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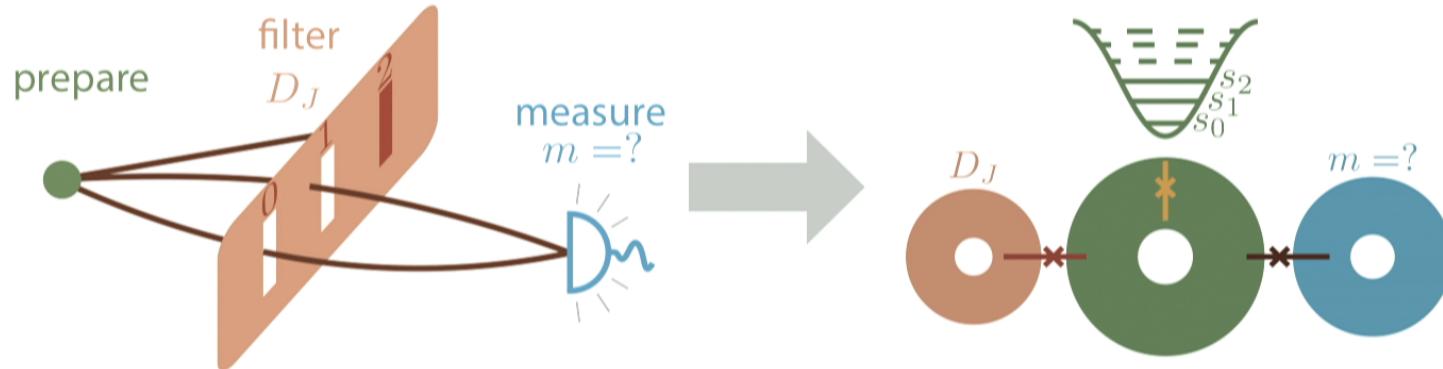
## Could third order interference be observed in superconducting circuits?

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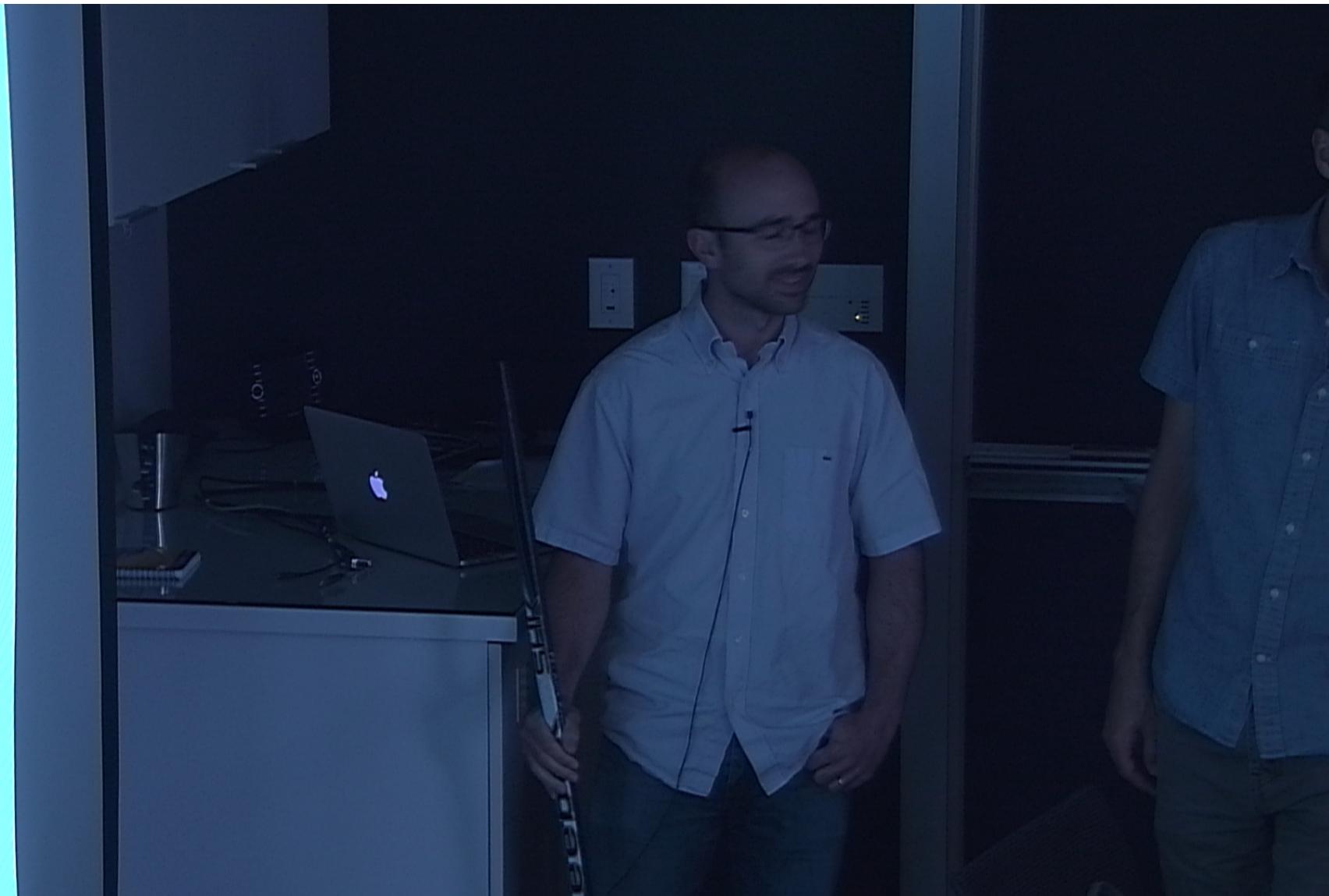
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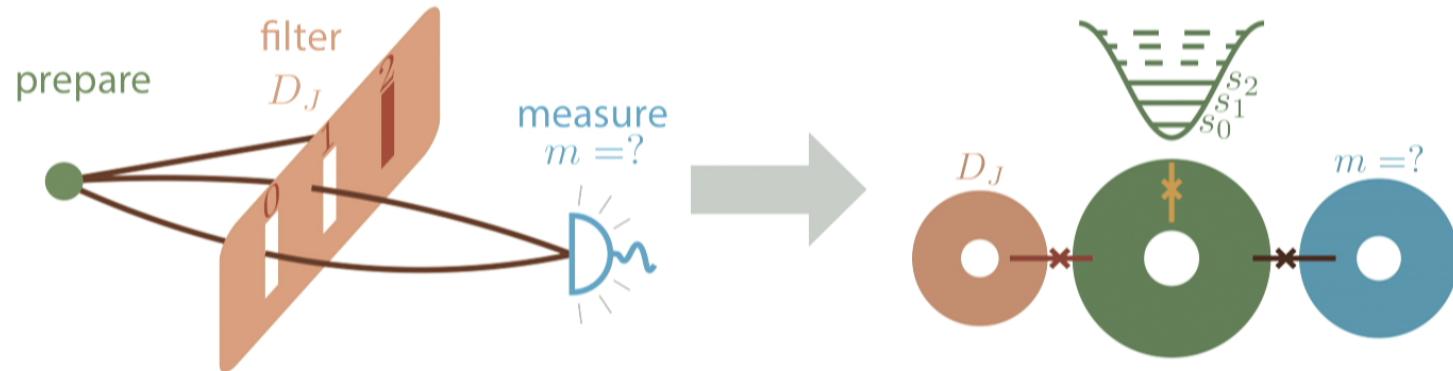
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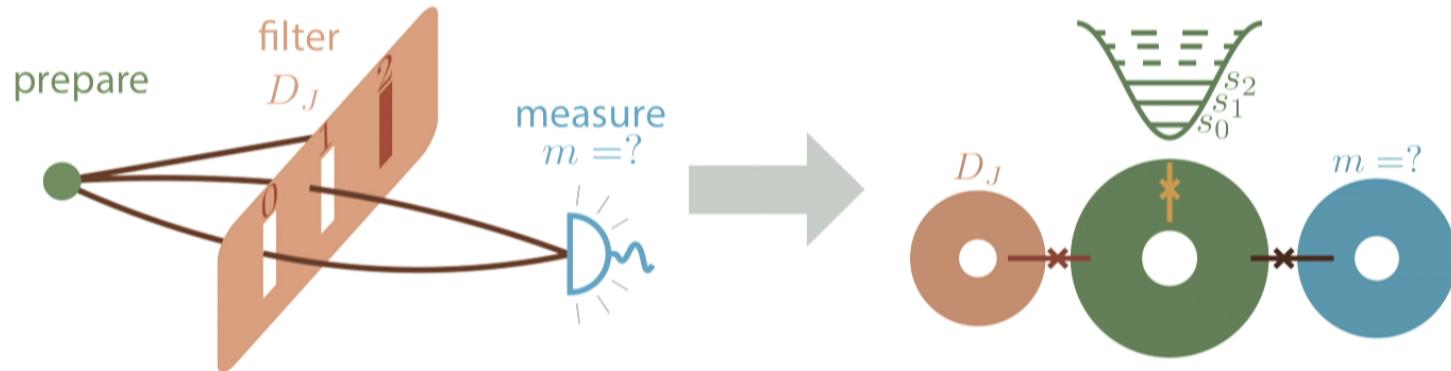


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↔ single particle with xZPF larger than slit spacing

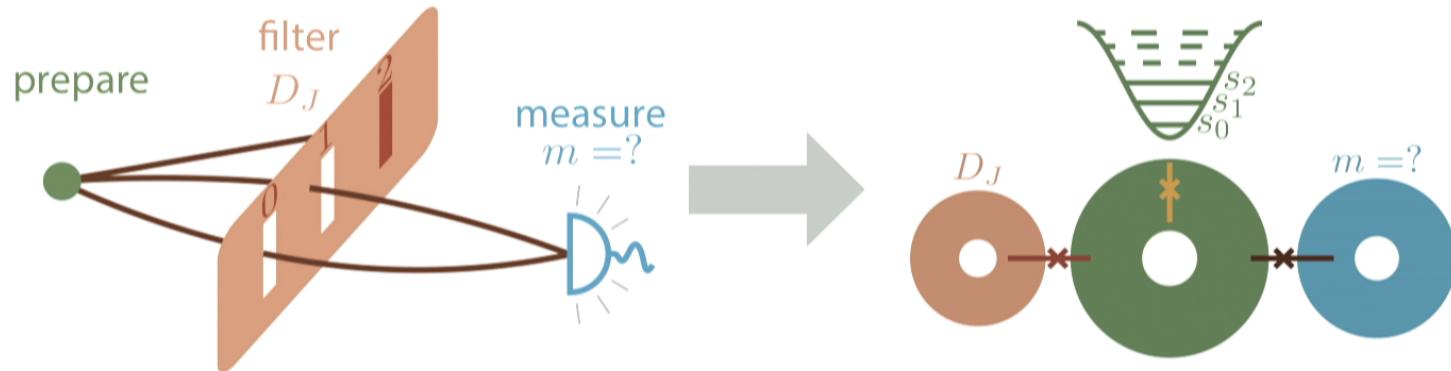
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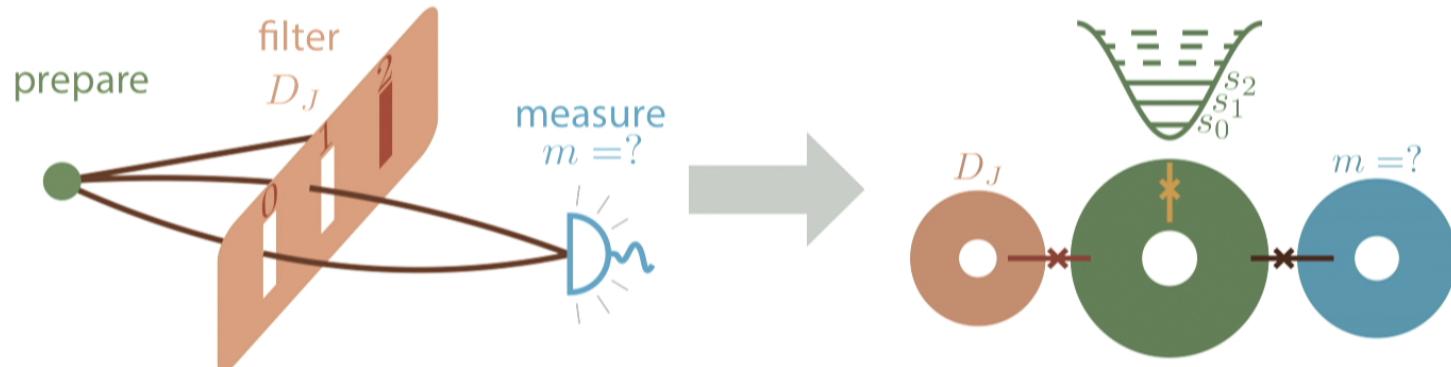
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- ③ **measure** the system by an apparatus which differs from any  $D_J$   
(i.e. leads to at least 2nd order interferences)

$$p_J = p(D_J \text{ clicks}, m = +1)$$

## What would superconducting circuits hopefully bring?



**Single system** manipulation and measurement so that  $D_J$  corresponds to a **projective transformation**

→ work directly with event probabilities as in GPTs  
and avoid parasitic effects in the modeling of actual slits  
[see Urbasi and Thomas talks]

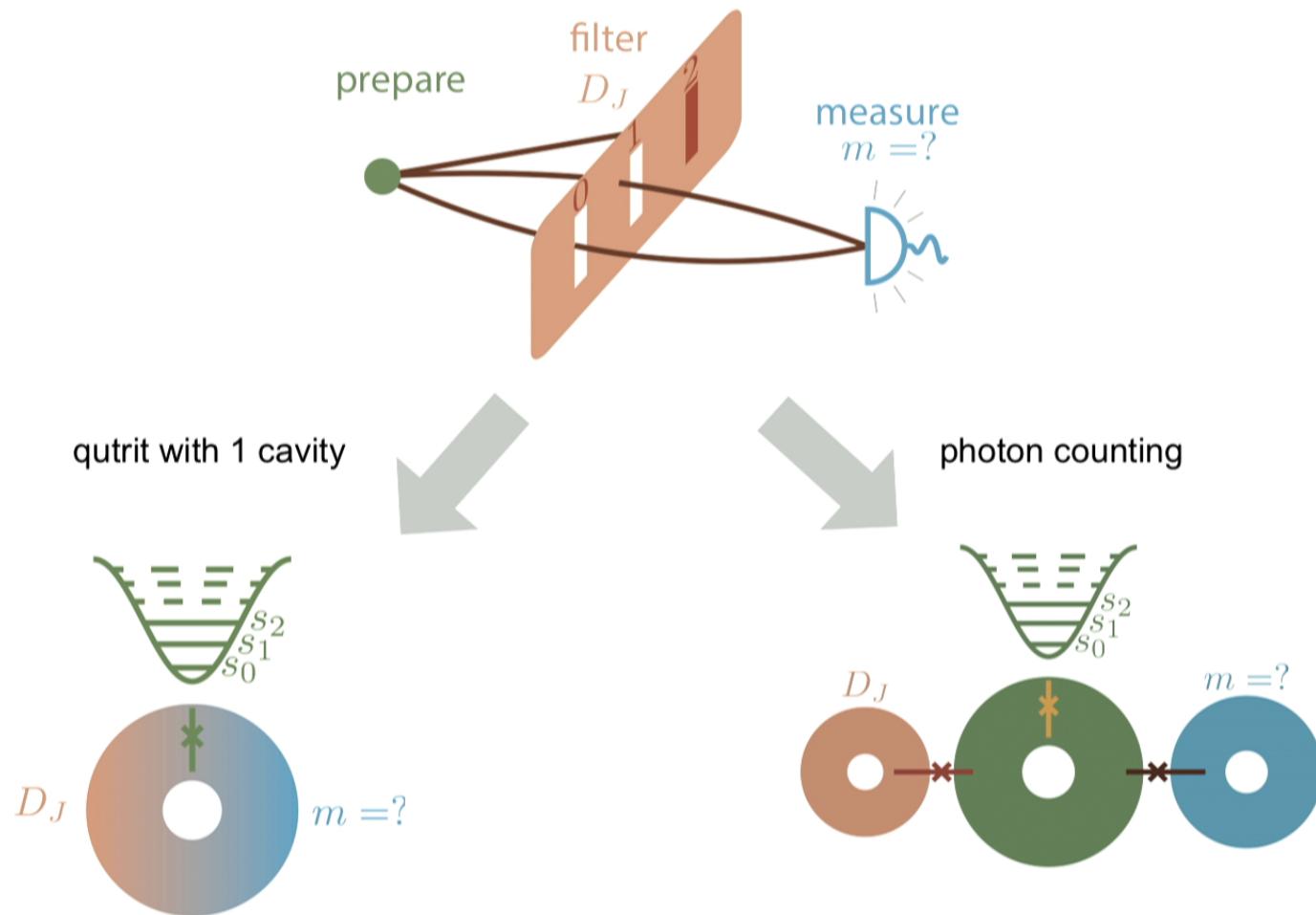
**Spatial (+ energy OR phase) degeneracy between alternatives**

→ avoid possible interference suppression due to relativistic  
structure of space-time [Garner, Müller and Dahlsten arxiv:1412.7112]

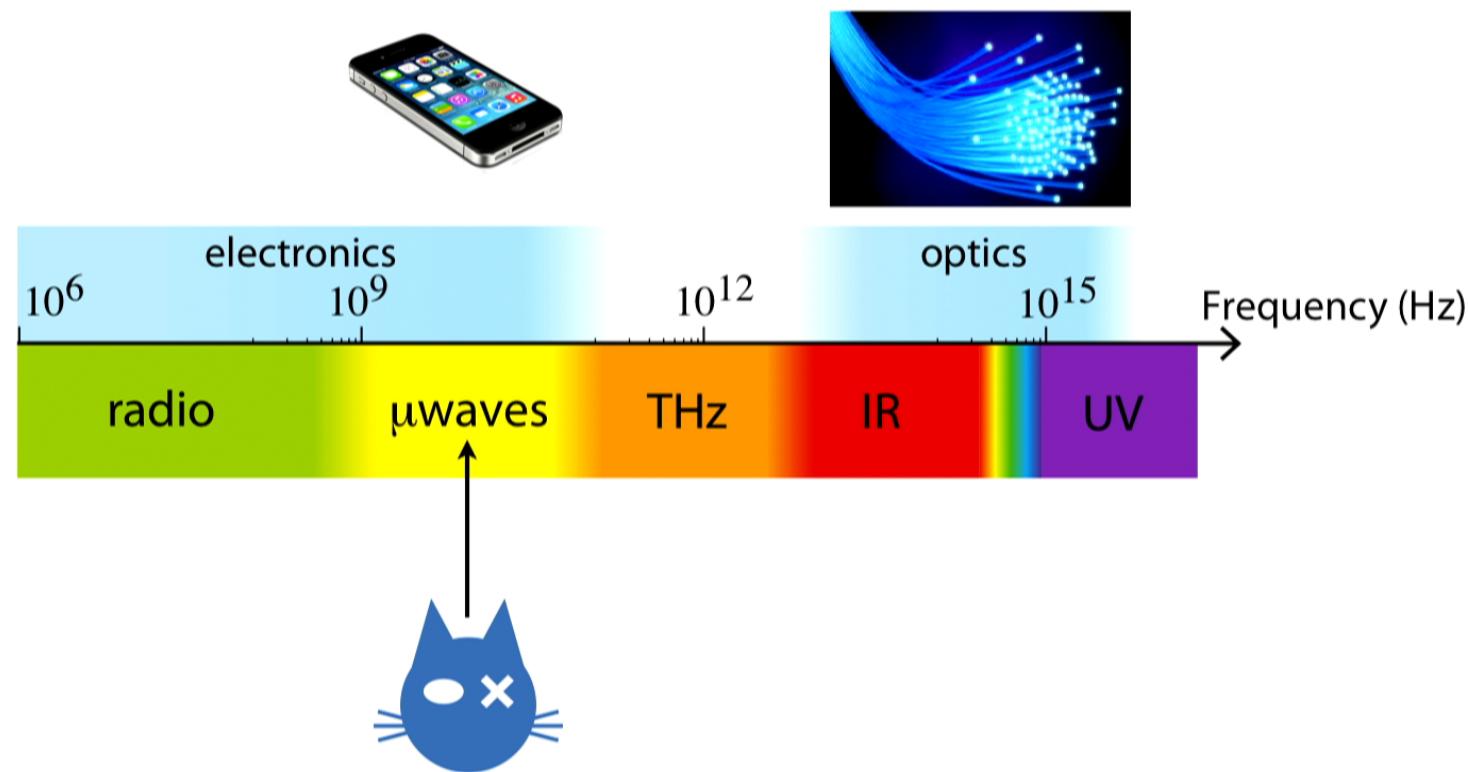
**Any** input state and **any** final measurement can be realized

Predicted **precision** similar or better than single photons or spin liquids  $I_3 \lesssim 10^{-3} I_2$

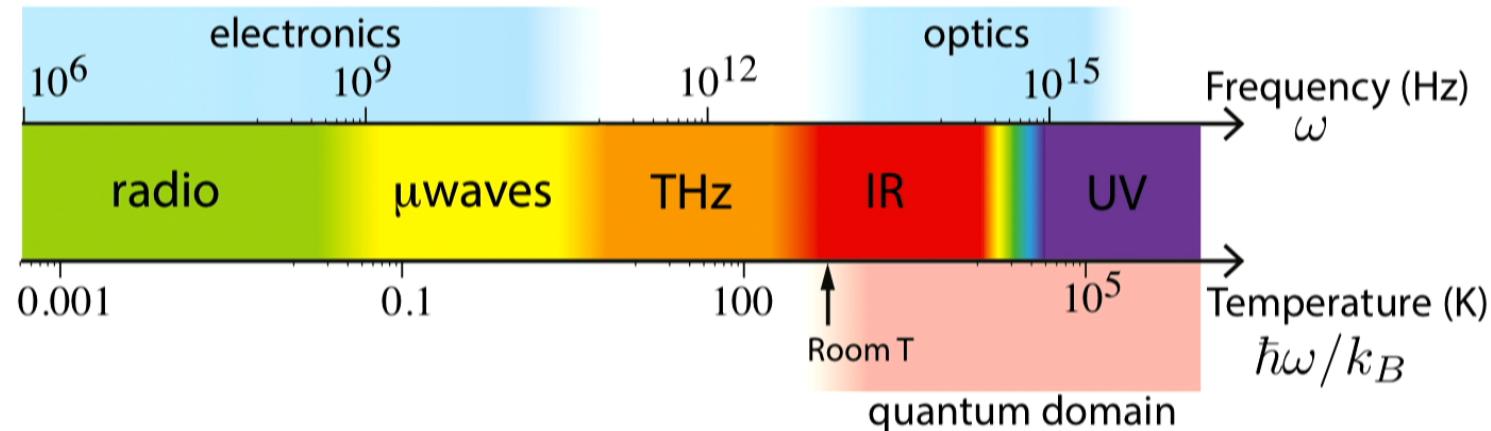
## Two possible ways



## Microwave quantum optics



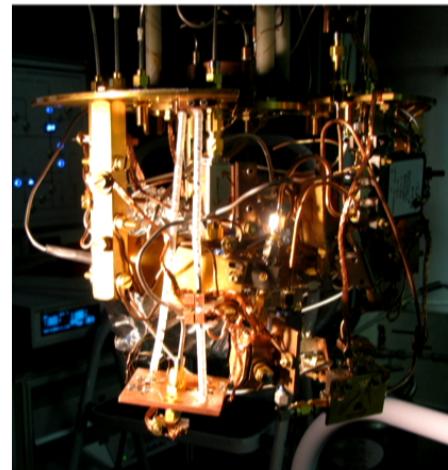
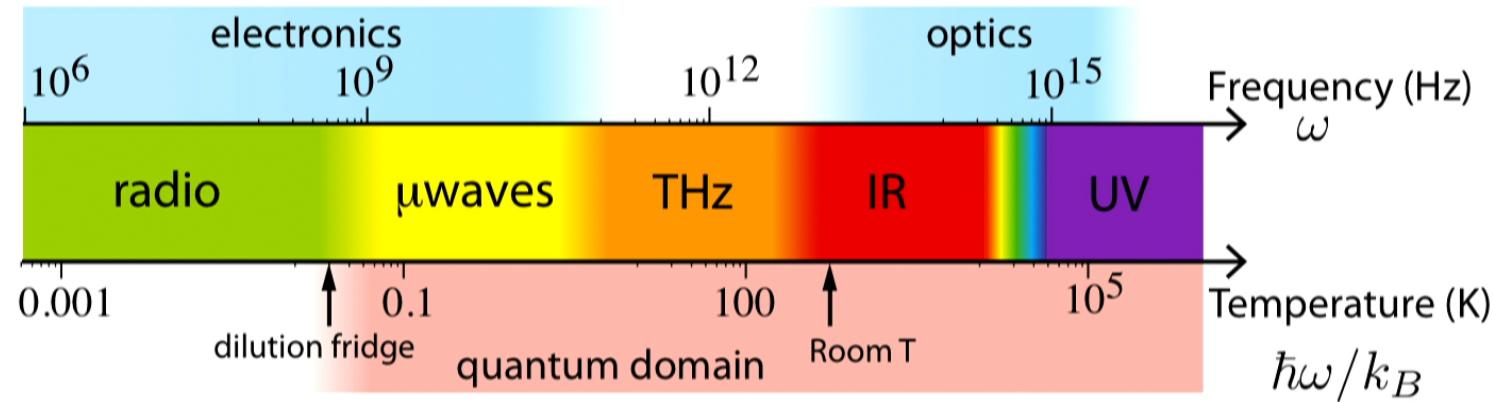
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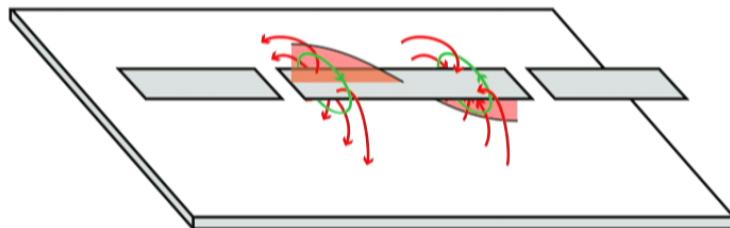
$$k_B T \ll \hbar\omega$$



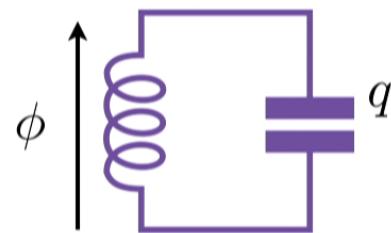
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# superconducting circuits



dissipationless LC circuit



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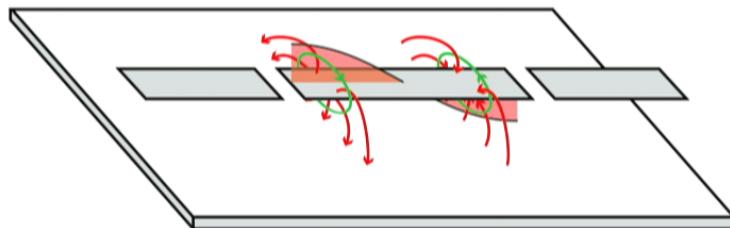
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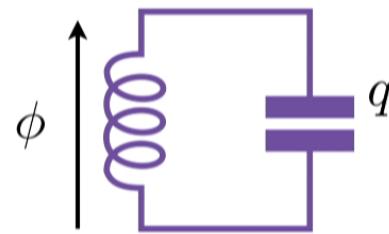
$$\hat{H} = \frac{k\hat{X}^2}{2} + \frac{\hat{P}^2}{2m}$$

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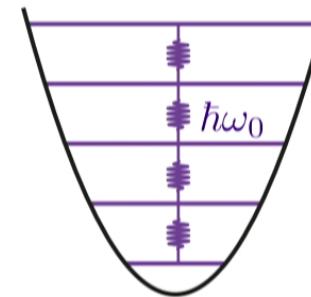


$$\hat{a} = \frac{\hat{\phi}/\phi_{ZPF} + i\hat{q}/q_{ZPF}}{2}$$

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....canonically quantized

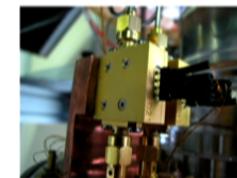


$$\hat{H} = \hbar\omega_0(\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a} + \frac{1}{2})$$

# Commercial toolbox for microwave optics



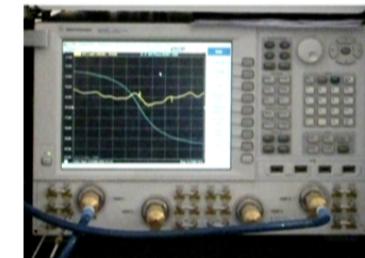
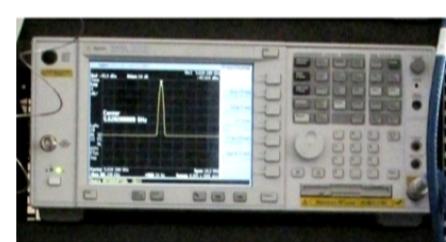
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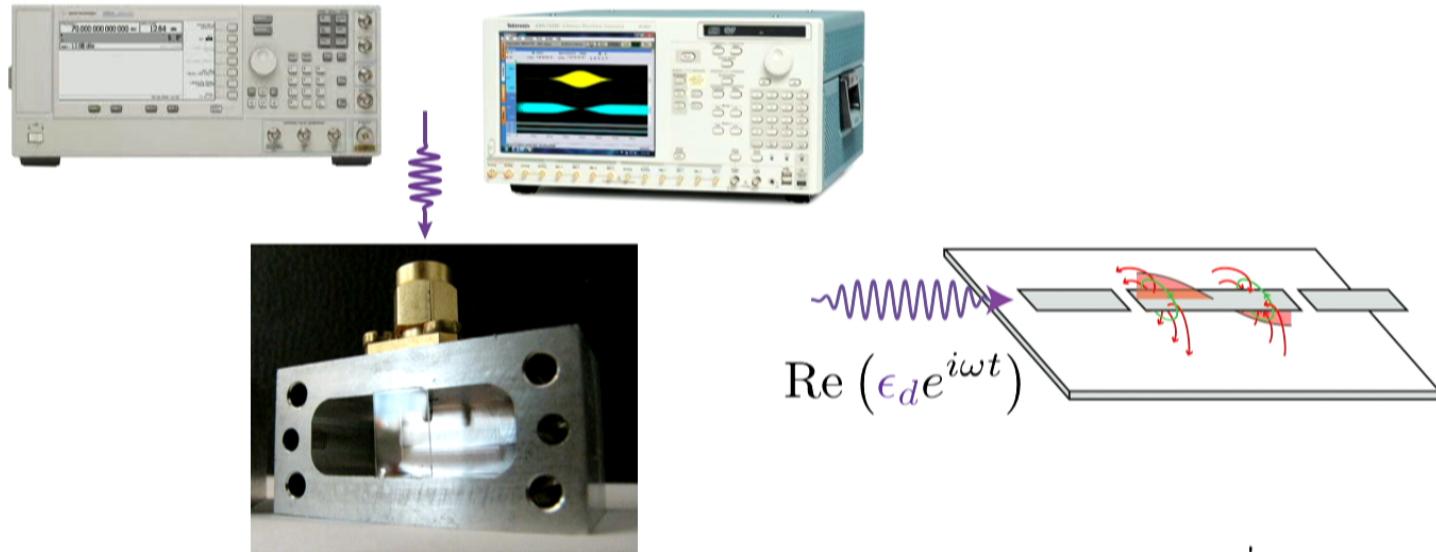
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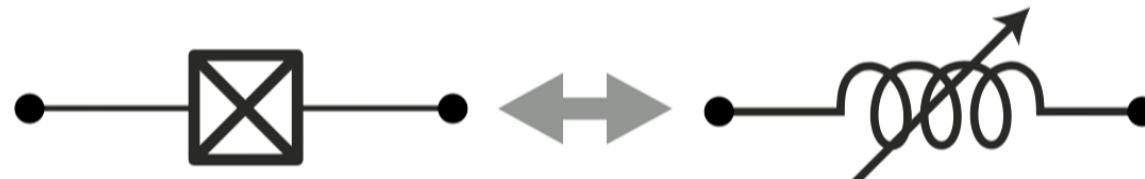
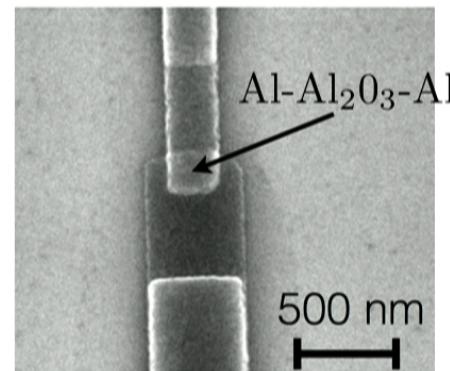
## Manipulating a microwave mode



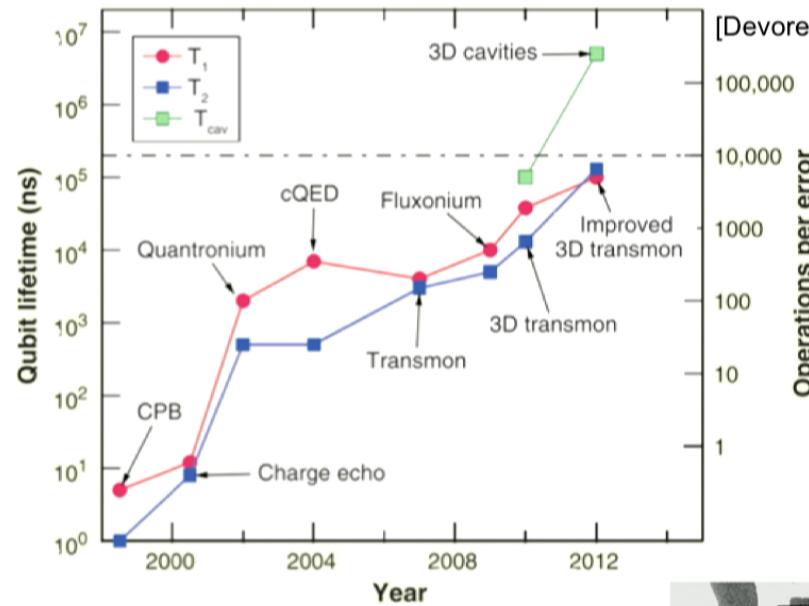
$$H = H_0 + \epsilon_d a^\dagger + \epsilon_d^* a$$

## Josephson junction

Josephson junction  
dissipationless non-linear inductor



# Superconducting qubits



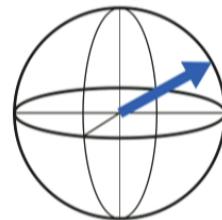
[Devoret & Schoelkopf, Science 2013 (Yale)]

$$\hat{H} = \frac{\hat{q}^2}{2C} - E_J \cos \frac{\hat{\phi}}{\hbar/2e}$$

$$+ H_{\text{Purcell}} \rightarrow 0.02 - 2 \text{ ppm}$$

$$+ H_{\text{qp}} \rightarrow 0.5 - 10 \text{ ppm}$$

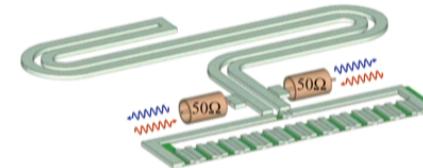
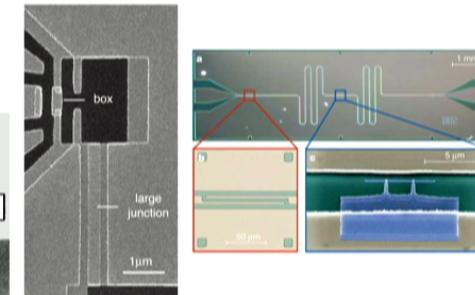
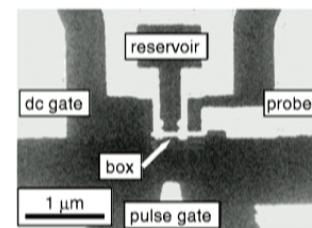
$$+ H? \rightarrow < 0.04 \text{ ppm}$$



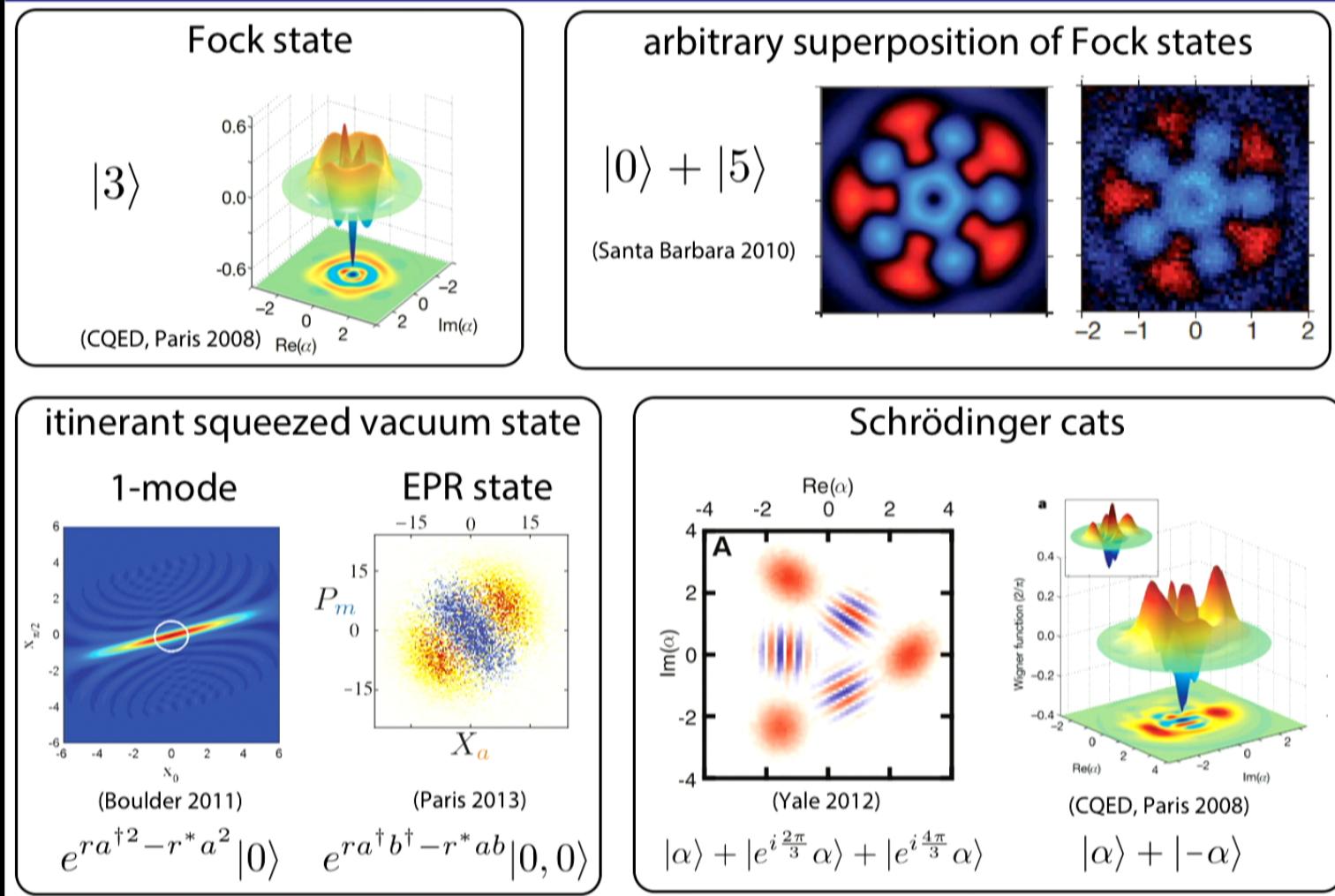
First Rabi oscillations in 1999 [Nakamura et al., Tsukuba]

Quantronium in 2002 [Vion et al., Saclay]

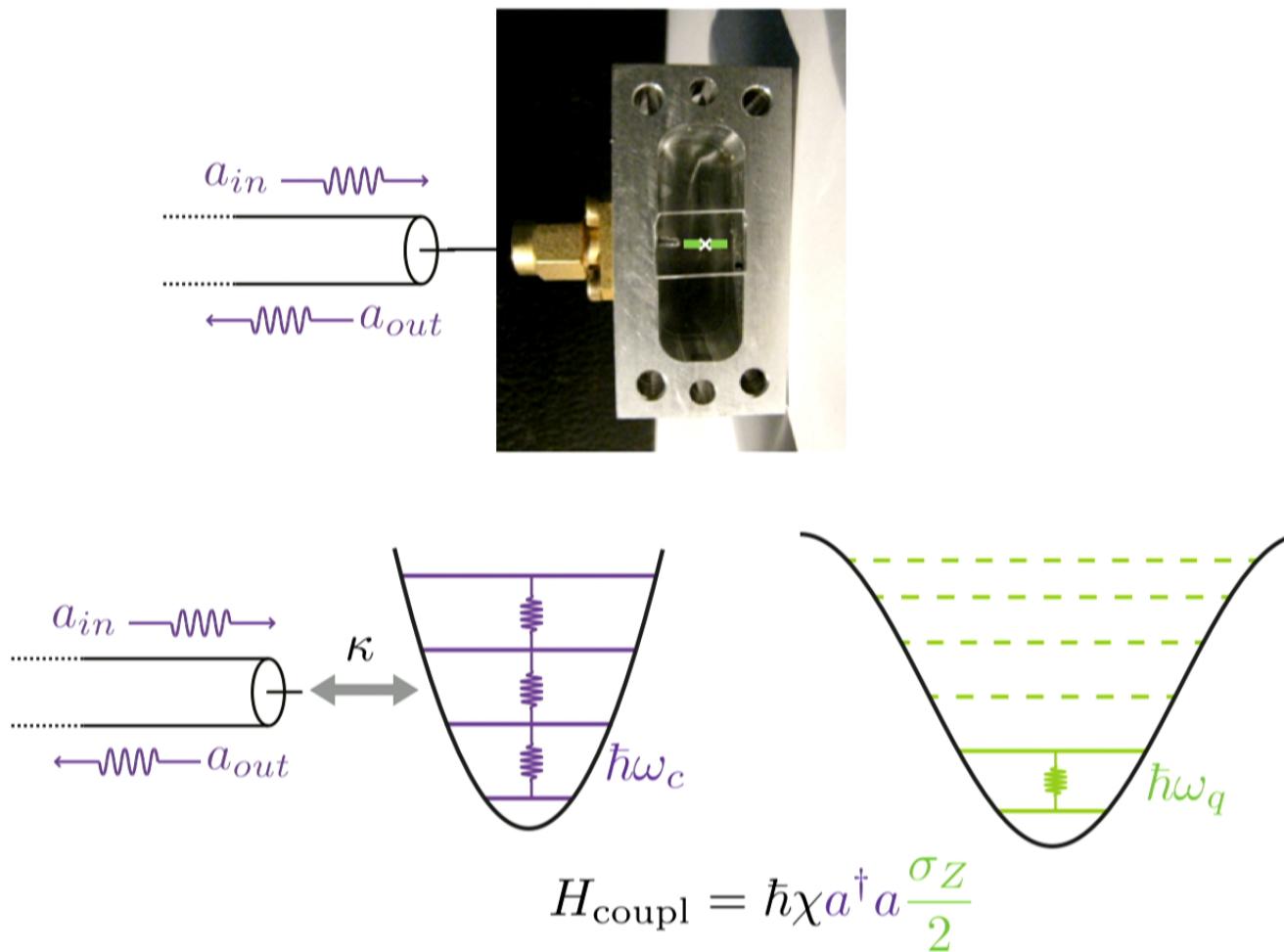
Charge qubit, phase qubit, flux qubit,  
transmon, fluxonium, Xmon...



# Non classical states in microwave quantum optics



## circuit-QED



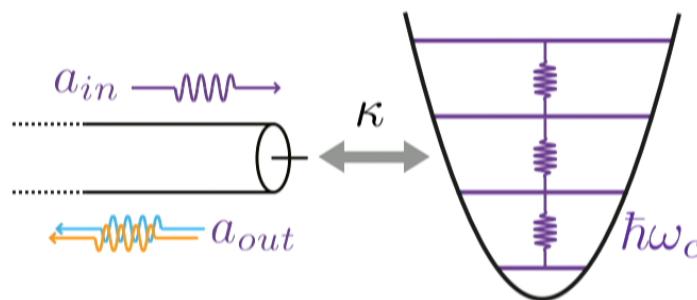
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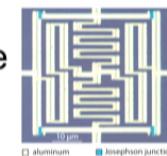
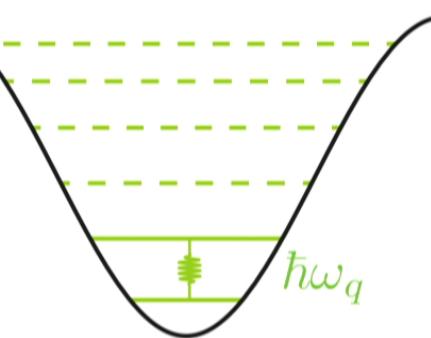
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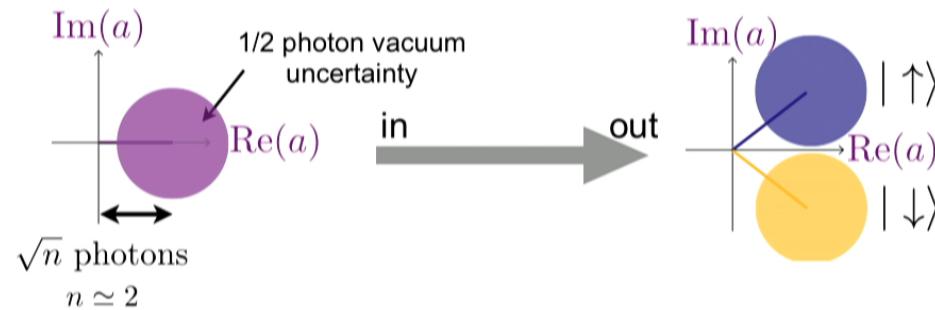
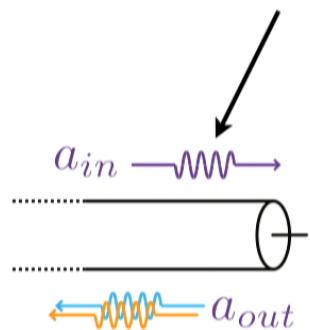


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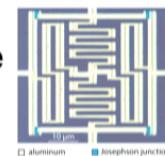
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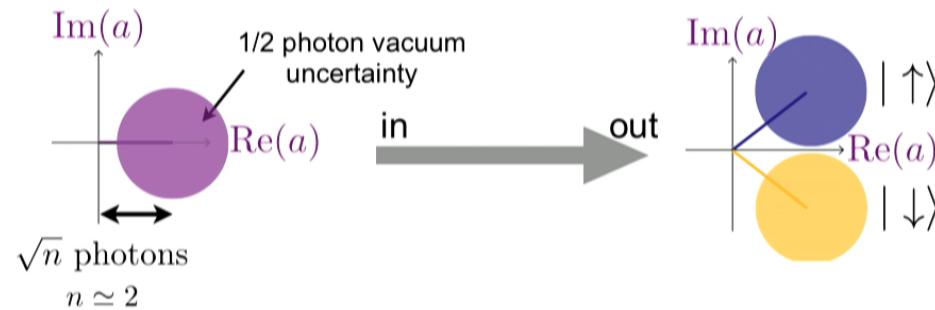
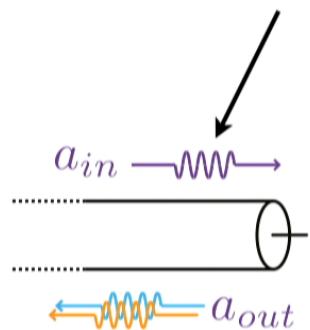


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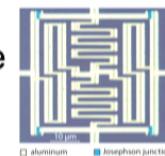
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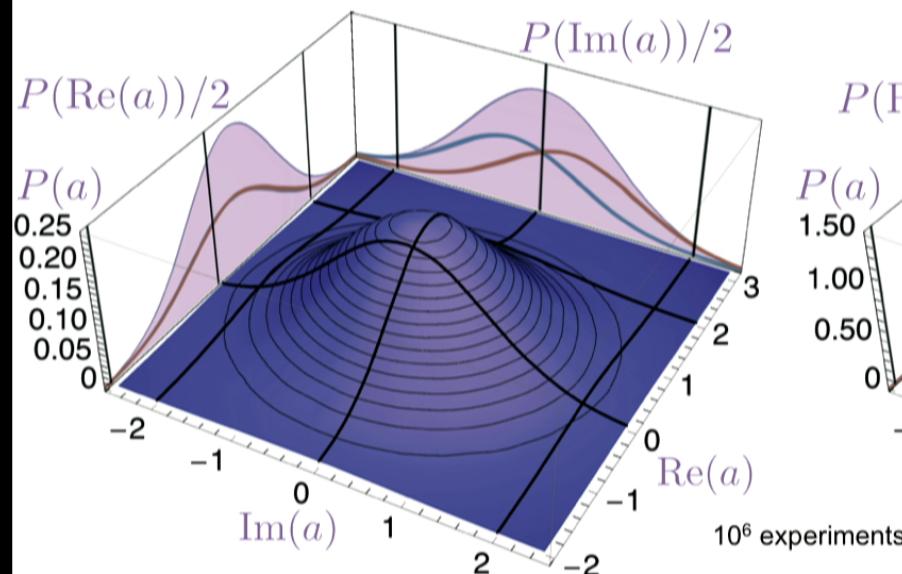


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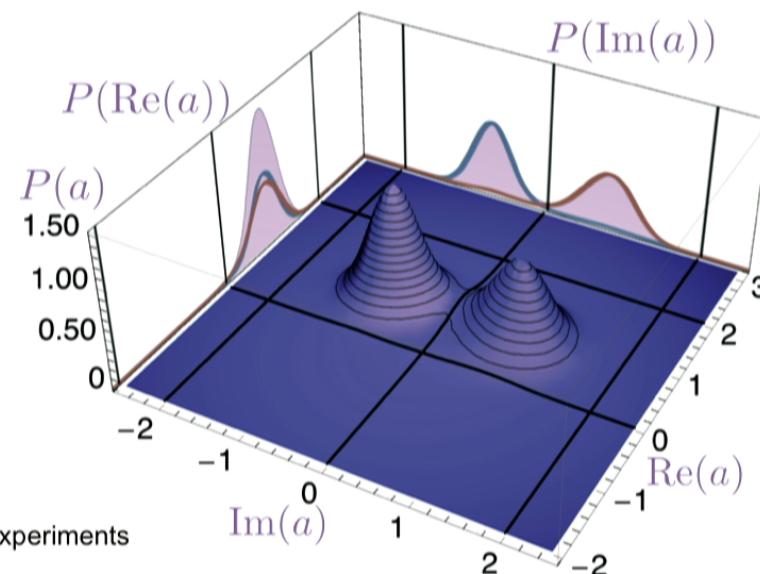
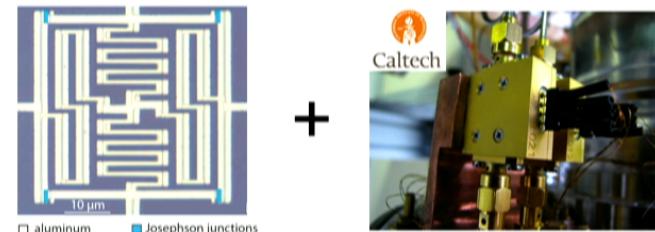


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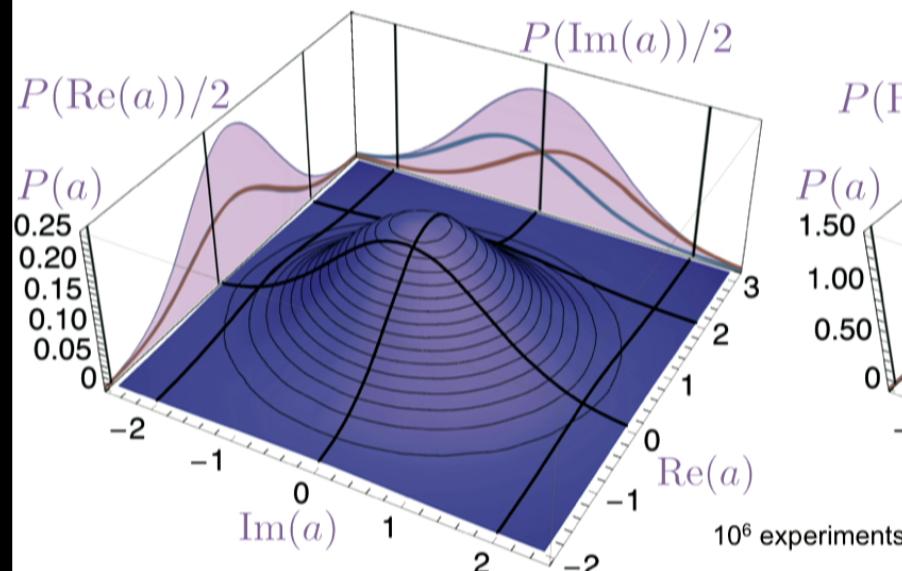
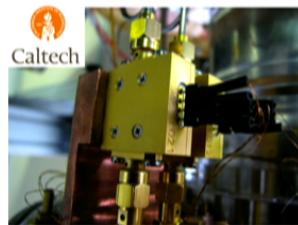
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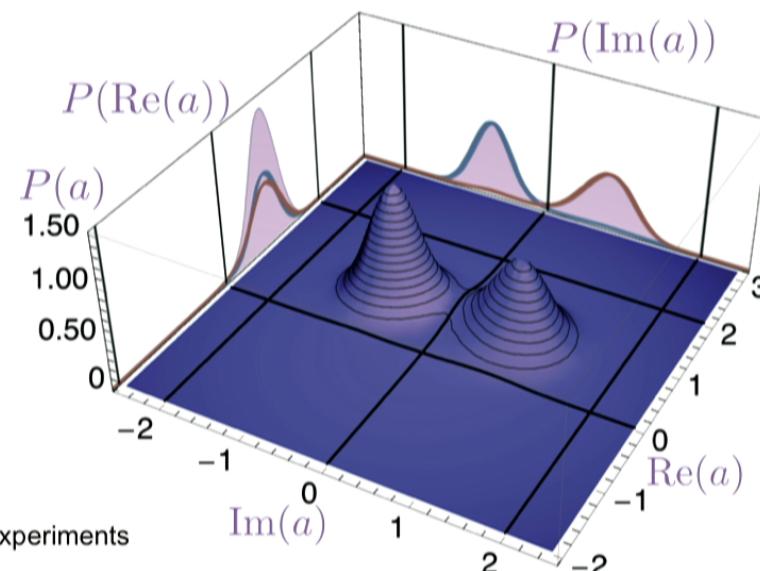
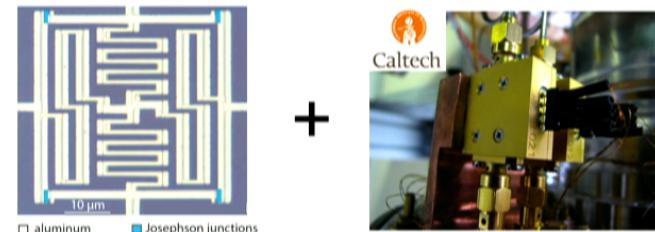
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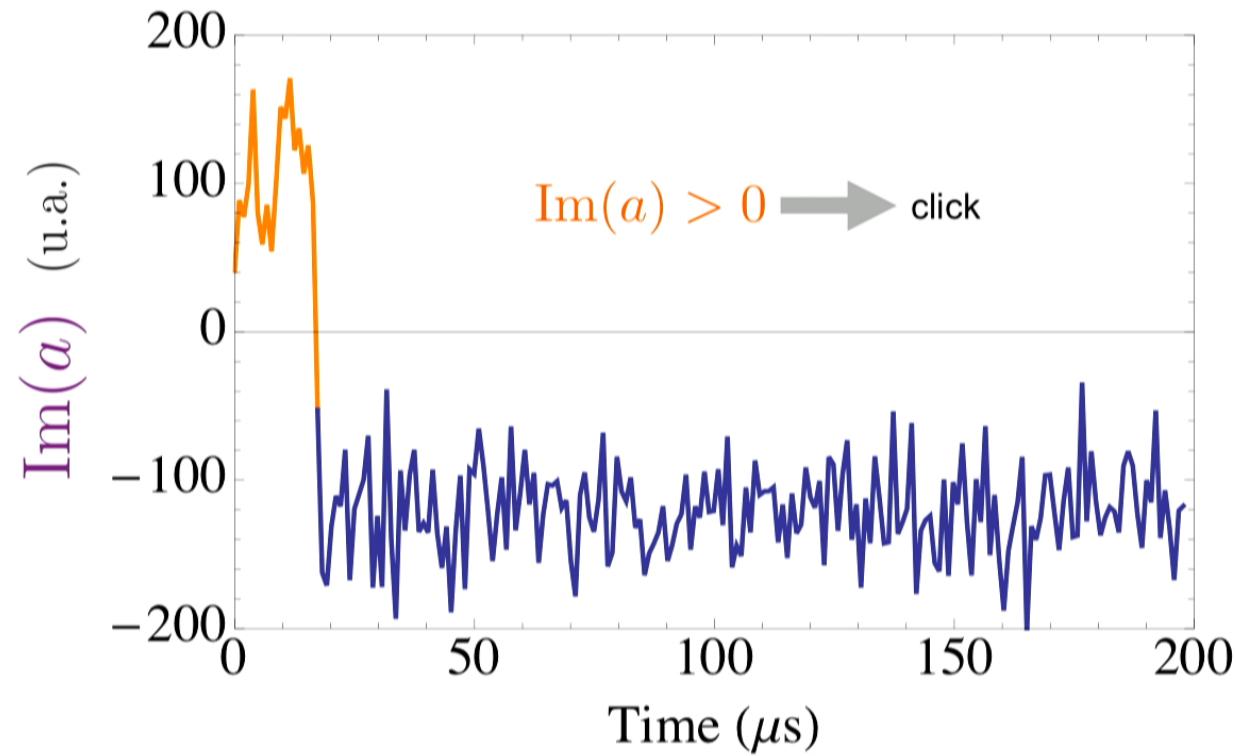
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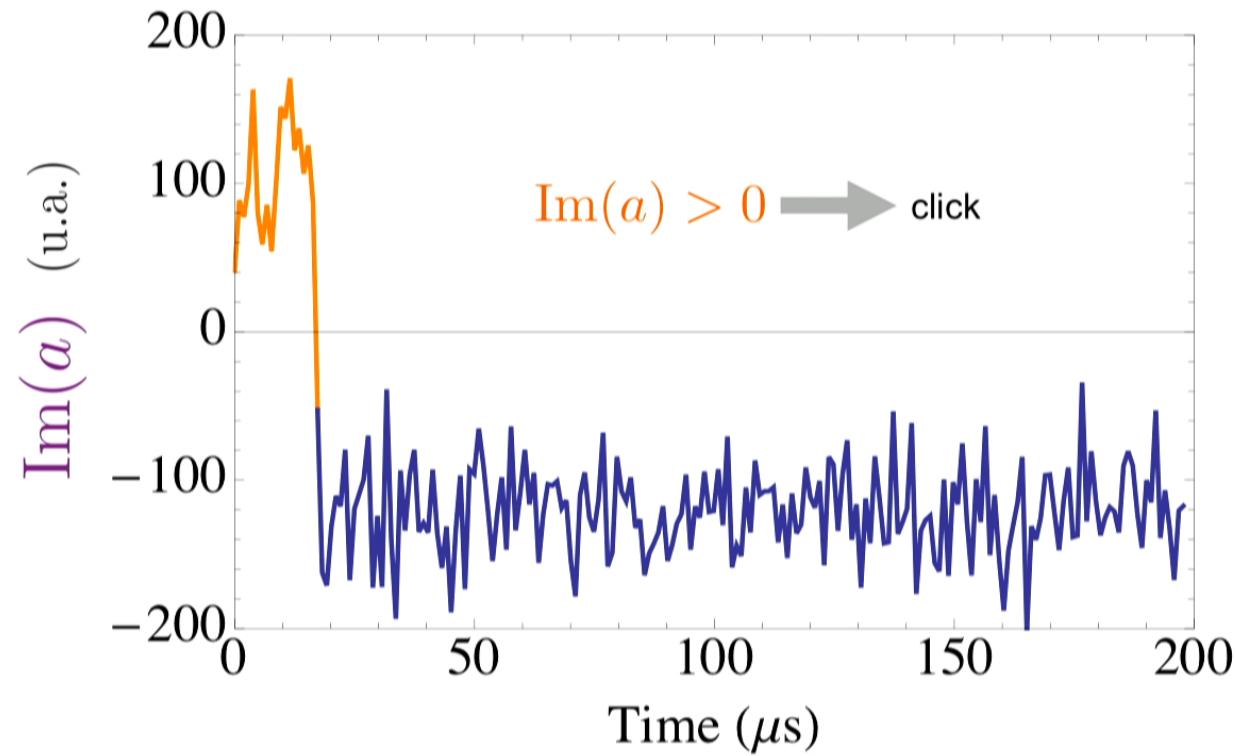
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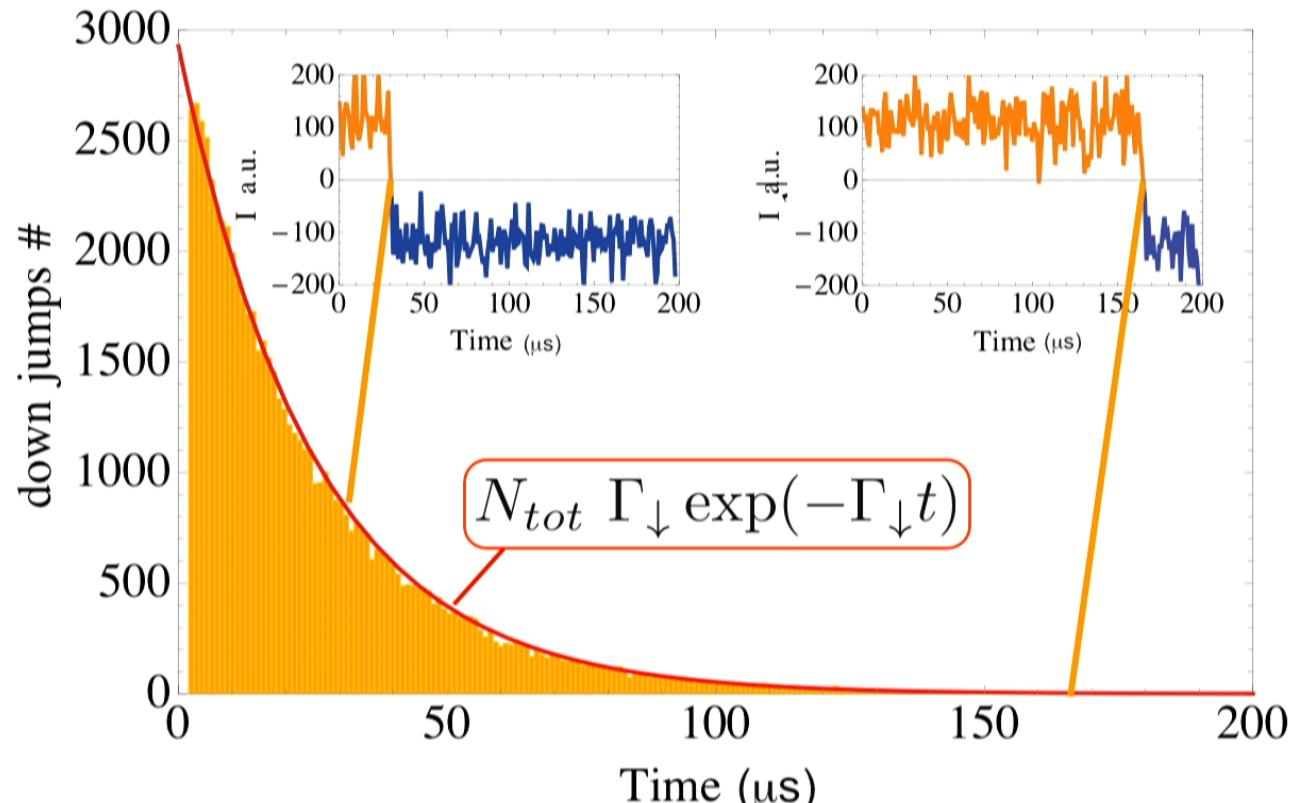
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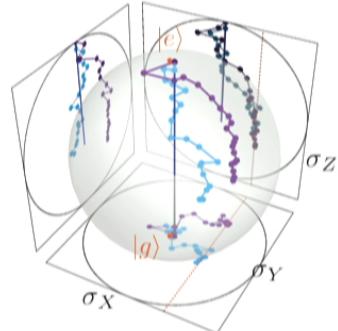


$$\frac{1}{\Gamma_\downarrow} \approx T_1 = 26 \text{ } \mu\text{s}$$

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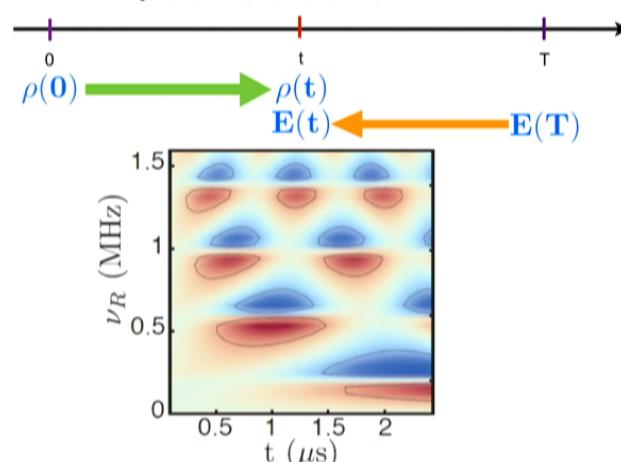
# Quantum measurement backaction

## quantum trajectories



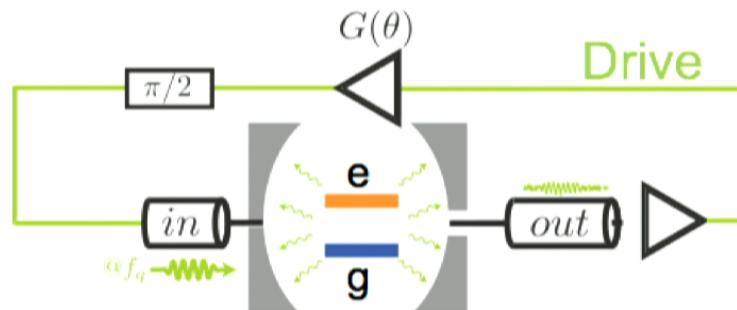
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 [Jordan et al., Quantum Studies: Math and Foundations 2016]

## post-selection



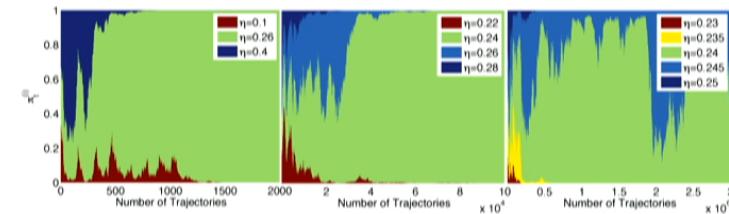
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## quantum feedback



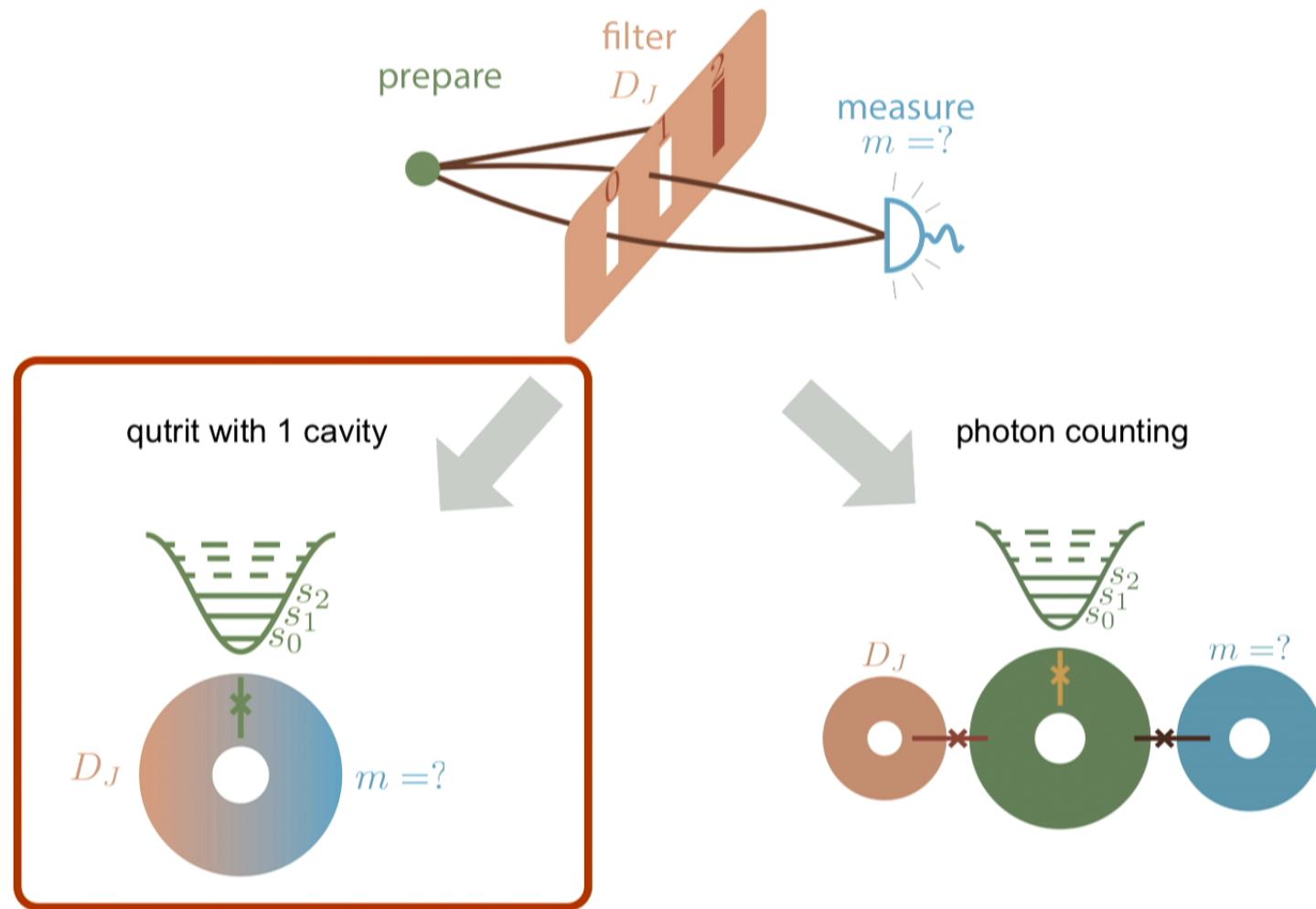
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## parameter estimation

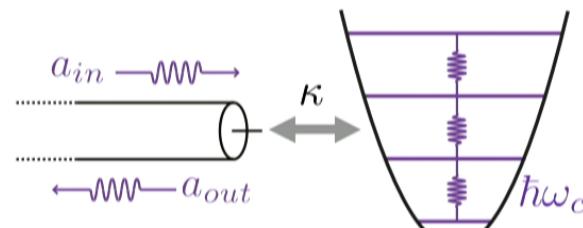


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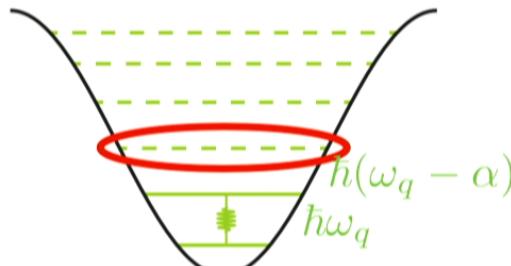


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→  $\omega_r = \omega_c$

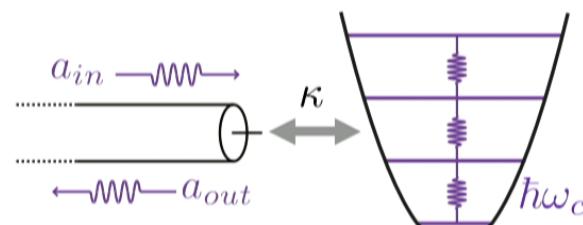
$|0\rangle$  →  $\omega_r = \omega_c - \chi$

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$|2\rangle$

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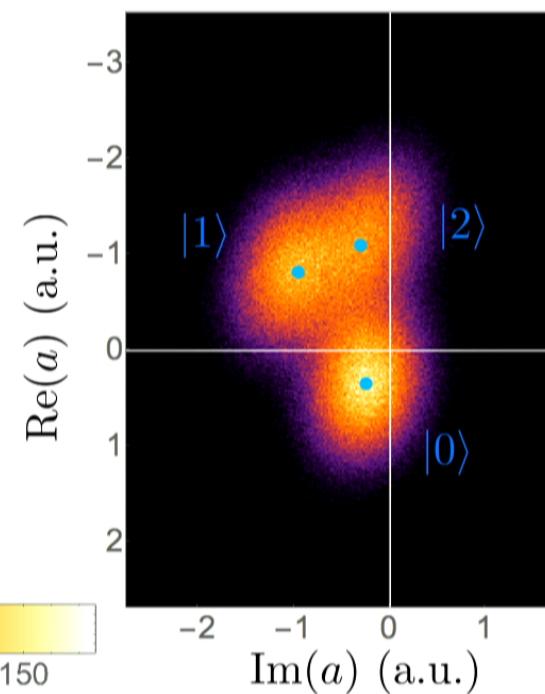
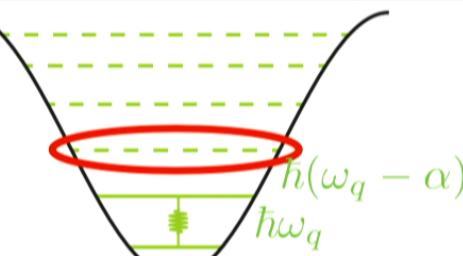
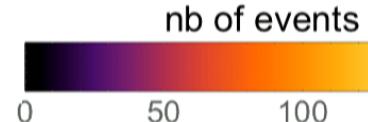
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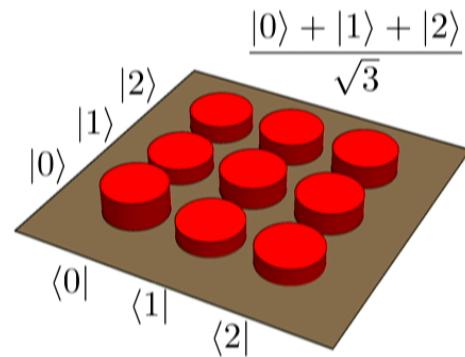
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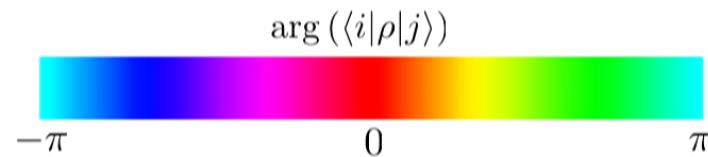
$$Y_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{(12)} Y_{2 \arccos(3^{-1/2})}^{(01)} |0\rangle$$



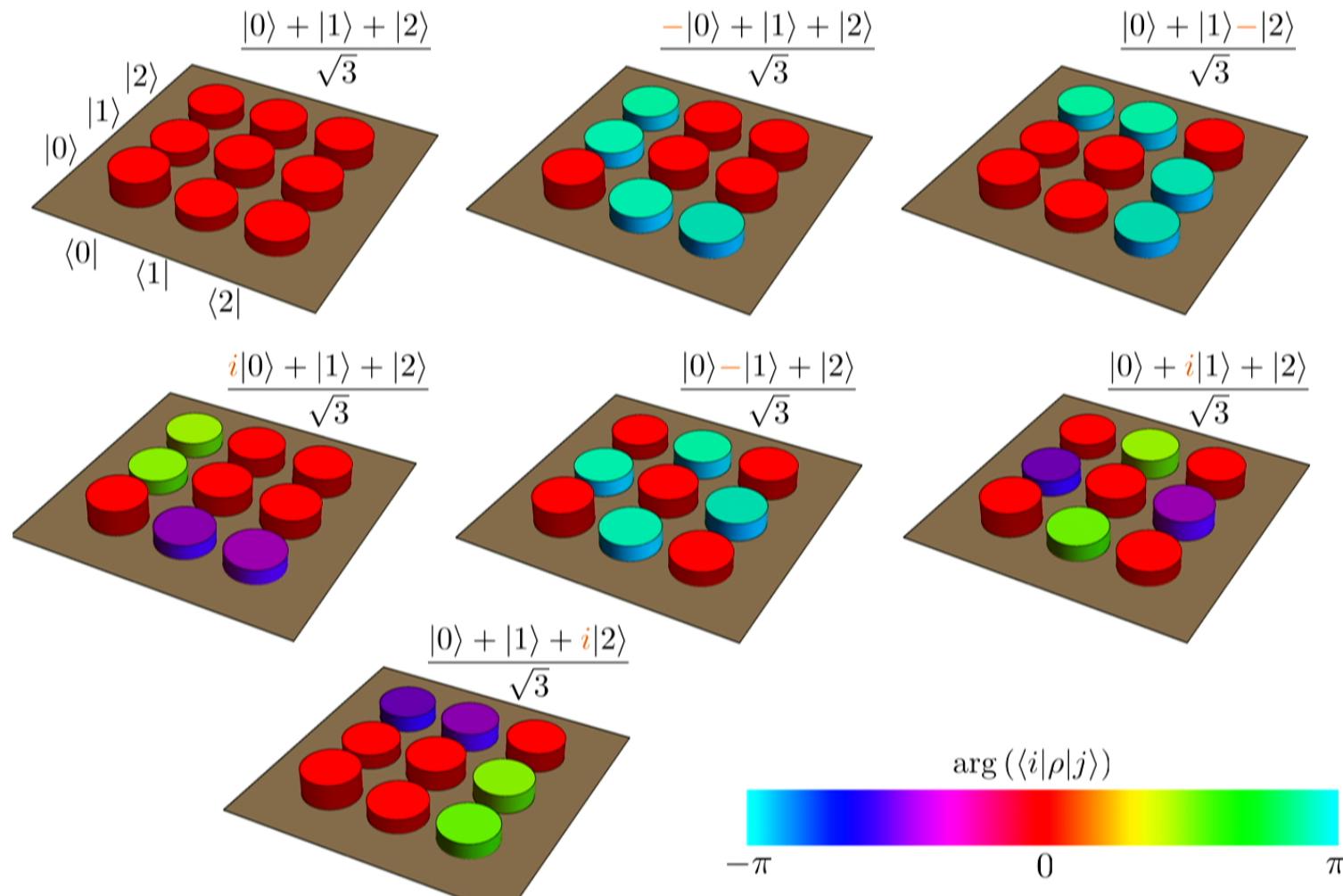
tomography

$$1, X_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{(01)}, Y_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{(01)}, X_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{(12)}, Y_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{(12)}, X_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{(12)} X_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{(01)}, Y_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{(12)} X_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{(01)}$$

then measure  $p_0, p_1, p_2$  using heterodyne dispersive measurement



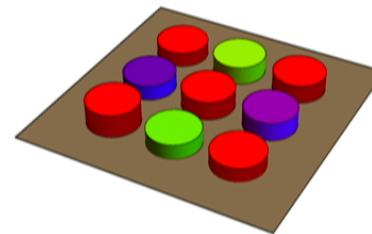
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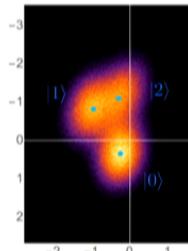
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probe at  $\omega_p \approx \omega_c - \chi$



$$D_{\{01\}}, D_{\{12\}}, D_{\{02\}}$$

need same outcome for two j's  
possible by tuning probe  
**but prone to errors**



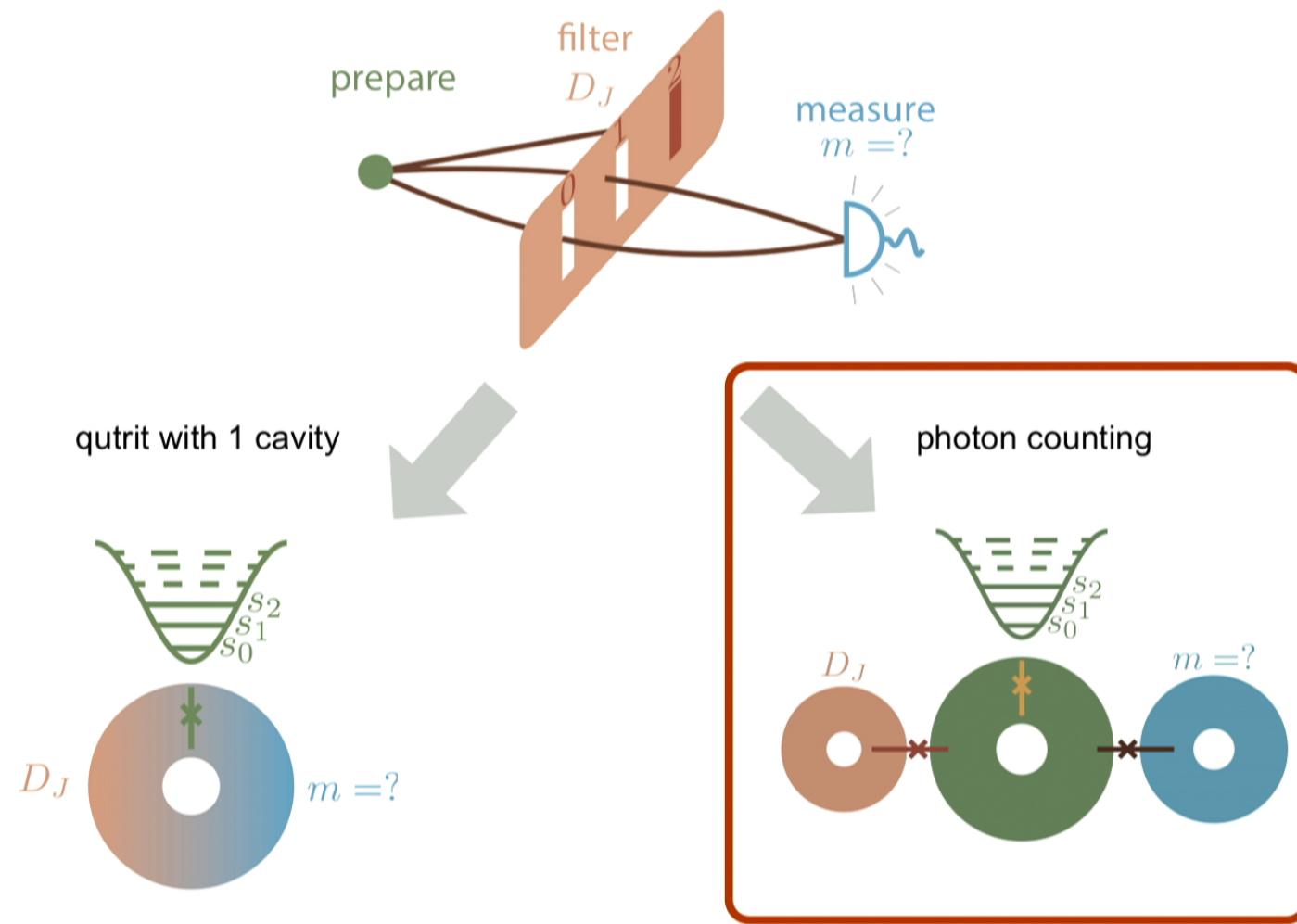
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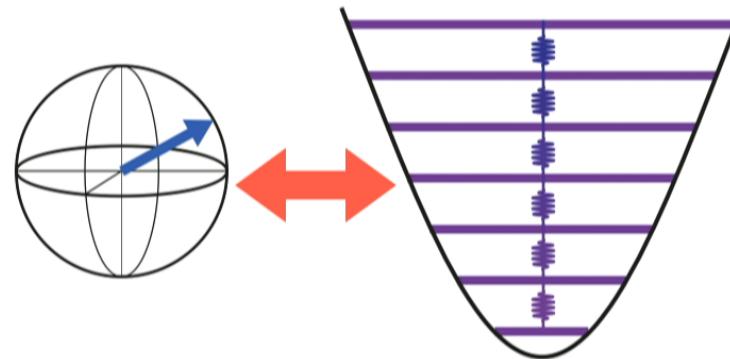
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## Two possible ways



## Qubit as a photocounter



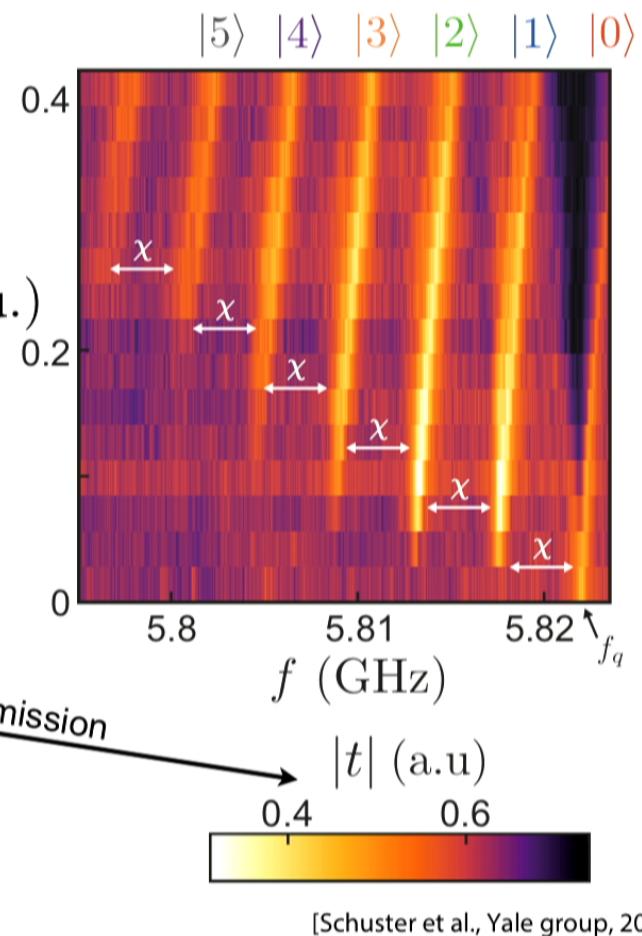
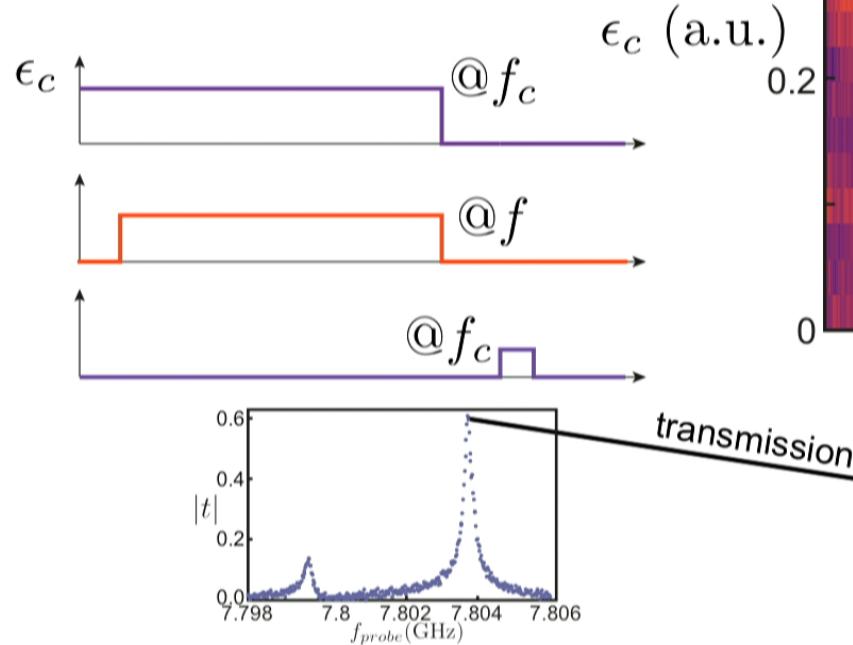
$$H = h f_c a^\dagger a + h f_q |e\rangle\langle e| - h \chi a^\dagger a |e\rangle\langle e|$$

7.8 GHz                    5.6 GHz                    4.6 MHz

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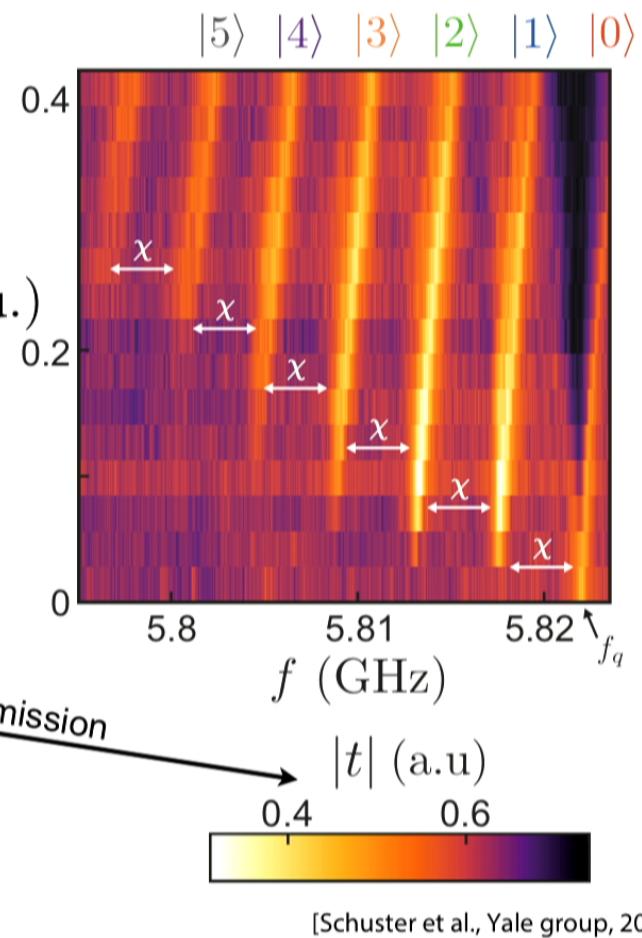
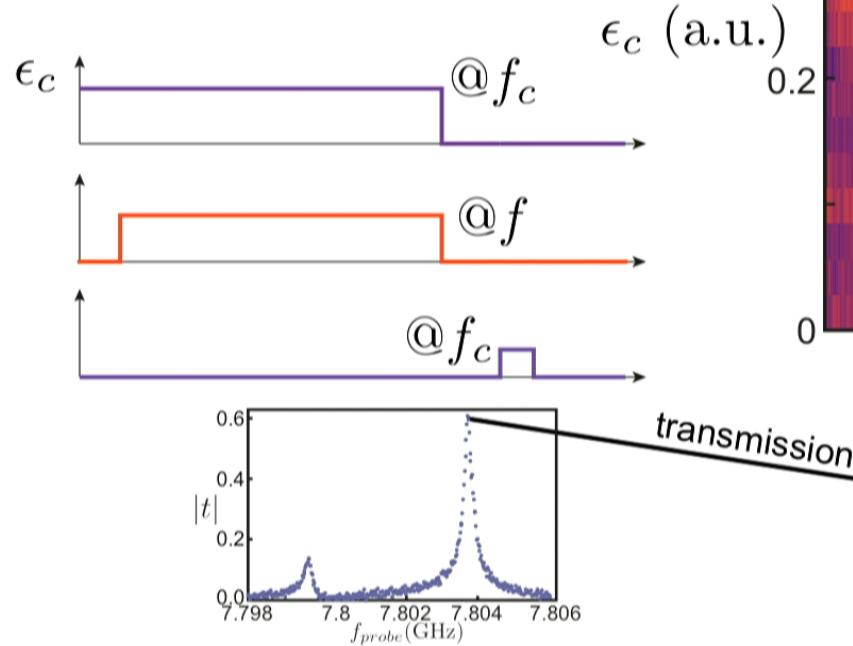


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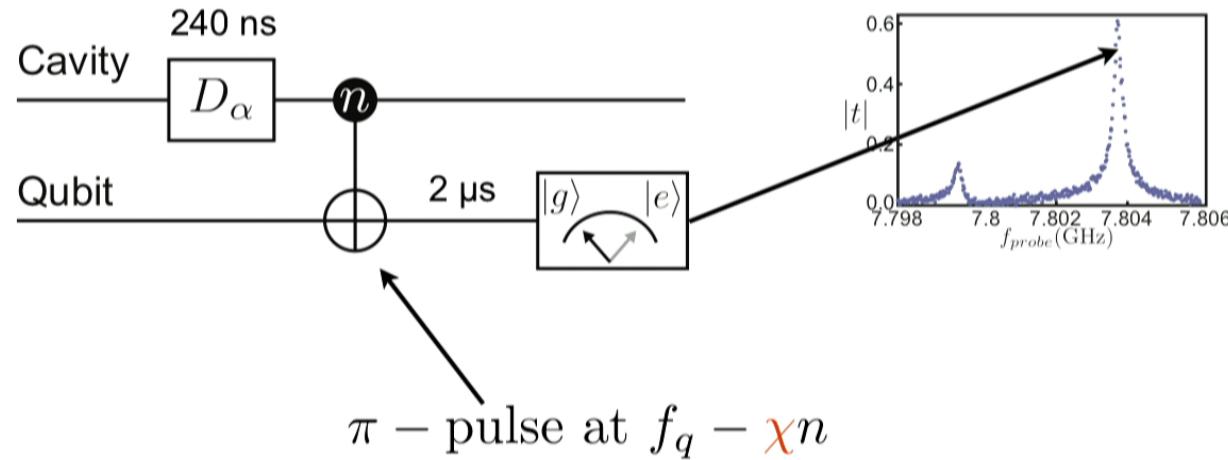
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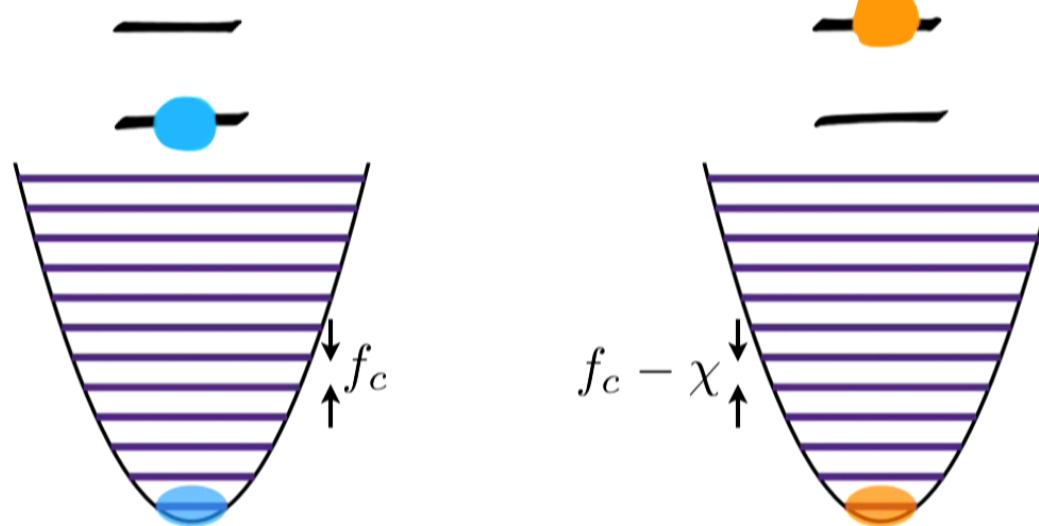
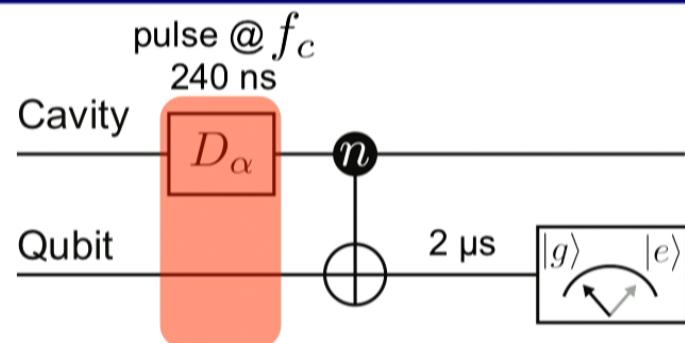
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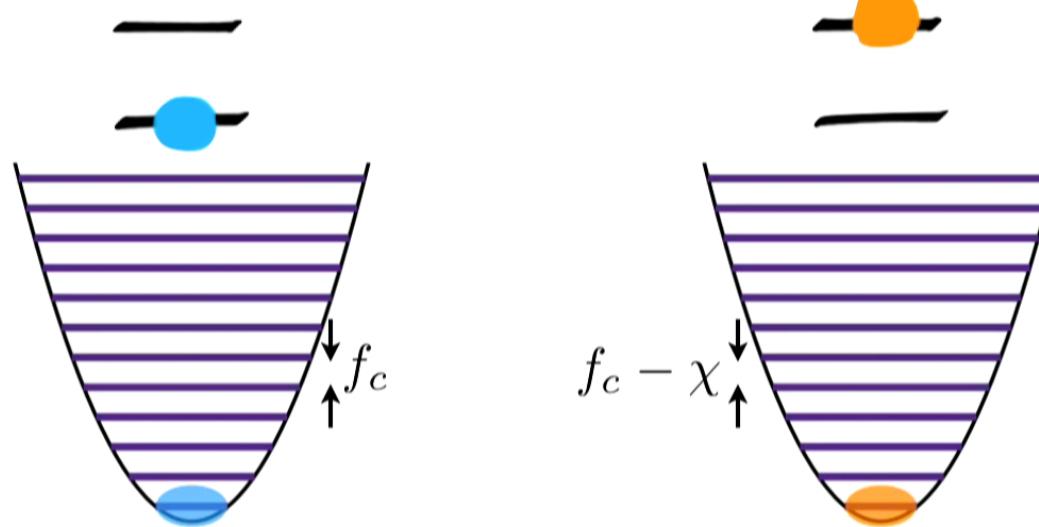
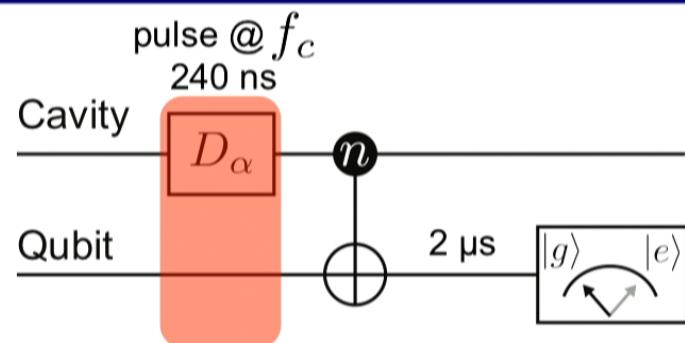


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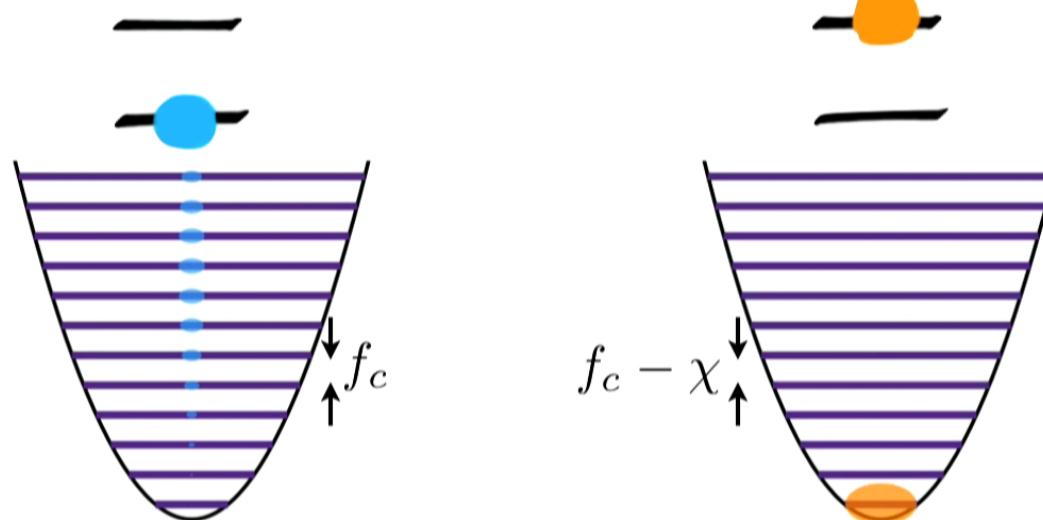
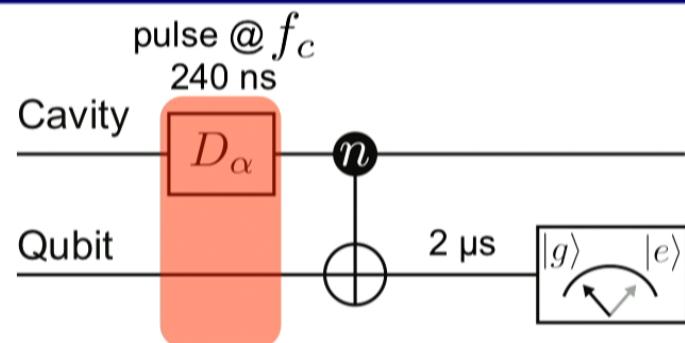
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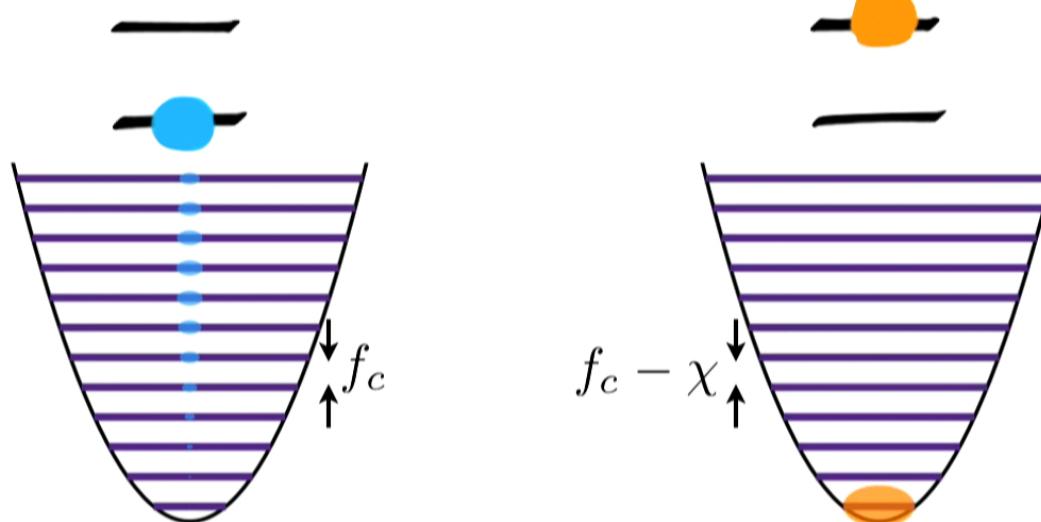
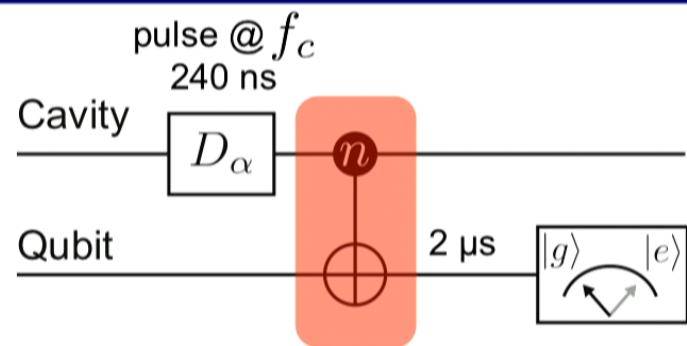
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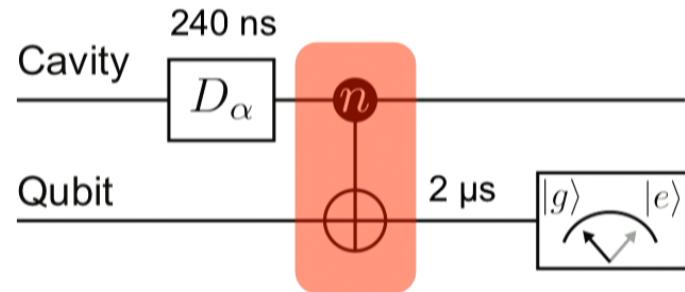
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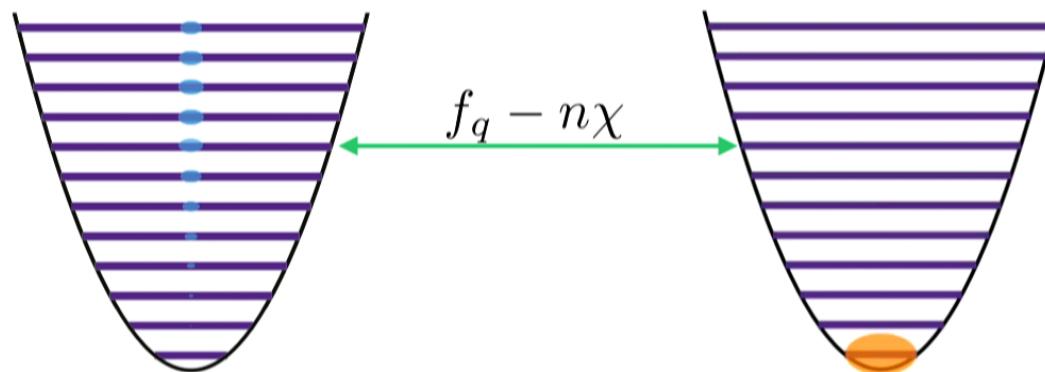
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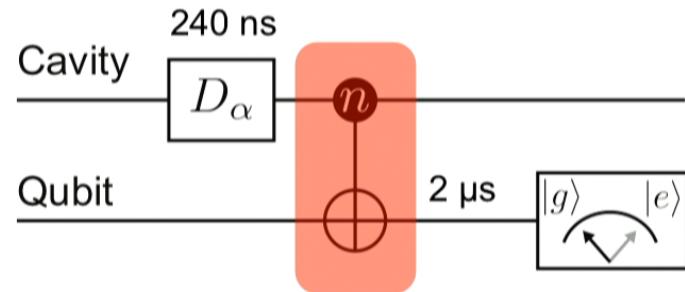
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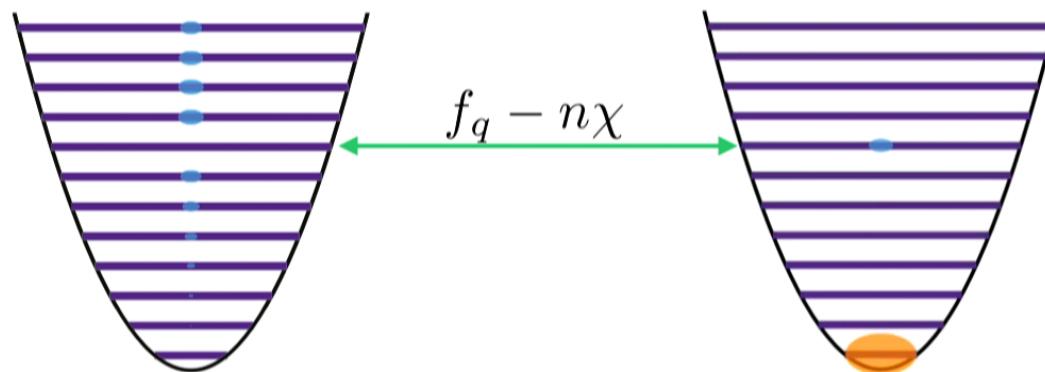
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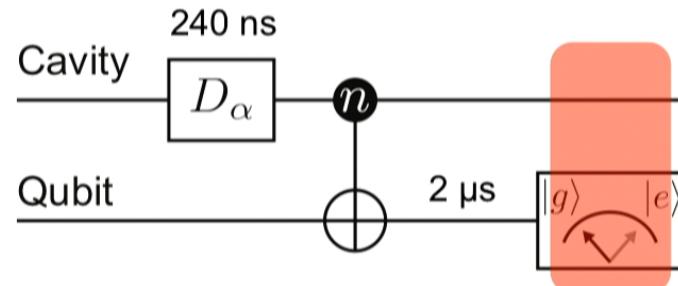
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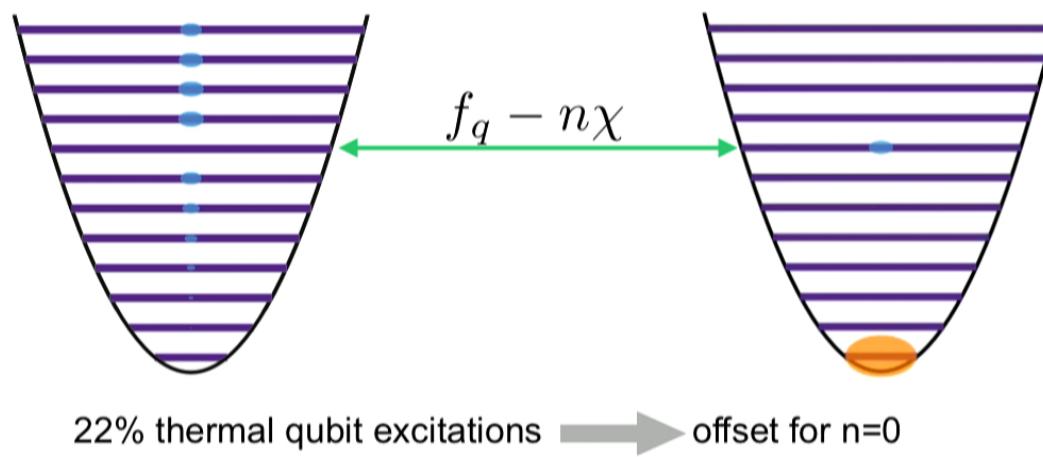
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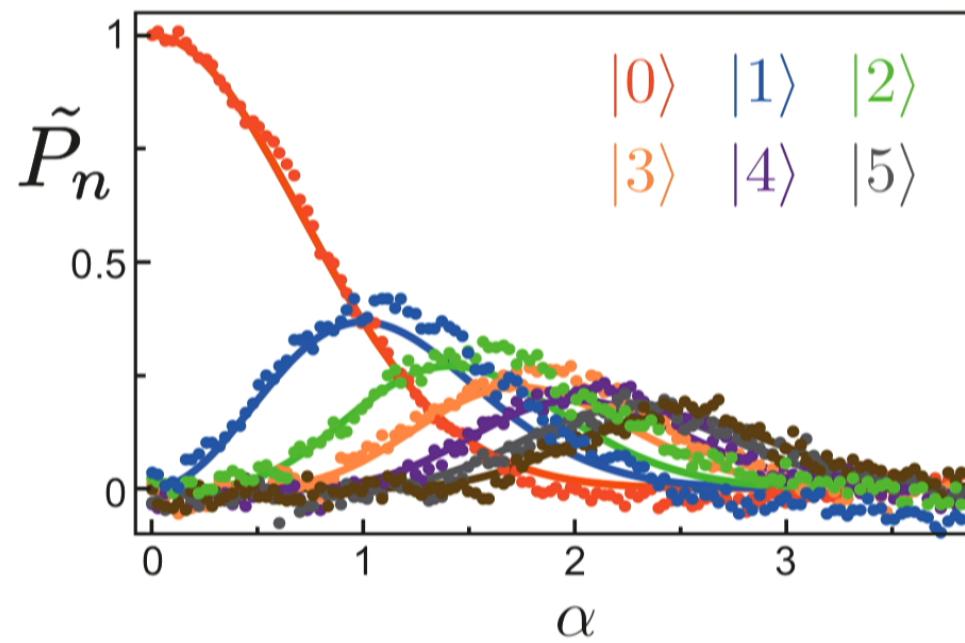
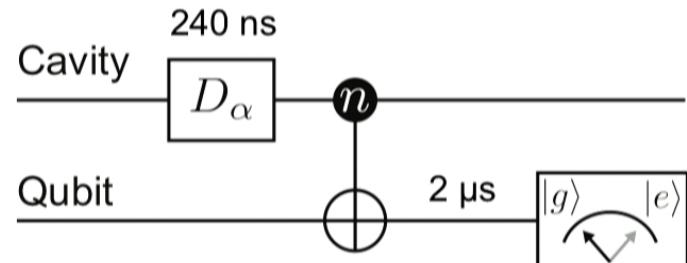
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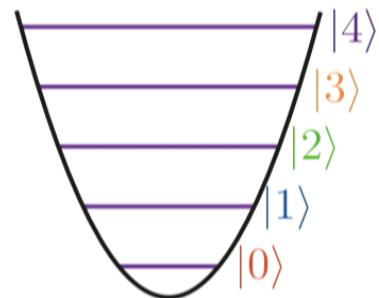
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## Application: quantum Zeno Dynamics of light



Probe qubit at  
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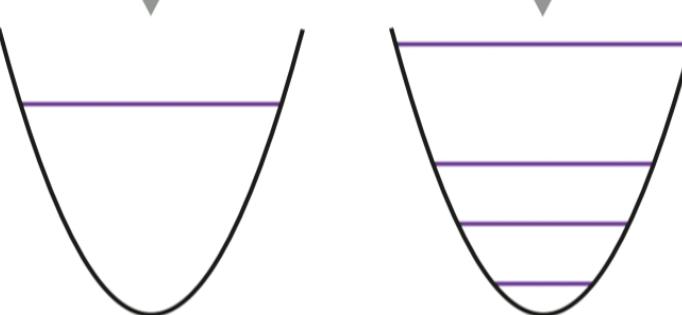
$|3\rangle$

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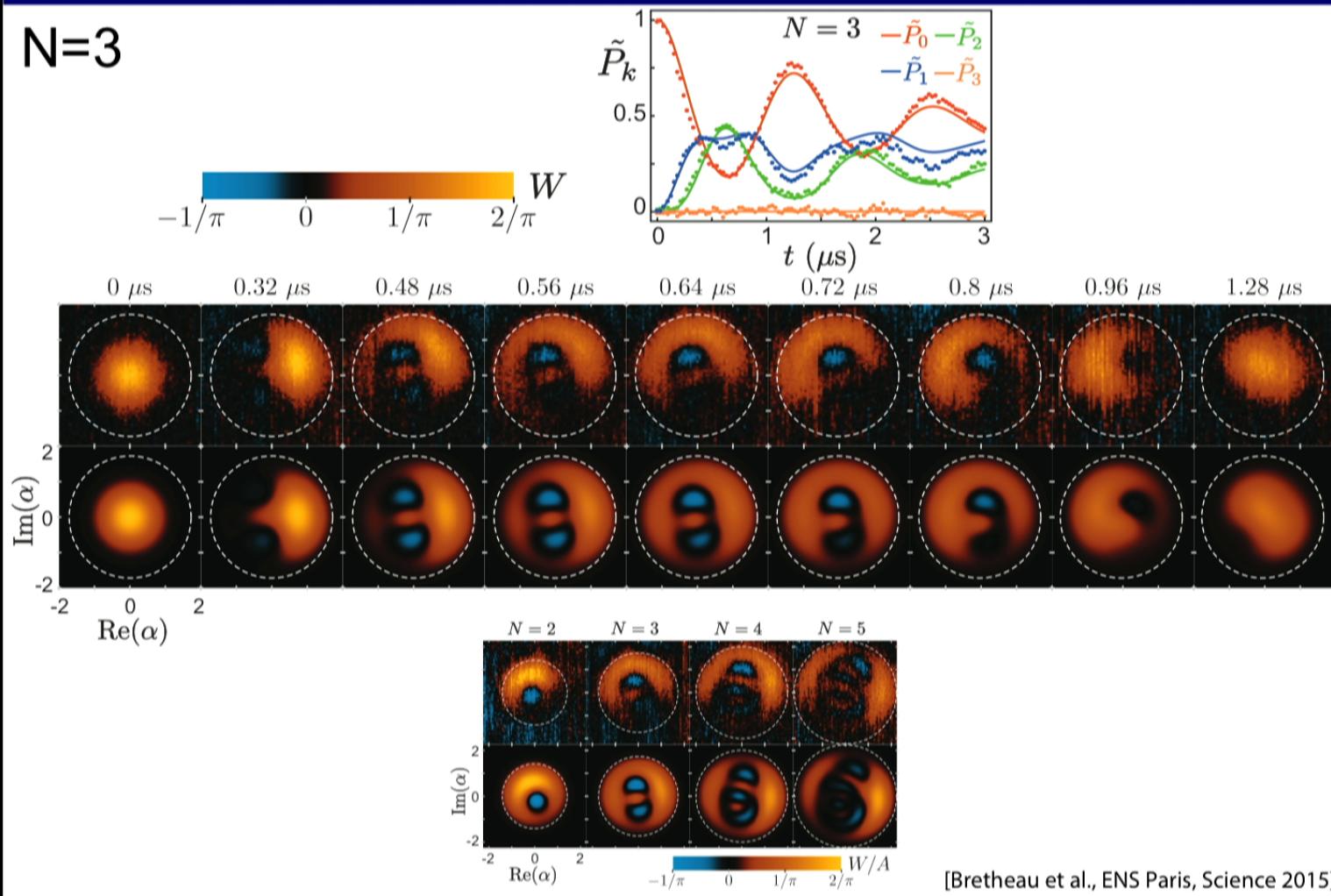
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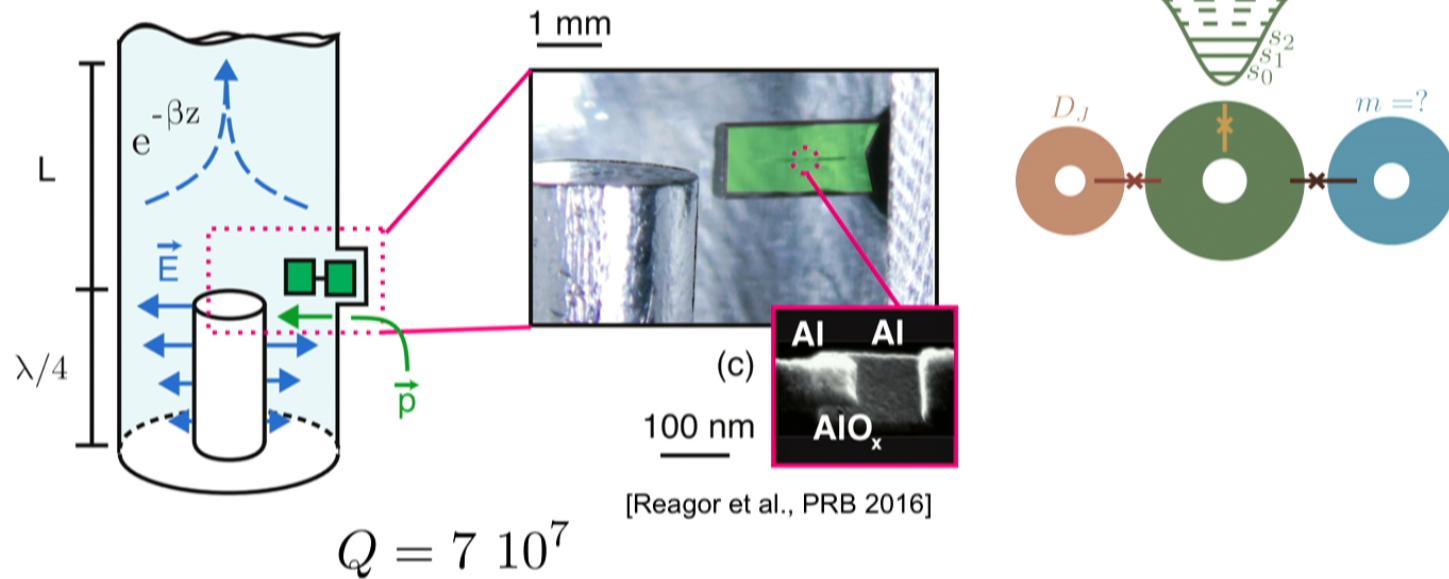
## Wigner function in time

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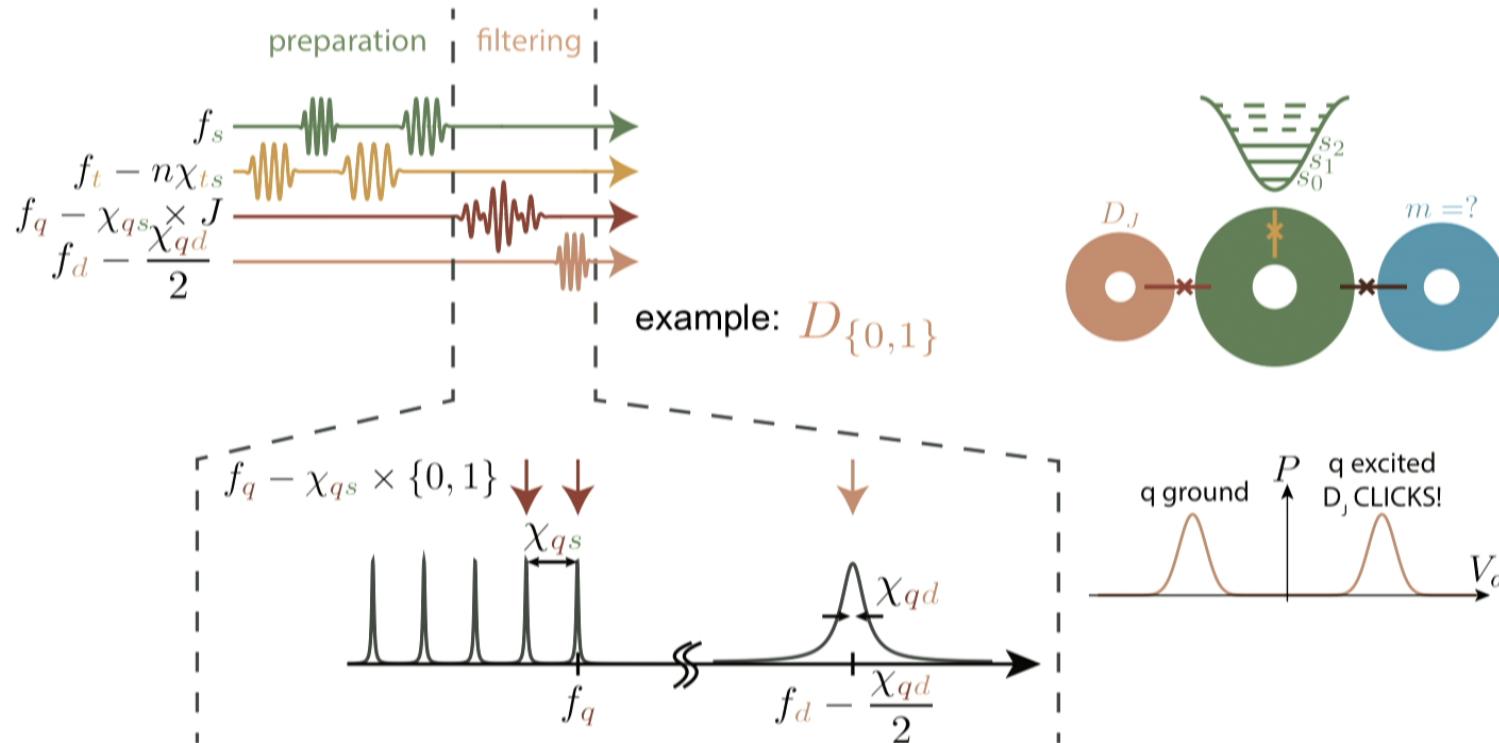
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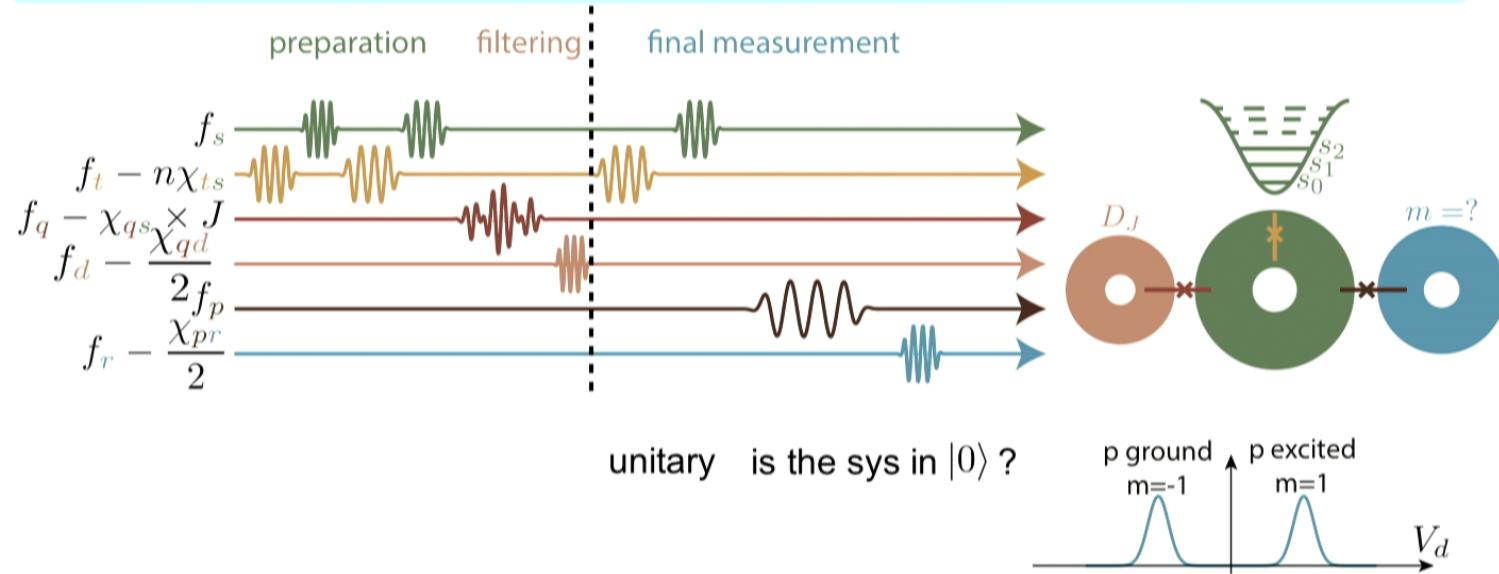
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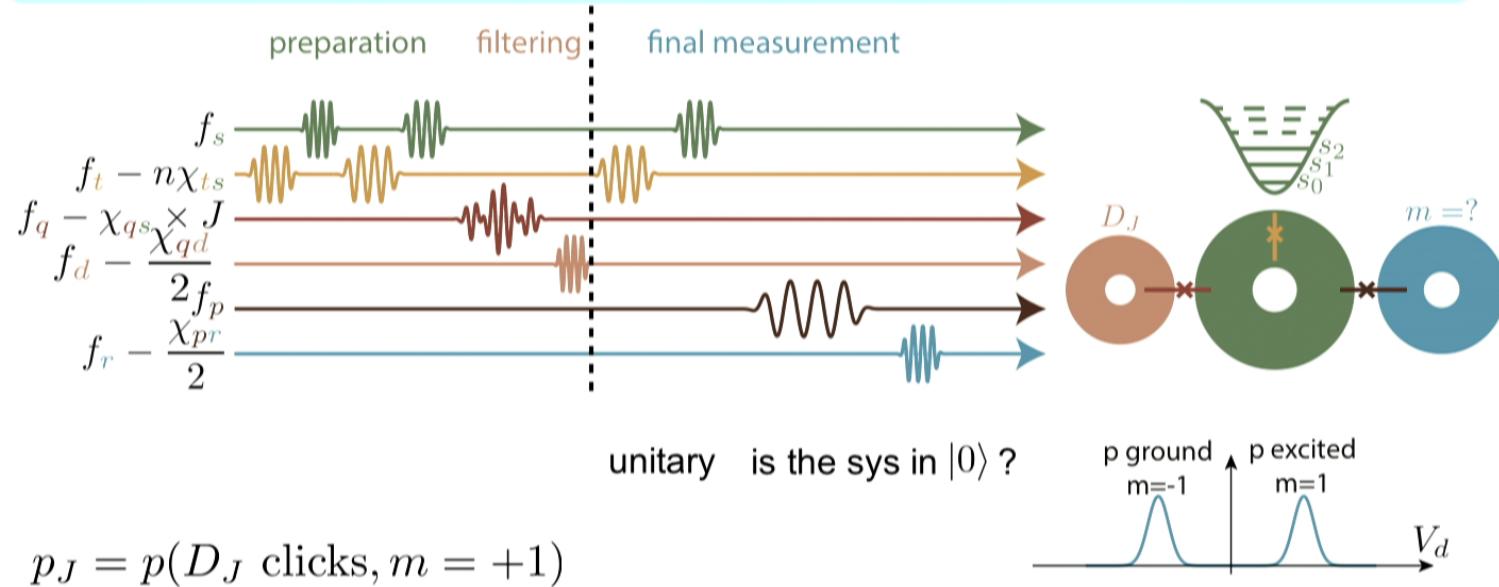
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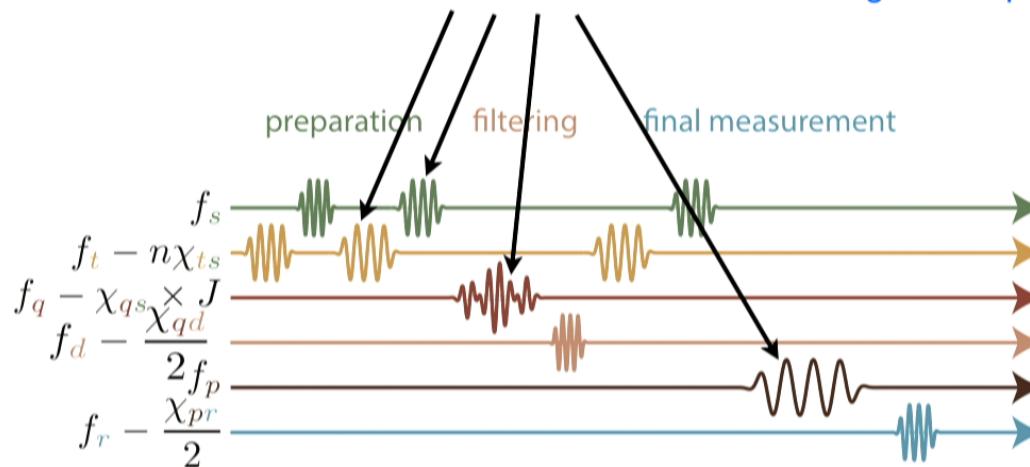
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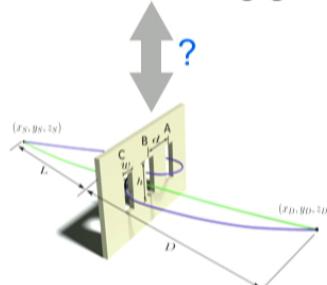


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gate error for preparation and measurements  
state of the art is  $10^{-3}$  error leading to  $10^{-4}$  precision on  $\kappa$



entanglement with other modes during gates



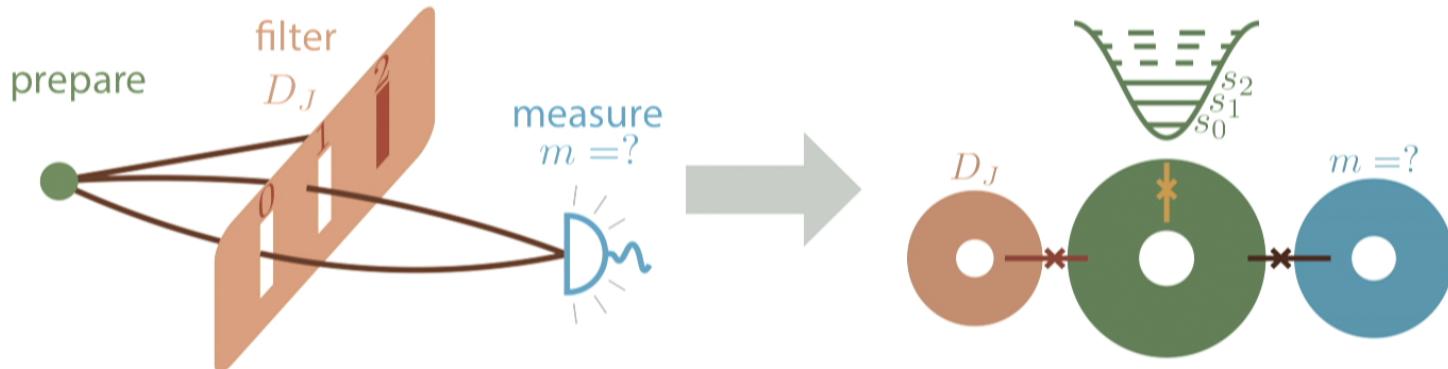
leak of the system into higher excited states

cancels out since no DJ will click

see Urbasi's talk

readout error / decoherence of the system during measurement  
peak discrimination better than  $10^{-5}$   
current limitation: qubit lifetime leading to  $10^{-3}$  on  $\kappa$

## What would superconducting circuits hopefully bring?



**Single system** manipulation and measurement so that  
 $D_J$  corresponds to a **projective transformation**

→ work directly with event probabilities as in GPTs  
and avoid parasitic effects in the modeling of actual slits

**Spatial (+ energy OR phase) degeneracy between alternatives**

→ avoid possible interference suppression due to relativistic  
structure of space-time [Garner, Müller and Dahlsten arxiv:1412.7112]

**Any** input state and **any** final measurement can be realized

Predicted **precision** similar or better than single photons or spin liquids  $I_3 \lesssim 10^{-3} I_2$

# Thanks



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