

# Electric Circuits for Physicists

## 電子回路論 第10回

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Impedance matching condition for transmission line termination

Characteristic impedance  $Z_0$ , termination impedance  $Z$ :  $Z = Z_0$

Assumption: Propagating mode  $\rightarrow Z_0$  : real

$Z_0$  is, in a sense, transverse impedance and does not cause energy dissipation.

Minimization of energy loss at the output impedance  $Z_0$  :  $Z = Z_0^*$

$$R_{\text{in}} = S_{11} + \frac{S_{12}S_{21}R_L}{1 - S_{22}R_L} \quad R_{\text{out}} = S_{22} + \frac{S_{12}S_{21}R_S}{1 - S_{11}R_S}$$

Matching condition:  $R_L = R_{\text{out}}^*$ ,  $R_S = R_{\text{in}}^*$

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# 6.1 Fluctuation

Quantity  $x$ , fluctuation  $\delta x = x - \bar{x}$

$$\overline{(\delta x)^2} = \overline{(x - \bar{x})^2} = \overline{x^2} - \bar{x}^2 \quad (\overline{\delta x} = 0)$$

$g(x)$ : distribution function of  $x$

Fourier transform:  $u(q) = \mathcal{F}\{g(x)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) e^{ixq} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$

$u(t)$  : **characteristic function** of the distribution

From Taylor expansion, any moment can be obtained as

$$\overline{x^n} = \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{i^n} \left[ \frac{d^n}{dq^n} u(q) \right]_{q=0}$$

Moments to high orders  $\rightarrow$  reconstruction of  $g(x)$

# Power Spectrum

Consider probability sets in the interval  $[0, T)$ .

$$x_j(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_{jn} \cos \omega_n t + b_{jn} \sin \omega_n t), \quad \omega_n = \frac{2n\pi}{T}$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{jn} = (a_{nj} \cos \omega_n t + b_{nj} \sin \omega_n t)^2$$

$$\langle \mathcal{P}_n \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \langle a_n^2 + b_n^2 \rangle \quad \because \text{cross product terms are averaged out}$$

Random process:

Gaussian distribution

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left[ -\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2} \right]$$

$$\overline{(\delta x)^2} = \sigma^2, \quad \overline{\left( \sum_{j=1}^m \delta x_j \right)^2} = m\sigma^2$$

Then  $\overline{\langle \mathcal{P}_n \rangle} = \sigma_n^2$  (non-Markovian)

# Power Spectrum

## Power spectrum $G(\omega)$

Frequency band width  $\delta\omega$  : separation between two adjacent frequencies

$$\delta\omega = \omega_{n+1} - \omega_n = \frac{2(n+1)\pi}{T} - \frac{2n\pi}{T} = \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

$$G(\omega_n) \frac{\delta\omega}{2\pi} = \overline{\langle \mathcal{P}_n \rangle} (= \sigma_n^2)$$

$$\overline{\langle x^2(t) \rangle} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \overline{\langle \mathcal{P}_n \rangle} \quad (\overline{\langle x(t) \rangle} = 0)$$

$$= \sum_n G(\omega_n) \frac{\delta\omega}{2\pi} \rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} G(\omega) \frac{d\omega}{2\pi}$$

## 6.1.1 Fluctuation-Dissipation Theorem

$$\omega_0 \equiv 1/\sqrt{LC} \quad Z(i\omega) = \frac{R(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2) + i\omega_0^2\omega L}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2},$$
$$Y(i\omega) = \frac{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2}{R(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2) + i\omega_0^2\omega L}$$

$V(t)$  noise power spectrum  $\rightarrow G_v(\omega)$

$$G_v(\omega) = 4k_B T \operatorname{Re}[Z(i\omega)]$$

$$G_v(\omega) = 4k_B T R \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Johnson-Nyquist noise} \\ \text{Thermal noise} \end{array}$$

## 6.1.2 Wiener-Khinchine Theorem

Self-correlation function  $C(\tau) = \overline{\langle x(t)x(t + \tau) \rangle}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \overline{\sum_{n,m} \langle [a_n \cos \omega_n t + b_n \sin \omega_n t][a_m \cos \omega_m(t + \tau) + b_m \sin \omega_m(t + \tau)] \rangle} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_n \overline{\langle a_n^2 + b_n^2 \rangle} \cos \omega_n \tau = \sum_n \overline{\langle \mathcal{P}_n \rangle} \cos \omega_n \tau \\ &= \int_0^\infty G(\omega) \cos \omega \tau \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \end{aligned}$$

$$C(\tau) = \int_0^\infty G(\omega) \cos \omega \tau \frac{d\omega}{2\pi}$$

$$G(\omega) = 4 \int_0^\infty C(\tau) \cos \omega \tau d\tau$$

Wiener-Khinchine theorem



## 6.1.2 Wiener-Khinchine Theorem

Example)

$$C(\tau) = \exp\left(-\frac{\tau}{\tau_0}\right)$$

$$G(f) = 4 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\tau/\tau_0} \cos(2\pi f\tau) d\tau = \frac{4\tau_0}{1 + (2\pi f\tau_0)^2}$$

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## 6.1.4 Nyquist Theorem

Mode density on a transmission line with length  $l$

$$\omega_n = c^* k_n = \frac{2\pi n c^*}{l} \quad \therefore \quad \delta\omega = \frac{2\pi c^*}{l}$$

Bidirectional  $\rightarrow$  Freedom  $\times 2$

Bose distribution

$$f(\hbar\omega, T) = \frac{1}{\exp(\hbar\omega/k_B T) - 1}$$

## 6.1.4 Nyquist Theorem

Thermal energy density per freedom

$$\frac{\hbar\omega}{\exp(\hbar\omega/k_{\text{B}}T) - 1} \sim \frac{\hbar\omega}{1 + (\hbar\omega/k_{\text{B}}T) - 1} = k_{\text{B}}T \quad (k_{\text{B}}T \gg \hbar\omega)$$

Thermal energy density in band  $\Delta\omega$

$$2 \frac{\Delta\omega}{\delta\omega} k_{\text{B}}T = \frac{2k_{\text{B}}Tl}{2\pi c^*} \Delta\omega, \text{ a half of which flows in one-direction}$$

Energy flowing out from the end:

$$\frac{k_{\text{B}}Tl}{2\pi c^*} \Delta\omega \times \frac{1}{l} \times c^* = k_{\text{B}}T \Delta f \quad (2\pi f = \omega)$$

equals the energy supplied from the noise source.

$$\overline{J^2} R = k_{\text{B}}T \Delta f, \quad \overline{V^2} = 4Rk_{\text{B}}T \Delta f$$

$$\sqrt{\overline{J^2 V^2}} = 2k_{\text{B}}T \Delta f \quad \rightarrow \text{Noise Temperature}$$

## 6.1.5 Shot Noise

### Single Electron

Time domain:  $\delta$ -function approximation

$$\begin{aligned} J_e(t) &= e\delta(t - t_0) \\ &= e \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2\pi i f(t-t_0)} df = 2e \int_0^{\infty} \cos [2\pi f(t - t_0)] df \end{aligned}$$

Uniform  $2e$  in frequency domain: fluctuation at each frequency  
Coherent only at  $t = t_0$

Current fluctuation density for infinitesimal band  $df$

$$\delta J = d\sqrt{\langle J_e^2 \rangle} = \frac{2e}{\sqrt{2}} df = \sqrt{2}e df$$

## 6.1.5 Shot Noise

### Double Electron

$$\overline{\langle \delta j^2 \rangle} = (j_p + j_q e^{i\phi})(j_p + j_q e^{-i\phi}) = j_p^2 + j_q^2 + 2j_p j_q \cos \phi$$

$\phi$ : coherent phase shift  $\rightarrow$  averaged out

$$\overline{\langle \delta j^2 \rangle} = j_p^2 + j_q^2 = 2 \times (\sqrt{2}e)^2 df$$

### N-Electron

$$\overline{\langle \delta J^2 \rangle} = N \times 2e^2 df = 2e\bar{J}df \quad (\bar{J} = eN)$$

Quantum mechanical correlation  $\rightarrow$  Modification from random

## 6.1.5 Shot Noise

### Example: pn junction

Current-Voltage characteristics:  $J(V) = J_0 \left[ \exp\left(\frac{eV}{k_B T}\right) - 1 \right]$

Differential resistance  $r_d = \left(\frac{dJ}{dV}\right)^{-1} = \left[\frac{eJ_0}{k_B T} \exp\left(\frac{eV}{k_B T}\right)\right]^{-1} = \frac{k_B T}{e} \frac{1}{J + J_0}$

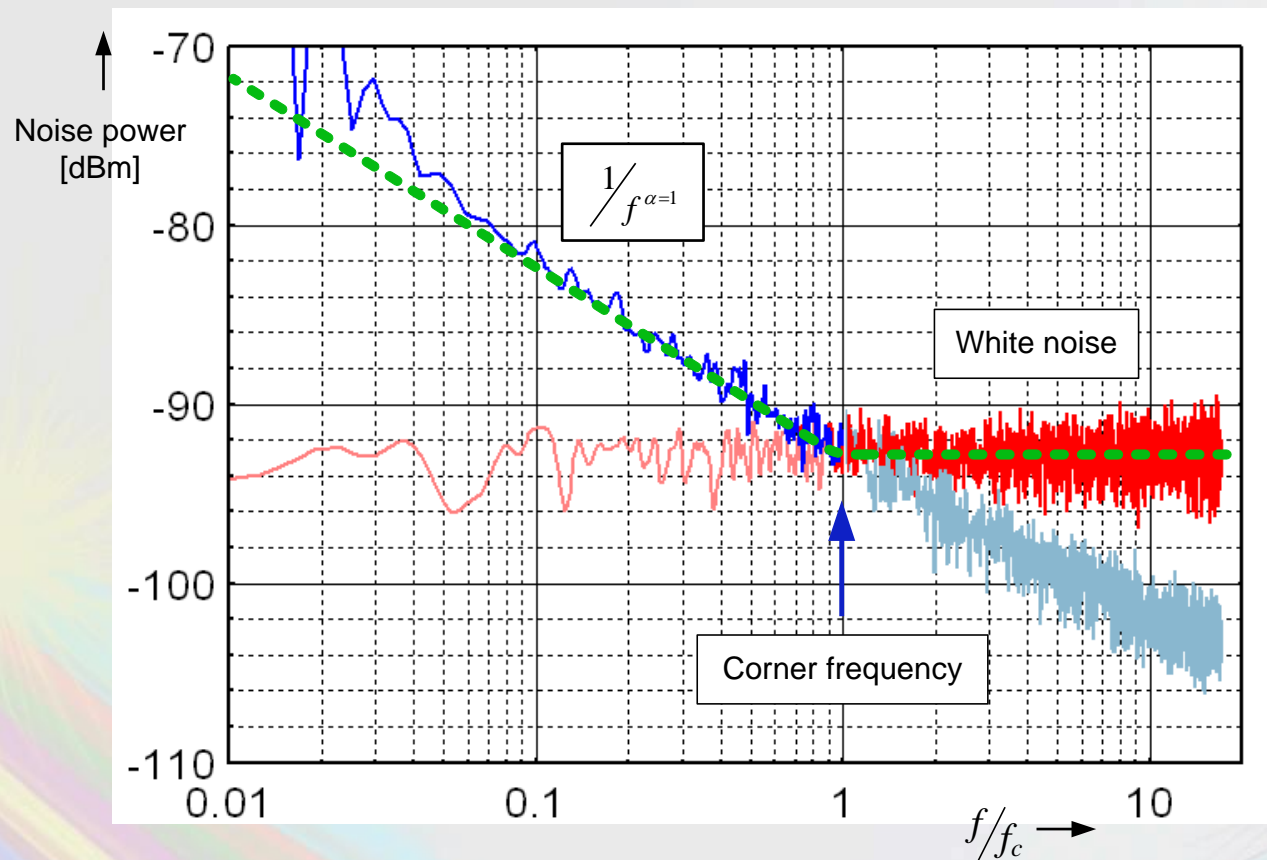
$$J \gg J_0 \rightarrow r_d \sim k_B T / eJ$$

$$\overline{\langle (\delta J)^2 \rangle} = 2e \frac{k_B T}{e r_d} df = 4k_B T \frac{1}{2r_d} df$$

$$(\delta V)^2 = 4 \frac{r_d}{2} k_B T \Delta f$$

## 6.1.6 1/f noise

$$(\delta V)^2 = K J^a R^2 \frac{\Delta f}{f^\alpha}$$



# “Unit” of Noise

Noise: Power spectrum per frequency

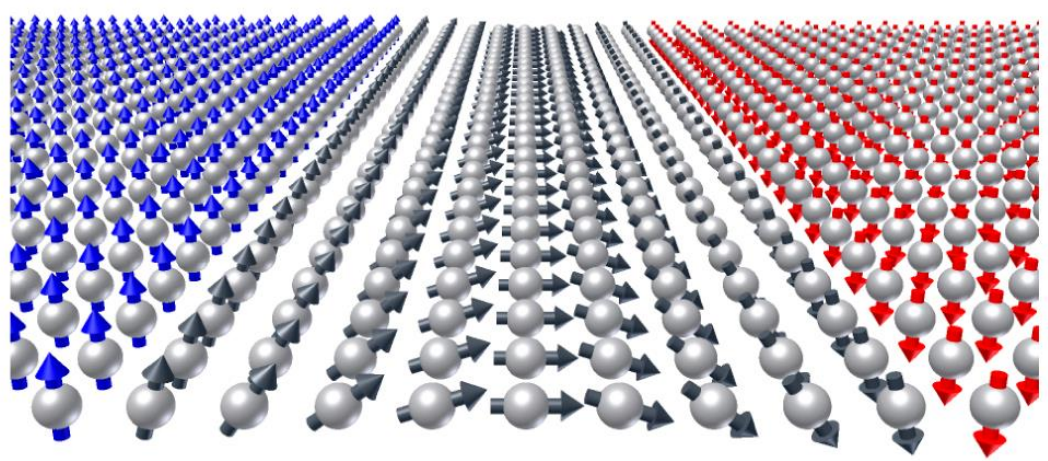
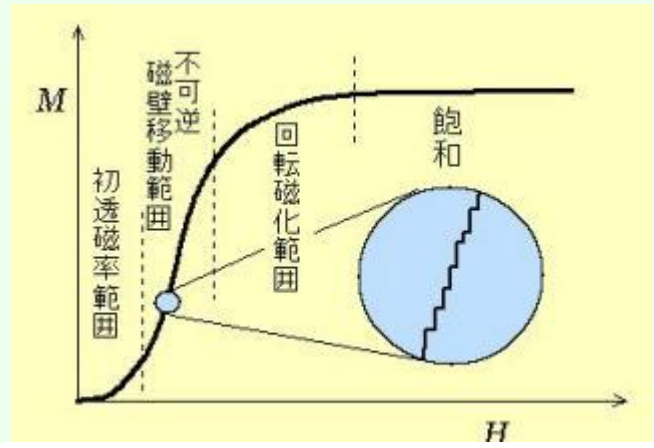
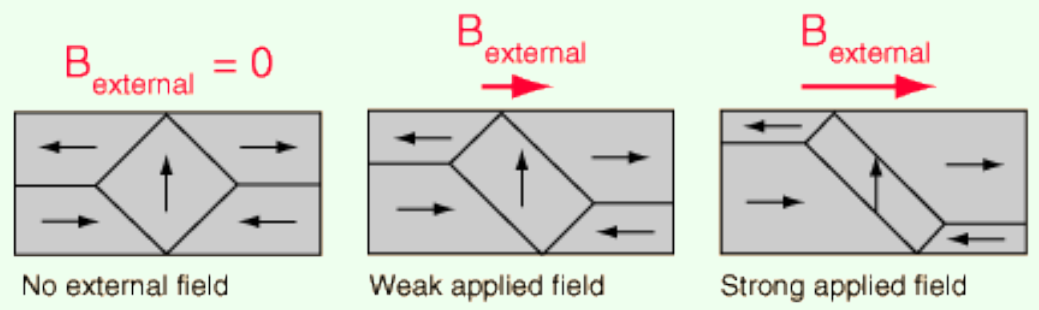
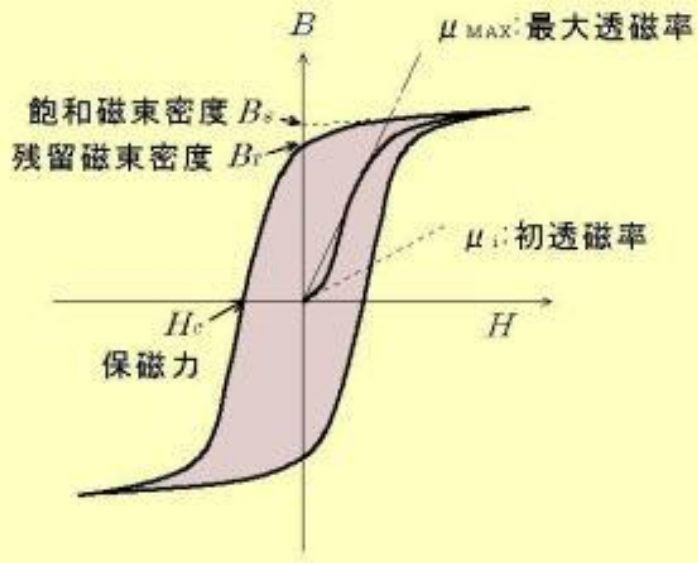
$$\overline{j_n^2} = \overline{\delta J^2} / \Delta f, \quad \overline{e_n^2} = \overline{\delta V^2} / \Delta f$$



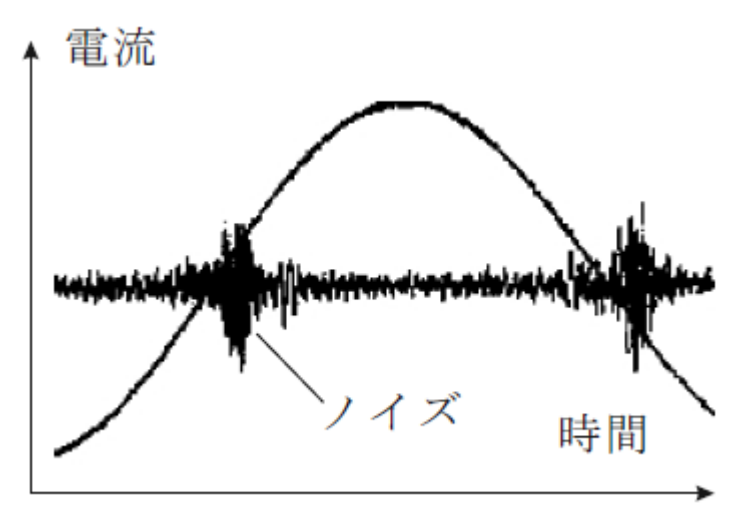
unit of  $\sqrt{\overline{j_n^2}}$ ,  $\sqrt{\overline{e_n^2}}$

$$\text{A} / \sqrt{\text{Hz}}, \quad \text{V} / \sqrt{\text{Hz}}$$

# Other noises: Barkhausen noise



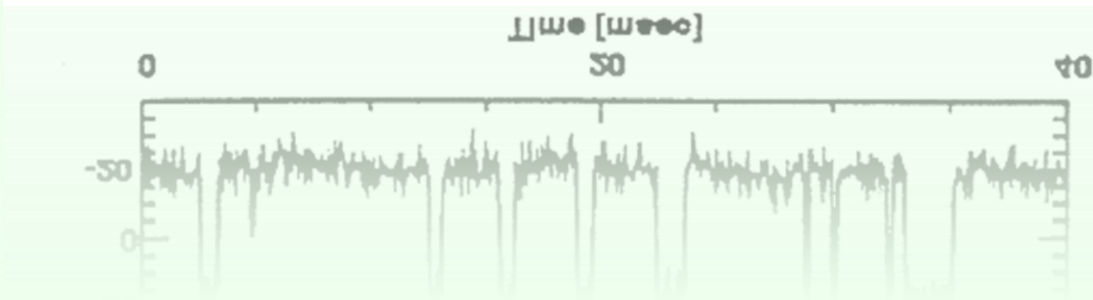
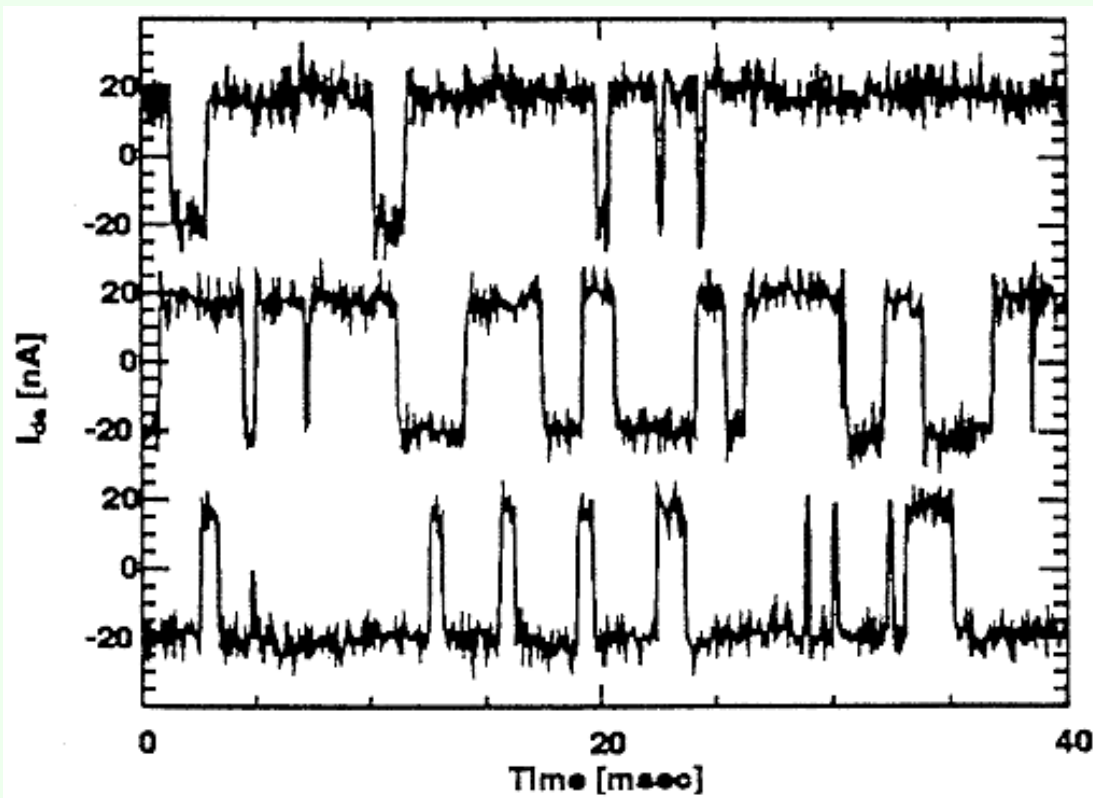
Domain 1                      Domain wall                      Domain 2





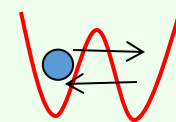
# Popcorn noise

Popcorn noise, Burst noise

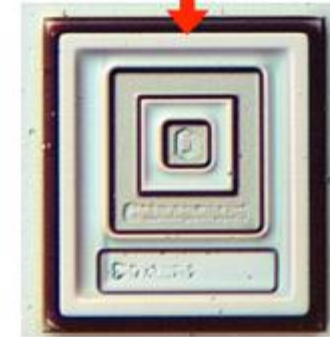


pn junction

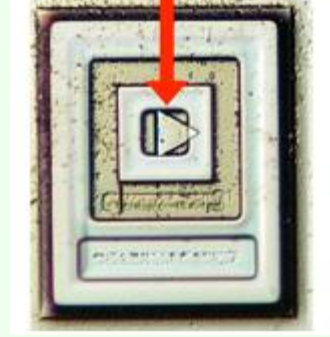
Two-level system



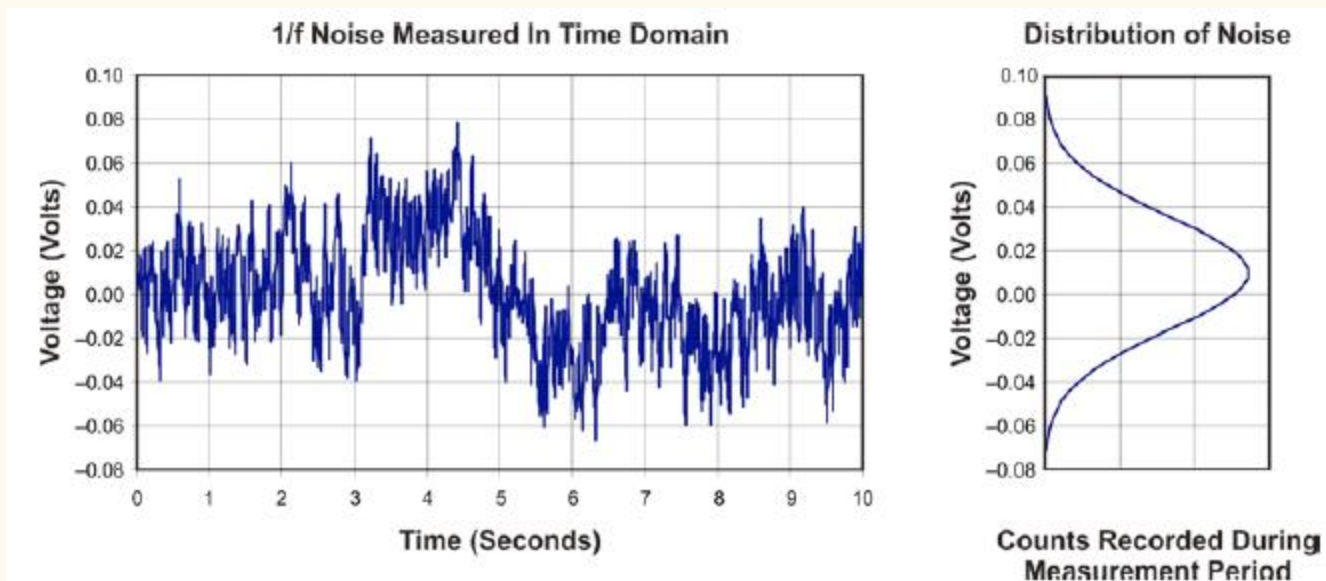
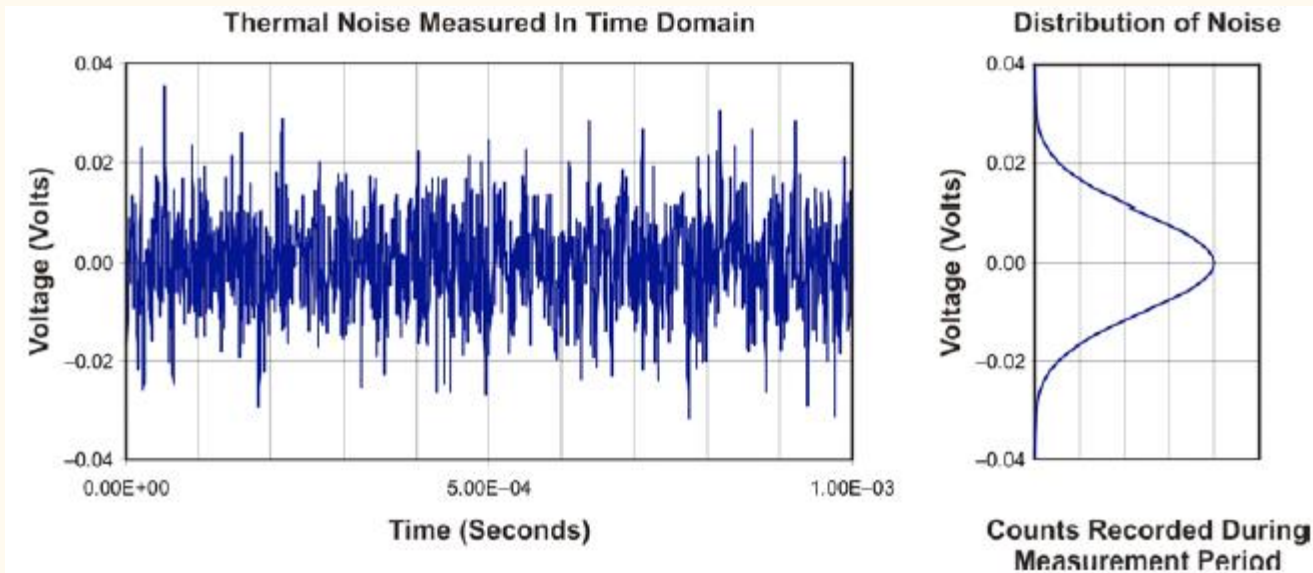
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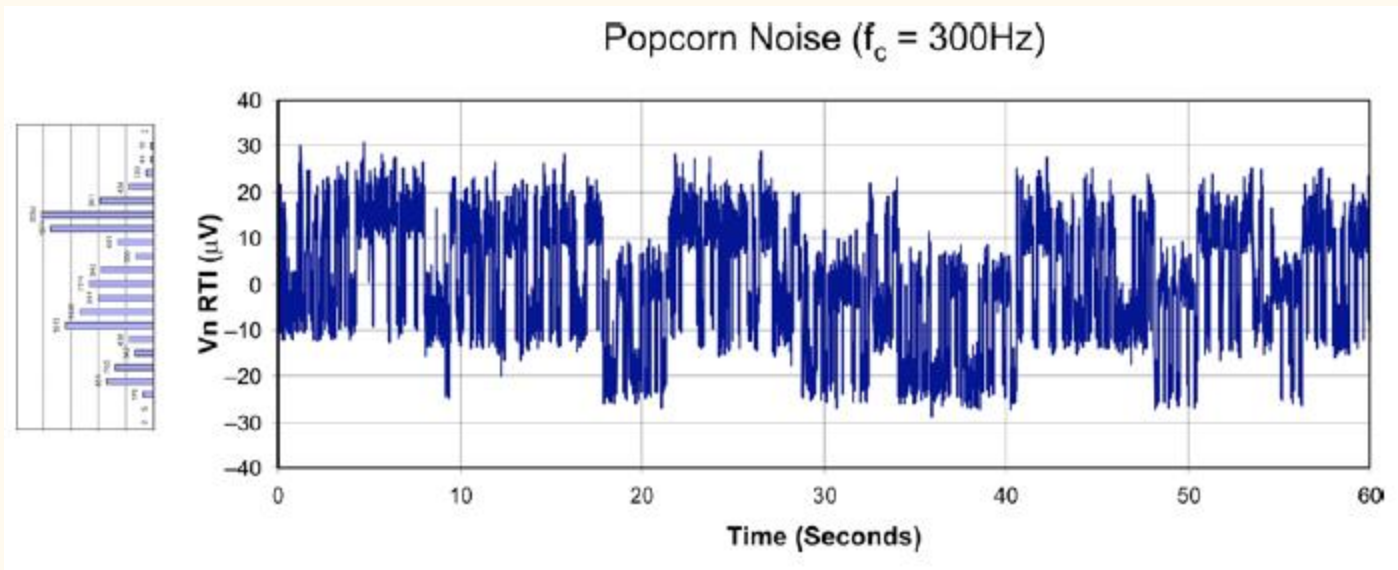
Crystalline Defect on Base to Emitter Junction



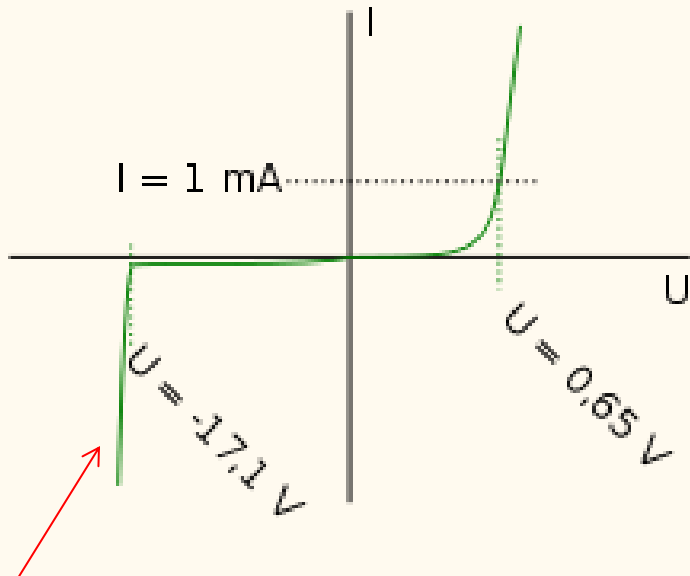
# Amplitude distributions of random-type noises



# Amplitude distribution of popcorn noise



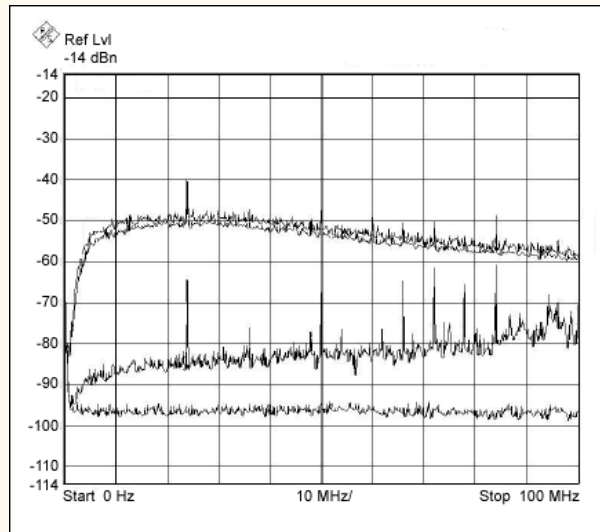
# Avalanche noise



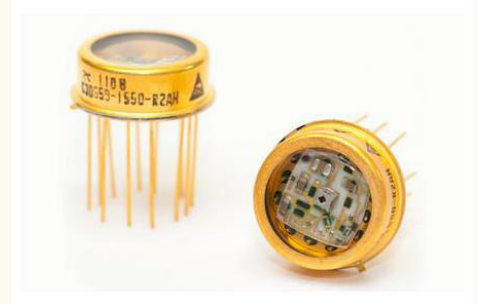
avalanche or Zener breakdown



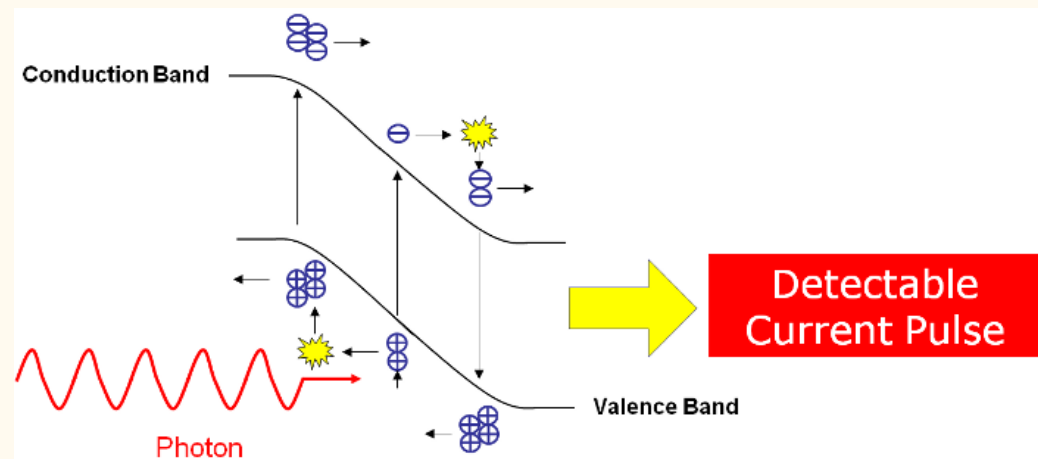
Zener voltage standard diode



white noise



Avalanche Photo-Diode (APD)



## 6.2 Noises from Amplifiers

Amplifiers: the elements have characteristic noises,  
power sources work as noise sources

➔ Noiseless amplifier + Noise source = Amplifier with noise

Power gain  $G_p$

$$e_{\text{intotal}}^2 = j_n^2 R^2 + e_R^2 + e_a^2 = e_{\text{out}}^2 / G_p$$

Signal to noise ratio: **S/N ratio**

**Noise Figure:**  $NF = 10 \log_{10} \frac{(S/N)_{\text{in}}}{(S/N)_{\text{out}}} = 10 \log_{10} \frac{S_{\text{in}} N_{\text{out}}}{S_{\text{out}} N_{\text{in}}}$

$$N_{\text{out}} = G_p \overline{e_N^2}$$

$$NF = 10 \log_{10} \frac{S_{\text{in}} G_p \overline{e_N^2}}{S_{\text{in}} G_p \overline{e_R^2}} = 10 \log_{10} \frac{\overline{e_N^2}}{\overline{e_R^2}} = 10 \log_{10} \frac{\overline{e_n^2} + \overline{e_R^2} + \overline{j_n^2 R^2}}{\overline{e_R^2}}$$

## 6.2.2 Noise impedance matching

Noise temperature and  
matched source impedance

$$T_a = \frac{\sqrt{e_n^2 j_n^2}}{2k_B}, \quad R_{bs} = \sqrt{\frac{e_n^2}{j_n^2}}$$

Output noise temperature:

$$T_n = \left(1 + \frac{\operatorname{Re}(1/Z_i)}{\operatorname{Re}(1/Z_s)}\right) \frac{T_a}{2\operatorname{Re}Z} \left(\frac{|Z|^2}{R_{bs}} + R_{bs}\right), \quad \frac{1}{Z} \equiv \frac{1}{Z_i} + \frac{1}{Z_s}$$

Minimize  $T_n$ :  $Z_i = \frac{1}{R_{bs}^{-1} - Z_s^{-1}}$  Noise matching condition

$$T_n = \left(1 + \frac{\operatorname{Re}(1/Z_i)}{\operatorname{Re}(1/Z_s)}\right) T_a$$

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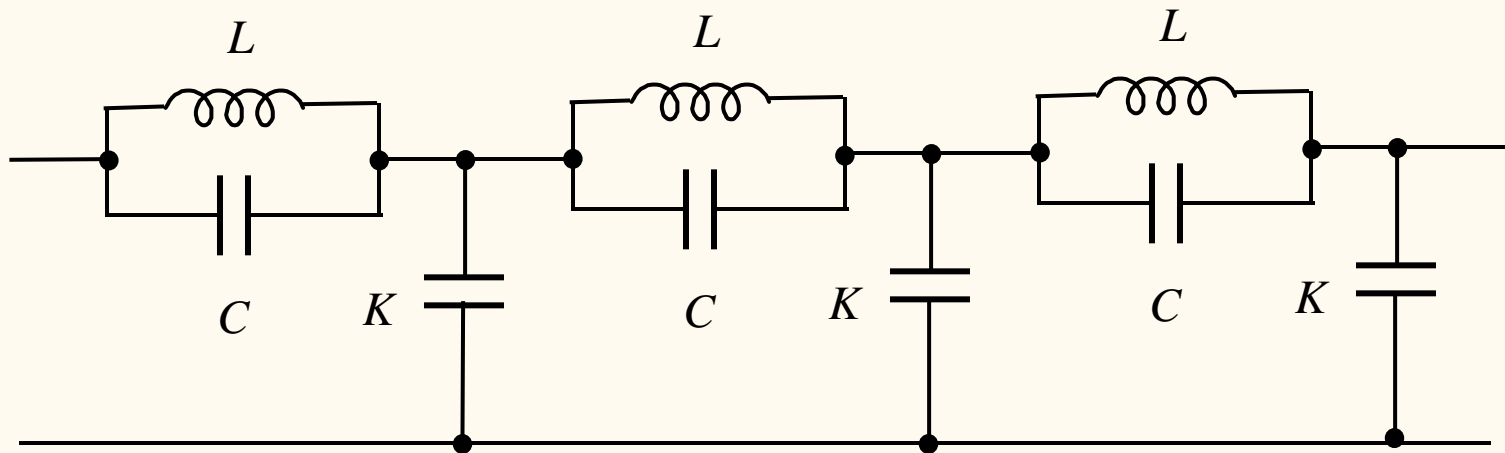
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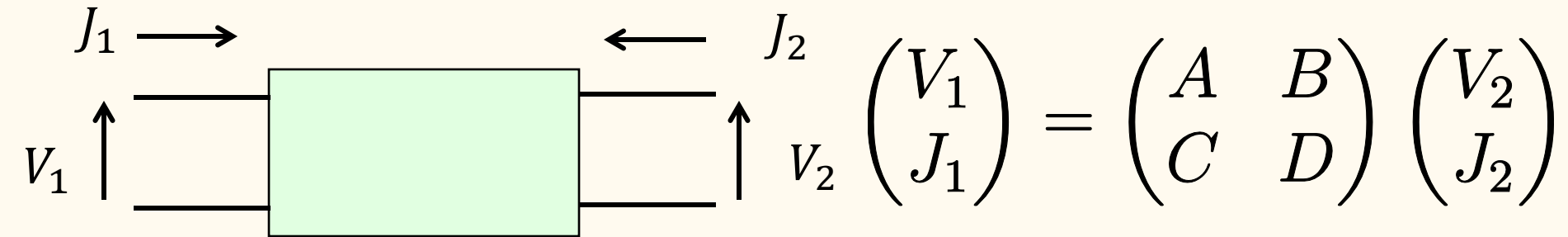
# Exercise 5-1

Obtain the dispersion relation in the following transmission line.



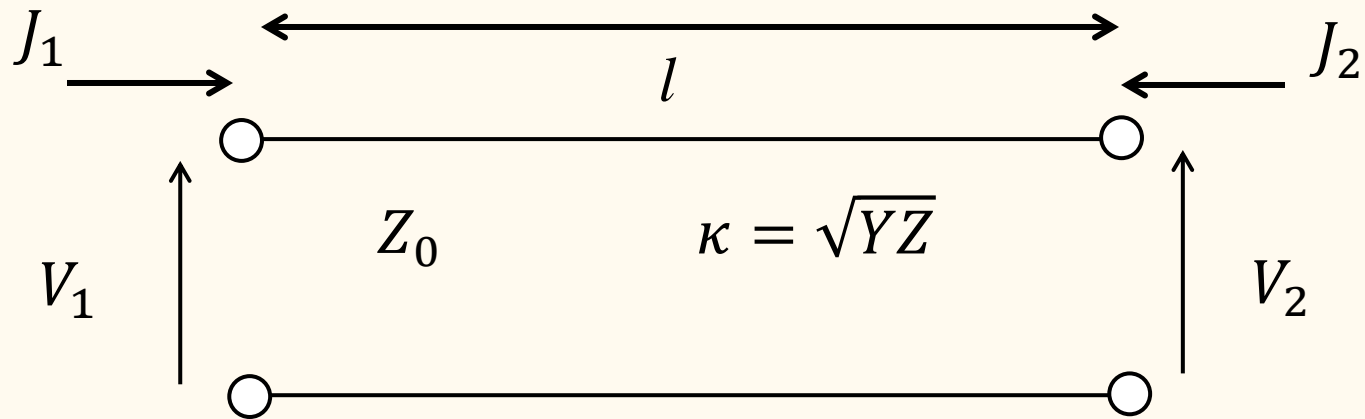


# Exercise 5-2



Remember F-matrix (cascade matrix) defined above.

Write down the F-matrix form of the transmission line shown below.



## Exercise 5-3

Show that the power spectrum  $G(f)$  of voltage noise across the impedance

$$Z(f) = R(f) + iY(f)$$

is given as

$$G(f) = 4R(f)k_{\text{B}}T.$$