



## Acoustic subwavelength networks for waveguiding

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## Waveguiding

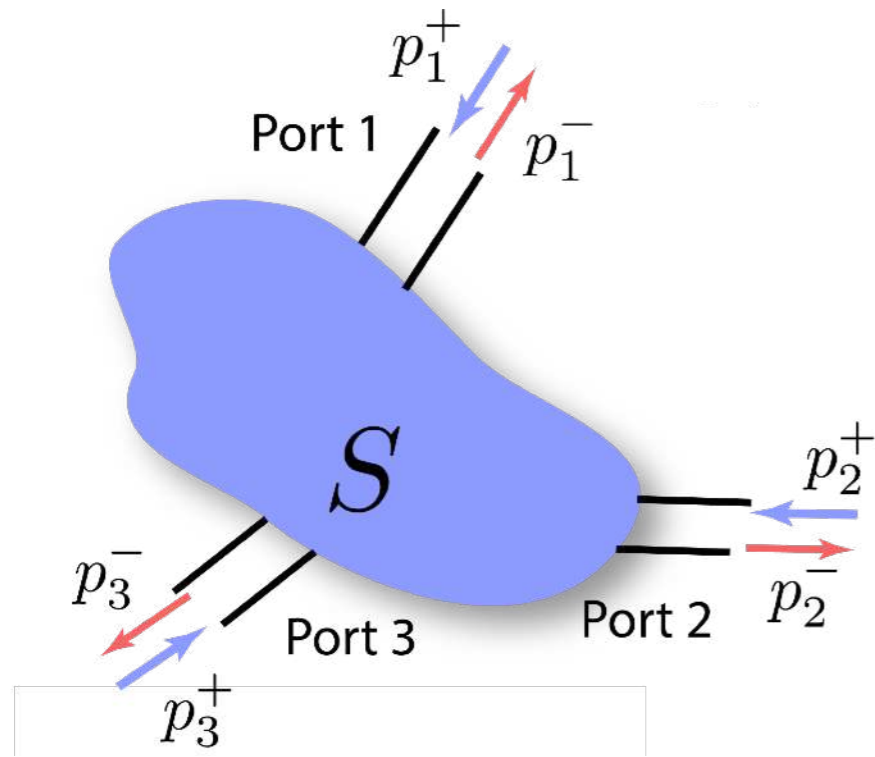
- Great challenge for many physical applications
- Numerous works on the design of multi-port devices
  - power divider and combiner
  - multiplexer systems
- Microwave : power divider and combiner, multiplexer, circulator, filter couplers ...
- Realization by different ways :
  - resonant structures
  - photonic crystals
  - metamaterials,
  - multimode interferences,
  - nonuniform waveguide networks





# 3-port network

## Scattering characterization



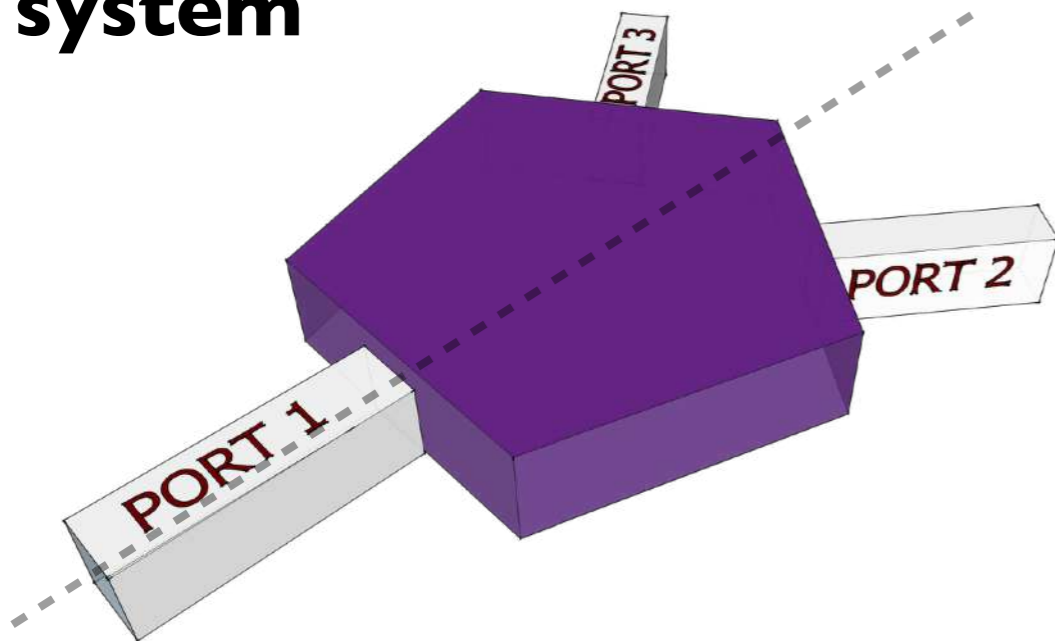
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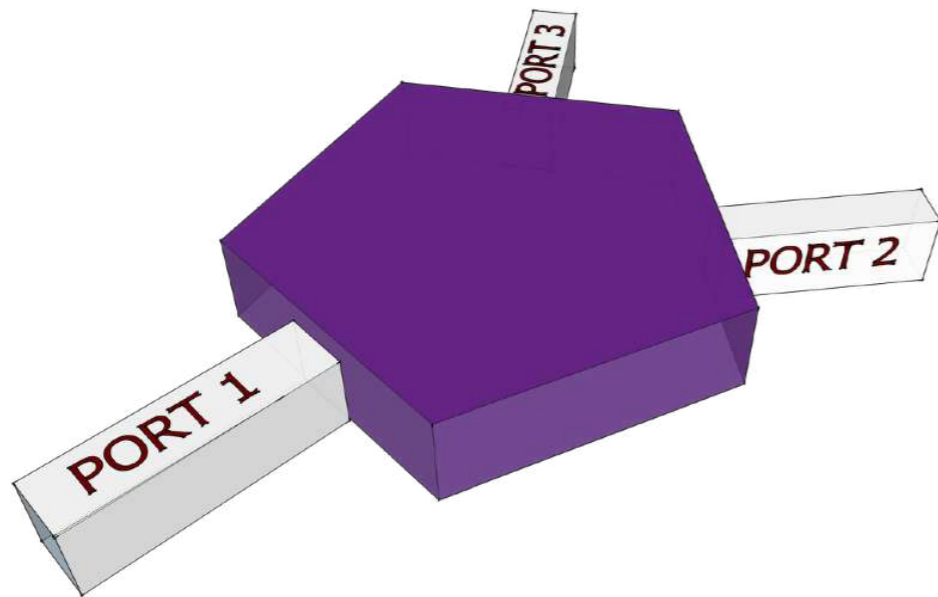
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## Scattering characterization : Mirror symmetry and reciprocal system



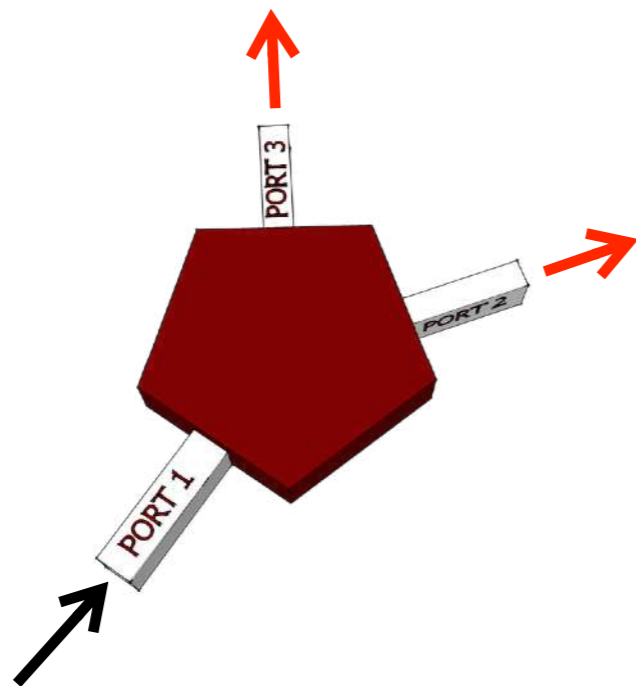
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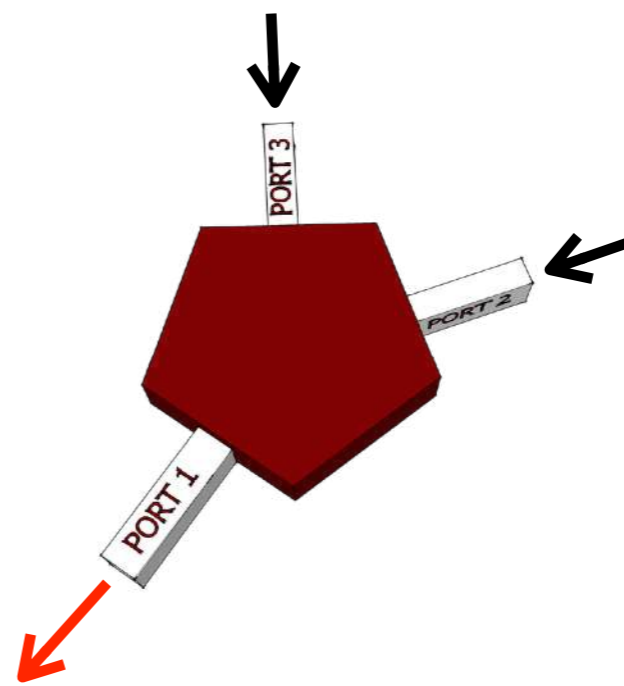


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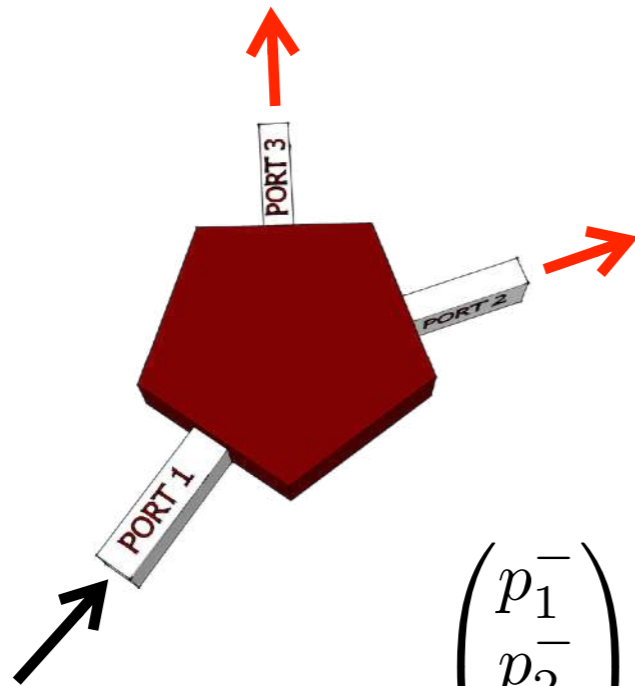


Combiner



Use of the scattering matrix to find the conditions for the combiner or the splitter

## Splitter systems



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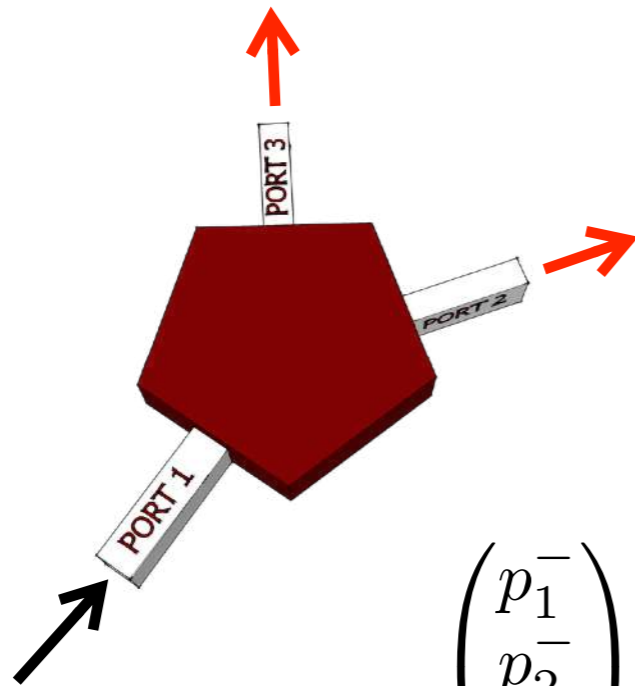
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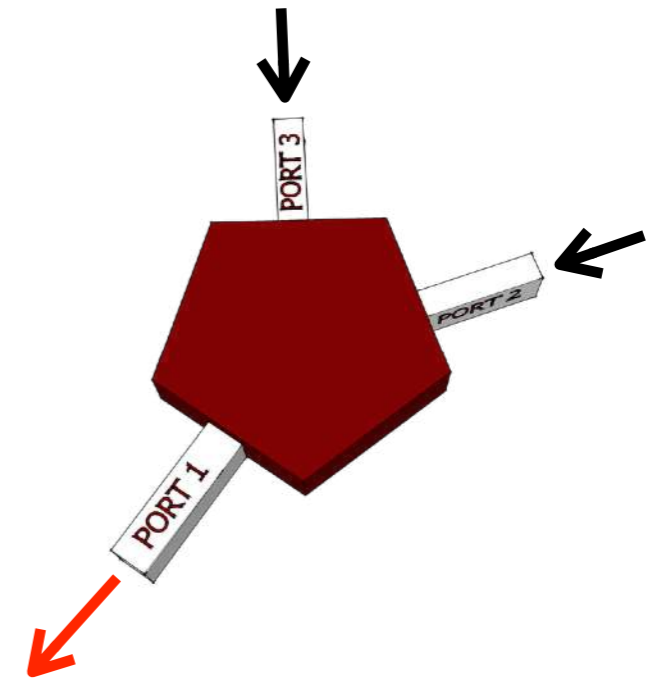
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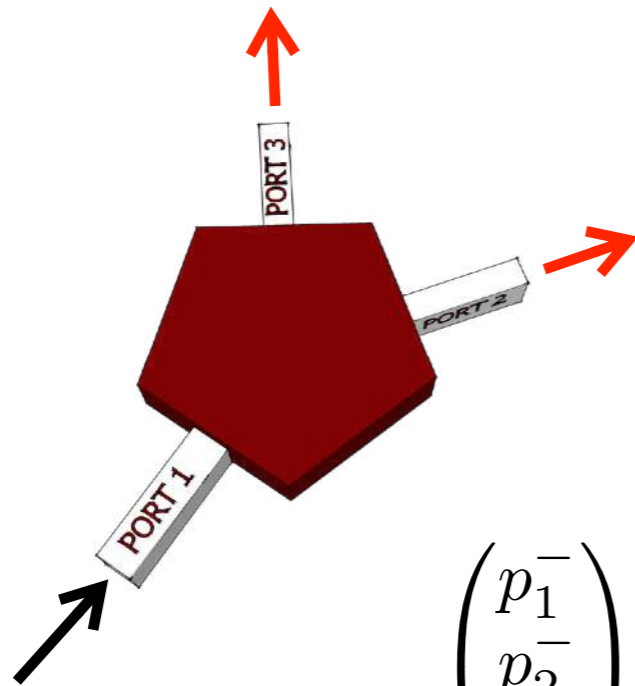


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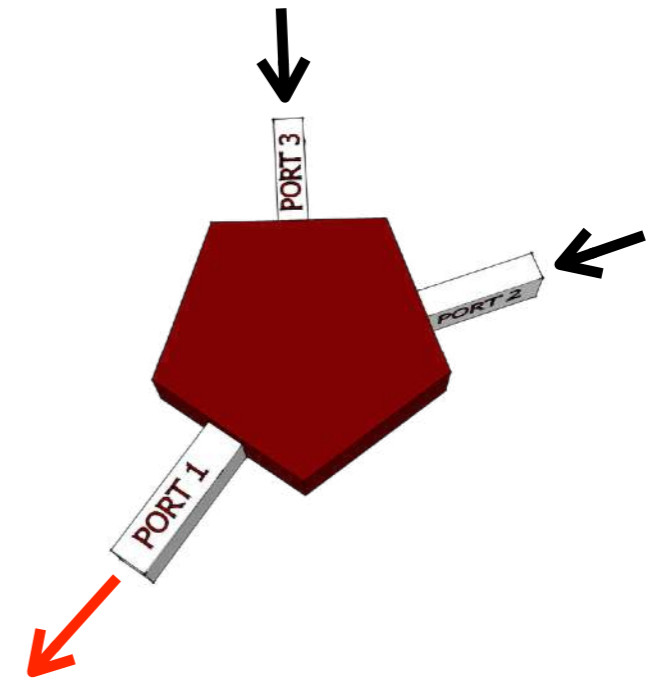
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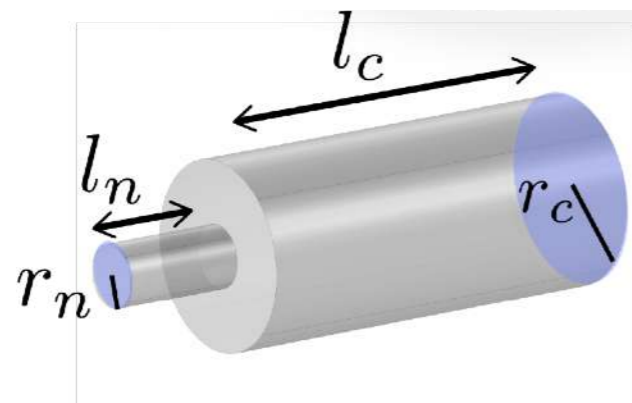
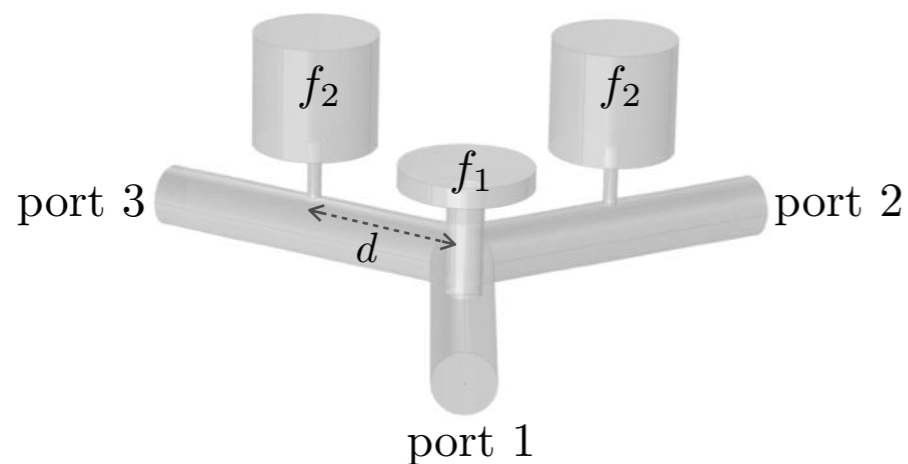
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Time reversal symmetry

## Acoustic subwavelength device



Tuning transmission and reflection by using Induced Transparency Resonance coming from the interaction of the resonances

→ specific frequency  $f^*$

$r, t, r'$  and  $t'$  depend on

$f$  wave frequency

$f_1, f_2$  resonance frequencies

$d$  distance from the Y-connection

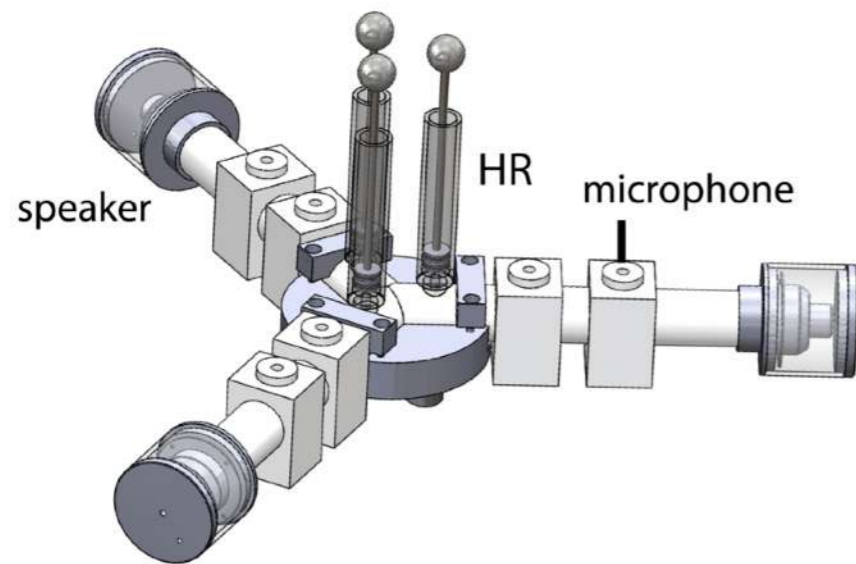
$R_1, R_2$  losses due to the resonators

$\gamma_1, \gamma_2$  coupling between waveguide and resonators

**Analytical expressions**  
using transfer matrix  
single mode propagation

# Acoustic 3-port network

## Experimental results

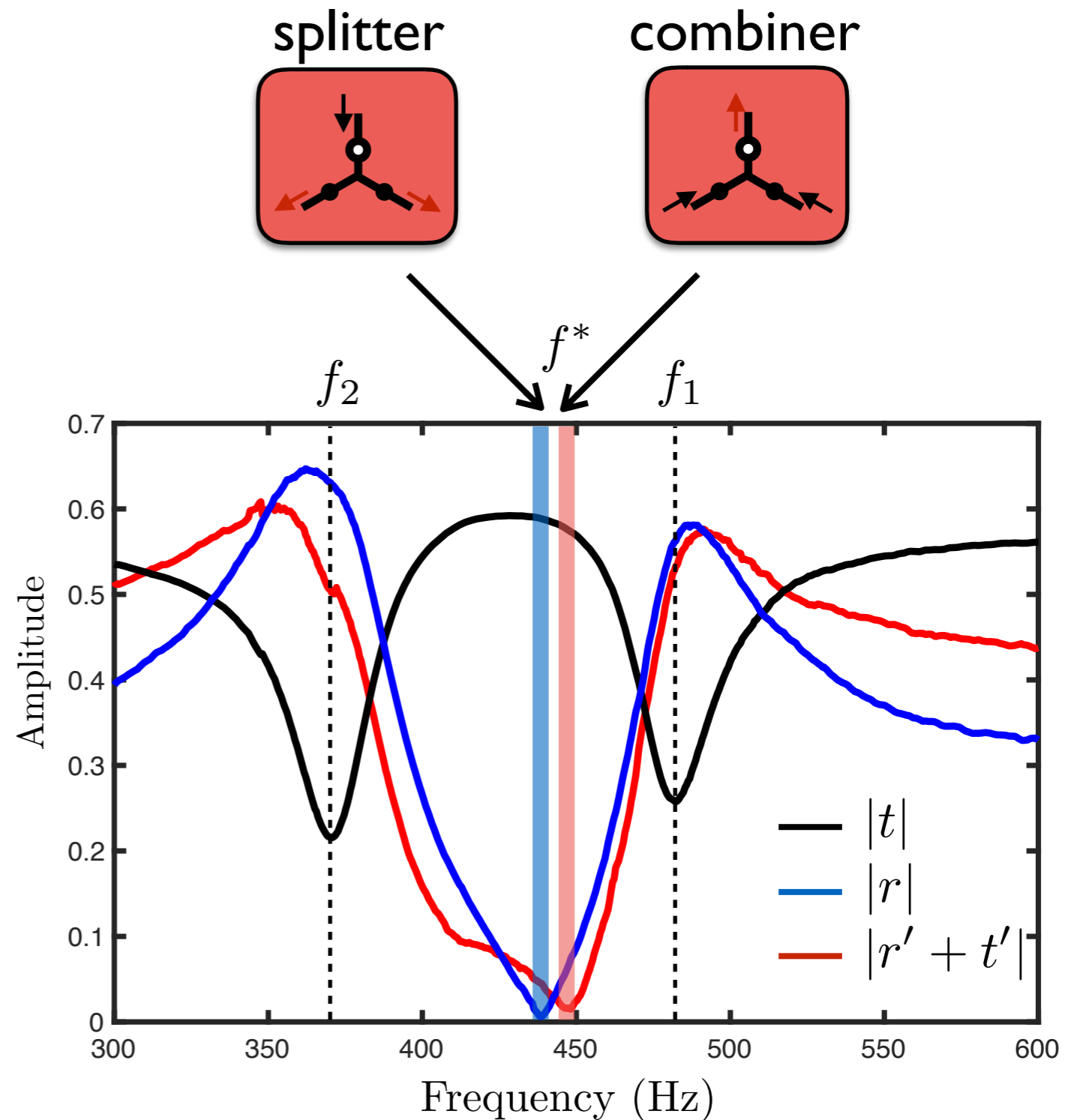


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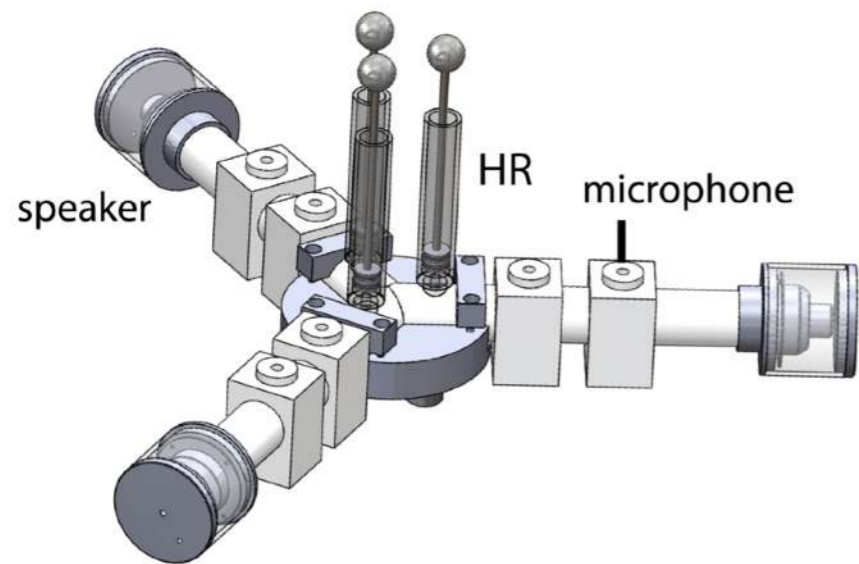
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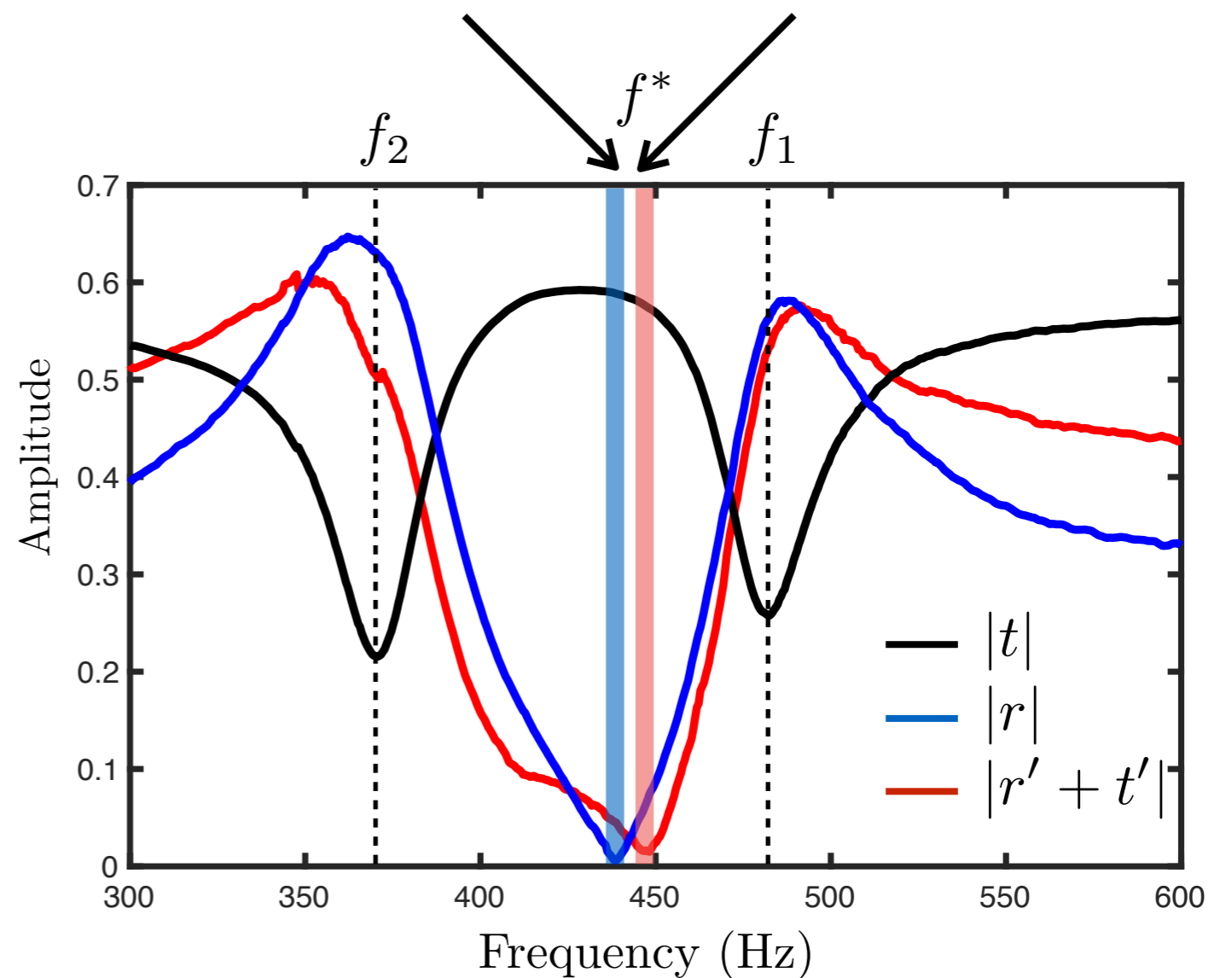
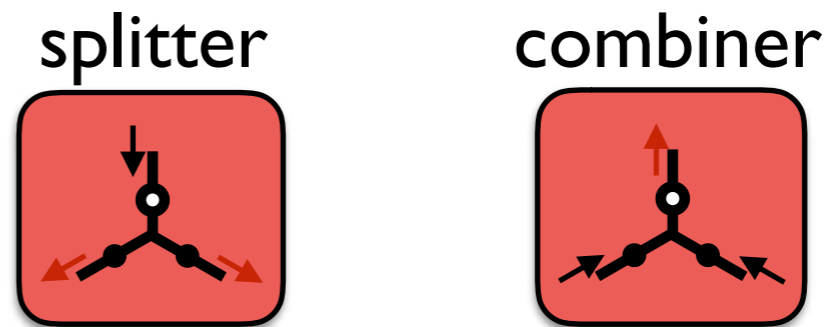
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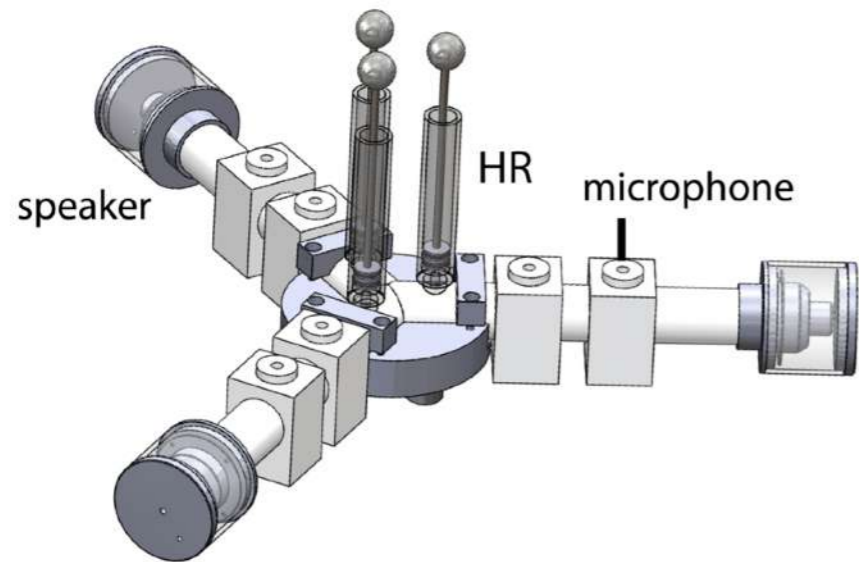
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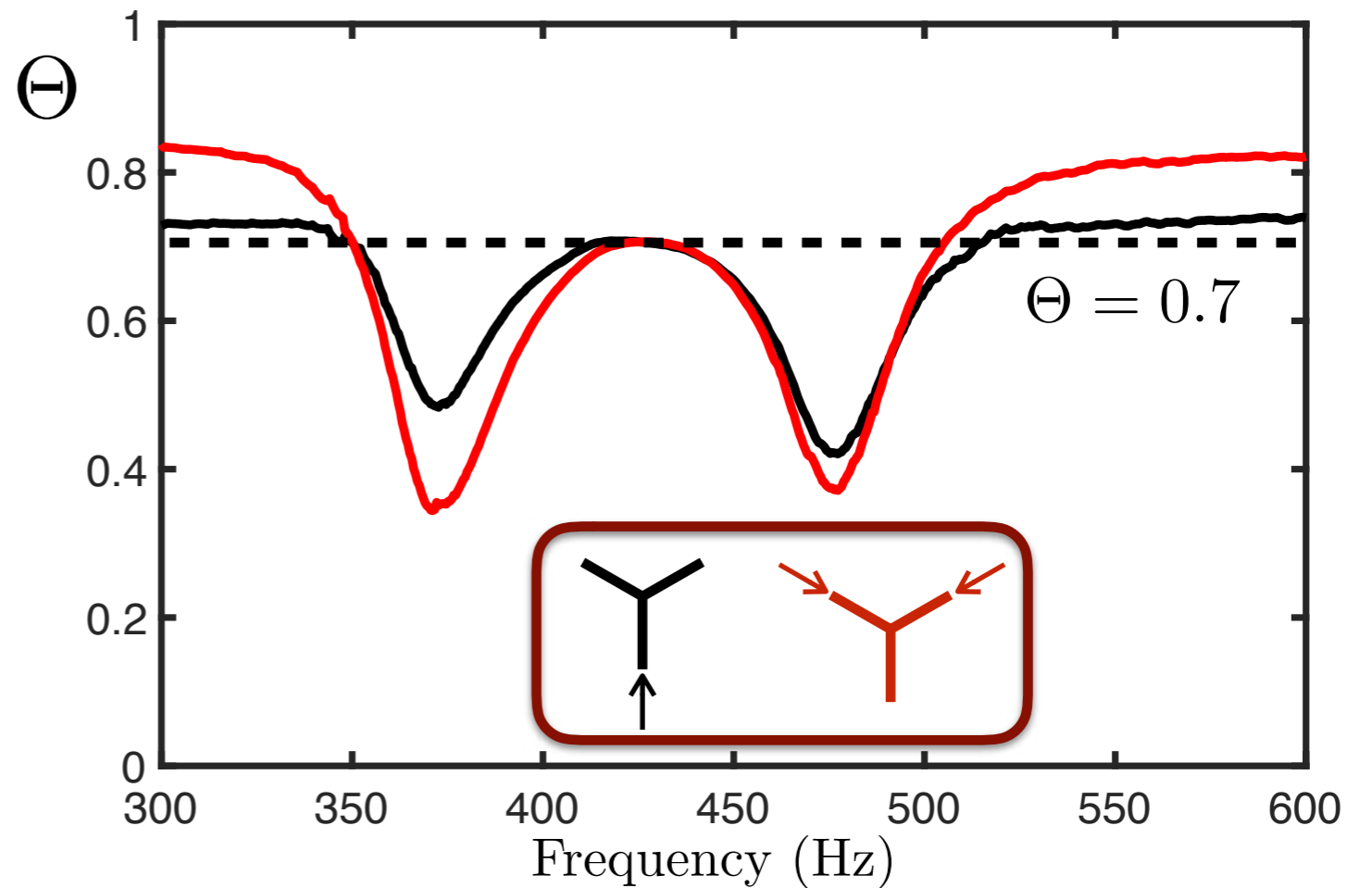
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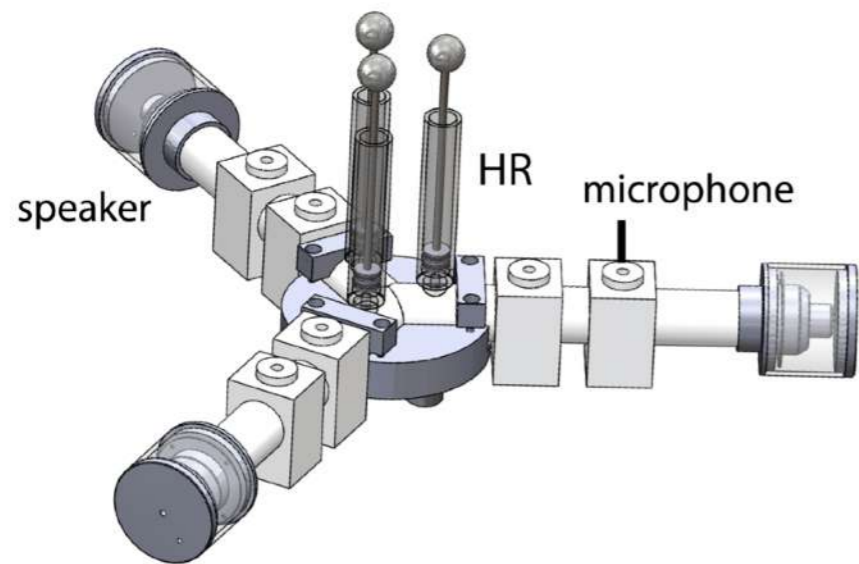
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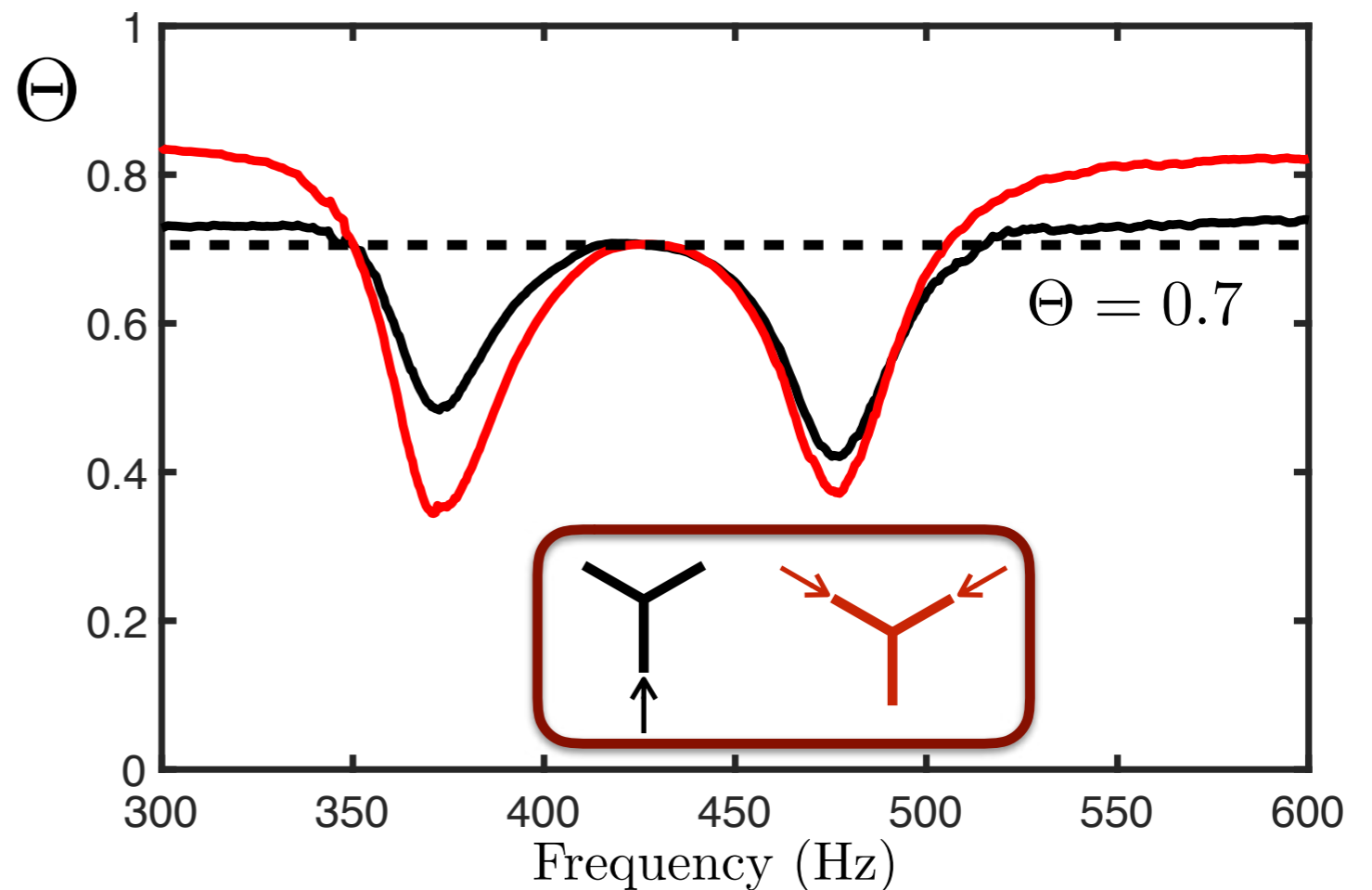
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combiner  $\Theta(f^*) = 2|t(f^*)|^2$



perfect transmission  
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# Acoustic 3-port network : perfect transmission

## Splitter and combiner with perfect transmission

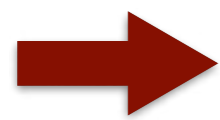
Conditions for splitter and combiner with perfect transmission :

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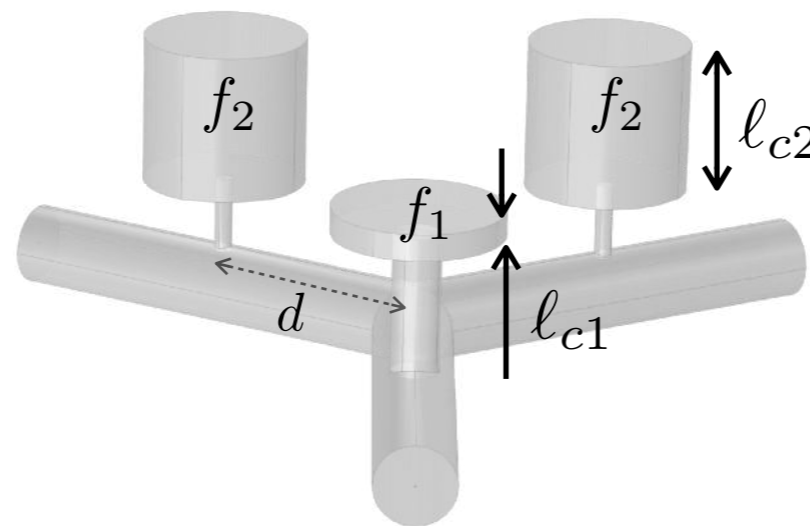
$$\longrightarrow |t'(f^*)| = |r'(f^*)| = 1/2$$



We use an optimization algorithm to achieve all the conditions and find the corresponding configurations (geometry)

Operating frequency

$$f^* = 200 \text{ Hz}$$



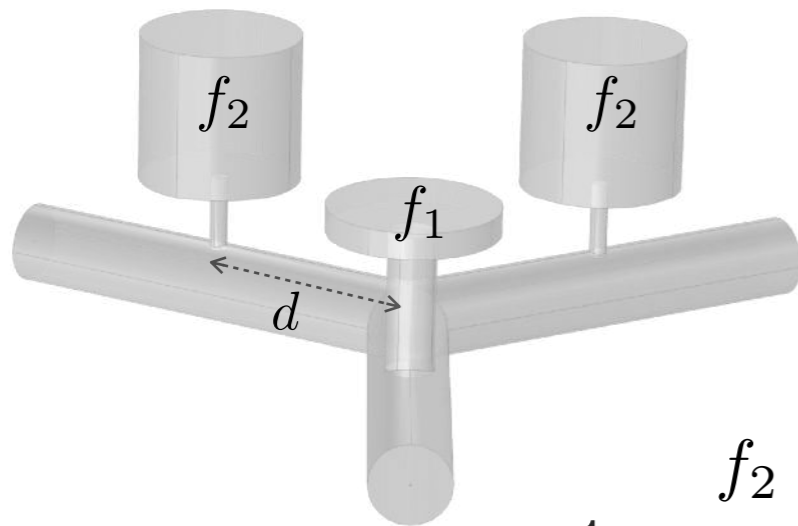
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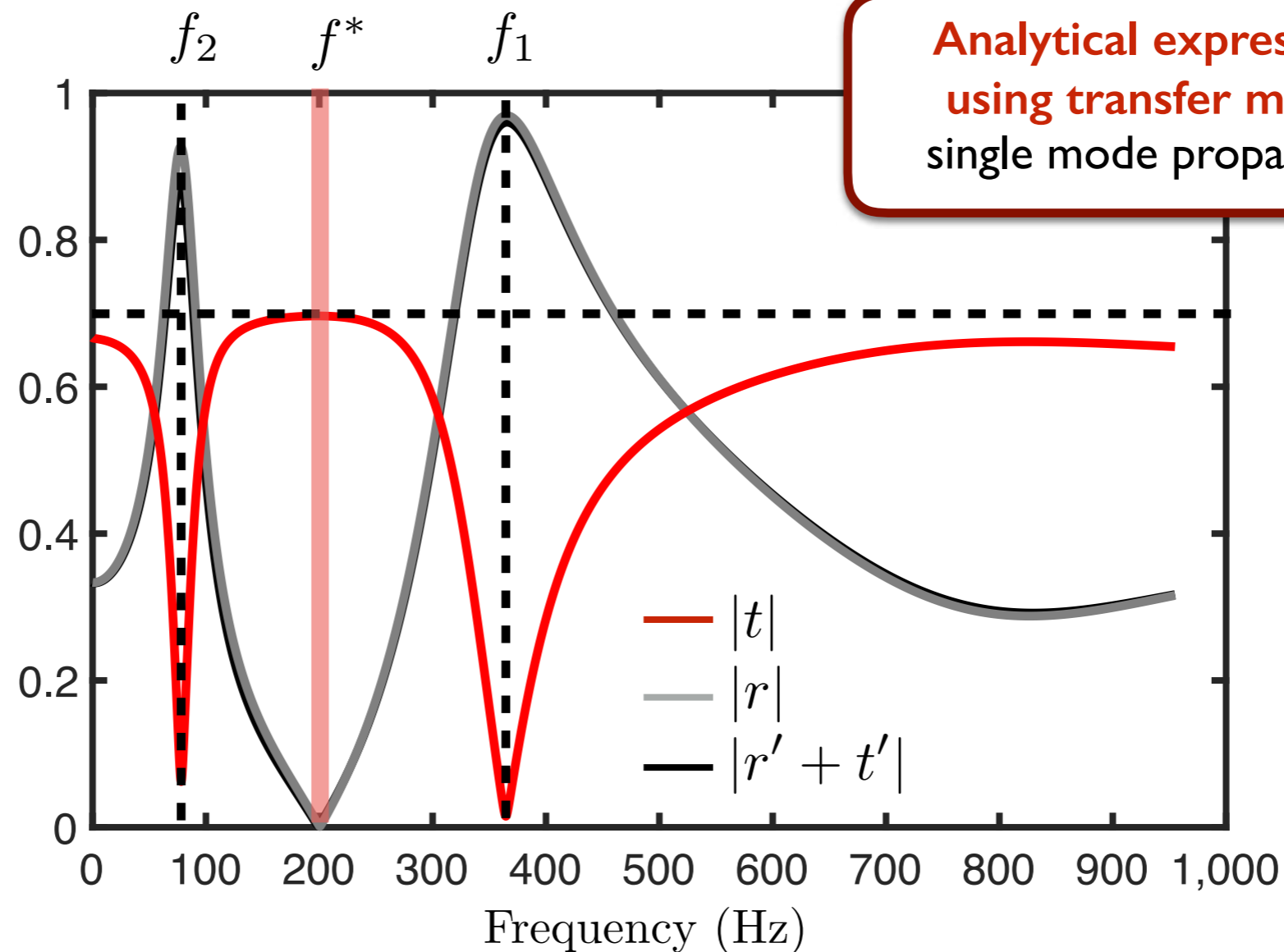
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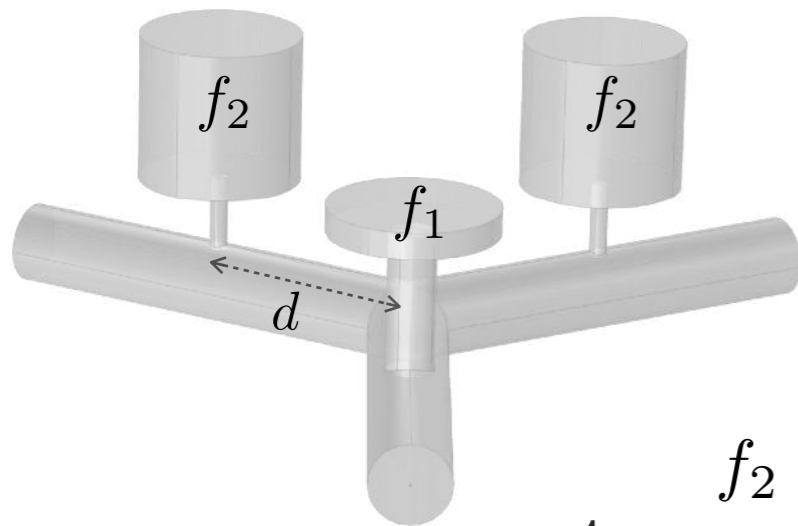


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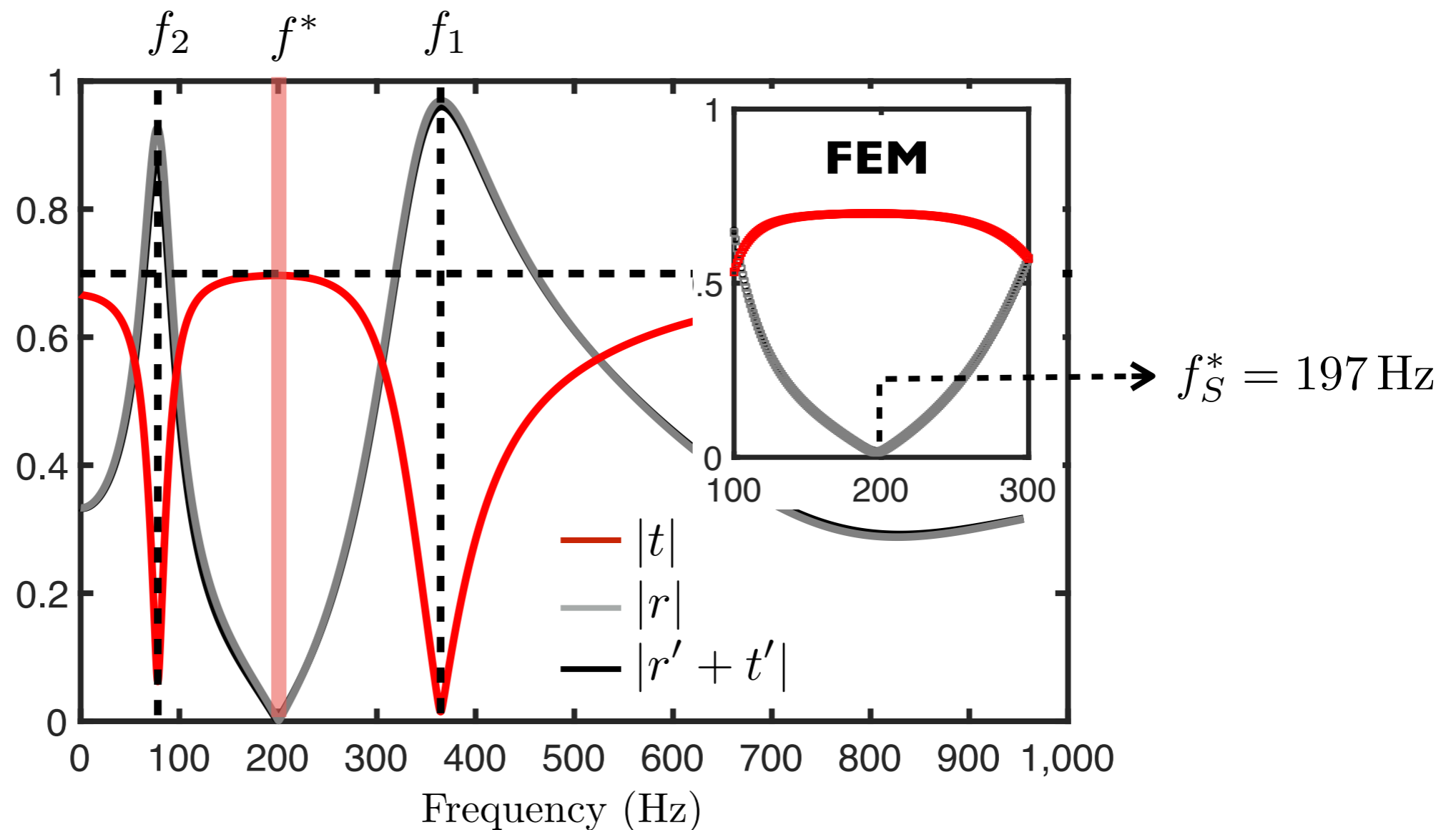
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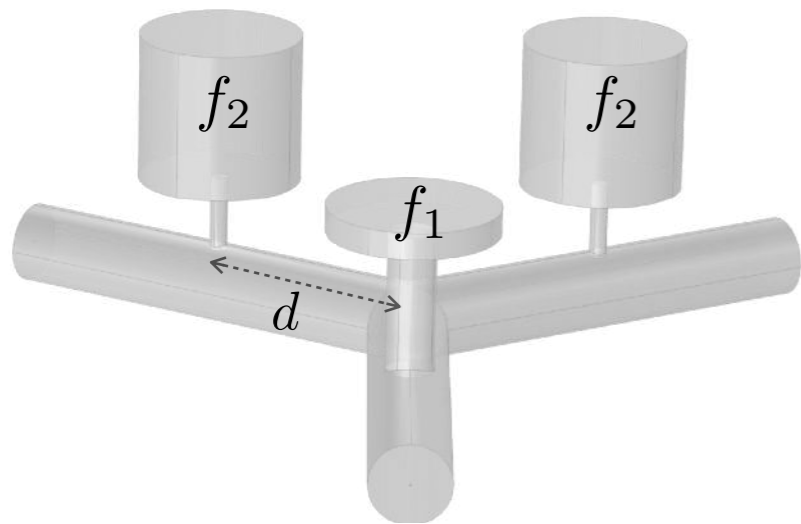
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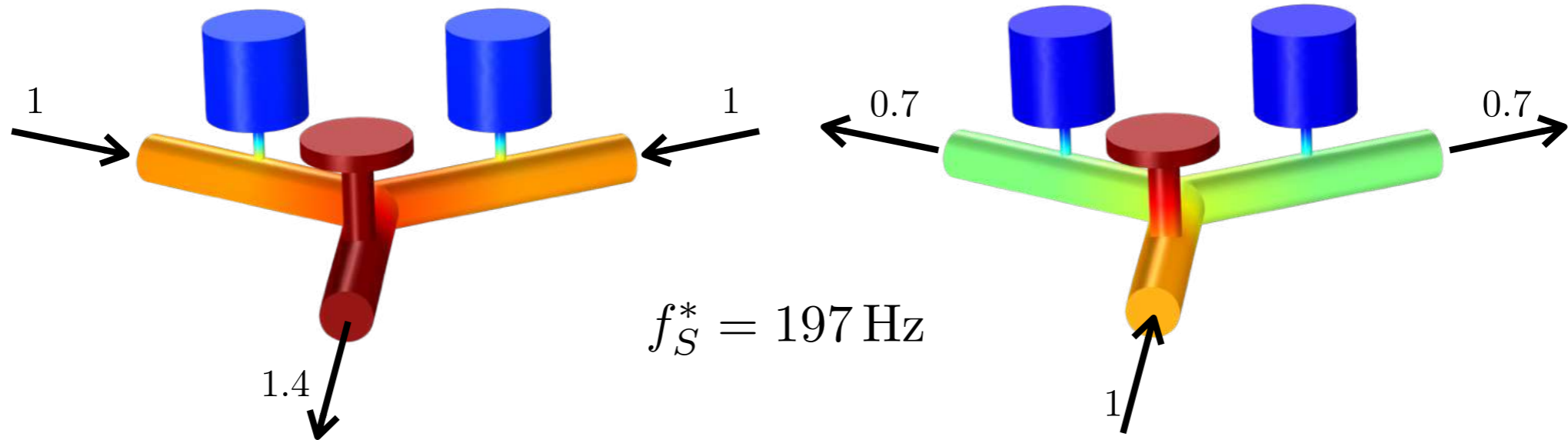
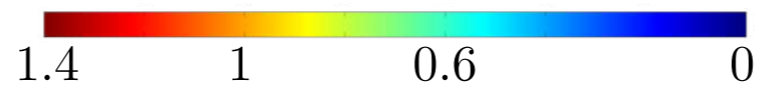
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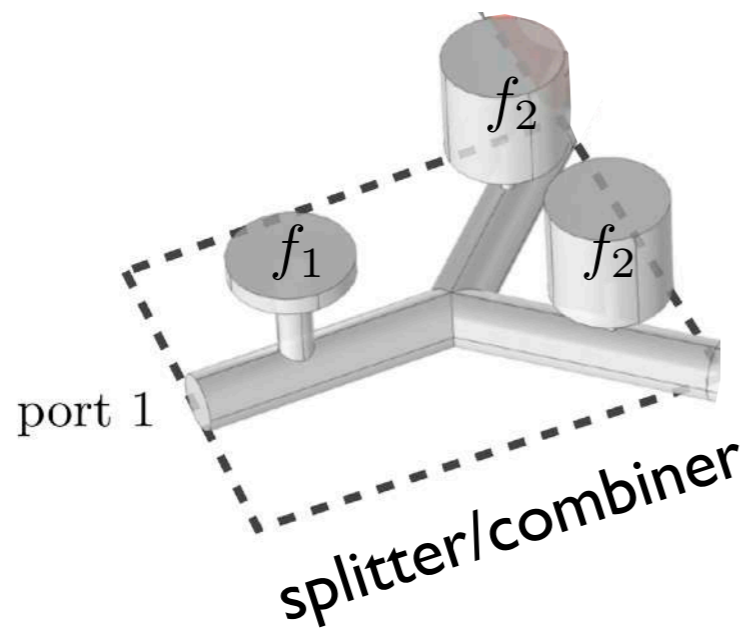


**Combiner**

**Splitter**

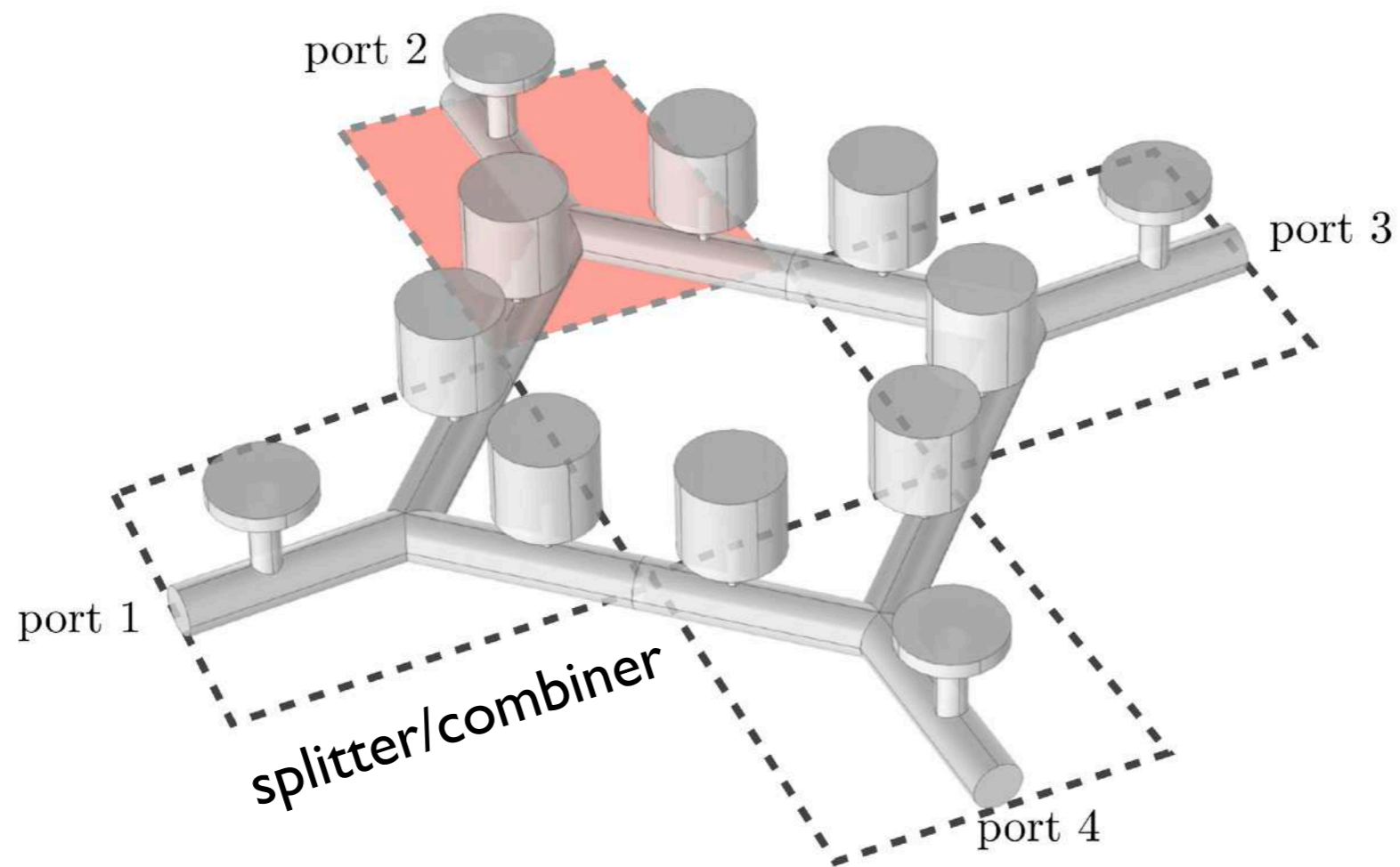
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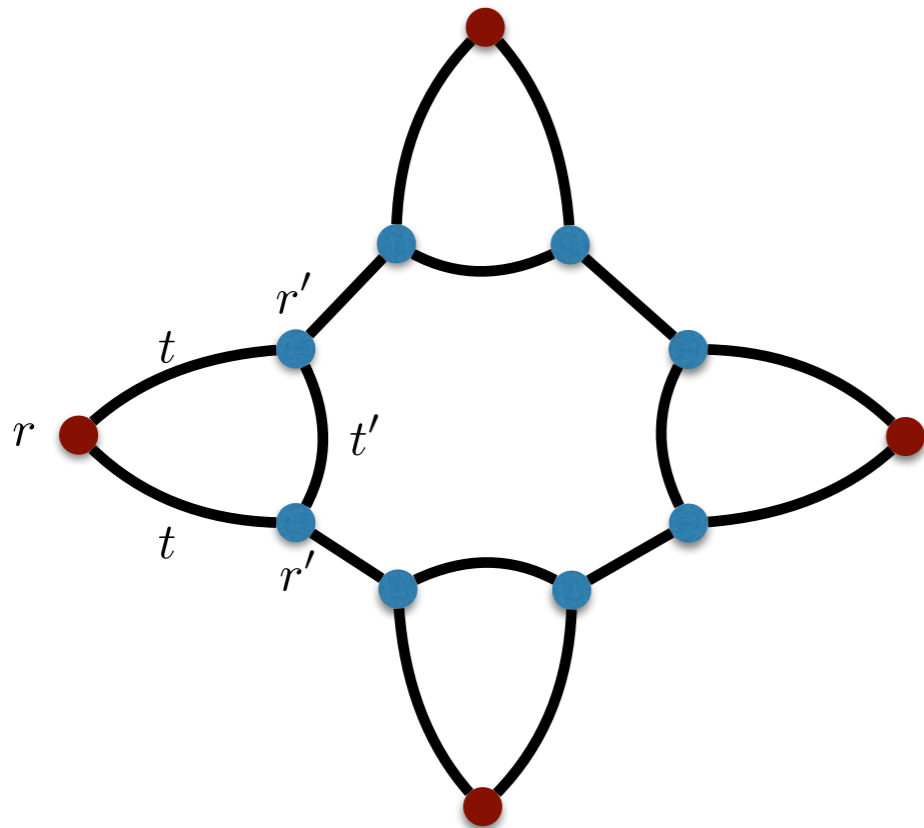
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star product

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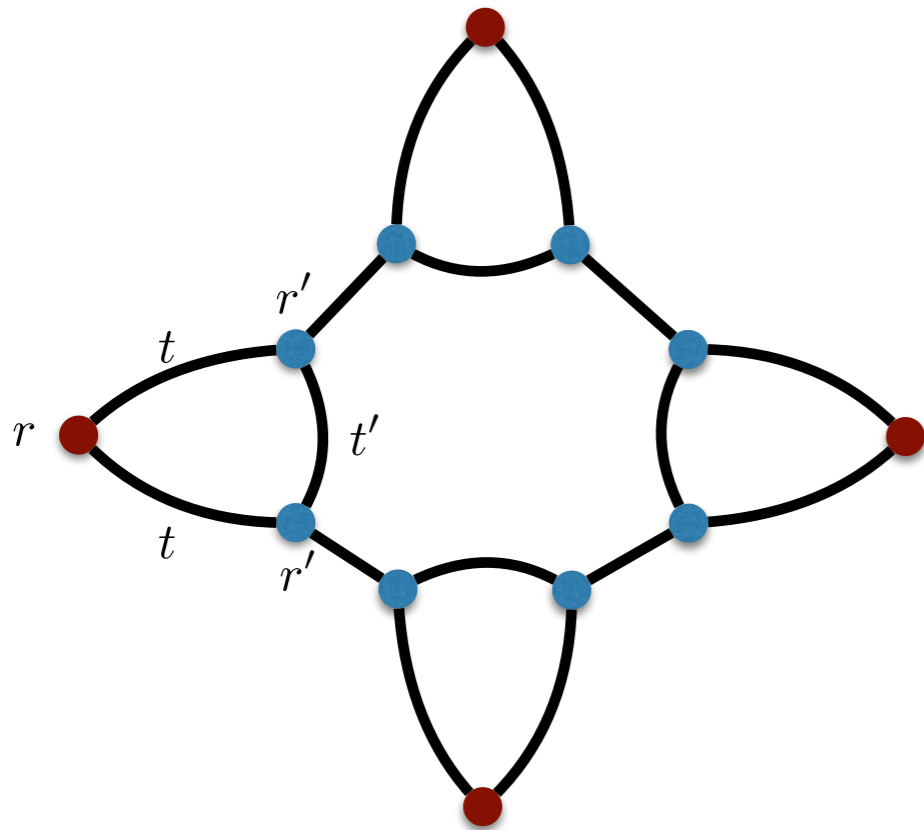
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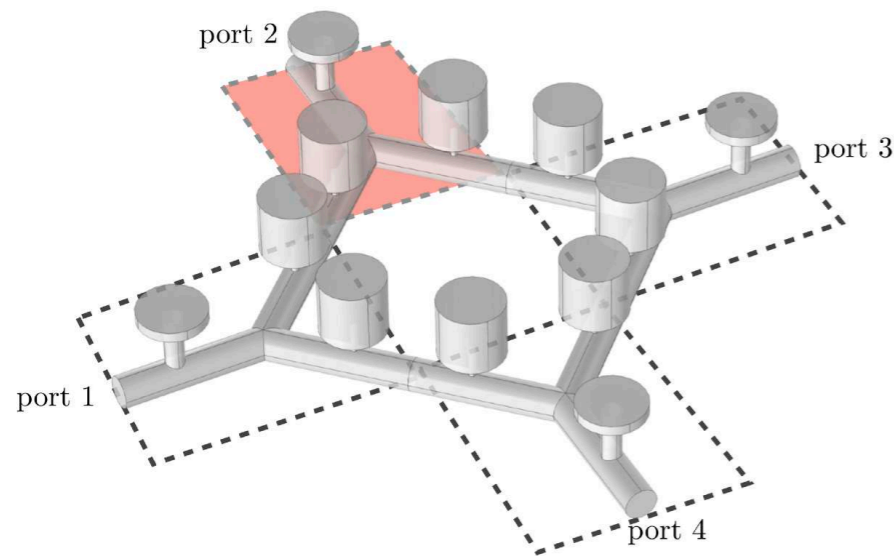
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Wave routing depending on the phase of the input waves :

- orthogonal coupler
- transparency
- turn-right coupler
- turn-left coupler

Assuming splitter/combiner properties for each building block



Scattering matrix

$$S = \frac{1}{2} e^{2i\phi} \begin{pmatrix} i & 1 & -i & 1 \\ 1 & i & 1 & -i \\ -i & 1 & i & 1 \\ 1 & -i & 1 & i \end{pmatrix}$$

$\phi$  : phase of  $t$

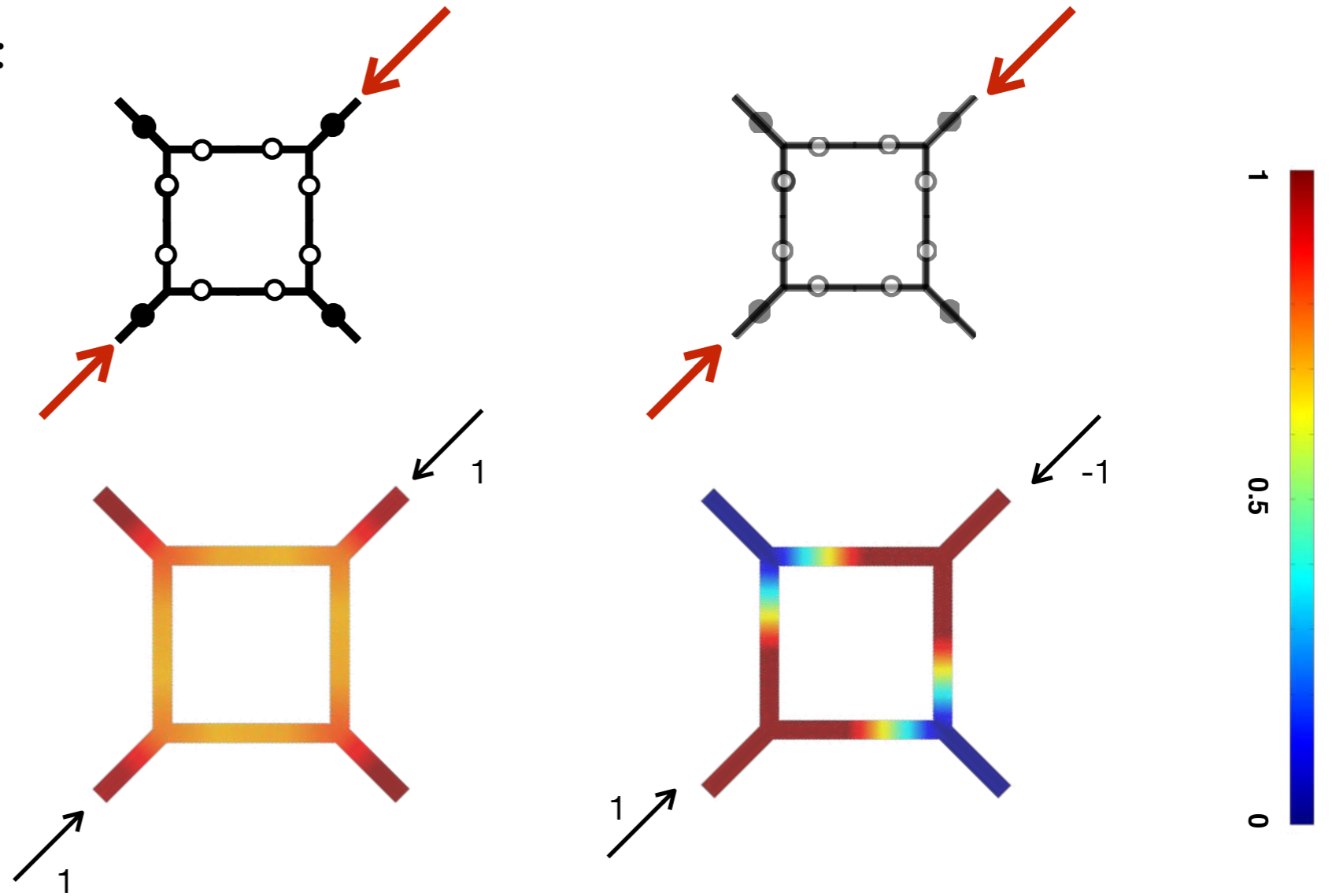
Tuning of  $t' = -i/2$

Operating frequency  $f^*$

# 4-port network for wave routing

Scattering from diagonal ports :

- Same amplitude
- Depending on phase

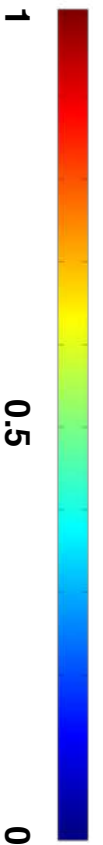
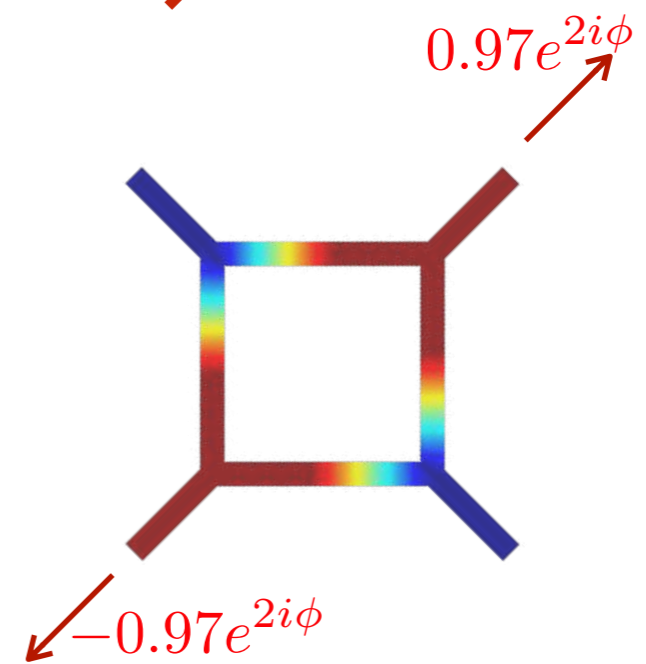
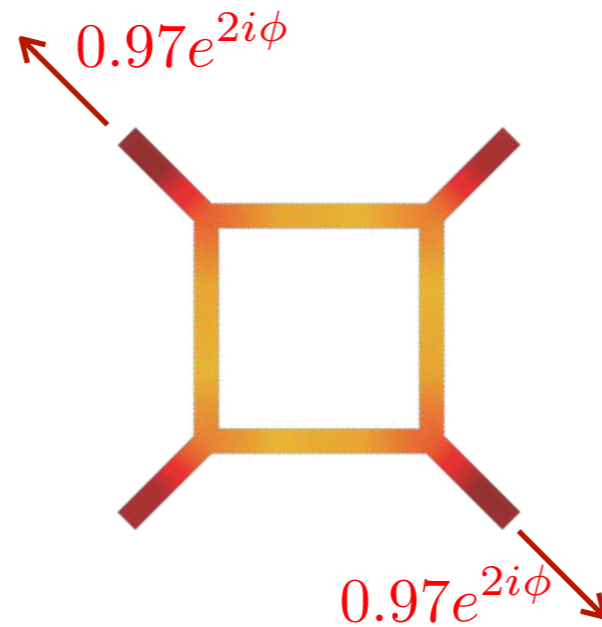
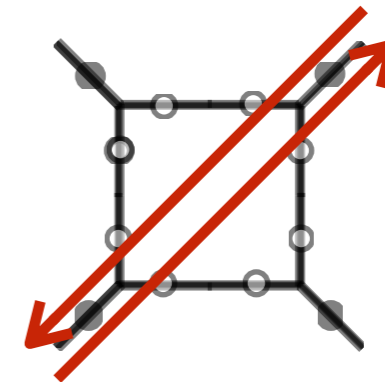
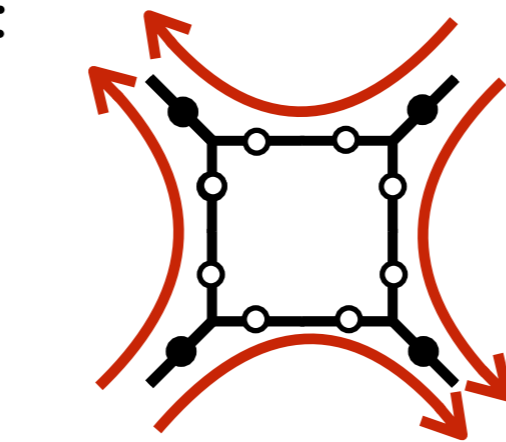




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Orthogonal coupler

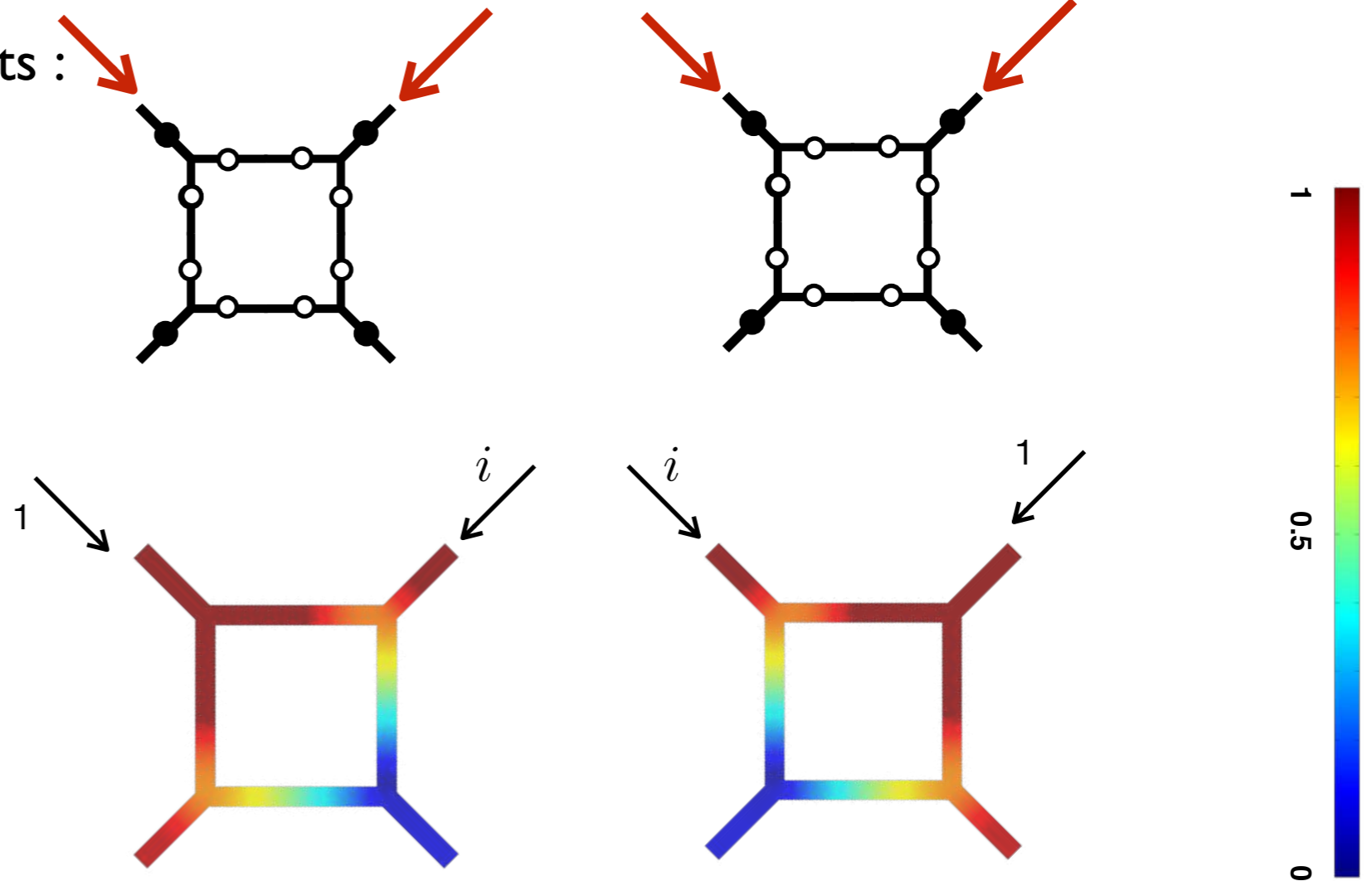
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Transparency

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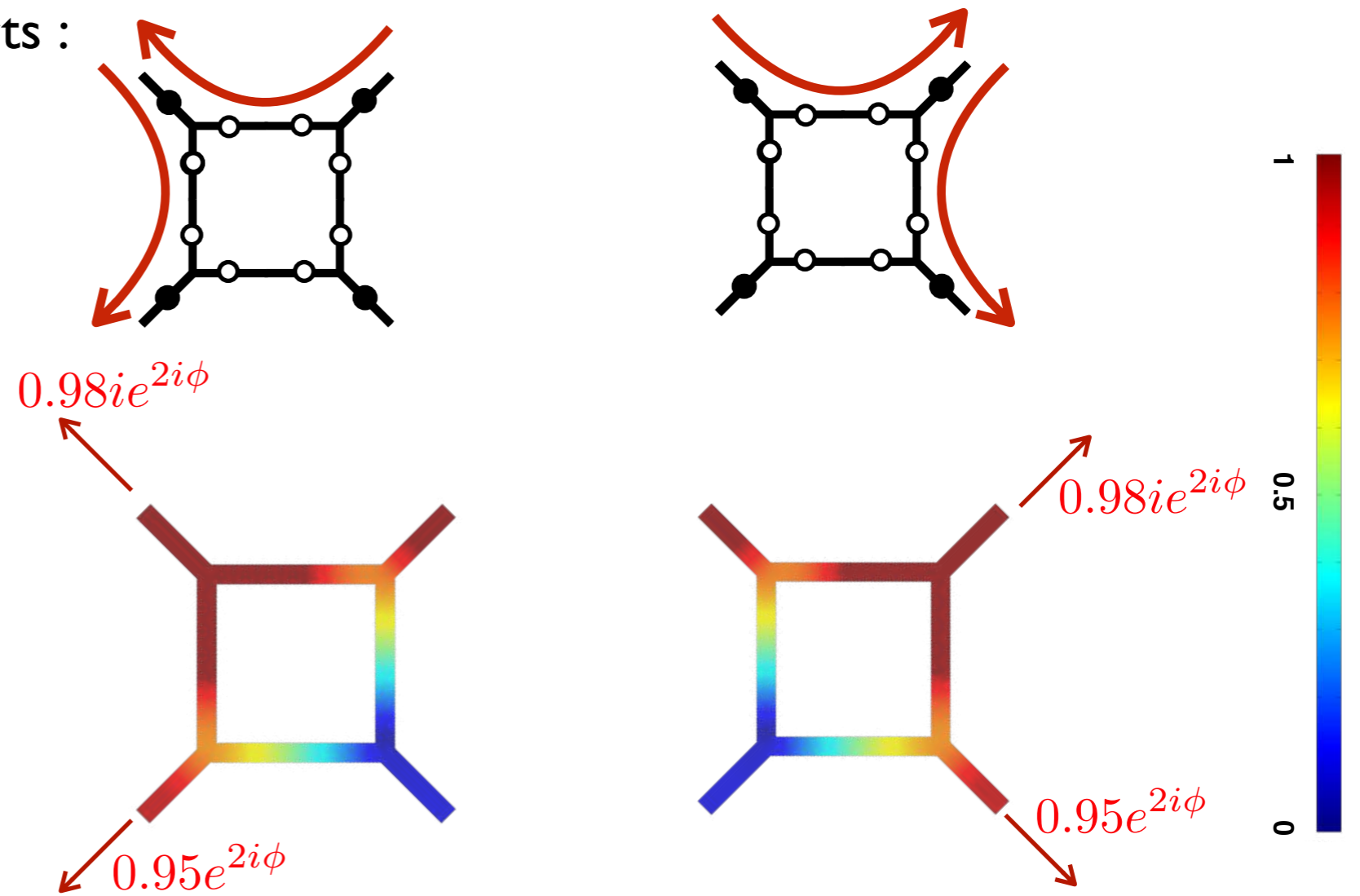
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$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} e^{2i\phi}$$

Turn-right coupler

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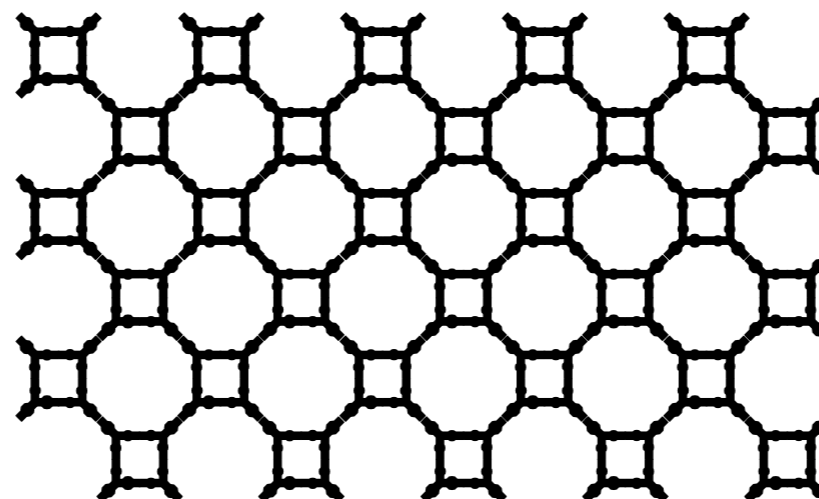
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## Conclusion

- Subwavelength splitter/combiner with perfect transmission
- 4-port network with 3-port building blocks
- Wave routing operations :
  - selection of the output channels with the relative phase of the inputs

## Future work

- Tunable and compact system
- Change the orientation of the building blocks  $\longrightarrow$  other functionalities
- Use of more complex devices built from asymmetric 3-port
- Generalization to N-port systems
- Propagation in 2D network based on simple cells



# Network

