Lecture 3 - Quantum Amplification and Linear Detectors

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Quantum physics allows amplification, but puts stringent requirements on how the amplification can be carried out. Beginning with theoretical preliminaries of how much noise a quantum limited amplifier must add to the measured signal, I will overview the linear response theory of detectors, and give examples of amplifier designs in superconducting circuits.

















(a) Three-wave Mixing $\omega_{p} = \omega_{s} + \omega_{i}$





(b) Four-wave Mixing $2\omega_p = \omega_s + \omega_i$



non-degenerate











