Squeezed Light at Sideband Frequencies below 100 kHz

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Quantum Noise of a Conventional MI





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Squeezed Light from an OPA





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Optical Parametric Amplification (OPA)



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OPA Amplitude Noise Transfer Function

Amplitude quadratures in frequency space



$$\hat{X}_{\rm sqz}^{+} = \left\{ \sqrt{4\kappa_{\rm ic}\kappa_{\rm oc}}\hat{X}_{\rm ic}^{+} + \sqrt{4\kappa_{\rm loss}\kappa_{\rm oc}}\hat{X}_{\rm loss}^{+} \right. \\ \left. + (2\kappa_{\rm oc} - i\Omega - \kappa + g)\hat{X}_{\rm oc}^{+} \right\} / (i\Omega + \kappa - g)$$



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Scheme 9

Locked Amplitude Squeezed Light





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Scheme 11





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Scheme 12





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Amplitude noise variance: $V_{\rm out}^+ = \langle (\hat{X}_{\rm out}^+)^2 \rangle - \langle \hat{X}_{\rm out}^+ \rangle^2$ inside OPA cavity bandwidth:

 $|\Omega| << |\kappa|$



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Variance 14

$$V_{\text{out}}^{+} = \begin{cases} V_{\text{src}}^{+} \left[\sqrt{(1-\varepsilon_{1})\varepsilon_{2}} \sqrt{4\kappa_{\text{ic}}\kappa_{\text{oc}}/\kappa^{2}} \right]^{2} \\ -\sqrt{\varepsilon_{1}(1-\varepsilon_{2})}(1-g/\kappa) \right]^{2} \\ +V_{\text{vac}}^{+} \left[\sqrt{\varepsilon_{1}\varepsilon_{2}} \sqrt{4\kappa_{\text{ic}}\kappa_{\text{oc}}/\kappa^{2}} \\ +\sqrt{(1-\varepsilon_{1})(1-\varepsilon_{2})}(1-g/\kappa) \right]^{2} \\ +V_{\text{oc}}^{+} \left[\sqrt{\varepsilon_{2}} \left(2\kappa_{\text{oc}}/\kappa - 1 + g/\kappa \right) \right]^{2} \\ +V_{\text{loss}}^{+} \left[\sqrt{\varepsilon_{2}} \sqrt{4\kappa_{\text{loss}}\kappa_{\text{oc}}/\kappa^{2}} \right]^{2} \end{cases} / (1-g/\kappa)^{2}$$



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Variance 15

$$\rightarrow \quad \varepsilon_1^+ = 1 - \left[1 + \frac{\varepsilon_2}{(1 - \varepsilon_2)} \frac{4\kappa_{\rm ic}\kappa_{\rm oc}/\kappa^2}{(1 - g/\kappa)^2} \right]^{-1}$$

$$V_{\rm out}^+(\varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon_1^+) = V_{\rm sqzvac}^+ = 1 + \varepsilon_2 \frac{4\kappa_{\rm oc}g}{(\kappa - g)^2}$$



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The Hannover Squeezing Experiment





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Squeezing Spectra





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Squeezing Spectrum at Low Frequencies





Bowen *et al.* (2002)





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Summary

• Squeezed states below 100 kHz were demonstrated (carrier light at 1064 nm).

- We used a single OPA scheme employing 600 mW laser power in total.
- Further experiments will aim for acoustic frequencies.



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