



# Quantum teleportation

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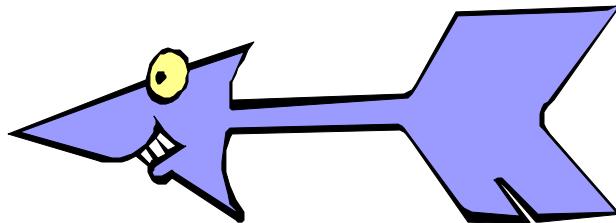
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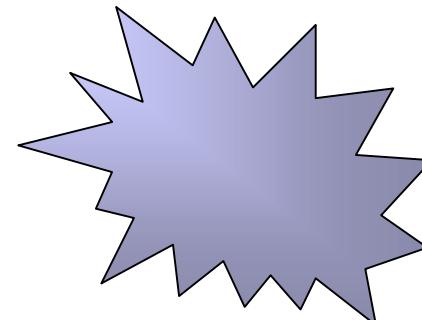
# The Geneva Teleportation experiment over 3x2 km

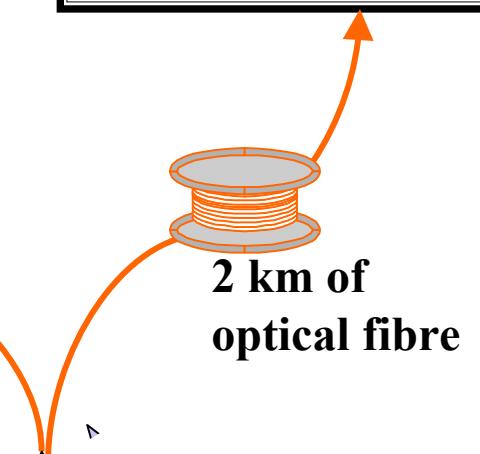
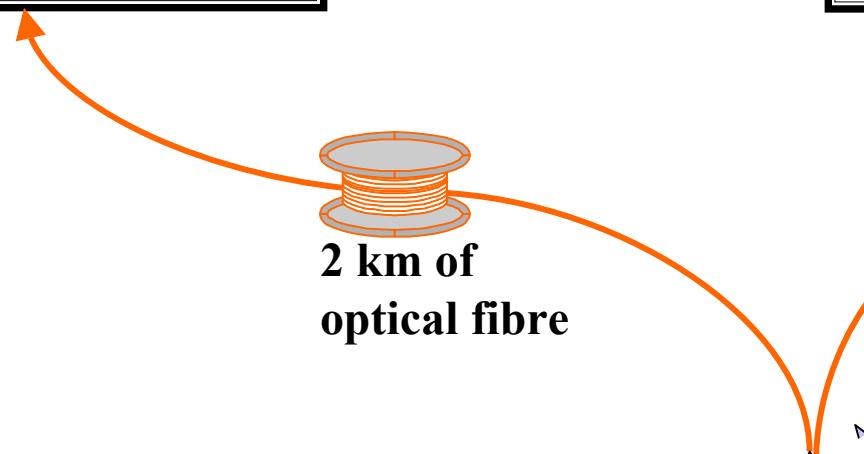
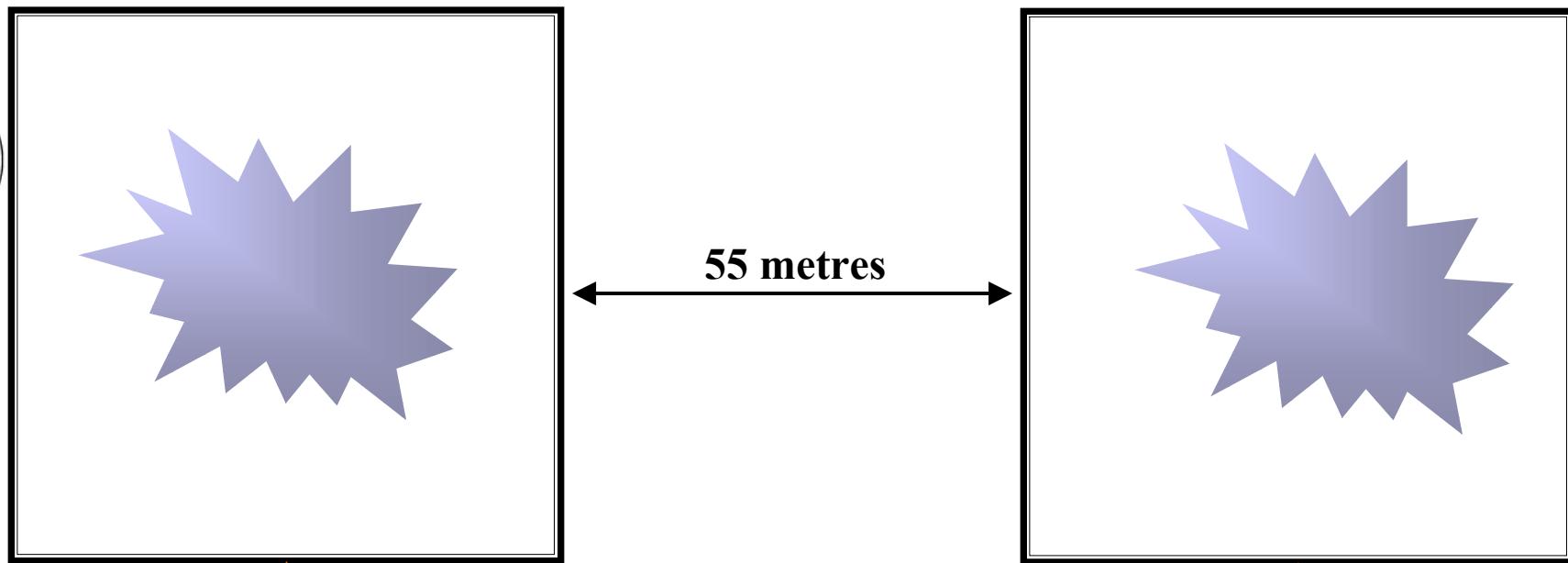
**Photon = particle (atom) of light**

**Polarized photon**  
**(≈ structured photon)**

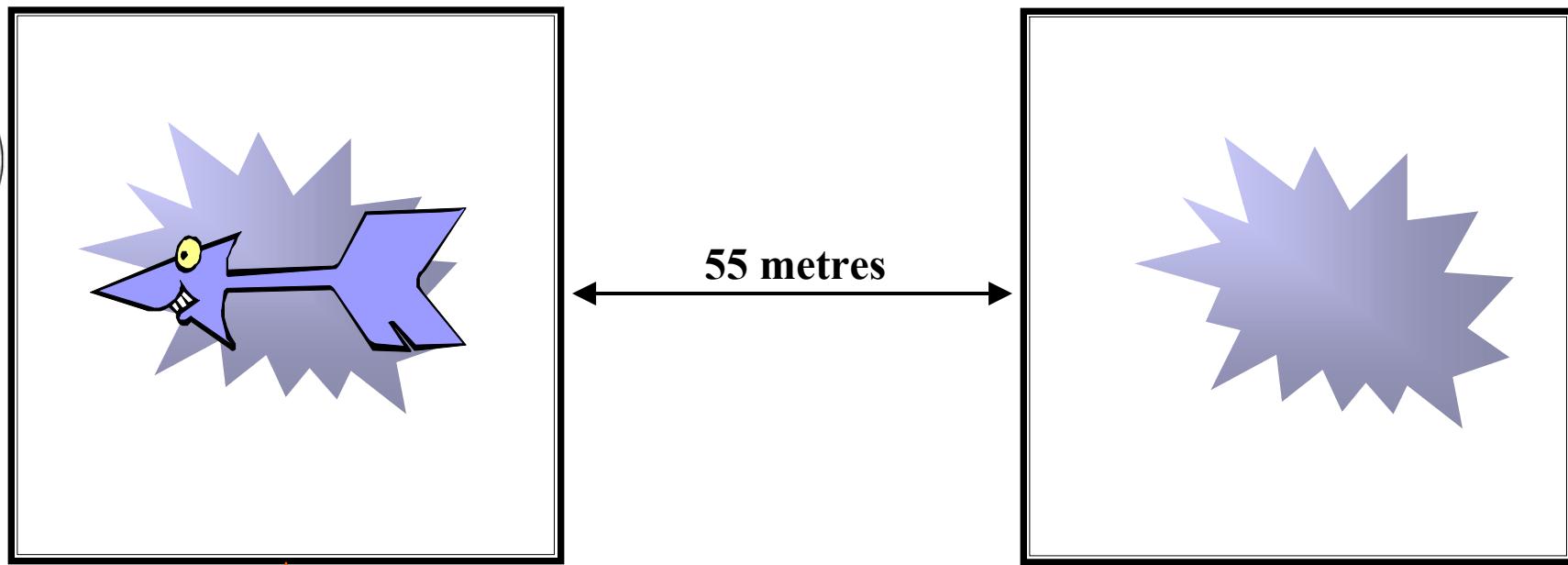


**Unpolarized photon**  
**(≈ unstructured ≈ dust)**

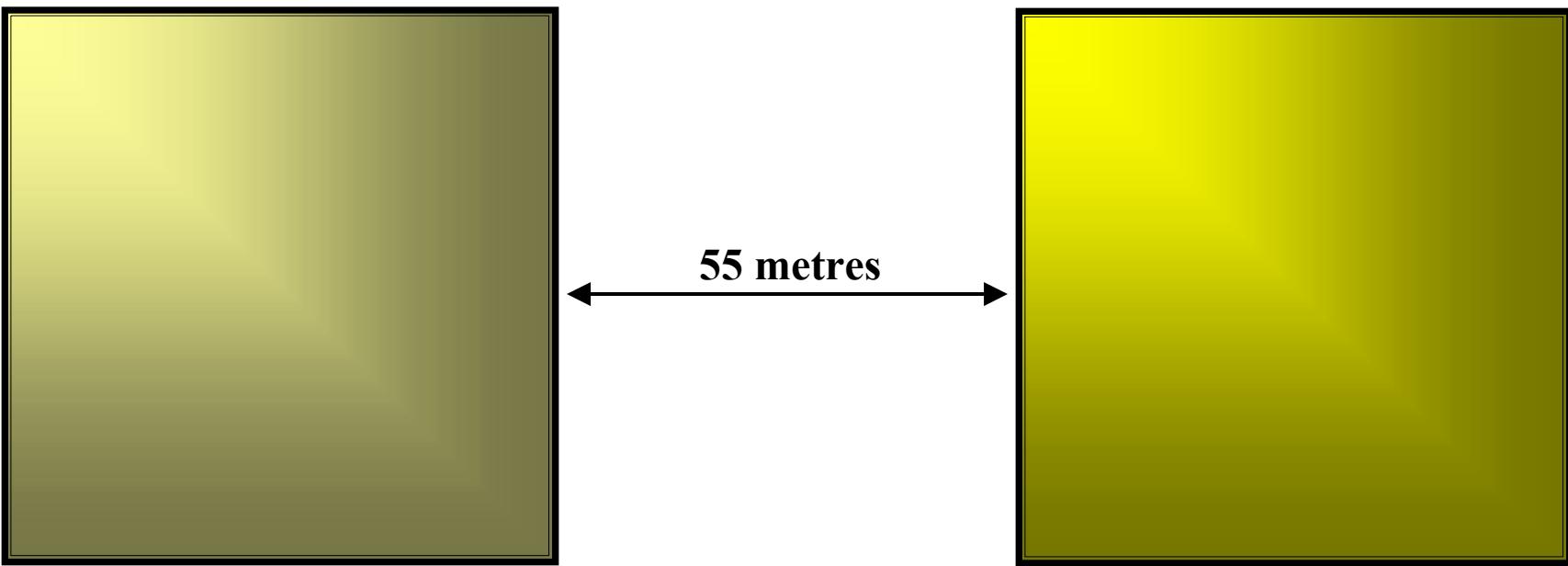




# GAP Optique Geneva University



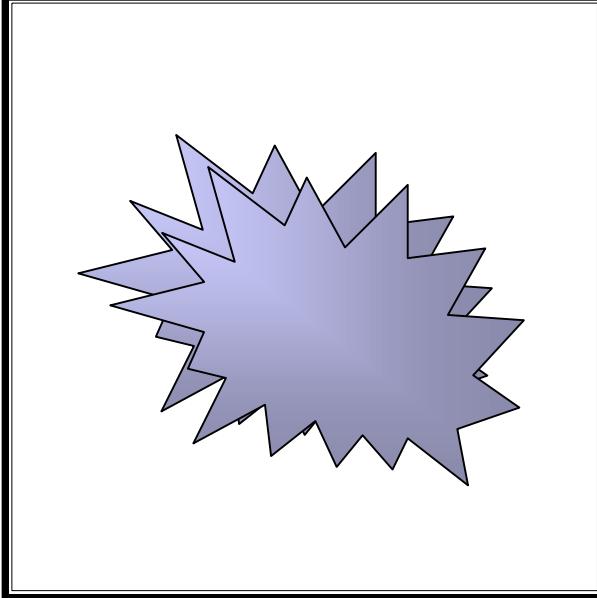
2 km of  
optical fibre



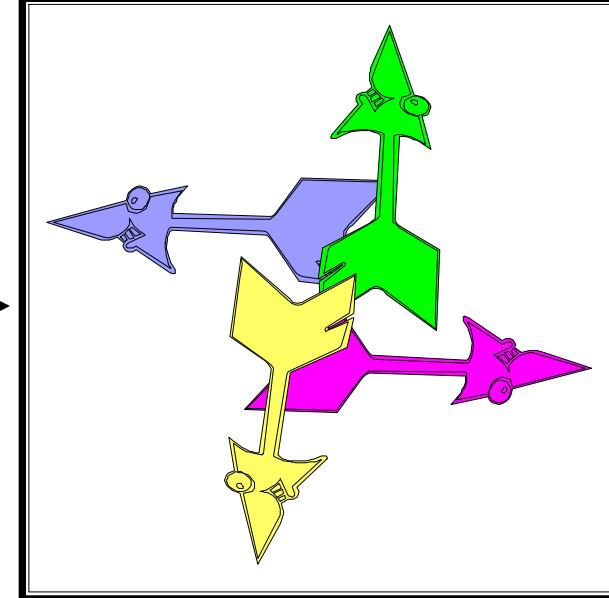
*Bell measurement  
(partial)*

the 2 photons  
interact

4 possible results:  
0, 90, 180, 270 degrees



55 metres



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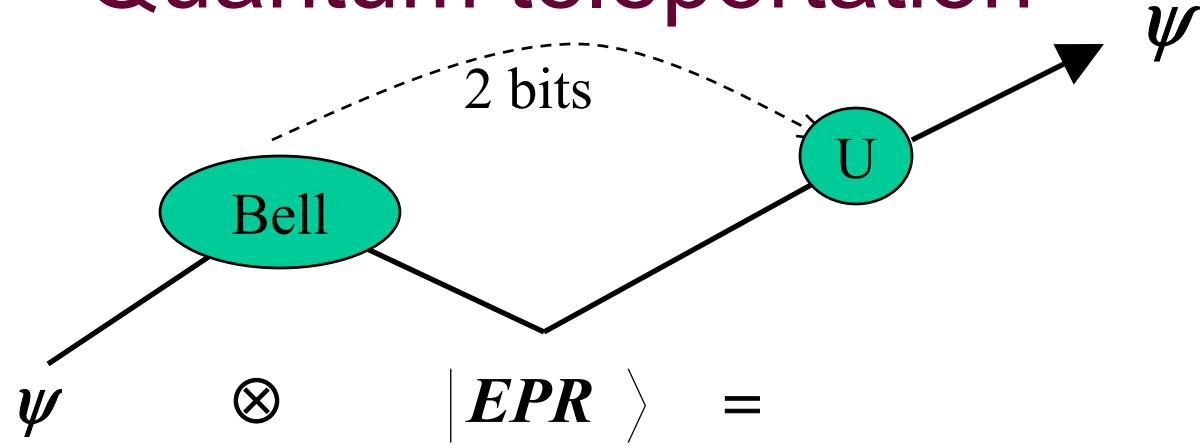
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Perfect Correlation

The correlation is independent of the quantum state which may be unknown or even entangled with a fourth photon



# Quantum teleportation



$$\begin{aligned}
 & (c_0|0\rangle + c_1|1\rangle) \otimes (|0,0\rangle + |1,1\rangle)/\sqrt{2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}(|00,00\rangle + |11,11\rangle) \otimes (c_0|0\rangle + c_1|1\rangle) \xrightarrow{\Psi} \Psi \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}(|00,00\rangle - |11,11\rangle) \otimes (c_0|0\rangle - c_1|1\rangle) \xrightarrow{\sigma_z \Psi} \sigma_z \Psi \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}(|00,11\rangle + |11,00\rangle) \otimes (c_1|0\rangle + c_0|1\rangle) \xrightarrow{\sigma_x \Psi} \sigma_x \Psi \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}(|00,11\rangle - |11,00\rangle) \otimes (c_1|0\rangle - c_0|1\rangle) \xrightarrow{\sigma_y \Psi} \sigma_y \Psi
 \end{aligned}$$



# What is teleported ?

✉ According to Aristotle, objects are constituted by *matter* and *form*, ie by *elementary particles* and *quantum states*.

✉ Matter and energy can not be teleported from one place to another: they can not be transferred from one place to another without passing through intermediate locations.

✉ However, quantum states, the ultimate structure of objects, can be teleported. Accordingly, objects can be transferred from one place to another without ever existing anywhere in between! But only the structure is teleported, the matter stays at the source and has to be already present at the final location.

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D. Boschi *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 80, 1121 (1998)    Y-K. Kim *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 86, 1370 (2001)

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# A Quantum Fax ?

✉ During a quantum teleportation process, the original system is destroyed.

✉ According to the basic law of quantum physics, this is a necessity since it is impossible to clone an unknown quantum state. If not:

- one could violate Heisenberg's uncertainty relations (Quantum Physics would be deterministic !)
- one could exploit entanglement and cloning to signal faster than light. (Relativity would have an absolute time).



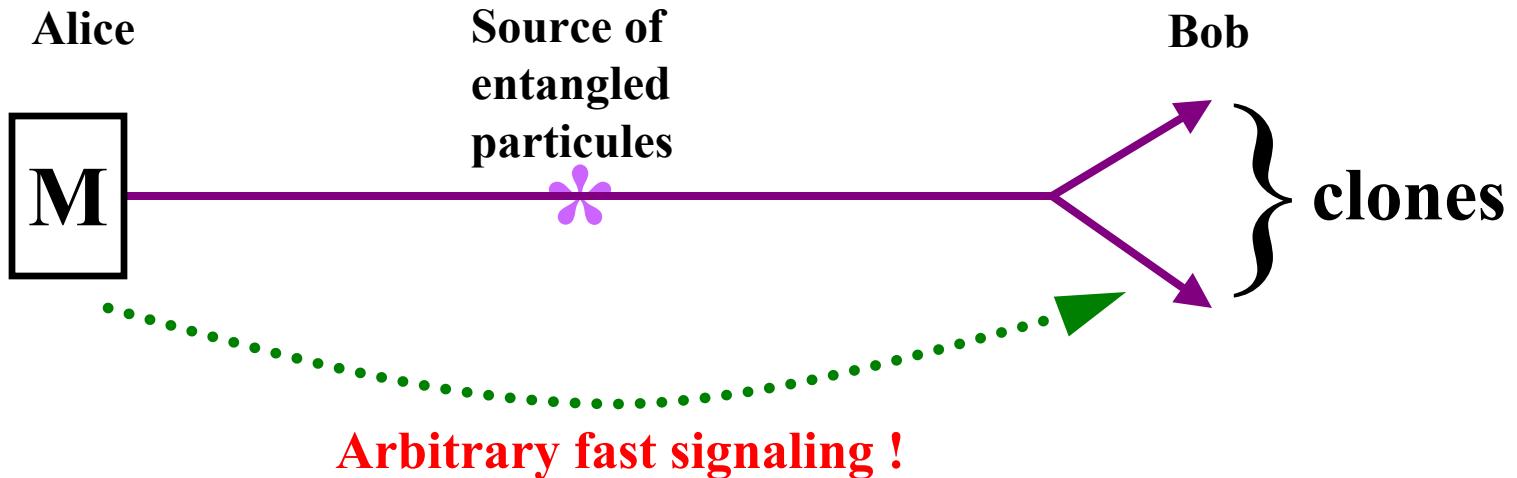
# No cloning theorem and the compatibility with relativity

**No cloning theorem:** It is impossible to copy an unknown quantum state,  $\psi \not\rightarrow \psi \cdot \psi$

**Proof #1:**

$$\begin{array}{ccc} |0\rangle \rightarrow |0,0\rangle & & |0\rangle + |1\rangle \rightarrow |0,0\rangle + |1,1\rangle \\ & \Rightarrow & \\ |1\rangle \rightarrow |1,1\rangle & & \neq (|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \otimes (|0\rangle + |1\rangle) \end{array}$$

**Proof #2: (by contradiction)**



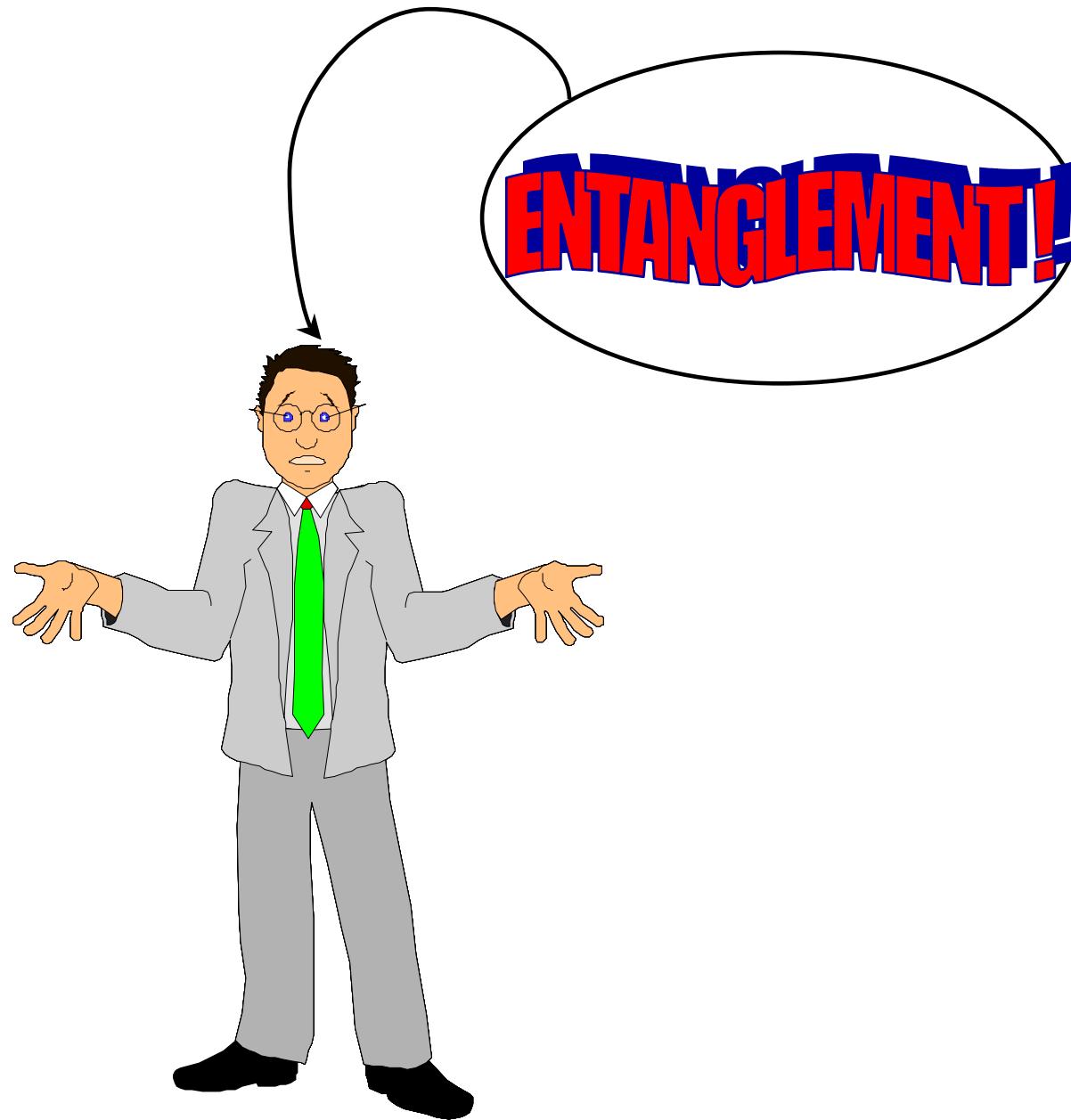


# No cloning theorem and the compatibility with relativity

- The first account on quantum cloning was done by E.P. Wigner in his analysis of earlier work by W.M. Elsasser devoted to a discussion of the origin of life and the multiplication of organisms. Wigner has presented a quantum-mechanical argument according to which ``the probability is zero for existence of self-reproducing states".
- Today's standard references are:  
W. K. Wootters and W. H. Zurek, Nature 299, 802, 1982.  
P.W. Milonni and M.L.Hardies, Phys. Lett. A 92, 32, 1982.
- The connection to “no signaling” appeared in:  
N. Gisin, Phys. Lett. A 242, 1, 1998.



# The Quantum Teleportation channel ?





# Entanglement

A density matrix  $\rho$  is separable iff it decomposes in product states with probabilité coefficients  $p_j > 0$  :

$$\rho = \sum_j p_j \rho_j^A \otimes \rho_j^B$$

$\rho$  is entangled iff it is not separable.

Given a  $\rho$ , one knows of no constructive method to determine wheher  $\rho$  is separable or entanglement !

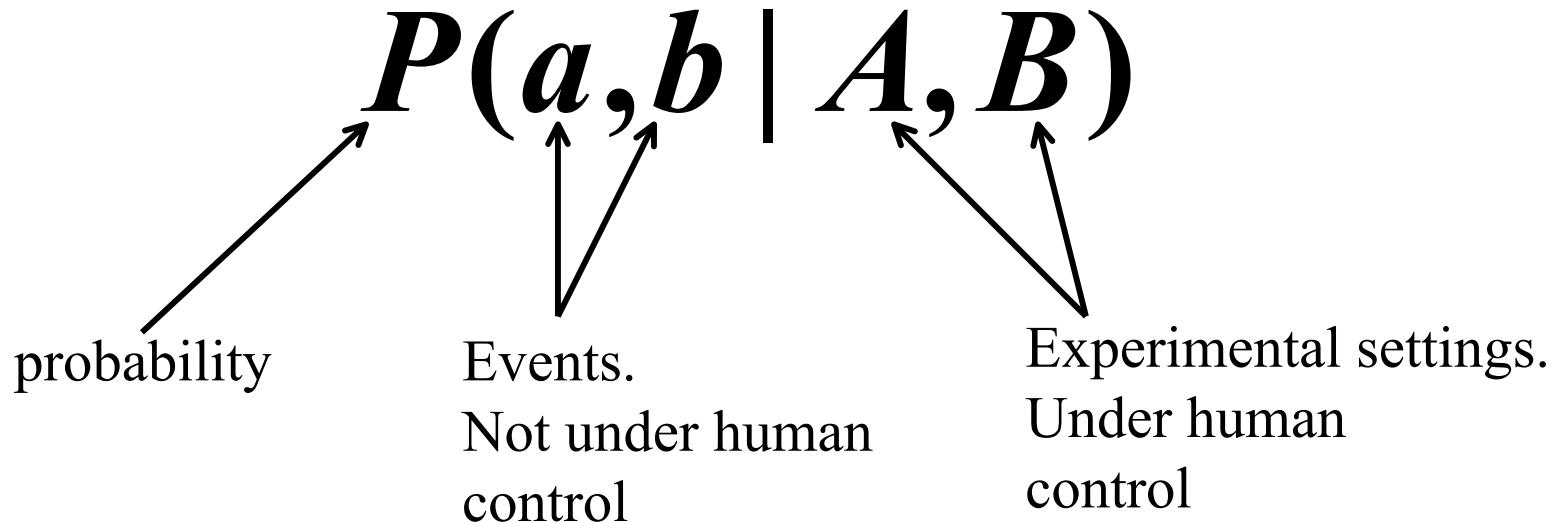
The partial transpose test :

If  $\rho$  is separable, then its partial transpose is  $\rho^{pt} \geq 0$

whre  $\rho_{ab,\alpha\beta}^{pt} \equiv \rho_{a\beta,\alpha b}$  (this test is exhaustive en dim 2x2)



# Non-locality: definition



**The correlations  $P(a,b|A_n,B_m)$  are local iff there is a random variable  $\lambda$  such that:**

$$P(a,b|A_n,B_m, \lambda) = P(a|A_n, \lambda) \cdot P(b|B_m, \lambda)$$

**Historically  $\lambda$  was called a “local hidden variable”. Today, one measures the amount of nonlocality by the minimum communication required to reproduce  $P(a,b|A_n,B_m)$ .**

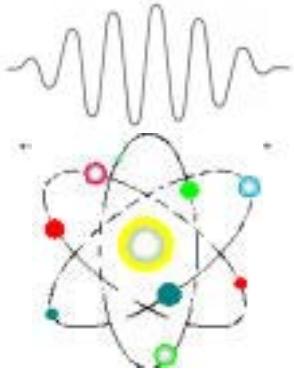


# Implications of entanglement

- ☞ The world can't be understood in terms of "little billiard balls".
- ☞ The world is nonlocal (but the nonlocality can't be used to signal faster than light).
- ☞ Quantum physics offers new ways of processing information.

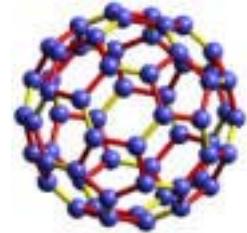


# What can carry the Q info to be teleported?



Photon

Done



Atom  
Molecule

Probably soon !



Virus

Likely some day



Large object

?? Possibly ??

Still science-fiction



# Q communication in optical fibres

Two problems : Losses and decoherence.

How to minimize them ?

- ☞ The transmission depends on the wavelength
  - Lower attenuation : 1310 nm (0.3 dB/km) and 1550 nm (0.2dB/km) (telecom wavelengths)

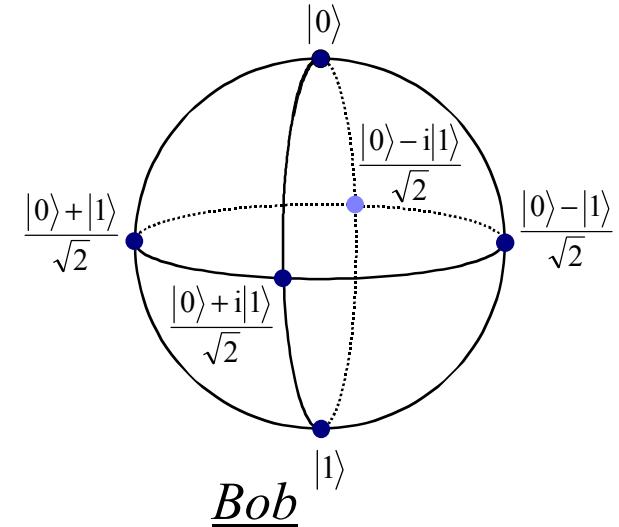
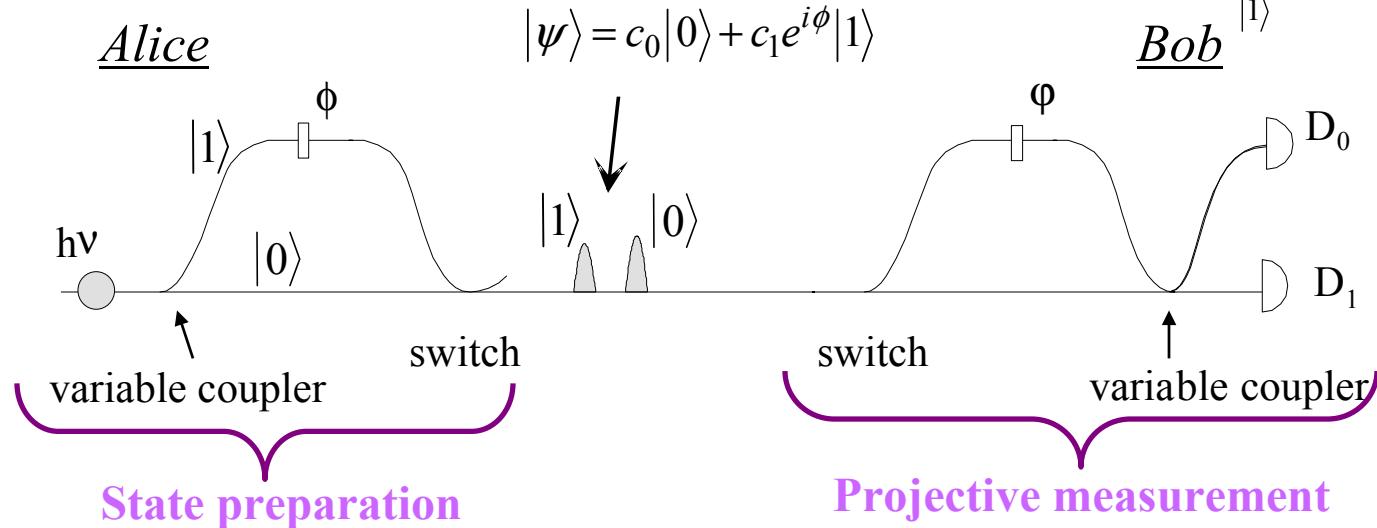
- ☞ Decoherence due to birefringence :  
Polarization Mode Dispersion

Time-bin coding with photons at telecom wavelength



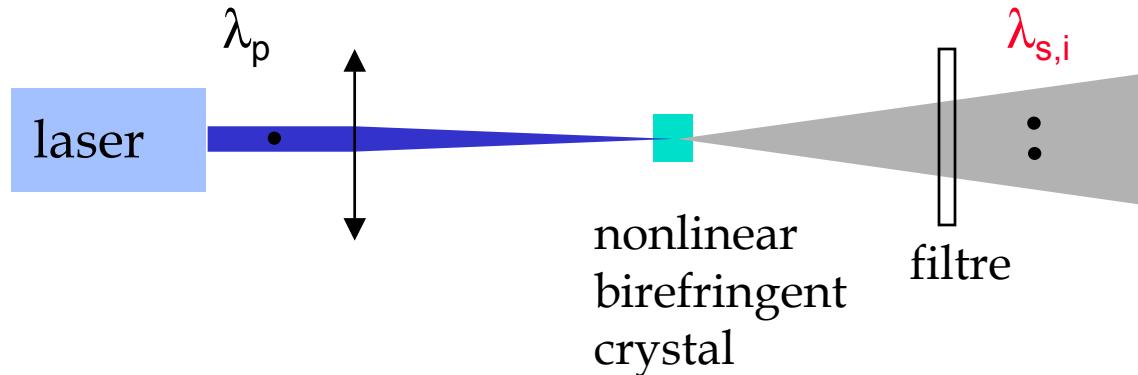
# Time-bin qubits

- qubit :  $|\psi\rangle = c_0|0\rangle + c_1e^{i\phi}|1\rangle$
- any qubit state can be created and measured in any basis





# Photon pairs source



☞ Parametric fluorescence

☞ Energy and momentum conservation

$$\omega_p = \omega_s + \omega_i \quad \vec{k}_p = \vec{k}_s + \vec{k}_i$$

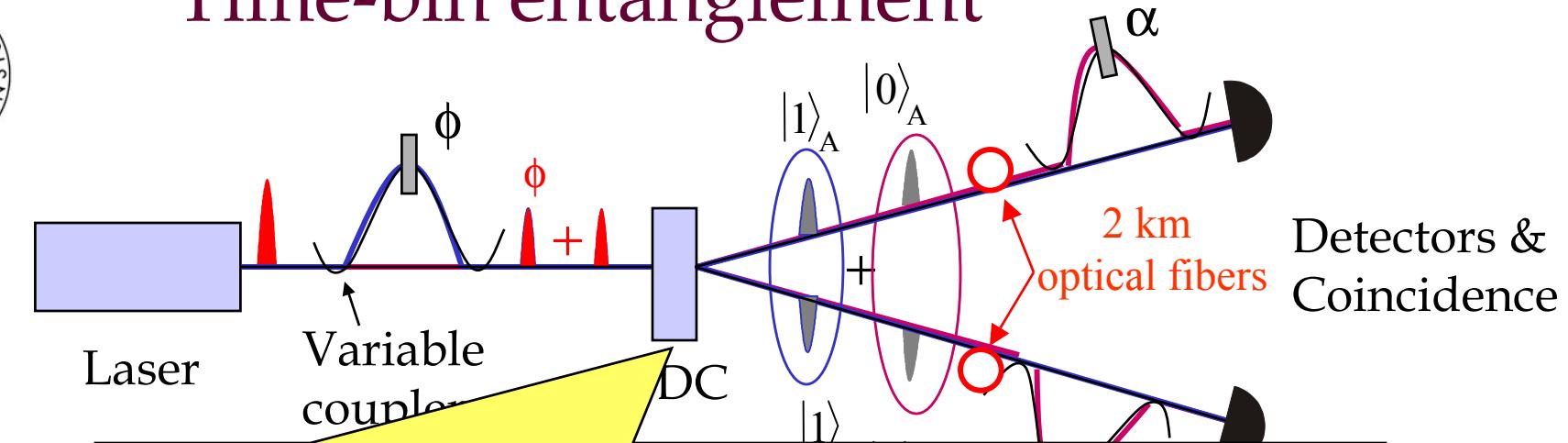
☞ Phase matching determines the wavelengths and propagation directions of the down-converted photons

## Energy conservation:

- ⇒ each photon from the pair has an uncertain frequency,  
but the sum of the two frequencies is precisely that of the pump laser
- ⇒ each photon from the pair has an uncertain age,  
but the age's difference is precisely zero
- ⇒ similar to the original EPR state



# Time-bin entanglement


 $|\psi\rangle =$ 

Photon pair creation in a non-linear crystal

Parametric down-conversion (PDC)

Energy and momentum conservation

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

$$\vec{k}_p = \vec{k}_s + \vec{k}_i$$

Read in

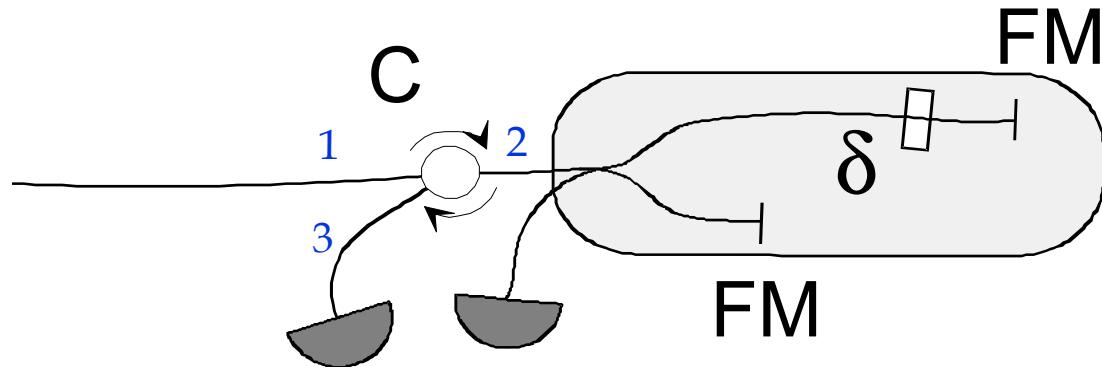
$$\lambda_p = 710\text{nm}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \lambda_s = 1310\text{nm} \\ \lambda_i = 1550\text{nm} \end{array}$$

2km  
fibers



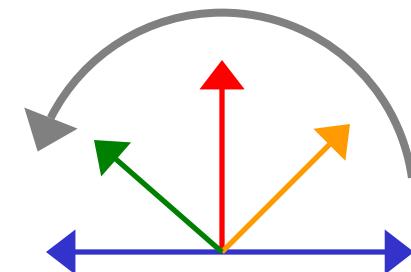
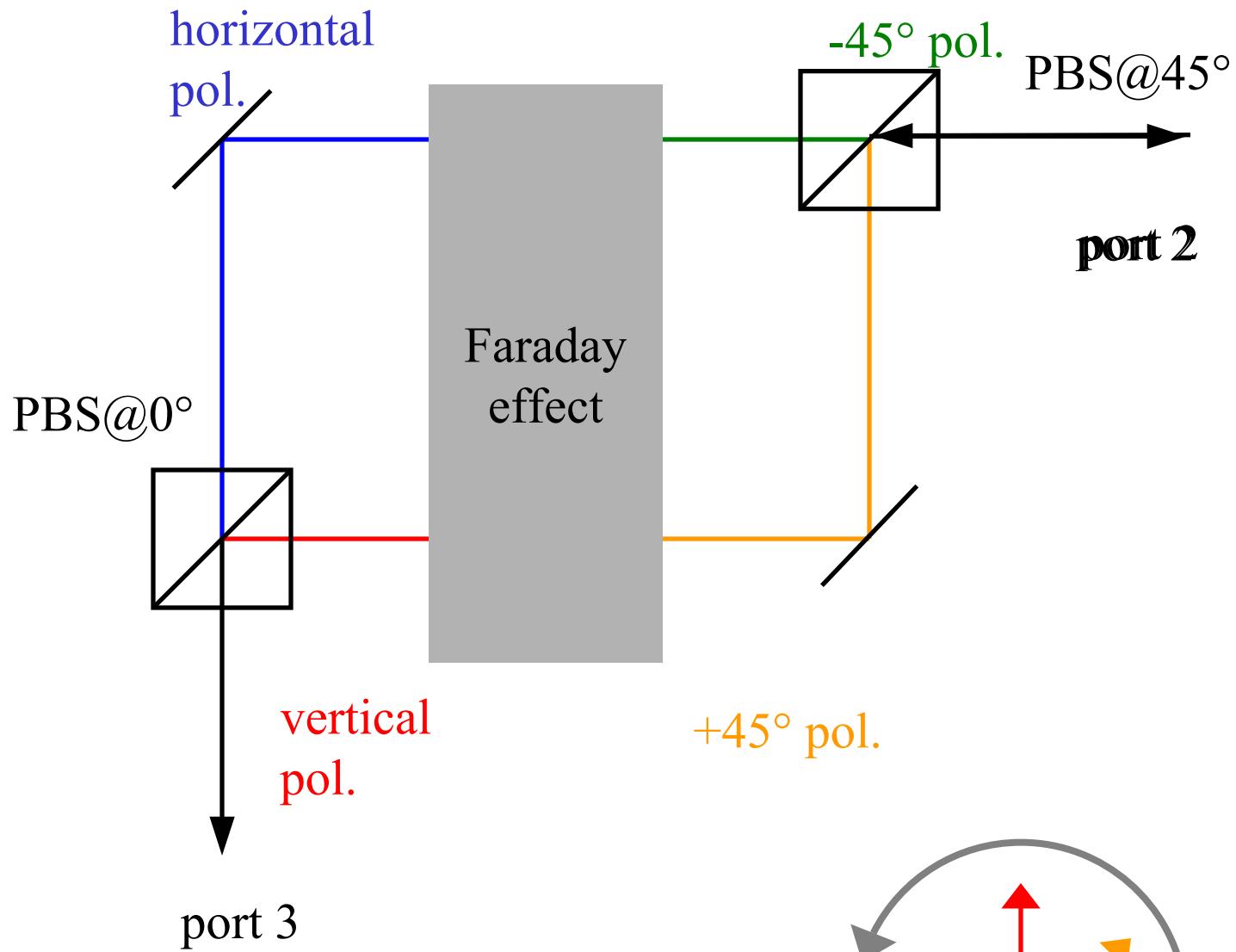
# The interferometers



- ➡ single mode fibers
- ➡ Michelson configuration
- ➡ circulator C : second output port
- ➡ Faraday mirrors FM: compensation of birefringence
- ➡ temperature tuning enables phase change



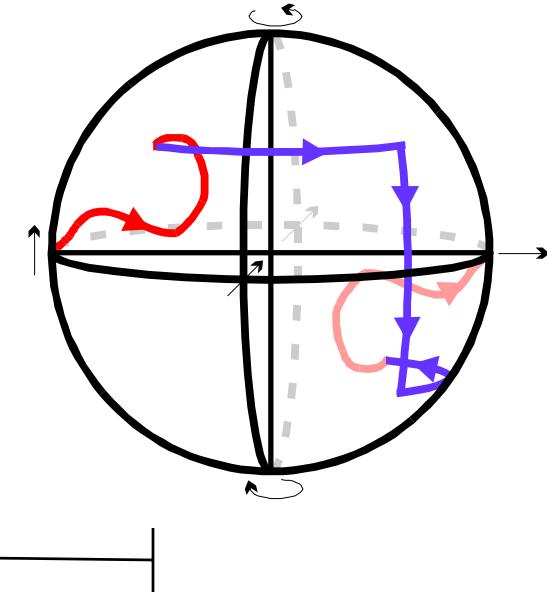
# Optical circulator





# Faraday mirrors

- $\lambda/4$  Faraday rotator
- standard mirror ( $\perp$  incidence)
- $\lambda/4$  Faraday rotator



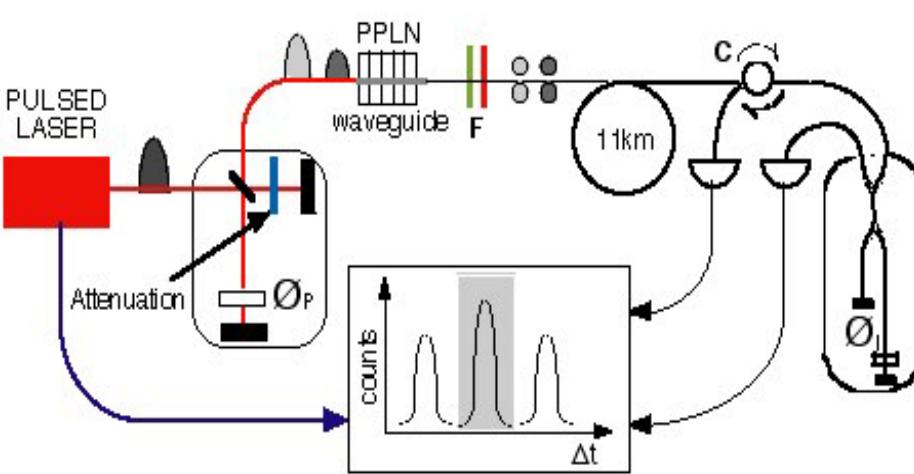
$$\vec{m} \rightarrow R(\omega)\vec{m} \rightarrow (-R(\omega)\vec{m})$$

$$-\vec{m} \leftarrow R^{-1}(\omega)(-R(\omega)\vec{m}) \leftarrow$$

Independent of  $\omega$



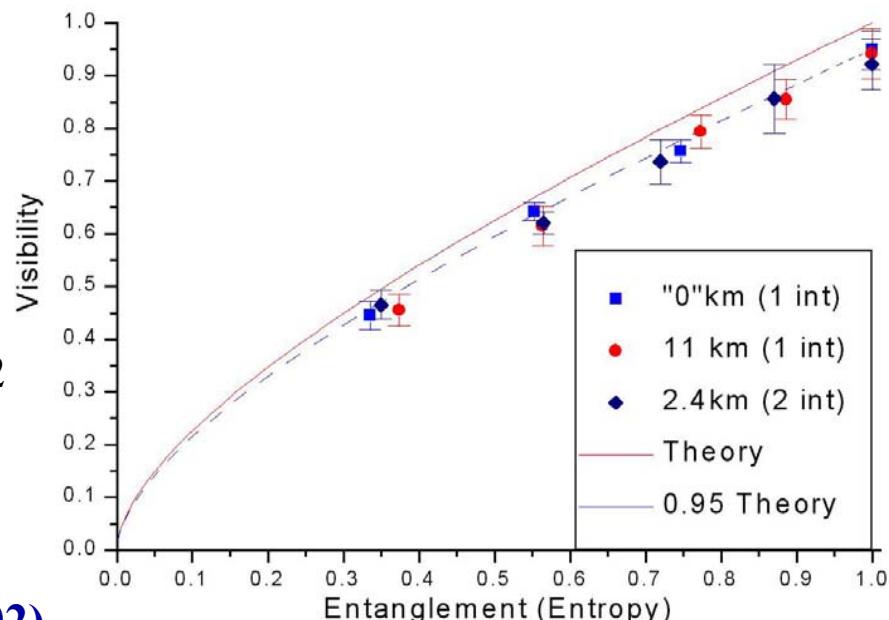
# Partially Entangled Time-Bin Qubits



$$|\psi\rangle = c_0|00\rangle + c_1 e^{i\phi_p} |11\rangle$$

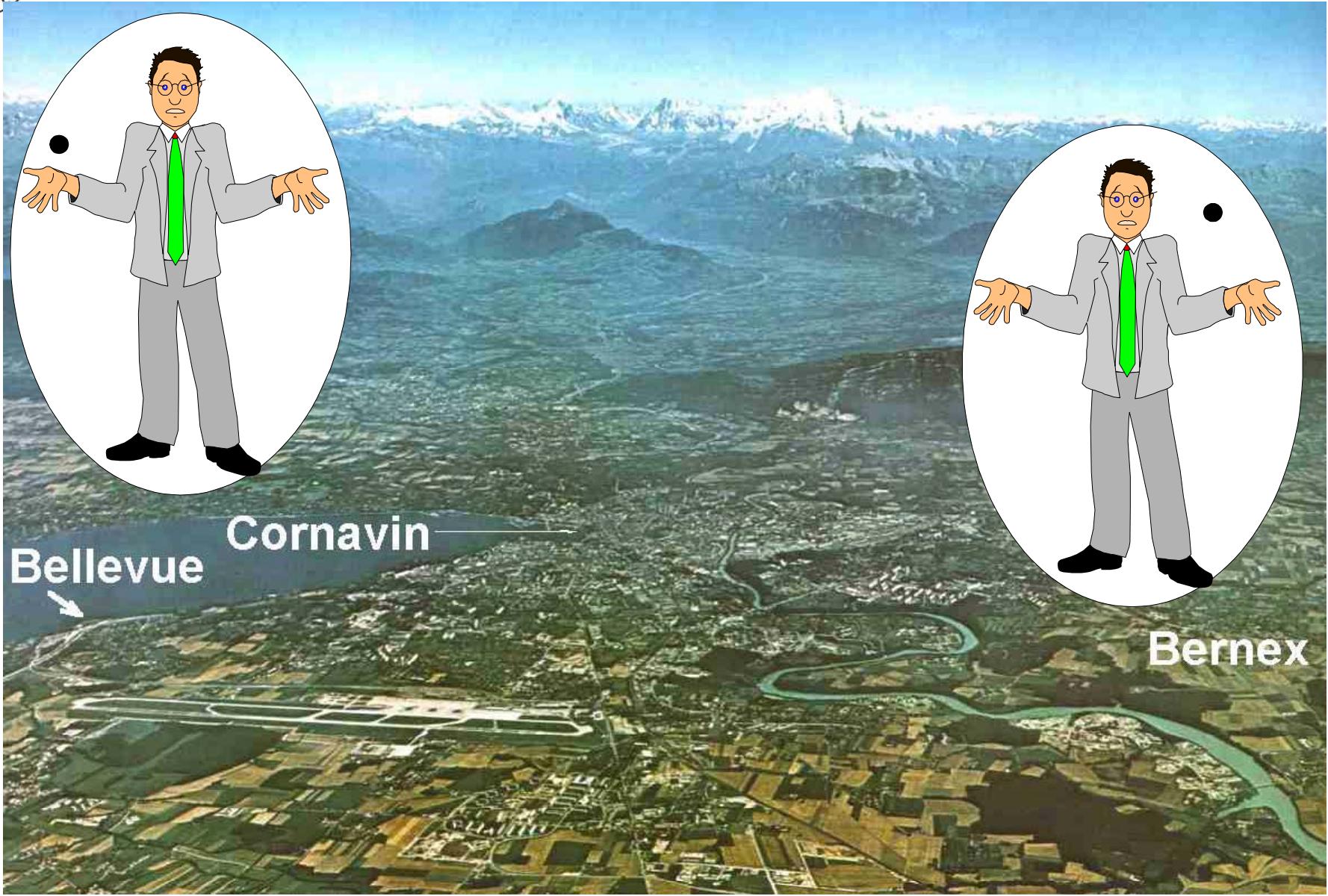
$$V = 2c_0c_1$$

$$E = -c_0^2 \log_2 c_0^2 - c_1^2 \log_2 c_1^2$$

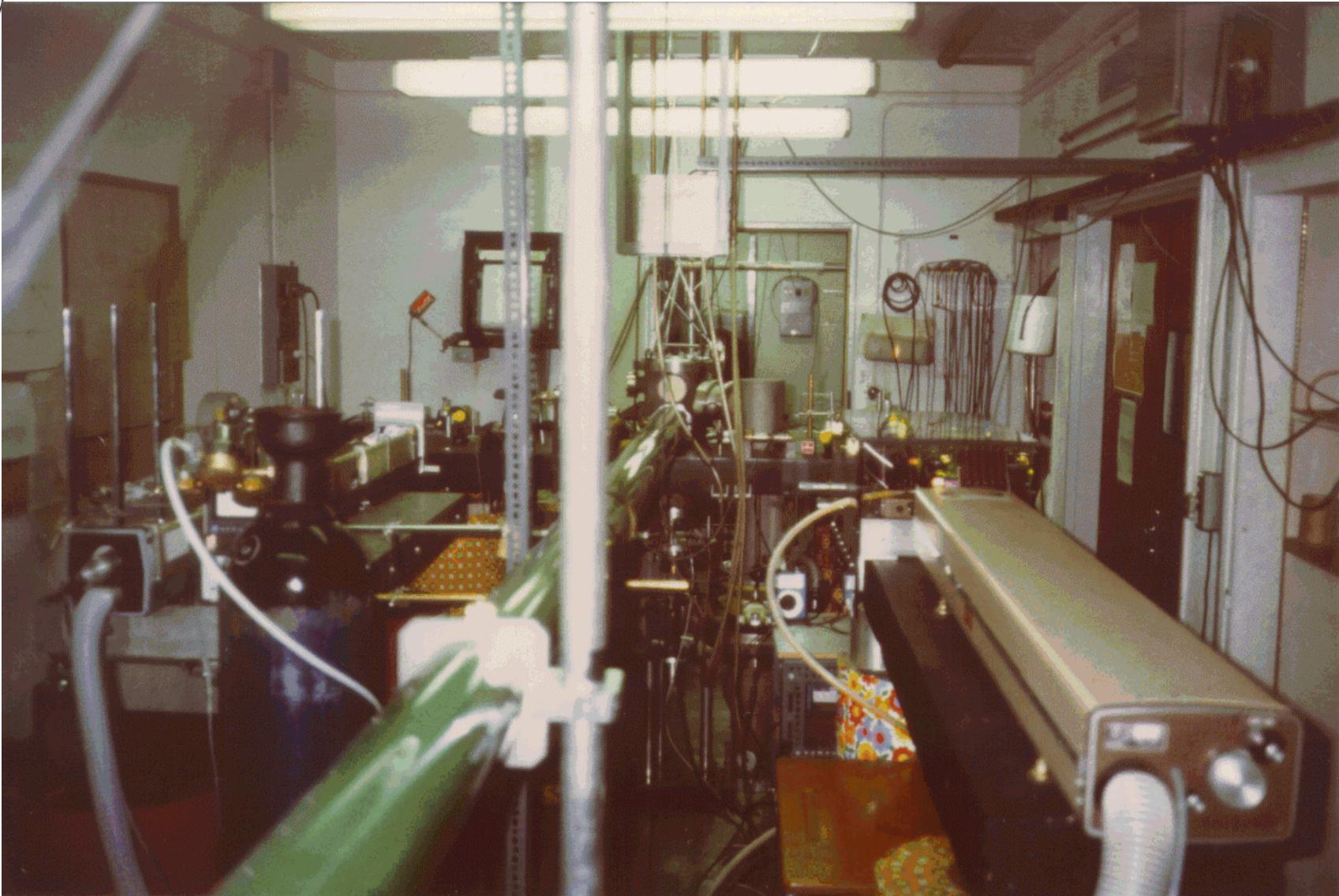




# Geneva 1997

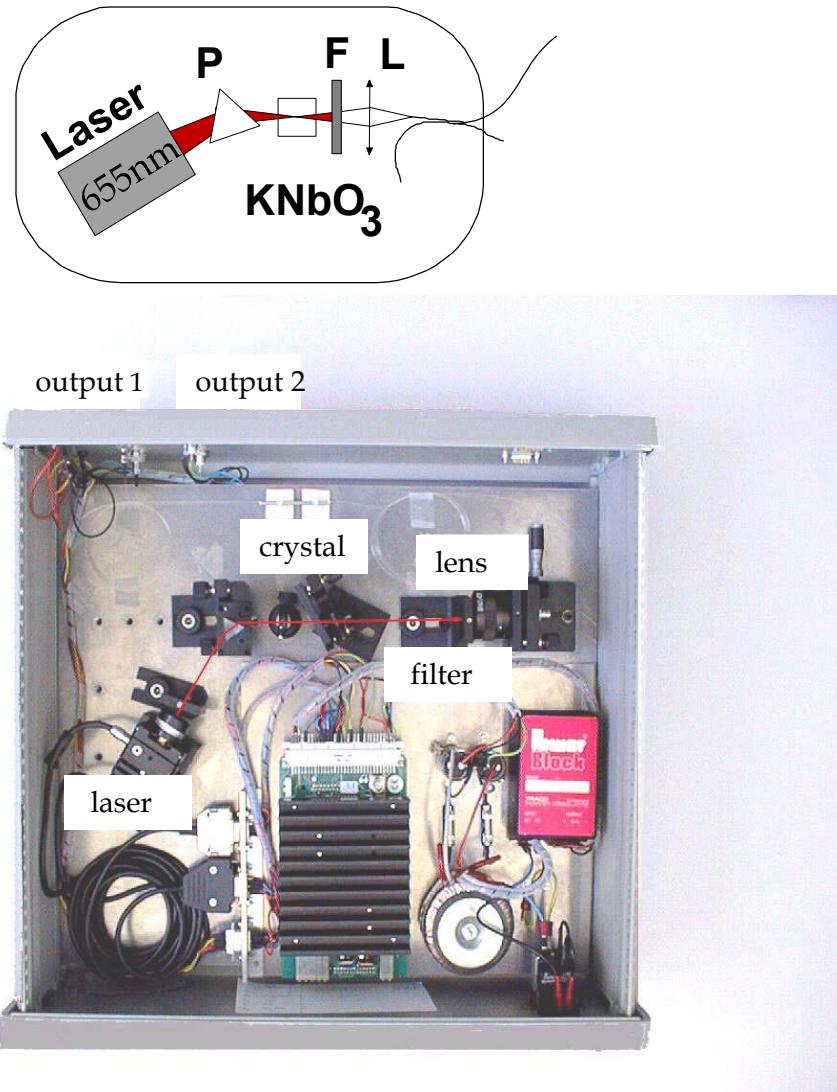


# 2-v source of Aspect's 1982 experiment





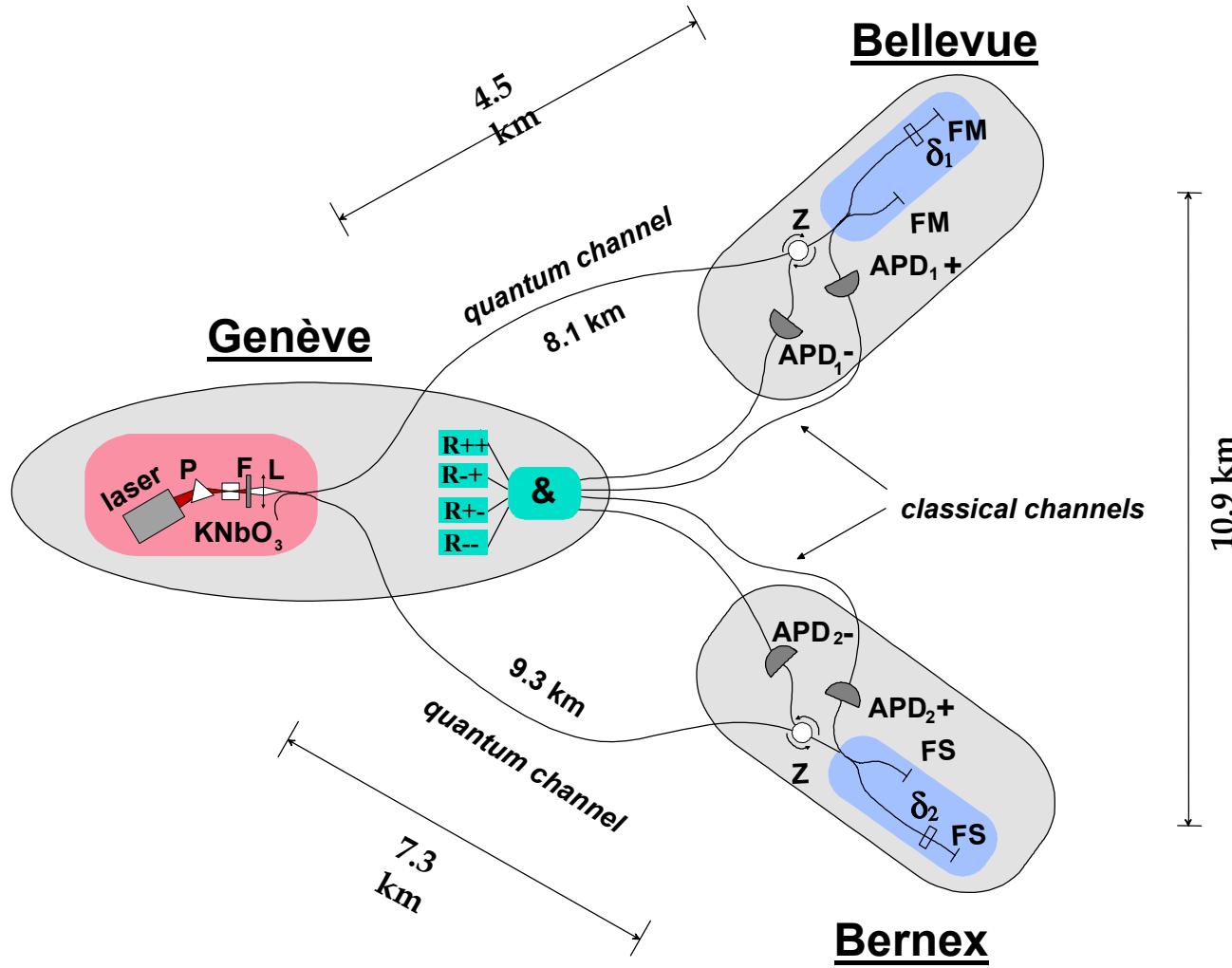
# Photon pairs source (Geneva 1997)



- ⌚ Energy-time entanglement
  - ◆  $\lambda_p = 655 \text{ nm}$ ;  $\bar{\lambda}_{s,i} = 1310 \text{ nm}$
- ⌚ diode laser
- ⌚ simple, compact, handy
  - $40 \times 45 \times 15 \text{ cm}^3$
- ⌚  $I_{\text{pump}} = 8 \text{ mW}$
- ⌚ with waveguide in  $\text{LiNbO}_3$   
with quasi phase matching,  
 $I_{\text{pump}} \approx 8 \mu\text{W}$

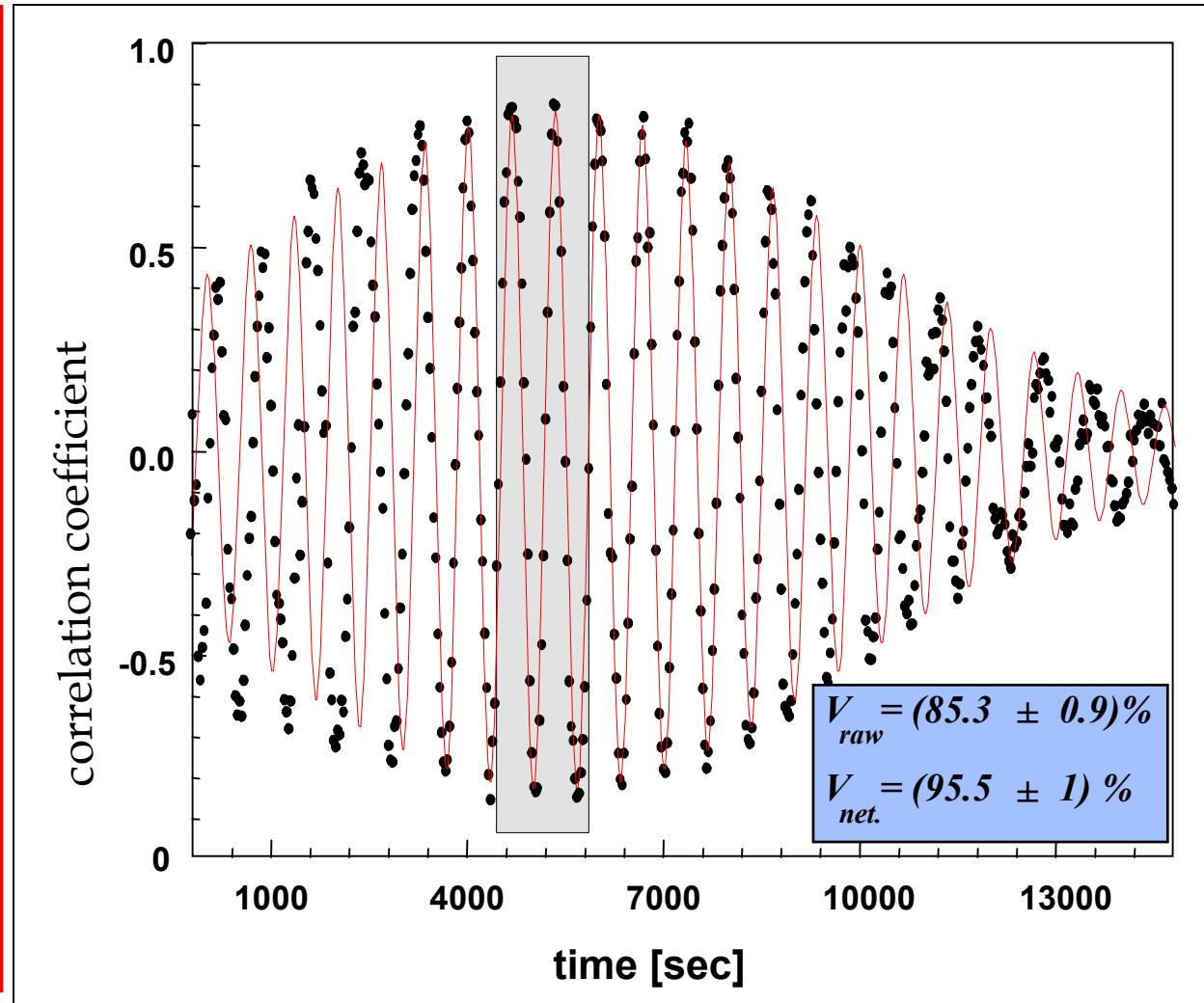


# test of Bell inequalities over 10 km





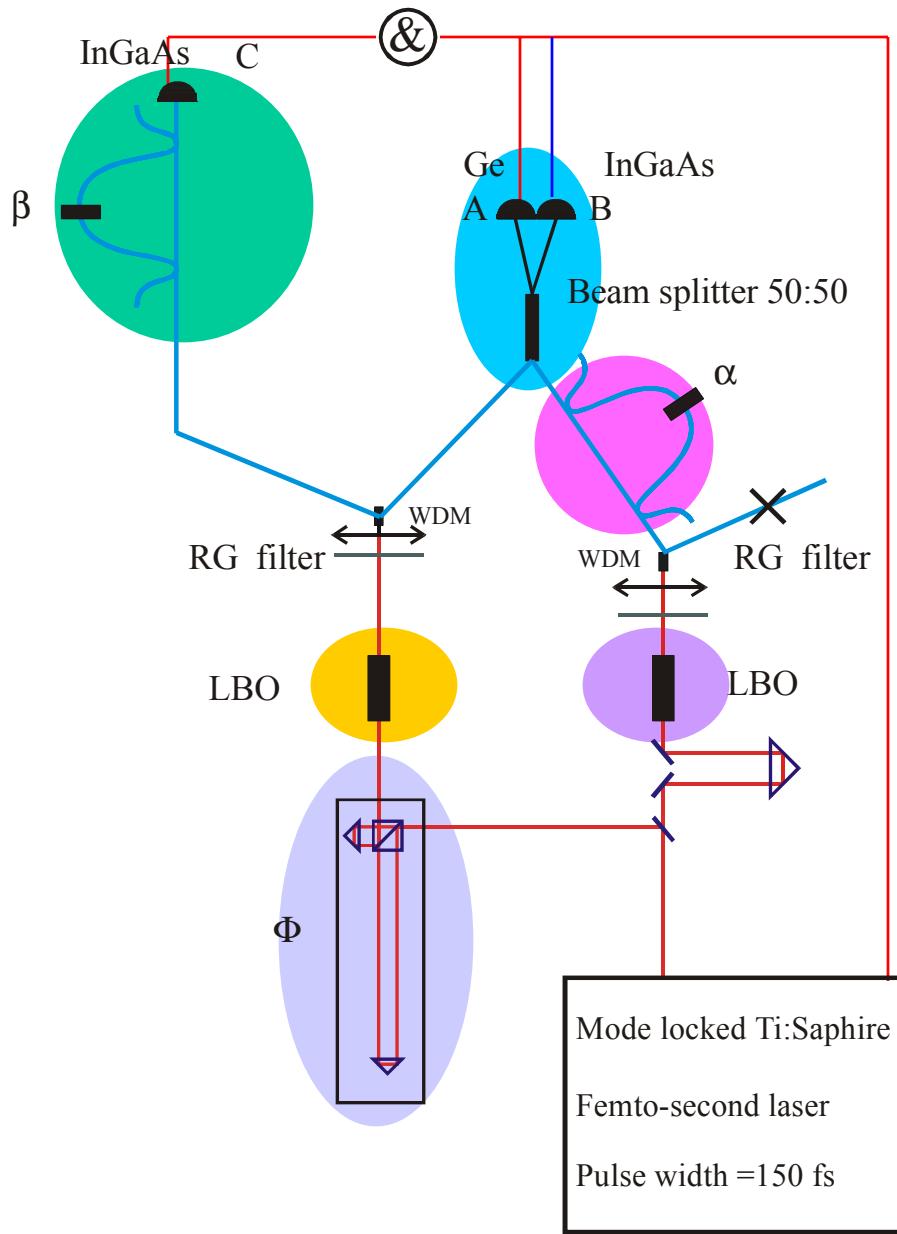
# results



- ⌚ 15 Hz coincidences
- ⌚  $S_{\text{raw}} = 2.41$
- ⌚  $S_{\text{net}} = 2.7$
- ⌚ violation of Bell inequalities by 16 (25) standard-deviations
- ⌚ close to quantum-mechanical predictions
- ⌚ same result in the lab



# teleportation setup



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Creation of a qubit

Creation of an entangled pair

Creation of a photon

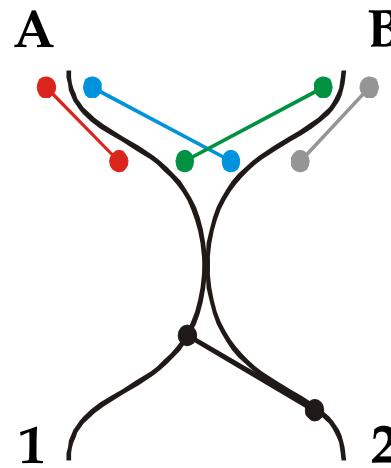
Creation of any qubit  
to be teleported

The Bell measurement

Analysis of the teleported  
qubit

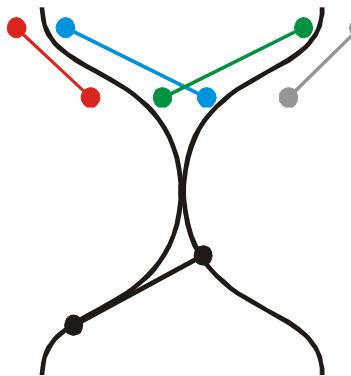
Coincidence electronics

4-fold

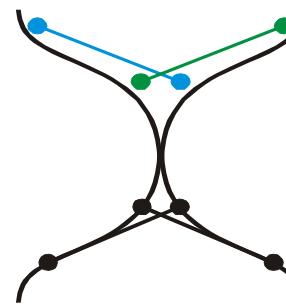
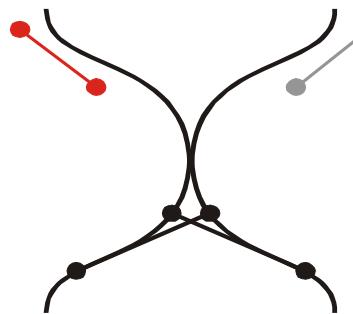


$$|0\rangle_1 |1\rangle_2 \mapsto i|0\rangle_A |1\rangle_A + i|0\rangle_B |1\rangle_B - |0\rangle_A |1\rangle_B - |1\rangle_A |0\rangle_B$$

# Bell state measurement



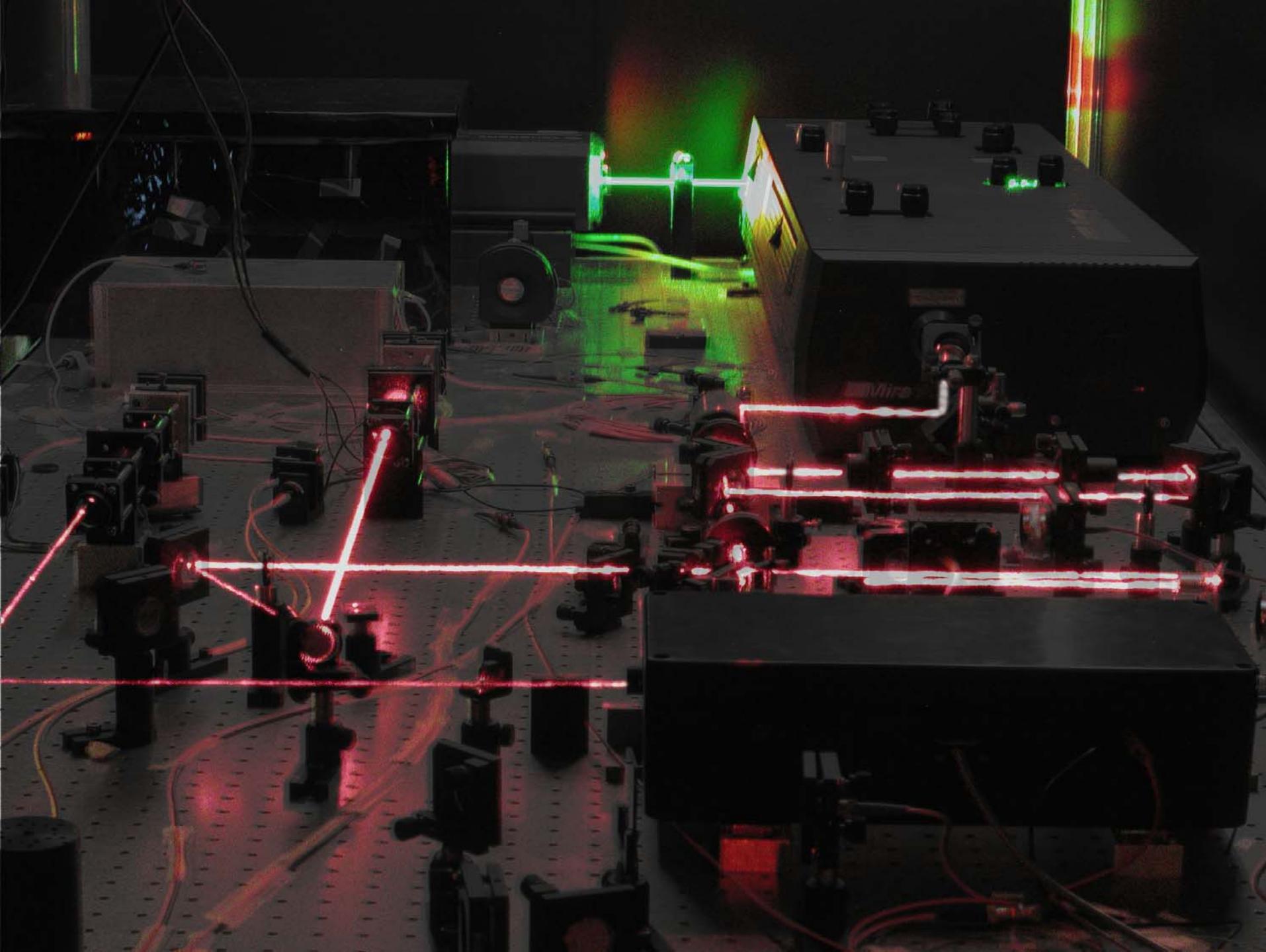
$$|1\rangle_1 |0\rangle_2 \mapsto i|0\rangle_A |1\rangle_A + i|0\rangle_B |1\rangle_B - |0\rangle_A |1\rangle_B - |1\rangle_A |0\rangle_B$$



$$|0\rangle_1 |1\rangle_2 + |1\rangle_1 |0\rangle_2 \mapsto i(|0\rangle_A |1\rangle_A + |0\rangle_B |1\rangle_B)$$

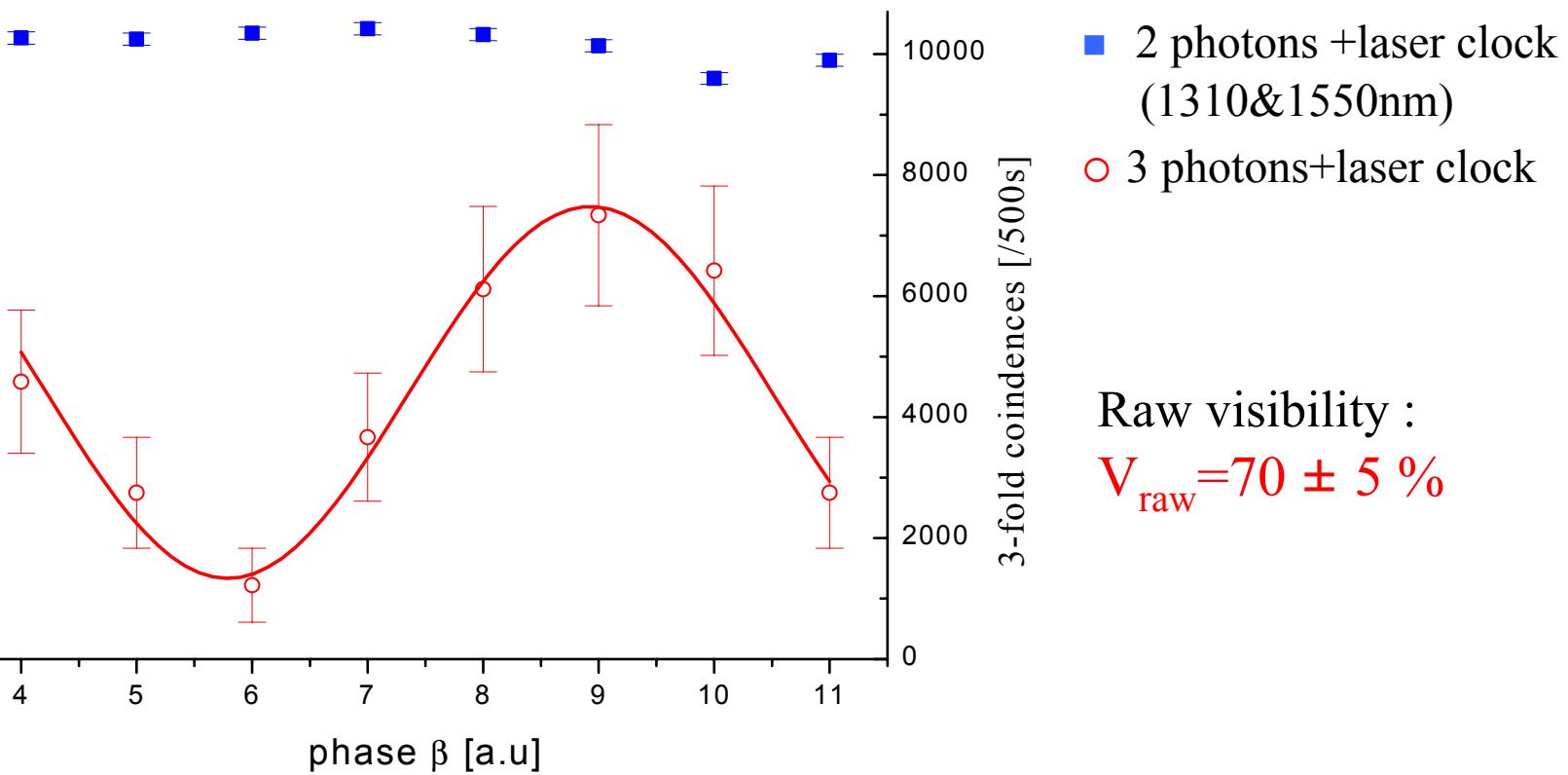
$$|0\rangle_1 |1\rangle_2 - |1\rangle_1 |0\rangle_2 \mapsto |0\rangle_A |1\rangle_B - |1\rangle_A |0\rangle_B$$

H. Weinfurter, *Europhysics Letters* **25**, 559-564 (1994)  
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# Teleportation of a time-bin qubit equatorial states



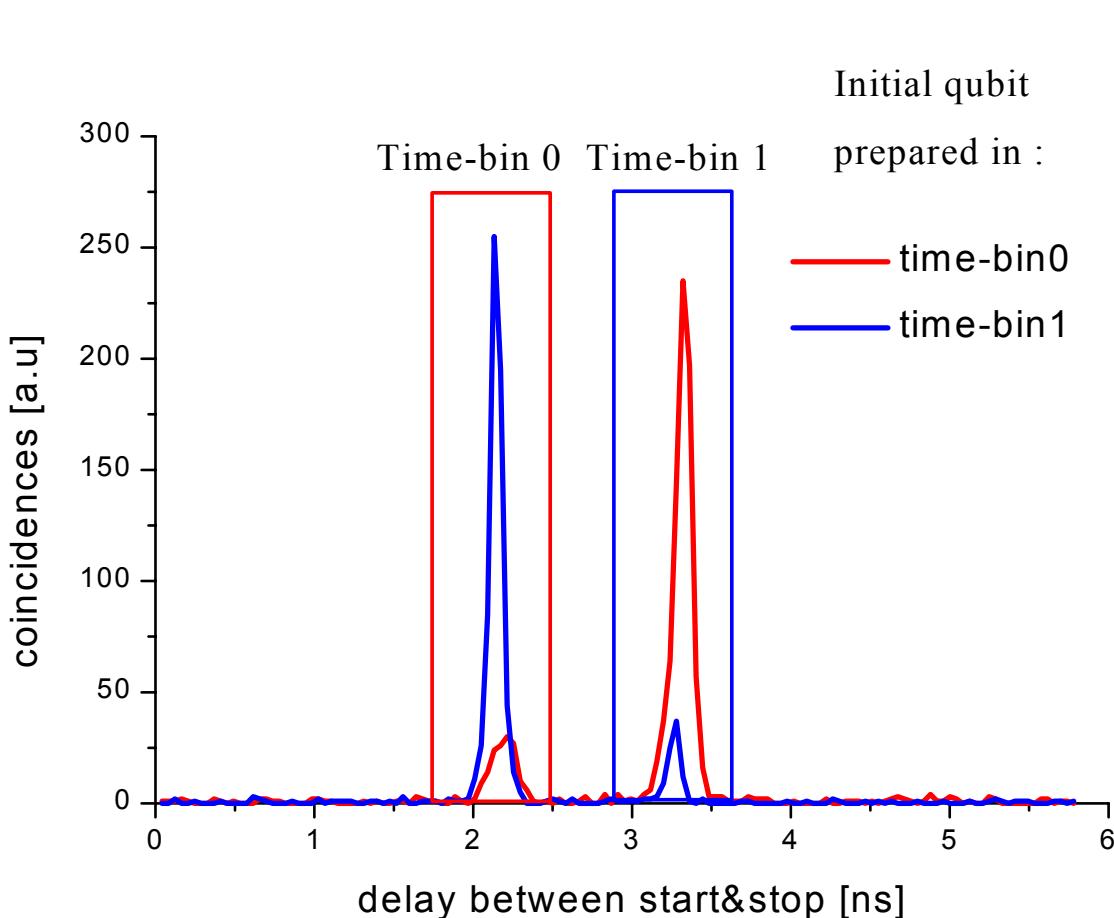
Raw visibility :  
 $V_{\text{raw}} = 70 \pm 5 \%$

Fidelity for equatorial states :  $F_{eq} = \frac{1 + V_{\text{raw}}}{2} = 85 \pm 2.5 \%$



# Teleportation of a time-bin qubit

## North&South poles

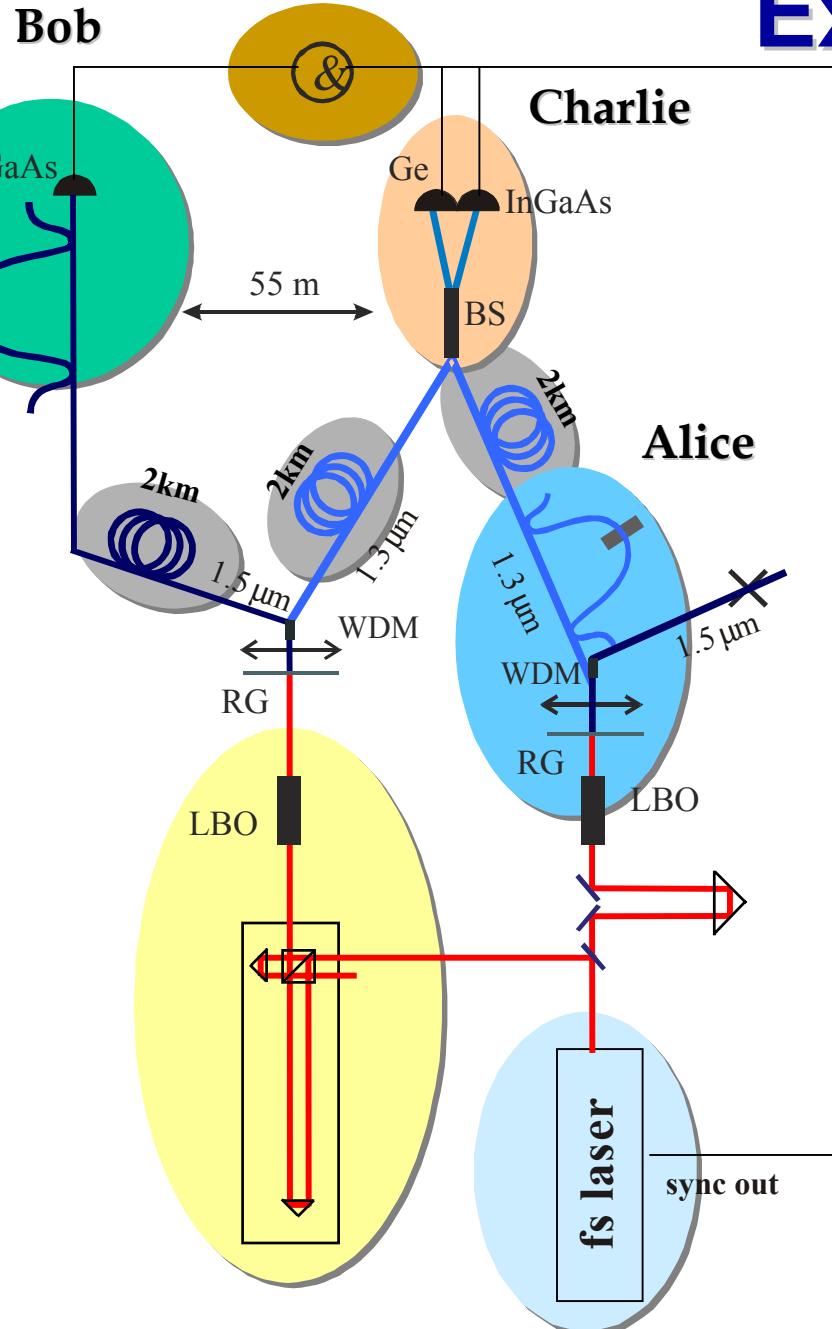


$$F(|0,1\rangle) = \frac{P(|1,0\rangle)}{P(|1,0\rangle) + P(|0,1\rangle)}$$

$$F(|0,1\rangle) = 88\% \pm 4\%$$

$$F(|1,0\rangle) = 84\% \pm 4\%$$

$$F_{tot} = \frac{2}{3} F_{eq} + \frac{1}{3} F_p = 85 \% \pm 3 \%$$



# Experimental setup

fs laser @ 710 nm

Alice: creation of qubits to be teleported

creation of entangled qubits

Charlie: the Bell measurement

Bob: analysis of the teleported qubit, 55 m from Charlie

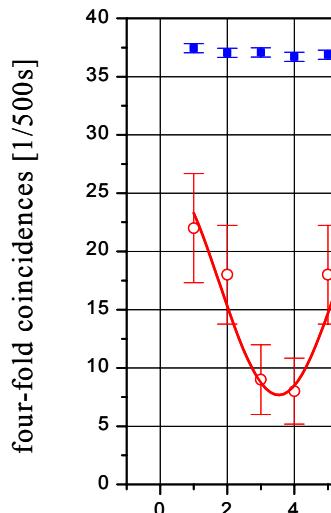
2 km of optical fiber

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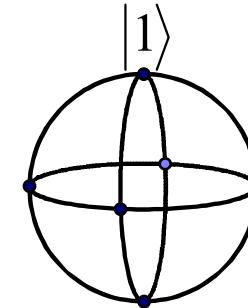
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## Equatorial states

Raw visibility :  $V_{\text{raw}} = 55 \pm 5 \%$ 

$$F_{eq} = \frac{1+V_{\text{raw}}}{2} = 77.5 \pm 2.5 \%$$



$$F = \frac{C_{\text{correct}}}{C_{\text{wrong}}}$$

wrong

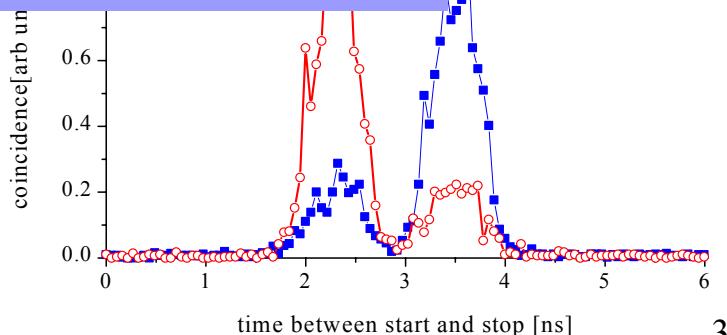
 $\pm 3\%$  $\pm 3\%$  $77.5 \pm 3 \%$ 

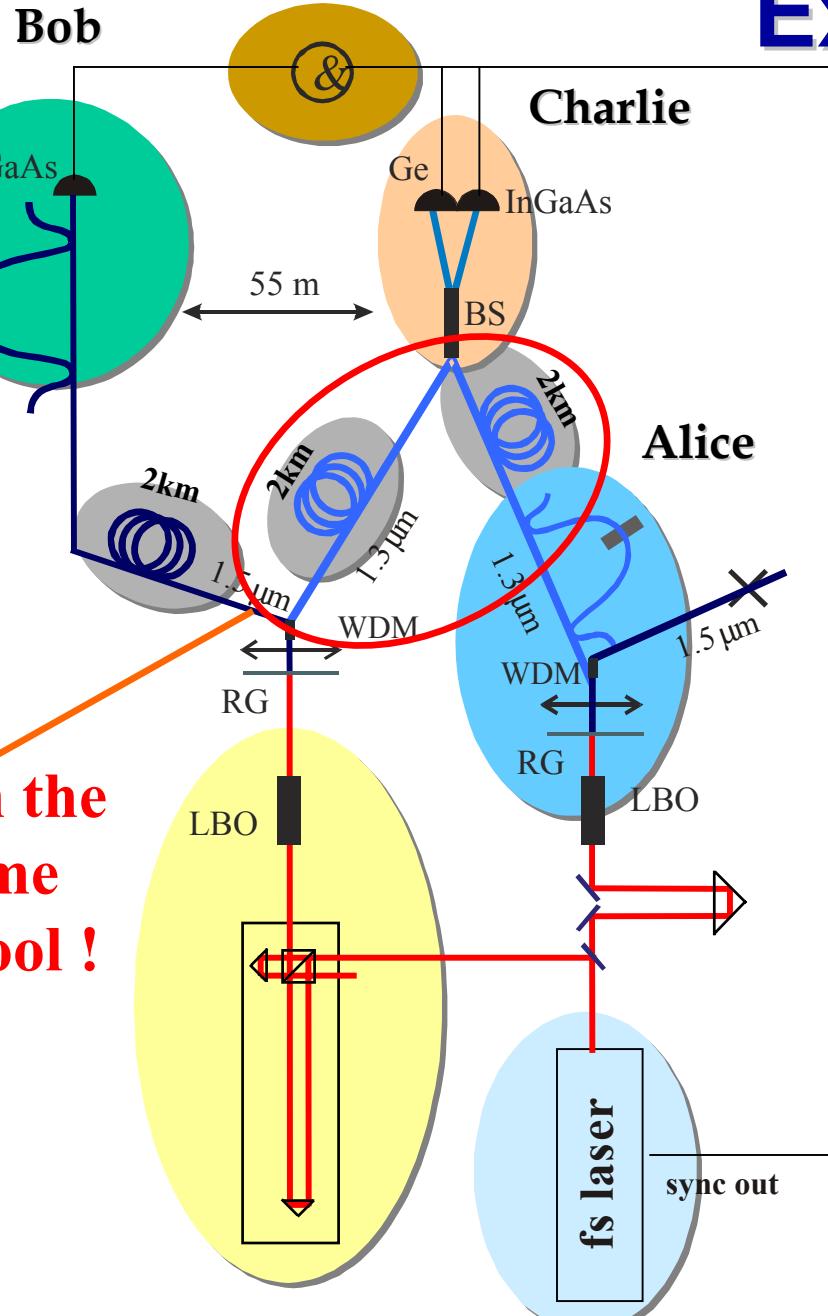
th poles

## Mean Fidelity

$$F_{mean} = \frac{2}{3} F_{eq} + \frac{1}{3} F_p \\ = 77.5 \pm 2.5 \%$$

» 67 % (no entanglement)





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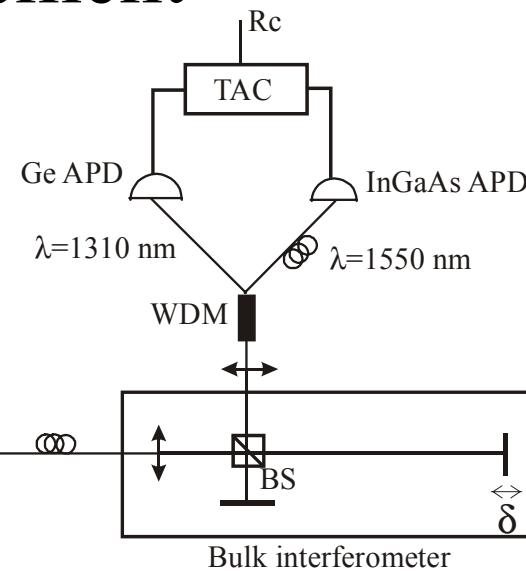
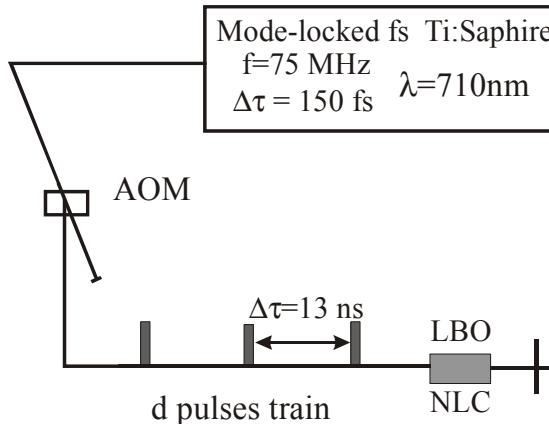
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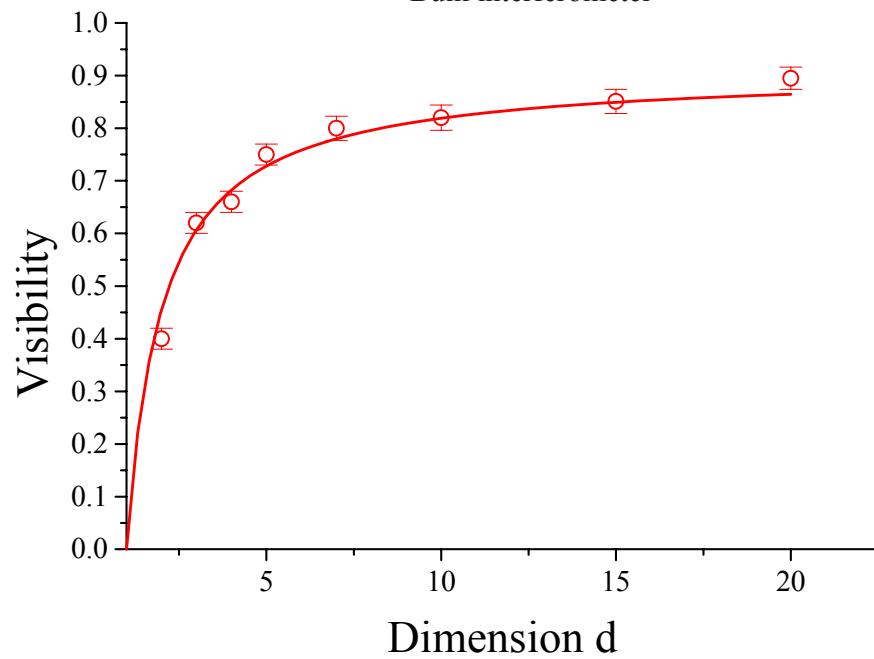
# Tailoring high dimensional time-bin entanglement



Analysis with 2-arms interferometer

$$V = V_{\max} \frac{d-1}{d}$$

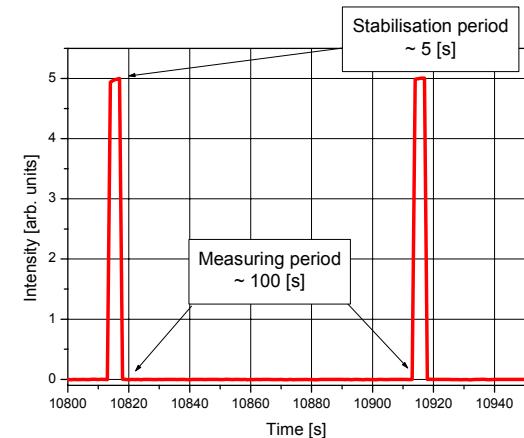
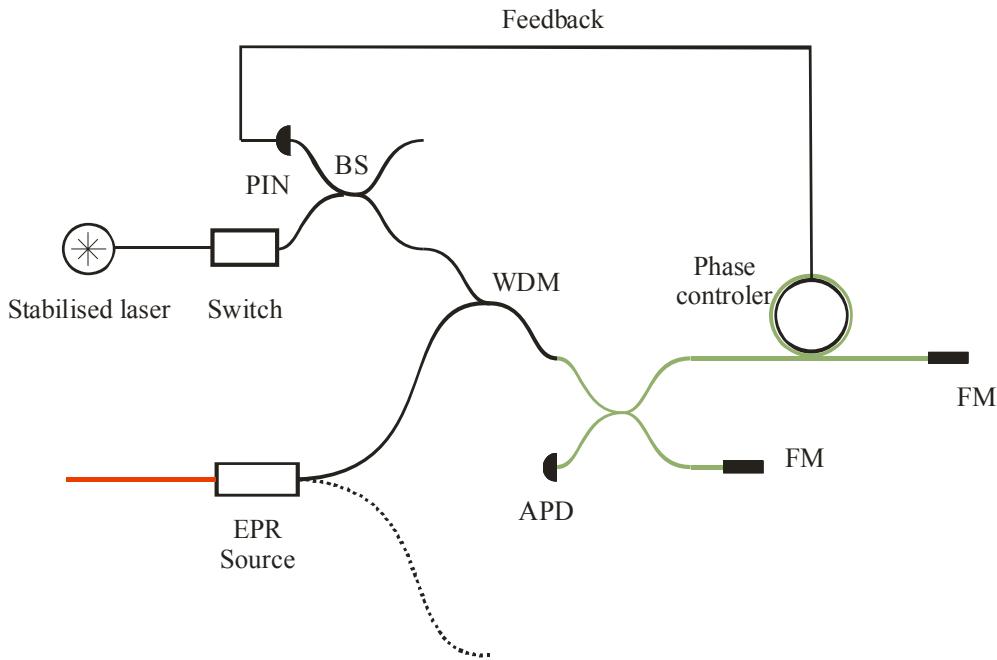
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# Stabilisation of the interferometers



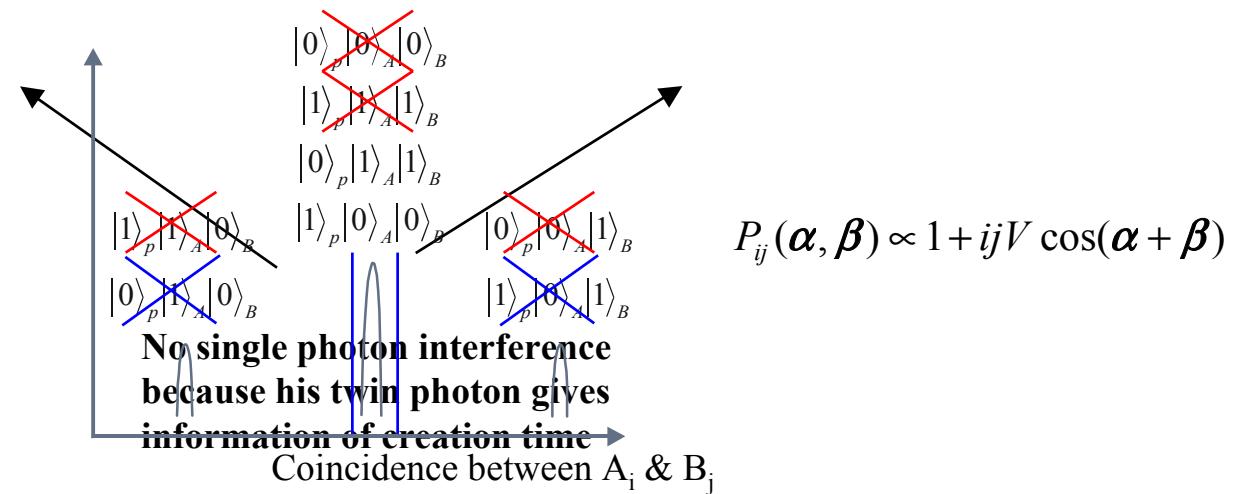
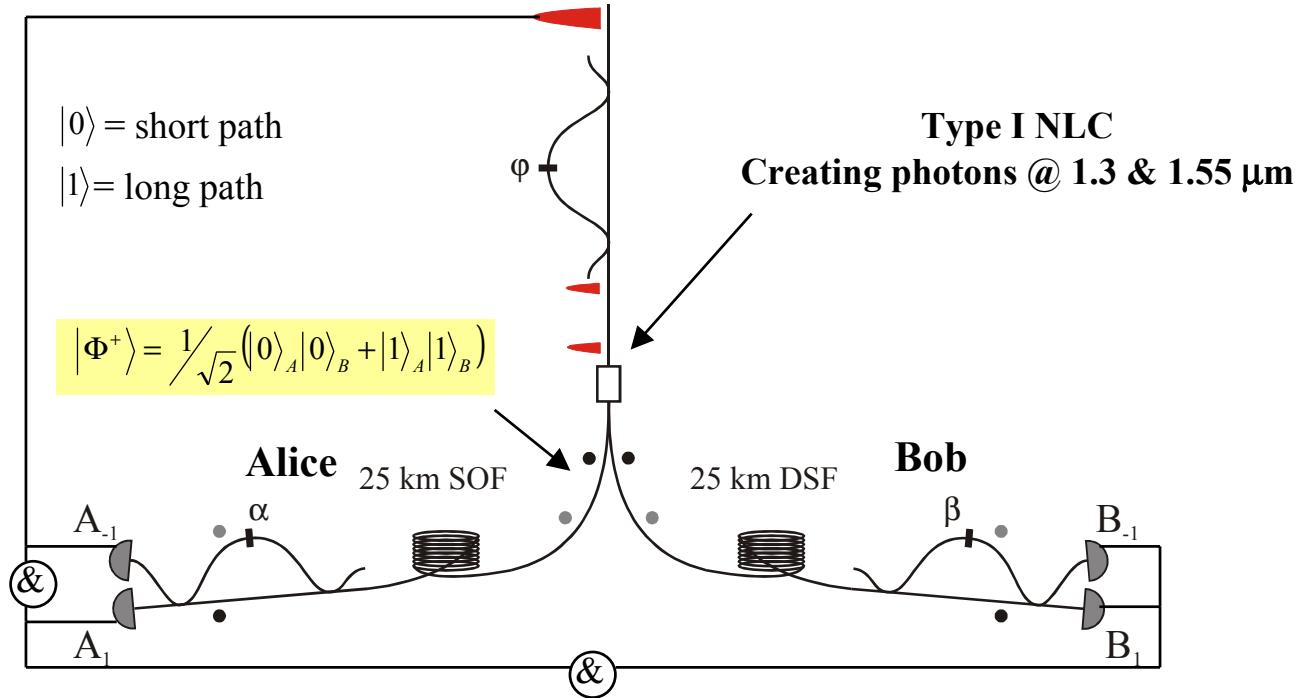
Idea: verify from time to time the phase



Every 100 s the phase is brought back to a given value



# Bell test over 50 km





# Bell test over 50 km

- ❑ Until now no phase control
- ❑ Correlation function:  $E(\alpha, \beta) = V \cos(\alpha + \beta)$
- ❑ Violation of Bell inequalities depends on visibility:

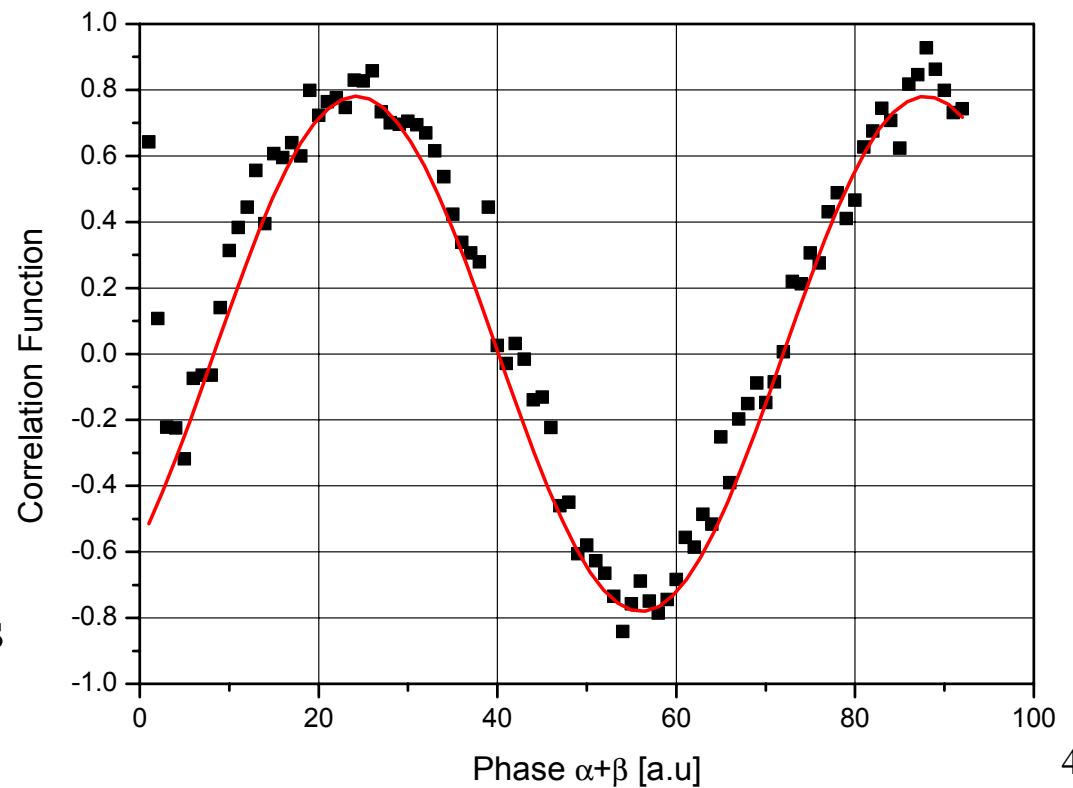
$$S = \frac{4}{\sqrt{2}} V$$

Raw visibility after 50 km

$$V_{raw} = 78 \pm 1.6\%$$

$$S = 2.21 \pm 0.04$$

Violation of Bell inequalities  
by more than  $4.5 \sigma$





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- With phase control we can choose four different settings  $\alpha = 0^\circ$  or  $90^\circ$  and  $\beta = -45^\circ$  or  $45^\circ$
- Violation of Bell inequalities:

$$S = E(\alpha = 0^\circ, \beta = -45^\circ) + E(\alpha = 90^\circ, \beta = -45^\circ) + E(\alpha = 0^\circ, \beta = 45^\circ) - E(\alpha = 90^\circ, \beta = 45^\circ)$$

$$E(\alpha = 0^\circ, \beta = -45^\circ) = 0.518 \pm 0.006$$

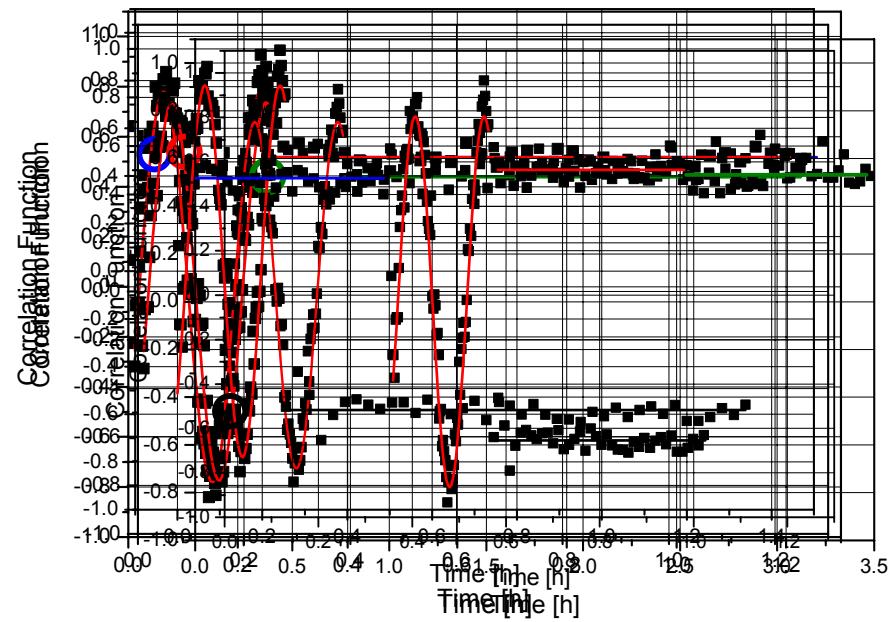
$$E(\alpha = 90^\circ, \beta = -45^\circ) = 0.554 \pm 0.005$$

$$E(\alpha = 0^\circ, \beta = 45^\circ) = 0.533 \pm 0.006$$

$$E(\alpha = 90^\circ, \beta = 45^\circ) = 0.581 \pm 0.007$$

$$S = 2.185 \pm 0.012$$

Violation of Bell inequalities  
by more than  $15\sigma$





# For what could Q teleportation be useful ?

- ✉ For the physicist's fascination !
- ✉ For teaching Q physics !
- ✉ For the secure communications of tomorrow !

If the structure to be teleported contains a message, then no adversary can intercept it, since it doesn't exist anywhere inbetween the emitter and the receiver !

Let's exploit this idea

to make the idea practical with today's technology

to improve tomorrow's quantum cryptography

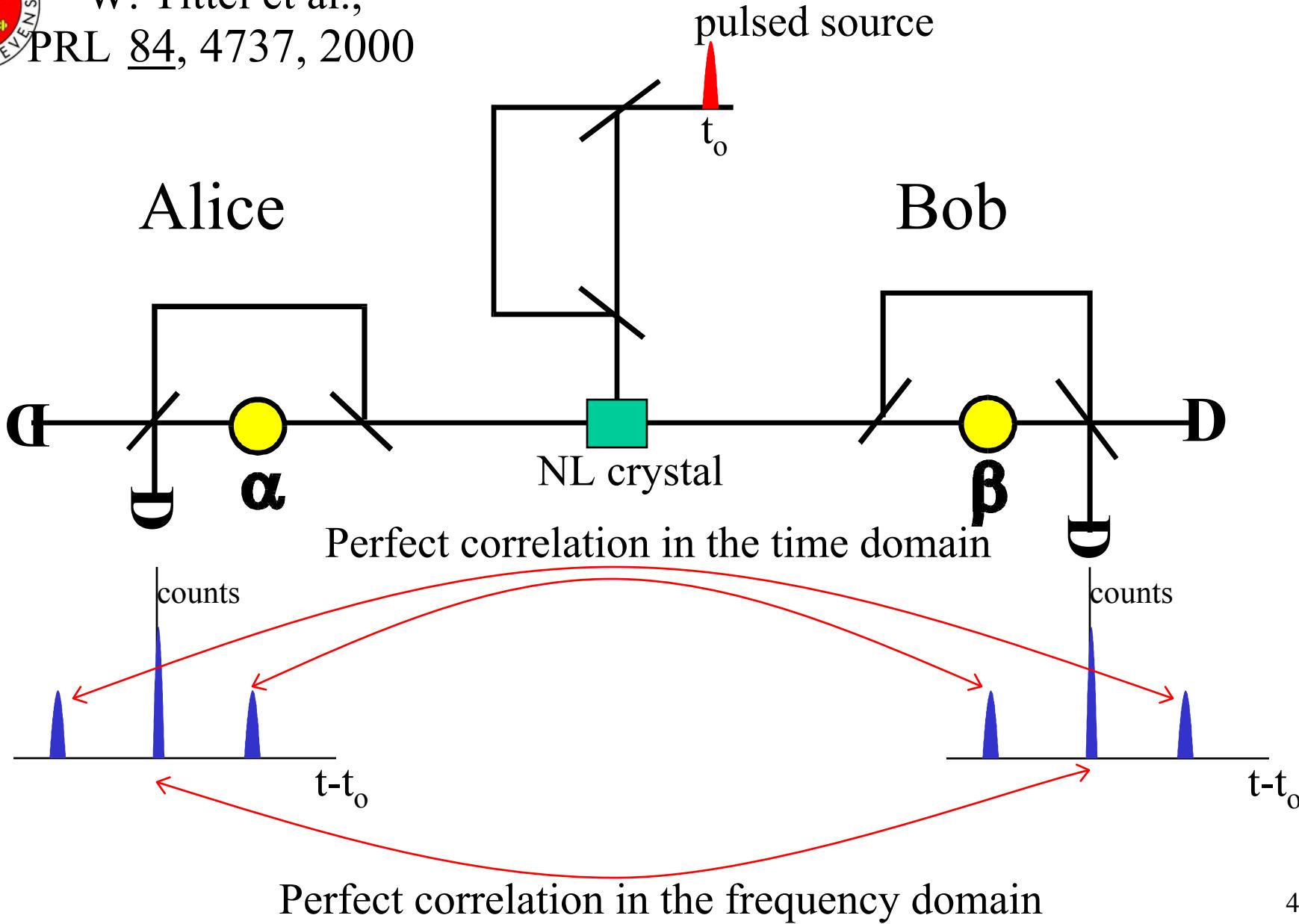
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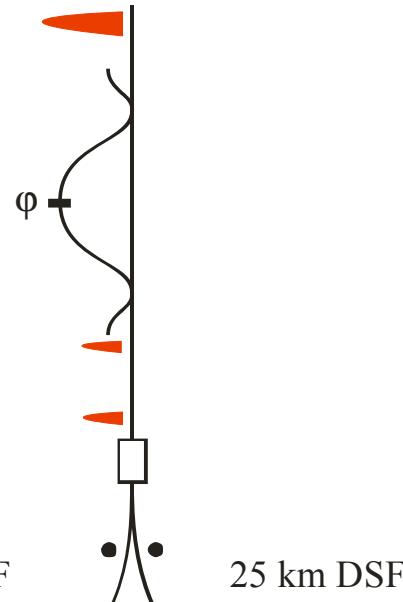
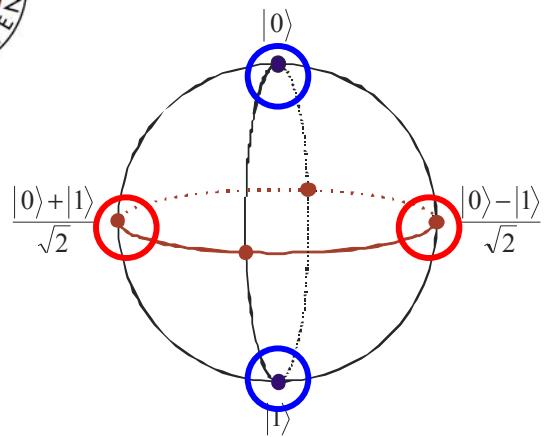
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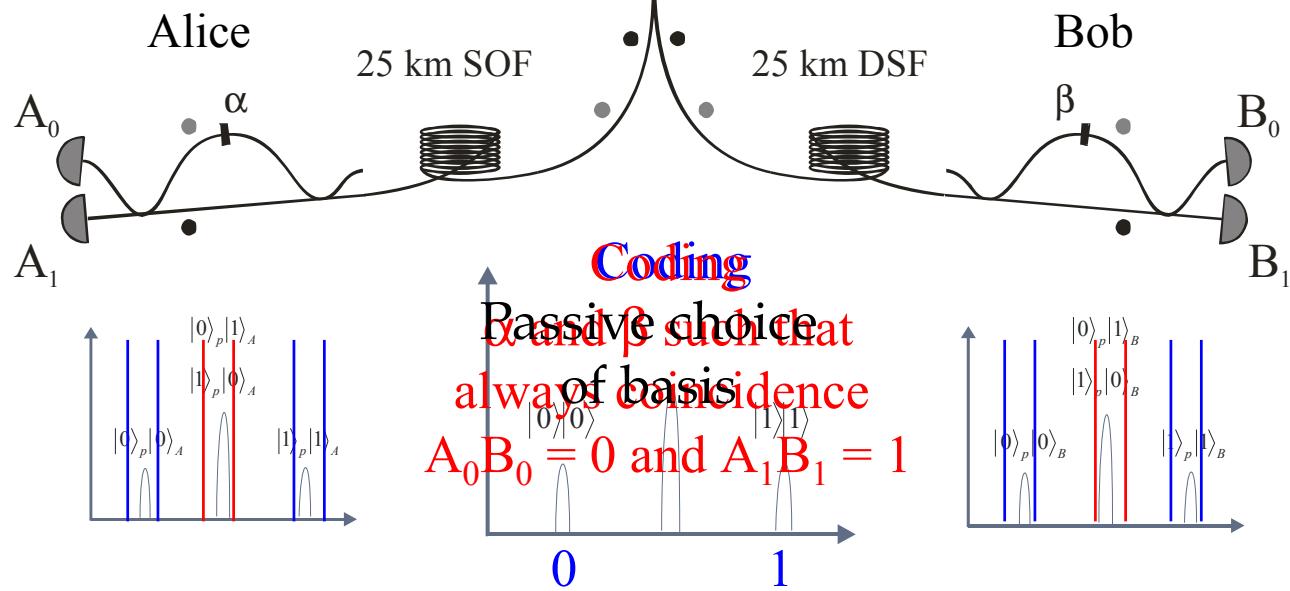
# Simulation of QKD over 50 km



BB84 protocol

$|0\rangle, |1\rangle$  basis

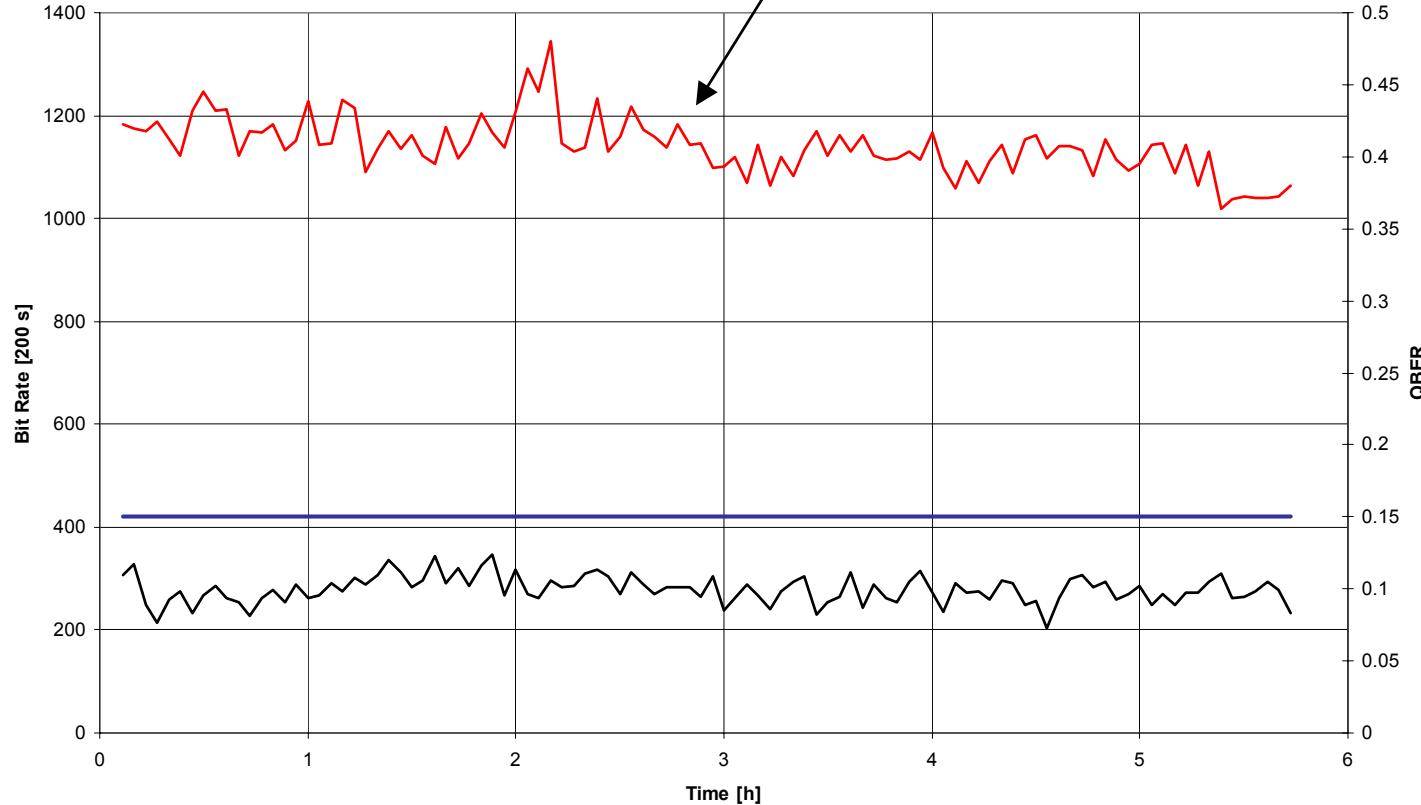
$\frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$  basis





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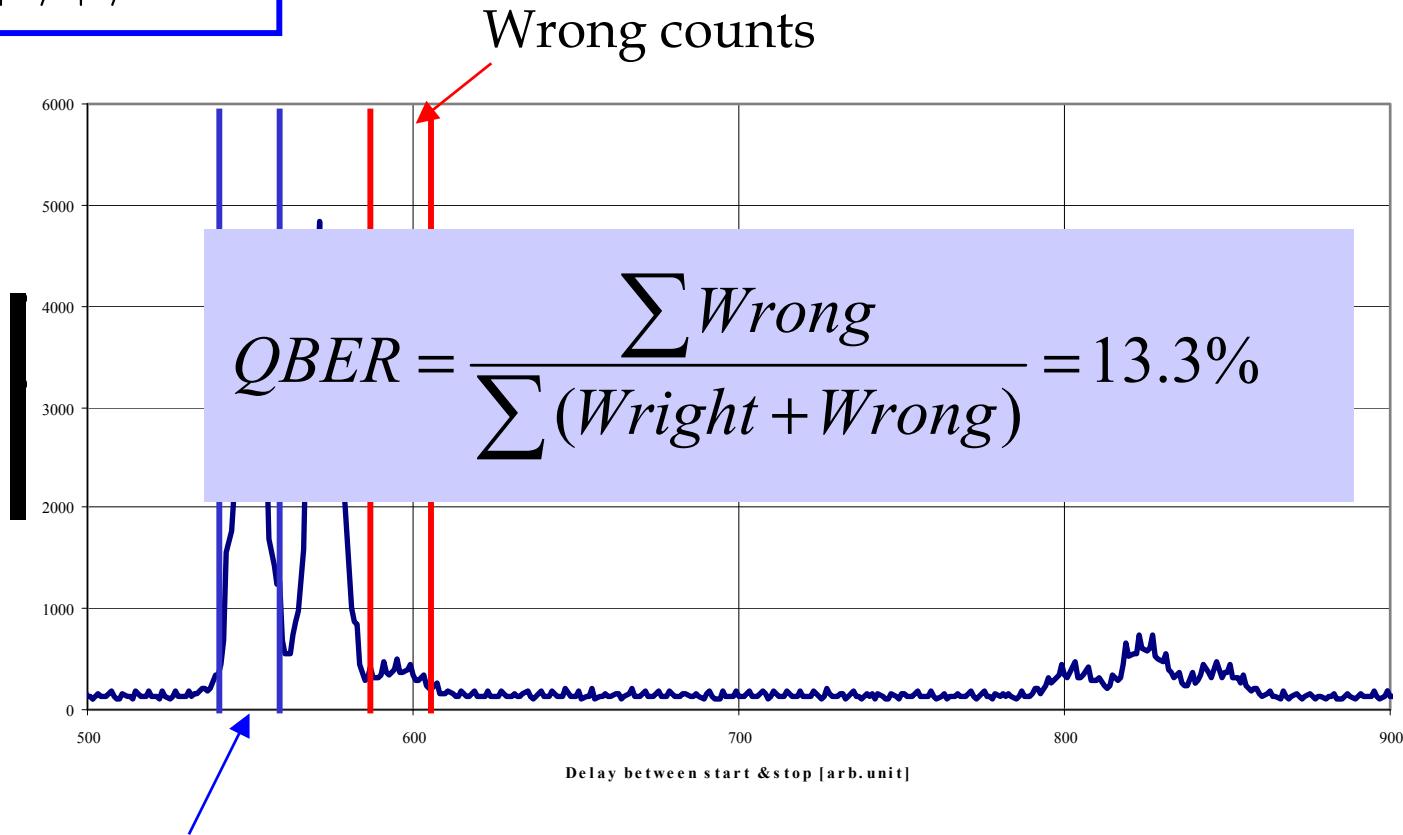


Mean value of QBER = 10 %



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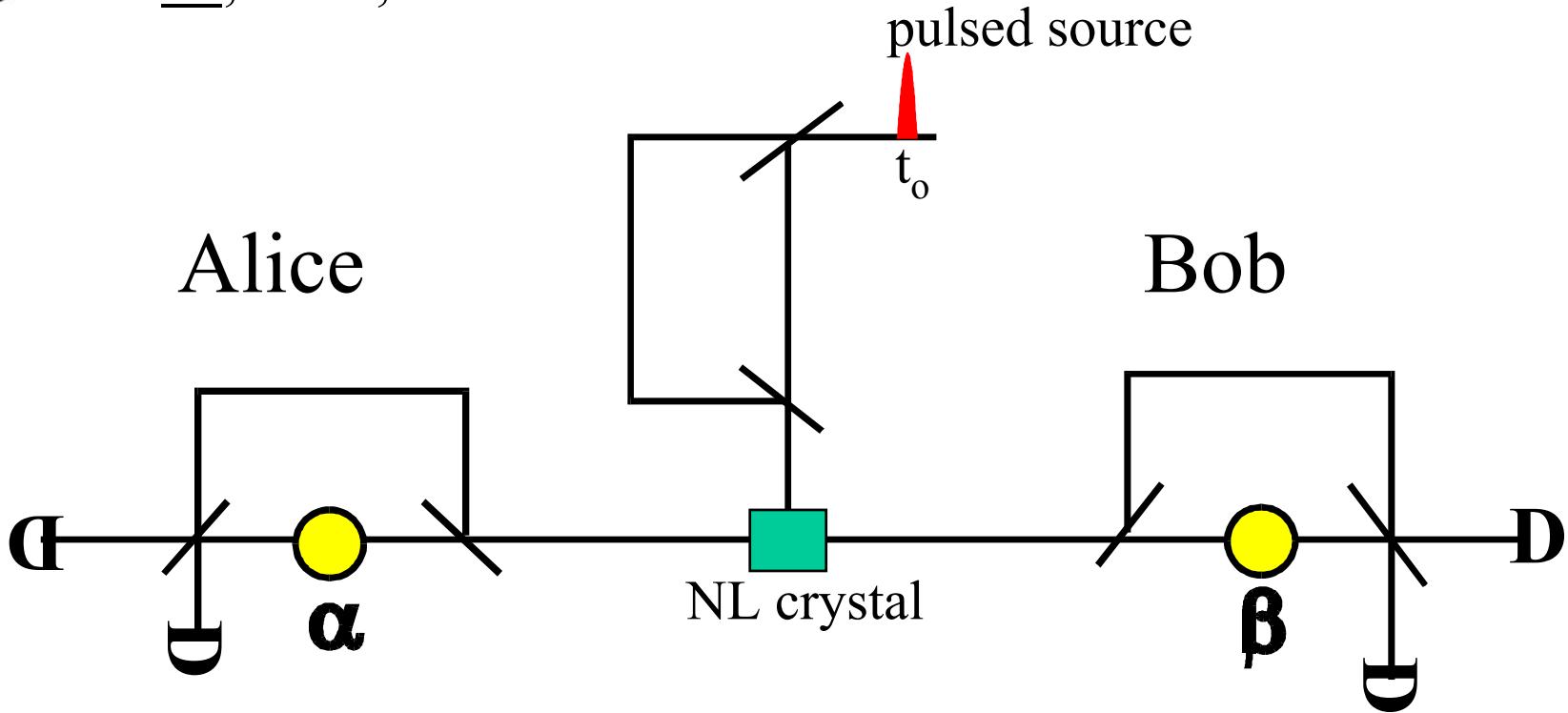
Coincidences between  $A_0$  and  $B_0$



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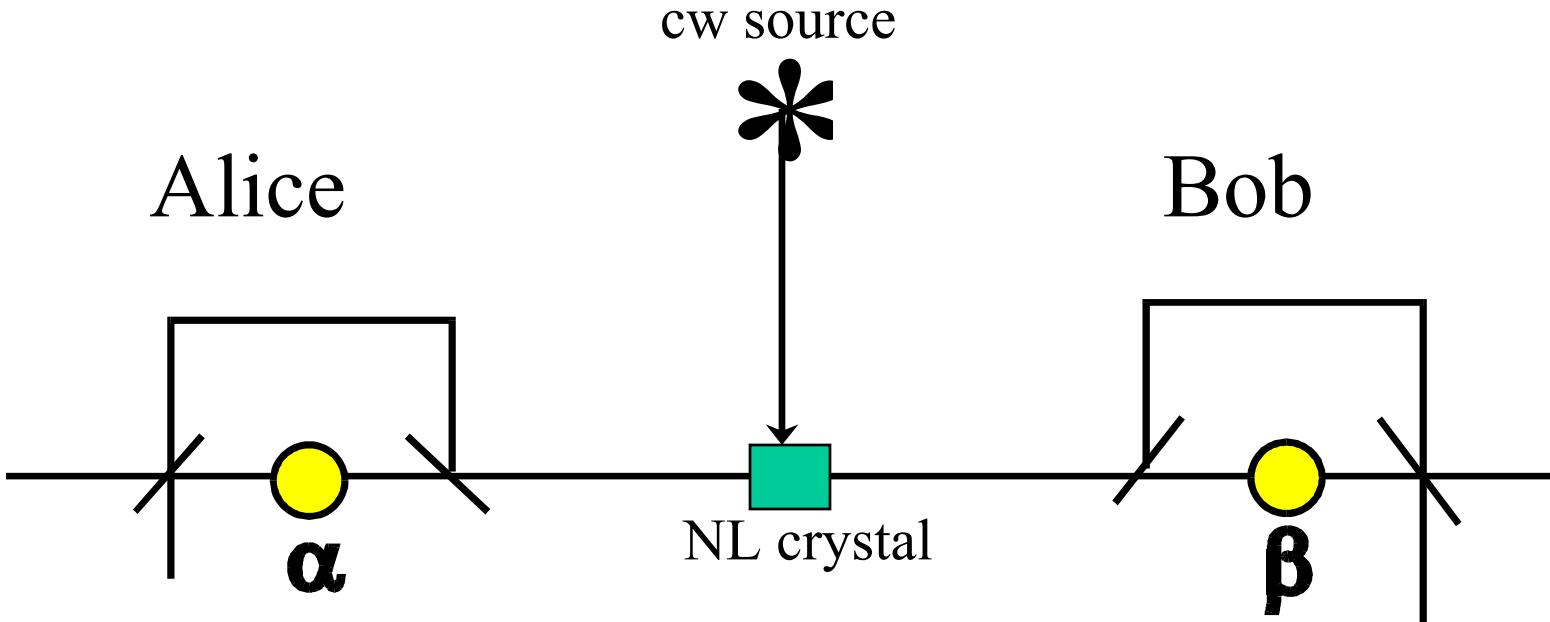
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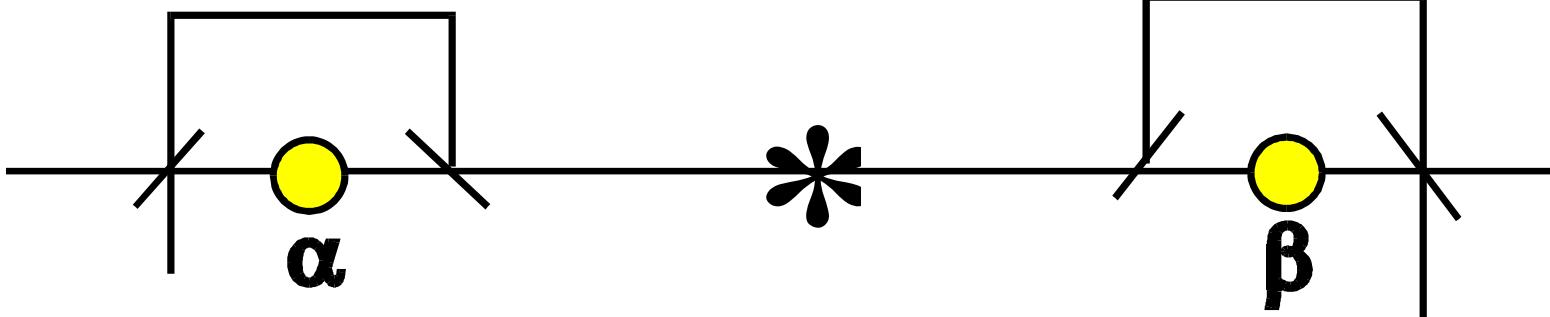
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Alice

Bob



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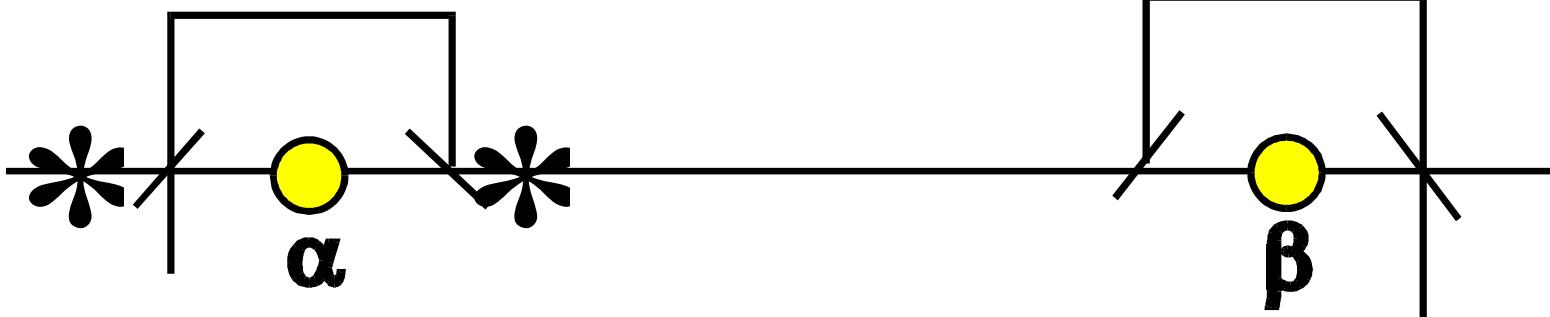
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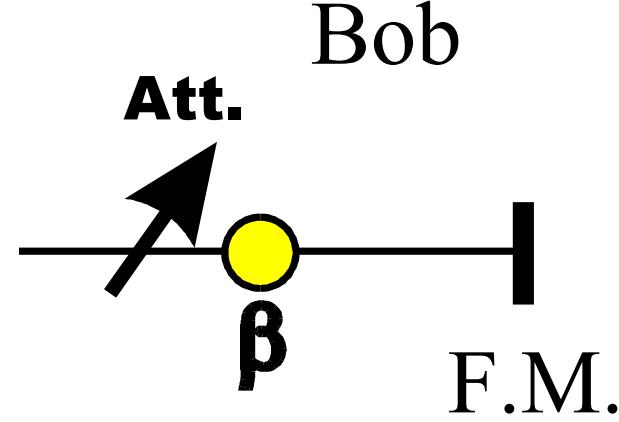
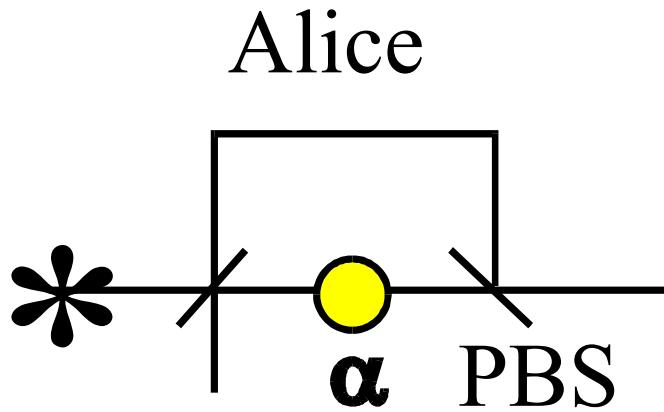
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# Quantum cryptography below lake Geneva

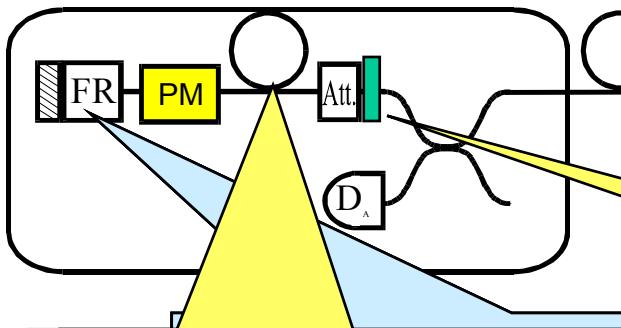


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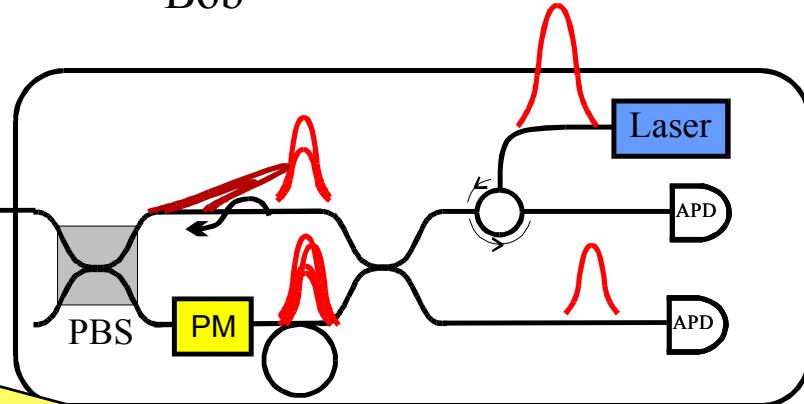


# Pseudo single-photon Q cryptography: the Plug-&-Play configuration

Alice

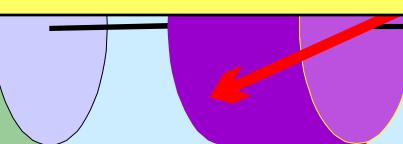


Bob



Drawback 1:  
Rayleigh backscattering

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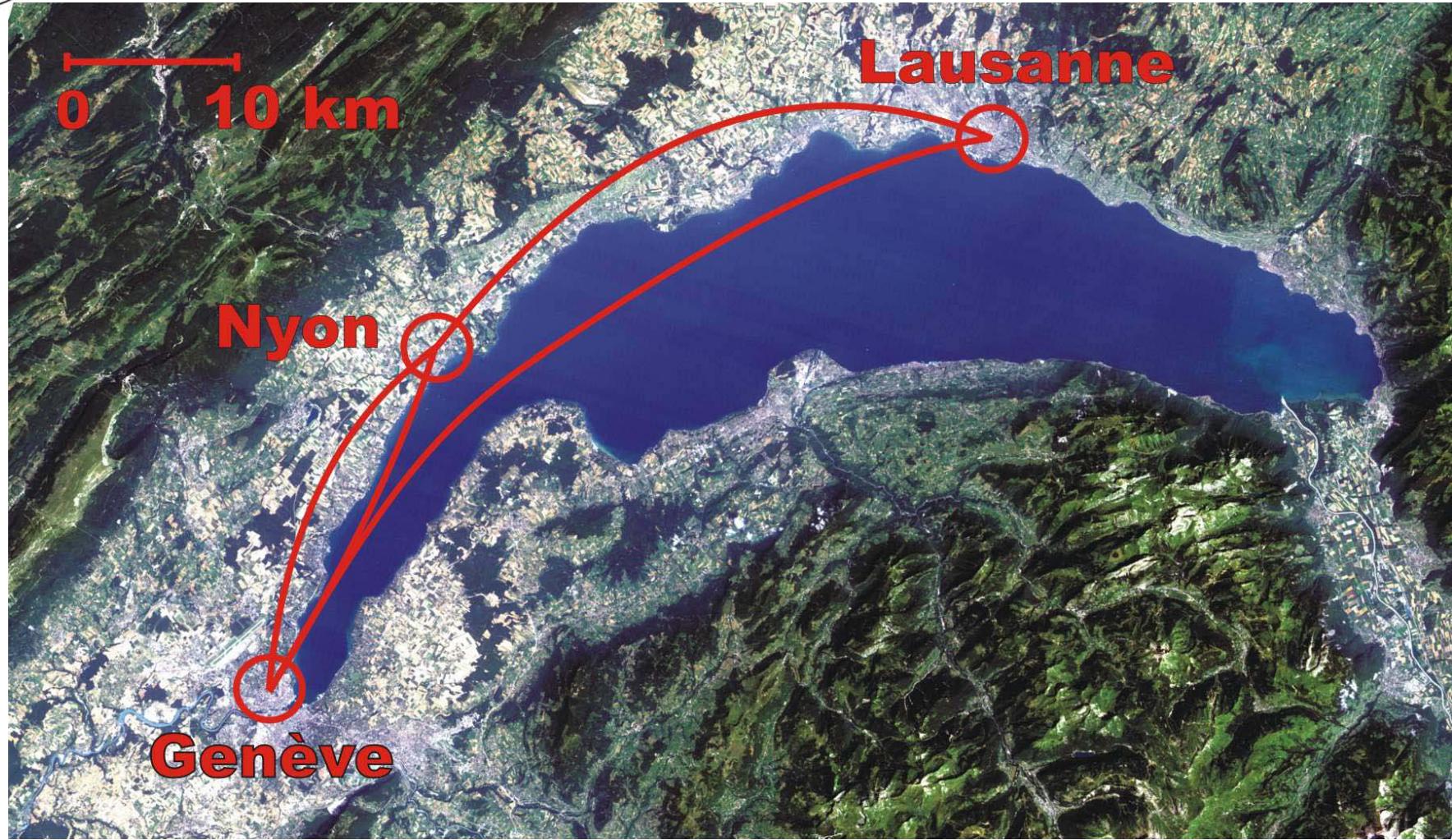
Drawback 2:  
Trojan horse attacks  
in inverse order  
the polarisation thanks to FM

Diagram illustrating a Trojan horse attack. A red arrow enters a fiber and is reflected off a mirror. A blue arrow shows the signal being processed by a Faraday Modulator (FM) and then sent back through the fiber. A circular inset shows the polarization ellipse changing orientation as it passes through the FM.



QC over 67 km, QBER  $\approx 5\%$

RMP 74, 145-195, 2002,  
Quant-ph/0101098



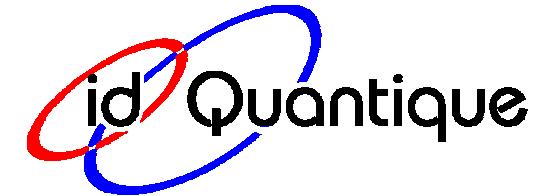
+ aerial cable (in Ste Croix, Jura) !

D. Stucki et al., New Journal of Physics  
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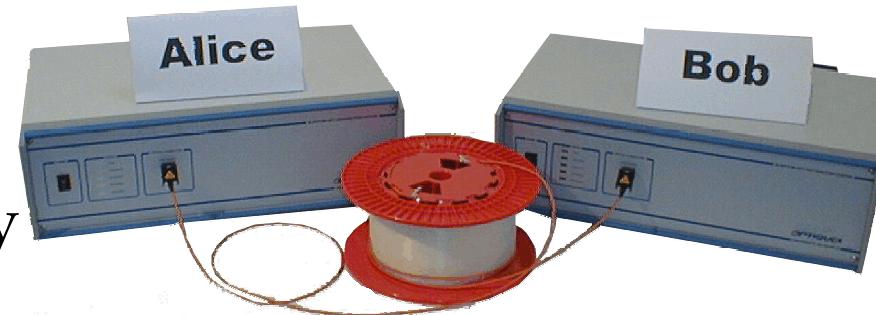
## Company established in 2001

- Spin-off from the University of Geneva



## Products

- Quantum Cryptography  
(optical fiber system)
- Quantum Random Number Generator
- Single-photon detector module (1.3  $\mu\text{m}$  and 1.55  $\mu\text{m}$ )

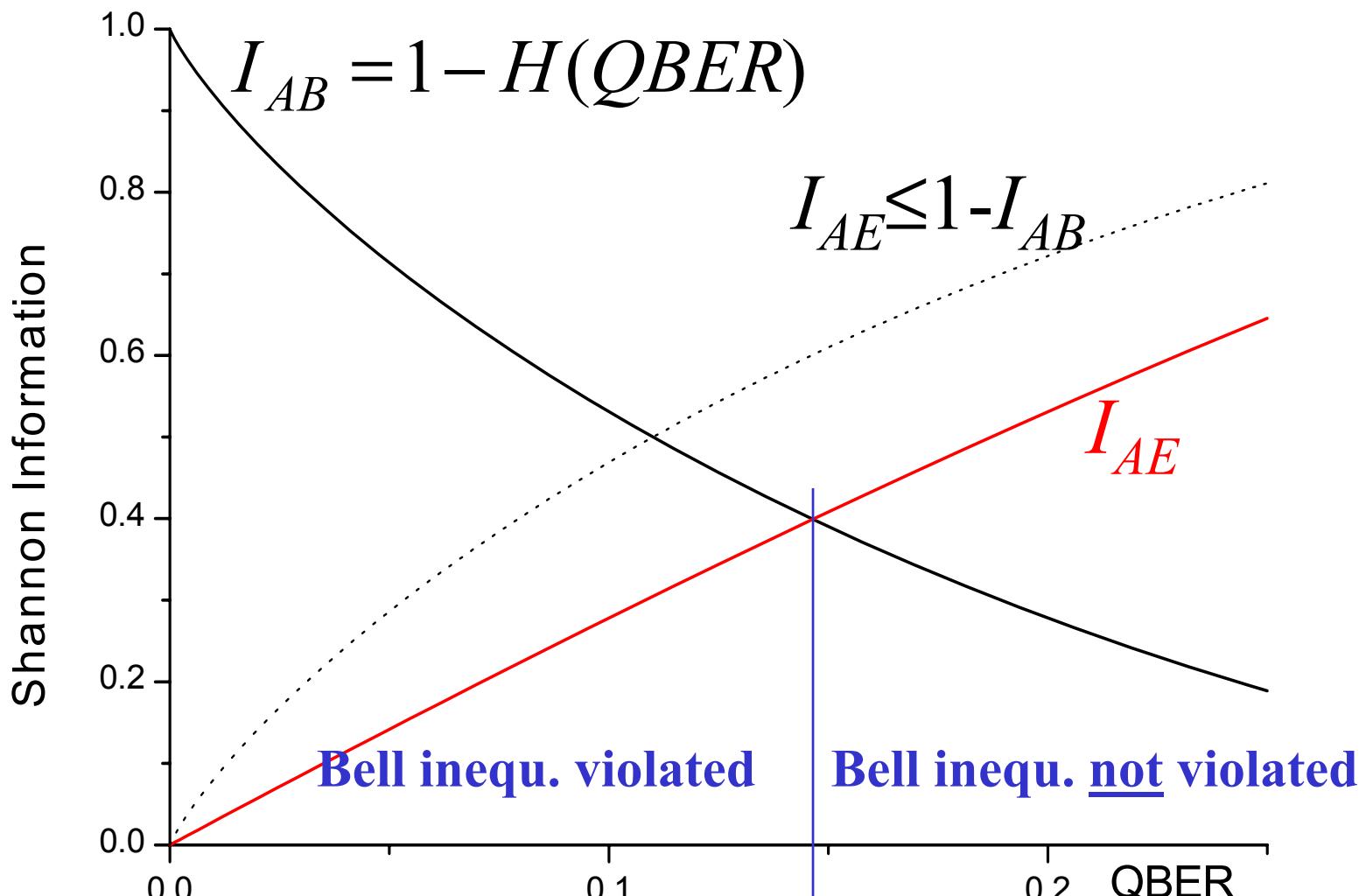


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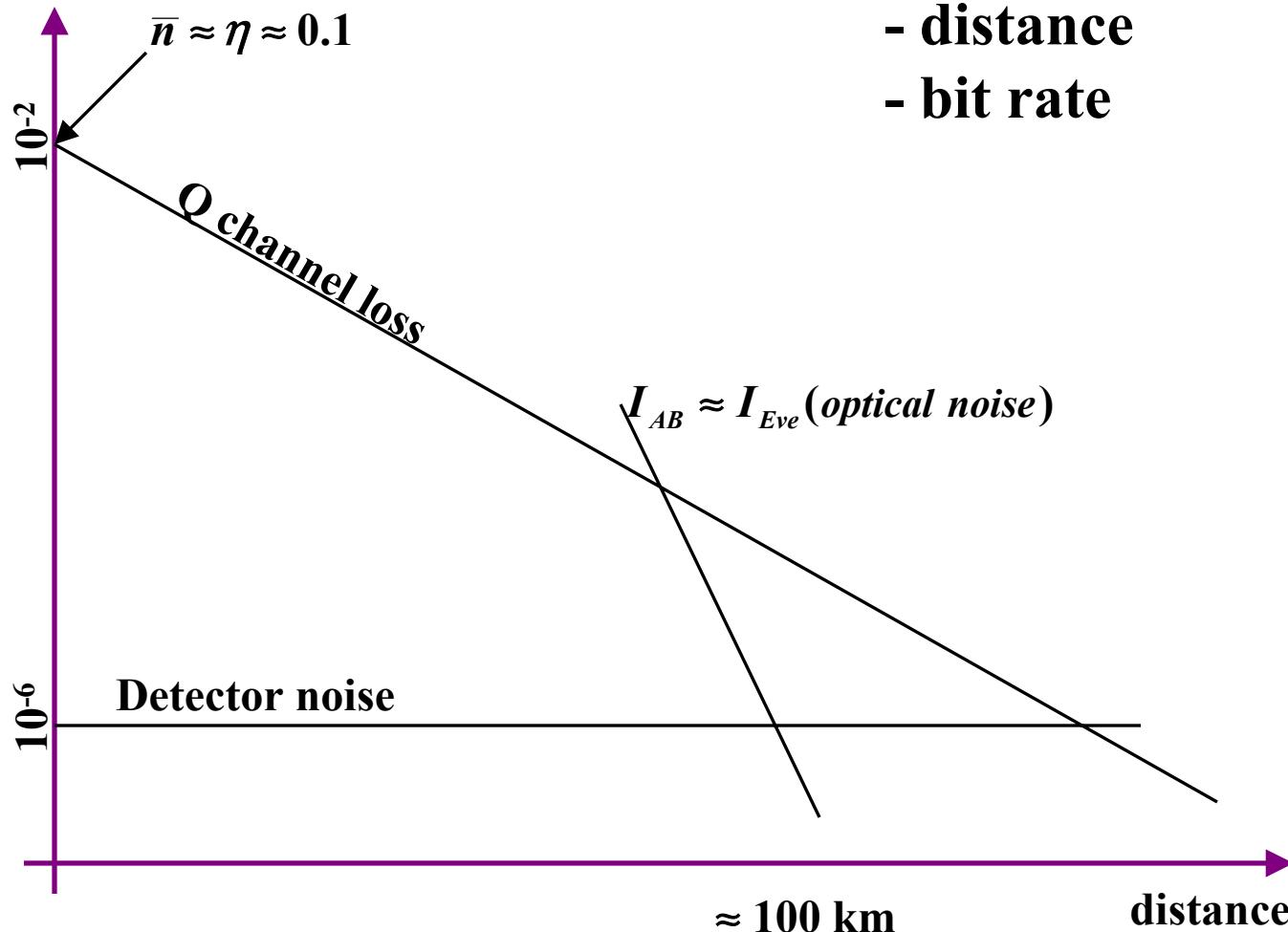
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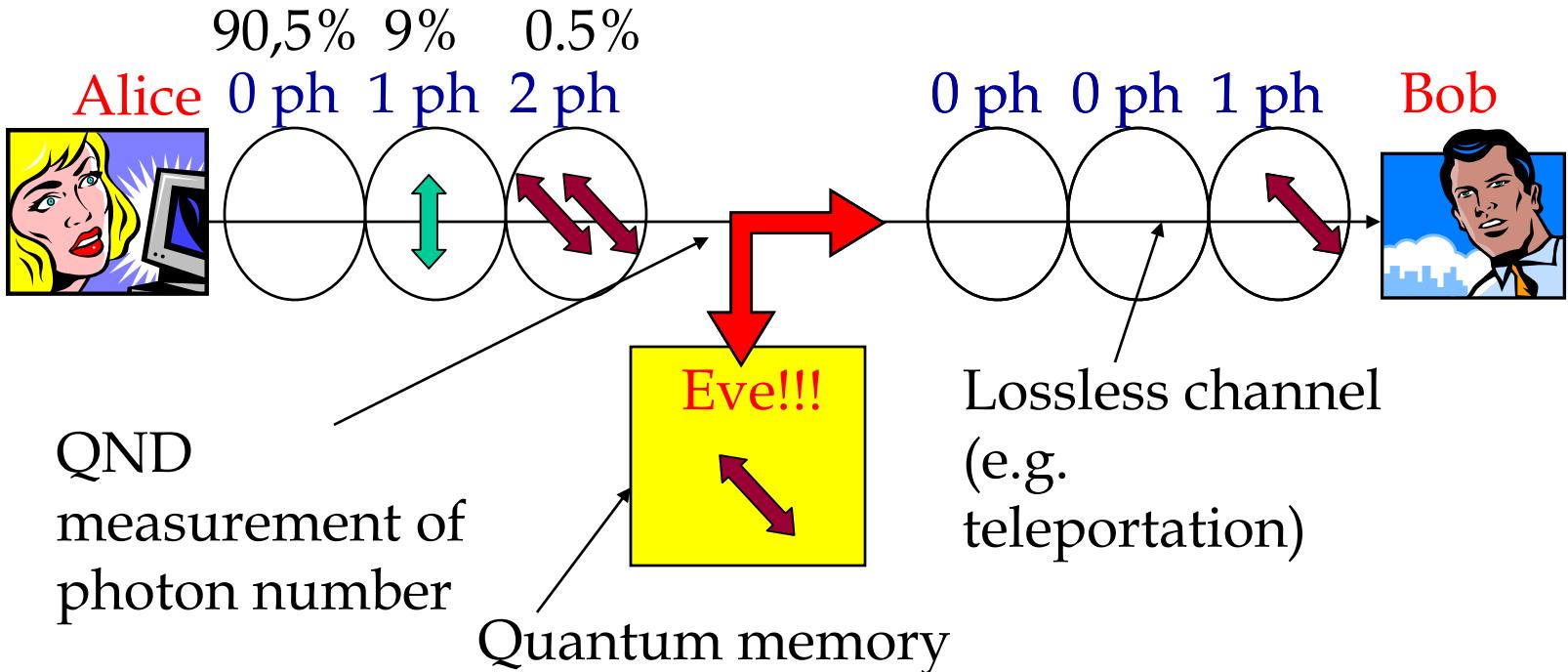


# Limits of Q crypto





# PNS Attack: the idea

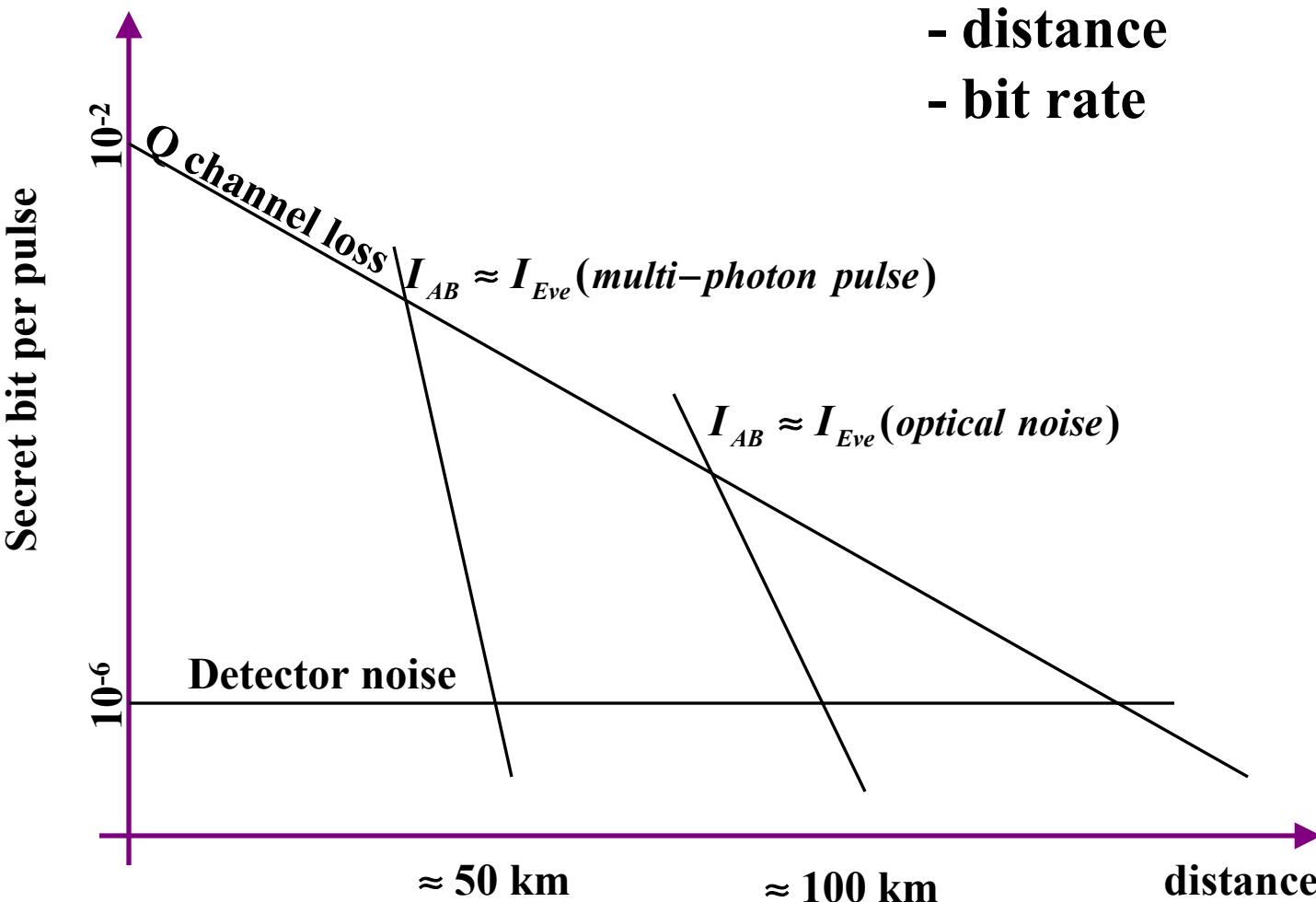


→ PNS (photon-number splitting):

- ◆ The photons that reach Bob are **unperturbed**
- ◆ Constraint for Eve: do not introduce more losses than expected (PNS important for **long-distance QKD**).



# Limits of Q crypto





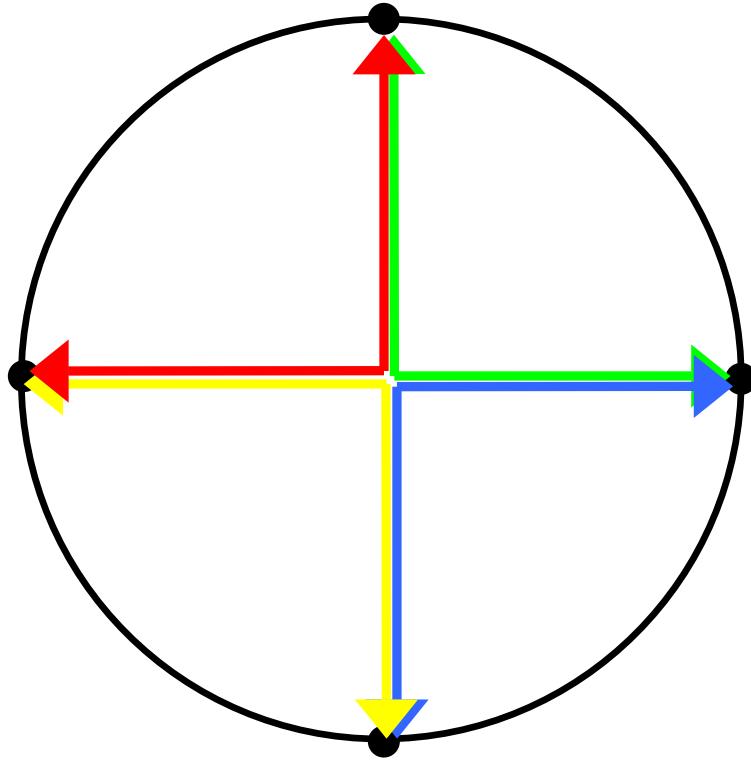
# How to improve Q crypto ?

	Effect on distance	Effect on bit rate	Feasibility
<b>Detectors</b>	↑	↑	↑
<b>1-ν source</b>	↗	→	↗
<b>Q channel</b>	↑	↑	→
<b>Protocols</b>	→	↑	↑
<b>Q relays</b>	↗	→	↑
<b>Q repeater</b>	↑	↑	→





# A new protocol: SARG



⇒ More robust against PNS attacks !

The quantum protocol is identical to the BB84

During the public discussion phase of the new protocol Alice doesn't announce bases but sets of non-orthogonal states

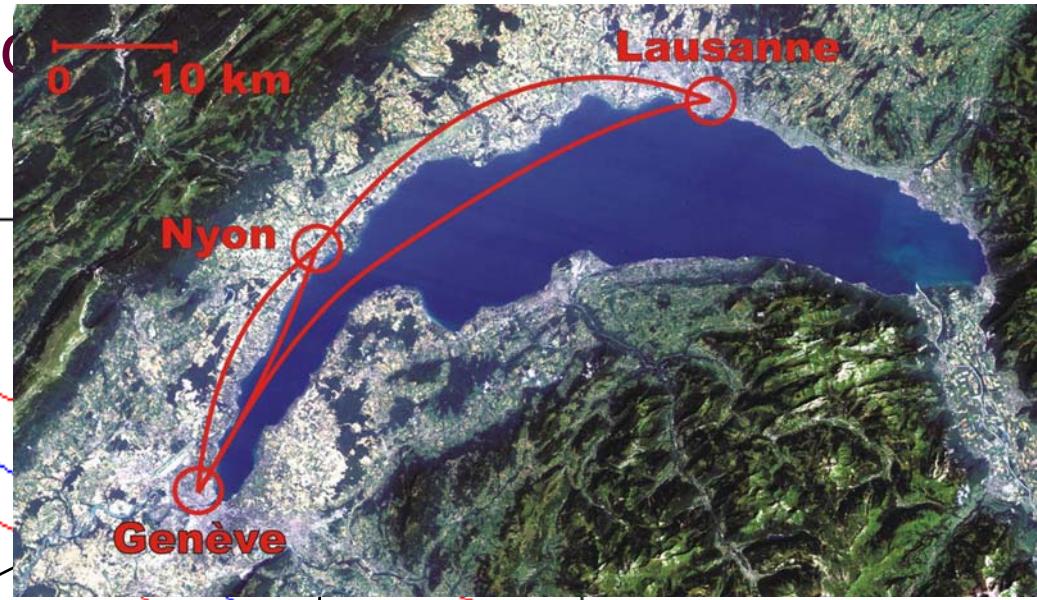
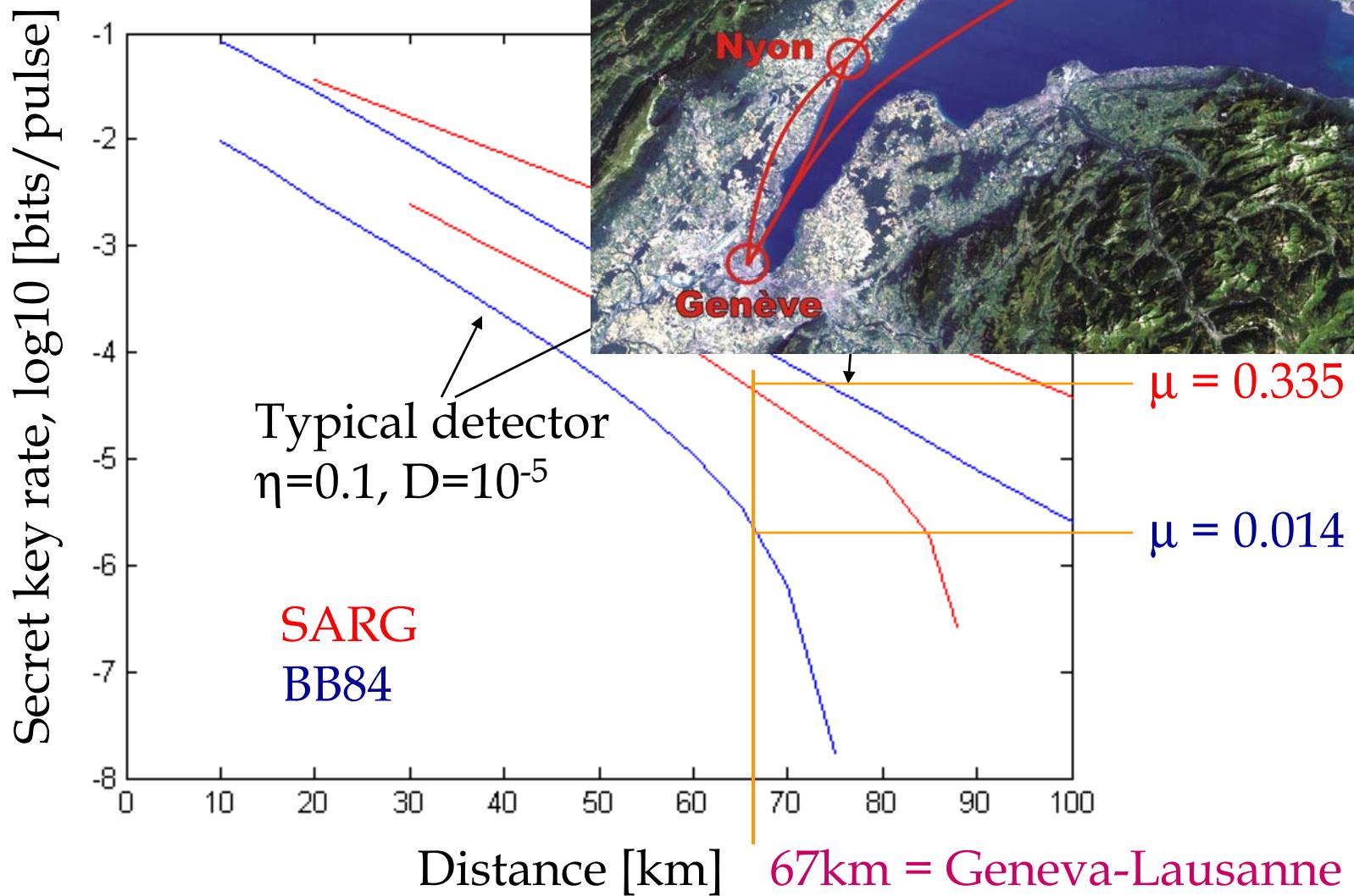
⇒ even if Eve holds a copy, she can't find out the bit with certainty

Joint patent UniGE + id Quantique pending  
Phys. Rev. A, 2003; quant-ph/0211131 & 0302037



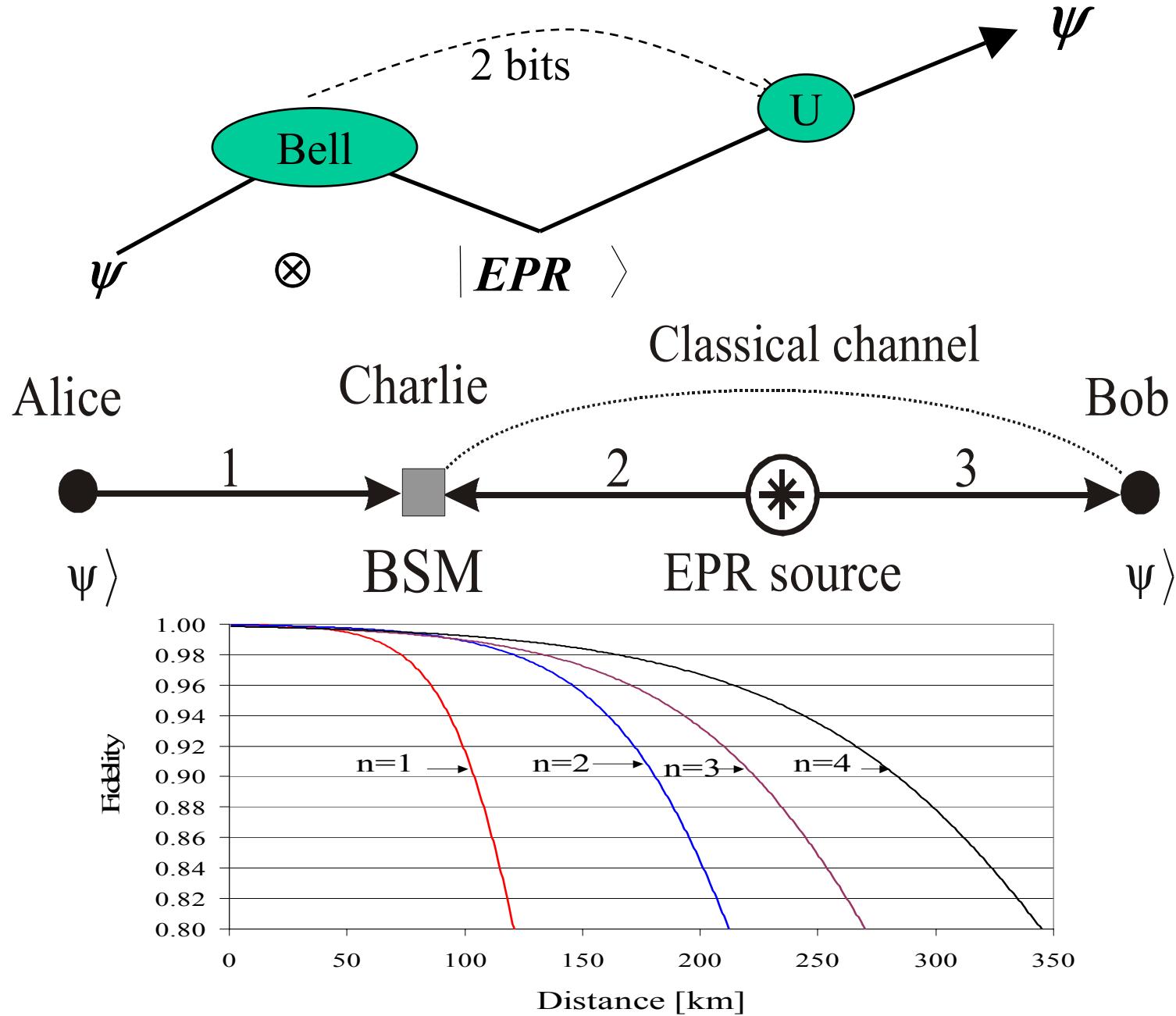
# SARG vs BB84

PNS, optimal  $\mu$ ,  $\eta = 0.1$





# 3-photon: Q teleportation & Q relays

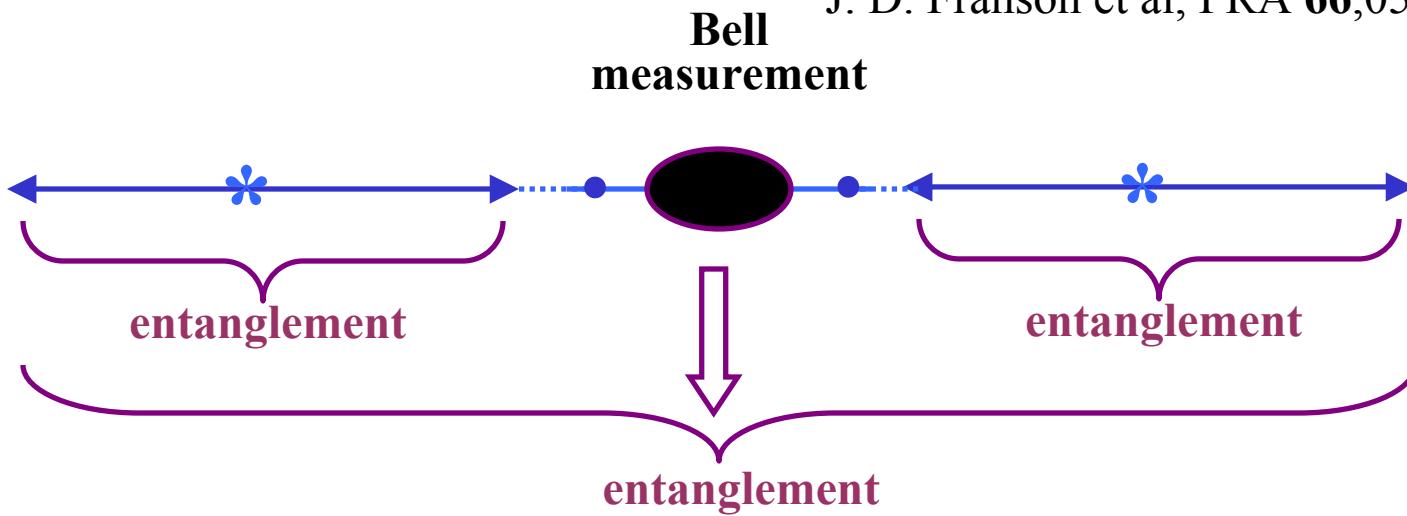




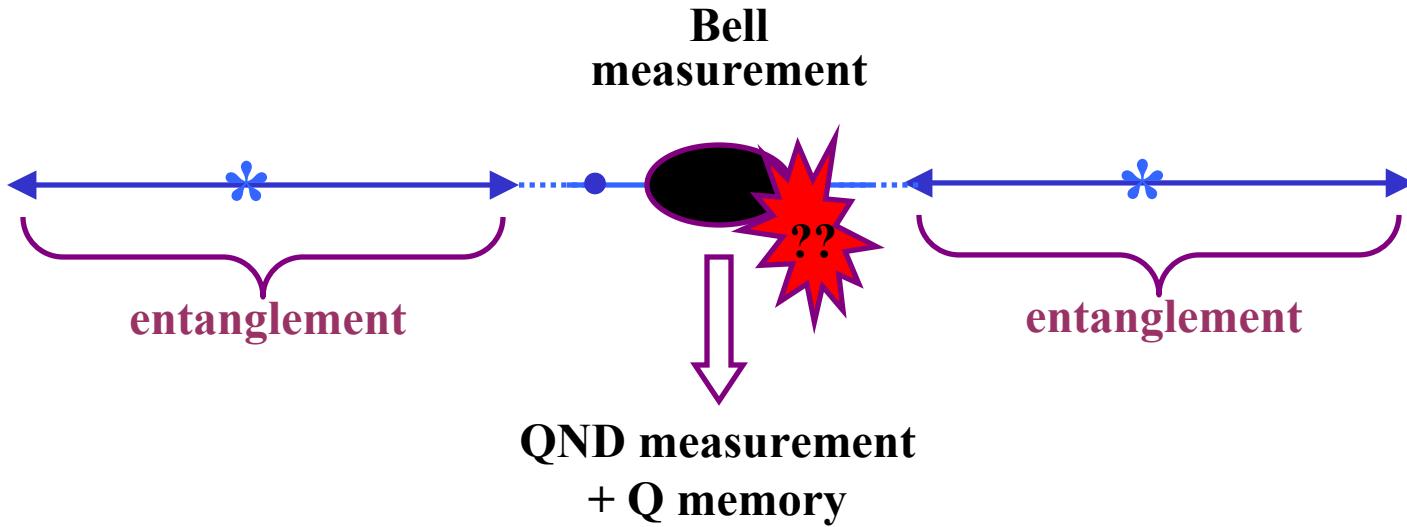
# Q repeaters & relays

J. D. Franson et al, PRA 66,052307,2002

RELAY



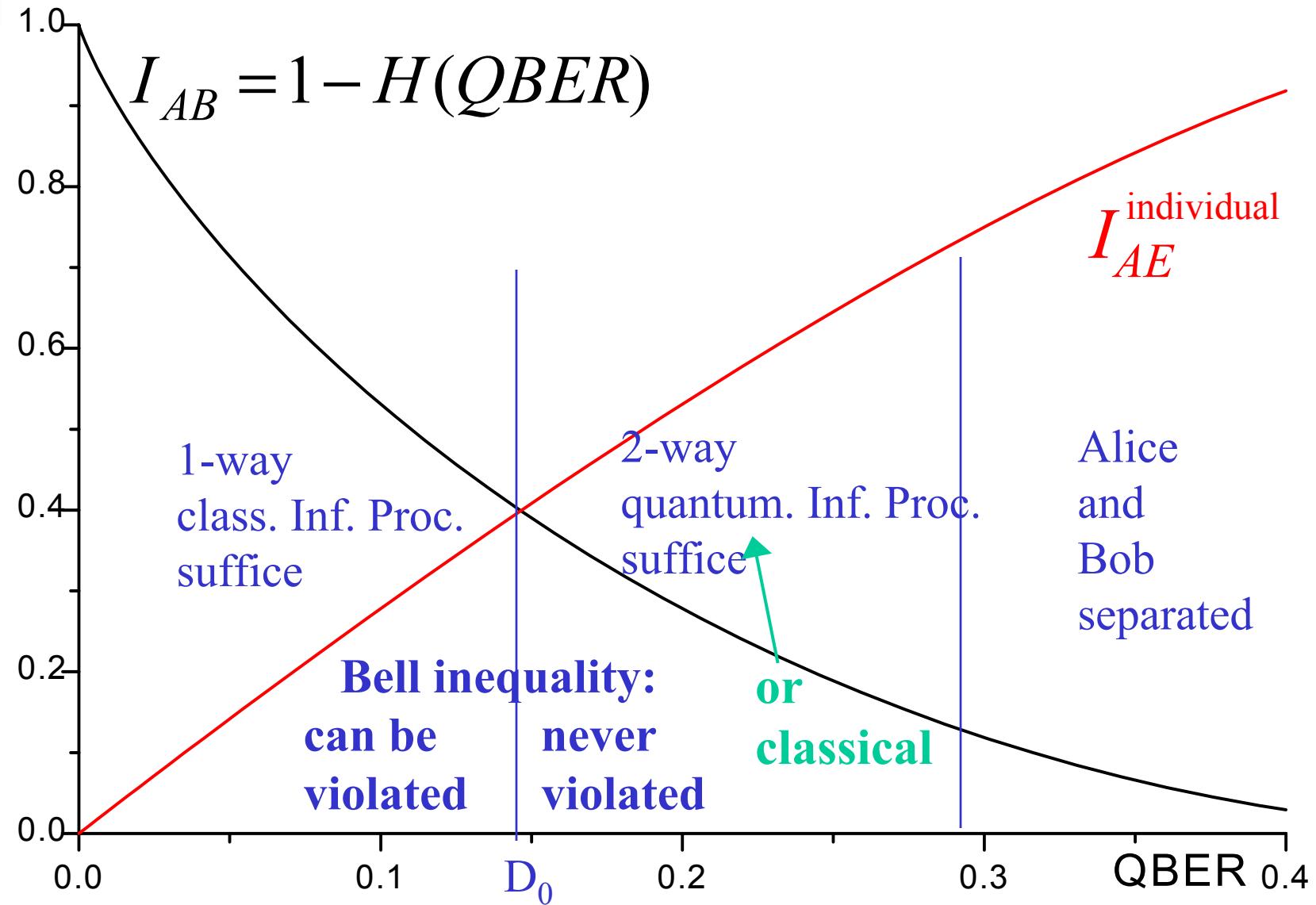
REPEATER





# Conclusions

- **Q teleportation**  
with:
  - *telecom wavelength*
  - *two different crystals (spatially separated sources)*
  - *from one wavelength (1300 nm) to another (1550 nm)*
  - *first time with time-bins (ie insensitive to polarization fluctuations)*
  - *over 3x2 km of fiber and 55 meters of physical distance*
  - *mean fidelity : ≈ 85% both in the lab and at a distance of 2 km*
  - *mean fidelity 77.5% in a 3x2km quantum relay configuration*
- **Q teleportation raises questions about the meaning of basic concepts like: object, information, space & time.**
- **Elementary Q processor can extend today's Q crypto systems**





# Bell's inequality:

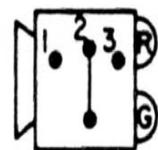
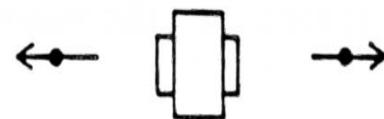
(D. Mermin, Am. J. Phys. 49, 940-943, 1981)

Bob Alice	Left same	Left different	Middle same	Middle different	Right same	Right different
Left	100 %	0 %	1/4	3/4	1/4	3/4
Middle	1/4	3/4	100 %	0 %	1/4	3/4
Right	1/4	3/4	1/4	3/4	100 %	0 %

LMR	if $\neq$ settings Prob(results =)
GGG	100 %
GGR	1/3
GRG	1/3
RGG	1/3
GRR	1/3
RGR	1/3
RRG	1/3
RRR	100 %
Arbitr. mixture	$\geq 1/3$



Alice



Bob

Bell Inequality

Quantum  
Mechanics $= 1 / 4$ 

Quantum non-locality