

Generating and teleporting entanglement for quantum networks

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Motivation

► SiQUID

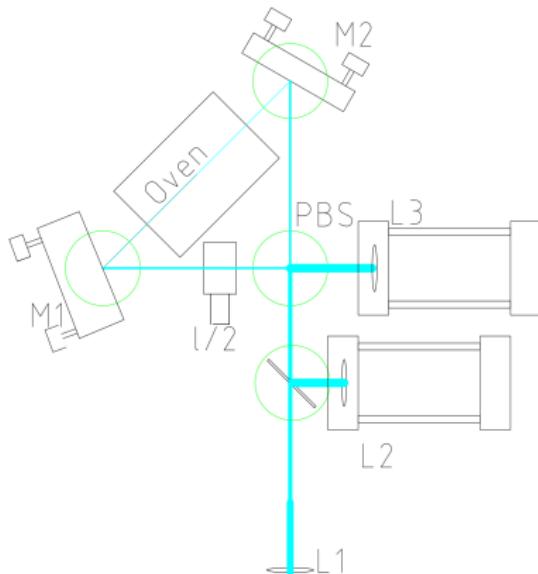
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 1. Entanglement distribution
 2. Entanglement based Quantum Key Distribution (QKD)
 3. Training in quantum technologies in Slovenia
 4. Testbed for industrialized version



Example of Slovenian Quantum Network.

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 - ▶ Bright source of entanglement



An example of a Sagnac Interferometer.

SPDC

Spontaneous Parametric Downconversion (SPDC)

$$\omega_p = \omega_s + \omega_i$$

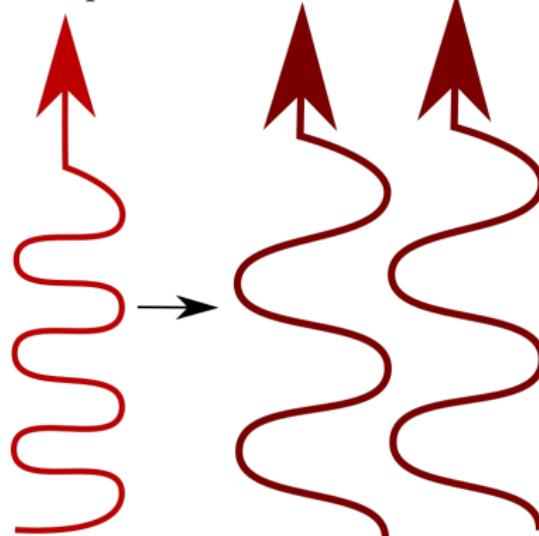


Illustration of SPDC

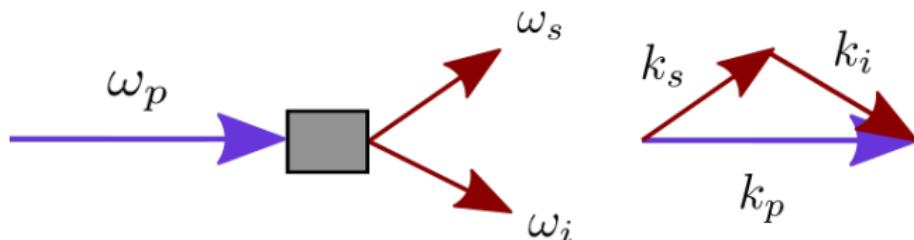
- Degenerate $\omega_i = \omega_s$
 - Non-degenerate $\omega_i \neq \omega_s$

Phase Matching

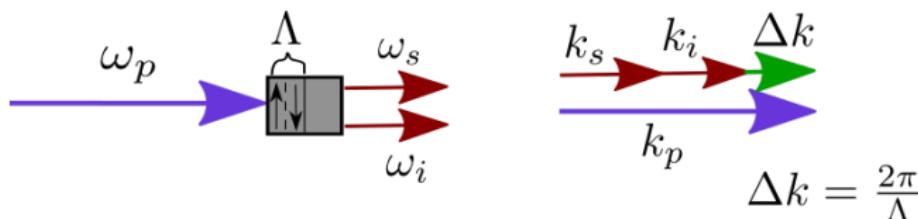
Birefringent Phase Matching, Quasi Phase Matching

What is Phase Matching?

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



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

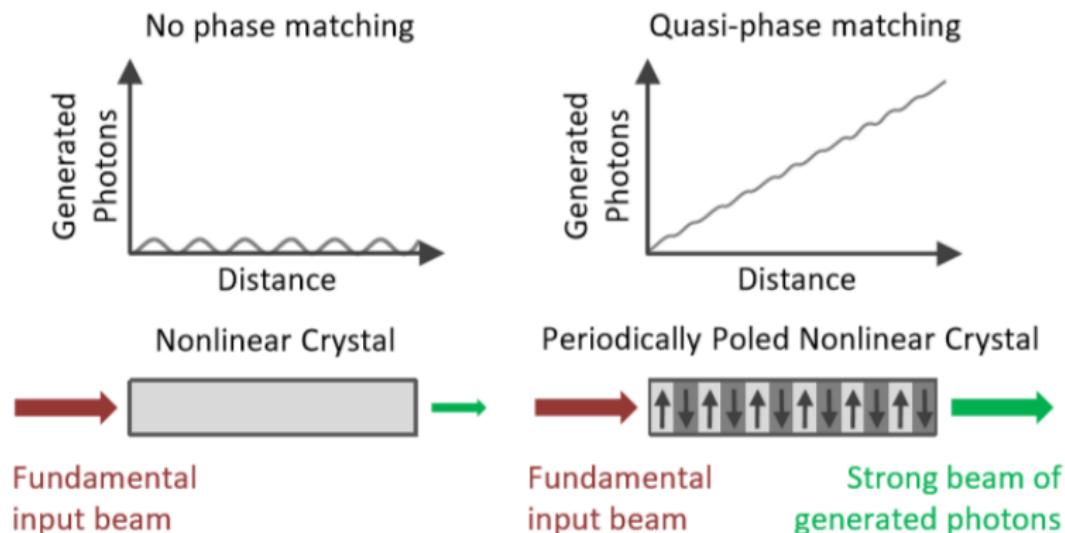


Phase Matching

Crystal Size

Difference in photon generation between a unpoled and poled crystal.

Source: RP-Photonics



Phase Matching

Types

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

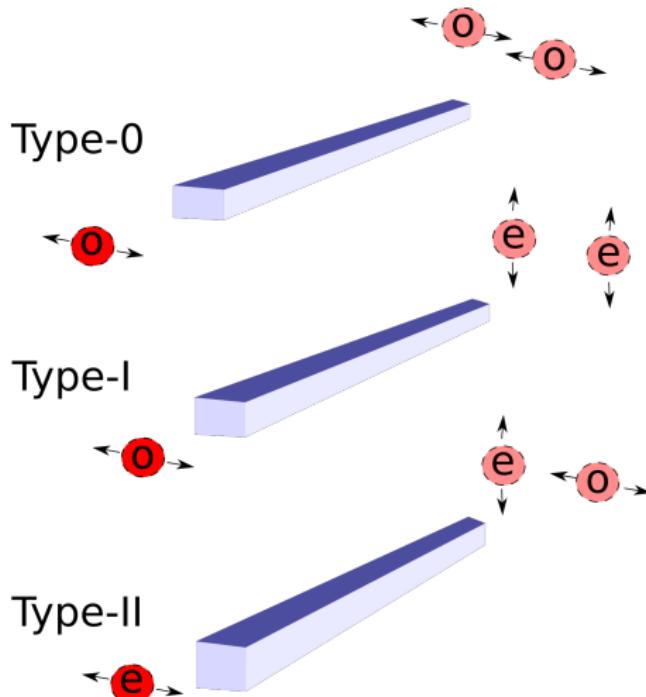
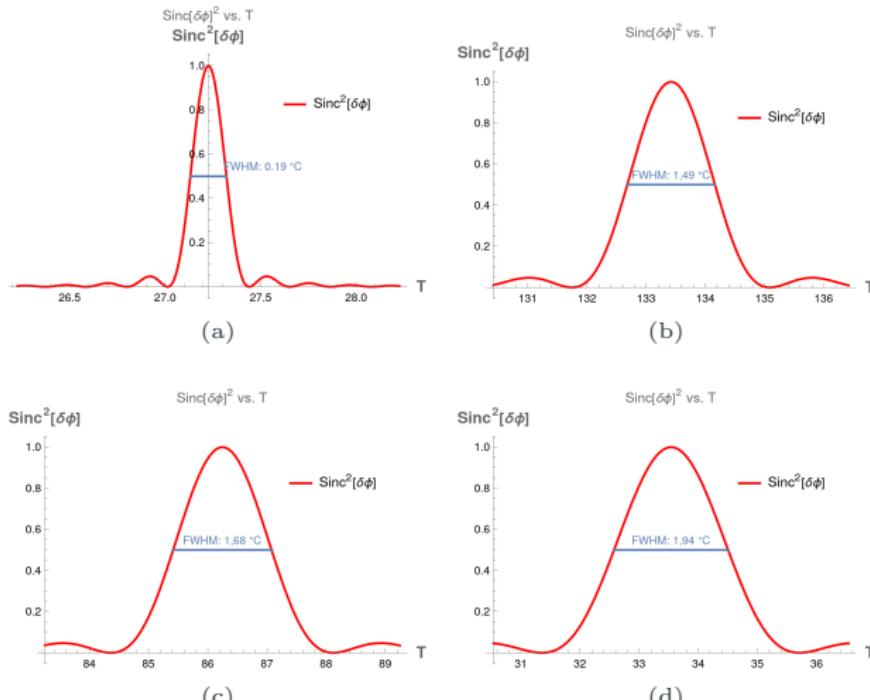


Illustration of different types of polarization conversions.

Phase Matching

Phase Matching Temperature

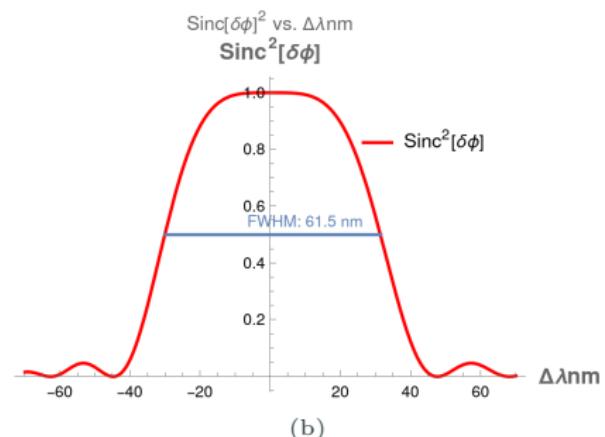
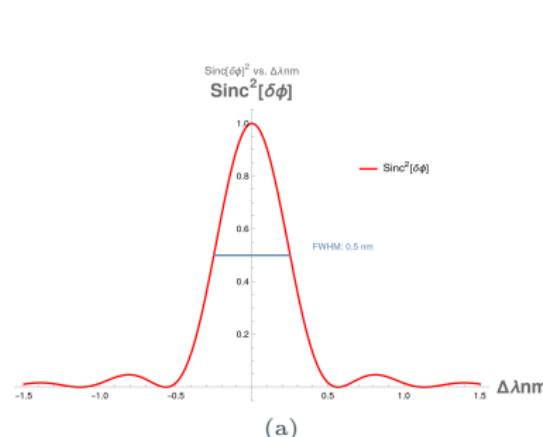
Phase Matching Temperature plots for a) Type-2 crystal of $9,12 \mu\text{m}$ poling period, b) Type-0, $19,25 \mu\text{m}$, c) Type-0, $19,45 \mu\text{m}$, d), Type-0 $19,65 \mu\text{m}$. $\delta\phi = \frac{L\Delta k}{2}$



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 $19, 25 \mu\text{m}$



Existing sources

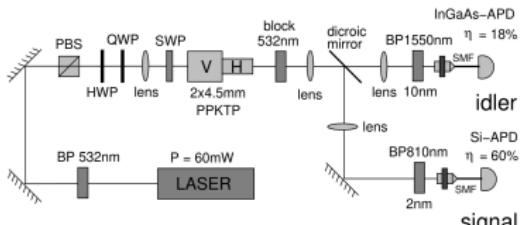
Comparison between different groups

Comparison of different sources

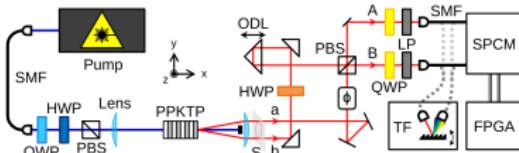
Who When	[1] 2022	[2] 2012	[3] 2007	[4] 2006	[5] 2010
Type	0	0	II	II	II
Brightness [$\frac{\text{Hz}}{\text{mW nm}}$]	$2,5 \times 10^6$	$0,278 \times 10^6$	$0,273 \times 10^6$	$0,005 \times 10^6$	$0,087 \times 10^6$
Bandwidth [nm]	106	2,3	0,3	1	0,3

Different Designs

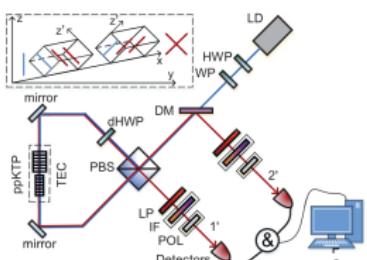
Different design ideas from other groups. a) [6], b) [7], c) [8], d) [9]



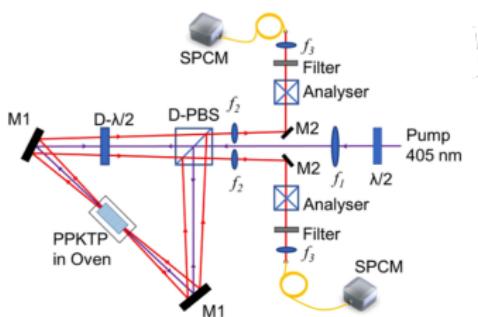
(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)

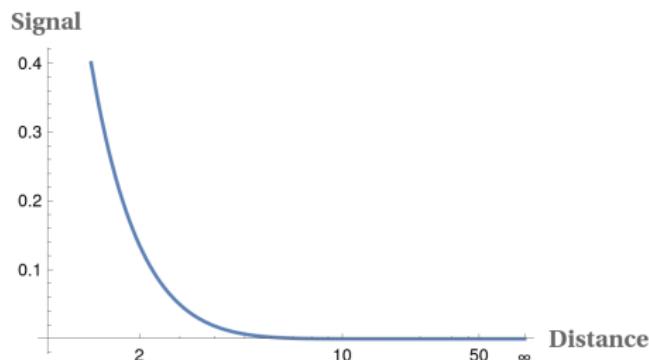
Entanglement

What is it good for?

- ▶ Entanglement source applications:
 1. Distributed Quantum Computation - Send a state then receive a result on the entangled pair,
 2. Quantum Sensing,
 3. Single Photon Source - Calibration
- ▶ 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

Introduction

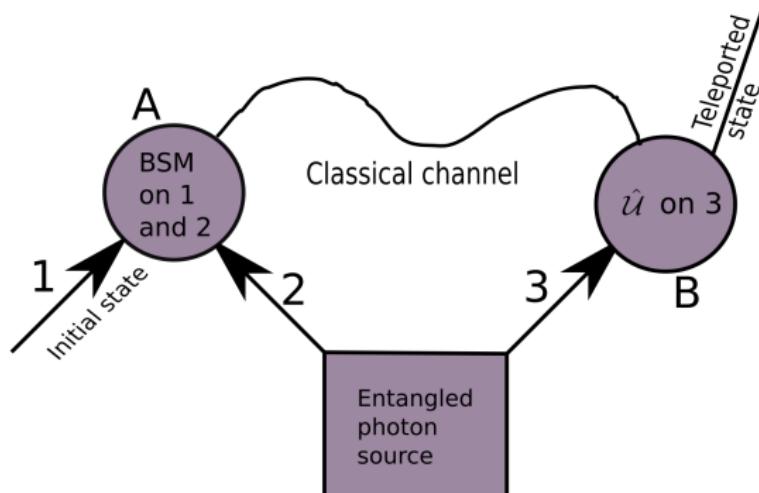
$$|\Psi_{\text{Type-2}}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(a_H^\dagger(\omega_s)a_V^\dagger(\omega_i) + a_V^\dagger(\omega_i)a_H^\dagger(\omega_s))|0\rangle$$
$$|\Psi_{\text{Type-0}}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(a_H^\dagger(\omega_s)a_H^\dagger(\omega_i) + a_V^\dagger(\omega_i)a_V^\dagger(\omega_s))|0\rangle$$

- ▶ FMF/IJS
- ▶ Nodes in Ljubljana

Distributing entanglement

Teleportation

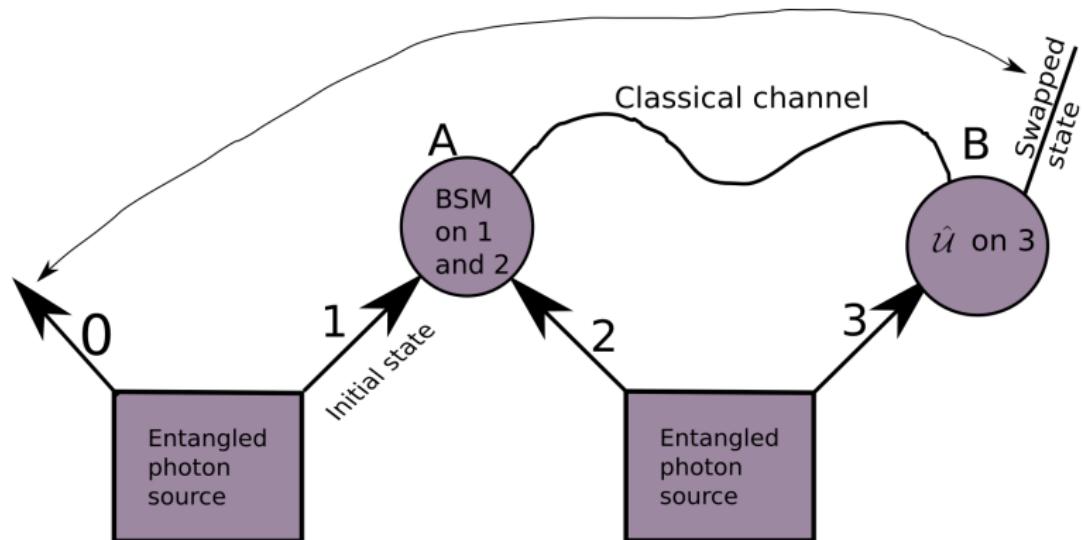
Illustration of Entanglement Teleportation.



Distributing entanglement

Swapping

Illustration of Entanglement Swapping: Prerequisite for a Quantum Repeater.





Final user

- Relay / Switch
(trusted node)

-  Relay
(trusted node - optional)



Quantum ground station

Example of the Slovenian Quantum Network.
Source: <https://sigrid.fmf.uni-lj.si/>.

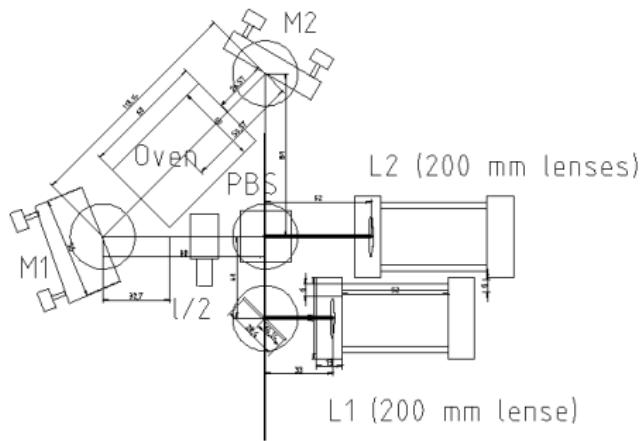
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Parameters

- #### ► Focusing parameters [10]

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

- Correct lenses and distances for efficient coupling

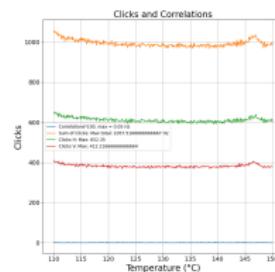


Design of the Sagnac interferometer.

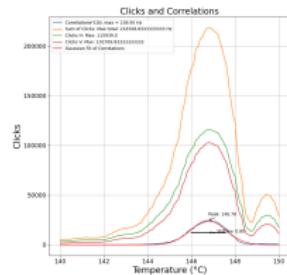
Present state

Phase Matching Temperature

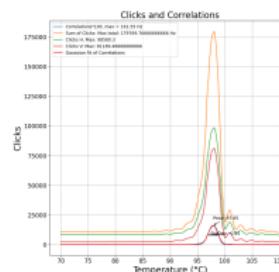
Temperature scans of Type-0 crystals with different poling periods, a) misaligned 19,25 μm , b) 19,25 μm , c) 19,45 μm , d) 19,65 μm



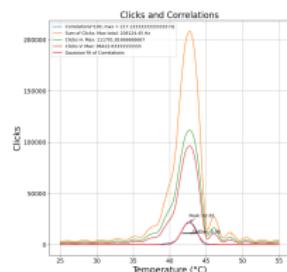
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(b)



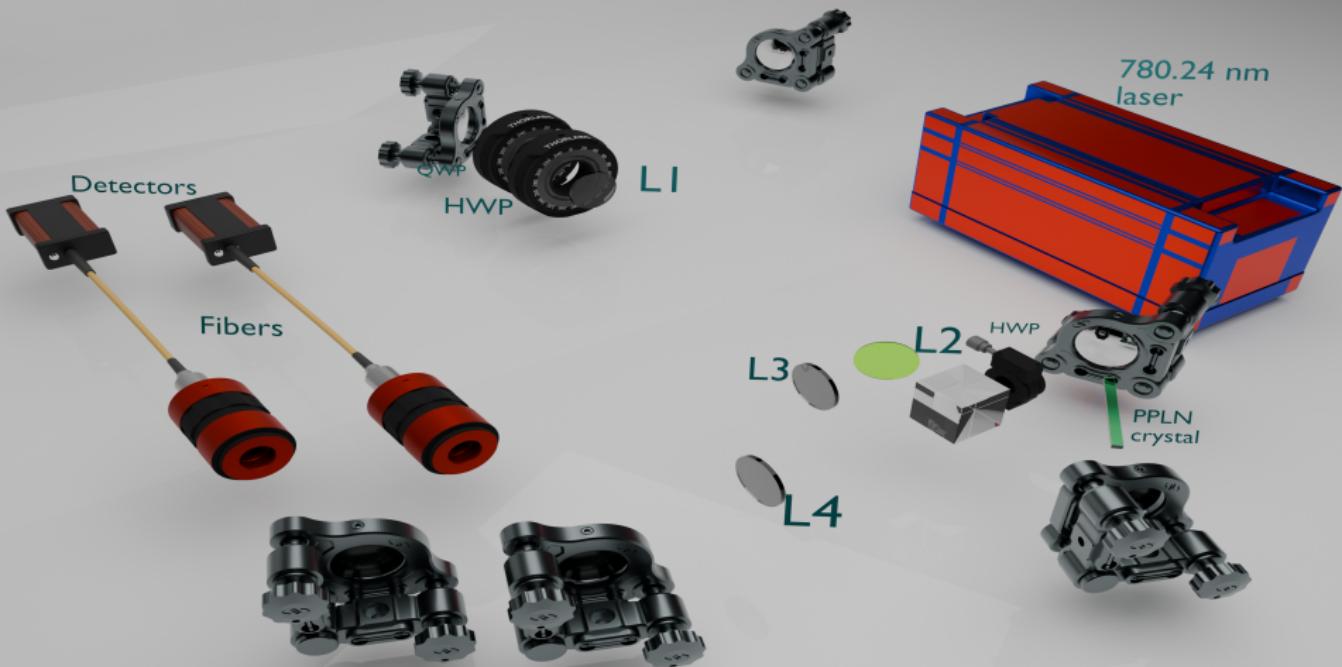
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Present state

Building a Sagnac Interferometer



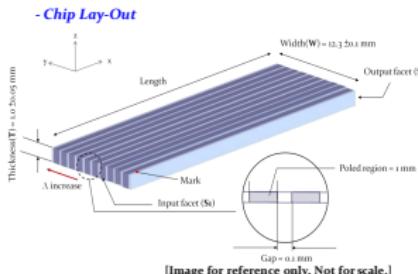
Present state

Building a Sagnac Interferometer



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

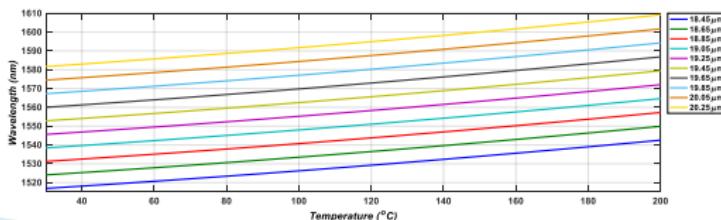
0.24 nm



[Image for reference only. Not for scale.]

Items	Properties	Inspection
Material	5 mol% MgO:LN	NA
Period (λ , μ m)	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	$\pm 5'/21'$	Autocollimator
Flatness	$\leq \lambda/6$ ($\lambda=633\text{nm}$)	Interferometer
Scratch/Dig	$\geq 20/10$	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 (W x T)	Cutting Machine
Available Length	10/25/50 ± 0.2 mm	
Channel Clear Aperture	$\geq 80\%$ (T), $\geq 90\%$ (W)	NA

Phase Matching Tuning Curve



Version: Jan., 2021

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Specifications from the crystal manufacturer.

Source: HC Photonics Corp.



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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

Outlook

- ▶ Build the source
- ▶ Bell State Measurements (CHSH)
- ▶ Entanglement swapping between FMF and IJS
- ▶ Free space link to IJS
- ▶ Fiber link to reactor
- ▶ Use Quantum Memory from IJS group
- ▶ SiQUID
 - ▶ Building quantum network:
 1. Experimental network and
 2. Government network

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