

## Theoretical Limitations to Ferromagnetic Parametric Amplifier Performance

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It has been commonly expected that improved operation of the ferrite parametric amplifier could be obtained by use of materials of narrower resonance linewidth,  $\Delta H$ . This parameter is critical in determining the pumping power ( $P_{\text{sub } p}$ ) required for operation of the device. Also of importance, however, is the limitation of device properties determined by the dependence on  $\Delta H$  of the instability threshold of the spin-wave system. Considering this limitation, the maximum voltage gain-fractional bandwidth product ( $g_{\text{sub } v}/\Delta\omega/\omega_{\text{sub } 1}$ ) has been determined as a function of other device parameters, and typical values calculated for several modes of operation. In the electromagnetic mode, for example, there is an optimum  $\Delta H$  which yields maximum  $g_{\text{sub } v}/\Delta\omega/\omega_{\text{sub } 1}$  at a given pumping power. It is also shown that a minimum filling factor, also a function of  $\Delta H$  for some types of operation, is required to reach the oscillation threshold even in the unloaded device.

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