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YQAR3D: hYbrid Quantum system: spin waves & microwave cAvities pRinted in 3D

Postdoctoral fellow (2 years)

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CONTEXT

The two years contract is funded at 75% by the **Région Bretagne** and 25% from **industrial partners**: ELLIPTIKA and THALES DMS. The project, **YQAR3D**, aims to develop a hybrid system composed of a magnetic resonator and a resonant micro-cavity produced by 3D printing for the development of a new class of tunable filters. The innovative tuning function (in addition to conventional tuning elements) will be achieved by the control of a specific coupling regime between these two resonators, called "**strong coupling**". This regime is characterized by a coupling strength which is greater than the average energy loss in both resonators. These considerations are universal and apply to all types of resonances. A strong coupling regime has been already observed between **photons** and various excitations of condensed matter, such as electrons, phonons, plasmons, superconducting qubits, and **magnons**.

In recent years, a new light-matter interaction platform [1-2] has been developed by combining microwave photons residing in a resonant cavity with magnons from a magnetic material like Yttrium Iron Garnet (YIG). The use of a standard 3D cavity for microwave applications purpose, based on this specific platform, seems difficult to combine with concepts of integration, compactness, and miniaturization. In **YQAR3D** project, we propose to take advantage of the geometric configuration of **re-entrant microwave cavity** to counterbalance this problem, which is becoming more and more critical by reducing the working frequency. Microwave re-entrant cavities offer many advantages in terms of frequency tunability, volume reduction, control of the microwave magnetic field distribution, while keeping a high Q factor.

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The postdoctoral fellow will have to improve and optimize this very first prototype of metallized plastic micro-cavity to meet the objective set:

- ✓ Proof of concept of 3D printed tunable filter based on re-entrant cavities, adjustable inner posts, iris aperture, and magnon-photon coupling control.

3D printing prototyping offers new degrees of freedom compared to conventional manufacturing technologies. It is possible to produce complex, more compact, and lighter objects. In addition, it offers the opportunity of integrating tunable devices such as magnetic field generation and mechanical elements. Nevertheless, the most attractive features of **YQAR3D** are listed below:

- ✓ Ability to quickly adjust and produce new re-entrant cavities taking into account the simulation and measurement data. All the data gathered around the 3D prototyping will make it possible to build precise specifications, thus promoting a transfer to larger scale production
- ✓ Overview of the coupling regime dependencies as function of the volume of YIG, volume of the cavity, electric and magnetic losses and frequency in an original cavity design
- ✓ The strong coupling between photons and magnons emerged as a potential candidate for implementing quantum transducers and memories [1]-[3]
- ✓ Opens a new world of solutions for 3D tunable filters

[1] D. Zhang, X. Luo, Y. Wang, T. Li, and J. Q. You, Observation of the exceptional point in cavity magnon-polaritons, Nature Communications, 8, 1368 (2017)

[2] Y. Tabuchi, S. Ishino, T. Ishikawa, R. Yamazaki, K. Usami, and Y. Nakamura, Hybridizing Ferromagnetic Magnons and Microwave Photons in the Quantum Limit, Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 083603 (2014)

[3] Y. Tabuchi, S. Ishino, A. Noguchi, T. Ishikawa, R. Yamazaki, K. Usami, Y. Nakamura, Coherent coupling between a ferromagnetic magnon and a superconducting qubit, Science, 349, 405 (2015)

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PROFIL

- ✓ PhD in Physics or RF engineering
- ✓ Experimental skills requested
- ✓ Ability to work with new equipment and simulation software
- ✓ Ability to communicate and disseminate his/her results
- ✓ Good social skills

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR APPLICATIONS

- ✓ The candidate must have spent a **maximum of 18 months in France in the last 3 years** (from January 2019)
- ✓ Starting date: From January 2019 to June 2019

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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