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Towards Quantum Network with Superconducting Circuits

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Abstract

In recent years, quantum information science has advanced rapidly. The combination of quantum channels and quantum nodes would create a quantum network. Such a quantum network enables quantum computing and quantum communication, which is much more advantages than its classical counterpart in terms of computational ability and communication security.

In this talk, I will focus on implementation of quantum nodes using superconducting circuits. In the first sets of experiments, we embed a transmon artificial atom in an open transmission line. When a weak coherent state is on resonance with the atom, we observe extinction of up to 99% in the forward propagating field. We also study the statistics of the reflected radiation, and we demonstrate photon antibunching in the reflected signal by measuring the second-order correlation function [1]. The non-classical fields can be used as quantum information. By applying a second control tone, we observe the Autler-Townes splitting and a giant cross-Kerr effect [2]. The interaction between two fields via the artificial atoms can be used as phase gate. Furthermore, we demonstrate fast operation of a single-photon router [3] using the Autler-Townes splitting. In the second sets of experiments, we demonstrate that coherent-state microwave photons, with an optimal temporal waveform, can be efficiently loaded onto a single superconducting artificial atom in a semi-infinite 1D transmission-line waveguide [4]. At the end, I will propose promising experiments to implement quantum memory and readout state without cavity.

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[2] I.-C. Hoi et al. Physical Review Letters 111, 053601 (2013)

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[4] W. J. Lin et al. arXiv:2012.15084 (2021)