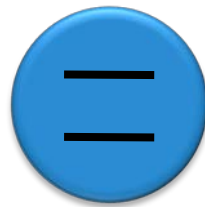


Today's lecture

Simulation of dissipative quantum dynamics: Master equation

Measurement of Superconducting Qubits

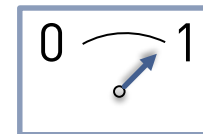
- General properties of quantum measurements
- Circuit Quantum Electrodynamics and the Jaynes-Cummings Hamiltonian.
- Dispersive limit and readout of superconducting qubits.



Qubit

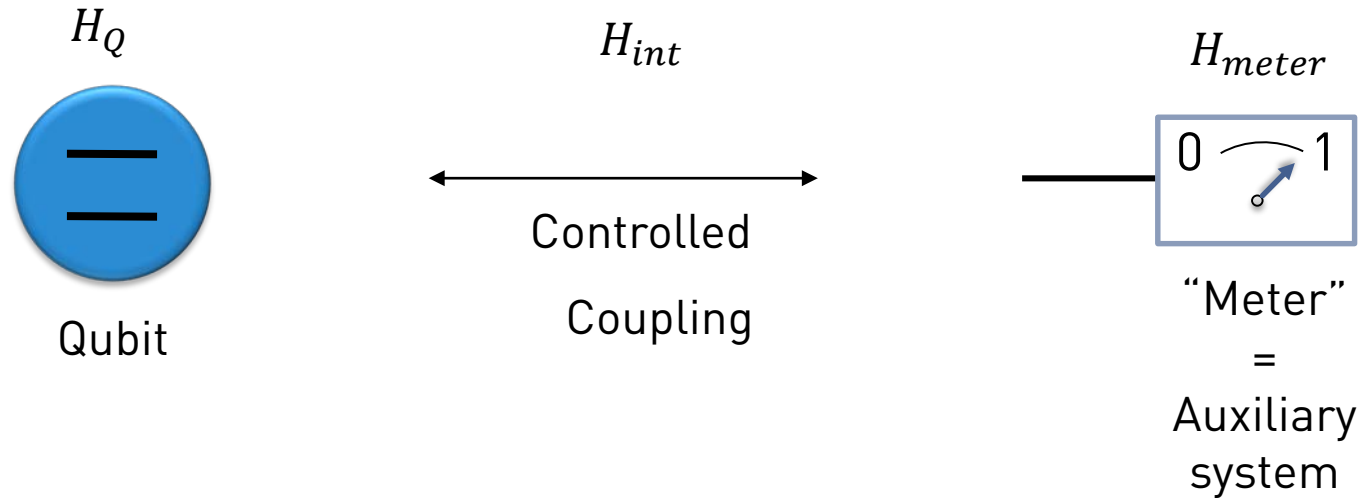


Controlled
Coupling



“Meter”
=
Auxiliary
system

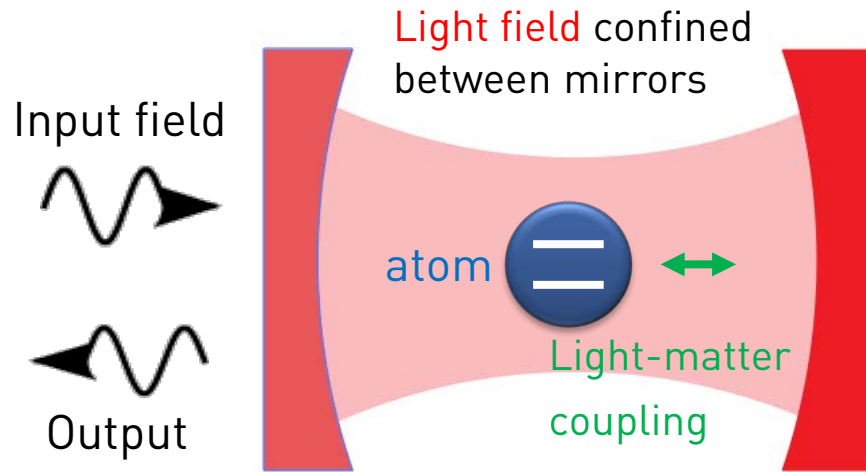
4.5 General properties of quantum measurements



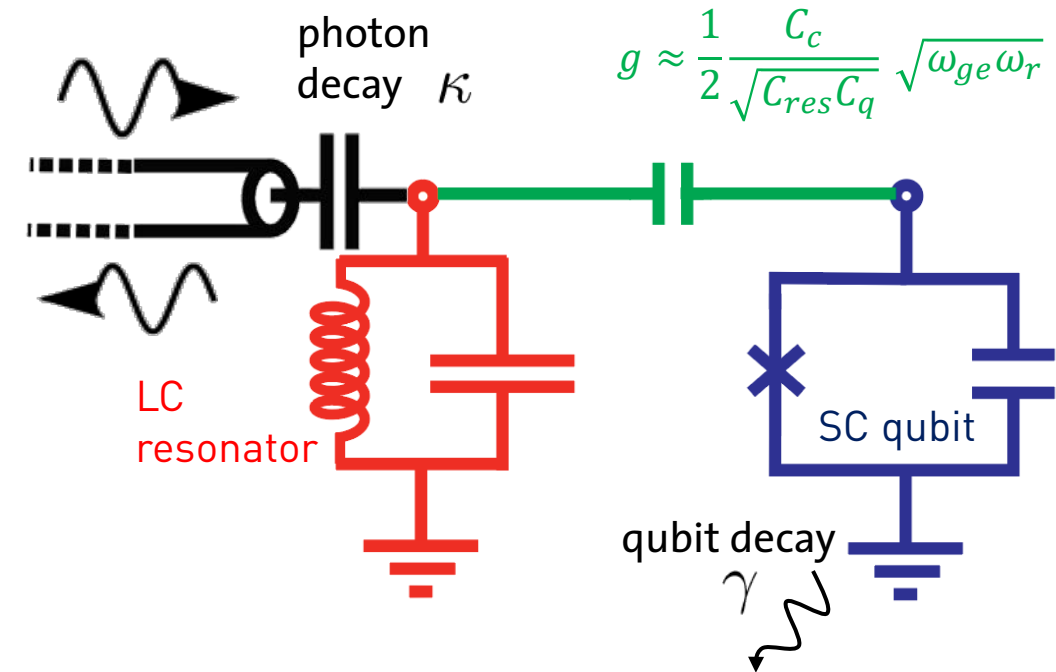
Desirable properties:

- Projective and Quantum non-demolition (QND)
 - Coupling to the meter does not change the state of the qubit $[H_Q, H_{int}] = 0$.
 - Repeated measurement yields the same outcome.
- Good ON/OFF ratio
 - $[H_{int}, H_{meter}] = 0$ during "OFF"
 - $[H_{int}, H_{meter}] \neq 0$ during "ON"
- No spontaneous decay/excitation due to measurement apparatus
- Fast and high fidelity

4.6 Circuit QED



Circuit
equivalent



System Hamiltonian (compare chapter 2):

$$H_{\text{sys}}/\hbar = \omega_r a^\dagger a + \omega_{ge} b^\dagger b - \frac{\alpha}{2} (b^\dagger)^2 b^2 - g(a - a^\dagger)(b - b^\dagger)$$

$$= \boxed{\omega_r a^\dagger a} + \boxed{\frac{\omega_{ge}}{2} \sigma^z} + \boxed{g(a^\dagger \sigma^- + a \sigma^+)}$$

Resonator field qubit coupling

Jaynes-Cummings
Hamiltonian

- Rotating wave approximation (RWA)
- Two-level approximation

4.6 Circuit QED: Resonant case and dispersive limit

Jaynes-Cummings Hamiltonian:

$$H/\hbar = \underbrace{\omega_r a^\dagger a}_{\text{quantized field}} + \underbrace{\frac{\omega_{ge}}{2} \sigma^z}_{\text{qubit}} + \underbrace{g(a^\dagger \sigma^- + a \sigma^+)}_{\text{coupling}}$$

Strong coupling regime: $g > \gamma, \kappa$

What happens
in the limit of large detuning?

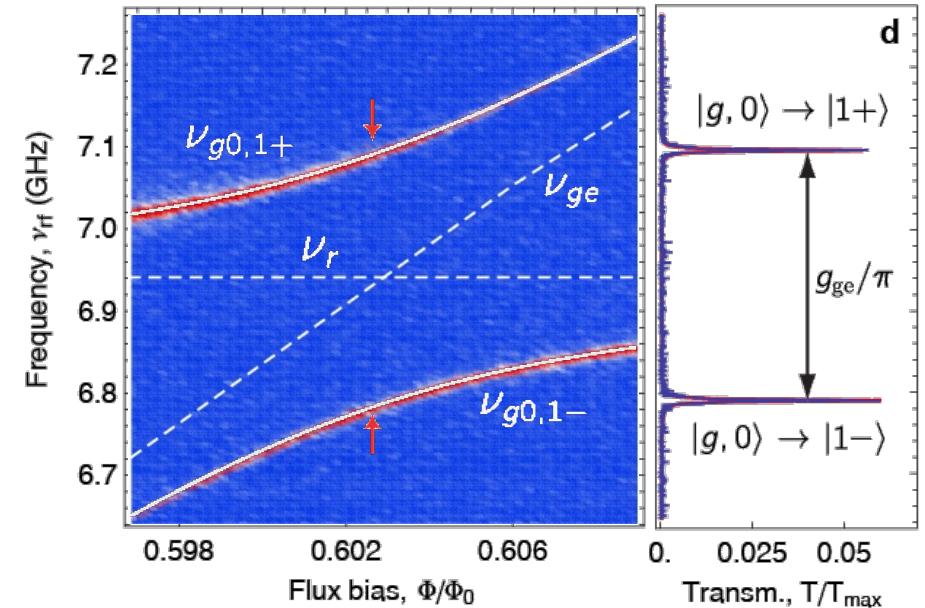
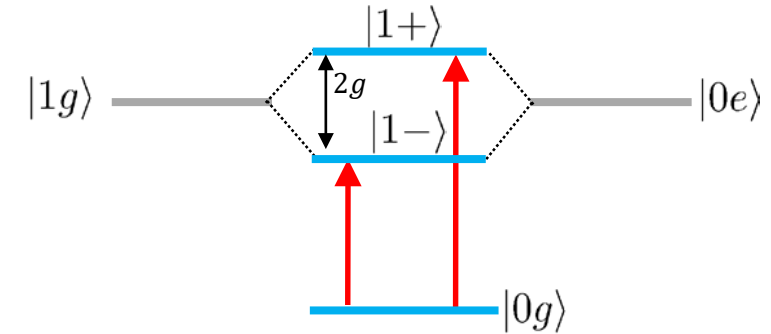
$$|\Delta| = |\omega_{ge} - \omega_r| \gg g$$

$$\chi \sigma_z a^\dagger a$$

Dispersive coupling

- Limit of large detuning is referred to as the dispersive limit. No resonant exchange of excitations.
- In the dispersive regime coupling Hamiltonian commutes with qubit Hamiltonian.

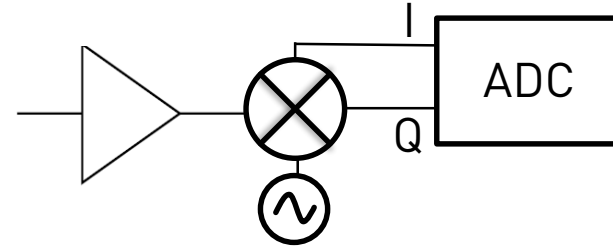
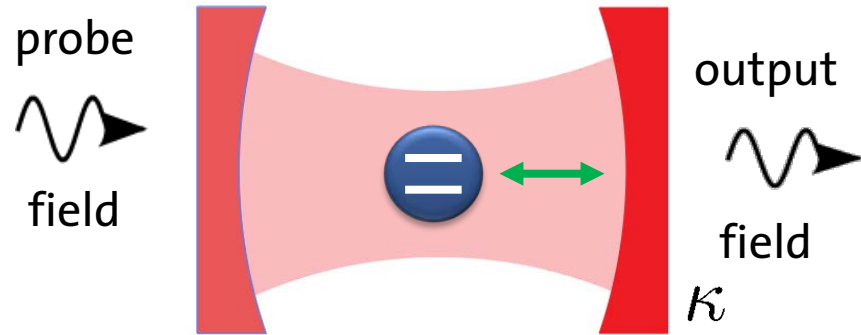
Energy level diagram for resonant case $\omega_r = \omega_{ge}$:



4.7 Derivation of Dispersive Hamiltonian

Discussion on the black board.

4.7 Principle of Dispersive Qubit Measurement

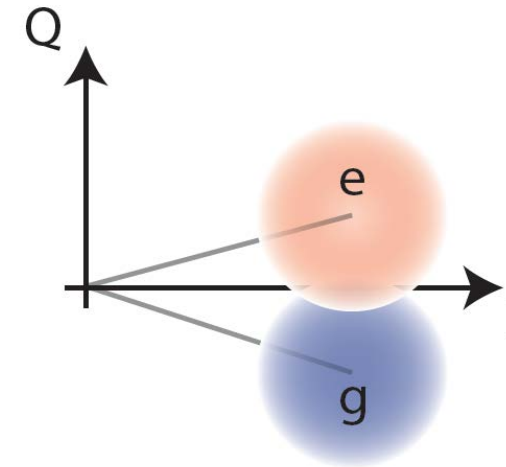
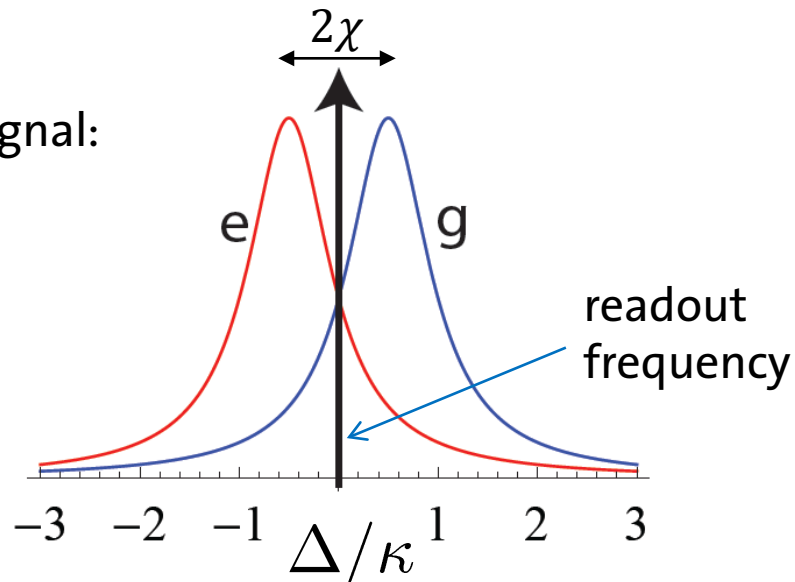


$$\overset{\text{signal amplitude}}{A} e^{i \overset{\text{Phase}}{\phi}} = \overset{\text{In-phase and quadrature components}}{I} + i Q$$

In the limit of large detuning $\omega_r - \omega_{ge} \gg g$:

$$H/\hbar \approx (\omega_r + \chi \sigma_z) a^\dagger a, \text{ with } \chi \approx -\alpha \frac{g^2}{\Delta(\Delta - \alpha)}$$

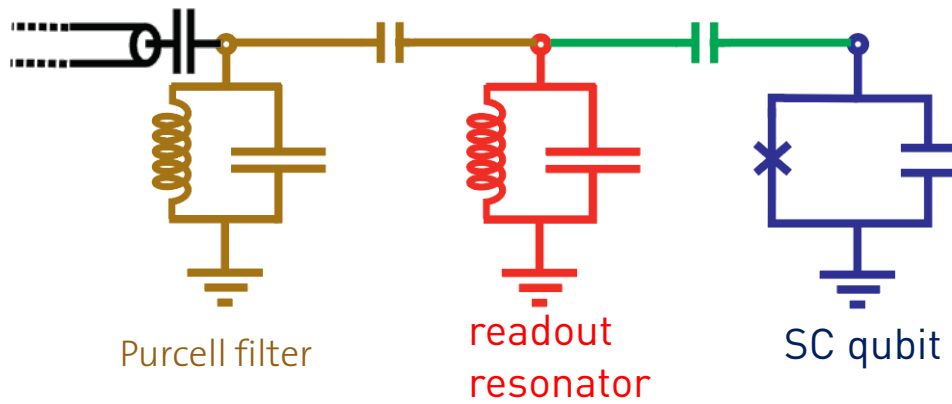
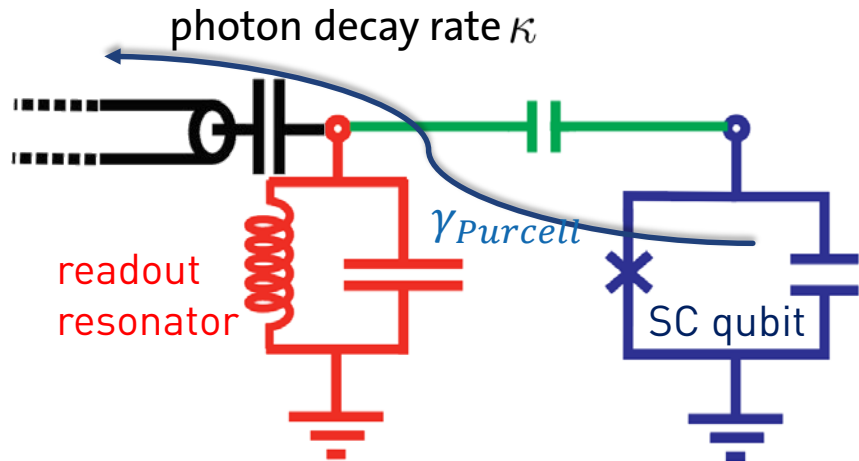
Amplitude of transmitted signal:



A. Wallraff *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 95, 060501 (2005).
R. Vijay *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 106, 110502 (2011).

Purcell decay and protection

What about decay of the qubit into the measurement line via the resonator?



- In the limit of large detuning we find

$$\gamma_{Purcell} \approx \kappa \frac{g^2}{\Delta^2} \approx \kappa \frac{|\chi|}{\alpha}$$
- Calculate e.g. using the methods discussed in chapter 4.4.
- BUT: Fast readout requires large κ and $|\chi|$.

- Solution: Include an additional filter, called “Purcell filter” to suppress qubit decay while allowing for large κ and $|\chi|$.
- Purcell filter can be realized e.g. as an additional LC -resonator (see schematic).
- In this case

$$\gamma_{Purcell} \propto 1/\Delta^4$$

is strongly suppressed.

Transmon and Readout Circuit optimized for fast Readout

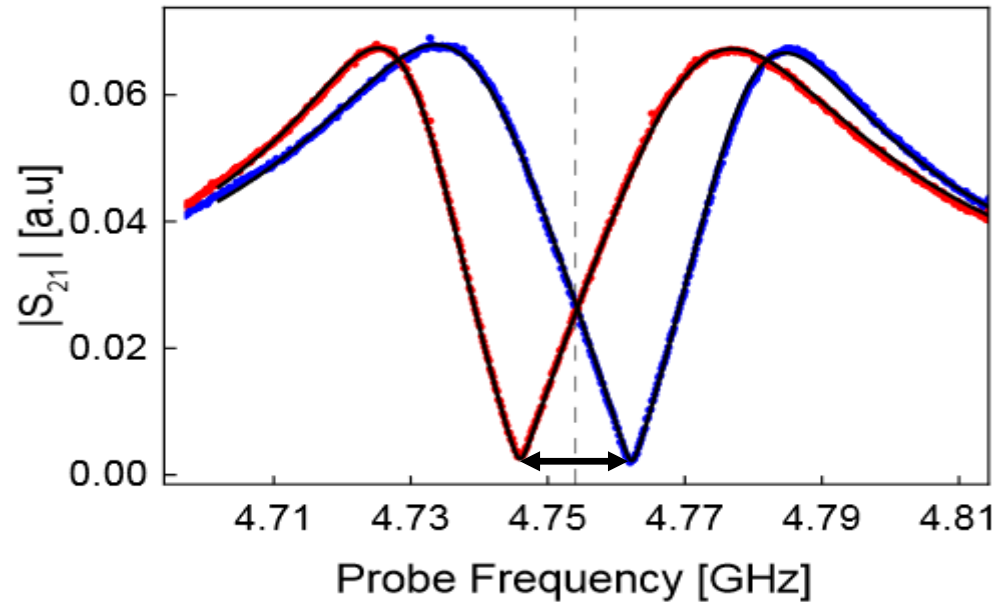
- Transmon qubit
- Qubit drive line
- $\lambda/4$ readout resonator at 4.755 GHz
- $\lambda/4$ Purcell filter at 4.755 GHz
- Measurement input/output line



Walter et al., *Phys. Rev. Applied* 7, 054020 (2017)

Readout Resonator Response

Transmission amplitude or readout resonator extracted through Purcell filter for qubit prepared in **ground** (g) or **excited** (e) state :



In **ground**/**excited** state:

Data measured after state prep. (*,*)

Fit to resonator response model (-)

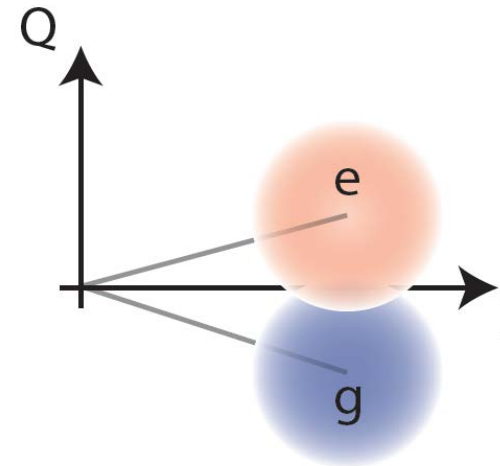
Parameter fit (input-output model):

Purcell filter $\kappa_p/2\pi = 64$ MHz

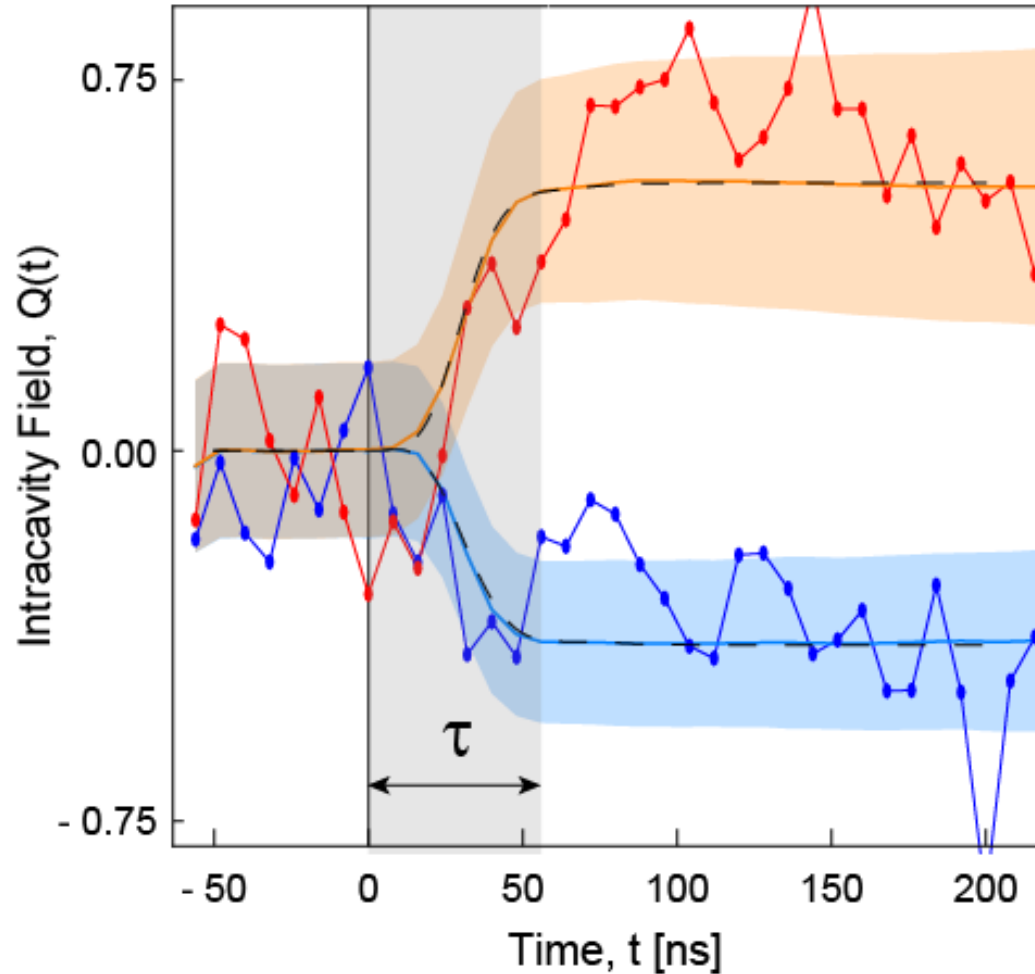
Readout resonator $\kappa_r/2\pi = 37.5$ MHz

State dependent resonator shift

$2\chi/2\pi \simeq -16$ MHz



Time Dependence of Measured Quadrature



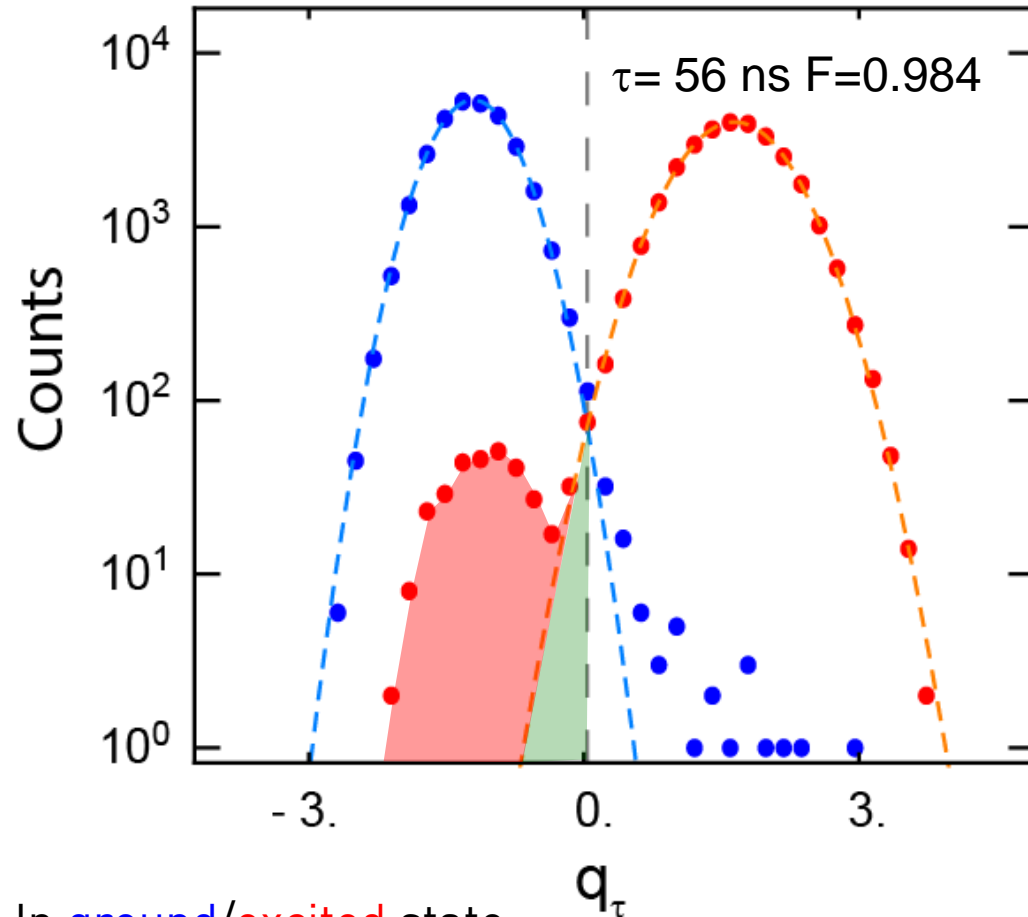
Quantities:

- Single ground state (**g**) trace
- **Average** and **Stdv** of **g** traces
- Simulated dynamics (-)
- Single excited state (**e**) trace
- **Average** and **Stdv** of **e** traces
- Simulated dynamics (-)
- Integration time τ

Observations:

- Fast rise of measurement signal (< 50 ns) due large χ (and κ)
- Small decay of **average excited state trace** due to Purcell protected T_1
- Little increase of **average ground state trace** due to measurement induced mixing

Histograms of Integrated Quadrature Signals



In **ground/excited** state:

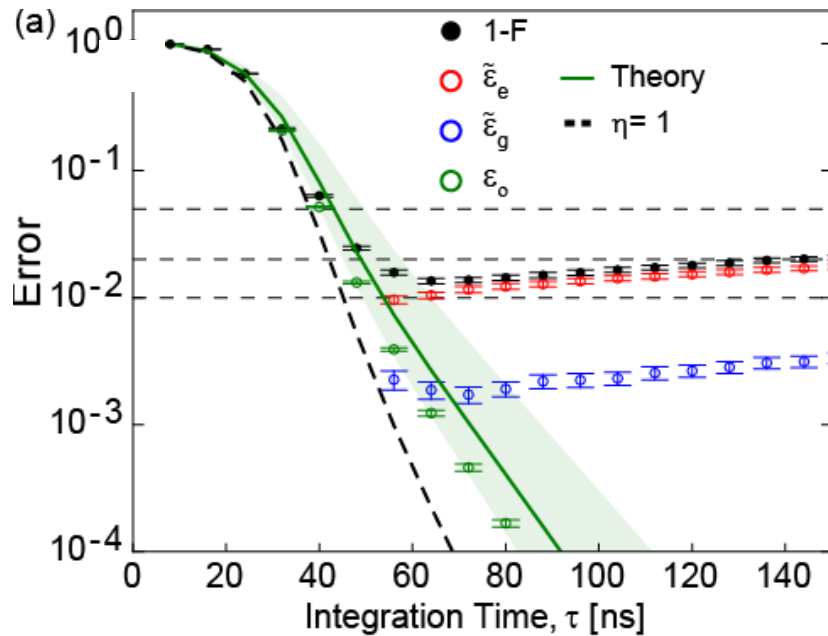
- Data of 30k preparations each (*,*)
- Fitted Gaussian distribution (-,-)
- Constant threshold (---)

- Transmission quadrature integrated with opt. filter.
- Definition of errors and fidelities in **ground/excited** state:
 - **Overlap error:** $\varepsilon_{o,g/e}$
 - **Transition, preparation (and other) errors:** $\tilde{\varepsilon}_{g/e}$
 - Total error $\varepsilon_{g/e} = \varepsilon_{o,g/e} + \tilde{\varepsilon}_{g/e}$
- For measurement of unknown state:
 - Total error $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_g + \varepsilon_e$
 - Total fidelity $F = 1 - \varepsilon$

Note:

- Alternative fidelity metric calculates the *average probability of correct assignment*. For a single qubit this probability is $1 - \varepsilon/2$.

Measurement Error vs. Integration Time



Discussion:

- Fast state discrimination with **overlap error** drop to 1 % in only < 50 ns
- **Excited state error** < 0.96 %
- **Ground state error** < 0.23 %
- Max. total fidelity > 98 % limited by **qubit T_1**

Improved Understanding:

- Power Dependency
 - overlap vs measurement induced errors
- Pulse Shaping (Two-Step)
- Improved measurement efficiency (36 dB gain)
- 99.2% total Fidelity reached
 - Knowledge for improvement