

Coherence Properties of the Entangled Two-Photon Field Produced by Parametric Down-Conversion

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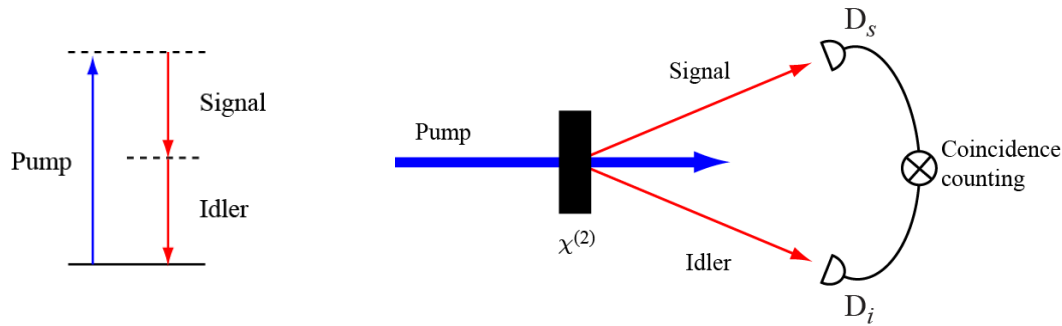
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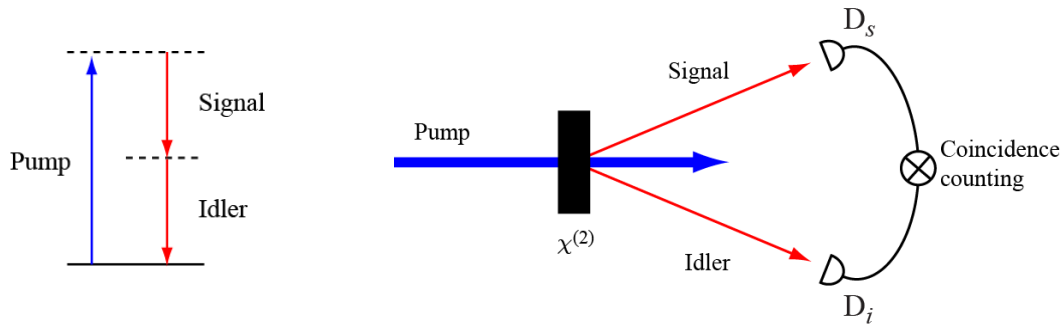


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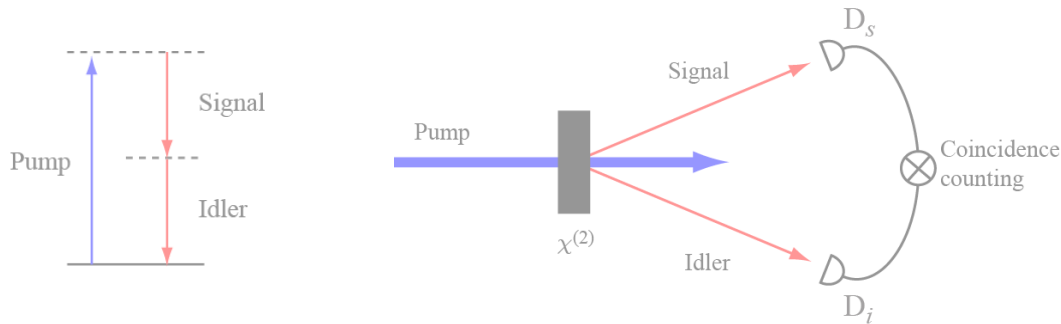
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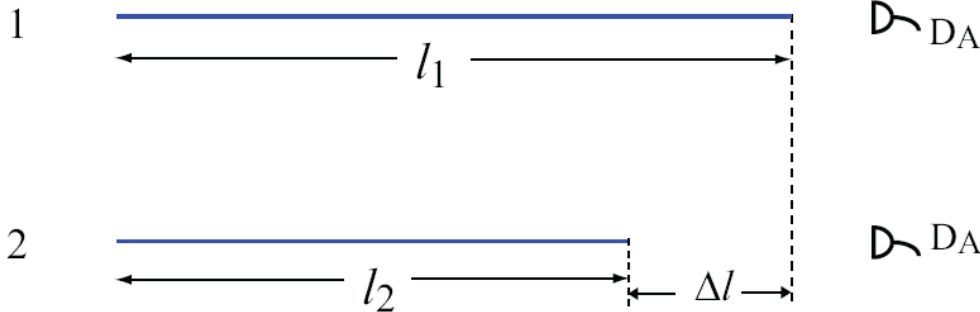
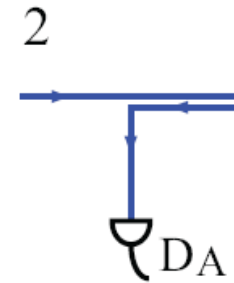
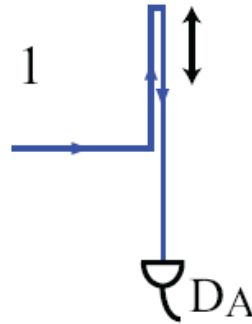
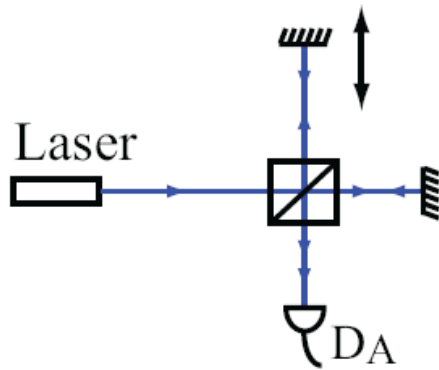
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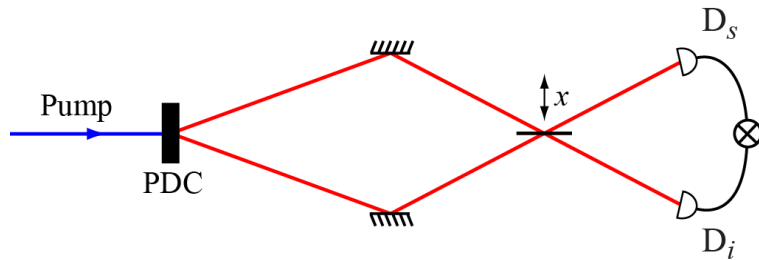
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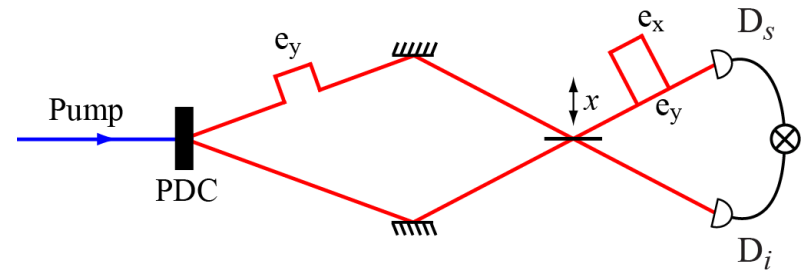
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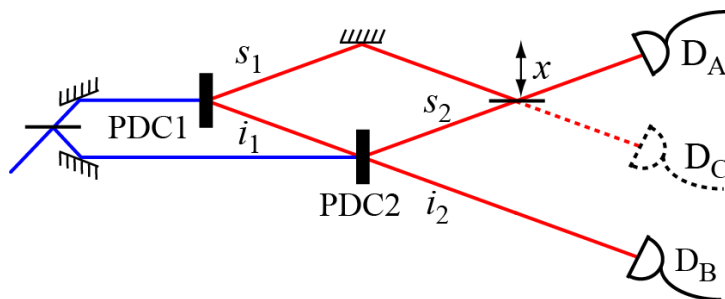
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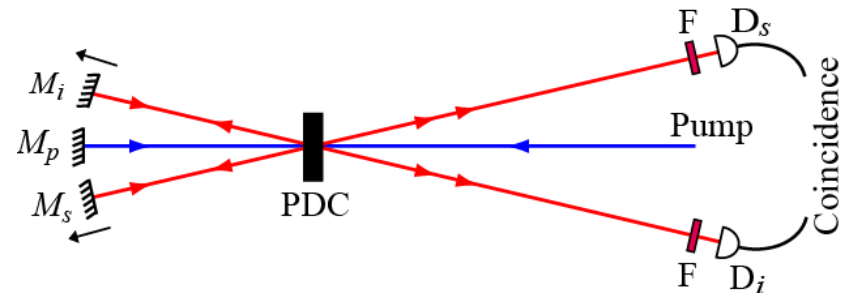
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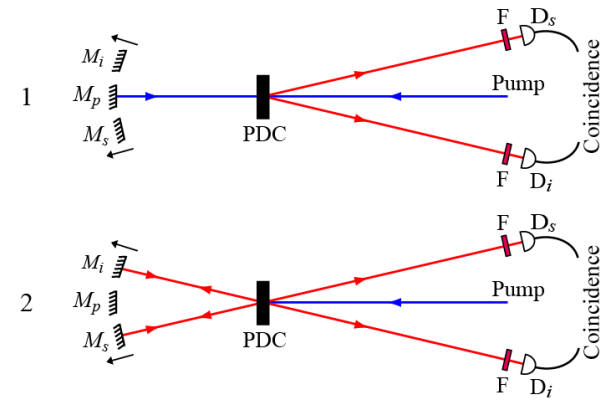
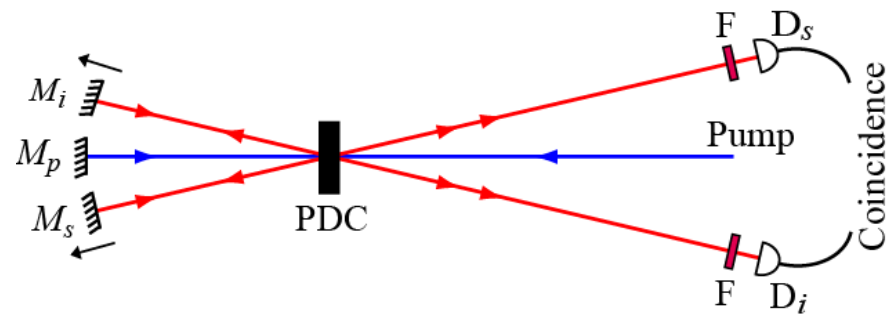


- Frustrated two-photon Creation**

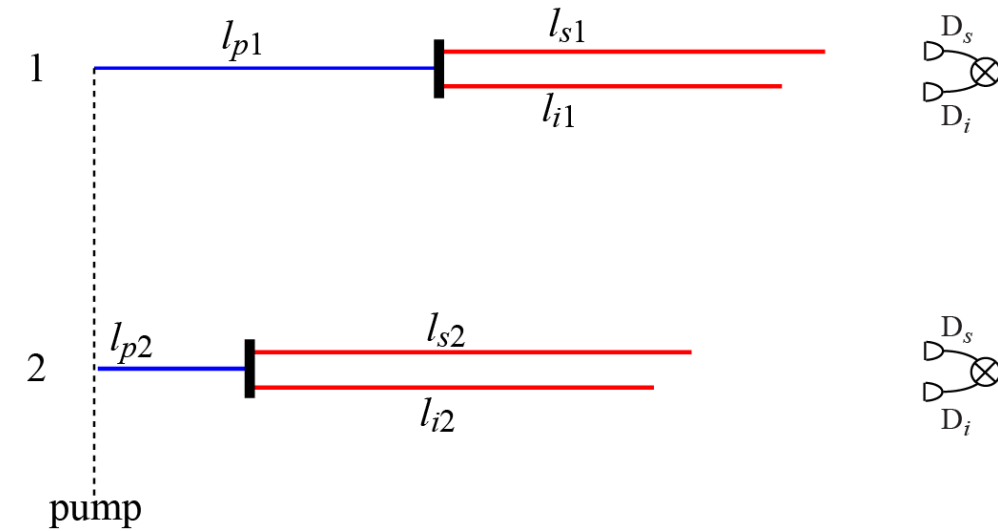
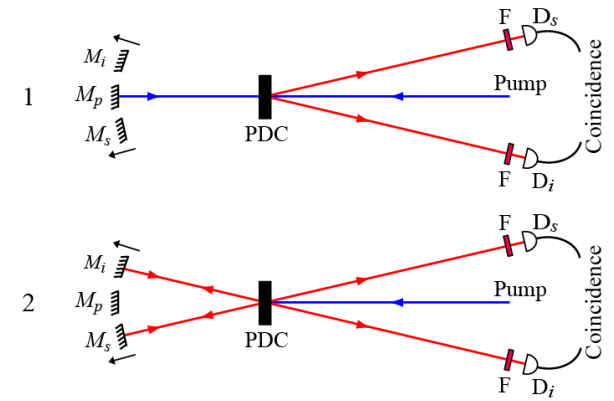
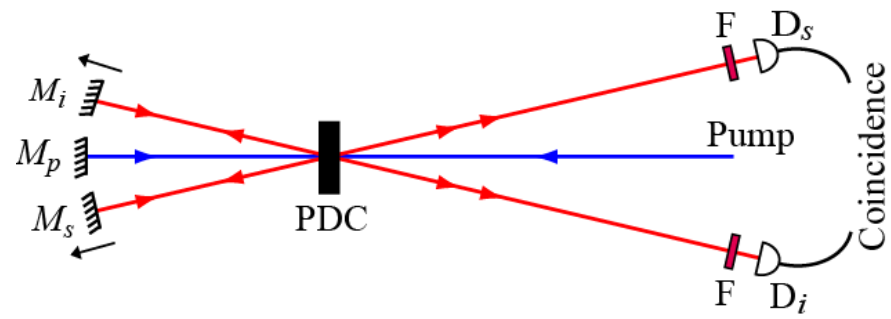
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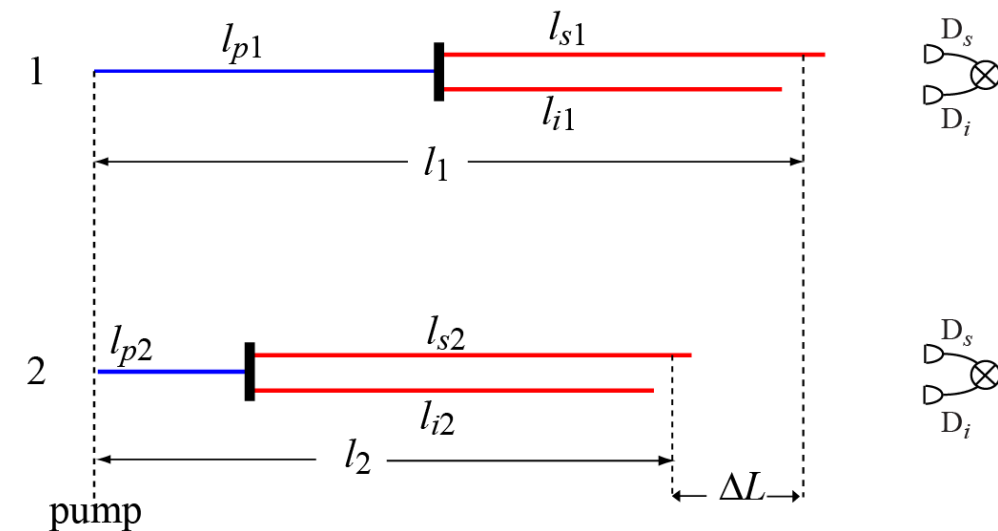
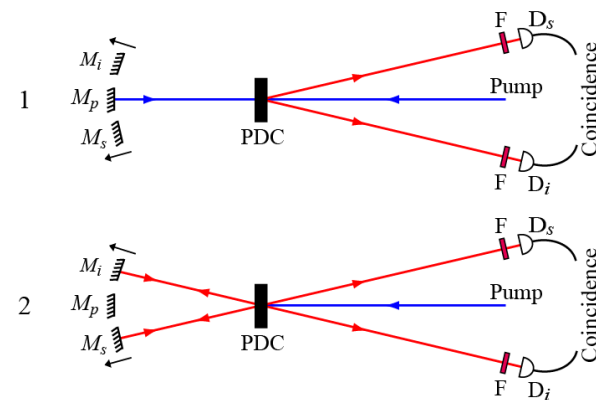
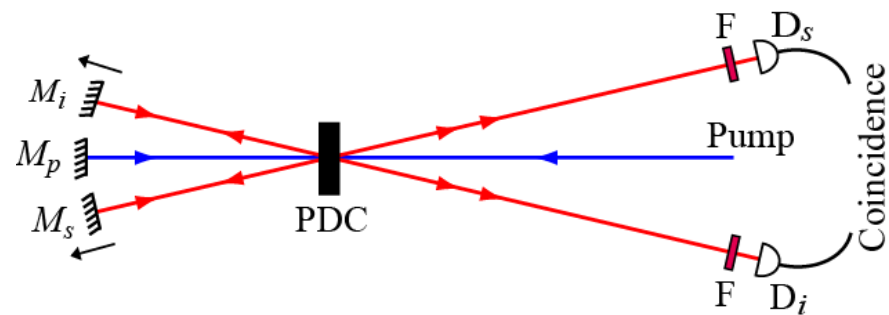
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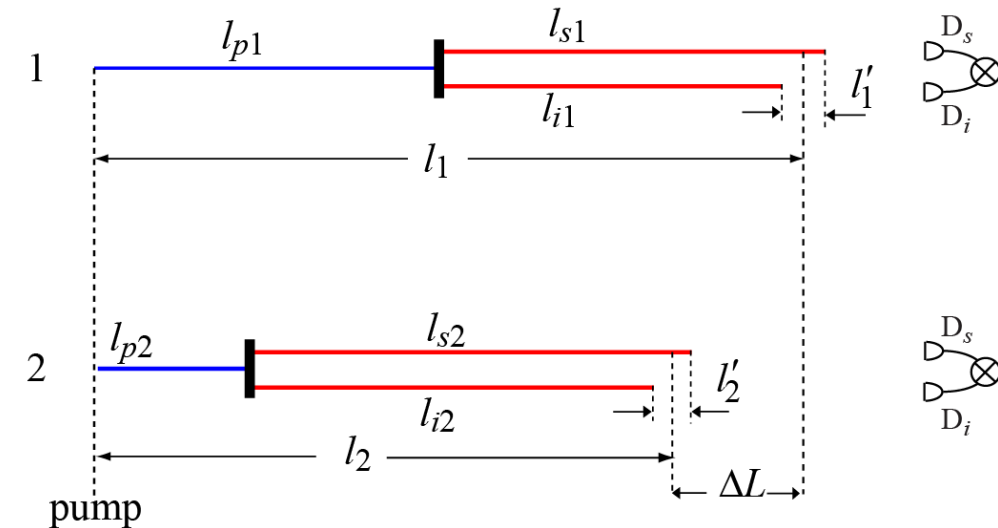
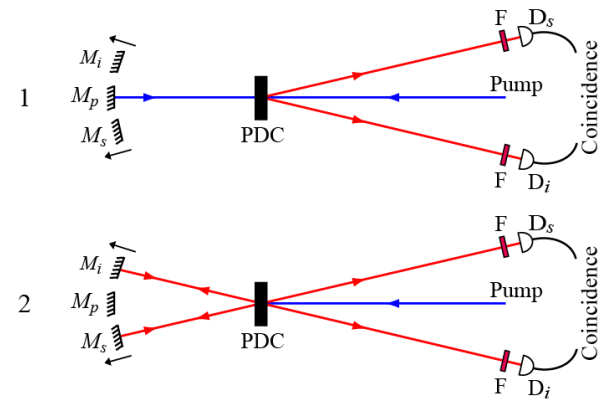
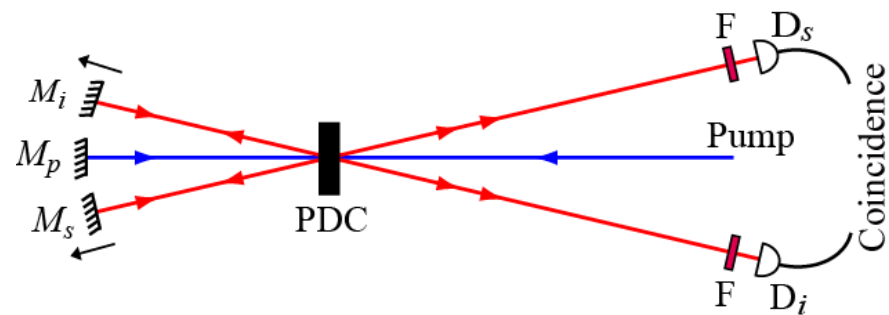
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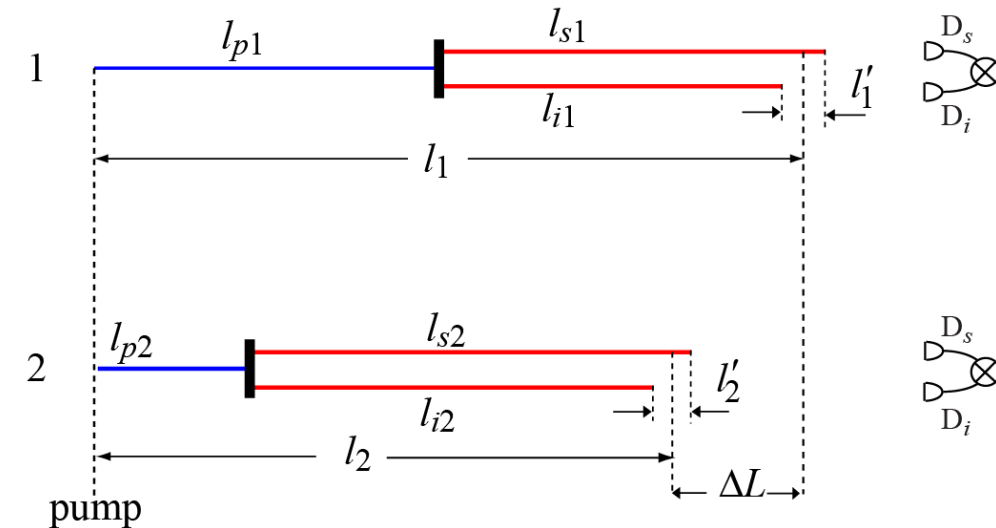
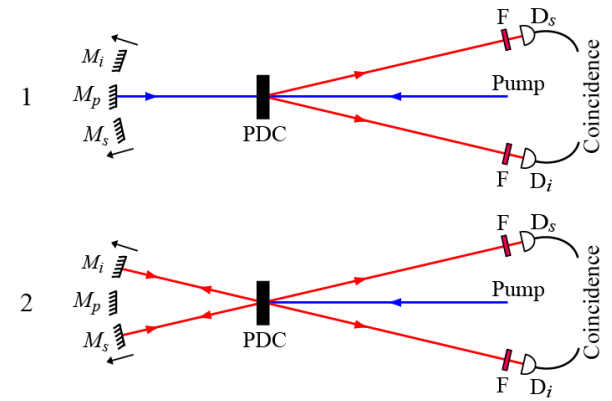
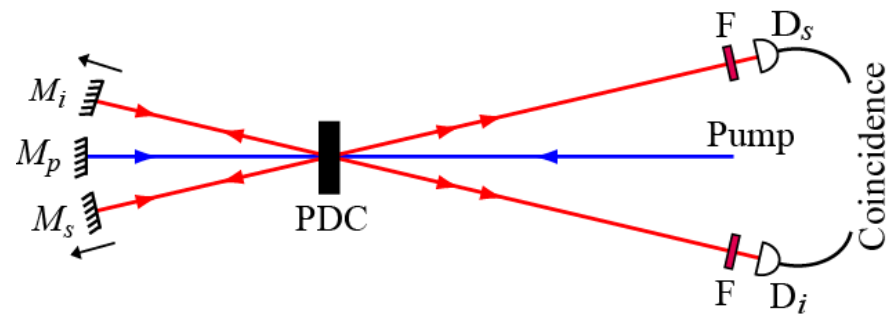
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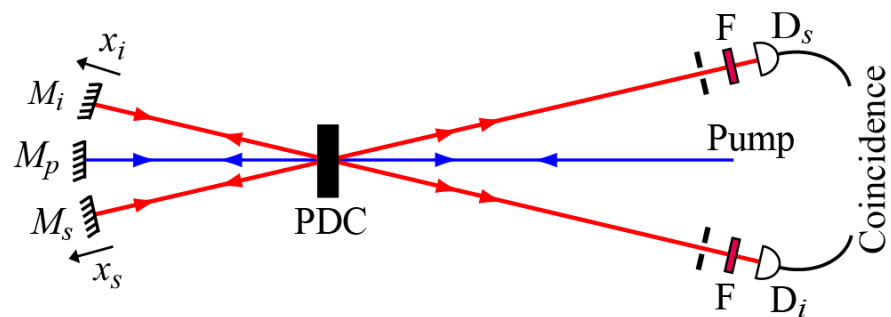
$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} \Delta L < l_{\text{coh}}^p \\ \Delta L' < l_{\text{coh}} \end{array}} \sim 10 \text{ cm}$$

$$= \frac{c}{\Delta \omega} \sim 100 \text{ } \mu\text{m}$$

R. J. Glauber, Phys. Rev. **130**, 2529 (1963)

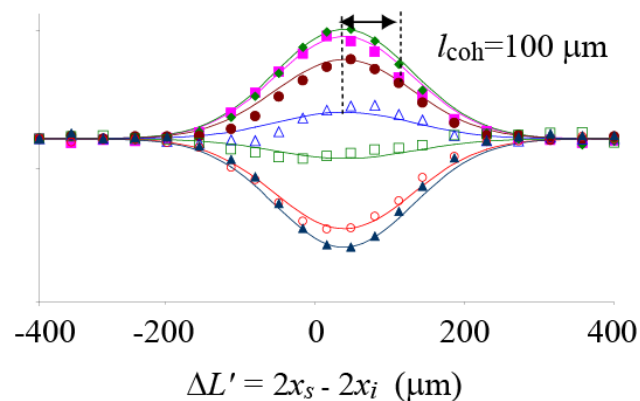
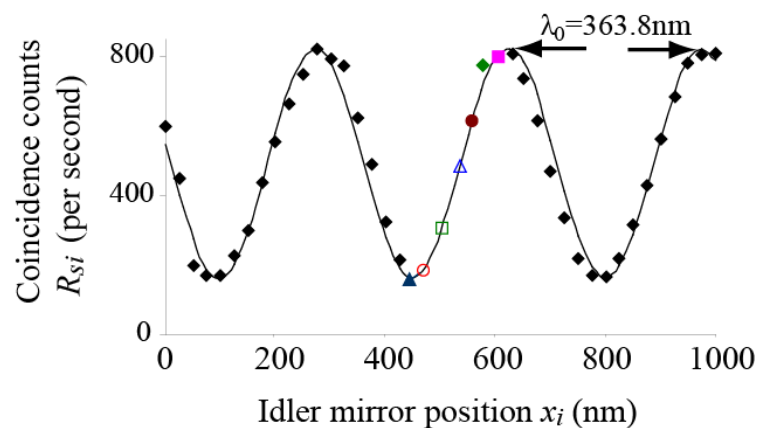
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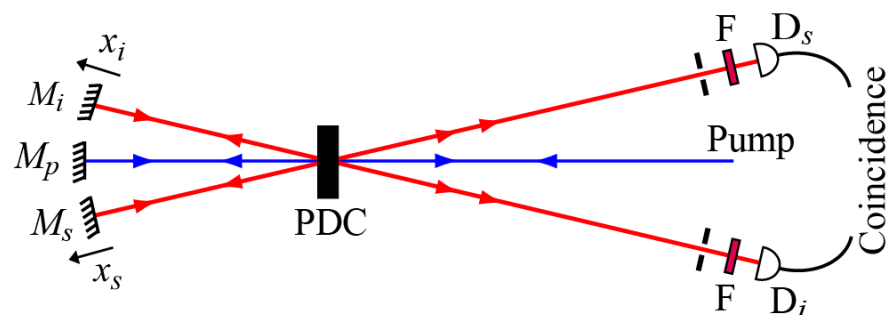


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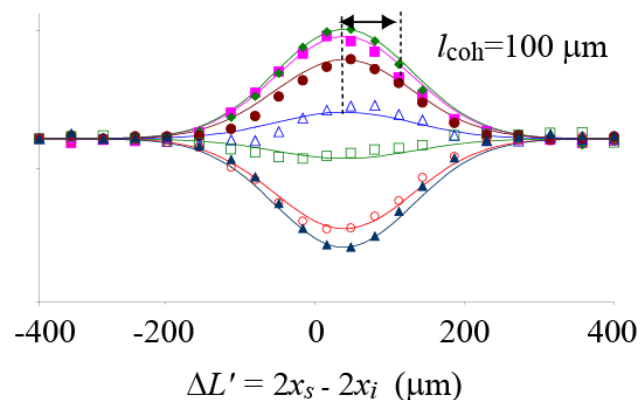
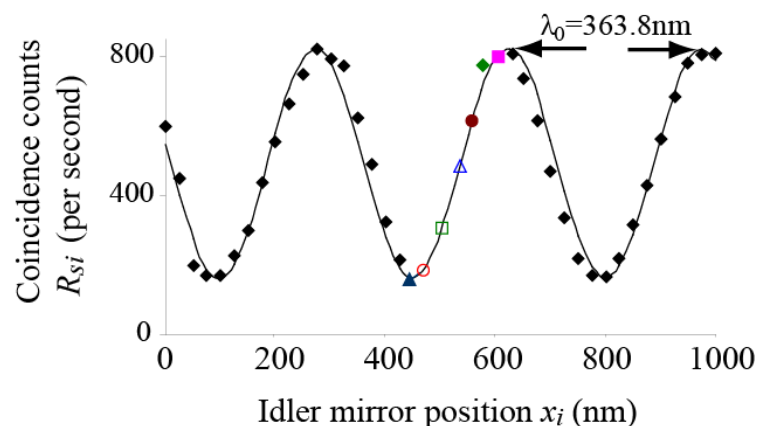
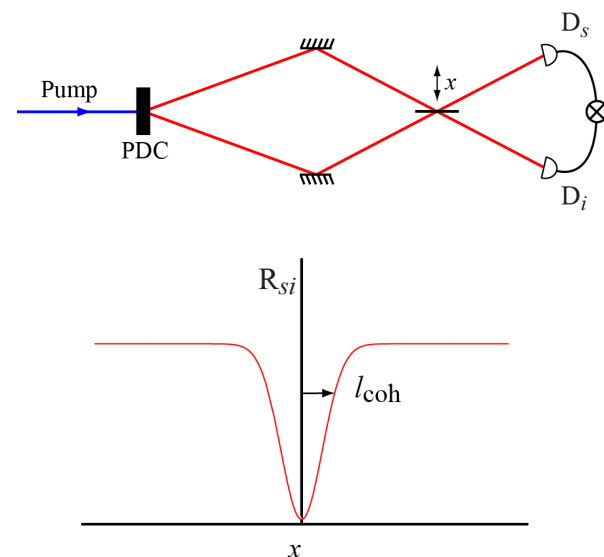


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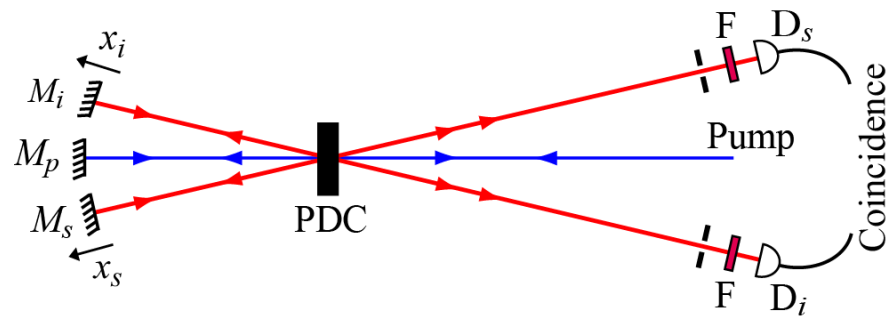
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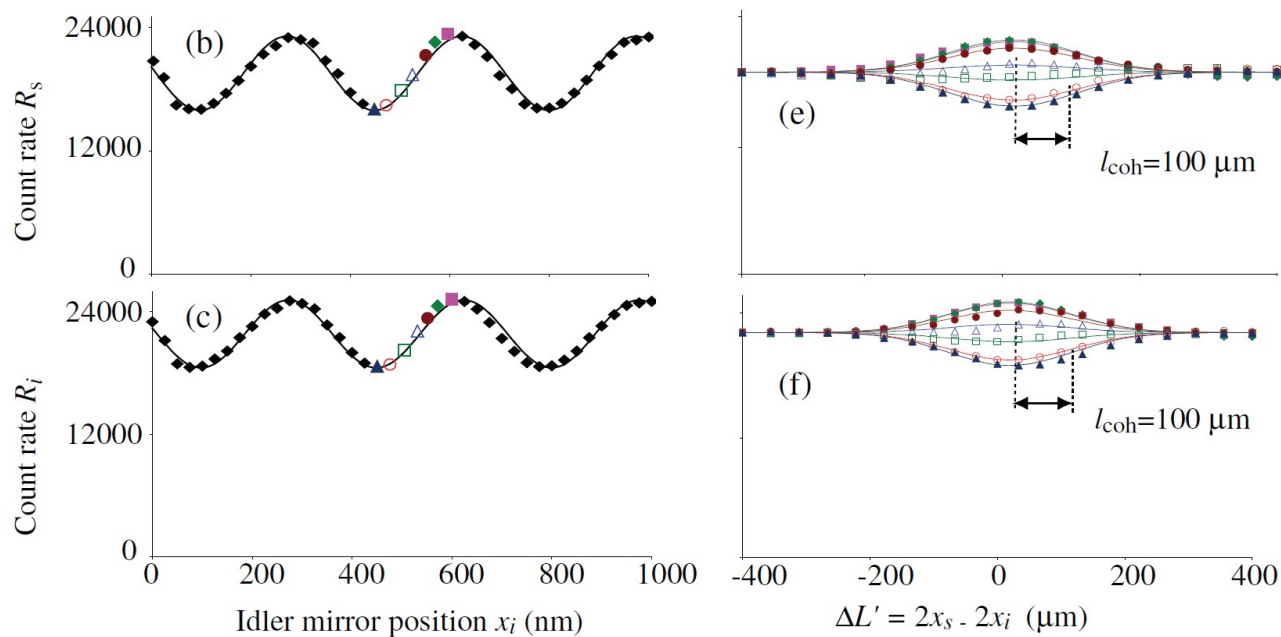


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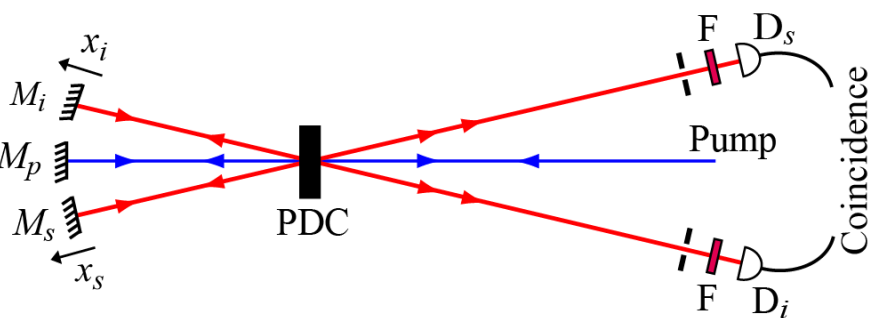


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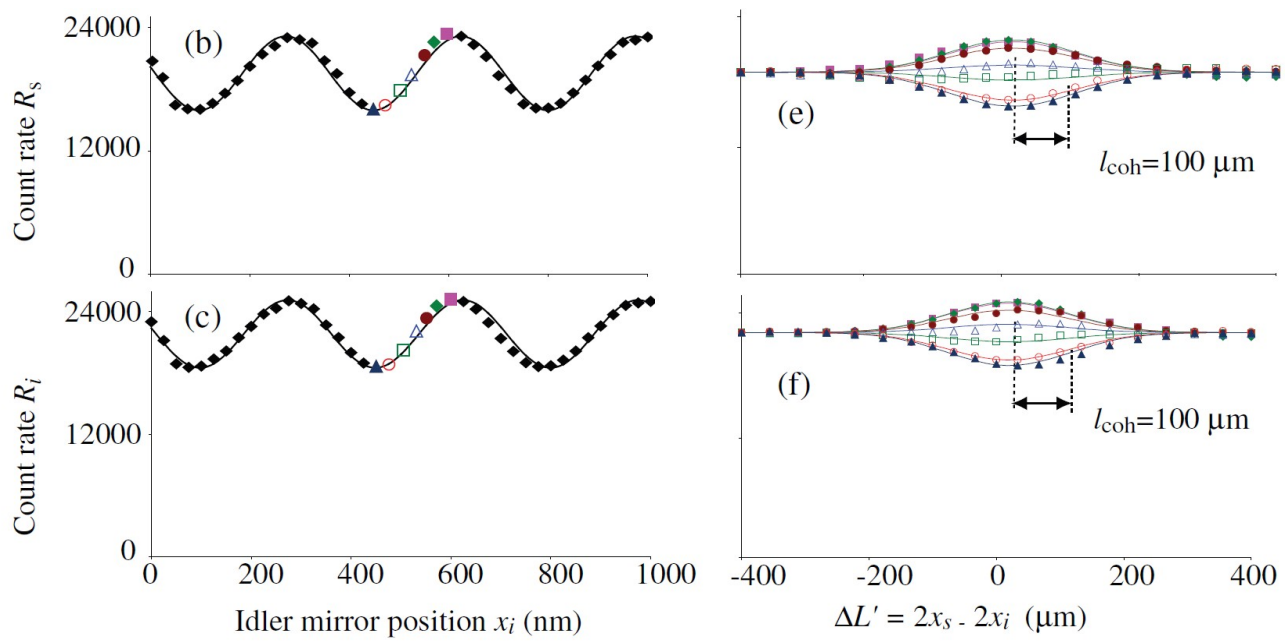
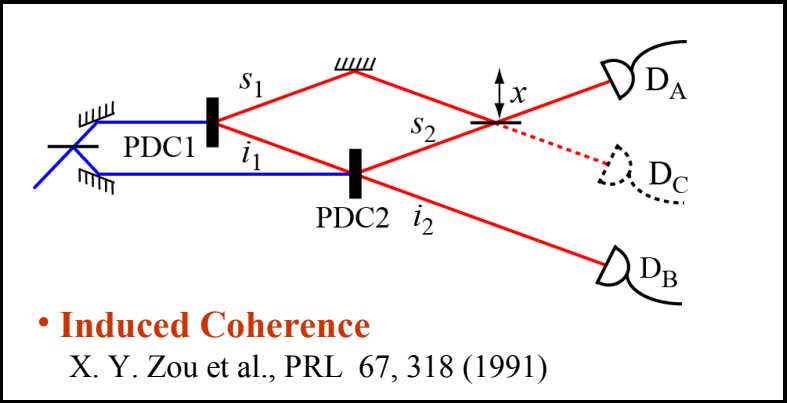


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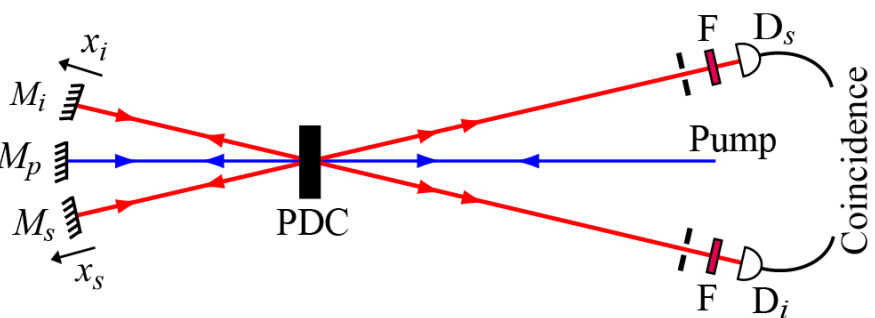


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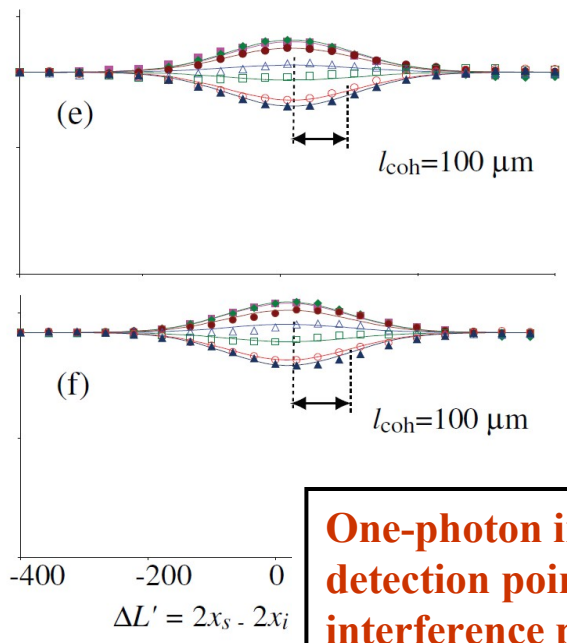
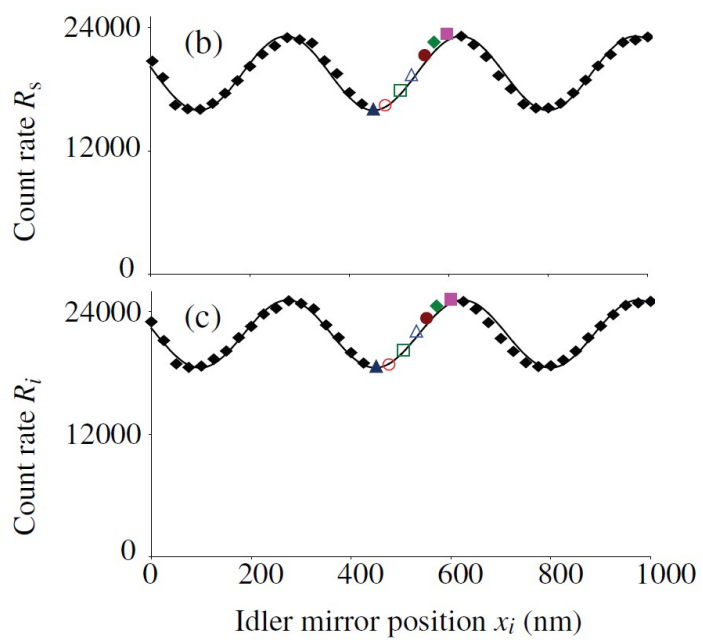
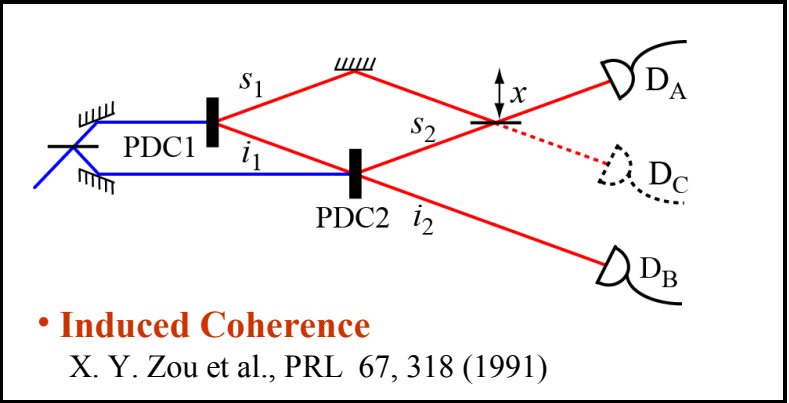


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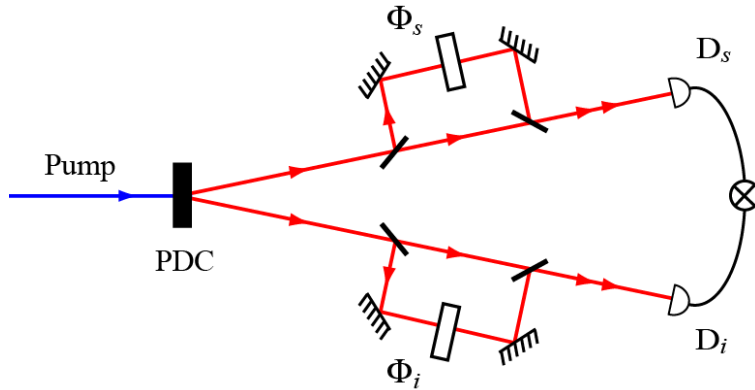
$$R_X = \sum_i R_{XY_i}$$

$$R_s = R_i = R_{si}$$

One-photon interference profile at a given detection point is the sum of the two-photon interference profiles

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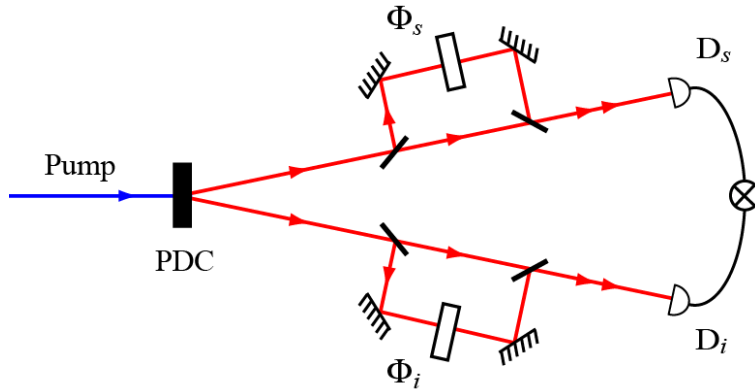
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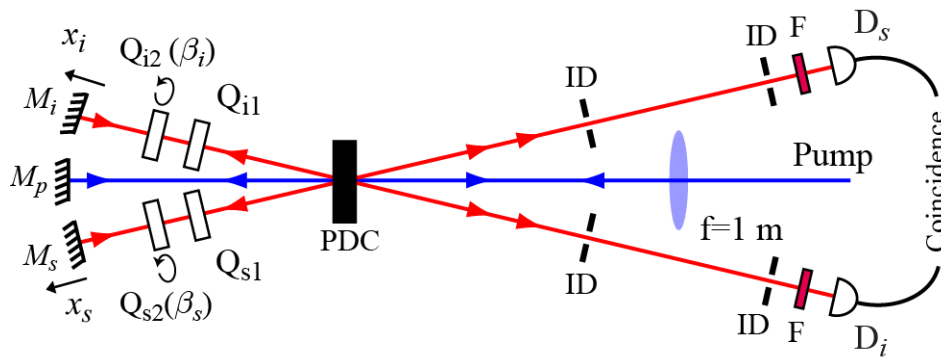
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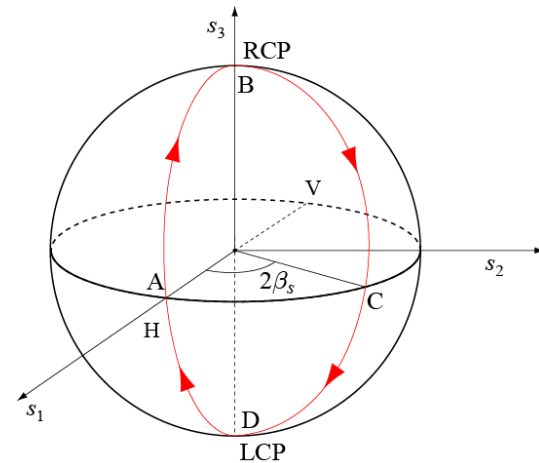
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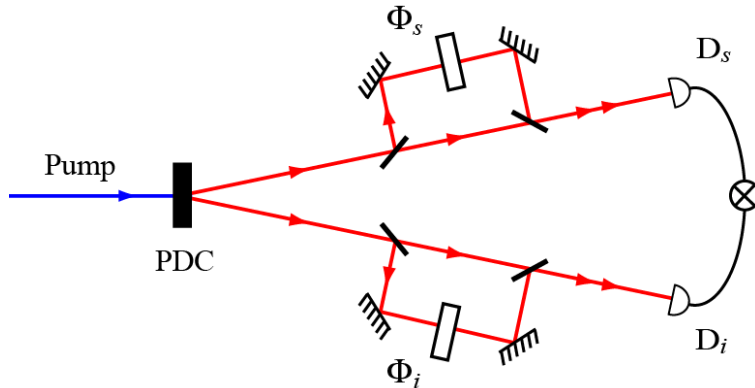
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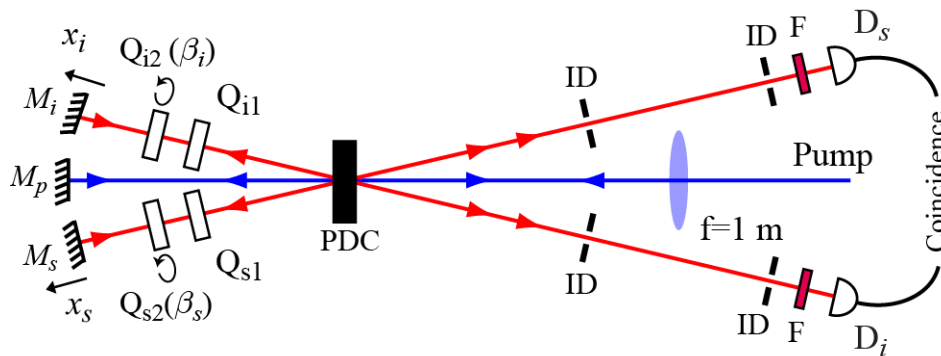
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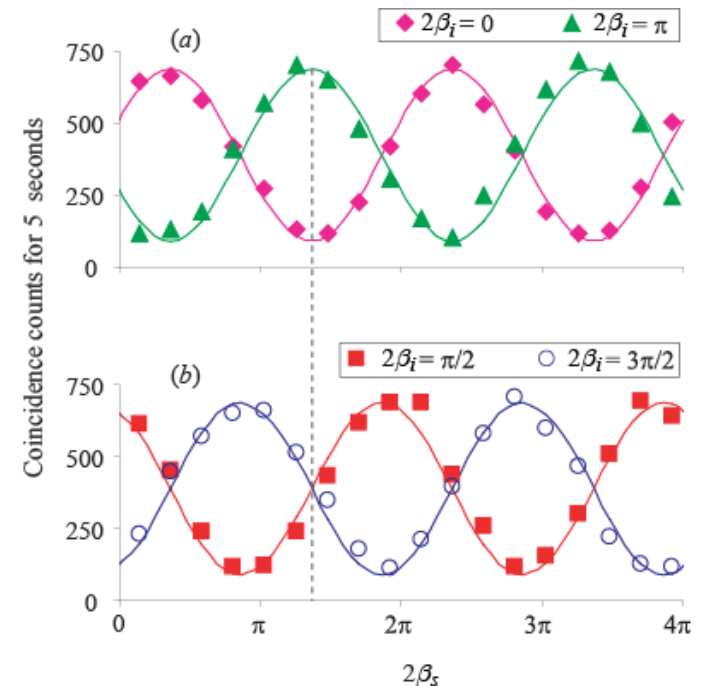
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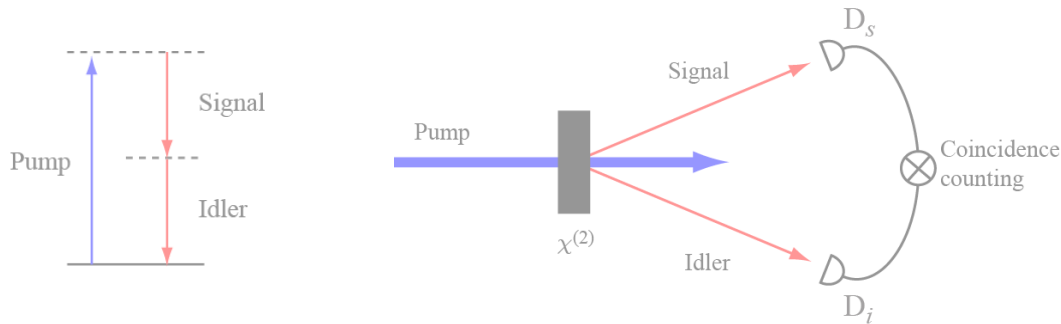
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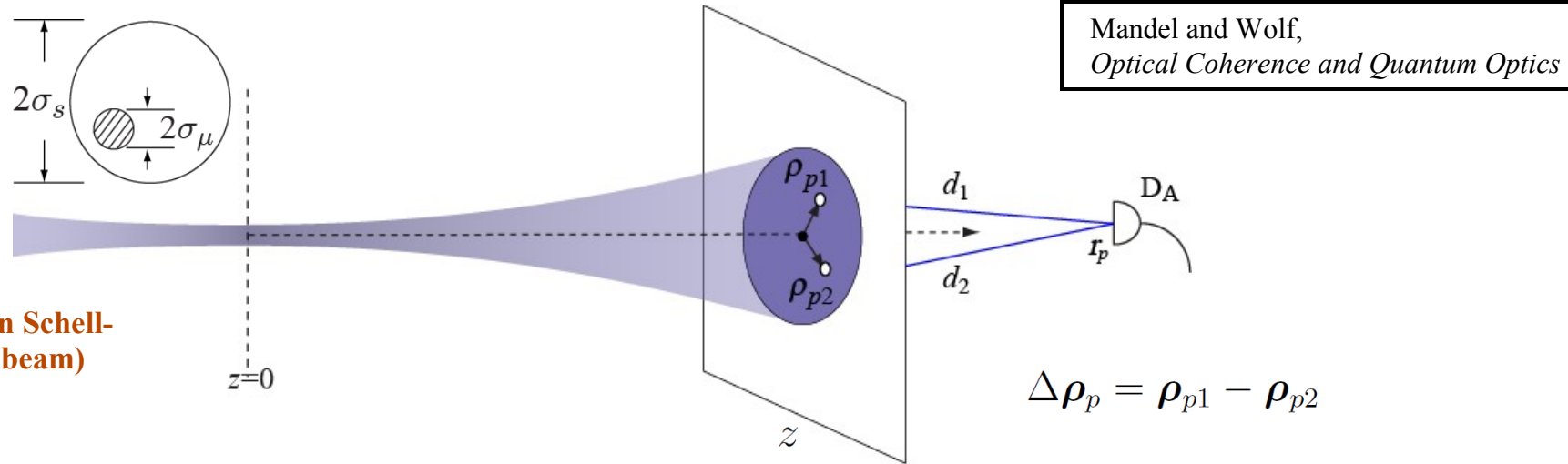
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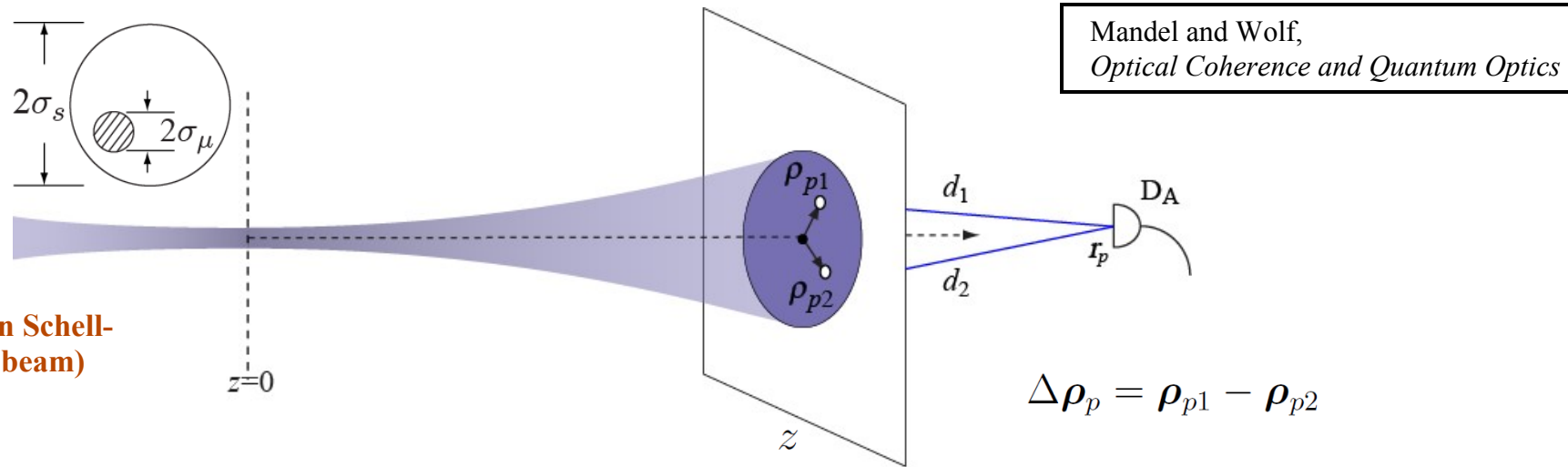
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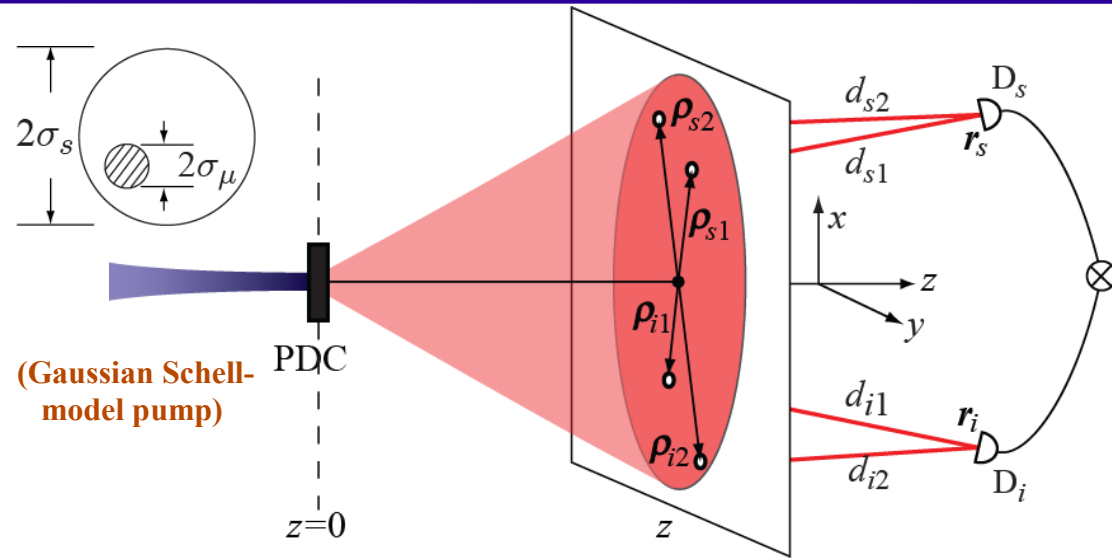
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Degree of coherence:

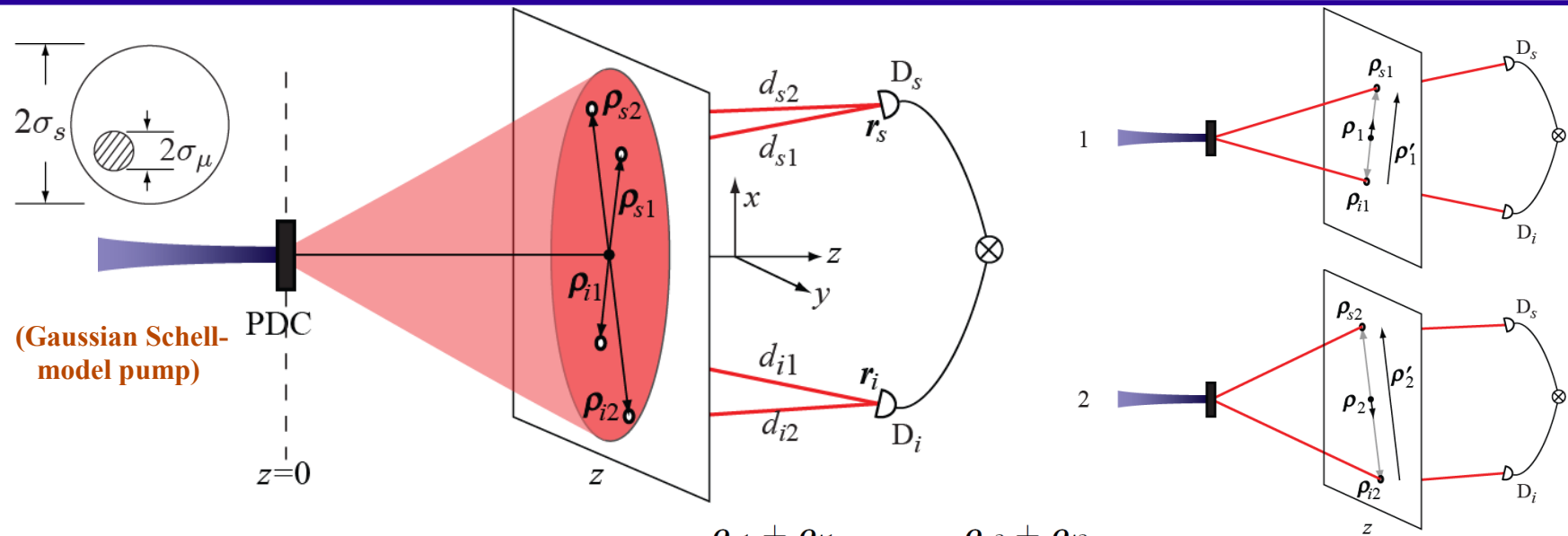
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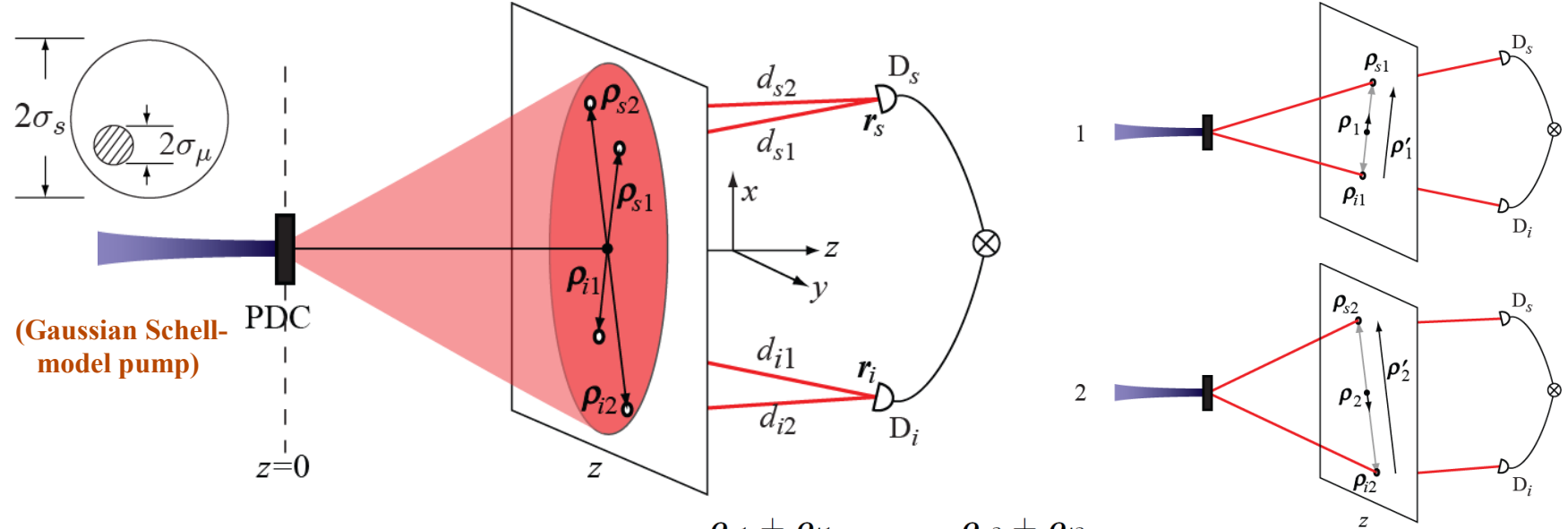
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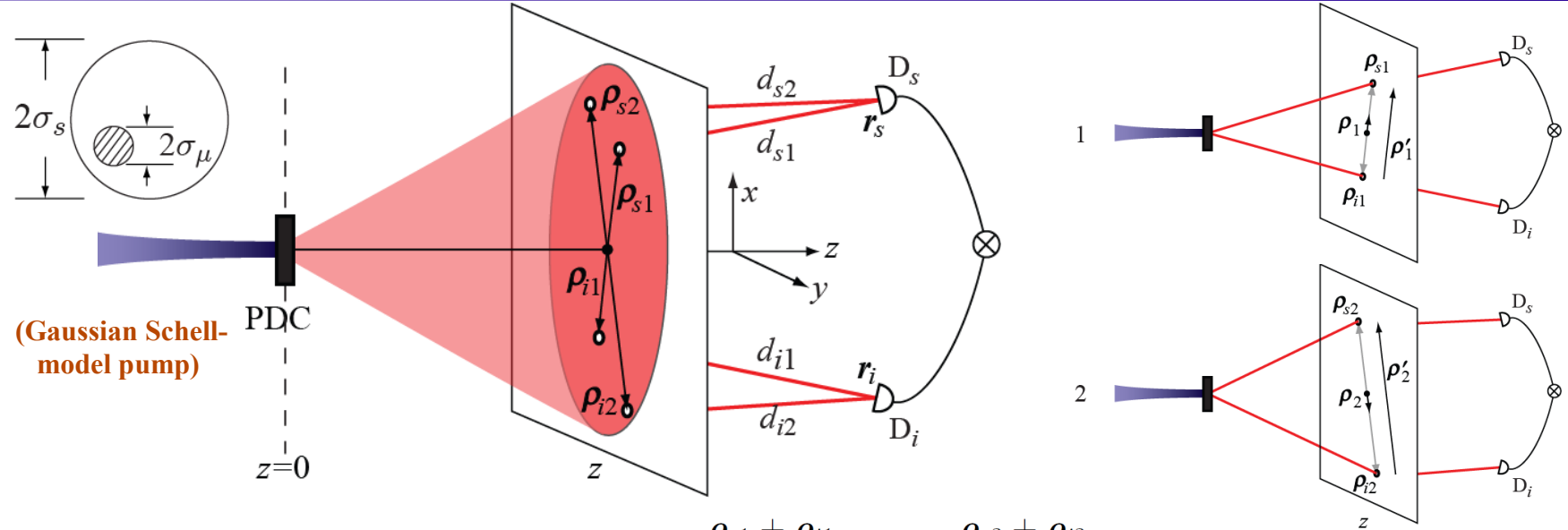
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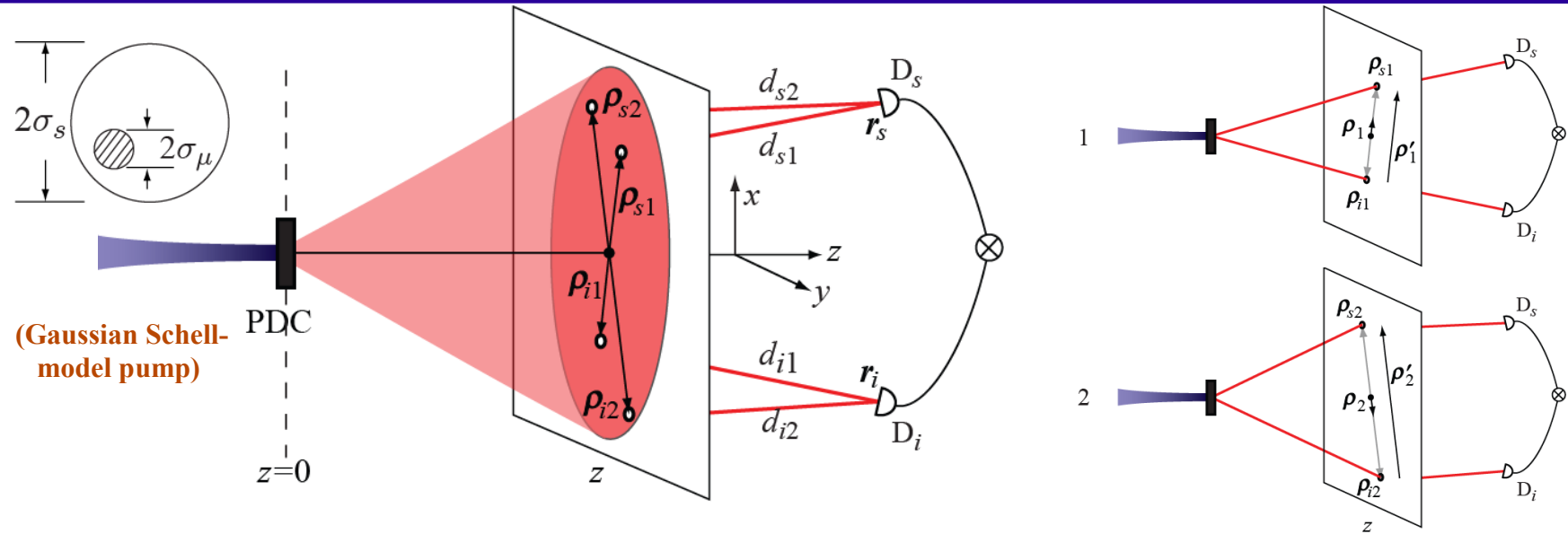
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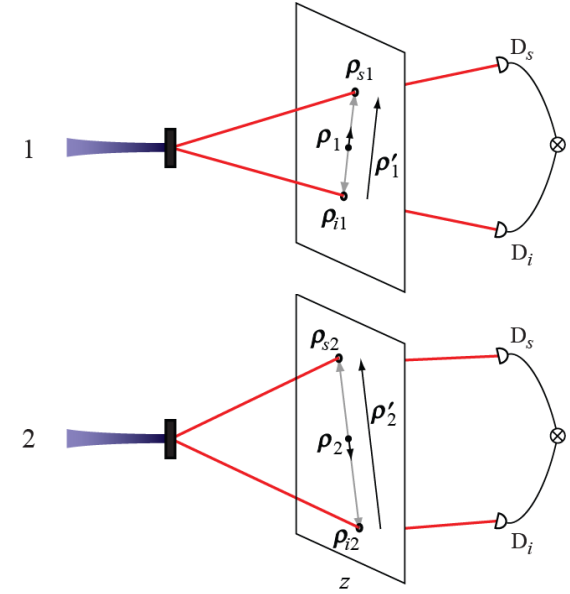
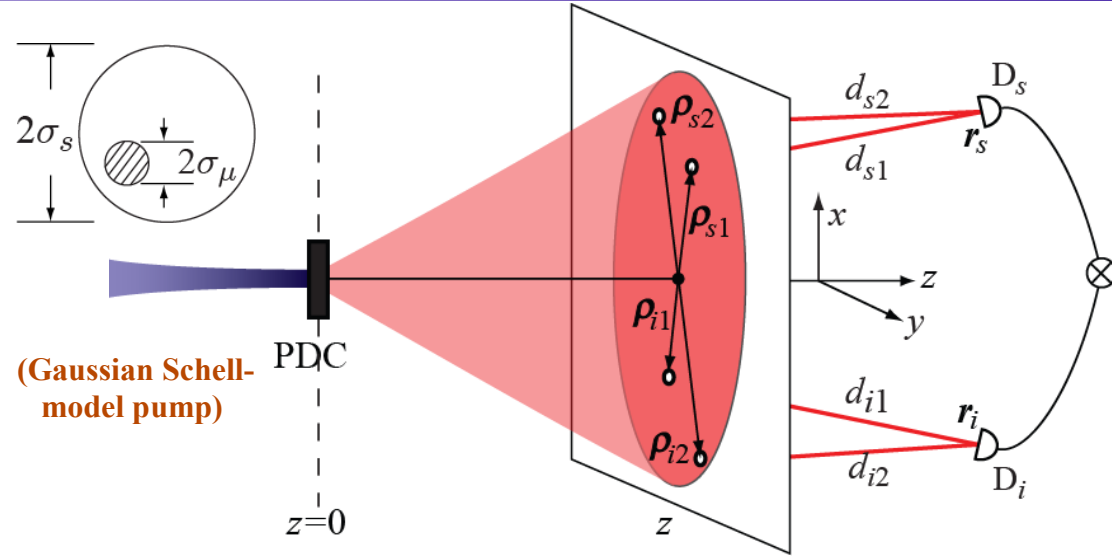
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Two-Photon Coherence and Entanglement



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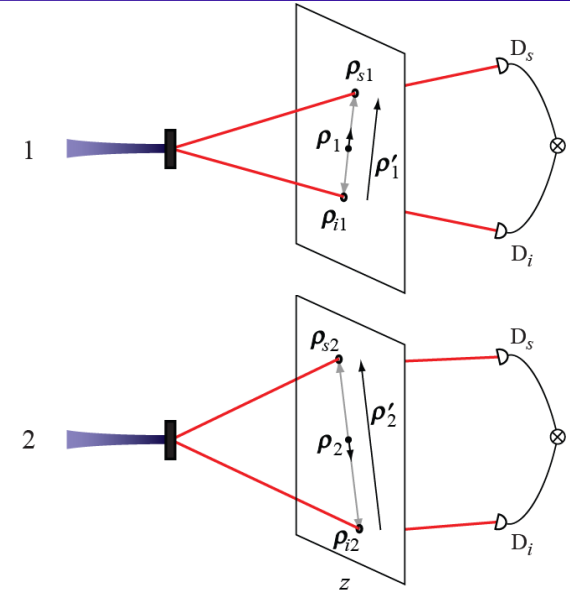
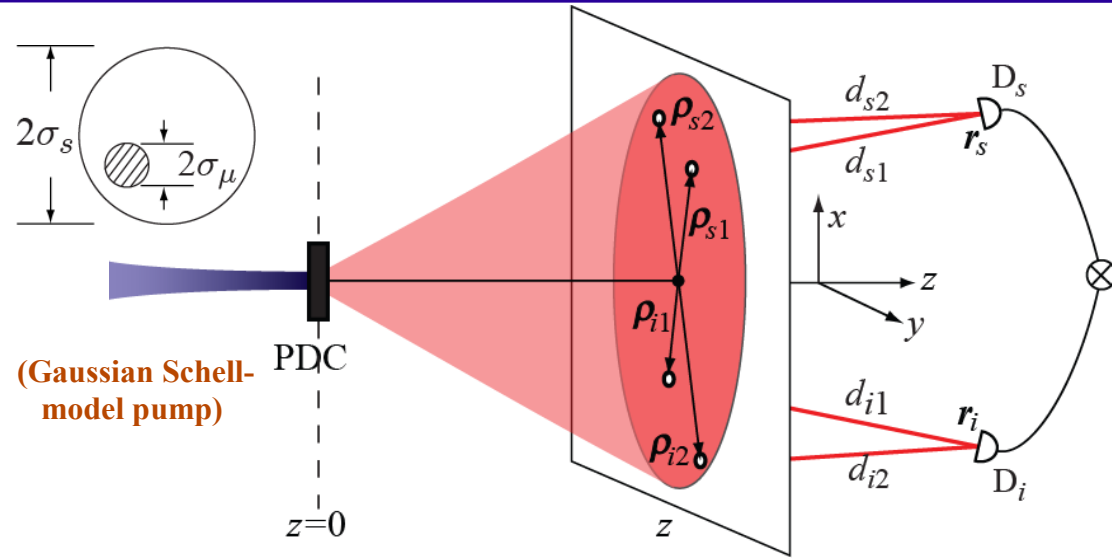
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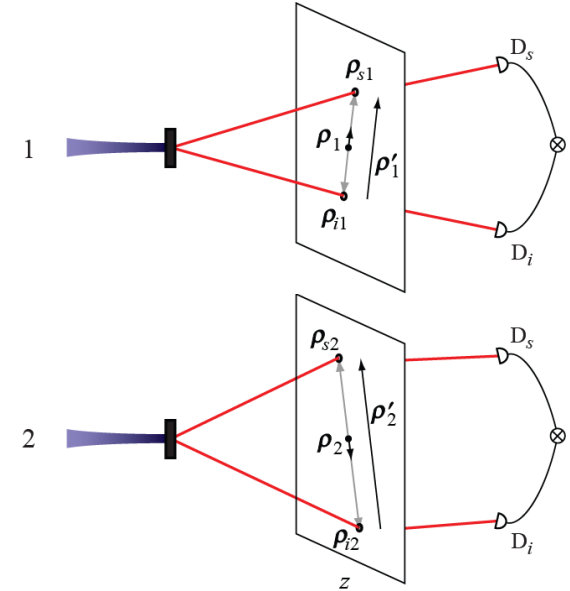
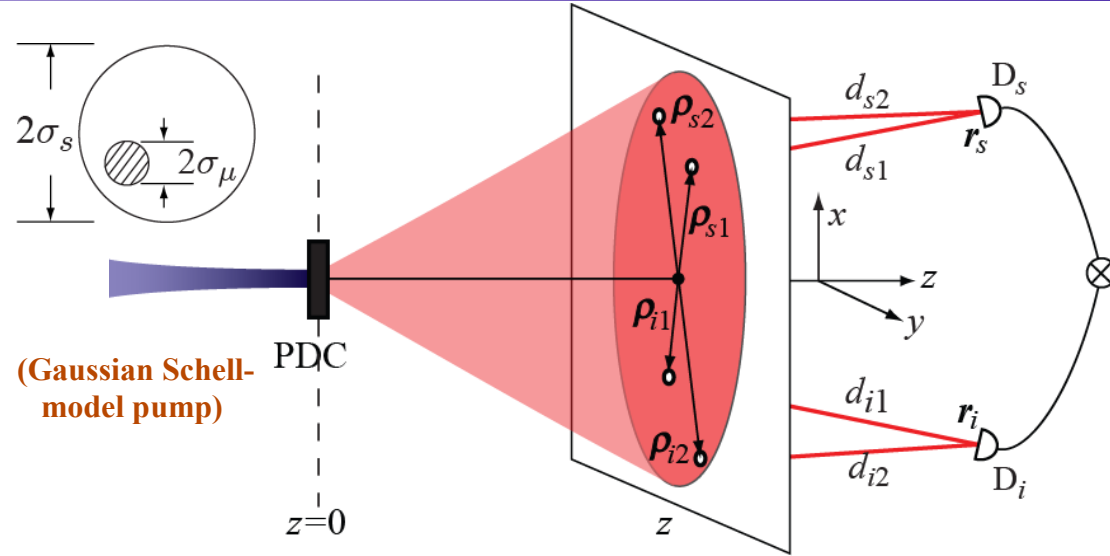
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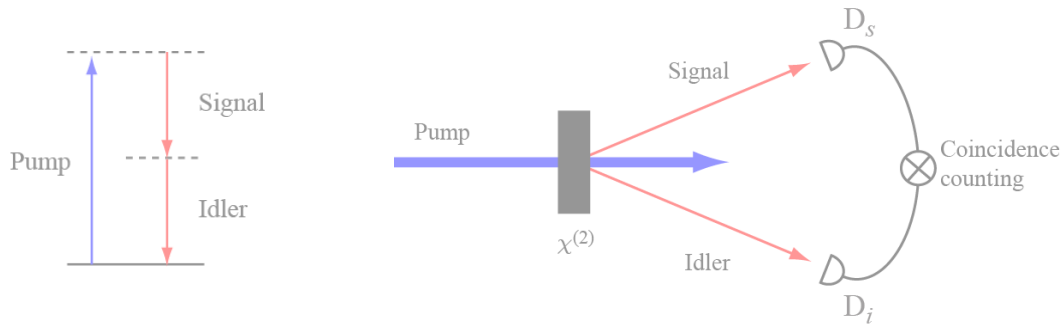
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Introduction and Outline

Quantum Entanglement

- EPR paradox and non-locality, Hidden variable theories, Bell inequalities ...
- Quantum cryptography, Quantum dense coding, Quantum lithography...

Parametric down-conversion provides a source of entangled photons



$$\omega_p = \omega_s + \omega_i$$

Entanglement in time and energy

“Temporal” two-photon coherence

$$\mathbf{q}_p = \mathbf{q}_s + \mathbf{q}_i$$

Entanglement in position and momentum

“Spatial” two-photon coherence

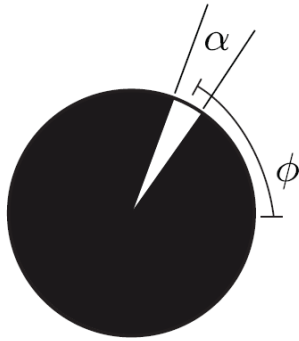
$$l_p = l_s + l_i$$

Entanglement in angular position and orbital angular momentum

“Angular” two-photon coherence

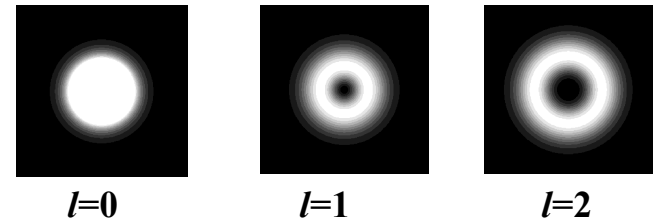
Angular Fourier Relationship

Angular position



Laguerre-Gauss basis

$$LG_p^l \quad \text{with } p=0$$



Allen et al., PRA **45**, 8185 (1992)

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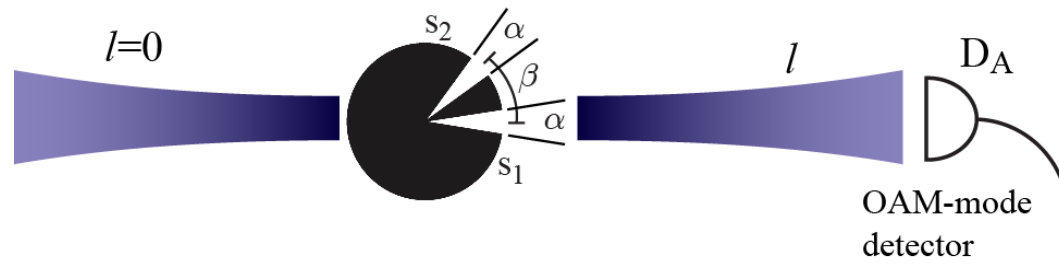
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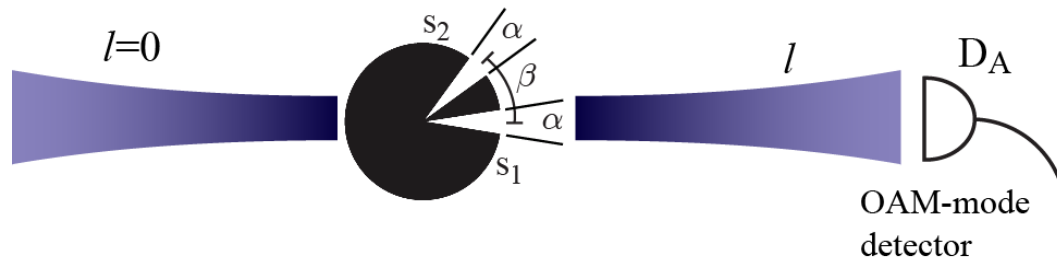
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Angular One-Photon Interference



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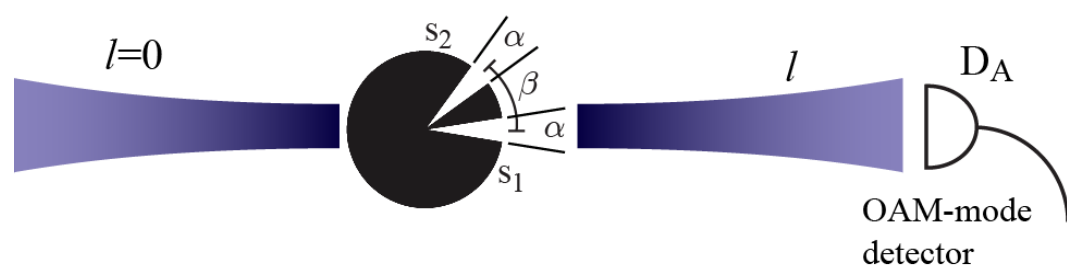


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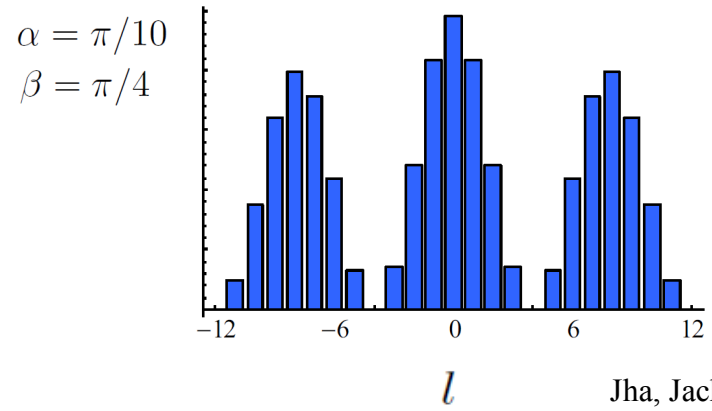


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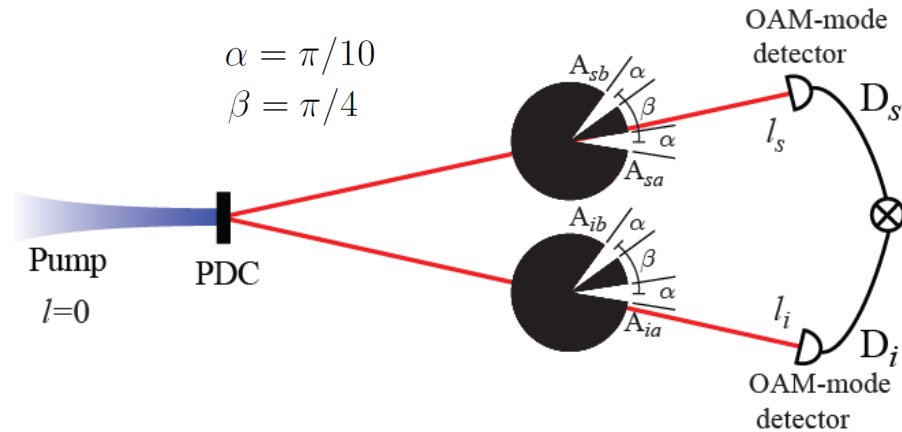
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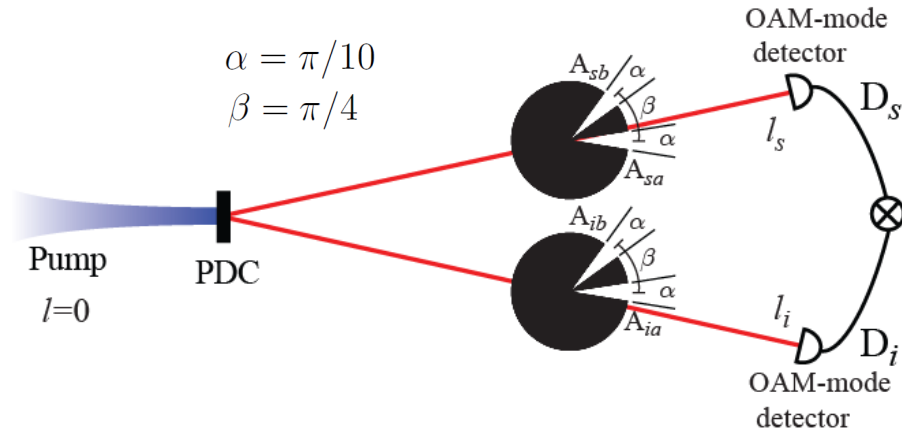
Angular Two-Photon Interference



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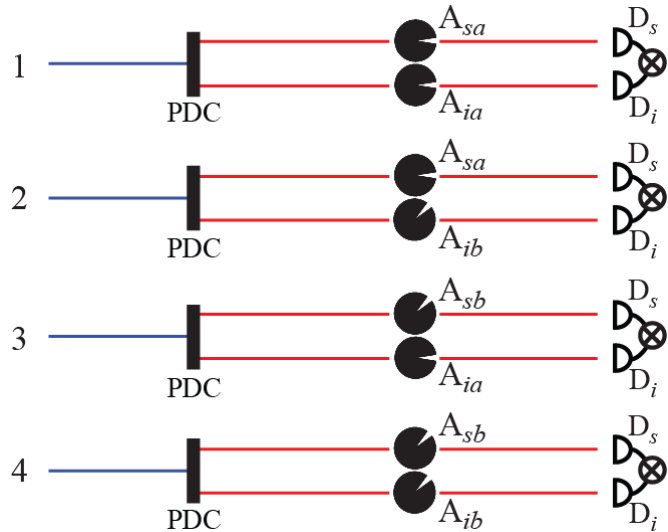


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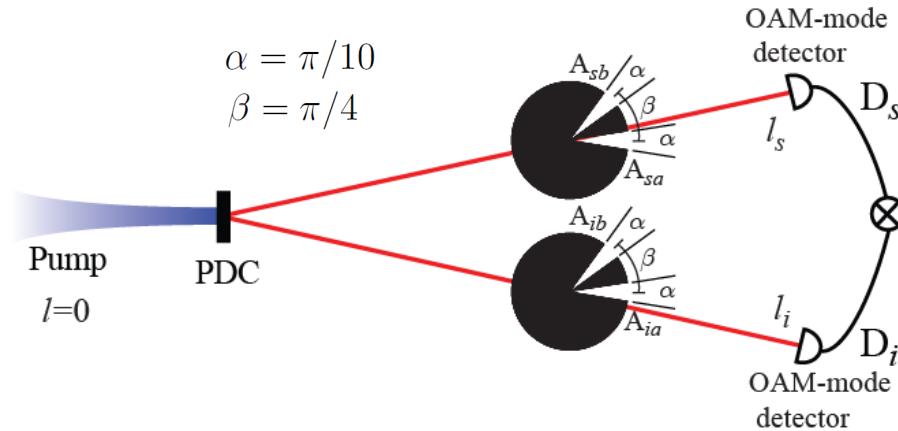
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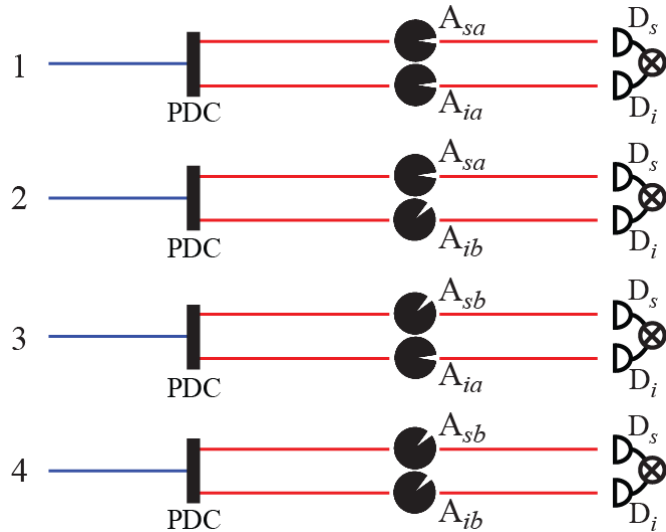


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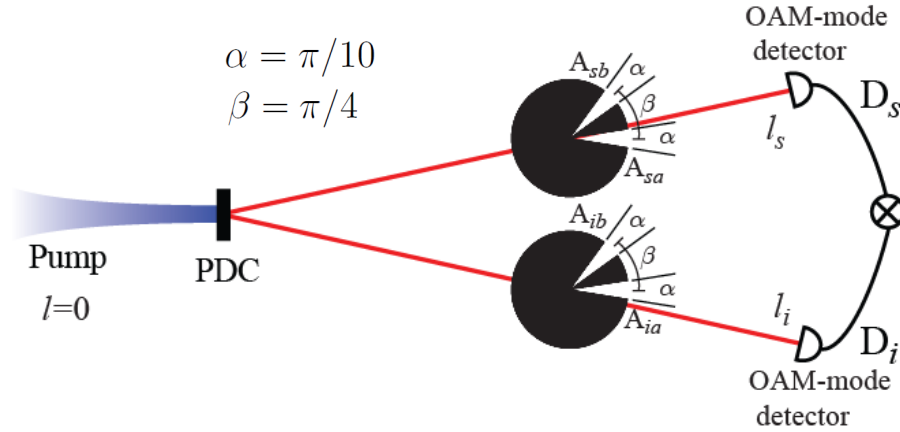


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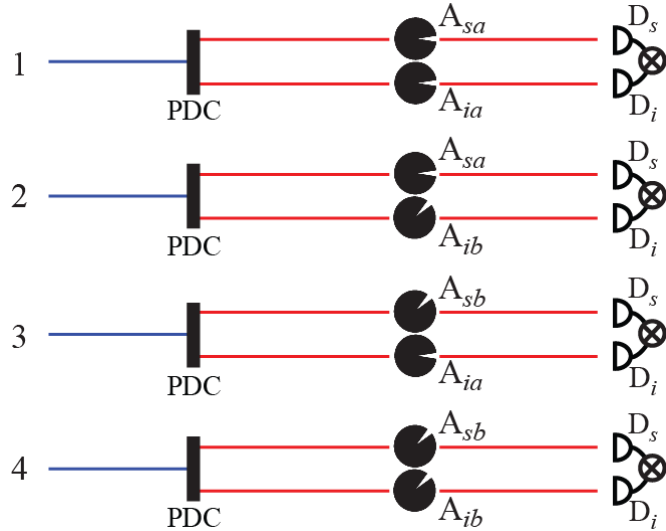


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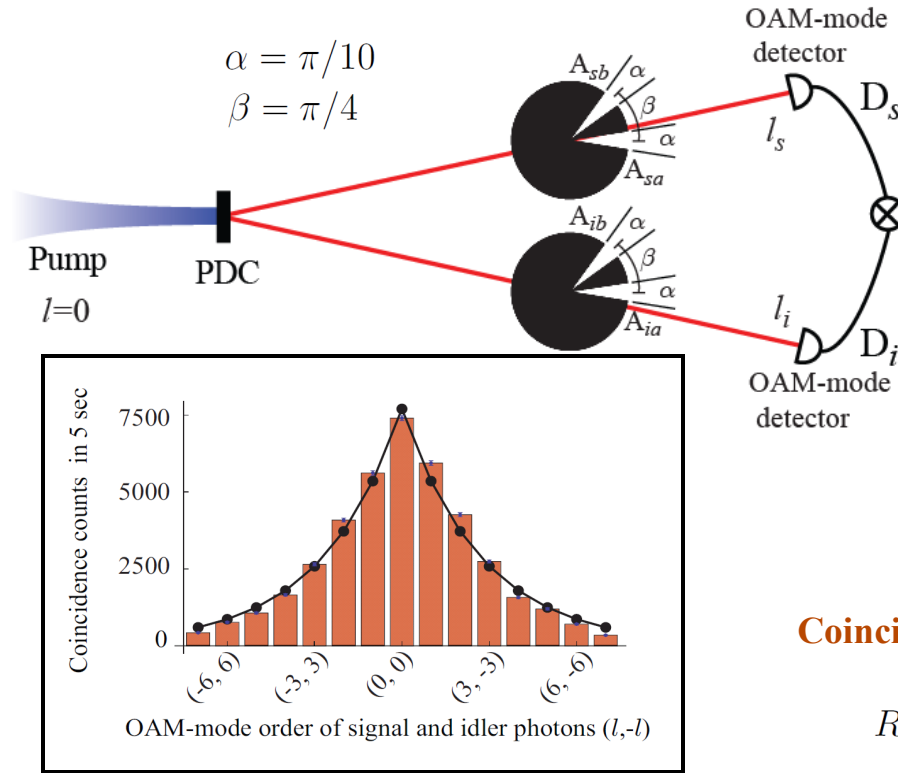
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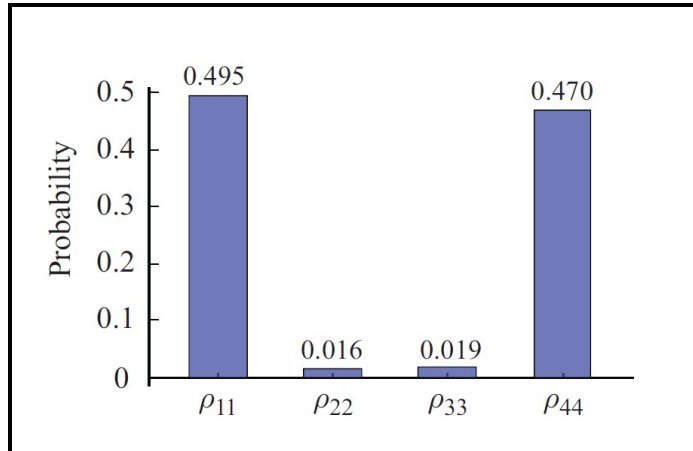
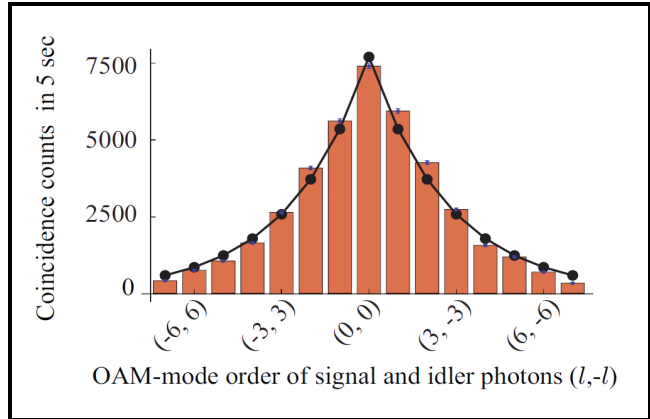
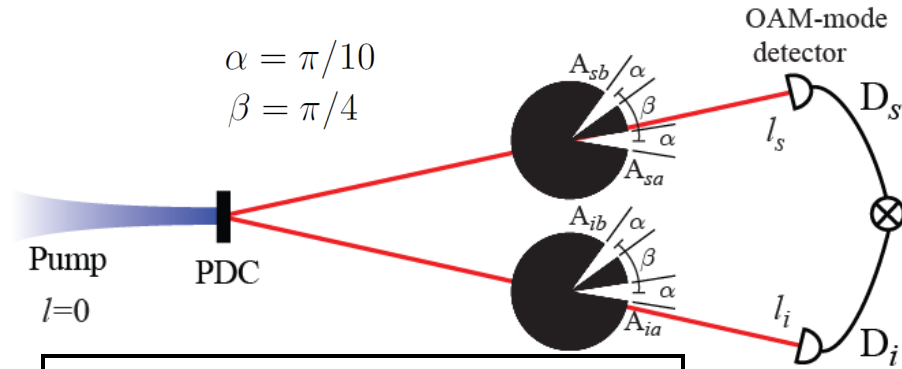
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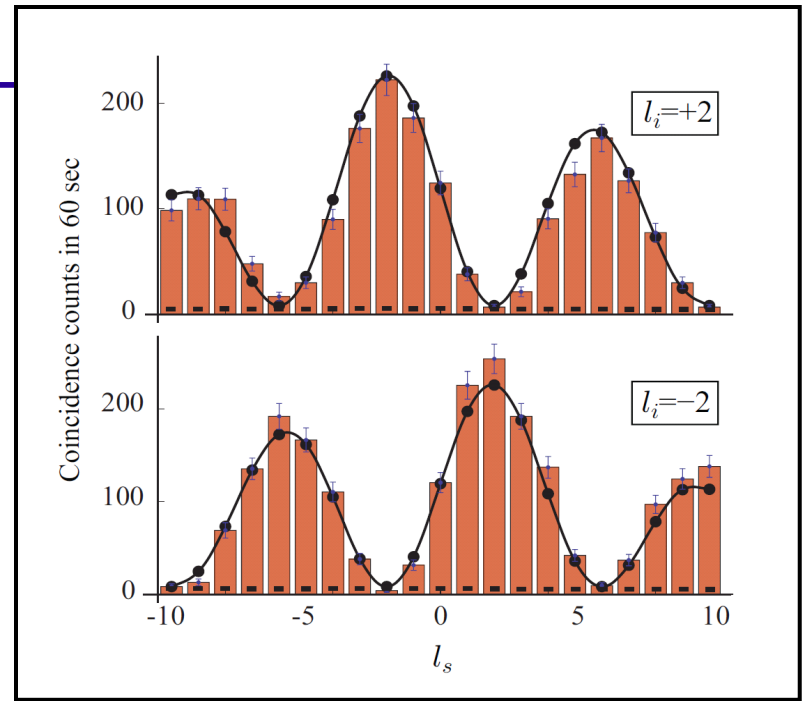
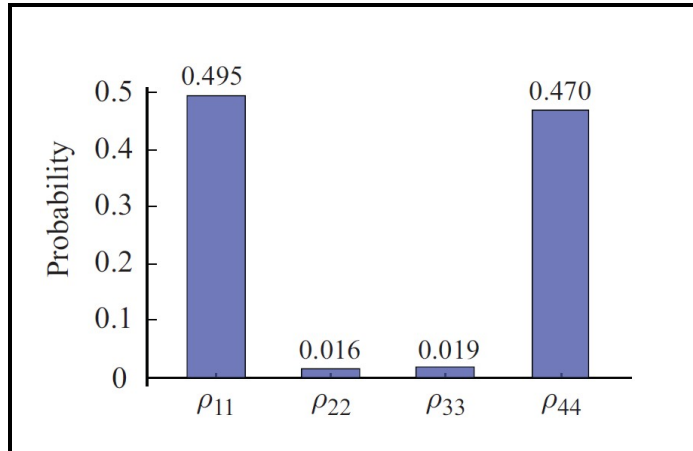
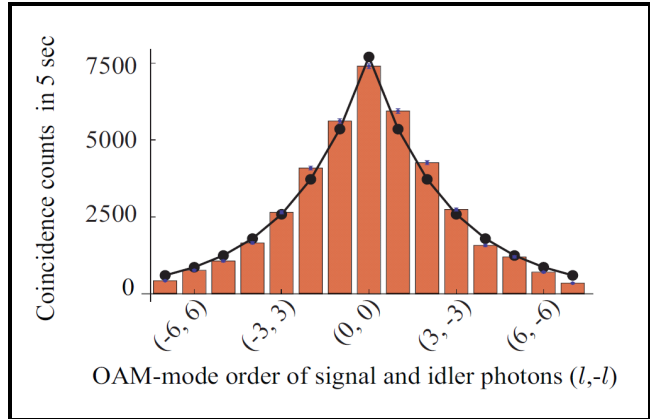
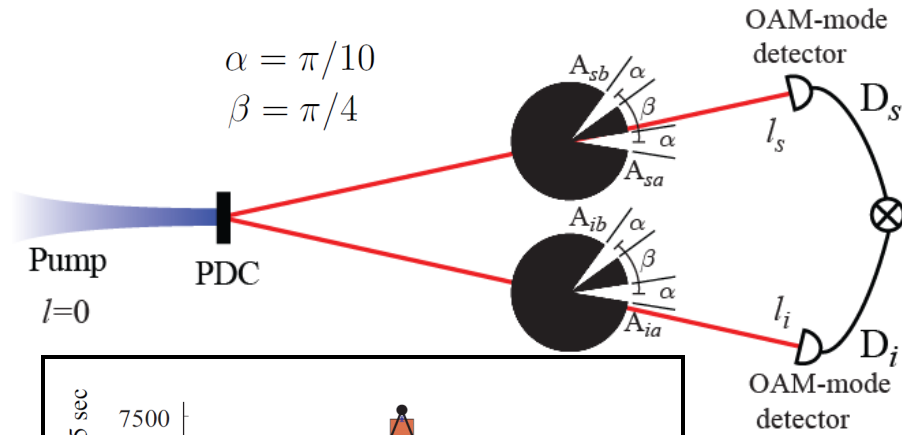
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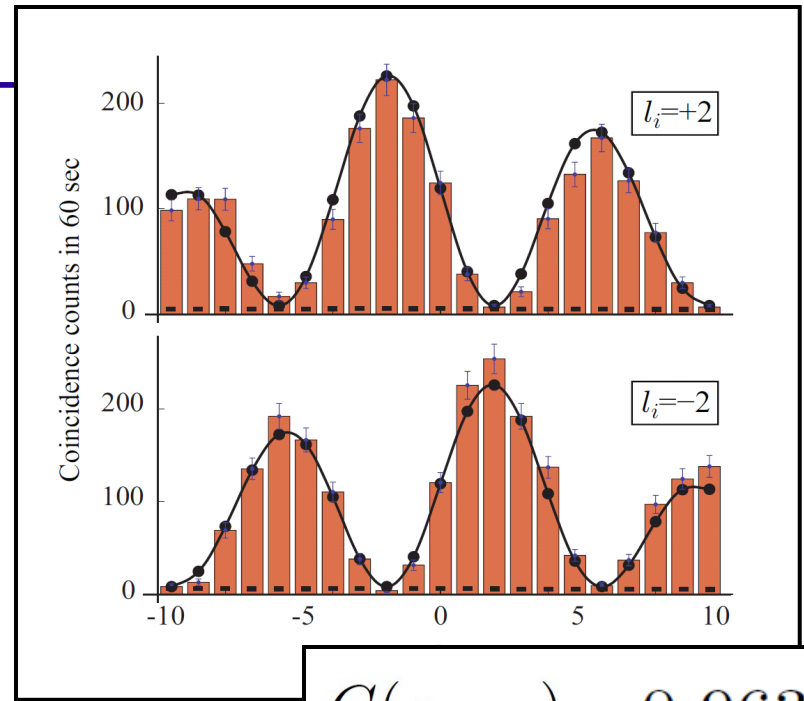
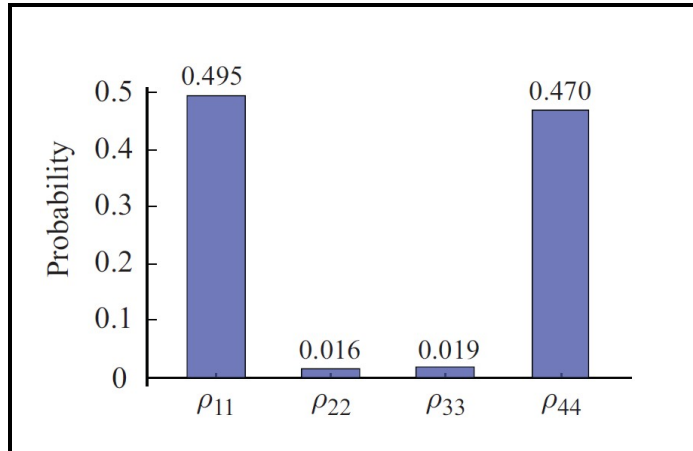
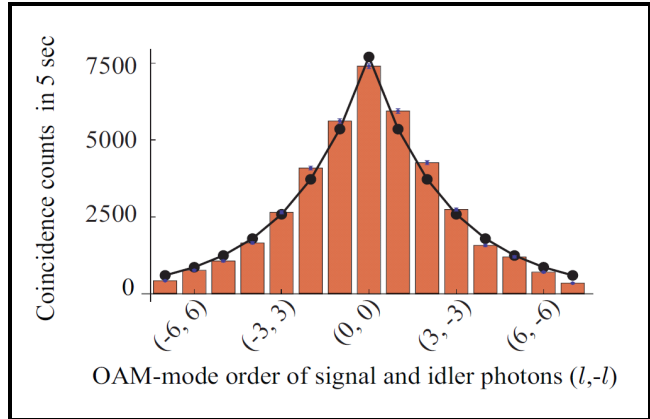
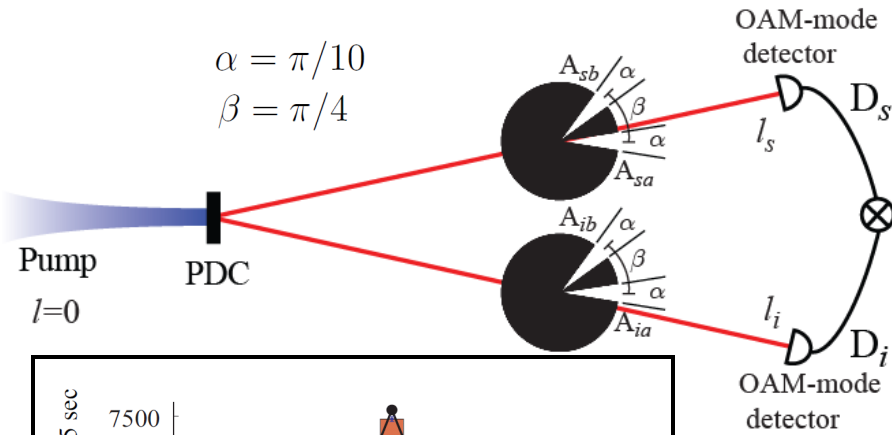
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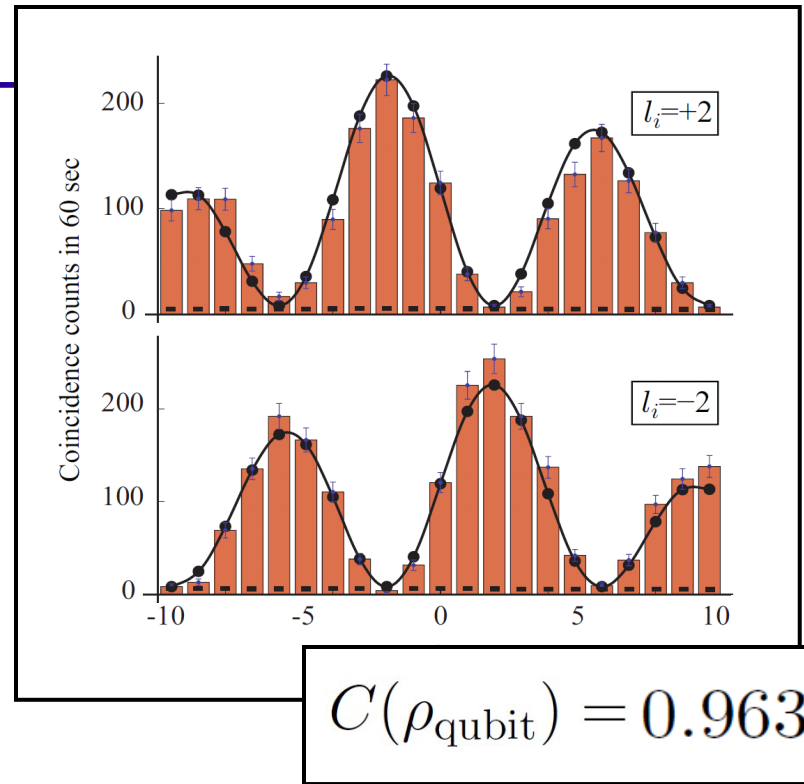
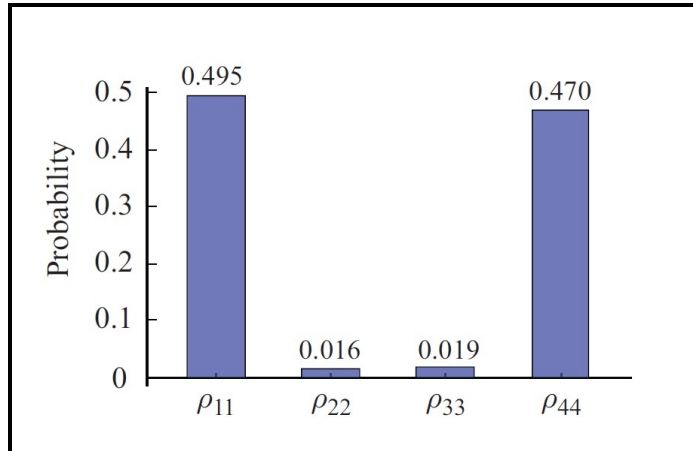
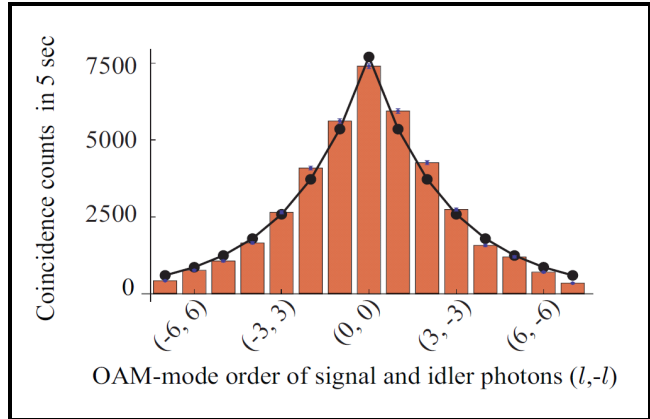
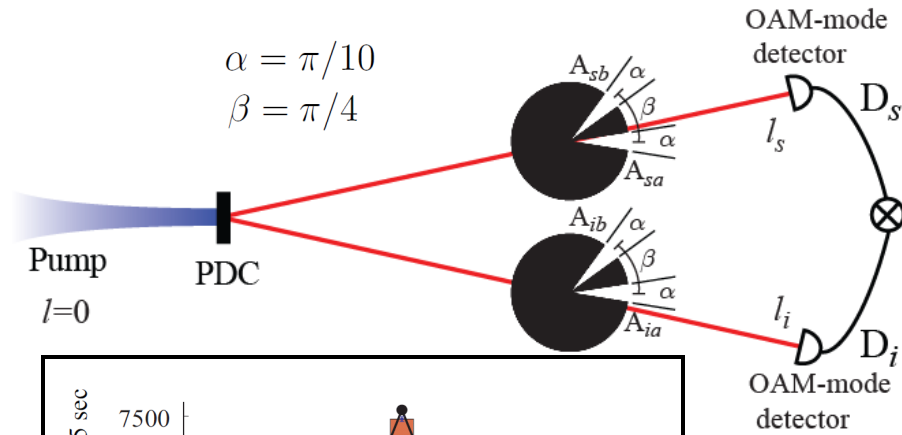
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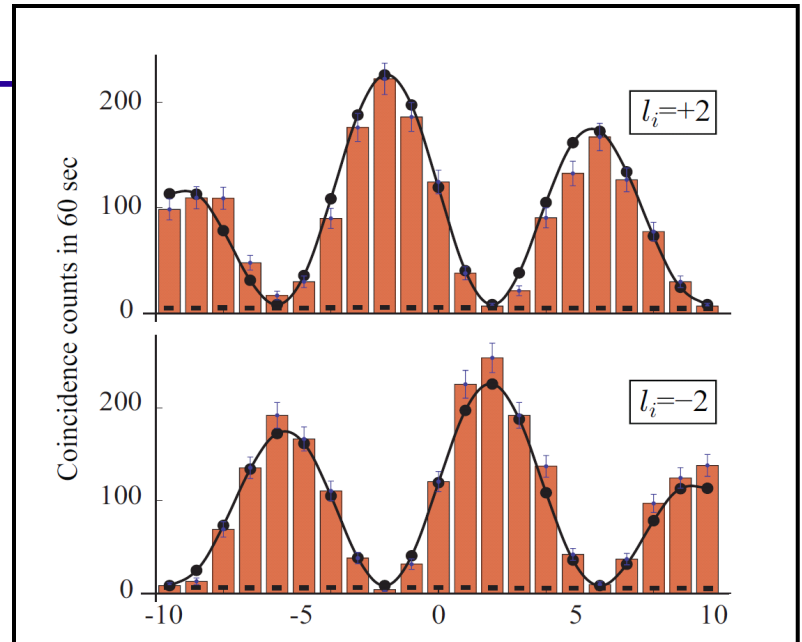
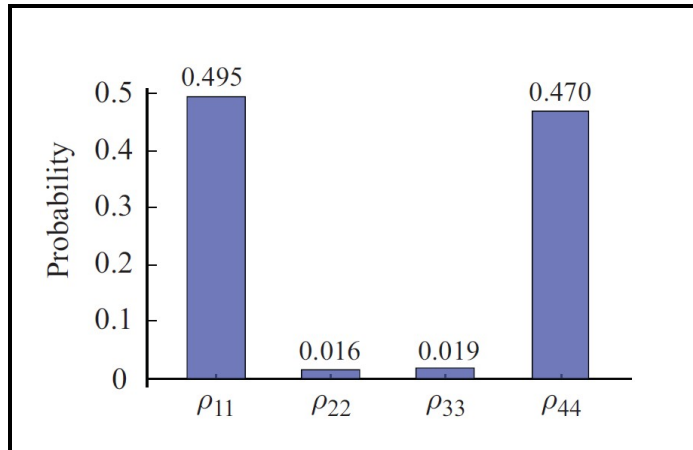
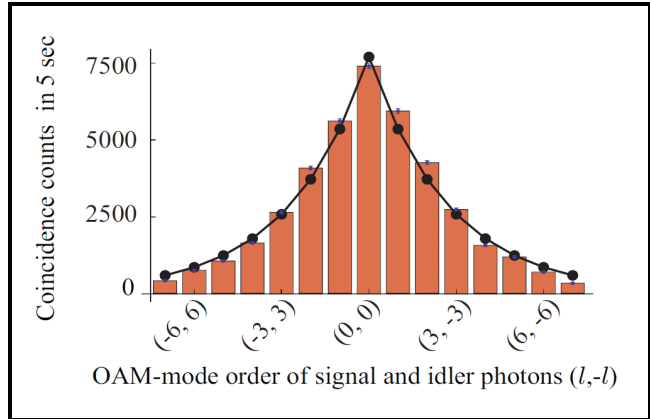
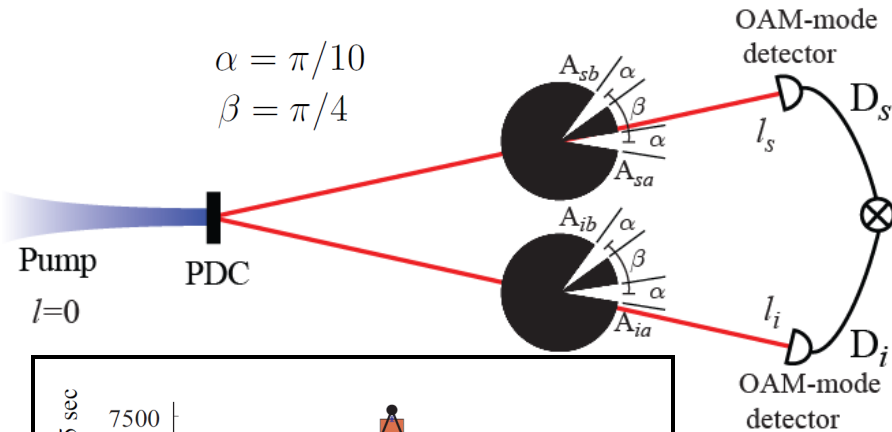


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Summary and Conclusions

1. Temporal two-photon interference

- (i) Presented a description of temporal two-photon coherence in terms of ΔL and $\Delta L'$
- (ii) Showed that time-energy entanglement can also be explored using geometric phase

2. Spatial two-photon interference

- (i) The spatial coherence properties of the pump beam get entirely transferred to the spatial coherence properties of the entangled two-photon field.
- (ii) The entanglement of spatial two-qubit state is equal to the degree of spatial two-photon coherence

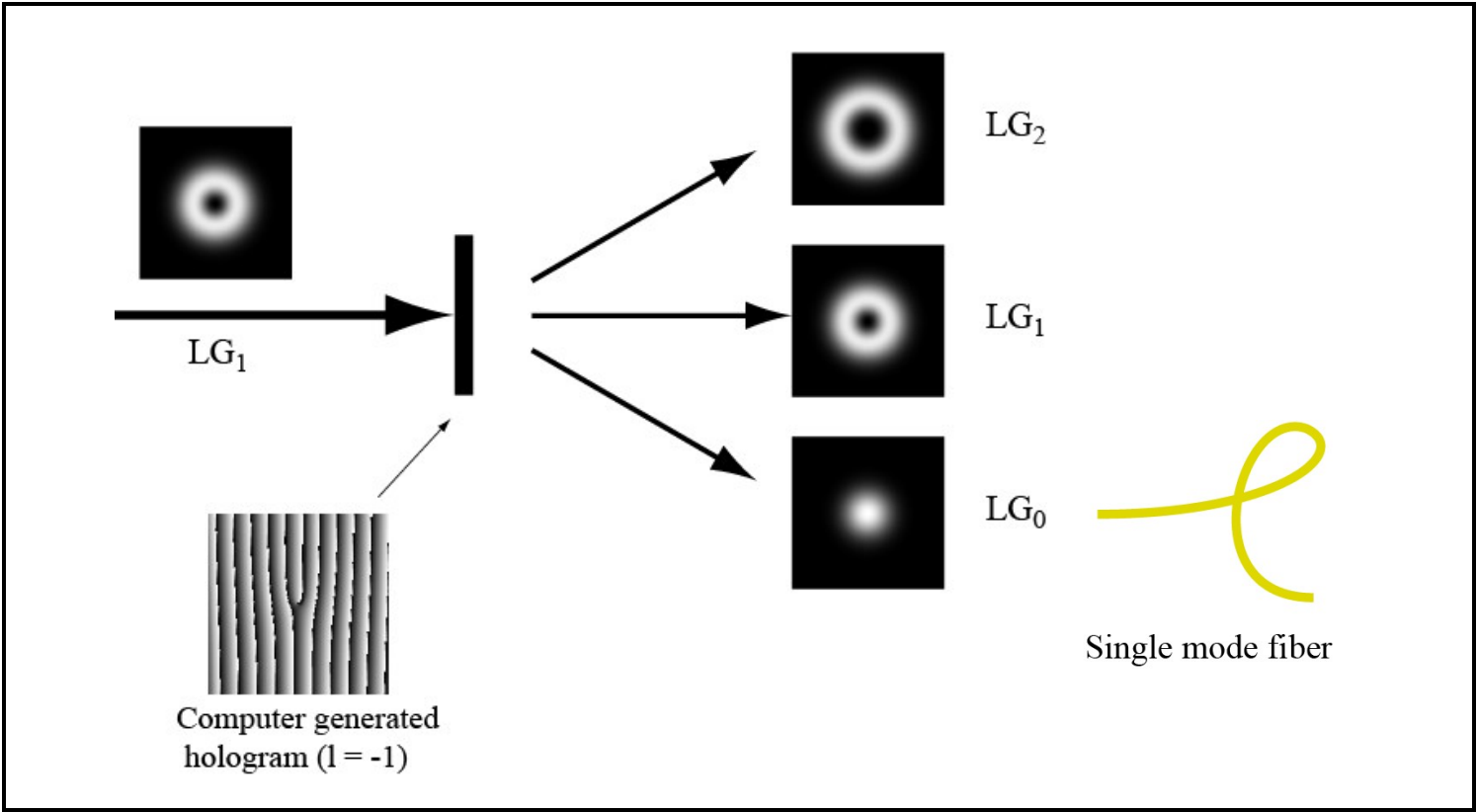
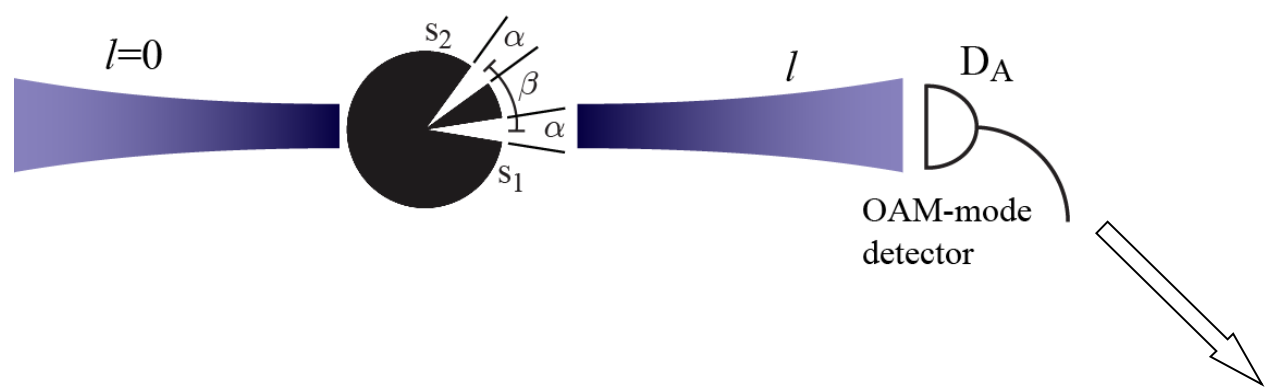
3. Angular two-photon interference

- (i) Verified angular Fourier relationship using entangled photons
- (ii) Studied angular two-photon interference effects and demonstrated an angular two-qubit state

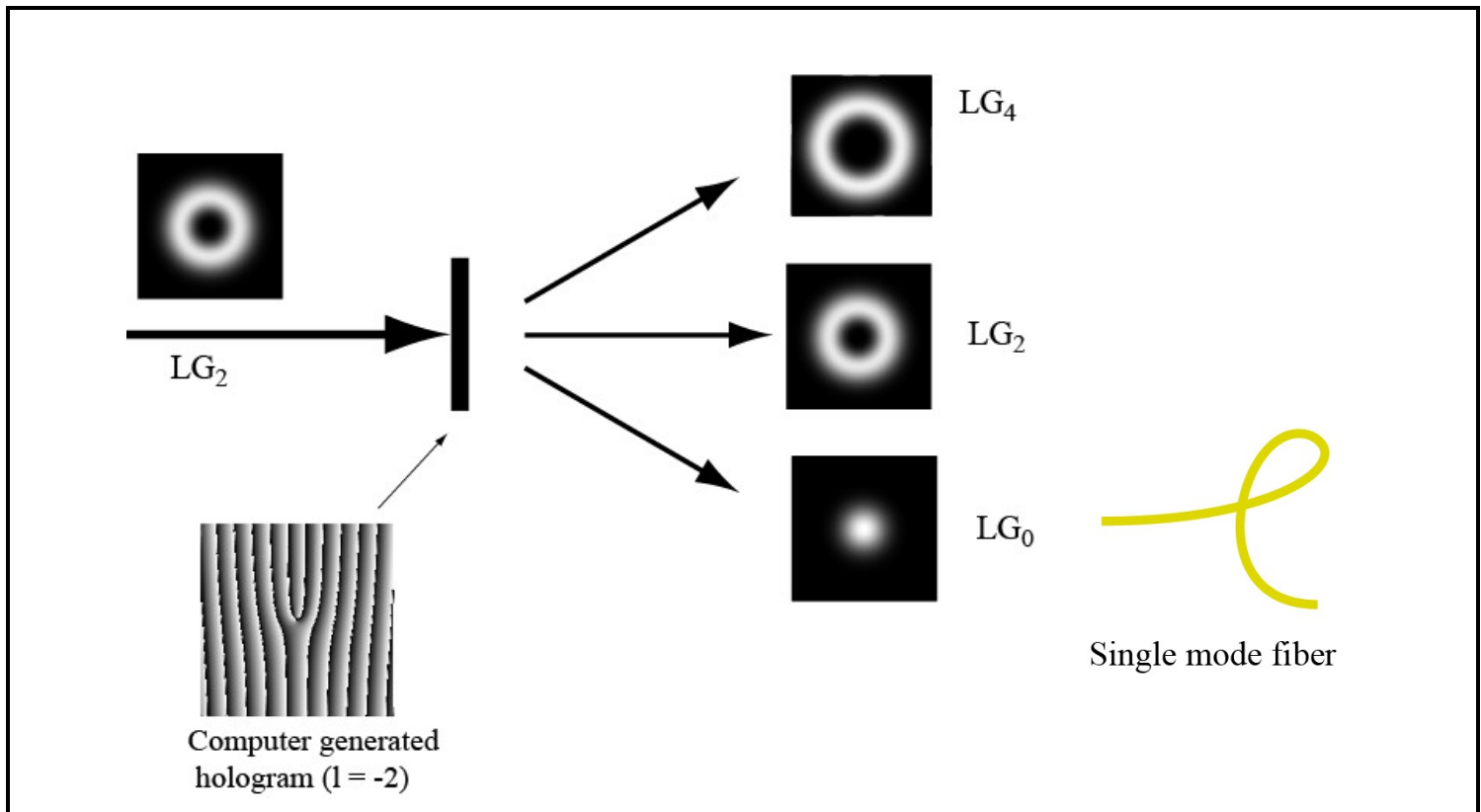
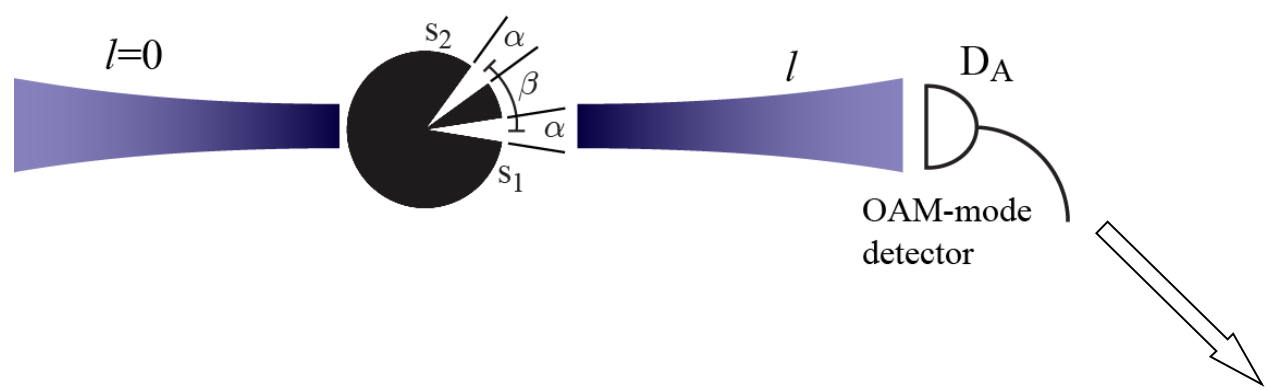
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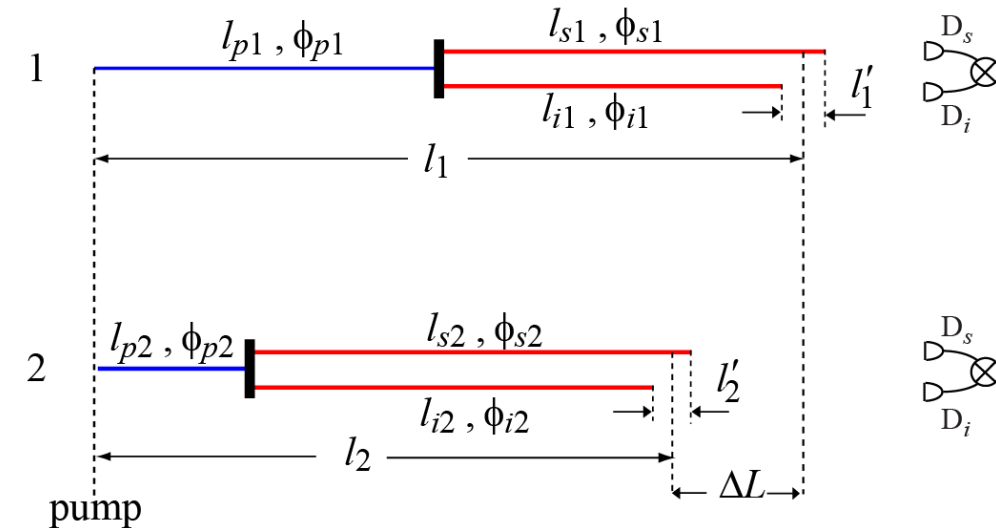
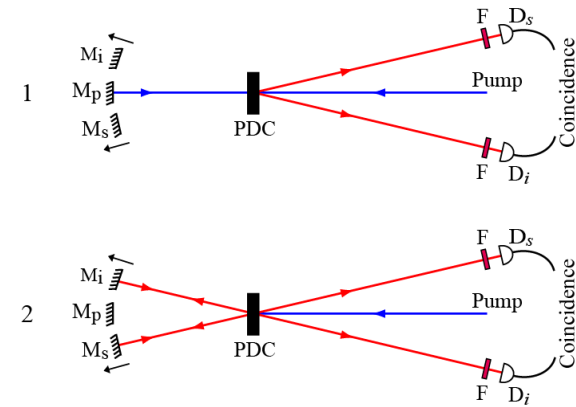
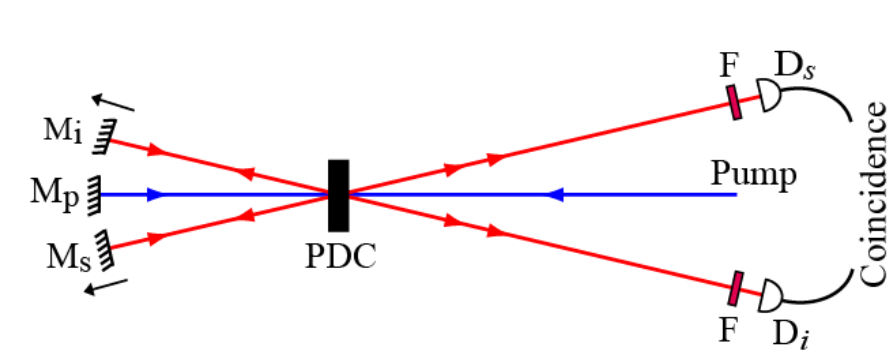
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Two-Photon Interference: A two-photon interferes with itself



$$\Delta L \equiv l_1 - l_2$$

Two-photon path-length

$$\Delta L' \equiv l'_1 - l'_2$$

Two-photon path-asymmetry length

$$\Delta \phi \equiv (\phi_{s1} + \phi_{i1} + \phi_{p1}) - (\phi_{s2} + \phi_{i2} + \phi_{p2})$$

$$R_{si} = C[1 + \gamma'(\Delta L') \gamma(\Delta L) \cos(k_0 \Delta L + k_d \Delta L' + \Delta \phi)]$$

$$k_d \equiv (k_{s0} - k_{i0})/2$$

Necessary conditions for two-photon interference:

$$\begin{cases} \Delta L < l_{\text{coh}}^p \\ \Delta L' < l_{\text{coh}} \end{cases} \sim 10 \text{ cm}$$

$$\Delta L' < l_{\text{coh}} = \frac{c}{\Delta \omega} \sim 100 \text{ } \mu\text{m}$$

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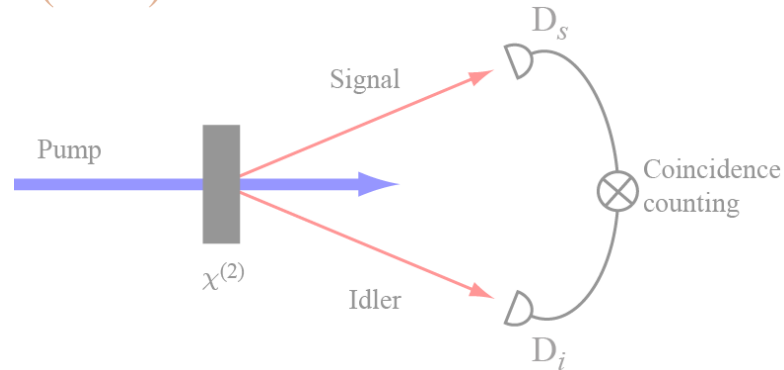
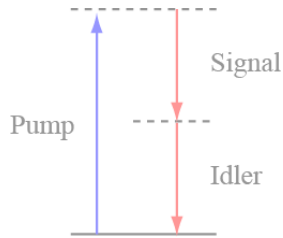
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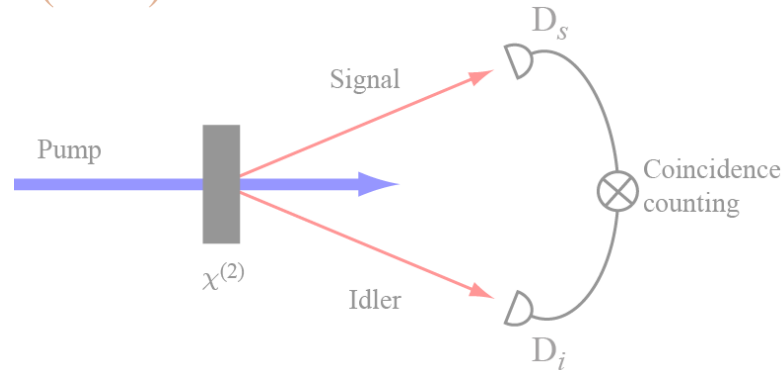
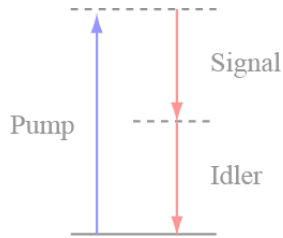
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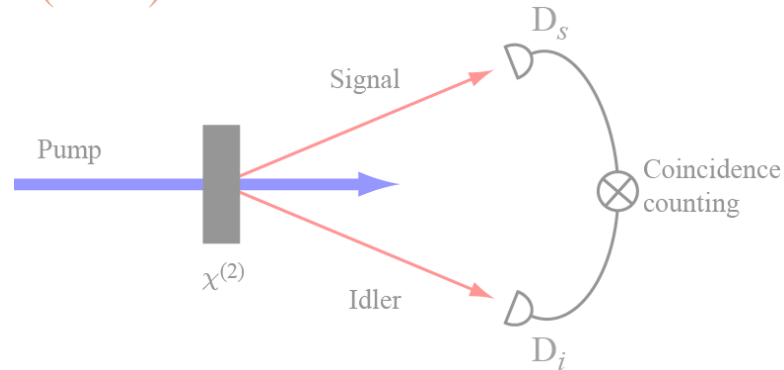
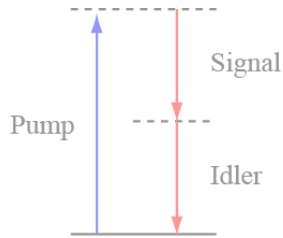
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