MULTI-MODE FREQUENCY-FILTERED CORRELATIONS

A NOVEL METHOD FOR CALCULATING FREQUENCY-FILTERED PHOTON CORRELATIONS

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ANTIBUNCHING – A QUANTUM EFFECT



Proposal for the measurement of the resonant Stark effect by photon correlation techniques

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• Second-order correlation function:

$$g^{(2)}(\tau) = \frac{\langle \sigma_+(0)\sigma_+\sigma_-(\tau)\sigma_-(0)\rangle_{ss}}{\langle \sigma_+\sigma_-\rangle_{ss}^2}$$

- $g^{(2)}(0) = 0$: antibunching / single-photons
- $g^{(2)}(0) = 1$: uncorrelated / random
- $g^{(2)}(0) > 1$: bunching / multi-photons

THREE-LEVEL LADDER-TYPE ATOM

• Hamiltonian and master equation

$$H_A = -\hbar \left(\frac{\alpha}{2} + \delta\right) |e\rangle \langle e| - 2\hbar\delta |f\rangle \langle f| + \hbar \frac{\Omega}{2} \left(\Sigma_+ + \Sigma_-\right)$$
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\rho}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{1}{i\hbar} [H_A, \rho] + \frac{\Gamma}{2} \Lambda(\Sigma_-)\rho$$

Atomic lowering operator

$$\Sigma_{-} = |g\rangle\langle e| + \xi |e\rangle\langle f|$$

- *α* anharmonicity
- δ drive detuning from two-photon resonance
- ξ dipole moment ratio
- Γ atomic decay rate



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FREQUENCY FILTERING







Frequency separation

- $\delta \omega$
- Mode-dependent phase modulation
- Combined/collective output

- Cascade fluorescence into an *array* of single-mode cavities
- Sharper frequency response cut-off
- Larger bandwidth = faster (better) temporal response
- Multi-mode "halfwidth" ($N\delta\omega$), Single-mode halfwidth (κ)





Master equation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathrm{d}\rho}{\mathrm{d}t} &= \frac{1}{i\hbar} [H_A, \rho] + \frac{\Gamma}{2} \Lambda(\Sigma_-)\rho \\ &- i \sum_{j=-N}^N \Delta \omega_j^{(a)} a_j^{\dagger} a_j + \frac{\kappa}{2} \sum_{j=-N}^N \Lambda(a_j)\rho \\ &- \sum_{j=-N}^N \mathcal{E}_j \left(a_j^{\dagger} \Sigma_- \rho - \Sigma_- \rho a_j^{\dagger} \right) - \sum_{j=-N}^N \mathcal{E}_j^* \left(\rho \Sigma_+ a_j - a_j \rho \Sigma_+ \right) \\ &- i \sum_{j=-N}^N \Delta \omega_j^{(b)} b_j^{\dagger} b_j + \frac{\kappa}{2} \sum_{j=-N}^N \Lambda(b_j)\rho \\ &- \sum_{j=-N}^N \mathcal{E}_j \left(b_j^{\dagger} \Sigma_- \rho - \Sigma_- \rho b_j^{\dagger} \right) - \sum_{j=-N}^N \mathcal{E}_j^* \left(\rho \Sigma_+ b_j - b_j \rho \Sigma_+ \right) \end{aligned}$$



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$$-\sum_{j=-N}^{N} \mathcal{E}_j \left(a_j^{\dagger} \Sigma_- \rho - \Sigma_- \rho a_j^{\dagger} \right) - \sum_{j=-N}^{N} \mathcal{E}_j^* \left(\rho \Sigma_+ a_j - a_j \rho \Sigma_+ \right)$$

$$-i \sum_{j=-N}^{N} \Delta \omega_j^{(b)} b_j^{\dagger} b_j + \frac{\kappa}{2} \sum_{j=-N}^{N} \Lambda(b_j)\rho \quad \text{Array Filter B}$$

$$-\sum_{j=-N}^{N} \mathcal{E}_j \left(b_j^{\dagger} \Sigma_- \rho - \Sigma_- \rho b_j^{\dagger} \right) - \sum_{j=-N}^{N} \mathcal{E}_j^* \left(\rho \Sigma_+ b_j - b_j \rho \Sigma_+ \right)$$



Master equation





• Frequency-filtered second-order correlation function:

$$g^{(2)}(\alpha,0;\beta,\tau) = \frac{\langle A^{\dagger}(0)B^{\dagger}B(\tau)A(0)\rangle_{ss}}{\langle A^{\dagger}A\rangle_{ss}\langle B^{\dagger}B\rangle_{ss}}$$

Collective mode annihilation operators

$$A = \sum_{j=-N}^{N} a_j, \quad B = \sum_{j=-N}^{N} b_j$$

Moment equations – efficient method for calculating



FREQUENCY-FILTERED AUTO-CORRELATIONS

FREQUENCY-FILTERED CROSS-CORRELATIONS

3.0

2.5

 $g^{(2)}(ilde{\omega}_{-3},0; ilde{\omega}_{+2}, au)$

0.5

0.0

-5

Interference of time-ordering PRL 67, 2443 (1991) PRA 45, 8045 (1992)

0

 $\Gamma \tau$

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FREQUENCY-FILTERED CROSS-CORRELATIONS

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Initial correlation values

- Red correlated / bunching
- White uncorrelated / random
- Blue anti-correlated / antibunched

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 $g^{(2)}(lpha,0;eta,0)$

CONCLUSIONS

Three-level ladder type atom

- Unique fluorescence spectrum
- New and interesting regions of photon correlations

Multi-mode array filter

- Sharper frequency response can find for new regions of photon correlations
- A large system with an extremely efficient method of calculations
- Probably an experimental nightmare

NARROW BANDWIDTHS – SINGLE-MODE

- What happens when we *decrease* the bandwidth?
- Large bandwidth = antibunching
- Vanishing bandwidth = uncorrelated (central peak), thermal (right peak)

Single-mode auto-correlations

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