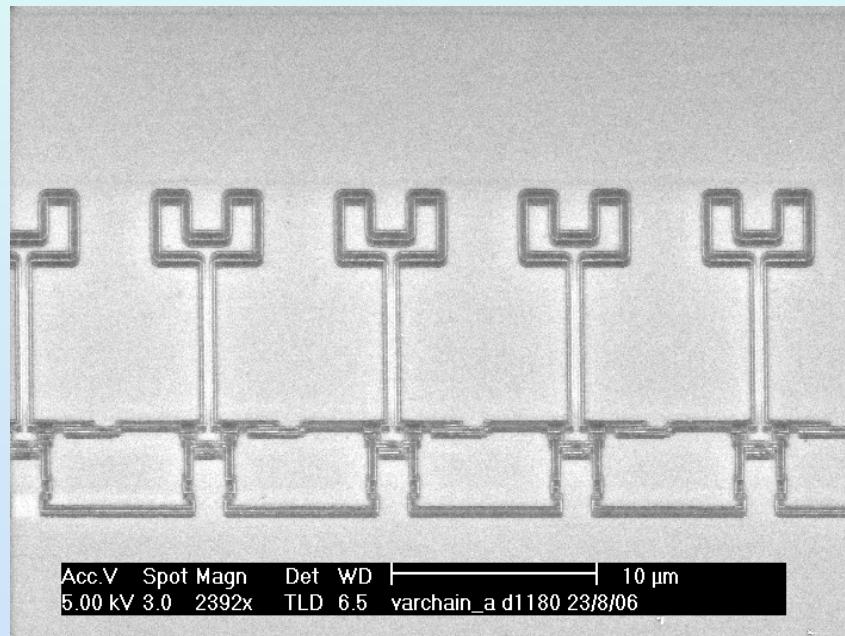


# Quantum simulation with superconducting qubits

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1. introduction superconducting qubits
2. flux qubits
3. quantum simulation with quantum vortices and flux qubits

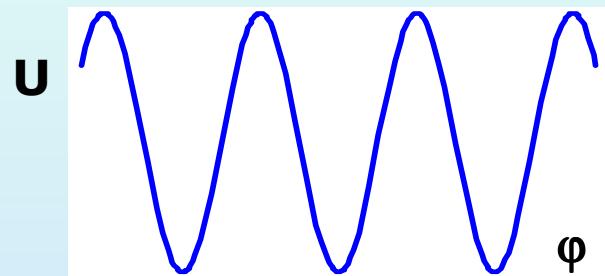
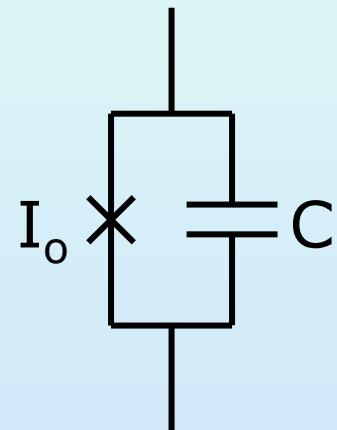
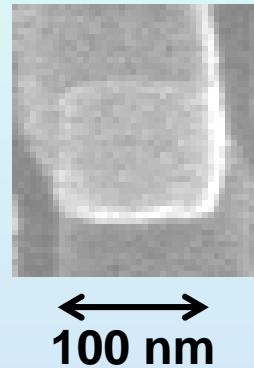
**superconducting order parameter**  $\Psi = |\Psi| e^{i\varphi}$

$$\Phi_o = \frac{h}{2e}$$

$$V = \frac{\Phi_o}{2\pi} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t}$$

**loop**  $\sum_i \varphi_i = 2\pi \frac{\Phi}{\Phi_o} + 2\pi n$

## Josephson junction



$$E_J = \frac{\Phi_o}{2\pi} I_o$$

$$E_C \equiv \frac{4e^2}{2C}$$

$$U = E_C \left( \frac{Q}{2e} \right)^2 + E_J (1 - \cos \varphi)$$

$$I = \frac{dQ}{dt} + I_o \sin \varphi$$

circuit with Josephson junctions

$\phi_1 \dots \phi_n$  phase differences+constraints

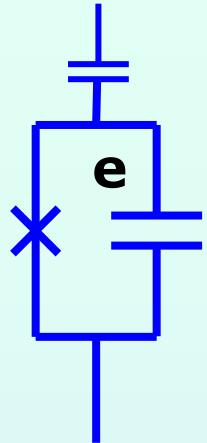
$U(\phi_1 \dots \phi_n)$ : potential energy

$C_i(d\phi_i/dt)^2$  terms: kinetic energy

set of conjugate variables: Lagrangian, Hamiltonian  
quantization

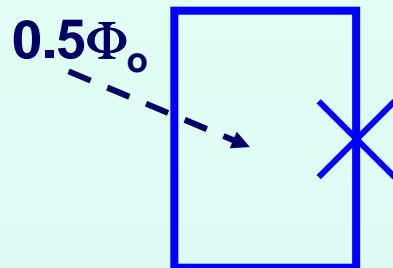
set of islands with discrete numbers of Cooper pairs

junctions provide off-diagonal coupling of charge states



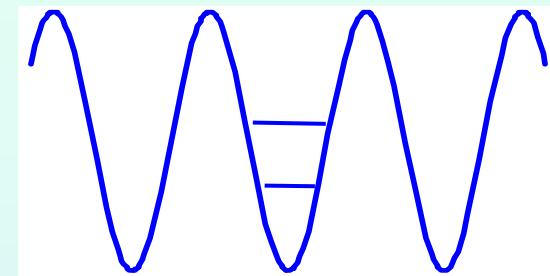
charge qubit

*charge qubit*



fluxoid qubit

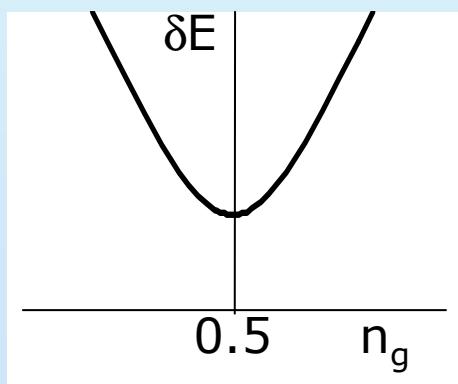
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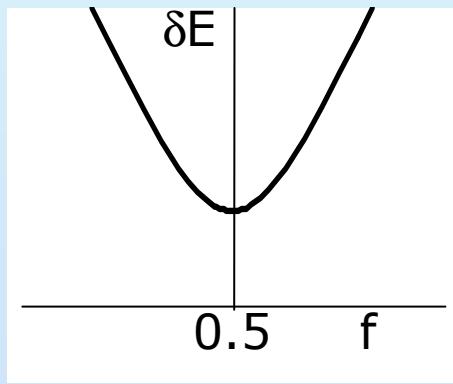
oscillation qubit

*phase qubit  
transmon*

$$\delta E = \hbar \omega_{osc}$$



$$n_g = CV_g / 2e$$



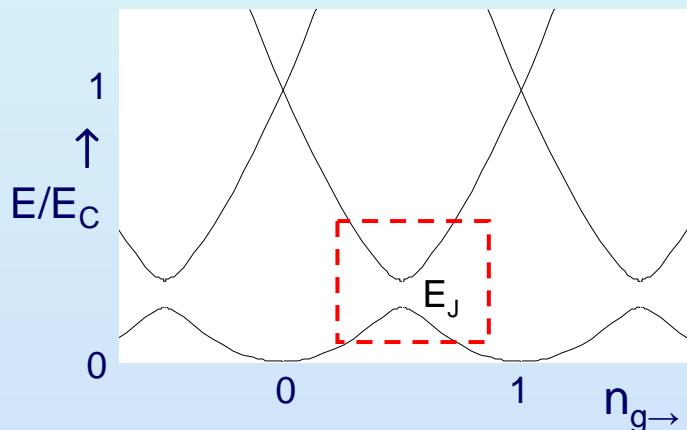
$$f = \Phi / \Phi_0$$

## quantum Cooper pair box: charge qubit

$$H = E_C(n - n_g)^2 - E_J \cos\varphi \quad (\text{classical Hamiltonian})$$

$$[\hat{n}, \hat{\varphi}] = i$$

$$\hat{H} = E_C(\hat{n} - n_g)^2 - E_J \cos\hat{\varphi}$$



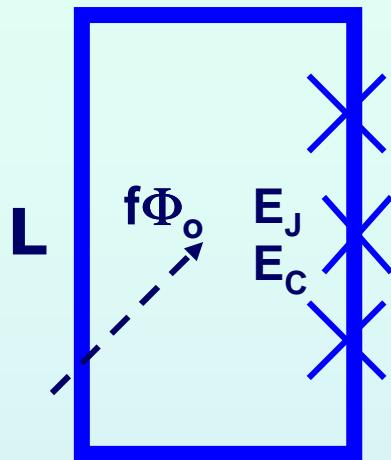
$$E_C/E_J \gg 1$$

around  $n_g = 0.5$

$$\hat{H} = -\{E_J \sigma_x + E_C(n_g - 0.5) \sigma_z\}/2$$

other levels extremely high

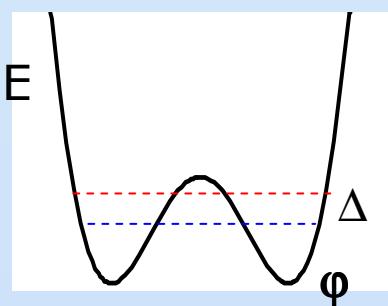
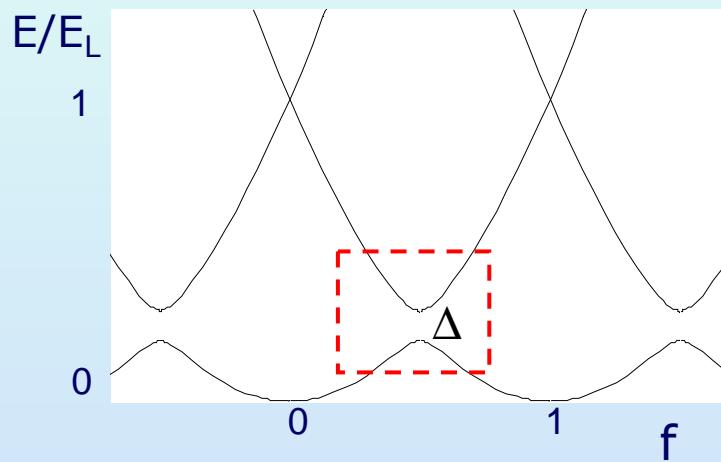
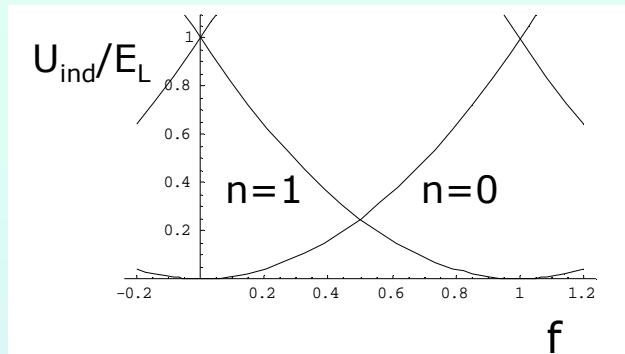
## flux qubit    $E_J \gg E_C$



around  $f=0.5$

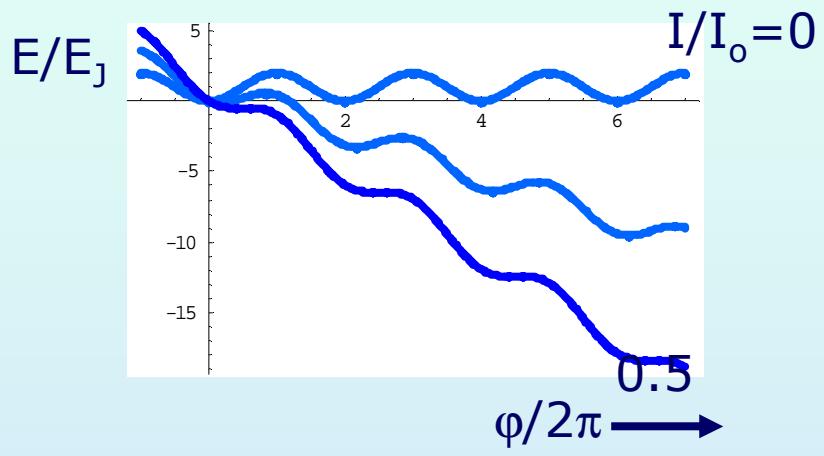
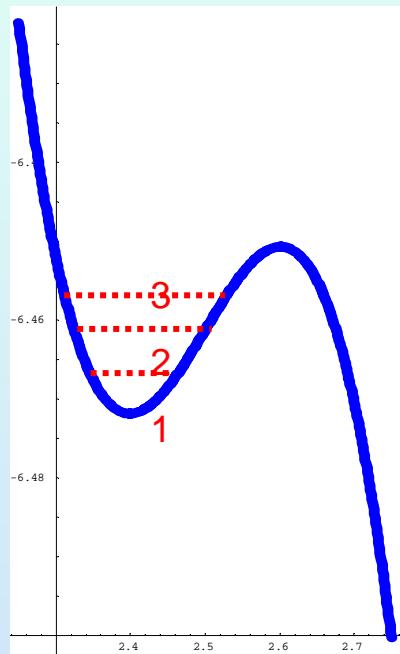
$$\hat{H} = -\{\Delta\sigma_x + E_L(f-0.5)\sigma_z\}/2$$

$$\Delta = a\sqrt{E_J E_C} \exp\left(-b\sqrt{\frac{E_J}{E_C}}\right)$$

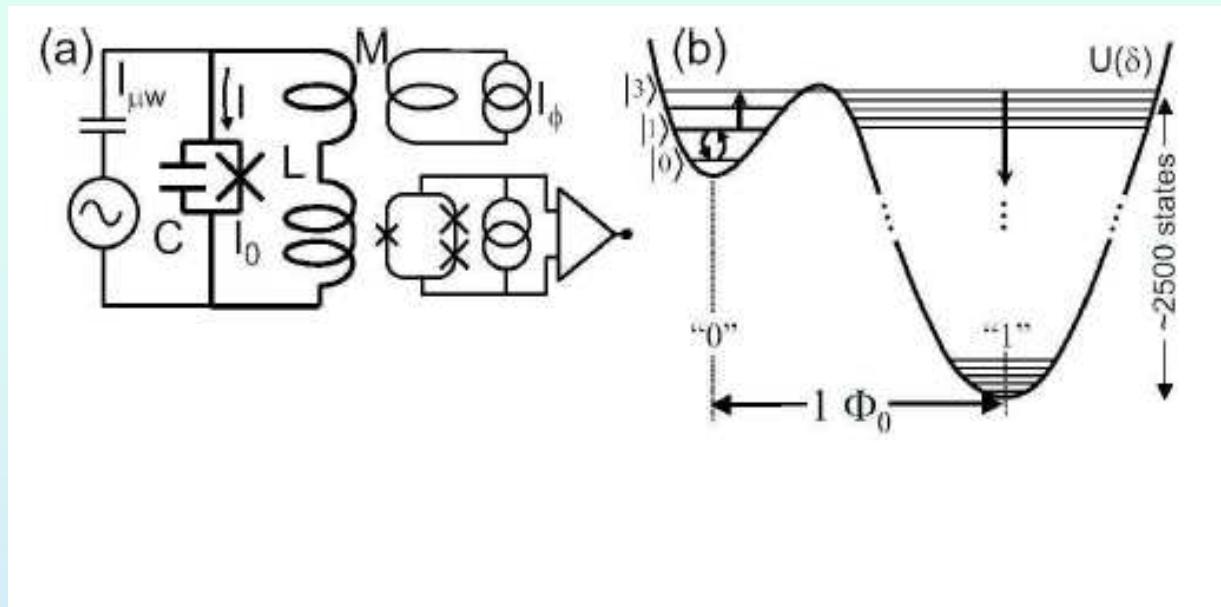


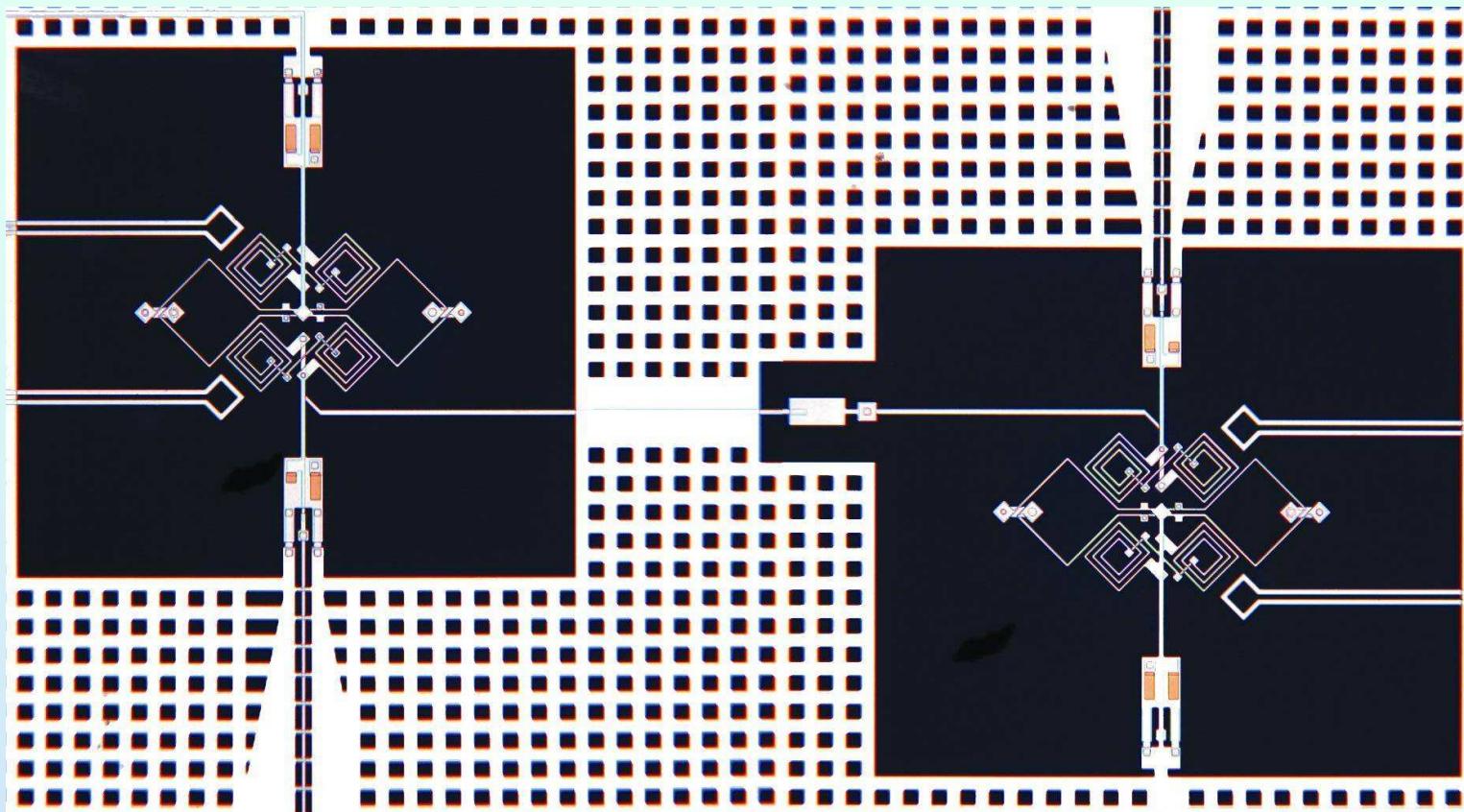
## Phase Qubit

*plasma oscillation of a current-biased single Josephson junction*



# Martinis group Santa Barbara

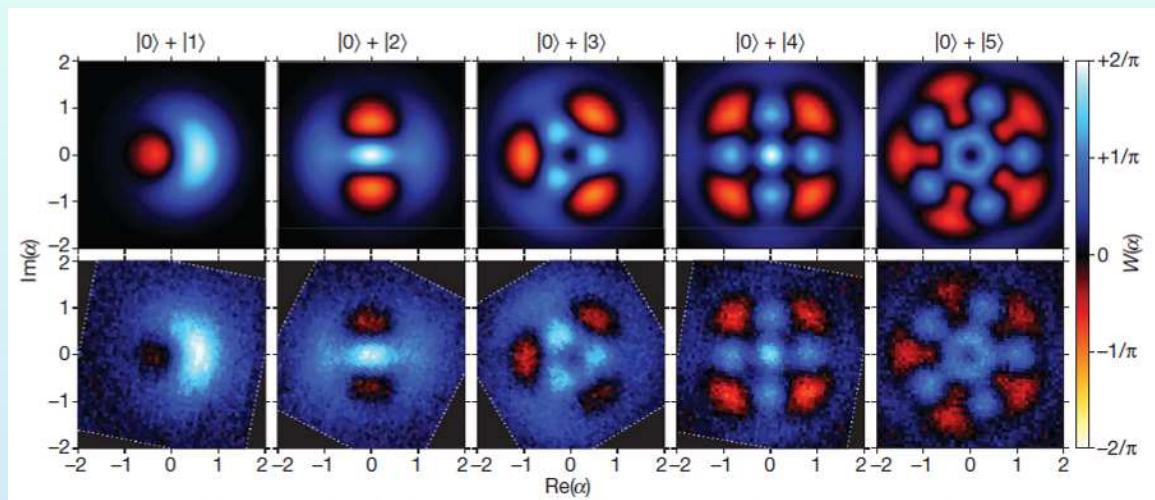
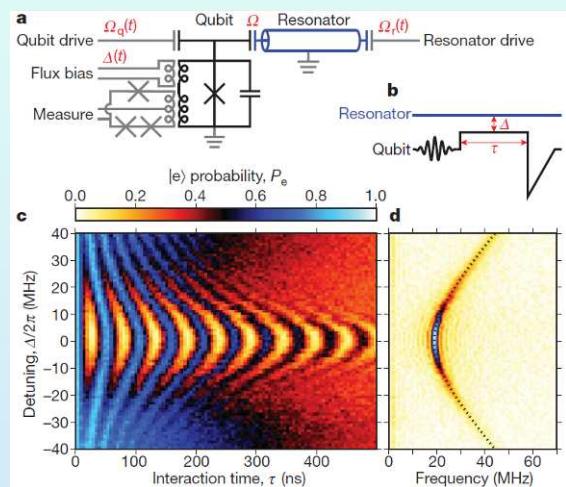




# Synthesizing arbitrary quantum states in a superconducting resonator

Nature **459**, 546 (2009)

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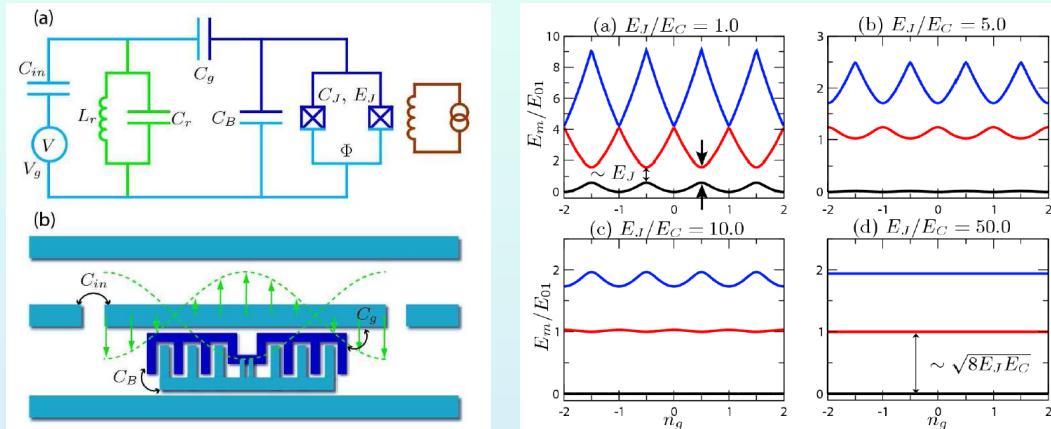
# Violation of Bell's inequality in Josephson phase qubits

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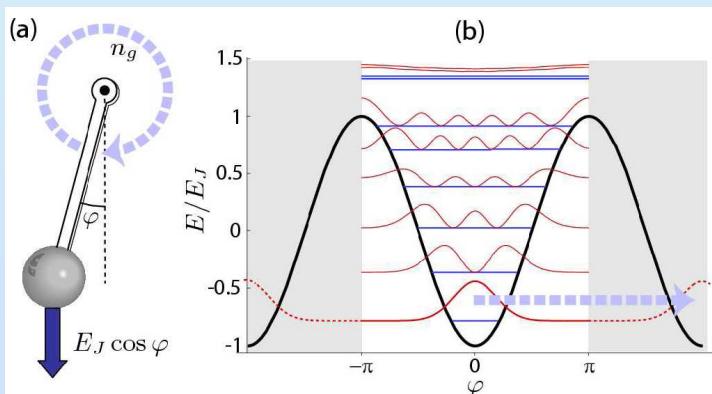
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## Yale group: Schoelkopf, Girvin

**transmon:** Cooper pair box with strongly reduced  $E_C$  coupled to high Q harmonic oscillator



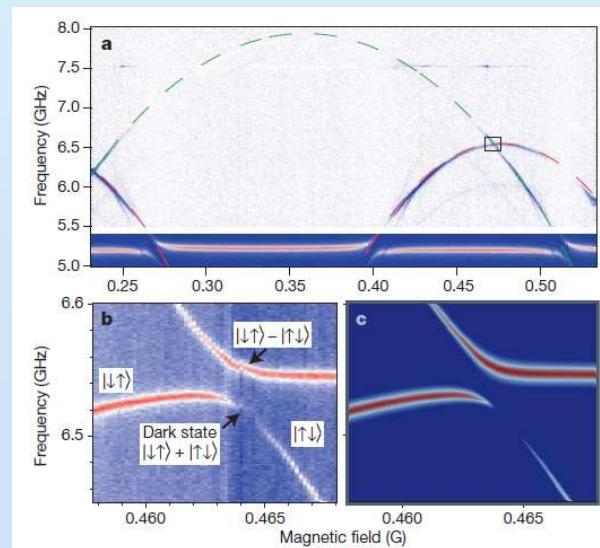
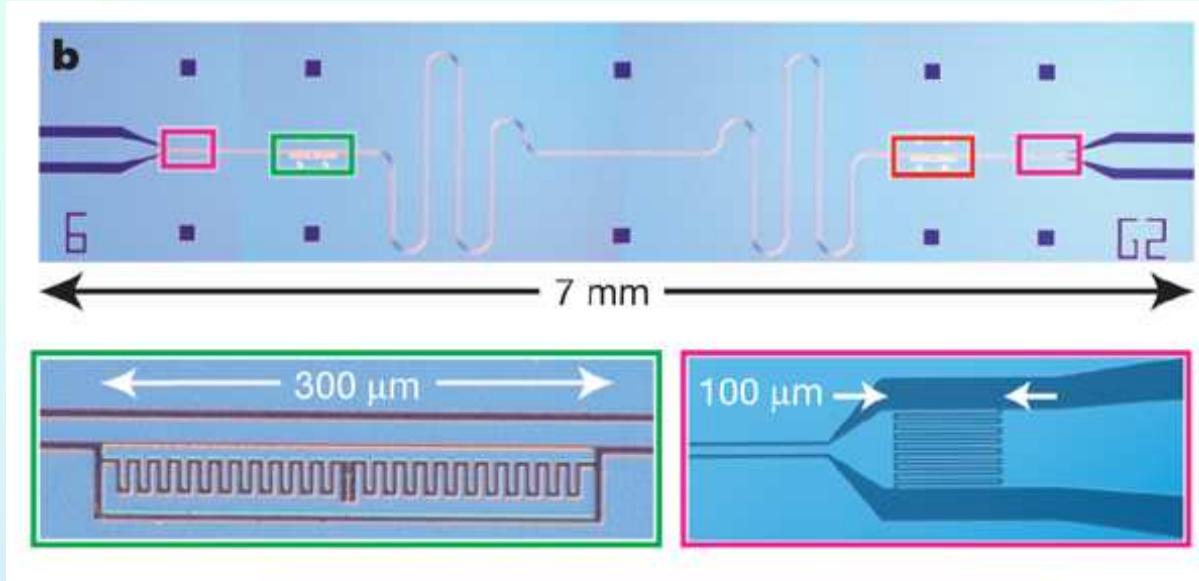
external capacitive shunt  
 $E_{J\max}/h = 18 \text{ GHz}$   
 $E_{C\text{eff}}/h = 1.4 \text{ GHz}$   
 $\nu_{\text{pl}} \sim 6 \text{ GHz}$



increasing  $E_J$  leads to

- gradually decreasing anharmonicity
- exponentially decreasing dependence of  $\delta E$  on  $n_g$

## circuit quantum electrodynamics



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# **Demonstration of two-qubit algorithms with a superconducting quantum processor**

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Nature **460**, 240 (2009)

sources of decoherence

driving circuits: gate, bias flux, microwave lines, measurement  
*engineering design, calculation possible*

microscopic defects

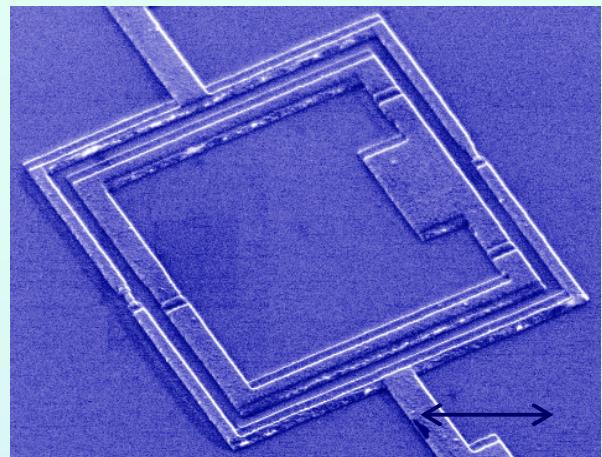
1/f noise due to many fluctuators

parasitic two-level systems with same energy splitting  
*smaller qubits, fewer defects*

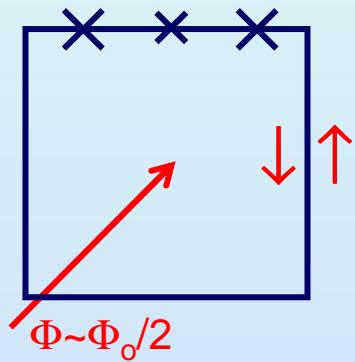
dephasing times  $> 1 \mu\text{s}$  reached in most qubit types

*at optimal conditions*

level separation 3-15 GHz, operation time 5-50 ns



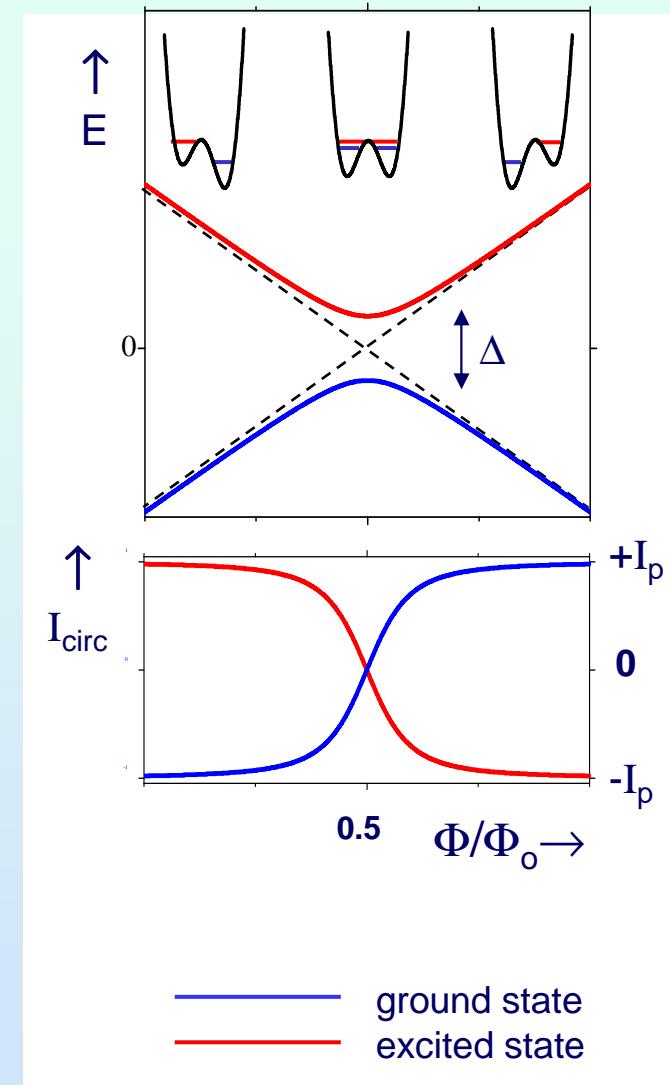
1  $\mu\text{m}$



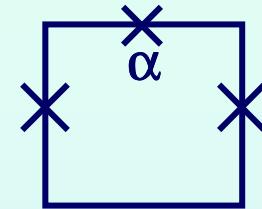
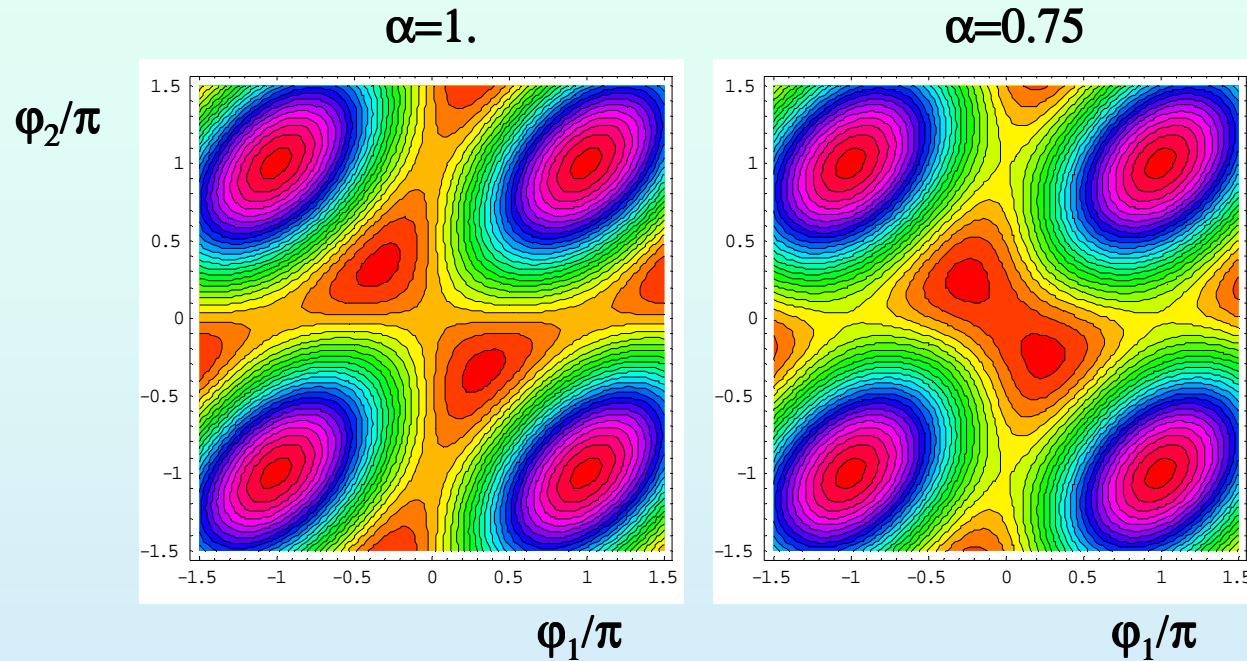
flux bias  $\Phi_0/2$   
currents  $\pm I_p$

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$$\varepsilon = (\Phi / \Phi_o - 0.5)2\Phi_o I_p$$

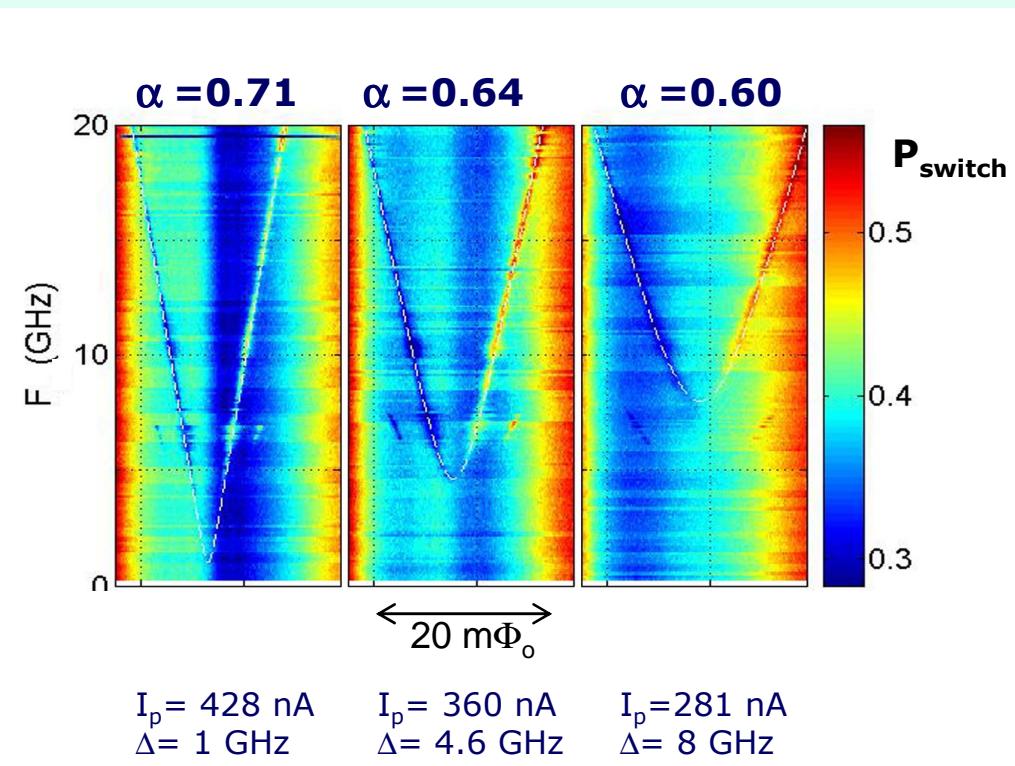
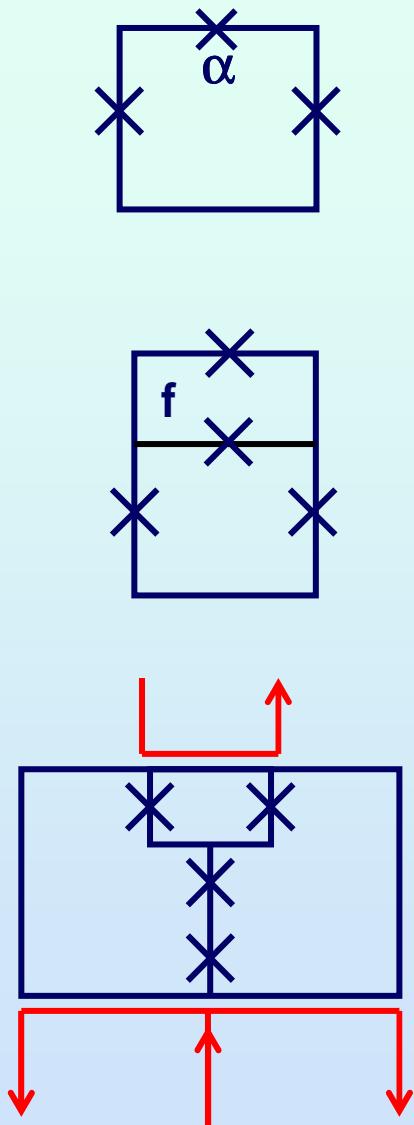


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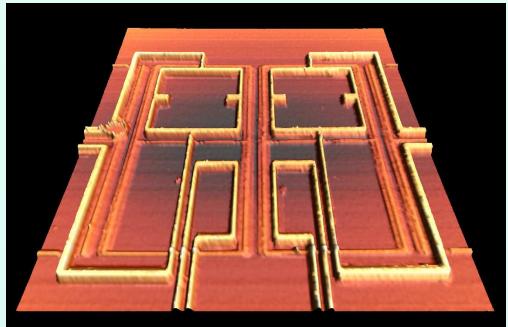
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**tunable  $\Delta$**

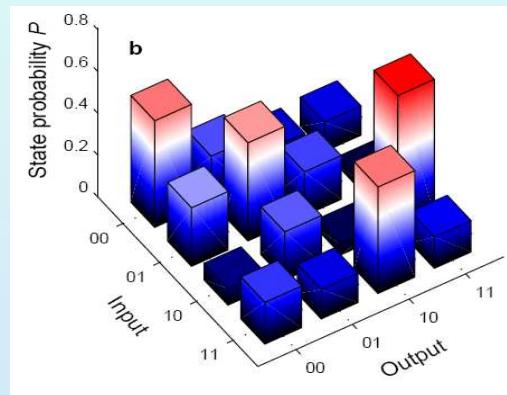


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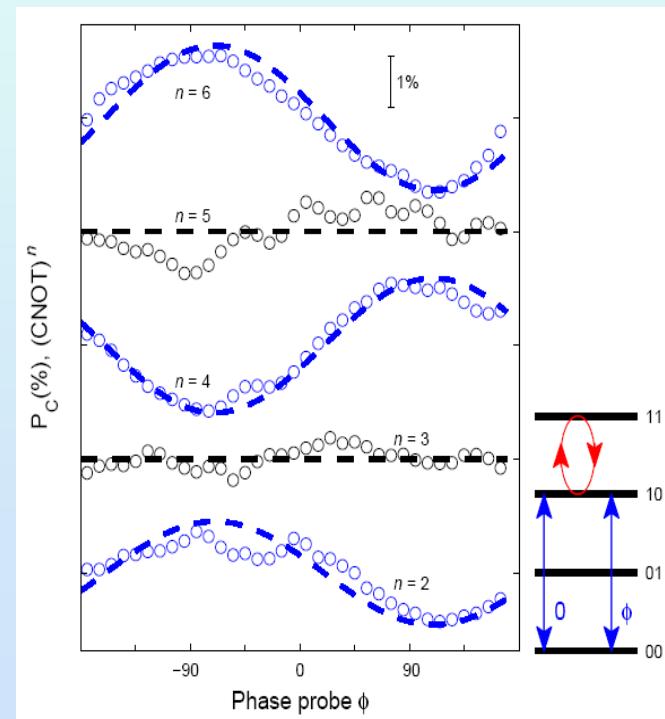
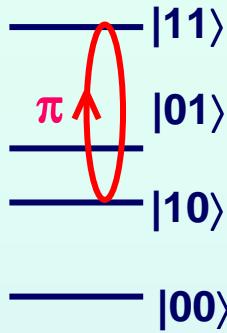
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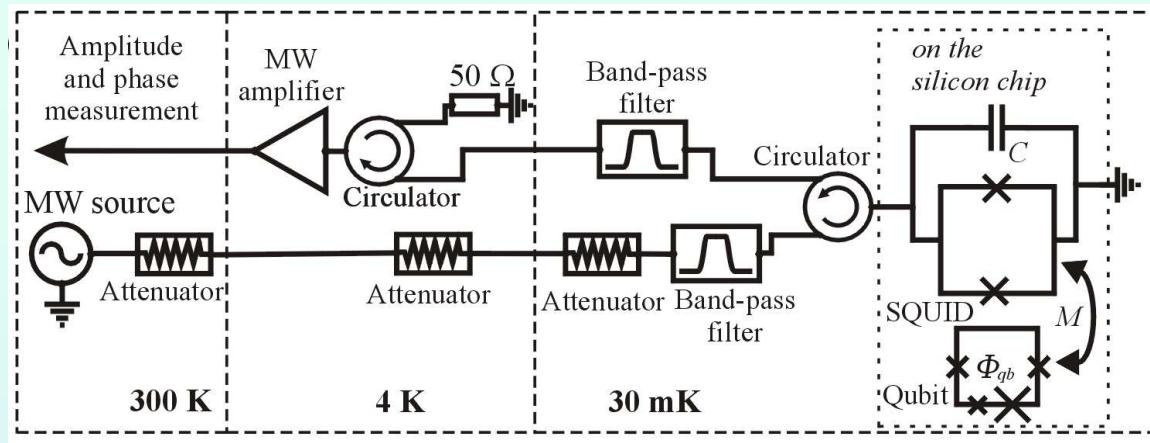


**controlled-NOT gate**

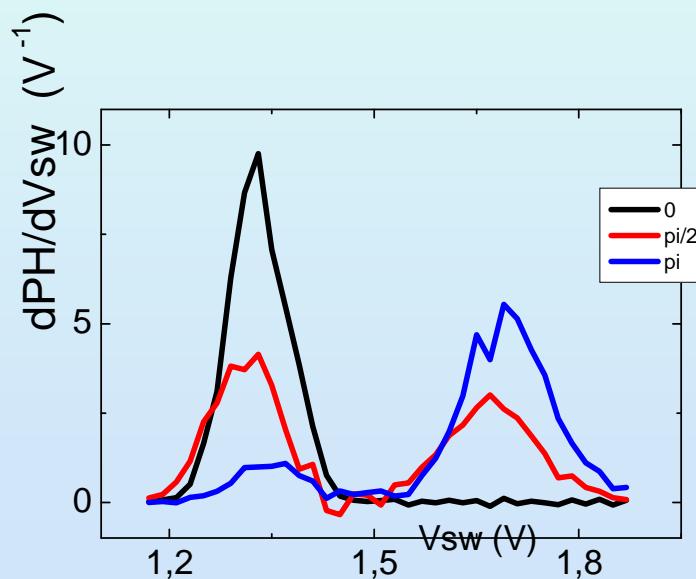
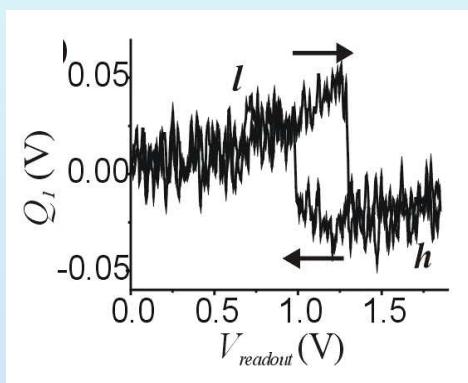


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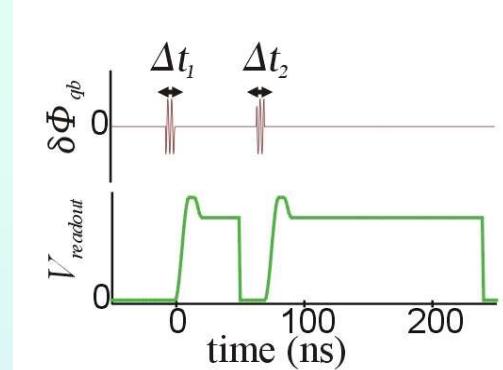
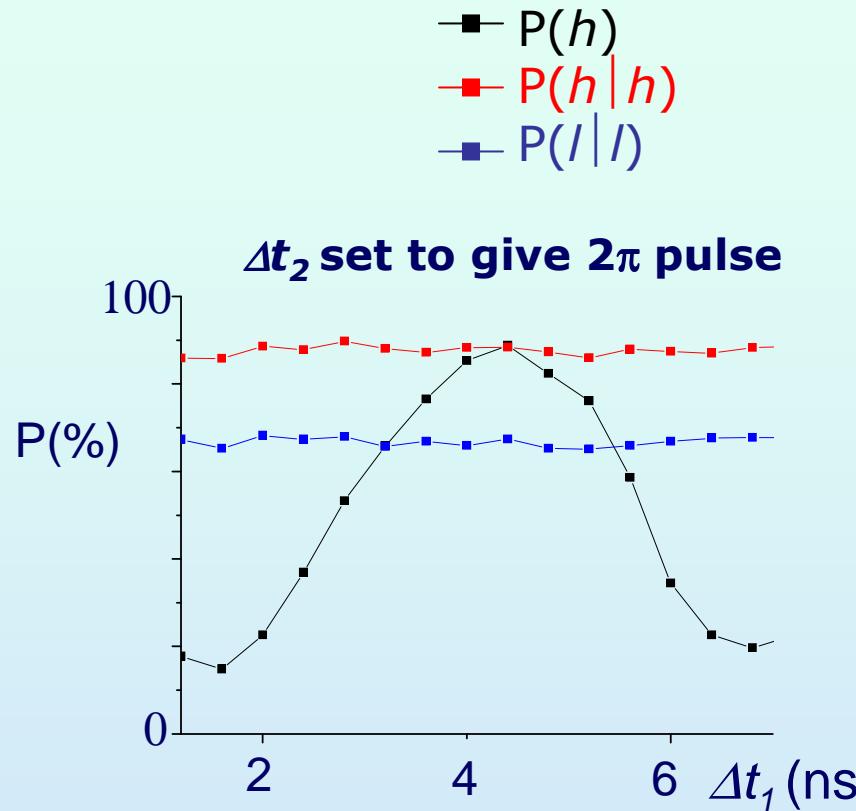




$$L_k = \frac{\Phi_0}{2\pi I_o}$$

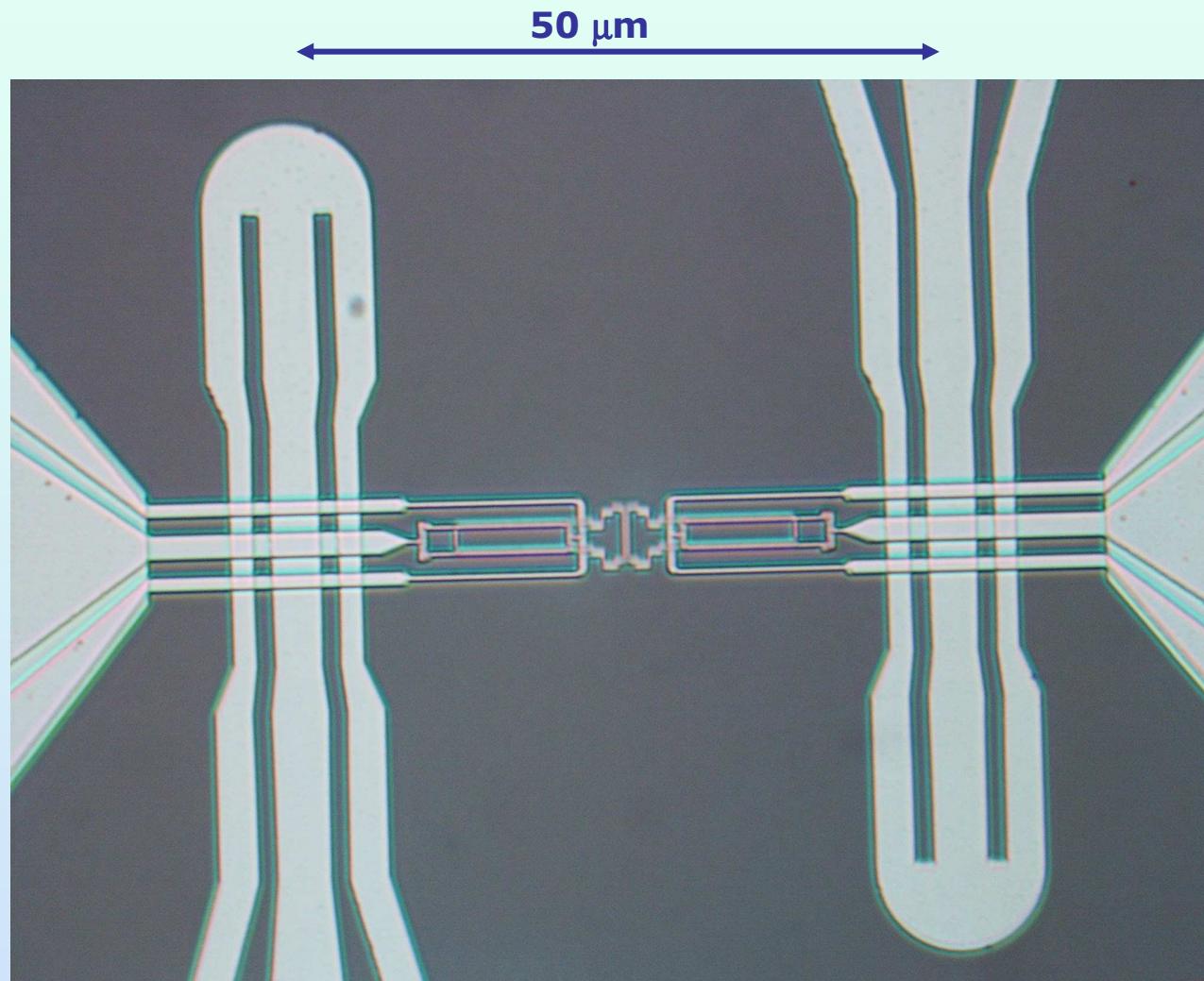


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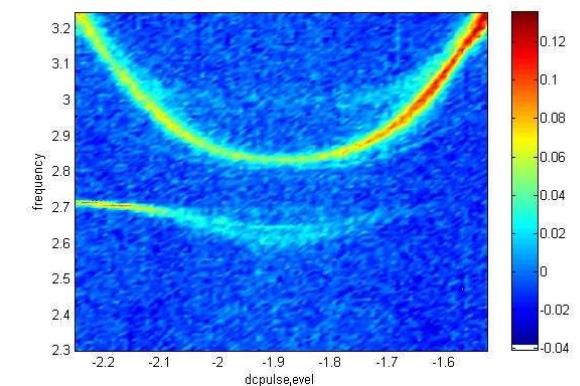
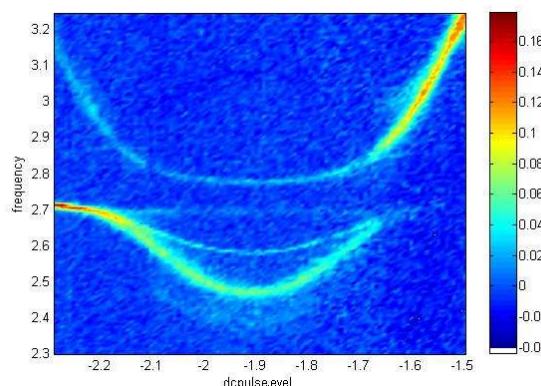
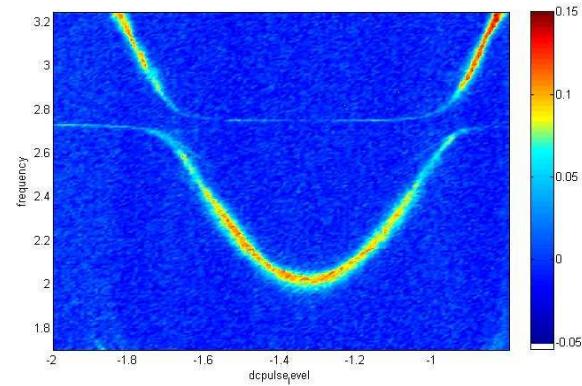


oscillator state  $h \Leftrightarrow$  qubit ground state  
 oscillator state  $l \Leftrightarrow$  qubit excited state

## Pieter de Groot - 2-qubit sample with bifurcative readout

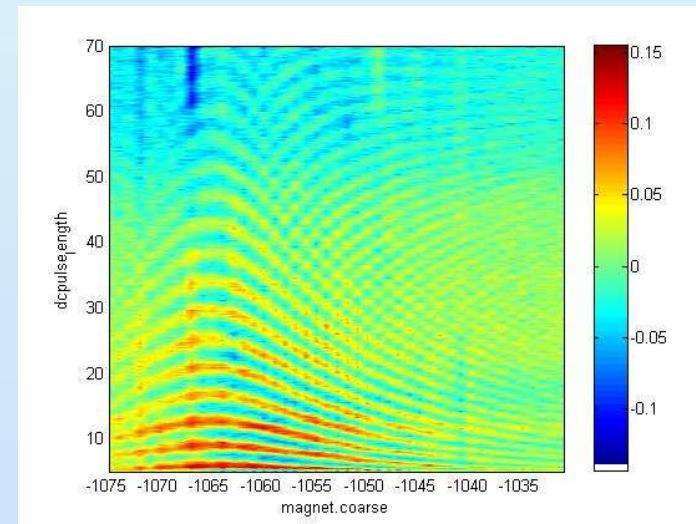


**cross-talk between readout systems < 0.1 %**



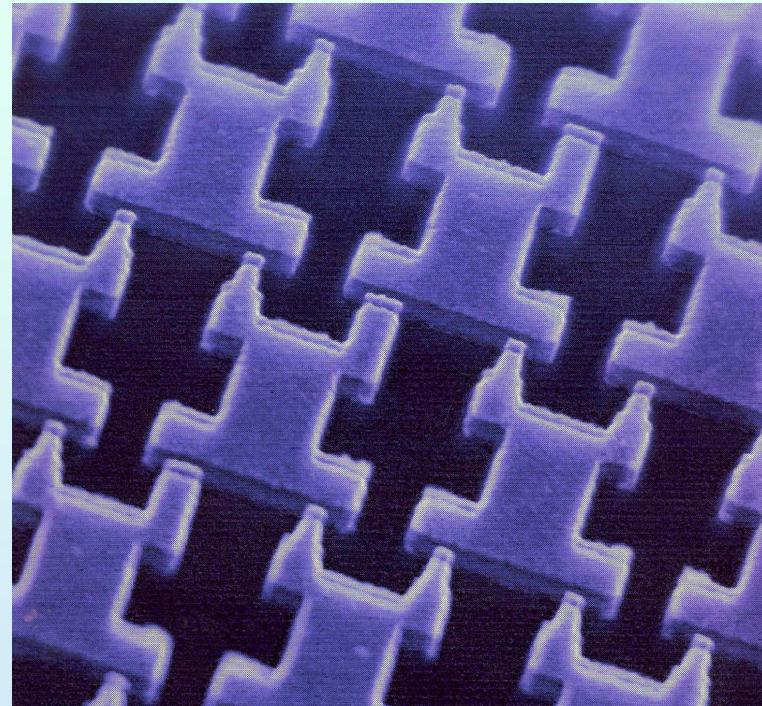
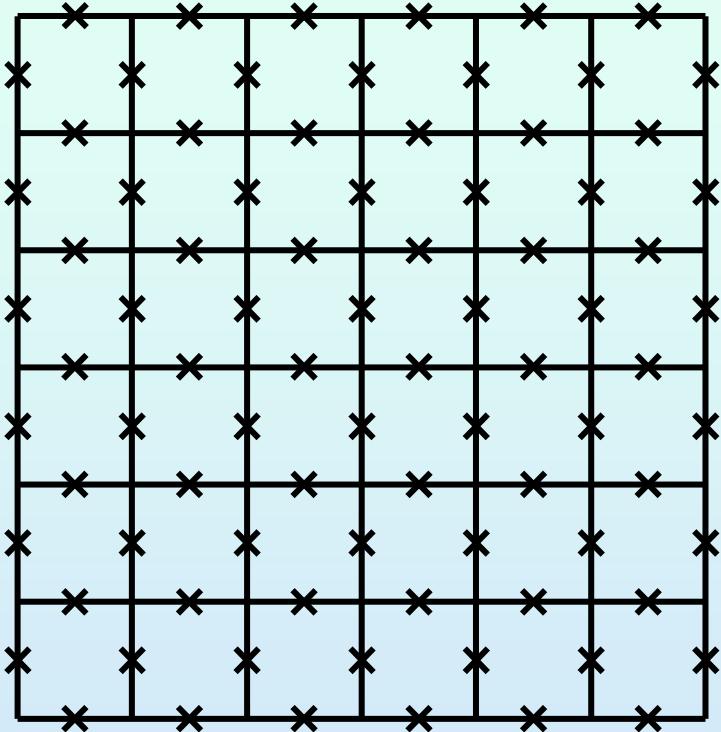
## tunable- $\alpha$ qubit coupled to low Q oscillator

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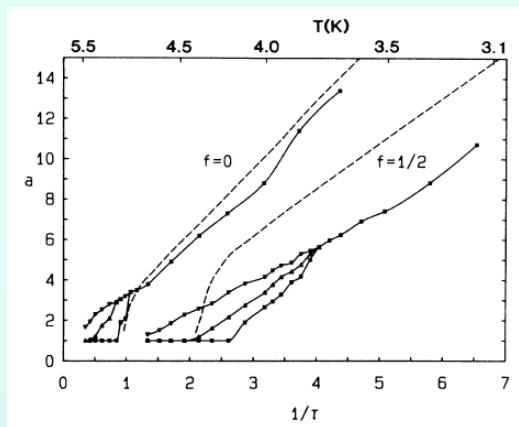


vacuum Rabi oscillation around symmetry point

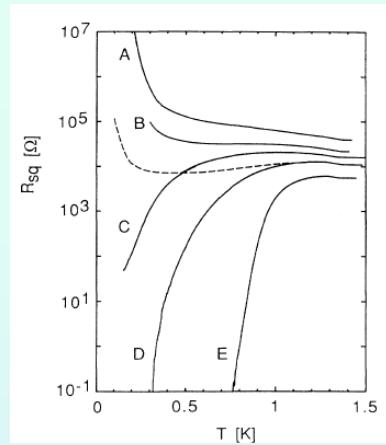
**quantum vortices  
in 2D or quasi-1D array of Josephson junctions**



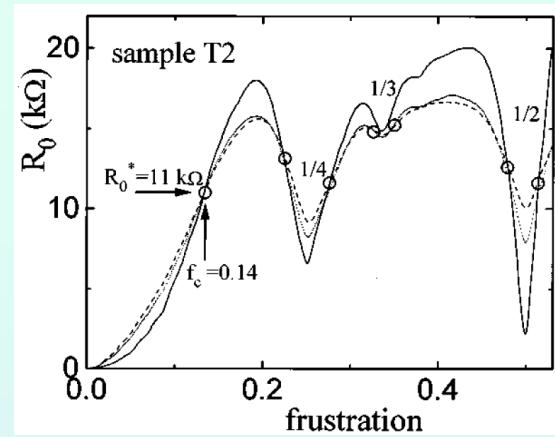
**vortex in 2D Josephson junction array:  
particle moving in 2D potential  $E_j$ ,  
mass determined by junction capacitance  $1/E_c$**



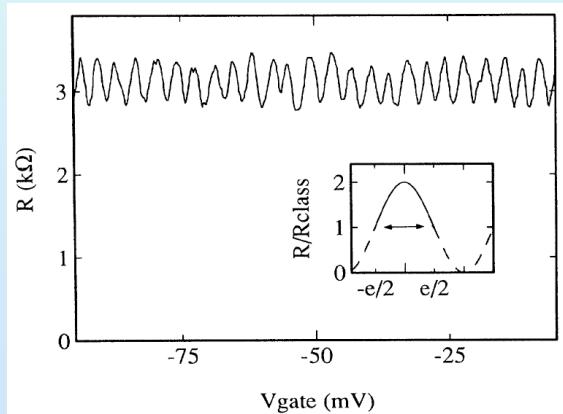
**Berezinskii, Kosterlitz,Thouless transition**  
PRB 35, 7291 (1987)



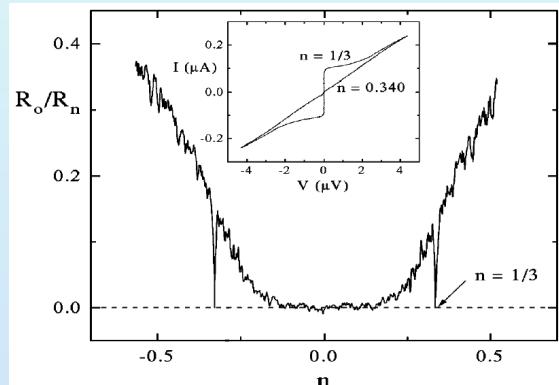
**superconductor-insulator transition  $E_J/E_C$**   
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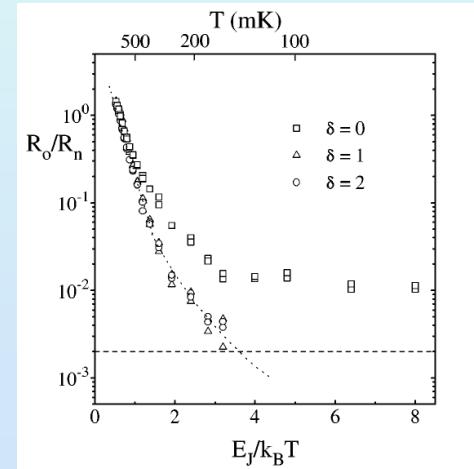
**Bose Einstein condensation**  
PRL 69, 2971 (1992)



**quantum interference around charge**  
PRL 71, 2311 (1993)



**Mott insulator**  
PRL 76, 4947 (1996)



**Anderson localization**  
PRL 77, 4257 (1996)

## Quantum spin chains and Majorana states in arrays of coupled qubits

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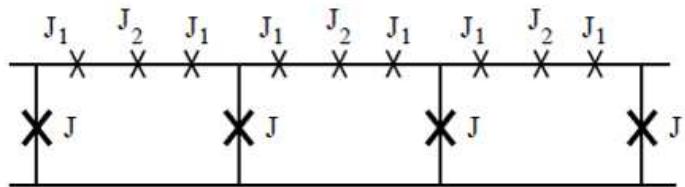
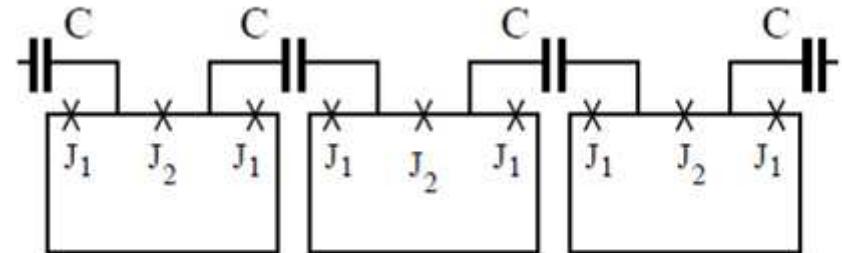
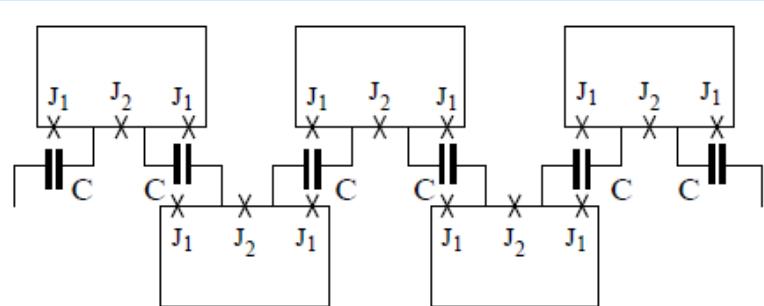


FIG. 2. 1D array of qubits coupled by shared Josephson junctions: a realization of the  $\sigma_1^z \sigma_2^z$  interaction.



$$\mathcal{H} = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} t(\sigma_i^+ \sigma_{i+1}^- + \sigma_i^- \sigma_{i+1}^+) - (\Delta \sigma_i^x + h \sigma_i^z)$$

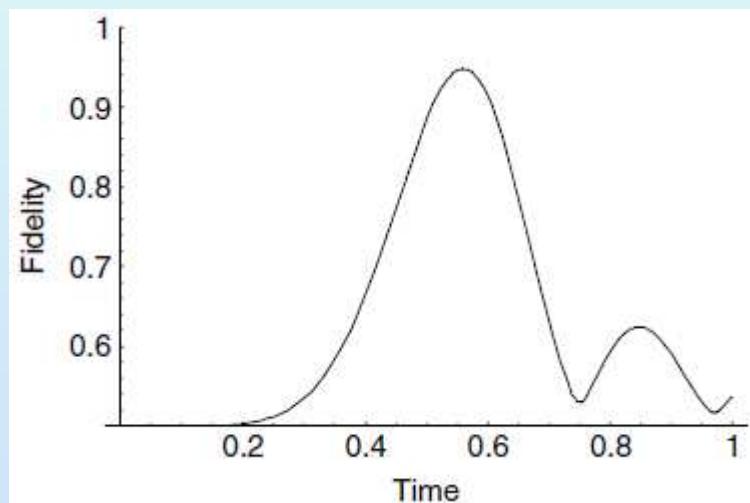


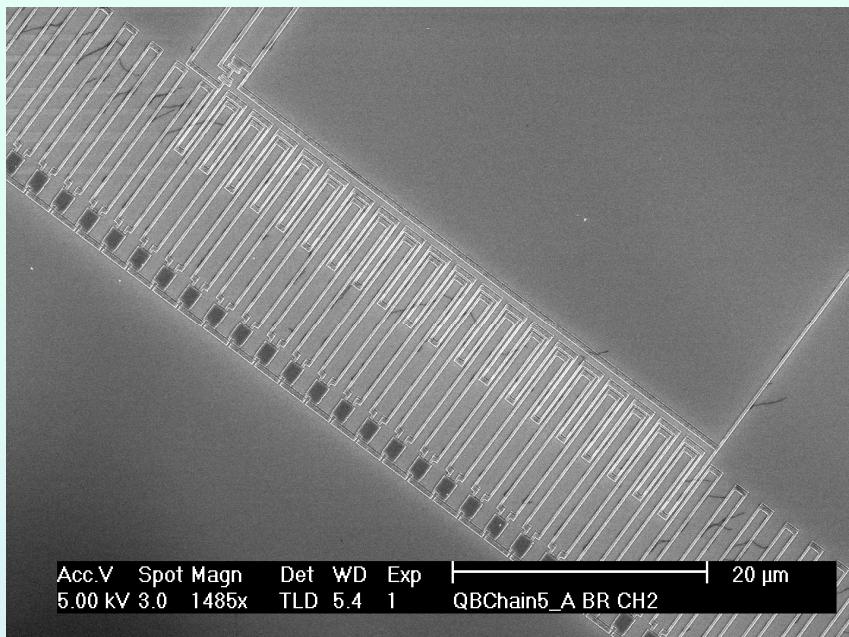
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# Quantum state transfer in arrays of flux qubits

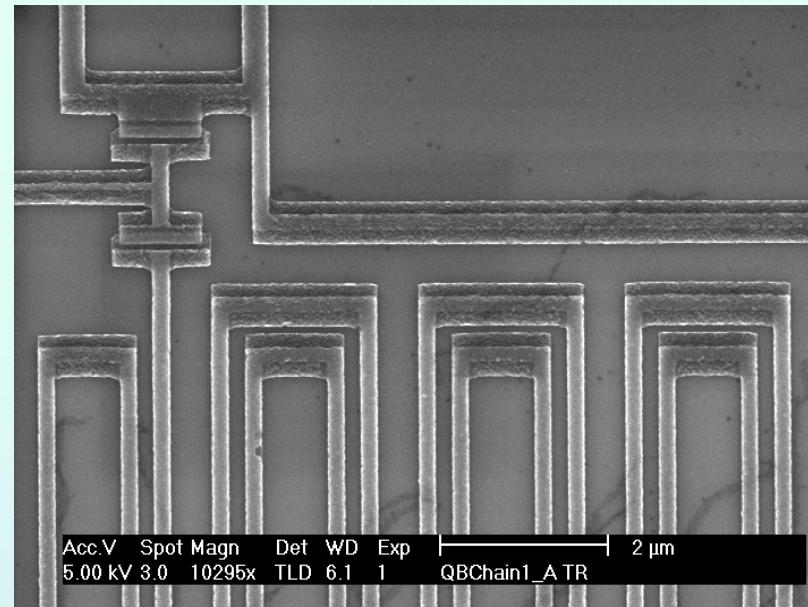
A Lyakhov and C Bruder    **New J of Phys 7, 181 (2005)**

chain of flux qubits: excitation at one end, readout at the other end

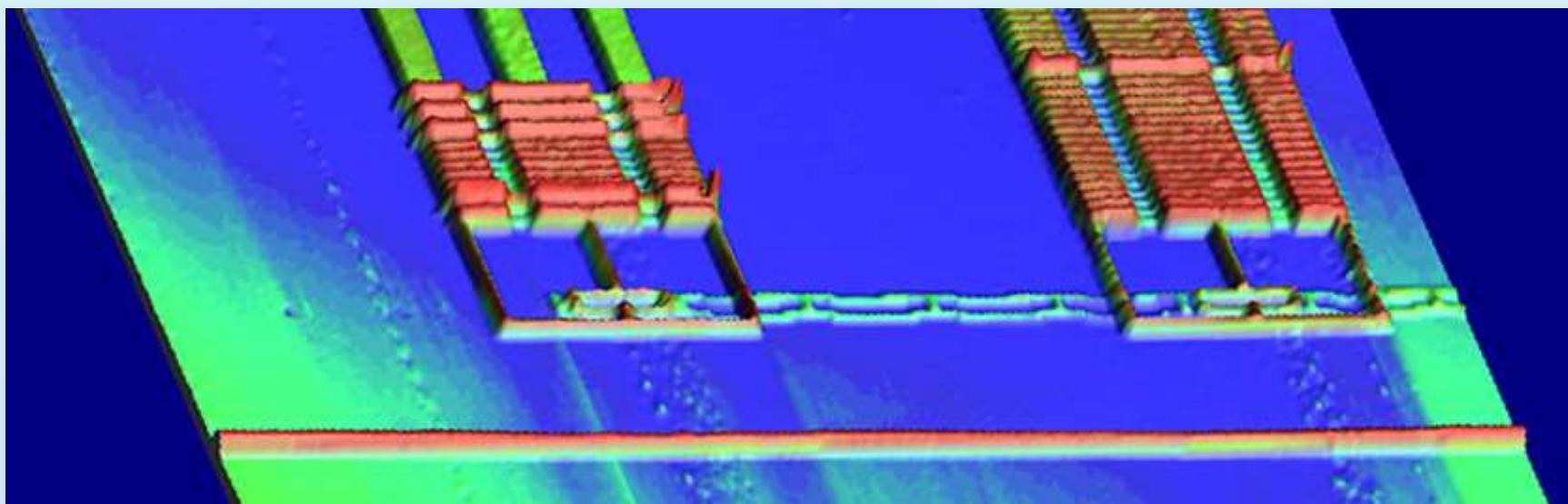


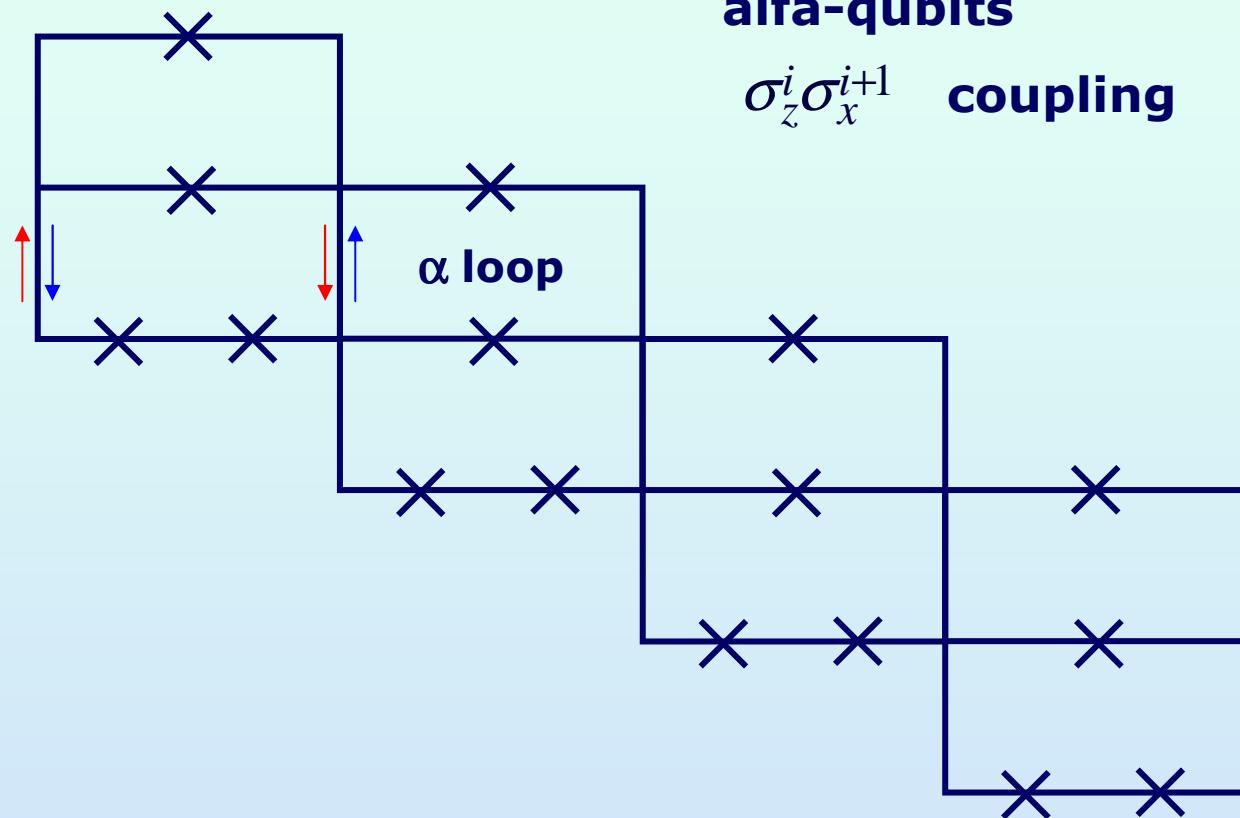


**Floor Paauw, Delft**

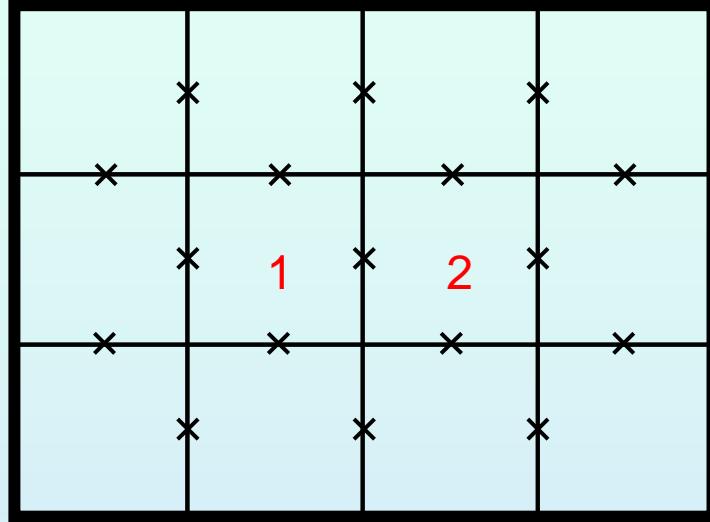


**1D coupled chains of flux qubits**

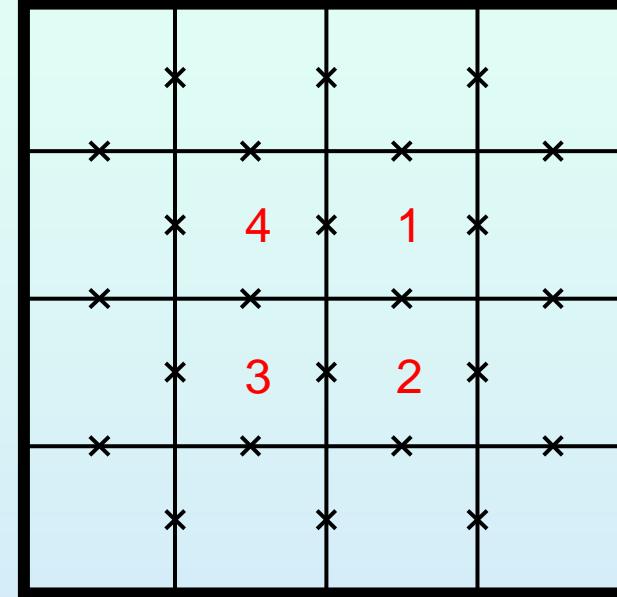




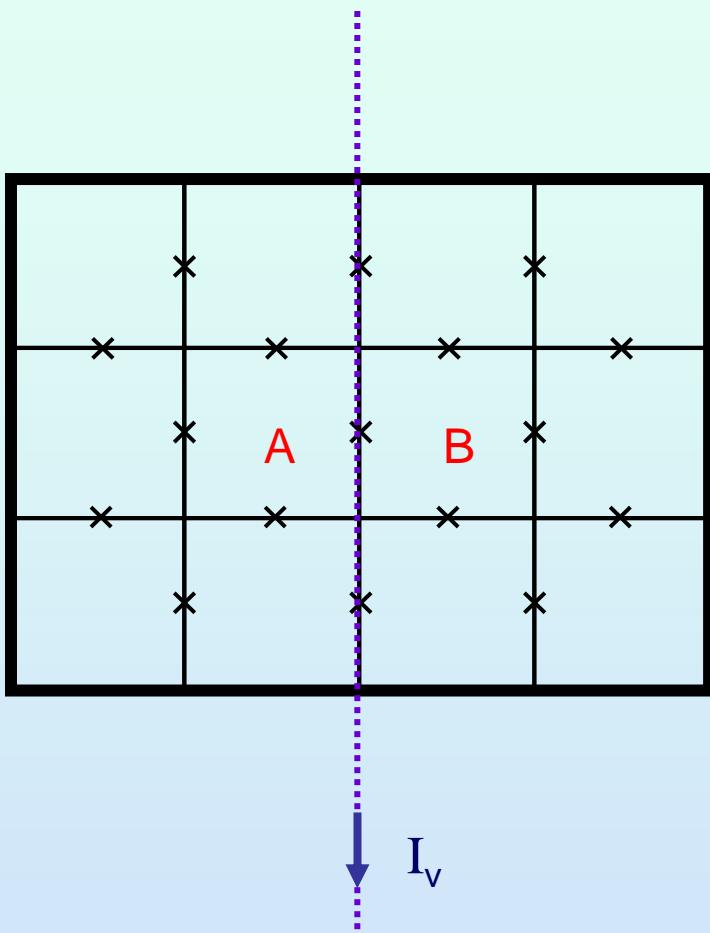
## trapped vortex in junction array



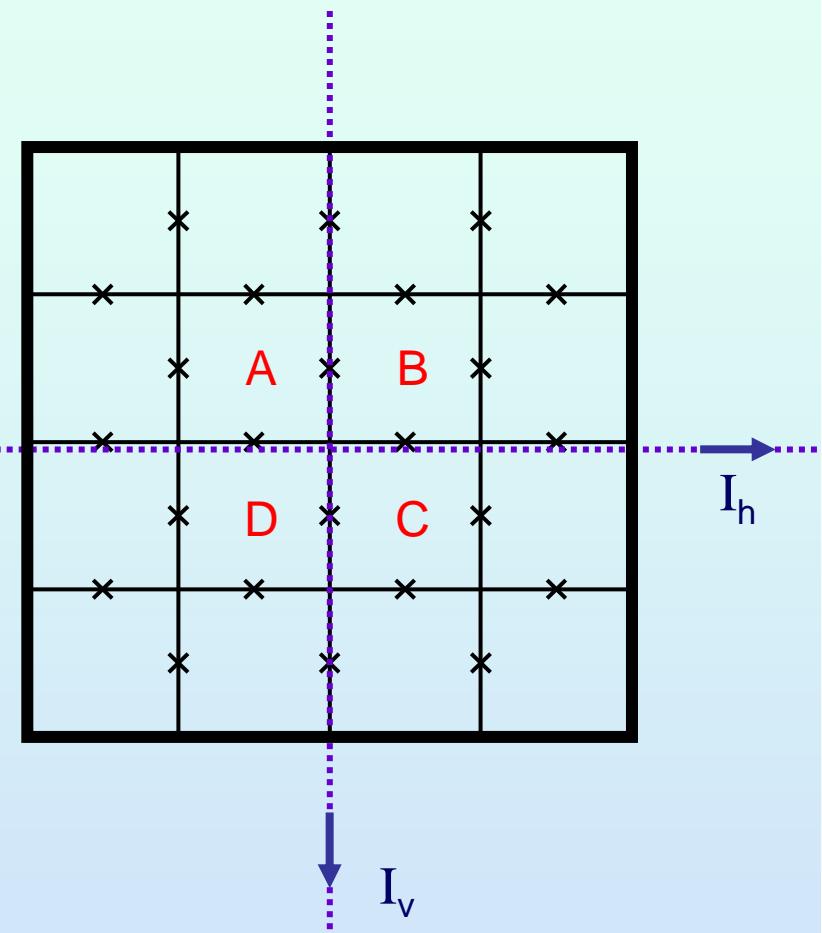
2 degenerate states



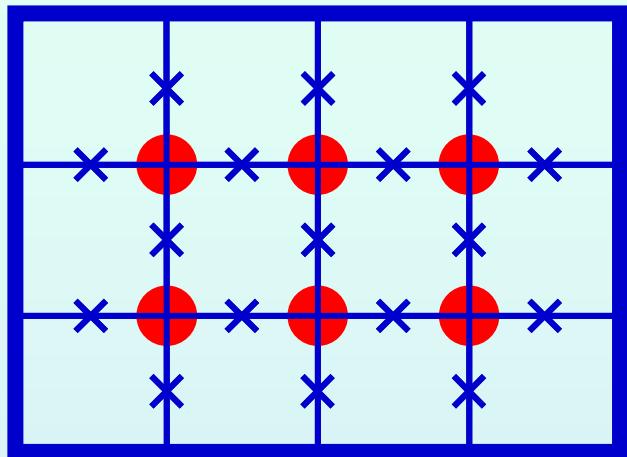
4 degenerate states



2 degenerate states

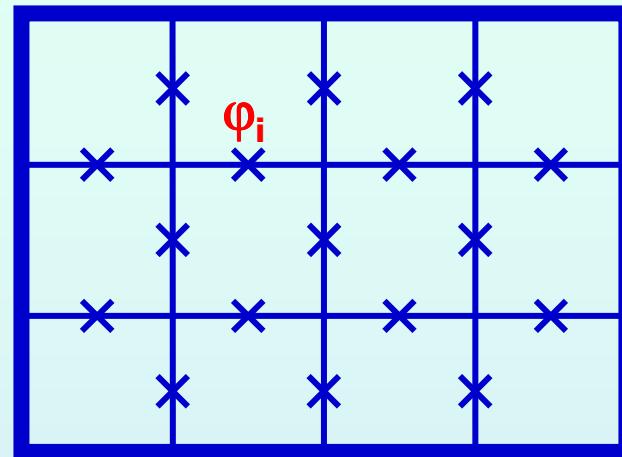


4 degenerate states



6 charge variables

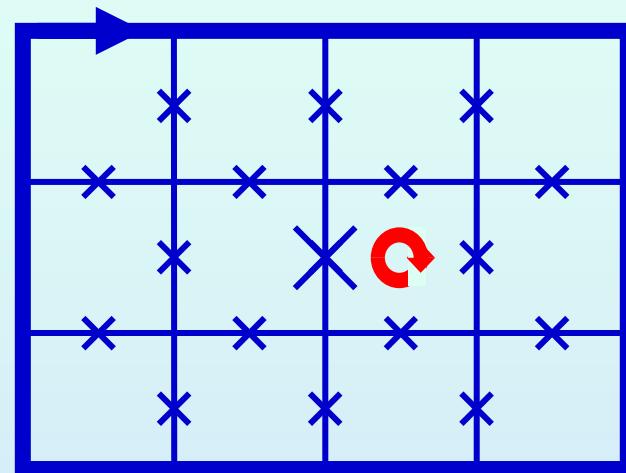
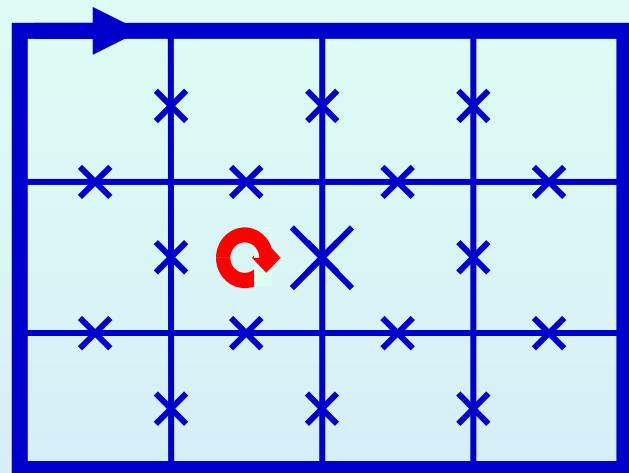
$$E_C \gg E_J$$



17 junctions  
 (12-1) loop equations  
 6 phase variables  
 $E_J \gg E_C$

if vertical symmetry is assumed:  
 3 variables

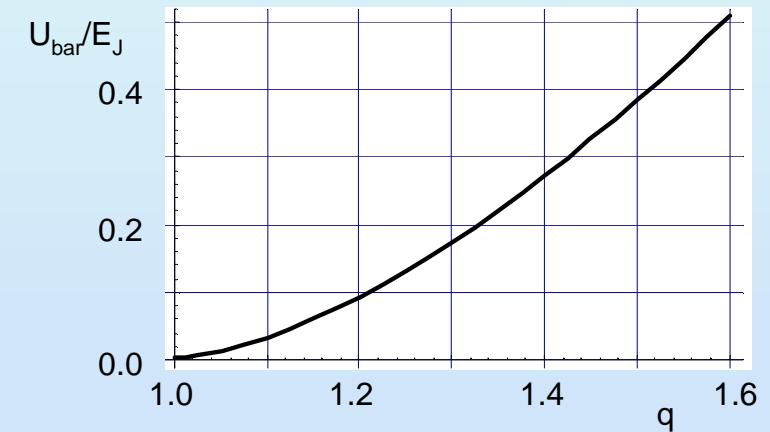
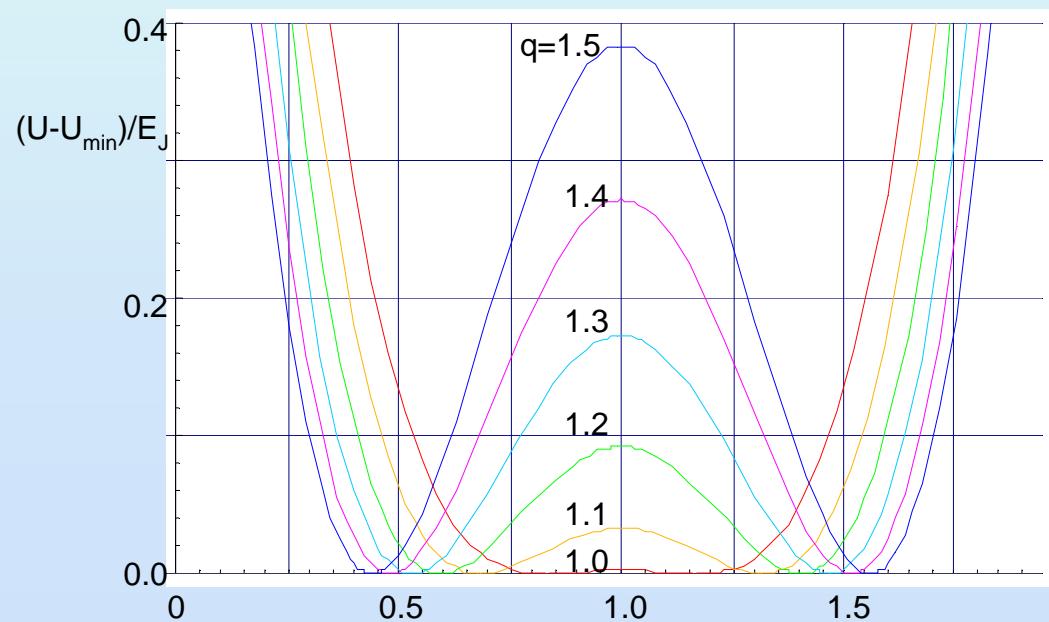
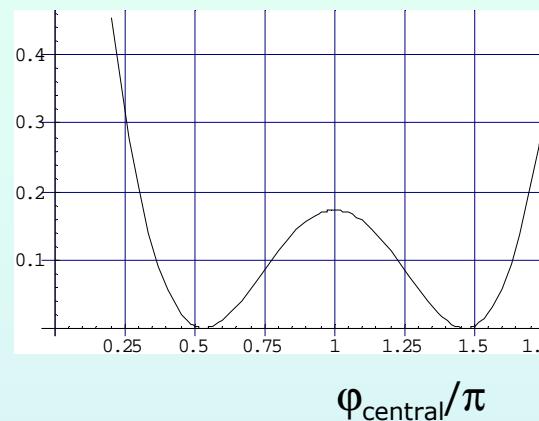
**trapped fluxoid: two positions  
central junction q times larger**



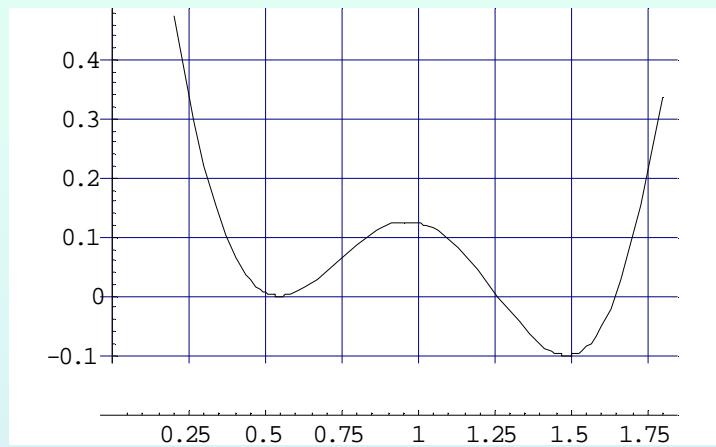
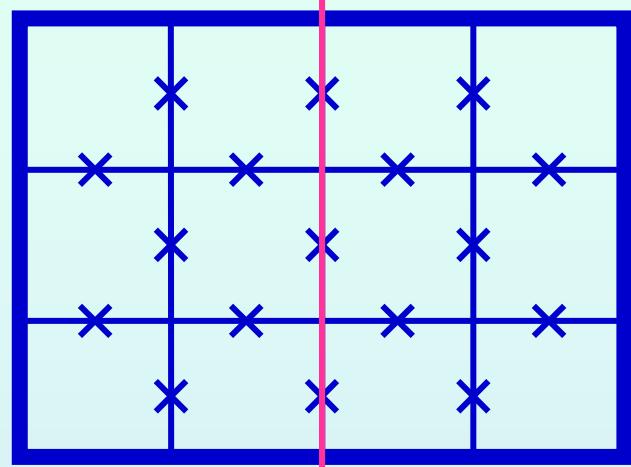
potential energy in phase landscape, symmetric solution  
 phase difference across central junction imposed, rest optimized

potential energy/ $E_J$

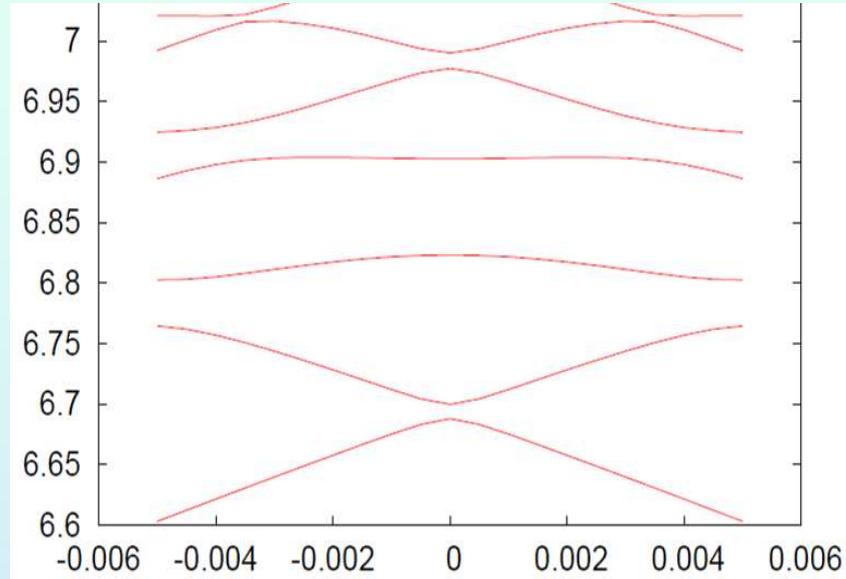
$q=1.3$



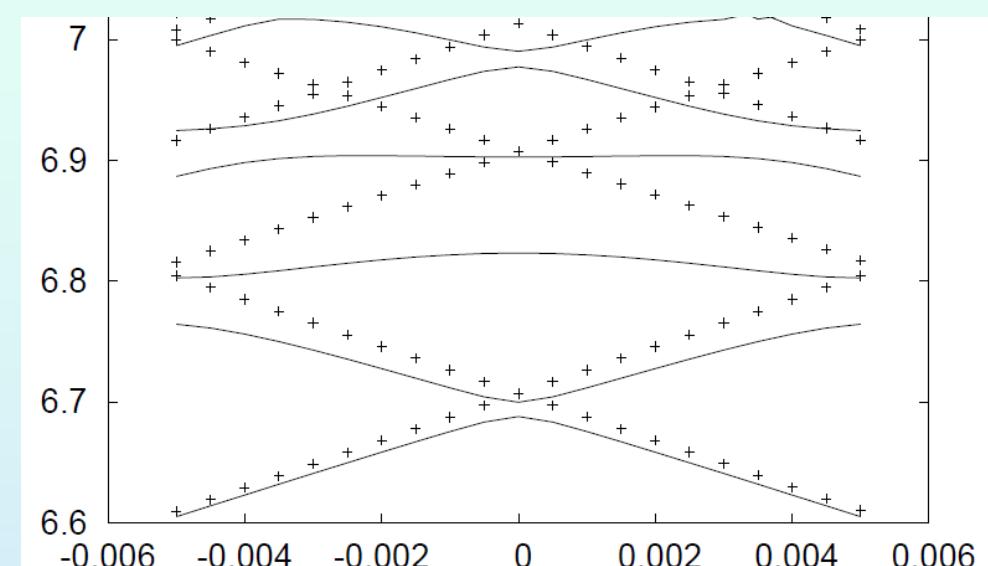
flux tilt



quantum calculation (Jos Thijssen et al.)



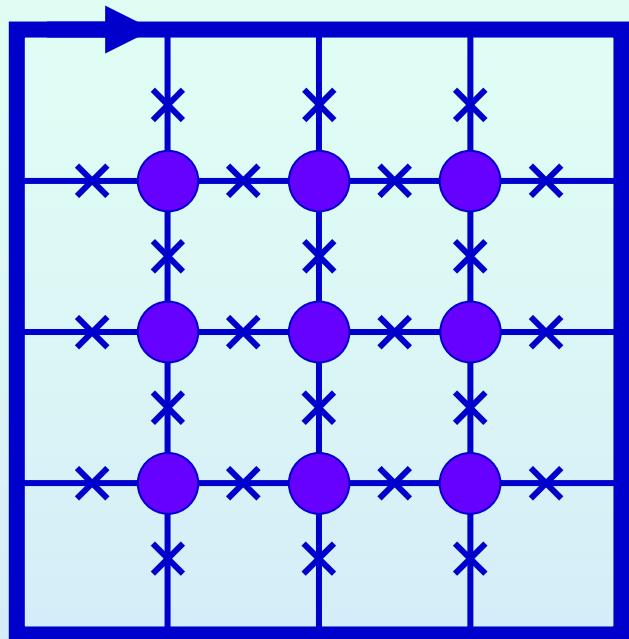
classical : crosses



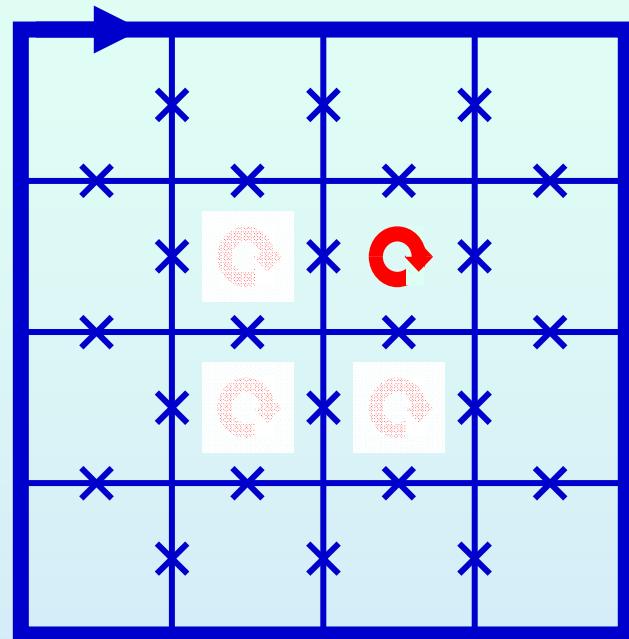
$q=1.3, m=5$ , symmetric case (3 degrees of freedom)

↑  
**energy**      **current tilt →**

## square array with one trapped fluxoid

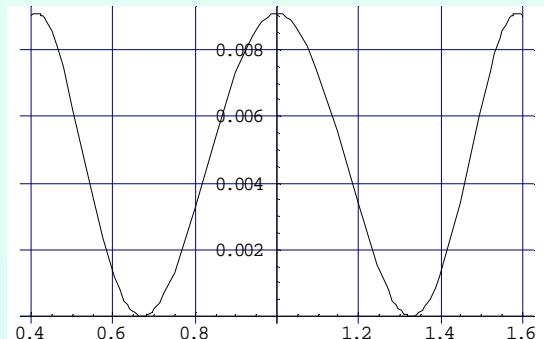


9 degrees of freedom

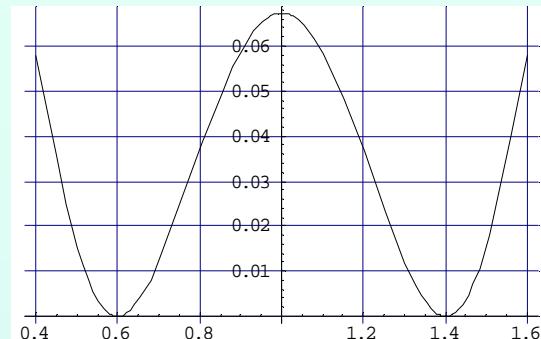


4 equivalent fluxoid positions

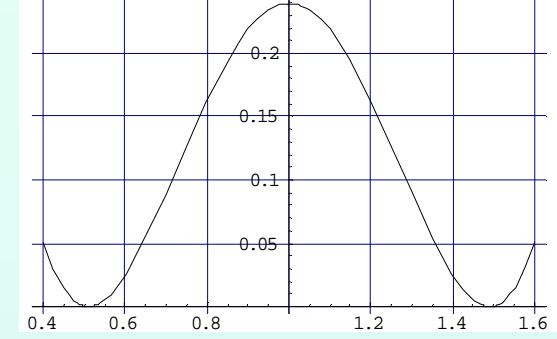
$q=0.6$



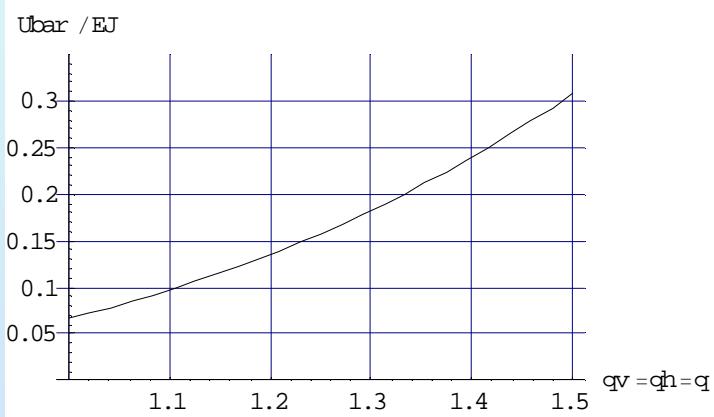
$q=1.0$



$q=1.4$

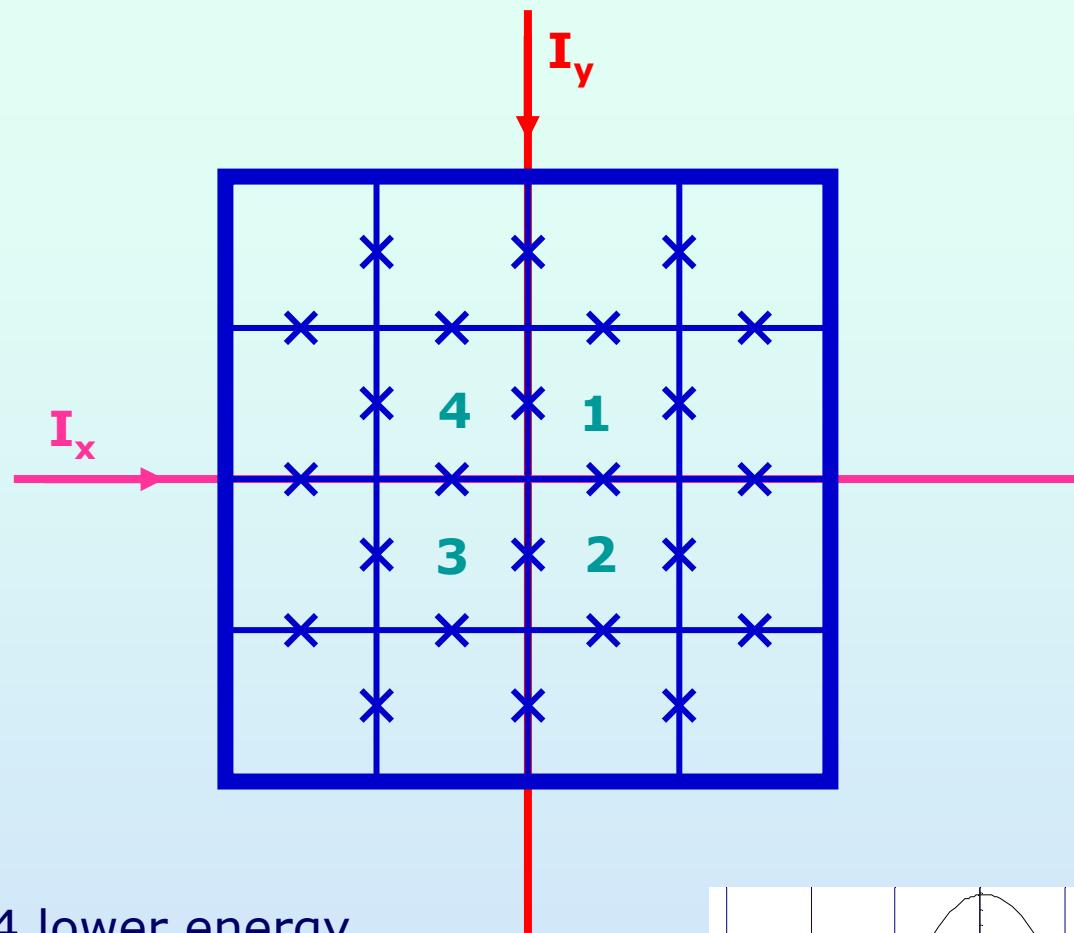


barrier as a function of central junction strength



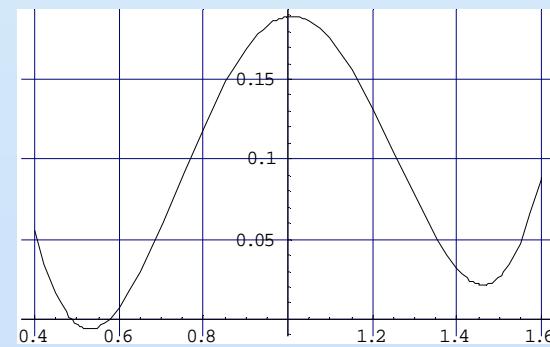
barriers

center junctions  $q$  times larger  
than other junctions

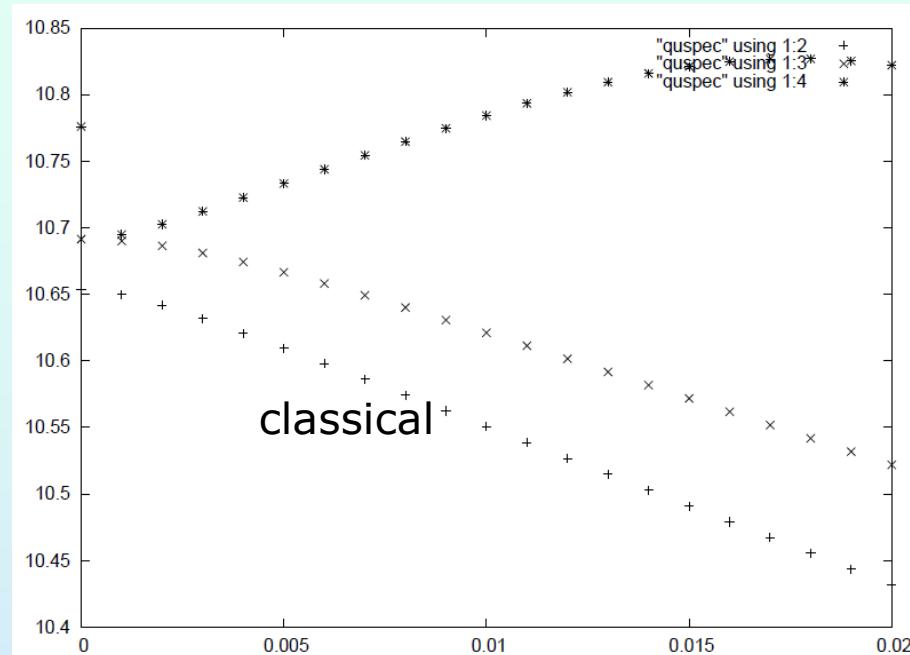


$I_x > 0$ : 1 and 4 lower energy

$I_y > 0$ : 1 and 2 lower energy



**energy**

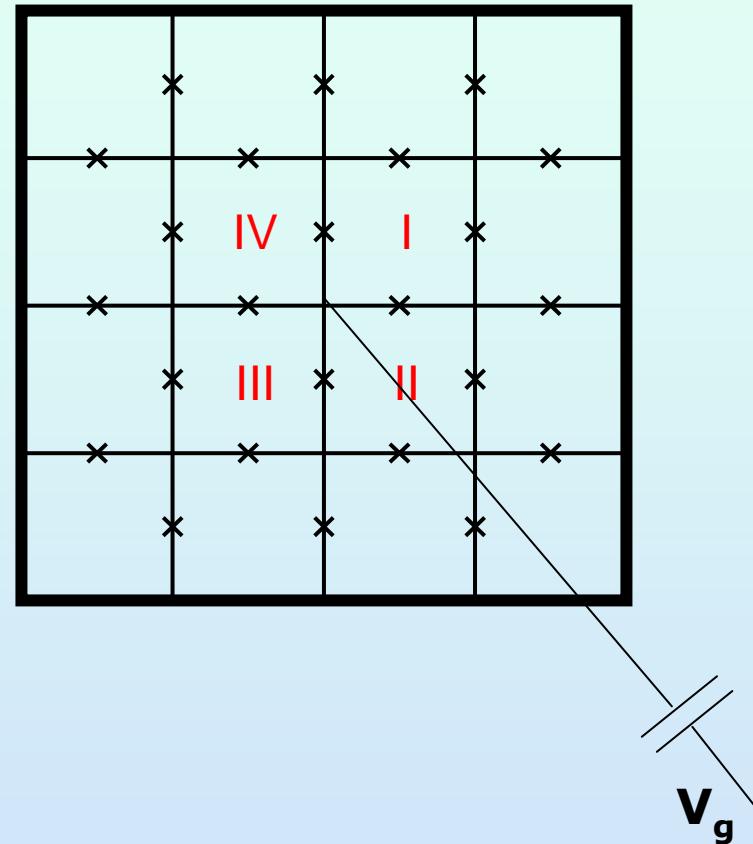
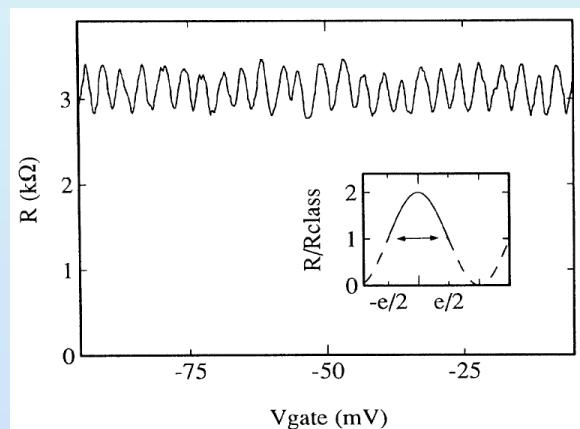
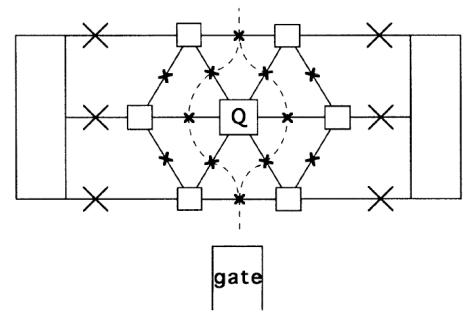


**tilt induced by current**

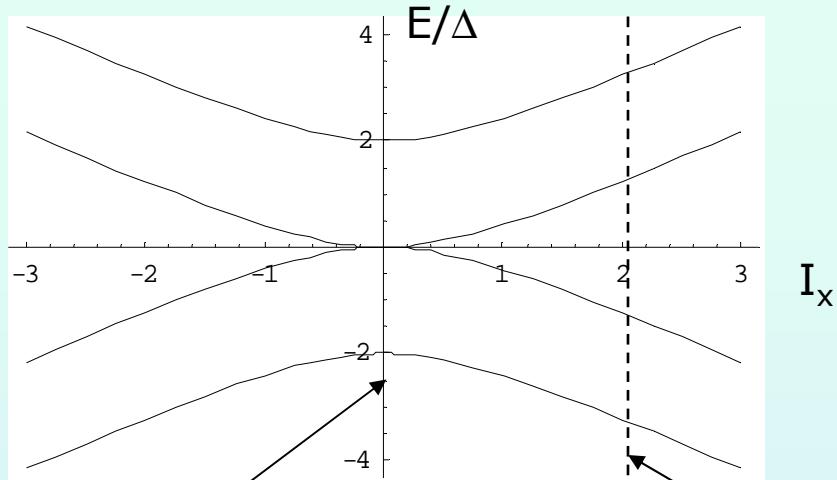
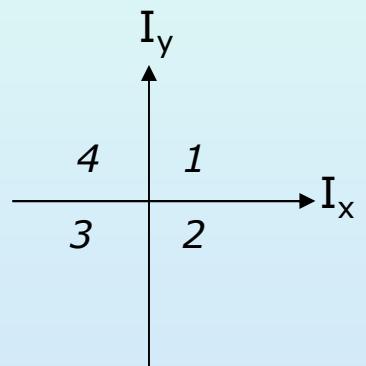
**quantum calculation Jos Thijssen, 9 degrees of freedom**

# Quantum interference of vortices around charge, Aharonov-Casher

W.J. Elion, J.J. Wachters, L.L. Sohn,  
J.E. Mooij, PRL **71**, 2311 (1993)



$$\begin{pmatrix} e_1 & \Delta & 0 & \Delta \\ \Delta & e_2 & \Delta & 0 \\ 0 & \Delta & e_3 & \Delta \\ \Delta & 0 & \Delta & e_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

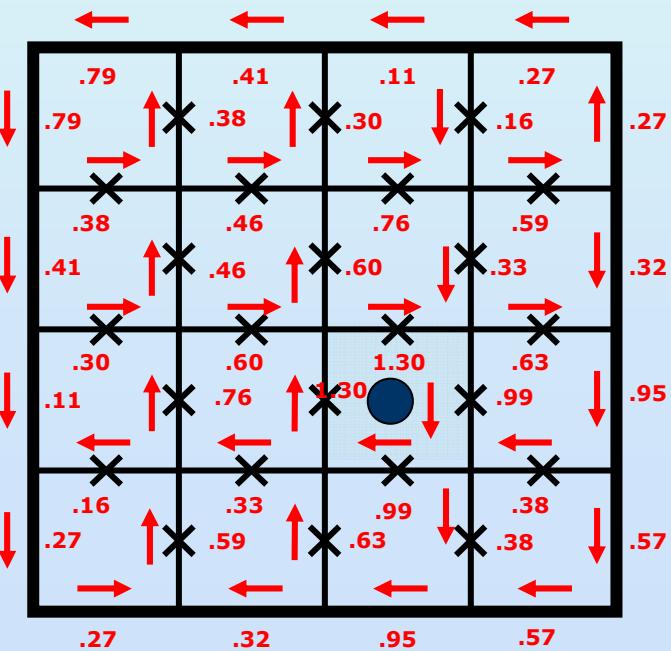
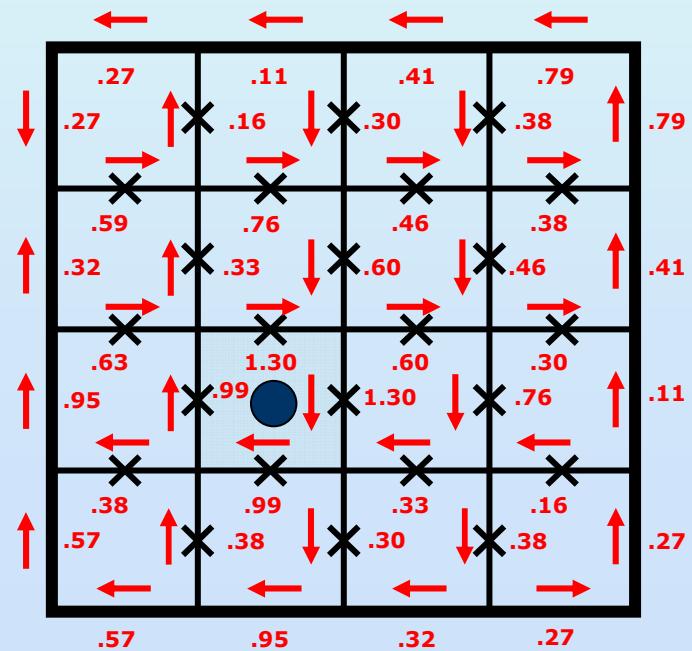
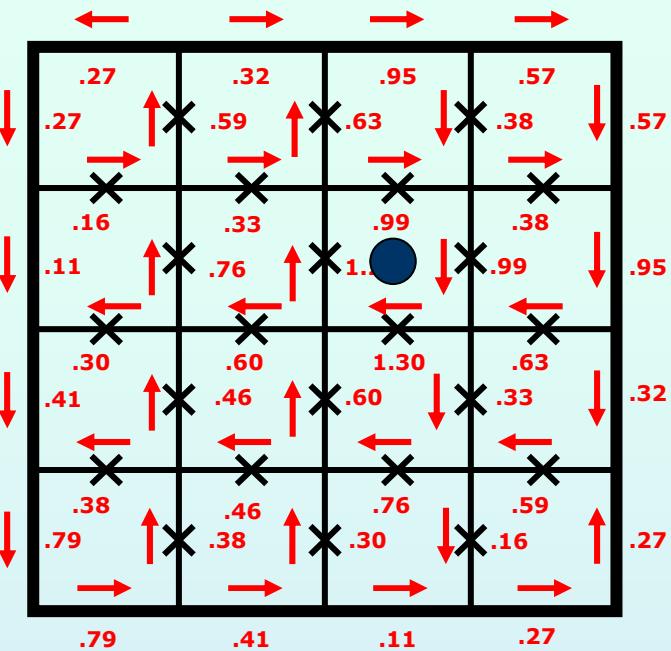
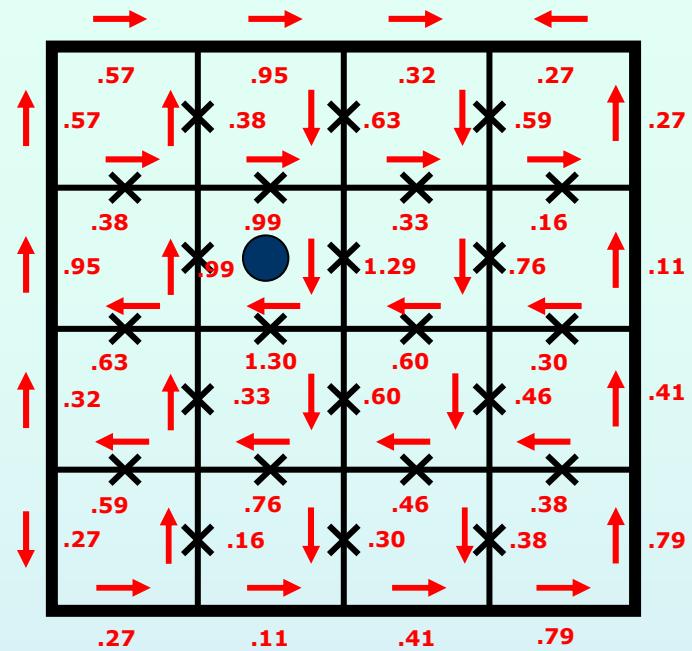


E/Δ	eigenvector
2	(-1, 1, -1, 1)
0	(-1, 0, 1, 0)
0	(0, -1, 0, 1)
-2	(1, 1, 1, 1)

$I_x=0, I_y=0$

E/Δ	eigenvector
3.2	(-1, 4.2, -4.2, 1)
1.2	(1, -4.2, -4.2, 1)
-1.2	(-4.2, -1, 1, 4.2)
-3.2	(4.2, 1, 1, 4.2)

$I_x=2, I_y=0$



**classical**

**nearest neighbor  
interaction**

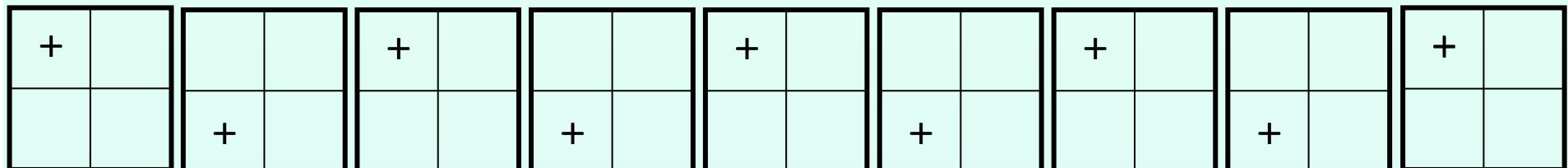
<b>a</b>	<b>b</b>
4   1	4   1
3   2	3   2

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & a=1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ b=1 & \left( \begin{array}{cccc} -1.0 & -4.9 & +3.3 & +5.6 \\ -4.9 & -1.0 & +5.6 & +3.3 \\ +2.1 & +8.9 & -1.0 & -4.9 \\ +8.9 & +2.1 & -4.9 & -1.0 \end{array} \right) \end{array}$$

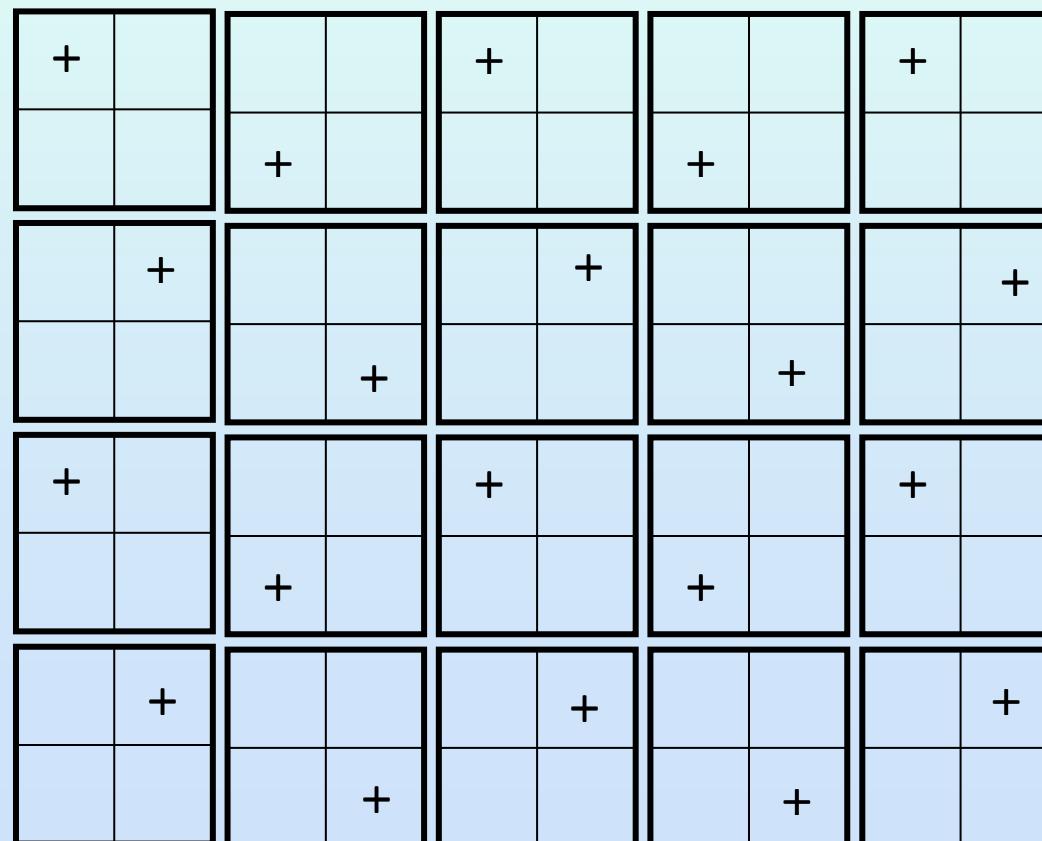
	+	+8.9	-1.0
		+2.1	-4.9

+		-1.0	+5.6
		-4.9	+3.2

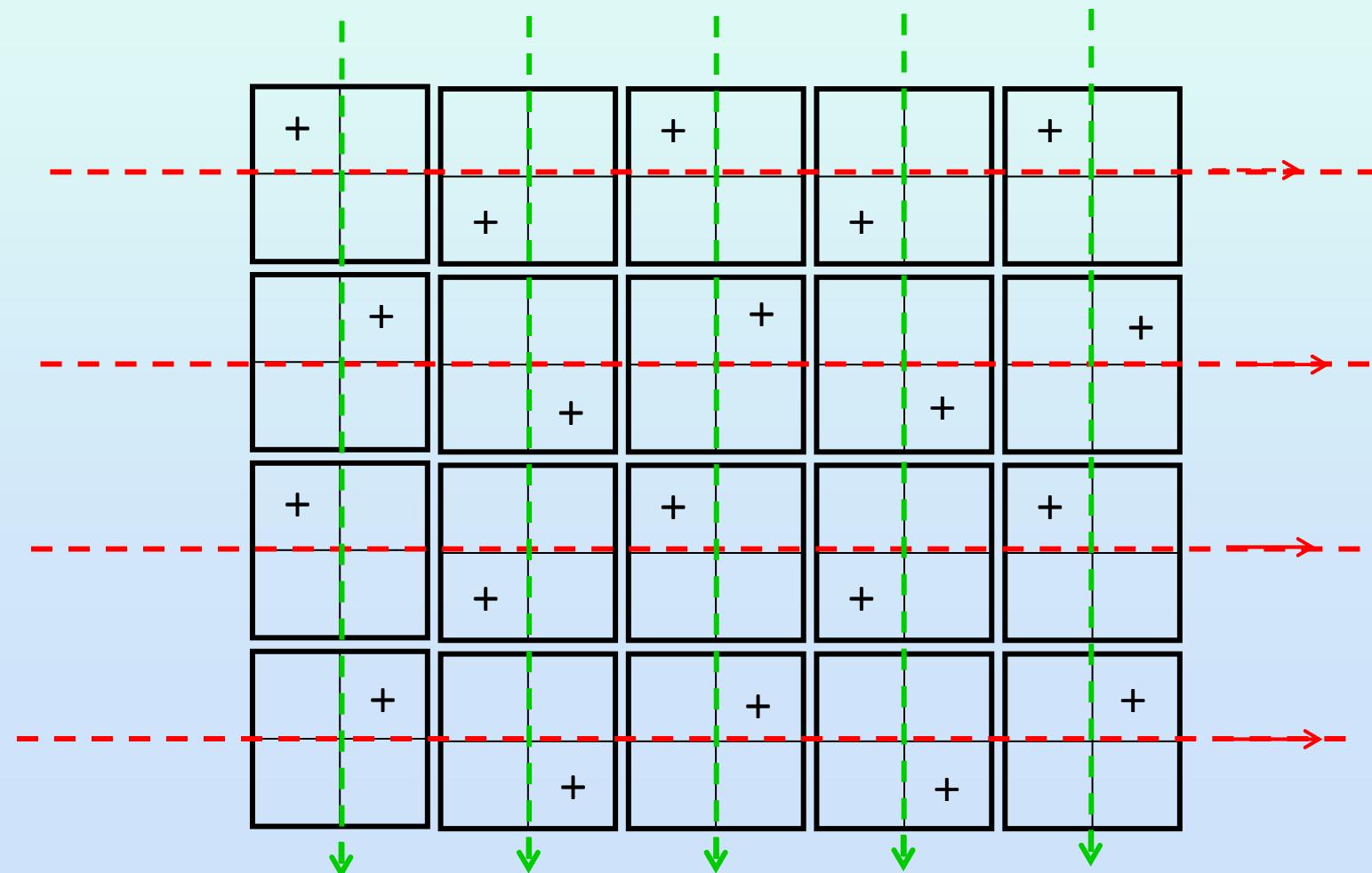
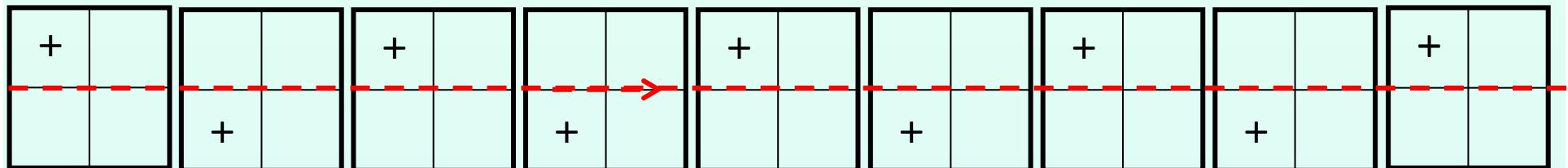
## 1D chain

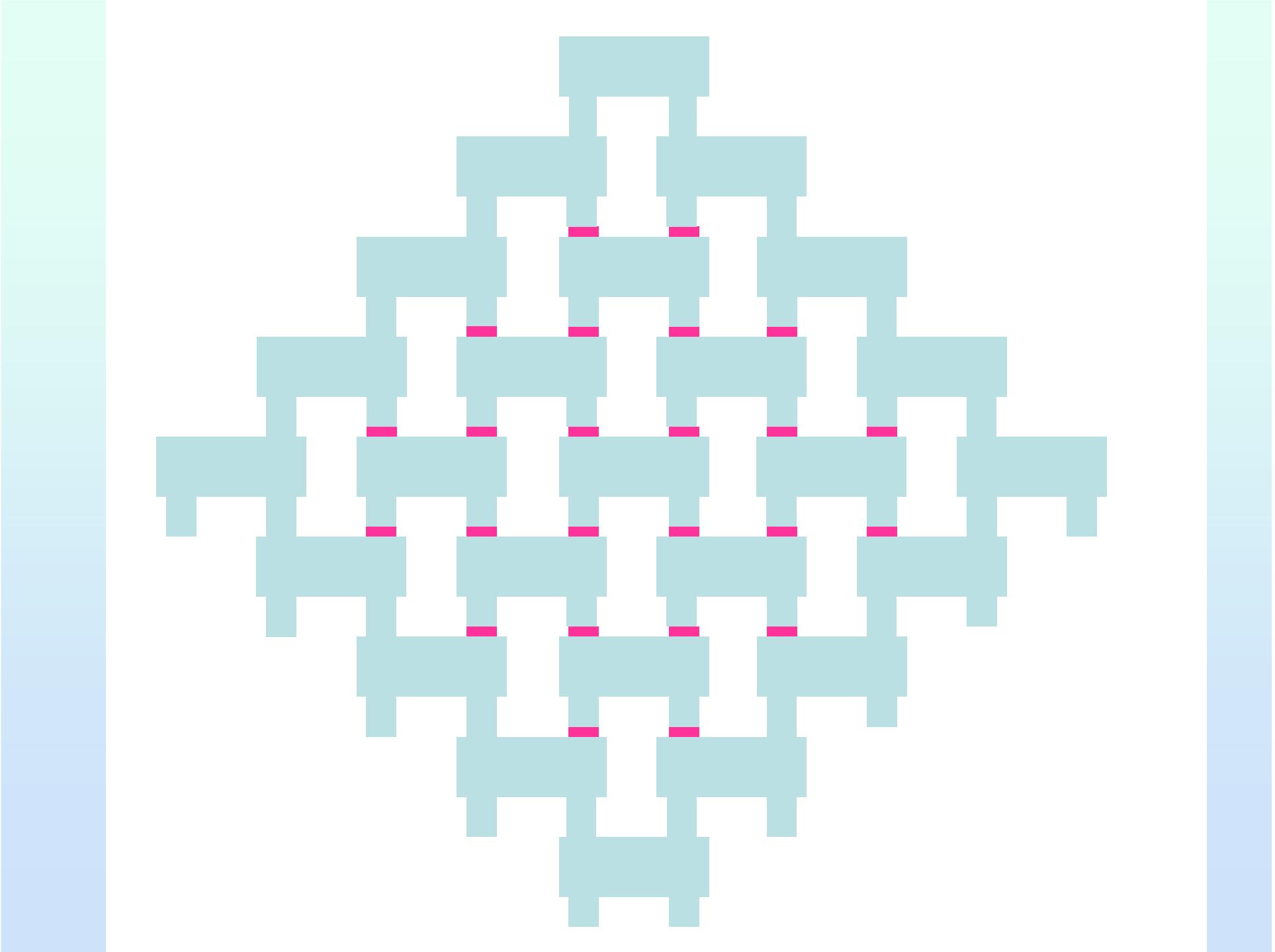


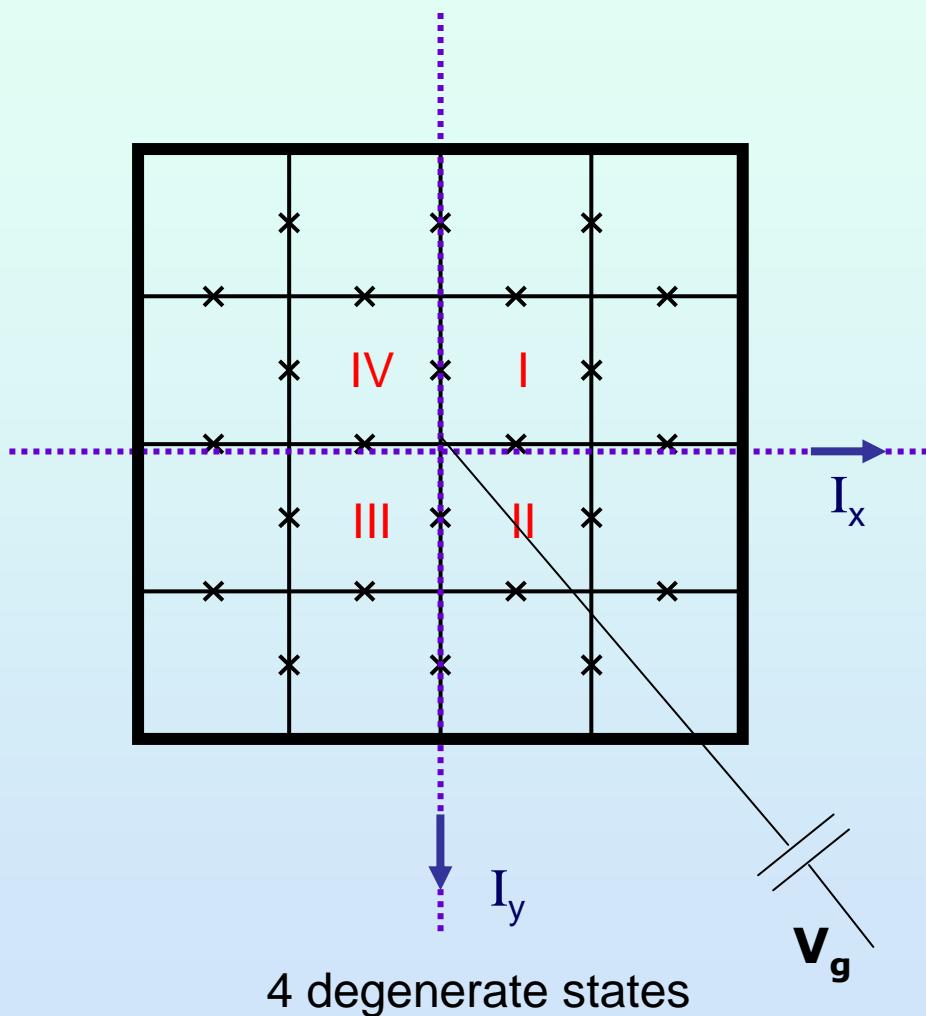
## 2D array



## 1D chain







**Berry phase**

$H(p_1, p_2)$

**make closed loop through parameter space**

**wave function picks up geometric phase and dynamical phase**

**retrace loop backwards to eliminate dynamical phase, but do something smart to double geometric phase**

**e-change on island charge?**