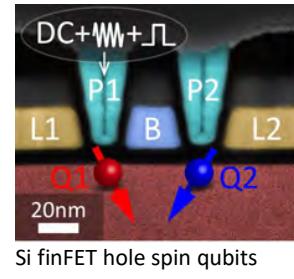
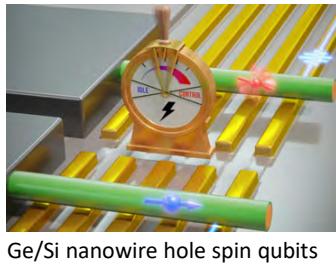


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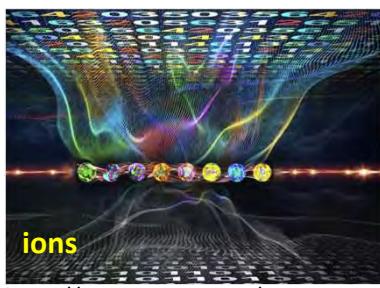
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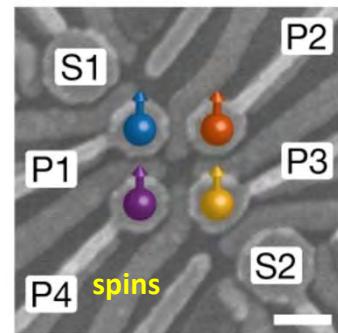
Qubit front runners

large and slow

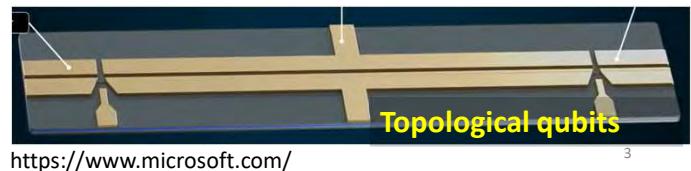


advanced, but...

small and
fast, but...



exotic, but...



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The Quantum Computing Race

UCSB + Google
sc Qubits

IBM
sc Qubits

Copenhagen+Delft+...
+Microsoft: Majoranas

Delft + Intel
Si Spins

Amazon + Caltech
sc Qubits

UNSW Sydney
Si spins

Basel + ETHs + IBM
Si Spins (2020)

Grenoble + LETI
Si spins

RIKEN
Si spins

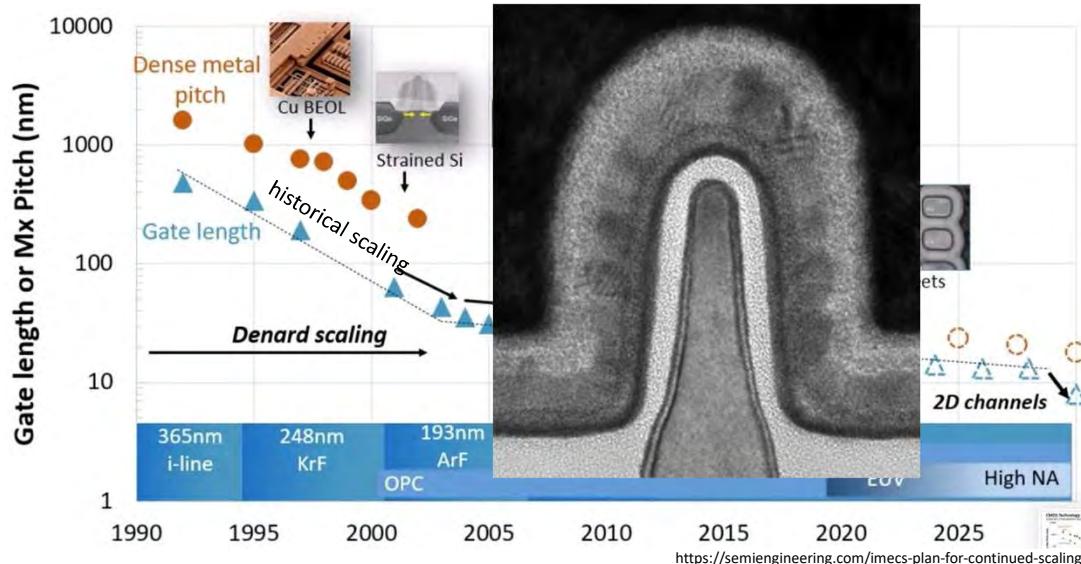
and many more, plus numerous startups...
and counting!

road maps to 10'000+ qubits...

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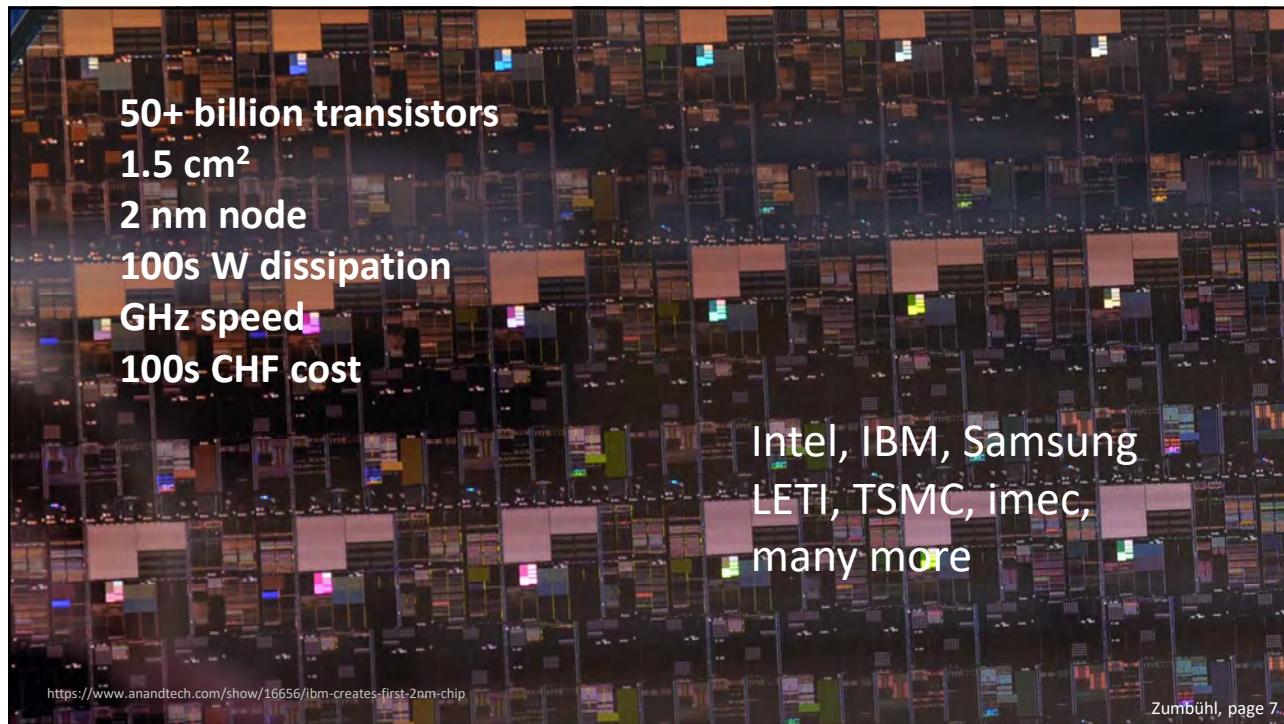
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Scaling transistors...



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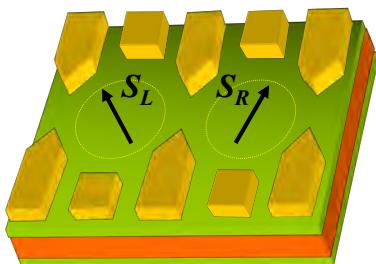
Loss-DiVincenzo Qubit

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Quantum computation with quantum dots

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spins in quantum dots
electrical control of spin qubit





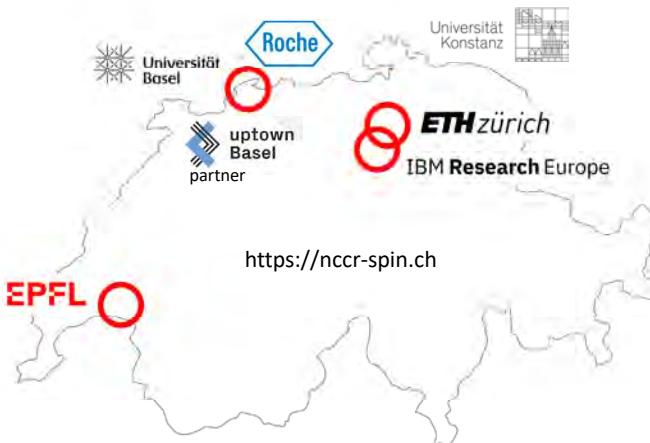
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NCCR SPIN: Spin Qubits in Silicon



- NCCR SPIN is developing a spin quantum computer in silicon and/or germanium
- **Main objective:** to develop fast, compact and scalable electron and hole spin qubits
- **Interdisciplinary team** from quantum physics, materials science, engineering and computer science



- Swiss network with **ETH Zurich**, **EPF Lausanne**, and **University of Basel** as home institution, and industrial partner **IBM Research Zurich**

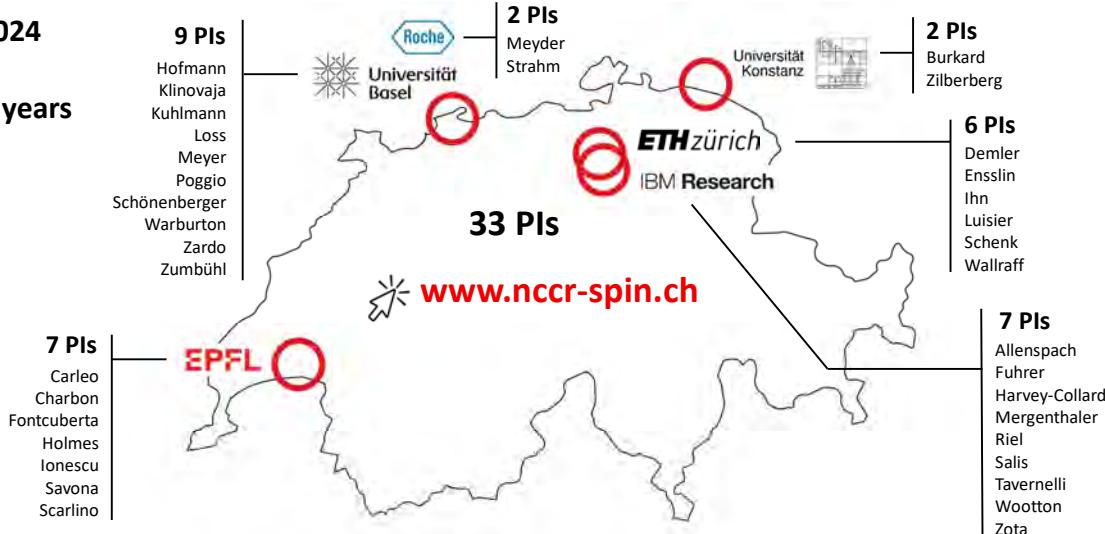


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NCCR SPIN: Swiss Quantum Computing

2020-2024
+ up to
8 more years

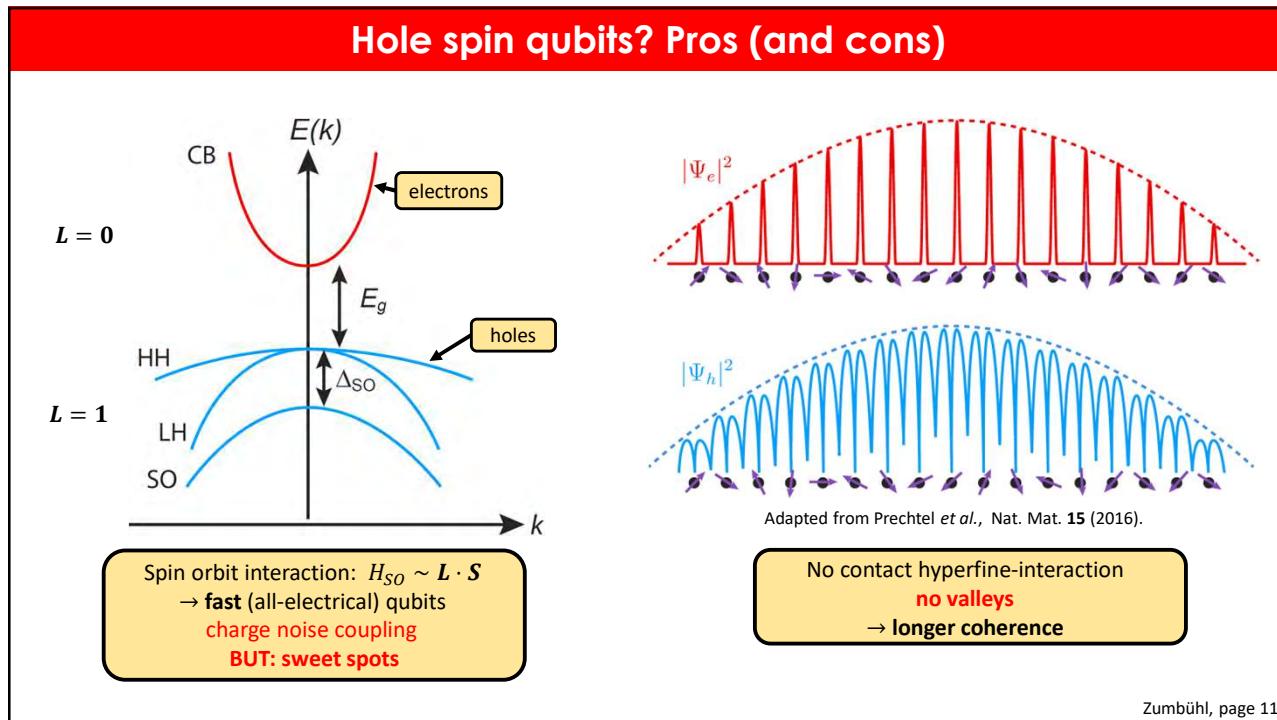


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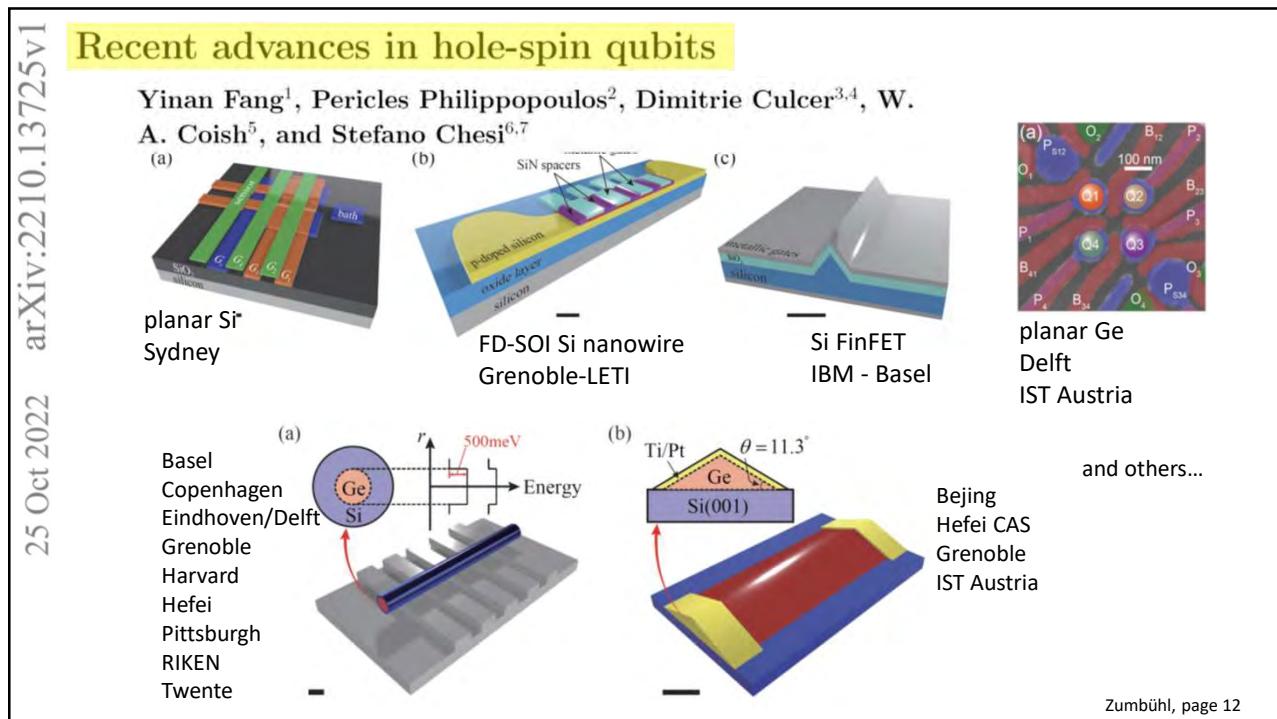


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Holes in 1D: direct-Rashba SOI

Holes in 1D
strong transverse confinement
heavy-hole / light-hole mixing

→ direct Rashba spin-orbit interaction

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Maier *et al.*, Phys. Rev. B **87** (2013).
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L_{x,y} confine.

$H_R \sim \alpha (\sigma \times k)$

Traditional Rashba: $\alpha_R \propto e/E_g$ with $E_g \approx 0.9$ eV (band-gap)
Direct Rashba: $\alpha_{DR} \propto eCU/\Delta$ with $\Delta \approx 20$ meV (subband)
very strong term

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Strong coupling to electric fields → **electrical control**

2. Qubit energy

Spin-orbit strength vs **electric field (e.g. from gate)**

3. Qubit speed

(curves adapted from Kloeffel *et al.*, PRB **88** (2013).)
Bosco, Hetenyi, and Loss, PRXQ **2** (2021)

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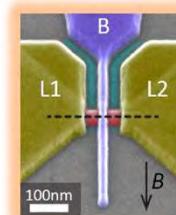
Ge/Si nanowires and Si finFETs

Germanium/Silicon core-shell NW



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Silicon finFET



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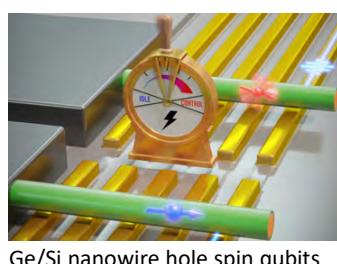
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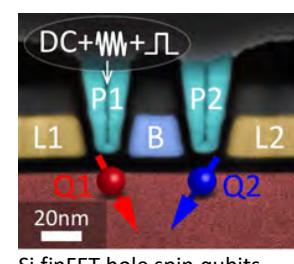
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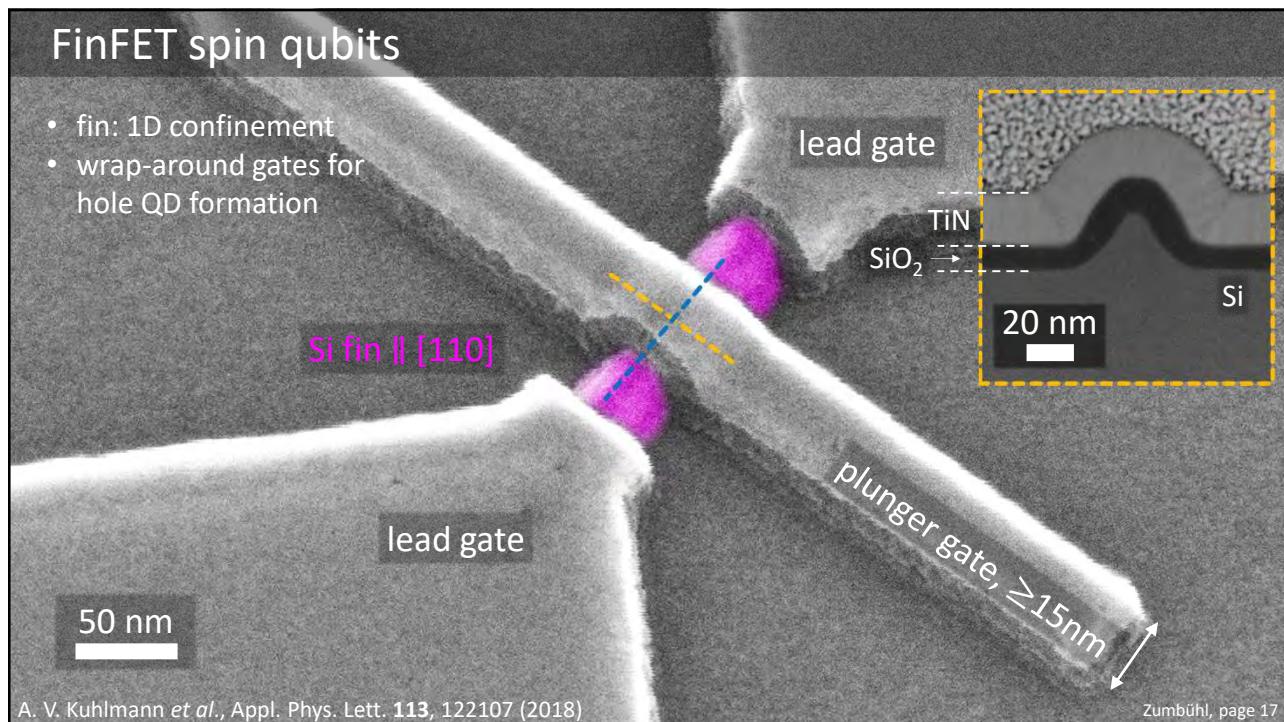
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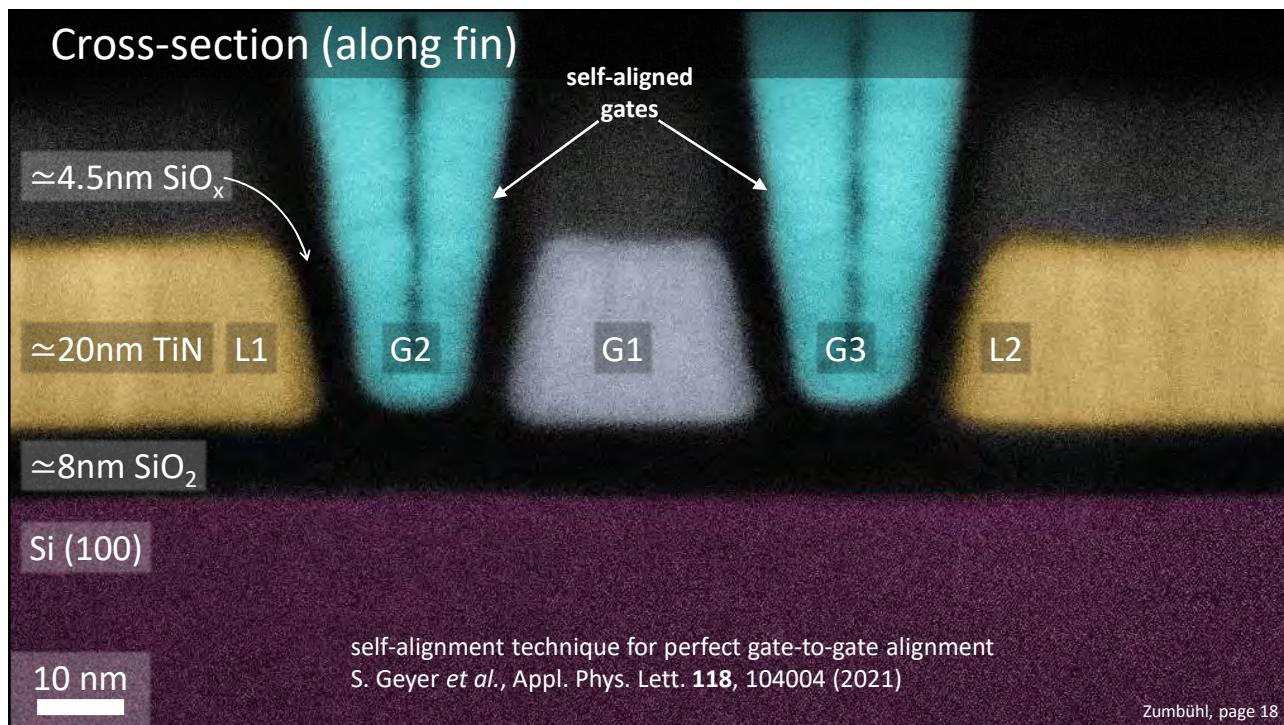
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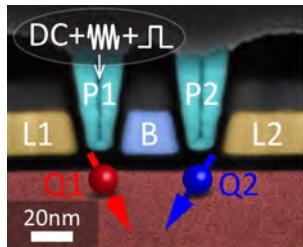


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IBM Binnig Rohrer Nanotechnology Center (BRNC)

State-of-the-art mixed-use / exploratory clean room

- expertise in Si technology
- high quality devices
- fast and flexible processes



Close collaboration with team IBM
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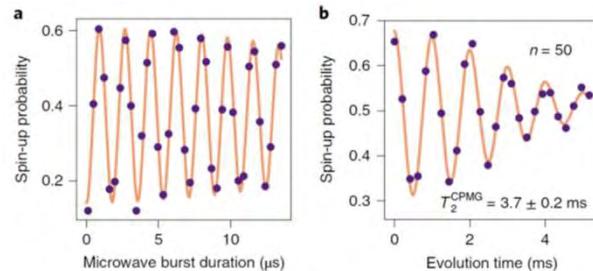
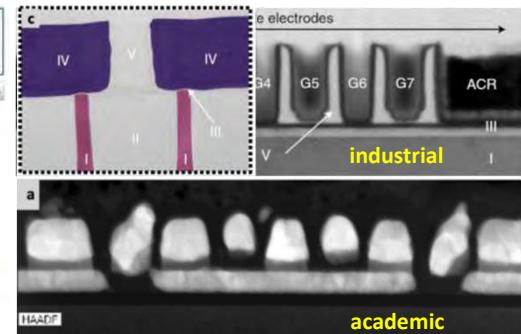
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Qubits made by advanced semiconductor manufacturing

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- gate length 50 nm
- large aspect ratio fins
- trenches filled with oxide
- electrons (vs holes)
- full industrial all-optical process 300 mm Intel micromagnets for spin manipulation

Nature Electronics 5, 184 (March 2022)

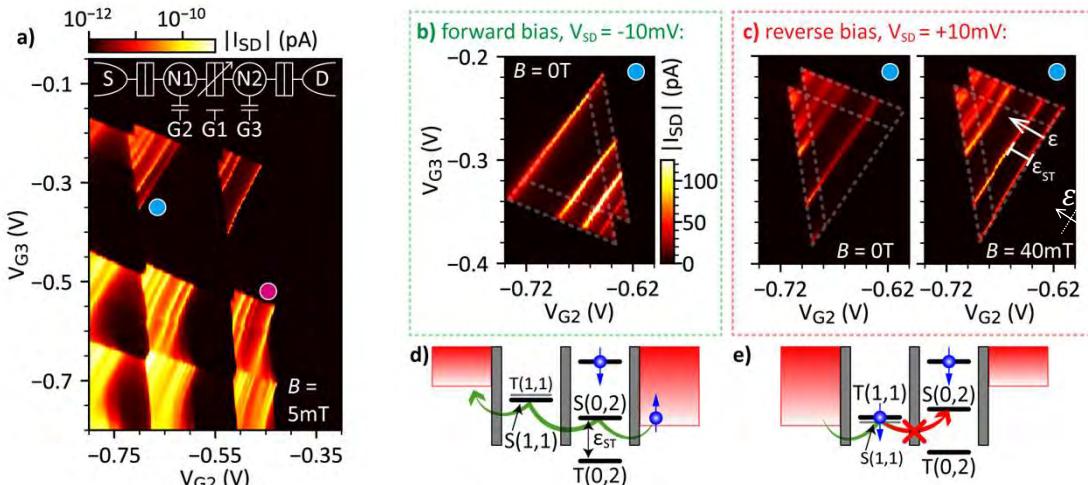


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Spin blockade readout

Double dot

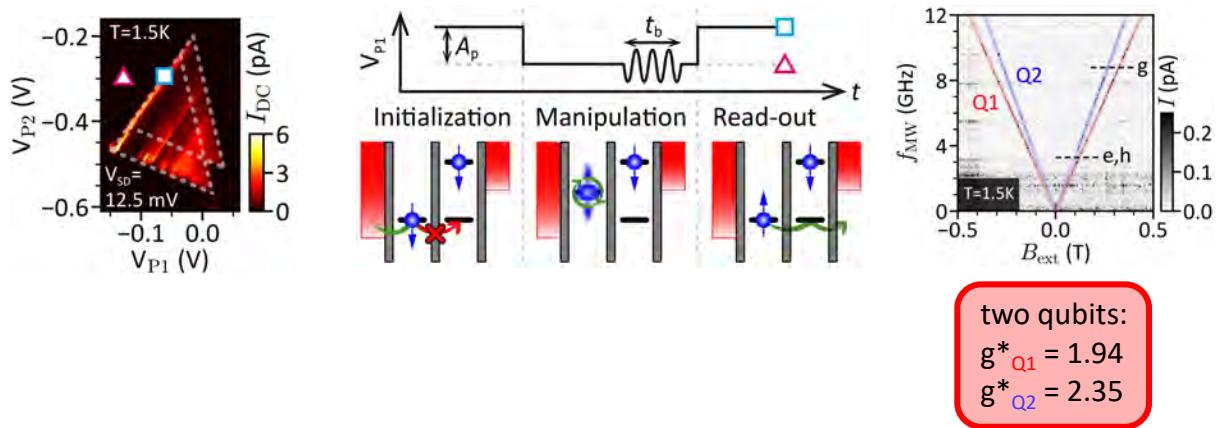


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Qubit operation scheme



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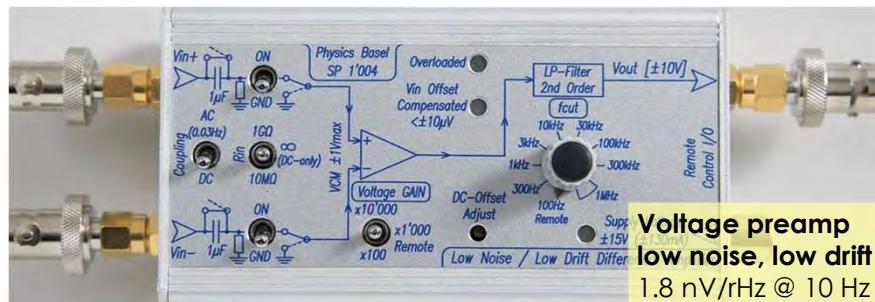
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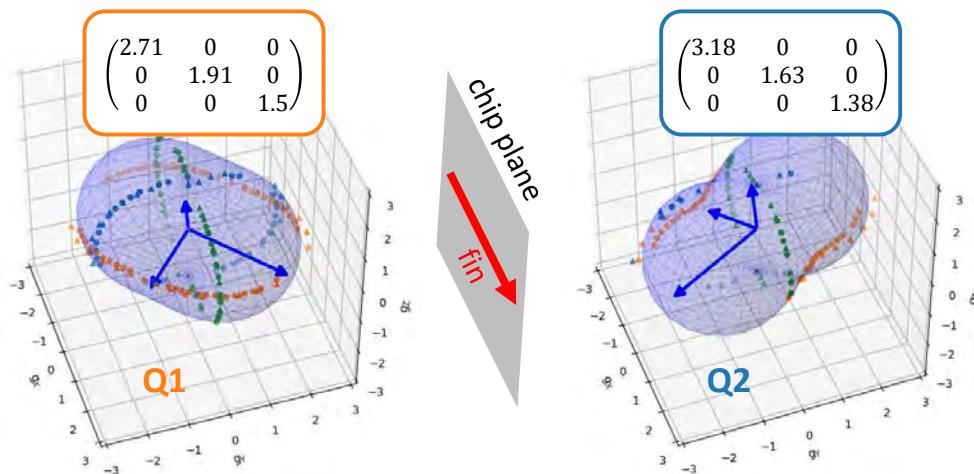


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12/24 DAC channels 24-bit resolution
1.2 μ V step-size < 0.3 μ V noise (100 Hz) ppm stability
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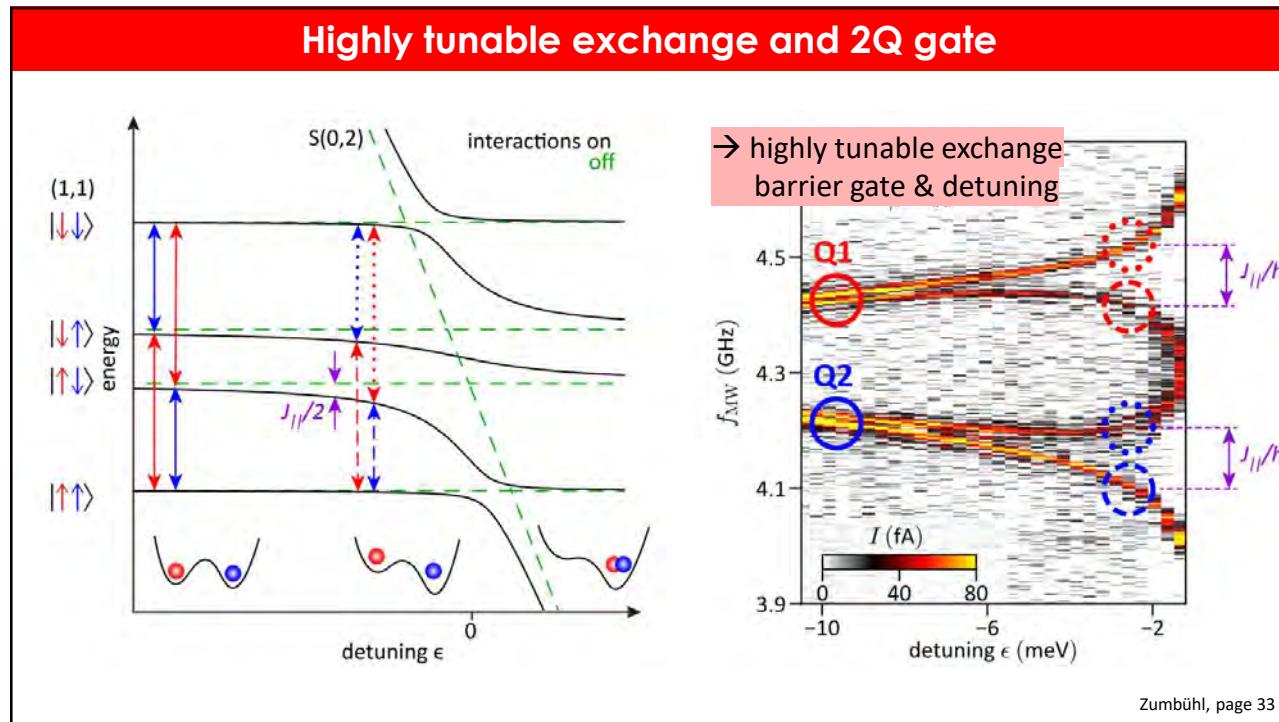
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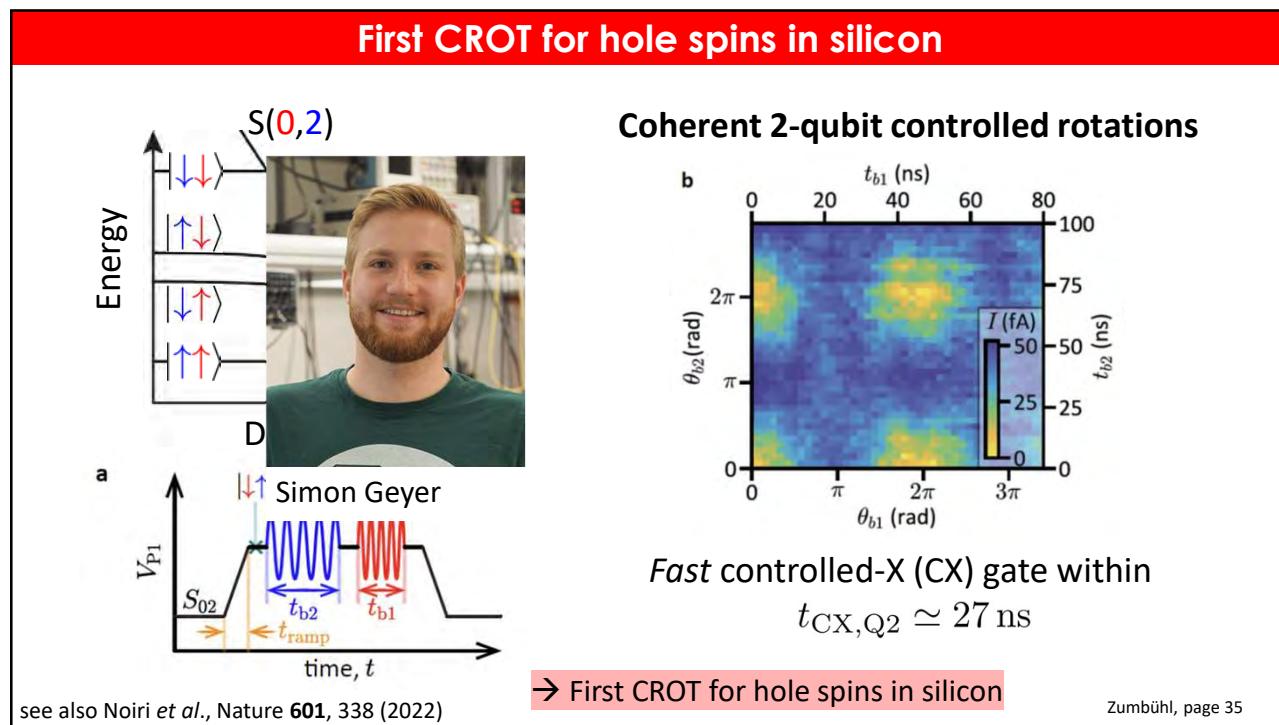


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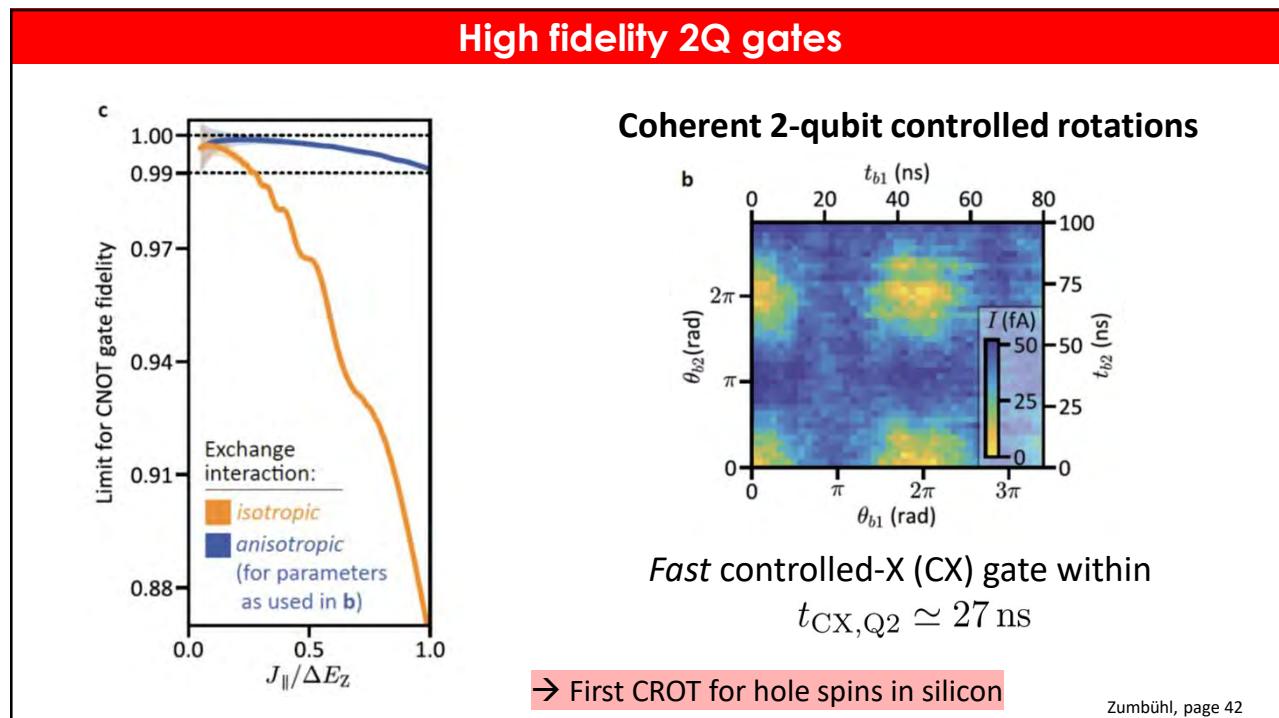
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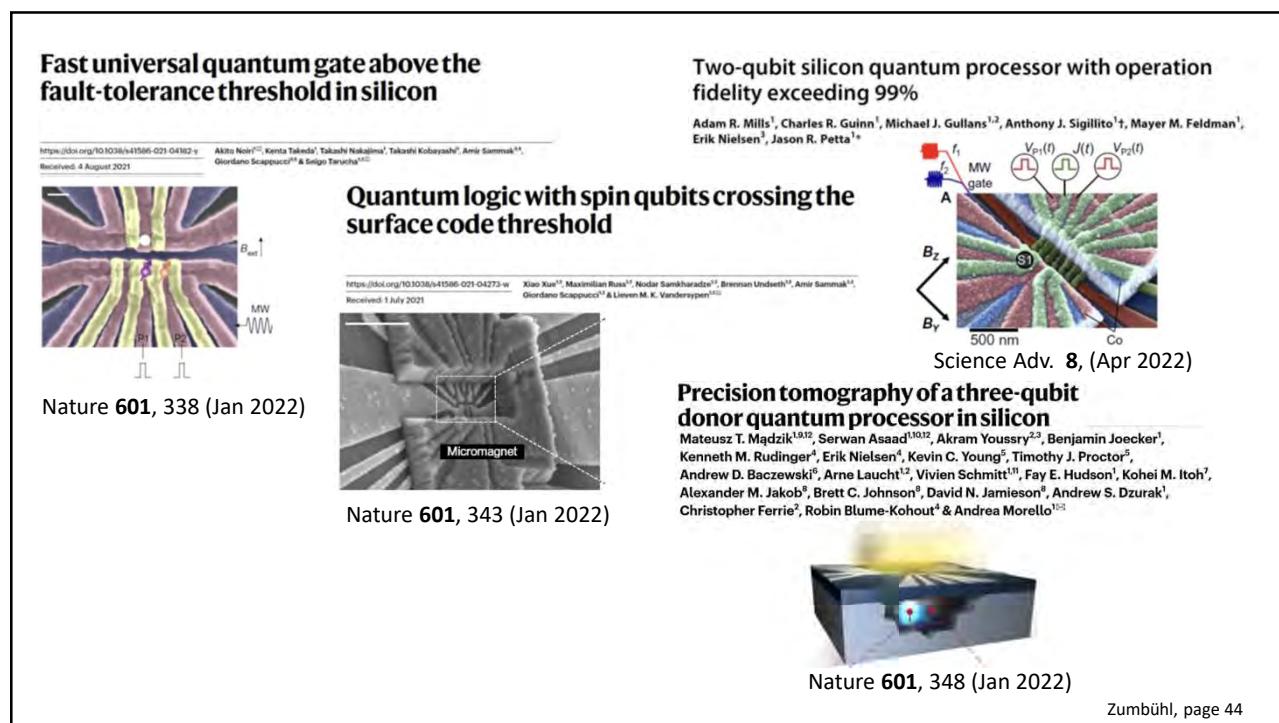
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Qubits with Machine Learning

Identifying Pauli spin blockade using deep learning

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Bridging the reality gap in quantum devices with physics-aware machine learning

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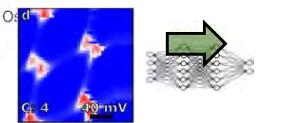
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SNI-News "Machine Learning at the Quantum Lab"

Natalia Ares, Oxford

Machine learning enables completely automatic tuning of a quantum device faster than human experts

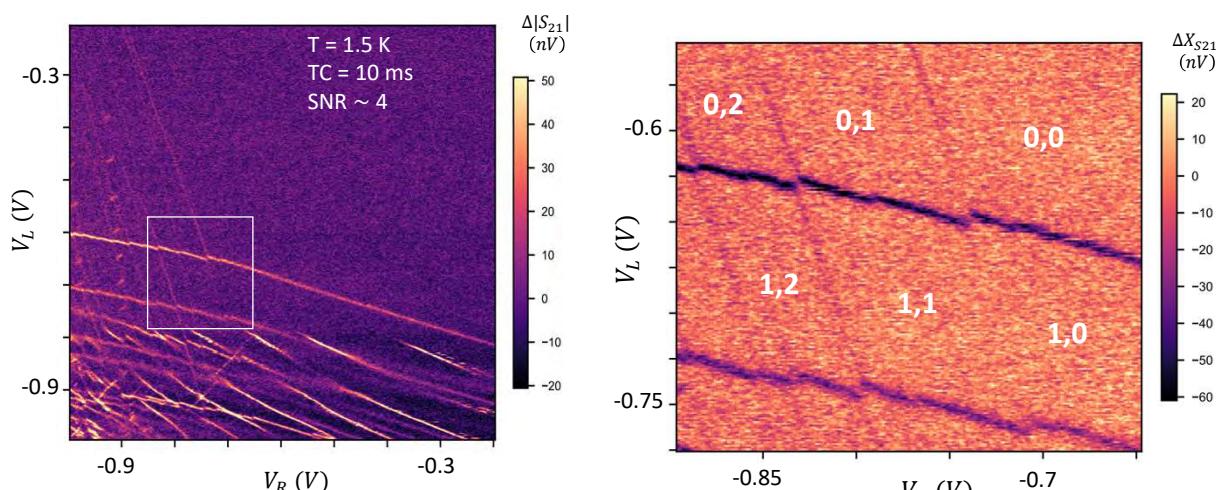
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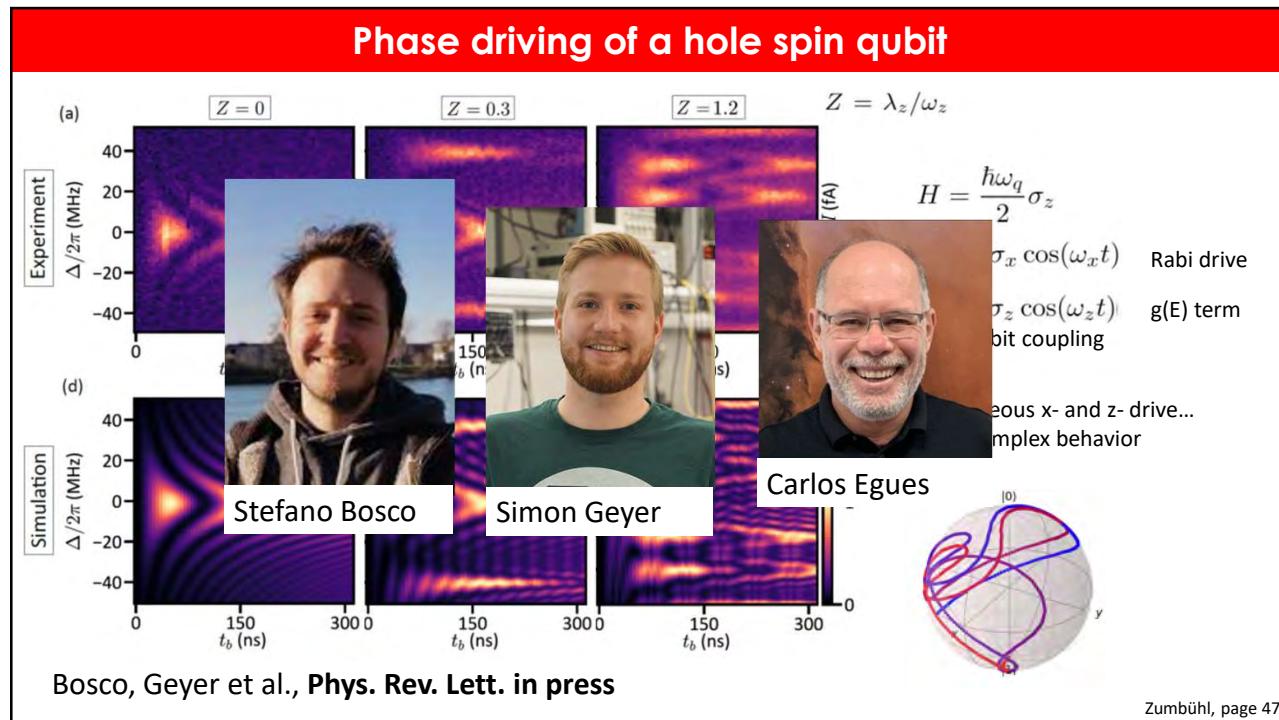
Single holes dots at 1.5 K



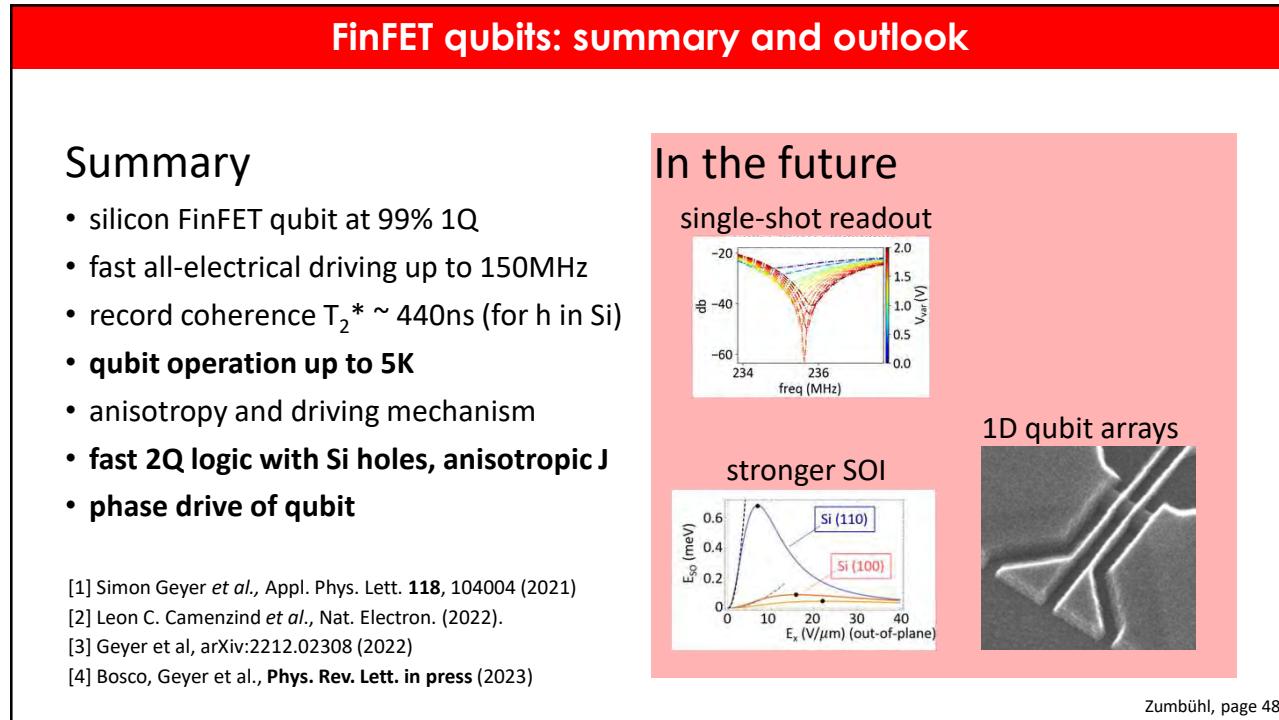
- Last hole regime:
 - Lead transitions continue without interruption
 - Change of slope
- No interdot transition visible in reflectometry:

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FinFET team at Uni Basel and IBM

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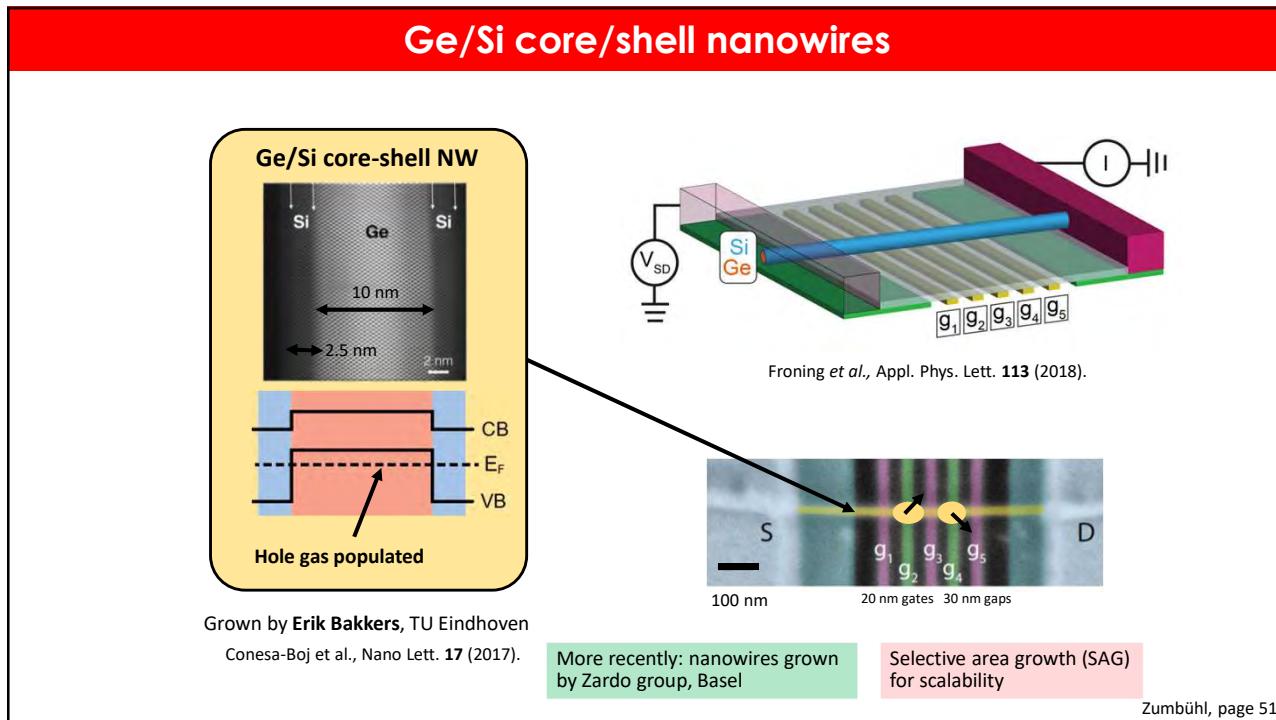
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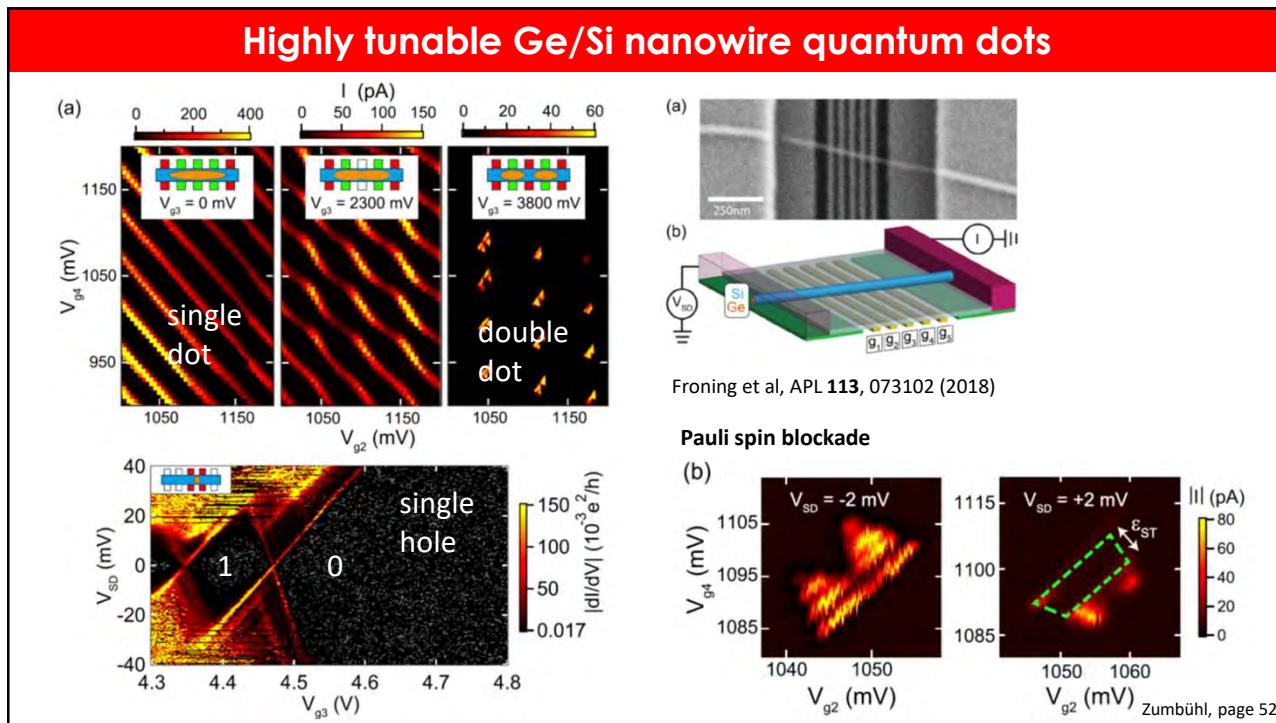
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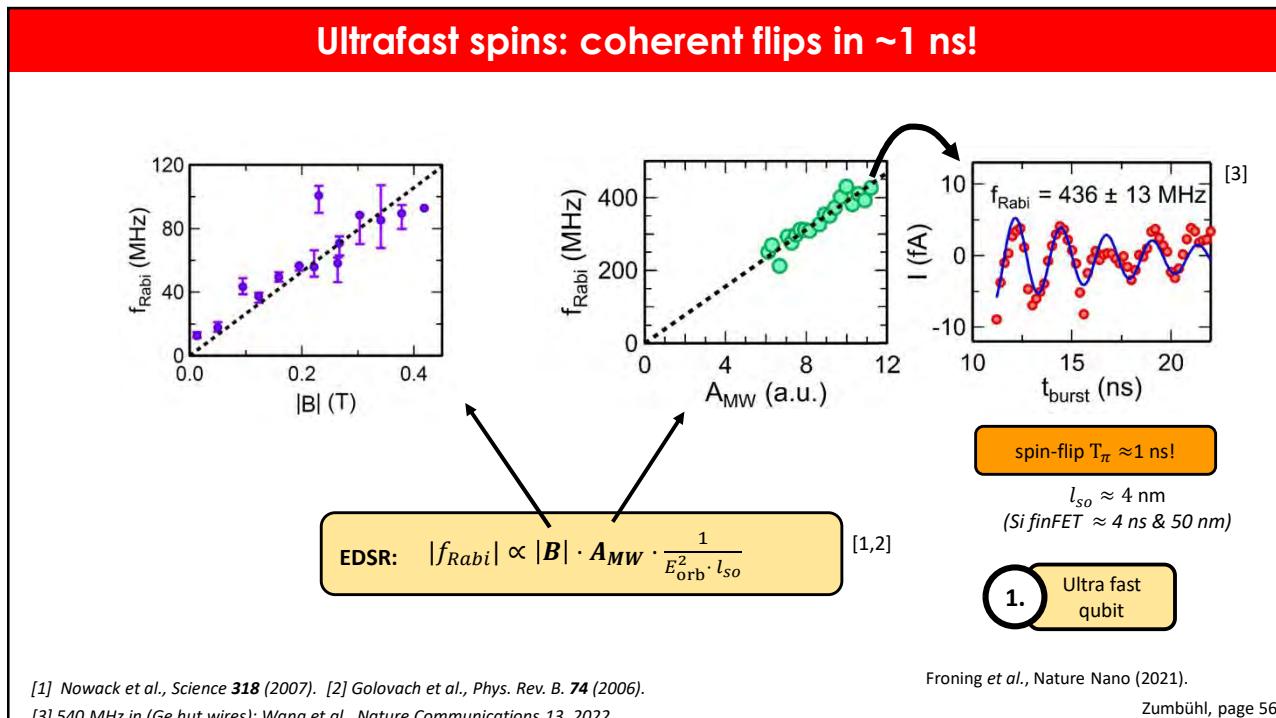
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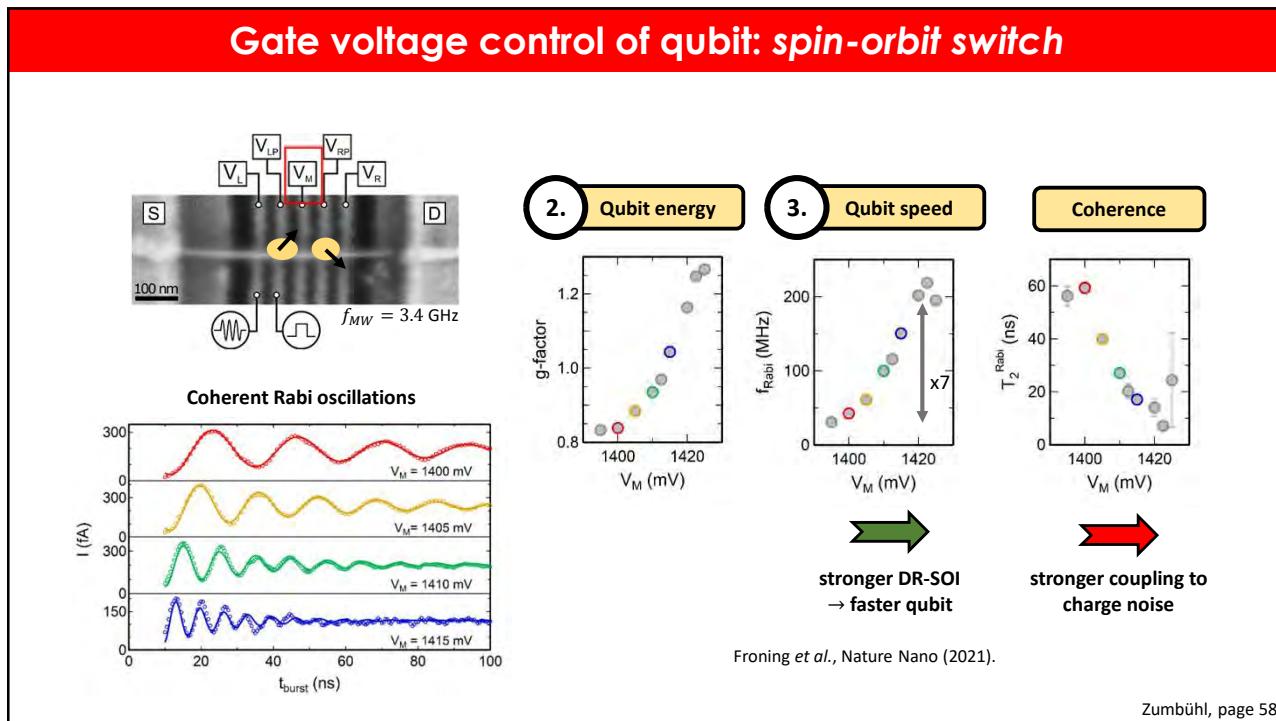
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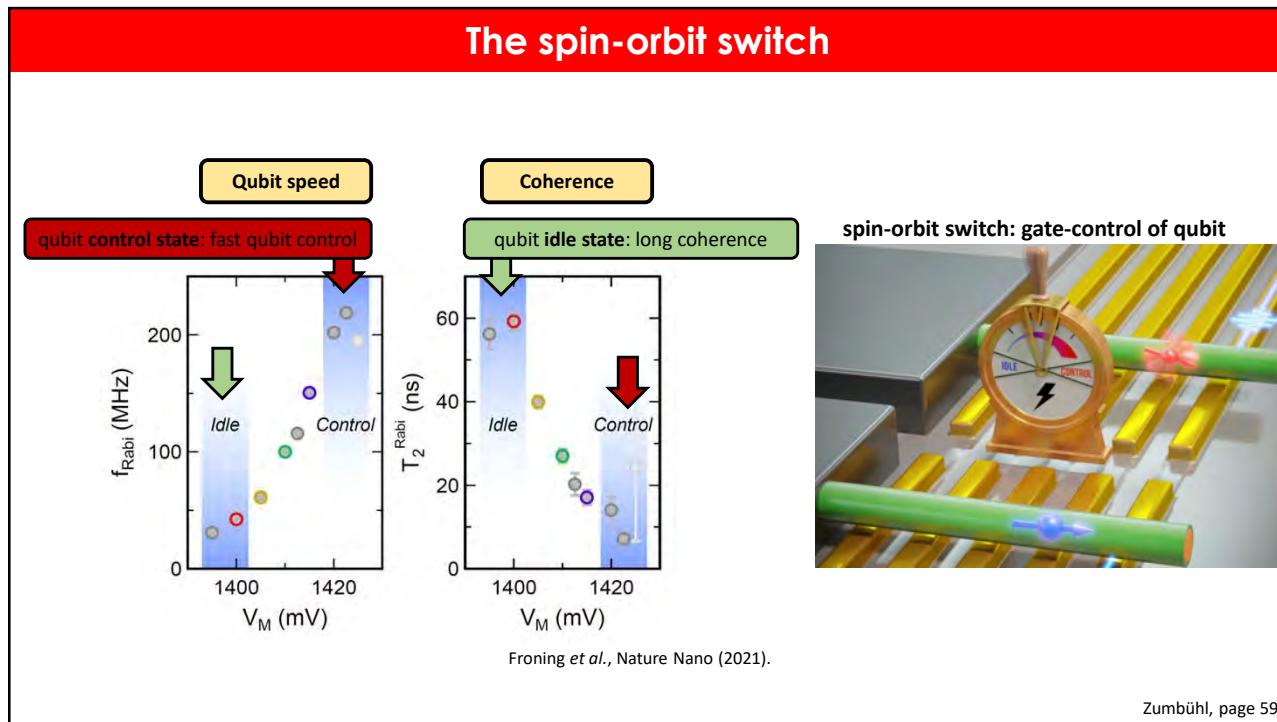
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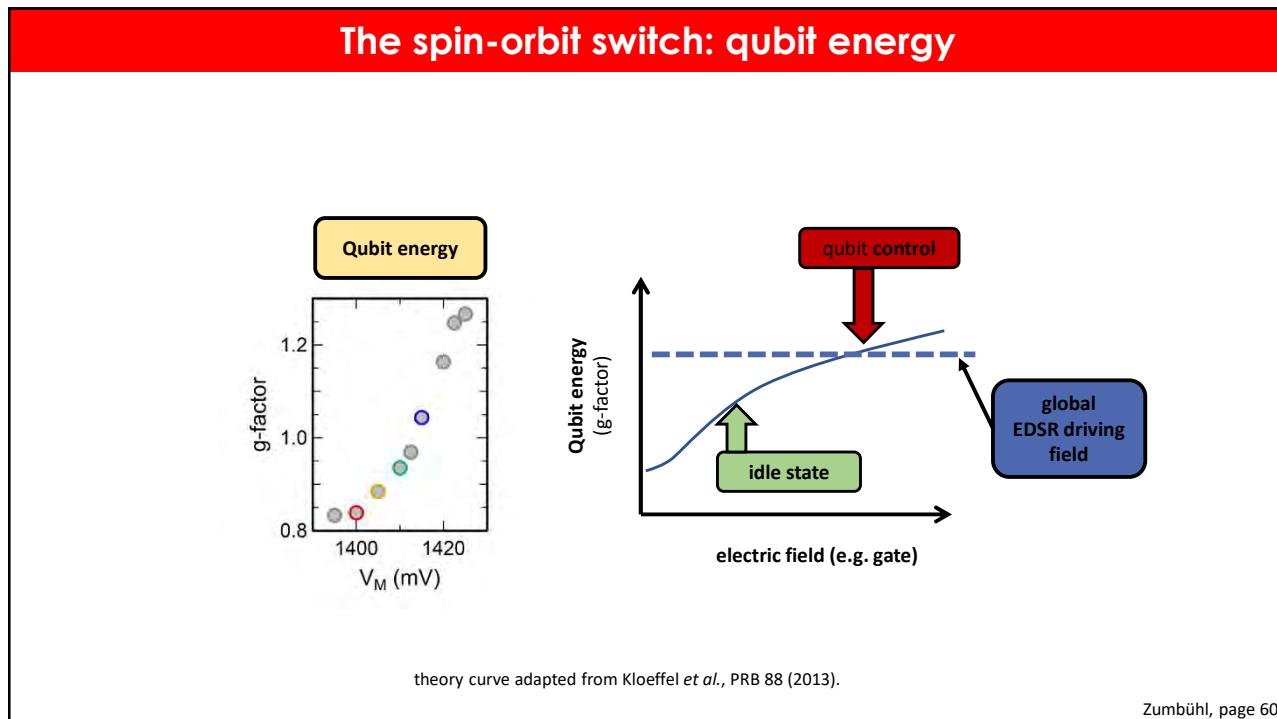
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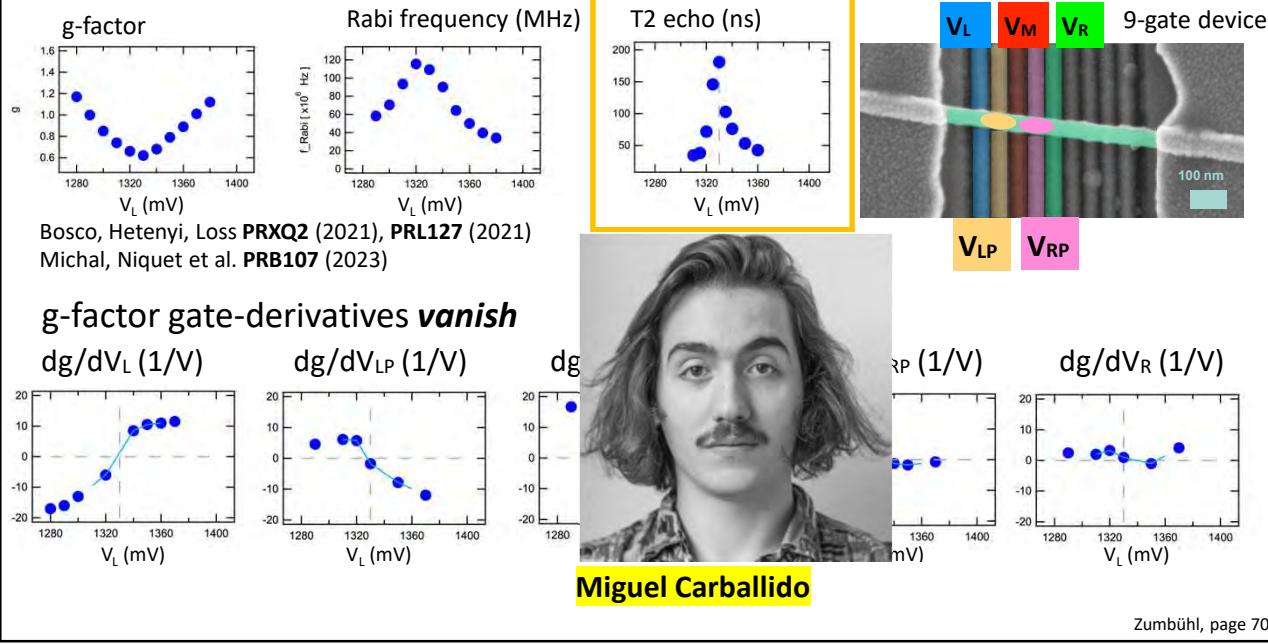


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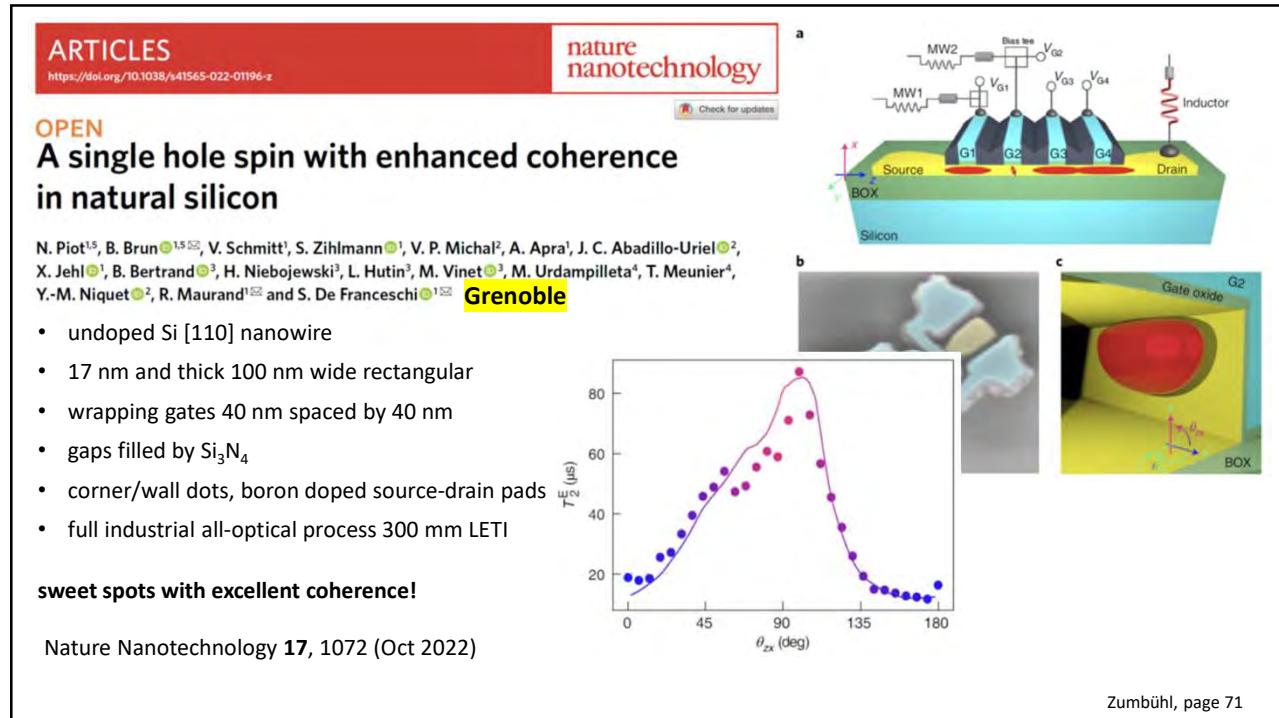


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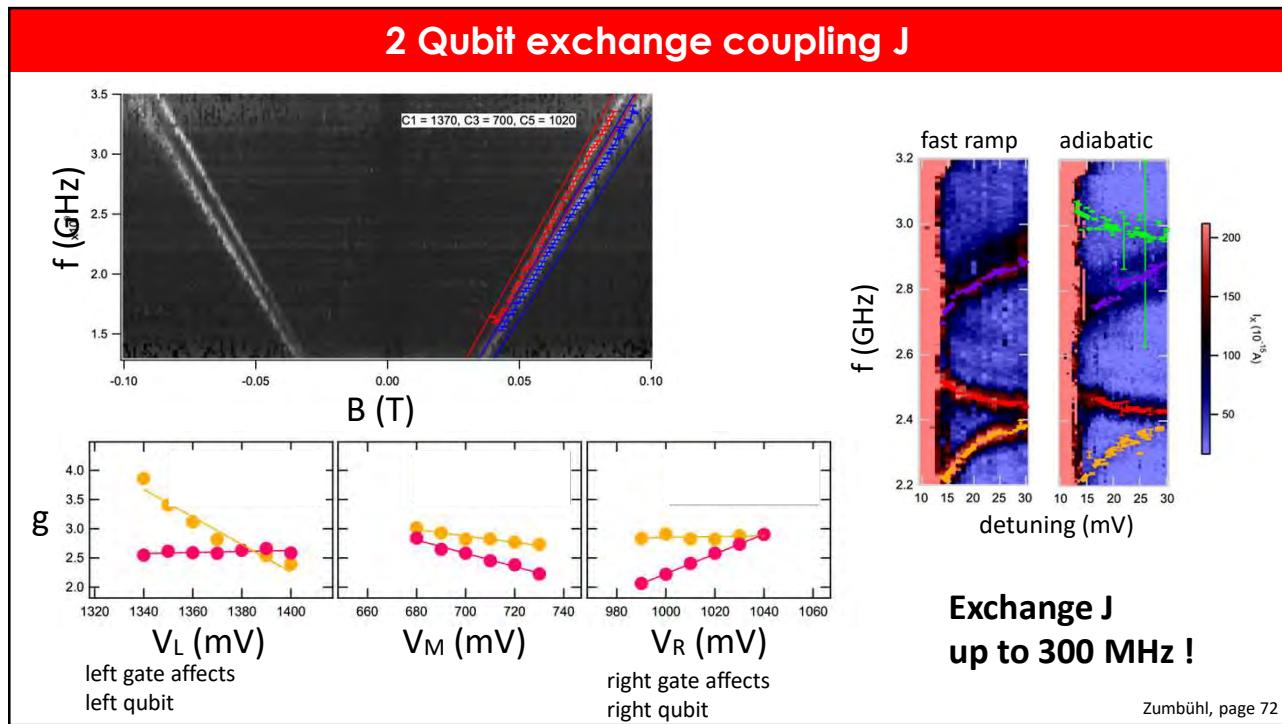
Double sweet-spot: maximizing qubit coherence and speed



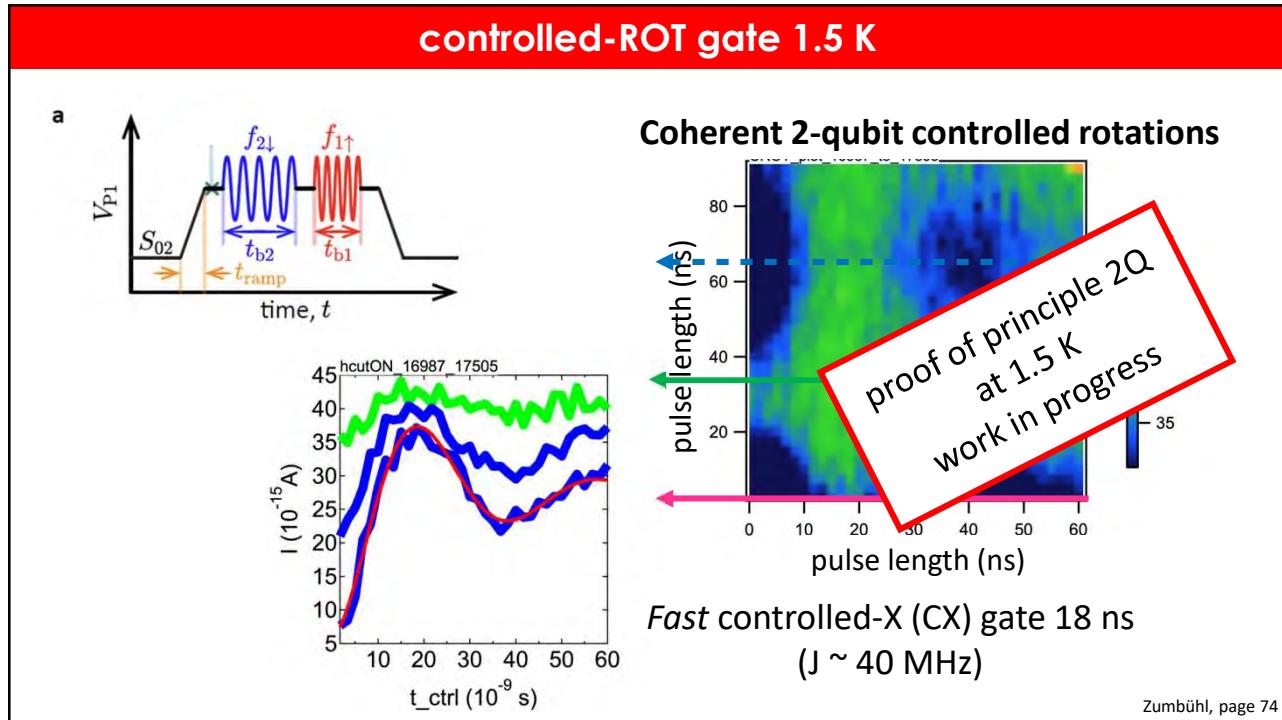
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SrTiO Varactors: Impedance matching at 15 mK

The circuit diagram shows an RF input port (RF_{in}) connected to a low-noise amplifier. The output of the amplifier is connected to a varactor diode (V_{var}) and a shunt network consisting of a resistor (R_D) and a capacitor (C_D). The varactor is also connected in parallel with a series inductor (L) and a bias voltage source (V_{P2}). A current source (I_{SD}) is connected to the drain terminal of the varactor. The drain voltage (V_{SD}) is measured across the current source. The gate voltage (V_{var}) is applied to the varactor. The probe voltage (V_{P1}) is measured across the shunt network. The probe current (I_{probe}) is measured through the series inductor (L). The bias voltages (V_{B1} , V_{B2} , V_{B3}) are applied to the nanowire. A scanning electron micrograph (SEM) image shows the Ge/Si core/shell nanowire quantum dot device with a scale bar of 200 nm. A photograph of the experimental setup shows the GaAs substrate and STO layer. A zoomed-in view of the device area shows the 300 μm scale.

Ge/Si core/shell nanowire quantum dot device^[1,2]

Eggli, Svab et al., arXiv:2303.02933 (Mar 6, 2023)

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SrTiO Varactors: Impedance matching at 15 mK

The circuit diagram is identical to the one above. Below it is a portrait of Rafael Eggli.

$|S_{21}|$ (dB) vs f_{probe} (MHz) and V_{var} (V). The top plot shows the magnitude of the transmission coefficient $|S_{21}|$ at 15 mK, with a minimum around 7 V. The bottom plot shows the phase θ (°) versus V_{var} (V) and f_{probe} (MHz).

Perfect impedance matching:

- moderate V_{var}
- only 1 varactor

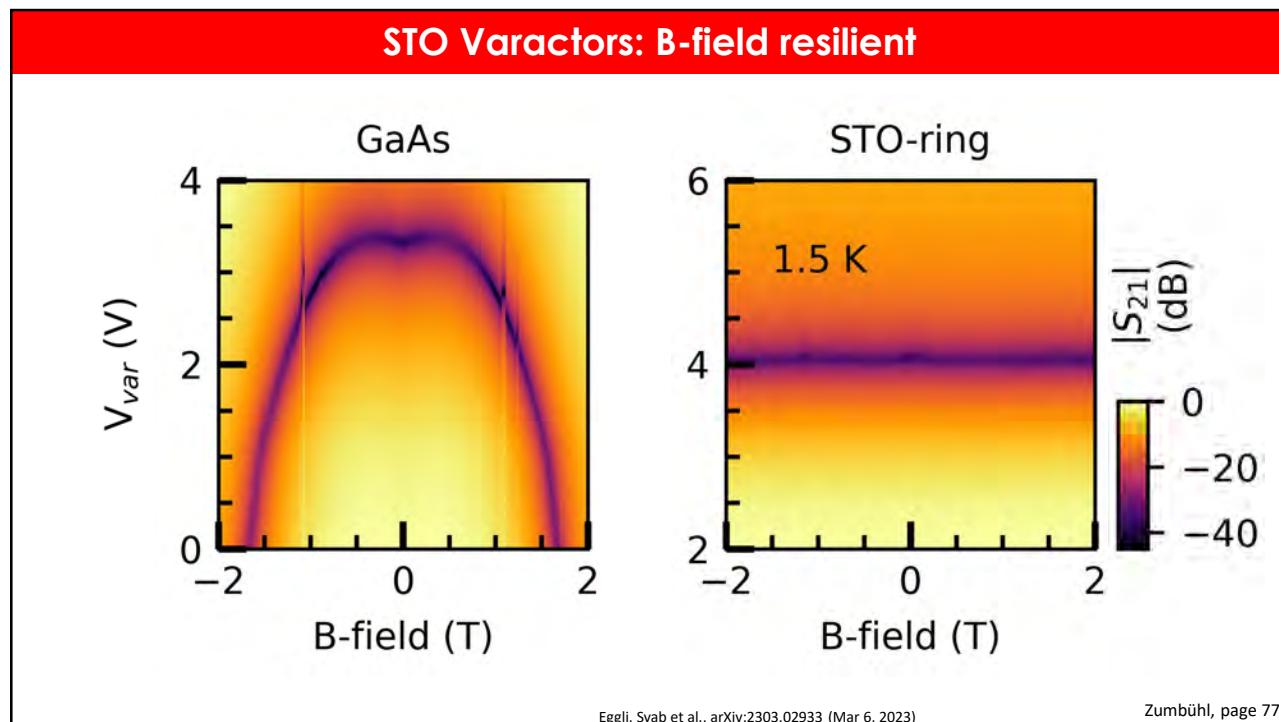
ΔS_{21} (dBm) vs f_{probe} (MHz) for various probe temperatures (T_{probe}): 4338, 2871, 1130, 838, 126, and 11 mK. The plot shows a sharp resonance peak at approximately 345 MHz for all temperatures, with the depth of the dip increasing as the probe temperature decreases.

Highly resilient to temperature-changes

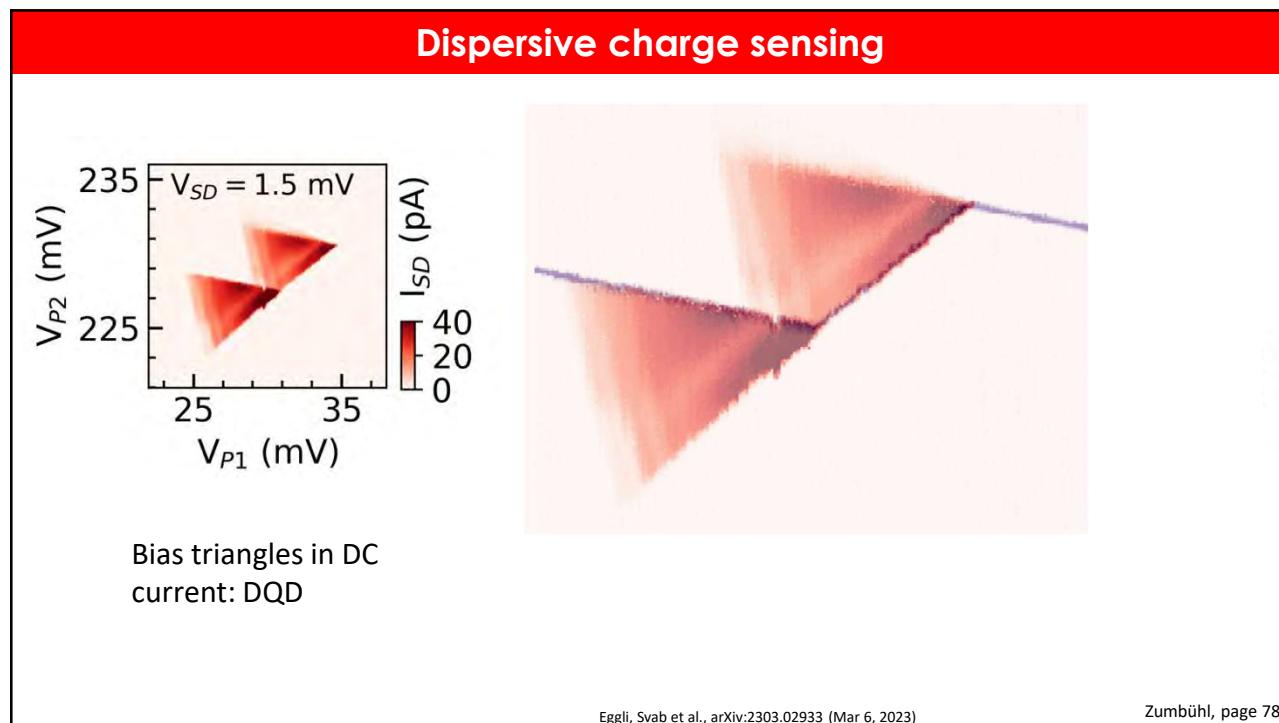
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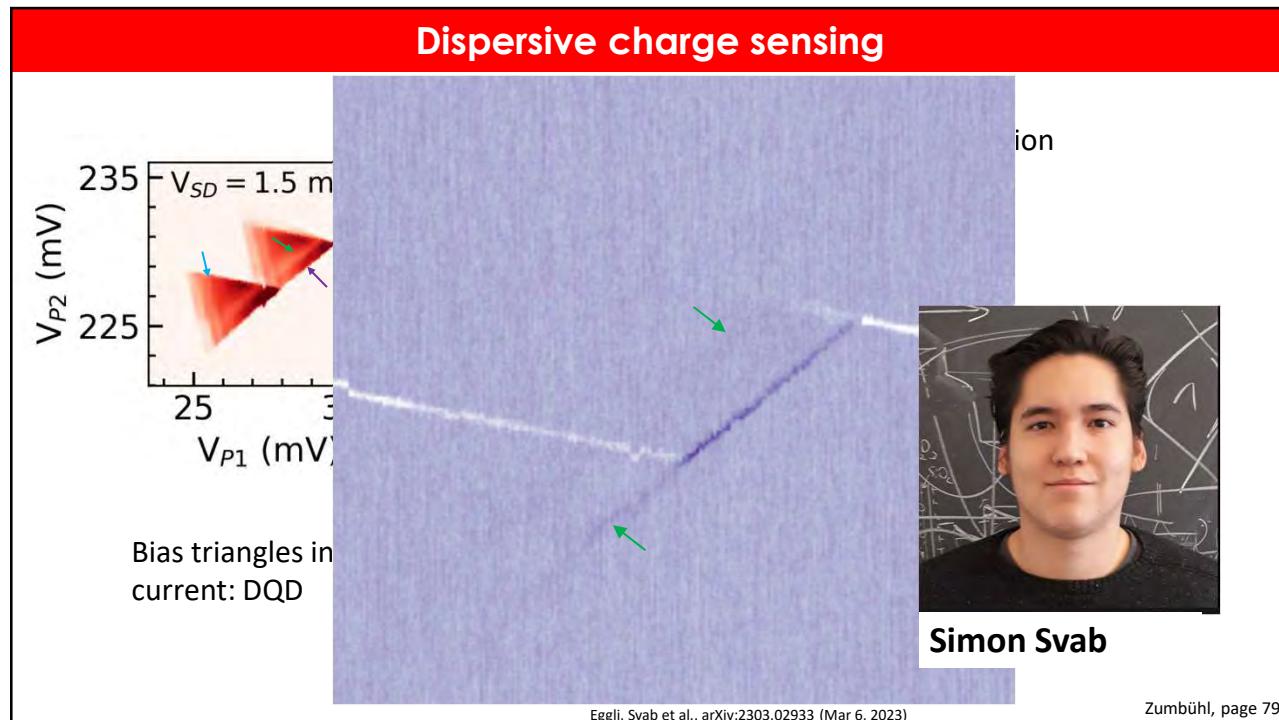
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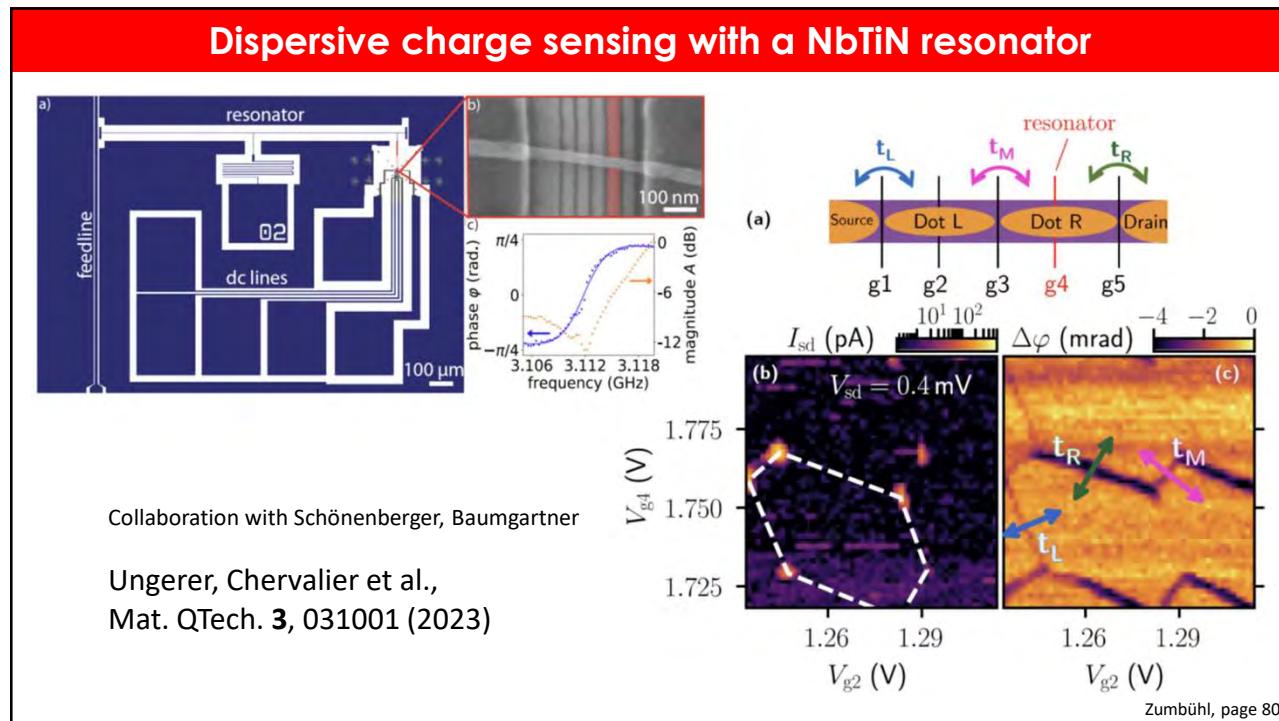
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The Ge/Si nanowire team

Ge/Si core-shell nanowire Team



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open positions: PhD student and Postdoc!
New wire growth: Ilaria Zardo (Basel)

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Ge/Si nanowire qubit conclusions

- Ge/Si core/shell nanowire qubits operating at 1.5 K
- Dominant source of decoherence: Ge/Si nanowire / shell... (not ALD oxide)
- Gate-voltage sweet spot
- Fast J-based CROT gate at 1.5 K
- STO varactors for dispersive readout
B-field resilient and operating at mK

Next steps

- Dispersive readout of a qubit device
- High-Z superconducting resonator coupling (Basel, EPFL and ETHZ)
- Improvement of nanowire growth: coherence and scaling

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Outlook on Ge/Si hole spin qubits

Improving coherence: wires & shells

New wires (Zardo Group)

Oxide, device quality

Charge sensing, resonator coupling

Left plunger (V)
right plunger (V)
SMC tank circuits

SQUID array resonator (w. Wallraff Group)

NbTiN resonator (w. Schönenberger Group)

More qubits, 2-Q gates RBM

9 gates / 4 dots

LC-tank RF RF RF

Automated tuning, control & optimisation

Device → QDs/ PSB → Qubit

Machine learning Ares Group, Oxford
Severin et al., arXiv:2107.12975 (2021).

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