

Coherent oscillations in a dc SQUID

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Introduction

Quantum information  Integrated quantum system

Main research : Control of a two level system

$|1\rangle$ _____
 $|0\rangle$ _____

- Josephson circuits (Nakamura99, ...)
- Quantum dots (Hayashi03)

 Realisation and manipulation of a single qubit

Qubit+entanglement : necessary for Shor algorithm

For some implementations (Grover algorithm, ...) :

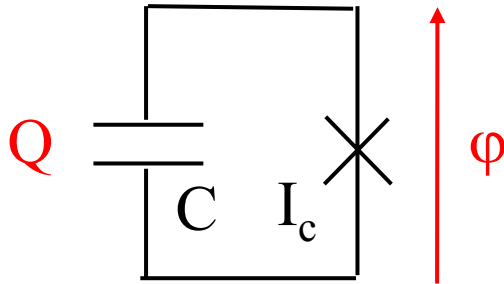
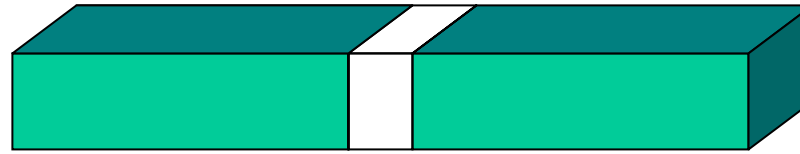
Control of a single multi-level quantum system(Lloyd99)

$|4\rangle$ _____
 $|3\rangle$ _____
 $|2\rangle$ _____
 $|1\rangle$ _____
 $|0\rangle$ _____

- Rydberg atom (Ahn00)
- Molecular magnets (Leuenberger01)
- Quantum dots (Leuenberger03)
- **Current-biased dc SQUID**

The Josephson junction

S_1 - I - S_2

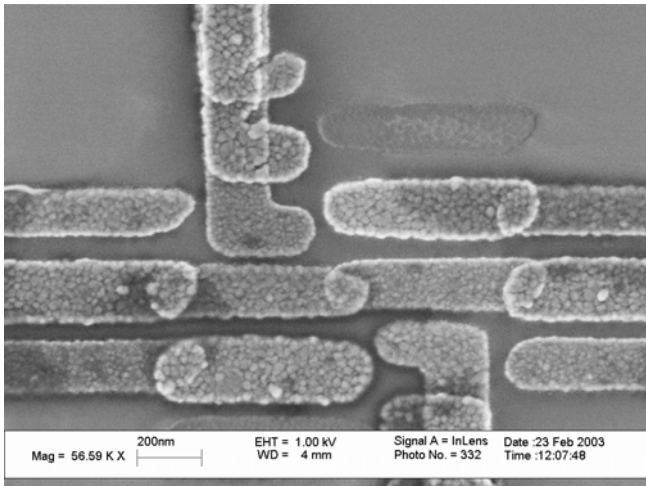


$$E_c = \frac{(2e)^2}{2C}$$

$$E_J = \frac{\Phi_0 I_c}{4\pi}$$

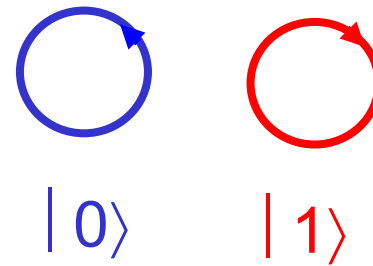
$E_c \gg E_J$ Charge qubit

$E_c \ll E_J$ Flux qubit



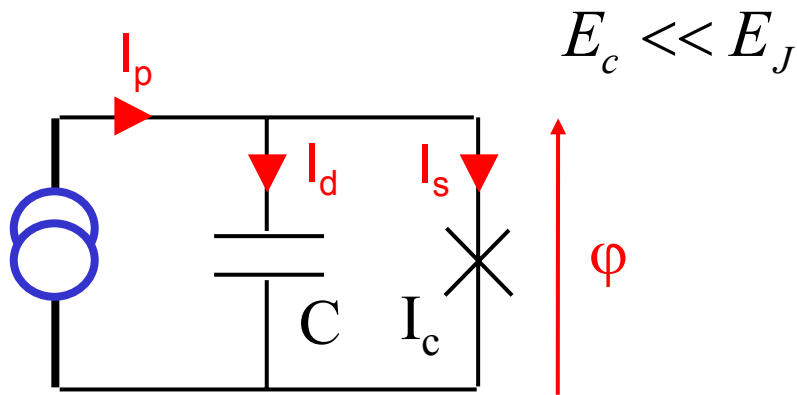
(Lafarge01)

(NEC, Saclay, Goteborg, Grenoble...)



(Delft, Stony-Brook, NTT...)

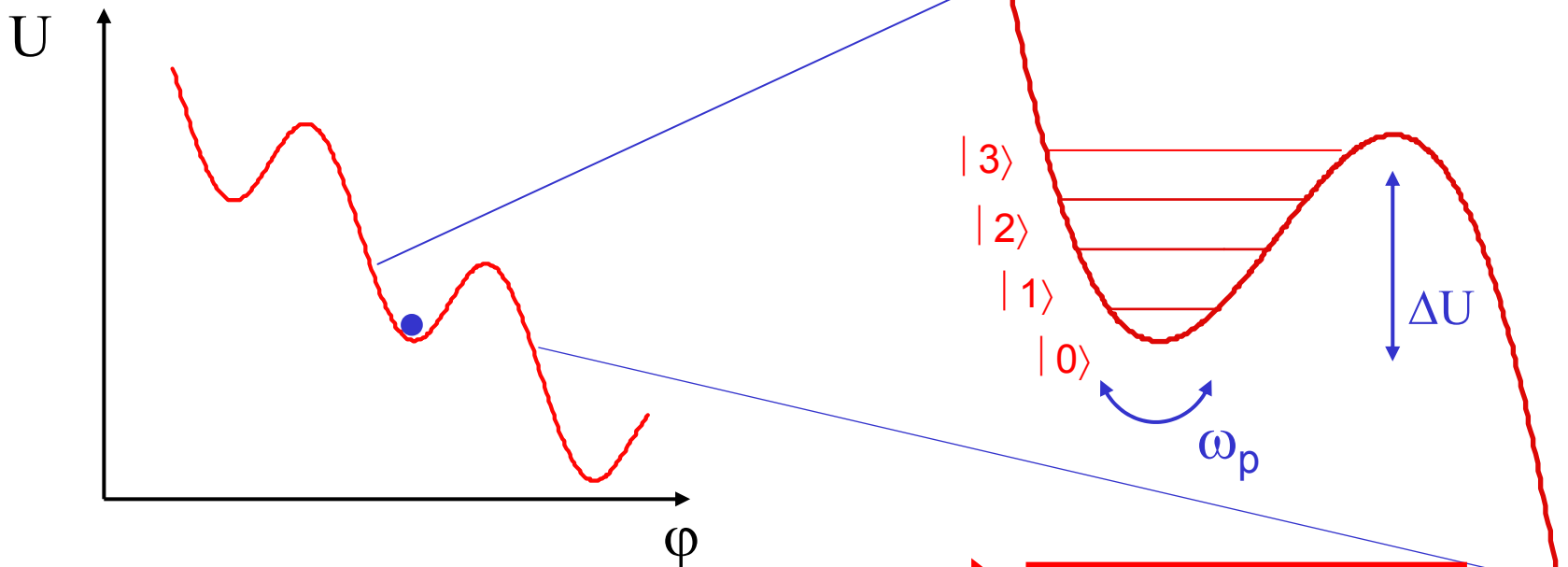
Phase qubit



$$C \left(\frac{\phi_0}{2\pi} \right)^2 \frac{d^2 \phi}{dt^2} = \frac{\phi_0 I_c}{2\pi} \left(\frac{I_p}{I_c} - \sin \phi \right)$$

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 masse m $-\frac{dU(\phi)}{d\phi}$

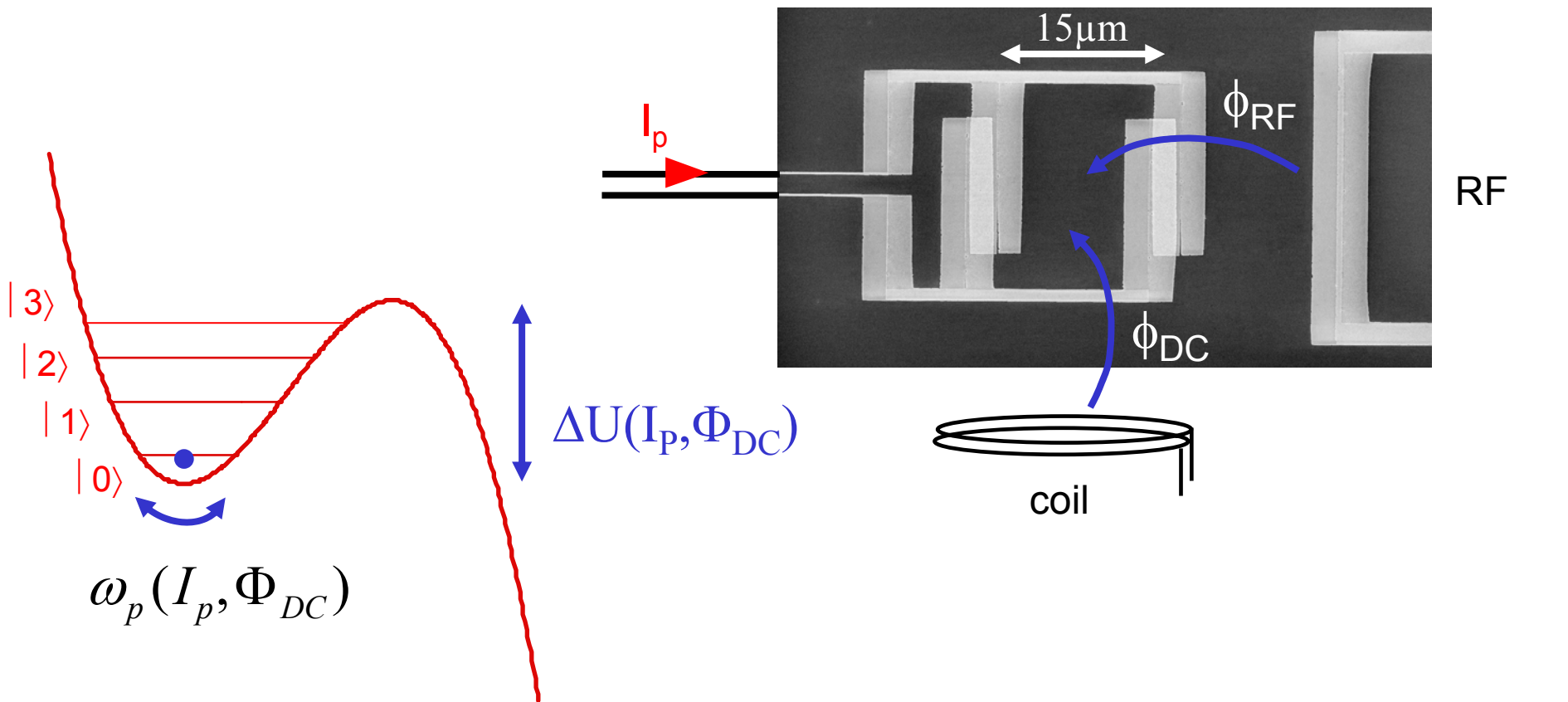
A fictitious particle in a potential $U(\phi)$



(Berkley, Saclay80, Colorado, Arkansas,...)

➔ Difficult control

The current biased dc SQUID: a controllable anharmonic oscillator

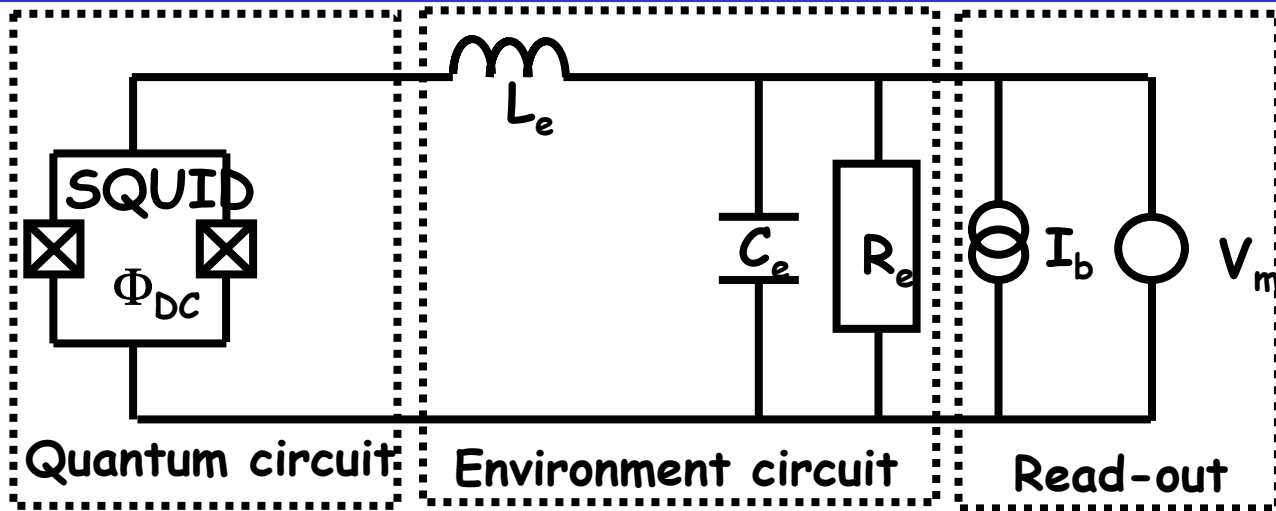


$$\hat{H}_e = \hbar\omega_p \cdot (\hat{P}^2 + \hat{X}^2) - \hbar\omega_p \sigma \cdot \hat{X}^3 + \hbar\omega_p \alpha_{RF}(t) \hat{X}$$

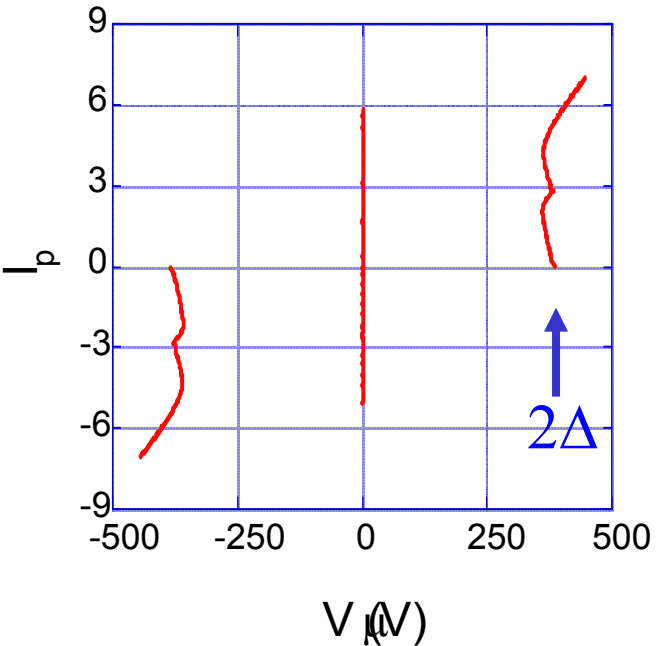
Out-line

- MQT for a dc SQUID
- Spectroscopic measurements
- Coherent oscillations

SQUID measurements

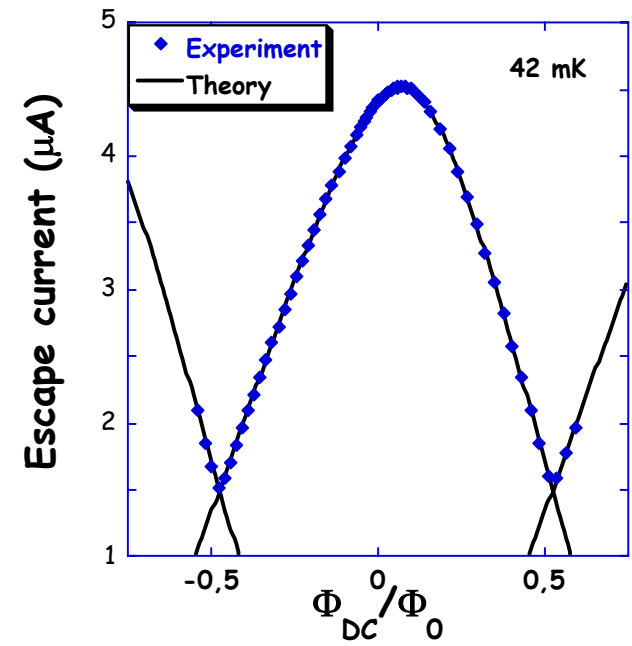


IV characteristics



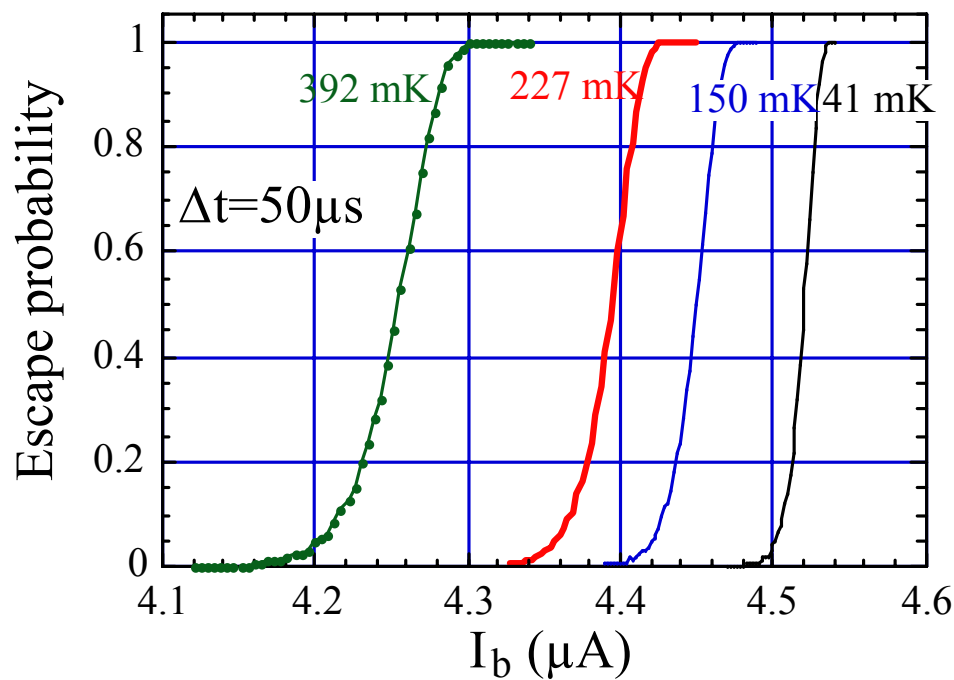
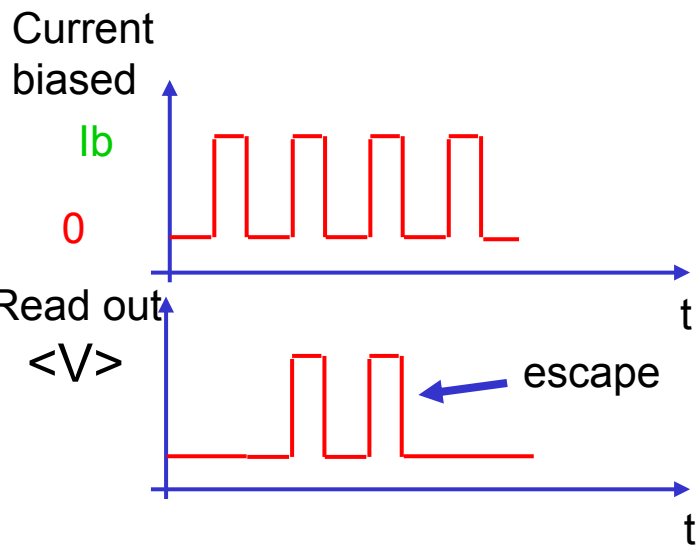
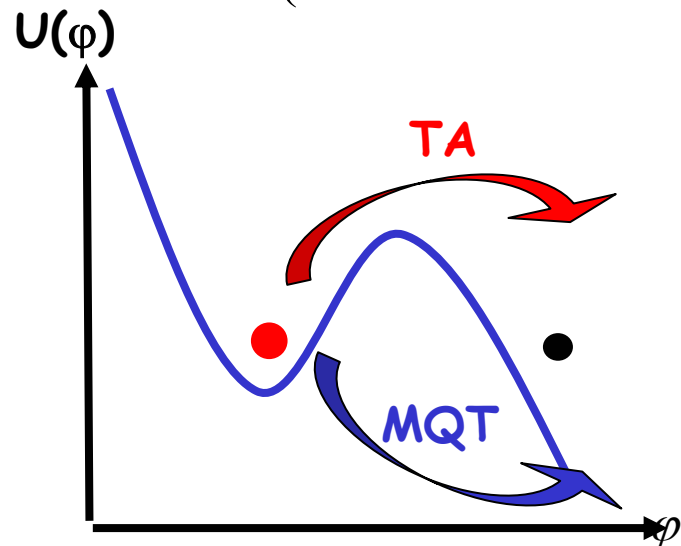
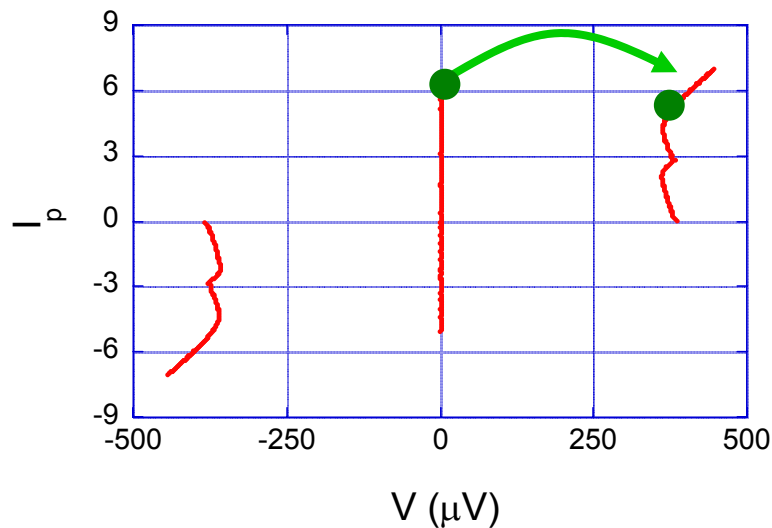
SQUID parameters:

- $I_0 = 2.33 \mu A$
- $C_0 = 0.46 pF$
- $L_{squad} = 244 pH$
- $\eta = -0.26$



Escape measurements

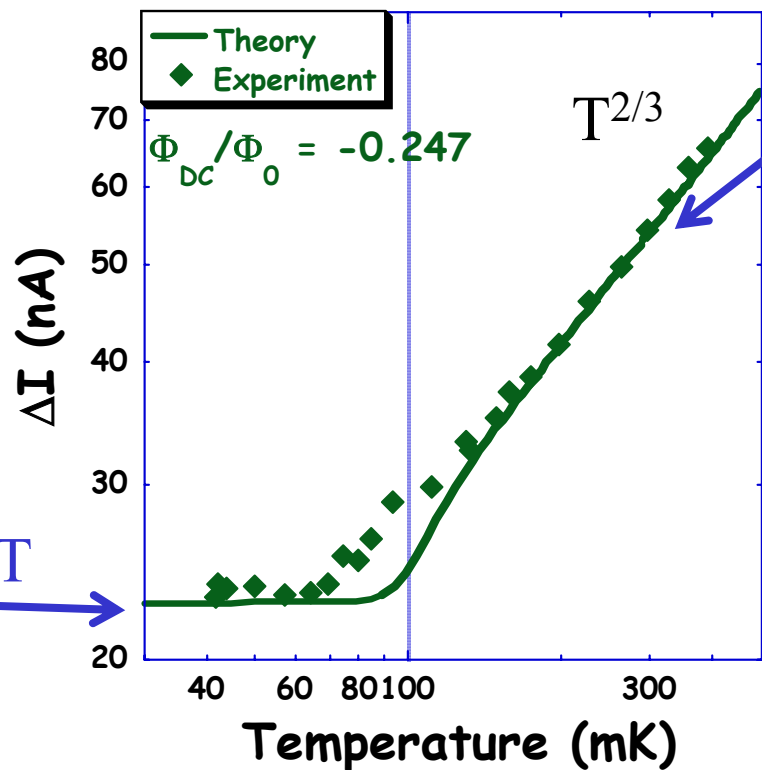
(Balestro *PhD-Thesis*)



Escape regimes

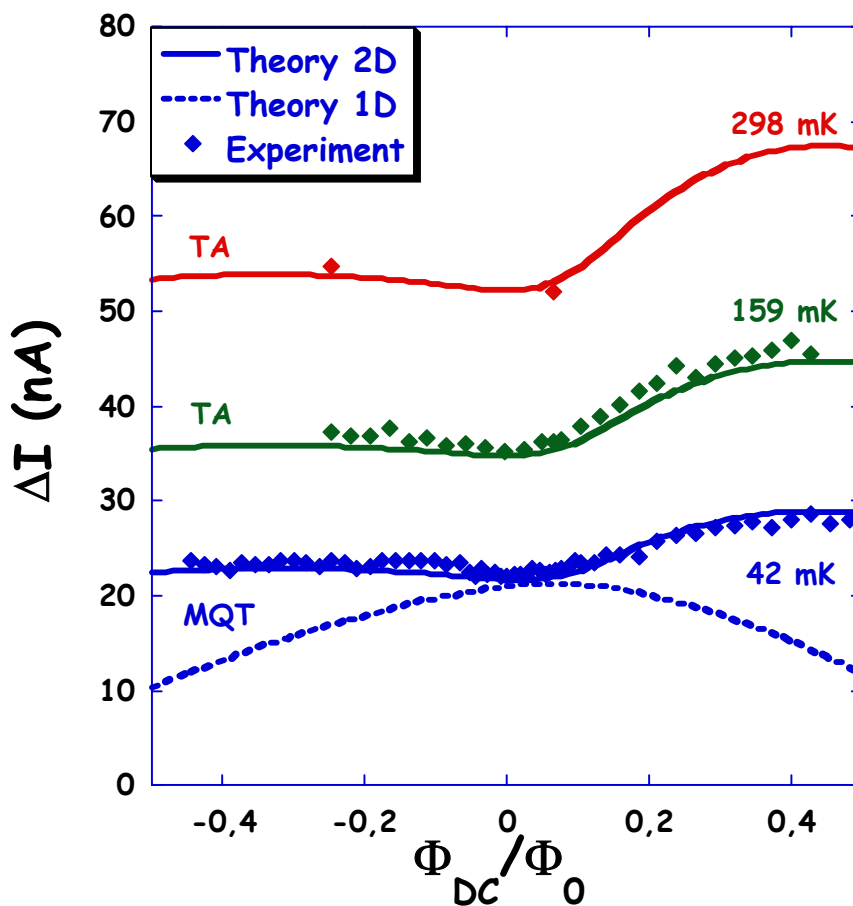
Balestro *et al* PRL 2003

Temperature dependence

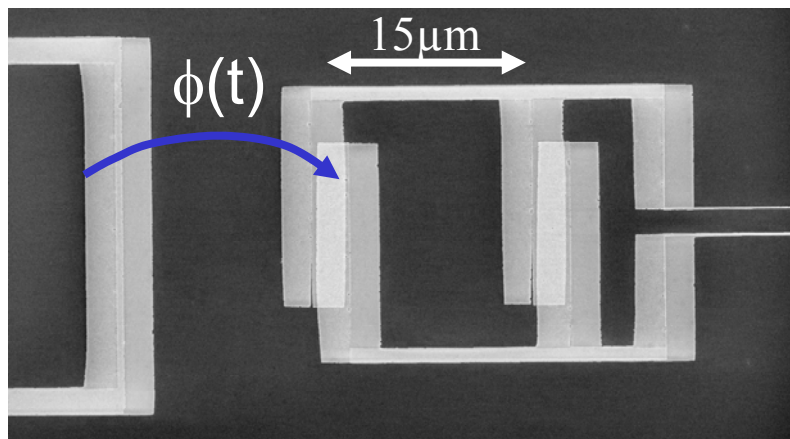
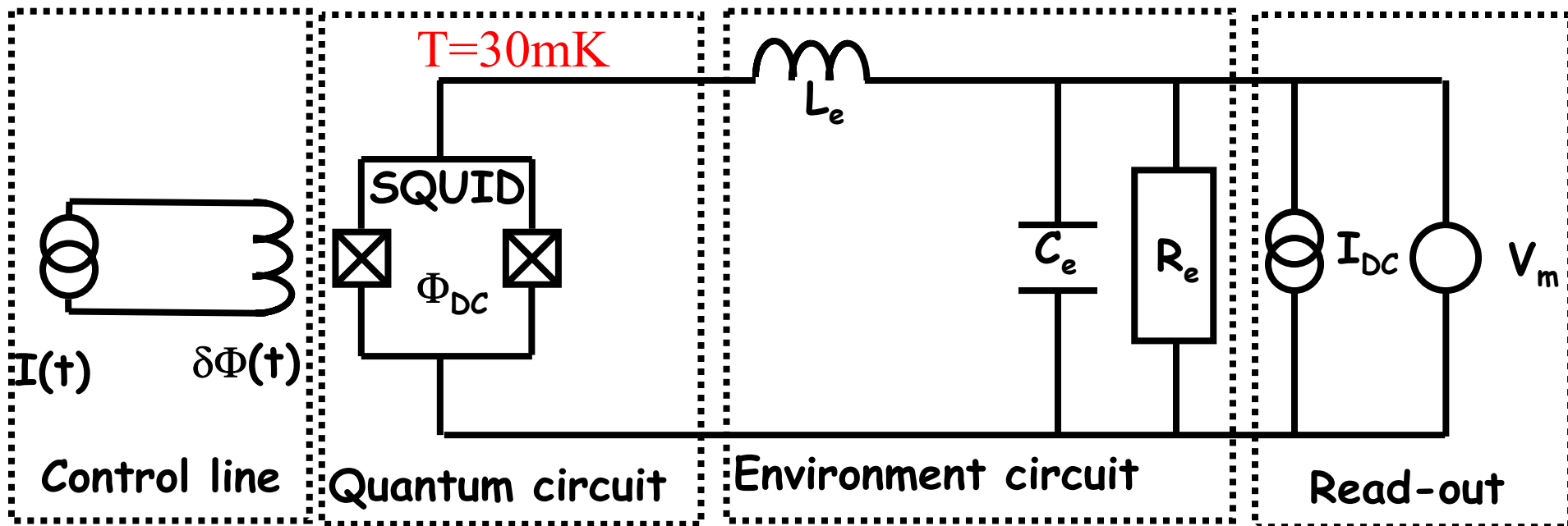


Thermal activation regime

Magnetic flux dependence



Manipulation and quantum measurements

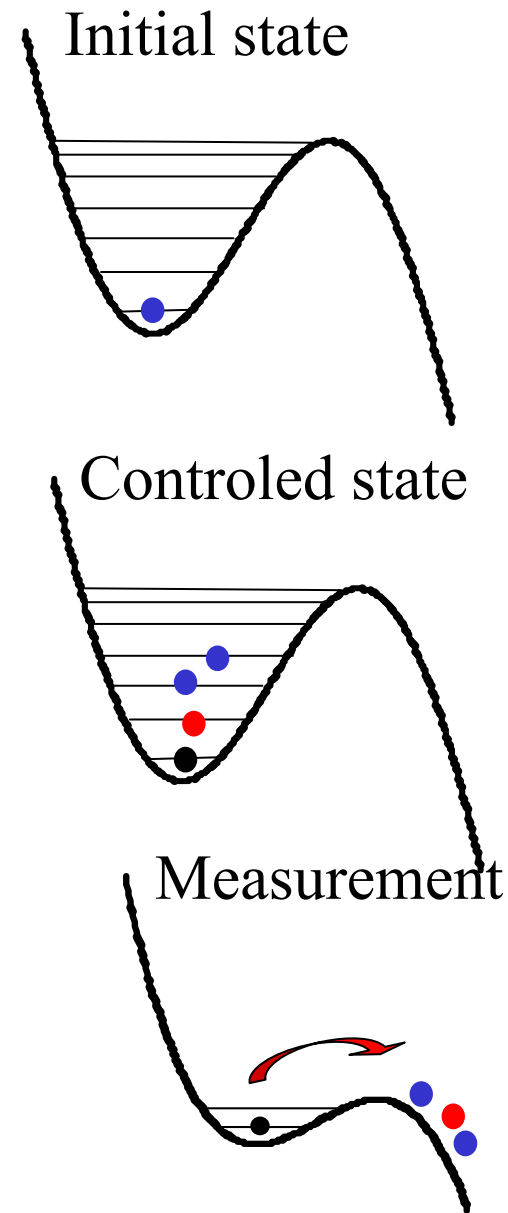
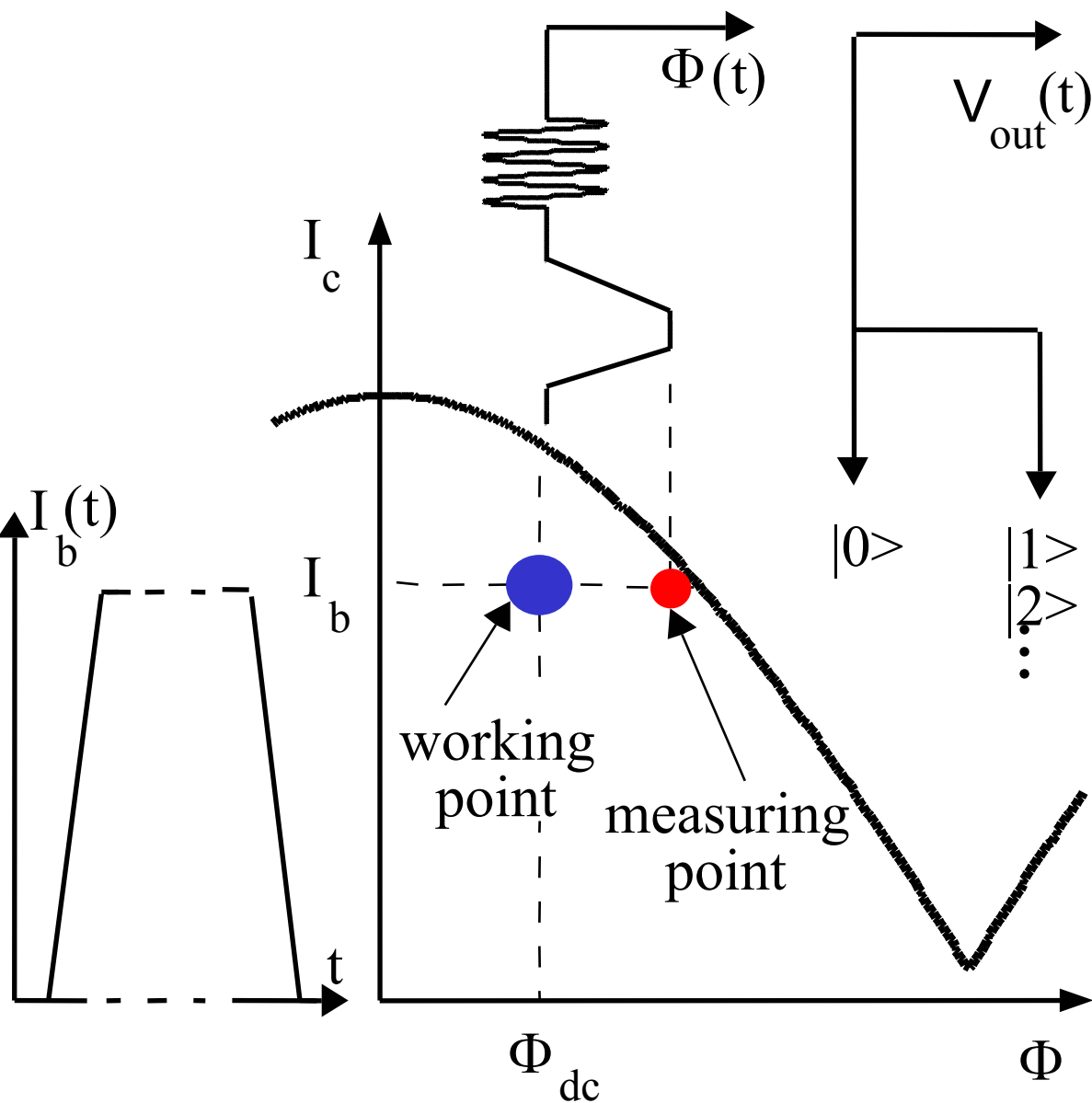


New sample:

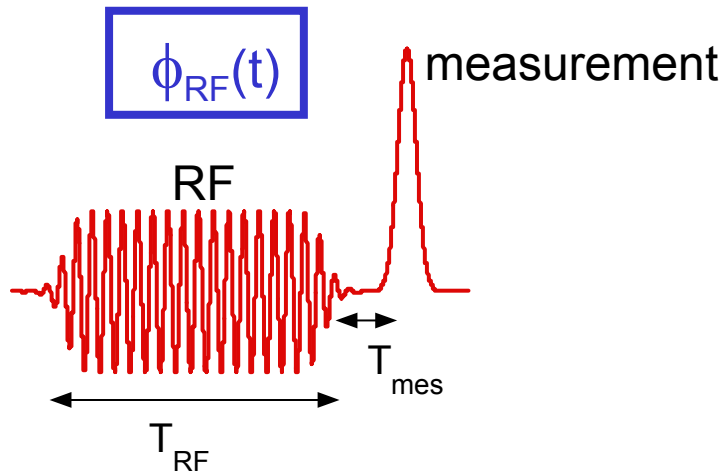
- MQT at zero-flux
- no MQT at other flux

(Presence of flux noise...)

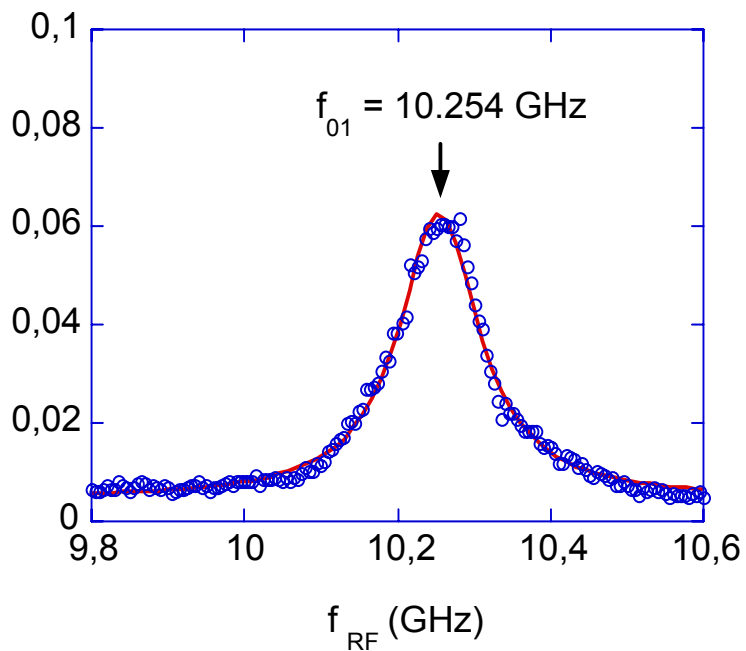
Typical experimental procedure



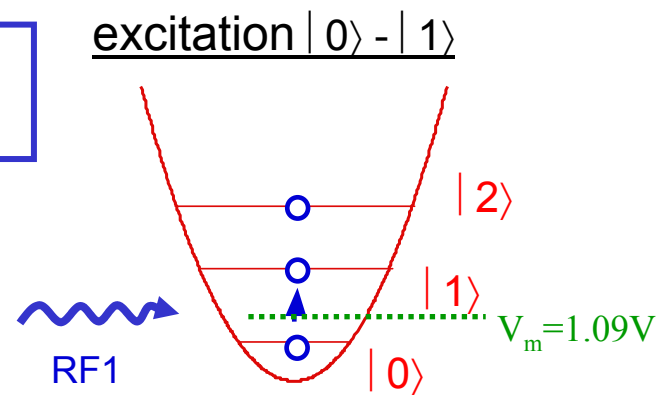
Spectroscopic measurements



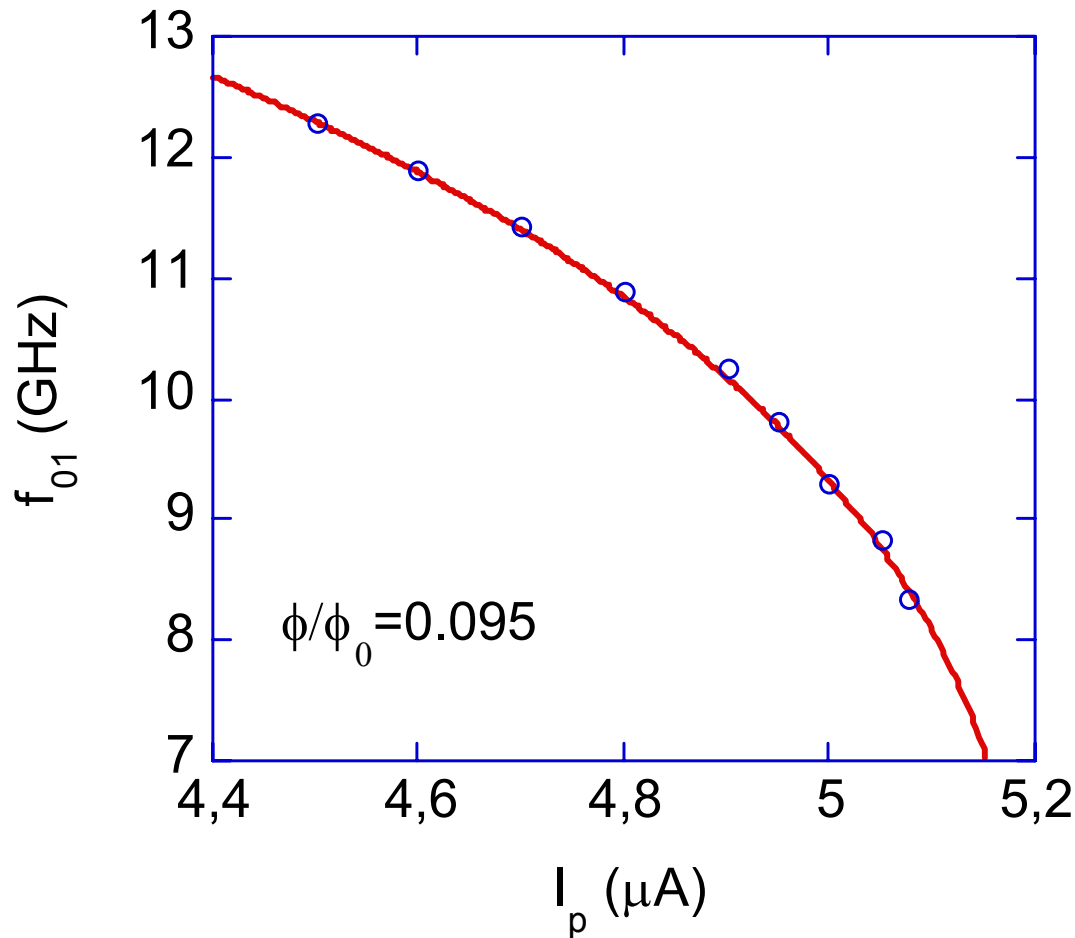
Resonant transition $|0\rangle - |1\rangle$



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 $\phi_{DC}/\phi_0 = 0.095$



f_{01} vs bias current I_p

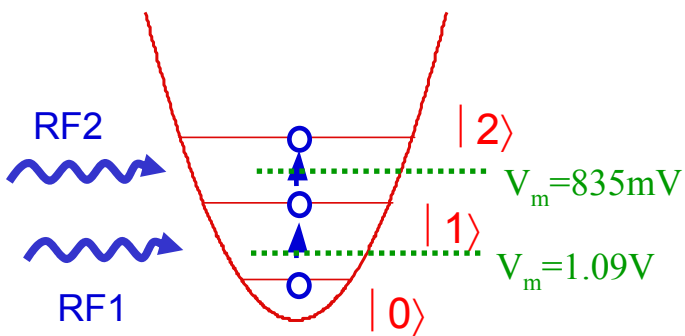


$I_0 = 3.028 \mu\text{A}$
 $I_p = 4.7 \mu\text{A}$
 $C_0 = 0.77 \text{ pF} \pm 1\%$
 $b = 1.15$
 $\eta = 0.61$
 $\phi_{\text{DC}}/\phi_0 = 0.095$

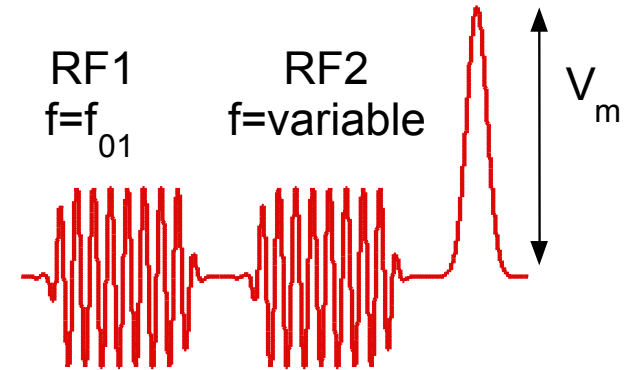
Theory : semiclassical model (Larkin86)

Two frequencies measurements

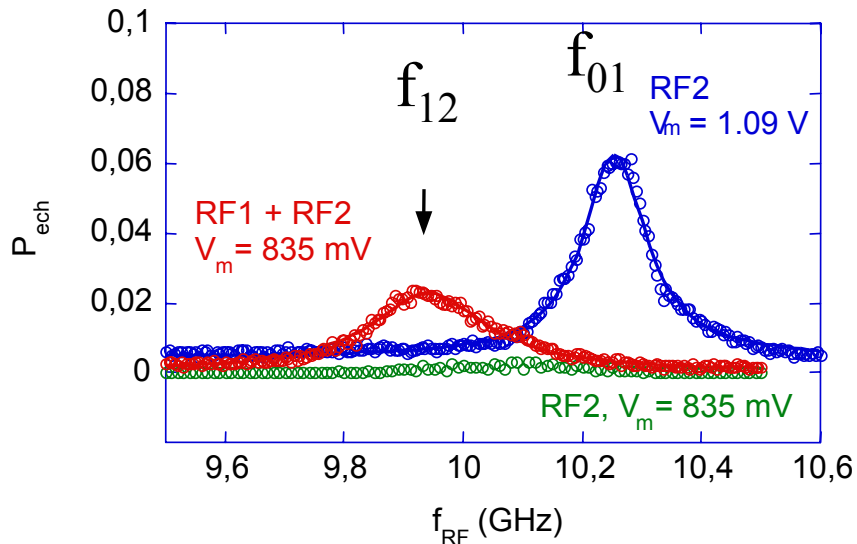
excitation $|1\rangle - |2\rangle$



measurement



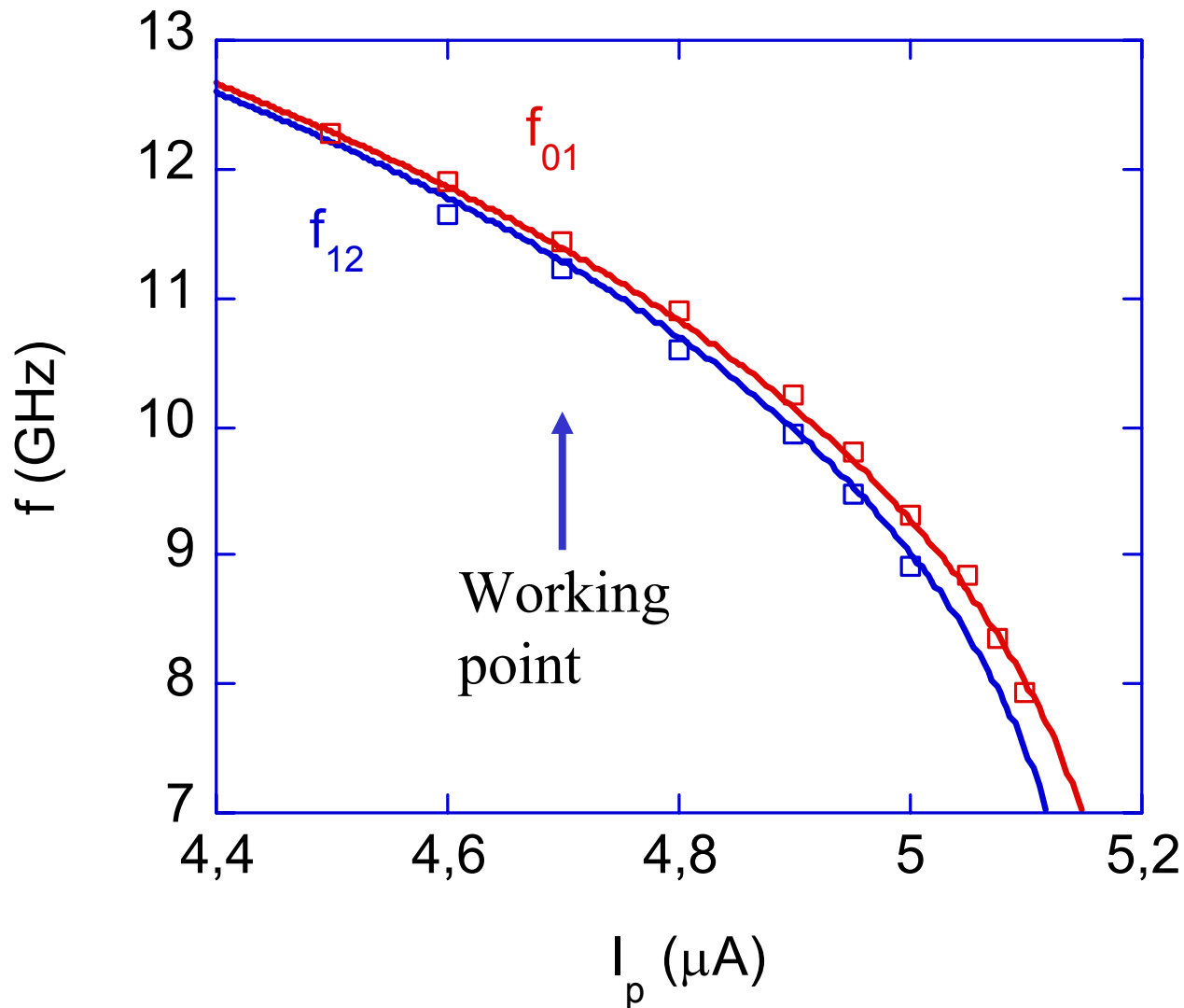
Resonant transition $|1\rangle - |2\rangle$



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f_{12} appears only when f_{01} is applied

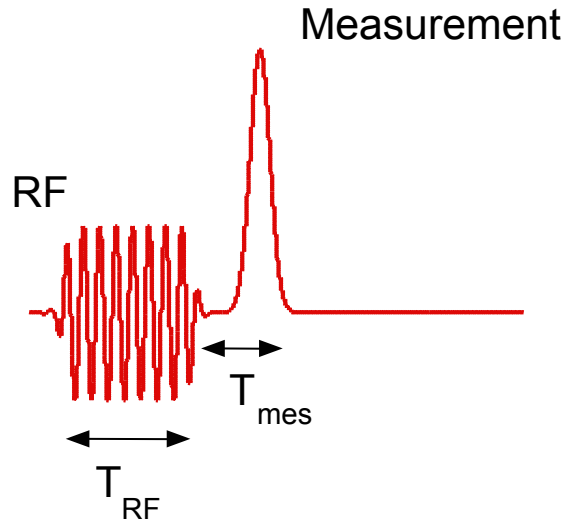
f_{01} and f_{12} vs bias current I_p



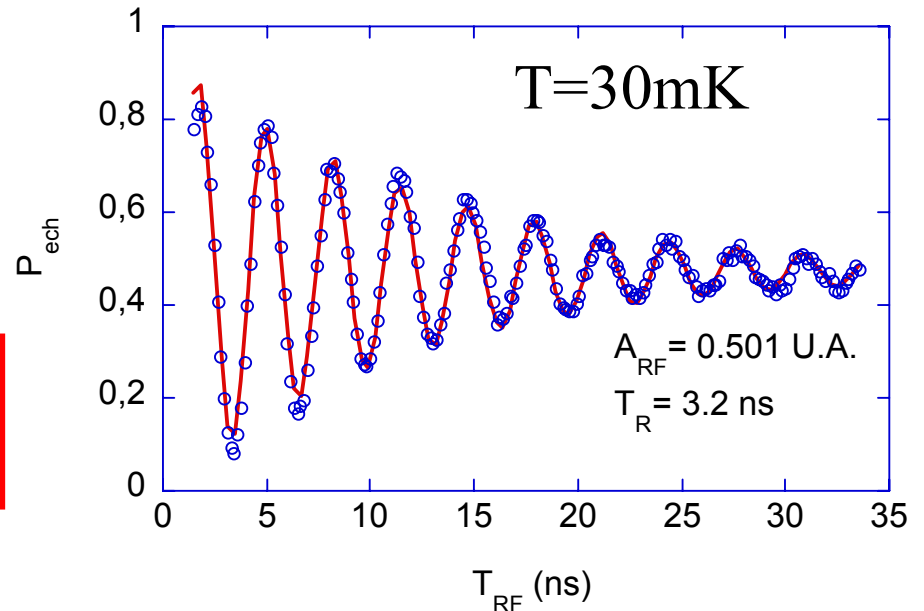
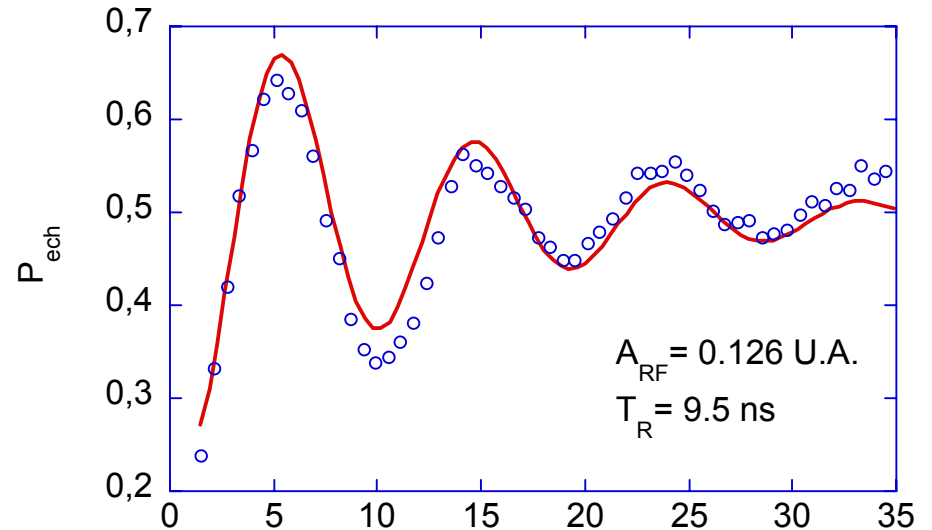
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Coherent oscillations

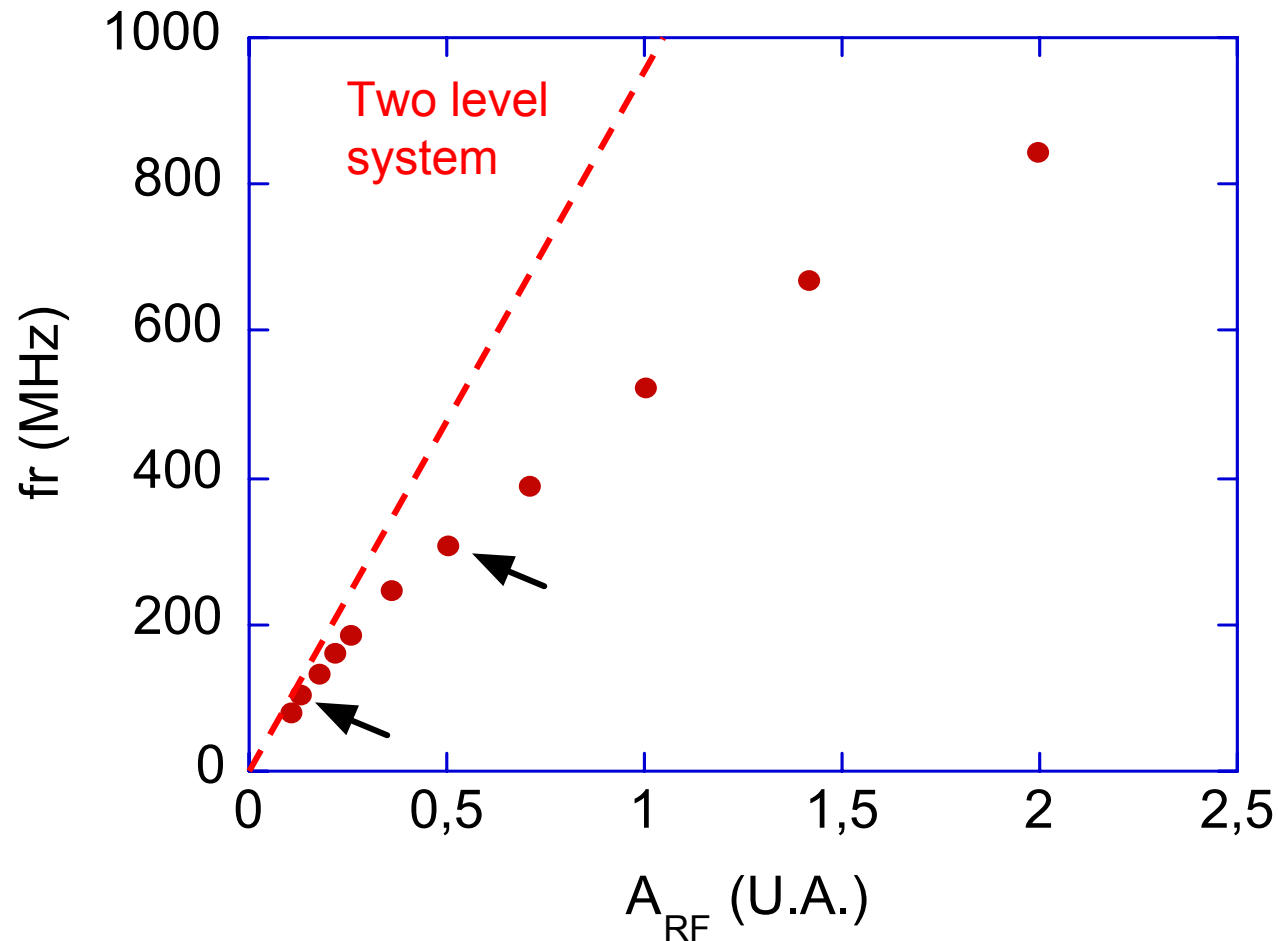


- f_{RF} matches f_{01}
- A_{RF} fixed
- T_{RF} variable, from 1 to 35 ns



- Big contrast: 80% !!
- Attenuation time = 13 ns

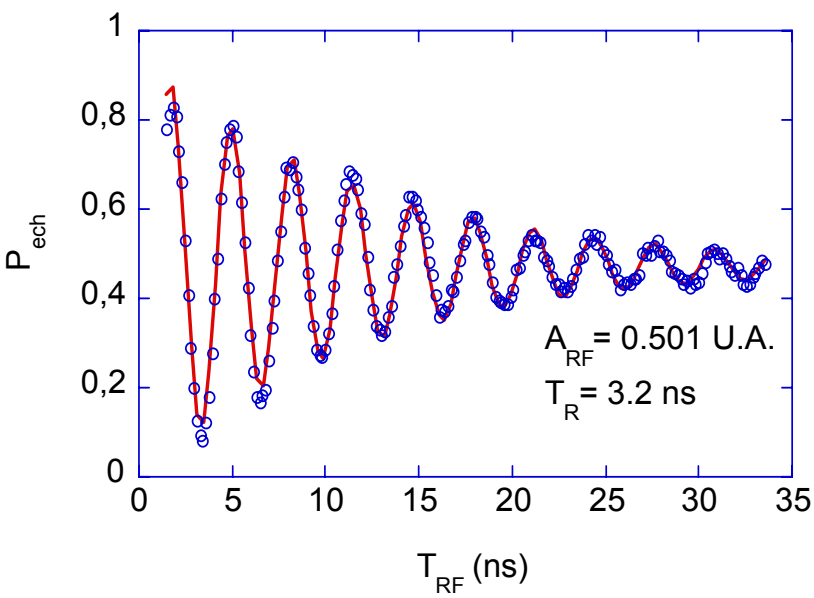
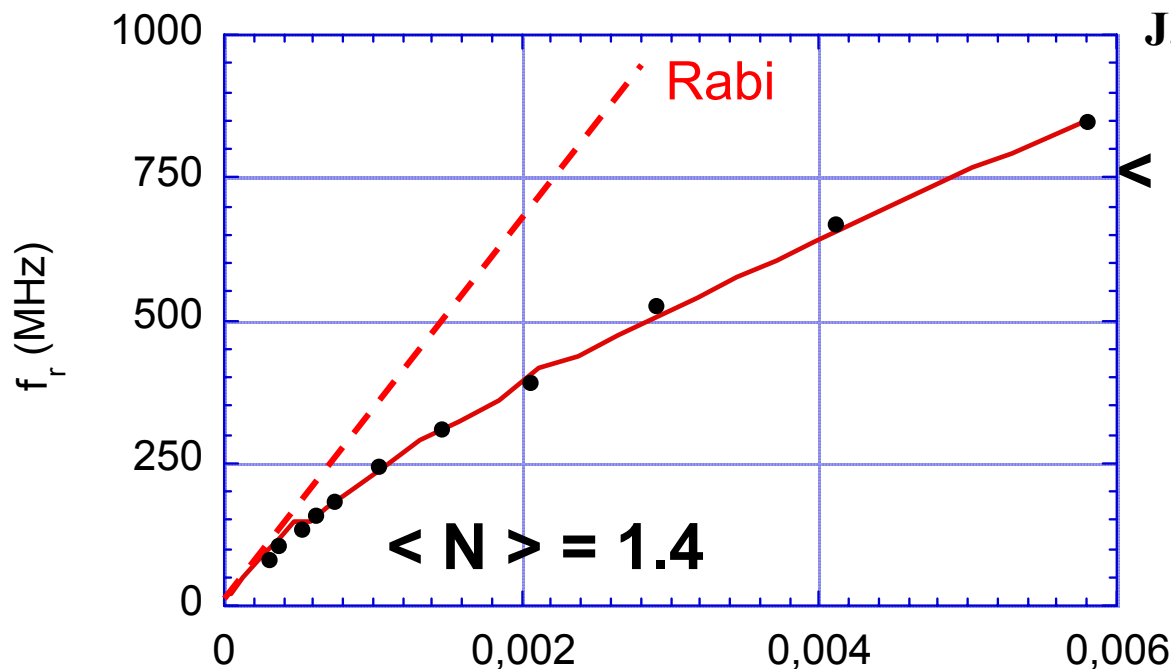
Rabi oscillations?



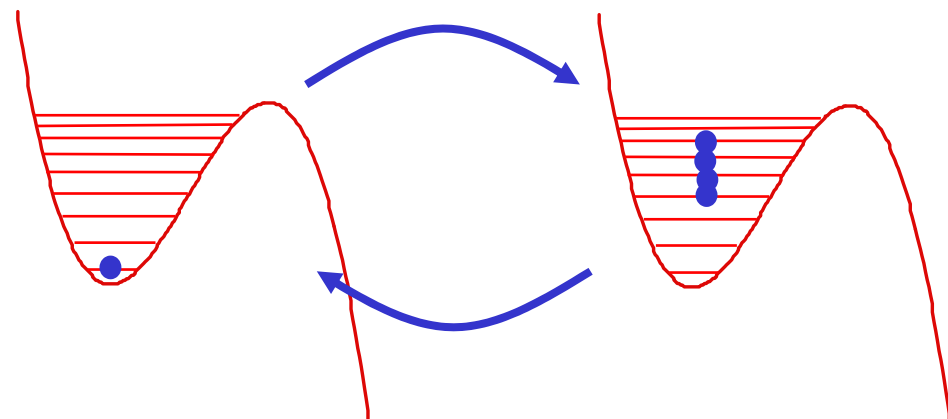
Strong deviation from a two level system

Interpretation: multi-levels oscillation

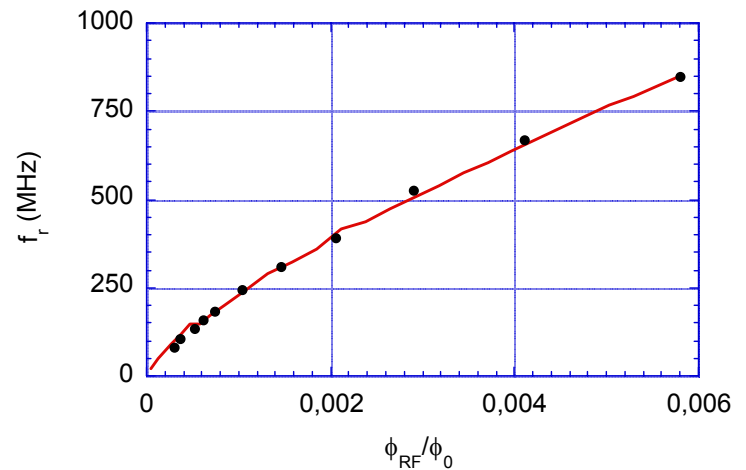
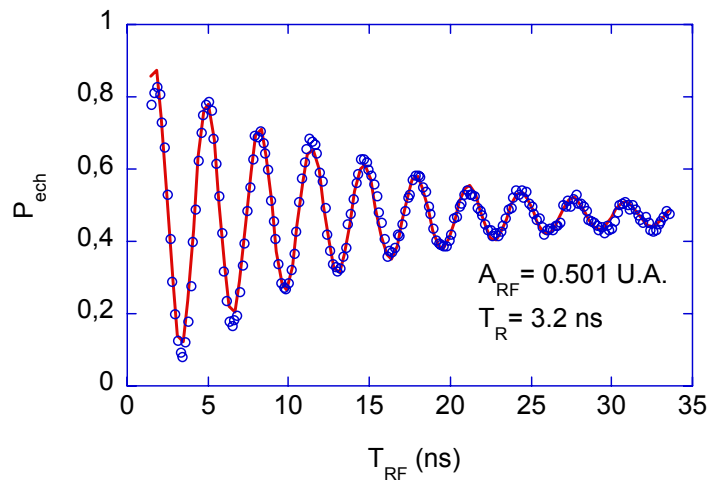
J. Claudon, submitted...



ϕ_{RF}/ϕ_0



Conclusion



New results in a dc SQUID

- MQT and TA from a 2D potential
- Observation of quantized levels
- Nanosecond measurements procedure
- Observation of coherent oscillations in a multi level quantum system