HOM Data Analysis

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1 HOM visibility extraction Procedure

The raw HOM visibility is calculated using the formula:

$$\mathcal{V}_{HOM} = 1 - \frac{A_{\parallel}}{A_{\perp}} \tag{1}$$

where A_{\parallel} and A_{\perp} are the normalized areas underneath the central peak for the co- and cross-polarized measurements. The areas are normalized by the average area of the side peaks, excluding the first peaks at \pm 12.5 ns.

To calculate the true two single-photon HOM visibility, the raw HOM visibility is corrected to account for the imperfections in the measurement setup. These imperfections come from the classical visibility of the Mach-Zehnder interferometer and the imbalance in the 50:50 fiber beam splitter. The expression for the corrected HOM visibility is given by:

$$\mathcal{V}_{True} = \frac{1}{(V_{class})^2} (1 - 2g^{(2)}(0)) \left(\frac{R^2 + T^2}{2RT}\right) \mathcal{V}_{Raw}$$
 (2)

Where:

- \bullet V_{class} is the classical visibility of the Mach-Zehnder interferometer.
- $g^{(2)}(0)$ is the second-order correlation function at zero delay.
- ullet R and T are the reflectance and transmittance coefficients of the beam splitter.
- \mathcal{V}_{Raw} is the raw HOM visibility calculated above.