

QSIT 2013 - Questions 5

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1. Microwave drive of a CPB

Consider a Cooper-pair box subject to an external microwave drive coupled through the gate capacitor.

- (a) Starting from the full Hamiltonian of the CPB derive the following Hamiltonian in the two level approximation:

$$H = -\frac{\hbar\omega_0}{2}\sigma_z + A\cos(\omega t)\sigma_x$$

- (b) What will be the Hamiltonian in a frame rotating around z -axis at the same frequency as the drive.
- (c) Which terms can be neglected and why?

2. Resonator-qubit interaction in dispersive regime

The coupling of a qubit to a resonator in the rotating wave approximation is written as

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

Here, ω_r and ω_q are the frequencies of the resonator and the qubit, respectively, and g is their coupling strength.

In the dispersive regime when the qubit and the resonator frequencies are far detuned ($|\Delta| = |\omega_q - \omega_r| \gg g$), diagonalization of this Hamiltonian to the lowest order in g leads to

$$H \approx \left(\hbar\omega_r + \frac{\hbar g^2}{\Delta}\sigma_z \right) \left(a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{\hbar\omega_q}{2}\sigma_z$$

- (a) How can we measure the qubit state using a resonator which is dispersively coupled to the qubit?
- (b) How does the qubit energy depend on the resonator state?
- (c) Can we measure the state of the resonator using the qubit?