

半導体を用いた量子情報処理

Quantum information processing in semiconductors

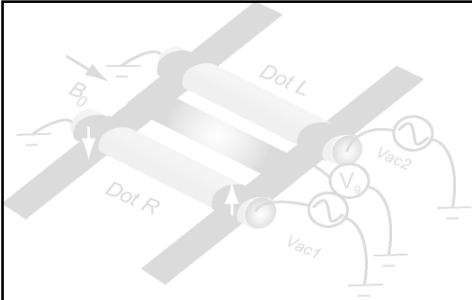
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Part I - August 14, afternoon I

Part II - August 15, morning I

Part III - August 15, morning II

自己紹介



1985年 東京大学教養学部相関理化学卒

Peierls transition、量子Monte Carlo

1985年 NTT基礎研究所 電子波干渉現象、結晶成長理論

1996年 共鳴トンネル、量子細線弾道伝導、少数電子厳密対角化

1998年 オランダ・デルフト工科大 客員研究員 CNT*伝導

2002年 量子ドット伝導、Pauliスピン閉塞、スピン緩和時間

2005年 量子鍵配送、量子もつれ光子

2006年 スピン量子ビット操作(ICORP)

2012年 筑波大学 研究室立ち上げ中

趣味 バドミントン、ギター

*CNT: Carbon nanotube



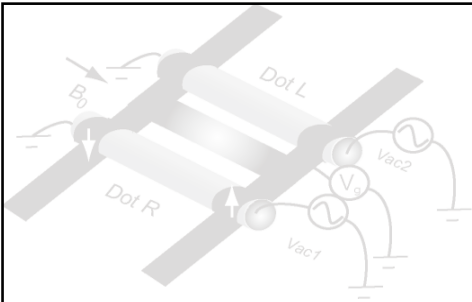
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Plan of this lecture

- Part I (Aug. 14, afternoon I)
 - Basics of semiconductor system +CNT, Graphene
 - Quantum dots, Double quantum dots: Hubbard model
 - Quantum point contacts: charge detection
 - Charge qubits
 - Charge detection
- Part II (Aug. 15, morning I)
 - Which path detector, continuous weak measurement
 - Spin detection - Spin to charge conversion
 - Exchange based (only) qubits
 - Single qubit manipulations, Hybrid qubit
 - Two-qubit interaction
- Part III (Aug. 15, morning II)
 - Single spin qubits
 - Single spin manipulations: magnetic, electric (μ -magnet, SOI, etc)
 - Two or more qubit manipulation
 - Hyperfine interaction and material issues
 - Coupling remote qubits (Resonator coupling, Flying qubits)
 - Prospective

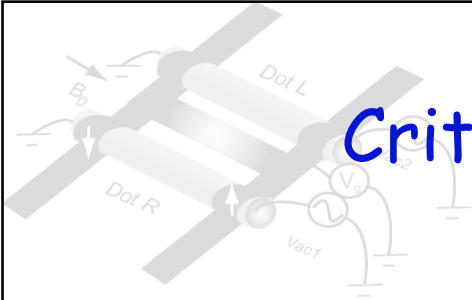


Part I

Semiconductor

Quantum Dots

Quantum Point Contacts



Criteria of realizing quantum computers

D. P. DiVincenzo Fortschr. Phys. (2000).

*Electrically
controlled
spin qubits*

1. *A scalable physical system with well characterized qubits*
(スケーラビリティ)
2. *The ability to initialize the state of the qubits to a simple fiducial state*
(初期化)
3. *Long relevant decoherence times, much longer than the gate operation time*
(良いコヒーレンス)
4. *A “universal” set of quantum gates* (量子演算)
5. *A qubit-specific measurement capability* (読み出し)



Main subject of this talk

- How can we realize coherent system in semiconductor ?
- What is the current status of the research ?
(How good, how many ...)
- To which direction can we go ?
 - Can we see straightforward milestones?
 - Or do we need another big breakthrough?



One sheet summary of semiconductor

We can enjoy the variety of material features and their combinations.

Band gap E_{gap} - Important for optical interface

Effective mass m^* - scales 'Quantum confinement', zero - metallic CNT/Graphene

Multi-valley (Silicon, CNT, Graphene) – additional quantum index ?

Lande g-factor g^* - magnetic coupling of spin, electrically tunable

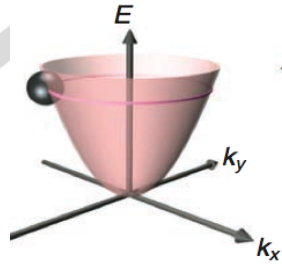
Spin-orbit interaction (SOI) α, β

– enabling electric control of spin / topological states, Majorana

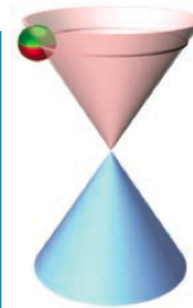
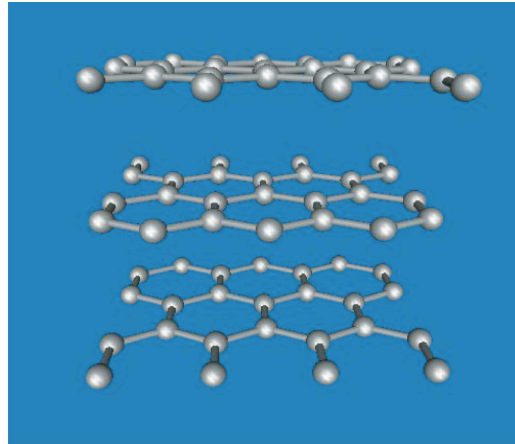
Hyperfine coupling A – enemy of spin coherence, isotope engineering

Deformation/Piezoelectric Phonon Ξ, h_{14} – another source of decoherence

Carbon nanotube and Graphene

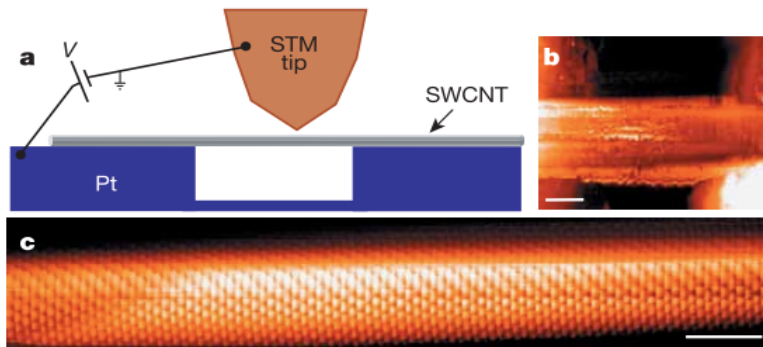


$$\hat{H} = \hat{p}^2 / 2m^*$$

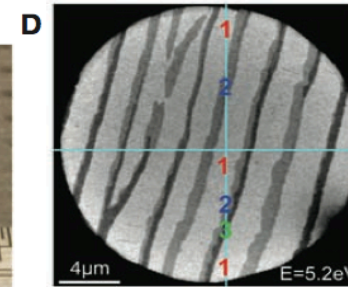
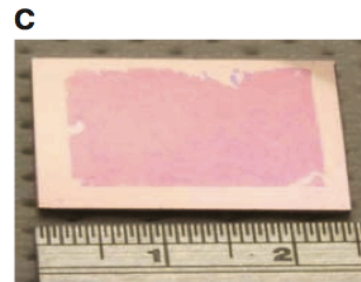
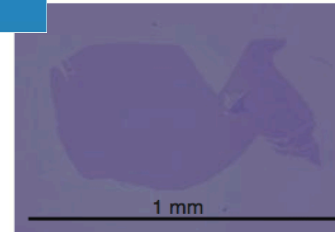


$$\hat{H} = v_F \vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{p}$$

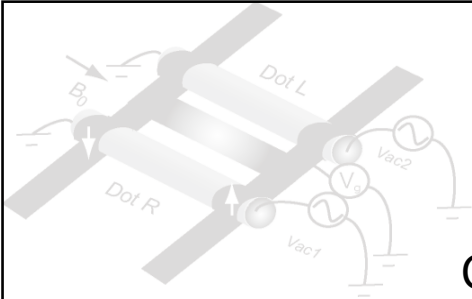
*Massless Dirac Fermion
K and K' valleys*



B. J. LeRoy, et al., Nature 432, 371 (2004).

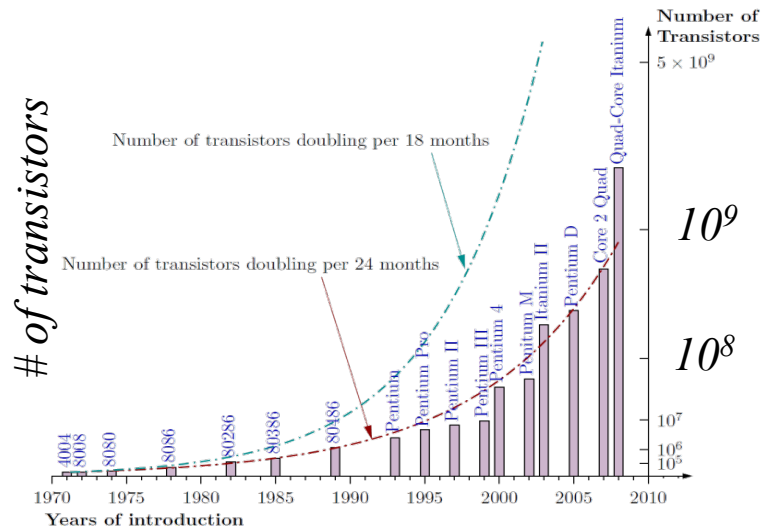


A. K. Geim, et al., Science 324, 1530 (2009).

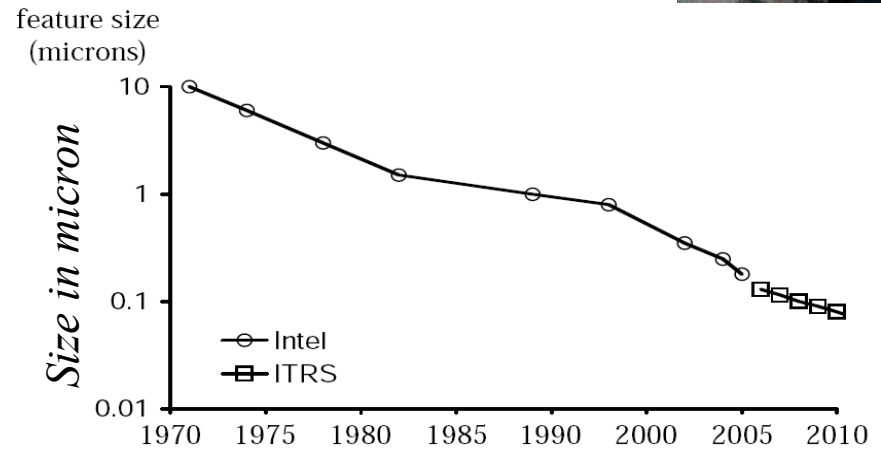


Nano-technology

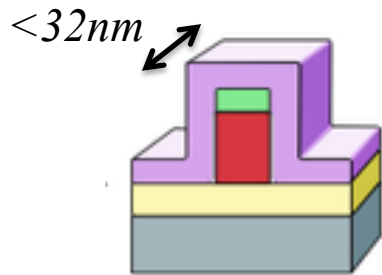
Gordon E. Moore (Chairman Emeritus of Intel)
Moore's law



Minimum Feature Size

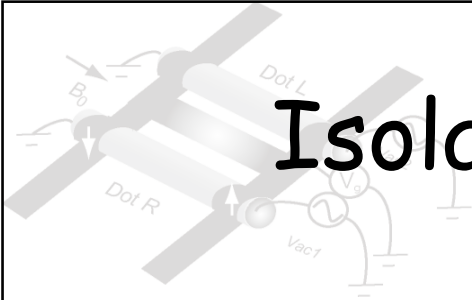


The decreasing minimum feature size of transistor components is shown for both Intel products and data reported by the International Technology Roadmap for Semiconductors (ITRS).



Fin-FET

Potentially, the developed nano-technology for the semiconductor devices may help also to realize scalable quantum system.



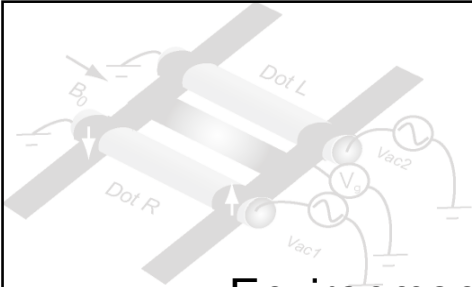
Isolation of single charge and spin

In contrast to naturally well-isolated systems like cold-atoms, ions, and photons, forming quantum two-level systems (qubits) in condensed matter is not a easy task.

Controlling single charge one-by-one had been achieved in metallic small grains, but these systems cannot be a candidate of qubits, except for the superconducting states, where finite gap is formed and macroscopic quantum coherence is maintained.

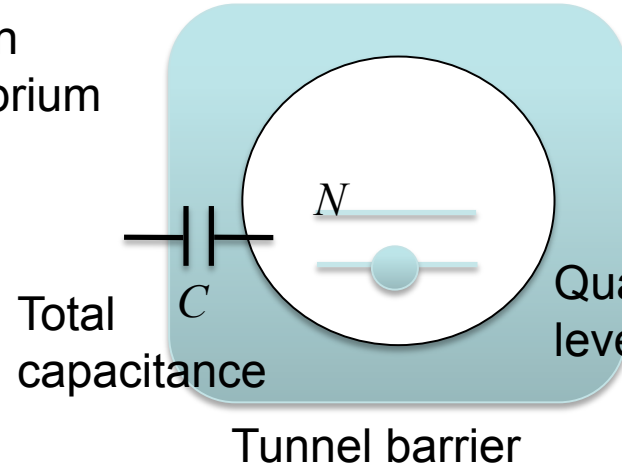
Therefore, isolation of single electron (artificial atom) is an important milestone to realize well-defined qubits in condensed matter.

Quantum dots (QDs)



Environment in thermal equilibrium

$$k_B T \quad \mu$$



Total energy of N electrons

$$E(N) \sim \sum_{i=1}^N \varepsilon_i + N C_2 U$$

Constant interaction model:

$$U \equiv \frac{e^2}{2C}$$

Stability condition of N electrons in the QD:

No addition $\mu + \frac{1}{2} k_B T \ll E(N+1) - E(N) \sim UN + \varepsilon_{N+1}$

No escape $\mu - \frac{1}{2} k_B T \gg E(N) - E(N-1) \sim U(N-1) + \varepsilon_N$



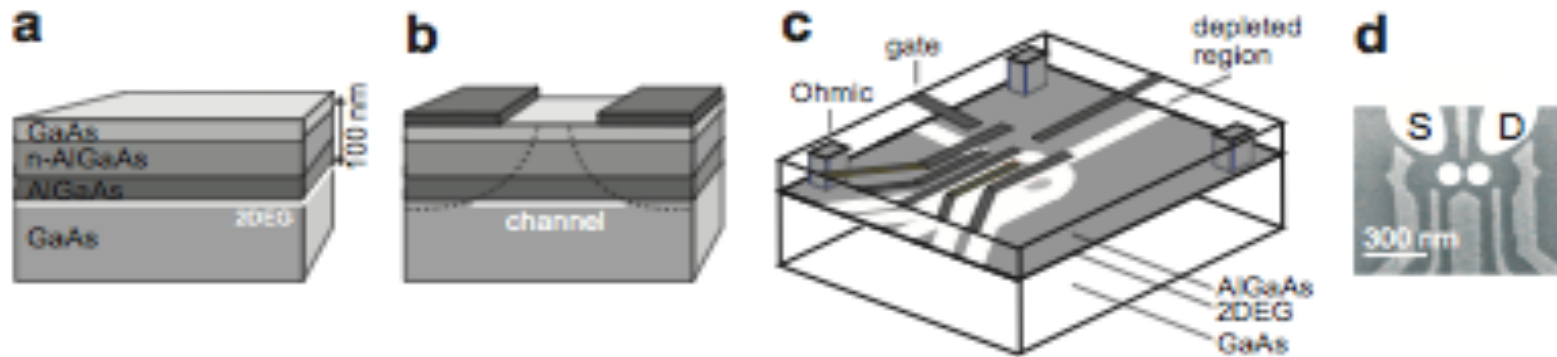
$$U + \varepsilon_{N+1} - \varepsilon_N \gg k_B T$$

Addition energy

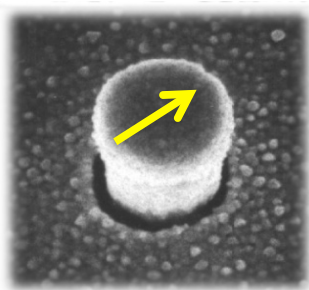
Coulomb blockade for very low temperatures, small capacitance, large quantization energy

Fabrication of QDs

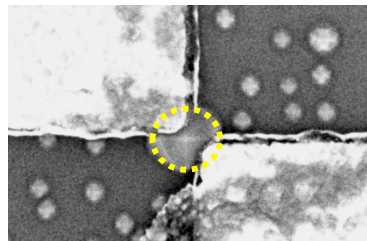
Typical top-down approach, starting from two-dimensional (2D) electron gas formed at the hetero-interface, and depleting selective areas by the surface metallic gates negatively biased.



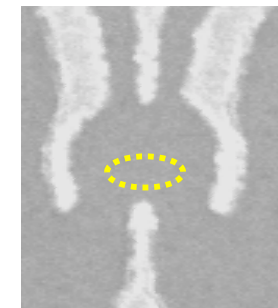
Advent of one-electron single QDs



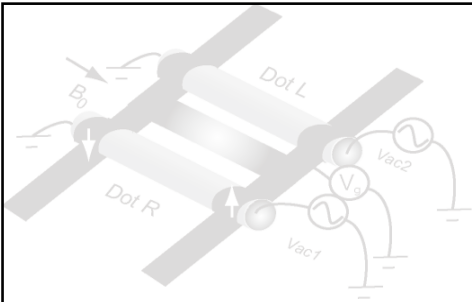
Tarucha et al. PRL 96



Jung et al. APL05

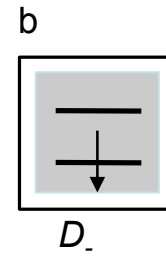
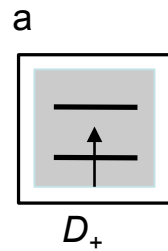


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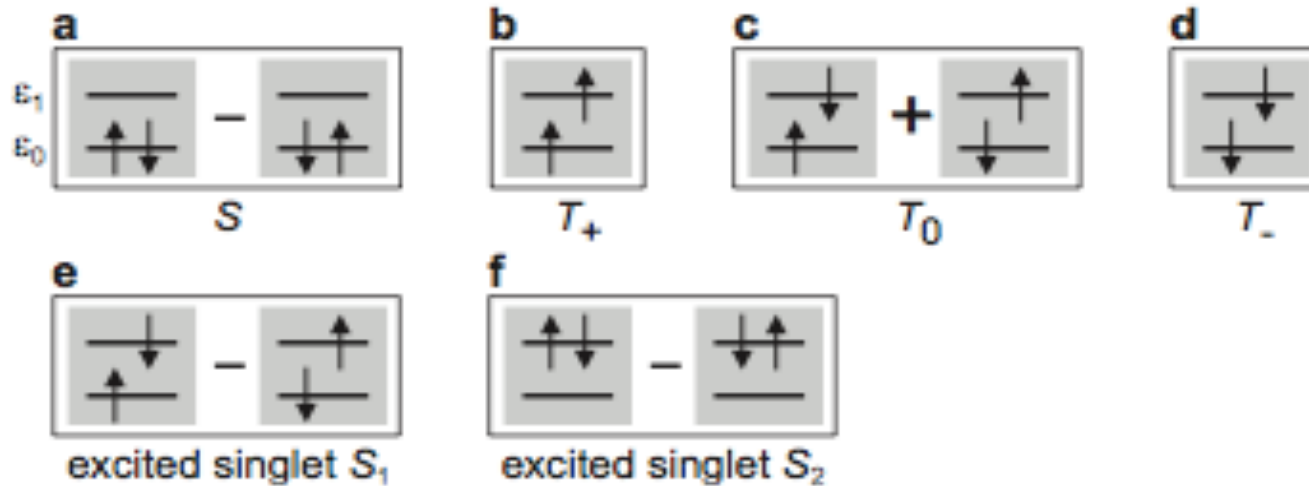


Spins in a QD

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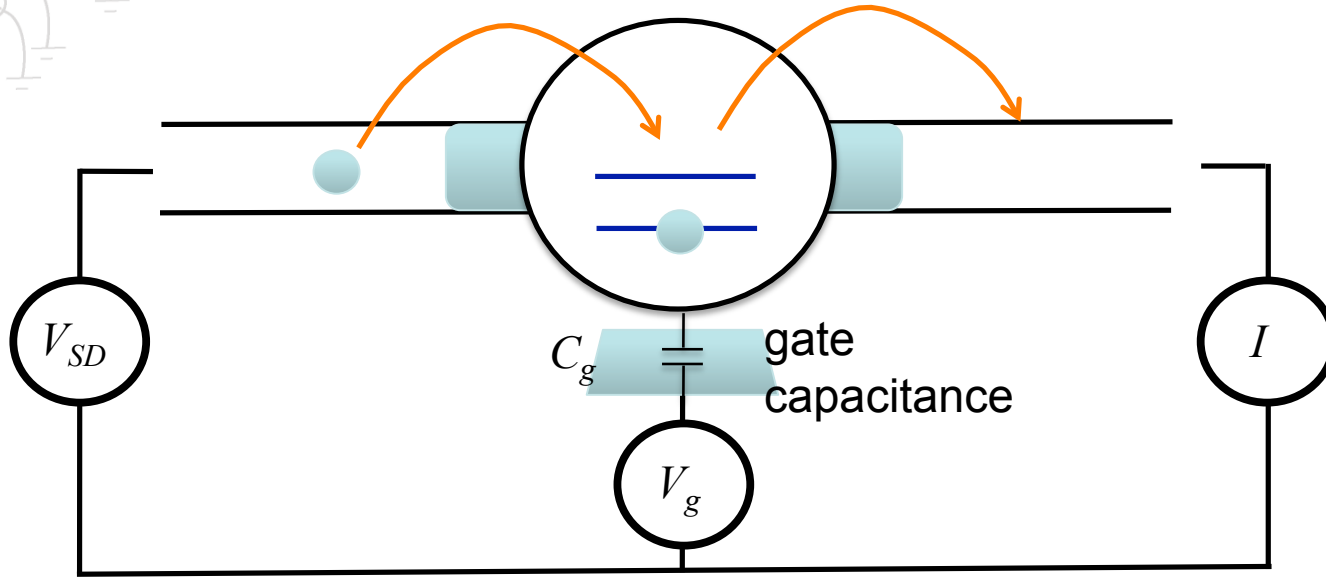
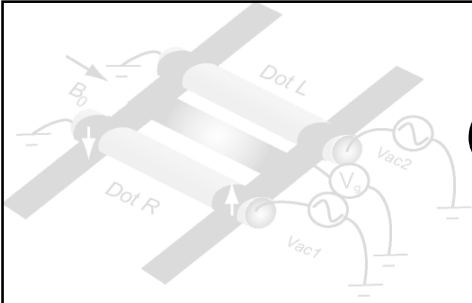


$N=2$



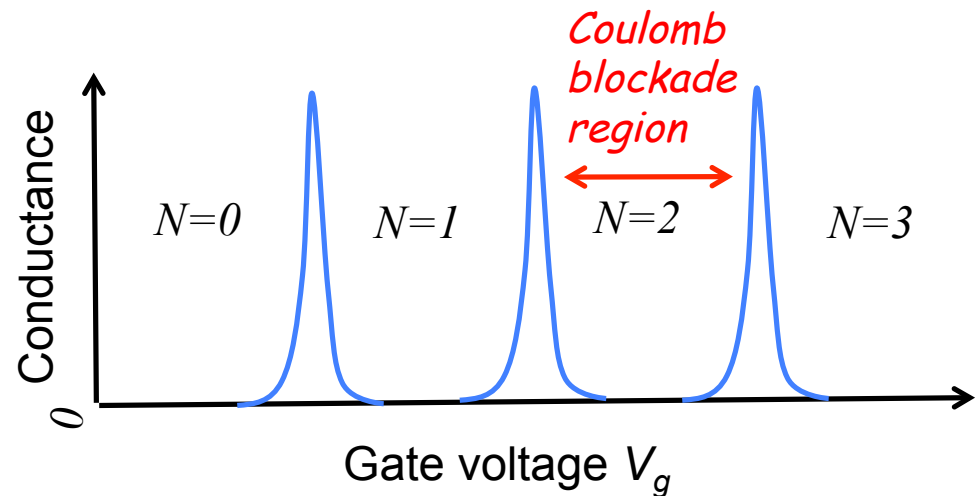
Simple... But, how can we probe these ?

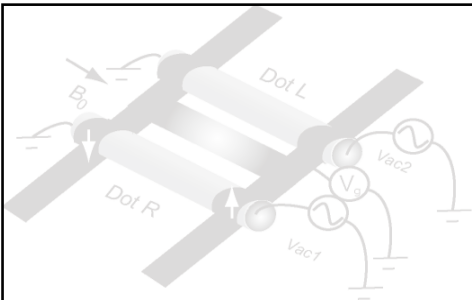
QDs coupled to the leads



Conductance $G=I/V_{SD}$ is peaked when $(|V_{SD}| \ll k_B T)$

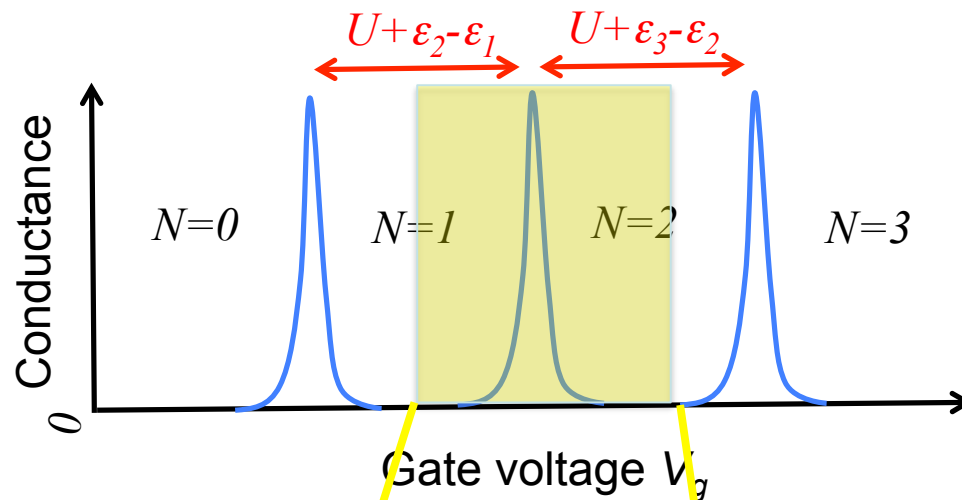
$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= E(N) - E(N-1) \\ &\sim U(N-1) + \epsilon_N - \frac{C_g}{C} eV_g \end{aligned}$$



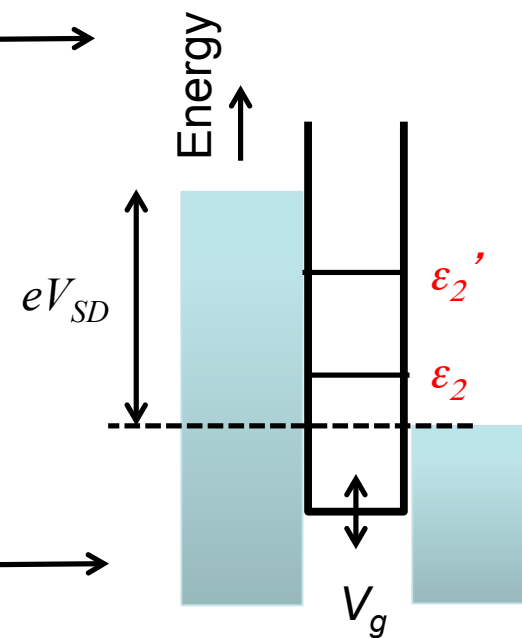
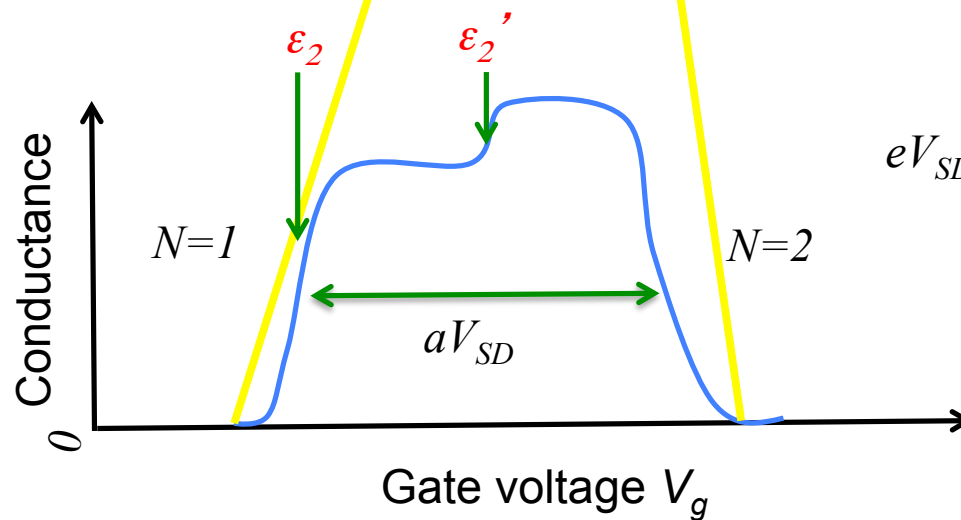


Tunneling spectroscopy

$$|V_{SD}| \ll k_B T$$

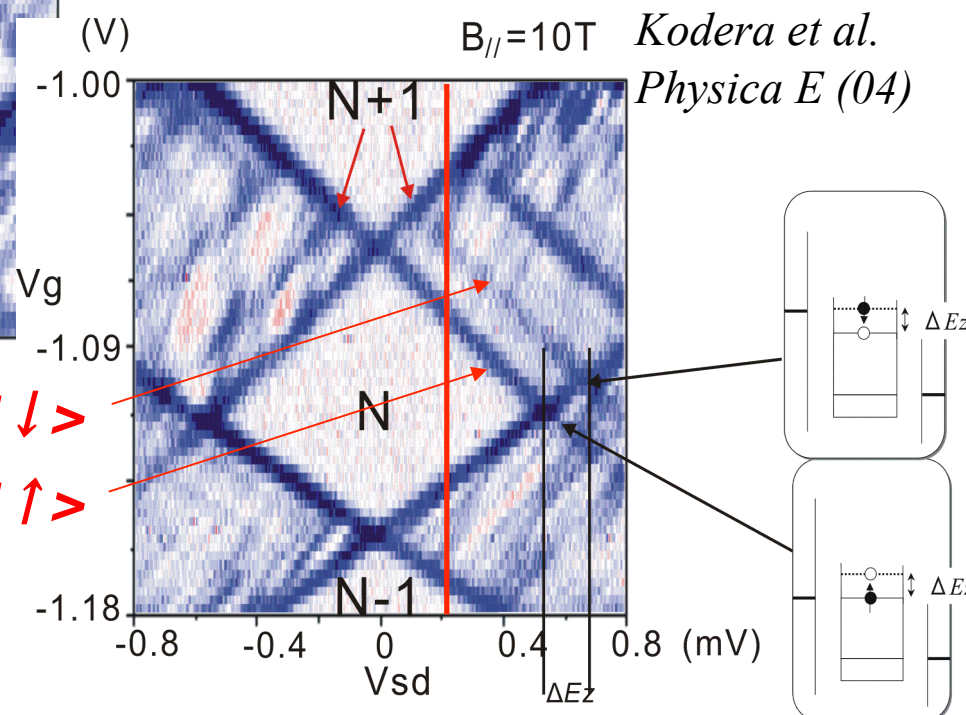
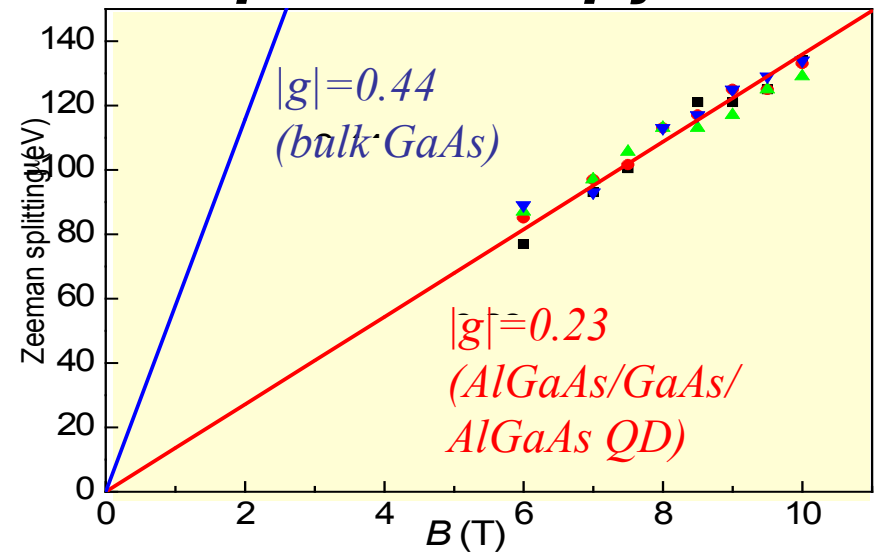
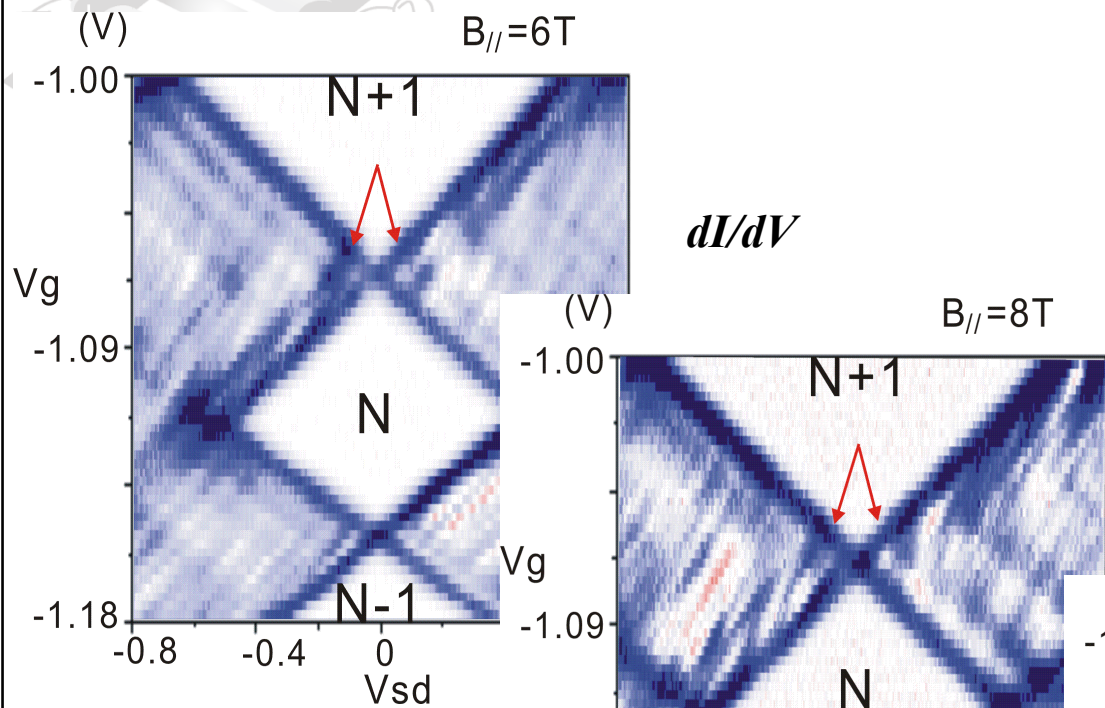


$$|V_{SD}| \gg k_B T$$

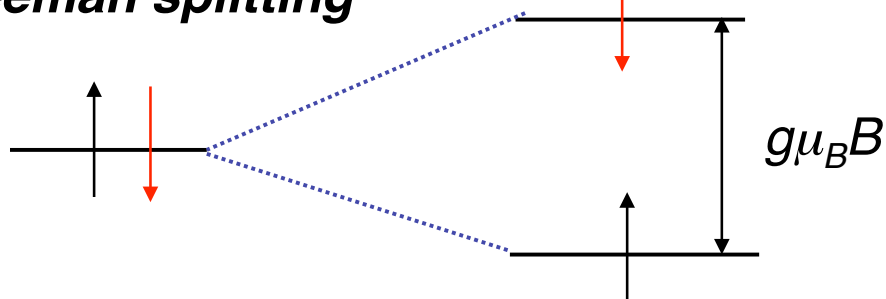


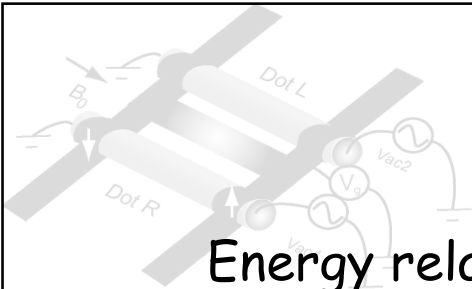
* a : lever-arm factor

g-factor in Quantum Dot: Excitation spectroscopy



Zeeman splitting

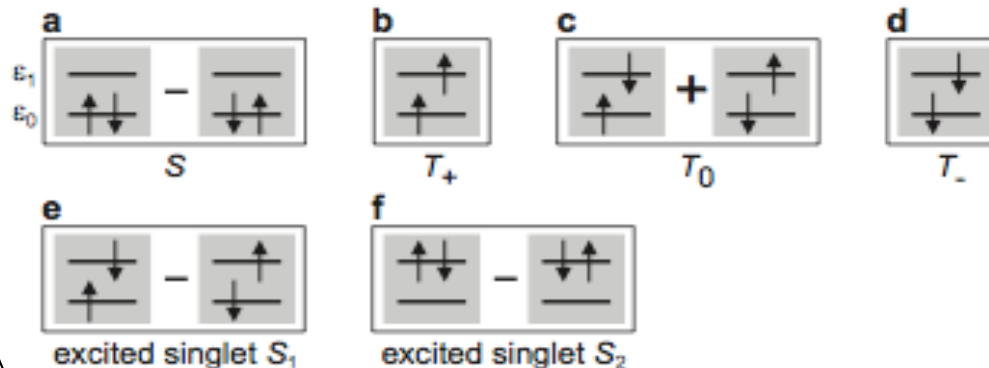
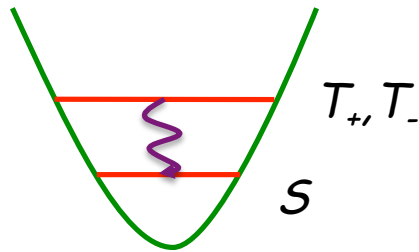




Relaxation time (T_1)

Energy relaxation time without changing spin state is very fast ~ 1 ps (typical), by electron-phonon scatterings.

Spin flip relaxation is forbidden in the lowest order, but is possible by spin-orbit interaction, hyperfine coupling etc.

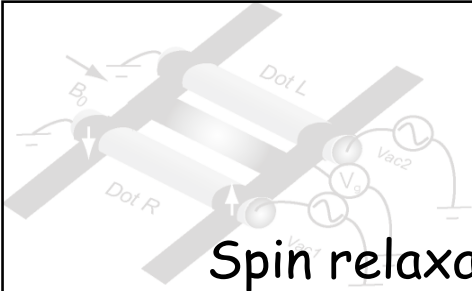


$$|T'_\pm\rangle = |T_\pm\rangle + \frac{\Delta_{SOI}}{\delta E_{ST}} |S\rangle,$$

$$|S'\rangle = |S\rangle - \frac{\Delta_{SOI}}{\delta E_{ST}} |T_\pm\rangle$$

Fermi's golden rule $\Lambda_q^x \sim \langle S' | \mathcal{H}_{e-p} | T'_\pm \rangle$

$$\frac{1}{T_1} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \sum_q |\Lambda_q^x|^2 \delta(\epsilon_z - \hbar\omega_q) \coth \frac{\beta\epsilon_z}{2}$$

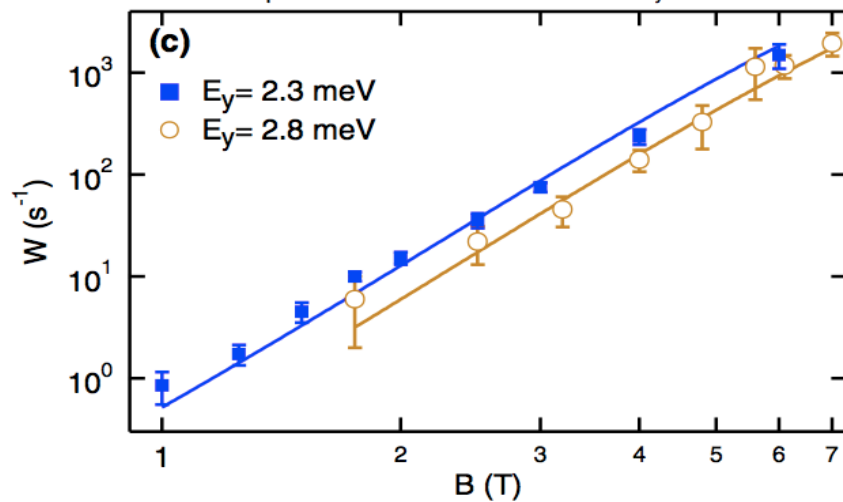


Determining spin T_1

Spin relaxation time is evaluated by "pump-and-probe" method

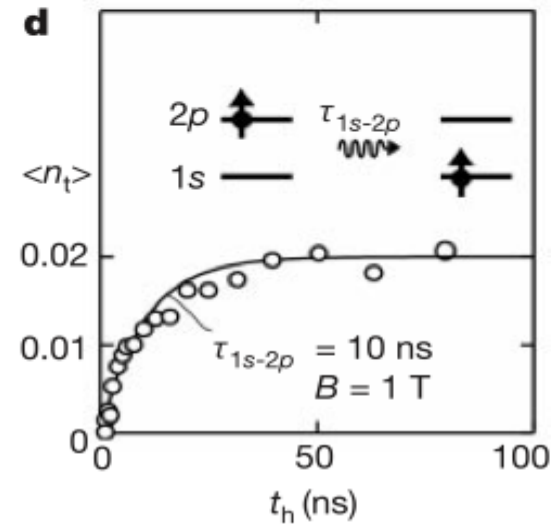
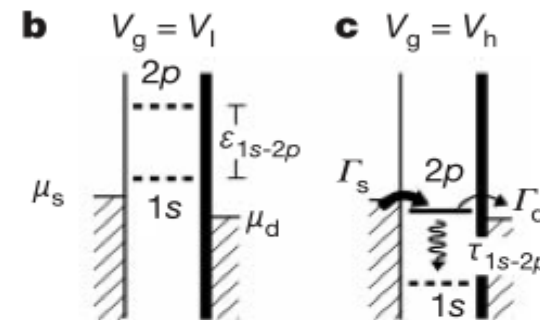
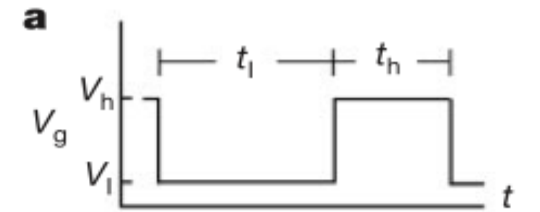
$$T_1 > 200\mu s$$

T. Fujisawa et al., Nature 419, 278 (2002).

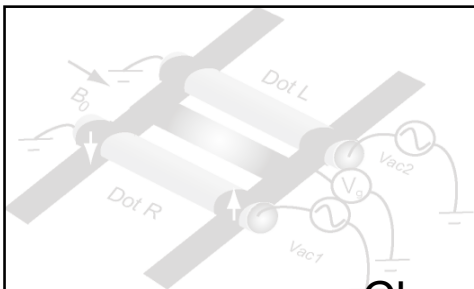


$$T_1 \sim 1s$$

S. Amasha, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 100, 046803 (2008).



Coupled quantum dots

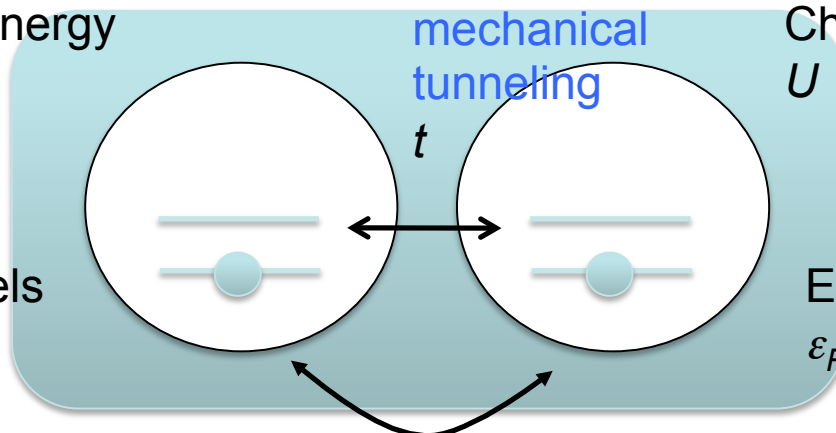


Charging energy
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mechanical
tunneling
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Charging energy
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Energy levels
 ε_{Li}



Energy levels
 ε_{Ri}

V Inter-dot Coulomb
interaction

Minimum realization of Hubbard model:

$$\mathcal{H}_{DQD} = \sum_{\mu=L,R} \sum_{\sigma} \varepsilon_{\mu} \hat{a}_{\mu,\sigma}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{\mu,\sigma} - t(\hat{a}_{L,\sigma}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{R,\sigma} + \text{H.c.})$$

$$\hat{n}_{\mu,\sigma} \equiv \hat{a}_{\mu,\sigma}^{\dagger} \hat{n}_{\mu,\sigma}$$

$$\hat{n}_{\mu} \equiv \sum_{\sigma} \hat{n}_{\mu,\sigma}$$

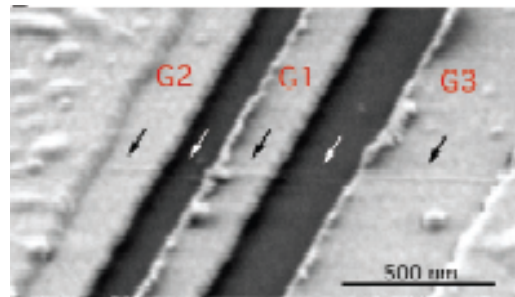
$$+U \sum_{\mu=L,R} \hat{n}_{\mu,\uparrow} \hat{n}_{\mu,\downarrow} + V \hat{n}_L \hat{n}_R$$

Double QDs holding few electrons

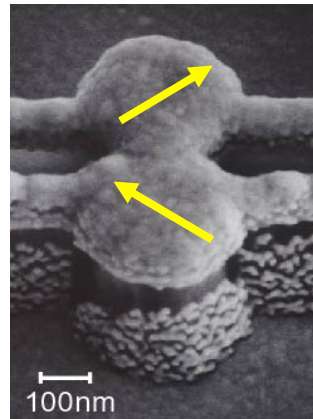
Fabrication of two QDs is straightforward extension in top-down approach, but realizing tunable coupling between the two QDs and going into few electron regime is not a simple task.

Advent of two-electron double QDs

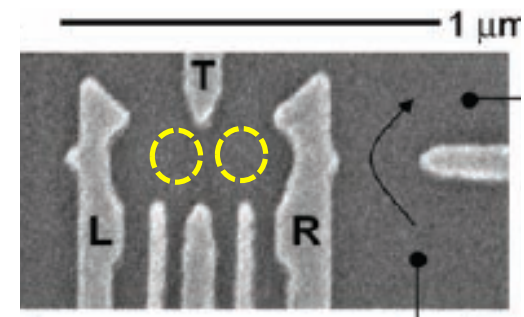
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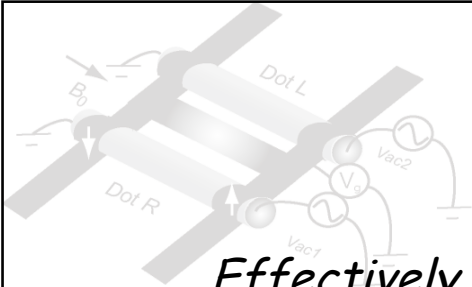
Mason et al. Science 04



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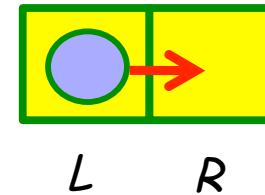
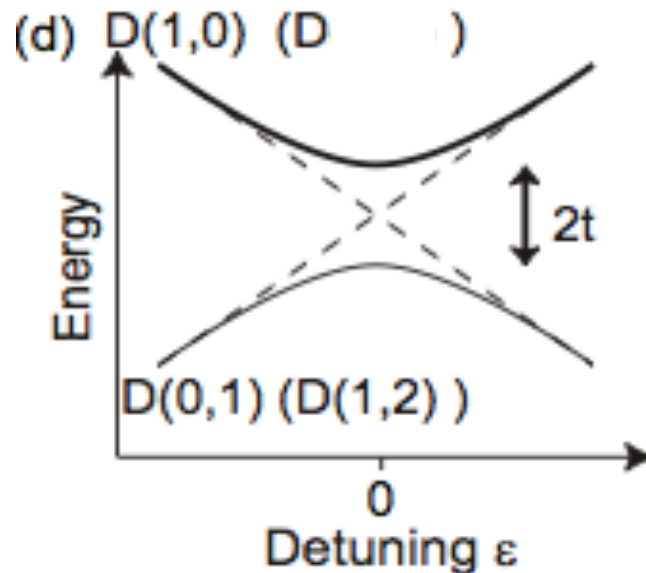
Petta et al. Science 04



Charge qubits

Effectively one electron in coupled QDs is simple two level system: charge qubit.

$$\mathcal{H}_{DQD} = \sum_{\mu=L,R} \varepsilon_{\mu} \hat{a}_{\mu}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{\mu} - t(\hat{a}_{L}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{R} + \text{H.c.})$$

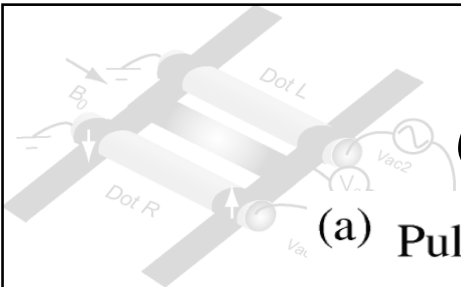


Detuning energy

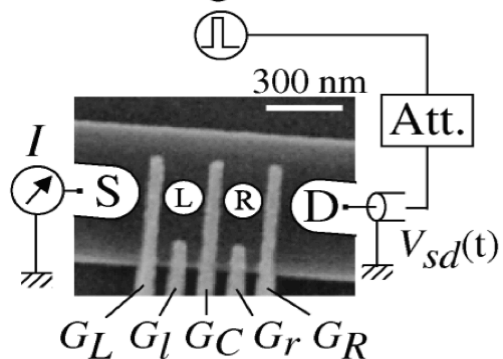
$$\varepsilon \equiv \varepsilon_L - \varepsilon_R$$

(n_L, n_R) represents n_L and n_R electrons in the left and right QDs, resp.

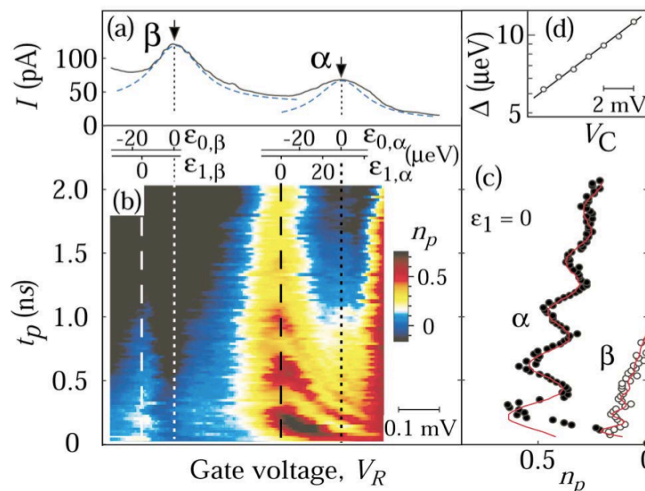
Charge qubit experiments



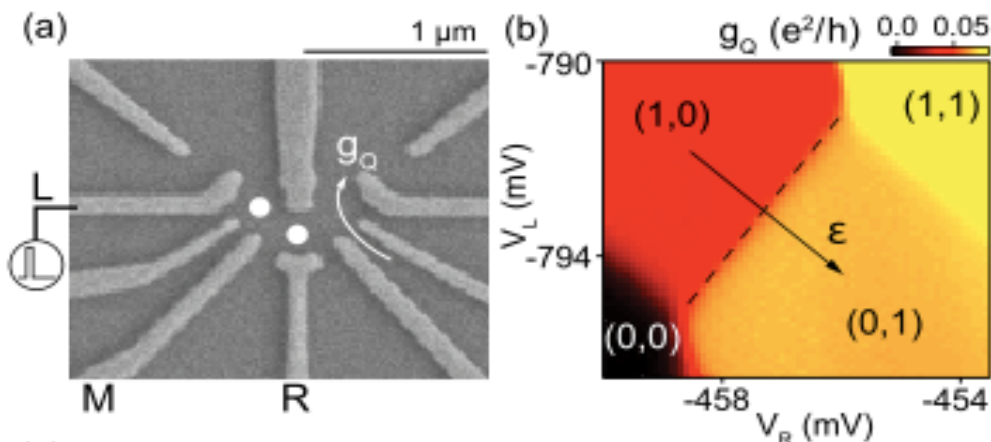
(a) Pulse generator



T. Hyashi, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 91, 226804 (2002).

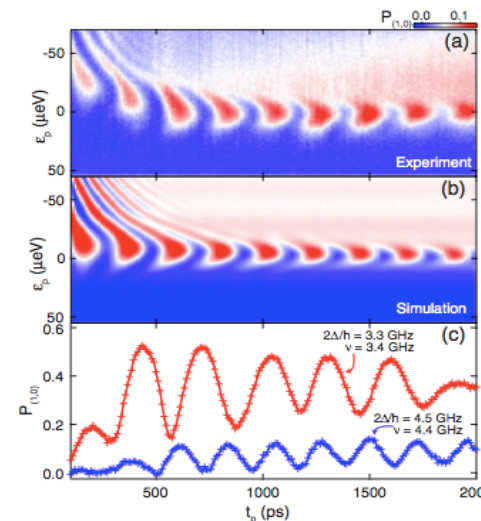


$T_{Rabi}^* \sim 1 \text{ ns}$
Origin:
Cotunneling
Phonon



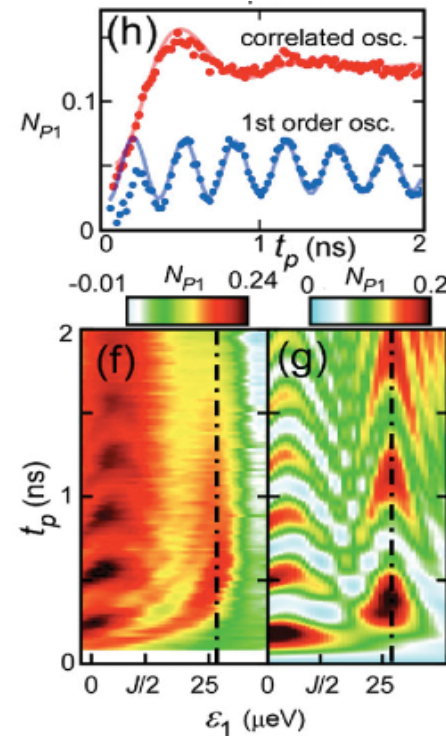
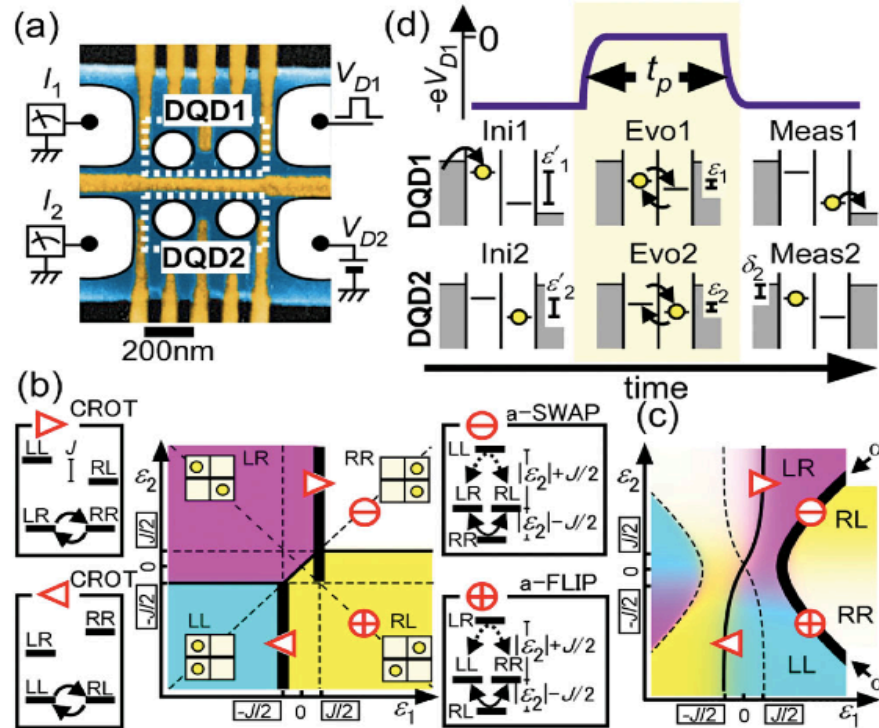
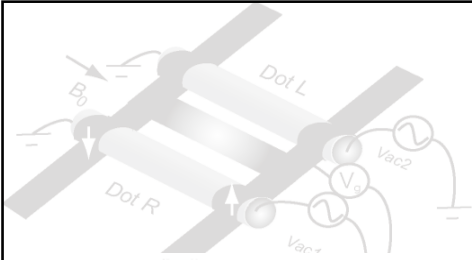
K. D. Petersson, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 105, 246804 (2010).

Y. Dovzhenko, et al., Phys. Rev. B 84, 161302 (2011).

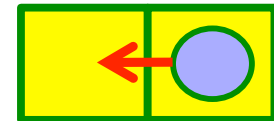
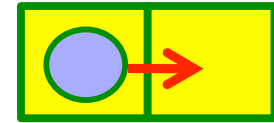


Ramsey $T_2^* \sim 60 \text{ ps}$

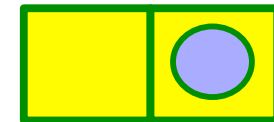
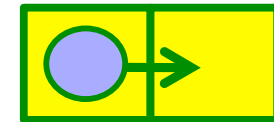
Coupled charge qubits



Mutual coherent osc.

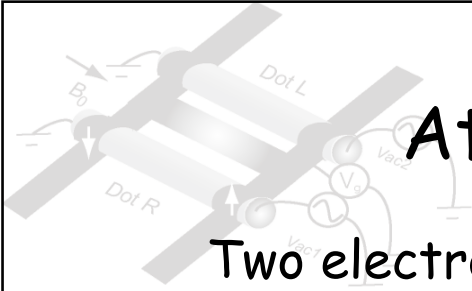


Conditional coherent osc.



$$\mathcal{H}_{2DQD} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i (\epsilon_i \sigma_z^{(i)} - t_i \sigma_x^{(i)}) + \frac{J}{4} \sigma_z^{(1)} \otimes \sigma_z^{(2)}$$

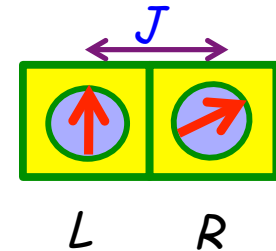
G. Shinkai, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 103, 056802 (2009).



Atomic limit of two electron in DQD

Two electron problem in double dot system:
 Heisenberg Hamiltonian that enable swap operations

$$\mathcal{H}_S = JS_{\mathbf{R}} \cdot \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{L}} + g\mu_B \mathbf{B}_0 (\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{R}} + \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{L}})$$



This is from an ideal situation of two identical dots in the atomic limit ($t \ll U$). Here, we generalize the argument to finite detuning energy ε .

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_{DQD} = & \frac{\varepsilon}{2} (\hat{n}_L - \hat{n}_R) - t (\hat{a}_{L,\sigma}^\dagger \hat{a}_{R,\sigma} + \text{H.c.}) \\ & + U \sum_{\mu=L,R} \hat{n}_{\mu,\uparrow} \hat{n}_{\mu,\downarrow} + V \hat{n}_L \hat{n}_R \end{aligned}$$



Two electron basis functions

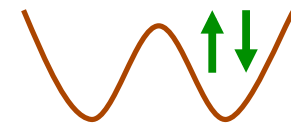
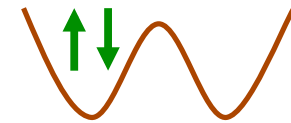
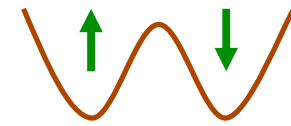
There are six two electron basis functions.

$$|S(1, 1)\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (a_{L\uparrow}^\dagger a_{R\downarrow}^\dagger - a_{L\downarrow}^\dagger a_{R\uparrow}^\dagger |0\rangle),$$

$$|S(2, 0)\rangle = a_{L\uparrow}^\dagger a_{L\downarrow}^\dagger |0\rangle,$$

$$|S(0, 2)\rangle = a_{R\uparrow}^\dagger a_{R\downarrow}^\dagger |0\rangle$$

Spin singlets

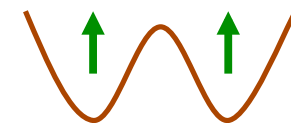


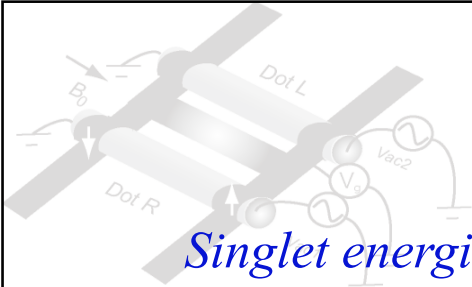
$$|T^1\rangle = a_{L\uparrow}^\dagger a_{R\uparrow}^\dagger |0\rangle,$$

$$|T^0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (a_{L\uparrow}^\dagger a_{R\downarrow}^\dagger + a_{L\downarrow}^\dagger a_{R\uparrow}^\dagger |0\rangle),$$

$$|T^{-1}\rangle = a_{L\downarrow}^\dagger a_{R\downarrow}^\dagger |0\rangle$$

Spin triplets





Eigen energies

Singlet energies are the eigenvalues of the 3x3 matrix in the basis of $(|S(1,1)\rangle, |S(2,0)\rangle, |S(0,2)\rangle)$.

$$\mathcal{H}_S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{2}t & \sqrt{2}t \\ \sqrt{2}t & U - V + \varepsilon & 0 \\ \sqrt{2}t & 0 & U - V - \varepsilon \end{pmatrix}$$

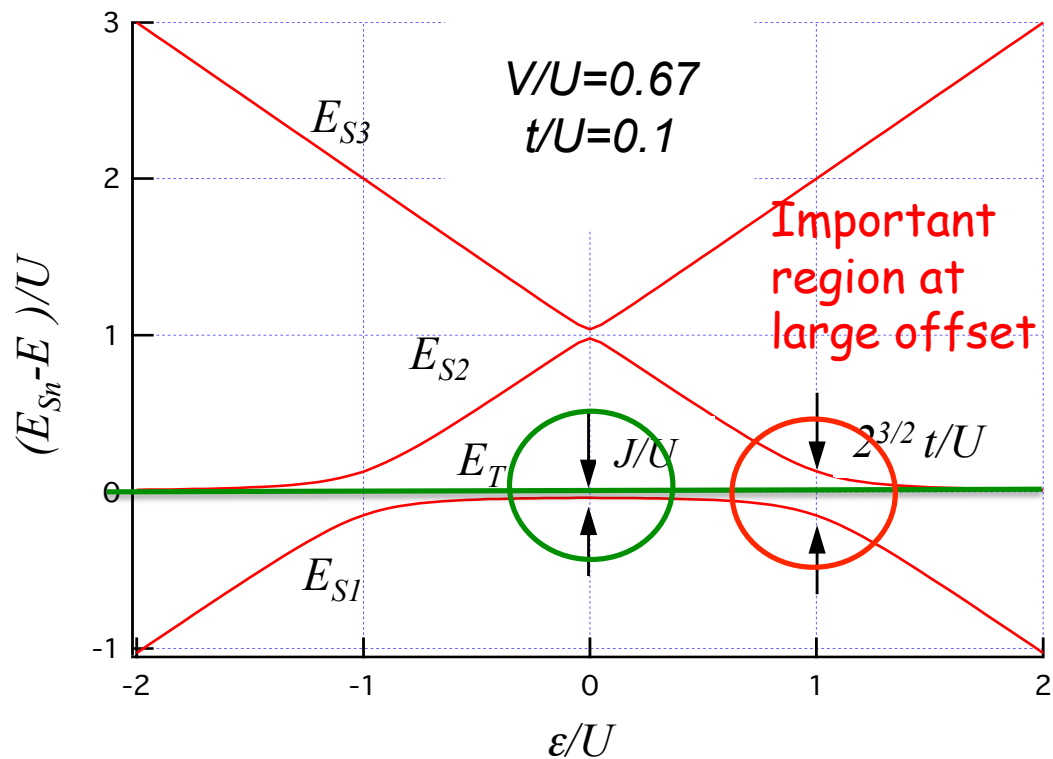
Triplet energies are degenerate up to the Zeeman energy

$$E_T = V$$

Exchange energy is defined by the difference of energy of spin triplet to spin singlet ground states

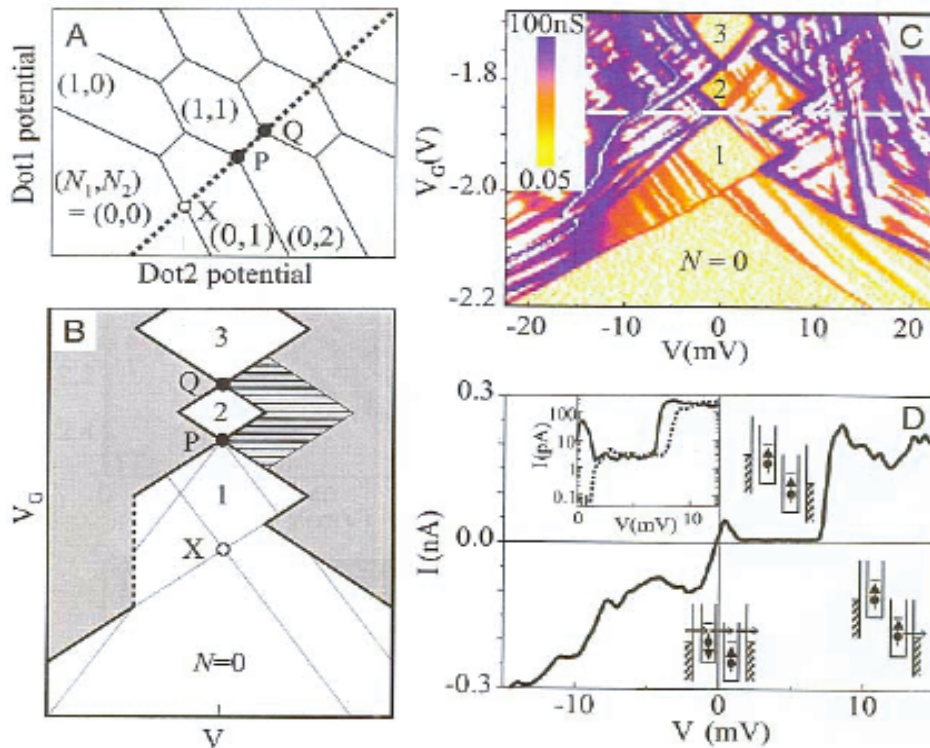
$$J \sim \frac{4t^2}{U}$$

for $|\varepsilon| \ll U - V$



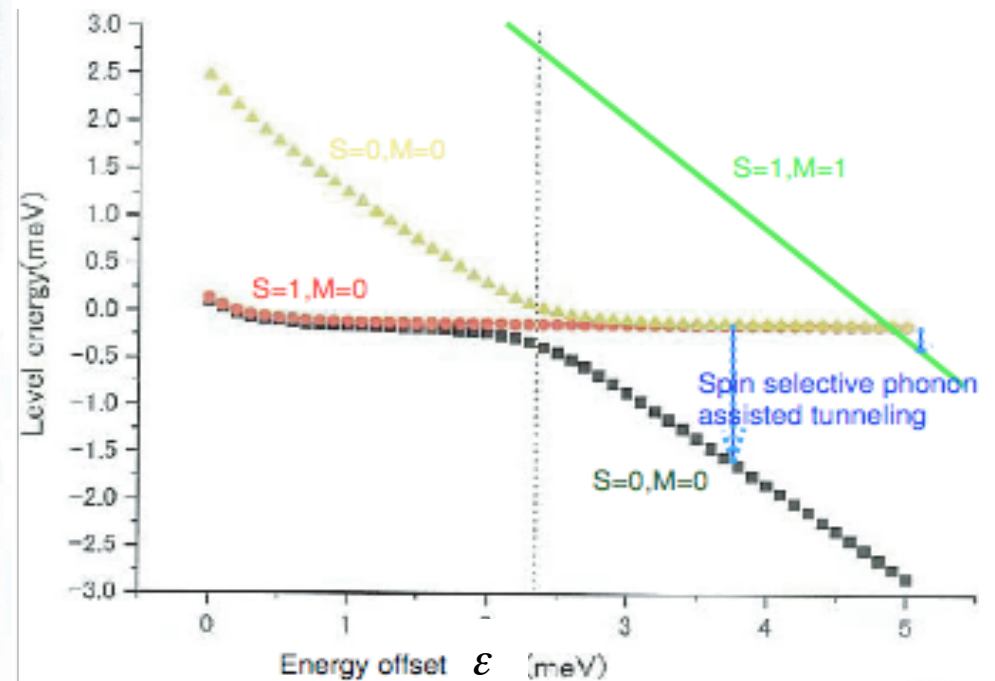
Region of large offset: Pauli blockade

The very slow relaxation process from spin triplet to spin singlet is the origin of Pauli blockade.

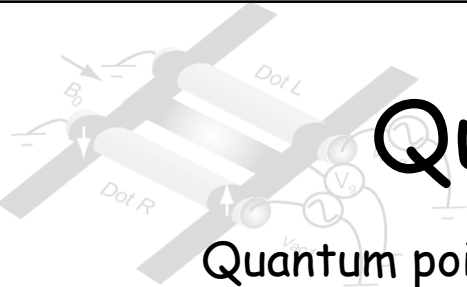


K. Ono et al., Science 297, 1313 (2001).

Result of exact diagonalization

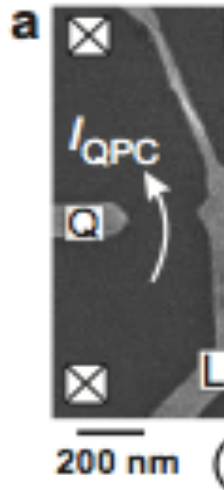


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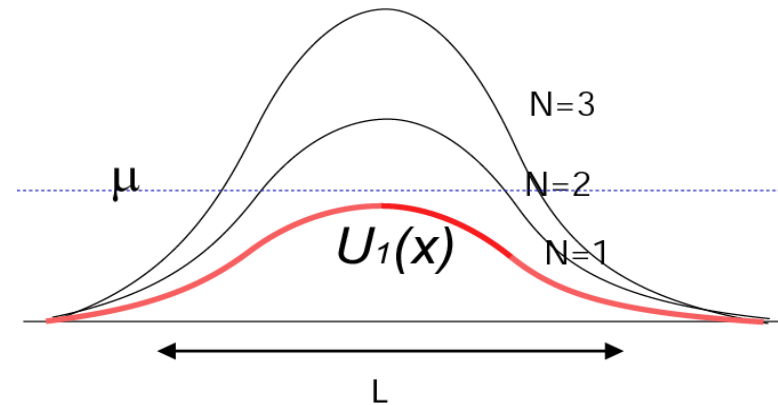
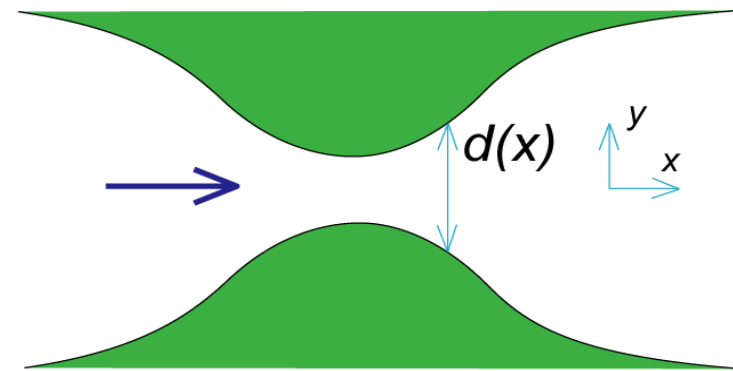
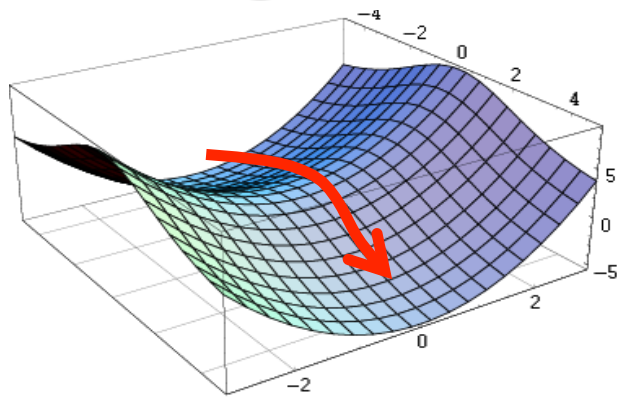


Quantum point contact (QPC)

Quantum point contact (QPC) is a very short and narrow constriction.

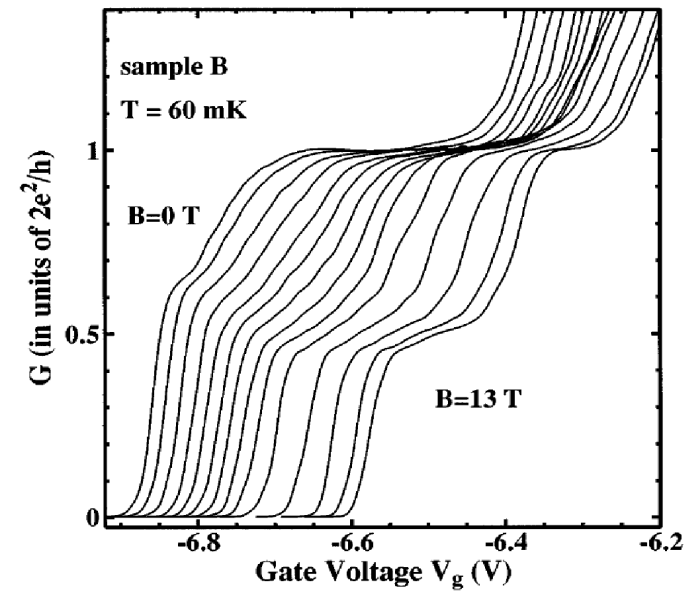
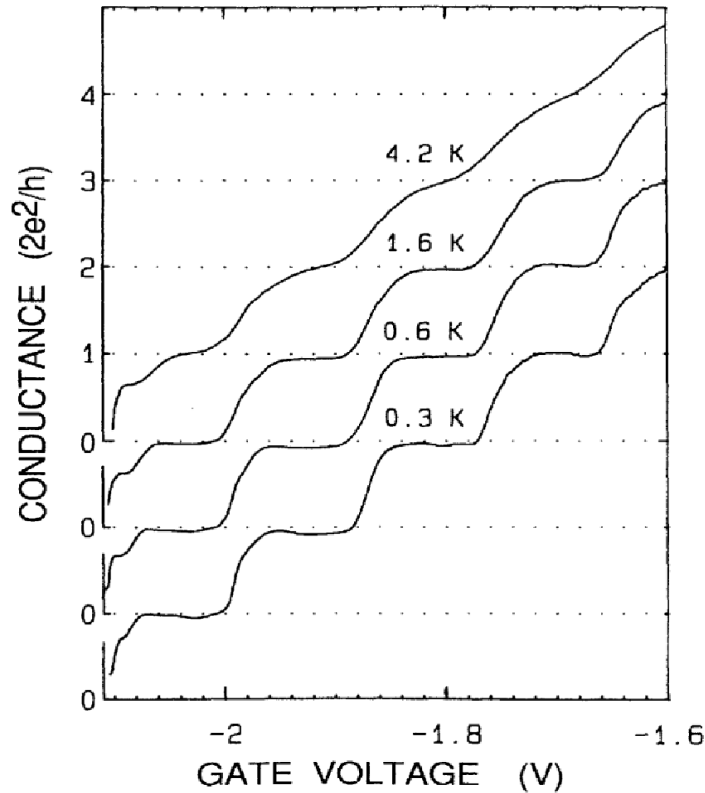
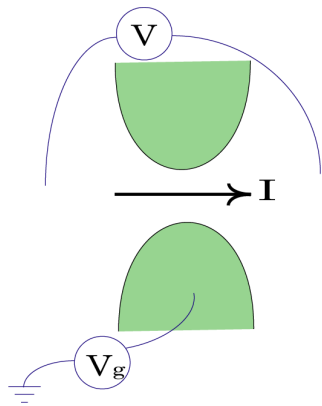
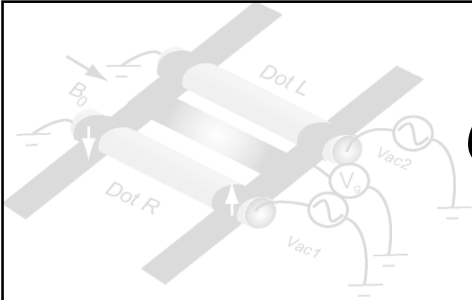


Landscape near QPC is the saddle point potential.



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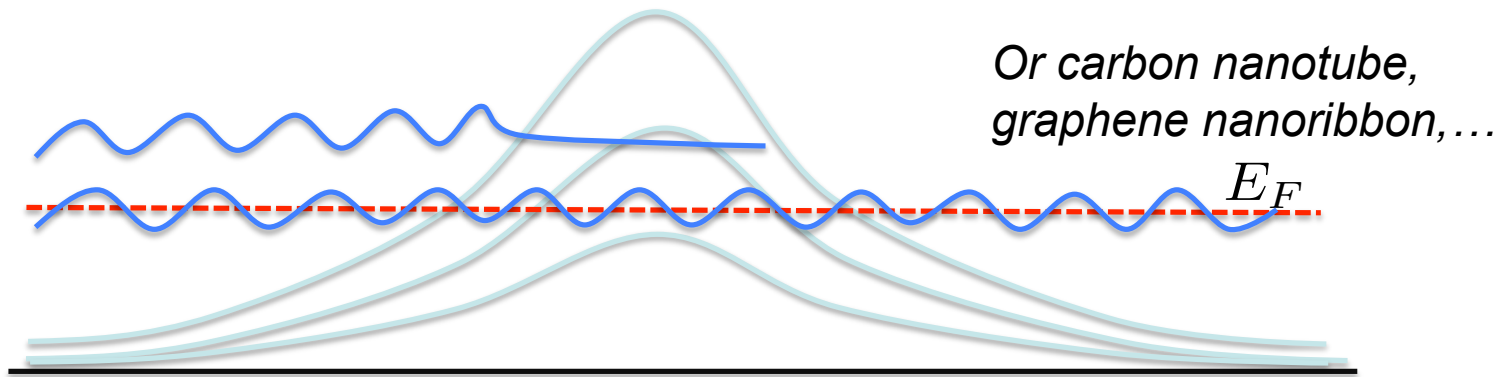
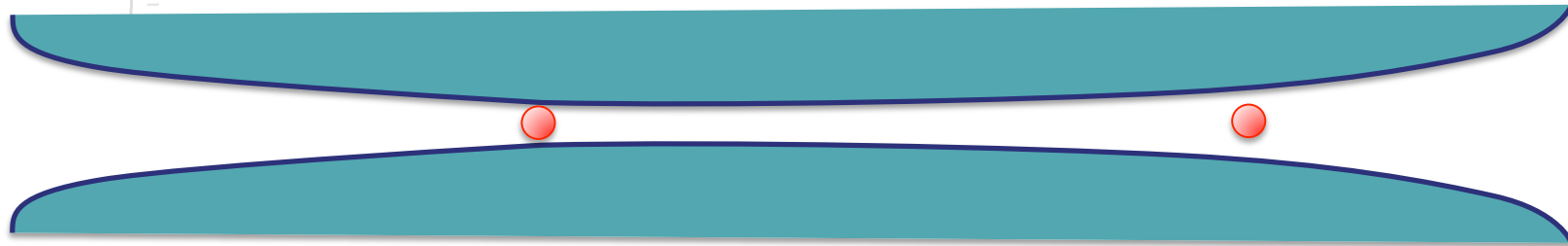
Conductance quantization



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Adiabatic transport - no channel mixing

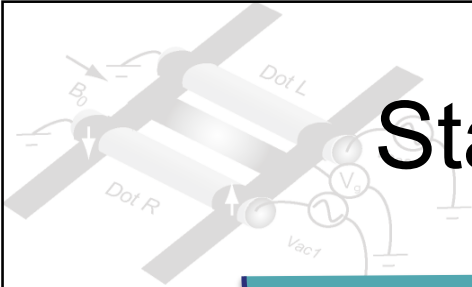


Conductance
Landauer's
formula

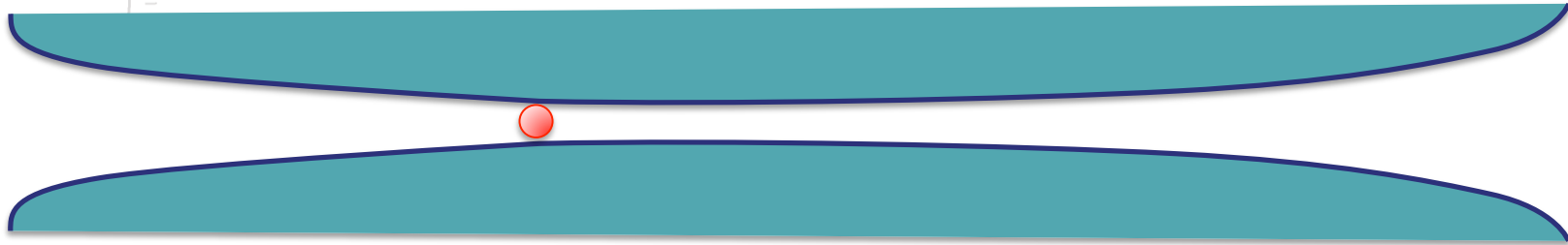
$$G = \frac{2e^2}{h} \sum_n T_n$$

Transmission probability of
mode n T_n

$$T_n = 1 \quad \text{Noiseless mode}$$



Statistics of transmitted current

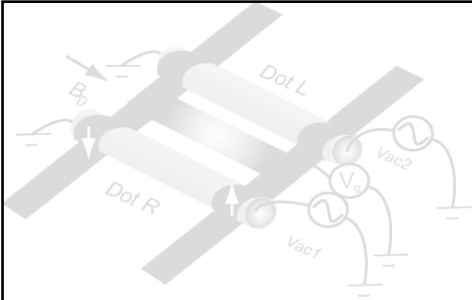


Input flux from degenerate Fermi sea with bias voltage V_{SD} :

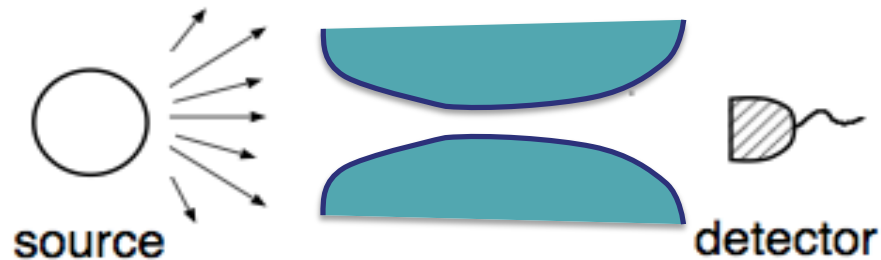
$$\begin{aligned}
 J &= ev_F(eV_{SD})\rho_F \\
 &= \frac{e^2V_{SD}}{\pi\hbar}
 \end{aligned}$$

Here we used the density of states at the Fermi energy

$$\rho_F = \overset{\substack{\nearrow \\ \text{spin}}}{\frac{2}{2\pi}} \frac{\partial k}{\partial E} = \frac{1}{\pi\hbar v_F} \quad \text{the Fermi velocity } v_F$$



Counting statistics



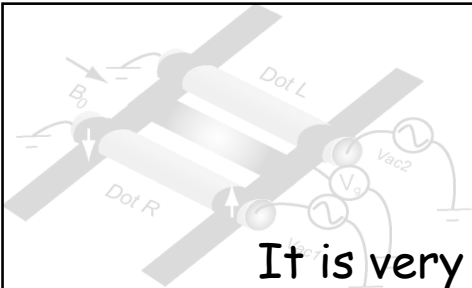
For each input electron, there are only two possible events, Transmitted (+) and Reflected (-).

For N inputs (in other words, for a finite time τJ), one possible series of events is (+,+,+,-,-,+,-+,-,-,-).

$\underbrace{\hspace{15em}}$
 N # of "+" is Q

The probability of this particular series, where Q out of N electrons are transmitted, is given by Binomial distribution function

$$P_N(Q) = \frac{N!}{Q!(N-Q)!} T^Q (1-T)^{N-Q}$$



Characteristic function

It is very useful to introduce the characteristic function, $C_N(\lambda)$, with a counting field λ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_N(\lambda) &= \sum_{Q=0}^N P_N(Q) e^{-i\lambda Q} \\
 &= (1 - T)^N + N(Te^{-i\lambda})(1 - T)^{N-1} \\
 &\quad + \frac{N(N-1)}{2!} (Te^{-i\lambda})^2 (1 - T)^{N-2} + \dots + (Te^{-i\lambda})^N \\
 &= (1 - T + Te^{-i\lambda})^N.
 \end{aligned}$$

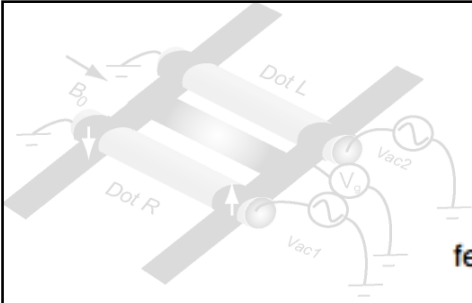
With this function, we can obtain l -th cumulant

$$\langle\langle Q^\ell \rangle\rangle = i^\ell \frac{d^\ell}{d\lambda^\ell} \ln C_N(\lambda) \Big|_{\lambda=0}$$

For example, the average and its variance are

$$\langle\langle Q \rangle\rangle = NT \quad \text{Zero at } T=1!$$

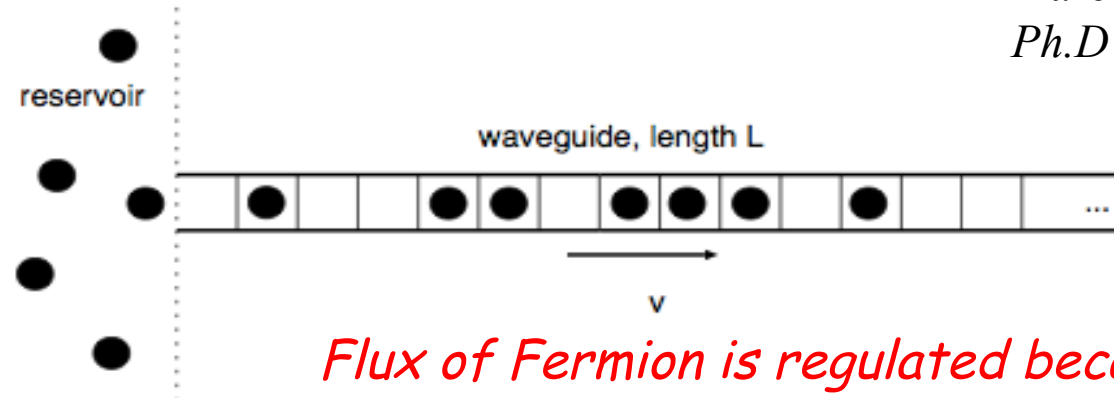
$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle\langle Q^2 \rangle\rangle &\equiv V = NT(1 - T) \\
 &= \langle Q^2 \rangle - \langle Q \rangle^2
 \end{aligned}$$



Dependence on statistics

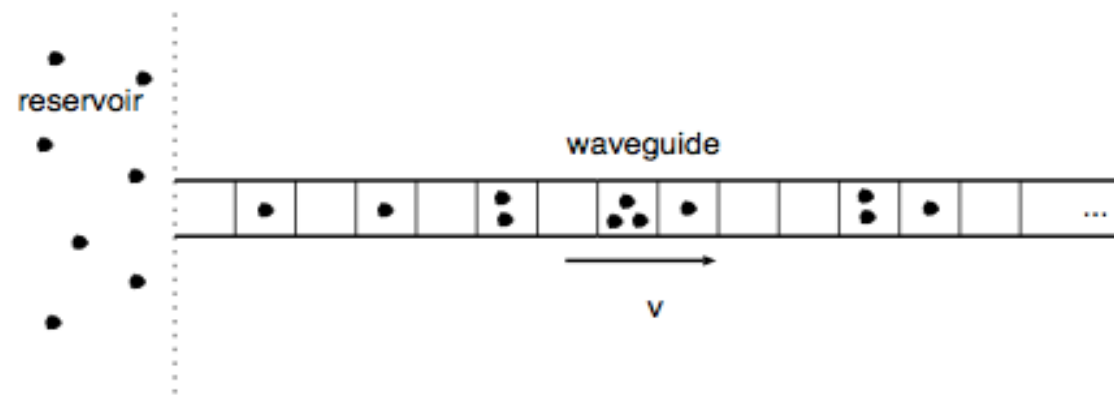
Marcus Kindermann,
Ph.D thesis

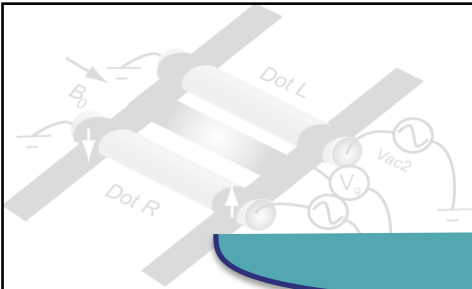
fermions:



Flux of Fermion is regulated because of Pauli exclusion principle.

bosons:





Shot noise



Zero frequency current noise for $eV_{SD} \gg k_B T$ is given by the variance for large τ

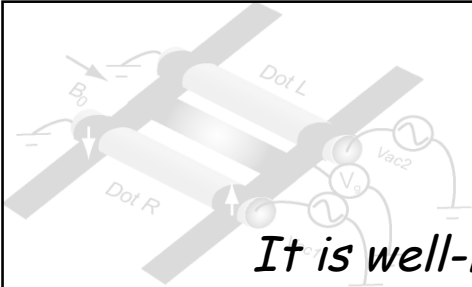
$$N = \tau J \quad V = NT(1 - T)$$



$$S \sim \frac{V}{\tau} = JT(1 - T) = \langle I \rangle (1 - T)$$

Average current is given by Landauer's formula: $\langle I \rangle = JT$

L. S. Levitov and G. B. Lesovik, JETP Lett. 58, 230 (1993).



Poisson distribution

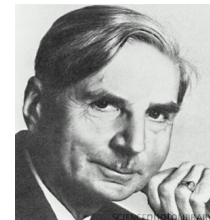
It is well-known that the Binomial distribution becomes Poisson distribution by letting N large while keeping average $\langle Q \rangle = NT$ finite:

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_N(\lambda) &= (1 - T + T e^{-i\lambda})^N \\
 &= \left(1 + \frac{NT(e^{-i\lambda} - 1)}{N}\right)^N \\
 &\xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} e^{NT(e^{-i\lambda} - 1)} \equiv C_P(\lambda)
 \end{aligned}$$

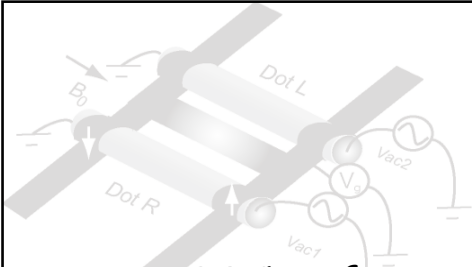
Then all the cumulants are identical.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle\langle Q^\ell \rangle\rangle &= i^\ell \frac{d^\ell}{d\lambda^\ell} [NT(e^{-i\lambda} - 1)]|_{\lambda=0} \\
 &= NT i^\ell \frac{d^\ell e^{-i\lambda}}{d\lambda^\ell} \\
 &= NT
 \end{aligned}$$

$$S \sim \langle I \rangle$$



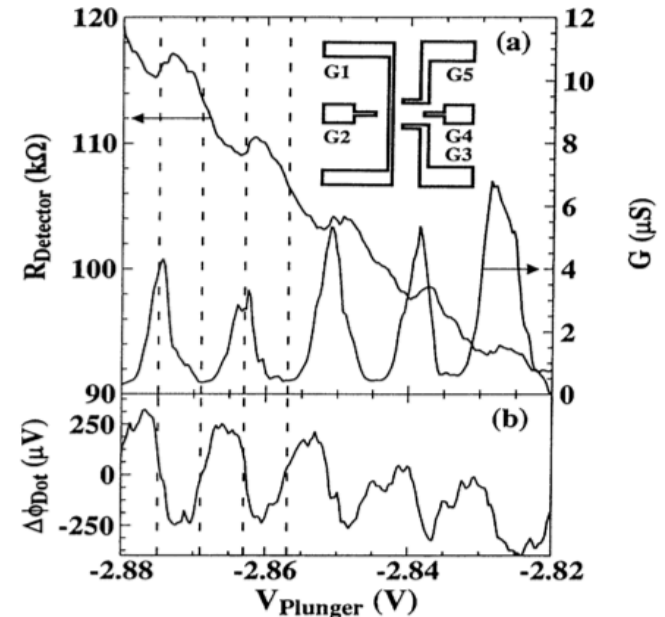
Walter Schottky (1918)



QPC Charge detection

QPC is frequently used as a sensitive charge detector since the current changes with the potential barrier.

M. Field, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 70, 1311 (1993).



Necessary condition to the time required to distinguish the change of the QPC current by the change of transmission.

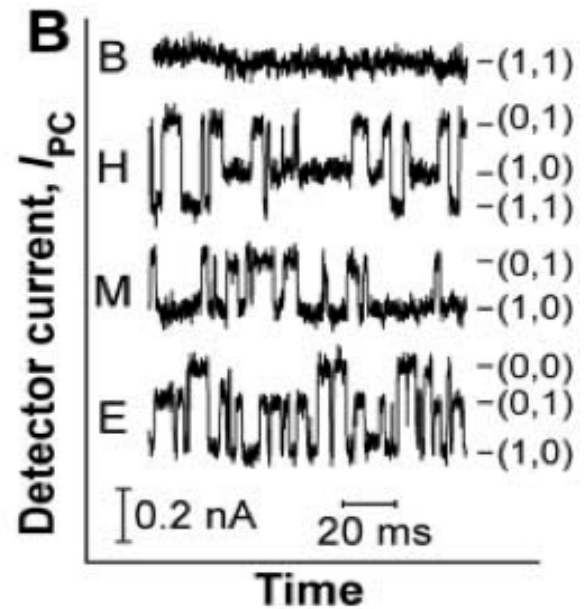
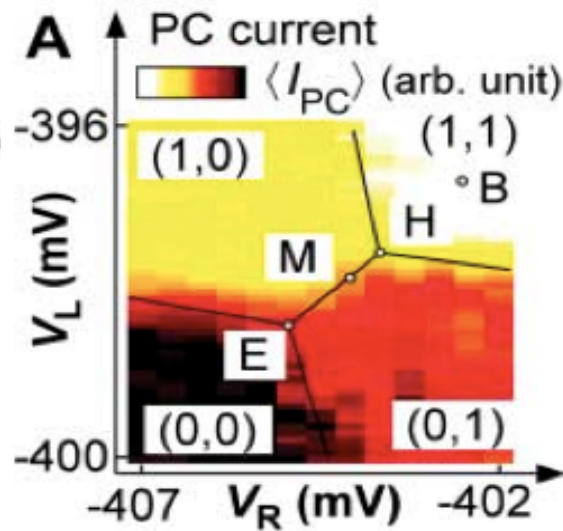
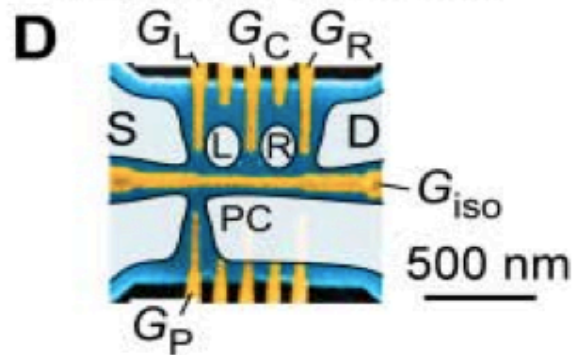
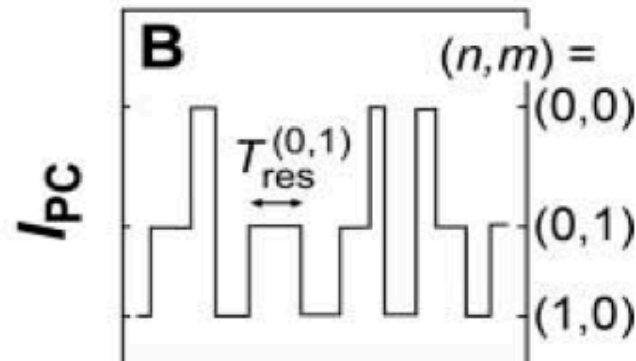
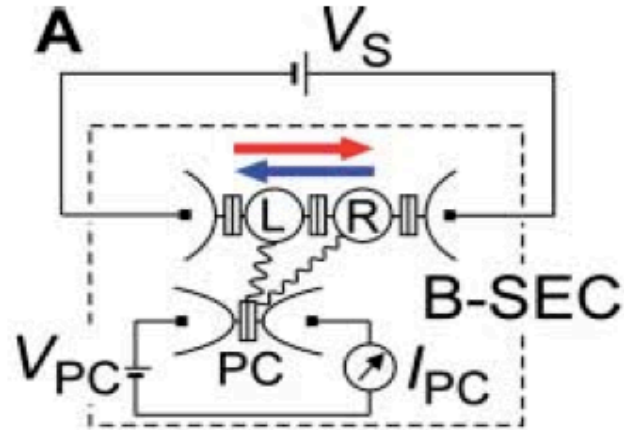
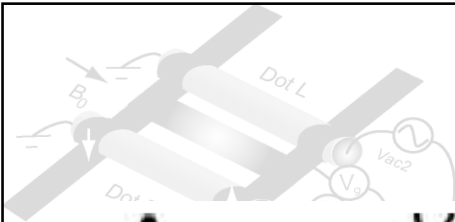
$$t_d \frac{eV_{SD}}{\pi\hbar} \Delta T \geq \sqrt{t_d \frac{eV_{SD}}{\pi\hbar} T(1-T)} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{t_d} \sim \frac{eV_{SD}}{h} \frac{(\Delta T)^2}{T(1-T)}$$

Change of transferred charge

Fluctuation

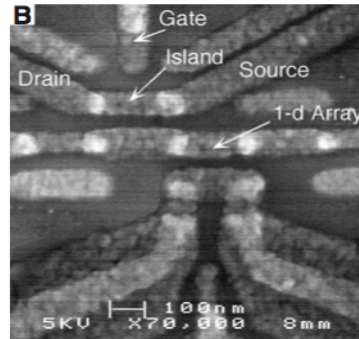
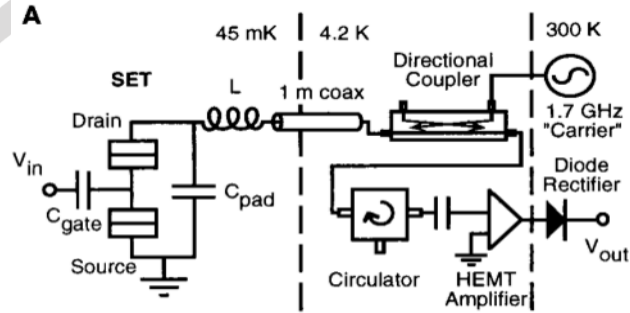
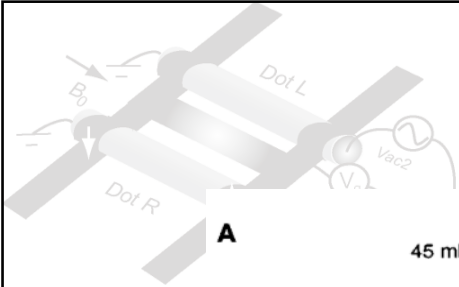
I. L. Aleiner, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 79, 3740 (1997).

Counting electrons

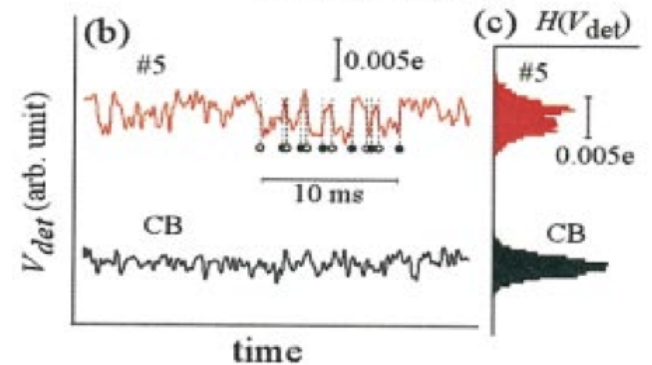
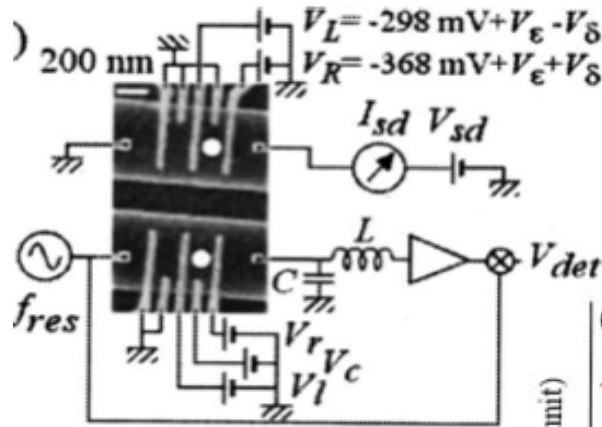
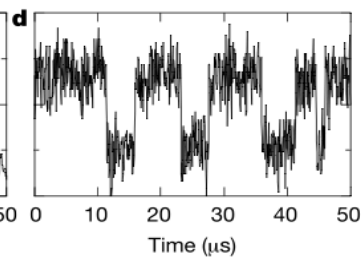
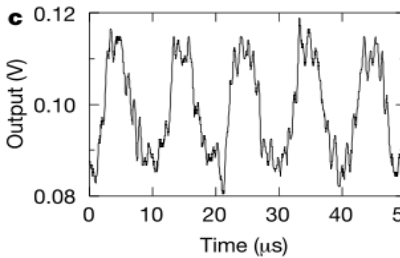
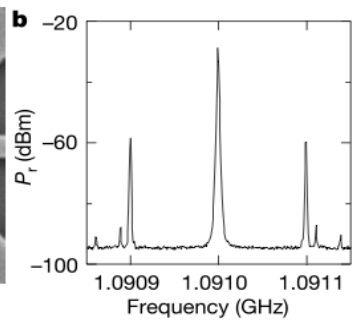
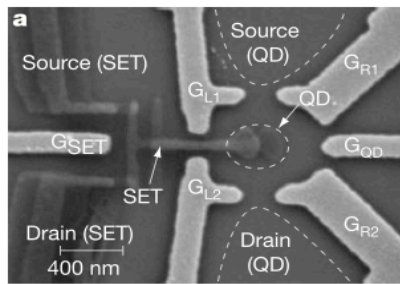


T. Fujisawa, et al., Science 312, 1634 (2006).

Radio-frequency(rf)-SET



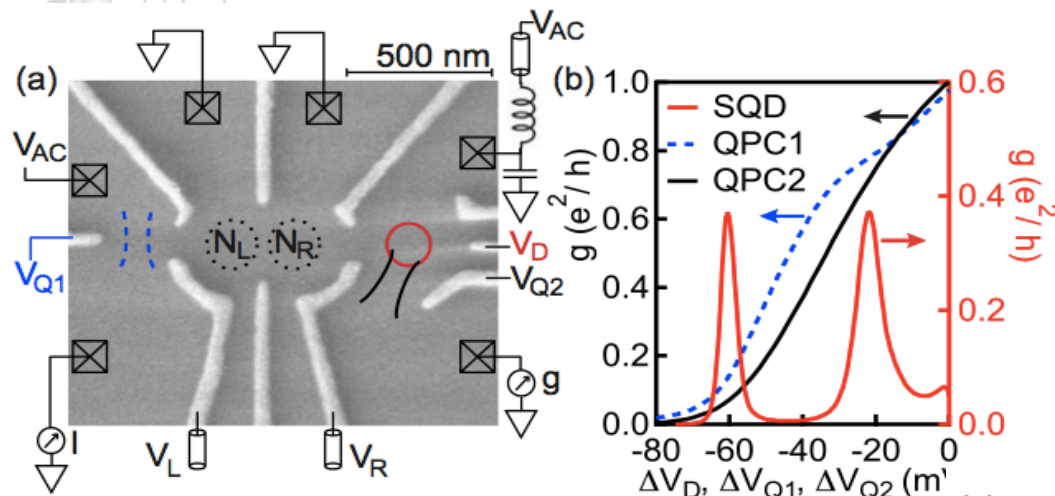
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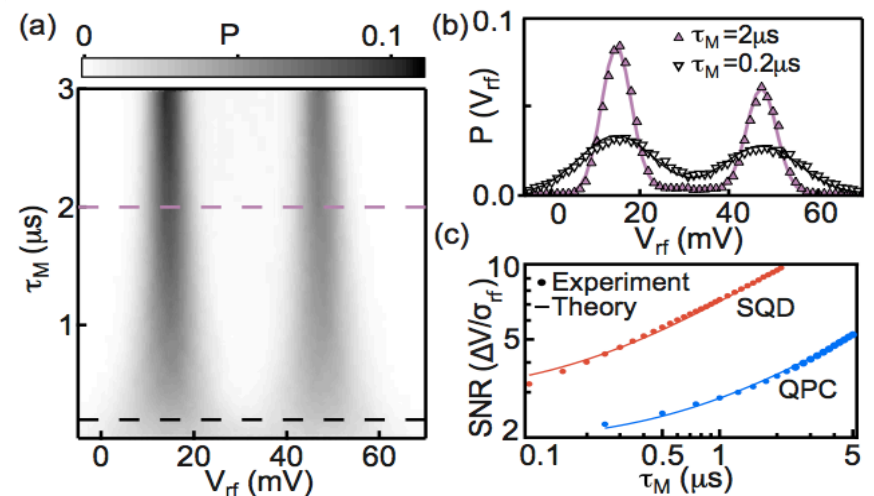
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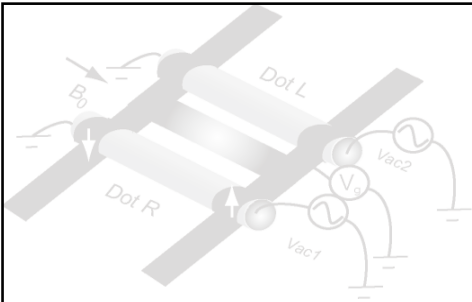
Comparison of QPC/QD detectors



The sensitivity of QD charge detector is superior to that of QPC.



C. Barthel, et al., Phys. Rev. B 81, 161308 (2010).



End of Part I

