

#### Scale-up quantum technologies with

#### solid-state single-photon sources

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About:



#### Quantum computer: the space race of the century



#### Scientific, Economical & Political

Publications, patents, national investment plans, press, lobbying...



#### Quantum Technologies will be a must-have for strategic fields

#### Not only computing





#### Photonics is at the heart of this Revolution







#### Outline:

- Single-photon sources for quantum computing
- Quandela's approach
- Implementation and challenges





#### Single-photon source performance – figure of merit

Probability of collecting a photon / input laser pulse

Computation speed - complexity



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#### Efficient emission of Quantum Light is a challenge itself

#### Laser based — approximated sources

- Attenuated lasers: single-photons
- Lasers + non-linear medium (SPDC four-wave mixing): indistinguishable and entangled photons



Probabilistic – emission based on Poissonian stats. require heralding (additional components)

$$|\psi\rangle = \sqrt{1 - |\lambda|^2} \sum_n \lambda^n |n_s, n_i\rangle$$

Brightness proportional to multi-photon emission

$$(|\lambda| \ll 1) \qquad |\psi\rangle \approx \frac{\lambda}{|\lambda|} |1_s\rangle + \frac{\lambda^2}{|\lambda|} |2_s\rangle \qquad B = |\lambda|^2$$

$$g^{(2)}(0) \approx \frac{2P_s(2)}{P_s(1)^2} = 2|\lambda|^2 \ll 1$$
 if  $B = |\lambda|^2 \ll 1$ 

Intrinsically limited – brightness Vs SP purity

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### Optical quantum computing

### **Multiplexing and adaptivity:**

"Repeat operations (emission) many times and use classical logic to select successful operations"



Many inefficient heralded sources <u>+ switches</u>, <u>delay lines, more detector &</u> <u>electronics</u>

> Increasing amount of resources, architecture complexity, PIC space

Base concept in the QC architecture of PsiQuantum

*Gimeno-Segovia – phd thesis: Towards practical linear optical quantum computing* 



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### Efficient emission of Quantum Light is a challenge itself

### **Single-emitters**



- Natural atoms
- <u>Artificial atoms</u>



Deterministic / push-button emission

Brightness with no multiphoton emission

$$|\psi\rangle \approx \sqrt{p_0}|0\rangle + \sqrt{p_1}|1\rangle + \sqrt{p_2}|2\rangle, \quad (p_0 + p_1 + p_2 = 1)$$

$$B \to 1$$
 &  $g^{(2)}(0) = \frac{\sum n (n-1)p_n}{[\sum np_n]^2} \to 0$ 

High brightness & high SP purity + indistinguishab.

## Semiconductor quantum dots = artificial atoms



White paper can be found at: http://quandela.com/edelight-3



All the photons are then emitted in the same direction, in a gaussian mode.

High coupling into a single mode fiber

### Optical quantum computing

## **De-multiplexing :**

1 highly efficient SP source + routing of temporally separated photons in different spatial modes





State-of-the-art multi-photon experiment - 20



Credit: Wang et al., Boson sampling with 20 input photons and a 60mode interferometer in a 10<sup>14</sup>-Dimensional Hilbert Space, Phys. Rev. Lett (2019)

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#### Control of the photon emission: technological challenge











# eDelight

#### Key Features:



Indistinguishability HOM > 95 %

Brightness 20 % (several MHz)

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<u>Ollivier et al. doi.org/10.1021/acsphotonics.9b01805</u>. ACS photonics (2020)



### Compact implementation & efficiency



[MHz]

Count Rate

### Multi-photons interference on chip



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#### 1. <u>PERFORMANCE</u>

Increase brightness

Indistinguishability  $\rightarrow$  99%

Entangled-photons generation

#### 2. <u>USABILITY</u>

Towards stand-alone system and plug-and-play

#### 3. <u>REPRODUCIBILITY + SCALABILITY</u>

Photon interference from separated devices <u>Fabrication of several identical devices</u>

Identical emission wavelength + identical SP temporal profile





#### Reproducibility and scalability – towards identical sources

#### Statistic on 15 sources over 5 different chips



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### Next generation of Plug & Play SPS system (available soon)









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