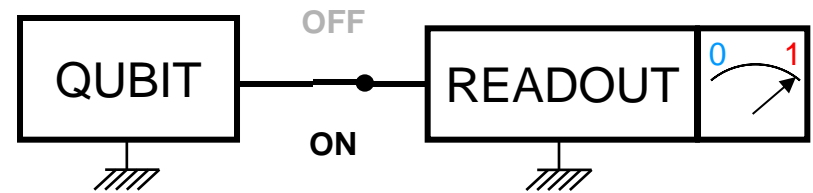
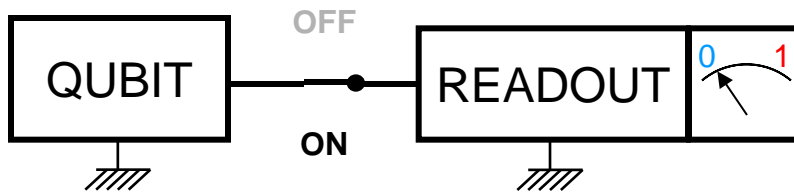
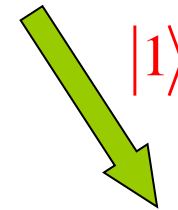
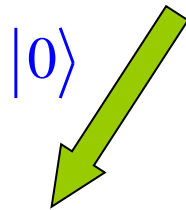
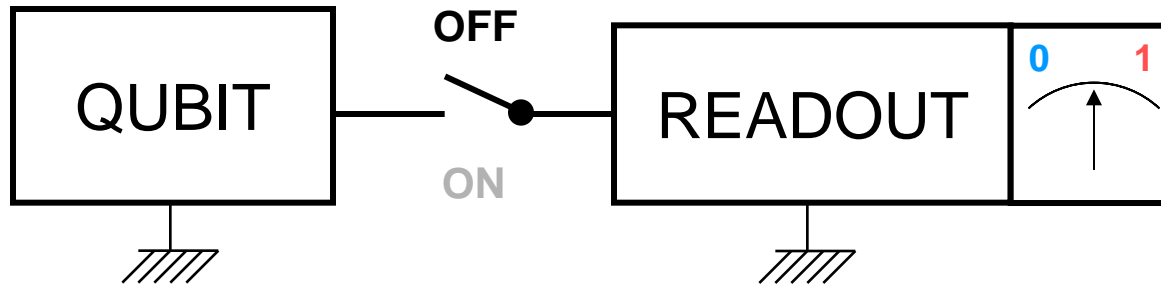


# Read-Out ...

... of a superconducting charge qubit

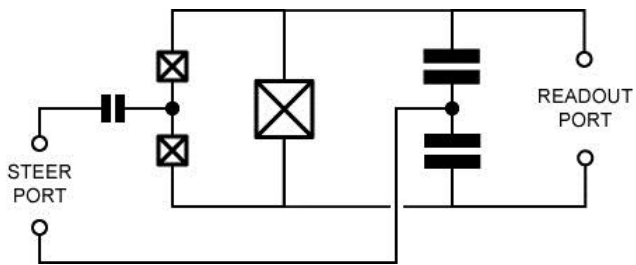
# Qubit Read Out



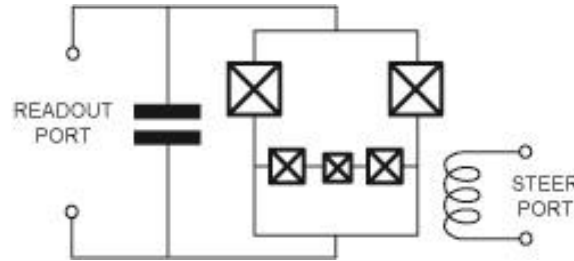
desired: good on/off ratio  
no relaxation in on state (QND)

# Read Out Strategies

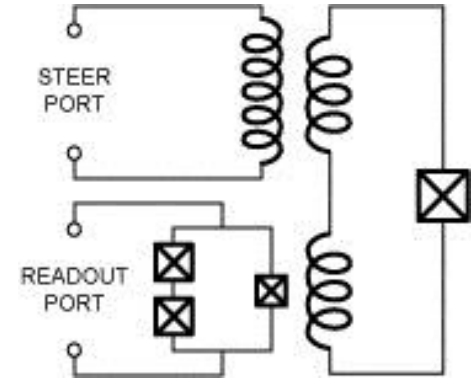
demolition measurements (switching/latching measurements)



Quantonium (Saclay, Yale)

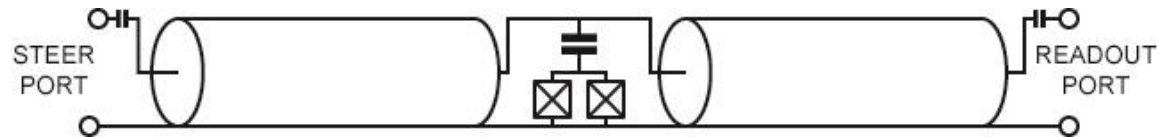


Flux Qubit (TU Delft, NEC)



Phase Qubit (NIST, UCSB)

quantum non-demolition (QND) measurements



Yale (circuit QED)

also: Chalmers, Delft, Yale (JBA)

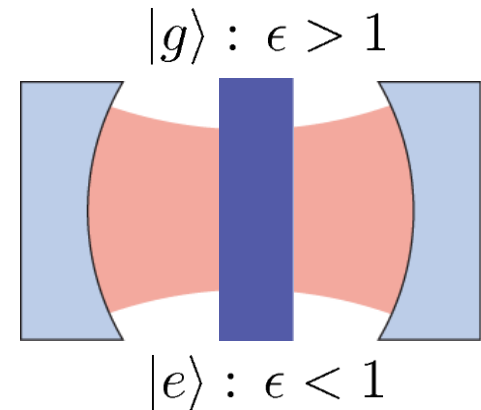
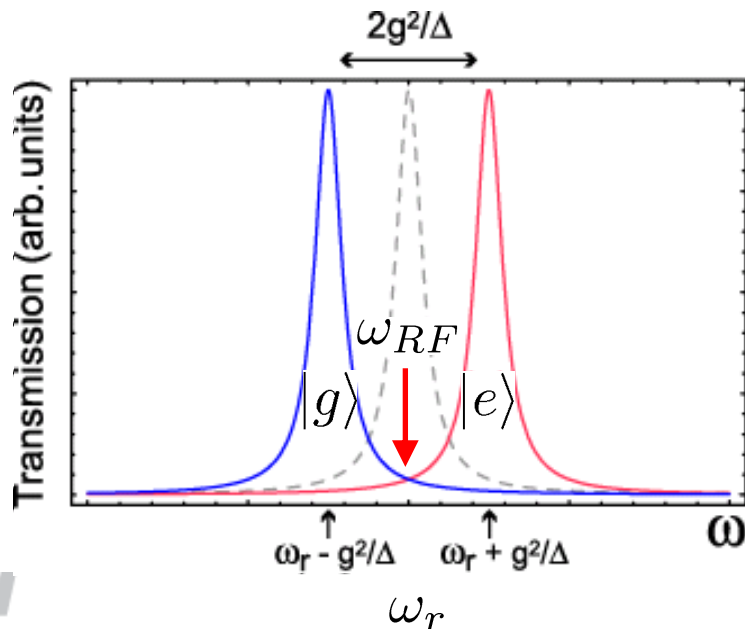
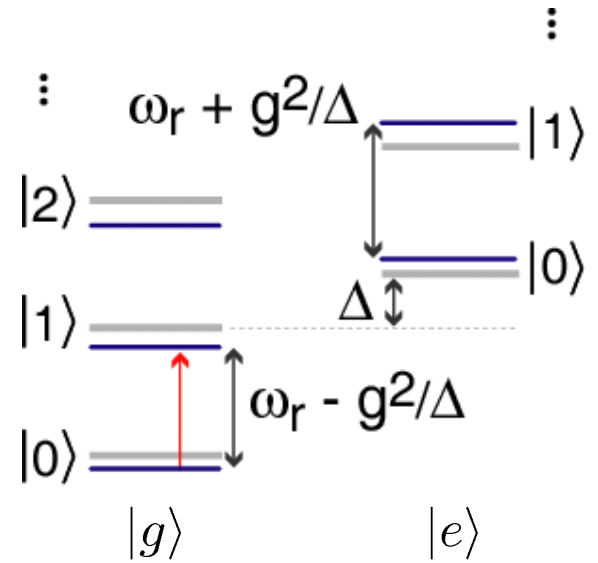
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//  
cavity frequency shift  
and qubit ac-Stark shift

//  
Lamb shift



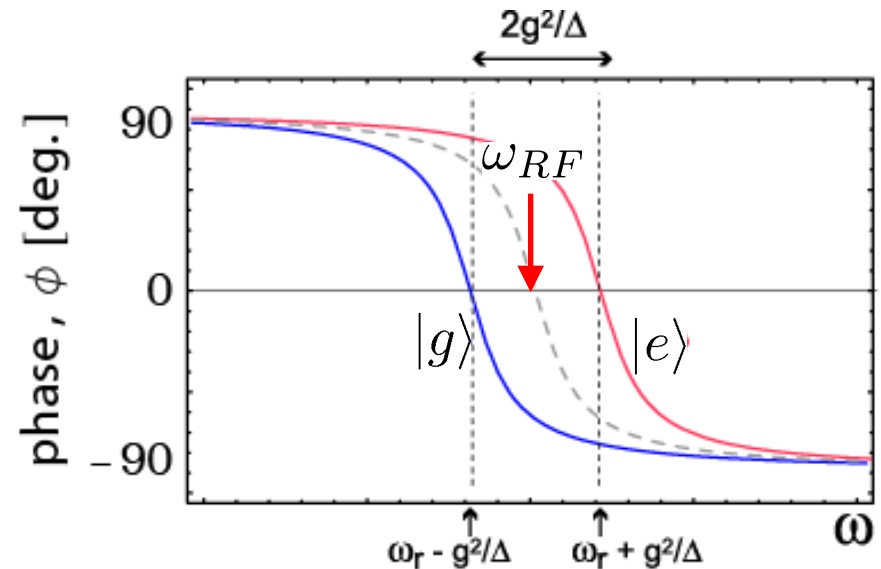
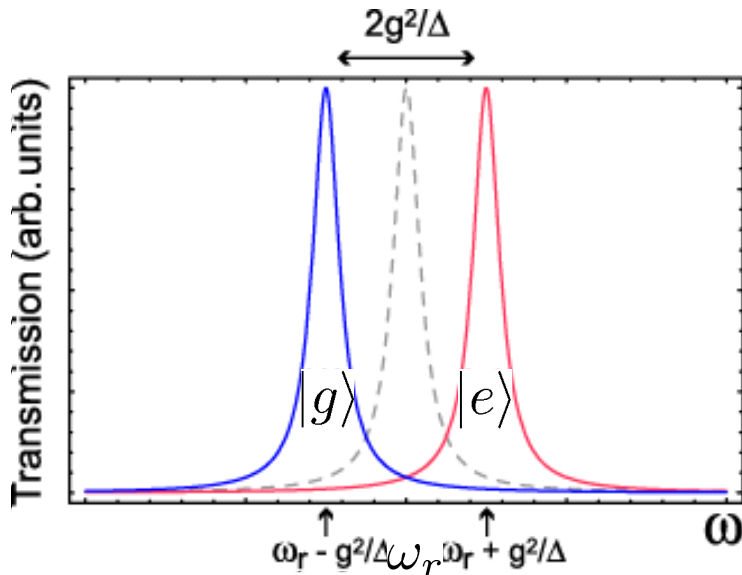
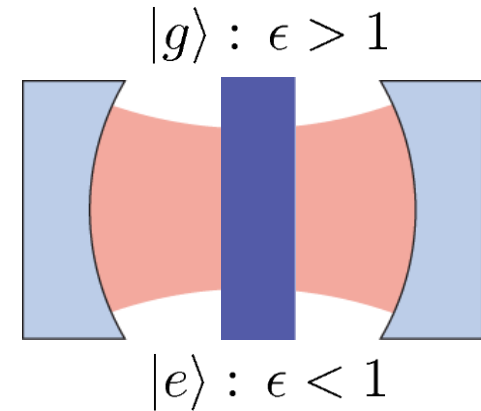
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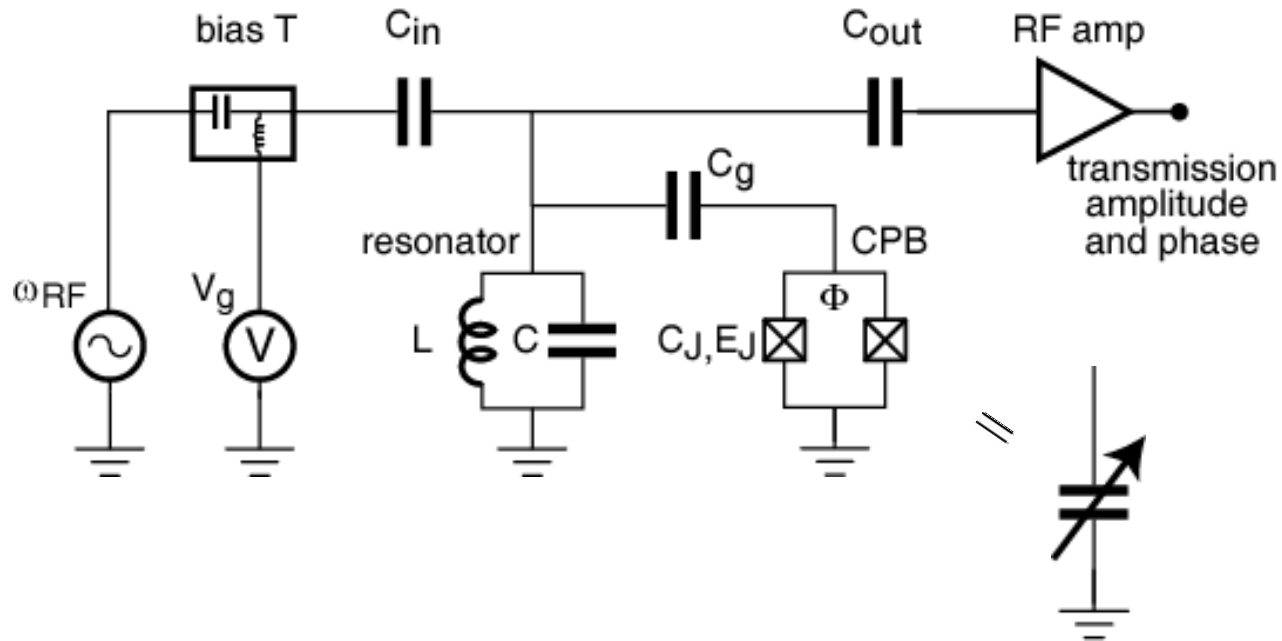
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# Qubit Spectroscopy with Dispersive Read-Out ...

... additional material

# Measurement Technique

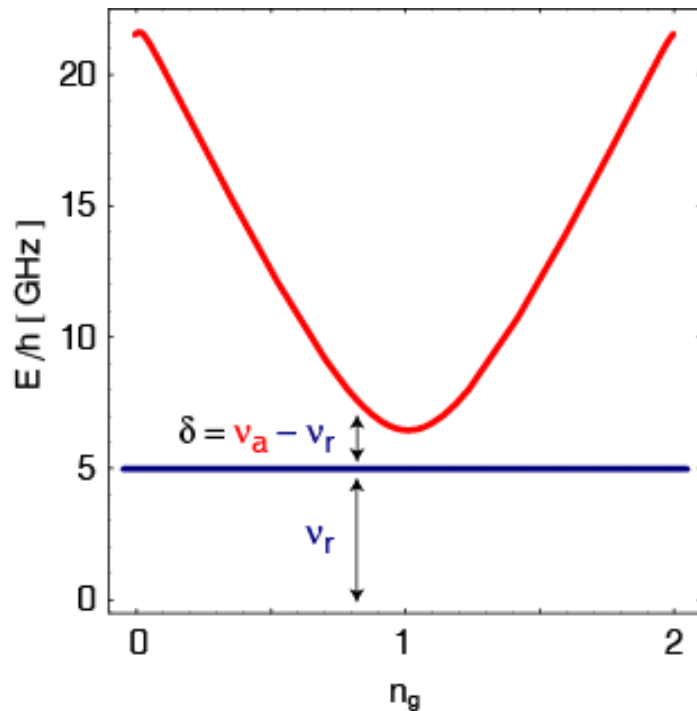


- measurement of microwave transmission amplitude  $T$  and phase  $\phi$
- intra-cavity photon number controllable from  $n \sim 10^3$  to  $n \ll 1$

# Dispersive Shift of Resonance Frequency

sketch of qubit level separation:

$$\Delta = 2\pi\delta > g$$

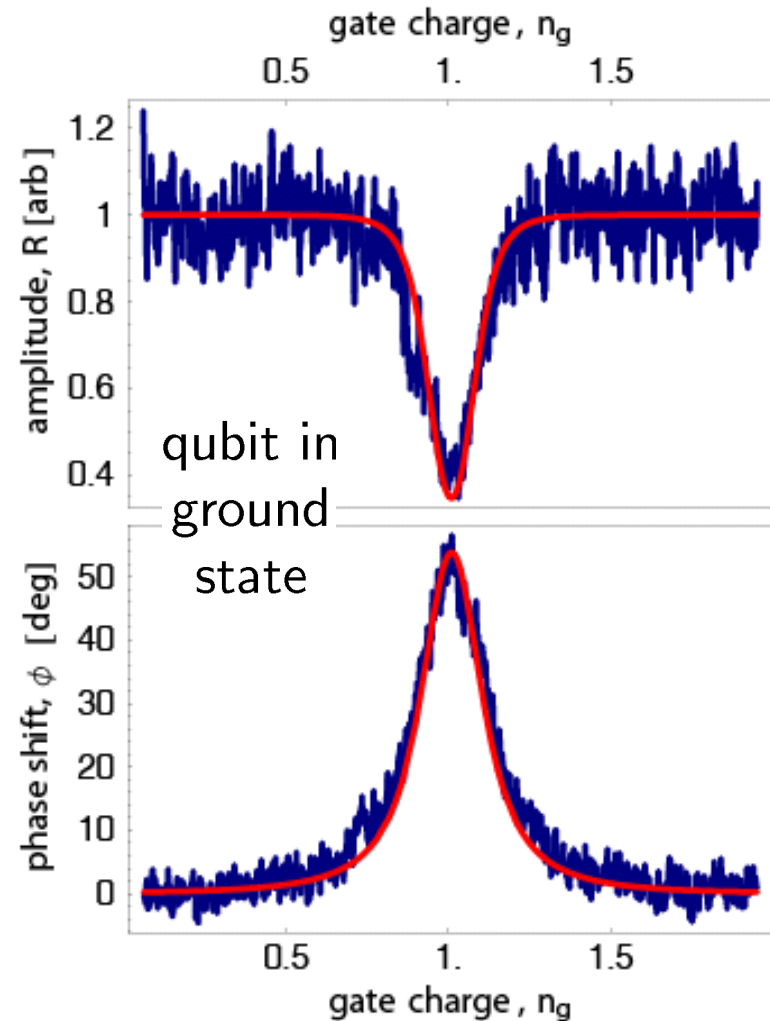


$$g/\pi = \nu_{\text{vac}} = 11 \text{ MHz}$$

$$\Delta(n_g = 1)/2\pi = 66 \text{ MHz}$$

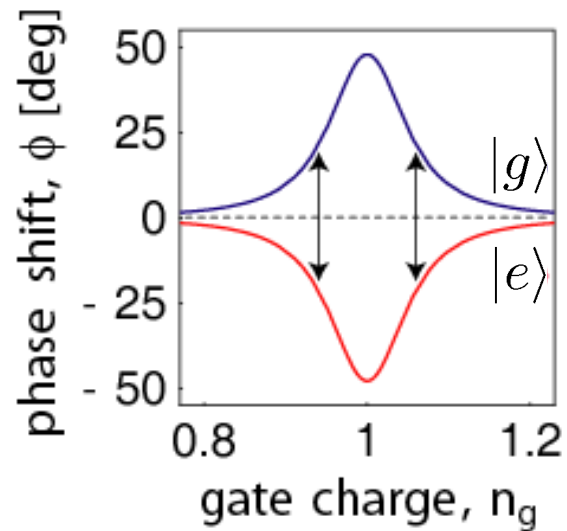
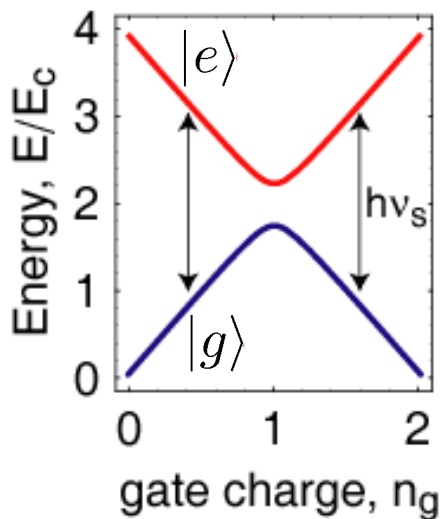
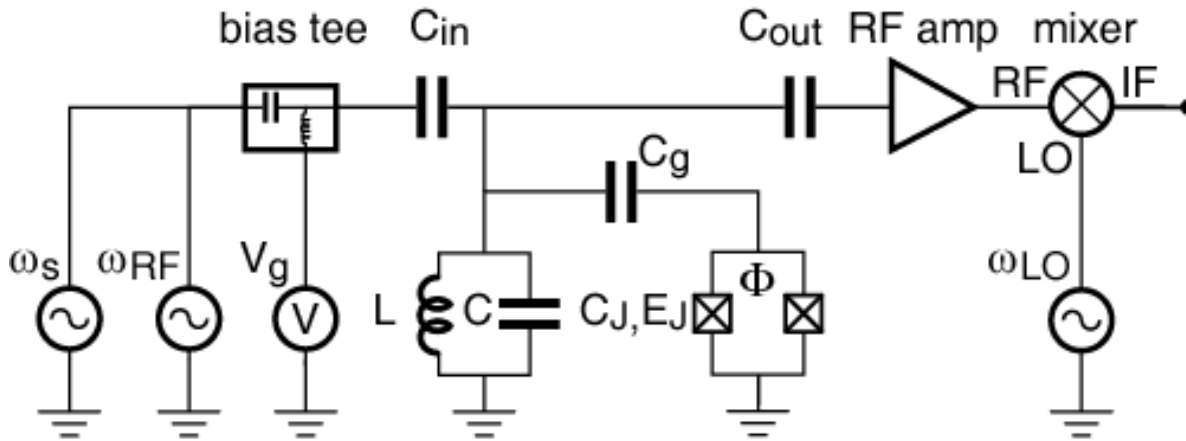
$$n = 10$$

measured resonator transmission amplitude and phase:

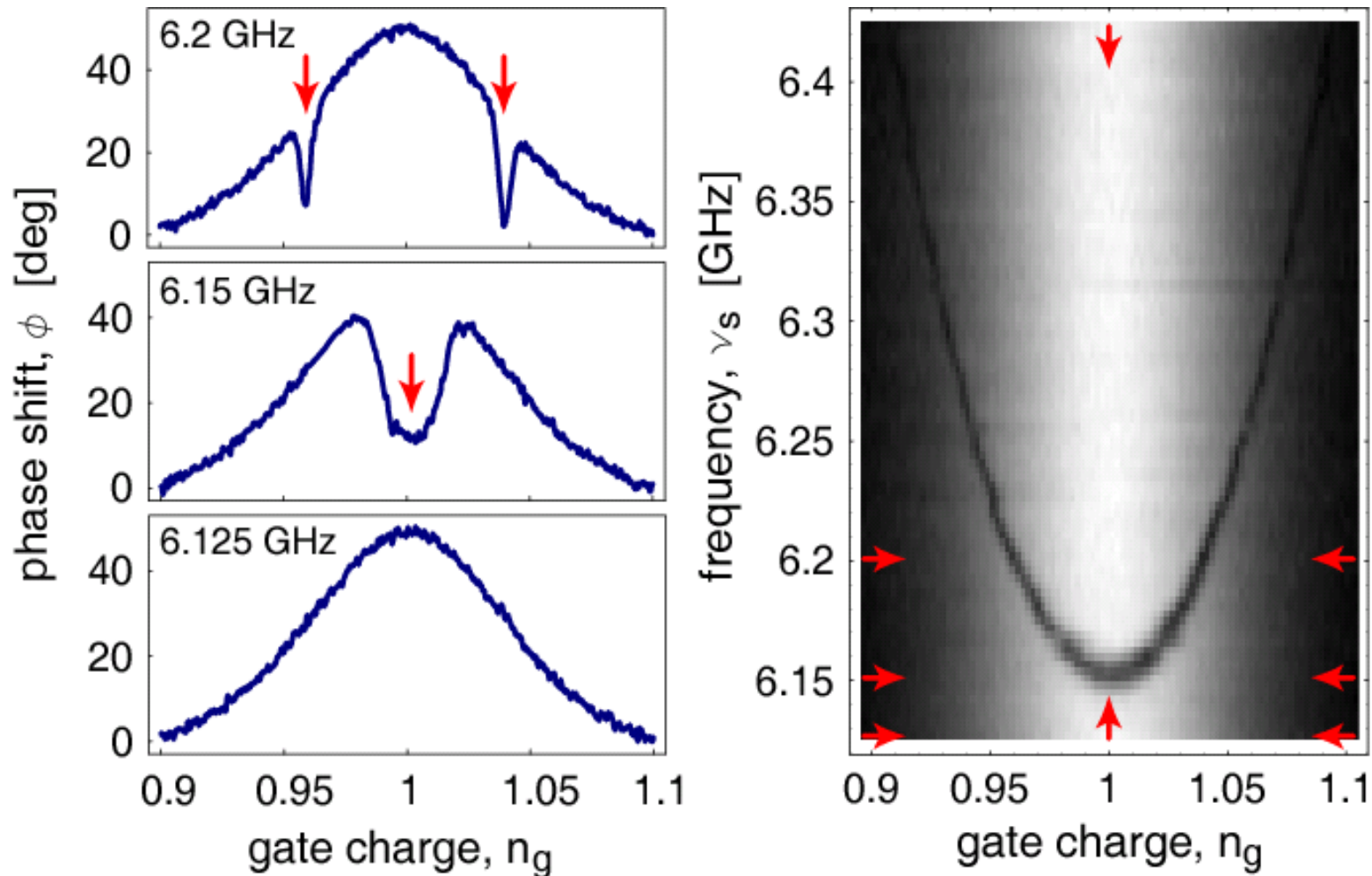




# Qubit Spectroscopy with Dispersive Read-Out



# CW Spectroscopy of Cooper Pair Box



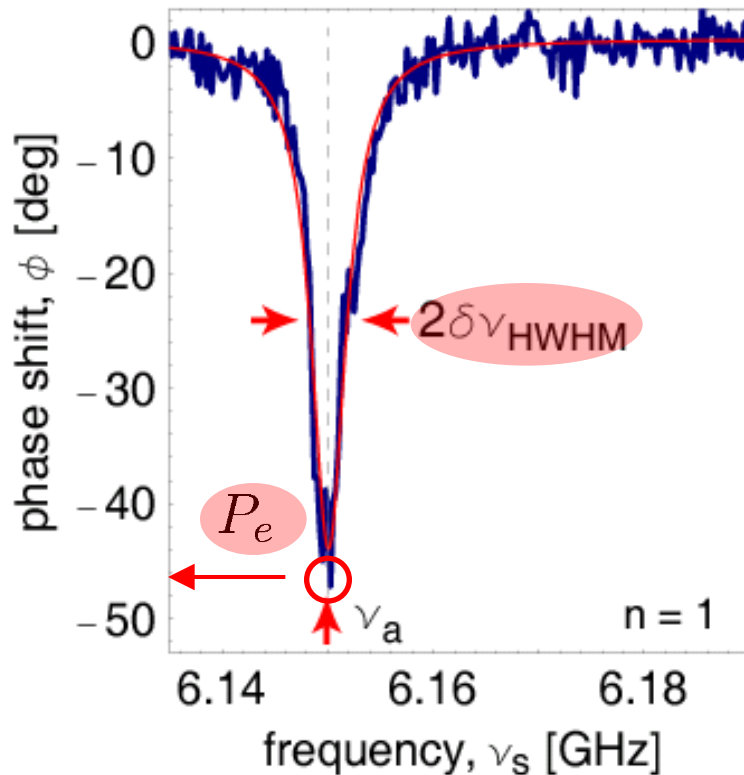
detuning  $\Delta_{r,a}/2\pi \sim 100$  MHz

extracted:  $E_J = 6.2$  GHz,  $E_C = 4.8$  GHz

# Line Shape

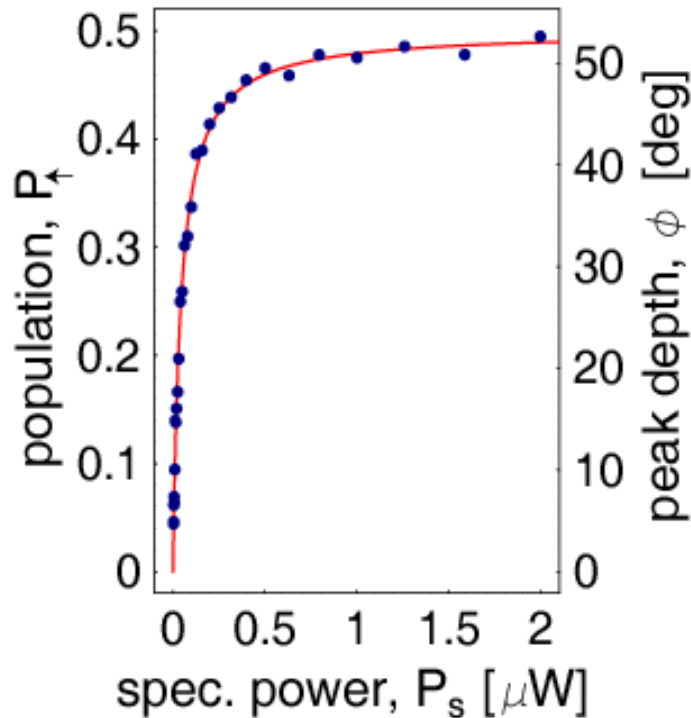
excited state population (steady-state Bloch equations):

$$P_e = 1 - P_g = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Omega_R^2 T_1 T_2}{1 + (T_2 \Delta_{s,a})^2 + \Omega_R^2 T_1 T_2}$$



- fixed drive  $P_s \propto \Omega_R^2 = n_s \omega_{\text{vac}}^2$
- varying  $\Delta_{s,a} = \omega_s - \tilde{\omega}_a$
- weak continuous measurement ( $n \sim 1$ )
- at charge degeneracy ( $n_g = 1$ )

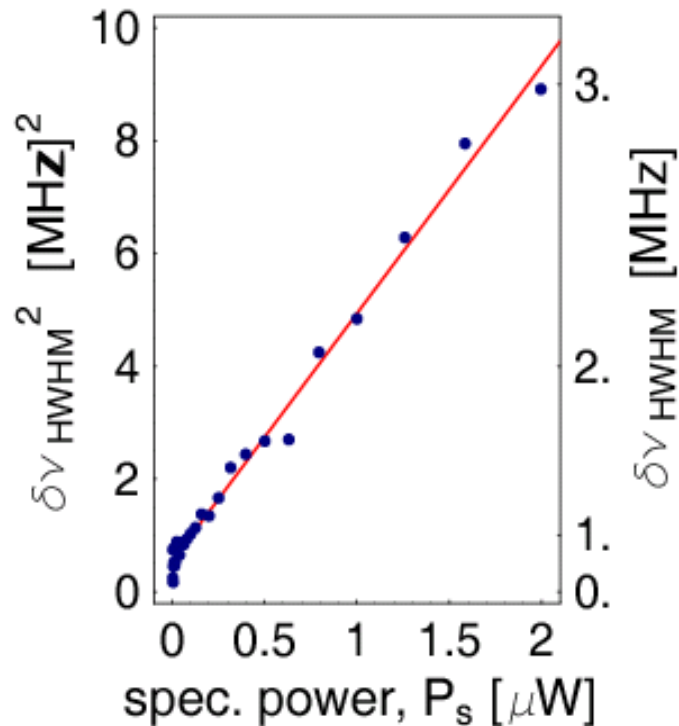
# Excited State Population



peak depth  $\rightarrow$  population (saturation):

$$P_e = 1 - P_g = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Omega_R^2 T_1 T_2}{1 + \Omega_R^2 T_1 T_2}$$

# Line Width

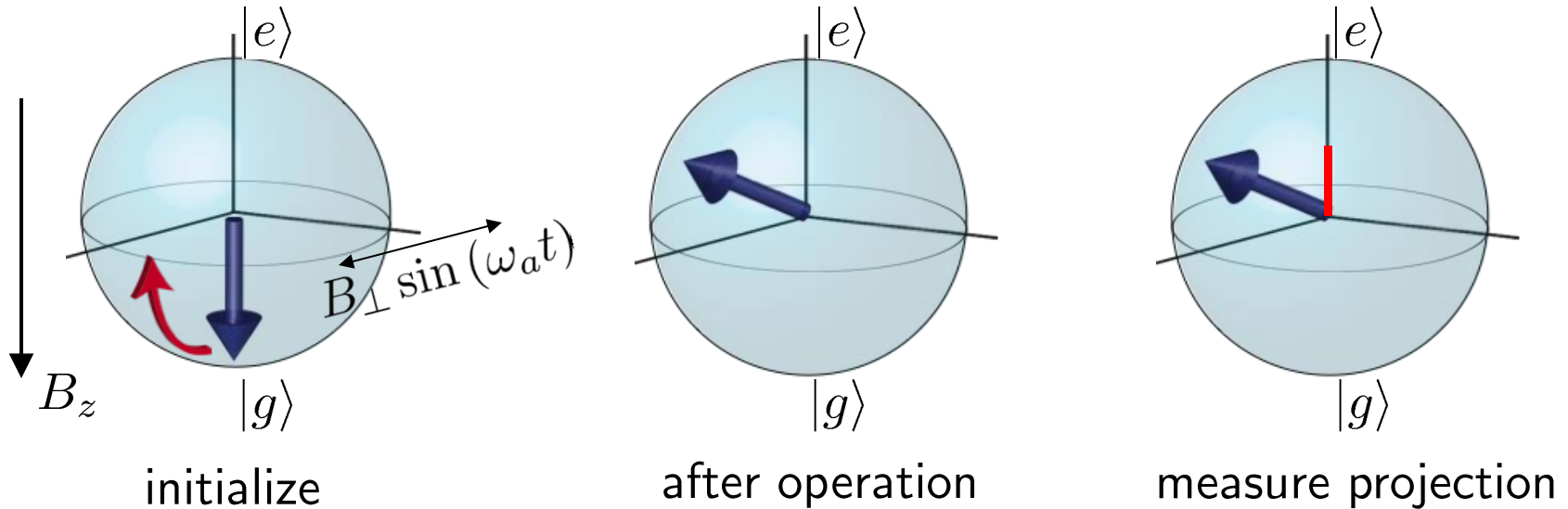


line width  $\rightarrow$  coherence time:

$$2\pi\delta\nu_{\text{HWHM}} = \frac{1}{T'_2} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{T_2^2} + \Omega_R^2 \frac{T_1}{T_2}}$$

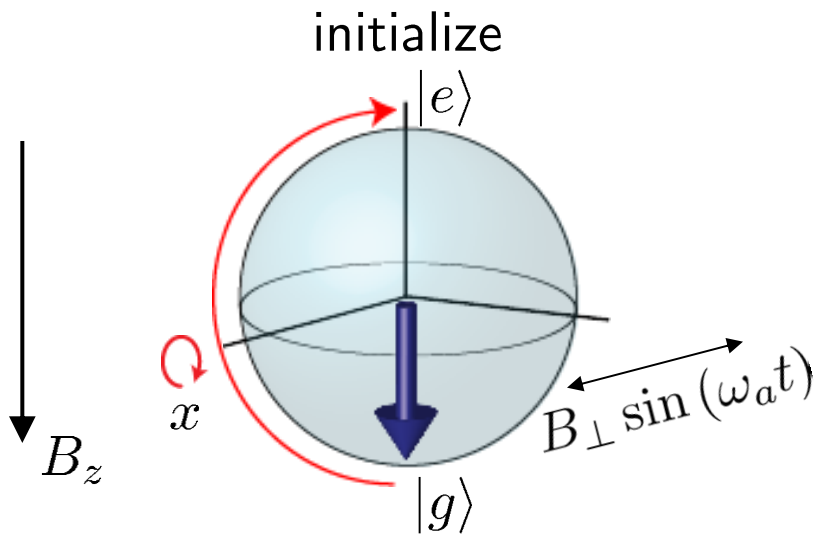
$\text{Min}(\delta\nu_{\text{HWHM}}) \sim 750 \text{ kHz} \rightarrow T_2 > 200 \text{ ns}$

# Coherent Control of a Qubit in a Cavity

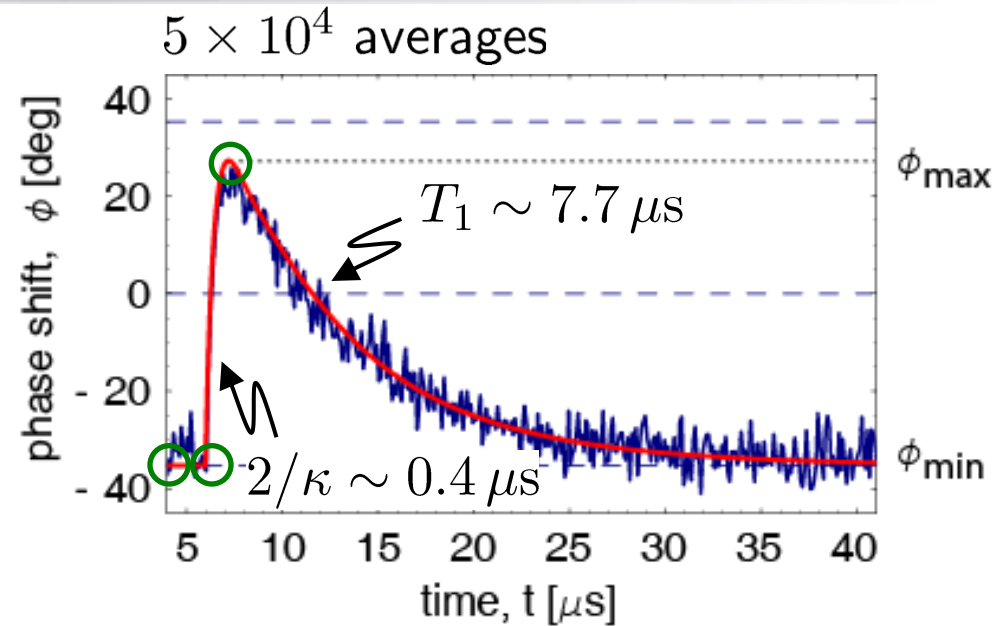
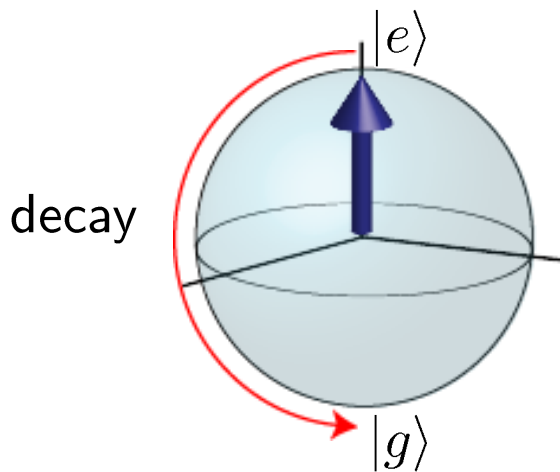


- qubit state represented on a Bloch sphere
- vary length, amplitude and phase of microwave pulse to control qubit state

# Qubit Control and Readout



control

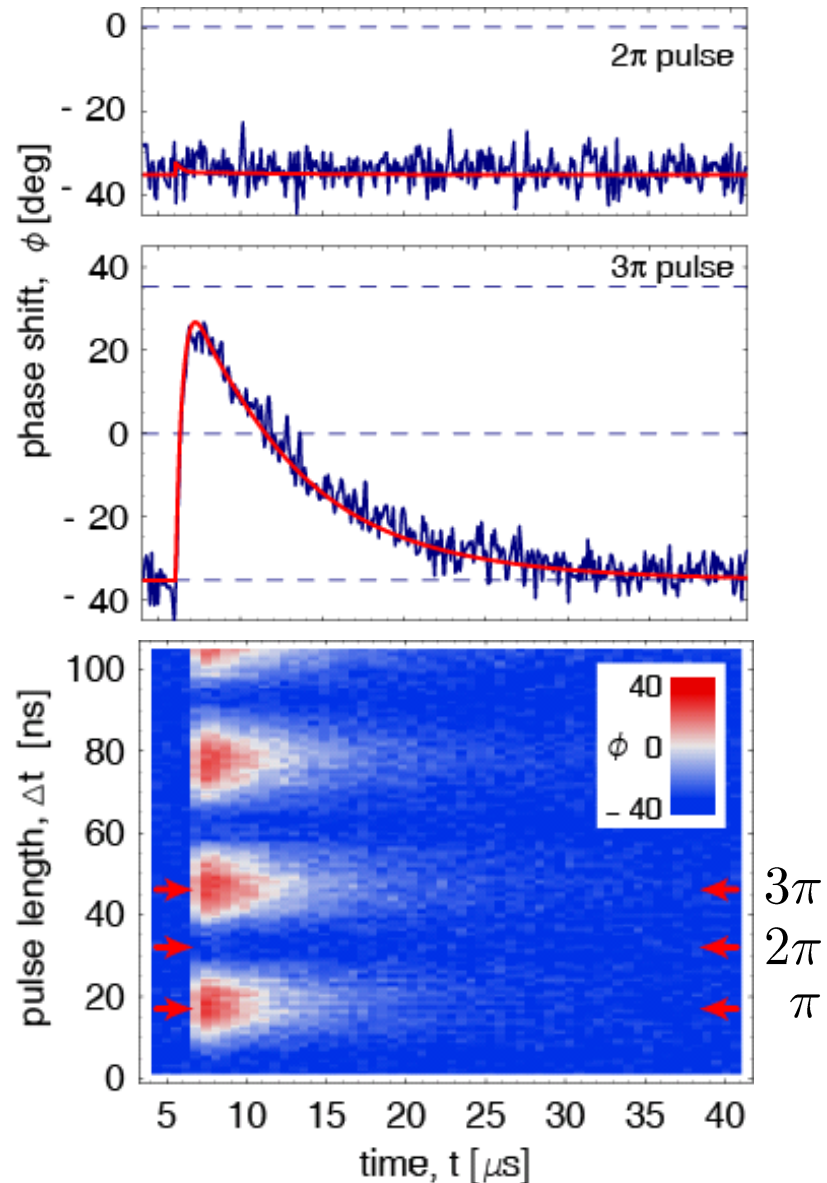
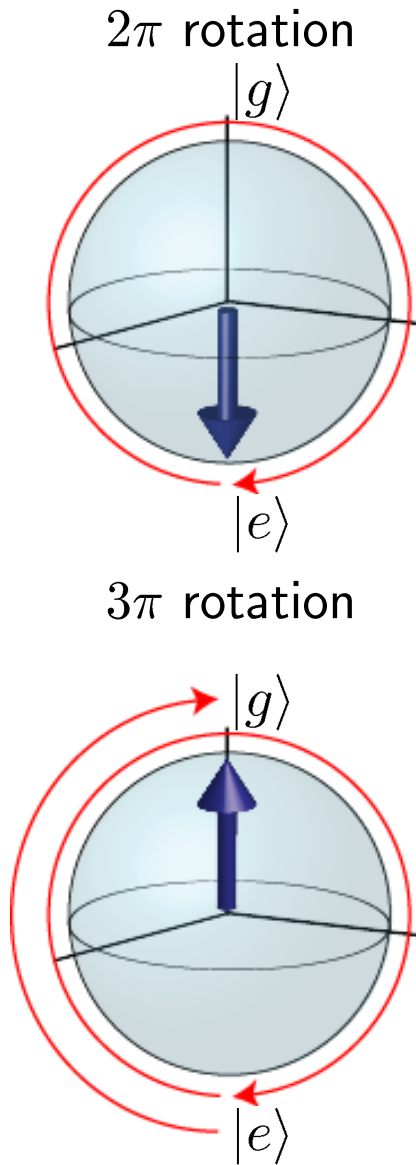


measurement properties:

- continuous
- dispersive
- quantum non-demolition
- in good agreement with predictions

Wallraff, Schuster, Blais, ... Girvin, and Schoelkopf,  
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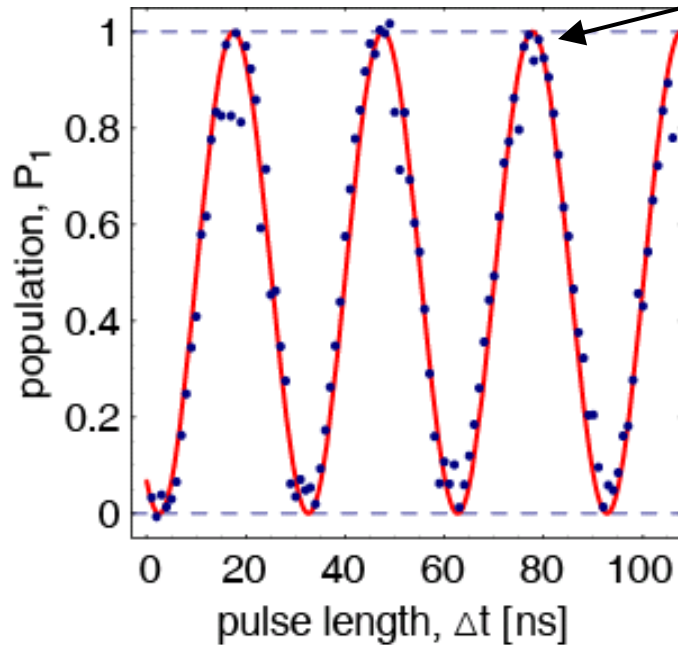
# Varying the Control Pulse Length





# High Visibility Rabi Oscillations

Rabi oscillations:



visibility  $95 \pm 5\%$

for superconducting qubits:

- high visibility
- well characterized and understood measurement
- good control accuracy

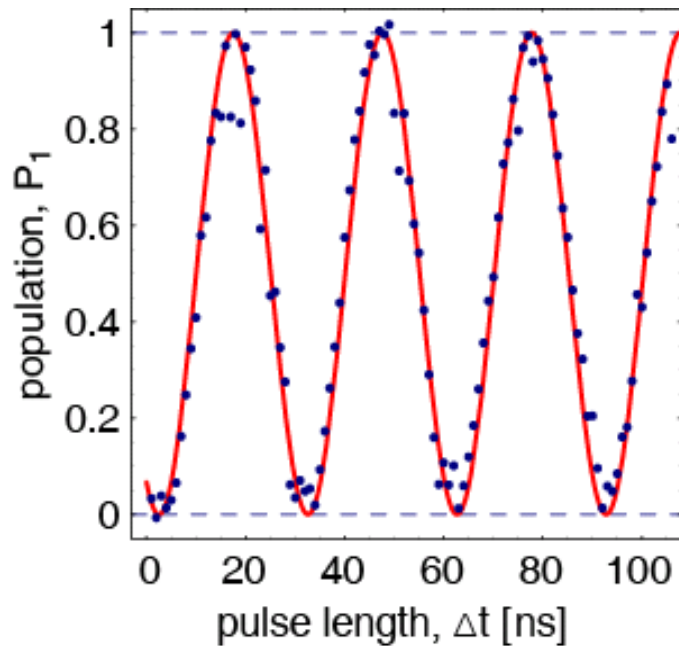
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# Rabi Frequency

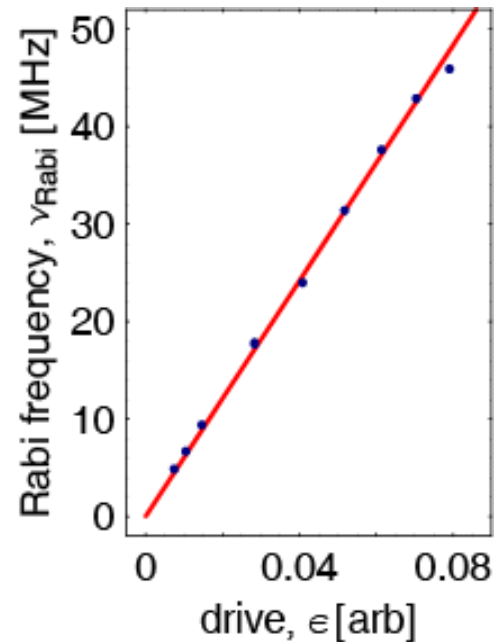
pulse scheme:



Rabi oscillations:



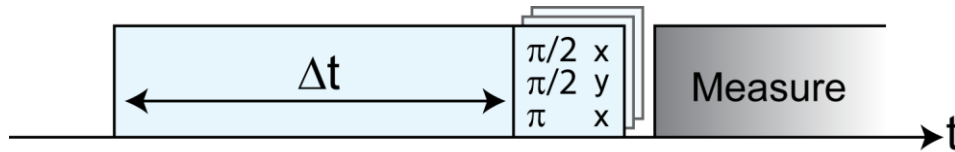
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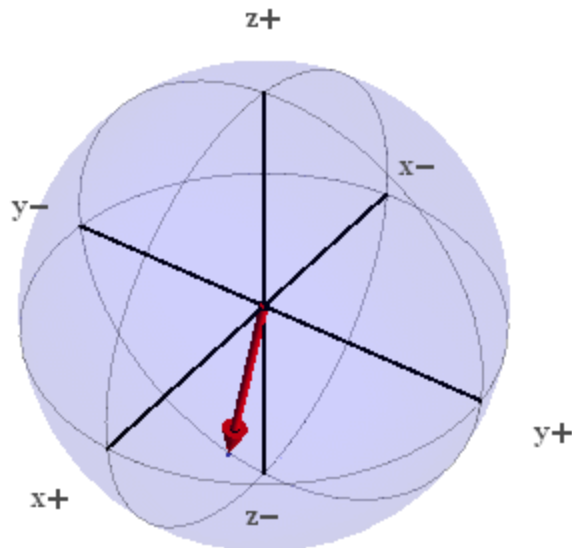
- linear dependence of Rabi frequency on microwave amplitude

# Control and Tomographic Read-Out of Single Qubit

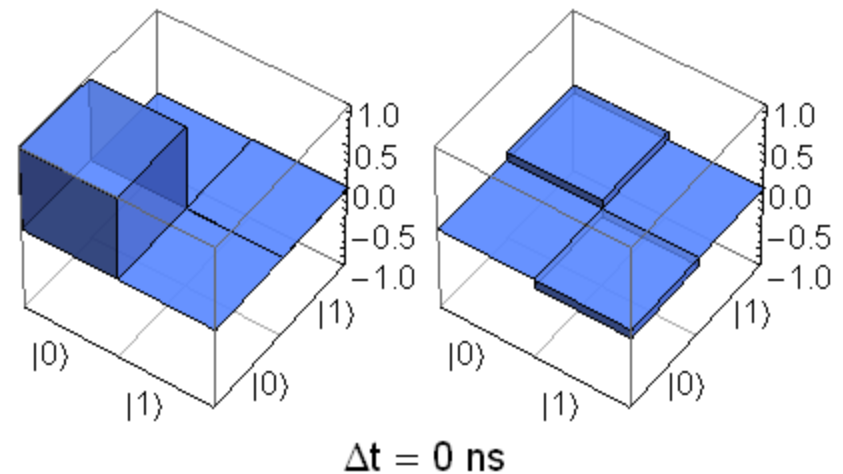
Rabi rotation pulse sequence:



experimental Bloch vector:



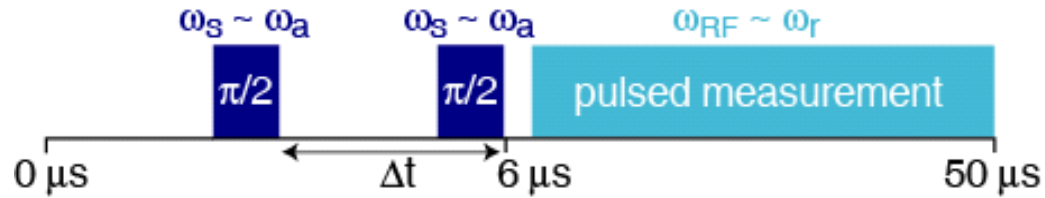
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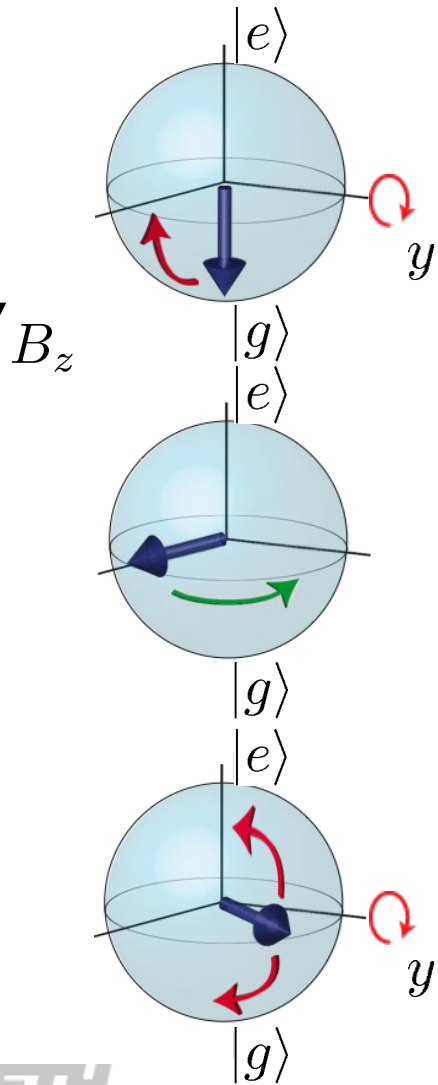
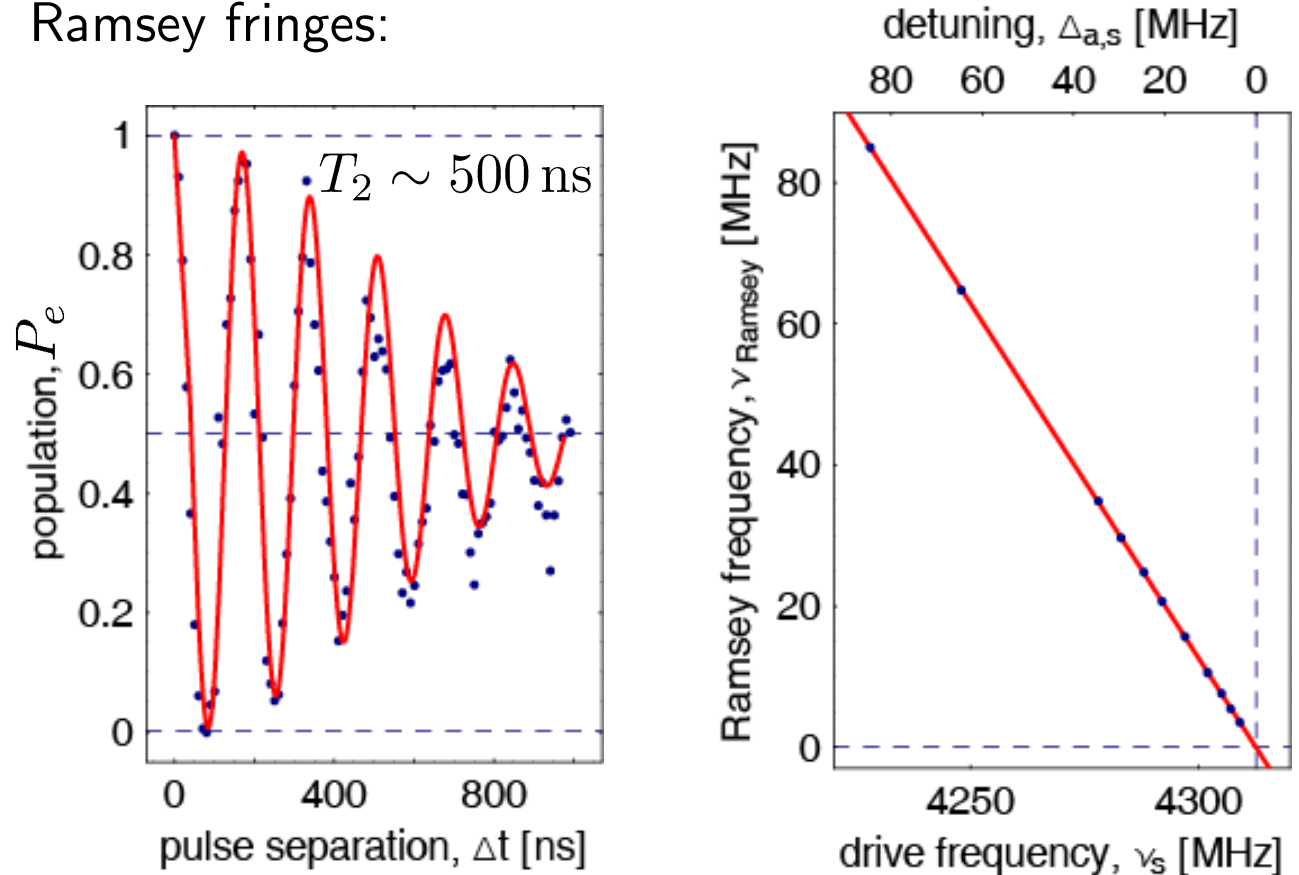
# Measurements of Coherence Time

# Coherence Time Measurement: Ramsey Fringes

pulse scheme:

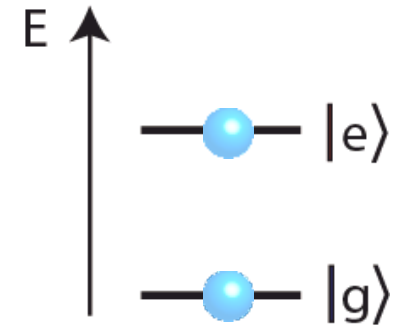
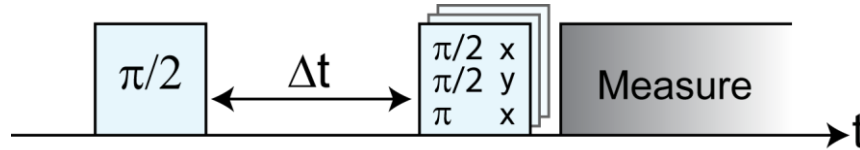


Ramsey fringes:

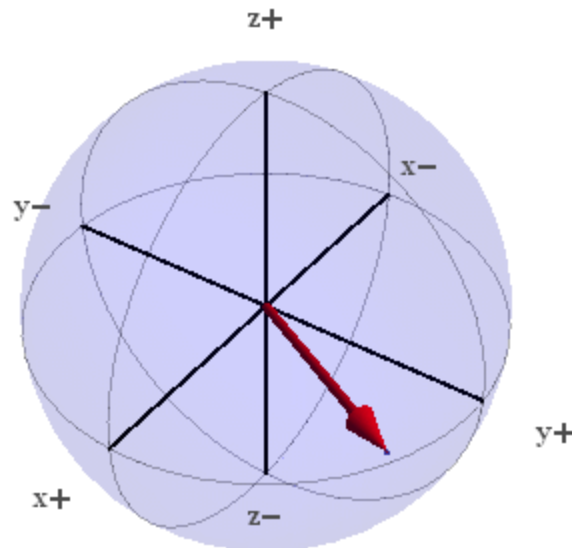


# Tomography of Ramsey Experiment

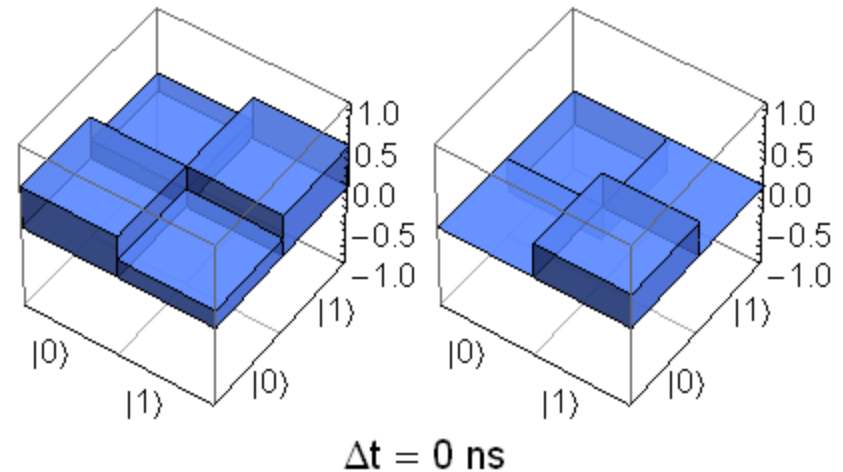
pulse sequence:



experimental Bloch vector:



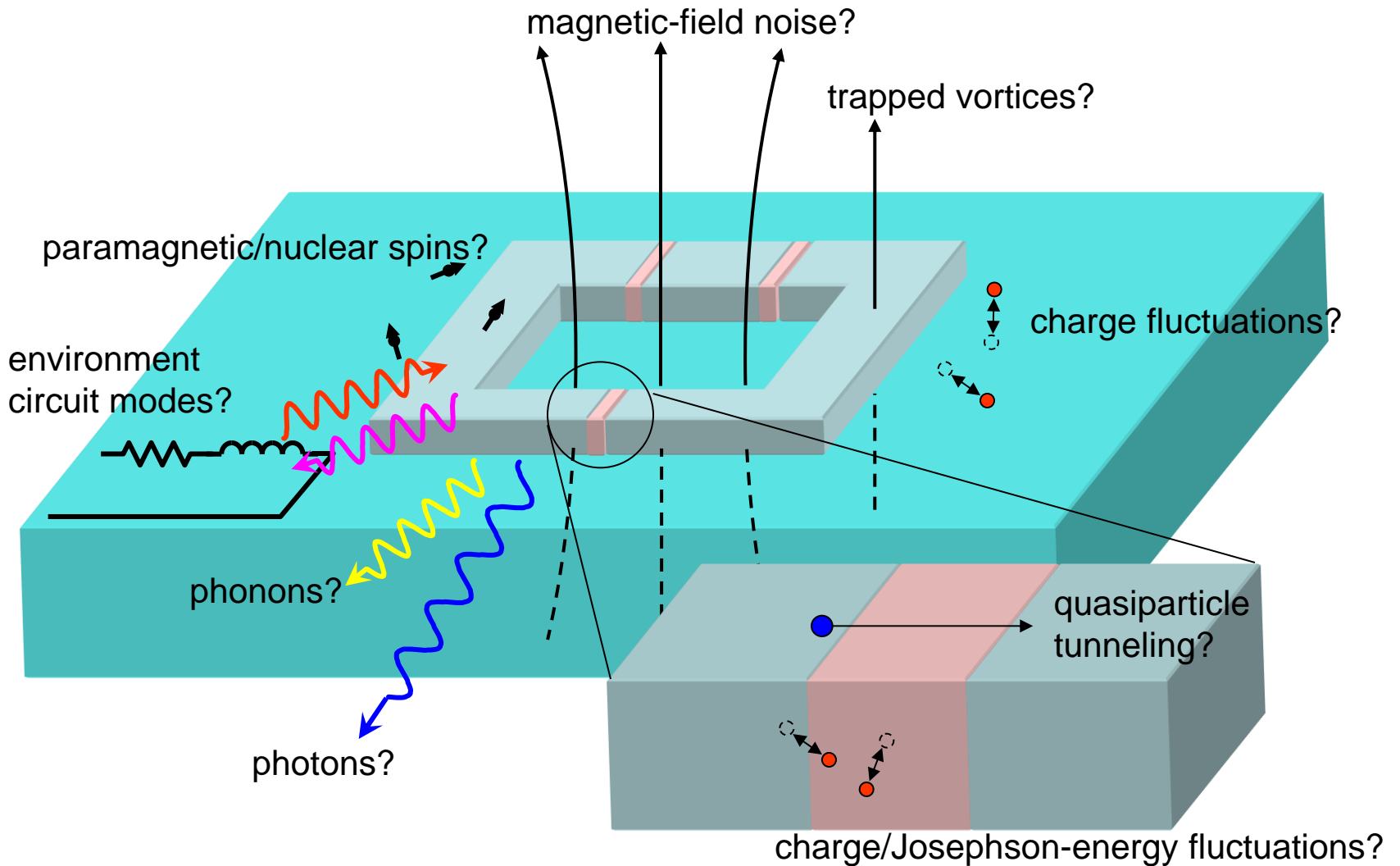
experimental density matrix:



# Decoherence ...

## ... additional material

# Sources of Decoherence



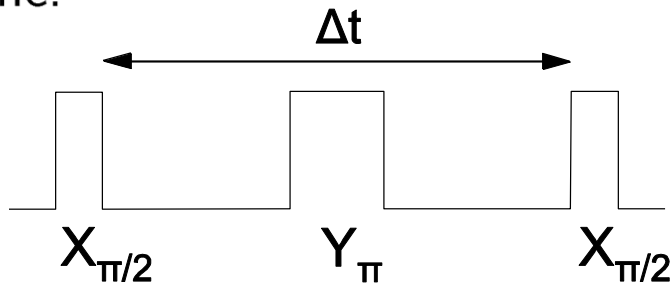


# Strategies to Reduce Decoherence

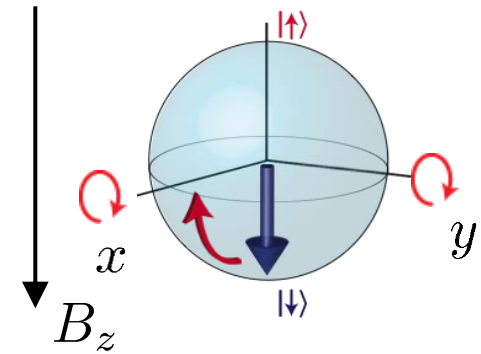
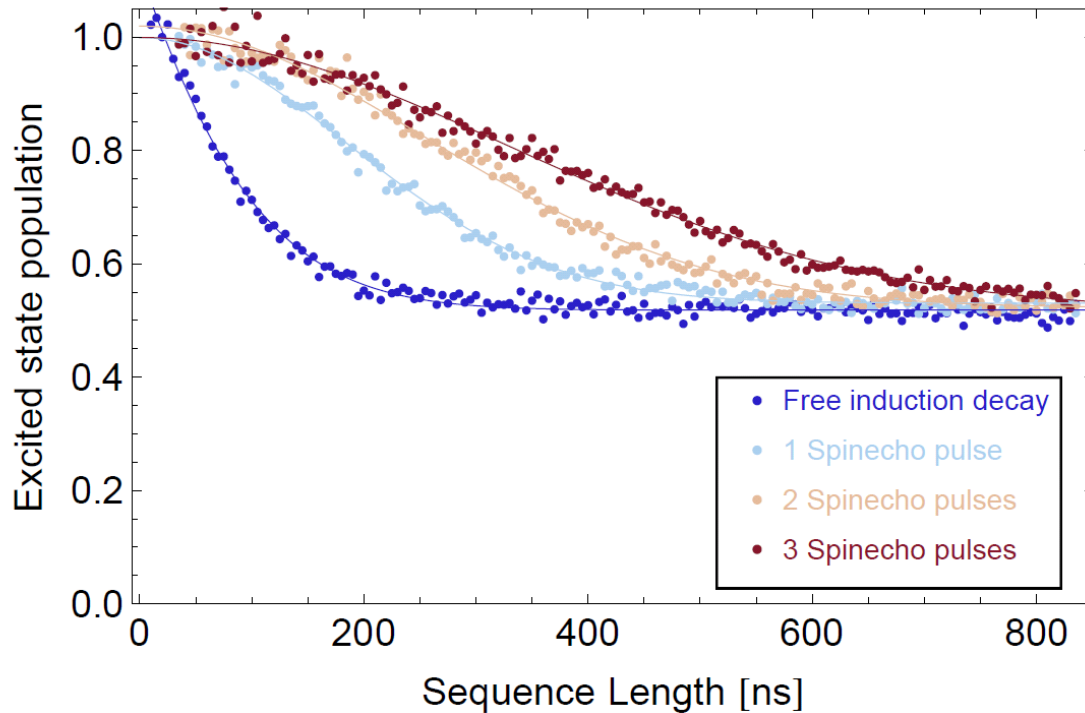
- remove sources of decoherence
  - improve materials
- use dynamic methods to counteract specific sources of decoherence
  - spin echo
  - geometric manipulations
- reduce sensitivity of quantum systems to specific sources of decoherence
  - make use of symmetries in design and operation

# Reduce Decoherence Dynamically: Spin Echo

pulse scheme:



result:



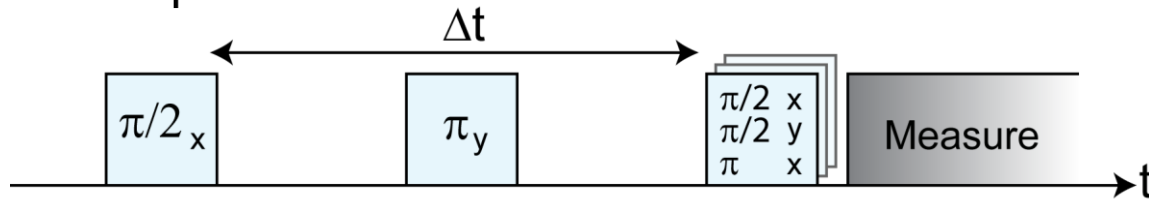
- refocusing
- elimination of low frequency fluctuations
- increased effective coherence time

Lars Steffen *et al.* (2009)

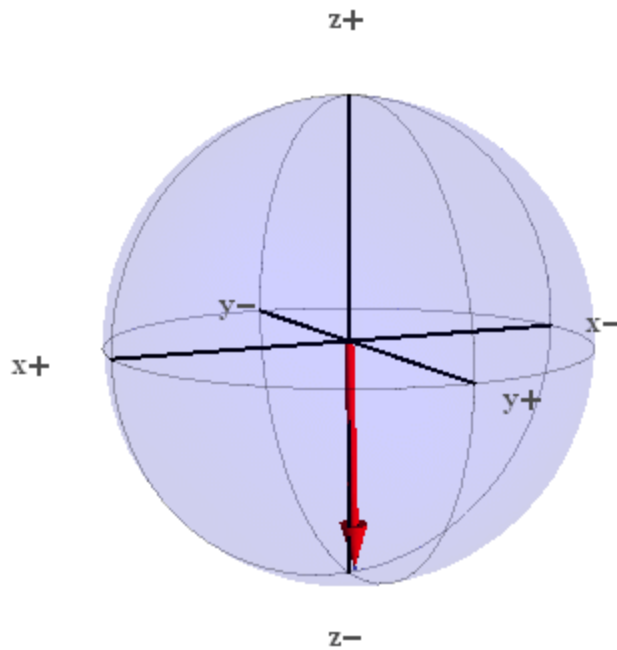
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# Tomography of a Spin Echo

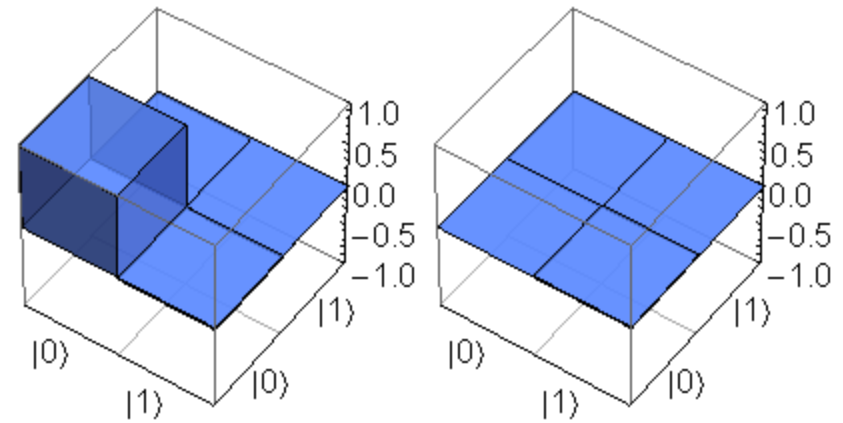
pulse sequence:



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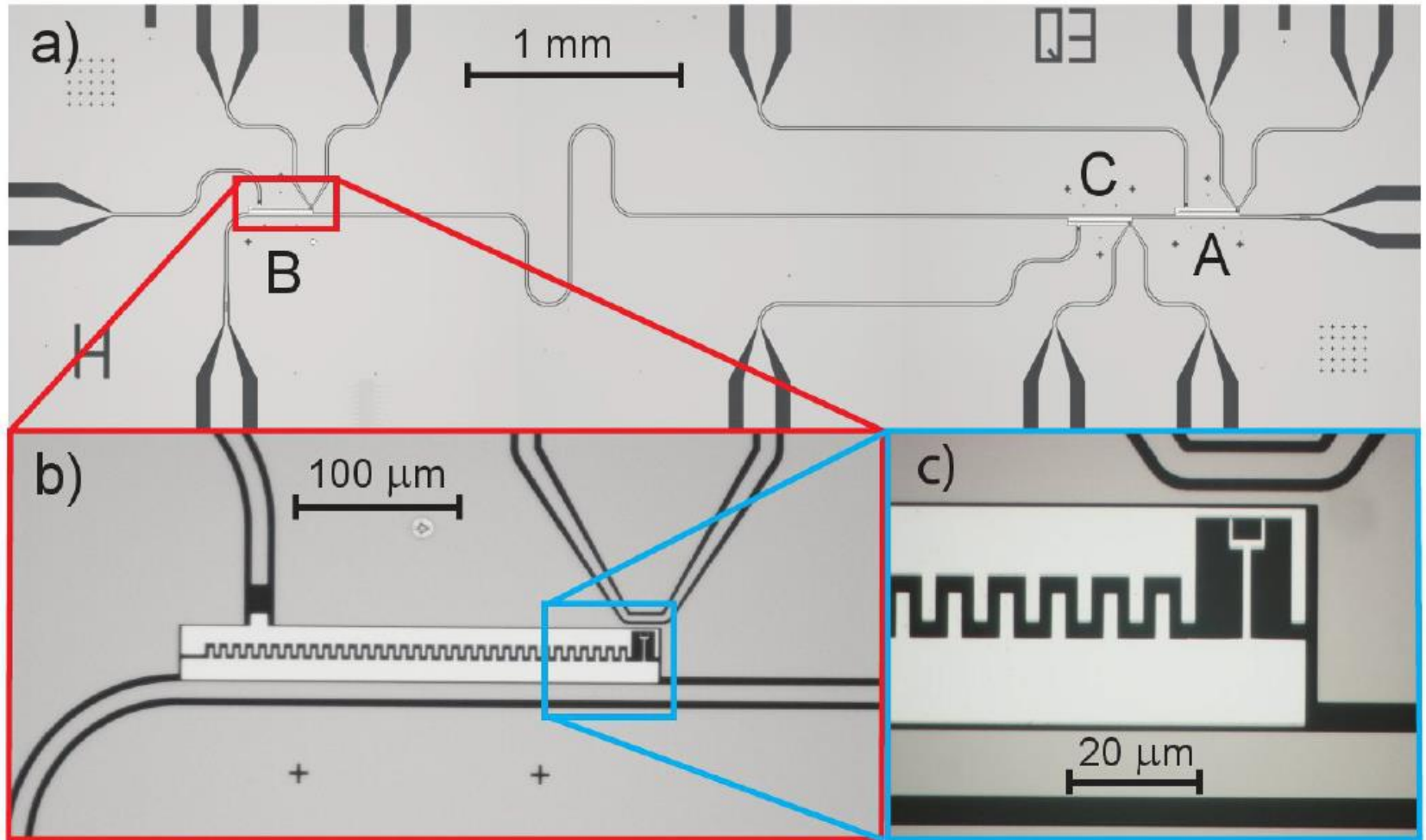
experimental density matrix:



$\Delta t = 0$  ns

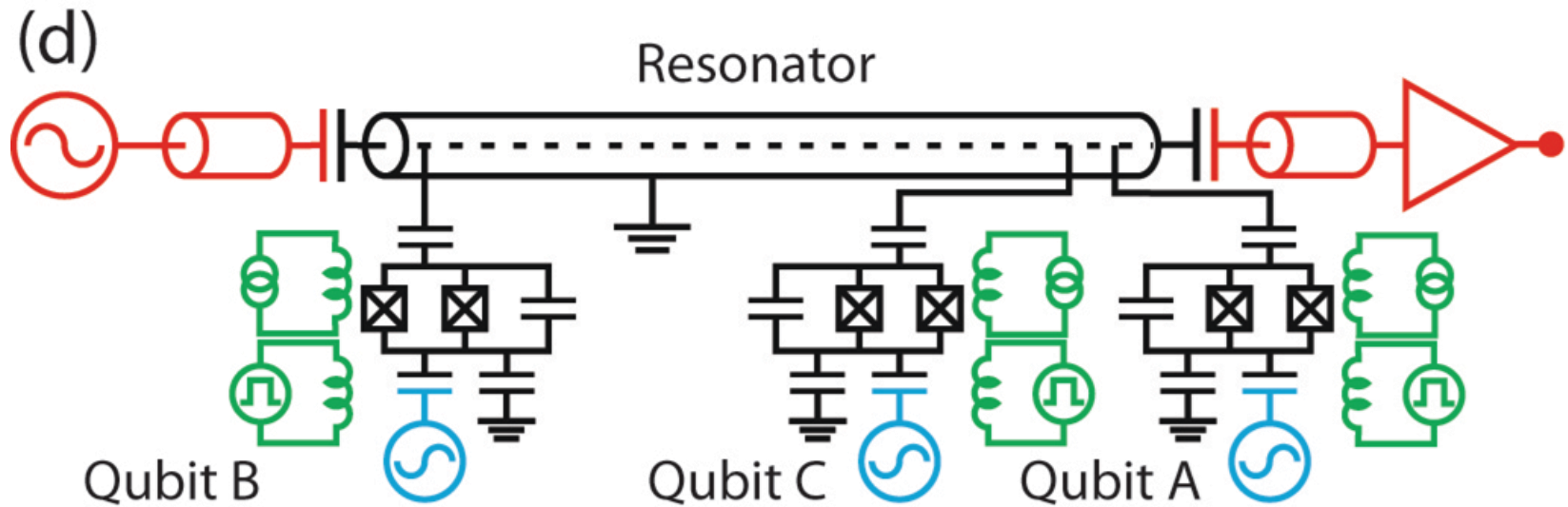
# Coupling Superconducting Qubits and Generating Entanglement using a Controlled Phase Gate

# Quantum Processor with 3 Qubits: The Chip



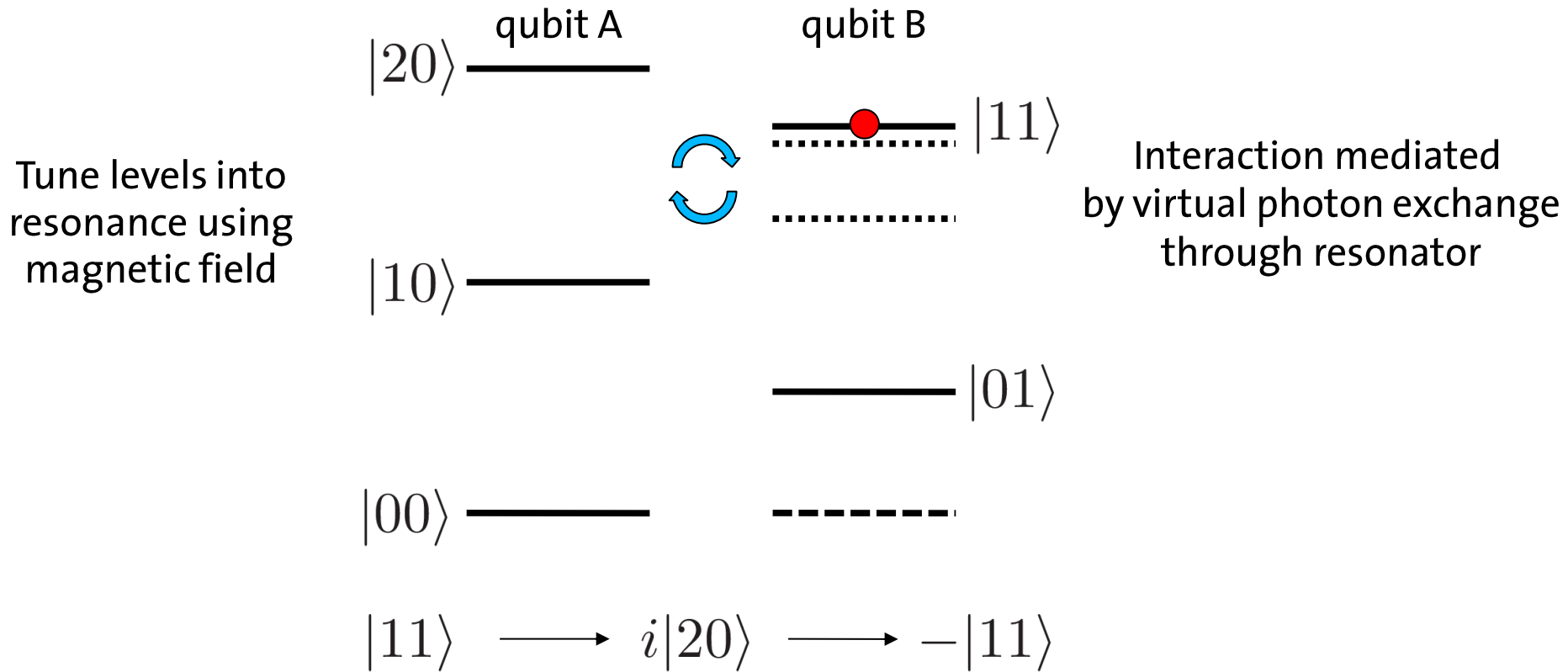
- three transmon qubits:  $T_1 \sim 1.0 \mu\text{s}$ ,  $T_2 \sim 0.6 \mu\text{s}$ , individual local control
- one resonator:  $f_0 \sim 8.625 \text{ GHz}$ , coupling to qubits  $g/2\pi \sim 300 \text{ MHz}$

# Quantum Processor with 3 Qubits: Circuit Diagram



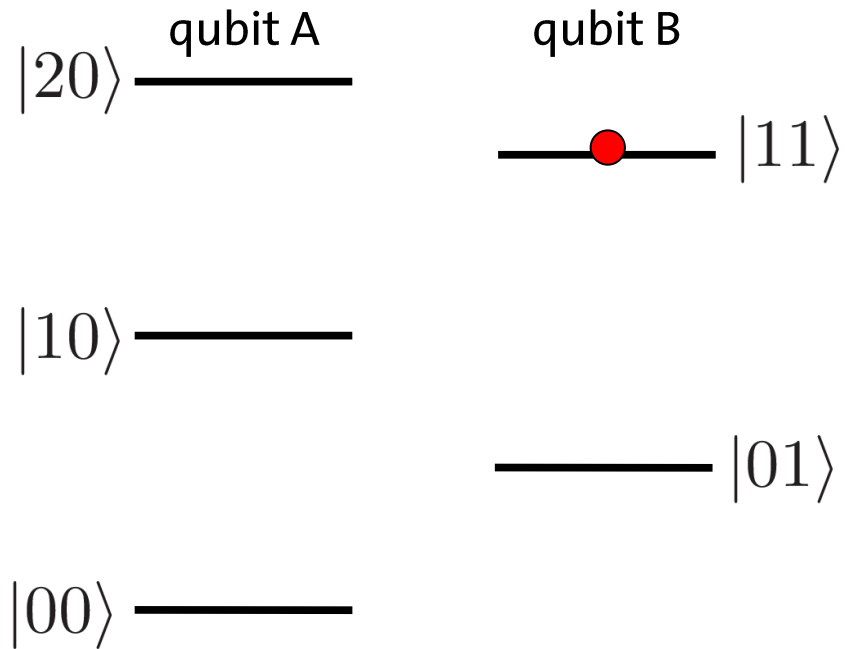
- **qubit state measurement** through resonator
- individual qubit control through local **microwave gates**
- two-qubit interactions by tuning qubits into resonance using local **flux gates**

# Universal Two-Qubit Controlled Phase Gate



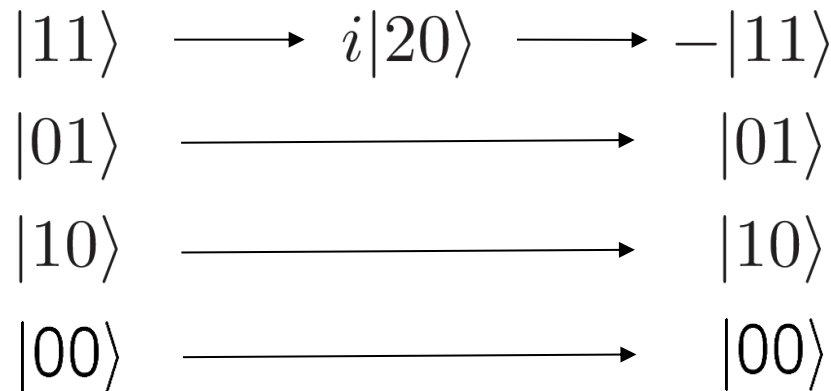
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# Universal Two-Qubit Controlled Phase Gate



How to verify the operation of this gate?

Universal two-qubit gate. Used together with single-qubit gates to create any quantum operation.



C-Phase gate:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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# Process Tomography: C-Phase Gate

arbitrary quantum process

$$\rho' = \mathcal{E}(\rho)$$

decomposed into

$$\mathcal{E}(\rho) = \sum_{mn} \tilde{E}_m \rho \tilde{E}_n^\dagger \chi_{mn}$$

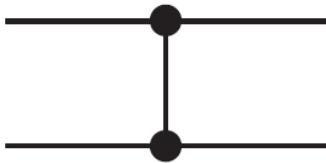
$$\{\tilde{E}_k\}$$

$$\chi$$

is an operator basis

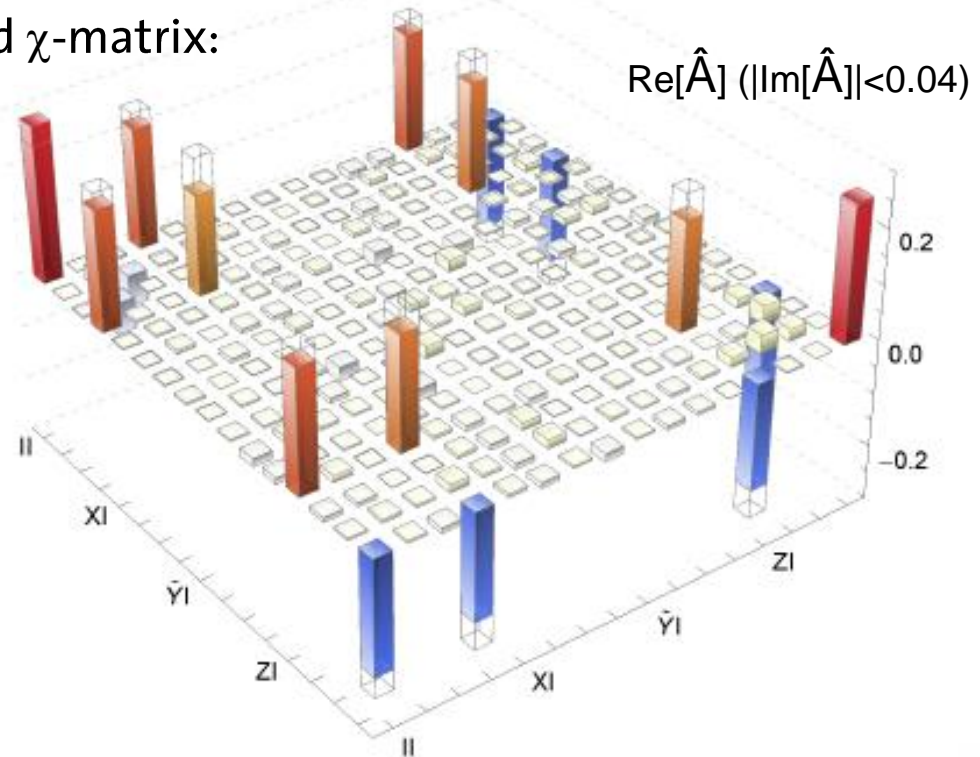
is a positive semi definite Hermitian matrix characteristic for the process

Controlled phase gate



$$cZ_{00} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Measured  $\chi$ -matrix:



$$F = \text{Tr}[\chi_{\text{meas}} \chi_{\text{ideal}}] = 0.86$$

# Process Tomography: C-NOT Gate

arbitrary quantum process

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decomposed into

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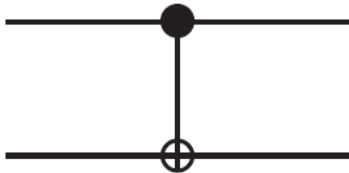
$$\{\tilde{E}_k\}$$

$$\chi$$

is an operator basis

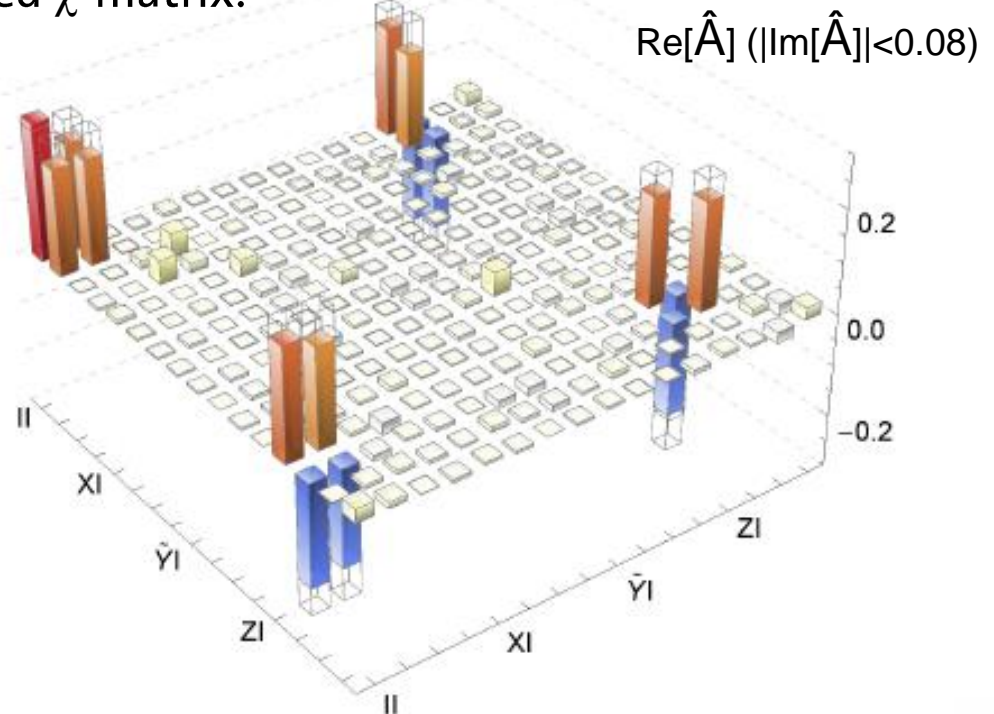
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Controlled-NOT gate



$$C - NOT = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Measured  $\chi$ -matrix:



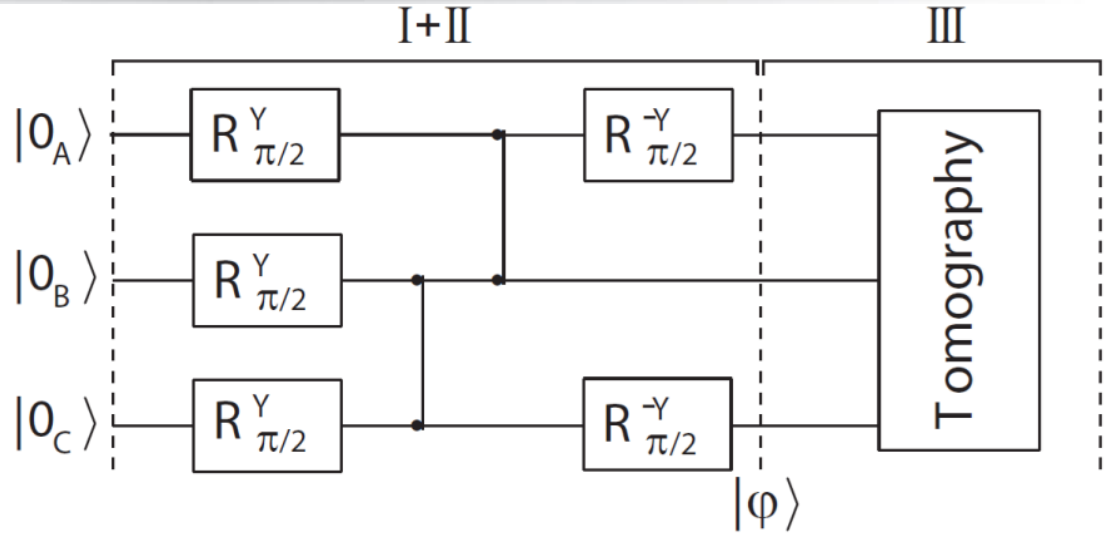
$$F = \text{Tr}[\chi_{\text{meas}} \chi_{\text{ideal}}] = 0.81$$

# Maximally Entangled Three Qubit States

Generation of GHZ class, e.g.

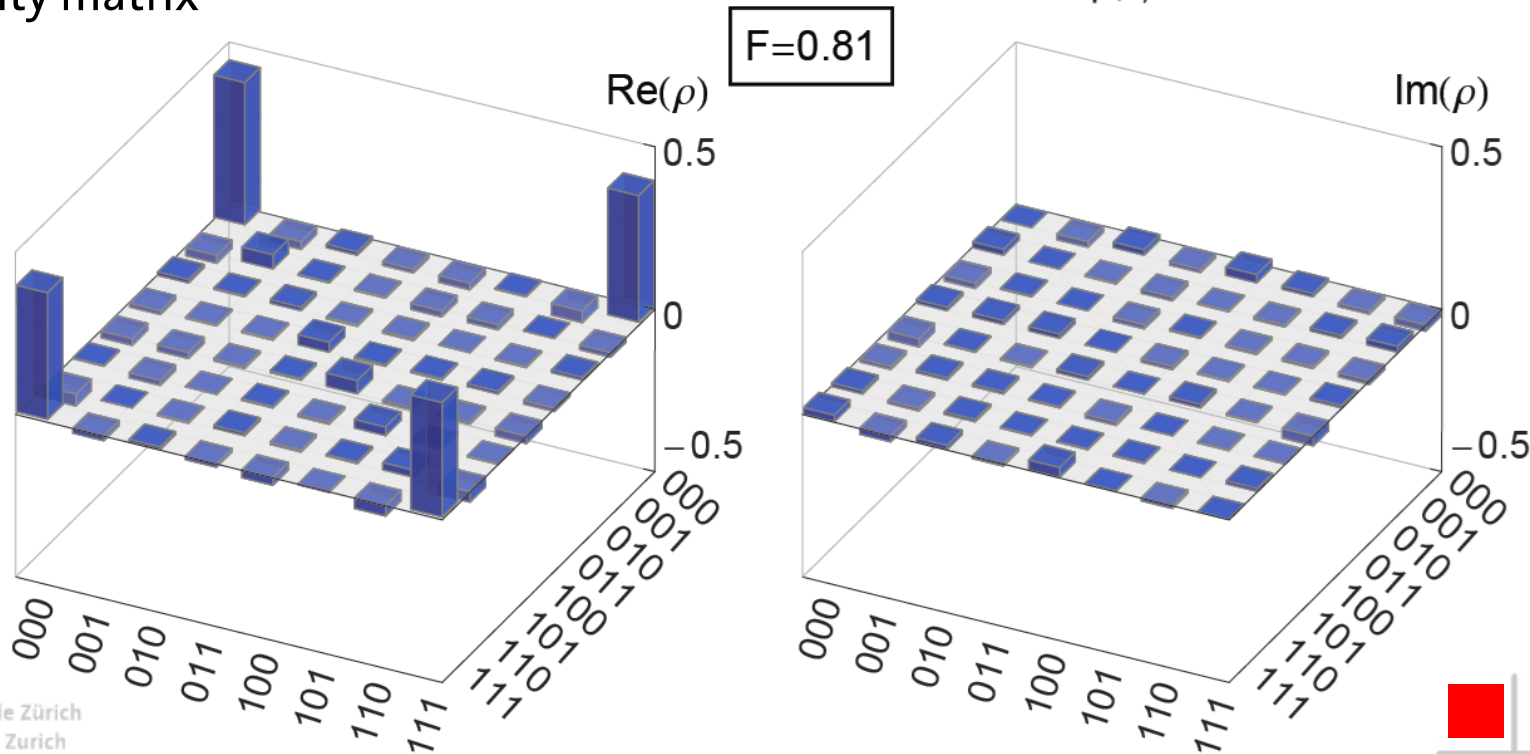
$|000\rangle + |111\rangle$ , states:

- single qubit gates
- C-PHASE gates



Measured density matrix

- high fidelity



# DiVincenzo Criteria fulfilled for Superconducting Qubits

for Implementing a Quantum Computer in the standard (circuit approach) to quantum information processing (QIP):

- #1. A scalable physical system with well-characterized qubits. ✓
- #2. The ability to initialize the state of the qubits. ✓
- #3. Long (relative) decoherence times, much longer than the gate-operation time. ✓
- #4. A universal set of quantum gates. ✓
- #5. A qubit-specific measurement capability. ✓

plus two criteria requiring the possibility to transmit information:

- #6. The ability to interconvert stationary and mobile (or flying) qubits. ✓
- #7. The ability to faithfully transmit flying qubits between specified locations. ✓