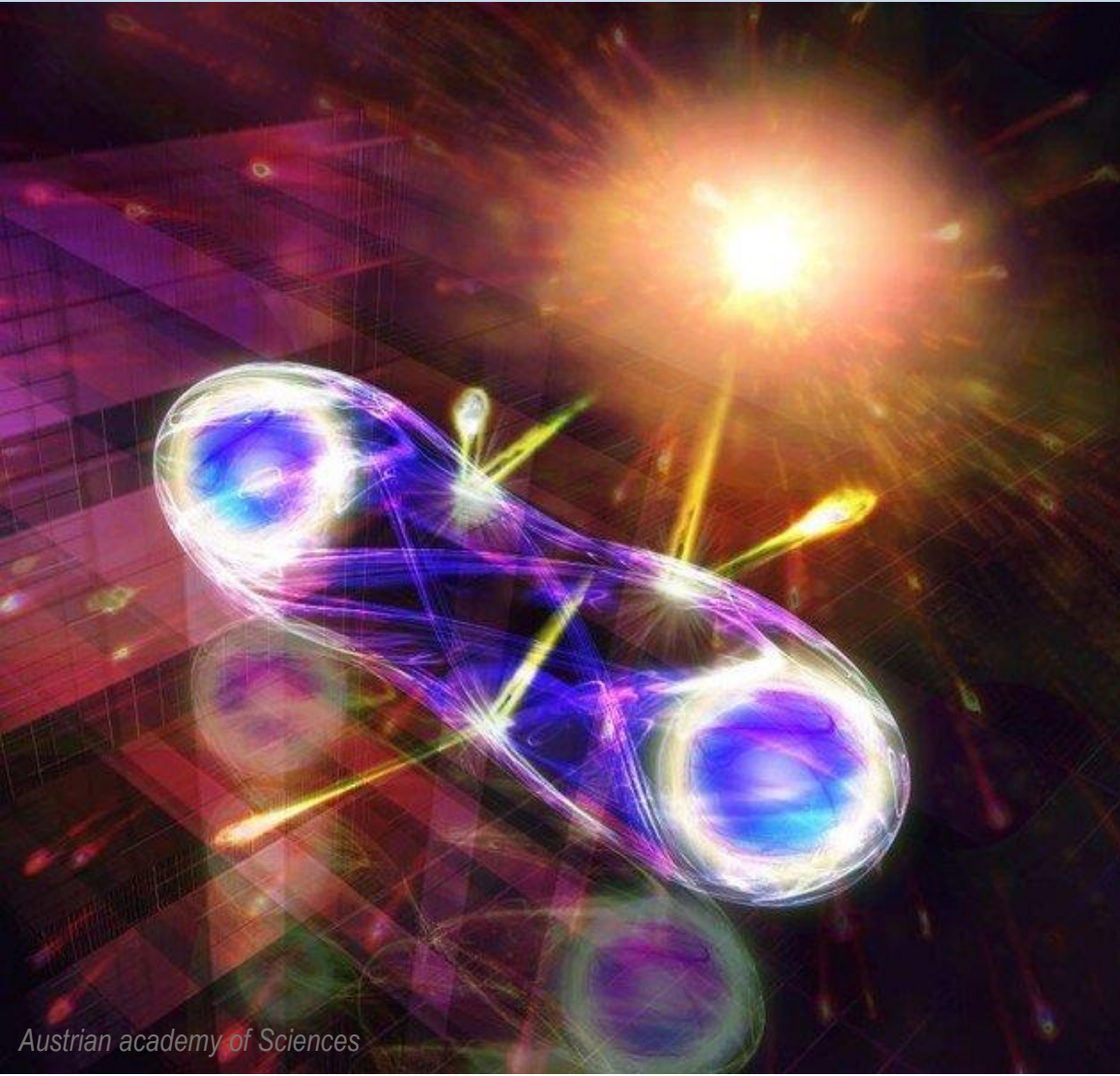




Entangled photon sources for free space and fiber based QKD

– Highlights from the Quantum Photonics Lab at IIT Delhi



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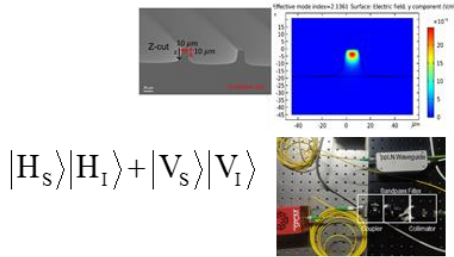
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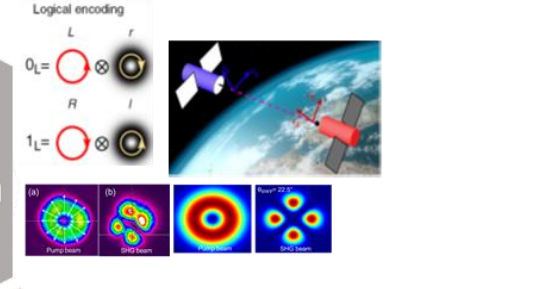


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Fiber-based Quantum Communication

Free-space Quantum Communication

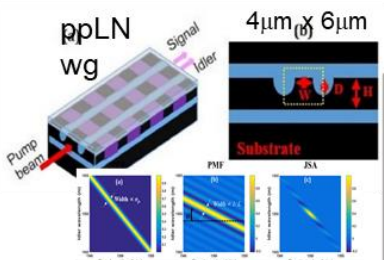
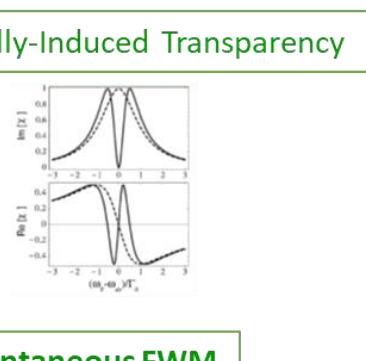


Electromagnetically-Induced Transparency

Twin Photons for QI applications

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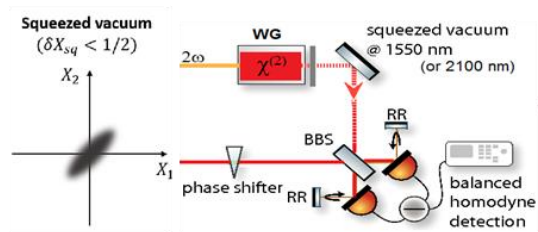
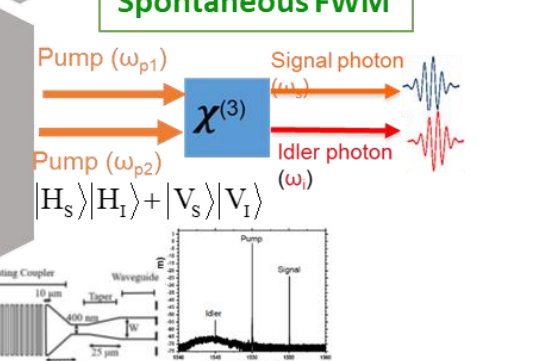
Coherent Light-Matter Interaction in Atomic Media



$$|H_s\rangle|V_I\rangle - |V_s\rangle|H_I\rangle$$

Quantum Detection (WG-Squeezed light)

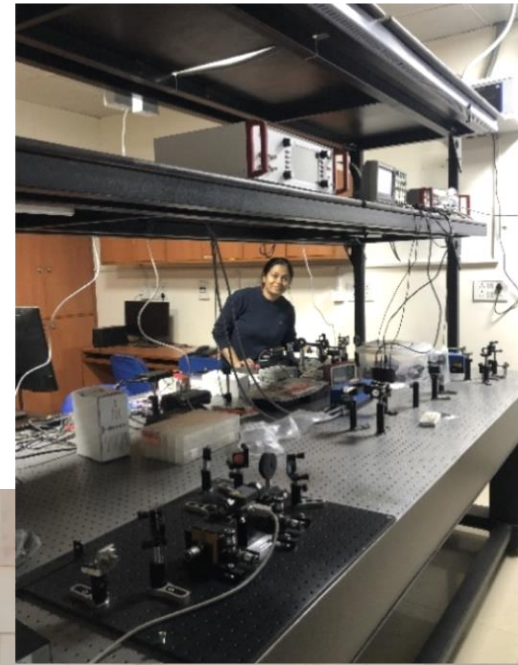
Correlated Photons in SOI Nano-waveguides



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Quantum Communication

Optical band~700-850nm

Telecom band~1400-1600nm

- Free-space
- SPD: PMT (40%@500nm), Si-SPAD (80%@750nm), SNSPD (>90%): expensive

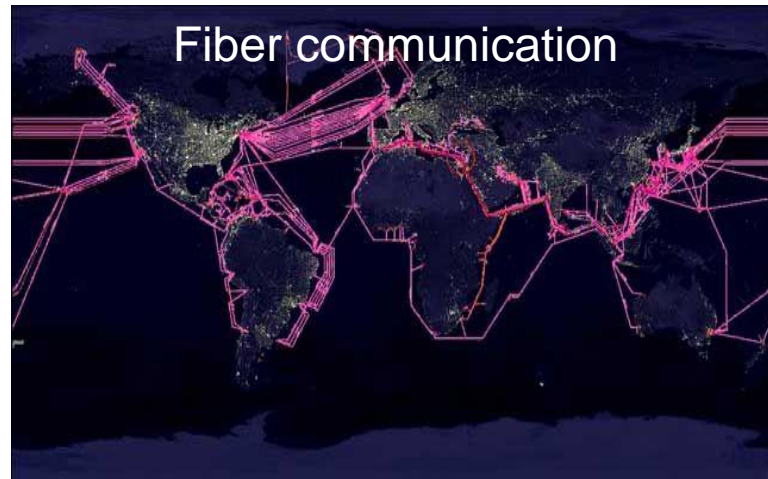
- Fiber-based
- SPD: PMT (2%@1550nm), InGaAs-SPAD (20%@1550nm), SNSPD (~90%@1550nm): expensive

FSO & Satellite communication



<https://in.pcmag.com>

Fiber communication



<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/523965737871003374>

Security Considerations in QKD

QKD protocols

C. H. Bennett and G. Brassard, Proc. IEEE Int. Conference on Computers, Systems and Signal Processing, Bangalore, India (IEEE Press, New York, 1984), 175.



No-cloning theorem

Measurement leads to state collapse

Measurements are irreversible

1) Prepare and Measure protocols (single-photon based)

• **BB84 Protocol (1984)** → Attenuated laser pulses

- B92 Protocol (1992)
- 4+2 Protocol (1995)
- Six- State protocol (1998)
- Decoy State Protocol (2003)
- SARG04 Protocol (2004)

Attacks

- PNS attack
- Intercept-resend attack

2) Entanglement based protocols (entangled-photon based)

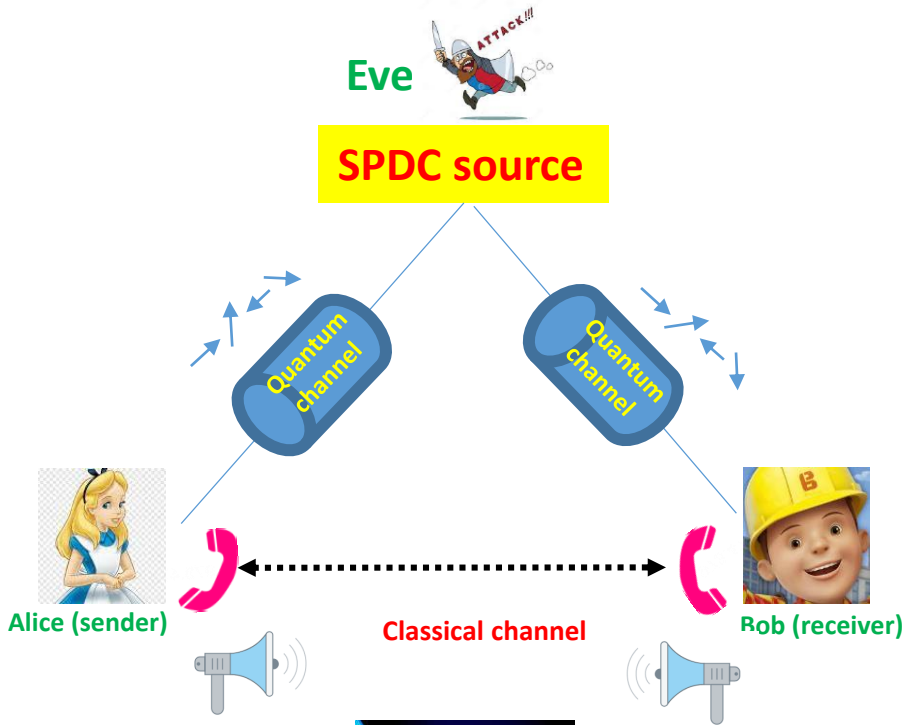
- Ekert91 Protocol (1991)
- BBM92 Protocol (1992)

Why? 🙄

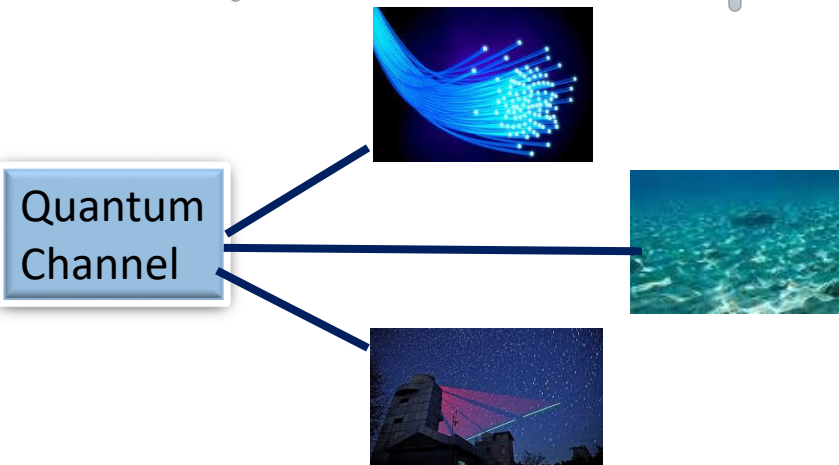
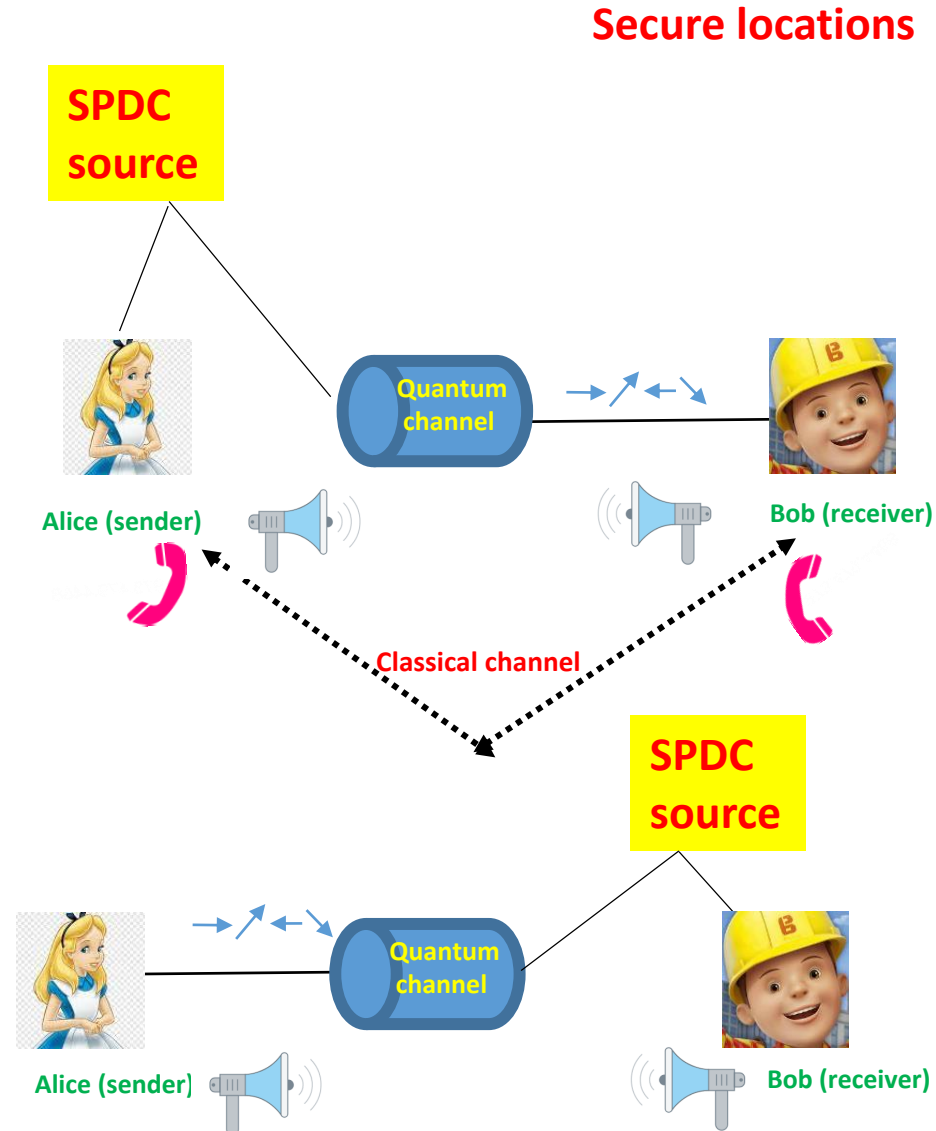
- True single/ entangled photon source
- Eavesdropping attacks
- Inherent randomness
- Longer transmission paths
- Inherent source-independent security
- Bell's inequality test

Entanglement - based QKD

Source in the middle



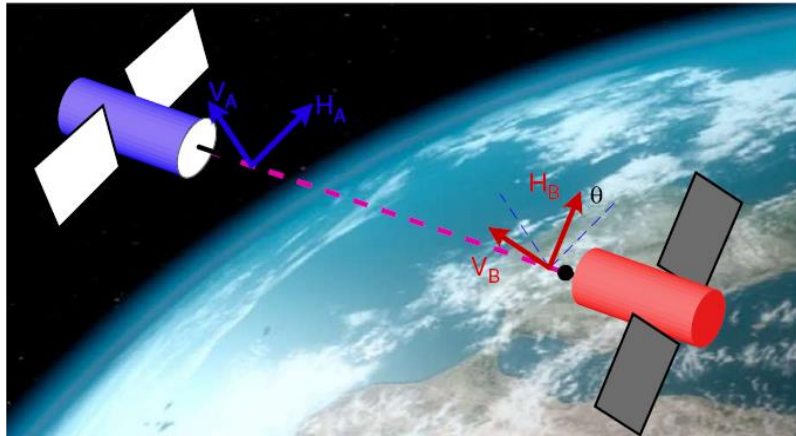
Source at Alice's or Bob's side



Quantum Technologies using Hybrid Photons for Secure Communication & Quantum Information

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Rotationally-invariant Hybrid photons

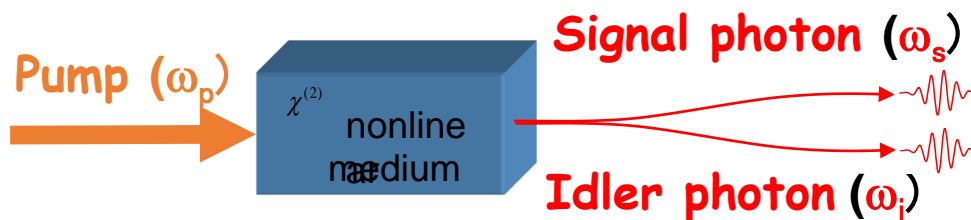


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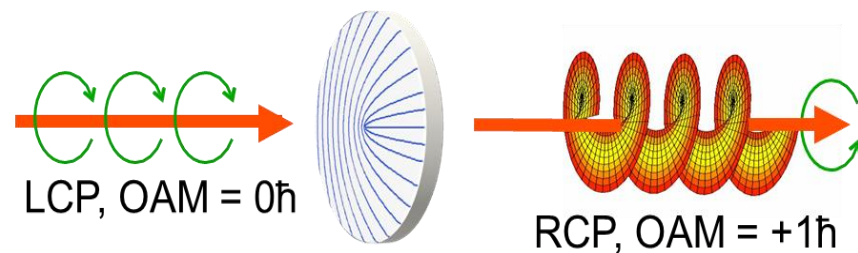
Polarization/transverse modes				Logical encoding	
H	h	R	r	L	r
\longleftrightarrow				$0_L =$	
	V	L	I	R	I
\updownarrow				$1_L =$	
		SAM S_z	OAM L_z	TAM $J_z = S_z + L_z$ $= -1\hbar + 1\hbar$	
				$J_z = 0\hbar$	

Generation of entangled photon pairs

- Spontaneous Parametric Down-Conversion
- simple, highly efficient, spectrally bright

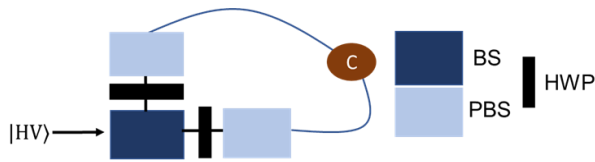
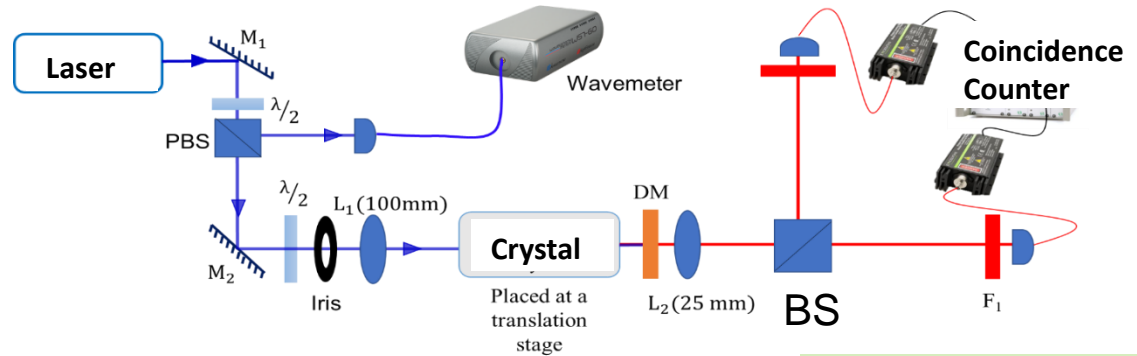


OAM manipulator → Encoder & Decoder

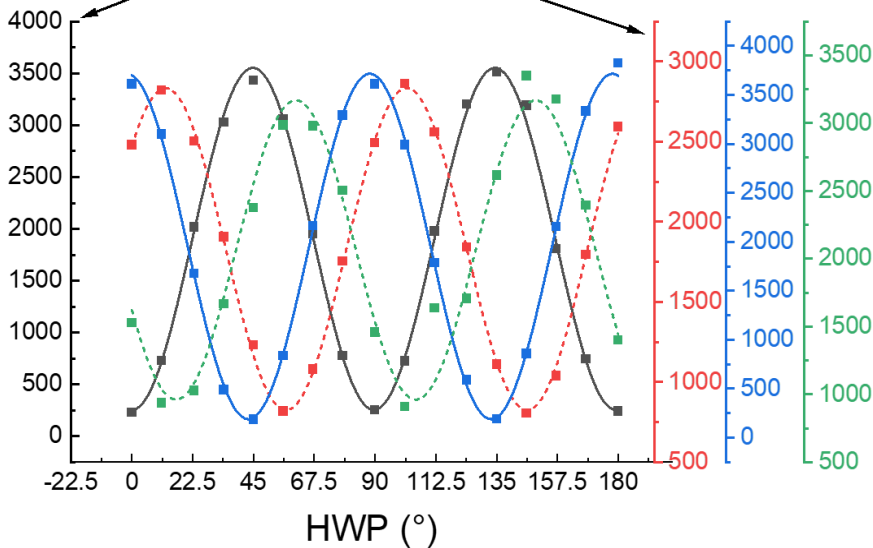


Polarization-entanglement

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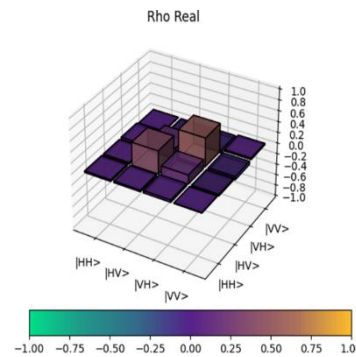


Coincidences (10s)



- 0°
- 23°
- 45°
- 67°

Max counts $\Delta \theta_{HWP} = 45^\circ, 135^\circ$
 Min counts $\Delta \theta_{HWP} = 0^\circ, 90^\circ, 180^\circ$



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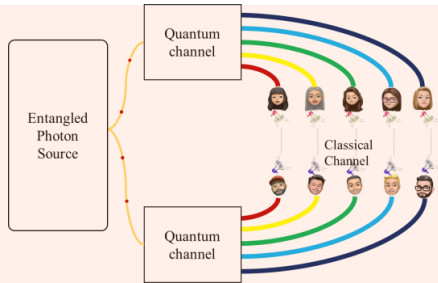
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- Polarization entanglement
 → needs to be improved
- Next steps
 → Hybrid-Entanglement
 → Entanglement-based QKD

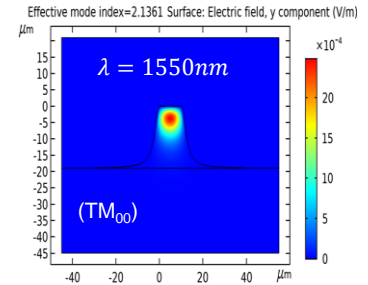
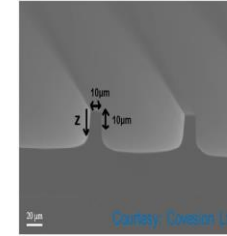
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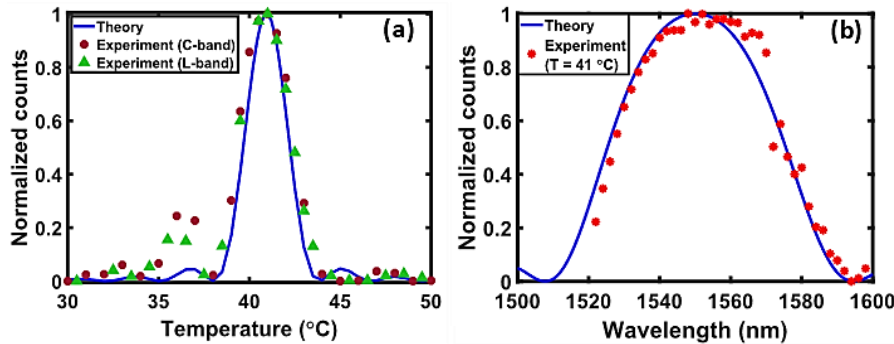
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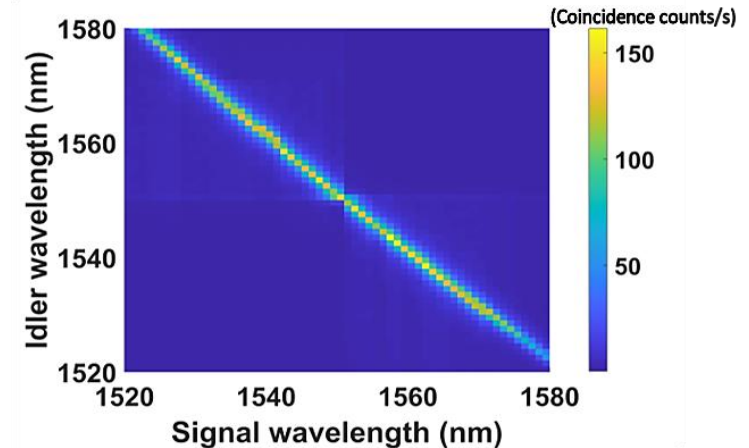
All-fiber-integrated, WDM-based source of entangled photons towards multiuser QKD

Broadband Telecom photons@1550nm

Generated Brightness $\sim 10^7$ pairs/s/mW/nm



Joint Spectral Intensity of Photon Pairs



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Research highlight:

ABP news (Ananda Bazar Patrika) 2 Feb 2021:
<https://www.anandabazar.com/science/dsts-quest-joyee-ghosh-using-crystal-laser-ray-to-make-hacking-free-telecommunication-dgtlx/cid/1263771>

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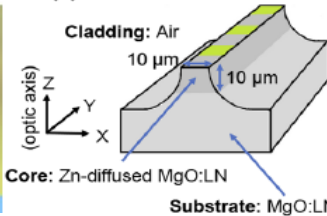


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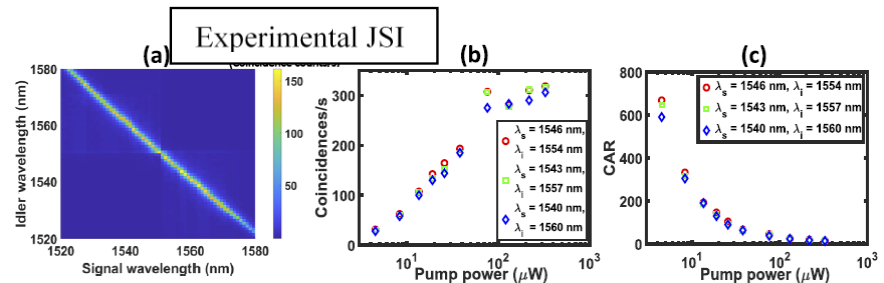
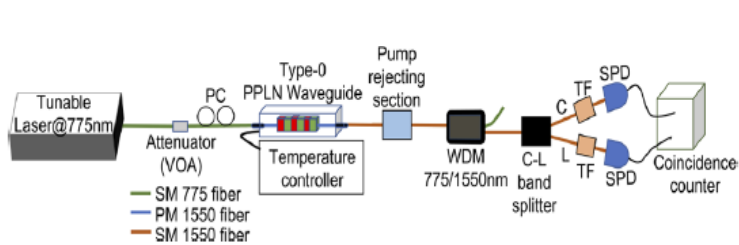
Cladding: Air
10 μm
10 μm
Core: Zn-diffused MgO:LN
Substrate: MgO:LN

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Broadband telecom photon pairs from a fiber-integrated PPLN ridge waveguide

Vikash Kumar Yadav,¹ Vivek Venkataraman,^{1,2} AND Joyee Ghosh^{1,*}

Experimental demonstration of a spectrally correlated photon-pair source at telecom wavelengths (FWHM > 45 nm spanning across the S-, C-, and L-bands), based on SPDC in a WDM based, all-fiber integrated PPLN ridge waveguide. Efficient photon-pair generation with a coincidence-to-accidental ratio (CAR) ~1322 and spectral brightness ~2.5 × 10⁷ pairs/s/mW/nm. Such sources can be employed in wavelength division multiplexed (WDM) quantum key distribution (QKD) over existing fiber-optic networks.

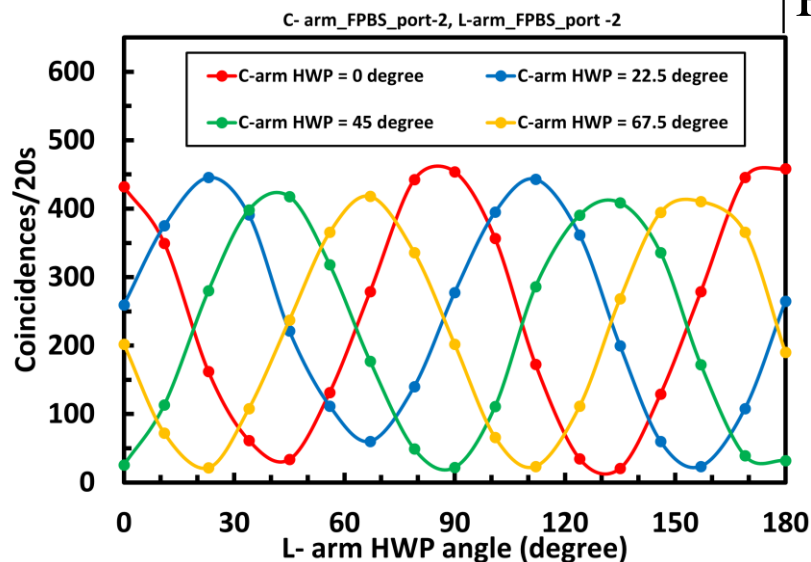




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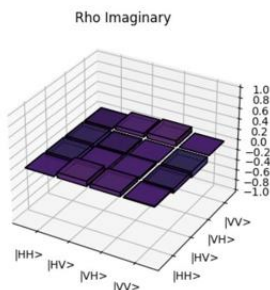
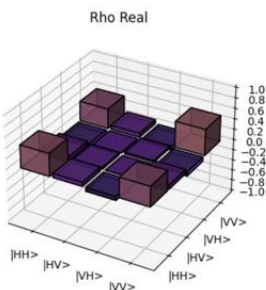
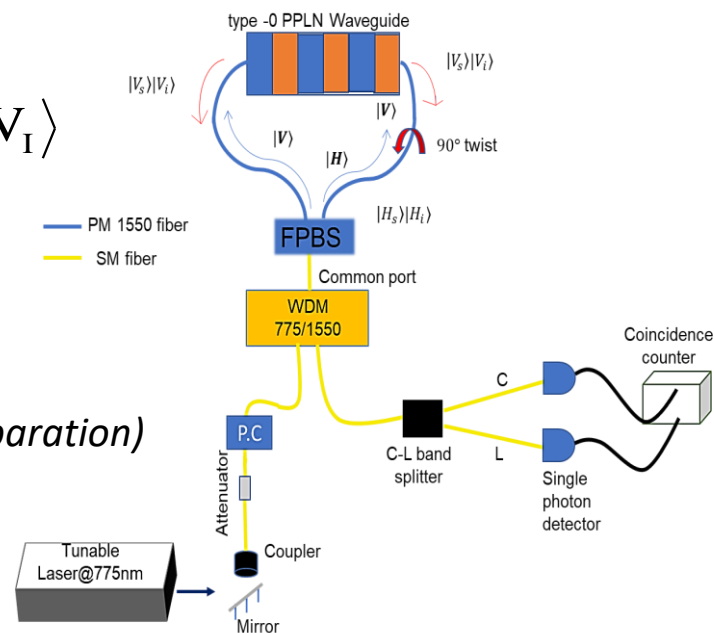
$P_{in1} = P_{in2} \sim 5\mu W$
 $\lambda_p = 775\text{ nm}$

Polarization entanglement

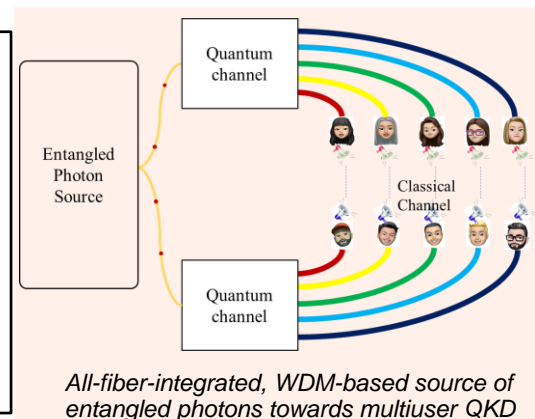


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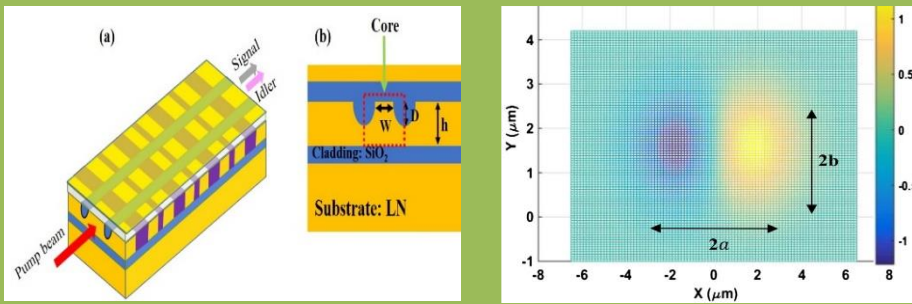
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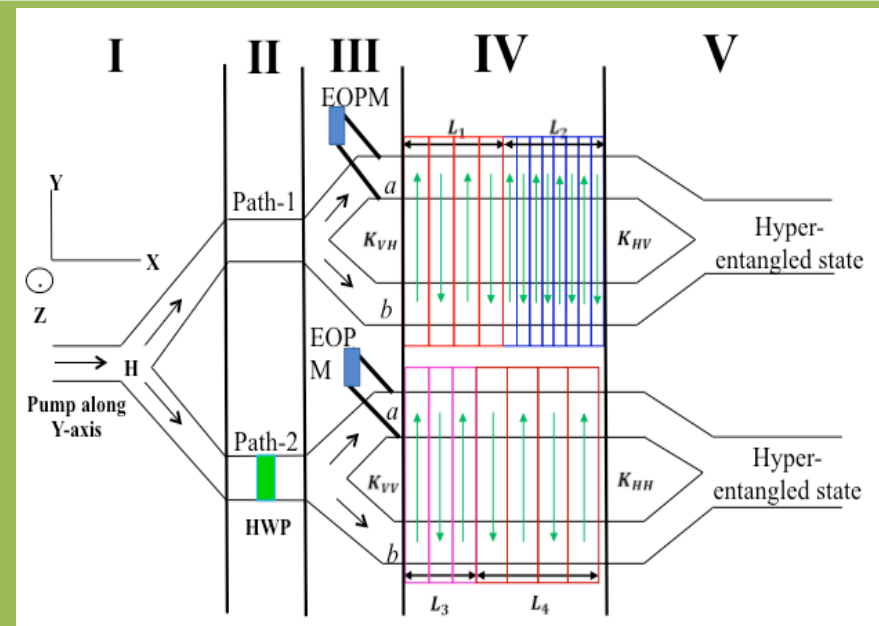
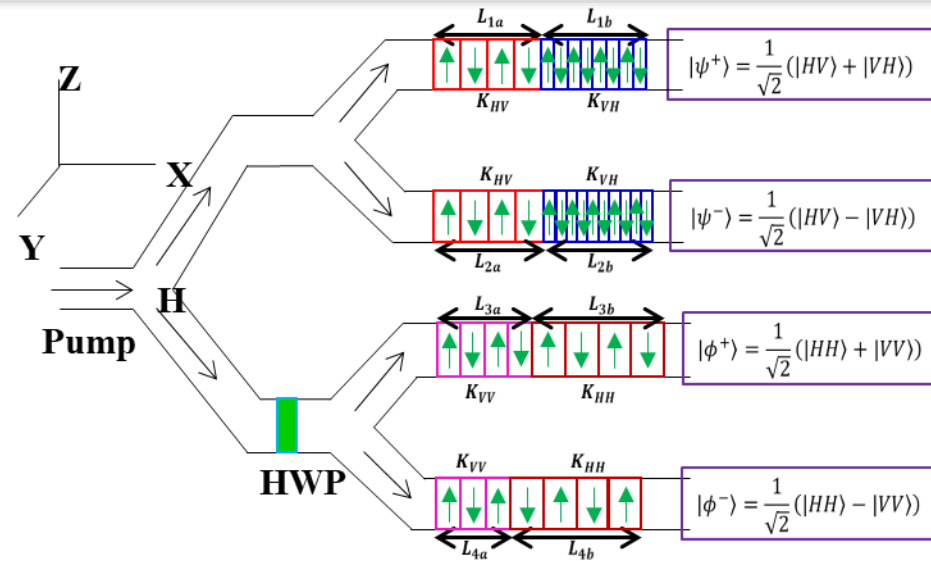
- Polarization entanglement → achieved
- Broadband & Individual channel entanglement → achieved
- Next steps
 - Entanglement-based QKD
 - Multi-user QKD



Integrated architectures in ppLN and ppKTP for generating entangled and hyperentangled photons



Postselection-free, hyperentangled photon pairs in a ppLN ridge waveguide: *Physical Review A* 102, 033722 (2020); Ramesh Kumar, V. K. Yadav and Joyee Ghosh
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FWM: Si and SiN nano-waveguides

Telecom-Band Quantum Light Sources Using Dispersion-Engineered SOI Waveguides

Broadband photon pair generation: Spontaneous Four Wave Mixing

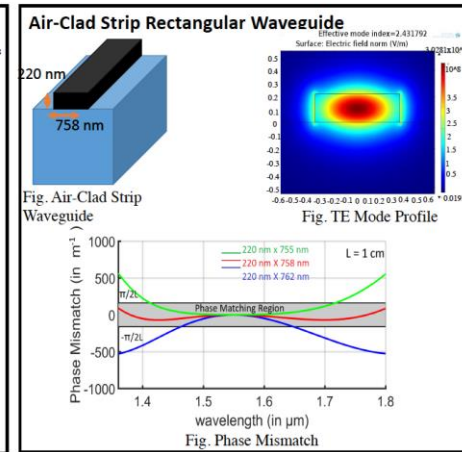
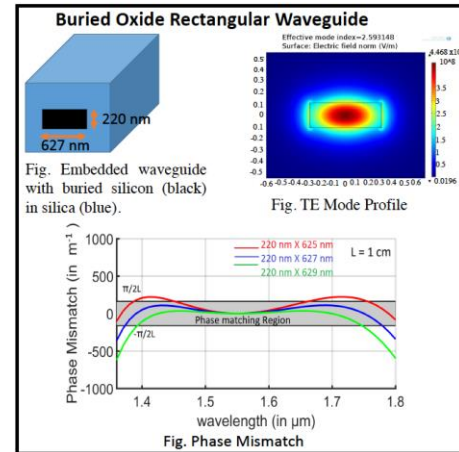
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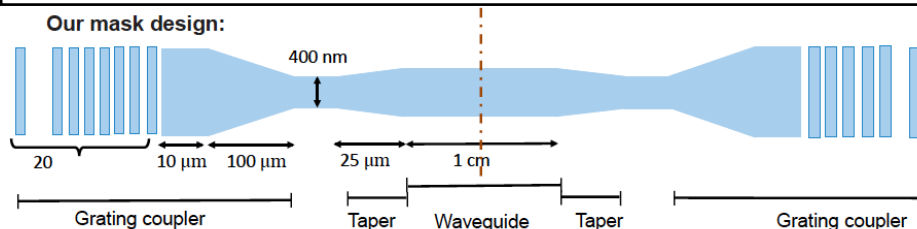
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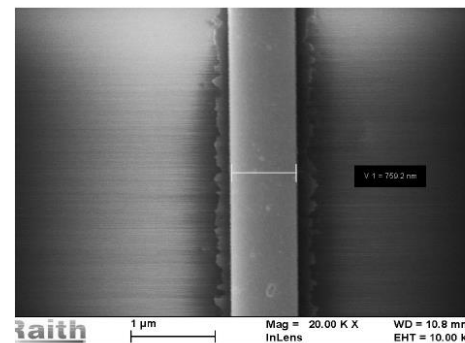
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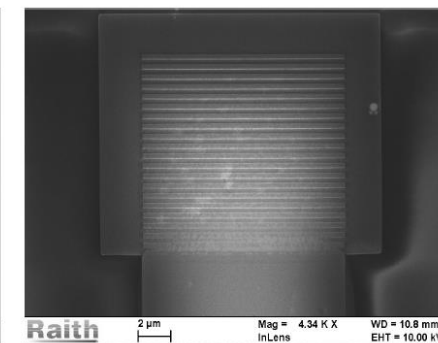
Techniques: Electron beam lithography (EBL), Inductively coupled plasma reactive ion etching (ICP-RIE)



Adiabatic taper: To ensure that only fundamental TE mode propagates



Waveguide with width $W = 759.2$ nm



Grating coupler

In collaboration with Prof. B. K. Das (IIT Chennai) & Prof. V. Venkataraman (EE, IIT Delhi)



A special tribute to this year's Nobel prize in Physics for Entangled Photons, from us!

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Silicon photonic wires for broadband polarization entanglement at telecommunication wavelengths -- **Physical Review Applied** 18, 044043 (2022)

-- selected as an Editors' Suggestion. <https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevApplied.18.044043>

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Suggestion:

Compact and scalable sources of broadband polarization entanglement at telecommunication wavelengths based on silicon photonic integrated circuits (Si PICs) will pave the way for multi-user long-distance quantum communication at enhanced data rates over the existing optical fiber network via WDM protocols. Progress towards this goal using the conventional silicon-on-insulator (SOI) platform has been hindered due to the large birefringence in such nano-waveguides. This work theoretically shows this limitation can in fact be overcome via careful dispersion engineering to achieve optimum waveguide dimensions that directly generate high-quality polarization-entangled photon pairs using nonlinear wave-mixing over a broad range of wavelengths, yielding sources operating across ~80 pairs of channels on the ITU (International Telecommunication Union) grid. Also demonstrated that the bandwidth of the input pump light needs to be limited to avoid degradation in the degree of entanglement due to PMD within the SOI nano-waveguide.

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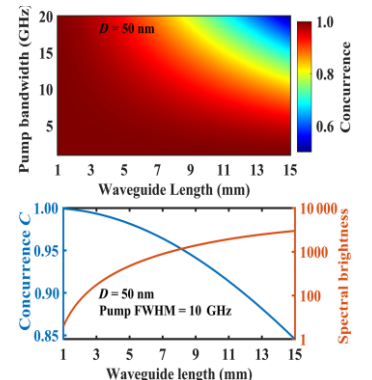
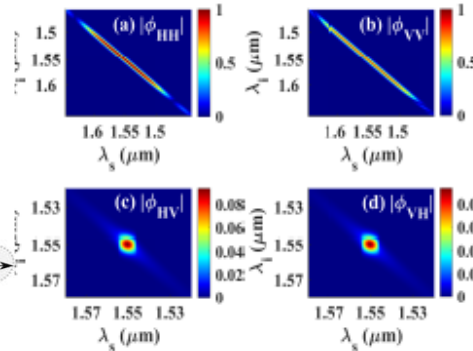
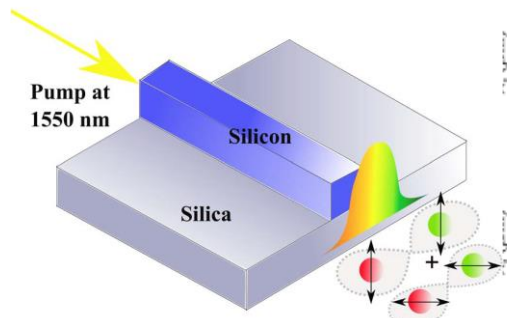
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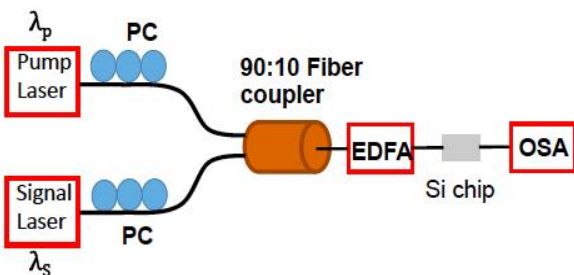
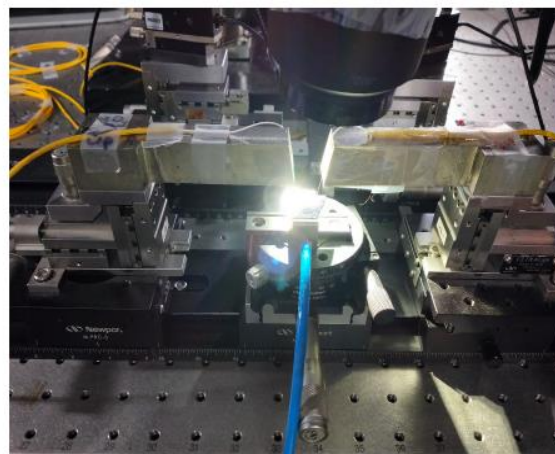
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Experimental result: FWM signals

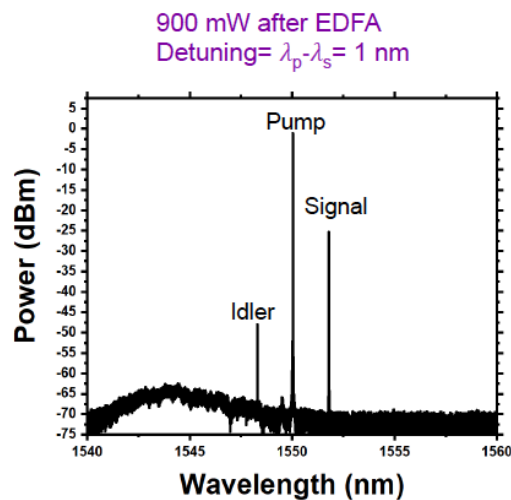
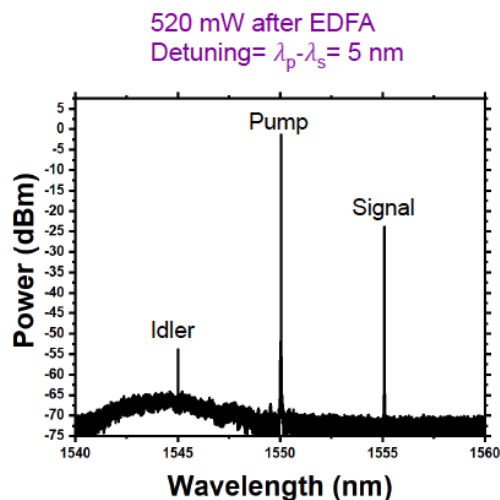
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PC: Polarization controllers
EDFA: Erbium doped fiber amplifier
OSA: Optical spectrum analyzer

OSA output with tapered waveguide # 6



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Thank you for staying tuned!