

# Noisy quantum measurement of solid-state qubits: Bayesian approach

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- Bayesian formalism for entangled qubits

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- Bell-type experiment
- Quantum feedback for a qubit
- Entanglement by measurement
- Quadratic quantum detection

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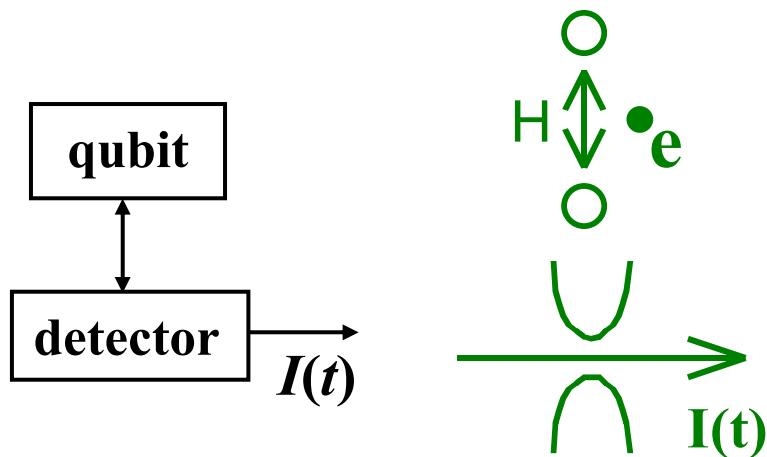


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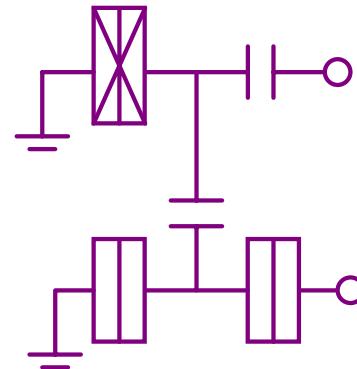


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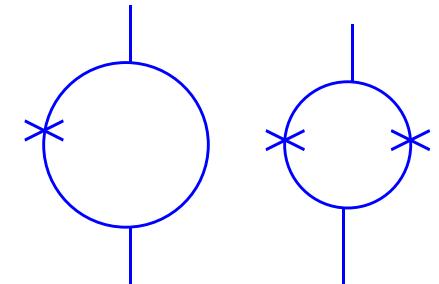
# Examples of solid-state qubits and detectors



Double-quantum-qot  
and quantum point  
contact (QPC)



Cooper-pair box  
and single-electron  
transistor (SET)



Two SQUIDs

$$H = H_{QB} + H_{DET} + H_{INT}$$

$$H_{QB} = (\varepsilon/2)(c_1^+ c_1 - c_2^+ c_2) + H(c_1^+ c_2 + c_2^+ c_1) \quad \varepsilon - \text{asymmetry, } H - \text{tunneling}$$

$$\Omega = (4H^2 + \varepsilon^2)^{1/2} - \text{frequency of quantum coherent (Rabi) oscillations}$$

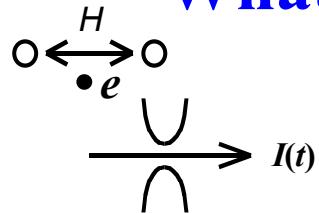
Two levels of average detector current:  $I_1$  for qubit state  $|1\rangle$ ,  $I_2$  for  $|2\rangle$

Response:  $\Delta I = I_1 - I_2$

Detector noise: white, spectral density  $S_I$



# What happens to a qubit state during measurement?



For simplicity (for a moment)  $H=\epsilon=0$ , infinite barrier (frozen qubit), evolution due to measurement only

“Orthodox” answer

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\quad} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\quad} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$|1\rangle$  or  $|2\rangle$ , depending on the result

“Conventional” (decoherence) answer (Leggett, Zurek)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\exp(-\Gamma t)}{2} \\ \frac{\exp(-\Gamma t)}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

no measurement result! ensemble averaged

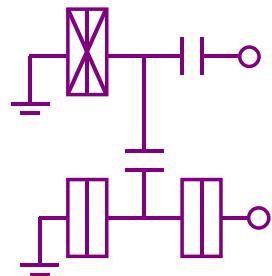
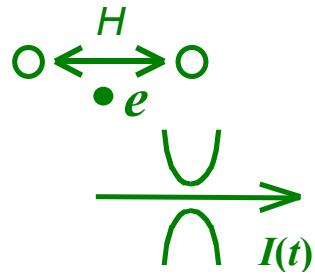
Orthodox and decoherence answers contradict each other!

applicable for:	Single quantum systems	Continuous measurements
Orthodox	yes	no
Conventional (ensemble)	no	yes
Bayesian	yes	yes

Bayesian formalism describes gradual collapse of single quantum systems  
Noisy detector output  $I(t)$  should be taken into account



# Bayesian formalism for a single qubit



$$\hat{H}_{QB} = \frac{\epsilon}{2}(c_1^\dagger c_1 - c_2^\dagger c_2) + H(c_1^\dagger c_2 + c_2^\dagger c_1)$$

$|1\rangle \rightarrow I_1$ ,  $|2\rangle \rightarrow I_2$

$\Delta I = I_1 - I_2$ ,  $I_0 = (I_1 + I_2)/2$ ,  $S_I$  – detector noise

$$\frac{d}{dt}\rho_{11} = -\frac{d}{dt}\rho_{22} = -2H \operatorname{Im} \rho_{12} + \rho_{11}\rho_{22} \frac{2\Delta I}{S_I} [I(t) - I_0]$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\rho_{12} = i\epsilon\rho_{12} + iH(\rho_{11} - \rho_{22}) + \rho_{12}(\rho_{11} - \rho_{22}) \frac{\Delta I}{S_I} [I(t) - I_0] - \gamma\rho_{12}$$

A.K., 1998

$$\gamma = \Gamma - (\Delta I)^2 / 4S_I, \quad \Gamma \text{ – ensemble decoherence}$$

$$\eta = 1 - \gamma/\Gamma = (\Delta I)^2 / 4S_I \Gamma \quad \text{– detector ideality (efficiency), } \eta \leq 100\%$$

For simulations:  $I(t) - I_0 \rightarrow (\rho_{22} - \rho_{11})\Delta I / 2 + \xi(t)$ ,  $S_\xi = S_I$

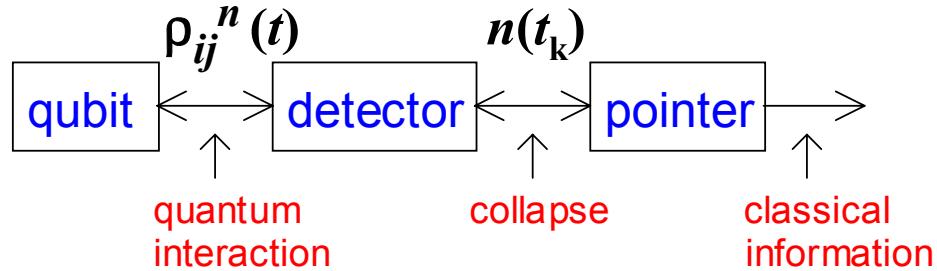
Averaging over  $\xi(t)$  † master equation

Similar formalisms developed earlier. Key words: Imprecise, weak, selective, or conditional measurements, POVM, Quantum trajectories, Quantum jumps, Restricted path integral, etc.

**Names:** E.B. Davies, K. Kraus, A.S. Holevo, C.W. Gardiner, H.J. Carmichael, C.M. Caves, M.B. Plenio, P.L. Knight, M.B. Mensky, D.F. Walls, N. Gisin, I.C. Percival, **G.J. Milburn, H.M. Wiseman**, R. Onofrio, S. Habib, A. Doherty, etc. (very incomplete list)



# “Microscopic” derivation of the Bayesian formalism



Schrödinger evolution of “qubit + detector”  
for a low- $T$  QPC as a detector (Gurvitz, 1997)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt} \rho_{11}^n &= -\frac{I_1}{e} \rho_{11}^n + \frac{I_1}{e} \rho_{11}^{n-1} - 2 \frac{H}{\hbar} \text{Im} \rho_{12}^n \\ \frac{d}{dt} \rho_{22}^n &= -\frac{I_2}{e} \rho_{22}^n + \frac{I_2}{e} \rho_{22}^{n-1} + 2 \frac{H}{\hbar} \text{Im} \rho_{12}^n \\ \frac{d}{dt} \rho_{12}^n &= i \frac{\epsilon}{\hbar} \rho_{12}^n + i \frac{H}{\hbar} (\rho_{11}^n - \rho_{22}^n) - \frac{I_1 + I_2}{2e} \rho_{12}^n + \frac{\sqrt{I_1 I_2}}{e} \rho_{12}^{n-1}\end{aligned}$$

If  $H = \epsilon = 0$ , it leads to

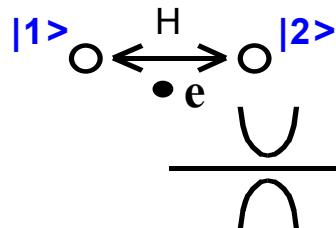
$$\rho_{11}(t) = \frac{\rho_{11}(0)P_1(n)}{\rho_{11}(0)P_1(n) + \rho_{22}(0)P_2(n)}, \quad \rho_{22}(t) = \frac{\rho_{22}(0)P_2(n)}{\rho_{11}(0)P_1(n) + \rho_{22}(0)P_2(n)}$$

$$\rho_{12}(t) = \rho_{12}(0) \frac{[\rho_{11}(t)\rho_{22}(t)]^{1/2}}{[\rho_{11}(0)\rho_{22}(0)]^{1/2}}, \quad P_i(n) = \frac{(I_i t / e)^n}{n!} \exp(-I_i t / e),$$

which are exactly quantum Bayes formulas



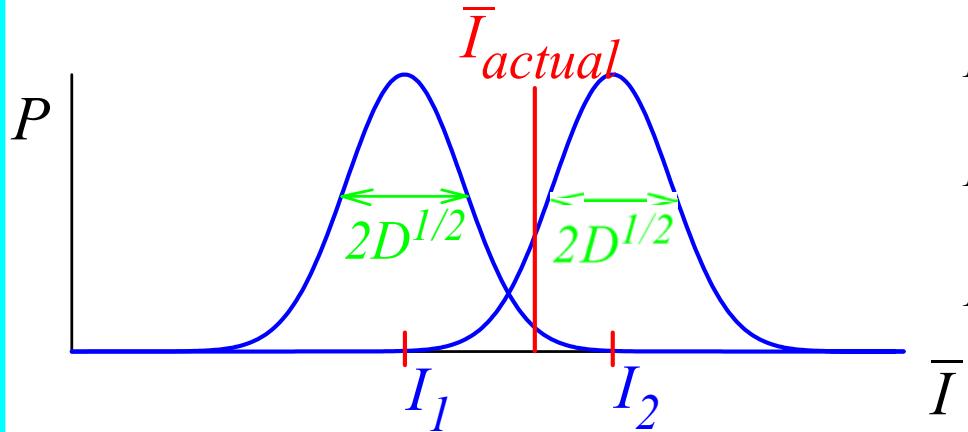
# "Quantum Bayes theorem" (ideal detector assumed)



$H = \varepsilon = 0$  (frozen qubit)

Initial state:  $\begin{pmatrix} \rho_{11}(0) & \rho_{12}(0) \\ \rho_{21}(0) & \rho_{22}(0) \end{pmatrix}$

Measurement (during time  $\tau$ ):



After the measurement during time  $\tau$ , the probabilities can be updated using the standard Bayes formula:

Quantum Bayes formulas:

$$\rho_{11}(\tau) = \frac{\rho_{11}(0) \exp[-(\bar{I} - I_1)^2 / 2D]}{\rho_{11}(0) \exp[-(\bar{I} - I_1)^2 / 2D] + \rho_{22}(0) \exp[-(\bar{I} - I_2)^2 / 2D]}$$

$$\frac{\rho_{12}(\tau)}{[\rho_{12}(\tau) \rho_{22}(\tau)]^{1/2}} = \frac{\rho_{12}(0)}{[\rho_{12}(0) \rho_{22}(0)]^{1/2}}, \quad \rho_{22}(\tau) = 1 - \rho_{11}(\tau)$$

$$\bar{I} \equiv \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau I(t) dt$$

$$P(\bar{I}, \tau) = \rho_{11}(0) P_1(\bar{I}, \tau) + \rho_{22}(0) P_2(\bar{I}, \tau)$$

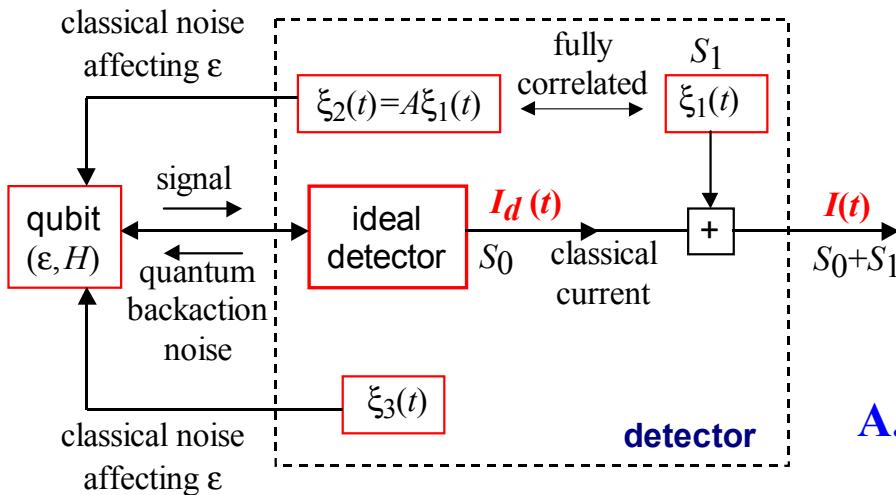
$$P_i(\bar{I}, \tau) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi D}} \exp[-(\bar{I} - I_i)^2 / 2D],$$

$$D = S_I / 2\tau, \quad |I_1 - I_2| \ll I_i, \quad \tau \gg S_I / I_i^2$$

$$P(B_i | A) = \frac{P(B_i) P(A | B_i)}{\sum_k P(B_k) P(A | B_k)}$$



# Nonideal detectors with input-output noise correlation



$$K = \frac{AS_1 + \theta S_0}{\hbar S_I}, \quad S_I = S_0 + S_1$$

$K$  – correlation between output and backaction noises

A.K., 2002

$$\frac{d}{dt} \rho_{11} = -\frac{d}{dt} \rho_{22} = -2H \operatorname{Im} \rho_{12} + \rho_{11} \rho_{22} \frac{2\Delta I}{S_I} [I(t) - I_0]$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \rho_{12} = i\epsilon \rho_{12} + iH(\rho_{11} - \rho_{22}) + \rho_{12}(\rho_{11} - \rho_{22}) \frac{\Delta I}{S_I} [I(t) - I_0] + iK[I(t) - I_0] - \tilde{\gamma} \rho_{12}$$

## Fundamental limits for ensemble decoherence

$$\Gamma = \gamma + (\Delta I)^2 / 4S_I, \quad \gamma \geq 0 \Rightarrow \Gamma \geq (\Delta I)^2 / 4S_I$$

$$\Gamma = \gamma + (\Delta I)^2 / 4S_I + K^2 S_I / 4, \quad \gamma \geq 0 \Rightarrow \Gamma \geq (\Delta I)^2 / 4S_I + K^2 S_I / 4$$

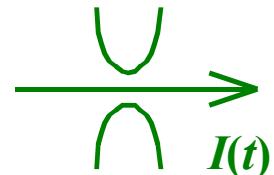
Translated into energy sensitivity:  $(\epsilon_I \epsilon_{BA})^{1/2} \geq \hbar/2$  or  $(\epsilon_I \epsilon_{BA} - \epsilon_{I,BA})^{1/2} \geq \hbar/2$



# Ideality of realistic solid-state detectors

(ideal detector does not cause single qubit decoherence)

## 1. Quantum point contact



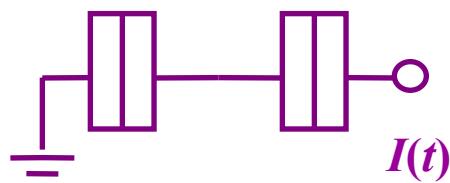
Theoretically, **ideal quantum detector,  $\eta = 1$**

A.K., 1998 (Gurvitz, 1997; Aleiner et al., 1997)

Experimentally,  $\eta > 80\%$

(using Buks et al., 1998)

## 2. SET-transistor



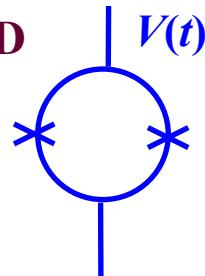
Very non-ideal in usual operation regime,  $\eta \ll 1$

Shnirman-Sch  n, 1998; A.K., 2000, Devoret-Schoelkopf, 2000

However, reaches ideality,  $\eta = 1$  if:

- in deep cotunneling regime (Averin, 2000, van den Brink, 2000)
- S-SET, using supercurrent (Zorin, 1996)
- S-SET, double-JQP peak (Clerk et al., 2002)
- ??? S-SET, usual JQP (Johansson et al.), onset of QP branch (?)
- resonant-tunneling SET, low bias (Averin, 2000)

## 3. SQUID



Can reach ideality,  $\eta = 1$

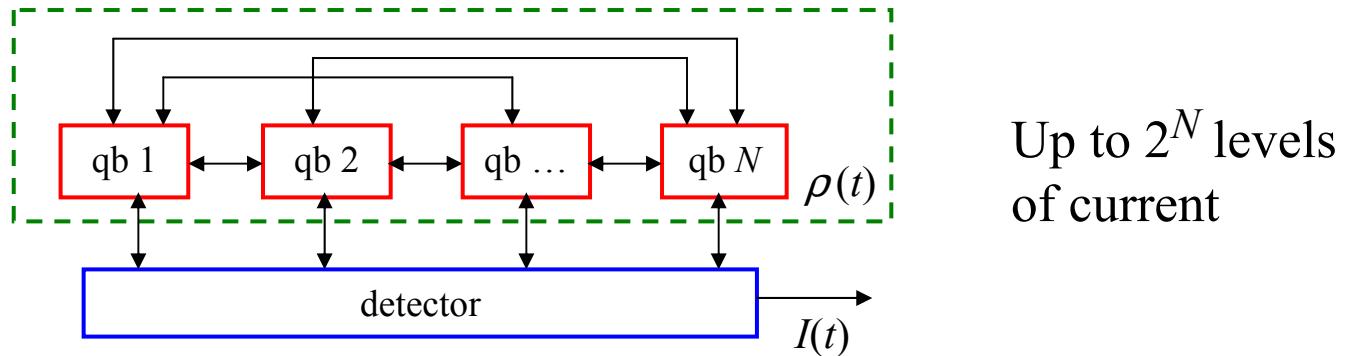
(Danilov-Likharev-Zorin, 1983;  
Averin, 2000)

## 4. FET ?? HEMT ??

ballistic FET/HEMT ??



# Bayesian formalism for $N$ entangled qubits measured by one detector



$$\frac{d}{dt} \rho_{ij} = \frac{-i}{\hbar} [\hat{H}_{qb}, \rho]_{ij} + \rho_{ij} \frac{1}{S} \sum_k \rho_{kk} [(I(t) - \frac{I_k + I_i}{2})(I_i - I_k) + (I(t) - \frac{I_k + I_j}{2})(I_j - I_k)] - \gamma_{ij} \rho_{ij} \quad (\text{Stratonovich form})$$

$$\gamma_{ij} = (\eta^{-1} - 1)(I_i - I_j)^2 / 4S_I \qquad \qquad I(t) = \sum_i \rho_{ii}(t) I_i + \xi(t)$$

Averaging over  $\xi(t)$   $\hat{\square}$  master equation

No measurement-induced dephasing between states  $|i\rangle$  and  $|j\rangle$  if  $I_i = I_j$ !

A.K., PRA 65 (2002),  
PRB 67 (2003)



# **Some experimental predictions and proposals**

- Direct experiments (1998)
- Measured spectral density of Rabi oscillations (1999, 2000, 2002)
- Bell-type correlation experiment (2000)
- Quantum feedback control of a qubit (2001)
- Entanglement by measurement (2002)
- Measurement by a quadratic detector (2003)

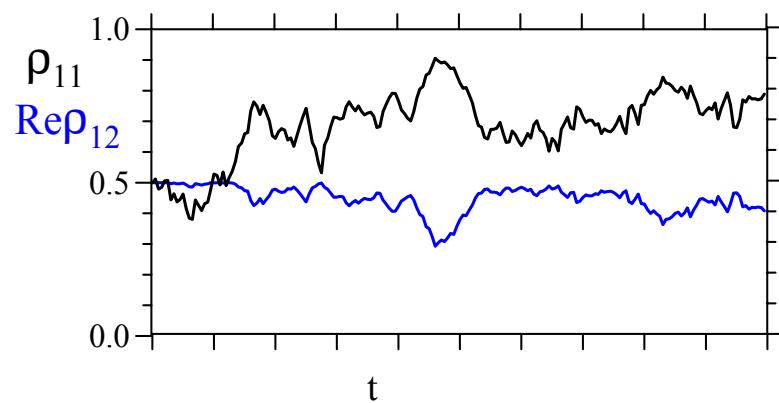


# Direct Bayesian experiments

(A.K., 1998)

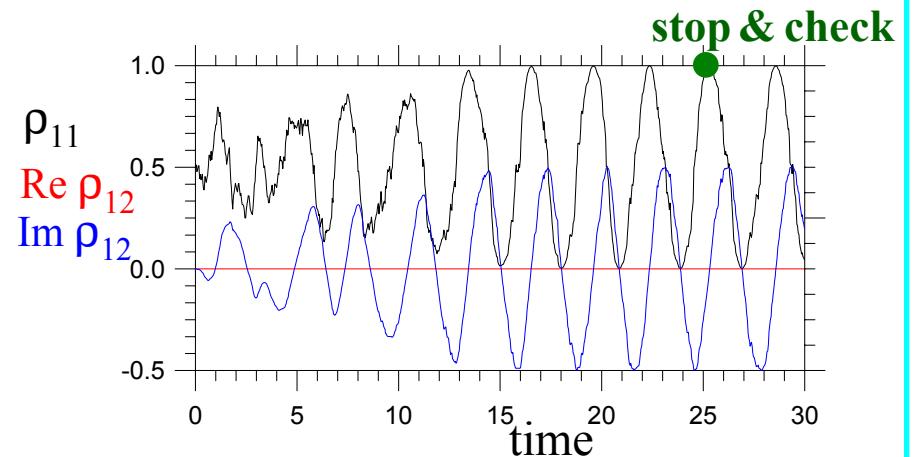
Idea: check the evolution of (almost pure!) qubit state given by Bayesian equations

## Evolution from 1/2-alive to 1/3-alive Schrödinger cat



1. Prepare coherent state and make  $H=0$ .
2. Measure for a finite time  $t$ .
3. Check the predicted wavefunction (using evolution with  $H\neq 0$  to get the state  $|1\rangle$ ).

## Density matrix purification by measurement

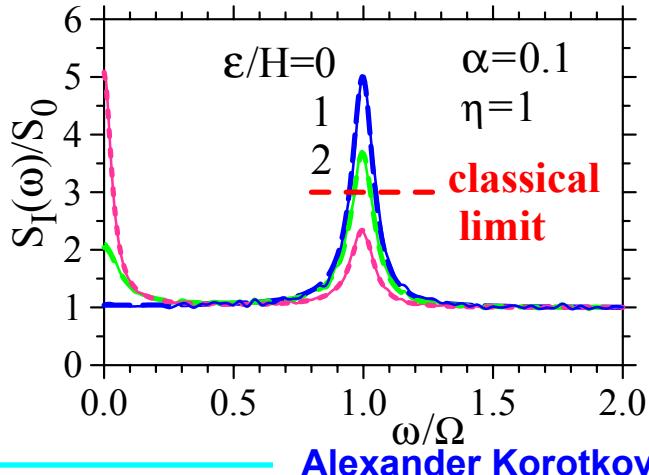
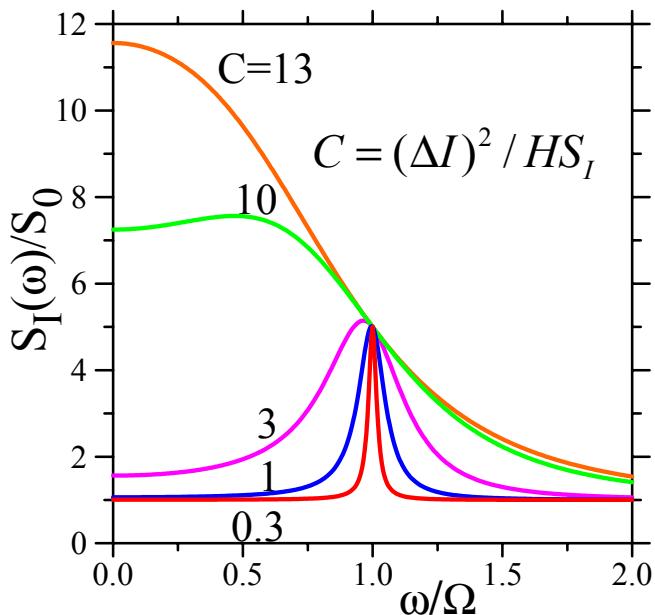
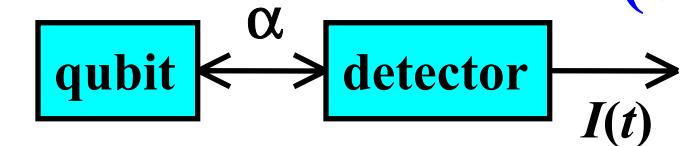


1. Start with completely mixed state.
2. Measure and monitor the Rabi phase.
3. Stop evolution (make  $H=0$ ) at state  $|1\rangle$ .
4. Measure.

**Difficulty:** need to record noisy detector current  $I(t)$ ,  
typical required bandwidth  $\sim 1\text{-}10$  GHz.



# Measured spectrum of Rabi oscillations (or spin precession)



What is the spectral density  $S_I(\omega)$  of detector current?

Assume classical output,  $eV \gg \hbar\Omega$

$$\varepsilon = 0, \quad \Gamma = \eta^{-1}(\Delta I)^2 / 4S_0$$

$$S_I(\omega) = S_0 + \frac{\Omega^2(\Delta I)^2 \Gamma}{(\omega^2 - \Omega^2)^2 + \Gamma^2 \omega^2}$$

Spectral peak can be seen, but  
peak-to-pedestal ratio  $\leq 4\eta \leq 4$

(result can be obtained using various  
methods, not only Bayesian method)

Weak coupling,  $\alpha = C/8 \ll 1$

$$S_I(\omega) = S_0 + \frac{\eta S_0 \varepsilon^2 / H^2}{1 + (\omega \hbar^2 \Omega^2 / 4H^2 \Gamma)^2} + \frac{4\eta S_0 (1 + \varepsilon^2 / 2H^2)^{-1}}{1 + [(\omega - \Omega)\Gamma(1 - 2H^2 / \hbar^2 \Omega^2)]^2}$$

A.K., LT'99

Averin-A.K., 2000

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Averin, 2000

Goan-Milburn, 2001

Makhlin et al., 2001

Balatsky-Martin, 2001

Ruskov-A.K., 2002

Mozyrsky et al., 2002

Balatsky et al, 2002

Bulaevskii et al., 2002

Shnirman et al., 2002

Bulaevskii-Ortiz, 2003



# Possible experimental confirmation?

(STM-ESR experiment similar to Manassen-1989)

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## Electronic spin detection in molecules using scanning-tunneling-microscopy-assisted electron-spin resonance

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By combining the spatial resolution of a scanning-tunneling microscope (STM) with the electronic spin sensitivity of electron-spin resonance, we show that it is possible to detect the presence of localized spins on surfaces. The principle is that a STM is operated in a magnetic field, and the resulting component of the tunnel current at the Larmor (precession) frequency is measured. This component is nonzero whenever there is tunneling into or out of a paramagnetic entity. We have

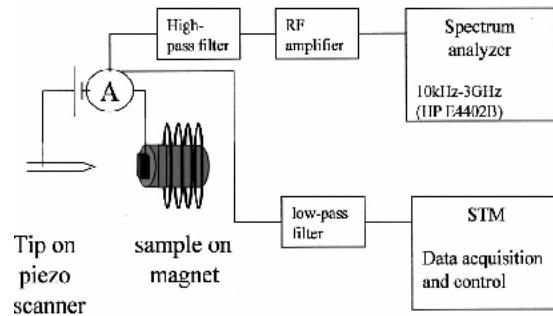


FIG. 1. Schematic of the electronics used in STM-ESR.

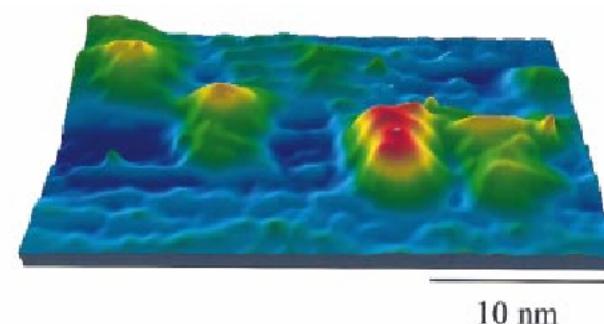


FIG. 2. (Color) STM image of a 250 Å × 150 Å area of HOPG with four adsorbed BDPA molecules.

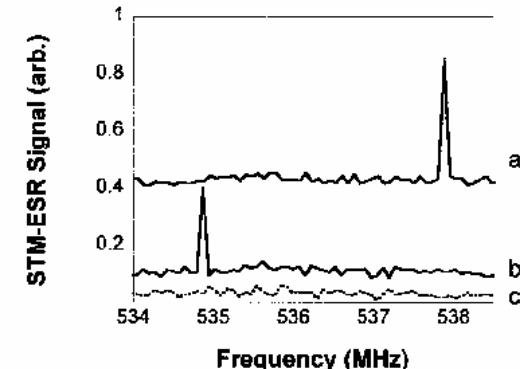


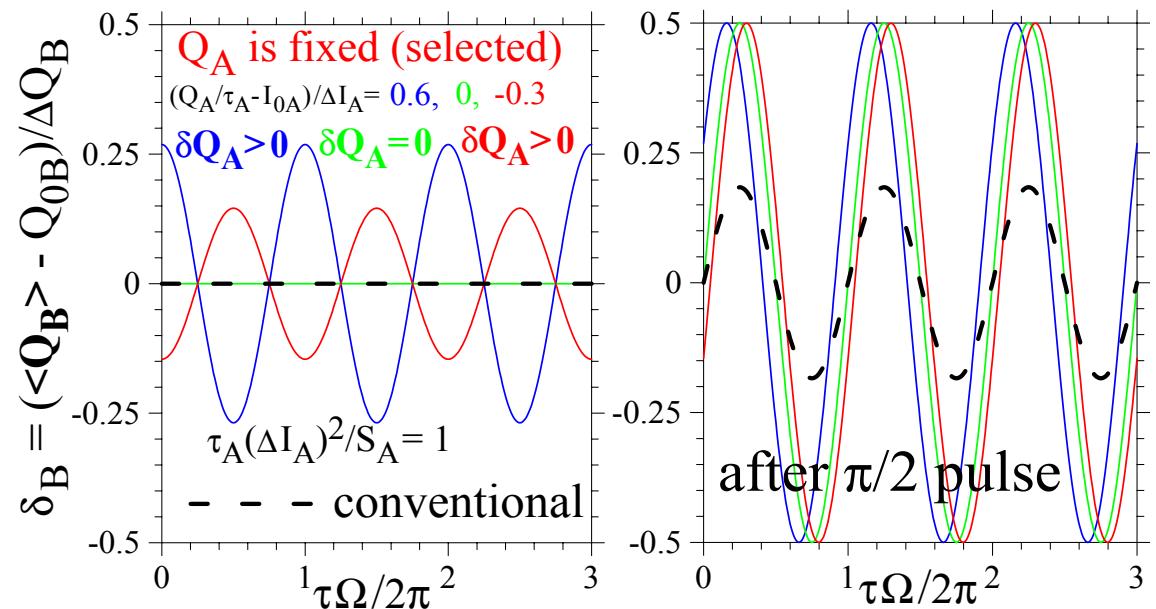
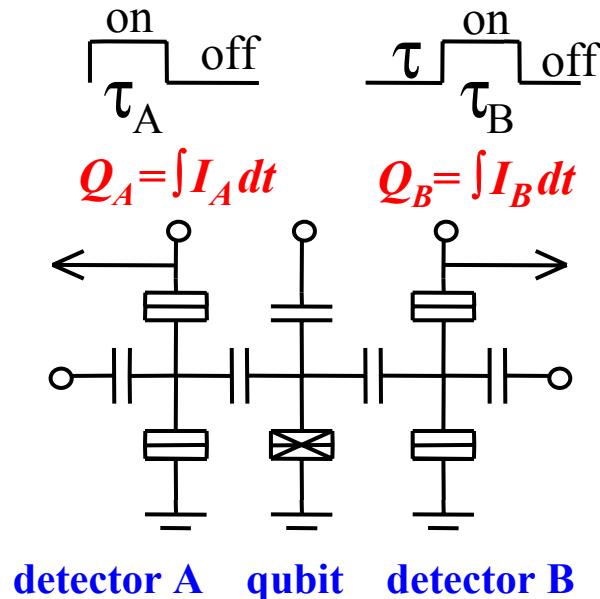
FIG. 3. STM-ESR spectra of (a), (b) two different areas (a few nm apart) of the molecule-covered sample and (c) bare HOPG. The graphs are shifted vertically for clarity.

$\frac{\text{peak}}{\text{noise}} \leq 3.5$   
(Colm Durkan,  
private comm.)



# Bell-type correlation experiment

A.K., 2000



**Idea:** two consecutive finite-time (imprecise) measurements of a qubit by two detectors; probability distribution  $P(Q_A, Q_B, \tau)$  shows the effect of the first measurement on the qubit state.

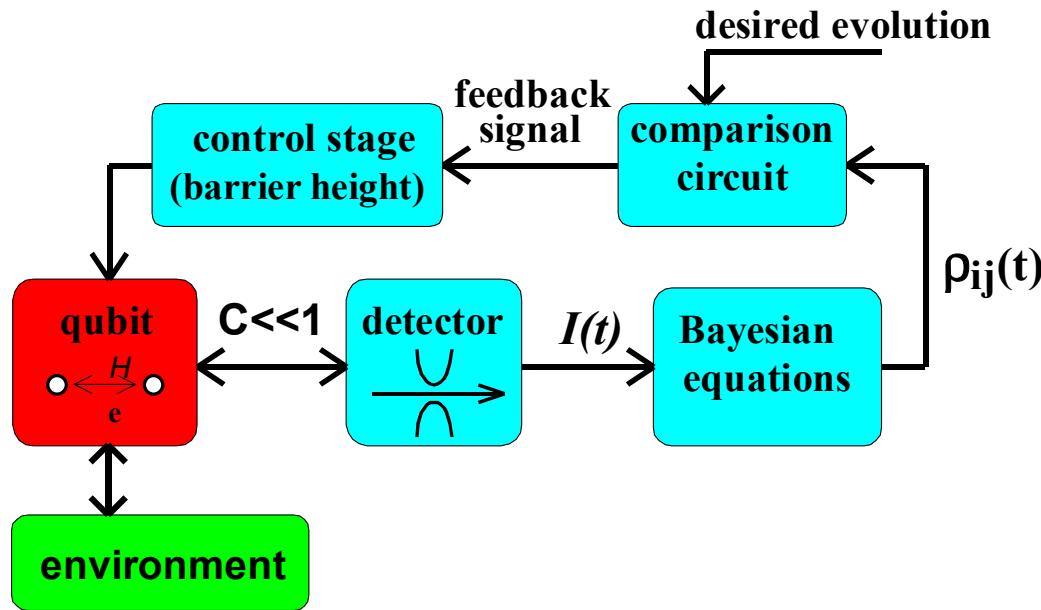
**Proves that the qubit remains in a pure state during the measurement (for  $\eta=1$ ).**

**Advantage:** no need to record noisy detector output with GHz bandwidth; instead, we use two detectors and fast ON/OFF switching.



# Quantum feedback control of a solid-state qubit

Ruskov & A.K., 2001



**Goal:** maintain desired phase of Rabi oscillations in spite of environmental dephasing (keep qubit “fresh”)

**Idea:** monitor the Rabi phase  $\phi$  by continuous measurement and apply feedback control of the qubit barrier height,  $\Delta H_{FB}/H = - F \times \Delta\phi$

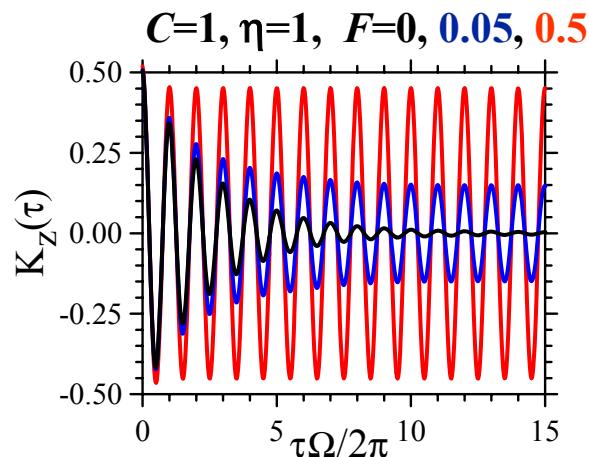
To monitor phase  $\phi$  we plug detector output  $I(t)$  into Bayesian equations

Quantum feedback in quantum optics is discussed since 1993 (Wiseman-Milburn), recently first successful experiment in Mabuchi's group (Armen et al., 2002).



# Performance of quantum feedback (no extra environment)

Qubit correlation function



$$K_z(\tau) = \frac{\cos \Omega t}{2} \exp \left[ \frac{C}{16F} (e^{-2FH\tau/\hbar} - 1) \right]$$

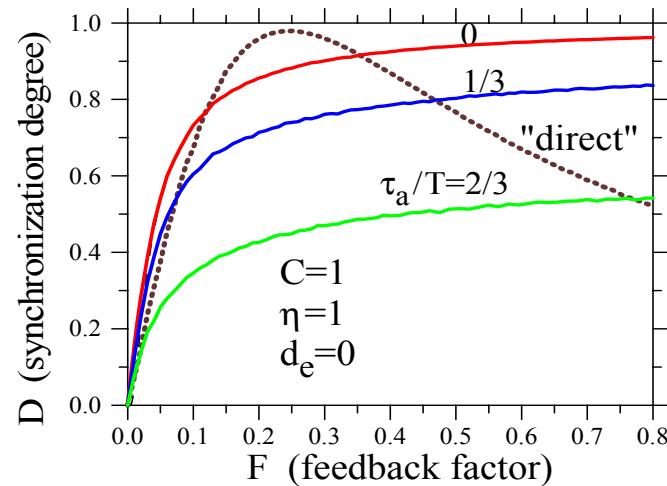
(for weak coupling and good fidelity)

Detector current correlation function

$$K_I(\tau) = \frac{(\Delta I)^2}{4} \frac{\cos \Omega t}{2} (1 + e^{-2FH\tau/\hbar}) \\ \times \exp \left[ \frac{C}{16F} (e^{-2FH\tau/\hbar} - 1) \right] + \frac{S_I}{2} \delta(\tau)$$

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Fidelity (synchronization degree)



$C = \hbar(\Delta I)^2 / S_I H$  – coupling

$\tau_a^{-1}$  – available bandwidth

F – feedback strength

$$D = 2 \langle \text{Tr} \rho \rho_{\text{desir}} \rangle - 1$$

For ideal detector and wide bandwidth,  
fidelity can be arbitrary close to 100%

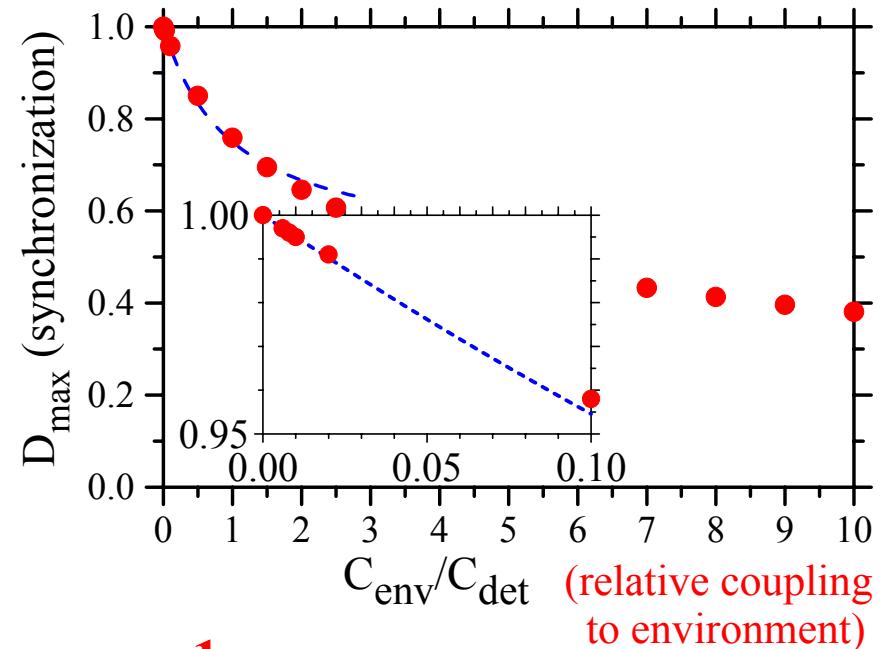
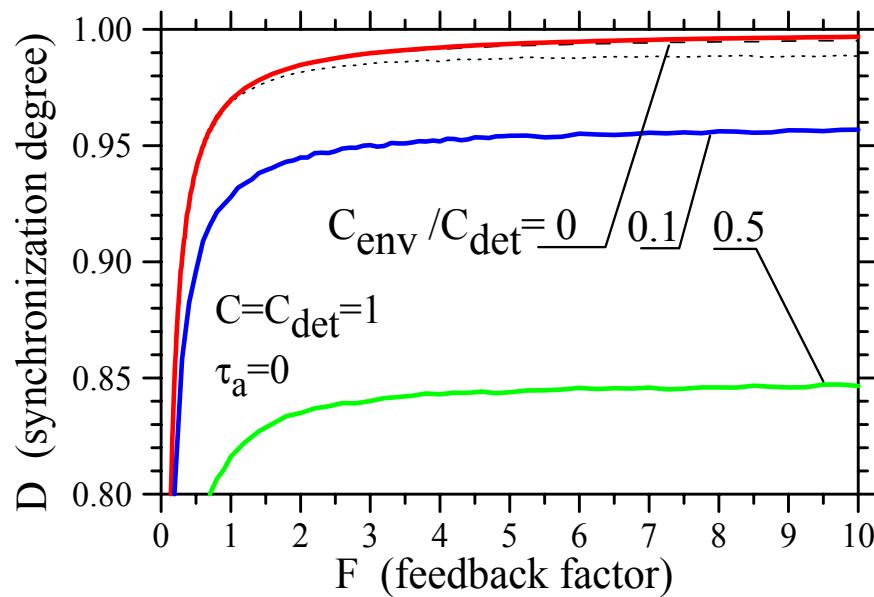
$$D = \exp(-C/32F)$$

Ruskov & Korotkov, PRB 66, 041401(R) (2002)

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# Suppression of environment-induced decoherence by quantum feedback



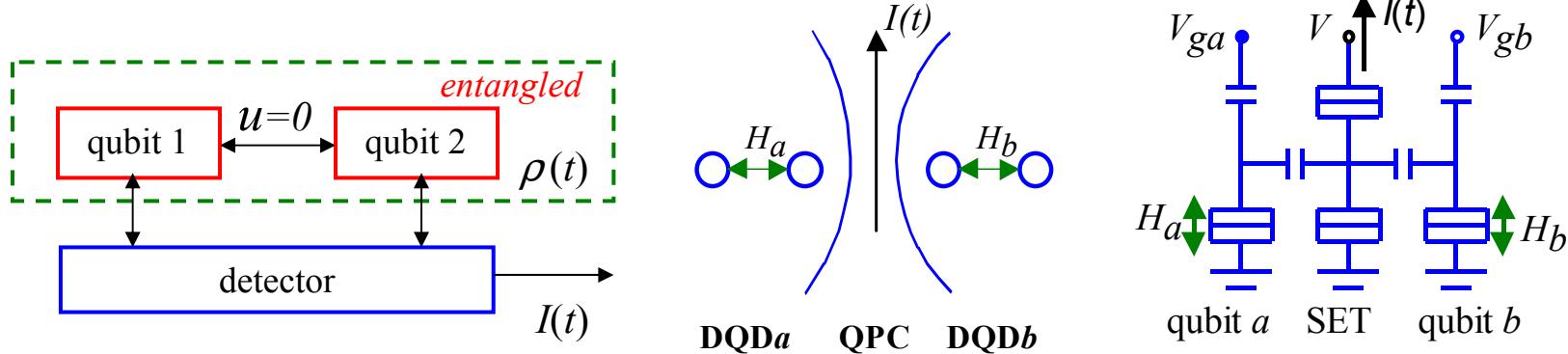
$$D_{\max} \approx 1 - \frac{C_{\text{env}}}{2C_{\text{det}}} \frac{1}{1 + C_{\text{env}}/C_{\text{det}}}$$

If qubit coupling to the environment is 100 times weaker than to the detector, then  $D_{\max} = 99.5\%$  and qubit fidelity 99.75%. ( $D = 0$  without feedback.)



# Two-qubit entanglement by measurement

Ruskov & A.K., 2002



Assume symmetric case: equal symmetric qubits,  $\varepsilon_a = \varepsilon_b = 0$ ,  $H_a = H_b$ ,  $\Omega_a = \Omega_b$ , equal coupling,  $C_a = C_b$ , no direct interaction,  $u=0$

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_{QB} + \hat{H}_{DET} + \hat{H}_{INT}$$

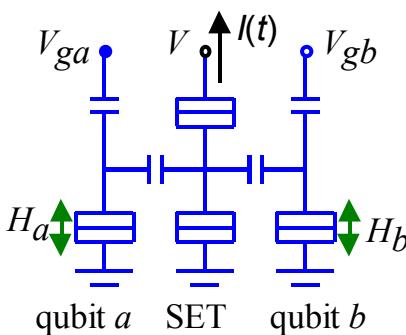
$$\hat{H}_{QB} = \varepsilon_a (a_{\downarrow}^\dagger a_{\downarrow} - a_{\uparrow}^\dagger a_{\uparrow}) + H_a (a_{\uparrow}^\dagger a_{\downarrow} + a_{\downarrow}^\dagger a_{\uparrow}) + \varepsilon_b (b_{\downarrow}^\dagger b_{\downarrow} - b_{\uparrow}^\dagger b_{\uparrow}) + H_b (b_{\uparrow}^\dagger b_{\downarrow} + b_{\downarrow}^\dagger b_{\uparrow})$$

$I(\uparrow\downarrow) = I(\downarrow\uparrow)$ , states indistinguishable by measurement

$|\text{Bell}\rangle = (\left| \uparrow\downarrow \right\rangle + \left| \downarrow\uparrow \right\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$  does not evolve

Collapse into  $|\text{Bell}\rangle$  state (spontaneous entanglement)  
with probability 1/4 starting from fully mixed state

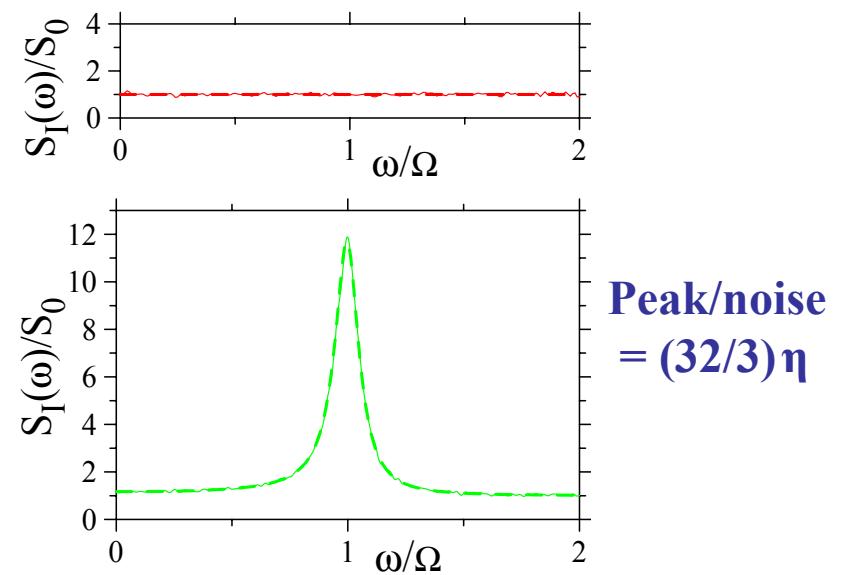
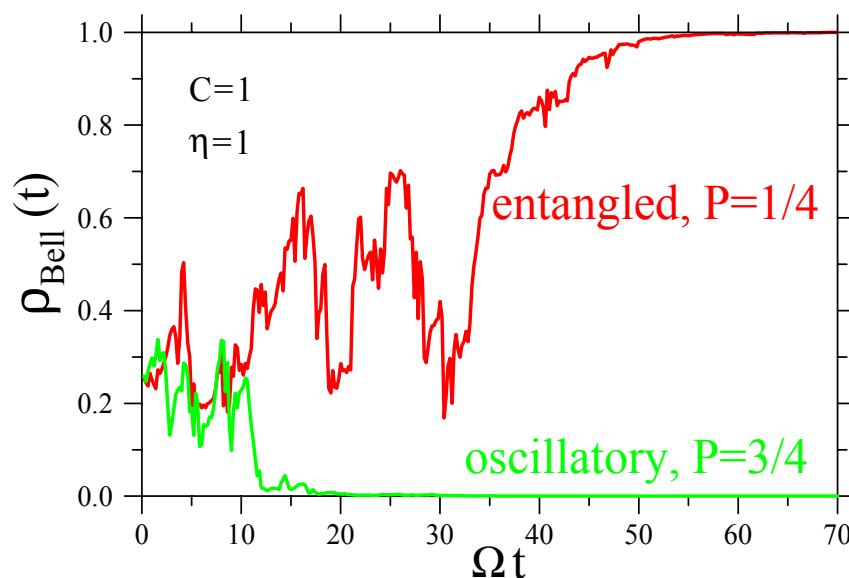




## Continuous measurement

(detector is ON all the time)

Two scenarios of evolution from mixed state



- 1)  $\rho_{in} \rightarrow \rho_{Bell}$ , probability  $\rho_{11}^B(0)$  (1/4 for fully mixed state)
- 2)  $\rho_{in} \rightarrow$  oscillatory state, probability  $1 - \rho_{11}^B(0)$  (3/4 for fully mixed state)  
spectral peak at Rabi frequency  $\Omega = 2H/\tilde{N}$ ,  $S_{peak}/S_0 \approx 32/3$

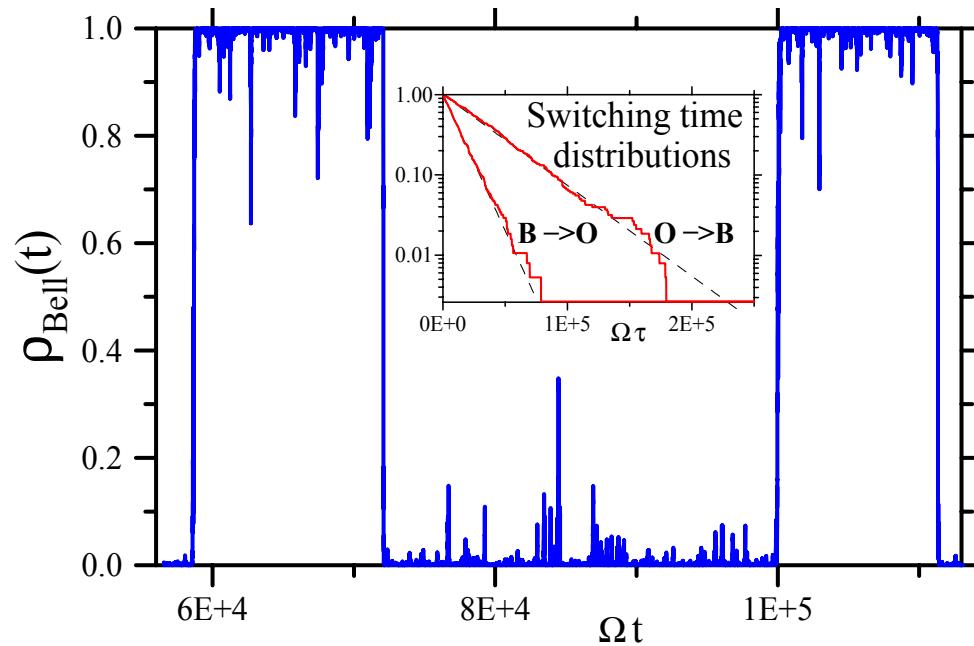
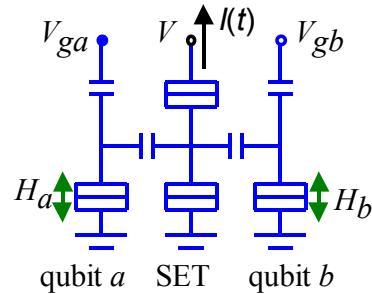
Entanglement due to common quantum noise; however, detector is needed

Ruskov & A.K., PRB (2003)

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## Small imperfections: switching between entangled and oscillatory states

Different Rabi frequencies:

$$\Gamma_{B \rightarrow 0} = (\Delta\Omega)^2 / 2\Gamma$$

Different coupling:

$$\Gamma_{B \rightarrow 0} = (\Delta C / C)^2 \Gamma / 8$$

Environmental dephasing:

$$\Gamma_{B \rightarrow 0} = (\gamma_a + \gamma_b) / 2$$

$$\Gamma_{O \rightarrow B} = \Gamma_{B \rightarrow O} / 3$$

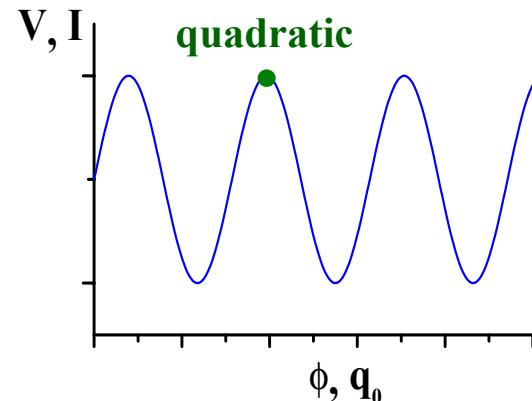
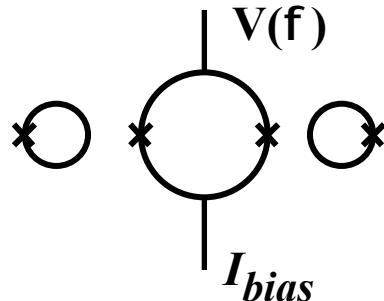
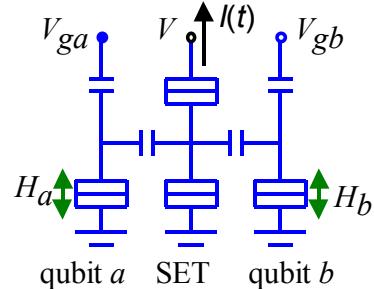
**Using trivial feedback procedure (applying noise in undesirable state), we can keep two qubits entangled**

**Detector may be nonideal (just  $32\eta/3$  peak), so SET is OK**

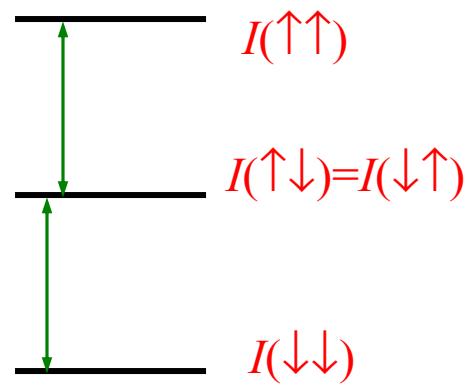


# Quadratic Quantum Detection

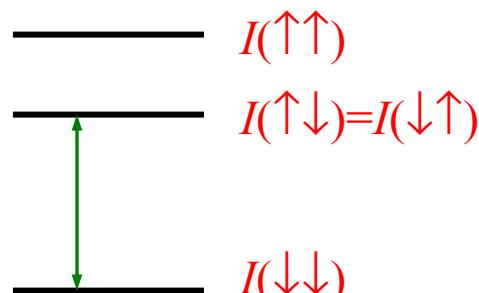
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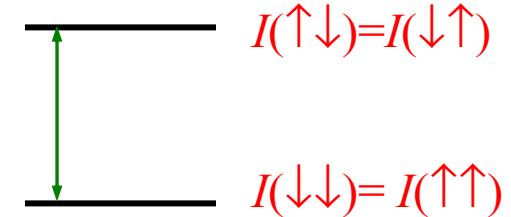
Linear detector



Nonlinear detector



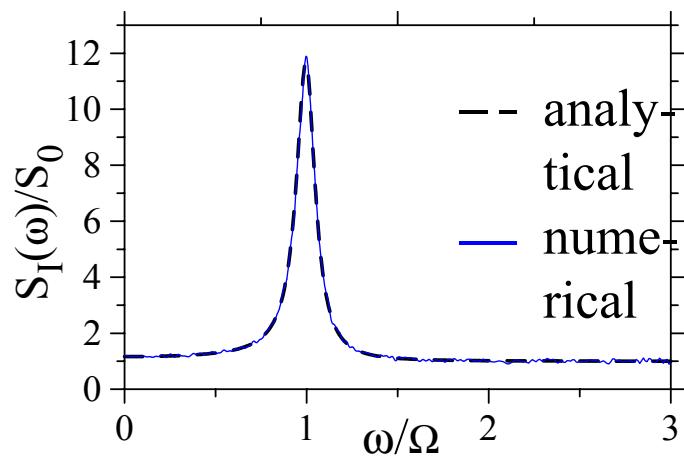
Quadratic detector



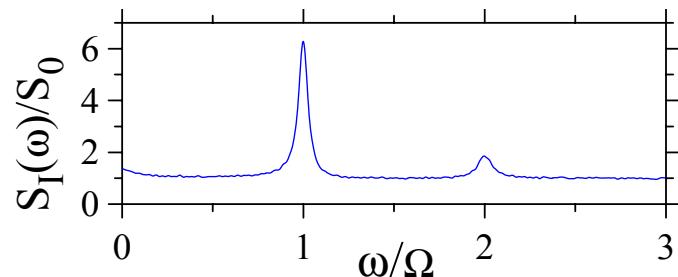
Quadratic detection is useful for quantum error correction (Averin-Fazio, 2002)



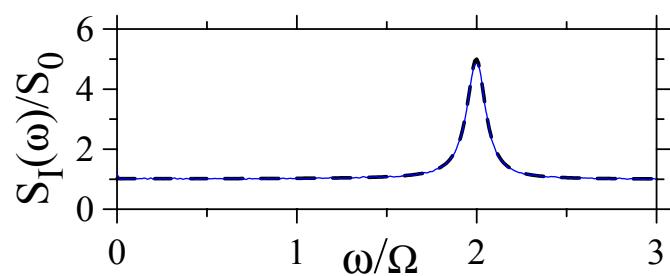
### Linear detector



### Nonlinear detector



### Quadratic detector



## Two-qubit detection (oscillatory subspace)

$$S_I(\omega) = S_0 + \frac{8}{3} \frac{\Omega^2 (\Delta I)^2 \Gamma}{(\omega^2 - \Omega^2)^2 + \Gamma^2 \omega^2}$$

$$\Gamma = \eta^{-1} (\Delta I)^2 / 4S_0, \Delta I = I_1 - I_{23} = I_{23} - I_4$$

**Spectral peak at  $\Omega$ , peak/noise =  $(32/3)\eta$**   
( $\Omega$  is the Rabi frequency)

**Extra spectral peaks at  $2\Omega$  and 0**

$$S_I(\omega) = S_0 + \frac{4\Omega^2 (\Delta I)^2 \Gamma}{(\omega^2 - 4\Omega^2)^2 + \Gamma^2 \omega^2}$$

$$(\Delta I = I_{23} - I_{14}, I_1 = I_4, I_2 = I_3)$$

**Peak only at  $2\Omega$ , peak/noise =  $4\eta$**

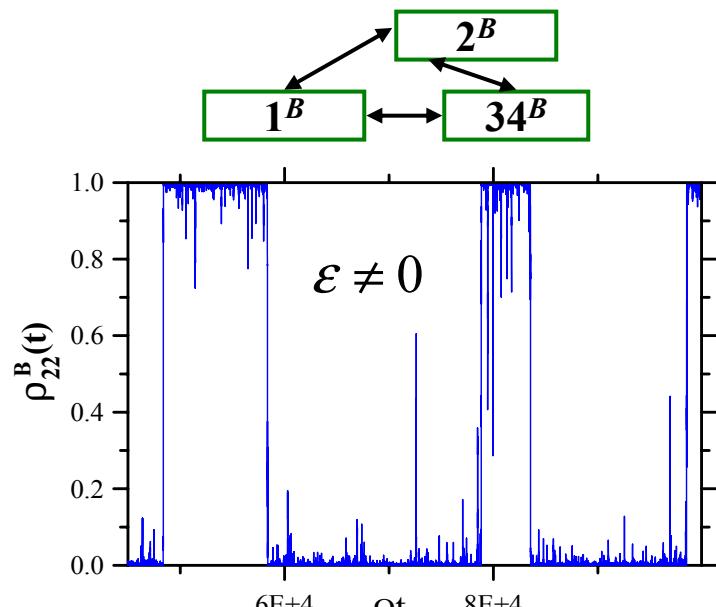
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# Two-qubit quadratic detection: scenarios and switching

**Three scenarios:  
(distinguishable by  
average current)**

- 1) collapse into  $|\uparrow\downarrow - \downarrow\uparrow\rangle = |1B\rangle$ , current  $I_{A\bar{E}}$ , flat spectrum
- 2) collapse into  $|\uparrow\uparrow - \downarrow\downarrow\rangle = |2B\rangle$ , current  $I_{A\bar{E}\bar{A}}$  flat spectrum
- 3) collapse into remaining subspace  $|34B\rangle$ , current  $(I_A + I_{A\bar{E}})/2$ , spectral peak at  $2\Omega$ , peak/pedestal =  $4\eta$ .



- 3) Slightly asymmetric qubits,  $\varepsilon \neq 0$

$$\Gamma_{2B \rightarrow 34B} = 2\varepsilon^2 \Gamma / \Omega^2$$

**Switching between states due to imperfections**

- 1) Slightly different Rabi frequencies,  $\Delta\Omega = \Omega_1 - \Omega_2$   
 $\Gamma_{1B \rightarrow 2B} = \Gamma_{2B \rightarrow 1B} = (\Delta\Omega)^2 / 2\Gamma$ ,  $\Gamma = \eta^{-1}(\Delta I)^2 / 4S_0$

$$S_I(\omega) = S_0 + \frac{(\Delta I)^2 \Gamma}{(\Delta\Omega)^2} \frac{1}{1 + [\omega\Gamma/(\Delta\Omega)^2]^2}$$

- 2) Slightly nonquadratic detector,  $I_1 \neq I_4$

$$\Gamma_{2B \rightarrow 34B} = [(I_1 - I_4)/\Delta I]^2 \Gamma / 2$$

$$S_I(\omega) = S_0 + \frac{2}{3} \frac{4\Omega^2(\Delta I)^2 \Gamma}{(\omega^2 - 4\Omega^2)^2 + \Gamma^2 \omega^2} + \frac{8(\Delta I)^4}{27\Gamma(I_1 - I_4)^2} \frac{1}{1 + [4\omega(\Delta I)^2 / 3\Gamma(I_1 - I_4)^2]^2}$$

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# Conclusions

- Bayesian formalism for continuous quantum measurement is simple (almost trivial); but still a new interesting subject in solid-state mesoscopics
- Several experimental predictions have been already made; however, many problems not studied yet
- No experiments yet (except one); hopefully, coming soon

