

Quantum dynamics in nano Josephson junctions

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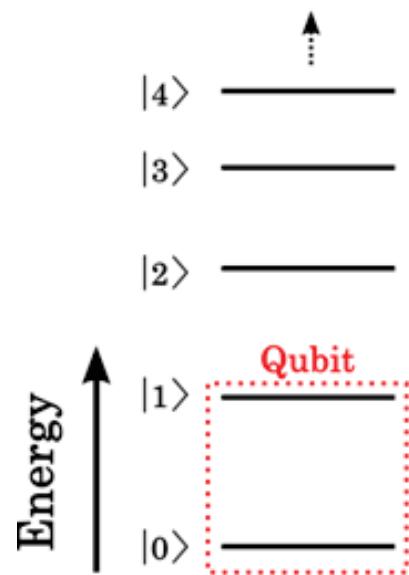
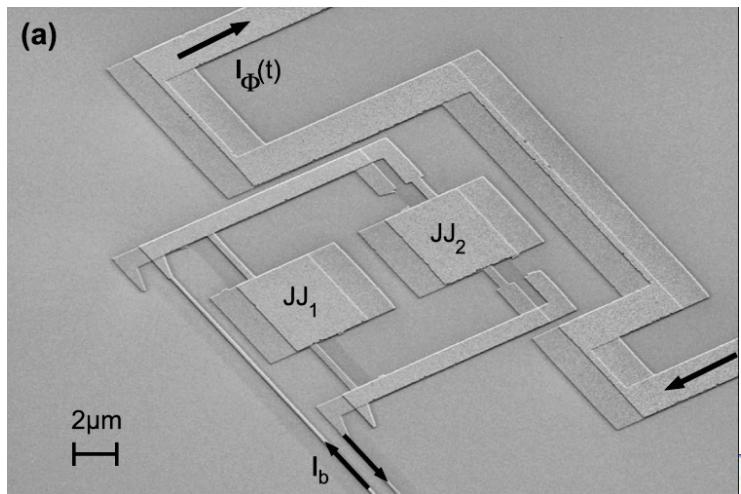


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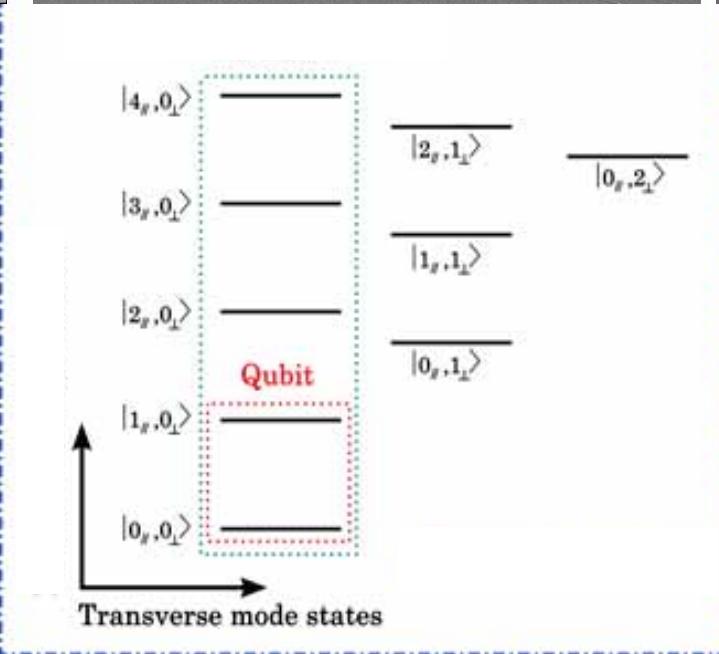
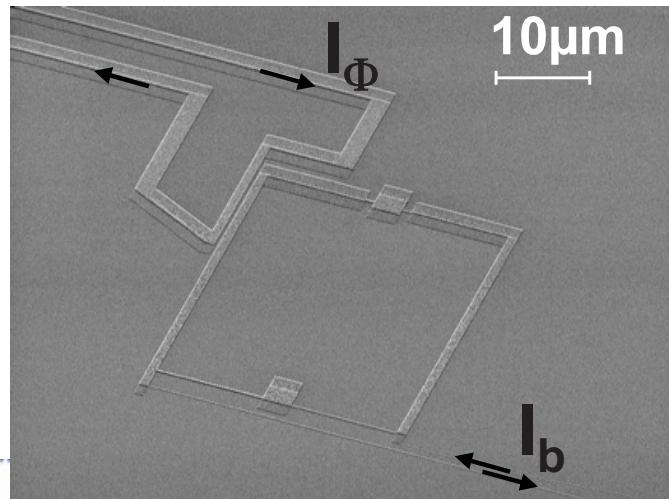
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Introduction

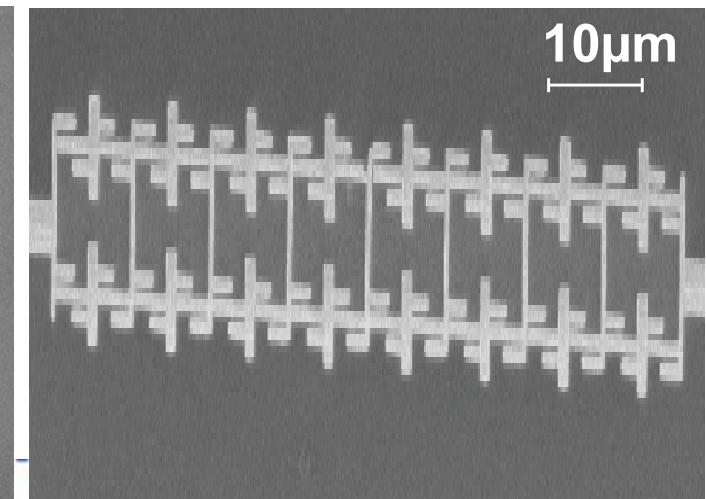
Multi-level quantum system



Two-degrees of freedom



Multi-degrees of freedom



New physics...

Outline

Two-degrees of freedom artificial atom

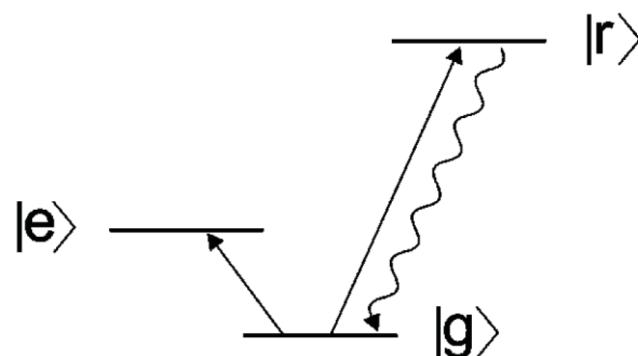
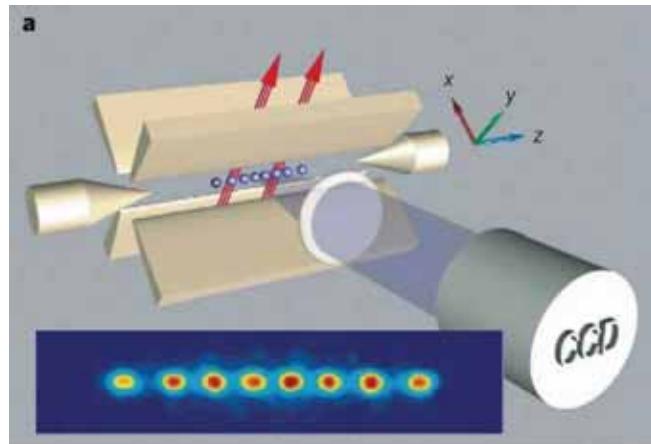
- inductive dc SQUID
- spectroscopy measurements
- strong non-linear coupling
- coherent oscillations

Multi-degrees of freedom system

- Josephson junction chains
- quantum phase slip
- charging effects

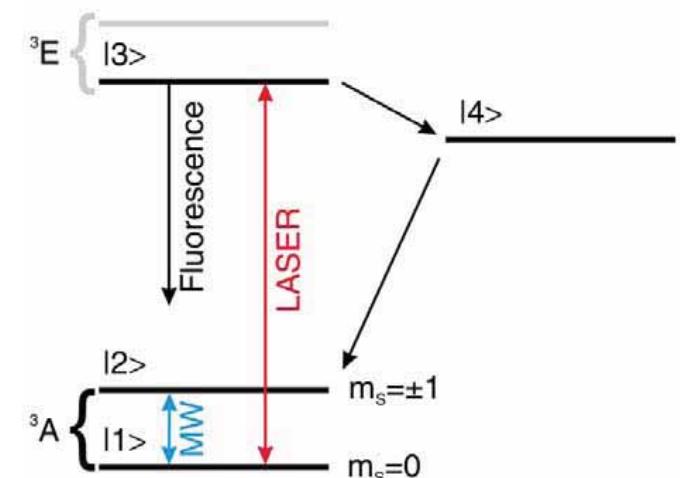
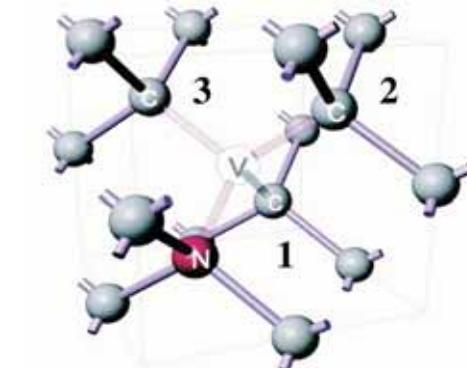
Motivations : two degrees of freedom

Trapped ion



Leibfried, *Rev.Mod.Phys* (2003)
Blatt and Wineland, *Nature* (2008)

NV centers in diamond

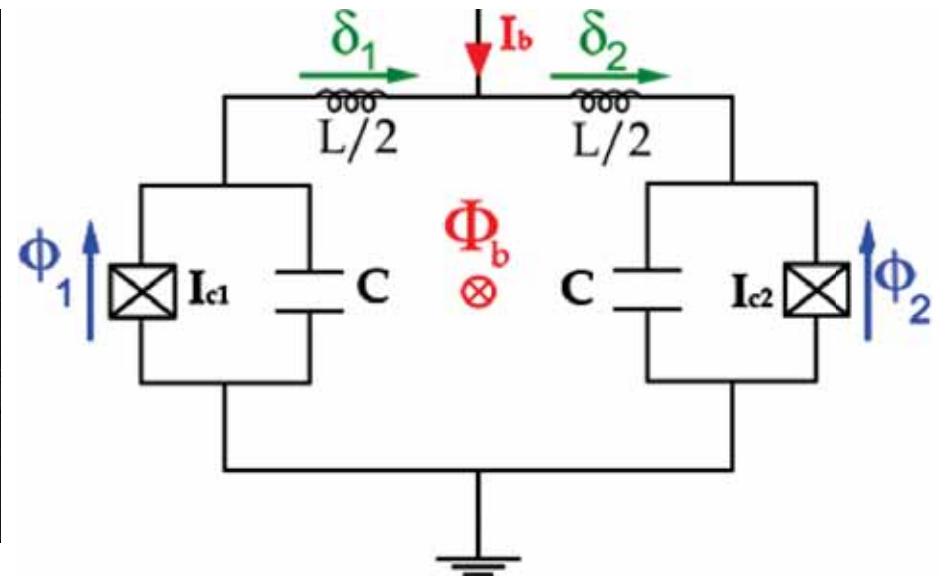
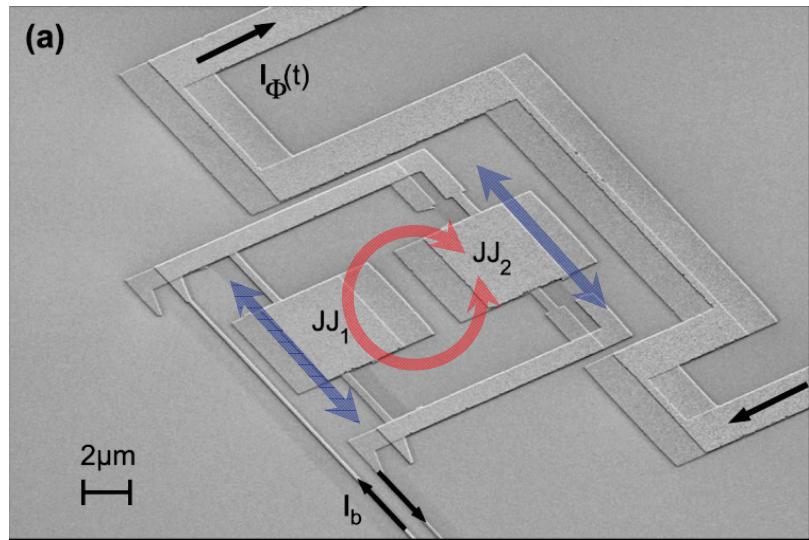


Jelezko et al, *PRL* (2004)

High fidelity readout & Electromagnetically Induced Transparency

Superconducting artificial atom
with multiple degrees of freedom ?

Modes of oscillations

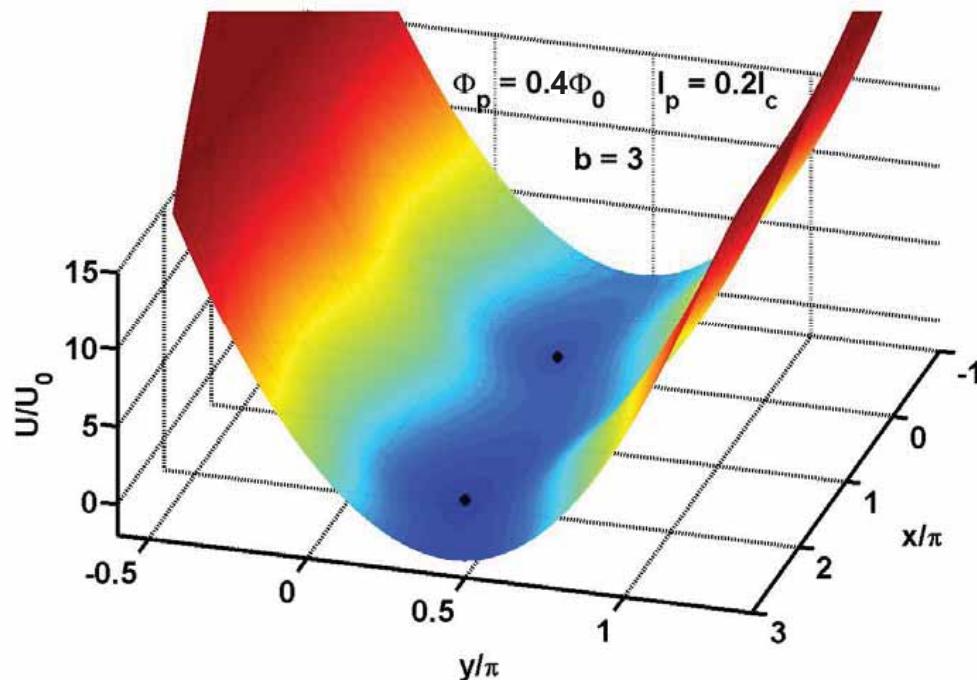


$$U(x, y) = U_0 \left[-\cos x \cos y + b(y - \pi \frac{\Phi_b}{\Phi_0})^2 \right] \text{ where } \begin{cases} x = \frac{\phi_1 + \phi_2}{2} \\ \end{cases}$$

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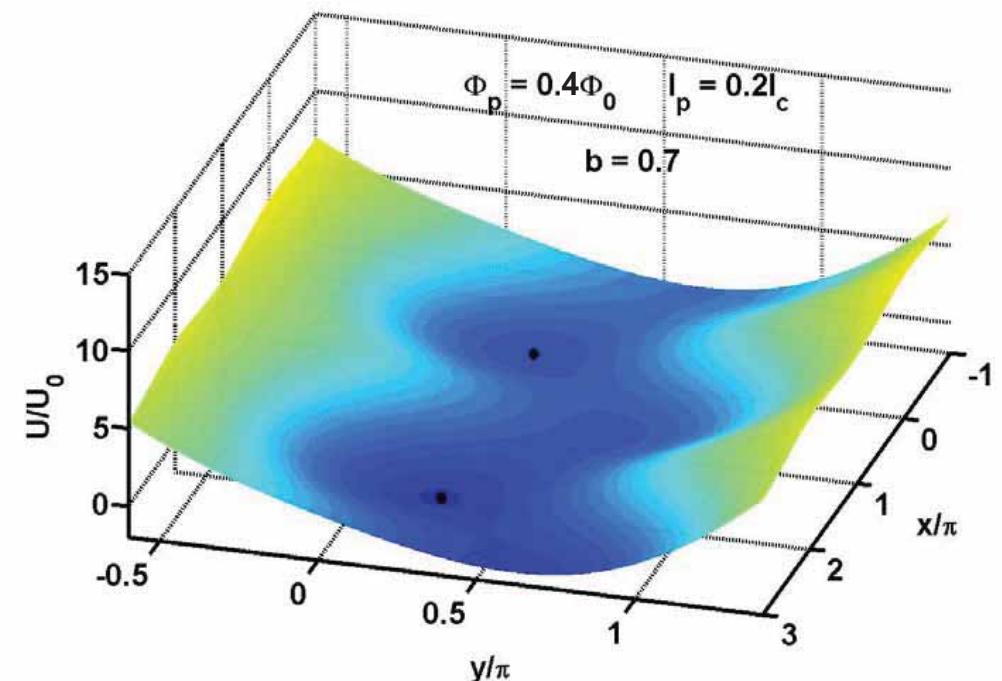
Parameter of dimensionality

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($b > 1$)

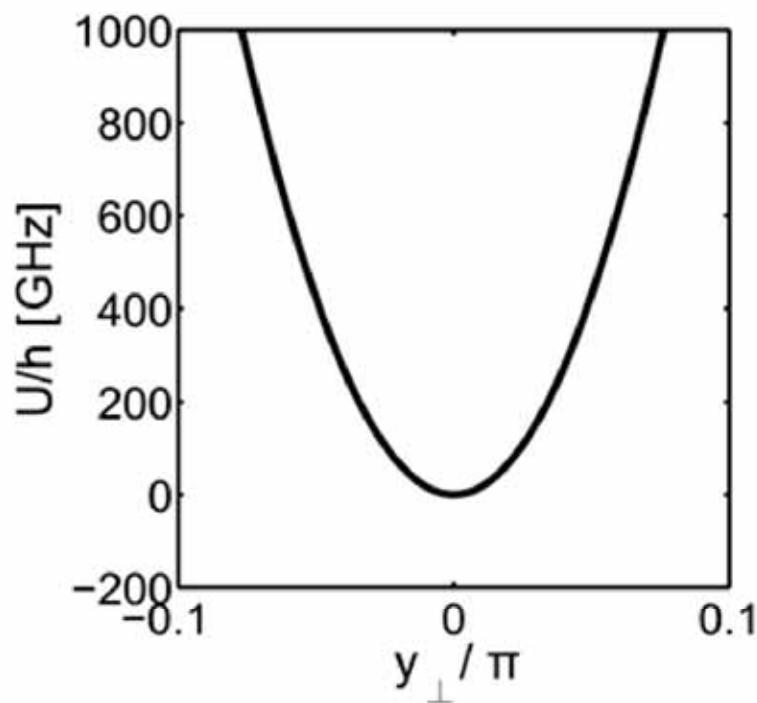
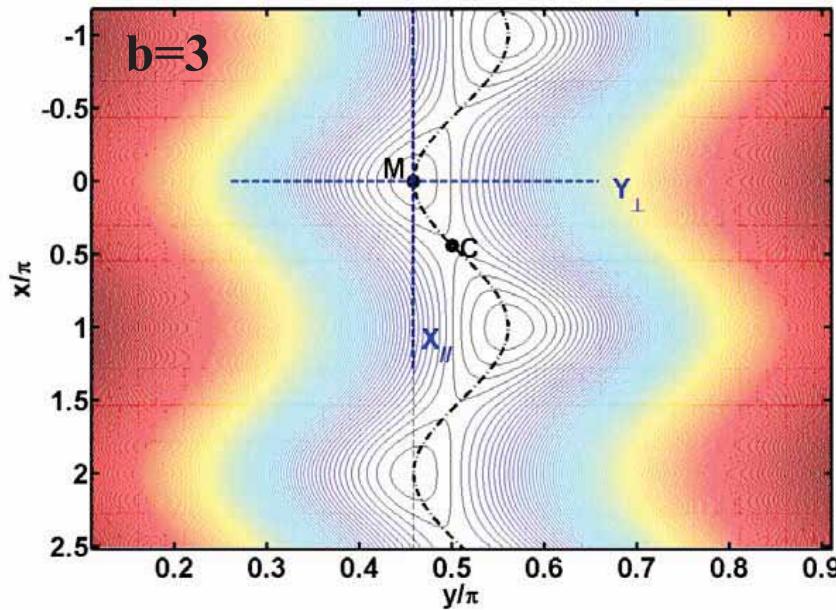


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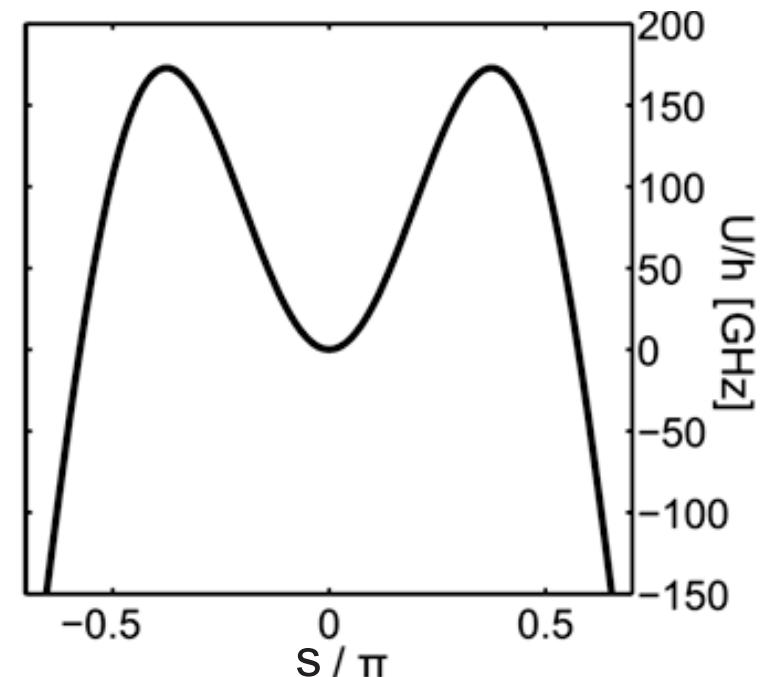
Dynamics close to a minimum



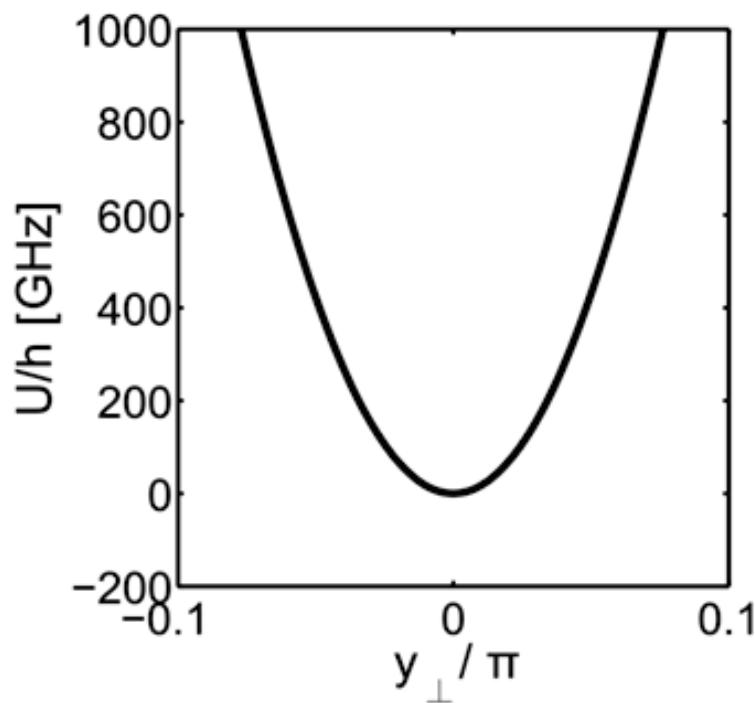
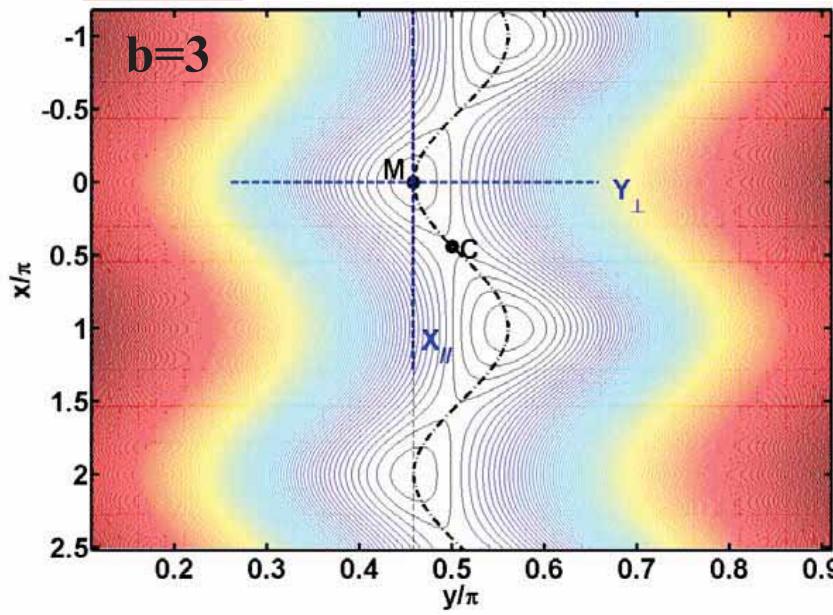
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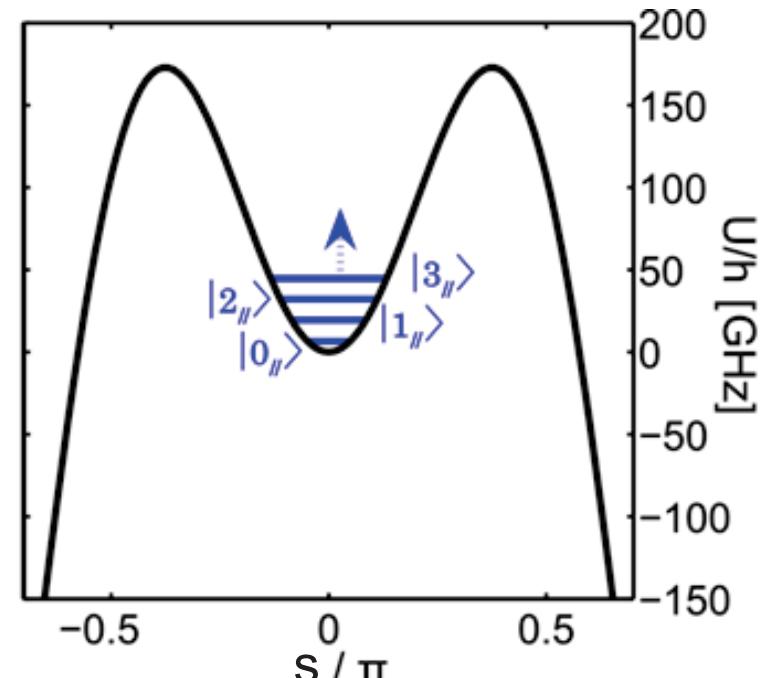
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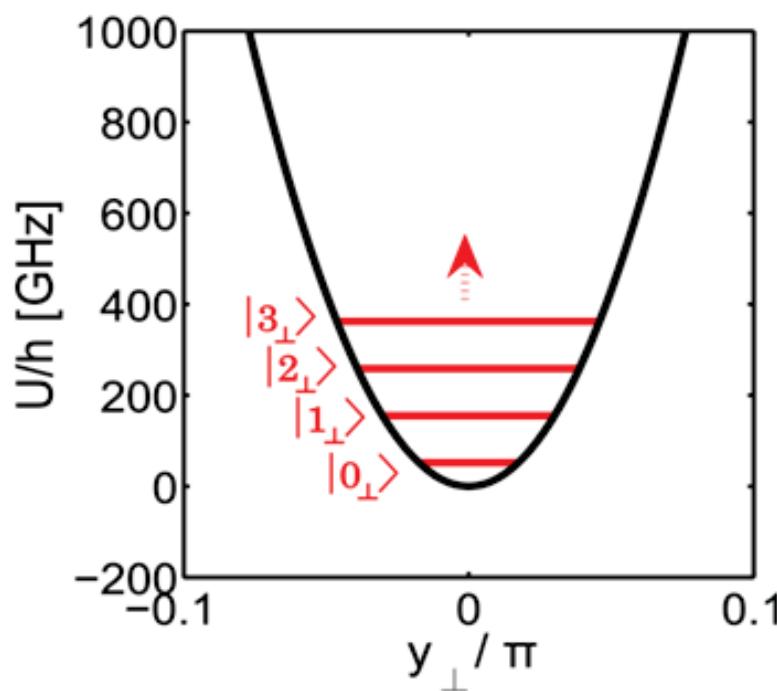
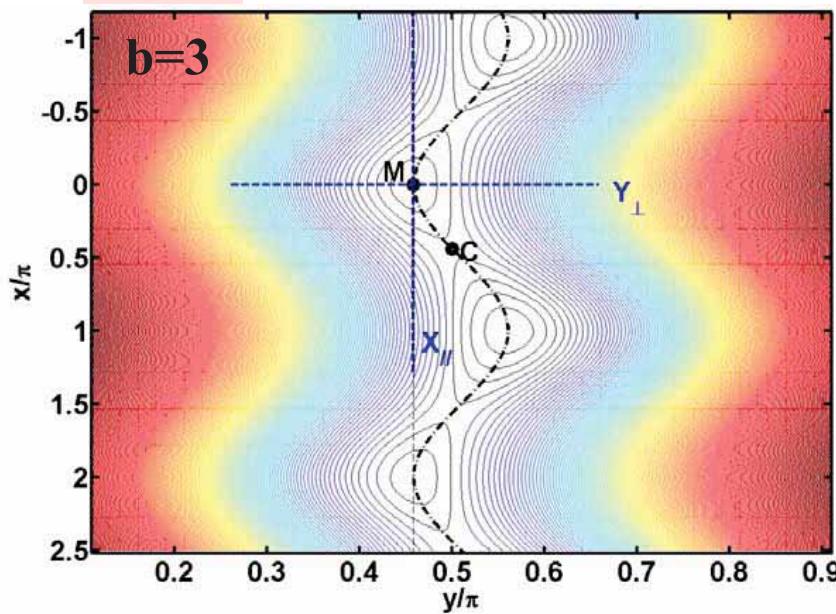
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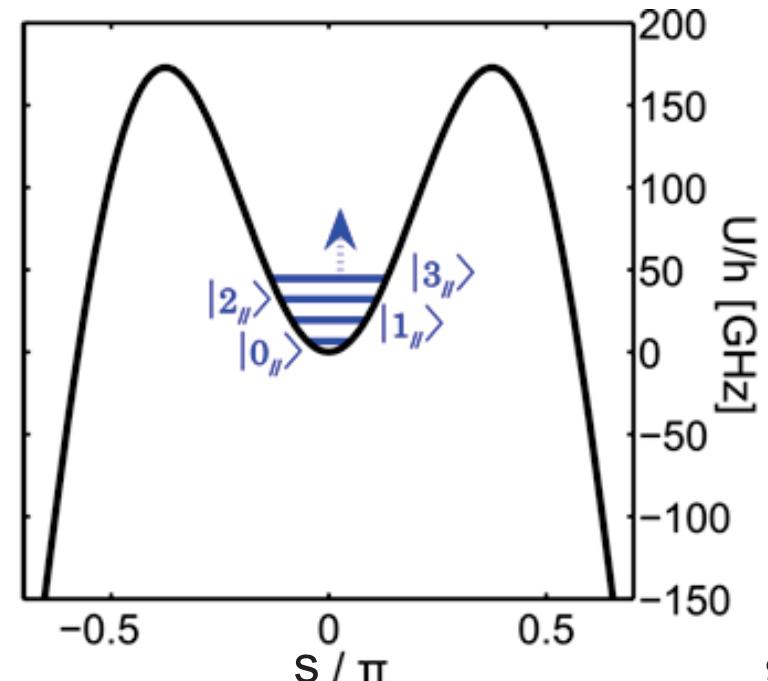
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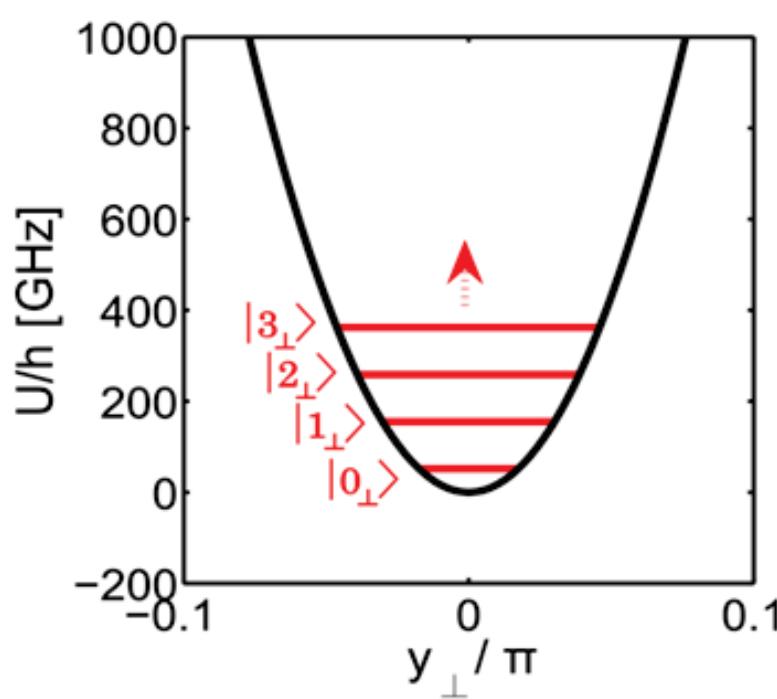
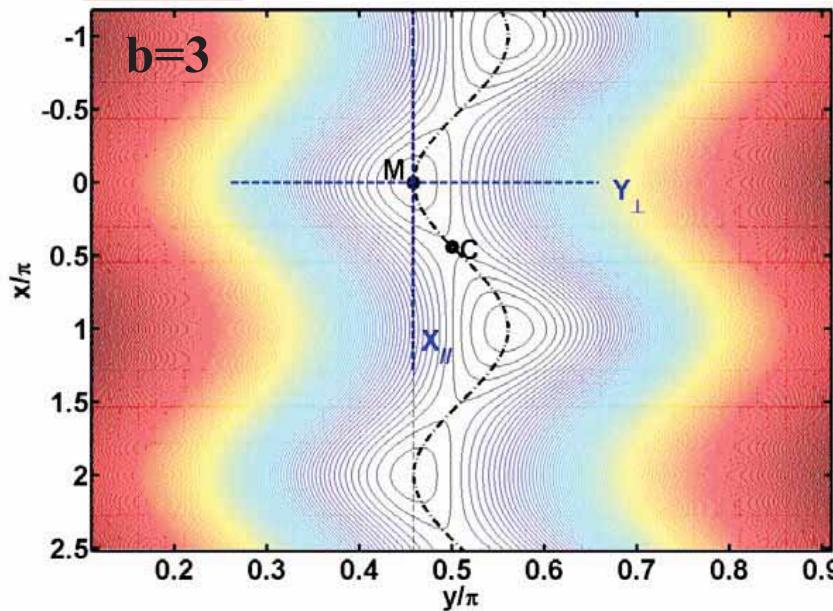
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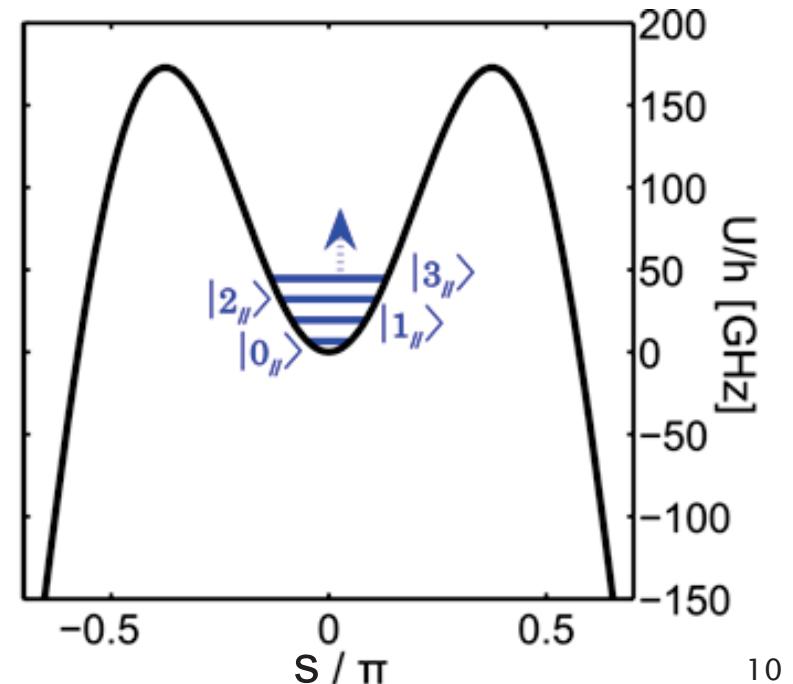
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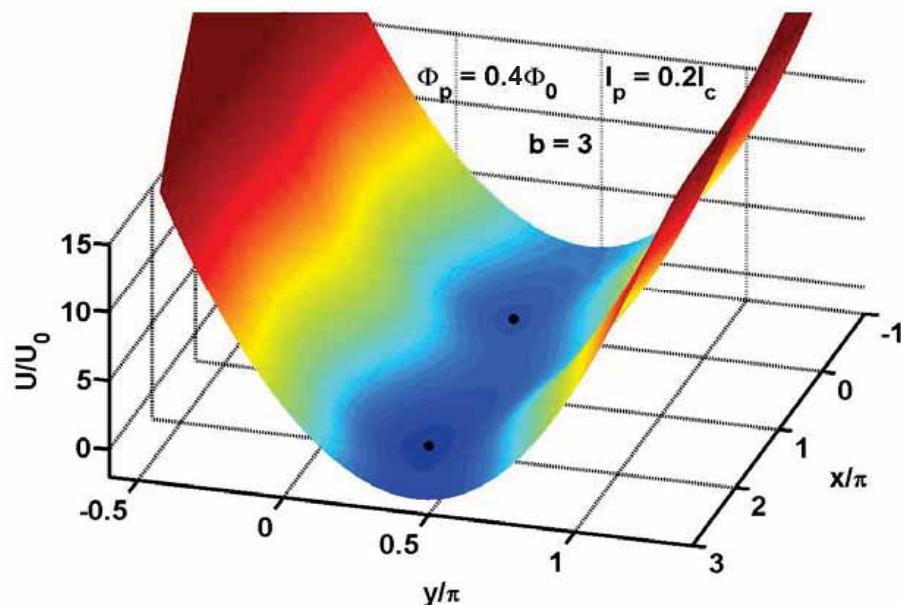
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From a phase qubit ...

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Claudon, et al , PRL, 2004

Hoskinson and Lecocq , et al , PRL, 2009

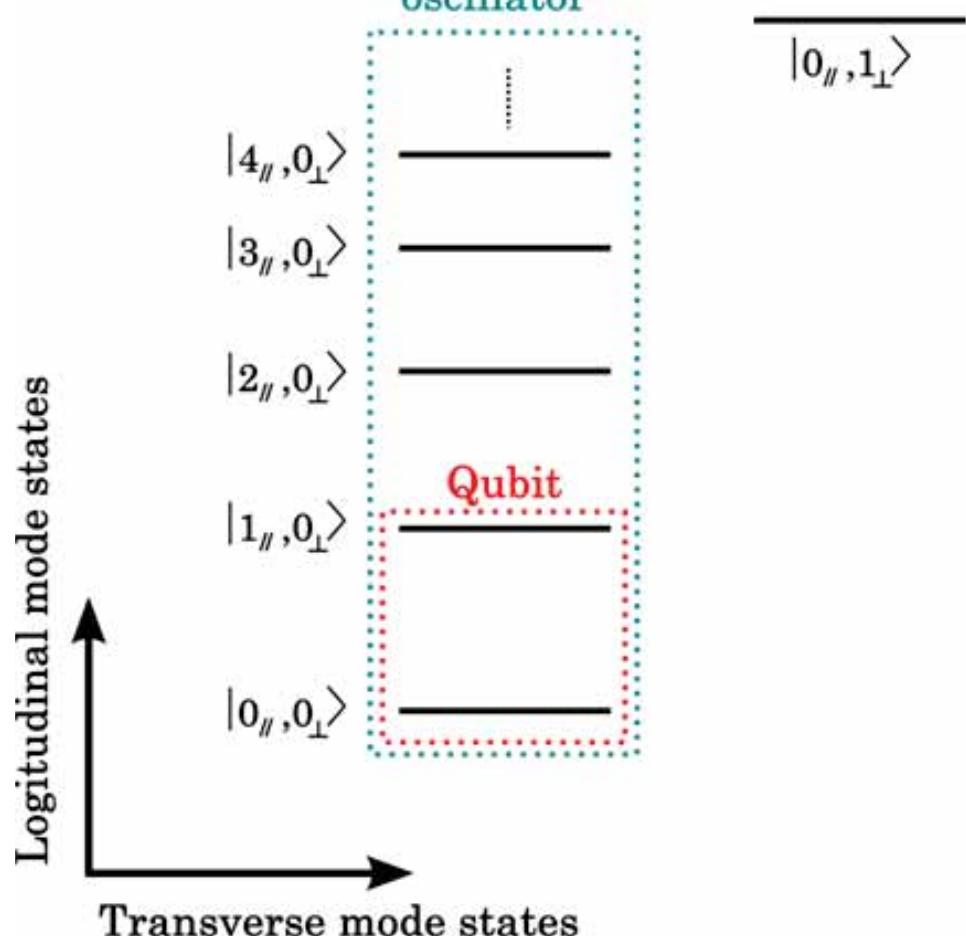
Palomaki, et al , PRB, 2010

Transverse mode high in energy

Considered in the ground state

→ 1D dynamics

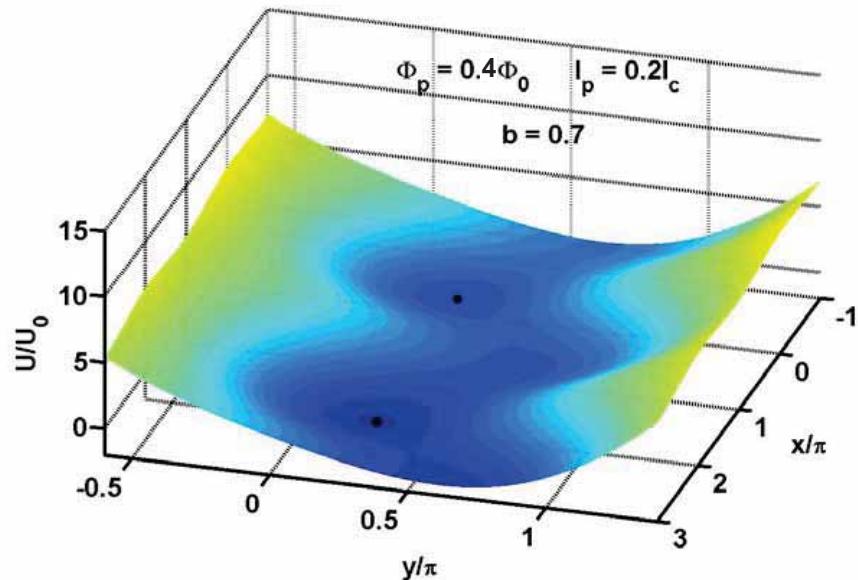
Quantum anharmonic oscillator



...to a 2D oscillator

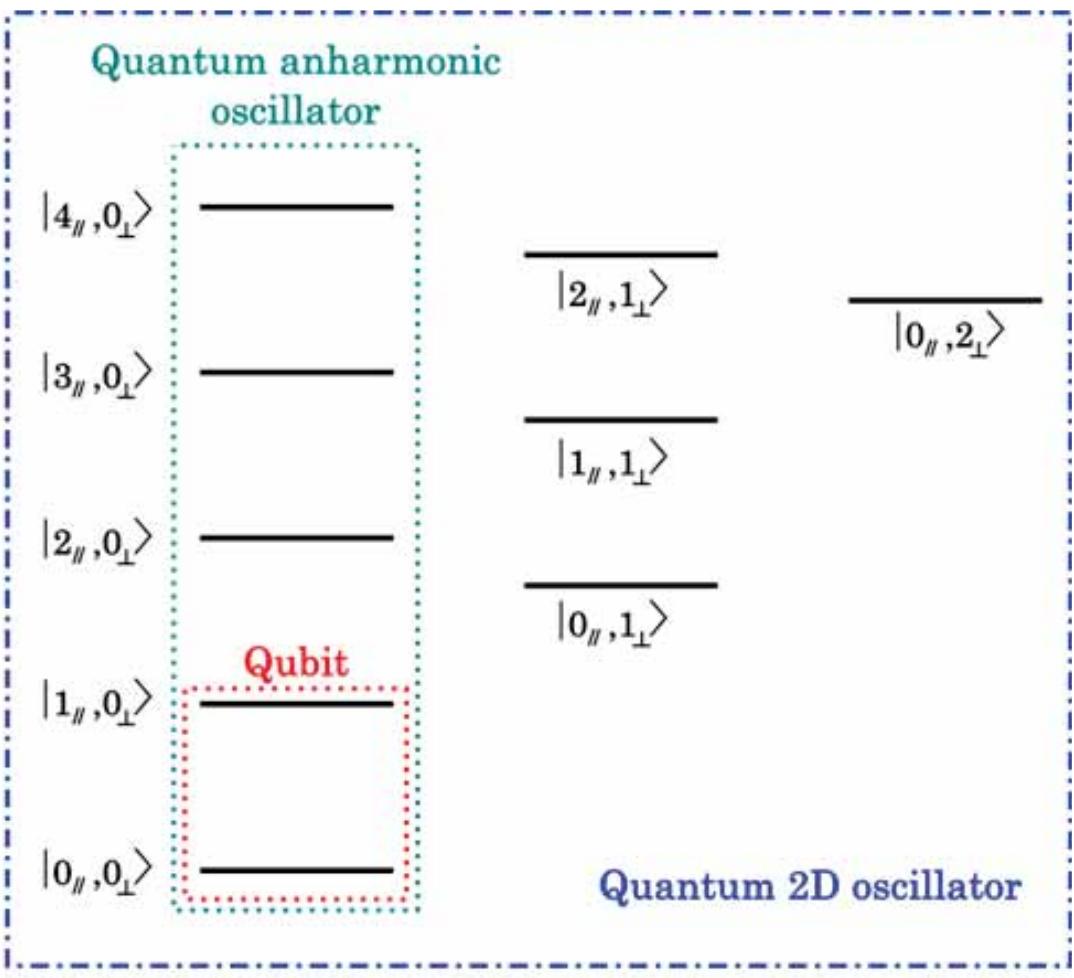
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Transverse mode energy decreased



Longitudinal mode states

Transverse mode states





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1D and 2D dynamics in a dcSQUID

**2 Spectroscopic evidence of the transverse mode
and coherent manipulation**

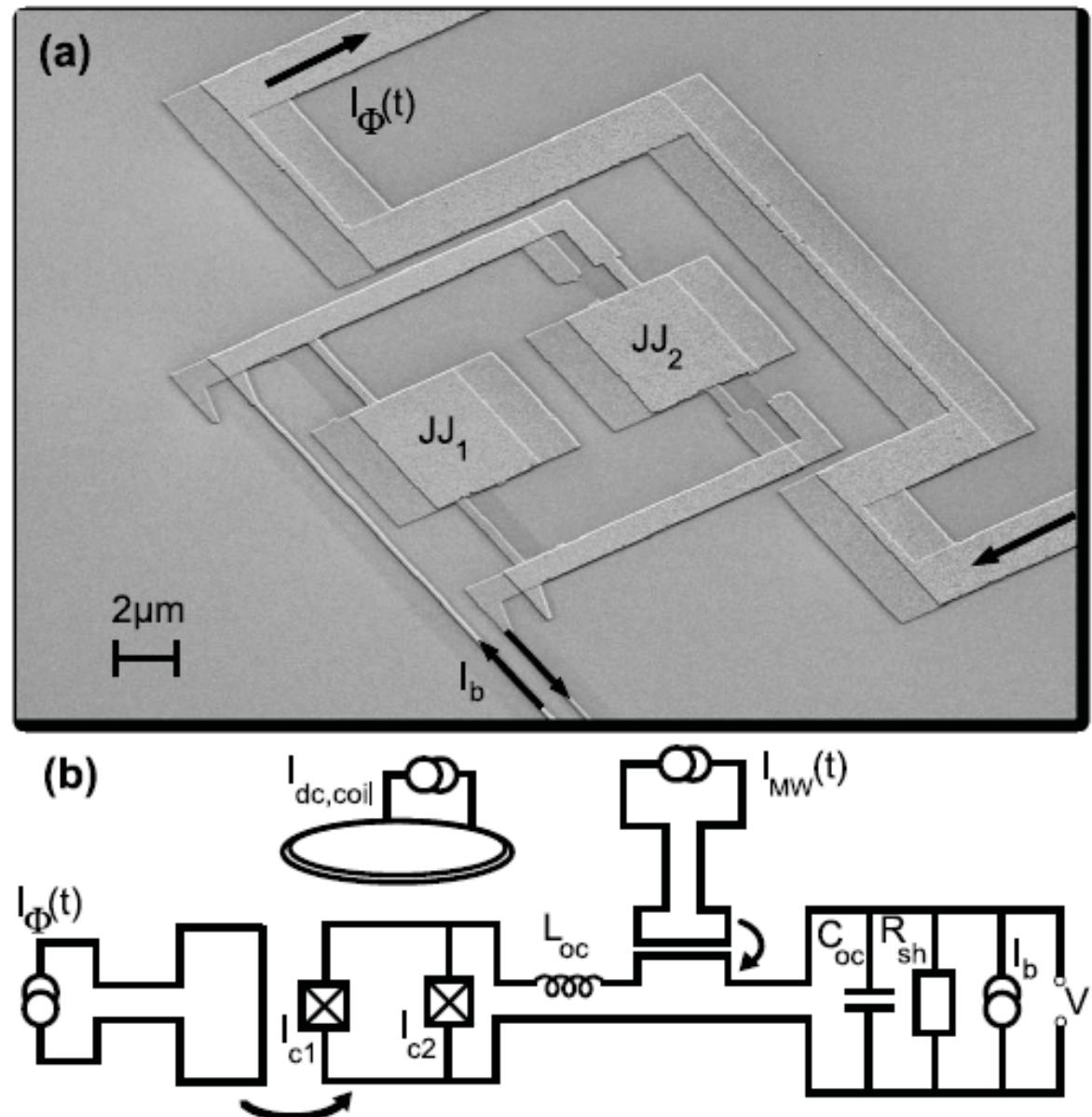
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Experimental Setup

dcSQUID in aluminum

Fabricated by shadow evaporation
without suspended bridges

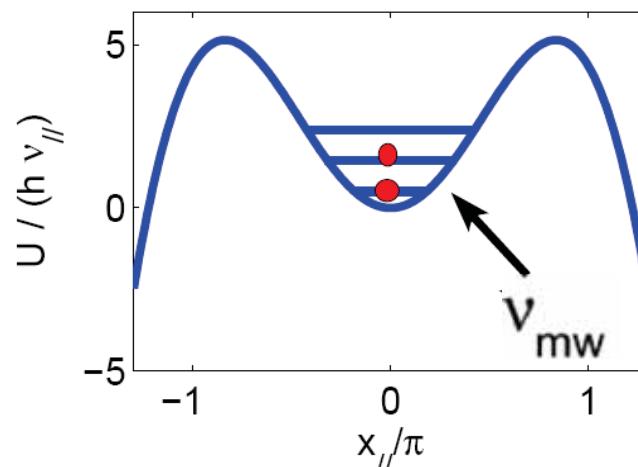
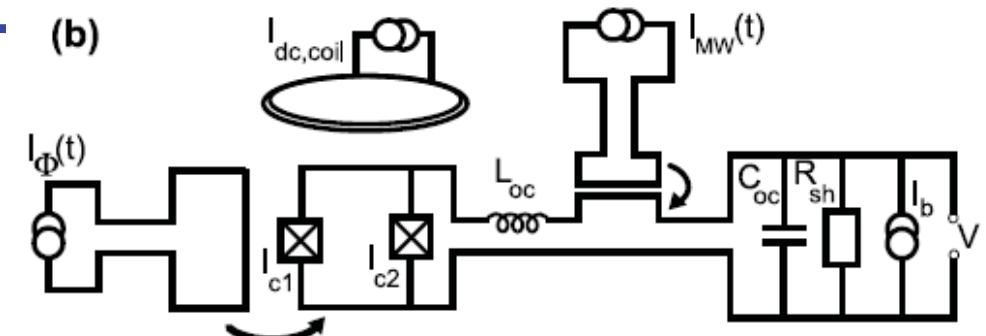
(Controlled Undercut Technique) *F.*
Lecocq, et al , ArXiv 1101.4576v2



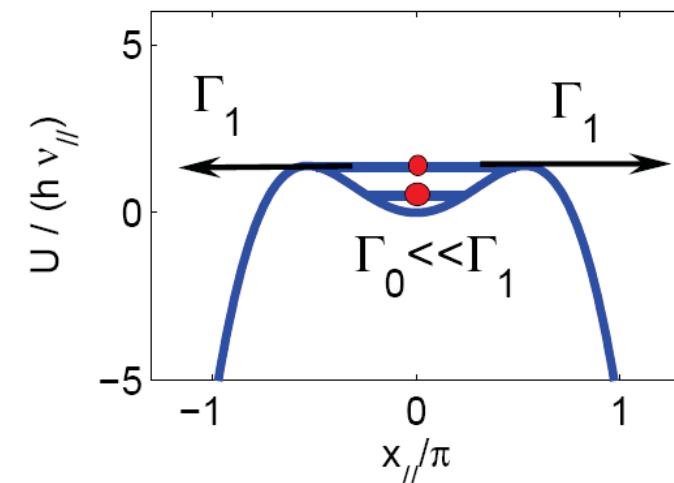
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Measurement technique :

Switching to the voltage state

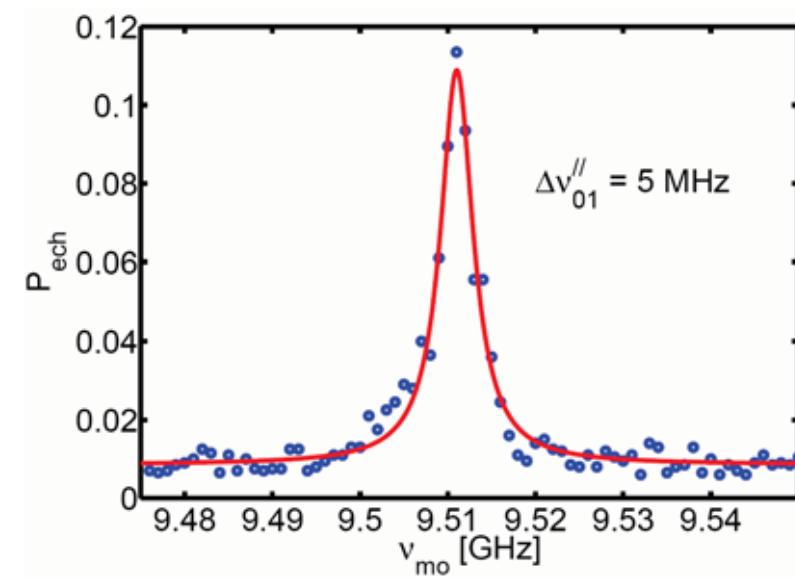


Nanosecond
flux pulse



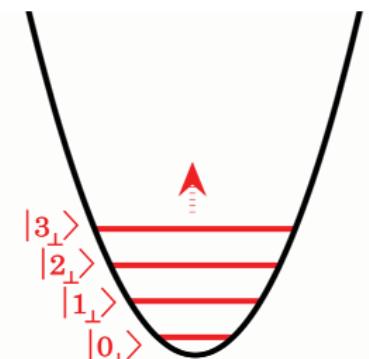
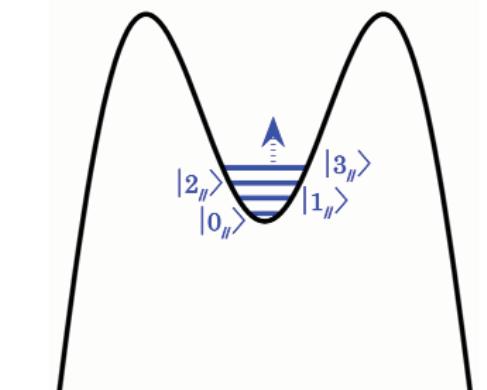
Escape = voltage = detection

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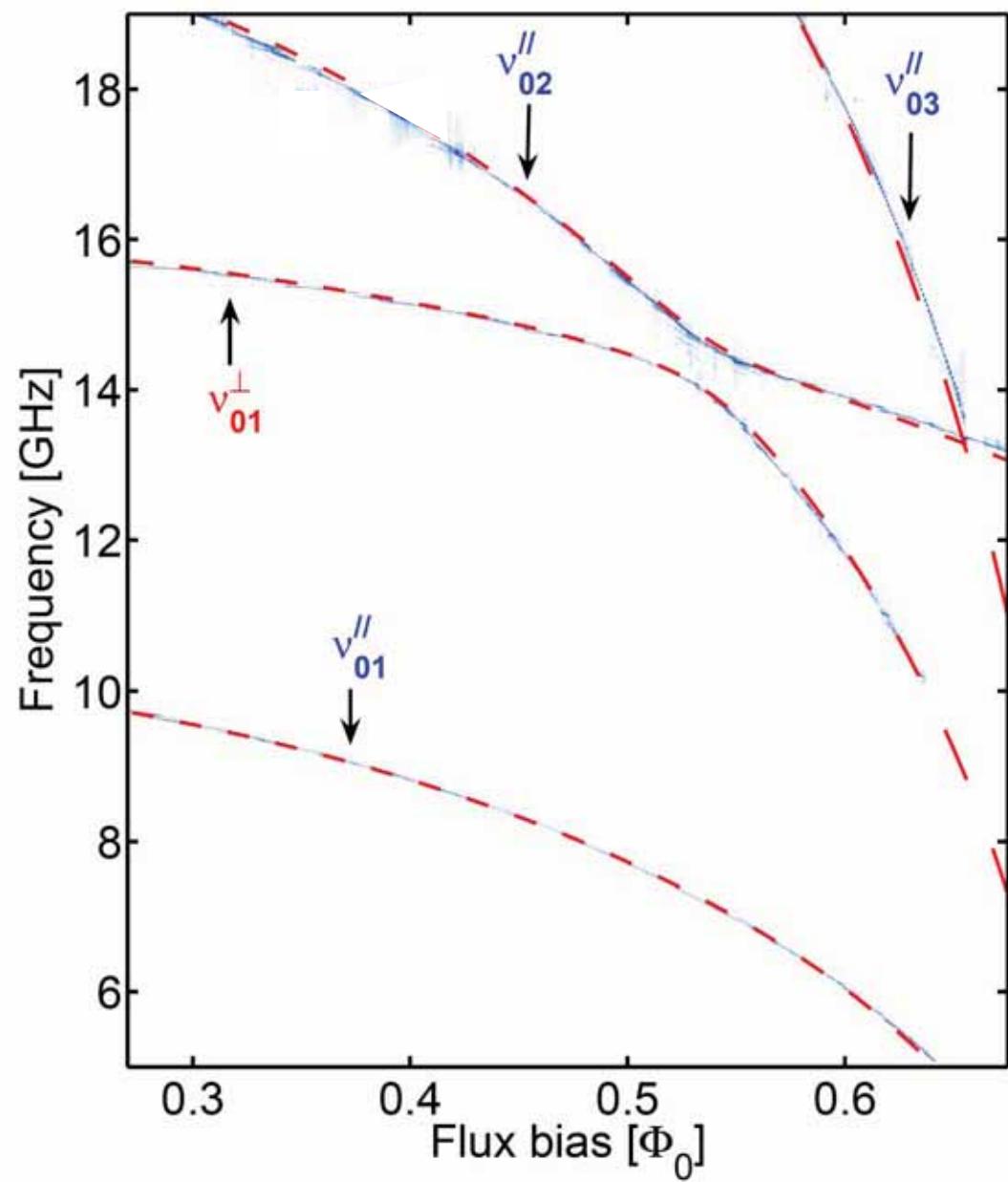


Spectroscopy

Longitudinal mode



Transverse mode



Spectroscopy

Large anti-crossing at
the resonance
between ν_{02}^{\parallel} and ν_{01}^{\perp}

Non linear coupling

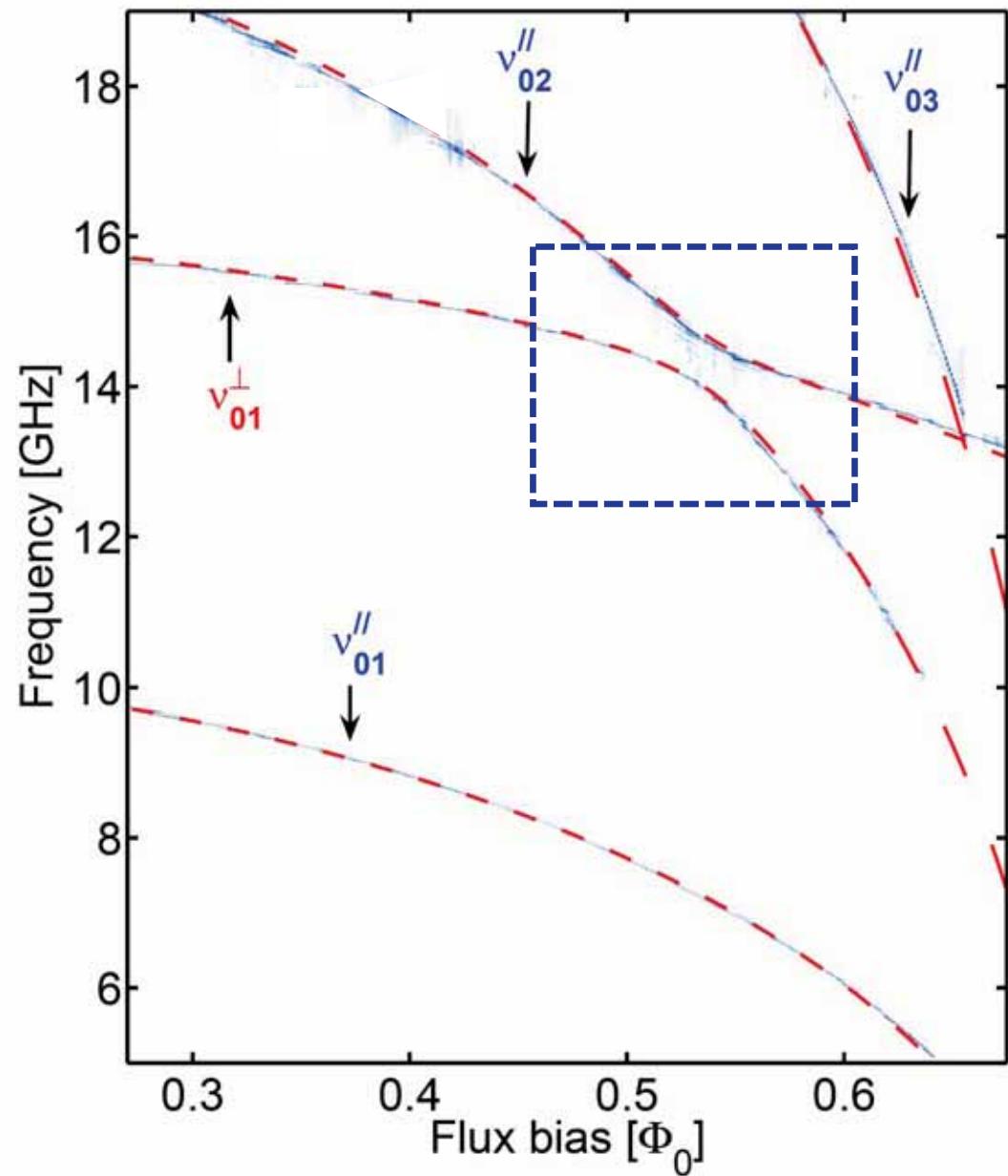
$$\hat{C}_{\parallel\perp} = h\nu_{21}^c \hat{X}_{\parallel}^2 \hat{Y}_{\perp}$$

Also discussed in quantum
optics and ion traps

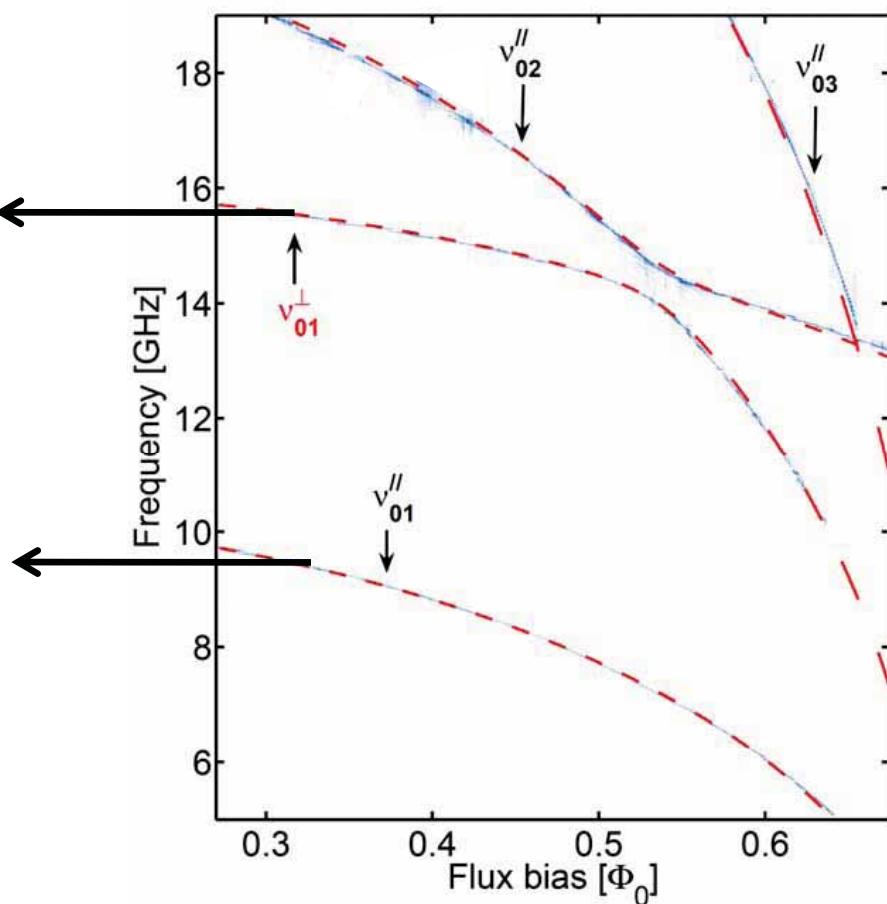
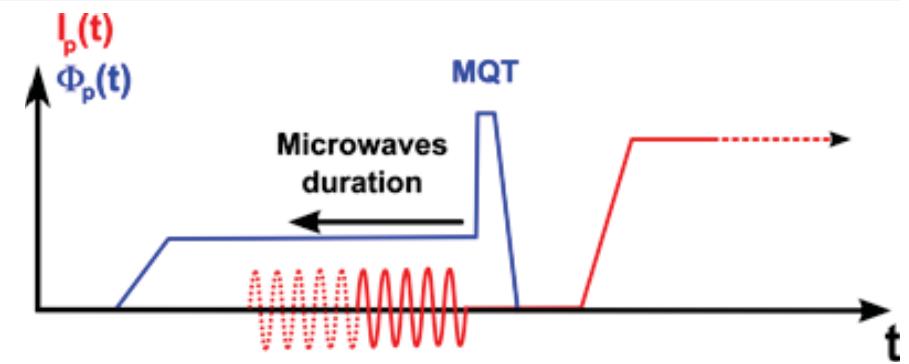
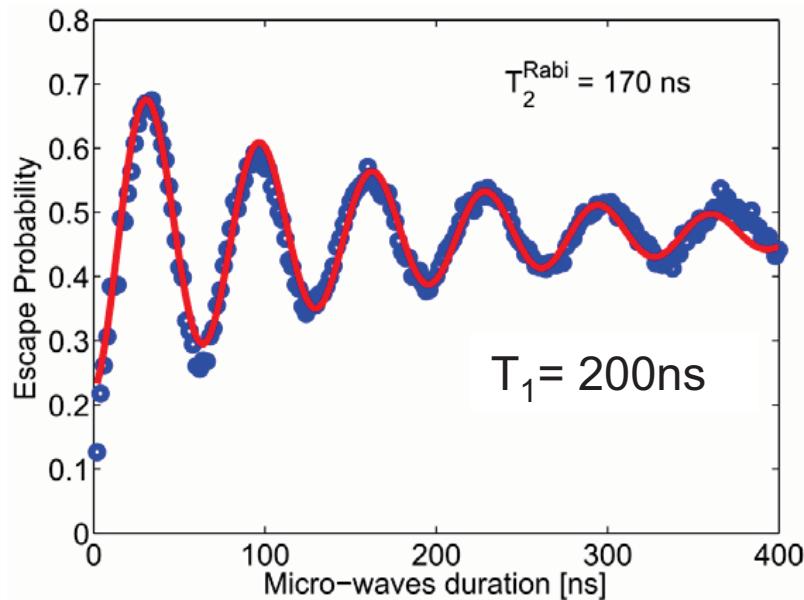
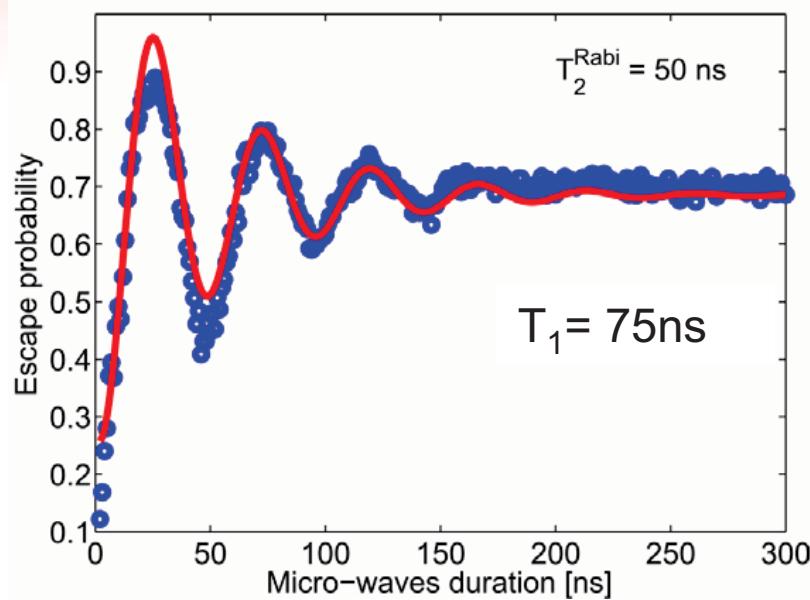
Bertet et al, PRL (2002)
Vogel and Dematos, PRA (1995)

Strong coupling regime

$$\nu_{21}^c = 700\text{MHz}$$



Coherent oscillations of the two modes





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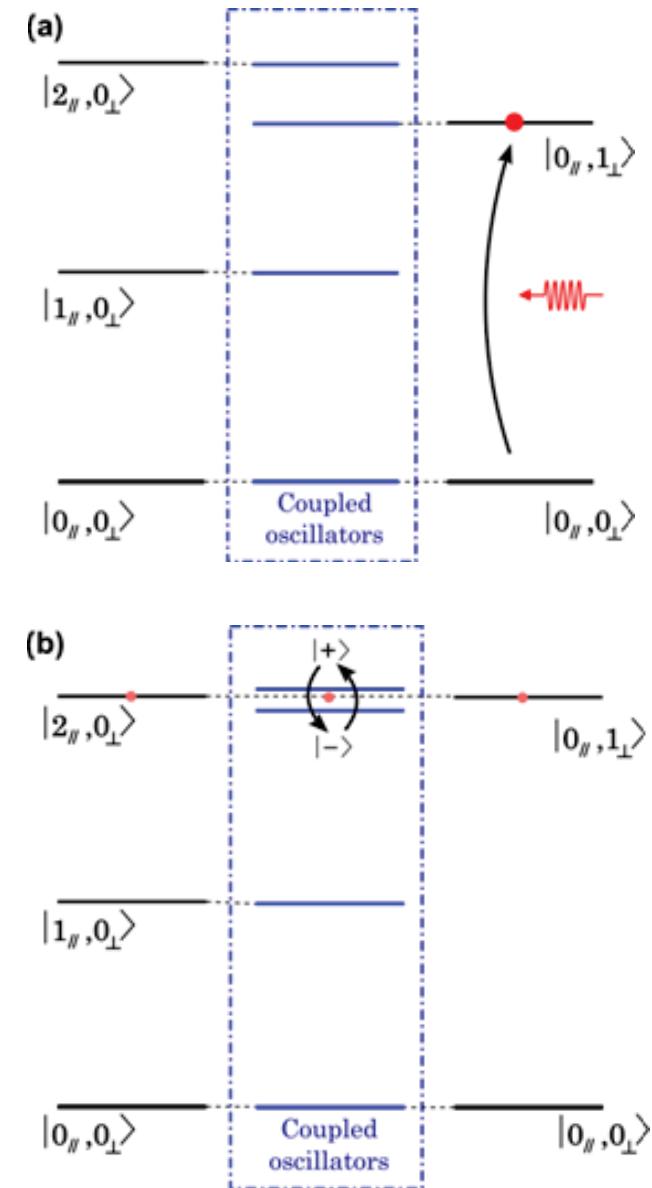
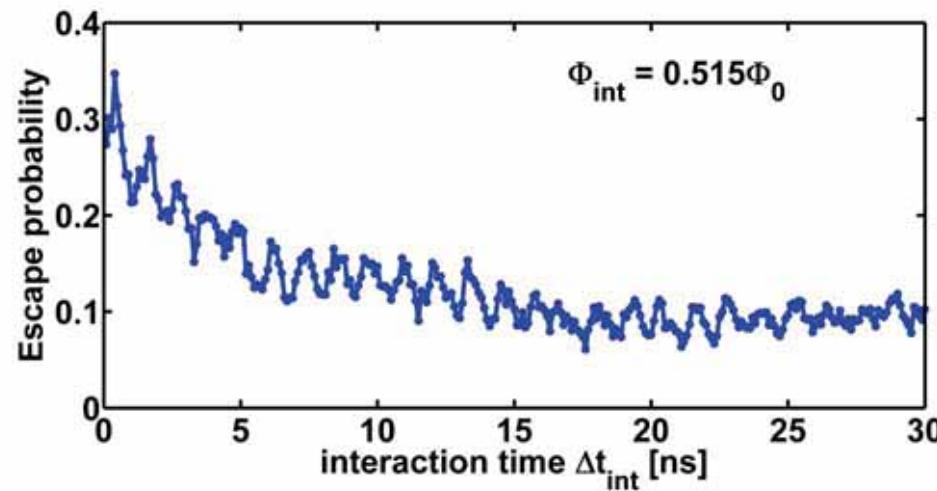
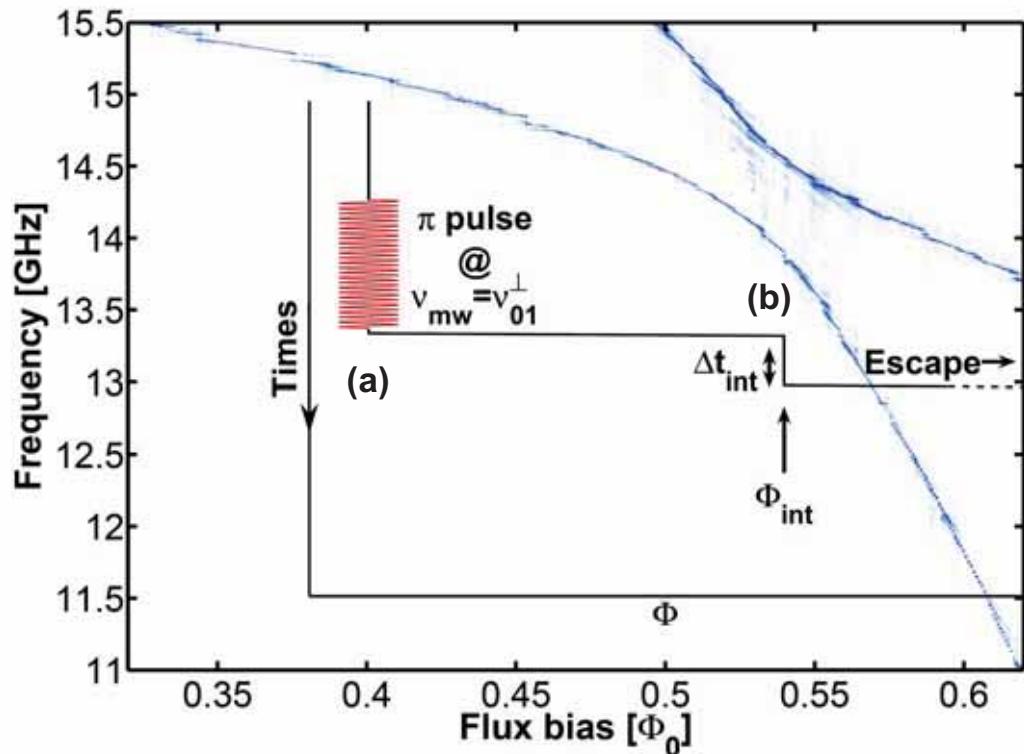
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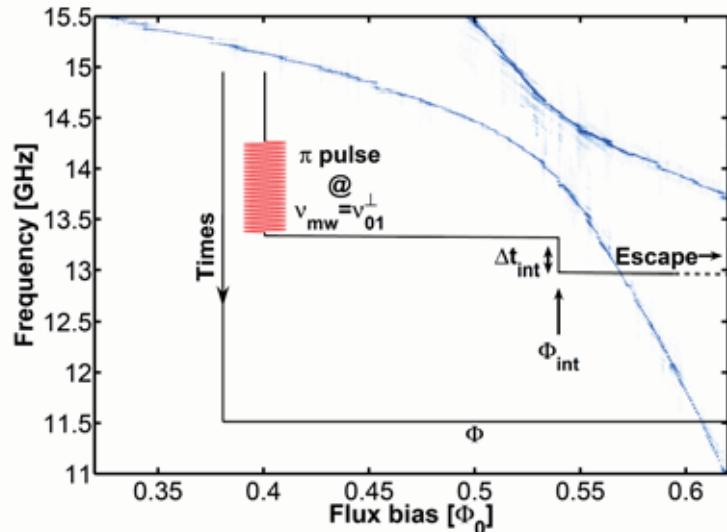
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Coherent oscillation between modes



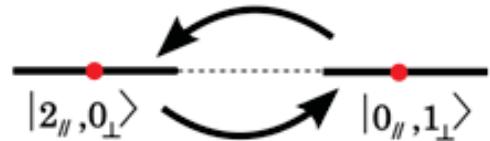
Non linear coupling, strong ~700MHz

Coherent oscillation between modes



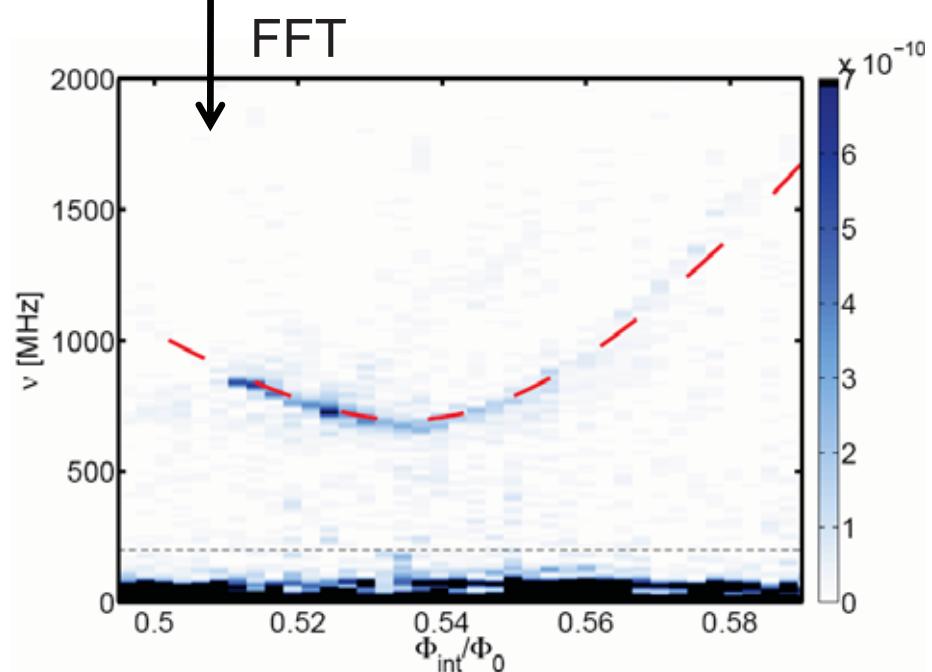
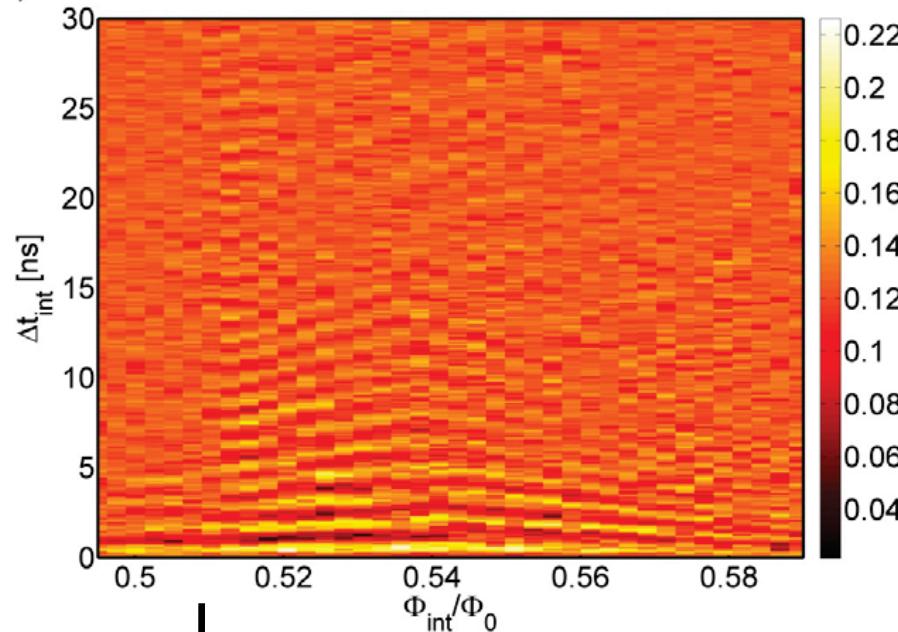
Coherent exchange of quanta
between the modes

Frequency conversion
back and forth



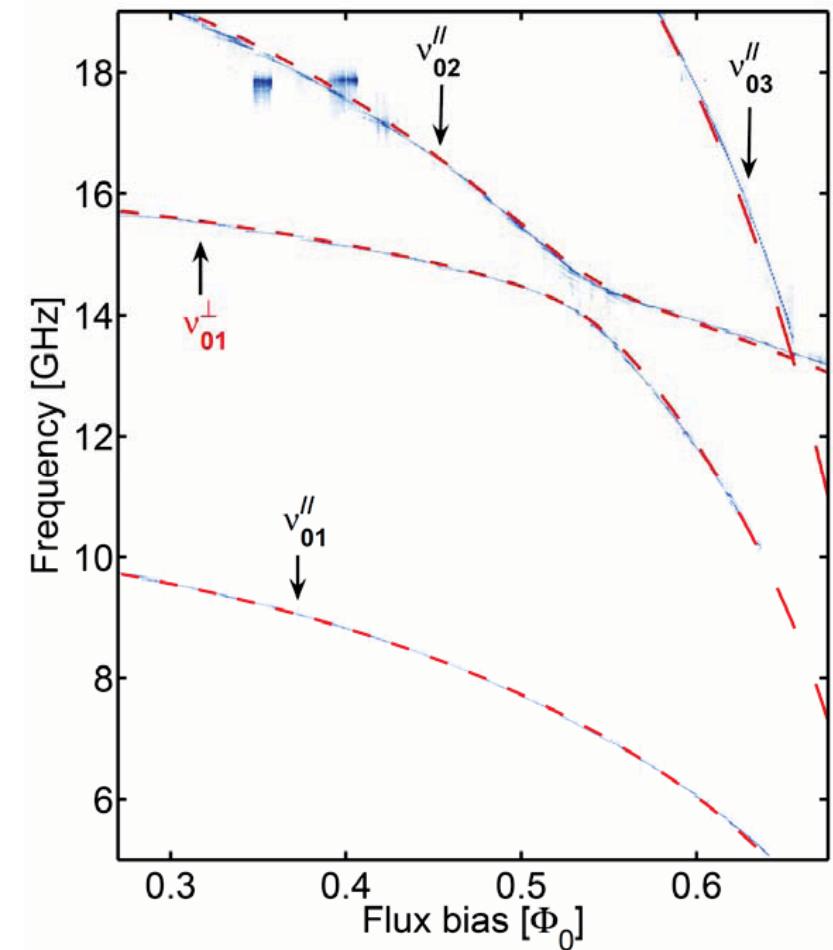
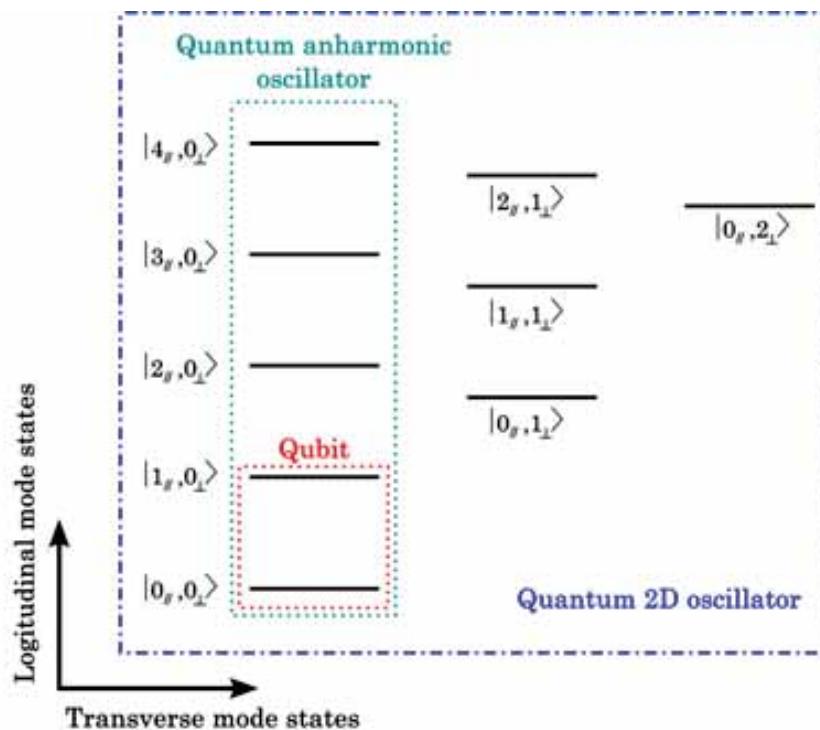
$|1_{\parallel}, 0_{\perp}\rangle$

$|0_{\parallel}, 0_{\perp}\rangle$



Conclusion

- A dcSQUID with a large loop inductance can be described as two coupled oscillators
- Non linear coupling
(exchange of 2 quanta in one mode, 1 quantum in the other)



Artificial atom with
two degrees of freedom...

Quantum dynamics in Josephson junction chains

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Single Josephson (SQUID) junction chains



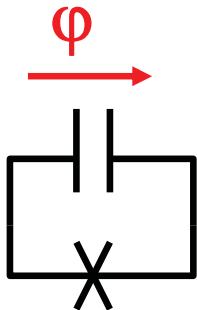
Fundamental research:

- collective behavior in multi-degrees of freedom_system
- Quantum Phase-Slips
(Mateveev, Larkin, Glazman, PRL2002)

Possible applications: → Current standard

→ New type of qubits topologically protected

Quantum phase-slip in a single junction



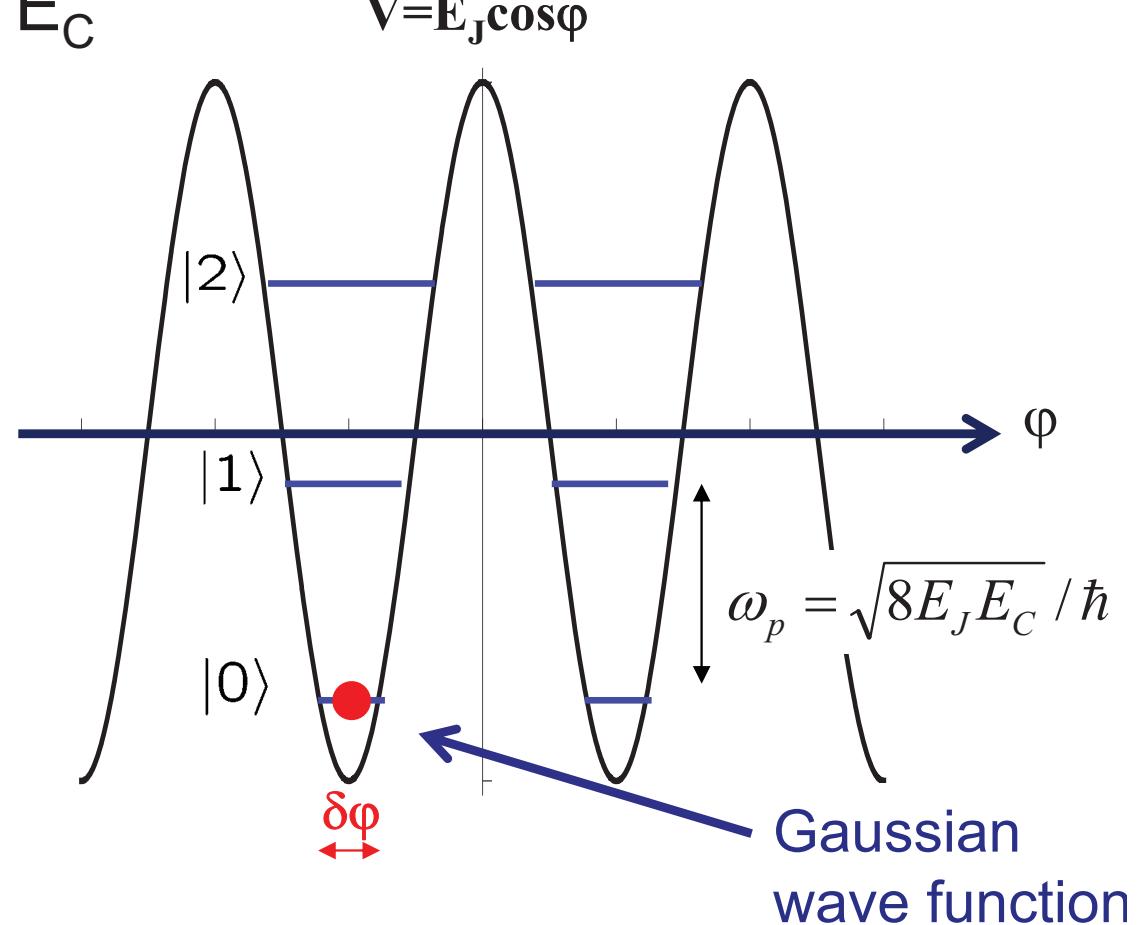
E_J slightly larger
than E_C

$$\hat{H} = E_C (\hat{Q}/e)^2 + E_J \cos \hat{\phi}$$

$$[Q, \varphi] = -2ie$$

Schrödinger equation:

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{d(\varphi/2)^2} + \left(\frac{E}{E_C} + \frac{E_J}{E_C} \cos \varphi \right) \psi = 0$$



Exponentially small
overlap of
Gaussian tails

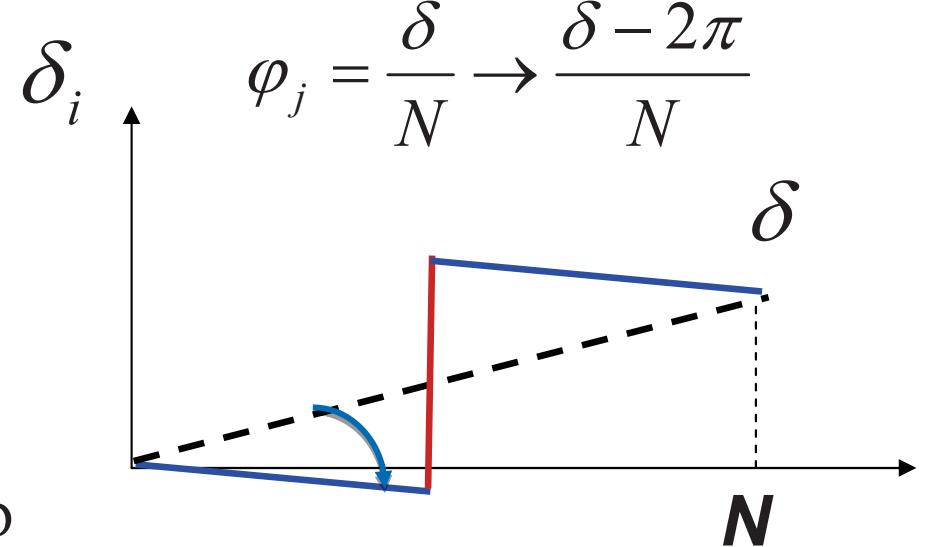
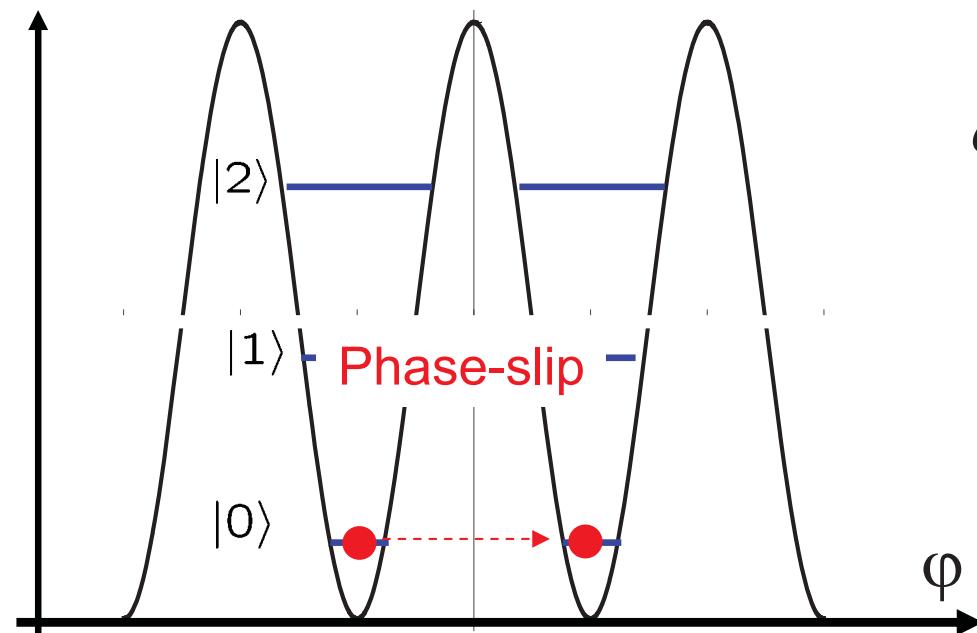
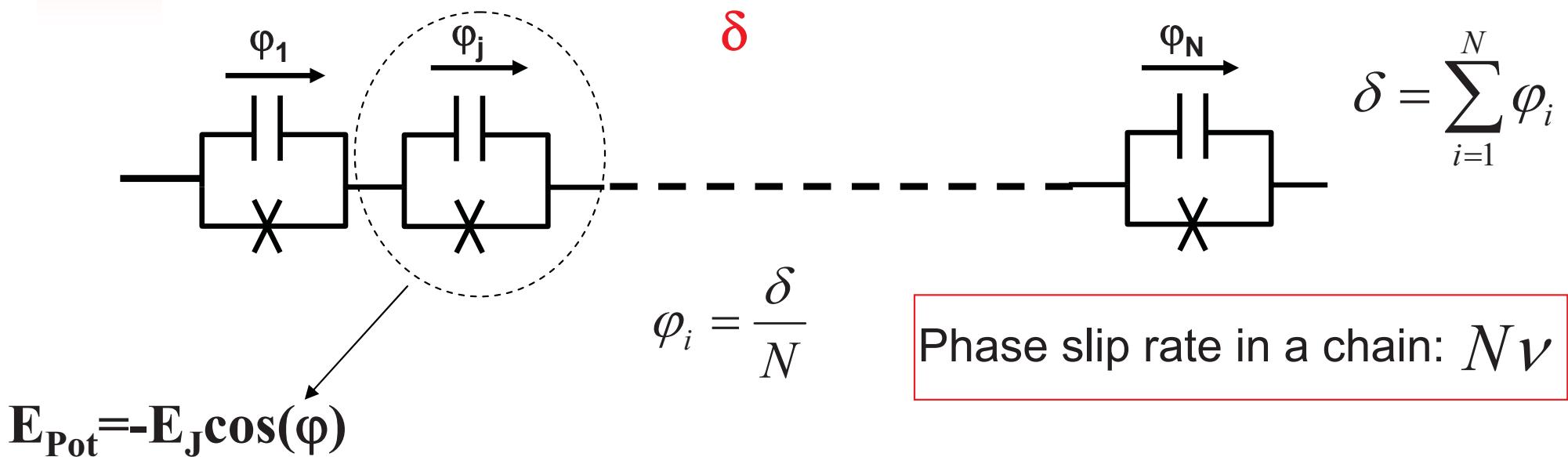


Phase-slip
rate

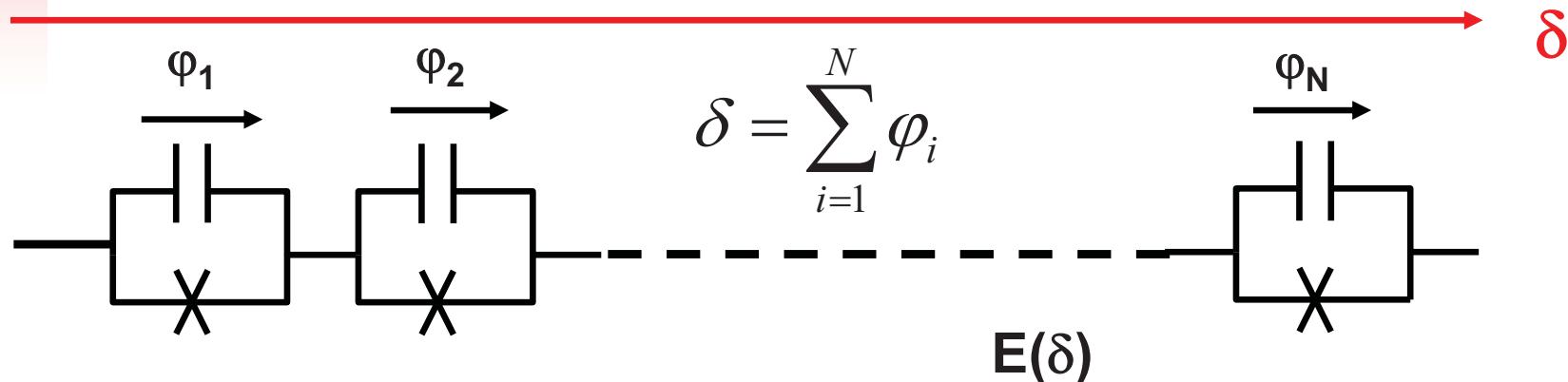
$$\nu \approx (E_J^3 E_C)^{1/4} \exp\left(-\sqrt{8E_J/E_C}\right)$$

Phase biased Josephson junction chain

N Josephson junctions in series



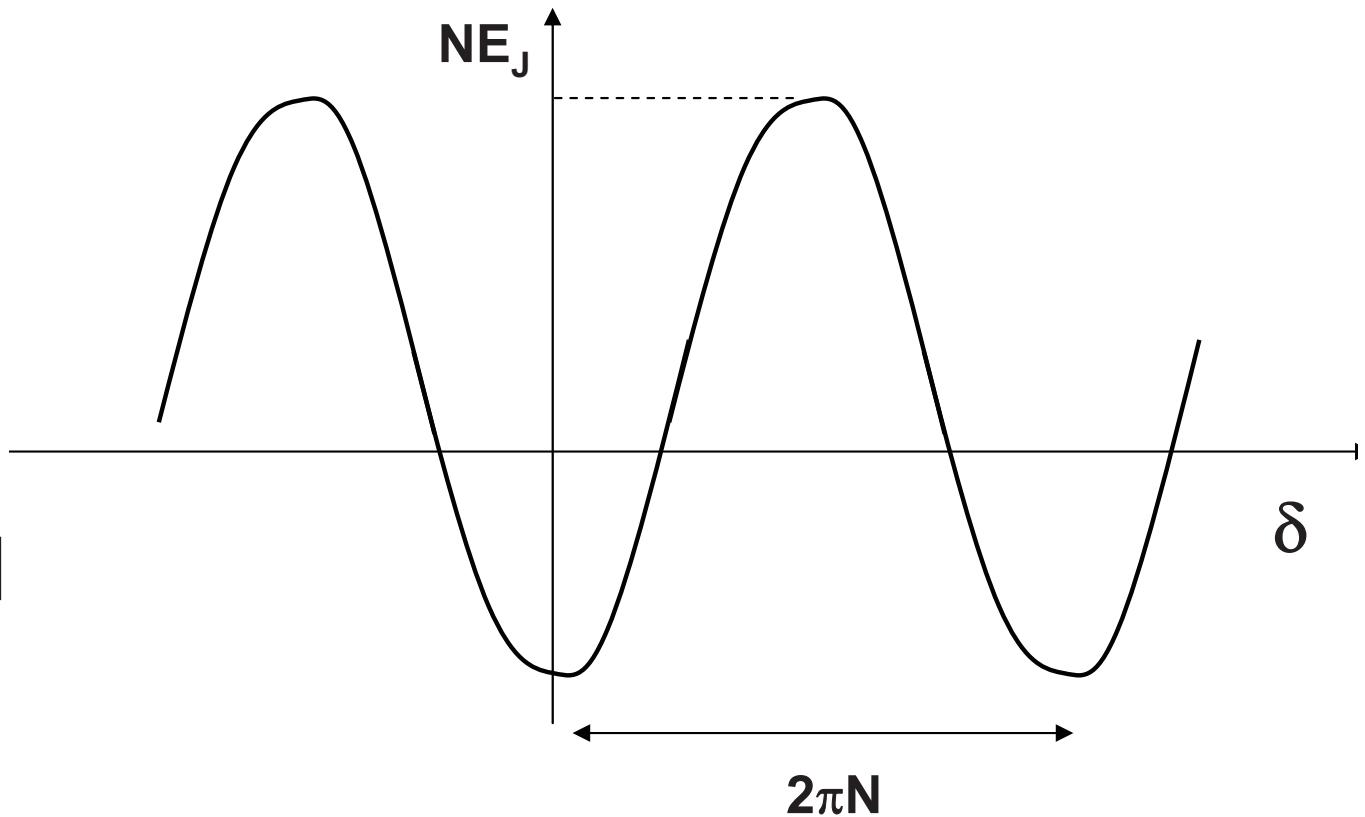
“Classical regime”: E_J large and $E_C=0$



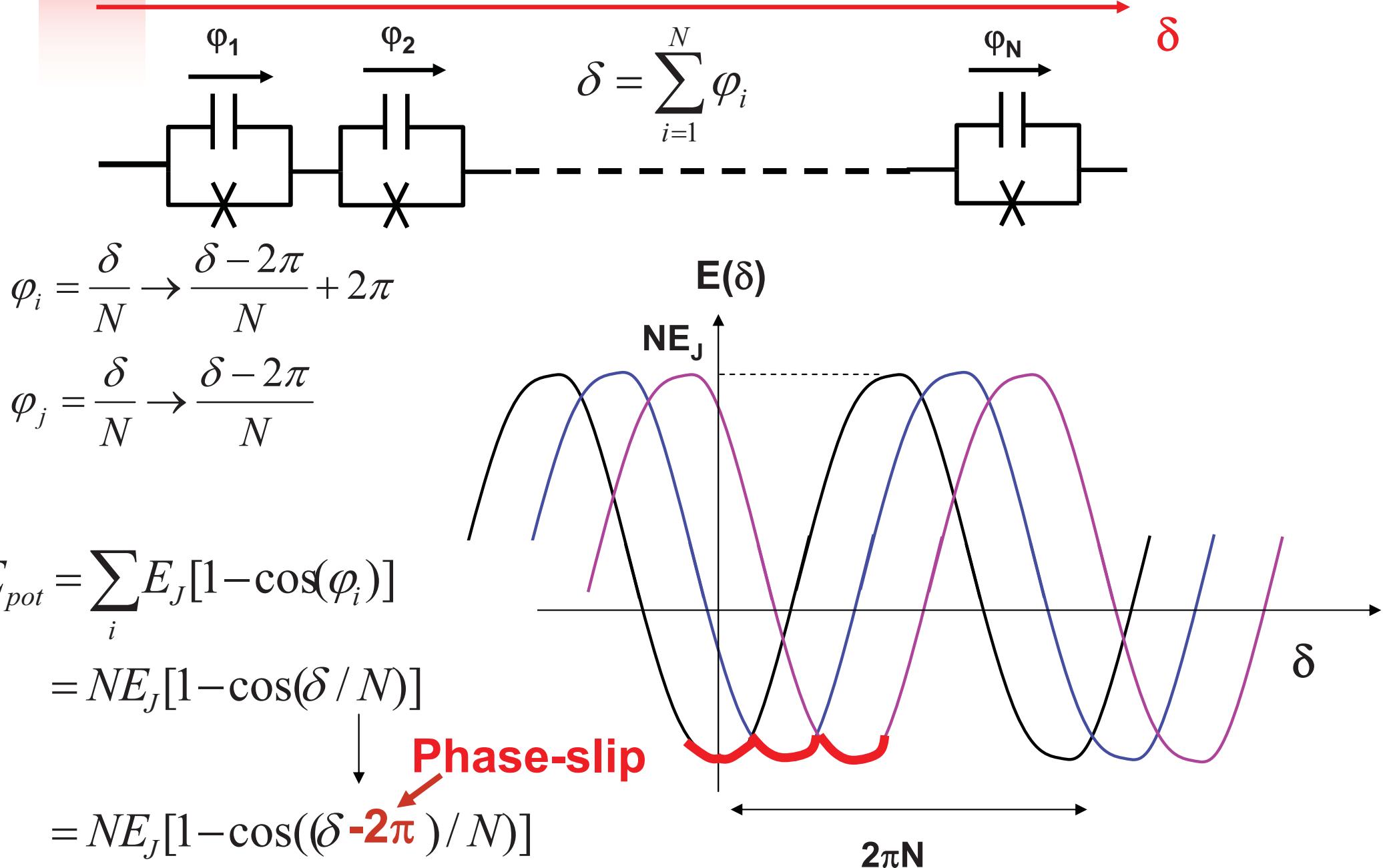
$$\phi_i = \frac{\delta}{N}$$

$$E_{pot} = \sum_i E_J [1 - \cos(\phi_i)]$$

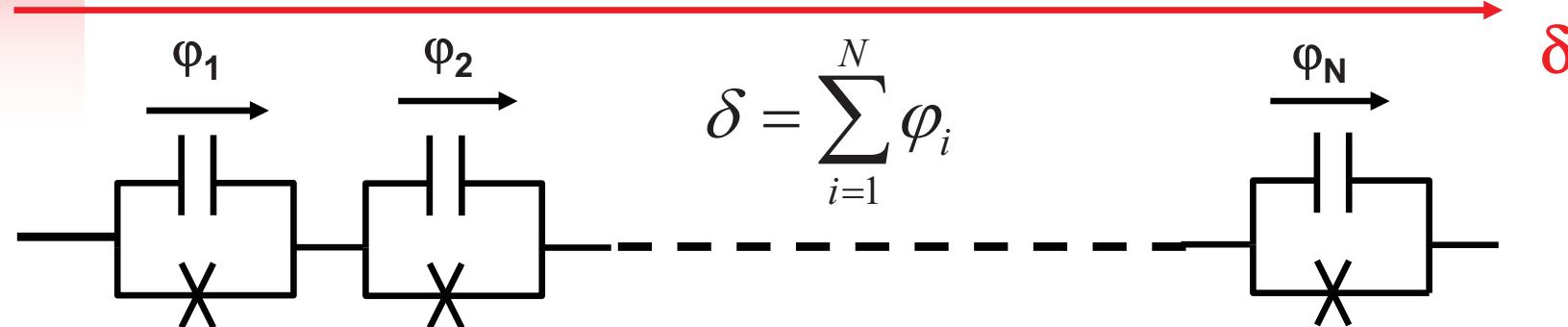
$$= N E_J [1 - \cos(\delta / N)]$$



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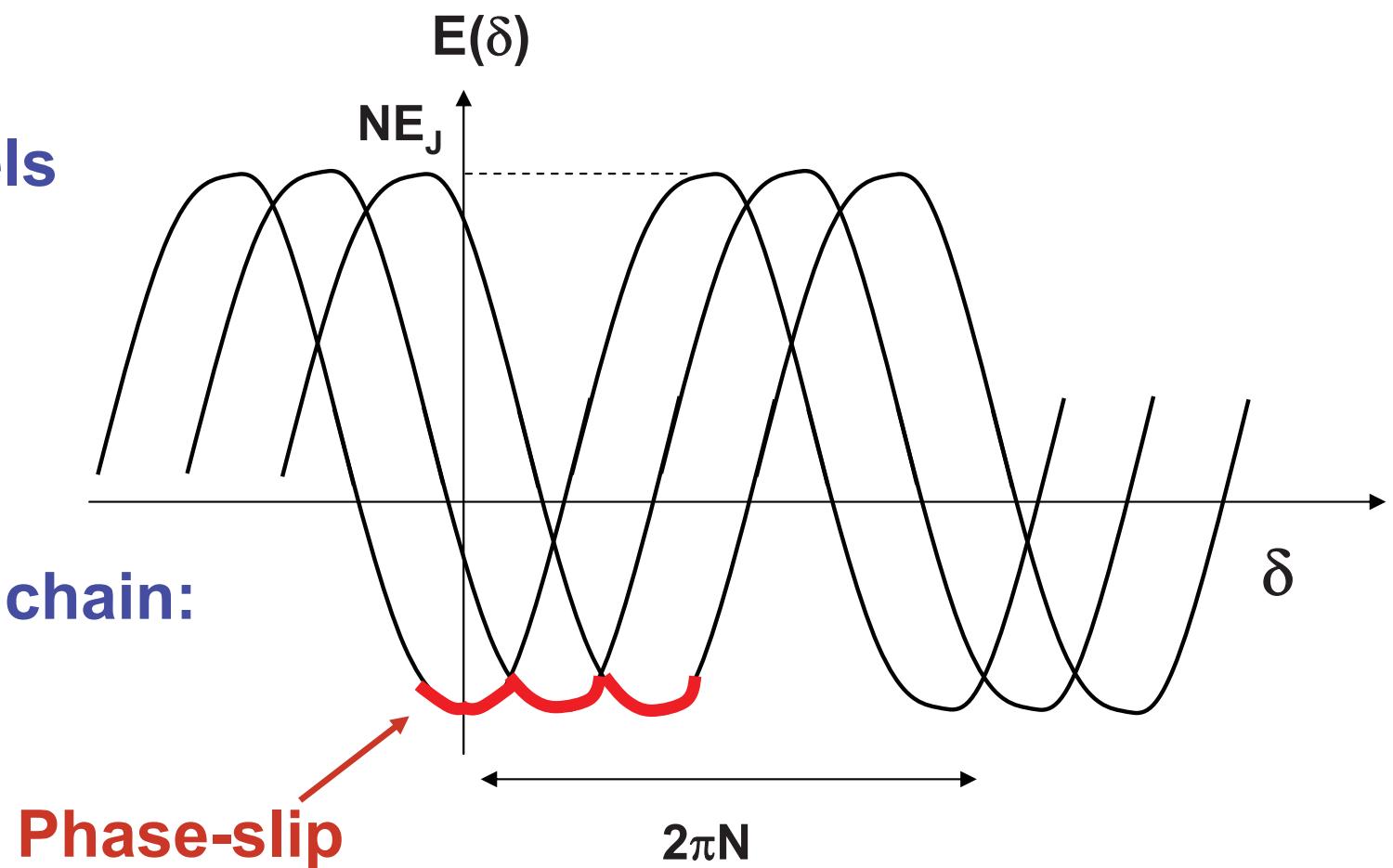


**Low energy levels
of the chain:**

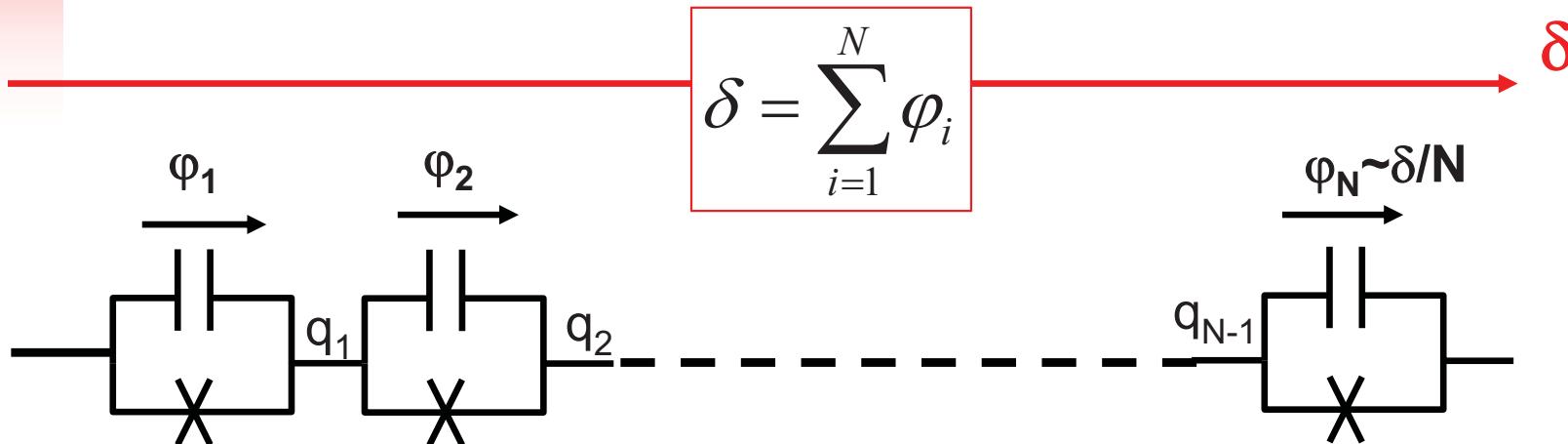
$$E_m \approx \frac{E_J}{2N} (\delta + 2\pi m)^2$$

Critical current of chain:

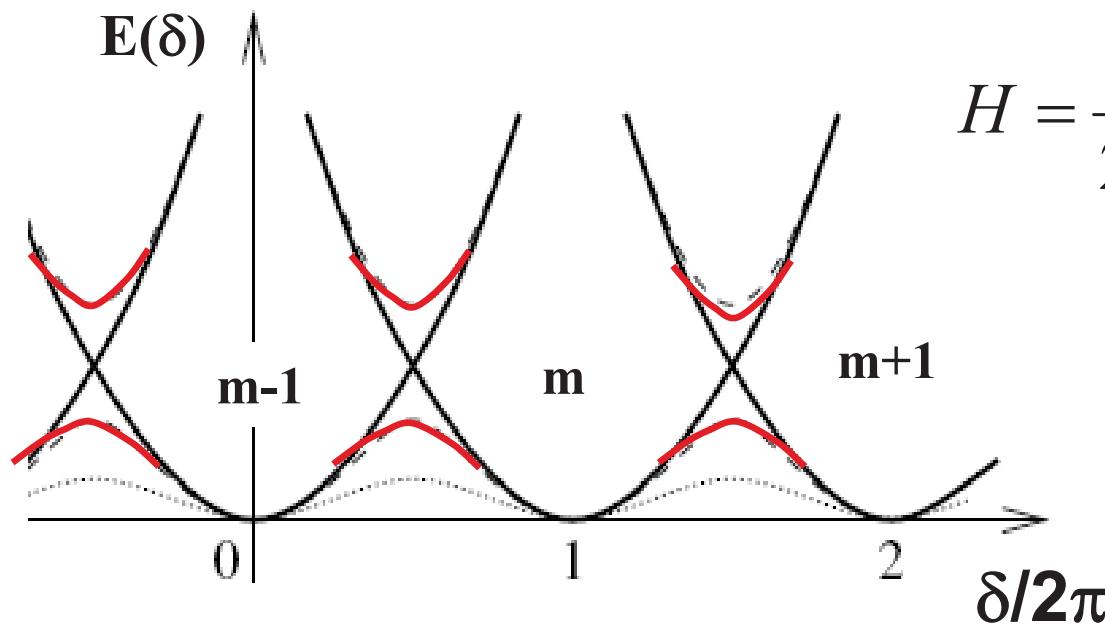
$$I_c^{chain} \approx \frac{\pi I_c}{N}$$



“Quantum regime”: $E_J > E_C$



$$v^{chain} \approx N(E_J^3 E_C)^{1/4} \exp\left(-\sqrt{8E_J/E_C}\right)$$



$$H = \frac{E_J}{2N} (2\pi\hat{m} - \delta)^2 + \sum_m v^{chain} (|m+1\rangle\langle m| + |m\rangle\langle m+1|)$$

Matveev et al (2002)

Experimental verification of the quantum-phase slip model in a 6 Josephson junctions chain

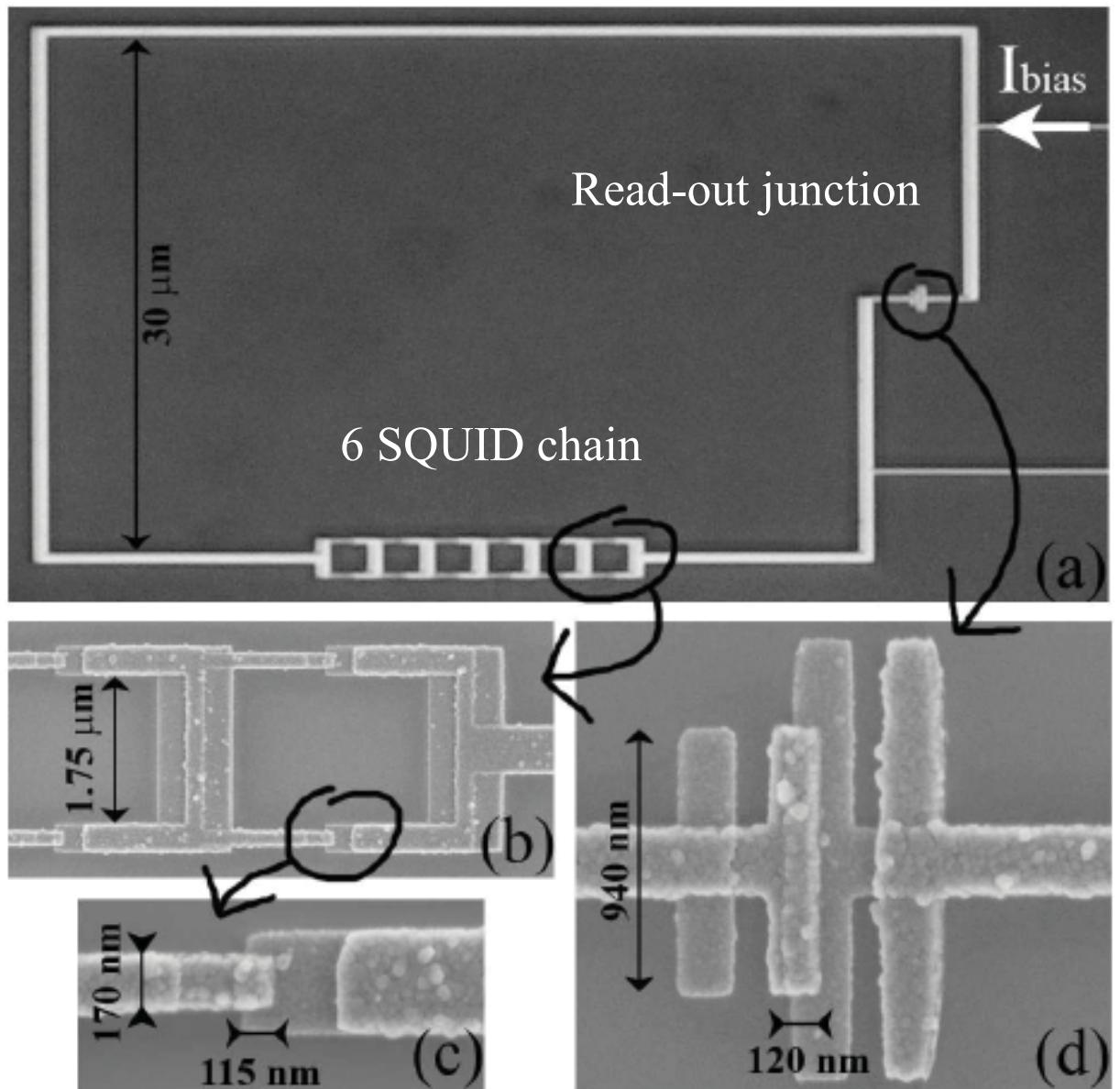
Idea:
tune strength of quantum
fluctuations with flux

$$\frac{E_J(f)}{E_C} = \frac{E_J^{SQ} |\cos(f\pi)|}{E_C}$$

$$I_c^{\text{Readout}} = 330 \text{nA}$$

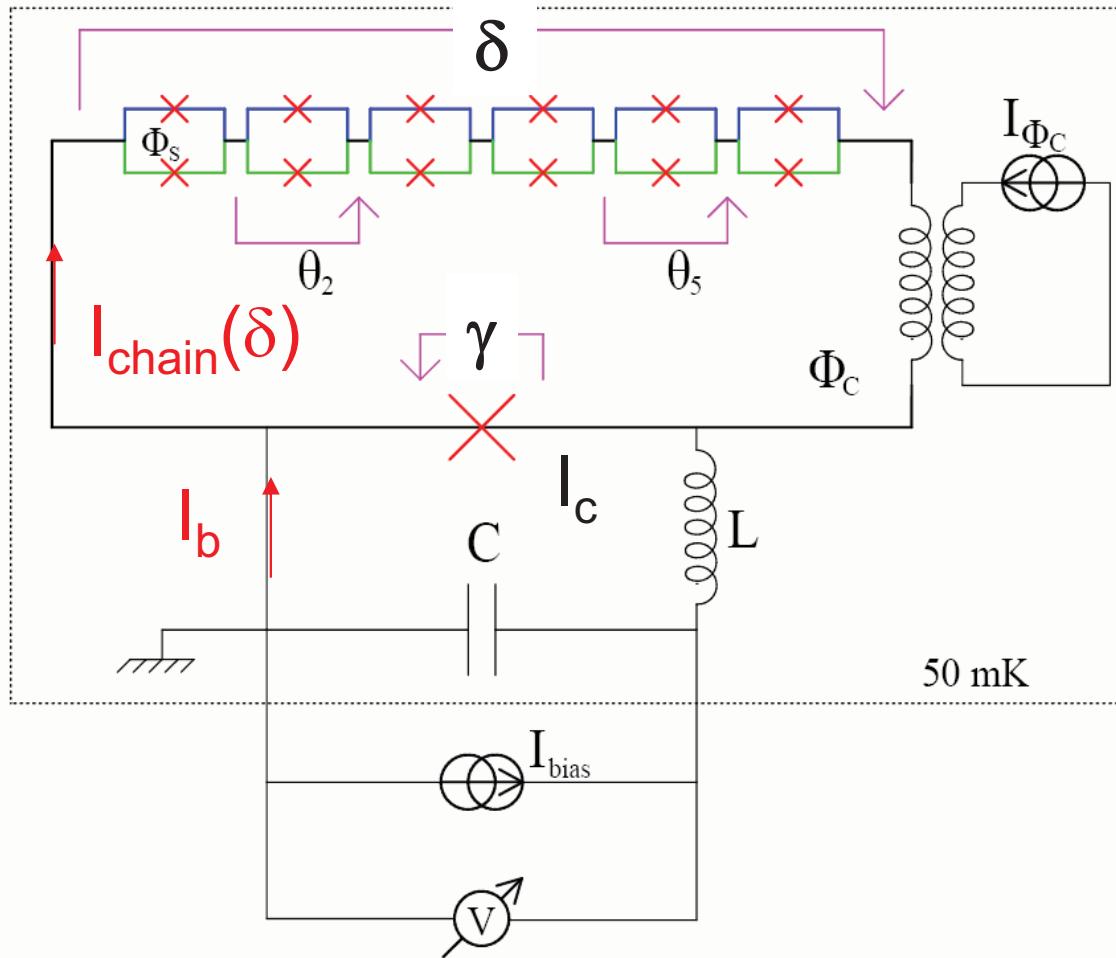
$$I_c^{\text{SQUID}} = 83 \text{nA}$$

$$\frac{E_J^{\text{SQUID}}}{E_c} \approx 3$$



Nanofab-facility

Measurement circuit

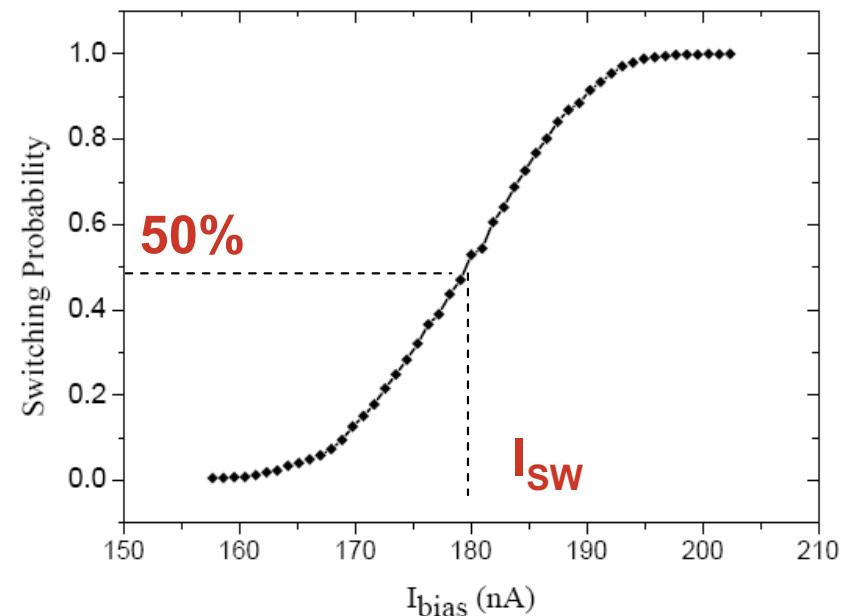


Statistic of N=10 000 events

Switching event:

$$I_b - I_{\text{chain}}(\delta) \approx I_C$$

$$\delta = 2\pi\Phi_C / \Phi_0 - \pi / 2$$



Measurement of the ground state of the chain as a function of bias phase

Switching current at 50%
escape probability

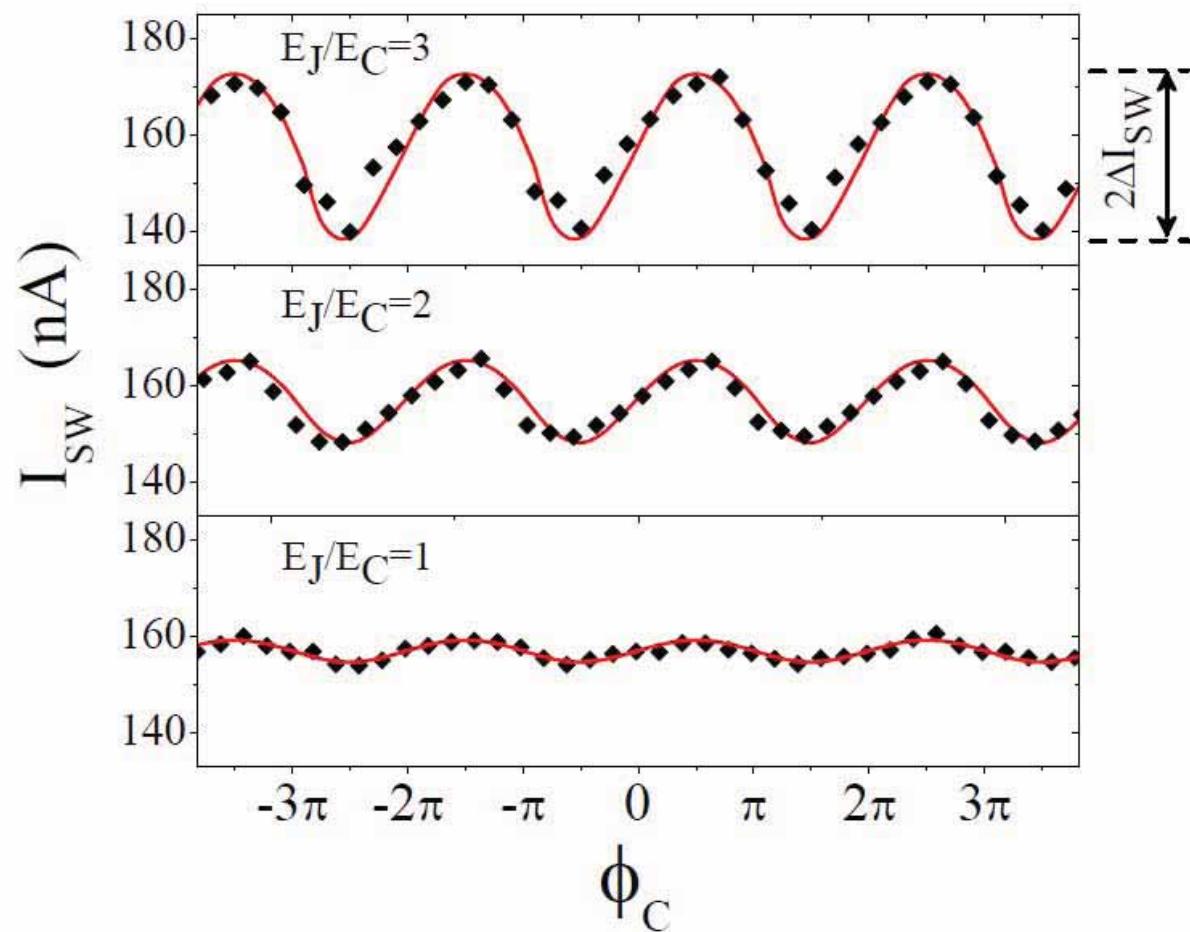
$$R_{\text{SQUID}} = 3.87 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_{\text{Readout}} = 968 \Omega$$

$$E_J = 2 \text{ K}$$

$$E_C = 0.66 \text{ K}$$

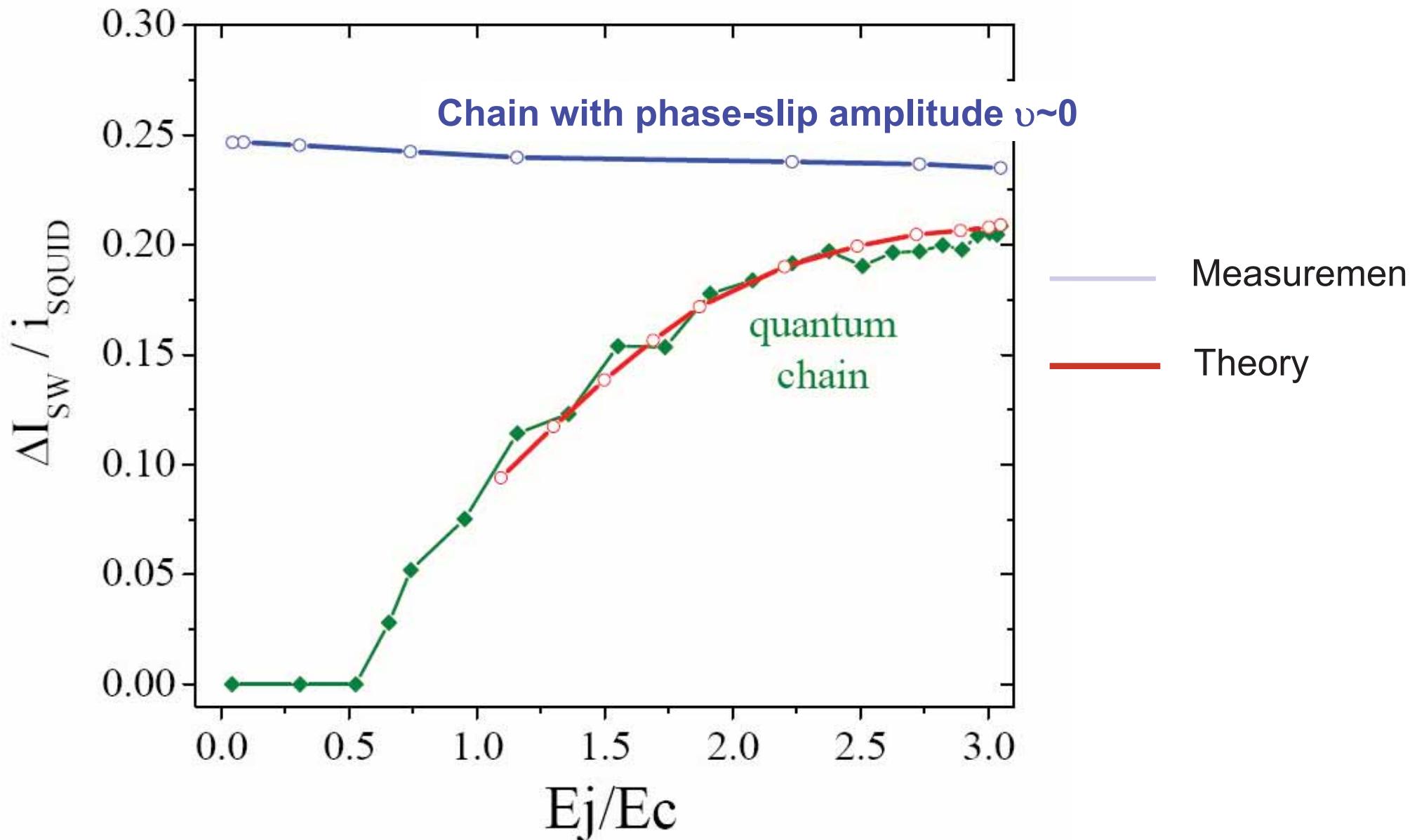
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Good agreement with quantum phase-slip model

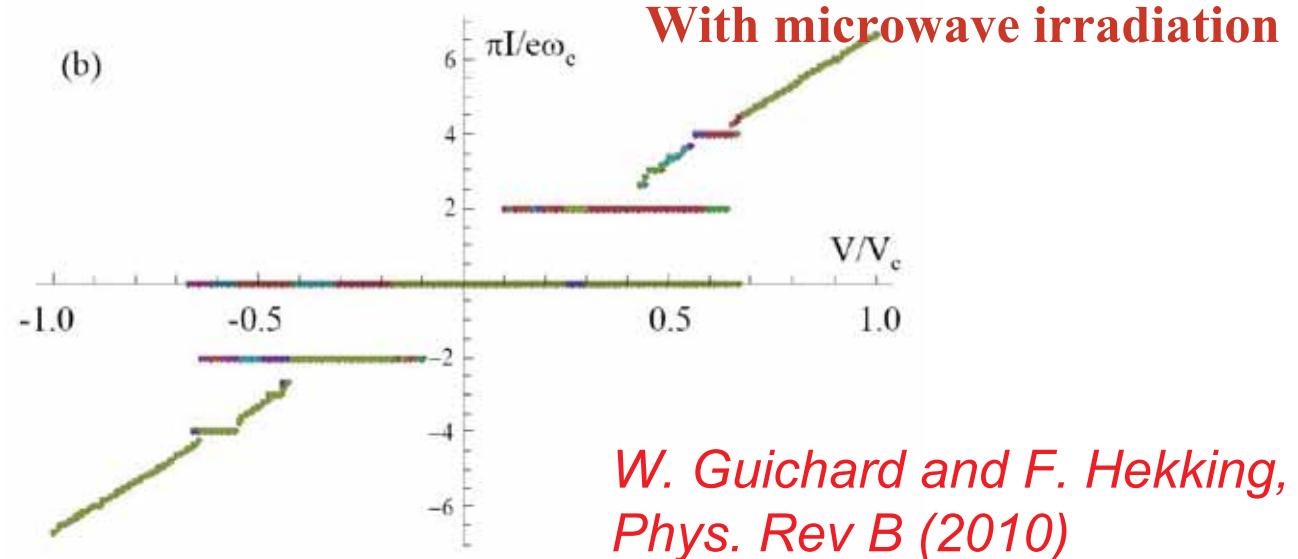
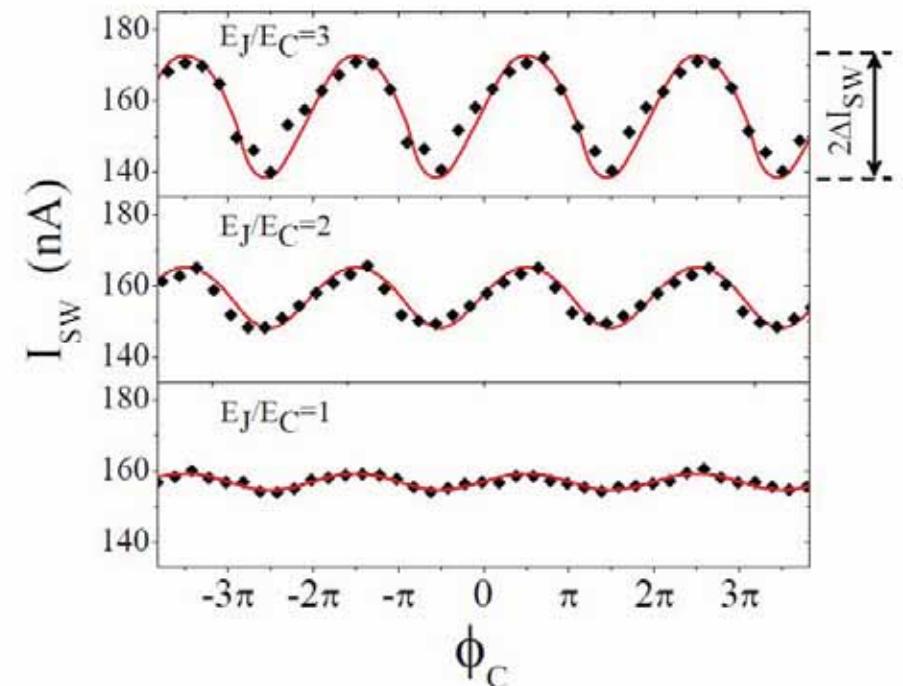
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Conclusion

- Evidence of quantum phase slips in a short Josephson junction chains
- Current-phase relation: $I=I_c^{\text{chain}} \sin(d)$
- Ground state well understood
What about excited states?
- Current standard in a chain?

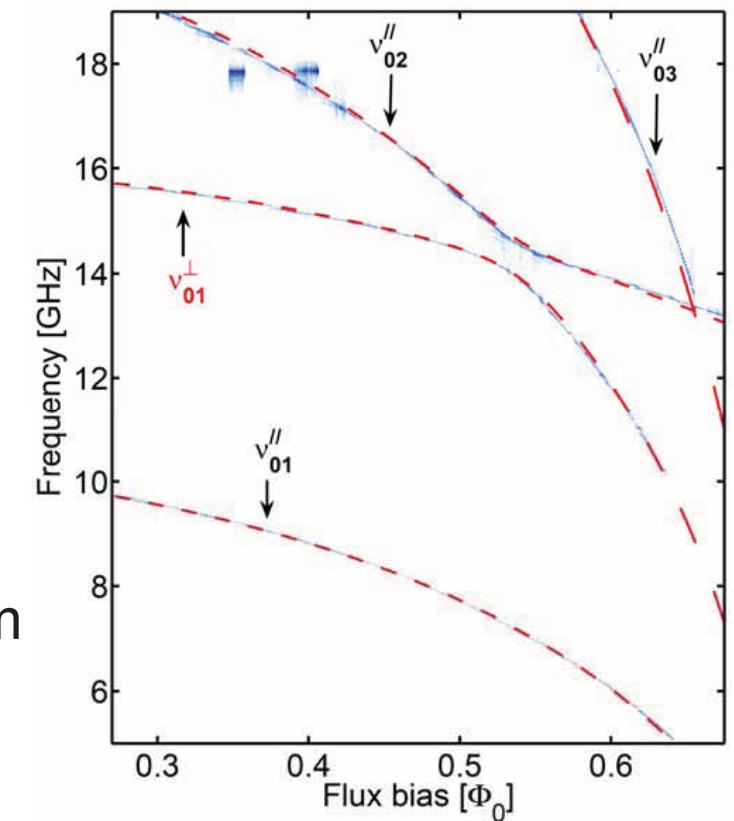


*W. Guichard and F. Hekking,
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Superconducting quantum circuits:

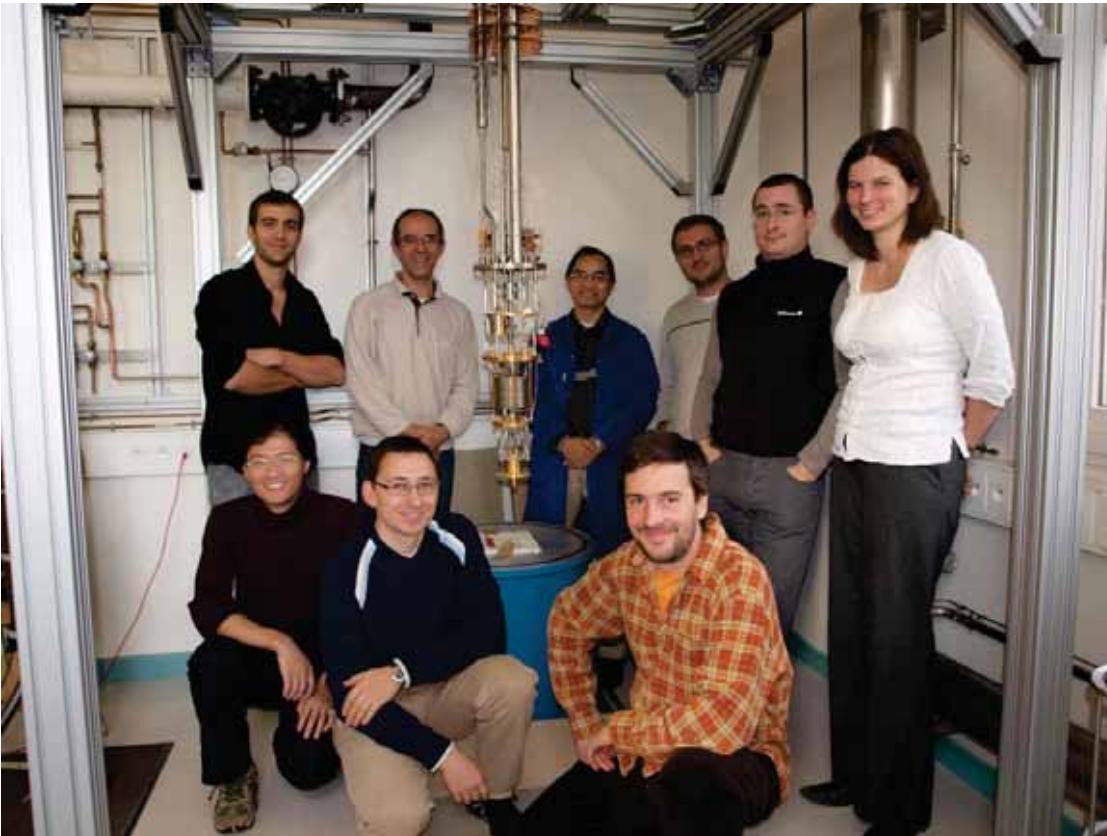
- controllable artificial atoms
- model system for quantum experiments
- adjustable circuits parameters to reach:
 - qubits
 - multilevel system
 - 2D properties
 - multi-degrees of freedom system



In the future:

- reproduction of well known atomic or quantum optics experiments
- realization of new quantum experiments and phenomena

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