SQUID as a shot noise thermometer.

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Abstract

A Squid at the end of a transmission line is used as a Shot Noise Thermometry. This is done by applying a DC current larger than the critical current across the squid. For larger currents, the resistance of the squid becomes linear. The squid can then be used as a shot noise sample to calibrate the gain and the noise temperature of the circuit.

$$S_I(f, V, T, R) = \frac{2k_B T}{R} \left[\frac{eV + hf}{2k_B T} \coth\left(\frac{eV + hf}{2k_B T}\right) + \frac{eV - hf}{2k_B T} \coth\left(\frac{eV - hf}{2k_B T}\right) \right]$$
(1)

For a digitizer with a bandwidth B and a gain G the Power is equal to:

$$P(f, V, T, R) = GB \left[k_B T n(f) + \left(\frac{Z_0}{Z_0 + R} \right)^2 S_I(f, V, T, R) \right]$$
 (2)

$$Tn(f) = \left[T_{nc}(1 - |T|^2) + \frac{T_{nw}}{G_L}\right]$$
 (3)
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Where, the squid resistance is R, Z_0 is the impedance of the lines (50 Ω) and Tn is the noise temperature of Network Chain. T_nc is the noise temperature at the first HEMT amplifier and T_{nw} is the noise temperature of rest of the network.