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## 6.453 Quantum Optical Communication Lecture 12

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## 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
- Single-Mode and Two-Mode Linear Systems
  - Attenuators
  - Phase-Insensitive Amplifiers
  - Phase-Sensitive Amplifiers
  - Entanglement

## Single-Mode Linear Systems: Quantum Case

- Attenuation

$$\hat{a}_{\text{in}} \rightarrow \boxed{0 < L < 1} \rightarrow \hat{a}_{\text{out}} = \sqrt{L} \hat{a}_{\text{in}} + \sqrt{1 - L} \hat{a}_L$$

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

- Phase-Insensitive Amplification

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

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

## Output State of the Attenuator

- Quantum Characteristic-Function Analysis:

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

- Attenuation Preserves State Classicality:

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

## Output State of the Phase-Insensitive Amplifier

- Quantum Characteristic-Function Analysis:

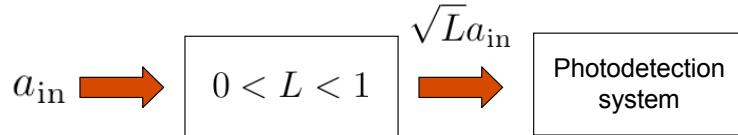
$$\begin{aligned}\chi_A^{\rho_{\text{out}}}(\zeta^*, \zeta) &= \chi_A^{\rho_{\text{in}}}(\sqrt{G}\zeta^*, \sqrt{G}\zeta)\chi_N^{\rho_G}(-\sqrt{G-1}\zeta, -\sqrt{G-1}\zeta^*) \\ &= \chi_A^{\rho_{\text{in}}}(\sqrt{G}\zeta^*, \sqrt{G}\zeta), \text{ for vacuum-state } \hat{a}_G \\ &= e^{-\zeta^*\sqrt{G}\alpha_{\text{in}}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

- Phase-Insensitive Amplification Preserves Classicality:

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

## Semiclassical Photodetection Results

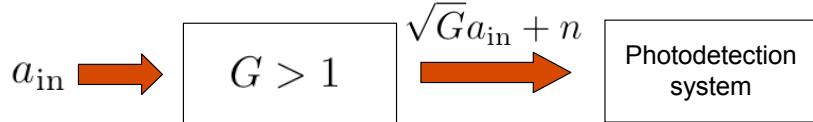
- Attenuator with Known  $a_{\text{in}}$



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

## Semiclassical Photodetection Results

- Phase-Insensitive Amplifier with Known  $a_{\text{in}}$



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

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

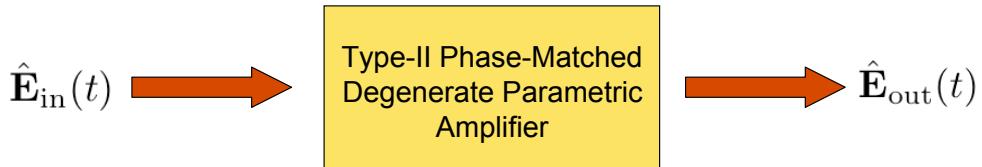
## Semiclassical Direct Detection Results

- Phase-Insensitive Amplifier with Known  $a_{\text{in}}$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Delta N^2 \rangle &= \underbrace{\langle \mathcal{N} \rangle}_{\text{shot noise}} + \underbrace{\langle \Delta \mathcal{N}^2 \rangle}_{\text{excess noise}}, \text{ where } \mathcal{N} \equiv |\sqrt{G}a_{\text{in}} + n|^2 \\ &= \underbrace{[G|a_{\text{in}}|^2 + (G - 1)]}_{\text{shot noise}} + \underbrace{[2G(G - 1)|a_{\text{in}}|^2 + (G - 1)^2]}_{\text{excess noise}} \end{aligned}$$

## Two-Mode Linear System: Parametric Amplifier



- Input and Output Field Operators:

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

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

## Two-Mode Linear System: Parametric Amplifier

- Two-Mode Bogoliubov Transformation:

$$\hat{a}_{\text{out}_x} = \mu \hat{a}_{\text{in}_x} + \nu \hat{a}_{\text{in}_y}^\dagger$$

$$\hat{a}_{\text{out}_y} = \mu \hat{a}_{\text{in}_y} + \nu \hat{a}_{\text{in}_x}^\dagger$$

where  $|\mu|^2 - |\nu|^2 = 1$

- Phase-Insensitive Amplifier:

$\hat{a}_{\text{in}_x}$  = signal input,  $\hat{a}_{\text{out}_x}$  = signal output

$\hat{a}_{\text{in}_y}$  in vacuum state

$$\mu = \sqrt{G} > 1, \nu = \sqrt{G - 1} > 0$$

## 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:  $\mu = \sqrt{G} > 1, \nu = \sqrt{G-1} > 0$

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

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

## Output State of the Parametric Amplifier

- Quantum Characteristic-Function Analysis:

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_W^{\rho_{\text{out}}}(\zeta_x^*, \zeta_y^*, \zeta_x, \zeta_y) &\equiv \langle e^{-\zeta_x^* \hat{a}_{\text{out}x} - \zeta_y^* \hat{a}_{\text{out}y} + \zeta_x \hat{a}_{\text{out}x}^\dagger + \zeta_y \hat{a}_{\text{out}y}^\dagger} \rangle \\ &= \chi_W^{\rho_{\text{in}}}(\xi_x^*, \xi_y^*, \xi_x, \xi_y) \end{aligned}$$

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

- Important Special Case: Vacuum-State Inputs

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_A^{\rho_{\text{out}}}(\zeta_x^*, \zeta_y^*, \zeta_x, \zeta_y) &= e^{-G(|\zeta_x|^2 + |\zeta_y|^2) + 2\sqrt{G(G-1)}\text{Re}(\zeta_x \zeta_y)} \\ &\neq \chi_A^{\rho_{\text{out}x}}(\zeta_x^*, \zeta_x) \chi_A^{\rho_{\text{out}y}}(\zeta_y^*, \zeta_y) \end{aligned}$$

output state is *entangled*

## Coming Attractions: Lecture 13

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