



QUANTUM OPTICS ON A NONLINEAR CHIP

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THE ART OF ENTANGLING LIGHT

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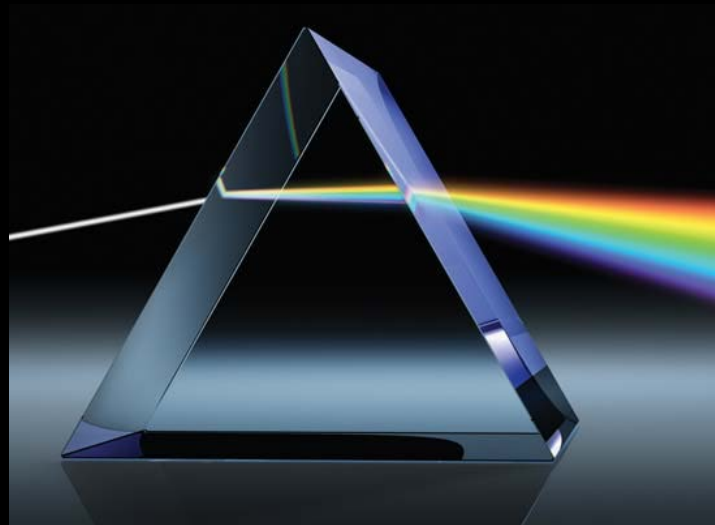
WHAT IS WELL KNOWN

Moderate amount of light

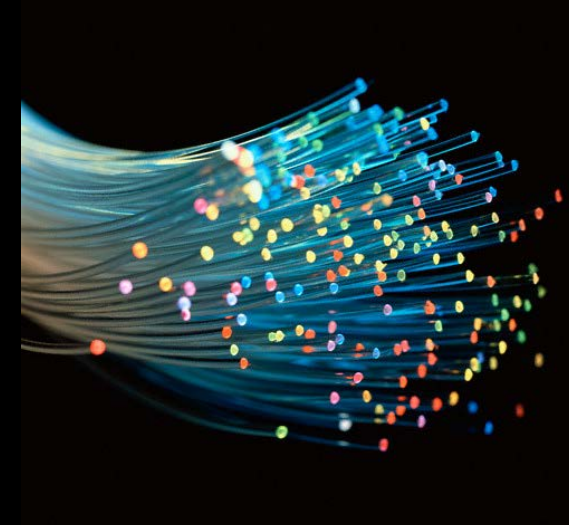
- classical linear optics



diffraction



refraction

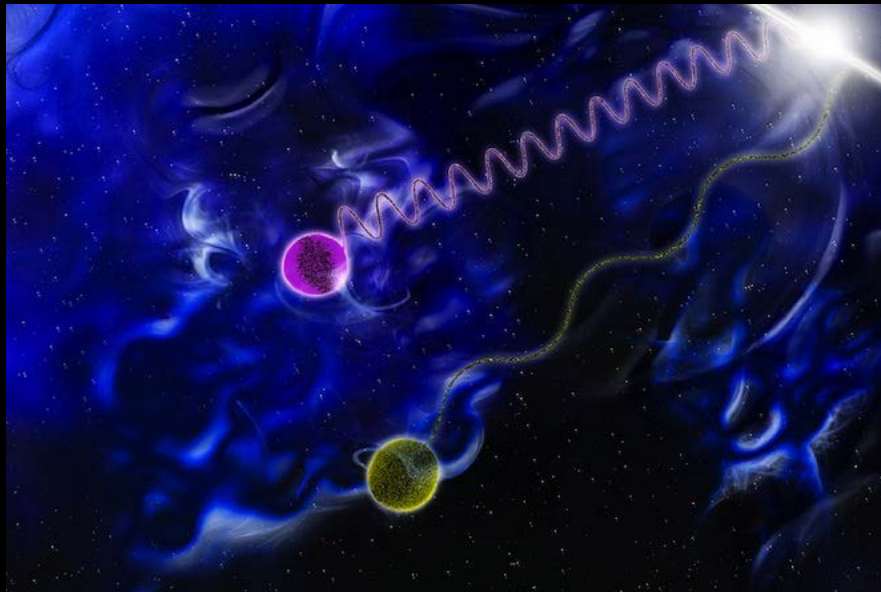


reflection

WHAT IS STUDIED NOW

Hardly any light (few photons)

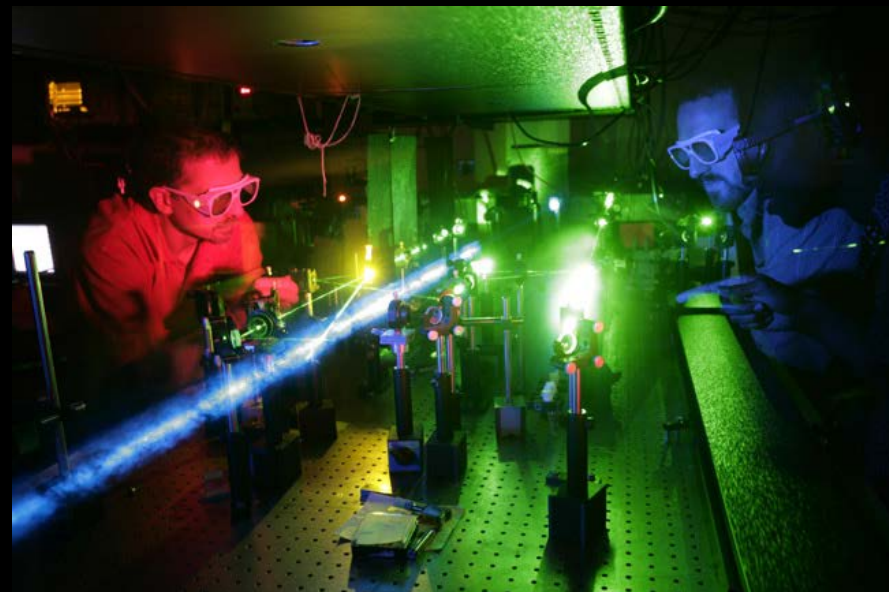
- quantum optics
 - Spooky quantum effects



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A lot of light (intense lasers)

- nonlinear optics
 - Light changes matter

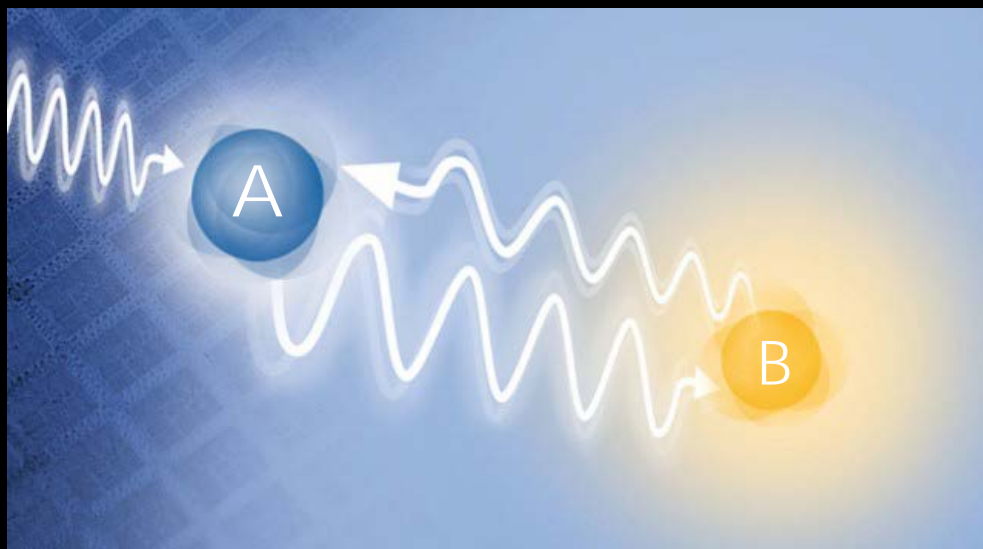


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QUANTUM OPTICS

Entanglement – correlations without interaction

- Entangled photons are interconnected
- Measurement of one photon affects the other photon

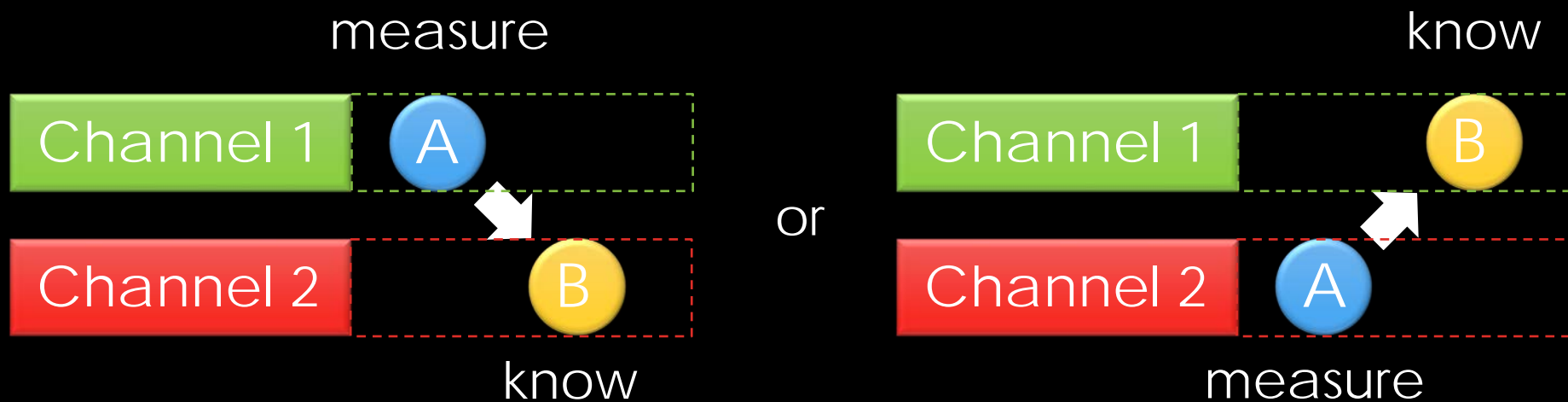


QUANTUM OPTICS

Entanglement – correlations without interaction

Two *photons* and two *channels*
(A and B) (1 and 2)

Entangled state #1: $|A_1, B_2\rangle + |A_2, B_1\rangle$ (one set of parameters)

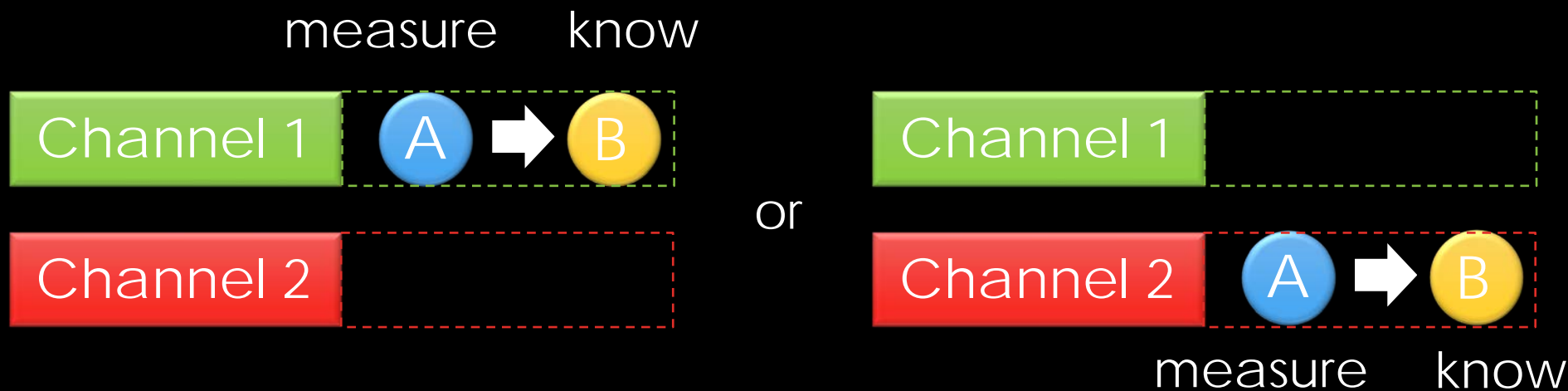


QUANTUM OPTICS

Entanglement – correlations without interaction

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Entangled state #2: $|A_1, B_1\rangle + |A_2, B_2\rangle$ (another set of parameters)



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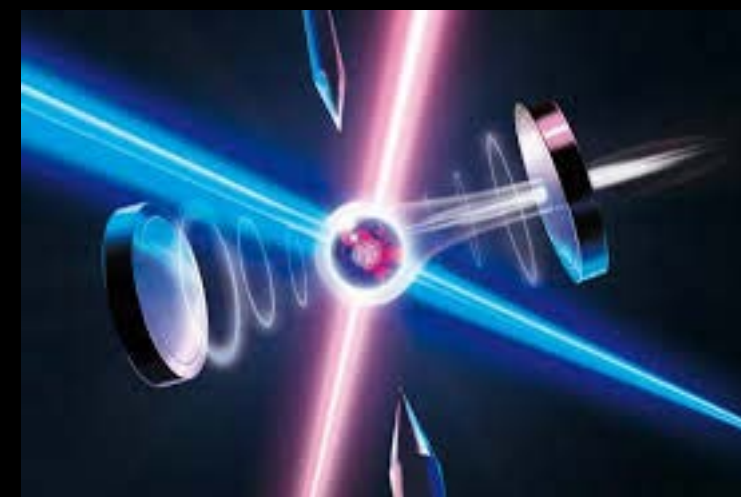
Applications of entanglement



Secure communication



Fast computation



Precise metrology

NONLINEAR OPTICS

Applications



Green laser pointer



Telecommunications

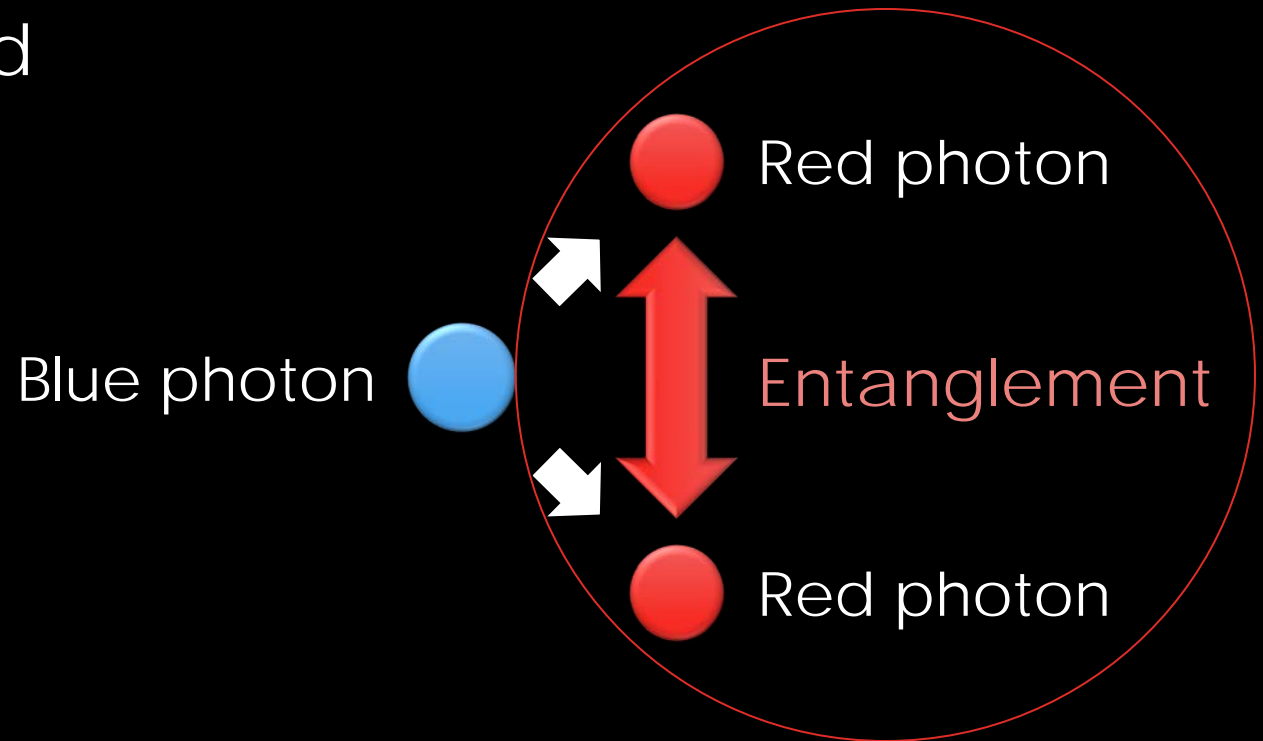


Microscopy

NONLINEAR OPTICS

- Intense light changes matter
- Different colors of light interact through matter
- Light color can be changed

Creating a pair of **entangled** photons using **nonlinearity** (SPDC)



WHAT WE STUDY

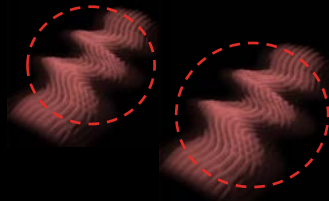
- A lot of light + hardly any light
 - Integrated nonlinear quantum optics



Powerful
blue
laser



Separated by color



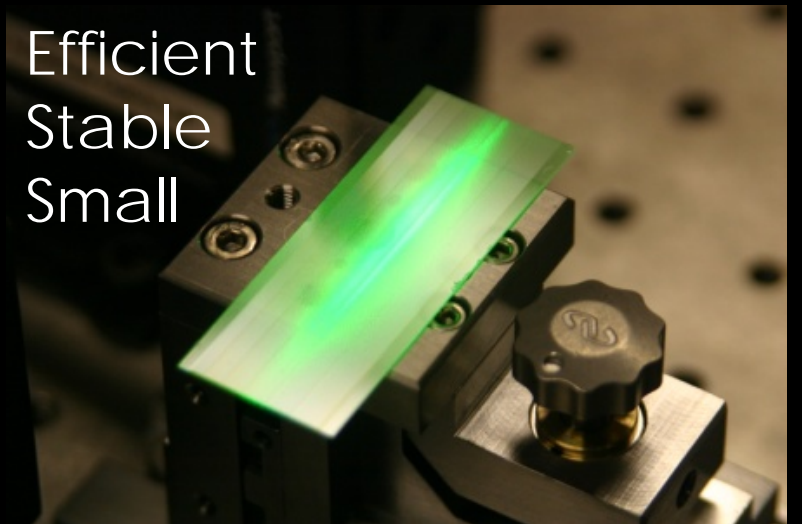
Two
red
photons



Can we control
entanglement with a laser
through optical
nonlinearity?

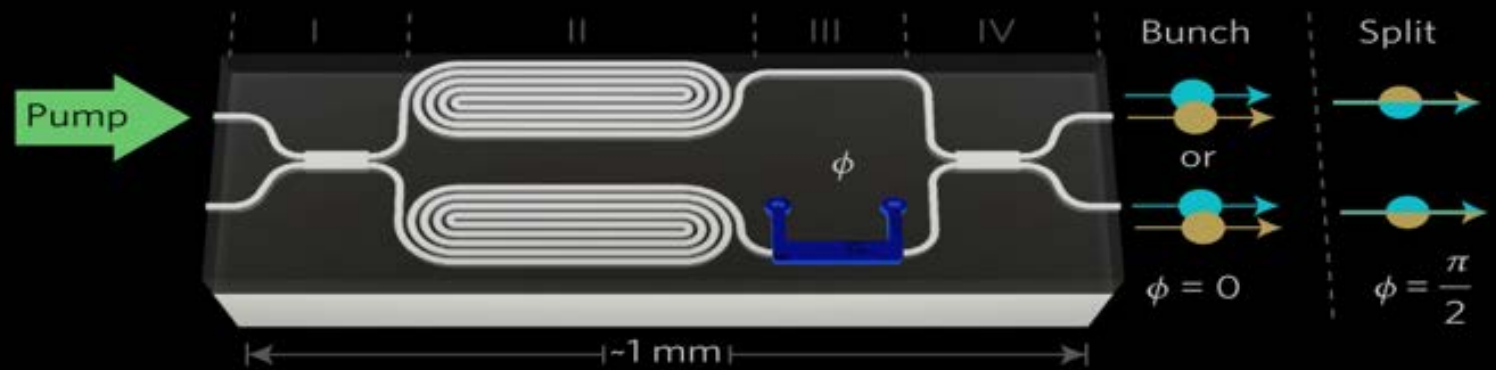
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- A lot of light + hardly any light
 - Integrated nonlinear quantum optics
- On-chip integration

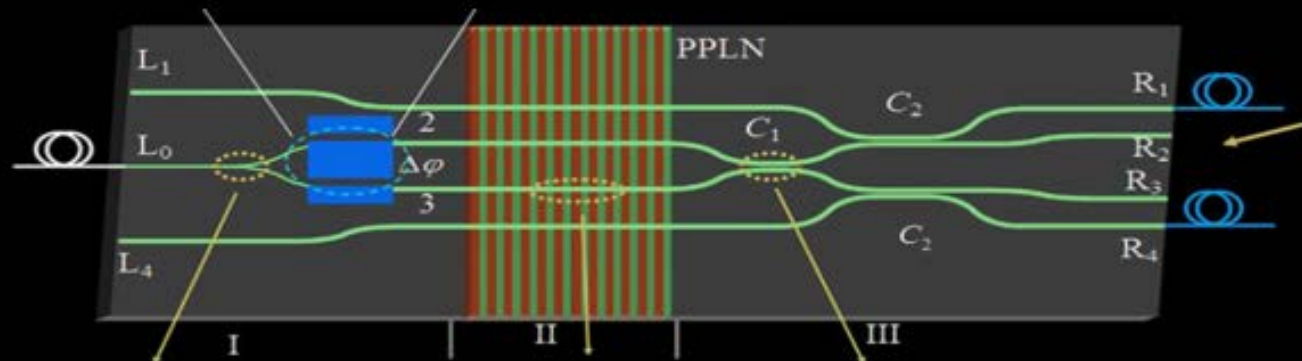


ON-CHIP QUANTUM OPTICS

- Generating **entangled** photons on a **nonlinear** chip
- Control is complex, requires thermo-optical or electro-optical tuning



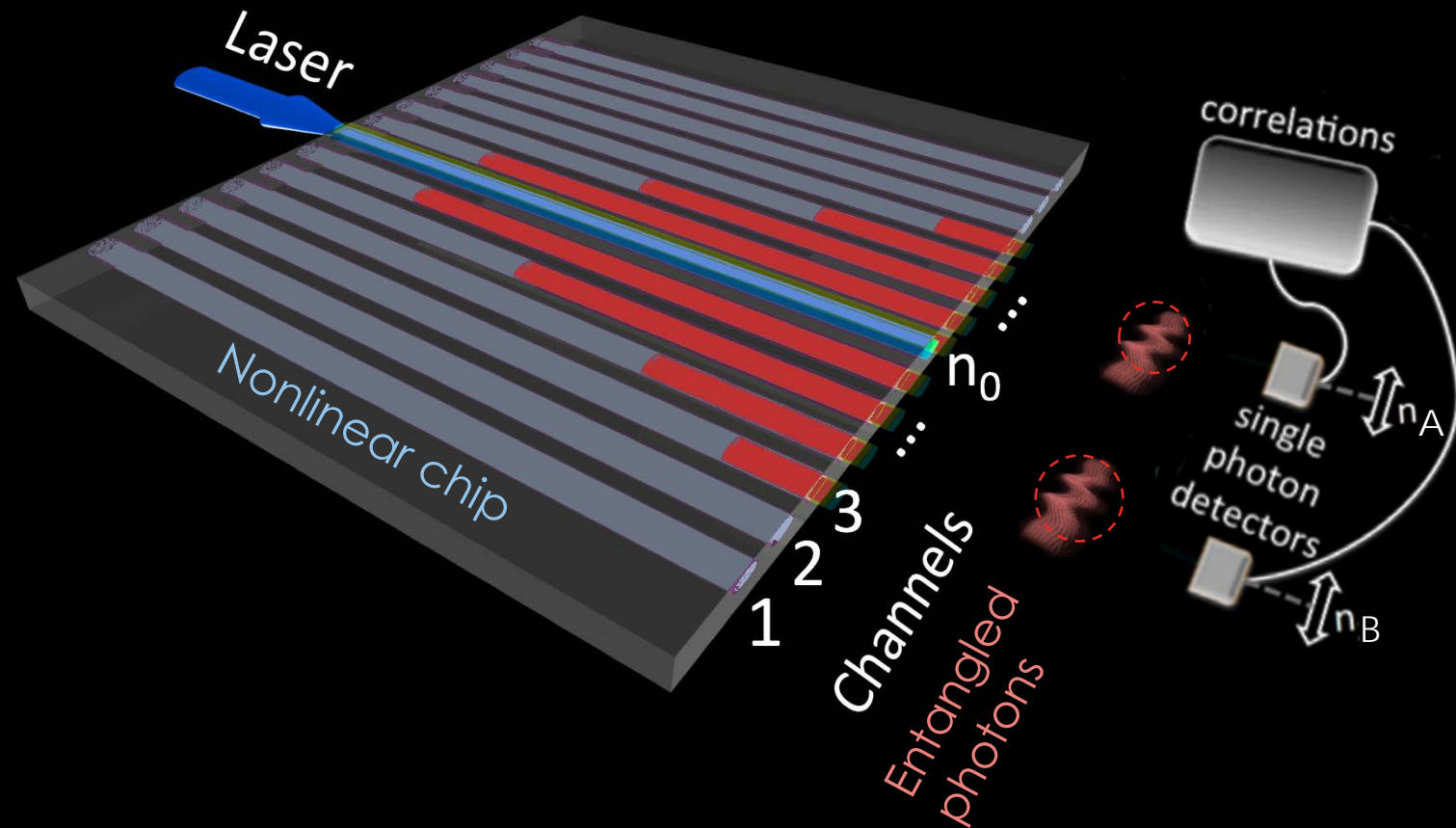
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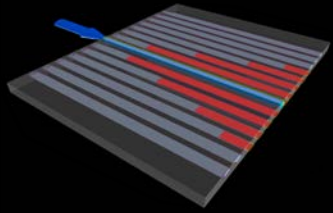


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LASER AND TWO PHOTONS ON A CHIP

Experiment

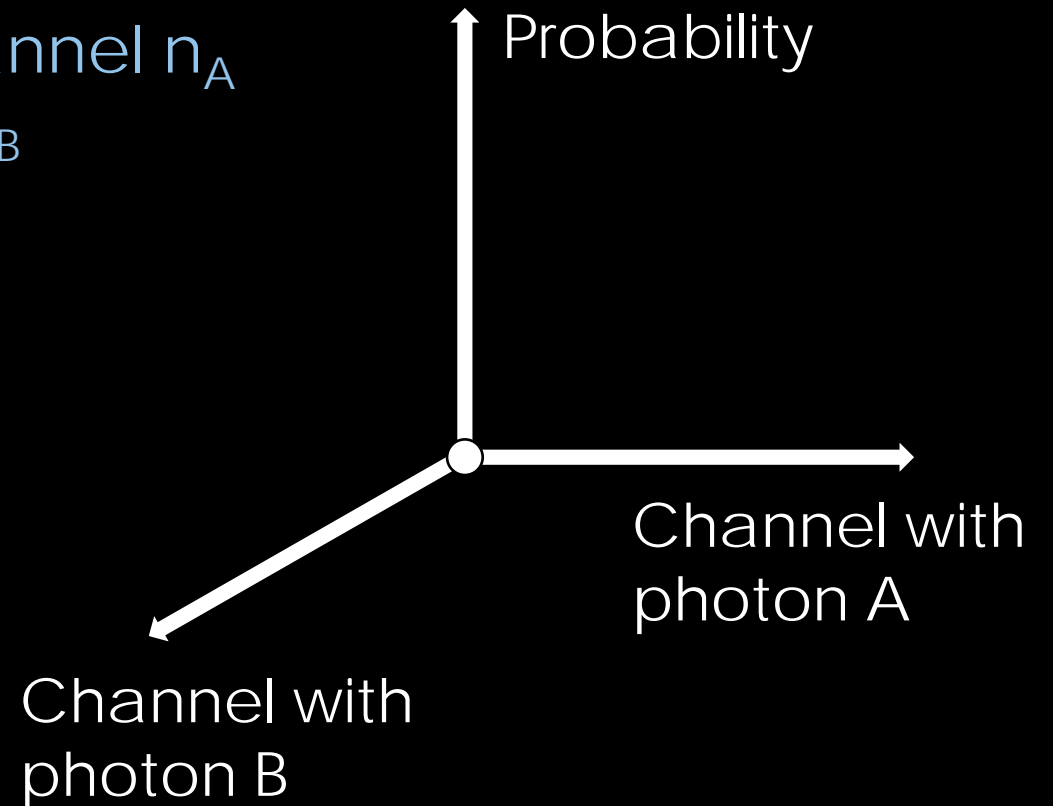




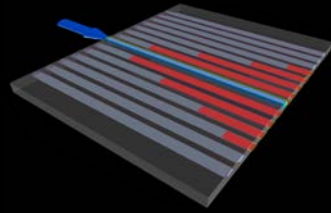
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Correlations

- Probability of **photon A** in the channel n_A while **photon B** is in the channel n_B



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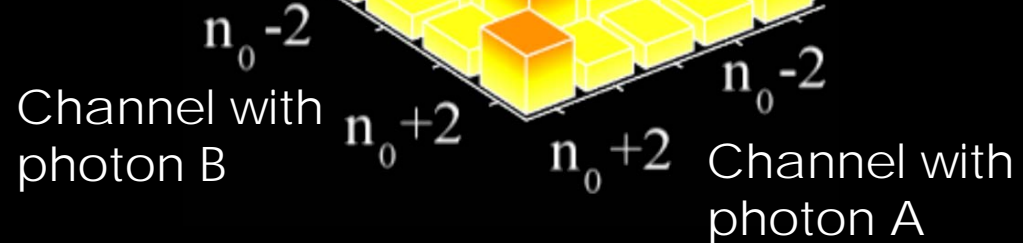
Results

Theory

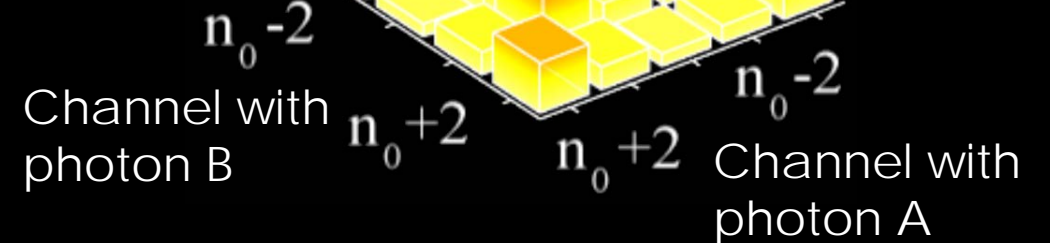
Entanglement!

Experiment

Correlations



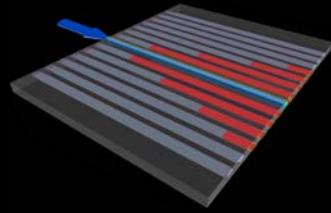
Correlations



Solntsev et al., PRL 108, 023601 (2012)

Solntsev et al., PRX 4, 031007 (2014)

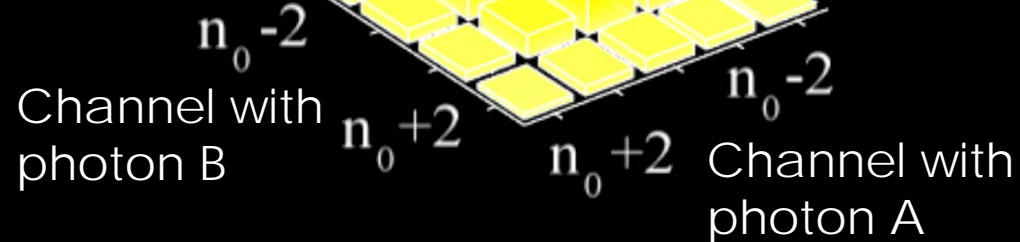
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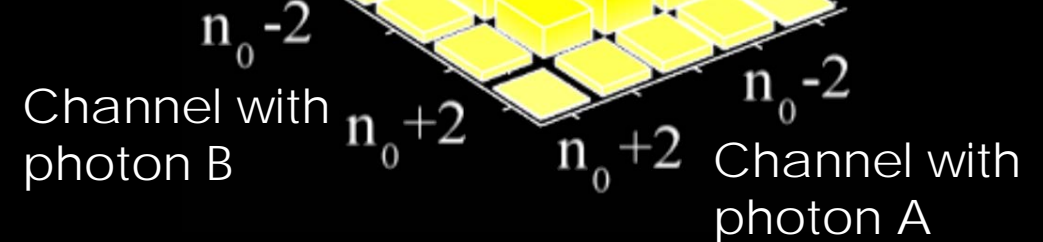


Slightly different laser colour
(1 nm wavelength shift)

Entanglement
Suppressed!

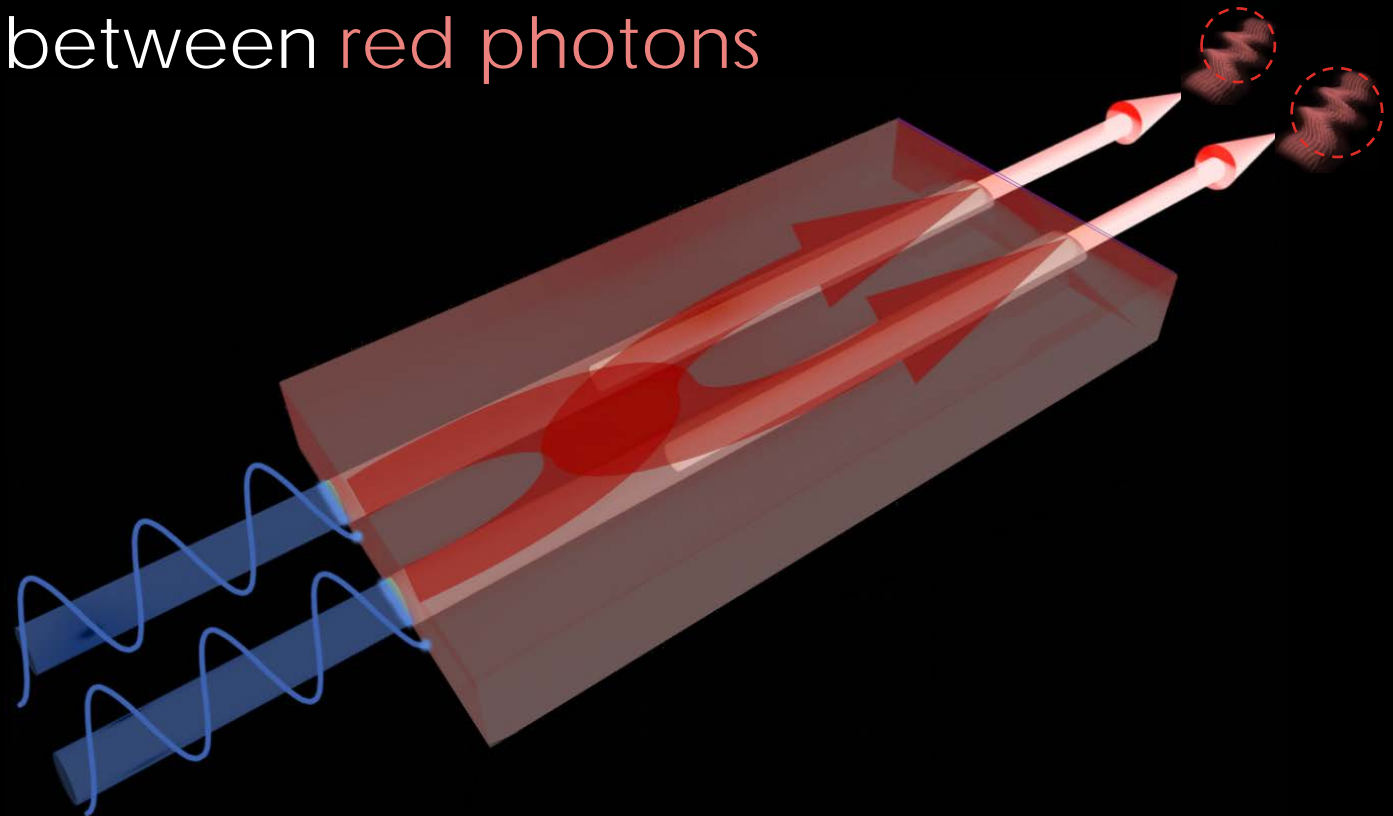
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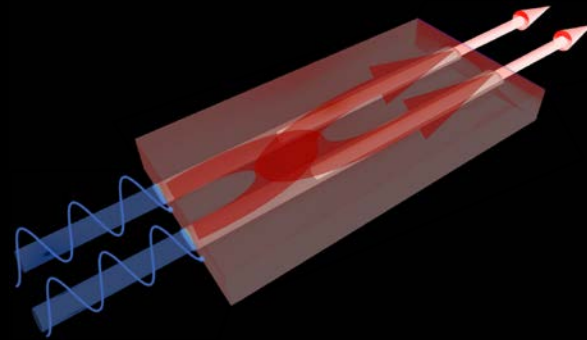
Correlations



2 LASER BEAMS
2 CHANNELS
2 PHOTONS

Controlling the phase between blue laser beams
to tune **entanglement** between **red photons**





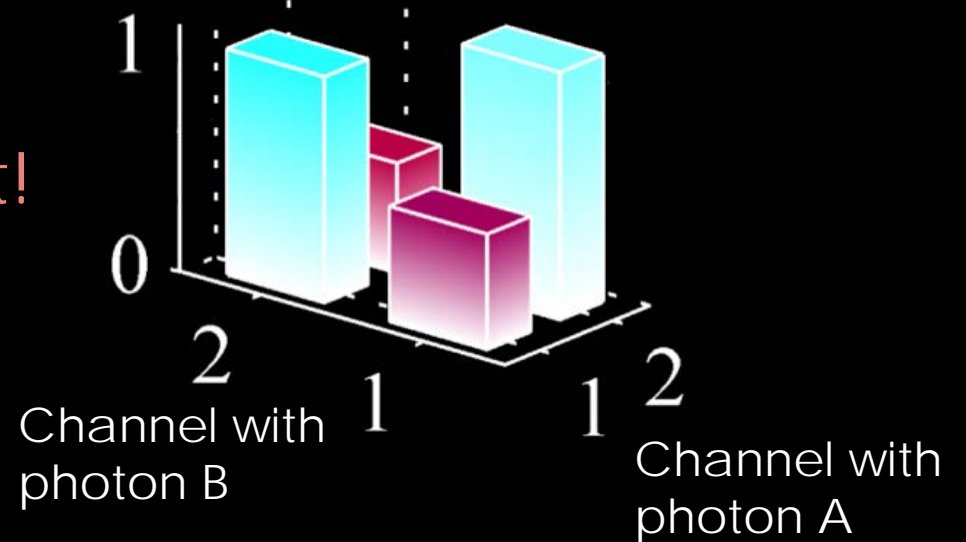
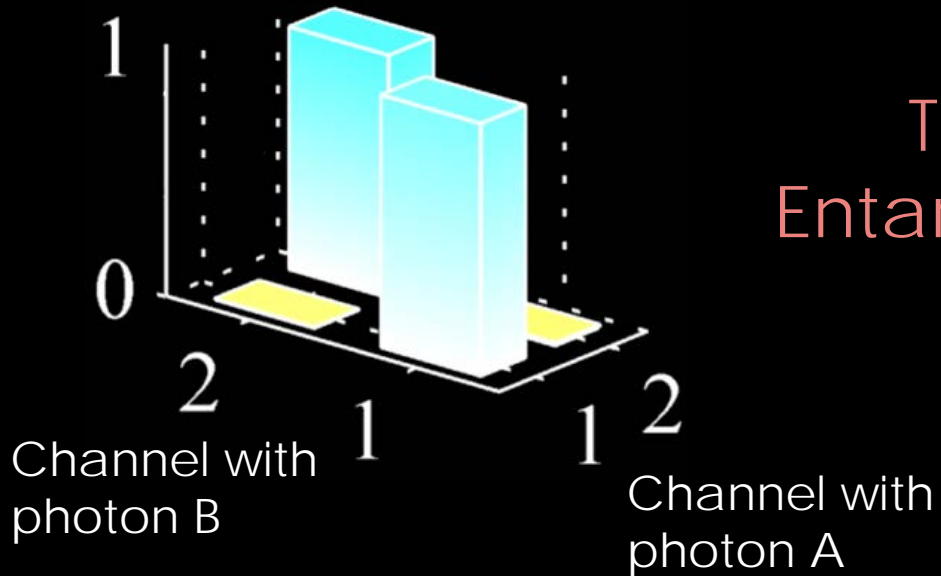
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Experimental results
Counter-phase laser beams

In-phase laser beams

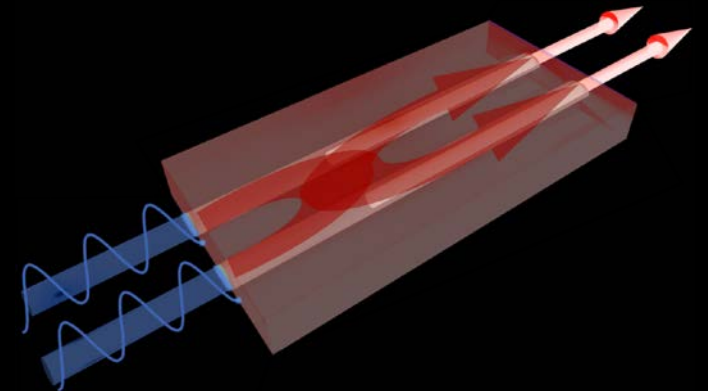
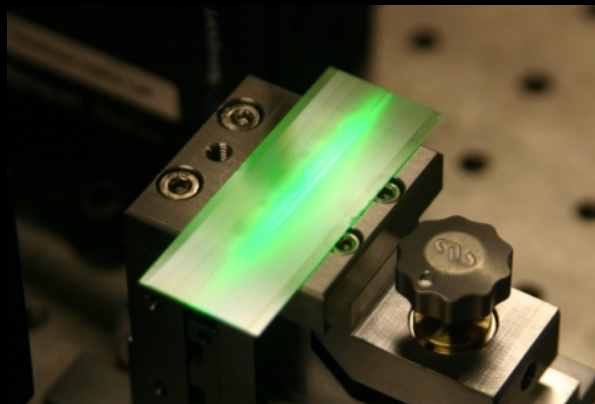
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- Entanglement is a fantastic resource!
- Tunable source of entangled photons on a nonlinear chip
- Nonlinearity creates and controls entanglement

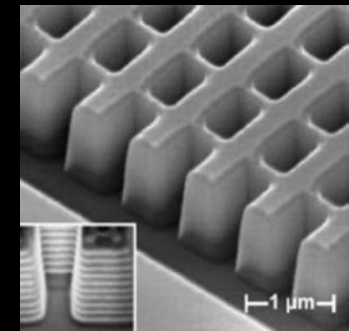
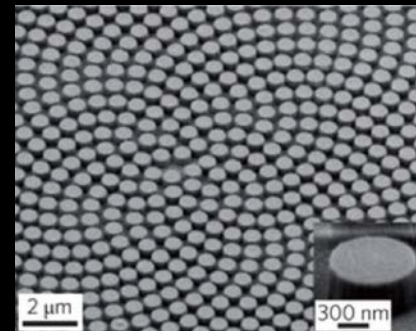
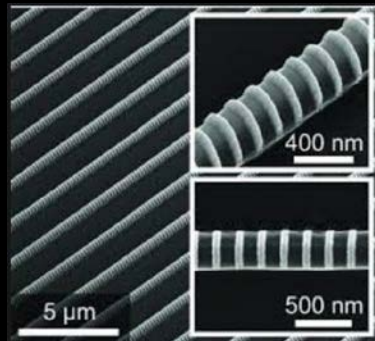
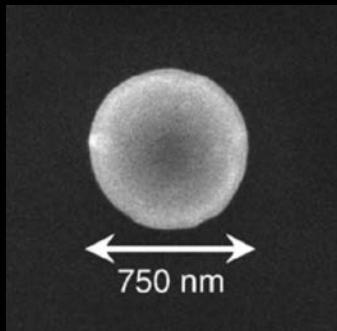


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Entanglement and nonlinearity in

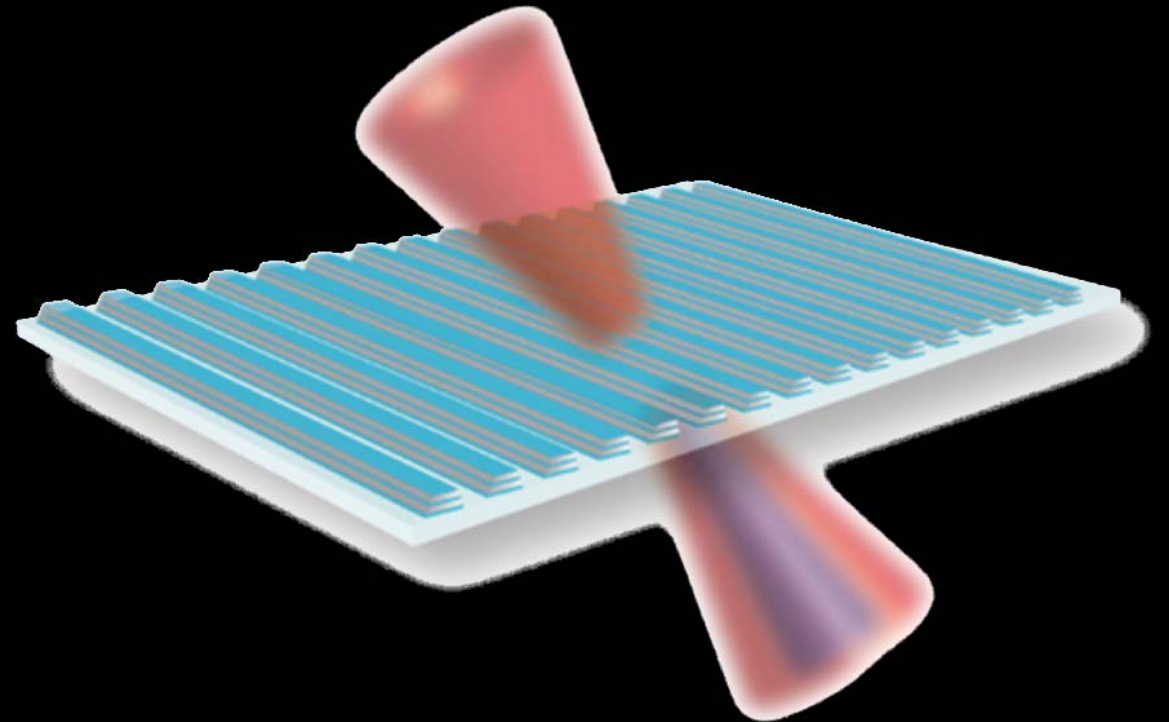
- Nanoparticles
- Nanostructures
- Metasurfaces
- Metamaterials

Quantum light control on the nanoscale



NONLINEAR NANO-PHOTONICS

- Frequency doubling in plasmonic nanostructures
- Changing the colour of light on a tiny scale
- Interplay of Electric and Magnetic Resonances
- Controlling the properties of emitted light



Courtesy of Vladimir Shalaev

NONLINEAR NANO-RESONATORS

Research Article

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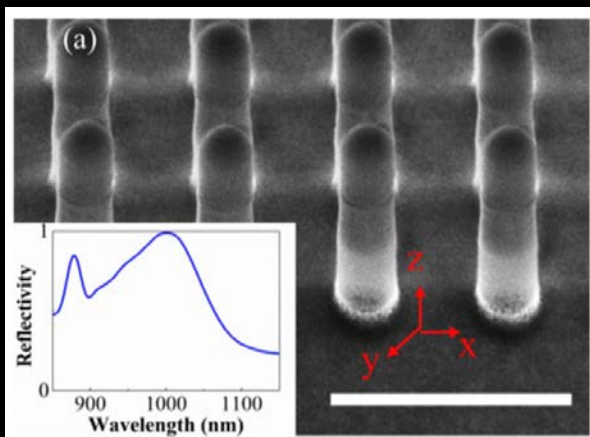
Optics EXPRESS

- Nonlinear optical frequency doubling in AlGaAs nanodisks

Monolithic AlGaAs second-harmonic nanoantennas

V. F. GILI,¹ L. CARLETTI,² A. LOCATELLI,² D. ROCCO,² M. FINAZZI,³ L. GHIRARDINI,³ I. FAVERO,¹ C. GOMEZ,⁴ A. LEMAÎTRE,⁴ M. CELEBRANO,³ C. DE ANGELIS,² AND G. LEO^{1,7}

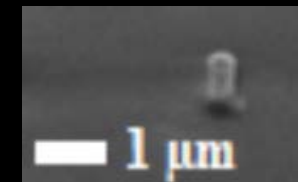
10^{-4} SHG efficiency



Nano Lett., 2016, 16 (9), pp 5426–5432

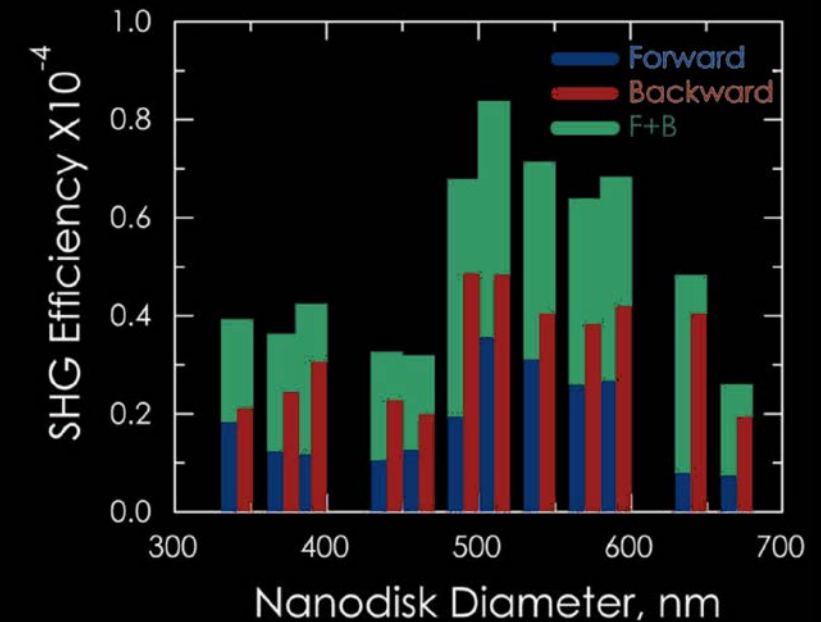
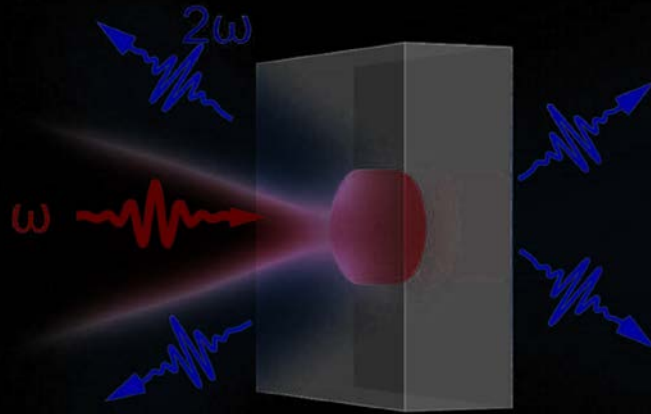
Resonantly Enhanced Second-Harmonic Generation Using III–V Semiconductor All-Dielectric Metasurfaces

Sheng Liu[†], Michael B. Sinclair[†], Sina Saravi[§], Gordon A. Keeler[†], Yuanmu Yang^{†‡}, John Reno^{†‡}, Gregory M. Peake[†], Frank Setzpfandt[§], Isabelle Staude[§], Thomas Pertsch[§], and Igal Brener^{†‡}



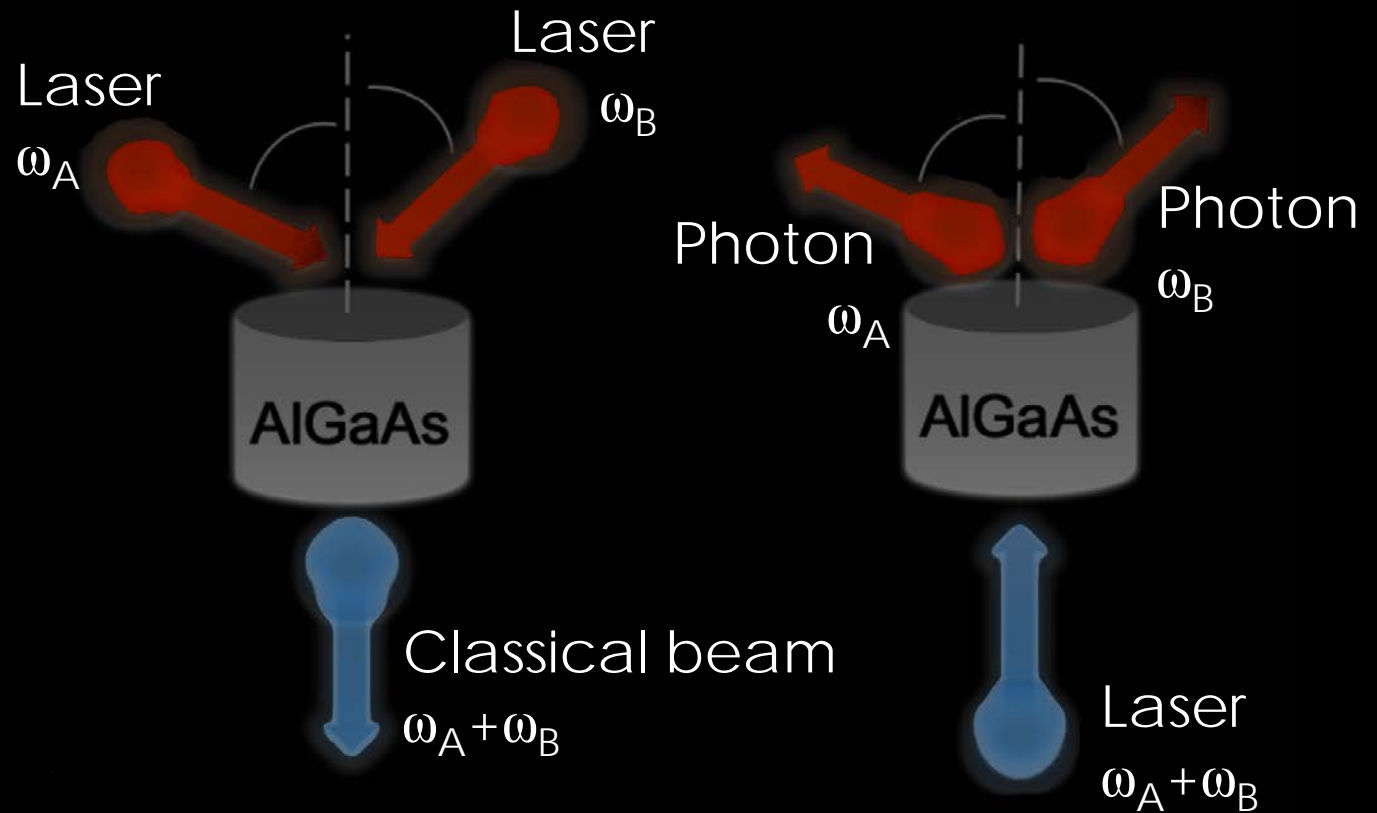
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- Control of direction and polarization

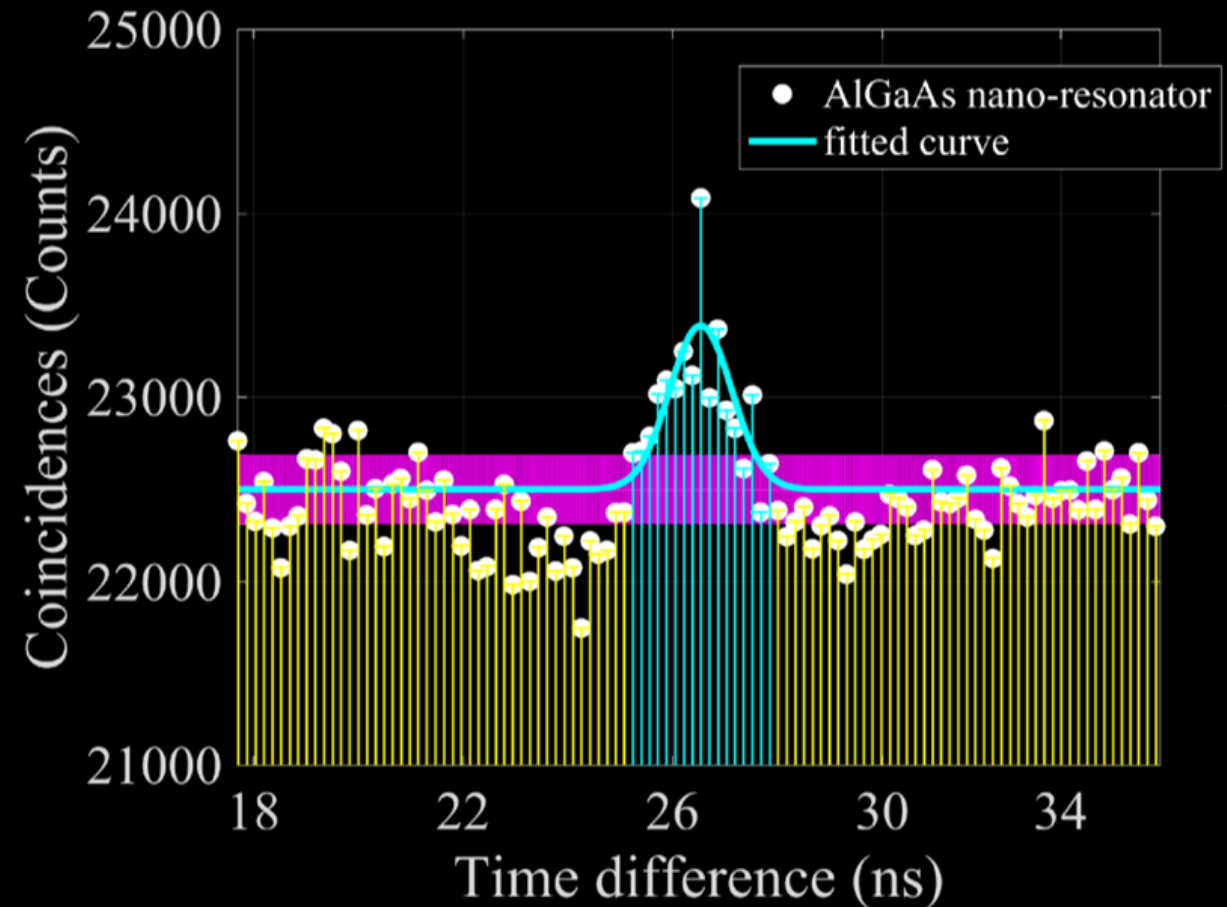
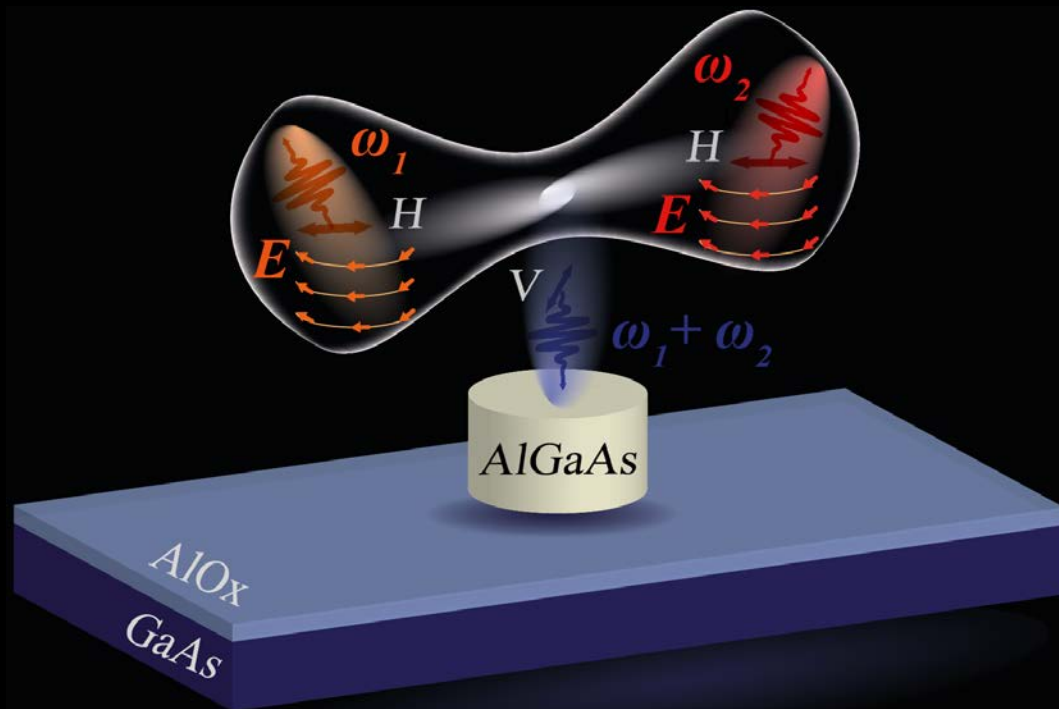


NONLINEAR NANO-RESONATORS

- Classical nonlinear processes can be used to predict quantum photon-pair generation
- Predicting up to 10^5 Hz photon-pair rate
- First nanoscale nonlinear entangled photon generator

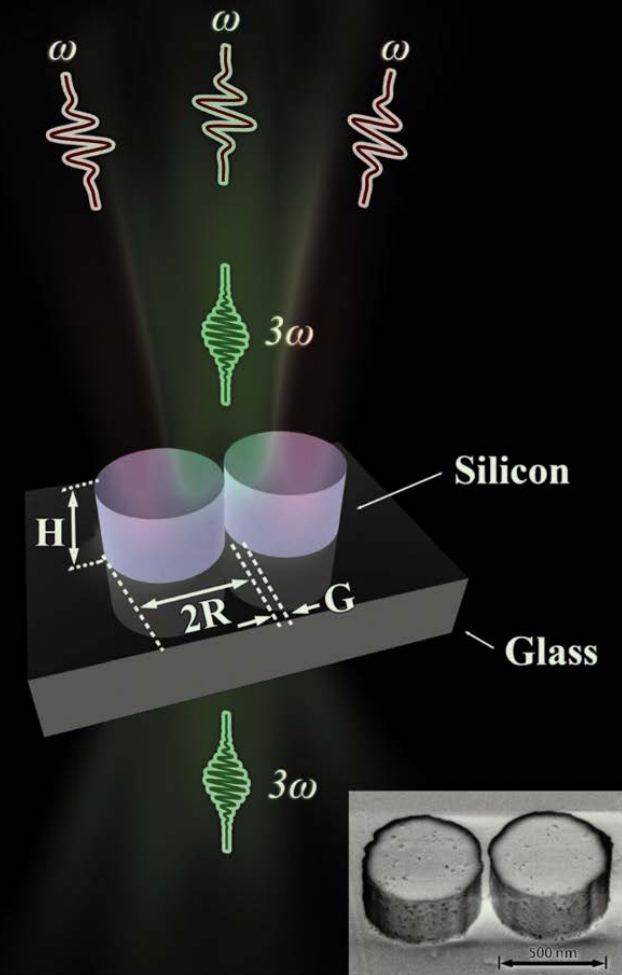


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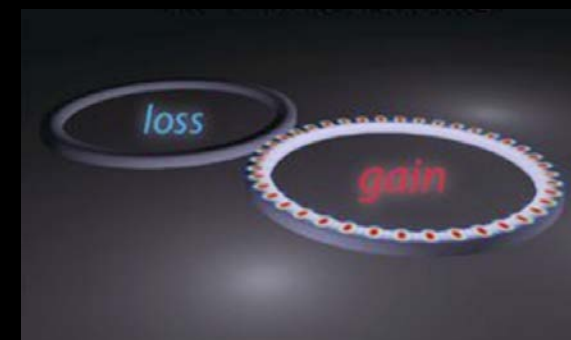
- Nonlinear optical frequency tripling in silicon nano-disks
- 10^{-6} efficiency
- Control of direction and polarization
- Uses much more common type of optical nonlinearity
- Can **photon pairs** be efficiently generated here?



PLASMONICS

- Plasmonics uses metals
- Optical loss is high
- Tricks to make loss useful

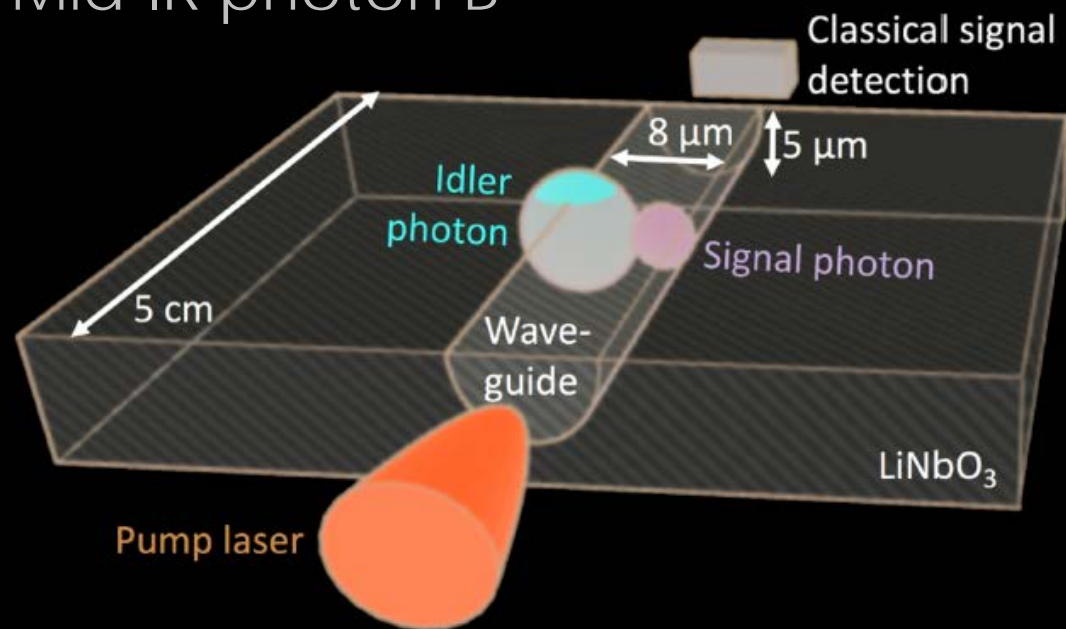
Optical loss can help get single-mode lasing



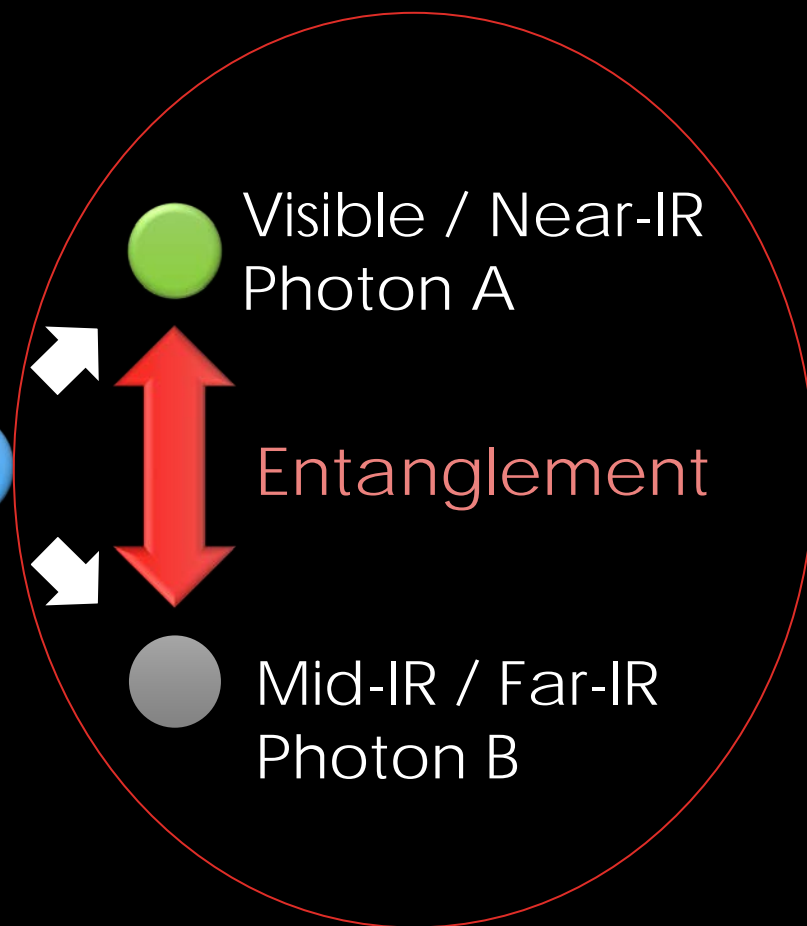
Science 346, 975–978 (2014)

SPDC SPECTROSCOPY

- Measuring easy-to-detect **photon A** to figure out how environment affects Mid-IR photon B



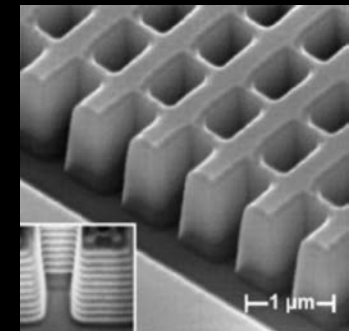
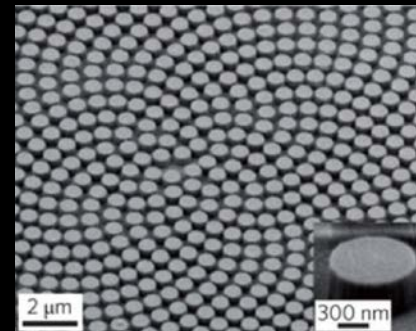
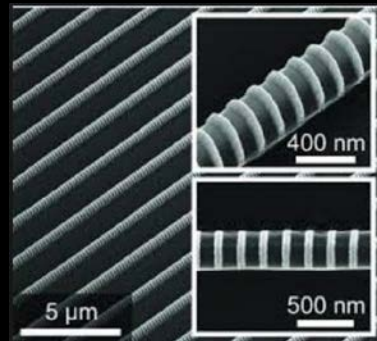
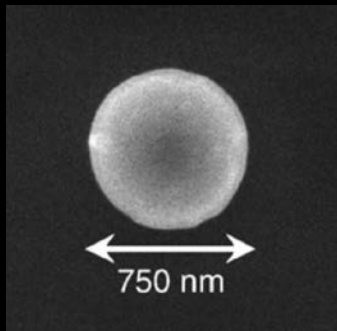
Laser photon



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 - Metamaterials
- Quantum light control on the nanoscale
 - Quantum nonlinear spectroscopy





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G Leo



M Rahmani



C Xiong



C De Angelis



F Setzpfandt



D Antonosyan



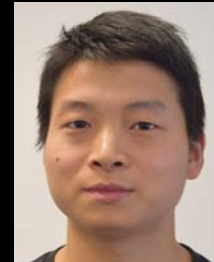
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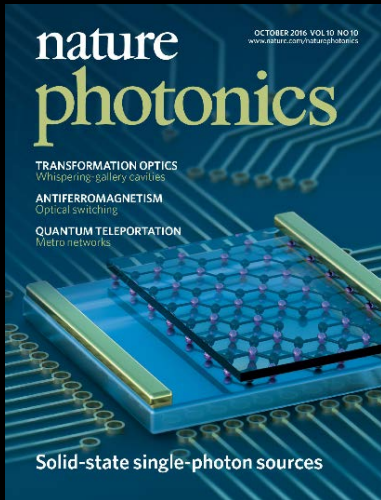
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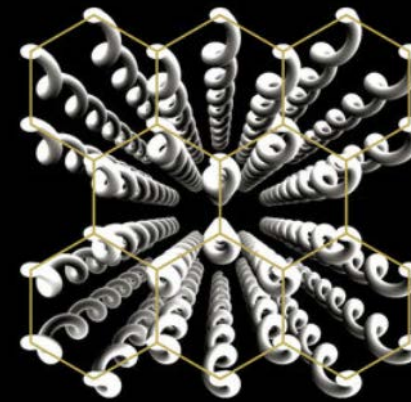
PHOTONIC CIRCUITS FOR DETERMINISTIC PHOTON SOURCES BASED ON 2D MATERIALS



I Aharonovich



- New emitters in 2D materials – hexagonal Boron Nitride
- Promising applications:
 - Quantum emission at **high temp** (Kianinia et al., ACS Phot 2016)
 - Integration with **tapered fibers** (Schell et al., ACS Photon 2017)
 - **Plasmonic cavity arrays** (Tran, Wang, Xu et al., Nanolett 2017)



A Szameit

Nature 496, 196–200 (2014)

Vision: a fully integrated 2D quantum system on a single chip

METASURFACES FOR APPLICATIONS IN TELECOM AND MEDICINE



C Poulton



M Lapine



- Novel designs and concepts
- Effective medium theory / modelling
- Tunable (reconfigurable) metamaterials

Designing and testing metasurfaces
with required response

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METASURFACES FOR QUANTUM OPTICS



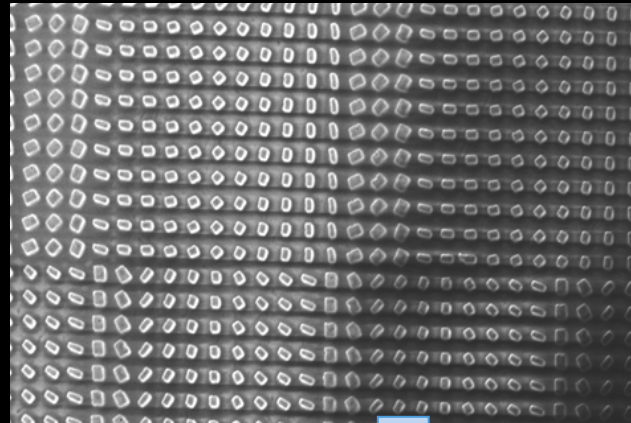
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- A metasurface that will allow EM-CCD cameras to see multiphoton **quantum light**
- Full quantum tomography: **entanglement**, purity etc.

Wang et al., arXiv:1804.03494 (2018)



Thank you!
PhD scholarships available

