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AMPLIFICATION ET RETROACTION QUANTIQUES

QUANTUM AMPLIFICATION AND FEEDBACK

Quatrième Leçon / *Fourth Lecture*

Transparents des leçons disponibles à <http://www.physinfo.fr/lectures.html>

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PROGRAM OF THIS YEAR'S LECTURES

Lecture I: Introduction to quantum-limited amplification and feedback

Lecture II: How do we model open, out-of-equilibrium, non-linear quantum systems?

Lecture III: Can we maintain the noise at the quantum limit while increasing gain, bandwidth and dyn^{amic} range?

Lecture IV: What are the minimal requirements for an active circuit to be fully directional and noiseless?

Lecture V: Can continuous quantum measurements be viewed as a form of Brownian motion?

Lecture VI: How can we maintain a dynamic quantum state alive?

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CALENDAR OF SEMINARS

May 10: Fabien Portier, SPEC-CEA Saclay

The Bright Side of Coulomb Blockade

May 17, 2011: Jan van Ruitenbeek (Leiden University, The Netherlands)

Quantum Transport in Single-molecule Systems

May 31, 2011: Irfan Siddiqi (UC Berkeley, USA)

Quantum Jumps of a Superconducting Artificial Atom

June 7, 2011: David DiVincenzo (IQI Aachen, Germany)

Quantum Error Correction and the Future of Solid State Qubits

June 14, 2011: Andrew Cleland (UC Santa Barbara, USA)

Images of Quantum Light

June 21, 2011: Benjamin Huard (LPA - ENS Paris)

Building a Quantum Limited Amplifier from Josephson Junctions and Resonators

June 21, 2011 (3pm): Andrew Cleland (UC Santa Barbara, USA)

How to Be in Two Places at the Same Time ?

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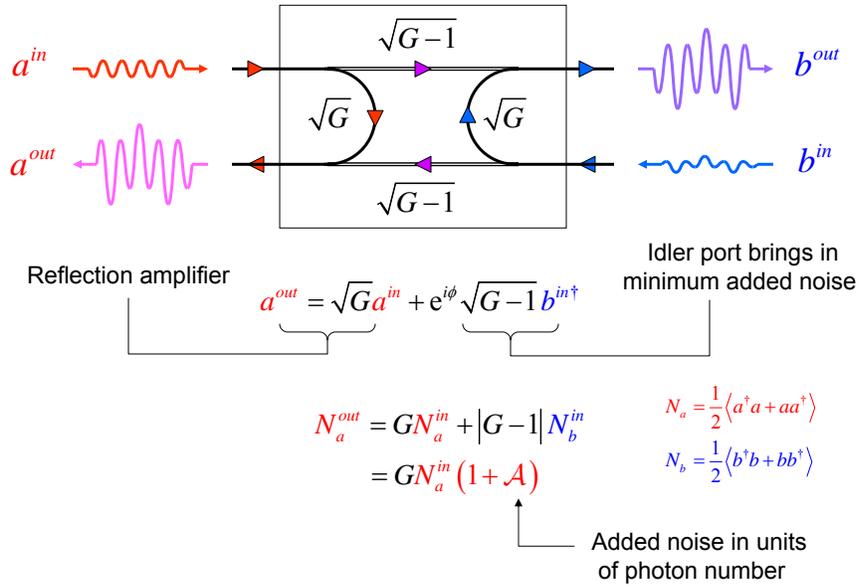
LECTURE IV : SYMMETRY PROPERTIES OF QUANTUM-LIMITED AMPLIFIERS

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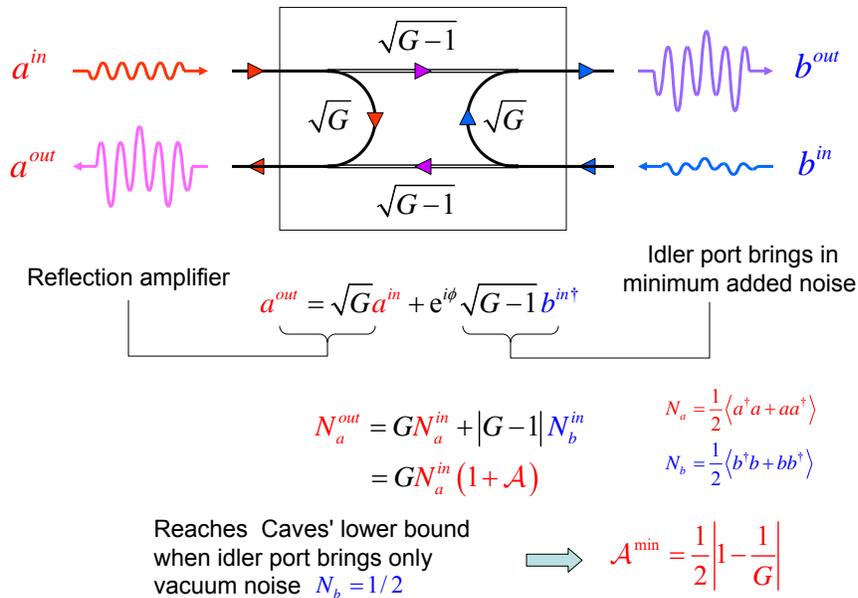
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PHASE-PRESERVING MINIMAL AMPLIFIER



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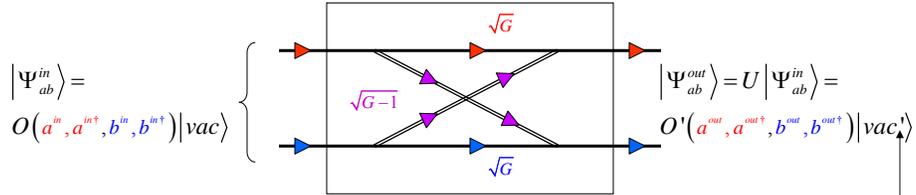
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TRANSFORMATION OF A QUANTUM STATE OF μ WAVE LIGHT BY THE AMPLIFIER

Examine scattering time-wise:



$$|\Psi_{ab}^{in}\rangle = O(a^{in}, a^{in\dagger}, b^{in}, b^{in\dagger})|vac\rangle$$

$$|\Psi_{ab}^{out}\rangle = U|\Psi_{ab}^{in}\rangle = O'(a^{out}, a^{out\dagger}, b^{out}, b^{out\dagger})|vac'\rangle$$

Examples:

$$|\Psi_{ab}^{in}\rangle = |1\rangle_a |2\rangle_b = a^{in\dagger} (b^{in\dagger})^2 |vac\rangle$$

$$|\Psi_{ab}^{in}\rangle = |\alpha\rangle_a |0\rangle_b = e^{\alpha a^{in\dagger} - \alpha^* a^{in}} |vac\rangle$$

$$a^{out} = e^{+i\delta} e^{+i\alpha} \sqrt{G} a^{in} + e^{+i\delta} e^{+i\beta} \sqrt{G-1} b^{in\dagger}$$

$$a^{out\dagger} = e^{-i\delta} e^{-i\alpha} \sqrt{G} a^{in\dagger} + e^{-i\delta} e^{-i\beta} \sqrt{G-1} b^{in}$$

$$b^{out} = e^{-i\delta} e^{+i\alpha} \sqrt{G} b^{in} + e^{-i\delta} e^{+i\beta} \sqrt{G-1} a^{in\dagger}$$

$$b^{out\dagger} = e^{+i\delta} e^{-i\alpha} \sqrt{G} b^{in\dagger} + e^{+i\delta} e^{-i\beta} \sqrt{G-1} a^{in}$$

important

$|vac'\rangle \neq |vac\rangle$ for an amplifier with photon gain
 $|vac'\rangle = |vac\rangle$ for a conservative circuit

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AMPLIFIER PRODUCES NOISE AT OUTPUT
EVEN IF BOTH INPUT SIGNALS ARE IN THEIR
GROUND STATE!

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FULL SCATTERING MATRIX OF QUANTUM-LIMITED AMPLIFIER

convention:
 $\hat{\delta}[-\omega] = \hat{\delta}[\omega]^\dagger$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a^{out} [+\omega_s] \\ a^{out} [-\omega_s] \\ b^{out} [+\omega_l] \\ b^{out} [-\omega_l] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{i\delta} e^{i\alpha} \sqrt{G} & 0 & 0 & e^{i\delta} e^{i\beta} \sqrt{G-1} \\ 0 & e^{-i\delta} e^{-i\alpha} \sqrt{G} & e^{-i\delta} e^{-i\beta} \sqrt{G-1} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-i\delta} e^{i\beta} \sqrt{G-1} & e^{-i\delta} e^{i\alpha} \sqrt{G} & 0 \\ e^{i\delta} e^{-i\beta} \sqrt{G-1} & 0 & 0 & e^{i\delta} e^{-i\alpha} \sqrt{G} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a^{in} [+\omega_s] \\ a^{in} [-\omega_s] \\ b^{in} [+\omega_l] \\ b^{in} [-\omega_l] \end{bmatrix}$$

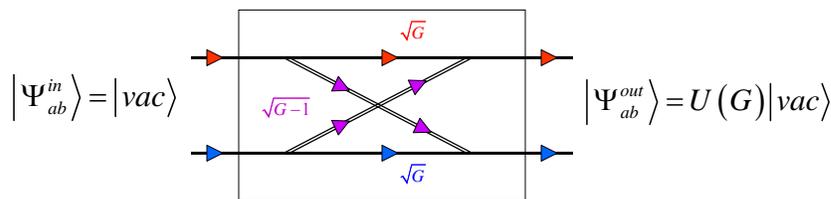
$$e^{i\delta} e^{i\alpha} \sqrt{G} = \frac{\eta_a^* \eta_b^* + |\rho|^2}{\eta_a \eta_b^* - |\rho|^2} \quad e^{i\delta} e^{-i\alpha} = \frac{\eta_a \eta_b + |\rho|^2}{\eta_a \eta_b^* - |\rho|^2} \quad e^{i\delta} e^{i\beta} \sqrt{G-1} = \frac{-2i\rho}{\eta_a \eta_b^* - |\rho|^2}$$

$$\eta_a = 1 - i \frac{\omega_s - \omega_a}{\Gamma_a} \quad \eta_b = 1 - i \frac{\omega_l - \omega_b}{\Gamma_b} \quad \rho = \frac{g^{(3)} \sqrt{\bar{n}_c} e^{-i\phi}}{\sqrt{\Gamma_a \Gamma_b}} < 1$$

3 symmetry properties $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Conservation of commutators (volume and structure of phase space)} \\ \text{Phase of the pump enters in scattering matrix in non-reciprocal manner} \\ \text{Causality is enforced in frequency dependence of matrix} \end{array} \right.$

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AMPLIFIER TRANSFORMS VACUUM INTO SQUEEZED VACUUM



$$U(G)|vac\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{G}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(e^{i\phi} \sqrt{\frac{G-1}{G}} \right)^n |n\rangle_a |n\rangle_b$$

A pure, entangled state!

Energy has increased, entropy is still zero!

However, each port separately displays a thermal photon distribution:

$$\rho_a = \frac{1}{1 + \bar{n}_a} \sum_{n_a} \left(\frac{\bar{n}_a}{1 + \bar{n}_a} \right)^{n_a} |n_a\rangle \langle n_a| \quad \bar{n}_a = (G-1) = \frac{kT_{eff}}{\hbar\omega_a}$$

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DEGENERATE PARAMETRIC AMPLIFIER

$$\begin{bmatrix} a^{out} [+\omega_s] \\ a^{out} [-\omega_s] \\ a^{out} [+\omega_l] \\ a^{out} [-\omega_l] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{i\delta} \sqrt{G} & 0 & 0 & e^{i\delta} e^{i\beta} \sqrt{G-1} \\ 0 & e^{-i\delta} \sqrt{G} & e^{-i\delta} e^{-i\beta} \sqrt{G-1} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-i\delta} e^{i\beta} \sqrt{G-1} & e^{-i\delta} \sqrt{G} & 0 \\ e^{i\delta} e^{-i\beta} \sqrt{G-1} & 0 & 0 & e^{i\delta} \sqrt{G} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a^{in} [+\omega_s] \\ a^{in} [-\omega_s] \\ a^{in} [+\omega_l] \\ a^{in} [-\omega_l] \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e^{i\delta} \sqrt{G} = \frac{1 + \vartheta^2 + \rho^2}{(1 - i\vartheta)^2 - \rho^2} \quad e^{i\delta} e^{i\beta} \sqrt{G-1} = \frac{-2i\rho}{(1 - i\vartheta)^2 - \rho^2} \quad \rho = \frac{g^{(3)} \sqrt{\bar{n}_c} e^{-i\phi}}{\Gamma_a} < 1$$

$$\vartheta = \frac{\omega_s - \omega_a}{\Gamma_a}$$

For mode whose spectral width is that of single pole of circuit:

$$U(G)|vac\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{G}} \sum_n \frac{\sqrt{(2n)!}}{2^n n!} \left(e^{i\phi} \sqrt{\frac{G-1}{G}} \right)^n |2n\rangle_a$$

Contains only an even number of photons!

$$\begin{aligned} X_{\parallel}^{out} &= e^{\lambda} X_{\parallel}^{in} & \cosh \lambda &= \sqrt{G} \\ X_{\perp}^{out} &= e^{-\lambda} X_{\perp}^{in} & X_{\parallel} + iX_{\perp} &\sim \int d\omega \frac{ia[\omega]}{1 - i\vartheta} \end{aligned}$$

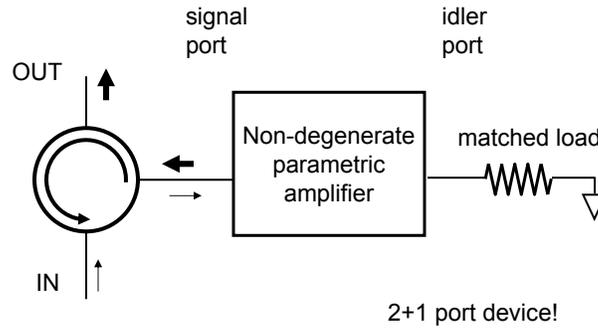
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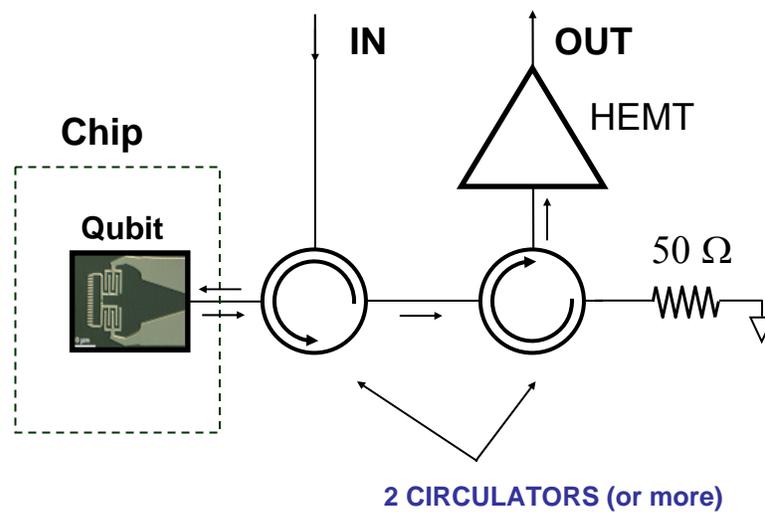
FOR DIRECTIONALITY, CIRCULATOR NEEDS TO BE ADDED TO PARAMETRIC AMPLIFIER



N.B. Phase-sensitive paramp operation can be recovered with non-degenerate paramp if information in idler port is recombined with that of signal port.

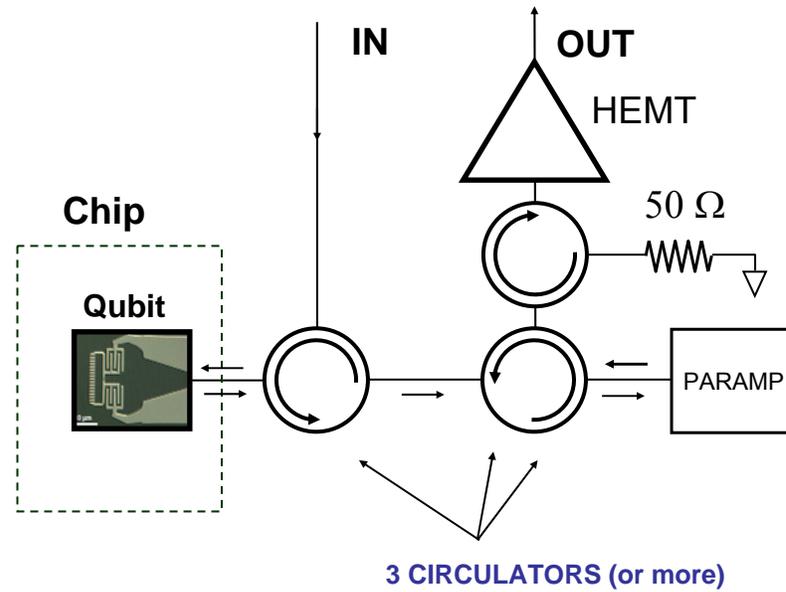
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TYPICAL QBIT MEASUREMENT SCHEMATIC



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QBIT MEASUREMENT WITH PARAMP



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COMMERCIAL CIRCULATORS



Characteristics

Bandwidth 4 GHz
@ 6 & 10 GHz
Loss <1 dB
Isolation 15-20 dB

Drawbacks

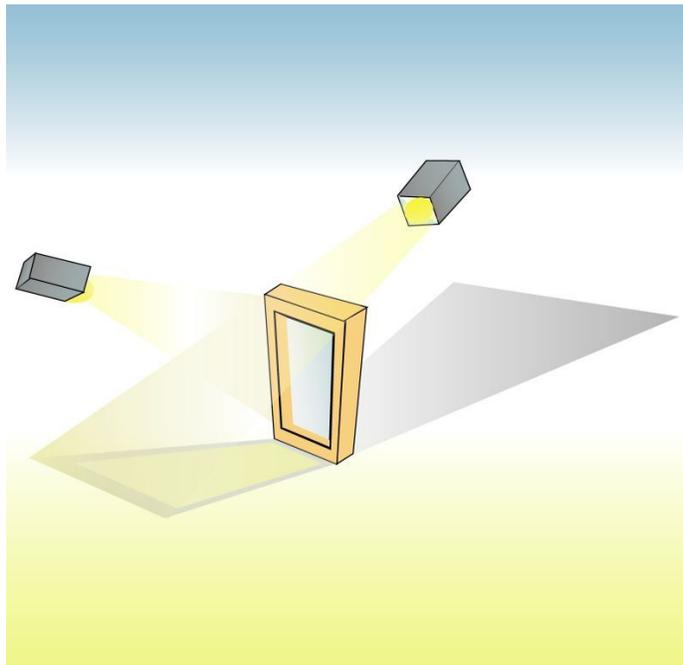
Large size
Permanent magnet



No on-chip integration

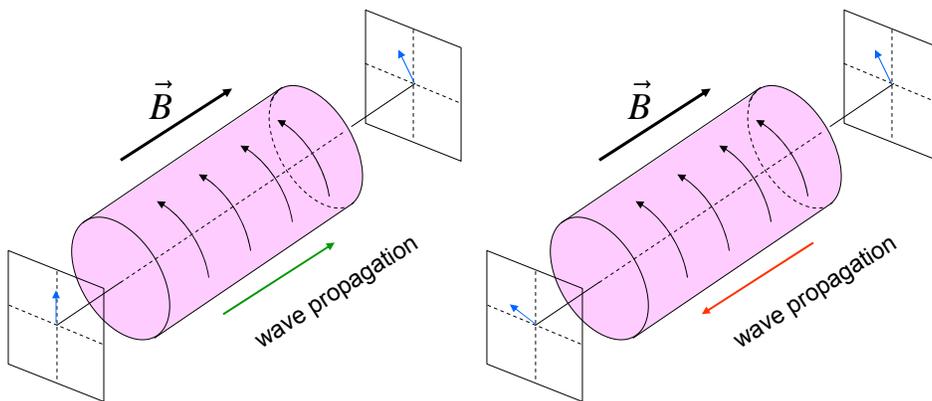
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**CIRCULATOR
ACTS AS
VALVE
FOR
MICROWAVE
LIGHT**



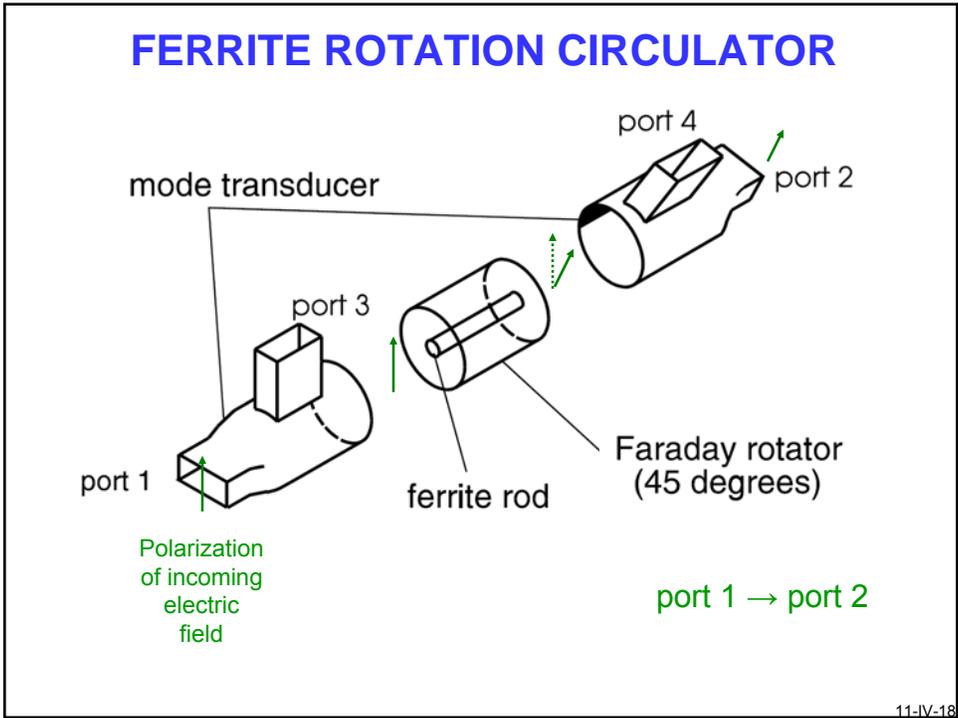
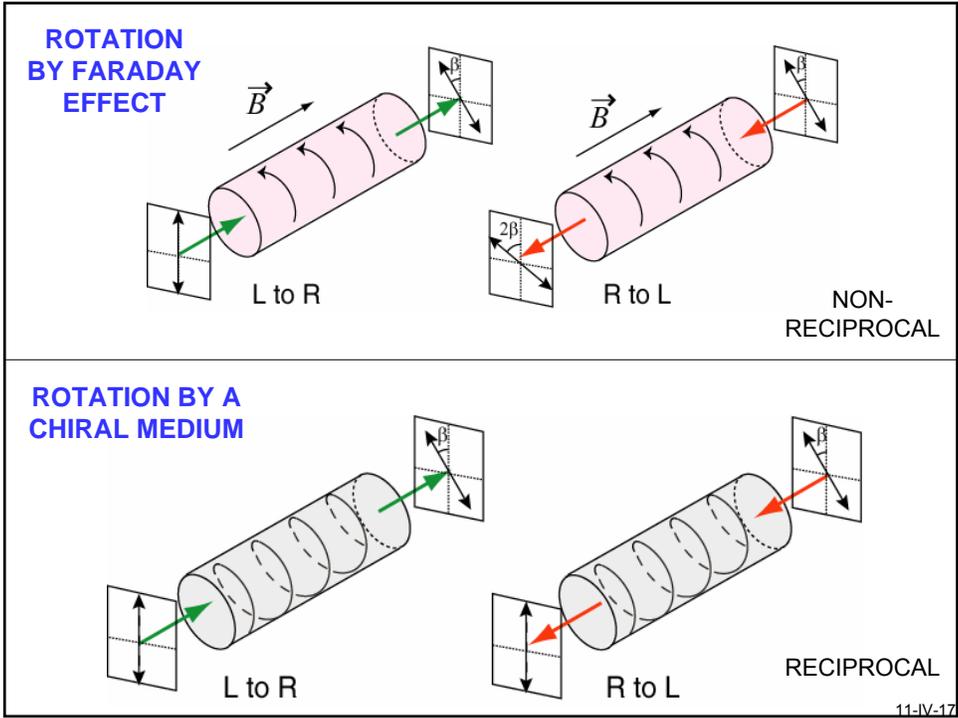
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FARADAY ROTATION

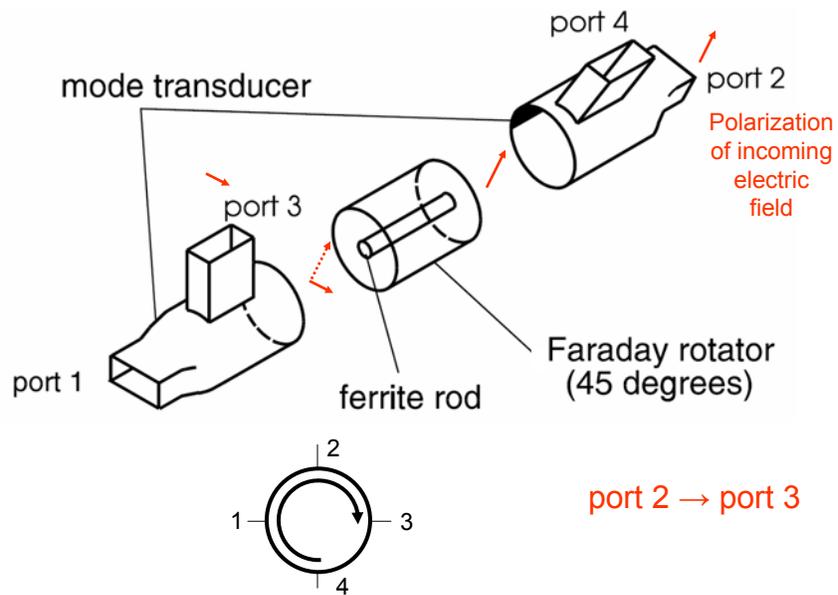


Breaks reciprocity (Principle of Inverse Return of Light)

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FERRITE ROTATION CIRCULATOR



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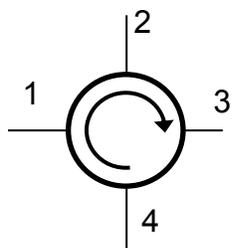
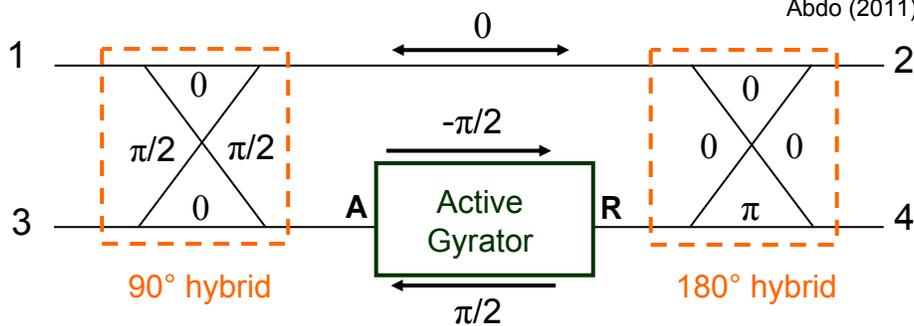
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CAN AN ACTIVE MEDIUM REPLACE
A FARADAY MEDIUM IN A MAGNETIC FIELD?

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ON-CHIP CIRCULATOR SCHEME

Abdo (2011)



CONVERTS PHASE NON-RECIPROcity
INTO AMPLITUDE NON-RECIPROcity

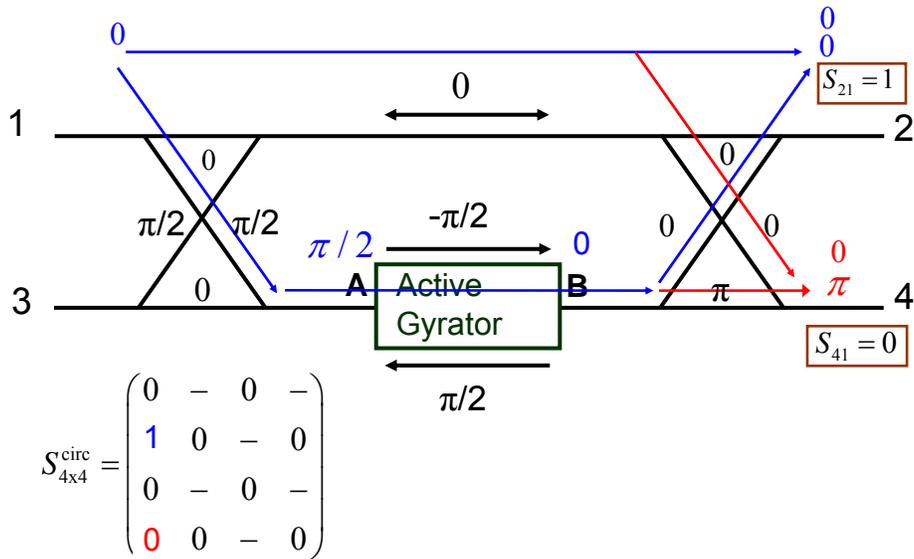
Other proposal by A. Kamal, J. Clarke and MHD
Nature Physics 7, 311-315 (2011)

On chip hybrid already realized (Boulder)

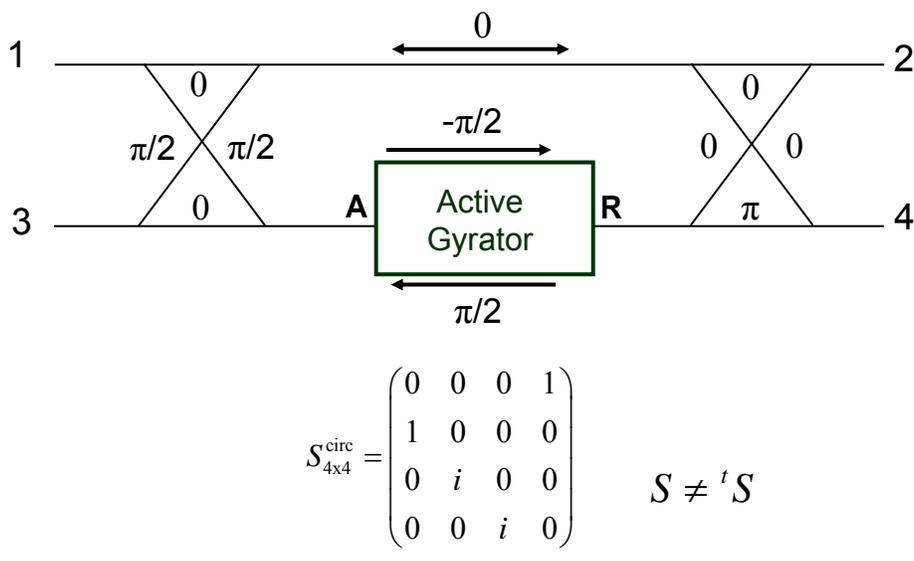
Ku et al., *IEEE Trans. Appl. Superconductivity*,
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EXAMINE INTERFERENCE WITH A SOURCE AT PORT 1

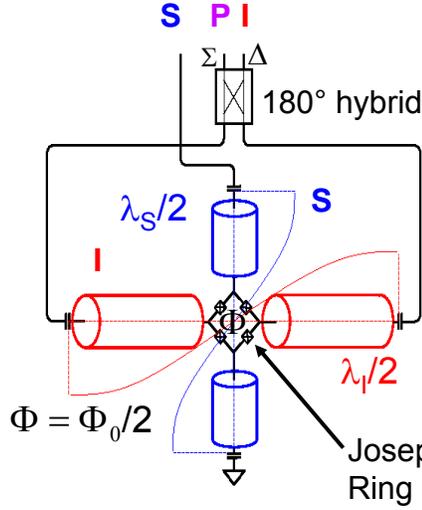


CIRCULATOR SCATTERING MATRIX



BASIC GYRATOR BUILDING BLOCK: JOSEPHSON PARAMETRIC CONVERTER (JPC)

S = Signal
I = Idler
P = Pump



Parameters:

$$\omega_S \cong \omega_a, \omega_I \cong \omega_b$$

$$Q_a = \frac{\omega_a}{\gamma_a}, Q_b = \frac{\omega_b}{\gamma_b}$$

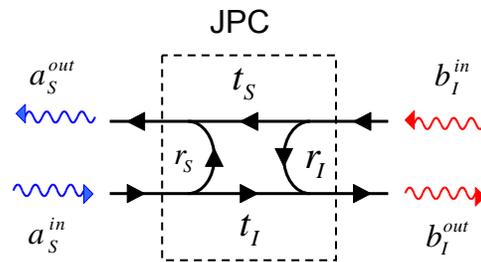
$$P_a, P_b$$

$$\omega_P, I_P, I_0$$

B. Abdo et al., arXiv:1103.1405

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PURE CONVERSION MODE



$$\omega_P = |\omega_I - \omega_S|$$

No photon gain:

$$|r|^2 + |t|^2 = 1$$

Reflection

$$r_s = \frac{\eta_a \eta_b^* - |\rho|^2}{\eta_a^* \eta_b^* + |\rho|^2}$$

$$r_i = \frac{\eta_a^* \eta_b - |\rho|^2}{\eta_a^* \eta_b^* + |\rho|^2}$$

Transmission

$$t_s = \frac{2i\rho}{\eta_a^* \eta_b^* + |\rho|^2}$$

$$t_i = \frac{2i\rho^*}{\eta_a^* \eta_b^* + |\rho|^2}$$

where

$$\eta_a = 1 - iQ_a \left(\frac{\omega_S^2 - \omega_a^2}{\omega_S \omega_a} \right)$$

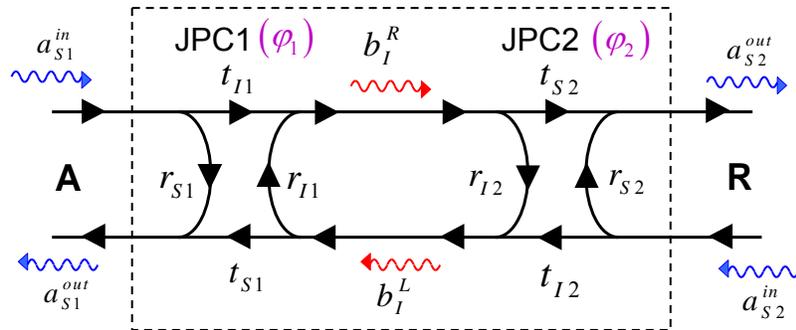
$$\eta_b = 1 - iQ_b \left(\frac{\omega_I^2 - \omega_b^2}{\omega_I \omega_b} \right)$$

$$\rho = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{Q_a Q_b P_a P_b} \left| \frac{I_P}{I_0} \right| e^{i\varphi}$$

Full conversion: $r = 0, |t| = 1$ NO NOISE!

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2 CONVERTERS BACK-TO-BACK



Transmission

$$t_{RA} = \frac{t_{I1}t_{S2}}{1 - r_{I2}r_{I1}}$$

$$t_{AR} = \frac{t_{I2}t_{S1}}{1 - r_{I2}r_{I1}}$$

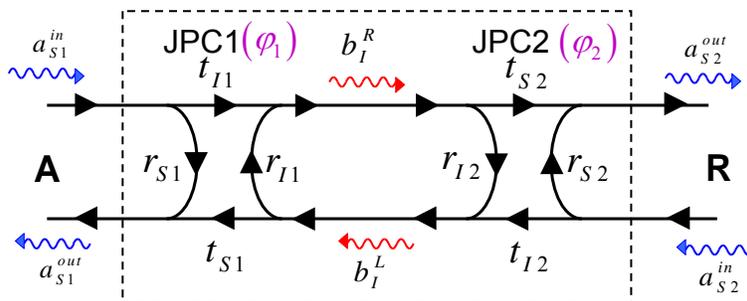
Reflection

$$r_{AA} = r_{S1} + \frac{r_{I2}t_{S1}t_{I1}}{1 - r_{I2}r_{I1}}$$

$$r_{RR} = r_{S2} + \frac{r_{I1}t_{S2}t_{I2}}{1 - r_{I2}r_{I1}}$$

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2 CONVERTERS BACK-TO-BACK = GYRATOR



$$|\rho| = 1$$

$$\omega_s \cong \omega_a$$

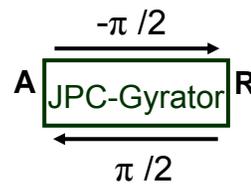
$$\omega_l \cong \omega_b$$

$$t_{RA} \cong t_{I1}t_{S2} \cong e^{i(\varphi_2 - \varphi_1 + \pi)}$$

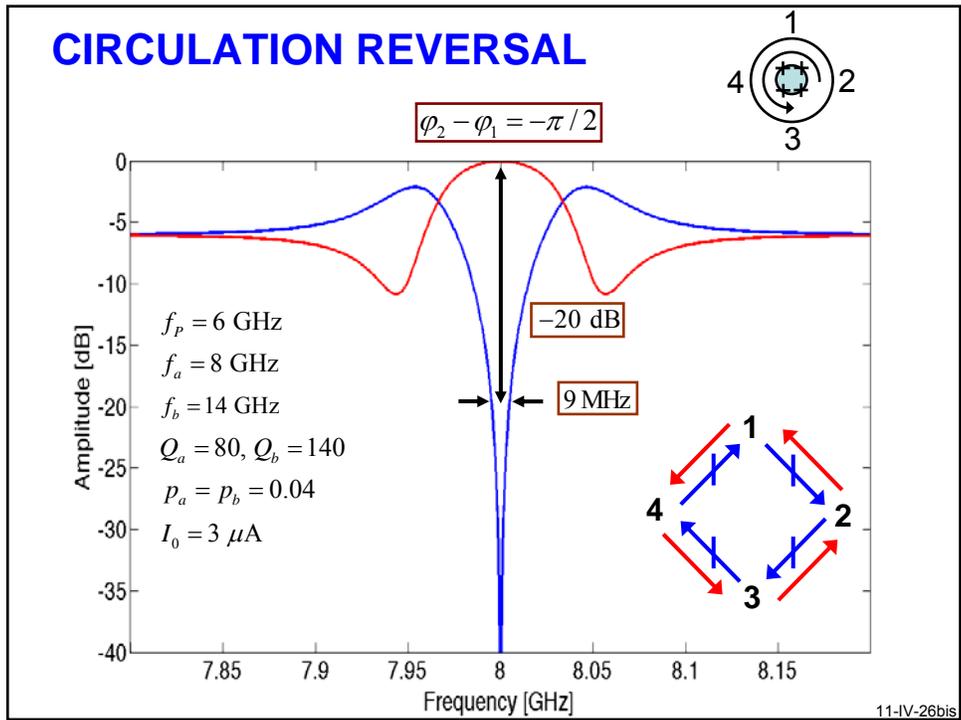
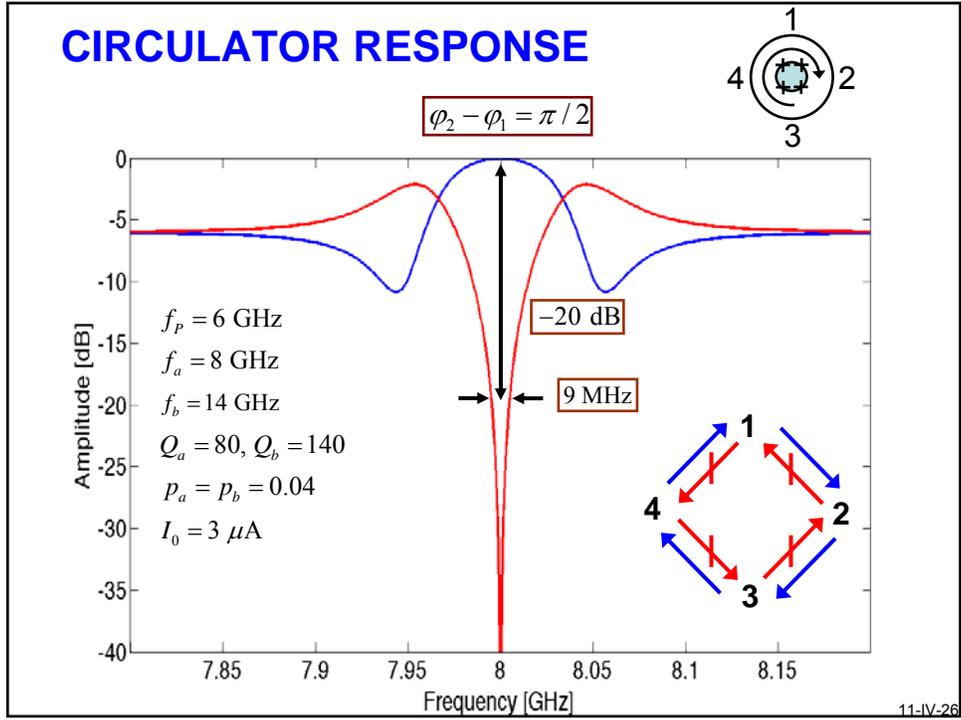
$$t_{AR} \cong t_{I2}t_{S1} \cong e^{-i(\varphi_2 - \varphi_1 - \pi)}$$

$$r_{AA} = r_{RR} \cong 0$$

$$\varphi_2 - \varphi_1 = \pi/2$$



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INFRARED vs μ WAVE LIGHT

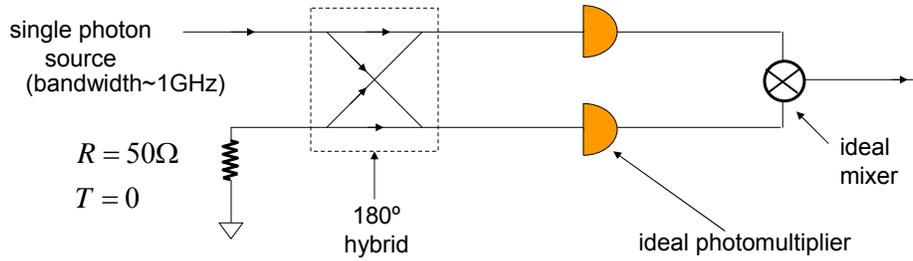
$\lambda = 1.5 \mu\text{m}$
 $\nu = 200 \text{ THz}$
 $T = 10,000 \text{ K}$
 $E = 0.8 \text{ eV}$

$\lambda = 3 \text{ cm}$
 $\nu = 10 \text{ GHz}$
 $T = 0.5 \text{ K}$
 $E = 40 \mu\text{eV}$

IS A QUANTUM-LIMITED AMPLIFIER
EQUIVALENT TO A PHOTOMULTIPLIER?

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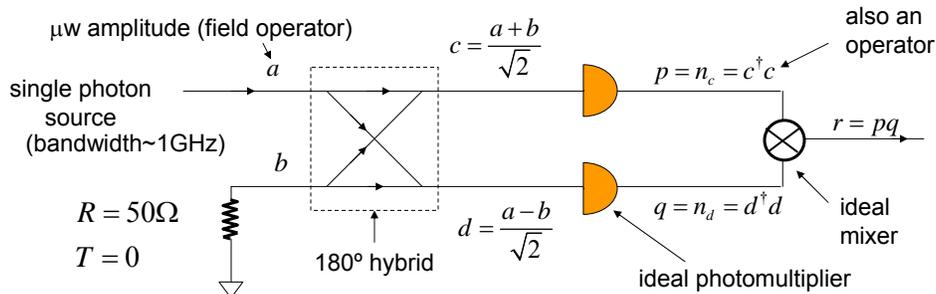
MICROWAVE HANBURY BROWN & TWISS EXPT



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MICROWAVE HANBURY BROWN & TWISS EXPT



$$[a, a^\dagger] = [b, b^\dagger] = 1$$

Original demonstration of use of intensity-intensity correlations, optical domain:
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$$p = \frac{1}{2}(n_a + n_b + b^\dagger a + a^\dagger b) \quad q = \frac{1}{2}(n_a + n_b - b^\dagger a - a^\dagger b)$$

$$r = \frac{1}{2}[(n_a + n_b)^2 - (b^\dagger a + a^\dagger b)^2] = \frac{1}{2}[(n_a + n_b)^2 - b^\dagger b^\dagger a a - a^\dagger a^\dagger b b - n_a(n_b + 1) - n_b(n_a + 1)]$$

$$\langle pq \rangle = \text{tr}[r |\Psi_{in}\rangle \langle \Psi_{in}|] \quad \text{with } |\Psi_{in}\rangle = |1_a\rangle |0_b\rangle \quad \Rightarrow \langle pq \rangle = \frac{1}{4}(n_a - n_a) = 0$$

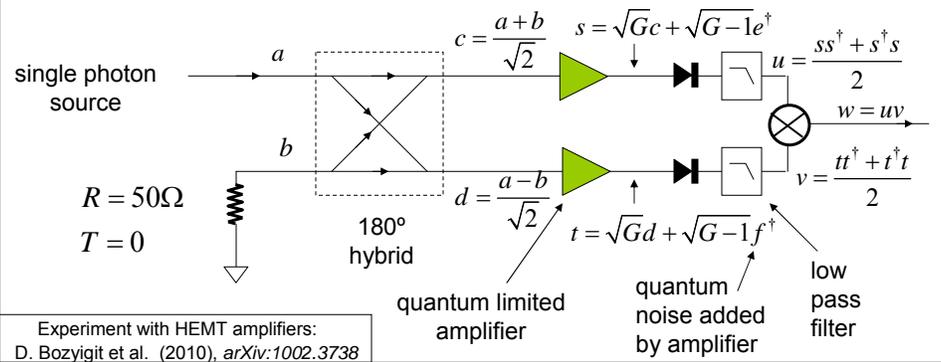
$$\text{contrast function: } C = \frac{\langle pq \rangle - \langle p \rangle \langle q \rangle}{\langle p \rangle \langle q \rangle} = -1$$

photon numbers at input

Note that if source is Glauber then one finds $C = 0$.

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MICROWAVE HANBURY BROWN & TWISS VARIANT



Experiment with HEMT amplifiers:
 D. Bozyigit et al. (2010), *arXiv:1002.3738*

$$u = \frac{G}{2} \left(n_a + n_b + 1 + [ab^\dagger + h.c.] \right) + (G-1) \left(n_e + \frac{1}{2} \right) + \sqrt{\frac{G(G-1)}{2}} [(a+b)e^\dagger + h.c.]$$

$$v = \frac{G}{2} \left(n_a + n_b + 1 - [ab^\dagger + h.c.] \right) + (G-1) \left(n_f + \frac{1}{2} \right) + \sqrt{\frac{G(G-1)}{2}} [(a-b)f^\dagger + h.c.]$$

In the large gain limit: $C = \frac{\langle uv \rangle - \langle u \rangle \langle v \rangle}{\langle u \rangle \langle v \rangle} = \frac{G^{\frac{8}{4}}}{G^{\frac{9}{4}}} - 1 = -\frac{1}{9}$ If source is Glauber then again $C = 0$.

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