## Entanglement in Superconducting

## Quantum Circuits



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## Timeline of QM + Entanglement



## Entanglement



- "[The meaning of entanglement is]: the best possible knowledge of a whole does not necessarily include the best possible knowledge of all its parts, even though they may be entirely separate"


## Quantum Computing

- Future devices that can harness entanglement to store and process information in parallel (quantum parallelism)


## $\mathrm{Q}: \quad \mid$ input $\left._{1}\right\rangle+\mid$ input $\left._{2}\right\rangle+\cdots$



A: $\mid$ input $\left._{1}\right\rangle \mid$ output $\left._{1}\right\rangle+\mid$ input $\left._{2}\right\rangle\left\langle\right.$ output $\left._{2}\right\rangle+\cdots$

## Quantum Bits

- Any system with two distinct states can represent a bit (0 or 1), the fundamental unit of information.
- Any quantum system with two distinct states (or any superposition thereof) can represent a quantum bit (qubit) of quantum information (e.g. spins:

Cube-bit

$$
|0\rangle=|\backslash\rangle,|1\rangle=|\rrbracket\rangle
$$



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



## Quantum Information Processing

- Quantum information allows superposition:
- 3 classical bits: 000 or 001 or 010 or ... 111
(8 distinct possibilities)
- 3 quantum bits:

$$
|\Psi\rangle=(|000\rangle+|001\rangle+|010\rangle+\ldots|111\rangle) / 2^{3 / 2}
$$

(8 simultaneous possibilities)

- Quantum computers use superpositions to sample large number of simultaneous possibilities:



## $\Psi$ <br> Quantum Mechanics



- Quantized Energy: Energy comes in discrete packets (quanta), transferred by photons
- Uncertainty principle: position and momentum cannot be measured simultaneously (complementary properties)
- Superposition: Particles can be in many states or places at once (waveparticle duality)



## $\Psi$ <br> Quantum Mechanics



## Schrödinger's Equation

$$
i \hbar \partial_{t} \Psi(x, t)=\left(-\frac{\hbar^{2}}{2 m} \nabla^{2}+V(x, t)\right) \Psi(x, t)
$$

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## Timeline of Superconducting Quantum Circuits



## Macroscopic Superpositions?



Tony Leggett


- "Is there actually any evidence that macroscopic systems can ... be in quantum states which are linear superpositions of states with different macroscopic properties?"
- If the answer is NO, perhaps QM is simply not valid at the macroscopic level and some new law of nature prevents Schrödinger's Cat from ever getting out of the bag!
- He encouraged a study of certain quantum effects in superconductors

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## Superconductivity

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## Superconducting QCs

Potential for 10000s of quantum bits on a single microchip.


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## LC Oscillators

- Oscillating electric circuit
- Moving charges ~ Kinetic energy
- Stored electric fields ~ Potential energy

Simulation


- Energy oscillates at well-defined frequency (simple harmonic oscillator)

Superconducting LC



## Other "Simple" Oscillators



$$
\begin{aligned}
& x=A \cos (2 \pi f t) \\
& T=2 \pi \sqrt{\frac{L}{g}} \\
& f=\frac{1}{2 \pi} \sqrt{\frac{g}{L}} \\
& \mathrm{~L}=1 \mathrm{~m}, \mathrm{f}=\mathbf{0 . 5 \mathrm { Hz } \text { Time (seconds) }} \\
& T=2 \pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}} \\
& f=\frac{1}{2 \pi} \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}
\end{aligned}
$$

## $\Psi$ <br> Quantum LC Oscillator

- Superconducting LC Oscillator described by a wavefunction for the total Cooper pair current $I=\Phi / L: \Psi(\Phi)$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& E=\frac{1}{2 C} Q^{2}+\frac{1}{2} L I^{2} \\
& \Leftrightarrow H=\frac{1}{2 C} p_{\Phi}{ }^{2}+\frac{1}{2 L} \Phi^{2} \approx \frac{1}{2 m} p^{2}+\frac{1}{2} m \omega^{2} x^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$



- This has equally spaced quantized energy levels.

$$
p \rightarrow-i \hbar \frac{d}{d x} \Rightarrow p_{\Phi} \rightarrow-i \hbar \frac{d}{d \Phi} \quad-\frac{\hbar^{2}}{2 C} \frac{d^{2} \Psi}{d \Phi^{2}}+\frac{1}{2 L} \Phi^{2} \Psi=E \Psi
$$

## $\Psi$ <br> Quantum LC Oscillator

$-\frac{\hbar^{2}}{2 C} \frac{d^{2} \Psi}{d \Phi^{2}}+\frac{1}{2 L} \Phi^{2} \Psi=E \Psi$
$E_{n}=\hbar \omega_{0}\left(n+\frac{1}{2}\right), \omega_{0}=1 / \sqrt{L C}$



- This circuit allows the Cooper pair current to exhibit superposition!
- But there is a problem!
- Transitions between energy levels involve energy level differences, which are constant for a harmonic oscillator.
- There is no way to excite individual energy levels (e.g. $|0\rangle \leftrightarrow|1\rangle$ ).


## Superconducting Oscillators



- Josephson Junctions change how electrons move (tunnel through barrier), giving a tunable inductor.



## Josephson Junction

- Superconducting, tunable, anharmonic oscillator formed by an intrinsic capacitance, nonlinear inductor (energy stored through the phases of Cooper pairs).
- Circuit described by a wavefunction for the total Cooper pair current, given through the phase difference $\gamma: \quad I=I_{\mathrm{c}} \sin \gamma: \Psi(\gamma)$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& E=\frac{1}{2 C} Q^{2}-\frac{\Phi_{0}}{2 \pi}\left(I_{c} \cos \gamma+I_{b} \gamma\right), \Phi_{0}=\frac{h}{2 e} \\
& \Leftrightarrow H=\frac{1}{2 C\left(\Phi_{0} / 2 \pi\right)^{2}} p_{\gamma}^{2}-\frac{\Phi_{0}}{2 \pi}\left(I_{c} \cos \gamma+I_{b} \gamma\right) \\
& -\frac{\hbar^{2}}{2 C\left(\Phi_{0} / 2 \pi\right)^{2}} \frac{d^{2} \Psi}{d \gamma^{2}}-\frac{\Phi}{2 \pi}\left(I_{c} \cos \gamma+I_{b}\right) \psi=E \Psi
\end{aligned}
$$

Adjust both $I_{c}$ and $I_{b}$

## Tunable Quantum Oscillator



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Adjust $I_{C}$ (high to low) with $I_{b}=0$

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## Phase Qubit Spectroscopy




Sudeep Dutta et al. (Univ. Maryland)

Each microwave transition is an excitation of the junction with an increased tunneling rate. Bright indicates a large number of tunneling events, dark a small number of events.


## Superconducting Oscillators



Yale


- Key Properties:
- Oscillate like a pendulum
- Quantized Energy Levels:
- Tunable by external circuits!
- "Artificial Atoms"


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## Coupled Phase Qubits

Coupling
Capacitors Junction 2


$$
\begin{aligned}
H= & \frac{1}{2 m}(1+\xi)^{-1}\left(p_{1}^{2}+p_{2}^{2}+2 \xi p_{1} p_{2}\right) \\
& -\frac{\Phi_{0}}{2 \pi}\left(I_{c 1} \cos \gamma_{1}+I_{1} \gamma_{1}+I_{c 2} \cos \gamma_{2}+I_{2} \gamma_{2}\right)
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$$

## Coupled Phase Qubits: Theory

P. R. Johnson, F. W. Strauch et al., Pbysical Revien B 67, 020502(R) (2003).

F. W. Strauch et al., Pbysical Review Letters 91, 167005 (2003).



Quantum Logic Gates

## Coupled Phase Qubits: Experiments

A. J. Berkley, H. Xu, R. C. Ramos, M. A. Gubrud, F. W. Strauch et al., Science, 300, 1548 (2003).


## Coupling Qubits by Resonant Cavities


"Coherent quantum state storage and transfer between two phase qubits via a resonant cavity", M. Sillanpaa, J. I. Park, and R. W. Simmonds, Nature 449, 438 (2007)

## Qubit "Rides the Quantum Bus"



## Superconducting Resonator



## Bell Inequality Experiment

Create entangled qubits, measure all of their properties---violate Bell's inequality!
M. Ansmann et al., "Violation of Bell's inequality in Josephson phase qubits", Nature 461, 504 (2009)


## Three-Qubit Entanglement



Schoelkopf Lab


Leo DiCarlo et al., "Preparation and measurement of three-qubit entanglement in a superconducting circuit", Nature 467, 574 (2010)

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## Four Qubits + Five Resonators



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## Entangling Resonators

FWS, K Jacobs, and RW Simmonds, Phys. Rev. Lett. 105, 050501 (2010)

Algorithm to generate interesting entangled states, e.g. "NOON" states:

$$
\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(|N\rangle_{A}|0\rangle_{B}+|0\rangle_{A}|N\rangle_{B}\right)
$$



## Arbitrary Control of a <br> Superconducting Resonator <br> $$
|0\rangle+i|3\rangle+|6\rangle
$$

 states in a microwave resonator. Colors denote the values of the Wigner quasi: probability distributions for each superposition state as a function of the complex phase-space amplitude $a$. Negative values of the probability reflect the quantum interferences. The agreement is good between the theoretical calculations (top panels) and the experimental values (bottom panels). (Adapted from ref. 1.)

- Martinis Group, UC Santa Barbara (2008)


## Entangled Resonator Theory

R

$\mathrm{n}_{\mathrm{a}}=\#$ photons in resonator A $n_{b}=\#$ photons in resonator $B$
-Rabi pulses (R) drive qubit transitions $(q=0 \rightarrow 1)$

- Shift pulses ( $\mathbf{A}+\mathbf{B}$ ) transfer quanta between qubit and resonators
-Program of A, B, R, can generate any entangled state we want!
$|\psi\rangle_{q u b i t}|3\rangle_{A}|0\rangle_{B}$


## NOON State Example

## High NOON state:

J.P. Dowling, Contemp. Phys. 49, 125 (2008)

$$
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TABLE I: Procedure for $\Psi=|0,3,0\rangle+|0,0,3\rangle$

| Step | Parameters | Quantum State |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| $R_{a, 1}$ | $\Omega t_{q a, 1}=\pi / 2, \omega_{d}=\omega_{0}$ | $\|0,0,0\rangle-i\|1,0,0\rangle$ |
| $A_{1}$ | $g_{a} t_{a, 1}=\pi / 2$ | $\|0,0,0\rangle-\|0,1,0\rangle$ |
| $R_{a, 2}$ | $\Omega t_{q a, 2}=\pi, \omega_{d}=\omega_{1}$ | $\|0,0,0\rangle+i\|1,1,0\rangle$ |
| $A_{2}$ | $g_{a} t_{a, 2}=\pi /(2 \sqrt{2})$ | $\|0,0,0\rangle+\|0,2,0\rangle$ |
| $R_{a, 3}$ | $\Omega t_{q a, 3}=\pi, \omega_{d}=\omega_{2}$ | $\|0,0,0\rangle-i\|1,2,0\rangle$ |
| $A_{3}$ | $g_{a} t_{a, 3}=\pi /(2 \sqrt{3})$ | $\|0,0,0\rangle-\|0,3,0\rangle$ |
| $R_{b, 1}$ | $\Omega t_{q b, 1}=\pi, \omega_{d}=\omega_{0}$ | $-i\|1,0,0\rangle-\|0,3,0\rangle$ |
| $B_{1}$ | $g_{b} t_{b, 1}=\pi / 2$ | $-\|0,0,1\rangle-\|0,3,0\rangle$ |
| $R_{b, 2}$ | $\Omega t_{q b, 2}=\pi, \omega_{d}=\omega_{-1}$ | $i\|1,0,1\rangle-\|0,3,0\rangle$ |
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## Programming Entanglement



## Experimental Results

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## Decoherence for NOON States

- Superconducting resonators are super, but not perfect---they lose quanta to the environment in time 100-10000 ns $F \sim e^{-t / T_{q}} e^{-N t / T_{r}}$


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## Quantum Routing on Resonator

 Networks- Programmable: Any two nodes can communicate by programming the qubit frequencies in the network.
- Parallel: Multiple quantum states can be transferred at the same time.
- Efficient: Transfer time is independent of the distance between nodes!
- High Fidelity: $\mathrm{F}>90 \%$ possible using existin technology, modest dimensions!

Requires Study of Disorder and Decoherence
FWS and C.J. Williams,
Phys. Rev. B 78, 094516 (2008)


Chris Chudzicki and FWS, Phys. Rev. Lett. 105, 260501 (2010)

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## Apker Finalists Moet in Washington

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## Quantum Machines?

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- $\mathrm{Q}:$ When will we have a quantum computer?


A: $|2020\rangle+|2030\rangle+|2040\rangle+|2050\rangle+\cdots$ ?

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