

Generating and teleporting entanglement for quantum networks

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SIQUID
Slovenian Quantum Communications Infrastructure Demonstration

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Motivation

► SiQUID

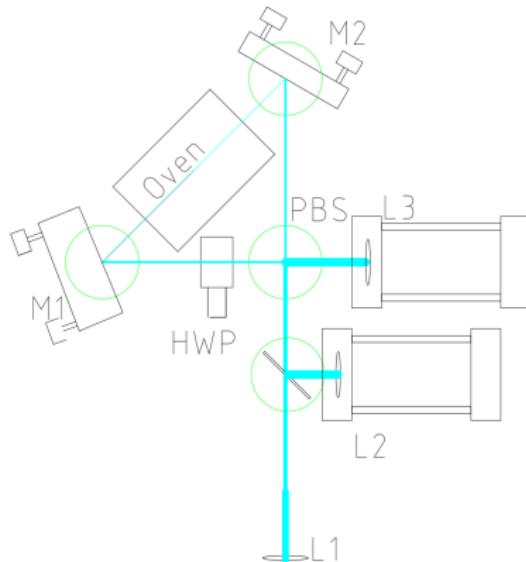
0. Proof of concept
 1. Entanglement distribution
 2. Quantum Key Distribution (QKD)
 3. Training in Quantum Technologies
 4. Testbed for industrialized version



Example of Slovenian Quantum Network.

Motivation

- ▶ SiQUID
 - 0. Proof of concept
 - 1. Entanglement distribution
 - 2. Quantum Key Distribution (QKD)
 - 3. Training in quantum technologies in Slovenia
 - 4. Testbed for industrialized version
 - ▶ Bright source of entanglement
 - ▶ Why Sagnac?



An example of a Sagnac Interferometer.

SPDC

Spontaneous Parametric Downconversion (SPDC)

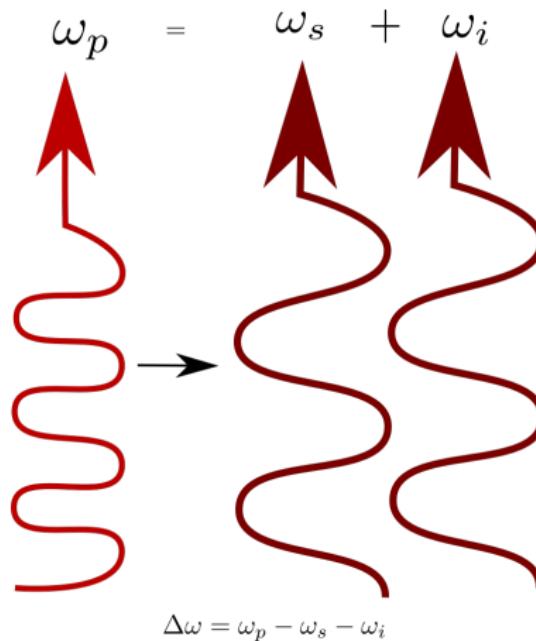


Illustration of SPDC

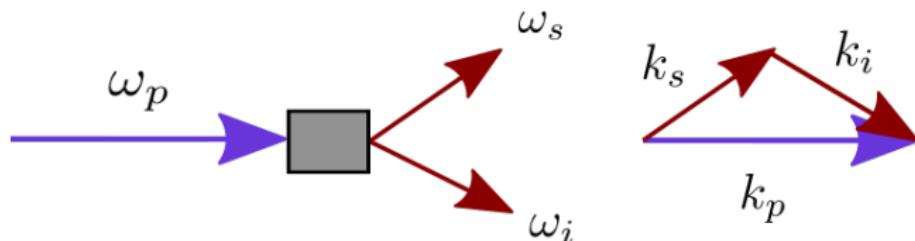
- Degenerate $\omega_i = \omega_s$
- Non-degenerate $\omega_i \neq \omega_s$

Phase Matching

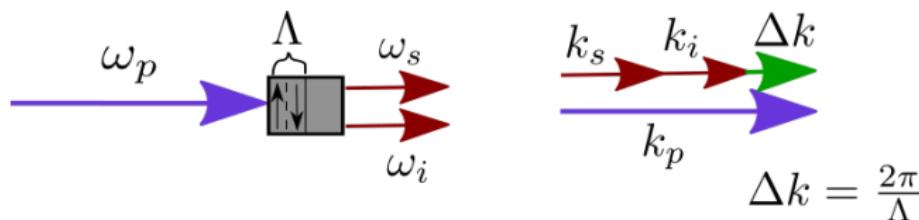
Birefringent Phase Matching, Quasi Phase Matching

What is Phase Matching?

Illustration of Birefringent Phase Matching $k_p - k_i - k_s = 0$ and



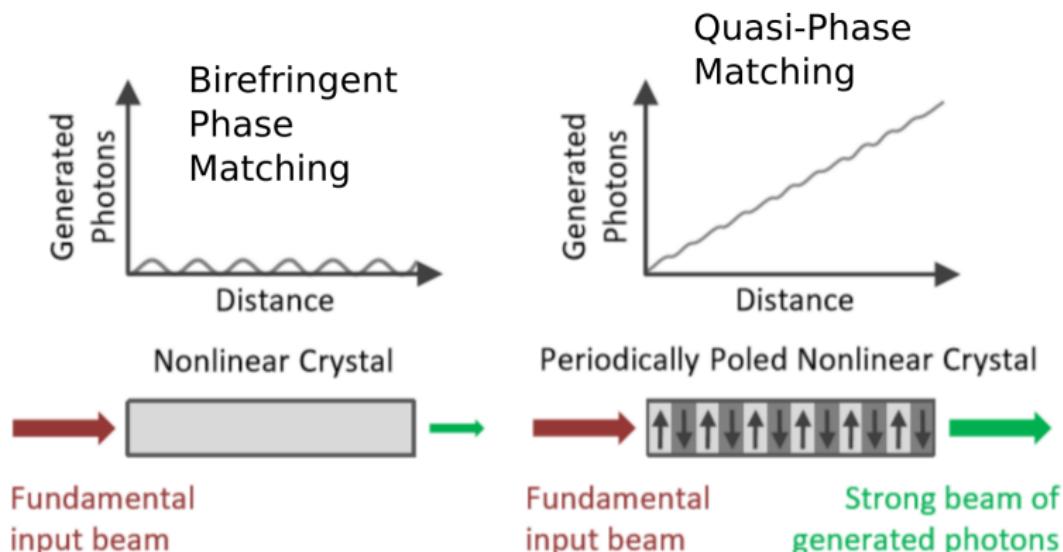
Quasi Phase Matching $k_p - k_i - k_s - \Delta k = 0$.



Phase Matching

Crystal Size

Difference in photon generation between a unpoled and poled crystal.
Source: Coversion.



Phase Matching

Types

- ▶ Type-0 : $o \rightarrow o + o$
or : $e \rightarrow e + e$
 - ▶ Type-I : $o \rightarrow e + e$
or : $e \rightarrow o + o$
 - ▶ Type-II : $e \rightarrow e + o$
or : $o \rightarrow e + o$

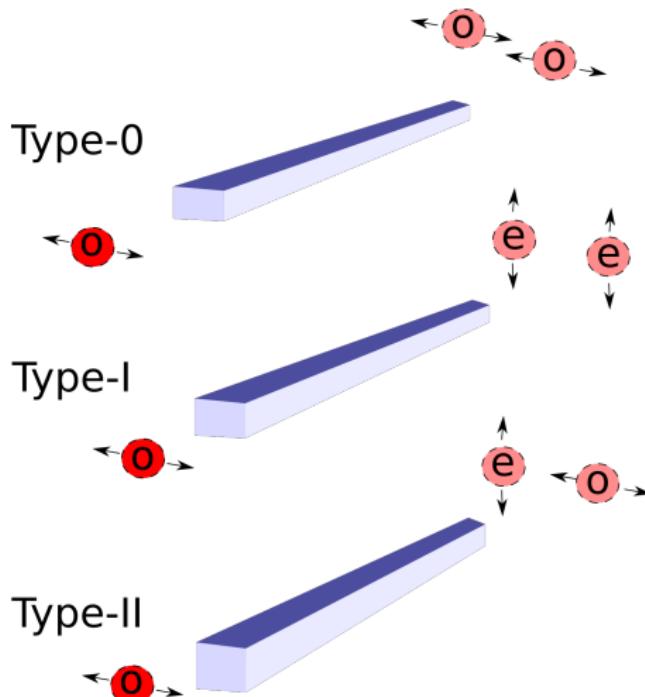
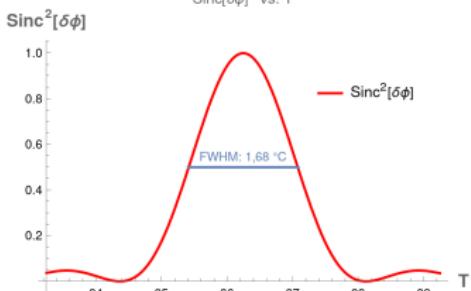
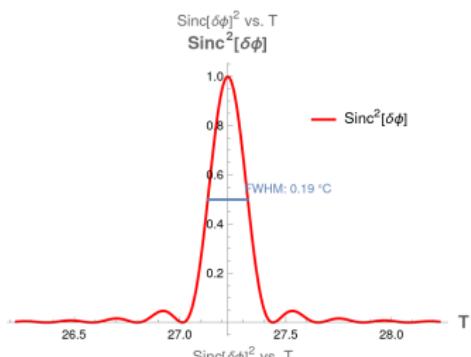


Illustration of different types of polarization conversions (Type-0).

Phase Matching

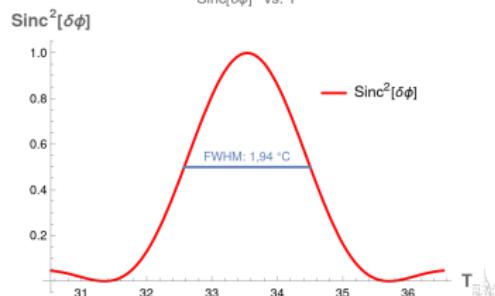
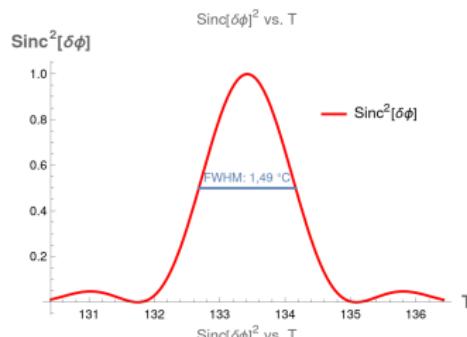
Phase Matching Temperature

Type-II, 9,12 μm poling period, $\delta\phi = \frac{L\Delta k}{2}$



19,45 μm ,

Type-0, 19,25 μm ,

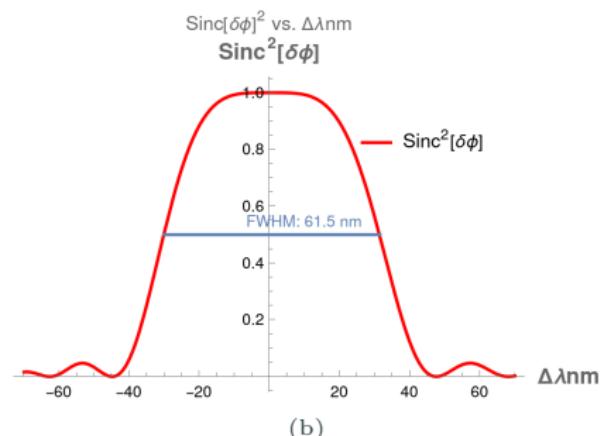
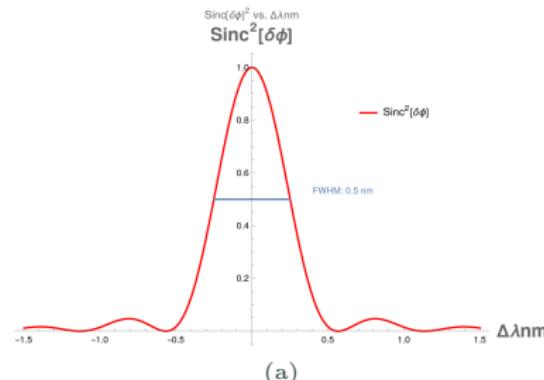


19,65 μm .

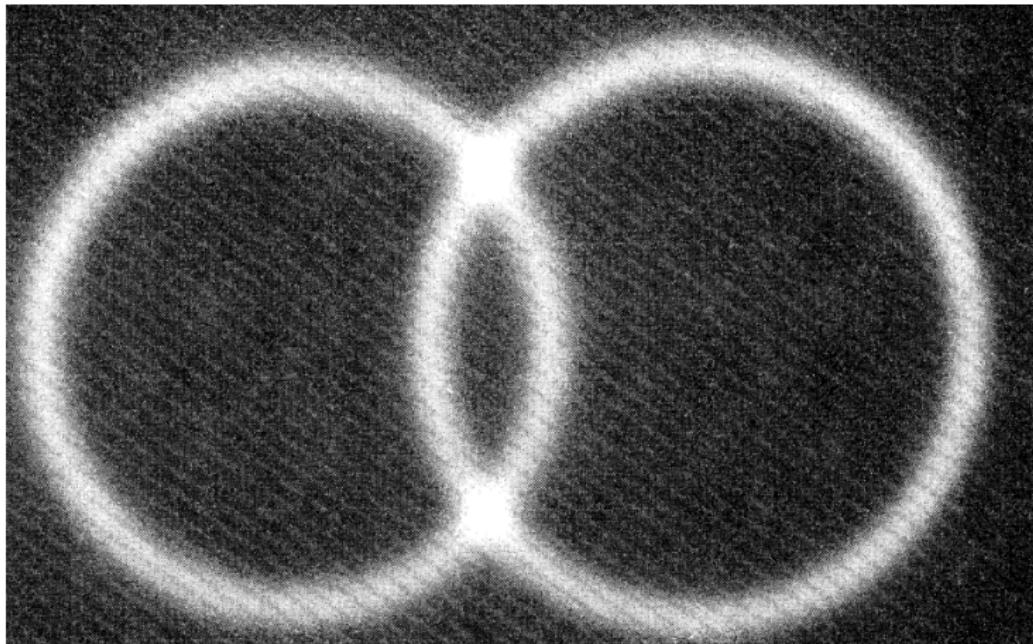
Phase Matching

Bandwidth

Wavelength bandwidth of a) Type-2 crystal with a poling period of $9.12 \mu\text{m}$
b) Type-0 crystals with poling periods of $19, 25 \mu\text{m}$

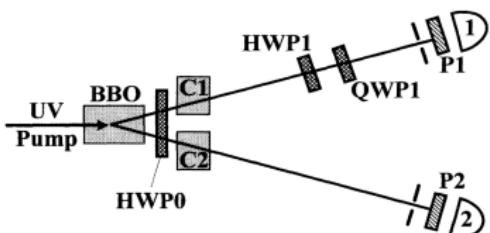


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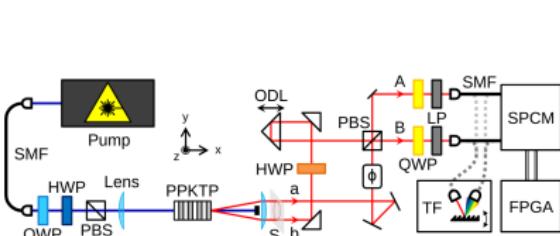


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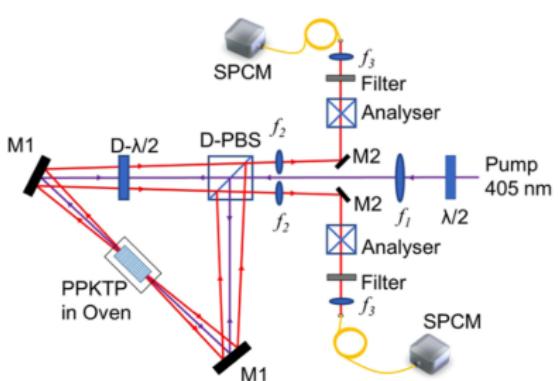
Different designs



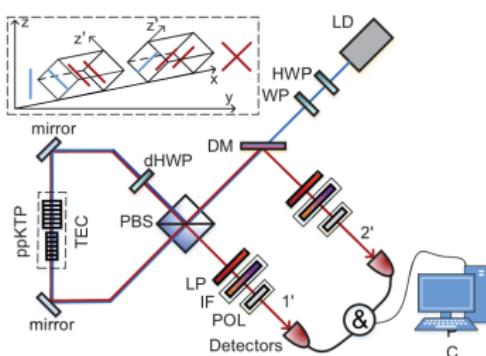
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Distributing Entanglement

Introduction

$$|\Psi_p\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(a_H^\dagger(\omega_p) + e^{i\phi}a_V^\dagger(\omega_p))|0\rangle$$

$$|\Psi_{\text{Type-2}}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(a_H^\dagger(\omega_s)a_V^\dagger(\omega_i) + e^{i\phi}a_V^\dagger(\omega_i)a_H^\dagger(\omega_s))|0\rangle$$

$$|\Psi_{\text{Type-0}}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(a_H^\dagger(\omega_s)a_H^\dagger(\omega_i) + e^{i\phi}a_V^\dagger(\omega_i)a_V^\dagger(\omega_s))|0\rangle$$

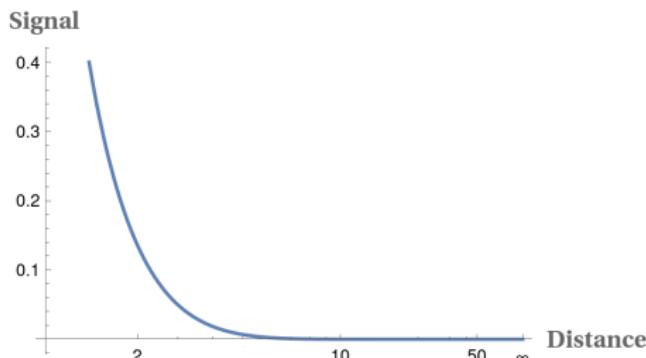
Entanglement

What is it good for?

- ▶ Entanglement source applications:
 1. Distributed Quantum Computation [5],
 2. Quantum Sensing [6],
 3. Single Photon Source - Calibration [7].
- ▶ Loss in fiber → Entanglement swapping!

Relevant fiber loss. *Source: Thorlabs*

λ [nm]	430	532	780	1310	1550	1900
Loss [dB/km]	50	30	12	0.32	0.18	5

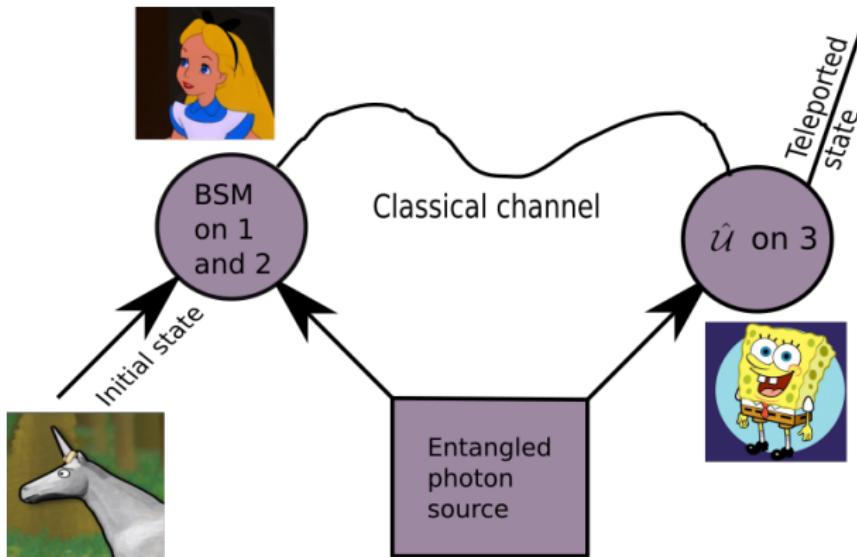


Loss in fiber over distance.

Distributing entanglement

Teleportation

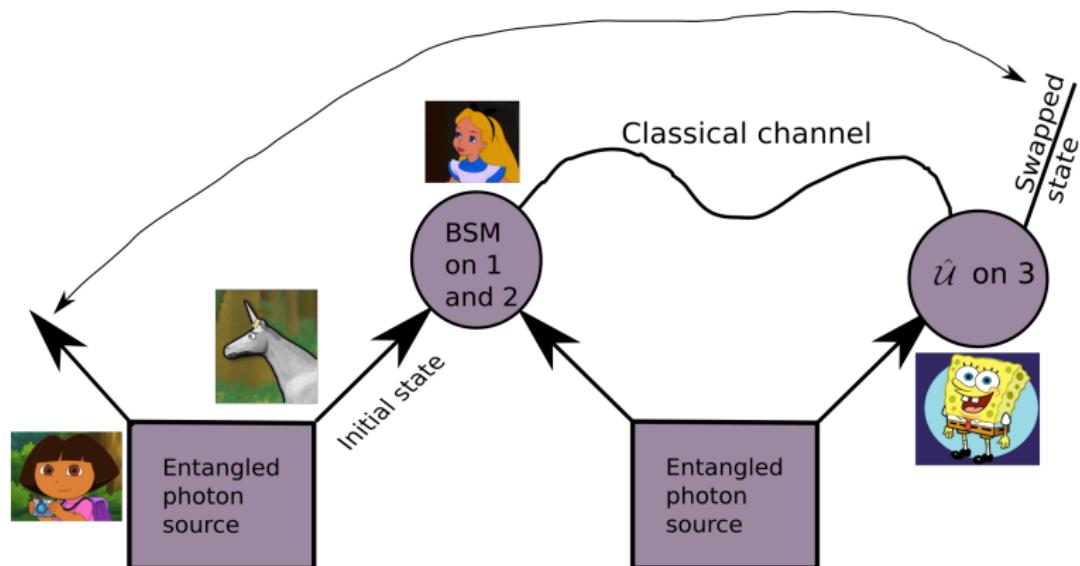
Illustration of Quantum Teleportation: Basis of Entanglement Swapping.



Distributing entanglement

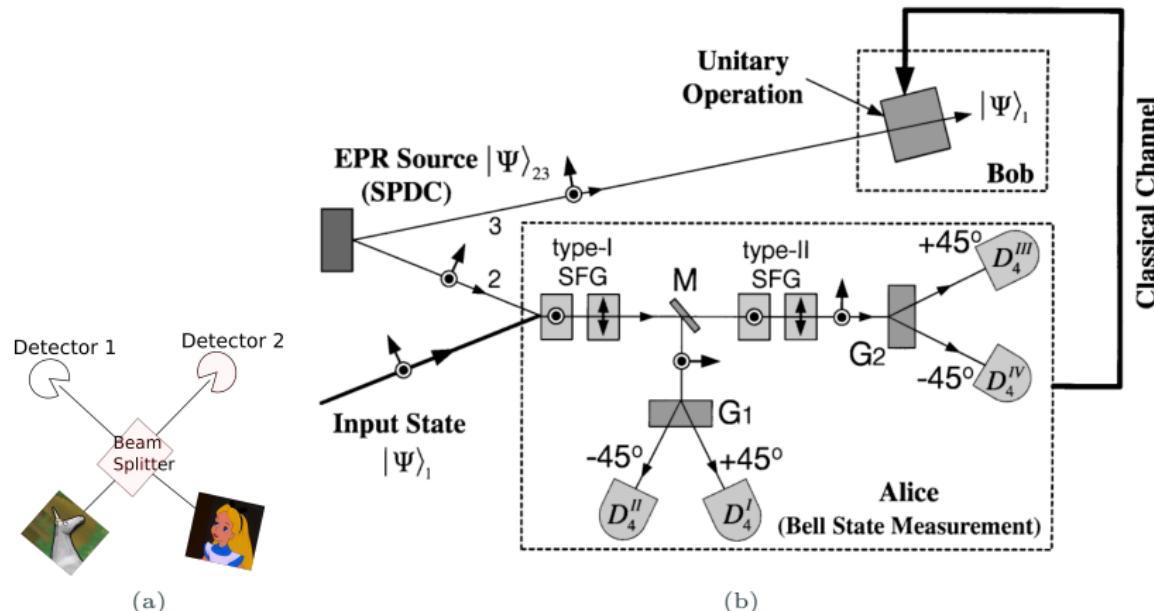
Swapping

Illustration of Entanglement Swapping: Prerequisite for a Quantum Repeater.



Entanglement Distribution

Bell State Measurement



The simplest and the complete (PhysRevLett.86.1370, 2000) BSM.

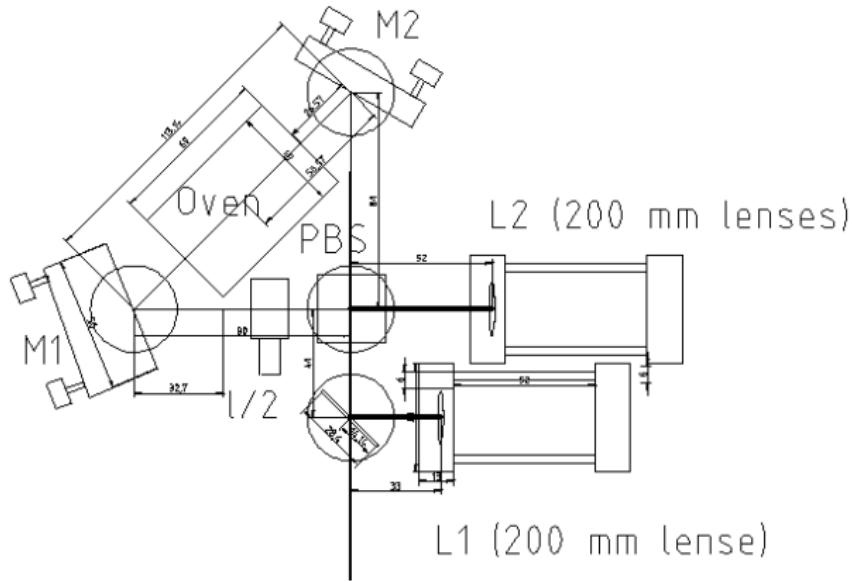
Present state

Parameters

- #### ► Focusing parameter [8]

$$\xi = \frac{L}{2z_B} = 2.08$$

- ▶ Appropriate lenses and distances for efficient coupling

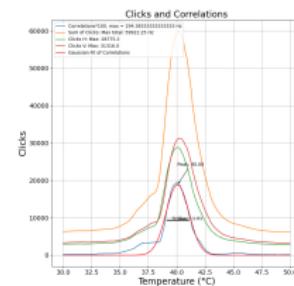


Design of the Sagnac interferometer.

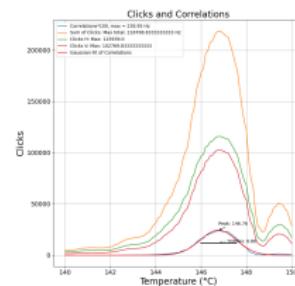
Present state

Phase Matching Temperature

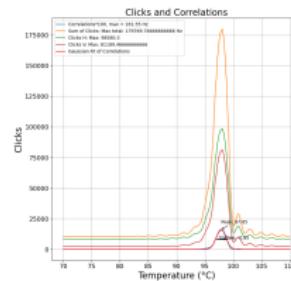
Temperature scans of Type-II and Type-0 crystal with different poling periods, a) Type-II, 9,12 μm , b) 19,25 μm , c) 19,45 μm , d) 19,65 μm



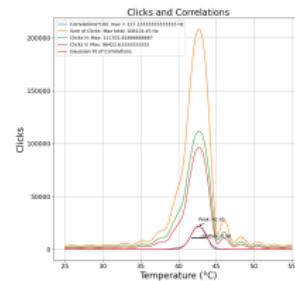
(a)



(b)



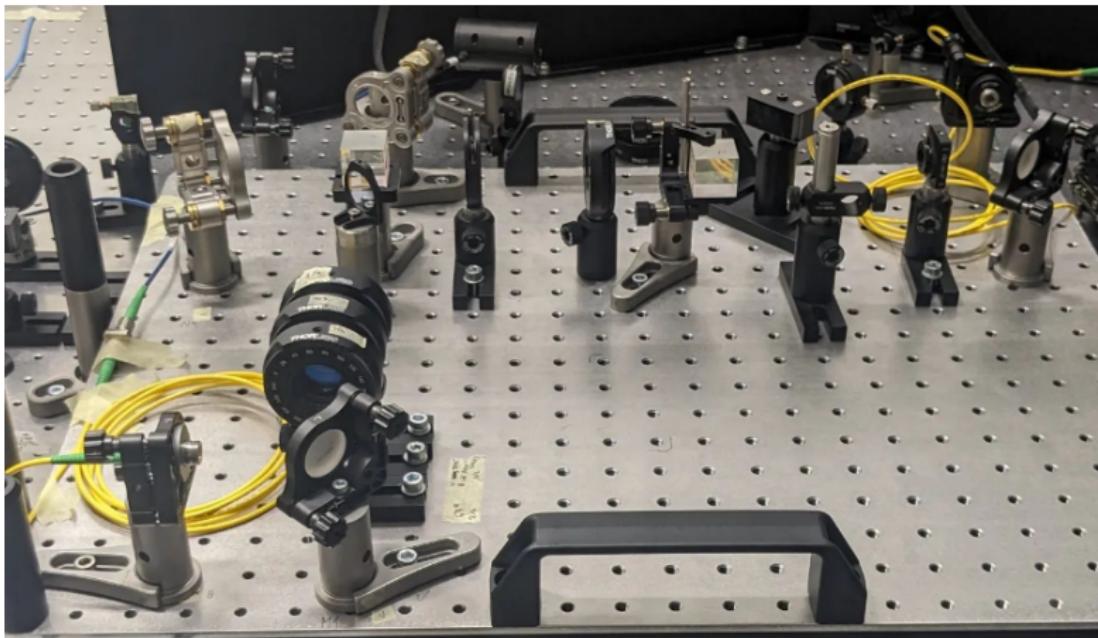
(c)



(d)

Present state

Completing the Sagnac Interferometer

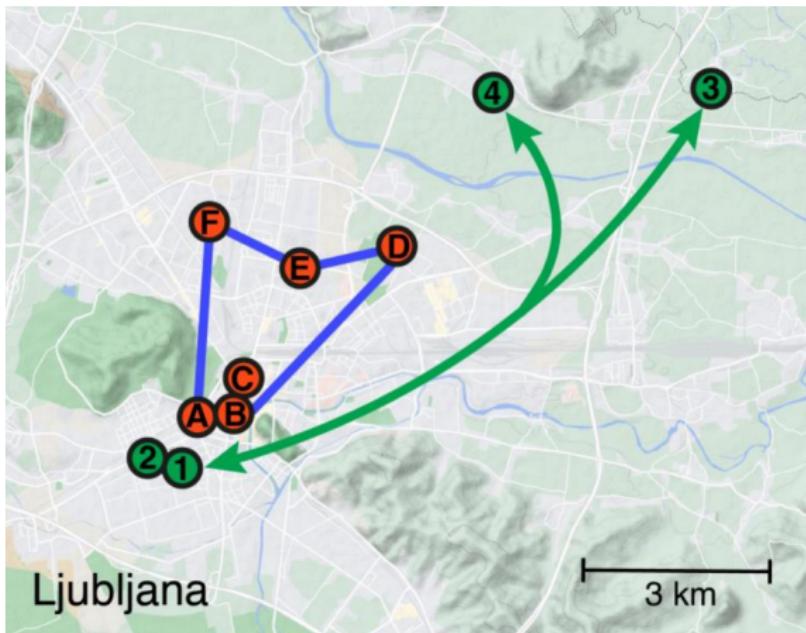


Sagnac in the lab.

Possible realization of the network in Ljubljana

Where?

- ▶ FMF/IJS
 - ▶ Nodes in Ljubljana



Proposal for the experimental (green) and governmental (red) nodes in Ljubljana
Source: <https://siquid.fmf.uni-lj.si/>.

Possible realization of the Slovenian network



Final user

Relay / Switch
(trusted node)

Relay
(trusted node - optional)

Quantum
ground station

Example of the Slovenian Quantum Network.
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Outlook

- ▶ Complete the source
- ▶ Characterize the source
- ▶ Entanglement swapping between FMF and IJS
 - ▶ Bell State Measurements
- ▶ Free space link to IJS
- ▶ Fiber link to reactor
- ▶ In future might use Quantum Memory from IJS group



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Present State

Current results

Current brightness estimation [$\frac{\text{Hz}}{\text{mWnm}}$]

FMF		IJS
Type-II	Type-0	Type-II
$7,8 \times 10^{6} {}^1$	$2,6 \times 10^{7} {}^1$	$0,05 \times 10^{6} {}^2$
Bandwidth [nm]		
0,81	0,81	0,81

¹Linear setup

²Sagnac interferometer

Existing sources

Comparison between different groups

Comparison of different sources

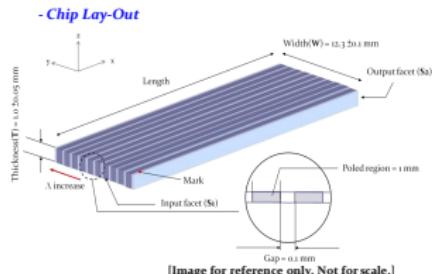
Who When	[9] 2022	[10] 2012	[11] 2007	[12] 2006	[13] 2010
Type	0	0	II	II	II
Brightness [$\frac{\text{Hz}}{\text{mW nm}}$]	$2,5 \times 10^6$	$0,278 \times 10^6$	$0,273 \times 10^6$	$0,005 \times 10^6$	$0,087 \times 10^6$
Bandwidth [nm]	106	2,3	0,3	1	0,3

Phase Matching

Choosing a crystal

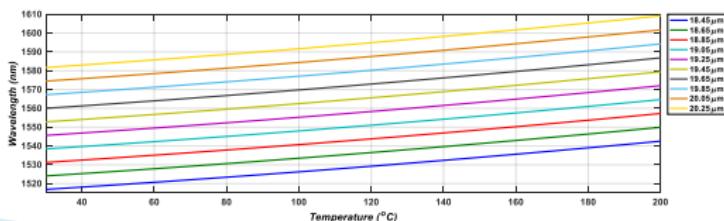


Periodically Poled Lithium Niobate (PPLN) Chip: SHNIR-MF



Items	Properties	Inspection
Material	5 mol.% MgO:LN	NA
Period (λ , μm)	18.45, 18.65, 18.85, 19.05, 19.25, 19.45, 19.65, 19.85, 20.05, 20.25	Microscope
Main Function	Second Harmonic Generation	NA
Parallelism/Perpendicularity	s_2^z/z^l	Autocollimator
Flatness	$\leq \lambda/6$ ($\lambda=633\text{nm}$)	Interferometer
Scratch/Dig	$\leq 20/\text{in}$	Microscope
Optical coating (Si/Sa facets)	Si/Sa @750-800 ($R < 0.5\%$) /1500-1620 ($R < 0.5\%$) nm	Spectral Analyzer
Aperture Size	12.3 x 1.0 mm ² (W x T)	Cutting Machine
Available Length	10/25/50 ± 0.2 mm	
Channel Clear Aperture	≥ 80% (T), ≥ 90% (W)	NA

- Phase Matching Tuning Curve



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Specifications from the crystal manufacturer.

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