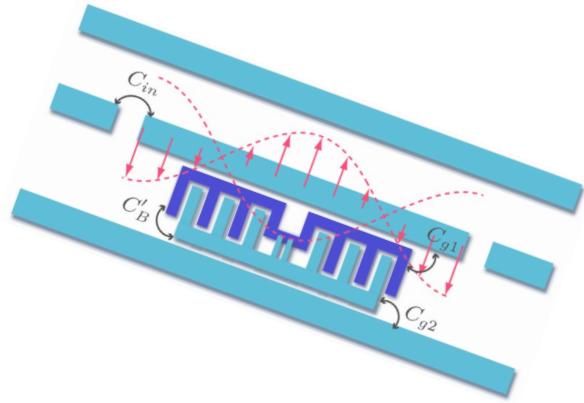


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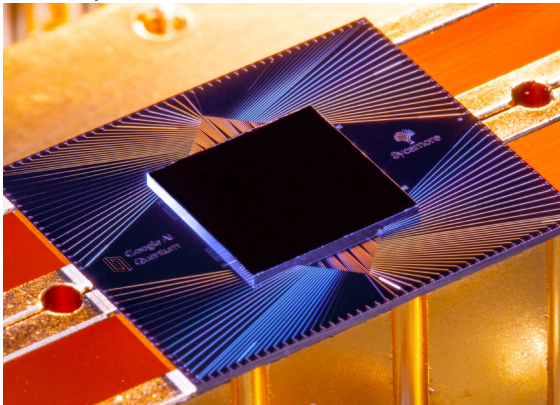
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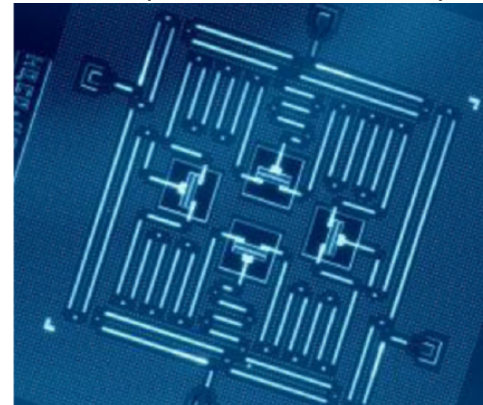


What is so special?

Google (53 qubits processor Sycamore)



IBM (4 qubit processor)



F. Arute et al. "Quantum supremacy using a programmable superconducting processor". *Nature* **574.7779** (Oct. 2019), 505.

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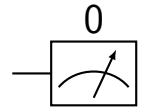
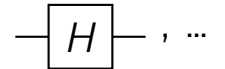
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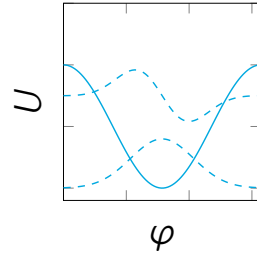
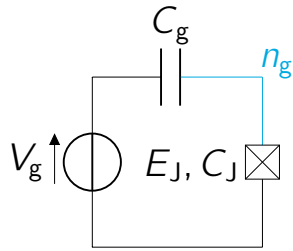
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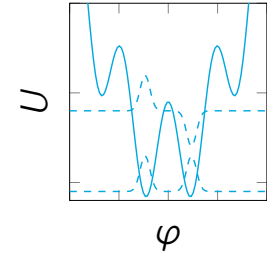
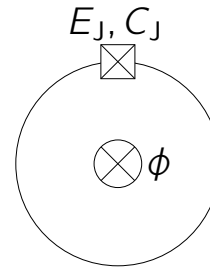
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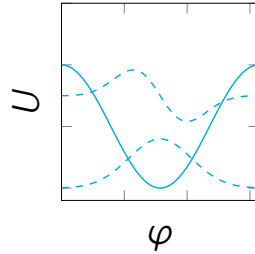
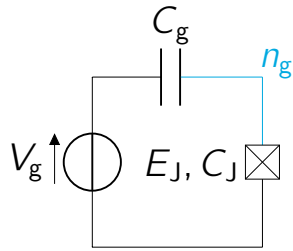
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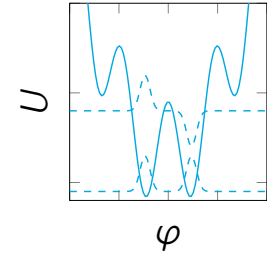
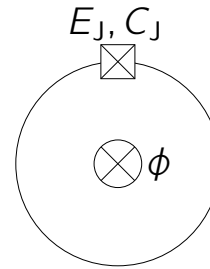
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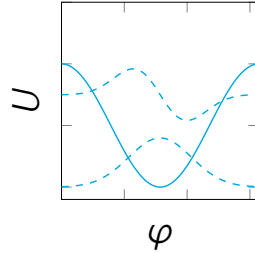
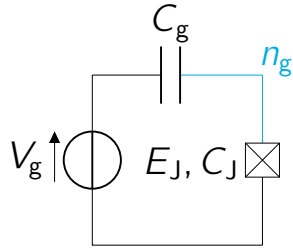
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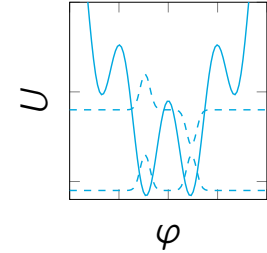
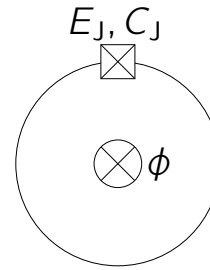


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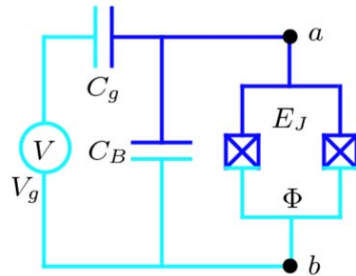
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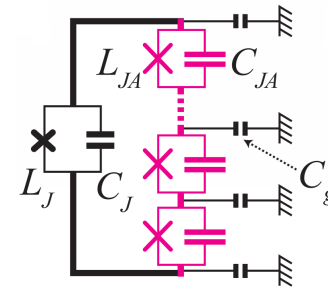
Increase E_J/E_C with large shunting capacitance



$$E_J/E_C \sim 100$$

Fluxonium qubit

Small junction shunted by an JJ array



$$E_J/E_C \sim 1 - 10$$

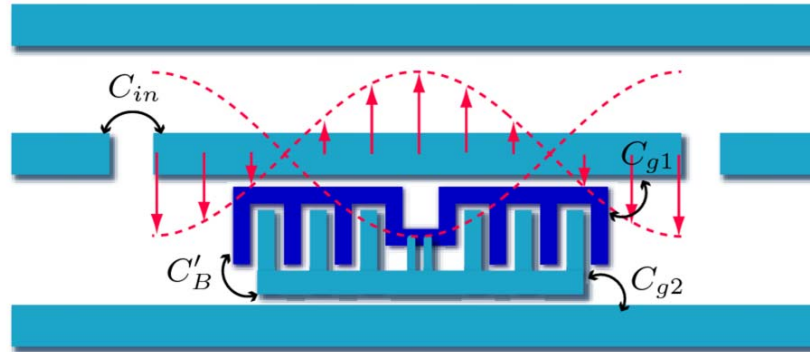
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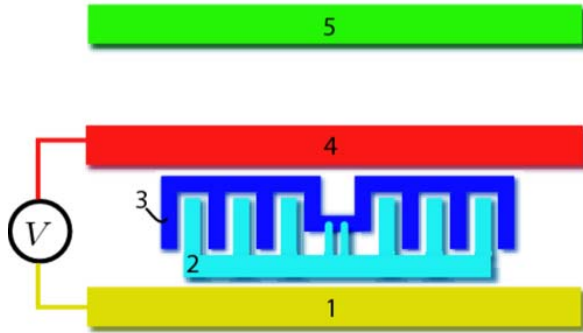
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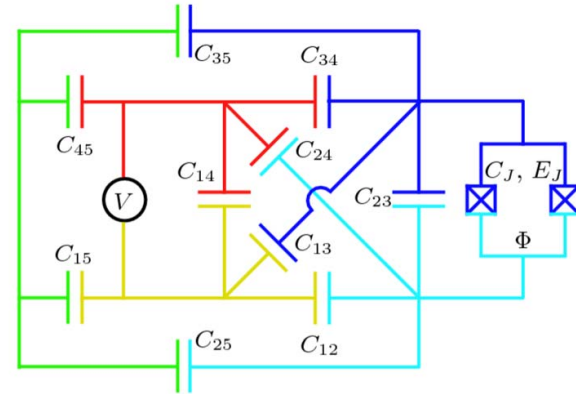
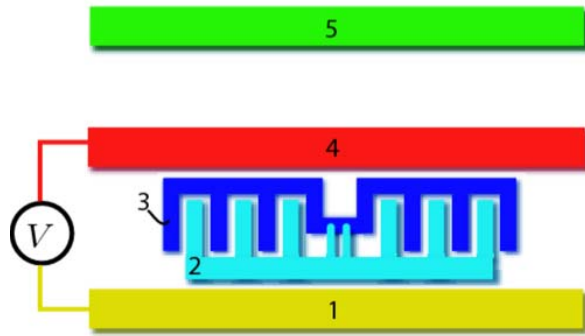
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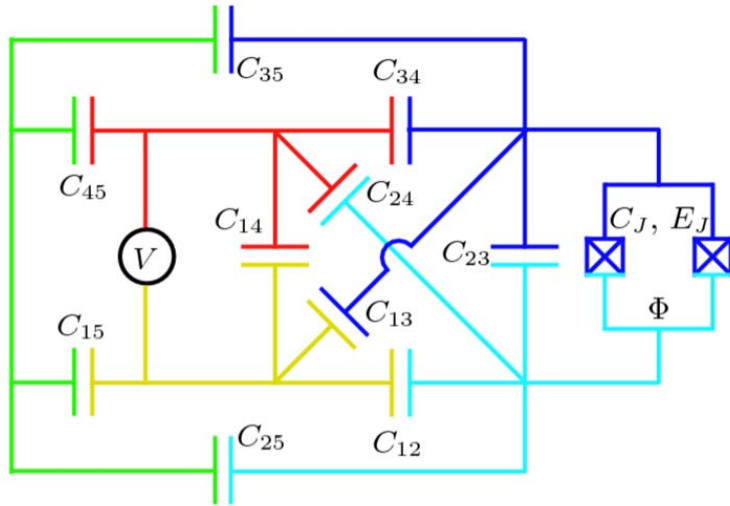
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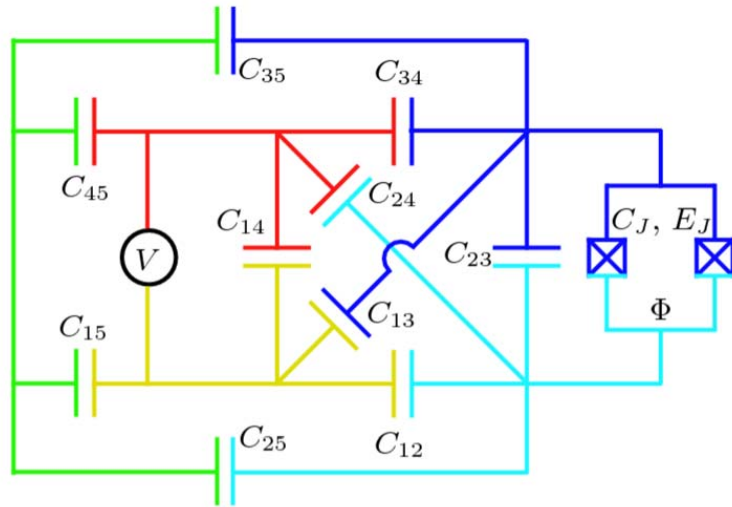
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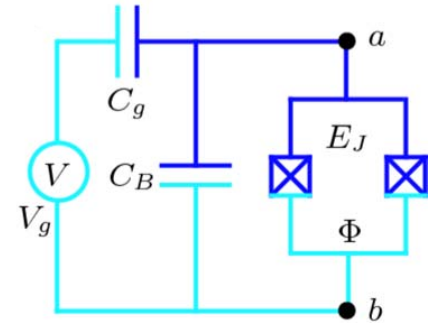


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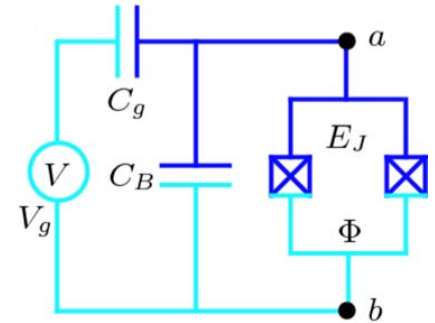
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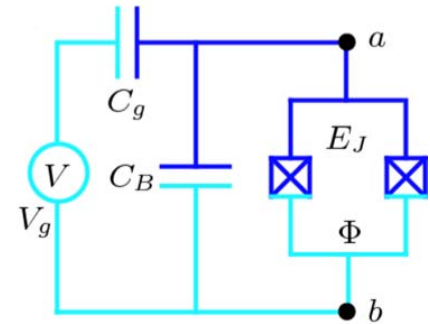
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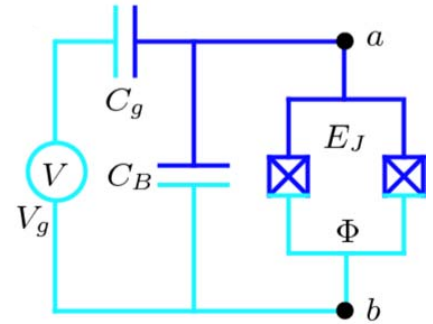
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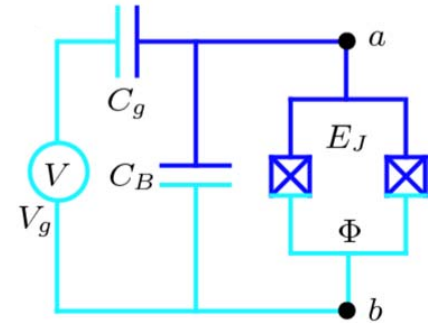
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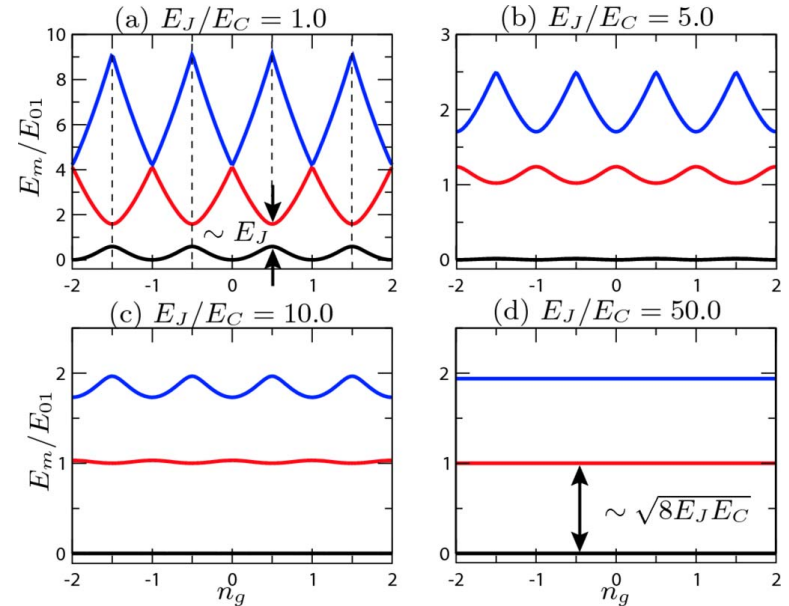
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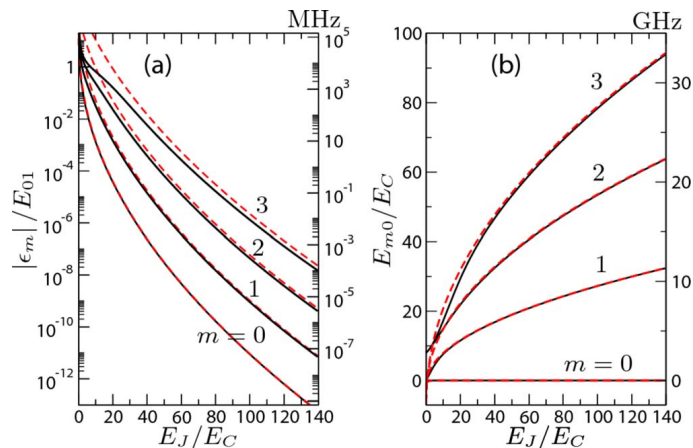
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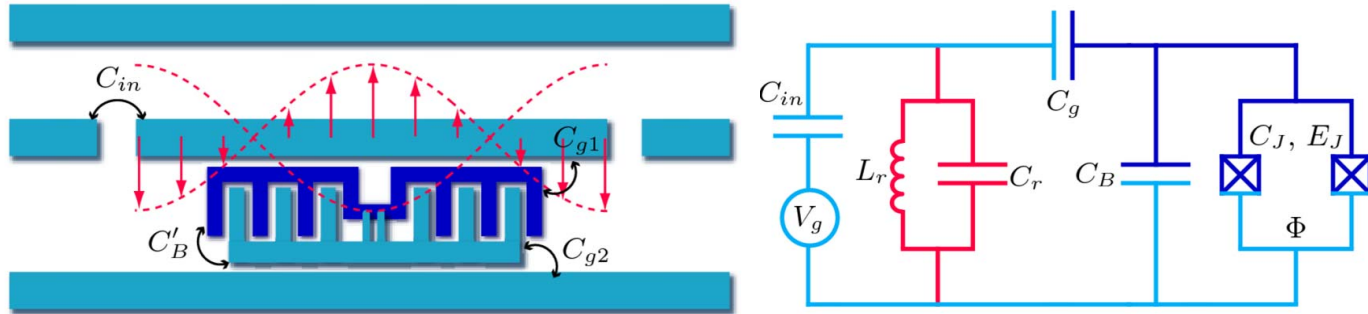


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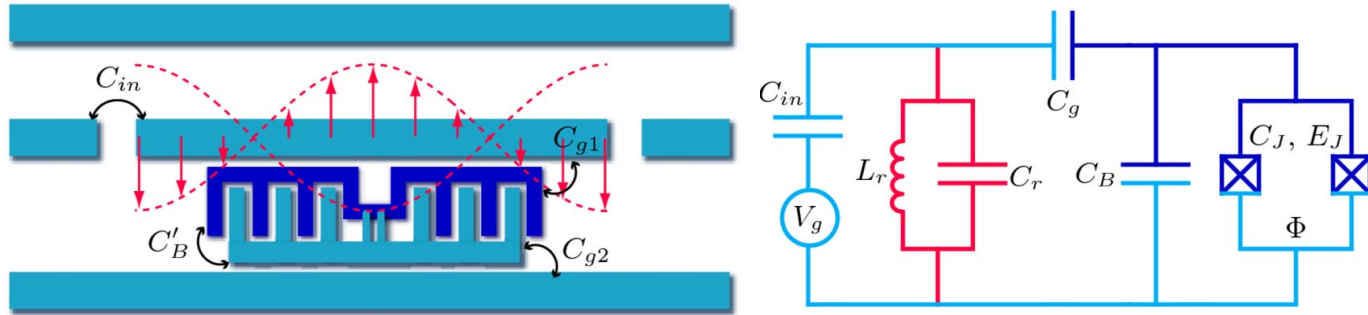
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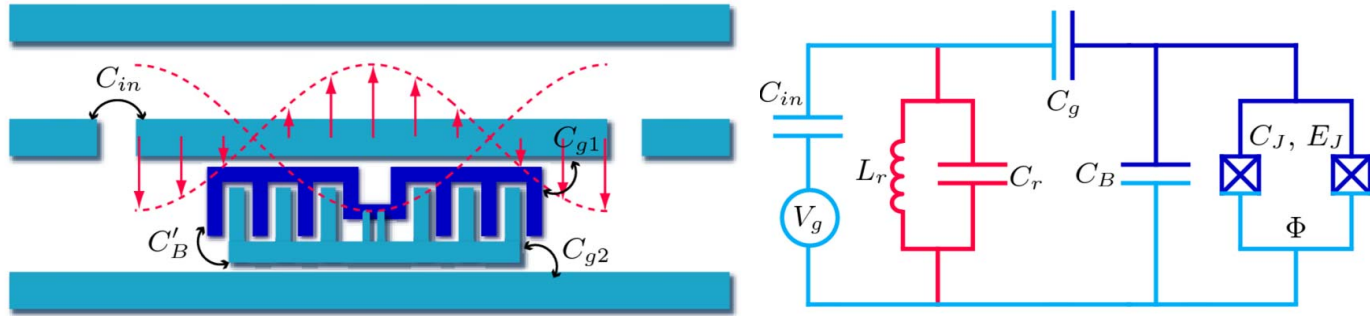
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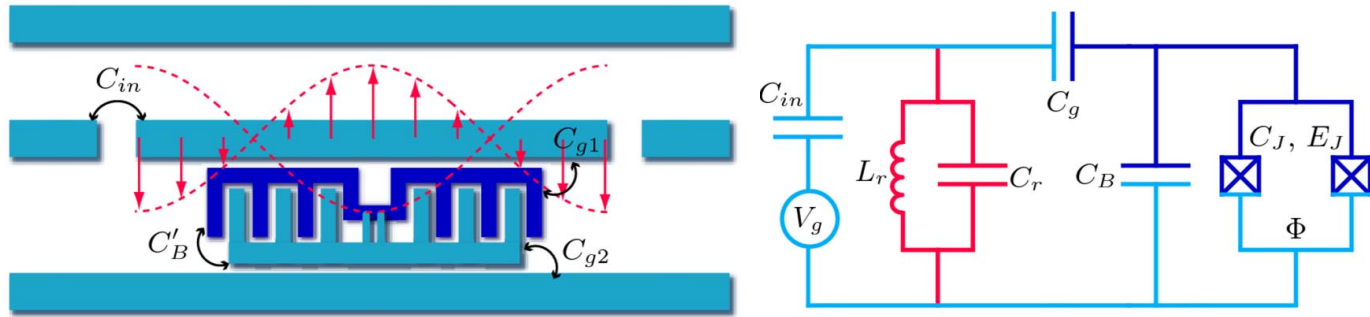


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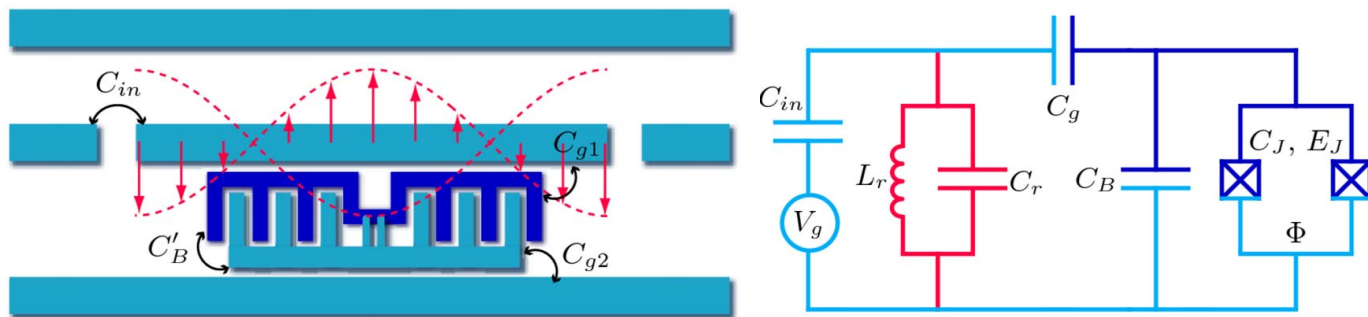
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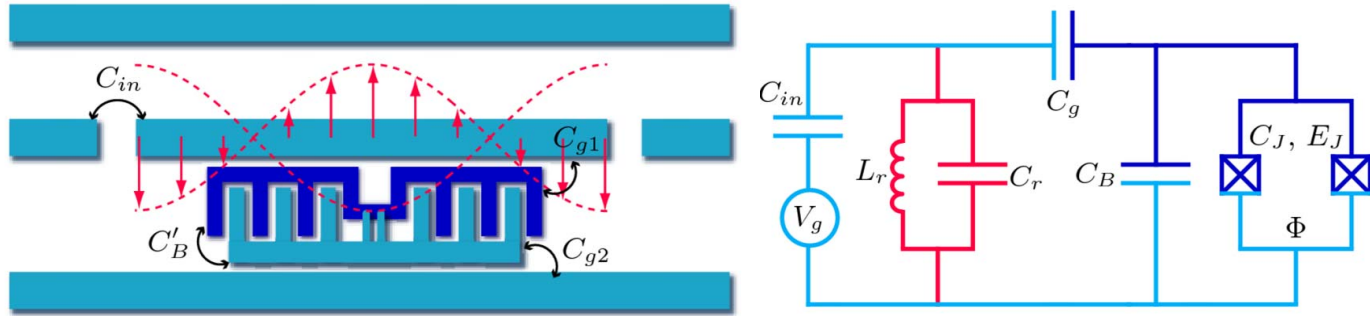


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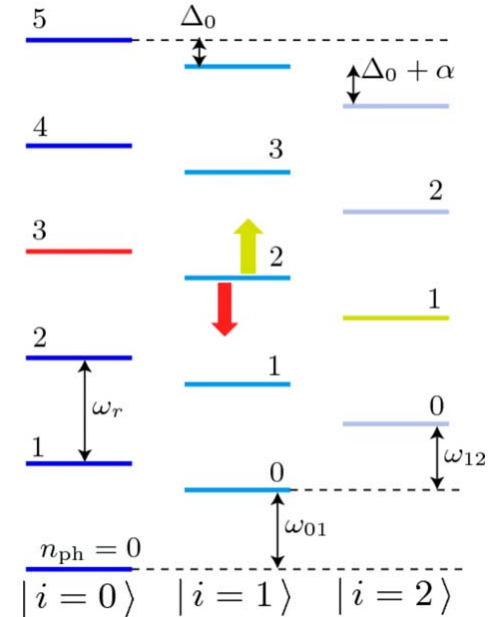
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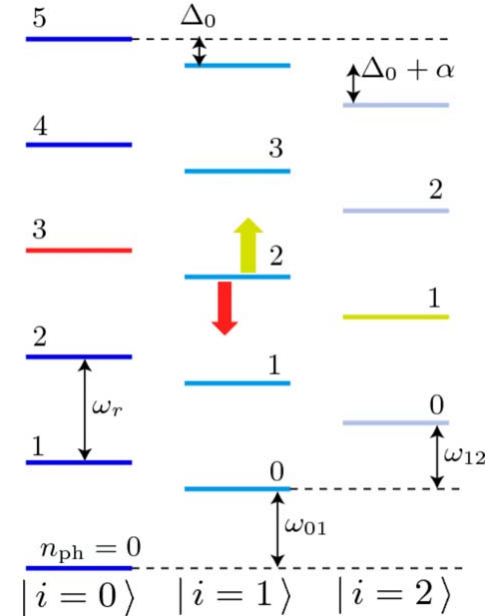


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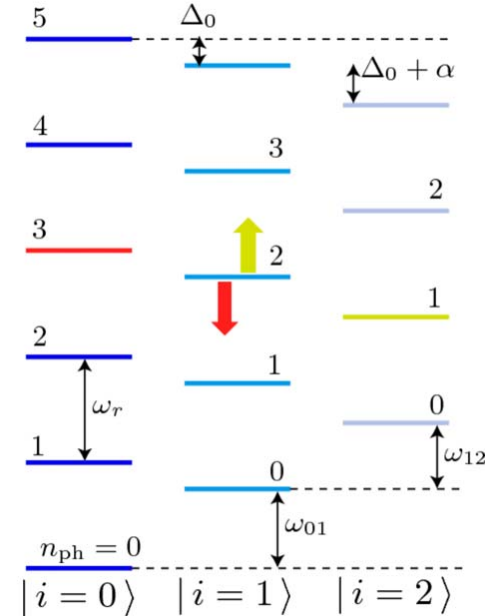
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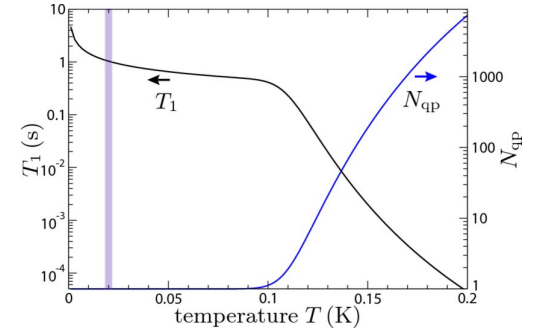
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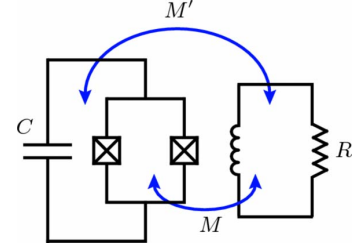
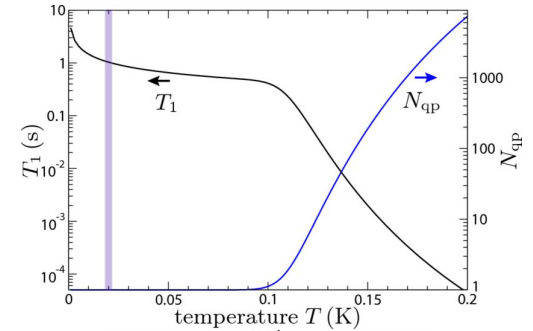
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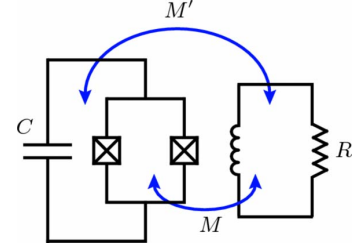
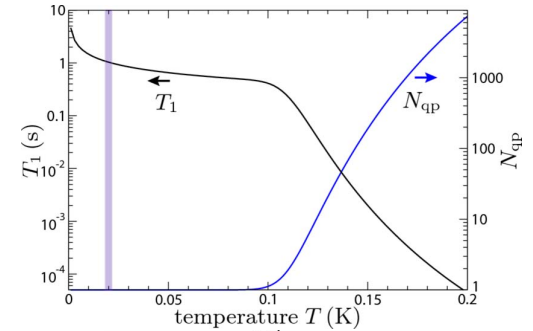
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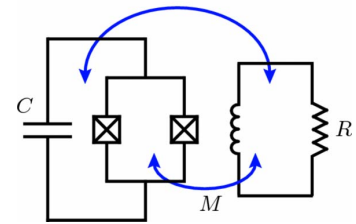
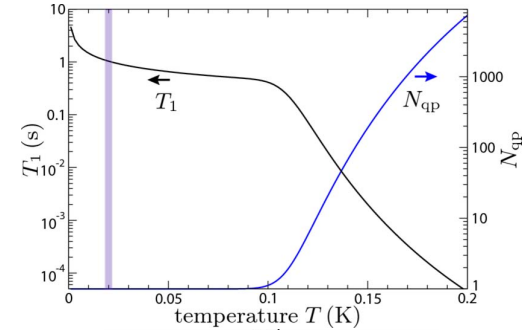
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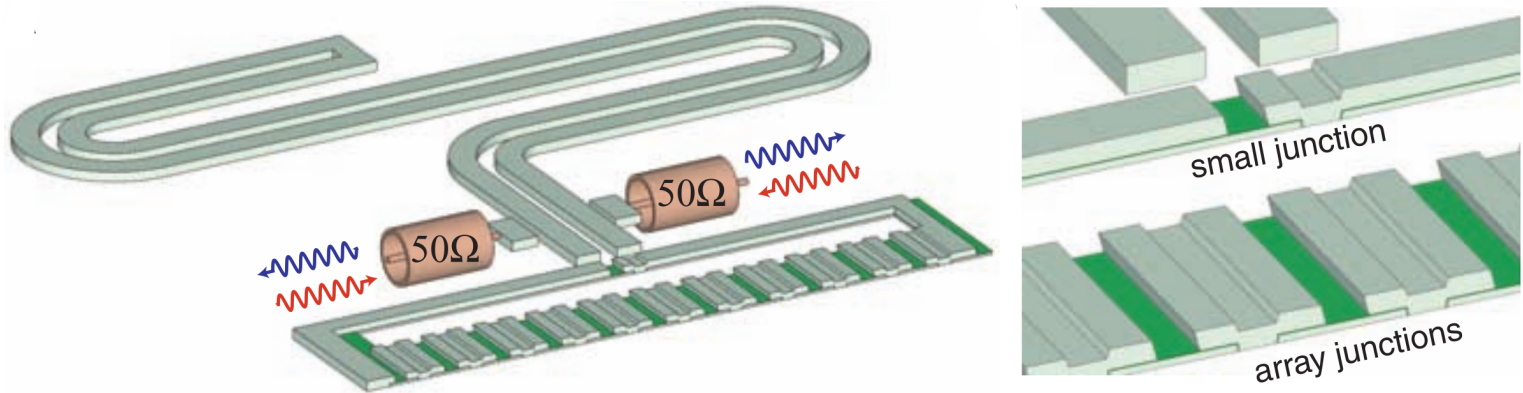
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3 The fluxonium qubit

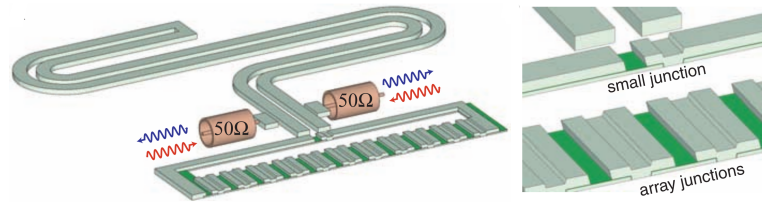
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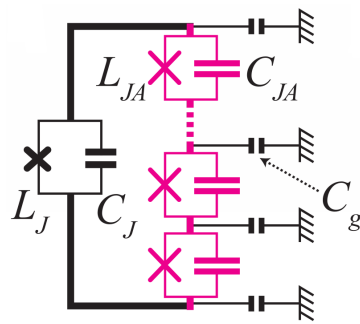
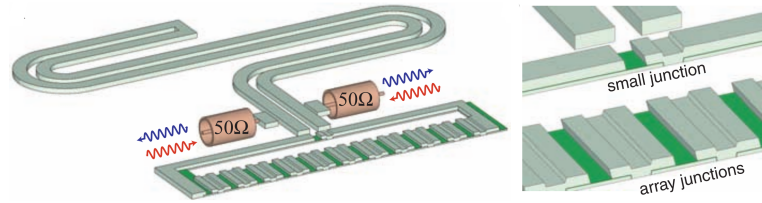
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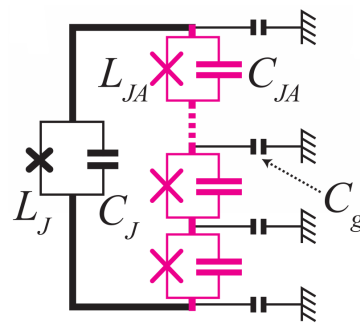
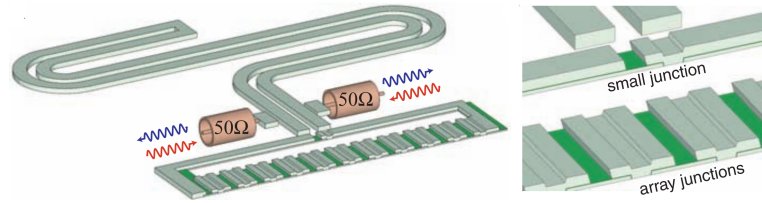
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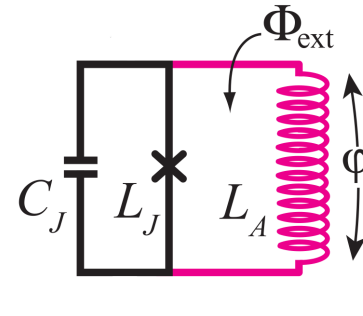


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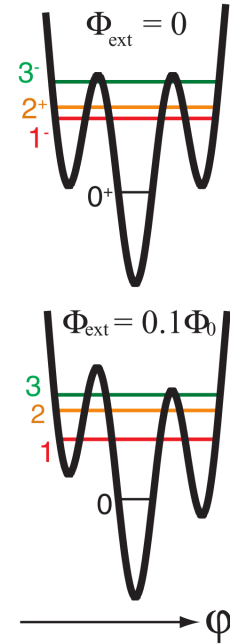
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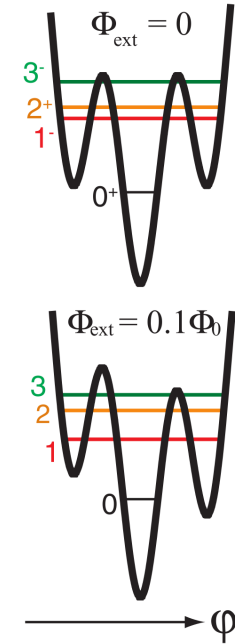


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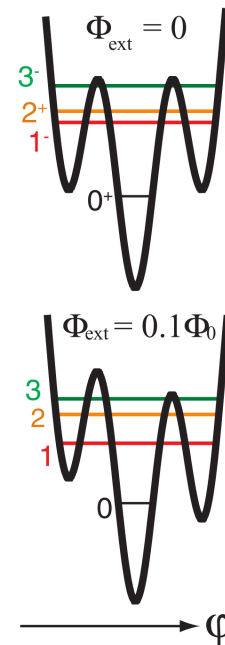
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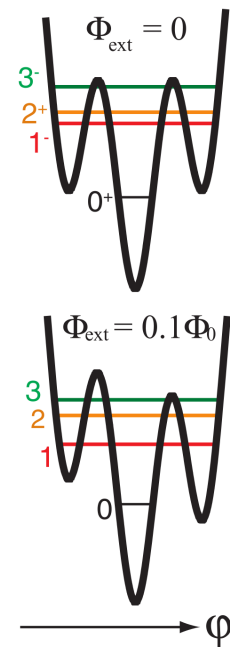
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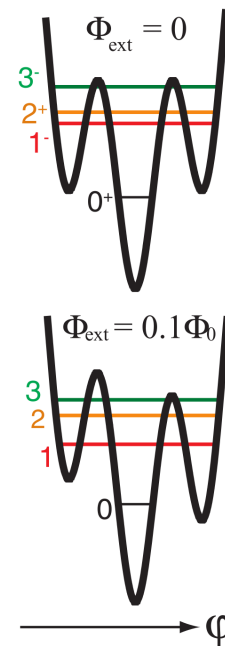
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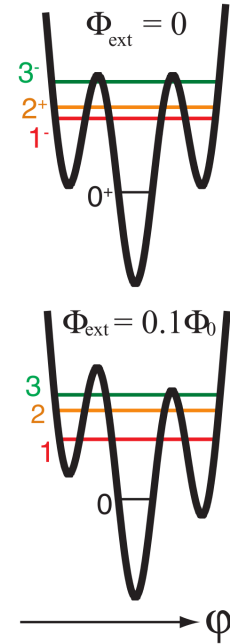
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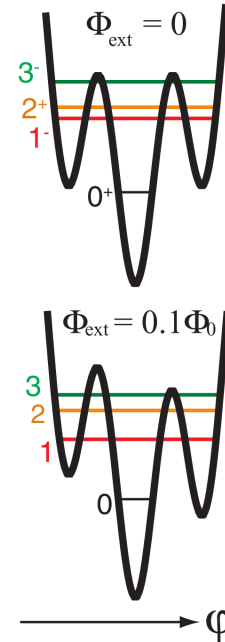
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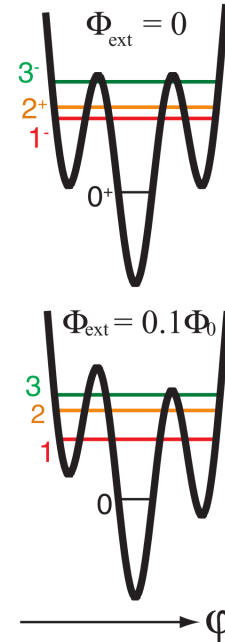
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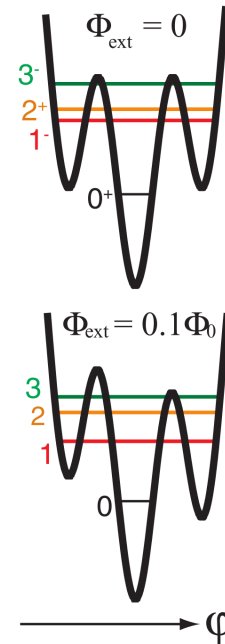
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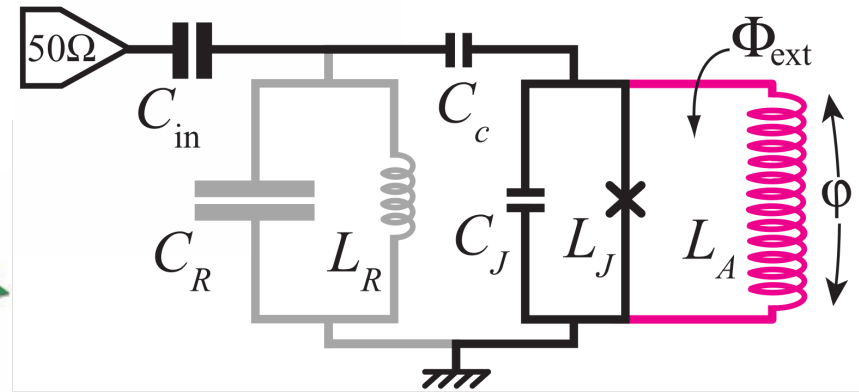
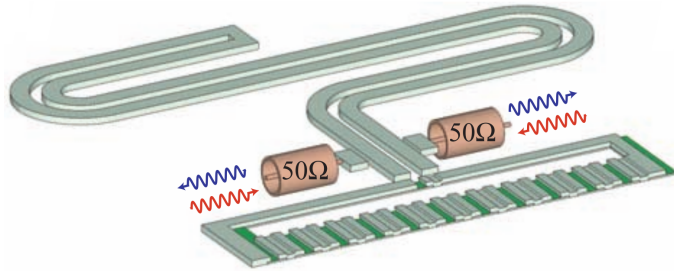


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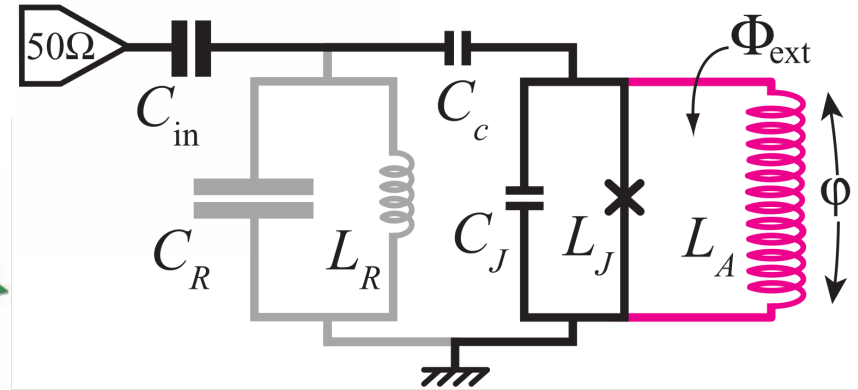
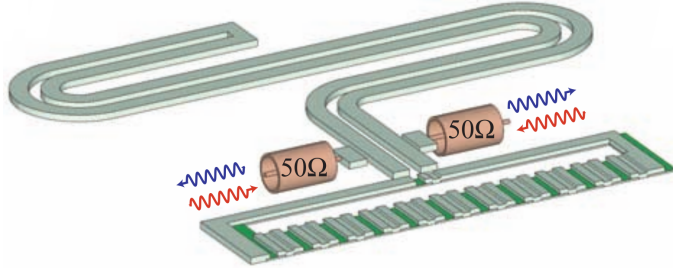
3.2 Initialization, control and read-out

Circuit QED



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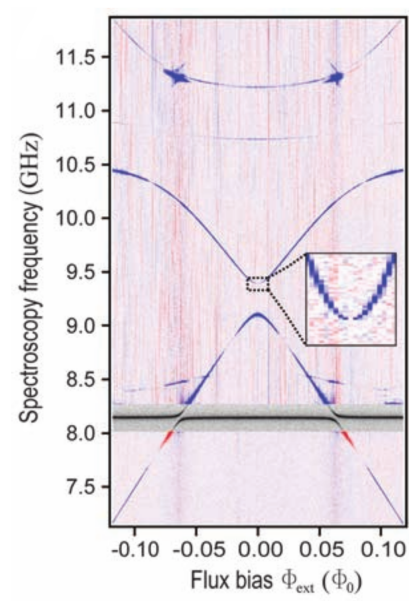
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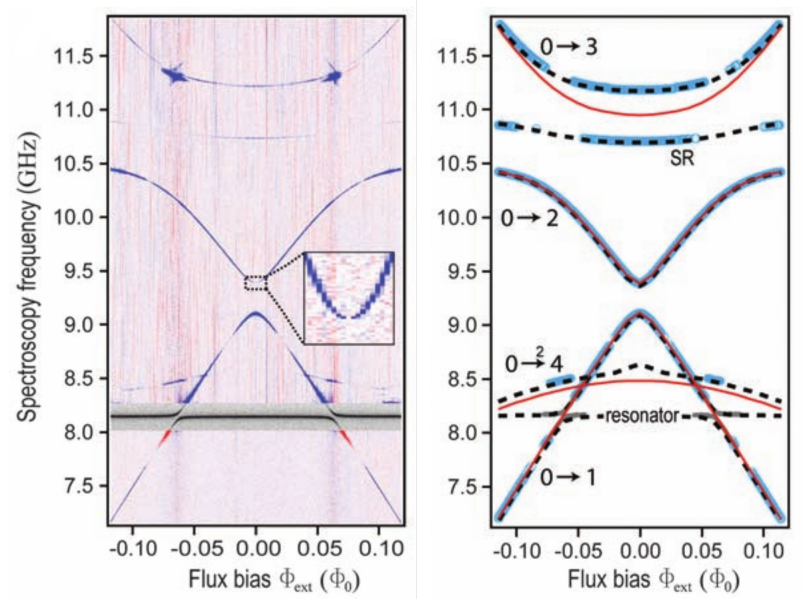
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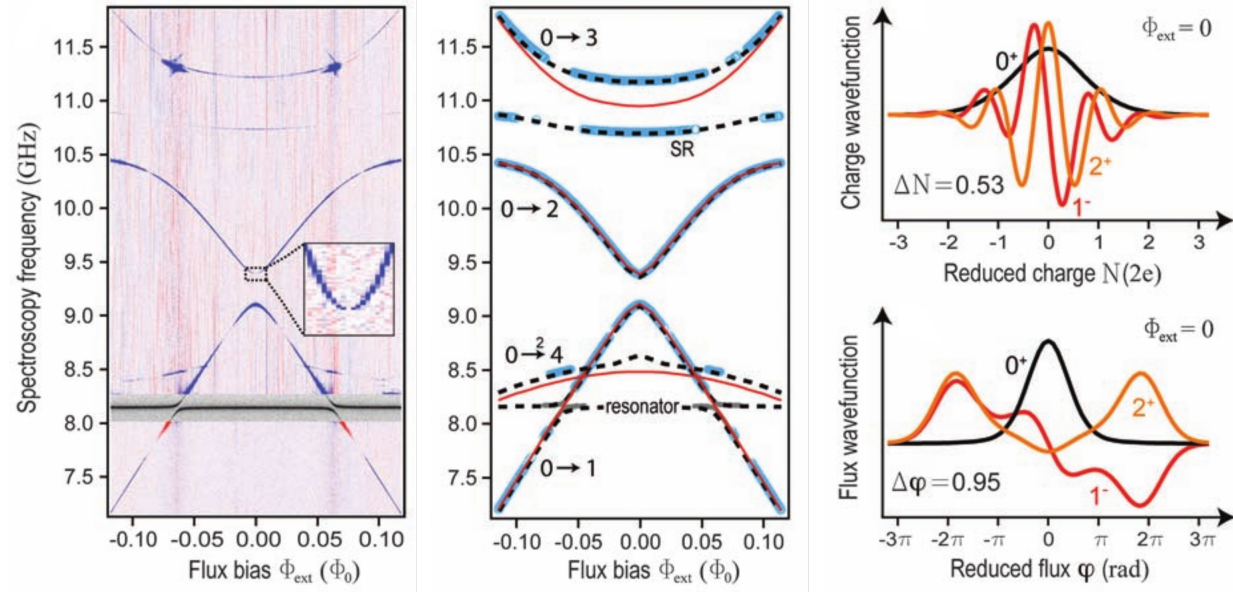
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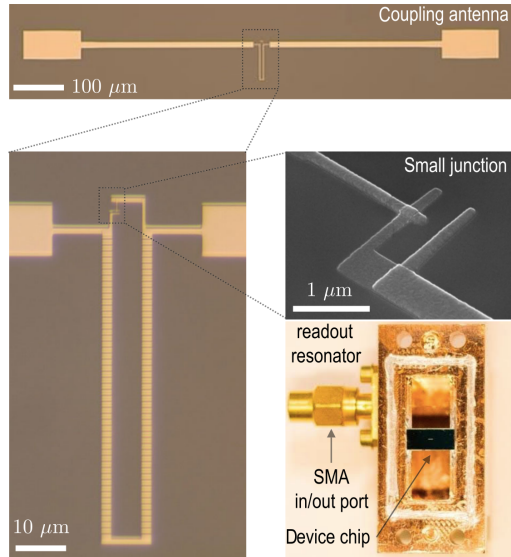


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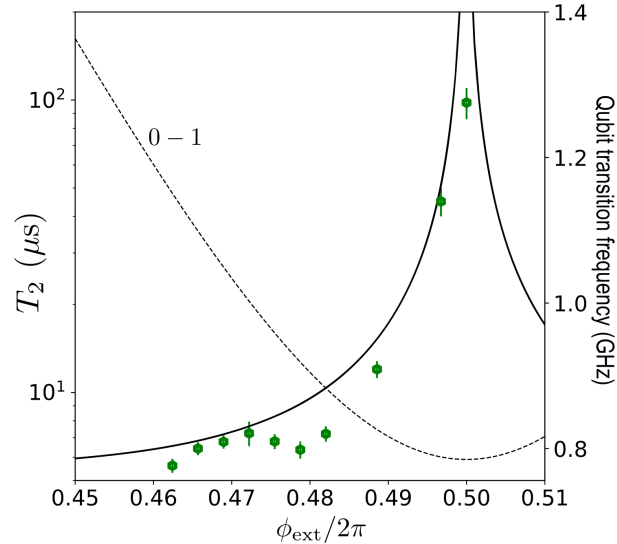
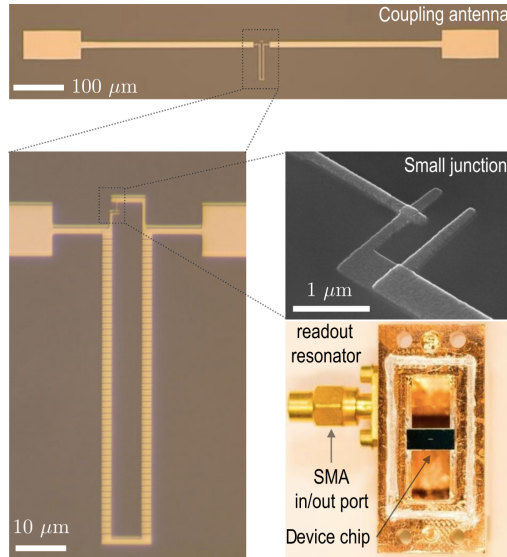
3.3 Relaxation and decoherence

High coherence device



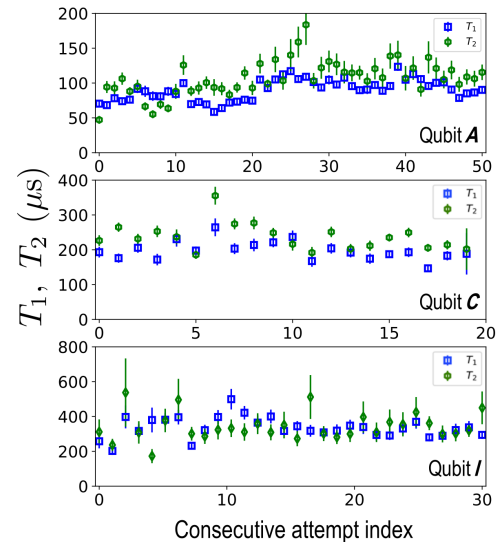
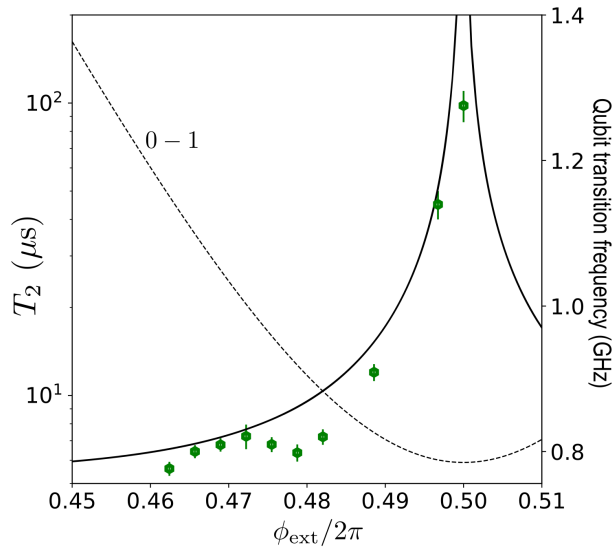
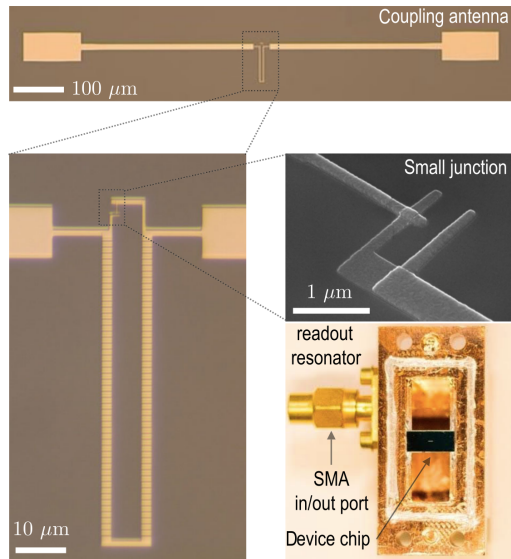
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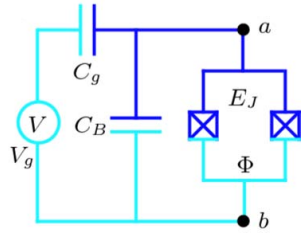
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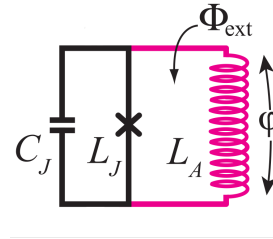
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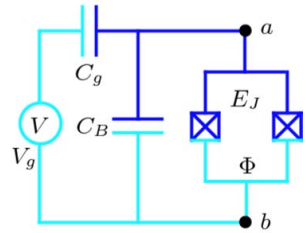
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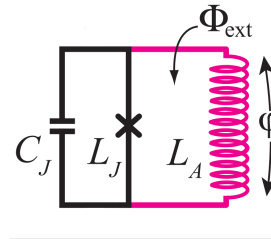
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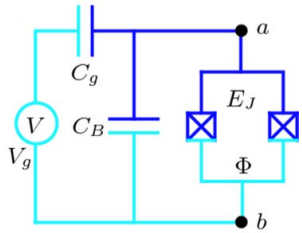
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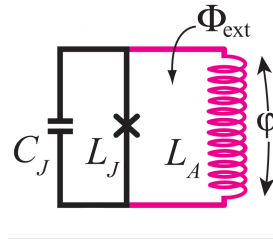
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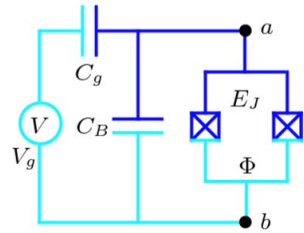
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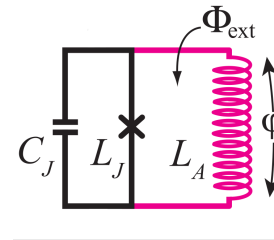
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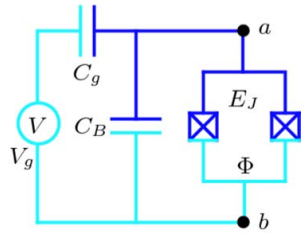
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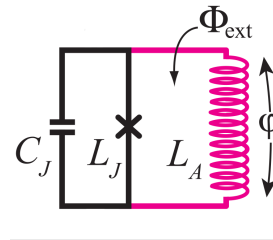
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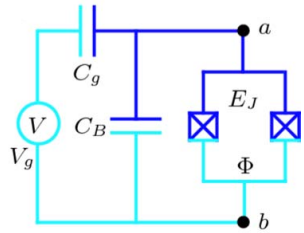
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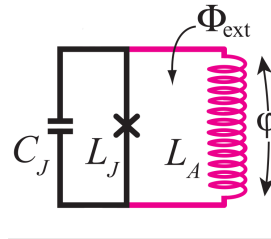
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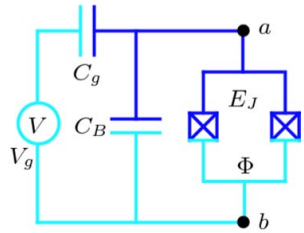
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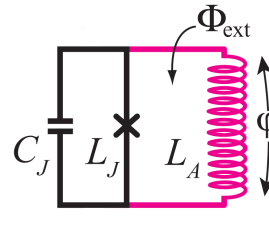
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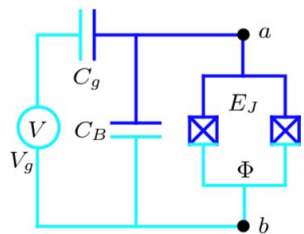
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- Short-circuit offset charge noise with JJ array
- Large JJ array protects small JJ from large flux fluctuations

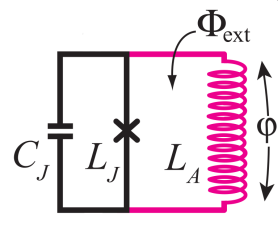
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The fluxonium qubit



- Short-circuit offset charge noise with JJ array
- Large JJ array protects small JJ from large flux fluctuations
- Unharmonic as the flux qubit but as insensitive to flux noise as the transmon

Thank You

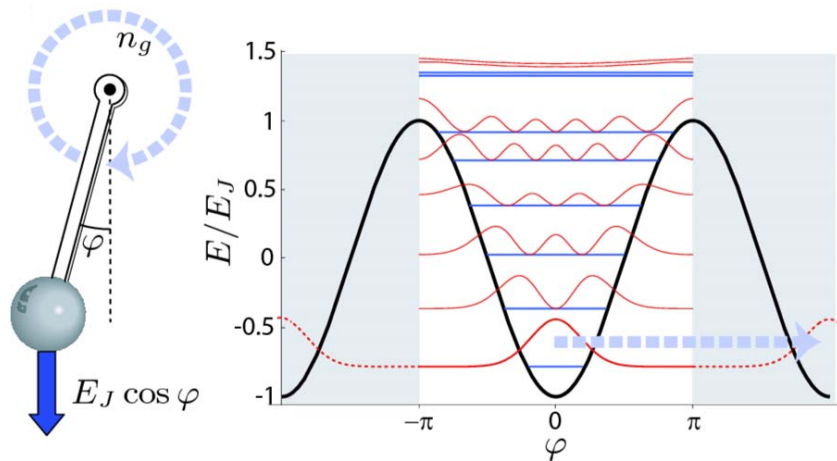
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Do You Have Any Questions?

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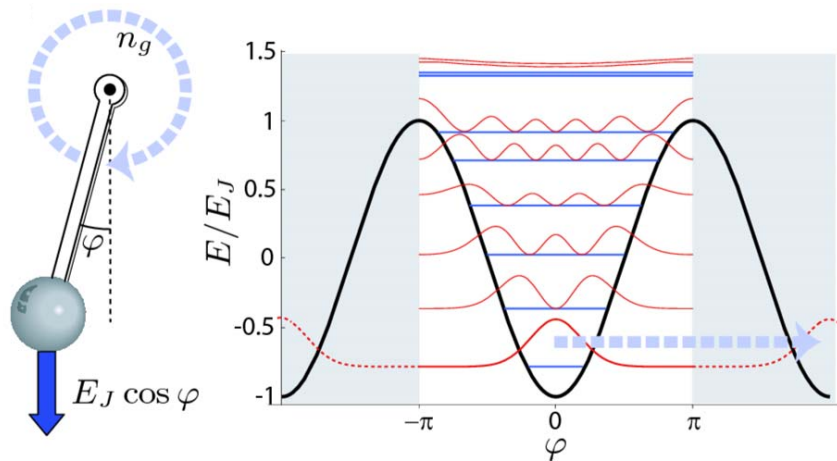


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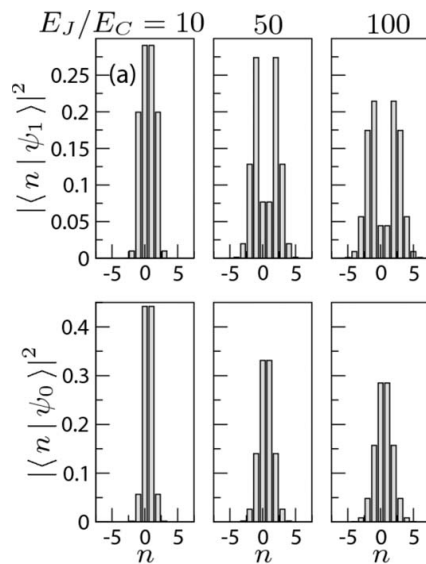
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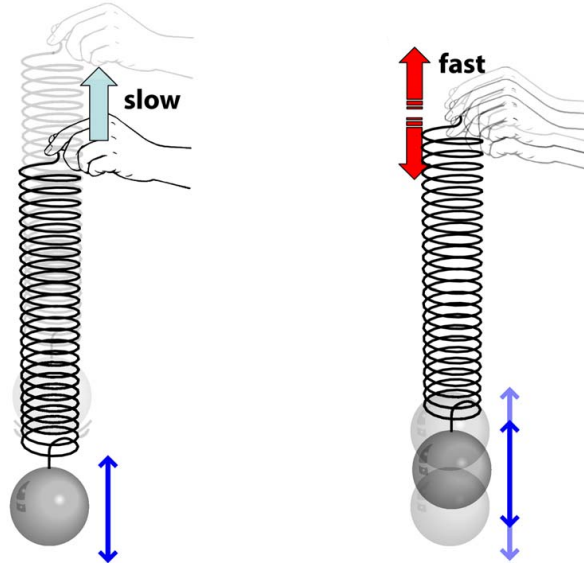


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Charge number states vs. transmon eigenstates

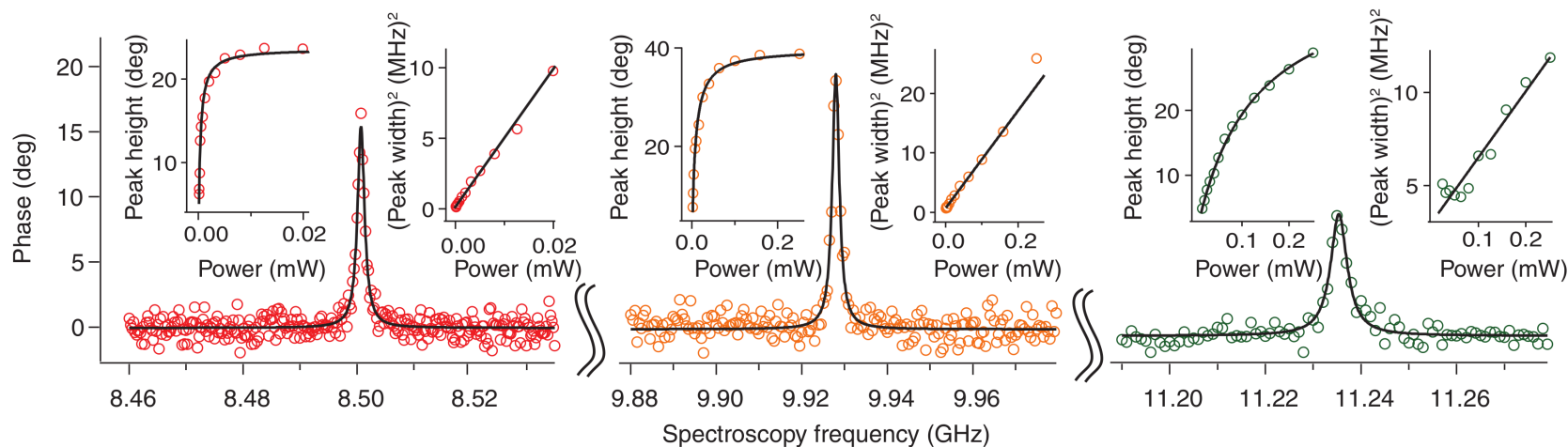


Ac vs dc noise



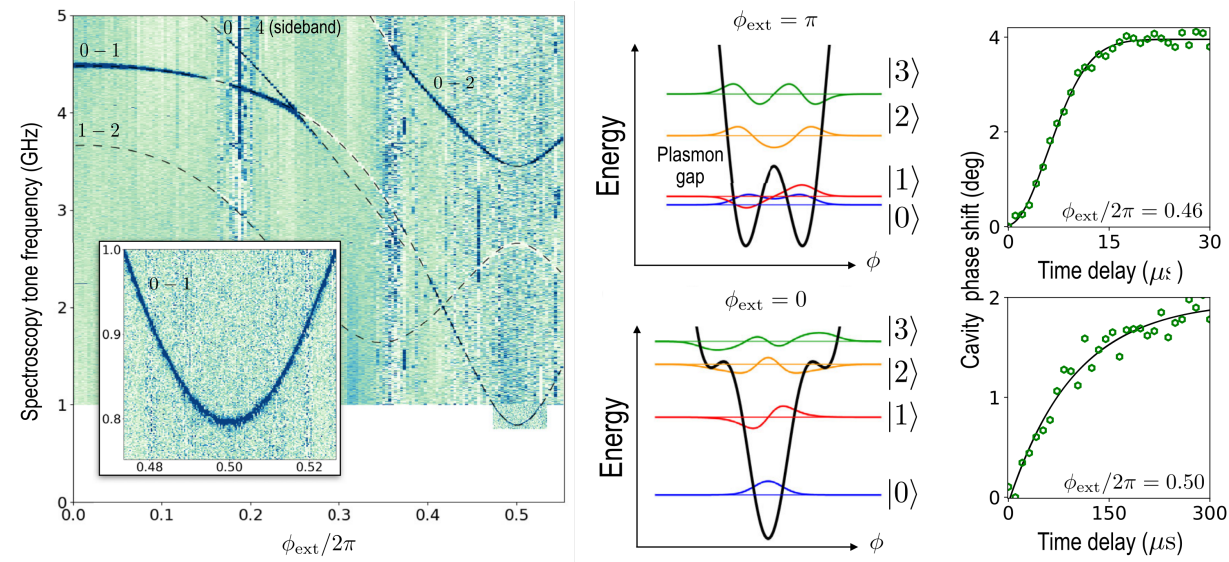
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Measured relaxation and coherence time



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