

Quantum Hamiltonian Engineering via Parametric Drives

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What a quantum machine looks like



Classical control lines

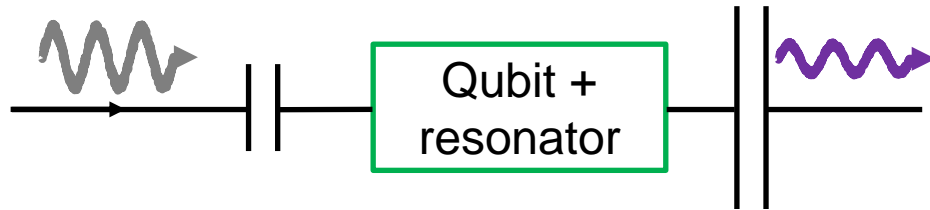
Dilution unit (cryogenic cooling)

50 or so readout channels

50 or so quantum bits

IBM

Quantum signals from qubits



We might care to

- amplify this pulse
- route it to another qubit/cavity
- Interfere it with another pulse
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Key limitation: quantum efficiency

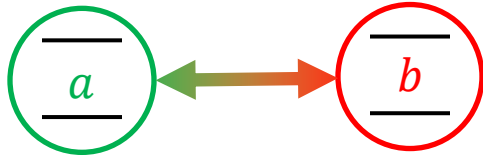
Solution: parametric amplification

Outline

- Parametric amplification
- Effect of 4th order terms
- Multiple parametric drives

Parametrically driven couplings

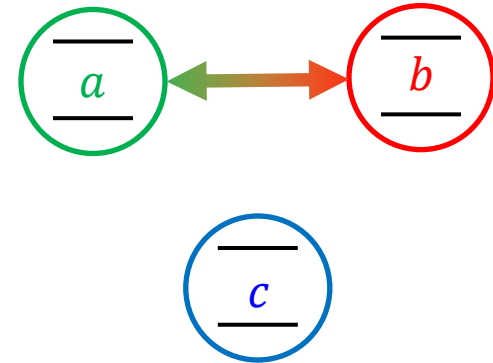
direct exchange



$$\frac{\mathcal{H}_{int}}{\hbar} = g(ab^\dagger + a^\dagger b)$$

- if $\omega_a - \omega_b \gg \kappa_{a,b}$ this term dies due to energy conservation (RWA)
- interaction also turns off slowly vs. detuning, limiting the on/off ratio

parametrically driven exchange (Conv)



$$\frac{\mathcal{H}_{int}}{\hbar} = g(ab^\dagger c^\dagger + a^\dagger bc)$$

- if $\omega_c \neq \omega_a - \omega_b$ we can drive the c-mode 'stiffly'

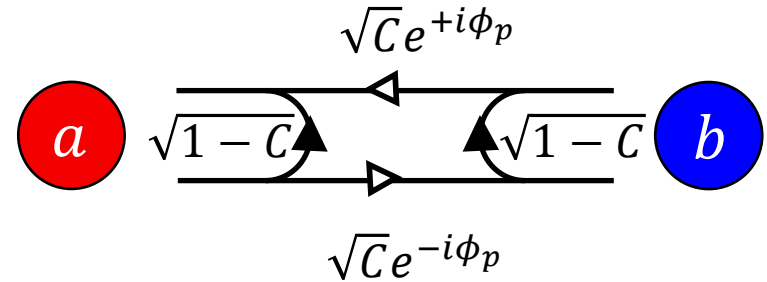
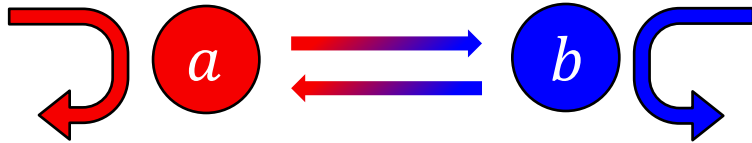
$$\frac{\mathcal{H}_{int}}{\hbar} = gab^\dagger + g^* a^\dagger b$$

- Parametric drive fully controls strength and phase of interaction

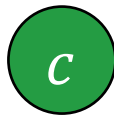
Photon conversion (Conv)

$$\omega_p = \omega_a - \omega_b \neq \omega_c$$

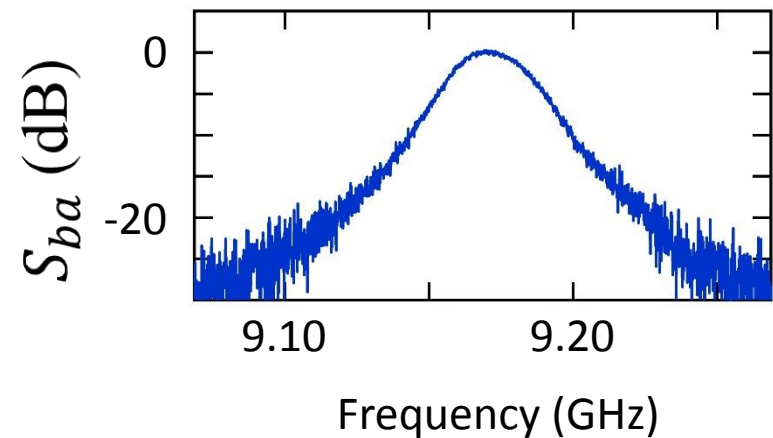
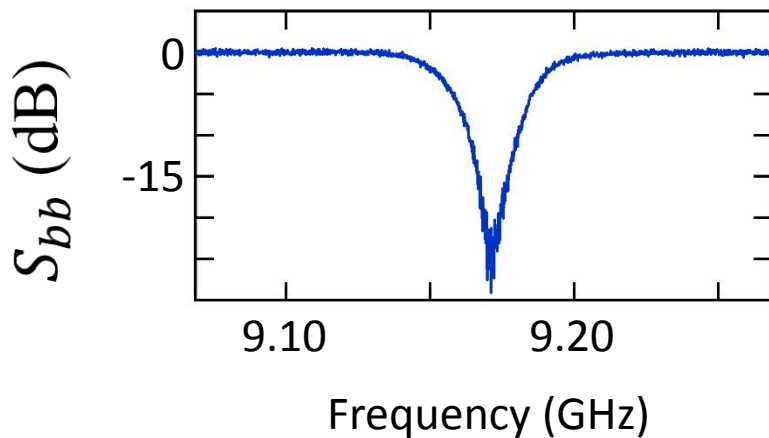
$$H_G = \hbar g (a^\dagger b e^{i\phi_p} + a b^\dagger e^{-i\phi_p})$$



$$\omega_p \simeq \omega_a - \omega_b$$



$$C = \frac{2^{P_P/P_C}}{\left(1 + P_P/P_C\right)^2}$$



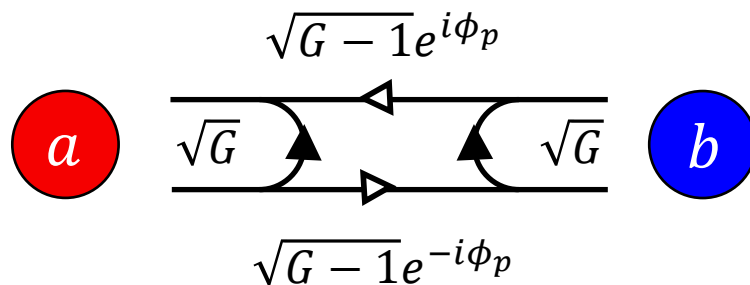
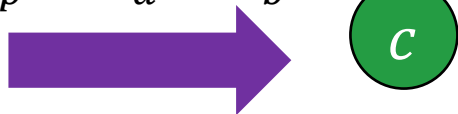
Phase preserving gain (Gain)

$$\omega_p = \omega_a + \omega_b \neq \omega_c$$

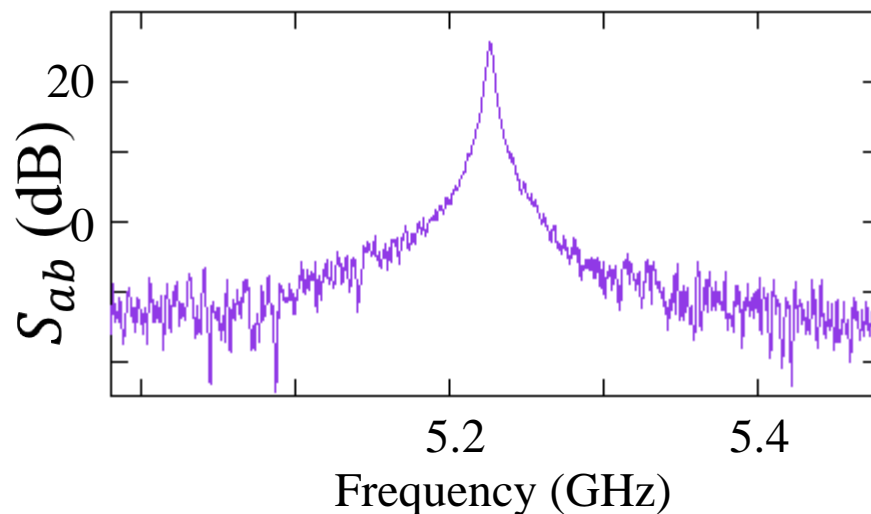
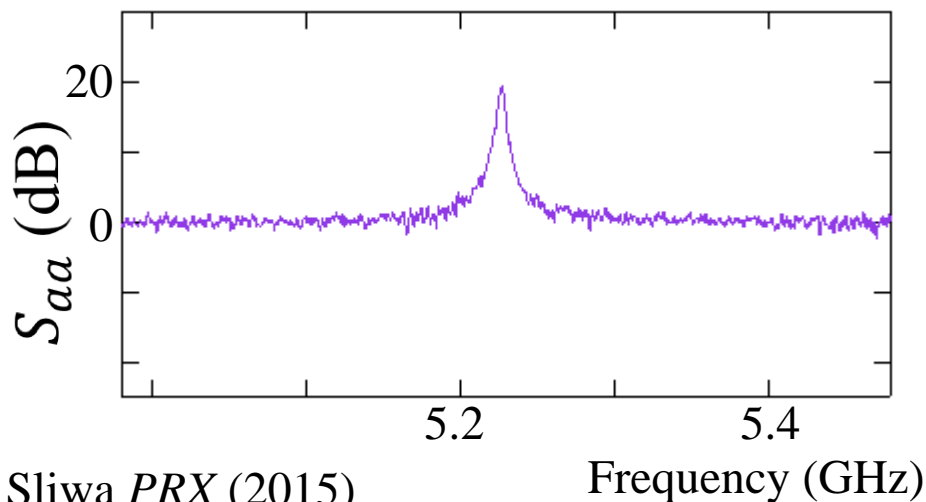
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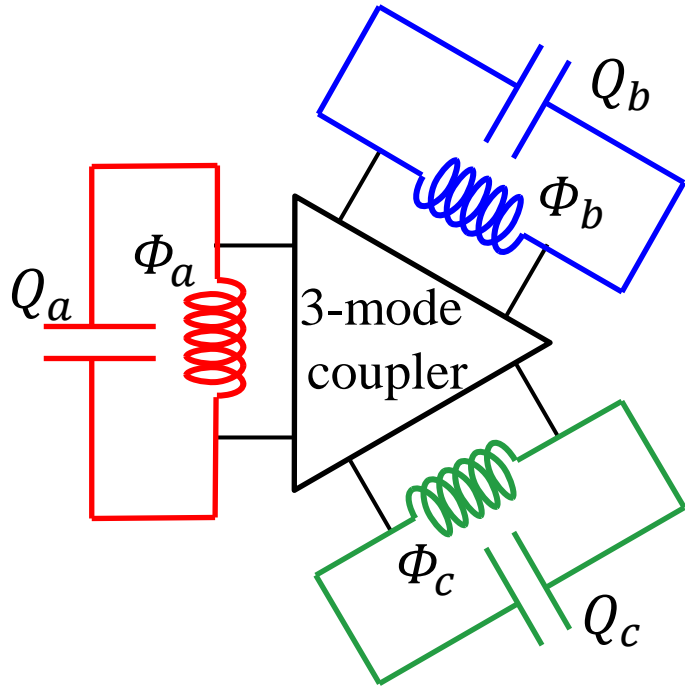
$$\omega_p \simeq \omega_a + \omega_b$$



$$G = \frac{\left(1 + \frac{P_P}{P_C}\right)^2}{\left(1 - \frac{P_P}{P_C}\right)^2}$$



Parametric coupling overview



$$H_{couple} \propto \Phi_a \Phi_b \Phi_c$$

Re-write in terms of a, b, c

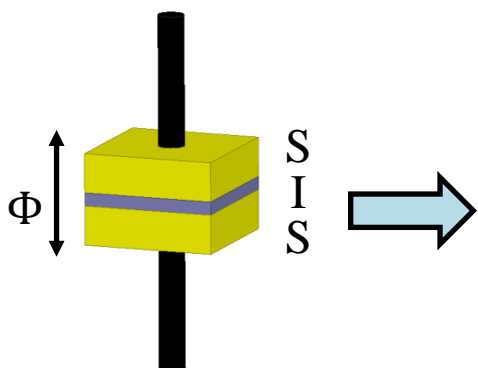
$$\begin{aligned} H_{couple} &= \hbar g_3 (a + a^\dagger)(b + b^\dagger)(c + c^\dagger) \\ &= \hbar g_3 (abc^\dagger + a^\dagger b^\dagger c + ab^\dagger c + a^\dagger bc^\dagger + \dots) \end{aligned}$$

- If frequencies $\omega_{a,b,c}$ all very different, all terms die in the rotating wave approx.
- Drive one mode (c) at $\omega_p = \omega_a + \omega_b \neq \omega_c$
- Stiff pump: $c \rightarrow \langle c \rangle = |c|e^{i\phi_p}$

$$H_G = \hbar g (a^\dagger b^\dagger e^{i\phi_p} + abe^{-i\phi_p})$$

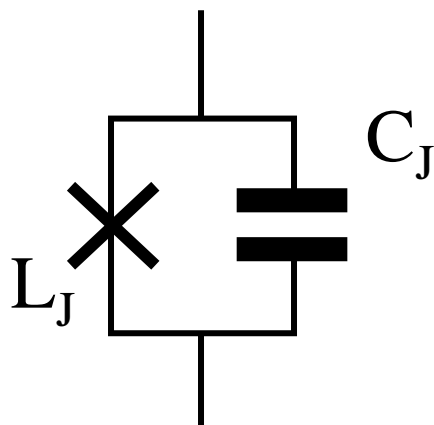
Physical Implementations: Josephson junctions, opto-mechanics, diodes, optical fibers....

The Josephson tunnel junction



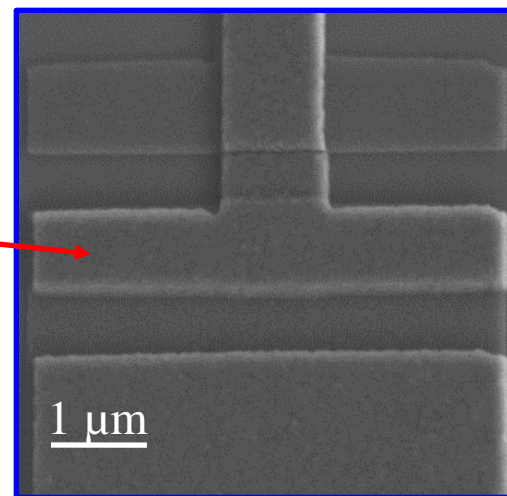
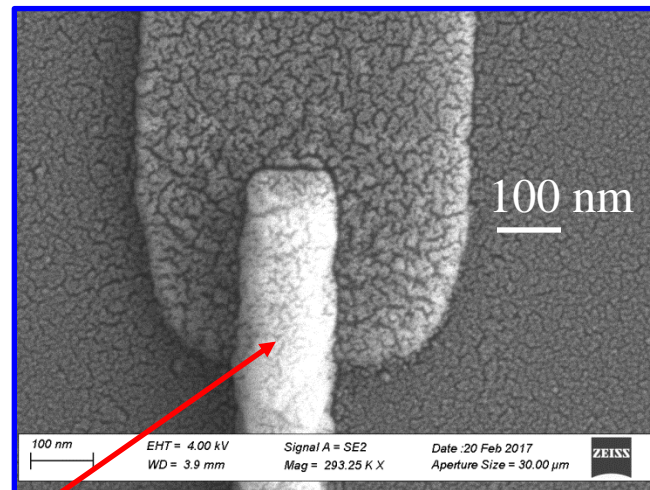
SUPERCONDUCTING
TUNNEL JUNCTION

$$I = I_0 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{\Phi_0} \Phi\right)$$



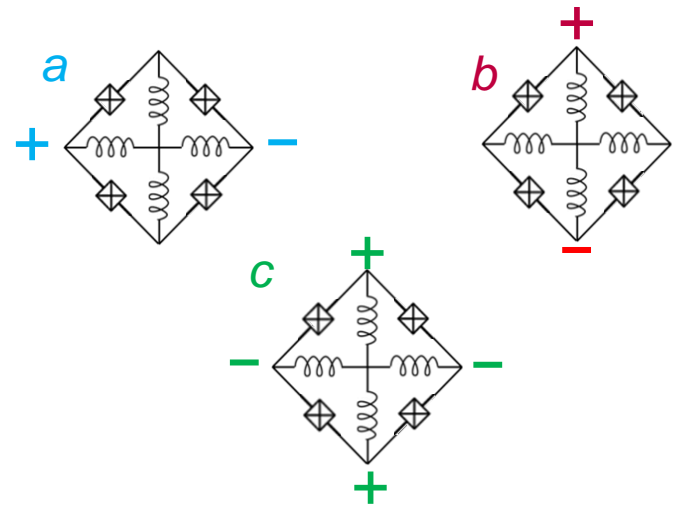
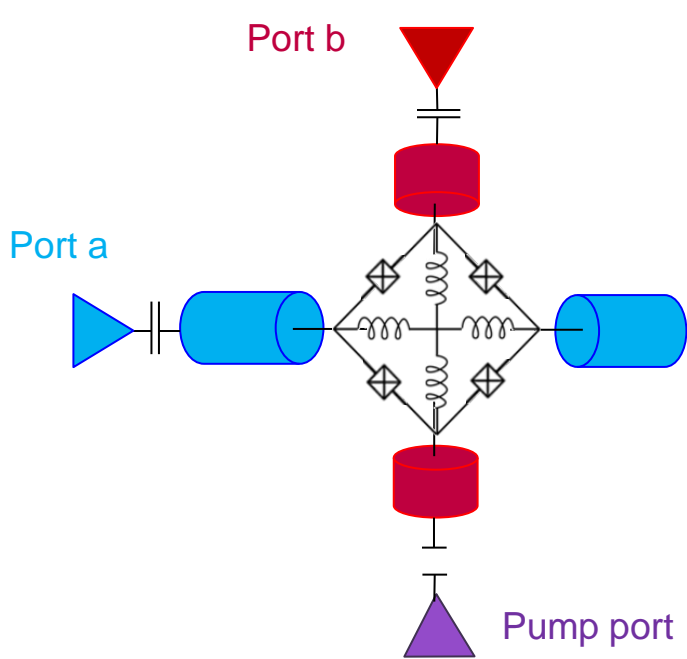
Al/AlO_x/Al
tunnel junction

T ~ 20 mK



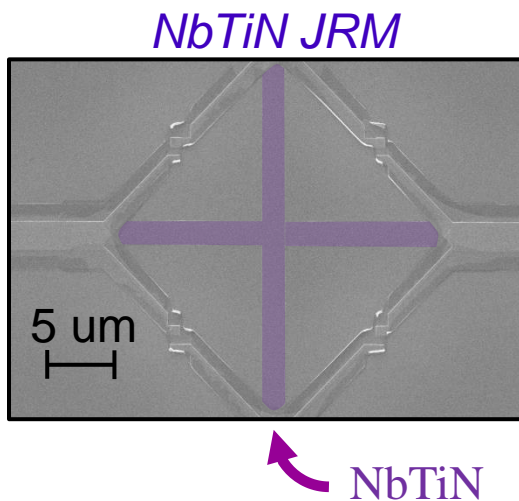
$$H = \frac{Q^2}{2C} - E_J \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{\Phi_0} \Phi\right) = \hbar\omega_0 b^\dagger b - \lambda (b^\dagger b)^2 + \dots$$

Josephson parametric converter (JPC)



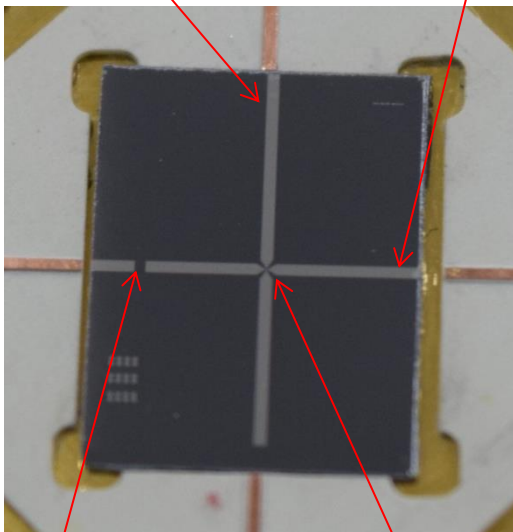
$$\frac{H_{\text{Coupling}}}{\hbar} = g (a + a^\dagger)(b + b^\dagger)(c + c^\dagger)$$

~~$$- \sum_{m=a}^c \sum_{n=m}^c K_{mn} a_m^\dagger a_m a_n^\dagger a_n + O(a_i^5) + \dots$$~~



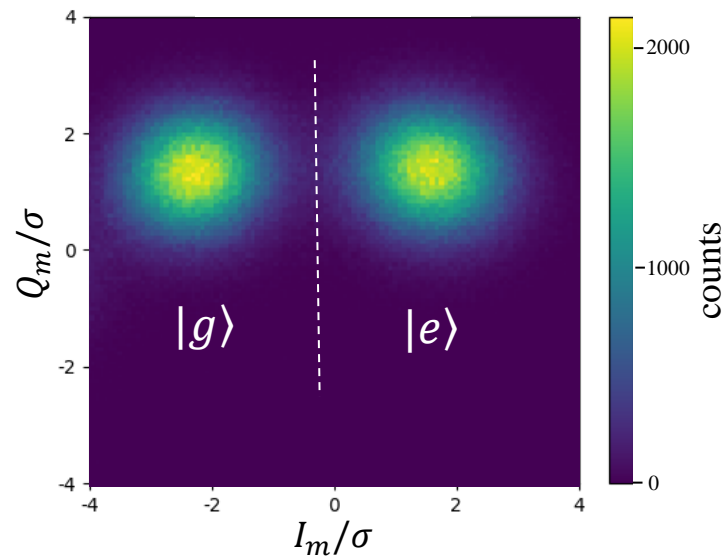
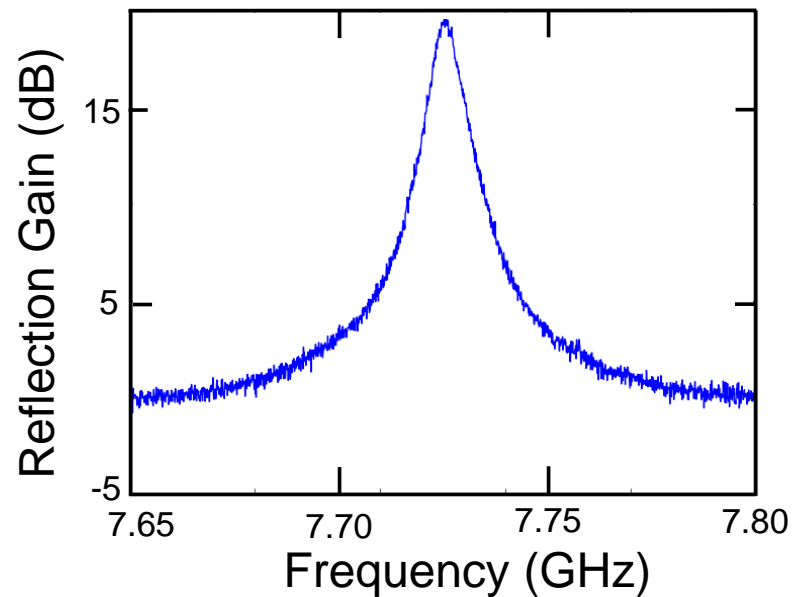
The 8-junction Josephson Parametric Converter

Signal mode Idler mode



Pump coupling

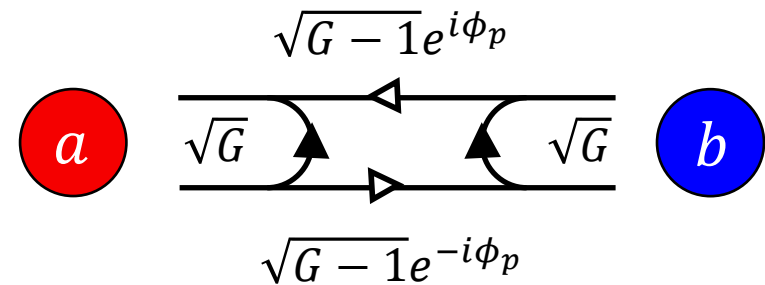
JRM



Nearly quantum limited ($\eta \sim 0.5 - 0.6$)!

Amplifier Limitations

1. Operates in reflection

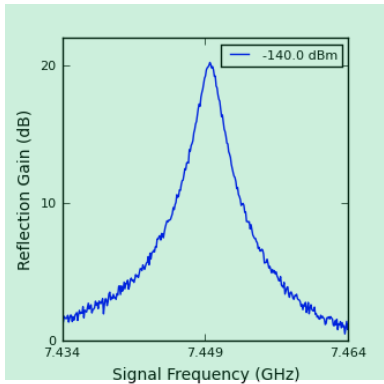


2. Has narrow bandwidth

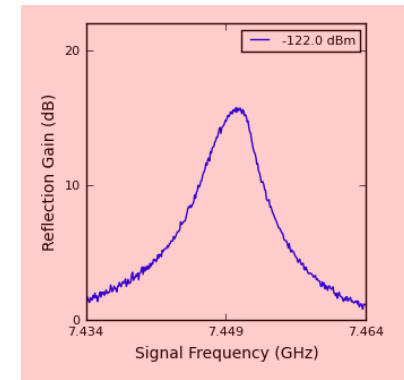
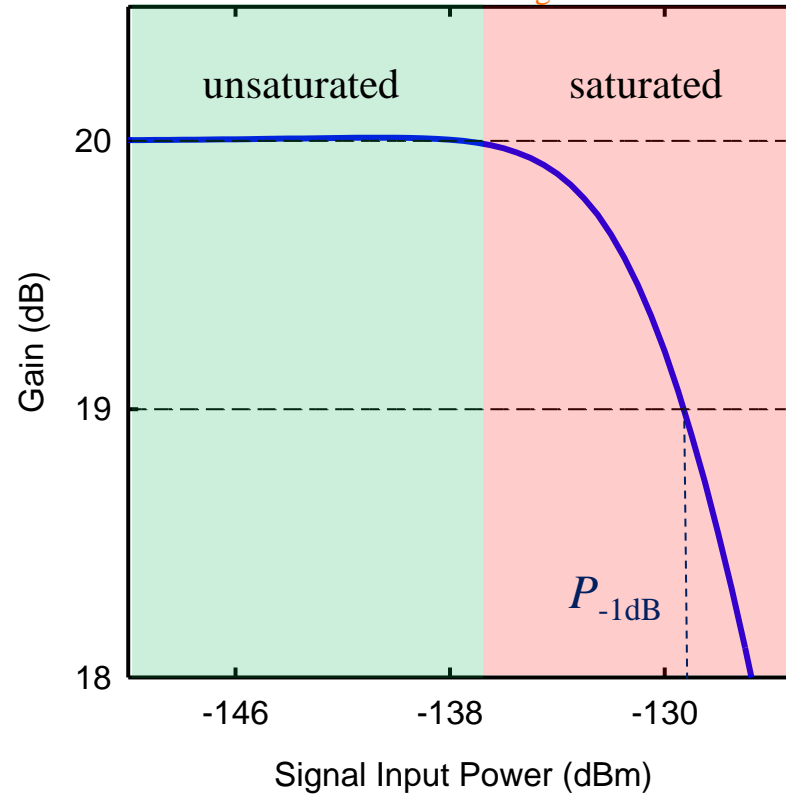
$$2\pi B \simeq \frac{\sqrt{\kappa_a \kappa_b}}{\sqrt{G}}$$

Limitation 3: Gain Saturation

G vs P_{sig}



$$G_0 = \left(\frac{1 + n_p/n_p^c}{1 - n_p/n_p^c} \right)^2$$



Pump depletion (PD) theory:

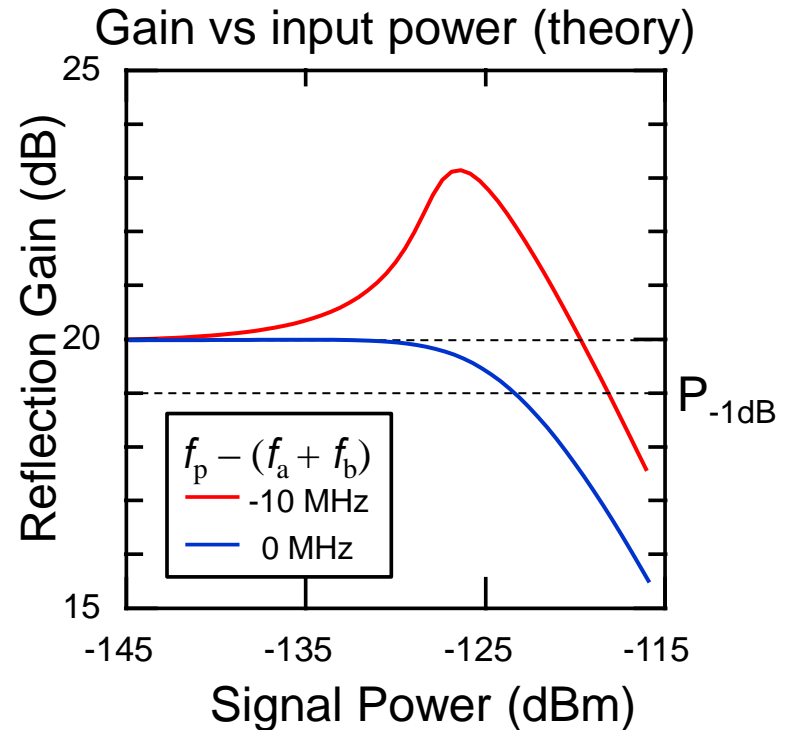
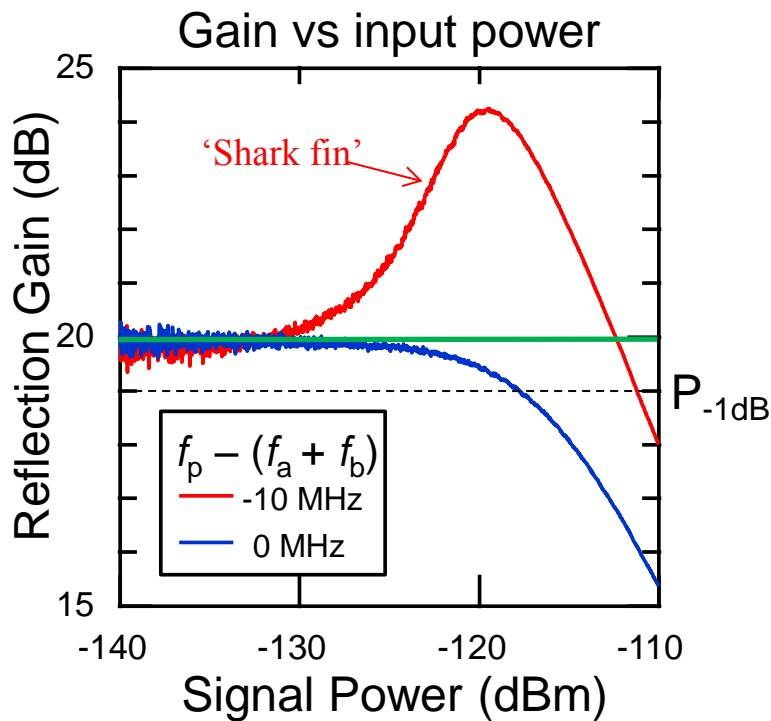
- P_{sig} \uparrow , n_p \downarrow , G \downarrow
- n_p \uparrow , $P_{-1\text{dB}}$ \uparrow

Problem: We don't understand well all causes

Cancelling Higher Order Effects

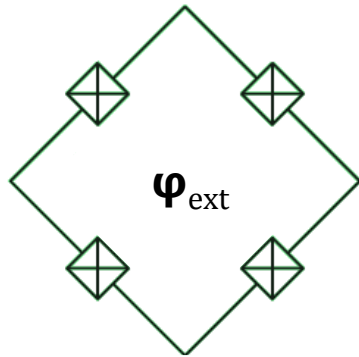
Kerr terms effect performance

$$H_{coupling} = g(ab + a^\dagger b^\dagger) + \kappa_{aa}(a^\dagger a)^2 + \kappa_{bb}(b^\dagger b)^2 + \kappa_{ab}a^\dagger ab^\dagger b$$

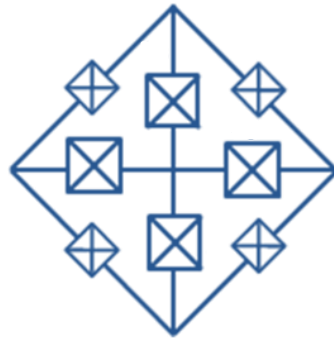


Using 'shunted' JRMJs to achieve cancellation

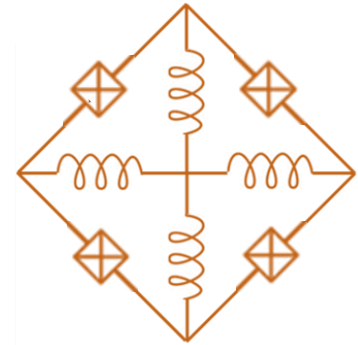
4-Junction JRM



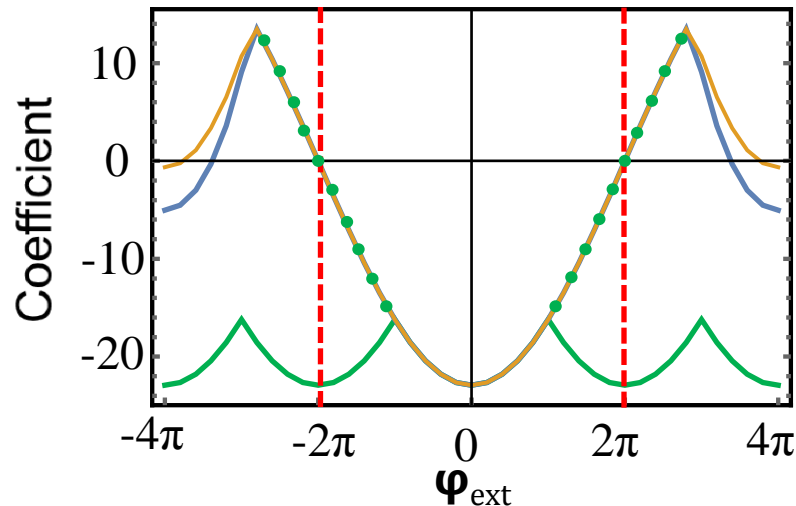
8-Junction JRM



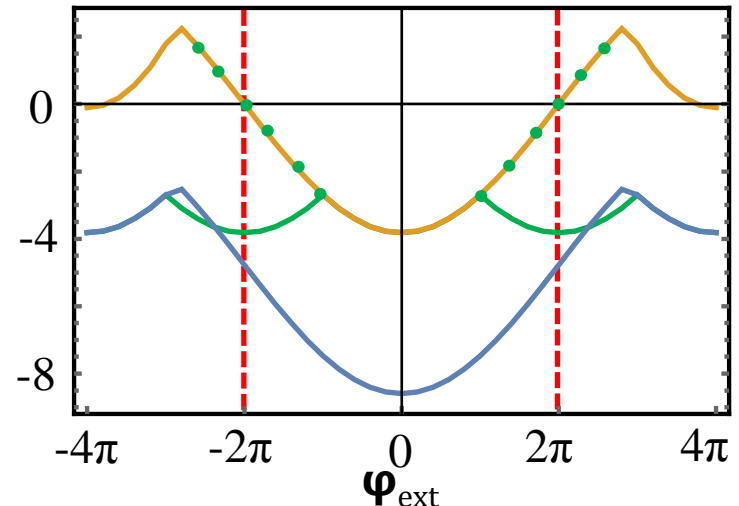
4-Junction JRM + Linear Inductance (WJRM)



Cross Kerr

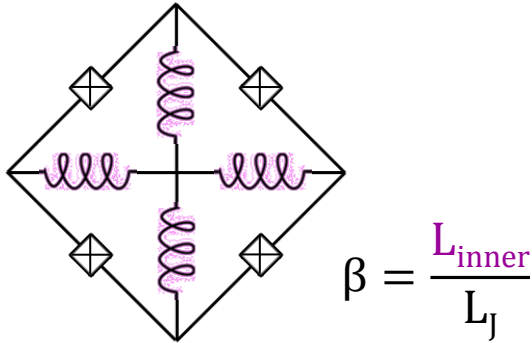


Self Kerr

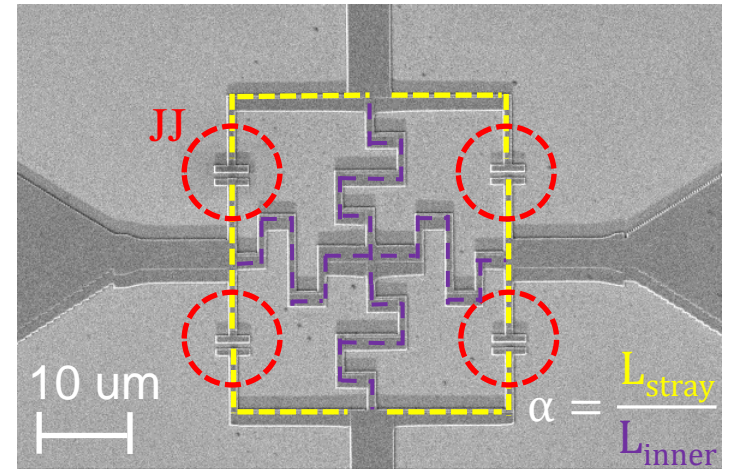


How strongly to shunt?

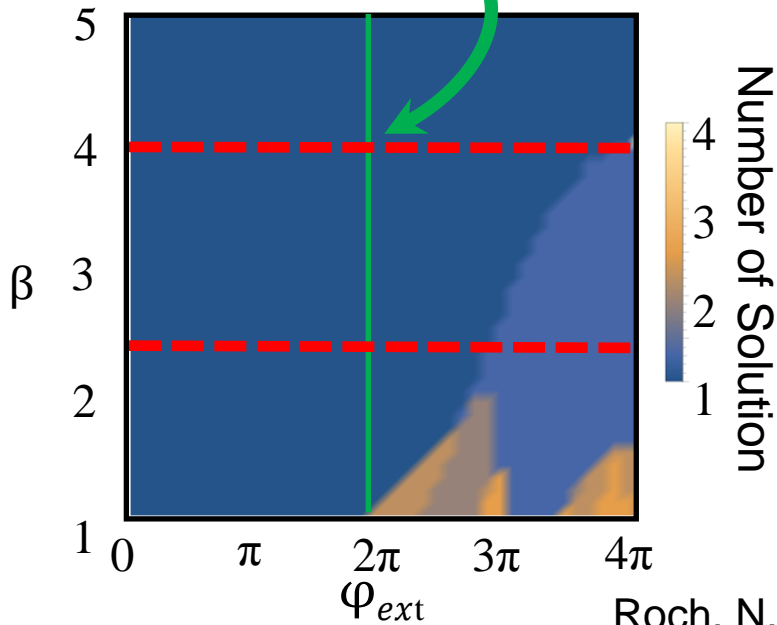
4 Junction JRM + Linear Inductances



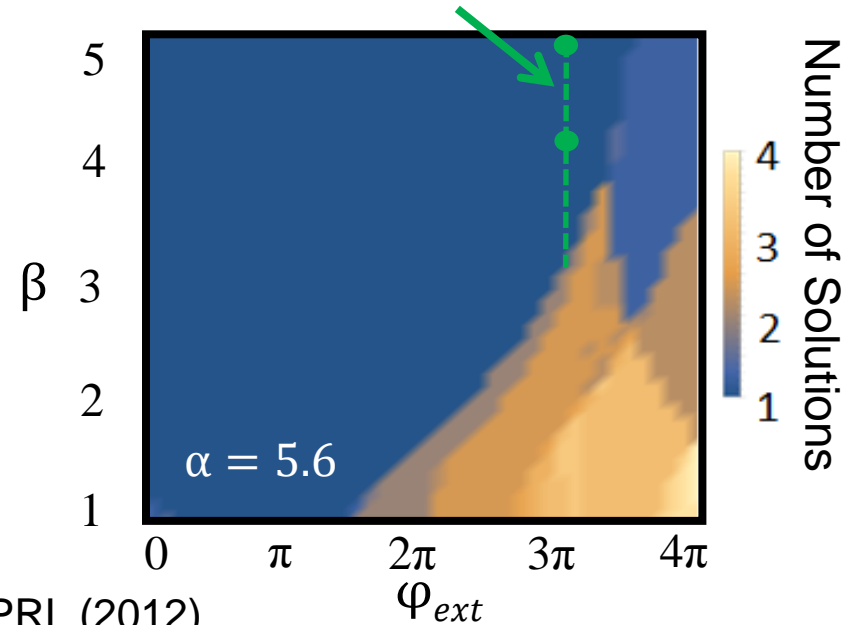
Stray Inductance (yellow)



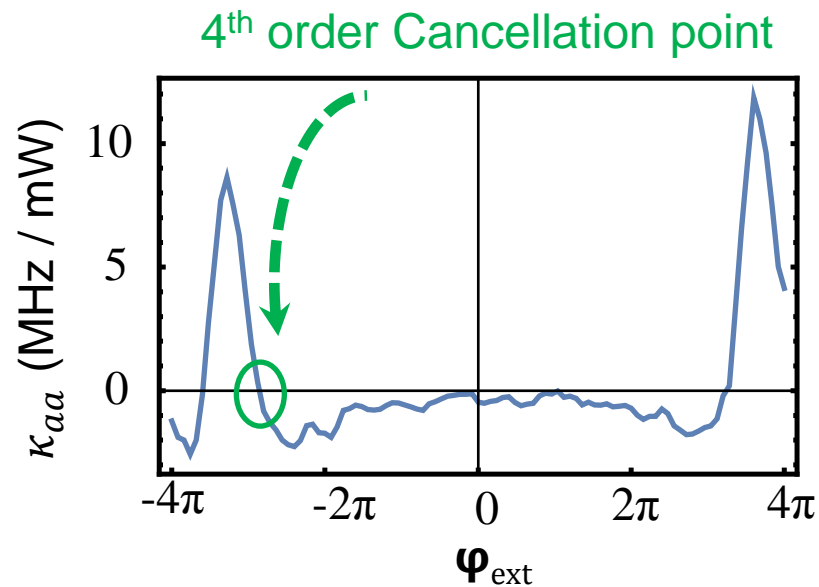
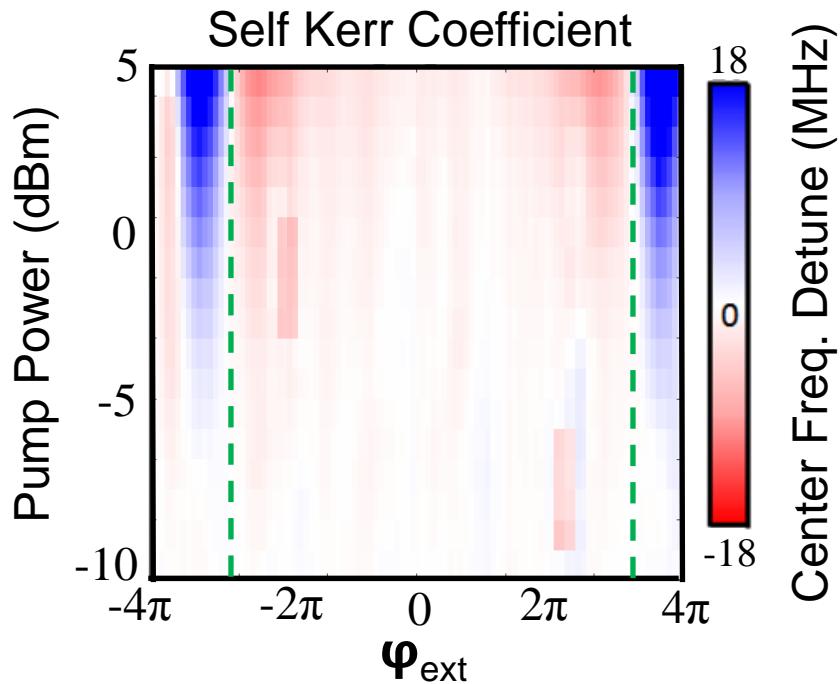
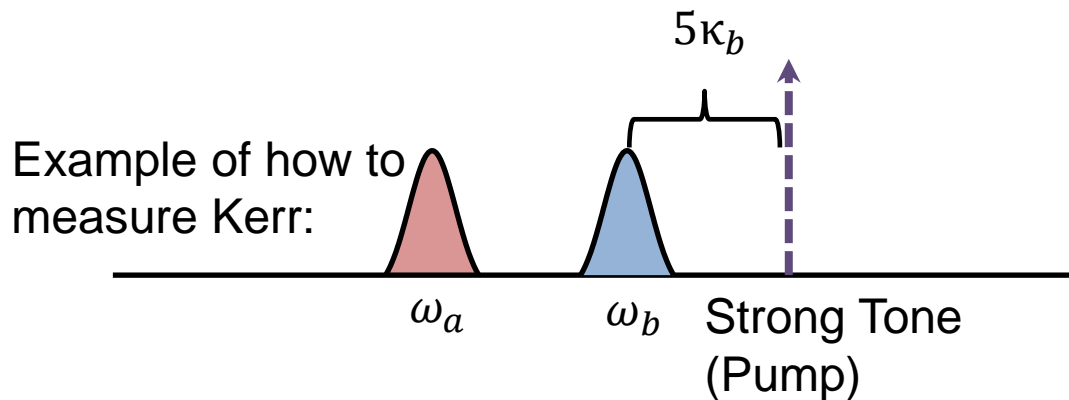
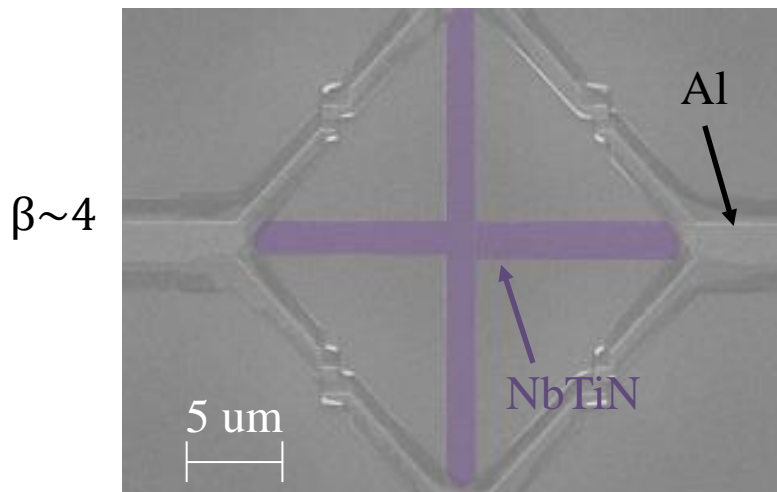
4th order Cancellation points



Cancellation Points

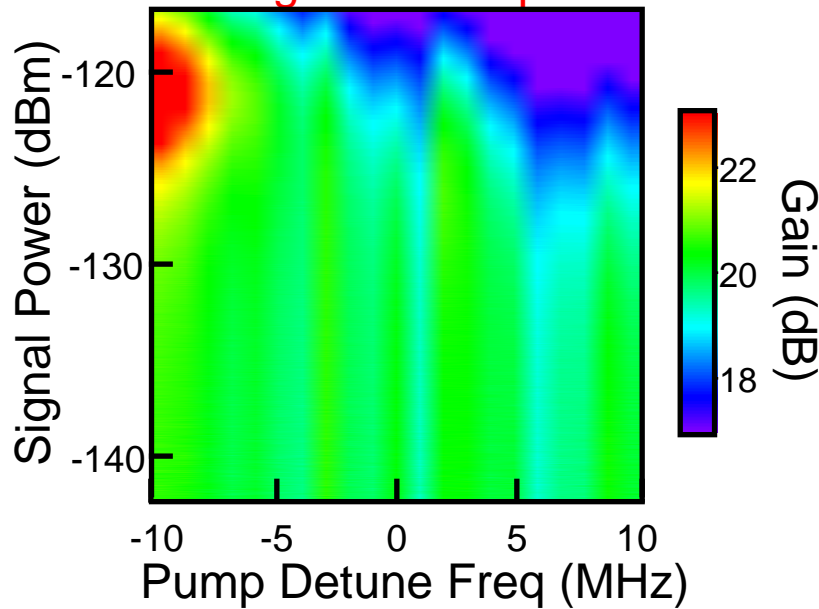


Kerr measurement of NbTiN shunted JRM

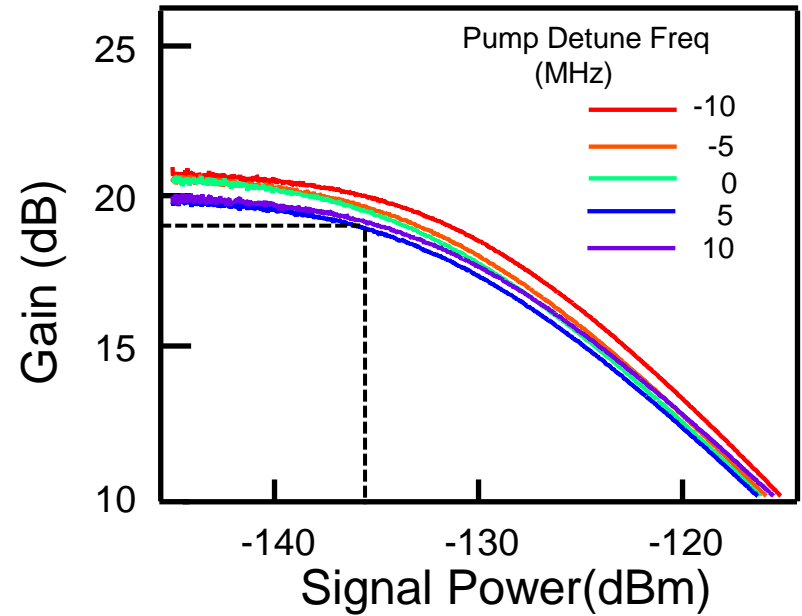
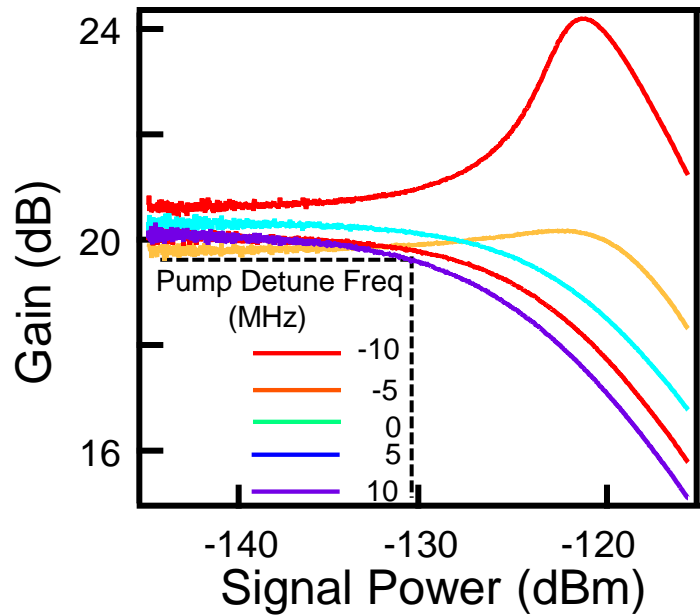
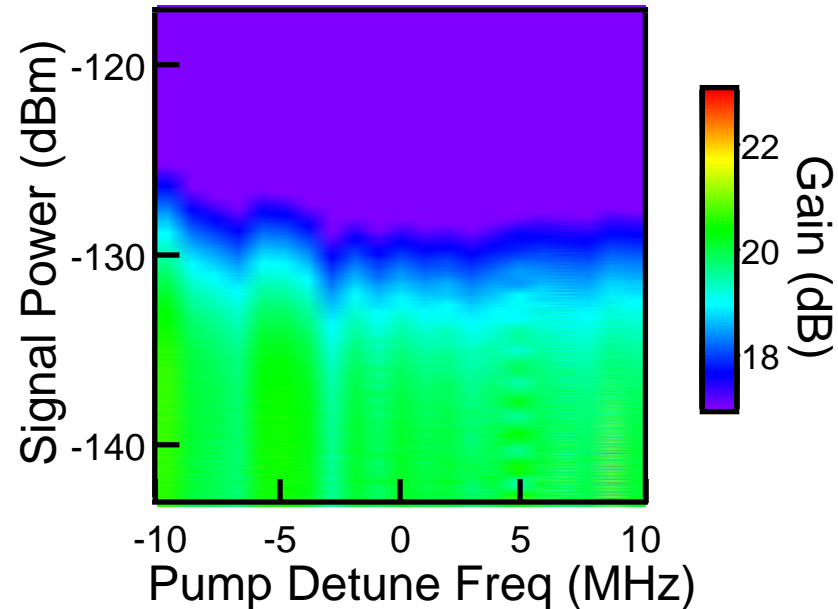


Cancellation Point Comparison

Negative Kerr point

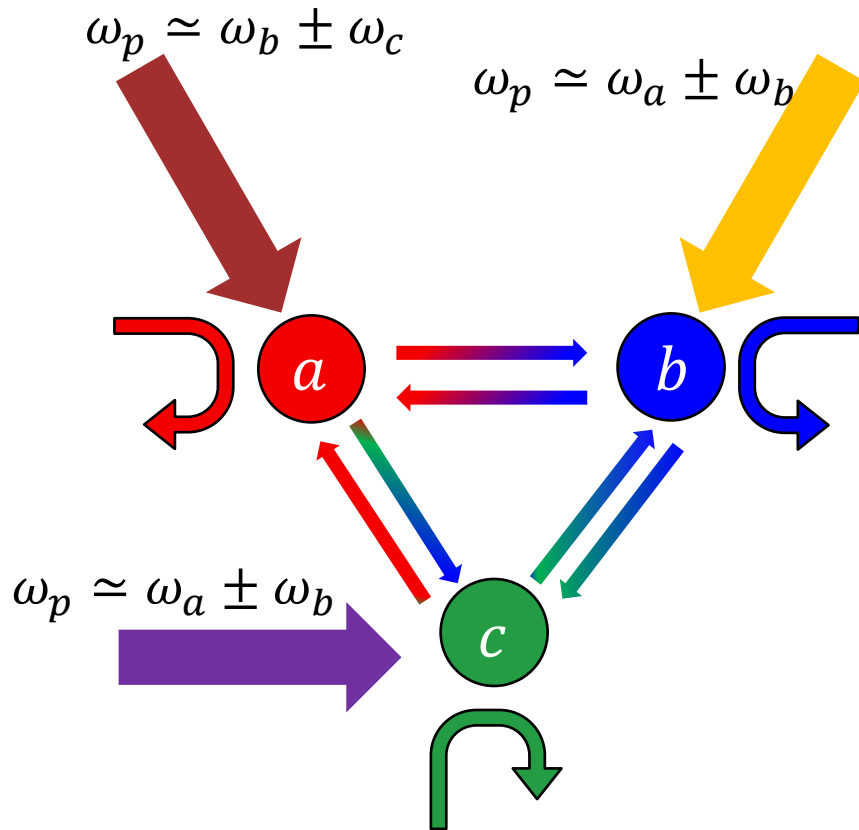


4th order cancellation point



Multiple Parametric Couplings

Adding interference



- Pumps span frequencies and imprint phases on each leg

- Controls:

- Coupling type (ω_p)
- Coupling strength (P_p)
- Coupling phase (ϕ_p)

- Frequency (non) conjugation

Gain: $(\omega_a + \Delta) \rightarrow (\omega_b - \Delta)$

Conv: $(\omega_a + \Delta) \rightarrow (\omega_b + \Delta)$

Ranzani and Aumentado *NJP* (2015)

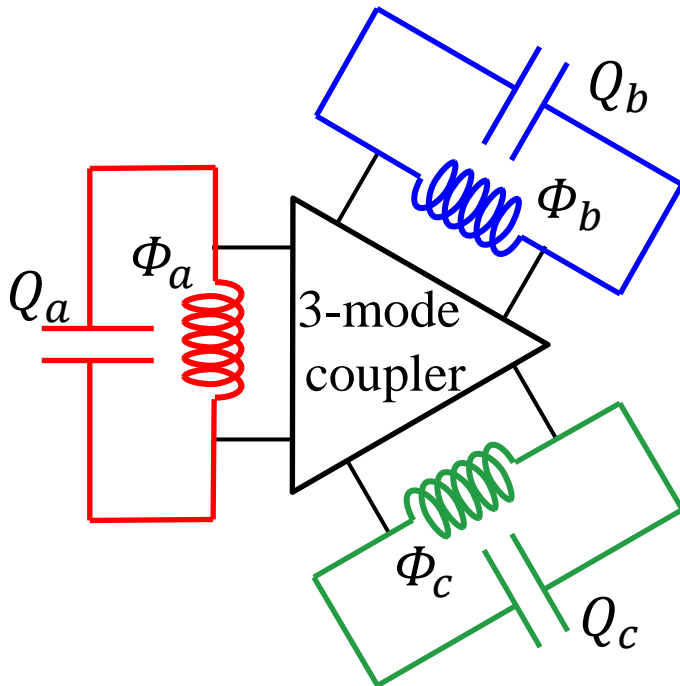
Metelmann and Clerk *PRX* (2015)

Engineering quantum information processors

- Passive/reciprocal circuit elements (hybrids, directional couplers) are straightforward
- Gainful and non-reciprocal devices are much harder



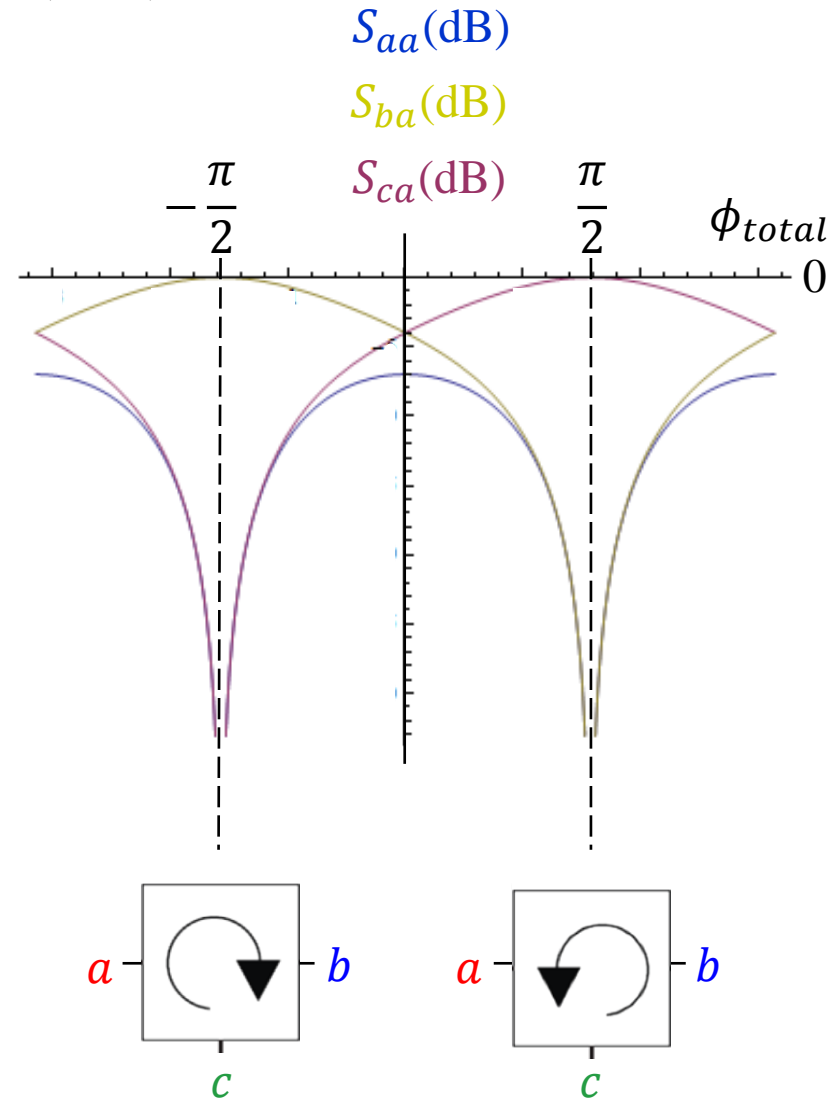
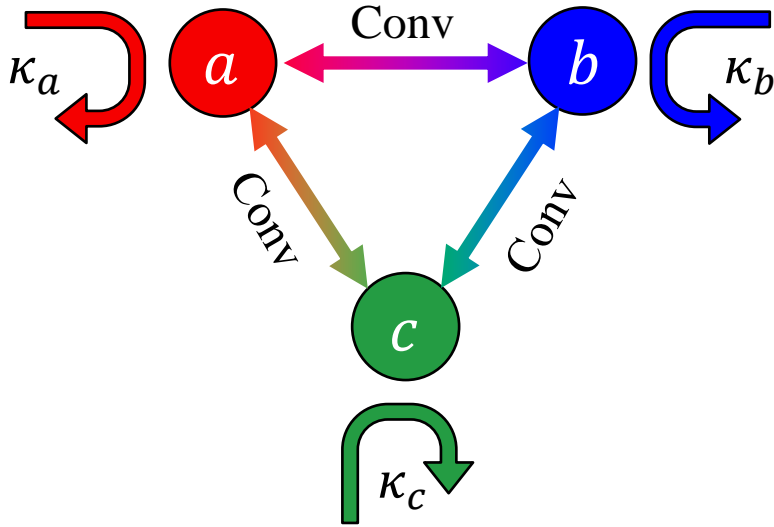
- These *quantum* devices must be lossless, and operate on *propagating* states of microwave light



- idea is to engineer these devices from the Hamiltonian up using parametric drives
- key element non-linear Josephson junctions

3 port circulator

Sliwa *Phys. Rev. X* (2015)

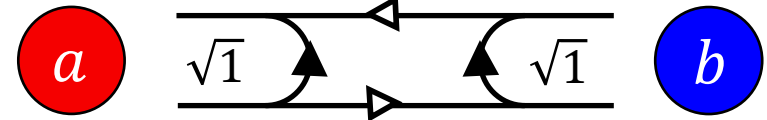
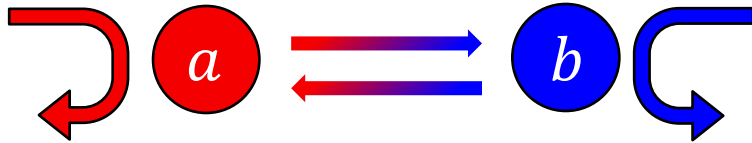


- balance three hopping term amplitudes with dissipation rates
- balance phases so that loop phase $\phi_{total} = \phi_{ab} + \phi_{bc} - \phi_{ca} = \pm\pi/2$

Bi-direction phase sensitive gain (XX)

$$\omega_{p1,p2} = \omega_a \pm \omega_b \neq \omega_c$$

$$H_G = \hbar g(a + a^\dagger)(b + b^\dagger)$$



$$P_a \rightarrow P_b = 1/\sqrt{G}$$

$$X_b \rightarrow X_a = \sqrt{G}$$

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$$\omega_p \simeq \omega_a + \omega_b$$

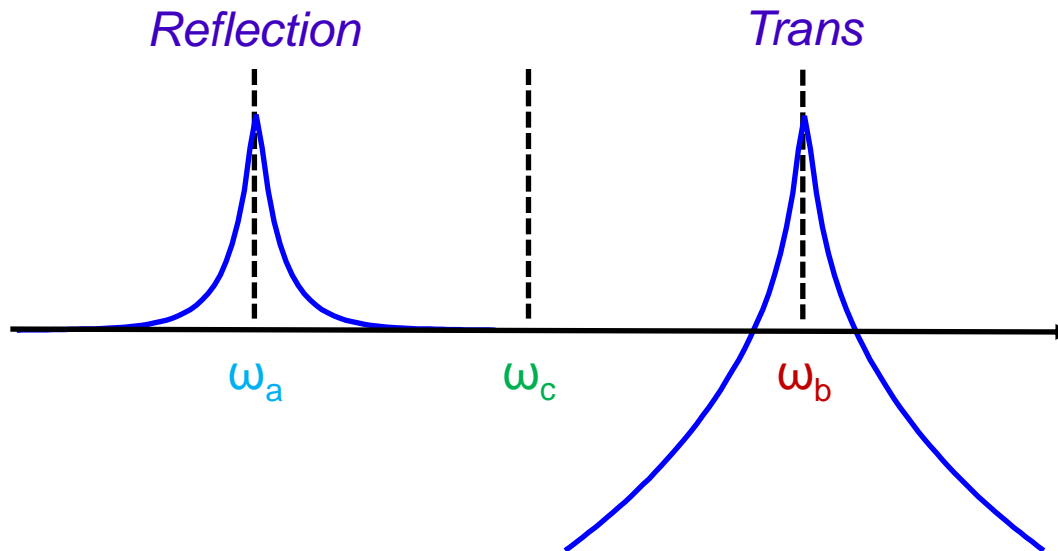
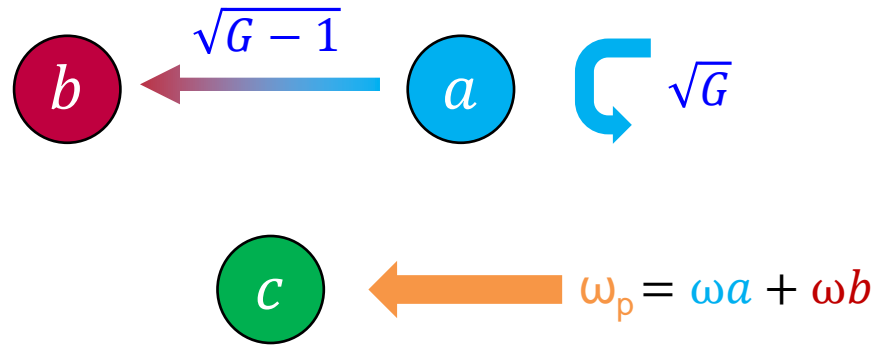


$$\omega_p \simeq \omega_a - \omega_b$$

$$G = P_P / P_C$$

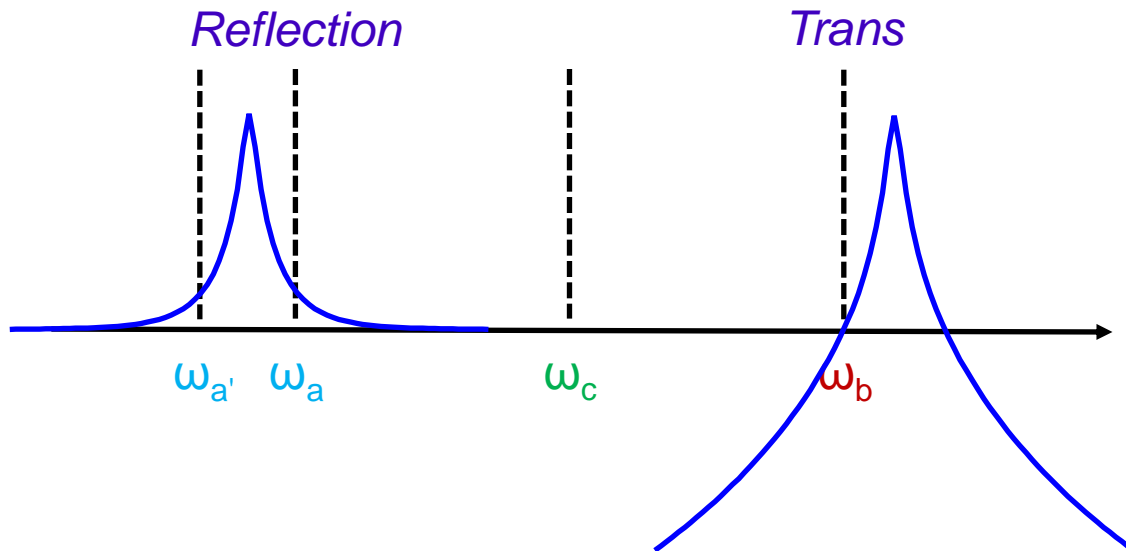
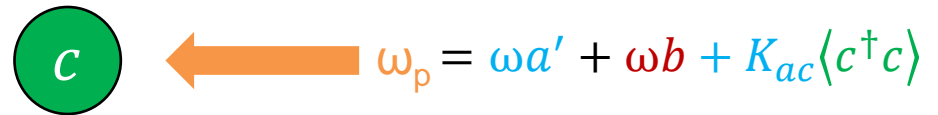
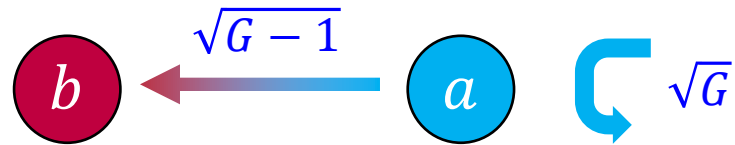
- **Enhanced bandwidth** $BW \cong \frac{1}{2} \kappa / 2\pi$ and **saturation power!**
- Have to match mode bandwidths
- **Have to pump HARD!**

Gain / Conversion



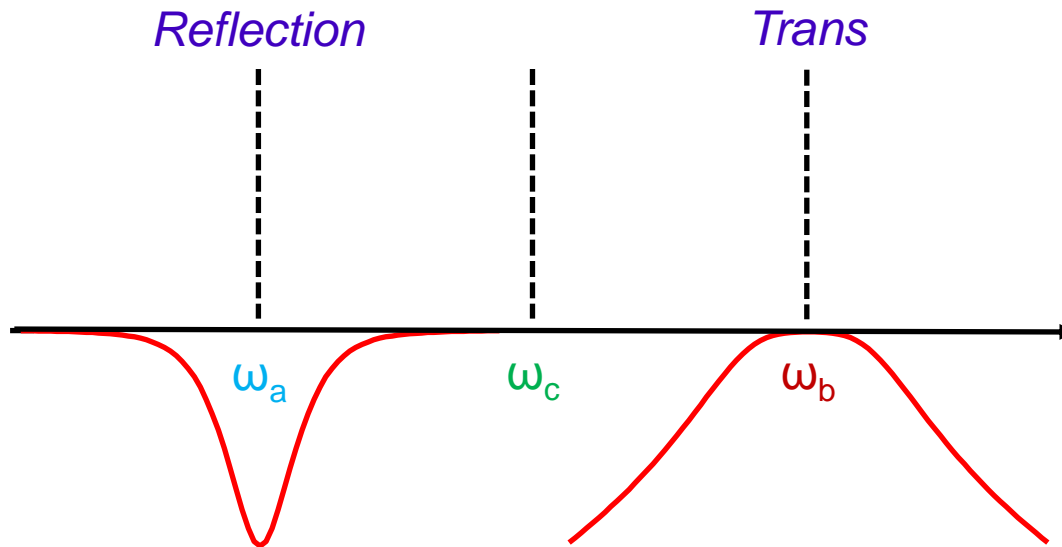
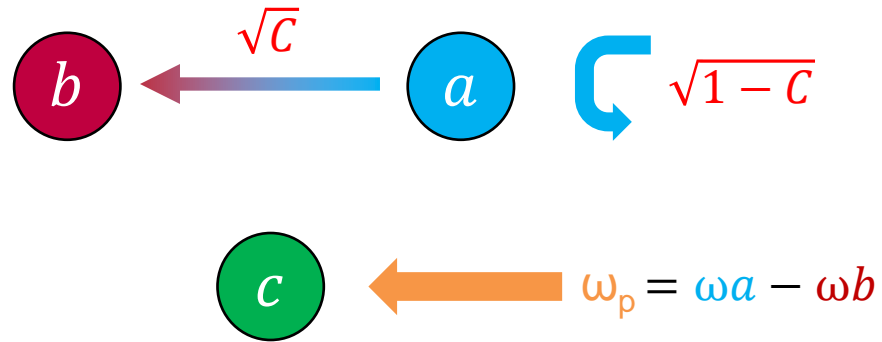
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Gain / Conversion



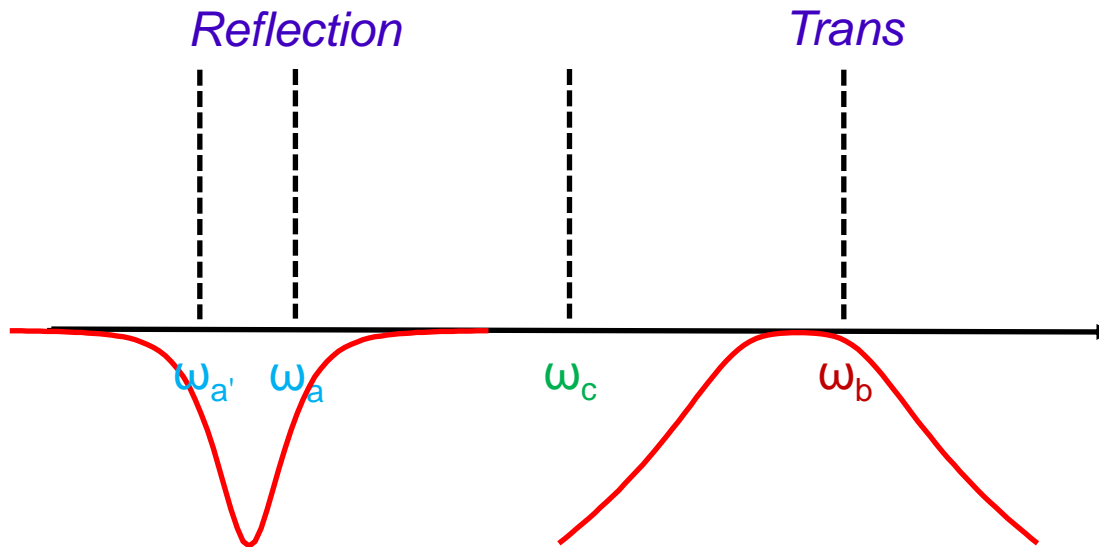
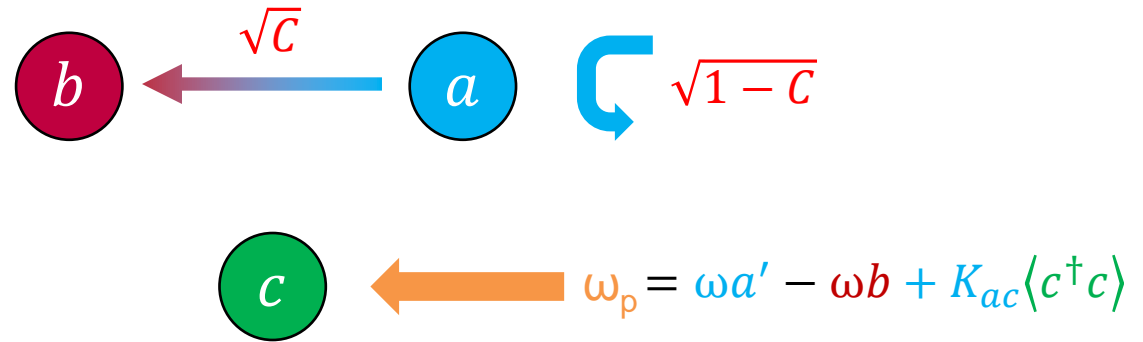
$$\frac{H_{\text{Coupling}}}{\hbar} = g_G (a^\dagger b^\dagger + a b) - K_{ac} a^\dagger a \langle c^\dagger c \rangle$$

Gain / Conversion



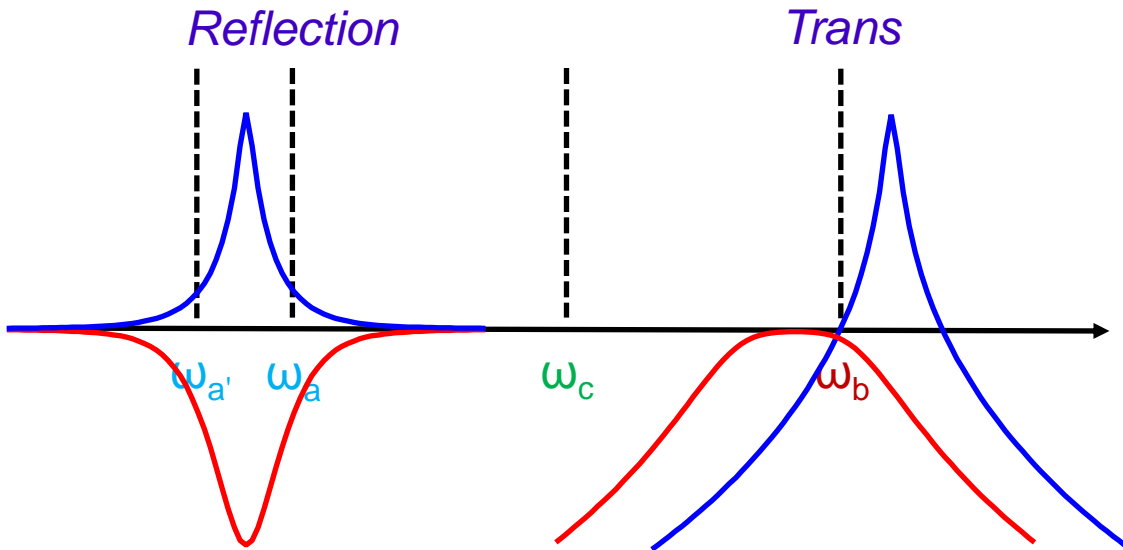
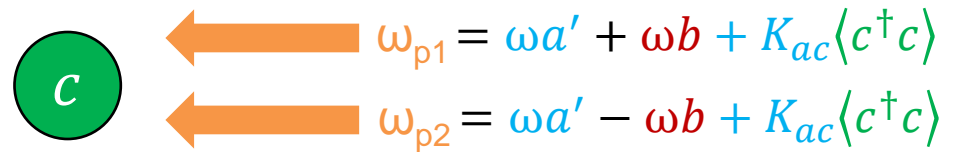
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Gain / Conversion



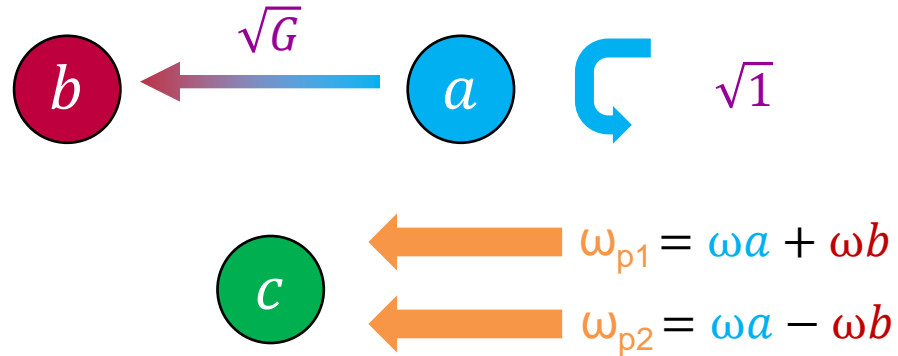
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G-C amplification w/ 4th order

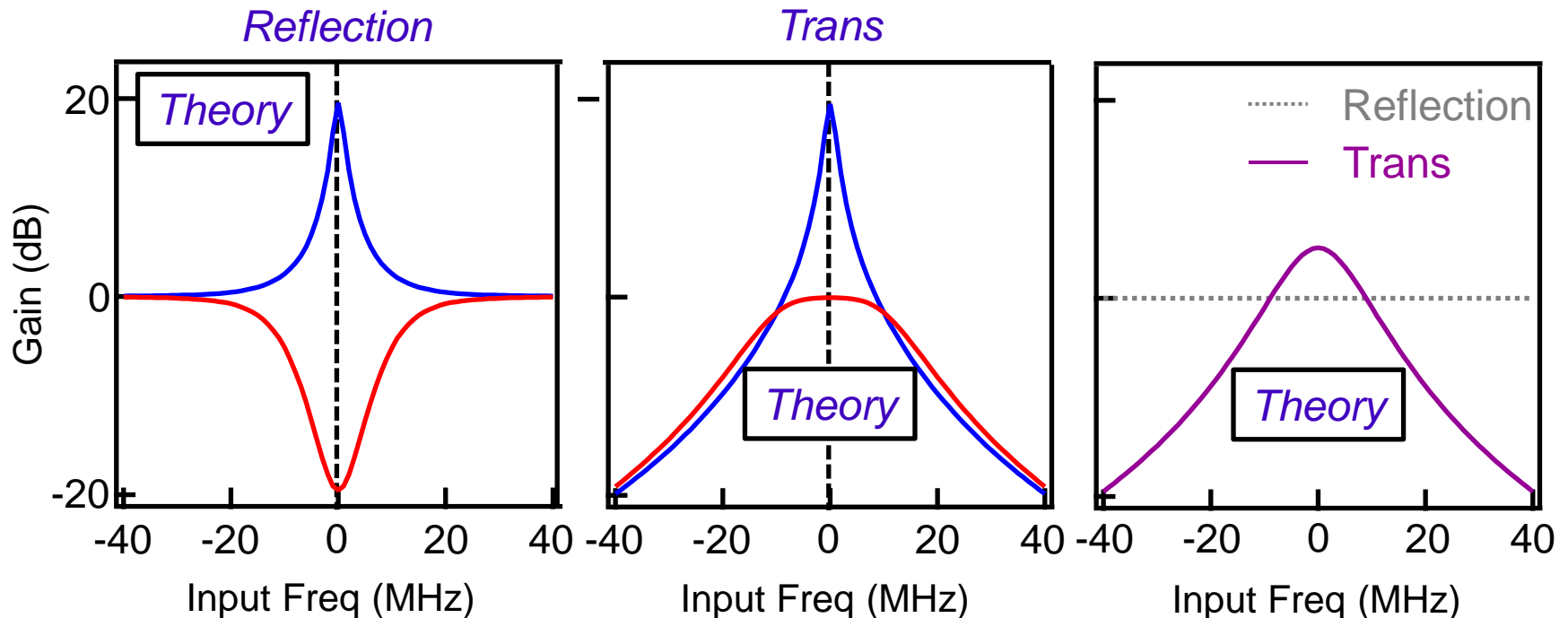


$$\frac{H_{\text{Coupling}}}{\hbar} = g_G(a^\dagger b^\dagger + a b) + g_c(a^\dagger b + a b^\dagger) - K_{ac} a^\dagger a \langle c^\dagger c \rangle$$

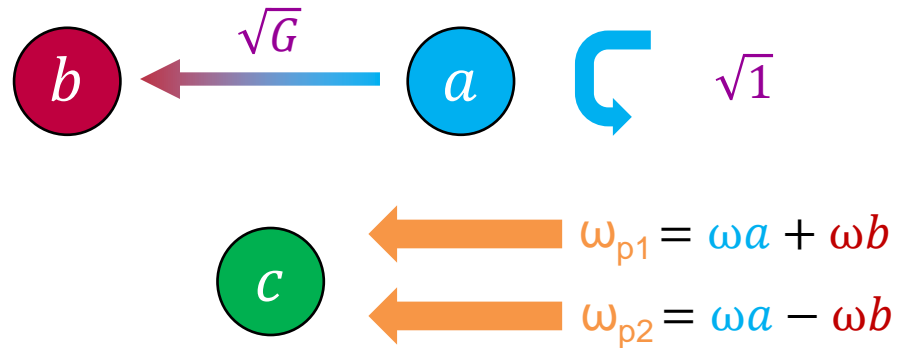
G-C amplification w/o 4th order - Theory



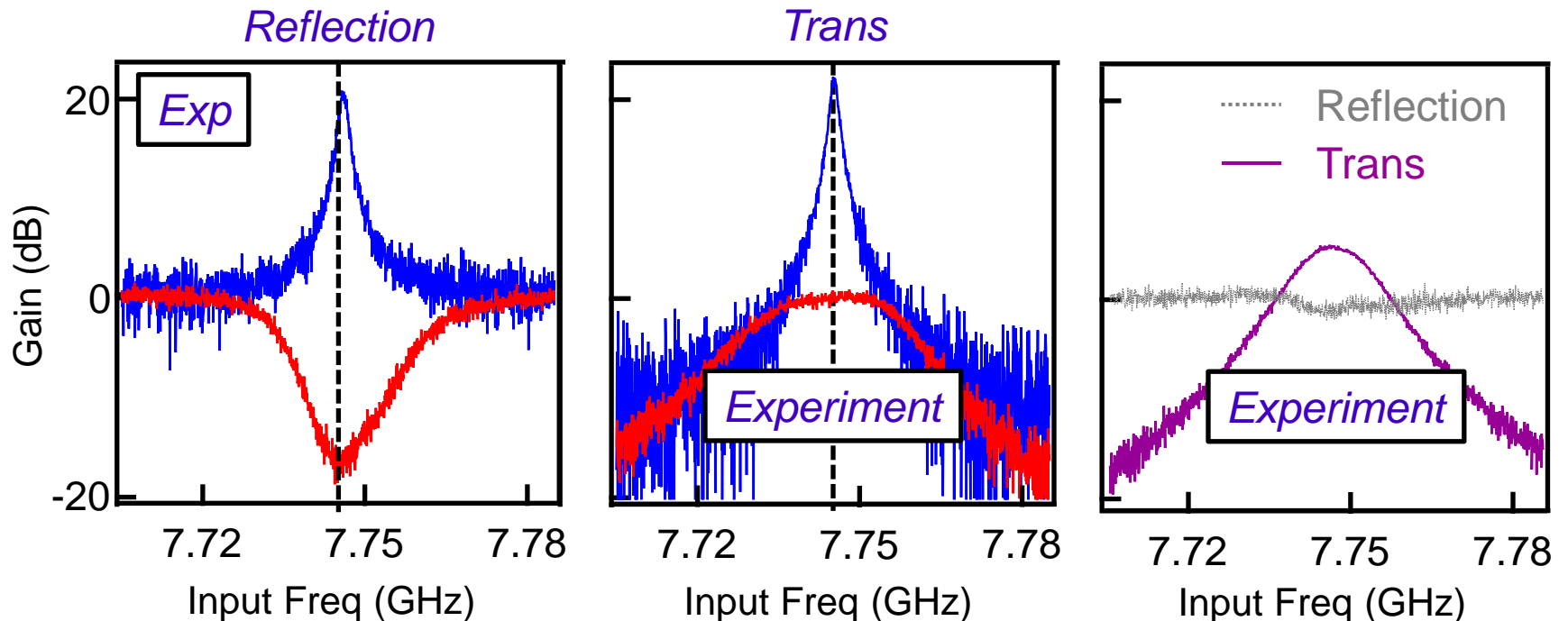
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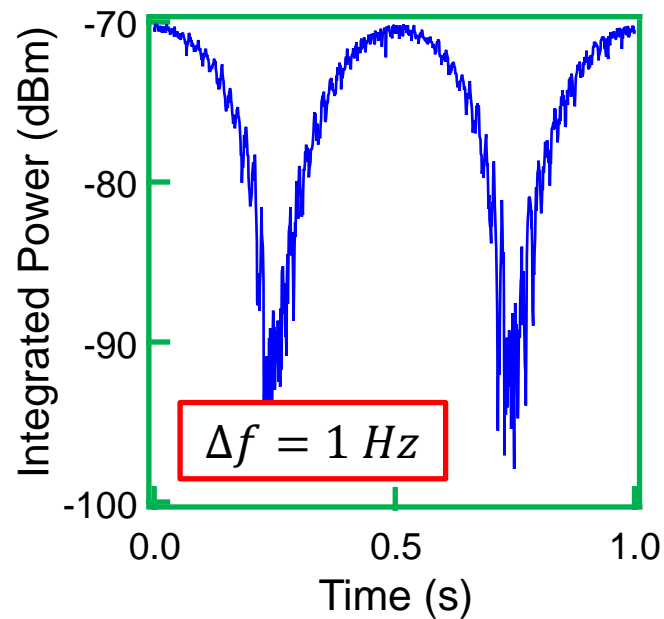
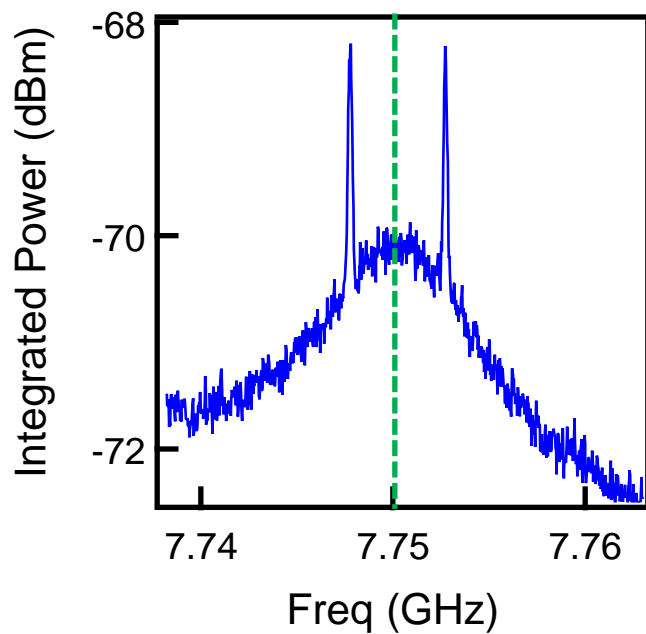
G-C amplification w/o 4th order - Experiment



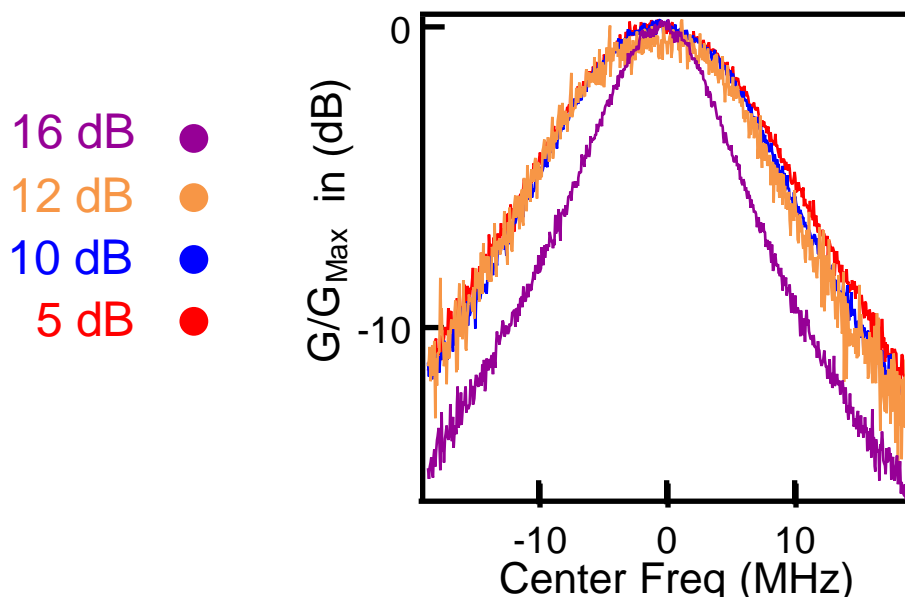
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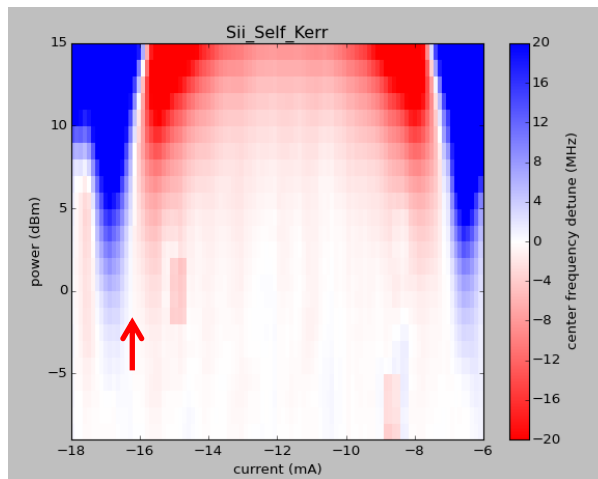
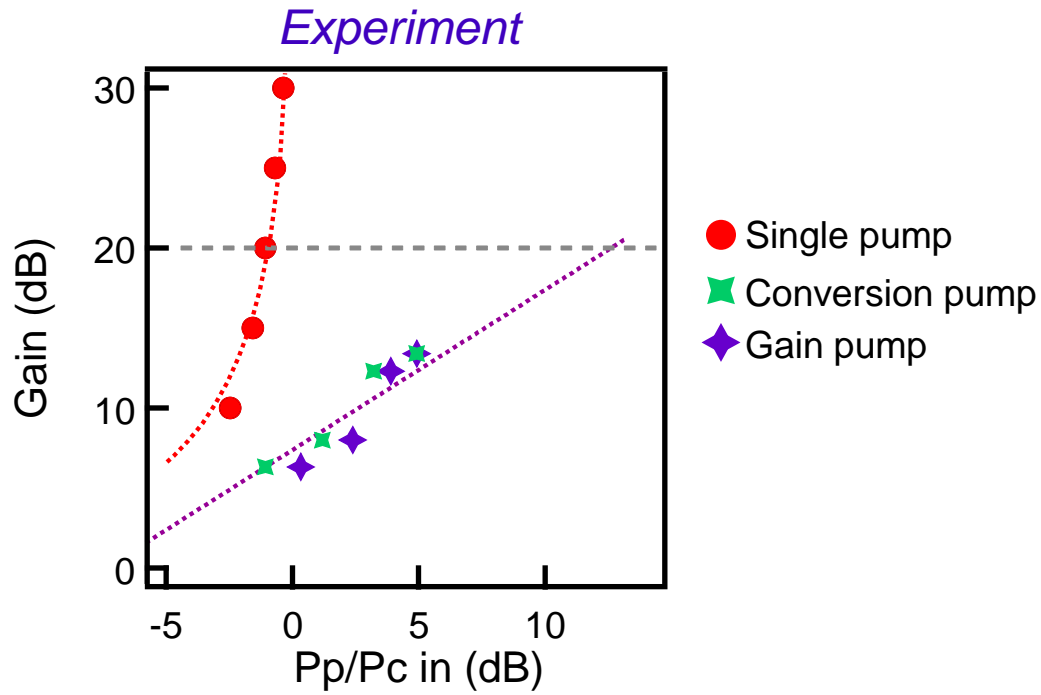
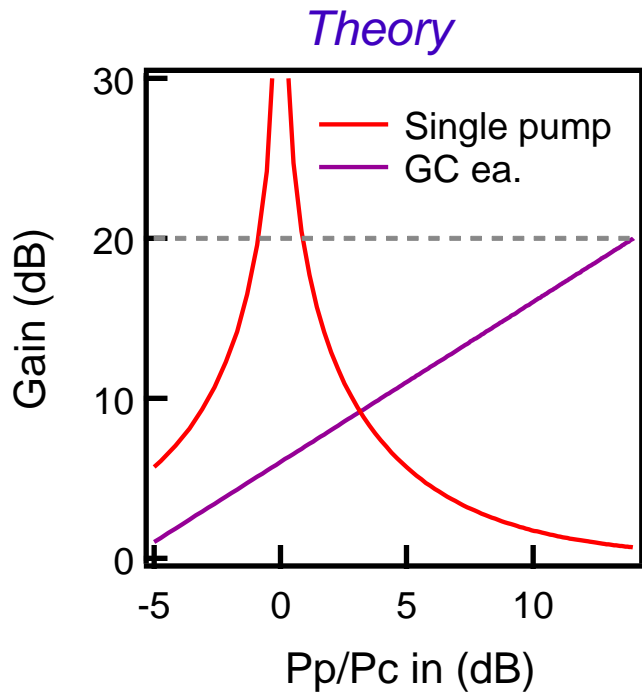
Phase sensitive amplifier



Fixed-bandwidth



Why not 30 dB ??



Future work

- More modes, more drives, better devices!
- New theory tools (is expansion of modes inadequate?)
- Better Hamiltonian engineering via improved fabrication
- Medium term: broadband, high-bandwidth directional amplifier

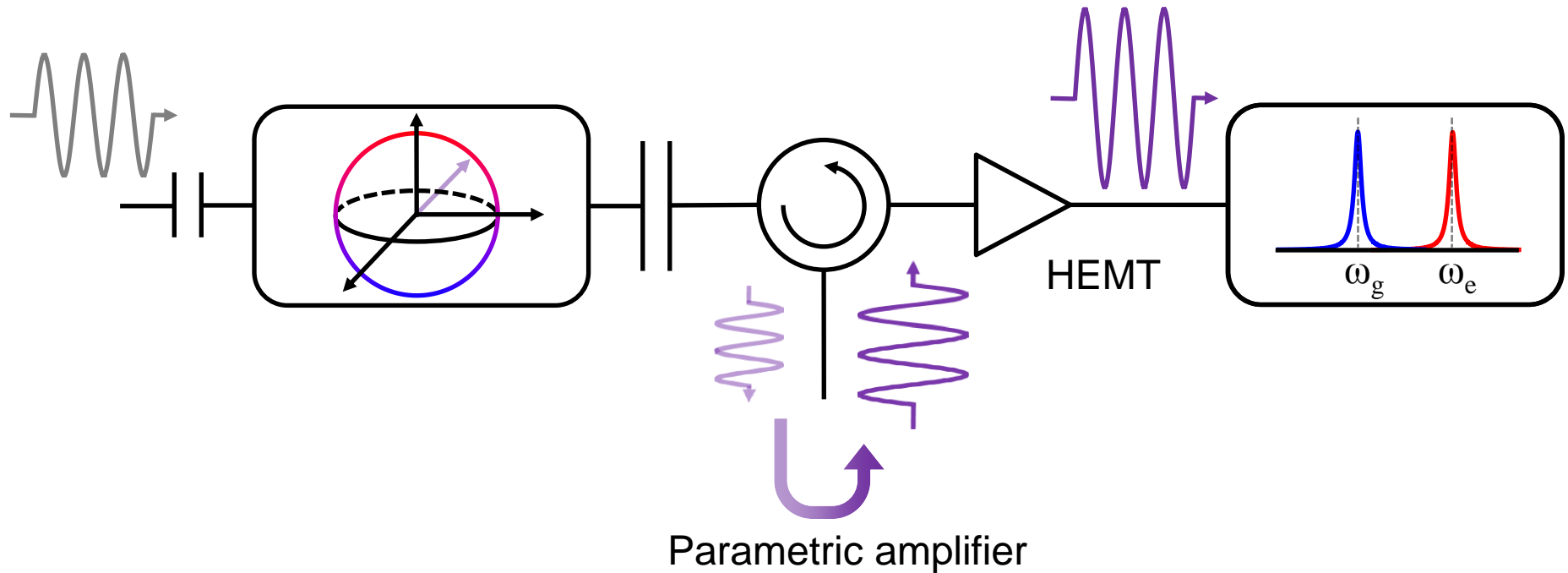
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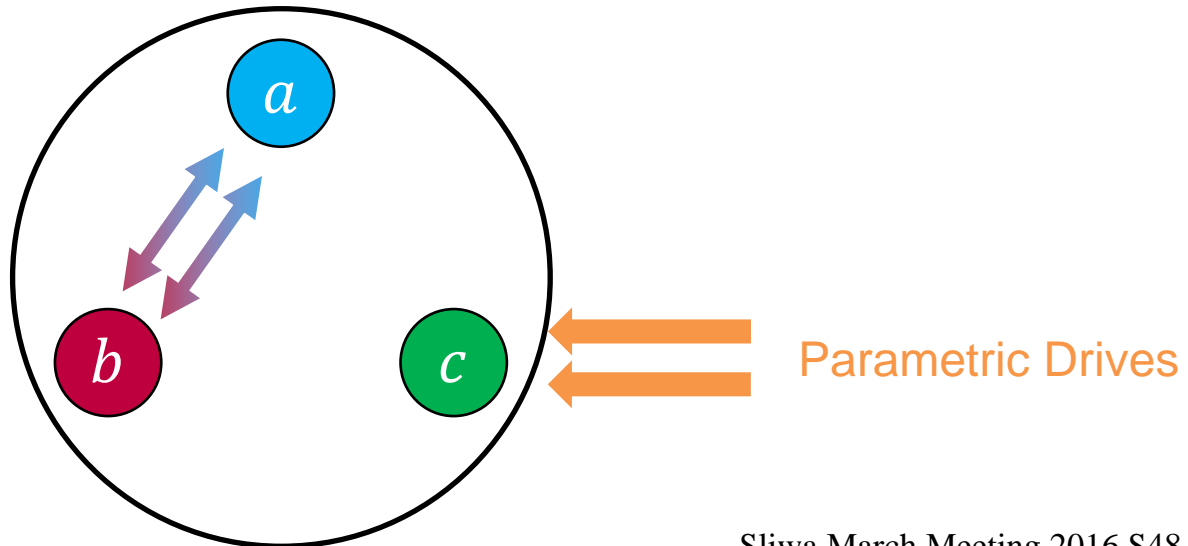
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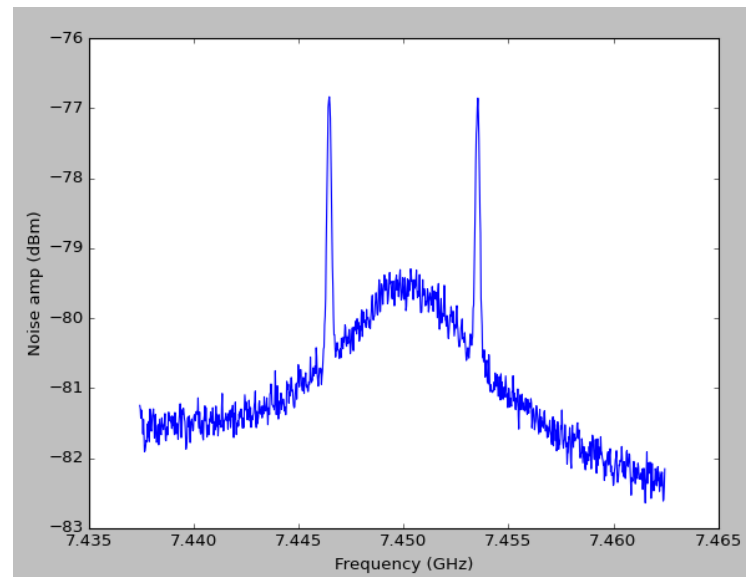
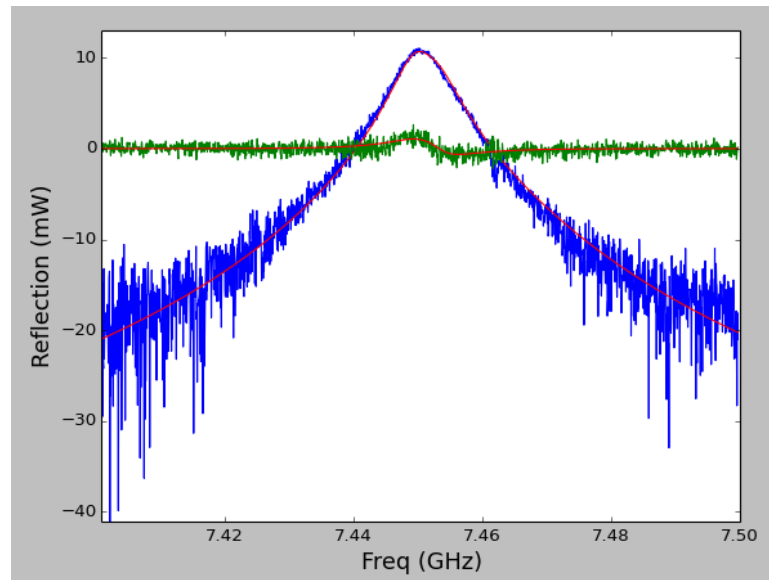
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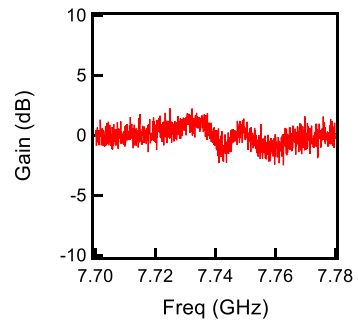
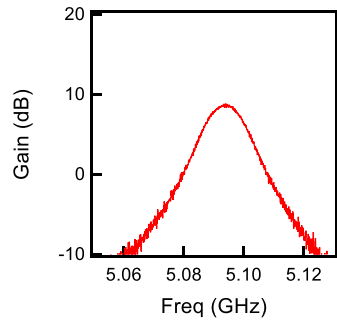
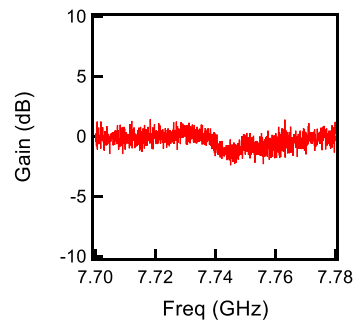
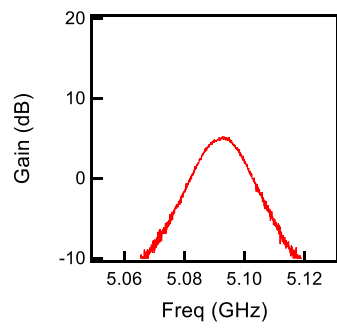
The ubiquitous parametric amplifier

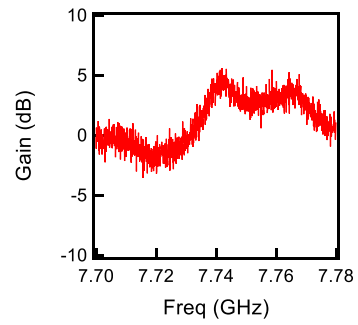
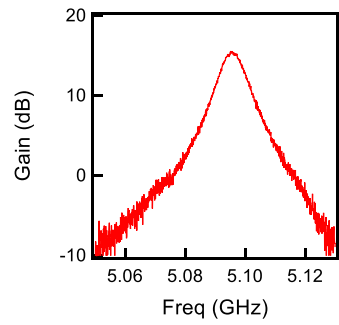
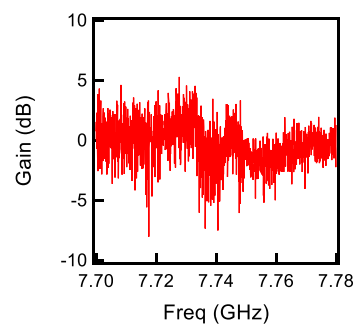
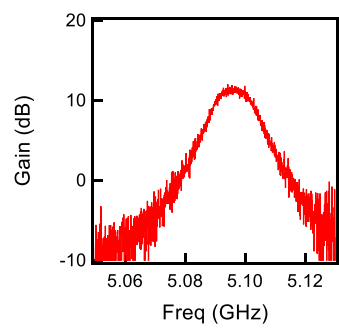


- Phase sensitive amplifier
- Fixed bandwidth
- Gain in transmission only
- Unity reflection gain



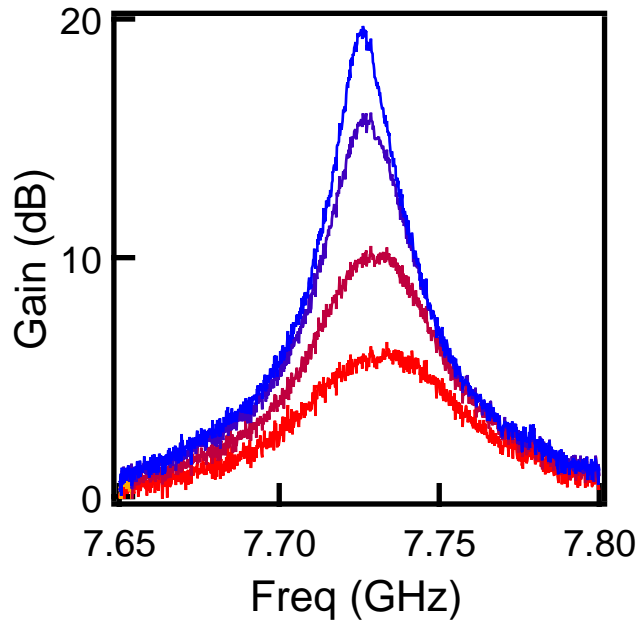




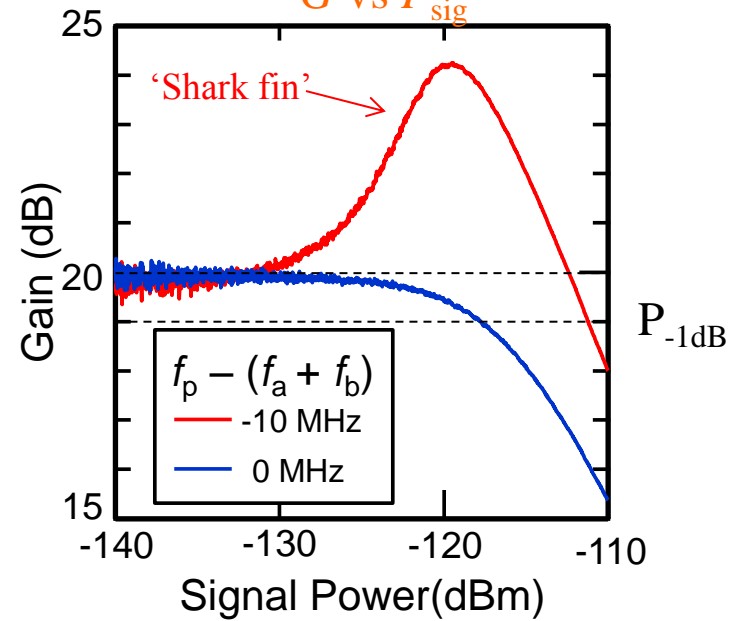


Higher order

Fixed Gain Peak



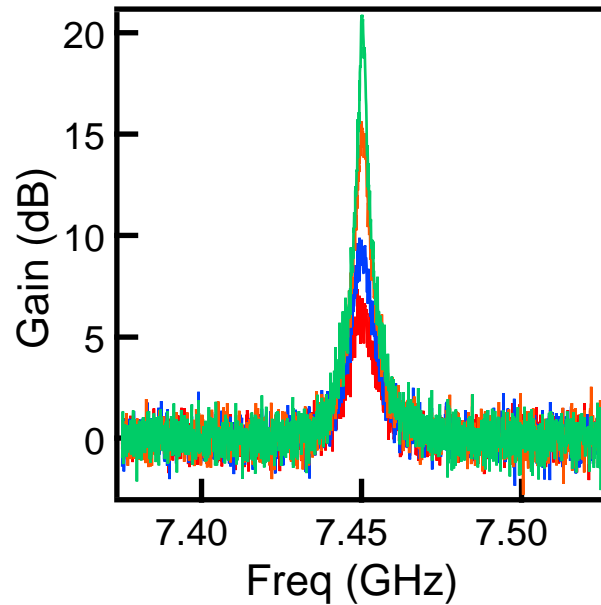
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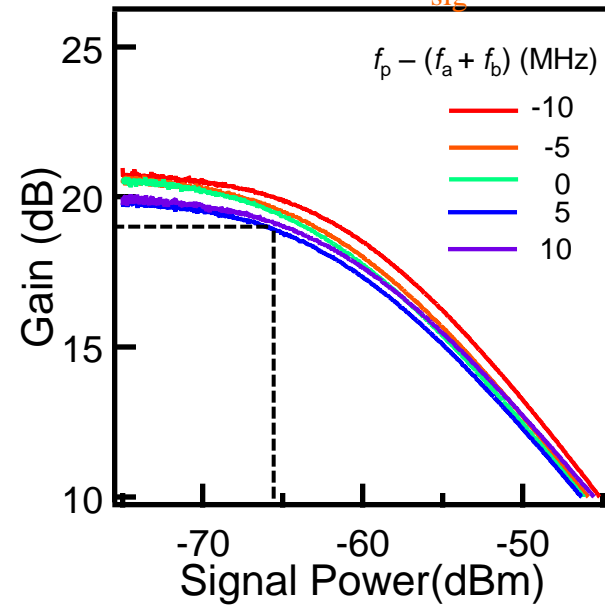
- 4th order terms shift mode freqs
- Shark-fin dynamic range

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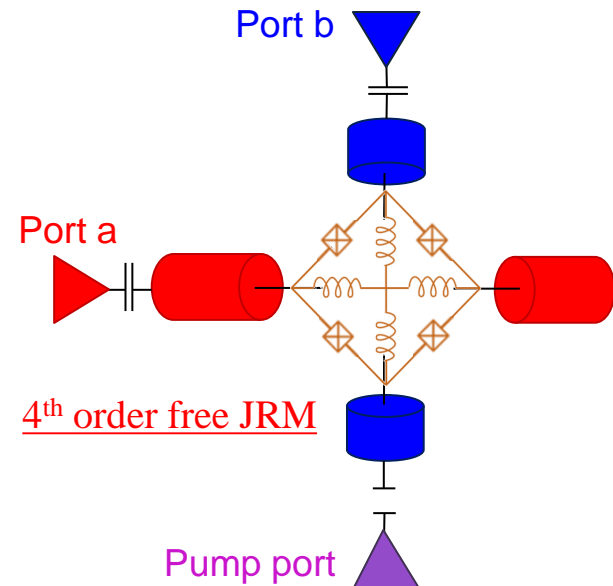
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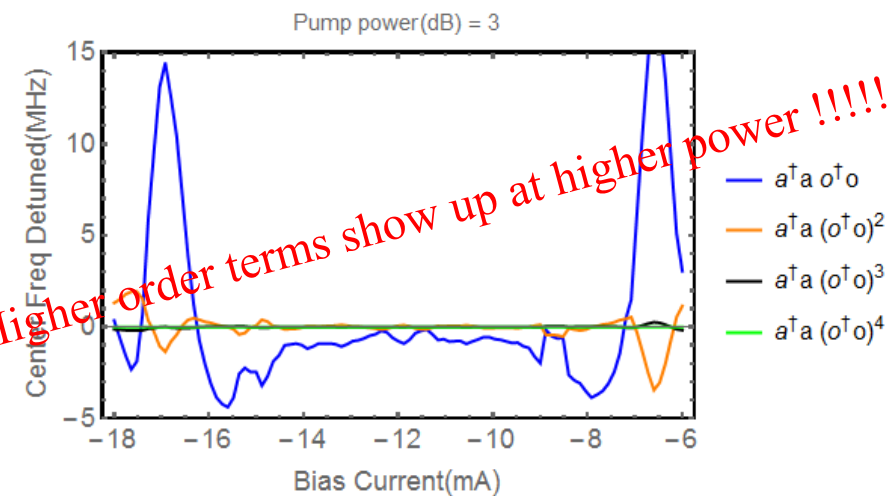
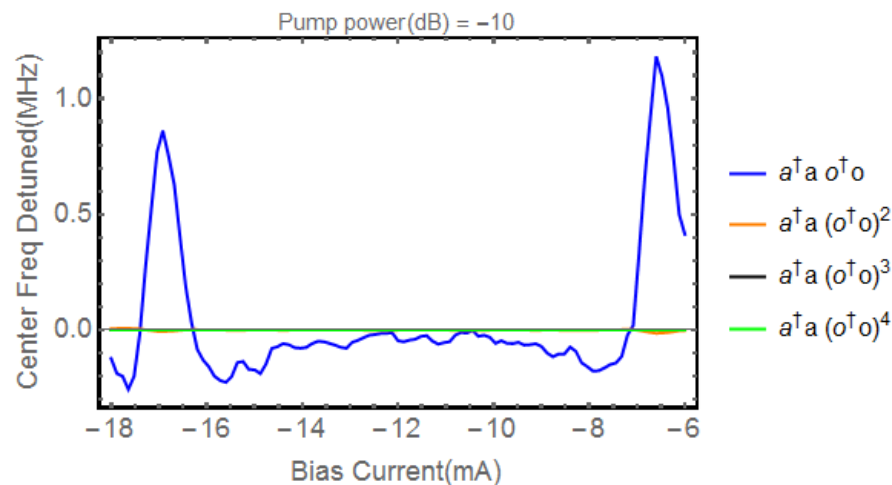
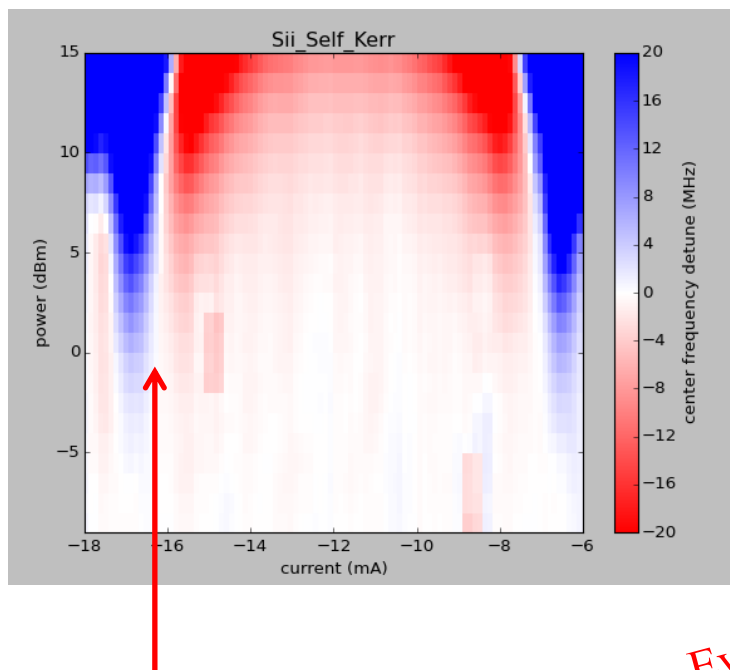
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- 4th order terms shift mode freqs
- Shark-fin dynamic range
- **4th order free device**
(advertise Xi's talk)



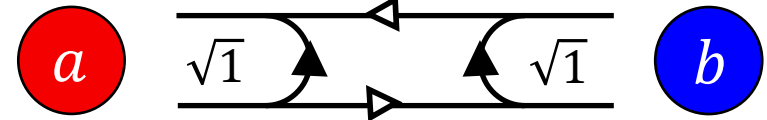
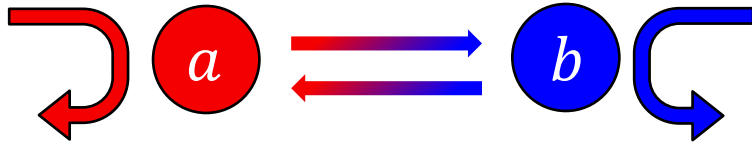
Why not 30 dB Trans-Gain ?



Bi-direction phase sensitive gain (XX)

$$\omega_{p1,p2} = \omega_a \pm \omega_b \neq \omega_c$$

$$H_G = \hbar g(a + a^\dagger)(b + b^\dagger)$$



$$P_a \rightarrow P_b = 1/\sqrt{G}$$

$$X_b \rightarrow X_a = \sqrt{G}$$

$$P_a \rightarrow P_b = \sqrt{G}$$

$$X_a \rightarrow X_b = 1/\sqrt{G}$$

$$\omega_p \simeq \omega_a + \omega_b$$



$$\omega_p \simeq \omega_a - \omega_b$$

$$G = P_P / P_C$$

- **Enhanced bandwidth** $BW \cong \frac{1}{2} \kappa / 2\pi$ and **saturation power!**
- Have to match mode bandwidths
- **Have to pump HARD!**