

Recognition of light orbital angular momentum superpositions for quantum communication



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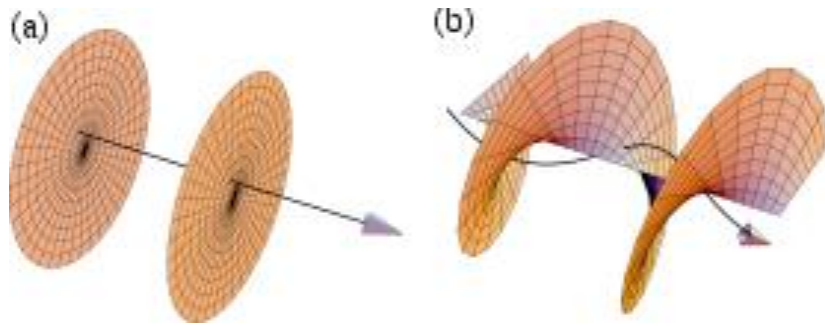
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Structured light and applications

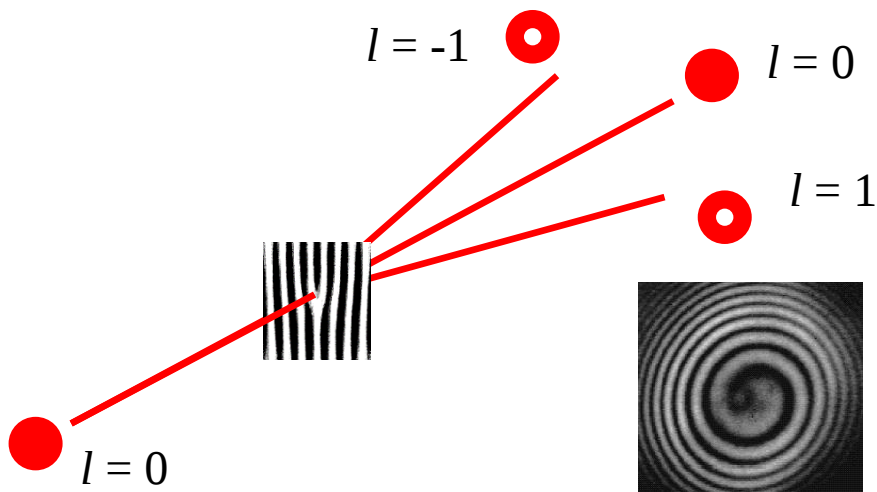
Light Orbital Angular Momentum

Twisted wavefront



$$kz=0$$

$$kz+l\phi=0$$



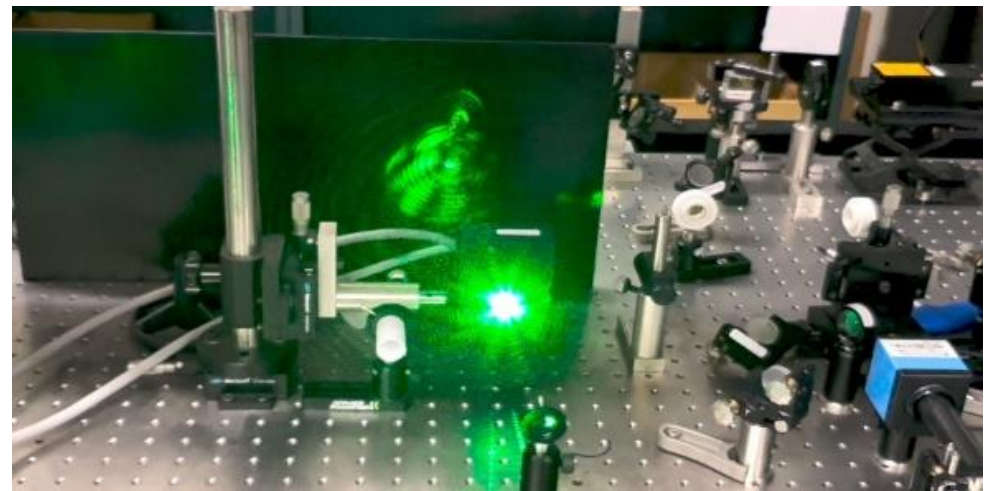
Angular momentum

$$\mathbf{J} = \mathbf{J}_s + \mathbf{J}_o$$

SPIN + ORBITAL

pol

wavefront



Spatial Light Modulator

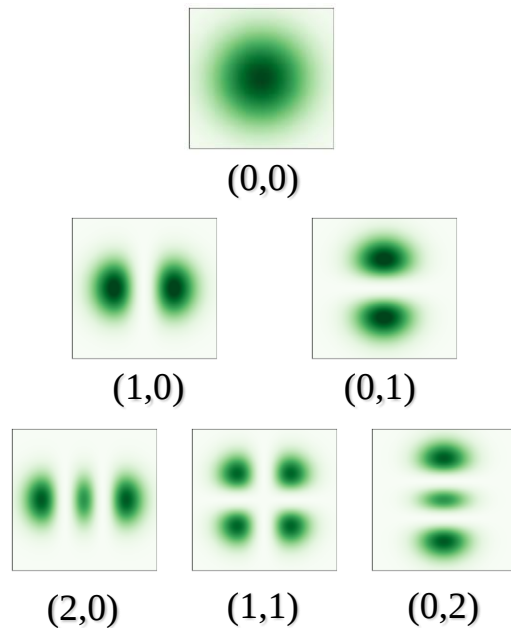
General Paraxial Modes

Paraxial Equation

$$\nabla_{\perp}^2 \psi + 2ik \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial z} = 0$$

Hermite-Gauss (HG)

Laguerre-Gauss (LG)

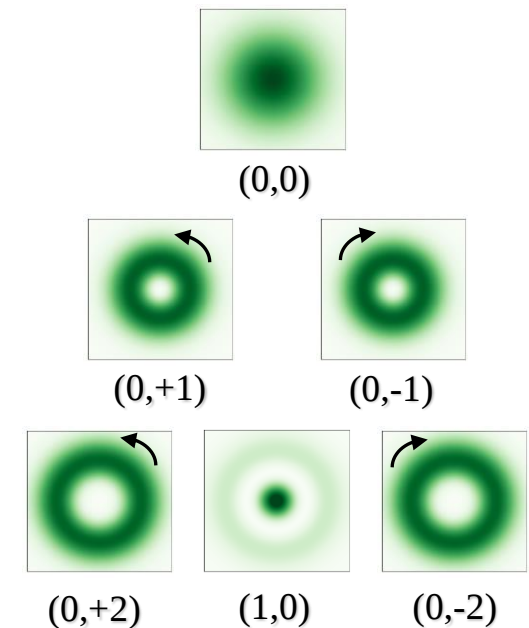
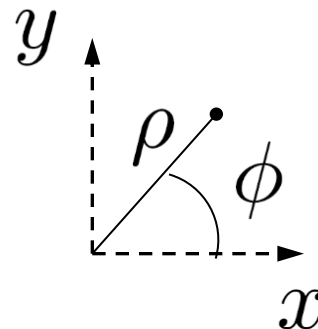


Rectangular

Cylindrical

$$HG_{nm}(x,y)$$

$$LG_{pl}(\rho, \phi)$$



Hermite-Gaussian Modes

$$HG_{mn}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{A_{mn}}{w(z)} H_m\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}x}{w(z)}\right) H_n\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}y}{w(z)}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{w^2(z)}\right) \exp\left(ik \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2R(z)}\right) e^{-i\varphi_N(z)}$$

Gouy phase

$$\varphi_N(z) = (N + 1) \arctan(z / z_R)$$

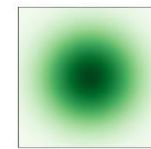
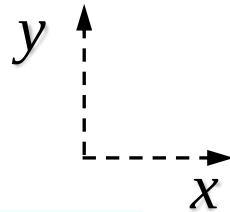
$$N = m + n$$

Orthonormal

$$\int HG_{mn}^*(\mathbf{r}) HG_{m'n'}(\mathbf{r}) d^2\mathbf{r} = \delta_{mm'} \delta_{nn'}$$

Complete

$$\sum_{m,n} HG_{mn}^*(\mathbf{r}) HG_{mn}(\mathbf{r}') = \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')$$

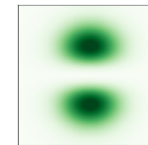


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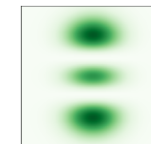
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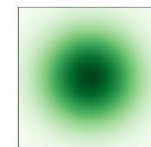
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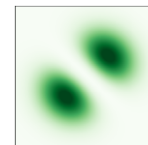
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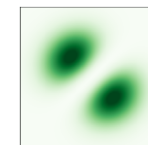


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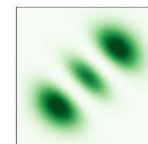


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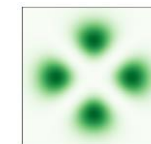


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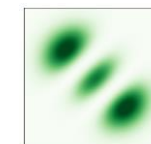
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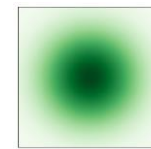
$$N = 2p + |l|$$

Orthonormal

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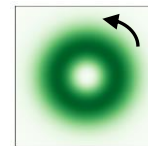
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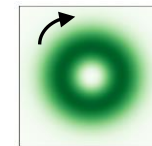


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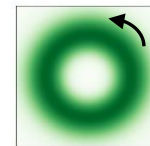


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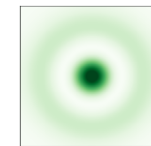


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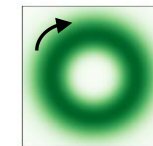
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Algebraic structure of paraxial wave functions

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LG-HG Unitary transformation

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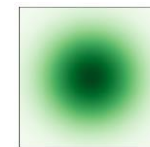
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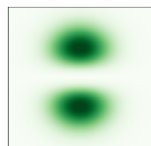


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$\psi_H(\mathbf{r})$
 $\psi_V(\mathbf{r})$

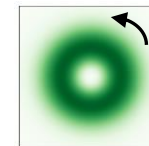


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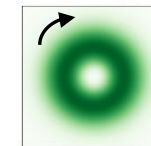


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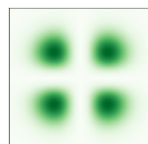


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$\psi_+(\mathbf{r})$
 $\psi_-(\mathbf{r})$



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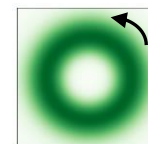


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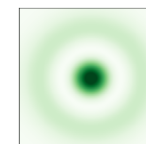


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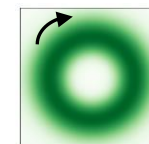
$\leftarrow SU(3) \rightarrow$



(0,+2)



(1,0)



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Astigmatic mode transformations

$$\psi_H(\mathbf{r}) \propto x e^{-(x^2+y^2)/w^2}$$



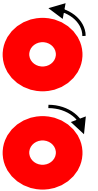
HG-LG

$$\psi_V(\mathbf{r}) \propto y e^{-(x^2+y^2)/w^2}$$



HG-HG

$$\psi_{\pm} = \frac{\psi_H \pm i\psi_V}{\sqrt{2}}$$

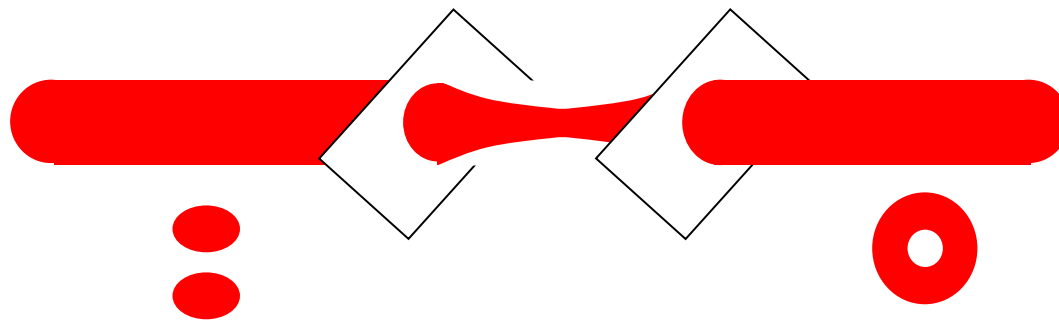


$$\psi_{\pm 45^\circ} = \frac{\psi_H \pm \psi_V}{\sqrt{2}}$$



Mode Converter

cylindrical lenses at 45°



MC eigenvectors

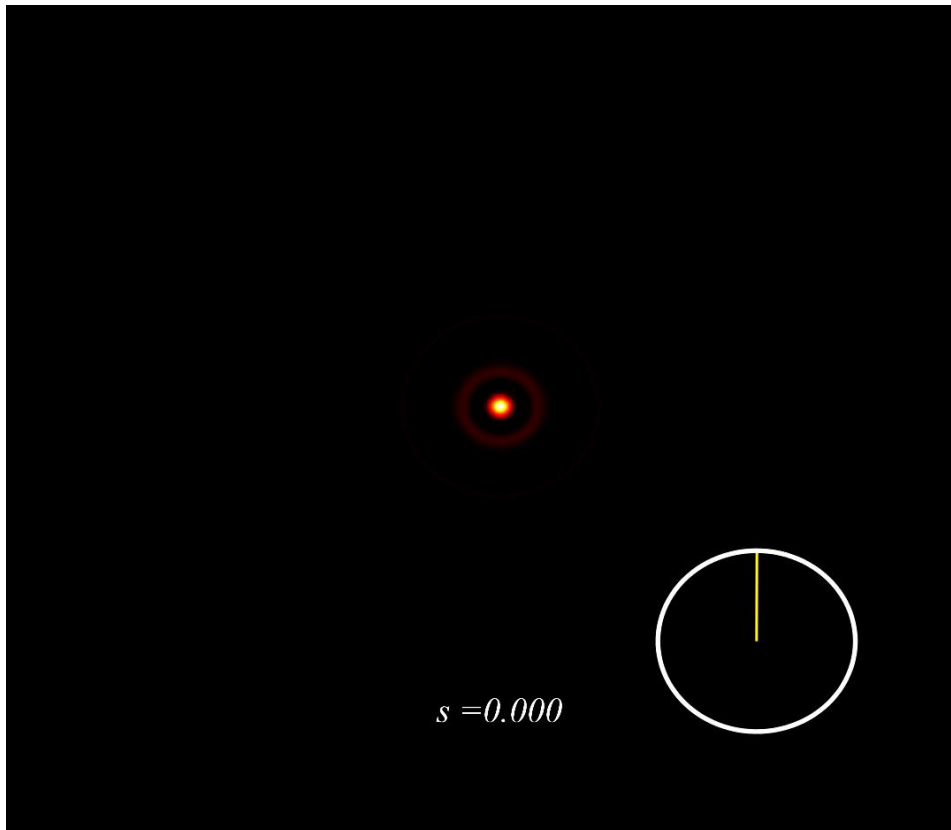
$$\psi_{\pm 45^\circ} = \frac{\psi_H \pm \psi_V}{\sqrt{2}}$$



$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\text{two dots} + \text{two dots}) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\text{two dots} + i \text{ two dots})$$

Self-Restoring Spot

$$\psi(z) = 0.3LG_{0,0}(\mathbf{r}) + LG_{6,0}(\mathbf{r}) + LG_{12,0}(\mathbf{r})$$



Gouy phase

$$\varphi_N(z) = (N + 1)s(z) \frac{\pi}{2}$$

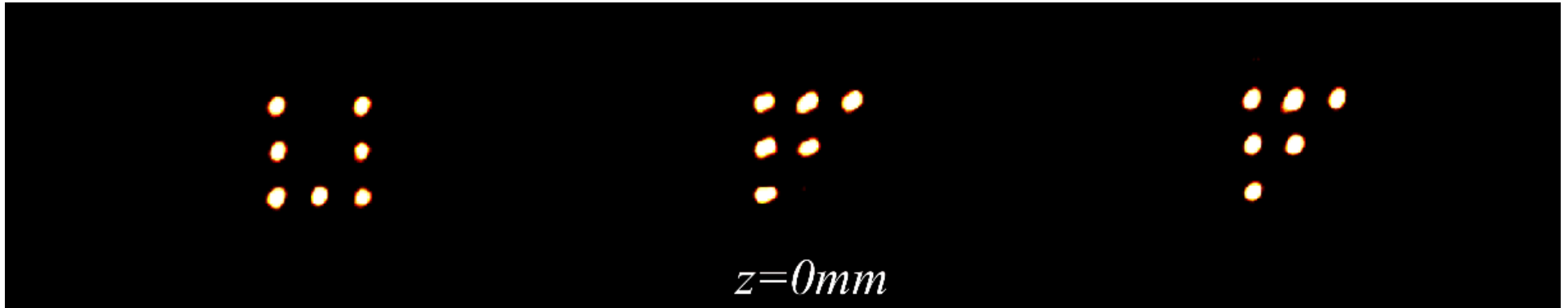
$$s(z) = \frac{2}{\pi} \arctan\left(\frac{z}{z_R}\right)$$

$$0 < z < \infty \Rightarrow 0 < s(z) < 1$$

Synchronisation

$$s(z) = \frac{4q}{N_2 - N_1} \quad (q \in \mathbf{N})$$

Self-Restoring Spot Array

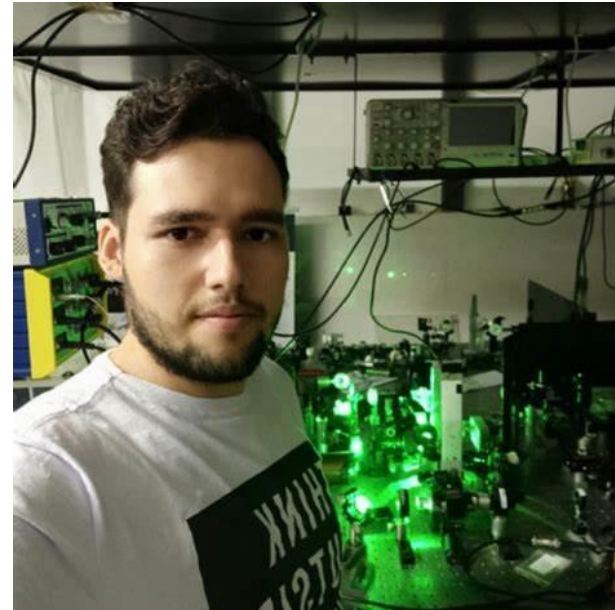


B. Pinheiro da Silva et al,
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Application

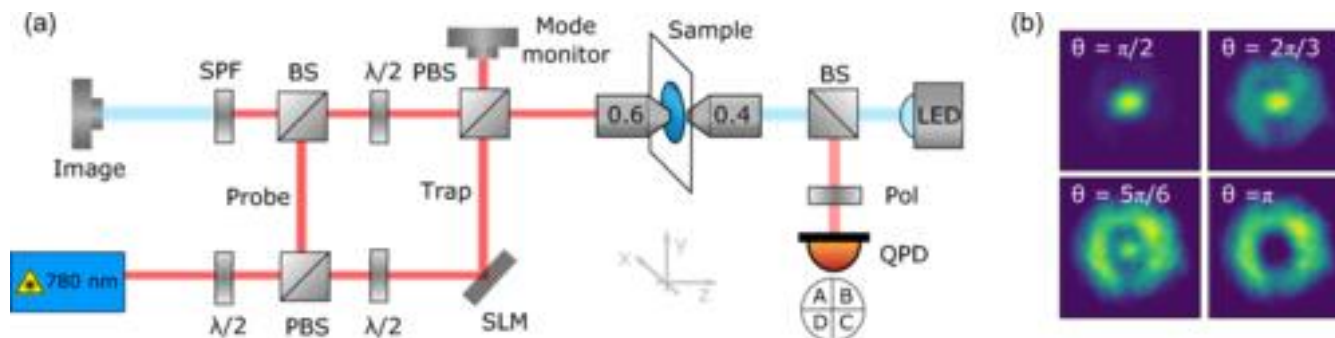
Dark Optical Tweezer (PUC-UFF)

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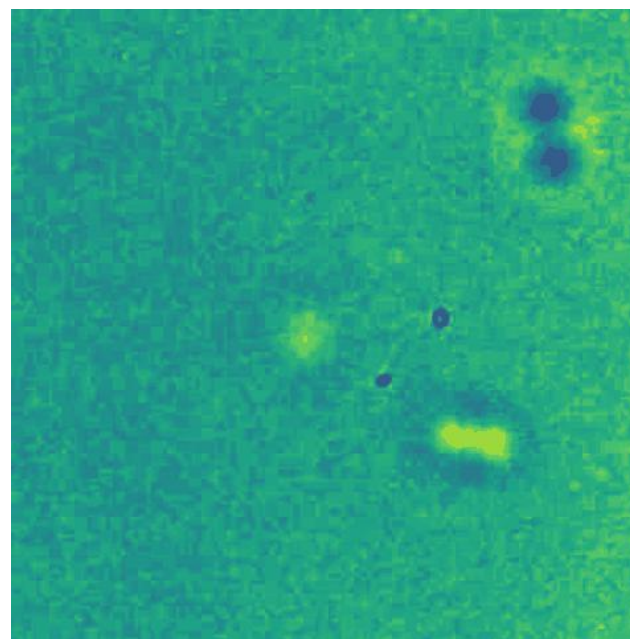
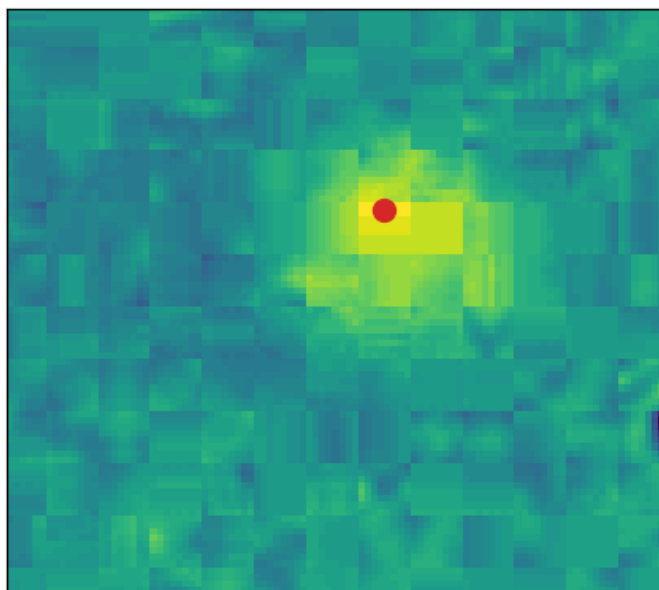


Trapping in a dark focus

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Spin-Orbit non separability

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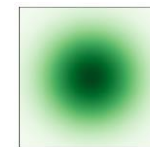
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 $\psi_V(\mathbf{r})$

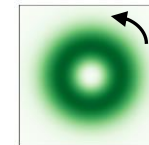


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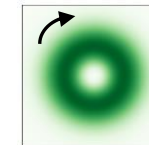


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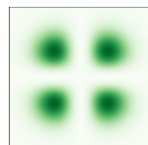


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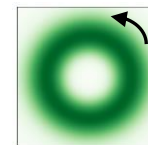


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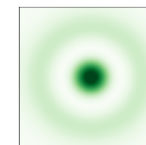


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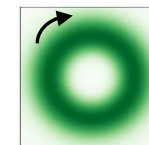
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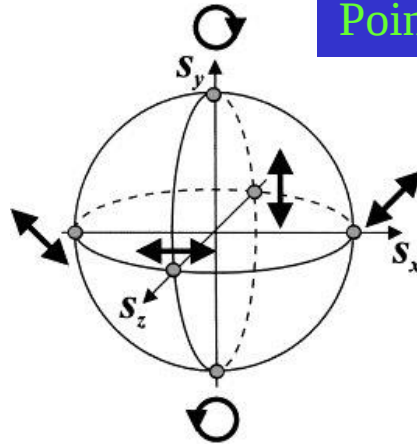
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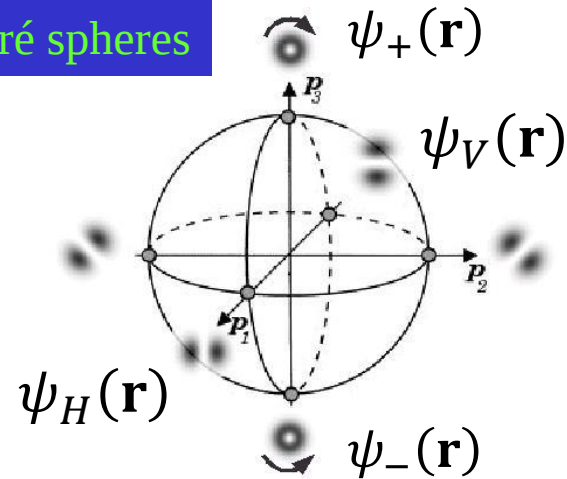
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Spin-orbit nonseparable modes

POLARIZATION



Poincaré spheres



SPATIAL

Tensor product in CO

$$\Psi_{sep} = \phi(\mathbf{r}) \otimes \hat{\xi} \quad (\text{spatial} \otimes \text{polarization})$$

$$\Psi_{ent} \neq \phi(\mathbf{r}) \otimes \hat{\xi} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Psi^{\pm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_H(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_H \pm \psi_V(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_V]$$

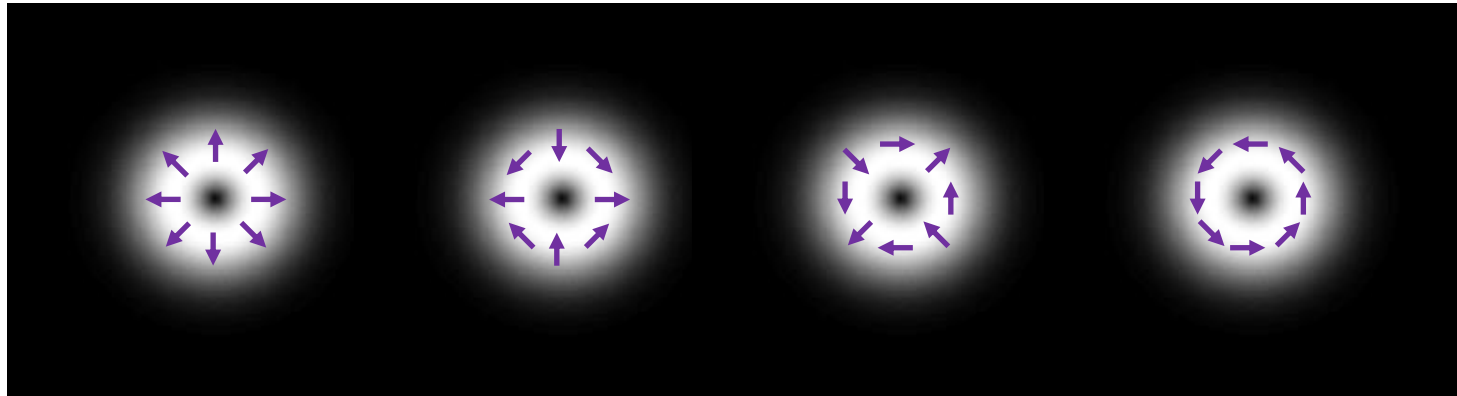
$$\Phi^{\pm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_H(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_V \pm \psi_V(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_H]$$

Bell modes

$$\Psi = \alpha \psi_H(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_H + \beta \psi_H(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_V + \gamma \psi_V(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_H + \delta \psi_V(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_V$$

$$C = 2|\alpha\delta - \beta\gamma|$$

Polarization vortices



Ψ^+

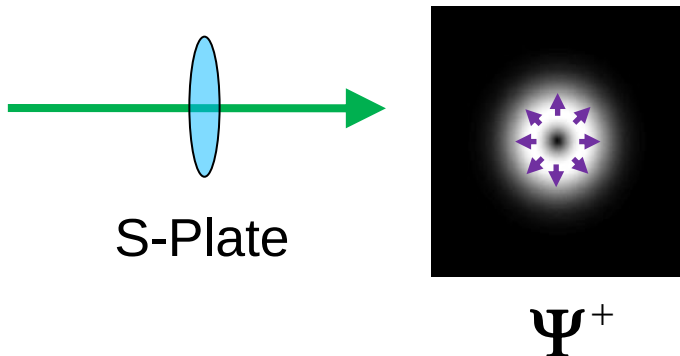
Ψ^-

Φ^+

Φ^-

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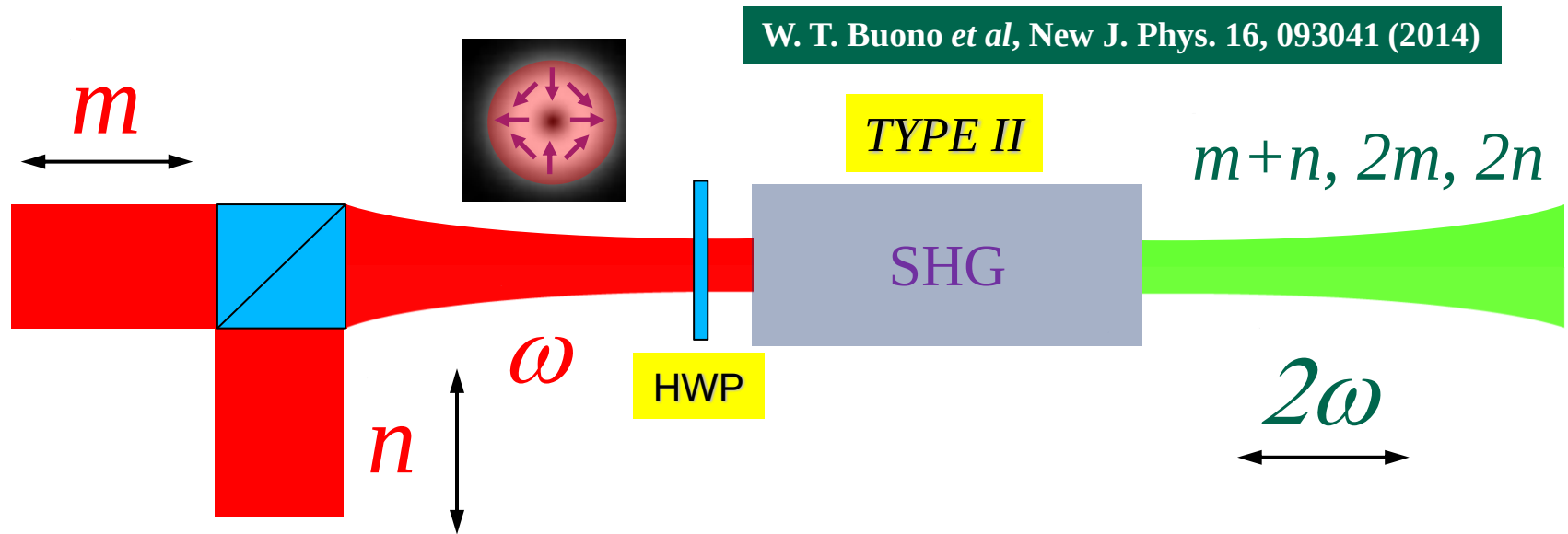
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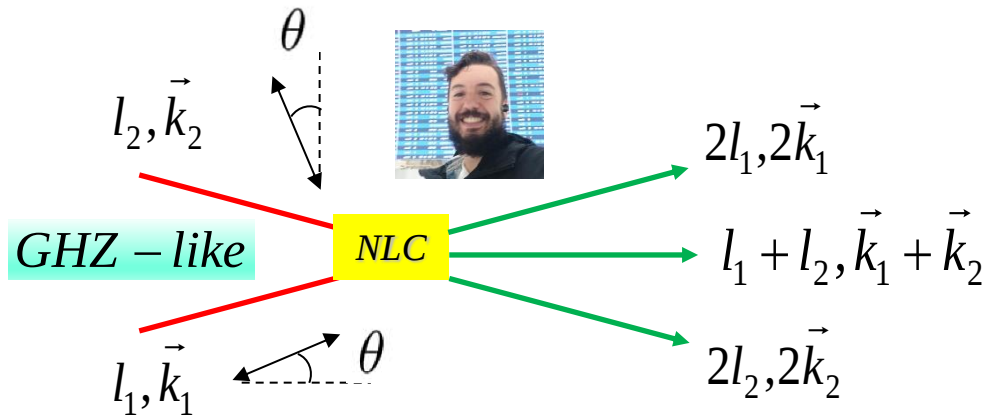
Spin-orbit coupling in liquid crystals

L. Marrucci, C. Manzo, and D. Paparo,
Phys. Rev. Lett. 96, 163905 (2006)

Structured nonlinear optics

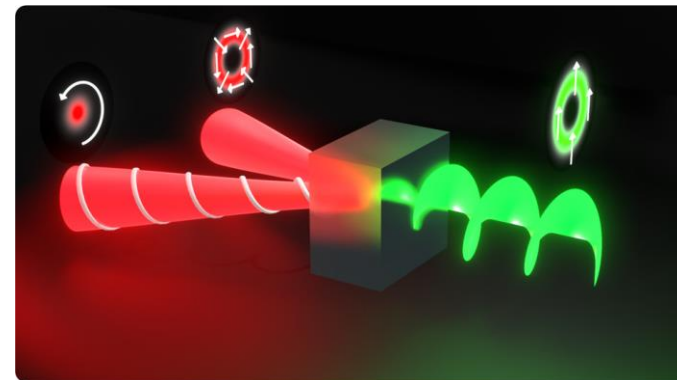


Polarization controlled OAM operations



W. T. Buono *et al*, Opt. Lett. 43, 1439 (2018)

Spin-to-OAM transfer



B. Pinheiro da Silva *et al*, Nanophot. 11, 771 (2022)

Structured Light Tomography

Statement of the problem

Given an arbitrary superposition of fixed order

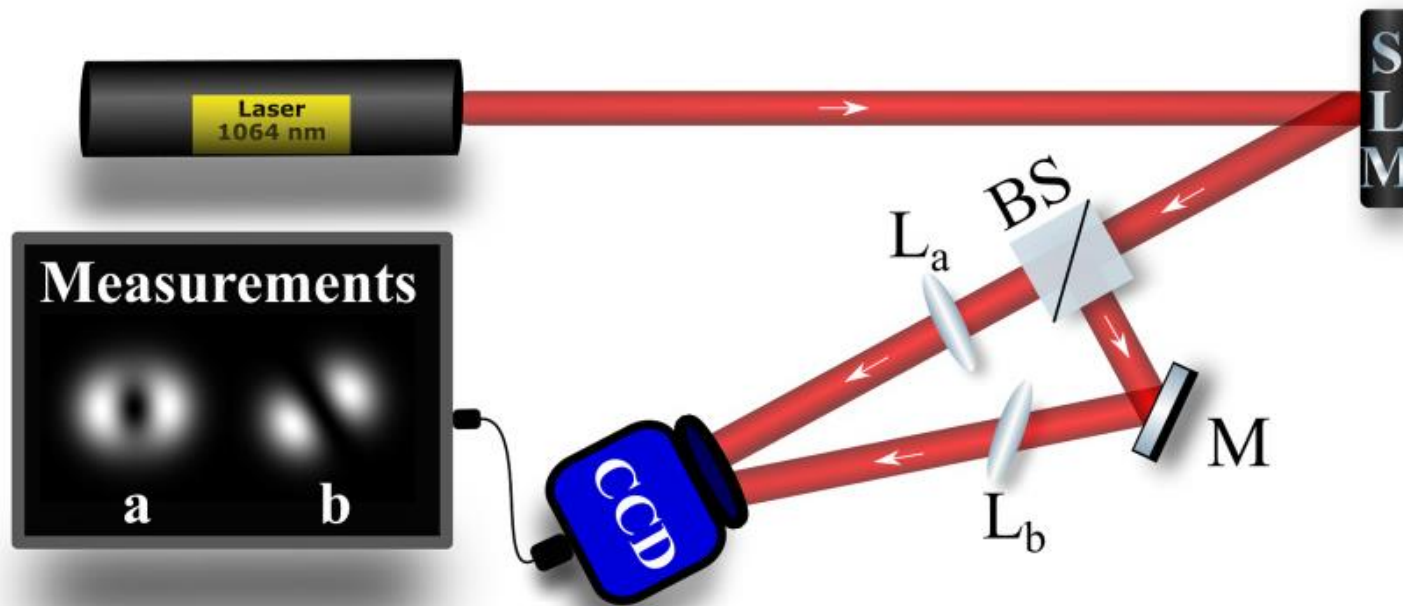
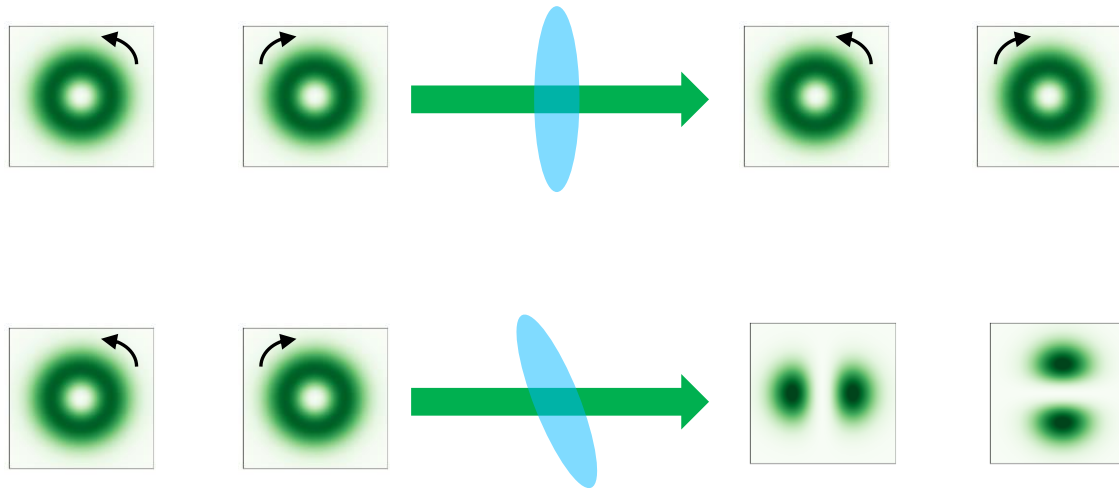
$$\psi(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{p,l} \alpha_{pl} LG_{pl}(\mathbf{r}) \quad (2p+|l|=N \text{ and } \alpha \in \mathbf{C})$$

We wish to determine α_{pl} **from intensity distribution only**

Problem:

$$\left| \sum_{p,l} \alpha_{pl} LG_{pl}(\mathbf{r}) \right|^2 = \left| \sum_{p,l} \alpha_{p,-l}^* LG_{pl}(\mathbf{r}) \right|^2$$

Symmetry lift by astigmatic transformation



Tomography of transverse mode superpositions

Let $\psi(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{p,l} \alpha_{pl} LG_{pl}(\mathbf{r})$, we wish to determine $\{\alpha_{pl}\}$ from intensity measurements only.

Problem: $\left| \sum_{p,l} \alpha_{pl} LG_{pl}(\mathbf{r}) \right|^2 = \left| \sum_{p,l} \alpha_{p,-l}^* LG_{pl}(\mathbf{r}) \right|^2$

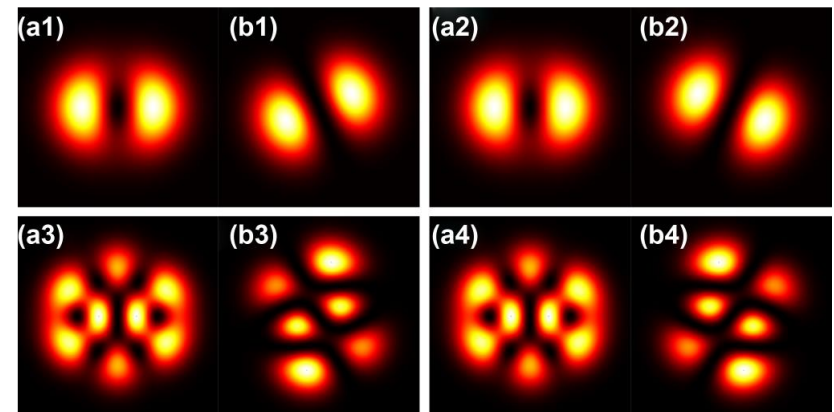
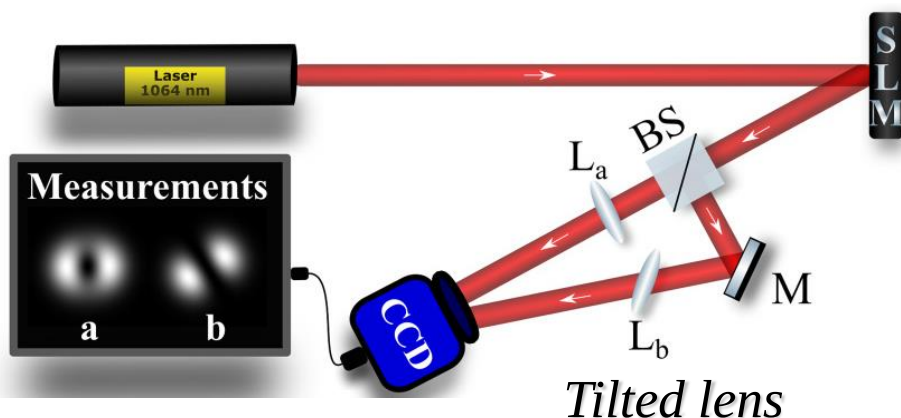
Solution: astigmatic image $\rightarrow$ tilted lens

$$\psi_1(\mathbf{r}) = 0.92 LG_{0,+1}(\mathbf{r}) + 0.38 LG_{0,-1}(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\psi_2(\mathbf{r}) = 0.38 LG_{0,+1}(\mathbf{r}) + 0.92 LG_{0,-1}(\mathbf{r})$$

$$\psi_3(\mathbf{r}) = 0.5 [LG_{0,+3}(\mathbf{r}) - LG_{0,-3}(\mathbf{r}) + LG_{1,+1}(\mathbf{r}) + LG_{1,-1}(\mathbf{r})]$$

$$\psi_4(\mathbf{r}) = 0.5 [-LG_{0,+3}(\mathbf{r}) + LG_{0,-3}(\mathbf{r}) + LG_{1,+1}(\mathbf{r}) + LG_{1,-1}(\mathbf{r})]$$



Partially coherent beams

More generally, given a coherence function

$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') = \sum_{i,j} \rho_{ij} u_i^*(\mathbf{r}) u_j(\mathbf{r}')$$

We wish to determine ρ_{ij}

Gell-Mann matrices

$$X_{jk} = \frac{|u_j\rangle\langle u_k| + |u_k\rangle\langle u_j|}{\sqrt{2}}$$
$$Y_{jk} = \frac{i(|u_j\rangle\langle u_k| - |u_k\rangle\langle u_j|)}{\sqrt{2}}$$
$$Z_j = \frac{\sum_{r=1}^j |u_r\rangle\langle u_r| - j|u_{j+1}\rangle\langle u_{j+1}|}{\sqrt{j(j+1)}}$$

High dimensional tomography

$$\rho = \frac{1}{d} + \sum_{jk} \alpha_{jk} X_{jk} + \sum_{jk} \beta_{jk} Y_{jk} + \sum_j \gamma_j Z_j$$

$$\alpha_{jk} \propto \text{Tr}(\rho X_{jk}), \beta_{jk} \propto \text{Tr}(\rho Y_{jk}), \gamma_j \propto \text{Tr}(\rho Z_j)$$

Far too difficult at high d

Intensity measurements

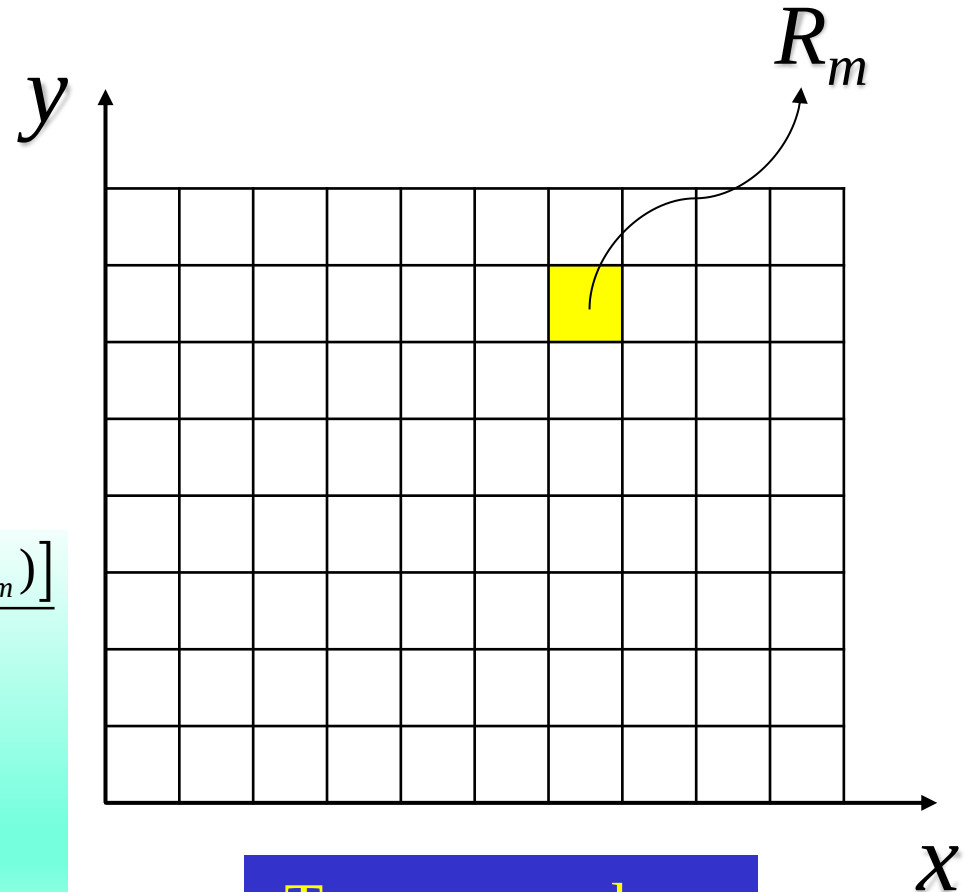
Position POVM

$$\{\Pi(R_1), \Pi(R_2) \cdots \Pi(R_m) \cdots\}$$

$$\Pi(R_m) = \int_{R_m} |\mathbf{r}\rangle\langle\mathbf{r}| d\mathbf{r} \Rightarrow \sum_{m=-\infty}^{+\infty} \Pi(R_m) = \mathbf{1}$$

$$p_m = \text{Tr}[\rho \Pi(R_m)] \Rightarrow q_m = p_m - \frac{\text{Tr}[\Pi(R_m)]}{d}$$

$$\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{T} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{jk} \\ \beta_{jk} \\ \gamma_j \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{jk} \\ \beta_{jk} \\ \gamma_j \end{bmatrix} = (\mathbf{T}^\dagger \mathbf{T})^{-1} \mathbf{T}^\dagger \mathbf{q}$$



Transverse plane

If $\mathbf{T}$ is injective, then the POVM is informationally complete

Tomography from intensity measurements

High dimensional tomography

$$\rho = \frac{1}{d} + \sum_{jk} \alpha_{jk} X_{jk} + \beta_{jk} Y_{jk} + \sum_j \gamma_j Z_j$$

$$I(R_n) = \text{Tr}[\rho \Pi(R_n)]$$

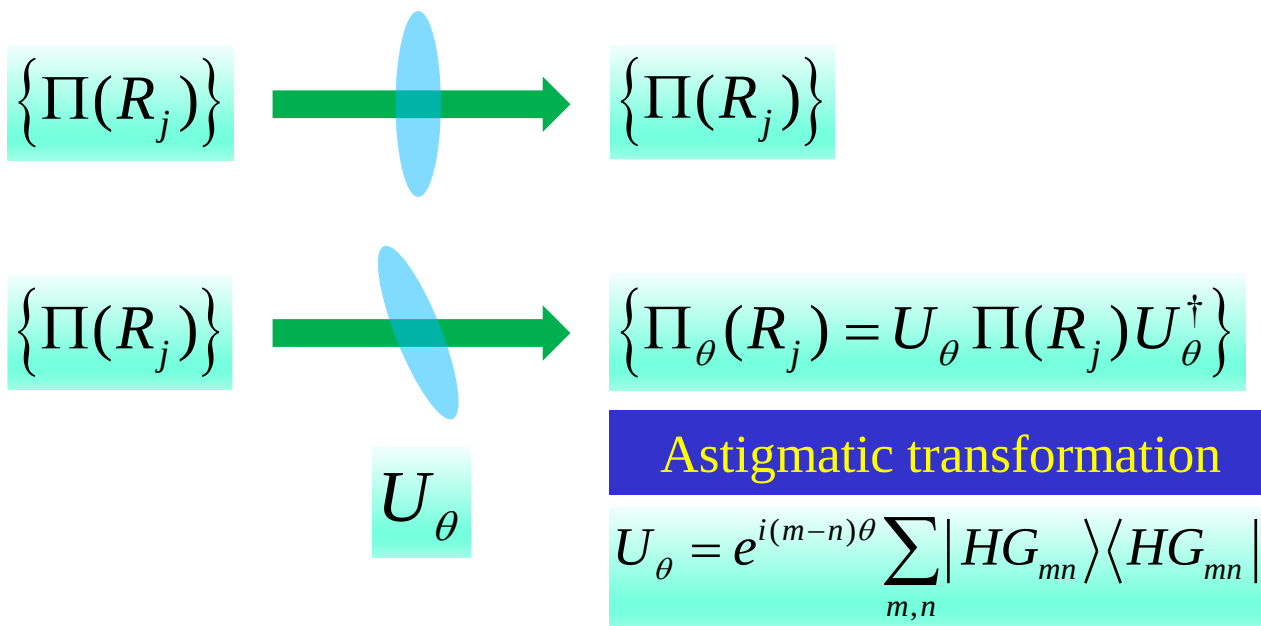
$$I(R_n) = \frac{\text{Tr}[\Pi(R_n)]}{d} + \sum_{jk} \text{Tr}[\Pi(R_n) X_{jk}] \alpha_{jk} + \sum_{jk} \text{Tr}[\Pi(R_n) Y_{jk}] \beta_{jk} + \sum_j \text{Tr}[\Pi(R_n) Z_j] \gamma_j$$

One equation for each pixel information! However...

$\{\Pi(R_j)\}$ is **not** informationally complete!

$$\text{Tr}[Y_{jk} \Pi(R)] = \sqrt{2} \text{Im} \int_R u_j^*(\mathbf{r}) u_k(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r} = 0 \quad \text{for } u_j, u_k \in \{HG\}$$

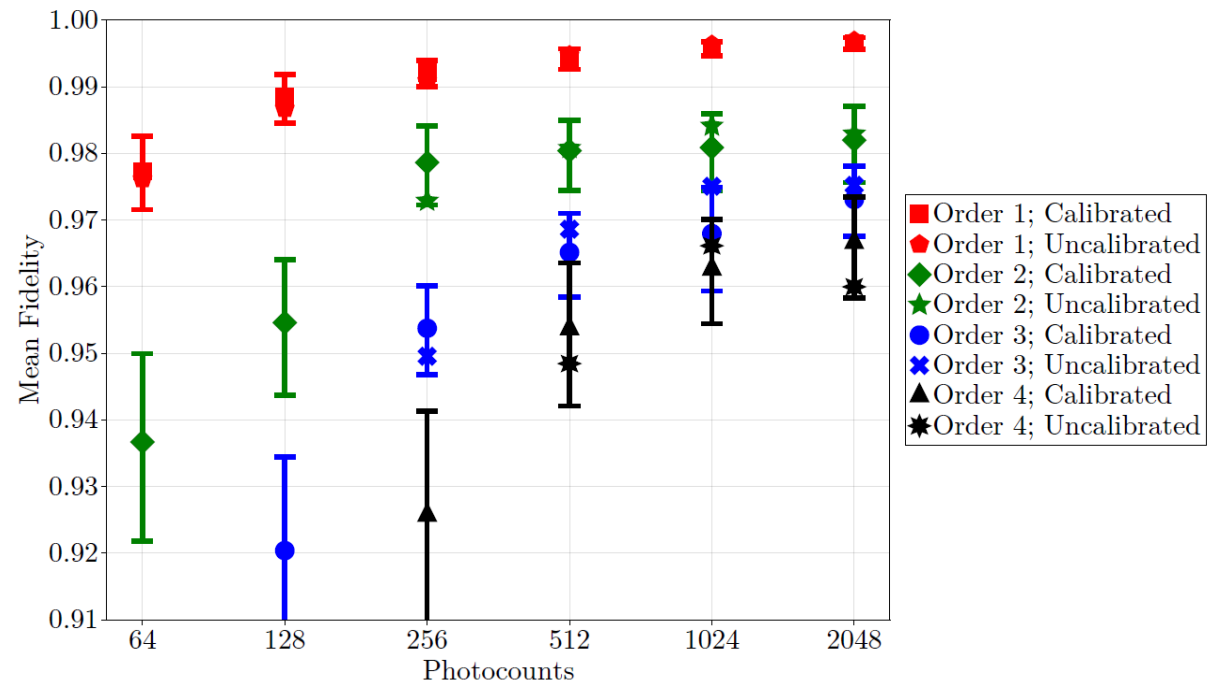
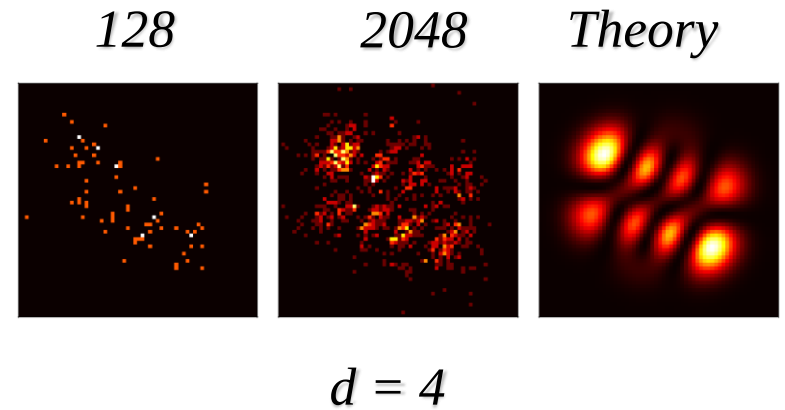
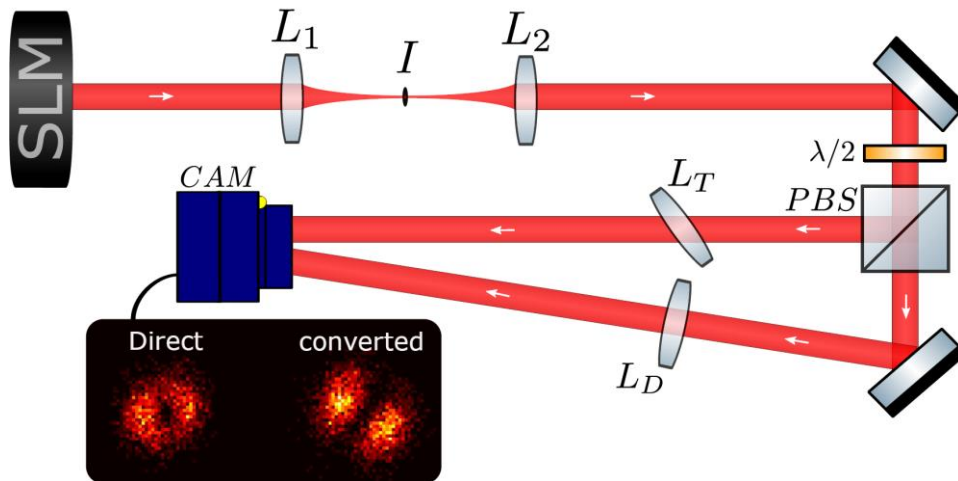
Informationally complete POVM



$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Tr}[X_{jk} \Pi_\theta(R)] &= \sqrt{2} \cos[(j-k)\theta] \text{Tr}[X_{jk} \Pi(R)] \\
 \text{Tr}[Y_{jk} \Pi_\theta(R)] &= \sqrt{2} \sin[(j-k)\theta] \text{Tr}[X_{jk} \Pi(R)] \\
 \text{Tr}[Z_j \Pi_\theta(R)] &= \text{Tr}[Z_j \Pi(R)]
 \end{aligned}$$

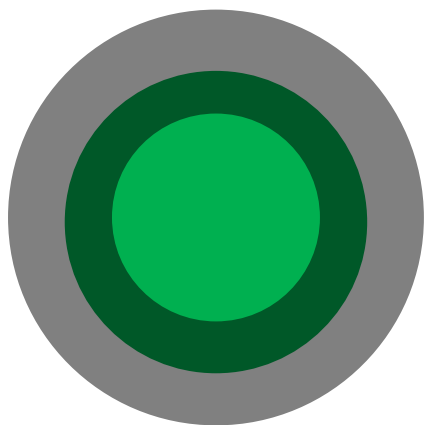
$\{\Pi(R_j), \Pi_\theta(R_j)\}$ is informationally complete for a suitable θ

Experimental results in the photocount regime



Tomography with partial information

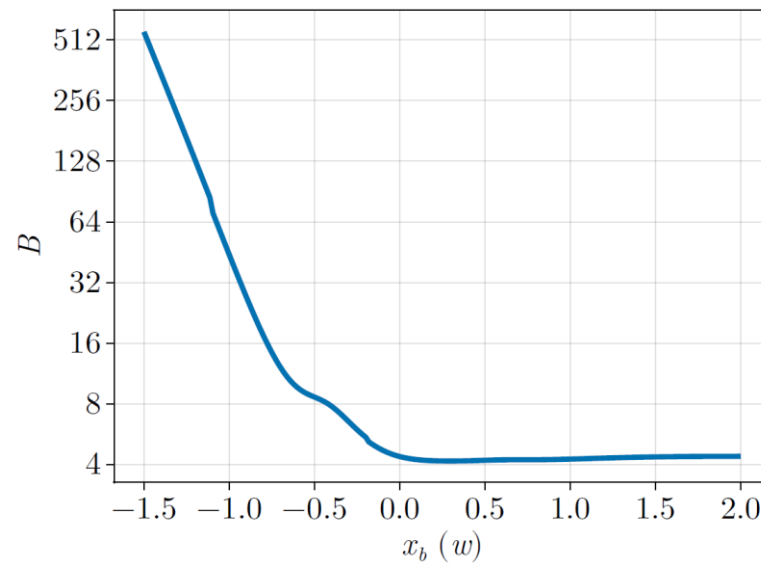
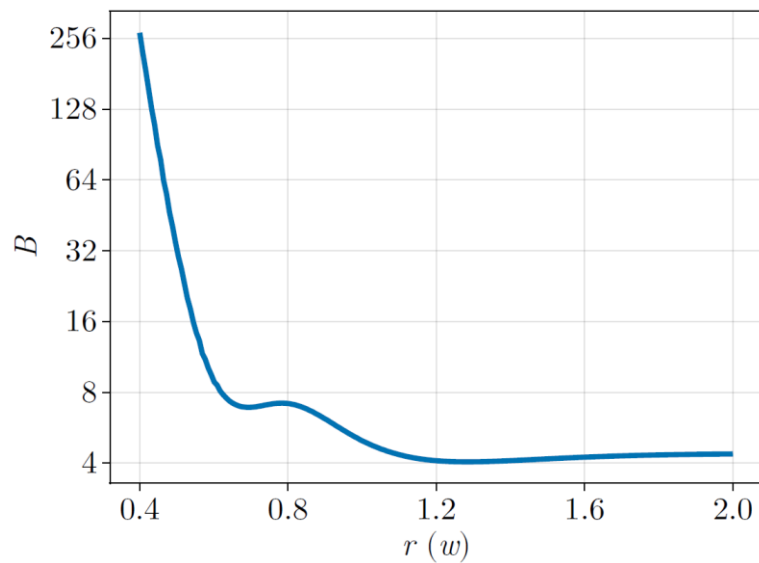
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BLADE

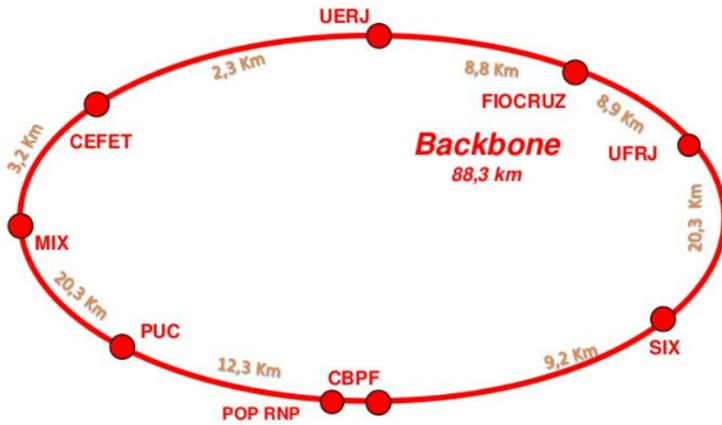


$$\|\rho_{\text{exp}} - \rho_{\text{theo}}\|^2 \geq B \equiv \text{Tr}(I^{-1})$$



The Rio Quantum Network

Architecture



Objectives

- Establishment of a QKD network connecting 5 institutions
- Development of new devices for quantum communication
- Promote scientific exchange
- Testbed for new technologies in q-comm.
- Integration with other national and international networks

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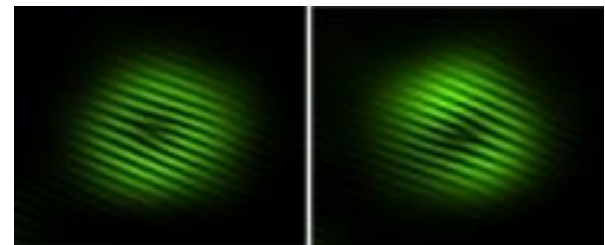
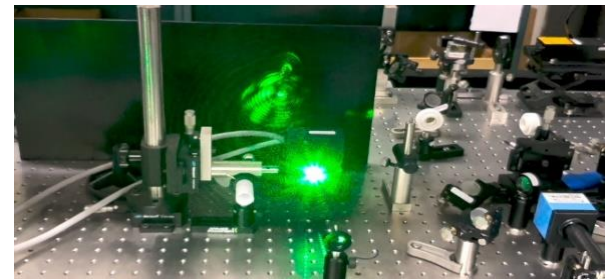
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Conclusions

- Quantum tomography in high dimension is a difficult task
- Intensity measurement is an easy task and provide a lot of information
- Reconstruction of structured light state in high dimension with position POVM
- Problem: informational completeness
- Solution: astigmatic transformation



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THANK YOU!!!