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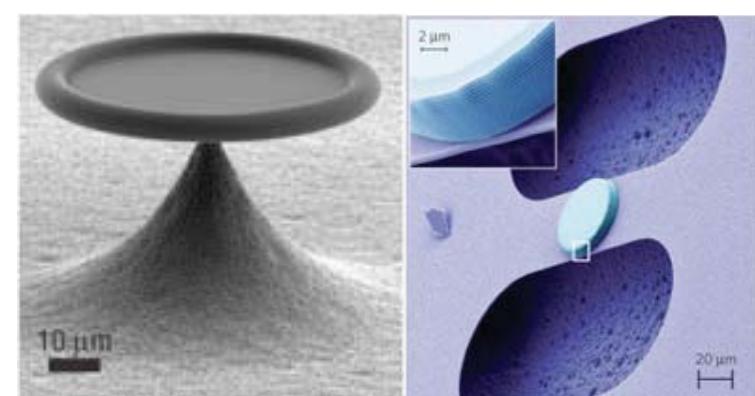
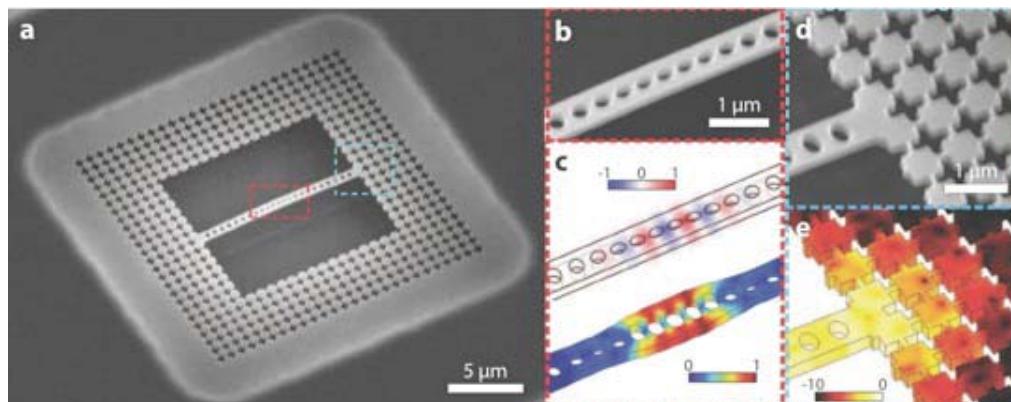
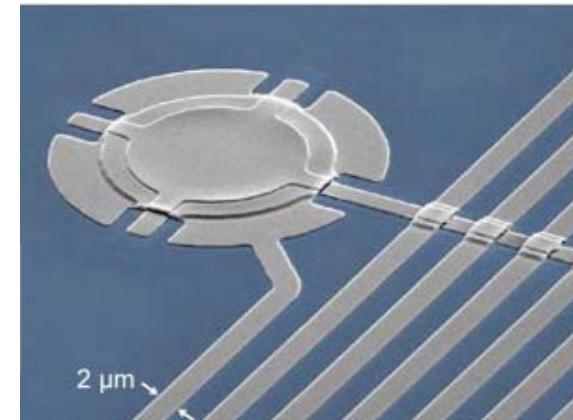
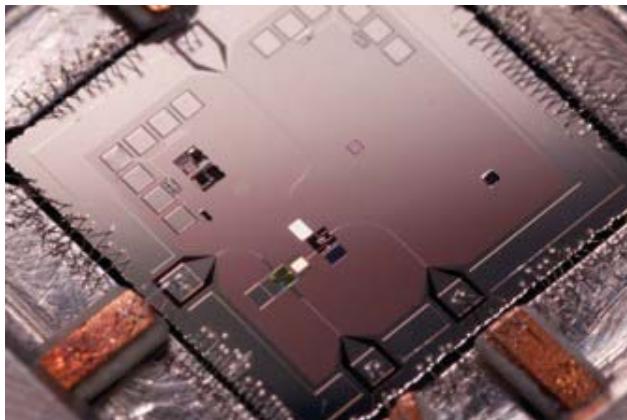
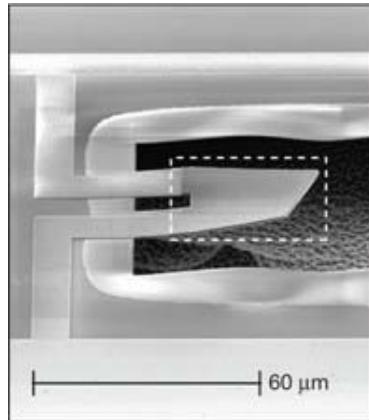
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Ground State Cooling



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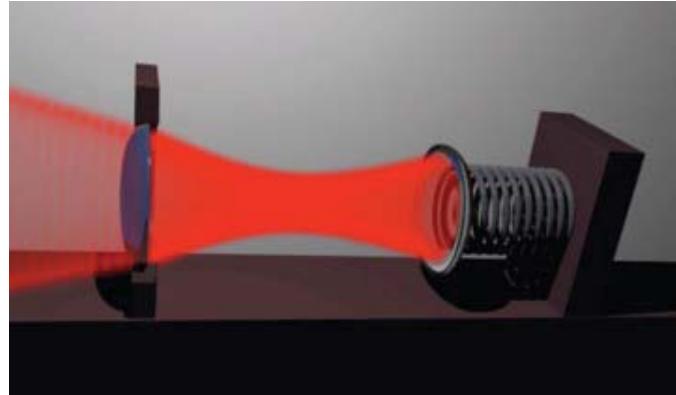
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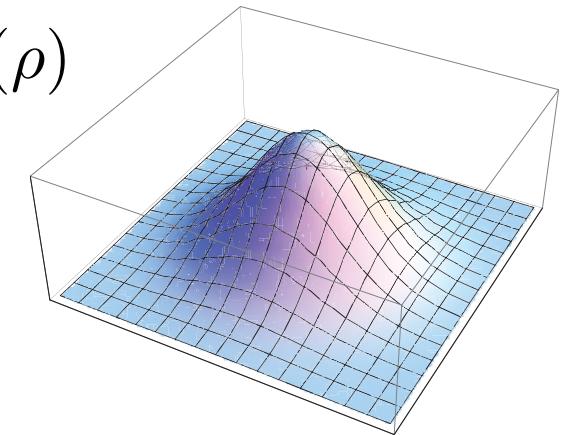
ground state cooling realized → quantum regime

Classical vs Nonclassical States



$$\dot{\rho} = -i [H, \rho] + \frac{\gamma}{2} \mathcal{D}(\rho)$$

at most quadratic
in a^\dagger, a, X and P



- states with Gaussian Wigner function stay Gaussian
- asymptotic states have Gaussian Wigner function

- can only generate classical states
- need nonlinearity to generate genuine quantum states

coupling to external nonlinearity
nonlinear coupling to photons

here we consider a nonlinearity in the mechanical oscillator

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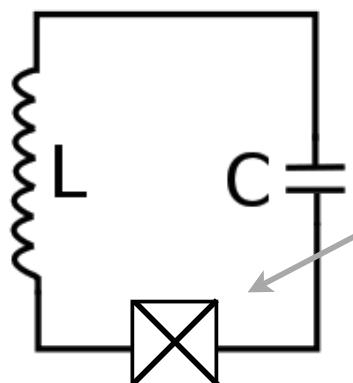
Linear and Nonlinear Quantum Systems

$$H = \frac{P^2}{2m} + \frac{m}{2}\omega X^2 \quad \frac{d^2}{dt^2}X = -\omega^2 X \quad \frac{d^2}{dt^2}\langle X \rangle = -\omega^2 \langle X \rangle$$

$$H = \frac{P^2}{2m} + \frac{m}{2}\omega X^2 + \lambda X^4 \quad \frac{d^2}{dt^2}X = -\omega^2 X - 4\frac{\lambda}{m}X^3$$

e.g. electrical circuits:

$$I \propto \Phi$$



$$\langle X^3 \rangle \neq \langle X \rangle^3$$

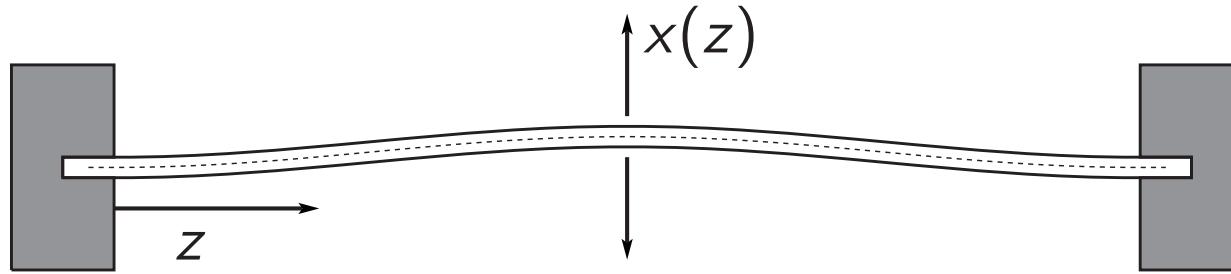
Josephson junction

$$I \propto \sin \left(2\pi \frac{\Phi}{\Phi_0} \right)$$

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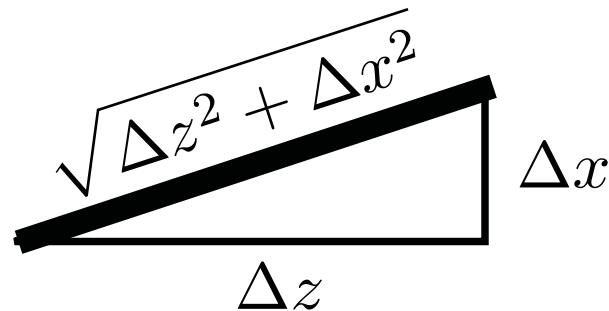
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Elasticity of Thin Beams



bending energy $V_b = \frac{\mathcal{F}\kappa^2}{2} \int_0^L dz \left(\frac{d^2x}{dz^2} \right)^2 \rightarrow \text{harmonic potential}$
 $V_b \propto X^2$

stretching energy $V_s = \frac{\mathcal{F}}{2} \frac{(L_t - L)^2}{L} \approx \frac{\mathcal{F}}{8L} \left[\int_0^L dz \left(\frac{dx}{dz} \right)^2 \right]^2$



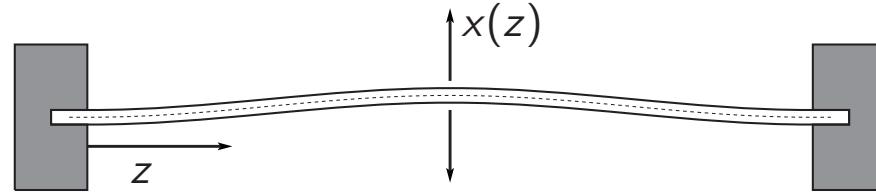
$$\sqrt{\Delta z^2 + \Delta x^2} - \Delta z \approx \frac{\Delta x^2}{2\Delta z} \quad V_s \propto X^4$$

$\rightarrow \text{nonlinear potential}$

Elasticity of Thin Beams

in normal modes

$$x(z) = \sum_n \Phi_n(z) X_n(t)$$



for one mode only

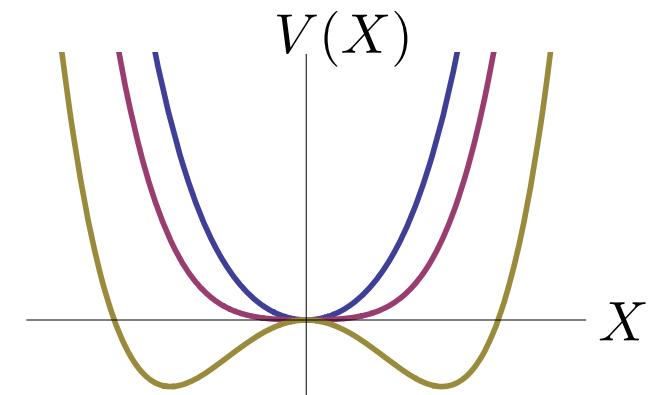
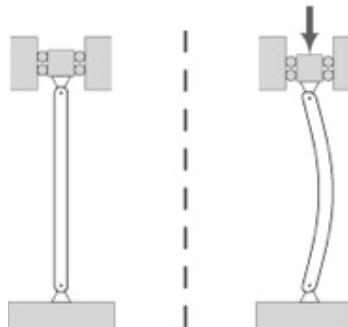
$$H = \frac{P^2}{2m} + \frac{m}{2} \tilde{\omega}_m X^2 + \tilde{\lambda} X^4$$

diamond bar of
500nm x 20nm x 10nm

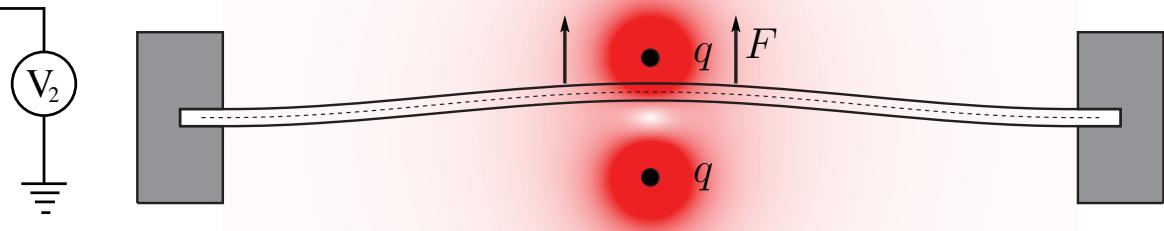
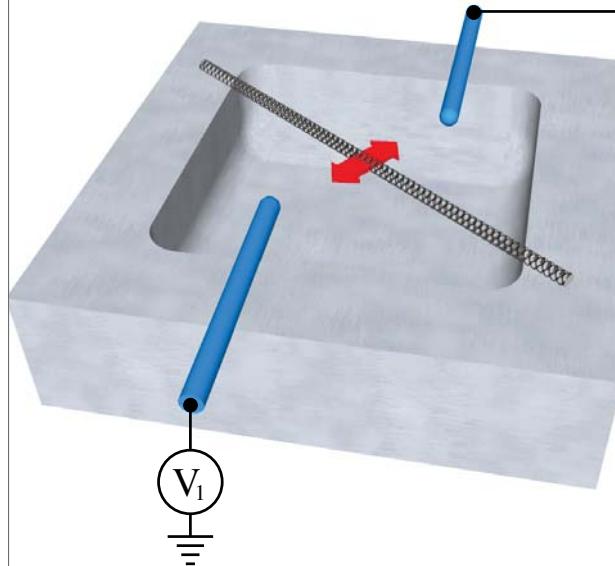
$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\omega}_m &\sim 2\text{GHz} \\ \hbar/(4m^2 \tilde{\omega}_m^2) \tilde{\lambda} &\sim 3\text{Hz} \end{aligned}$$

very
small

compressive strain
→ buckling



Applying Electrostatic Fields

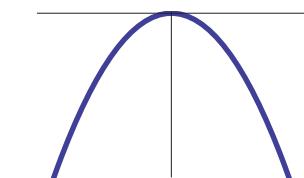


inhomogeneous electrostatic field

$$V_e = -\frac{\alpha}{2} \int dV |E|^2 \approx V_{e,0} + \xi_1 X - \xi_2 X^2$$

$\xi_1 \propto V_1 - V_2$ shift equilibrium

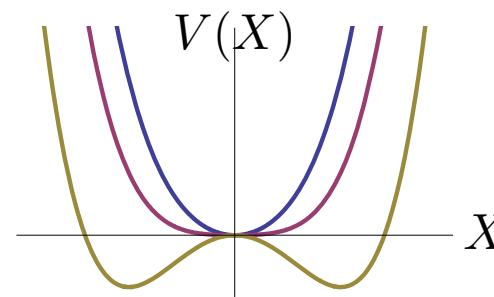
$$\tilde{X}_0 \rightarrow X_0$$



$\xi_2 \propto V_1 + V_2$ soften frequency

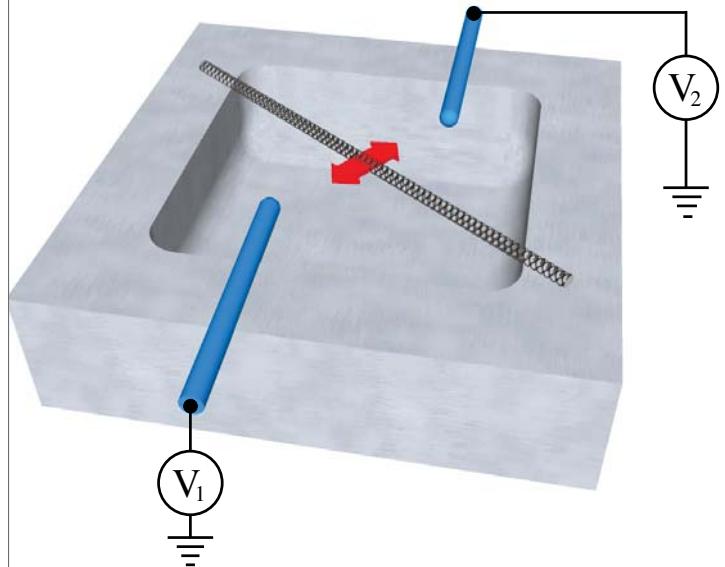
$$\tilde{\omega}_m \rightarrow \omega_m < \tilde{\omega}_m$$

$$H = \frac{P^2}{2m} + \frac{m}{2} \tilde{\omega}_m X^2 + \tilde{\lambda} X^4$$



precise
control and
tunability

Nonlinearity per Phonon



dynamics of mechanical oscillator:

$$H = \frac{P^2}{2m} + \frac{m}{2}\tilde{\omega}_m X^2 + \tilde{\lambda}X^4$$

if we decrease the harmonic oscillation frequency:

$$\tilde{\omega}_m \rightarrow \omega_m < \tilde{\omega}_m$$

$$X = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega_m}} (b + b^\dagger)$$

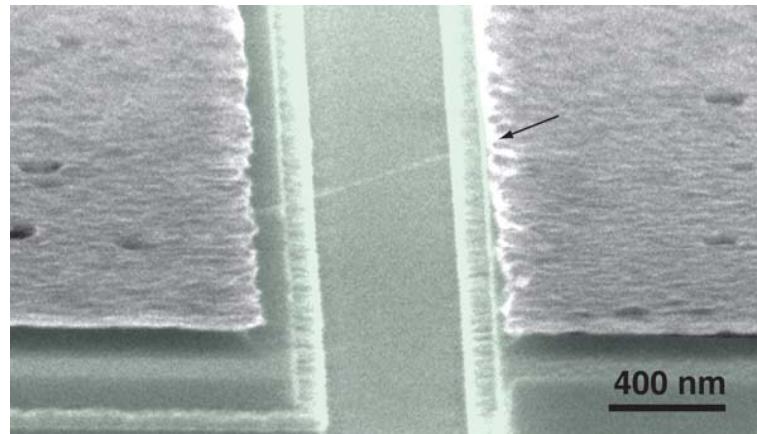
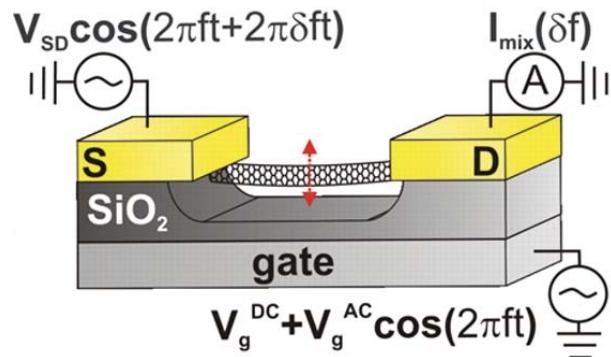
$$\tilde{\lambda}X^4 \approx \lambda b^\dagger b^\dagger b b$$

$$\lambda \propto \frac{1}{\omega_m^2}$$

decrease of
harmonic frequency
enhances
nonlinearity per
phonon

Carbon Nanotubes

What is a good candidate?

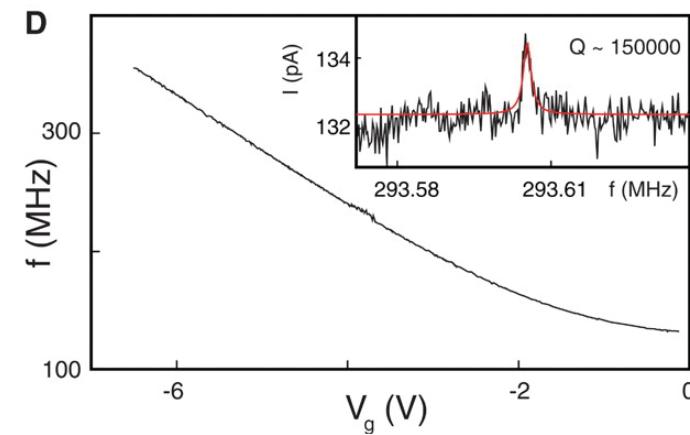


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nonlinearity
without softening:

$$\lambda_0 \propto 1/(mR^2)$$

→ low mass m and
transverse dimension R

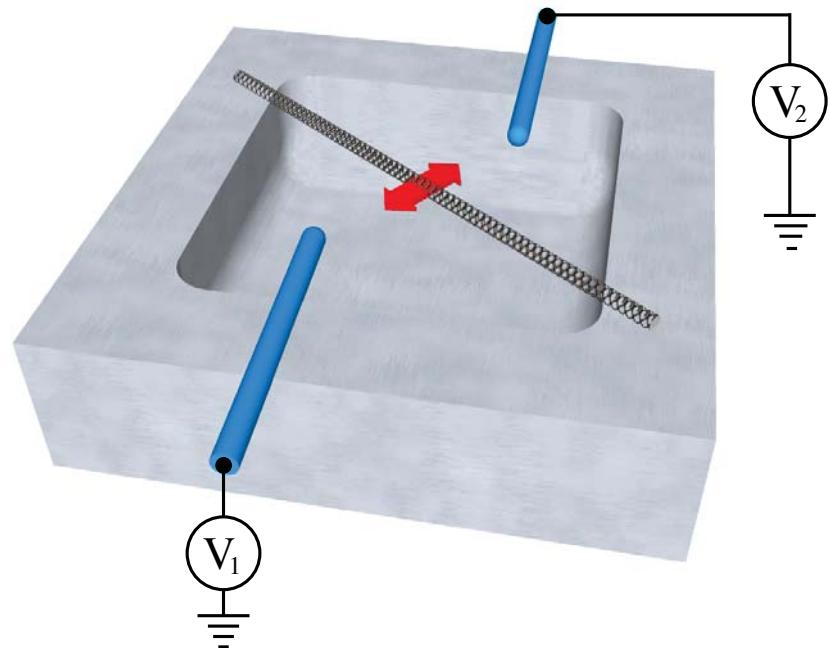
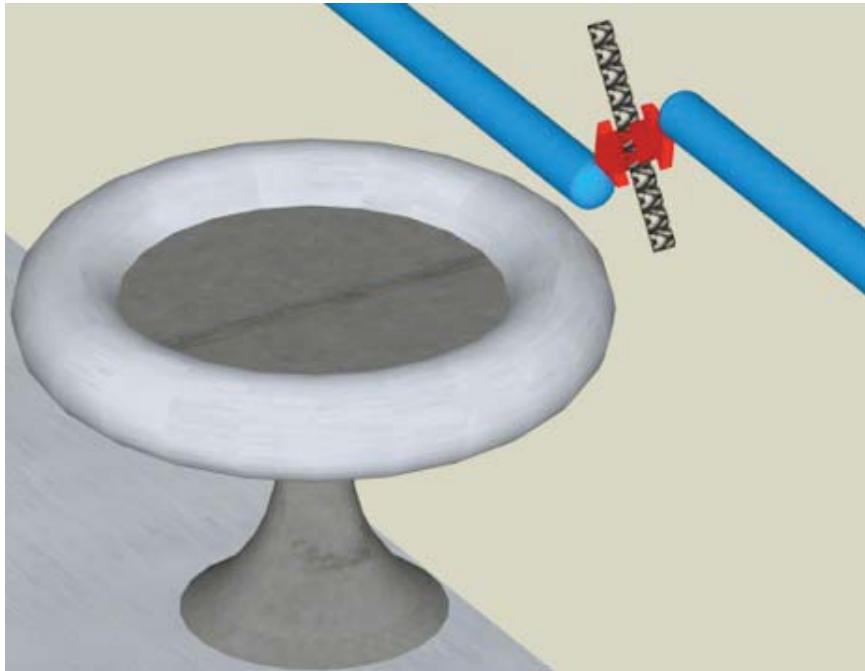


$$f \times Q \sim 10^{14}$$

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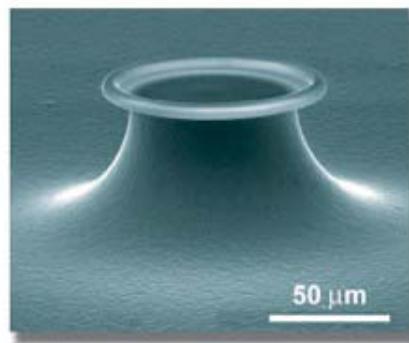
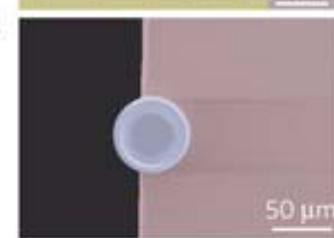
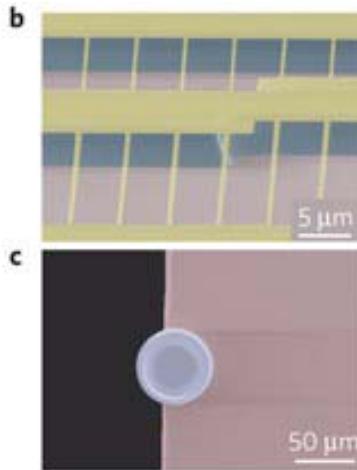
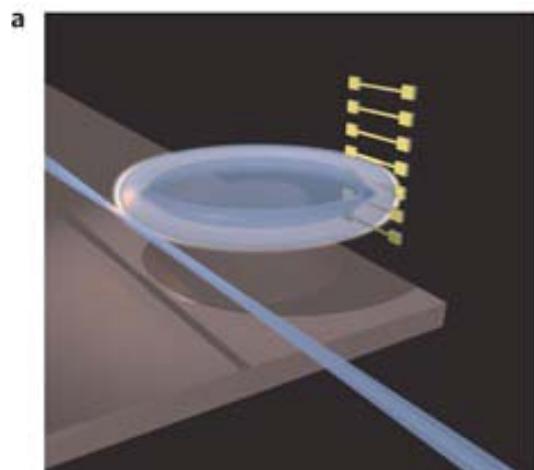
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Optomechanics with Softened Nanobeam

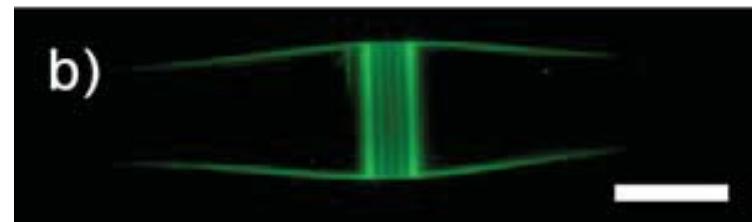
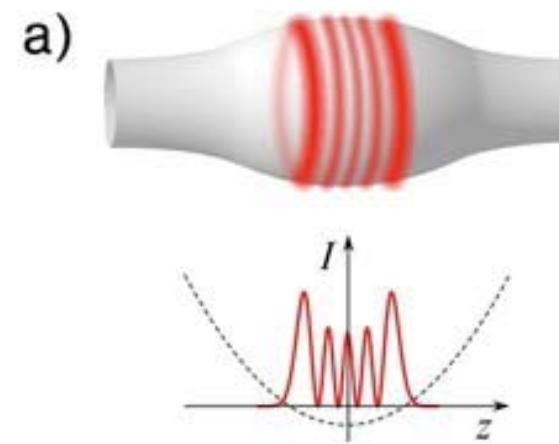


$$H = \Delta a^\dagger a + \frac{\Omega}{2} (a^\dagger + a) + G a^\dagger a (b^\dagger + b) + \omega_m b^\dagger b + \frac{\lambda}{2} (b^\dagger + b)^4$$

Mechanical Oscillators in Evanescent Fields



$$\begin{aligned} m &\sim 10^{-12} \text{ g} \\ \omega_m &\sim 60 \text{ MHz} \\ Q_m &\sim 10^5 \\ \mathcal{F} &\sim 2.3 \times 10^5 \end{aligned}$$



$$\mathcal{F} \sim 10^6$$

G. Anetsberger et al., Nature Physics **5**, 909 - 914 (2009)
Quirin P. Unterreithmeier, Eva M. Weig & Jörg P. Kotthaus,
Nature **458**, 1001 (2009)

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Radiation Pressure Cooling

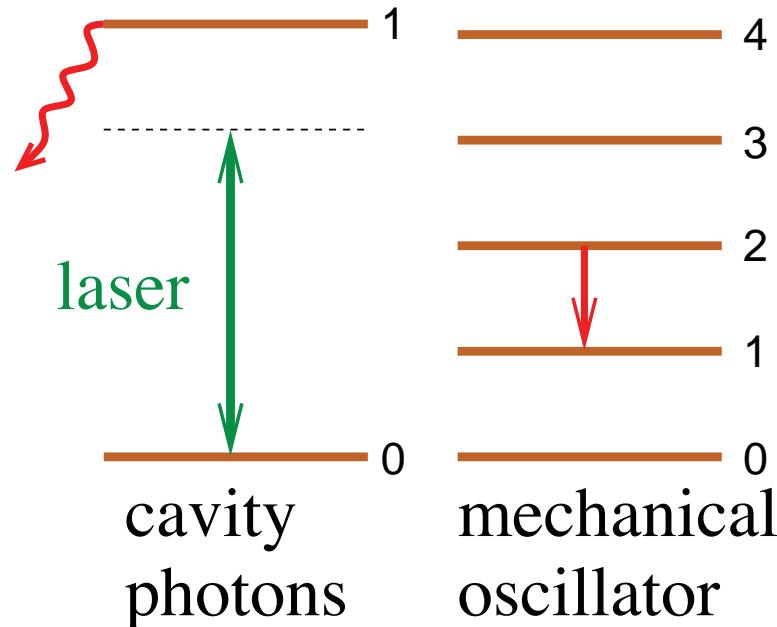
cavity decay can be used to extract energy from mechanical oscillator

for small nonlinearity λ

ground state cooling:

$$\kappa < \omega_m$$

resolved sideband
regime



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Sideband Splitting

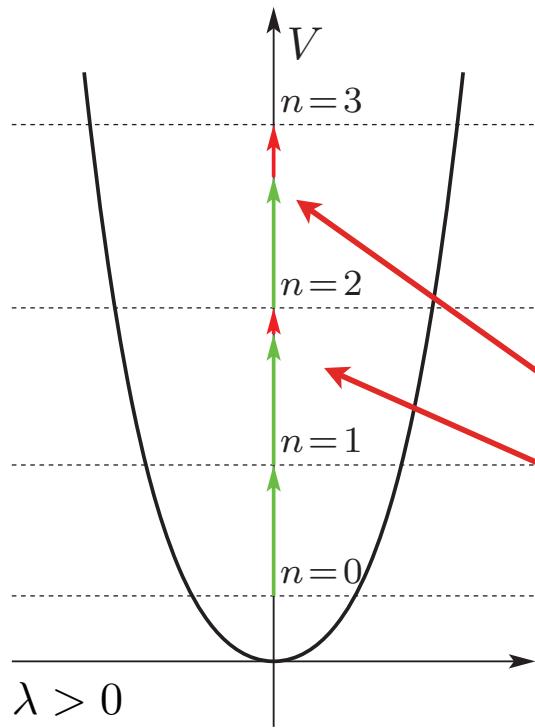
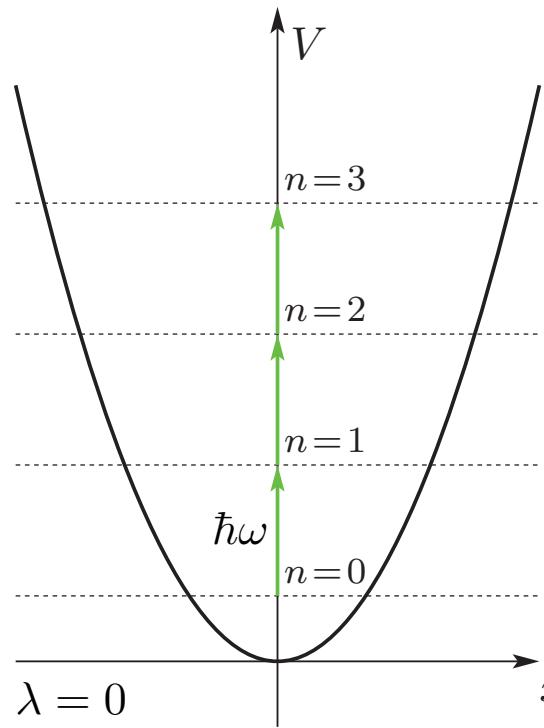
$$X = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega_m}} (b + b^\dagger)$$

$$\tilde{\lambda}X^4 \approx \lambda b^\dagger b^\dagger b b$$

$$\lambda \propto \frac{1}{\omega_m^2}$$

Hamiltonian of mechanical oscillator diagonal in phonon Fock basis

$$\omega_n = \omega_m n + \lambda n(n - 1)$$



can reach

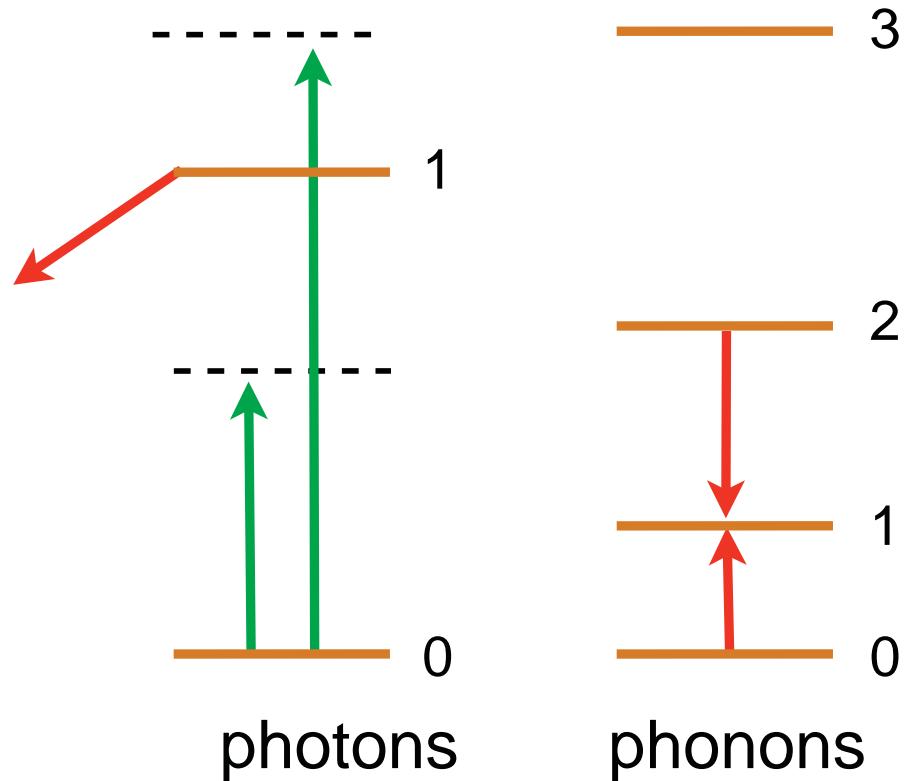
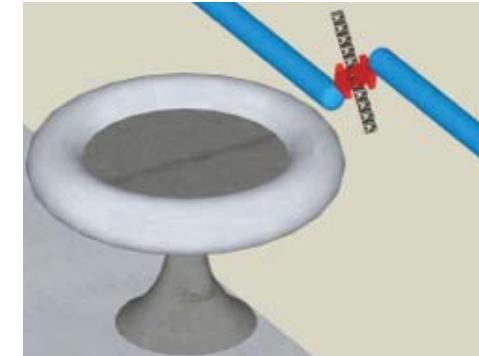
$$\lambda \sim \kappa$$

individually
addressable
by lasers

Driving Split Sidebands

$$E_{m,n} = \omega_m n + \lambda n(n - 1)$$

$$\lambda \sim \kappa$$



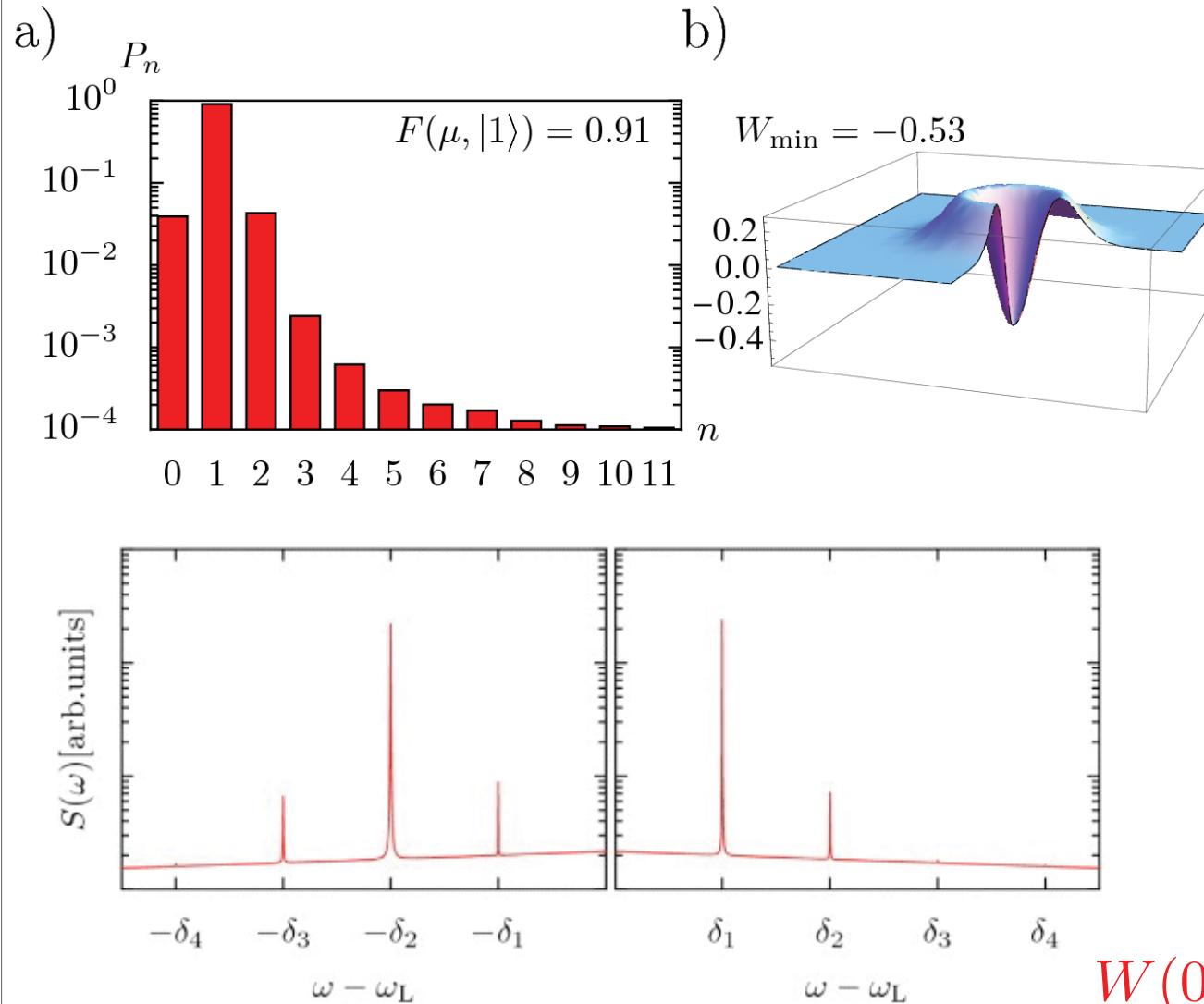
non-classical steady state

→ approaching phonon
Fock states

→ negative Wigner
function

S. Rips, M. Kiffner, I. Wilson-Rae and M.J. Hartmann, New J. Phys. 14, 023042 (2012)

Steady Phonon Fock State



$$\begin{aligned}
 L &= 1 \mu\text{m} \\
 R &= 0.4 \text{ nm} \\
 \omega_m &= 2\pi \times 3.45 \text{ MHz} \\
 \lambda &= 2\pi \times 209 \text{ kHz} \\
 \kappa &= 2\pi \times 53 \text{ kHz} \\
 T &= 20 \text{ mK} \\
 Q_m &= 5 \times 10^6 \\
 g_j &= 2\pi \times 21 \text{ kHz}
 \end{aligned}$$

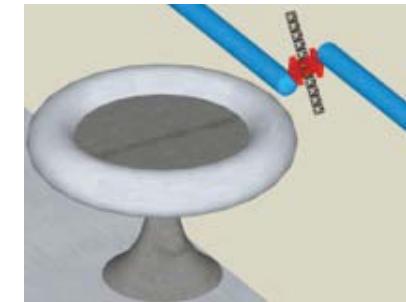
$$\frac{S(\omega_L + \delta_n)}{S(\omega_L - \delta_n)} \approx \frac{P_n}{P_{n-1}}$$

$$W(0,0) = \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_n (-1)^n P_n$$

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Hamiltonian and Damping

$$\dot{\rho} = -i [H, \rho] + \sum_j \frac{\kappa}{2} \mathcal{D}_{c,j}(\rho) + \frac{\gamma_m}{2} \mathcal{D}_m(\rho)$$

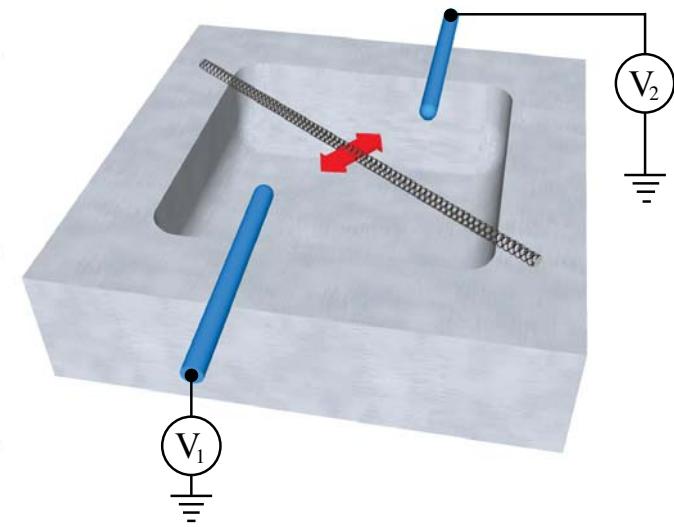
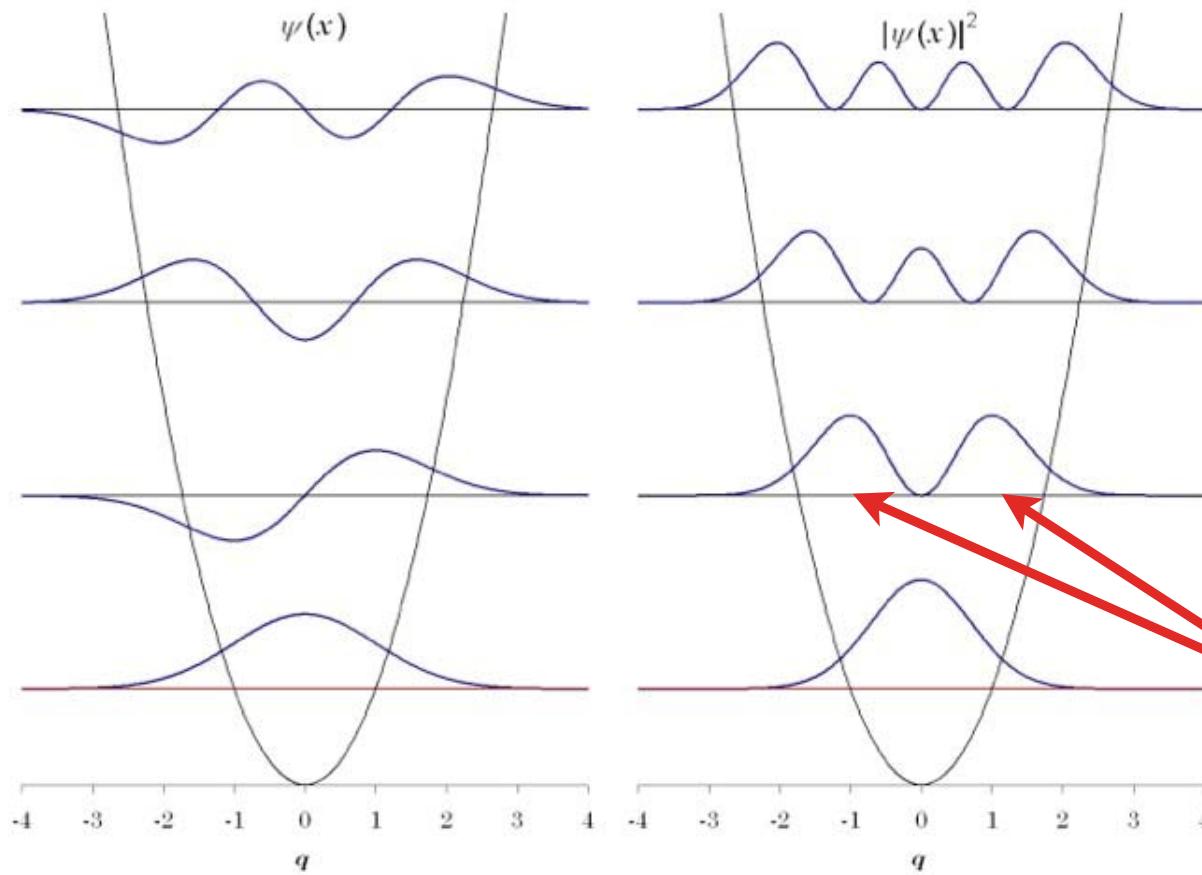


$$\begin{aligned} H &= \sum_j \left[-\Delta_j a_j^\dagger a_j + \left(\frac{\Omega_j^*}{2} a_j + \frac{\Omega_j}{2} a_j^\dagger \right) + G_j a_j^\dagger a_j (b^\dagger + b) \right] \\ &+ \omega_m b^\dagger b + \lambda b^\dagger b^\dagger b b \end{aligned}$$

$$a_j = \langle a_j \rangle + \delta a_j \quad G_j a_j^\dagger a_j (b^\dagger + b) \rightarrow G_j \langle a_j \rangle^* \delta a_j b^\dagger + \text{H.c.}$$

photons in cavity field fluctuations decay much faster than they are created \Rightarrow adiabatic elimination of photons in δa_j

Position Representation

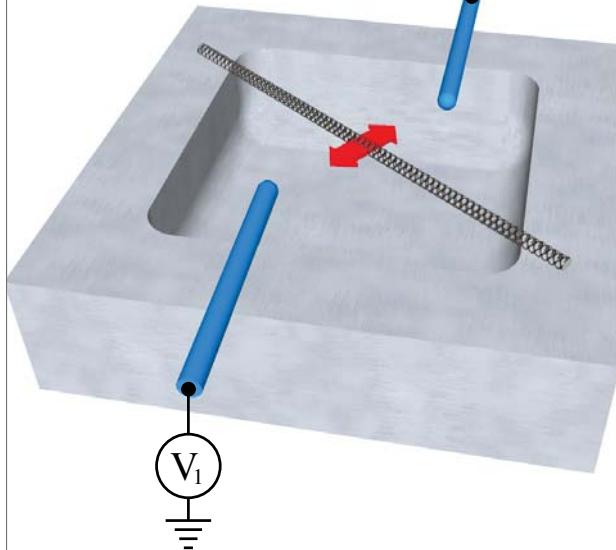


n=1 state:
nanotube is in a
superposition of two
different positions

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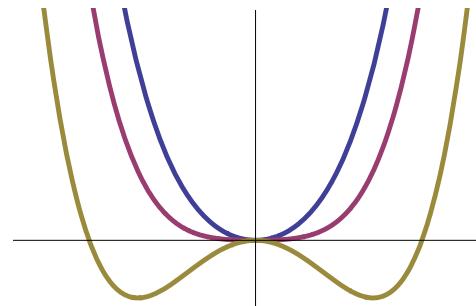
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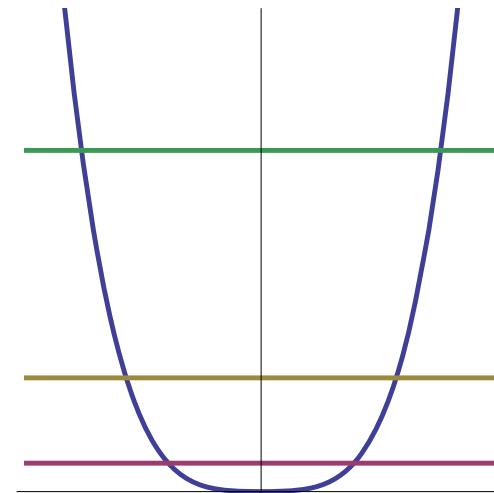
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V_e^z enhances nonlinearity

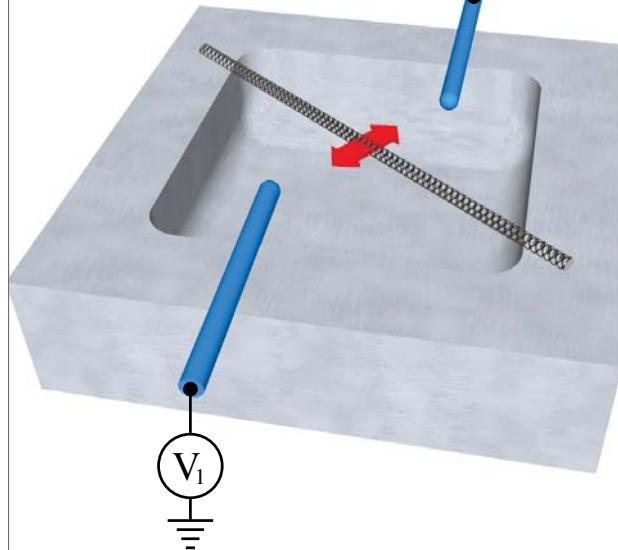
$$H = \frac{P^2}{2m} + \frac{m}{2} \tilde{\omega}_m X^2 + \tilde{\lambda} X^4$$



make so nonlinear that 2nd excited state becomes unreachable \rightarrow **qubit** \Rightarrow



Local Operations

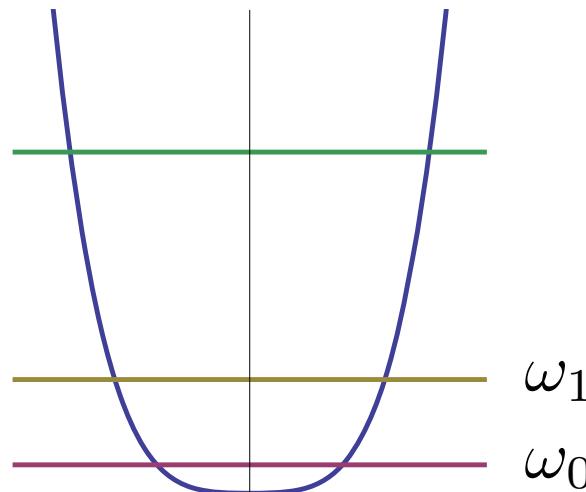


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$$V_e^z \rightarrow V_{e,0}^z + V_{e,1}^z(t)$$

$\omega_1 - \omega_0$

σ^z - rotation



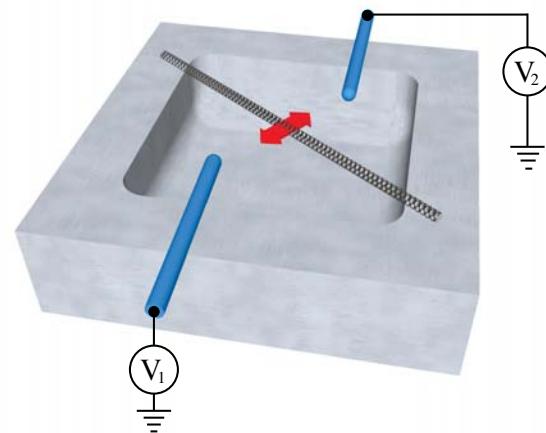
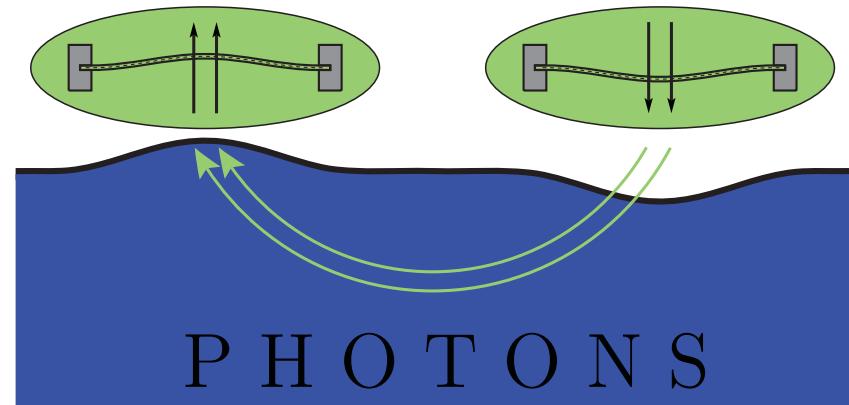
$$V_e^{xy} \propto \cos[(\omega_1 - \omega_0)t + \theta]$$

\downarrow

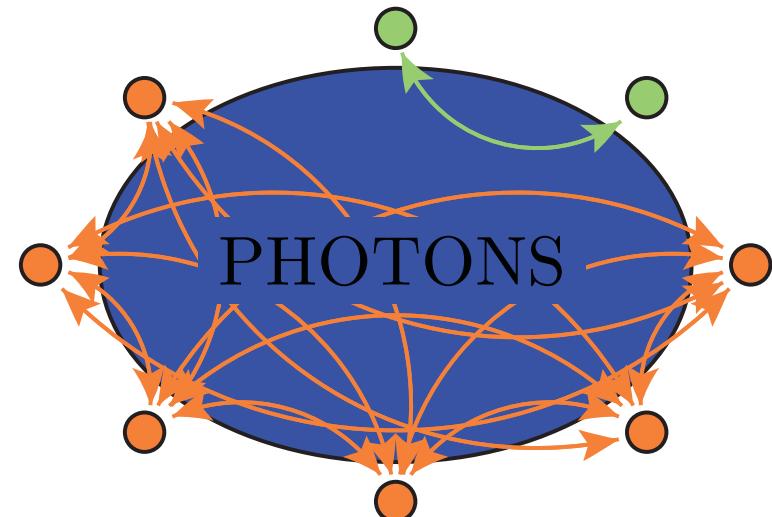
$\cos(\theta) \sigma^x + \sin(\theta) \sigma^y$ - rotation

$$X \rightarrow X_{10}|1\rangle\langle 0| + X_{10}^*|0\rangle\langle 1|$$

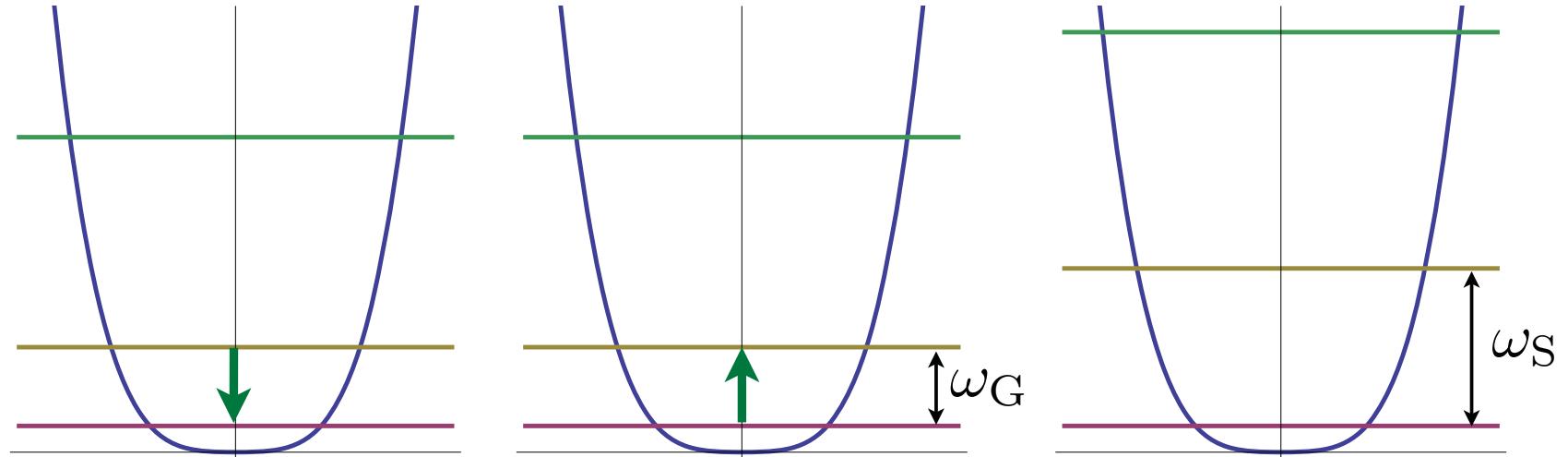
Two-Qubit Gates



tune each
qubit
individually to
different
transition
frequency



Two-Qubit Gates



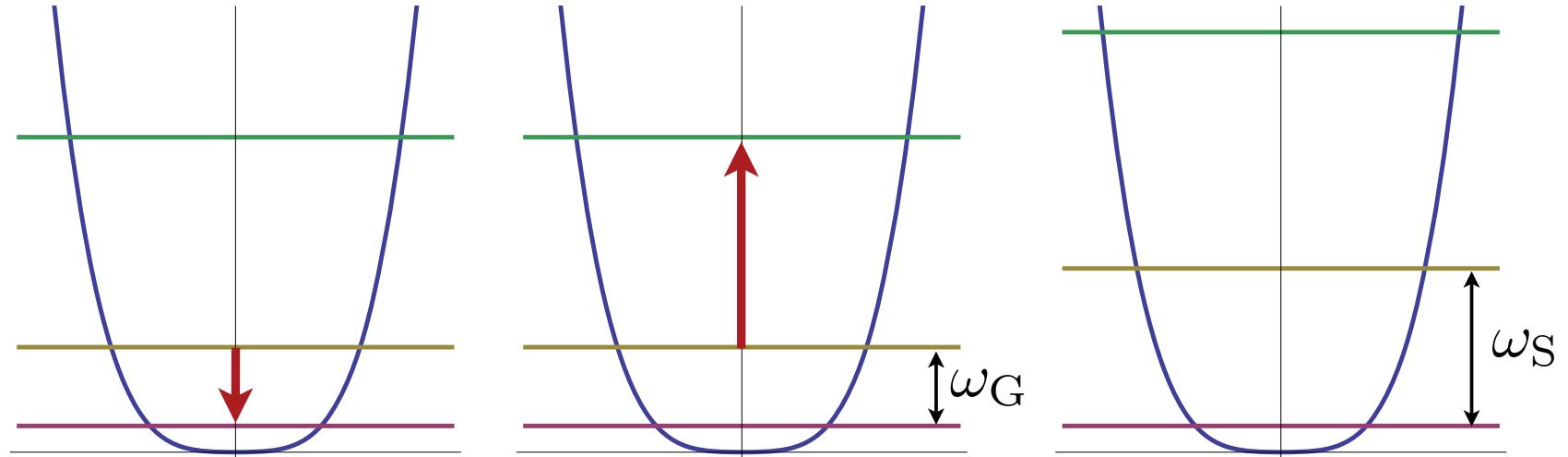
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$$X_j = (b_j + b_j^\dagger)/\sqrt{2}$$

$$X_c = (a + a^\dagger)/\sqrt{2}$$

$$a \rightarrow \alpha + a$$

Two-Qubit Gates



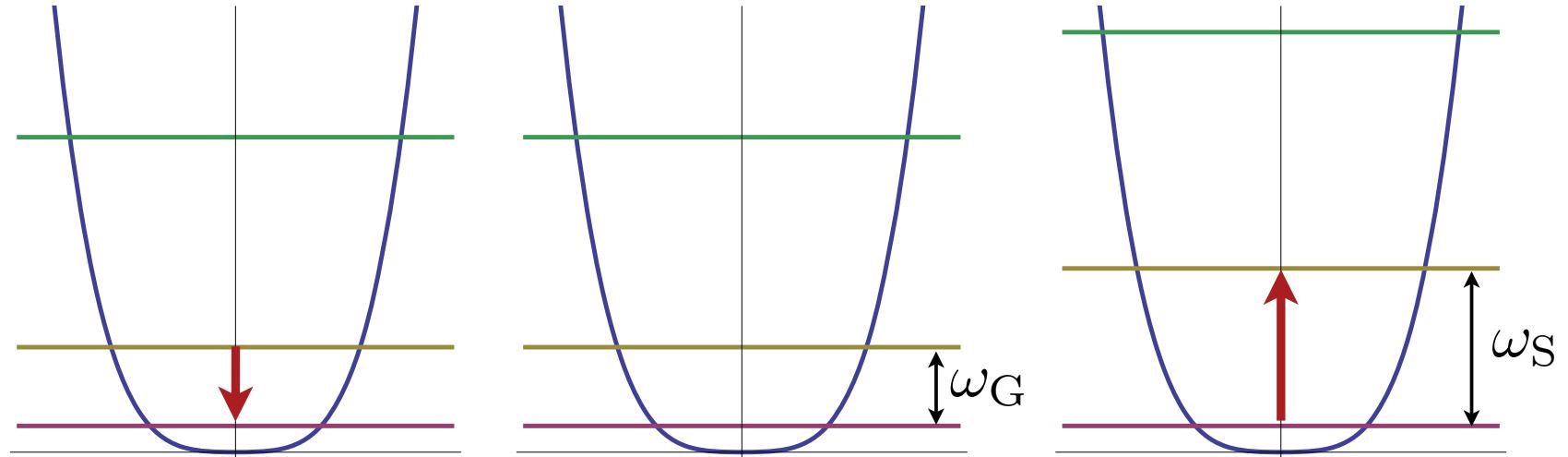
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Two-Qubit Gates

gate operation only on qubits 1 and 2:

adiabatic elimination of photon mode → $H_{\text{eff}} \approx H_{\text{G}}(t) + H_{\text{S}}$

$$H_{\text{G}}(\Delta) = -\frac{g^2 X_{\text{G}}^2}{\Delta} (\sigma_1^{01} \sigma_2^{10} + \text{H.c.}) - \sum_{i=1}^2 H_{\text{G},i} \quad \Delta \gg \omega_{\text{G}}, \omega_{\text{S}}$$

$$H_{\text{S}}(\Delta) = -\frac{g^2 X_{\text{S}}^2}{\Delta} \sum_{i \neq j > 2} (\sigma_i^{01} \sigma_j^{10} + \text{H.c.}) - \sum_{i > 2} H_{\text{S},i}$$

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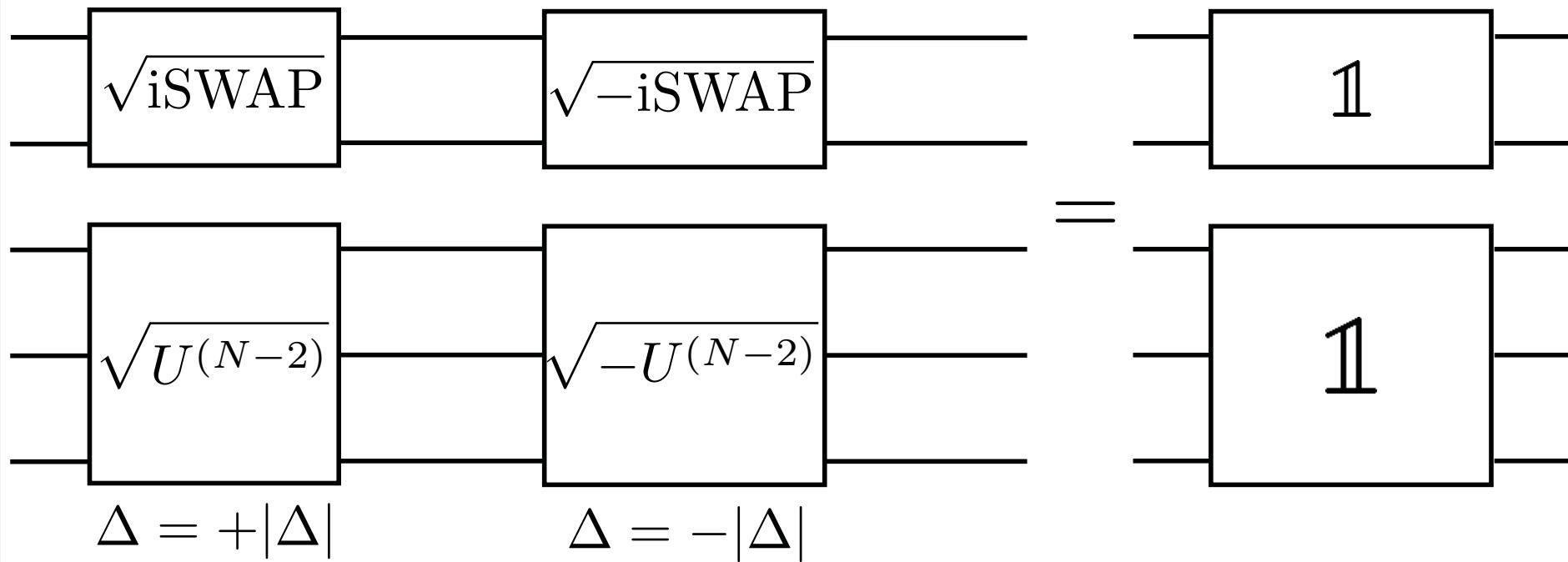
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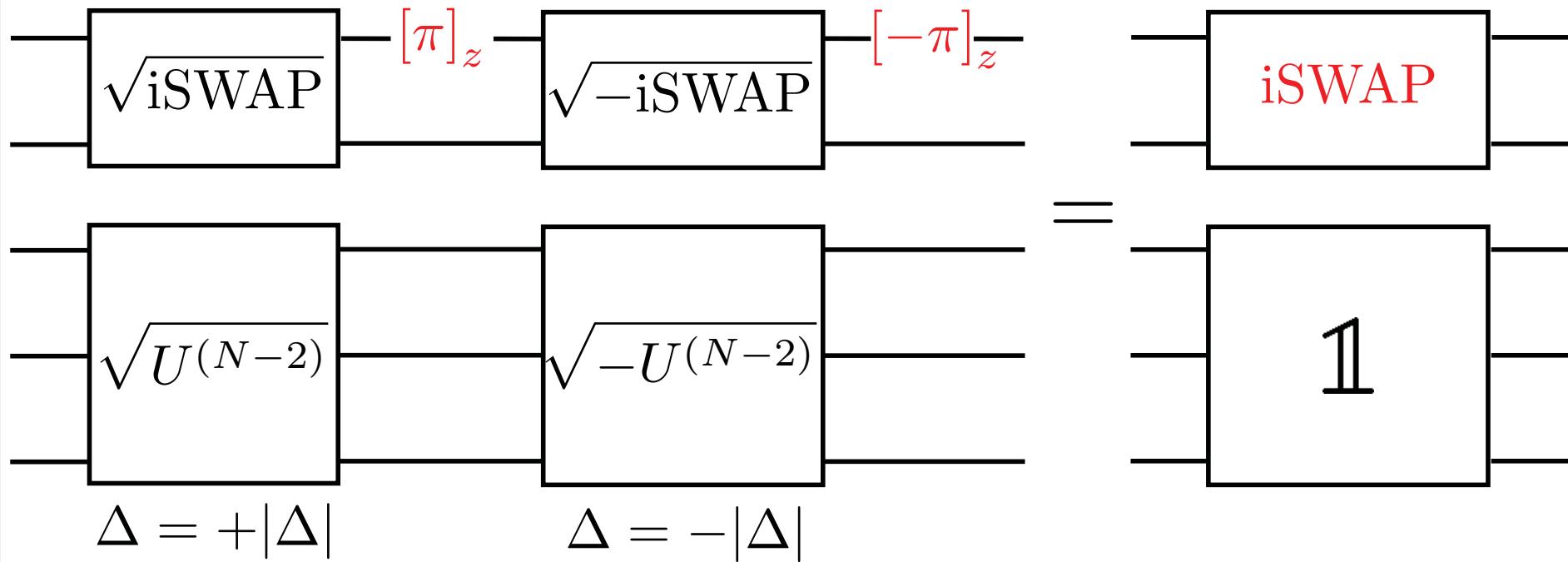
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Gate Errors

$$\begin{aligned}
 H &= \Delta a^\dagger a + g(a + a^\dagger) \sum_j X_j & X_j &= \frac{b_j + b_j^\dagger}{\sqrt{2}} \\
 &+ \sum_j \left[\omega_m b_j^\dagger b_j + 2\lambda X_j^4 + V_j^{xy}(t) X_j + V_j^z(t) X_j^2 \right] & a &\rightarrow \langle a \rangle + a
 \end{aligned}$$

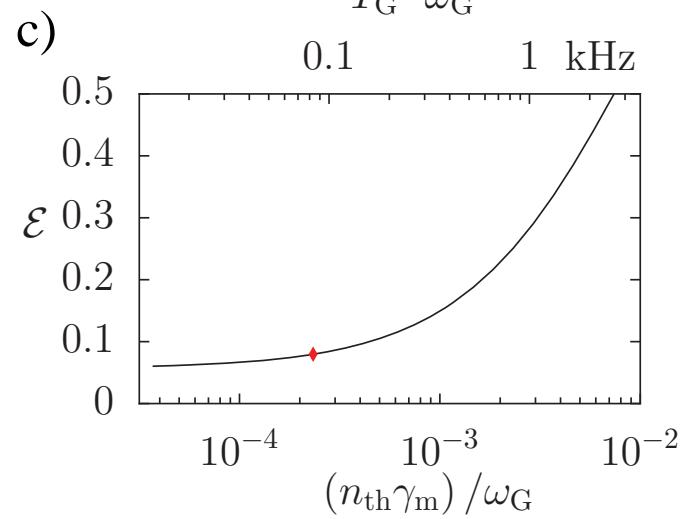
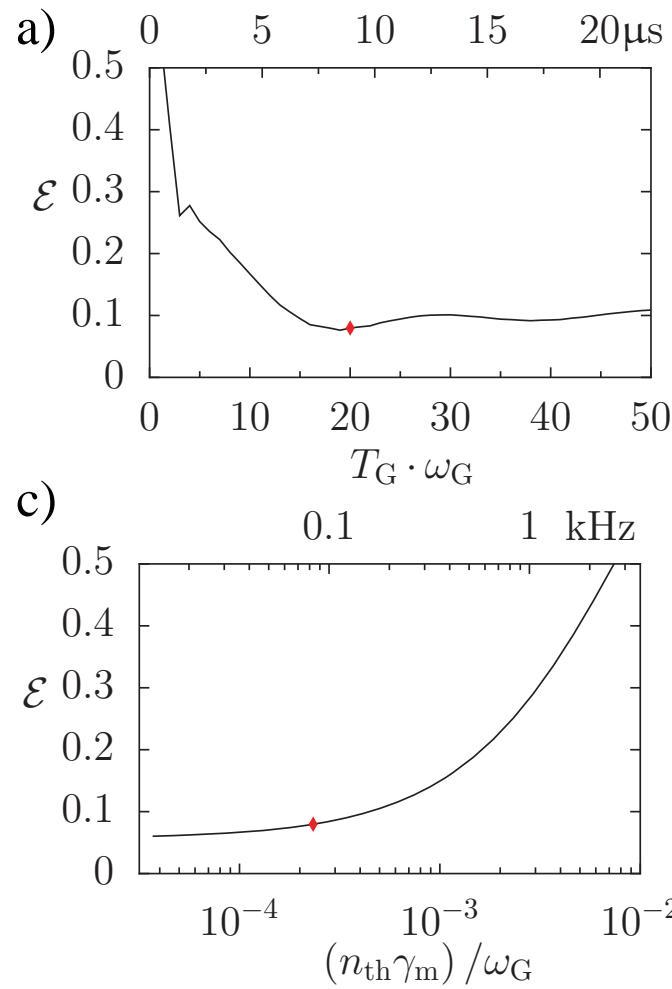
$$\dot{\varrho} = -i [H, \varrho] + \frac{\gamma_m}{2} \sum_j [\bar{n} \mathcal{D}_{\uparrow,j}(b_j) + (\bar{n} + 1) \mathcal{D}_{\downarrow,j}(b_j)] + \frac{\kappa}{2} \mathcal{D}_{\downarrow,c}(a)$$

gate error:

$$\text{initial states } |\phi\rangle = \frac{|j, k, \dots\rangle + |0, 0, \dots\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \quad j, k = 0, 1$$

$$f = \text{Tr} \sqrt{\sqrt{\varrho} \sigma \sqrt{\varrho}} \quad \mathcal{E} = 1 - \overline{f} \Big|_{\text{all } |\phi\rangle}$$

Gate Performance



L	=	$3 \mu\text{m}$
R	=	0.4 nm
$\frac{\omega_G}{2\pi}$	=	357 kHz
$\frac{\delta_{21} - \delta_{10}}{2\pi}$	=	109 kHz
$\frac{g}{2\pi}$	=	2.16 MHz
P_{in}	=	1.1 W
$\frac{\Delta}{2\pi}$	=	53.6 MHz
T_G	=	$8.9 \mu\text{s}$
T	=	20 mK
Q	=	$5 \cdot 10^6$
$\frac{\kappa}{2\pi}$	=	1.22 MHz
E_e	=	$76 \text{ V}/\mu\text{m}$

gate fidelity > 92%

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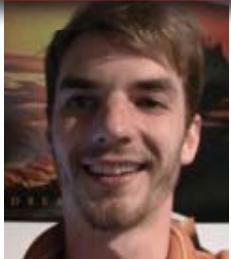
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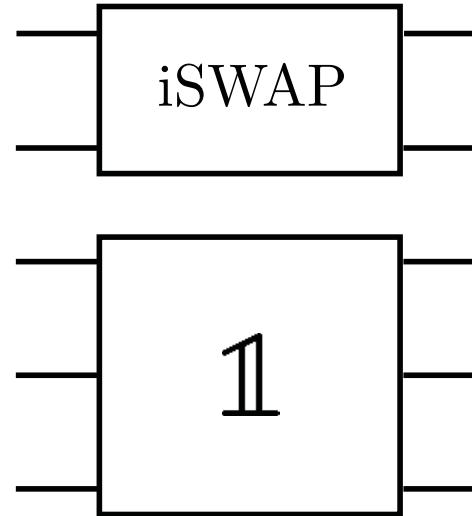
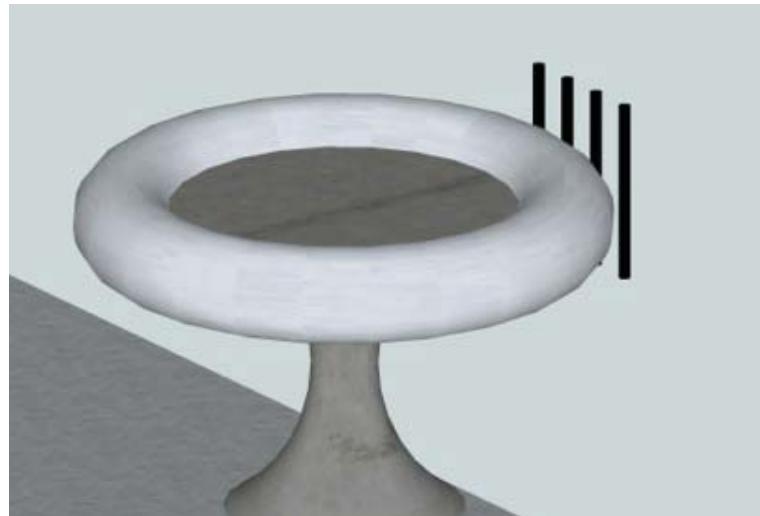
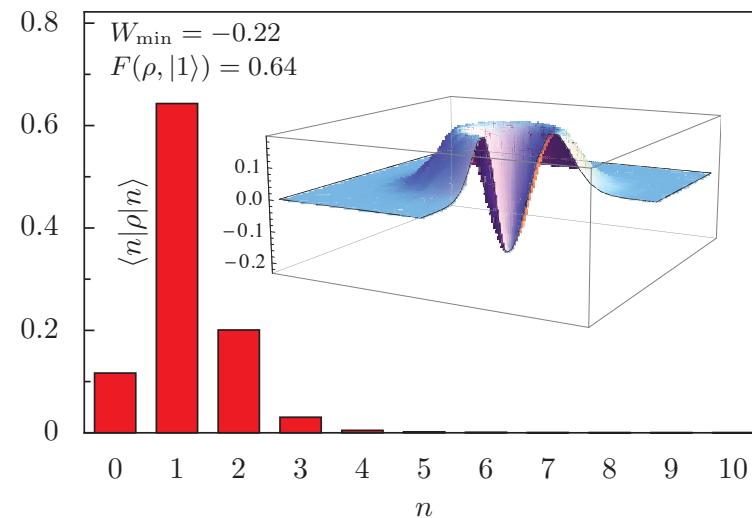
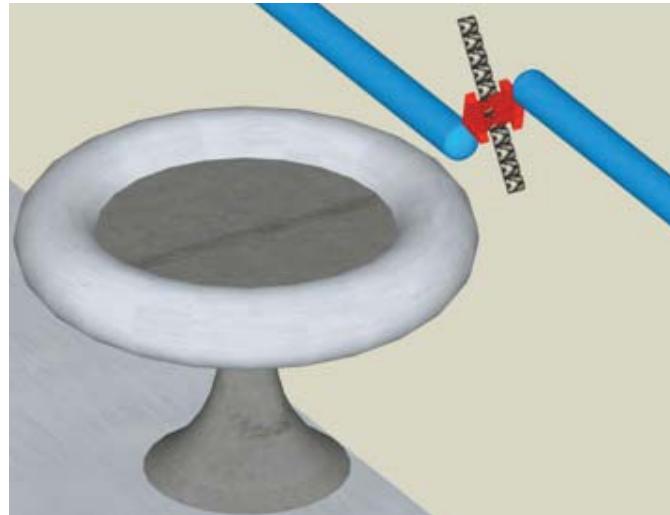
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