

# **Circuit Quantum Electrodynamics**

## **Superconducting platform**

(10th Lecture)

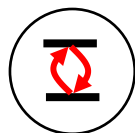
Covering: basic concepts, measurement techniques,  
implementations, qubit approaches, current trends

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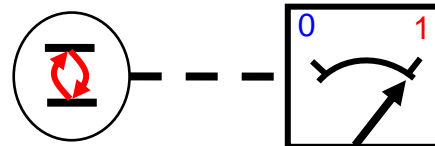
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# Requirements for QC

**High-Fidelity  
Single Qubit Operations**



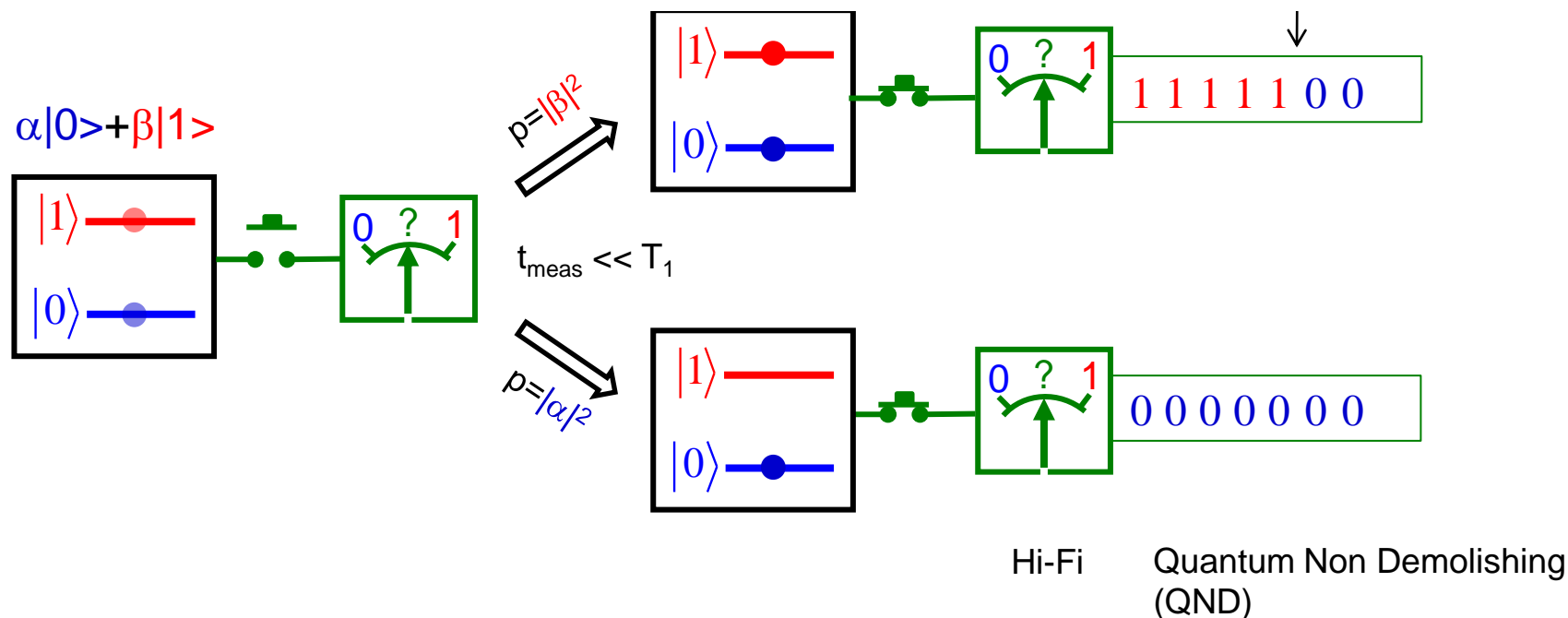
**High-Fidelity Readout  
of Individual Qubits**



**Deterministic, On-Demand  
Entanglement between Qubits**



# The ideal qubit readout



**BUT ....HOW ???**

**SURPRISING DIFFICULT AND INTERESTING QUESTION FOR  
SUPERCONDUCTING QUBITS**


# The readout problem

- 1) Readout should be **FAST** :

$t_{meas} \ll T_1 \sim \text{from } 1\mu s \text{ to } 100\mu s$  for high fidelity ( $F \leq 1 - t_{meas} / T_1$ )

Ideally,  $t_{meas} \sim 10ns$

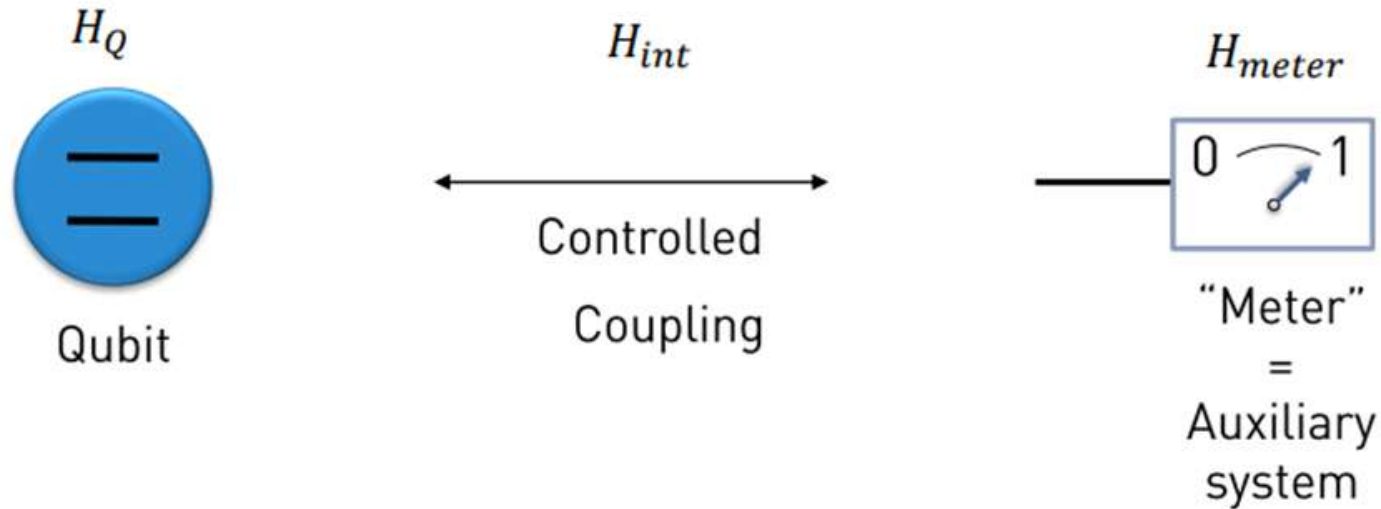
- 2) Readout should be **NON-INVASIVE**

Unwanted transition caused by readout process  **errors**  
(but full dephasing can't be avoided !!!)

- 3) Readout should be **COMPLETELY OFF** during quantum state preparation

(avoid backaction)

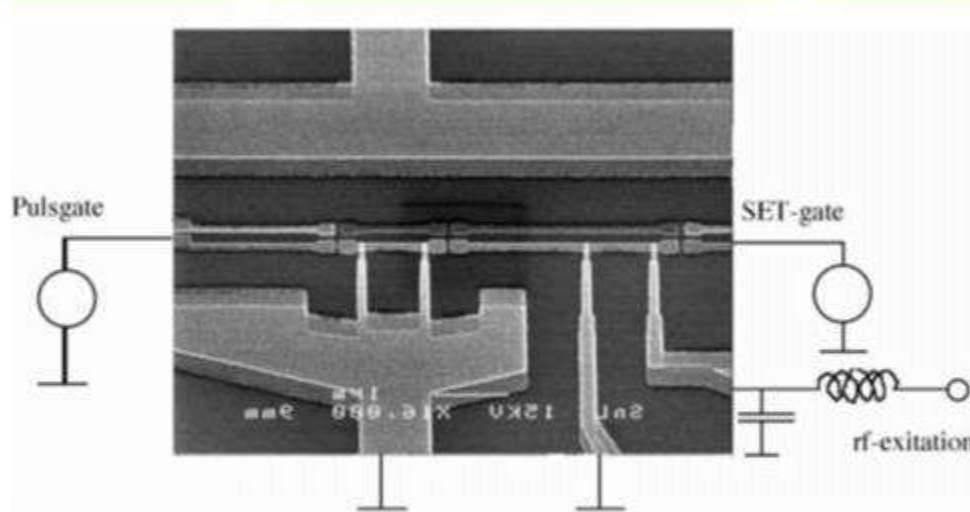
# General properties of quantum measurements



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

# Example: A single CPB integrated with an RF-SET Read-out system

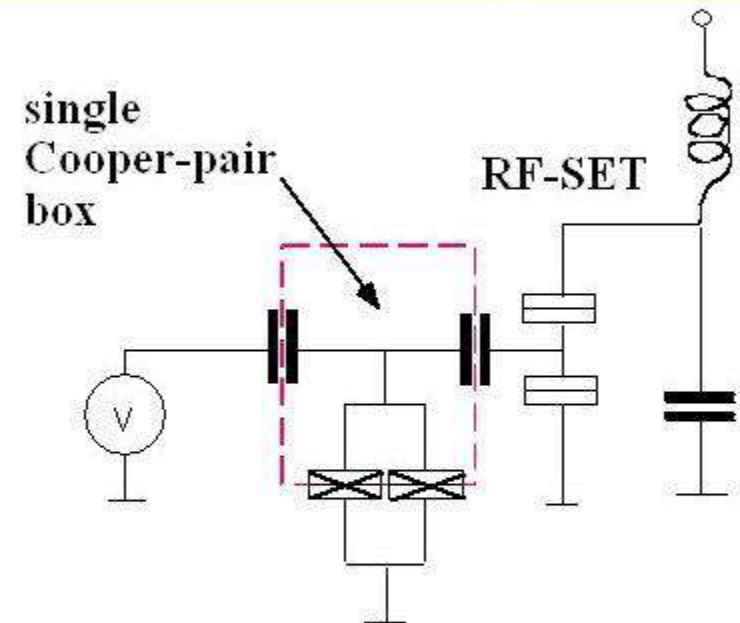


A two level system based on the charge states

$|1\rangle$  = One extra Cooper-pair in the box

$|0\rangle$  = No extra Cooper-pair in the box

$\Delta$	$\gg$	$E_C$	$\gg$	$E_J(B)$	$\gg$	$T$
2.5K		0.5-1.5K		0.05-1K		20mK



Büttiker, PRB (86)

Bouchiat et al. Physica Scripta (99)

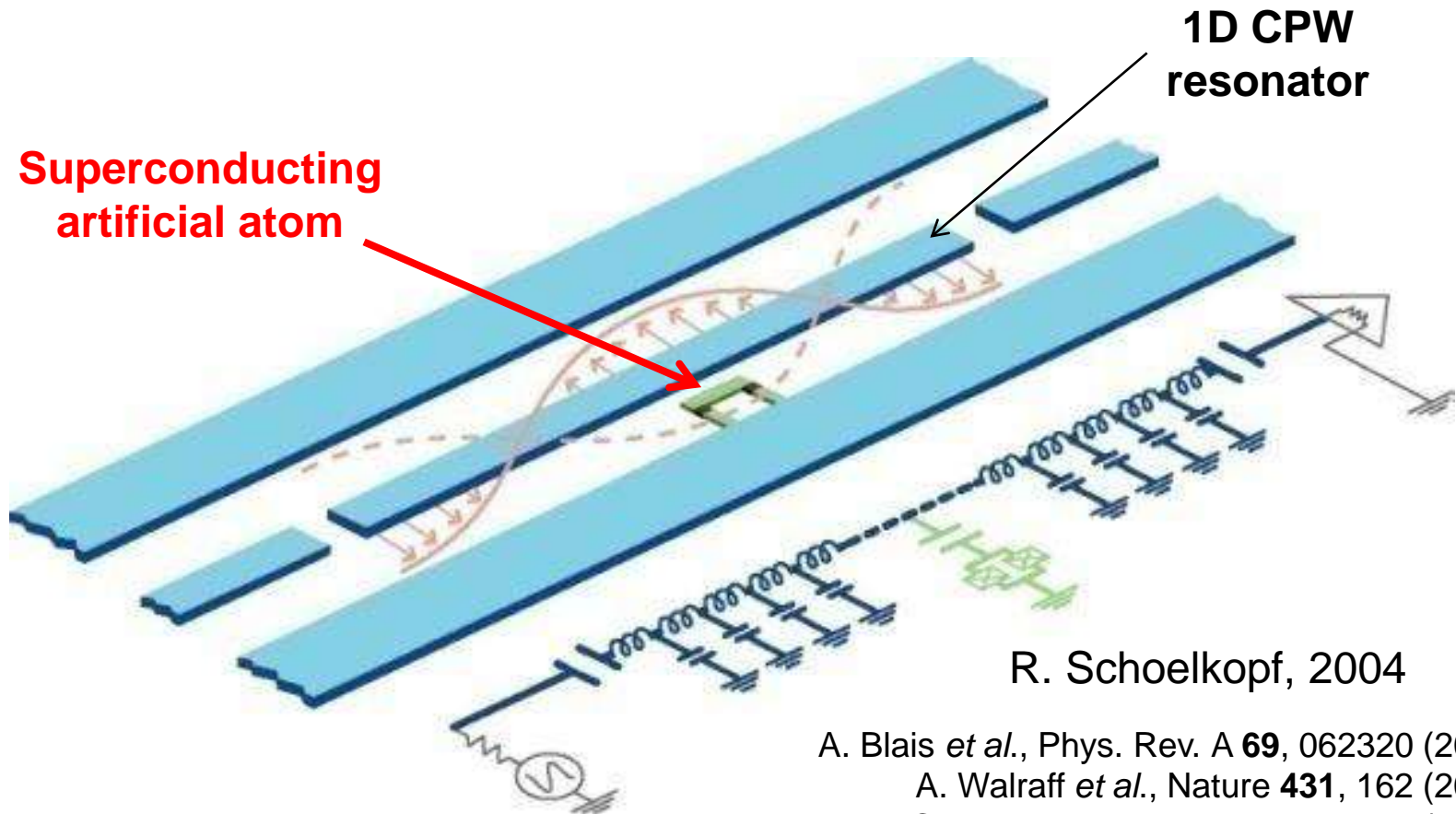
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# Readout by a linear resonator



R. Schoelkopf, 2004

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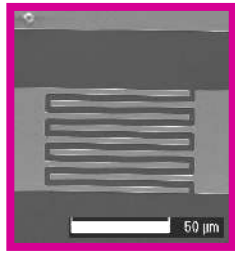
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Modern readout methods by coupling to a resonator

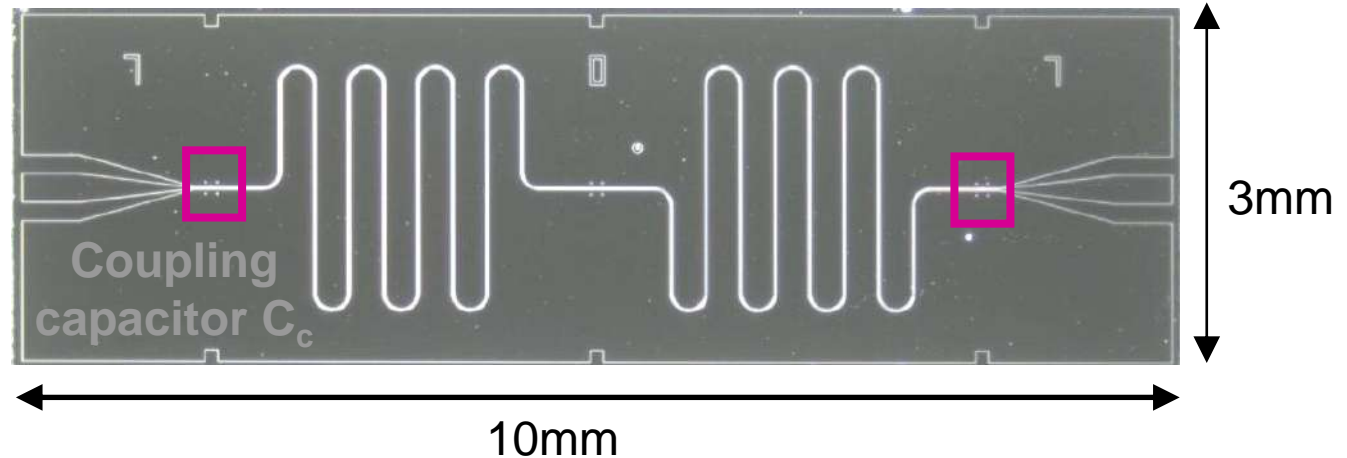
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# Readout by a linear resonator

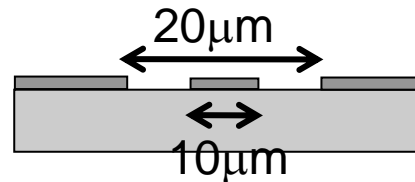
$$L=3.2\text{cm}, f_n=n \cdot 1.8\text{GHz}$$



50μm



Typical lateral dimensions :



- **1-dimensional** mode

- Very **confined** :  $V_{cav} \approx 10^{-5} \lambda^3$

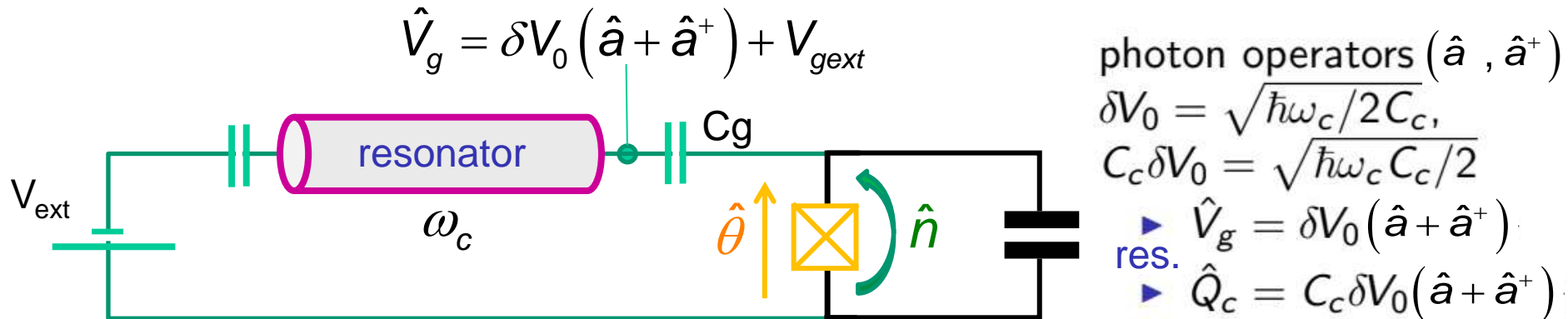
- Large voltage quantum fluctuations  $\delta V_0 \sim \mu V$

- Quality factor easily tuned by designing  $C_c$





# CPB coupled to a CPW resonator



$$\hat{H}_{tot} = -E_J \cos \hat{\theta} + 4E_C (\hat{n} - \hat{n}_g)^2 + \hbar \omega_c \hat{a}^+ \hat{a}$$

$$\hat{H}_{tot} = \underbrace{-E_J \cos \hat{\theta} + 4E_C (\hat{n} - n_{gext})^2}_{\hat{H}_q} + \underbrace{\hbar \omega_c \hat{a}^+ \hat{a}}_{\hat{H}_{cav}} + \underbrace{8(C_g \delta V_0 E_C / 2e) \hat{n} (a + a^+)}_{\hat{H}_{int}}$$

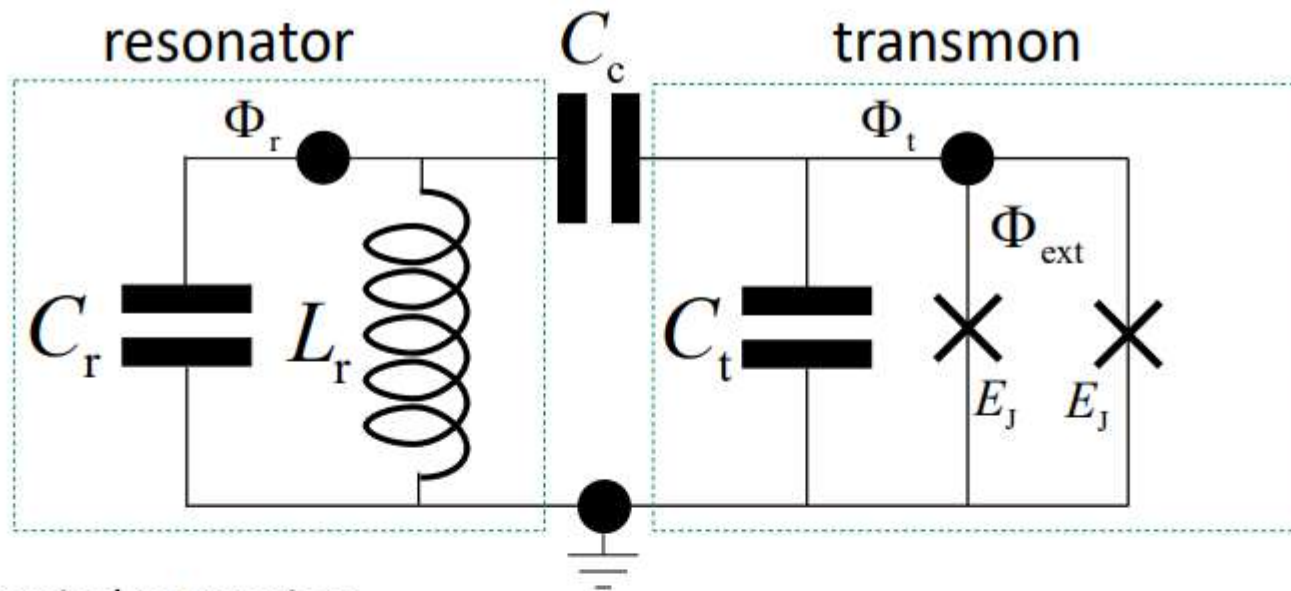
2-level approximation + Rotating Wave Approximation

$$H_{tot} \sim -\frac{\omega_{ge}}{2} \sigma_z + \omega_c (a^+ a + 1/2) + g(\sigma^+ a + \sigma^- a^+)$$

**Jaynes-Cummings  
Hamiltonian**

# Coupling a Resonator to a Transmon

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Calculate the classical Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L} = E_c - E_m$$

$$E_e = \frac{1}{2} C_r \dot{\Phi}_r^2 + \frac{1}{2} C_t \dot{\Phi}_t^2 + \frac{1}{2} C_c (\dot{\Phi}_r - \dot{\Phi}_t)^2$$

$$E_m = \frac{\Phi_r^2}{2L_r} - E_J(\Phi_{\text{ext}}) \cos \left( 2\pi \frac{\Phi_t}{\Phi_0} + \varphi(\Phi_{\text{ext}}) \right)$$

Find the variables conjugate to the fluxes:

$$Q_r = \frac{d\mathcal{L}}{d\dot{\Phi}_r} = C_r \dot{\Phi}_r + C_c (\dot{\Phi}_r - \dot{\Phi}_t) = (C_r + C_c) \dot{\Phi}_r - C_c \dot{\Phi}_t$$

$$Q_t = \frac{d\mathcal{L}}{d\dot{\Phi}_t} = C_t \dot{\Phi}_t + C_c (\dot{\Phi}_t - \dot{\Phi}_r) = (C_t + C_c) \dot{\Phi}_t - C_c \dot{\Phi}_r$$

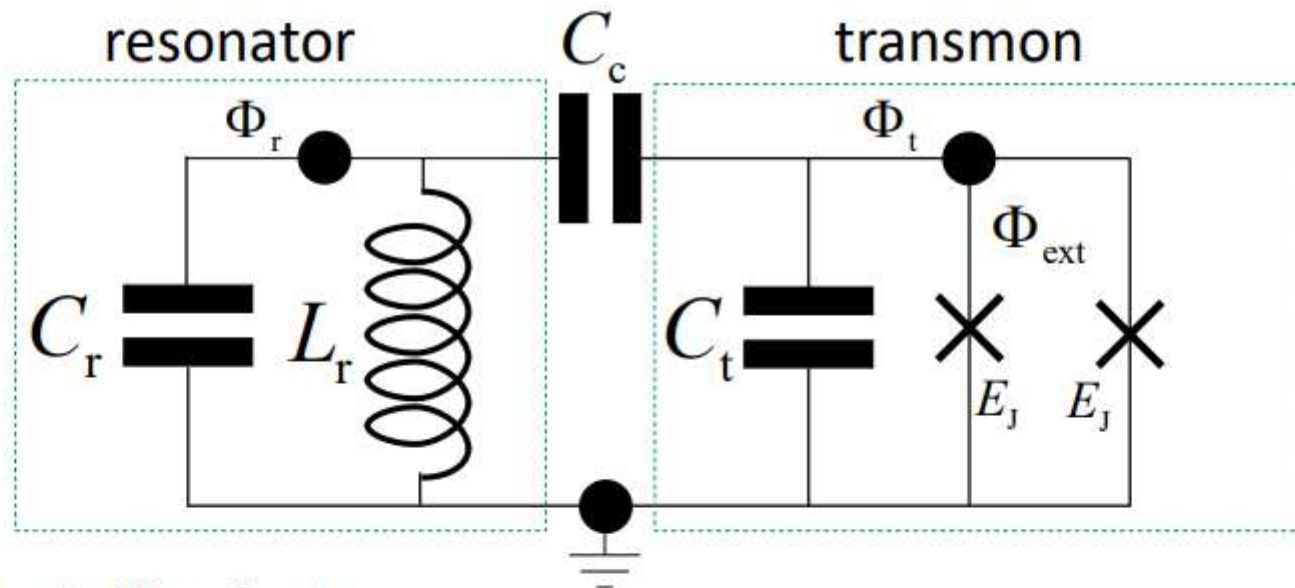
In matrix form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} Q_r \\ Q_t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} C_r + C_c & -C_c \\ -C_c & C_t + C_c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{\Phi}_r \\ \dot{\Phi}_t \end{pmatrix} = M^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{\Phi}_r \\ \dot{\Phi}_t \end{pmatrix}$$

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# Coupling a Resonator to a Transmon

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Calculate the classical Hamiltonian:

$$H(\Phi_r, \Phi_t, Q_r, Q_t) = \dot{\Phi}_r Q_r + \dot{\Phi}_t Q_t - \mathcal{L} = E_m + \frac{1}{2} Q^T \times M \times Q$$

$$= \frac{\Phi_r^2}{2L_r} + \frac{Q_r^2}{2C_{\Sigma r}} + -E_J(\Phi_{\text{ext}}) \cos\left(2\pi \frac{\Phi_t}{\Phi_0} + \varphi(\Phi_{\text{ext}})\right) + \frac{Q_t^2}{2C_{\Sigma t}} + \beta Q_r \otimes Q_t$$

where

$$C_{\Sigma r} \equiv C_r + C_c \parallel C_t$$

$$C_{\Sigma t} \equiv C_t + C_c \parallel C_r$$

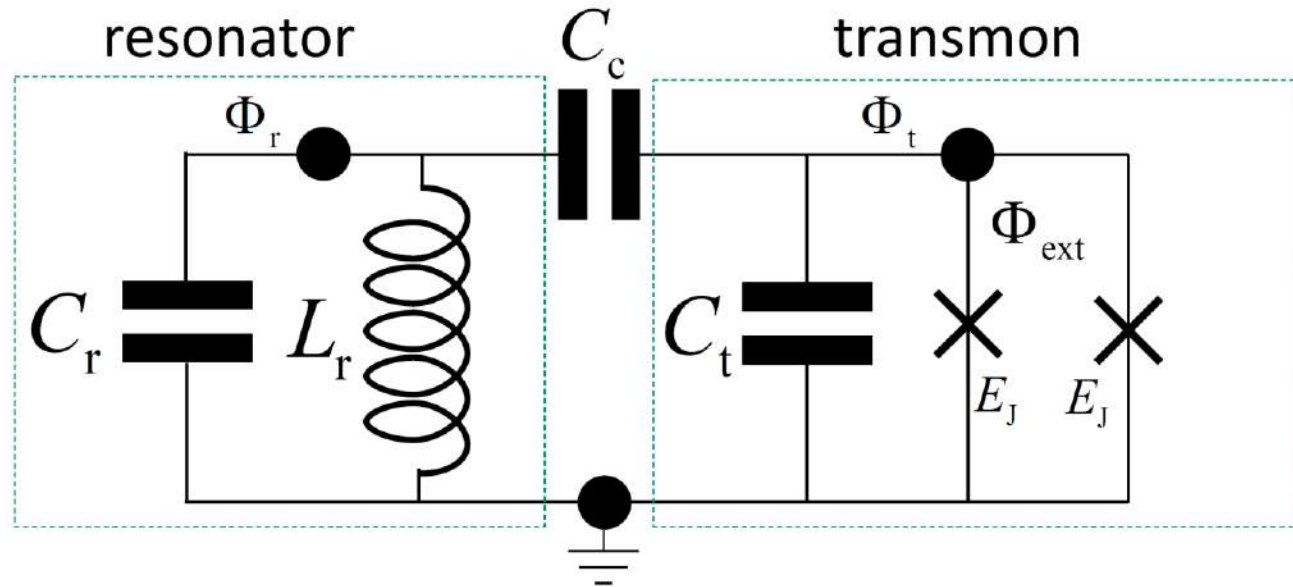
$$\beta \equiv \frac{1}{C_{\Sigma r}} \left( \frac{C_c}{C_c + C_t} \right)$$

Definition:  $a \parallel b \equiv \frac{ab}{a+b}$

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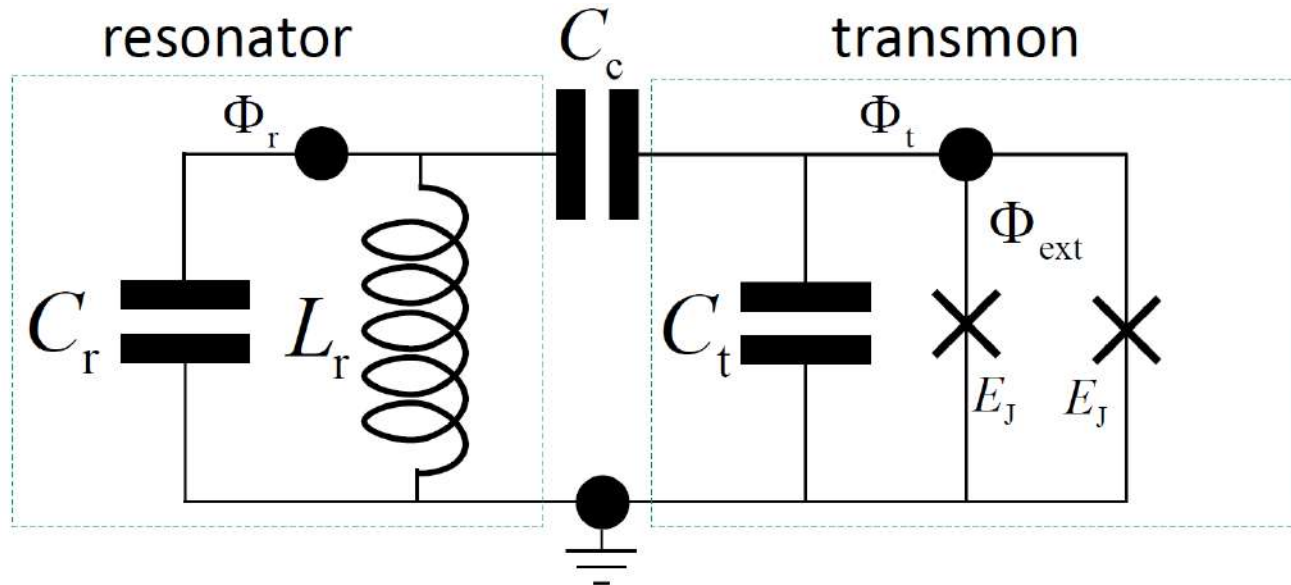
Calculate the quantum Hamiltonian:

$$\hat{H} = \underbrace{\frac{\hat{\Phi}_r^2}{2L_r} + \frac{\hat{Q}_r^2}{2C_{\Sigma r}}}_{\hat{H}_{\text{resonator}}} + \underbrace{-E_J(\Phi_{\text{ext}}) \cos\left(2\pi \frac{\hat{\Phi}_t}{\Phi_0} + \varphi(\Phi_{\text{ext}})\right) + \frac{\hat{Q}_t^2}{2C_{\Sigma t}}}_{\hat{H}_{\text{transmon}}} + \underbrace{\beta \hat{Q}_r \otimes \hat{Q}_t}_{\hat{H}_{\text{coupling}}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\hat{\Phi}_r, \hat{Q}_r] &= i\hbar & [\hat{\Phi}_r, \hat{\Phi}_t] &= 0 & [\hat{Q}_r, \hat{\Phi}_t] &= 0 \\ [\hat{\Phi}_t, \hat{Q}_t] &= i\hbar & [\hat{\Phi}_t, \hat{Q}_r] &= 0 & [\hat{Q}_r, \hat{Q}_t] &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

# Coupling a Resonator to a Transmon

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Let's take a close look at the coupling term:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{H}_{\text{coupling}} &= \beta \hat{Q}_r \otimes \hat{Q}_t \\
 &= i\beta Q_{\text{zpf}} (\hat{a}_r^\dagger - \hat{a}_r) \otimes \hat{Q}_t \\
 &= i\beta Q_{\text{zpf}} (\hat{a}_r^\dagger - \hat{a}_r) \otimes \left( \underbrace{\left( \sum_k |k_t\rangle \langle k_t| \right)}_{\hat{I}_t} \hat{Q}_t \underbrace{\left( \sum_l |l_t\rangle \langle l_t| \right)}_{\hat{I}_t} \right) \\
 &= i\beta Q_{\text{zpf}} (\hat{a}_r^\dagger - \hat{a}_r) \otimes \left( \sum_{k,l} \langle k_t | \hat{Q}_t | l_t \rangle |k_t\rangle \langle l_t| \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Recall:  $\hat{Q}_r = iQ_{\text{zpf}} (\hat{a}_r^\dagger - \hat{a}_r)$

$$Q_{\text{zpf}} \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2Z_r}}$$

$$Z_r = \sqrt{\frac{L_r}{C_r}}$$

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# The Transmon Dipole Moment

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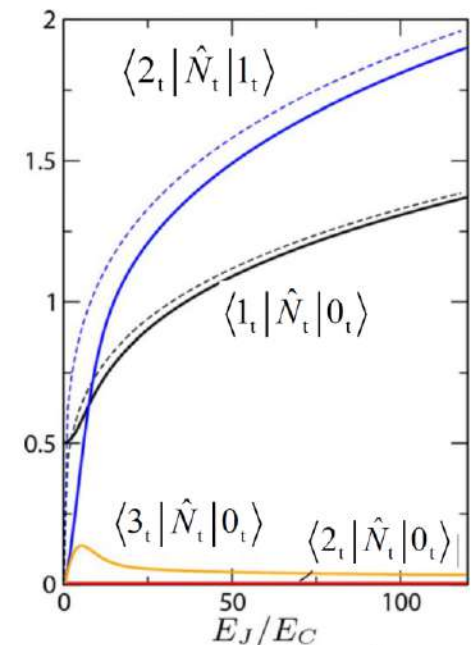
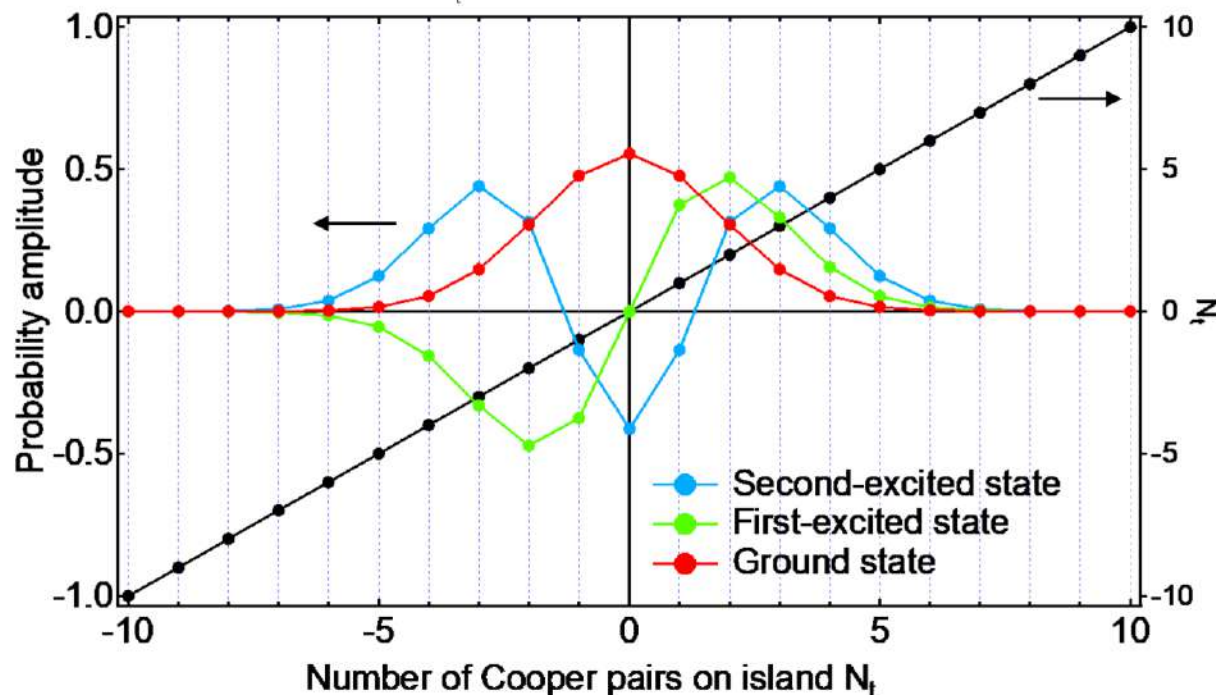
$$D_{kl} = \langle k_t | \hat{Q}_t | l_t \rangle = -2e \langle k_t | \hat{N}_t | l_t \rangle$$

Is the *dipole moment* between transmon levels  $k_t$  and  $l_t$

$$= -2e \left( \sum_{N_t=-\infty}^{\infty} c_{k,N_t}^* \langle N = N_t | \right) \hat{N}_t \left( \sum_{M_t=-\infty}^{\infty} c_{l,M_t} | N = M_t \rangle \right)$$

$$= -2e \sum_{N_t=-\infty}^{\infty} c_{k,N_t}^* N_t c_{l,N_t} \quad \text{since } \langle N = N_t | \hat{N}_t | N = M_t \rangle = \delta_{N_t, M_t}$$

The coupling between neighbouring transmon states is the only relevant coupling in the transmon limit



Koch et al., PRA (2007)

Due to the symmetry properties of the transmon eigenstate wavefunctions:

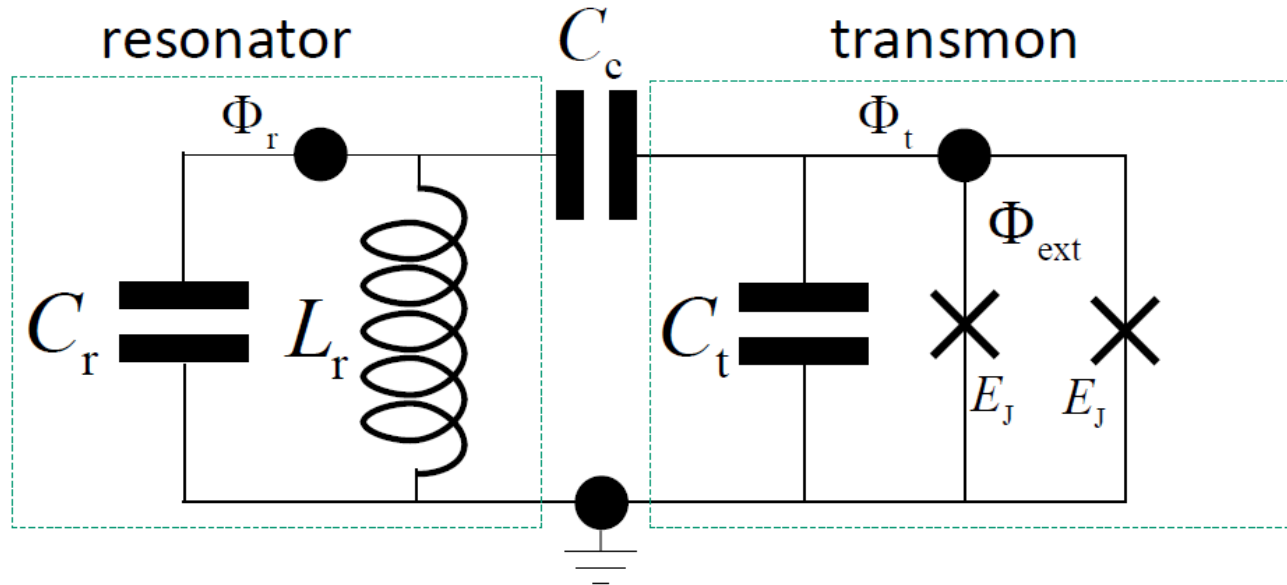
$$\langle k_t | \hat{Q}_t | l_t \rangle = 0 \quad \text{for all levels where } k_t \text{ and } l_t \text{ differ by an even number.}$$

$$\langle k_t | \hat{Q}_t | l_t \rangle \neq 0 \quad \text{for all levels where } k_t \text{ and } l_t \text{ differ by an odd number.}$$

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# Coupling a Resonator to a Transmon

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Let's take a close look at the coupling term:

$$\hat{H}_{\text{coupling}} = i\beta Q_{\text{zpf}} (\hat{a}_r^\dagger - \hat{a}_r) \otimes \left( \sum_{k,l} \langle k_t | \hat{Q}_t | l_t \rangle |k_t\rangle \langle l_t| \right)$$

$$= i\beta Q_{\text{zpf}} (\hat{a}_r^\dagger - \hat{a}_r) \otimes \left( \sum_{|k-l| \text{ odd}} \langle k_t | \hat{Q}_t | l_t \rangle |k_t\rangle \langle l_t| \right) \quad \text{Keeping only terms with non-zero dipole moment}$$

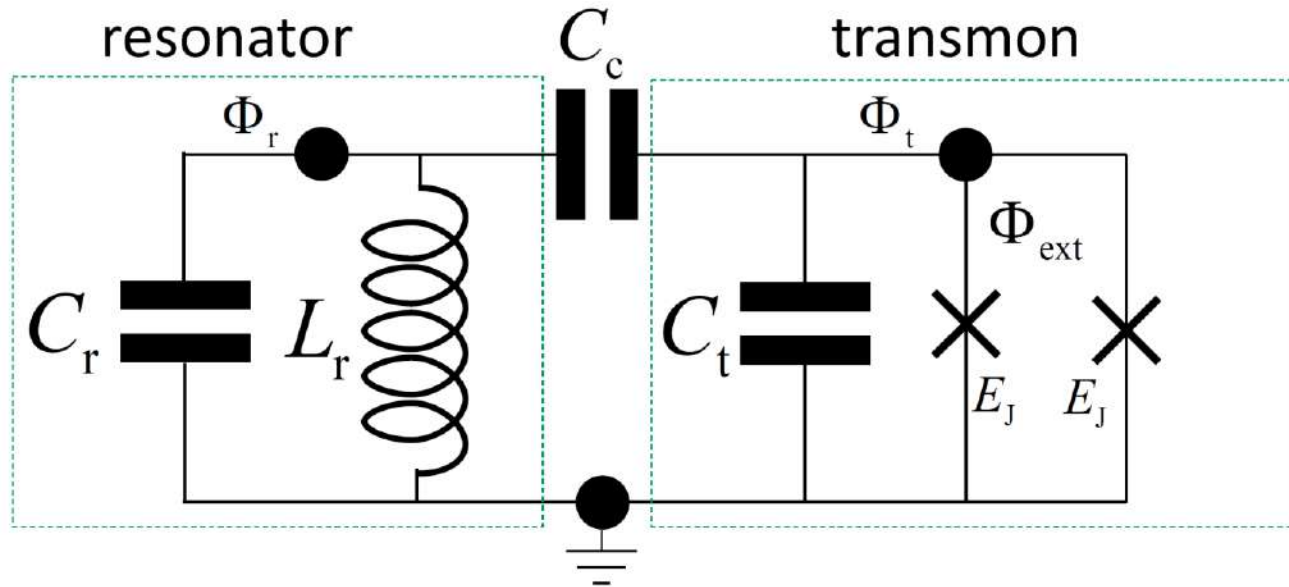
$$= i\beta Q_{\text{zpf}} (\hat{a}_r^\dagger - \hat{a}_r) \otimes \left( \sum_{k>l, \text{ odd } |k-l|} D_{kl} \sigma_{kl}^+ + D_{kl}^* \sigma_{kl}^- \right)$$

$$= i\beta Q_{\text{zpf}} \left( \sum_{k>l, |k-l| \text{ odd}} D_{kl} \hat{a}_r^\dagger \otimes \sigma_{kl}^+ - D_{kl} \hat{a}_r \otimes \sigma_{kl}^+ + D_{kl}^* \hat{a}_r^\dagger \otimes \sigma_{kl}^- - D_{kl}^* \hat{a}_r \otimes \sigma_{kl}^- \right)$$

Ladder operators for the transmon:

$$\sigma_{kl}^+ \equiv |k_t\rangle \langle l_t|$$

$$\sigma_{kl}^- \equiv \sigma_{kl}^{+\dagger} = |l_t\rangle \langle k_t|$$



Next, we will make two approximations:

## Approximation 1: Rotating-wave approximation (RWA)

we neglect the terms  $\hat{a}_r^\dagger \sigma_{kl}^+$  and  $\hat{a}_r \sigma_{kl}^-$ , which do not conserve total excitation number in the resonator + transmon system:


$$\hat{H}_{\text{coupling, RWA}} = i\beta Q_{\text{zpf}} \left( \sum_{k>l, |k-l| \text{ odd}} D_{kl}^* \hat{a}_r^\dagger \otimes \sigma_{kl}^- - D_{kl} \hat{a}_r \otimes \sigma_{kl}^+ \right)$$



**Approximation 2:** We truncate the transmon to the qubit subspace (lowest two energy levels).

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{H}_{\text{transmon}} &= -E_J (\Phi_{\text{ext}}) \cos \left( 2\pi \frac{\hat{\Phi}_t}{\Phi_0} + \varphi(\Phi_{\text{ext}}) \right) + \frac{\hat{Q}_t^2}{2C_{\Sigma t}} \\ &= \sum_k E_k |k_t\rangle \langle k_t|\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{H}_{\text{qubit}} &= E_0 |0_t\rangle \langle 0_t| + E_1 |1_t\rangle \langle 1_t| \\ &= \left( -\frac{E_1 - E_0}{2} + \frac{E_1 + E_0}{2} \right) (|0_t\rangle \langle 0_t|) + \left( \frac{E_1 - E_0}{2} + \frac{E_1 + E_0}{2} \right) |1_t\rangle \langle 1_t| \\ &= -\frac{E_1 - E_0}{2} (|0_t\rangle \langle 0_t| - |1_t\rangle \langle 1_t|) + \frac{E_1 + E_0}{2} (|0_t\rangle \langle 0_t| + |1_t\rangle \langle 1_t|) \\ &= -\frac{\omega_{01}}{2} (|0_t\rangle \langle 0_t| - |1_t\rangle \langle 1_t|) + \frac{E_1 + E_0}{2} (|0_t\rangle \langle 0_t| + |1_t\rangle \langle 1_t|) \\ &= -\frac{\omega_{01}}{2} \hat{\sigma}_z + \text{const}\end{aligned}$$



$$\hat{\sigma}_z \equiv |0_t\rangle \langle 0_t| - |1_t\rangle \langle 1_t|$$

Pauli Z operator

With these two approximations, we arrive at the **Jaynes-Cummings (JC) Hamiltonian!**

$$\hat{H}_{\text{JC}} = \hbar\omega_r \left( \hat{a}_r^\dagger \hat{a}_r + \frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{\hbar\omega_{01}}{2} \hat{\sigma}_z + \hbar g \hat{a}_r^\dagger \hat{\sigma}_- + \hbar g^* \hat{a}_r \hat{\sigma}_+$$

$\hat{\sigma}_+ \equiv |1_t\rangle\langle 0_t|$   
 $\hat{\sigma}_- \equiv |0_t\rangle\langle 1_t|$   
 $D \equiv D_{10}$

where  $g \equiv \frac{i\beta Q_{\text{zpf}} D^*}{\hbar}$  is called the vacuum-Rabi coupling constant

Note: most textbooks present the JC Hamiltonian as

$$\hat{H}_{\text{JC}} = \hbar\omega_r \left( \hat{a}_r^\dagger \hat{a}_r + \frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{\hbar\omega_{01}}{2} \hat{\sigma}_z + \hbar g (\hat{a}_r^\dagger \hat{\sigma}_- + \hat{a}_r \hat{\sigma}_+)$$

with real-valued, positive  $g$ . This can be done by absorbing the phase of  $g = |g|e^{i\theta_g}$  into the definition of  $|1_t\rangle$ :  $|1_t\rangle \rightarrow e^{-i\theta_g} |1_t\rangle$

# The Jaynes-Cummings Hamiltonian

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$$\hat{H}_{\text{JC}} = \hbar\omega_r \left( \hat{a}_r^\dagger \hat{a}_r + \frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{\hbar\omega_{01}}{2} \hat{\sigma}_z + \hbar g (\hat{a}_r^\dagger \hat{\sigma}_- + \hat{a}_r \hat{\sigma}_+)$$

e.g., 2 photons in resonator  
and qubit in ground state



In the composite basis of resonator and transmon eigenstates:

$|0_r 0_t\rangle, |0_r 1_t\rangle, |1_r 0_t\rangle, |2_r 0_t\rangle, |1_r 1_t\rangle, |3_r 0_t\rangle, |2_r 1_t\rangle, \dots$

1-excitation manifold    2-excitation manifold    3-excitation manifold

$$H_{\text{JC}} \doteq \hbar \begin{pmatrix} \boxed{0} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & \boxed{\omega_r} & g & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \\ 0 & g & \boxed{\omega_{01}} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \boxed{2\omega_r} & \sqrt{2}g & 0 & 0 & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \sqrt{2}g & \boxed{\omega_r + \omega_{01}} & 0 & 0 & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \boxed{3\omega_r} & \sqrt{3}g & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \sqrt{3}g & \boxed{2\omega_r + \omega_{01}} & \\ \vdots & & & & & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix} + \text{constant}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \hbar (\omega_r - \omega_{01})$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \hbar \Delta$$

$$\Delta \equiv \omega_{01} - \omega_r$$

We can will ignore this energy offset moving forward, referencing energies w.r.t. ground state

The block diagonal form makes it easy to find the eigenstates and their energies!

We only need to work with 2x2 matrices!

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# JC Hamiltonian: 1-excitation manifold

$$H_{\text{JC},1} \doteq \hbar \begin{pmatrix} \omega_r & g \\ g & \omega_{01} \end{pmatrix}$$

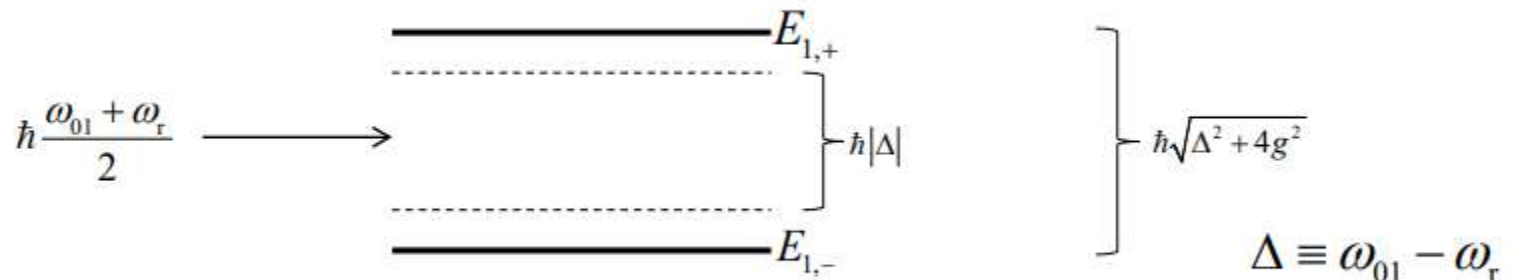
Finding the energy:

$$\det(H_{\text{JC},1} - E_1 I) = \det \left( \begin{pmatrix} \hbar\omega_r - E_1 & \hbar g \\ \hbar g & \hbar\omega_{01} - E_1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = E_1^2 - \hbar(\omega_r + \omega_{01})E_1 + \hbar^2(\omega_r\omega_{01} - g^2) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow E_{1,\pm} = \hbar \left( \frac{\omega_{01} + \omega_r}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(\omega_{01} - \omega_r)^2 + 4g^2} \right)$$

Recall quadratic formula:

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

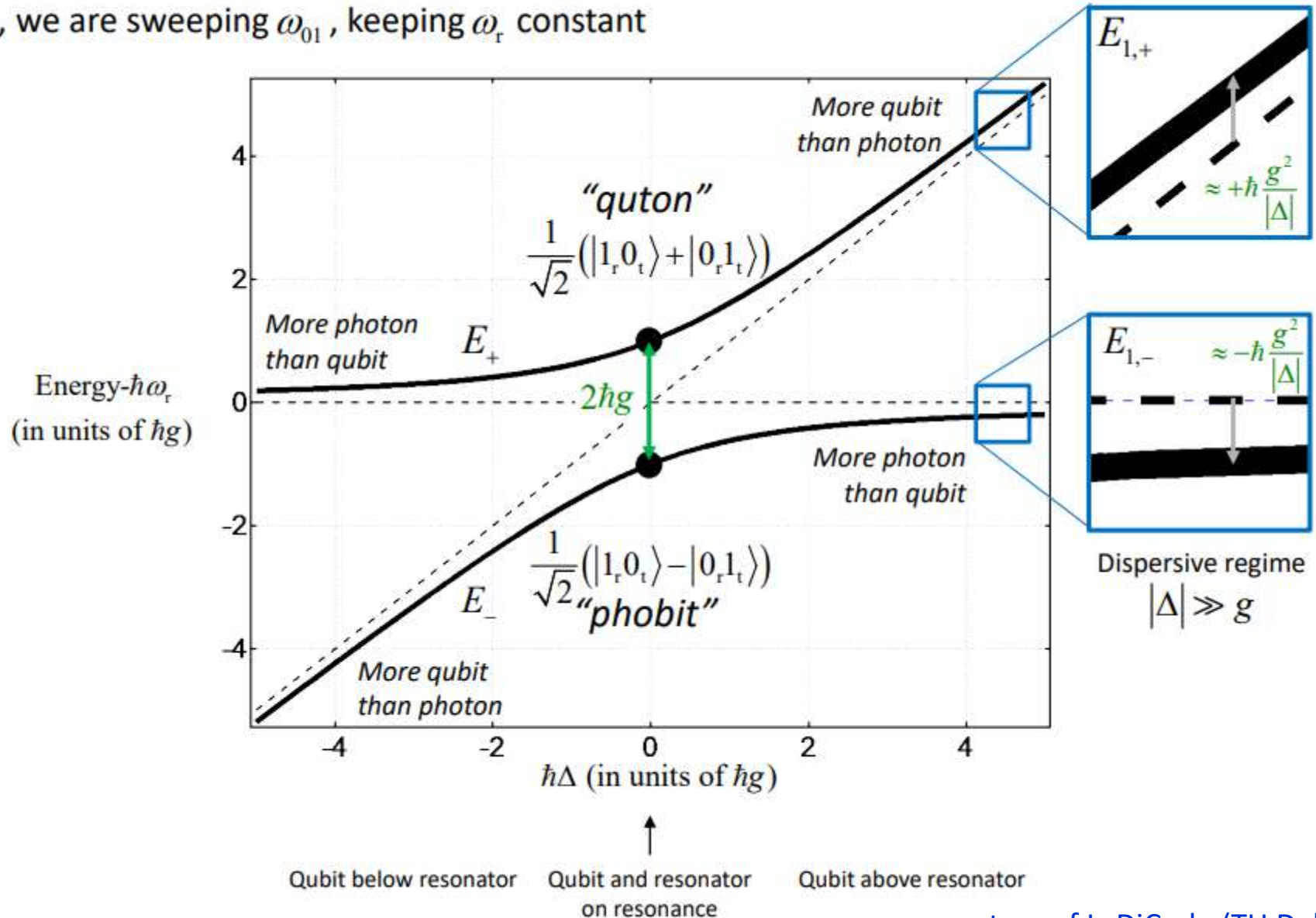


The coupling  $g$  symmetrically *repels* the levels away from each other

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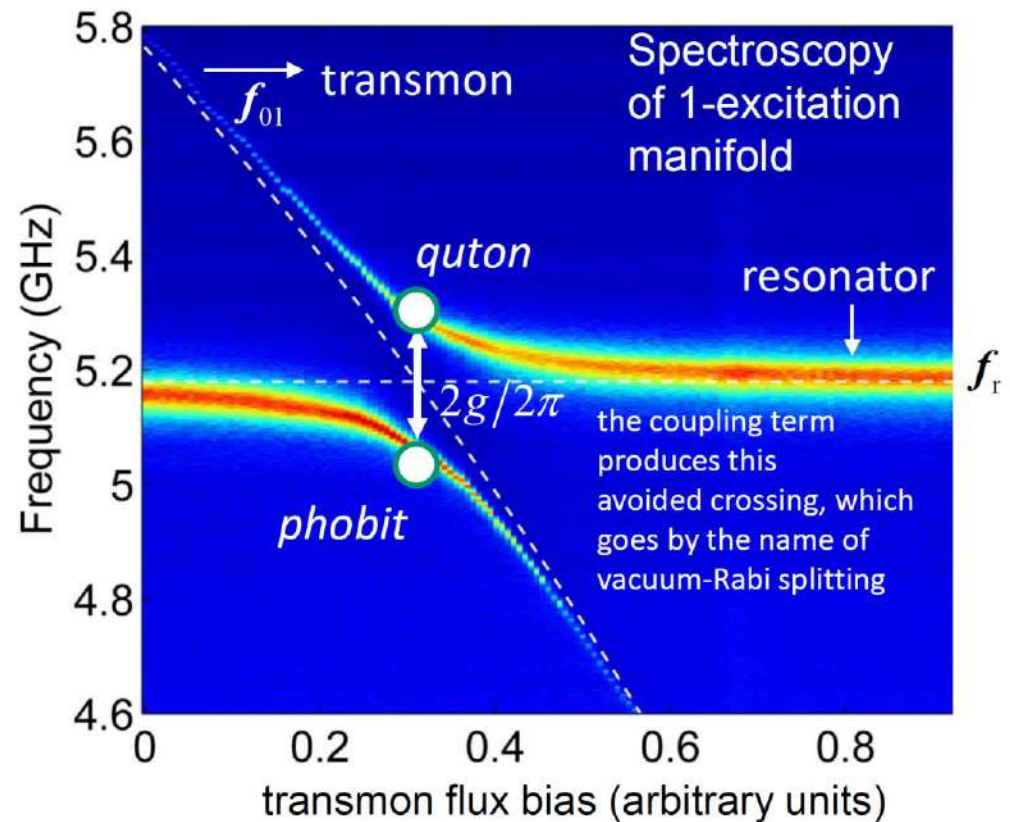
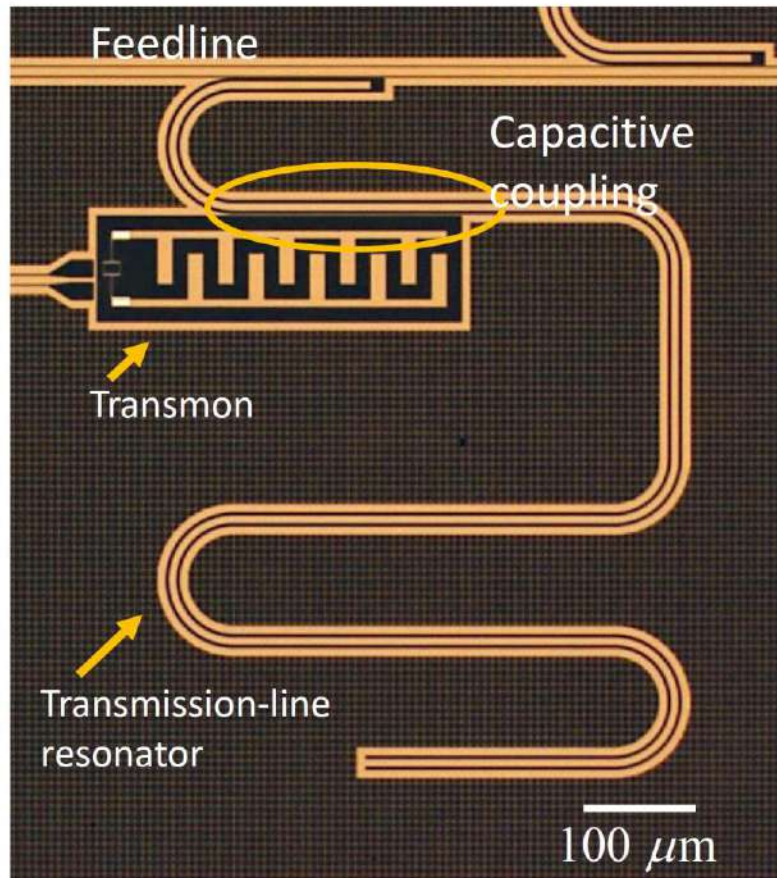
# JC Hamiltonian: 1-excitation manifold

Here, we are sweeping  $\omega_{01}$ , keeping  $\omega_r$  constant





# Observation of the vacuum Rabi splitting with electrical circuits



Data: A.A. Houck, D. I. Schuster et al.,  
Nature (2007)

$$\text{"quton"} \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|1_r 0_t\rangle + |0_r 1_t\rangle)$$

$$\text{"phobit"} \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|1_r 0_t\rangle - |0_r 1_t\rangle)$$

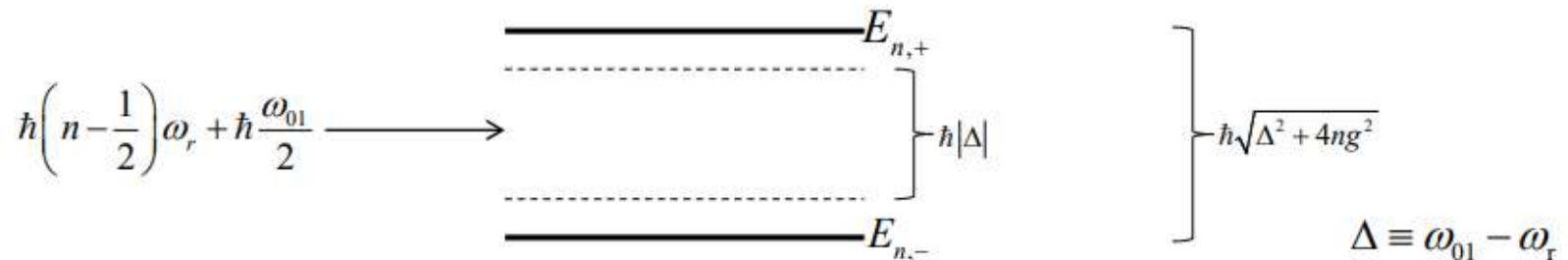
# JC Hamiltonian: $n$ -excitation manifold

$$H_{\text{JC},n} \doteq \hbar \begin{pmatrix} n\omega_r & \sqrt{n}g \\ \sqrt{n}g & (n-1)\omega_r + \omega_{01} \end{pmatrix}$$

Finding the energy:

$$\det(H_{\text{JC},n} - E_n I) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow E_{n,\pm} = \hbar \left( \left( n - \frac{1}{2} \right) \omega_r + \frac{\omega_{01}}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(\omega_{01} - \omega_r)^2 + 4ng^2} \right)$$

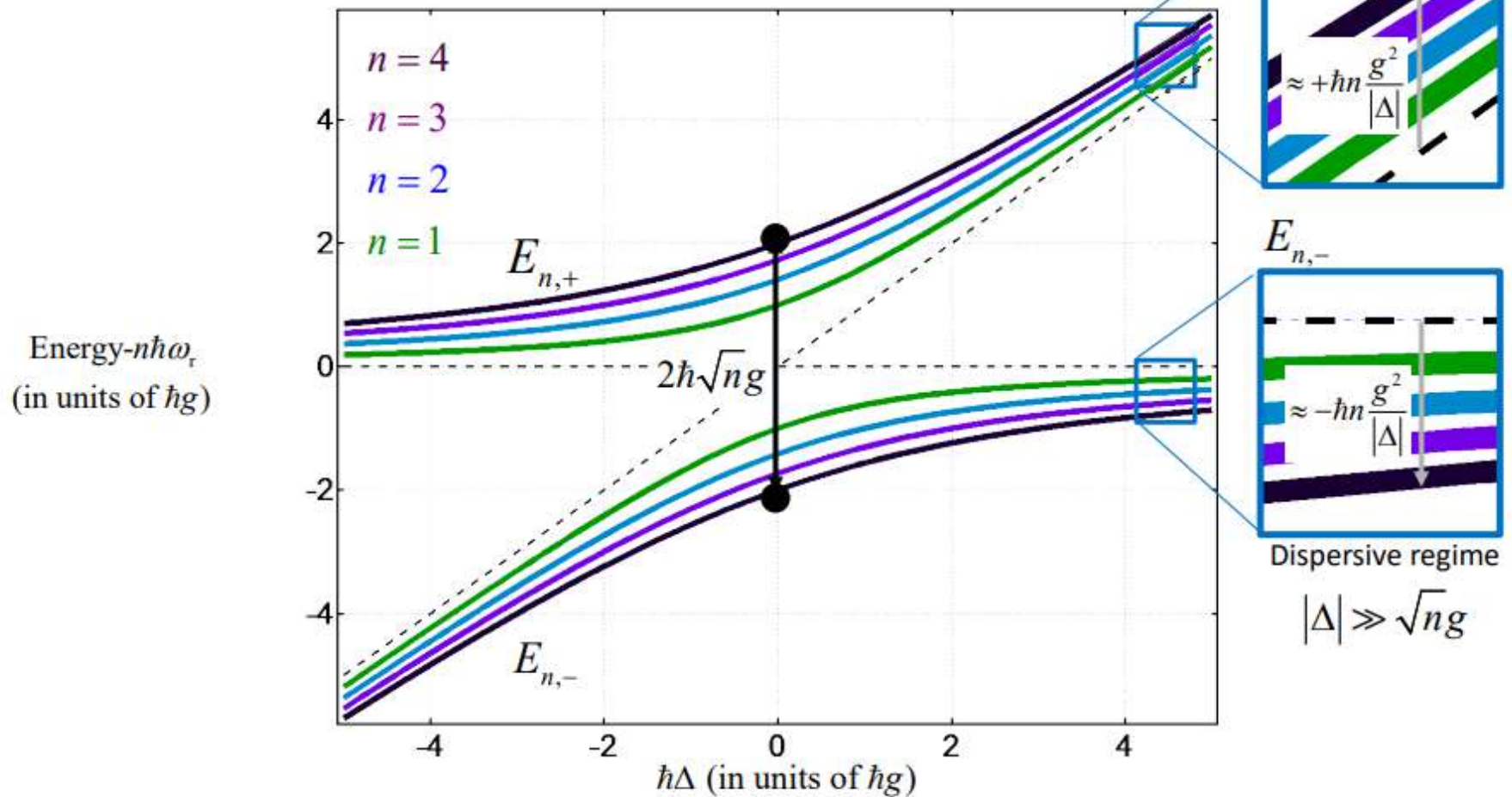


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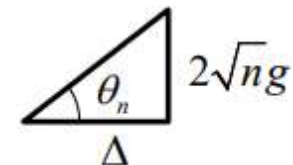
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Here, we are sweeping  $\omega_{01}$ , keeping  $\omega_r$  constant



$$|\psi_{n,+}\rangle = \sin\left(\frac{\theta_n}{2}\right)|n_r 0_t\rangle + \cos\left(\frac{\theta_n}{2}\right)|n-1_r 1_t\rangle$$

$$|\psi_{n,-}\rangle = \cos\left(\frac{\theta_n}{2}\right)|n_r 0_t\rangle - \sin\left(\frac{\theta_n}{2}\right)|n-1_r 1_t\rangle$$



courtesy of L. DiCarlo (TU Delft)



# Spectrum on the JC Hamiltonian **on resonance**

When the resonator and qubit are on resonance:  $\Delta = \omega_{01} - \omega_r = 0$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|3_r 0_t\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|2_r 1_t\rangle \\
 \hline
 3\hbar\omega_r \text{-----} \text{-----} \\
 \hline
 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|3_r 0_t\rangle - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|2_r 1_t\rangle
 \end{array}
 \quad \begin{array}{c} \updownarrow \\ 2\sqrt{3}\hbar g \end{array}
 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{3-excitation} \\ \text{manifold} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|2_r 0_t\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|1_r 1_t\rangle \\
 \hline
 2\hbar\omega_r \text{-----} \text{-----} \\
 \hline
 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|2_r 0_t\rangle - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|1_r 1_t\rangle
 \end{array}
 \quad \begin{array}{c} \updownarrow \\ 2\sqrt{2}\hbar g \end{array}
 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{2-excitation} \\ \text{manifold} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|1_r 0_t\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|0_r 1_t\rangle \\
 \hline
 \hbar\omega_r \text{-----} \text{-----} \\
 \hline
 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|1_r 0_t\rangle - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|0_r 1_t\rangle
 \end{array}
 \quad \begin{array}{c} \updownarrow \\ 2\hbar g \end{array}
 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{1-excitation} \\ \text{manifold} \end{array}$$

Energy



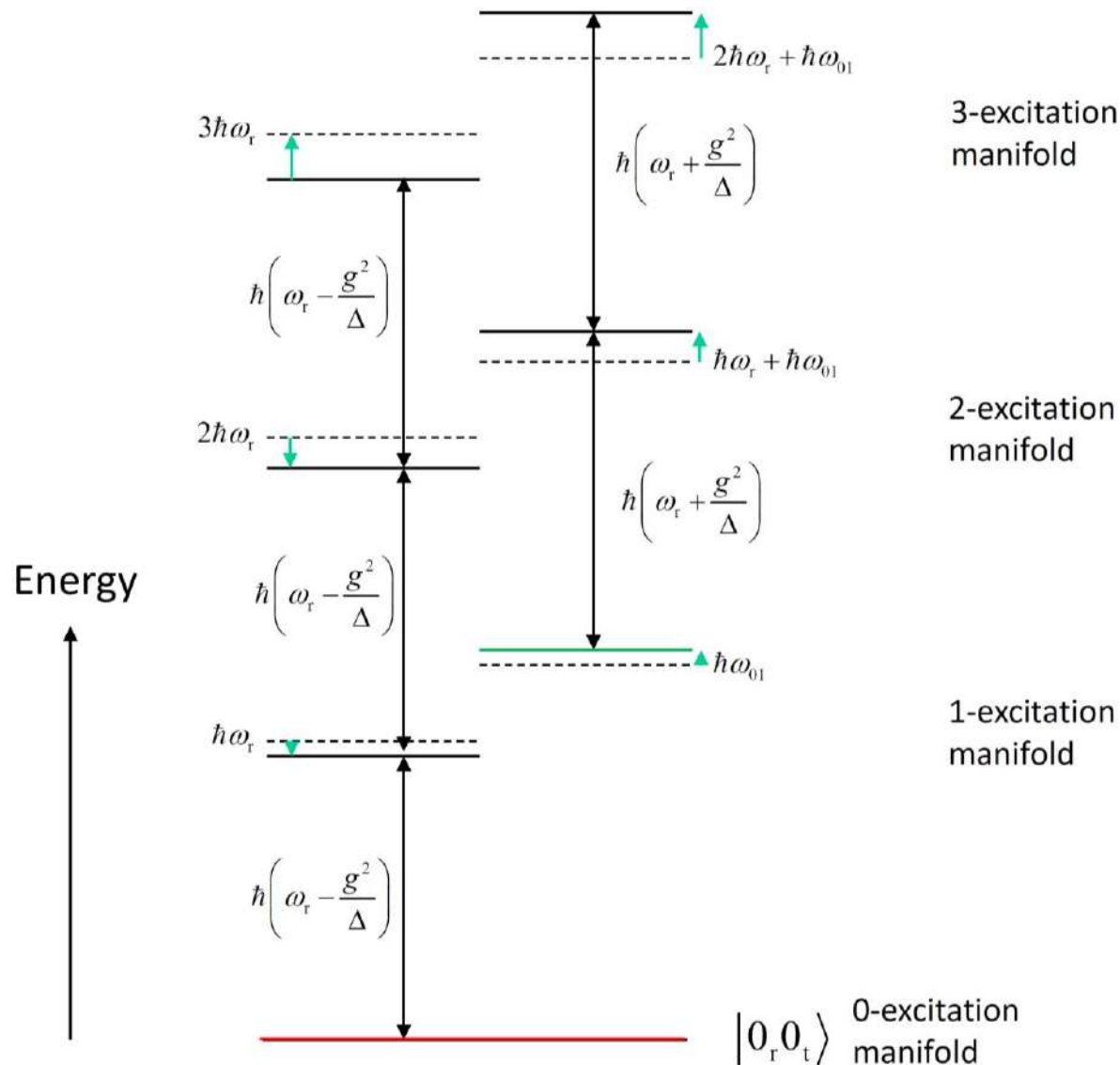
$$\begin{array}{c}
 |0_r 0_t\rangle \\
 \hline
 \text{0-excitation manifold}
 \end{array}$$

- The interaction term fully hybridizes the two levels in each manifold.

- The eigenstates in the  $n$ -th excitation manifold consist of the symmetric and antisymmetric superpositions of  $|n_r 0_t\rangle$  and  $|(n-1)_r 1_t\rangle$ .

# Spectrum on the JC Hamiltonian in dispersive regime

In the dispersive regime:  $|\Delta| \gg g$



- In the dispersive regime, there are two (approximately) harmonic ladders.

- The transition frequencies in these ladders are

$$\omega_r \pm \frac{g^2}{\Delta}$$

# Strong coupling regime with superconducting qubits

$$g = 2e\delta V_0 (C_g / C) \langle 0 | \hat{n} | 1 \rangle$$

GEOMETRICAL dependence of  $g$

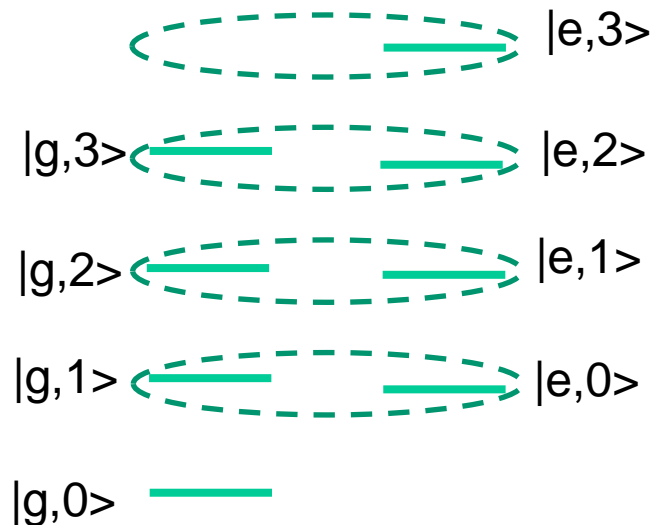
→ Easily tuned by circuit design  
Can be made very large !  
(Typically : 0 – 200MHz)

$$g \approx 200 \text{ MHz} \gg \gamma, \kappa \approx 10 - 500 \text{ kHz}$$

**Strong coupling condition naturally fulfilled  
with superconducting circuits**

( $Q=100$  enough for strong coupling !!)

# The Jaynes-Cummings model



$$H_{J-C} = -\frac{\omega_{ge}}{2} \sigma_z + \omega_c (a^\dagger a + 1/2) + g(\sigma^+ a + \sigma^- a^\dagger)$$

$H_{J-C}$  couples only level doublets

$$\{ |g, n+1\rangle, |e, n\rangle \}$$

➡ Exact diagonalization possible

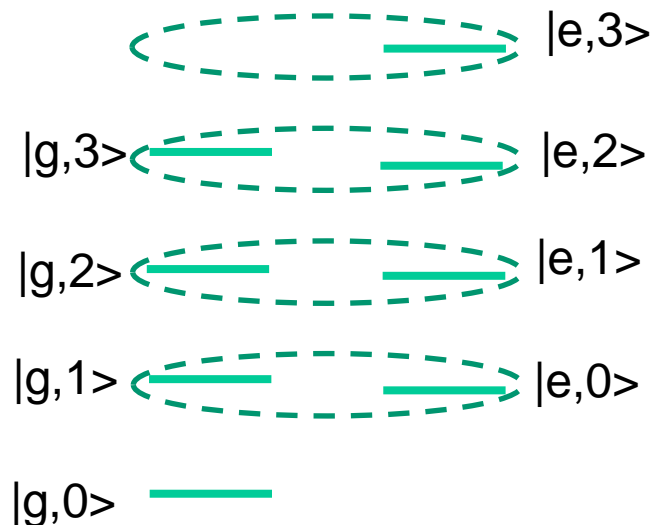
Restriction of  $H_{J-C}$  to  $\{ |g, n+1\rangle, |e, n\rangle \}$

$$(\delta = \omega_{ge} - \omega_c)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} |g, n+1\rangle \\ |e, n\rangle \end{array} \begin{pmatrix} (n+1)\omega_c - \delta/2 & g\sqrt{n+1} \\ g\sqrt{n+1} & (n+1)\omega_c + \delta/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note :  $|g, 0\rangle$  state is left unchanged by  $H_{J-C}$  with  $E_{g,0} = -\delta/2$

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Coupled states

$$(\delta = \omega_{ge} - \omega_c)$$

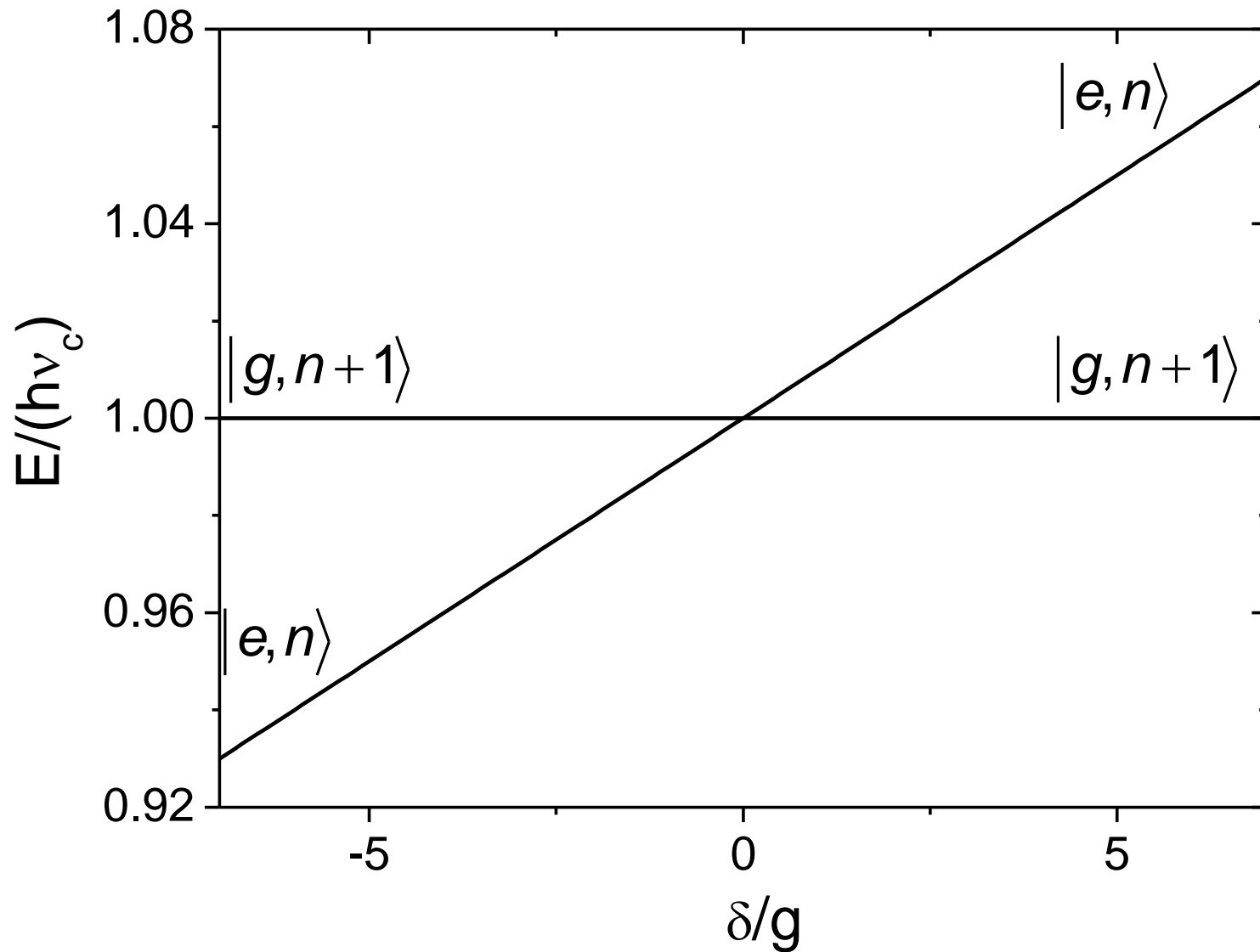
$$|+, n\rangle = \cos \theta_n |e, n\rangle + \sin \theta_n |g, n+1\rangle \quad E_{+,n} = (n+1)\hbar\omega_c + \frac{\hbar}{2} \sqrt{4g^2(n+1) + \delta^2}$$

$$|-, n\rangle = -\sin \theta_n |e, n\rangle + \cos \theta_n |g, n+1\rangle \quad E_{-,n} = (n+1)\hbar\omega_c - \frac{\hbar}{2} \sqrt{4g^2(n+1) + \delta^2}$$

$$\theta_n = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{2g\sqrt{n+1}}{\delta} \right)$$

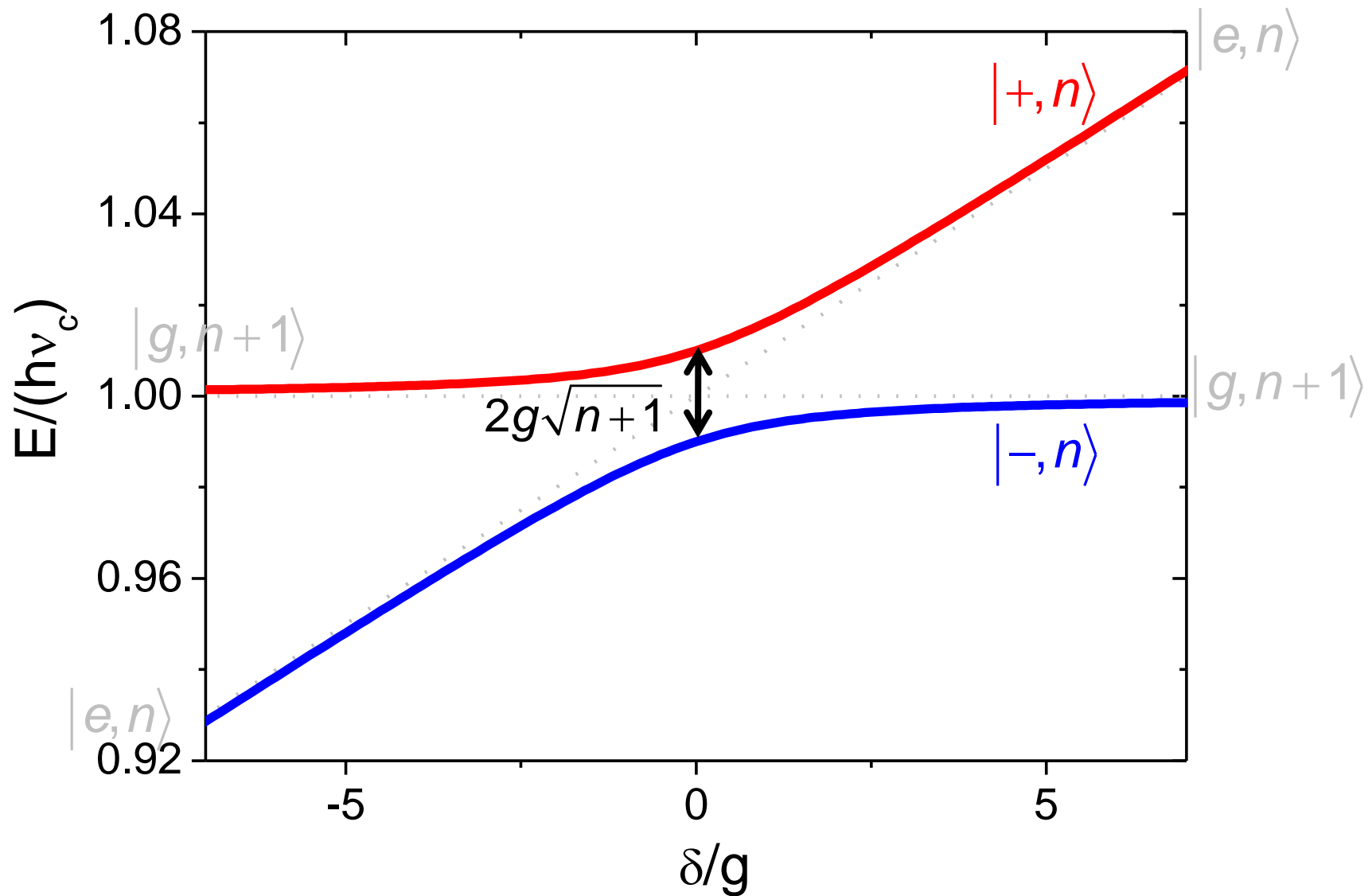
# The Jaynes-Cummings model

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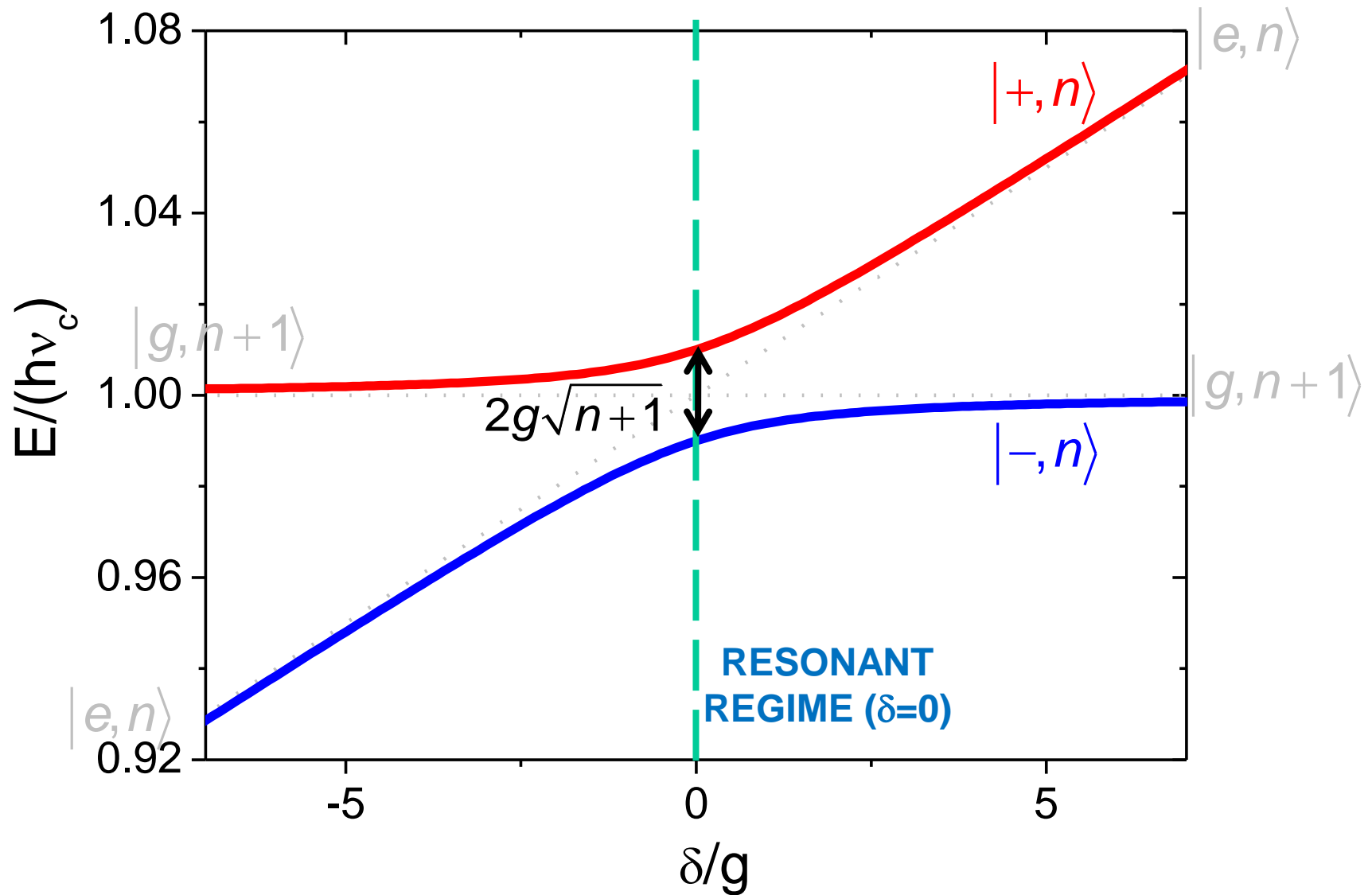


# The Jaynes-Cummings model

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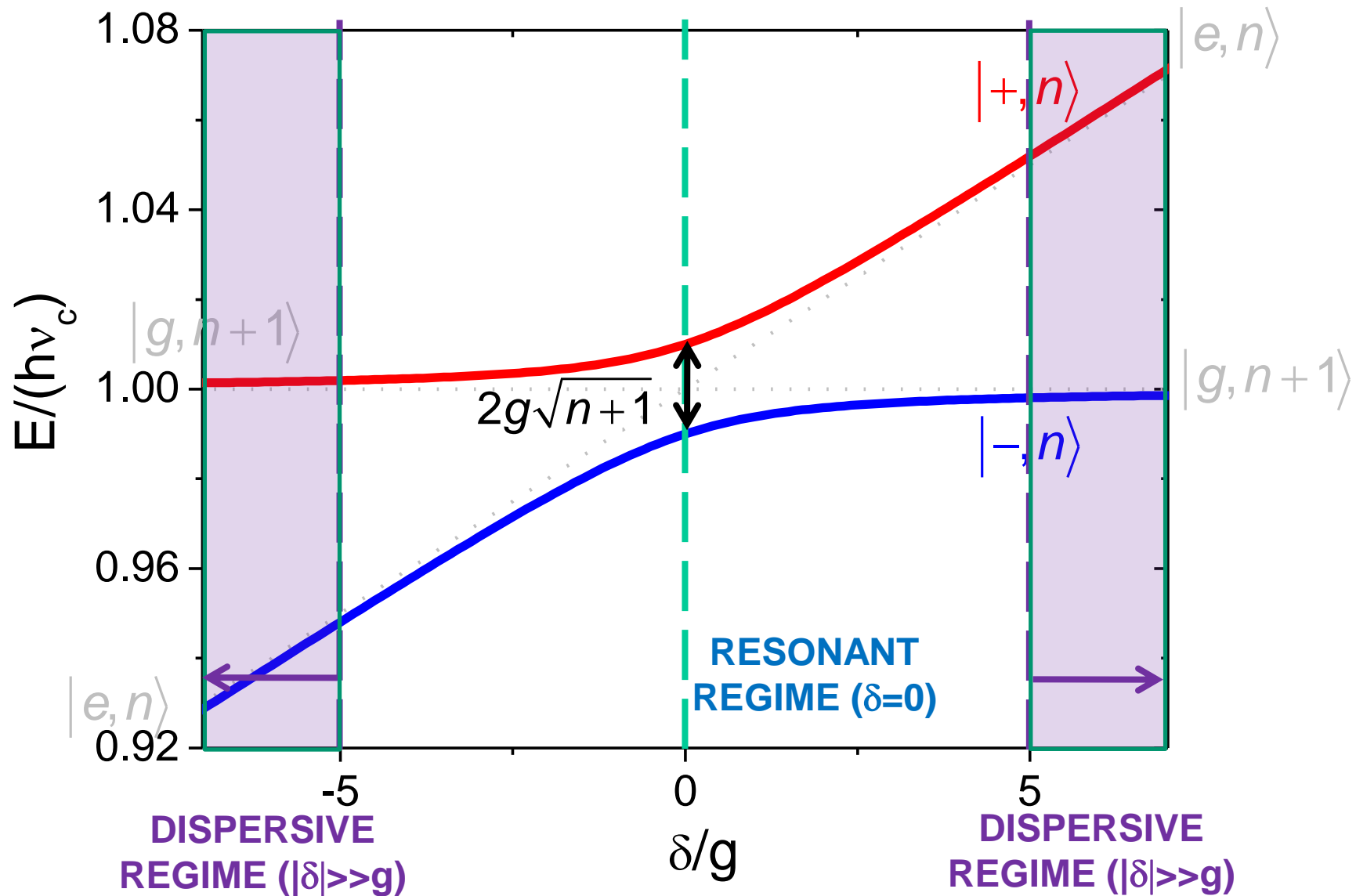


# Two interesting limits

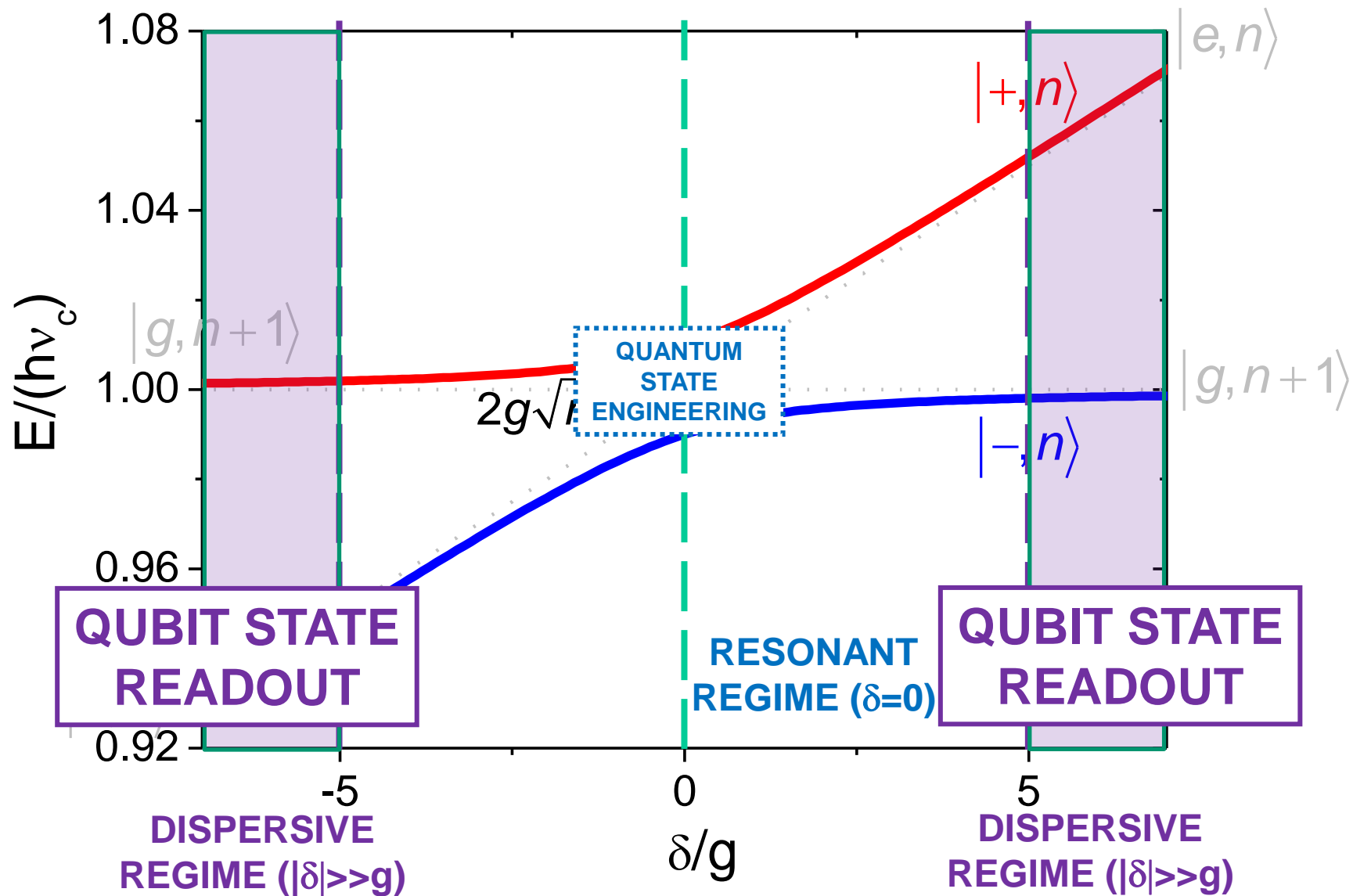




# Two interesting limits



# Two interesting limits



# The Jaynes-Cummings model : dispersive interaction $\delta \gg g$

$$H_{J-C} / \hbar \approx -\frac{\omega_{ge} + \chi}{2} \sigma_z + (\omega_c + \chi \sigma_z) a^\dagger a = -\frac{\omega_{ge} + 2\chi(a^\dagger a + 1/2)}{2} \sigma_z + \omega_c a^\dagger a$$

with  $\chi = \frac{g^2}{\delta}$  the dispersive coupling constant

1) Qubit state-dependent **shift of the cavity frequency**

$$\tilde{\omega}_c = \omega_c + \chi \sigma_z$$

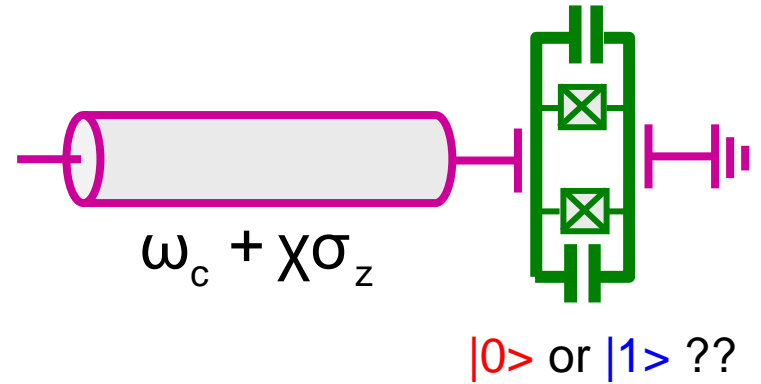
➡ **Cavity can probe the qubit state non-destructively**

2) **Light shift** of the qubit transition in the presence of n photons

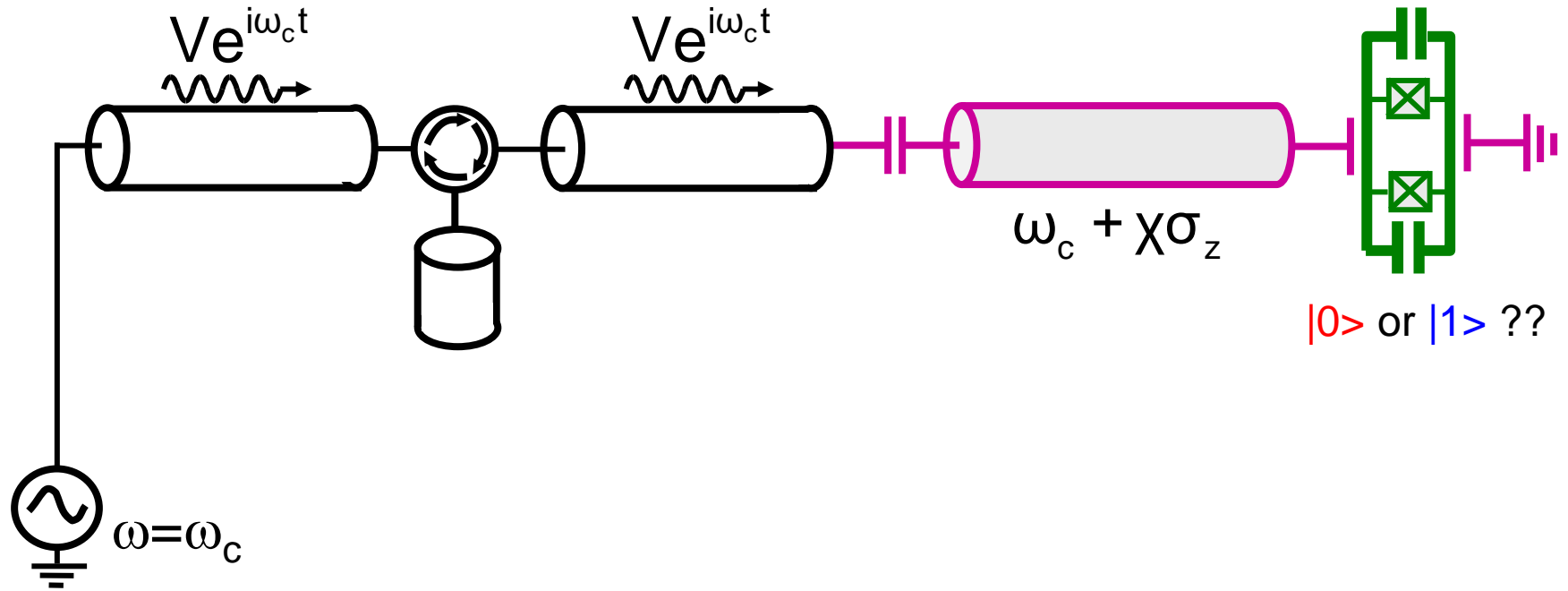
$$\delta\omega_{ge} = -2\chi n$$

➡ **Field in the resonator causes qubit frequency shift and decoherence**

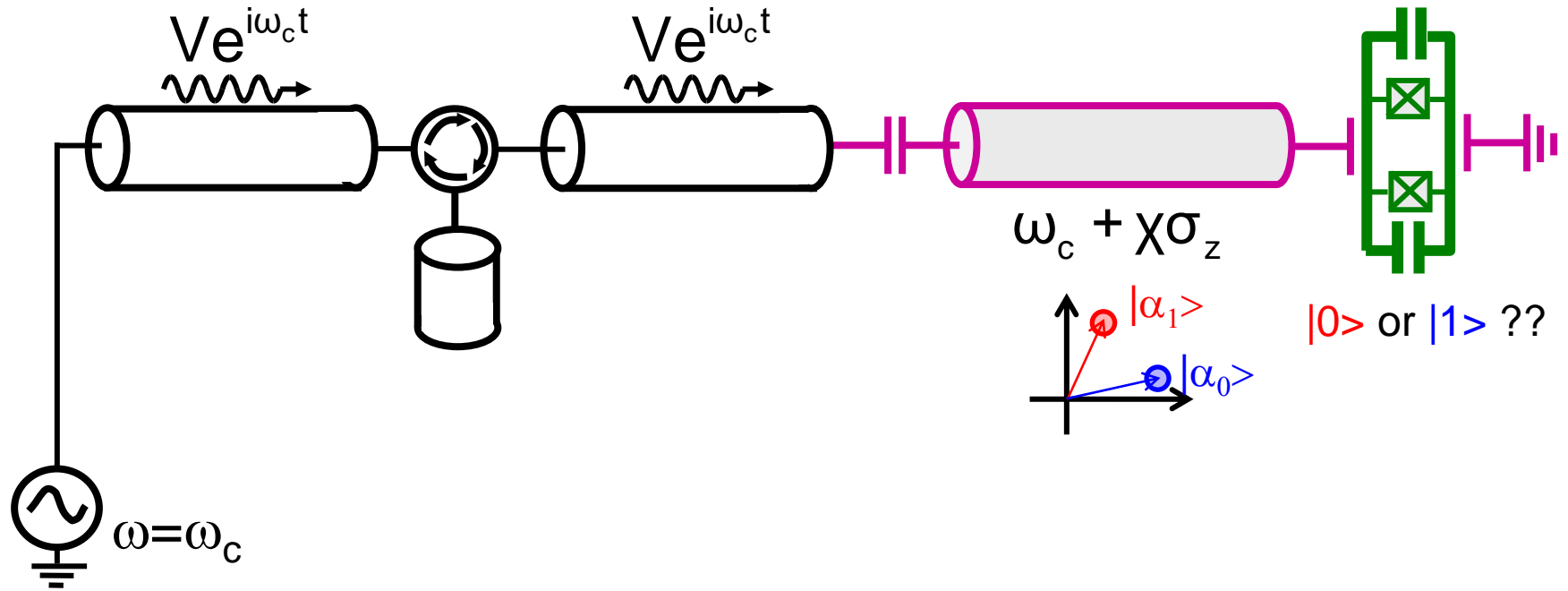
# Dispersive readout of a transmon: principle



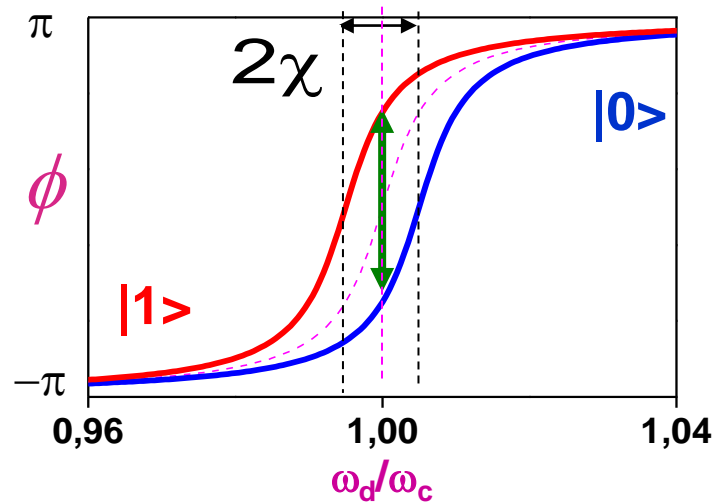
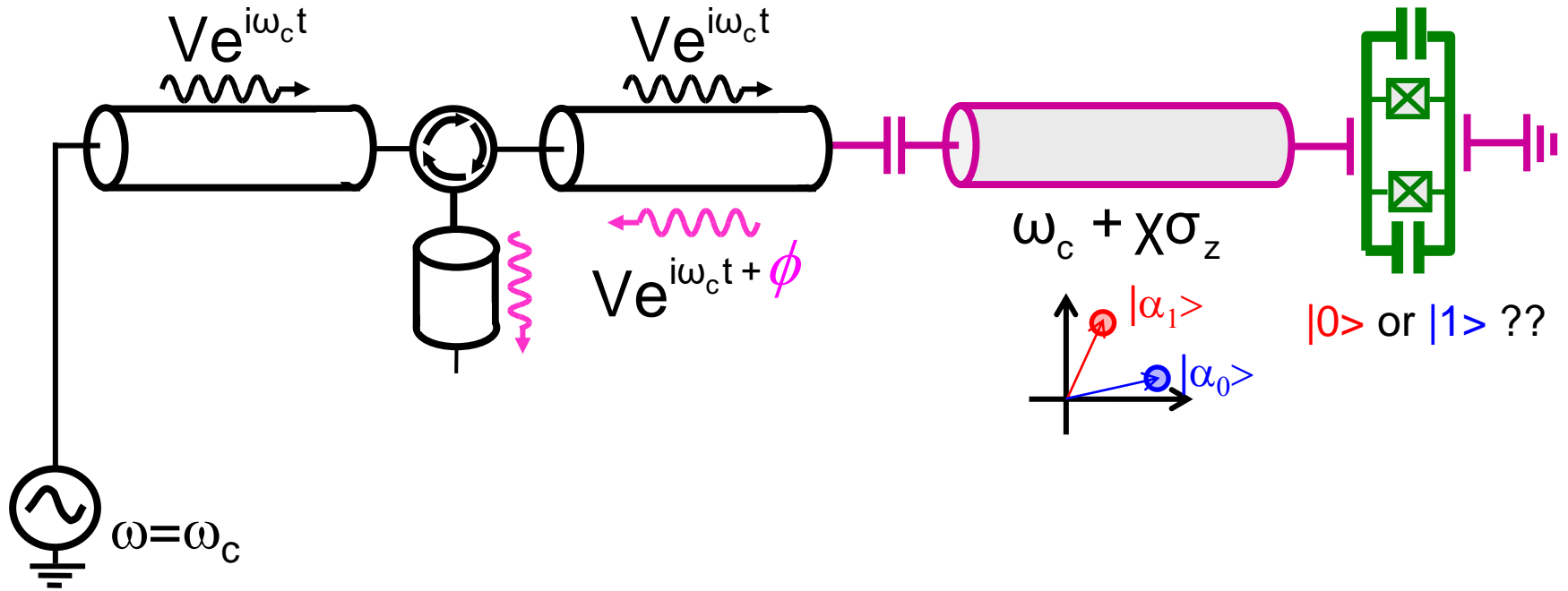
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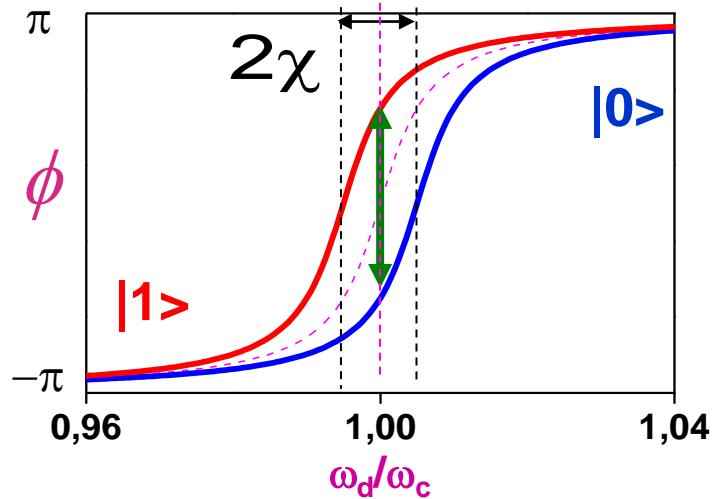
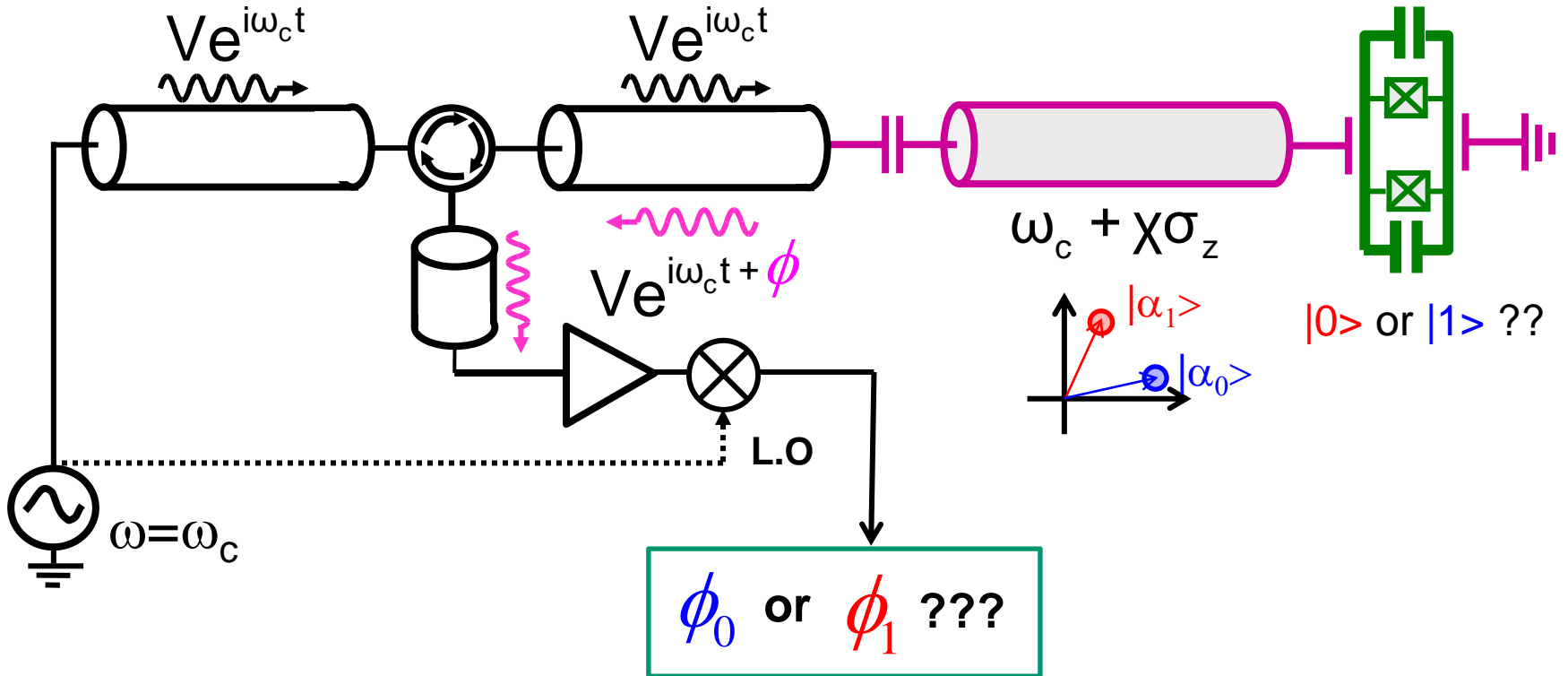
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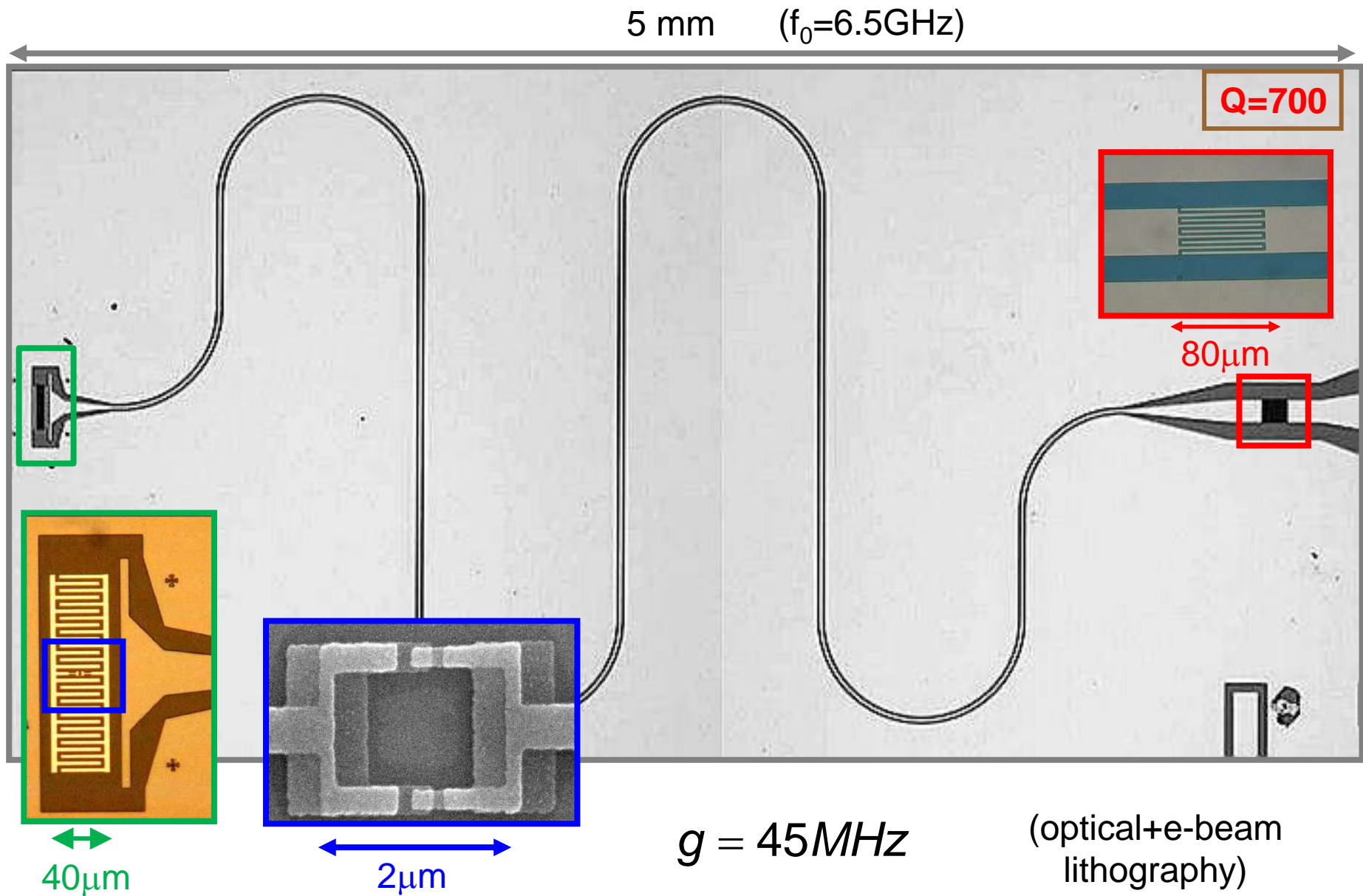


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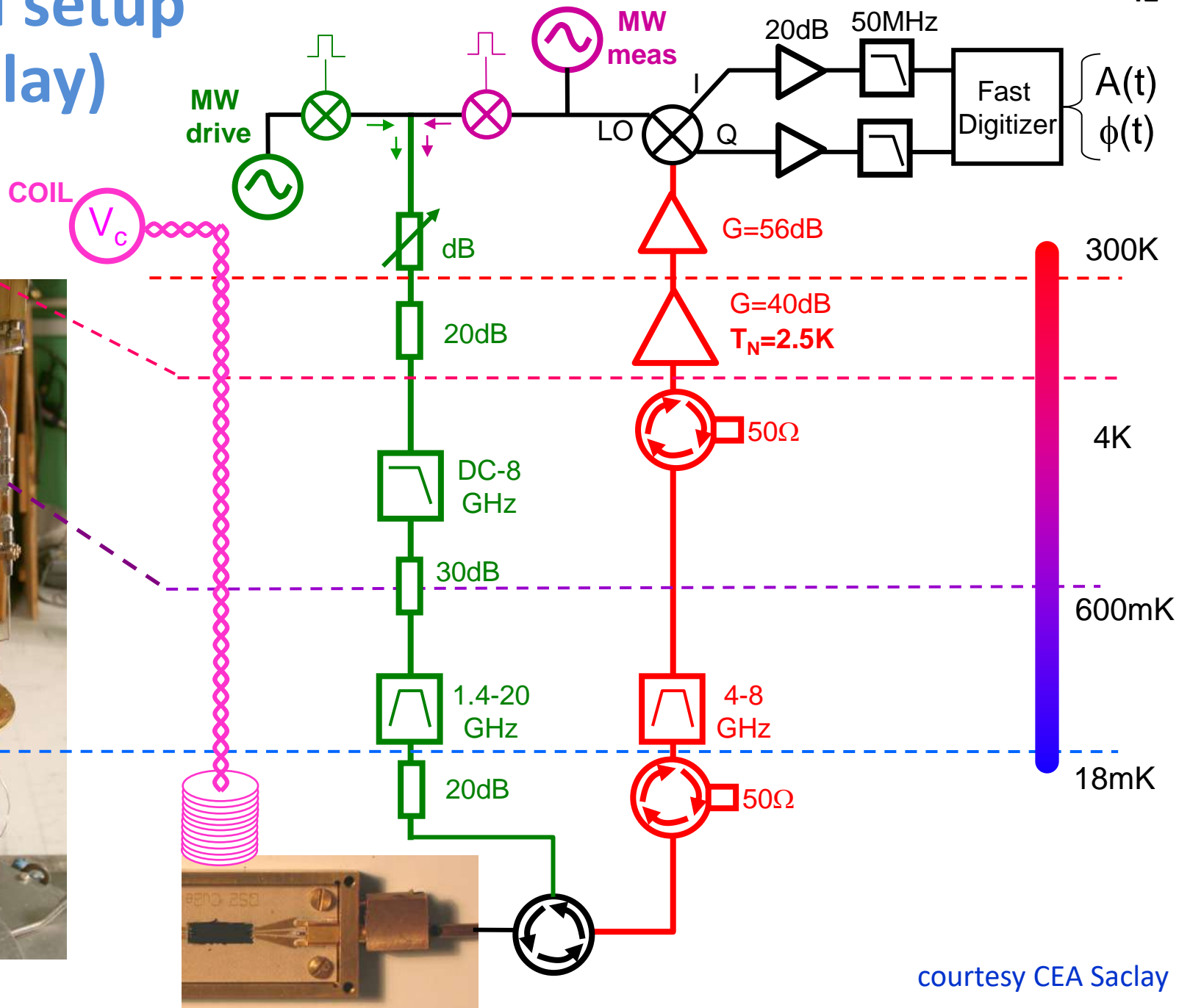
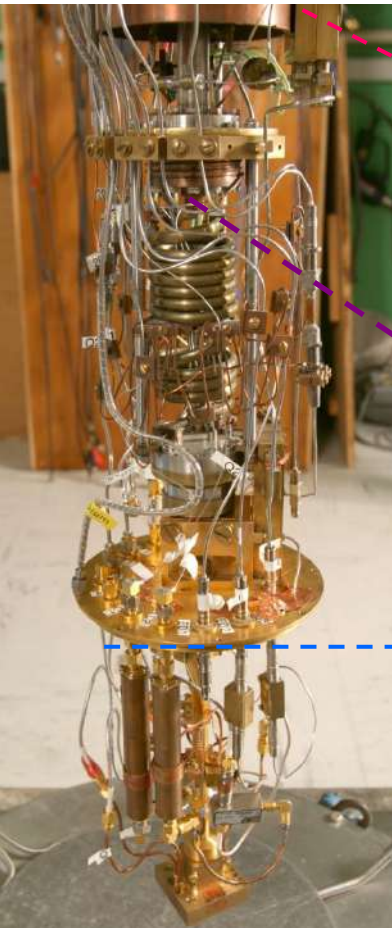


# Typical implementation (Saclay)



courtesy CEA Saclay

# Typical setup (Saclay)



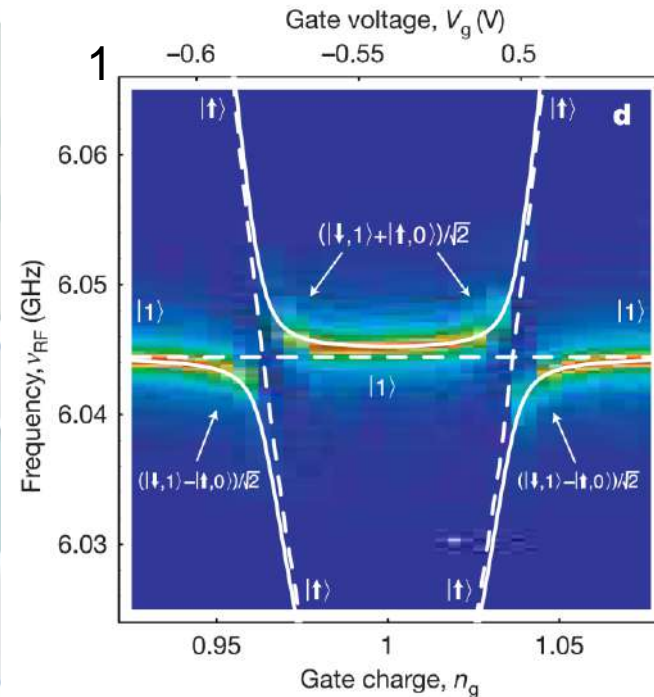
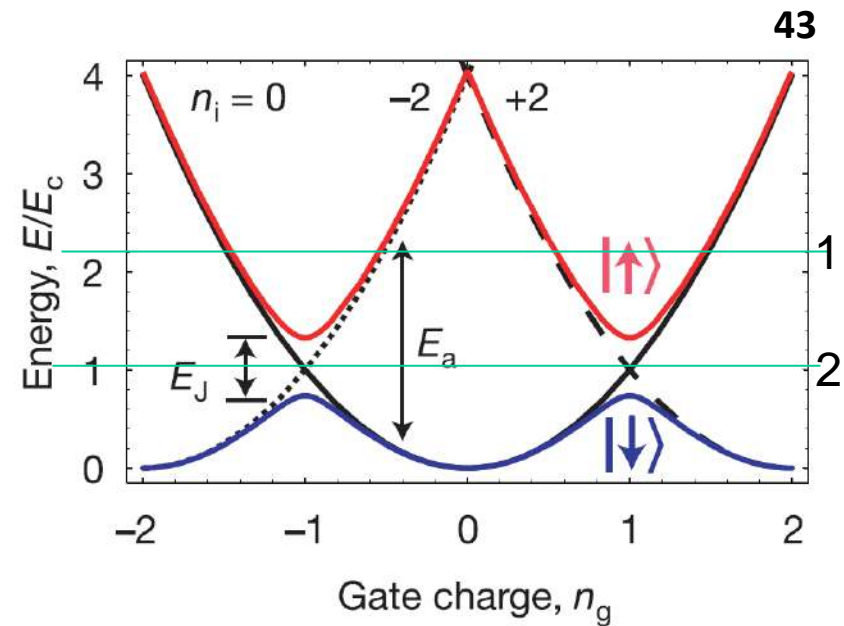
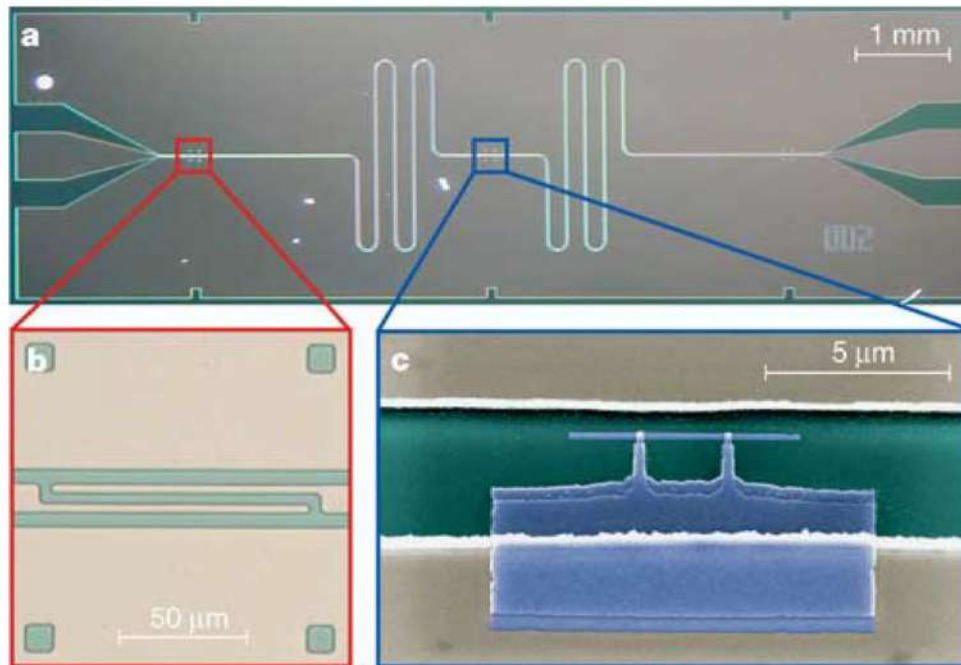
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# Strong coupling of a single photon to a superconducting qubit using circuit quantum electrodynamics

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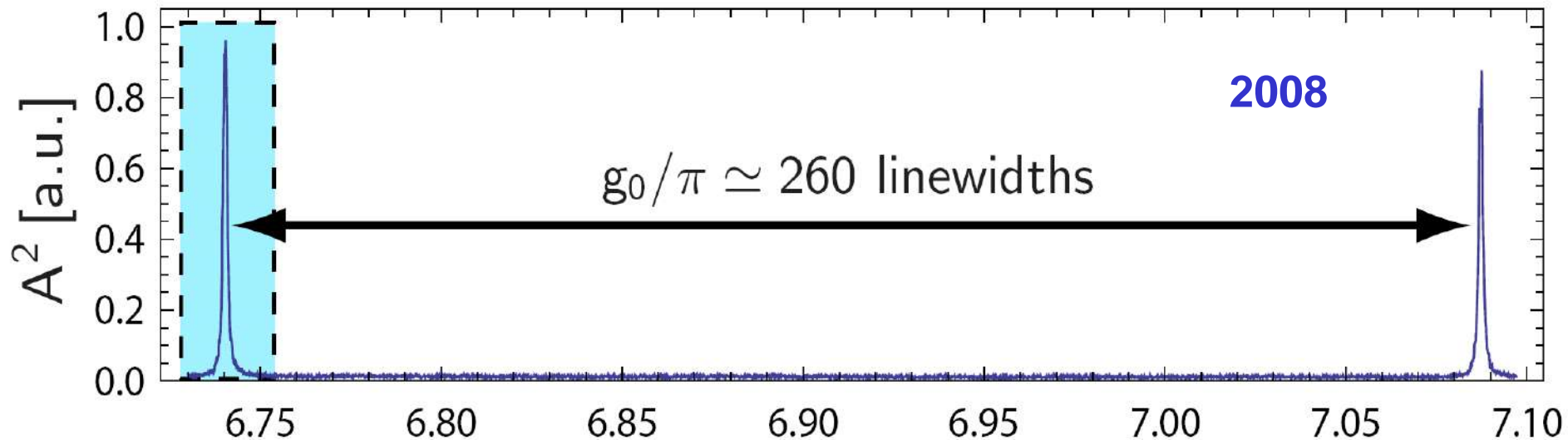
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# Observation of the vacuum Rabi splitting with electrical circuits

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## cavity QED

R.J. Thompson et al., PRL **68**, 1132 (1992)

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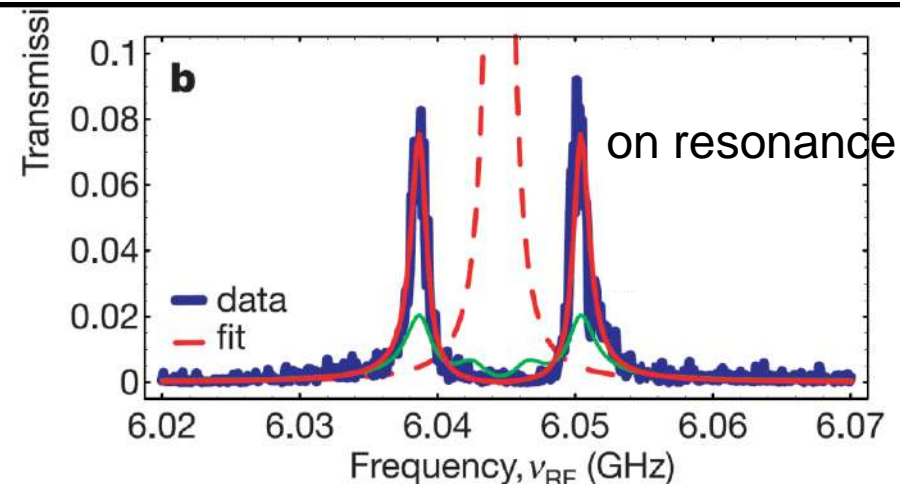
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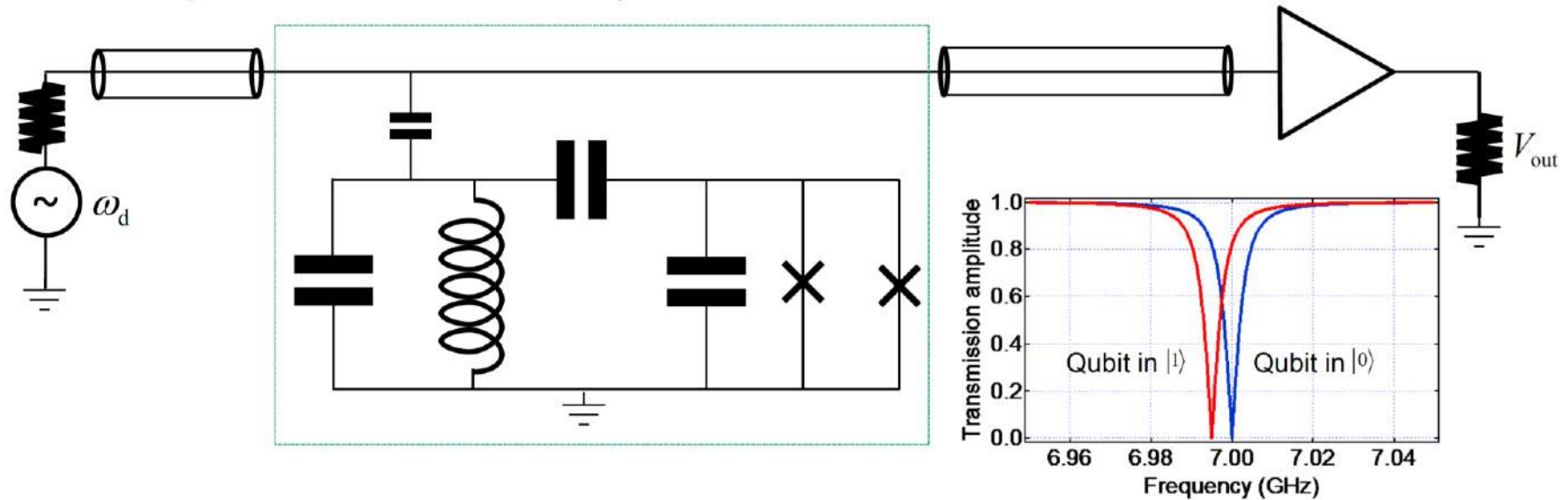


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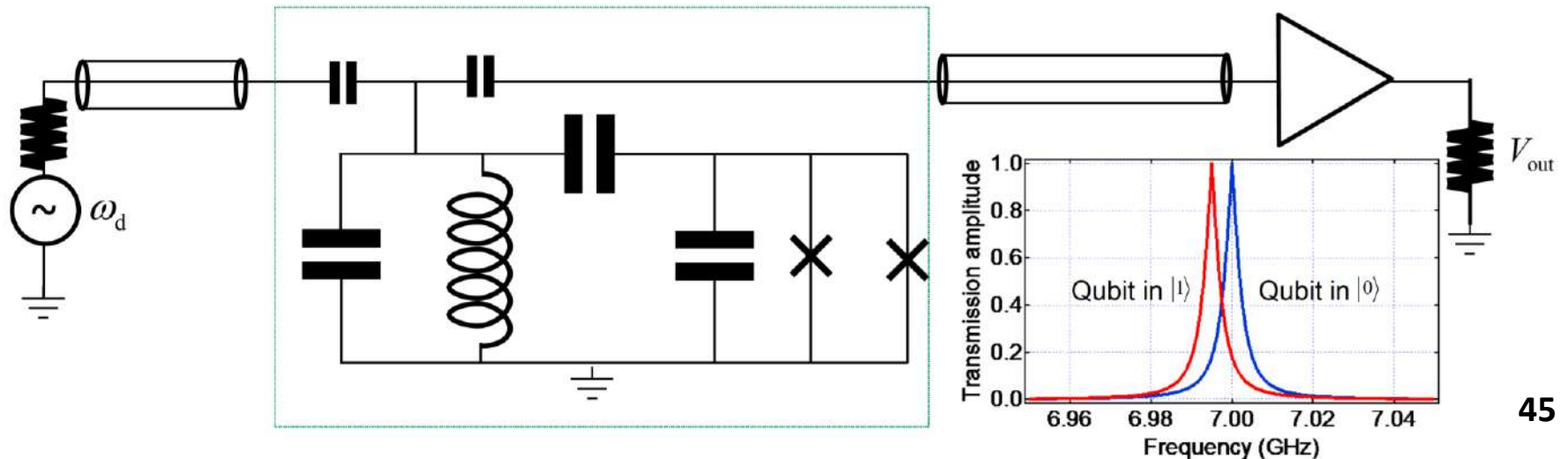


# Different ways to measure a qubit

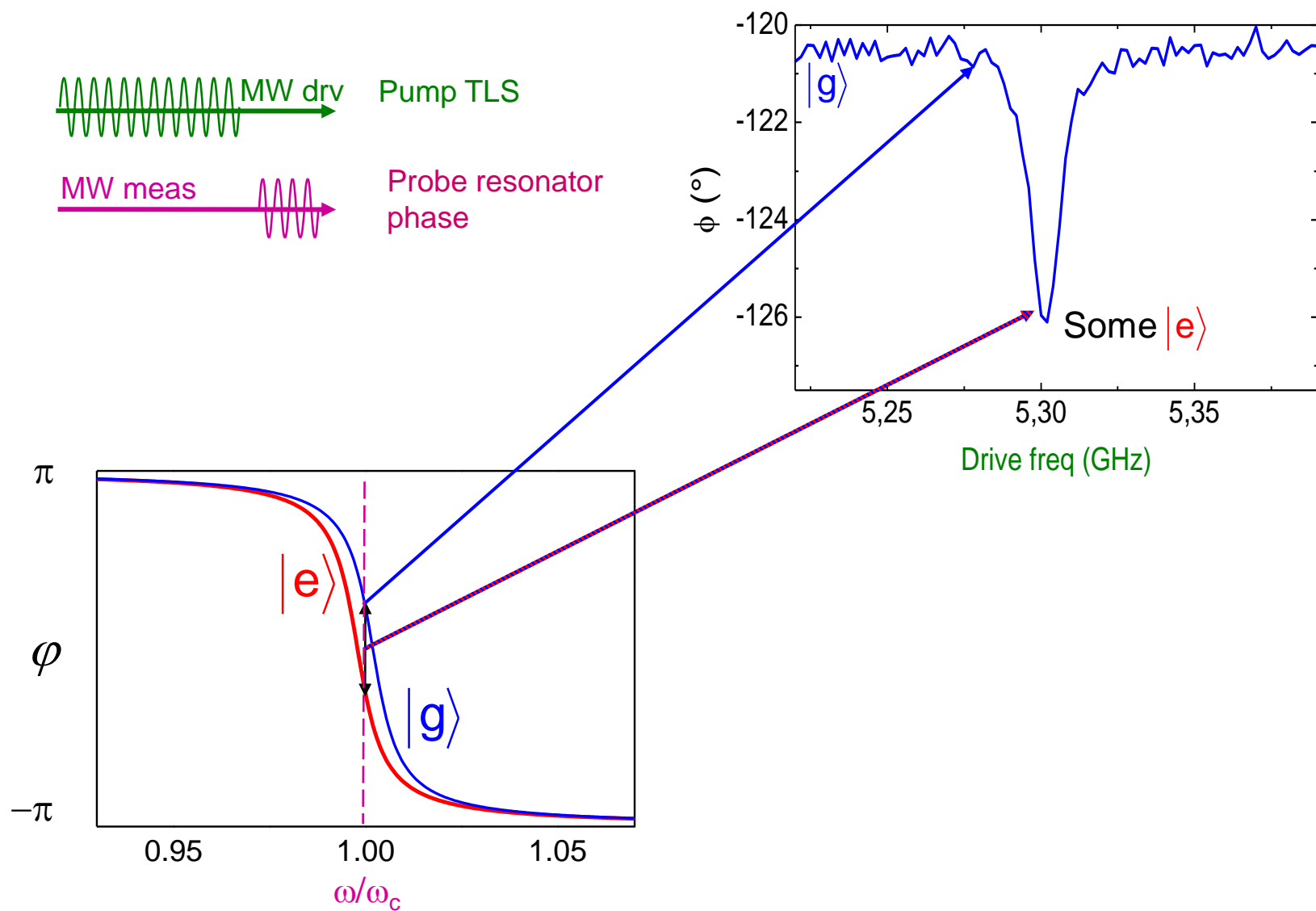
**Shunt configuration:** a transmission dip on resonance



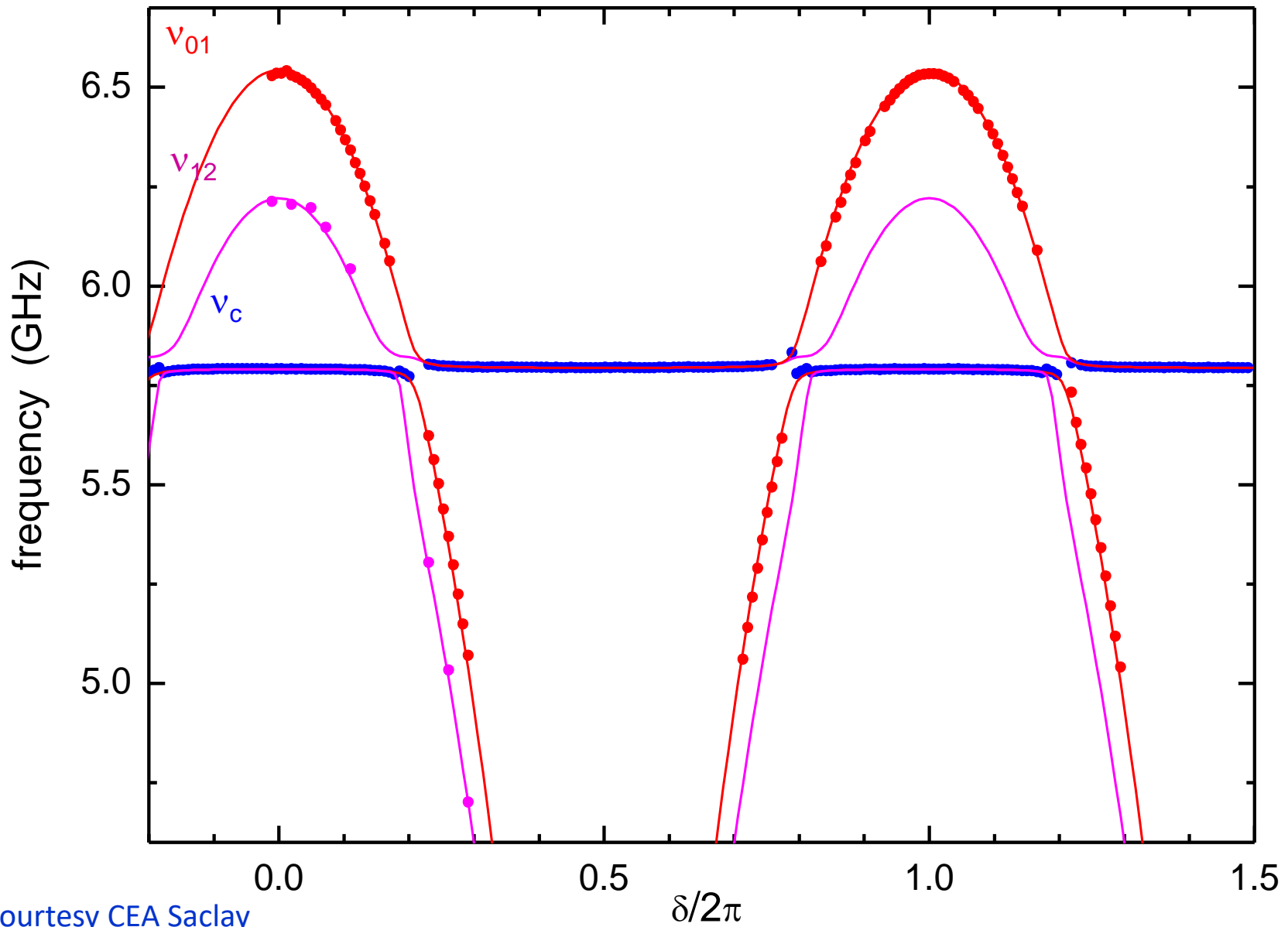
**Series configuration:** a transmission peak on resonance



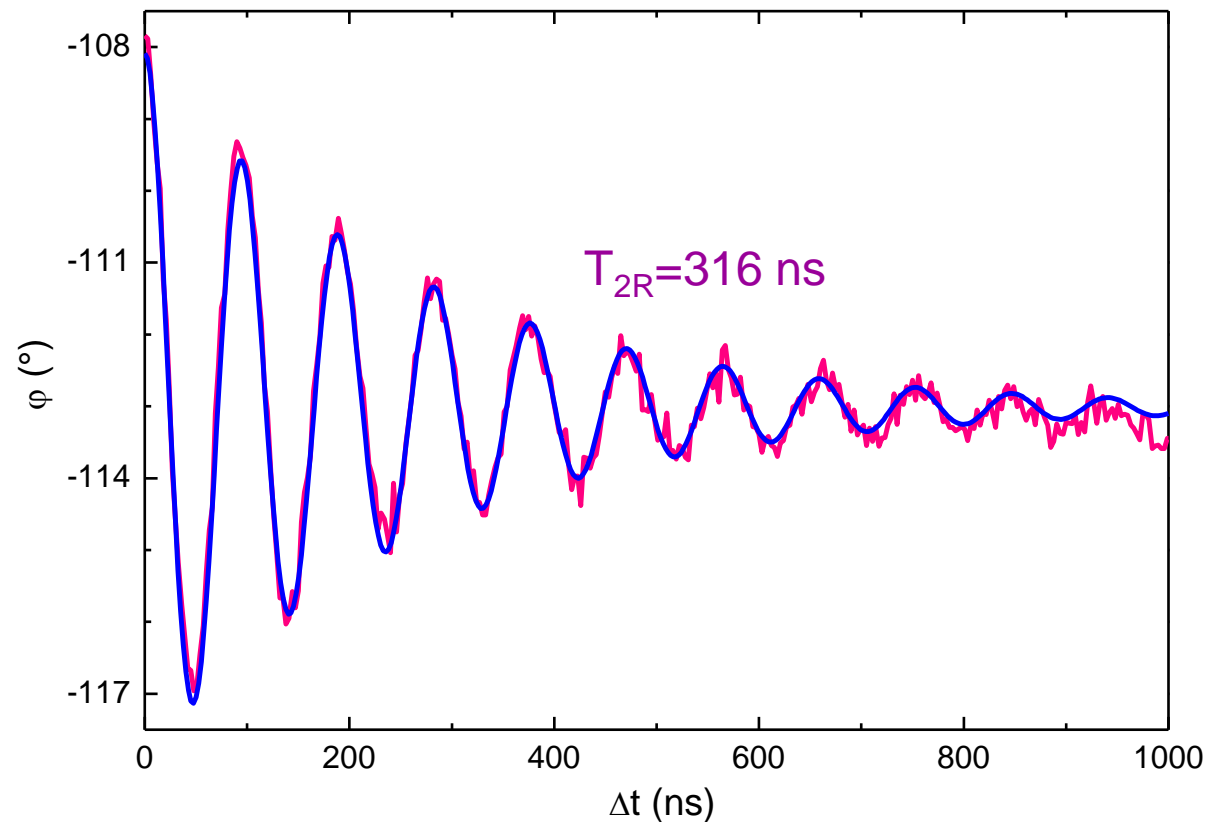
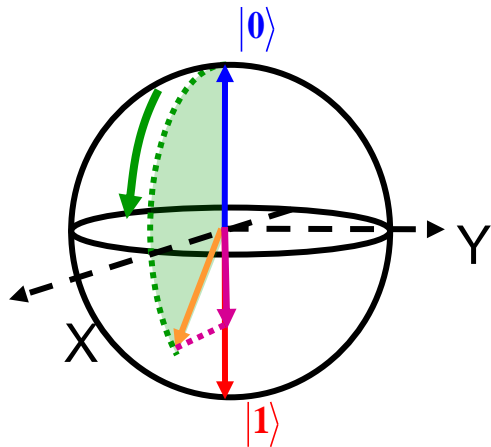
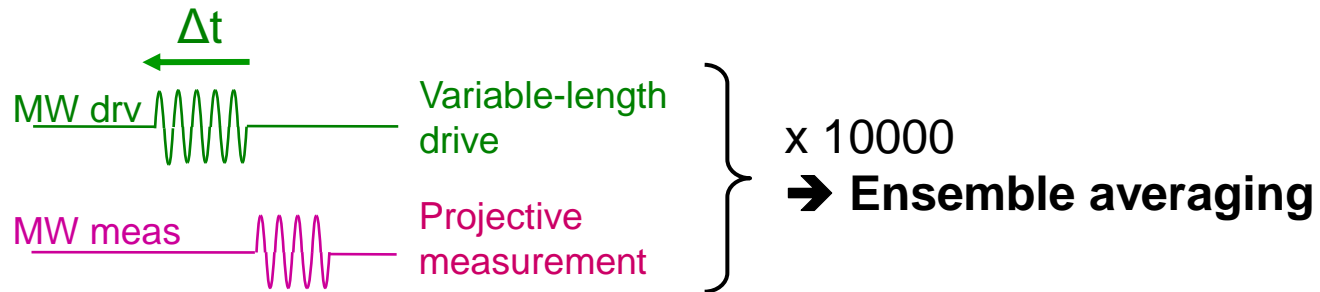
# Qubit spectroscopy with dispersive readout



# Typical spectroscopy of a transmon + cavity circuit



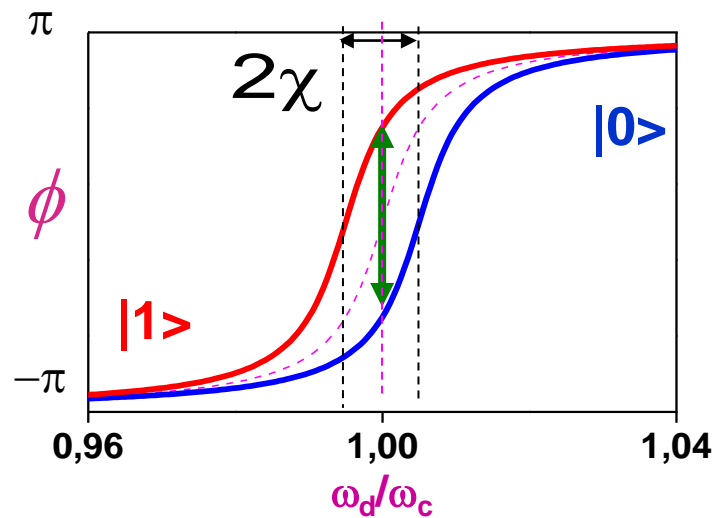
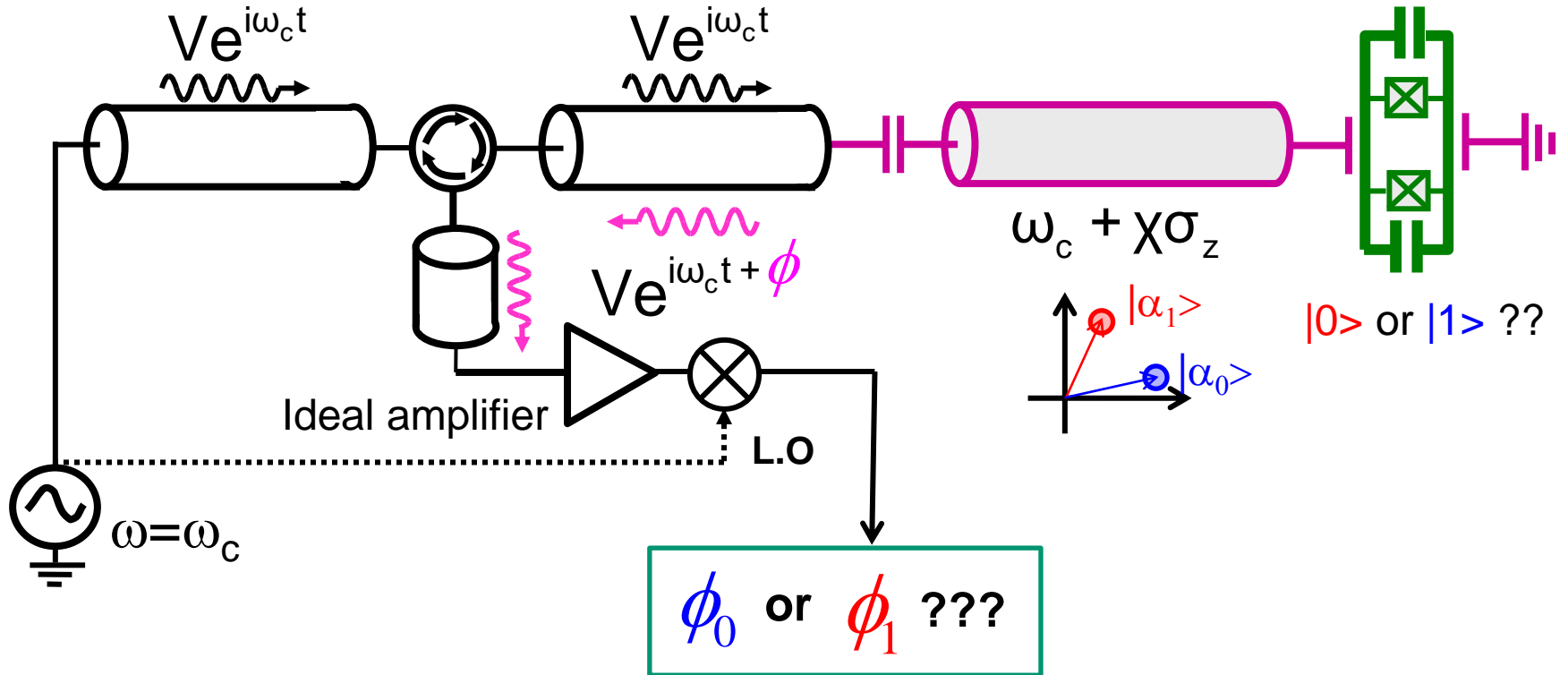
# Rabi oscillations measured with dispersive readout



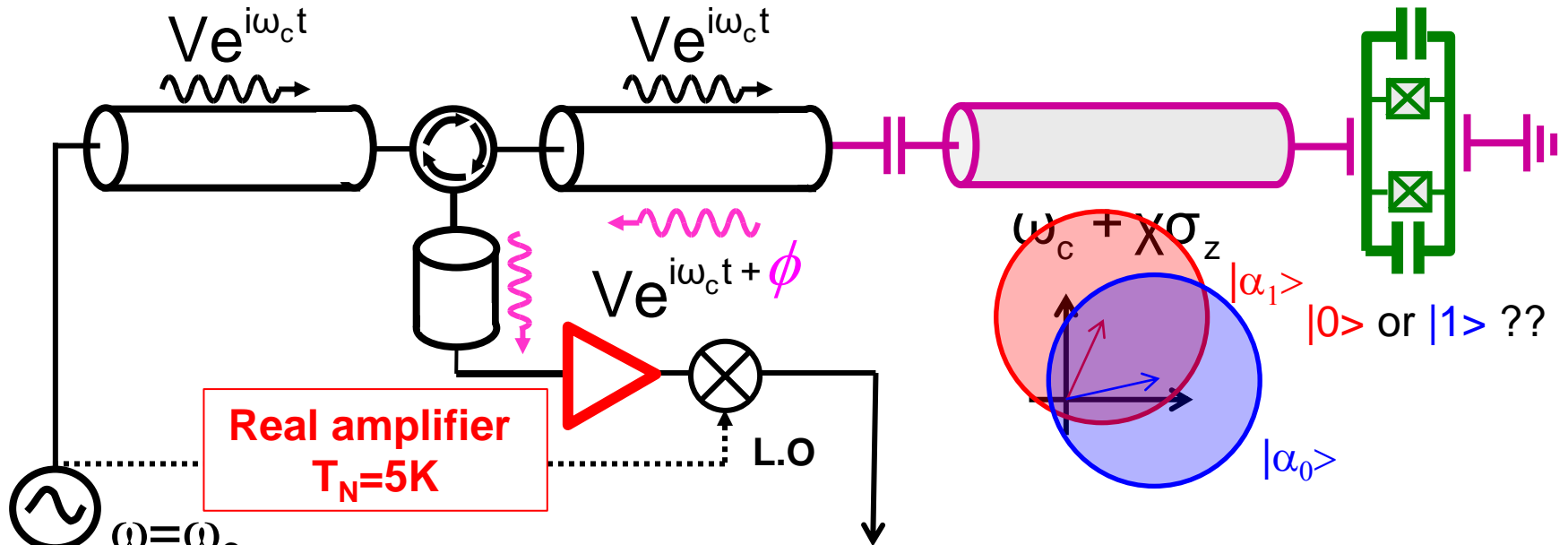


# Quantum Limited Amplifier

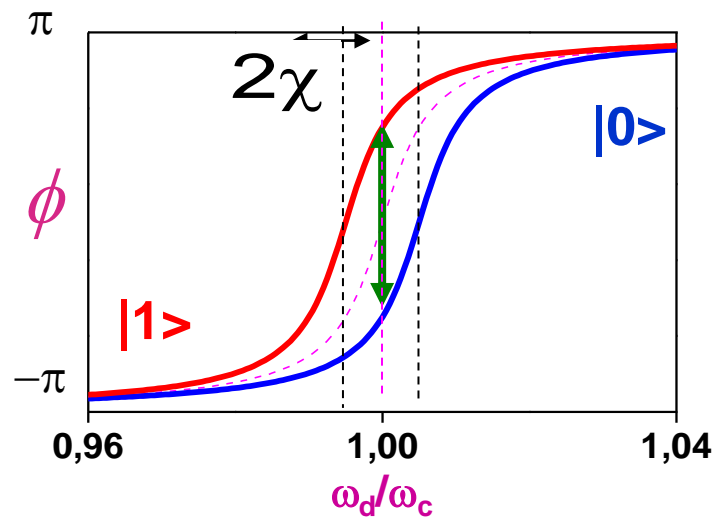
## Dispersive readout : the signal-to-noise issue



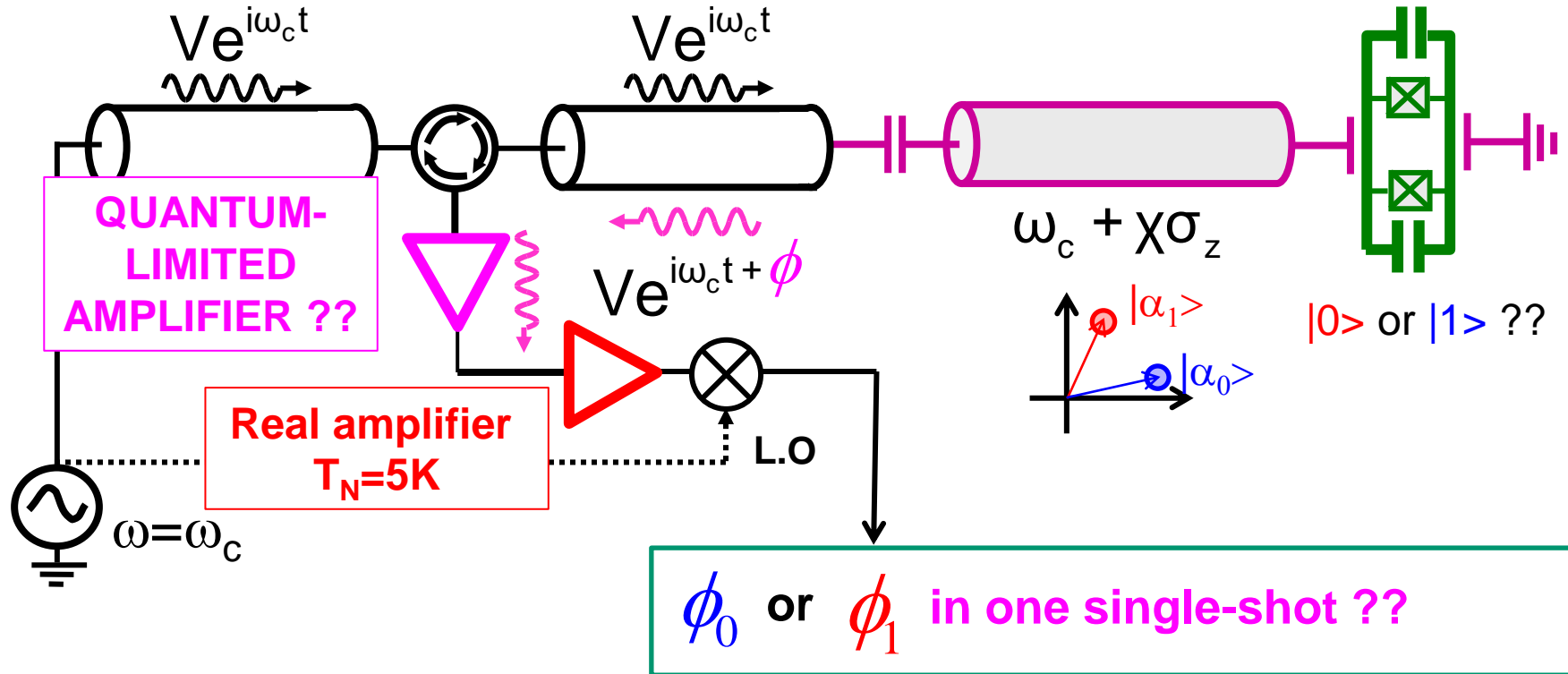
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$\phi_0$  or  $\phi_1$  ??? No discrimination in 1 shot

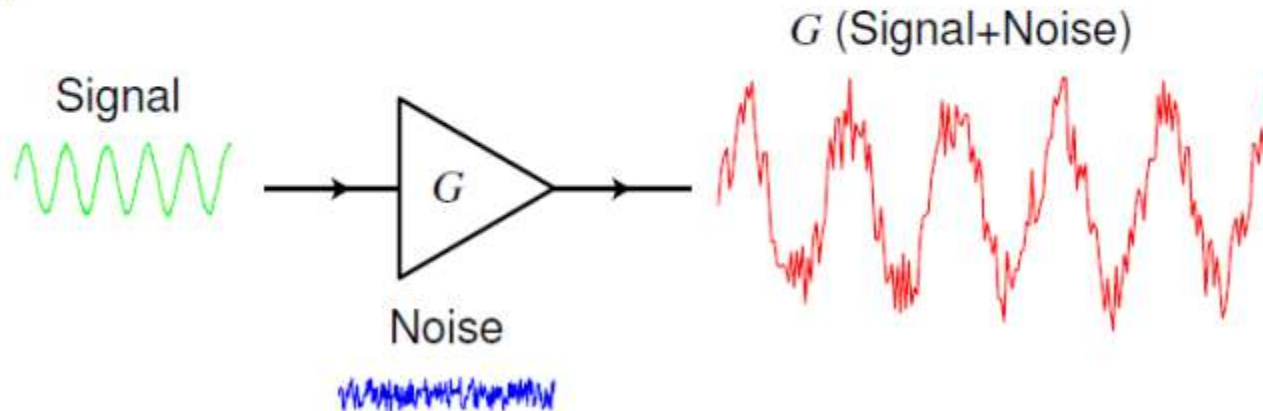


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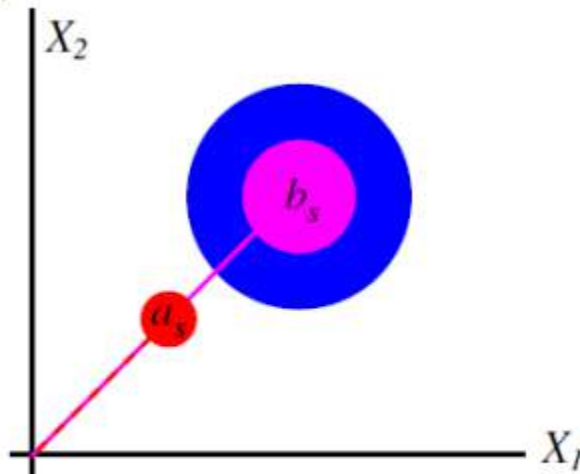


# Parametric Amplification

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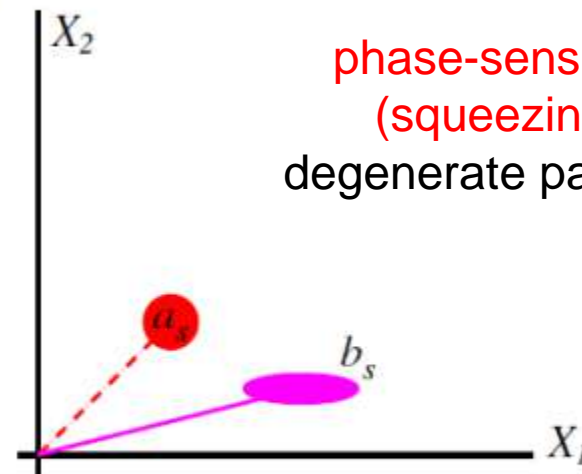


(b)



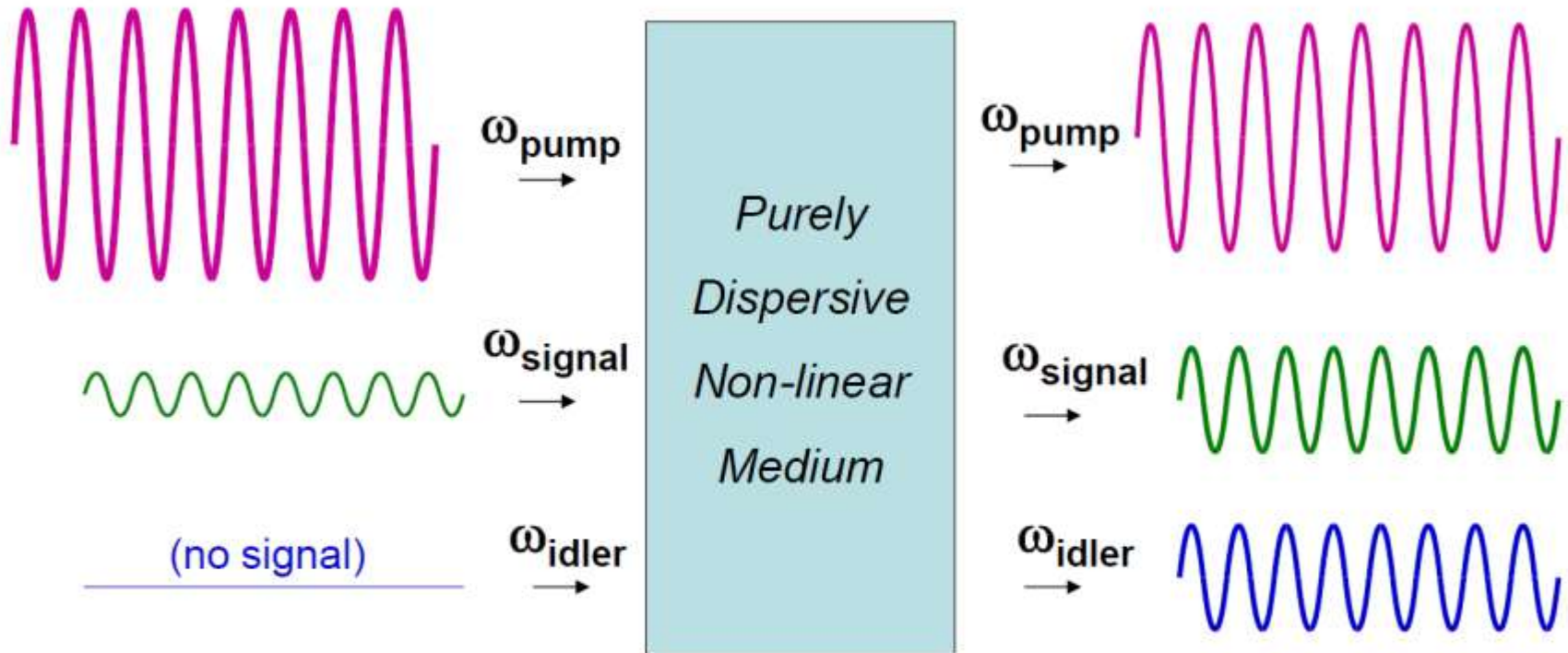
phase-preserving  
non-degenerate paramp.

(c)



phase-sensitive  
(squeezing)  
degenerate paramp.

# Parametric Amplification

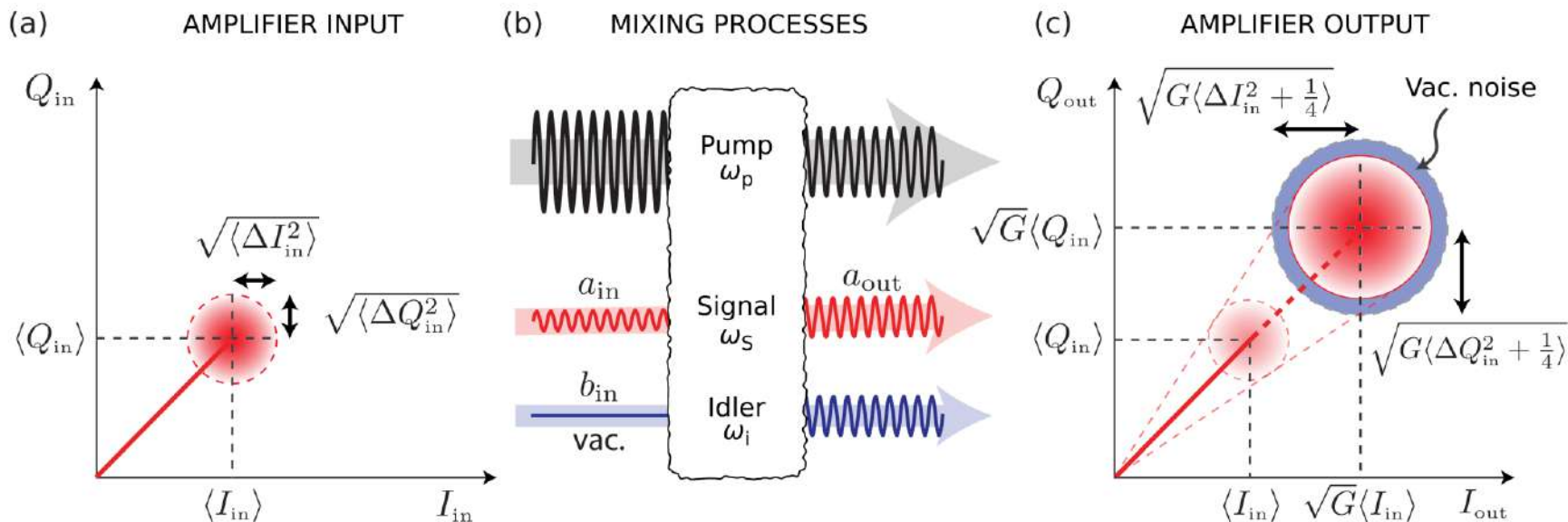


$$\omega_{\text{signal}} + \omega_{\text{idler}} = \omega_{\text{pump}}$$

"3-wave process"

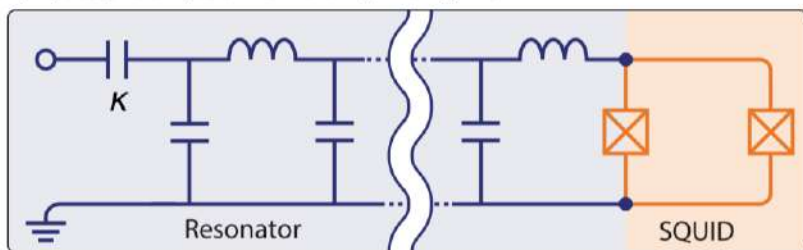
$$\omega_{\text{signal}} + \omega_{\text{idler}} = 2\omega_{\text{pump}}$$

"4-wave process"

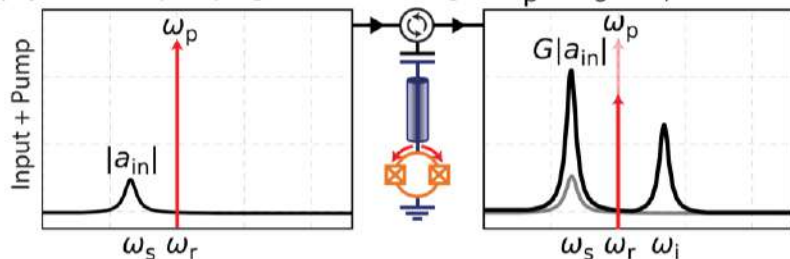


**FIG. 25.** Schematic illustration of a quantum-limited, phase-preserving parametric amplification process of a coherent input state,  $a_{in} = I_{in} + iQ_{in}$ . (a) The state is centered at  $(\langle I_{in} \rangle, \langle Q_{in} \rangle)$  and has a noise represented by the radii of the circles along the real and imaginary axes, respectively. (b) Scattering representation of parametric mixing, where the signal and pump photons are interacting via a purely dispersive nonlinear medium. (c) In the case of phase-preserving amplification, both quadratures get amplified by a factor  $\sqrt{G}$ , while (in the ideal case) half a photon of noise gets added to the output distribution (blue). Image inspired by Flurin.<sup>332</sup>

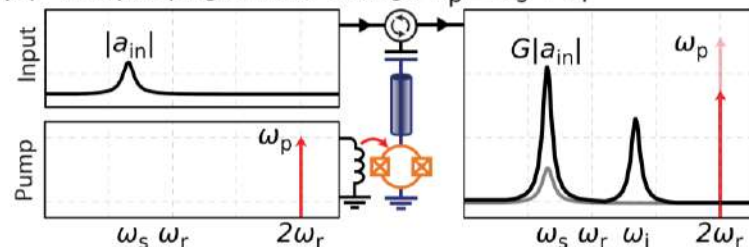
(a) Josephson parametric amplifier (JPA)



(b) Current-pumping (4-wave mixing):  $2\omega_p = \omega_s + \omega_i$



(c) Flux-pumping (3-wave mixing):  $\omega_p = \omega_s + \omega_i$



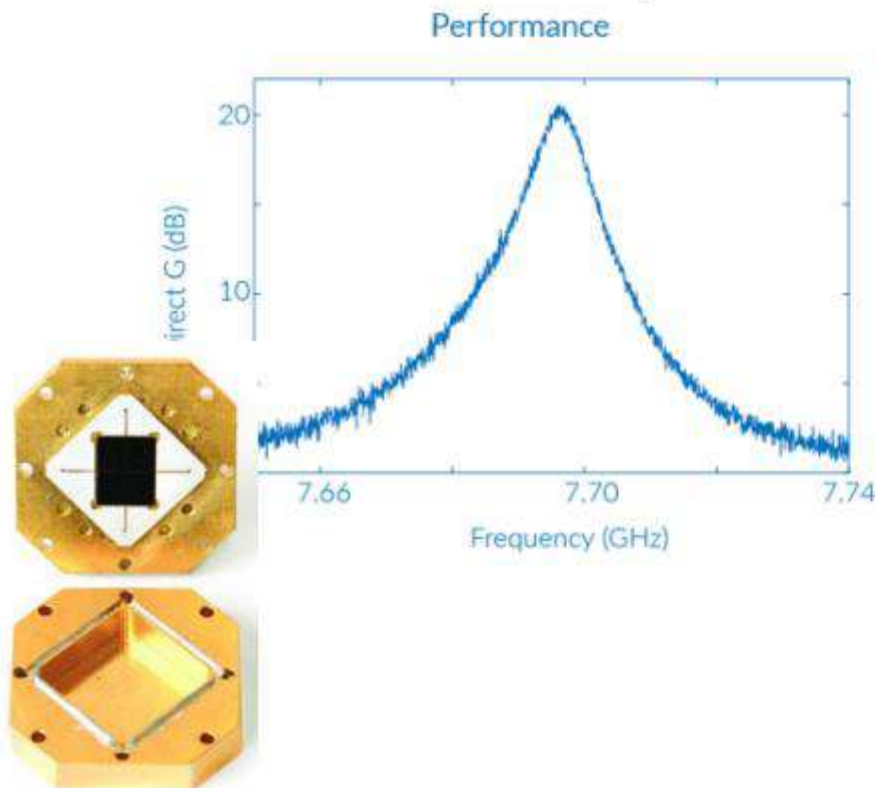
**FIG. 27.** Circuit schematics and pump schemes of a Josephson parametric amplifier. (a) The device consists of a quarter-wavelength resonator (blue), represented as lumped elements, shorted to ground via a Kerr-nonlinearity consisting of two parallel Josephson junctions (orange) forming a SQUID. The pump (red) can be applied in two ways; (b) either by modulating the current through the junctions (four-wave mixing) at the resonant frequency,  $\omega_p \approx \omega_r$ , or (c) by modulating the ac-flux  $\Phi_{ac}$  around a static DC-flux point  $\Phi_{dc}$  using a separate fast-flux line (three-wave mixing). The flux pump is applied at twice the resonance frequency,  $\omega_p \approx 2\omega_r$ .



# Parametric Amplification

## JPA / JPC

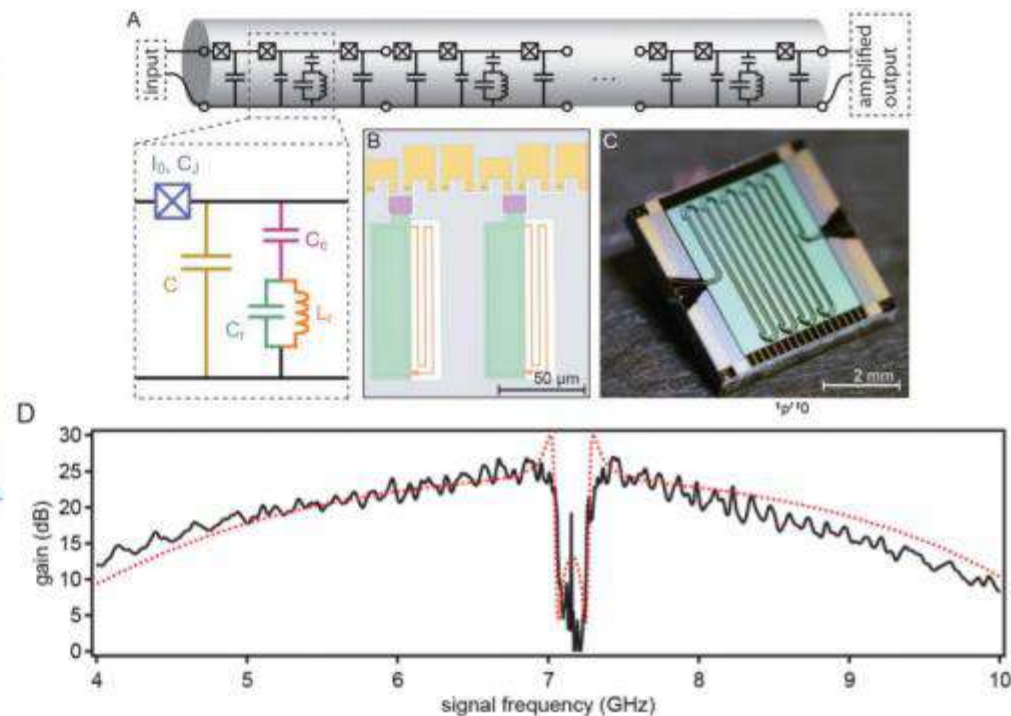
- + Very simple to make
- Narrow band
- + Ultimate efficiency



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## TWPA

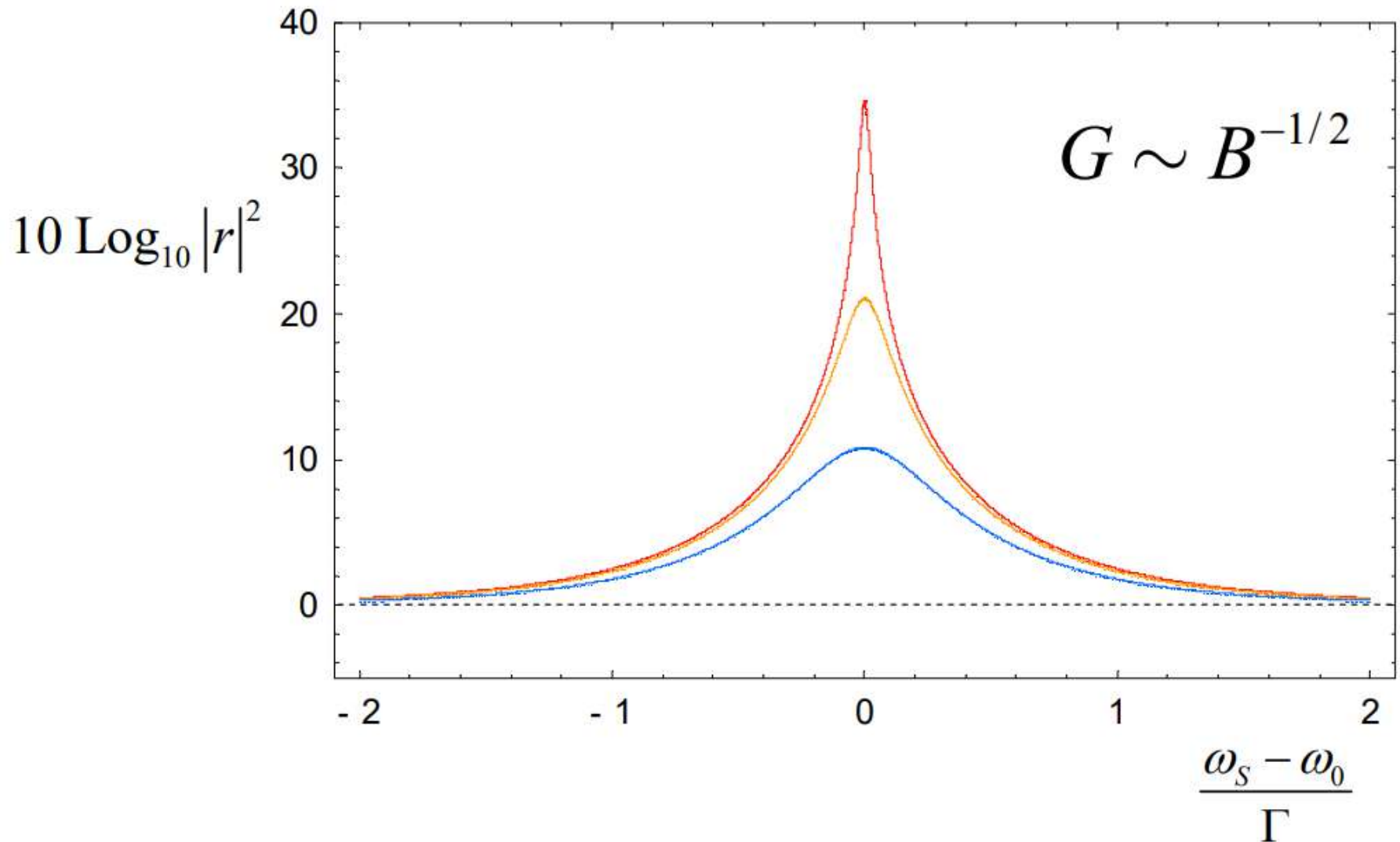
- Complicated: 1000s JJ
- Slightly less efficient now
- + Broadband, directional



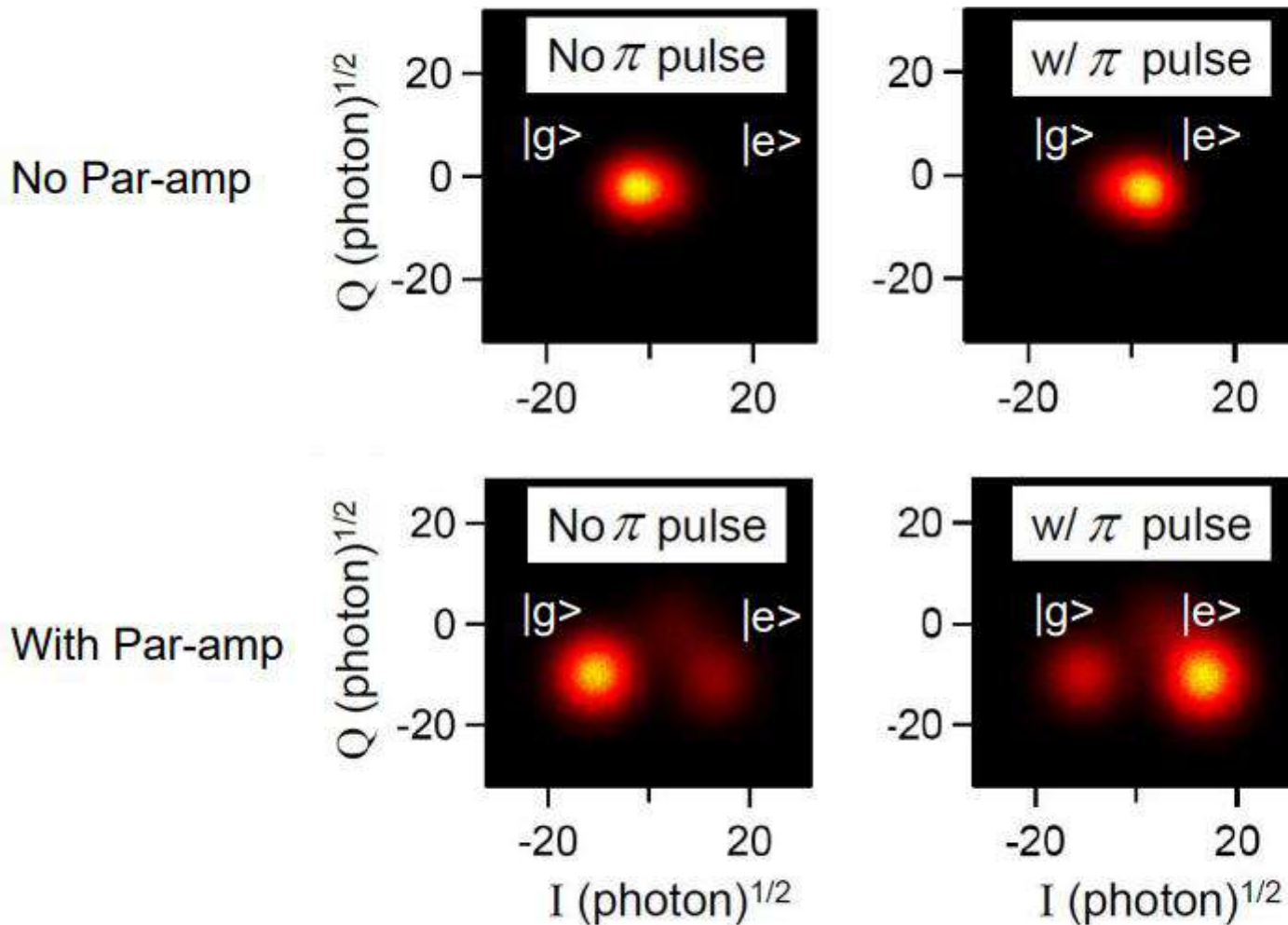
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# Gain-Bandwidth Compromise (for resonator based amplifiers)



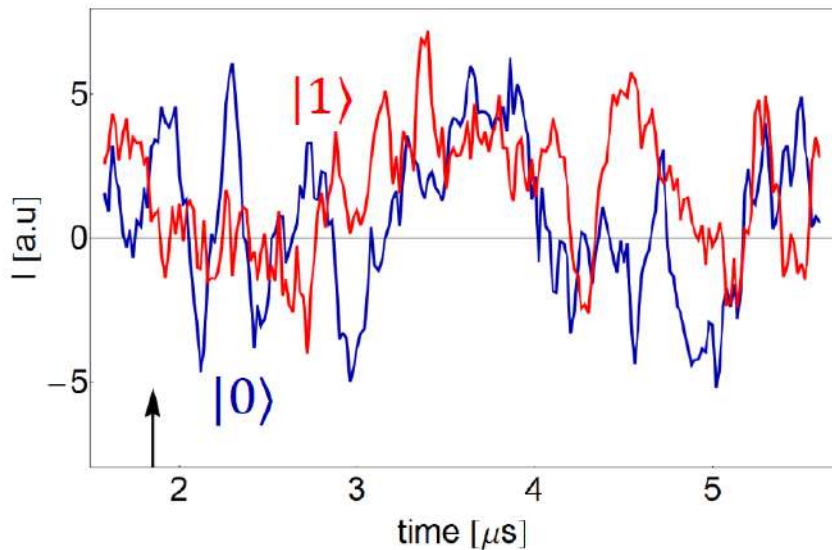
# Single-Shot Histograms



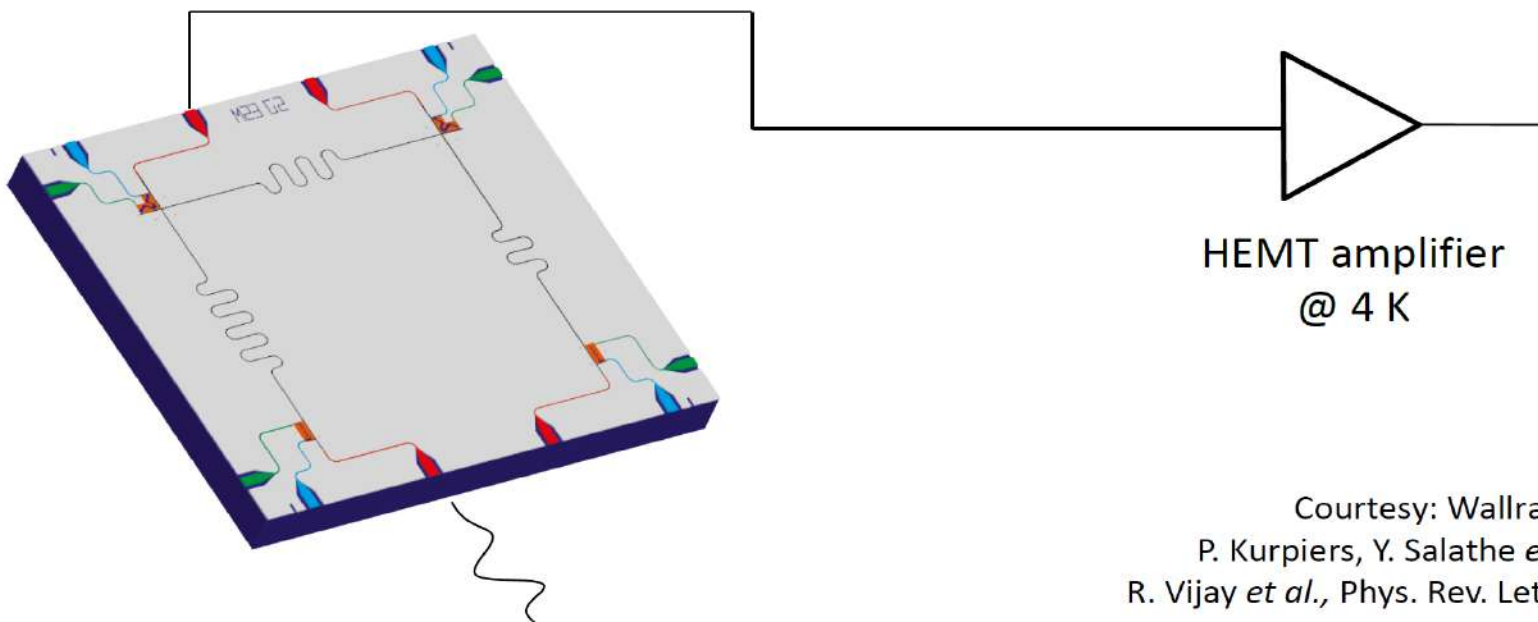
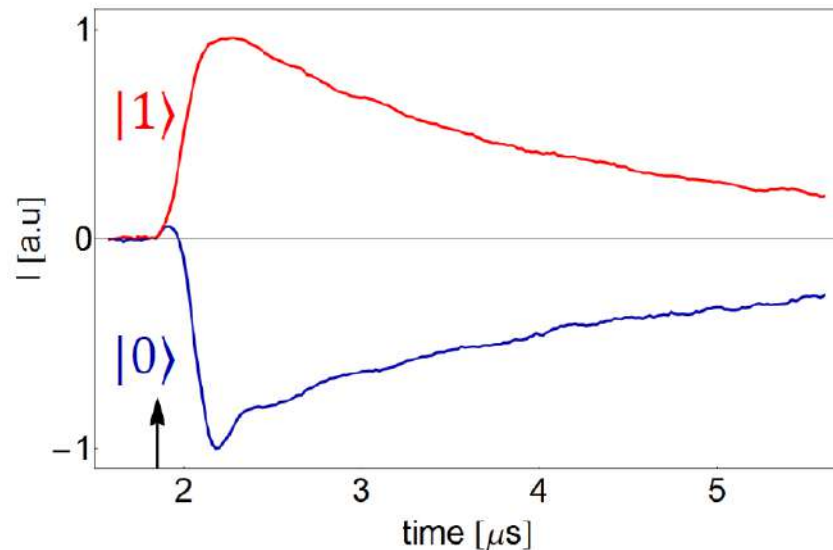
→ Single-shot discrimination of qubit state

# Single-shot qubit readout

single-shot measurements:



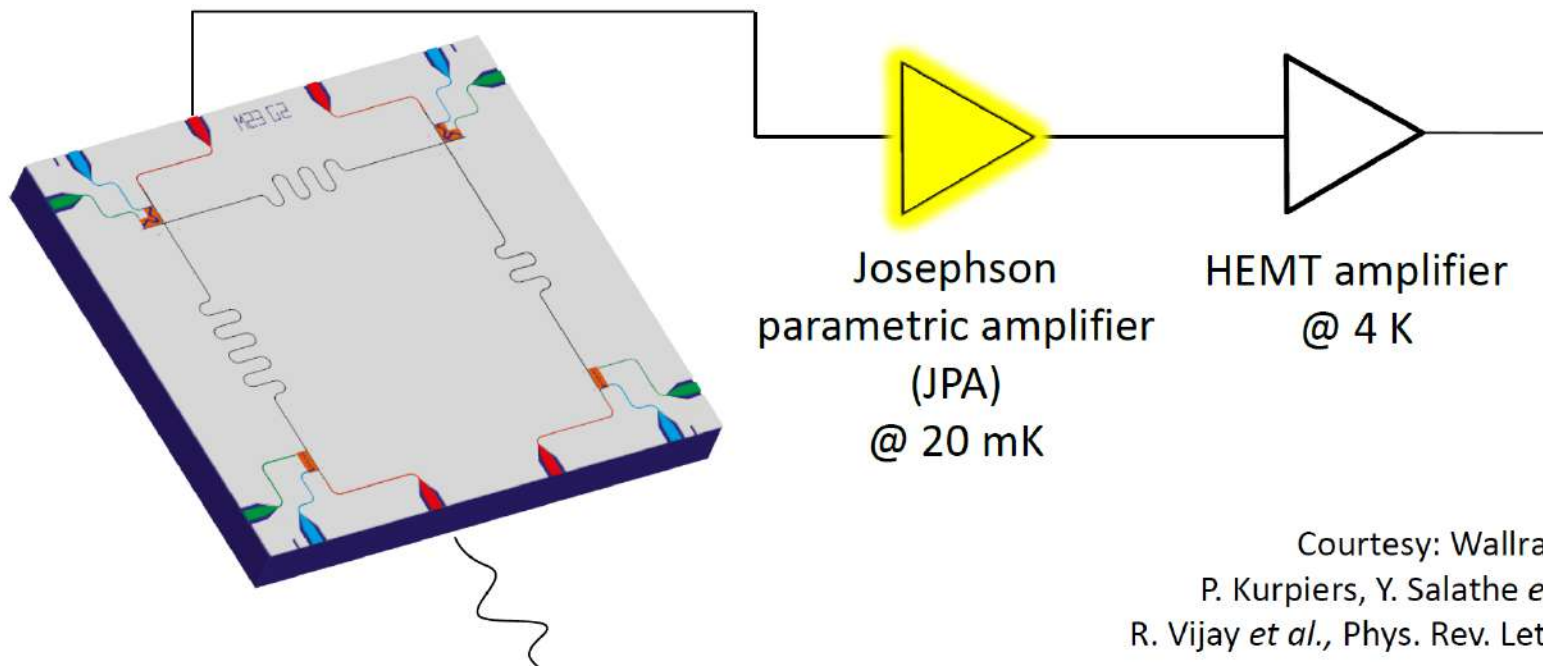
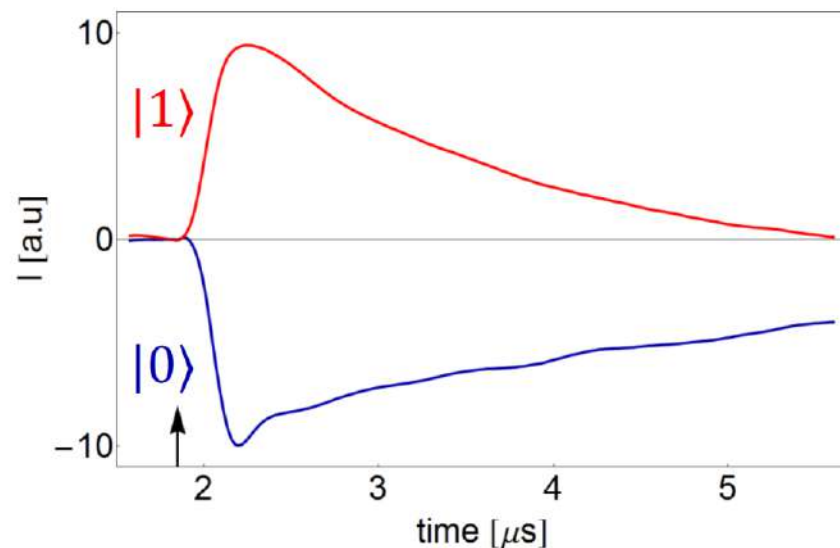
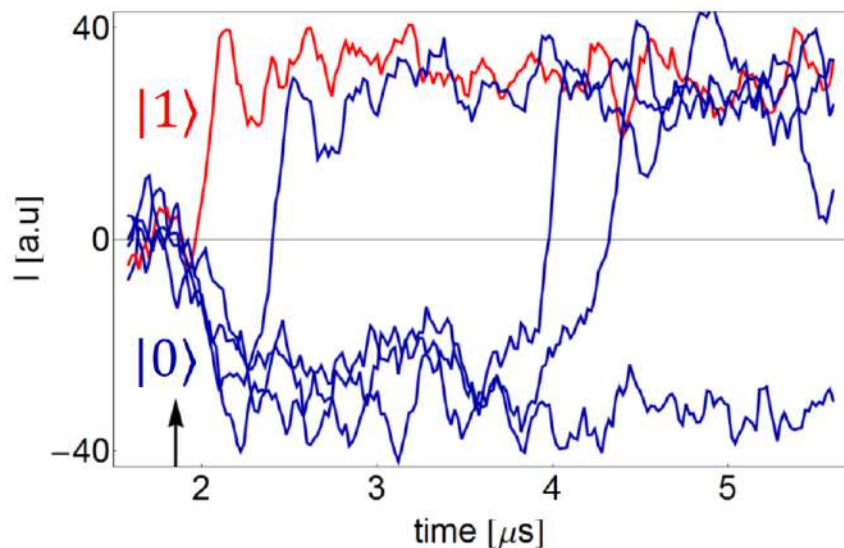
averaged measurements ( $8 \cdot 10^4$ ):



Courtesy: Wallraff group @ ETH Zurich  
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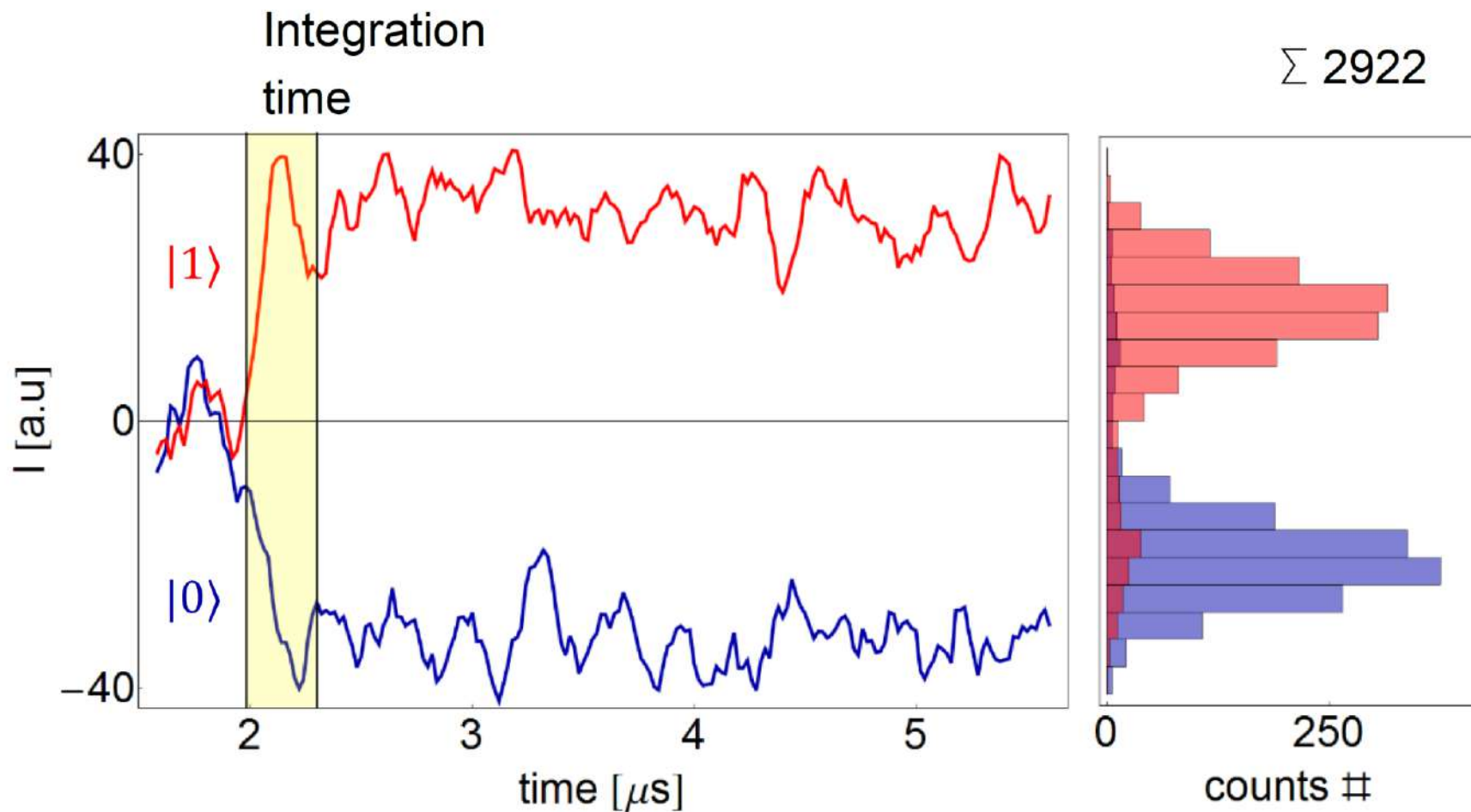
# Single-shot qubit readout

Parametric Amplifier



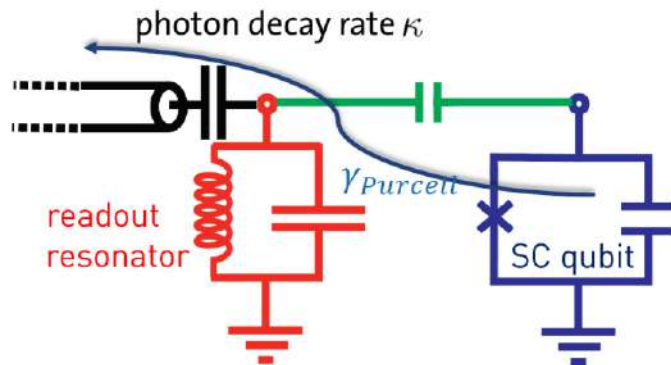
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# Statistics of Integrated Single-shot qubit readout





# Purcell decay and protection

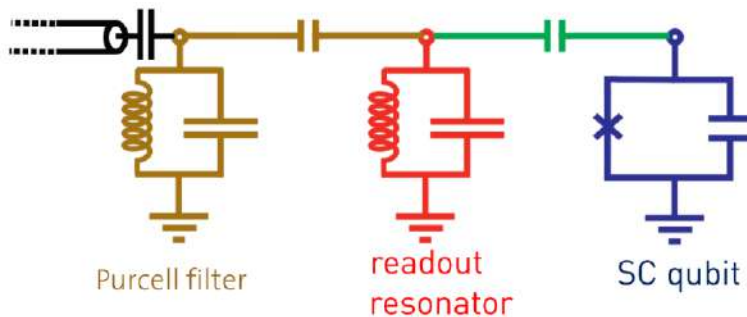


What about decay of the qubit into the measurement line via the resonator?

- In the limit of large detuning we find

$$\gamma_{Purcell} \approx \kappa \frac{g^2}{\Delta^2} \approx \kappa \frac{|\chi|}{\alpha}$$

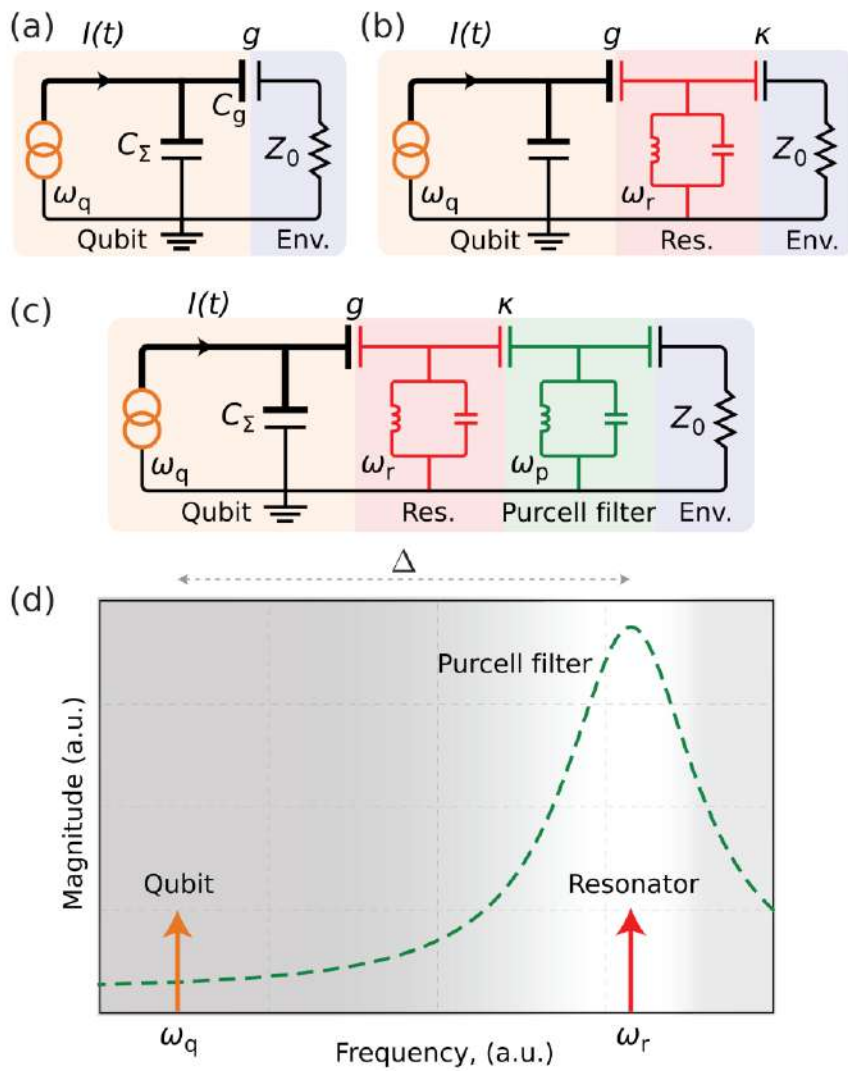
- BUT: Fast readout requires large  $\kappa$  and  $|\chi|$ .



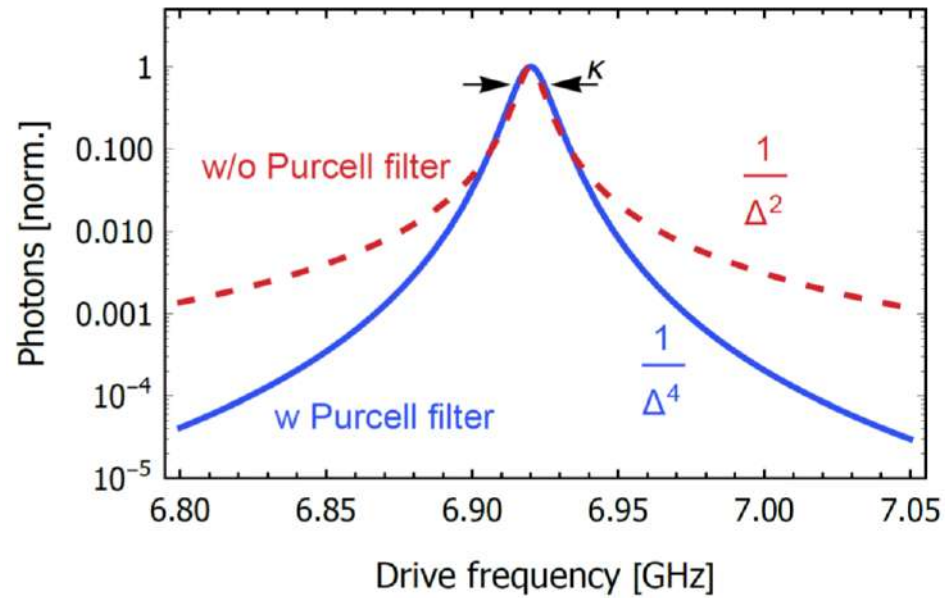
- Solution: Include an additional filter, called "Purcell filter" to suppress qubit decay while allowing for large  $\kappa$  and  $|\chi|$ .
- Purcell filter can be realized e.g. as an additional LC-resonator (see schematic).
- In this case

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

is strongly suppressed.



**FIG. 24.** (a) Circuit representation of the qubit (orange) coupled to an environment (blue) with a load resistor,  $Z_0$ , via a capacitor  $C_g$ . To study the decay rate, the Josephson junction has been replaced with a current source,  $I(t)$ . (b) By adding a resonator (red) with frequency  $\omega_r$  in-between the qubit and the 50  $\Omega$  environment, we get the case found in a regular dispersive readout. (c) A Purcell-filter (green) is added to the circuit, providing protection for the qubit, while allowing the resonator field to decay fast in the environment. (d) Transmission spectrum of a Purcell filter (dashed green), centered around the resonator frequency (red arrow), whereas the qubit frequency (orange arrow) is far detuned.

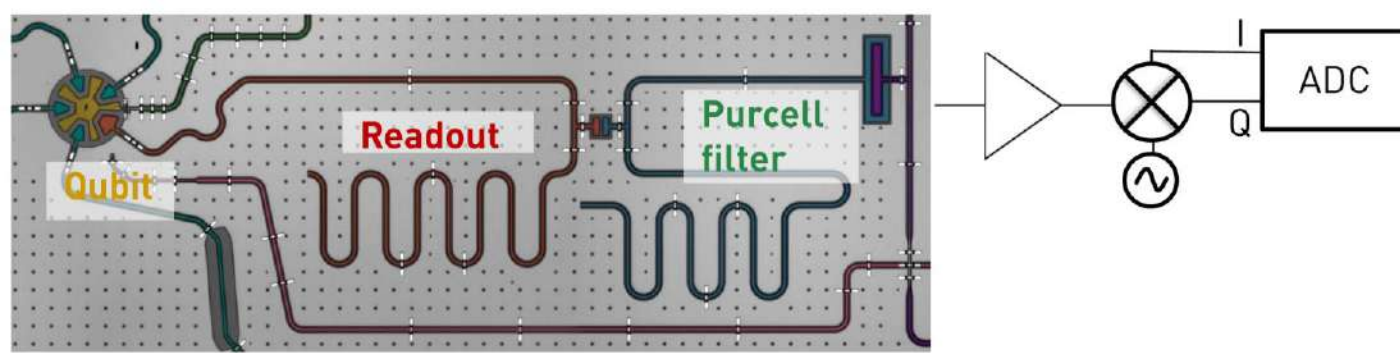


$$(a) \quad \gamma_{\text{env}}^{\text{Purcell}} = \frac{1}{T_1} = \frac{P}{\hbar\omega} = \frac{(\beta e \omega)^2 Z_0}{\hbar\omega} = \frac{g^2}{\omega}.$$

$$(b) \quad \gamma_{\text{res-env}}^{\text{Purcell}} = \frac{g^2}{\omega_r} \frac{\text{Re}[Z_r]}{Z_0} \underset{\Delta \gg g, \kappa}{=} \frac{g^2}{\omega_r} Q \left( \frac{\kappa}{\Delta} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{g}{\Delta} \right)^2 \kappa.$$

$$(c) \quad \gamma_{\text{res-filter-env}}^{\text{Purcell}} = \kappa \left( \frac{g}{\Delta} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\omega_q}{\omega_r} \right) \left( \frac{\omega_r}{2Q_F \Delta} \right)$$

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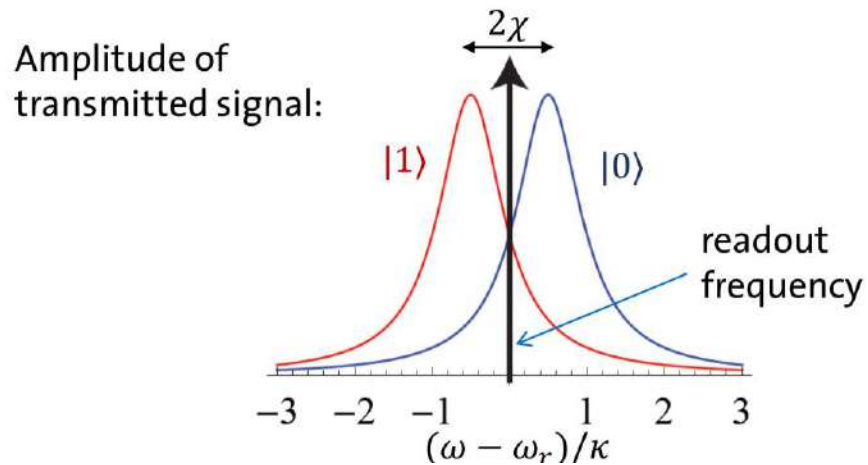


$$A e^{i\phi} = I + iQ$$

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signal amplitude    Phase                      In-phase and quadrature components

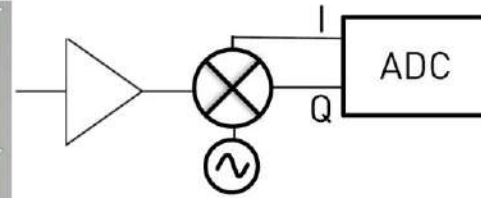
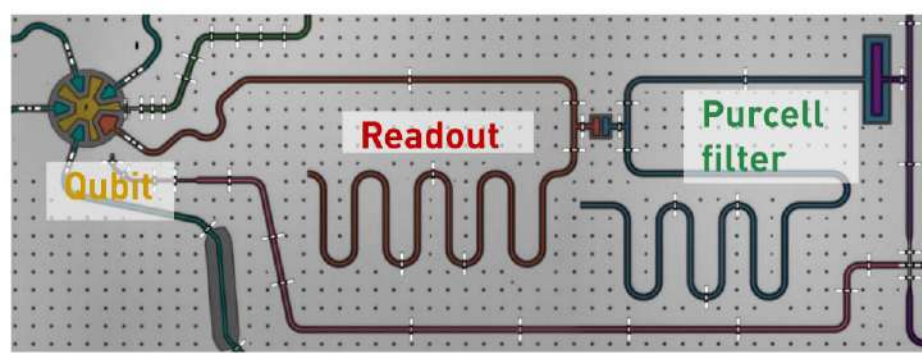
$$H/\hbar \approx (\omega_r + \chi \sigma_z) a^\dagger a \quad , \text{with } \chi \approx -\alpha \frac{g^2}{\Delta(\Delta - \alpha)}$$



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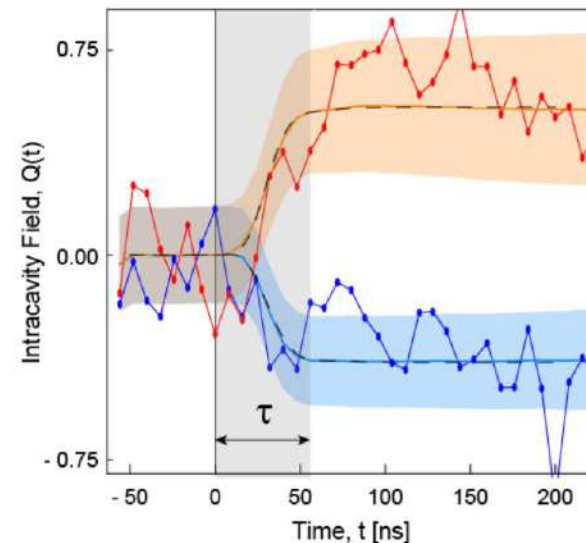
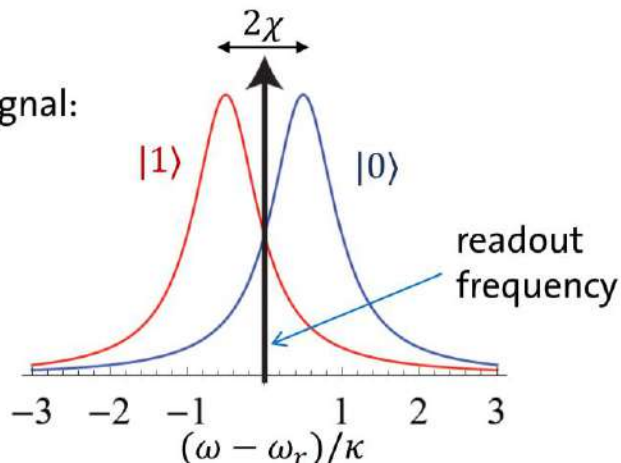
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↑ signal amplitude      ↑ Phase

In-phase and quadrature components

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Amplitude of transmitted signal:



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- Integration time  $\tau$

Observations:

- Fast rise of measurement signal ( $< 50$  ns) due large  $\chi$  (and  $\kappa$ )
- 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