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# Loss Mechanisms on Superconducting Quantum Devices and Microwave Microscopy for Probing Superconducting Devices Metrology

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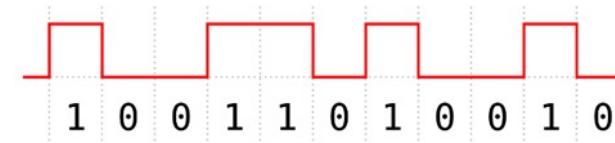
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# Classical vs. Quantum computing

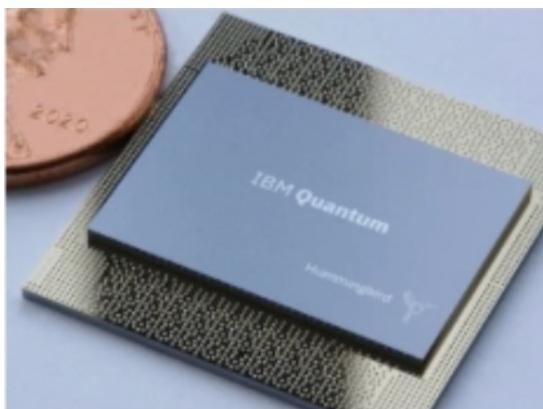
- Classical computing utilizes two voltage levels for computations (bits)



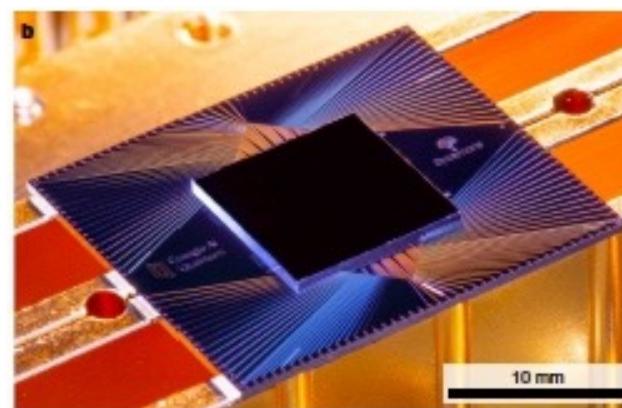
- Quantum superpositions can be used to speed up certain computations

$$\Psi = \alpha |0\rangle + \beta |1\rangle$$

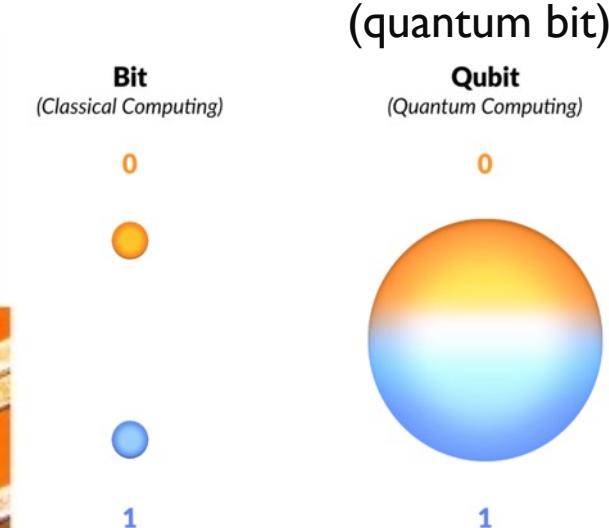
Superconducting quantum systems



IBM chip



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# Different Types of Superconducting Qubit

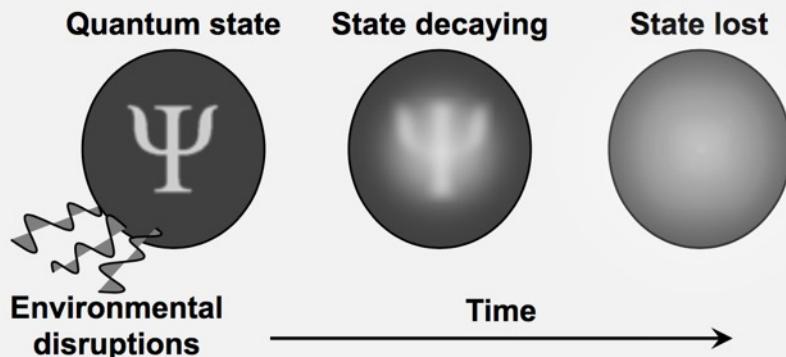
Remarkable improvement in T1 and T2

--- Materials

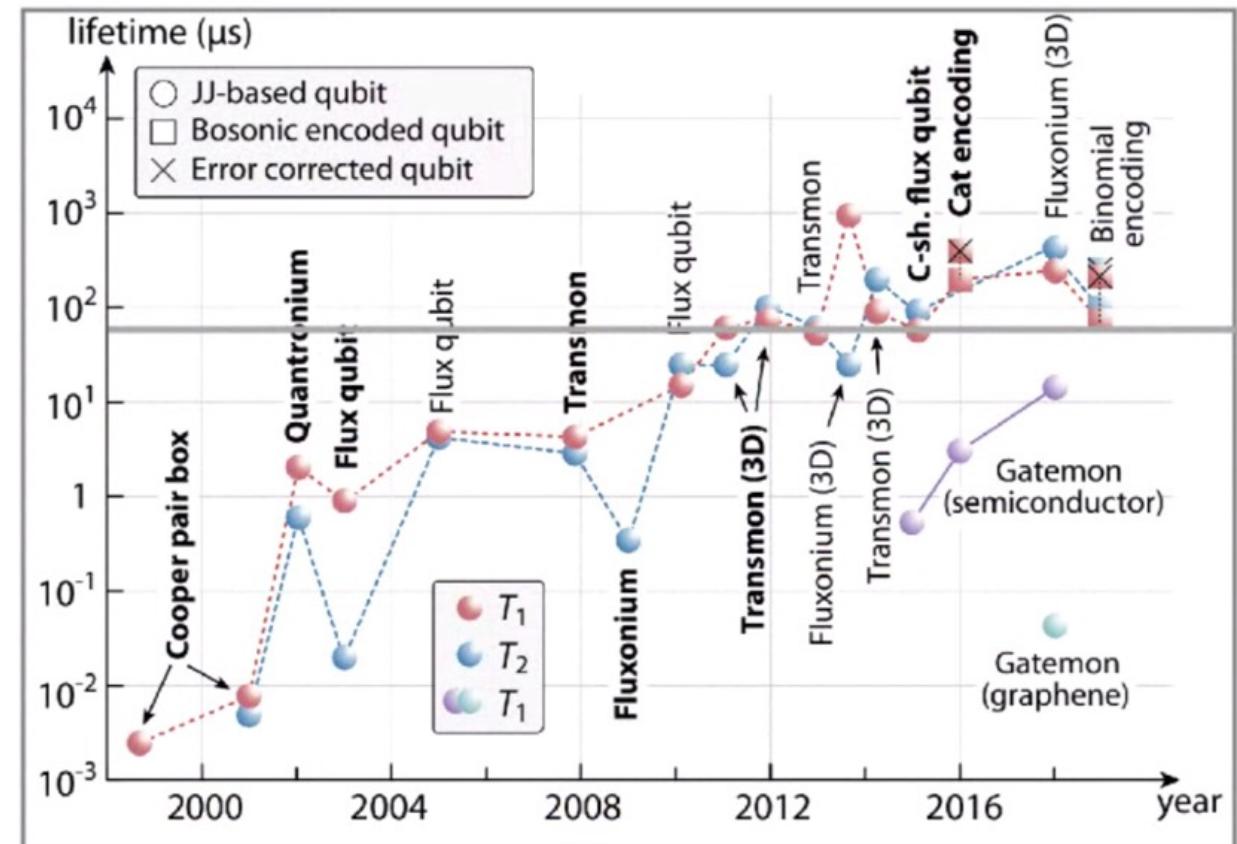
--- Design

--- Fabrication

**Coherence time  $t_{coh}$ : The qubit's lifetime**



Moore's law for  $T_2$



$$\frac{1}{T_2} = \frac{1}{2T_1} + \frac{1}{T_\phi}$$

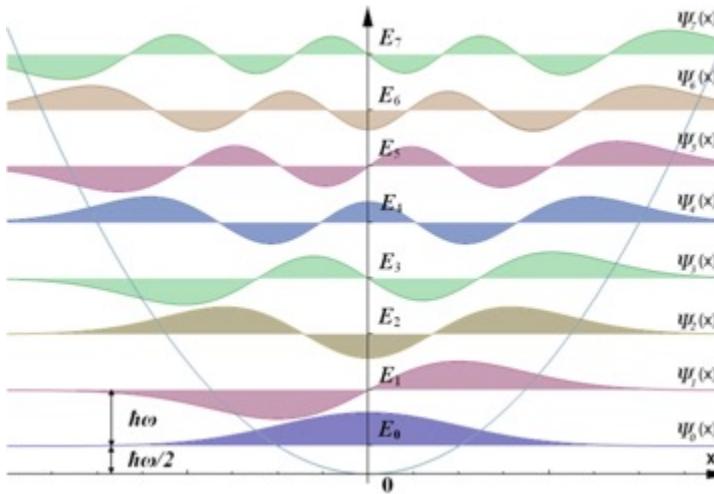
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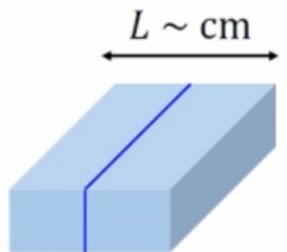
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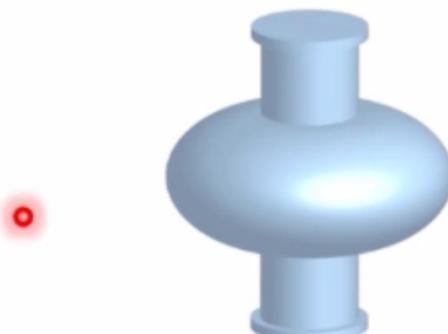
# Harmonic Resonators



## 3D types of Cavities



Ep In/Al rectangular TE110

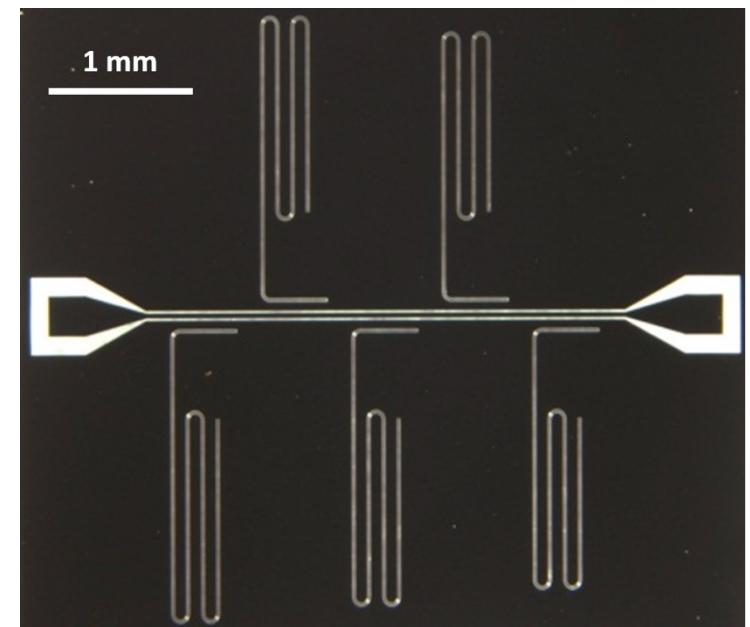


Al stub  $\lambda/4$    Nb stub  $\lambda/4$  [2]

Nb TESLA TM010 [1]

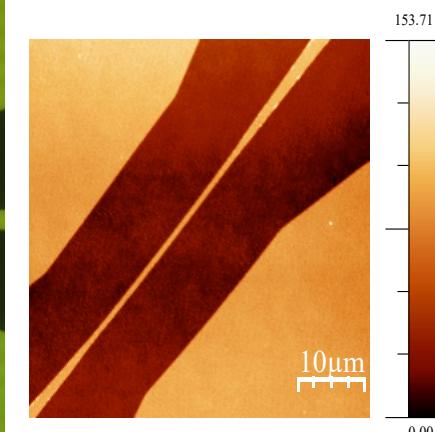
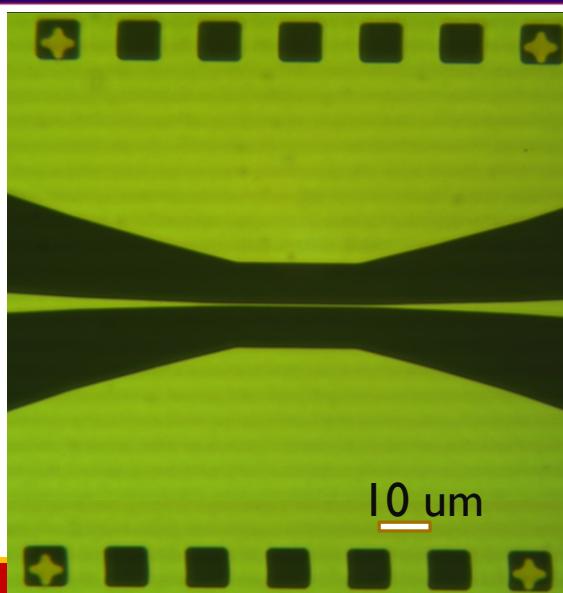
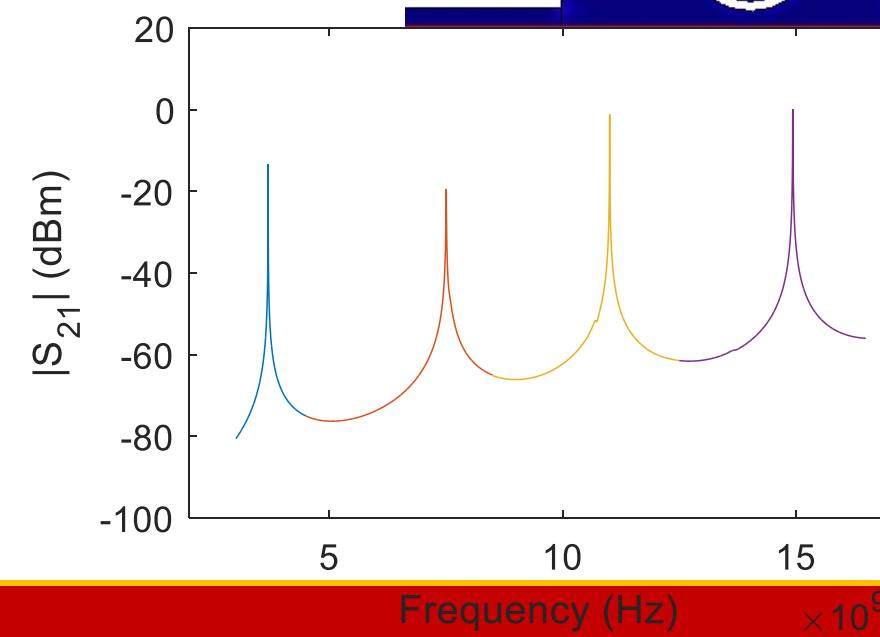
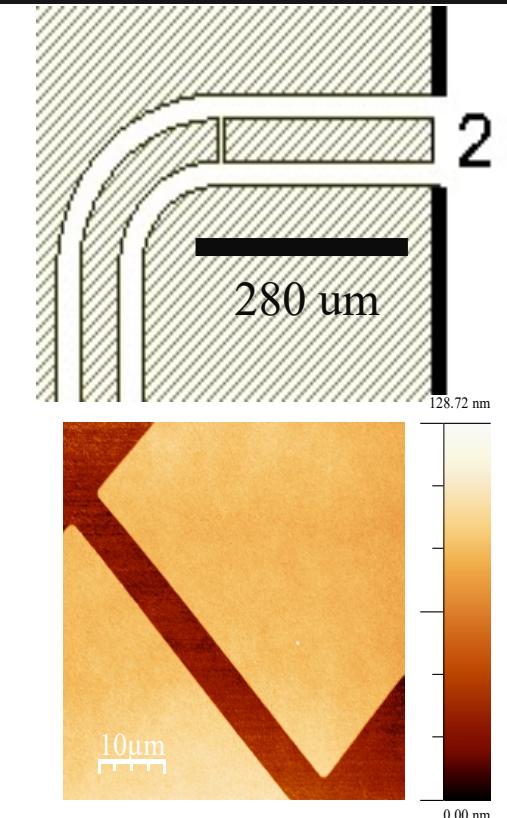
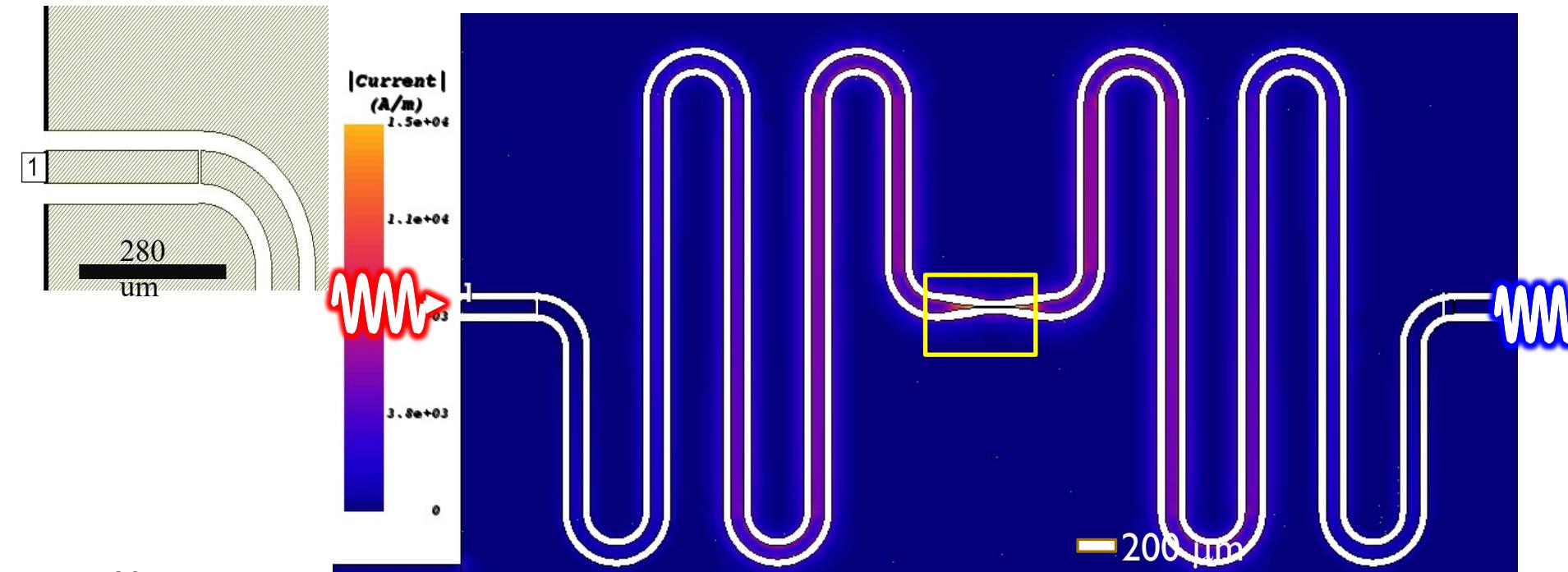
$$E_n = (n + \frac{1}{2})\hbar\omega$$

## Planar types of Cavities

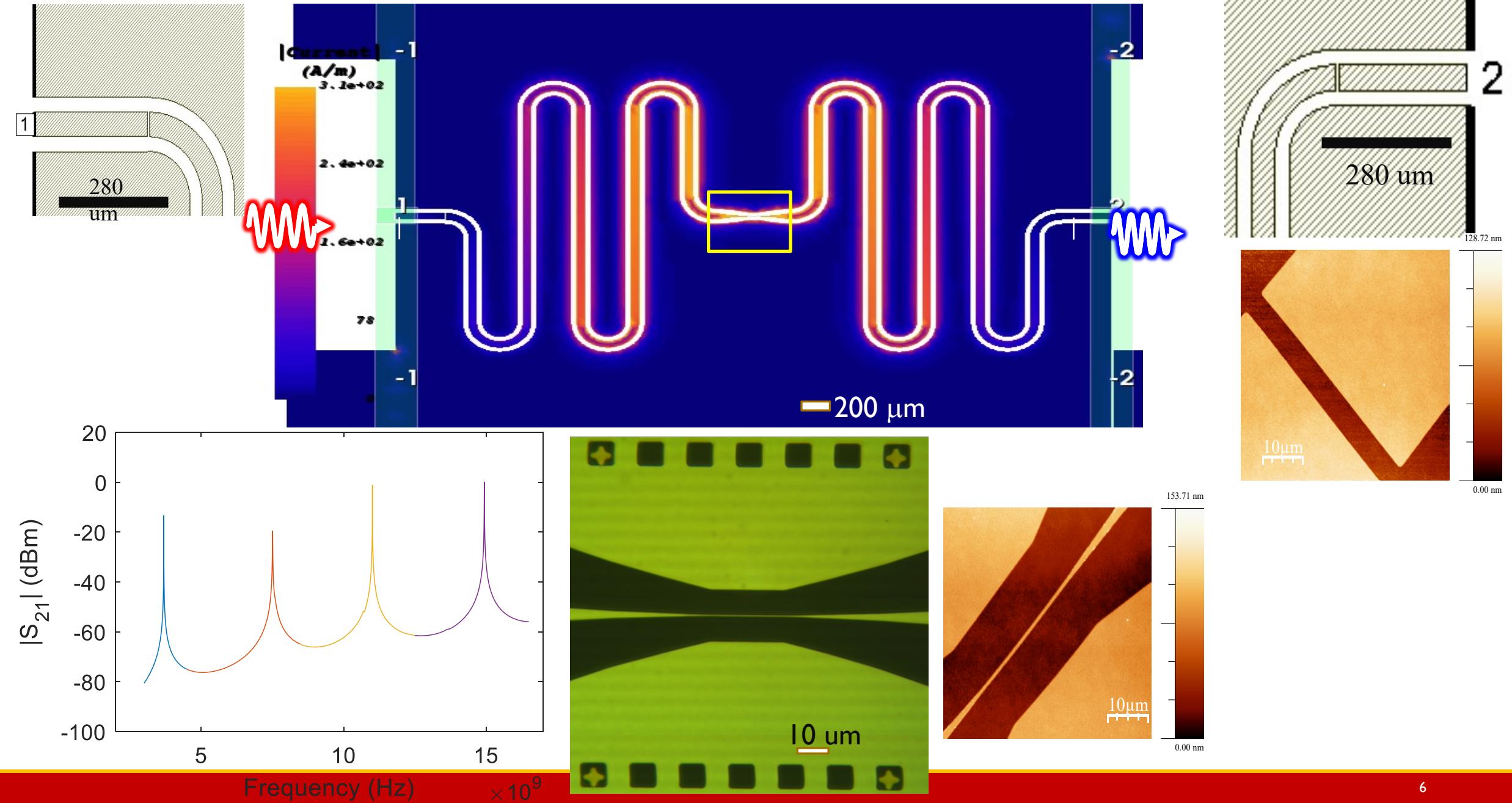


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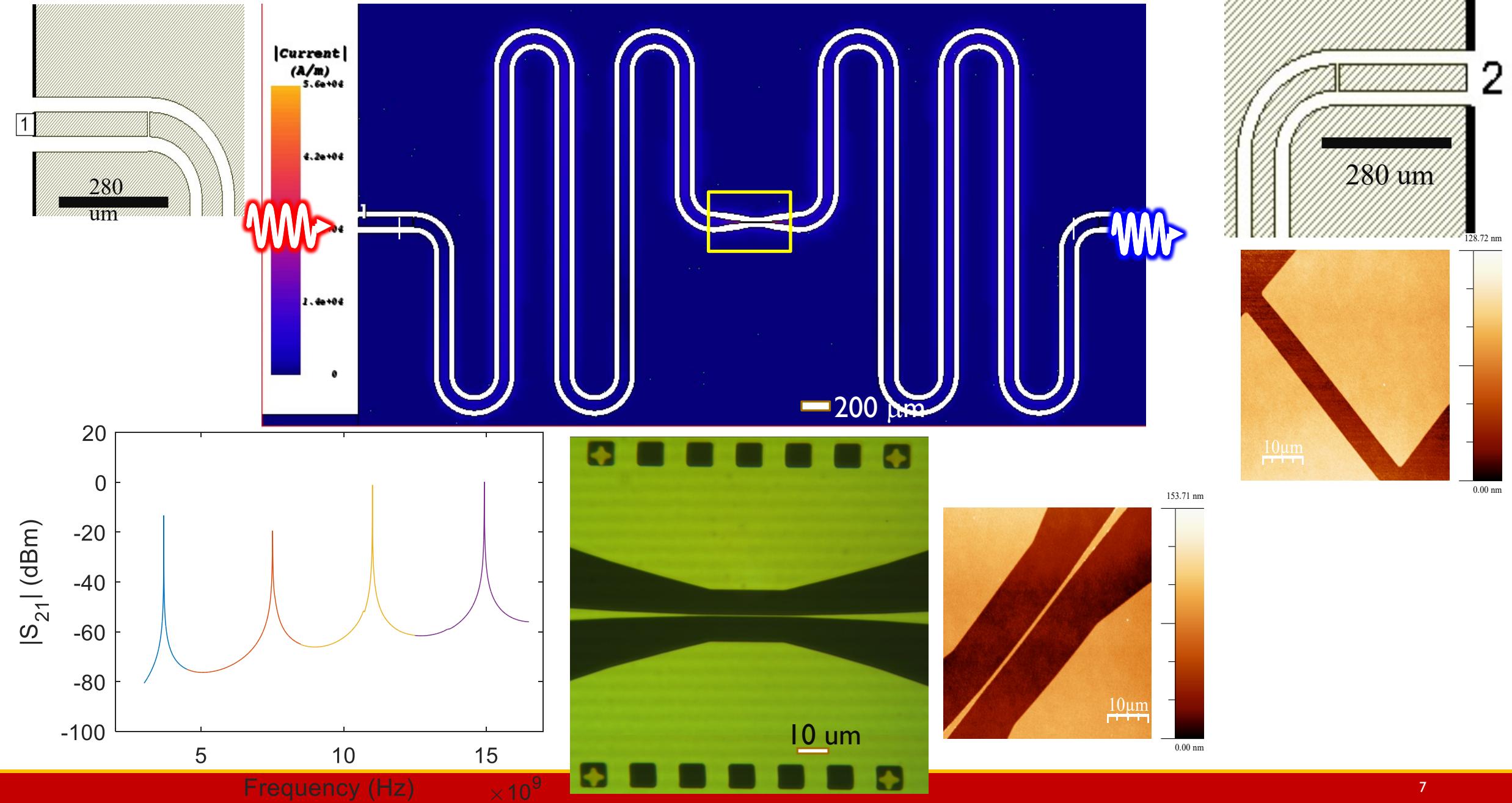
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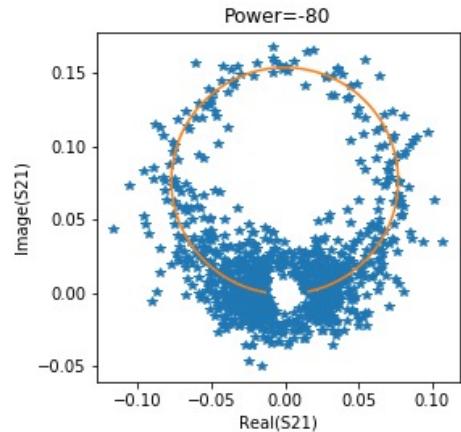
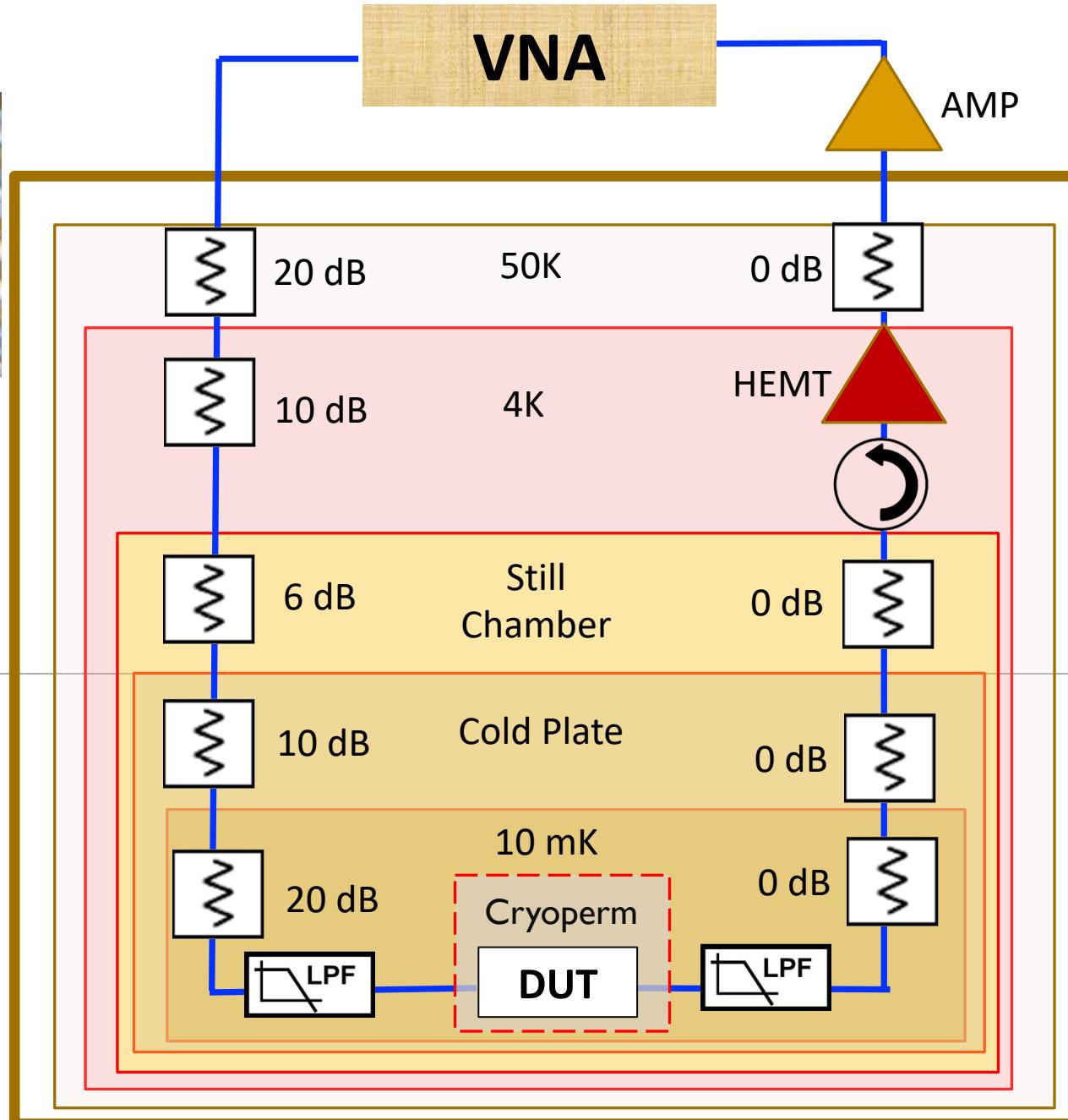
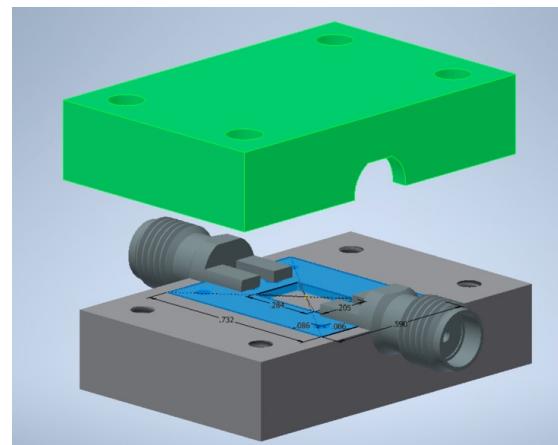


# Packaging and System Setup

**Indium GND**



**Packaging**



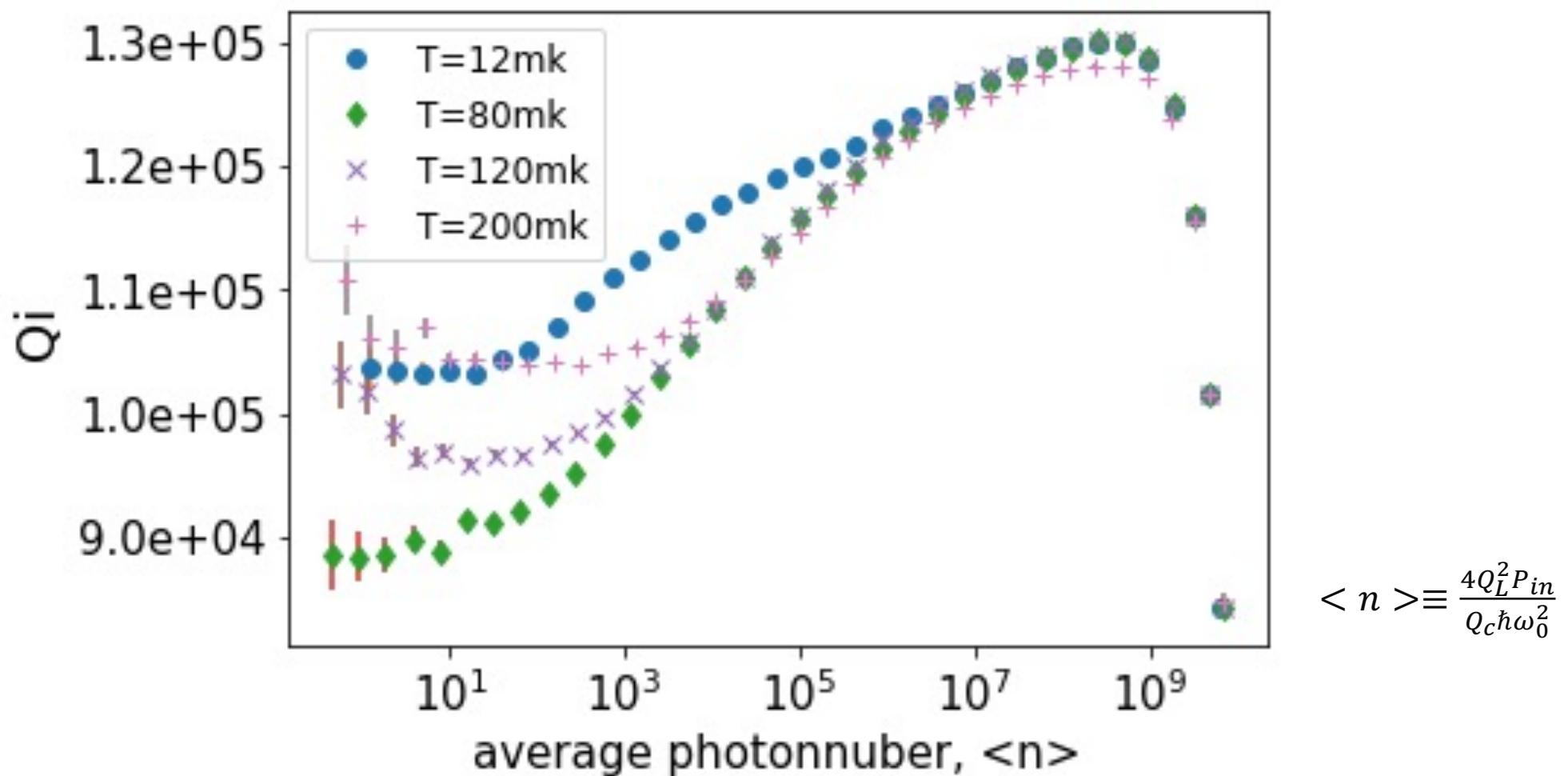
$$S_{21}(f) = |S_{21,in}| |S_{21,out}| * \left( \frac{Q_L/Q_c}{1+2iQ_L\left(\frac{f-f_r}{f_r}\right)} + c_0 \right)$$

$\Rightarrow Q_L$  and  $Q_c$

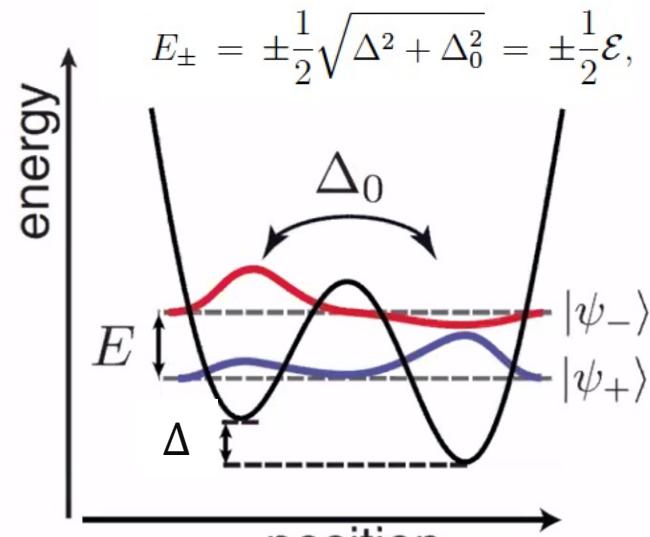
$$\frac{1}{Q_L} = \frac{1}{Q_i} + \frac{1}{Q_c}$$

$Q_c \sim 7e5$   
 $Q_L \sim Q_i$

# Measurement Results

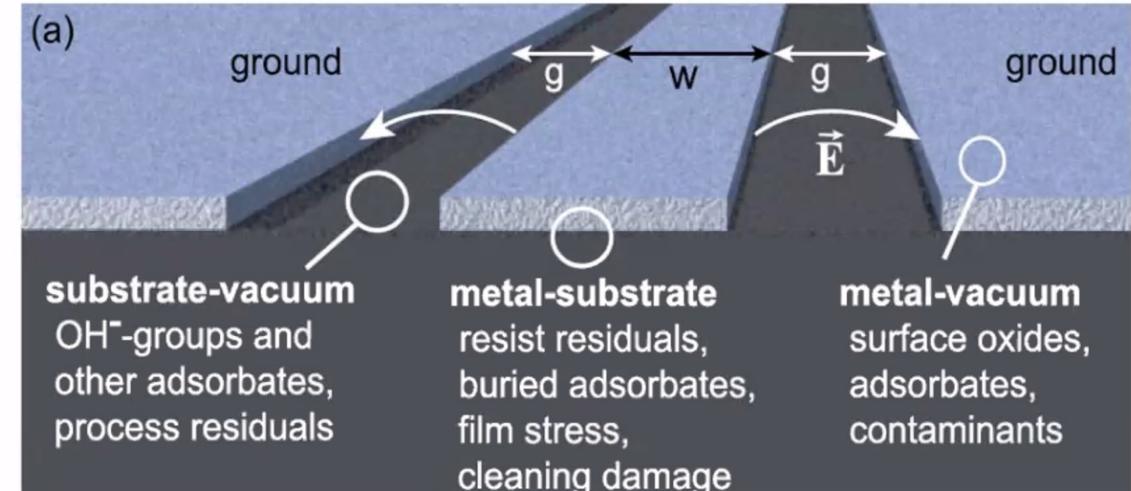


# Two Level System Losses



Schematic of a Two Level System<sup>2</sup>

$$H_{TLS} = \begin{pmatrix} -\Delta & \Delta_0 \\ \Delta_0 & \Delta \end{pmatrix}$$

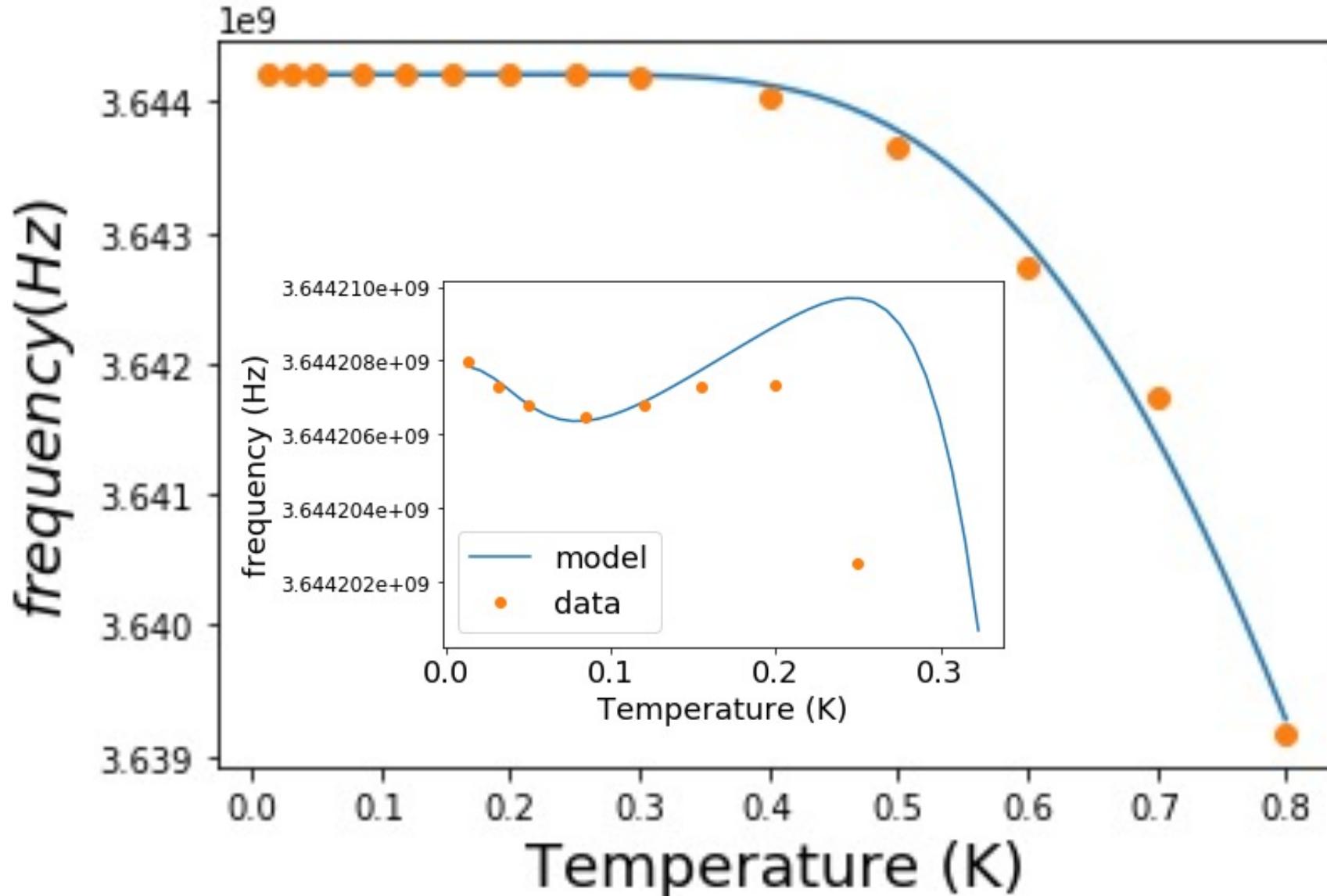


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- Sources of TLS
  - 1. Defects present in dielectrics at the metal/substrate/vacuum interface
  - 2. Primarily associated with oxide layer/OH<sup>-</sup> groups/chemical residues

# Contribution of TLS and Thermal Quasi Particles

$$\frac{f-f_n}{f_n} = F * \frac{\tan\delta}{\pi} \left\{ \operatorname{Re} \left[ \Psi \left( 0.5 - \frac{hf}{2\pi j k_b T} \right) \right] - \ln \left( \frac{hf}{k_b T} \right) \right\} - \frac{\alpha}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\pi \Delta_{s0}}{2k_b T}} \exp \left( -\frac{\Delta_{s0}}{k_b T} \right)$$



$$\alpha = \frac{L_k}{L_k + L_{geo}}$$

Fitting	Value
$\Delta_{s0}$ ( μeV)	174.03 μ eV
$\alpha$	0.0185
$F$	0.32
$\tan\delta$	2e-5 (sapphire)
$f_n$ (GHz)	3.644

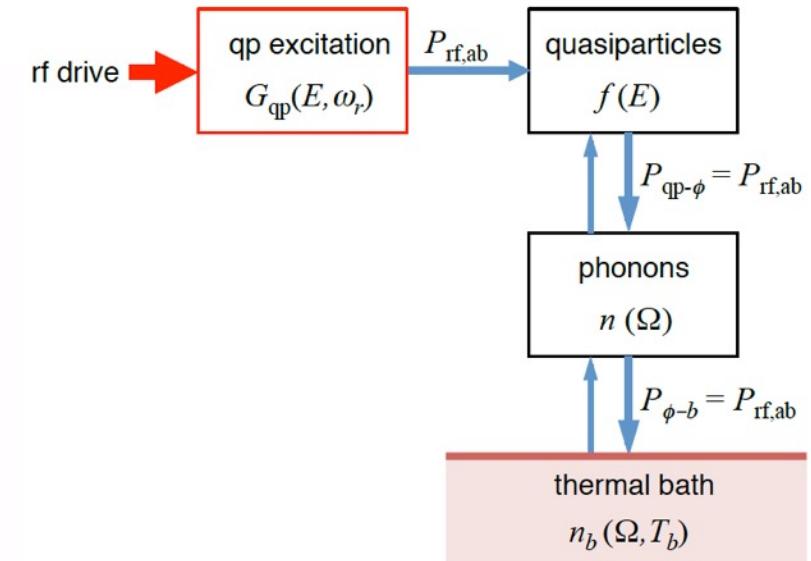
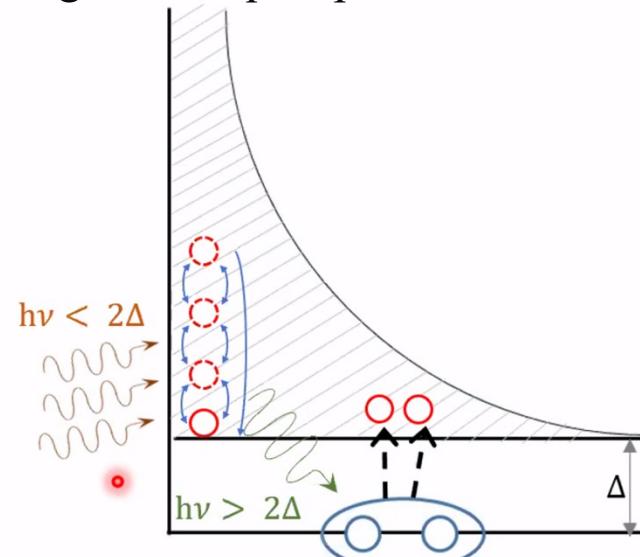
# Contribution of Nonequilibrium Quasiparticles and Others

$\Delta$  - superconducting energy gap



$E > 2\Delta$  breaks a Cooper pair forming 2 quasiparticles giving dissipation

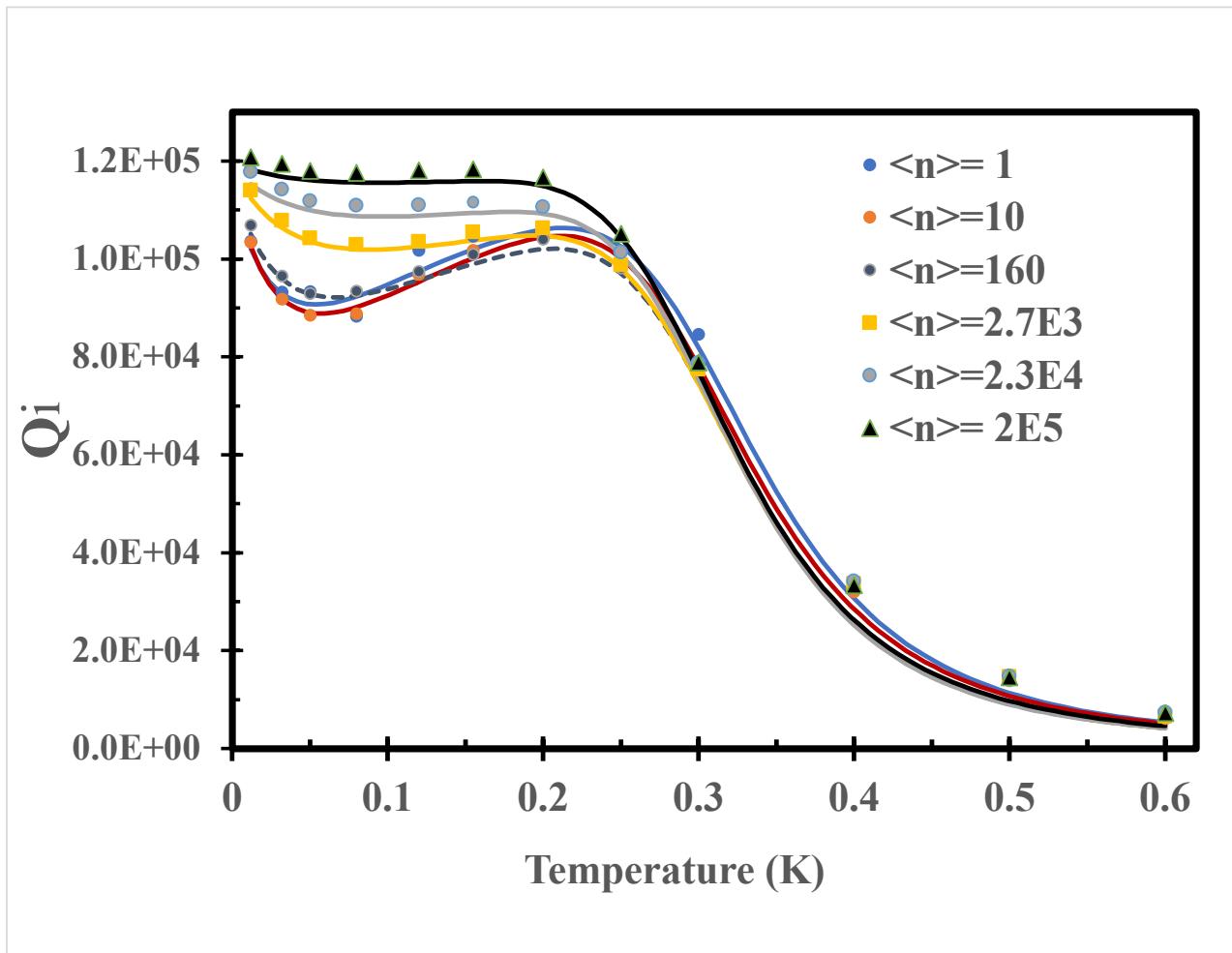
Multi photon  $h\nu < 2\Delta$  also generate quasiparticles



$$\frac{1}{Q_i} = \frac{1}{Q_{TLS}(T, E)} + \frac{1}{Q_{QP}(T, E)} + \frac{1}{Q_{vortices}(B)} + \frac{1}{Q_{rad}(w)}$$



# Temperature Dependent Qi



$$\delta_{TLS} = \frac{\delta_{TLS}^0 \tanh\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2k_B T}\right)}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{A}{T} \tanh\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2k_B T}\right)}}$$

$$T_1 \sim \tanh\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2k_B T}\right)$$

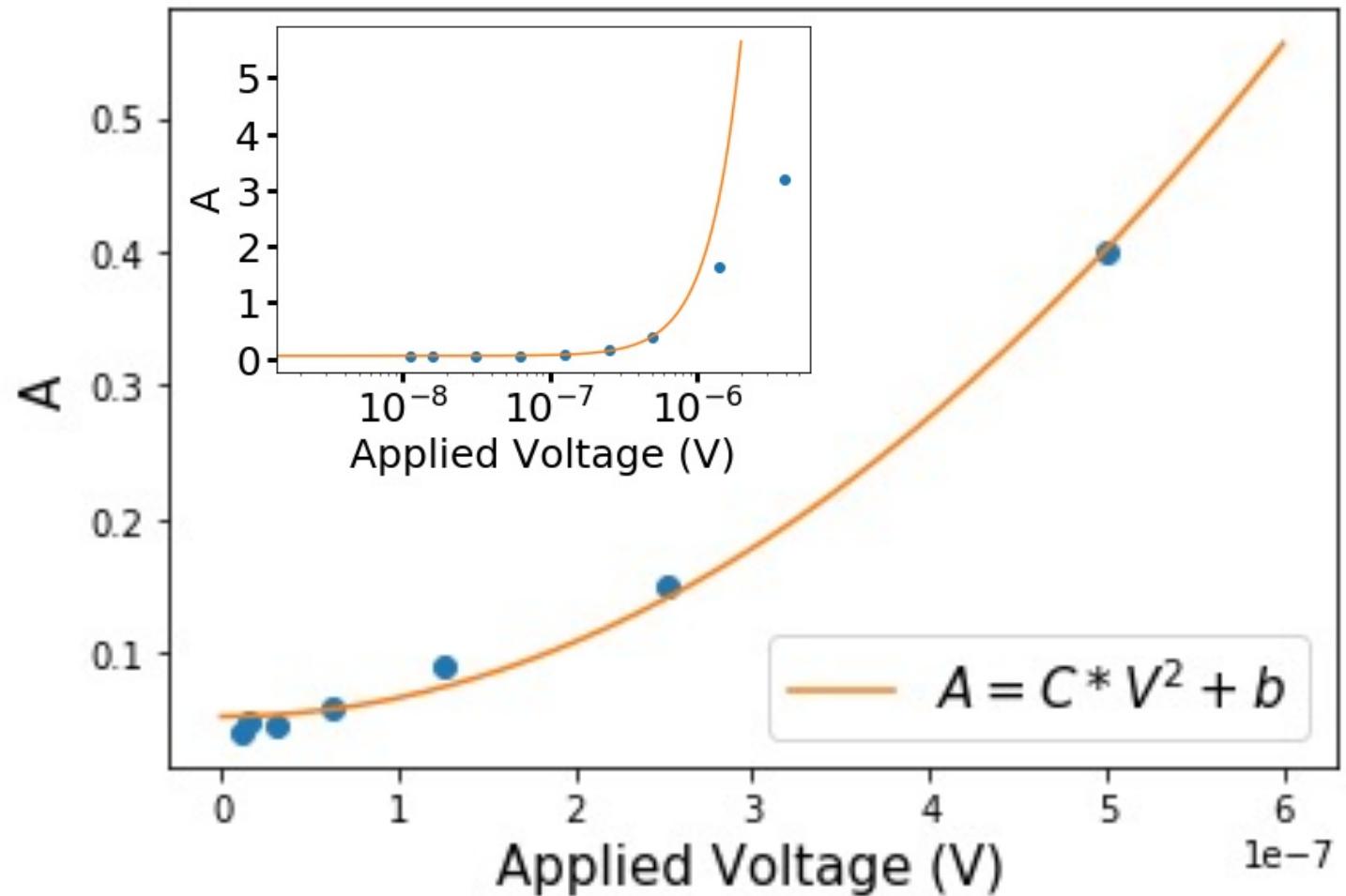
$$T_2 \sim 1/T$$

$$\frac{1}{Q_i} = \frac{1}{Q_{TLS}(T, E)} + \frac{1}{Q_{QP}(T, E)} + \frac{1}{Q_{other}}$$

# Field Dependence of Fitting Parameter

$$\delta_{TLS} = \frac{\delta_{TLS}^0 \tanh\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2k_B T}\right)}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{A}{T} \tanh\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2k_B T}\right)}}$$

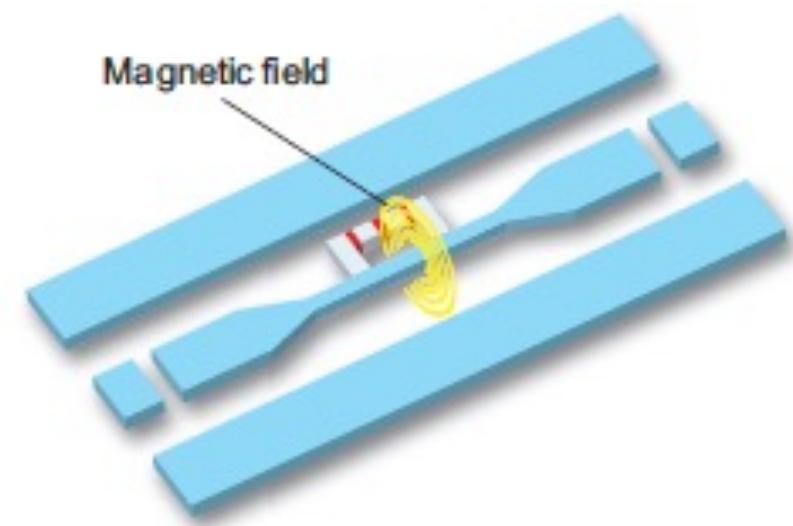
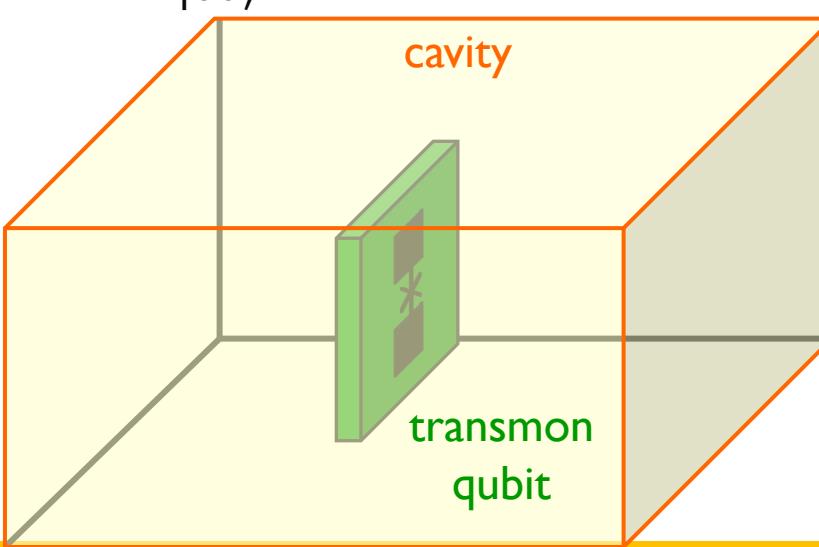
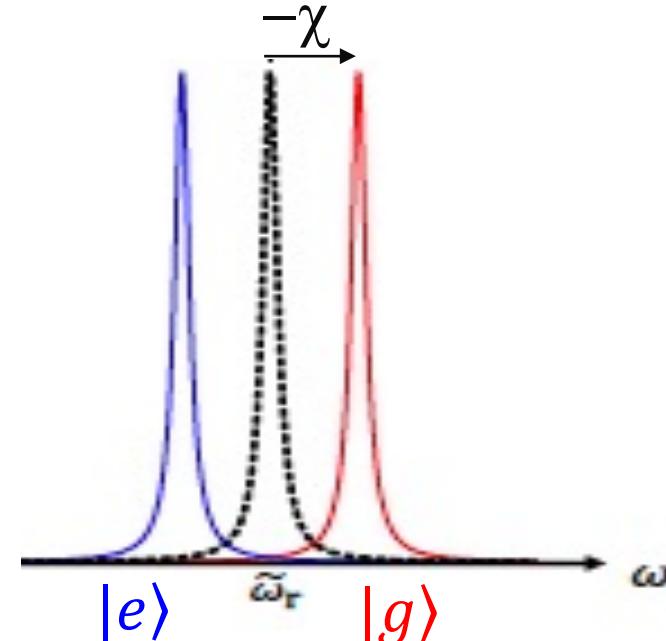
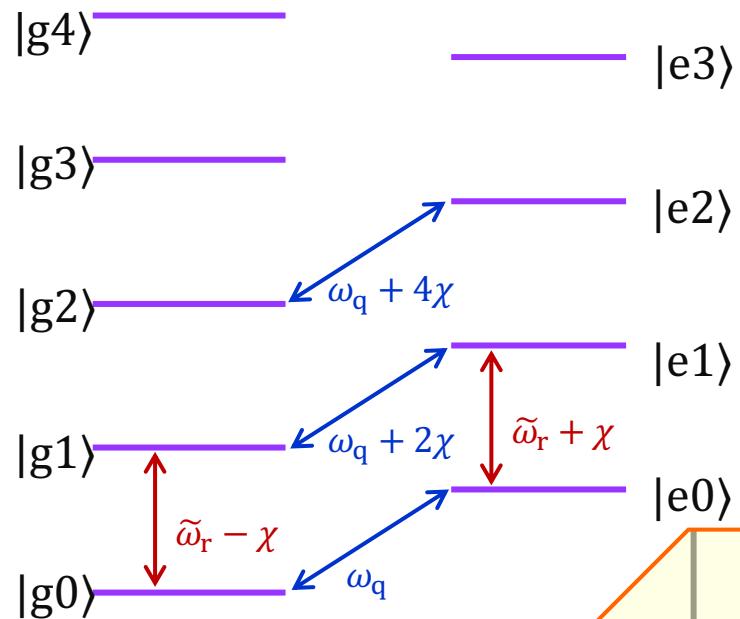
$$A = \frac{2d_0^2}{3} \left( \frac{1}{\Delta_0^2} \right) \left[ \frac{r_L^2}{V_L^5} + \frac{r_T^2}{V_T^5} \right]^{-1} * \frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{\varepsilon} * \frac{\pi\hbar\rho^2 V^2}{C\gamma P k \Delta} E^2$$



# Qubit Readout

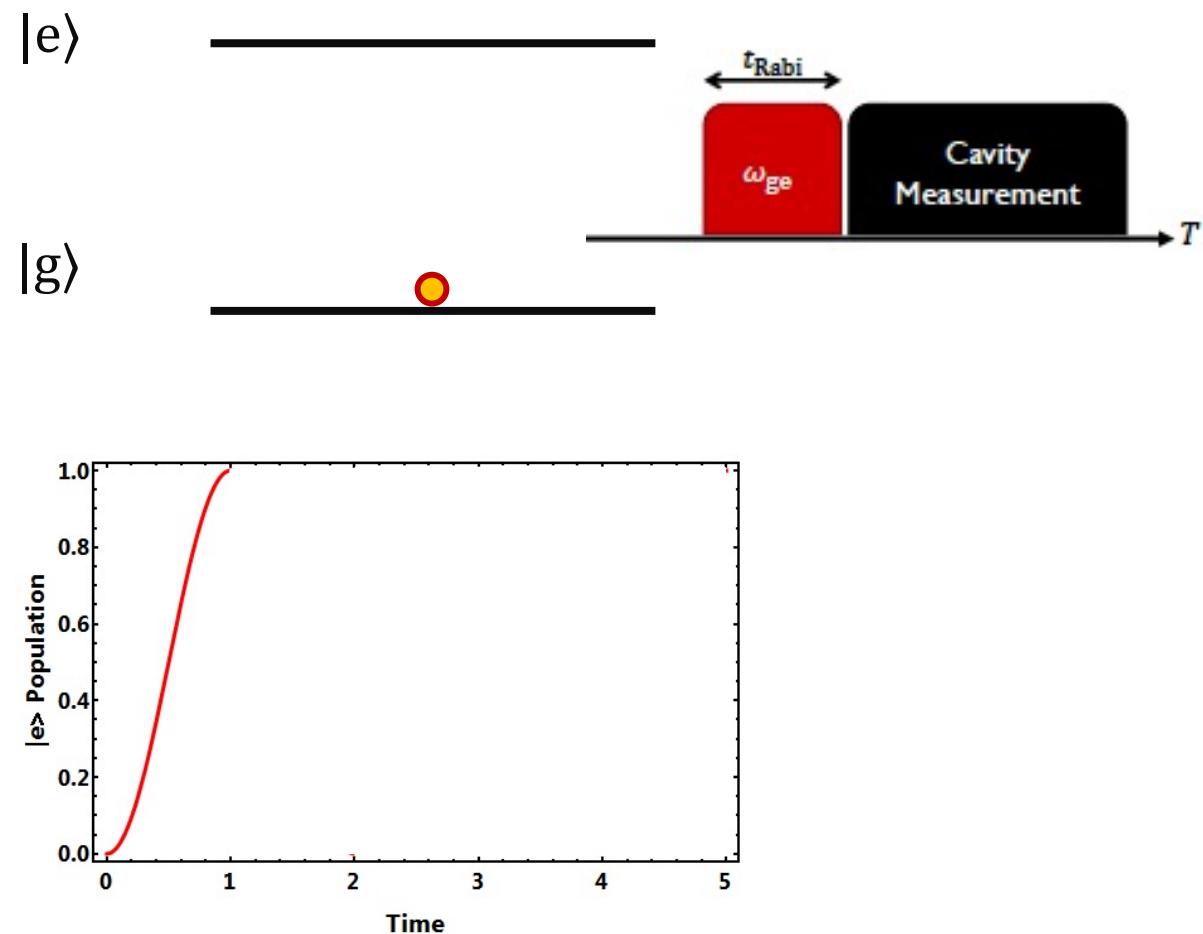
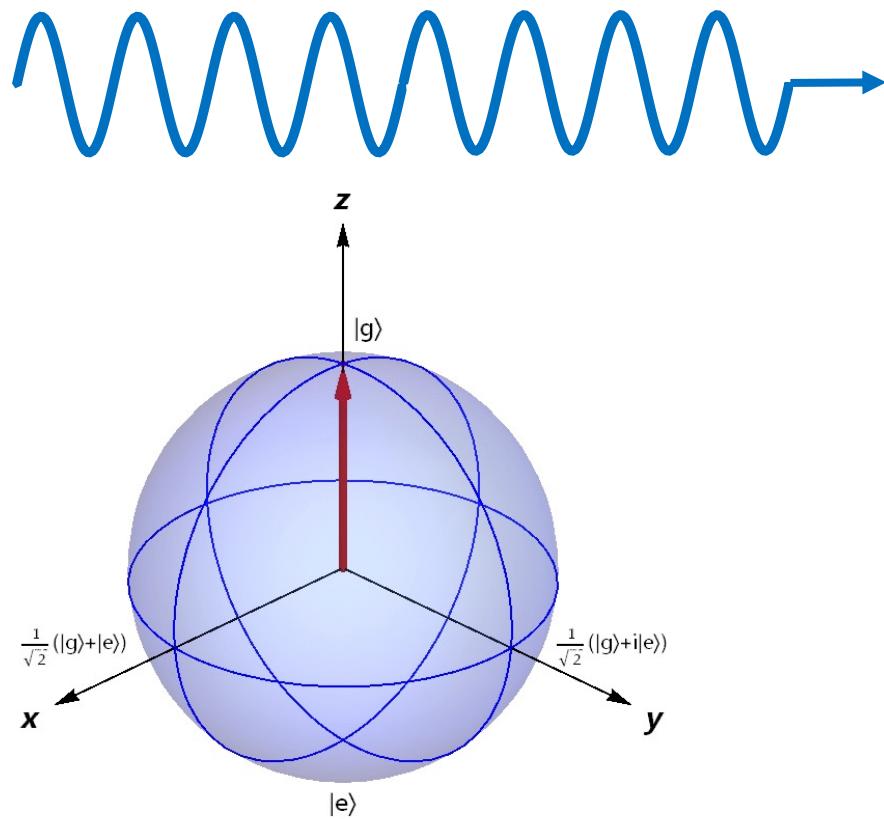
Dispersive Jaynes-Cummings Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{JC}}^{(\text{disp})} = \hbar(\tilde{\omega}_r + \chi\sigma_z)a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2}\hbar\tilde{\omega}_q\sigma_z$$



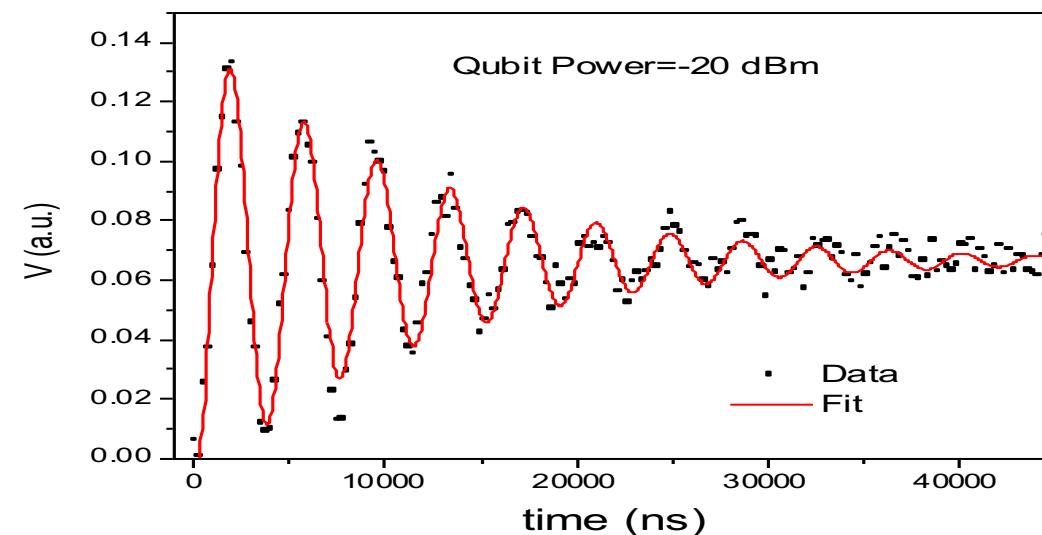
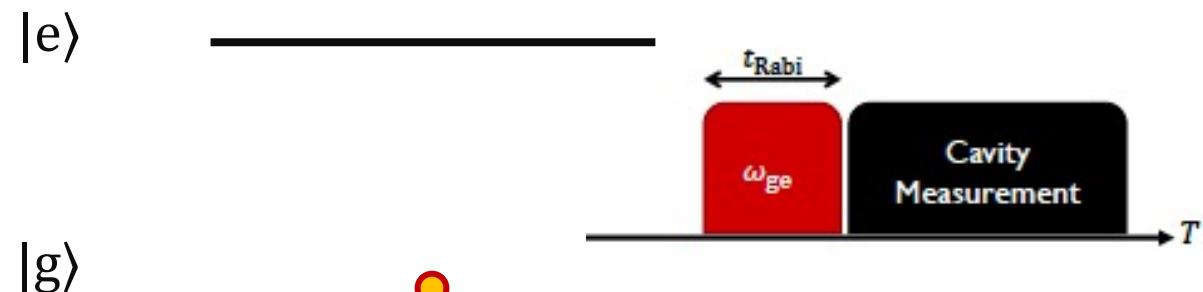
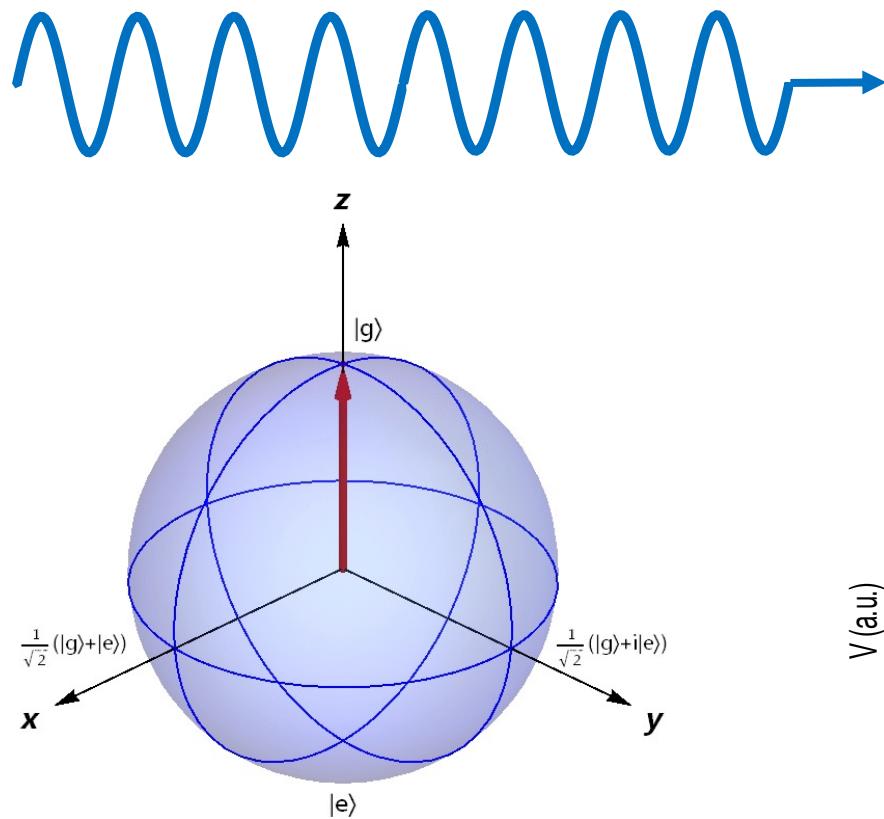
# Driving the Qubit & Rabi Oscillations

Driving a qubit on resonance  
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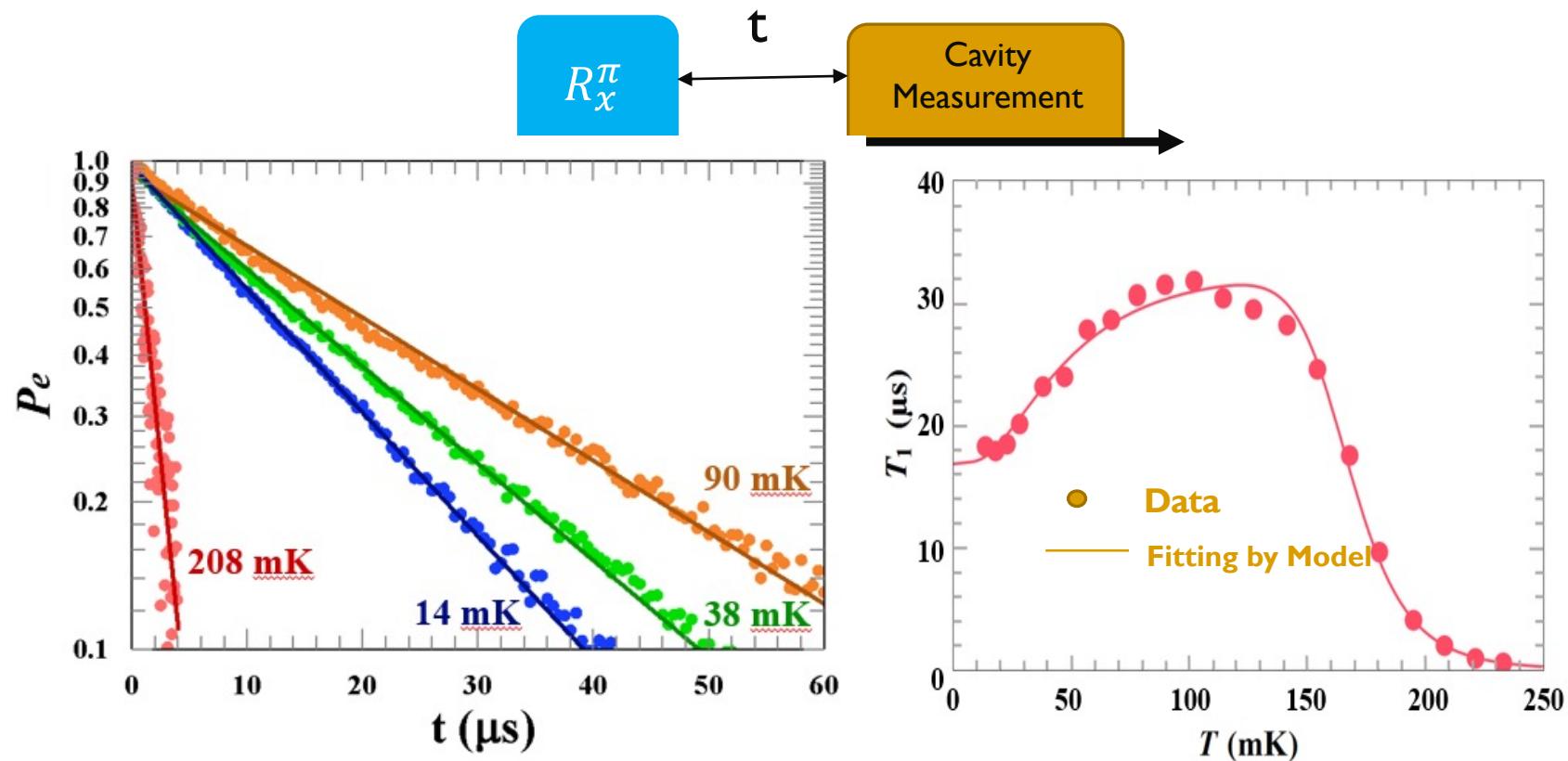
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Transmon in 3D Cylindrical Cavities

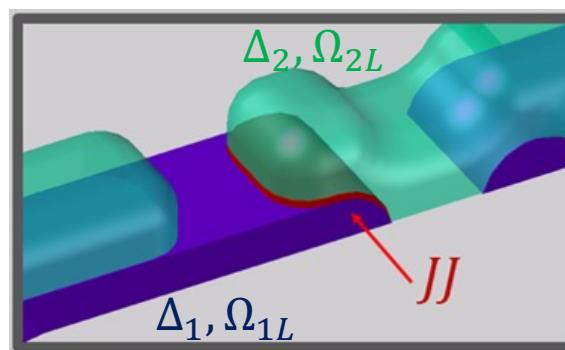
# Qubit Relaxation Measurement



I. TLS Loss?

2. Imbalanced Nonequilibrium  
Quasiparticles at two different SC gaps?

$$n_{1L} \approx n_{th,1} + \frac{n_{ne,1L}}{1 + \frac{\Omega_{2L}}{\Omega_{1L}} \sqrt{\frac{\Delta_2}{\Delta_1}} \exp\left(\frac{\Delta_1 - \Delta_2}{K_B T}\right)}$$

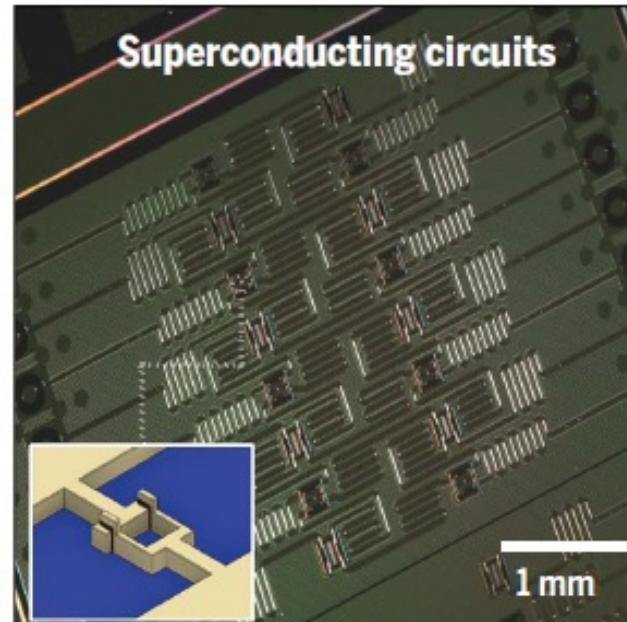


$$n_{2R} \approx n_{th,2} + \frac{n_{ne,1R}}{\sqrt{\frac{\Delta_1}{\Delta_2}} \exp\left(\frac{\Delta_2 - \Delta_1}{K_B T}\right) + \frac{\Omega_{2R}}{\Omega_{1R}}}$$

# Motivation of Microwave Microscope

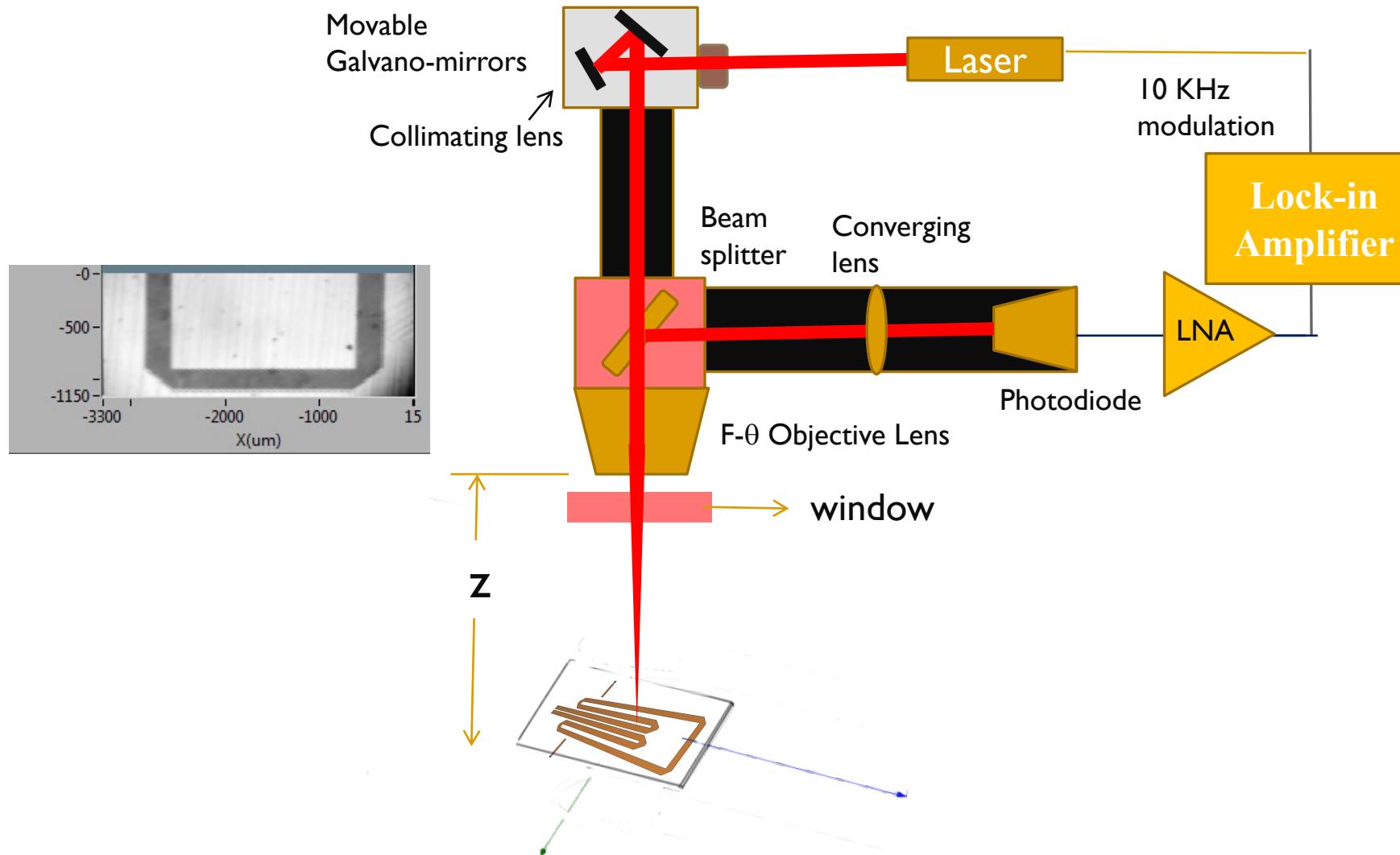
$$\frac{1}{Q_i} = \frac{1}{Q_{TLS}(T,E)} + \frac{1}{Q_{QP}(T,E)} + \frac{1}{Q_{rad}(W,geometry)} + \frac{1}{Q_{vortices}(B)} + \dots$$

**Develop a microscopy which can microscopically locate the place of loss at devices/cavities operating condition and identify the loss mechanism.**



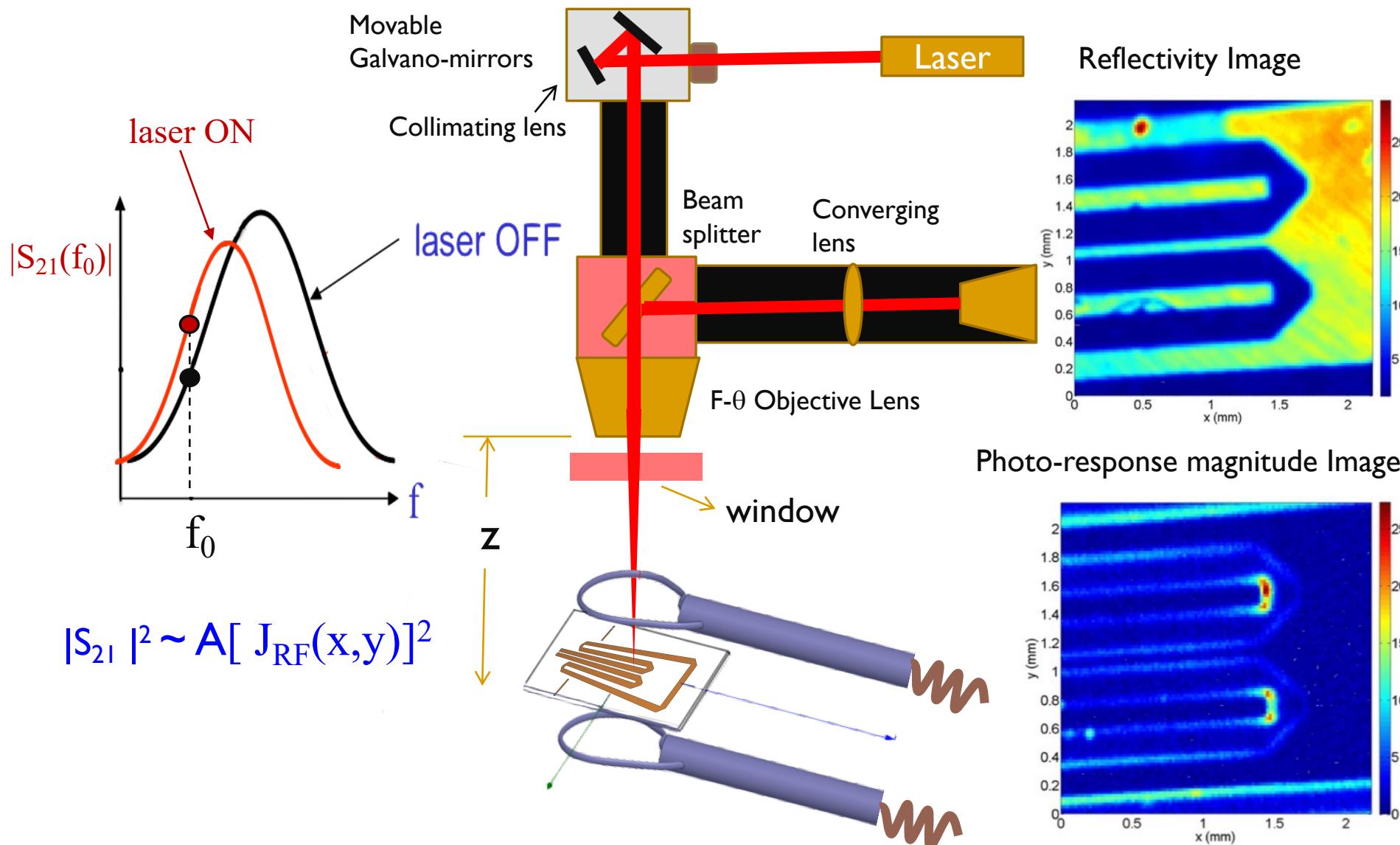
# Laser Scanning Microwave Microscopy

## 1. Reflectance mode to generate a conventional image

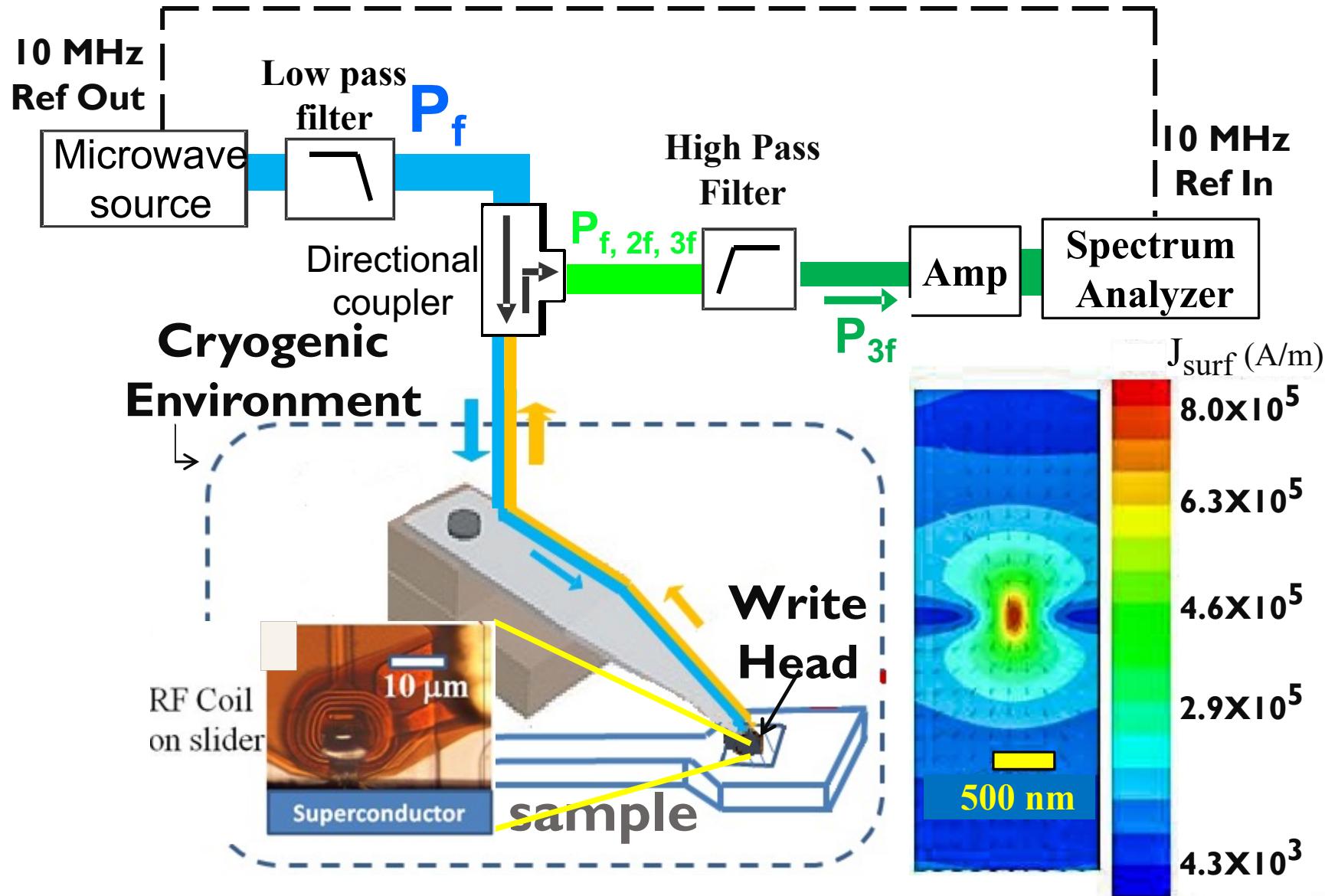


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## 2. Photoresponse mode to image the current density

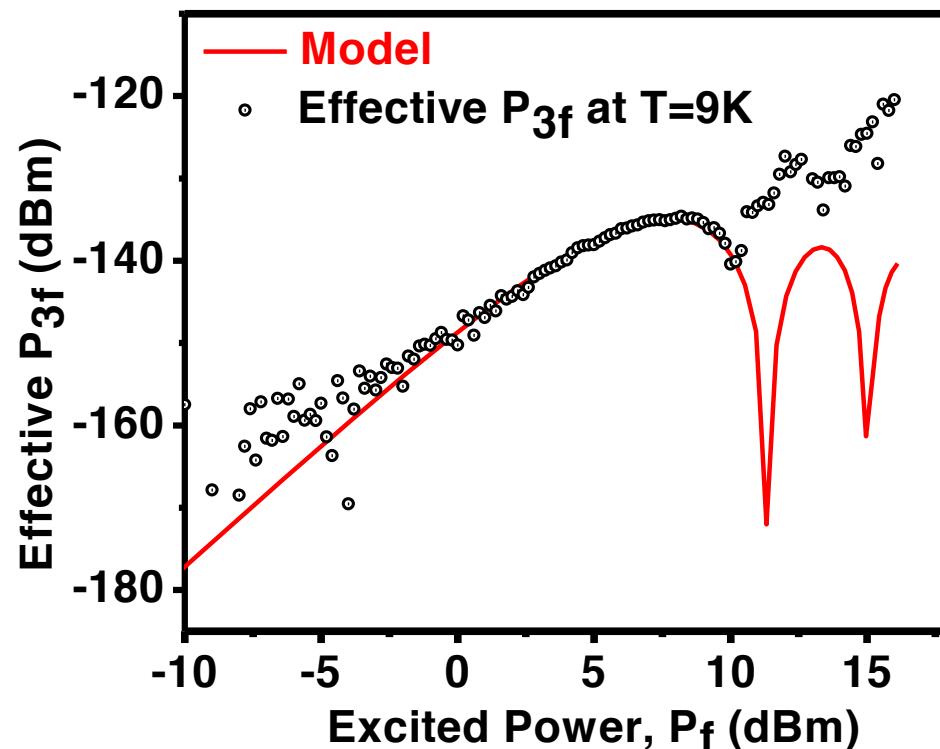


# Near-Field Microwave Microscopy

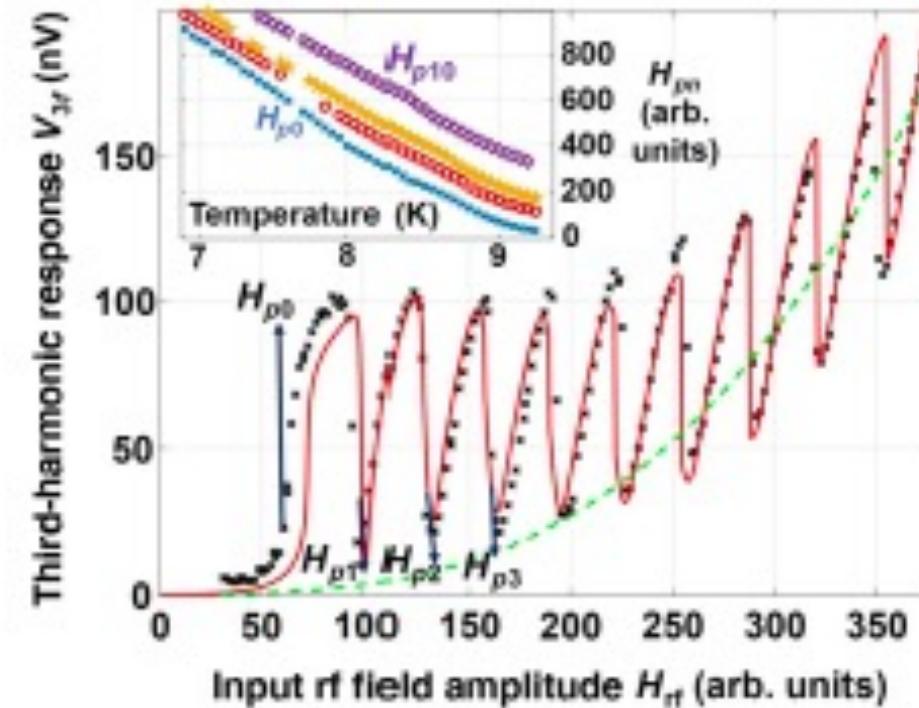


# Nonlinear Measurement and Modeling

General curve of  $P_{3f}$  ( $P_f$ )



Tamin Tai et al., PRB 92, 134513 (2015)



Bakhron Oripov et al.

PHYSICAL REVIEW APPLIED 11, 064030 (2019)

# Conclusions

## □ Superconducting Quantum Computing

- ❖ In aluminum resonator, an unusual increase of  $Q_i$  with decreasing temperature is observed, which is due to the increase of TLS coherence time ( $T_2$ ) in ultra-low temperature and power.
- ❖ Temperature dependent of  $T_1$  on transmon qubits is also affected by many loss issues. In addition to TLS loss issue, two gaps model also can interpret the  $T_1$  temperature dependent behavior.

## □ Microscopy

### ❖ Laser Scanning Microscopy

A clear photo response with the capability of phase-sensitive measurement of local microwave properties on YBCO resonators are obtained by LSM with  $\sim \mu\text{m}$  length resolution.

### ❖ Near-field Scanning Microwave Microscopy

This microscopy achieved local harmonic generation from bulk Nb surfaces from sub-micron scale length and the measured nonlinearity is interpreted by the model of weak-link Josephson junctions.