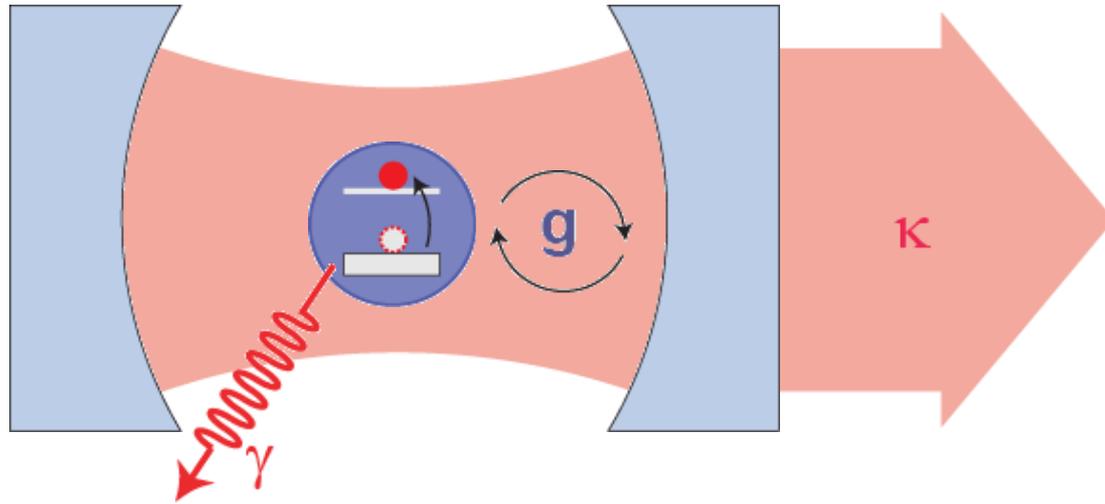


# Coupling a Harmonic Oscillator to a Qubit

# Cavity Quantum Electrodynamics

coupling photons to qubits:



Jaynes-Cummings Hamiltonian

$$H = \hbar\omega_r \left( a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{\hbar\omega_a}{2} \sigma^z + \hbar g (a^\dagger \sigma^- + a \sigma^+) + H_\kappa + H_\gamma$$

strong coupling limit ( $g = dE_0/\hbar > \gamma, \kappa, 1/t_{\text{transit}}$ )

# Dressed States Energy Level Diagram

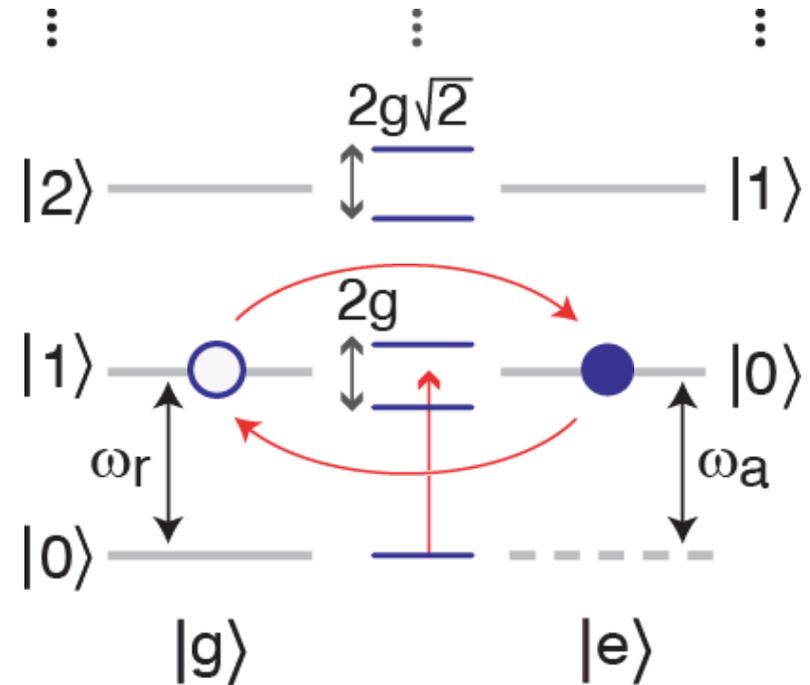
$$H = \hbar\omega_r \left( a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{\hbar\omega_a}{2} \sigma^z + \hbar g (a^\dagger \sigma^- + a \sigma^+)$$

in resonance:

$$\omega_a - \omega_r = \Delta = 0$$

strong coupling limit:

$$g = \frac{dE_0}{\hbar} > \gamma, \kappa$$



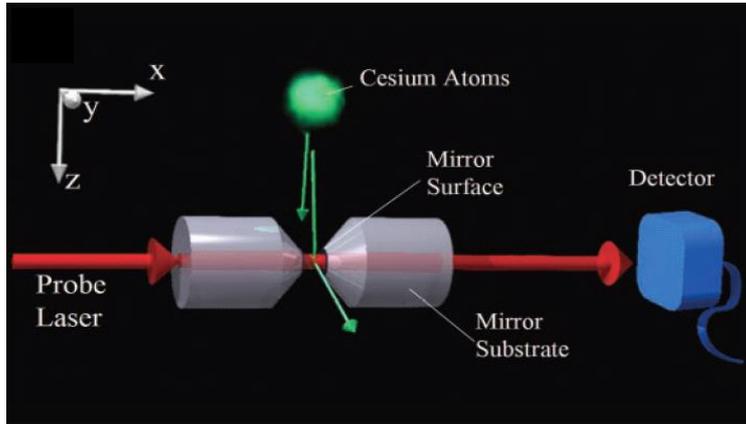
Jaynes-Cummings Ladder

Atomic cavity quantum electrodynamics reviews:

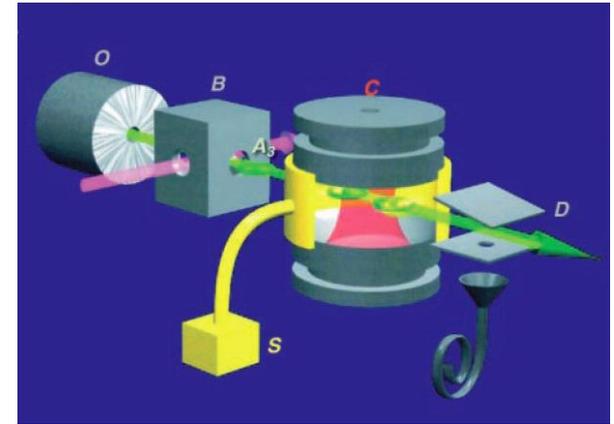
J. Ye., H. J. Kimble, H. Katori, *Science* **320**, 1734 (2008)

S. Haroche & J. Raimond, *Exploring the Quantum*, OUP Oxford (2006)

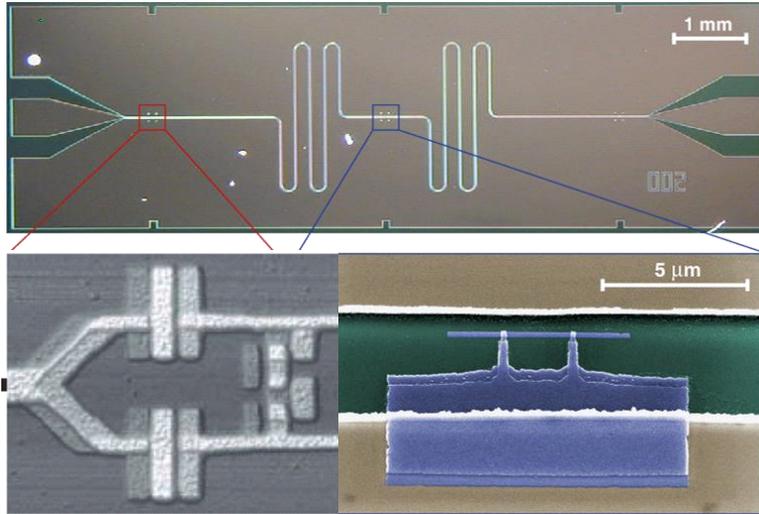
# Cavity Quantum Electrodynamics (QED)



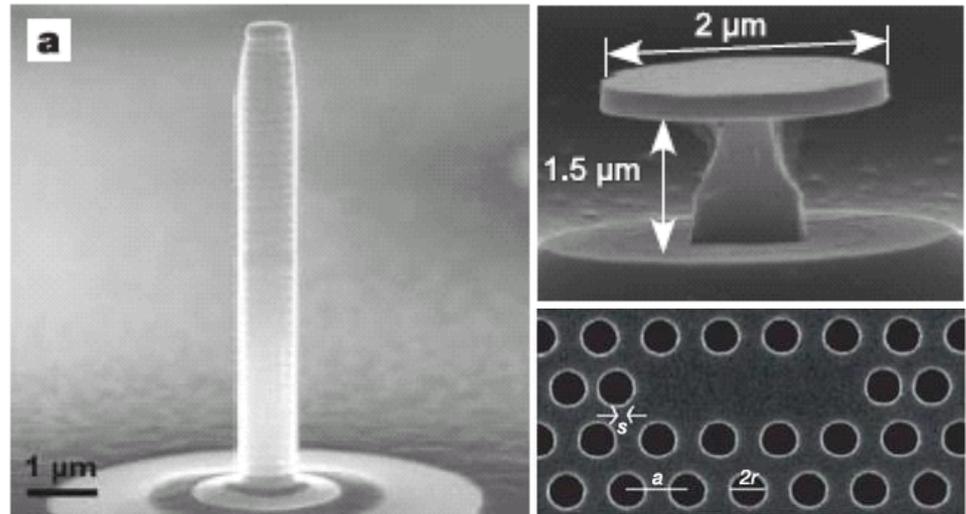
*alkali atoms*  
MPQ, Caltech, ...



*Rydberg atoms*  
ENS, MPQ, ...

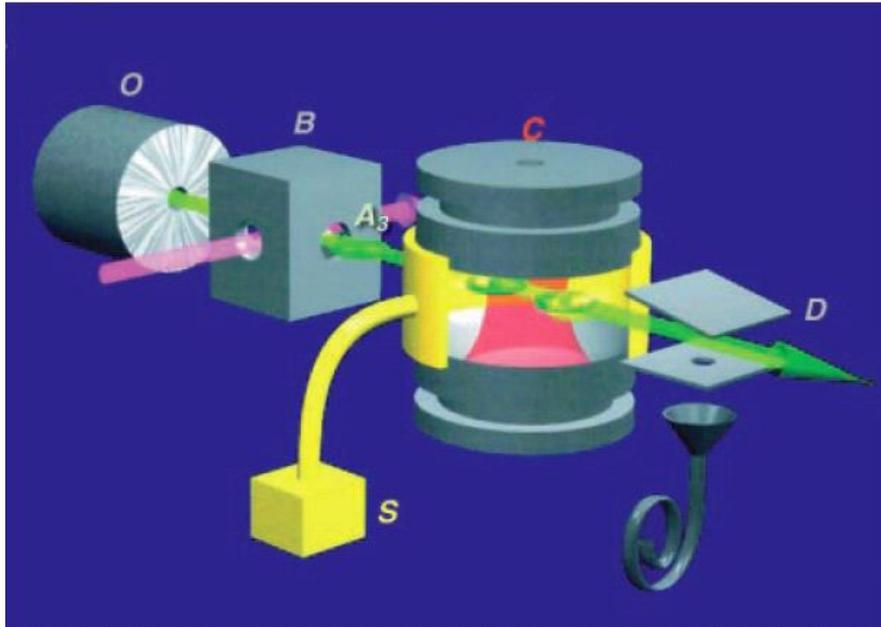


*superconductor circuits*  
Yale, Delft, NTT, ETHZ, NIST, ...

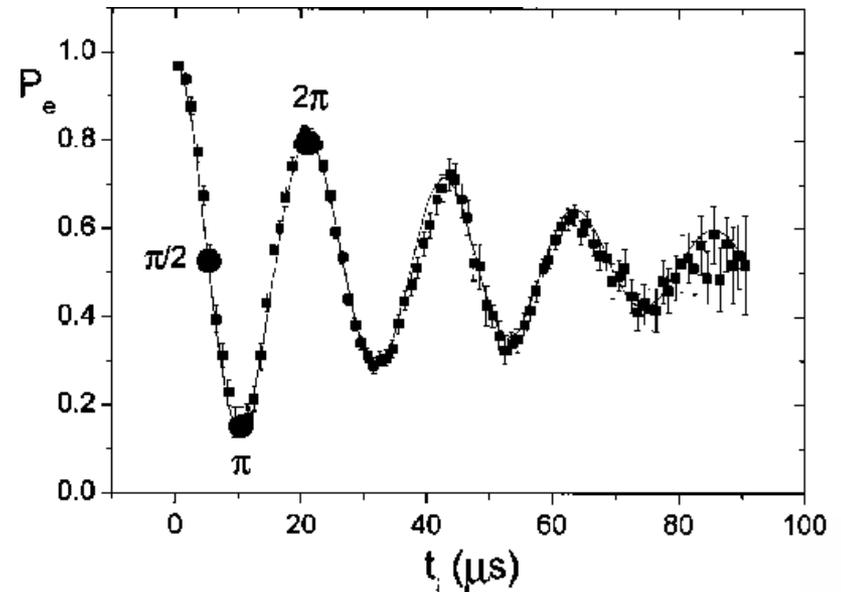
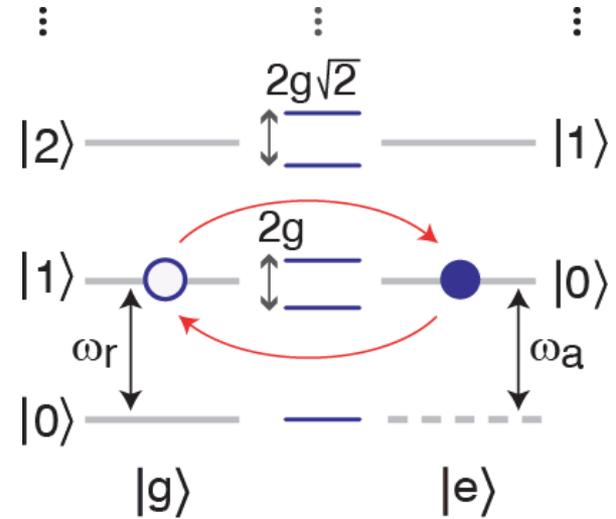


*semiconductor quantum dots*  
Wurzburg, ETHZ, Stanford ...

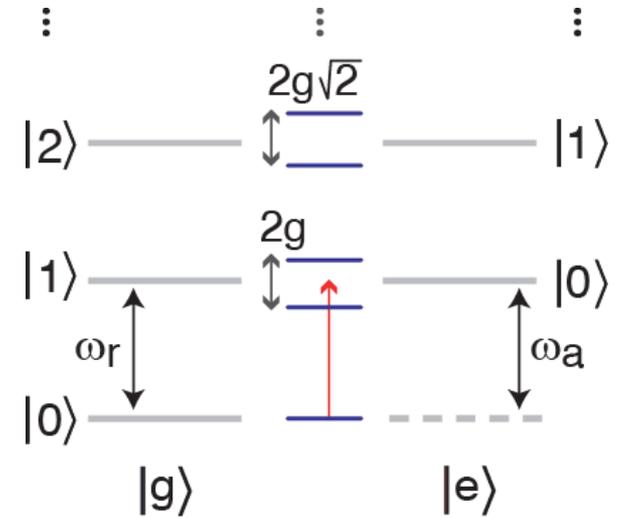
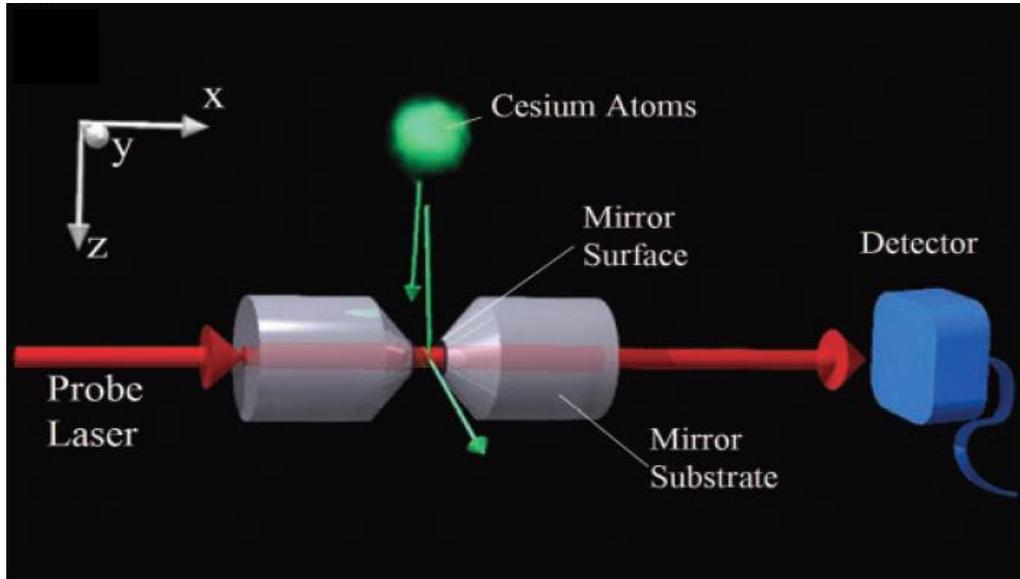
# Vacuum Rabi Oscillations with Rydberg Atoms



Review: J. M. Raimond, M. Brune, and S. Haroche  
*Rev. Mod. Phys.* **73**, 565 (2001)  
 P. Hyafil, ..., J. M. Raimond, and S. Haroche,  
*Phys. Rev. Lett.* **93**, 103001 (2004)

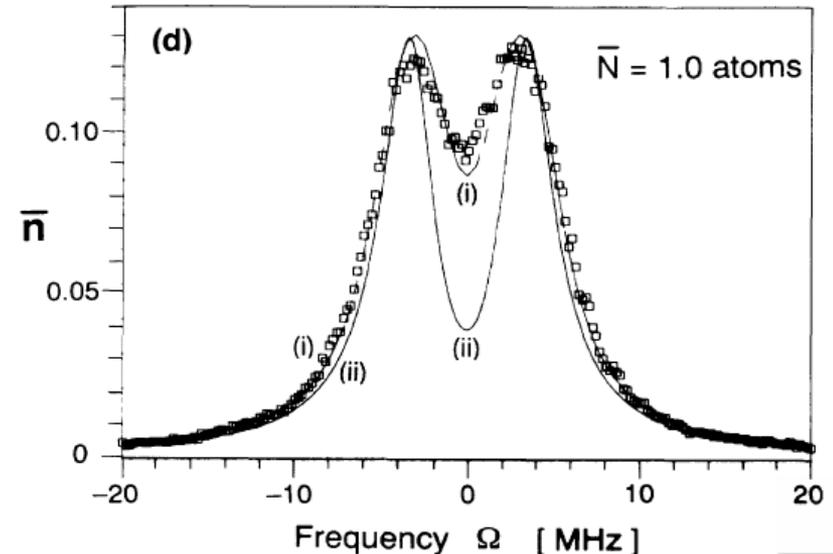


# Vacuum Rabi Mode Splitting with Alkali Atoms

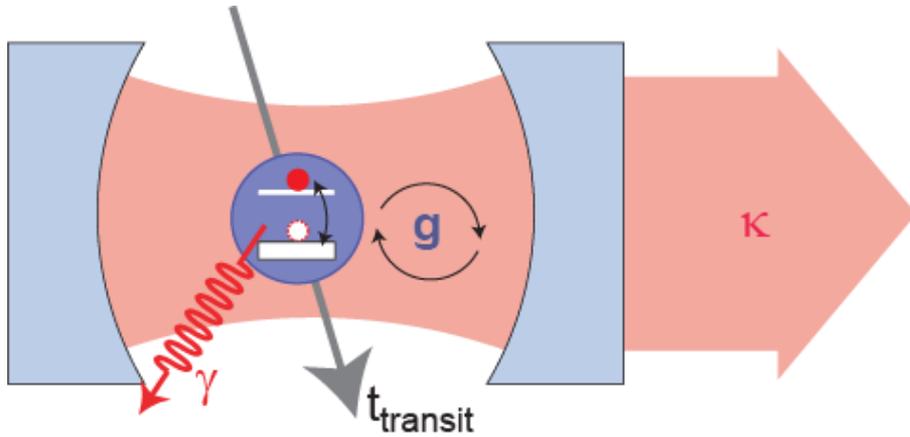


R. J. Thompson, G. Rempe, & H. J. Kimble,  
*Phys. Rev. Lett.* **68** 1132 (1992)

A. Boca, ... , J. McKeever, & H. J. Kimble  
*Phys. Rev. Lett.* **93**, 233603 (2004)



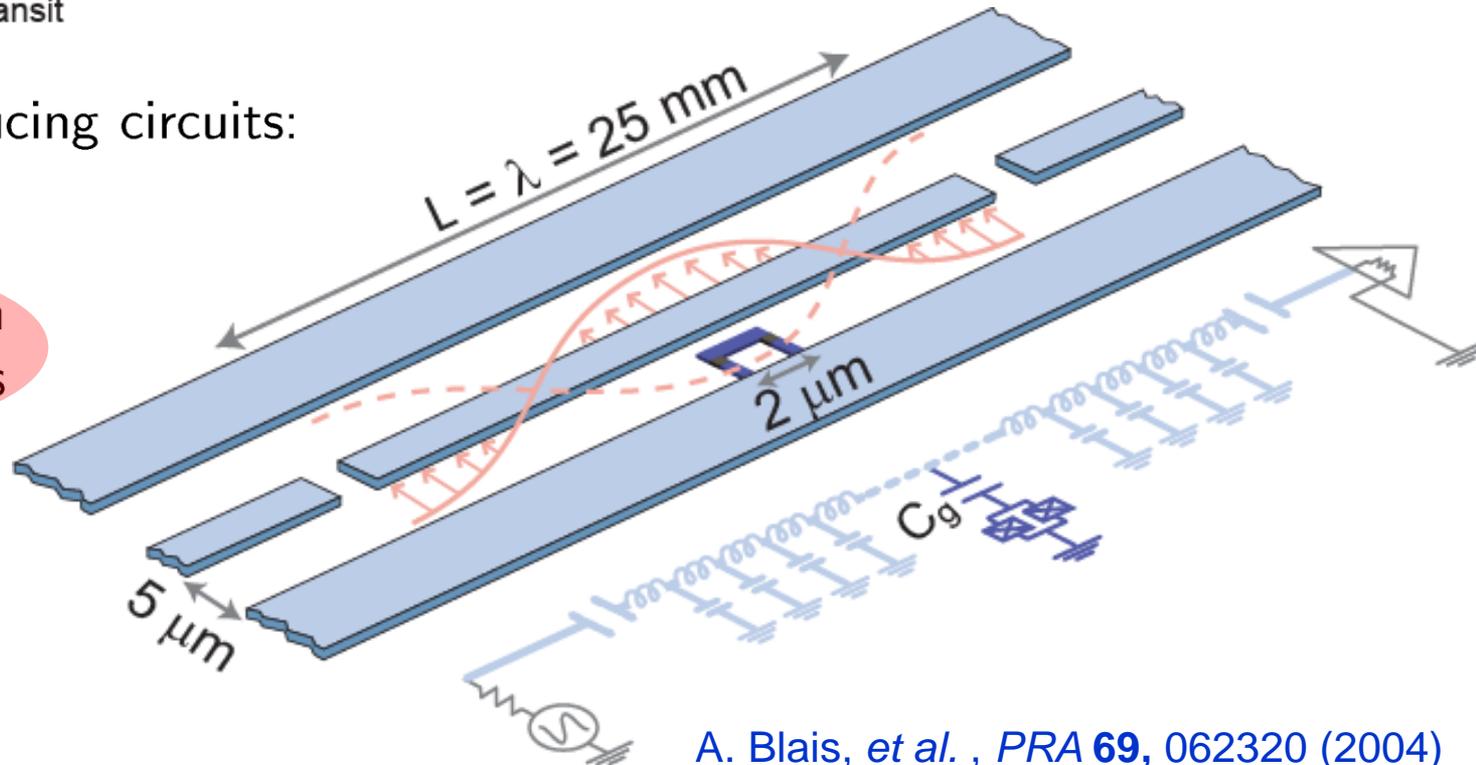
# Cavity QED with Superconducting Circuits



coherent quantum mechanics  
with individual photons and qubits ...

... in superconducting circuits:

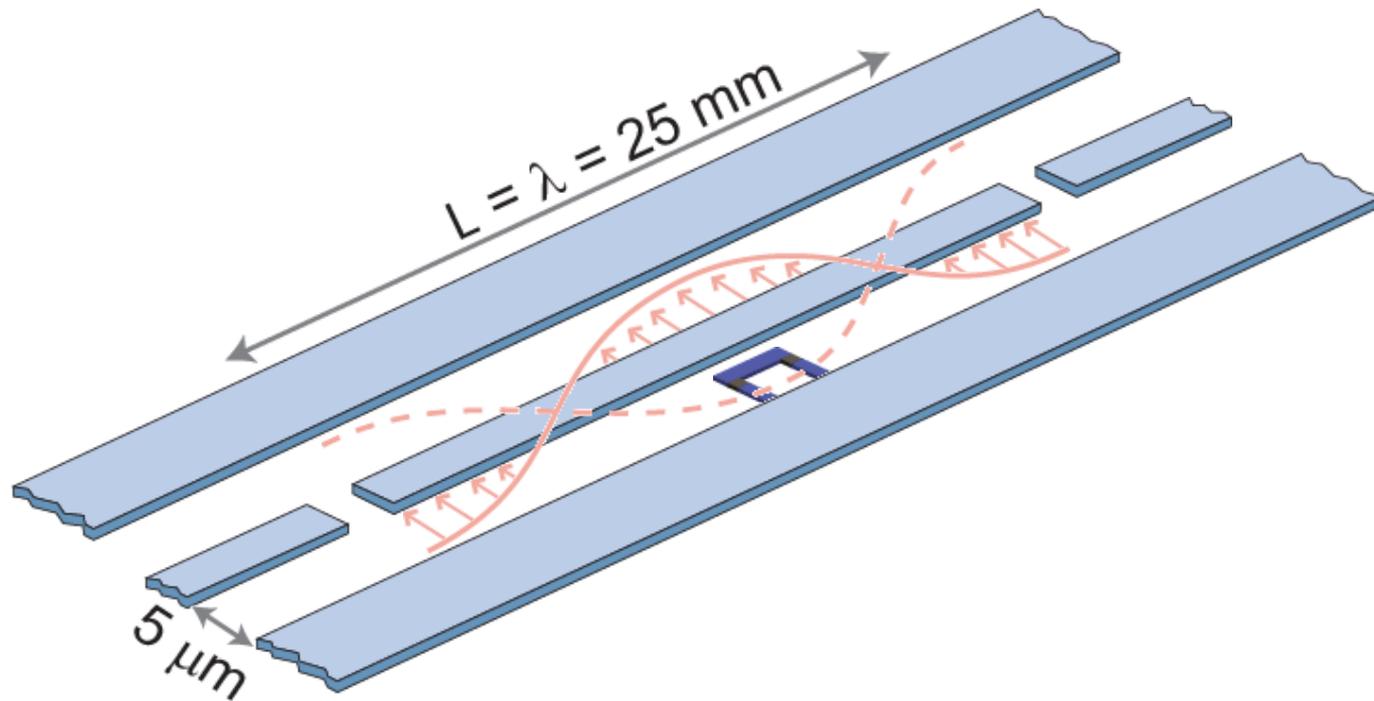
circuit quantum  
electrodynamics



A. Blais, *et al.*, *PRA* **69**, 062320 (2004)

A. Wallraff *et al.*, *Nature (London)* **431**, 162 (2004)

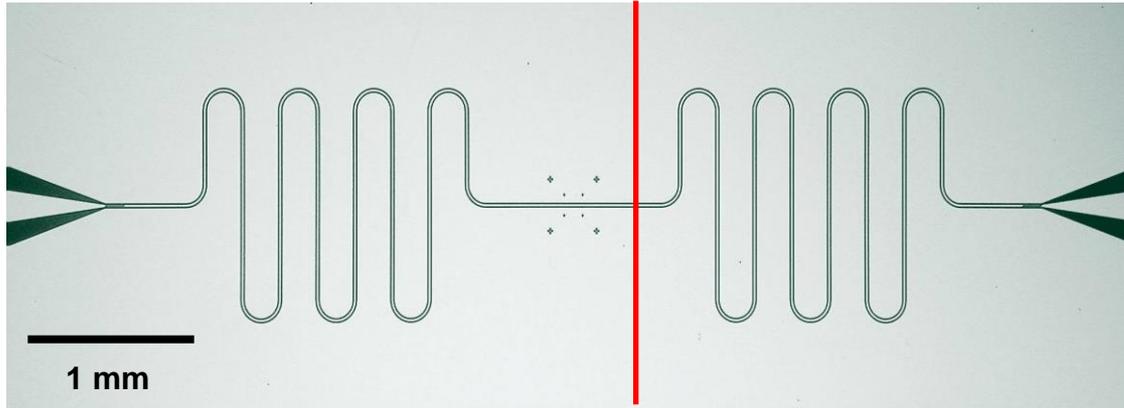
# Circuit Quantum Electrodynamics



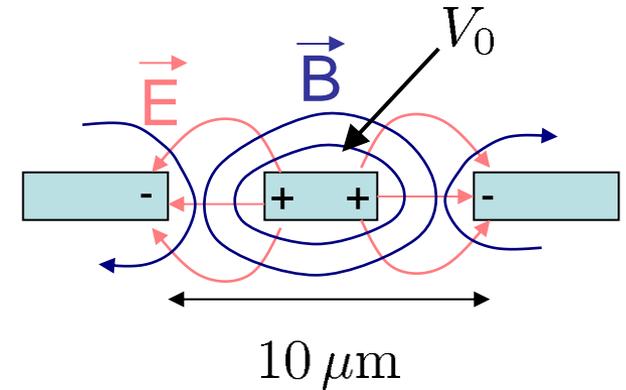
elements

- the cavity: a superconducting 1D transmission line resonator with **large vacuum field**  $E_0$  and **long photon life time**  $1/\kappa$
- the artificial atom: a Cooper pair box with large  $E_J/E_C$  with **large dipole moment**  $d$  and **long coherence time**  $1/\gamma$

# Vacuum Field in 1D Cavity



cross-section  
of transm. line (TEM mode):



voltage across resonator in vacuum state ( $n = 0$ )

$$V_{0,\text{rms}} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar\omega_r}{2C}} \approx 1 \mu\text{V}$$

harmonic oscillator

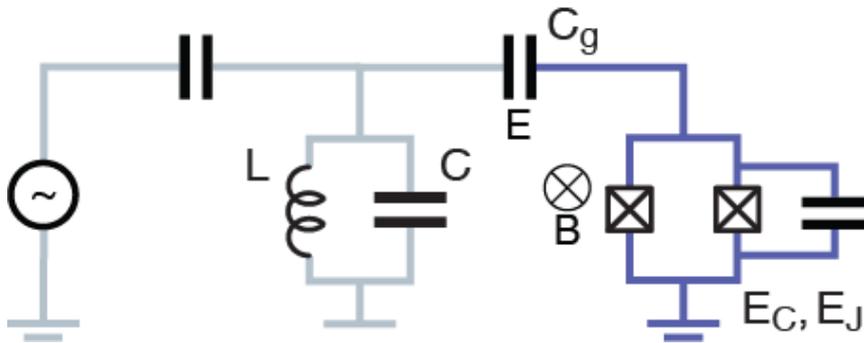
$$H_r = \hbar\omega_r \left( a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$E_0 = \frac{V_{0,\text{rms}}}{b} \approx 0.2 \text{ V/m}$$

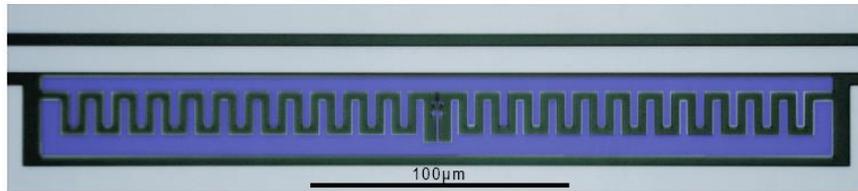
$\times 10^6$  larger than  $E_0$   
in 3D microwave cavity

for  $\omega_r/2\pi \approx 6 \text{ GHz}$  ( $C \sim 1 \text{ pF}$ ),  $b \approx 5 \mu\text{m}$

# Qubit/Photon Coupling in a Circuit



qubit coupled to resonator



coupling strength:

$$\hbar g = eV_{0,\text{rms}} \frac{C_g}{C_\Sigma}$$

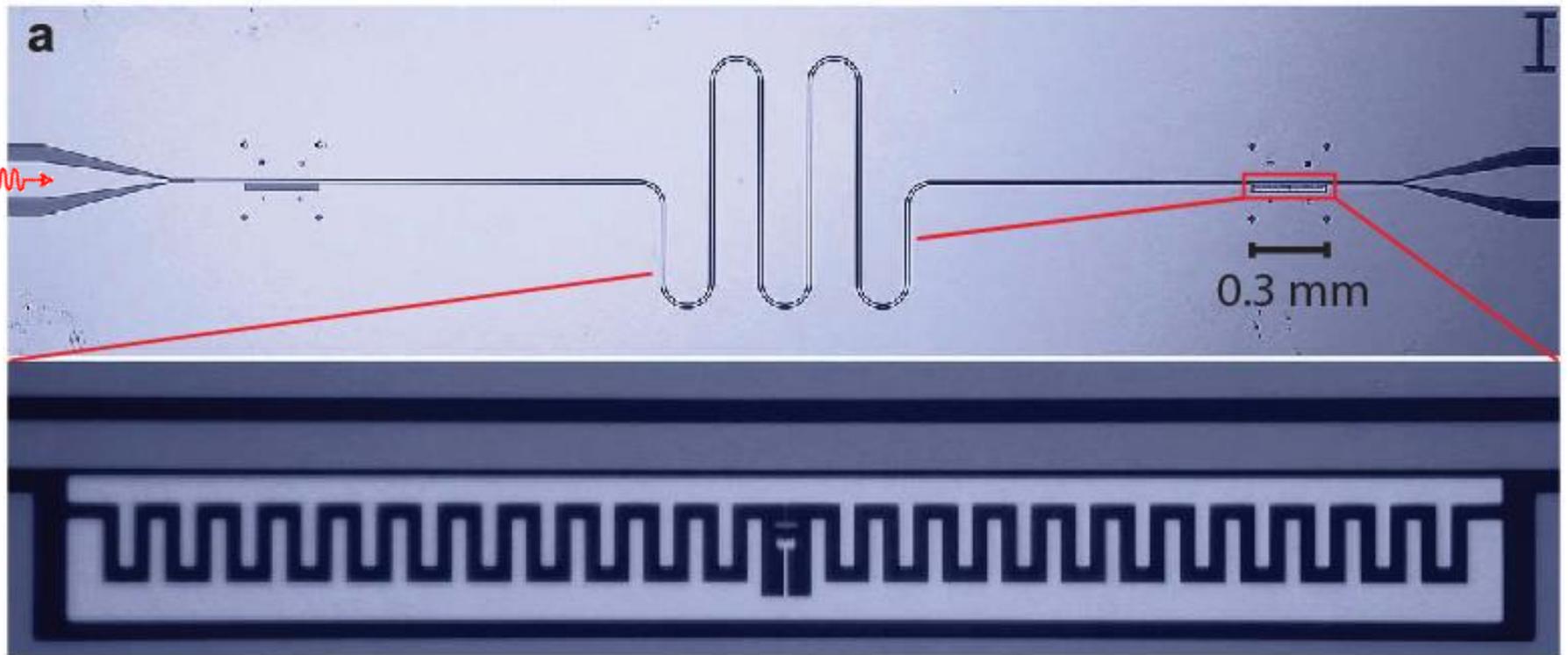
$$\Rightarrow \nu_{\text{vac}} = \frac{g}{\pi} \approx 1 \dots 300 \text{ MHz}$$

$g \gg [\kappa, \gamma]$  possible!

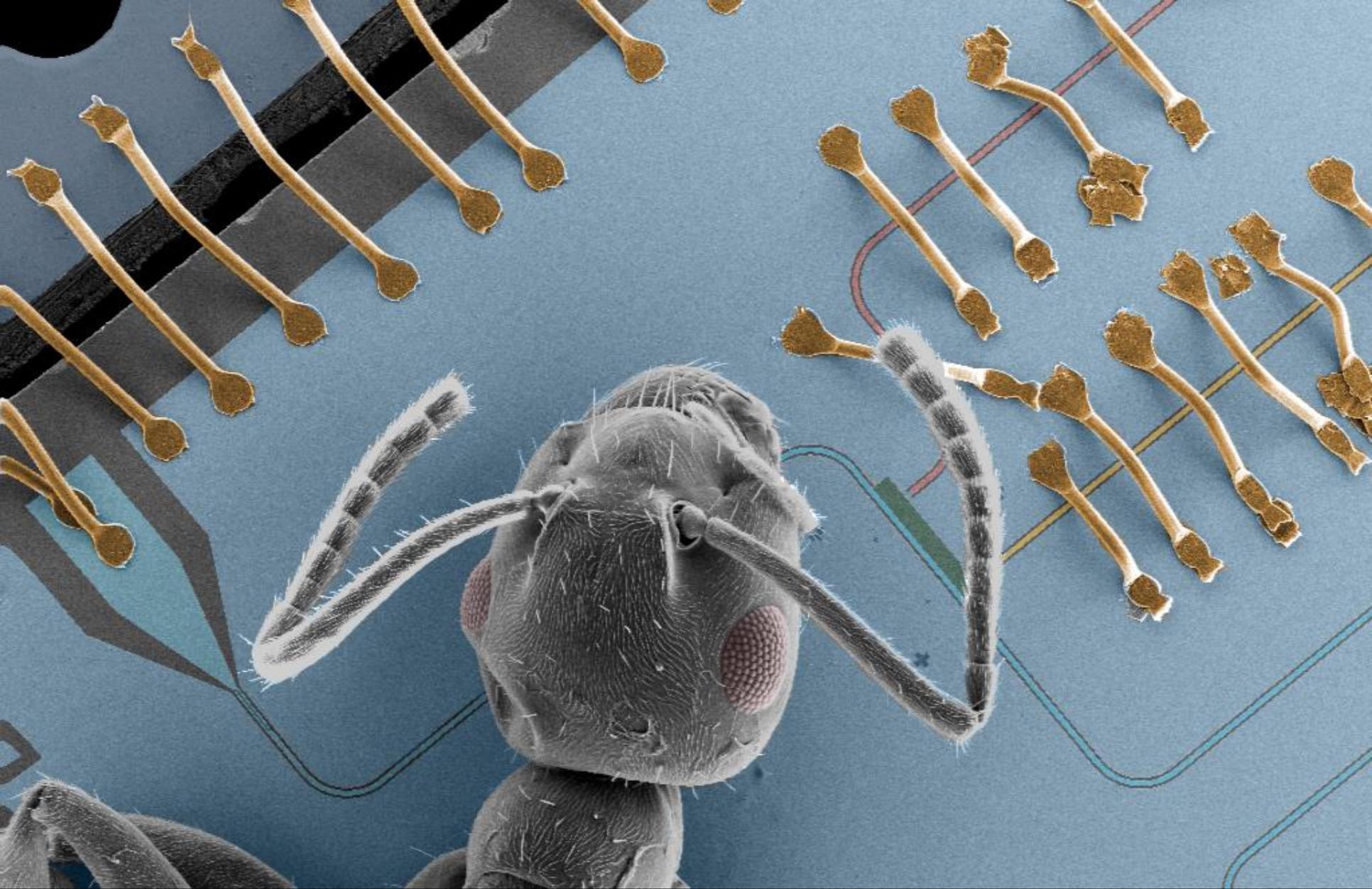
large effective dipole moment

$$d = \frac{\hbar g}{E_0} \sim 10^2 \dots 10^4 ea_0$$

# Circuit QED with One Photon



superconducting cavity QED circuit



# Sample Mount

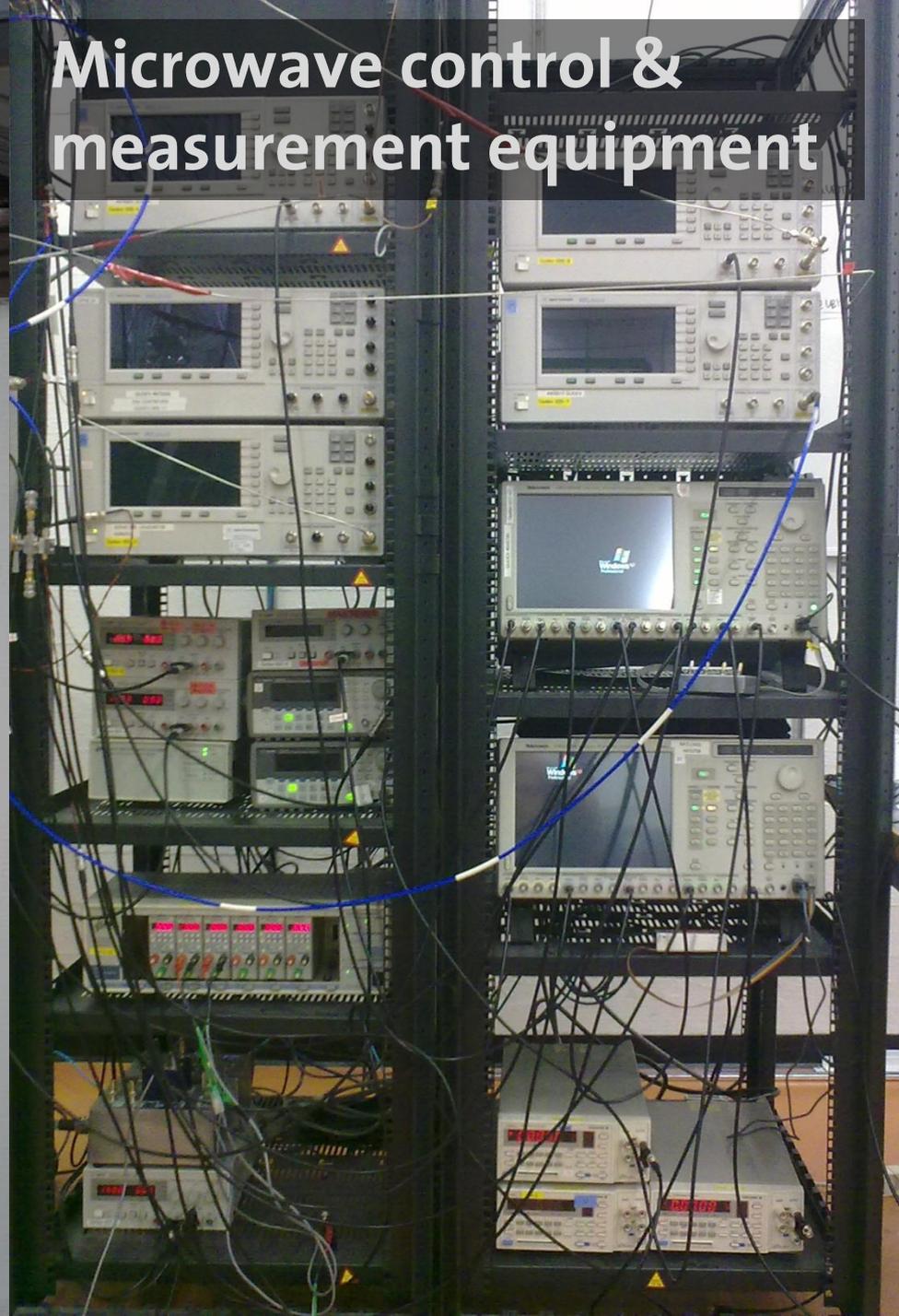


Cryostat for temperatures down to 0.02 K



~ 20 cm

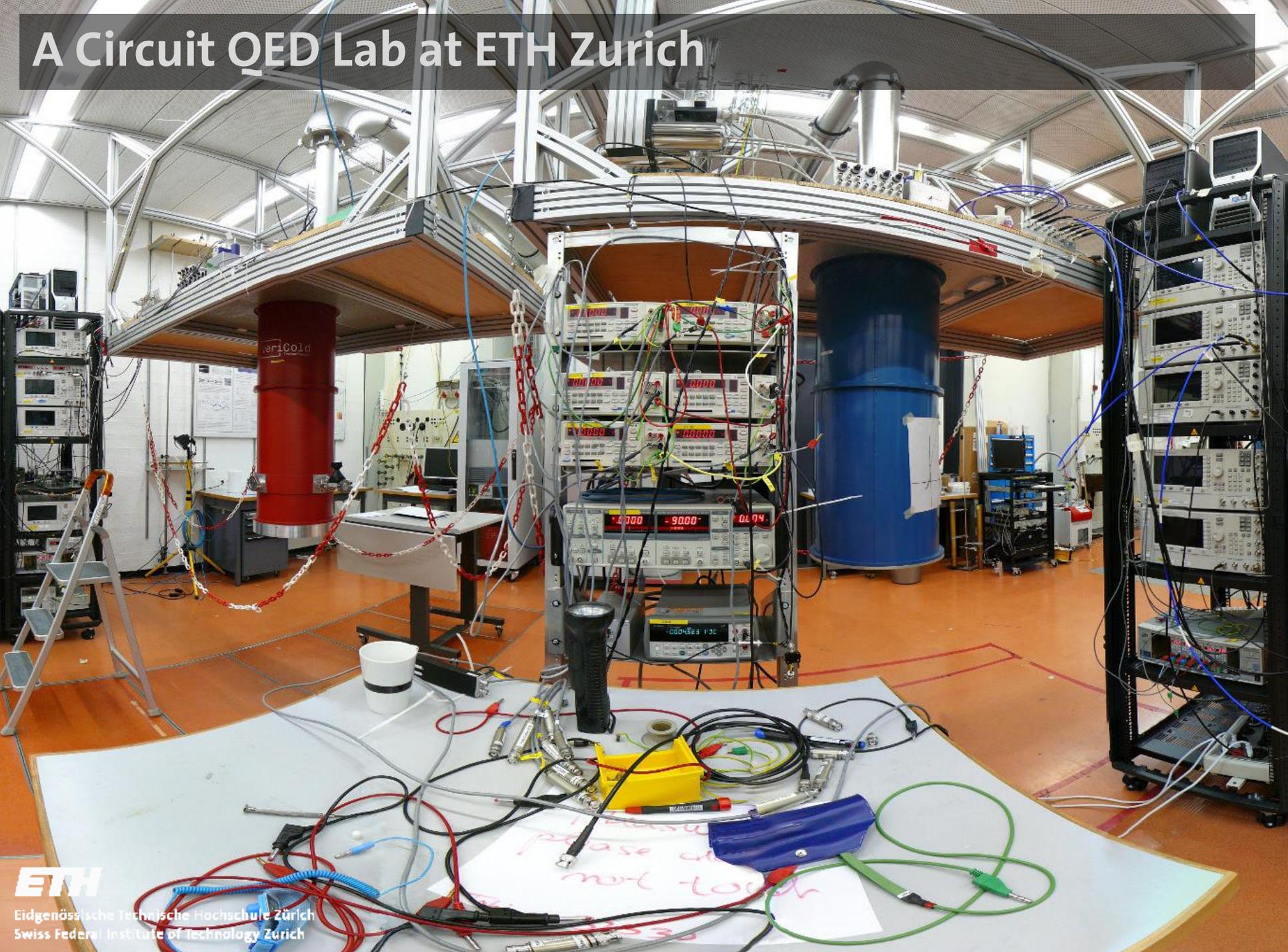
Microwave control & measurement equipment



**ETH**

Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich  
Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich

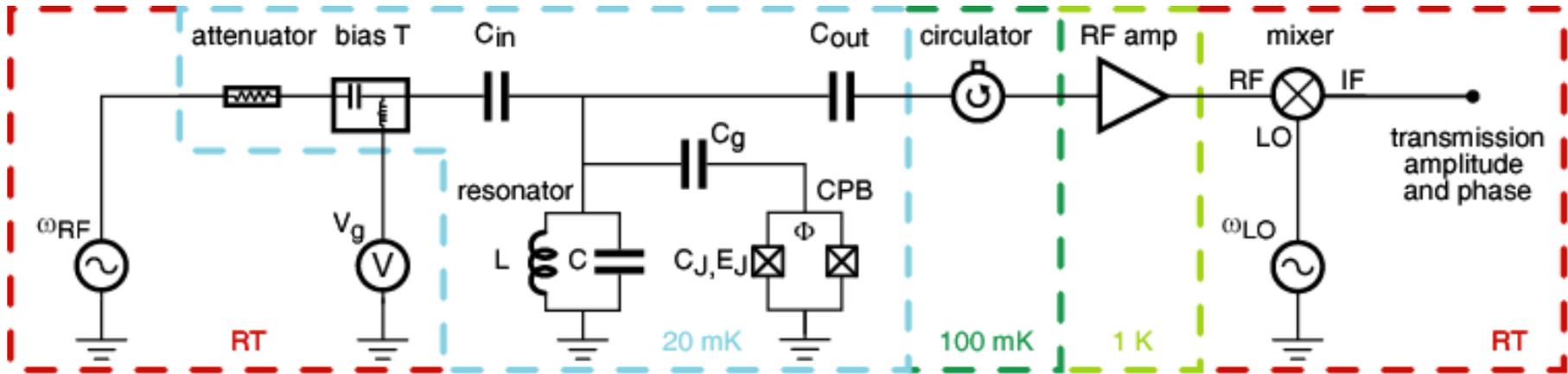
# A Circuit QED Lab at ETH Zurich



# How to Measure Single Microwave Photons

- average power to be detected

$$\rightarrow \langle n = 1 \rangle \hbar \omega_r \kappa / 2 \approx P_{RF} = -140 \text{ dBm} = 10^{-17} \text{ W}$$

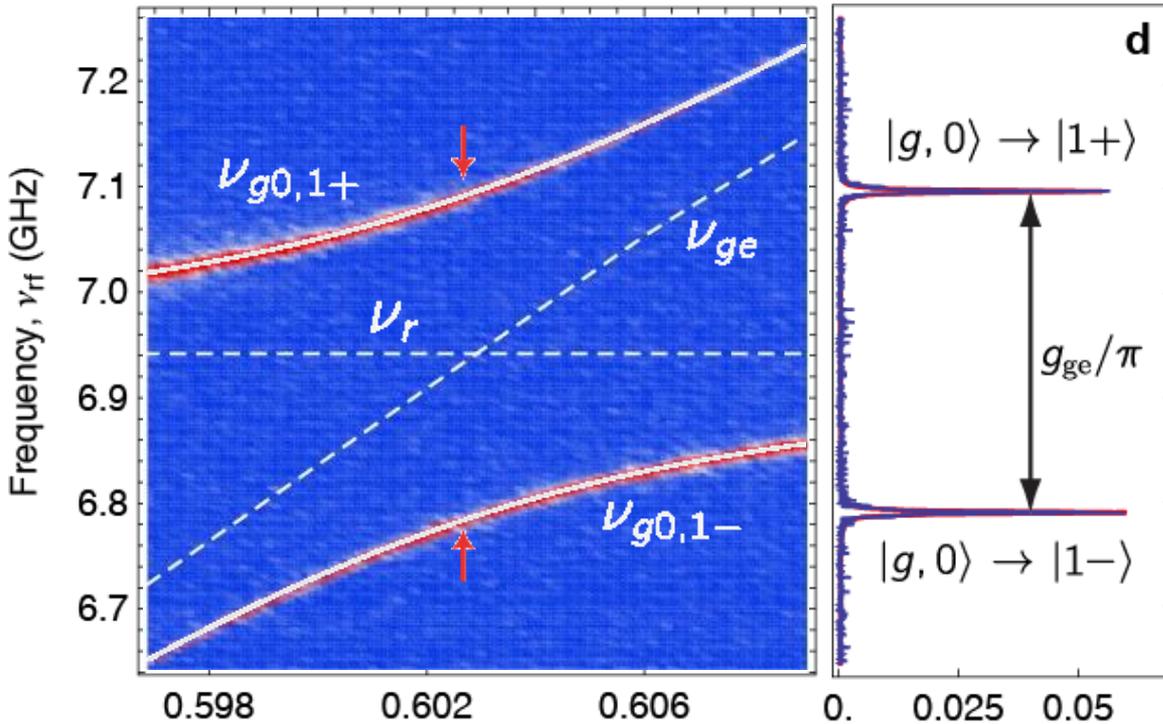


- efficient with cryogenic low noise HEMT amplifier ( $T_N = 6 \text{ K}$ )
- prevent leakage of thermal photons (cold attenuators and circulators)

# Resonant Vacuum Rabi Mode Splitting ...

... with one photon ( $n=1$ ):

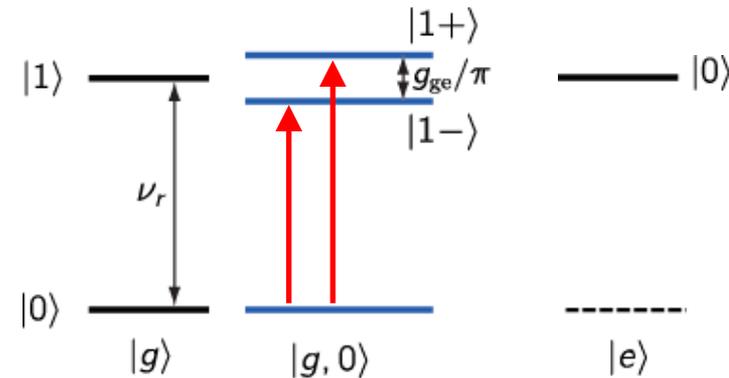
very strong coupling:



$$g_{ge}/\pi = 308 \text{ MHz}$$

$$\kappa, \gamma < 1 \text{ MHz}$$

$$g_{ge} \gg \kappa, \gamma$$



forming a 'molecule' of a qubit and a photon

first demonstration in a solid: A. Wallraff et al., *Nature (London)* **431**, 162 (2004)

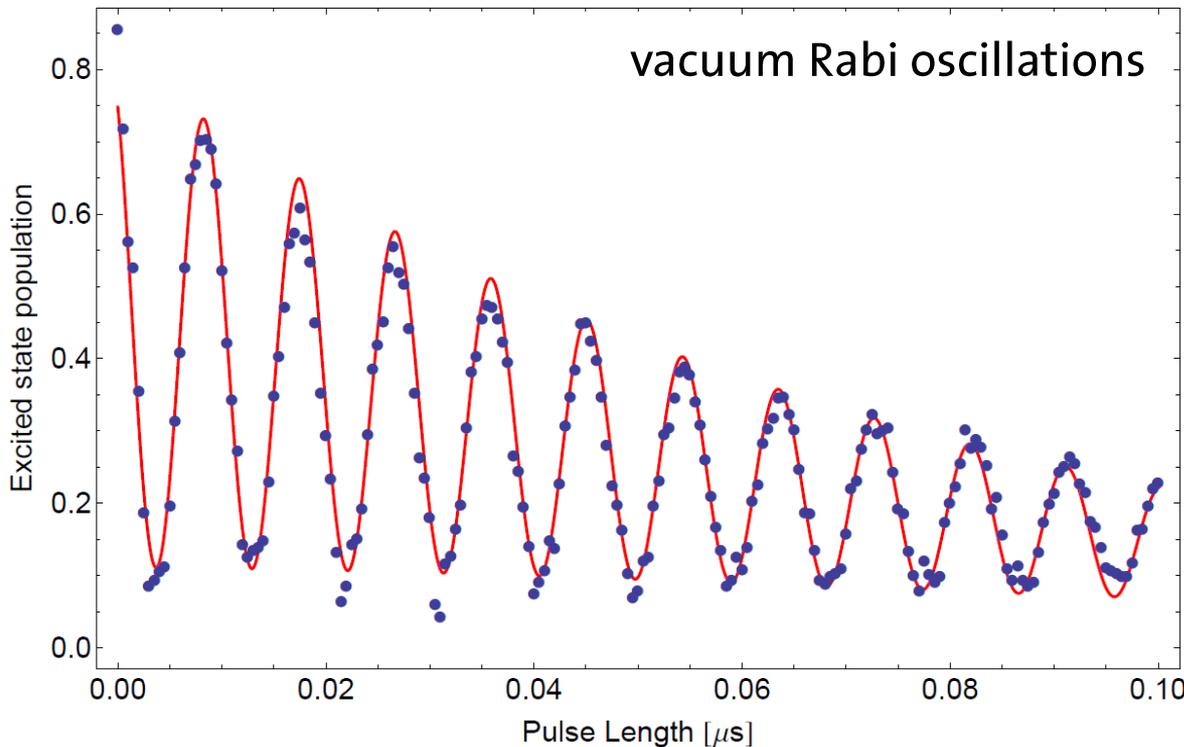
this data: J. Fink et al., *Nature (London)* **454**, 315 (2008)

R. J. Schoelkopf, S. M. Girvin, *Nature (London)* **451**, 664 (2008)

# Resonant Vacuum Rabi Mode Splitting ...

... with one photon ( $n=1$ ):

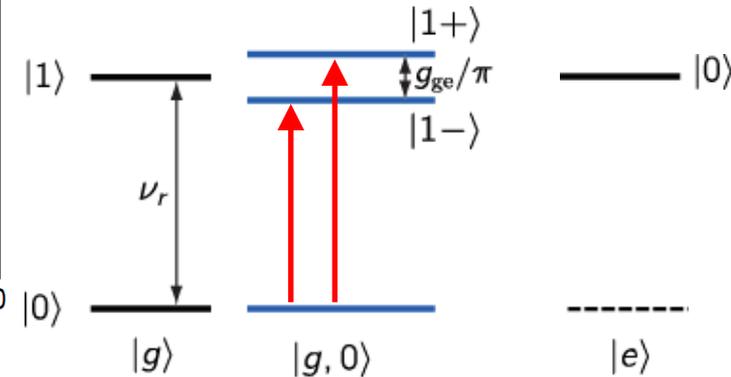
very strong coupling:



$$g_{ge}/\pi = 308 \text{ MHz}$$

$$\kappa, \gamma < 1 \text{ MHz}$$

$$g_{ge} \gg \kappa, \gamma$$



forming a 'molecule' of a qubit and a photon

first demonstration in a solid: A. Wallraff et al., *Nature (London)* **431**, 162 (2004)

this data: J. Fink et al., *Nature (London)* **454**, 315 (2008)

R. J. Schoelkopf, S. M. Girvin, *Nature (London)* **451**, 664 (2008)