

SNSPD & DRD5

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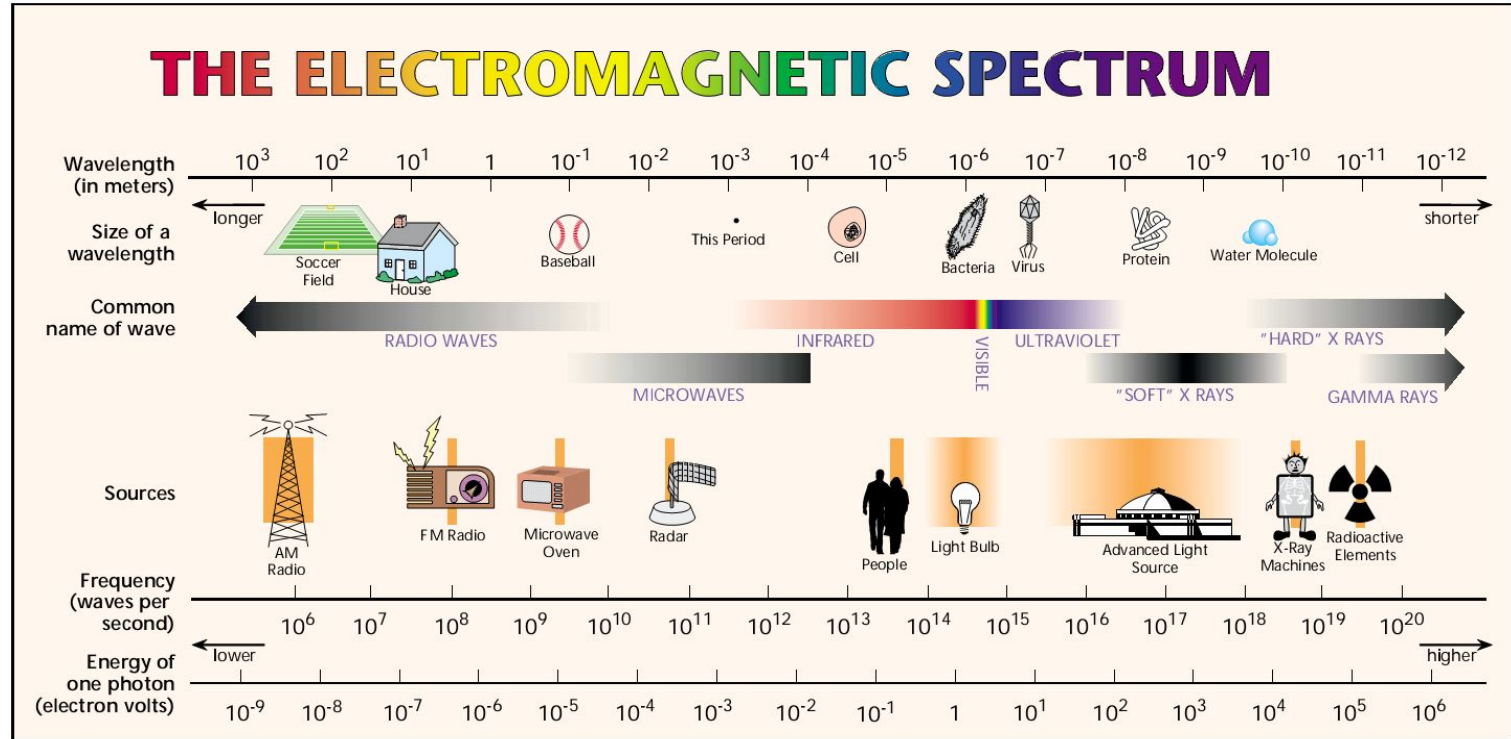
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Photon detection



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New quantum sensors

Typical HEP detectors

Rich spectrum of detectors for HEP

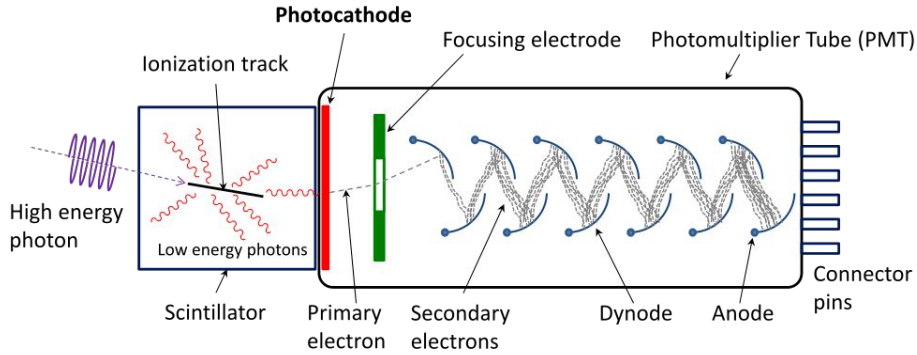


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Semiconductor Single Photon Detectors

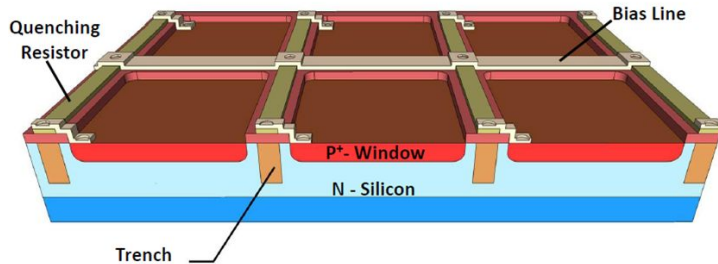
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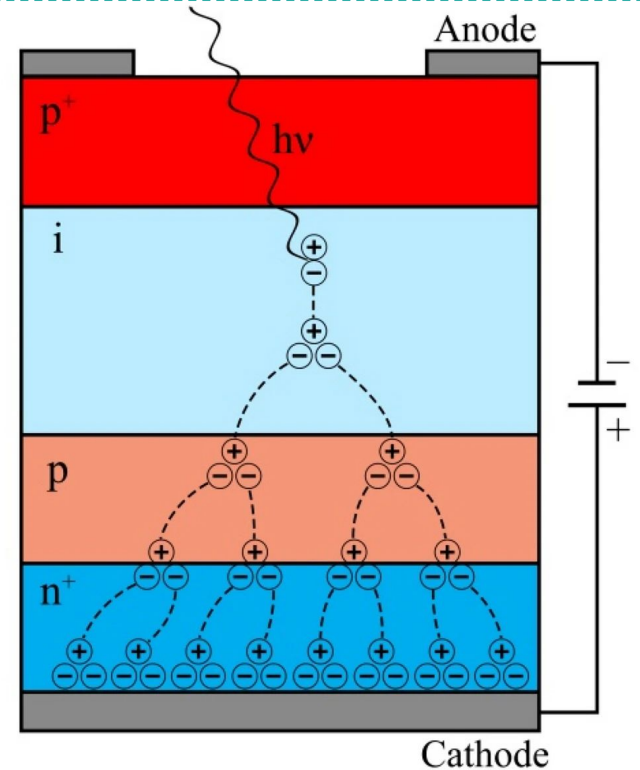
Silicon Photomultiplier (SiPM)

Section of KETEK SiPM Microcell



APPEC Communications

Single Photon Avalanche Diode (SPAD)



Izhnin, I.I., et al. Appl Nanosci 12, 253–263 (2022).

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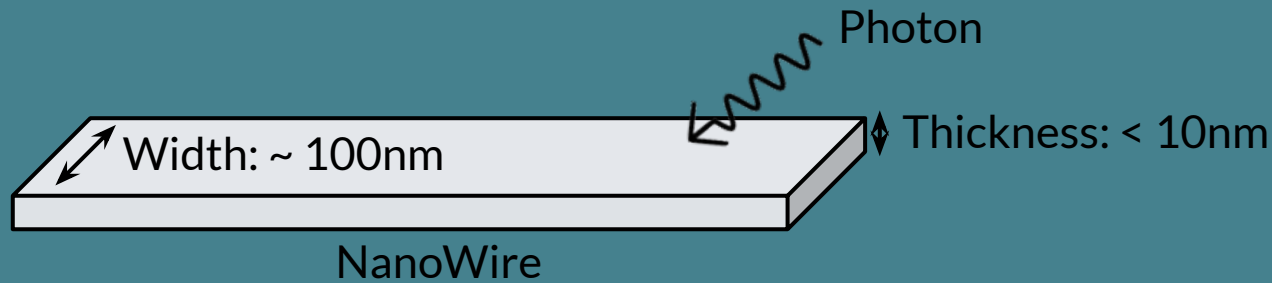
Single Photon Avalanche Diode (SPAD)

Bandgap Threshold

- Si: $\sim 1.1\text{eV}$ ($\sim 1.1\mu\text{m}$)
- Ge: $\sim 0.7\text{eV}$ ($\sim 1.7\mu\text{m}$)

Blocked impurity band solid-state photomultipliers.

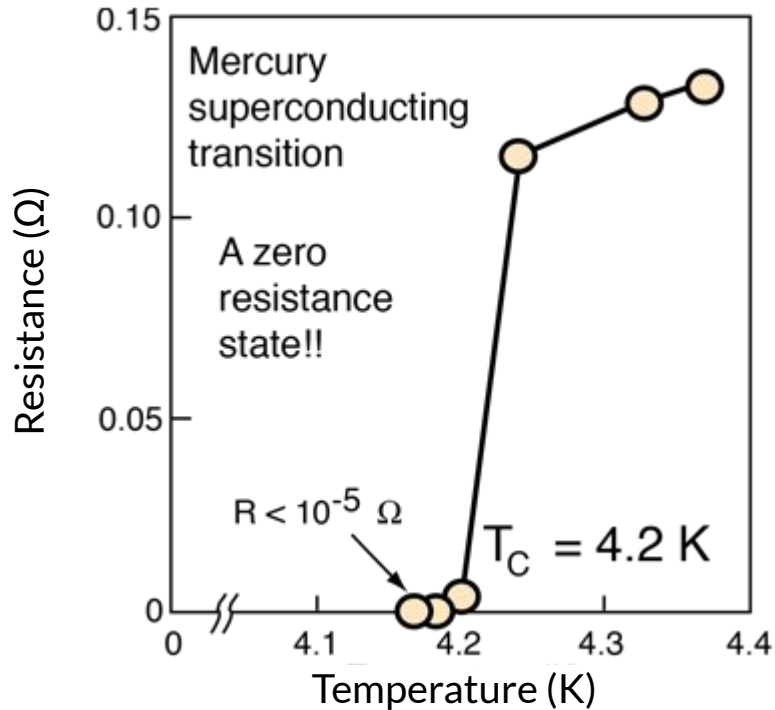
- Large Dark Current



Superconductivity Nanowire Single Photon Detector (SNSPD)

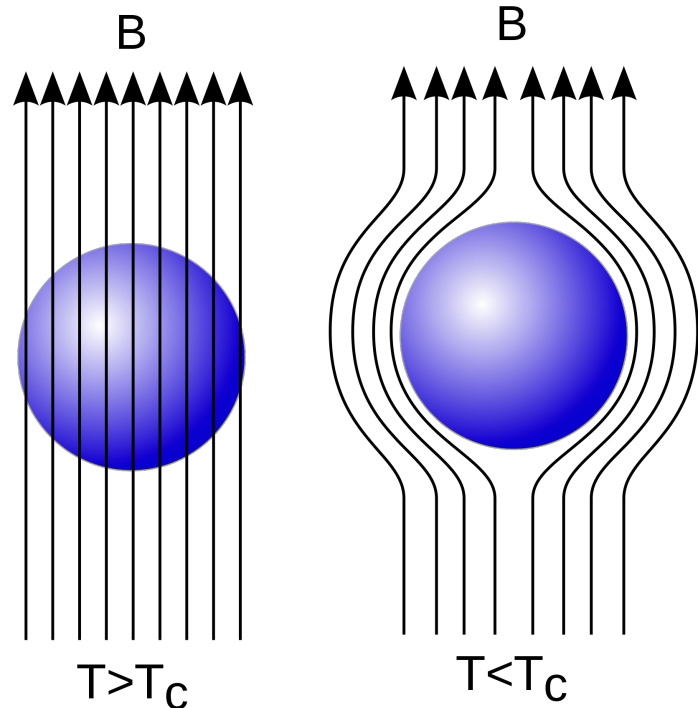
Superconductivity

Zero Resistance



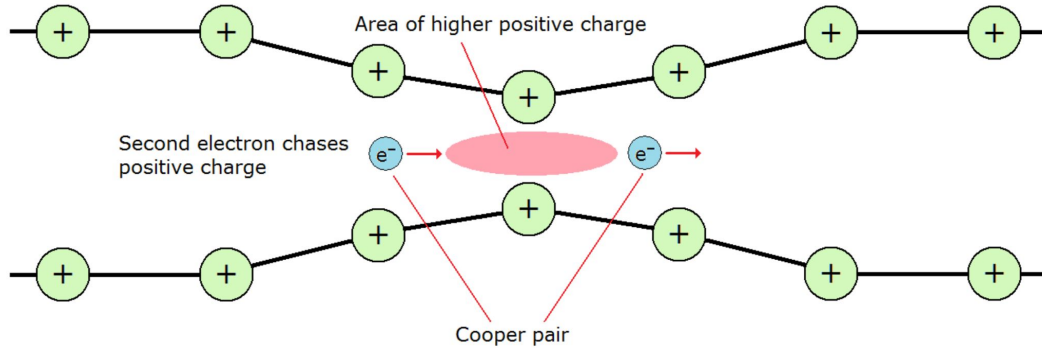
H. K. Onnes, Commun. Phys. Lab.12,120, (1911)

Meissner Effect Perfect diamagnetic (Superdiamagnetic)



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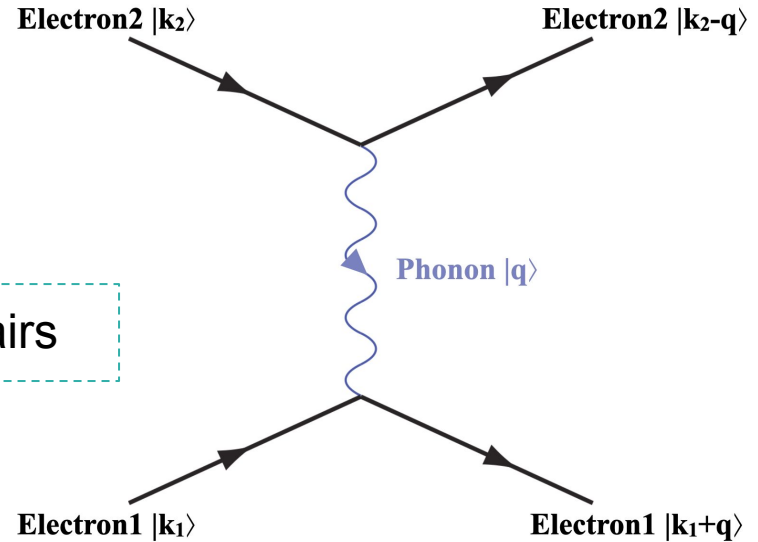
Cooper pairs (BCS mechanism)



V_{e-ph-e} (Attractive) > V_{e-e} (Repulsive) → Cooper-Pairs

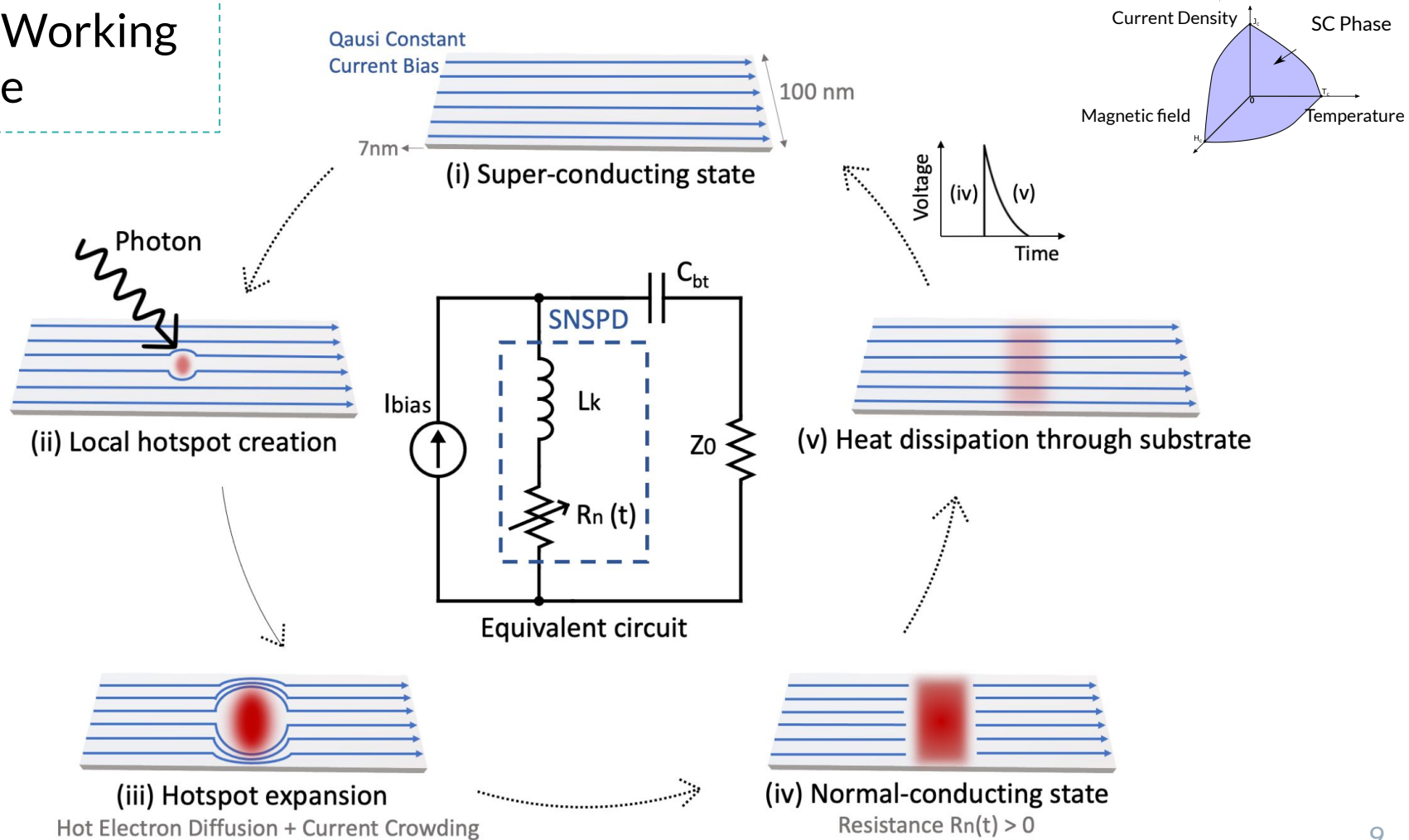
- Spin-0 composite particle (boson) → BEC Condensation
- Energy quantized → No random scattering → Zero Resistance
- Energy Gap Δ_{BEC} (~1meV) → 3 orders smaller than Δ_{Si} !

$$\hat{H} \left| \vec{k}_1 \pm \vec{q} \right\rangle = \epsilon_{k_1 \pm q} \left| \vec{k}_1 \pm \vec{q} \right\rangle$$



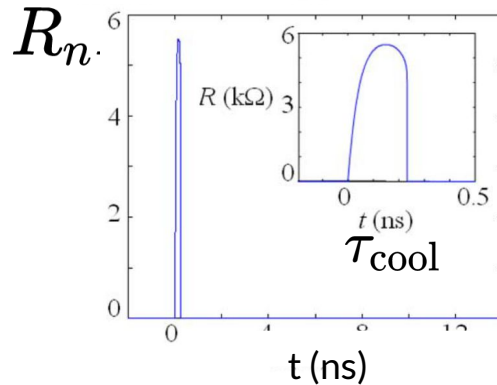
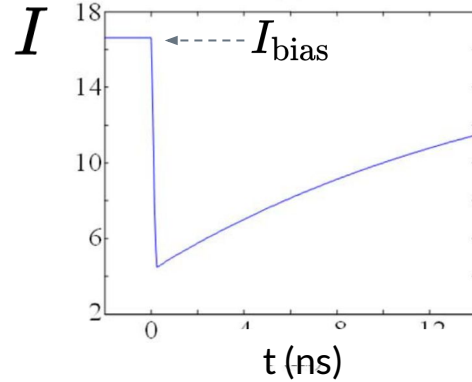
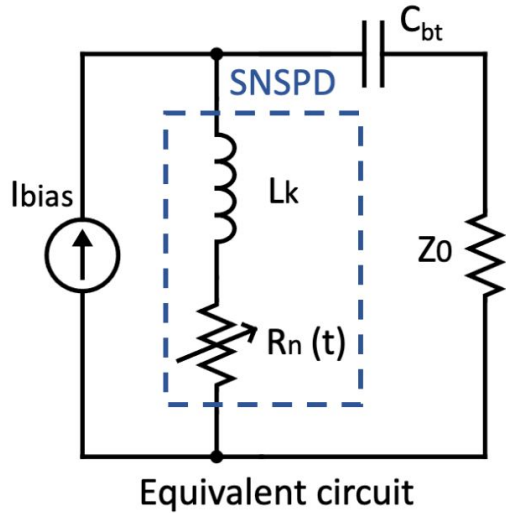
$$V = \frac{|M|^2}{(\epsilon_{\vec{k}} - \epsilon_{\vec{k}+\vec{q}})^2 - \hbar\omega_q^2}$$

SNSPD Working Principle

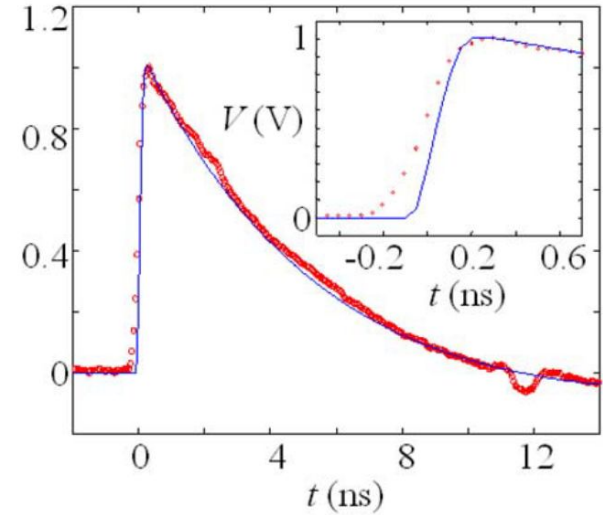


LCR Electric Circuit Model

Yang, J. K. W. et al. IEEE Transactions on Applied Superconductivity 17, 581–585 (2007)



Load(Z_0) Voltage



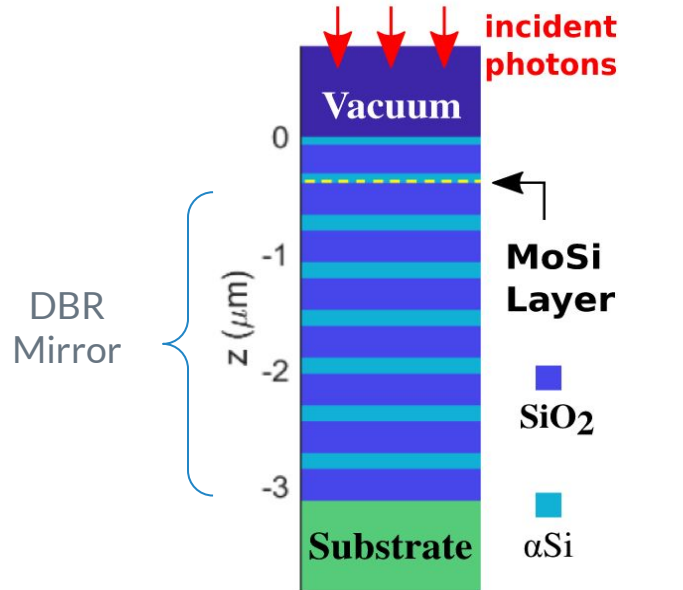
$$\tau_{\text{rise}} = \frac{L_k}{Z_0 + R_n(t)}$$

$$\tau_{\text{fall}} = \frac{L_k}{Z_0}$$

$$C_{bt} (L_k I'' + Z_0 I' + (R_n I)') = I_{\text{bias}} - I$$

State-of-the-art SNSPDs @ 1550nm

Reddy, D. V. et al. Optica 7, 1649 (2020).



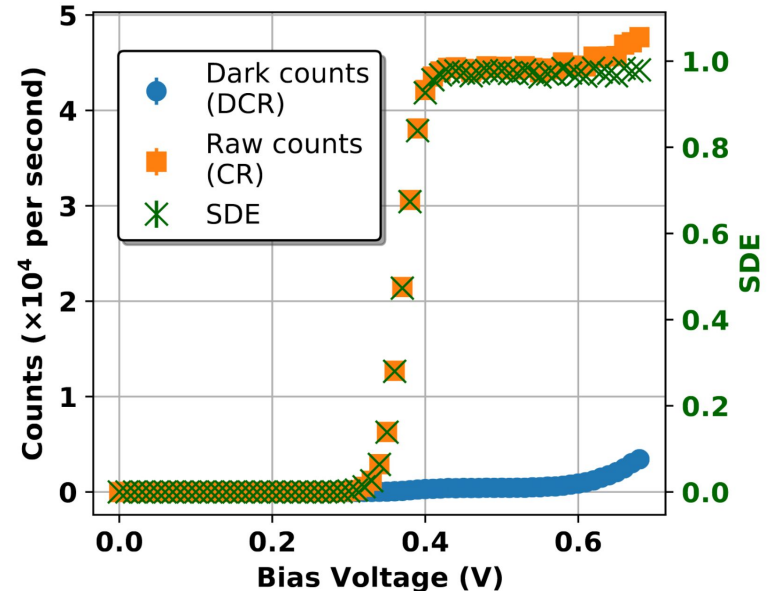
MoSi ($T_c \sim 5\text{K}$)

Width: 80nm, Pitch: 140nm

Distributed Bragg Reflector Mirror

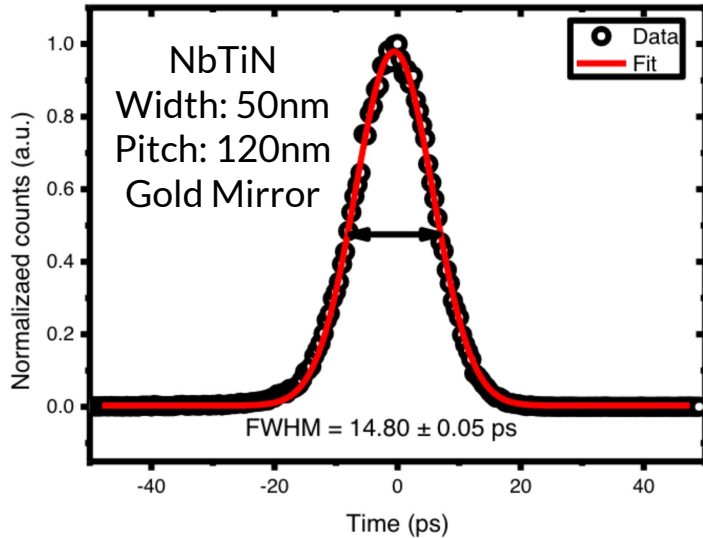
Measure Temperature $\sim 750\text{mK}$

98% System Detection Efficiency
High Count Rate
Low Dark Count Rate



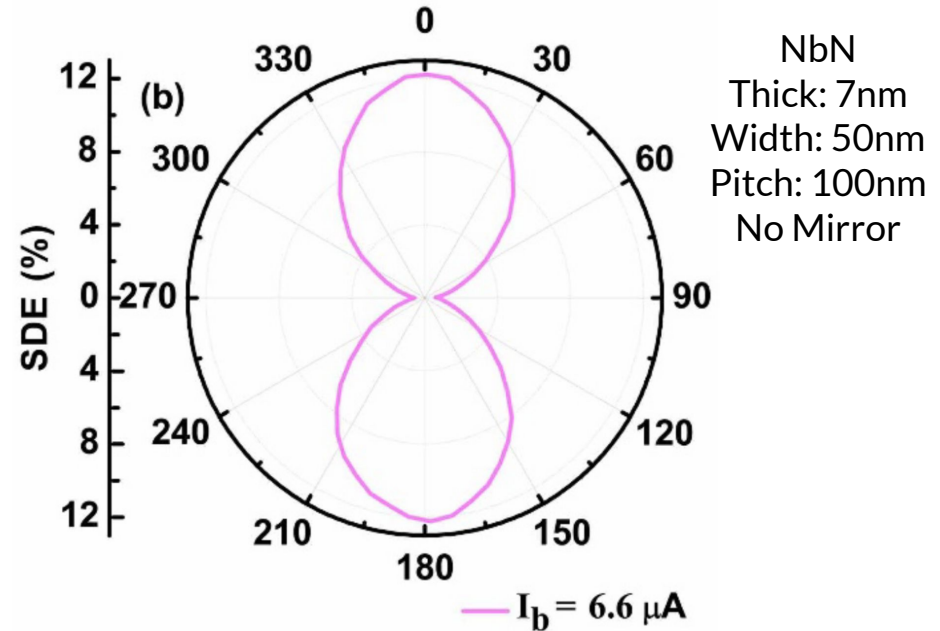
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Time Jitter < 15ps



Esmail Zadeh, I. et al. APL Photonics 2, 111301 (2017).

Polarization Sensitive



Guo, Q. et al. Sci Rep 5, 9616 (2015).

Our Roadmap

State-of-the-art

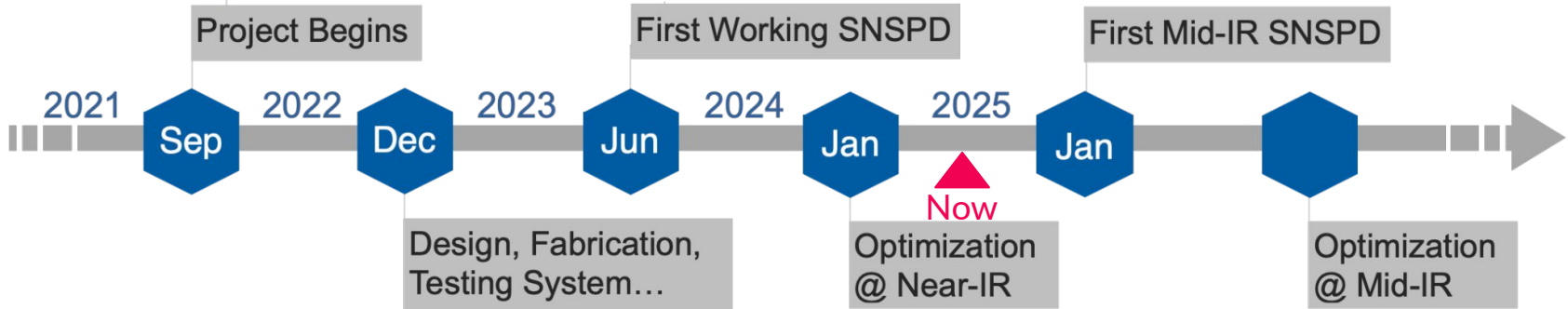
Excellent performance @ Near-IR (0.8 μm -2 μm)

- ~100% single photon efficiency @ 1550nm
- Low timing jitter (<15ps)
- Low Dark Count (<0.01Hz)
- Fast recovery (MHz readout rate)
- Polarization sensitive
- Multipixelized array

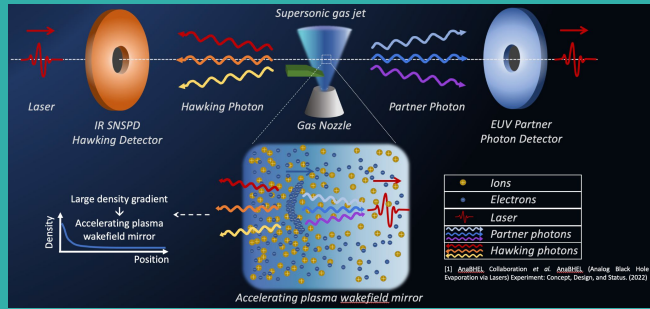
Goal

Extend to Mid-IR (2 μm -20 μm)

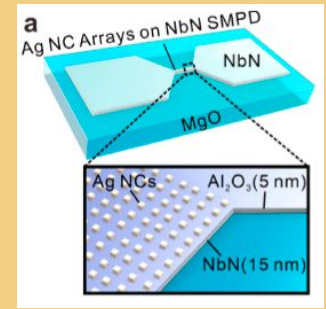
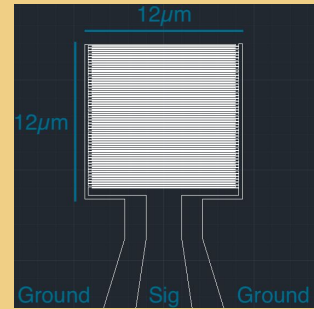
- All the excellent existing properties
- Energy resolving power
- Broadband
- Polarization distinguishability



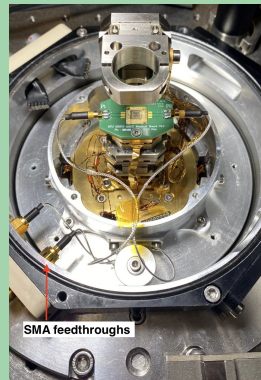
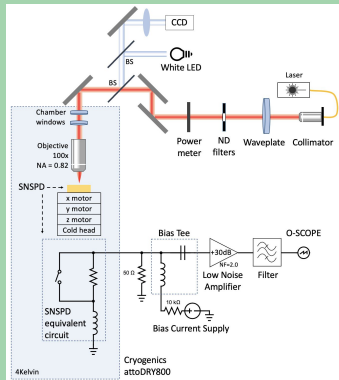
Applications



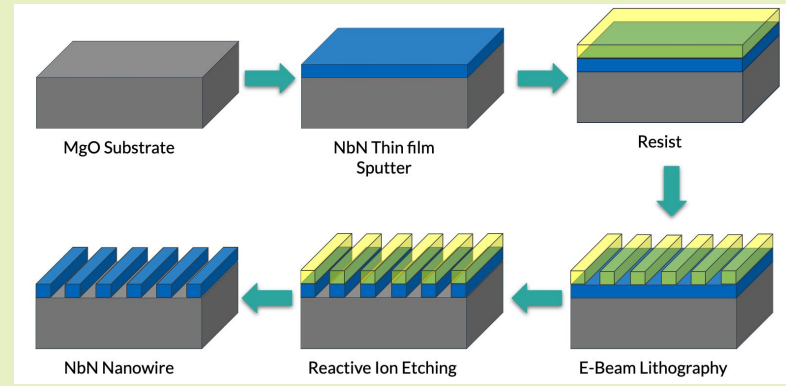
Design and simulation



Characterization



Fabrication



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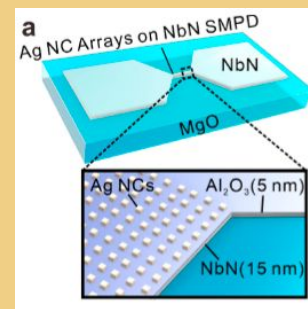
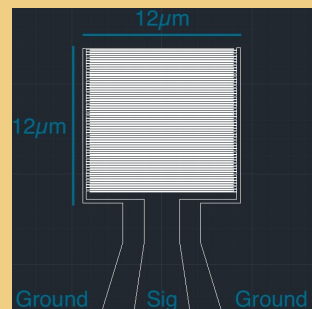
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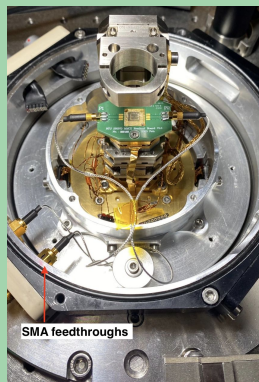
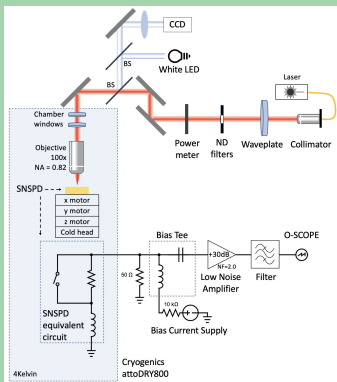
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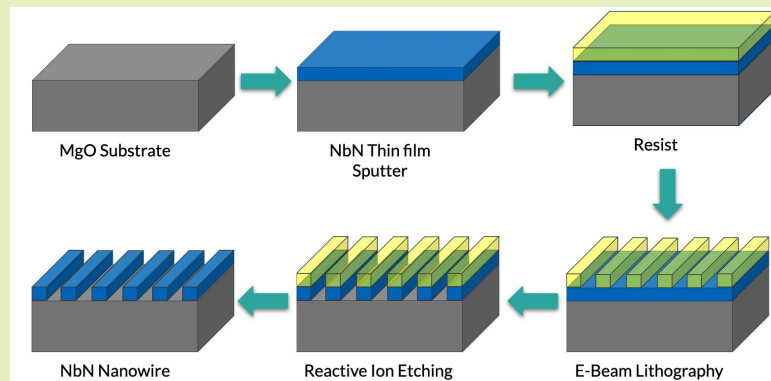
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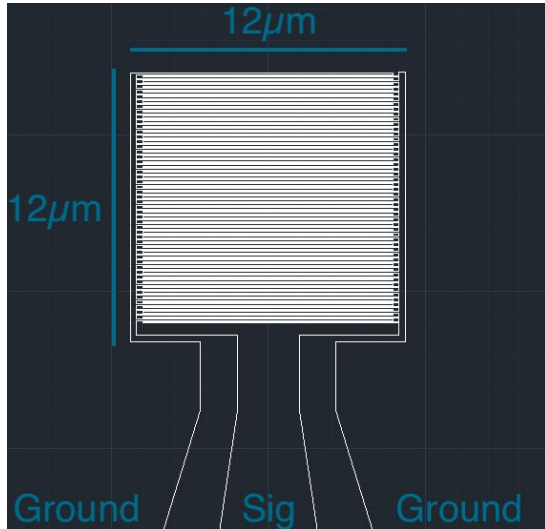
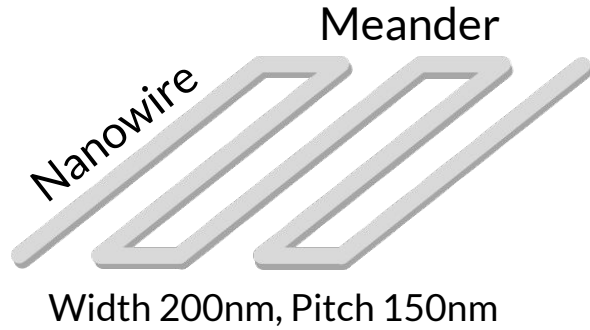
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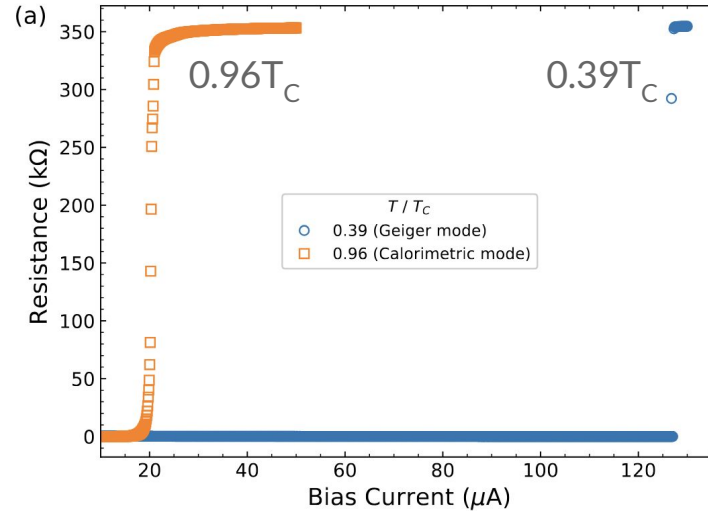
Dual-Mode Calorimetric SNSPD

Wu, H.-Y. et al. Dual-Mode Calorimetric Superconducting Nanowire Single Photon Detectors. Preprint at <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2410.10280> (2024).

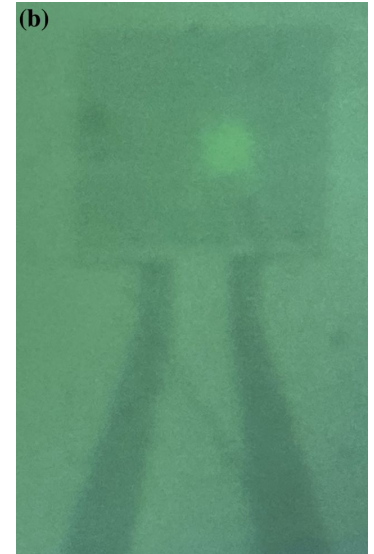
Experiment setup



Resistance-Current Diagram @
Different Operating Temperature

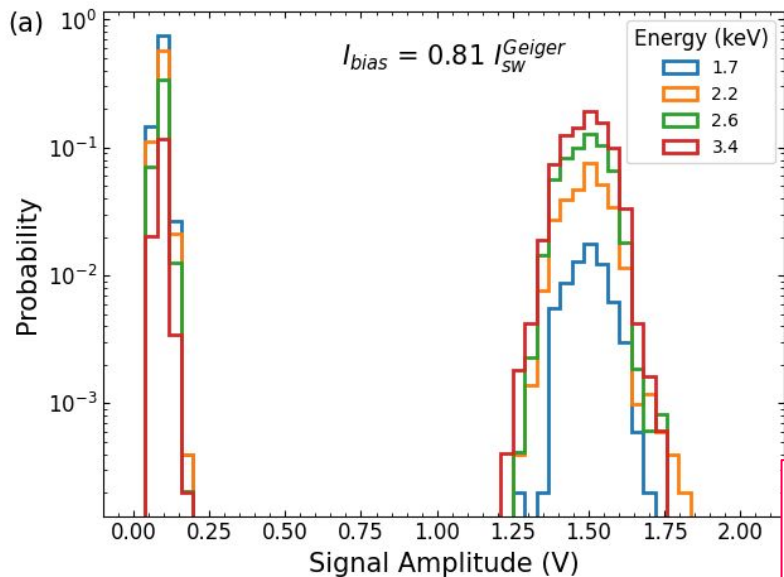
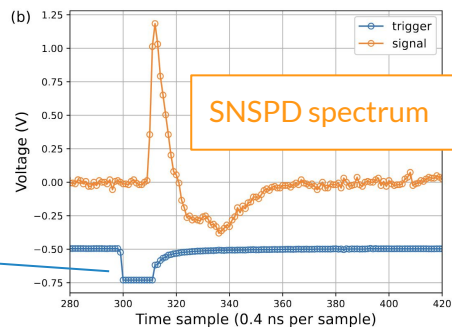


515nm Pulsed-Laser
100ps width
3 μ m laser spot

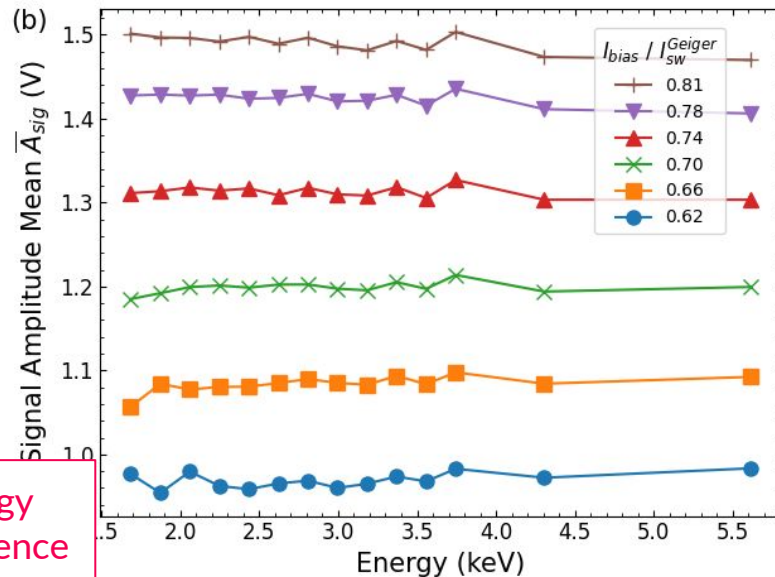


Geiger mode (Operating @ $0.39T_C$)

- 10000 pulsed-laser events are recorded
- Measure the peak-to-peak amplitude of the spectrum
- Modulate input photon number per laser pulse
- Operating in the normal Geiger mode does not show energy dependence in the signal amplitude

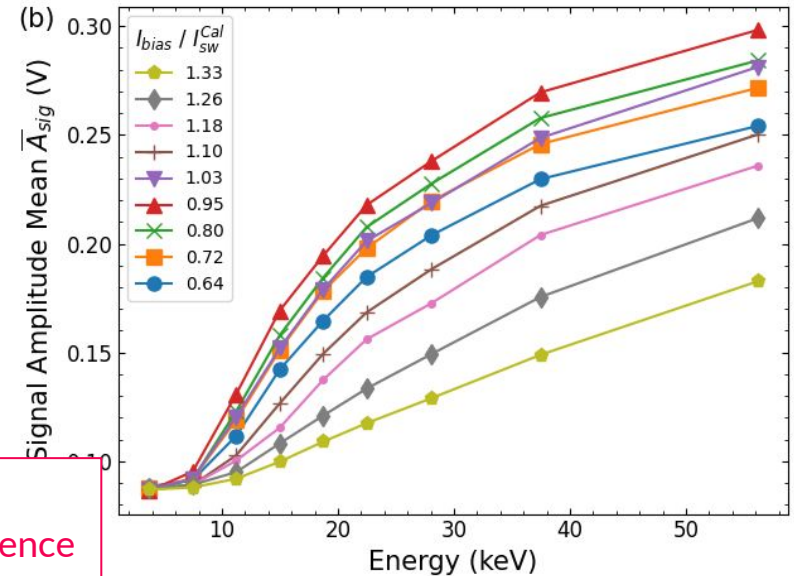
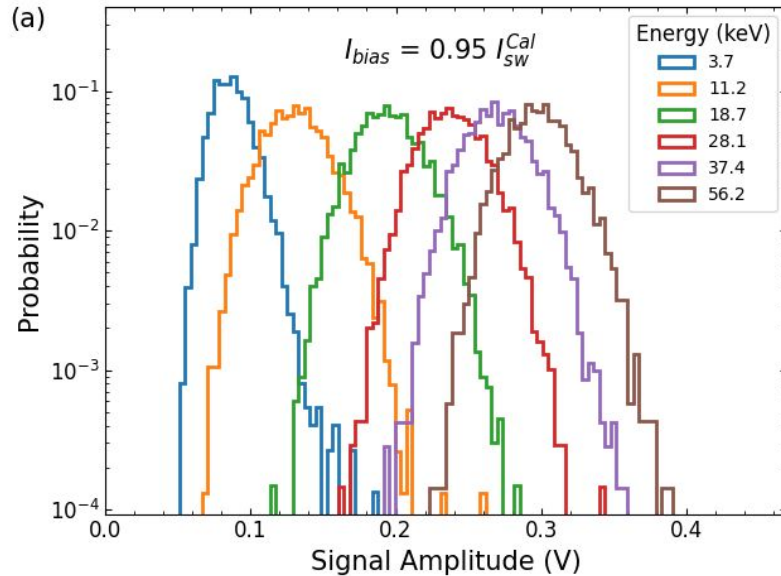


No Energy Dependence



Calorimetric mode (Operating @ $0.96T_C$)

- Signal amplitude depend on absorbed photon number
- SNSPD becomes partially resistive (i.e. does not transit totally) while absorbing photons
- Other effects: Faster timing recovery, steadier operation without dark count and latching, etc ...



Energy
Dependence

Some other features for Calorimetric SNSPD

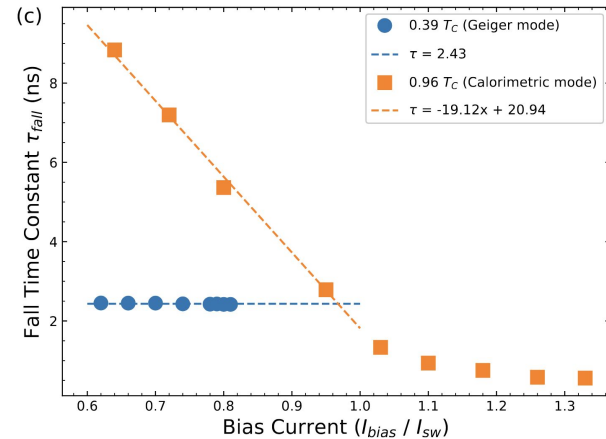
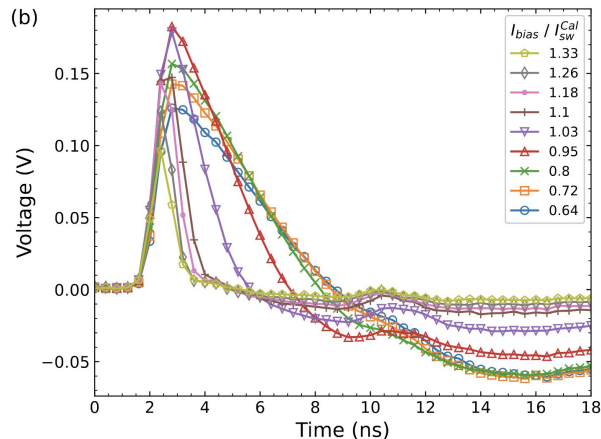
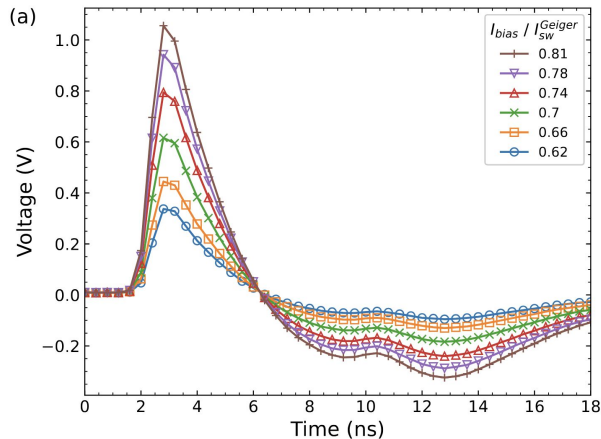
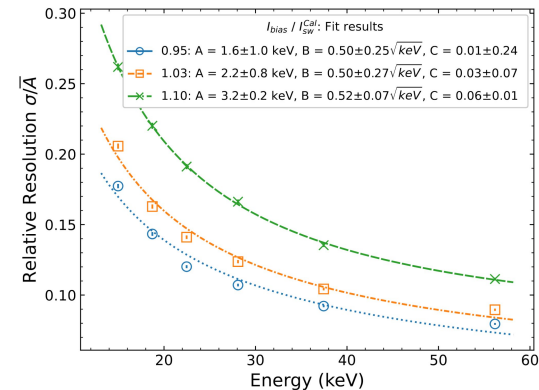
- **Timing**

- Falling time constant depends on bias current
- Reaches 560 ps falling time constant, faster than Geiger mode (2.2ns)

- **Stable operation**

- No Dark count (Geiger mode around 1Hz)
- No latching effect (Geiger mode latches at around $0.81I_C$)

- **Energy resolution around 6% constant term (Dominated by the noise term)**



Still a long way to go...

- Many issues with the device and experiment setup
 - Low efficiency
 - Noise
 - Fabrication / Characterization setup systematic uncertainties not controlled
 - Detection Mechanism unclear
 - ...
- There is a potential to build a single photon detector with properties:
 - High efficiency
 - Fast
 - Low noise
 - Calorimetric/Spectroscopy
 - Infrared sensitivity (sub-eV)
 - Polarization sensitivity

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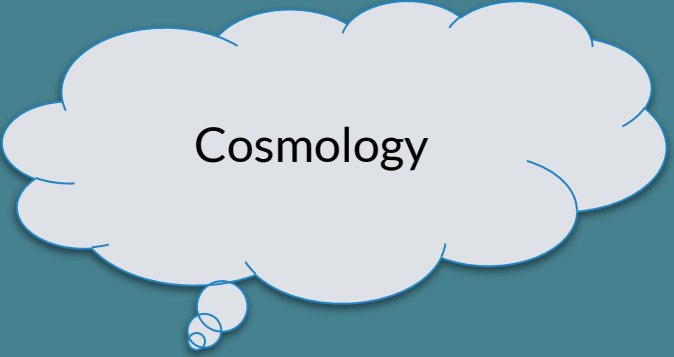
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What can we do with such detector?



Particle Physics

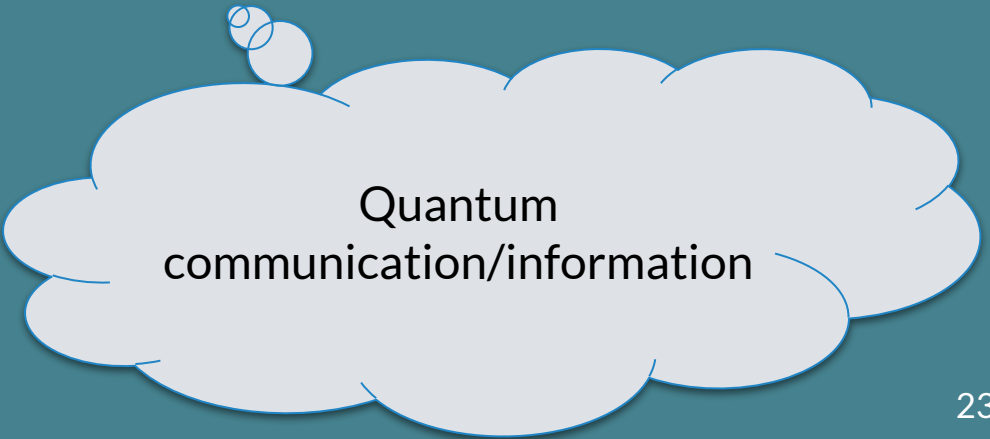


Cosmology

Wide variety of applications



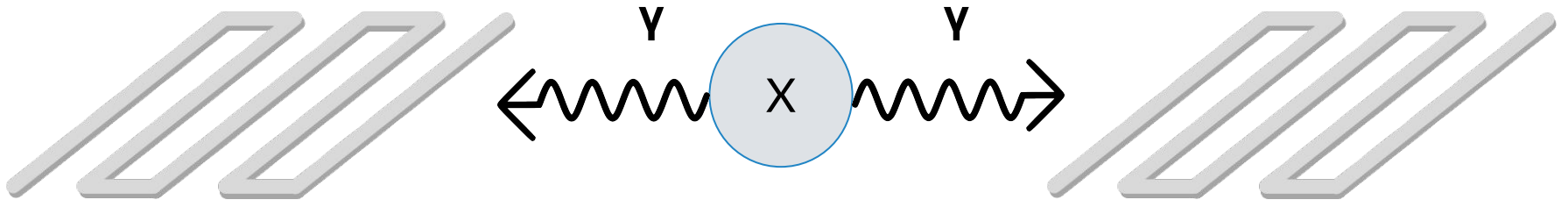
Astroparticle physics



Quantum
communication/information

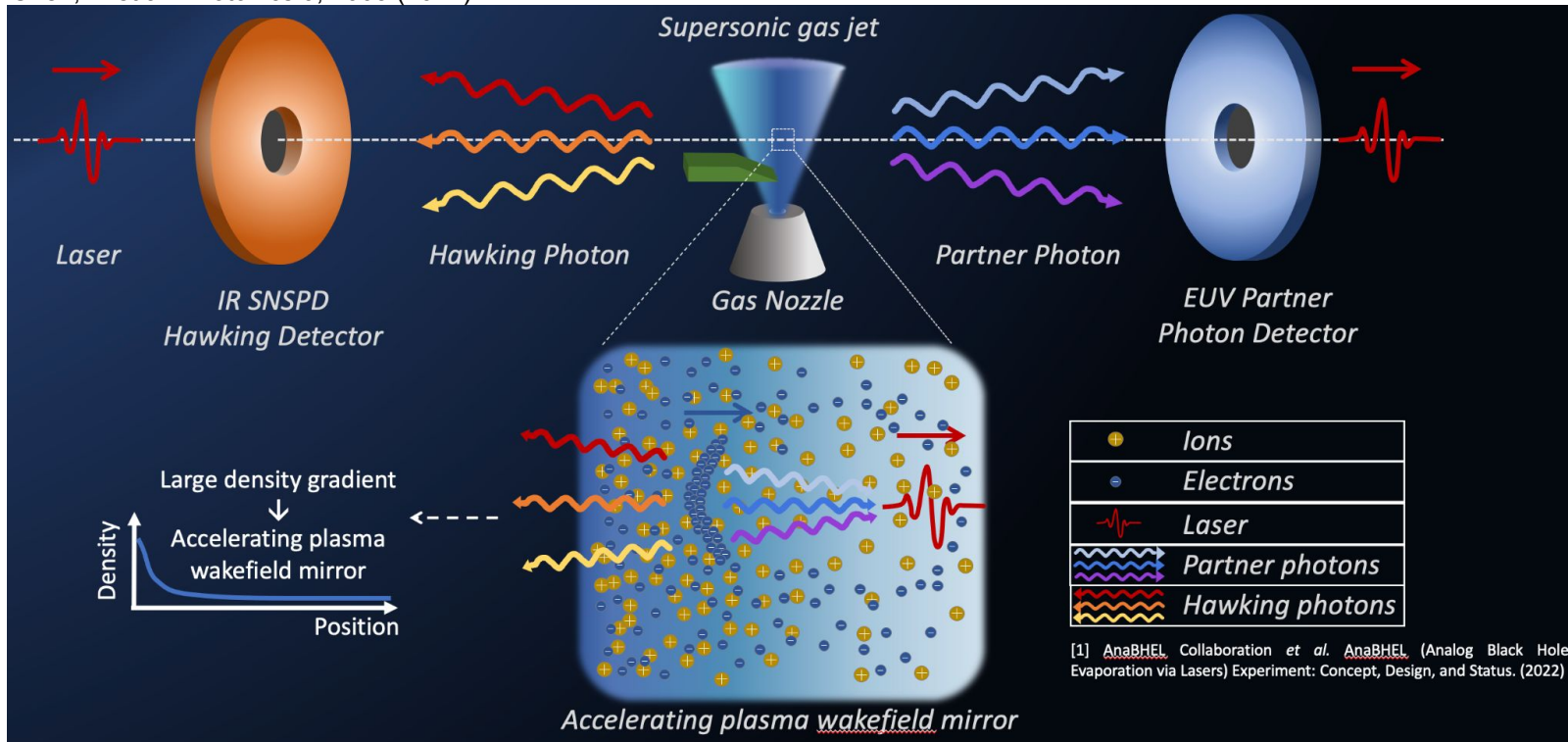
Ultra-Fast Calorimetry/Spectroscopy

- Diphoton coincidence measurements
 - Bell type entanglement experiments / Vacuum fluctuations
 - Remove background events
 - Reconstruct diphoton mass spectrum
- Trigger-type experiments
 - Fast pulsed-laser
- High signal/background rate experiment
 - Remove pile-up (Pulsed-laser, plasma, radioactive source)



AnaBHEL (Analog Black Hole Evaporation via Lasers) Experiment

Chen, P. et al. Photonics 9, 1003 (2022).

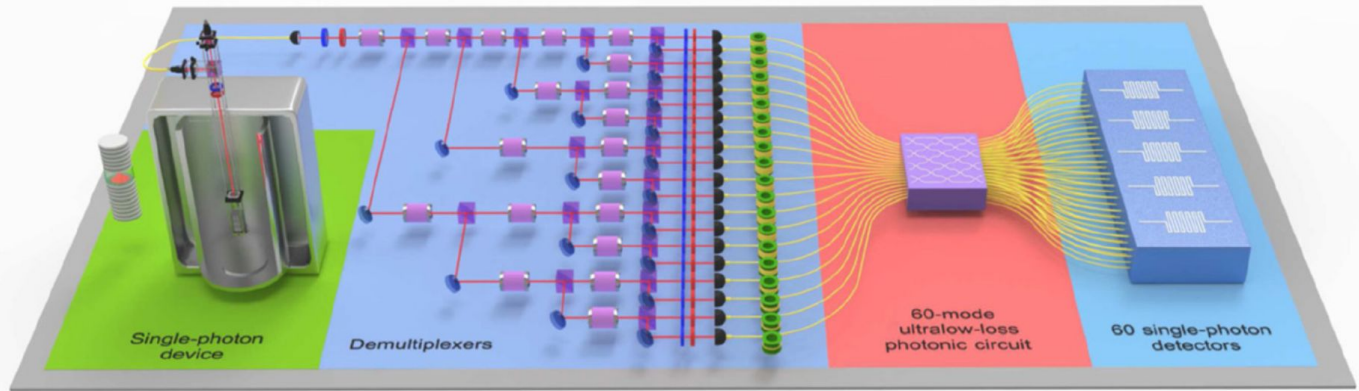
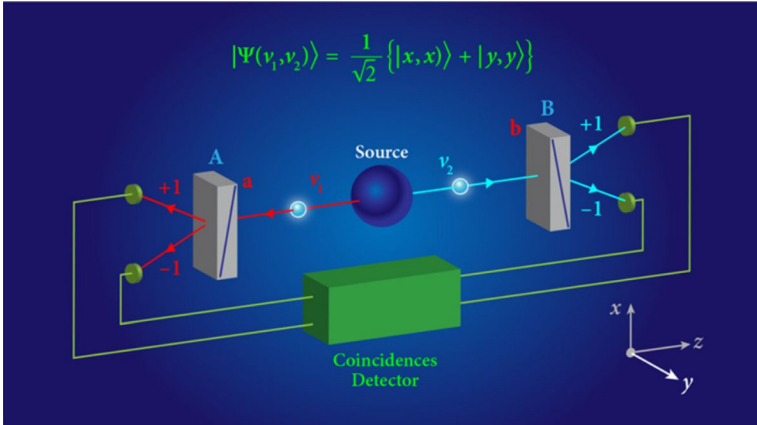


Requirements:

- Broadband 10-100 μ m single photon sensitivity
- High efficiency, High speed, Low Timing Jitter, Low Dark Count
- Polarization distinguishability

Quantum information

You, L. Superconducting nanowire single-photon detectors for quantum information. Nanophotonics 9, 2673–2692 (2020).

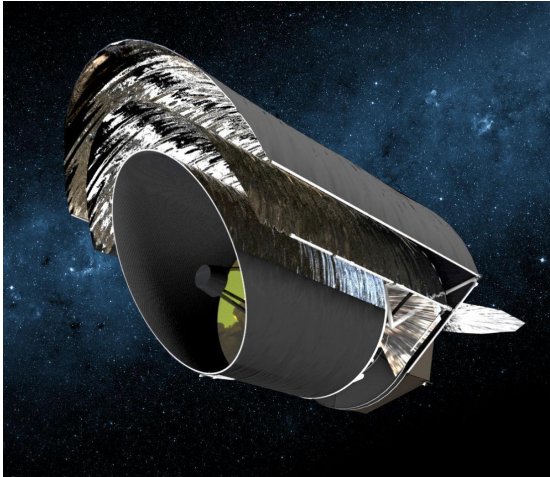


Exoplanet search

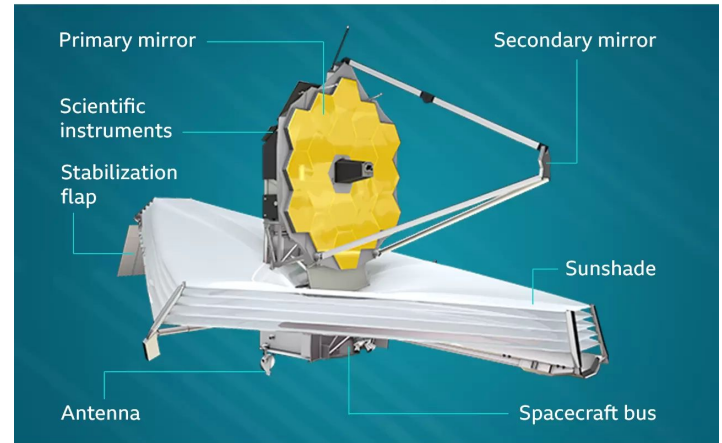
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- Planetary science (Outside the solar system)
- Search for Earth-like, habitable planets
- Future: Origins Space Telescope (OST) (2035)
 - Targetting mid to far-infrared (5-600 μm)
 - Actively cooled to 4.5K \rightarrow SC detectors

Origins Space Telescope Proposal

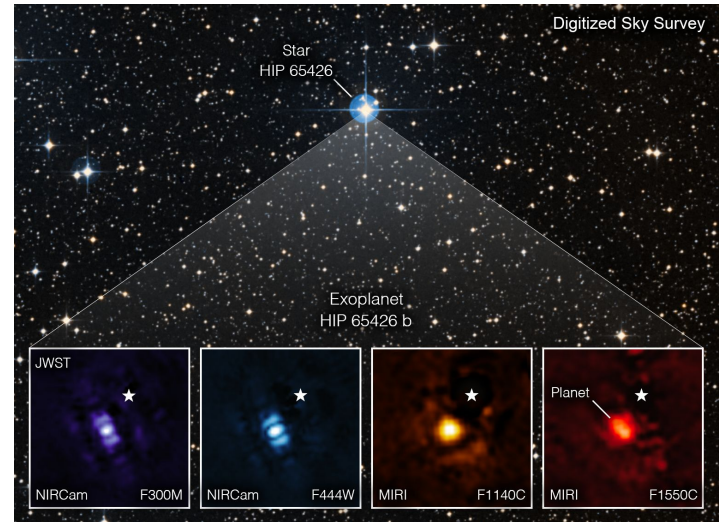


James Webb Space Telescope



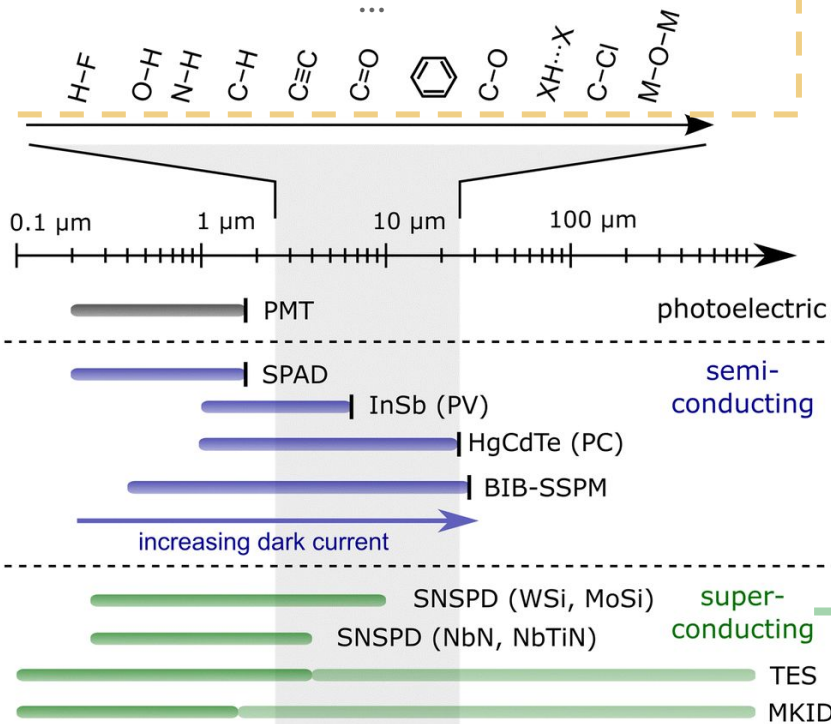
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Quantum Communication @ Atmospheric Window

Analog Black Hole
Exoplanet Search
Dark matter search



Mid - Far Infrared is a golden wavelength band for next generation measurements!

SNSPD can be the detector to meet all stringent requirements in these applications

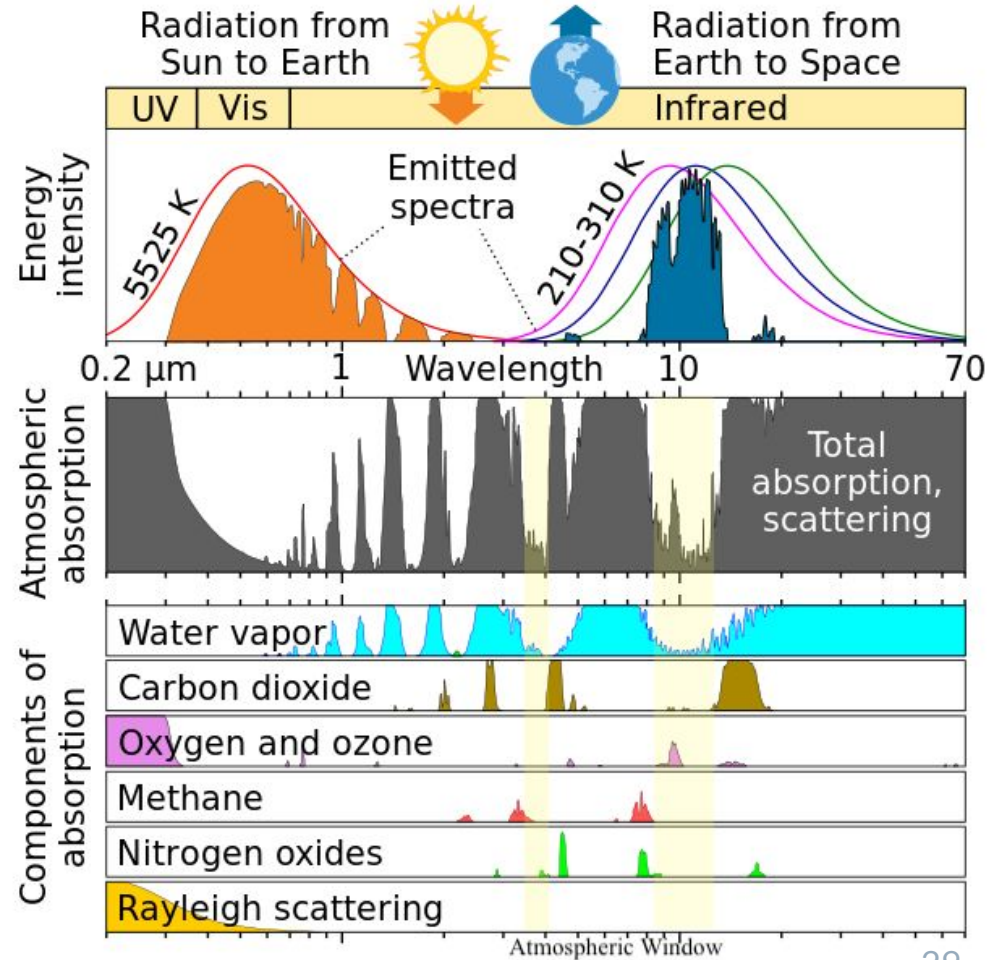
Shown sensitivity in MIR
Potential calorimetry
Very fast timing
Low dark count

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Chemical Society Reviews 52, 921–941 (2023).

Atmospheric Window

- No sun radiation & atmospheric absorption
- At around 3-4 μm & 8-10 μm
- Ground-to-Satellite/Space Applications
 - Free space optical (FSO) communication
 - Quantum secure keys
 - Space Observatory



CERN DRD5 / RDq R&D on quantum sensor

1. ECFA Detectors R&D Roadmap Process Group. The 2021 ECFA detector research and development roadmap. Preprint at <https://doi.org/10.17181/CERN.XDPL.W2EX> (2021).
2. The European Strategy and Detector R&D Program. <https://arxiv.org/html/2408.17094v1> (2024).
3. Doser, M. & Demarteau, M. Proposal on R&D on quantum sensors: the DRD5/RDq proto-collaboration. <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2901426> (2024).

Future facilities and experiments

Large

SPS fixed target
 Other fixed target, FAIR (hep)
 Belle II
 ALICE LS3
 PIP-II/LBNF/DUNE/Hyper-K
 ALICE 3
 LHCb (\neq LS4)
 EIC
 LHeC

ILC

FCC-ee
 CLIC

FCC-hh
 FCC-eh
 Muon Collider

< 2030

2030-2035

2035-2040

2040-2045

> 2045

Small

Neutrino Telescopes (km^3)
 Axions, ALPs, Dark Matter (DM)
 Light DM Detectors
 Multi-tonne Scale DM Detectors
 Tonne Scale Onbb
 100 m Atom Interferometry
 Mu3e Phase II / COMET Phase II
 Future Muegama Experiment
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 Proof of Principle Quantum Sensor HEP detectors
 Dark Radiation
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 Large Scale Quantum Sensor HEP Detectors
 Space-based Quantum Sensor Networks
 Big Bang (CNB) Detectors
 Space-based Quantum Sensors
 Functional Quantum Sensor Networks
 PRISM

< 2025

2025-2030

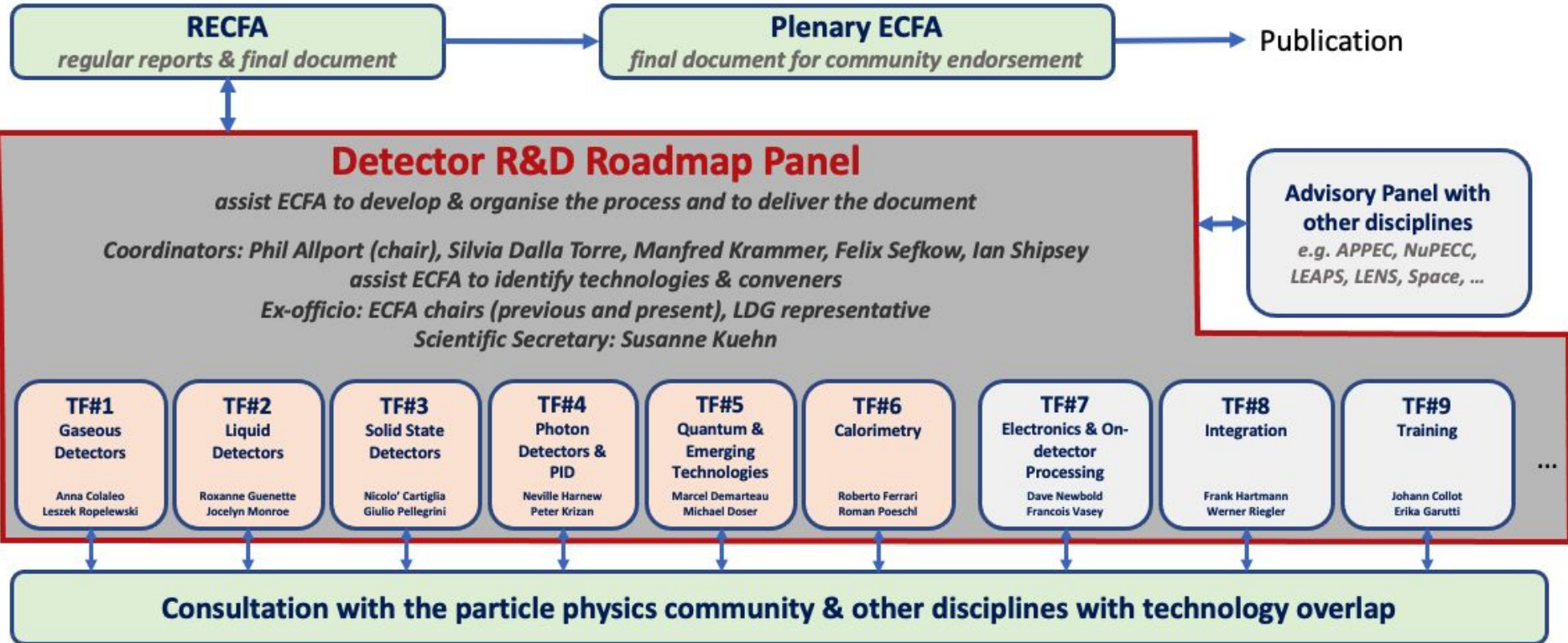
2030-2035

> 2035

European Committee for Future Accelerators (ECFA)

European Detector Roadmap document (2021)

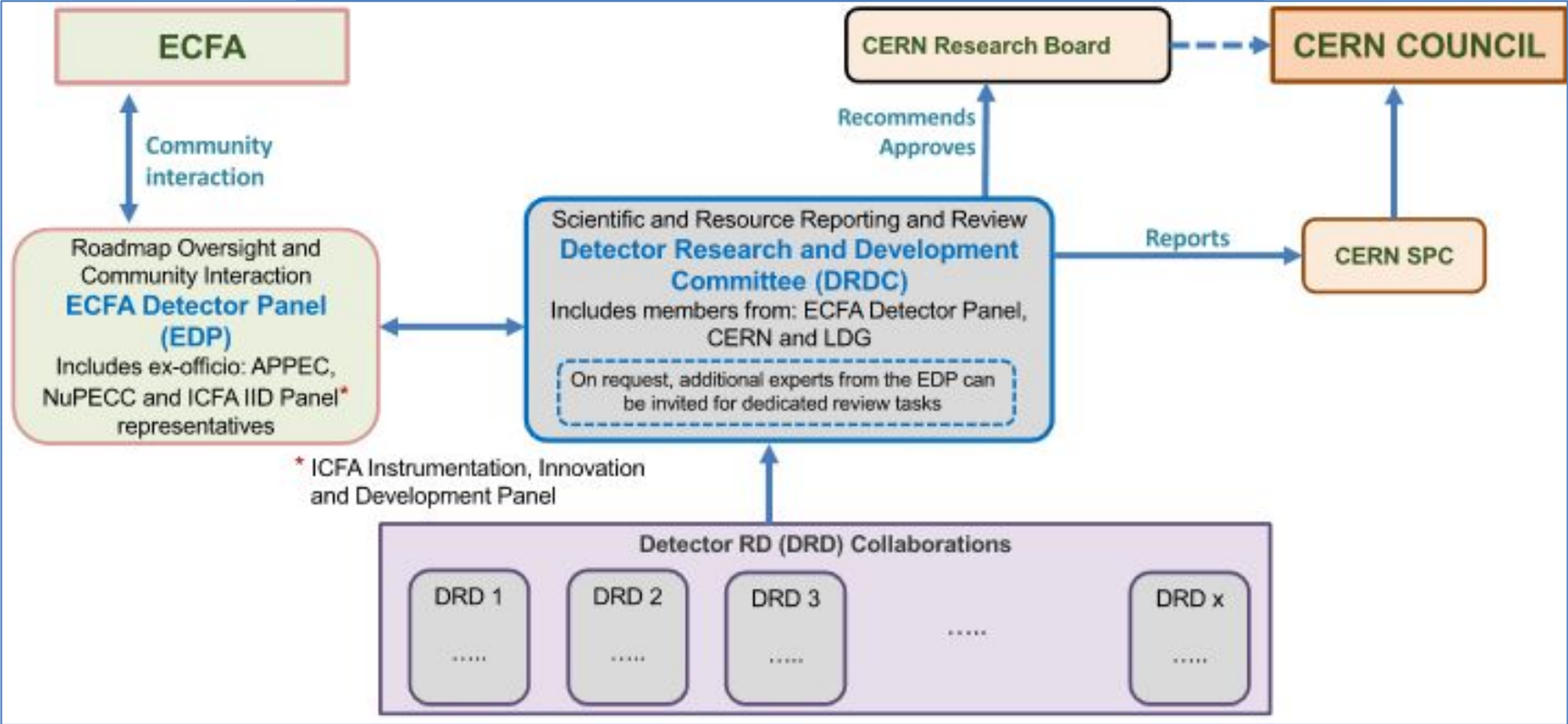
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New CERN committee

Detector Research and Development Committee (DRDC)

<https://arxiv.org/html/2408.17094v1>



DRD5 / DRq : R&D on Quantum Sensor

Sensor family →	clocks & clock networks	superconduct- ing & spin- based sensors	kinetic detectors	atoms / ions / molecules & atom interferometry	opto- mechanical sensors	nano-engineered / low-dimensional / materials
Work Package ↓						

- Quantum technologies are advancing rapidly with unprecedented sensitivity and precision.
- Focusing area
 - Exploring foundational physics questions (e.g., symmetry violations, interactions).
 - Enhancing extreme-sensitivity measurements.
 - Applying new materials and phase transitions to detector technologies.
- Community Building
 - No membership fees or common funds.
 - Lightweight joining process via request to the collaboration board.
 - 94 groups (338 individuals) expressed interest in signing the proposal submitted in February 2024.

DRD5 Work packages

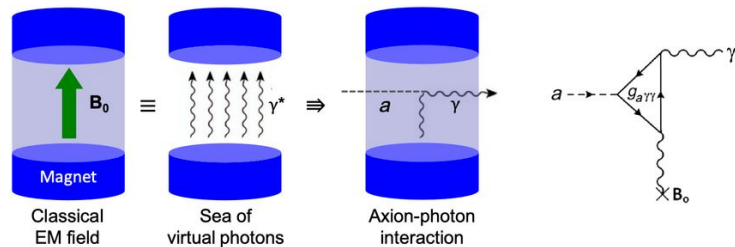
Sensor family → Work Package ↓	clocks & clock networks	superconduct- ing & spin- based sensors	kinetic detectors	atoms / ions / molecules & atom interferometry	opto- mechanical sensors	nano-engineered / low-dimensional / materials
WP1 <i>Atomic, Nuclear and Molecular Systems in traps & beams</i>	X			X	(X)	
WP2 <i>Quantum Materials (0-, 1-, 2-D)</i>		(X)	(X)		X	X
WP3 <i>Quantum super- conducting devices</i>		X				(X)
WP4 <i>Scaled-up massive ensembles (spin-sensitive devices, hybrid devices, mechanical sensors)</i>		X	(X)	X	(X)	X
WP5 <i>Quantum Techniques for Sensing</i>	X	X	X	X	X	
WP6 <i>Capacity expansion</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X

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Dark Matter Searches

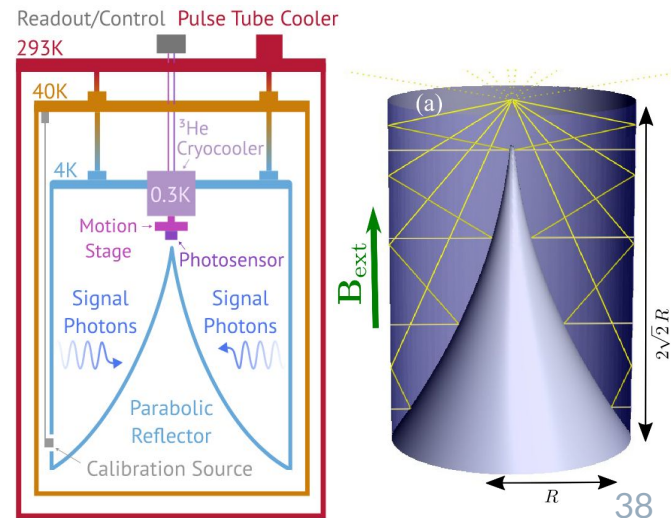
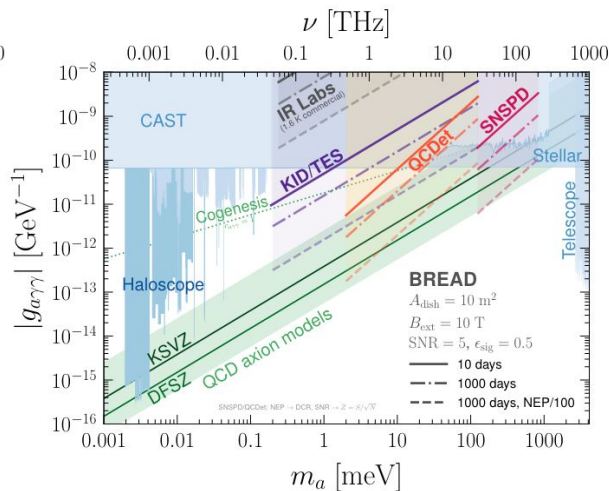
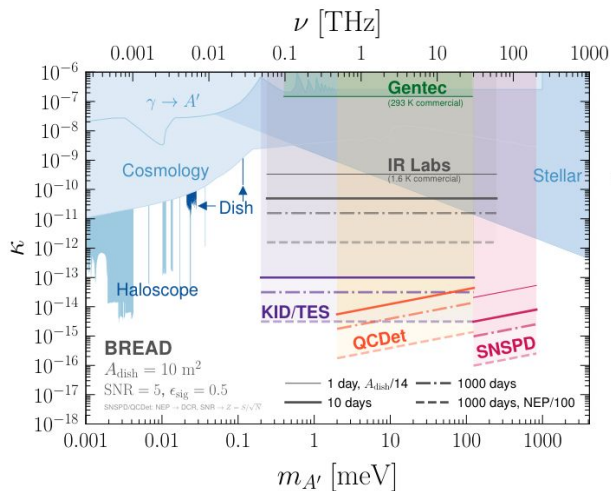
- Dark matter candidates with $m_{\text{DM}} < 1 \text{ eV}$
 - QCD Axions (a)
 - Dark Photons (A')
- Non-zero DM-photon couplings \rightarrow lab detection through EM interactions



arXiv.2104.14831 (2021)

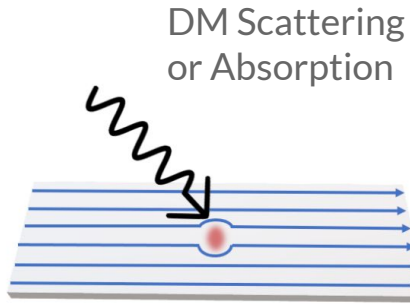
Broadband solenoidal haloscope for terahertz axion detection (BREAD)

Phys. Rev. Lett. 128, 131801 (2022).

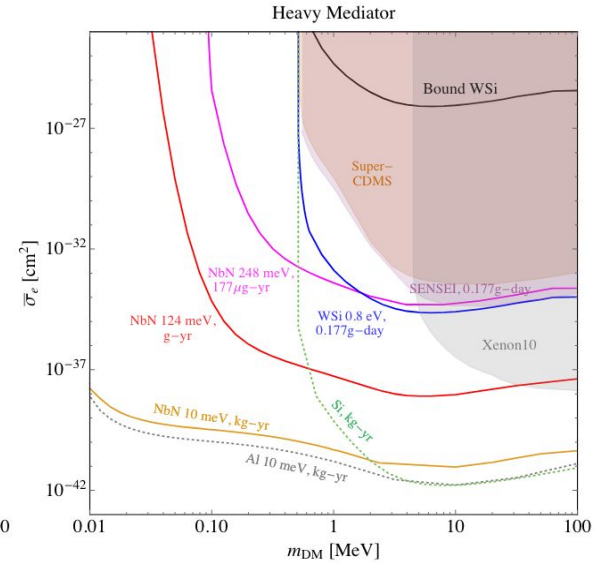
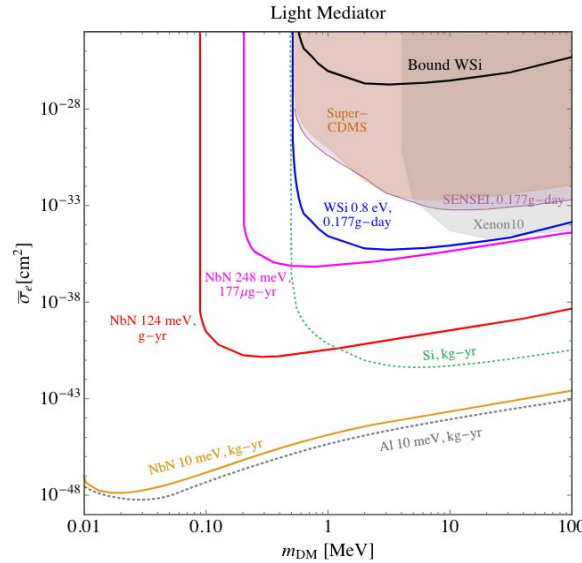


Dark Matter Searches – Direct interaction

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- Requires stable and low Dark Counts

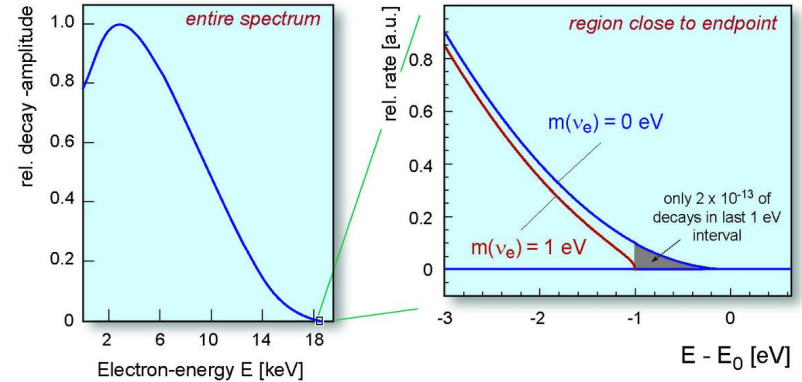
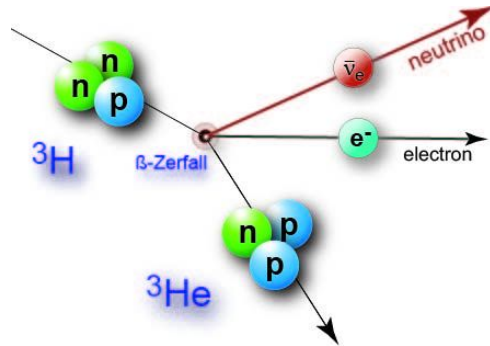


Lower energy/wavelength threshold can lead to larger DM detection phase space!

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Direct neutrino mass measurement

<https://www.katrin.kit.edu/79.php>



G Drexlin, Direct neutrino mass measurements

	${}^3\text{H} \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$	${}^{187}\text{Re} \rightarrow {}^{187}\text{Os} + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$
half life $t_{1/2}$	12.3 years	43.2 Gyears
end-point energy E_0	18.57 keV	2.47 keV
decay mode	super-allowed	unique first forbidden
electron shell	simple (H-like)	complex
β-source	gaseous / quench-condensed	metallic Re / dielectric AgReO ₄
total β-activity	high: $\sim 10^{11}$ β /s	low: $< 10^5$ s ⁻¹
detector specific β-rate	4.7 Ci s ⁻¹ injection (KATRIN)	~ 1 Bq / mg Re (MARE)
systematic effects	electron scattering in β -source	surface / solid state effects

Direct neutrino mass measurement

	electrostatic spectrometer	cryogenic micro-bolometer
detector response	kinetic energy of β -electron	entire energy
β-energy interval	narrow interval at E_0	entire spectrum
β-spectroscopy	integral spectrum	differential spectrum
experimental set-up	integral design	modular design (arrays)
energy resolution	$\Delta E = 0.93$ eV (100%)	$\Delta E > 5-10$ eV (FWHM)
systematic effects	HV fluctuations, scattering	energy calibration, surface effects

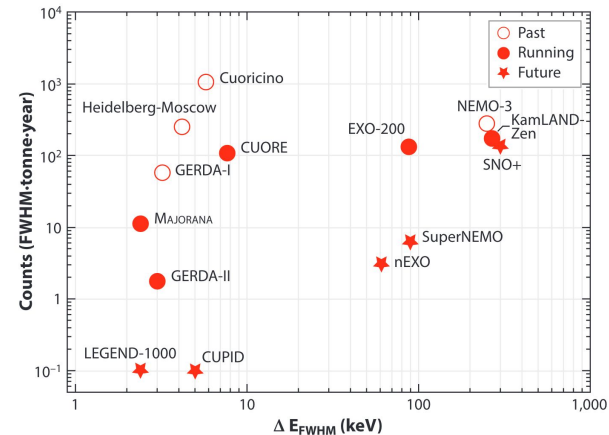
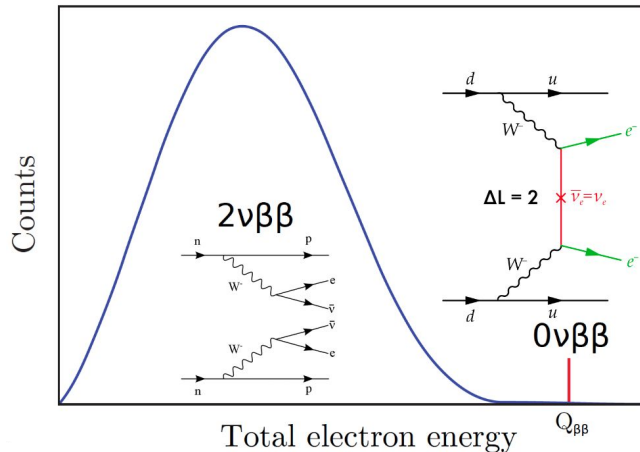
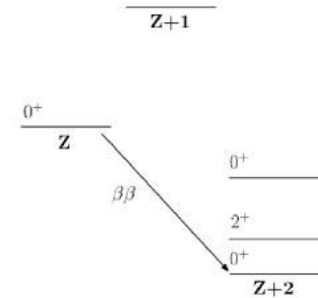
- KATRIN 2024 upper limit of $m_\nu < 0.45$ eV at 90 % confidence level (259 days)

Aker, M. et al. Direct neutrino-mass measurement based on 259 days of KATRIN data.
Preprint at <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2406.13516> (2024).

- Expect with 1000 days of measurement to reach target sensitivity of 0.2 eV
- Neutrino oscillation data have 1-2 order less delta mass

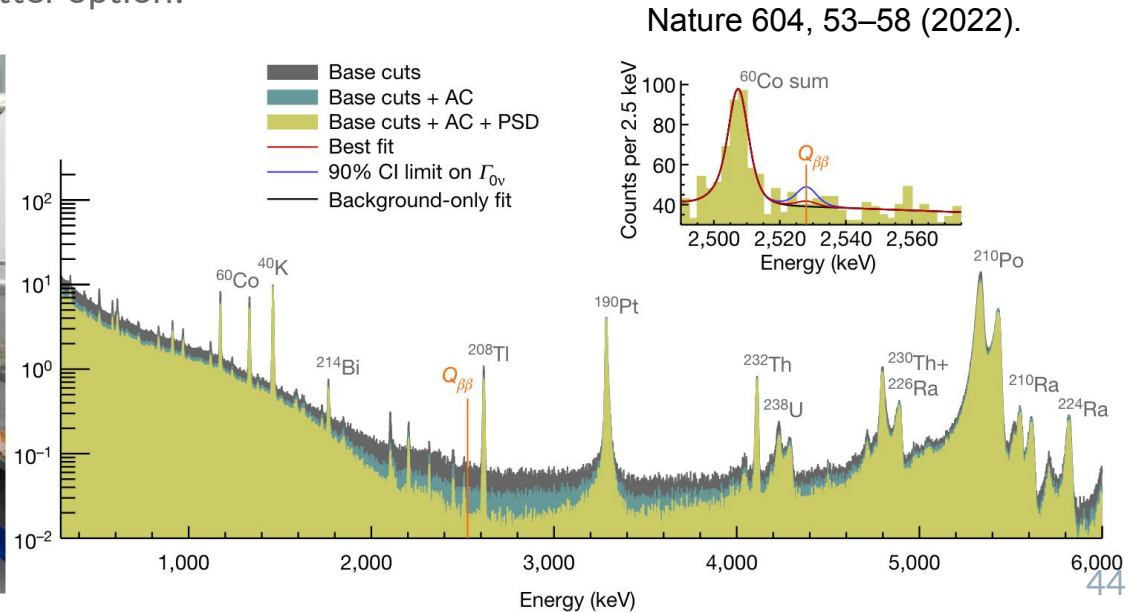
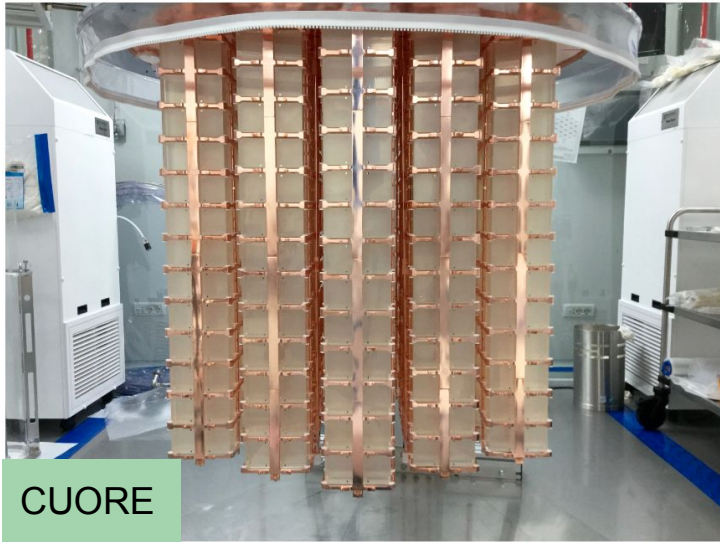
Neutrinoless double beta decay

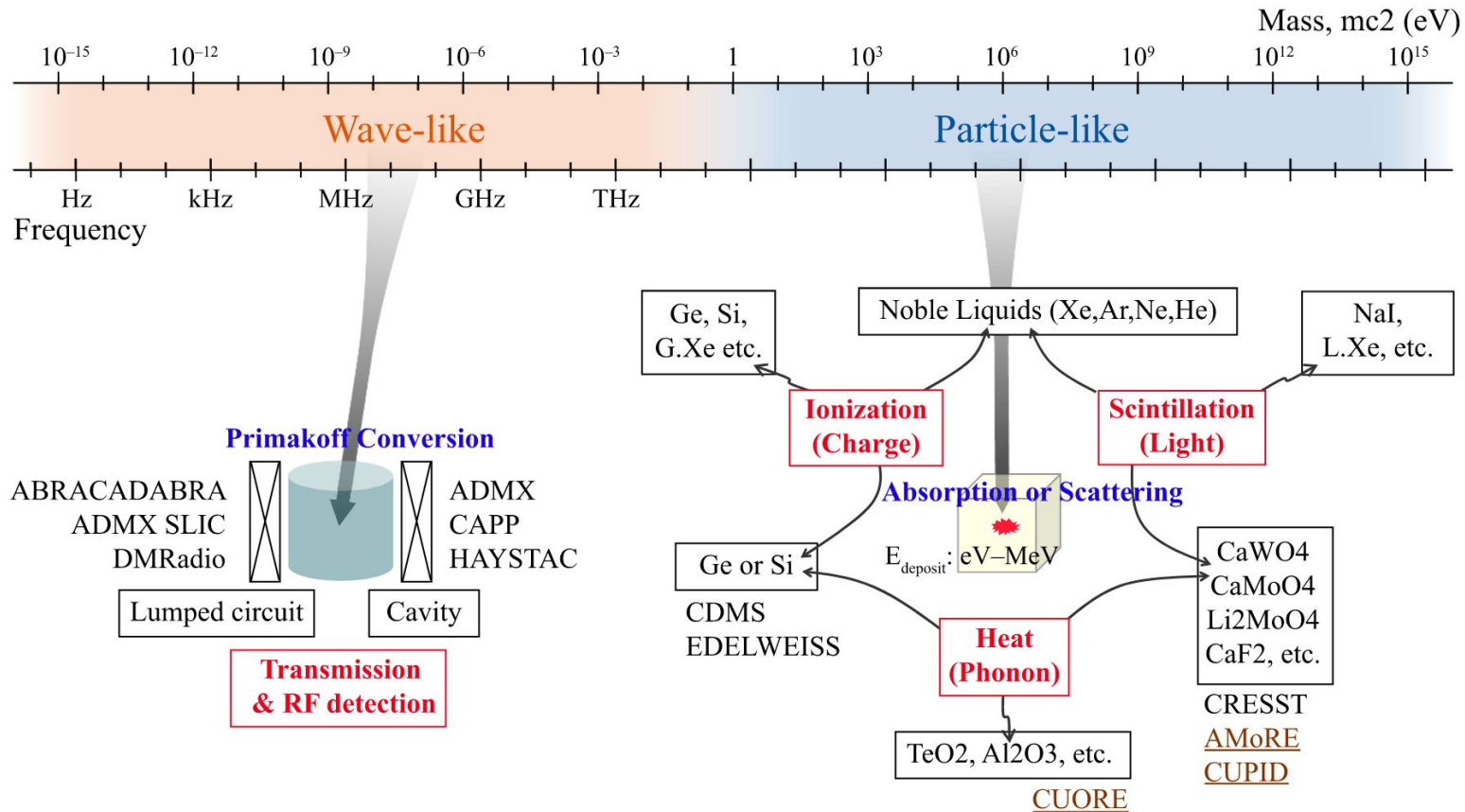
- $2\nu\beta\beta$ is a rare SM radioactive decay process
- $0\nu\beta\beta$ is a theoretical, experimentally unobserved process
- Implies $\Delta L \neq 0$
 - Lepton number violation = new physics!
 - Prove the Majorana nature of neutrino \rightarrow Majorana mass
 - Connection to baryon asymmetry



Neutrinoless double beta decay

- Planning upgrades: CUPID-1T
 - 1 Ton of ^{100}Mo
 - Irreducible background from $2\nu\beta\beta \rightarrow$ Pileup becomes important with large amount of source
 - Implementation of TES \rightarrow Low Dark Count, 10 μs timing resolution, good energy resolution
- SNSPD calorimeter may be an even better option!





Summary

- Ongoing development of a mid-to-far IR SNSPD
 - Dual-Mode Calorimetric operation is observed which could lead to ultra-fast spectroscopy
 - Enhancing the performance of the SNSPD with state-of-the-art optical structures
 - Testing plasmonic structures, new materials, new designs...
 - System updates to minimize electric noise and laser coupling
 - Still a lot of work to be carried out

- Joined CERN DRD5/RDq
 - No immediate task or responsibility
 - Try to discuss and see where we can contribute
 - Find new application opportunities for the SNSPD R&D

Thanks to all the collaborators!!



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Extra Slides

SNSPD Fabrication

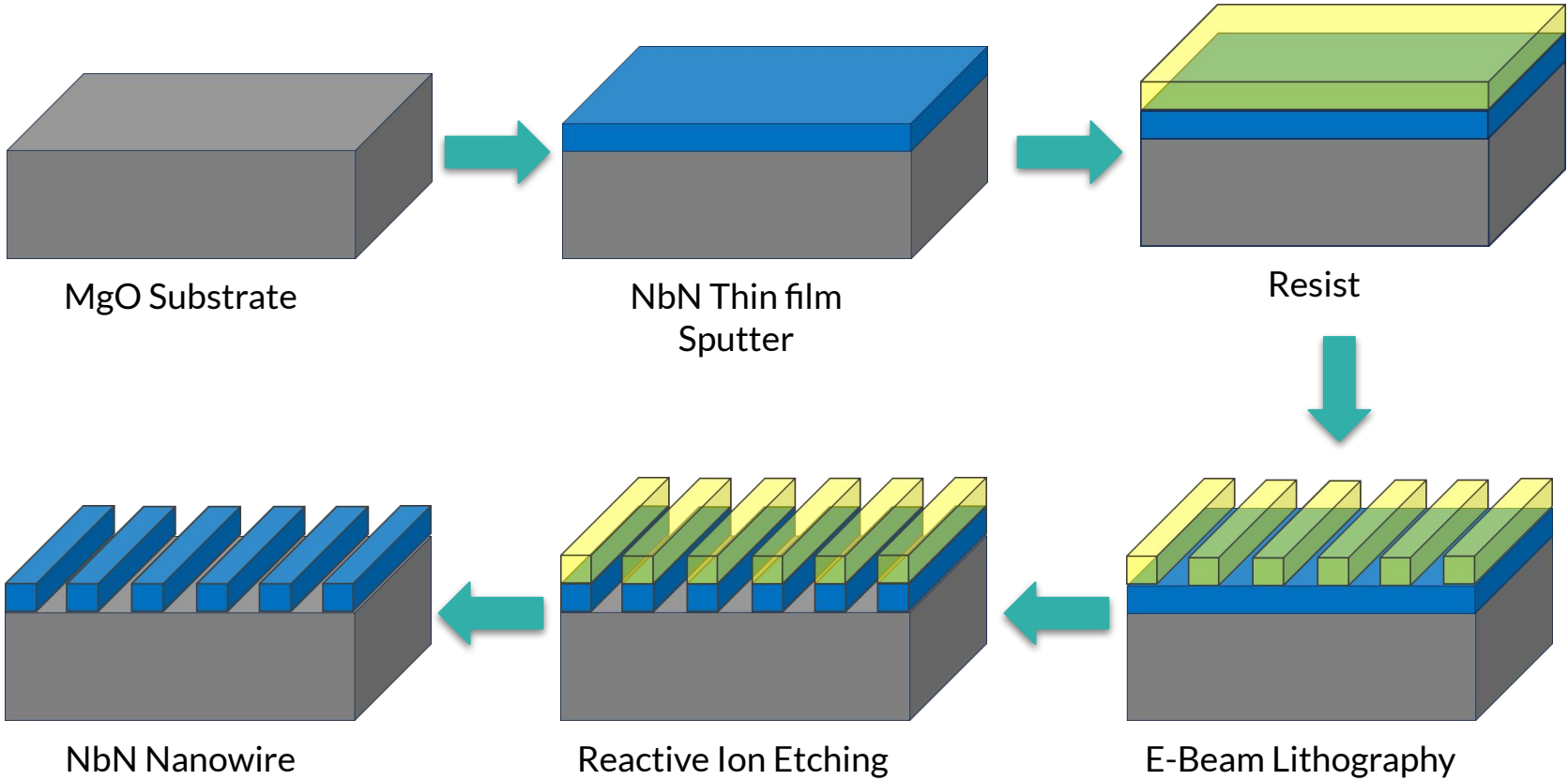
SC Material Choice

Material	T_c^* , K	Δ (BCS), meV	N_{qp}^{**} (3 μ m photon)
Nb	4.15	0.63	~600
✓ NbN	8.6	1.3	~300
NbTiN	9.6	1.46	~300
WSi	3.7	0.56	~700
MoSi	4.3	0.65	~600
MoGe	4.4	0.66	~600
TiN	0.4 - 4.5	0.06 – 0.68	~6000 - 600
SC-diamond	2 - 4.2	0.3 – 0.63	~1300 - 600

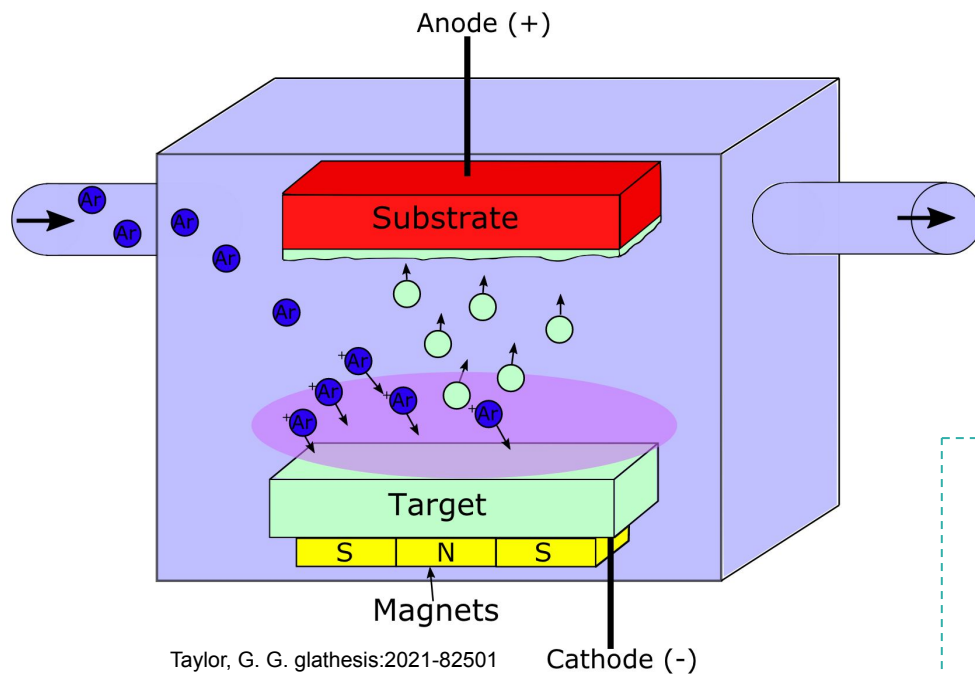
* Data for thin film

** Number of quasi-particles

Fabrication Flow

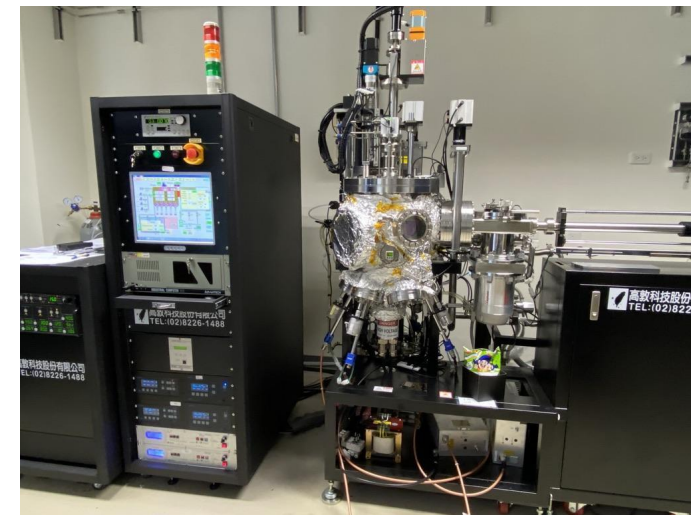


Reactive Magnetron Sputter



Taylor, G. G. glathesis:2021-82501

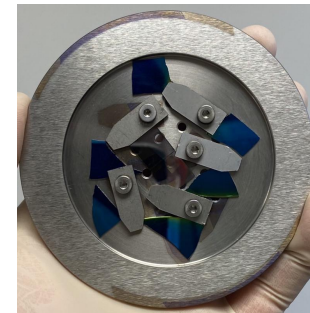
Cathode (-)



7nm NbN Recipe

- Target=NbN
- UHV= 10^{-9} Torr
- RF Power=130 W
- Ar:N₂=36:0.1 sccm
- APC=0.9 mTorr
- Temperature=900°C
- Rate=0.3 Å/s (260s)

NbN Thin film

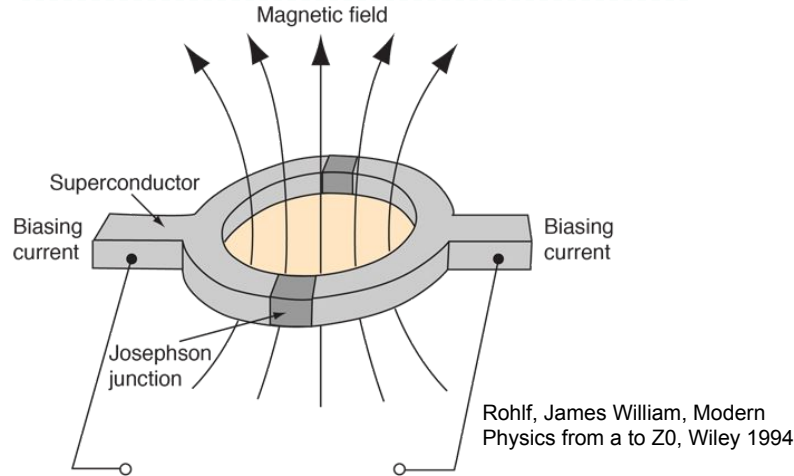


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Thin film quality characterization

Magnetic susceptibility χ_v @ 2-20K

→ Critical Temperature

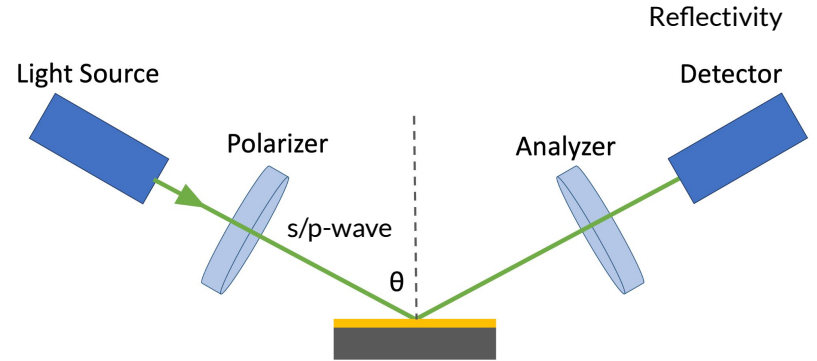


Superconducting Quantum Interference Device (SQUID)

Measured by Instrumentation Center,
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Electric susceptibility χ_e @ 300K

→ Metallic Property



Ellipsometry

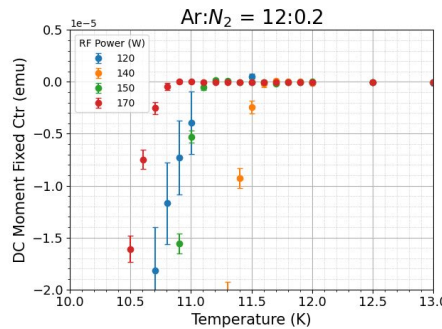
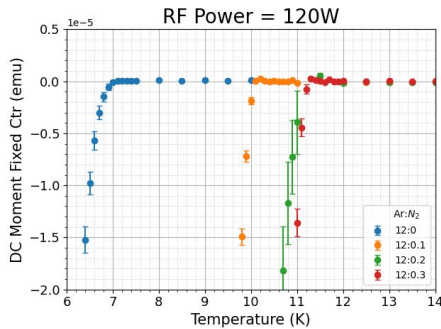
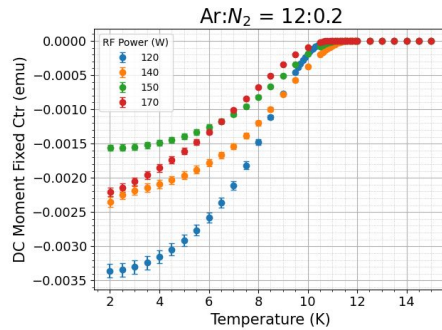
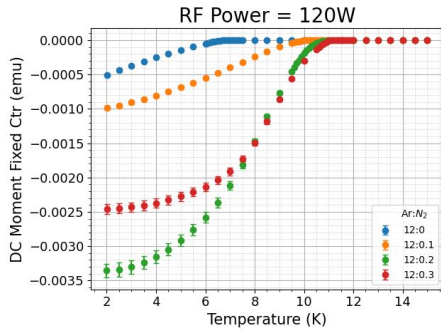
Measured by Lu's Lab,
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NbN Thin Film Optimization with Sputter Parameters

RF Power & Ar:N₂ Flow rate

SQUID → Higher T_c (Better crystallized)

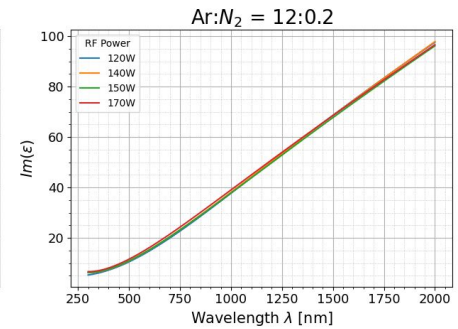
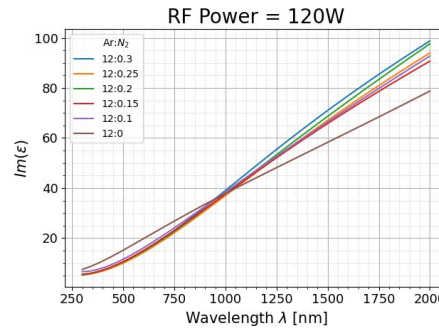
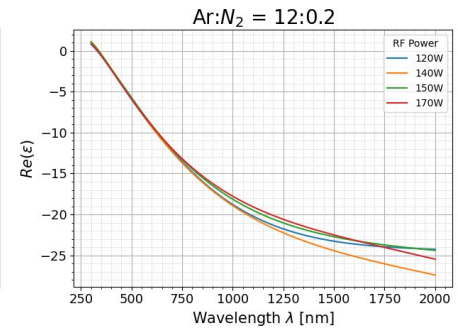
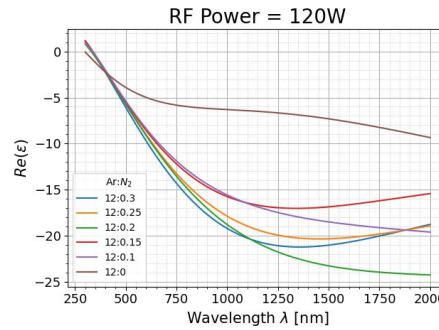
Ellipsometry → Re(ε) more negative (More metallic)
Im(ε) larger (Higher absorption)



12:0.2 or 12:0.3



140W

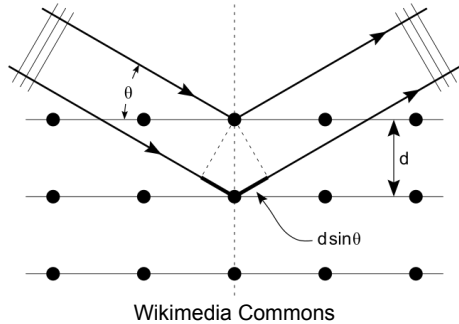


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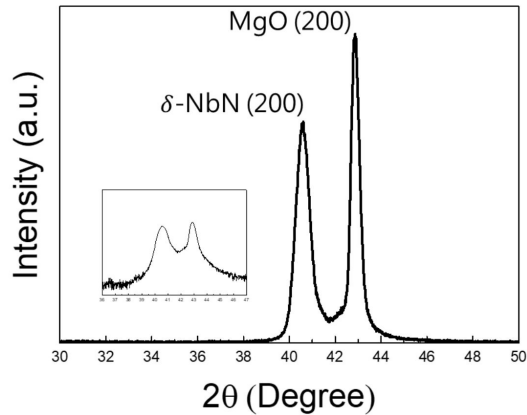
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Inpurities – X-Ray Diffraction



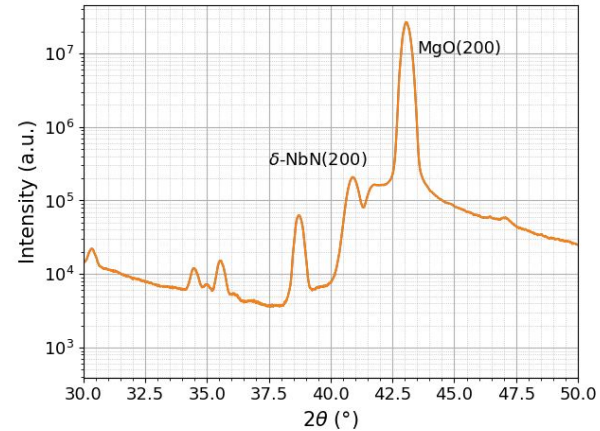
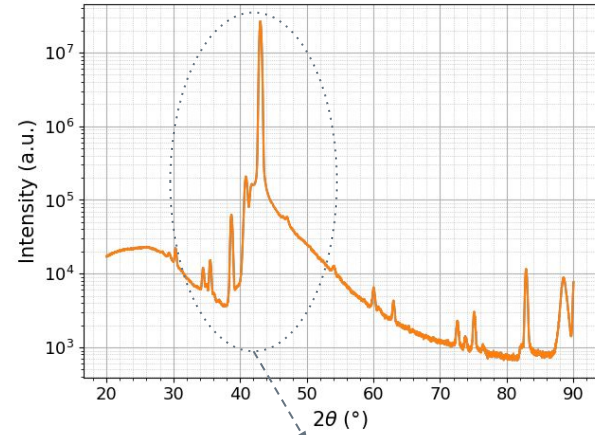
Crystal Structure

2022 Measured



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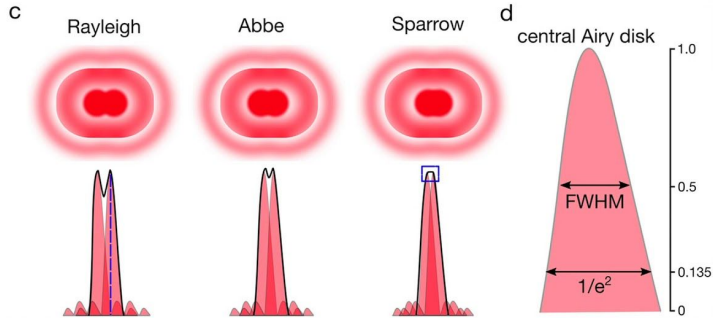


E-Beam Lithography

Abbe's Diffraction Limit

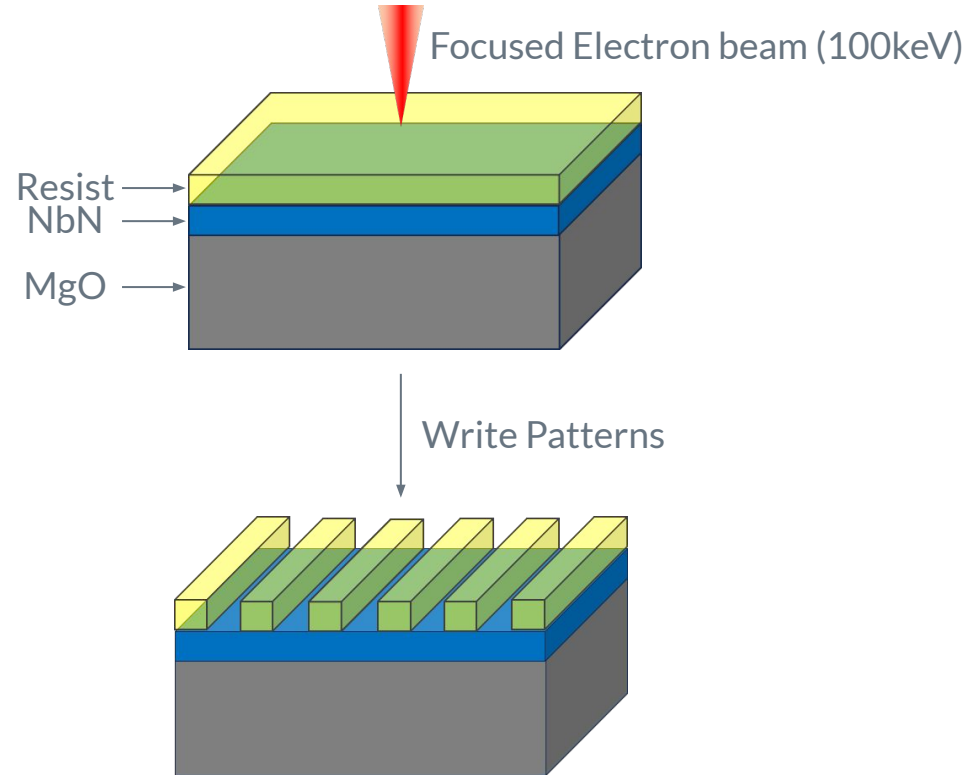
$$d = \frac{\lambda}{2NA}$$

Lithography Resolution



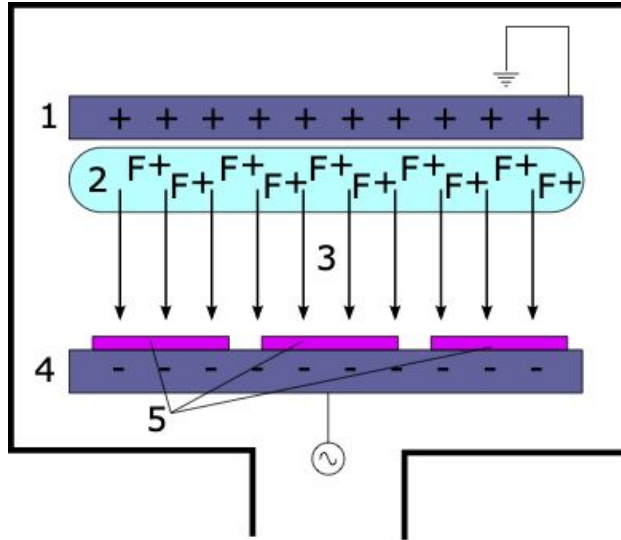
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PhotoLithography with UV(400nm) \rightarrow $d \sim 200\text{nm}$
Nanowire width: 100nm \rightarrow E-Beam Lithography



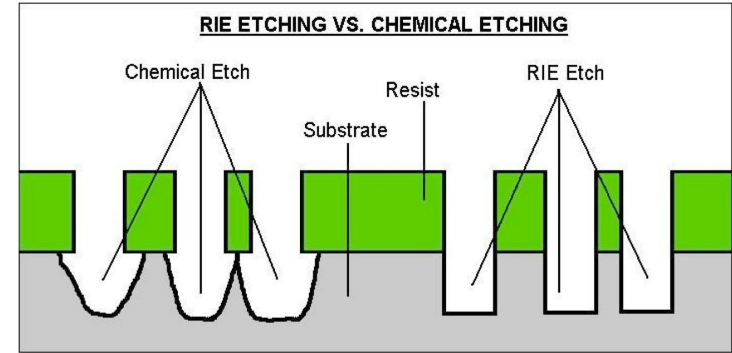
Reaction Ion Etching

RIE Principle similar to Sputter →
Ion acceleration bombardment

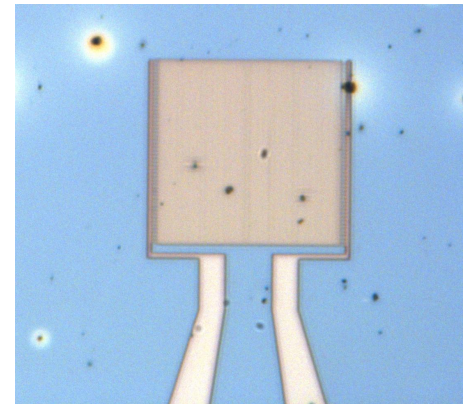


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Higher precision compared to
traditional chemical etch

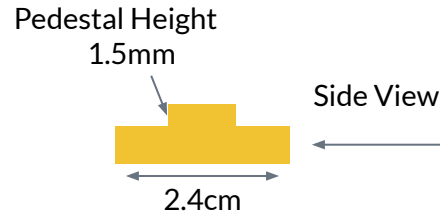
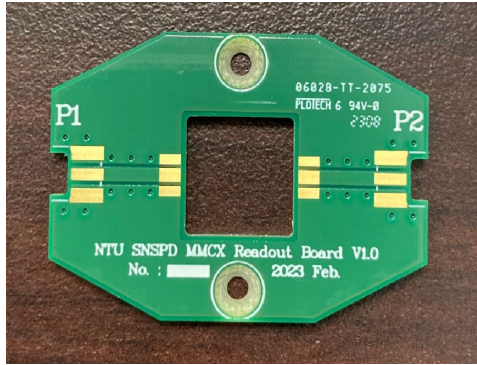


After Etching → NbN Nanowire

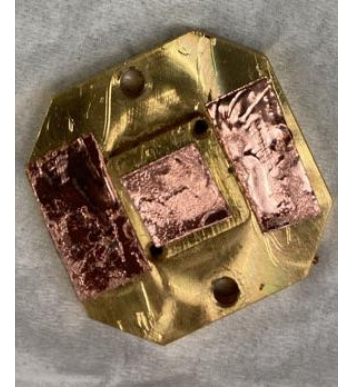


SNSPD Characterization Setup

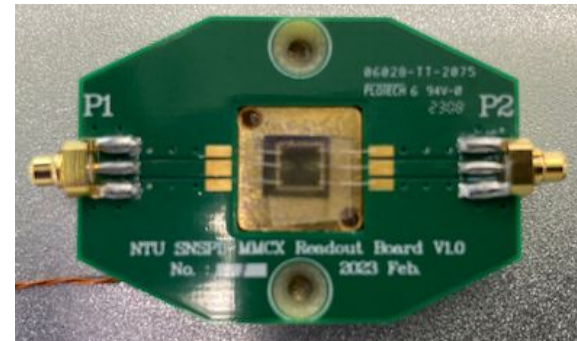
SNSPD Device Preparation



Gold-plated Mount



SNSPD Device



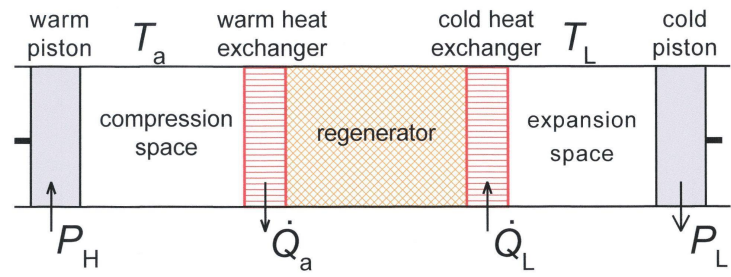
Wirebond: Ouchen

2 Channel SNSPD Readout PCB

Grounded Coplanar Waveguide (GCPW)
MMCX connector
Designer: Hsin-Yeh, Wu
Drawn by: Jenny Huang
Fabrication: Plotech

Cryogenics

Cryocooler: Stirling Refrigerator



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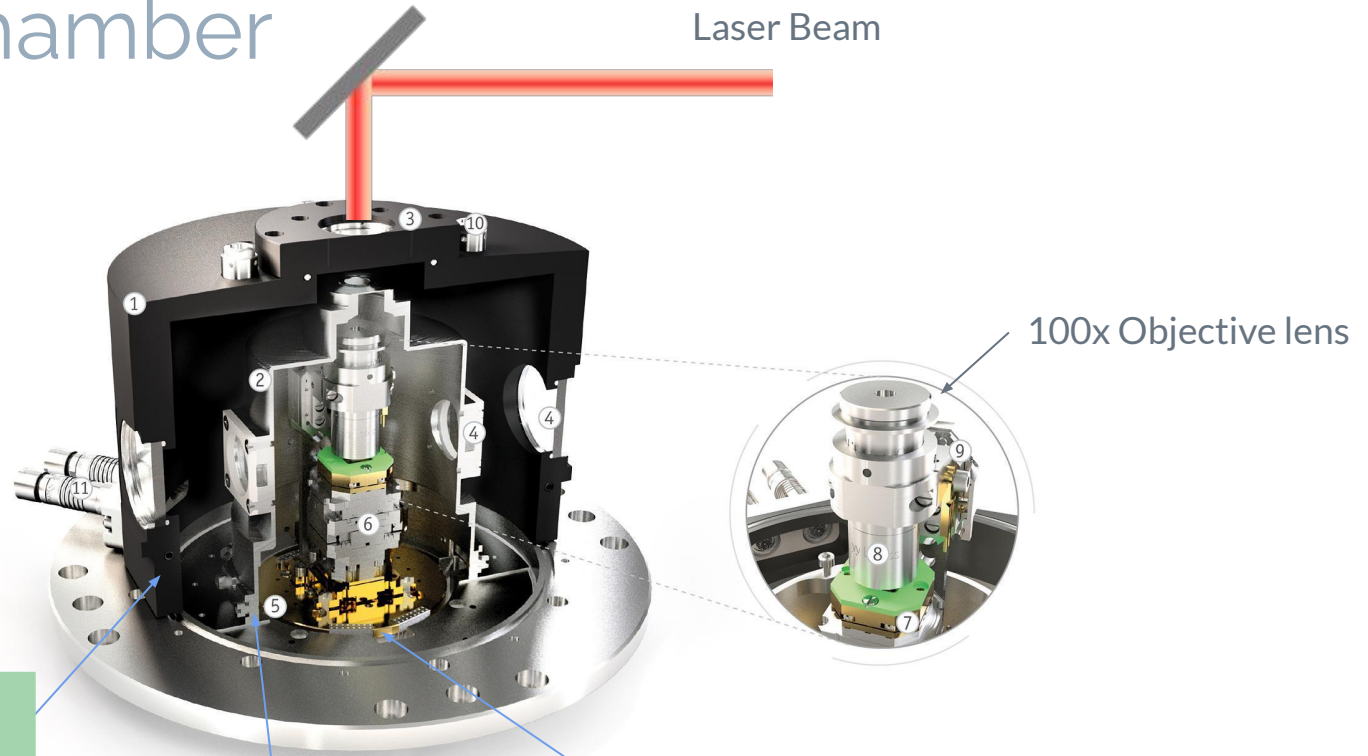
Pulsetube
 Optical table implemented
@ Prof. Yu-Rong Lu's Lab (AS)



- 01 optical table (included)
- 02 cryocooler
- 03 cold breadboard
- 04 customizable vacuum shroud
- 05 touchscreen user interface
- 06 obstruction free work space

Vacuum chamber

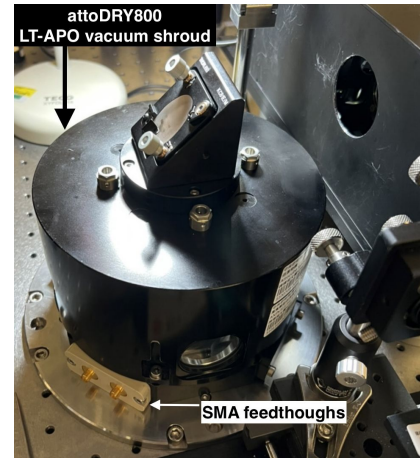
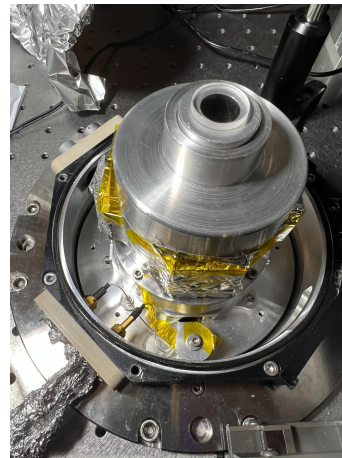
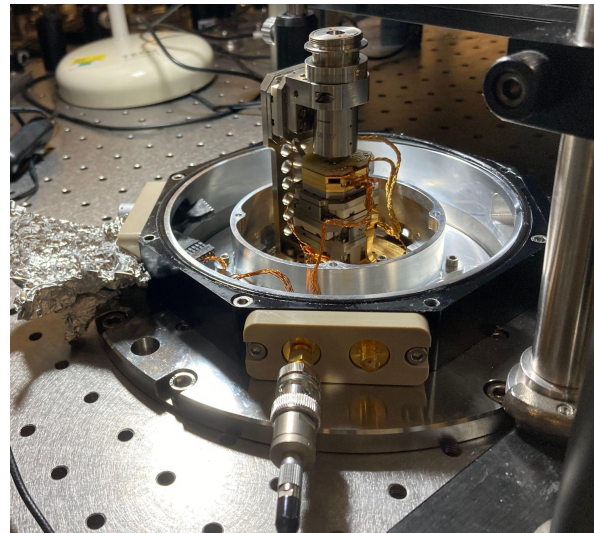
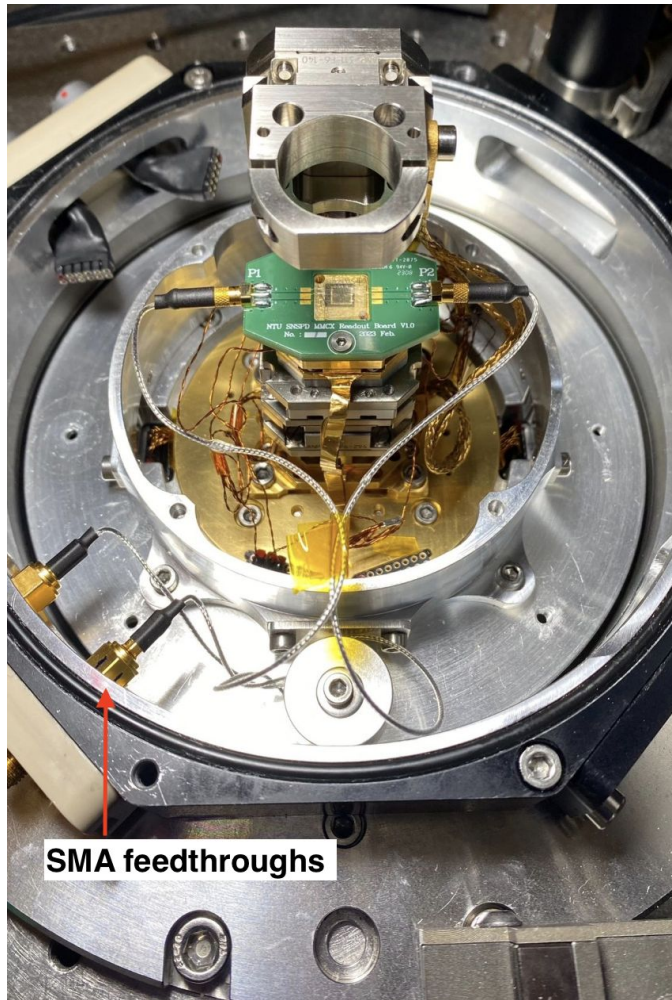
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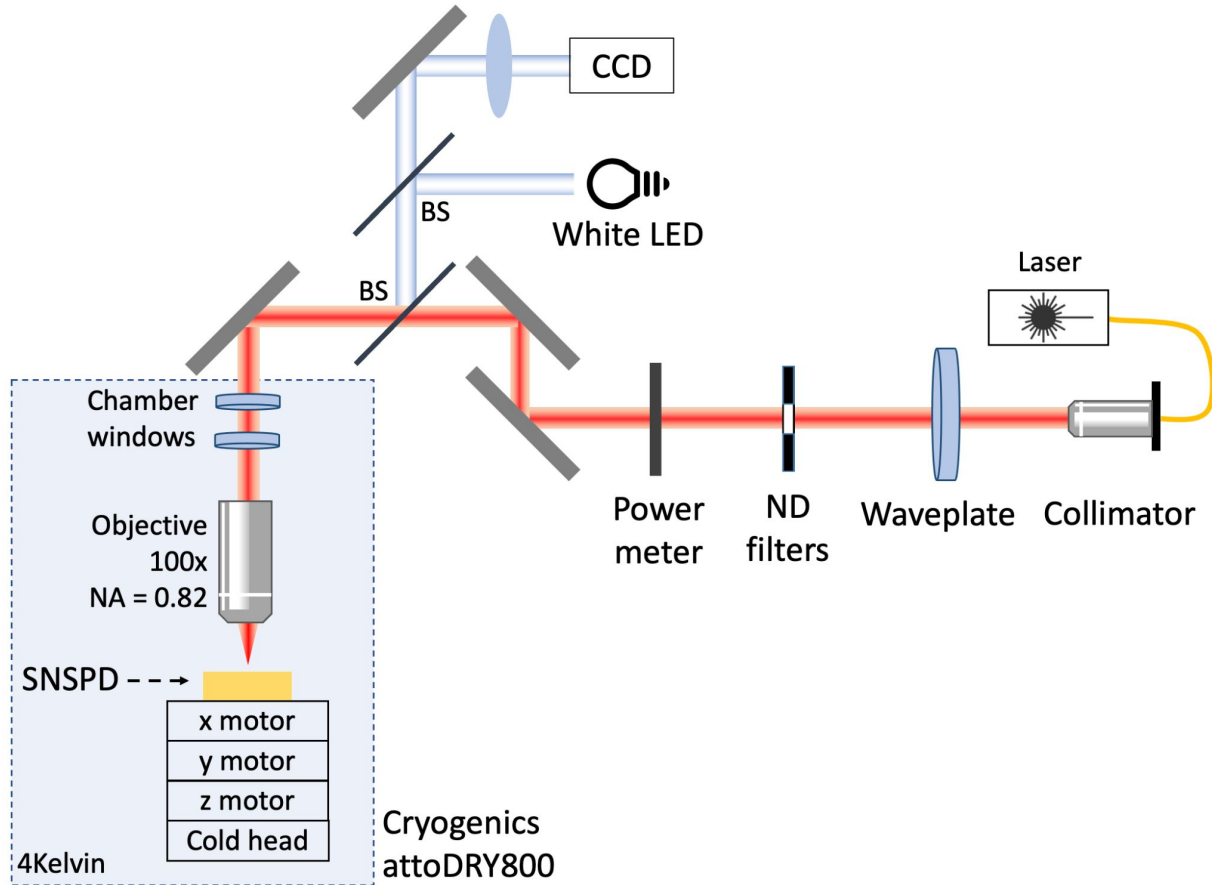
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Vacuum Shroud

40K
Cold Shield

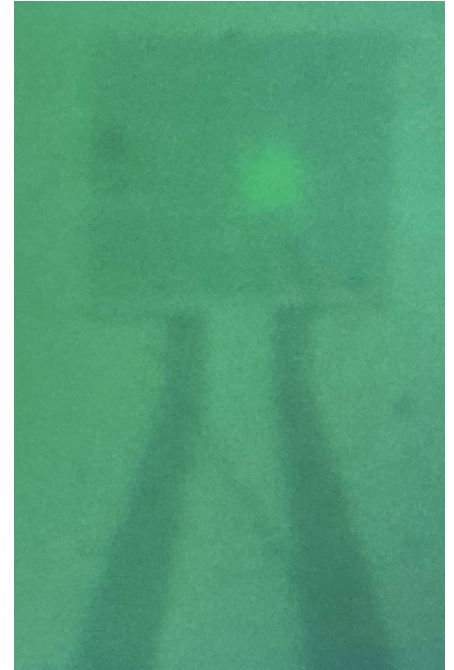
4K
Sample Holder
with T-sensors & xyz motor



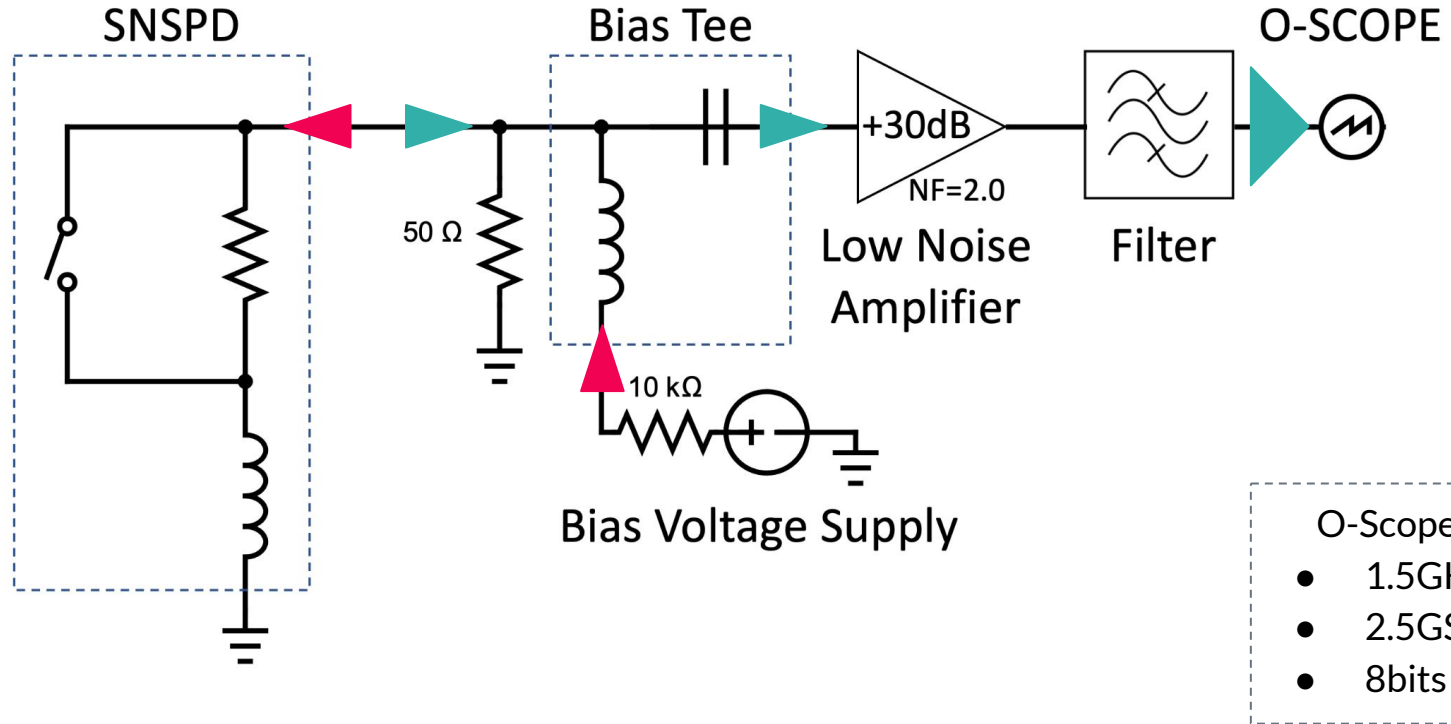
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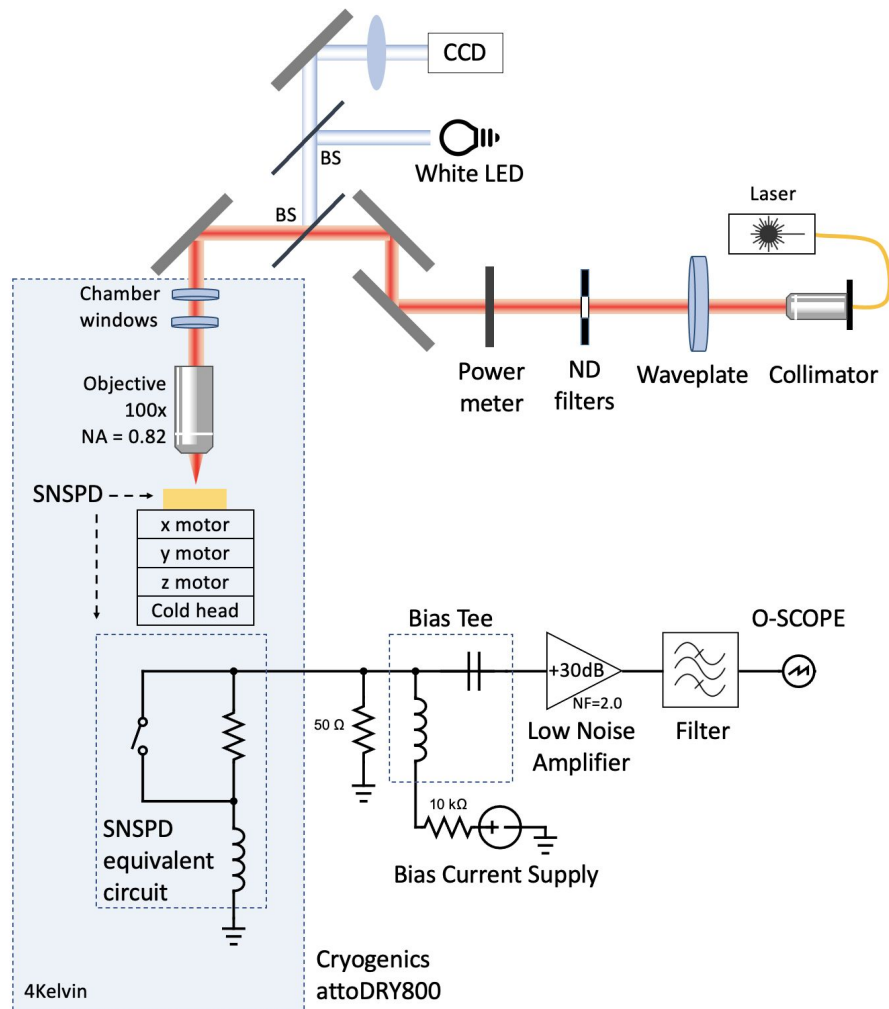


CCD Image



Electrical Setup





CW Laser Configuration

Laser

- 532nm CW
- 100 μ W

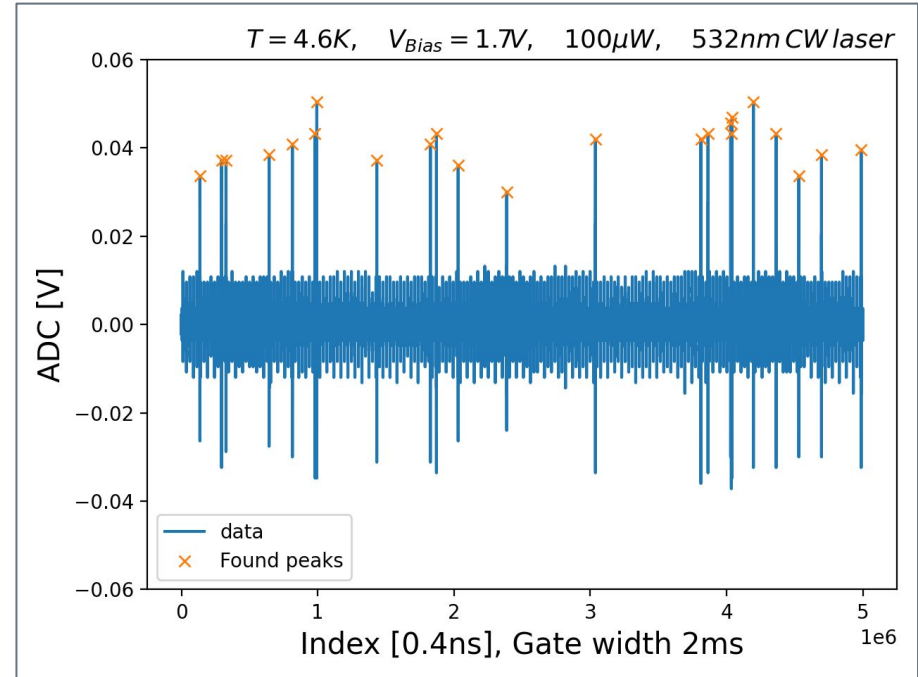
Oscilloscope

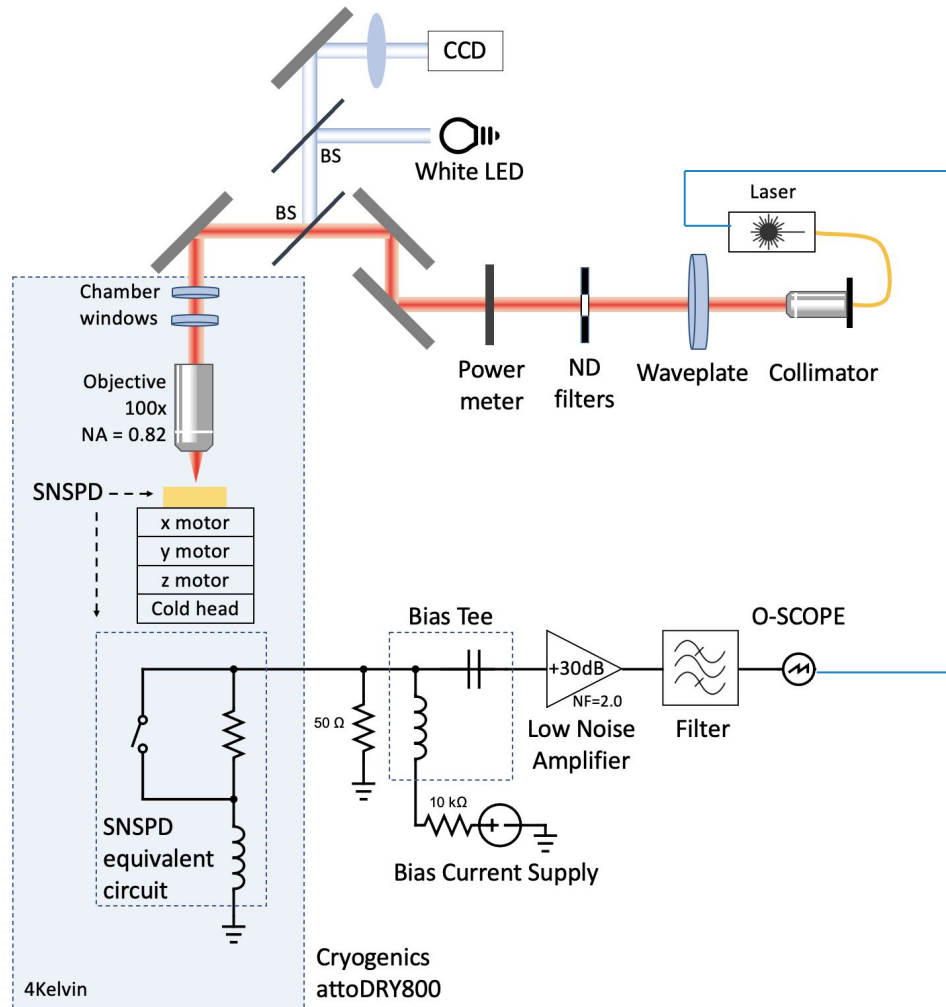
- Sampling Rate: 2.5GS/s (0.4ns)
- Time Gate: 5M Samples \rightarrow 2milisecond

Counting

- Peak finding
- Threshold: 20mV
- Peak Minimum Distance: 40ns

1 Oscilloscope Time Gate





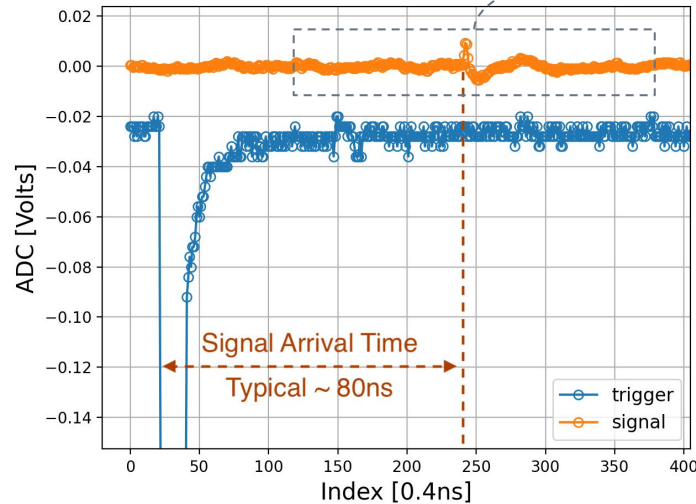
Pulsed Laser SYNC

Cryogenics
attoDRY800

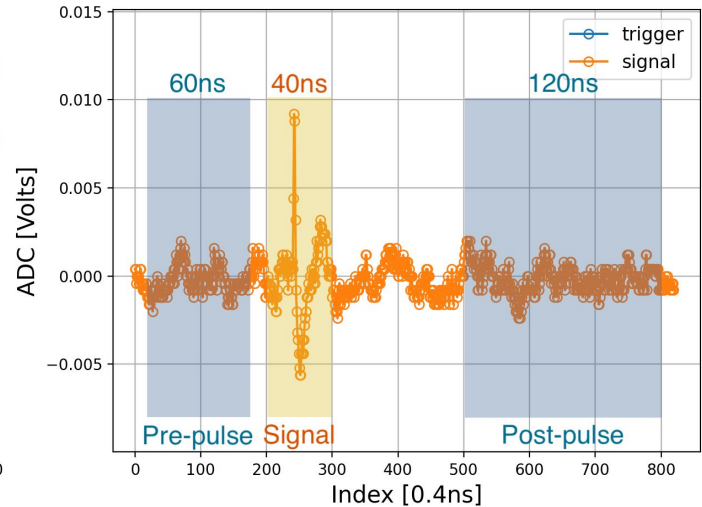
Pulse Data Taking

Pulse Laser Repetition Rate: 2.5MHz (400ns)
Pulse Laser Width: 100ps
Oscilloscope Sampling Rate: 2.5GHz (0.4ns)
Trigger: Laser Sync
Signal: Amplified SNSPD output

Event Display:



Sub-window of
1 Laser Trigger



Define Signal &
Sideband Region

Event Selection & Signal Reconstruction

- Signal Reconstruction within the Signal Region

- Cubic spline fit → turn the discrete data points into continuous function
- Differentiate the spline function → Find turning points

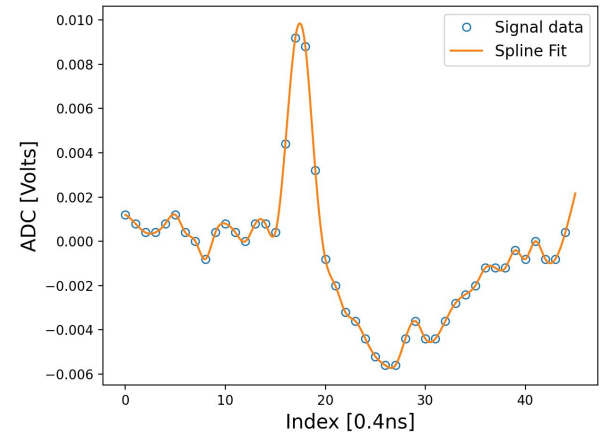
- Variables

- Amplitude = Voltage range (including overshoot)
- Pulse arrival time = time of 50% voltage level of rising slope
- Rise time = Time interval between 10%-90% of rising slope

- Event Selection

- Signal Amplitude > 3mV
- Voltage Differentiate at rising slope > 2mV/sample

$$\text{Detection Efficiency} = \frac{N_{\text{Event Selection}}}{N_{\text{Event PreSelection}}}$$

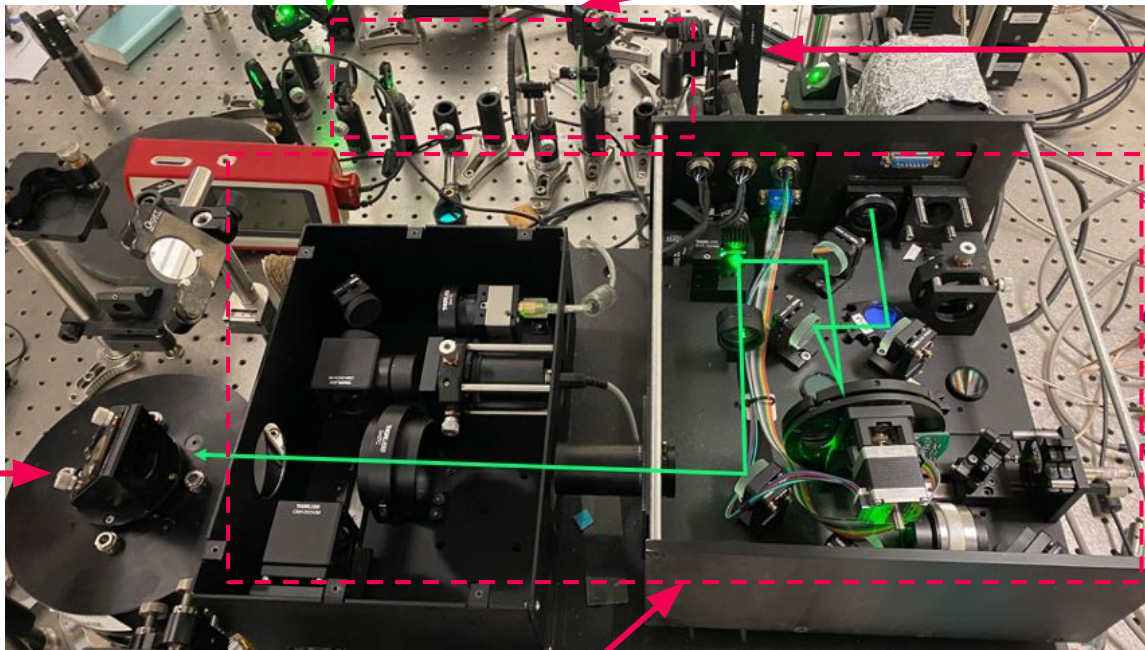


(1) Lasers:
Switch input source manually
with blocks and mirrors

(2) ND Filters Series:
Including fixed & variational ND filters

(3) Optical power meter:
Mounted on a 90°
Manual Flip Mount

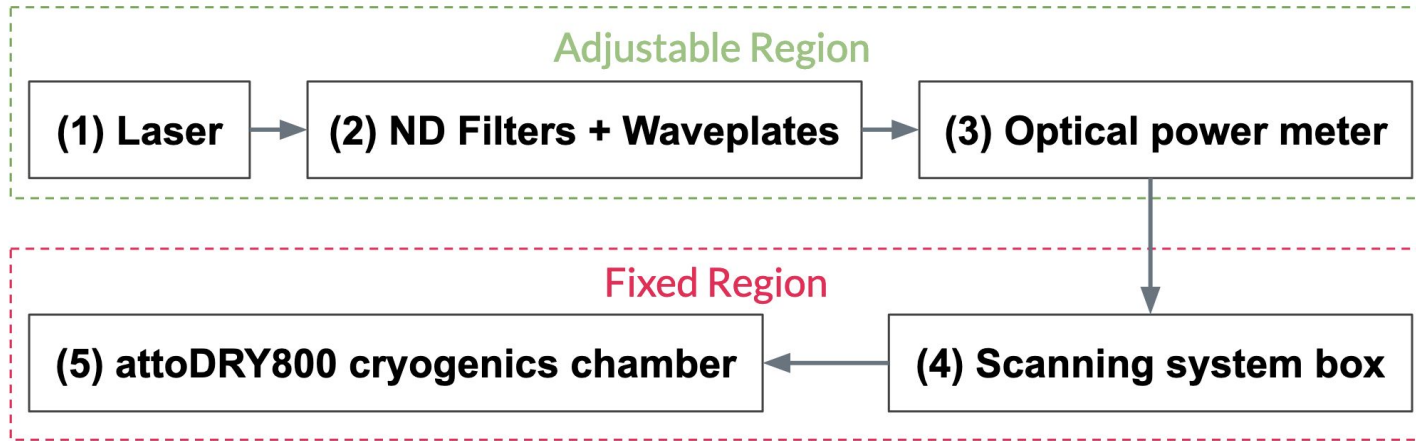
(5)
attoDRY800
cryogenics
chamber



(4) Scanning system box
(actual use irrelevant to us, but it contributes to power attenuation)

Transmission Factor Tests

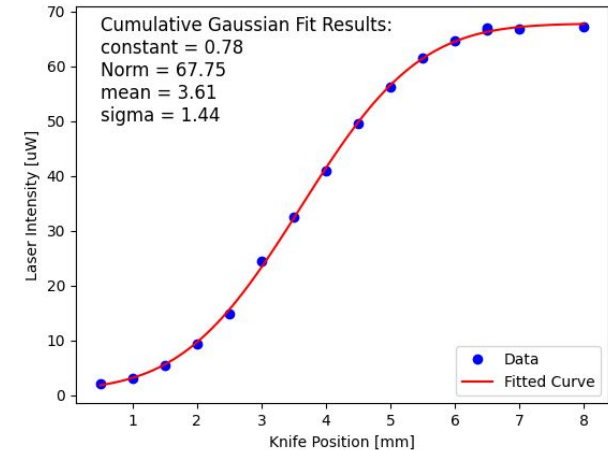
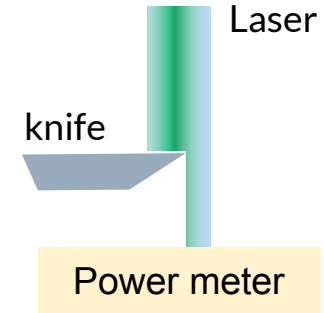
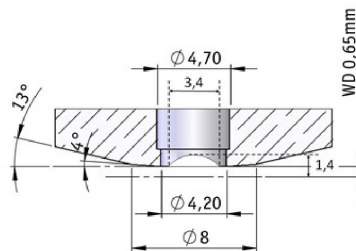
$$P_{\text{sample}} = P_{\text{laser}} \times T_{\text{total}}^{\lambda} = P_{\text{Power meter}} \times T_{\text{Fixed Region}}^{\lambda}$$



$$T_{\text{Fixed Region}} = T_{\text{ScanningBox}} \times 2T_{\text{window}} \times T_{\text{objective lens}} \times A_{\text{objective lens}} \times A_{\text{sample}}$$

Laser beam size - Knife Edge technique

- Laser beam size is broadened by a laser beam expander in the black box. The size will be larger than the objective lens clear aperture, so laser will be blocked partially
Currently the expander is fixed and cannot be removed.
- LT-APO/VIS/0.82 Objective lens apperture : 4.7mm
- Assuming the laser is collimated to the center of the objective lens
→ Laser within apperture 4.7mm ($\pm 1.63\sigma$) : 89.68%



Transmission calibration

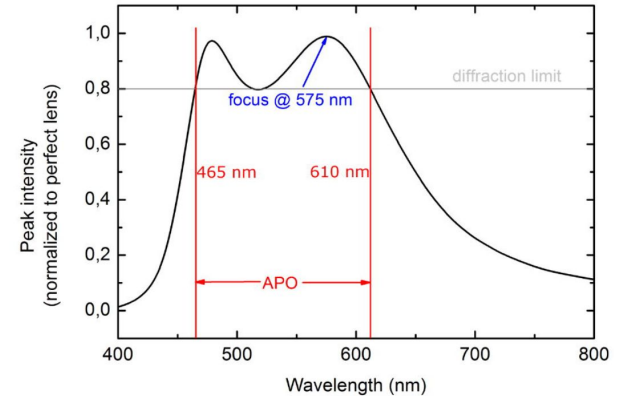
- $T_{\text{black box}}$ calibrated with 532 pulse laser \rightarrow 80%
- $T_{\text{Objective lens}}$ from spec @~532 \rightarrow 80%
- T_{Window} 90% at visible light
- A_{sample} corresponds to how well we focus the laser to the sample. Since the Rayleigh length after the objective lens is very short (several nm) and we see a clear image of the laser beam focused in the center of the sample \rightarrow We assume now that A_{sample} is 1

$$T_{\text{chamber + black box}} = T_{\text{black box}} \times 2T_{\text{window}} \times T_{\text{objective lens}} \times A_{\text{objective lens}} \times$$

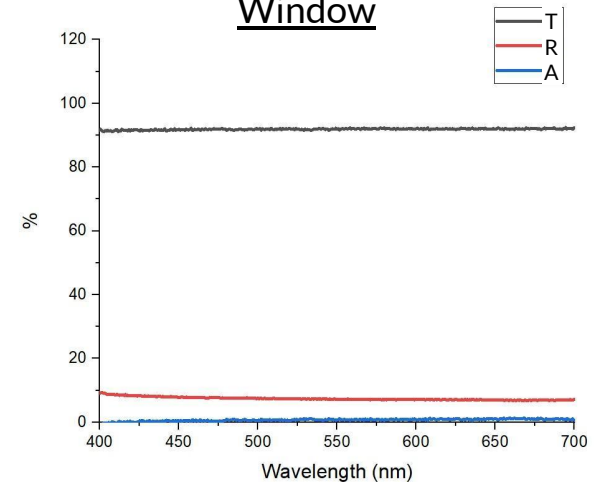
$$A_{\text{sample}}$$

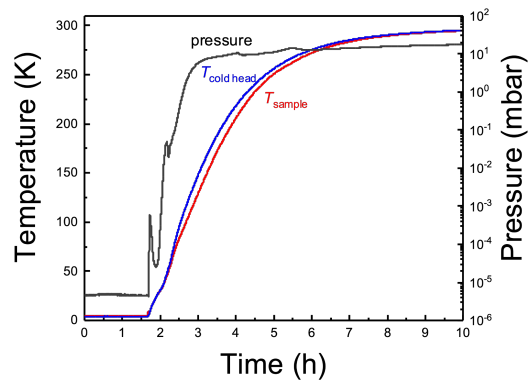
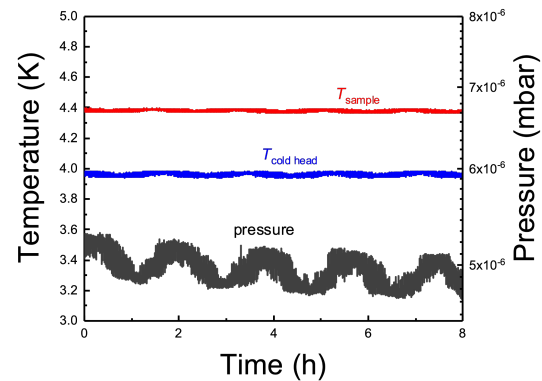
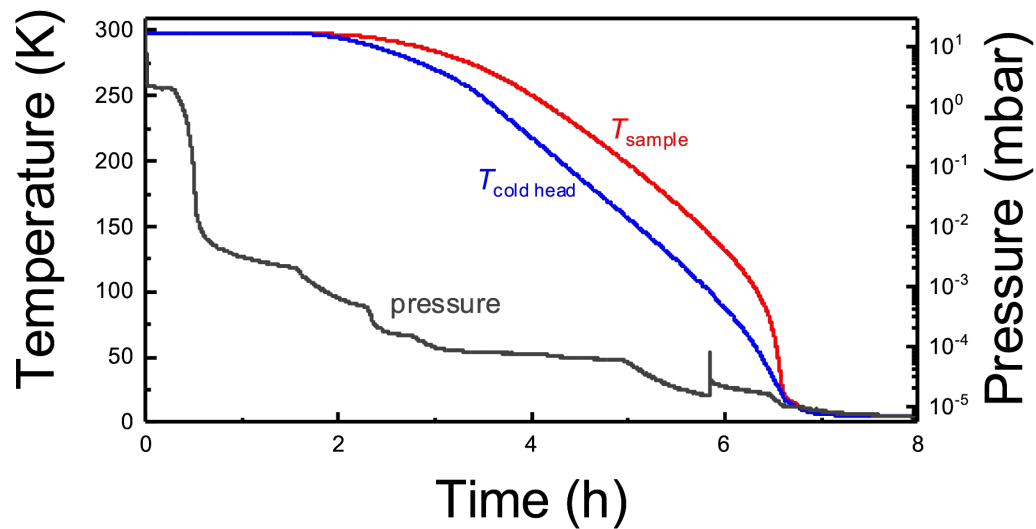
$$\rightarrow T_{\text{chamber + black box}} = 46\%$$

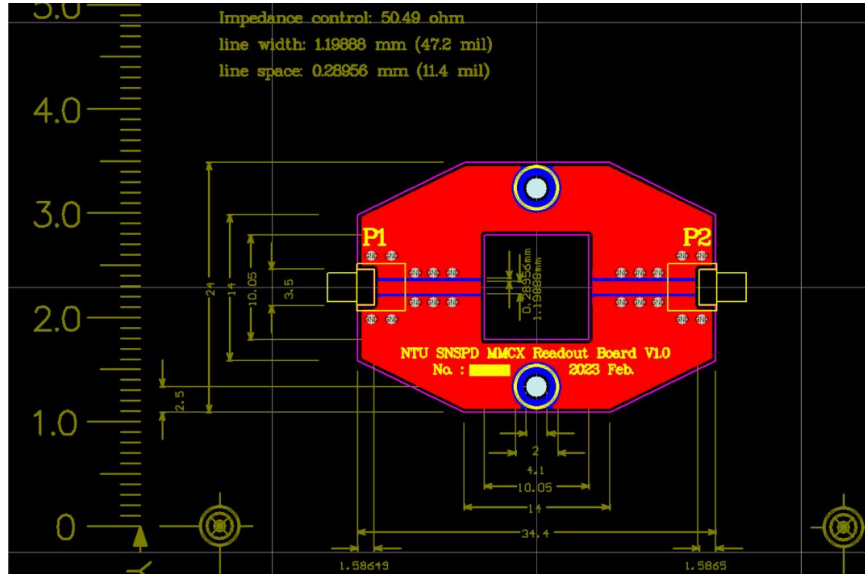
Objective lens



Window



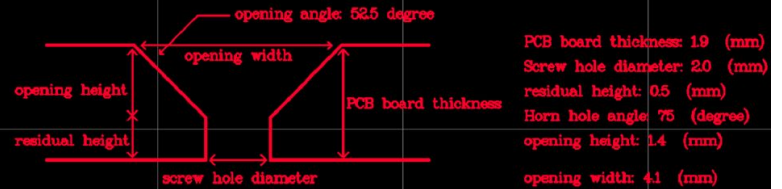




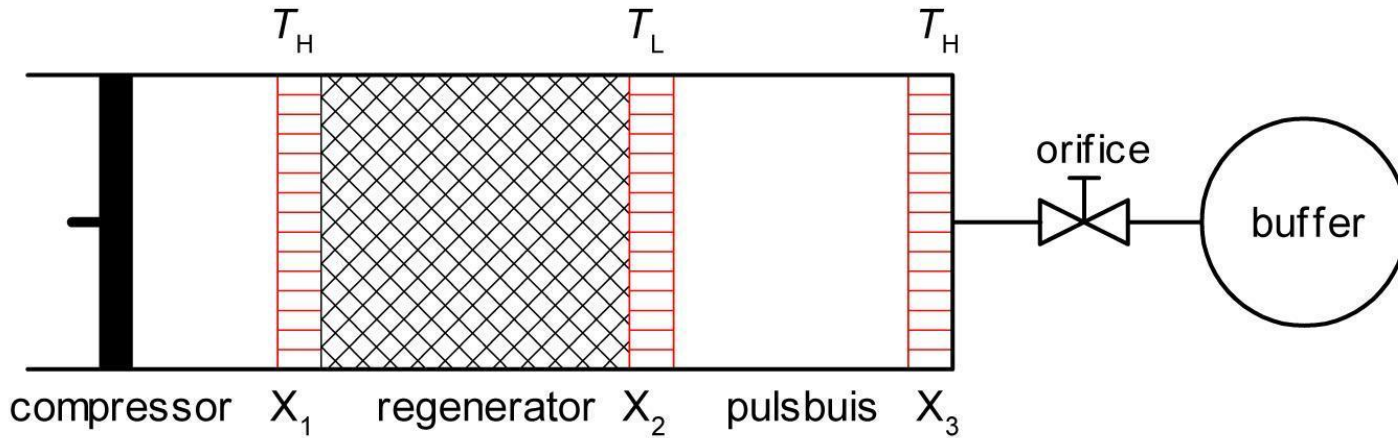
Layer Stackup Instructions

Layer	Stackup	Cu	Material	Thickness
			solder mask	0.7 mil
L1	Top layer	1.0 oz	Cu+Plating	1.6 mil
			Prepreg	6.2 mil
			Core	67.8 mil
			Prepreg	6.2 mil
L2	Bottom layer	1.0 oz	Cu+Plating	1.6 mil
			solder mask	0.7 mil
Overall Thickness				74.8 mil
				1.90 (mm)

Instructions for making flat head screw holes (2mm, NPTH, 2 pcs):



Pulsetube



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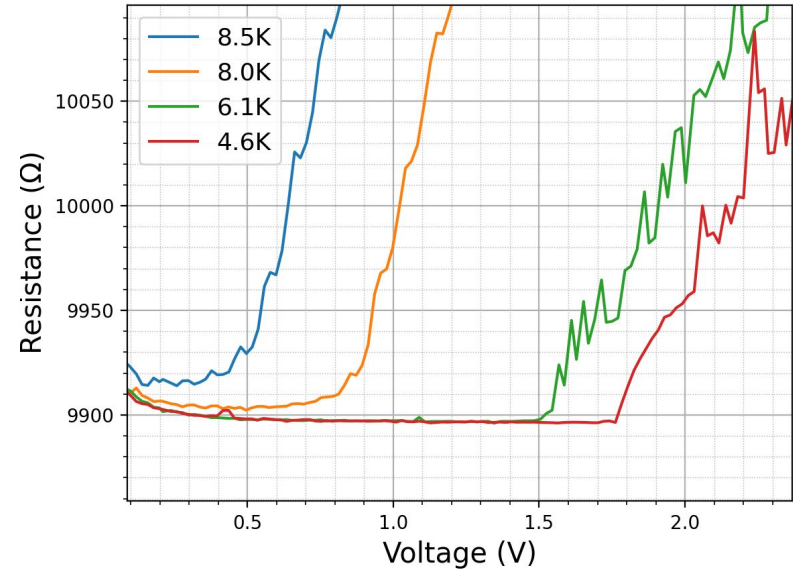
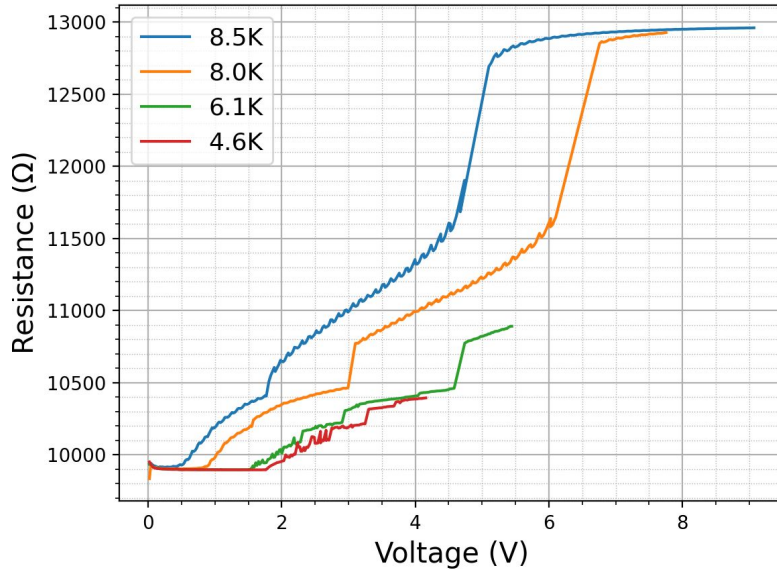
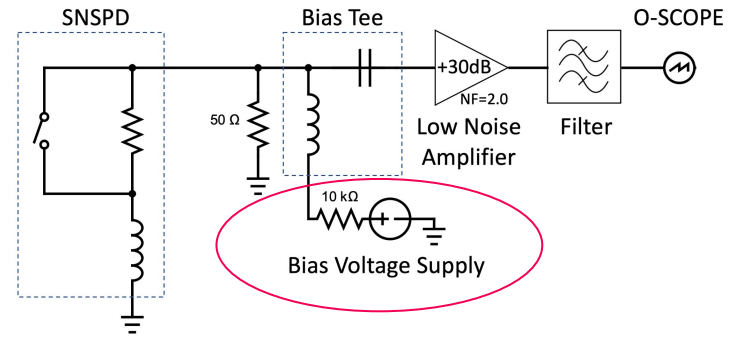
- Inductance is the tendency of an electrical conductor to oppose a change in the electric current flowing through it.
- Kinetic inductance originates from the inertial mass of mobile charge carriers
- Kinetic inductance is observed in high carrier mobility conductors (e.g. superconductors)

$$\frac{1}{2}(2m_e v^2)(n_s l A) = \frac{1}{2} L_K I^2$$

$$L_K = \left(\frac{m_e}{2n_s e^2} \right) \left(\frac{l}{A} \right)$$

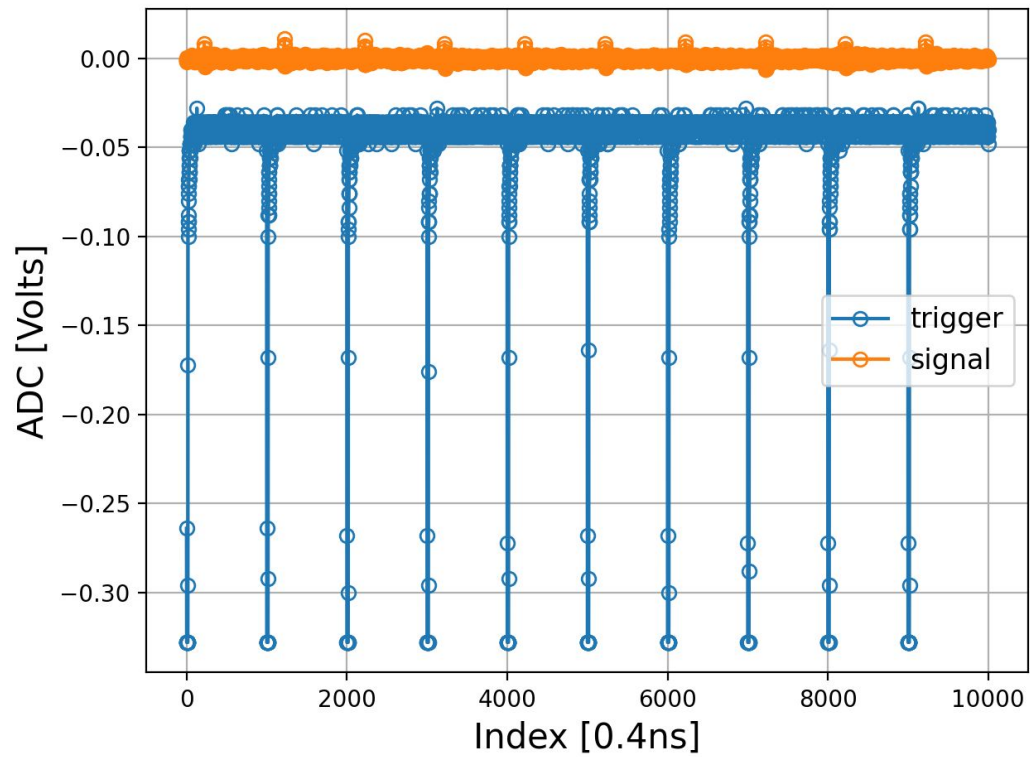
VR Curve w/ 10k Ω

- 10k Ω resistor in series with bias voltage source
- Translate bias current to voltage
- Critical Voltage @ 4.6K ~ 1.76V



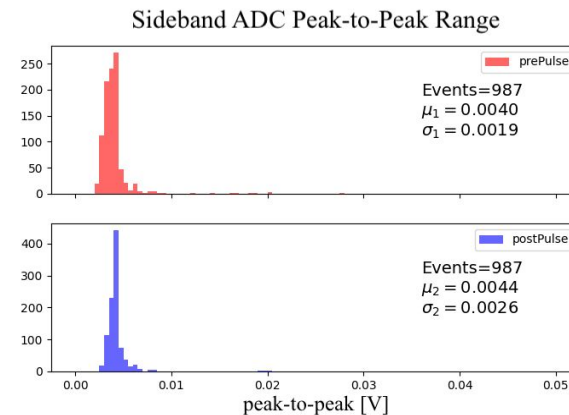
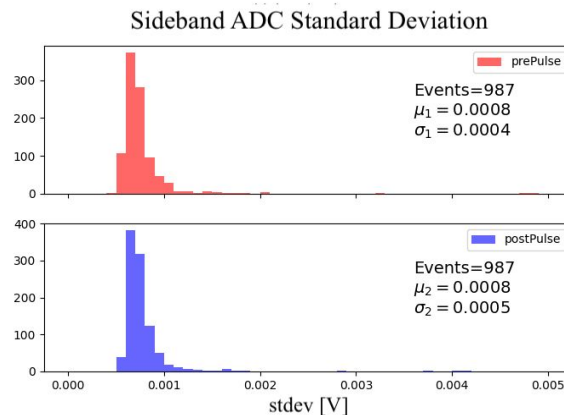
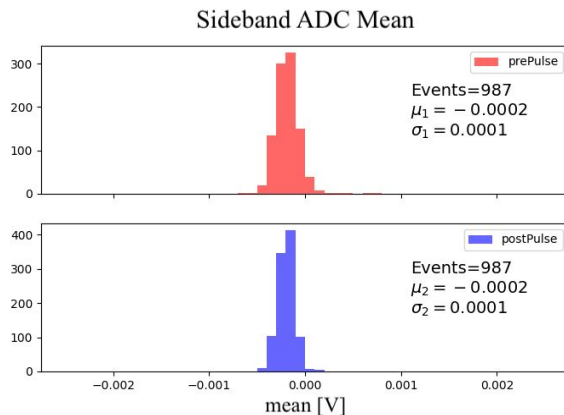
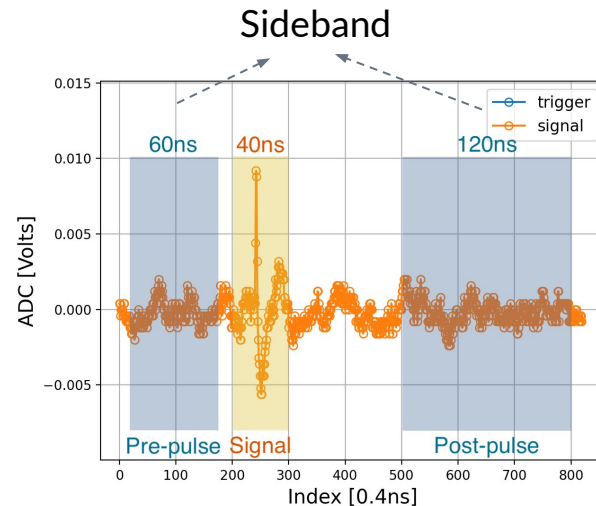
1 Oscilloscope Event

4 μ s Window \rightarrow 10 Laser Triggers



Sideband Analysis

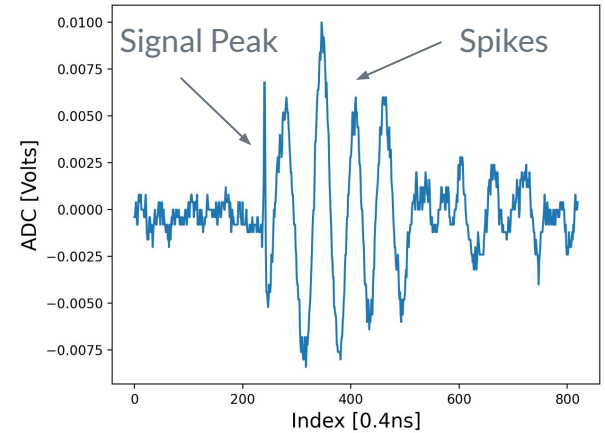
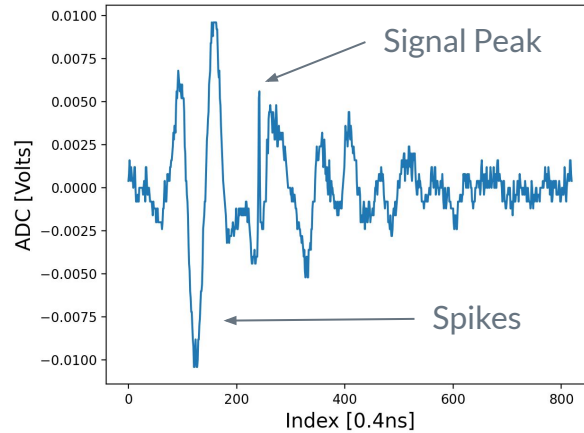
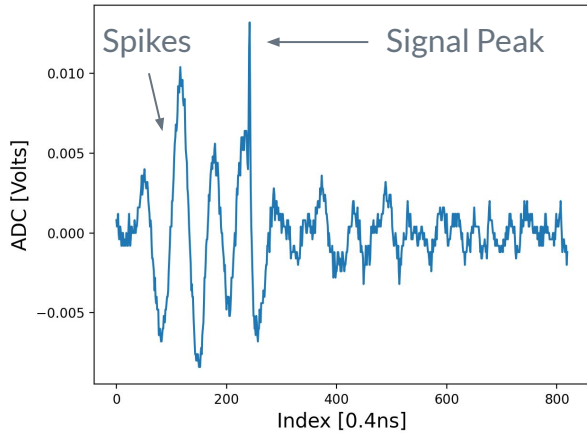
- Baseline Voltage (Mean) : $-0.2\text{mV} \pm 0.1\text{mV}$
- Average Noise (Std): $0.8\text{mV} \pm 0.4\text{mV}$
- Noise Peak-to-Peak / Random Spikes (Range): $4\text{mV} \pm 2\text{mV}$
- Sideband analysis with and without signal
 - Similar results \rightarrow Noise is uncorrelated to the signal

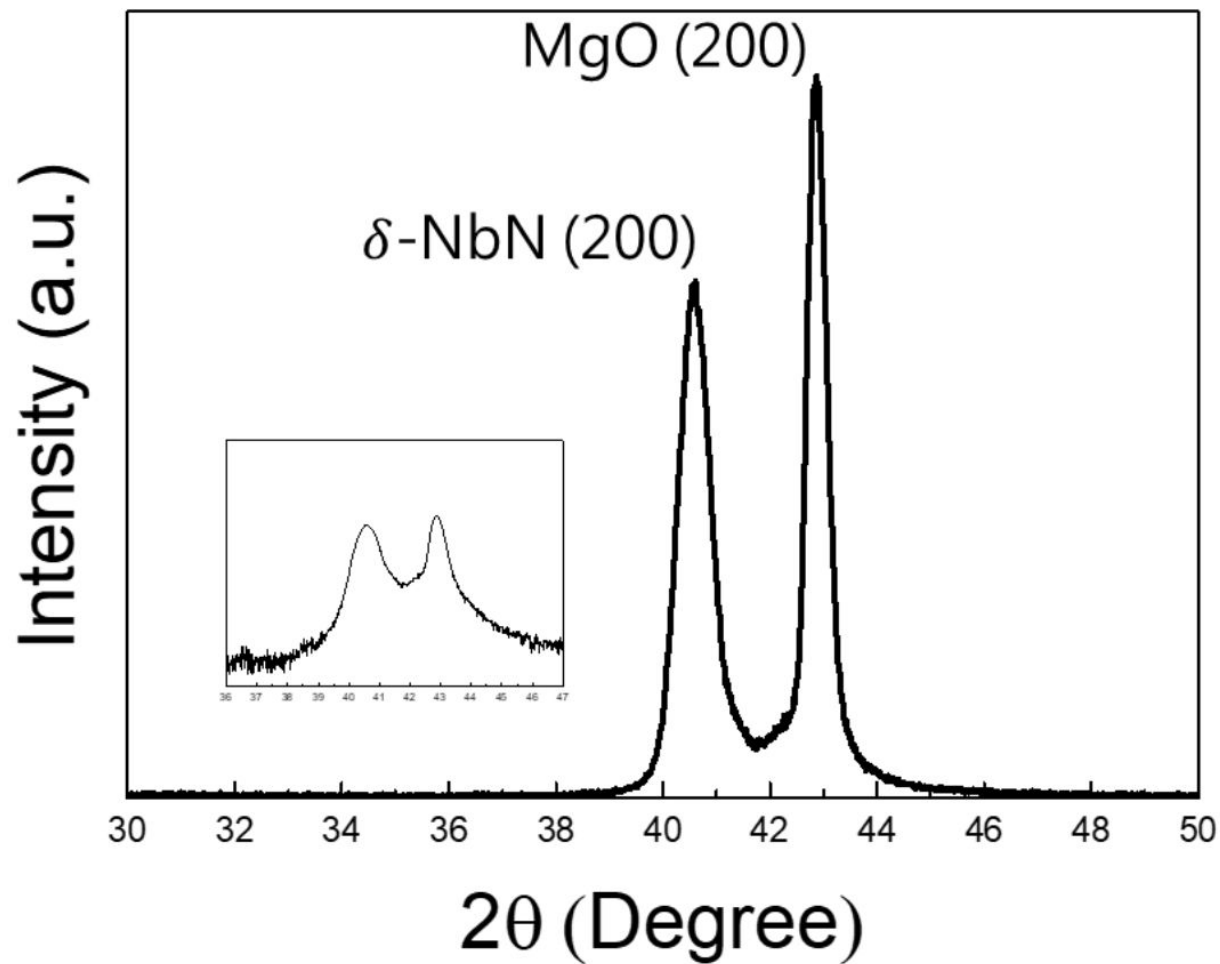


Event Pre-Selection

- Sideband Peak-to-Peak Range < 3mV
- Sideband Average Noise < 2mV

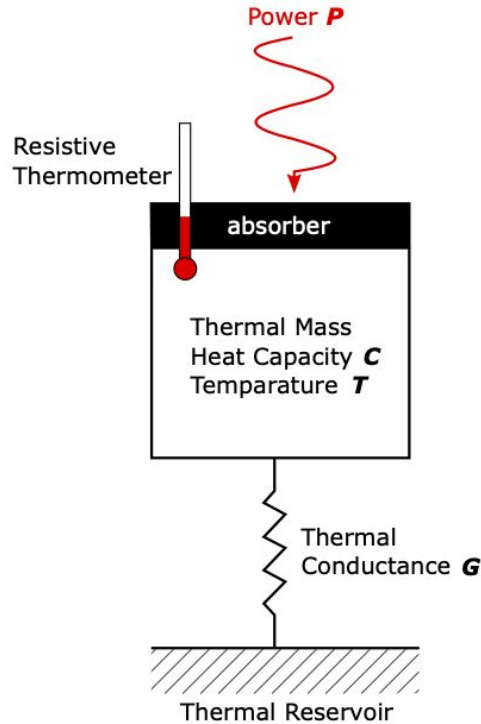
Remove laser events with large noise/spikes



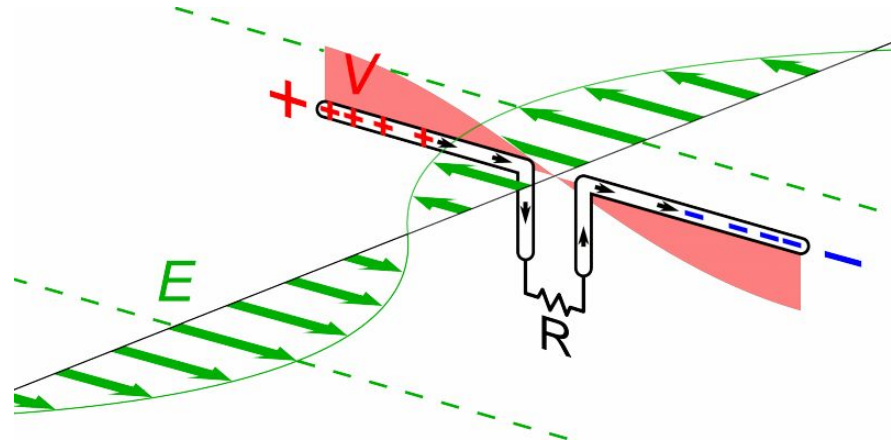


Collective Detection → Electromagnetic wave

Bolometer



Antenna



Discoveries in particle physics

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AGS BNL (1960)	π N interactions	Two kinds of neutrinos Time reversal non-symmetry charm quark
FNAL Batavia (1970)	Neutrino Physics	bottom quark top quark
SLAC Spear (1970)	ep, QED	Partons, charm quark tau lepton
ISR CERN (1980)	pp	Increasing pp cross section
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Comparing SC Single Photon Detectors @1550nm

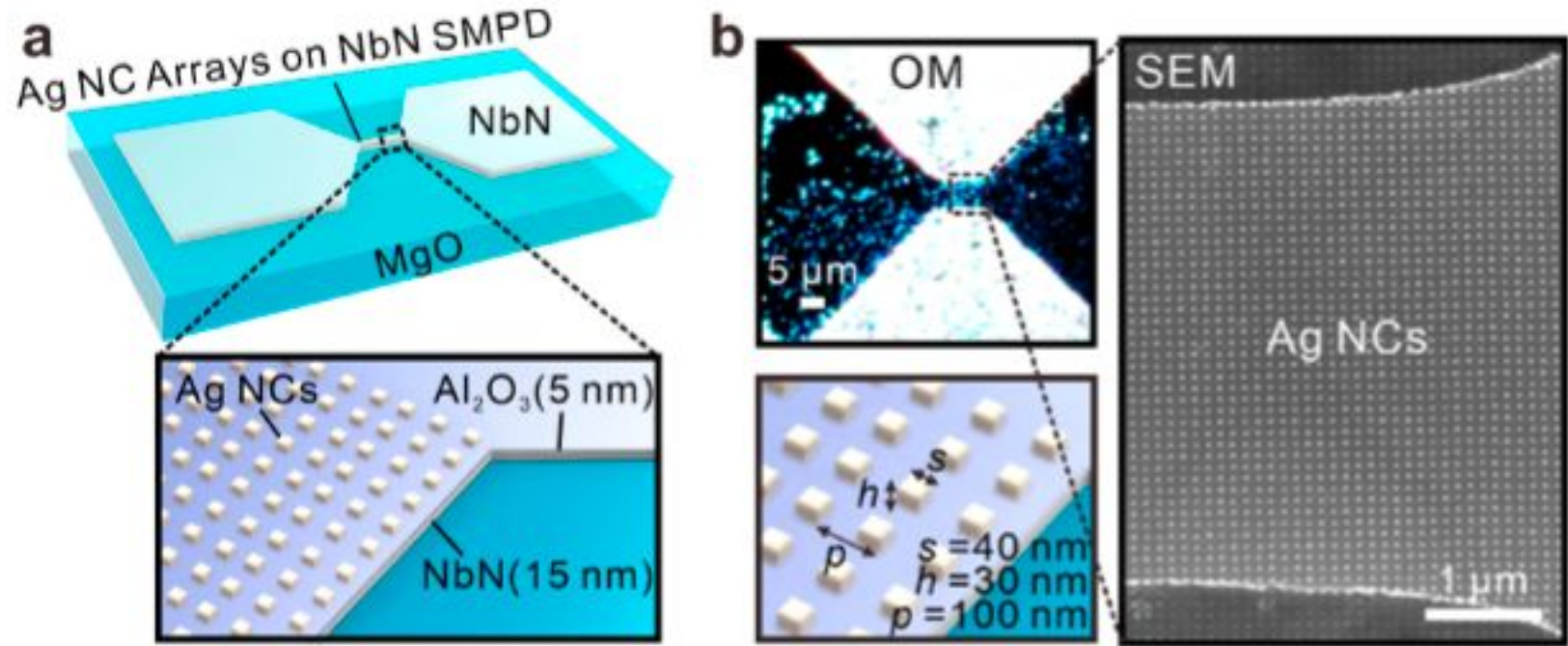
Journal of Lightwave Technology 40, 7578–7597 (2022).

Figure of Merit	SNSPD	TES	MKID	STJ
Efficiency	99.5%	98%	17%	20%
Number resolution	5	29	7	/
Recovery time	80ps	75ns	50 μ s	20 μ s
Timing jitter	2.6ps	30ns	1 μ s	1 μ s
Dark counts (Hz)	0.01	0.0086	/	/
Maximum count rate	1.5x10 ⁹	10 ⁵	2x10 ³	10 ⁴
Number of “pixels”	1024	36	20440	120

Optimal detector for quantum communication with fiber optics

Gap-plasmon Superconducting “Microwire” Single Photon Detector

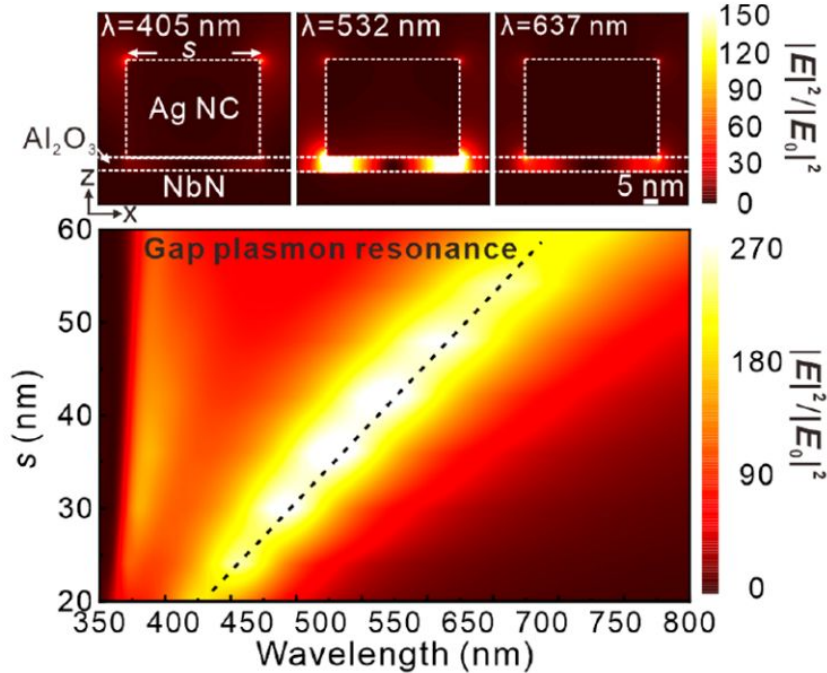
Gap-Plasmon-Enhanced SC Microwires



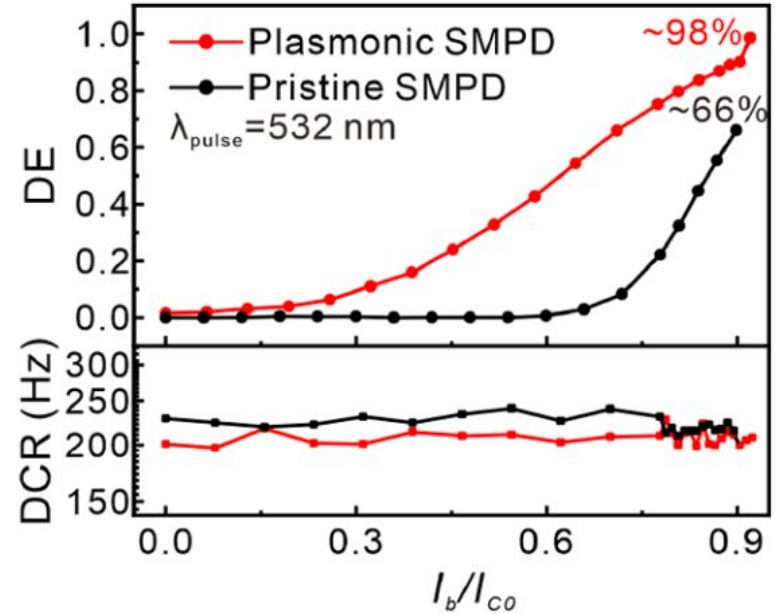
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Results

FDTD Simulation



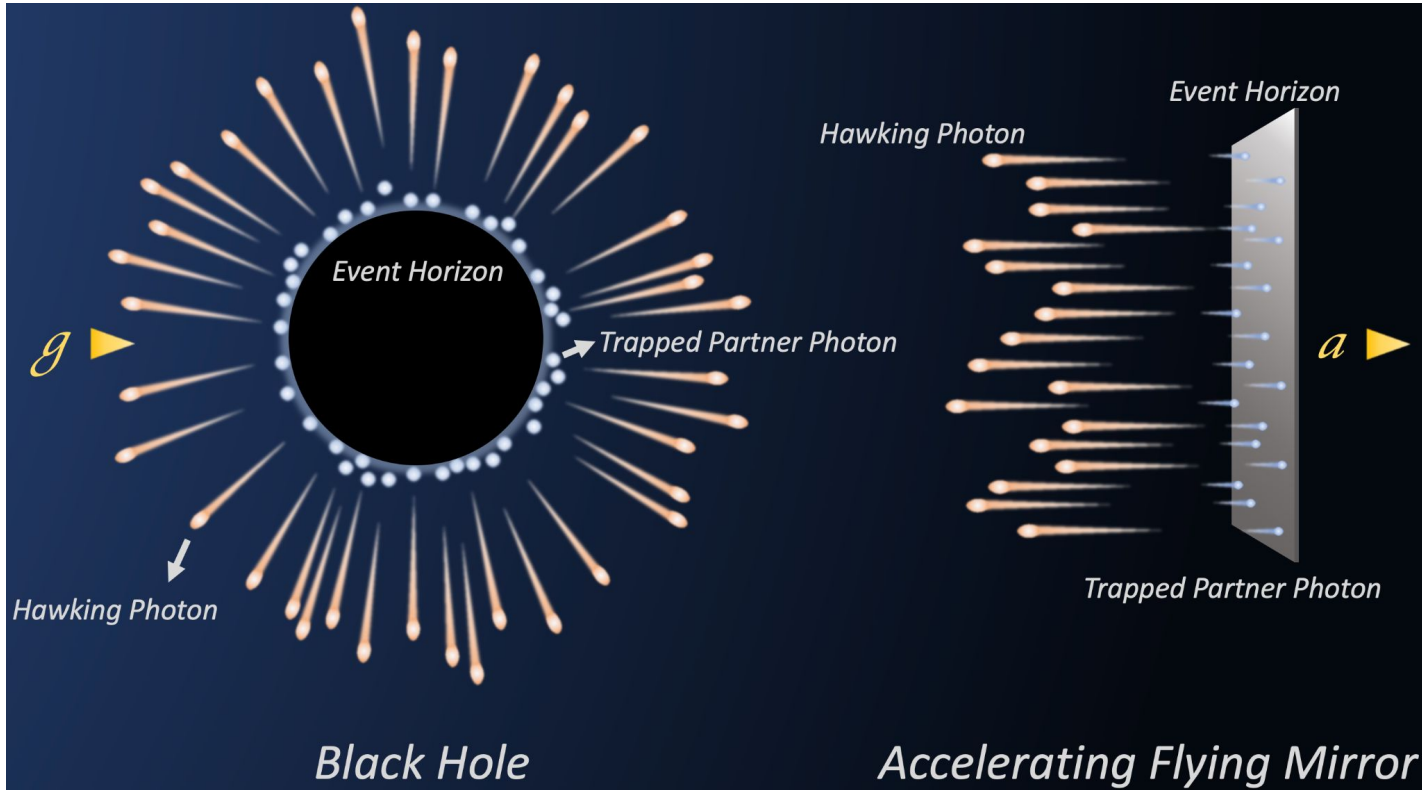
Detection efficiency



Gap-plasmonics nanocubes may lead us to sensitivity in longer wavelengths!

Analog Black Hole

Chen, P. & Mourou, G. Phys. Rev. Lett. 118, 045001 (2017).



Equivalence Principle