

# Resource-efficient quantum key distribution with using integrated silicon photonics merged with

## Fully chip-based decoder for polarization- encoding quantum key distribution

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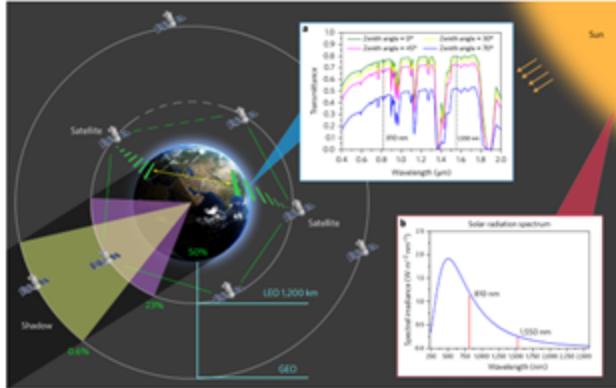
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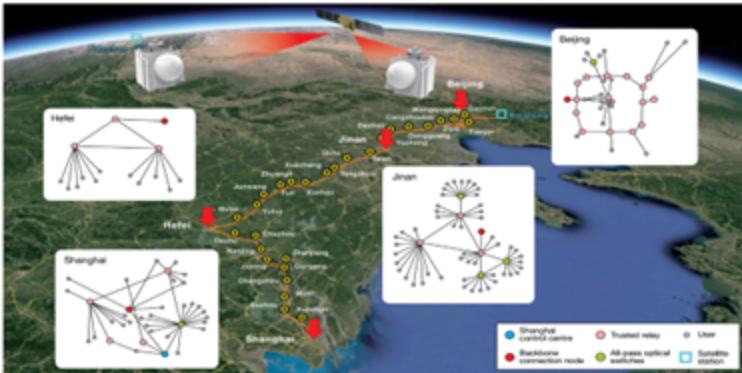
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# QKD Achievements

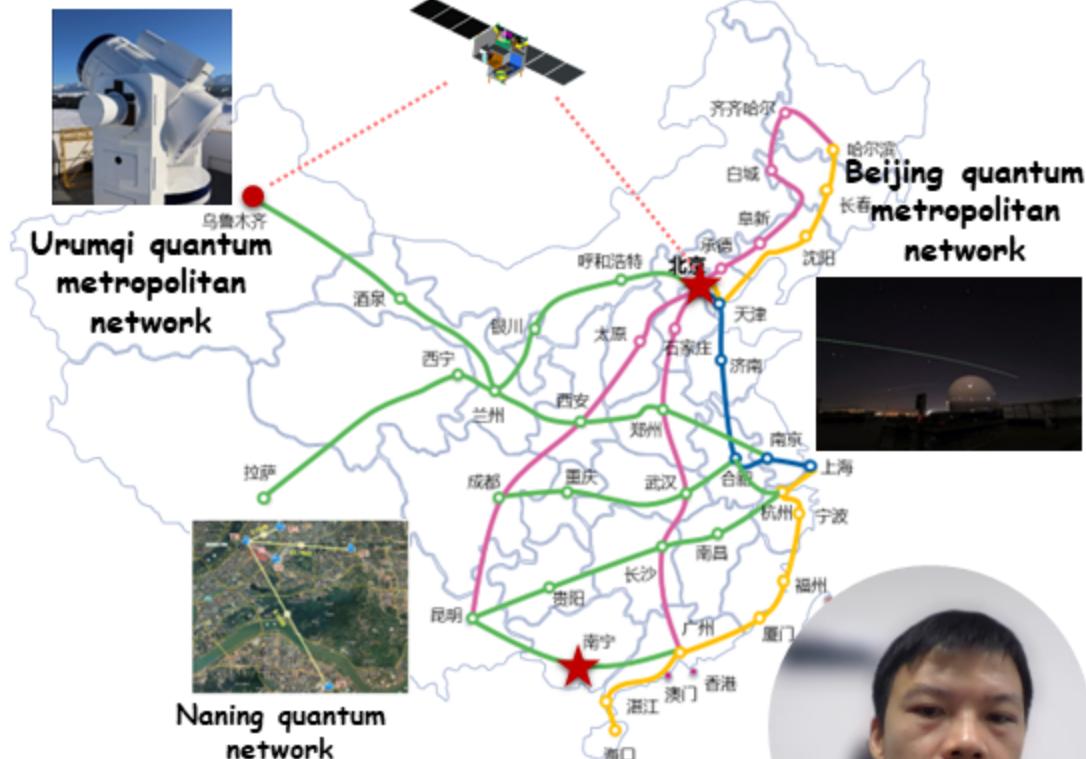


- Global quantum networks based on satellites  
[Nature Photon. 11, 509-513 (2017)]



- Space-to-ground quantum network [Nature 589, 214 (2021)]

## Micius satellite



# Chip-based QKD



## Si

- C. Ma et al., Optica 3, 1274 (2016) (**BB84**)
- P. Sibson et al., Optica 4, 172 (2017) (**COW, BB84**)
- D. Bunandar et al., PRX 8, 021009 (2018) (**BB84 field test**)
- G. Zhang et al., Nat. Photon. 13, 839 (2019) (**CV-QKD**)
- G. Zhang et al J. Lightwave. Technol. 40, 2052-2059 (2022)
- C.-X. Zhu et al Phys. Rev. Appl. 17, 064034 (2022)
- R. Sax, et al Photon. Res. 11, 1007-1014 (2023)

## InP

- P. Sibson et al., Nat. Commun. 8, 13984 (2017) (**COW, BB84, DPS**)
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- T. K. Paraíso, et al, Nature 593, 850-856 (2021) (**BB84 Fi**)

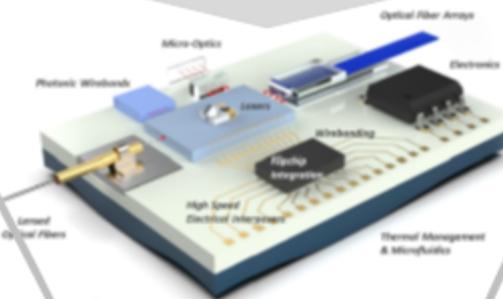


# QKD with silicon photonics

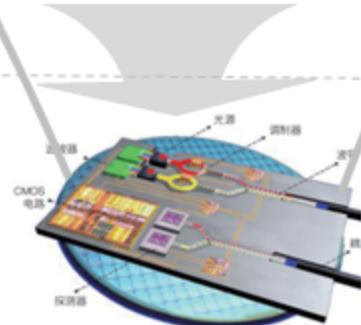
Classical QKD devices



Silicon Photonics (Current)



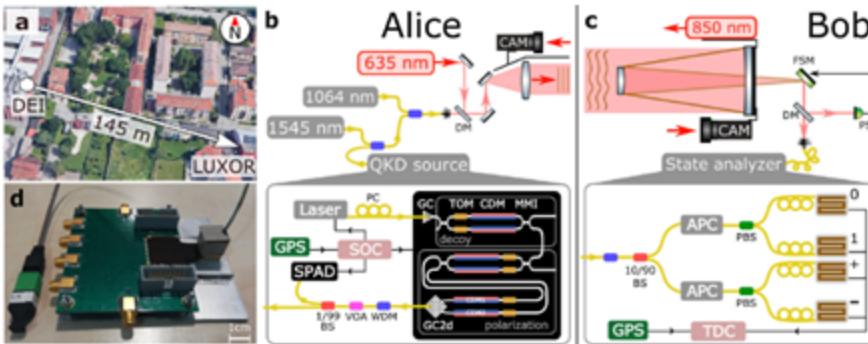
Silicon Photonics (Future)



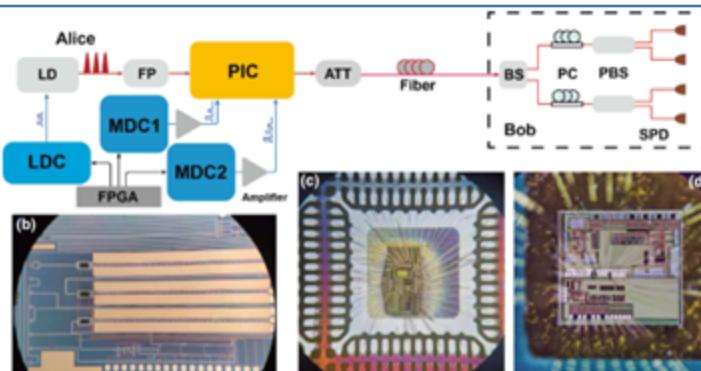
- ✓ Large-scale integration
- ✓ Mature fabrication
- ✓ CMOS Comparability



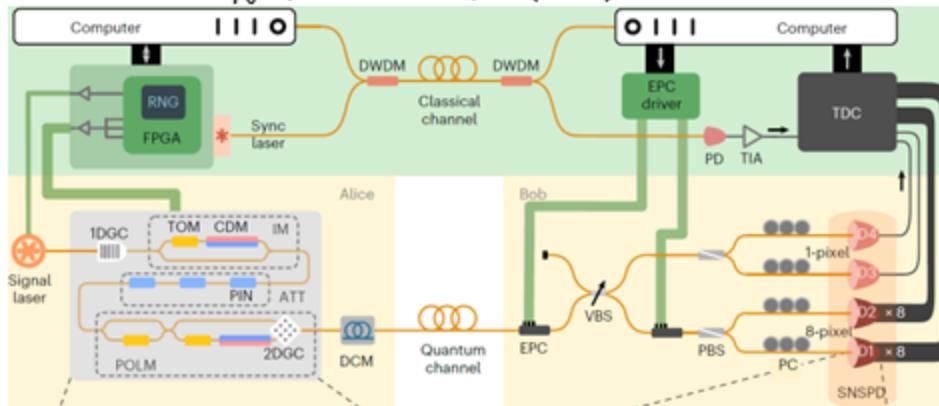
# Silicon-based polarization-encoding QKD



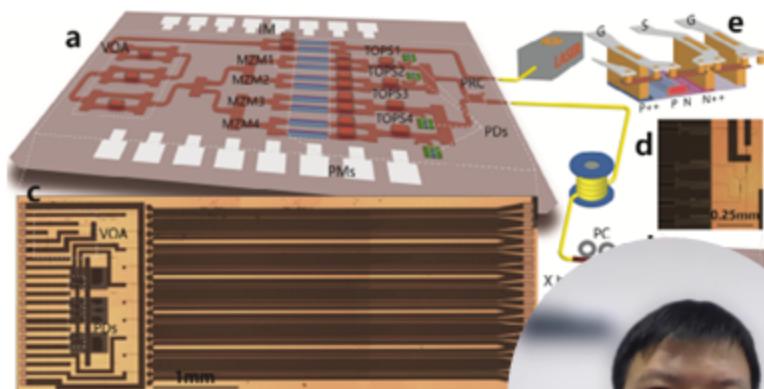
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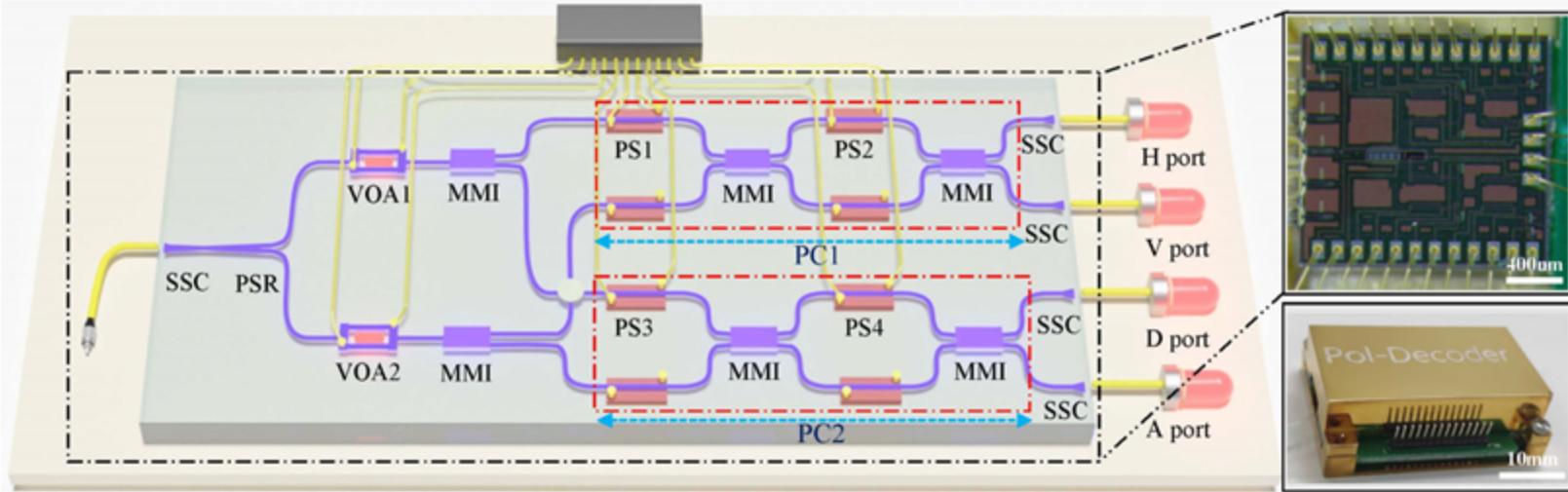


J. Lightwave Technol. 40, 2052



A silicon-based fully integrated decoder have no yet reported!

# Polarization QKD receiver

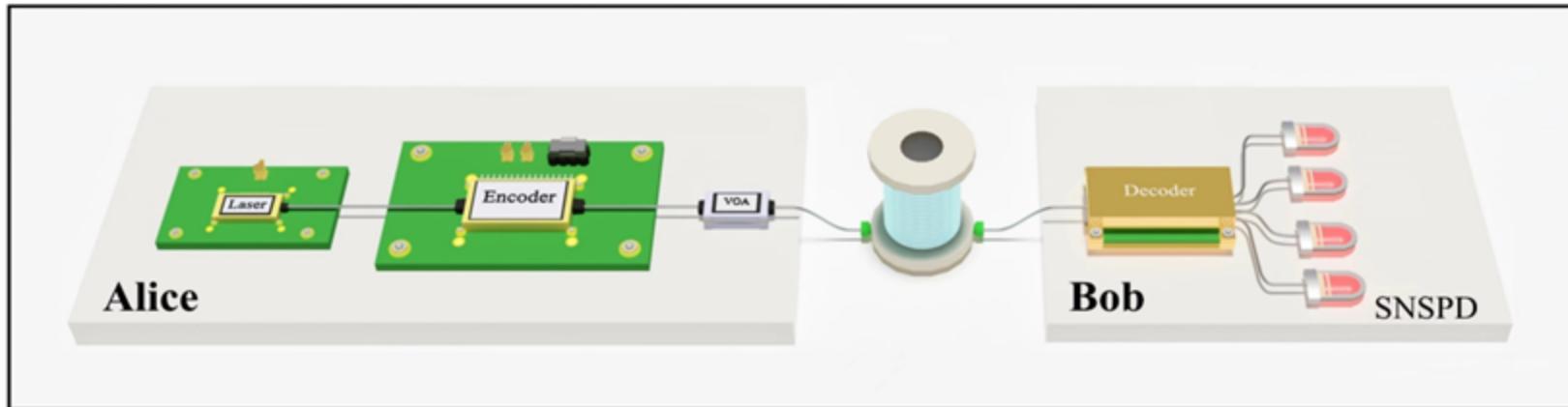


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- ✓ **Size of the packaged device:** 40mm × 22mm × 9mm
- ✓ **Rate of Polarization compensation:** 3kHz
- ✓ **Extinction ratio:** 28dB
- ✓ **Insertion loss:** ~4.6dB

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- **Active compensation of the polarization drift using chip**



# Resource-efficient QKD with integrated chips



- ✓ Transmitter: Pulsed laser, intensity and polarization modulation
- ✓ Receiver: Polarization decoder
- ✓ Electronic control: PCB
- ✓ Detector: Free-running SNSPD, InGaAs, Ge-Si
- ✓ Auxiliary tasks: Synchronization, polarization compensation



# Laser chip

## Thorlabs Semiconductor Manufacturing

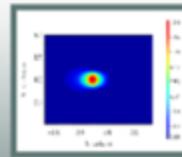
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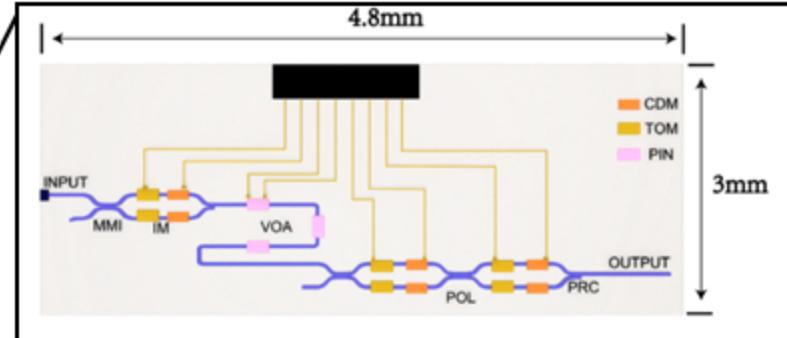
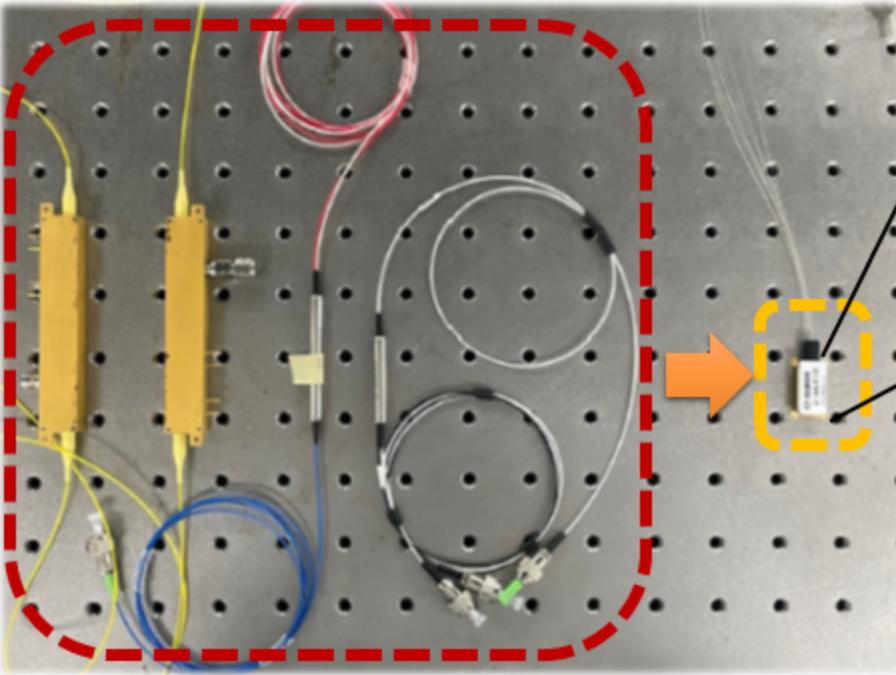
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**Single-Frequency Lasers chip is commercially available**



# Polarization-encoding encoder

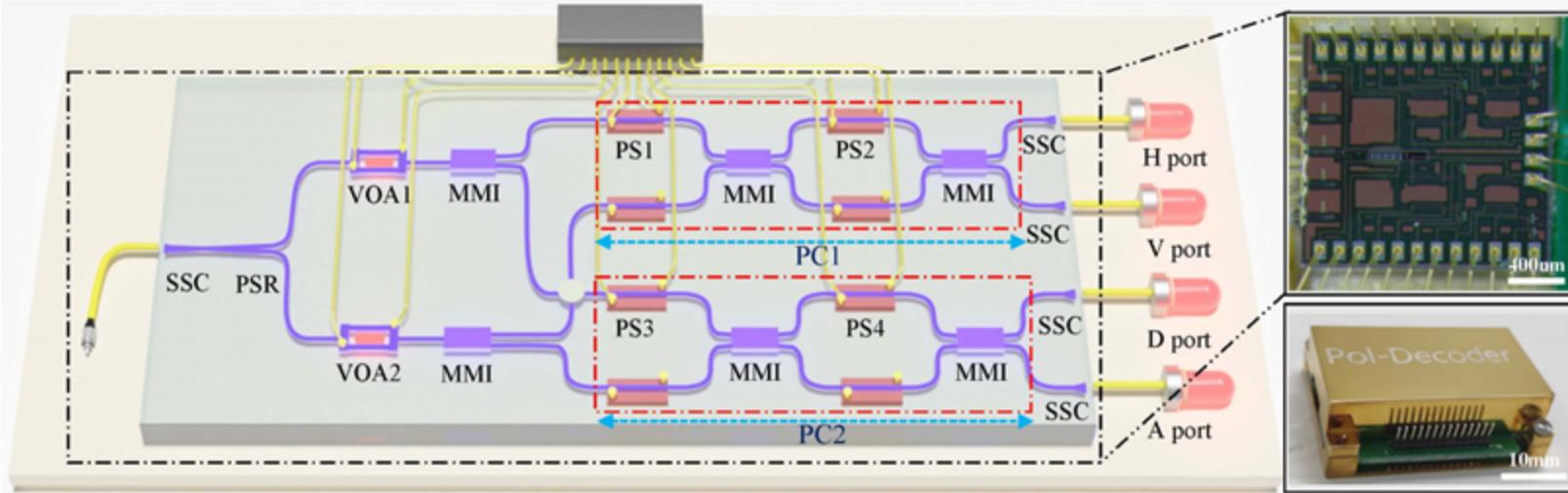


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- ✓ **Size of the chip:** 4.8mm × 3mm
- ✓ **Size of the packaged device:** 24mm × 15mm × 5mm
- ✓ **Intensity modulator ER:** static 30dB, dynamic 20dB@1.25GHz
- ✓ **Polarization ER:** 23dB@1.25GHz



# Polarization QKD receiver

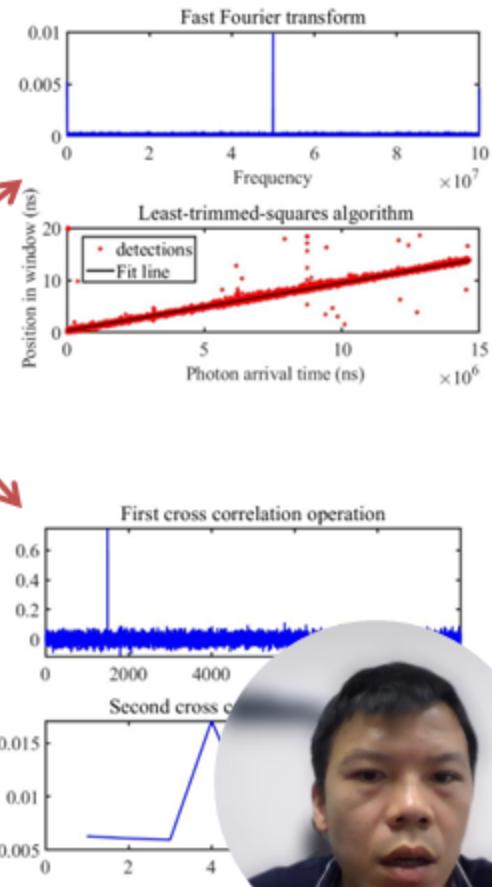
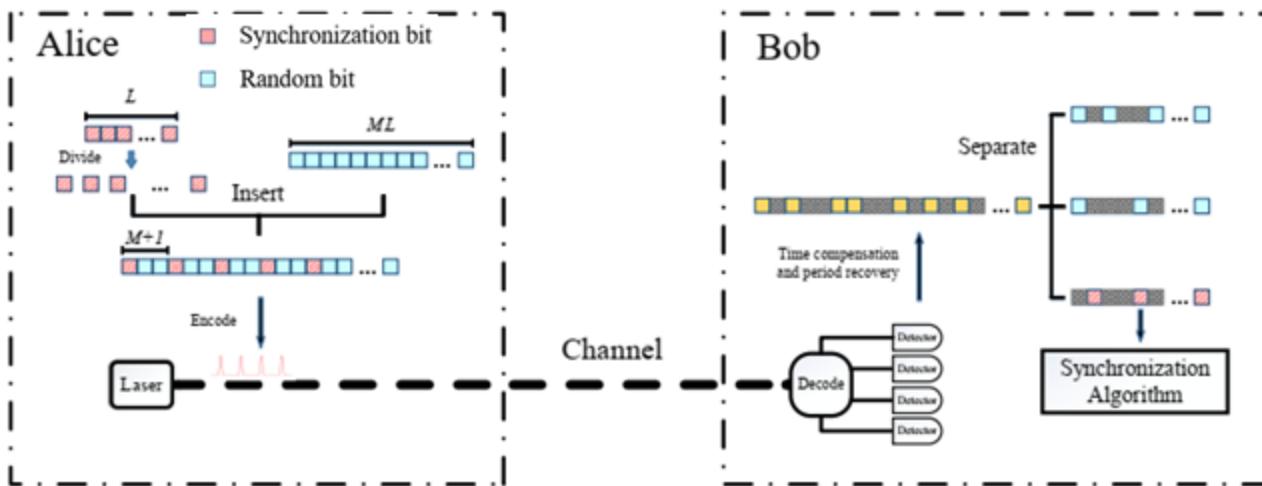


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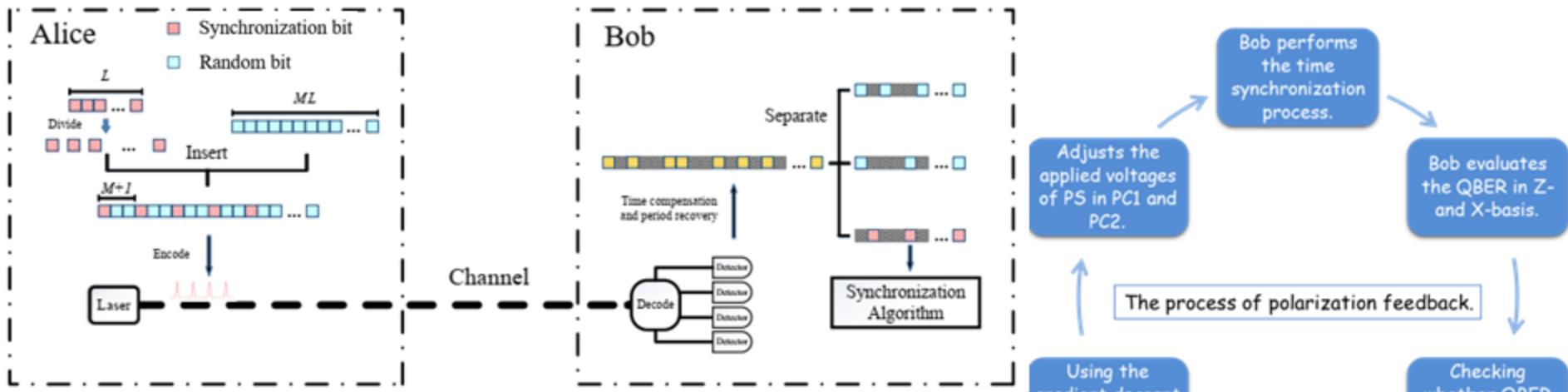


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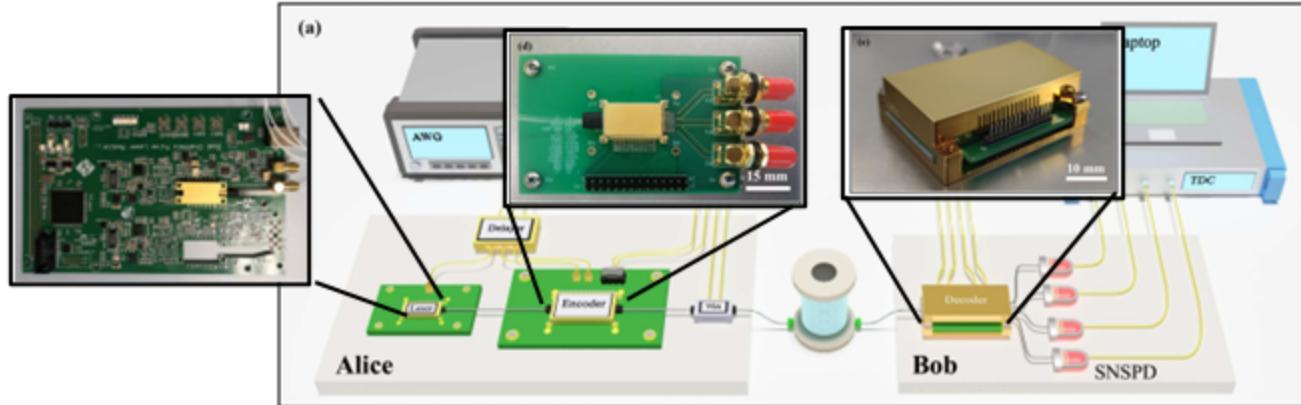
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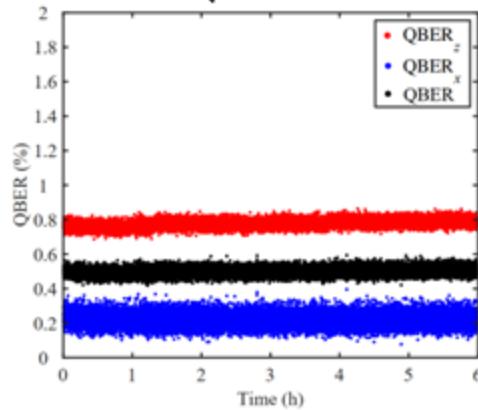
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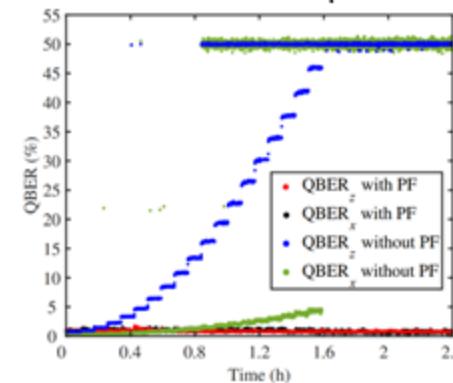
# Resource-efficient BB84 QKD with integrated Chips



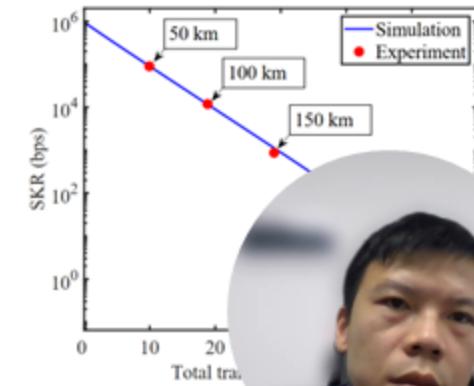
Intrinsic QBER and stability



Polarization compensation



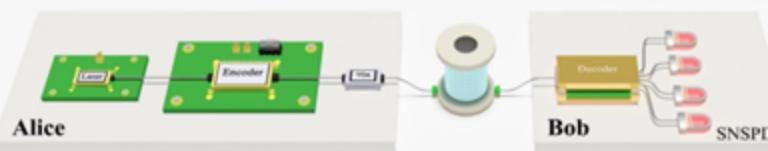
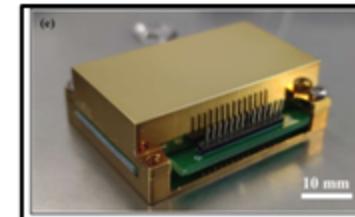
Secure key distribution



# Summary

## ➤ Chip-based QKD devices

- Encoder [Phys. Rev. X 10, 031030 (2020)]: intensity and polarization modulation
- Decoder [Chip, 2, 100039 (2023)]: polarization demodulation and drift compensation



## ➤ QKD demonstrations using STP

- BB84-QKD [Photon. Res. 11, 11]



# Thanks for your attention



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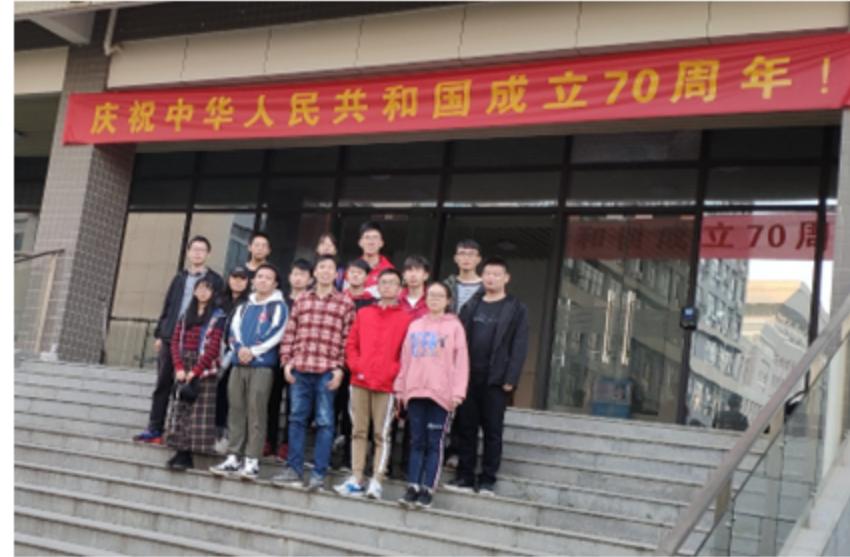


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