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#### **Abstract**

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Two-Photon Imaging is a well studied fenomena, where we take advantage of the diferent correlations in wich the light can be related to recontruct the image of certain objects. In this Thesis use diferent spatial correlations of a SPDC light source, where we change this correlations changing the pump waist.

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## **List of Abbreviations**

LAH List Abbreviations HereWSF What (it) Stands For

## **Physical Constants**

Speed of Light  $c_0 = 2.99792458 \times 10^8 \,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$  (exact)

## **List of Symbols**

distance

 $\stackrel{m}{W}(J\,s^{-1})$ power

angular frequency rad

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## Introduction and Background

#### 1.1 Nature of Source Light

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#### 1.2 Two-photon Imaging with lens

#### 1.3 Lens less Two-photon Imaging

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#### Theoretical Discussion

#### 2.1 Quantum Imaging

#### 2.2 Light Source

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#### 2.2.1 Biphoton

$$|\Psi\rangle = \int dq_s dq_i d\Omega_s d\Omega_i x \left[\Phi(q_s, \Omega_s; q_i, \Omega_i)\hat{a}^{\dagger}(\Omega_s, q_s)\hat{a}^{\dagger}(\Omega_i, q_i) + \Phi(q_i, \Omega_i; q_s, \Omega_s)\hat{a}^{\dagger}(\Omega_s, q_s)\hat{a}^{\dagger}(\Omega_i, q_i)\right] |0\rangle$$
(2.1)

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Where  $\Phi(q_s, \Omega_s; q_i, \Omega_i)$  are the mode fuctions or Biphotons, a fuctions that contain all the information about the correlations.  $\hat{a}^{\dagger}(\Omega_n, q_n)$  the creation of a photon with tranverse momentum  $q_n$  and frequency  $\Omega_n$ 

#### 2.2.2 Mode Function

$$\Phi(q_s, \Omega_s; q_i, \Omega_i) \propto E_p(q_p, \Delta_0) B_p(\Omega_p) C_{spatial}(q_s) C_{spatial}(q_i) x \mathcal{F}_{frequency}(\Omega_s) \mathcal{F}_{frequency}(\Omega_i) sinc\left(\frac{\Delta_k \mathcal{L}}{2}\right)$$
(2.2)

where  $B_p(\omega_p^0 + \Omega_p)$  and  $E_p(q_p)$  are the frequency and transverse momentum distribution of the pump.  $C_{spatial}(q_n)$  spatial filtering.  $\mathcal{F}_{frequency}(\Omega_n)$  frequency filter function.

#### 2.2.3 Phase matching conditions

$$\Delta_0 = q_s^y \cos \varphi_s + q_i^y \cos \varphi_i + k_s \sin \varphi_s - k_i \sin \varphi_i; \tag{2.3}$$

$$\Delta_k = k_p - k_s cos \varphi_s - k_i cos \varphi_i - q_s^y sin \varphi_s + q_i^y sin \varphi_i + (q_s^x + q_i^x) tan \rho_0 cos \alpha + \Delta_0 tan \rho_0 sin \alpha$$
(2.4)

where  $k_n = [(\omega_n^0 n_n/c)^2 - |q_n|^2]^{\frac{1}{2}}$  is the longitudinal wavevector inside the crystal.  $\varphi_s$  and  $\varphi_i$  are the propagation directions of the generated photons inside the crystal with respect to the pump direction z and  $\alpha$  is the azimuthal angle.

#### 2.2.4 Gaussian approximations

Taking into account the Gaussian nature of the pump, that's  $E_p(q_p^x, q_p^y) \approx exp\left[-\frac{w_p^2}{4}(q_p^{x^2} + q_p^{y^2})\right]$ .

approximating the sinc function by a Gaussian function with the same width at  $\frac{1}{e^2}$  of its maximum, i.e.,  $sinc(x) \approx exp(-\gamma x^2)$  with  $\gamma$  equal 0.193.

$$\mathcal{F}_{frequency}(\Omega_n) \approx exp\left[-\frac{\Omega_n^2}{4\sigma_n^2}\right]$$
 (2.5)

$$\tilde{\Phi}(q_s, q_i) = \int d\Omega_s d\Omega_i \mathcal{F}_s(\Omega_s) \mathcal{F}_i(\Omega_i) \Phi(q_s, \Omega_s; q_i, \Omega_i)$$
(2.6)

The Biphoton then takes a quadratic form:

$$\tilde{\Phi}(q_s, q_i) = Nexp\left[-\frac{1}{2}x^T A x + ib^T x\right]$$
(2.7)

where N is a normalization constant, x is a 4-dimensional vector defined as  $x = (q_s^x, q_s^y, q_i^x, q_i^y)$ , A is a 4 x 4 real-valued, symmetric, positive definite matrix and b is a 4-dimensional vector. A and b are defined from the phase-matching conditions of the SPDC process.  $x^T$  and  $b^T$  denote the transpose of x and b. A and b are functions that depend of all the relevant parameters in the experiment such as the length of the crystal L, pump waist  $w_p$ , creation angles inside the crystal  $\varphi_n$  and the width of the spectral filter  $\sigma_n$ .

A way to quantify the degree of spatial correlation we shall define 'correlation parameter':

$$K^{\lambda} = \frac{C_{si}^{\lambda}}{\sqrt{C_{ss}^{\lambda}C_{ii}^{\lambda}}} \tag{2.8}$$

calculated for each direction  $(\lambda = x, y)$  from the covariance matrix  $C^{\lambda}$  with elements  $C_{kj}^{\lambda} = \langle q_k^{\lambda} q_j^{\lambda} \rangle - \langle q_k^{\lambda} \rangle \langle q_j^{\lambda} \rangle$ .

#### 2.2.5 Fresnel Propagator

Fresnel Propagator:  $h(r,z)=(-\frac{i}{\lambda z})e^{(i\frac{2\pi z}{\lambda})}\Psi(r,z)$  with  $\Psi(r,z)=e^{(i\frac{\pi}{\lambda z})r^2}$ . Thin-lens transfer function  $L_f(r)=\Psi(r,-f)$ 

$$G = \int d^2r_1 \int d^2r_0 h(r_f - r_1, f) L_f(r_1) h(r_1 - r_0, f)$$
 (2.9)

The propagation is done by determining the Green function of the optical path by which the beam will travel. The biphoton function in terms of transverse momenta  $\Phi_1(q_s,q_i)$  after traveling through two arbitrary optical paths can be expressed in terms of the corresponding Green functions and the initial biphoton function  $\Phi(q_s,q_i)$  as:

$$\Phi_1(q_s, q_i) = G_s(q_s, r_1)G_i(q_i, r_2)\Phi(q_s, q_i)$$
(2.10)

$$\Phi_1(r_1, r_2) = \int d^2q_s d^2q_i \Phi_1(q_s, q_i)$$
 (2.11)

Taking advantage of the 2-F system as a Fourier-Transform to reduce the amount of calculations. Solving 2.9 over  $r_0$  and  $r_1$  we have:

$$G(q, r_f) = Ce^{\frac{i\pi}{\lambda f}r_f^2} e^{\frac{i\lambda f}{4\pi}q^2} \delta(q - \frac{2\pi}{\lambda f}r_f)$$
 (2.12)

where C is a complex constant that depends only on  $\lambda = 2\pi c$  and f. Then we can define the Green Functions for each path:

$$G_1(q_s, r_1) = G(q_s, r_1)xT(r_1)$$
 (2.13)

$$G_2(q_i, r_2) = G(q_i, r_2)$$
 (2.14)

Where  $T(r_1)$  is the transfer function of the object.

Gathering all the previous results we can obtain  $\Phi_1(r_1,r_2)=C^2T(r_1)\Phi(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda f}r_1,\frac{2\pi}{\lambda f}r_2)$ , which describes the biphoton at the planes of the object and the scanning detector. It shows that the biphoton at the 2F plane in terms of  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  has the same form as the biphoton at the output face of the crystal with the relationship  $q=\frac{2\pi}{\lambda f}r$ . This allows to computationally simulate the biphoton at the 2-F plane by using Eq 2.7 without the need to computationally simulate its propagation through the 2-F system.

We are collecting all the light that interacts with the object by the means of a bucket detector, this from the mathematical point of view leave us with:  $\Phi_1(r_2) = C^2 \int d^2r_1T(r_1)\Phi(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda f}r_1,\frac{2\pi}{\lambda f}r_2)$  The coincidence counts that will be measured by the Detectors will be proportional to the magnitude square of the resulting biphoton function  $\Phi_1(r_2)$ .

$$S(r_2) \propto |\int d^2r_1 T(r_1) \Phi(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda f} r_1, \frac{2\pi}{\lambda f} r_2)|^2$$
 (2.15)

For non-ideal forms of  $\Phi(q_s,q_i)$  we have the relation between  $\Phi(q)\to\Phi(r)$  for a 2F system, Hence:  $\Phi(r)=\frac{1}{\sqrt{\det(\Sigma)(2\pi)^4}}e^{-\frac{1}{2}r^T\Sigma^{-1}r}e^{ibr}$ 

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{sx}^2 & Cov(x_s, y_s) & Cov(x_s, x_i) & Cov(x_s, y_i) \\ Cov(y_s, x_s) & \sigma_{sy}^2 & Cov(y_s, x_i) & Cov(y_s, y_i) \\ Cov(y_i, x_s) & Cov(x_i, y_s) & \sigma_{iy}^2 & Cov(x_i, y_i) \\ Cov(y_i, x_s) & Cov(y_i, y_s) & Cov(y_i, x_i) & \sigma_{iy}^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### 2.3 Spatial Correlations

### **Experimental Setup**

#### 3.1 SPDC Setup

#### 3.2 Spatial Correlations Measurement Setup

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#### 3.3 Two-Photon Imaging Setup

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### **Results**

#### 4.1 Experimental Correlations

**4.1.1**  $w_p = ?$ 

#### 4.2 Two-Photon Images

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- 4.2.3 mask3

## **Discussions and Conclusion**

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