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## **EDUCATION**

Yale University September 2022-Present

Postdoctoral Associate (advisors Prof. Steve Girvin and Prof. Shruti Puri)

Northwestern University

September 2017 - August 2022

PhD in physics (advisor Prof. Jens Koch)

Thesis: Control and coherence of next-generation superconducting qubits

Wesleyan University
B.A. in physics with High Honors (advisor Prof. Reinhold Blümel)

Thesis: Phase transitions of charged particles in a Paul trap

August 2013- May 2017

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Superconducting circuits, noise/error protected qubits, simulating quantum systems, quantum random access memory, quantum optimal control

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- 1. Jacob Bryon, **D. K. Weiss**, Xinyuan You, Sara Sussman, Xanthe Croot, Ziwen Huang, Jens Koch and Andrew Houck, "Experimental verification of the treatment of time-dependent flux in circuit quantization," arXiv:2208.03738 (2022) (accepted in Phys. Rev. Applied)
- 2. **D. K. Weiss**, Helin Zhang, Chunyang Ding, Yuwei Ma, David I. Schuster and Jens Koch, "Fast high-fidelity gates for galvanically-coupled fluxonium qubits using strong flux modulation," PRX Quantum 3, 040336 (2022)
- 3. D. K. Weiss, Wade DeGottardi, Jens Koch and D. G. Ferguson, "Variational tight-binding method for simulating large superconducting circuits," Phys. Rev. Research 3, 033244 (2021)
- 4. H. Zhang, S. Chakram, T. Roy, N. Earnest, Y. Lu, Z. Huang, **D. K. Weiss**, J. Koch and D. I. Schuster, "Universal Fast-Flux Control of a Coherent, Low-Frequency Qubit," Phys. Rev. X 11, 011010 (2021)
- 5. **D. K. Weiss**, Andy C. Y. Li, D. G. Ferguson and Jens Koch, "Spectrum and Coherence Properties of the Current-Mirror Qubit," Phys. Rev. B 100, 224507 (2019)
- 6. Y.S. Nam, **D. K. Weiss** and R. Blümel, "Explicit, analytical radio-frequency heating formulas for spherically symmetric nonneutral plasmas in a Paul trap," Phys. Lett. A 381, 3441 (2017)
- 7. **D. K. Weiss**, Y.S. Nam and R. Blümel, "Lifetimes of metastable ion clouds in a Paul trap: Power-law scaling," Phys. Rev. A 93, 043424 (2016)

## HONORS, PRIZES AND FELLOWSHIPS

Quantum Computing Graduate Research Fellowship, funded by the Army Research Office, 2019-2022 Bertman Prize, Wesleyan University, 2017

· Awarded to a senior majoring in physics who displays a particularly resourceful and creative approach to physics research

Phi Beta Kappa, Wesleyan University, early election, Fall 2016

Karl van Dyke Prize, Wesleyan University, 2016

 $\cdot$  Awarded each year to one or more students majoring in physical science who show outstanding achievement in academic work and a promise of productivity in a professional career

Dean's List, Wesleyan University, 2014-2017

#### CONTRIBUTED PRESENTATIONS

- 1. **D. K. Weiss**, Helin Zhang, Chunyang Ding, David I. Schuster and Jens Koch, "High-fidelity entangling gates for fluxonium qubits via flux modulation of a tunable coupler," APS March Meeting 2022, T41.05
- 2. **D. K. Weiss**, Wade DeGottardi, Jens Koch and D. G. Ferguson, "Tight binding as a numerical tool for diagonalizing superconducting-circuit Hamiltonians," APS March Meeting 2021, X30.02
- 3. D. K. Weiss, D. G. Ferguson, M. S. Khalil, Andy C. Y. Li, Jens Koch, "Numerical Methods for Current Mirror Qubit Simulations," APS March Meeting 2019, B29.04
- 4. **D. K. Weiss**, Y.S. Nam and R. Blümel, "Discovery of an Unexpected Liquid Phase in the Periodically Driven Paul Trap," APS March Meeting 2017, P13.09
- 5. **D. K. Weiss**, Y.S. Nam and R. Blümel, "Universal critical phenomena of the cloud crystal phase transition in the Paul trap: Powerlaws," APS March Meeting 2016, X50.05

#### INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 1. **D. K. Weiss**, J. Bryon, Z. Huang, X. You, Jens Koch, A. A. Houck, "Allocation of time-dependent flux: towards experimental verification," Quantum Computing Program Review (QCPR) July 2021
- 2. **D. K. Weiss**, Wade DeGottardi, Jens Koch and D. G. Ferguson, "Tight binding as a numerical tool for diagonalizing superconducting-circuit Hamiltonians," QCPR October 2020

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

| Yale University                        |                  |
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| 1. Quantum Information and Computation | Fall 2023        |
| Northwestern University                |                  |
| 1. College Physics I                   | Fall 2018        |
| 2. College Physics I                   | Winter 2018-2019 |
| 3. College Physics I                   | Spring 2019      |
| Wesleyan University                    |                  |
| 1. Principles of Chemistry             | Fall 2014        |
| 2. General Physics II                  | Spring 2015      |
| 3. Quantum Mechanics I                 | Spring 2016      |
| 4. Vectors and Matrices                | Fall 2016        |
| 5. General Physics I                   | Fall 2016        |
| 6. Quantum Mechanics I                 | Spring 2017      |

#### MENTORING EXPERIENCE

- 1. **Athena Zheng and Sydney Wang**, Illinois Math and Science Academy

  Fall 2018-Spring 2020
  Introduced high-school students to quantum algorithms as well as introductory superconducting circuit theory
- 2. **Elijah Hansen**, Northwestern University Spring 2021-Spring 2023 Mentored in superconducting circuit theory and best practices for contributing to scqubits

## 3. Ben McDonough, Yale University

Fall 2022-Present

Currently mentoring in the analysis of superconducting circuits, resulting in the completion of a unitaryHACK challenge posted for scqubits

## REFERENCES

1. Jens Koch, Northwestern University

2. David Schuster, University of Chicago

3. David Ferguson, Northrop Grumman Corporation

4. Reinhold Blümel, Wesleyan University

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## **MISCELLANEOUS**

Played NCAA DIII ice hockey as a goaltender for Wesleyan University.