

Photonic quantum information: applications & challenges

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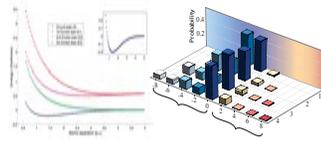


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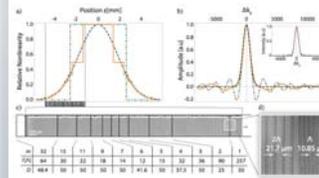
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Quantum simulation & emulation



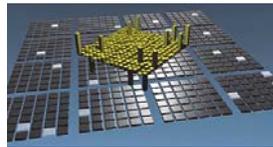
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Quantum photonics



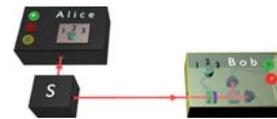
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Quantum computation



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Quantum foundations



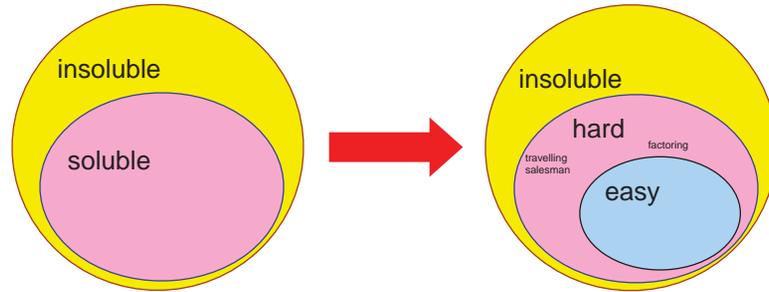
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Quantum Computing:

What is it?

Why do it?

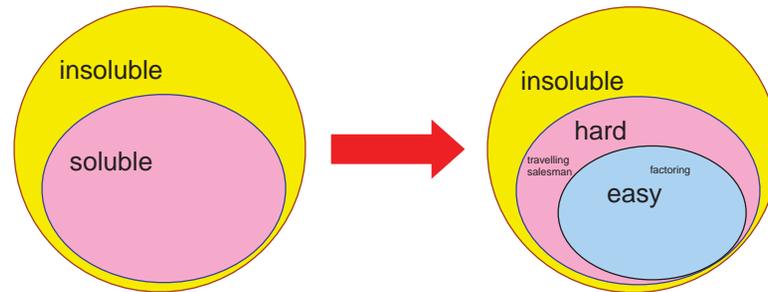
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In a world of quantum computers then we would need to abandon most of the algorithms that are in use today. —Robin Balean, VeriSign Australia, 2008

Software updates, email, online banking, and the entire realm of public-key cryptography and digital signatures rely on just two cryptography schemes to keep them secure—RSA and elliptic-curve cryptography (ECC). They are exceedingly impractical for today’s computers to crack, but if a quantum computer is ever built it would be powerful enough to break both codes. Cryptographers are starting to take the threat seriously, and last fall many of them gathered at the PQCrypto conference, in Cincinnati, to examine the alternatives. —IEEE Spectrum, January 2009

Shor's factoring algorithm → • Extended Church-Turing Thesis—foundation of theoretical computer science for decades—is wrong



The assertion of the Church-Turing thesis might be compared, for example, to Galileo and Newton's achievement in putting physics on a mathematical basis. By mathematically defining the computable functions they enabled people to reason precisely about those functions in a mathematical manner, opening up a whole new world of investigation.

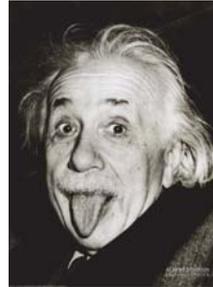


—Michael Nielsen, UQ, 2004

Shor's factoring
algorithm



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It's entirely conceivable that quantum computing will turn out to be impossible for a fundamental reason. This would be much more interesting than if it's possible, since it would overturn our most basic ideas about the physical world. The only real way to find out is to try to build a quantum computer. Such an effort seems to me at least as scientifically important as (say) the search for supersymmetry or the Higgs boson. I have no idea—none—how far it will get in my lifetime.

—Scott Aaronson, MIT, 2006

Why do quantum computing?

Shor's factoring
algorithm

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- Extended Church-Turing Thesis—foundation of theoretical computer science for decades—is wrong
- Quantum mechanics is wrong
- A fast classical factoring algorithm exists

All three seem crazy. At least one is true!



Lots of mathematicians have looked and think it can't be done, and lots of maths is now based on the impossibility of doing it.
– Andrew White, 2009

Computer scientists
and / or
Theoretical physicists
and / or
Mathematicians
will be
badly upset

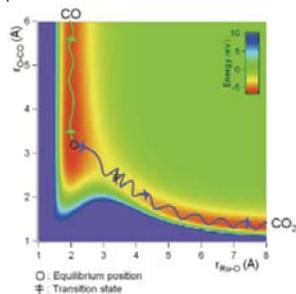
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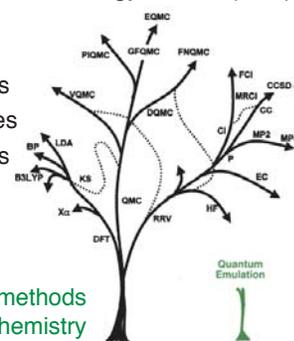
Church-Turing-Deutsch principle: **Any** physical process can be efficiently simulated on a quantum computer



Nuclei move on the electronic potential energy surface (PES)

Knowledge of PES enables:

- ▶ Minima: equilibrium structures
- ▶ Saddle points: transition states
- ▶ Reaction rates & mechanisms
- ▶ PES characterise **most** of physical chemistry



Tree of approximation methods for quantum chemistry

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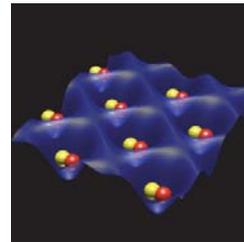
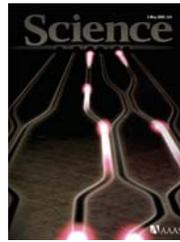
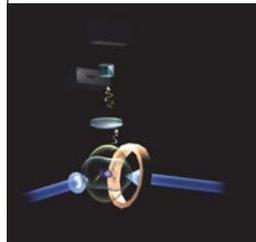
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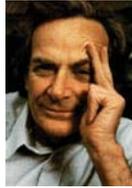
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Quantum computers are interesting physical systems in their own right



Simulating Quantum Systems



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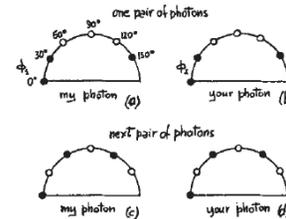
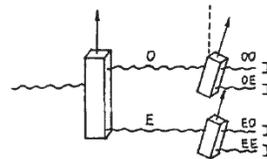
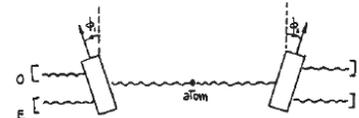
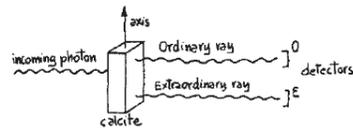
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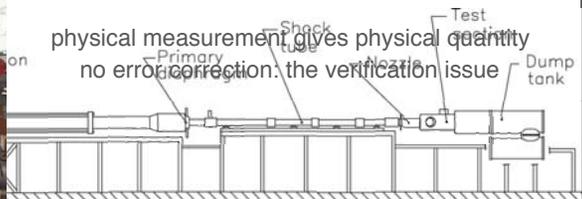
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Int. J. Theoretical Physics (1982)



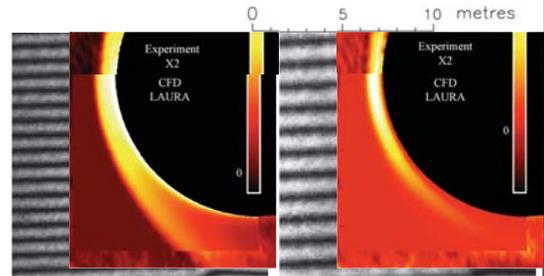
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Emulators vs Simulators

Emulator



Simulator



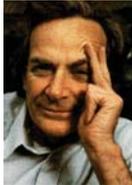
digital model gives physical quantity
error correction: behaviour is due to physics

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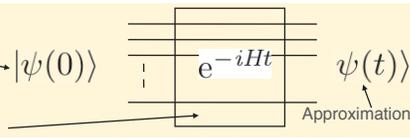


Seth Lloyd

Feynman was correct, for very large class of physical quantum systems

Given initial wavefunction, No. qubits required \sim poly(No. particles)

Time evolution operator, No. gates required \sim poly(particles)



Approximation

Universal quantum simulators, *Science* (1996)

Great ... but how can we learn about physical properties?



Alán Aspuru-Guzik

Can calculate **energy** using the *Iterative Phase Estimation Algorithm*

$H \Psi = E \Psi \longrightarrow$ Eigenvalue problem

$U \Psi = e^{iHt/\hbar} \Psi = e^{iEt/\hbar} \Psi = e^{i\phi} \Psi$ Phase estimation problem

Simulated quantum computation of molecular energies, *Science* (2005)

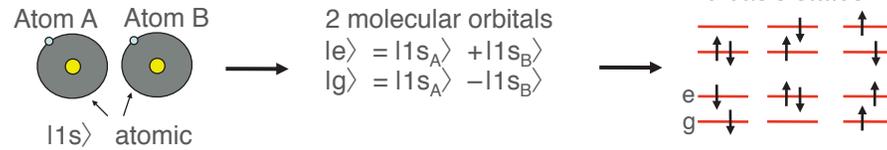
...can also efficiently simulate chemical **reactions**

Polynomial-time quantum algorithm for the simulation of chemical dynamics, *PNAS* 105, 18681 (2008)

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H₂ — the simplest molecule

Hydrogen molecule in a minimal basis

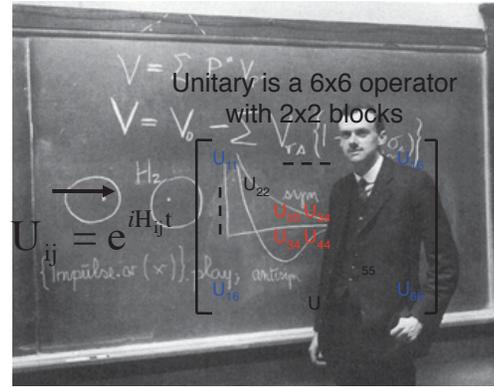


orbitals

Hamiltonian is a 6x6 operator with 2x2 blocks

$$\begin{bmatrix} H_{11} & & & & & H_{16} \\ & H_{22} & & & & \\ & & H_{33} & H_{34} & & \\ & & H_{34} & H_{44} & & \\ & & & & & \\ H_{16} & & & & & H_{66} \end{bmatrix}$$

A 2x2 matrix eigenvalue problem

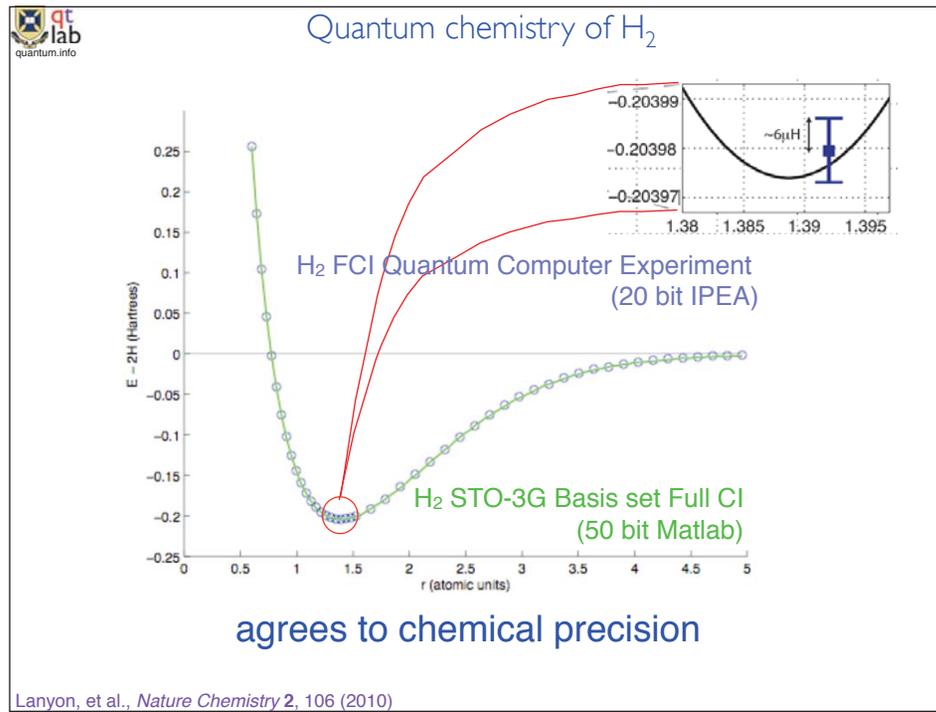


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So solving this molecule directly will require a 6x6 unitary operator to be implemented with logic gates.

WAY BEYOND WHAT WE CAN DO AT THE MOMENT.

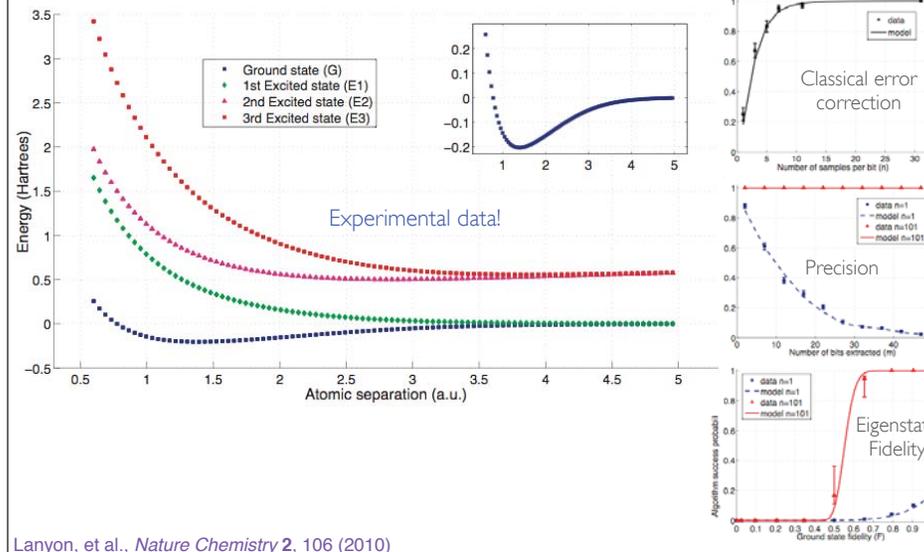
Exploit the block-diagonal structure, and just solve each 2x2 block separately.



We parameterized the Hamiltonian by the atomic separation - and calculated all the eigenvalues, using the quantum algorithm, at a range of different separations. There are 4 eigen values, as opposed to 6 for the 6x6 hamiltonian due to some degeneracy

Quantum chemistry of H₂

Explored a range of algorithmic features:

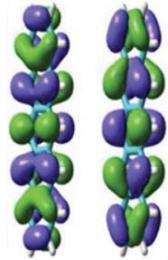


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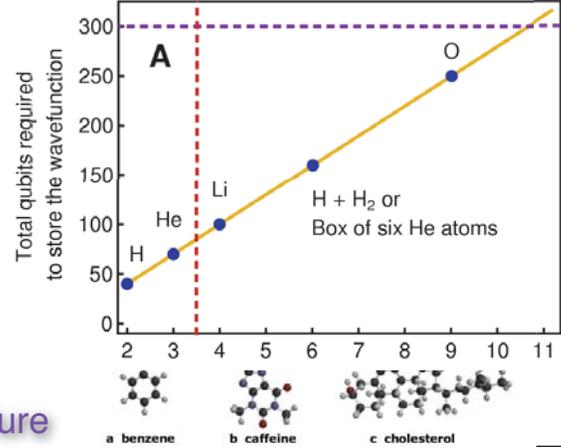
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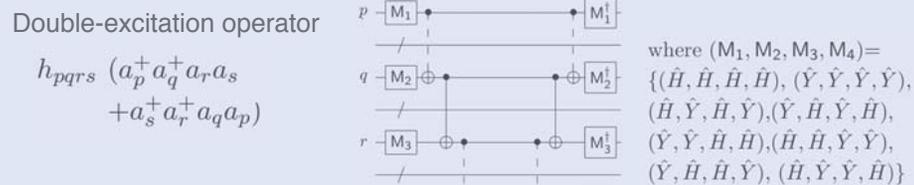
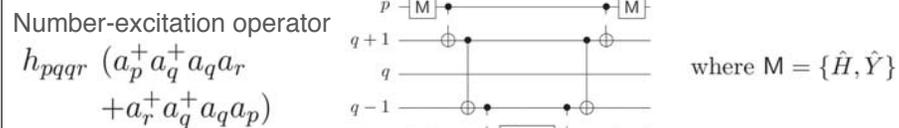
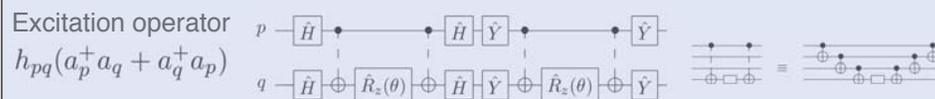
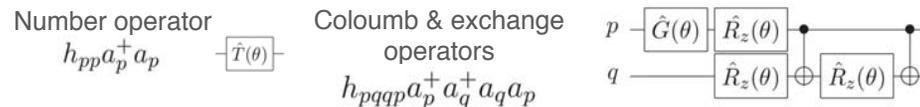
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The Future



Lloyd's approximation: Building-Blocks



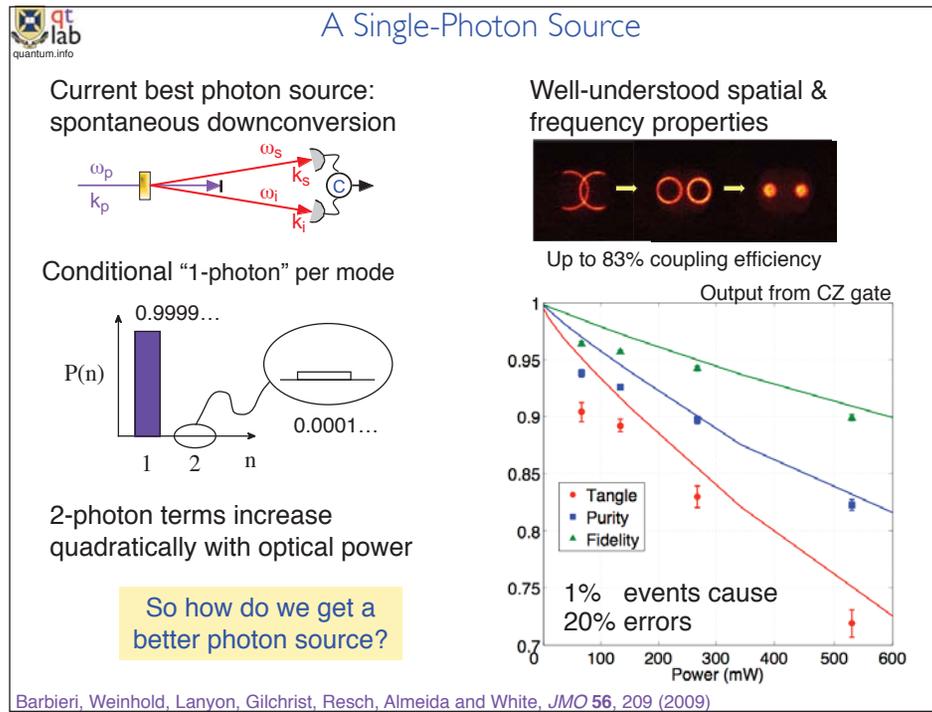
Challenges & Solutions

The Challenges

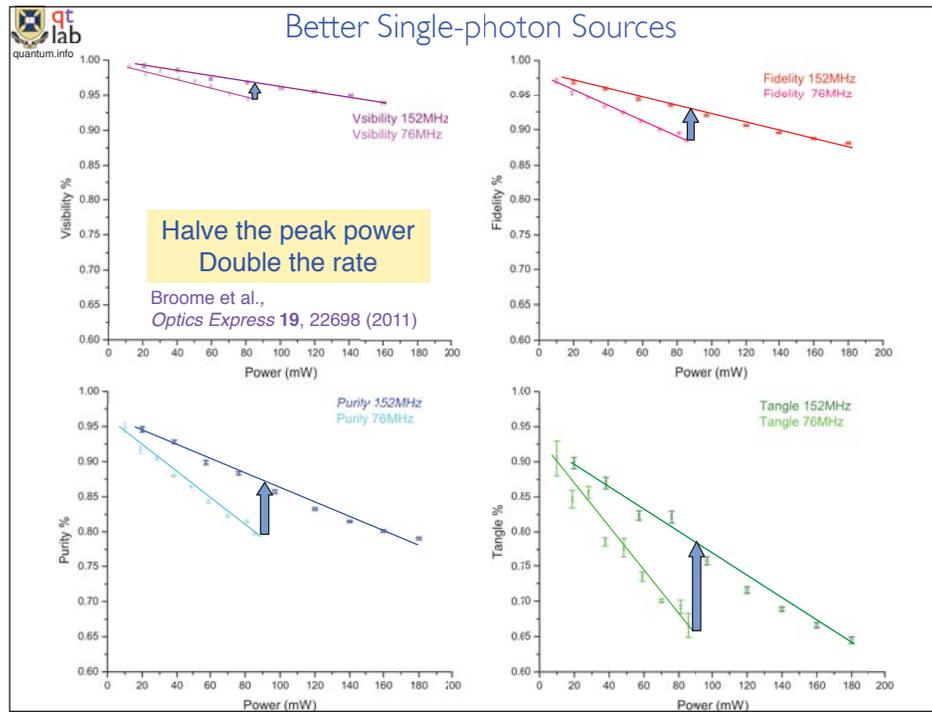
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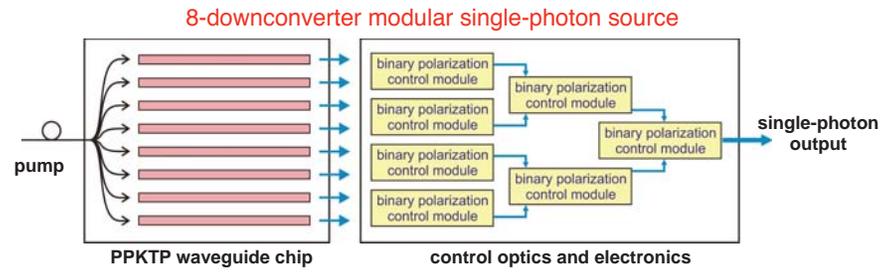


- Photonic QC needs single photons
- The best current approximation to a true single photon source is spontaneous downconversion.
- Downconversion modes with well-understood spatial and frequency properties, and excellent coupling efficiency: up to 89% has been demonstrated (ADD reference to Franson?)
- By conditioning on detection of single photon in one mode, with high probability there is a single photon in the other ... except sometimes, there are two! Downconversion produces photon-pairs with some probability of two or three pairs occurring.
- Two-photon terms increase quadratically with power. So the brighter the downconversion source, the worse it gets as a single-photon source.
- At first glance this isn't such a bad effect: for example, Hong-Ou-Mandel visibility drops only slightly as the power is increased nearly 10-fold.
- However, now let's look at the output from a UQ-style optical CNOT gate. We see that higher-order terms seriously degrade the entangled-state fidelity, purity, and tangle.
- So how can we get a better downconversion source? Reducing pump power does the trick, but also reduces the count rate.



- So the first part of our solution is to reduce the power, but increase the repetition rate.
- Doubling the rate improves everything as you can see! (For 3 of these plots, each data point is from a full state tomography measurement).
- The next two steps are to multiplex these sources, and to use them to improve the performance of integrated-photonic gates, e.g. in this photo from UQ. Note that we've used the wrong wavelength laser to highlight things. You can just see the fibre on the right here, but the chips are very low-loss and you can't see the waveguides at all. (Note: you *can* nicely see the reflection of Andrew's finger and iPhone in the metal support under the chip).

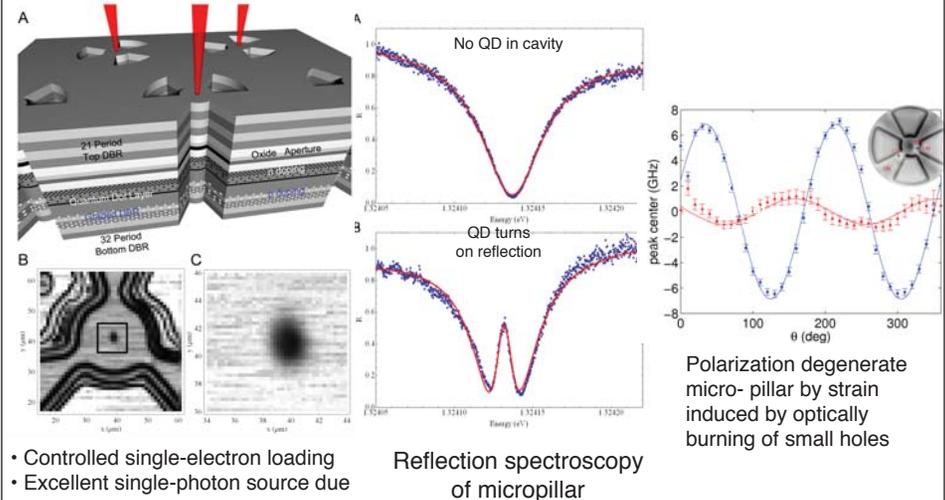
Better Single-photon Sources: Multiplexed downconversion



From Franco Wong

Modular on-demand source proposal: OL [32](#), 2698 (2007)
Single-mode biphoton experiment: PRL [101](#), 153602 (2008)
PPKTP waveguide downconversion: OE [17](#), 12019 (2009)

Better Single-photon Sources: Quantum Dots in Micropillars



- Controlled single-electron loading
- Excellent single-photon source due to elimination dark states by charging
- 96% matching to external mode
- Optical cavity $Q > 40,000$
- Fibre-coupled

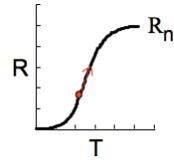
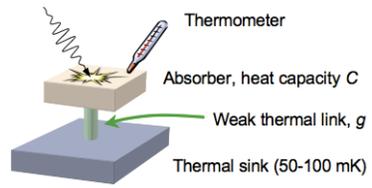
Reflection spectroscopy of micropillar

Polarization degenerate micro-pillar by strain induced by optically burning of small holes

From Dik Bouwmeester

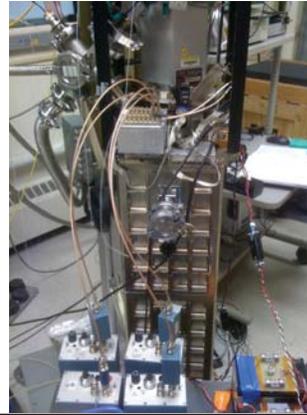
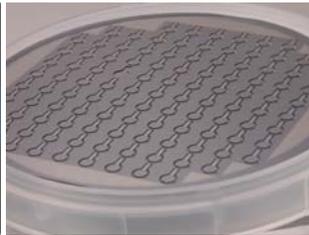
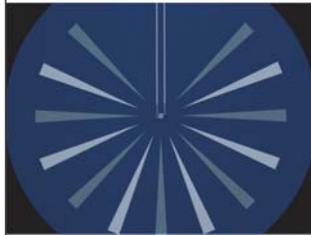


Better Single-photon Detectors



UQ: ~98.5%

Quantum efficiency, $\eta \sim 20\%$
w. AR coating $\eta \sim 95\%$

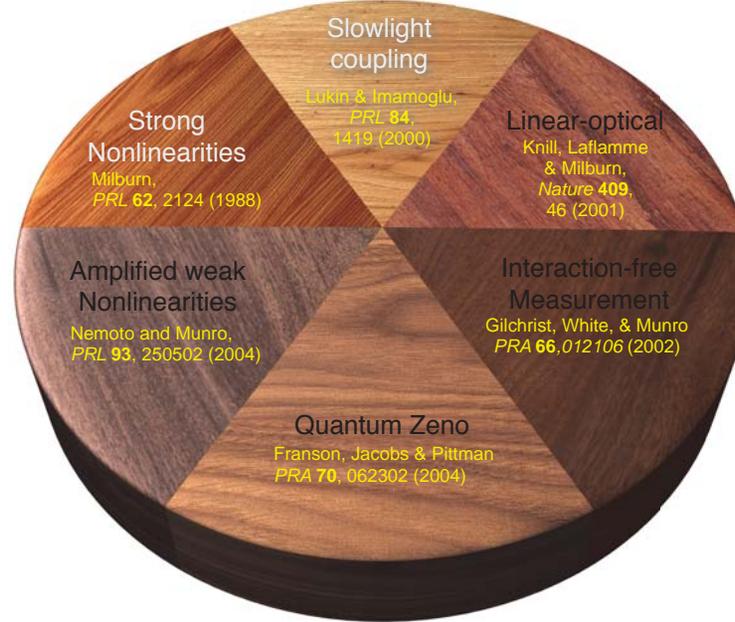


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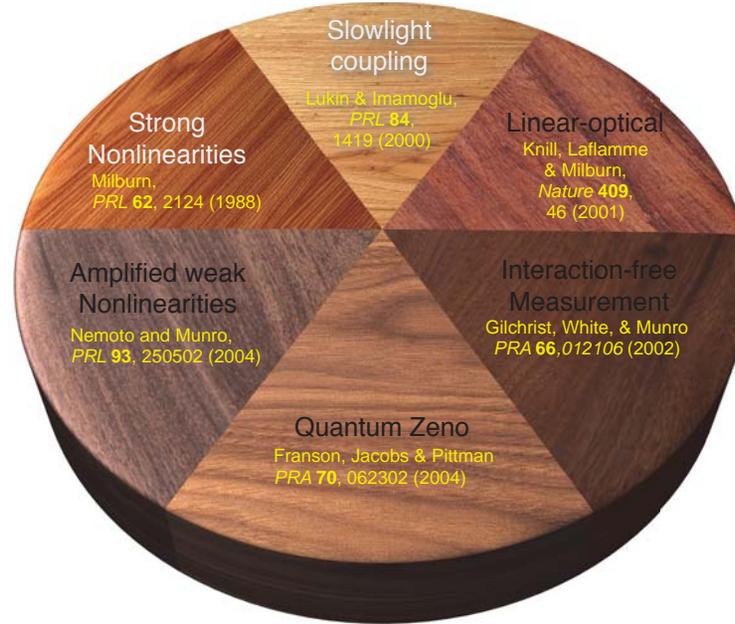
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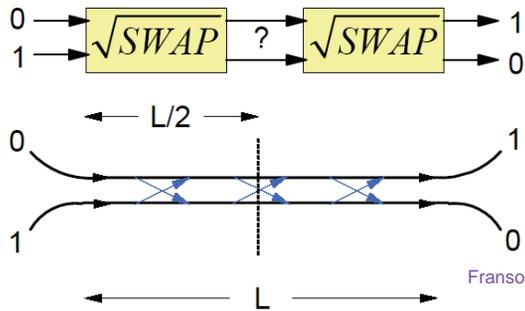
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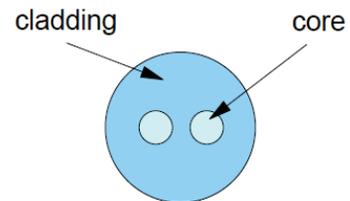
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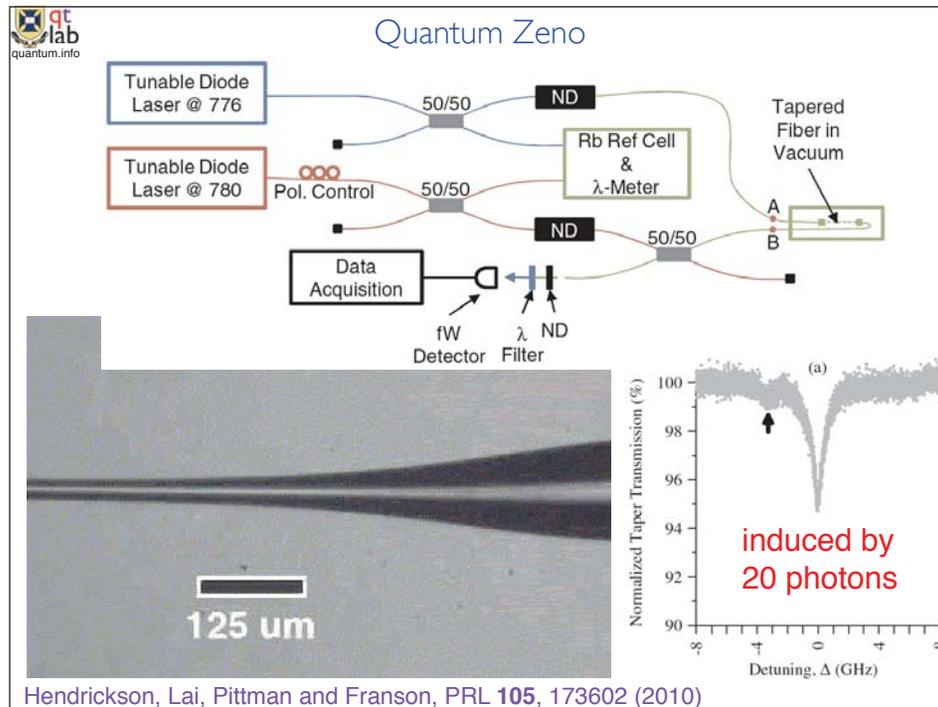
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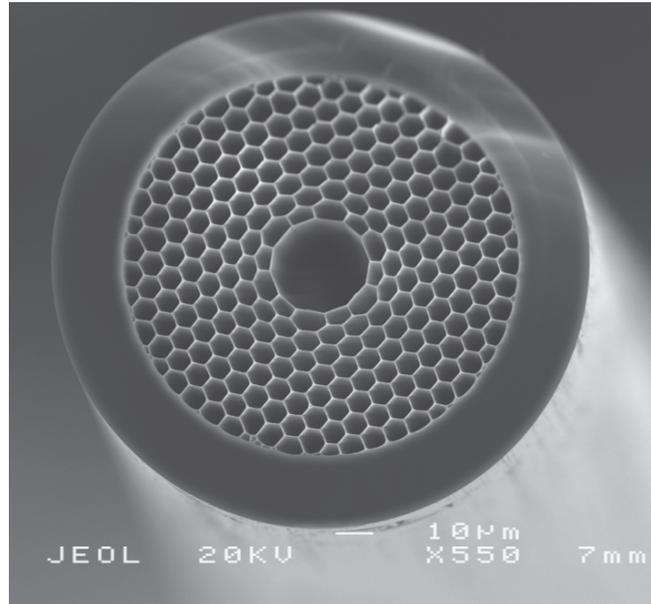
effects of loss? c.f. "interaction-free" measurements

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Quantum Zeno



Luiten et al., preprint (2011)

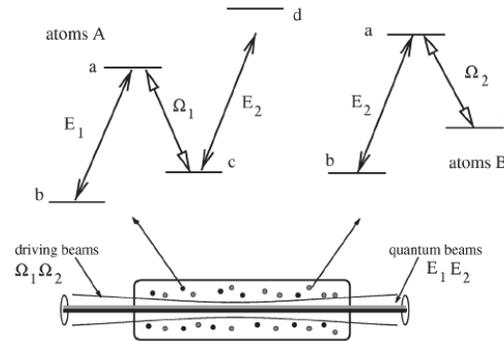
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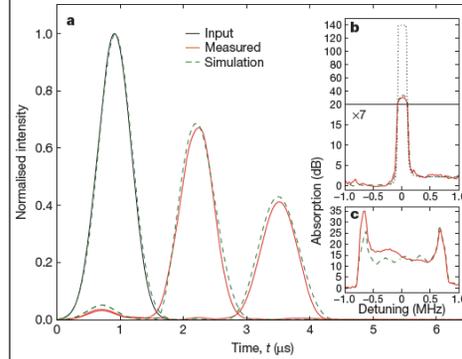
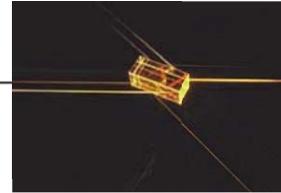
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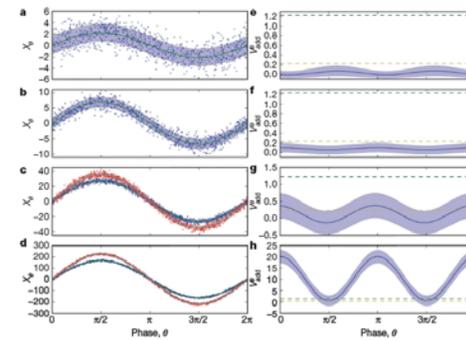
LETTERS

Efficient quantum memory for light

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recall efficiency of 69%



quantum-noise limited

Using quantum memories



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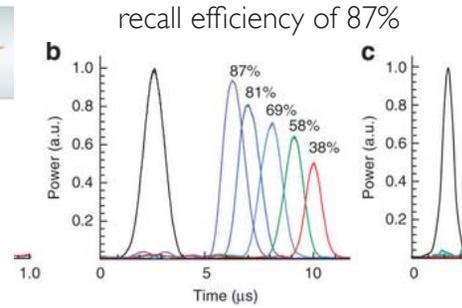
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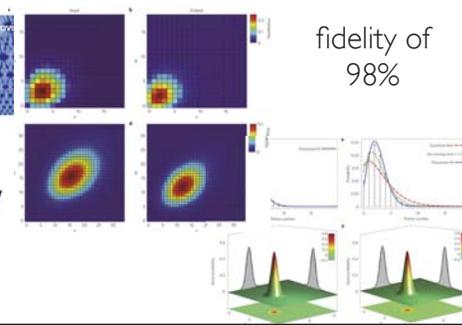
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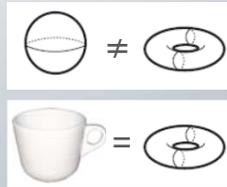


Emulating quantum physics

TOPOLOGY

Geometry:

concerned with spatial properties which persist under continuous deformations of objects

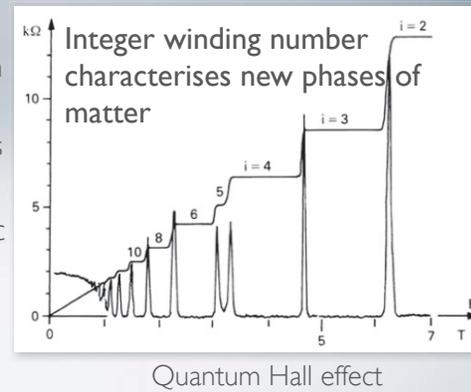


Topological invariant, Z
= Number of holes

Quantum physics:

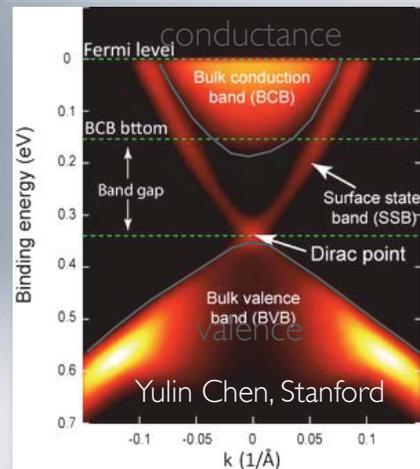
properties which persist under continuous deformations of system Hamiltonian
eigenstates have closed trajectories
winding in ground-state wavefn, not undone by microscopic details

We study 1D topological phases using quantum walks



TOPOLOGICAL INSULATORS

nothing to do with shape, insulating is not the interesting feature*...



what happens when we move between areas with different topological invariants? e.g. solid to vacuum

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topological insulator



topological invariants cannot remain defined

if invariants always defined for insulators, surface must be metallic

simplest example of knotted 3D electronic band structure, with 2 bands
real structures require 4 bands!

J. E. Moore, 'The birth of topological insulators', Nature **464**, 194 (2010)

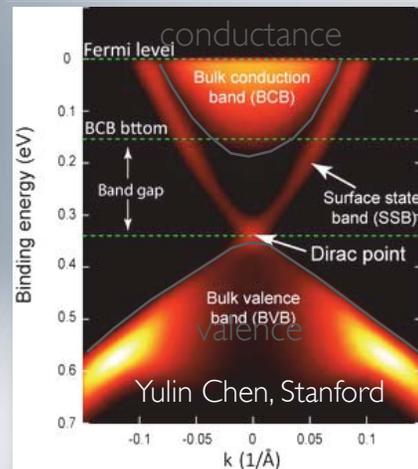
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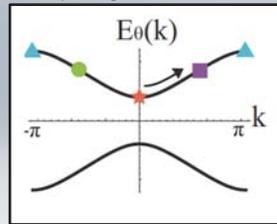
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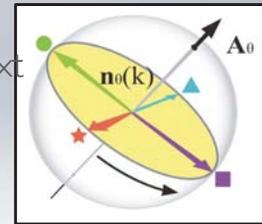
TOPOLOGICAL INSULATORS & QUANTUM WALKS

$$H(\theta) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} dk [E_{\theta}(k) n_{\theta}(k) \sigma] \otimes |k\rangle\langle k|$$

Quasi-energy spectrum for spin **up** and **down**



Spinor eigenstates at each momentum k



winding number, Z

$$U(\theta) = e^{iH(\theta)\delta t}$$

$$U(\theta) = \hat{T} \hat{R}(\theta)$$

$$U^N(\theta) = e^{iH(\theta)N\delta t}$$

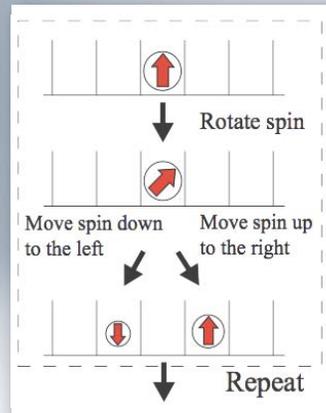
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unitvector $n_{\theta}(k) = (n_x, n_y, n_z)$ defines the quantization axis for the spinor eigenstates at each momentum k , $\sigma = (\sigma_x, \sigma_y, \sigma_z)$ is the vector of Pauli matrices

Because the evolution is prescribed stroboscopically at unit intervals, the eigenvalues $\pm E_{\theta}(k)$ of $H(\theta)$ are only determined up to integer multiples of 2π . The corresponding band structure is thus a “quasi-energy” spectrum, with 2π periodicity in energy.

E_{θ} energy eigenstates,
 A_{θ} are the spinor eigenstates

QUANTUM WALKS



$$\hat{R}(\theta) = e^{-i\theta\sigma_y} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{T} &= \sum_x |x-1\rangle\langle x| \otimes |0\rangle\langle 0| + |x+1\rangle\langle x| \otimes |1\rangle\langle 1| \\ &= \sum_k e^{ik\sigma_z} \otimes |k\rangle\langle k| \end{aligned}$$

$$U(\theta) = \hat{T}\hat{R}(\theta)$$

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coin and step now rewritten in momentum space

TOPOLOGICAL PHASES & DISCRETE QUANTUM WALKS

$$H(\theta) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} dk [E_{\theta}(k) n_{\theta}(k) \sigma] \otimes |k\rangle\langle k|$$

Particle-hole symmetry ✓

$$PHP^{-1} = -H$$

$$P^2 = 1$$

Chiral symmetry ✓

$$\Gamma_{\theta}^{-1} H(\theta) \Gamma_{\theta} = -H(\theta)$$

$$\Gamma_{\theta} = e^{-i\pi A_{\theta} \sigma / 2}$$

Time-reversal symmetry ✓

$$THT^{-1} = H$$

$$T = \Gamma_{\theta} P$$

$$T^2 = 1$$

		Particle-Hole Symmetry			Particle-Hole Symmetry		
		+1	-1	×	+1	-1	×
Time-Reversal Symmetry	+1	Z SSH					
	-1	Z ₂	Z		Z ₂		Z ₂ QSH
	×	Z ₂		Z Chiral	Z	Z	Z IQH
		1D			2D		

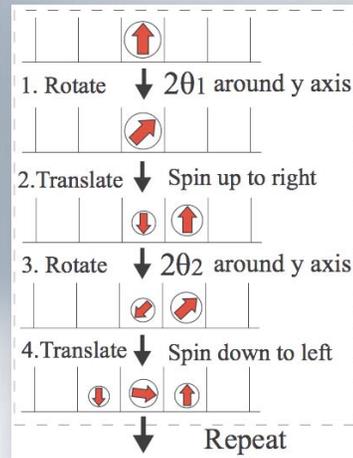
All QW to date, $Z = 1$

TR follows from chiral and PH. The other CPT. So must be in top-left box, PH and TR classify, and chiral gives the flavour.

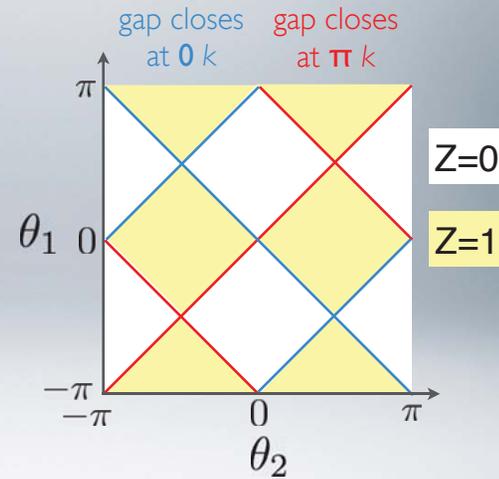
For canonical QW (using Hadamard), $Z=1$. Everyone who has done QW has done this. We want to study transition, to another Z. Modify H to allow different chiral sym.

VARYING THE WINDING NUMBER

split-step walk



enables $Z = 1$ and $Z = 0$

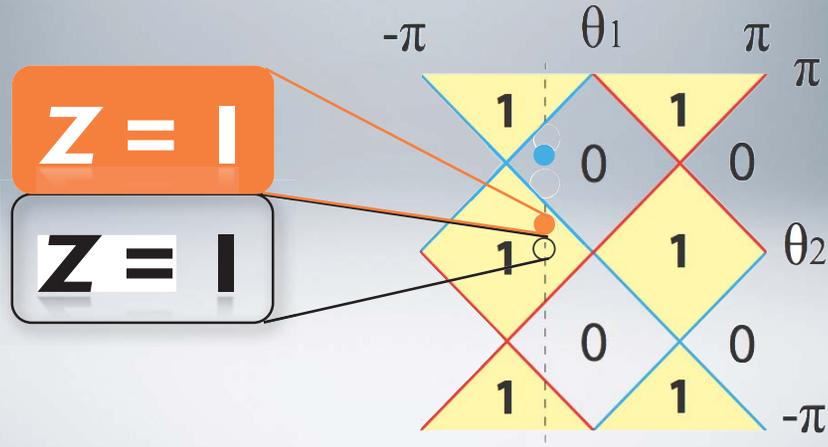


$$U_{ss}(\theta_1, \theta_2) = T_{\downarrow} R(\theta_2) T_{\uparrow} R(\theta_1)$$

different translations for spin-up and spin-down. Go back to syms, get this phase diagram. Blue is gap closes at pi, red is gap closes at 0.

VARYING THE WINDING NUMBER

$$U_{ss}(\theta_1, \theta_2) = T_{\downarrow} R(\theta_2) T_{\uparrow} R(\theta_1) = T_{\downarrow} R[\theta_2(x)] T_{\uparrow} R(\theta_1)$$

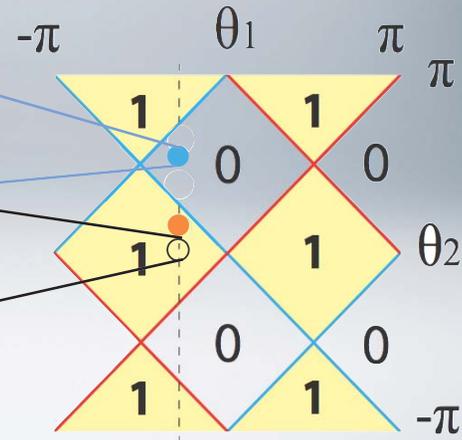


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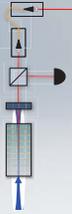
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Z = 0

Z = 1

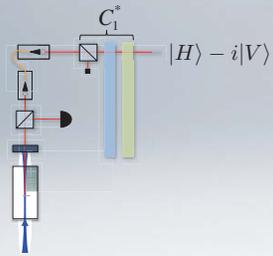


PHOTONIC DISCRETE-QW



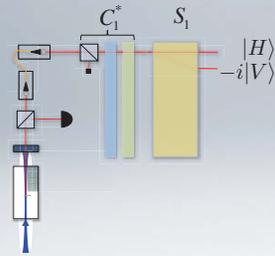
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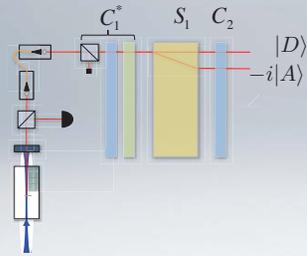
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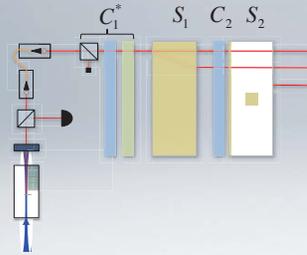
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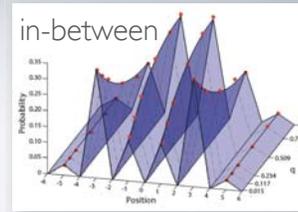
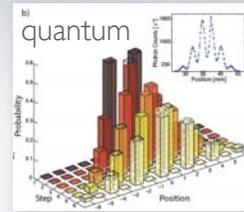
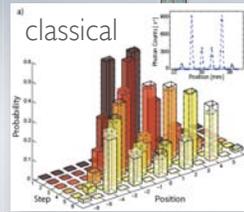
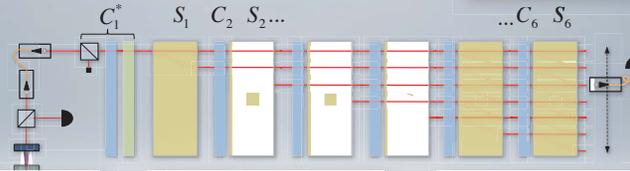
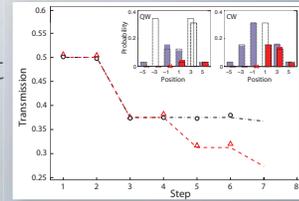
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PHOTONIC DISCRETE-QW

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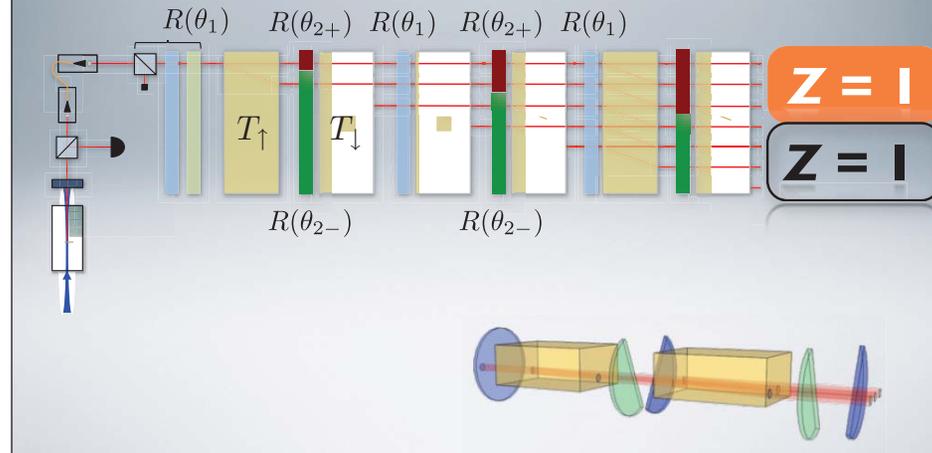
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PHOTONIC SPLIT-STEP QW

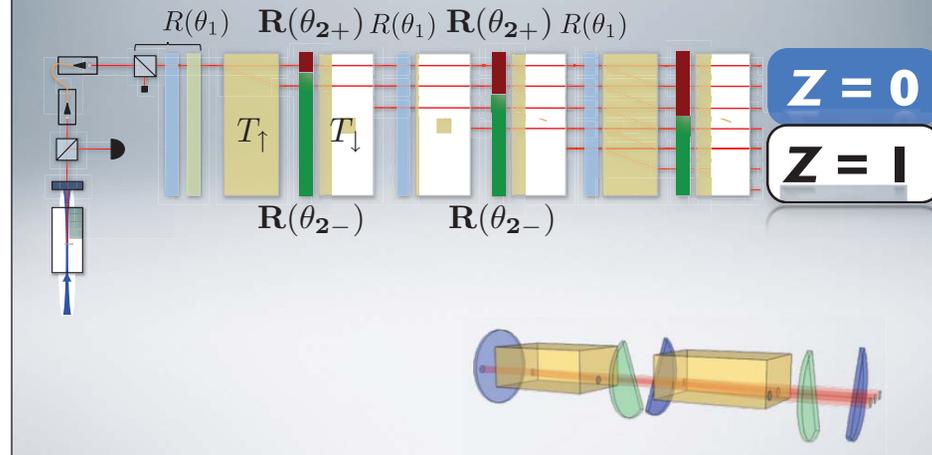
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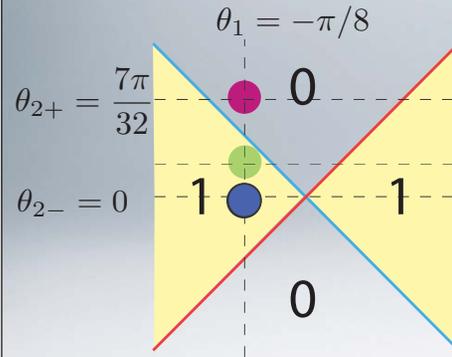


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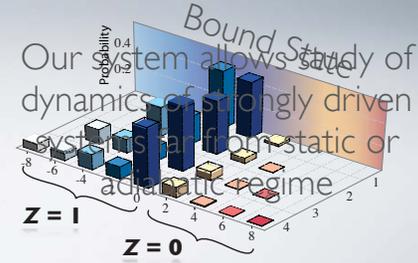
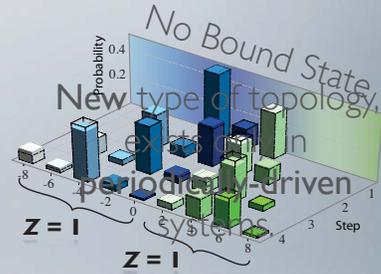


TOPOLOGICAL PHASE SIGNATURES

First confirmation of **robust bound states**
as predicted for SSH – polyacetylene and
Jackiw-Rebbi – Fermi/Bose



behaviour function of **topology**,
not start & end points



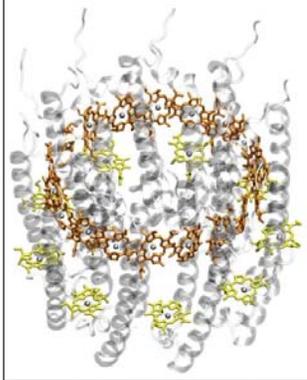
'Observation of topologically protected bound states in photonic quantum walks', *preprint* (2011)

Emulating quantum biology

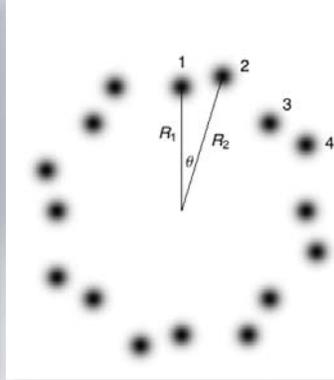
PHOTOSYNTHETIC TRANSPORT

Purple bacteria Rhodospirillum rubrum: light-harvesting complex (LH II)

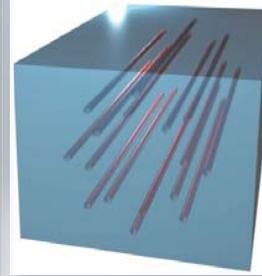
Exciton in light-harvesting complex: too fast for tunnelling



Bacteriochlorophyll rings
B800 and B850



Quantum walk
continuous,
circular, decohered



$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial z} a_k^\dagger(z) = \beta_k a_k^\dagger(z) + \sum_{j \neq k}^N C_{jk} a_j^\dagger(z)$$

$$C_{ij} = C_0 e^{-r_{ij}/r_0}$$

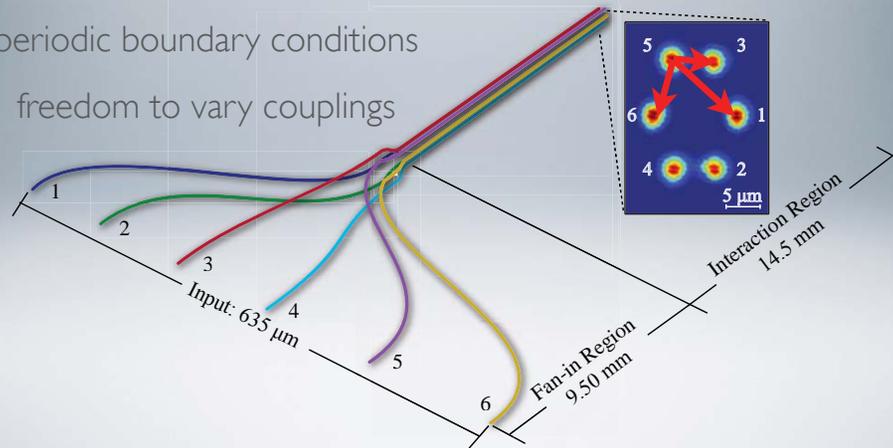
PRELIMINARY MODEL

Advantages

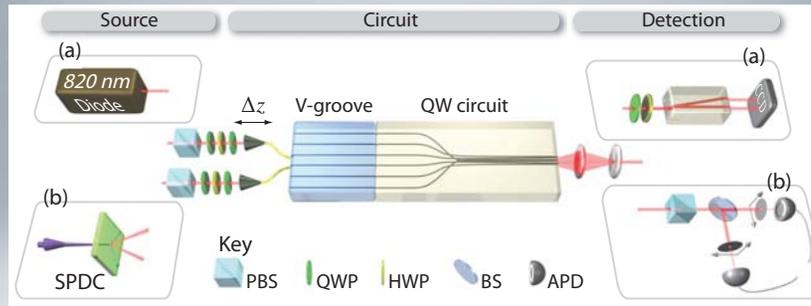
access to all inputs and outputs

periodic boundary conditions

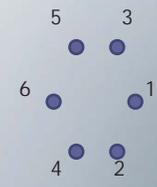
freedom to vary couplings



PRELIMINARY MODEL

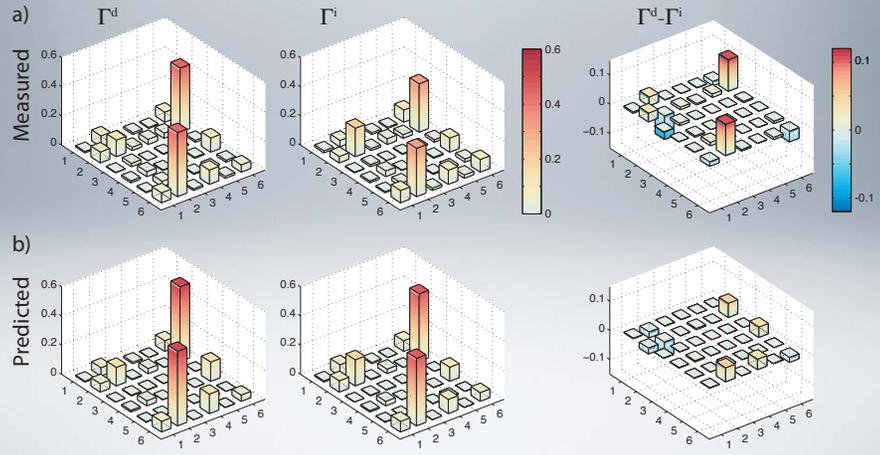


PRELIMINARY MODEL



Distinguishable
= non-interacting walkers

Indistinguishable
= interacting walkers



QUANTUM TOMOGRAPHY

State tomography: measure combinations of basis states

	0	1	0 + 1	0 + i1
H	V	D	R	
HH	VH	DH	RH	
HV	VV	DV	RV	
HD	VD	DD	RD	
HR	VR	DR	RR	

For 2-photon states, bi-photon Stokes parameters

n -qubit state requires: 4^n measurements (minimal)
 6^n measurements (overcomplete)

Process tomography: measure combinations of basis processes

For 1-photon gates:

	I	X	Y	Z
I I	X I	Y I	Z I	
I X	XX	YX	ZX	
I Y	XY	YY	ZY	
I Z	XZ	YZ	ZR	

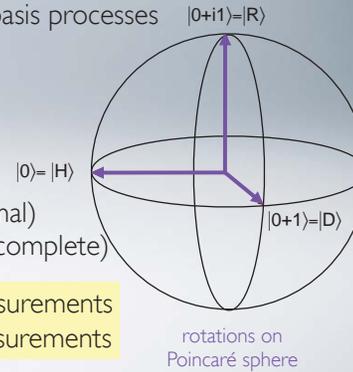
For 2-photon gates:

n -qubit gate requires: 16^n measurements (minimal)

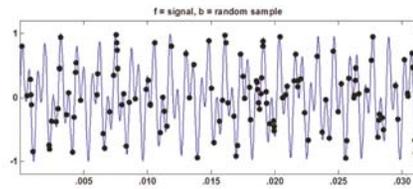
24^n measurements (overcomplete)

6-node ellipse circuit requires 191,102,976 measurements

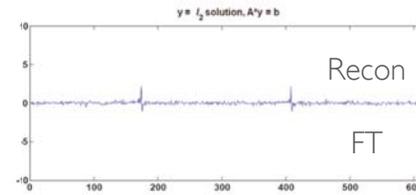
Rhodobacter circuit requires 1.21×10^{22} measurements



COMPRESSED SENSING



500 random samples ●
from 5000-pt signal \mathcal{N}



Compressed sensing
Least-squares reconstruction
(Sparse matrix)

Candès, Romberg, and Tao, IEEE Transactions on
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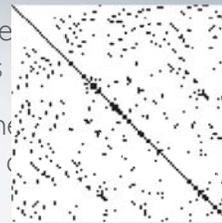
COMPRESSED TOMOGRAPHY

d -dimensional quantum system needs
 how many measurement configurations? for qubits $d=2^n$

	Full QT	Compressed QT	
state	$O(d^2)$	$O(d r \log^2 d)$	quadratically faster blind, r is matrix rank
process	$O(d^4)$	$O(s \log d)$	exponentially faster needs prior, s is matrix sparsity

engineered quantum systems aim to implement processes which are maximally-sparse in their eigenbasis

in practice—as observed in QPT experiments in NMR, photonics, ion traps, and superconducting qubits, processes are still compressible!



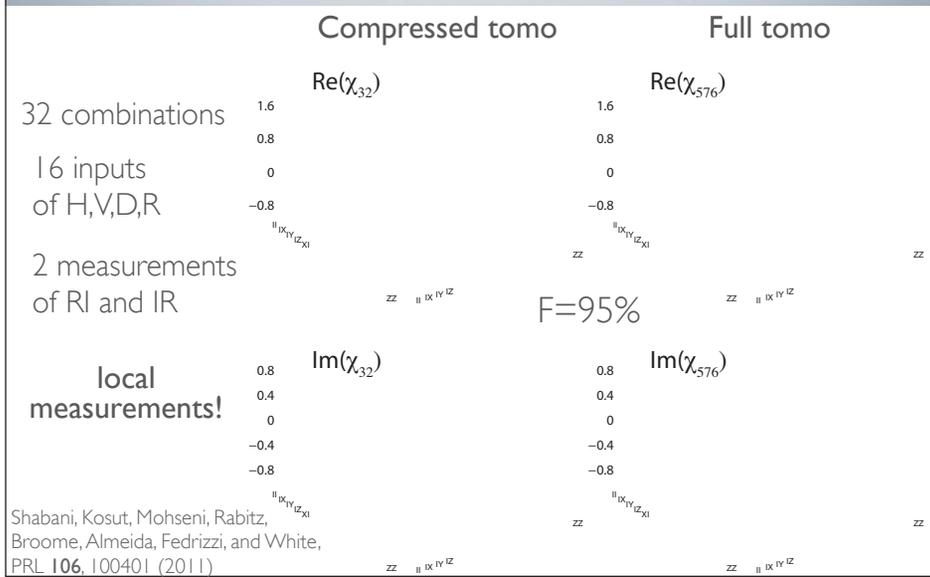
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Gross, Liu, Flammia, Becker, & Eisert,
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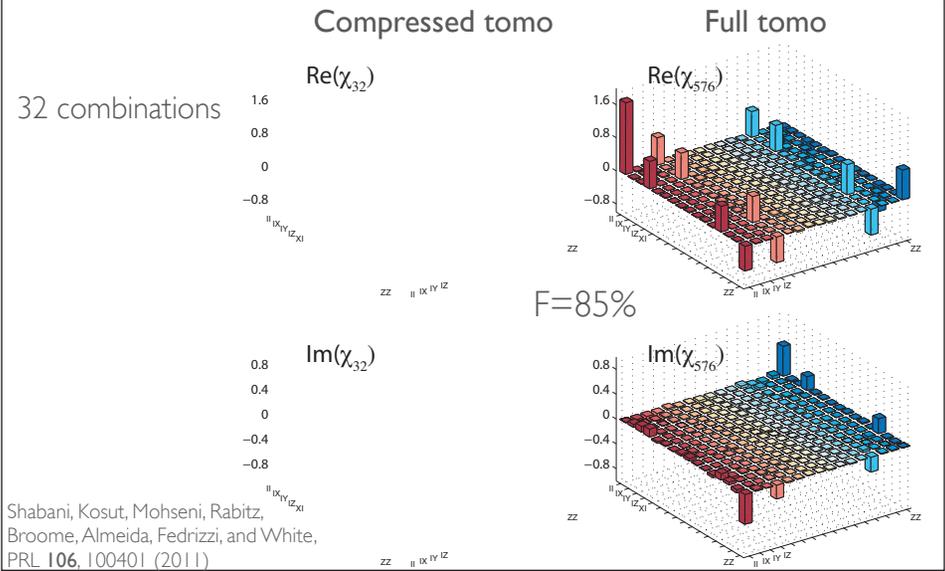
COMPRESSED TOMOGRAPHY

two-photon CZ gate low-noise, 91% purity



COMPRESSED TOMOGRAPHY

four-photon CZ gate high-noise, 62% purity



Conclusions



Take home messages

Simulation and emulation are different, and both valuable
Photonic quantum information is rapidly becoming scalable
Tomography is now a lot faster than it was

PhD, Postdocs available! See quantum.info



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