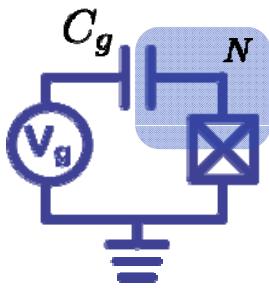


# A Charge Qubit: The Cooper Pair Box

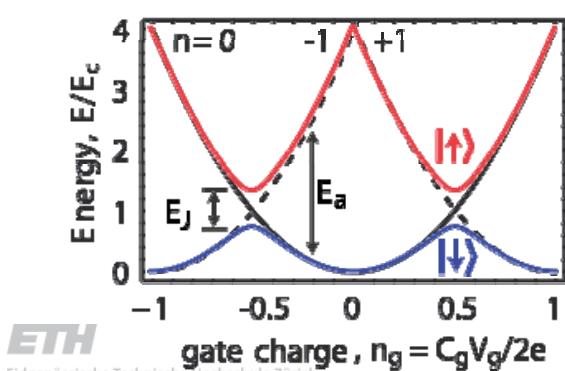


$$H_{el} = E_C N^2$$

$$H = E_C(N - N_g)^2 - E_J \cos \delta$$

$$[\delta, N] = i \quad \rightarrow \quad e^{\pm i\delta} |n\rangle = |n \pm 1\rangle$$

$$H = \sum_N \left[ E_C(N - N_g)^2 |N\rangle\langle N| - \frac{E_J}{2} (|N\rangle\langle N+1| + |N+1\rangle\langle N|) \right]$$



Charging energy:  $E_C = \frac{(2e)^2}{2C_\Sigma}$

Gate charge:  $N_g = \frac{C_g V_g}{2e}$

Josephson energy:  $E_J = \frac{I_0 \Phi_0}{2\pi} = \frac{\hbar \Delta}{8e^2 R_J}$

Bouchiat et al. Physica Scripta 176, 165 (1998)

Cooper pair box Hamiltonian:

$$\hat{H} = \underbrace{E_C (N - N_g)^2}_{\text{electrostatic}} - \underbrace{E_J \cos \delta}_{\text{magnetic energy}} = \frac{E_S}{2} (e^{i\delta} + e^{-i\delta})$$

charging energy    Josephson coupling Energy

$$E_C = \frac{(2e)^2}{2C_\Sigma} \qquad E_S = \frac{\Phi I_c}{2\pi}$$

Hamiltonian in charge representation:

$$\hat{H} = E_C (N - N_g)^2 |N\rangle\langle N| - \frac{E_S}{2} \sum_N (|N+1\rangle\langle N| + |N\rangle\langle N+1|)$$

easy to diagonalize numerically

$$\hat{H} = \begin{pmatrix} \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ \cdots & E_C(-1-N_g)^2 & -E_S/2 & 0 & \cdots \\ \cdots & -E_S/2 & E_C(0-N_g)^2 & -E_S/2 & \cdots \\ \cdots & 0 & -E_S/2 & E_C(1-N_g)^2 & \cdots \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \end{pmatrix}$$

relation between phase and number basis:

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_N e^{i\hat{\delta} N} |N\rangle \quad \text{with} \quad e^{i\hat{\delta}} |N\rangle = |N+1\rangle$$

Phase representation of Cooper pair box Hamiltonian:

$$\hat{H} = E_C (\hat{N} - N_g)^2 - E_J \cos \hat{\delta}$$

$$= E_C (-i \frac{\partial}{\partial \delta} - N_g)^2 - E_J \cos \hat{\delta}$$

with  $\hat{N} = \frac{\hat{Q}}{ze} = -i \hbar \frac{1}{ze} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$

$$= -i \frac{\partial}{\partial \delta}$$

Equivalent solution to the Hamiltonian can be found in both representations, e.g. by numerically solving the Schrödinger equation for the charge ( $N$ ) representation or analytically solving the Schrödinger equation for the phase ( $\delta$ ) representation.

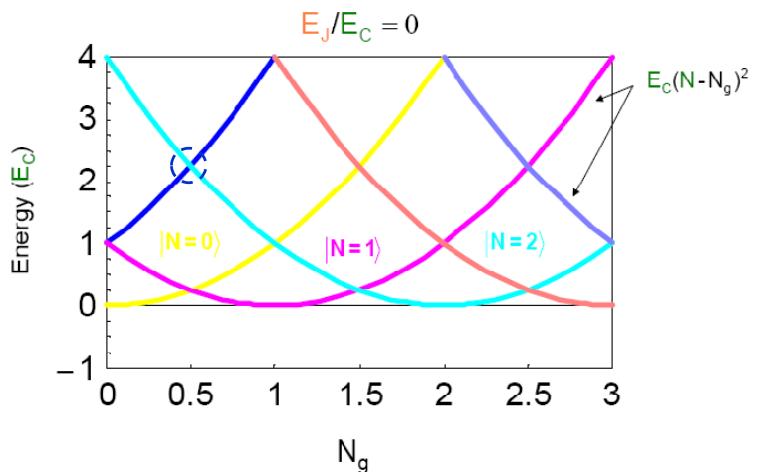
$$\hat{H} |4\rangle = E(\psi)$$

solutions for  $E_J = 0$ :

- crossing points are charge degeneracy points



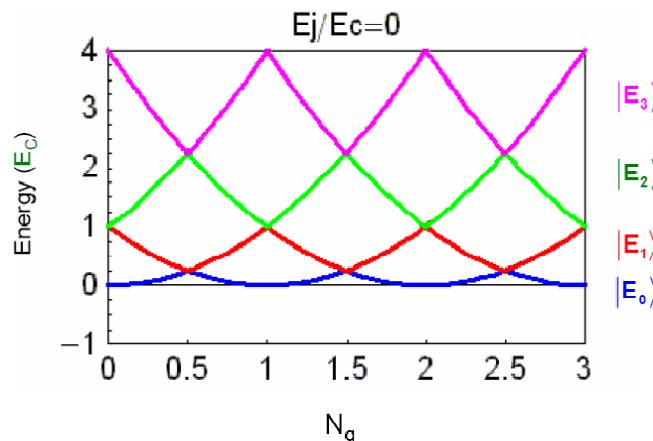
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## Energy Levels

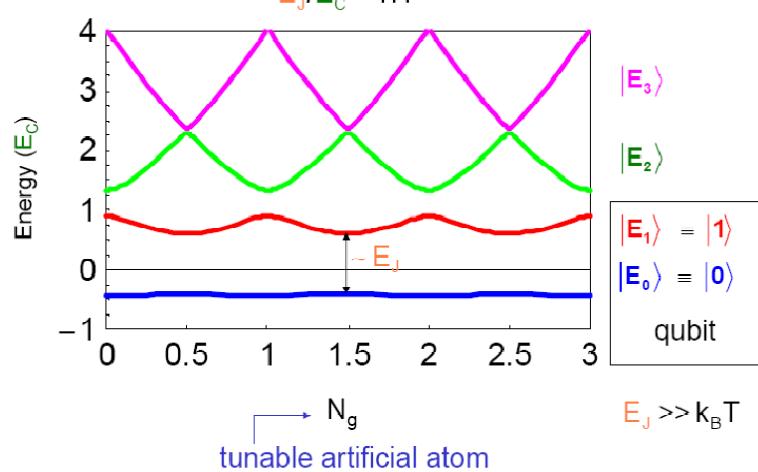
energy level diagram for  $E_J=0$ :

- energy bands are formed
- bands are periodic in  $N_g$



energy bands for finite  $E_J$

- Josephson coupling lifts degeneracy
- $E_J$  scales level separation at charge degeneracy

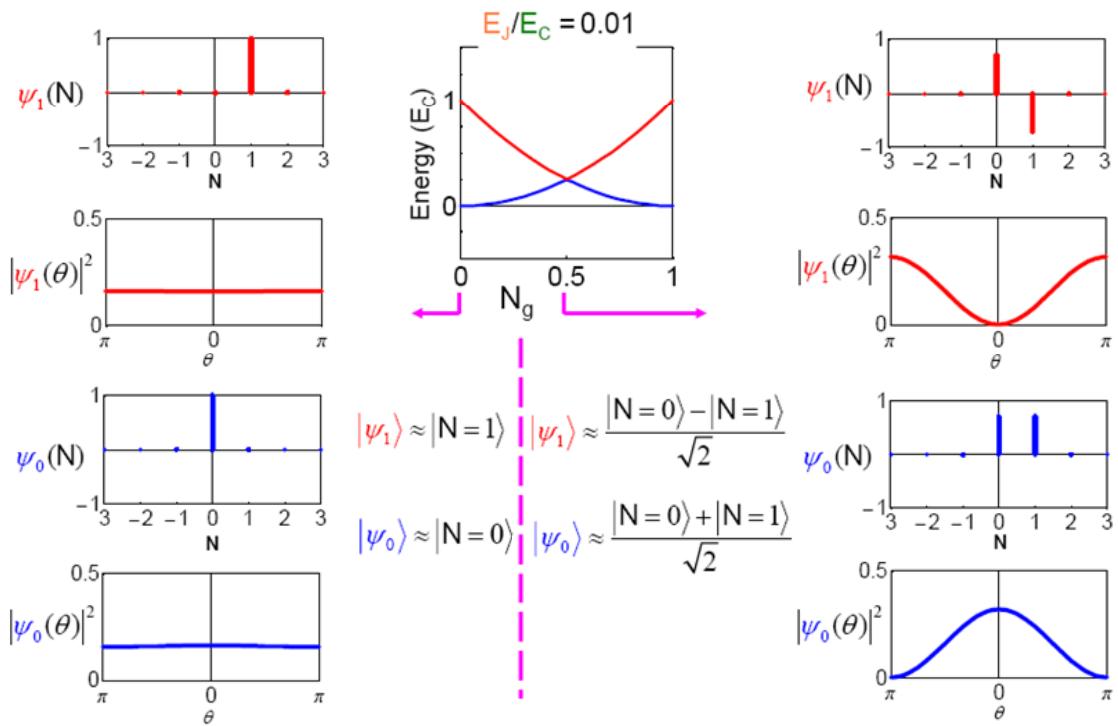


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$N_g$   
tunable artificial atom

$E_J >> k_B T$

# Charge and Phase Wave Functions ( $E_j \ll E_c$ )

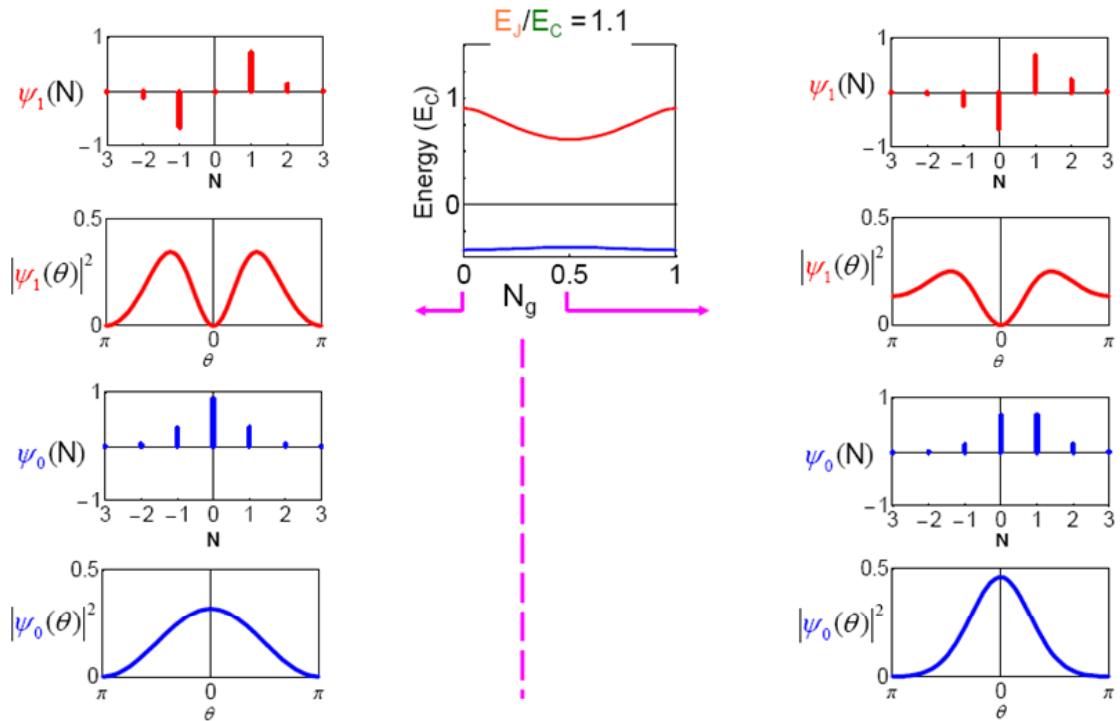


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# Charge and Phase Wave Functions ( $E_j \sim E_c$ )



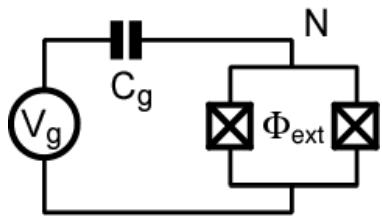
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# Tuning the Josephson Energy

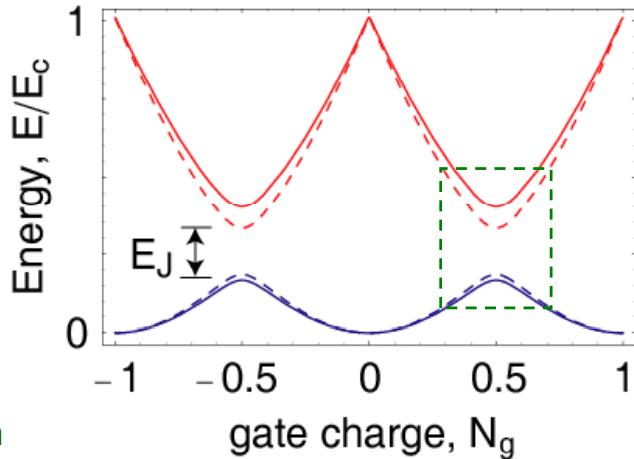
split Cooper pair box in perpendicular field



$$H = E_C (N - N_g)^2 - E_{J,\max} \cos \left( \pi \frac{\Phi_{\text{ext}}}{\Phi_0} \right)$$

SQUID modulation of Josephson energy

$$E_J = E_{J,\max} \cos \left( \pi \frac{\Phi_{\text{ext}}}{\Phi_0} \right)$$



consider two state approximation



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## Two State Approximation

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{CPB}} = \mathbf{H}_{\text{el}} + \mathbf{H}_J = E_C(N - N_g)^2 - E_J \cos \delta$$

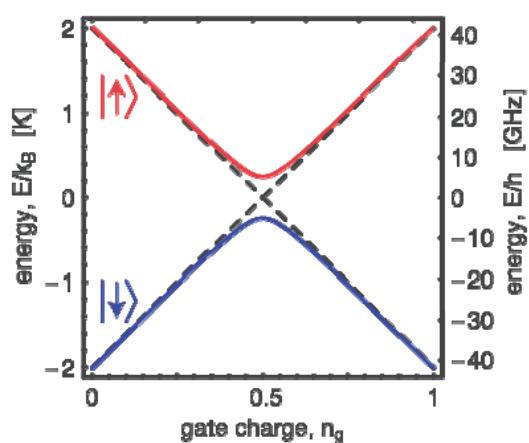
$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{CPB}} = \sum_N \left[ E_C(N - N_g)^2 |N\rangle \langle N| - \frac{E_J}{2} (|N\rangle \langle N+1| + |N+1\rangle \langle N|) \right]$$

Restricting to a two-charge Hilbert space:

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1 - \sigma_z}{2}$$

$$\cos \delta = \frac{\sigma_x}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H}_{\text{CPB}} &= -\frac{E_C}{2}(1 - 2N_g)\sigma_z - \frac{E_J}{2}\sigma_x \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}(E_{\text{el}}\sigma_z + E_J\sigma_x) \end{aligned}$$



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# Cavity QED with Electronic Circuits

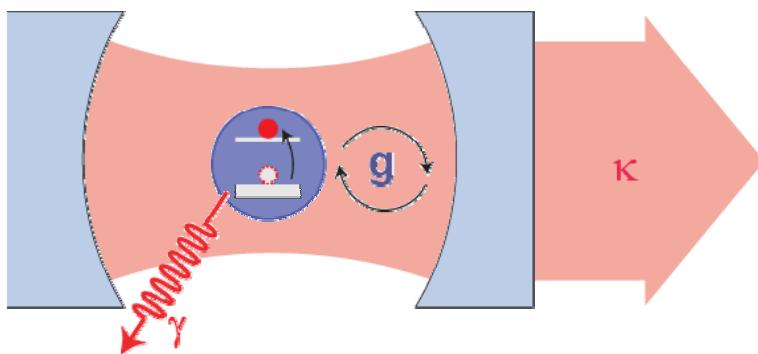


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## Cavity Quantum Electrodynamics

coupling photons to qubits:



Jaynes-Cummings Hamiltonian

$$H = \hbar\omega_r \left( a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{\hbar\omega_a}{2} \sigma^z + \hbar g(a^\dagger \sigma^- + a \sigma^+) + H_\kappa + H_\gamma$$

strong coupling limit ( $g = dE_0/\hbar > \gamma, \kappa, 1/t_{\text{transit}}$ )



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# Dressed States Energy Level Diagram

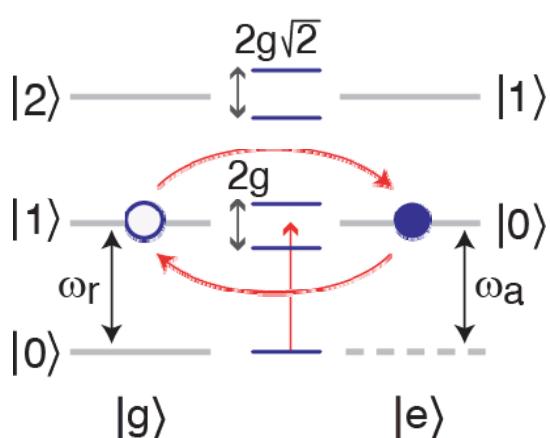
$$H = \hbar\omega_r \left( a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{\hbar\omega_a}{2} \sigma^z + \hbar g(a^\dagger \sigma^- + a \sigma^+)$$

in resonance:

$$\omega_a - \omega_r = \Delta = 0$$

strong coupling limit:

$$g = \frac{dE_0}{\hbar} > \gamma, \kappa$$



**Jaynes-Cummings Ladder**

Atomic cavity quantum electrodynamics reviews:

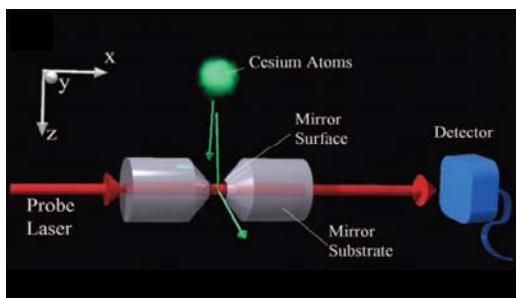
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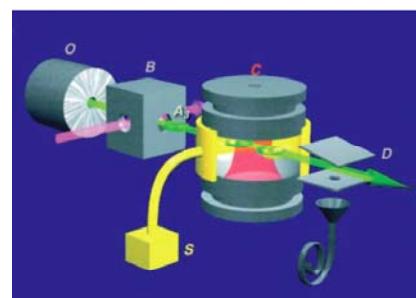


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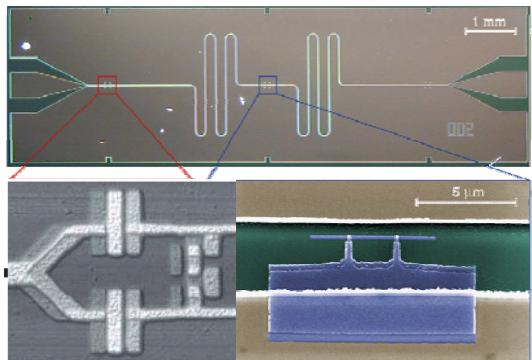
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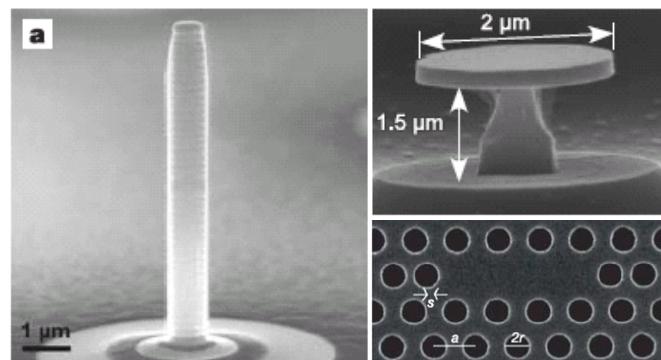
alkali atoms  
MPQ, Caltech, ...



Rydberg atoms  
ENS, MPQ, ...



superconductor circuits  
Yale, Delft, NTT, ETHZ, NIST, ...

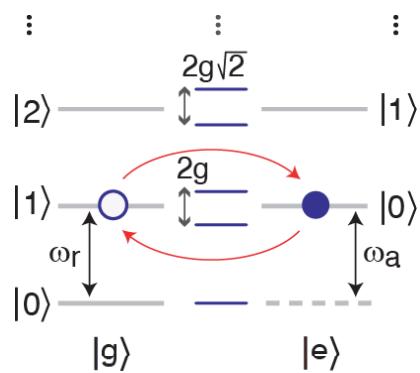
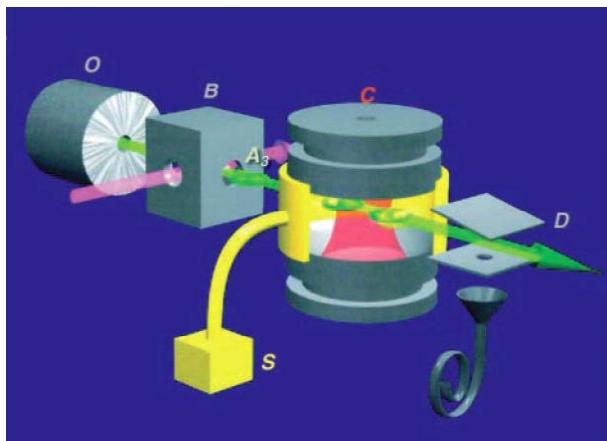


semiconductor quantum dots  
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# Vacuum Rabi Oscillations with Rydberg Atoms

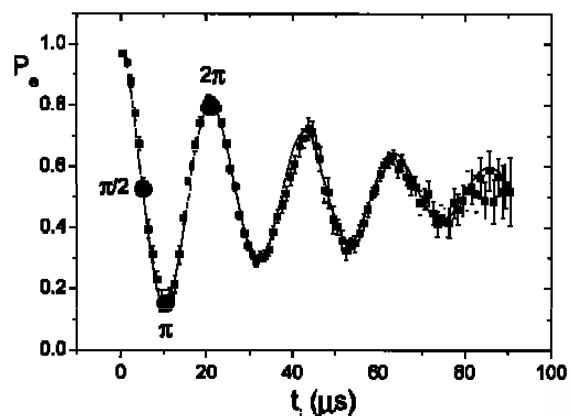


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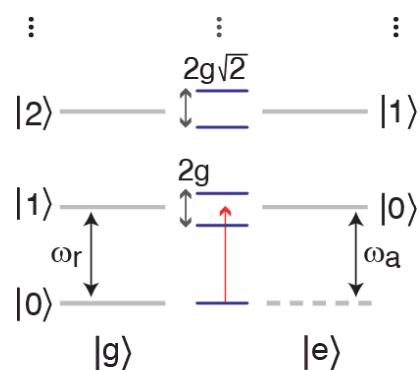
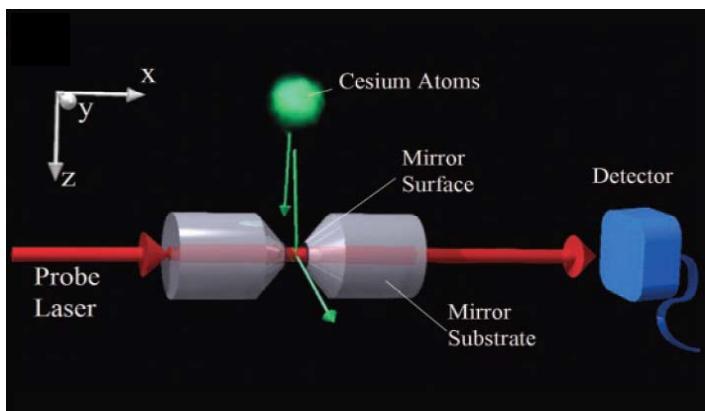
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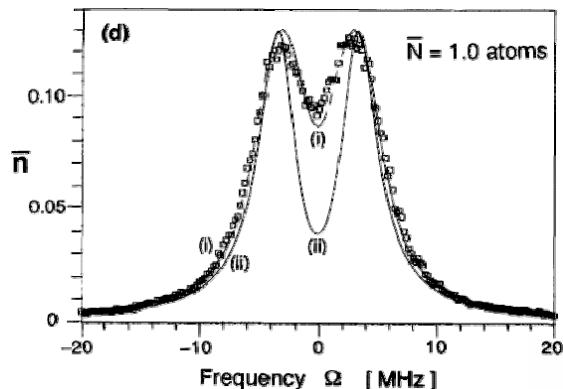
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