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Active opto-mechanical filter

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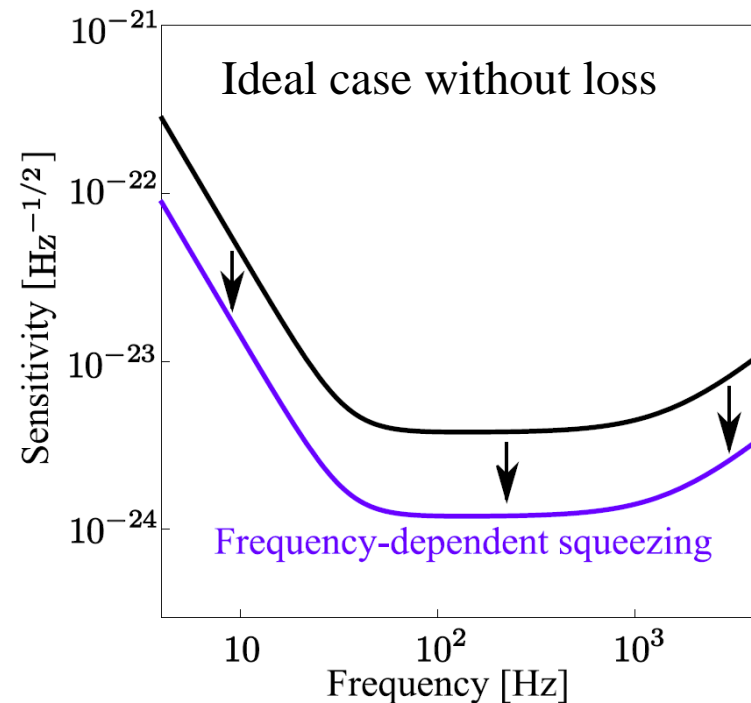
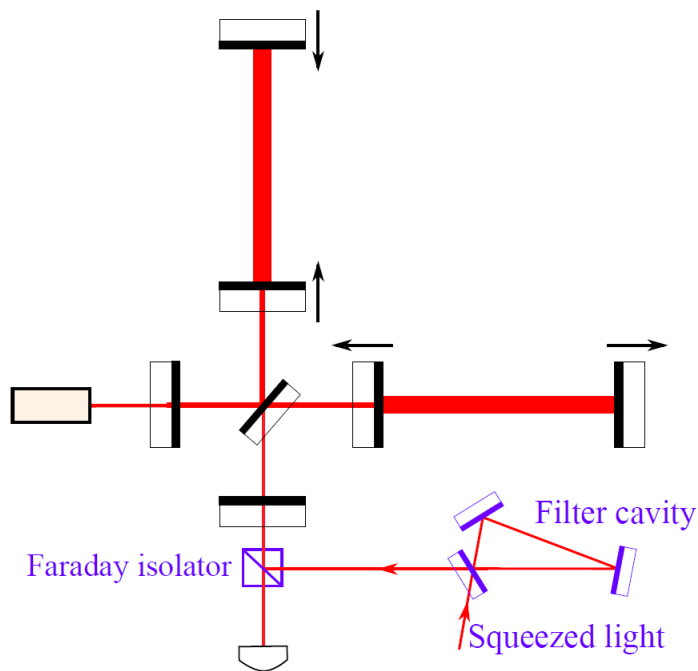
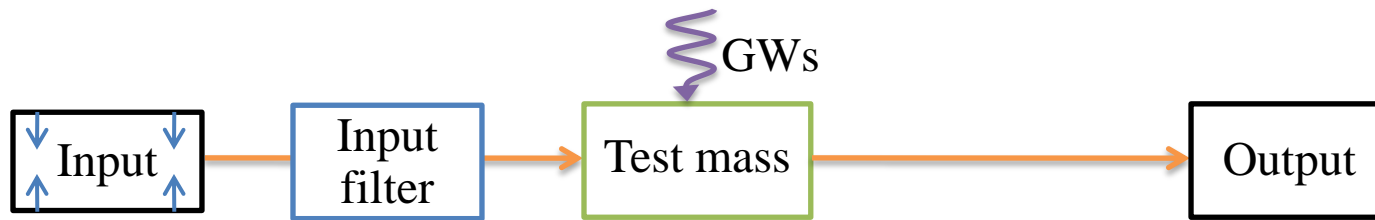
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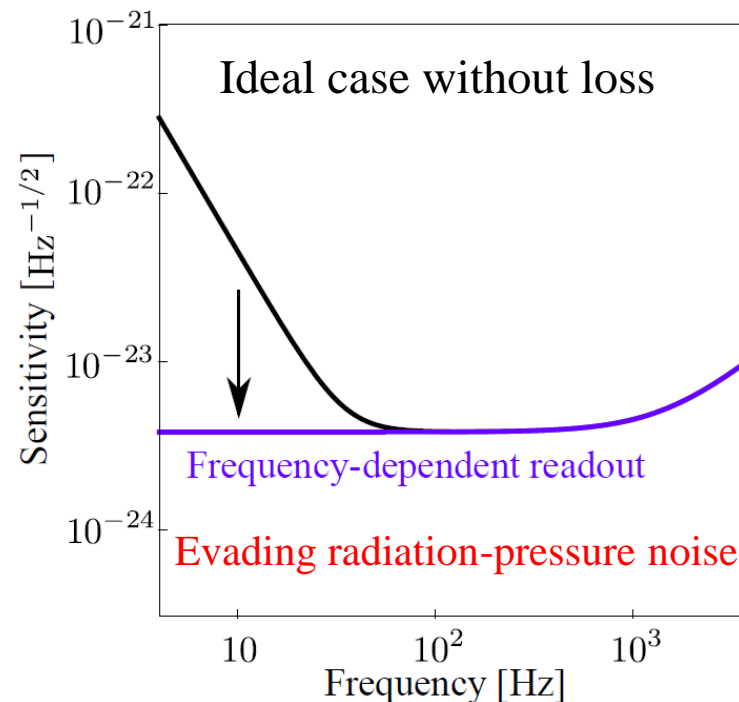
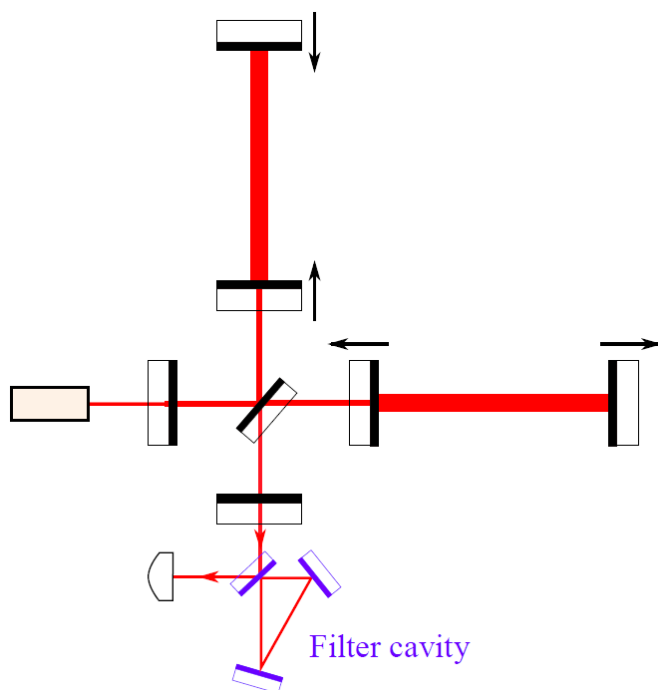
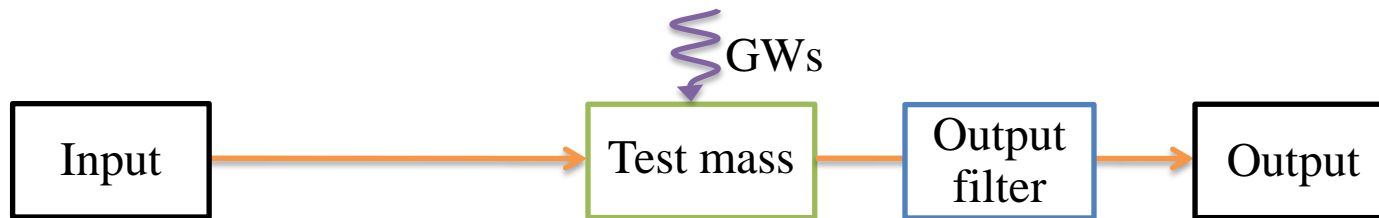
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Reference: H. Kimble, Y. Levin, A. Matsko, K. Thorne, and S. Vyatchanin, PRD 65, 022002 (2001)

Frequency-dependent readout

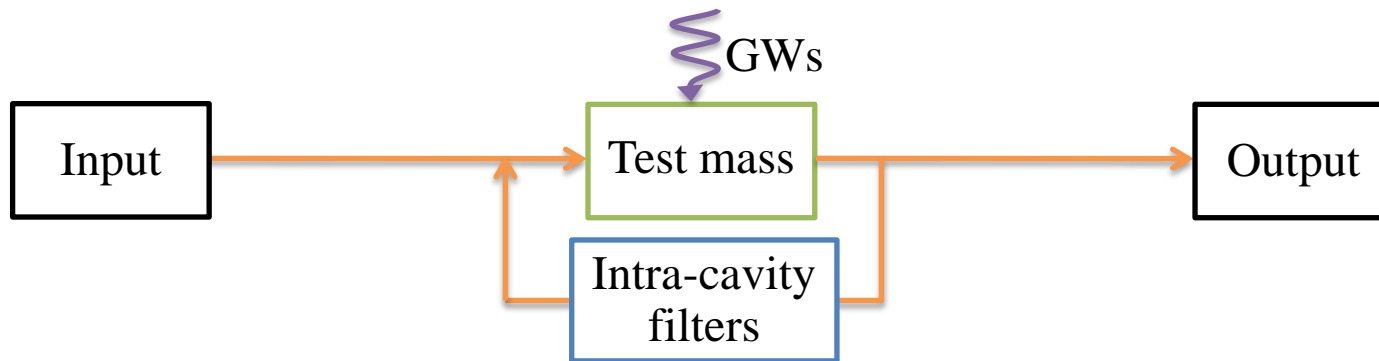
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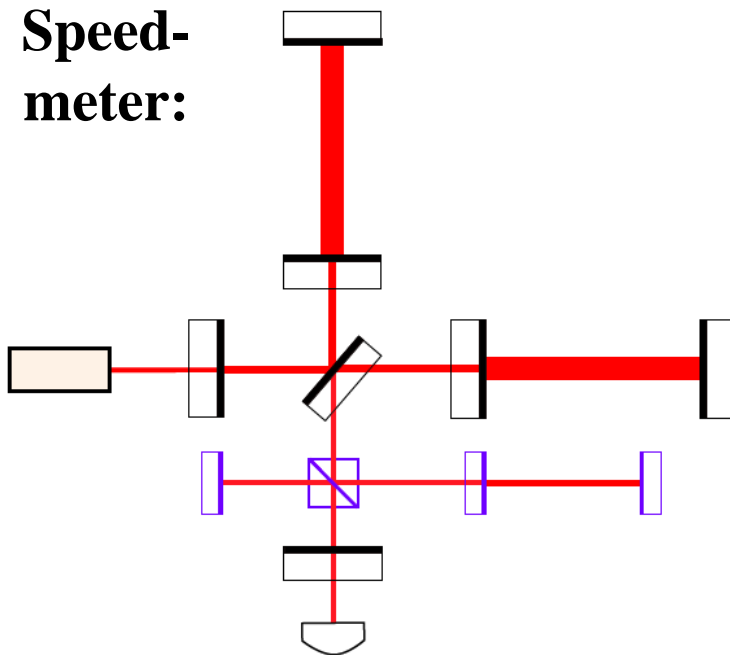
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Intra-cavity filtering

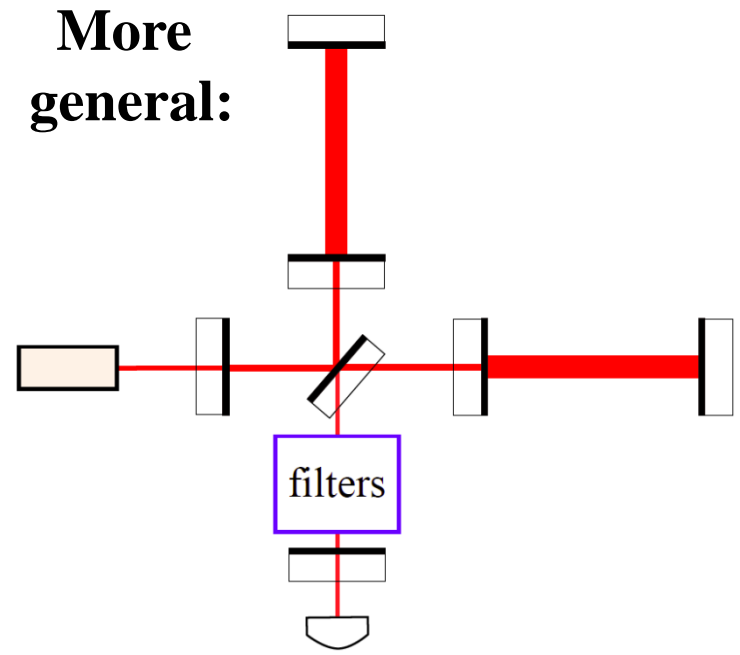
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Speed-meter:



More general:



Reference: M. Wang, H. Miao, A. Freise, and Y. Chen, PRD **89**, 062009 (2014)

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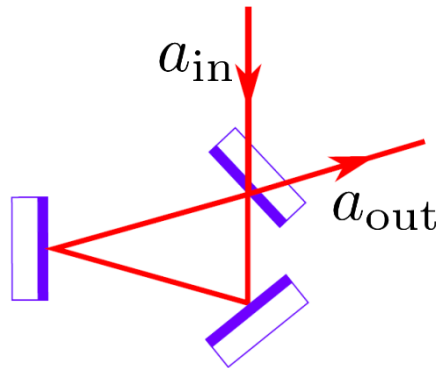
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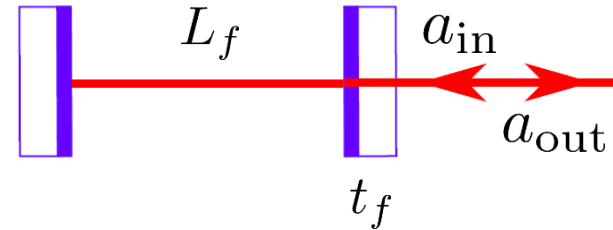
Passive filter cavity

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Triangular cavity



Linear cavity



Input-output relation (for sideband):

$$a_{\text{out}}(\Omega) = \frac{i\gamma_f - (\Omega - \Delta_f)}{i\gamma_f + (\Omega - \Delta_f)} a_{\text{in}}(\Omega)$$

$$\text{Bandwidth: } \gamma_f \equiv \frac{t_f^2}{4(L_f/c)}$$

$$\text{Detuning: } \Delta_f = \omega_{\text{cav}} - \omega_0$$

Order of magnitude:

$$\gamma_f/(2\pi) = 50\text{Hz} \left(\frac{150\text{m}}{L_f} \right) \left(\frac{10^4}{\text{Finesse}} \right) = 50\text{Hz} \left(\frac{15\text{m}}{L_f} \right) \left(\frac{10^5}{\text{Finesse}} \right)$$

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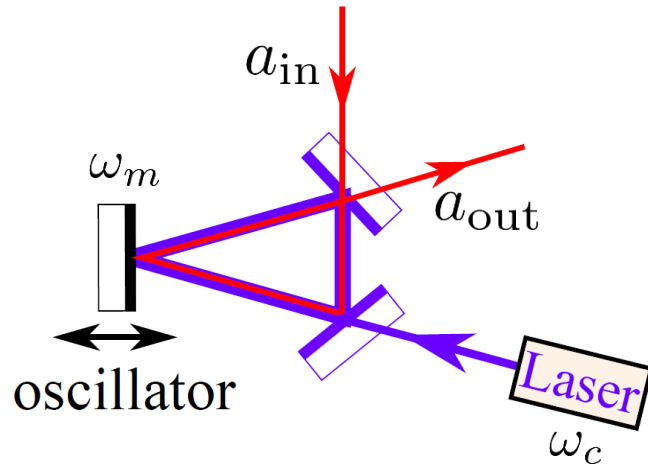
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Introducing control laser & mechanical oscillator:



$$E(t) = \underbrace{E_c e^{-i\omega_c t}}_{\text{Control laser}} + \underbrace{a(t) e^{-i\omega_0 t}}_{\text{Signal sidebands}} + \text{c.c}$$

$$x(t) = \underbrace{X(t) e^{-i\omega_m t} + X^*(t) e^{i\omega_m t}}_{\text{Mechanical motion}}$$

Radiation pressure coupling:

$$H_{\text{int}}(t) = \frac{P(t)}{c} x(t) \propto E^2(t) x(t)$$



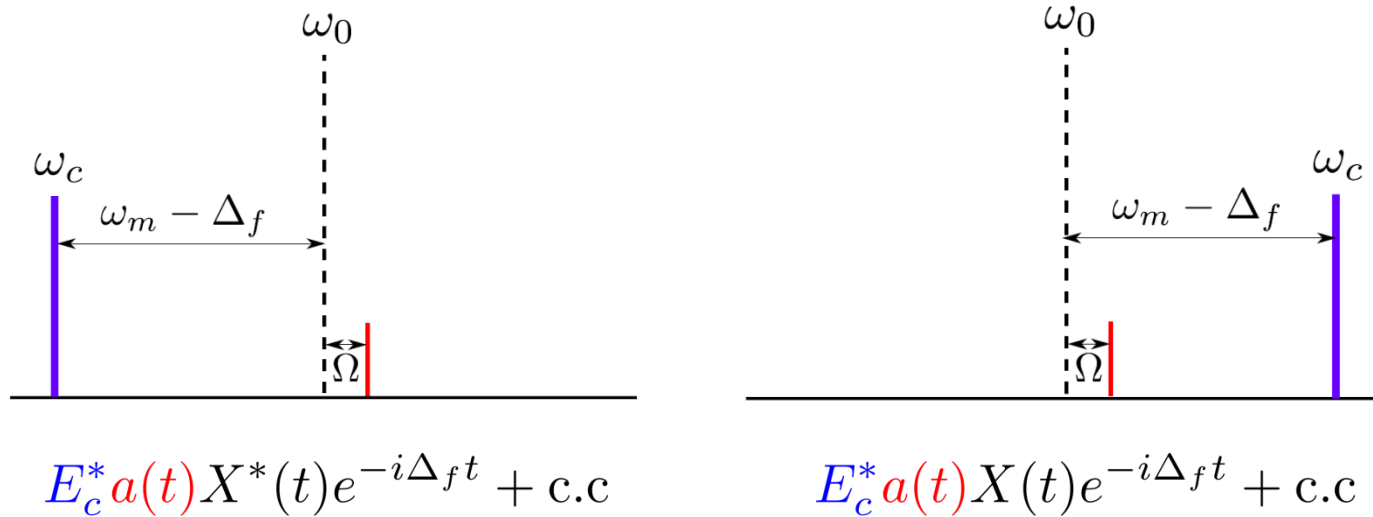
$$E_c^* a(t) X^*(t) e^{i(\omega_c - \omega_0 + \omega_m)t} + \text{c.c}$$

$$E_c^* a(t) X(t) e^{-i(\omega_c - \omega_0 - \omega_m)t} + \text{c.c}$$

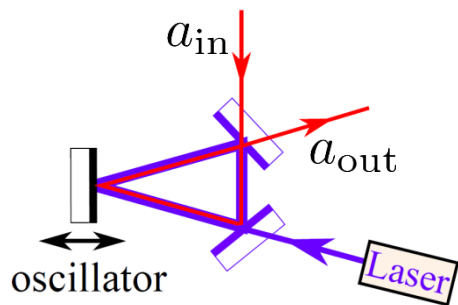
Analogous to “three-wave mixing”

Active opto-mechanical filter

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Input-output relation ($\omega_m \gg \gamma_f$):



$$a_{\text{out}}(\Omega) \approx \frac{i(\pm\gamma_{\text{opt}} - \gamma_m) - (\Omega - \Delta_f)}{i(\pm\gamma_{\text{opt}} + \gamma_m) + (\Omega - \Delta_f)} a_{\text{in}}(\Omega)$$

$$\gamma_{\text{opt}} \equiv \frac{4P_c \omega_c}{m \omega_m c^2 t_f^2} \quad \gamma_m \equiv \frac{\omega_m}{Q_m}$$

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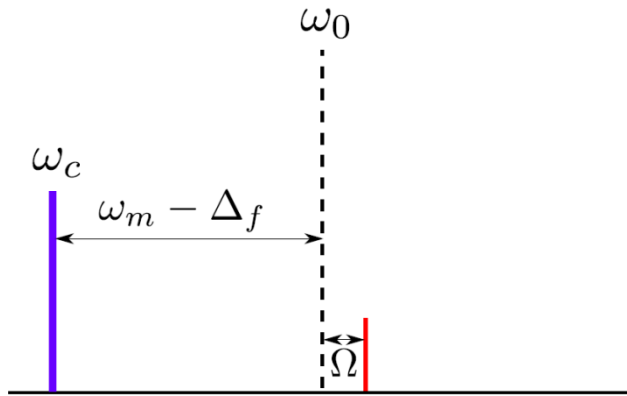
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Tunable bandwidth filter cavity

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$$a_{\text{out}}(\Omega) \approx \frac{i\gamma_{\text{opt}} - (\Omega - \Delta_f)}{i\gamma_{\text{opt}} + (\Omega - \Delta_f)} a_{\text{in}}(\Omega)$$

Equivalent cavity bandwidth:

$$\gamma_{\text{opt}} = \frac{4P_c \omega_c}{m \omega_m c^2 t_f^2}$$

Order of magnitude estimate:

$$\gamma_{\text{opt}}/(2\pi) = 50\text{Hz} \left(\frac{P_c}{15\text{W}} \right) \left(\frac{1\text{mg}}{m} \right) \left(\frac{1\text{MHz}}{\omega_m/(2\pi)} \right) \left(\frac{\text{Finesse}}{10^4} \right)$$

Length can be tens of centimeter, as long as $\omega_m \gg \gamma_f$.

Reference: Y. Ma, S. Danilishin, C. Zhao, H. Miao, W. Korth, Y. Chen, R. Ward, and D. Blair, PRL **113**, 151102 (2014)

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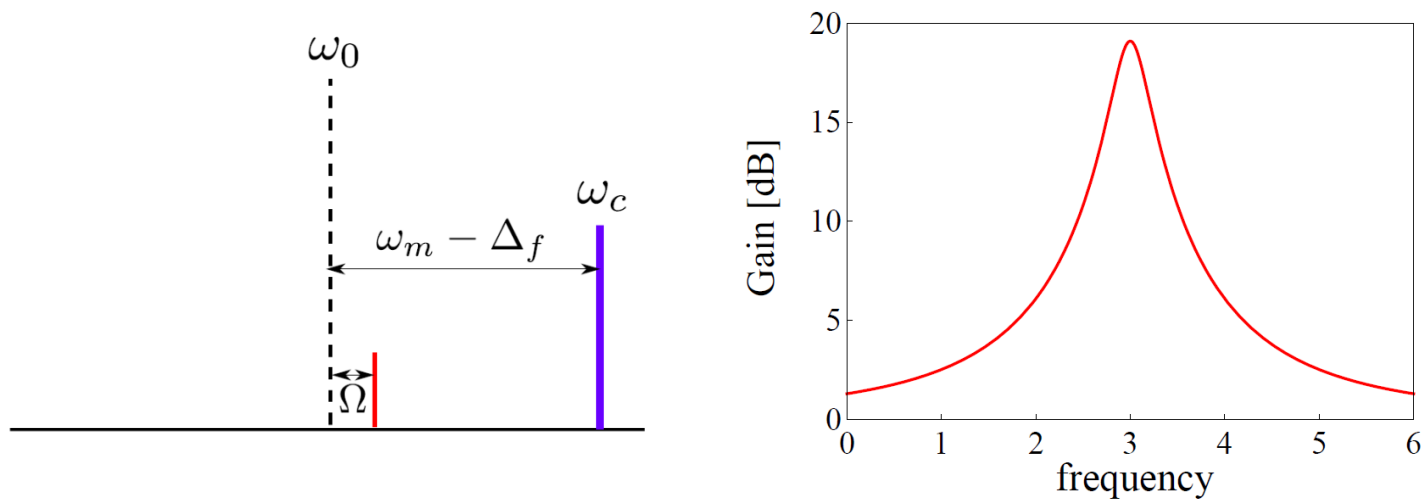
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Phase (in)sensitive amplifier

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Phase insensitive parametric amplifier:

$$a_{\text{out}}(\Omega) \approx \frac{i(-\gamma_{\text{opt}} - \gamma_m) - (\Omega - \Delta f)}{i(-\gamma_{\text{opt}} + \gamma_m) + (\Omega - \Delta f)} a_{\text{in}}(\Omega) \quad \left| \frac{a_{\text{out}}(\Omega)}{a_{\text{in}}(\Omega)} \right| > 1$$

$$\omega_c \approx \omega_0$$



**Phase sensitive amplifier
(ponderomotive squeezing)**

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Unstable filter with phase advance

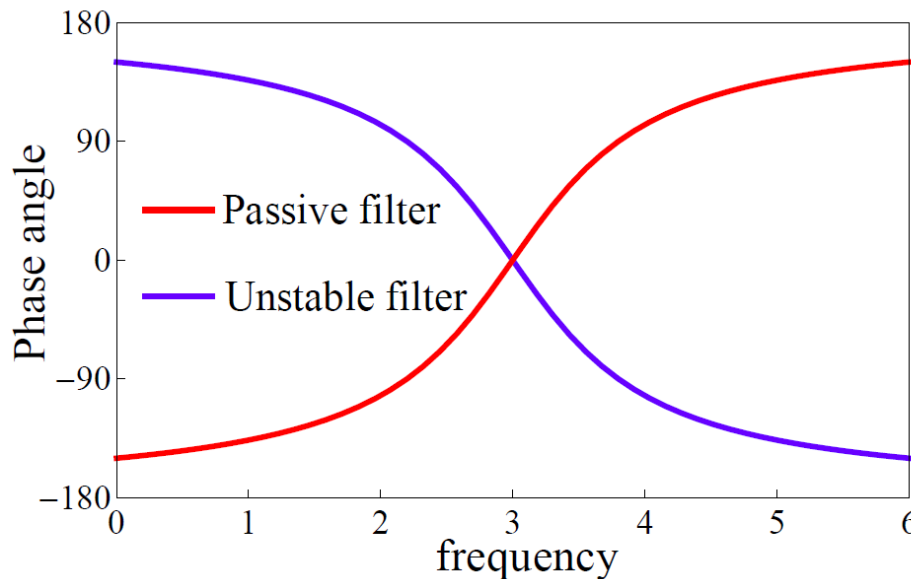
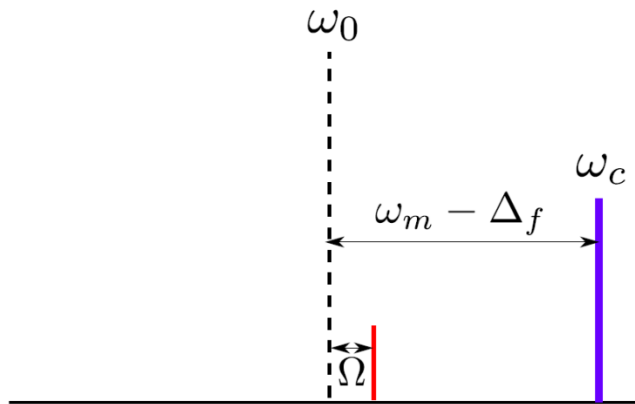
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$$a_{\text{out}}(\Omega) \approx \frac{-i\gamma_{\text{opt}} - (\Omega - \Delta_f)}{-i\gamma_{\text{opt}} + (\Omega - \Delta_f)} a_{\text{in}}(\Omega)$$

In contrast, for a passive cavity

$$a_{\text{out}}(\Omega) = \frac{i\gamma_f - (\Omega - \Delta_f)}{i\gamma_f + (\Omega - \Delta_f)} a_{\text{in}}(\Omega)$$



**Phase advance
instead of phase lag**

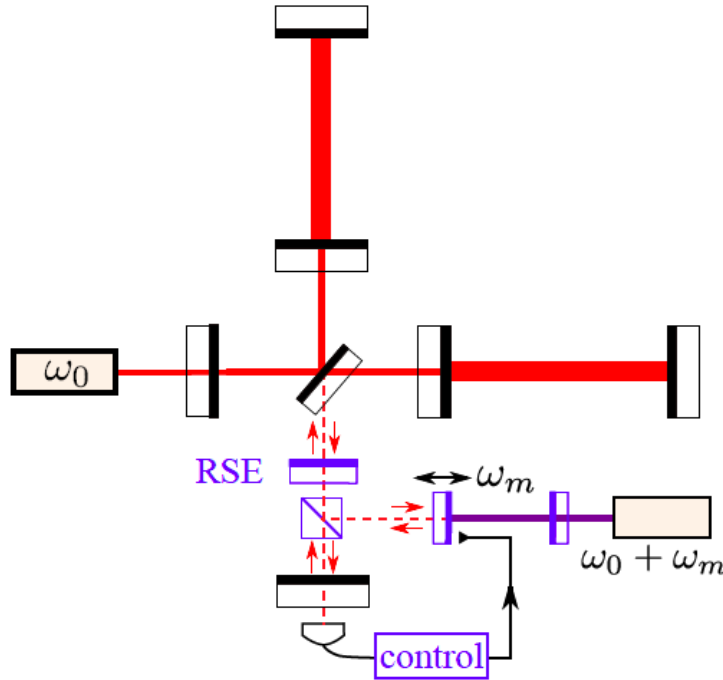


**Unstable
(acausal)**

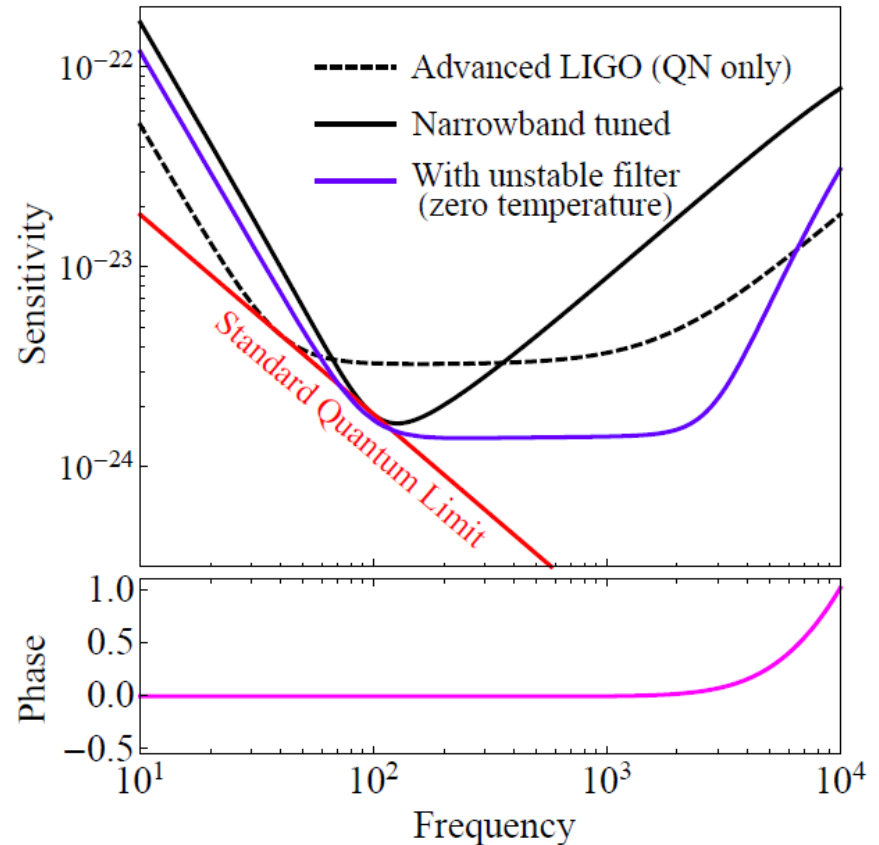
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Cancelling arm cavity propagation phase delay:



Using feedback to stabilize the whole system

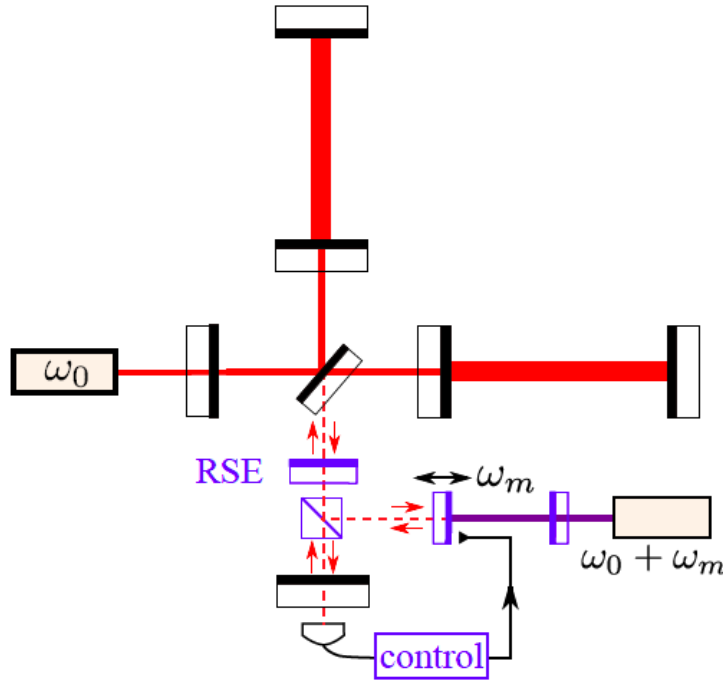


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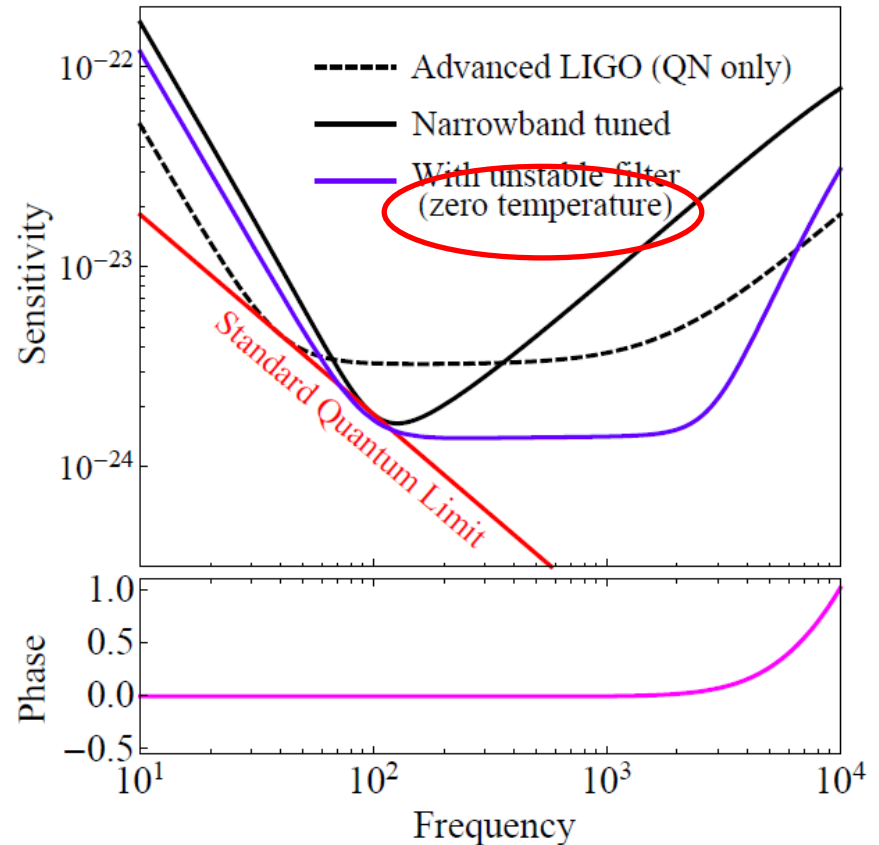
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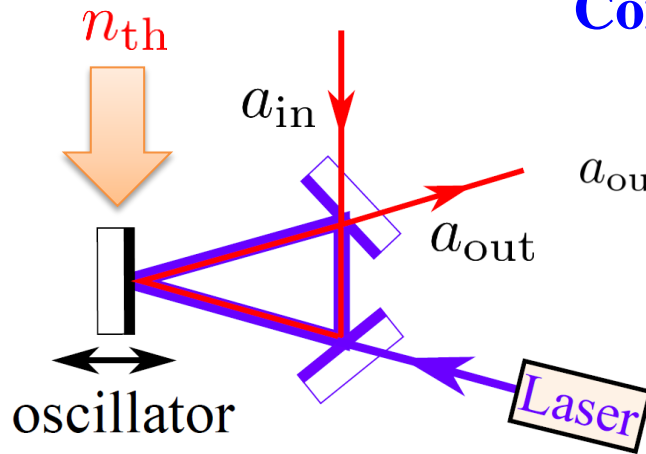
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Complete input-output relation:

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For thermal noise to be small (at the quantum level):

$$\frac{k_B T}{\hbar \gamma_{\text{opt}} Q_m} < 1$$

Order of magnitude estimate:

$$T < 2\text{mK} \left(\frac{Q_m}{10^6} \right) \left(\frac{\gamma_{\text{opt}}/(2\pi)}{50\text{Hz}} \right)$$

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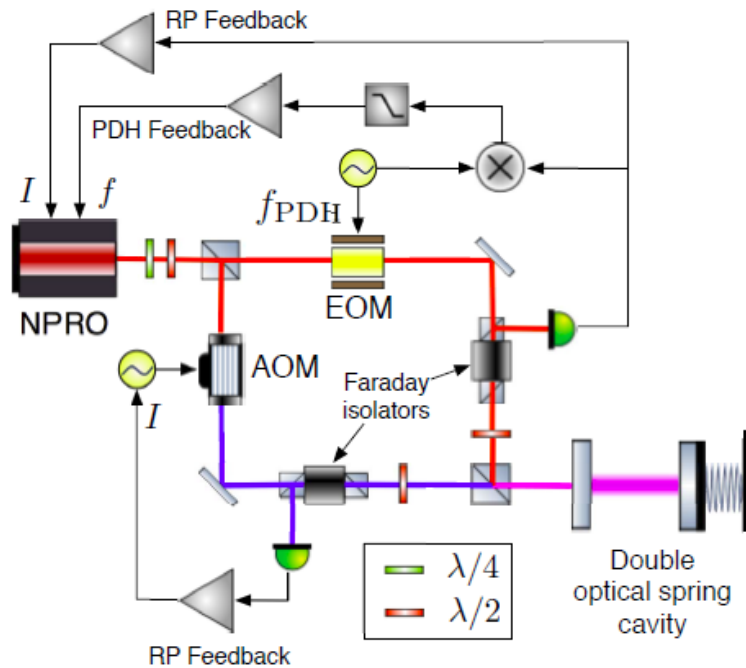
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Optical dilution idea

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Optical spring effect:

$$\omega_m \rightarrow \sqrt{\omega_{\text{opt}}^2 + \omega_m^2}$$

$$\frac{\omega_{\text{opt}}}{\omega_m} \approx 10^2 \sim 10^3$$

Suppressing radiation pressure noise via feedback:

$$Q_m^{\text{new}} \approx \frac{\omega_{\text{opt}}}{\gamma_m} \gg Q_m$$

New requirement using optical dilution idea:

$$T < 2K \left(\frac{Q_m^{\text{new}}}{10^9} \right) \left(\frac{\gamma_{\text{opt}} / (2\pi)}{50\text{Hz}} \right) \text{ Still challenging}$$

Reference: Z. Korth, H. Miao, T. Corbitt, G. Cole, Y. Chen, and R. Adhikari
PRA **88**, 033805 (2013)

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