

6.453 Quantum Optical Communication - Lecture 12

- Announcements
 - Turn in problem set 6
 - Pick up problem set 6 solutions, problem set 7, lecture notes, slides, term paper guidelines
- Single-Mode and Two-Mode Linear Systems
 - Attenuators
 - Phase-Insensitive Amplifiers
 - Phase-Sensitive Amplifiers
 - Entanglement

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Single-Mode Linear Systems: Quantum Case

Attenuation

$$\hat{a}_{\rm in} \longrightarrow 0 < L < 1$$
 $\Rightarrow \hat{a}_{\rm out} = \sqrt{L} \, \hat{a}_{\rm in} + \sqrt{1 - L} \, \hat{a}_{L}$

minimum-noise case: \hat{a}_L in its vacuum state

Phase-Insensitive Amplification

$$\hat{a}_{\rm in} \longrightarrow \boxed{G > 1} \longrightarrow \hat{a}_{\rm out} = \sqrt{G} \, \hat{a}_{\rm in} + \sqrt{G - 1} \, \hat{a}_G^{\dagger}$$

minimum-noise case: \hat{a}_G in its vacuum state

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Output State of the Attenuator

• Quantum Characteristic-Function Analysis:

$$\begin{split} \chi_A^{\rho_{\text{out}}}(\zeta^*,\zeta) &= \chi_A^{\rho_{\text{in}}}(\sqrt{L}\zeta^*,\sqrt{L}\zeta)\chi_A^{\rho_L}(\sqrt{1-L}\zeta^*,\sqrt{1-L}\zeta) \\ &= \chi_A^{\rho_{\text{in}}}(\sqrt{L}\zeta^*,\sqrt{L}\zeta)e^{-(1-L)|\zeta|^2}, \text{ for vacuum-state } \hat{a}_L \\ &= e^{-\zeta^*\sqrt{L}\alpha_{\text{in}}+\zeta\sqrt{L}\alpha_{\text{in}}^*-|\zeta|^2}, \text{ for coherent-state } \hat{a}_{\text{in}} \\ &= \langle\sqrt{L}\alpha_{\text{in}}|e^{-\zeta^*\hat{a}_{\text{out}}}e^{\zeta\hat{a}_{\text{out}}^\dagger}|\sqrt{L}\alpha_{\text{in}}\rangle \end{split}$$

Attenuation Preserves State Classicality:

$$P_{\rm in}(\alpha, \alpha^*) \longrightarrow \frac{1}{L} P_{\rm in}\left(\frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{L}}, \frac{\alpha^*}{\sqrt{L}}\right)$$

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Output State of the Phase-Insensitive Amplifier

• Quantum Characteristic-Function Analysis:

$$\chi_A^{\rho_{\text{out}}}(\zeta^*, \zeta) = \chi_A^{\rho_{\text{in}}}(\sqrt{G}\zeta^*, \sqrt{G}\zeta)\chi_N^{\rho_G}(-\sqrt{G-1}\zeta, -\sqrt{G-1}\zeta^*)$$

$$= \chi_A^{\rho_{\text{in}}}(\sqrt{G}\zeta^*, \sqrt{G}\zeta), \text{ for vacuum-state } \hat{a}_G$$

$$= e^{-\zeta^*\sqrt{G}\alpha_{\text{in}} + \zeta\sqrt{G}\alpha_{\text{in}}^* - G|\zeta|^2}, \text{ for coherent-state } \hat{a}_{\text{in}}$$

 $= \langle \sqrt{G}\alpha_{\rm in}|e^{-\zeta^*\hat{a}_{\rm out}}e^{\zeta\hat{a}_{\rm out}^{\dagger}}|\sqrt{G}\alpha_{\rm in}\rangle e^{-(G-1)|\zeta|^2}$

Phase-Insensitive Amplification Preserves Classicality:

$$P_{\rm in}(\alpha, \alpha^*) \longrightarrow \frac{1}{G} P_{\rm in}\left(\frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{G}}, \frac{\alpha^*}{\sqrt{G}}\right) \star \frac{e^{-|\alpha|^2/(G-1)}}{\pi(G-1)}$$

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Semiclassical Photodetection Results

- Attenuator with Known a_{in}

$$a_{\mathrm{in}} \longrightarrow \boxed{0 < L < 1} \longrightarrow \boxed{\begin{array}{c} \sqrt{L}a_{\mathrm{in}} \\ \text{Photodetection} \\ \text{system} \end{array}}$$

- Direct detection: N Poisson with mean $L|a_{\rm in}|^2$
- Homodyne detection: $\alpha_{\theta} \sim N(\sqrt{L}a_{\mathrm{in}_{\theta}}, 1/4)$
- Heterodyne detection: $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \,\, {\rm SI} \,\,, \alpha_i \sim N(\sqrt{L}a_{{\rm in}_i}, 1/2)$

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Semiclassical Photodetection Results

• Phase-Insensitive Amplifier with Known $a_{
m in}$

$$a_{\rm in} \longrightarrow \boxed{G>1} \qquad \stackrel{\sqrt{G}a_{\rm in}+n}{\longrightarrow} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{Photodetection} \\ \text{system} \end{array}$$

$$n=n_1+jn_2, \text{ with } n_1,n_2 \text{ SI }, n_i \sim N(0,(G-1)/2)$$

- Homodyne detection: $lpha_{ heta} \sim N(\sqrt{G}a_{ ext{in}_{ heta}}, (2G-1)/4)$
- Heterodyne detection: $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \,\, {\rm SI} \,\,, \alpha_i \sim N(\sqrt{G} a_{{\rm in}_i}, G/2)$



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Semiclassical Direct Detection Results

• Phase-Insensitive Amplifier with Known $a_{
m in}$

$$\langle N \rangle = \underbrace{G|a_{\rm in}|^2}_{\rm amplified\ signal} + \underbrace{(G-1)}_{\rm amplifier\ noise}$$

$$\langle \Delta N^2 \rangle = \underbrace{\langle \mathcal{N} \rangle}_{\text{shot noise}} + \underbrace{\langle \Delta \mathcal{N}^2 \rangle}_{\text{excess noise}}, \text{ where } \mathcal{N} \equiv |\sqrt{G}a_{\text{in}} + n|^2$$

$$= \underbrace{[G|a_{\text{in}}|^2 + (G-1)]}_{\text{shot noise}} + \underbrace{[2G(G-1)|a_{\text{in}}|^2 + (G-1)^2]}_{\text{excess noise}}$$

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Two-Mode Linear System: Parametric Amplifier



Input and Output Field Operators:

$$\hat{\mathbf{E}}_{\rm in}(t) = \frac{\hat{a}_{\rm in_x} e^{-j\omega t}}{\sqrt{T}} \mathbf{i}_x + \frac{\hat{a}_{\rm in_y} e^{-j\omega t}}{\sqrt{T}} \mathbf{i}_y + \text{ other terms}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{E}}_{\text{out}}(t) = \frac{\hat{a}_{\text{out}_x} e^{-j\omega t}}{\sqrt{T}} \mathbf{i}_x + \frac{\hat{a}_{\text{out}_y} e^{-j\omega t}}{\sqrt{T}} \mathbf{i}_y + \text{ other terms}$$

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Two-Mode Linear System: Parametric Amplifier

Two-Mode Bogoliubov Transformation:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \hat{a}_{\mathrm{out}_x} &=& \mu \hat{a}_{\mathrm{in}_x} + \nu \hat{a}_{\mathrm{in}_y}^\dagger \\ & \hat{a}_{\mathrm{out}_y} &=& \mu \hat{a}_{\mathrm{in}_y} + \nu \hat{a}_{\mathrm{in}_x}^\dagger \end{array}$$
 where $|\mu|^2 - |\nu|^2 = 1$

Phase-Insensitive Amplifier:

$$\hat{a}_{\text{in}_x} = \text{signal input}, \hat{a}_{\text{out}_x} = \text{signal output}$$
 \hat{a}_{in_y} in vacuum state $\mu = \sqrt{G} > 1, \nu = \sqrt{G-1} > 0$

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Two-Mode Linear System: Parametric Amplifier

Bogoliubov Transformations for the Diagonal Basis:

$$\hat{a}_{\text{out}_{\pm 45}} = \mu \hat{a}_{\text{in}_{\pm 45}} \pm \nu \hat{a}_{\text{in}_{\pm 45}}^{\dagger}$$

• Phase-Sensitive Amplifier: $\mu = \sqrt{G} > 1, \nu = \sqrt{G-1} > 0$

$$\langle \hat{a}_{\text{out}_{45_1}} \rangle = \underbrace{(\sqrt{G} + \sqrt{G} - 1)}_{\text{amplification}} \langle \hat{a}_{\text{in}_{45_1}} \rangle$$

$$\langle \hat{a}_{\text{out}_{45_2}} \rangle = \underbrace{(\sqrt{G} - \sqrt{G} - 1)}_{\text{attenuation}} \langle \hat{a}_{\text{in}_{45_2}} \rangle$$

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Output State of the Parametric Amplifier

• Quantum Characteristic-Function Analysis:

$$\chi_W^{\rho_{\text{out}}}(\zeta_x^*, \zeta_y^*, \zeta_x, \zeta_y) \equiv \langle e^{-\zeta_x^* \hat{a}_{\text{out}_x} - \zeta_y^* \hat{a}_{\text{out}_y} + \zeta_x \hat{a}_{\text{out}_x}^{\dagger} + \zeta_y \hat{a}_{\text{out}_y}^{\dagger} \rangle}$$

$$= \chi_W^{\rho_{\text{in}}}(\xi_x^*, \xi_y^*, \xi_x, \xi_y)$$

$$\xi_x \equiv \sqrt{G} \zeta_x - \sqrt{G - 1} \zeta_y^* \text{ and } \xi_y \equiv \sqrt{G} \zeta_y - \sqrt{G - 1} \zeta_x^*$$

Important Special Case: Vacuum-State Inputs

$$\chi_A^{\rho_{\text{out}}}(\zeta_x^*, \zeta_y^*, \zeta_x, \zeta_y) = e^{-G(|\zeta_x|^2 + |\zeta_y|^2) + 2\sqrt{G(G-1)}\operatorname{Re}(\zeta_x \zeta_y)}$$

$$\neq \chi_A^{\rho_{\text{out}_x}}(\zeta_x^*, \zeta_x)\chi_A^{\rho_{\text{out}_y}}(\zeta_y^*, \zeta_y)$$

output state is entangled

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Coming Attractions: Lecture 13

- Lecture 13:
 - Four-Mode Quantum Systems
 - Polarization entanglement
 - Qubit teleportation



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