

Parameter estimation with correlated photon pairs

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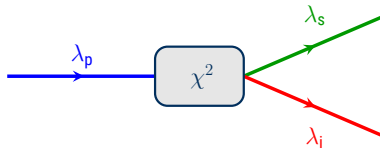
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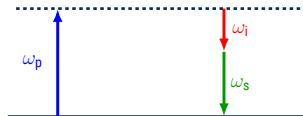
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Motivation

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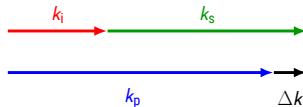


Energy conservation



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

Momentum conservation



$$\vec{k}_p = \vec{k}_s + \vec{k}_i - \Delta \vec{k}$$

Transmittance model

Conventional approach:

$$N_{\text{tot}}^{\text{ref}} = \eta_{\text{idl}} N_{\text{g}} + N_{\text{noise}}^{\text{ref}}$$

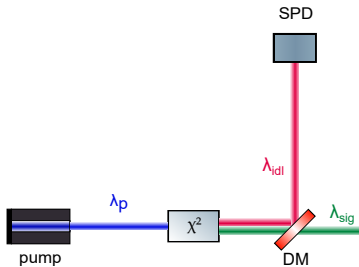
$$N_{\text{tot}}^{\text{sam}} = T \eta_{\text{idl}} N_{\text{g}} + N_{\text{noise}}^{\text{sam}}$$

Coincidence approach:

$$N_{\text{cc}}^{\text{pure,sam}} = T \eta_{\text{idl}} \eta_{\text{sig}} N_{\text{g}},$$

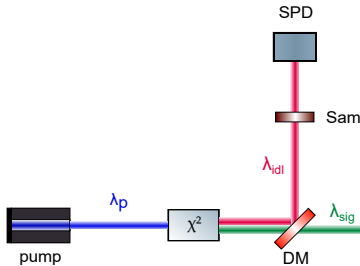
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Conventional approach



$$N_{\text{tot}}^{\text{ref}} = \eta_{\text{idl}} N_g + N_{\text{noise}}^{\text{ref}}$$

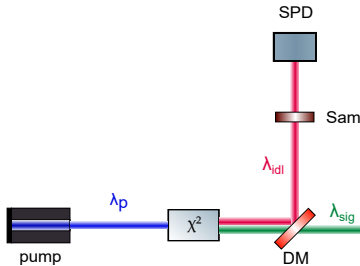
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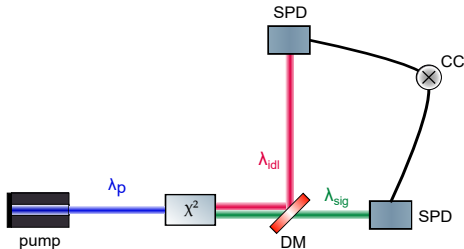


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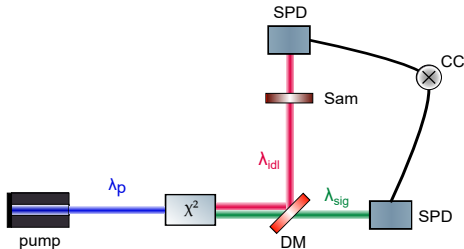
$$\Rightarrow T = \frac{N_{\text{tot}}^{\text{sam}} - N_{\text{noise}}^{\text{sam}}}{N_{\text{tot}}^{\text{ref}} - N_{\text{noise}}^{\text{ref}}}$$

Coincidence approach



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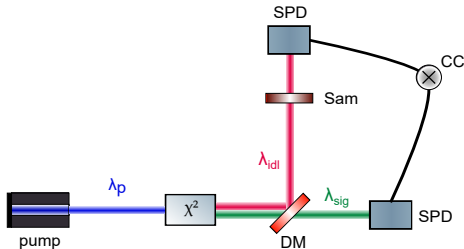
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Transmittance model

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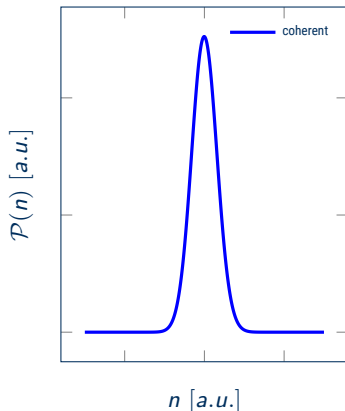
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Photon statistics

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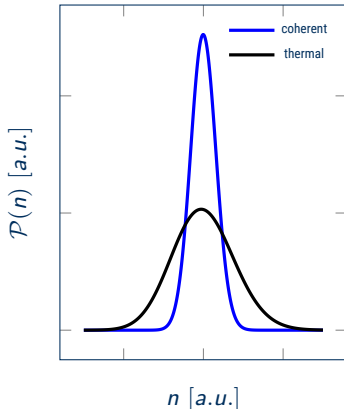


Coherent light:

$$\mathcal{P}(n) = \frac{\langle n \rangle^n}{n!} e^{-\langle n \rangle}$$

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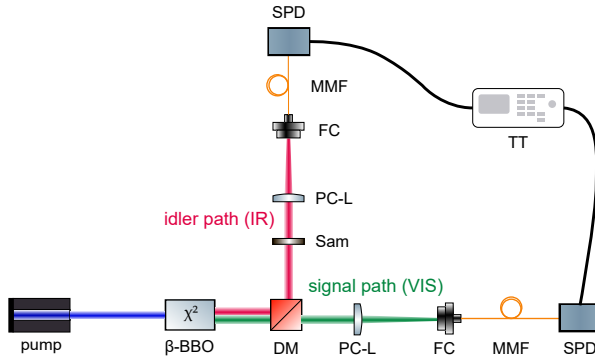
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Thermal light:

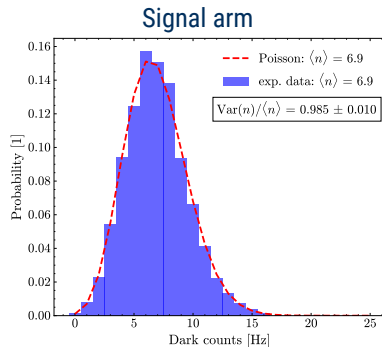
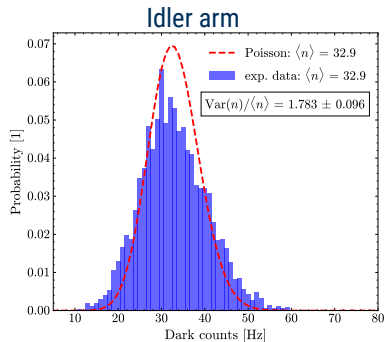
$$\mathcal{P}_m(n) = \frac{(n+m-1)!}{(m-1)! n!} \frac{m^m \langle n \rangle^n}{(m + \langle n \rangle)^{n+m}}$$

$$\text{Var}(n) = \langle n \rangle \left(1 + \frac{\langle n \rangle}{m} \right)$$

Experimental setup



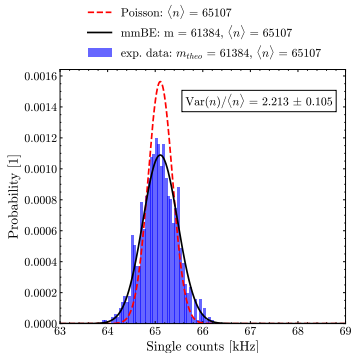
Dark counts



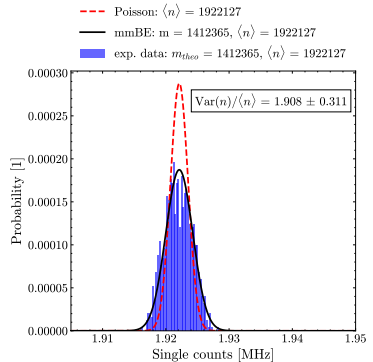
$$\text{Var}(N_{\text{noise}}) = 1.8 \cdot \langle N_{\text{noise}} \rangle$$

Single counts

Idler arm

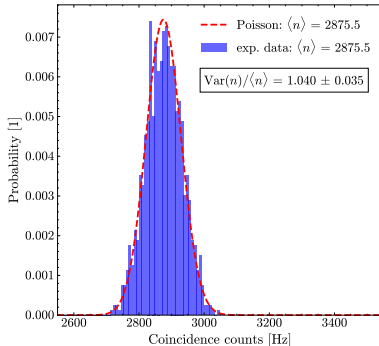


Signal arm



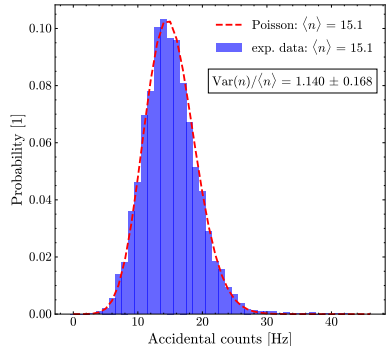
Coincidence counts

Coincidences



$$\text{Var}(N_{\text{cc}}) = \langle N_{\text{cc}} \rangle$$

Accidentals



$$\text{Var}(N_{\text{ac}}) = \langle N_{\text{ac}} \rangle$$

Simulation

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Simulation

Conventional approach:

$$\text{Var}(T) = (\eta_{\text{idl}} N_{\text{g}})^{-2} \left[2.2 \cdot \langle N_{\text{tot}}^{\text{sam}} \rangle + 1.8 \cdot \langle N_{\text{noise}}^{\text{sam}} \rangle + T^2 \left[2.2 \cdot \langle N_{\text{tot}}^{\text{ref}} \rangle + 1.8 \cdot \langle N_{\text{noise}}^{\text{ref}} \rangle \right] \right]$$

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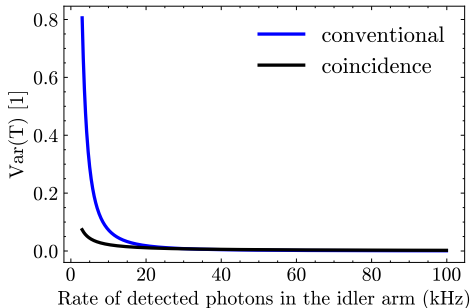
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Simulation



Parameter	Value
η_{idl} (%)	0.09
η_{sig} (%)	2.6
R_{idl} (kHz)	3 - 100
$R_{\text{noise,idl}}$ (kHz)	1000
$R_{\text{noise,sig}}$ (Hz)	7
T (1)	0.9

Summary and Outlook

Git repository

public accessible:

https://git.tpi.uni-jena.de/mstnhsr/latexbeamer_corporatedesign

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- First Level
 - Second Level
 - Third Level has no item mark

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