

Using Entangled Photons to Enhance Tomography, Photoemission, Microscopy, and Lithography

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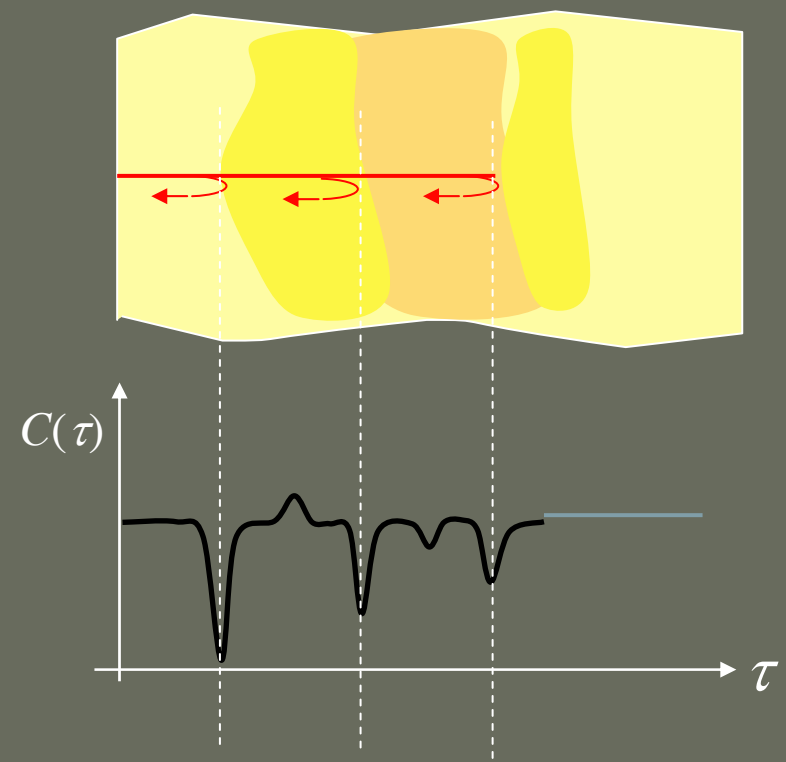
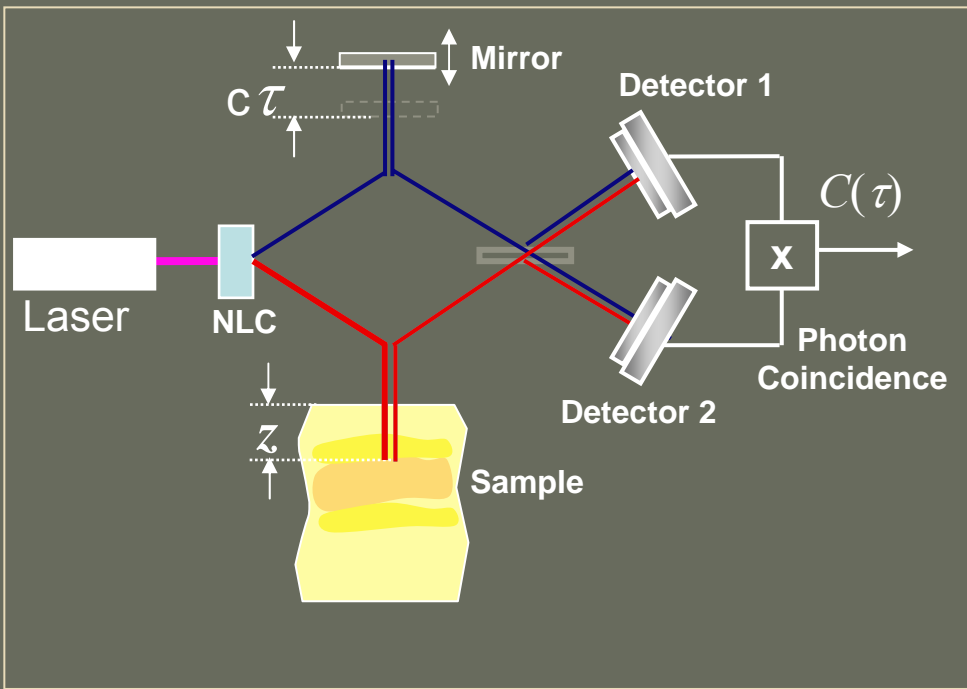
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[Other applications include distributed imaging and holography, quantum metrology and ellipsometry, quantum information and communications]



Quantum Optical Coherence Tomography (QOCT)

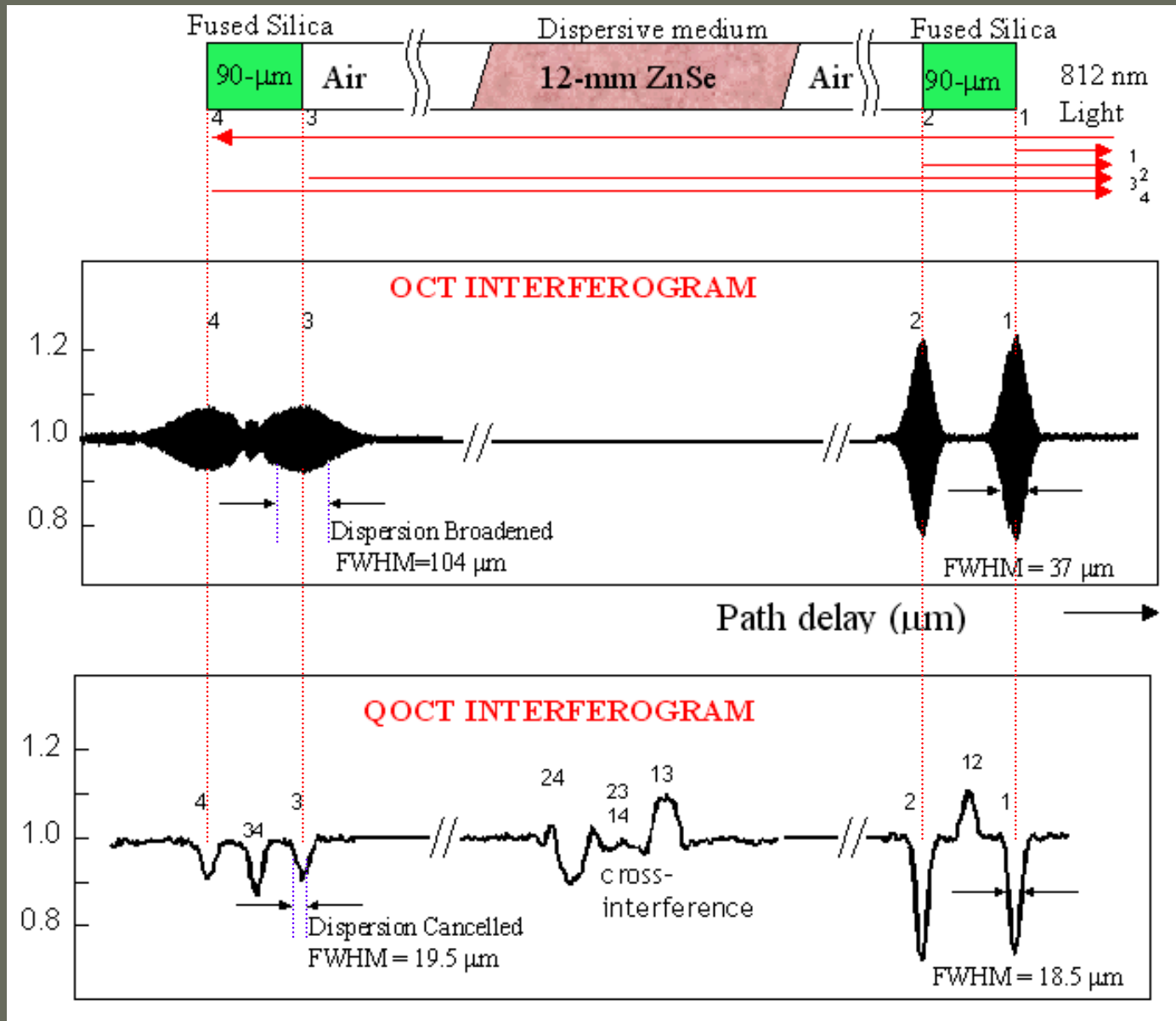
= OCT based on quantum interferometry of spectrally-entangled photons generated by downconverted light from a nonlinear crystal



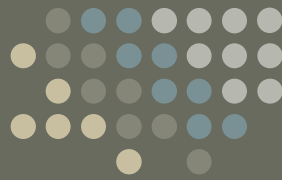
Advantages of QOCT

- ❑ Factor of 2 improvement in axial resolution for same spectral width
- ❑ Insensitivity to group-velocity dispersion with concomitant improvement in axial resolution

Dispersion-Free QOCT (Experiment)



After Nasr et al., *Opt. Exp.* 12, 1353-1362 (2004)



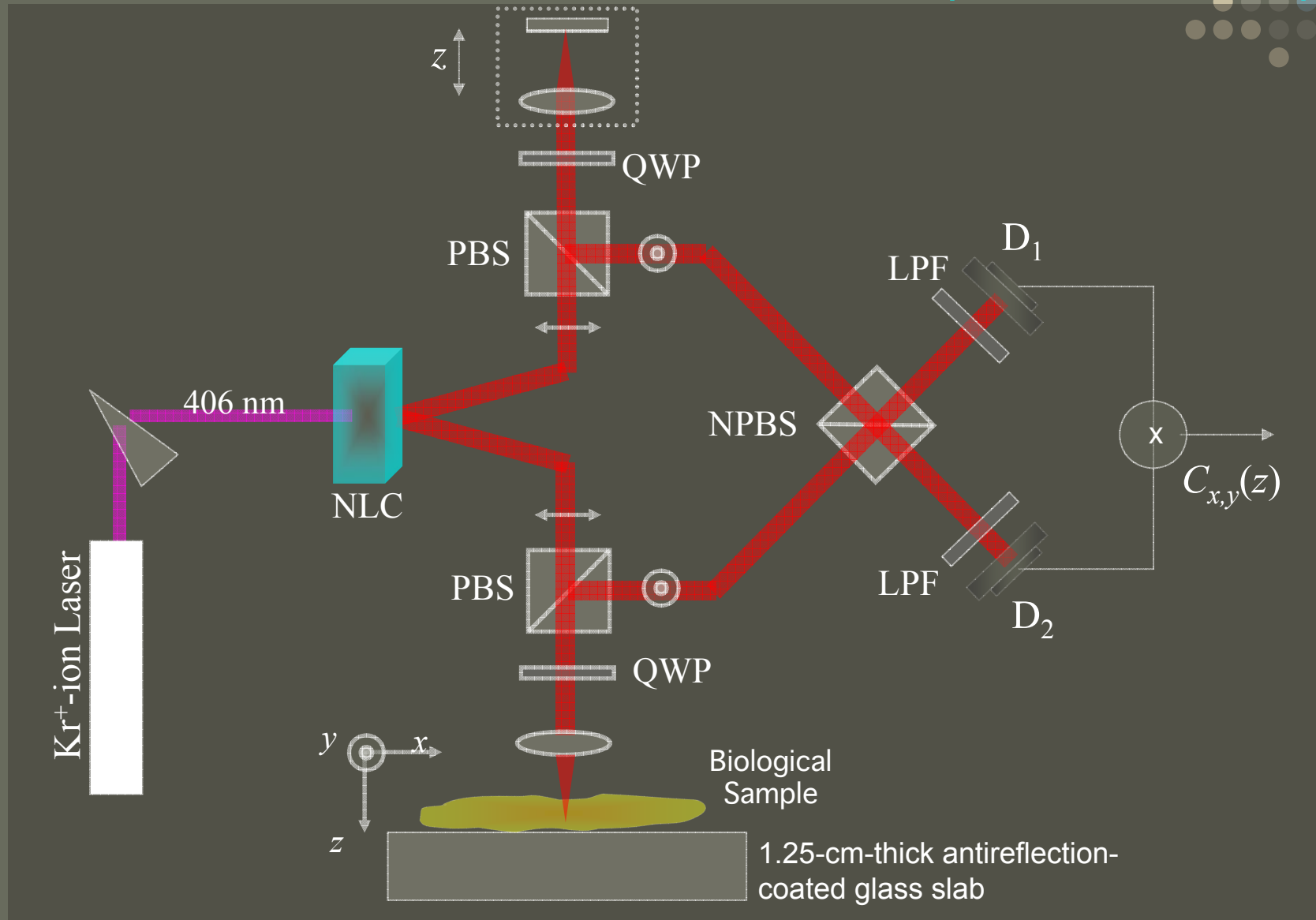
Challenges

- Not enough photons (long run time). 3D imaging is not viable
- Poor axial resolution ($19\ \mu\text{m}$). Source bandwidth too narrow
- Not certain about quantum entanglement in the nonplanar scattering/diffusive media such as biological samples

Improvements Enabling Biological QOCT

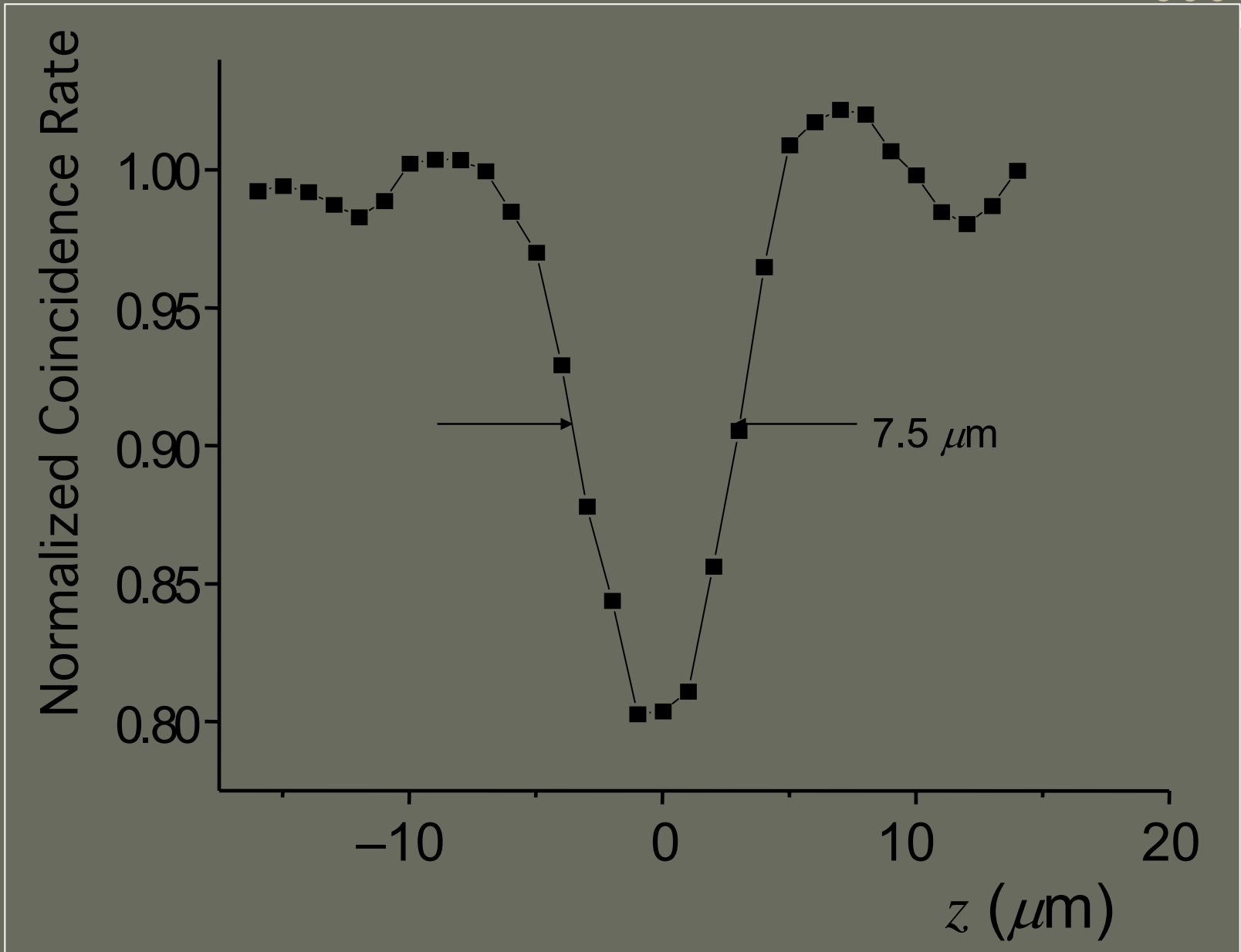
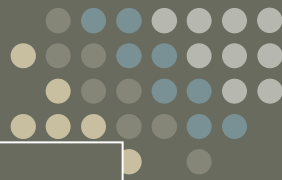
- Compact optical configuration
- Use of lenses to enhance spatial resolution
- Use of PBS/QWPs to increase photon flux (factor of 4)
- Enhanced sample preparation using gold nanoparticles

QOCT of Onion-Skin Cells in 3D (Experiment)



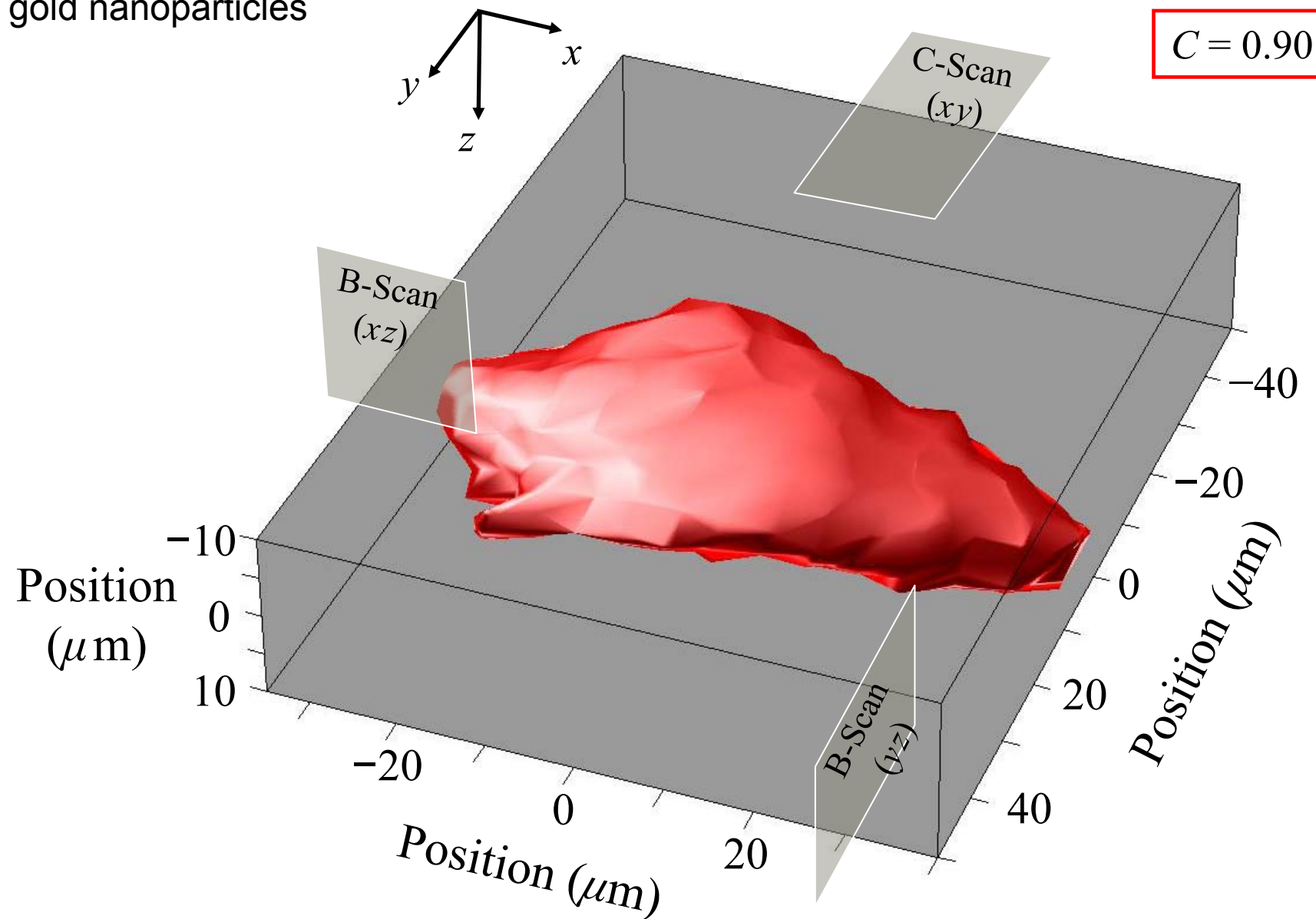
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A-Scan

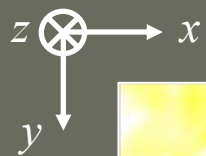


3D contours of constant coincidence

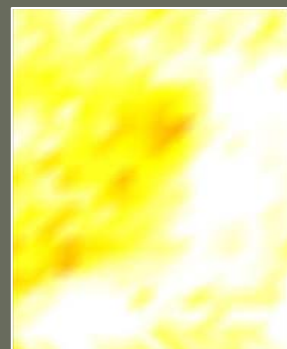
Sample coated with BSA-functionalized gold nanoparticles



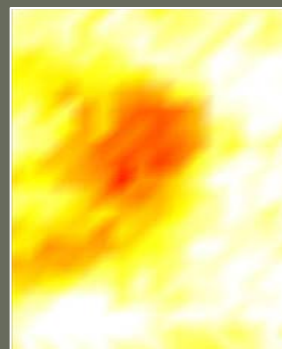
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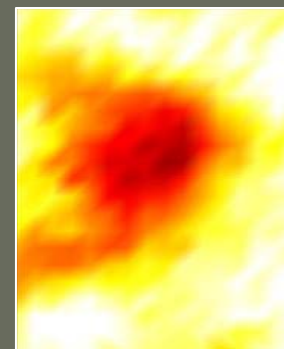
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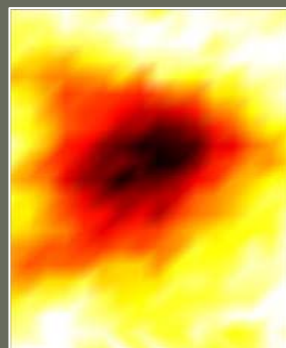
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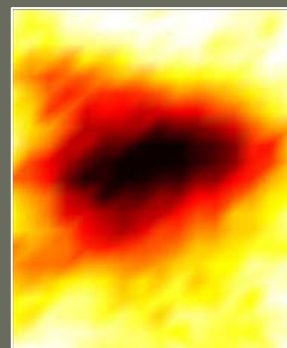
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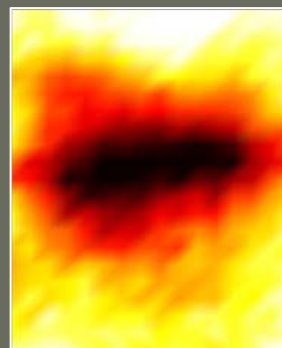
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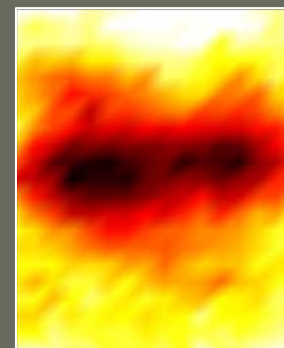
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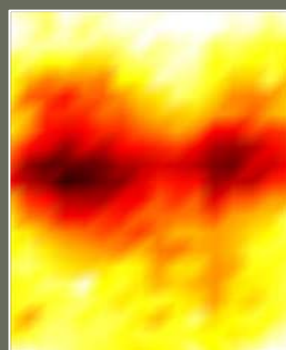
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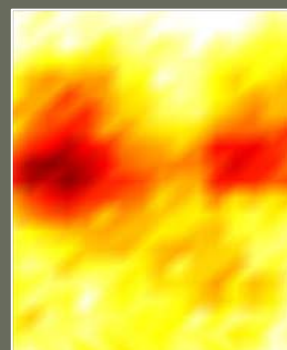
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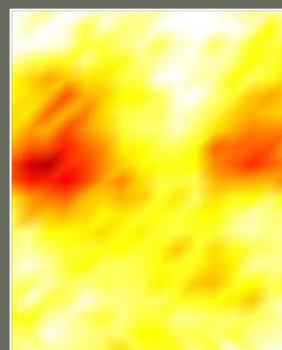
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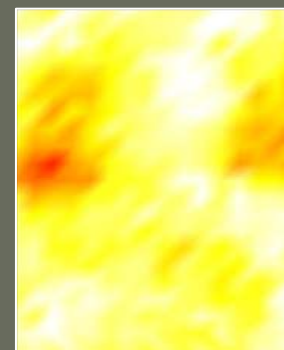
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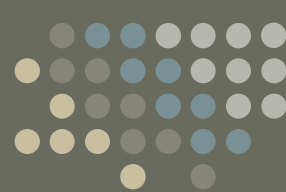
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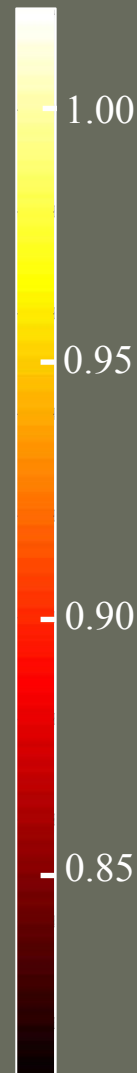
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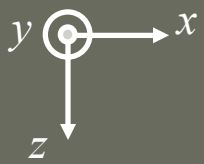
$75 \mu\text{m}$

$100 \mu\text{m}$



Normalized Coincidence Rate





B-Scans

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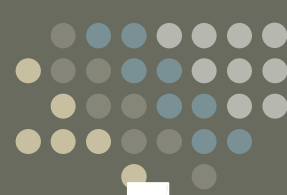
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$75 \mu\text{m}$

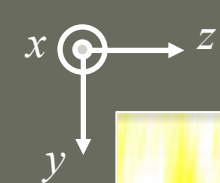
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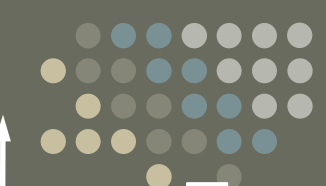
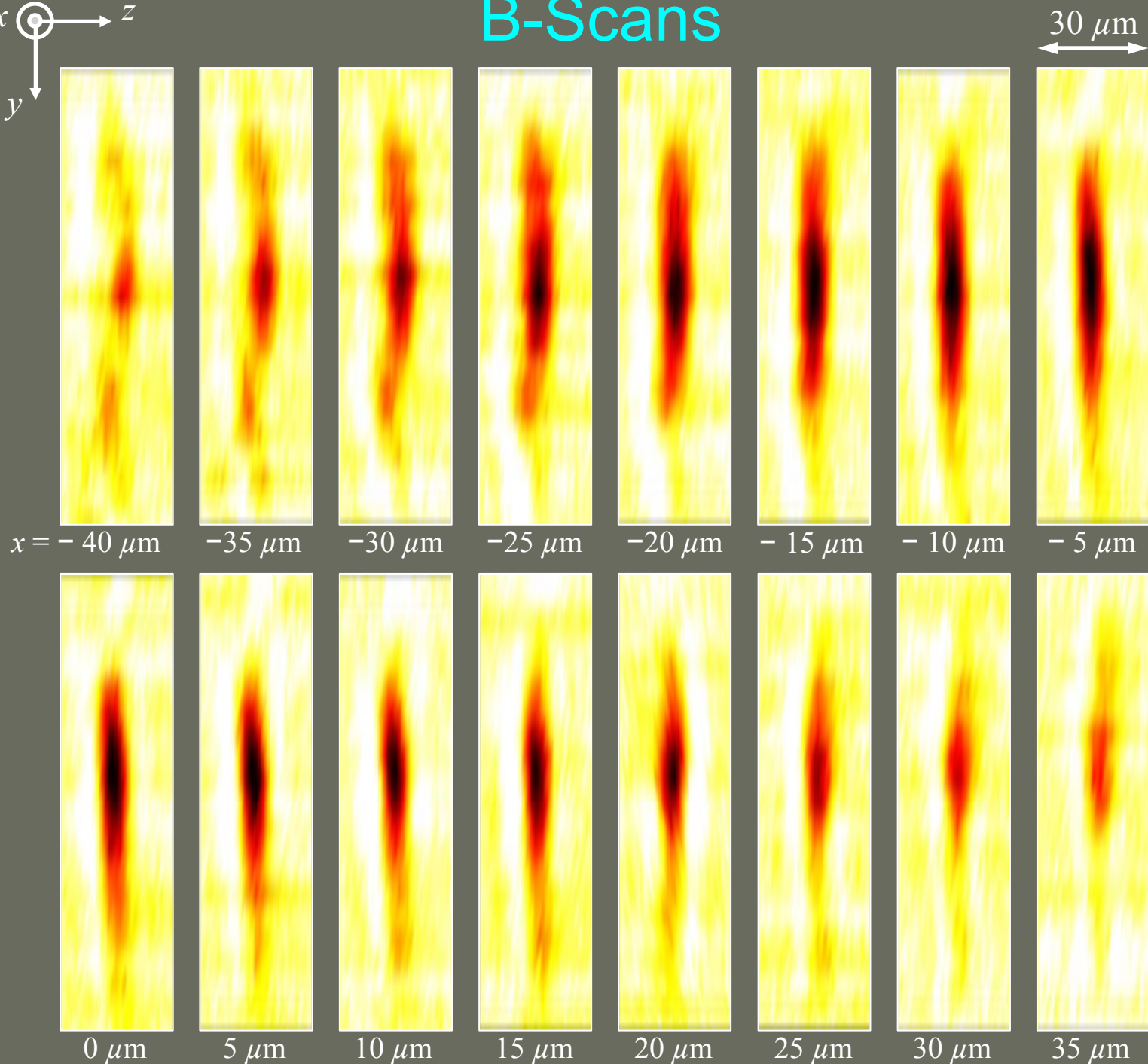
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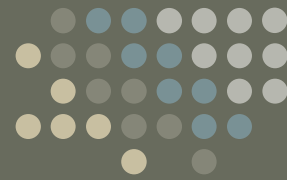
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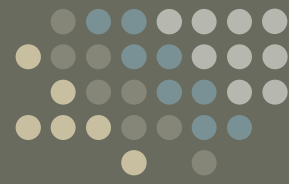
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Biological QOCT: Summary

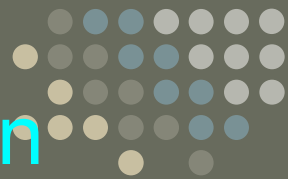


- First demonstration of the interaction of a quantum-entangled entity and a biological system (nonplanar, scattering, diffusive medium) — entanglement survived the interaction to create an image
- Demonstration of the viability of quantum 3D imaging of a biological sample
- Gold nanoparticles were used to enhance the sample reflectance — a new paradigm for quantum imaging
- Axial resolution ($7.5 \mu\text{m}$) can be improved to $1 \mu\text{m}$. Transverse resolution ($12 \mu\text{m}$) can also be improved
- Scan time remains too long (but pump power was only 2 mW, corresponding to 0.5 pW of downconverted photons or 10^6 photon pairs/sec)

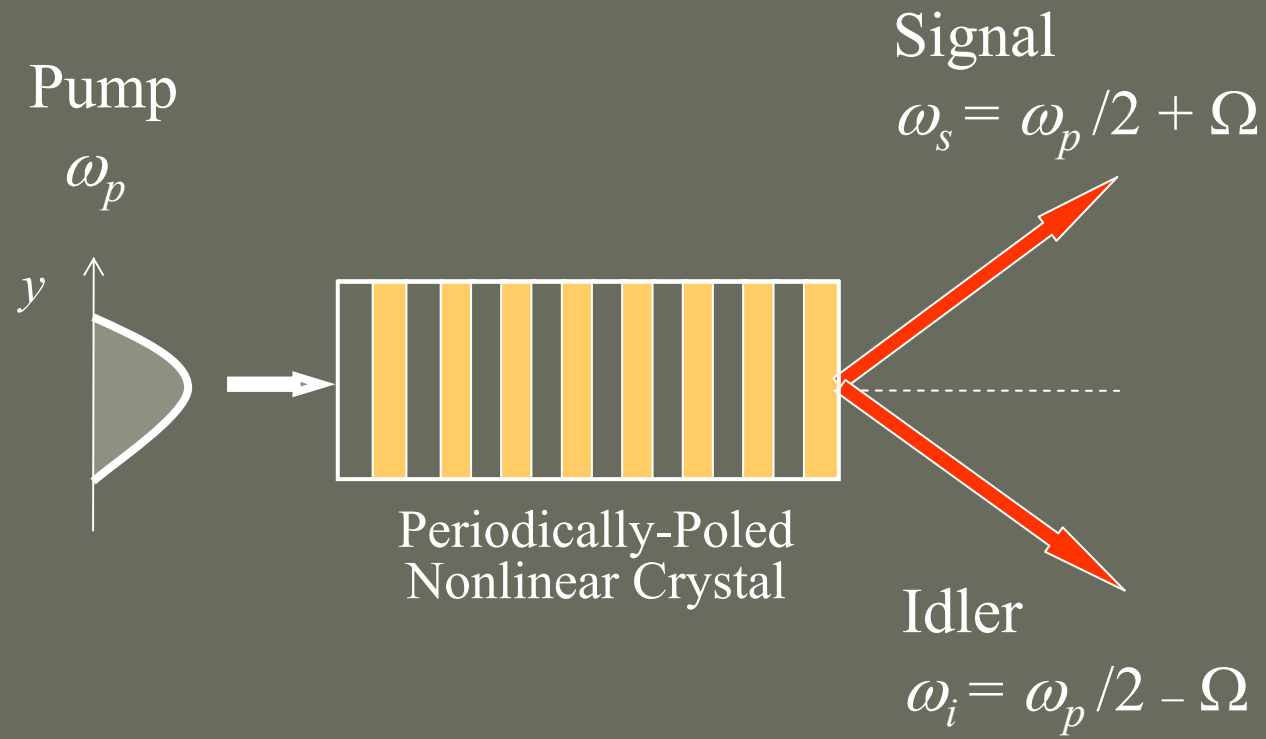


Further Improvements

- Quasi-phase matching (increased source flux)
- Chirped quasi-phase matching (increased source bandwidth)
- SSPDs (increased detector bandwidth)
- Odd-order, as well as even-order, dispersion cancelation
- Use of ultrafast compression techniques for biphotons

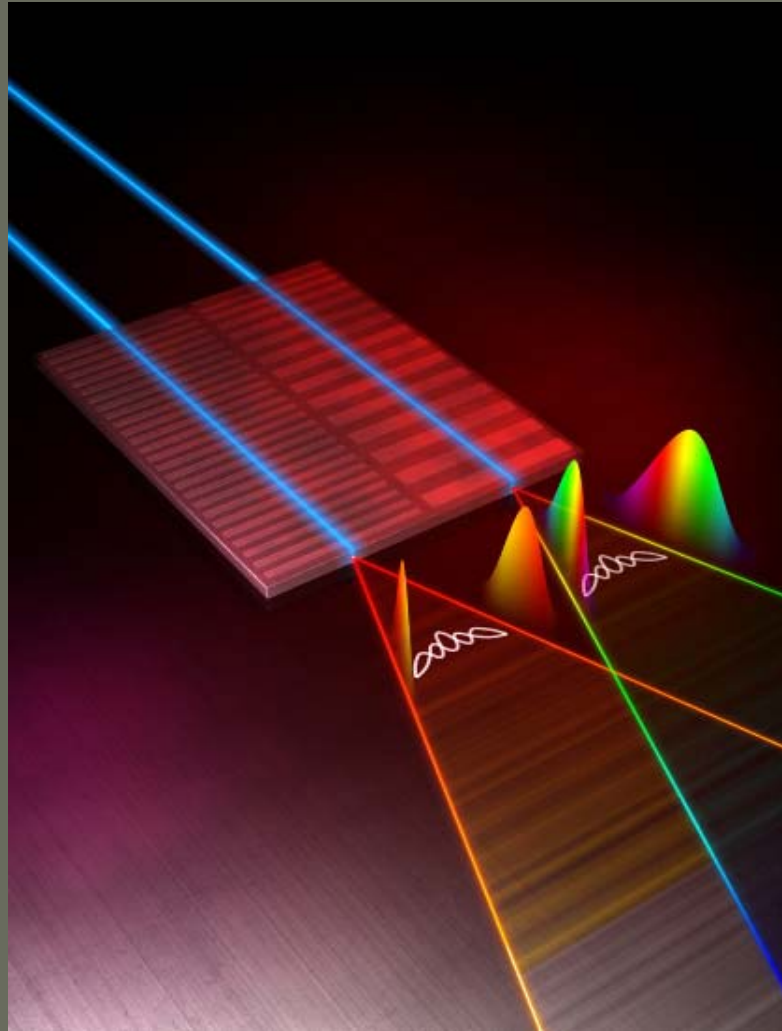


Quasi-Phase-Matched Downconversion



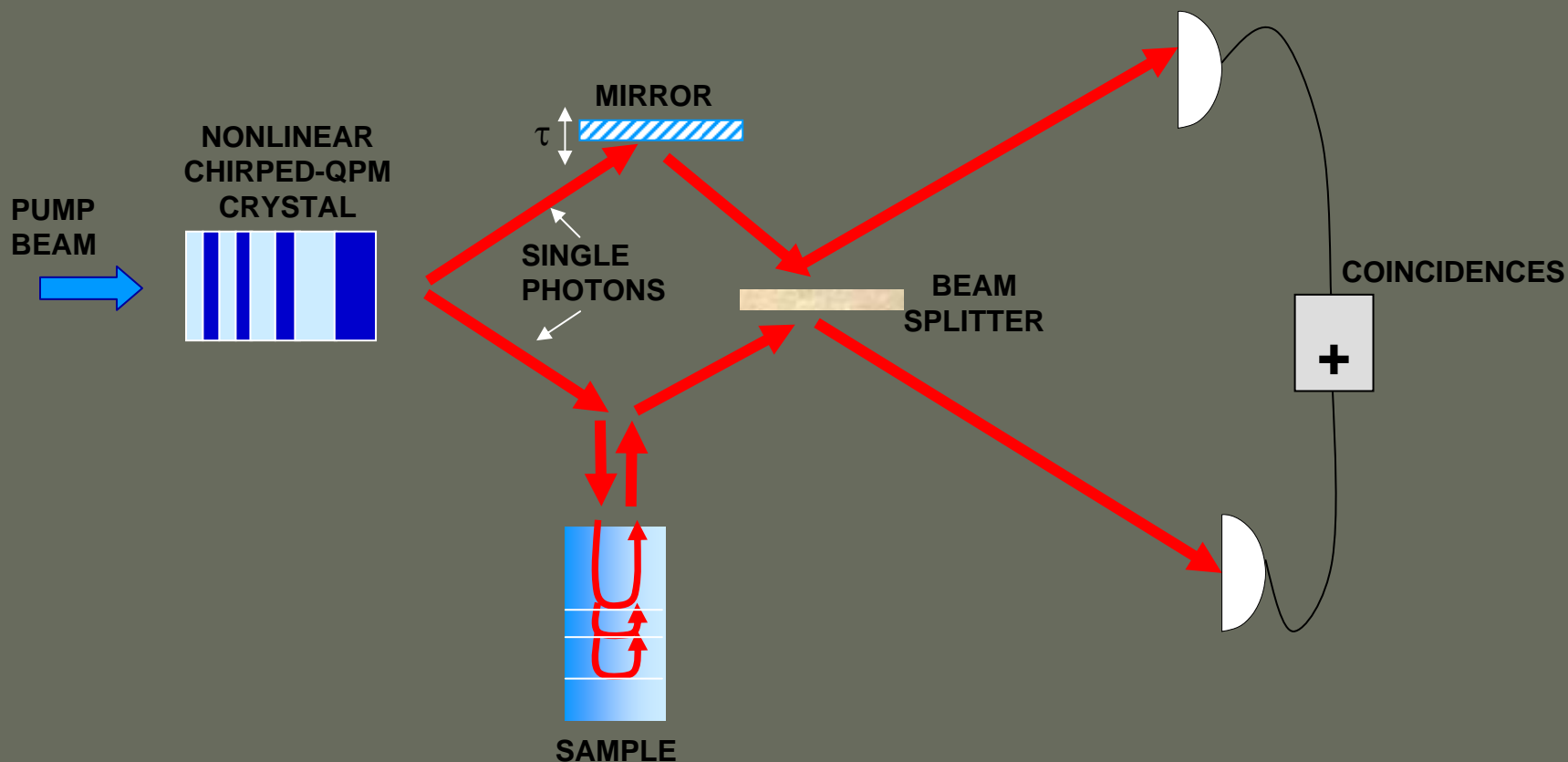
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Chirped Quasi-Phase-Matched Downconversion



Yields: Increased spectral bandwidth

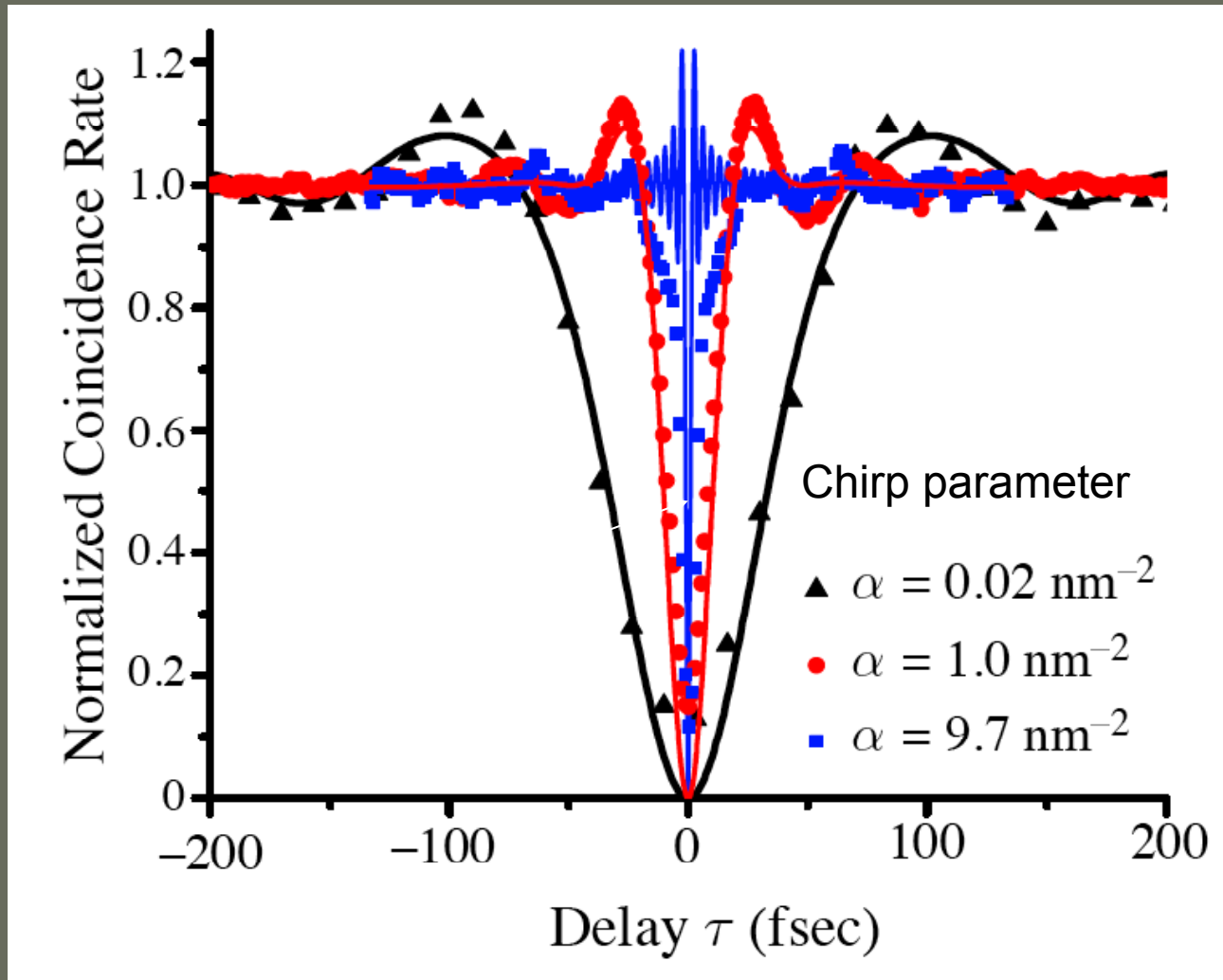
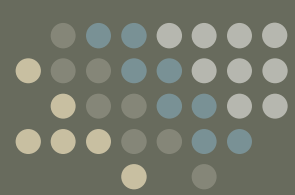
QOCT with Chirped-QPM Downconversion



Increased spectral bandwidth yields enhanced resolution

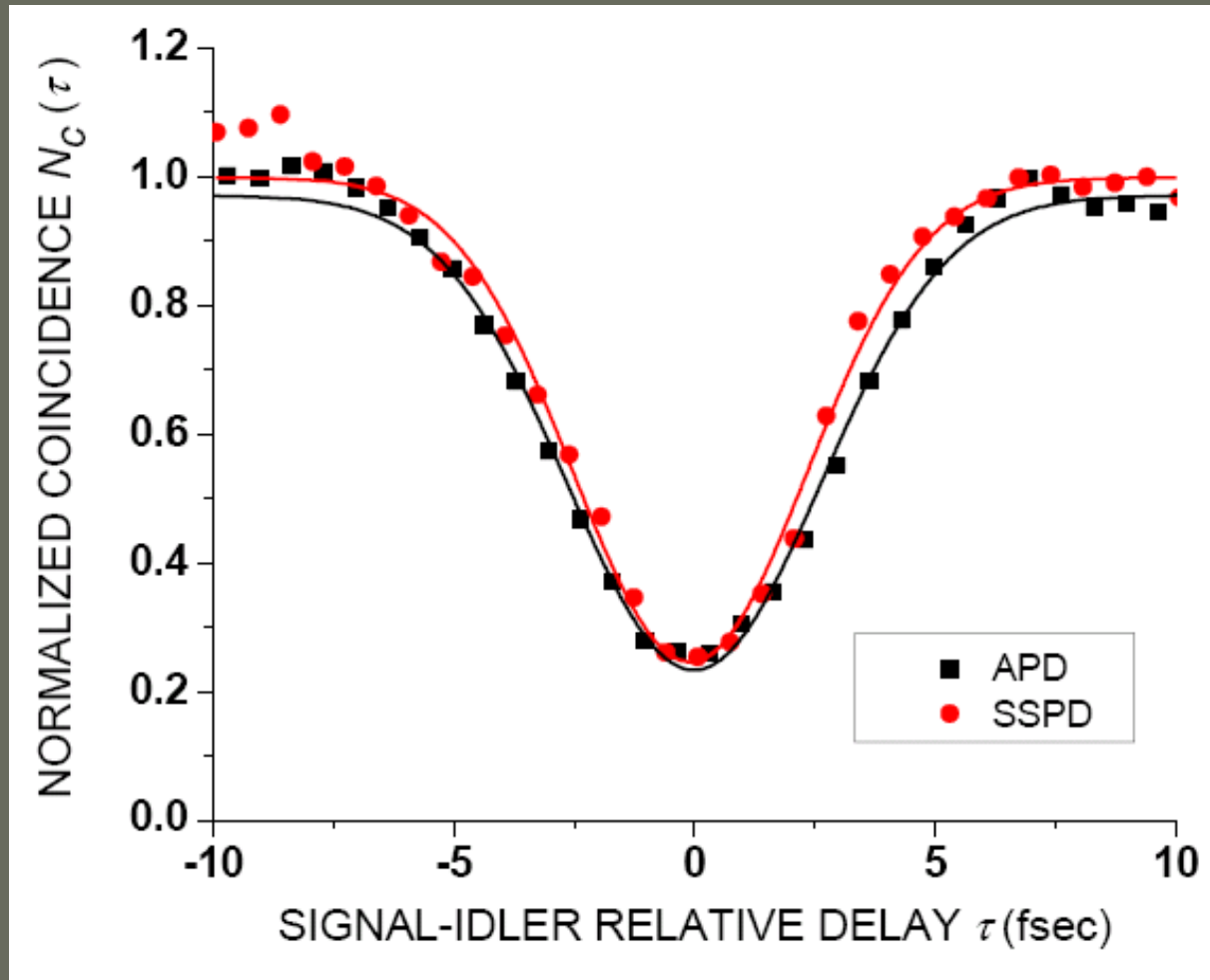
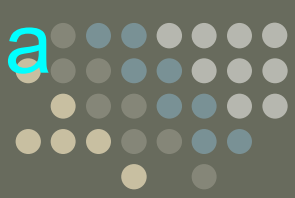
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Enhancement of QOCT Resolution via Chirped QPM: 19 μm to 1 μm



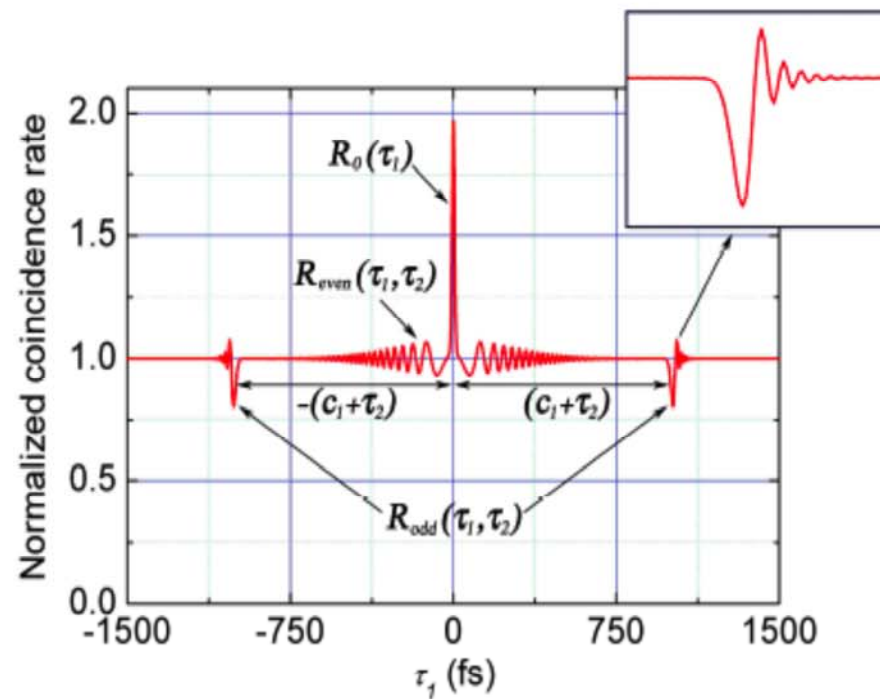
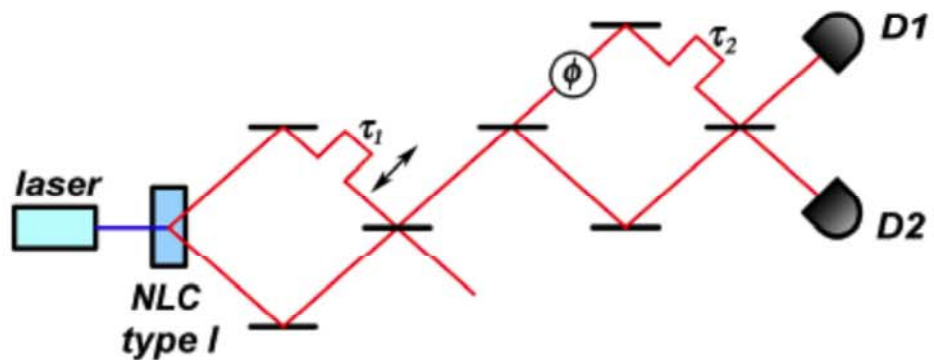
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Enhancement of QOCT Resolution via Increase in Detector Bandwidth



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Odd-Order and Even-Order Dispersion Cancellation

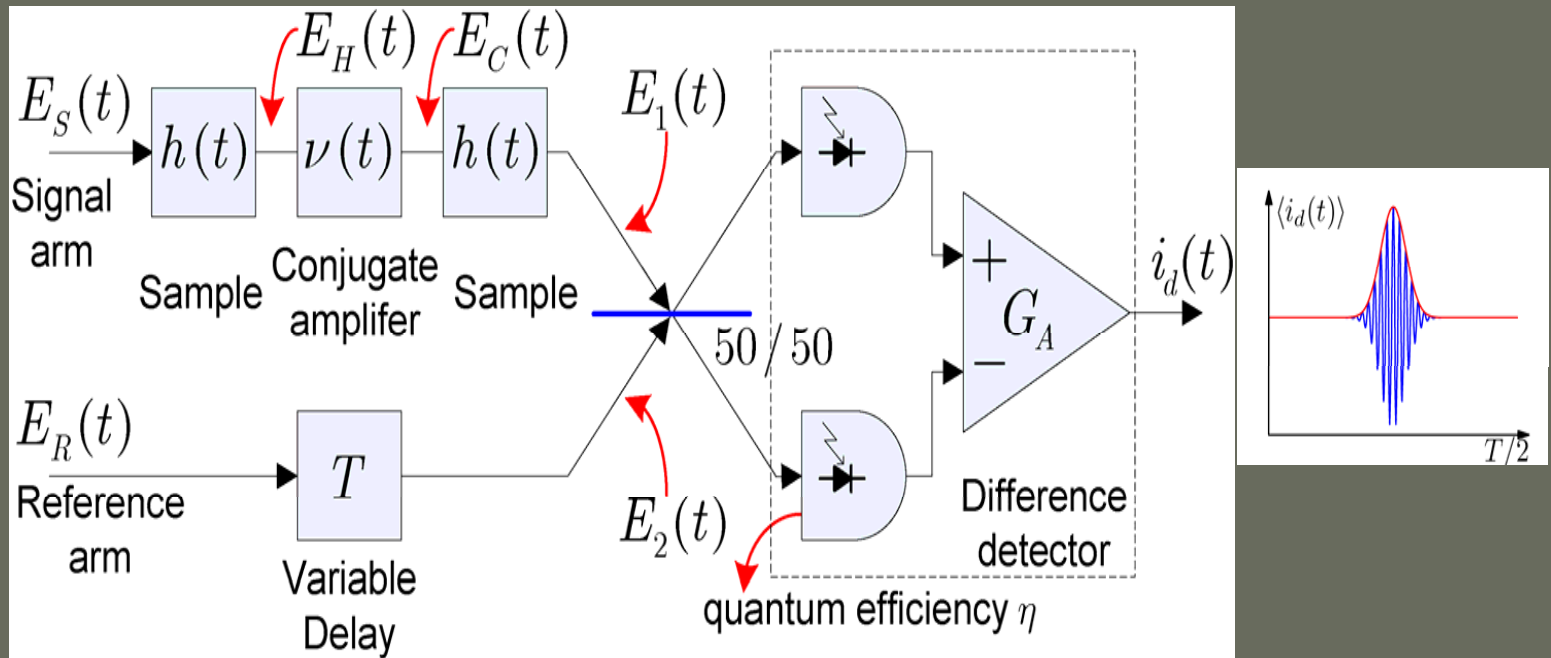


Simultaneous odd- and even-order dispersion cancellation in quantum interferometry

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Phase-Sensitive Optical Coherence Tomography

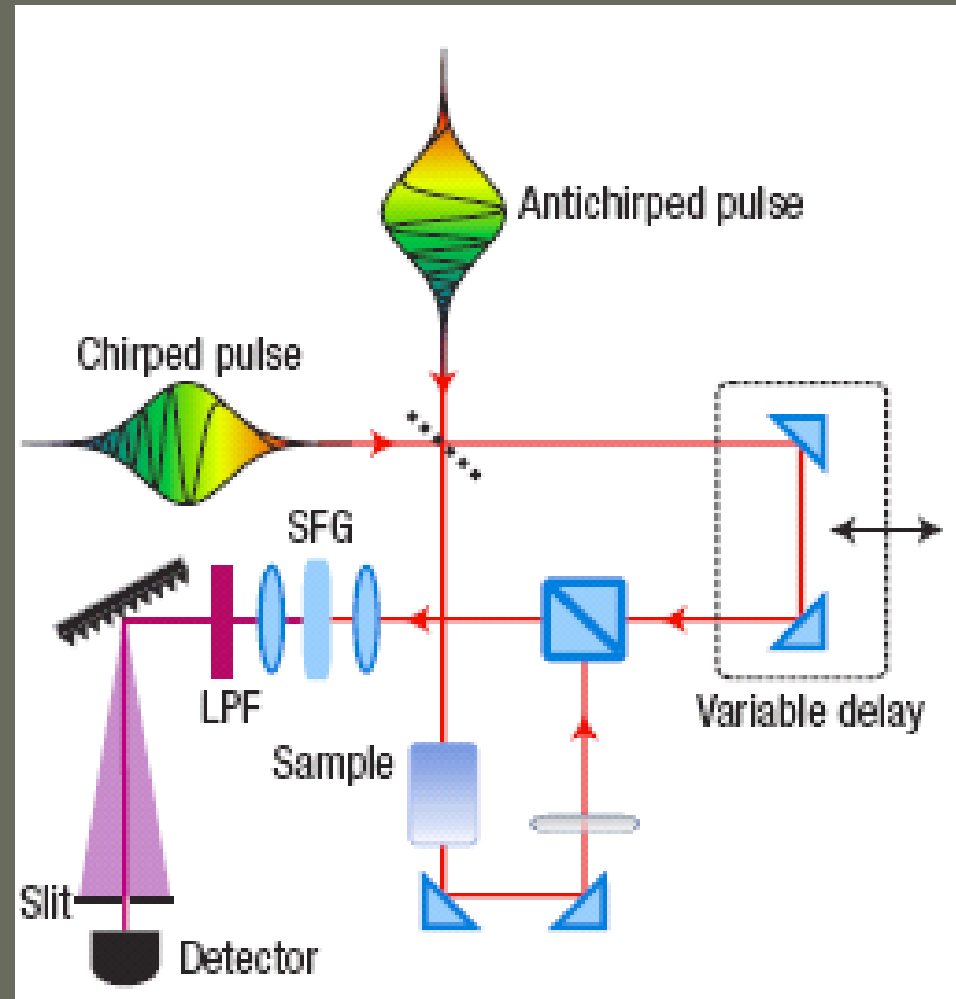


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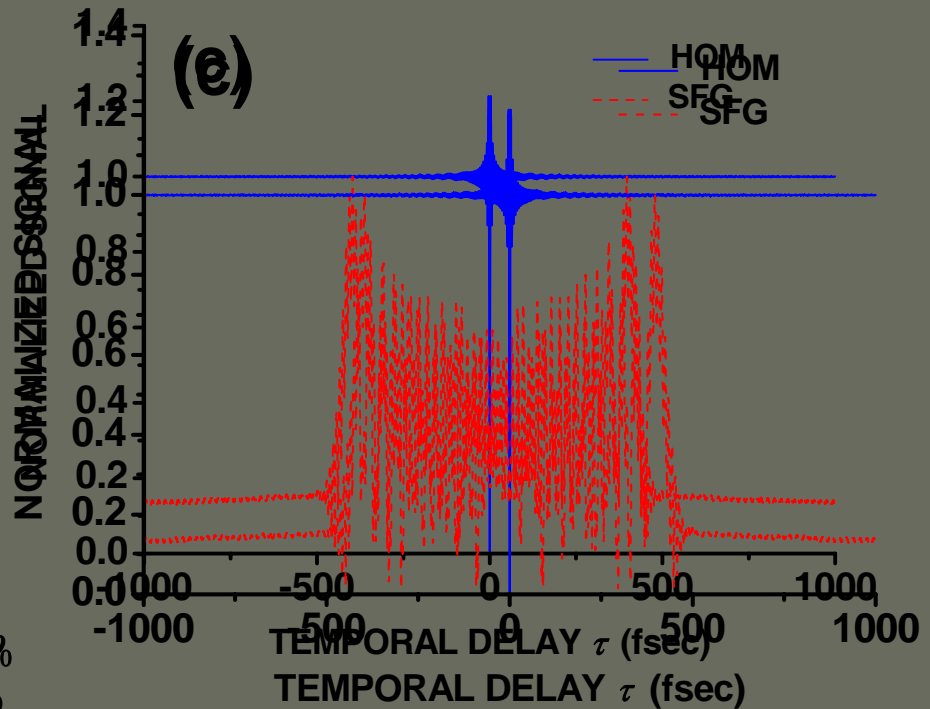
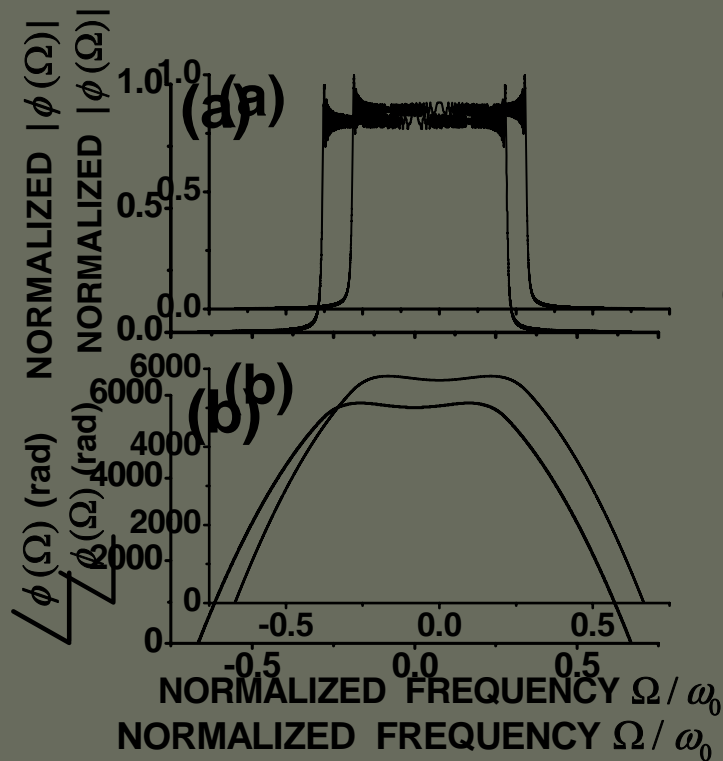


Chirped-Pulse Interferometry Using SFG (Time-Reversed HOM)



R. Kaltenbaek, J. Lavoie, D. N. Biggerstaff, and K. J. Resch, "Quantum-Inspired Interferometry with Chirped Laser Pulses," *Nature Physics*, in press (2008).

Biphoton Compression Makes Entangled-Photon Photoemission, Microscopy, and Lithography Work

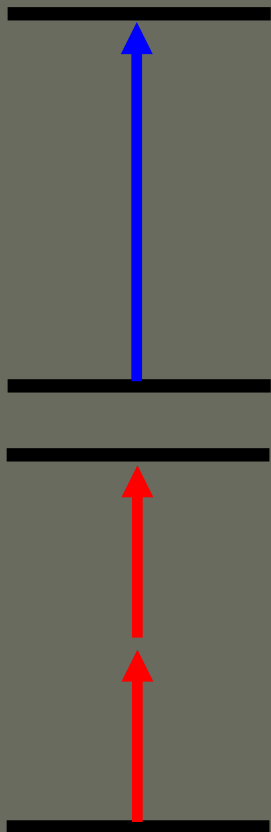


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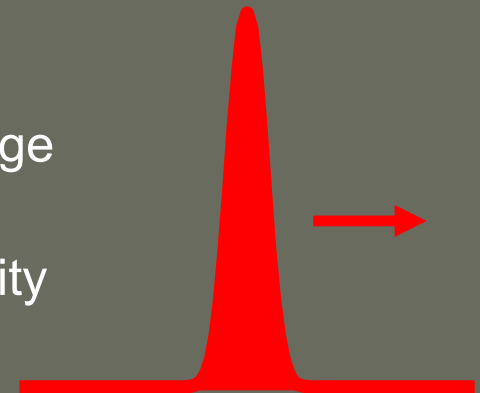
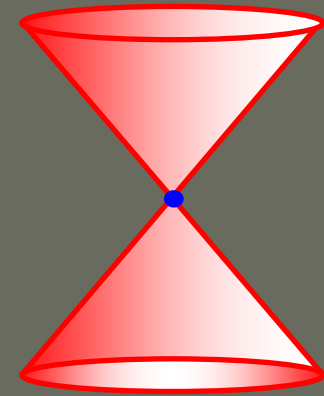
Multiphoton Excitation VS Entangled-Photon Excitation



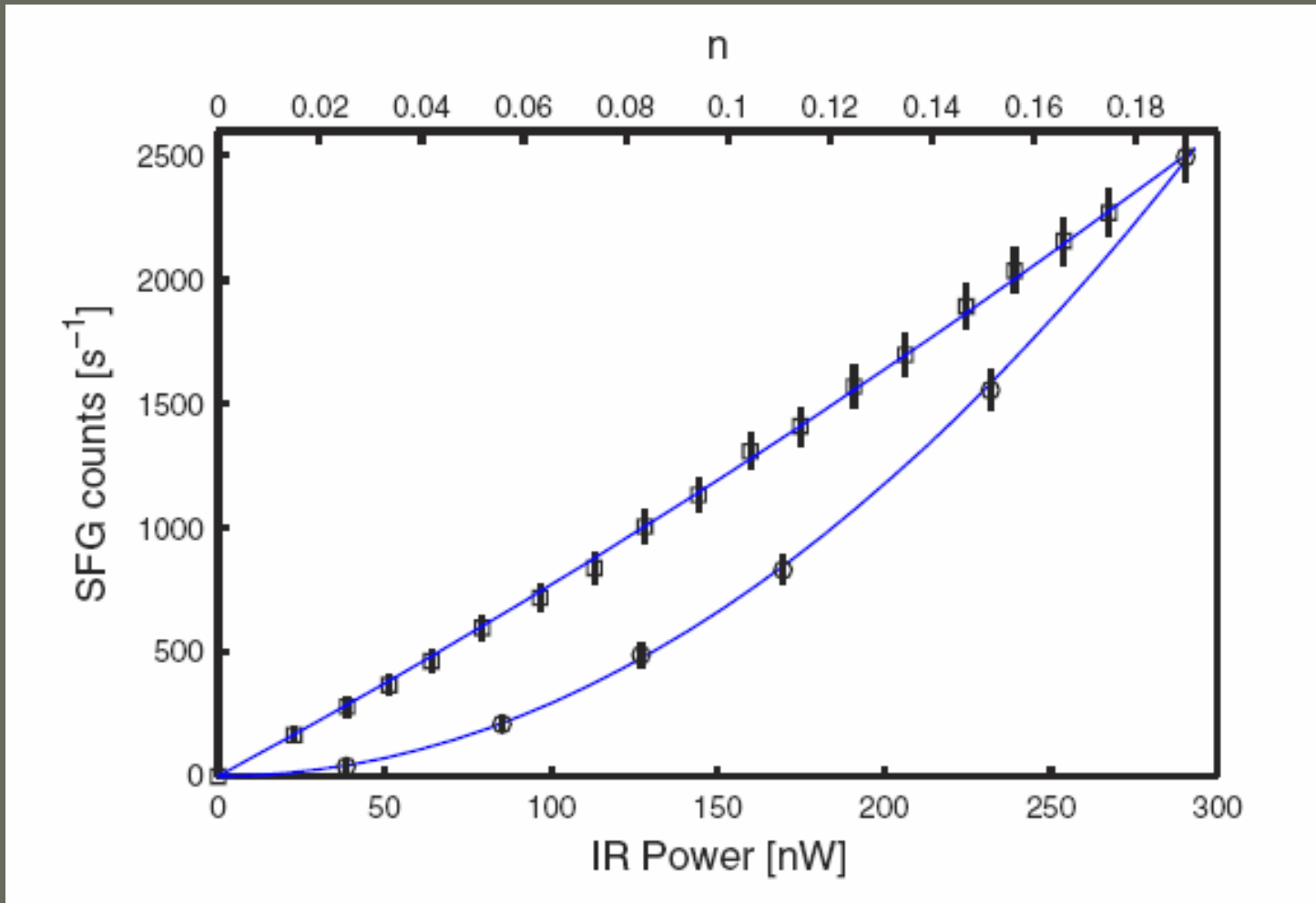
Optics & Photonics News 11, 40 (2000)



- For classical light, probability of simultaneous absorption of n photons $\propto I^n$
- Multiphoton absorption more likely in regions of high light intensity
- Excitation (photoemission, fluorescence, lithography, photochemistry, n photons can be localized
- Ultrafast light pulses have high peak intensities, allowing MPE at low average power
- For entangled- n -photon light, probability of simultaneous absorption of n photons $\propto I$

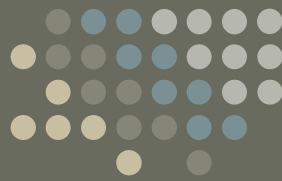


Entangled-Photon SFG (Experiment)



After Dayan, Pe'er, Friesem, and Silberberg, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **94**, 043602 (2005)

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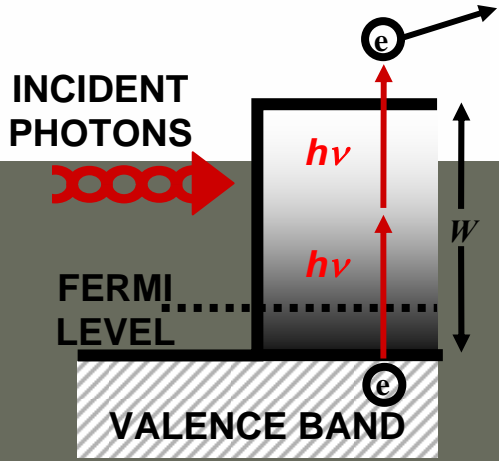
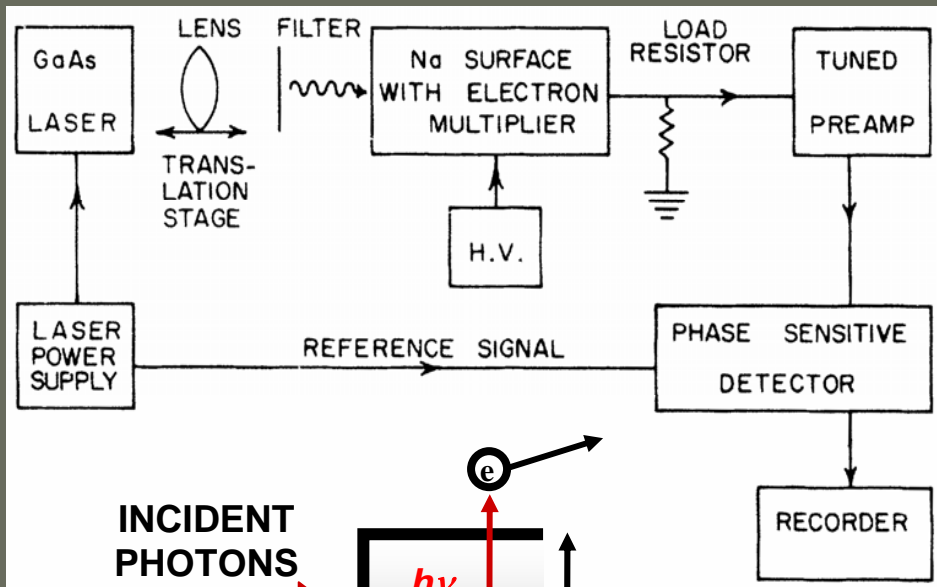
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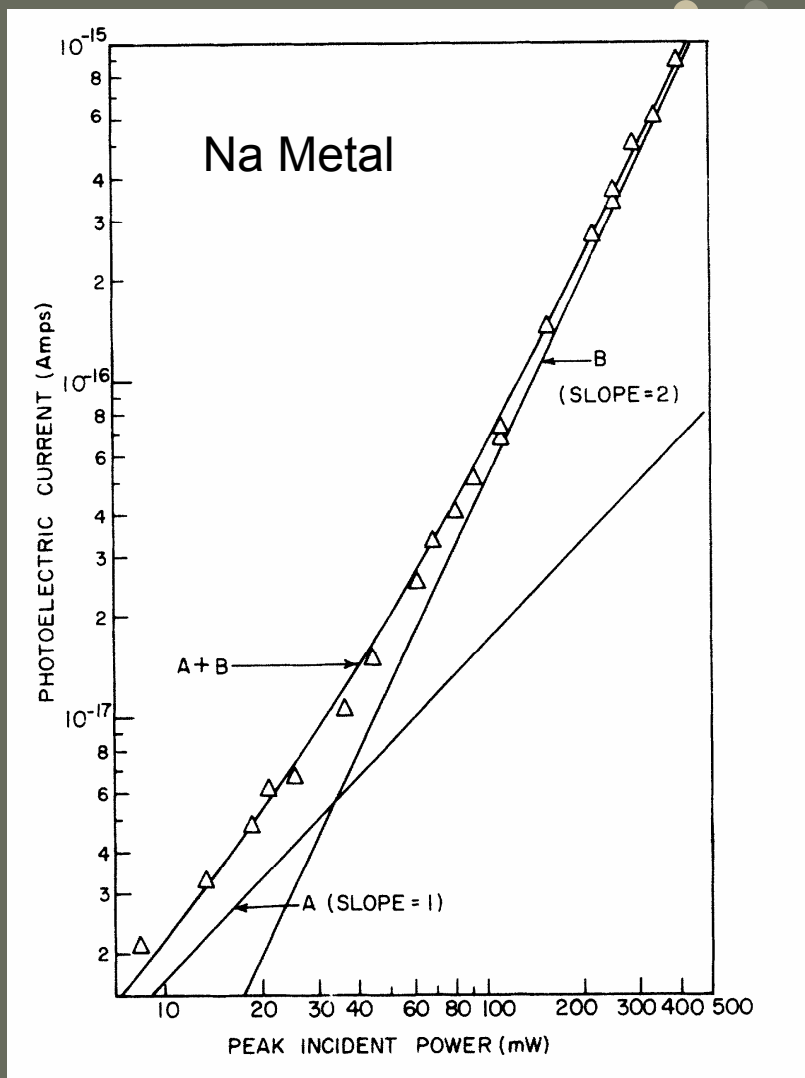
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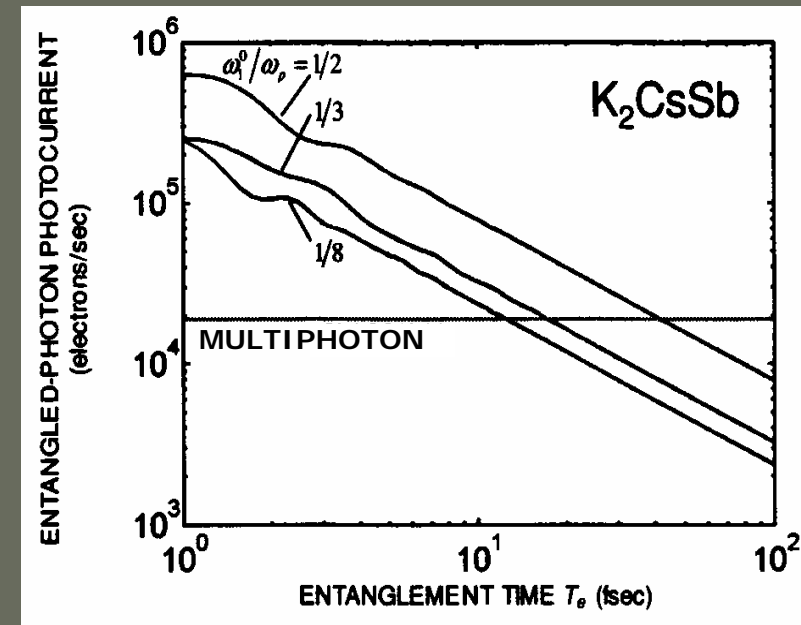
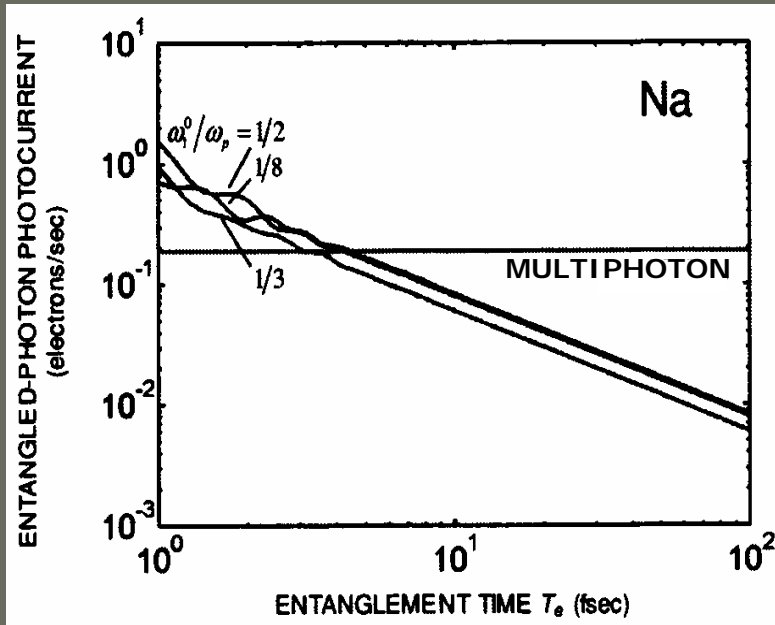


$$E_{\max} = h\nu - W \text{ (Einstein)}$$

$$E_{\max} = 2h\nu - W \text{ (2QPE)}$$



Entangled-Photon Photoemission (Theory)



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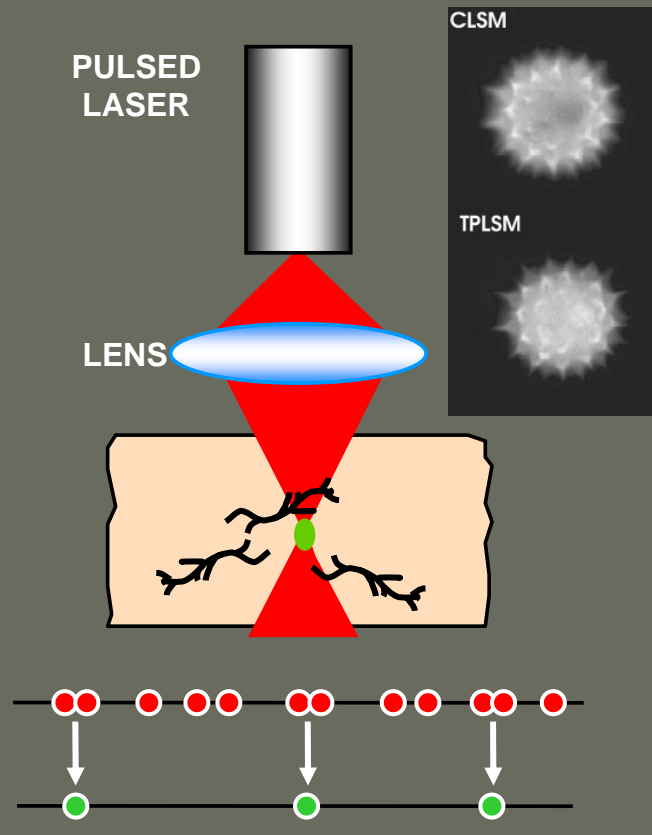
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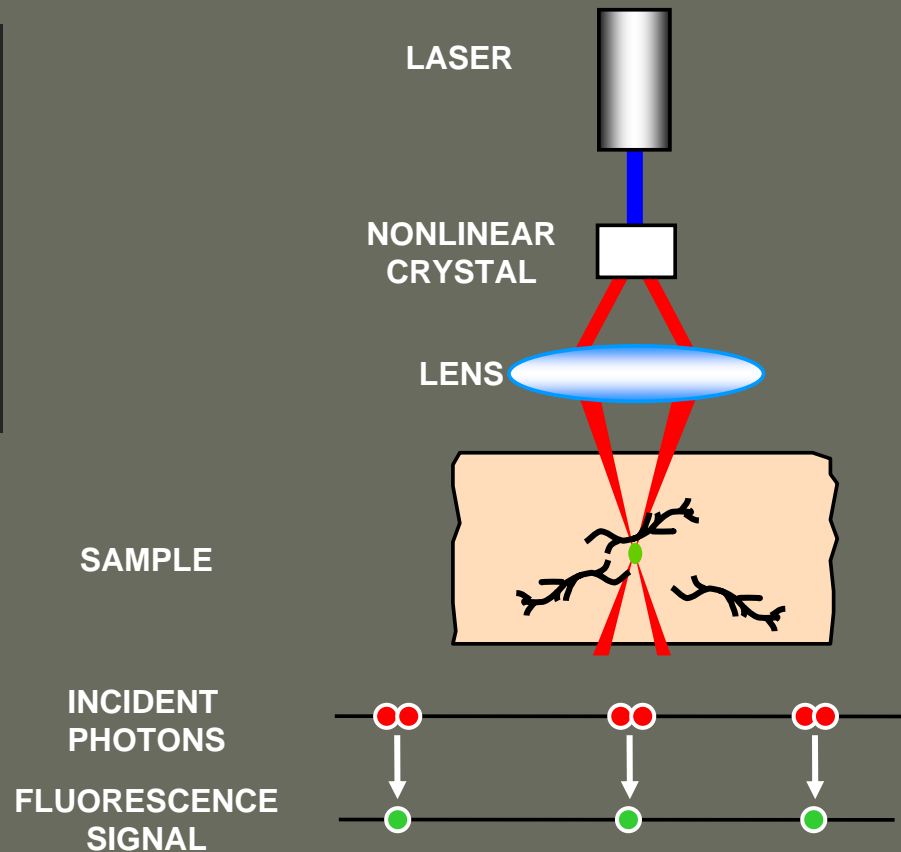
Multiphoton Microscopy



ADVANTANGES: Longer wavelength source penetrates more deeply into tissue. Excitation only occurs only at focal region – eliminates pinhole detectors, increases SNR, and provides optical sectioning capabilities.

DISADVANTAGES: Large photon flux is required. Samples must have broad upper-energy levels. Expensive titanium:sapphire laser system. Sample photodamage.

Entangled-Photon Microscopy



ADVANTANGES: Guaranteed photon pairs create comparable depth penetration but at substantially reduced light levels. Samples do not require broad upper-energy levels. Pump laser can be continuous wave or pulsed.

DISADVANTAGES: Overall photon flux is low. Entangled-photon absorption cross-section and focusing optics are unknown.

After Teich & Saleh, *Československý časopis pro fyziku* 47, 3-8 (1997);
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T: Lissandrin *et al.* (2004)

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- **Microscopy**

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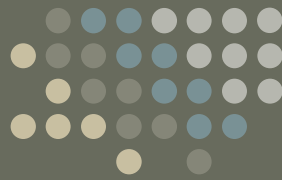
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[Other applications include distributed imaging and holography, quantum metrology and ellipsometry, quantum information and communications]

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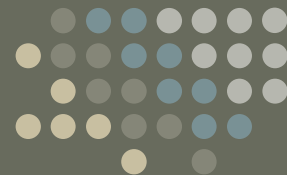


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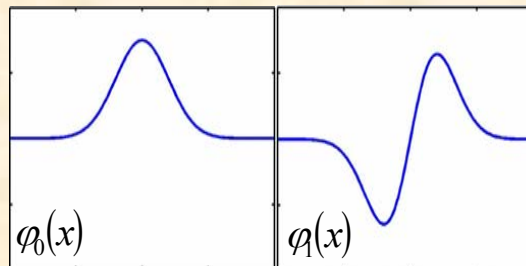


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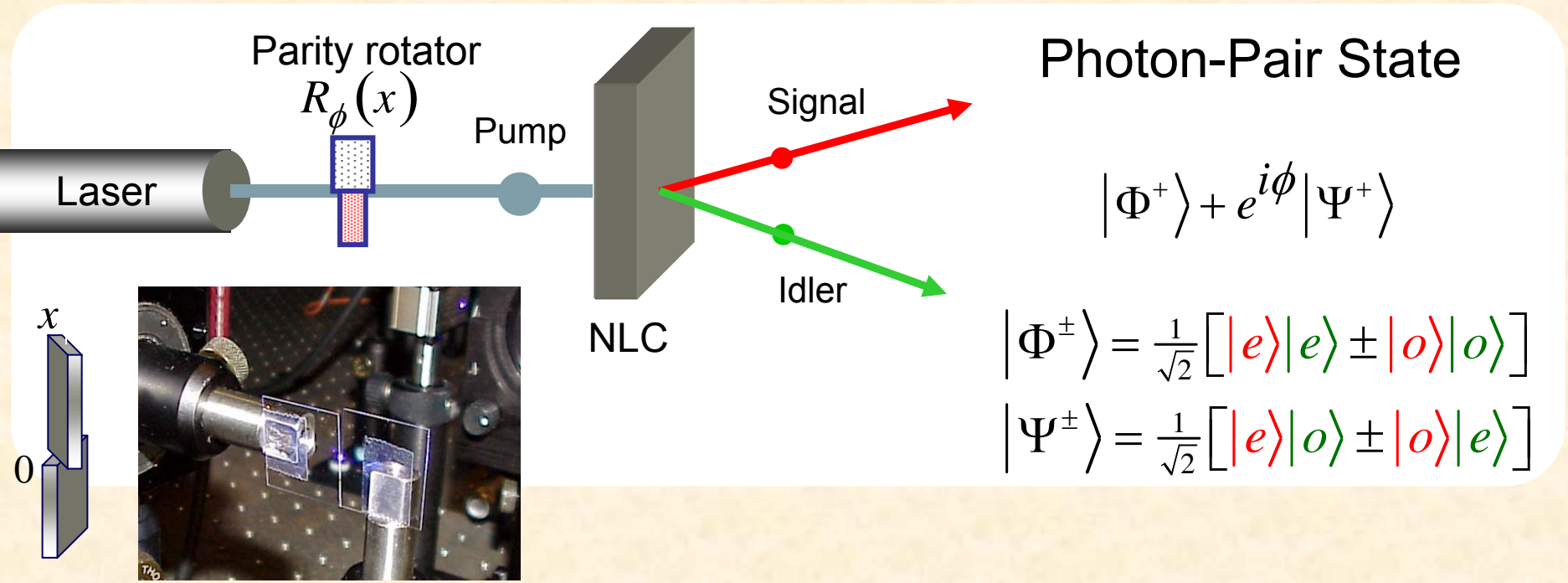
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Spatial Parity Qubits



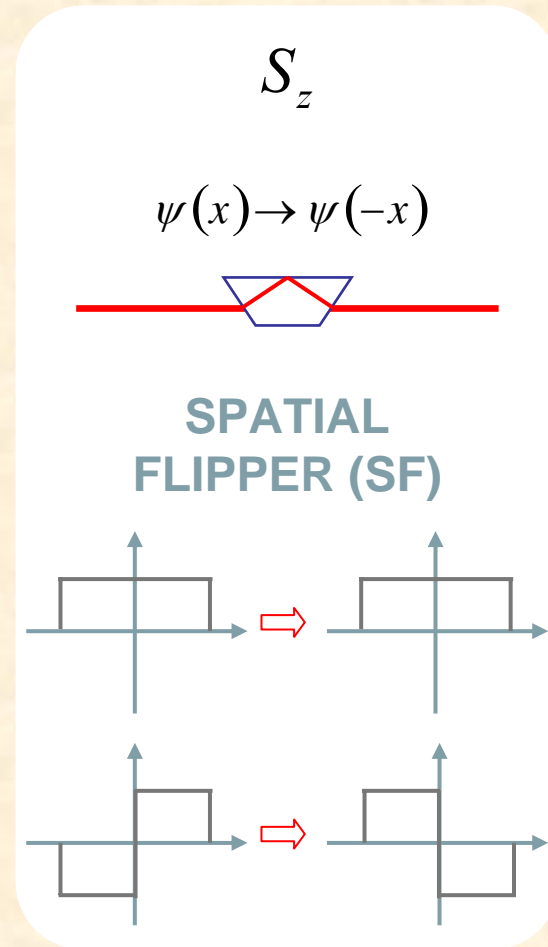
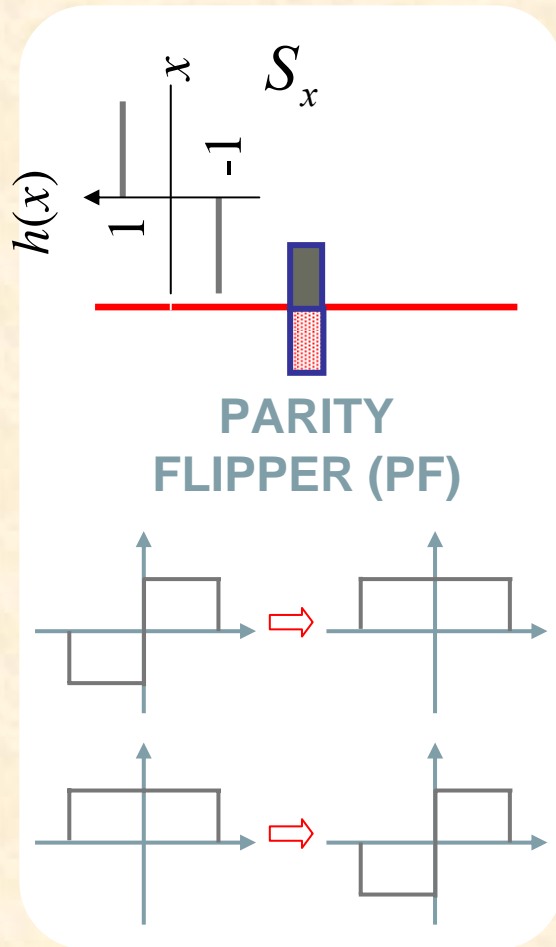
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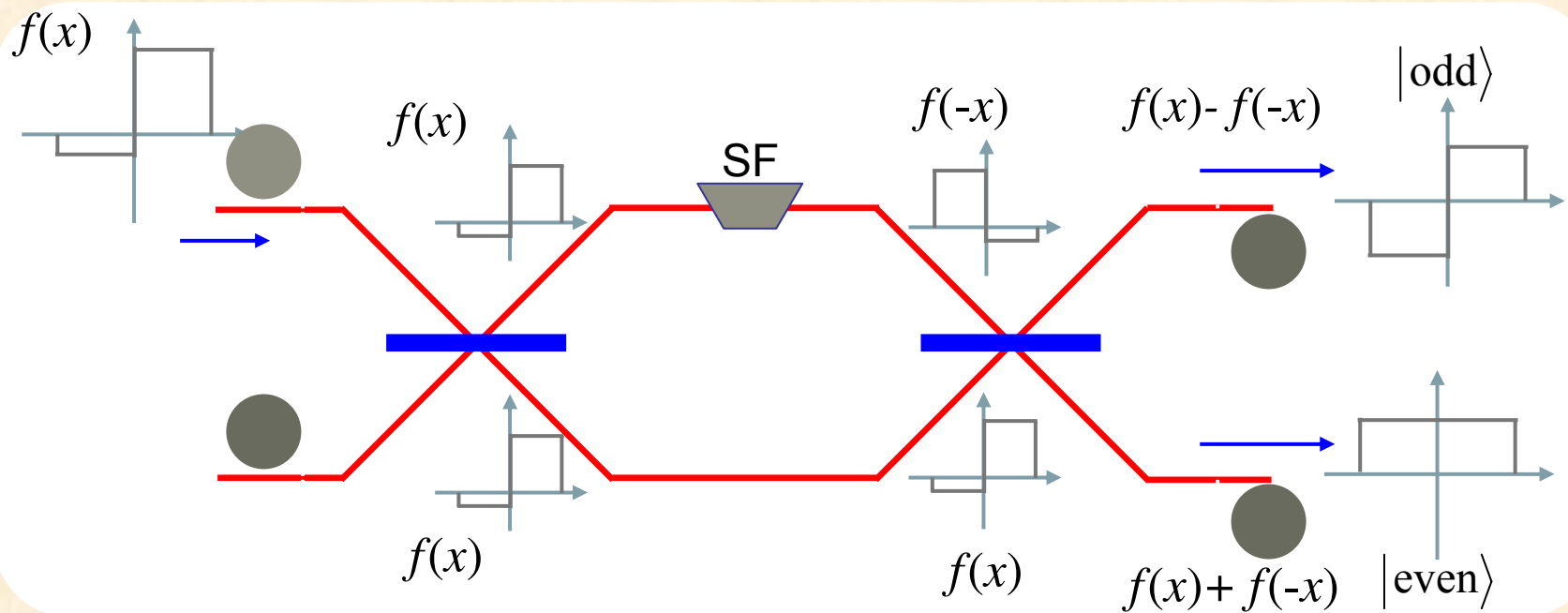
We tested the entanglement of the generated state via measurement of quantum interferograms and a Bell-inequality test

Quantum operators, such as rotation in the Poincaré sphere, can be implemented with simple optical elements (phase modulators)



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A parity Analyzer (PA) is implemented by a MZI with an additional mirror in one arm



Future work: Generalization to multiple pixels

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