# Quantum Information Technologies with Hybrid Systems

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## Advantages of microwave

- Well established (4G, 5G) -> operable
  - easy to stabilize phase
  - economically reasonable below  $~\widetilde{}~$  10 GHz
- Easy mode matching (impedance matching) -> handy!
- Solid devices -> integrable







#### Quantum microwave at millikelvin

#### 5 GHz ×h (= 250 mK × $k_B$ ) » 10 mK × $k_B$ Quantum microwave (microwave photon)

#### 400 THz (= $10^4$ K) $\gg$ 300 K



Optical photon



Dilution refrigerator

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### Quantum integrated circuit



For details, see e.g., Devoret and Martinis, Quantum Inform. Processing **3**, 163 (2004) Macroscopic phase coherence

•Superconducting gap (>~ 100 GHz)

## Harmonic oscillator



No quantum "bit" possible

## Superconducting qubit: Josephson junction



$$H_q = \frac{Q^2}{2C} - \frac{\hbar I_0}{2e} \cos\left(2\pi \frac{\Phi}{\Phi_0}\right)$$

 $I_0$ : critical current of Junction  $\Phi_0 = h/2e$ : Flux quantum

- Point-like lumped element inductance
- Non-liner & Non dissipative inductance at a single quantum of energy (single "microwave photon")



### Superconducting qubit: Josephson junction



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### Cavity-QED



#### Microwave LC resonator



- Losses and parasitic effect in "bulky lumped element"
- Low-loss and reliable designability using planar superconductor
- 2D version of "coaxial line" (e.g. cable from wall to TV)



- Strong coupling of "macroscopic" qubit to microwave photons
- Gigantic dipole -> unprecedented parameter regime
- Manipulating and detecting single artificial atoms and single microwave photons

Wigner function of  $|0\rangle + |5\rangle$ 



M. Hofheinz et al. Nature 459, 546 (2009)

#### **CEA-Saclay**

#### CEA = Atomic Energy Comission (and Alternative Energy)



#### 20 km from Paris

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#### QUANTum electRONICS Group at CEA-Saclay



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## Spins in solids

- Very good coherence in "silent" environment (e.g., <sup>12</sup>C, <sup>28</sup>Si)
- Both microwave (spin) and optical (orbital) transitions
- Scalability, designability ?
- Control on demand ?

Complementary for superconducting circuits

#### Hybrid quantum systems

NV centers in diamond





## Coupling a single spin to a resonator

• magnetic dipole coupling constant:

$$g/2\pi = \frac{g_{\scriptscriptstyle NV}\mu_B\delta B_0}{h}$$

- Assuming 'conventional' coplanar waveguide geometry,
- Single spin coupling:
   ~ 1 10 Hz



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#### Coupling many spins to a resonator

• Coupling with N spins:

 $g_{ens} \sim \sqrt{N}g$ 

- Coupling N =  $10^{12}$  (~ $10^{18}$  cm<sup>-3</sup>) spins
- Collective coupling of  $\sim 1 10 \text{ MHz}$



$$H = \sum g_k \left( a \sigma_{k,+} + a^+ \sigma_{k,-} \right)$$

$$H = g_{ens} \left( aS^+ + a^+S^- \right)$$
  
with  $S = \sum \left( g_k(r_k) / g_{ens} \right) \sigma_{k,-}$ 

 $|1\rangle \otimes |0_1 0_2 \dots 0_n\rangle \quad \rightarrow \quad |0\rangle \otimes (g_1 |1_1 0_2 \dots 0_n\rangle + \dots + g_n |0_1 0_2 \dots 1_n\rangle)/g_{ens}$ 

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#### **STEP 1 (WRITE): the device**

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Frequency-tuning by flux

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### Setup in a dilution fridge

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#### Device characterization: spectroscopy

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#### Quantum memory: single µ-wave photon swap

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## Coupling qubit to spin ensemble: single photon swap

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Storage/retrieval of a **SINGLE microwave photon** into/from a spin ensemble

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## Related works

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#### Qubit detected ESR

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Kubo et al., PRB 86, 064514 (2012)

- Clear <sup>14</sup>N hyperfine
- Ultra-low excitation ( $\approx$ 15 spins) was detected -> 10<sup>5</sup> spins Hz<sup>-1/2</sup>

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#### Quantum-limited ESR Spectrometer

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- Full spin polarization @ 20 mK
- High Q (3 10<sup>5</sup>) resonator and large coupling ( $\sim$  50 Hz)
- Quantum-limited Josephson parametric Amplifier
  - $(T_N \sim 200 \text{ mK})$

Bienfait et al., Nature Nanotech 11, 253 (2016)

## Summary & Perspective

- Hybrid quantum circuit with a spin ensemble and superconducting circuit
  - PoC for a superconducting quantum CPU + spin ensemble quantum RAM
  - Quantum RAM operation
- Hybrid circuit as a sensitive magnetization detector
  - Single-spin microwave detection [Wang et al., Nature (2023)]

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Quantum version of...

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#### Measuring qubit states with a resonator

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## Requirements for single-shot readout

$$\mathsf{SNR} \sim \sqrt{\frac{\overline{n}\kappa}{n_N \delta B_M}}$$

- Measurement bandwidth  $\delta B_M \gtrsim 10 \text{ MHz}$
- Resonator leak:  $\kappa \leq 10 \text{ MHz}$
- Low power of the readout pulse:  $\overline{n} \sim 10$  photons  $\equiv \leq fW$
- Small noise from the amplifier:  $n_N \sim 1 \ (\equiv \leq 250 \text{ mK})$

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Noiseless (quantum-limited) microwave amplifier needed!!

## Commercial cryogenic amplifier

#### Low Noise Factory (http://www.lownoisefactory.com)

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- Cryogenic HEMT (high electron mobility transistor) amplifier
- $T_N \approx 3 \text{ K} \gg \hbar \omega / k_B = 250 \text{ mK}$
- 1-10 mW dissipation  $\gg {\sim}100~\mu{\rm W}$
- How to implement a quantumlimited amplifier at microwave frequency at millikelvin? (hopefully without much dissipation)

### State-of-the-art: Josephson parametric amplifier

- Josephson junction: Non-linear & nondissipative inductance
- Quantum limited noise
- Wideband ( $\sim < 1 \text{ GHz}$ )
- Versatile superconducting quantum technology

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**Fig. 1. Josephson traveling-wave parametric amplifier.** (**A**) Circuit diagram. The JTWPA is implemented as a nonlinear lumped-element transmission line; one unit cell consists of a Josephson junction with critical current  $I_0 = 4.6 \,\mu$ A and intrinsic capacitance  $C_J = 55 \,\text{fF}$  with a capacitive shunt to ground  $C = 45 \,\text{fF}$ . Every third unit cell includes a lumped-element resonator designed with capacitance  $C_r = 6 \,\text{pF}$  and inductance  $L_r = 120 \,\text{pH}$ , with coupling strength set by a capacitor  $C_c = 20 \,\text{fF}$ . The value of *C* in the resonator-loaded cell is reduced to compensate for the addition of  $C_c$ . (**B**) False-color optical micrograph. The coloring corresponds to the inset in (A), with the lower metal layer shown in gray. (**C**) Photograph of a 2037 junction JTWPA. The line is meandered several times on the 5 mm by 5 mm chip to achieve the desired amplifier gain.

Macklin et al., Science 350, 307 (2015).

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### Paramp as microwave quantum technology

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Liu et al., Science **347**, 285 (2015) Mi et al., Nature **555**, 599 (2018) Eichler et al., PRL **118**, 037701 (2017) Bienfait et al., Nature Nano **11**, 253 (2016) Probst et al., APL **111**, 202604 (2017)

Clark et al., Nature **541**, 191 (2017) Satzinger et al., Nature **563**, 661 (2018) Noguchi et al., PRL **119**, 180505 (2017)

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## Drawbacks of Josephson parametric amplifier

- Limited dynamic range (currently reported: -100 dBm = 0.1 pW)
  -> readout ONLY 20
  qubits simultaneously (5 qubits so far)
- Inoperable under (moderate) magnetic fields

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## Summary of microwave amplifier for qu-technologies

- Necessary to operate at millikelvin without adding noise without dissipating too much power for the fridge
- The only solution (to date): Josephson parametric amplifer (JPA)

# Is it really true?

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## Stimulated emission

- Maser (Microwave amplification by stimulated emission of radiation)
- Population inversion (negative temperature)
- Intensively studied in 1950's 60's but left behind due to
- birth of laser
- low temperature operation (useless for CLASSICAL information technologies)

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First prototype ammonia maser and inventor Charles H. Townes. The ammonia nozzle is at left in the box, the four brass rods at center is the quadrupole state selector, and the resonant cavity is at right. The 24 GHz microwaves exit through the vertical waveguide Townes is adjusting. At bottom are the vacuum pumps.

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## How maser can be good ?

![](_page_43_Picture_1.jpeg)

A.E. Siegman, "Microwave Solid-state Masers" McGraw-Hill (1964)

#### Maser noise figures

The low-temperature operation of the maser is in part a virtue in that it is at least partly responsible for the major virtue of the maser amplifier its extraordinarily low noise figure. In discussing ultralow noise figures, it is most convenient to discuss not the noise figure F as conventionally defined, but rather the equivalent excess input noise temperature  $T_a$  of the amplifier. This noise temperature is related to the conventional noise figure F by the equation

$$F = 1 + T_a/290^{\circ} \text{K}$$
 (1-2-1)

Using this notation, typical masers have noise temperatures of the same order as their operating temperature, or about 4°K. The noise figure is then  $F \sim 1.01$ , or a few one-hundredths of a decibel.

Two reasons can be given for this extremely low noise figure. In the first place, the maser contains none of the usual noise-generating elements found in conventional amplifiers—no d-c currents, hot cathodes, or shot noise. The only noise source in the maser is thermal noise. Secondly,

#### Quantum-limited microwave amplifier possible by maser!?

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## Laser (Maser) principle

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- $N_i$ : atom (spin) population on level  $|i\rangle$
- $\Gamma_{\wp}$ : pump rate
- $\gamma_{ij}$ : decay rate from  $|i\rangle$  to  $|j\rangle$
- $\overline{W}B_{21}$ : stimulated emission (absorption) rate ( $\overline{W}$ : mode energy density,  $B_{21}$ : Einstein's coefficient)
- n: photons in the cavity,  $\kappa$ : cavity leak rate

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#### The spins: defect in diamond

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## Four-spin flip-flop process in nitrogen centers

(-1/2,1)

- Four-spin flip-flop process (cross-relaxation): two central spins' flips "up (down)"
   = one spin on each satellite flips "down (up)"
- $\bullet$  Measured to be ~10 ms
- Claimed could be used to generate inversion by pumping central line (reported, but data not shown)

#### Cross Relaxation Studies in Diamond\*

P. P. SOROKIN, G. J. LASHER, AND I. L. GELLES Research Laboratory, International Business Machines Corporation, Poughkeepsie, New York (Received December 18, 1959)

 $(m_s = \frac{1}{2}, m_T = 1)$ (1/2, 0) (1/2,-1) FIG. 1. Electron spin resonance energy level diagram for nitrogen diamond centers in  $(H_0 \| [100])$  showing the four spin flip mechanism through which cross-relaxation proceeds. The hyperfine splitting is  $(-\frac{1}{2}, -1)$ 94.2 Mc/sec. (-1/2. 0)

Sorokin et al., Phys. Rev. **118** (1960).

#### Loop-gap microwave resonator

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fr = 6.25 GHzQext = 750Qint = 2500

Ball et al., Appl. Phys. Lett. 112 204102 (2018)

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#### Setup photos

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#### Setup

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#### P1 maser amplifier

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## Summary and perspectives

- Maser amplifier at millikelvin temperature by means of P1 centers in diamond
- (Near-)quantum-limited noise and huge dynamic range ->Potentially very useful for microwave quantum technologies:
  - functionable under magnetic field
- Narrow bandwidth due to resonator
- Traveling-wave geometry with ruby

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## On-going projects at OIST

- Quantum microwave-optical photon transducer with spins in diamond
- Spin ensemble quantum memory for superconducting qubits

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• Spin-based ultra-low noise microwave amplifier

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### Hybrid Quantum Device Team

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