Magnetic Sensor (3C)

- Josephson Effect
- Magnetic Flux Quantum
- SQUID sensor

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Tunnel Junction

The SIS-junction

- 2 <u>bulky</u> superconductors
- separated by a thin insulating layers

Cooper pair

- a weak attraction between electrons in crystal
- electrons with *opposite* spin and momentum
- free particle wavefunction model

Cooper pairs may tunnel through the layer

→ current flows

DC Josephson Effect (1)

DC Josephson Effect

• constant current $(I < I_c)$

 $I = I_c \sin \theta$

- Cooper pairs on each side of junction
- penetrating into insulating region
- locking together in phase

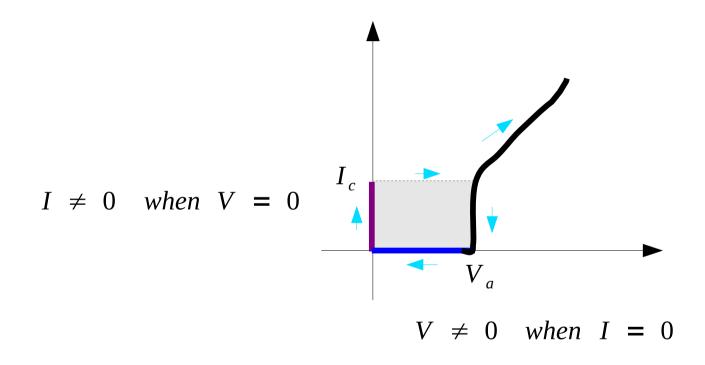
Current proportional to the phase difference of the wavefunctions can flow in the junction without a voltage drop.

$$I \neq 0$$
 when $V = 0$

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DC Josephson Effect (2)

DC Josephson Effect



AC Josephson Effect

AC Josephson Effect

- when DC voltage is applied to the junction
- Oscillation of Josephson frequency at the junction
- The phase varies linearly with times
- The current is AC

$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = \frac{2qV}{h} = f \qquad V = \frac{h}{2q} \frac{d\theta}{dt}$$

$$I(t) = I_c \sin\left(\frac{2qV}{h} \cdot t\right)$$

Flux Quantization

The magnetic flux

- through a bulk superconducting loop
- Quantized in units of Φ_0

$$\phi = n \cdot \phi_0 = \frac{n \cdot h}{2e}$$

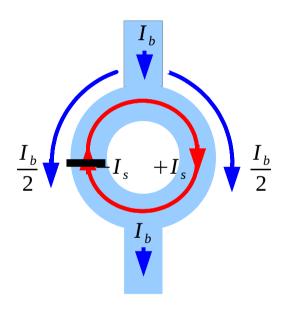
Magnetic Flux Quantum

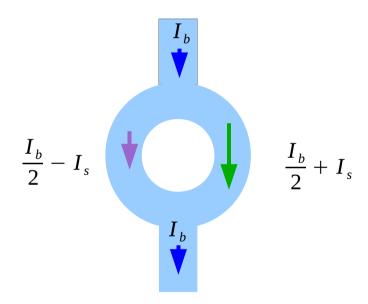
• min magnetic flux: Φ_0

$$\phi_0 = \frac{h}{2e}$$

$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = \frac{2qV}{h} = f$$

SQUID





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