Quantum enhanced magnetometer and squeezed state of light tunable filter

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Transition from classical to quantum field

Classical analog

- Field amplitude a
- Field real part $X_1 = (a^* + a)/2$
- Field imaginary part $X_2 = i(a^* a)/2$



Quantum approach

- Field operator â
- Amplitude quadrature $\hat{X_1} = (\hat{a}^\dagger + \hat{a})/2$
- Phase quadrature $\hat{\chi_2} = i(\hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a})/2$



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Self-rotation of elliptical polarization in atomic medium



A.B. Matsko et al., PRA 66, 043815 (2002): theoretically prediction of 4-6 dB noise suppression

$$a_{out} = a_{in} + \frac{igL}{2}(a_{in}^{\dagger} - a_{in})$$
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Noise contrast vs detuning in hot ⁸⁷Rb vacuum cell



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Optical magnetometer and non linear Faraday effect

Naive model of rotation

Experiment





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Shot noise limit of the magnetometer



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Squeezed enhanced magnetometer setup



Note: Squeezed enhanced magnetometer was first demonstrated by Wolfgramm *et. al* Phys. Rev. Lett, **105**, 053601, 2010.

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Magnetometer noise floor improvements



Magnetometer noise spectra



Noise suppression and response vs atomic density

Noise suppression (dB) Noise suppression 5 kHz 100 kHz 500 kHz 1 MHz -6 10¹⁰ 10¹² 10¹¹ Atomic density (atoms/cm³) 0.25 Slope of rotation signal (V/µT) 0.2 formalized transmission 0.15 0.1 0.05 Ċ 0L 10¹⁰ 1012' 1011 Atomic density (atoms/cm3) Eugeniy E. Mikhailov (W&M) Squeezed light October 5, 2012 18/42

Response

Magnetometer with squeezing enhancement



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Group velocity
$$v_g = rac{c}{\omega rac{\partial n}{\partial \omega}}$$

Susceptibility



Rotation vs B field

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Light group velocity estimate

Group velocity
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 Delay $\tau = \frac{L}{v_g} \sim \frac{\partial n}{\partial \omega} \sim$



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Light group velocity estimate



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Squeezing vs magnetic field

Spectrum analyzer settings: Central frequency = 1 MHz, VBW = 3 MHz, RBW = 100 kHz



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Squeezing modulation and time advancement



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Advancement vs power



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Quantum limited interferometers revisited



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quantum optical noise limited at almost all detection frequencies.

shot noise

Uncertainty in number of photons

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radiation pressure noise

Photons impart momentum to mirrors

$$n \sim \sqrt{\frac{P}{M^2 f^4}}$$
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There is no optimal light power to suit all detection frequency. Optimal power depends on desired detection frequency.

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Interferometer sensitivity improvement with squeezing

Projected advanced LIGO sensitivity



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Squeezing and EIT filter setup



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EIT filter and measurements without light









Squeezing angle rotation



 $\begin{pmatrix} V_{1}^{out} \\ V_{2}^{out} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos^{2}\varphi_{+} & \sin^{2}\varphi_{+} \\ \sin^{2}\varphi_{+} & \cos^{2}\varphi_{+} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A_{+}^{2} & A_{-}^{2} \\ A_{-}^{2} & A_{+}^{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} V_{1}^{in} \\ V_{2}^{in} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \left(A_{+}^{2} + A_{-}^{2}\right) \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ Locked at 300kHz Locked at 1200kHz



Narrower filter

T=35°C, no control transmission 42%





T=40°C, no control transmission 17%





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Excess noise and leakage



Effect of leakage photons

Theoretical prediction for MOT squeezing with ⁸⁷Rb

 $F_g = 2 \rightarrow F_e = 1, 2$ high optical density is very important



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MOT squeezer

Cloud size =1 mm, T = 200 μ K, N = 7 \times 10⁹ 1/cm³, OD = 2, beam size = 0.1 mm, 10⁵ interacting atoms



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Noise contrast in MOT with ⁸⁷Rb $F_g = 2 \rightarrow F_e = 1$



Squeezing in MOT with ⁸⁷Rb $F_g = 2 \rightarrow F_e = 1$



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Summary

- We demonstrate fully atomic squeezed enhanced magnetometer
- Magnetometer noise floor lowered in the range from several kHz to several MHz
- Demonstrated sensitivity as low as 1 pT/ \sqrt{Hz} in our particular setup
- First demonstration of superluminal squeezing propagation with $v_g = c/2000$ or time advancement of 0.5 μ S

For more details:

- T. Horrom, et al. "Quantum Enhanced Magnetometer with Low Frequency Squeezing", **PRA**, 86, 023803, (2012).
- T. Horrom, et al. "All-atomic generation and noise-quadrature filtering of squeezed vacuum in hot Rb vapor", arXiv:1204.3967.

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