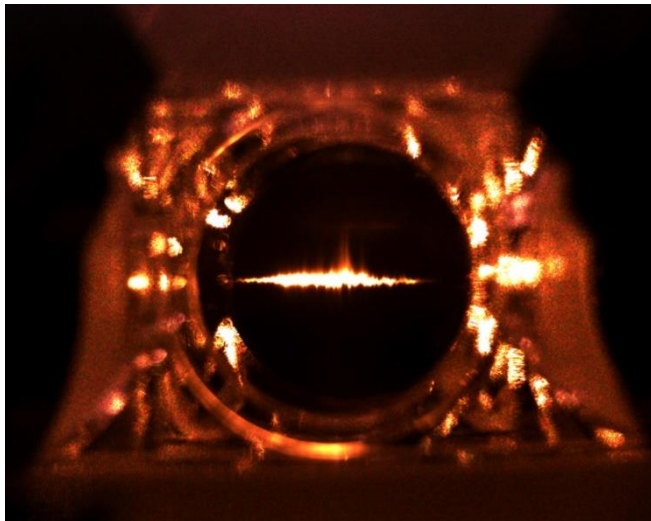


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# TEMPORAL IMAGING AND SUPER-RESOLVED SPECTROSCOPY WITH A QUANTUM MEMORY



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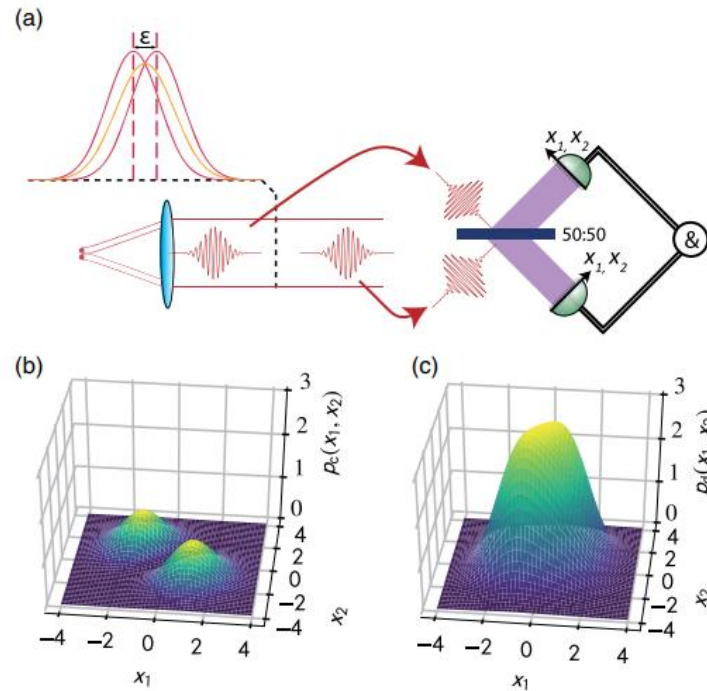
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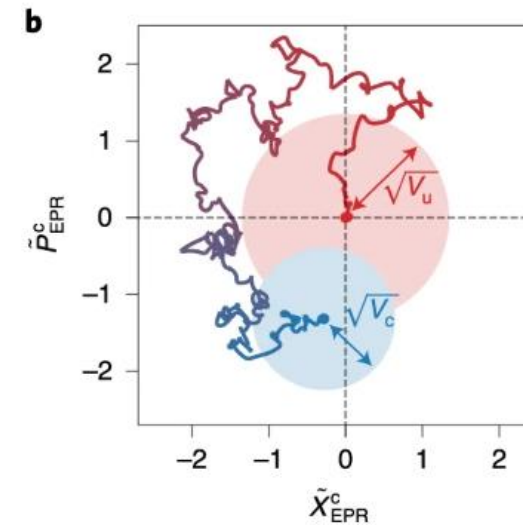
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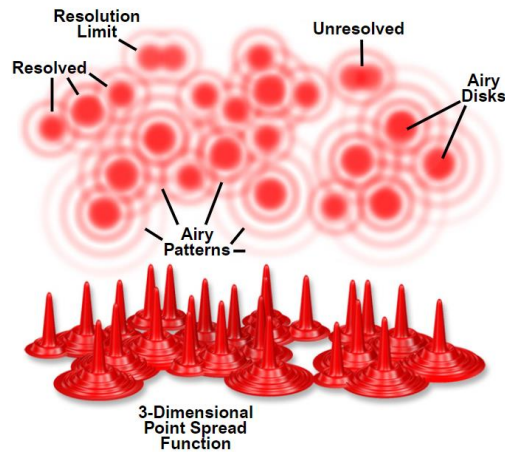
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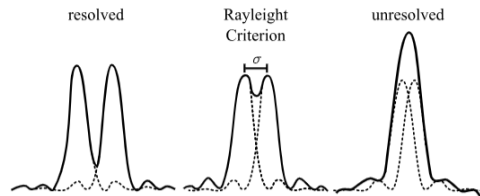


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With Eugene S. Polzik

# Imaging resolution - Rayleigh Criterion



$$\theta = 1.2197 \frac{\lambda}{2R}$$



$$\sigma = \frac{0.61\lambda}{\mu \sin \gamma} = \frac{0.61\lambda}{NA}$$



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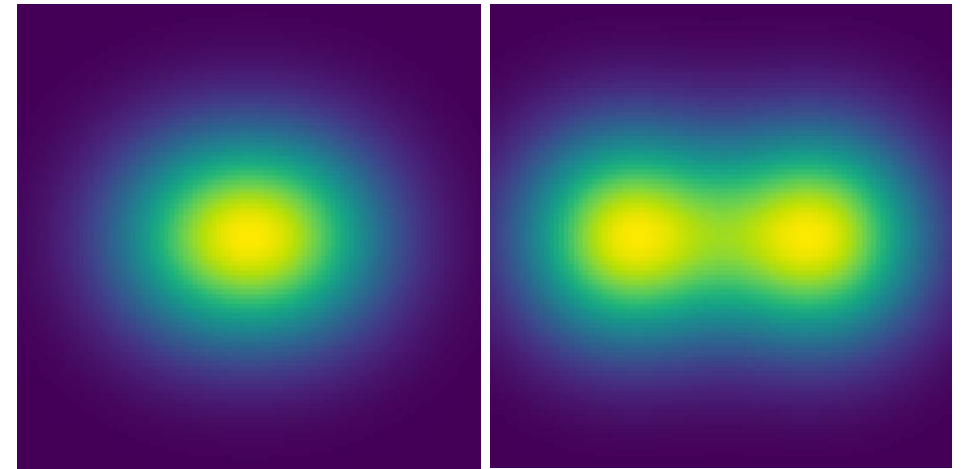
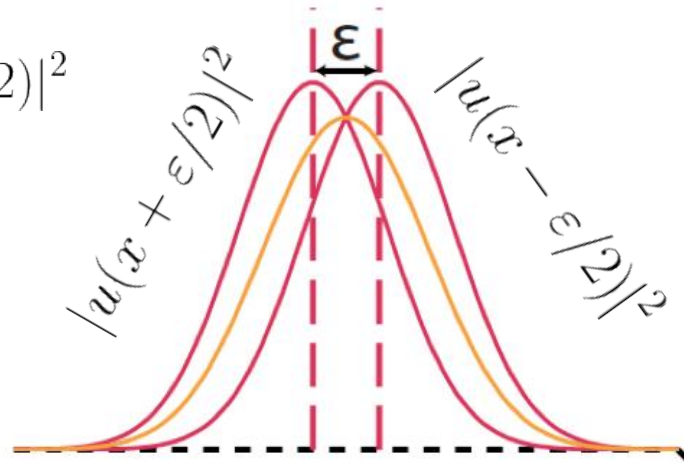
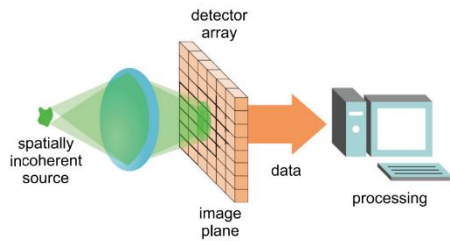
[Plate VII.]

§ 1. *Resolving, or Separating, Power of Optical Instruments.*

# Rayleigh Limit

Two point sources:

$$|u(x + \varepsilon/2)|^2 + |u(x - \varepsilon/2)|^2$$



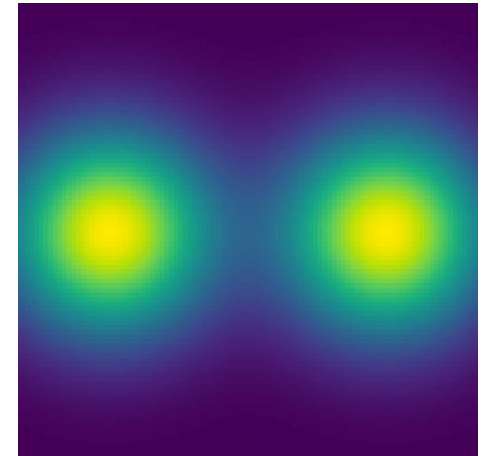
$$\mathcal{F}_{\text{DI}} \approx \varepsilon^2/8$$

Cramér–Rao bound (CRB)

$$\Delta^2 \hat{\varepsilon} \geq \frac{1}{\mathcal{F}}, \quad \mathcal{F} = \int \frac{1}{p_{\varepsilon}(x)} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon} p_{\varepsilon}(x) \right)^2 dx$$

Precision (per photon)

$$(\Delta^2 \varepsilon)_{\text{DI}}^{-1} = \frac{\varepsilon^2}{8},$$



# Ultimate bound

Quantum Cramer-Rao bound – optimized over all possible states and measurements

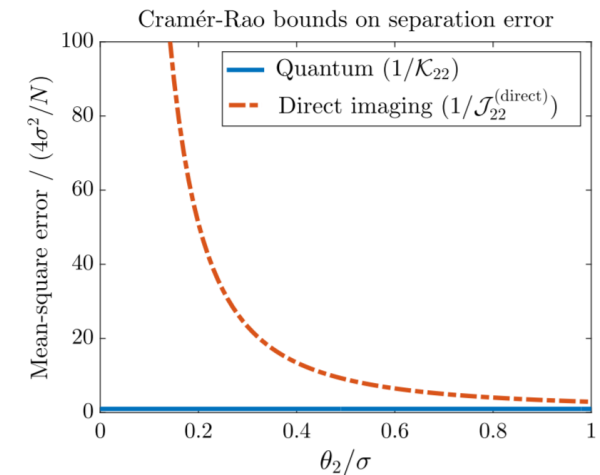
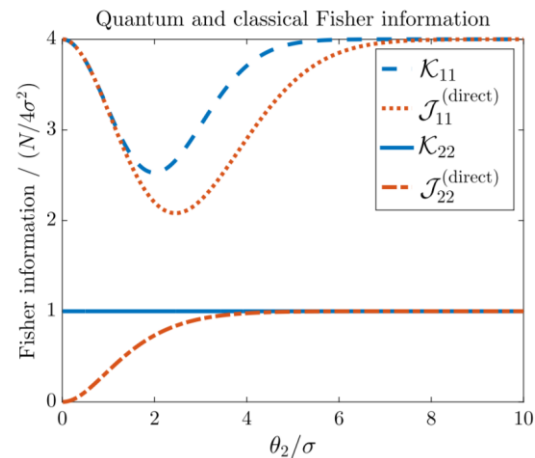
Precision = Inverse Uncertainties<sup>2</sup> per photons

$$\theta = (x_0, \varepsilon)$$

$$\text{Cov}\theta \geq N\mathcal{F}_Q$$

$$(\Delta^2 x_0)_Q^{-1} = 1 - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{4},$$

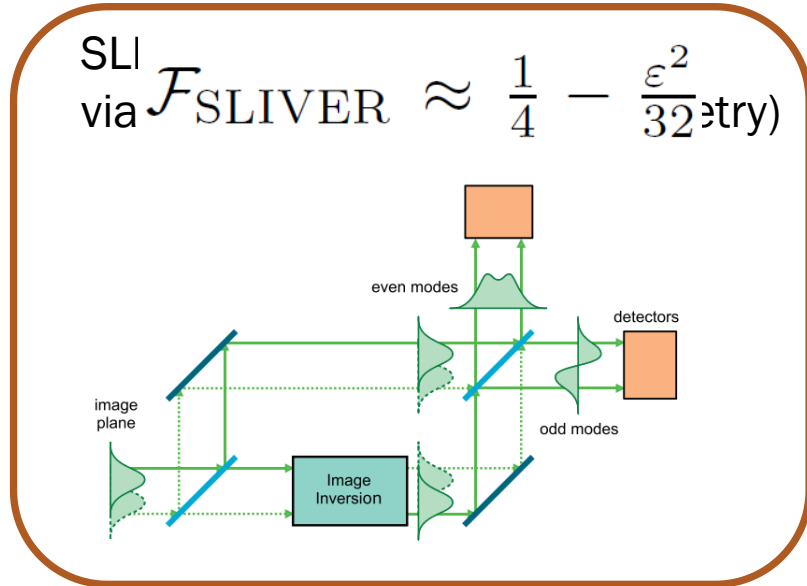
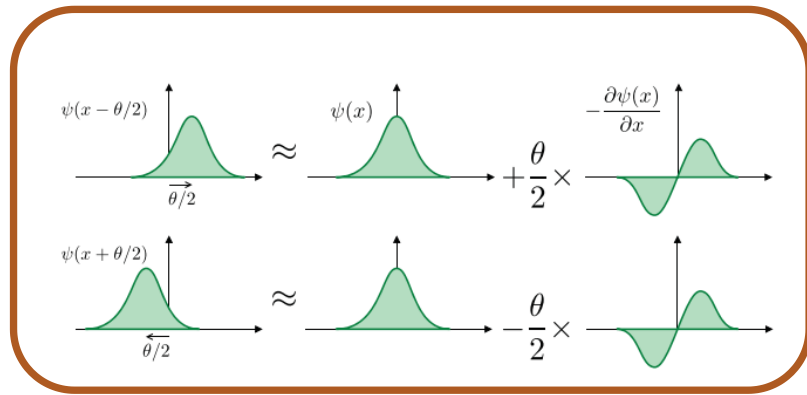
$$(\Delta^2 \varepsilon)_Q^{-1} = \frac{1}{4},$$



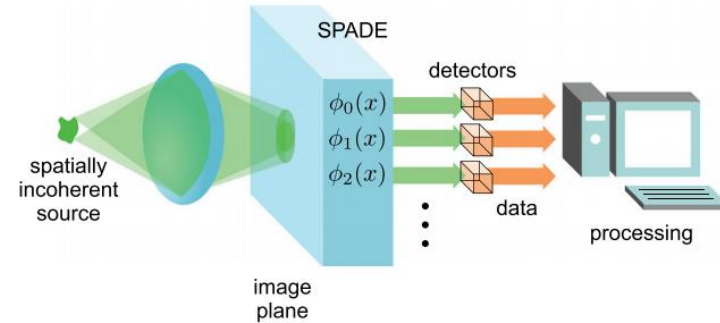
Constant precision of separation estimation – much more information available

**Better measurement scheme needed!**

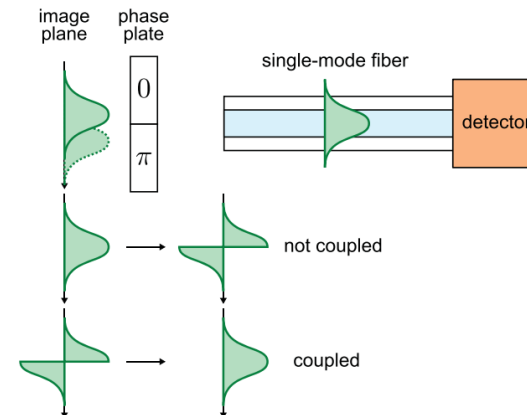
# Beating the Rayleigh Limit



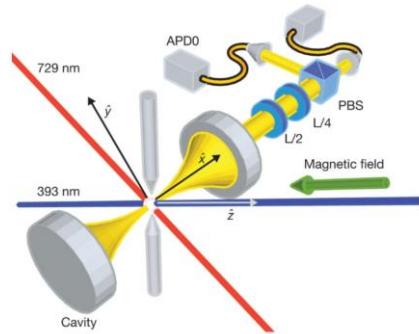
## SPADE (spatial-mode demultiplexing)



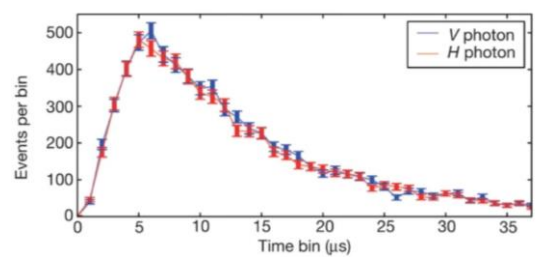
## SPLICE (super-resolved position localization by inversion of coherence along an edge)



# Ultranarrowband optical spectroscopy

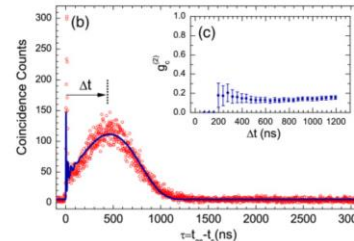
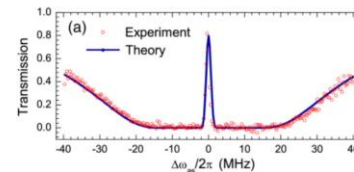
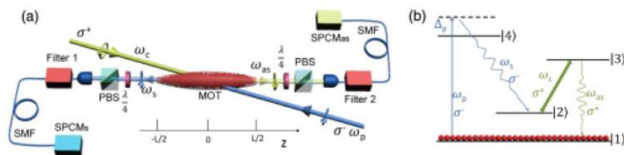


Single ions <100kHz



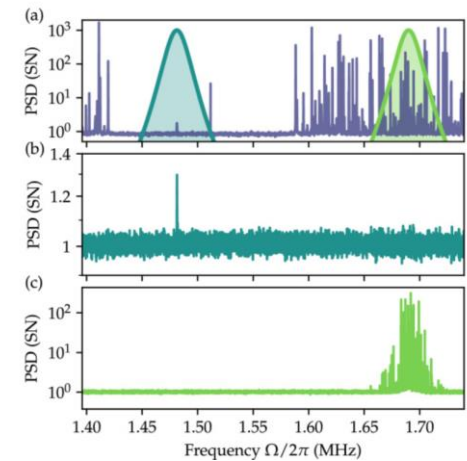
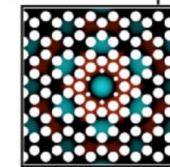
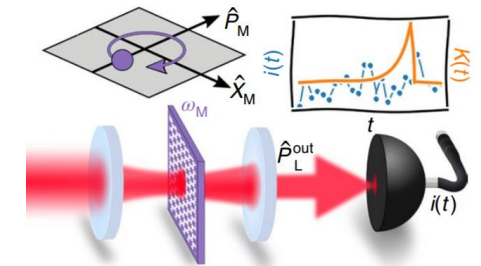
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Hot and cold atoms MHz-kHz



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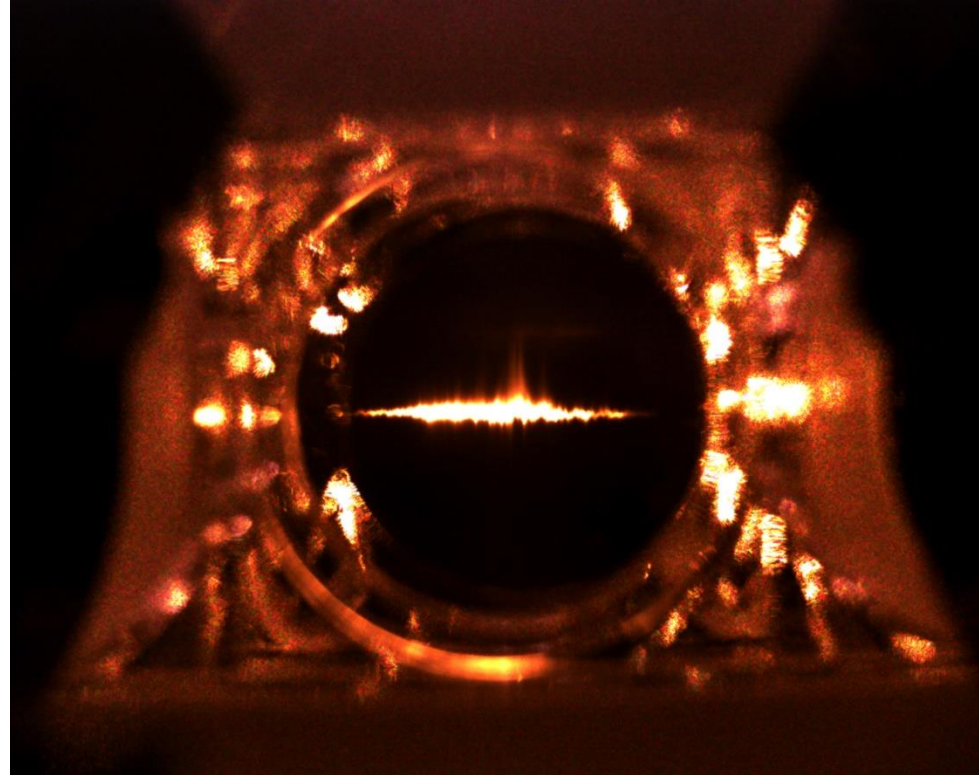
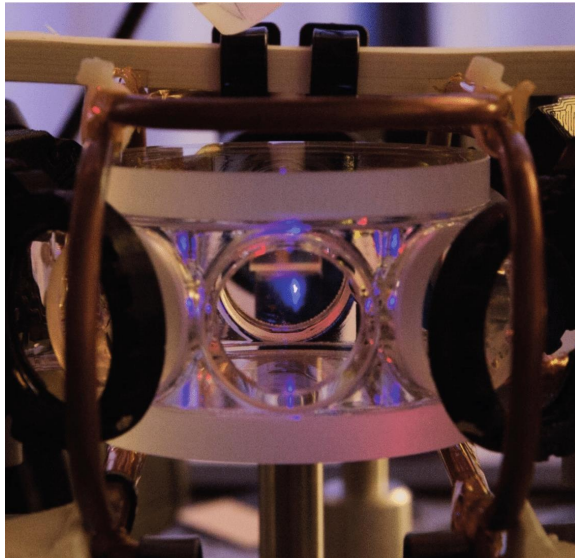
Optomechanical systems  
~10kHz



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# System – gradient echo memory in cold rubidium-87 atoms

$T \sim 20 - 100 \mu\text{K}$   
(Not ultracold)

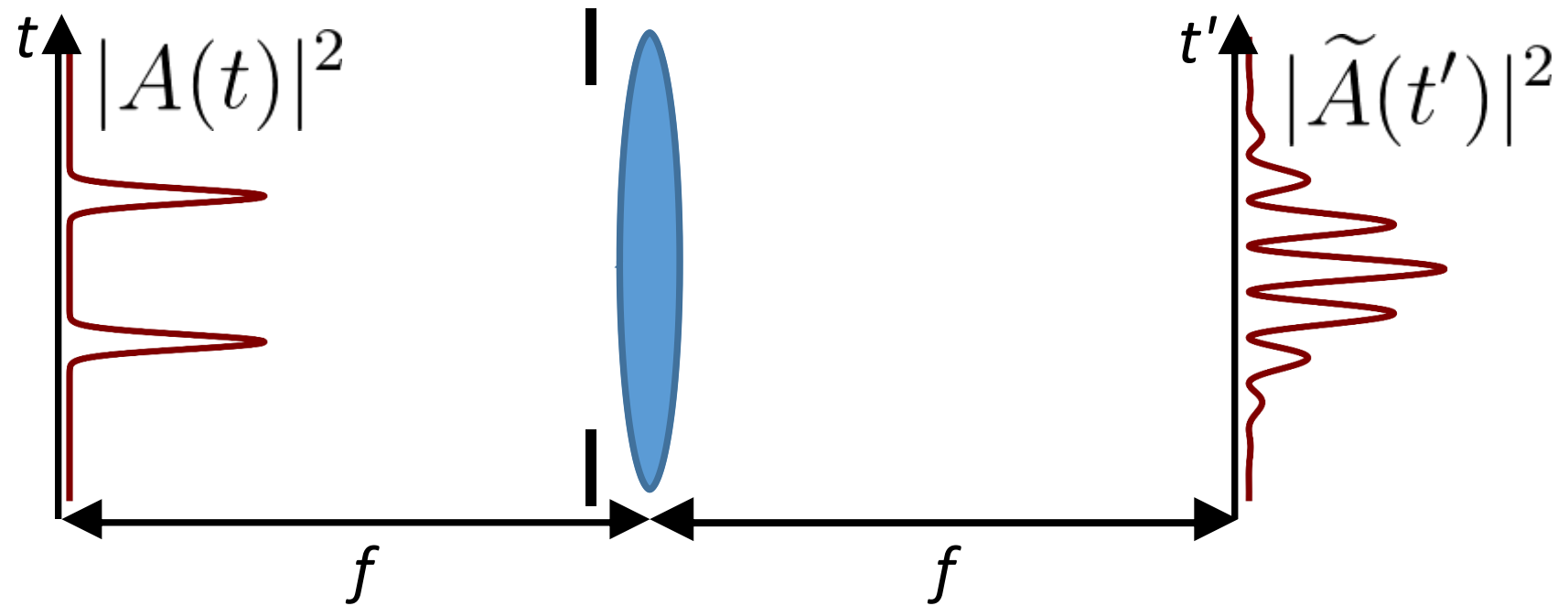


Wavevector multiplexed quantum memory (without GEM, 665 wavevector modes)

Nat. Commun **8**, 2140 (2017)

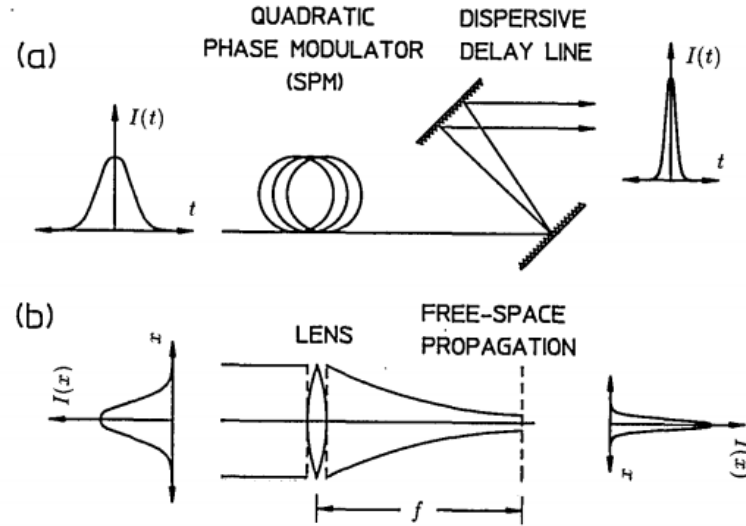


# Far-field temporal imaging



$$|\tilde{A}(t')|^2 = |\mathcal{F}_t[A(t)](t')|^2$$

# Temporal imaging

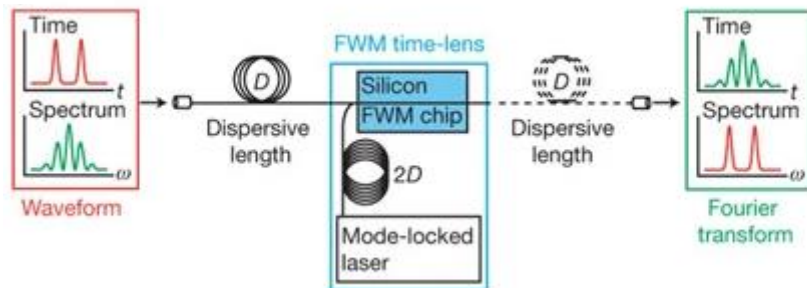


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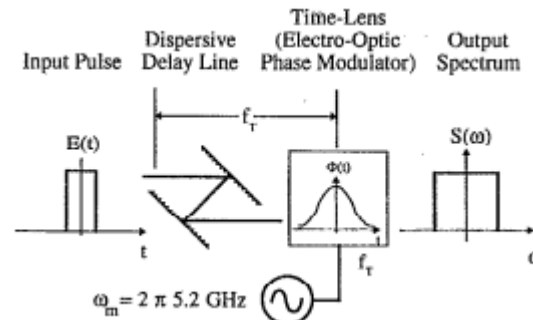
- Spectral conversion
- Bandwidth manipulation
- Temporal ghost imaging
- Characterization of the time-frequency entanglement
- Manipulation of field-orthogonal temporal modes

Existing solutions are compatible with solid-state emission (high bandwidth, low spectral resolution)

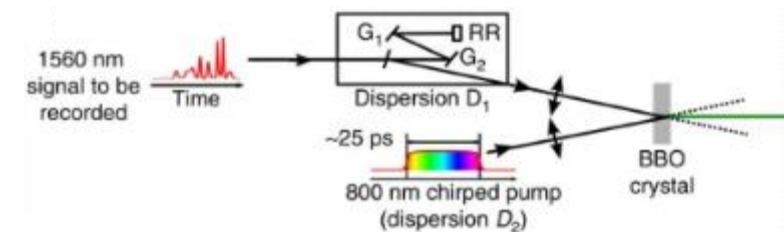
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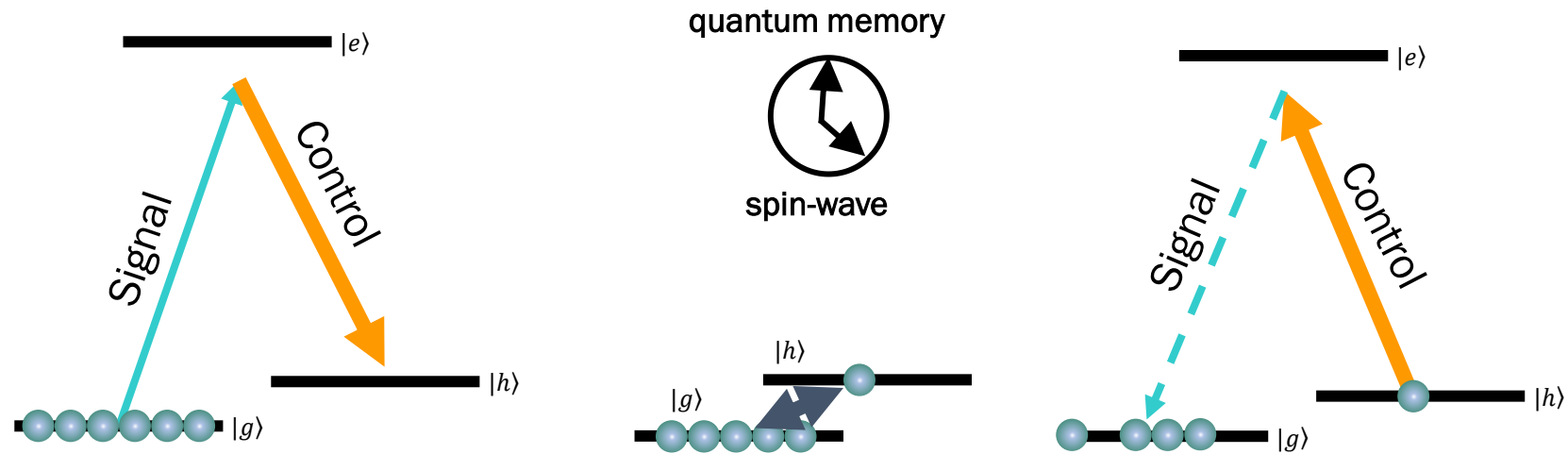


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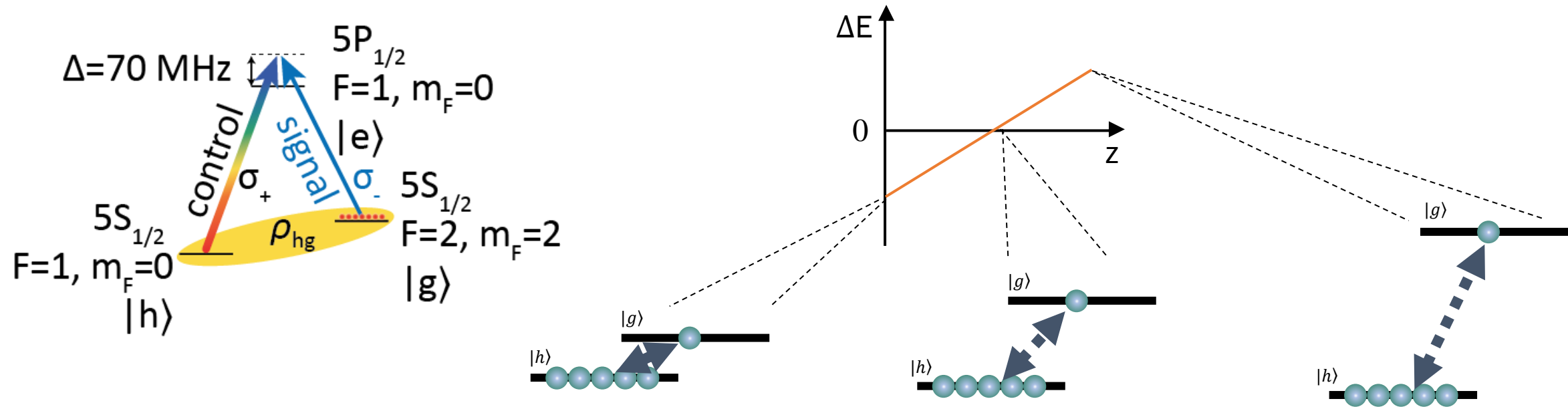
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# Light-atom interface



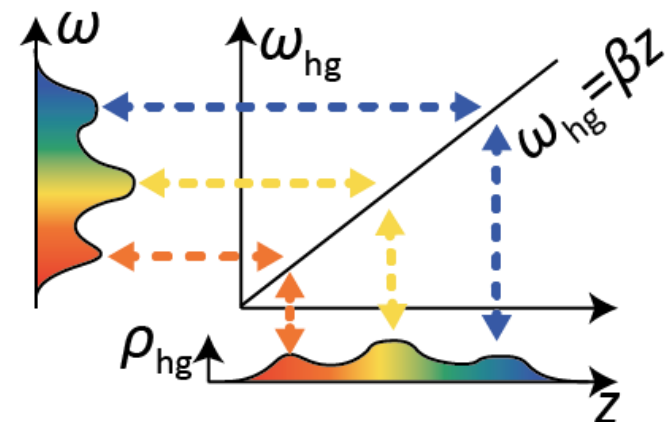
$$\hat{\rho}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{1 + |\beta(\mathbf{r})|^2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \beta(\mathbf{r}) e^{i\mathbf{K}\cdot\mathbf{r}} \\ \beta^*(\mathbf{r}) e^{-i\mathbf{K}\cdot\mathbf{r}} & |\beta(\mathbf{r})|^2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \text{Spin wave}$$

# Gradient echo memory (GEM)

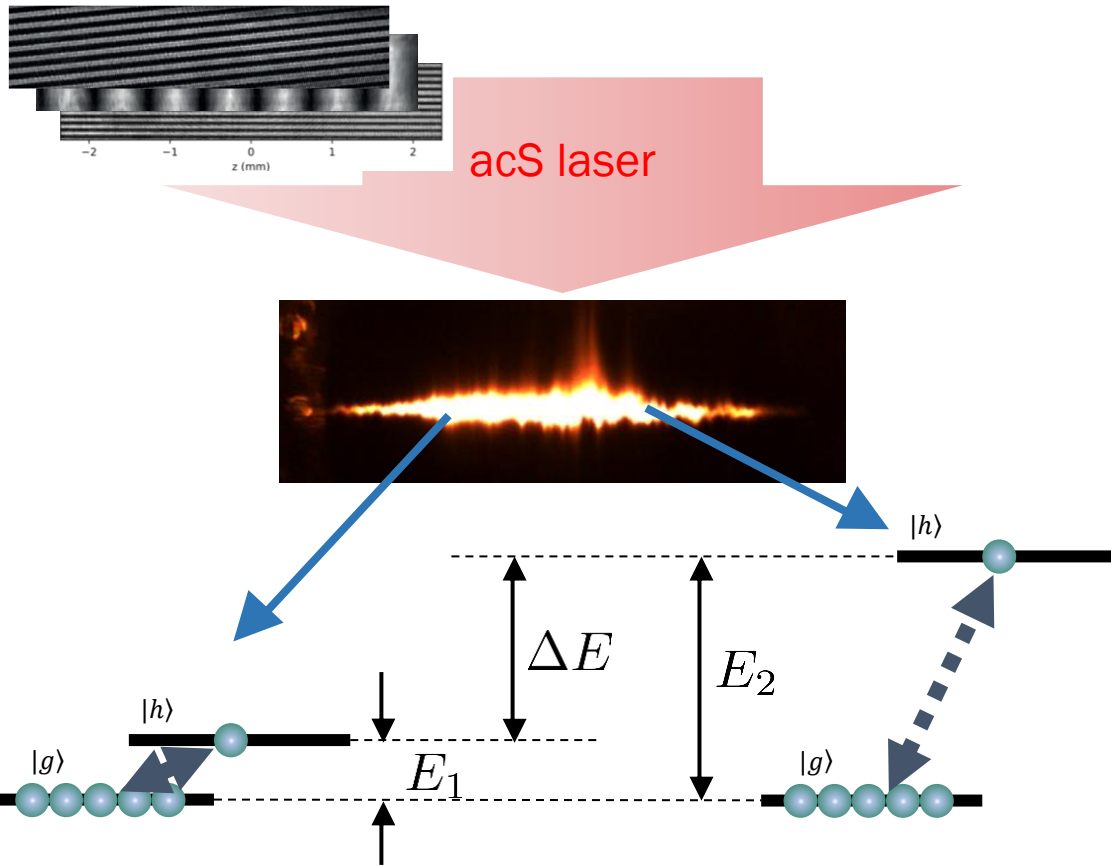


$$\frac{\partial \check{\rho}_{hg}(z, t)}{\partial t} = \frac{i}{\hbar} \frac{\Omega^*(t) d A(z, t)}{4\Delta - 2i\Gamma} - \frac{1}{2\tau} \check{\rho}_{hg}(z, t) + \boxed{i\delta_{\text{tot}}(z, t)} \check{\rho}_{hg}(z, t),$$

$$\frac{\partial A(z, t)}{\partial z} = -i \frac{\hbar \Omega(t) \check{\rho}_{hg}(z, t) / d + A(z, t) \Gamma}{2\Delta + i\Gamma} \frac{\Gamma}{2} g n(z),$$



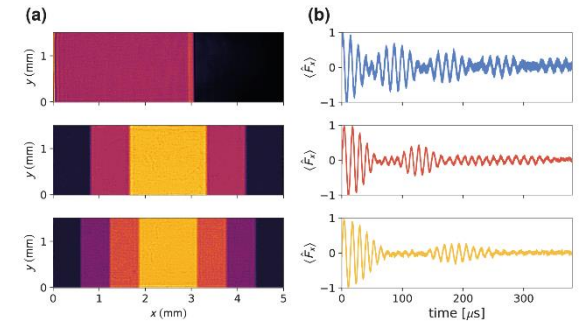
# ac-Stark spin-wave phase modulation



$$\Delta\varphi(y, z) = \Delta E(y, z)T/\hbar$$

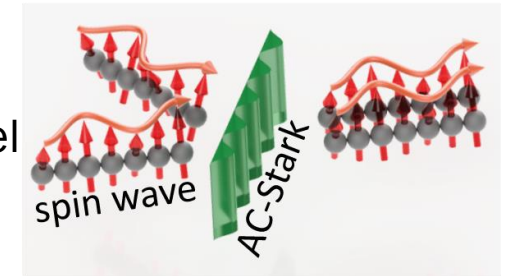
Differential phase accumulated during free evolution

Fictitious magnetic fields



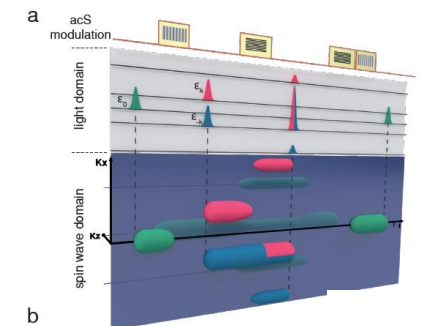
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Spin-wave Hong-Ou-Mandel interference



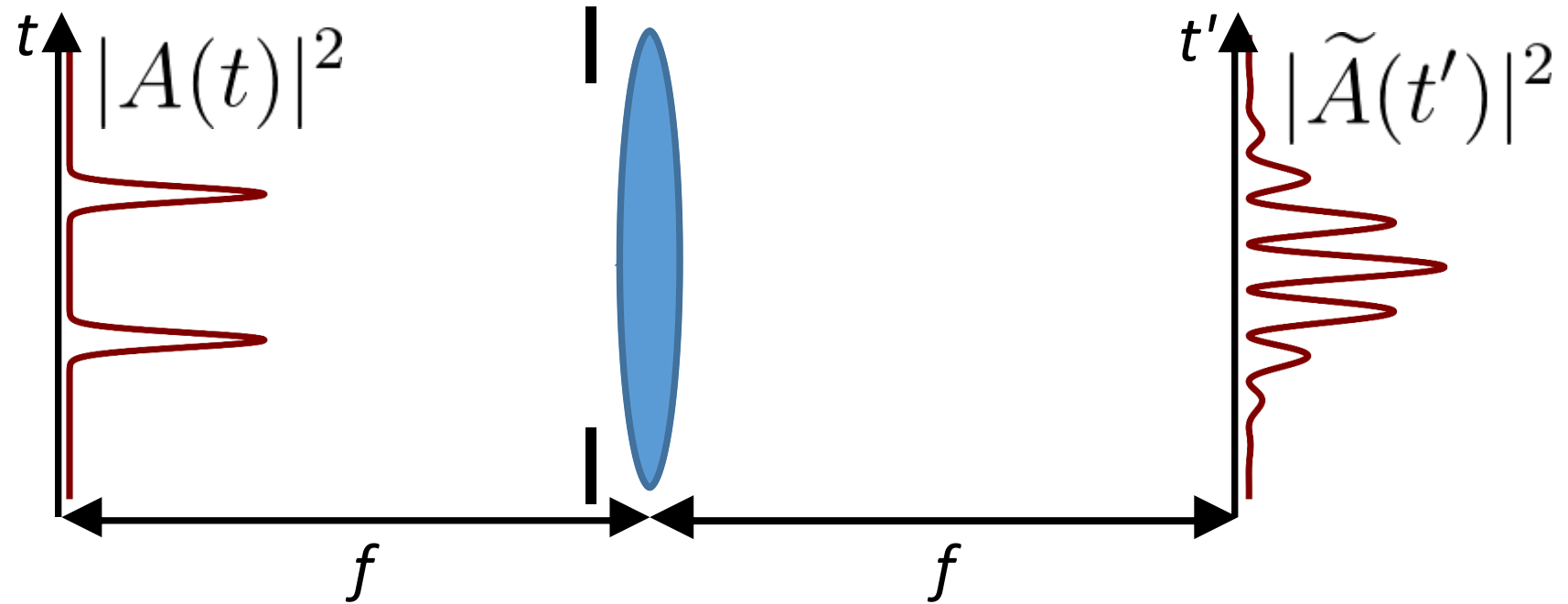
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Spin-wave processor of stored optical pulses



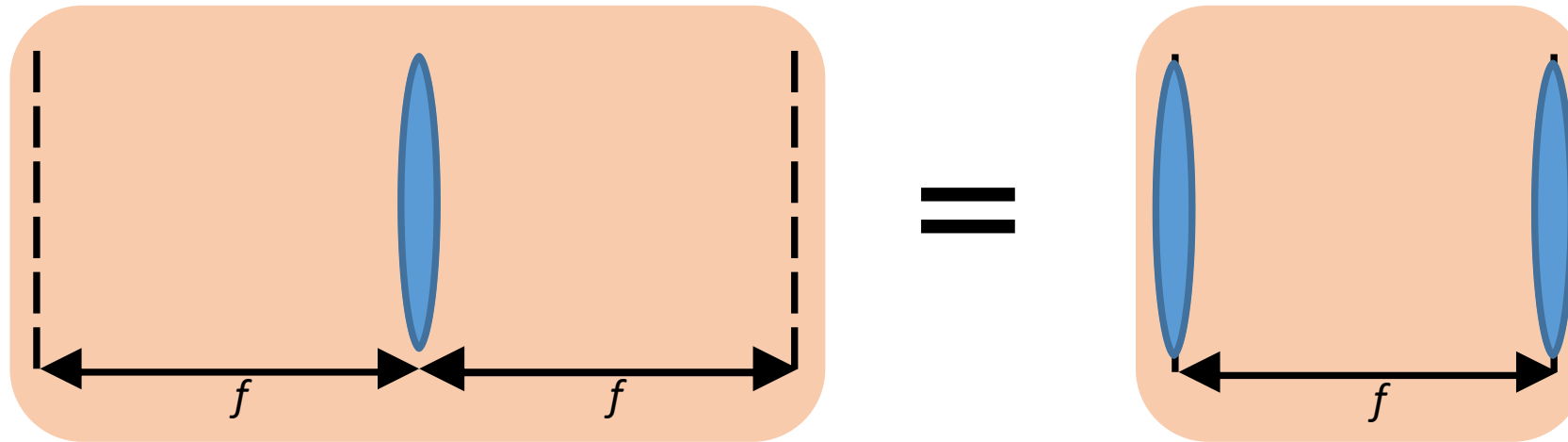
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# Far-field temporal imaging



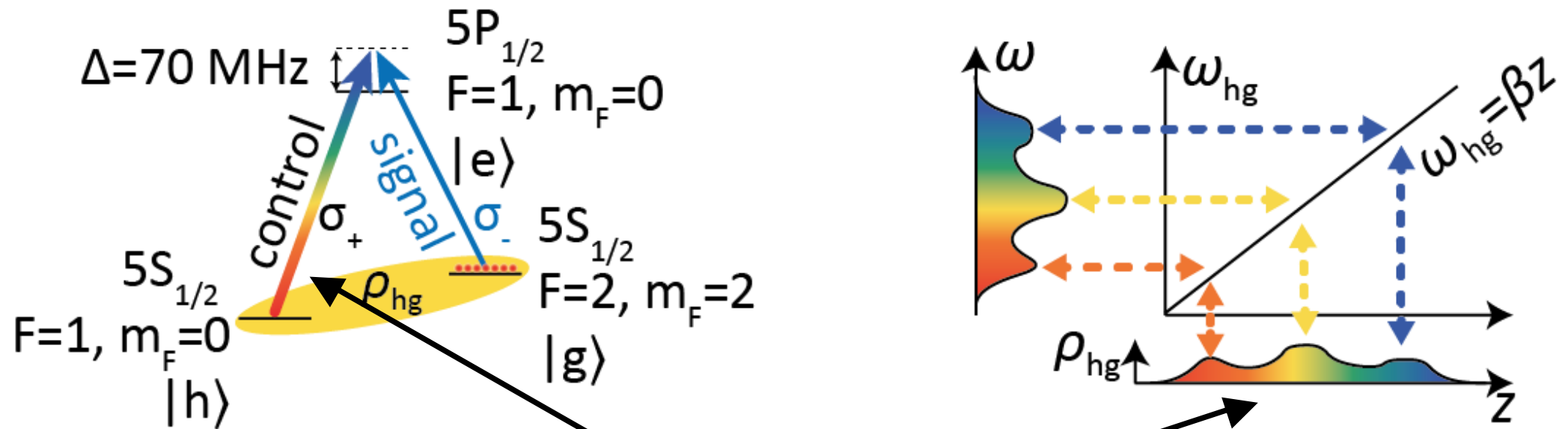
$$|\tilde{A}(t')|^2 = |\mathcal{F}_t[A(t)](t')|^2$$

# Far-field temporal imaging



$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{f_t} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & f_t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{f_t} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & f_t \\ -\frac{1}{f_t} & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & f_t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{f_t} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & f_t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Time-lens and spectro-spatial mapping



$$\rho_{hg}(z) \propto \tilde{A}(\beta z)$$

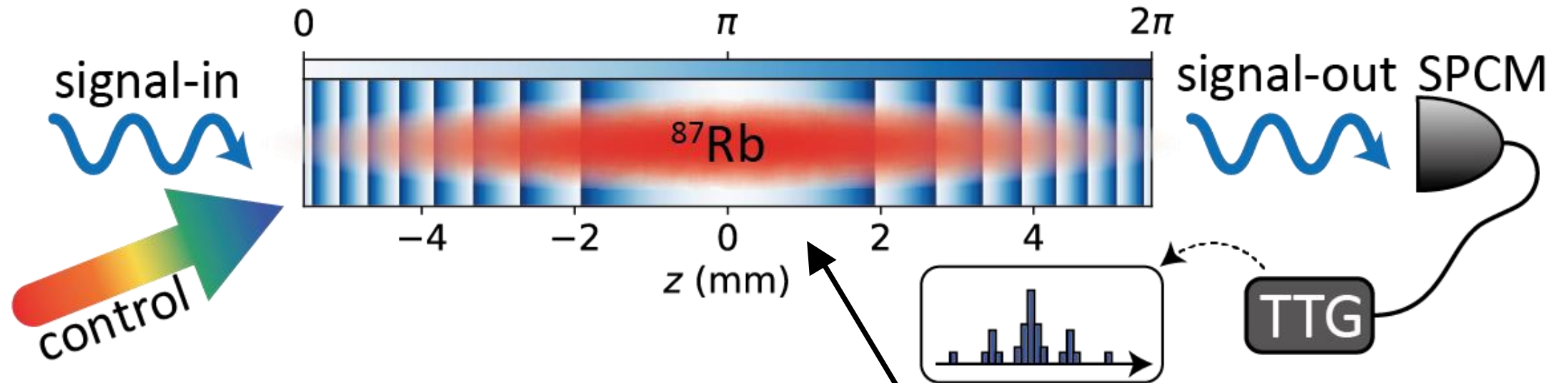
Time-lens realized  
by chirped control field

$$\delta\omega(t) = \alpha t$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{f_t} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Temporal propagation



Temporal „free-space” propagation  
 – a quadratic phase in frequency

$$\tilde{A}(\omega) = \mathcal{F}_t[A(t)](\omega)$$

$$\tilde{A}(\omega) \rightarrow \tilde{A}(\omega) \exp[-i(f_t/\omega_0)\omega^2]$$

Thanks to spectro-spatial mapping the temporal propagation is realized by imposing a quadratic phase (Fresnel) profile onto the atomic coherence  $\rho_{\text{hg}}$

# Wigner function transformation

For optical amplitudes: 
$$\mathcal{W}(t, \omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int \mathcal{A}(t + \xi/2) \mathcal{A}^*(t - \xi/2) \exp(-i\omega\xi) d\xi$$

For atomic coherence: 
$$\mathcal{W}(z, k_z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int \varrho_{hg}(z + \xi/2) \varrho_{hg}^*(z - \xi/2) \exp(-ik_z\xi) d\xi$$

Temporal phase modulations correspond to z-axis reshaping of the atomic coherence Wigner function

$$\mathcal{A}(t) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(t) \exp\left(i \int \delta(t) dt\right) \qquad \mathcal{W}(z, k_z) \xrightarrow{\delta(t)} \mathcal{W}(z', k_z)$$

Spectral components of the signal pulse are linked with the complex amplitude of the atomic coherence along the ensemble.

$$\tilde{\mathcal{A}}(\omega) \leftrightarrow \varrho_{hg}(z)$$

At the same time, in time domain, the pulse shape is transferred to wavevector-space components of the coherence.

$$\mathcal{A}(t) \leftrightarrow \tilde{\rho}_{hg}(k_z)$$

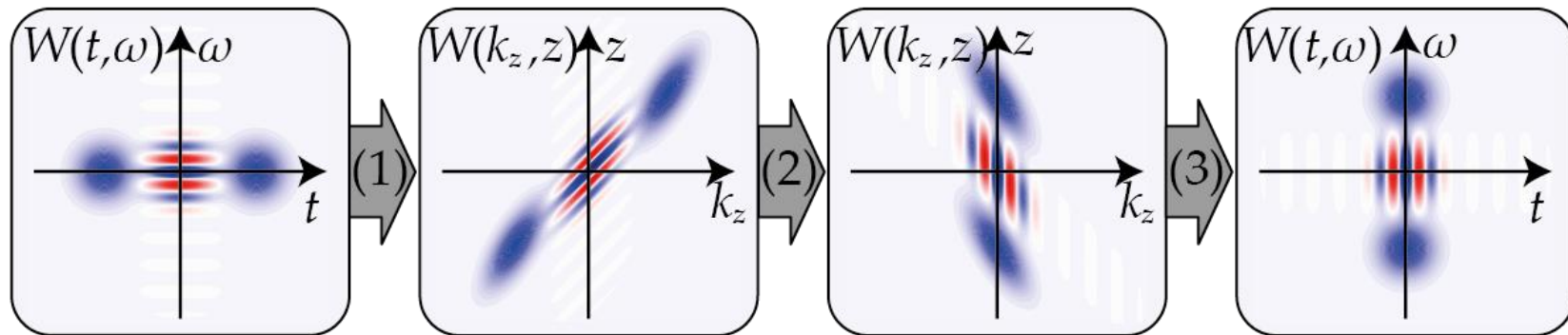
Real-space phase modulations of the atomic coherence reshape the Wigner function along kz-axis

$$\varrho_{hg}(z) \rightarrow \varrho(z) \exp(i\chi(z)) \qquad \mathcal{W}(z, k_z) \xrightarrow{\chi(z)} \mathcal{W}(z, k'_z)$$

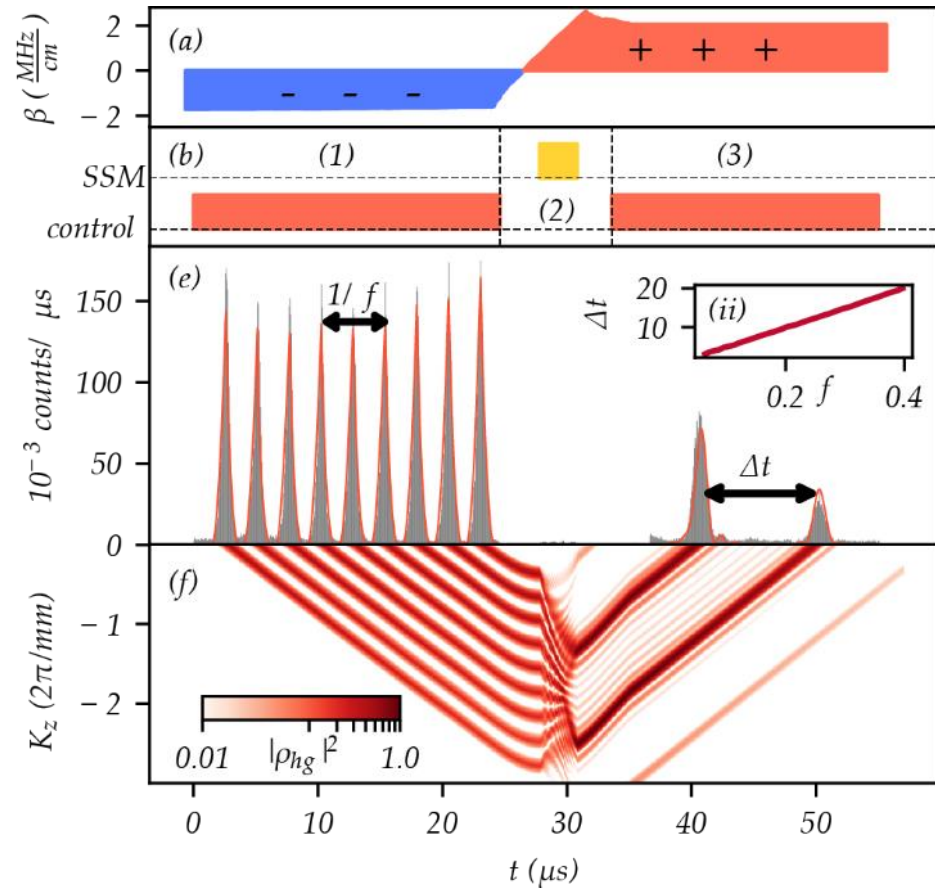
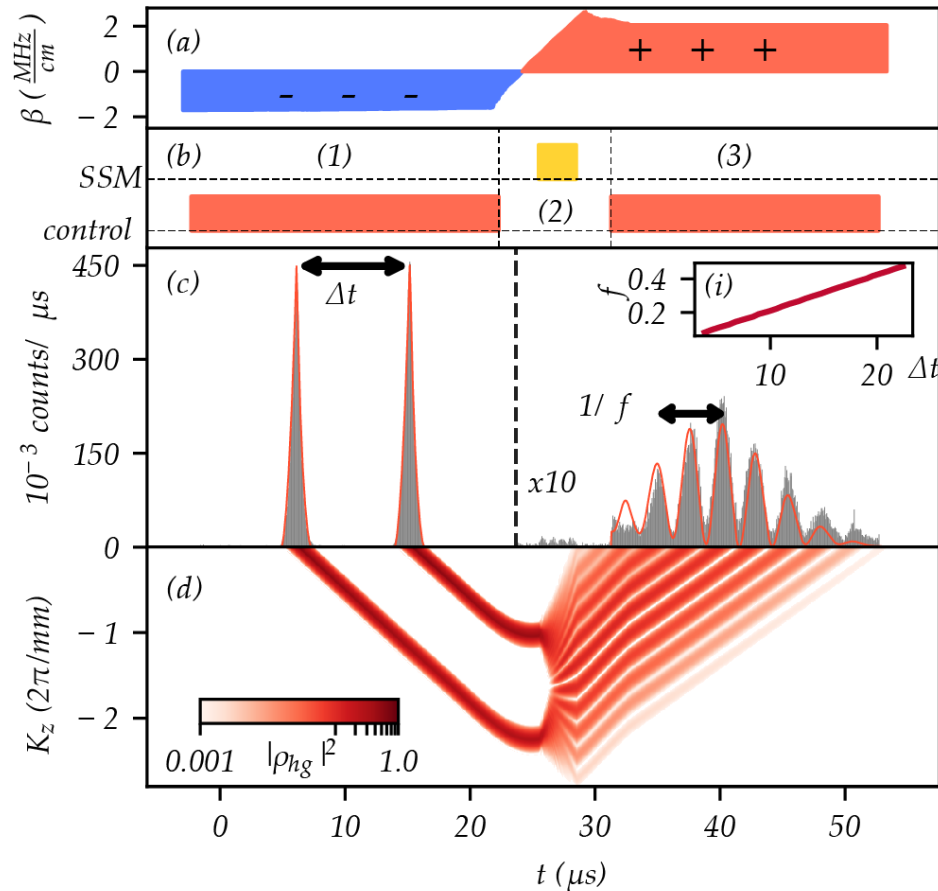
# FF-TI (QMTI) - Rotating Wigner function

$$W(t, \omega) = 1/\sqrt{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A(t + \xi/2) A^*(t - \xi/2) \exp(-i\omega\xi) d\xi$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} t' \\ \frac{\omega'}{\omega_0} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{f_t} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & f_t \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{f_t} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t \\ \frac{\omega}{\omega_0} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & f_t \\ -\frac{1}{f_t} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t \\ \frac{\omega}{\omega_0} \end{bmatrix}$$



# Example input/output

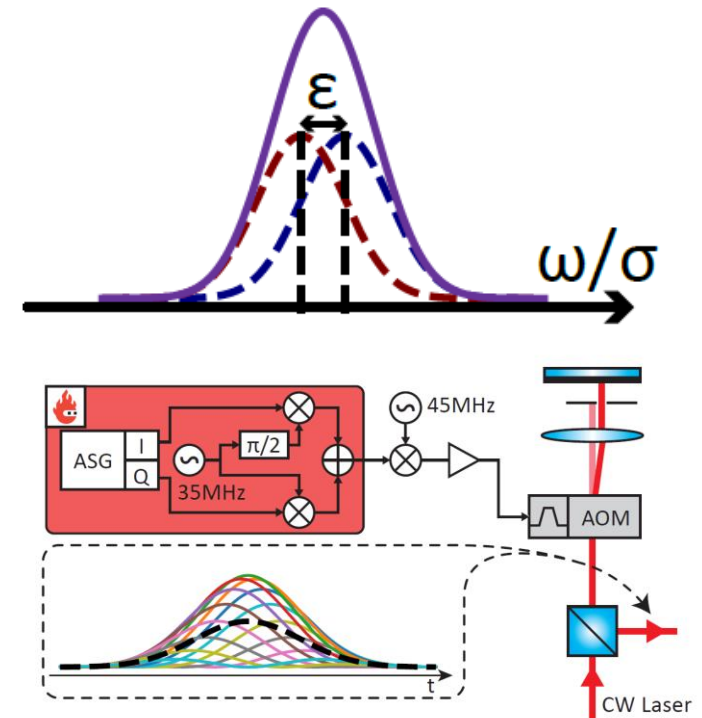
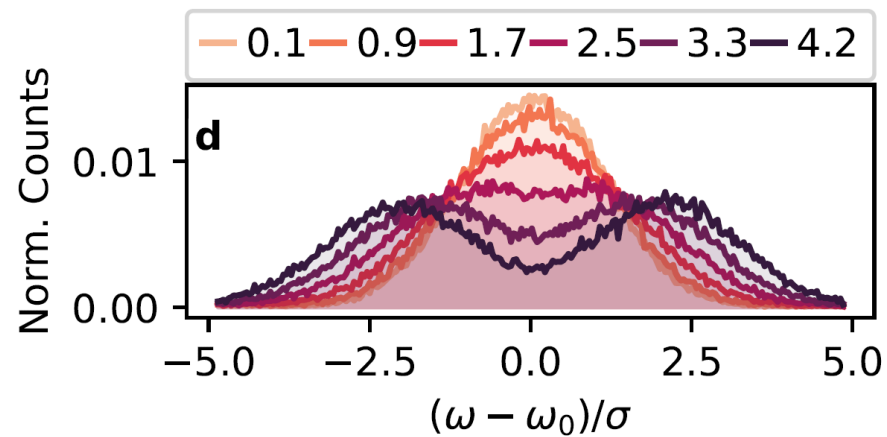


$$\left( \left( \tilde{A}(\alpha t) \exp(-i(\alpha/2)t^2) \right) * \zeta(\beta t) * \zeta(\beta t) \right) \exp(i(\alpha/2)t^2)$$

# Two incoherent sources

$$\tilde{I}(\omega) = \frac{1}{2} \left( |\tilde{\psi}(\omega - \delta\omega/2)|^2 + |\tilde{\psi}_-(\omega + \delta\omega/2)|^2 \right)$$

$$\tilde{\psi}(\omega) = \tilde{\psi}_\Delta(\omega) = \left( \sqrt{2\pi}\sigma \right)^{-1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{\omega^2}{4\sigma^2}\right)$$

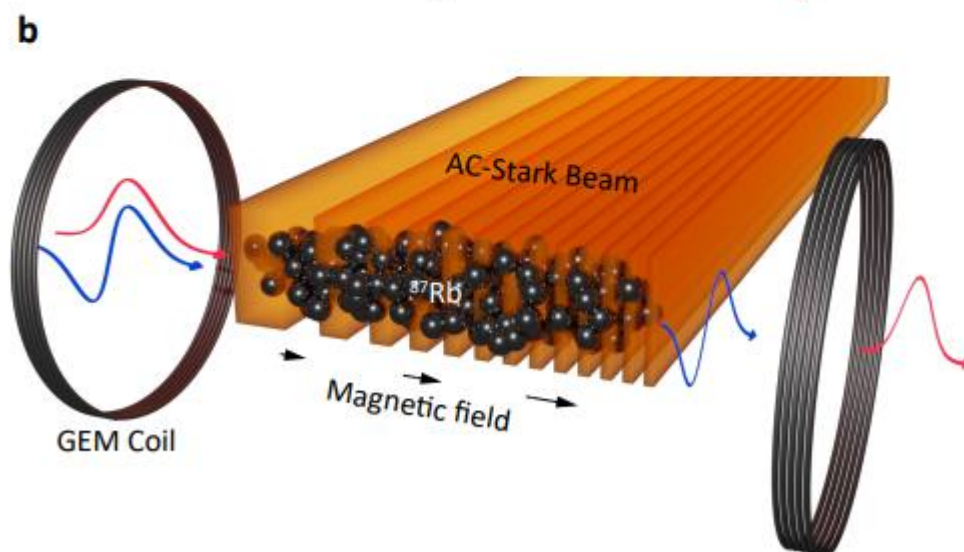
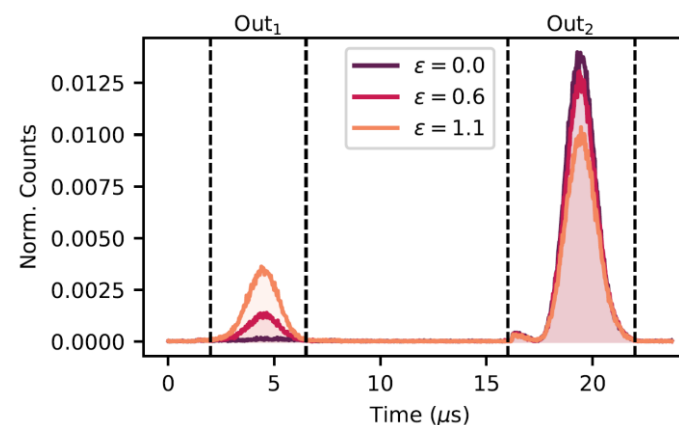
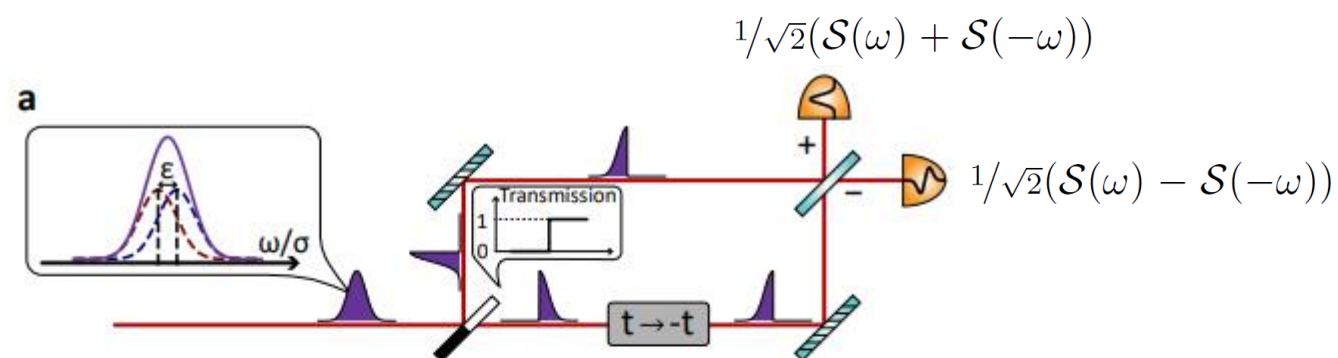


$$\mathcal{S}_\varphi(\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \tilde{\psi}_\Delta(\omega - \sigma\epsilon/2) + e^{i\varphi} \tilde{\psi}_\Delta(\omega + \sigma\epsilon/2) \right)$$

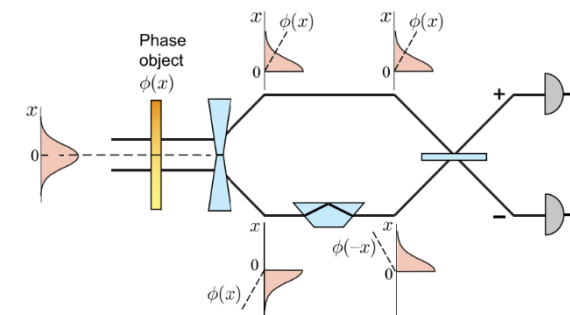
$$\mathcal{W}_S(t, \omega) = \psi_\Delta^2(t) \left( \tilde{\psi}_\Delta^2(\omega - \sigma\epsilon/2) + \tilde{\psi}_\Delta^2(\omega + \sigma\epsilon/2) \right)$$

# PuDTAI

## Pulse-division time-axis-inversion interferometer

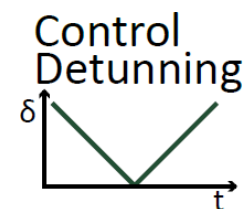
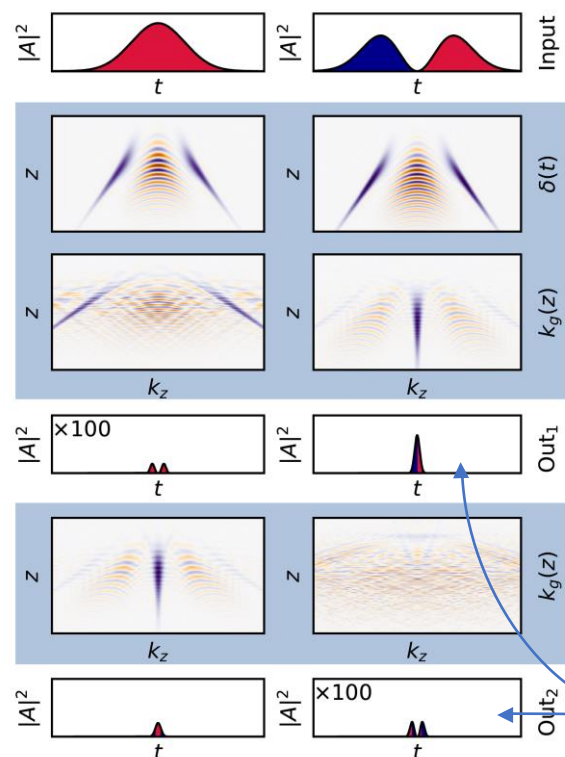


For real space imaging:  
Wavefront-division  
image-inversion  
interferometer

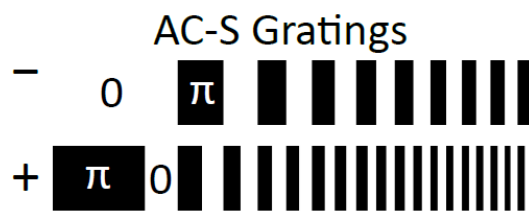


# PuDTAI in phase space

$$W(z, k_z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int \varrho_{hg}(z+\xi/2) \varrho_{hg}^*(z-\xi/2) \exp(-ik_z \xi) d\xi$$



$$\delta(t) = \alpha|t|$$



$$k_g = \zeta z \quad k_g = 2\zeta z$$

For the first half of the pulse:

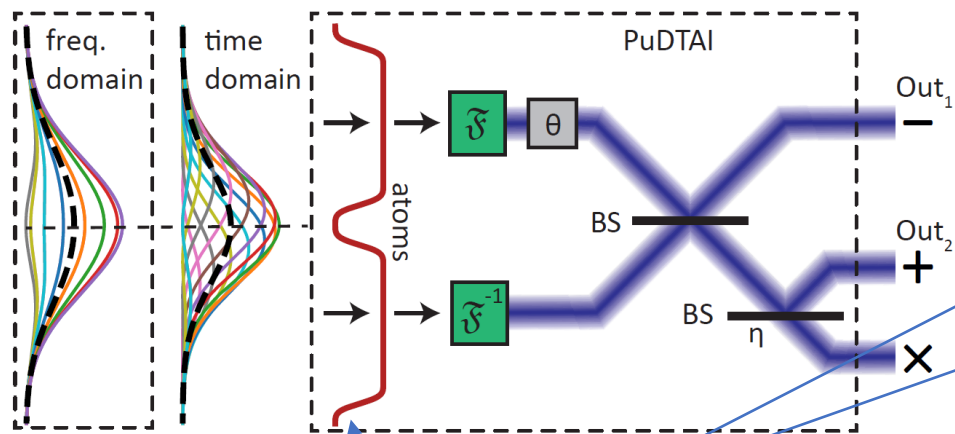
$$\mathcal{A}_-(t) = \begin{cases} \mathcal{A}(t) & t < 0 \\ 0 & t \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$k_z \rightarrow k'_z = \zeta z$$

$$z \rightarrow z' = z - \frac{1}{\zeta} k_z$$

The interference happens in the Fourier domain

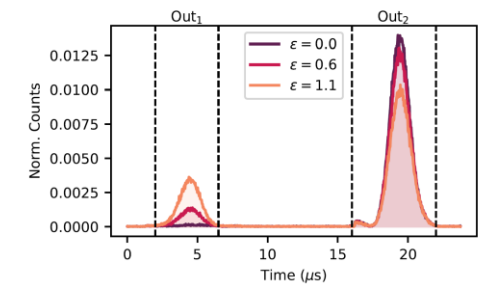
# PuDTAI model



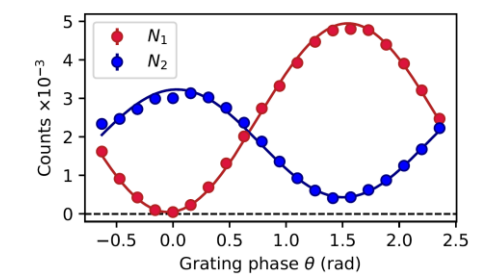
$$p_1 = \eta_1 \eta_1^{\mathcal{A}} \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \nu_1 e^{-\frac{\epsilon^2}{8}} \right),$$

$$p_2 = \eta_2 \eta_2^{\mathcal{A}} \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \nu_2 e^{-\frac{\epsilon^2}{8}} \right),$$

$$p_\times = 1 - p_1 - p_2.$$



$$\mathcal{F}_{\text{PuDTAI}} = \underbrace{\eta_1 \eta_1^{\mathcal{A}} \frac{e^{-\frac{\epsilon^2}{8}} \epsilon^2 \nu_1^2}{32e^{\frac{\epsilon^2}{8}} - 32\nu_1}}_{\mathcal{F}_1} + \underbrace{\eta_1 \eta_2^{\mathcal{A}} \frac{e^{-\frac{\epsilon^2}{8}} \epsilon^2 \nu_2^2}{32(e^{\frac{\epsilon^2}{8}} + \nu_2)}}_{\mathcal{F}_2}$$

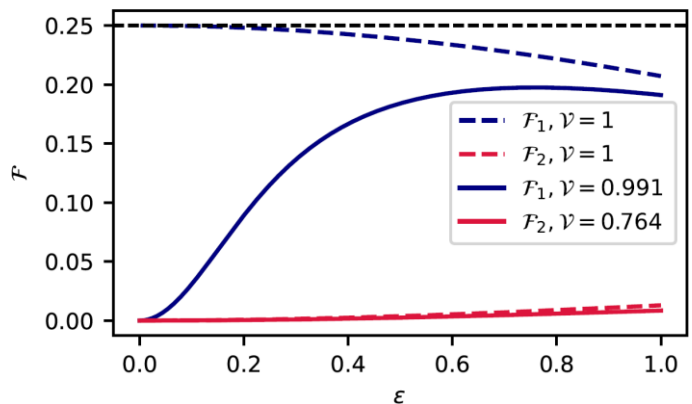


The aperture results in losses but mostly in the symmetric port.

For “hard” aperture:

$$\eta_1^{\mathcal{A}} \approx \text{erfc}\left(\frac{\omega_{\mathcal{A}}}{\sigma}\right) + \frac{\omega_{\mathcal{A}}}{\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{\omega_{\mathcal{A}}^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}$$

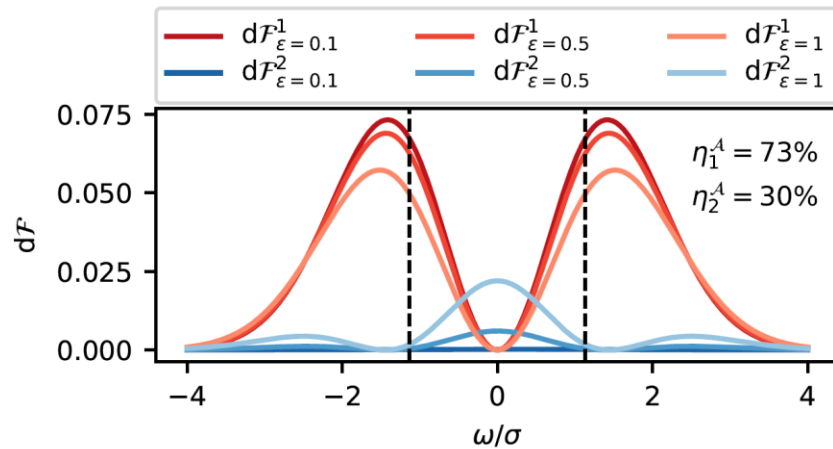
$$\eta_2^{\mathcal{A}} \approx \text{erfc}\left(\frac{\omega_{\mathcal{A}}}{\sigma}\right)$$



For small separations the information is concentrated in the anti-symmetric port



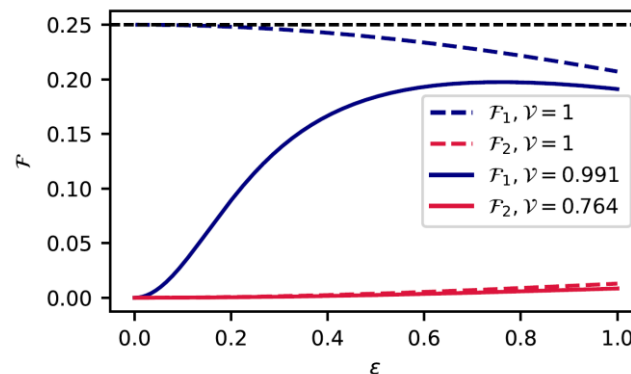
# Fisher information density at SLIVER (PuDTAI) outputs



The FI is concentrated in the lobes, thus removal of the center part is acceptable

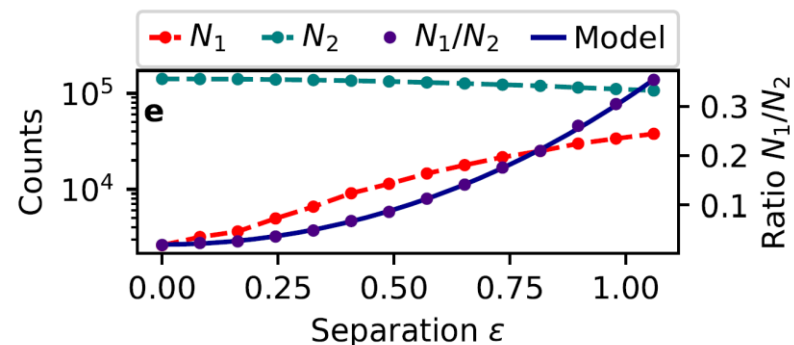
$$d\mathcal{F}_i = \frac{1}{p_i(\omega)} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon} p_i(\omega) \right)^2 d\omega$$

$$\mathcal{F}_i = \int_{\Omega} d\mathcal{F}_i$$



The symmetric port serves only as a source brightness reference and for small separations contains no information

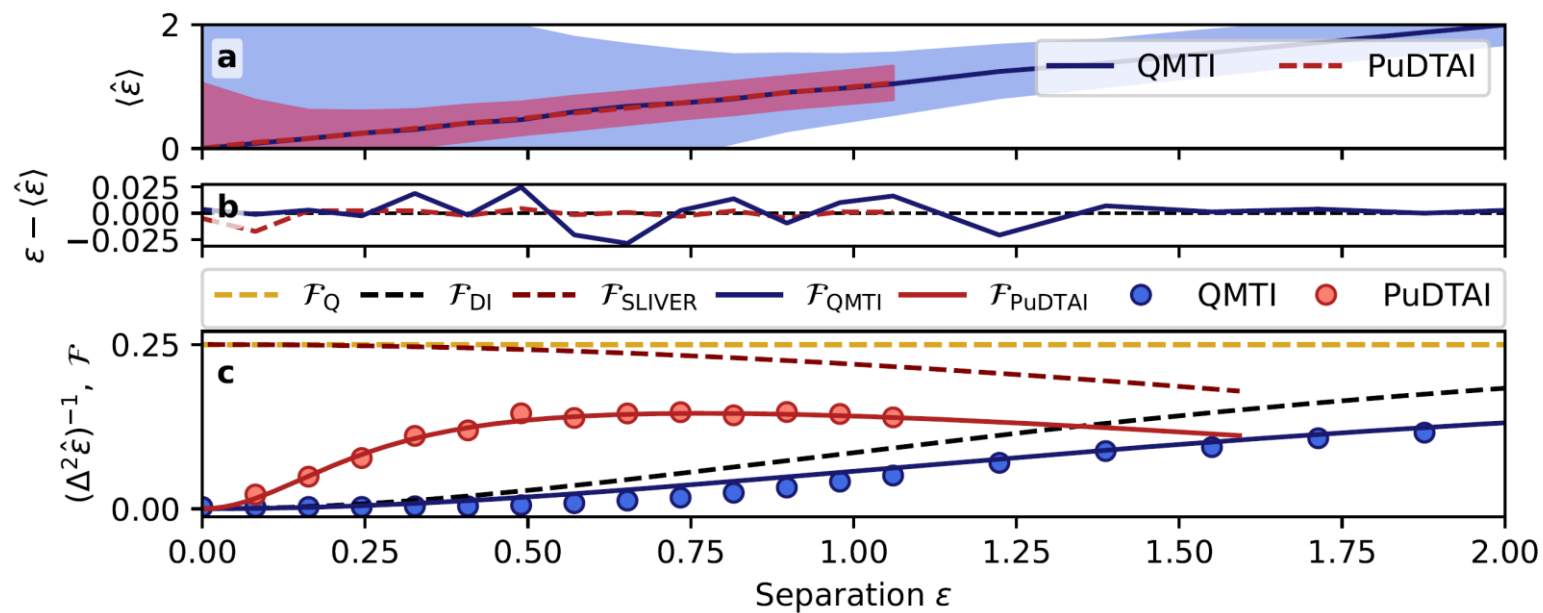
# Separation estimation



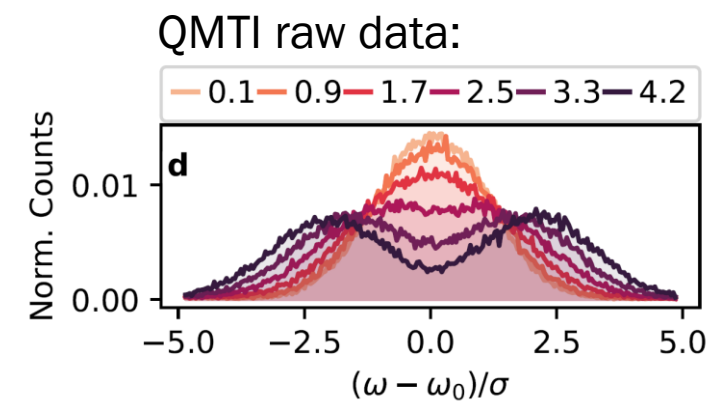
$$p_1 = \eta_1 \eta_1^{\text{th}} \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \nu_1 e^{-\frac{\varepsilon^2}{8}} \right) \rightarrow N_1$$

$$p_2 = \eta_2 \eta_2^{\text{th}} \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \nu_2 e^{-\frac{\varepsilon^2}{8}} \right) \rightarrow N_2$$

$\hat{\varepsilon}(N_1/N_2)$

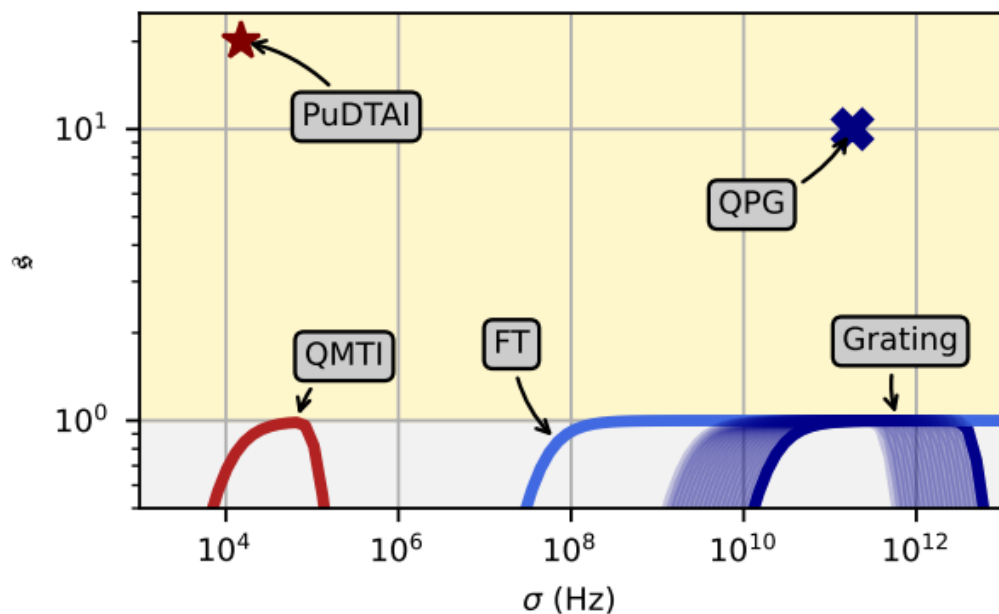


Maximum likelihood estimation  
in both cases



# Comparison

Our approach: PuDTAI

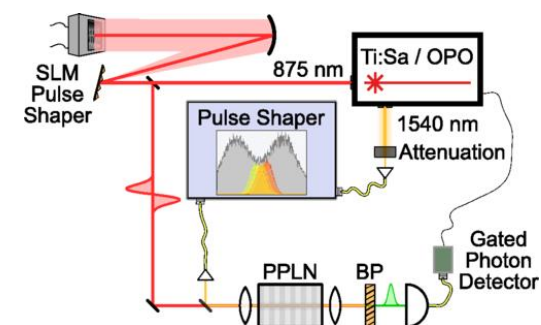


Superresolution parameter:

$$s = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} (\mathcal{F} / \mathcal{F}_{DI})$$

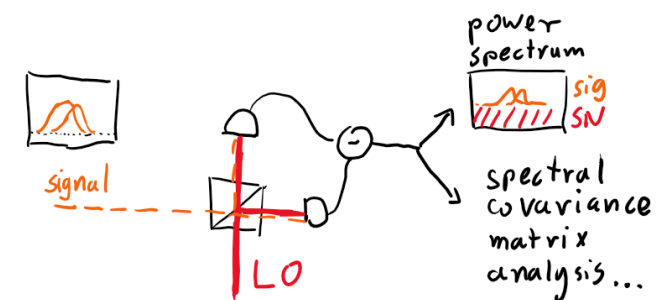
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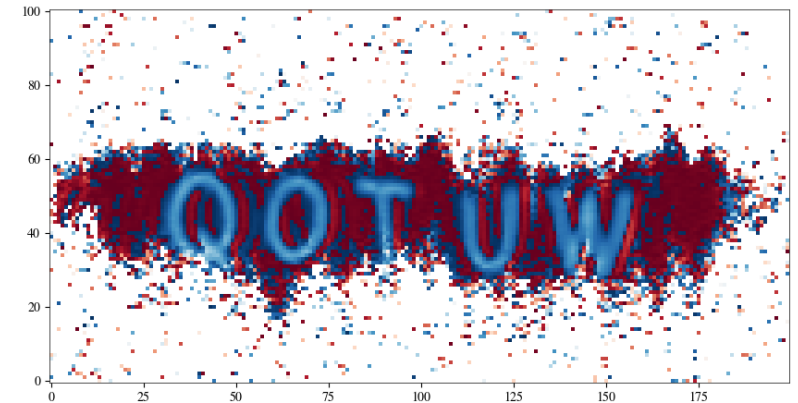
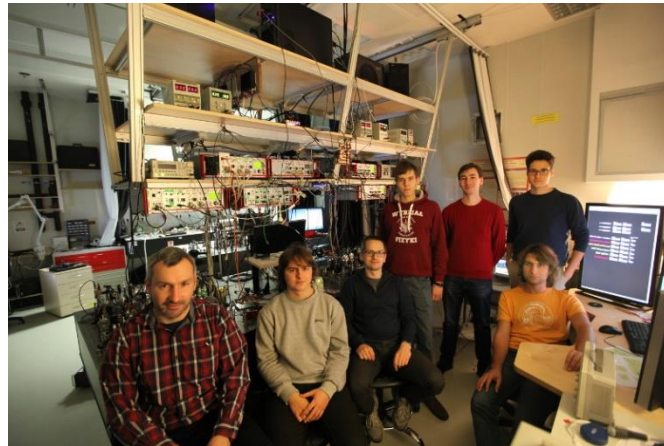
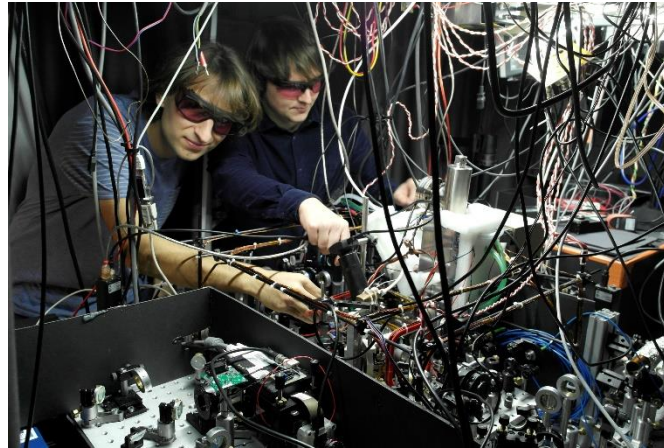
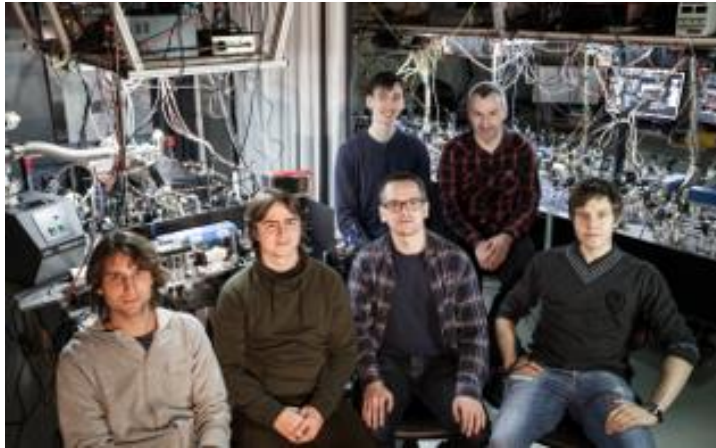


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