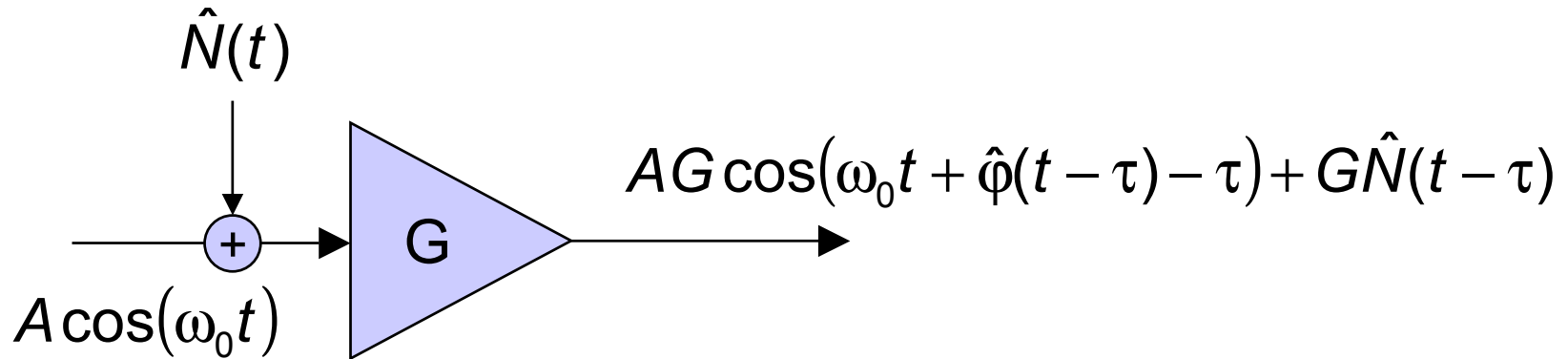


AN EFFECTIVE SCHEME FOR NOISE CANCELLATION IN MICROWAVE AMPLIFIERS.

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Amplifier noise



G amplitude gain

$\hat{\phi}(t)$

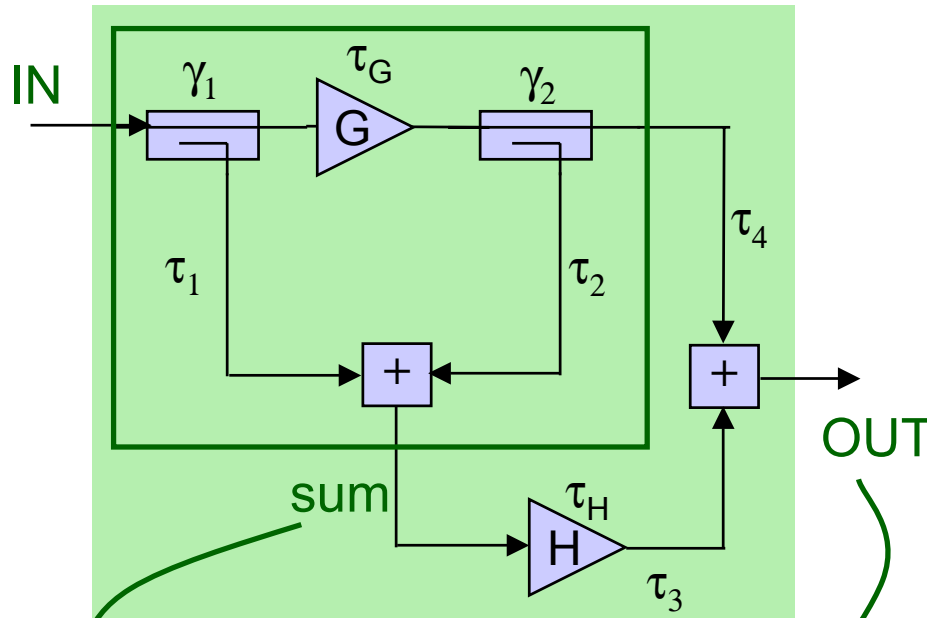
multiplicative
&
additive

$\hat{N}(t)$



noise processes
generated by the
amplifier

The conceptual scheme



✎ Ideal input signal
 $A \cos(\omega_0 t)$

✎ Noise processes
 $\hat{\Phi}_G, \hat{\Phi}_H, \hat{N}_G, \hat{N}_H$

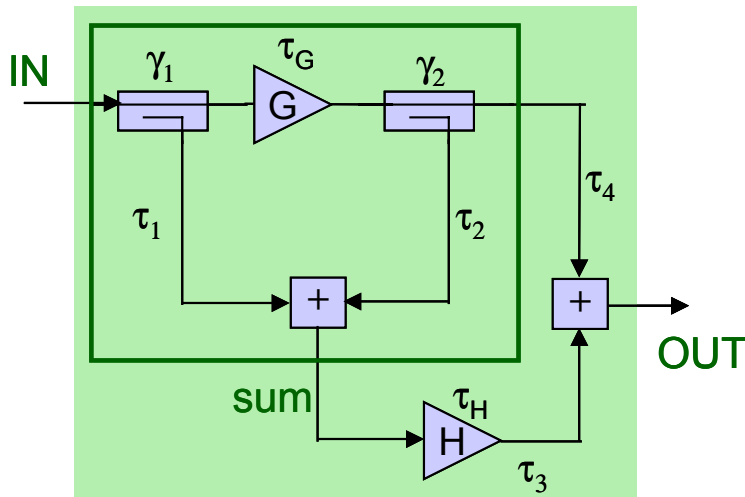
✎ Time (phase) delays
 $\tau_i \quad i = 1..4$

$$\underline{\text{sum}} = A \gamma_1 \hat{\Phi}_G \sin(\omega_0 t - \tau) + \gamma_1 \hat{N}_G(t - \tau)$$

$$\underline{\text{OUT}} = AG \cos(\omega_0 t - \tau) + H \hat{N}_H(t - \tau')$$

no multiplicative noise!

Features of ideal system



Carrier cancellation conditions

$$\begin{cases} \tau_2 + \tau_G = \tau_1 \pm \frac{\pi}{\omega_0} \\ G\gamma_2 = \gamma_1 \end{cases}$$

Noise cancellation conditions

$$\begin{cases} \tau_1 + \tau_H + \tau_3 = \tau_4 + \tau_G \\ \gamma_1 H = G \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \gamma_2 H = 1 \end{cases}$$

Amplifier phase variations with temperature are a source of fluctuations in cancellation conditions.

Non-ideal cancellation conditions - I

 Imperfect carrier cancellation



$$\begin{cases} \tau_2 + \tau_G = \tau_1 + \Delta\tau_c \pm \frac{\pi}{\omega_0} \\ G\gamma_2 = \gamma_1 + \Delta\alpha_c \end{cases}$$

$$sum = A(\gamma_1 + \Delta\alpha_c) \hat{\phi}_G \sin(\omega_0 t - \tau) - \gamma_1 \hat{N}_G(t - \tau) - \underbrace{A\Delta\alpha_c \cos\left(\omega_0 t - \tau - \gamma_1 \frac{\Delta\tau_c}{\Delta\alpha_c}\right)}_{\text{residual carrier}}$$

 Imperfect noise cancellation

$$\begin{cases} \tau_1 + \tau_3 + \tau_H = \tau_4 + \tau_G + \Delta\tau_n \\ \gamma_1 H = G + \Delta\alpha_n \end{cases}$$

$$OUT = AG \underbrace{\left(1 - \frac{\Delta\tau_n \hat{\phi}_G}{G}\right)}_{\text{AM noise}} \cos\left(\omega_0 t - \tau + \frac{\Delta\alpha_n}{G} \hat{\phi}_G\right) + \hat{H}N_H(t - \tau) - \underbrace{\Delta\alpha_n \hat{N}_G(t - \tau)}_{\text{excess additive noise}}$$

residual multiplicative phase noise
excess additive noise

Non-ideal cancellation conditions - II

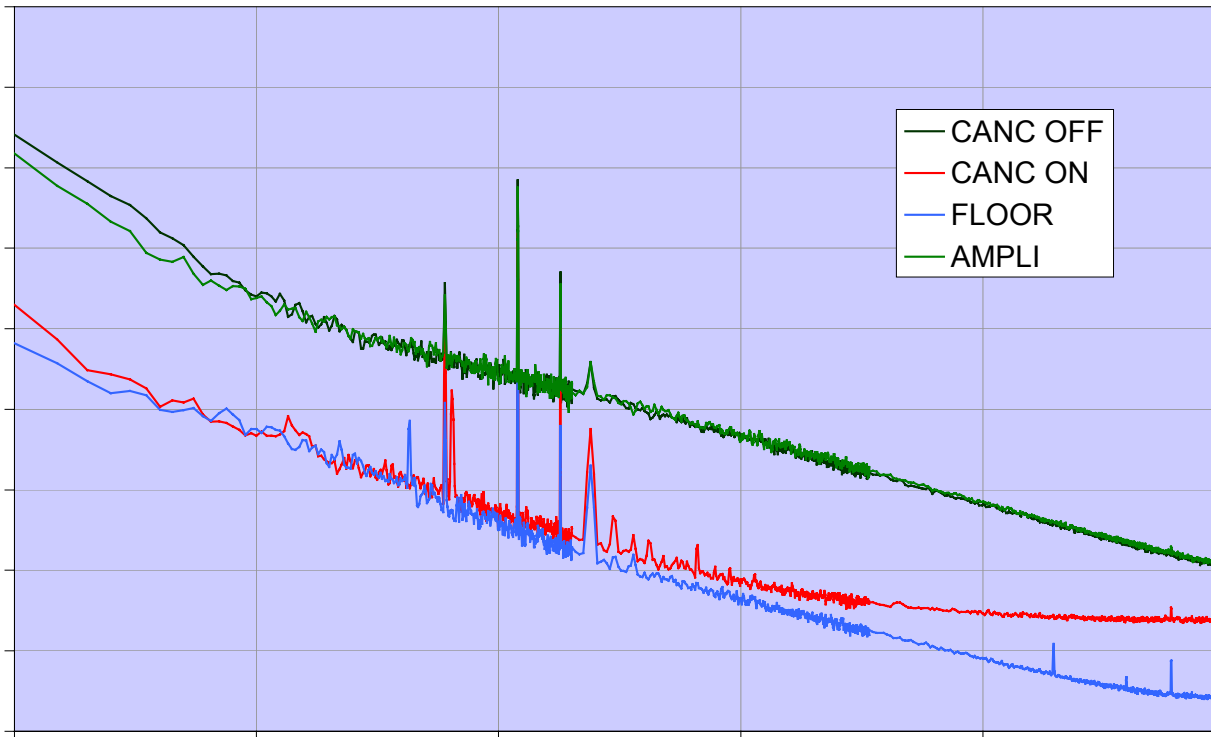
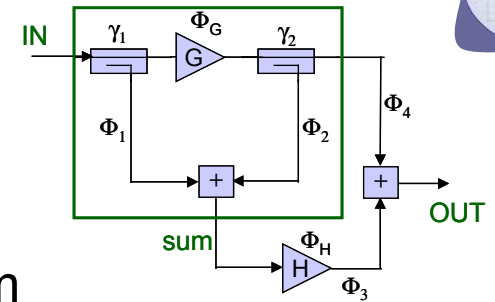
- Both cancellations are imperfect

$$\begin{aligned}
 OUT = AG & \left[1 + \underbrace{(\Delta\tau_c + \Delta\tau_n) \hat{\phi}_G}_{\text{AM noise}} \right] \cos \left[\omega_0 t + \underbrace{\frac{\Delta\alpha_n}{G} \hat{\phi}_G + \frac{\Delta\alpha_c}{\gamma_1} \hat{\phi}_H - \tau}_{\text{residual multiplicative phase noise}} \right] \\
 & + H\hat{N}_H(t - \tau) - \underbrace{\Delta\alpha_n \hat{N}_G(t - \tau)}_{\text{residual additive phase noise}}
 \end{aligned}$$

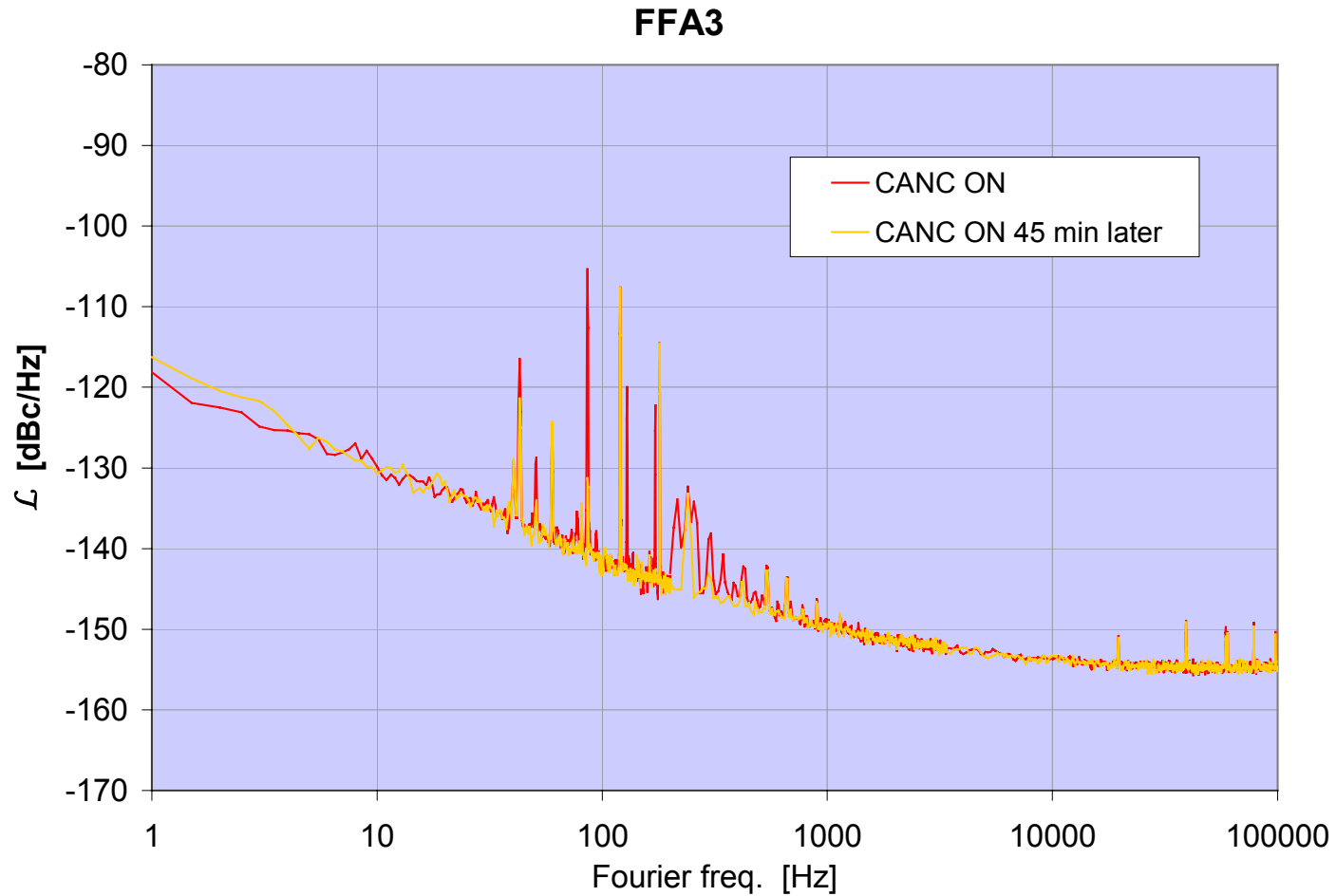


10G system

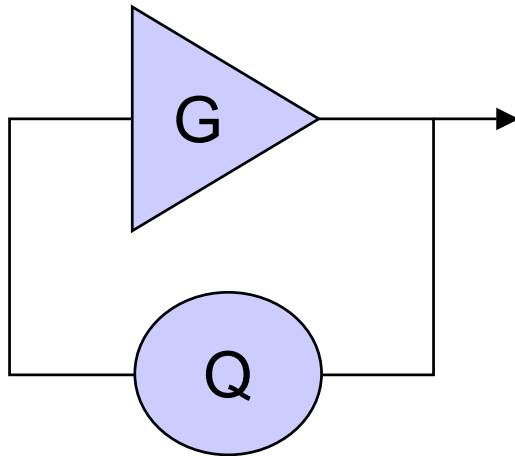
Gain=21 dB $P_{out} = 11 \text{ dBm}$



Cancellation stability over time



Oscillator application



 Leeson model

Given amplifier with

$$S_{\varphi}^{amp}(f)$$

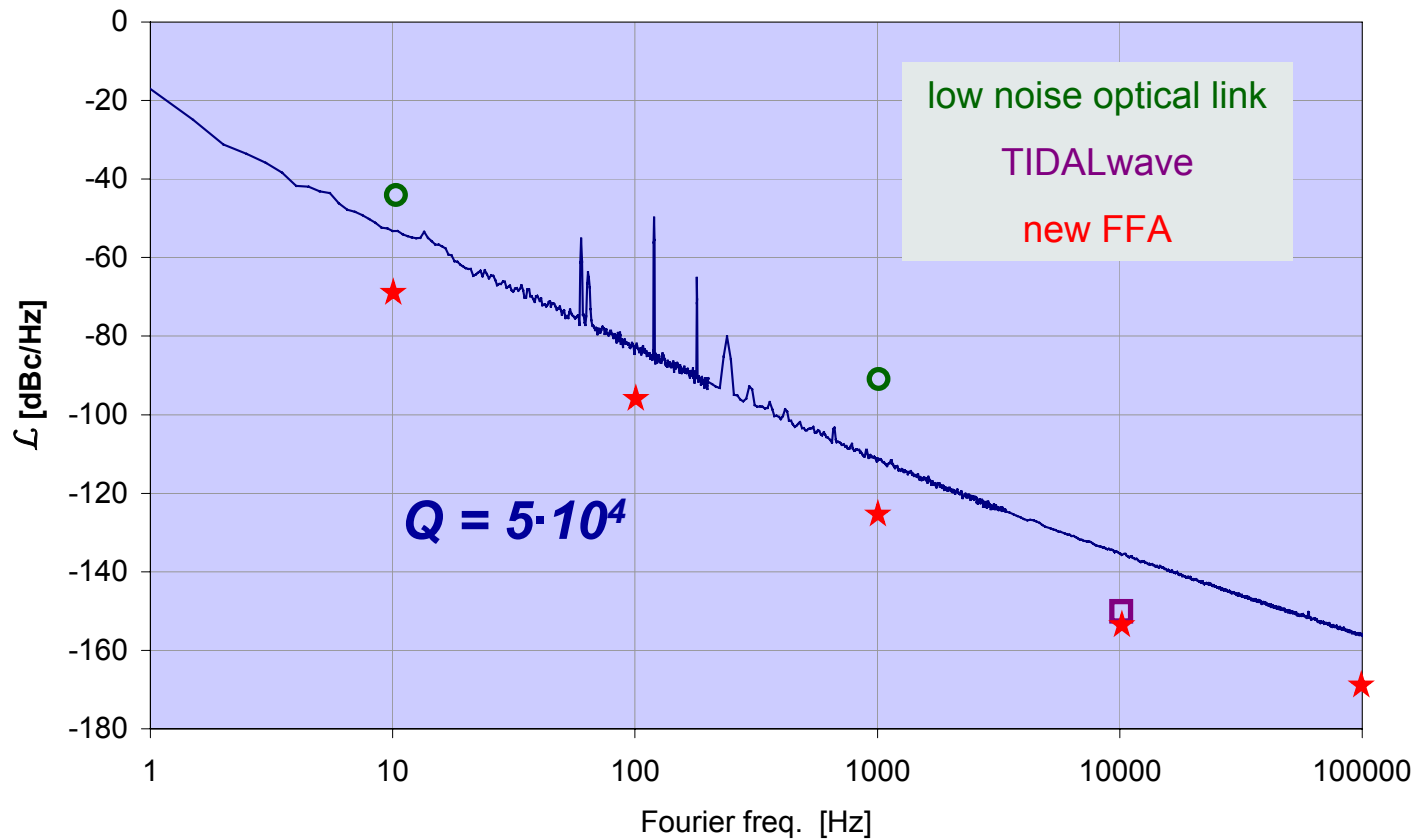
and resonator with

$$Q = 5 \cdot 10^4$$








$$\Rightarrow S_{\varphi}^{osc}(f) = \frac{V_0^2}{4 \cdot 5 \cdot 10^4 f^2} S_{\varphi}^{amp}(f)$$

Comparisons

FFA ideal osc ($Q = 5 \cdot 10^4$)



Conclusions and future work

-  cross-correlation phase noise measurement system
-  implementation of cancellation control loops
-  what happens to AM?
-  limitations in additive noise cancellation
-  limitations due to cross-talk
-  implementation in oscillator loop and operation in compressed regime
-  higher power regime