

## Hybrid Photonics Platform for Quantum Information Processing

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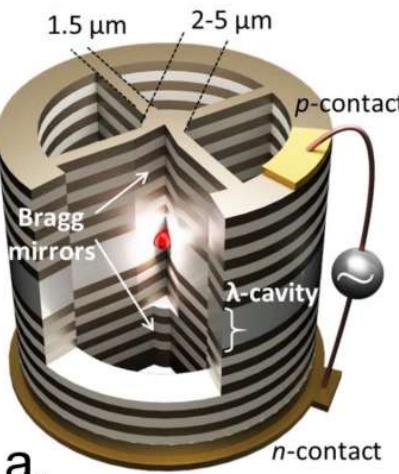
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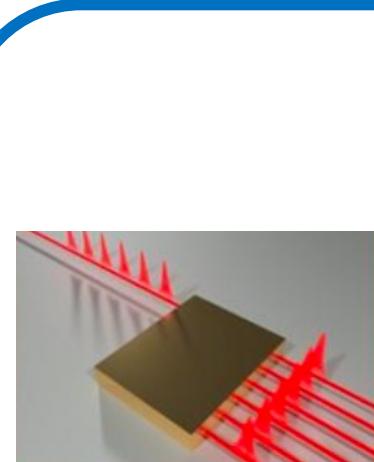
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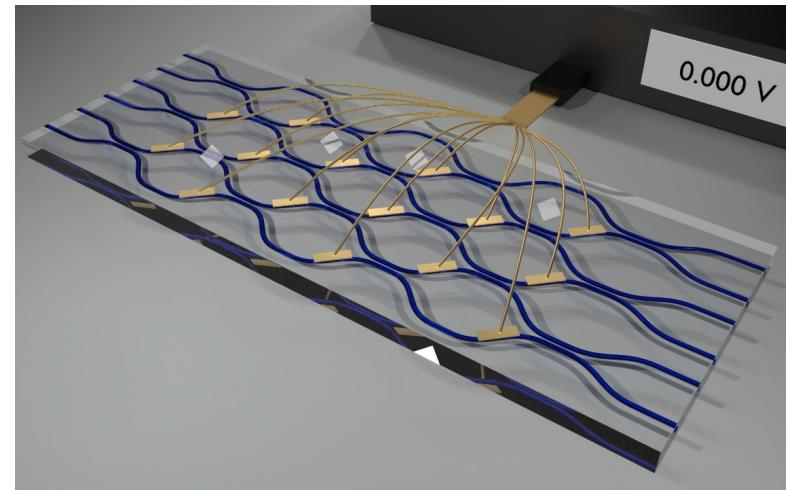
# Integrated photonic quantum platform: the overall scheme



Source of single  
photon states



Manipulation  
via integrated photonics



Single photon  
detection



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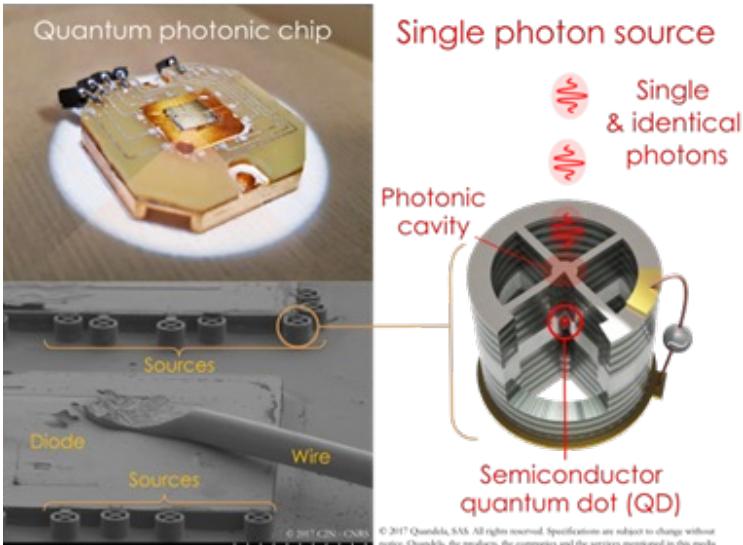


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# Source: single photon generations via Quantum Dot

Different excitation schemes:



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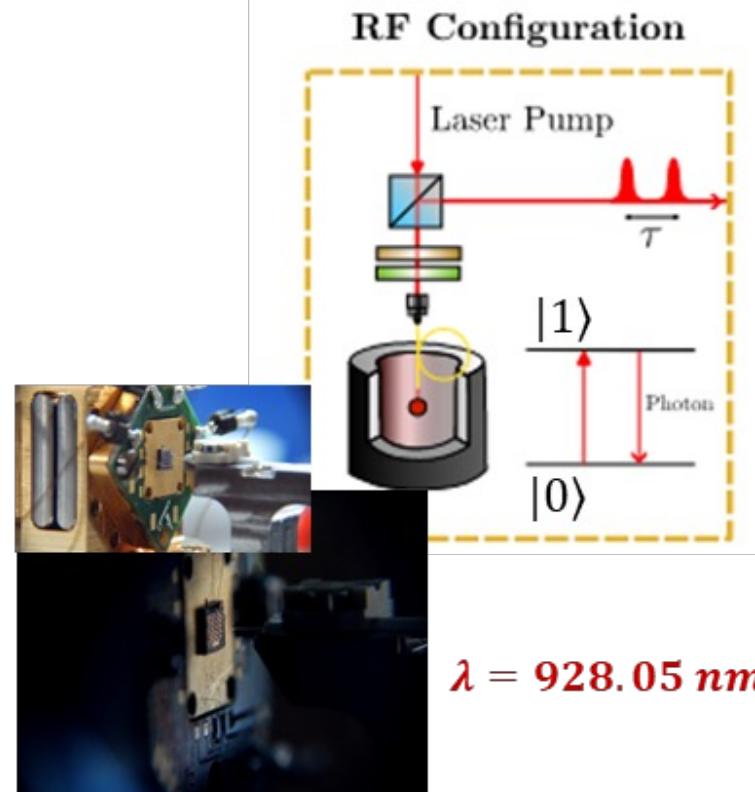
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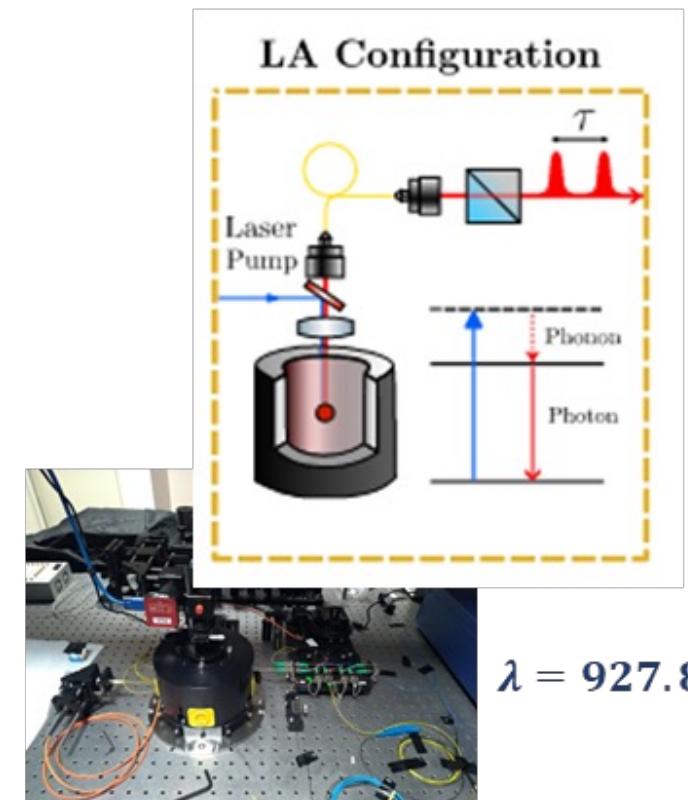
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1) Resonant excitation

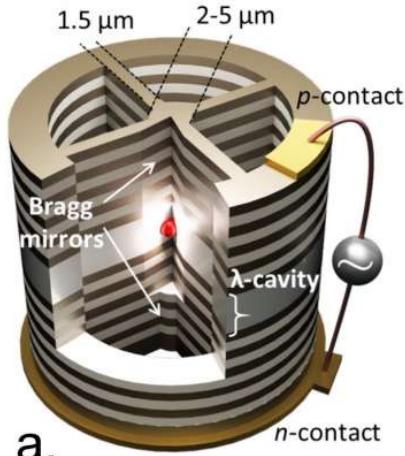
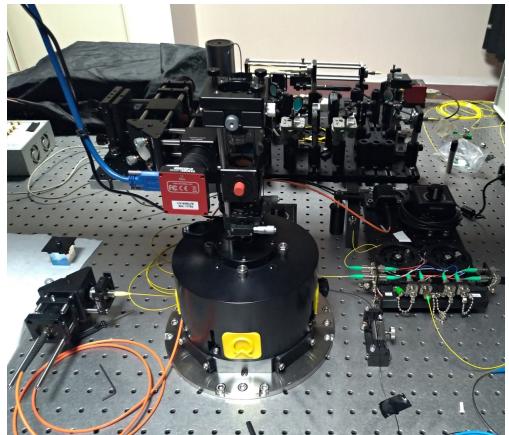


2) Phonon-assisted excitation

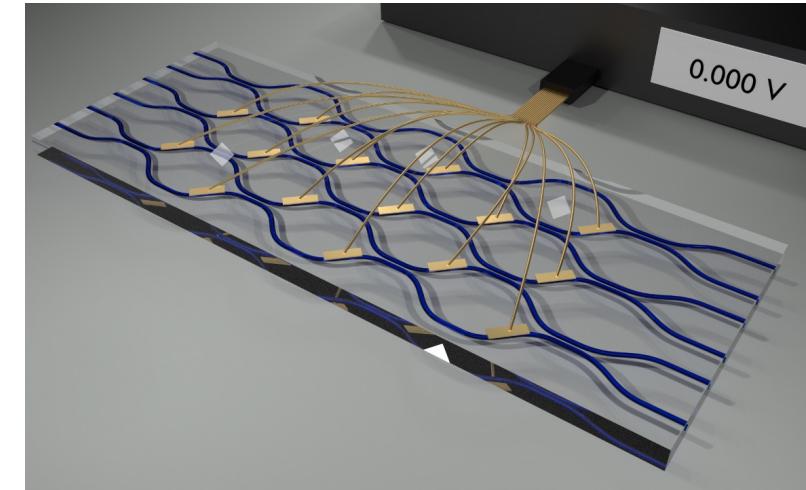


# Interfacing deterministic sources and integrated circuits

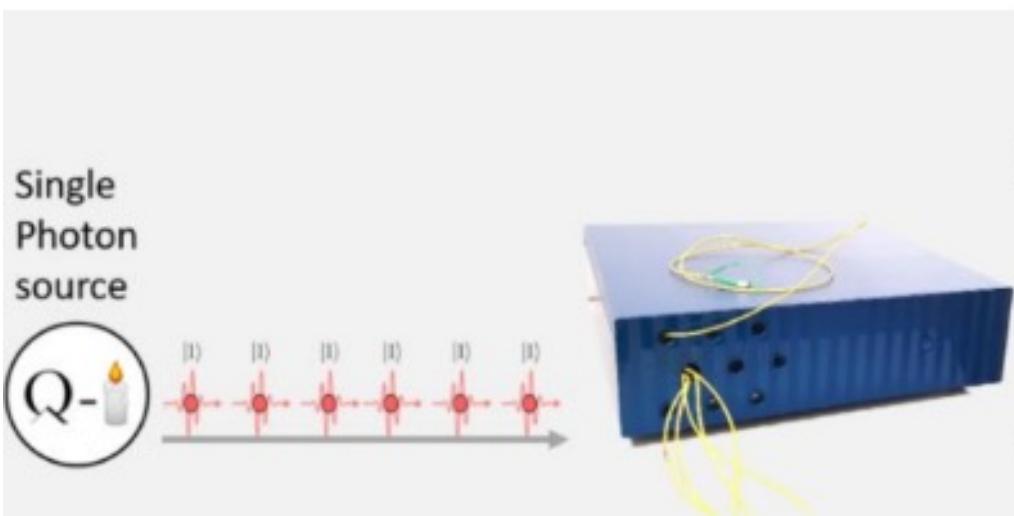
## Single photon sources



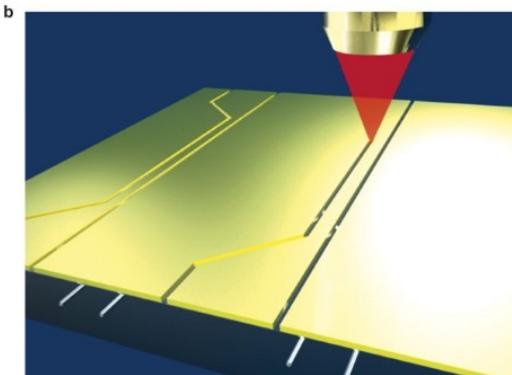
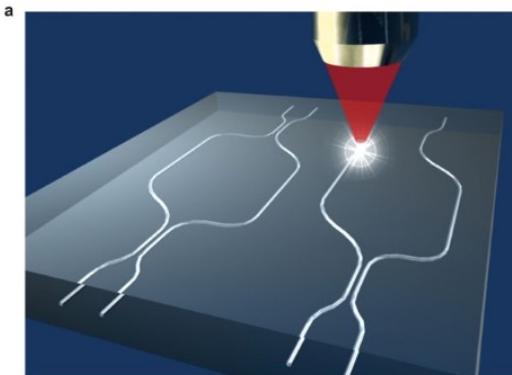
## Integrated circuits



## Time demultiplexing

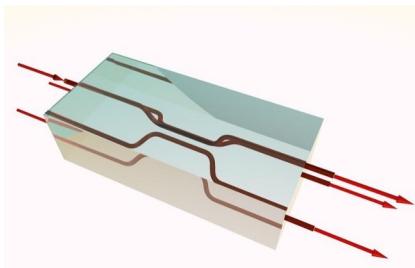


# Integrated circuits: femtosecond-laser writing technique

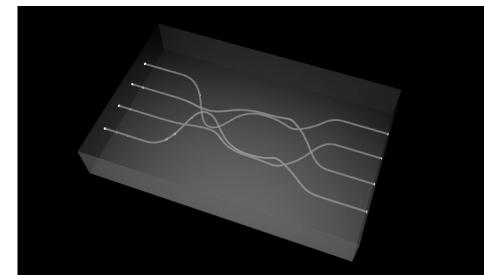
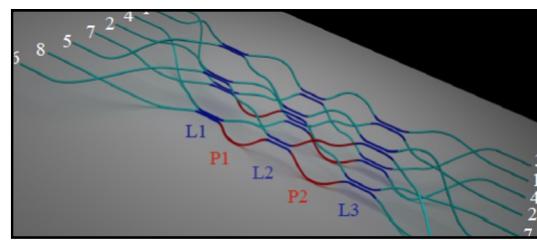


- Femtosecond pulse tightly focused in a glass
- Permanent and localized refractive index increase in transparent materials
- Waveguides are fabricated in the bulk of the substrate by translation of the sample at constant velocity with respect to the laser beam.

3D geometry

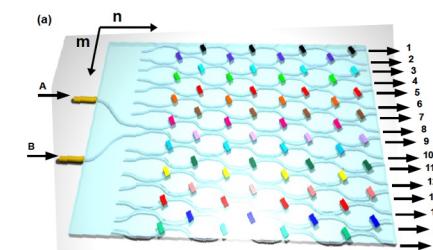
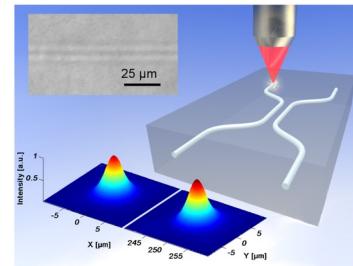


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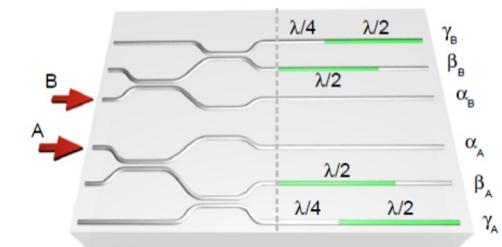
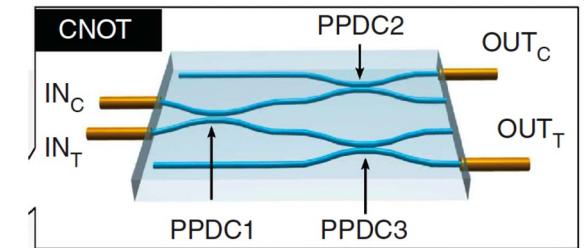
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Path-encoded circuits



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Polarization-encoded circuits

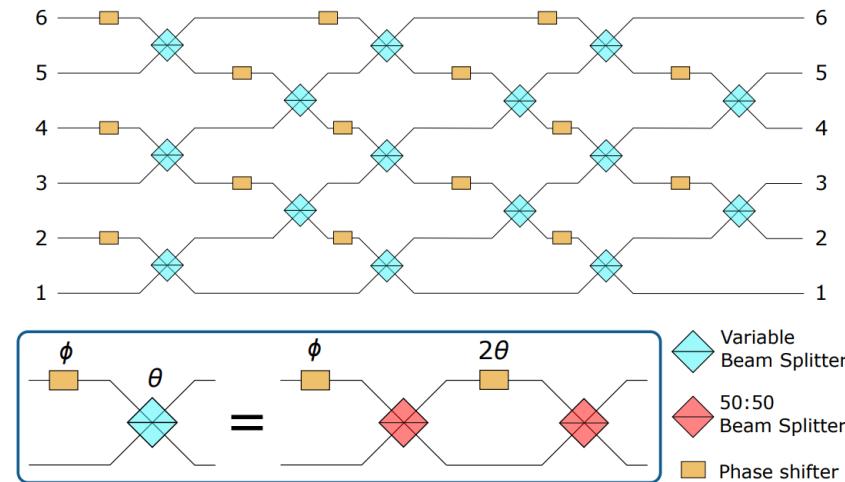
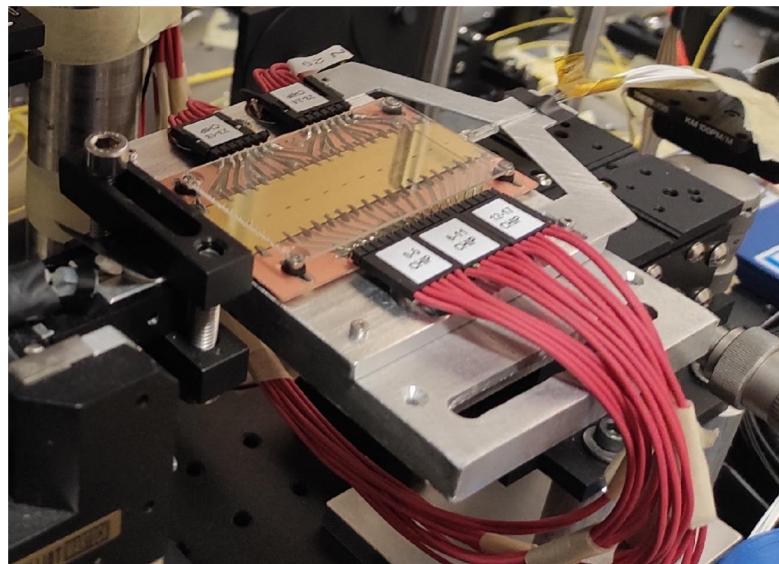
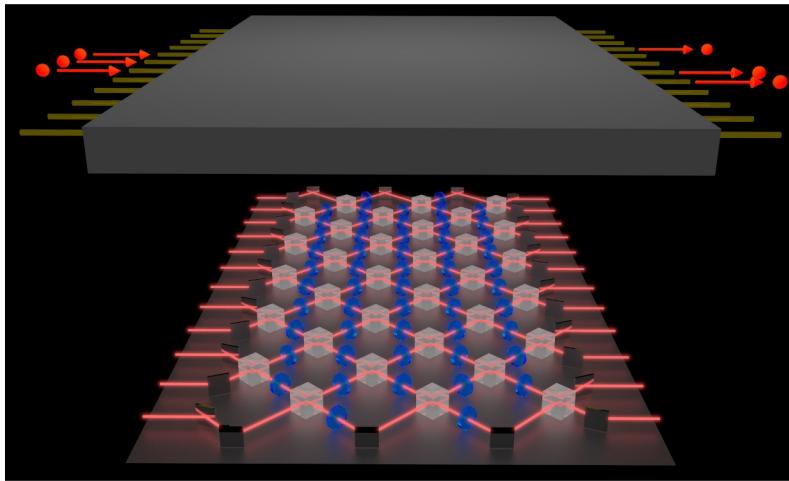


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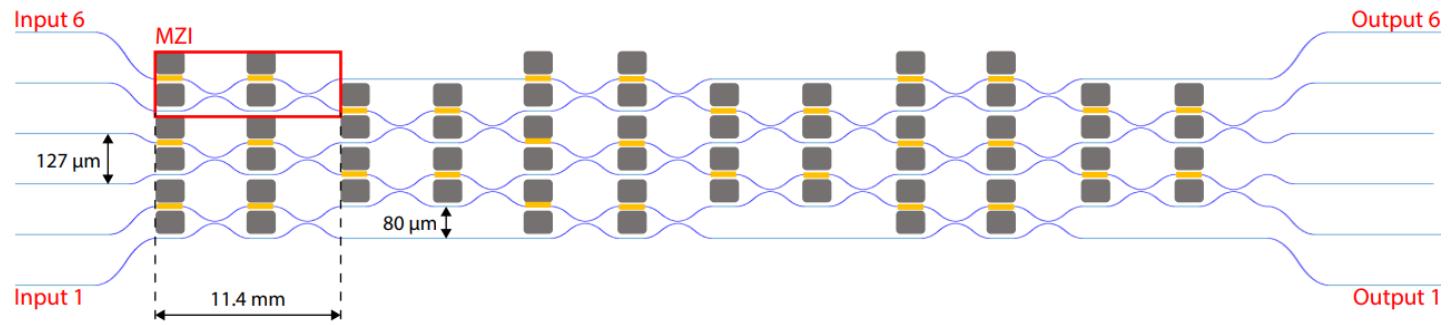
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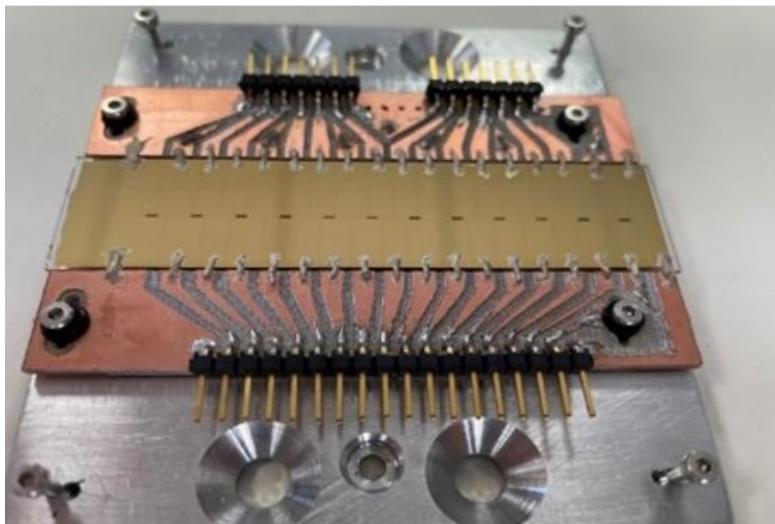
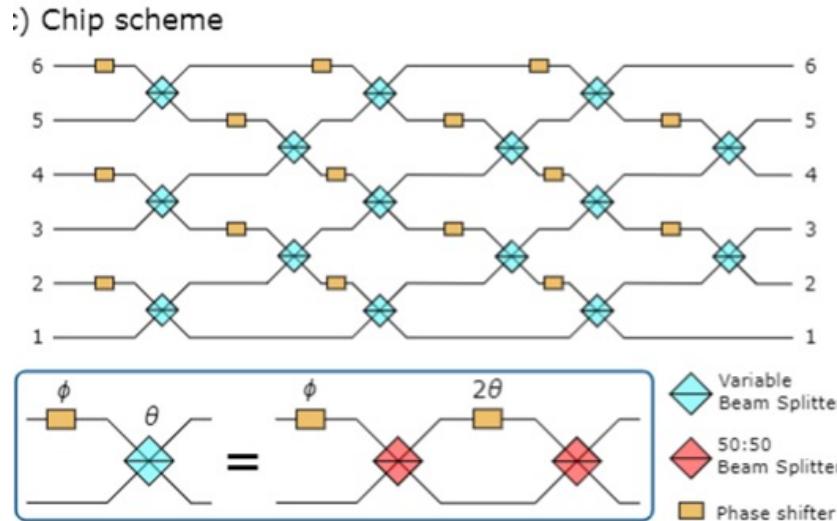
## Universal 6-mode integrated photonic chips

- 6 layers of MZ
- 15 programmable phases  $\phi_i$
- 15 tunable beam splitter  $\theta_i$

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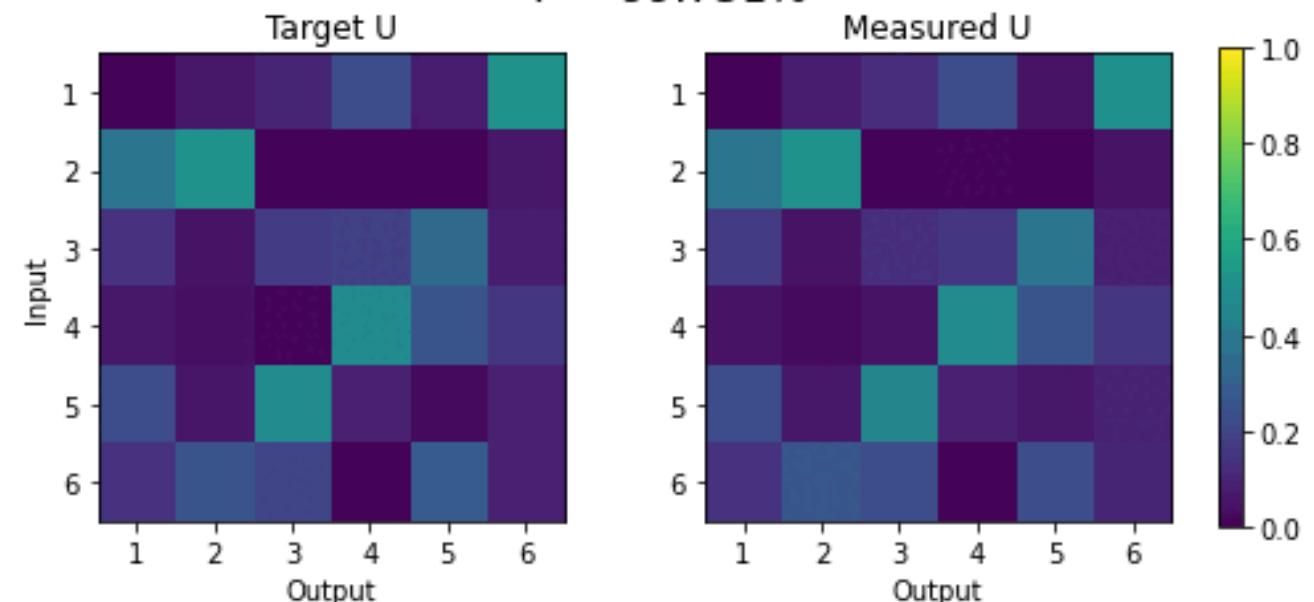


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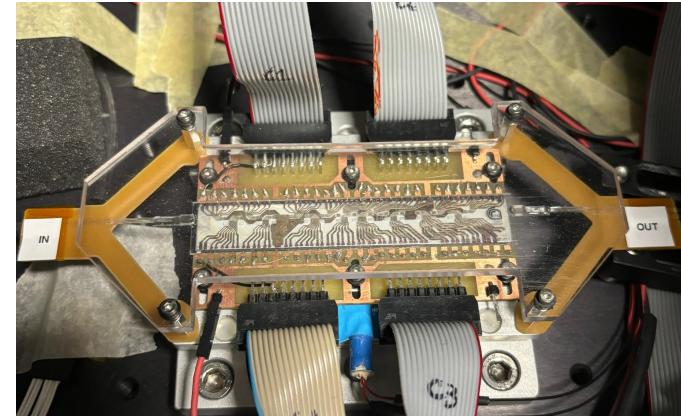
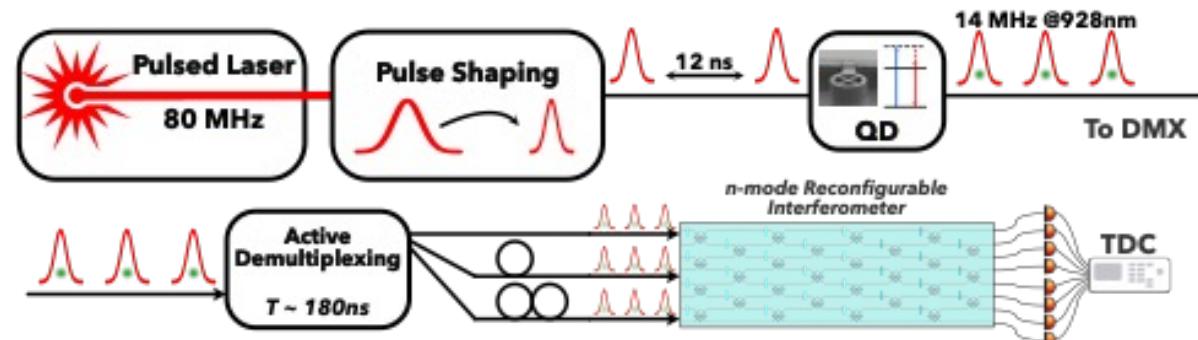
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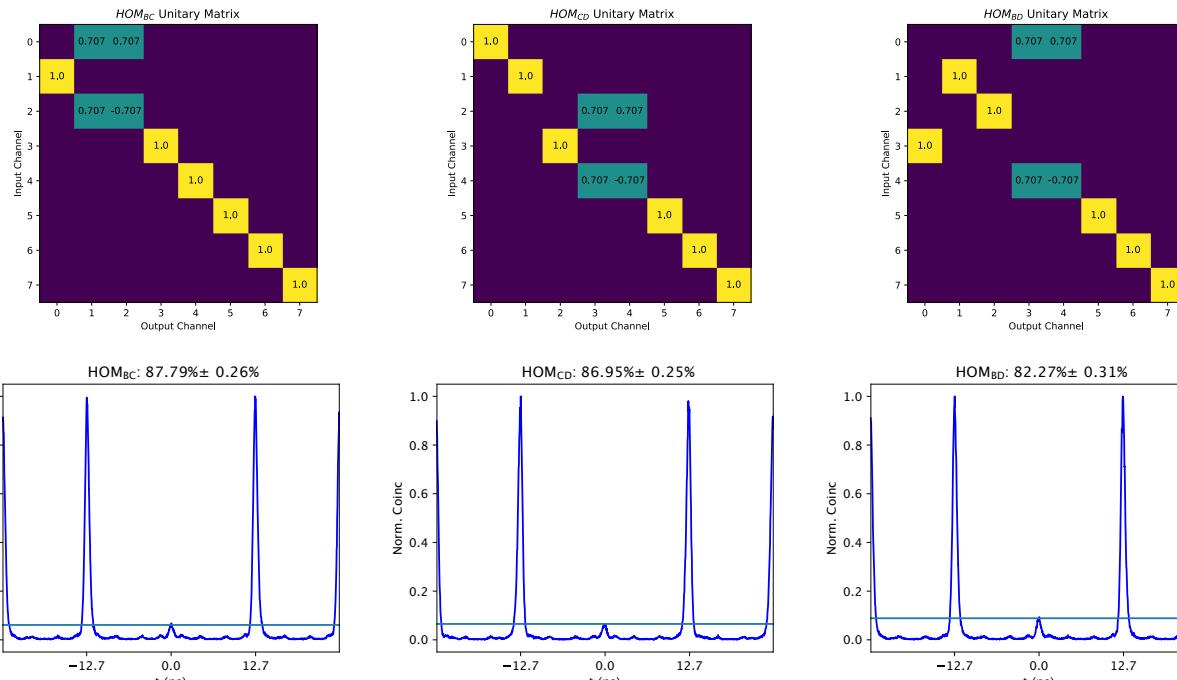


# High-dimensional platforms and multi-photon experiment

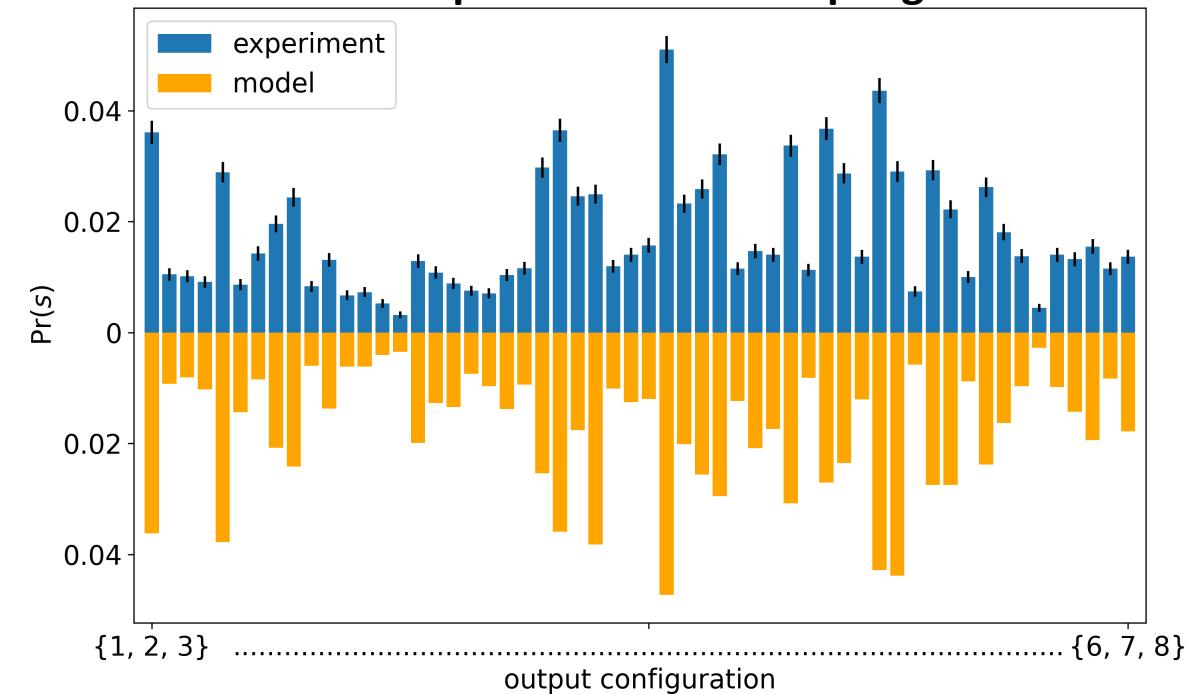


8-mode Universal Interferometer

On chip 2 photon quantum interference

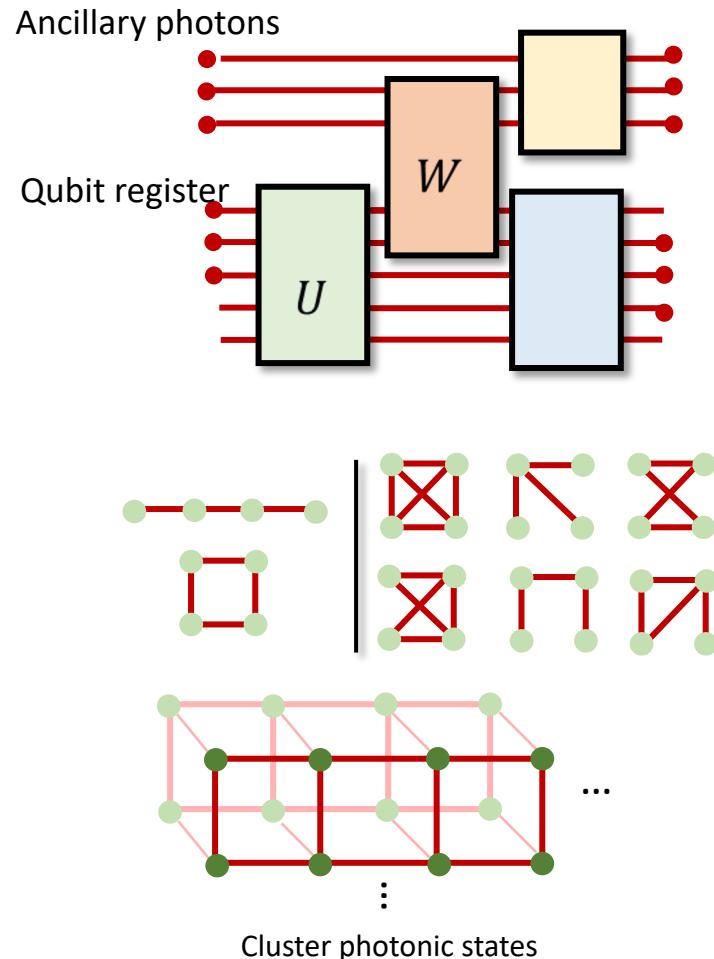


3-photon Boson Sampling

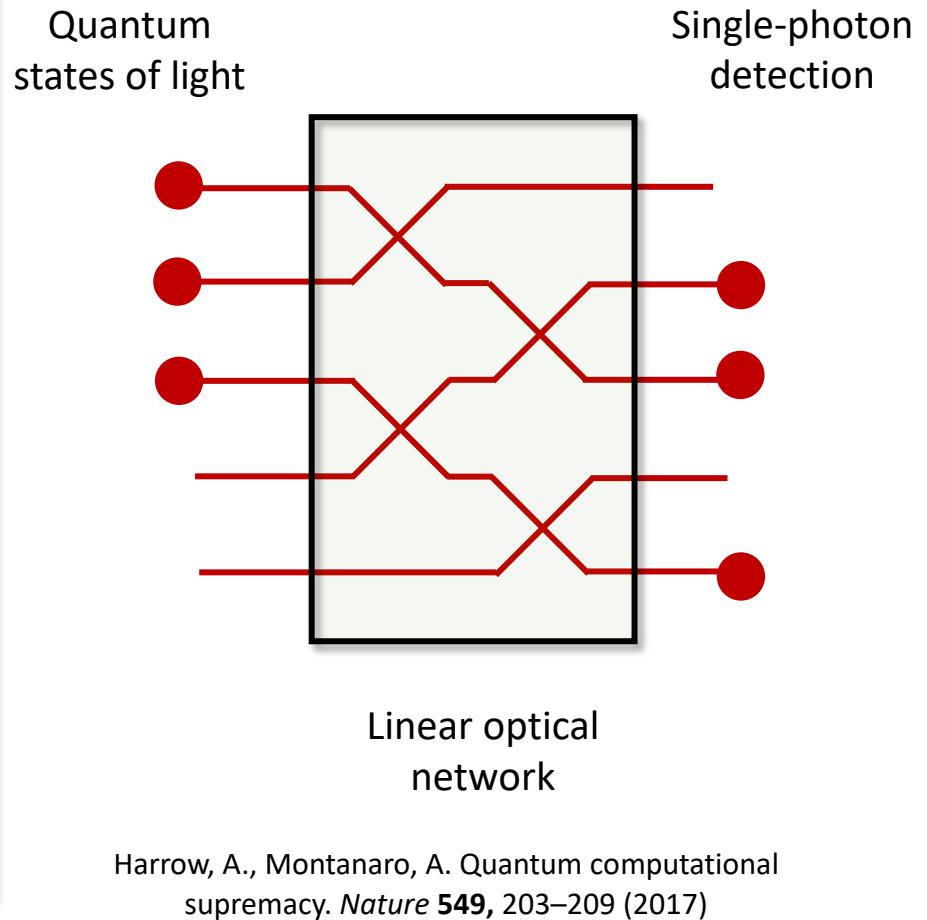


# Quantum computing in photonic platforms

## Universal schemes for quantum computing with photons



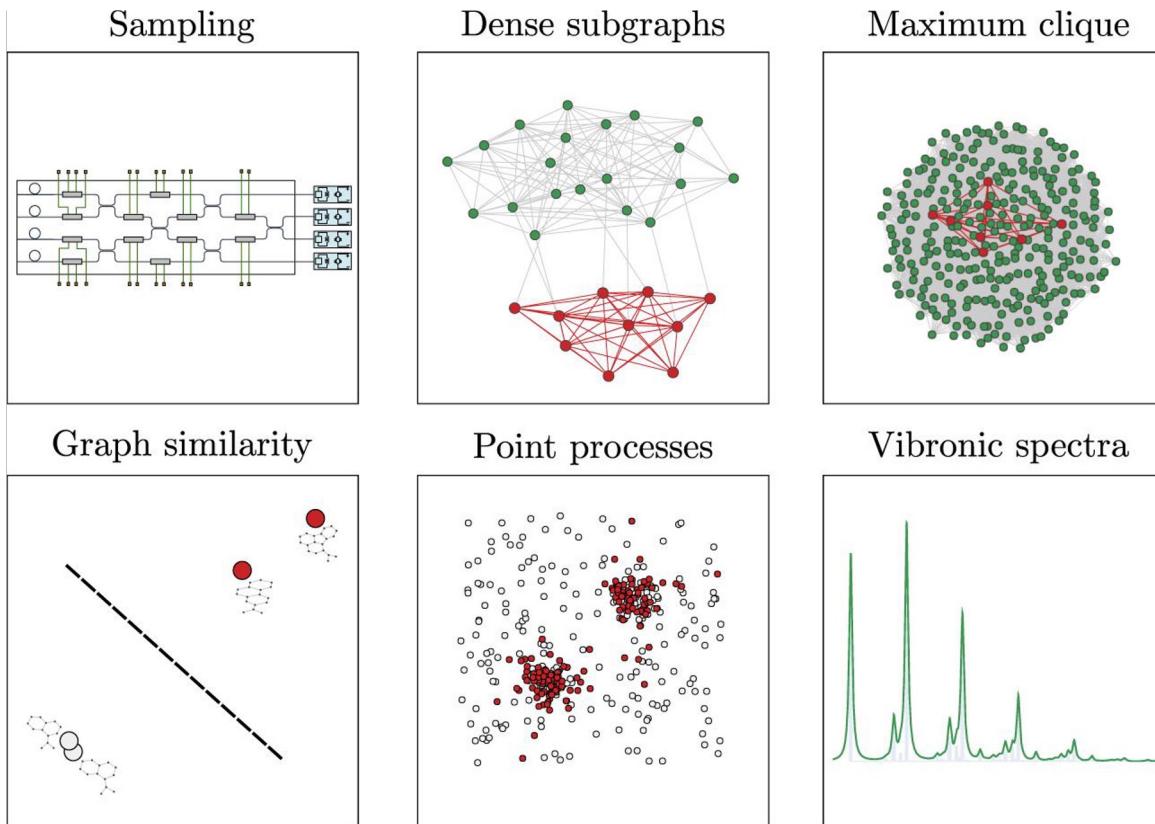
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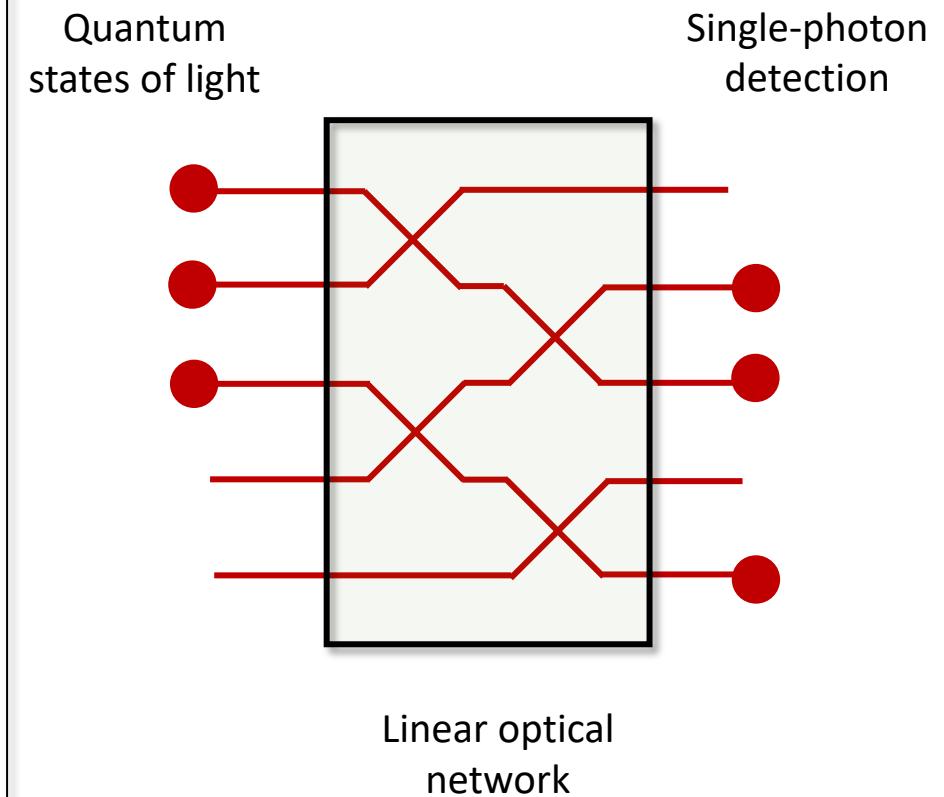
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## Applications:

- **Demonstration of quantum advantage**  
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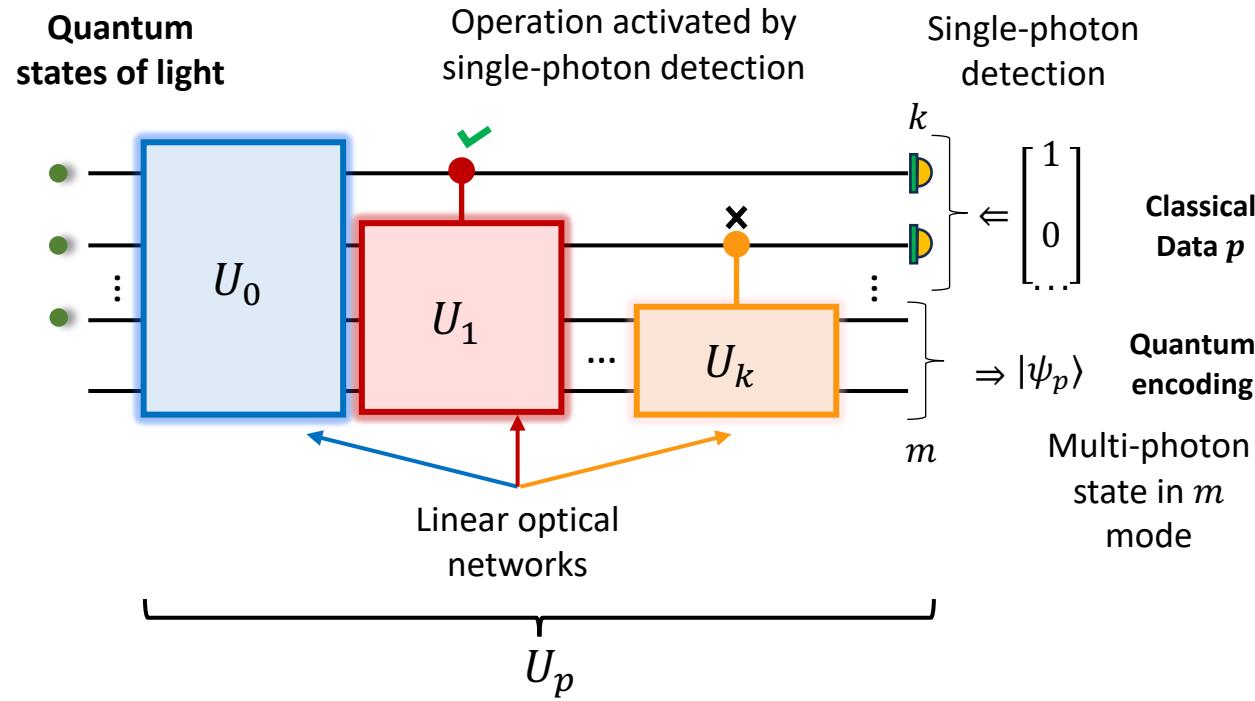
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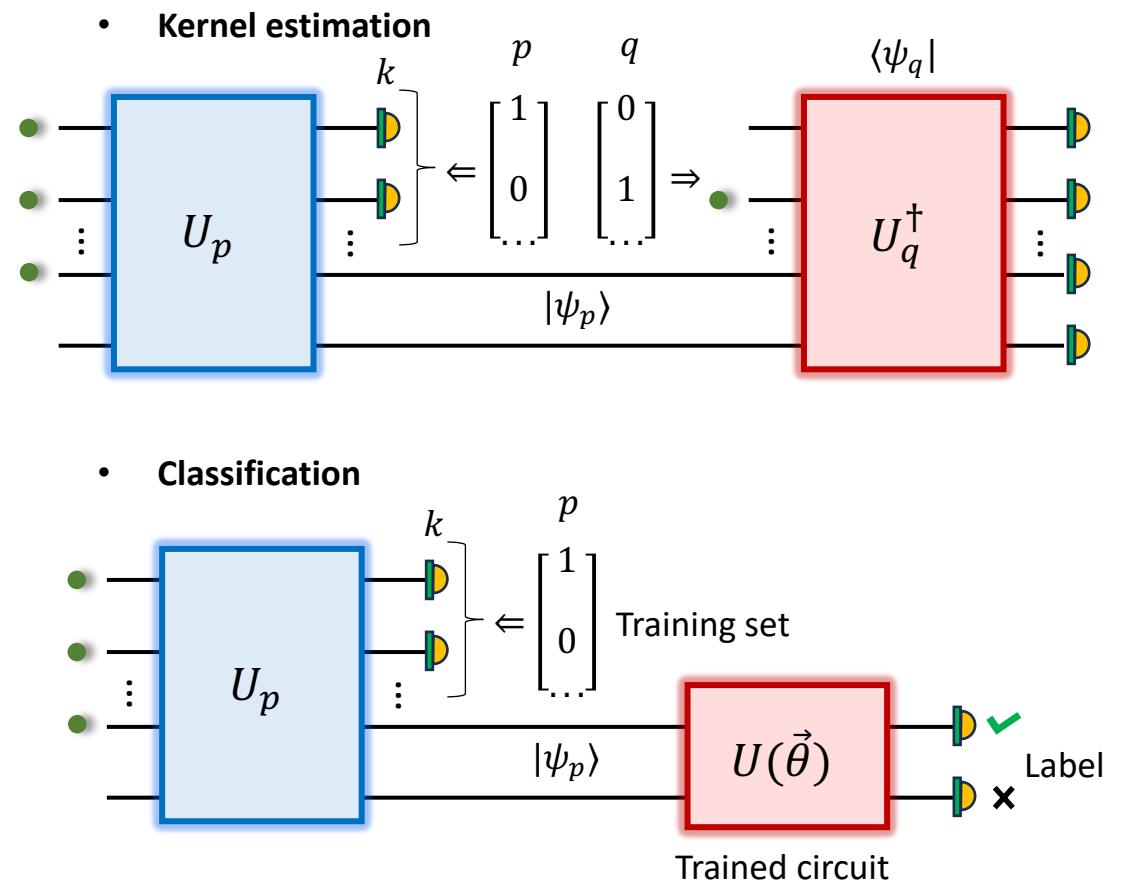
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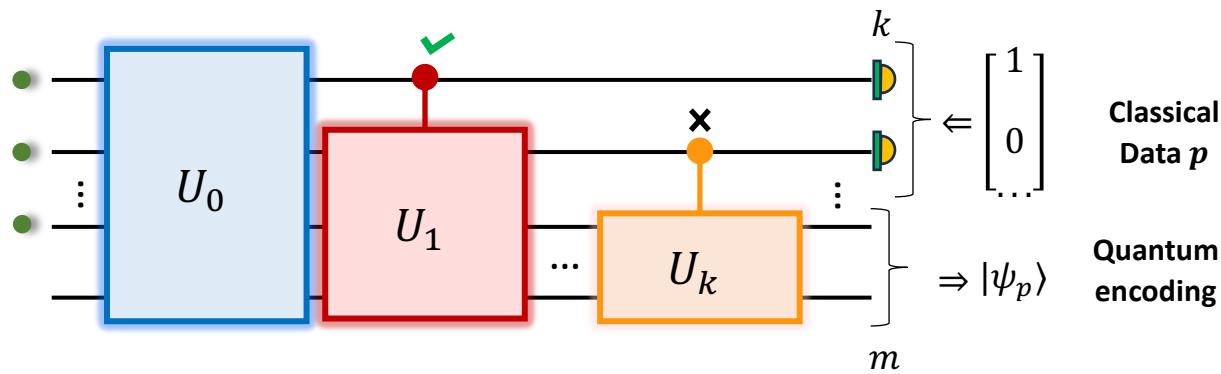
## Intermediate schemes: Boson Sampling with adaptive measurements



## Applications: quantum machine learning

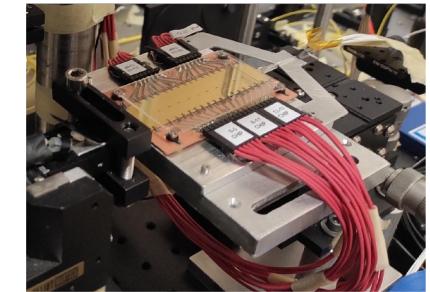


# Proof-of-principle experiment on Quantum Machine Learning



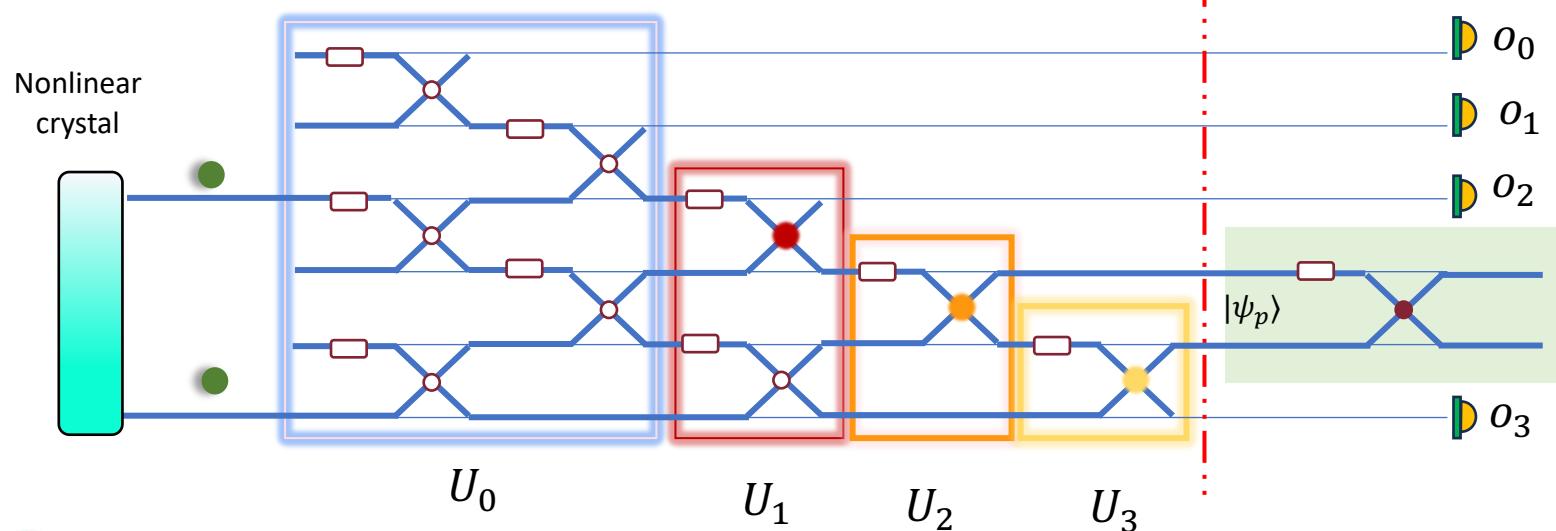
## Experiment on the 6-mode universal device

- $n=2$  photons
- $k=4$  adaptive measurement
- 3x3 nontrivial Kernel for states with the same number of detected photon ( $n=1$  dual-rail qubit)



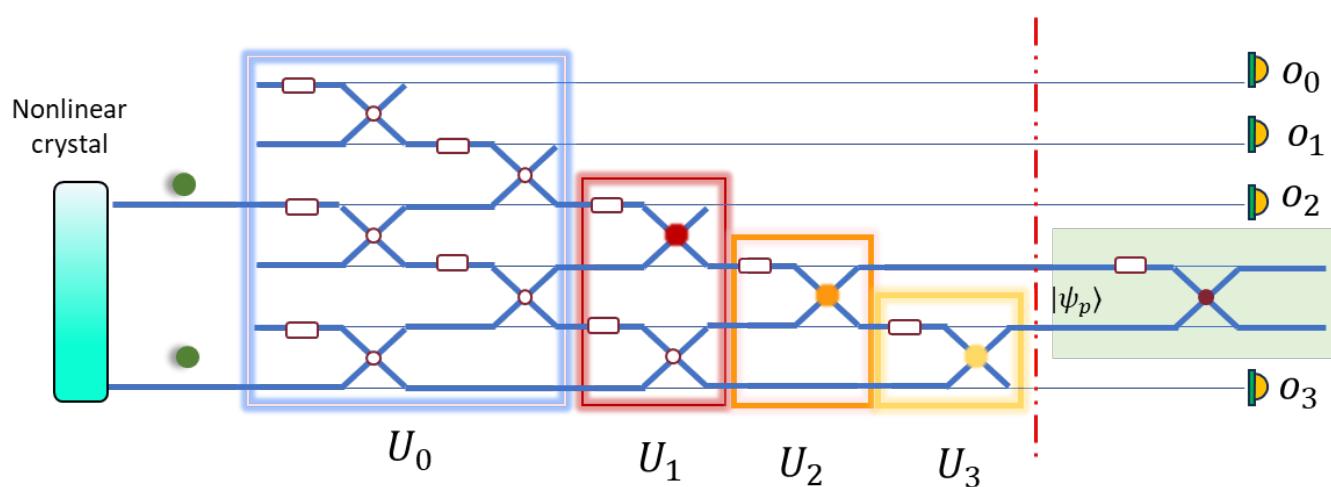
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$$\theta_i \text{ depends on } o_i: \quad \theta_i = \frac{2\pi \sum_{j=1}^{j=i} o_j}{k}$$

# Proof-of-principle experiment: first results



Bloch vectors of the three qubits

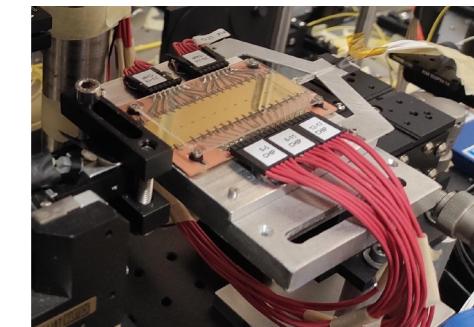
$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_1 &= (-0.5954, 0.2302, -0.7698) \\ \vec{v}_2 &= (-0.1474, -0.9203, 0.3625) \\ \vec{v}_3 &= (-0.3269, 0.0465, -0.9439)\end{aligned}$$

3x3 kernel

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} 1.000 & 0.298 & 0.966 \\ 0.298 & 1.000 & 0.331 \\ 0.966 & 0.331 & 1.000 \end{pmatrix}$$

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## Experimental data

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{v}_1 &= (-0.523 \pm 0.004, 0.242 \pm 0.006, -0.769 \pm 0.006) \\ \vec{v}_2 &= (-0.14 \pm 0.04, -0.93 \pm 0.02, 0.34 \pm 0.03) \\ \vec{v}_3 &= (0.252 \pm 0.005, 0.078 \pm 0.005, -0.964 \pm 0.006)\end{aligned}$$

$$K_e = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0 \pm 0 & 0.31 \pm 0.05 & 0.82 \pm 0.04 \\ 0.31 \pm 0.05 & 1.0 \pm 0 & 0.28 \pm 0.02 \\ 0.82 \pm 0.04 & 0.28 \pm 0.02 & 1.0 \pm 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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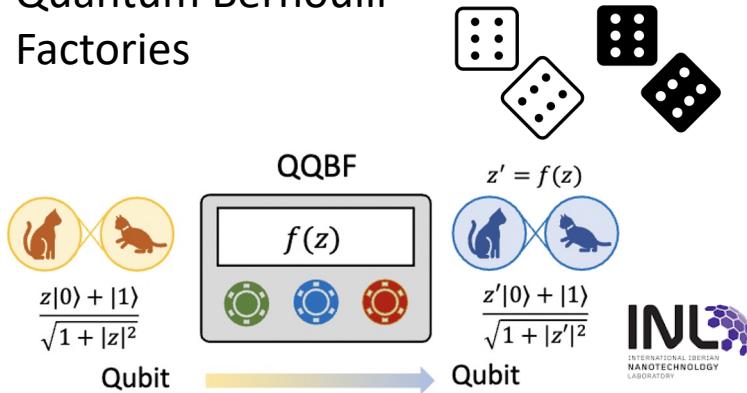
# Design and verification of quantum softwares

## Software for quantum photonic platforms

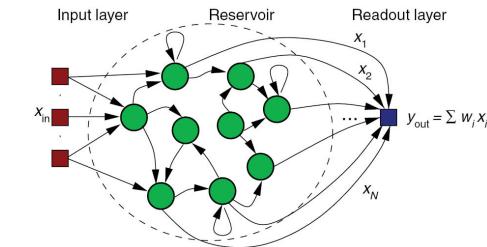
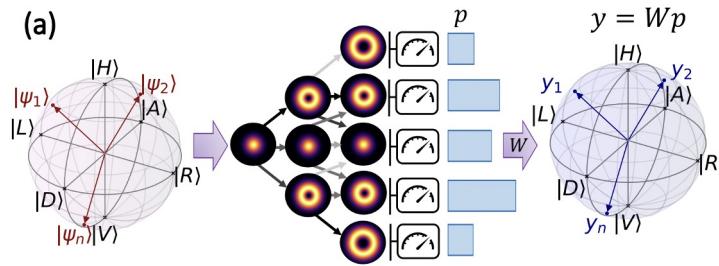
Quantum Machine Learning  
Randomness manipulation

Alternative scheme for quantum computing

### Quantum Bernoulli Factories



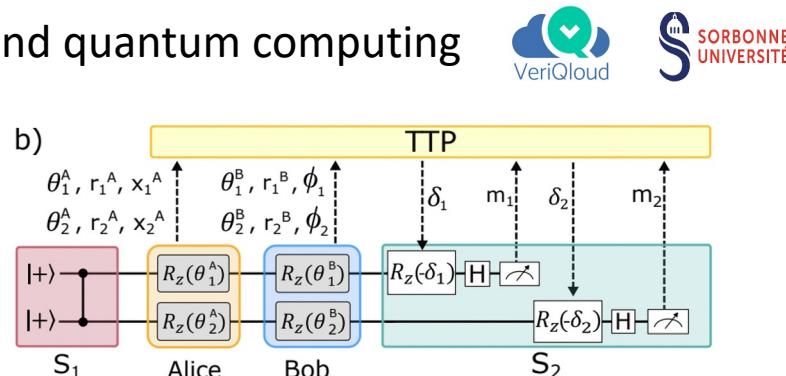
### Quantum Reservoir computing



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### Blind quantum computing

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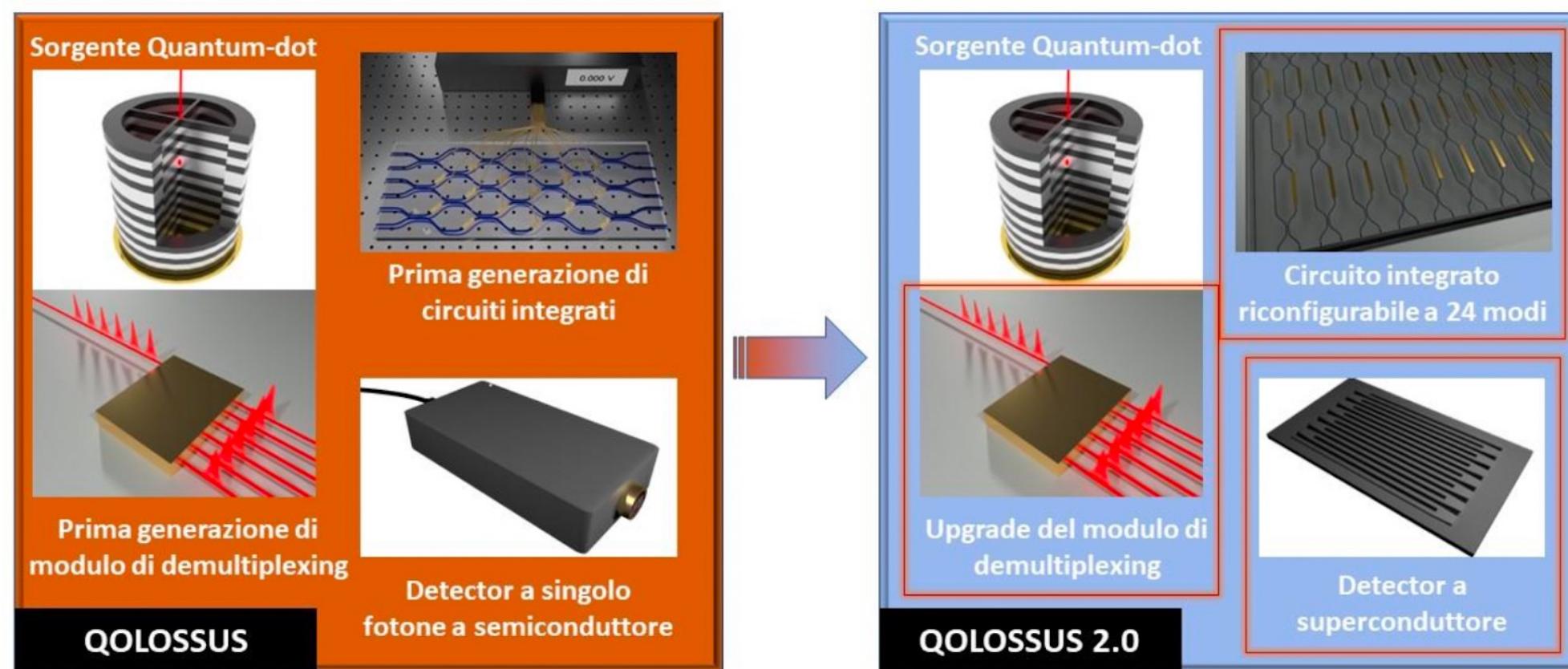
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# Next steps: upgrade of the hybrid photonics platform



- more photons
- more modes
- detector with higher efficiencies
- higher rates
- full control on platform



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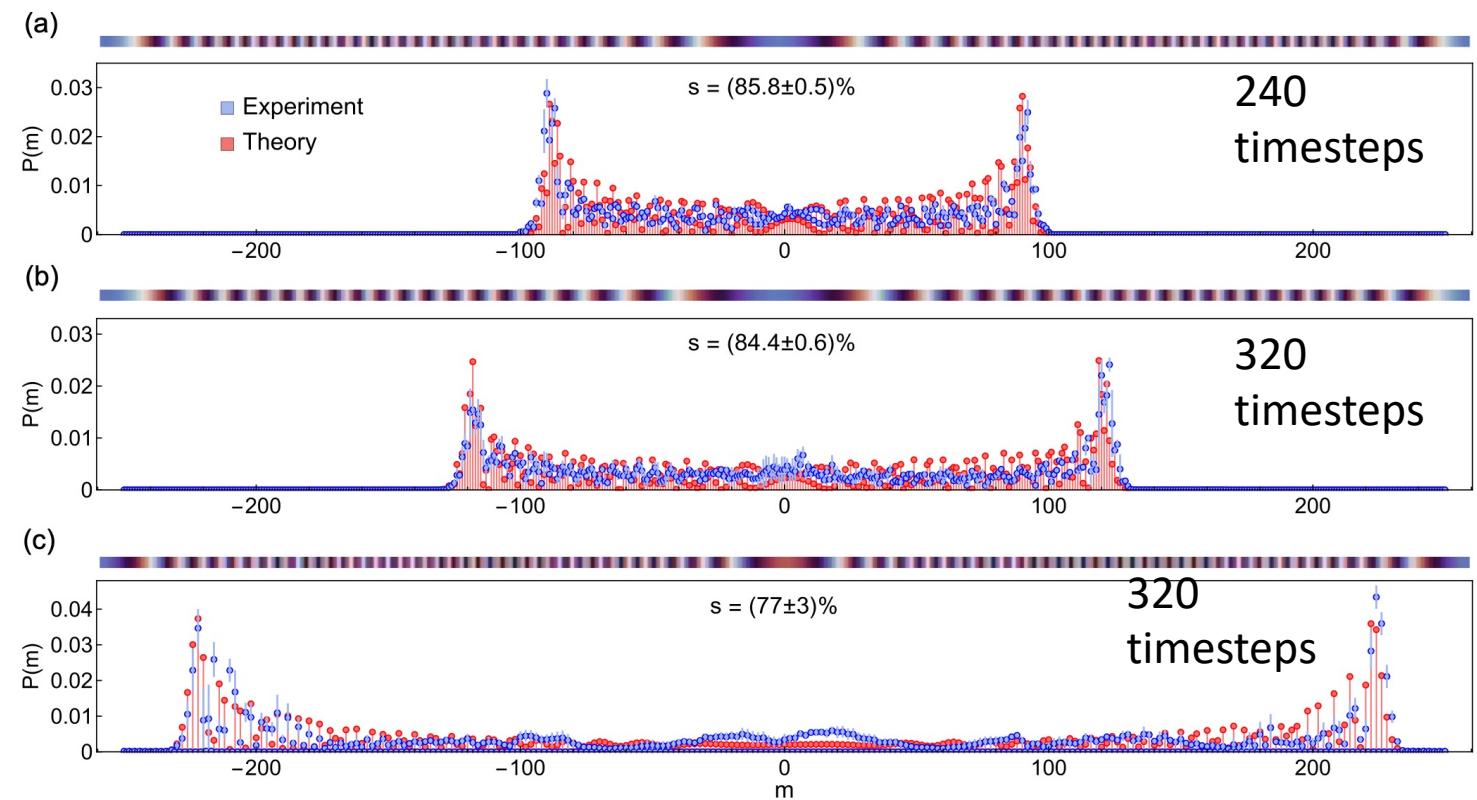
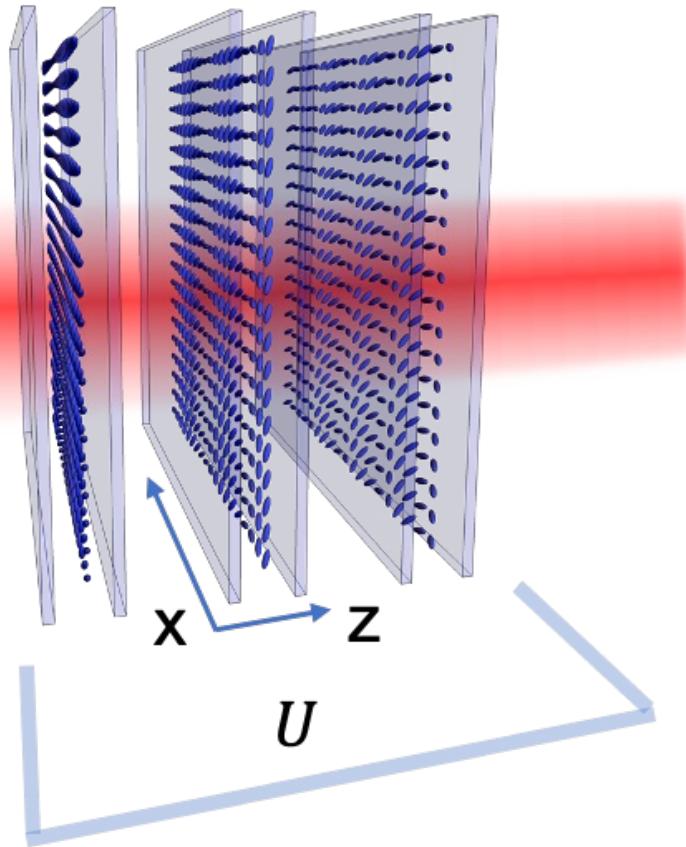


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# Realizing complex unitaries based on the quantum walk paradigm



Novel approach based on few complex metasurfaces



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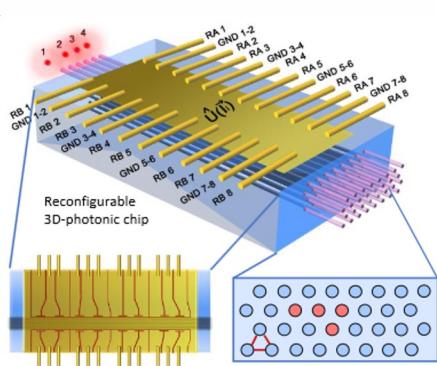
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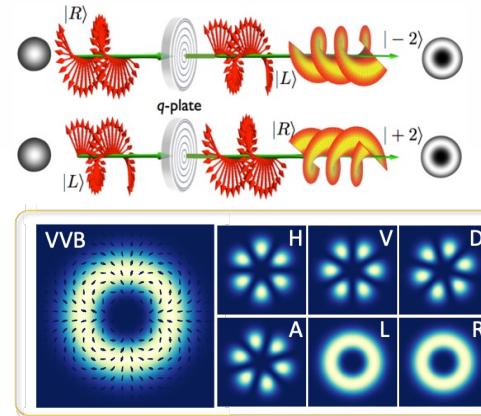
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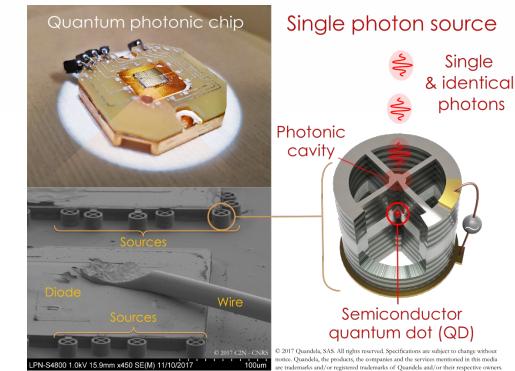
## 1) Integrated circuits



## 1) Angular momentum states



## 3) Deterministic sources



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Parameterized quantum circuits for anomaly detection and generative tasks

Andrea Cacioppo - University of Rome La Sapienza

We investigate the possibility of applying parameterized quantum circuits, in particular, quantum autoencoders, for different machine learning tasks. The first application is for anomaly detection in handwritten digits as well as more complex structures like anomalous patterns in particle detectors. This algorithm has been trained on a classical computer and tested with simulations and on real quantum hardware. Tests on NISQ devices have been performed with IBM quantum computers. The second application is a preliminary study about the possibility of applying parameterized quantum circuits for generative tasks. In this study, the quantum circuit has been used in the denoising steps of a quantum diffusion model.

A General Approach to Dropout in Quantum Neural Networks

Andrea Ceschini - University of Rome La Sapienza

In classical Machine Learning, “overfitting” is the phenomenon occurring when a given model learns the training data excessively well, and it thus performs poorly on unseen data. A commonly employed technique in Machine Learning is the so called “dropout”, which prevents computational units from becoming too specialized, hence reducing the risk of overfitting. With the advent of Quantum Neural Networks as learning models, overfitting might soon become an issue, owing to the increasing depth of quantum circuits as well as multiple embedding of classical features, which are employed to give the computational nonlinearity. Here we present a generalized approach to apply the dropout technique in Quantum Neural Network models, defining and analysing different quantum dropout strategies to avoid overfitting and achieve a high level of generalization. Our study allows to envision the power of quantum dropout in enabling generalization, providing useful guidelines on determining the maximal dropout probability for a given model, based on overparametrization theory. It also highlights how quantum dropout does not impact the features of the Quantum Neural Networks model, such as expressibility and entanglement. All these conclusions are supported by extensive numerical simulations, and may pave the way to efficiently employing deep Quantum Machine Learning models based on state-of-the-art Quantum Neural Networks.