

# Quantum feedback control of solid-state qubits and their entanglement by measurement

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Continuous measurement of a single qubit

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Quantum feedback of a solid-state qubit

Entanglement of two qubits by measurement

Recent developments of the Bayesian theory

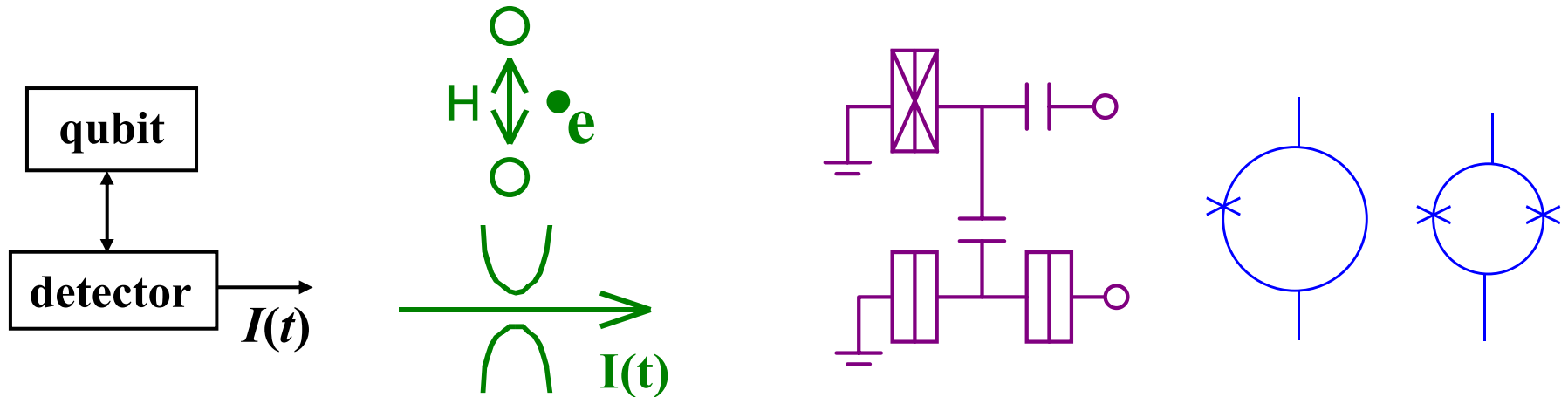
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# Examples of solid-state qubits and detectors



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

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

Two SQUIDs

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

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

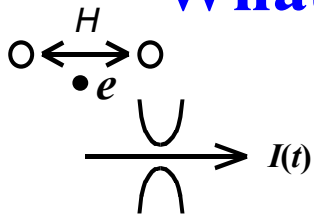
$$\Omega = (4H^2 + \epsilon^2)^{1/2}/\hbar - \text{frequency of quantum coherent (Rabi) oscillations}$$

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

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

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

$|1\rangle$  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

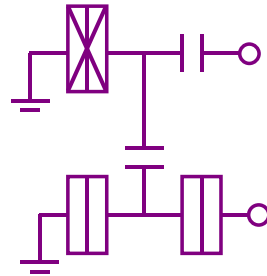
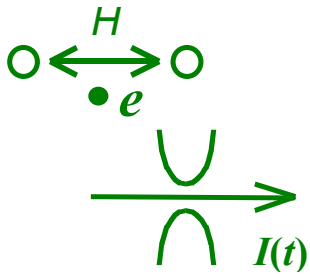
**Orthodox and decoherence answers contradict each other!**

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



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

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

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

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

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

A.K., 1998

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

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

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

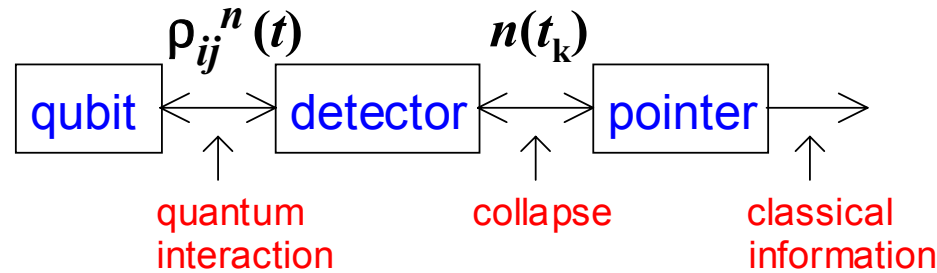
Averaging over  $\xi(t) \Rightarrow$  master equation

**Ideal detector ( $\eta=1$ ) does not decohere a single qubit;  
then the random evolution of the qubit *wavefunction* can be monitored**

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



# “Microscopic” derivation of the Bayesian formalism



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

Detector collapse at  $t = t_k$   
Particular  $n_k$  is chosen at  $t_k$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \rho_{11}^n = -\frac{I_1}{e} \rho_{11}^n + \frac{I_1}{e} \rho_{11}^{n-1} - 2\frac{H}{\hbar} \text{Im} \rho_{12}^n$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \rho_{22}^n = -\frac{I_2}{e} \rho_{22}^n + \frac{I_2}{e} \rho_{22}^{n-1} + 2\frac{H}{\hbar} \text{Im} \rho_{12}^n$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \rho_{12}^n = i\frac{\varepsilon}{\hbar} \rho_{12}^n + i\frac{H}{\hbar} (\rho_{11}^n - \rho_{22}^n) - \frac{I_1 + I_2}{2e} \rho_{12}^n + \frac{\sqrt{I_1 I_2}}{e} \rho_{12}^{n-1}$$

$$P(n) = \rho_{11}^n(t_k) + \rho_{22}^n(t_k)$$

$$\rho_{ij}^n(t_k + 0) = \delta_{n, n_k} \rho_{ij}^n(t_k + 0),$$

$$\rho_{ij}^n(t_k + 0) = \frac{\rho_{ij}^{n_k}(t_k - 0)}{\rho_{11}^{n_k}(t_k - 0) + \rho_{22}^{n_k}(t_k - 0)}$$

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

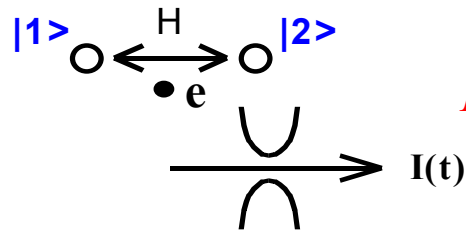
$$\rho_{11}(t) = \frac{\rho_{11}(0)P_1(n)}{\rho_{11}(0)P_1(n) + \rho_{22}(0)P_2(n)}, \quad \rho_{22}(t) = \frac{\rho_{22}(0)P_2(n)}{\rho_{11}(0)P_1(n) + \rho_{22}(0)P_2(n)}$$

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

which are exactly quantum Bayes formulas



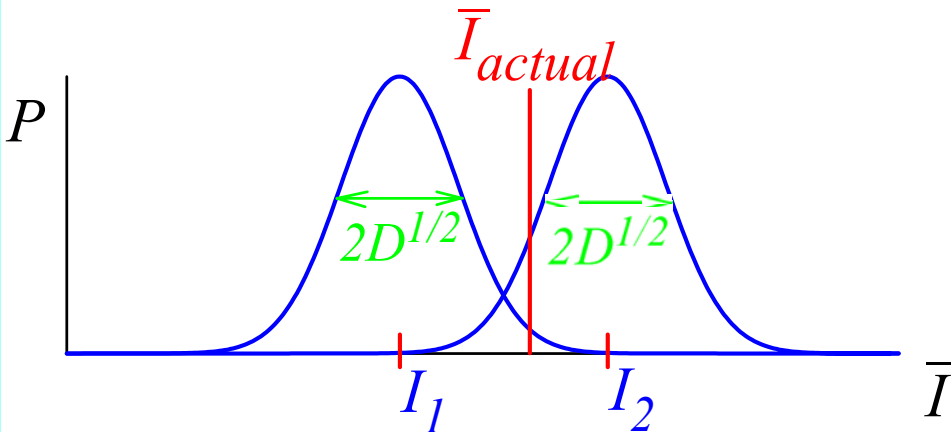
# "Quantum Bayes theorem" (ideal detector assumed)



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

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

Measurement (during time  $\tau$ ):



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

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

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

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

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

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

**Quantum Bayes formulas:**

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

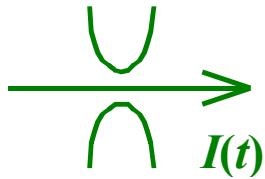
$$\frac{\rho_{12}(\tau)}{[\rho_{12}(\tau) \rho_{22}(\tau)]^{1/2}} = \frac{\rho_{12}(0)}{[\rho_{12}(0) \rho_{22}(0)]^{1/2}}, \quad \rho_{22}(\tau) = 1 - \rho_{11}(\tau)$$



# Ideality of realistic solid-state detectors

(ideal detector does not cause single qubit decoherence)

## 1. Quantum point contact



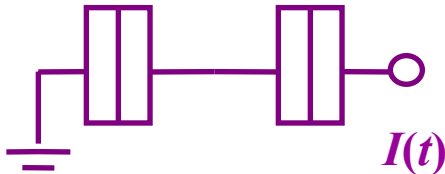
Theoretically, **ideal quantum detector,  $\eta = 1$**

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

Experimentally,  **$\eta > 80\%$**

**(using Buks et al., 1998)**

## 2. SET-transistor



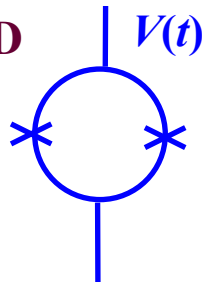
Very non-ideal in usual operation regime,  **$\eta \ll 1$**

**Shnirman-Schön, 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

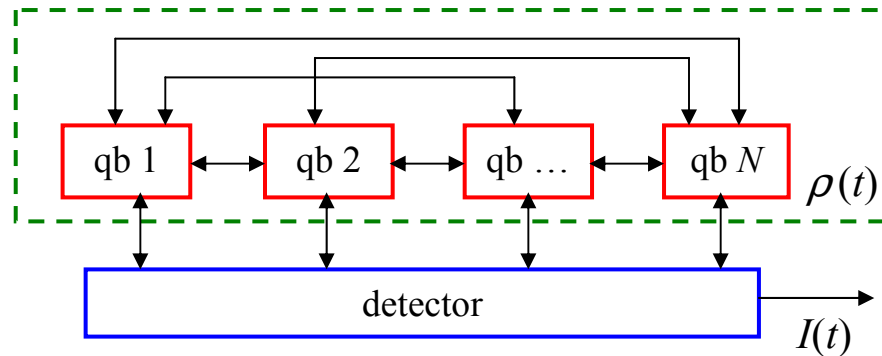


Can reach ideality,  **$\eta = 1$**   
**(Danilov-Likharev-Zorin, 1983;  
Averin, 2000)**

**4. FET ?? HEMT ??  
ballistic FET/HEMT ??**



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



Up to  $2^N$  levels  
of current

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

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

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

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

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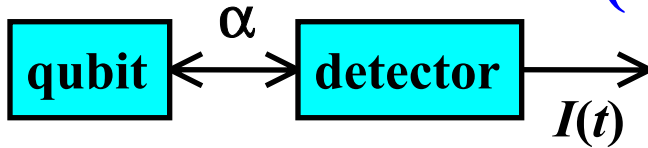
# Some experimental predictions and proposals

- **Direct Bayesian experiments (1998)**
- **Measured spectral density of Rabi oscillations (1999, 2000, 2002)**
- **Bell-type correlation experiment (2000)**
- **Quantum feedback control of a qubit (2001, 2004)**
- **Entanglement by measurement (2002)**
- **Measurement and entanglement by a quadratic detector (2003)**
- **Squeezing of a nanomechanical resonator (2004)**

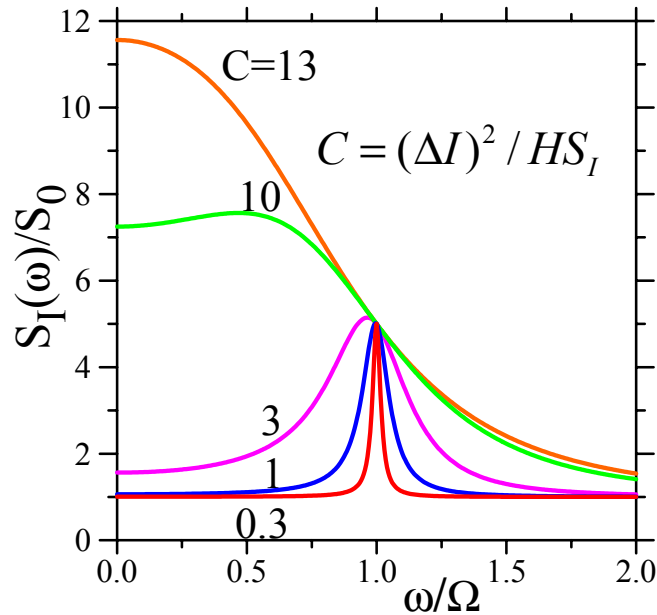
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# Measured spectrum of Rabi oscillations (or spin precession)



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



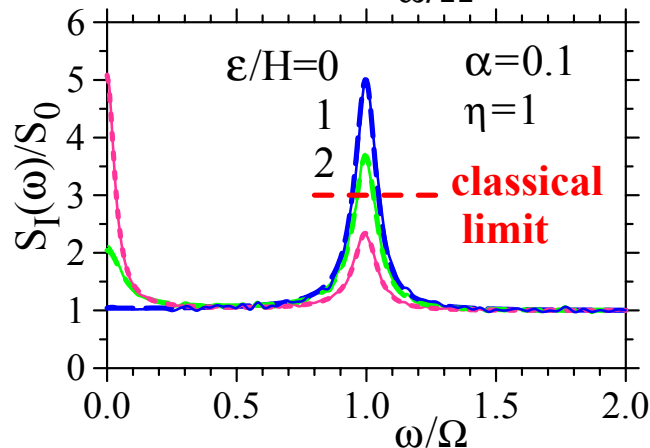
Assume classical output,  $eV \gg \hbar\Omega$

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

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

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

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

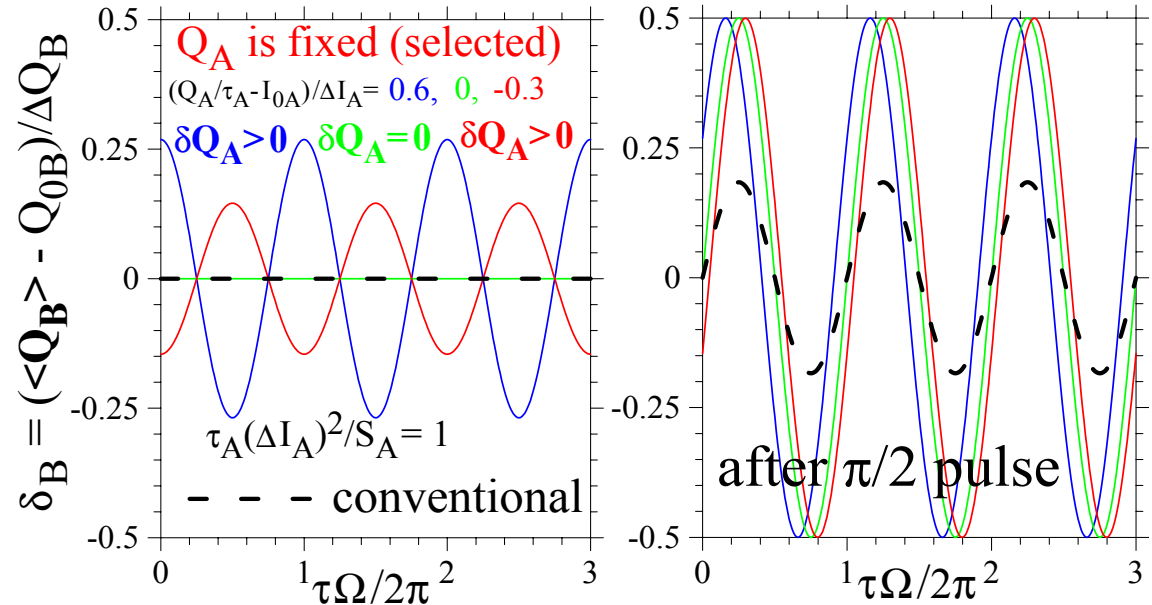
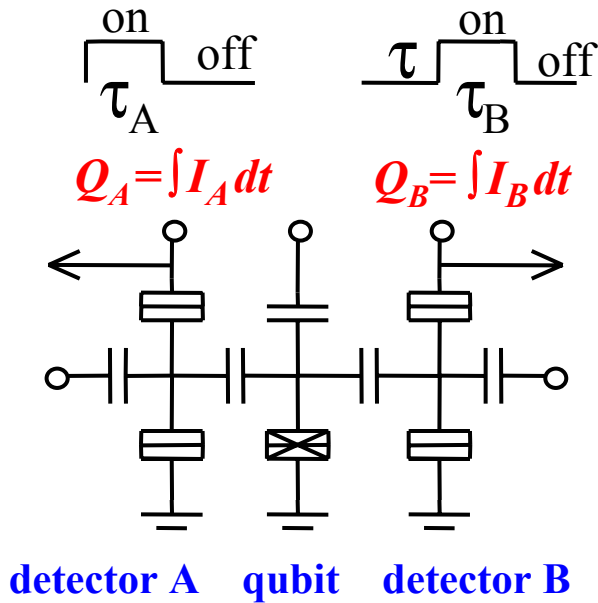
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Bulaevskii et al., 2002  
Shnirman et al., 2002  
Bulaevskii-Ortiz, 2003  
Shnirman et al., 2003

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Contrary:  
Stace-Barrett, 2003



# Bell-type correlation experiment

A.K., 2000



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

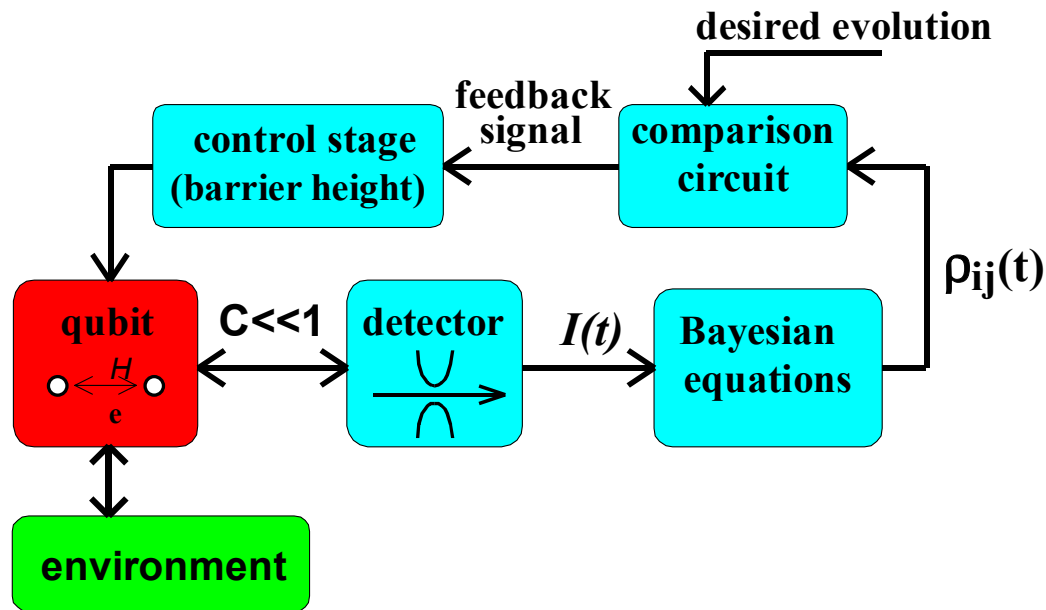
**Proves that the qubit remains in a pure state during the measurement (for  $\eta = 1$ ).**

**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,  $\Delta H_{\text{FB}}/H = -F \times \Delta \phi$

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

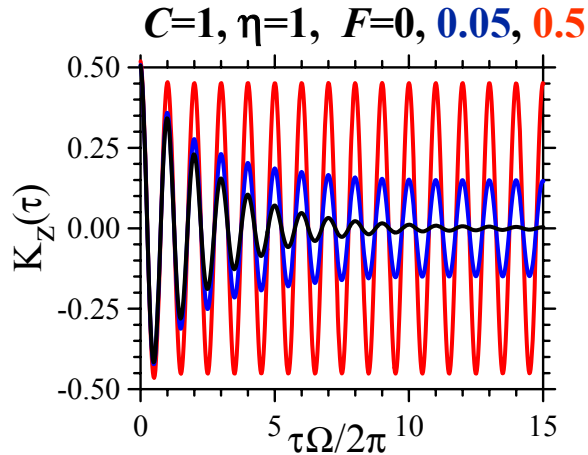
Quantum feedback in optics is discussed since 1993 (Wiseman-Milburn), recently first experiments (Armen et al., 2002; Geremia et al., 2004).



# Performance of quantum feedback

(no extra environment)

Qubit correlation function



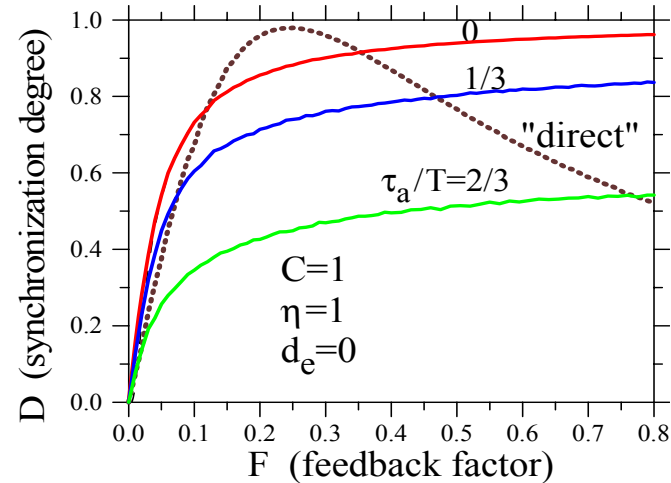
$$K_z(\tau) = \frac{\cos \Omega t}{2} \exp\left[\frac{C}{16F}(e^{-2FH\tau/\hbar} - 1)\right]$$

(for weak coupling and good fidelity)

Detector current correlation function

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

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%**

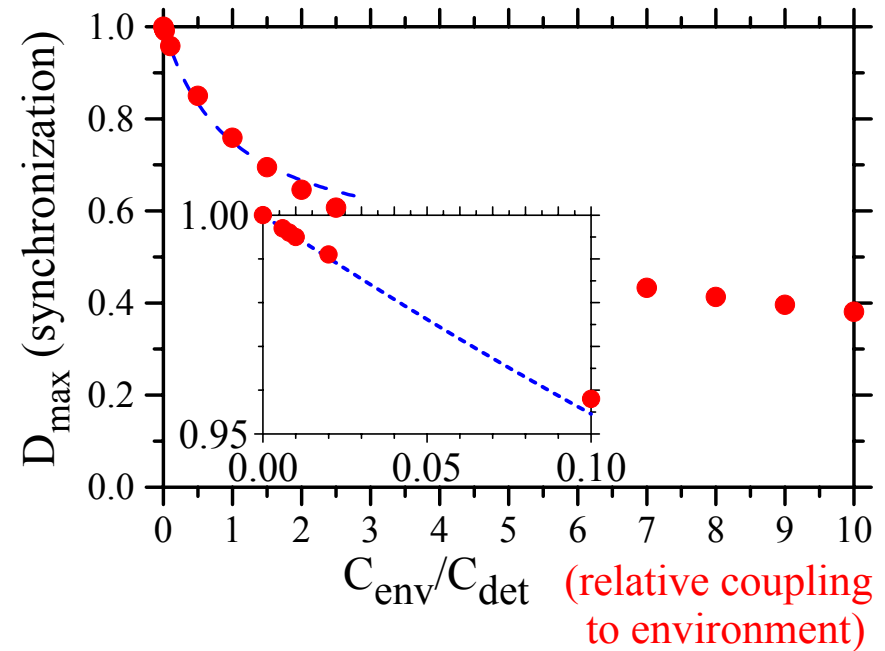
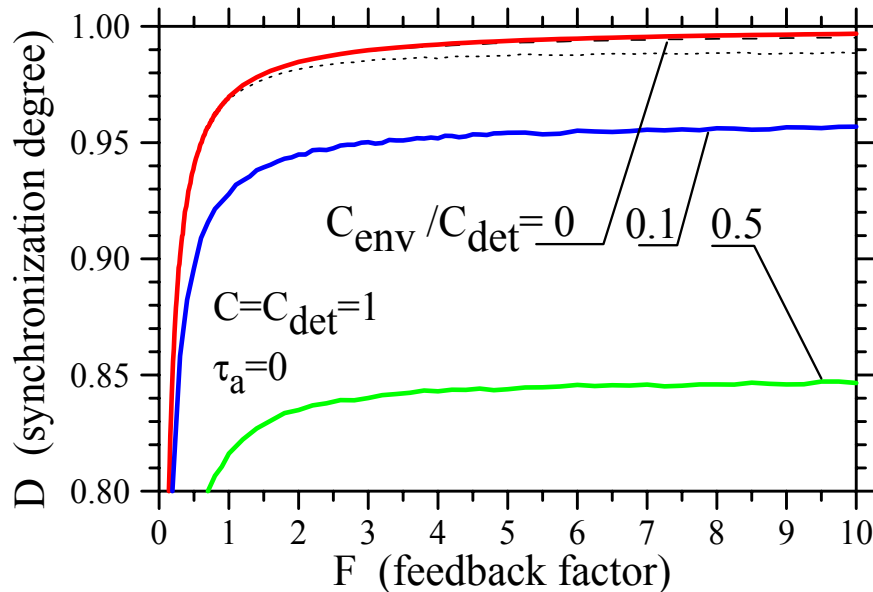
$$D = \exp(-C/32F)$$

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

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# Suppression of environment-induced decoherence by quantum feedback



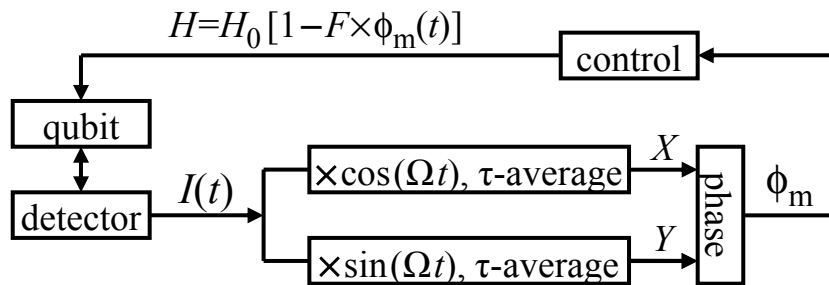
$$D_{\text{max}} = 1 - \frac{C_{\text{env}}}{2C_{\text{det}}} \quad \text{for } C_{\text{env}} \ll C_{\text{det}}$$

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



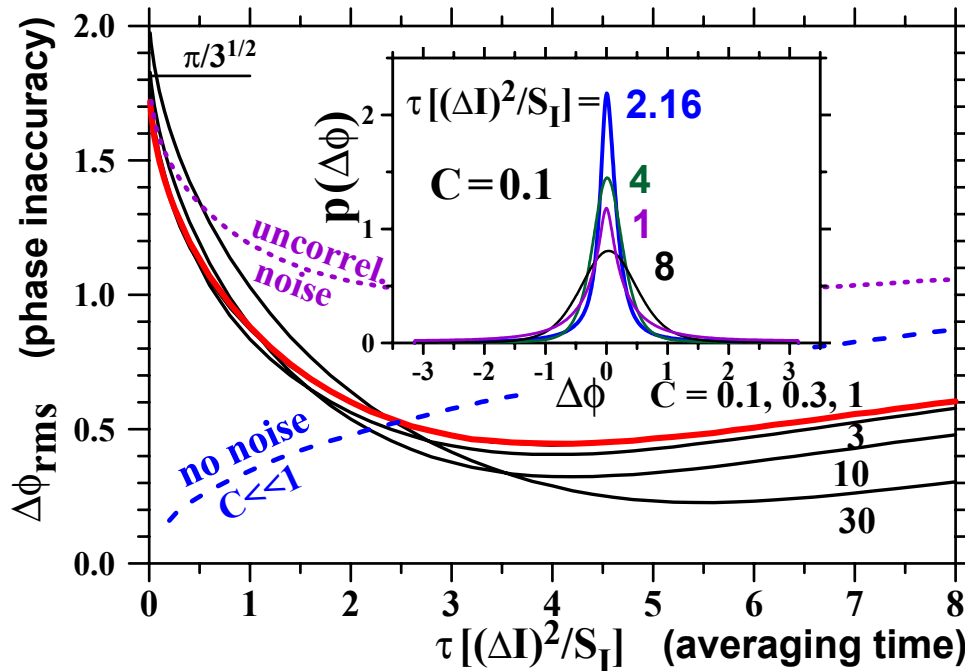
# Simple quantum feedback of a qubit

A.K., 2004



**Idea:** two quadrature components of the detector current  $I(t)$  carry information on the phase of qubit Rabi oscillations

Quadratures are extracted by mixing  $I(t)$  with a local oscillator or using a tank circuit



**Surprisingly, the phase calculated from two quadratures is very close to actual phase of Rabi oscillations**

**(noise improves the monitoring accuracy, real evolution follows the observed behavior)**

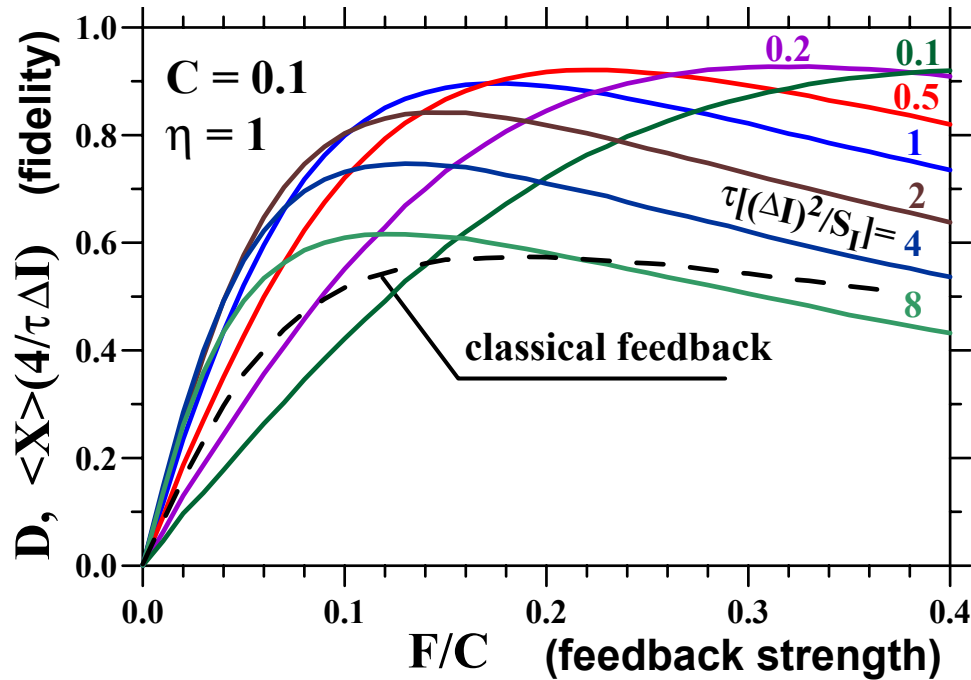
**C**- dimensionless coupling

$\tau$  - averaging time

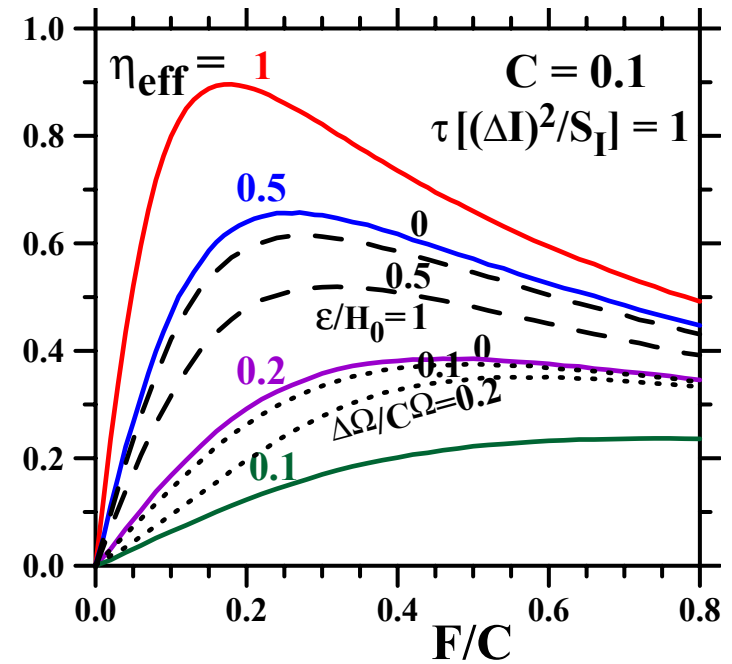
$\Delta\phi$  - inaccuracy of phase monitoring



# Efficiency of the simple quantum feedback



fidelity for several values of coupling



fidelity for nonideal detectors

The price for simplicity is the limitation of fidelity by about 90%

Experimental verification by positive average in-phase quadrature  $X$

Works well for nonideal detectors,  $D = 0.25$  for  $\eta = 0.1$

$$\langle X \rangle = D\tau\Delta I/4$$

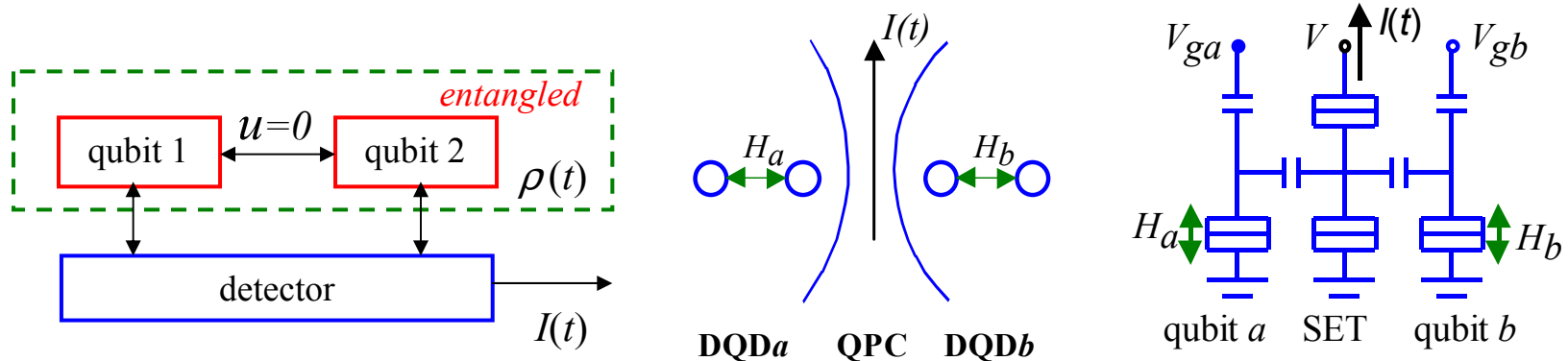
**Relatively simple experiment!**





# 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

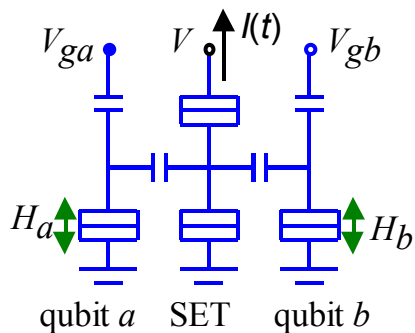
$|\text{Bell}\rangle = (|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle) / \sqrt{2}$  does not evolve

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

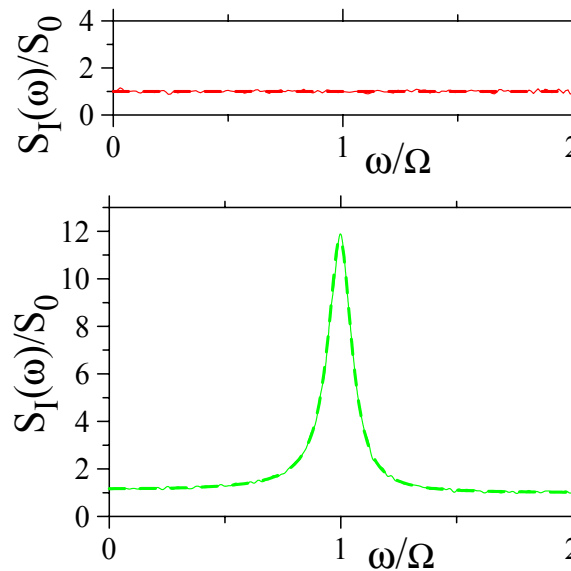
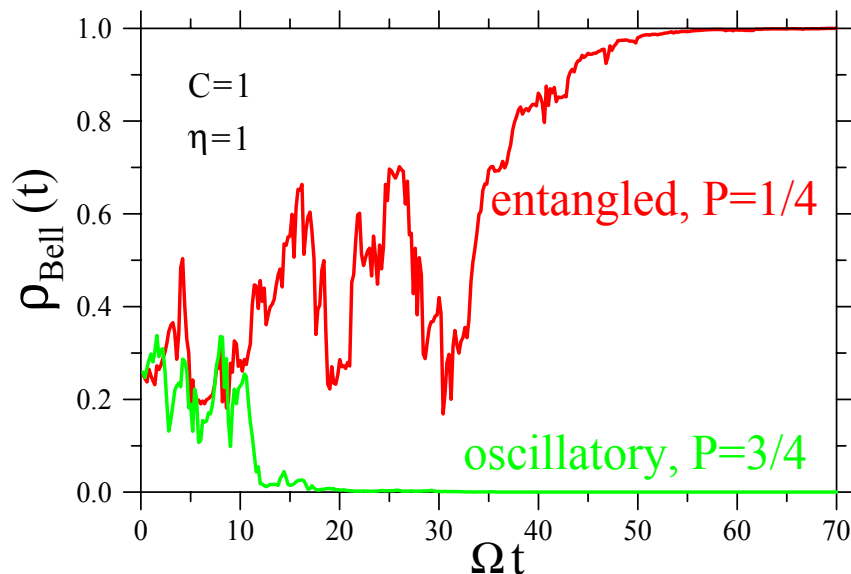


# Continuous measurement

(detector is ON all the time)



## Two scenarios of evolution from mixed state



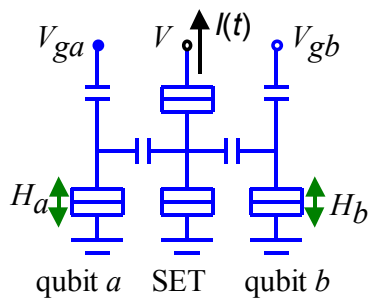
Peak/noise  
=  $(32/3)\eta$

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

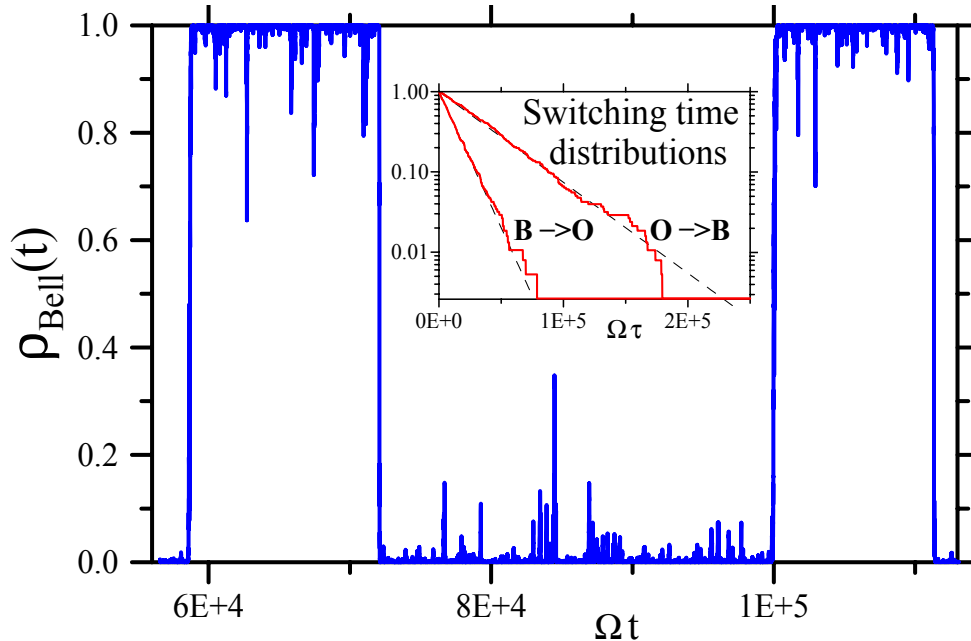
Entanglement due to common quantum noise; however, detector is needed

Ruskov & A.K., PRB (2003)





## 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:

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

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

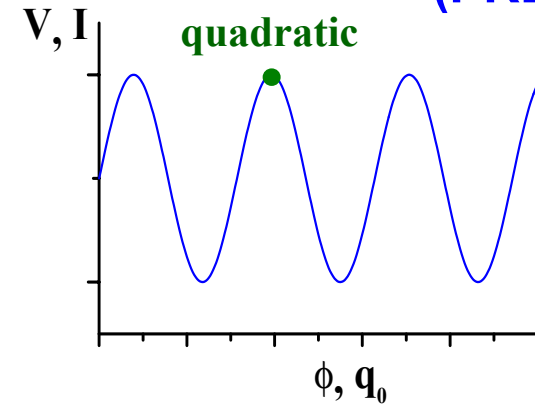
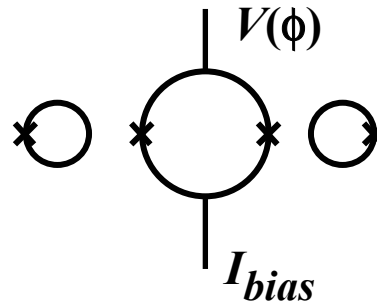
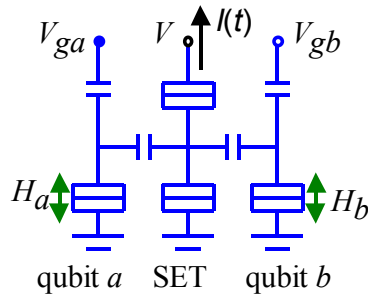
**Using trivial feedback procedure (applying noise in undesirable state), we can keep two qubits entangled**

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

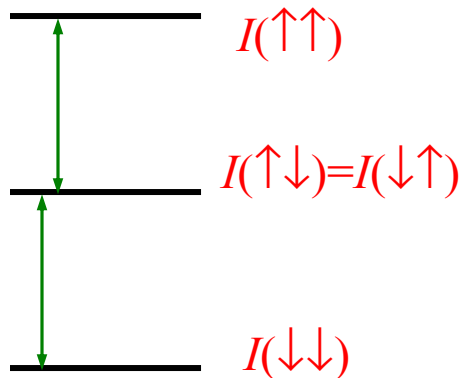


# Quadratic Quantum Detection

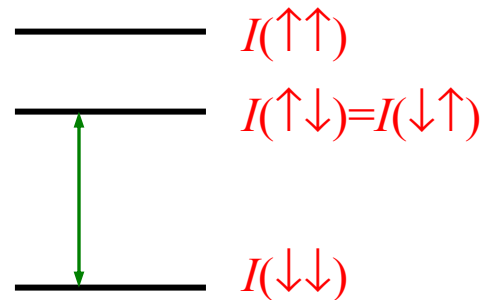
Mao, Averin, Ruskov, A.K., 2003  
(PRL, 2004)



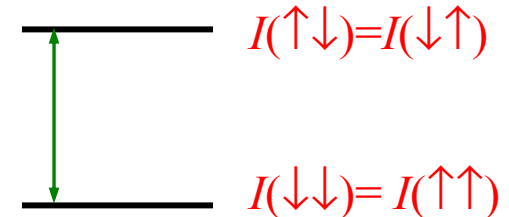
## Linear detector



## Nonlinear detector



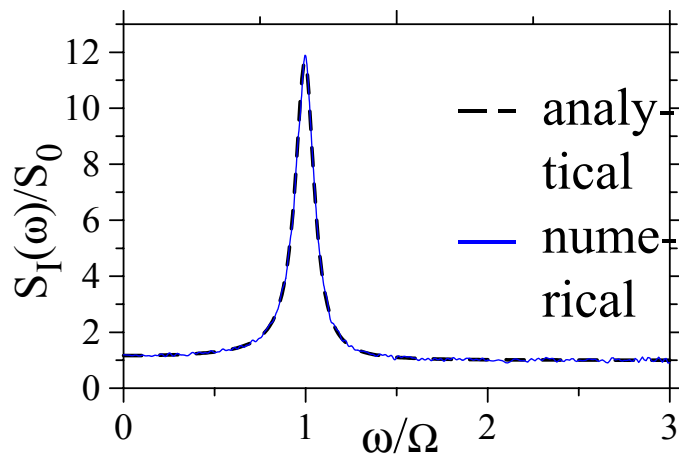
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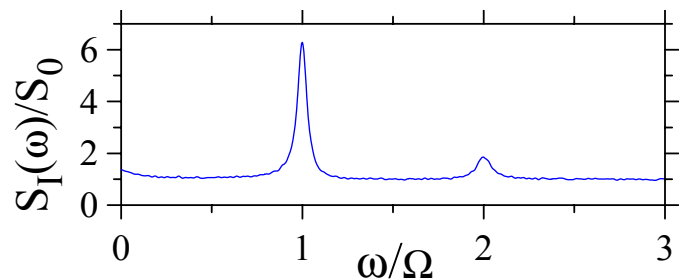
Quadratic detection is useful for quantum error correction (Averin-Fazio, 2002)



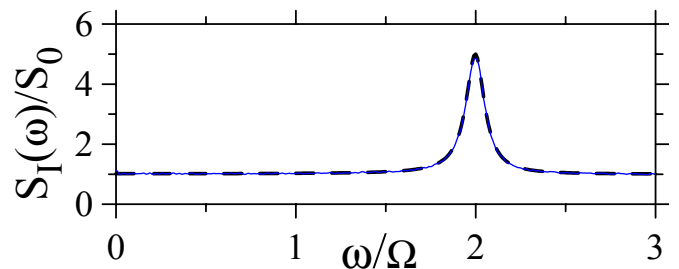
## Linear detector



## 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 =  $4\eta$**

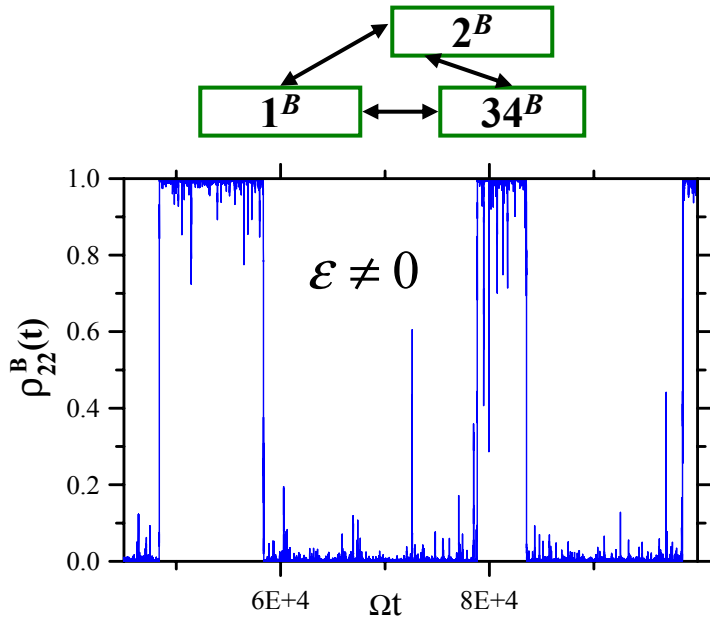
Mao, Averin, Ruskov, A.K., 2003



# Two-qubit quadratic detection: scenarios and switching

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

- 1) collapse into  $|\uparrow\downarrow-\downarrow\uparrow\rangle = |1\rangle^B$ , current  $I_{\uparrow\downarrow}$ , flat spectrum
- 2) collapse into  $|\uparrow\uparrow-\downarrow\downarrow\rangle = |2\rangle^B$ , current  $I_{\uparrow\uparrow}$ , flat spectrum
- 3) collapse into remaining subspace  $|34\rangle^B$ , current  $(I_{\uparrow\downarrow}+I_{\uparrow\uparrow})/2$ , 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,  $I_1 \neq I_4$

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

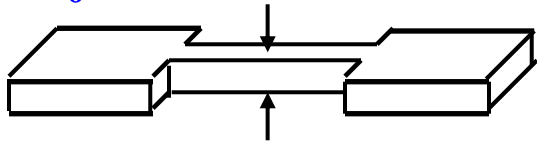
$$S_I(\omega) = S_0 + \frac{2}{3} \frac{4\Omega^2 (\Delta I)^2 \Gamma}{(\omega^2 - 4\Omega^2)^2 + \Gamma^2 \omega^2} + \frac{8(\Delta I)^4}{27\Gamma(I_1 - I_4)^2} \frac{1}{1 + [4\omega(\Delta I)^2 / 3\Gamma(I_1 - I_4)^2]^2}$$



# Bayesian approach to continuous position measurement of a nanomechanical resonator

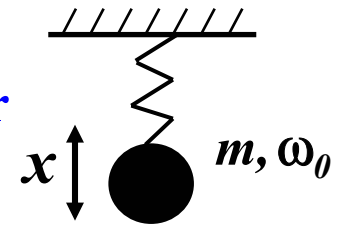
Ruskov-Korotkov, 2004

$\omega_0 \sim 1$  GHz,  $T \sim 20$  mK, quantum behavior



$$\hat{H}_0 = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} + \frac{m\omega_0^2 \hat{x}^2}{2}$$

resonator



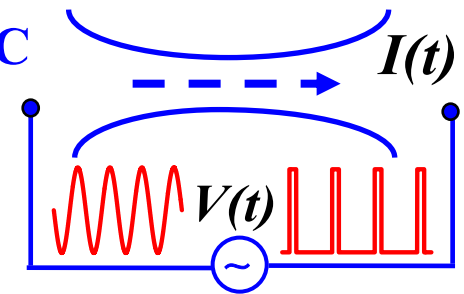
$$\hat{H}_{DET} = \sum_l E_l a_l^\dagger a_l + \sum_r E_r a_r^\dagger a_r + \sum_{l,r} (M a_l^\dagger a_r + H.c.)$$

$$\hat{H}_{INT} = \sum_{l,r} (\Delta M \hat{x} a_l^\dagger a_r + H.c.)$$

Detector noise

$$S_X = S_0 \equiv 2eI_0$$

QPC



Coupling

$$C \equiv \frac{\hbar k^2}{S_0 m \omega_0^2} \propto \frac{T^{osc}}{\tau^{meas}}$$

$$I_X = 2\pi (M + \Delta M x)^2 \rho_l \rho_r e^2 \frac{V}{\hbar} = I_0 + kx$$

Evolution equation (Stratonovich form)

$$\frac{d}{dt} \rho(x, x') = \frac{-i}{\hbar} [\hat{H}_0, \rho] + \rho(x, x') \frac{1}{S_0} \left\{ (I(t) - I_0) k(x + x' - 2\bar{x}) - k^2 \left( \frac{x^2 + x'^2}{2} - \bar{x}^2 \right) \right\}$$

Cooling by feedback  $\hat{H}^{fb} = -F \hat{x}, \quad F = -\gamma (m\omega_0 \bar{x} + \bar{p})$

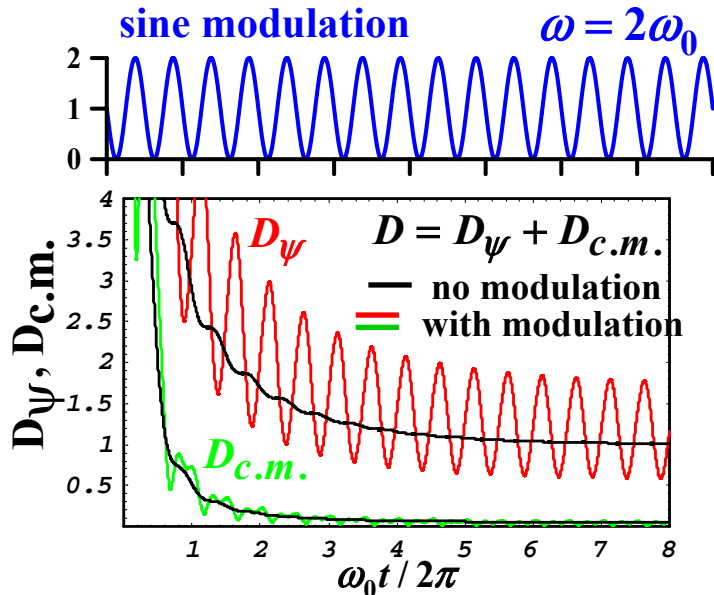
Formalism similar to A. Hopkins et al., 2003 & Doherty-Jacobs, 1999



# QND squeezing of a nanoresonator by feedback

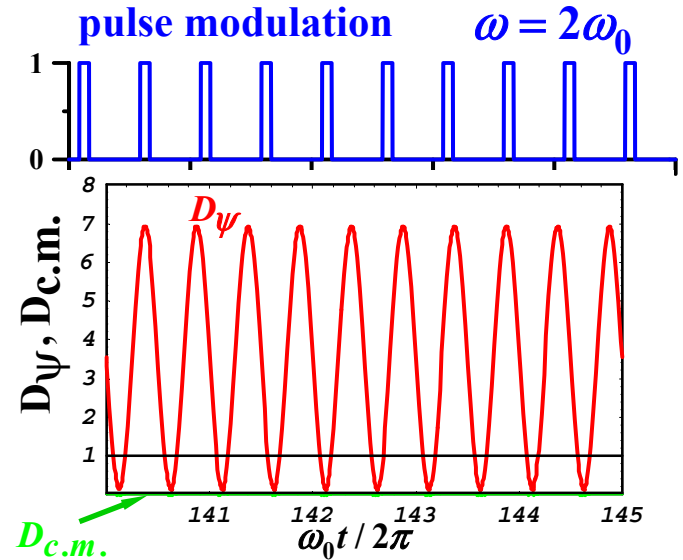
Constant voltage – no squeezing at  $C \ll 1$  (Hopkins, Jacobs, Habib, Schwab, 2003)

**We consider periodic  $V(t)$  – squeezing possible!** (Ruskov-Korotkov, 2004)



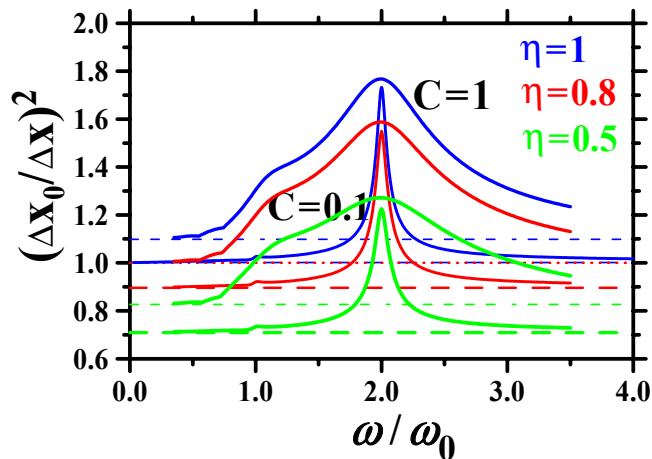
$$C = 0.1$$

$$\frac{\gamma}{\omega_0} = 10$$



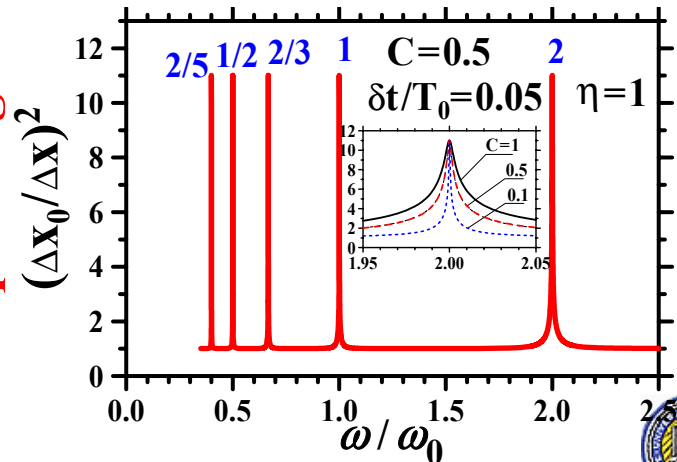
$$D_{c.m.} \ll D_{\psi}$$

squeezing



Squeezing resonances at  $\omega = \frac{2\omega_0}{n}$

Squeezing



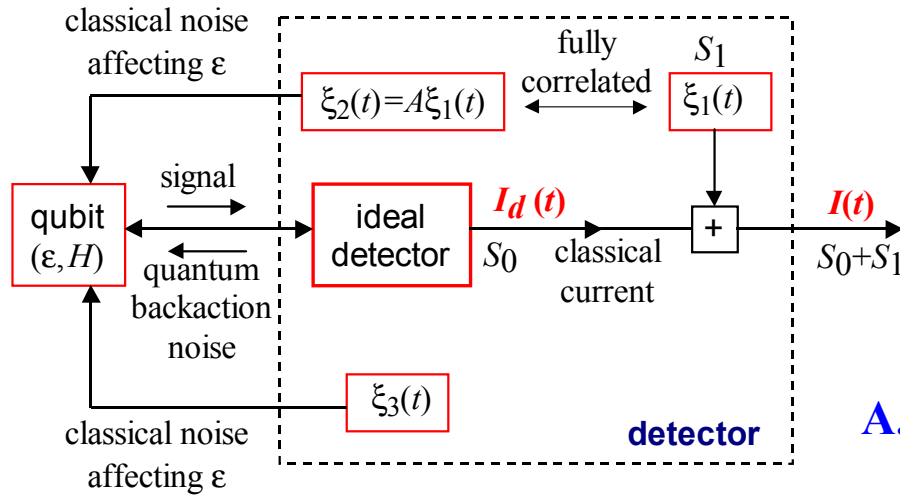


# Conclusions

- **Bayesian formalism for continuous quantum measurement is simple (almost trivial); but still a new interesting subject in solid-state mesoscopics**
- **Quantum feedback of a single qubit can keep the Rabi oscillations in a qubit for arbitrary long time; feedback can be realized in a simple way via quadratures**
- **Two qubits can be made fully entangled just by measuring them with an equally coupled detector**
- **Various experimental predictions have been made using the Bayesian formalism; the range of applications still expanding**
- **No experiments yet; hopefully, coming soon**



# 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

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

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

## 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  $(\epsilon_I \epsilon_{BA} - \epsilon_{I,BA})^{1/2} \geq \hbar/2$

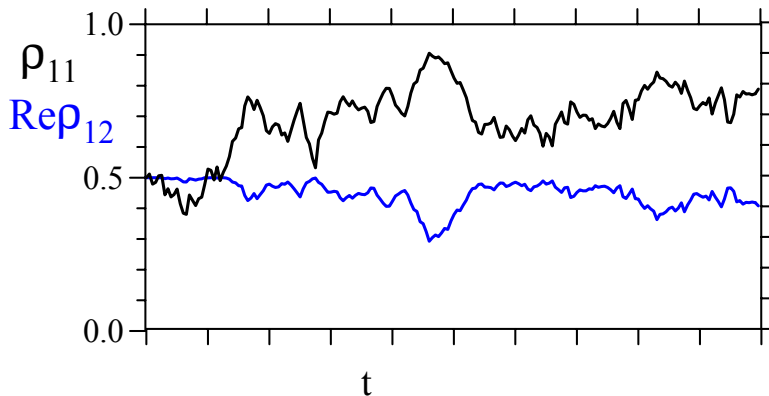


# Direct Bayesian experiments

(A.K., 1998)

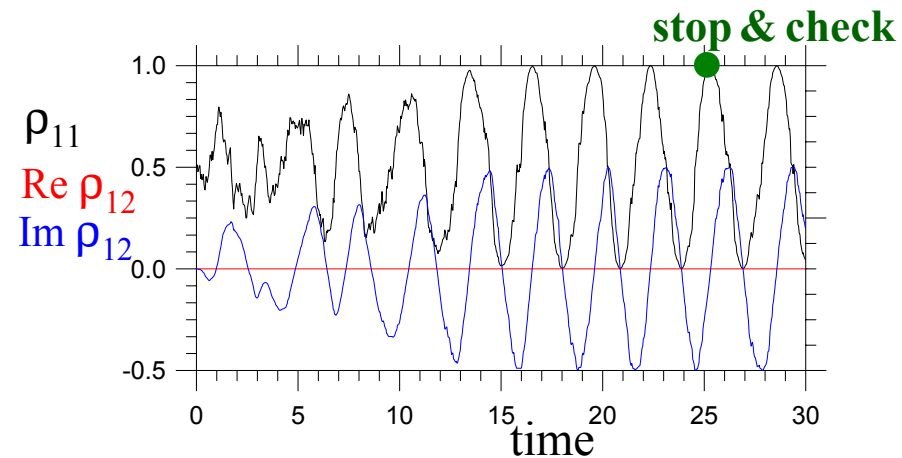
Idea: check the evolution of (almost pure!) qubit state given by Bayesian equations

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  $\sim 1-10$  GHz.



# 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

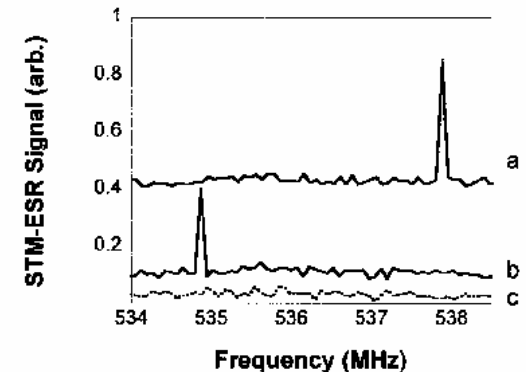


FIG. 3. STM-ESR spectra of (a), (b) two different areas (a few nm apart) of the molecule-covered sample and (c) bare HOPG. The graphs are shifted vertically for clarity.

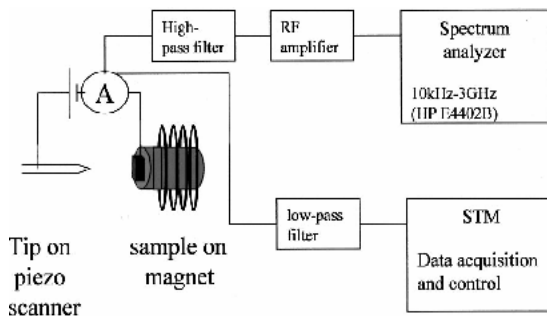


FIG. 1. Schematic of the electronics used in STM-ESR.

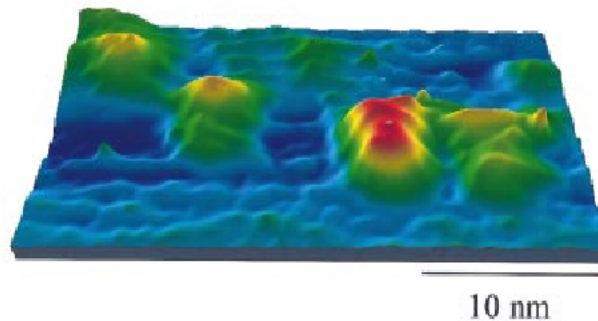


FIG. 2. (Color) STM image of a 250 Å x 150 Å area of HOPG with four adsorbed BDPA molecules.

**peak**  $\leq$  **3.5**  
**noise**

(Colm Durkan,  
private comm.)

