

# Quantum Non-Gaussian Optomechanics

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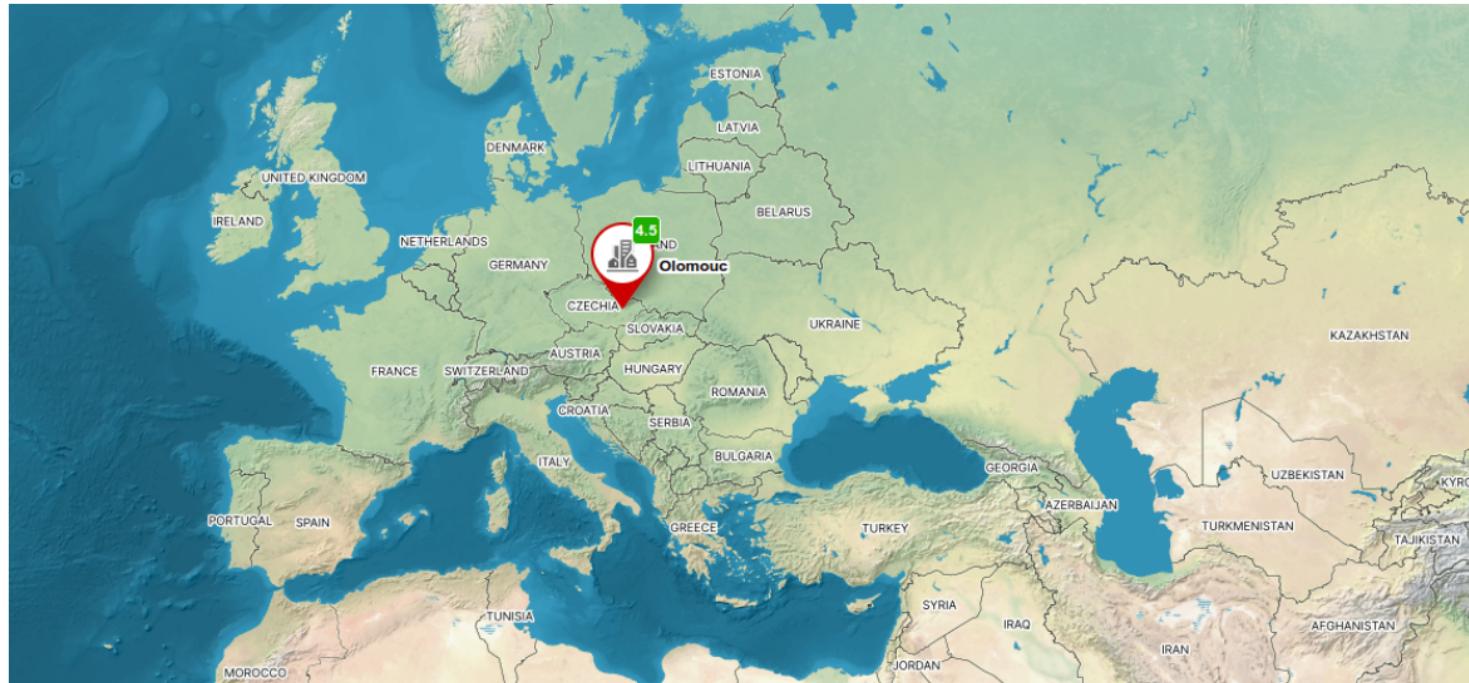
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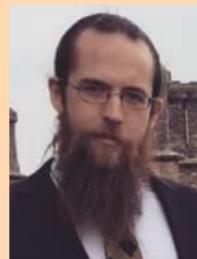


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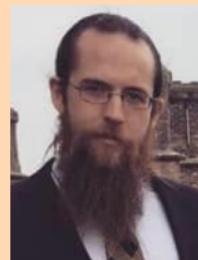


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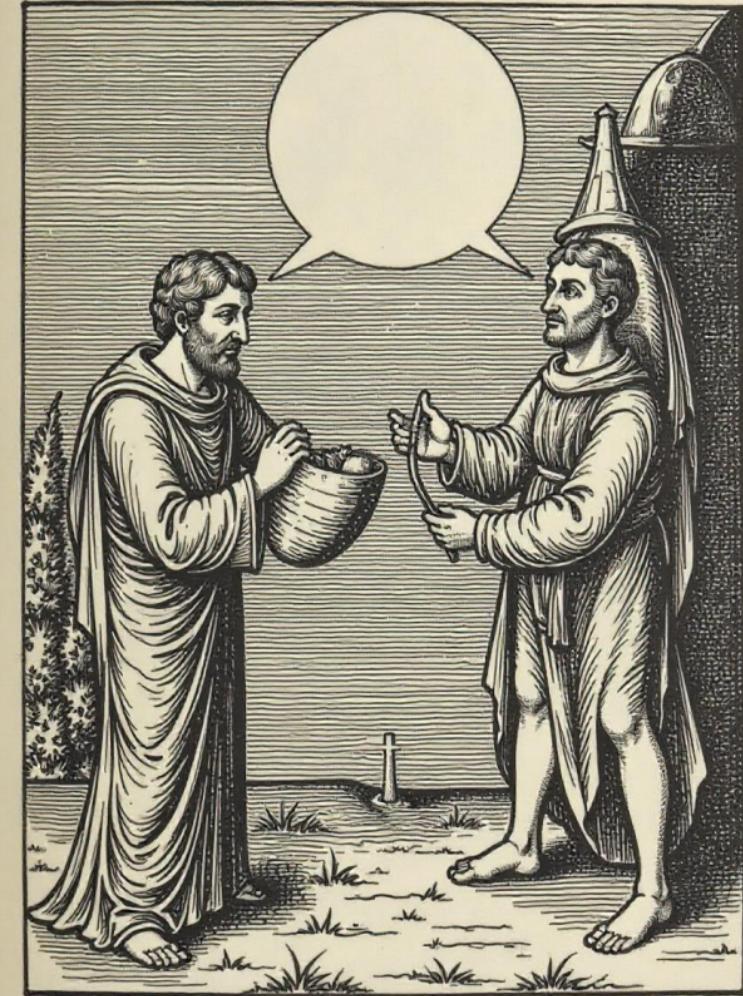
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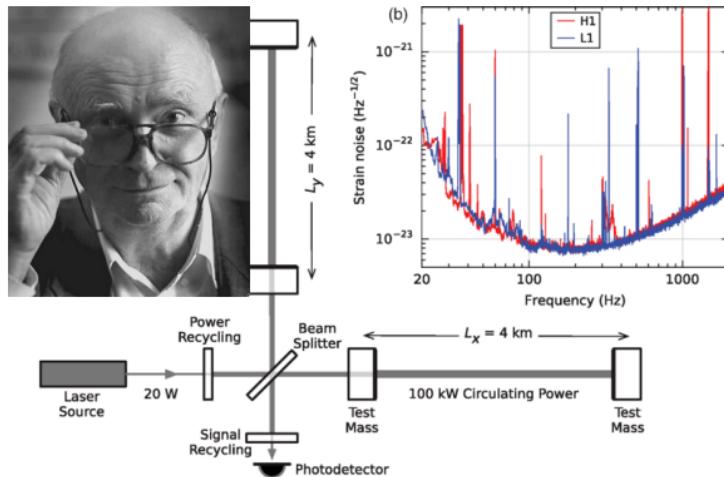
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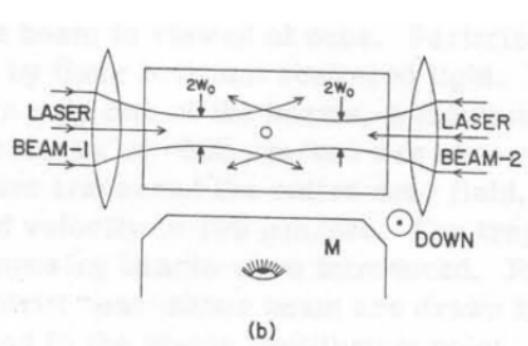
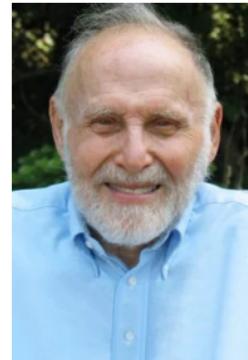


# Quantum Optomechanics



Braginsky & Manukin, Soviet JETP **25**, 653 (1967)

Right img: B. P. Abbott et al., PRL **116**, 061102 (2016)



A. Ashkin, PRL **24**, 156 (1970)

$$\mathcal{H} = \omega_{\text{mech}} a_m^\dagger a_m + \omega_{\text{cav}} a_L^\dagger a_L + g(a_m + a_m^\dagger)(a_L + a_L^\dagger).$$

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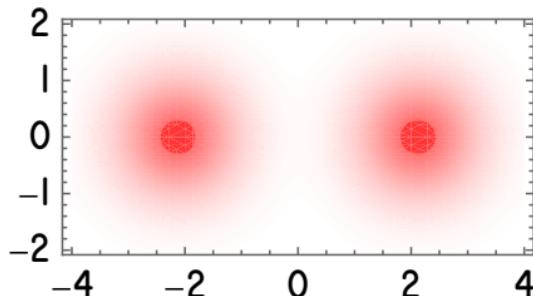
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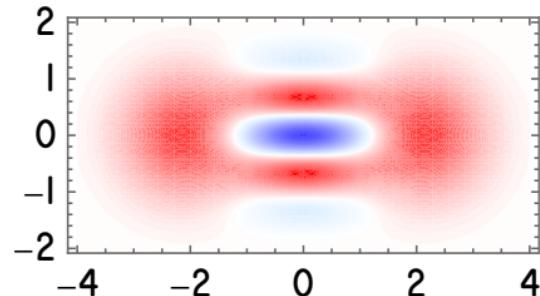
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Quantum NG state

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# Gaussian vs Quantum non-Gaussian states

## Advantages of QNG states

- ★ Universal quantum computing
- ★ Quantum sensing
- ★ Fundamental studies

QNG is a resource

F. Albarelli *et al.*, Phys. Rev. A **98**, 052350 (2018)

M. Walschaers, PRX Quantum **2**, 030204 (2021)

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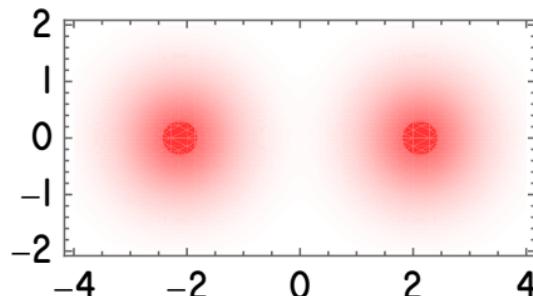
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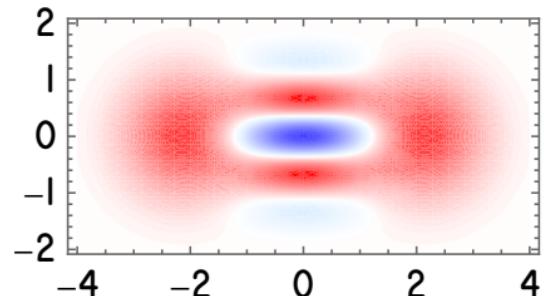
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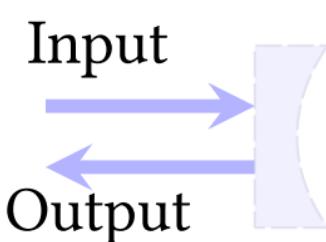


# Routes to quantum non-Gaussianity in optomechanics

Add a nonlinear element

$$\hat{H}_P \propto \Omega_m (\hat{p}^2 + \hat{x}^2) + \alpha(t) V(\hat{x})$$

(a)



Nonlinear potential of mechanical motion

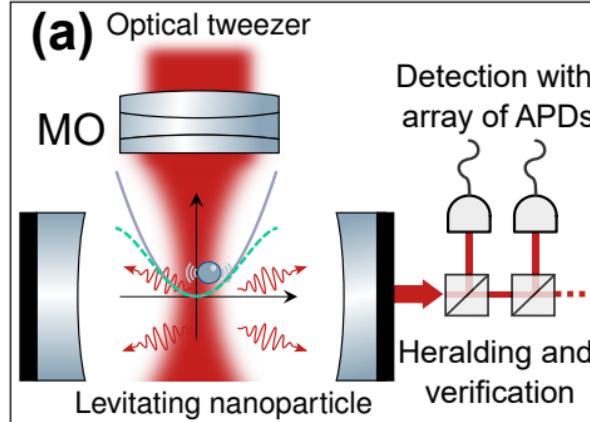
AR, R. Filip, Npj Quantum Inf 7, 120 (2021)

D.W. Moore, AR, R. Filip, NJP 21, 113050 (2019)

We don't consider here upload of QNG states

AR, R. Filip, Sci. Rep. 7, 46764 (2017)

Use non-linear detection



Counting photons

AR, R. Filip, Quantum Sci. Technol. 10, 015014 (2024)

F. Bemani, AR, R. Filip, Submitted , (2024)

# Verification of quantum non-Gaussianity (QNG)

QNG  
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Linear Gaussian Dynamics



Intermediate control



Universal Quantum Control



We need better figures of merit than fidelity

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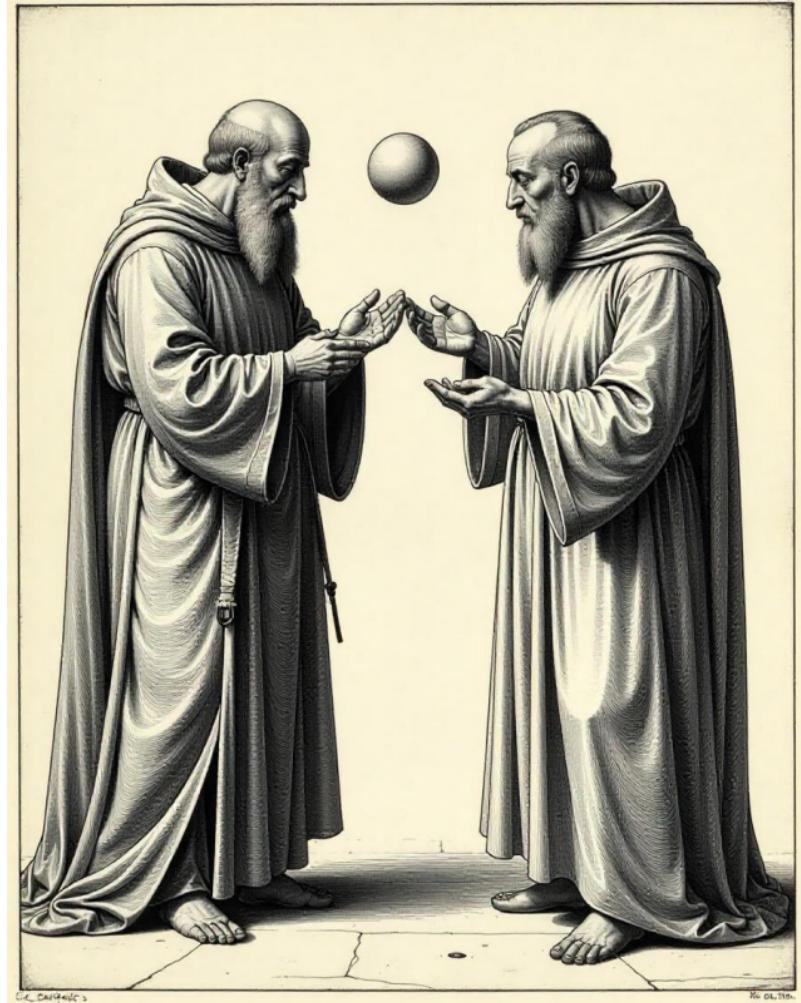
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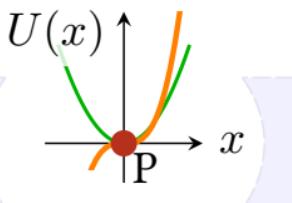
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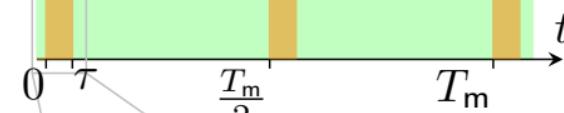
Output



## Periodic Temporal Dynamics

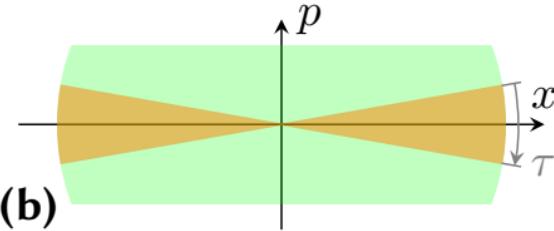
$$\alpha(t)$$

(c)



## Phase Space Evolution

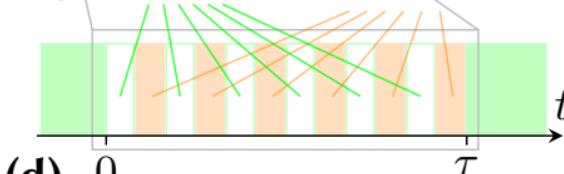
(b)



## Suzuki-Trotter Simulation

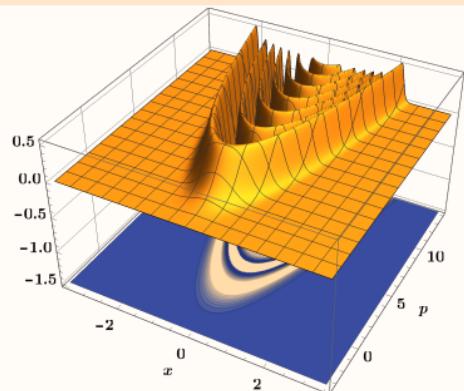
$$e^{-i\hat{H}_{HO}\tau/N} \quad e^{-iV(\hat{x})\tau/N}$$

(d)



# Figures of merit

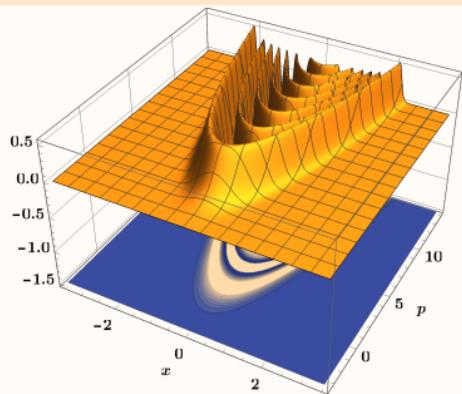
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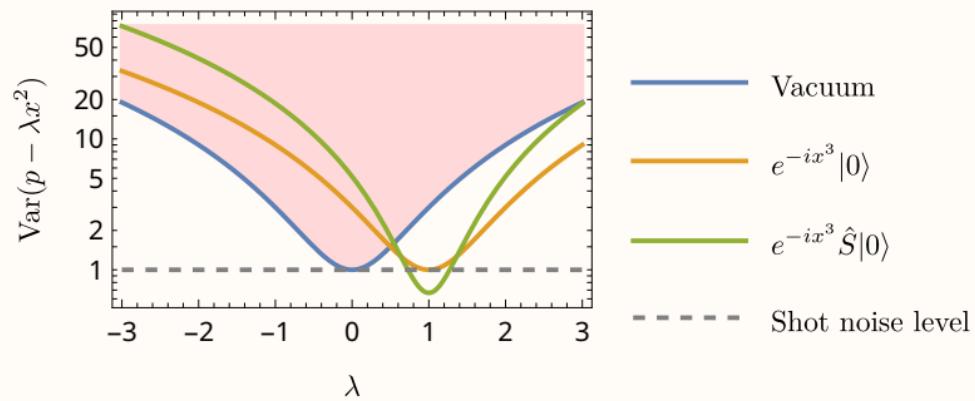
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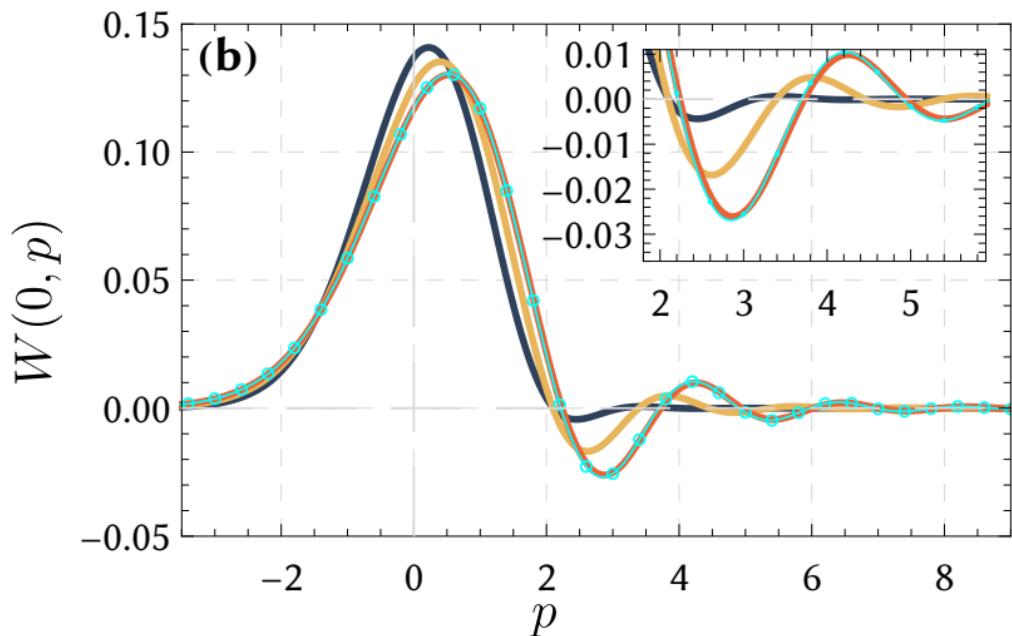
$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ p \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\exp[-i\gamma x^3]} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ p + \gamma x^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Nonlinear squeezing

$$\sigma_3(\lambda; \rho) = \text{Var}_\rho(\hat{p} - \lambda \hat{x}^2).$$



## Nonlinear potential for a levitated nanoparticle

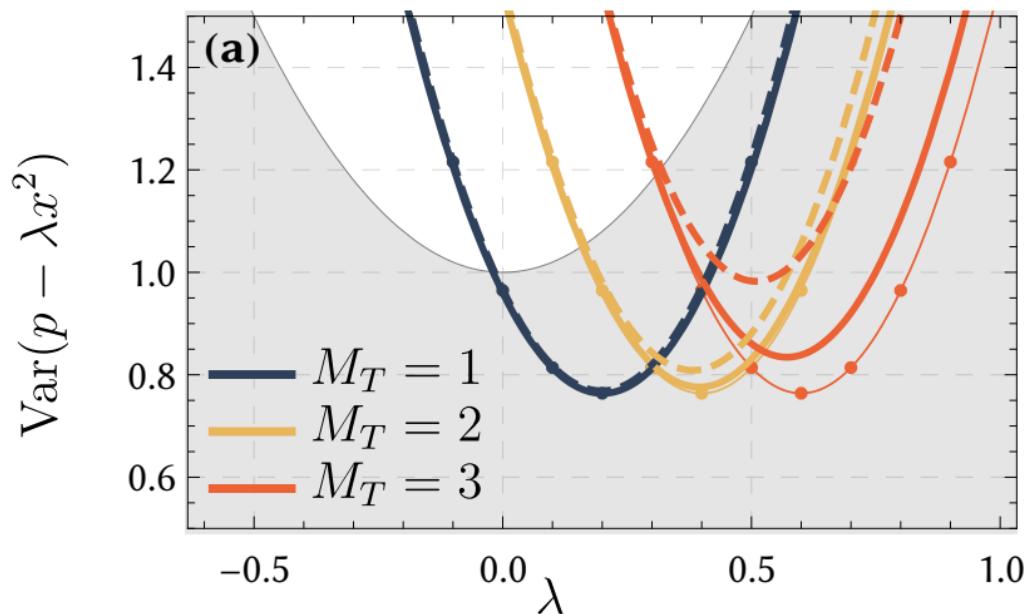


Wigner functions

Poor-man's fidelity (red &amp; cyan)

$$4\pi \int dx dy W_{\text{red}}(x, y) W_{\text{cyan}}(x, y) = 0.9877.$$

## Nonlinear potential for a levitated nanoparticle



### Nonlinear variance

$$v_3 \equiv \text{Var}(\hat{p} - \lambda \hat{x}^2)$$

Compare with conventional squeezing:

$$\begin{aligned} v_2 &\equiv \text{Var}(\hat{x} \cos \theta + \hat{p} \sin \theta) \\ &= \sin^2 \theta \cdot \text{Var}(\hat{p} + \lambda \hat{x}), \end{aligned}$$

with  $\lambda = \cot \theta$ .

## Related works about levitated NPs in nonlinear potentials (currently all theory)

### Palacký University, cubic potential, multiple periods

AR, R. Filip, Npj Quantum Inf 7, 120 (2021) (arxiv 2019)

### University of Vienna: "Super Mario", cubic potential, short pulse

L. Neumeier *et al.*, PNAS 121, e2306953121 (2024) (arxiv 2022)

### University of Innsbruck, more complex potentials

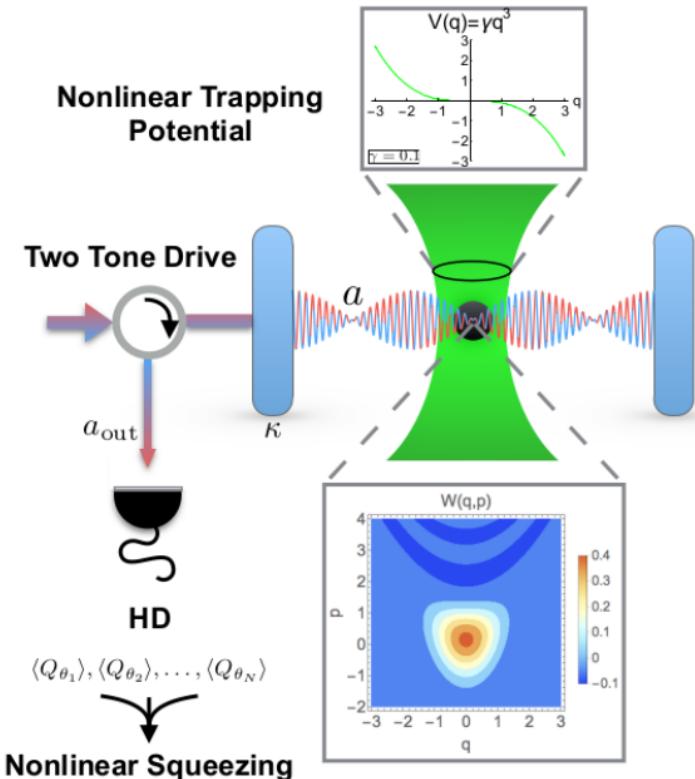
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A. Riera-Campeny *et al.*, Quantum 8, 1393 (2024)



# Detecting Nonlinear Squeezing



Approximate cubic phase state in mechanics

$$e^{i\gamma q^3} \hat{S} |0\rangle.$$

Pulsed QND interaction

$$H_{int} \propto x_{light}(q \cos \phi + p \sin \phi).$$

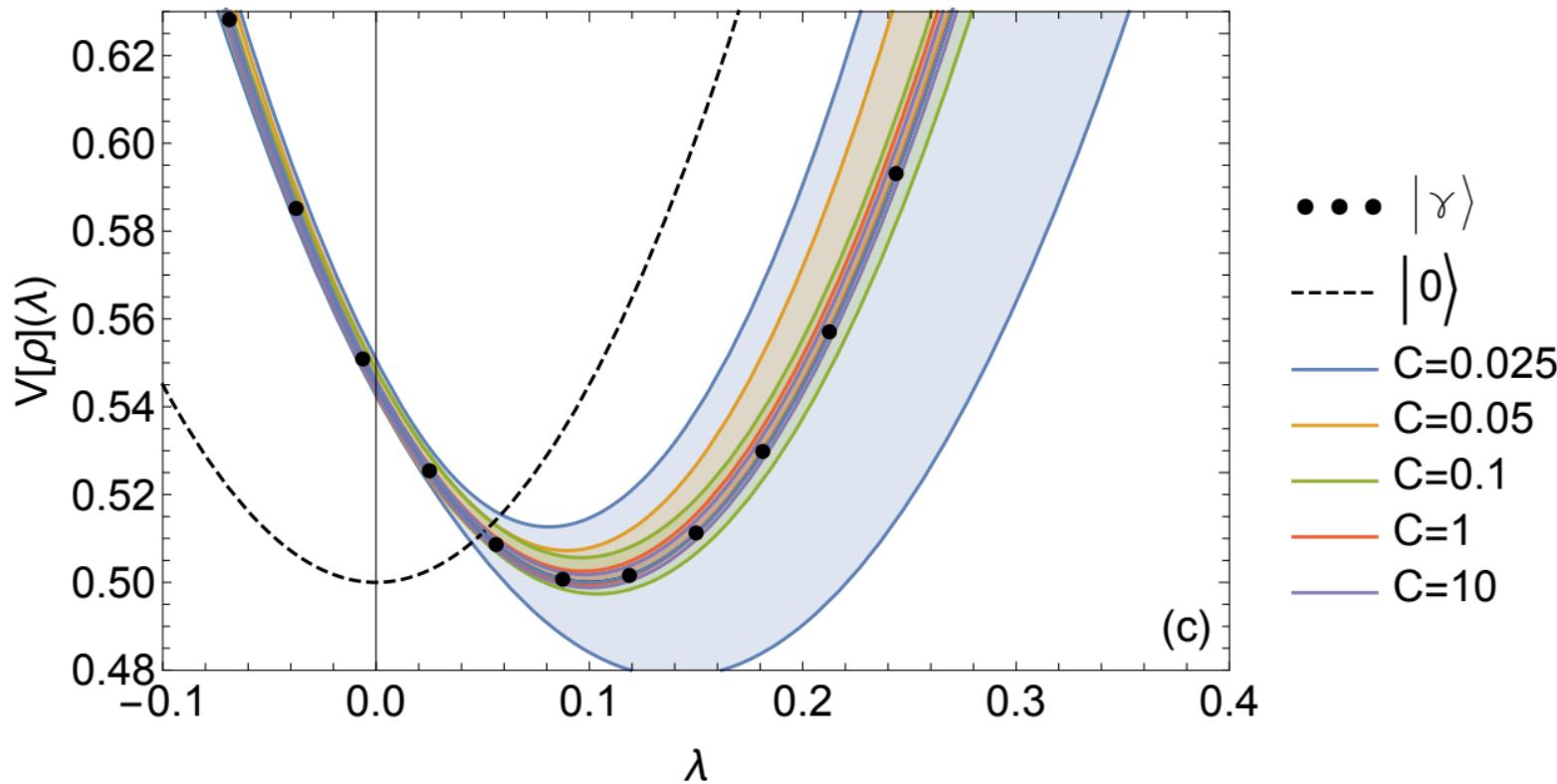
Detect leaking light

Estimate nonlinear variance

$$q_{NL} = p - \lambda x^2 \Rightarrow \text{Var}[q_{NL}]$$

D.W. Moore, **AR**, R. Filip, NJP **21**, 113050 (2019)

$$\text{Evaluation } V[\rho](\lambda) = \text{Tr}(\rho[\Delta(p - \lambda x^2)]^2)$$



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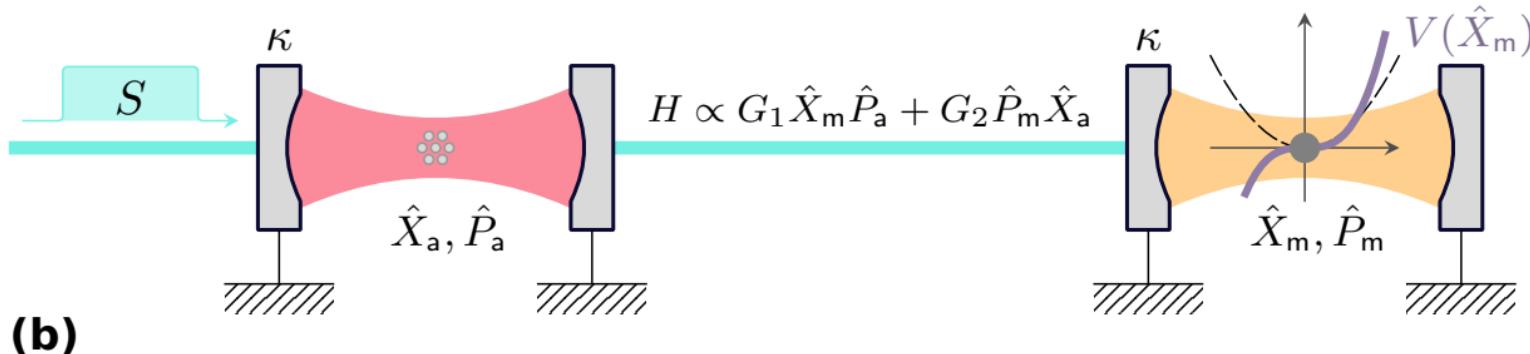
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## Broadcasting Protocol



We have

- ★ Gaussian interactions  $\hat{H} \propto \hat{Q}_a \hat{Q}_m$
- ★ Nonlinearity in mechanics

$$\exp[-i\gamma \hat{X}_m^3]$$

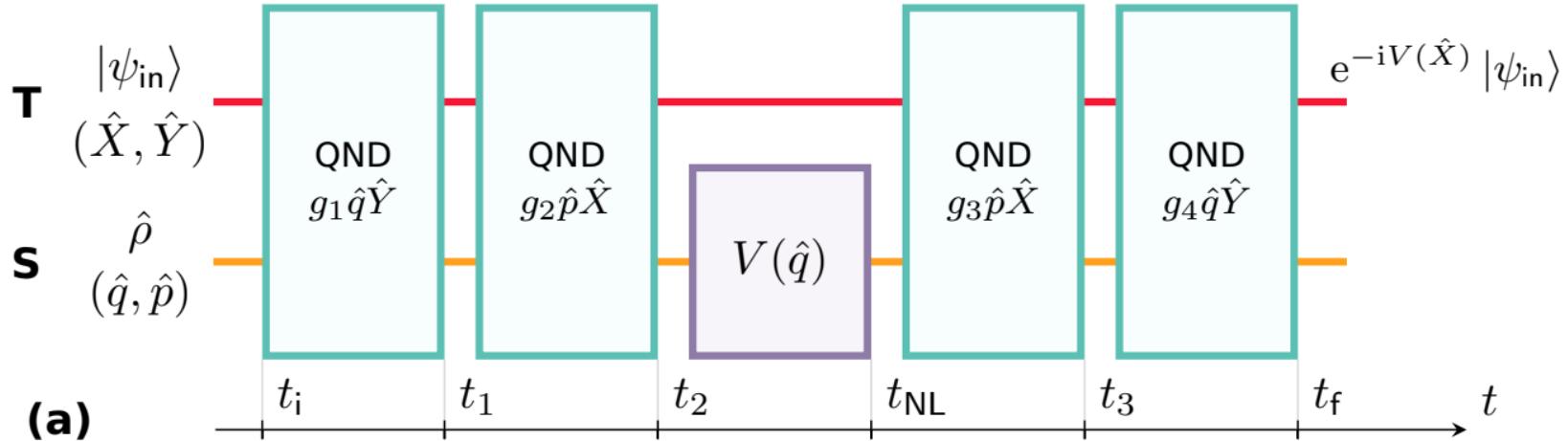
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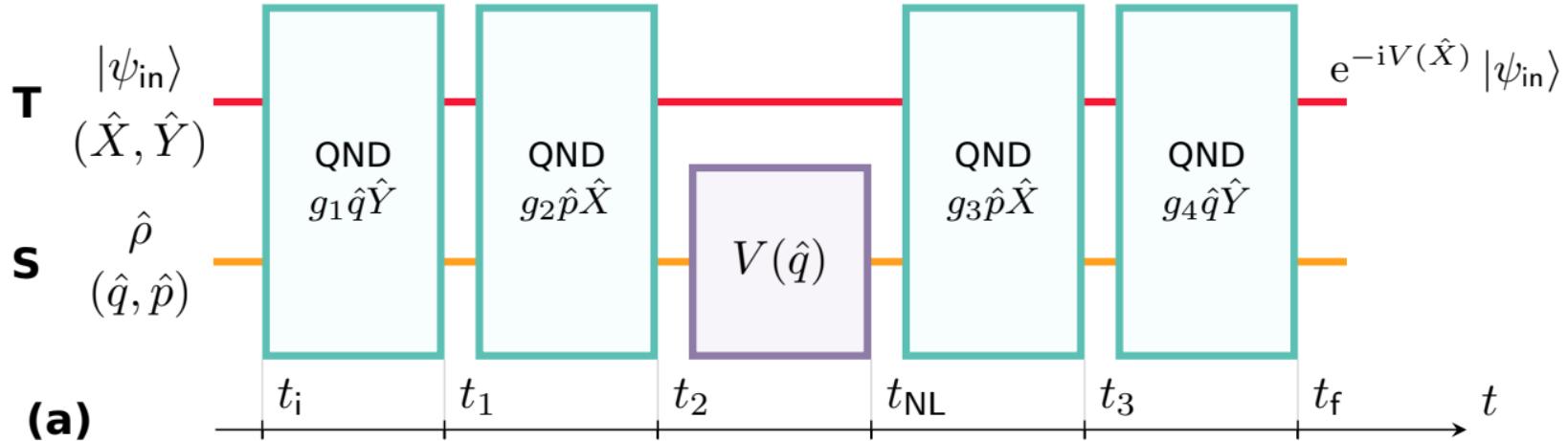
Nonlinearity in Atoms

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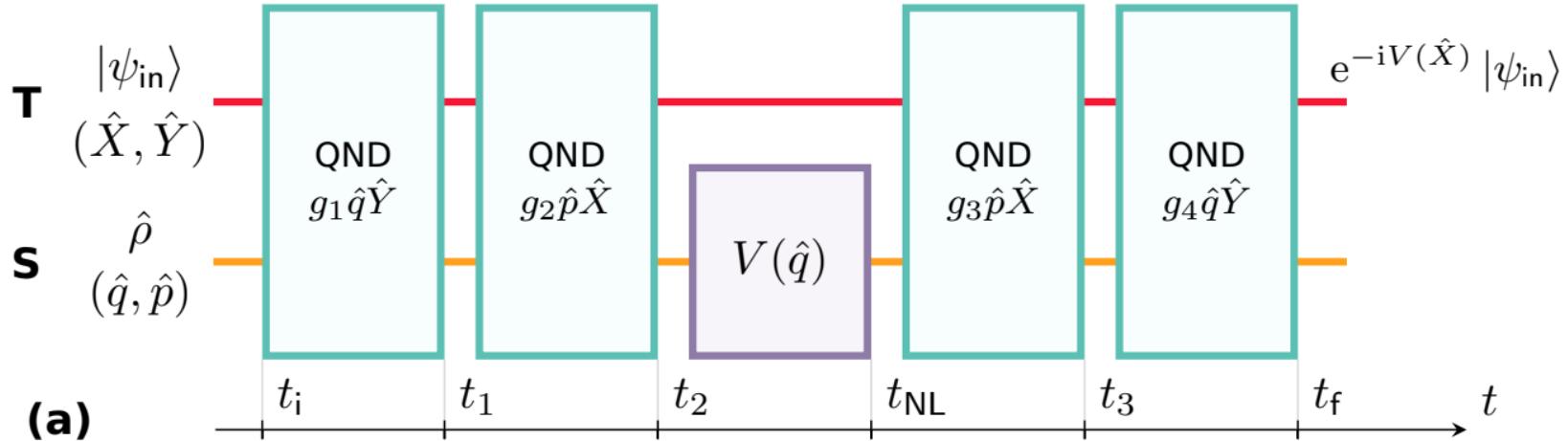
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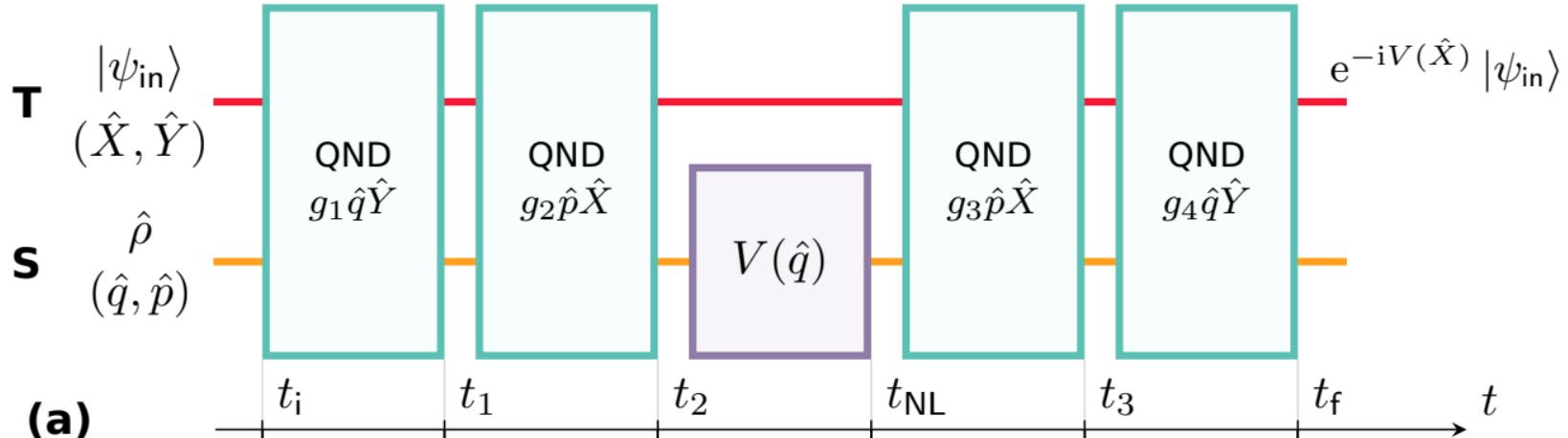


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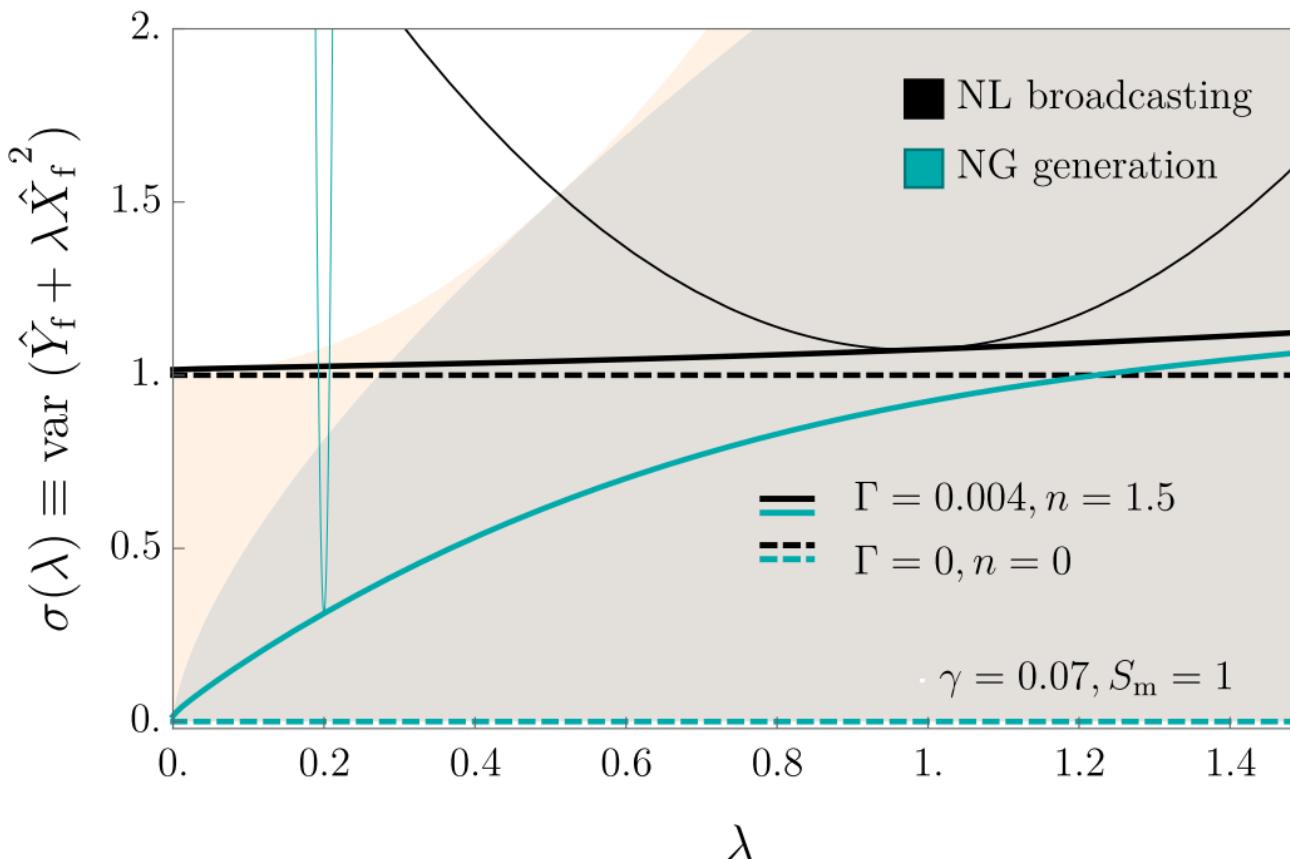
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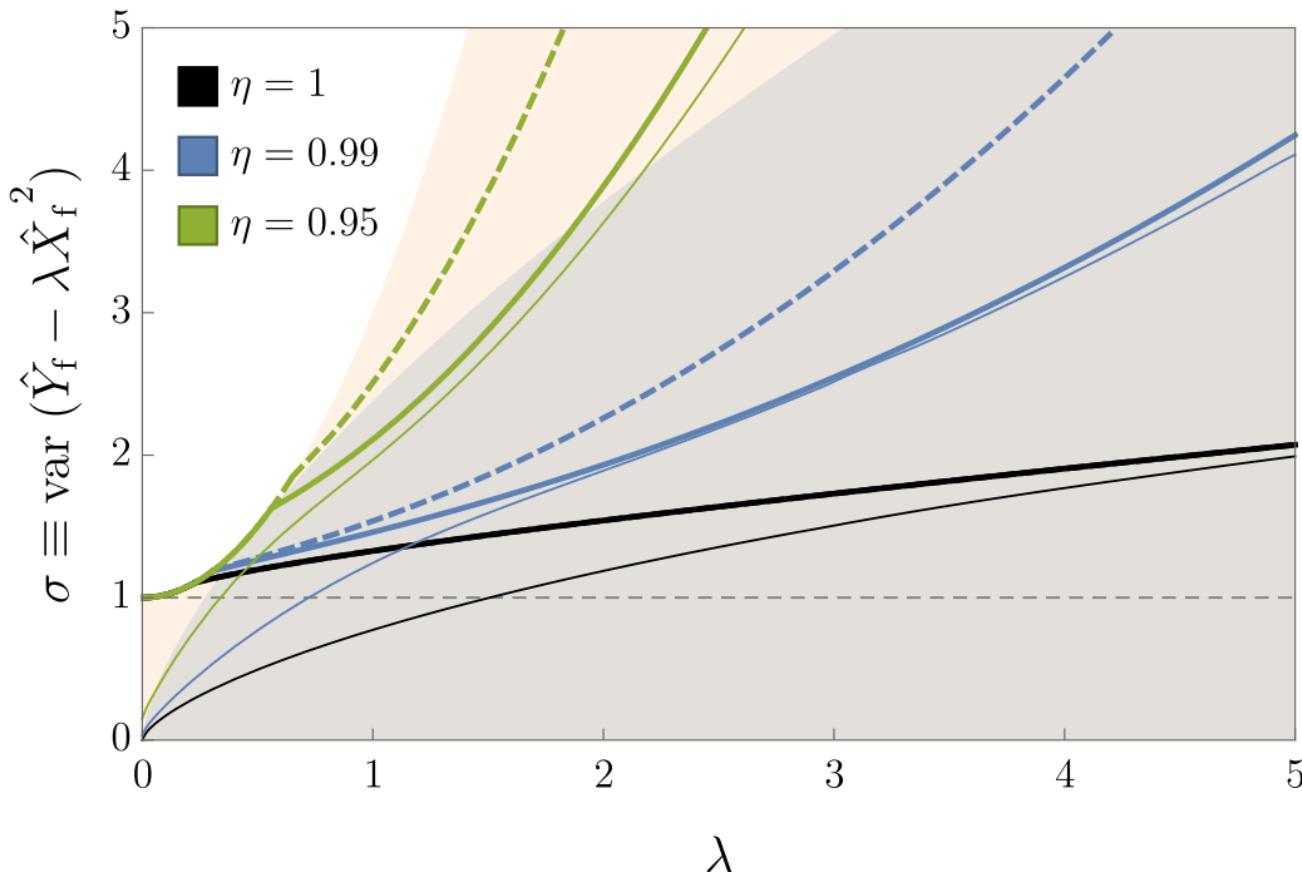
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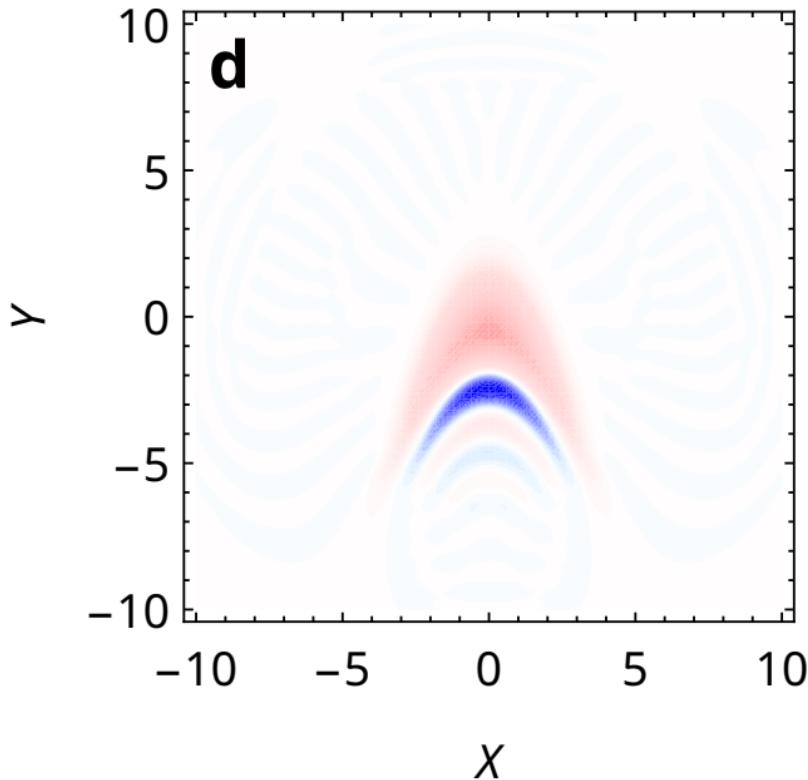
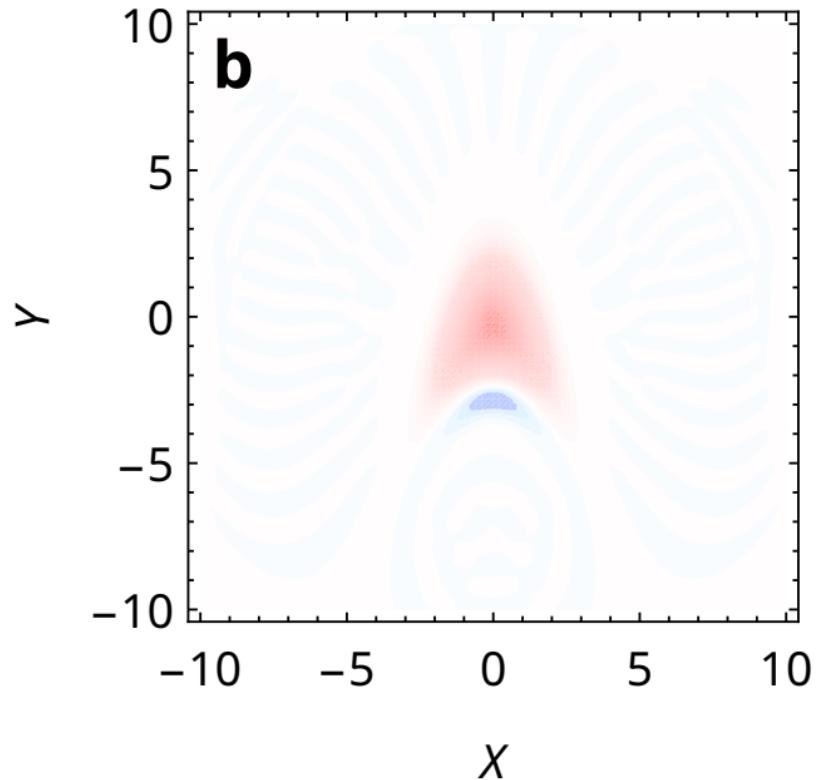
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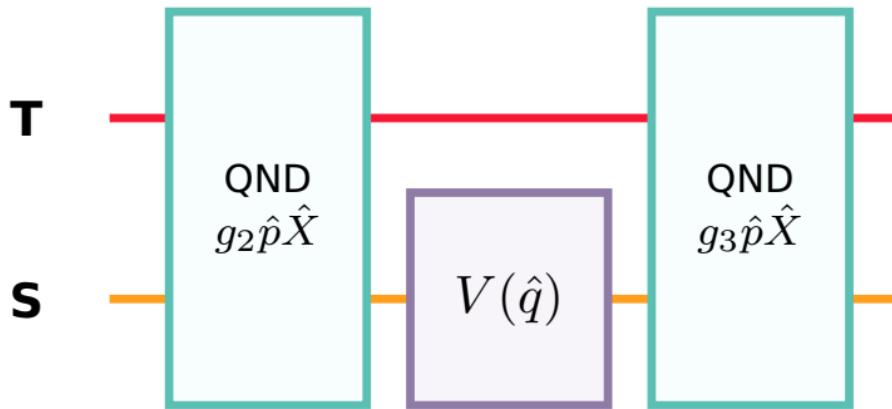
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## Simplified broadcasting protocol

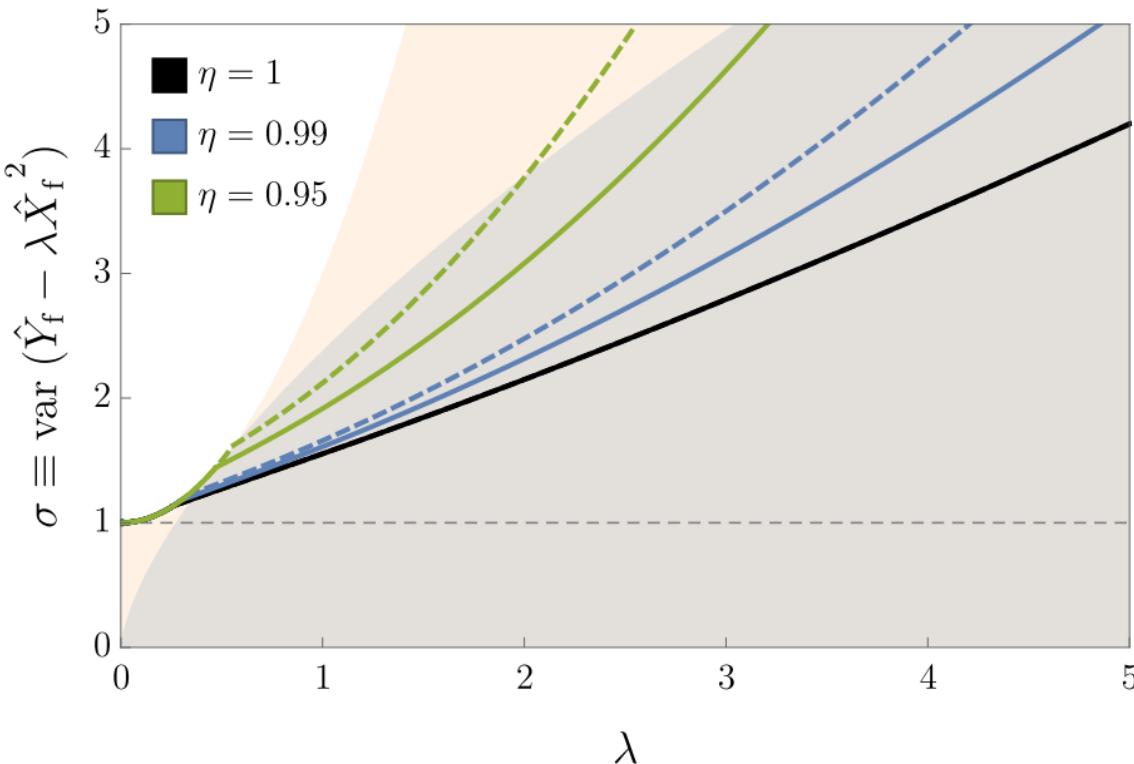


Input-output relations

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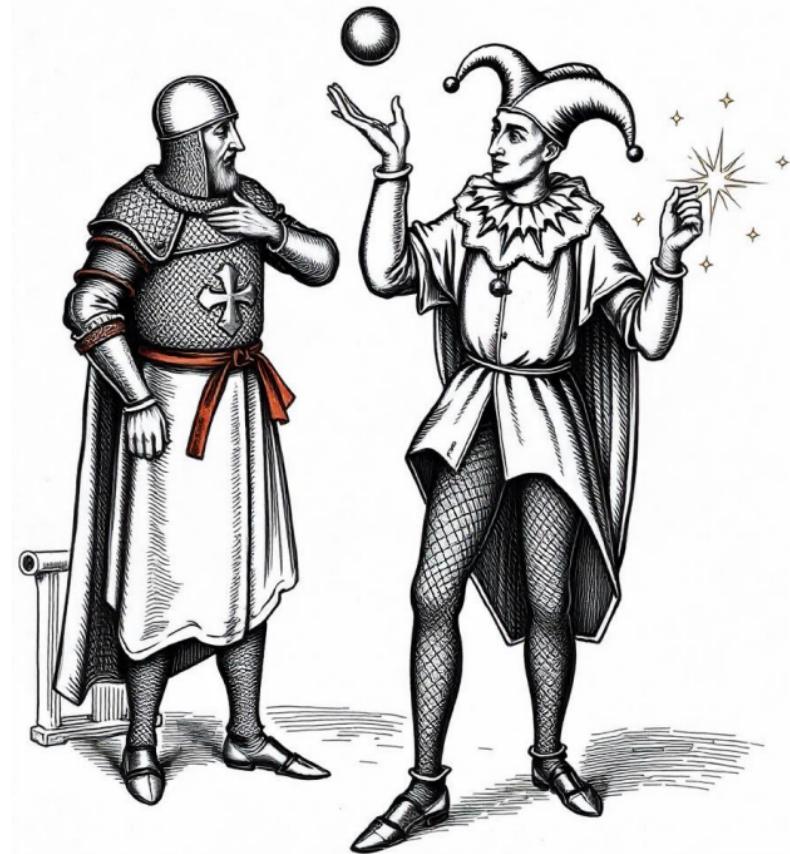
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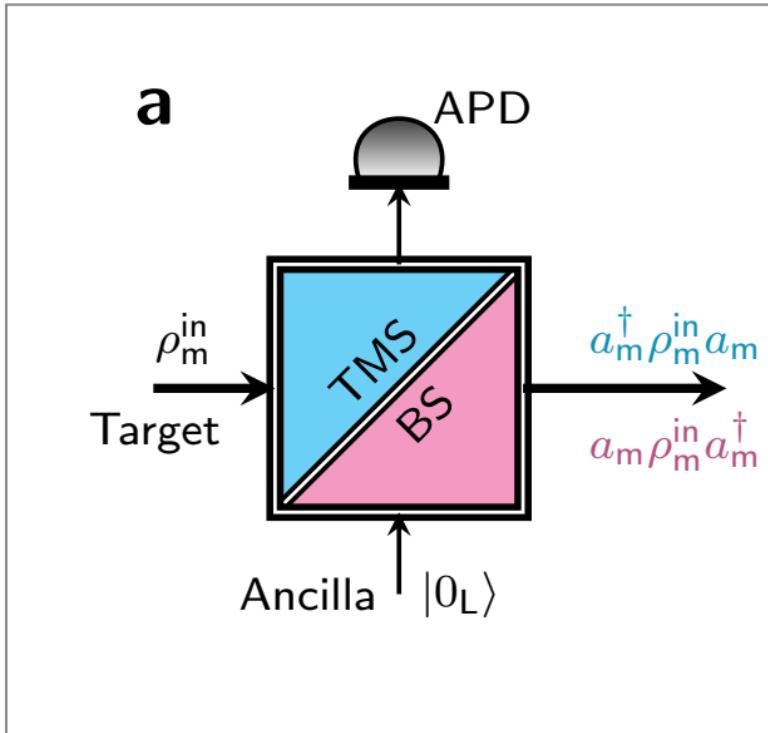
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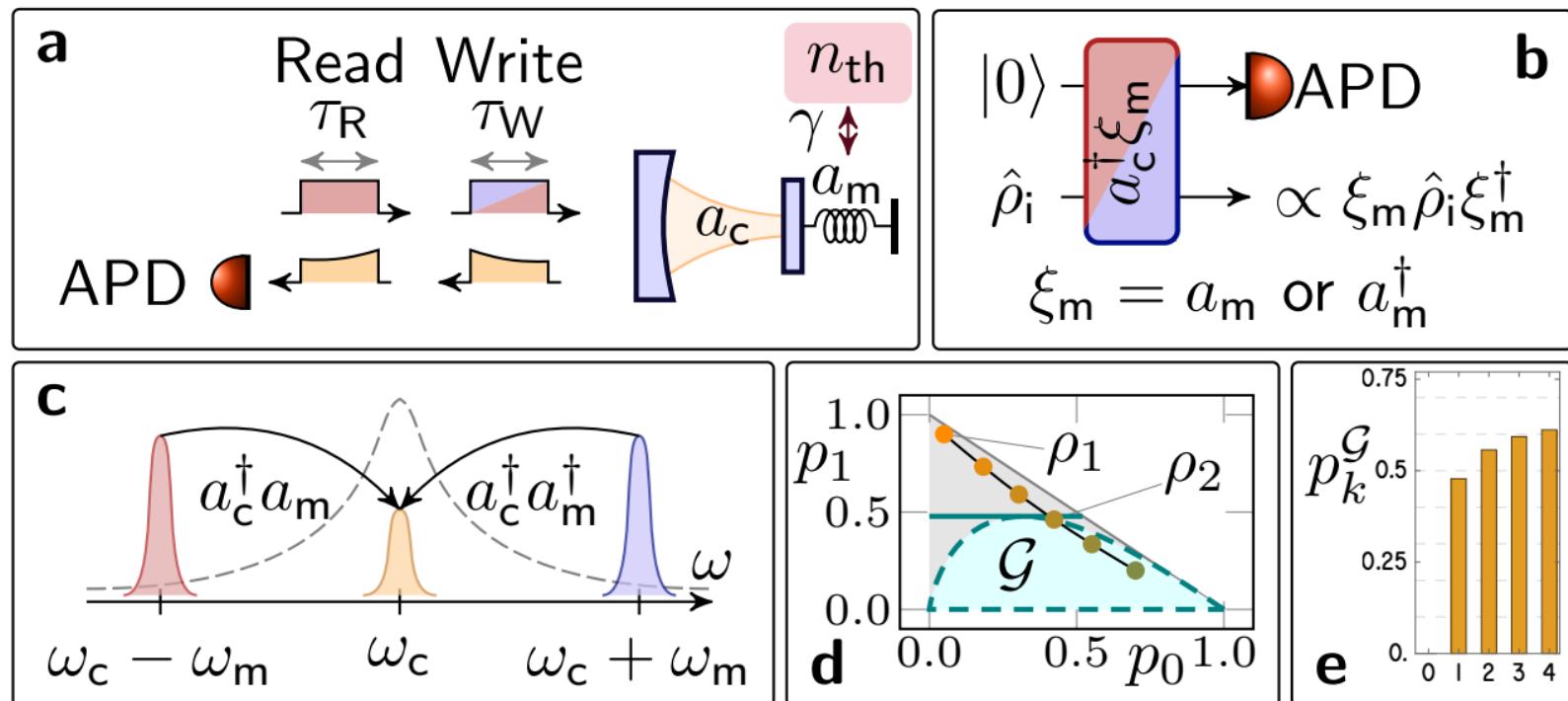
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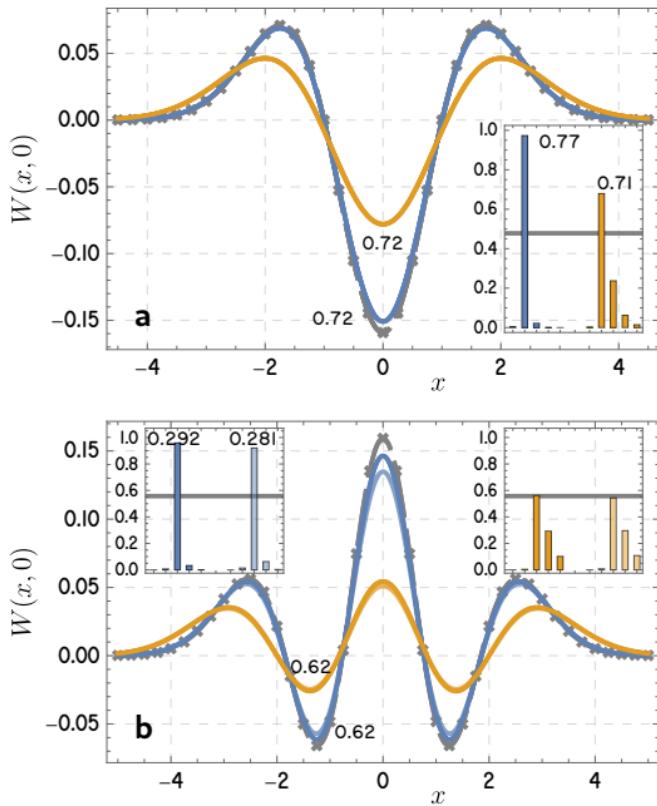
## Single-phonon addition or subtraction in optomechanics



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# Evaluation of multiphonon quantum non-Gaussianity (superfluid He)



## Multiphonon probabilities

$$p_k = \langle k | \rho | k \rangle$$

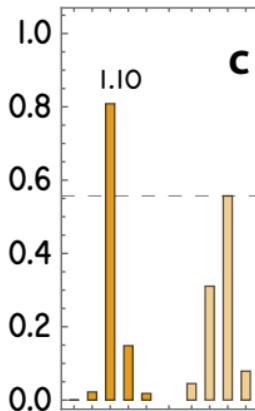
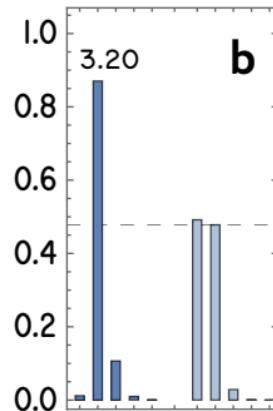
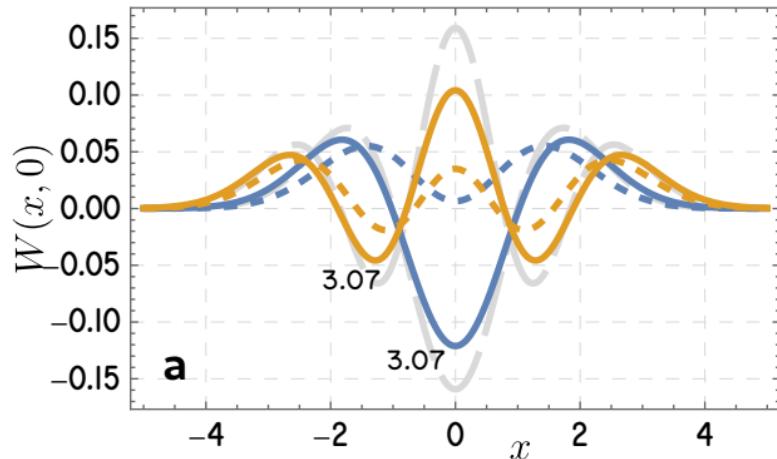
## Criteria of absolute $n$ -phonon quantum non-Gaussianity

$$p_k^G = \max_{\alpha, r, \{c_i\}} \left| \left\langle k \left| \hat{D}(\alpha) \hat{S}(r) \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} c_i |i\rangle \right. \right\rangle \right|^2.$$

$$p_2^G = \max_{\alpha, r, c_0, c_1} \left| \left\langle 2 \left| \hat{D}(\alpha) \hat{S}(r) \left( c_0 |0\rangle + c_1 |1\rangle \right) \right. \right\rangle \right|^2.$$

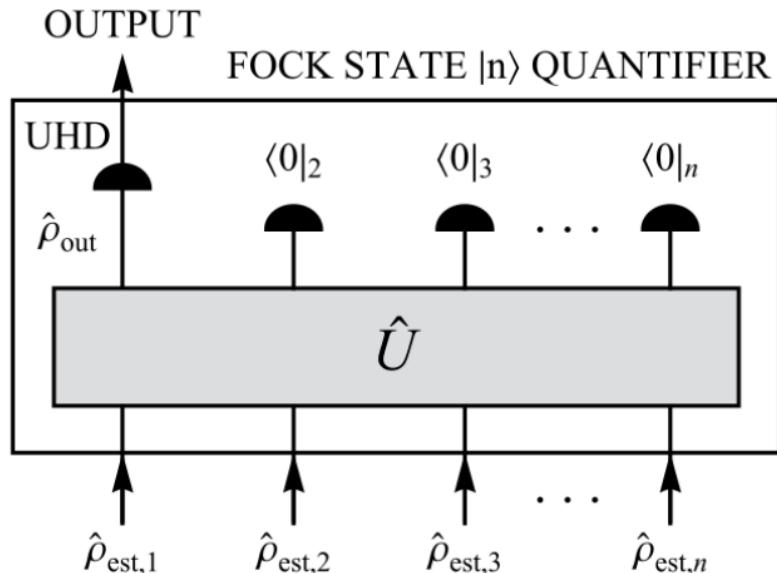
$k$	1	2	3
$p_k^G$	0.478	0.557	0.593

## Readout and verification



Inset numbers show QNG depth: loss (in dB) to lose QNG.

## Bunching capability

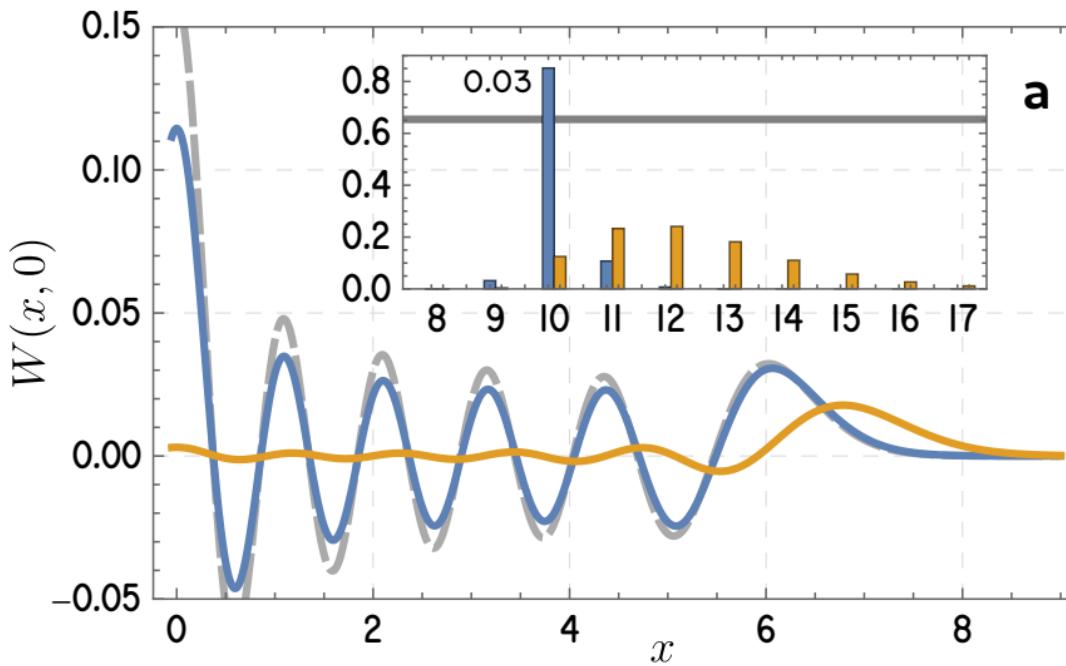


### The recipe

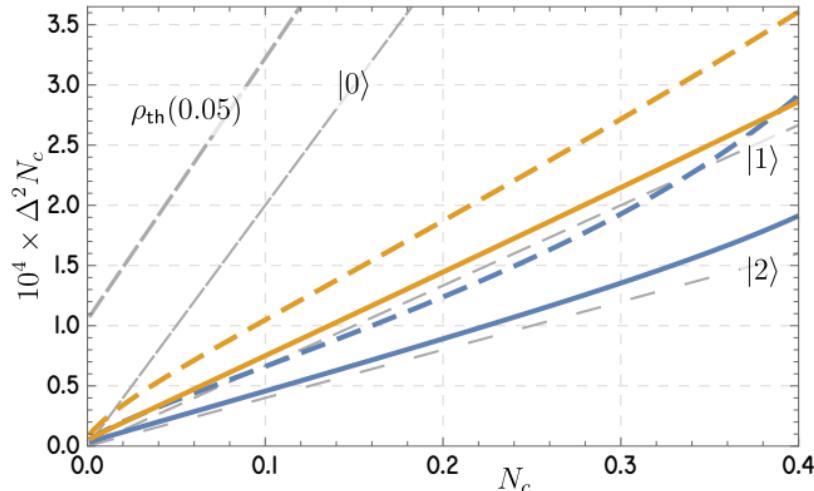
- ★ measure the statistics  $\langle k|\hat{\rho}_{\text{est}}|k\rangle$
- ★ compute hypothetical bunching state

Original proposal P. Zapletal and R. Filip, Sci Rep 7, 1 (2017)  
Implementations with OPA: P. Zapletal *et al.*, OPTICA 8, 743 (2021).

## Bunching capability



## Application: detection of phase-randomized displacement



Phase-randomized displacement

$$\rho_{\text{in}} \mapsto \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \hat{D}(\sqrt{N_c} e^{i\phi}) \rho_{\text{in}} \hat{D}^\dagger(\sqrt{N_c} e^{i\phi})$$

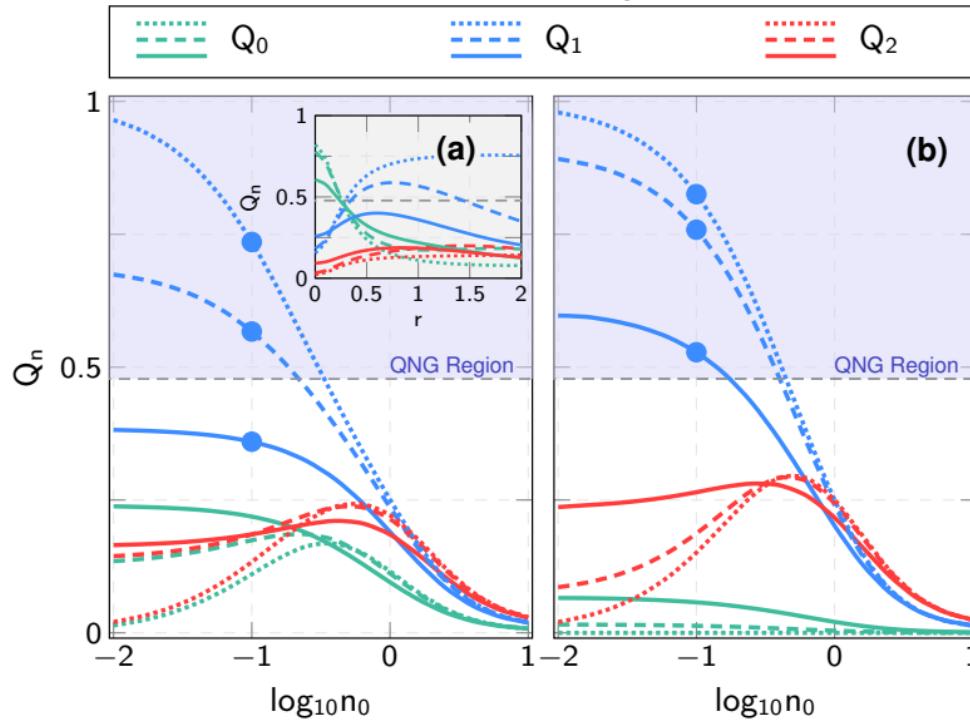
Cramér-Rao bound

$$\Delta^2 N_c \geq \frac{1}{M \cdot F(N_c)},$$

M – number of copies, F – quantum Fisher information

## In levitated optomechanics

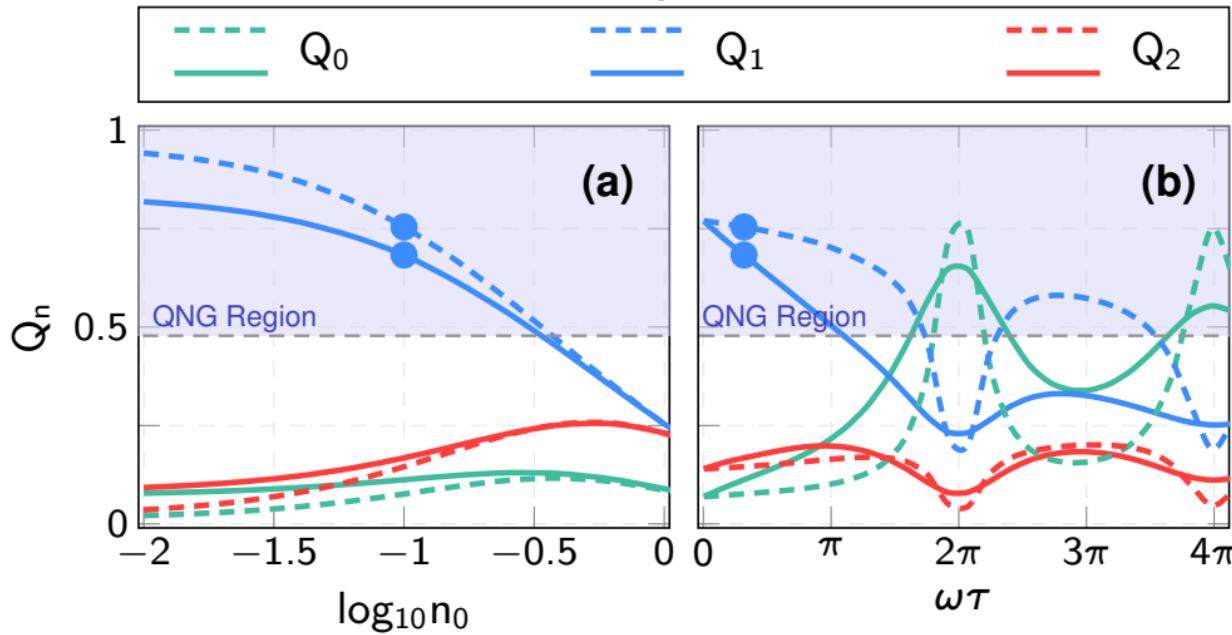
## Inside a cavity



Parameters U. Delić, Science 367, 892 (2020)

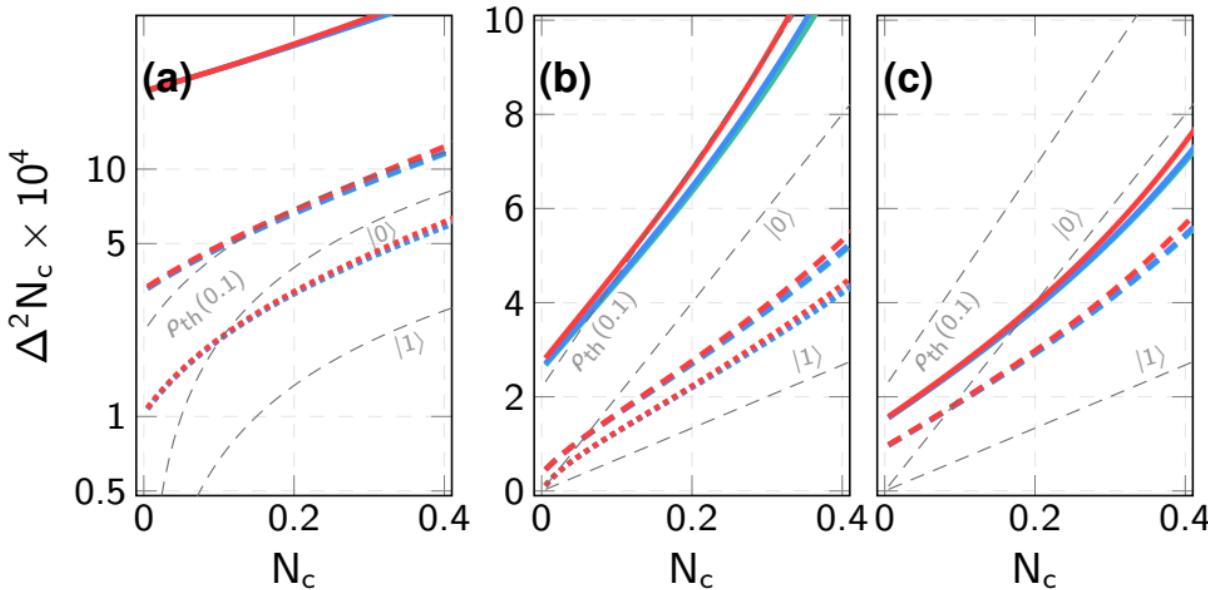
## In levitated optomechanics

In free space

Parameters: L. Magrini, Phys. Rev. Lett **129**, 053601 (2022)

## In levitated optomechanics

## Phase-randomized displacement sensitivity



## Conclusions

- ★ Quantum non-Gaussianity is possible in optomechanics and outside
- ★ both continuous-variable [CV] (nonlinear potentials) and discrete-variable [DV] (photon counting) regimes
- ★ Nonlinearity can be broadcast to linear systems
- ★ single-phonon-added states are helpful for phase-randomized force detection

# Thank You!



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# Beware of the appendix slide!

## Effective classical simulation

Consider the setup:

- ★  $n$  quantum subsystems
- ★  $t$  operations
- ★ local measurements performed on individual subsystems

The measurement produces one list of outcomes:

$$\mathbf{k} \equiv \{k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n\},$$

one outcome per system.

Probability of the outcomes

$$P(k_1, \dots, k_n) \quad (1)$$

A classical algorithm is said to be capable of effective sampling, if it

- ★ is efficient (polynomial) in  $t$  and  $n$
- ★ provides outcomes  $\mathbf{k}$  drawn from the same probability as (1)

The very last frame which is empty