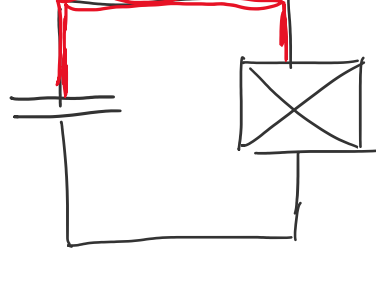
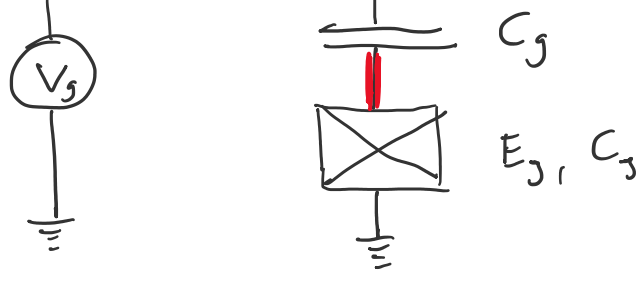
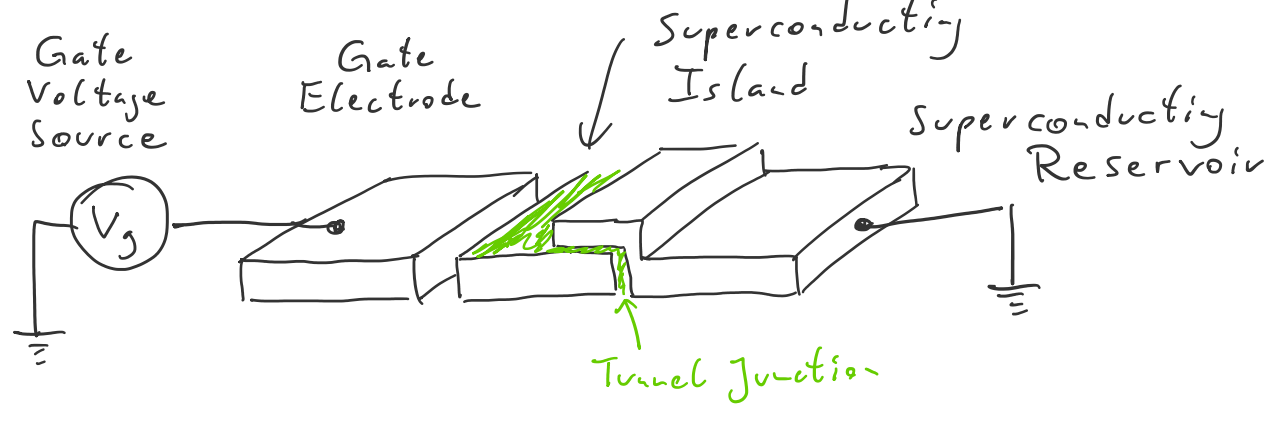


16.8 Cooper Pair Box (CPB) (late 90's)

- charge qubit: charge degree of freedom is used for coupling and interaction
- CPB consists of a superconducting island into which Cooper pairs may tunnel via a Josephson junction



Hamiltonian

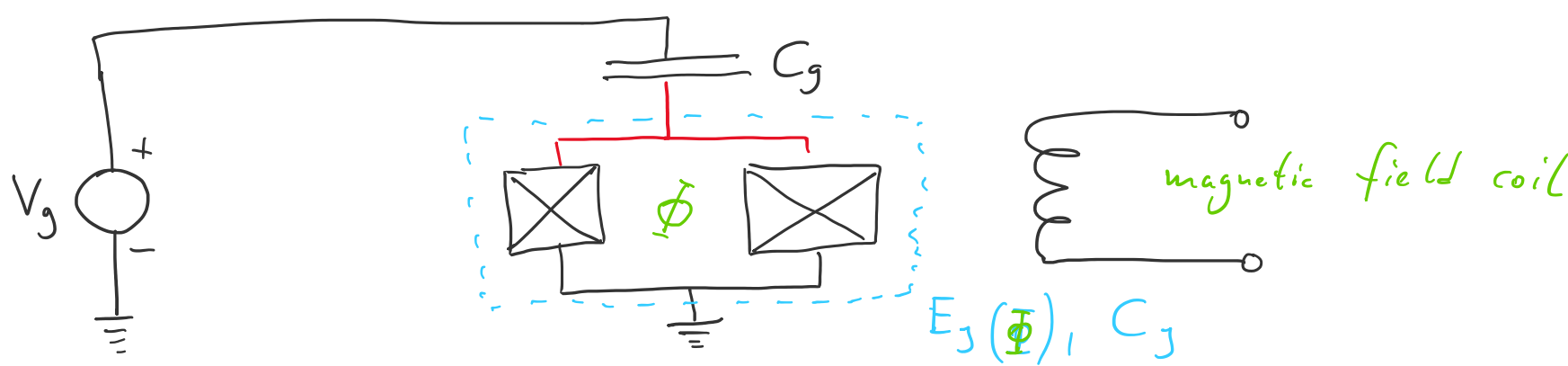
$$H = \underbrace{\frac{(Q_I - C_g V_g)^2}{2 C_\Sigma}}_{\text{capacitive / charging energy}} - \underbrace{E_J \cos \phi}_{\text{Josephson inductive energy}} \quad C_\Sigma = C_g + C_j$$

ϕ : phase across the junction
 Q_I : charge of the island

- with charging energy scale $E_c = \frac{e^2}{2 C_\Sigma}$
 number of Cooper pairs $n = Q_I / 2e$ $n_g = \frac{C_g V_g}{2e}$

$$H = 4 E_c (n - n_g)^2 - E_J \cos \phi$$

Split Junction - split Cooper Pair Box



- two parallel junctions replace the single junction
- this pair merely creates an effective single junction
- Josephson energy can be tuned in situ by applying a magnetic field

Quantization of Hamiltonian at the sweet spot

- quantize CPB circuit using the commutation relation $[n, \phi] = i$
- for dominating charging energy of the island $E_c \gg E_J$
 $\Rightarrow$ choice of basis states $\{|n\rangle\}$ number of Cooper pairs

a) charge basis

Eigenvalue problem:

$$\left[4 E_c (n - n_g)^2 - E_J \cos\left(2\pi \frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right) \right] \psi_n = E_n \psi_n$$

i) $\hat{n} |n\rangle = n |n\rangle \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}$

ii) $\hat{n} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} n |n\rangle \langle n| \quad \sum_n |n\rangle \langle n| = \mathbb{1}$
 $\leftarrow$ negative in respect to the offset

iii) $\cos\left(2\pi \frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(e^{i2\pi \phi / \phi_0} + e^{-i2\pi \phi / \phi_0} \right)$

$[\hat{n}, \phi] = i \quad [\hat{n}, e^{i\phi}] = e^{i\phi}$

$e^{-i2\pi \phi / \phi_0} |n\rangle = |n-1\rangle$

$$H = \sum_n 4 \tilde{E}_c (n - n_g)^2 |n\rangle \langle n| - \sum_n \frac{E_J}{2} \left[|n+1\rangle \langle n| + |n\rangle \langle n+1| \right]$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \langle -N | & \langle -N+1 | & \vdots & \langle N+1 | \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \tilde{E}_c (-N - n_g)^2 - \frac{\tilde{E}_J}{2} & 0 & \dots & \dots \\ -\frac{\tilde{E}_J}{2} & 4 \tilde{E}_c (-N+1 - n_g)^2 - \frac{\tilde{E}_J}{2} & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & -\frac{\tilde{E}_J}{2} & \ddots & \ddots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots \\ -\tilde{E}_J/2 & 4 \tilde{E}_c (N - n_g)^2 & \dots & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

b) phase basis

$\hat{\phi} |\varphi\rangle = \varphi |\varphi\rangle$

$\hat{n} = -i \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi}$

$H = 4 \tilde{E}_c \left(-\frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} - n_g \right)^2 - E_J \cos(\varphi)$

boundary condition: $\psi_k(\varphi) = \psi_k(\varphi + 2\pi)$

transformation:

$\tilde{\psi}_k = e^{-i n_g \varphi} \psi_k(\varphi)$

$\Rightarrow H \tilde{\psi}_k = -4 \tilde{E}_c \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \varphi^2} \tilde{\psi}_k(\varphi) - E_J \cos(\varphi) \tilde{\psi}_k(\varphi)$

Bloch - theorem: The energy eigenstates of a particle in a periodic potential are Bloch waves

$\psi_{nk}(r) = e^{ikr} u(r)$
 $\uparrow$ plane wave $\leftarrow$ periodic fct with same periodicity as potential

$\psi_{nk}(\varphi) = e^{ik\varphi} u(\varphi)$
 $\checkmark u(\varphi) = u(\varphi + 2\pi) = \cos(\varphi)$

Ansatz: $\tilde{\psi}_k(\varphi) = e^{ik\varphi} u(\varphi)$

$= e^{-i n_g \varphi} u(\varphi)$

$\hookrightarrow u(\varphi) = \psi(\varphi)$

Fourier Ansatz:

$$\tilde{\psi}_{m, n_g}(\varphi) = e^{-i n_g \varphi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} c_{m, l} e^{i l \varphi} \quad l \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} c_{m, l} e^{i (l - n_g) \varphi}$$

l has an integer value (spectrum) to satisfy periodicity (2π)

$-4 \tilde{E}_c \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \varphi^2} \left(e^{-i n_g \varphi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} c_{m, l} e^{i l \varphi} \right) -$

$\frac{E_J}{2} (e^{i\varphi} + e^{-i\varphi}) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i (l - n_g) \varphi} \right) = E_{m, n_g} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i (l - n_g) \varphi} c_{m, l}$

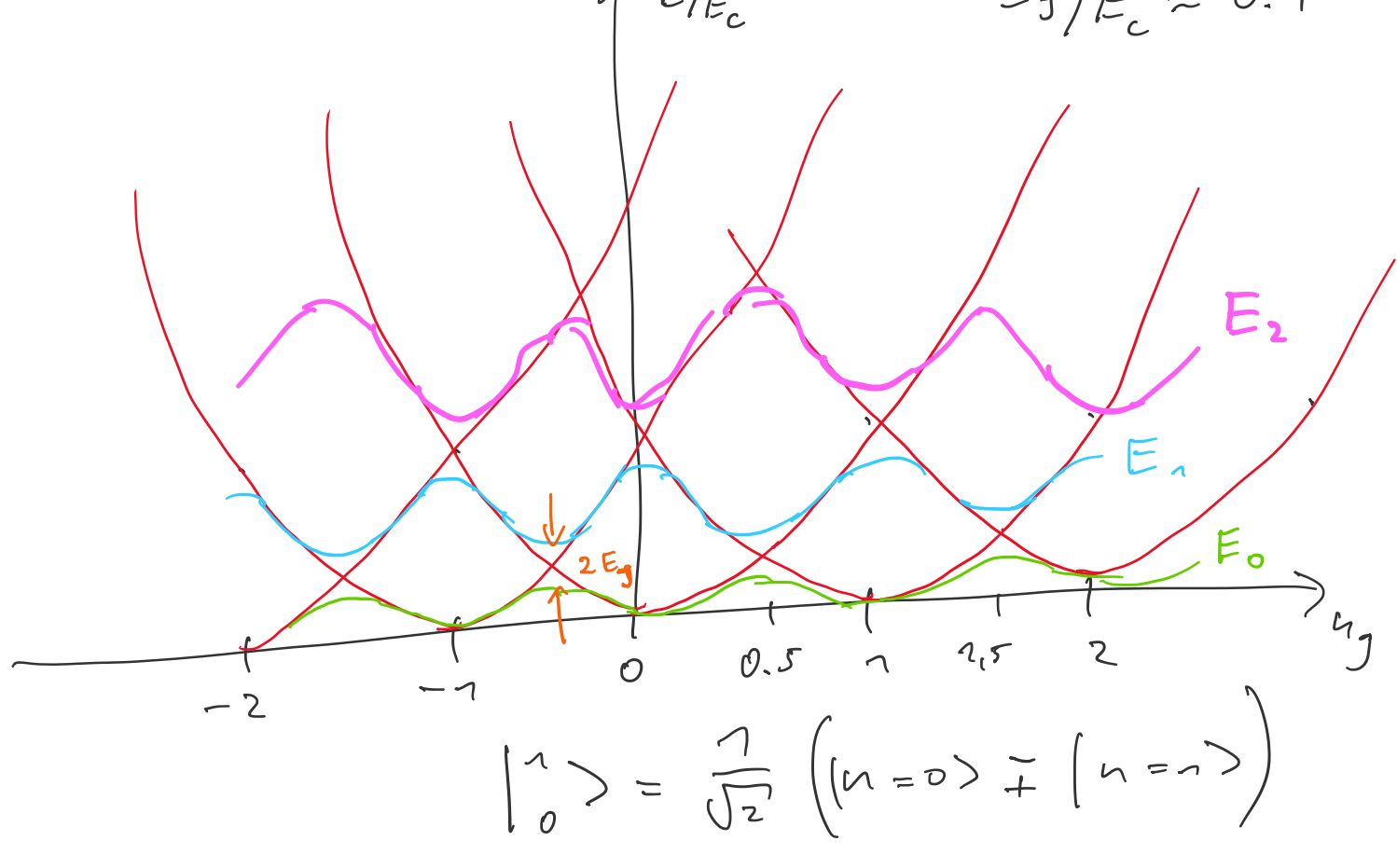
$\sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} 4 \tilde{E}_c (l - n_g)^2 c_{m, l} - \frac{E_J}{2} c_{m, l} (e^{i(l+1-n_g)\varphi} + e^{i(l-1-n_g)\varphi}) = E_{m, n_g} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i (l - n_g) \varphi} c_{m, l}$

Matrix representation:

$4 \tilde{E}_c (l - n_g)^2 c_{m, l} - \frac{E_J}{2} (c_{m, l+1} + c_{m, l-1}) - E_{m, n_g} c_{m, l} = 0$

$\tilde{H} - E \mathbb{1} = 0 \quad \text{basis: Fourier coefficients} \quad \tilde{c}_n = \begin{pmatrix} c_{m, \infty} \\ \vdots \\ c_{m, 0} \\ \vdots \\ c_{m, -\infty} \end{pmatrix}$

Band structure $E_m(n_g)$



$|1_0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|n=0\rangle + |n=-1\rangle)$

