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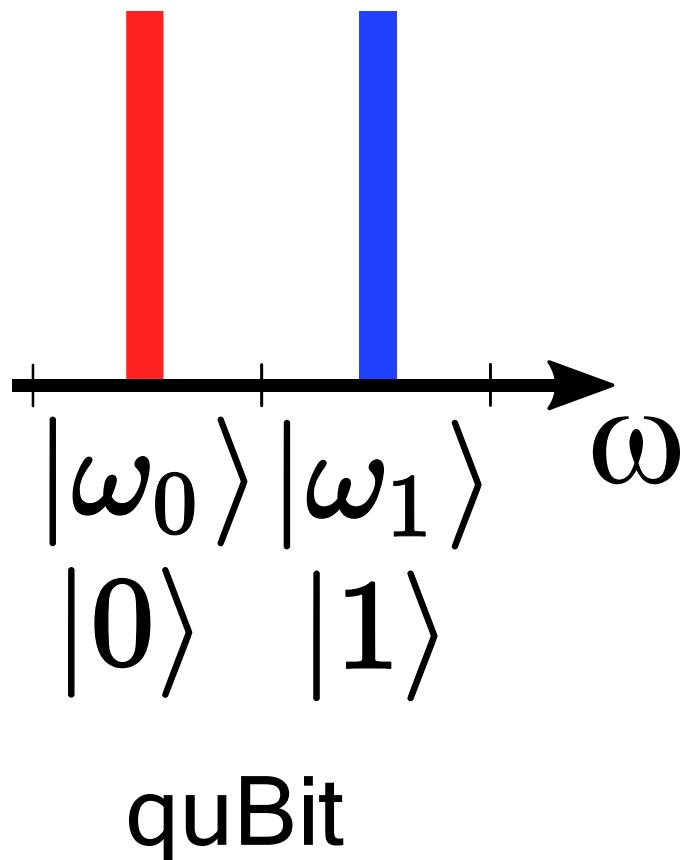
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Frequency-bin encoding:



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Dense fiber transmission

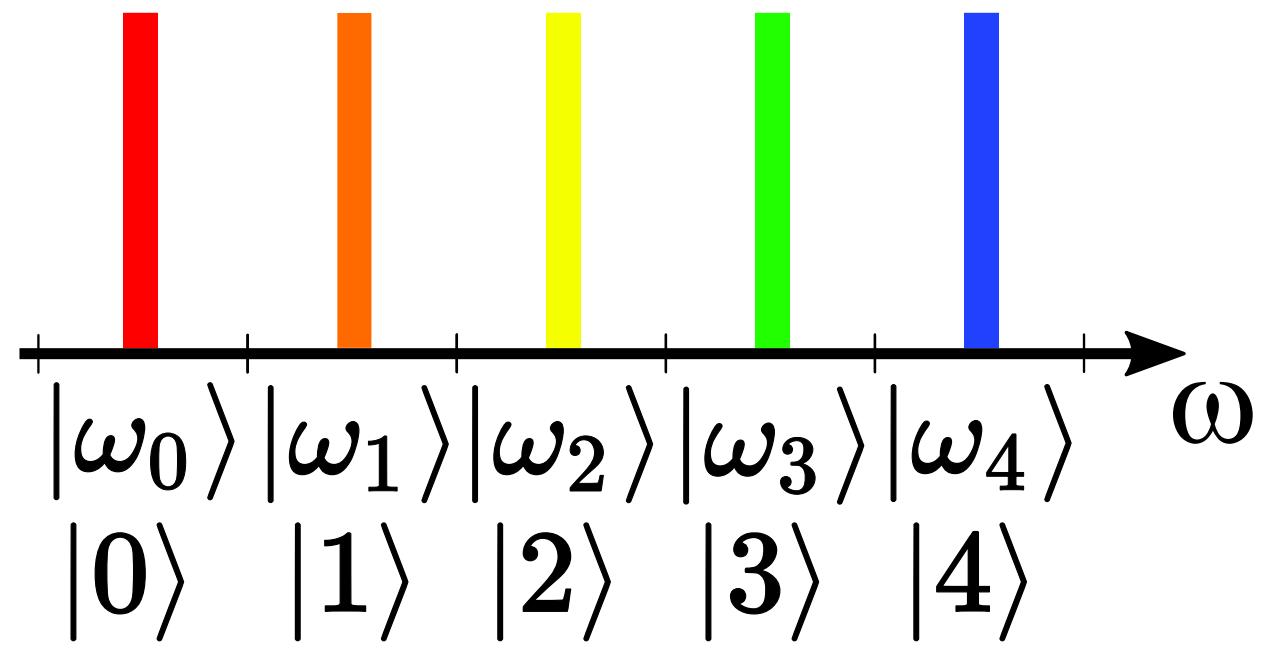
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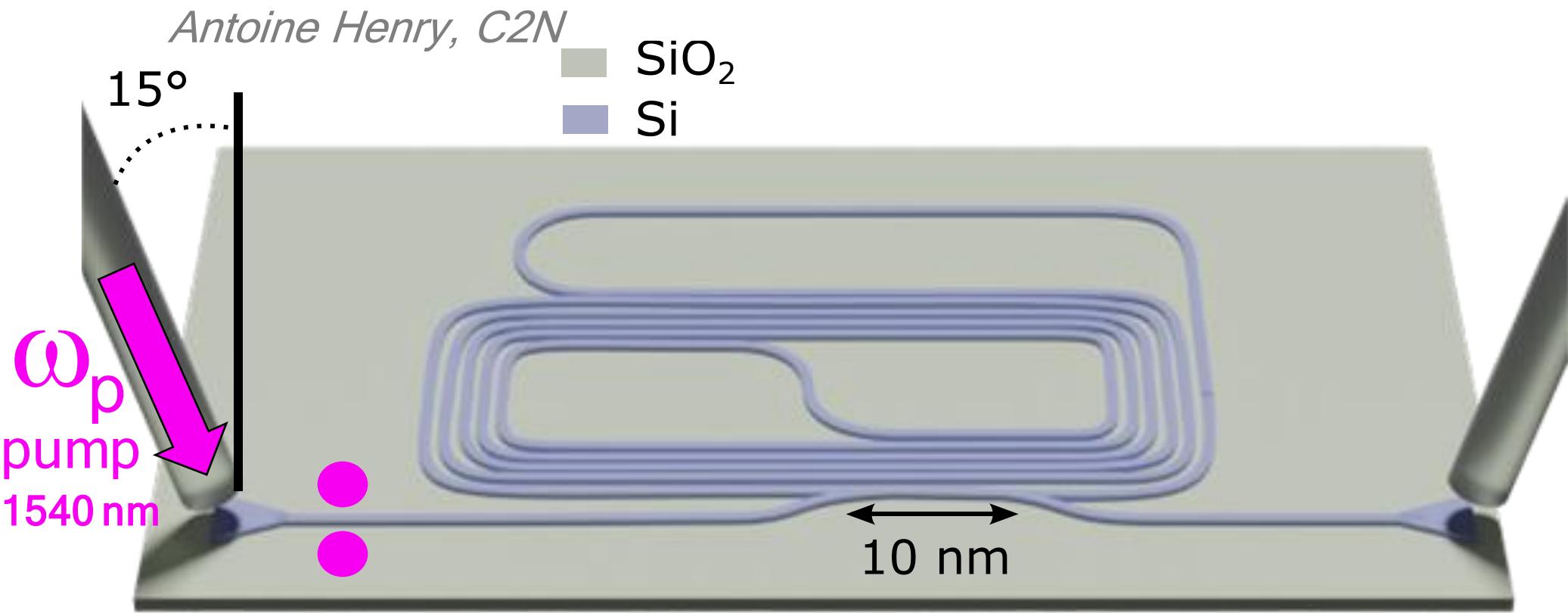
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► Silicon-on-Insulator micro resonator



Telecom frequency

Low fiber losses

Already existing telecom networks

Off-the-shelf telecom devices

[C.Harris, PRX ,4 041047 (2014)]

[C.Reimer, Opt.Express 22 6535-6546 (2014)]

Silicon technology

Widely used micro-electronics know-how

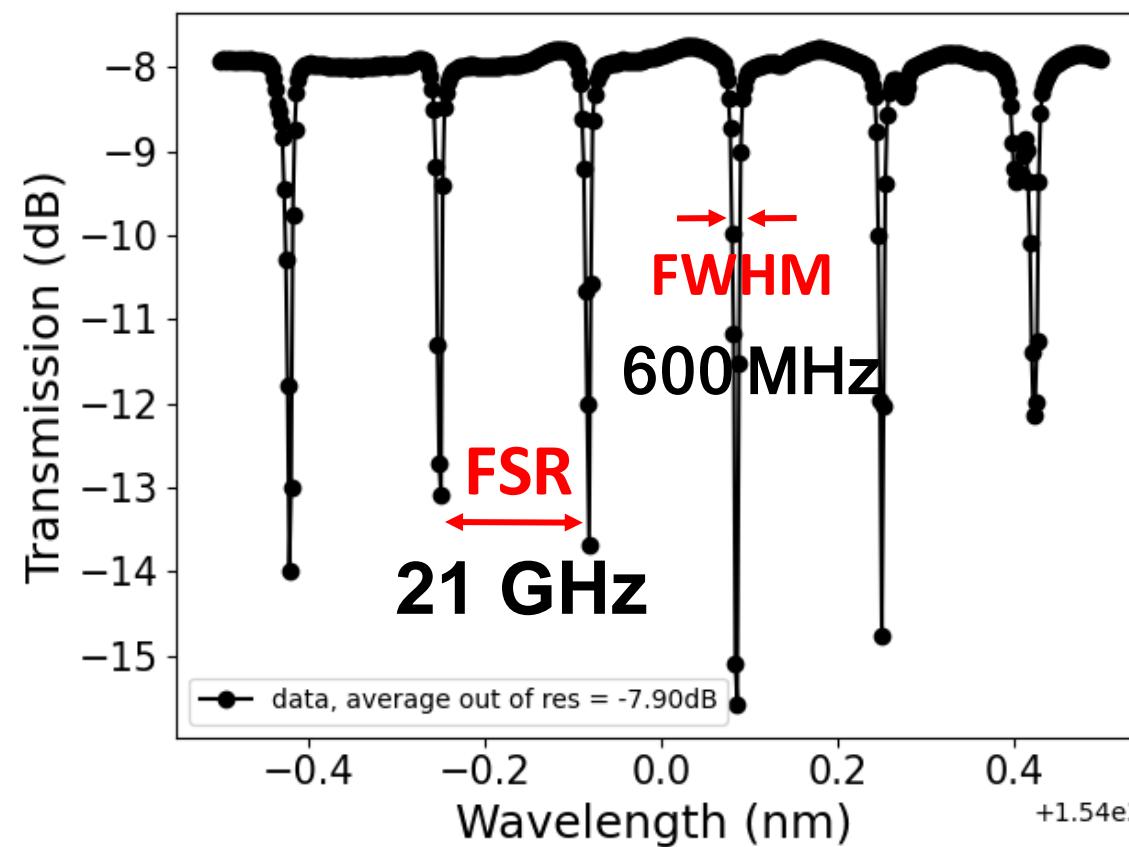
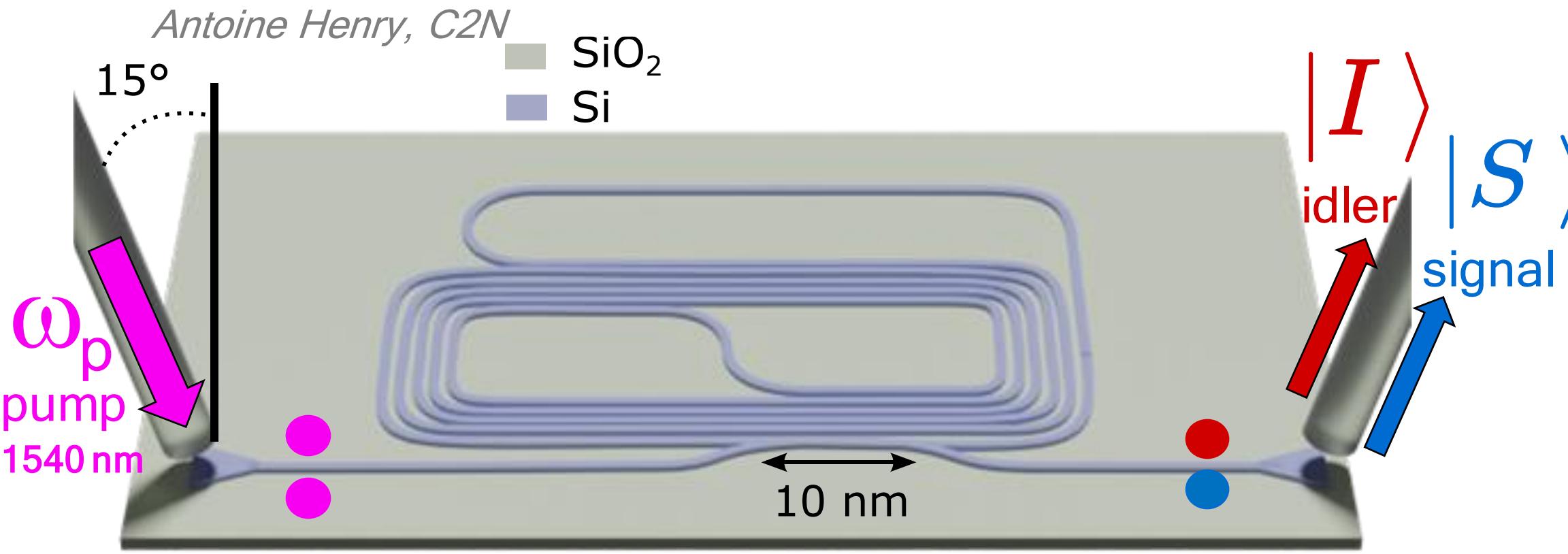
Easy to integrate, CMOS compatible, scalable

$\chi^{(3)}$ NL component ($5 \cdot 10^{-18} \text{m}^2 \text{W}^{-1}$) > SiN

[Guo, Yuan, Optics letters, 39 8 2526-9 (2014)]

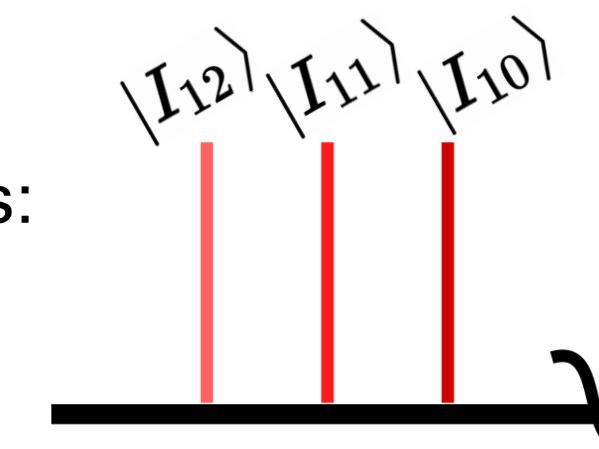
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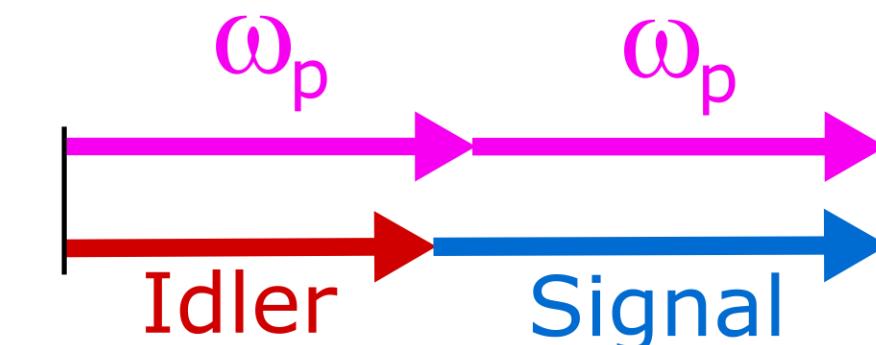


Quality factor:
 $Q = 3 \times 10^5$

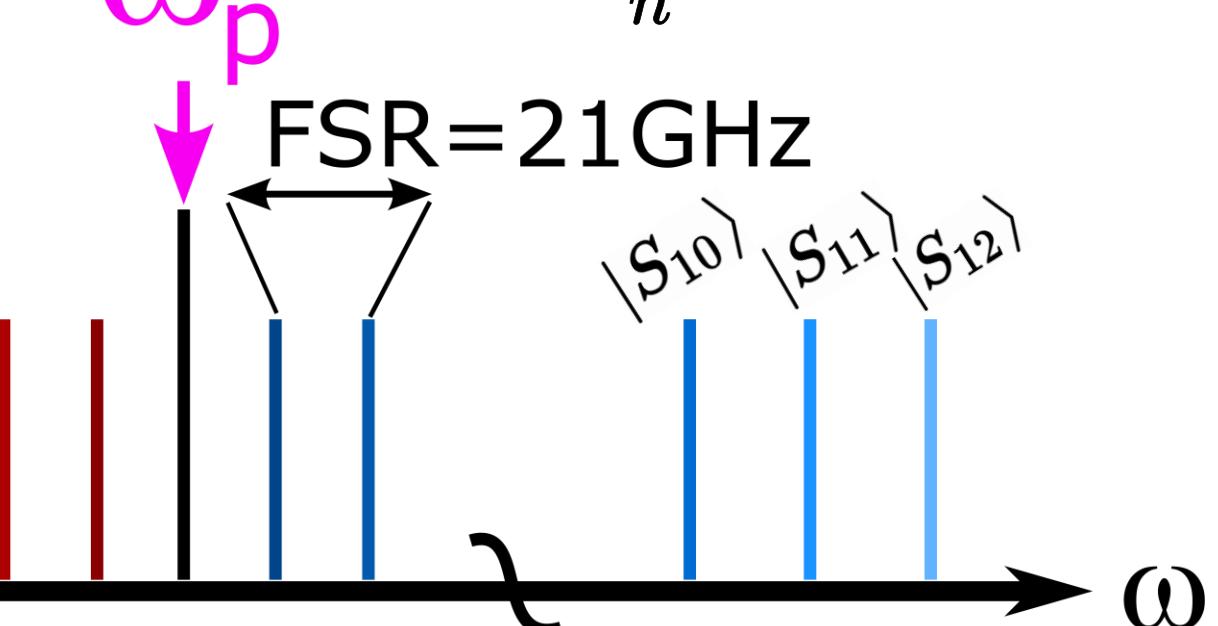
Fiber-to-fiber losses:
7.9 dB



Four Wave Mixing

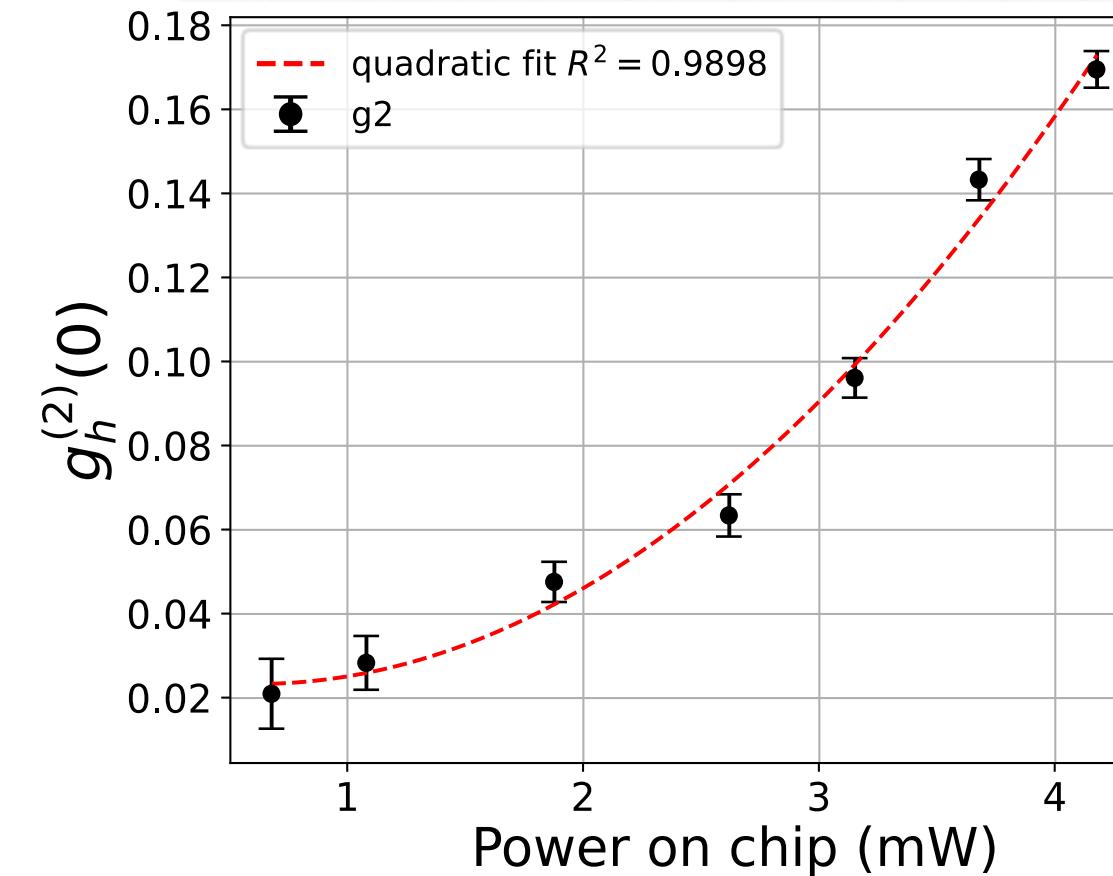
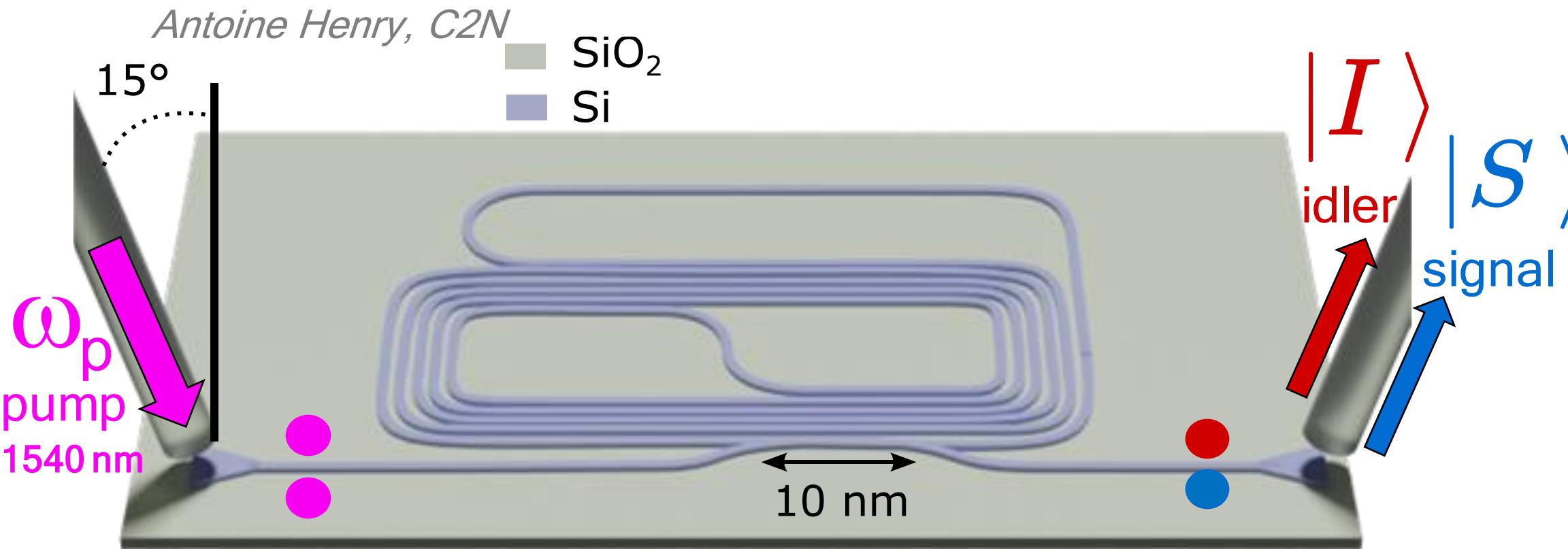


$$|\Psi\rangle \propto \sum_n e^{i\alpha_n} |I_n, S_n\rangle$$

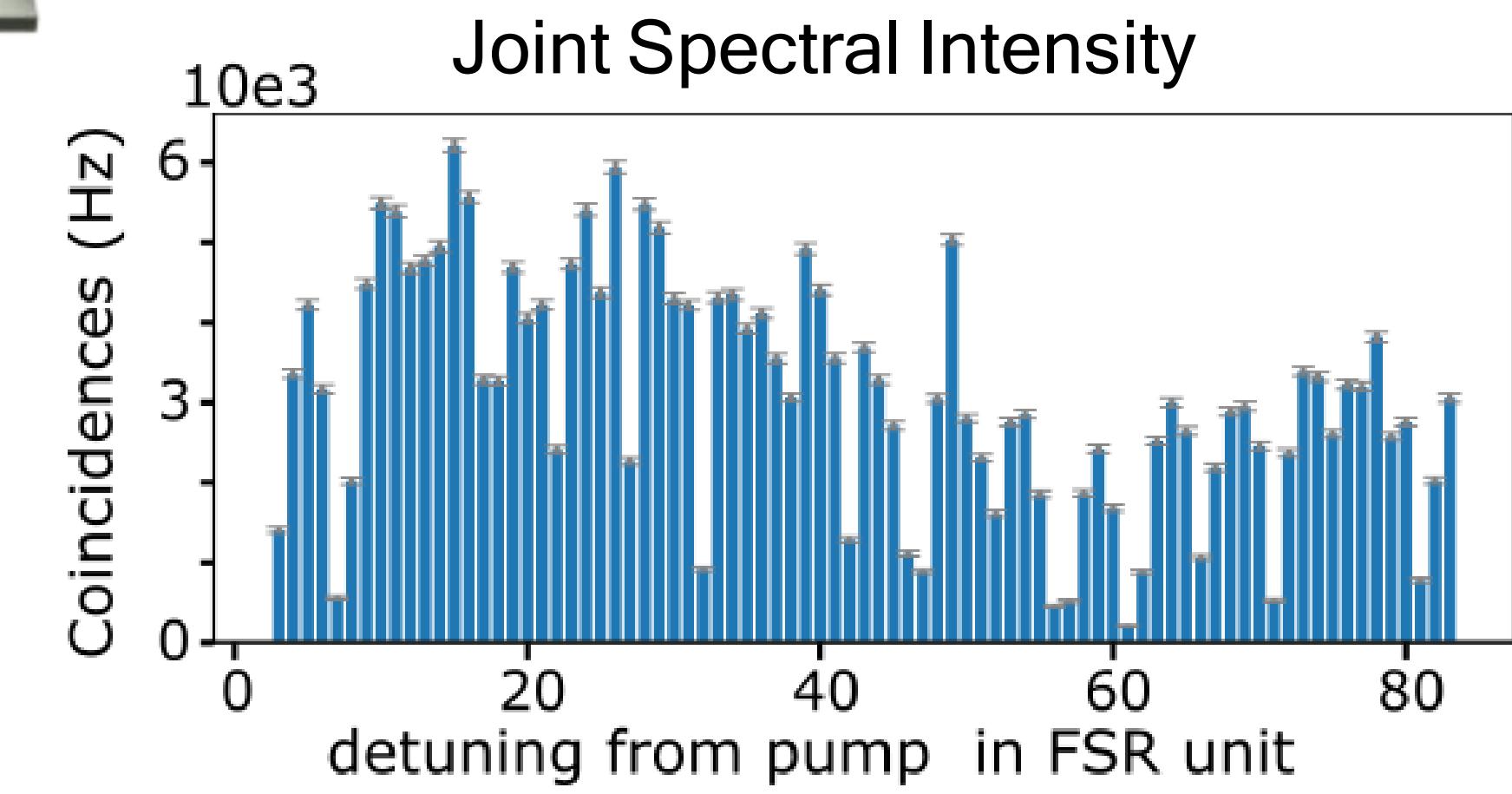
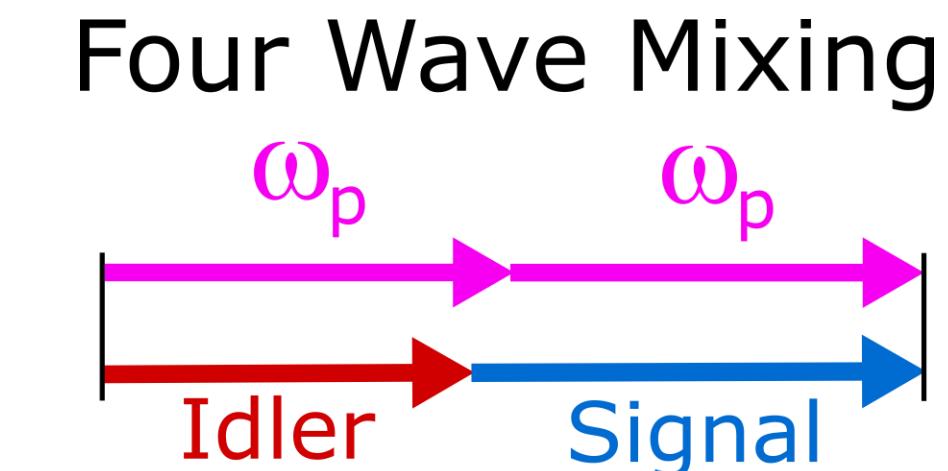


- [Kues, Nature (2017)] 200 GHz FSR
 [Imany, Opt. Express (2018)] 50GHz FSR
 [M.Borghi, Phys. Rev. Applied 19 064026 (2023)] 20 GHz FSR with multiple 100 GHz rings

Silicon-on-Insulator micro resonator

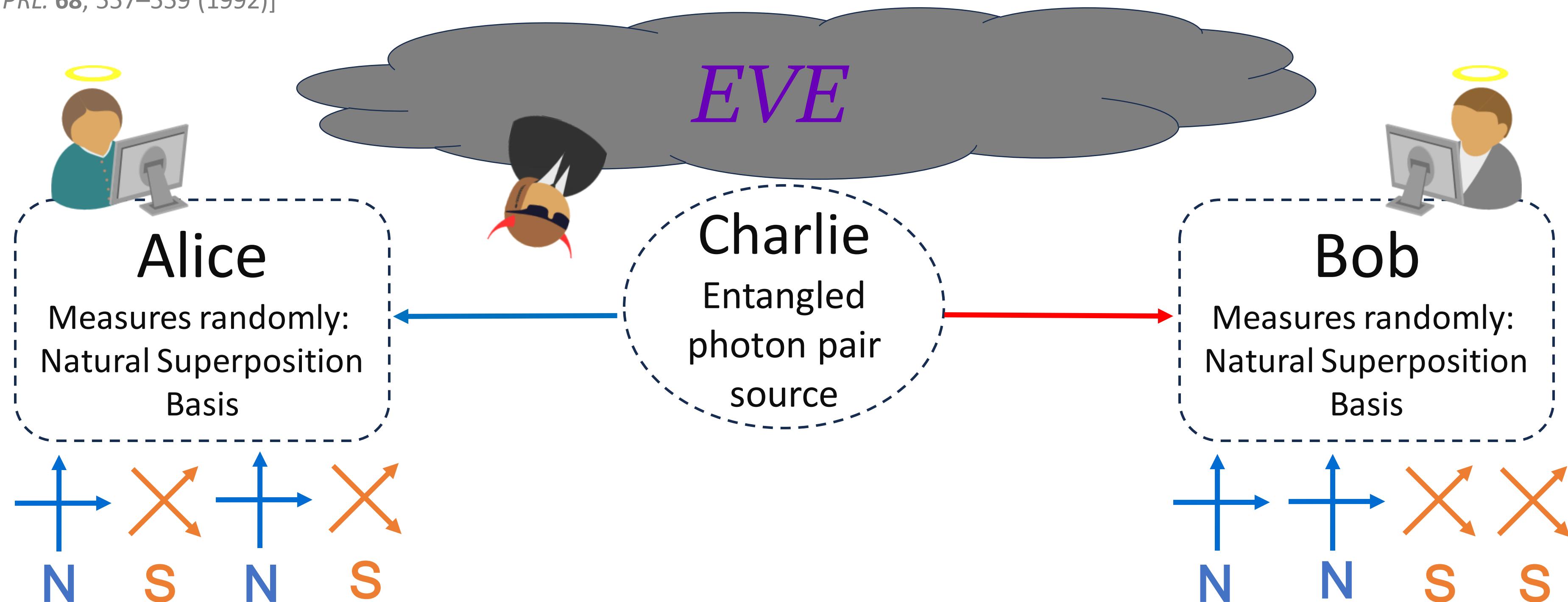


$g_h^{(2)}(0)$ of 6% at
2.4 mW on chip power
Brightness:
48M pairs.s⁻¹.GHz⁻¹.mW⁻²



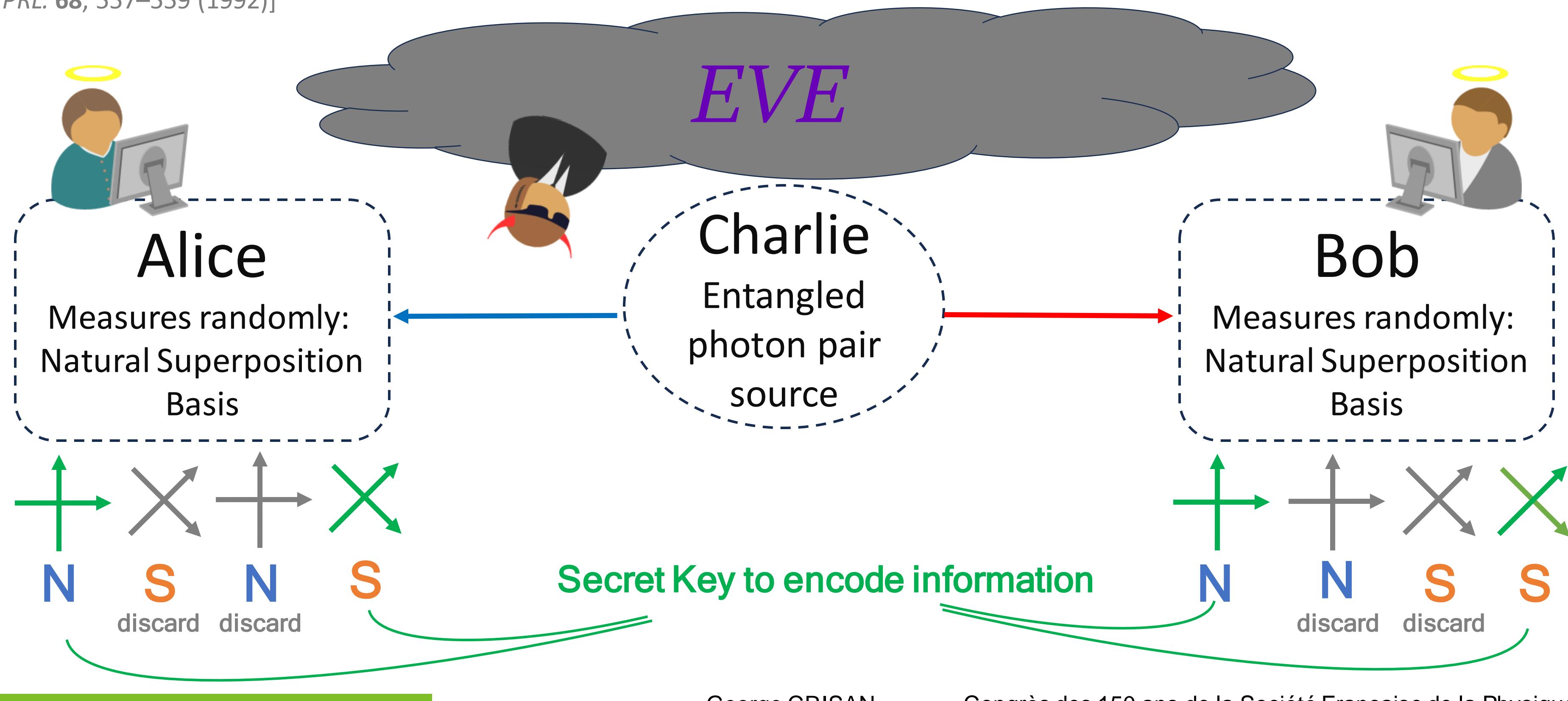
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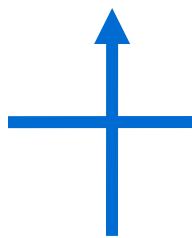
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► Natural and Superposition Basis : Polarization Vs. Frequency encoding

- Polarization



N Natural Basis



S Superposition Basis

[F.Appas, *npj Quantum Inf* 7, 118 (2021)]

[R. Winik, *Phys. Rev. B* 95 235435 (2017)]

$|H\rangle$

$|V\rangle$

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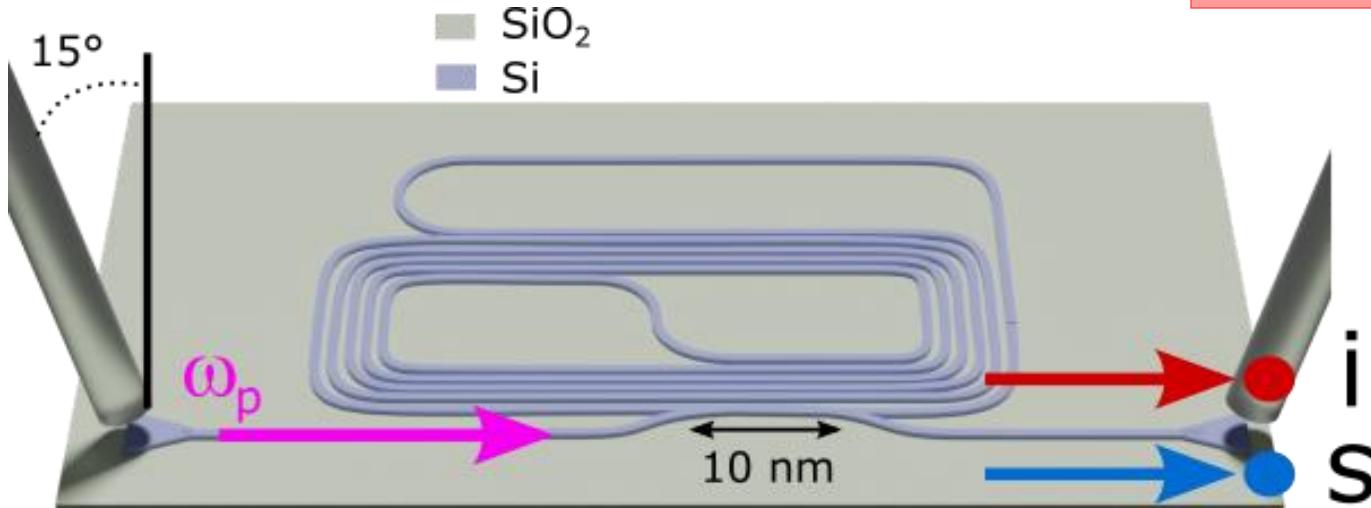


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- Frequency bins

$$D = 2$$



$$|H\rangle$$

$$|V\rangle$$

$$|n_0\rangle = |\omega_0\rangle$$

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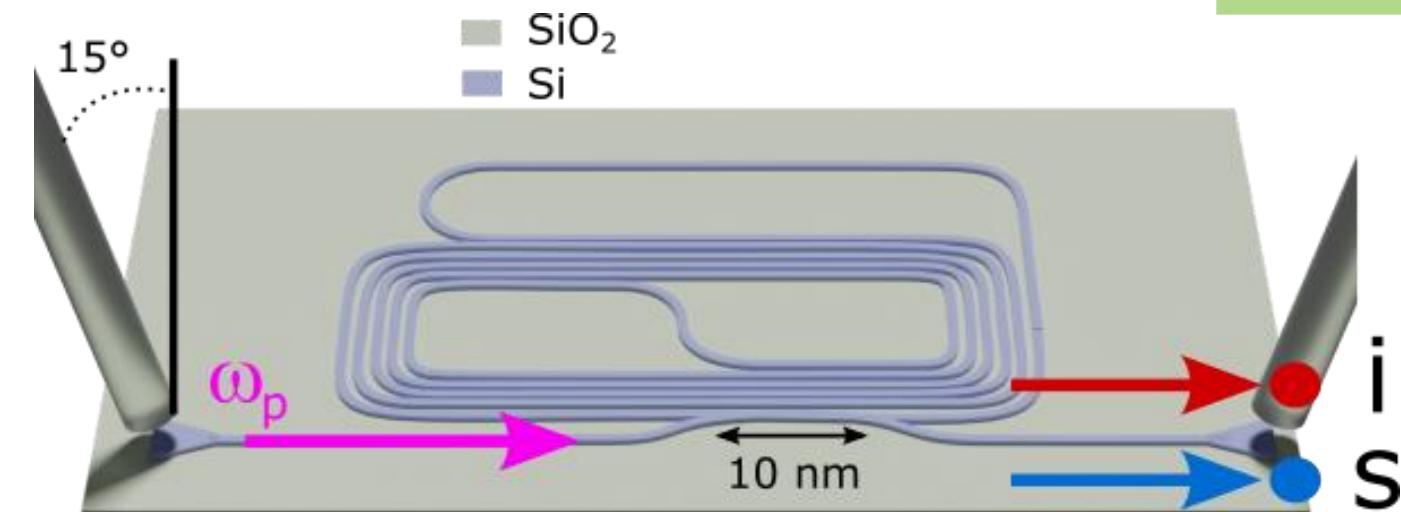


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- Frequency bins

D = 3



|H>

|V>

$$|n_0\rangle = |\omega_0\rangle$$

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$$|n_2\rangle = |\omega_2\rangle$$

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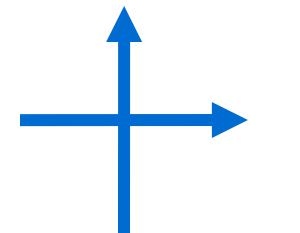
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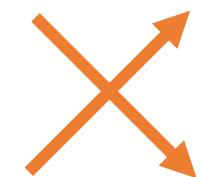
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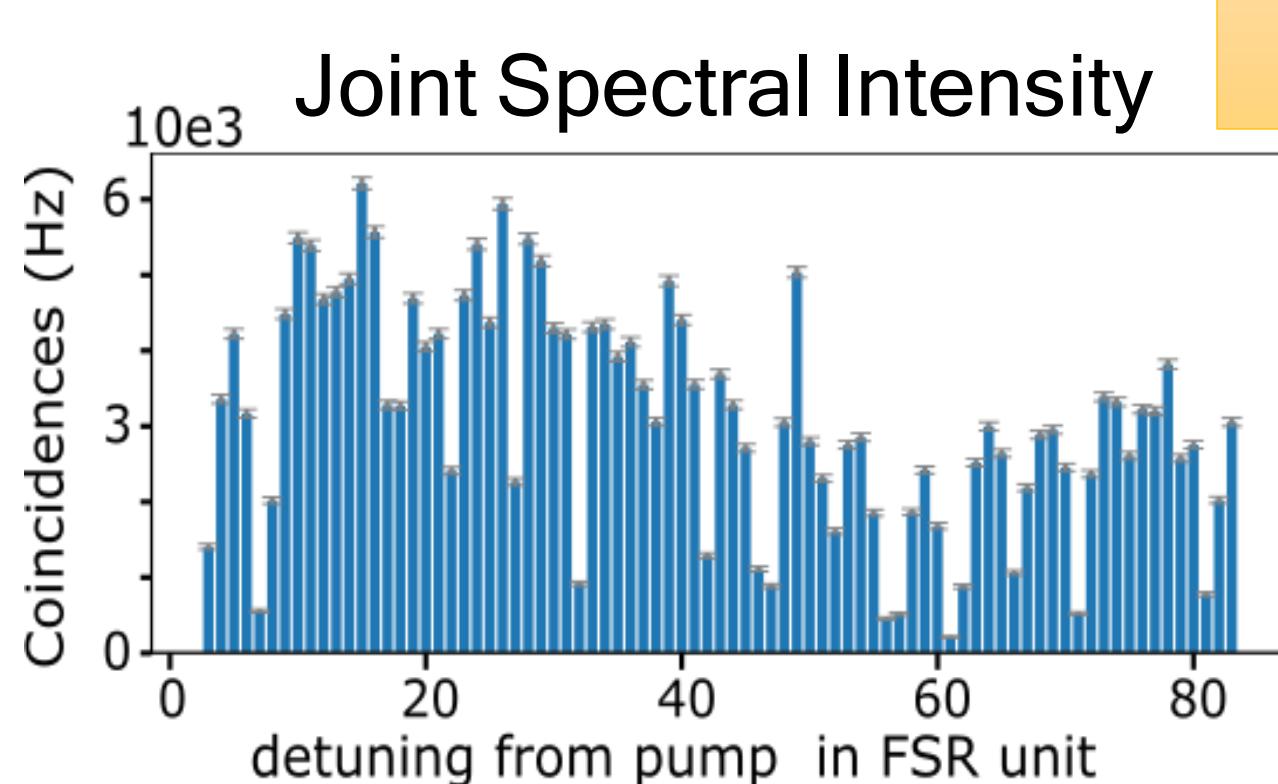


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- Frequency bins



$|H\rangle$

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$$|D\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|H\rangle + |V\rangle)$$

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etc...

$$|n_0\rangle = |\omega_0\rangle$$

$$|n_1\rangle = |\omega_1\rangle$$

$$|n_2\rangle = |\omega_2\rangle$$

$$|n_3\rangle = |\omega_3\rangle$$

$$|s_0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}} (|\omega_0\rangle + |\omega_1\rangle + |\omega_2\rangle + |\omega_3\rangle)$$

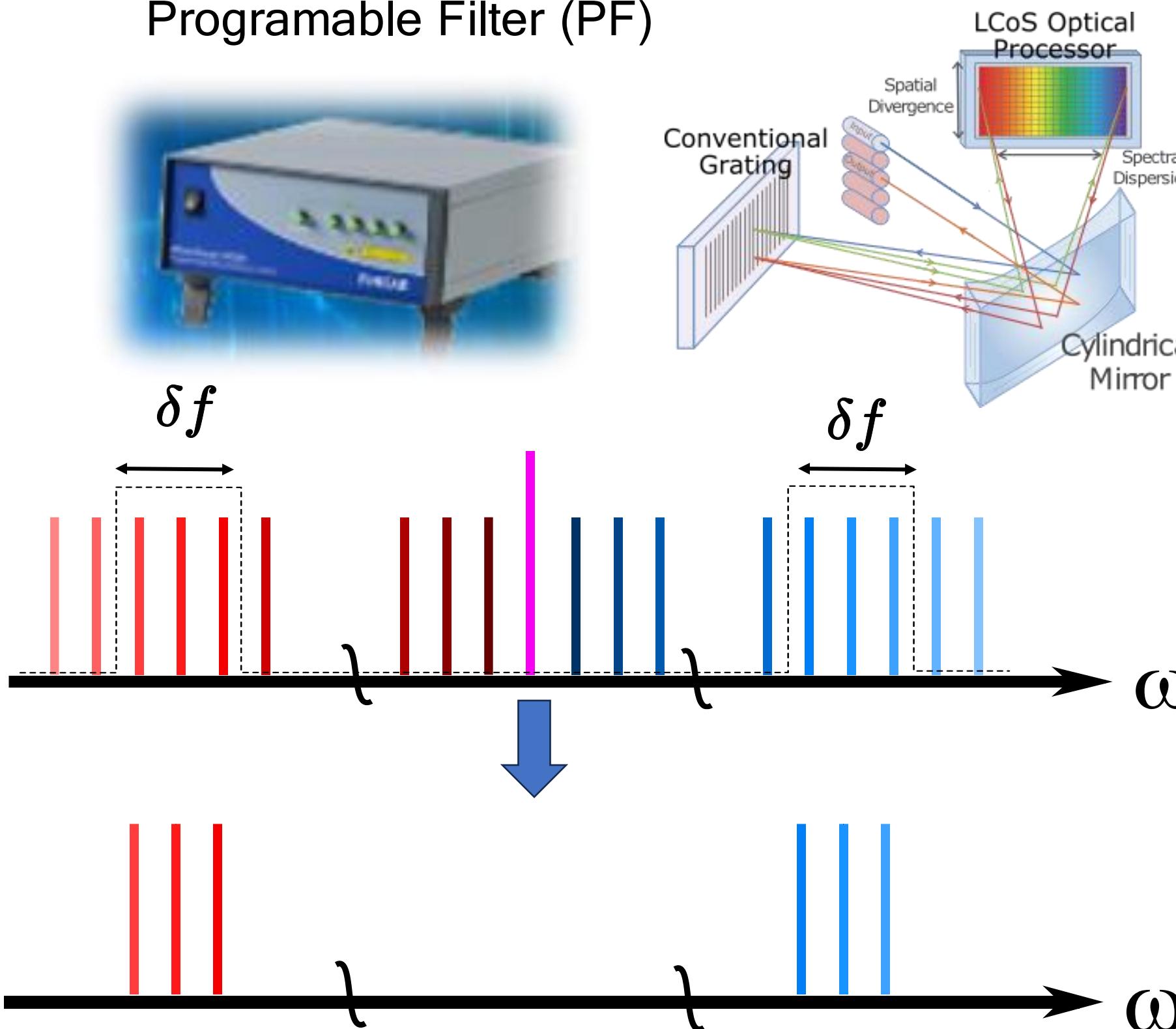
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$$|s_3\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}} (|\omega_0\rangle + e^{6i\pi/4}|\omega_1\rangle + e^{12i\pi/4}|\omega_2\rangle + e^{18i\pi/4}|\omega_3\rangle)$$

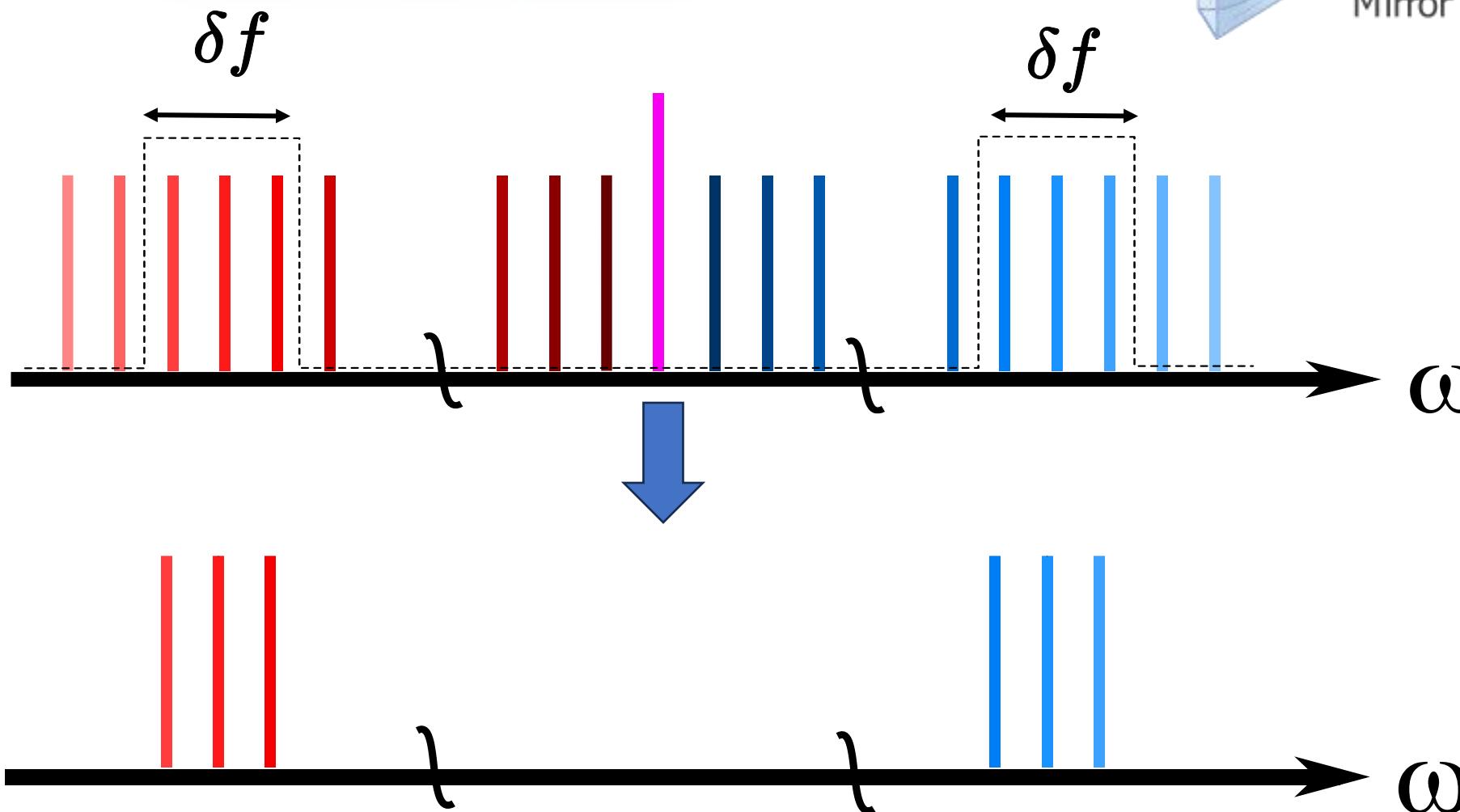
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Programable Filter (PF)



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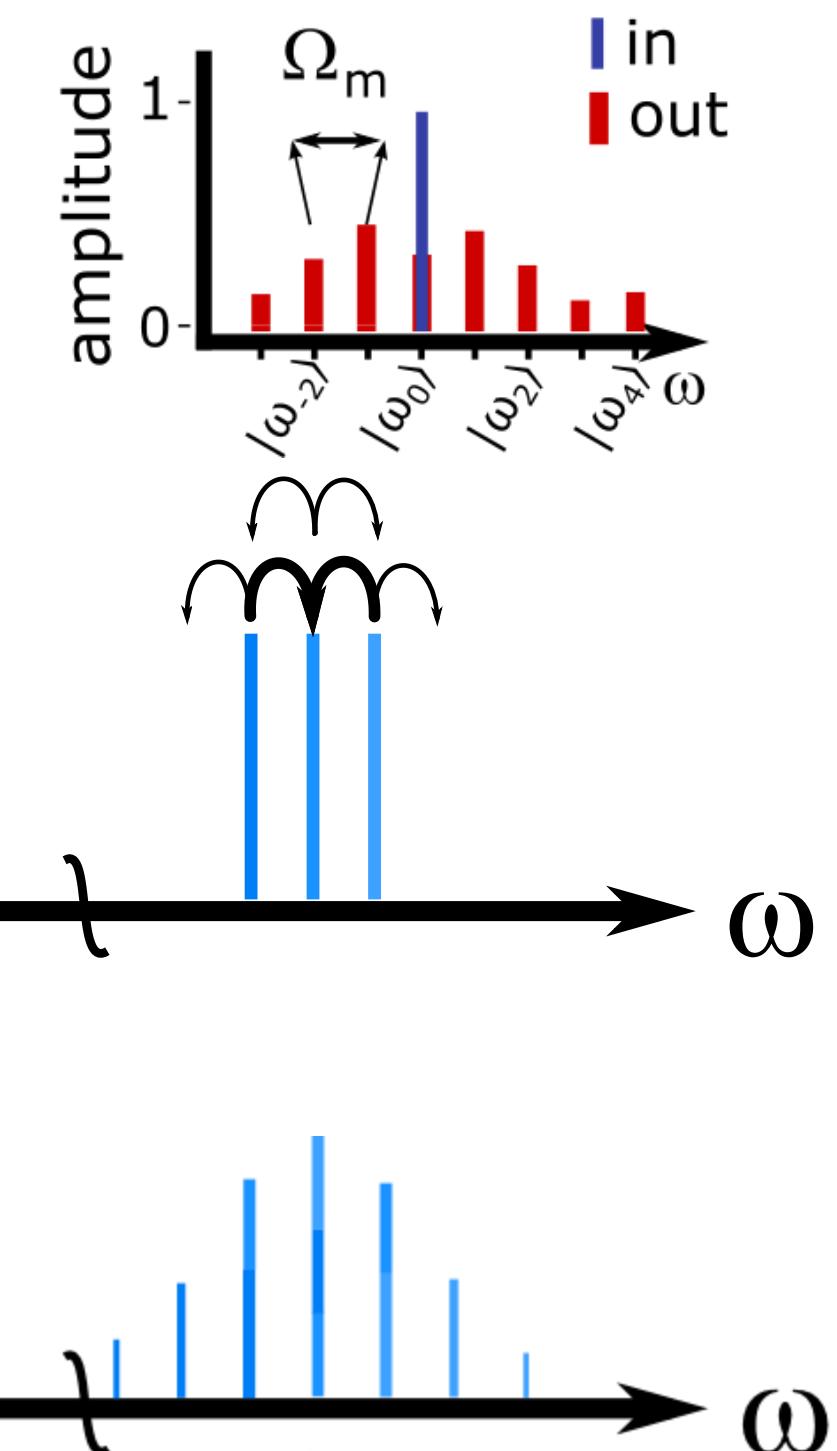
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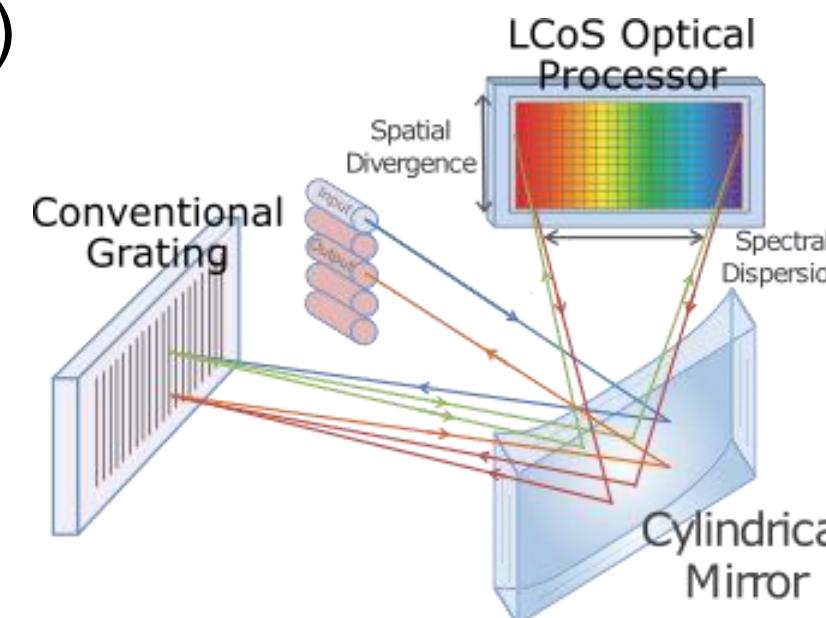


Electro-Optics phase modulators
superposition of frequencies



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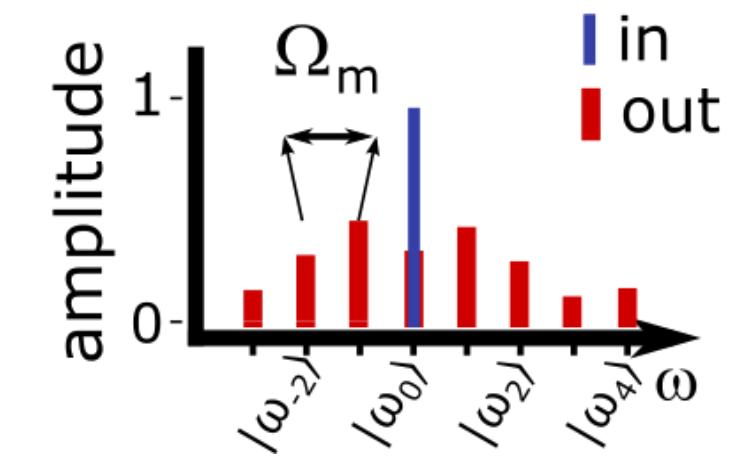
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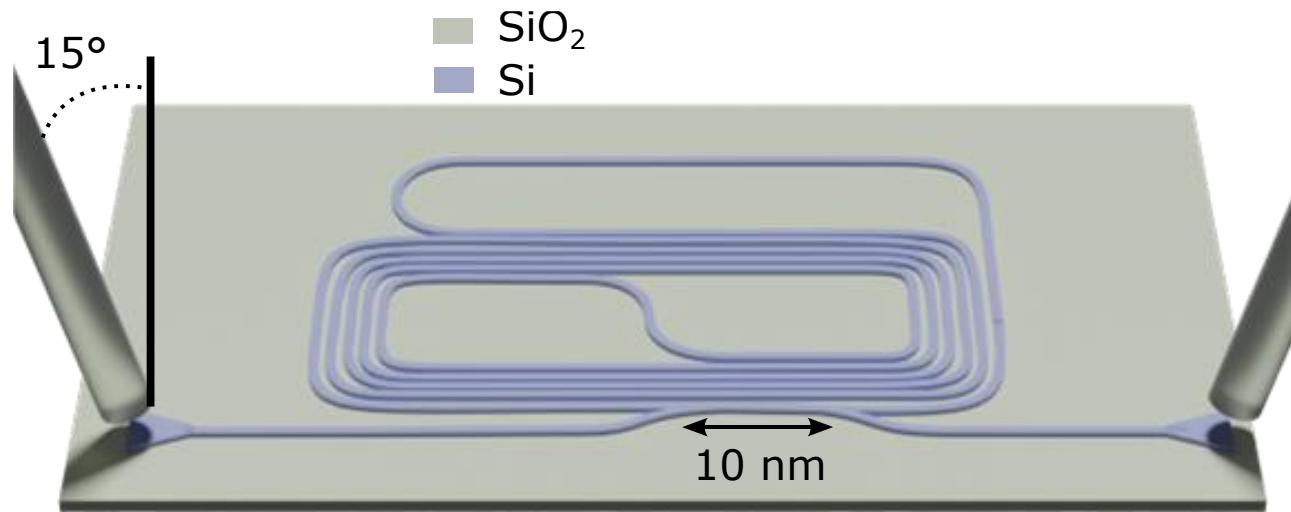


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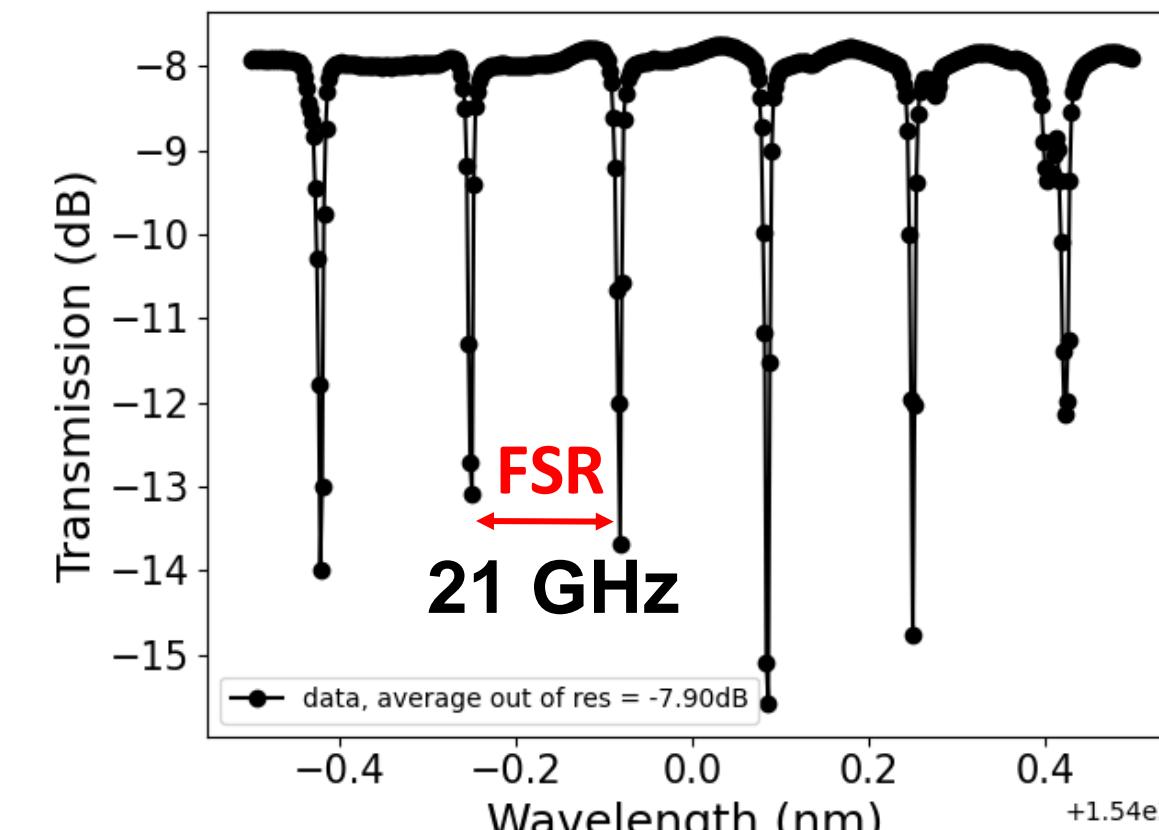


Limitations:

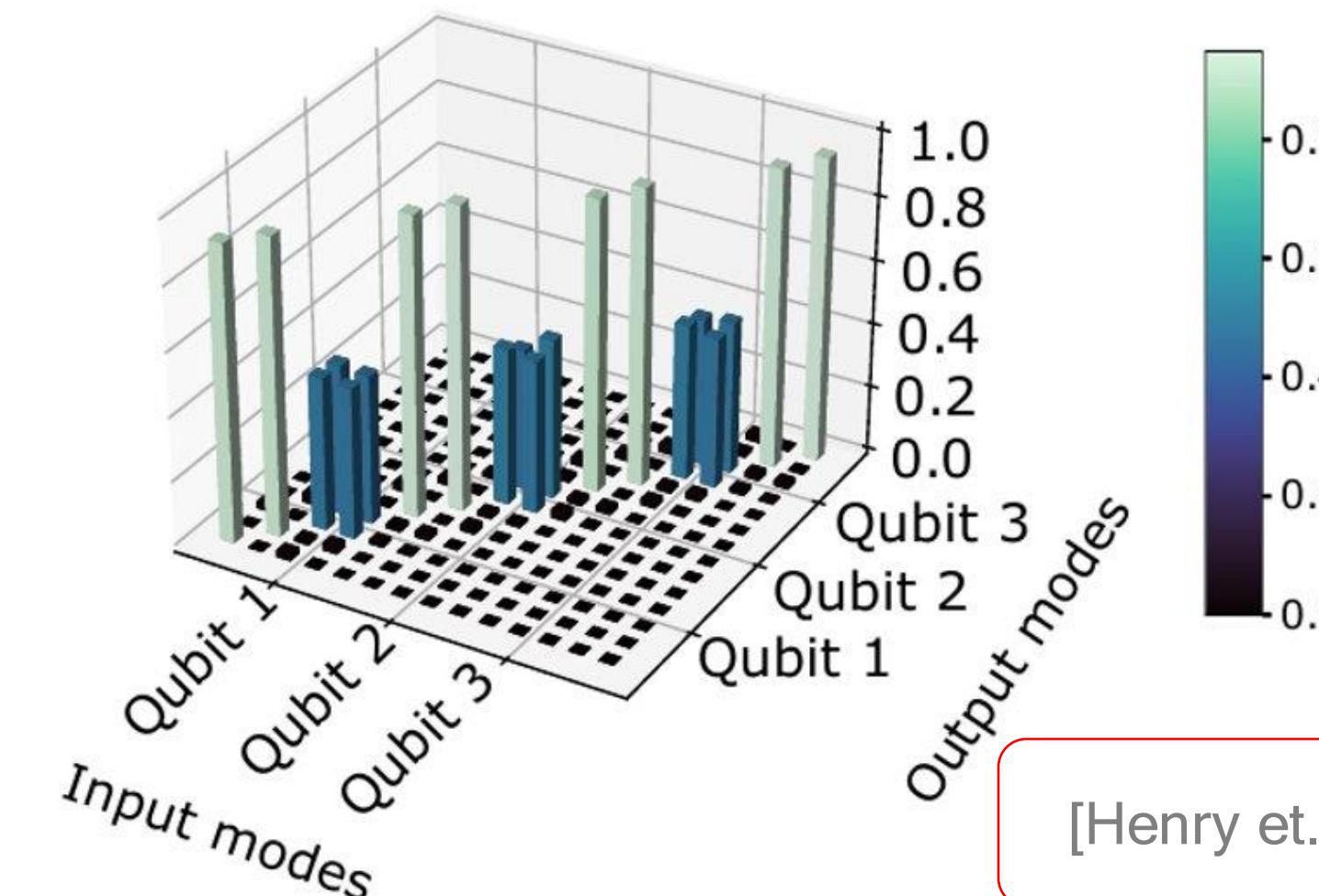
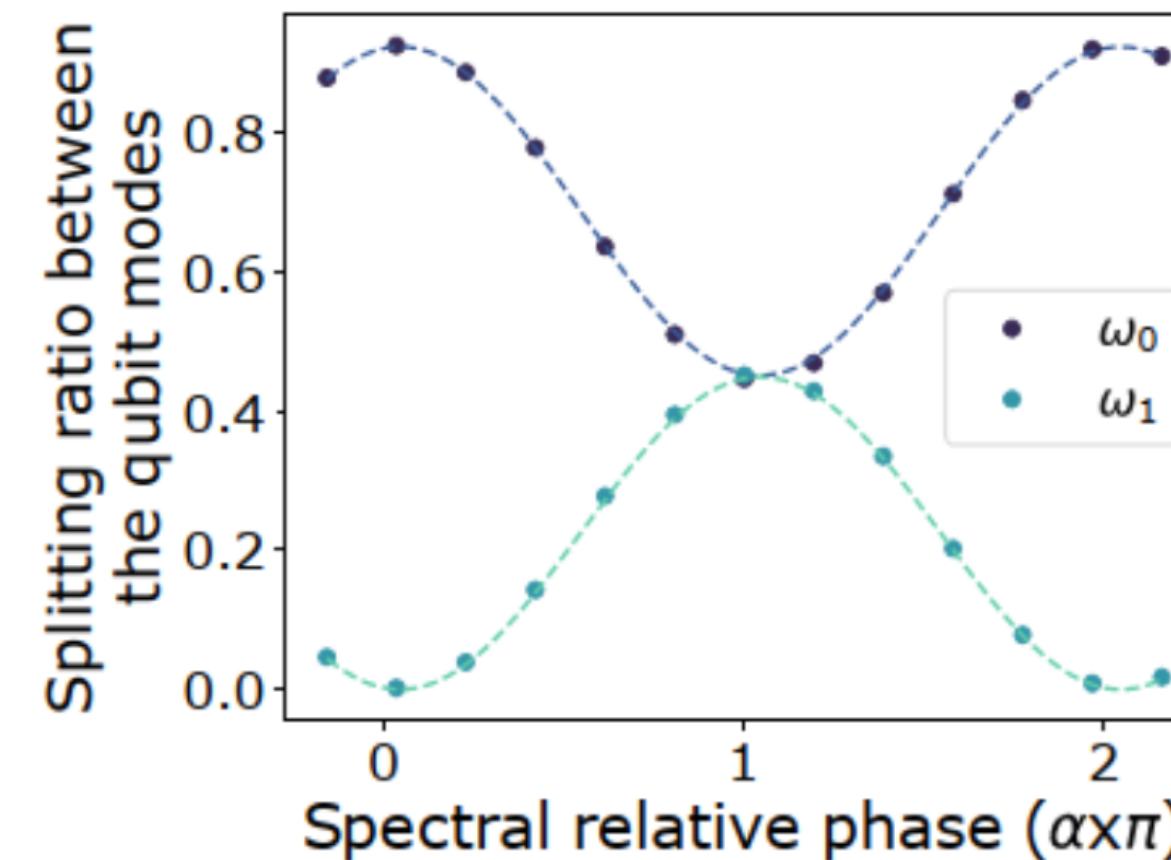
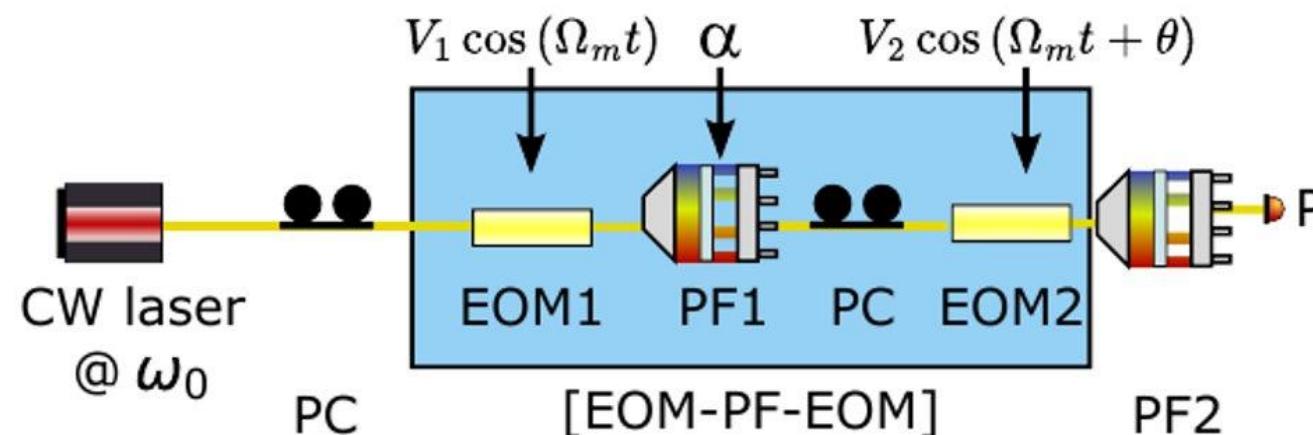
$$\delta f > 10 \text{ GHz}$$



$$\Omega_m < 33 \text{ GHz}$$



► Manipulating Frequency bins with telecom devices: Tunable Rotation for independent Qubits



[Henry et. al, arXiv:2305.0345]

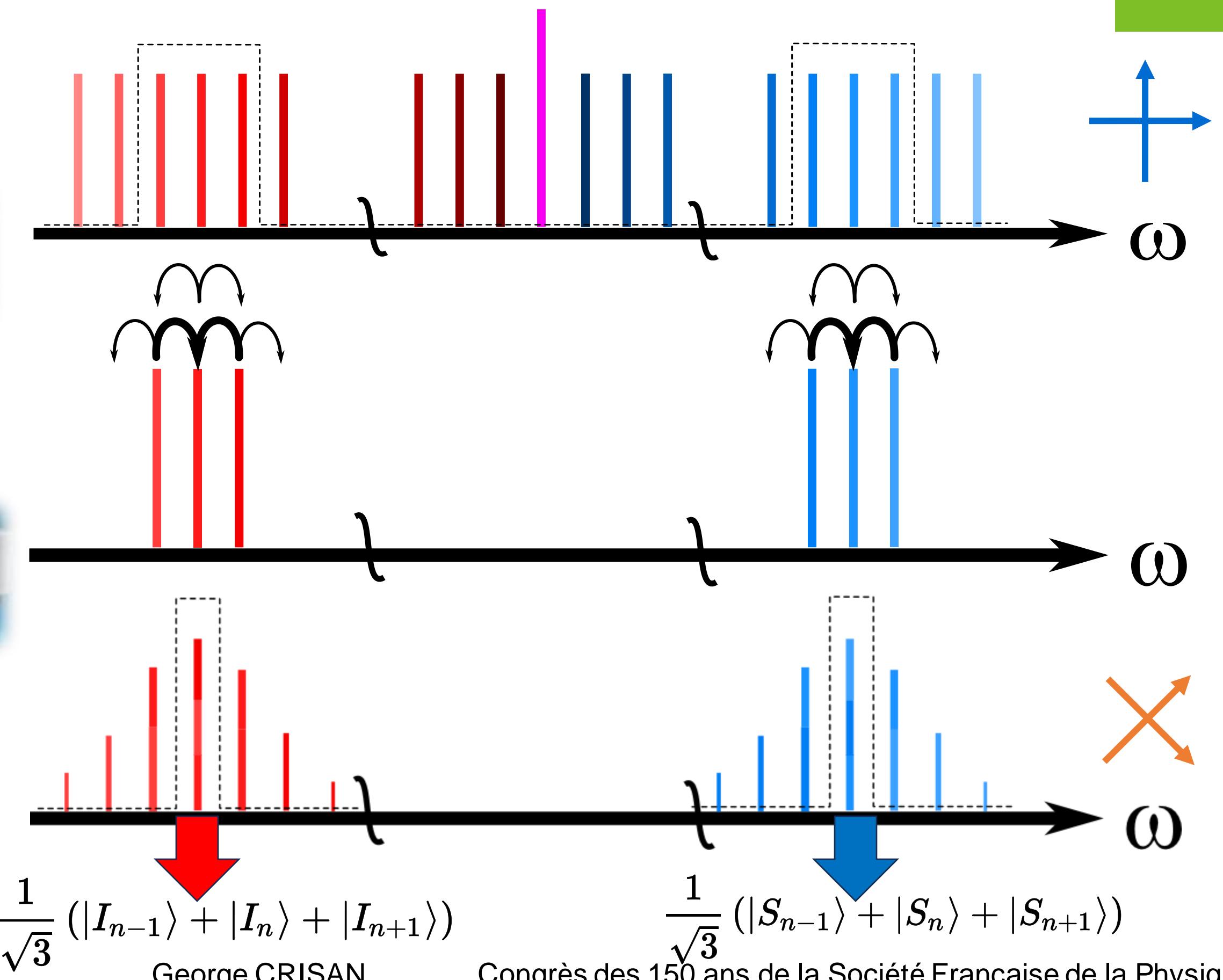
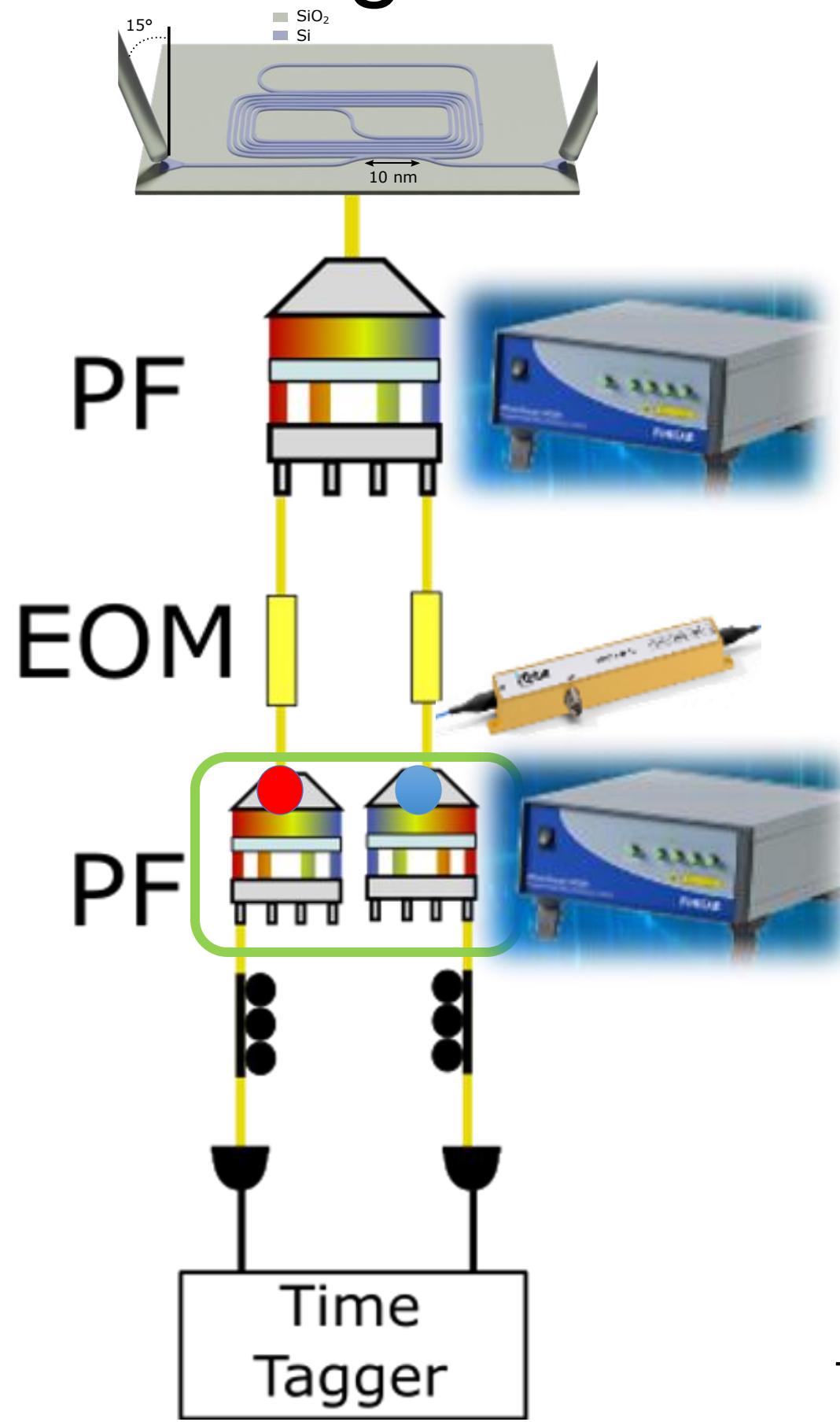
[Lukens et al. Vol. 4, Issue 1(2017)]

[Lu et. al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 125, 120503]

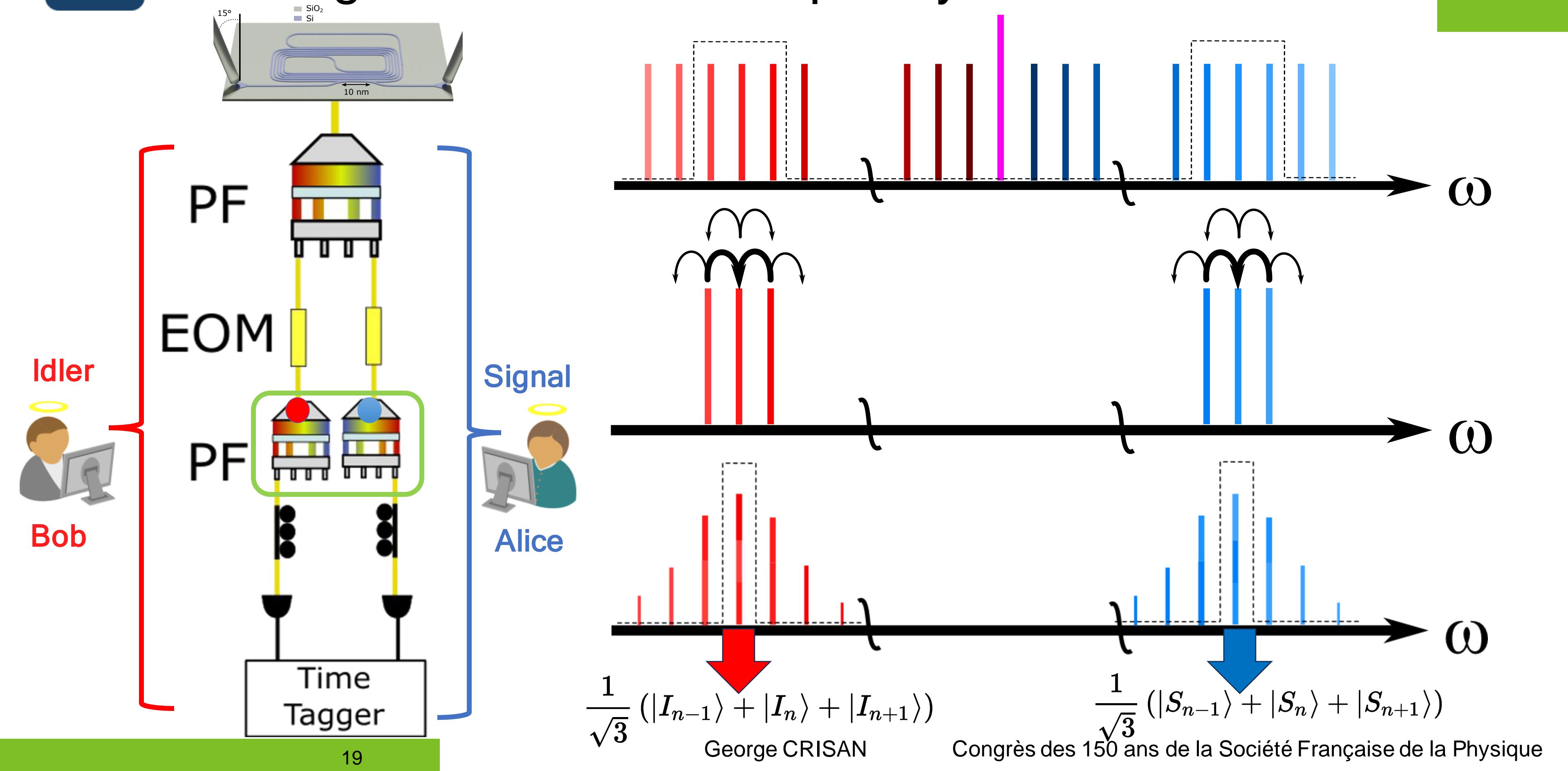


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► Change of base in the frequency domain

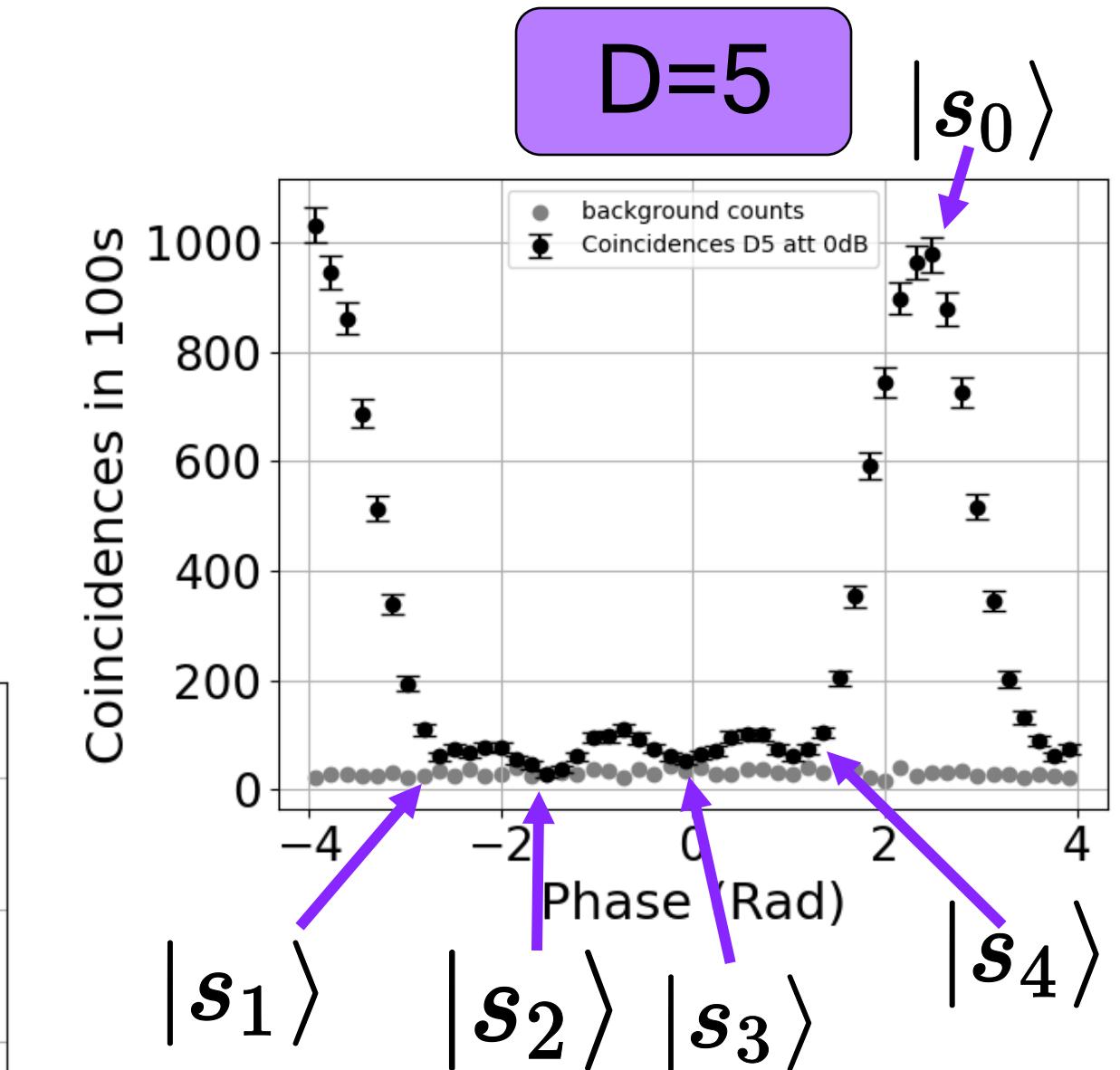
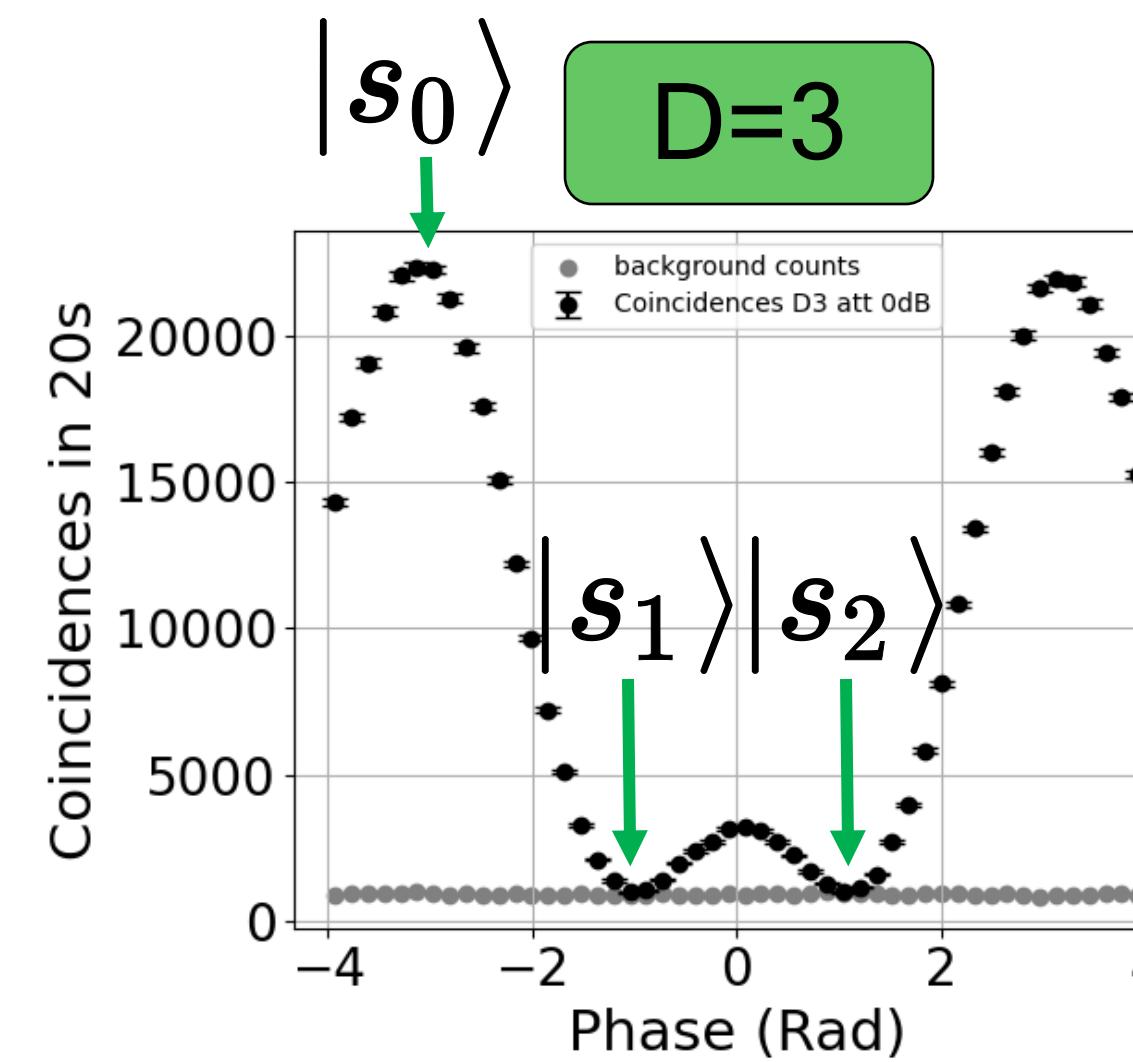
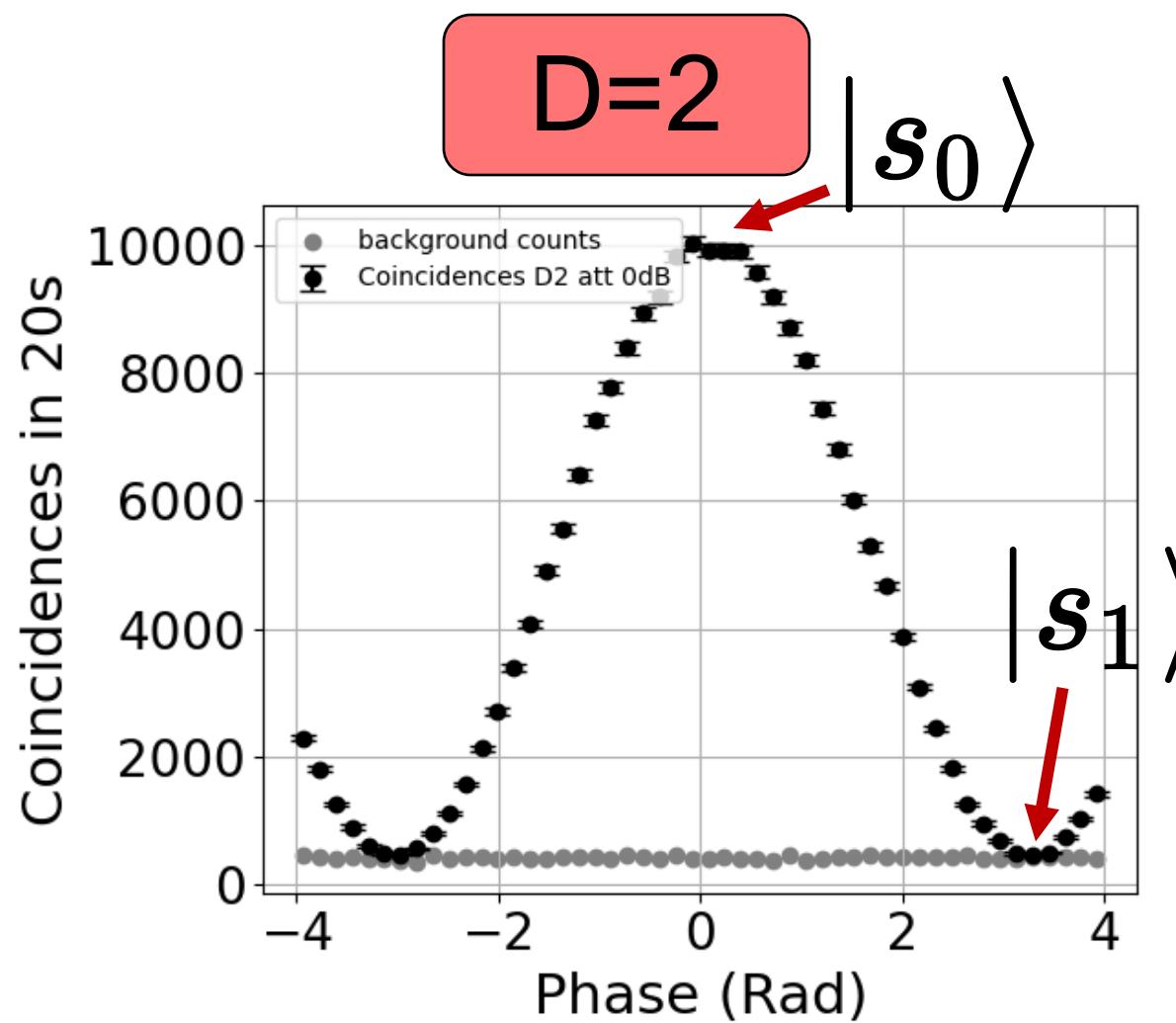


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► Scan the states in the Superposition basis: quDits interferences

$$|\Psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{D}} (|I_{\omega_0}, S_{\omega_0}\rangle + e^{\phi i\pi} |I_{\omega_1}, S_{\omega_1}\rangle + e^{2\phi i\pi} |I_{\omega_2}, S_{\omega_2}\rangle + \dots)$$



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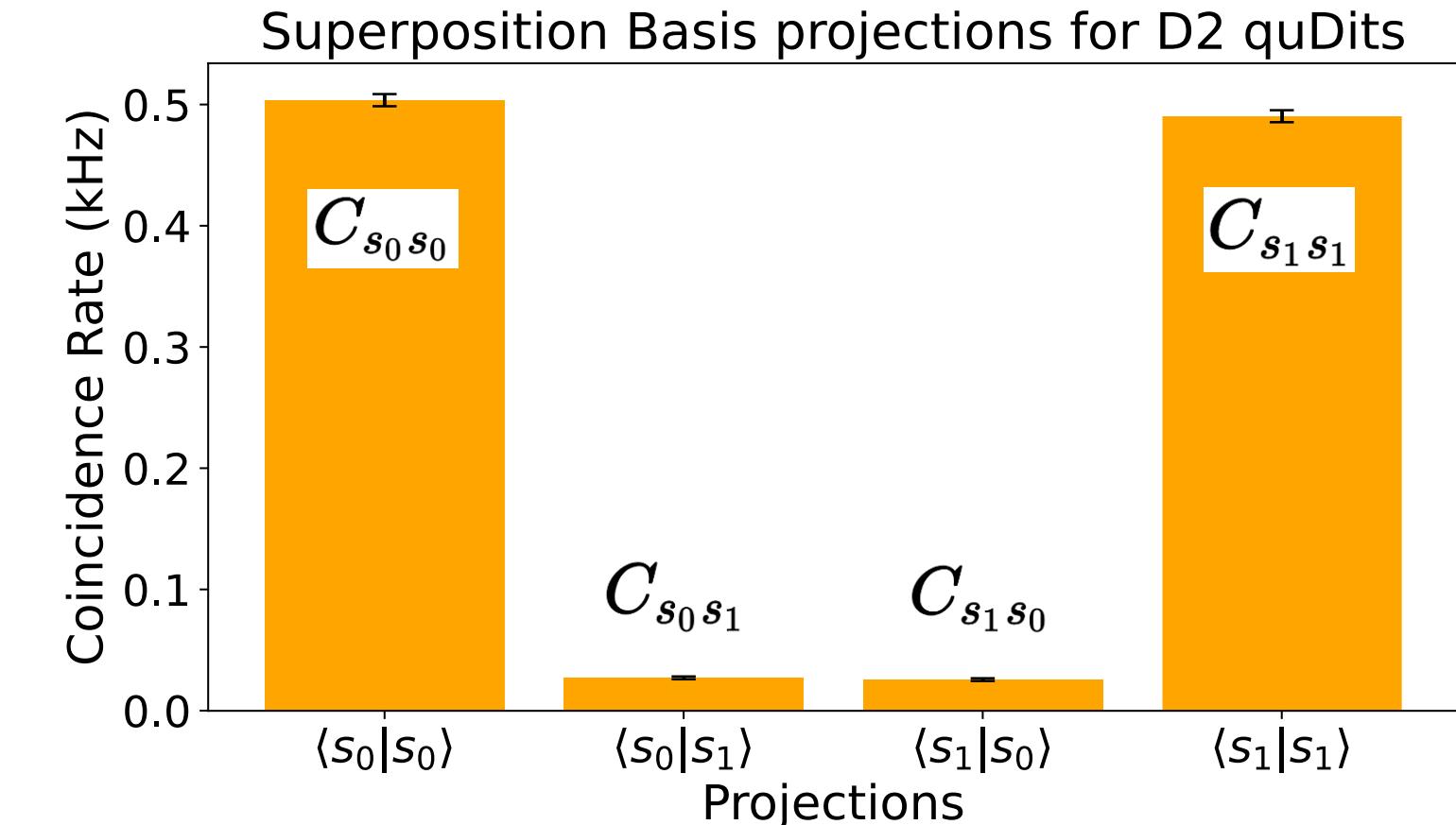
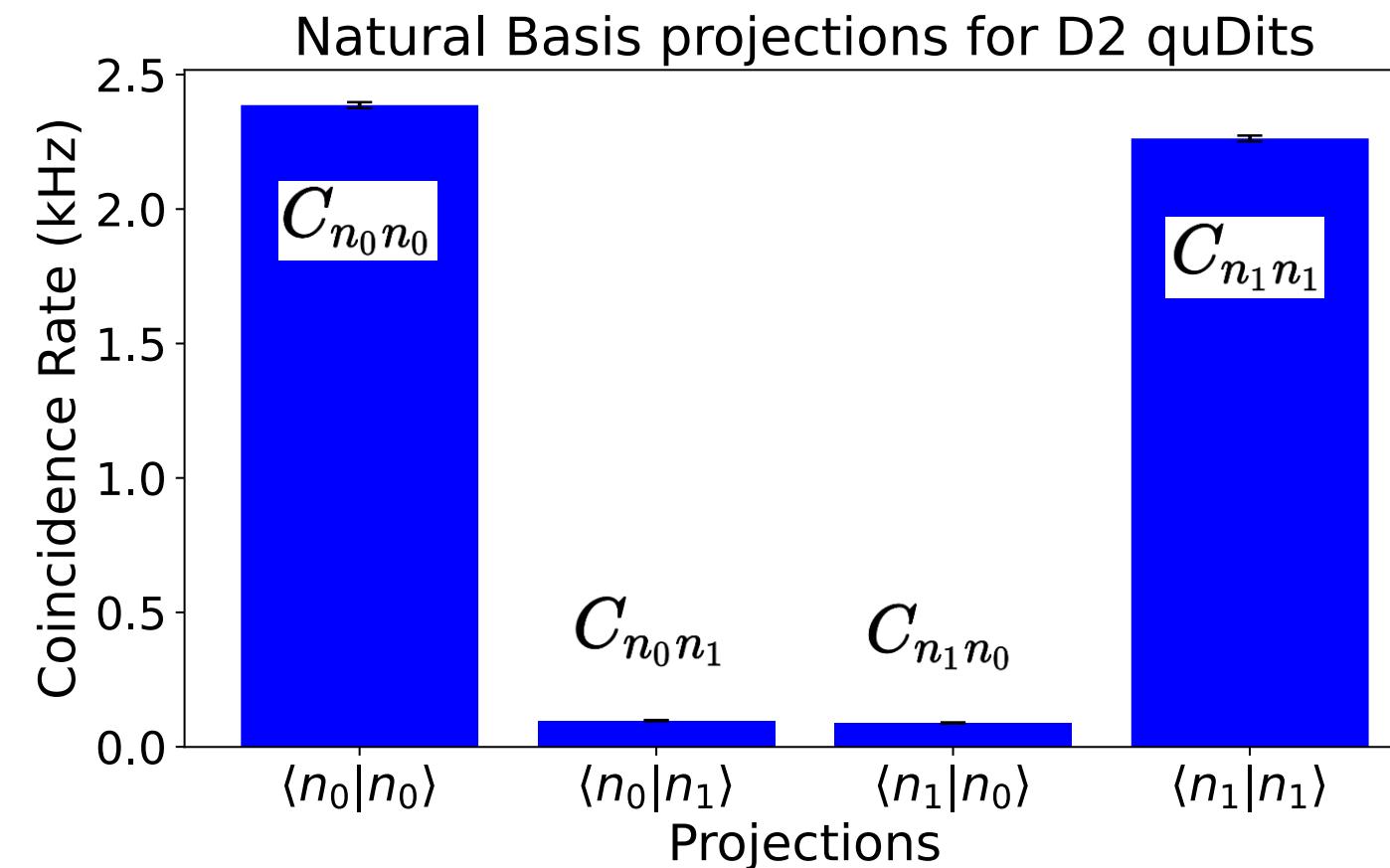
► Quantum Key Distribution performances quDit D=2

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$$C_{S,pol}^{\text{raw}} = C_{DD} + C_{DA} + C_{AD} + C_{AA}$$

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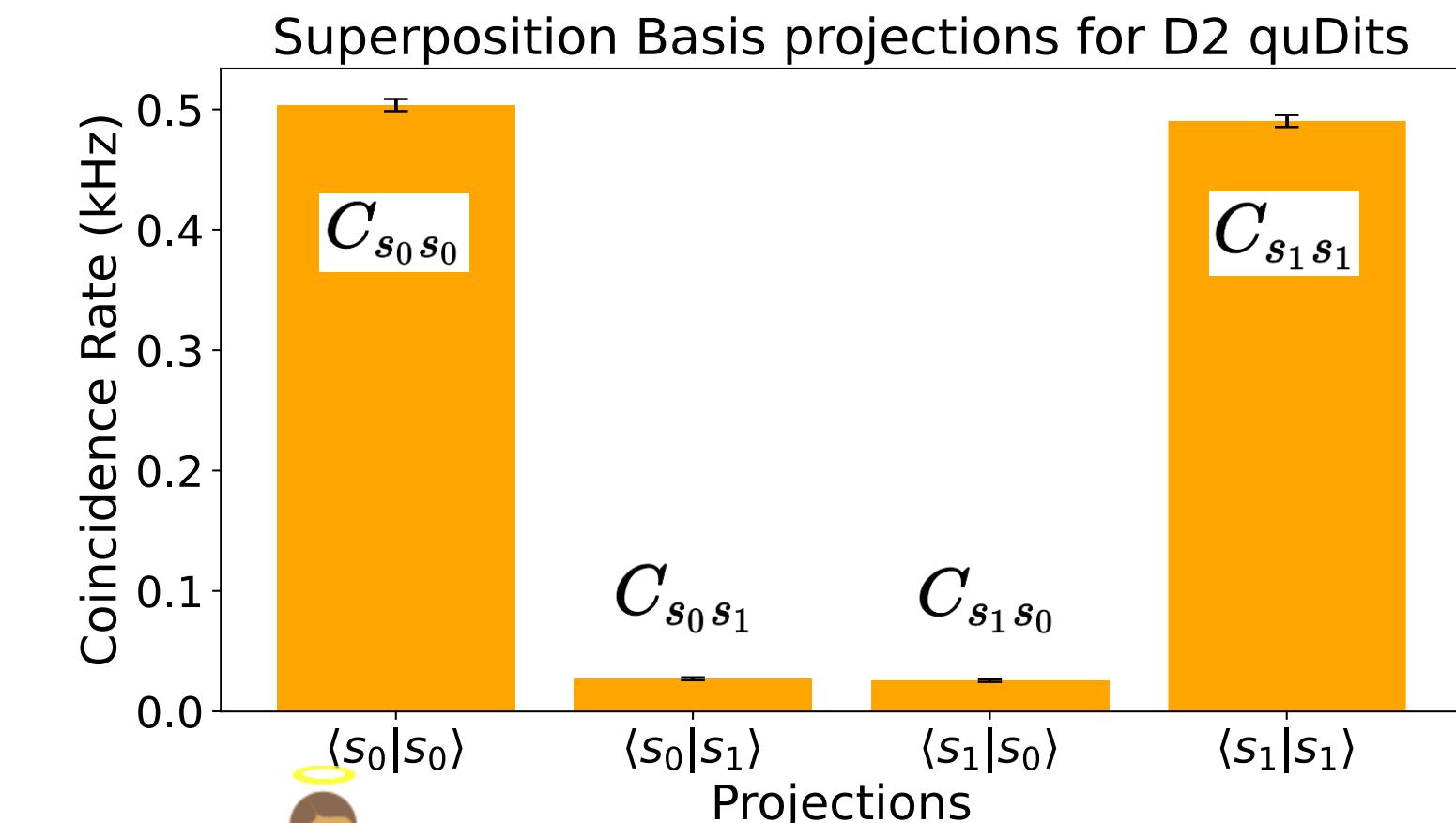
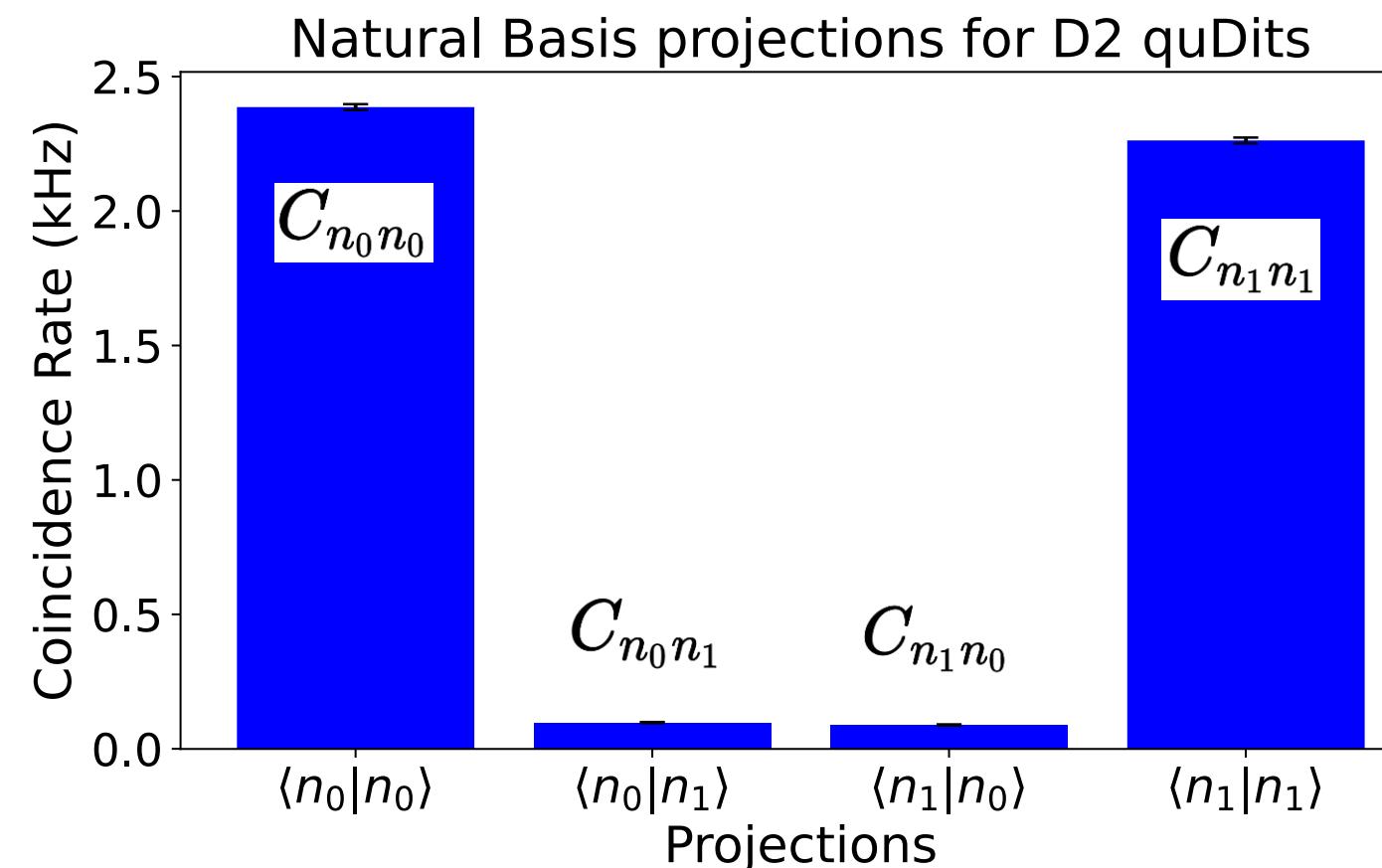
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$$QBER = \frac{C_{n_1n_0} + C_{n_0n_1} + C_{s_0s_1} + C_{s_1s_0}}{C_N^{\text{raw}} + C_S^{\text{raw}}} = \frac{C_{\text{accidentals}}}{C_{\text{Total}}}$$

6%
600 Hz

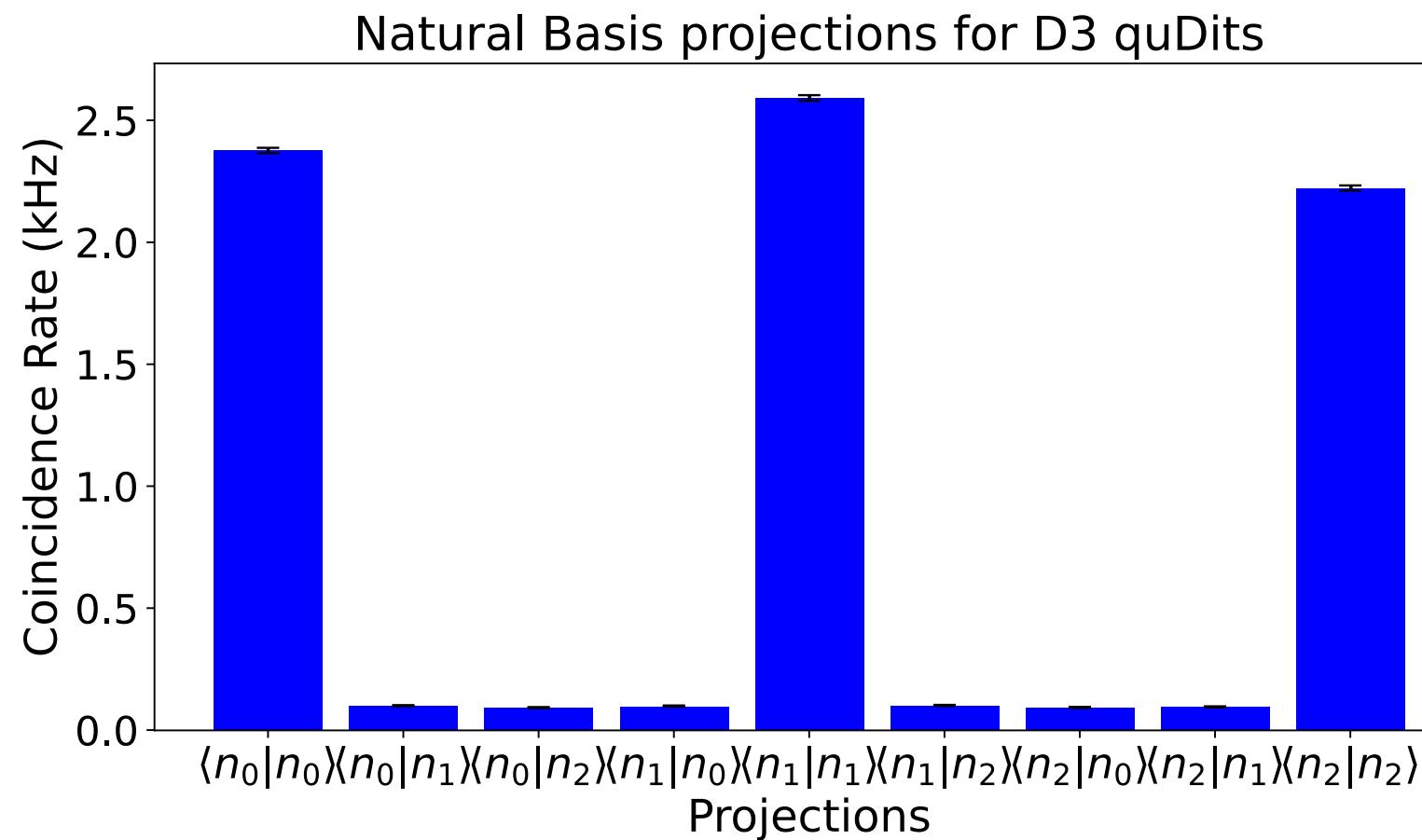
$$R_{\text{raw}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{C_N^{\text{raw}} + C_S^{\text{raw}}}{\tau_{\text{integration time}}}$$



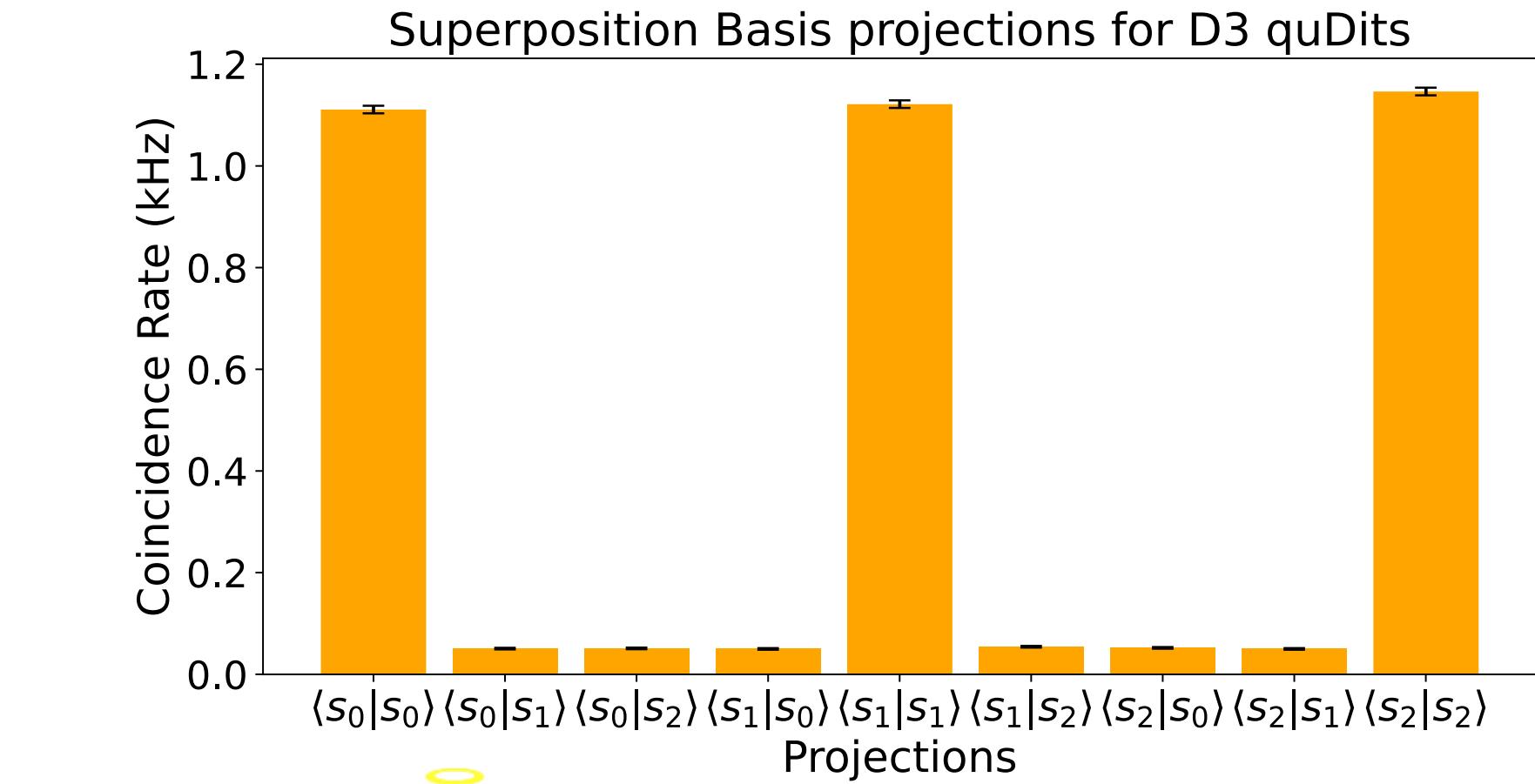
► Quantum Key Distribution performances quDit D=3

C_N^{raw} = total coincidences in N basis

C_S^{raw} = total coincidences in S basis



$$QBER = \frac{C_{\text{accidentals}}}{C_{\text{Total}}} \quad 10\%$$



2 KHz

$$R_{\text{raw}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{C_N^{\text{raw}} + C_S^{\text{raw}}}{\tau_{\text{integration time}}}$$

► Quantum Key Distribution performances estimation

Secret Key Rate

$$SKR \geq \frac{1}{2} R_{\text{raw}} \times [\log_2(d) - H_d(e) - f_d(e)H(e)]$$

$$R_{\text{raw}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{C_N^{\text{raw}} + C_S^{\text{raw}}}{\tau_{\text{integration time}}}$$

$$e = QBER = \frac{C_{\text{accidentals}}}{C_{\mathbb{Z}}^{(\text{raw})} + C_{\mathbb{X}}^{(\text{raw})}}$$

Binary Entropy Function

$$H(e) = -e \log_2\left(\frac{e}{d-1}\right) - (1-e) \log_2(1-e)$$

Post Processing efficiency $f_d(e) = 1.2$

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Dimension

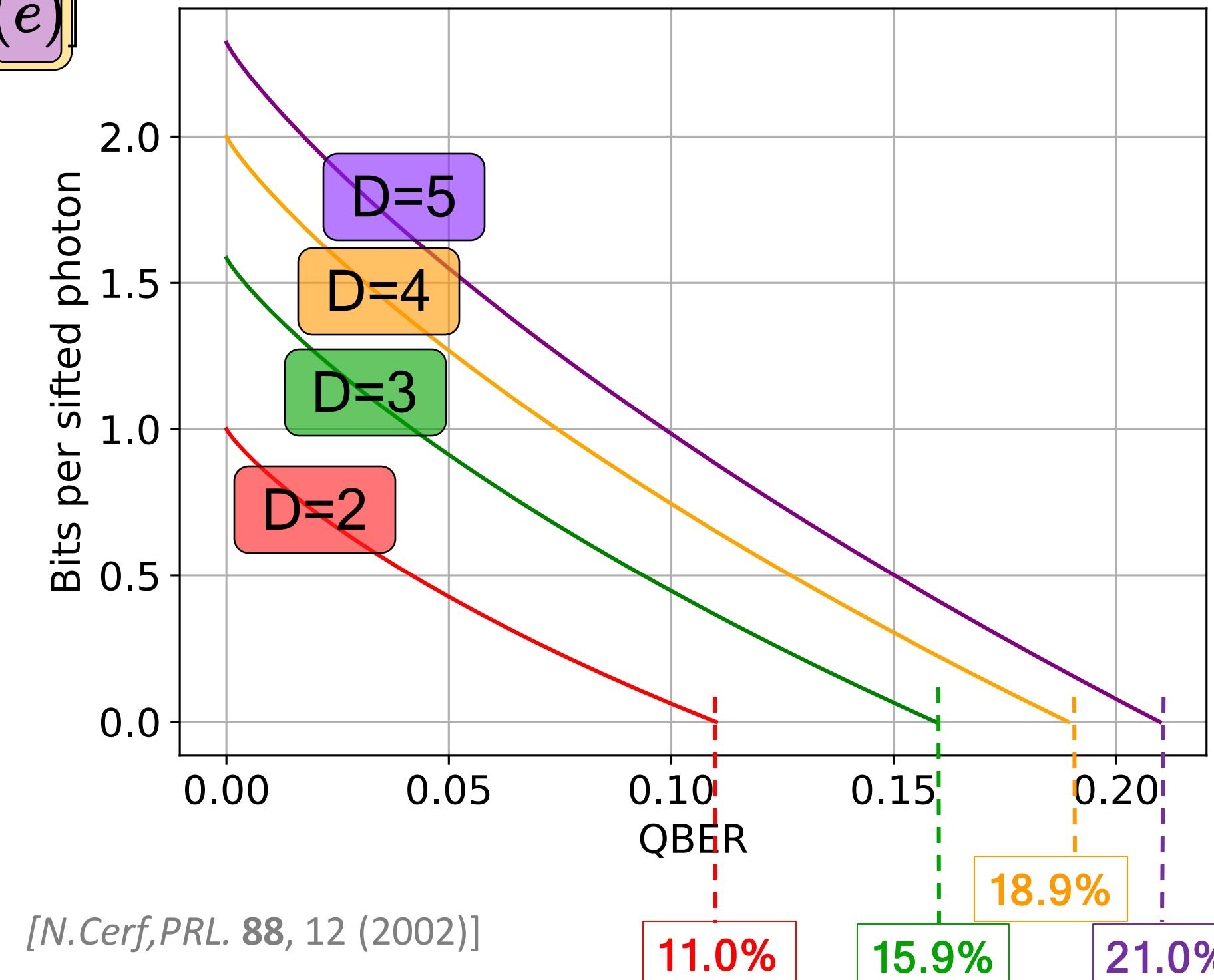
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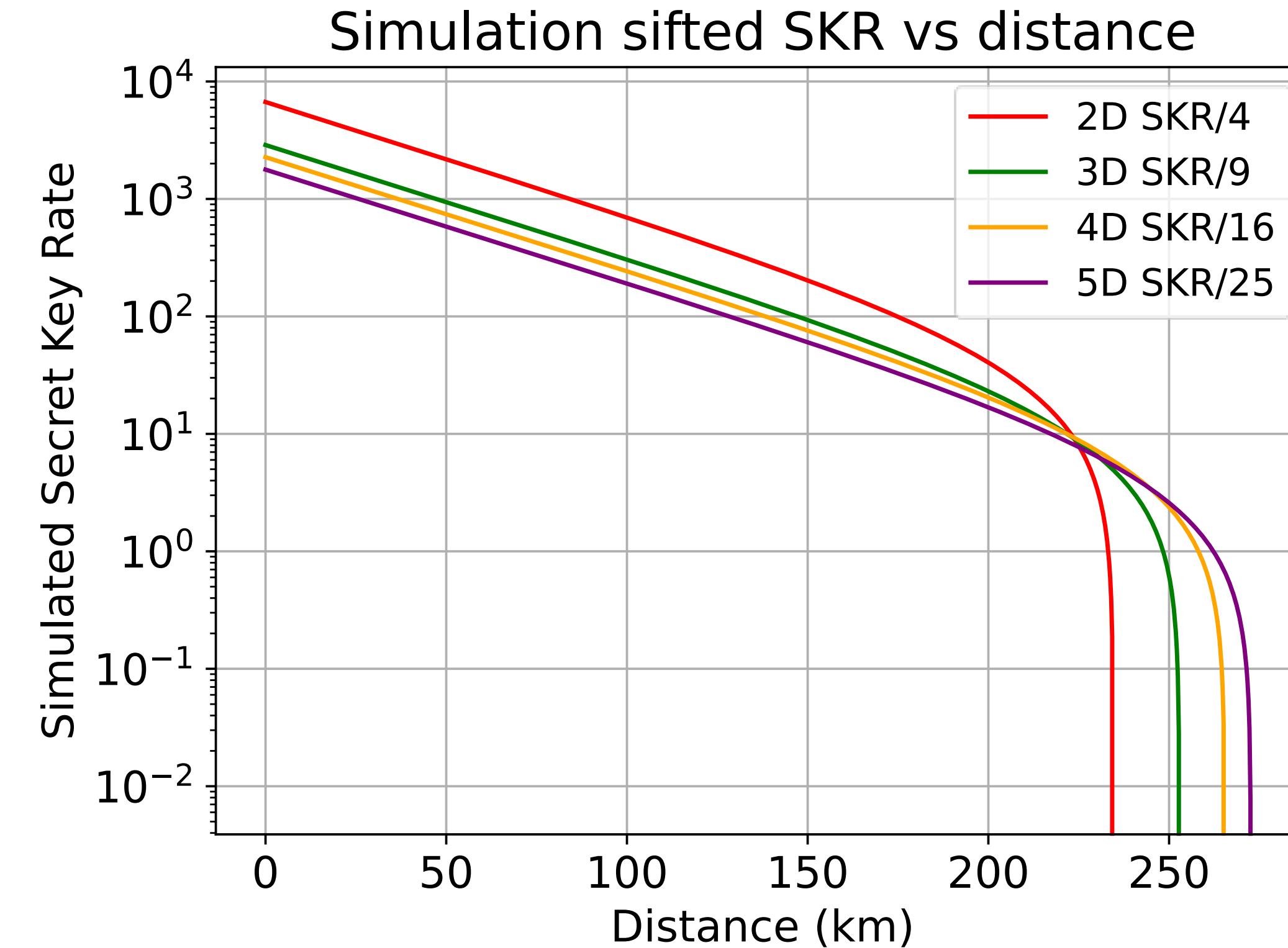
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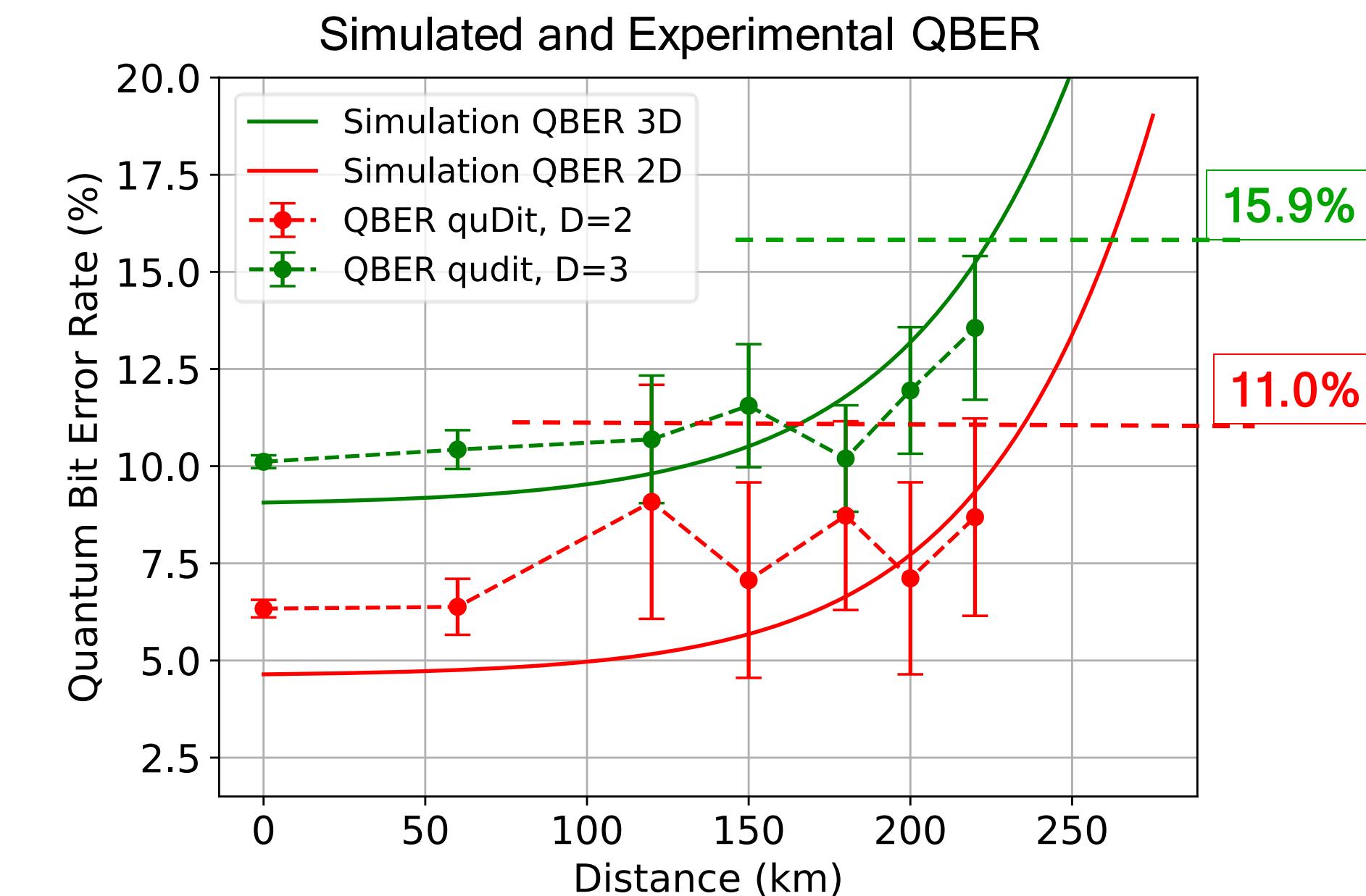
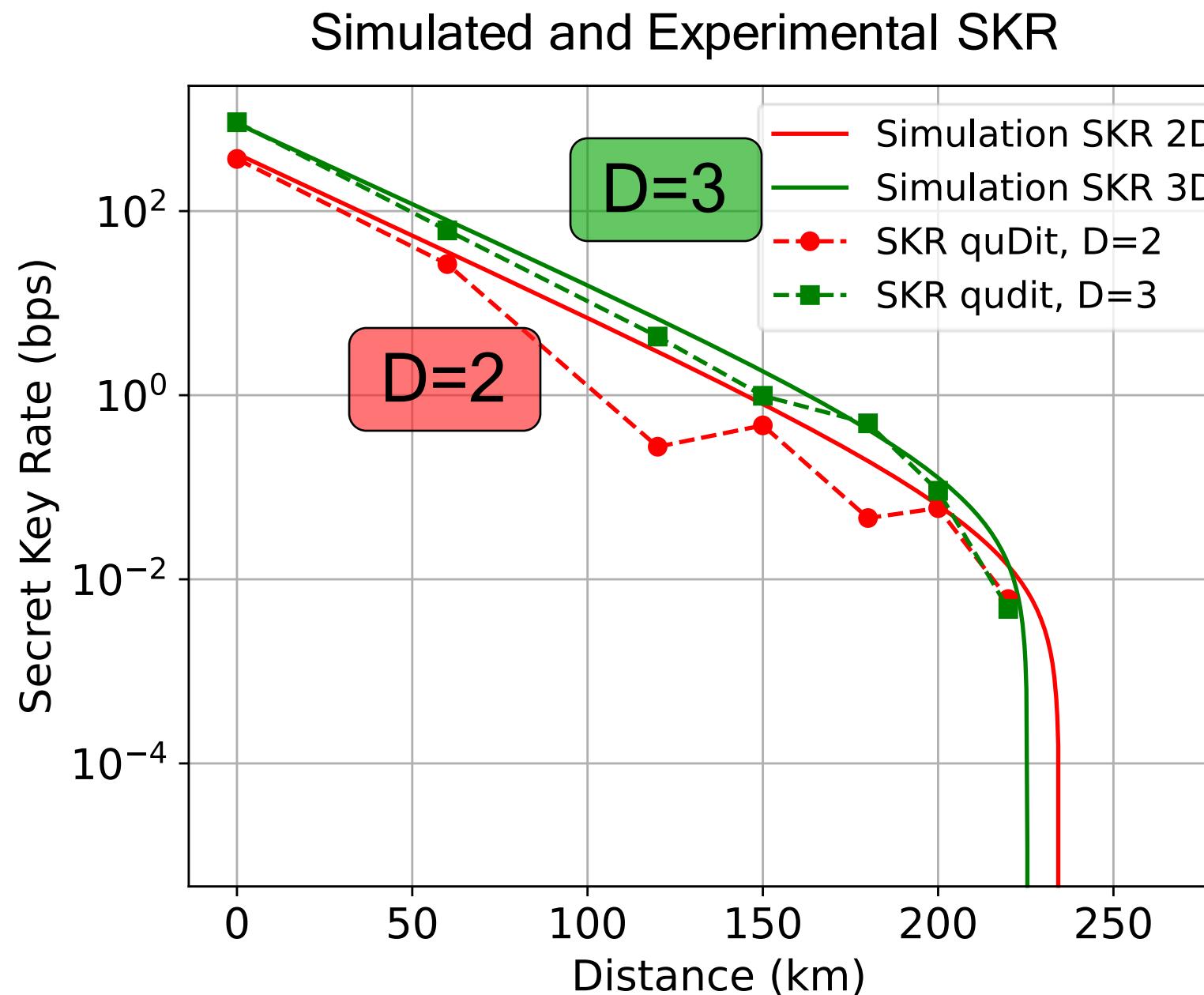
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► Secret Key Rate Vs quDit dimension: Theory



► Experimental SKR and QBER: Qubit vs Qutrit

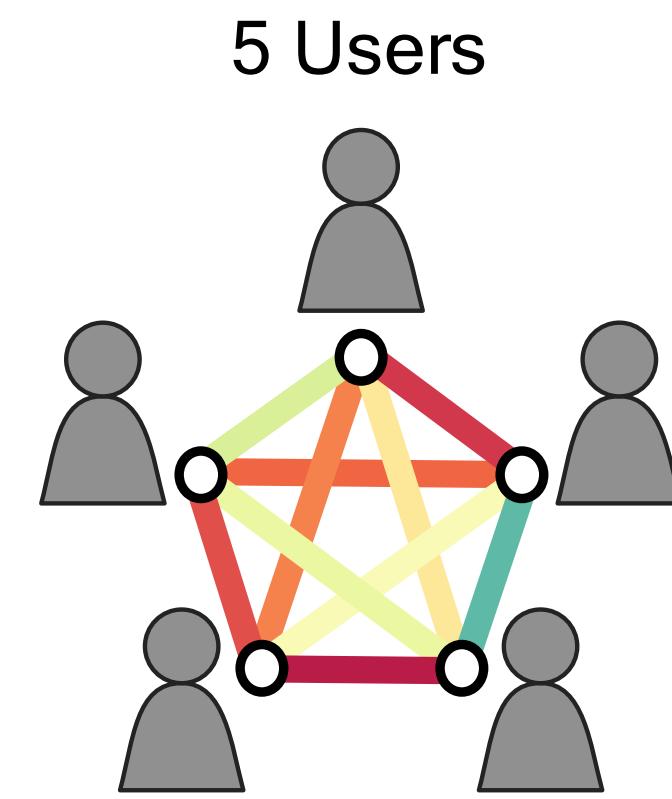
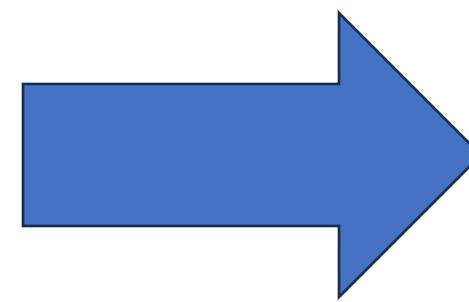
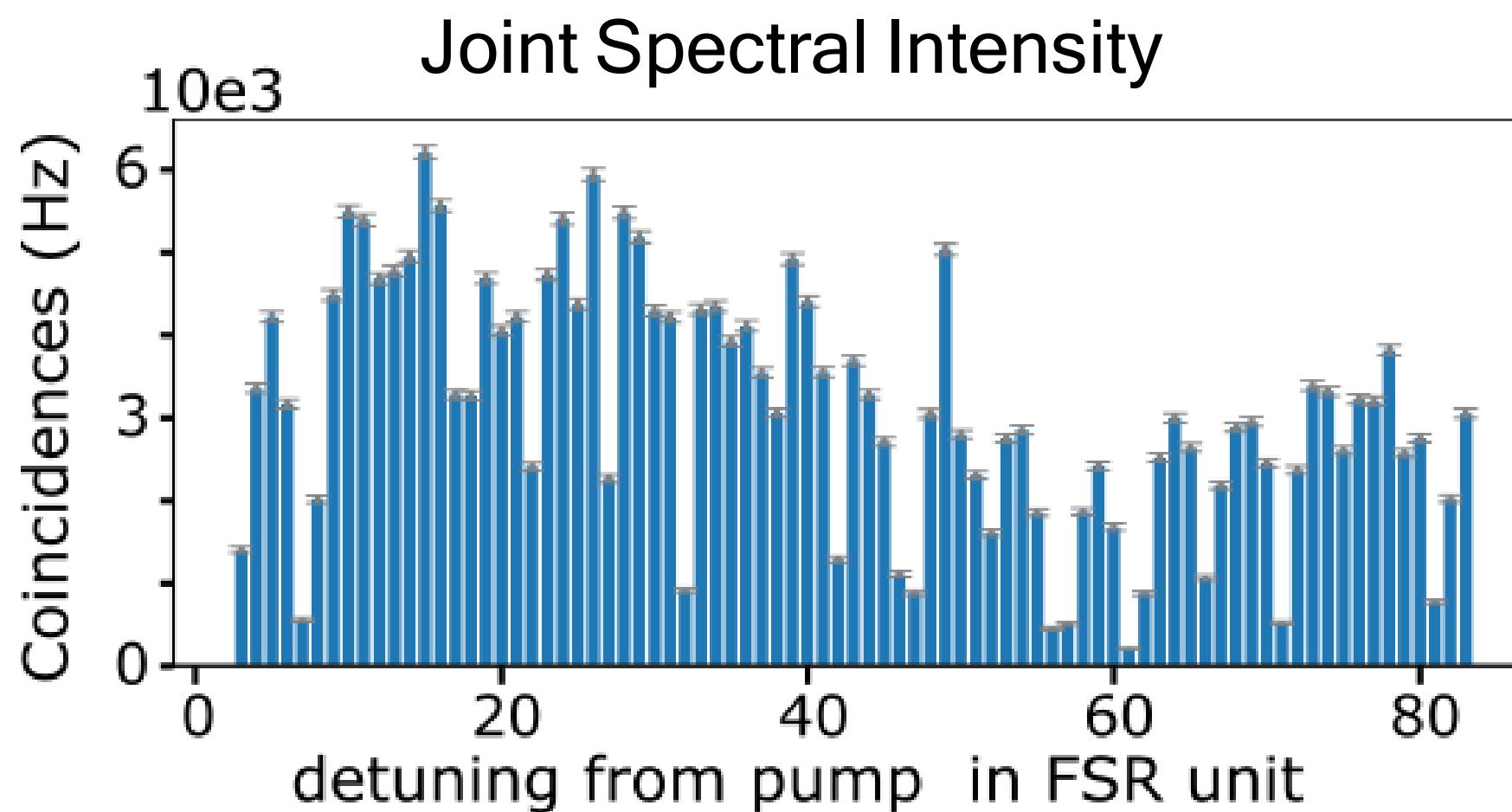


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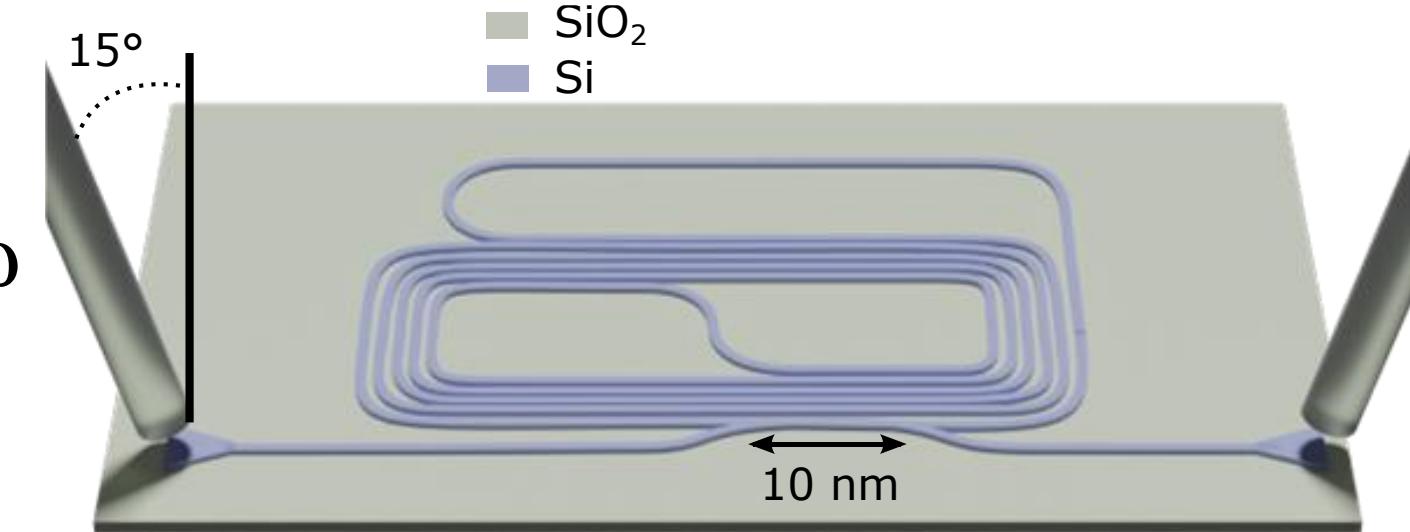
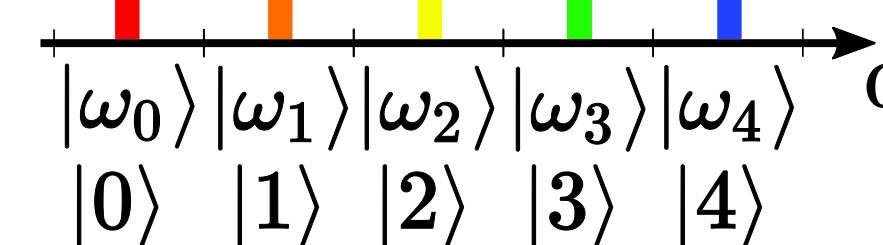
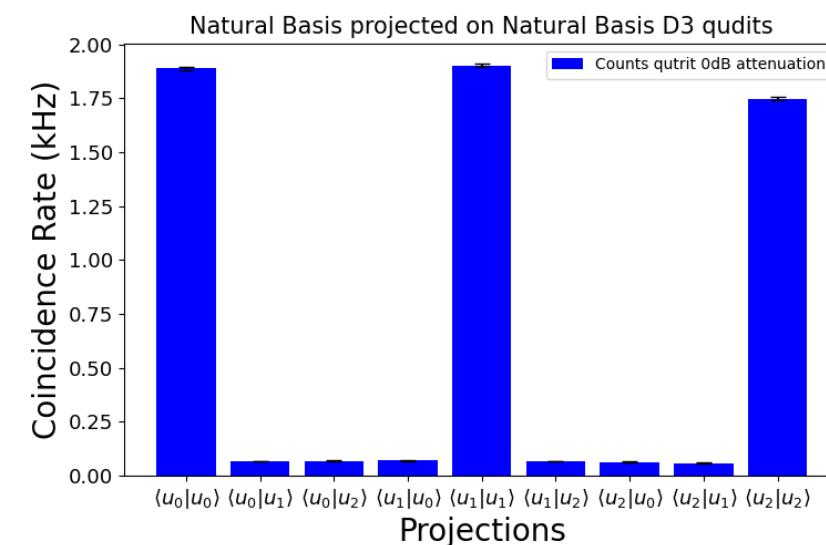
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► Perspectives: Demultiplexing Qudits for a Fully Connected HDQKD Network

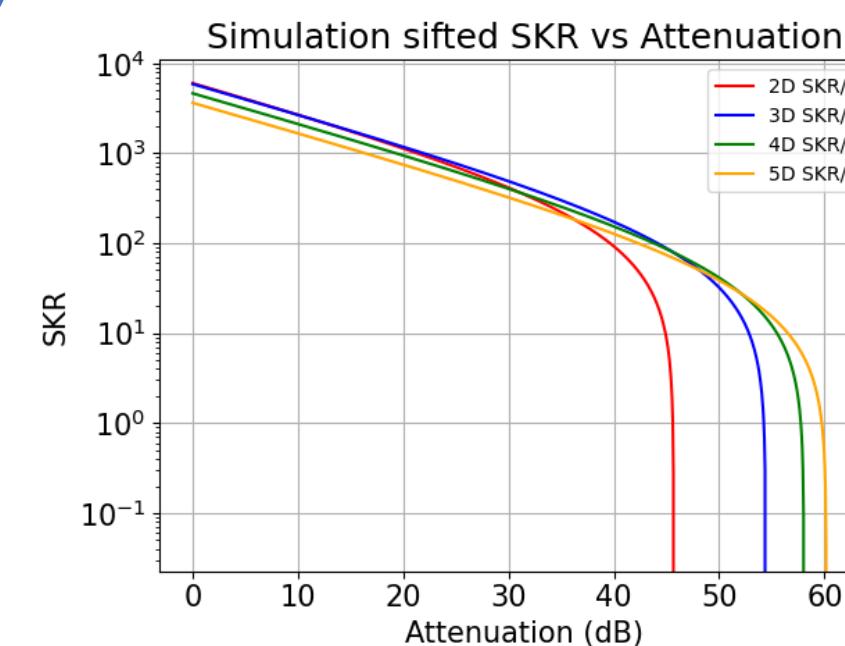
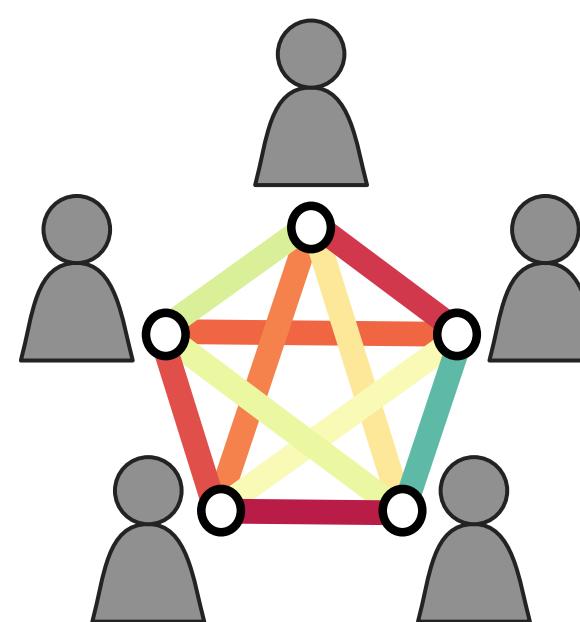


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► Conclusion



Entangled photonic quDits
encoded in 21GHz spaced frequency bins
generated on chip using a silicon micro resonator
for Quantum Communications with telecom devices



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