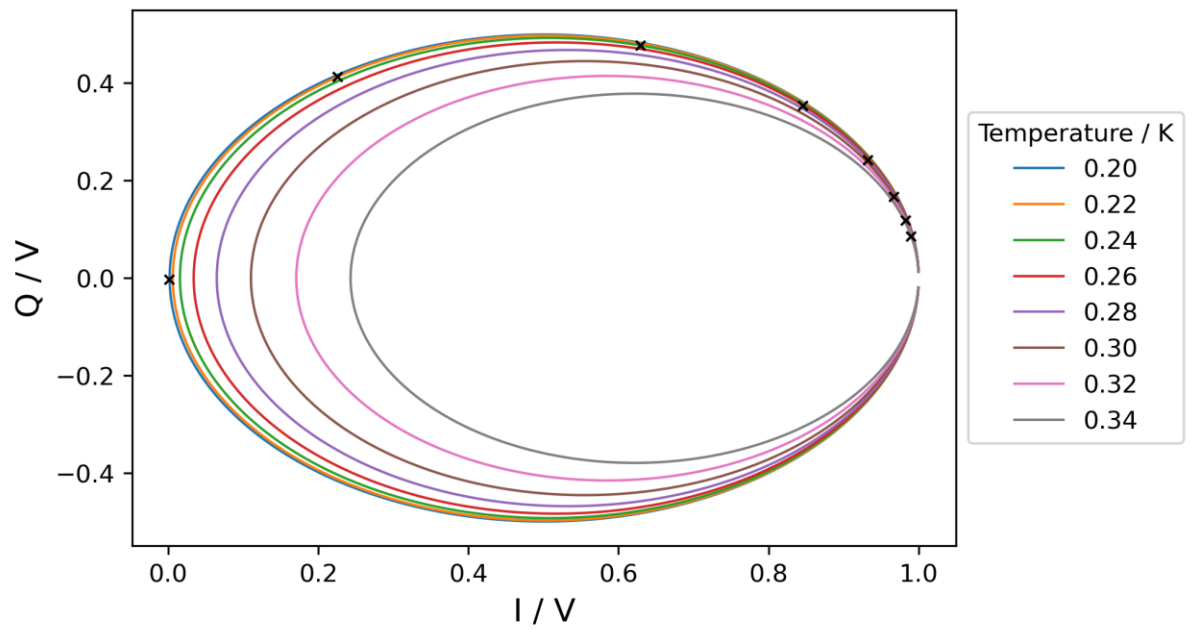
Moving on to the task, we first plot the I and Q values as given in section 4, the cross represents the I and Q value at the tone frequency, we can clearly observe that the I and Q values have changed.

Following this, we can find  $\left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial F}\right)$  and  $\left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial F}\right)$  by finding the numerical derivative of the minimum of S21 at the base temperature. Then, we can find the change in I and Q values  $\partial I(t)$  and  $\partial Q(t)$  for temperatures above the base temperature by subtracting the I and Q values for the respective temperature from the I and Q of the base temperature, at the tone-frequency. (e.g. if we set tone at 0.95 GHz, find the I and Q values at 0.95GHz for both the base and new temperature and subtract each other).

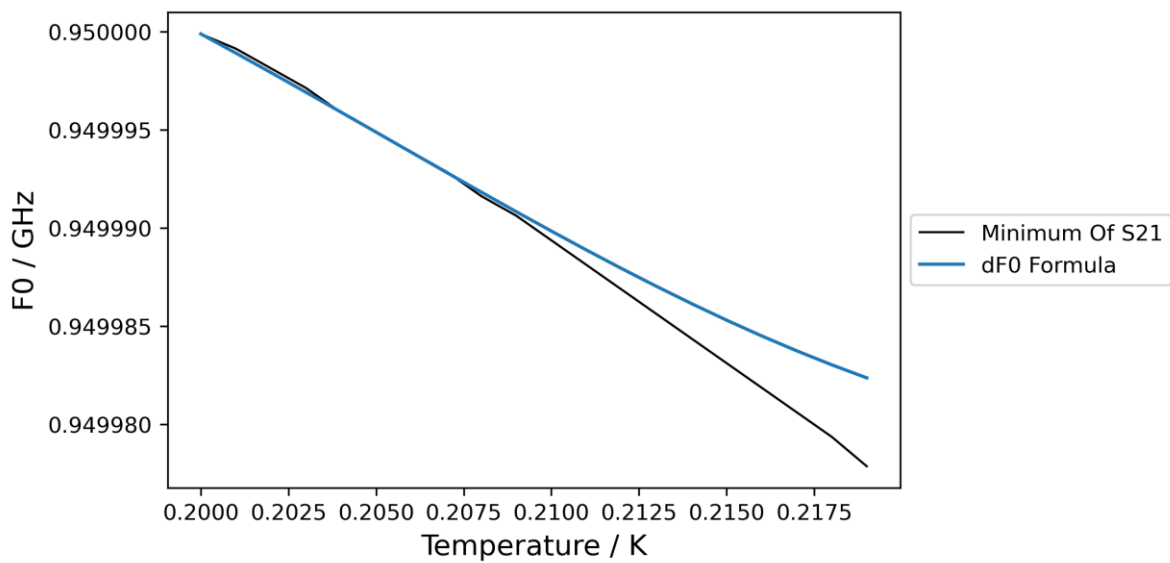
Then, we can use these values and plug them into the  $dF_0$  formula to obtain a  $dF_0$ . We can subtract  $dF_0$  for each temperature from  $F_0$  and plot  $F_0$  against temperature. We can also find  $F_0$  for the minimums of S21 for varying temperatures and plot this along with  $dF_0$  formula. This is shown in section 5. The graph shows that the  $\partial F_0$  formula holds remarkably well up till 0.21K. As such, the  $\partial F_0$  formula is appropriate for low temperature variations, therefore the maximum change in  $F_0$  for the approach to still be valid is  $\pm 10000Hz$ .

Important to note, the  $dF_0$  formula is quite important for characterising the response of the detector. This is because the  $dF_0$  allows the conversion of I and Q values from the output of the KID into a change in  $F_0$ . We can then characterize the response as a change in  $F_0$  against a change in frequency,  $dF_0/dP$ . This will be explored when we come to responsivity measurements in semester 2.

#### 4. Plot of I vs Q



#### 5. Plot of F0 against Temperature for dF0 formula and Minimum of S21



#### 6. Python Code for Task

```
#imports
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import scipy.constants as const
from scipy.special import iv as I0
from scipy.special import kv as K0
```

```
#Define Global Variables
```

```

L_geo = 55.6e-9
Z0 = 50.0
F0_base = 0.95e9      #At lowest Temp
squares= 27223
c_couple = 1.5e-14
TC = 1.5
Delta_0 = (3.5*const.Boltzmann*TC)/2
sigma_n = 6.0e7      # Normal state conductivity of superconducting film
Thick = 20e-9        # Thickness of superconducting film
w = 2 * np.pi * F0_base
me = const.m_e
miu_0 = 4*np.pi*10**-7
pi = np.pi

#Main code
def main():
    #Define temperature range with step 0.01K
    step = 0.02
    temp = np.arange(0.20, 0.35, step)

    #Find sigma1 and sigma 2 and Lint
    sigma1, sigma2 = find_sigma1_sigma2(sigma_n, Thick, TC, Delta_0, w, temp)
    Lint = find_Lint_square(Thick, w, sigma2) * squares

    #Find Lk
    Lk = find_Lk(Thick, w, sigma2)

    #Find Res
    sigma12Ratio = sigma1/sigma2
    Res = Lk*w*sigma12Ratio *squares

    #IDC for Lowest Temp (0.2K)
    Ltot_lowest = Lint[0] + L_geo
    IDC = find_IDC(w, Ltot_lowest, c_couple)

    #Find S21
    Sweep_points = 20000
    BW = 5e6
    I_raw = np.zeros((Sweep_points, len(temp)), dtype="float")
    Q_raw = np.copy(I_raw)
    Phase = np.copy(Q_raw)
    S21_Volt = np.copy(I_raw)
    for i in range(0, len(Lint)):
        Sweep, S21_Volt[:,i], Phase[:,i], I_raw[:,i], Q_raw[:,i], _ = Capacitive_Res_Sim(F0_base,
c_couple, Z0, L_geo, Lint[i], Res[i], BW, Sweep_points, IDC)
        plt.plot(Sweep/1e9, S21_Volt[:,i], label=str("{:.2f}".format(temp[i])))

    #Graph labels and title
    plt.legend(loc='center left', bbox_to_anchor=(1, 0.5), fancybox=True, title="Temperature / K")
    plt.xlabel('Frequency / GHz', fontsize=13)

```

```

plt.ylabel('S21 Amplitude / V', fontsize=13);
plt.title("S21 Amplitude For Varying Temperatures")
plt.xlim(0.9490, 0.9505)
plt.locator_params(nbins=6)
plt.savefig("S21 Plot with Resistance")
plt.rcParams['figure.dpi'] = 300
plt.figure()

#Q vs I plots
for i in range(0, len(Lint)):
    plt.plot(I_raw[:,i], Q_raw[:,i], linewidth=1, label=str("{:.2f}".format(temp[i])))

#Minimum S21 at lowest temp
S21_Base = min(S21_Volt[:,0])
I_Base = np.zeros(len(temp), dtype="float")
Q_Base = np.copy(I_Base)

#Obtain F0_base and I and Q values for Lowest Temp
for i in range(0, len(S21_Volt[:,0])):
    if S21_Base == S21_Volt[i,0]:
        F0_Base = Sweep[i]

#Plot I and Q values at F0_Base
for i in range(0, len(temp)):
    for j in range(0, len(Sweep)):
        if F0_Base == Sweep[j]:
            I_Base[i] = I_raw[j,i]
            Q_Base[i] = Q_raw[j,i]
            plt.plot(I_Base[i], Q_Base[i], markersize=4, marker="x", color='black')

#labels
plt.legend(loc='center left', bbox_to_anchor=(1, 0.5), fancybox=True, title="Temperature / K")
plt.xlabel('I / V', fontsize=13)
plt.ylabel('Q / V', fontsize=13);
plt.title("Q vs I Plot for Varying Temperature")
plt.savefig("Q vs I plot for varying temp")
plt.figure()

#Finding F0 for the different Temperatures
F0 = np.zeros(len(temp))
for i in range(0, len(temp)):
    S21_min = min(S21_Volt[:,i])
    for j in range(0, len(Sweep)):
        if S21_min == S21_Volt[j,i]:
            F0[i] = Sweep[j]

#Plotting F0 vs Temp
plt.plot(temp, F0/1e9, color='k', linewidth="1", label="Minimum Of S21")
plt.xlabel('Temperature / K', fontsize=13)
plt.ylabel('F0 / GHz', fontsize=13);
plt.rcParams['figure.dpi'] = 300

```

```

plt.title("F0 vs Temperature")

#Finding dI/dF and dQ/dF for lowest temperature
#Using numerical derivatives
step = abs((Sweep[0]-Sweep[-1])/Sweep_points)
for i in range(0, len(Sweep)):
    if Sweep[i] == F0_Base:
        didf = (I_raw[i+1,0] - I_raw[i-1,0])/(2*step)
        dqdf = (Q_raw[i+1,0] - Q_raw[i-1,0])/(2*step)

#Use Magic Formula
di = np.zeros(len(temp))
dq = np.copy(di)
di = abs(I_Base - I_Base[0])
dq = abs(Q_Base - Q_Base[0])
dF0 = Magic_Formula(di, dq, didf, dqdf)

#Find F0 for different temp
F0_Magic = F0_Base - abs(dF0)
plt.plot(temp, F0_Magic/1e9, label="dF0 Formula")
plt.legend(loc='center left', bbox_to_anchor=(1, 0.5), fancybox=True)
plt.ticklabel_format(useOffset=False)
plt.rcParams['figure.dpi'] = 1000
plt.xlim(0.20, 0.22)
plt.ylim(0.949980, 0.95)
plt.savefig("Magic Formula plot")

#KID Simulating Function
def Capacitive_Res_Sim(F0, C_couple, Z0, L_geo, L_int, Res, Sweep_BW, Sweep_points,
Capacitance):
    """ Help file here """
    j=complex(0,1)
    Cc=C_couple
    F_min=F0-(Sweep_BW/2.0)
    F_max=F0+(Sweep_BW/2.0)
    Sweep=np.linspace(F_min, F_max, Sweep_points)
    W=Sweep*2.0*pi
    W0=2.0*pi*F0
    L=L_geo+L_int
    C=Capacitance
    Zres= 1.0/((1./((j*W*L)+Res))+(j*W*C)) # Impedance of resonator section
    Zc=1.0/(j*W*Cc) #impedance of coupler
    ZT=Zres+Zc
    YT=1.0/ZT
    S21 = 2.0/(2.0+(YT*Z0))
    I_raw=S21.real
    Q_raw=S21.imag
    shift=((1.0-min(I_raw))/2.0)+min(I_raw)
    I_cent=I_raw-shift
    Q_cent=Q_raw
    Phase=Atan(abs(Q_cent/I_cent))

```

```

QU=(W0*L)/Res
QL=(C*2)/(W0*(Cc**2)*Z0)
S21_Volt=abs(S21)
I_offset=shift
return (Sweep, S21_Volt, Phase, I_raw, Q_raw, I_cent, Q_cent, QU, QL, I_offset)

```

#Function to find sigma1 and sigma2

```
def find_sigma1_sigma2(sigma_n,Thick, TC, Delta_0, w, T):
```

```
    #An interpolation formula for delta_T
```

```
    delta_T = Delta_0*np.tanh(1.74*np.sqrt((TC/T)-1))
```

```
    #Define constants to simplify eqn
```

```
    multiplying_constant = delta_T/(const.hbar * w)
```

```
    e_const_1 = - Delta_0/(const.Boltzmann*T)
```

```
    e_const_2 = (const.hbar*w)/(2*const.Boltzmann*T)
```

```
    #Parts of the sigma1 Ratio
```

```
    A = 2*multiplying_constant
```

```
    B = np.exp(e_const_1)
```

```
    C = K0(0, e_const_2)
```

```
    D = 2*(np.sinh(e_const_2))
```

```
    #Find Sigma 1 and Sigma 2
```

```
    sigma1Ratio = A * B * C * D
```

```
    sigma2Ratio = np.pi*multiplying_constant*(1 - (2*np.exp(e_const_1)*np.exp(-
e_const_2)*I0(0,e_const_2)))
```

```
    sigma2 = sigma2Ratio * sigma_n
```

```
    sigma1 = sigma1Ratio * sigma_n
```

```
    return sigma1, sigma2
```

```
def find_lk(Thick, w, sigma2):
```

```
    #Depth
```

```
    lower_fraction = miu_0*sigma2*w
```

```
    Lambda_T_MB = (1/lower_fraction)**0.5
```

```
    fraction = Thick/(2*Lambda_T_MB)
```

```
    #Terms for lk
```

```
    A = (miu_0*Lambda_T_MB)/4
```

```
    B = coth(fraction)
```

```
    C = fraction*(csch(fraction))**2
```

```
    #R vs T
```

```
    lk = A*(B+C)
```

```
    return lk
```

```
def find_Lint_square(Thick, w, sigma2):
```

```
    #Depth
```

```
    lower_fraction = miu_0*sigma2*w
```

```
    Lambda_T_MB = (1/lower_fraction)**0.5
```

```
    #Internal Inductance
```



```

fraction = Thick/(2*Lambda_T_MB)
L_int = (miu_0*Lambda_T_MB/2)*coth(fraction)
return L_int

#Define coth and csch
def coth(x):
    return np.cosh(x)/np.sinh(x)

def csch(x):
    return 1/np.sinh(x)

def Atan(x):
    return np.arctan(x)

#Find IDC function
def find_IDC(w0, Ltot, Cc):
    IDC = 1/((w0**2)*Ltot) - Cc
    return IDC

def Magic_Formula(di, dq, didf, dqdf):
    return (di*didf + dq*dqdf)/(didf**2 + dqdf**2)

main()

```

## **Week 8: 24/11/2021 – Wednesday**

### **1. Outline of Meeting**

Prior to the meeting, I had met Sam Rowe in the Sequestim Lab in North Building to visit the camera and have a brief introduction to how data measurements are made using the camera. Following this, the meeting with my supervisor in the next day consisted of explaining how the measurements can be extracted from the FSAB file and outlined how the data will be used for noise analysis in the upcoming sections of the project.

### **2. Specification of Tasks**

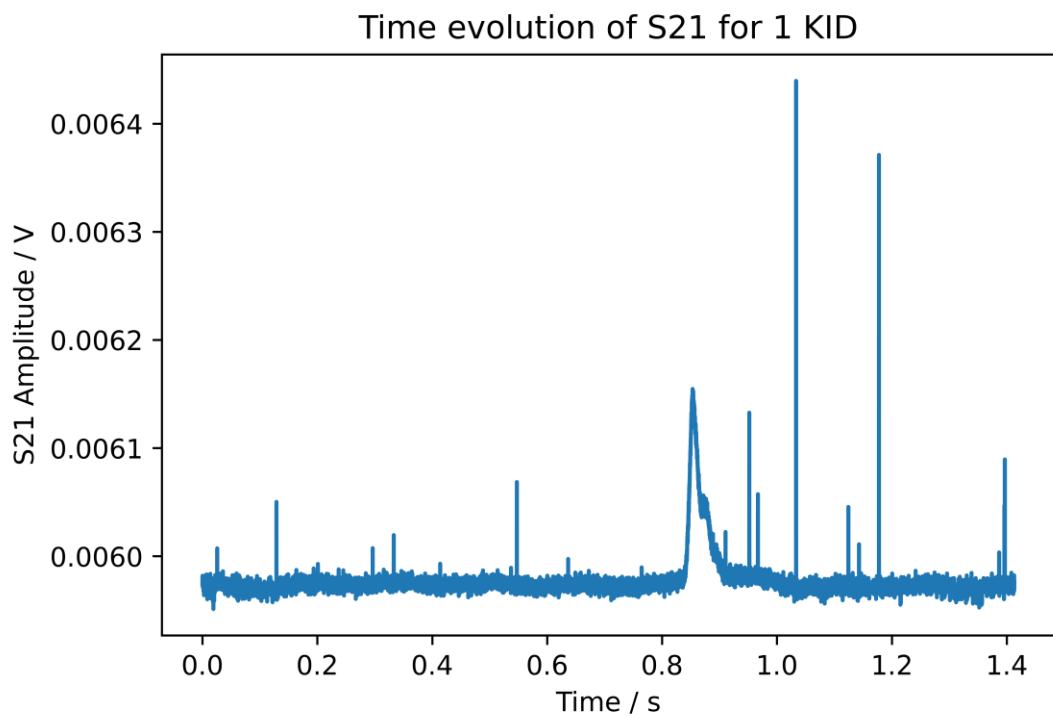
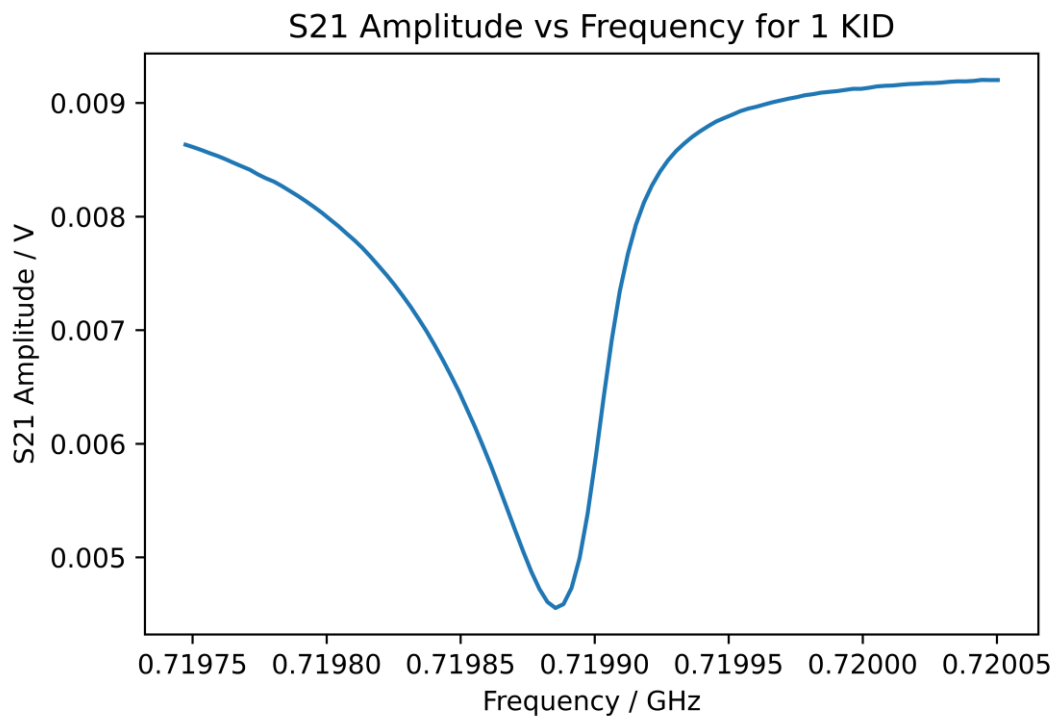
- i) Using the FSAB data file, readout out the sweep and timestream data.
- ii) Plot the sweep and timestreams data

### **3. Outline and Methodology**

The data reading can be quite complicated as the detector outputs the measurements as a timestream and a frequency sweep for the whole array of ~1000 KIDs. The Python Code for extracting the FSAB file was given by Sam Rowe and using this function, we can extract the S21 data from the timestream and sweep data separately. Following this, we can plot the data as S21 vs frequency for the sweep and S21 vs time for the time stream. This is given in section 4. The peaks are when an object is placed in front of the detector as a control.

It is important that this can be accomplished in a robust and automated way and overall we will look at around 300 detectors and therefore cannot do this by hand. Ultimately we will use the sweeps to determine  $dI/dF$  and  $dQ/dF$  and apply these to the magic formula to get  $F_0$  as a function of time. We will later observe two temperatures to determine the responsivity of each device and hence from the noise the NEP.

#### 4. Plots of Sweep and Timestream Data



#### 5. Python Code for extracting data from FSAB file

```
import os
import numpy as np
```

```
class fsab_dirfile():
    """
```

```
    For analysing FSAB data if libgetdata is not available.
```

```
"""
```

```
def __init__(self, path, reference='I0000'):
    if not os.path.exists(path):
        raise FileNotFoundError(path)
    self.path = path

    #parse sweep data:
    self.sweep={}
    with open(os.path.join(path,'sweep'),'r') as file:
        lines=file.readlines()
    #ignore comments
    lines=[i for i in lines if not i.startswith('#')]
    #ignore metadata
    lines=[i for i in lines if not i.startswith('/')]
    #ignore empty
    lines=[i for i in lines if len(i)>1]
    for line in lines:
        line = line.strip().split(' ')
        fieldname,fieldtype,datatype=line[:3]
        data = np.array(line[3:],dtype=np.float)
        _fiq,num = fieldname.split('_')
        kidnum=int(num)
        if not kidnum in self.sweep.keys():
            self.sweep[kidnum]={}
        if fiq == 'f':
            self.sweep[kidnum]['f'] = data
        if fiq == 'i':
            if not 'z' in self.sweep[kidnum].keys():
                self.sweep[kidnum]['z'] = data.astype(np.cdouble)
            else:
                self.sweep[kidnum]['z'] += data.astype(np.cdouble)
        if fiq == 'q':
            if not 'z' in self.sweep[kidnum].keys():
                self.sweep[kidnum]['z'] = 1j*data.astype(np.cdouble)
            else:
                self.sweep[kidnum]['z'] += 1j*data.astype(np.cdouble)

    self.numkids = len(self.sweep)
    print(self.numkids)

    #load tone freqs
    with open(os.path.join(path,'calibration'),'r') as file:
        lines=file.readlines()
        lines=[i for i in lines if i.startswith('_cal_tone_freq')]
        for line in lines:
            line = line.strip().split(' ')
            fieldname,fieldtype,datatype,data=line
```

```

        kidnum = int(fieldname[-4:])
        tonefreq = float(data)
        print(self.sweep.keys())
        self.sweep[kidnum]['tone_freq'] = tonefreq

self.start_time = np.loadtxt(os.path.join(self.path, 'time_start.txt')).item()
self.stop_time = np.loadtxt(os.path.join(self.path, 'time_stop.txt')).item()

print('Ready %s'%(self.path))

def get_iq_data(self, kidnum):
    assert kidnum < self.numkids
    filename_i = os.path.join(self.path, 'I%04d'%kidnum)
    filename_q = os.path.join(self.path, 'Q%04d'%kidnum)

    i = np.fromfile(filename_i, dtype=np.float32)
    q = np.fromfile(filename_q, dtype=np.float32)

    return i + 1j*q

def get_sync_data(self):
    filename = os.path.join(self.path, 'Q1023')
    return np.fromfile(filename, dtype=np.float32)

```

## 6. Python Code for Plotting Sweep and Timestream

```

import numpy as np
import sys as sys
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import scipy.constants as const
from scipy.special import iv as I0
from scipy.special import kv as K0
import fsab_dirfile_raw as fsab

#Reading data
local_file = "C:\\Users\\Andrew Thean\\Desktop\\Year 3 Project"
data_folder_name = "\\_1638195670"
data = fsab.fsab_dirfile(local_file + data_folder_name)

#Frequency Sweep
IQ_data = data.sweep[1]["z"]
sweep = data.sweep[1]["f"]
I = IQ_data.real
Q = IQ_data.imag

```

```

plt.plot(sweep/1e9, (I**2+Q**2)**0.5)
plt.ticklabel_format(useOffset=False)
plt.xlabel("Frequency / GHz")
plt.ylabel("S21 Amplitude / V")
plt.title("S21 Amplitude vs Frequency for 1 KID")
plt.figure()

```

#Time stream

```

t = (data.stop_time - data.start_time)/10
for i in range(1, 2):
    IQ_data = data.get_iq_data(i)
    I = IQ_data.real
    Q = IQ_data.imag
    time = np.linspace(0,t, len(I))
    plt.plot(time, (I**2+Q**2)**0.5)
    plt.ticklabel_format(useOffset=False)
    plt.xlabel("Time / s")
    plt.ylabel("S21 Amplitude / V")
    plt.title("Time evolution of S21 for 1 KID")

```

## Week 9: 1/12/2021 – Wednesday

### **1. Outline of Meeting**

This meeting was held on Zoom. It was dedicated to outline how we are going to move forward with noise analysis. Going back to the previous weeks, we can now use the  $dF_0$  formula and data measurements to do readings on noise. This can be accomplished by taking measurements of a known temperature object (e.g. a heated bar) and scanning across to measure the room (background). This gives us information on the responsivity and hence the NEP.

### **2. Specification of Tasks**

#### **a) Noise Spectral Density:**

- i) 1. Load code and understand how to produce a power spectrum and noise spectral density in Python
- ii) 2. Use the Syntax to make similar spectral density plots for real KID data (need to convert real (I) and Imaginary (Q) data to a df time stream using sweep data)
- iii) 3. Measure response of KID data for each KID.  $dI/dF + dQ/dF$

#### **b) Interim Report**

- i) Produce a skeleton and slides as a plan for the report.

Advised to prioritise this over the Noise spectral Density Task

### **3. Outline and Methodology**

Building on the previous week's work. We are now able to measure the response of the KID using the data from last week. We do this by first finding the  $dI/dF_0$  and  $dQ/dF_0$  using the sweep data by obtaining the numerical derivative at the minimum point. Then, using each point on the timestream data as  $I(t)$  and  $Q(t)$ , plug these values along with the  $dI/dF_0$  and  $dQ/dF_0$  to obtain an  $dF_0$ . Subtract  $dF_0$  from the tone frequency and plot for varying times.

Prioritize Interim Report Planning. This can be accomplished after Interim Report submitted

### **Week 10: 8/12/2021 – Wednesday**

#### **1. Outline of Meeting**

The meeting was held on Zoom. The meeting was focused on going through the slides for the plan for the interim report and the skeleton of it. It was discussed how to better structure the report, what to emphasize, and fitting in the aims and objectives. It was also discussed that the slides can be used for the Viva for next year. The draft report was agreed to be compiled by next week so that feedback can be given.

#### **2. Outline of Tasks**

- i) Create a draft of the Interim Report by next week

The discussing of the interim report and how it should be structured, and which parts to emphasize took up most of the meeting and as such, not much in terms of theory was discussed in this meeting.

### **Week 11: 13/12/2021 – Monday**

#### **1. Outline of Meeting**

The meeting was held on Zoom. The meeting was focused on going through the draft Interim Report for submission on Friday the 17<sup>th</sup>. My supervisor provided valuable feedback on what could be improved in the report. In terms of the word count, my report went quite over the limit and my supervisor gave me pointers on which parts to leave out and which parts to simplify and shorten. He also gave advice on how to structure the information so that it would flow smoother for the reader. It was also covered how the referencing could be improved to save words and better worded. Some misconceptions on the use of the  $df_0$  formula was also covered. Overall, most of the meeting was spent on constructive feedback on the report.