

Dispersive Quantum Interface for Nanofiber-Trapped Atoms: QND Measurement and Spin Squeezing

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dispersive interaction: phase shift

An off-resonant probe of detuning Δ induces an atomic dipole $\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{r}') = \hat{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{E}_0(\mathbf{r}')$

the re-radiated field interferes with the probe, producing a **phase shift**

$$\delta\phi_{\{H,V\}} = \frac{\Gamma_{\{H,V\}}^{1D}}{\Delta}$$

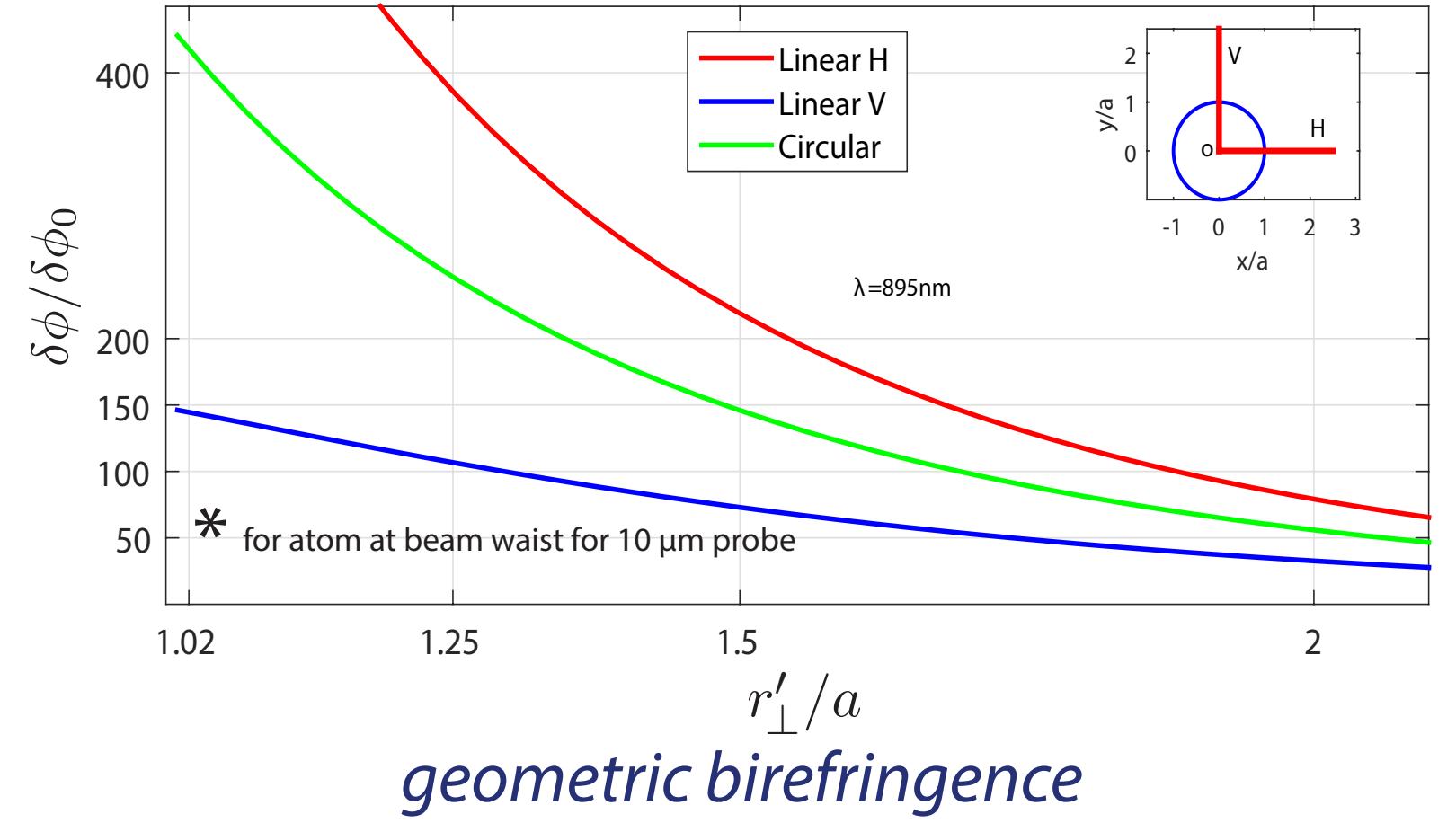
that depends on the coupling rate to the guided modes H and V:

$$\Gamma_{\{H,V\}}^{1D} = 2\pi \frac{\omega_{eg}}{v_g} |\mathbf{d}_{eg} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{\{H,V\}}(\mathbf{r}')|^2$$

Comparing to free space phase shift:

$$\frac{\delta\phi_{fiber}}{\delta\phi_{vac}} = \frac{A_{in}^{vac}}{A_{in}^{fiber}} = A_{in} |\mathbf{u}_{in}^{fiber}(\mathbf{r}'_\perp)|^2$$

single-atom phase shift relative to free-space*



even a scalar polarizable particle produces position-dependent

birefringence given by the differential phase shift

$$\delta\phi_H - \delta\phi_V = \sigma_0 \frac{c}{v_g} \frac{\Gamma_0}{4\Delta} (|\mathbf{u}_H(\mathbf{r}')|^2 - |\mathbf{u}_V(\mathbf{r}')|^2)$$

quantum interface on the atomic clock states

off-resonant probe dispersively couples the **collective atomic pseudospin**

$$\left| \uparrow \right\rangle \equiv |F=4, m_f=0\rangle \quad \left| \downarrow \right\rangle \equiv |F=3, m_f=0\rangle \quad \begin{cases} \text{ground hyperfine clock states} \\ \text{to the polarization (Stokes operator) of the guided modes} \end{cases}$$

$$\hat{H}_{J_3} = \Delta\chi \hat{J}_3 \hat{S}_0 + \chi_{J_3} \hat{J}_3 \hat{S}_1$$

$$\hat{J}_3 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N_A} (|\uparrow\rangle\langle\uparrow| - |\downarrow\rangle\langle\downarrow|)^{(n)} \quad \hat{S}_1 = \frac{1}{2} (\hat{a}_H^\dagger \hat{a}_H - \hat{a}_V^\dagger \hat{a}_V)$$

the coupling strengths:

$$\chi_{J_3} = (\chi_{H,\uparrow} - \chi_{H,\downarrow}) + (\chi_{V,\uparrow} - \chi_{V,\downarrow})$$

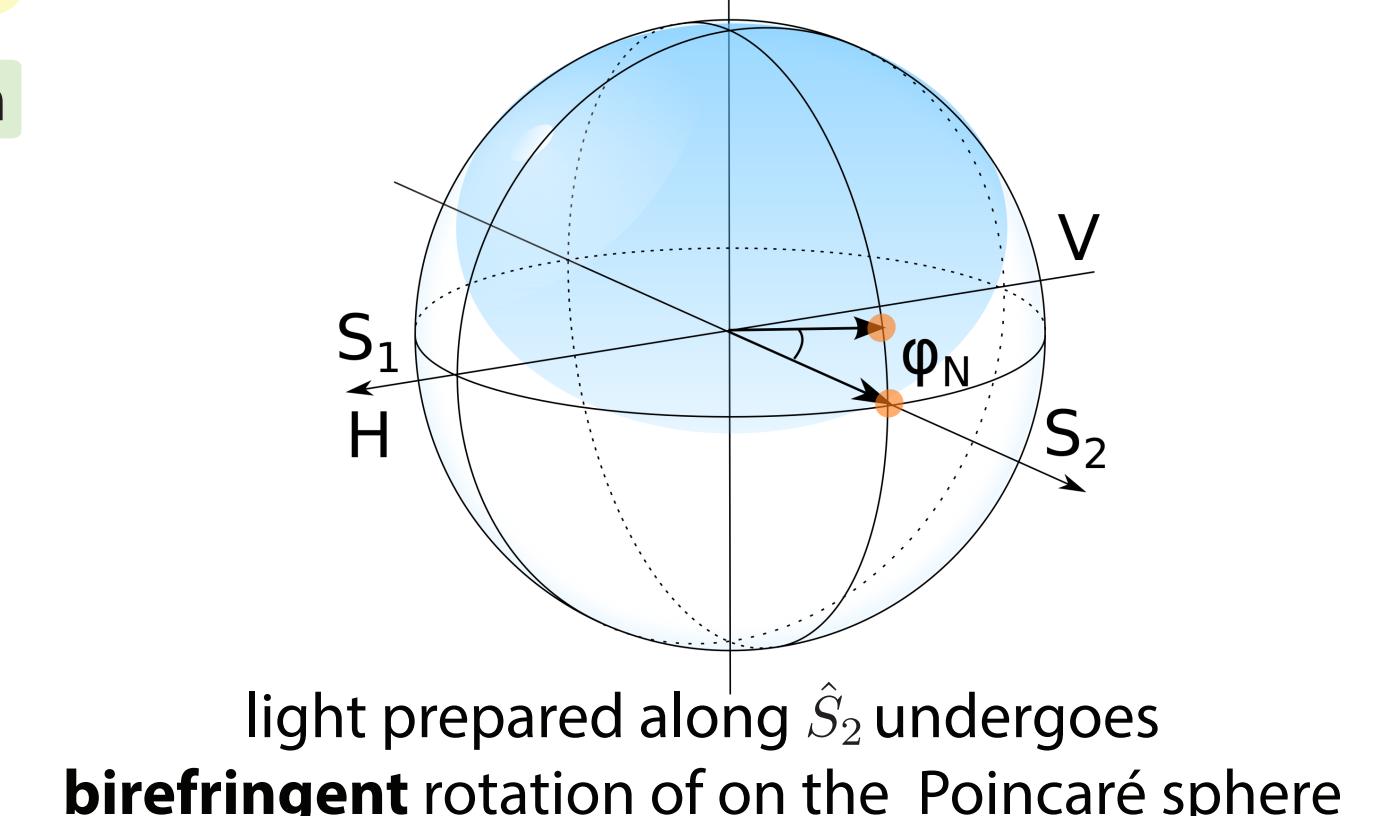
$$\Delta\chi = (\chi_{H,\uparrow} - \chi_{H,\downarrow}) - (\chi_{V,\uparrow} - \chi_{V,\downarrow})$$

depend on the atomic position and its internal state

$$\chi_{H,\uparrow} = -\frac{2\pi\omega_0}{v_g} \langle \uparrow | \mathbf{u}_H^*(\mathbf{r}') \cdot \hat{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{u}_H(\mathbf{r}') | \uparrow \rangle$$

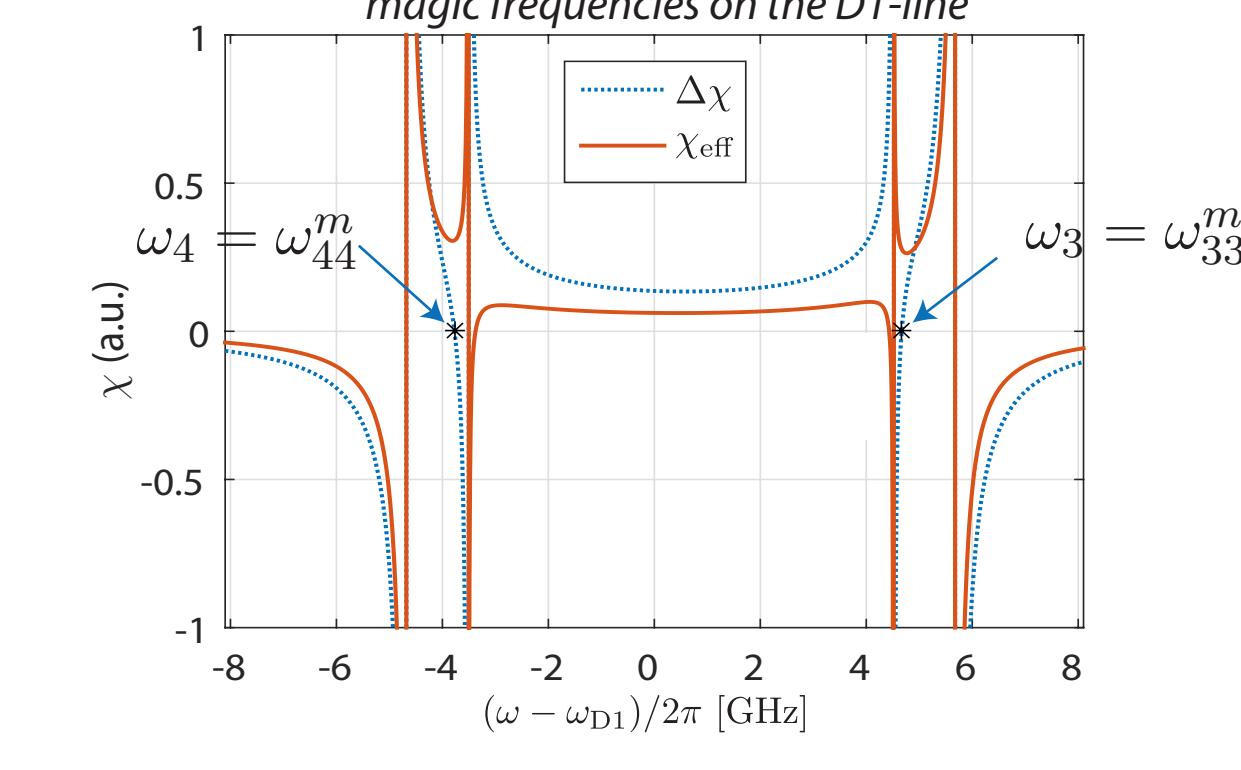
atomic polarizability tensor

Poincaré sphere

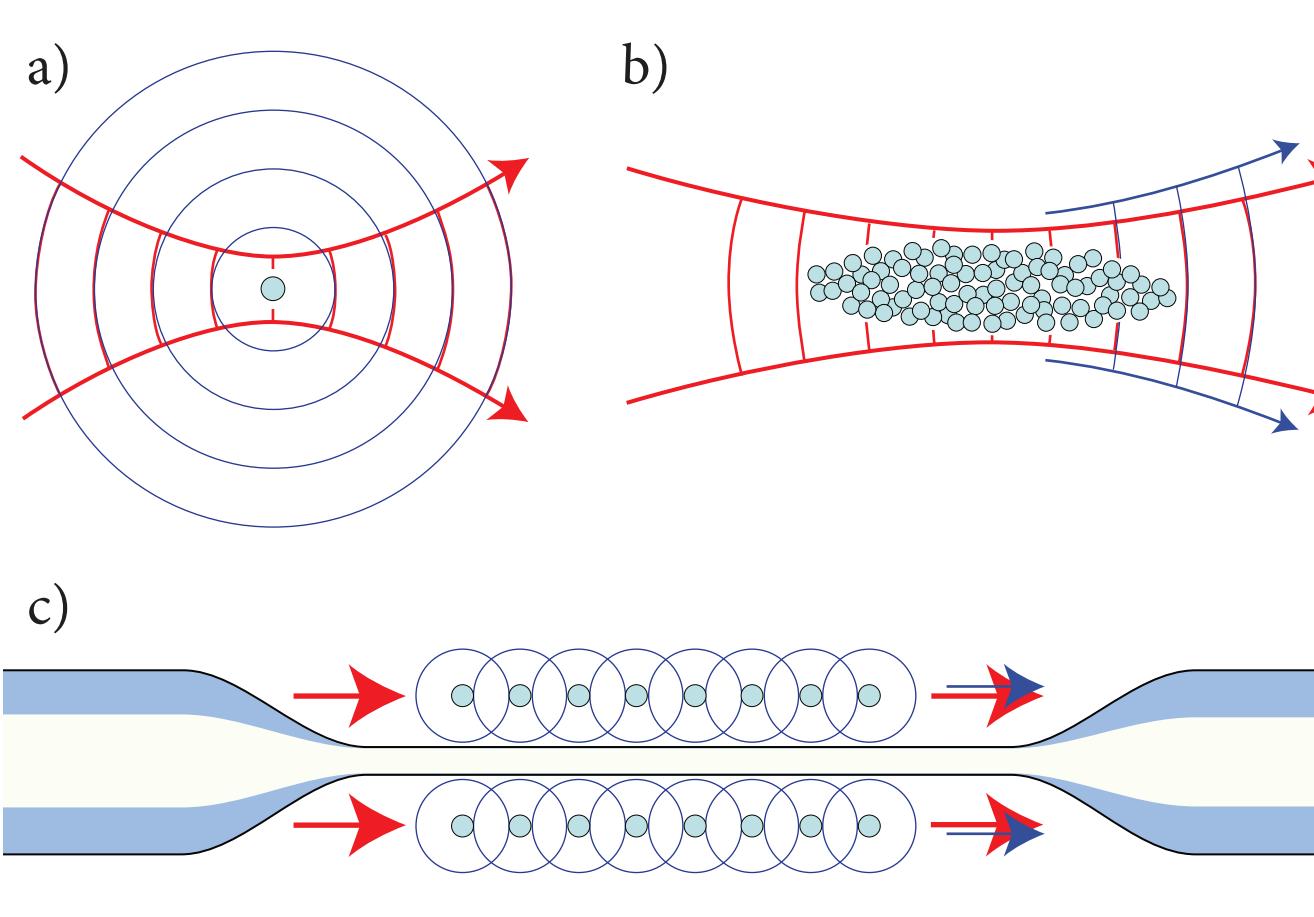


light prepared along S_2 undergoes birefringent rotation of ϕ_N on the Poincaré sphere

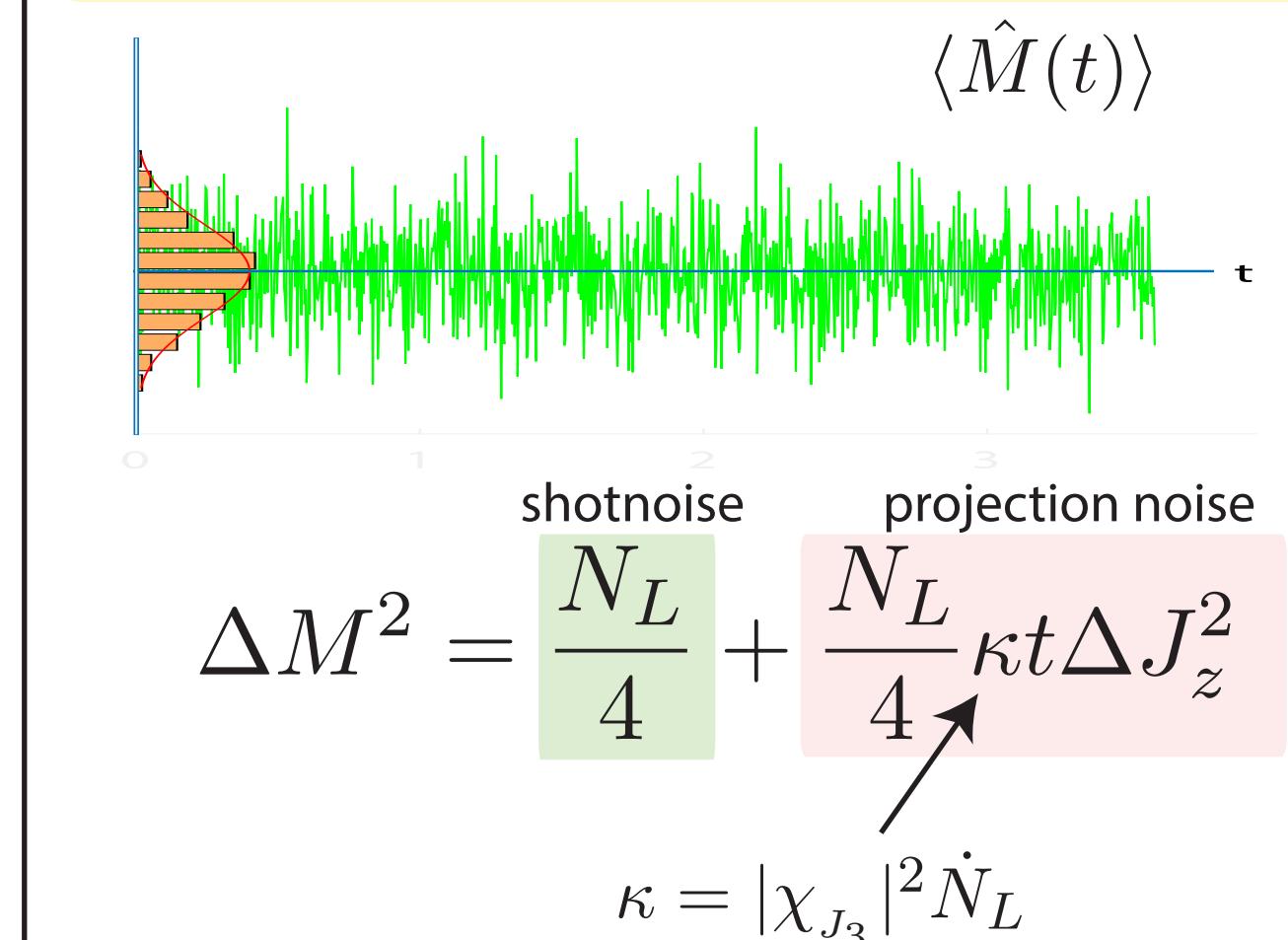
"magic" probe frequency to isolate entangling interaction



mode-matching in different atomic systems



shotnoise-limited atom number detection



the resolution of an atom number measurement is set by the fluctuations in the measurement of \hat{S}_3 .

When the **atomic projection noise** is equal to the **shotnoise**:

$$\Delta M_{PN}^2 = \Delta M_{SN}^2$$

the minimum detectable atom number is

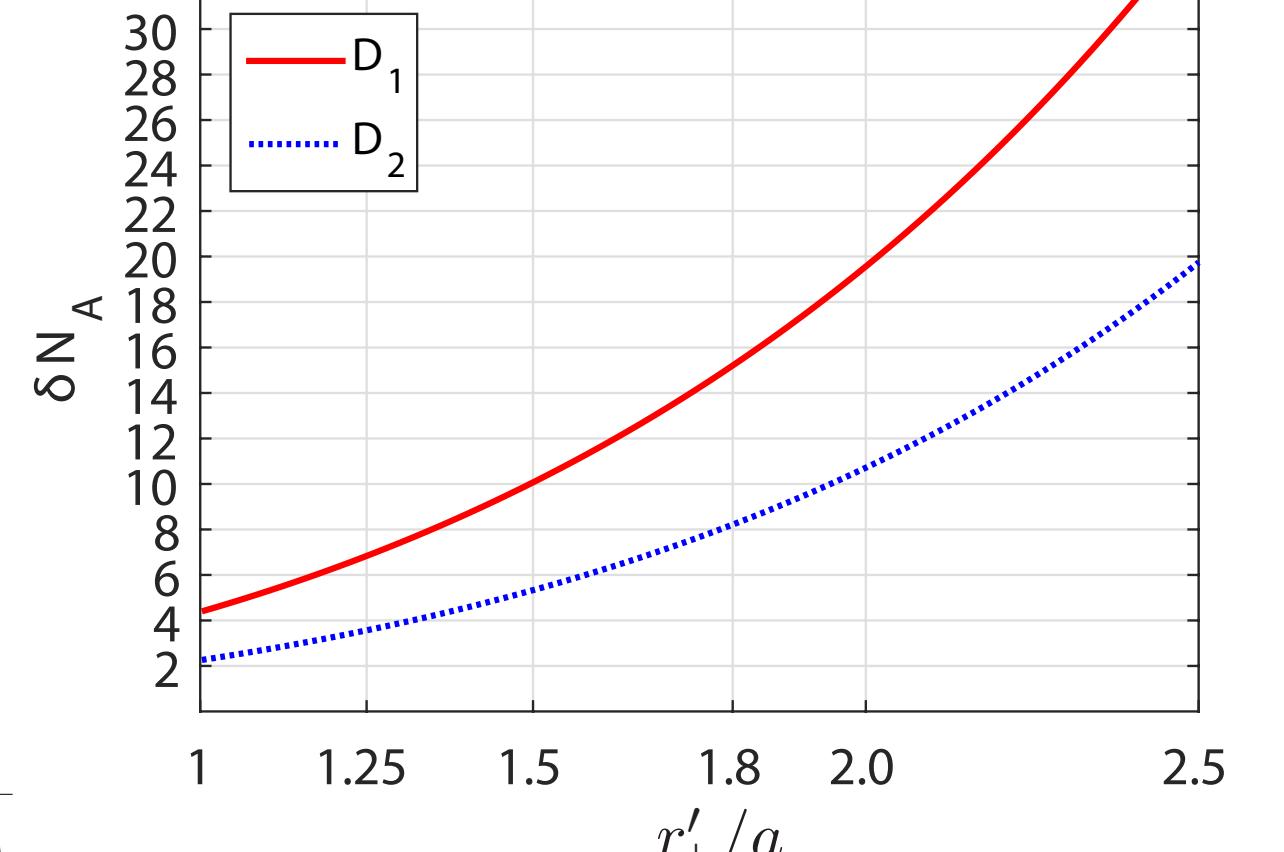
$$\delta N_A \sim \frac{1}{C_{j'}^{(0)}} \sqrt{\frac{A_N^2}{A_{in}\sigma_0}}$$

$\kappa = |\chi_{J_3}|^2 \dot{N}_L$

measurement strength

Two effective mode areas:

$$A_{in} \equiv \frac{1}{n_g} |\mathbf{u}_in(\mathbf{r}'_\perp)|^2, \quad A_N \equiv \frac{2}{n_g} (|\mathbf{u}_H(\mathbf{r}'_\perp)|^2 + |\mathbf{u}_V(\mathbf{r}'_\perp)|^2)$$



Heisenberg-Langevin equations and input-output relationships

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \hat{a}_\mu &= -i\omega \hat{a}_\mu + i \sum_{e,g} g_{\mu,e,g}^* \hat{\sigma}_{ge}, & \frac{d}{dt} \hat{a}_\nu &= -i\omega \hat{a}_\nu + i \sum_{e,g} g_{\nu,e,g}^* \hat{\sigma}_{ge}, \\ \frac{d}{dt} \hat{\sigma}_{ge} &= -i\omega_{eg} \hat{\sigma}_{ge} + i \int_0^\infty d\omega \sum_{e',g'} (\delta_{ee'} \hat{\sigma}_{gg'} - \delta_{gg'} \hat{\sigma}_{e'e}) \left[\sum_{b,p} g_{\mu,e',g'} \hat{a}_\mu + \sum_{m,p} \int_{-kn_2}^{kn_2} d\beta g_{\nu,e',g'} \hat{a}_\nu \right] \end{aligned}$$

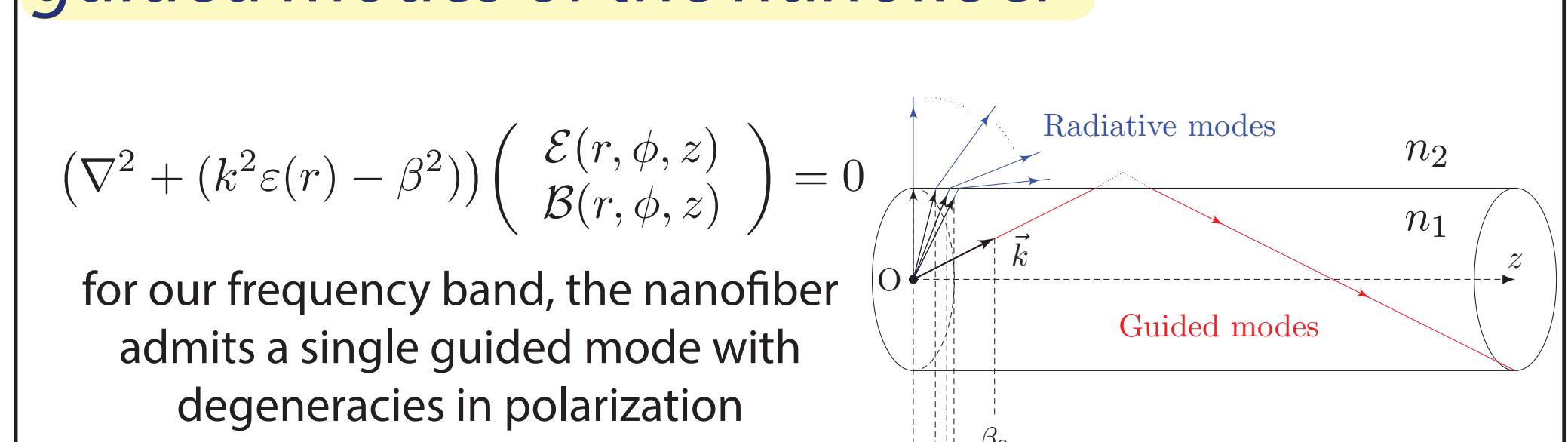
Input-output relationships of the guided mode photon creation operators

$$\hat{a}_\mu^{out}(\omega) = \hat{a}_\mu^{in}(\omega) - 2\pi i \sum_{b',p'} \sum_{e,g'} \hat{\sigma}_{gg'} \frac{g_{\mu,e,g}^* g_{\mu',e',g'}^*}{\omega - \omega_{eg} + i\Gamma_e/2} \hat{a}_{\mu'}^{in}(\omega)$$

Phase-shift for a given guided mode

$$\delta\phi_{p,g} = -\sum_e \frac{\Gamma_p^e}{\Delta_{eg}}, \quad \Gamma_p^e = \frac{2}{\hbar} \sum_g \langle g | \hat{d} | e \rangle \cdot \text{Im} [\mathbf{G}_{pp}^{(+)}(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{r}'; \omega_{eg})] \cdot \langle e | \hat{d} | g \rangle$$

guided modes of the nanofiber



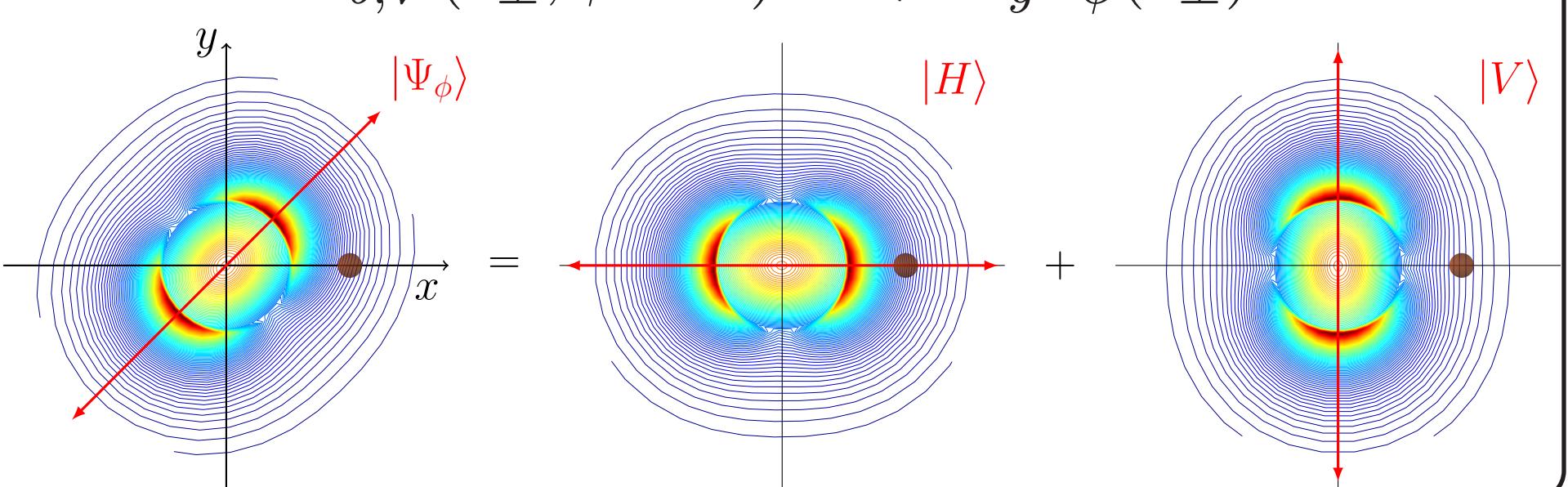
for our frequency band, the nanofiber admits a single guided mode with degeneracies in polarization and propagation direction

quasilinear guided modes

placing the atom at $\phi = 0$, the two "quasilinear" forward-propagating guided modes are

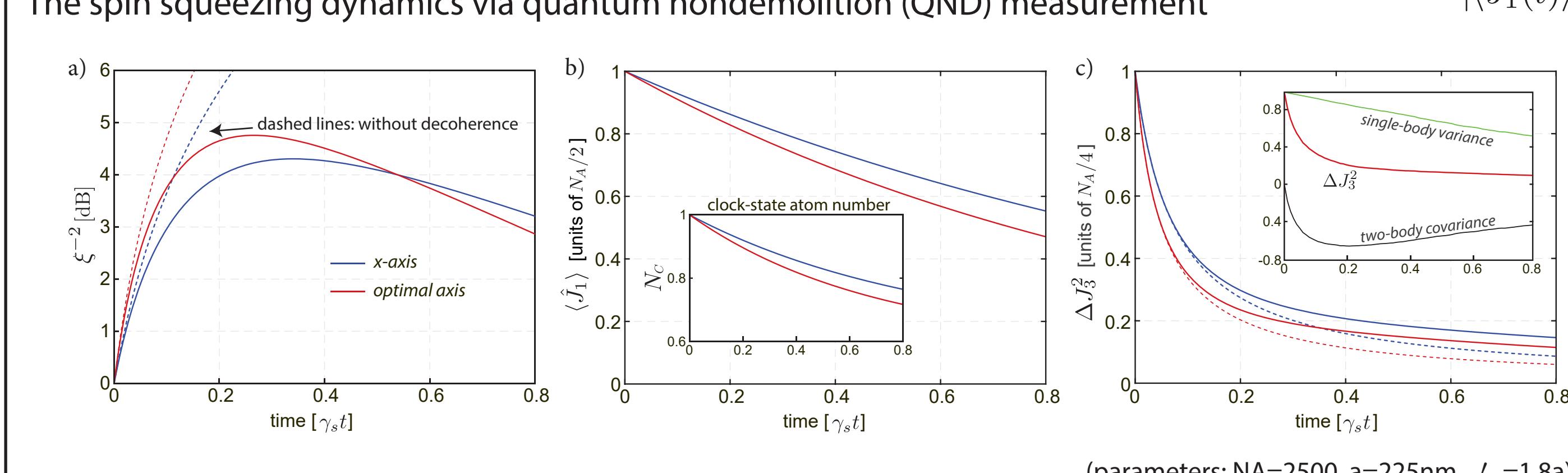
$$\mathbf{u}_{b,H}(r'_\perp, \phi = 0) = \sqrt{2} [\mathbf{e}_x u_r(r'_\perp) + i \mathbf{e}_z u_z(r'_\perp)]$$

$$\mathbf{u}_{b,V}(r'_\perp, \phi = 0) = \sqrt{2} \mathbf{e}_y u_\phi(r'_\perp)$$



spin squeezing via QND measurement

The spin squeezing dynamics via quantum nondemolition (QND) measurement

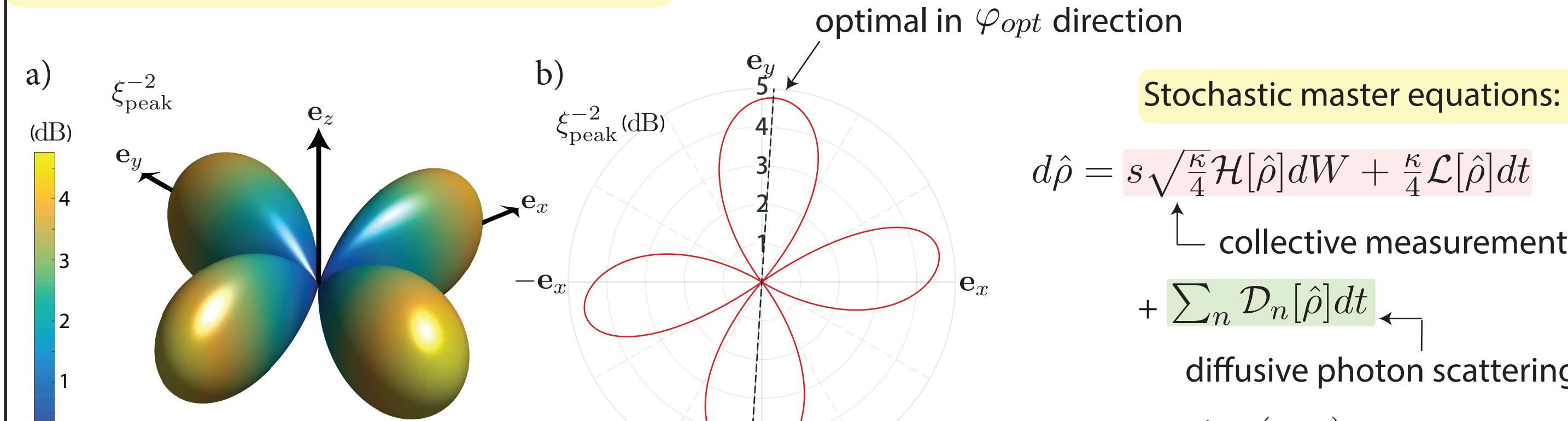


squeezing parameter:

$$\xi^2 = N_A \frac{\Delta J_3^2(t)}{|\langle \hat{J}_1(t) \rangle|^2}$$

(parameters: NA=2500, a=225nm, $r'_\perp = 1.8a$)

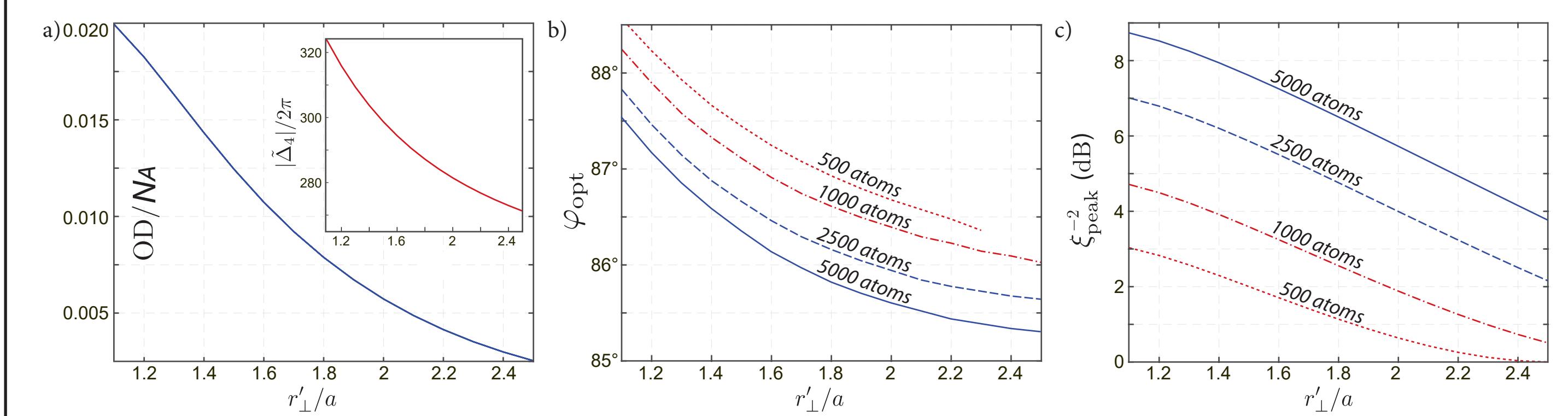
The optimal choice of quantization axis



The effective mode area for the birefringence interaction using the clock states is determined by

$$\frac{1}{A_{J_3}} = n_g \frac{|\mathbf{e}_z \cdot \mathbf{u}_H(\mathbf{r}'_\perp)|^2 |\mathbf{u}_V(\mathbf{r}'_\perp)|^2 - |\mathbf{e}_z \cdot \mathbf{u}_V(\mathbf{r}'_\perp)|^2 |\mathbf{u}_H(\mathbf{r}'_\perp)|^2}{|\mathbf{u}_H(\mathbf{r}'_\perp)|^2 + |\mathbf{u}_V(\mathbf{r}'_\perp)|^2}$$

OD/NA, effective magic detuning, optical direction of the quantization axis and peak squeezing:



Green's function for the nanofiber

The Green's function is a tensor that characterizes the **scattering** from a point source

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{E}_0(\mathbf{r}) + \hat{\mathbf{G}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') \cdot \mathbf{d}_{eg}$$

Expression of the guided mode dyadic Green's function:

$$\hat{\mathbf{G}}_g(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; \omega_0) = 2\pi i \frac{\omega_0}{v_g} \sum_{b,p} \mathbf{u}_{b,p}(\mathbf{r}'_\perp) \mathbf{u}_{b,p}^*(\mathbf{r}'_\perp) e^{ib\beta_0(z-z')} \Theta(b(z-z'))$$

sum over all propagation directions, b, and polarizations, p.

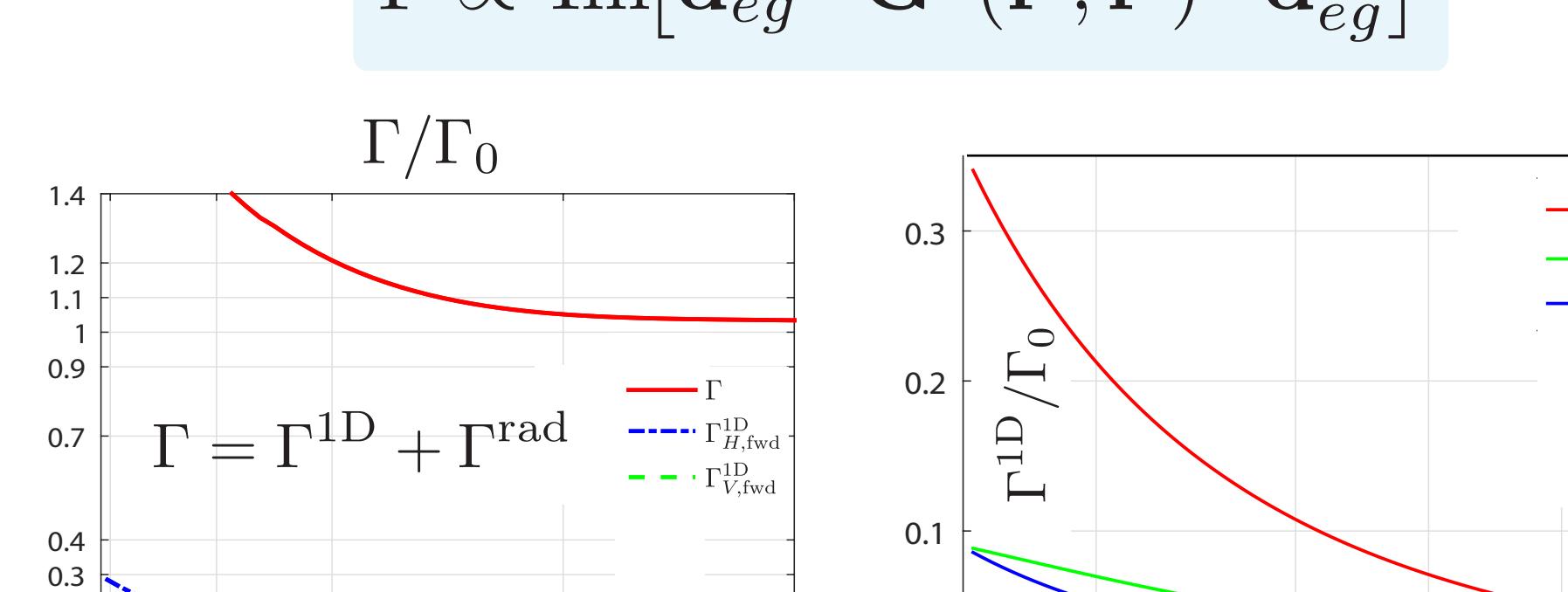
The imaginary part of the guided-mode Green's function tensor is

$$\text{Im} [\hat{\mathbf{G}}_g(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{r}')] = \pi \frac{\omega_{eg}}{v_g} \sum_{b,p} \mathbf{u}_{b,p}(\mathbf{r}') \mathbf{u}_{b,p}^*(\mathbf{r}')$$

modification of the atomic decay rate

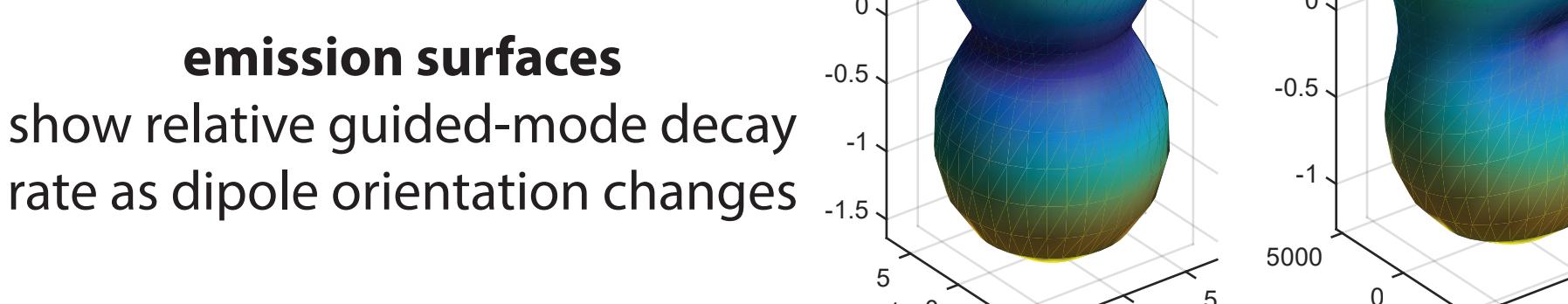
the **total decay rate** of an atom is modified by the presence of the dielectric nanofiber

$$\Gamma \propto \text{Im} [\mathbf{d}_{eg} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{G}}^*(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{r}') \cdot \mathbf{d}_{eg}^*]$$



the **decay rate into the guided modes** Γ^{1D} depends on the orientation of the dipole

emission surfaces show relative guided-mode decay rate as dipole orientation changes



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