

## A predictive simulation stack for the elements of a semiconducting quantum computer

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The work will involve theoretical / formalism aspects (out of equilibrium many-body formalism, Feynman diagrams!), numerics (using modern approaches based on Python) and the modelisation of concrete physical systems. The internship will take place within the theory group of CEA Grenoble, INAC, PHELIQS (Photonics NanoElectronics and Quantum engineering). Our group contains 15-20 researchers working on nanoelectronics, superconductivity, magnetism and electronic correlations in close collaboration with experimental groups. The project will be done under the direction of Christoph Groth ([christoph.groth@cea.fr](mailto:christoph.groth@cea.fr)) and Xavier Waintal ([xavier.waintal@cea.fr](mailto:xavier.waintal@cea.fr)).

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