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RÉSONATEURS NANOMÉCANIQUES DANS LE RÉGIME QUANTIQUE

NANOMECHANICAL RESONATORS IN QUANTUM REGIME

Cinquième leçon / *Fifth lecture*

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PROGRAM OF THIS YEAR'S LECTURES

Lecture I: Introduction to nanomechanical systems

Lecture II: How do we model the coupling between electro-magnetic modes and mechanical motion?

Lecture III: Is zero-point motion of the detector variables a limitation in the measurement of the position of a mechanical oscillator?

Lecture IV: In the active cooling of a nanomechanical resonator, is measurement-based feedback equivalent to autonomous feedback?

Lecture V: How close to the ground state can we bring a nano-resonator?

Lecture VI: What oscillator characteristics must we choose to convert quantum information from the microwave domain to the optical domain?

CALENDAR OF 2012 SEMINARS

May 15: Rob Schoelkopf (Yale University, USA)

Quantum optics and quantum computation with superconducting circuits.

May 22: Konrad Lehnert (JILA, Boulder, USA)

Micro-electromechanics: a new quantum technology.

May 29: Olivier Arcizet (Institut Néel, Grenoble)

A single NV defect coupled to a nanomechanical oscillator: hybrid nanomechanics.

June 5: Ivan Favero (MPQ, Université Paris Diderot)

From micro to nano-optomechanical systems: photons interacting with mechanical resonators.

June 12: A. Douglas Stone (Yale University, USA)

Lasers and anti-lasers: a mesoscopic physicist's perspective on scattering from active and passive media.

June 19: Tobias J. Kippenberg (EPFL, Lausanne, Suisse)

Cavity optomechanics: exploring the coupling of light and micro- and nanomechanical oscillators.

LECTURE V : INPUT-OUTPUT TREATMENT OF COLD DAMPING IN QUANTUM REGIME

OUTLINE

1. Qualitative discussion of lowest temperatures achievable by dynamical cooling.
2. Review of input-output theory of driven dissipative systems in quantum regime.
3. Photon-phonon inelastic scattering between opto- and electro-mechanical nanoresonators.

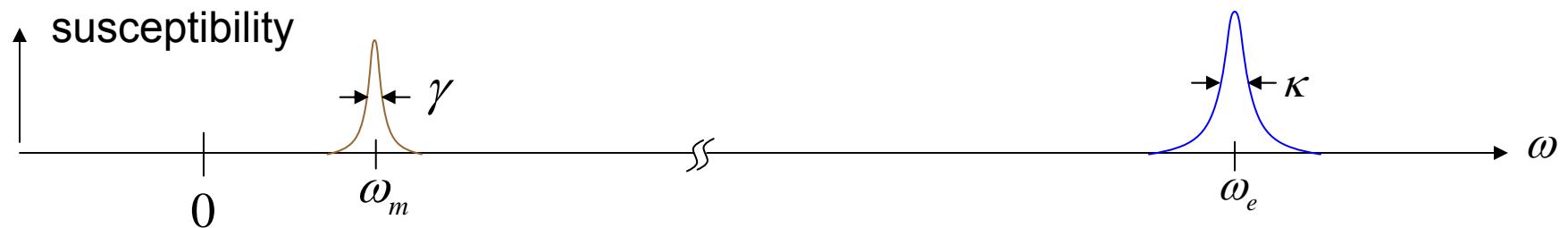
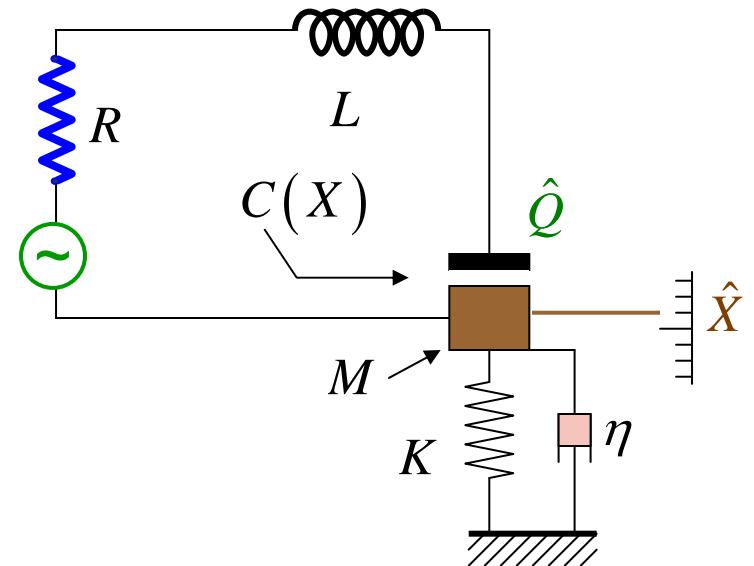
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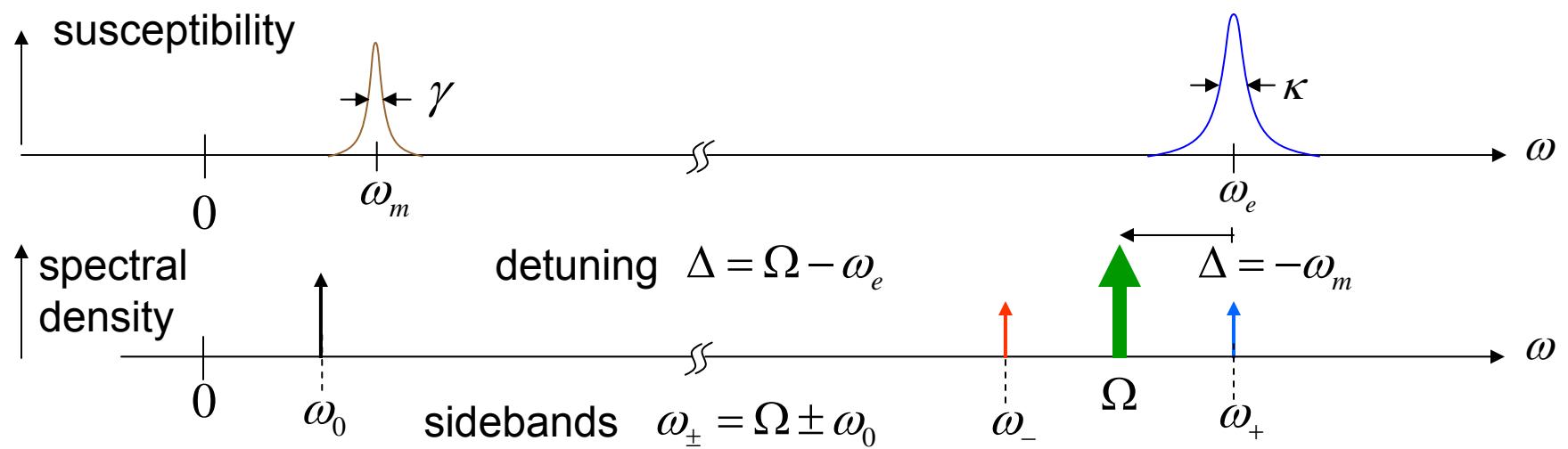
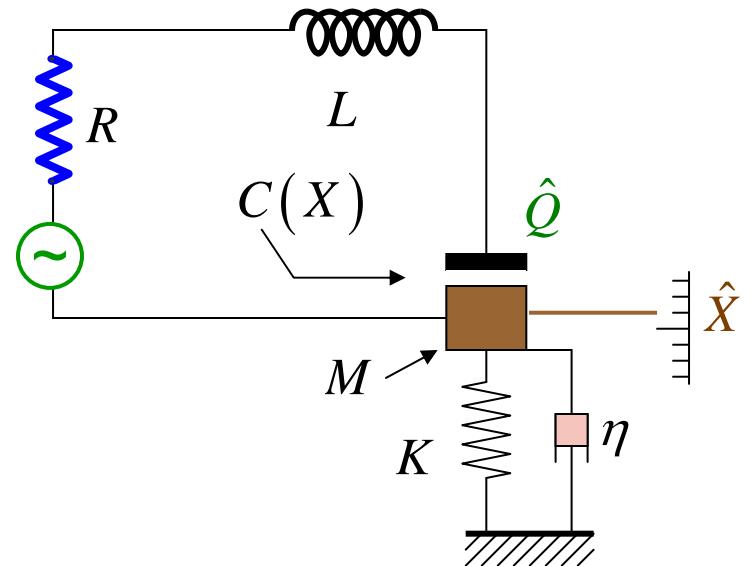


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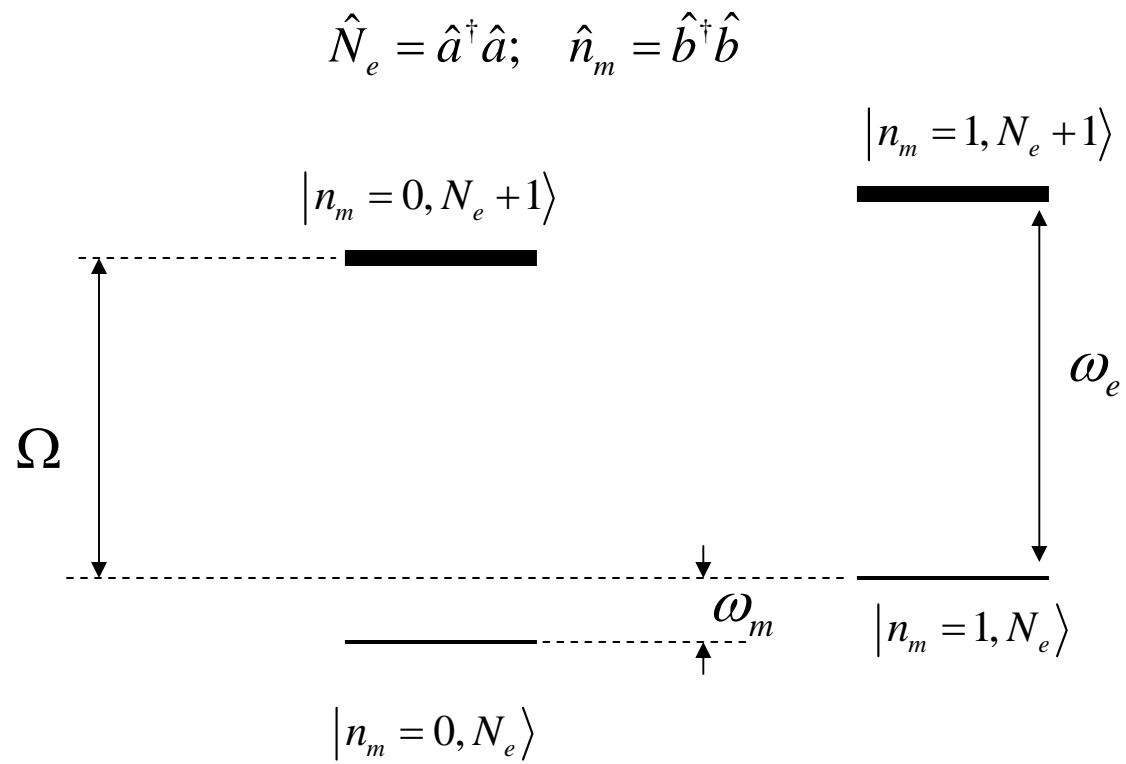
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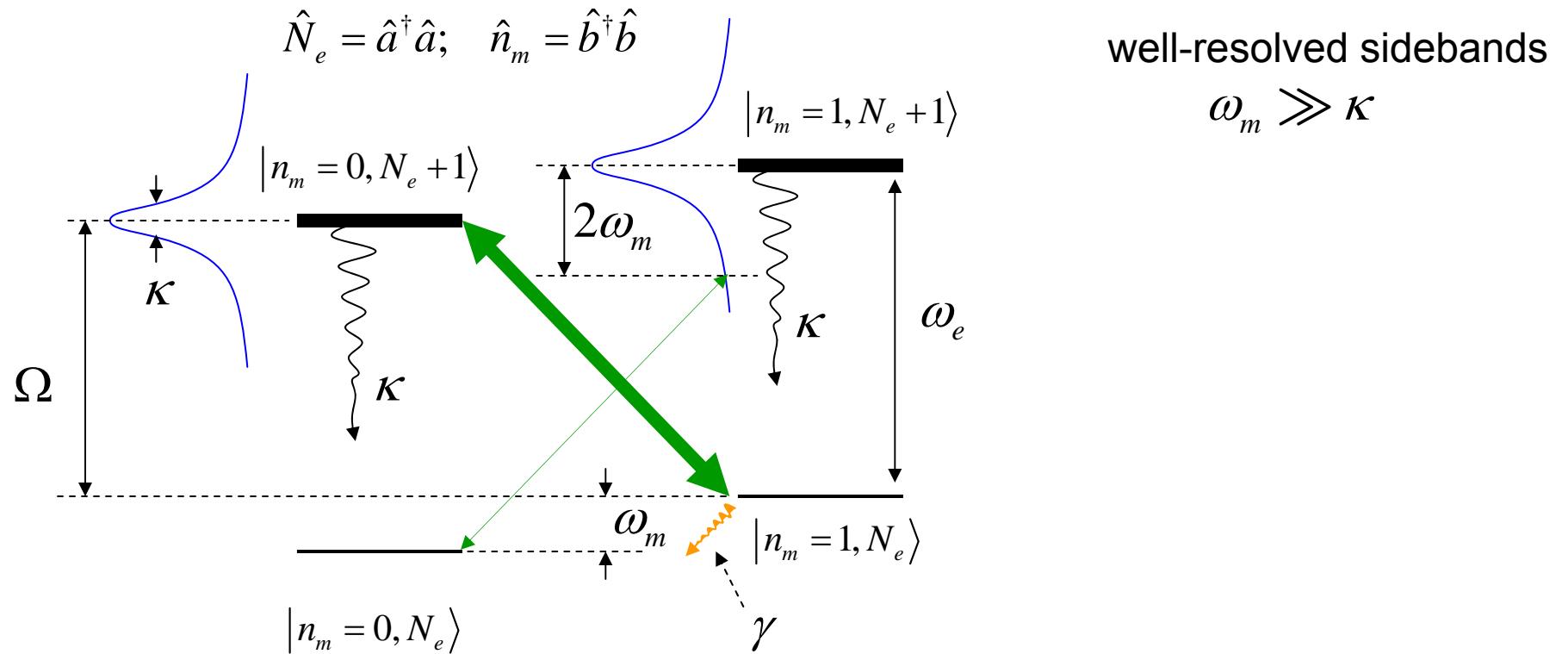


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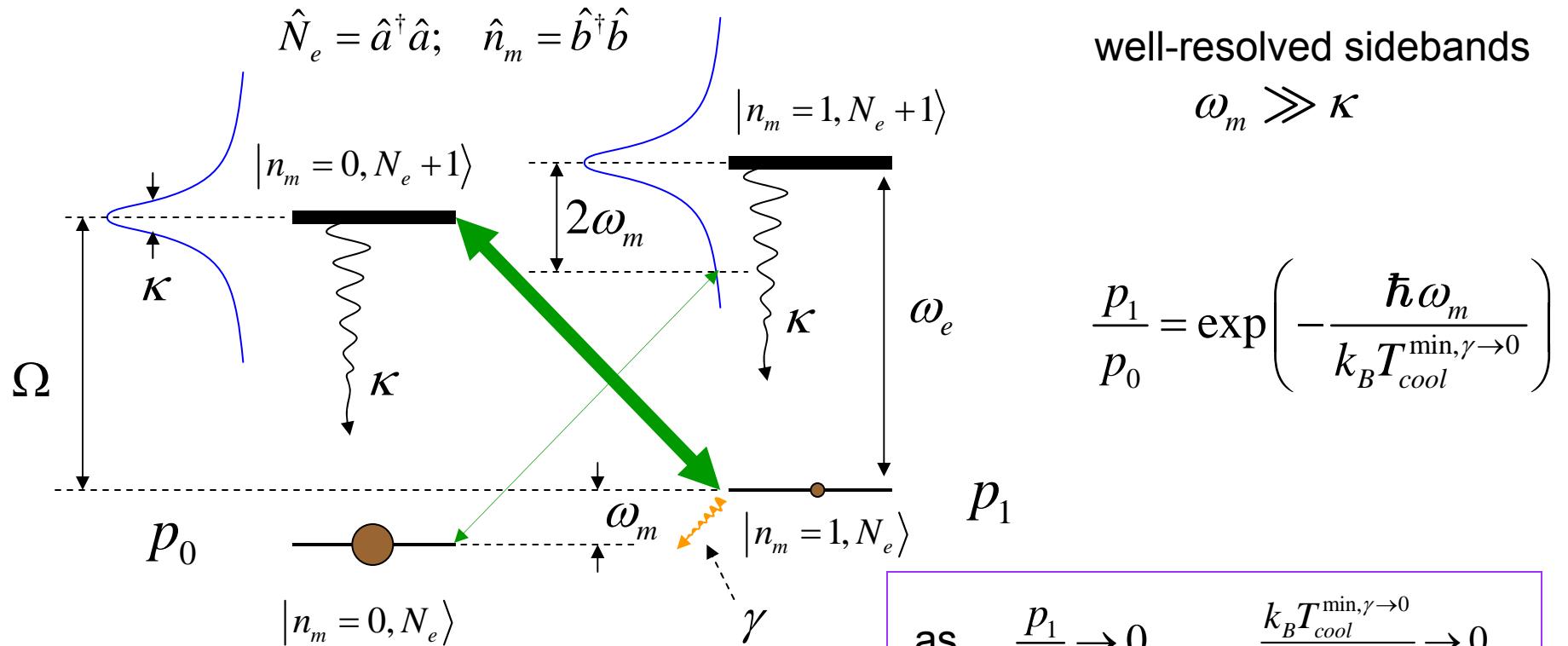
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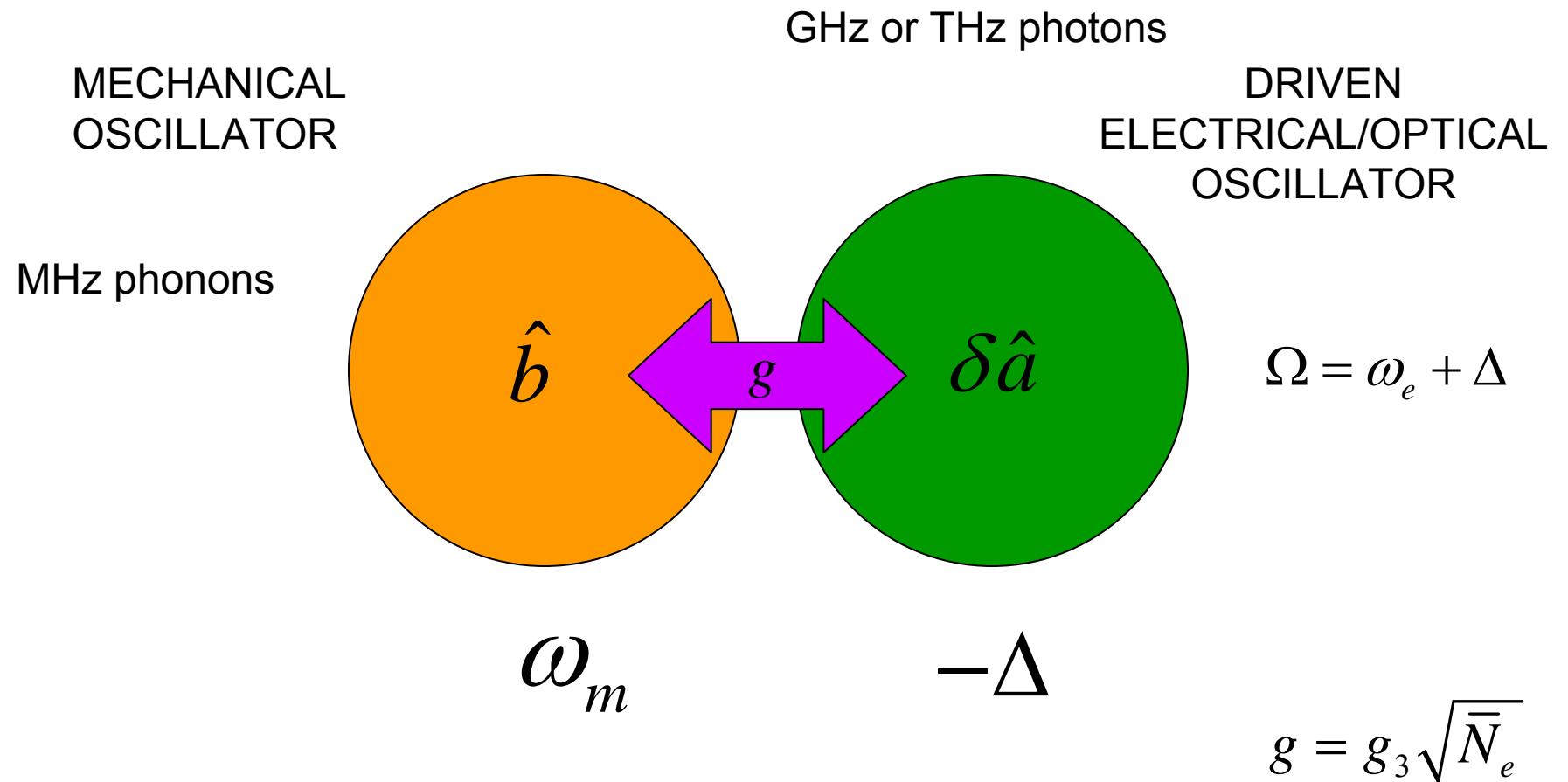
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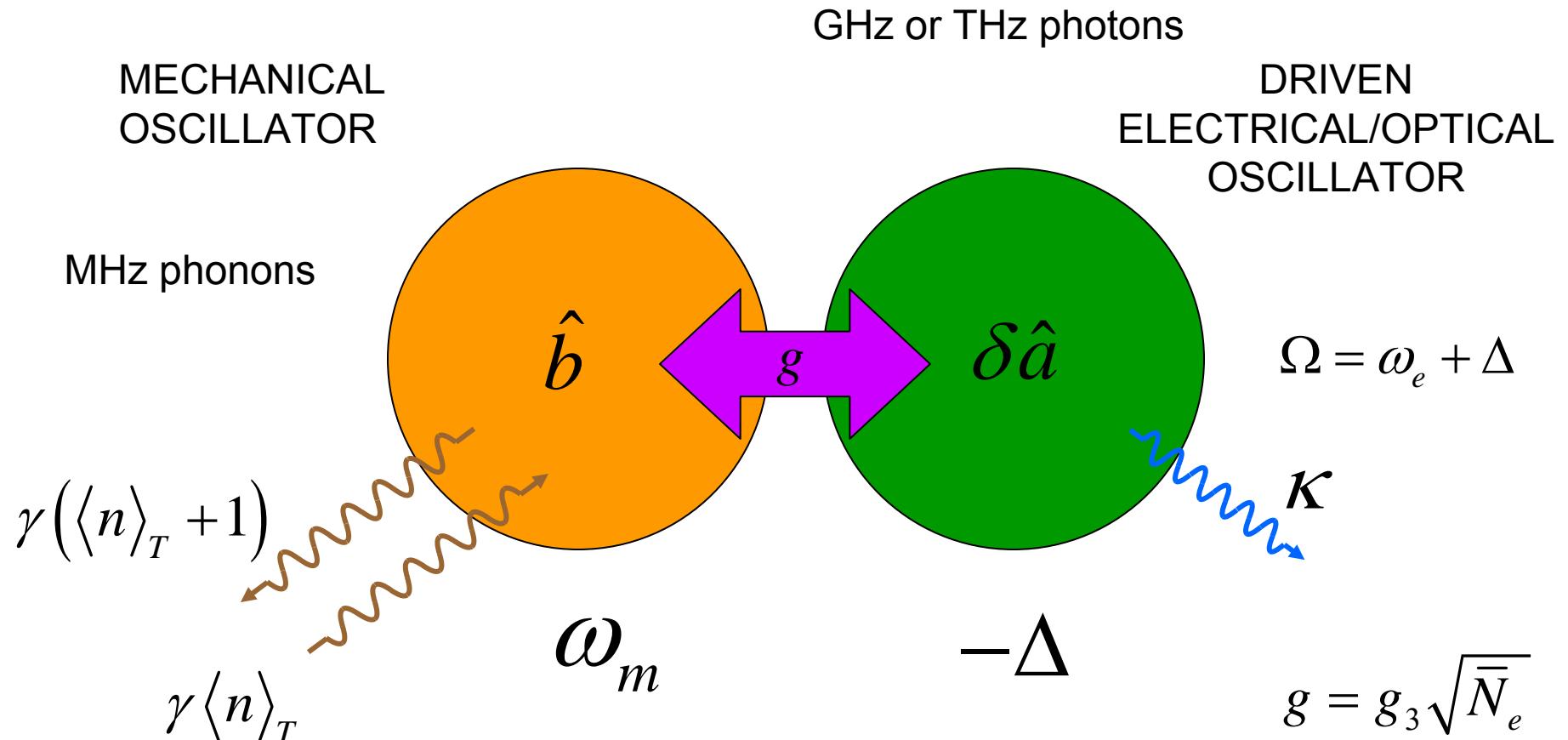
neglect
intrinsic
mechanical
damping
 $\gamma \rightarrow 0$

$$\frac{p_1}{p_0} = \frac{\text{Re}[\chi_{ee}(\omega_e - 2\omega_m)]}{\text{Re}[\chi_{ee}(\omega_e)]} = \frac{(\kappa/2)^2}{(2\omega_m)^2 + (\kappa/2)^2} \rightarrow \left(\frac{\kappa}{4\omega_m}\right)^2$$

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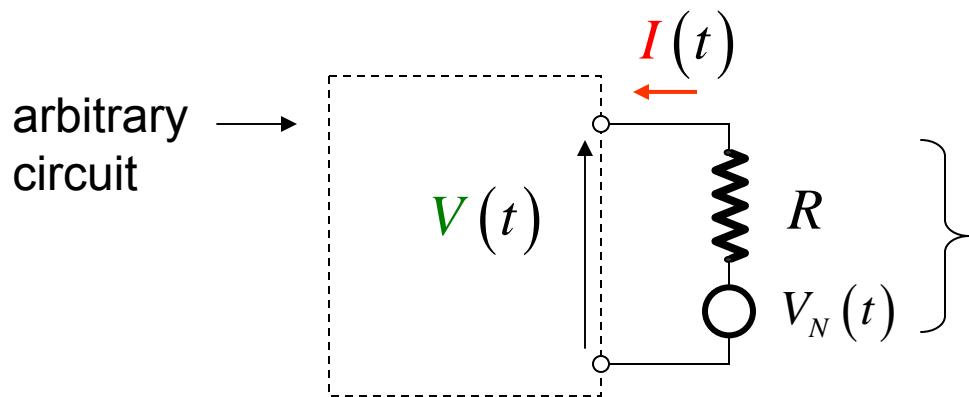
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When the mechanical and electromagnetic fluctuation oscillator are hybridized:

$$\frac{dn_m}{dt} \sim -\gamma(n_m - \langle n \rangle_T) - \kappa n_m \quad \Rightarrow \quad n_m^{\min,h} = \frac{\gamma}{\kappa} \langle n \rangle_T$$

NOISE OF A RESISTANCE, FLUCTUATION-DISSIPATION THEOREM



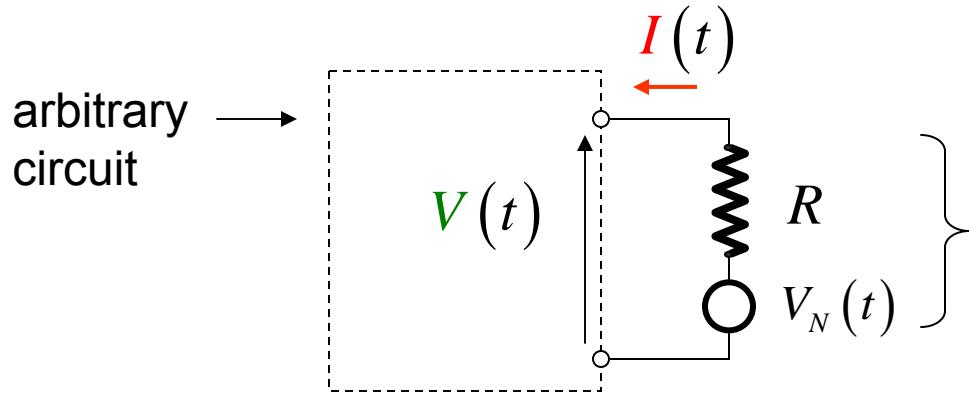
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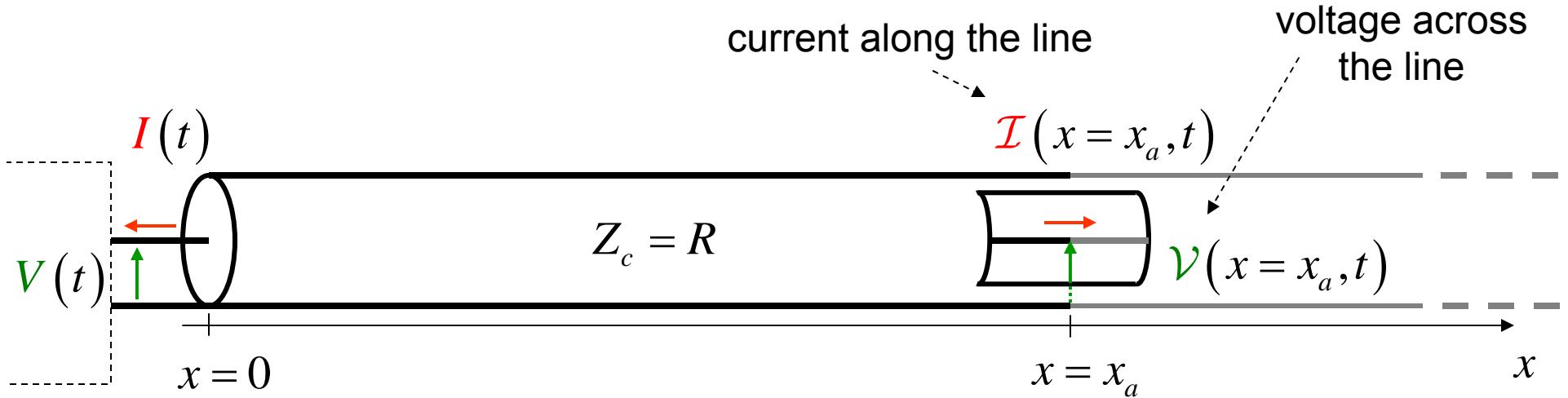
$$S_{VV}[\omega] = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \langle V_N(t)V_N(0) \rangle e^{i\omega t} dt = 2k_B T R$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{VV}(v) = S_{VV}[\omega = 2\pi v] + S_{VV}[\omega = -2\pi v] = 4k_B T R$$

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QUANTUM-MECHANICALLY, TO DEAL WITH BOTH DISSIPATION AND FLUCTUATION ASPECTS OF RESISTANCE, IT IS ADVANTAGEOUS TO REPLACE IT BY A SEMI-INFINITE TRANSMISSION LINE (NYQUIST MODEL)

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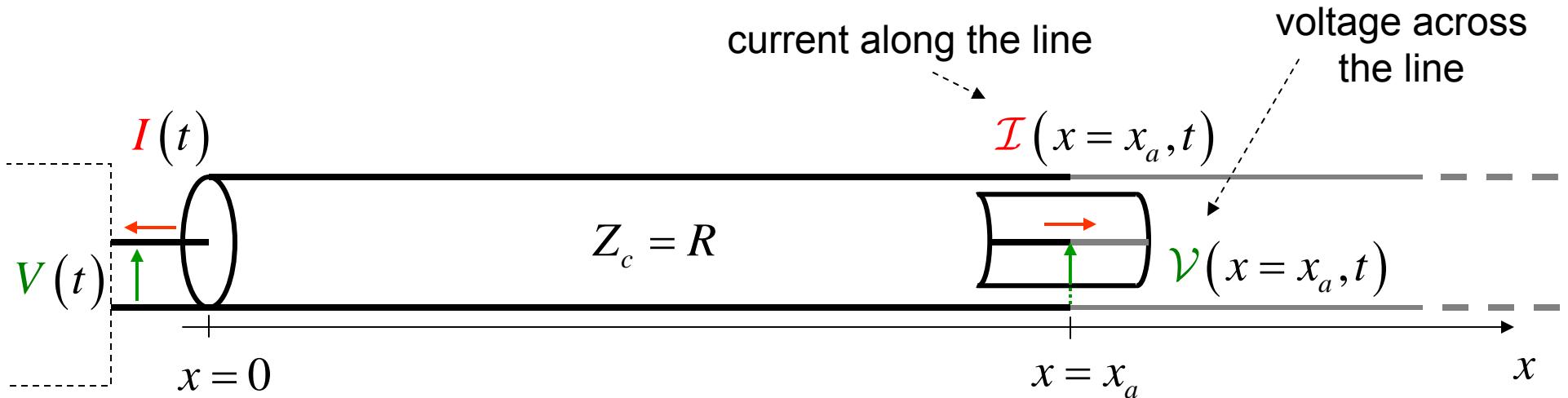


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noise = input wave amplitude
at entrance of transmission line,
uncorrelated with present state
of damped circuit

$$A^{\text{out}}(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} [Z_c^{-1/2} \mathcal{V}(x, t) + Z_c^{+1/2} \mathcal{I}(x, t)]$$

$$A^{\text{in}}(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} [Z_c^{-1/2} \mathcal{V}(x, t) - Z_c^{+1/2} \mathcal{I}(x, t)]$$

$|A^{\text{out,in}}(x, t)|^2$: power flowing in $\pm x$ direction

$$Z_c = \sqrt{\frac{L_\ell}{C_\ell}}$$

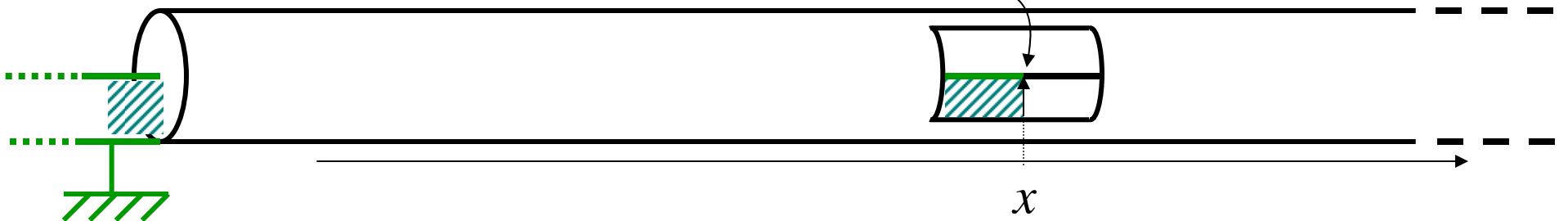
$$v_p = \sqrt{\frac{1}{L_\ell C_\ell}}$$

$$A^{\text{out}}(x, t) = A^{\text{out}}(0, t - x/v_p)$$

$$A^{\text{in}}(x, t) = A^{\text{in}}(0, t + x/v_p)$$

LAGRANGIAN OF TRANSMISSION LINE

For transmission line, field variable is a "node flux": $\Phi(x, t) = \int_{-\infty}^t dt_1 \int_{\text{ground}}^x \vec{E}(x_1, t_1) dx_1$



Lagrangian density:

$$\mathcal{L}(x) = \frac{C_\ell}{2} \left(\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial t} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{2L_\ell} \left(\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial x} \right)^2$$

Momentum density:

$$\Pi(x) \equiv \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial \Phi / \partial t)} = C_\ell \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial t}$$

= CHARGE DENSITY ON WIRE

Commutation relations:

$$[\hat{\Phi}(x_1), \hat{\Pi}(x_2)] = i\hbar \delta(x_1 - x_2)$$

$$[\hat{\Phi}(x_1), \hat{\Phi}(x_2)] = [\hat{\Pi}(x_1), \hat{\Pi}(x_2)] = 0$$

COMMUTATION RELATIONS OF WAVE AMPLITUDES

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$$\hat{A}^{\text{in,out}}[\omega]^\dagger = \hat{A}^{\text{in,out}}[-\omega]$$

non-hermitian operator,
with two quadratures
distributed over the pair
of positive and negative
frequencies.

$$[\hat{A}^{\text{in,out}}[\omega_1], \hat{A}^{\text{in,out}}[\omega_2]] = \frac{\hbar}{2} \left(\frac{\omega_1 - \omega_2}{2} \right) \delta(\omega_1 + \omega_2)$$

WAVE AMPLITUDE vs PHOTON OPERATORS

operator of
wave amplitude in
Fourier domain

$$\hat{A}^{in,out}[\omega] = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar|\omega|}{2}} \hat{a}^{in,out}[\omega]$$

$$\begin{cases} [A^{in,out}[\omega]] = [\text{power}^{1/2} \times \text{time}] = [\text{action}]^{1/2} \\ [a^{in,out}[\omega]] = [\text{time}]^{1/2} \end{cases}$$

propagation direction
angular frequency
(positive or negative)

field ladder
operator

$$a^{in,out}[-|\omega|] = a^{in,out}[|\omega|]^\dagger$$

Each frequency $|\omega|$ contains
both quadratures of signal

Ladder operators have standard commutation relations described by a single relation:

$$[\hat{a}^{in,out}[\omega_1], \hat{a}^{in,out}[\omega_2]] = \text{sgn}(\omega_1 - \omega_2) \delta(\omega_1 + \omega_2)$$

Scattering always preserves commutation relations.

INPUT NUMBER OF PHOTONS IN FREQUENCY DOMAIN

Input wave amplitude spectral density:

$$\langle A^{in}[\omega_1] A^{in}[\omega_2] \rangle = S_{A^{in}A^{in}}[\omega_1] \delta(\omega_1 + \omega_2) \quad \text{In } T \text{ equilibrium: } S_{A^{in}A^{in}}[\omega] = \frac{\hbar\omega}{4} \left[\coth\left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{2k_B T}\right) + 1 \right]$$

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Photon amplitude spectral density:

$$\langle a[\omega_1] a[\omega_2] \rangle = S_{aa}[\omega_1] \delta(\omega_1 + \omega_2)$$

$$\text{Thermal spec. dens. } S_{aa}[\omega] = \frac{\text{sgn}(\omega)}{2} \left[\coth\left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{2k_B T}\right) + 1 \right]$$

Number of photons per unit time per unit bandwidth crossing a section of line:

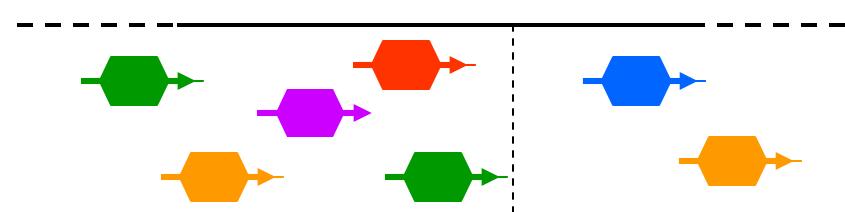
$$N(|\omega|) = S_{aa}[-|\omega|] \quad \leftarrow \text{available photons}$$

$$N_{+ZPF}(|\omega|) = \frac{1}{2} (S_{aa}[+|\omega|] + S_{aa}[-|\omega|]) = N(|\omega|) + \frac{1}{2}$$

Folding of spectral density exhibits quantum noise

Input signal in thermal equilibrium:

$$\begin{cases} N_{+ZPF}^T(|\omega|) = \frac{1}{2} \coth\left(\frac{\hbar|\omega|}{2k_B T}\right) \\ N_{+ZPF}^T(|\omega|) \xrightarrow{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k_B T}{\hbar|\omega|} \\ N_{+ZPF}^T(|\omega|) \xrightarrow{T \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$



available photons carry entropy
quantum noise carries no entropy

INPUT PHOTON FIELD IN TIME DOMAIN

Define:

$$\tilde{a}^{in}(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-i\omega t} \hat{a}^{in}[\omega] d\omega$$

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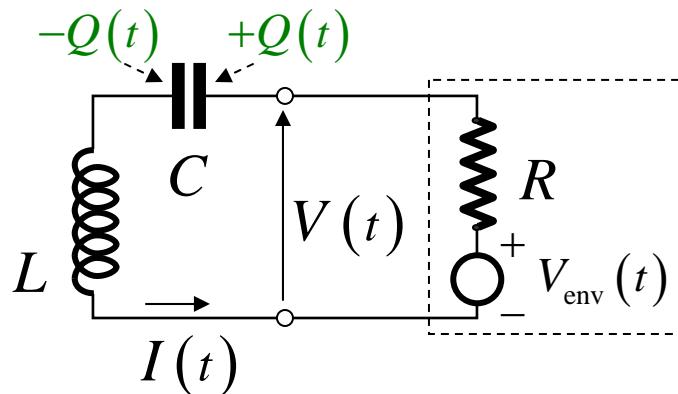
$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-i\omega t} \hat{a}^{in}[\omega] d\omega$$

$$\langle \tilde{a}^{in}(t)^\dagger \tilde{a}^{in}(t) \rangle = \langle \dot{N}^{in}(t) \rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{+\infty} S_{a^{in}a^{in}}[-\omega] d\omega$$

In thermal equilibrium,
with drive at Ω :

$$S_{a^{in}a^{in}}[\omega] = \frac{\text{sgn}(\omega)}{2} \left[\coth\left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{2k_B T}\right) + 1 \right] + 2\pi \dot{N}_d [\delta(\omega - \Omega) + \delta(\omega + \Omega)]$$

DRIVEN, DISSIPATIVE LC SERIES CIRCUIT



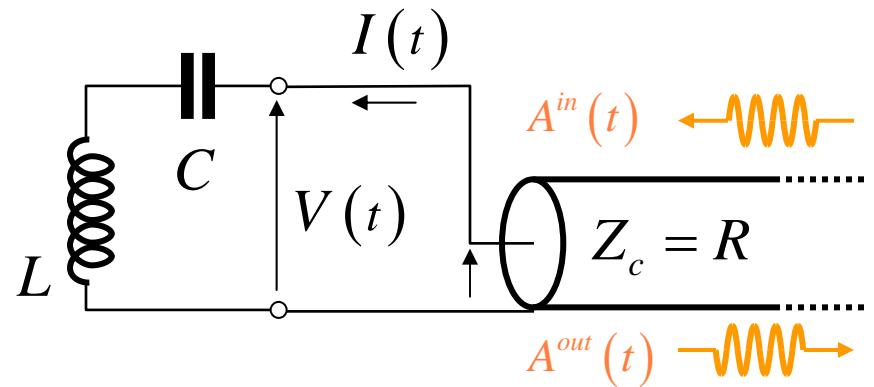
$$V_{\text{env}}(t) = V_D(t) + V_N(t)$$

deterministic
drive signal

noise assoc.
w/ dissipation

$$V(t) = \frac{Q}{C} + L\ddot{Q} = -R\dot{Q} + V_{\text{env}}(t)$$

Kirchhoff's laws → equations of motion



amplitude
of waves on
transm. line

$$\begin{cases} A^{\text{in}}(t) = \frac{V}{2\sqrt{R}} + \frac{\sqrt{RI}}{2} \\ A^{\text{out}}(t) = \frac{V}{2\sqrt{R}} - \frac{\sqrt{RI}}{2} \end{cases}$$

input wave carries drive and noise
output wave carries away losses

$$\left[A^{\text{out}}(t) \right]^2 - \left[A^{\text{in}}(t) \right]^2 = VI = P(t)$$

$$[A] = [\text{power}]^{1/2}$$

Two point of views:

Standing degree of freedom

$$L\ddot{Q} + R\dot{Q} + \frac{Q}{C} = V_D(t) + V_N(t)$$

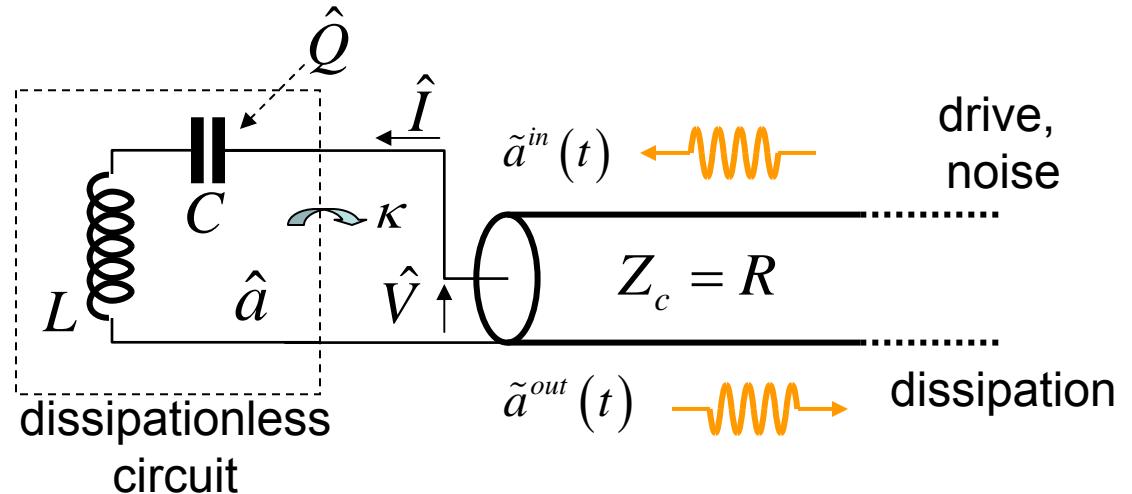
initial conditions: $Q(t=0), \dot{Q}(t=0)$

Scattering of propagating waves

$$\begin{cases} L\ddot{Q} + R\dot{Q} + \frac{Q}{C} = 2\sqrt{R}A^{\text{in}}(t) \\ A^{\text{out}}(t) = A^{\text{in}}(t) - \sqrt{R}\dot{Q} \end{cases}$$

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(Method can be extended if damping is frequency dependent, works if environment has many d. o. freedom)



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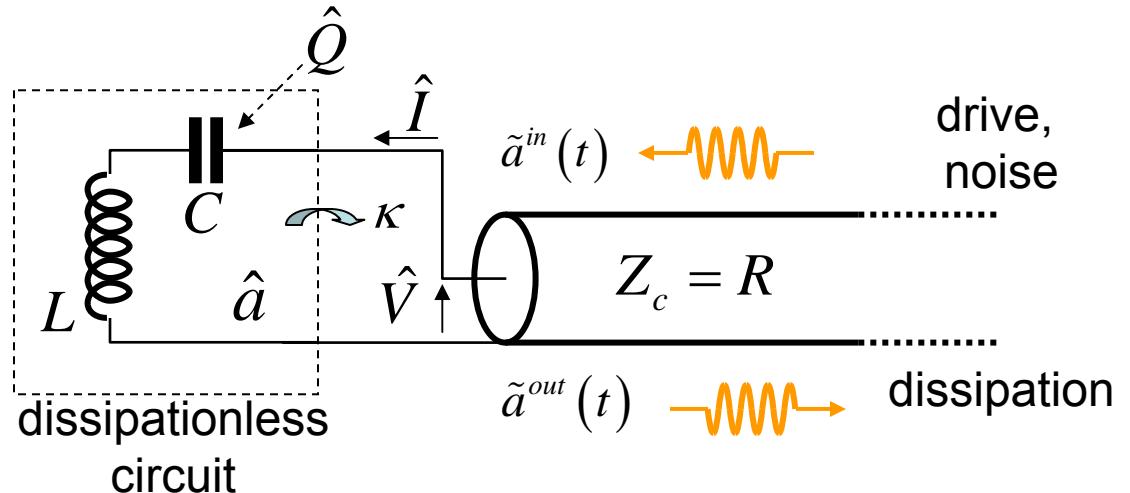
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$$\text{Rate of photon loss: } \kappa = \omega_e R / Z_e = \frac{R}{L}$$

With dissipation, \hat{a} acquires a non-trivial time dependence:

Quantum Langevin equation:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \hat{a} = \frac{i}{\hbar} [\hat{H}, \hat{a}] - \frac{\kappa}{2} \hat{a} + \sqrt{\kappa} \tilde{a}^{in}$$

$$\tilde{a}^{out} = \tilde{a}^{in} - \sqrt{\kappa} a$$

(form given here is valid in under-damped limit)

$$\frac{d}{dt} \hat{a} = -i\omega_e \hat{a} - \frac{\kappa}{2} \hat{a} + \sqrt{\kappa} \tilde{a}^{in}$$

EXERCICE: PHOTON POPULATION OF DAMPED OSCILLATOR IN THERMAL EQUILIBRIUM

Start from Langevin equation:
(valid in very weak damping limit)

$$\frac{d}{dt} \hat{a} = -i\omega_e \hat{a} - \frac{\kappa}{2} \hat{a} + \sqrt{\kappa} \tilde{a}^{in}(t)$$

Go to Fourier domain:

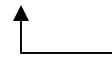
$$-i\omega \hat{a} = -i\omega_e \hat{a} - \frac{\kappa}{2} \hat{a} + \sqrt{\kappa} \tilde{a}^{in}[\omega]$$

Photon amplitude susceptibility:

$$\hat{a}[\omega] = \tilde{\chi}_{aa}[\omega] \tilde{a}^{in}[\omega]$$

$$\tilde{\chi}_{aa}[\omega] = \frac{\sqrt{\kappa}}{\frac{\kappa}{2} - i(\omega - \omega_e)}$$

$$|\tilde{\chi}_{aa}[\omega]|^2 = 2 \frac{\kappa/2}{(\kappa/2)^2 + (\omega - \omega_e)^2}$$

 strongly peaked at ω_e ,
integral over pos. freq. = 2π

Photon number in oscillator:

$$\langle N \rangle = \langle a^\dagger a \rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{+\infty} a[\omega]^\dagger a[\omega] d\omega = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{+\infty} |\tilde{\chi}_{aa}[\omega]|^2 N^{in}(\omega) d\omega$$

$$\langle N \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left[\coth \left(\frac{\hbar \omega_e}{2k_B T} \right) - 1 \right] = \left[\exp \left(\frac{\hbar \omega_e}{k_B T} \right) - 1 \right]^{-1}$$

Have recovered stat. mech.
result from scattering treatment!

END OF LECTURE