#### Many-body physics and superconducting quantum circuits



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# What is many-body physics? One example: strongly correlated nanostructures



#### Many open questions: dynamics, entanglement...

Other examples: cold atoms, strongly correlated electron systems, high-Tc superconductors.....

## Why many-body physics?





fault tolerant threshold

error rate

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size of the Hilbert space  $M^N$ Hardware efficient What kind of many-body system? Our choice: quantum impurities



One quantum system coupled to a large bath: The "hydrogen atom" of many-body physics What kind of many-body system? Quantum impurities: relevant to many physical systems

Heavy fermions



Credit: Mohammad Hamidian - Davis Lab Nanostructures Exotic superconductors



Credit: Marc Tippmann Munich Cold atoms



Credit: Dalla Torre & Sela - Physics (2018)



Knap et al., Phys. Rev. X (2012)





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## $M^N$

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Easy to diagonalize, no entanglement



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W. E. Lamb & R. C. Retherford, Phys. Rev. (1947)

Small effect 
$$\frac{\Delta\omega}{\omega_0} = 10^{-6}$$

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$$\Delta \omega = \frac{1}{\omega_0^*} \omega_0^*$$

W. E. Lamb & R. C. Retherford, Phys. Rev. (1947)

Interplay of non-linearity and ZPF renormalization of the trapping potential H. A. Bethe, Phys. Rev. (1947)

## How do we engineer our many body system ? ZPF in circuits: destroying charge quantization



S. Jezouin, et al. Nature (2016)





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# The LC circuit: a harmonic oscillator



Useful variables

$$Q(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{t} i(t')dt'$$
$$\phi(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{t} v(t')dt'$$

Fluctuations

 $\left\langle Q^2 \right\rangle = \frac{\hbar}{2Z_0} \qquad \left\langle \phi^2 \right\rangle = \frac{\hbar Z_0}{2}$ with  $Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}}$ 

# Quantum circuits: transmission line



## What about the many degrees of freedom?



Microwave resonator



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# The Josephson junction

#### First Layer

#### Second Layer

#### "Superconducting tunnel junction"

300 nm

EHT = 3.00 kV WD = 4.2 mm Signal A = InLens System Vacuum = 2.08e-006 mbar Mag = 20.42 K X (Polaroïd reference)

Date :3 Jul 2015 Time :19:36:32



# A Josephson junction shunted by a capacitor



$$\hat{H} = E_{\rm c}(\hat{N} - n_{\rm g})^2 + E_{\rm J}(1 - \cos\hat{\phi})$$

Generalised impedance  $Z_{\rm J} = \hbar/(2e)^2 \sqrt{2E_{\rm c}/E_{\rm J}}$ 









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# Simplified system: Caldeira Leggett treatment $\phi$



 $m \in [1, N]$ 



Temperature [mK]

Fluctuations", Elsevier (1997)





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hence we need strong impedance environment as well

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#### Many-body physics and circuitQED Our choice: quantum impurities



#### Unexplored many-body physics ?

For a review see: G. Schön & A. D. Zaikin, Physics Reports (1990)

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$$Z_{\rm c} = \sqrt{L_{\rm J}(\Phi)/C_{\rm g}}$$
$$Z_{\rm J} = \sqrt{L_{\rm J}(\Phi)/C_{\rm J}}$$

## JJ meta-material: Bridge Free Fabrication



Challenges faced: stitching errors, resist homogeneity, focus homogeneity, proximity effect....

#### JJ meta-material: Measuring



Quantum regime:  $\hbar\omega\gg k_{\rm B}T$ 

Josephson junction meta-material



7

8

-45

-50

**4** 

5

6

Probe frequency (GHz)

 $Q_{\rm int} \sim 10^4$ 

## Well controlled environment





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small junction (non-linear):  $Z_{\rm J} \simeq 2k\Omega$ 

SQUID chains (linear):

 $Z_{\rm J} \simeq 10\Omega$  $Z_c = 1.8 \ k\Omega$ 





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## Odd/Even modes



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Experiment in the single mode case: C. Rolland, A. H. Phys. Rev. I

C. Rolland, A. Peugeot et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. (2019)



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Is this quantum?

#### ZPF versus temperature



## Influence of the small JJ on the environment



Strong back-action of the impurity on the environment



## ZPF versus temperature



$$\omega_{\rm J,th}^* = \sqrt{2E_{\rm J}^*E_{\rm c}}$$
$$\left| \phi^2 \right\rangle = 4\ln\left(\frac{\omega_{\rm J,bare}}{\omega_{\rm J}^*}\right)$$

## ZPF versus temperature



What about the many-body nature ?









## **Conclusion and Perspectives**

#### A Josephson platform for many-body quantum optics

Y. Krupko et al., J. Puertas-Martinez et al., npjQI (2019) Phys. Rev. B (2018) (See also R. Kuzmin et al., npjQI (2019))

Effect of Many-body ZPF: Lamb shift cousin (> 30%) and back-action of the impurity on the bath

S. Leger et al., in prep

Quantitative understanding using a variational ansatz

Non-linearity induced on the bath modes

Losses of the odd modes

Coherent manipulation of a many-body system













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Extracting  $\omega_{\mathrm{T}}^*$ 



Odd and Even modes : 
$$\begin{split} \omega_e &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} \qquad \omega_o = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L_{\Sigma}C_{\Sigma}}} \\ &\frac{1}{L_{\Sigma}} = \frac{1}{2L} + \frac{1}{L_J} \\ &C_{\Sigma} = \frac{C}{2} + C_J \end{split}$$







# Recent work: qubit coupled to high-impedance meta-materials





J. Puertas-Martinez et al., npj Quantum Information (2019)

University of Maryland (Manucharyan group)

R. Kuzmin et al., npj Quantum Information (2019)

## A Transmon coupled to a JJ meta-material



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Theory without free parameter

## Non-linearity



	Ec	E <sub>J</sub> (from R <sub>N</sub> )	EJ (from fit)	Zc
Sample 0	14.1 GHz	3.77 +/- 0.25 GHz	3.50 +/- 0.02 GHz	1.87 kOhms
Sample 1	13.4 GHz	5.76 +/- 0.29 GHz	5.49 +/- 0.02 GHz	1.77 kOhms
Sample 2	10.2 GHz	6.84 +/- 0.49 GHz	7.78 +/- 0.005 GHz	1.84 kOhms