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**Linear optical platform for quantum computing in  
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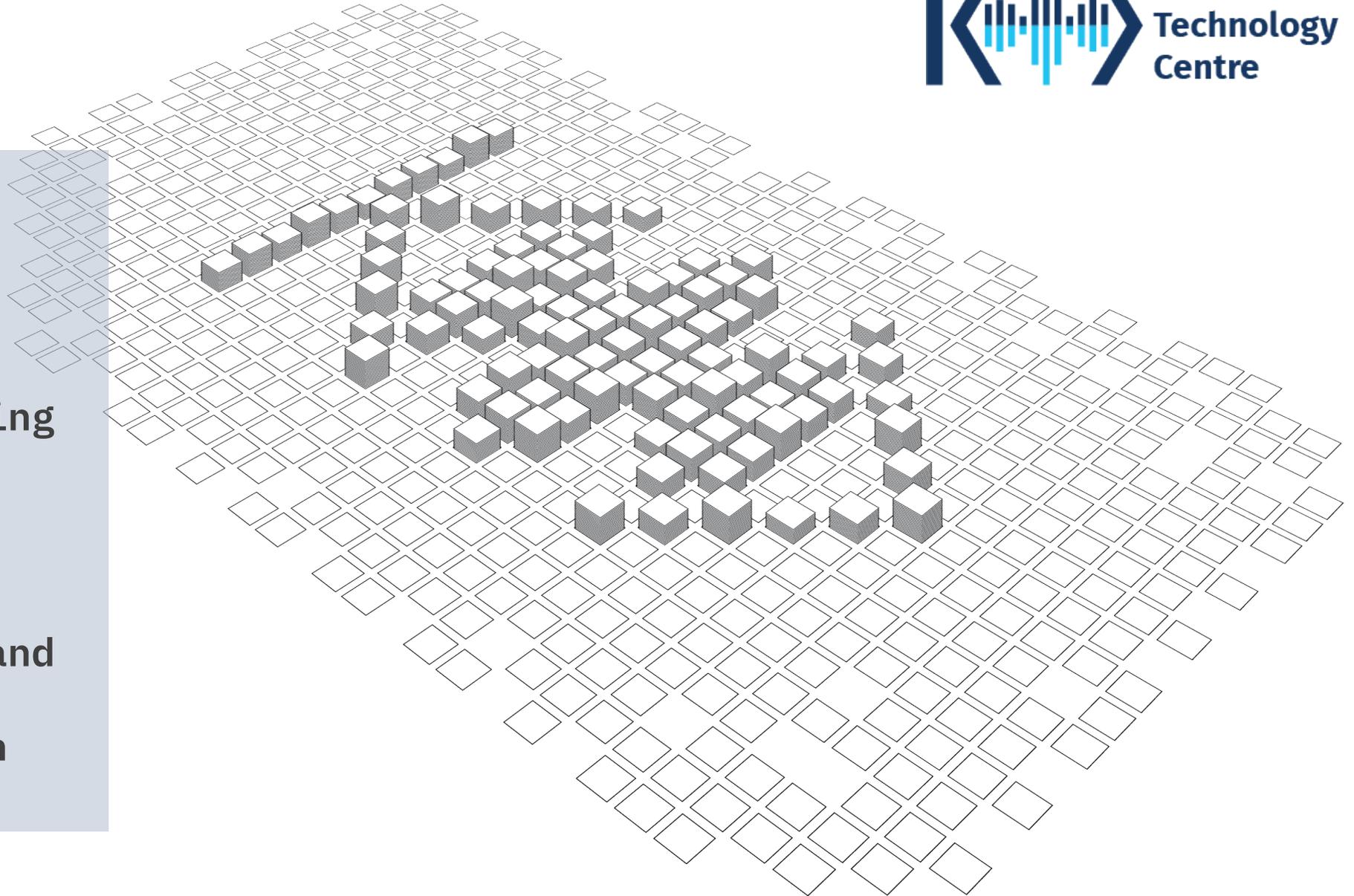
**Faculty of physics**

**Chair of quantum  
electronics**

Founded in 2017

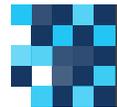
Research areas:

- quantum communication
- quantum computing
- atomic physics
- quantum optics
- integrated photonics
- nanophotonics and metamaterials
- single-electron physics



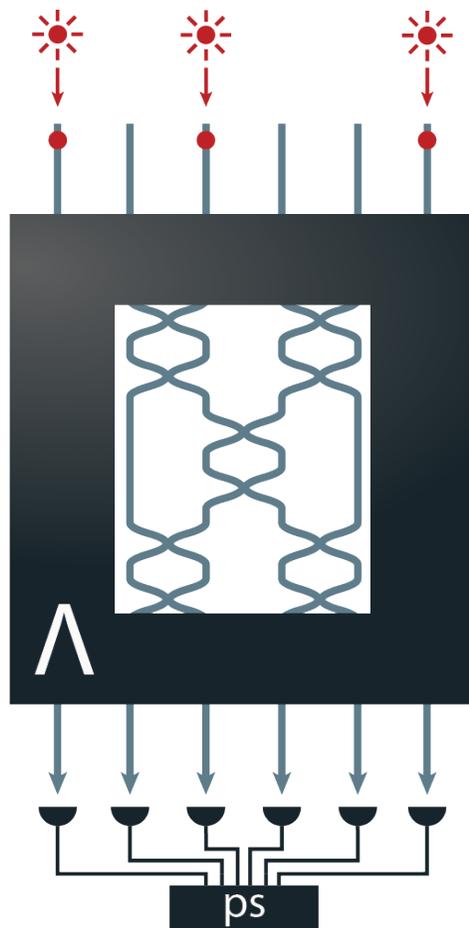


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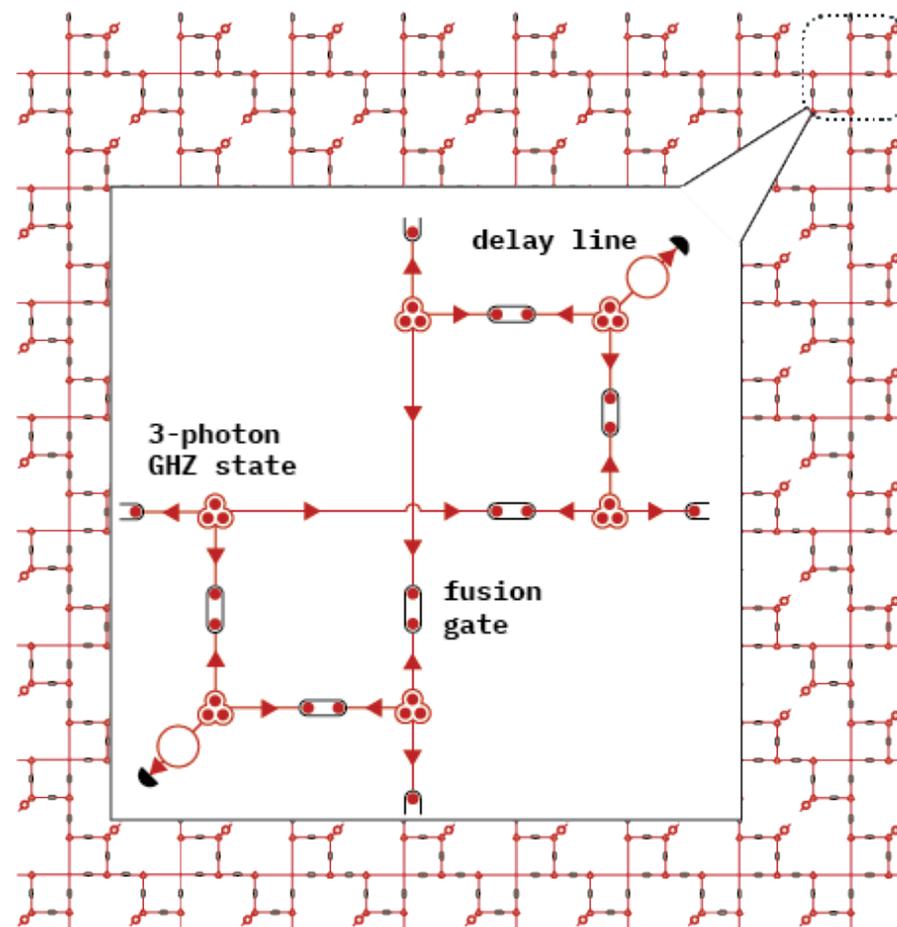


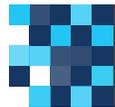
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## Near-term architecture



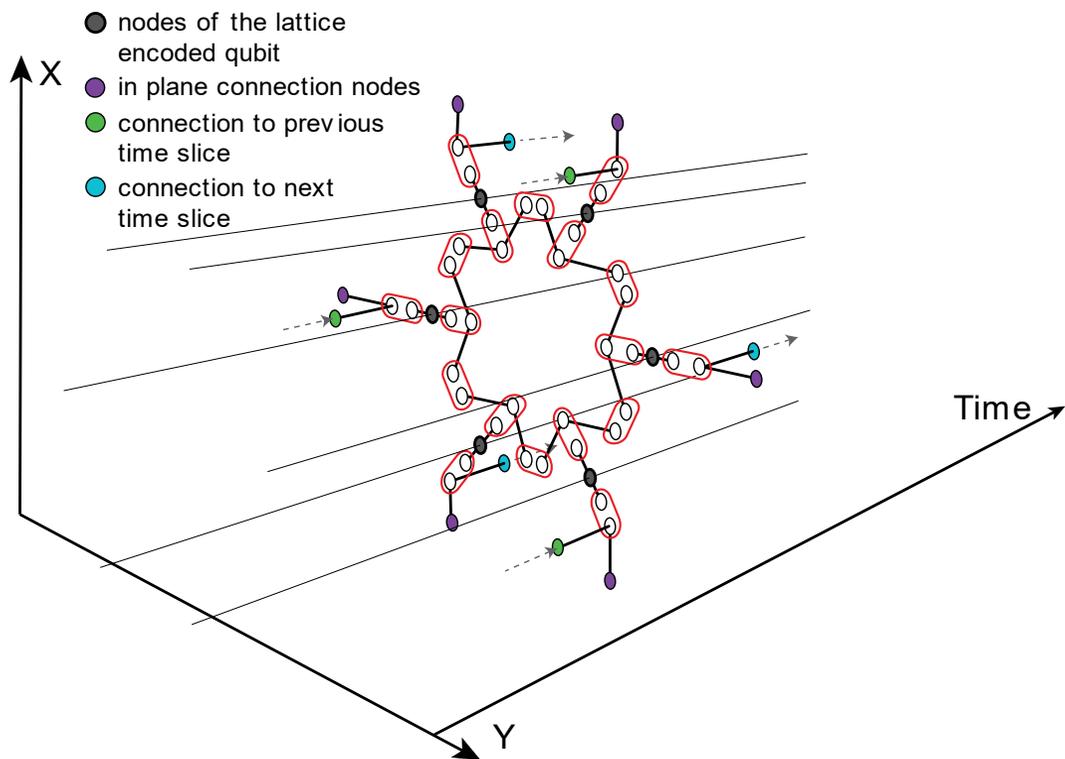
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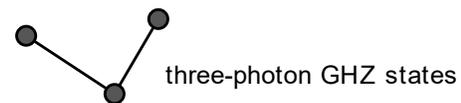


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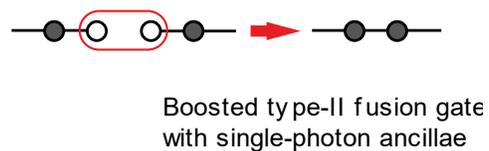
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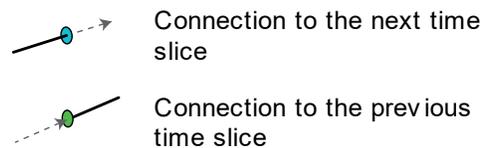
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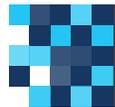


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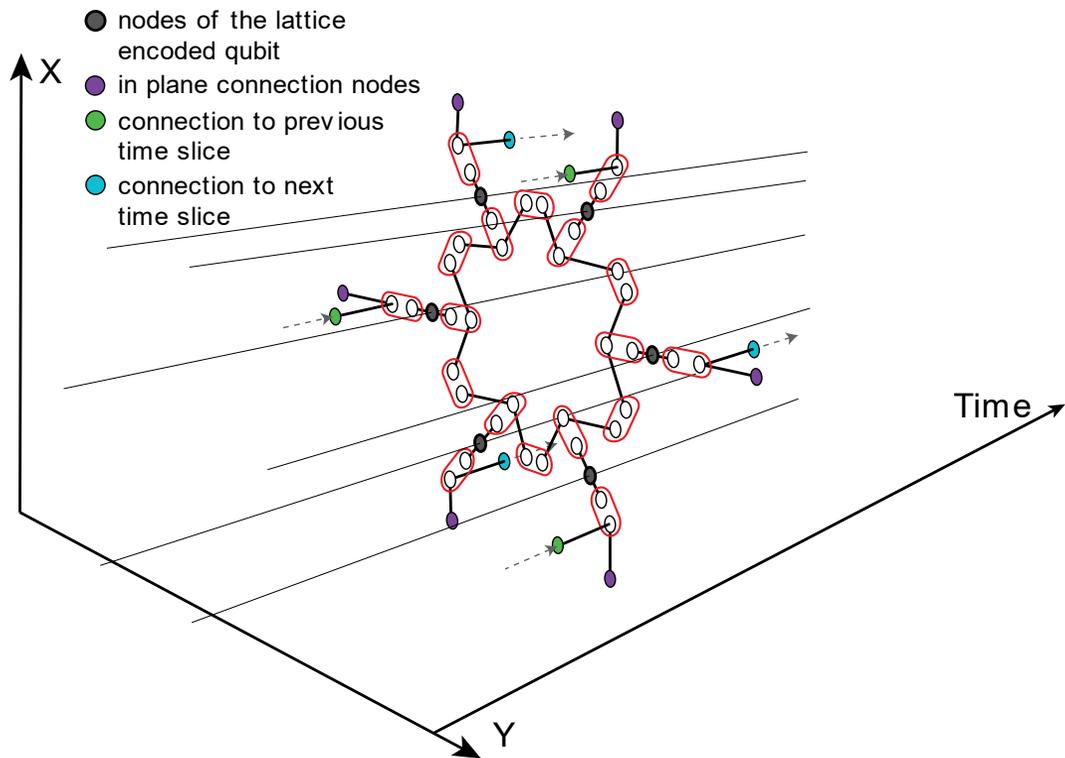
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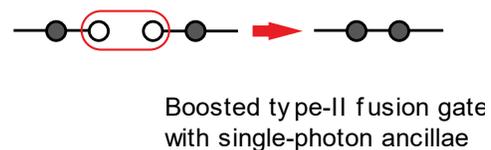
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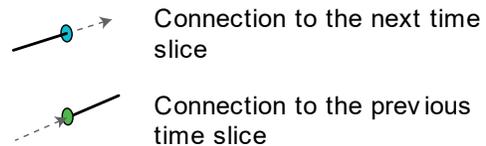
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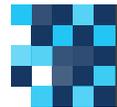
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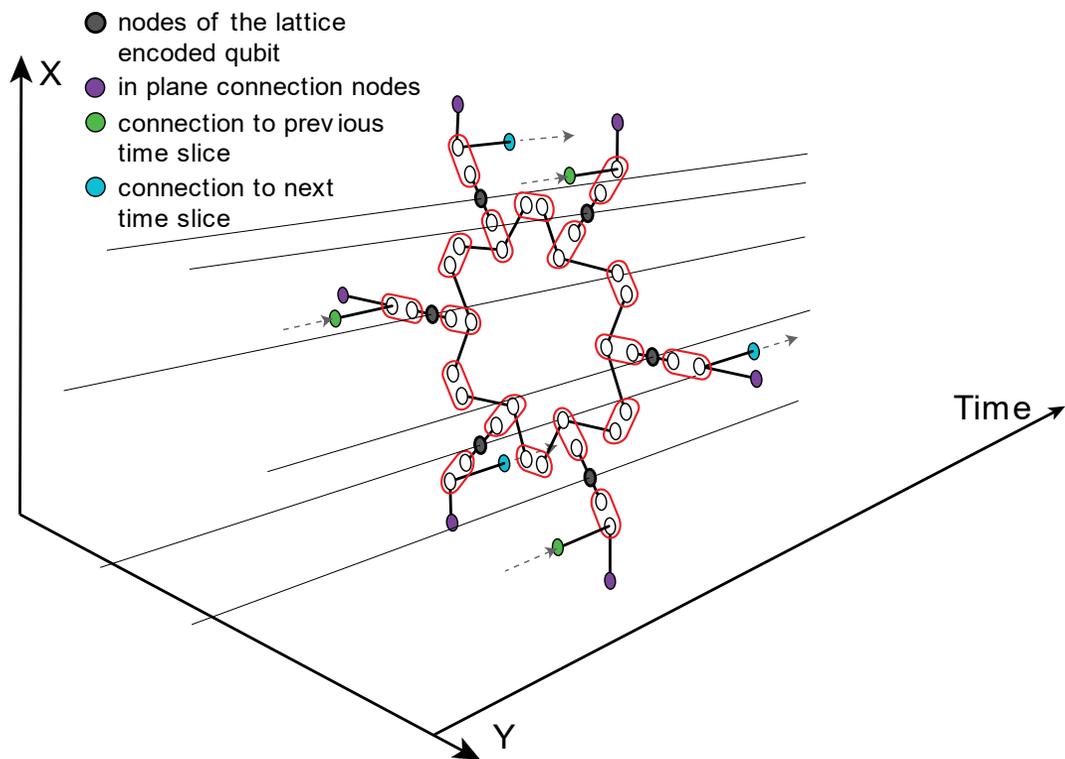


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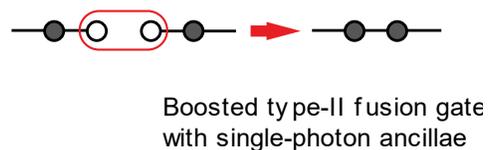
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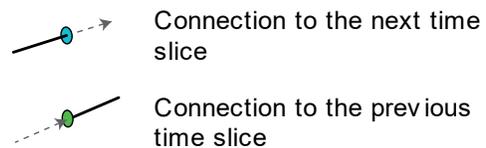
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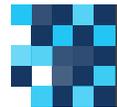


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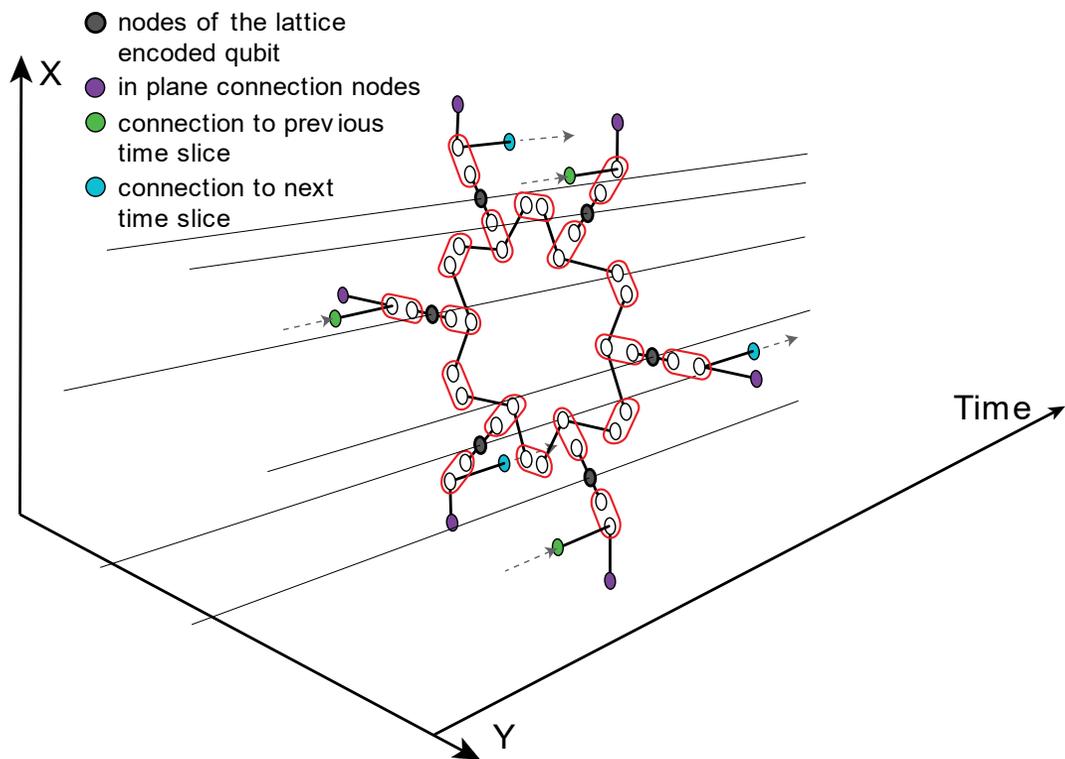
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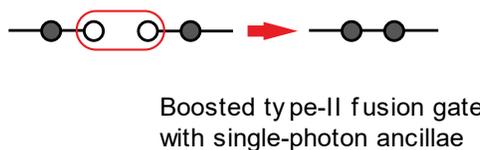
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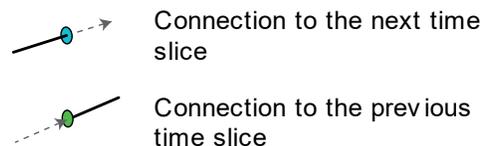
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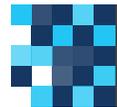
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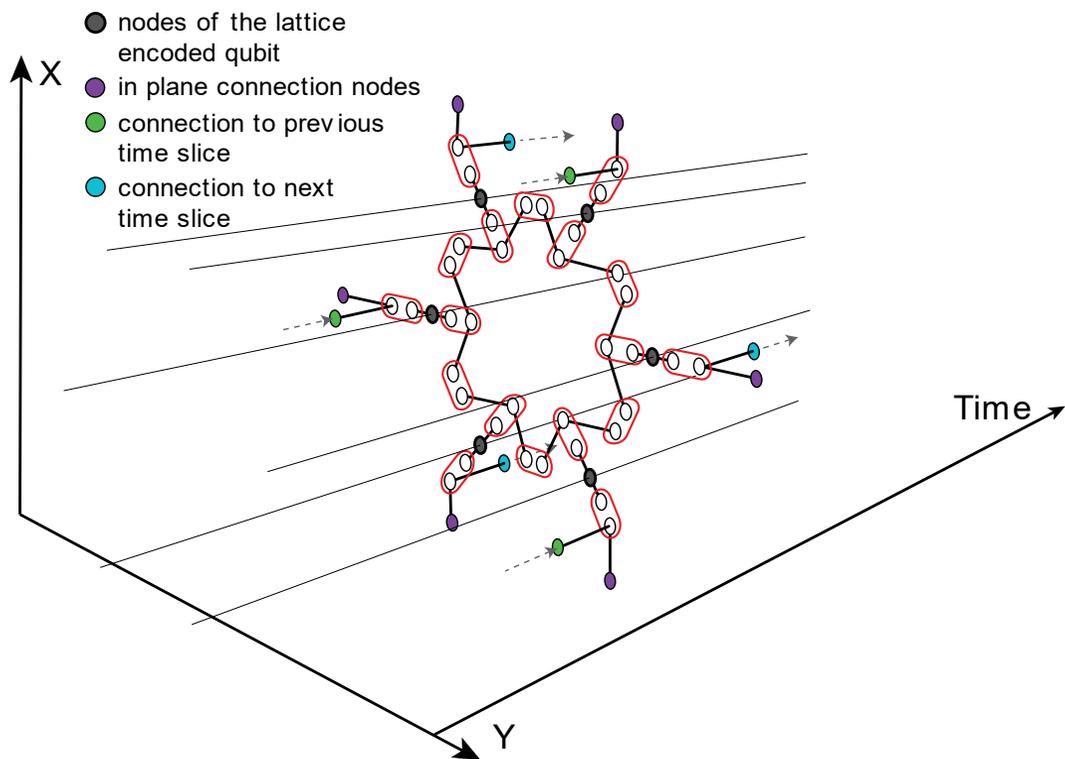
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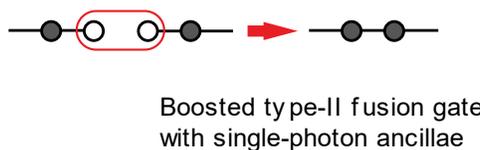
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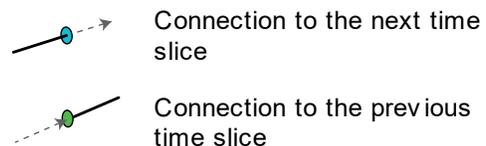
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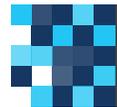


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- high-speed electronics
- fast optical switches



## Optical circuits

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- design
- technology
  - femtosecond laser writing
  - lithography

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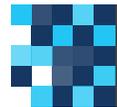
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## Optical circuits fabrication

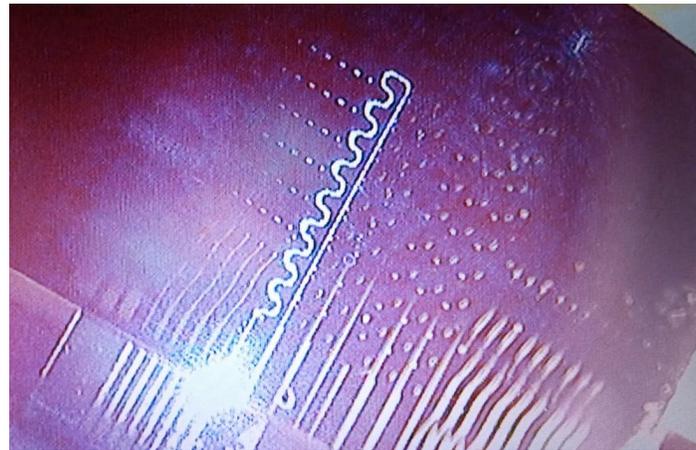
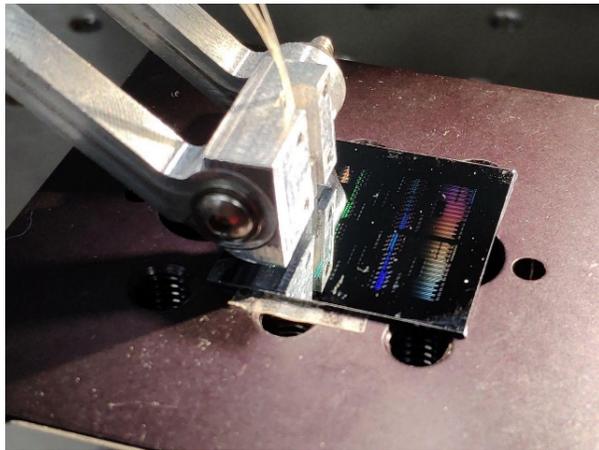
- Silicon nitride SM waveguides  
< 1 dB/cm @ 925 nm
- Grating couplers  
< 5 dB @ 925 nm, TE, 0 deg
- Edge couplers  
< 3 dB @ 925 nm



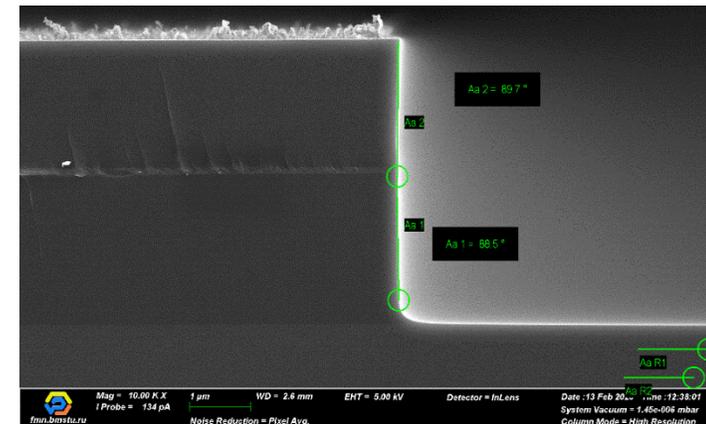
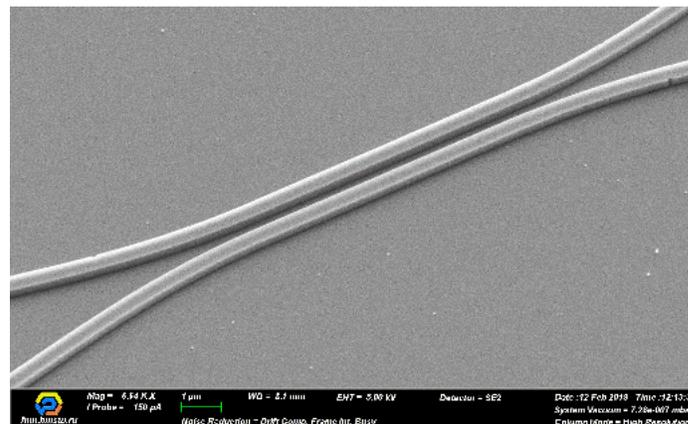
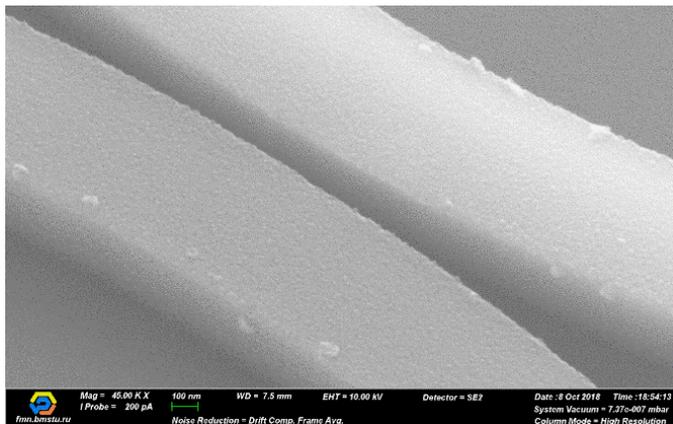


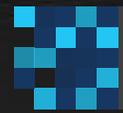
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## SiN integrated photonics

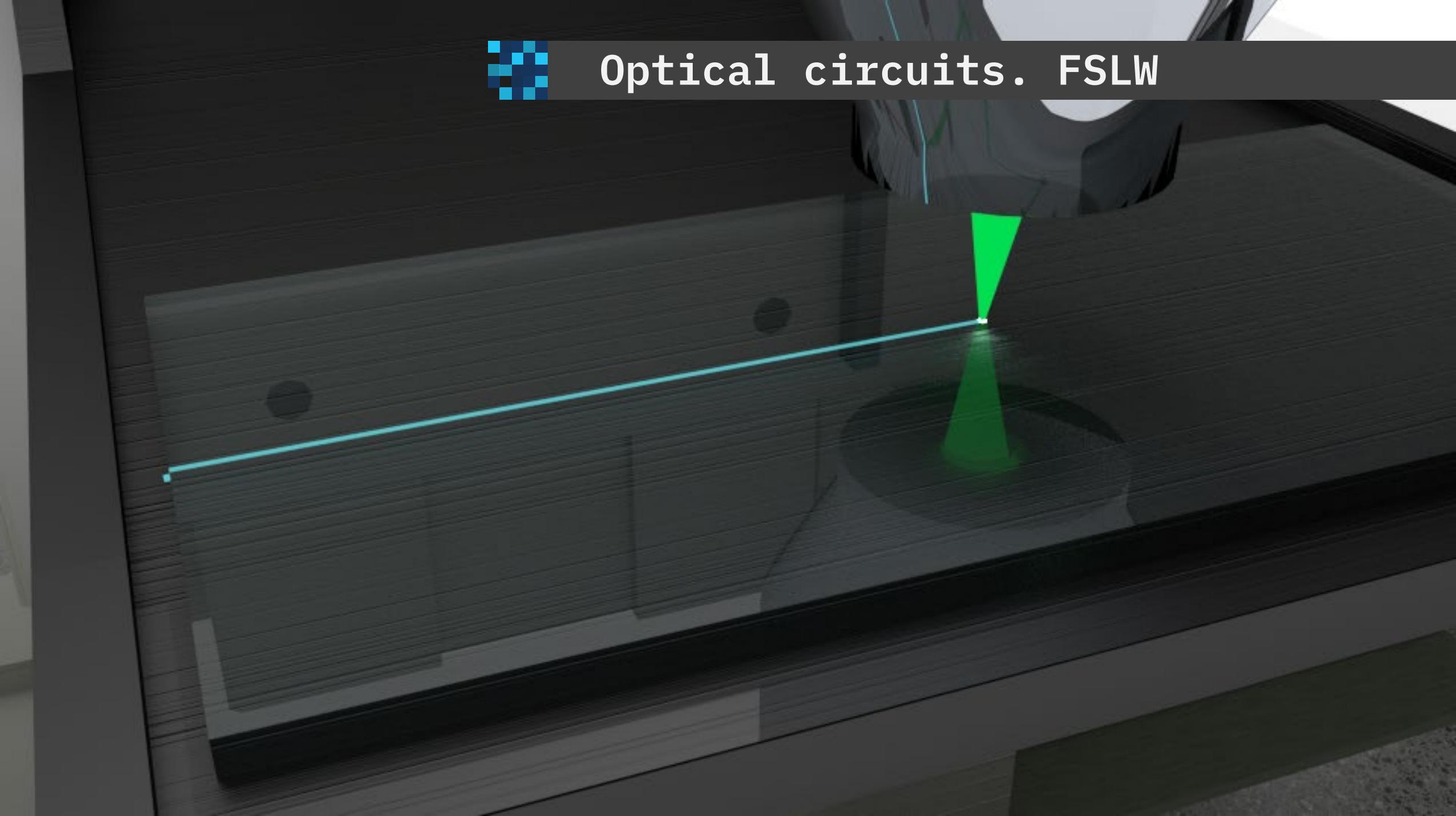


- Directional couplers loss below 0.2 dB
- Y-splitters loss below 0.2 dB
- Thermo-optically tunable phase shifters



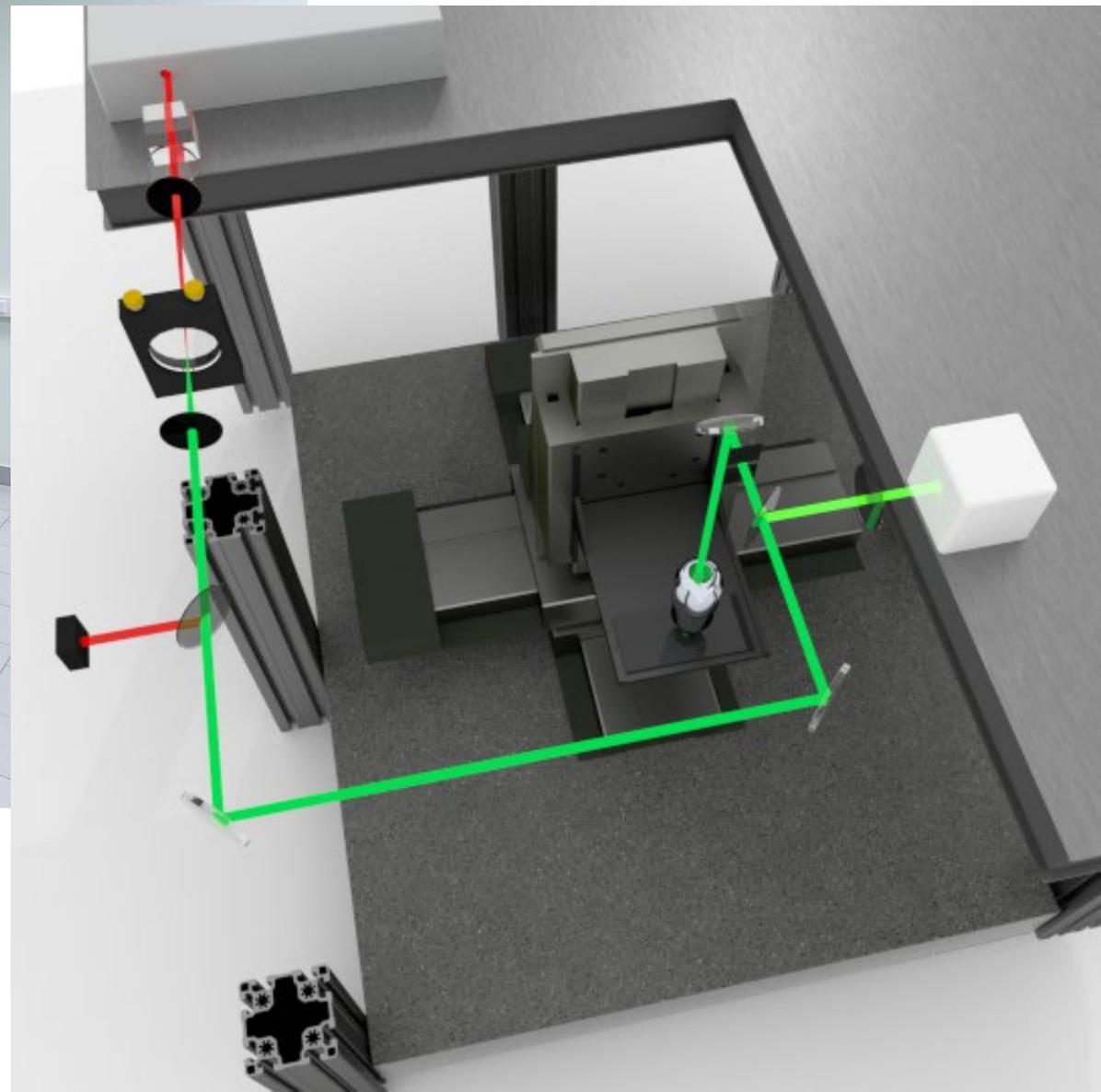
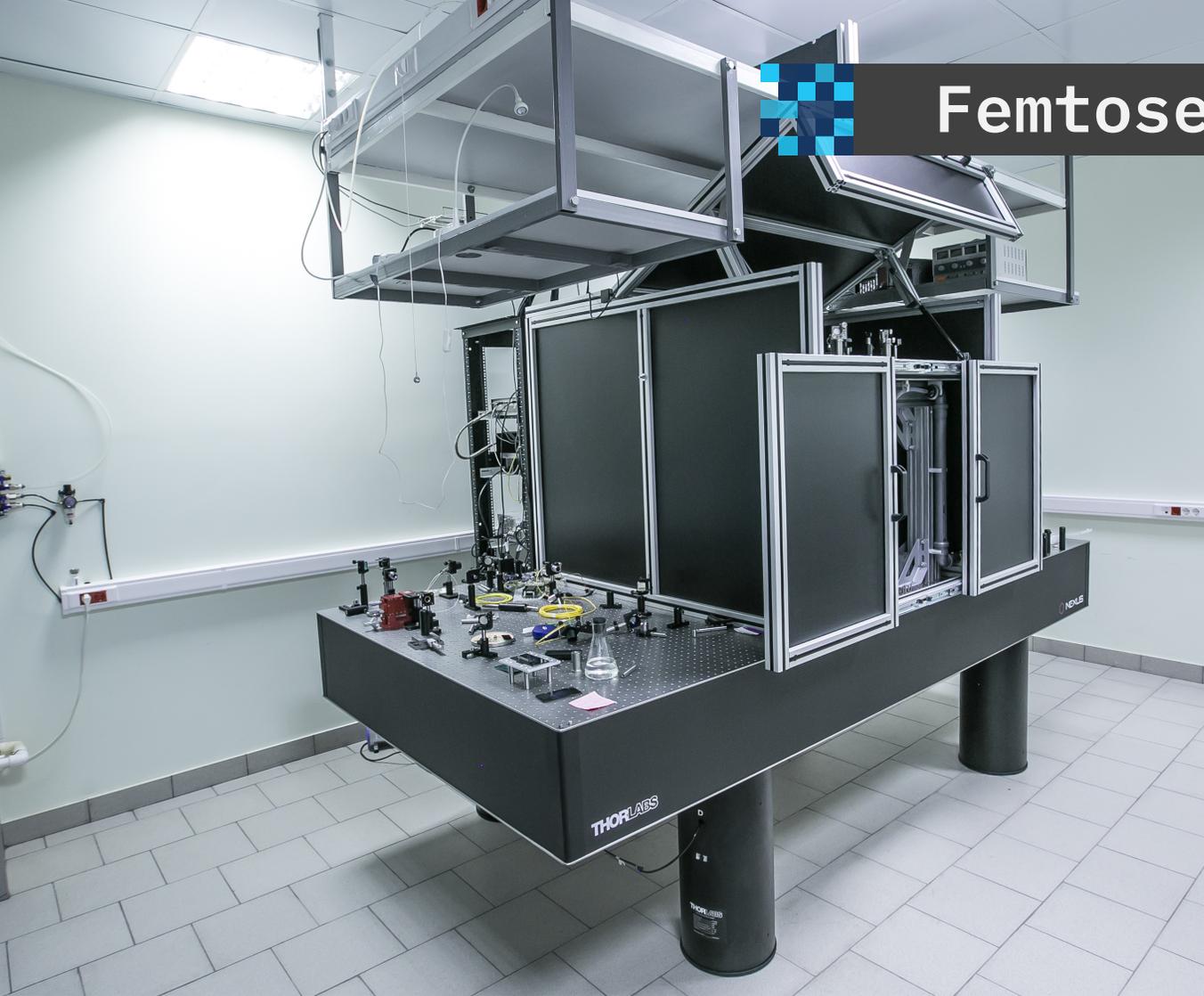


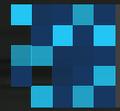
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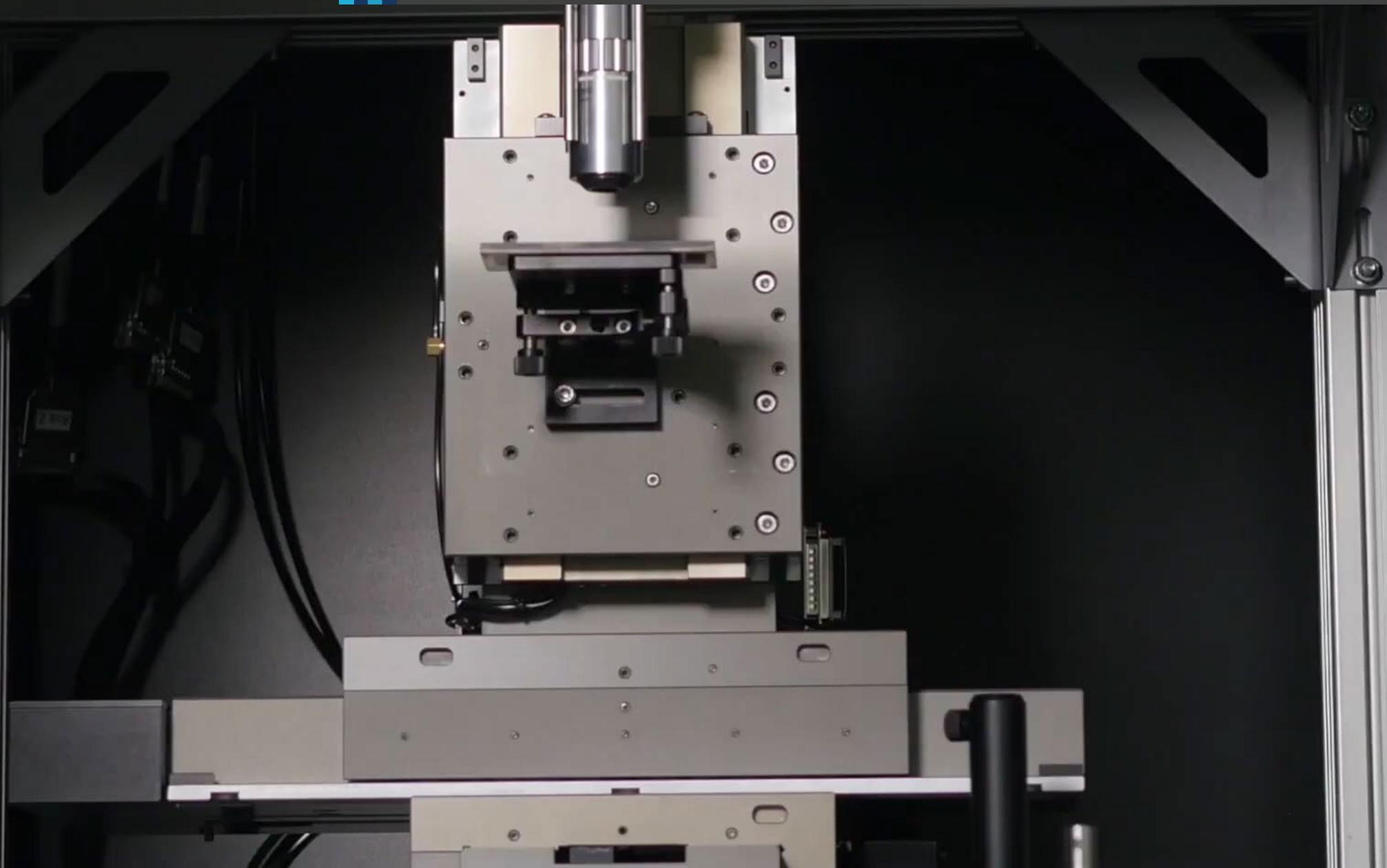


# Femtosecond laser writing





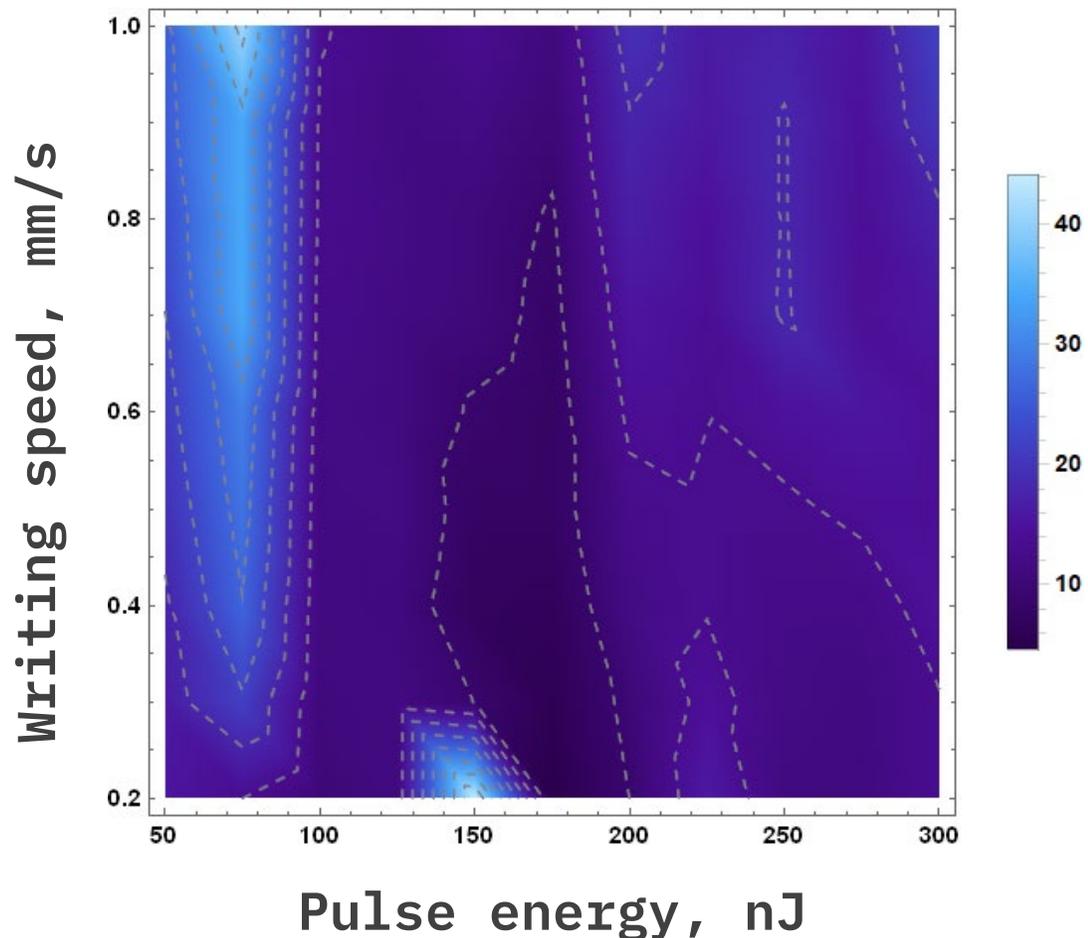
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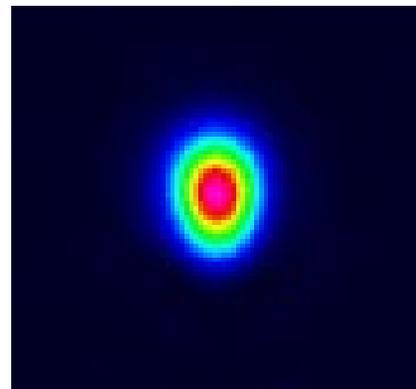


# Waveguides

## Parameter map

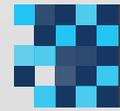


## Characteristics

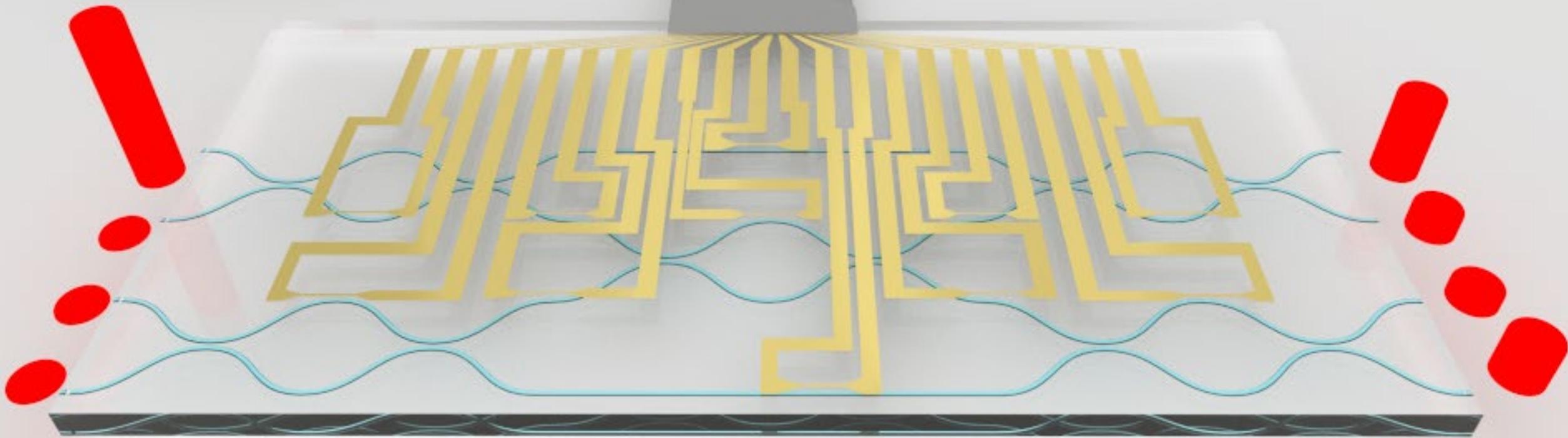


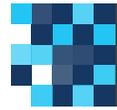
Negligible induced anisotropy

- Propagation loss – 0.2 dB/cm
- Coupling loss – 1 dB per facet (SMF @ 808 nm)
- Bending loss:
  - 0.1 dB/cm (50 mm radius)
  - 0.8 dB/cm (80 mm radius)



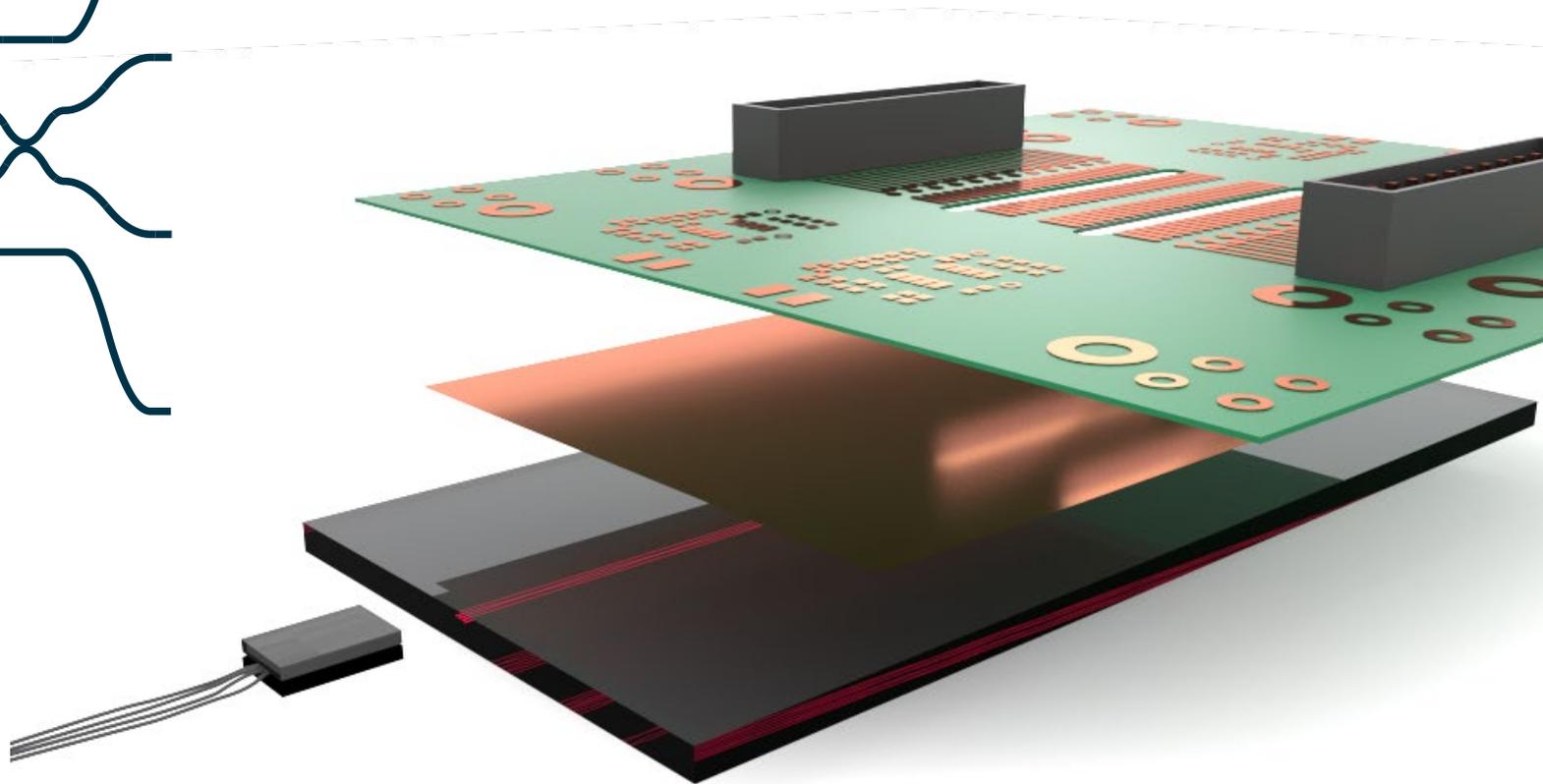
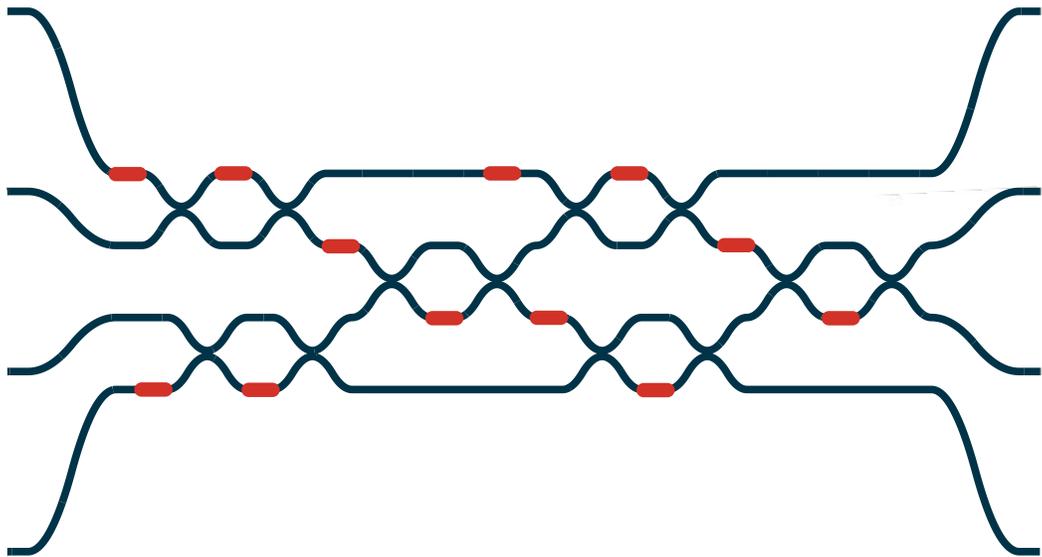
# Reconfigurable devices





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4x4 universal linear circuit





# Device assembly

Control wiring

Input

Interface PCB

Output

Thermally stabilized mount



# Device tuning

**Problems: large thermal crosstalk and imperfect couplers**

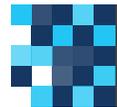
**Tuning procedure:**

1. Generate the output distribution  $\{\tilde{S}_j\}$ ,  $\sum \tilde{S}_j = 1$
2. Measure output intensities  $I_j$  on each step
3. Subtract the background and normalize

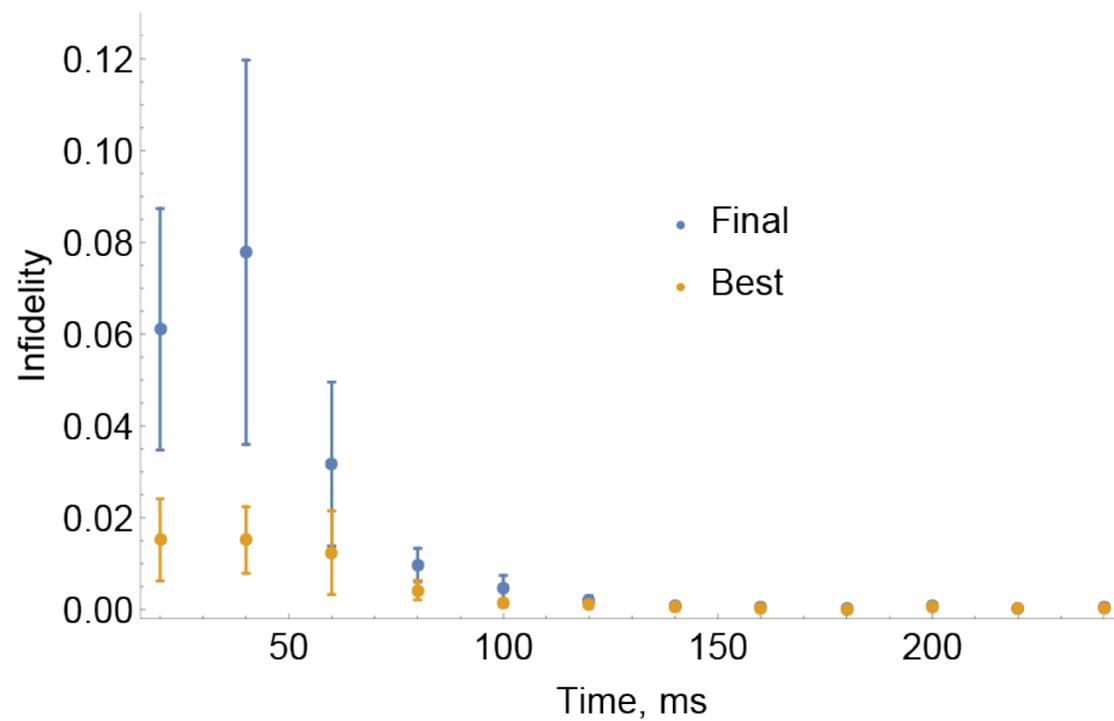
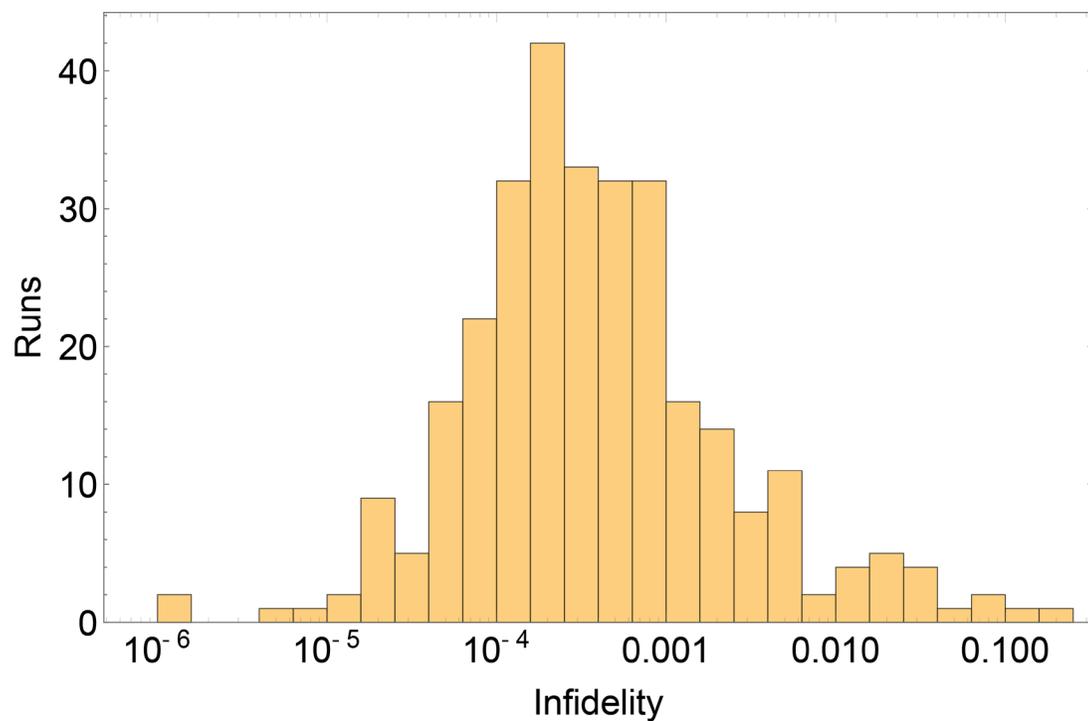
$$S_j = \frac{I_j - I_{bg}}{\sum (I_j - I_{bg})}$$

4. Adjust the phases in order to minimize

$$1 - F = 1 - \left( \sum \sqrt{S_j \tilde{S}_j} \right)^2$$

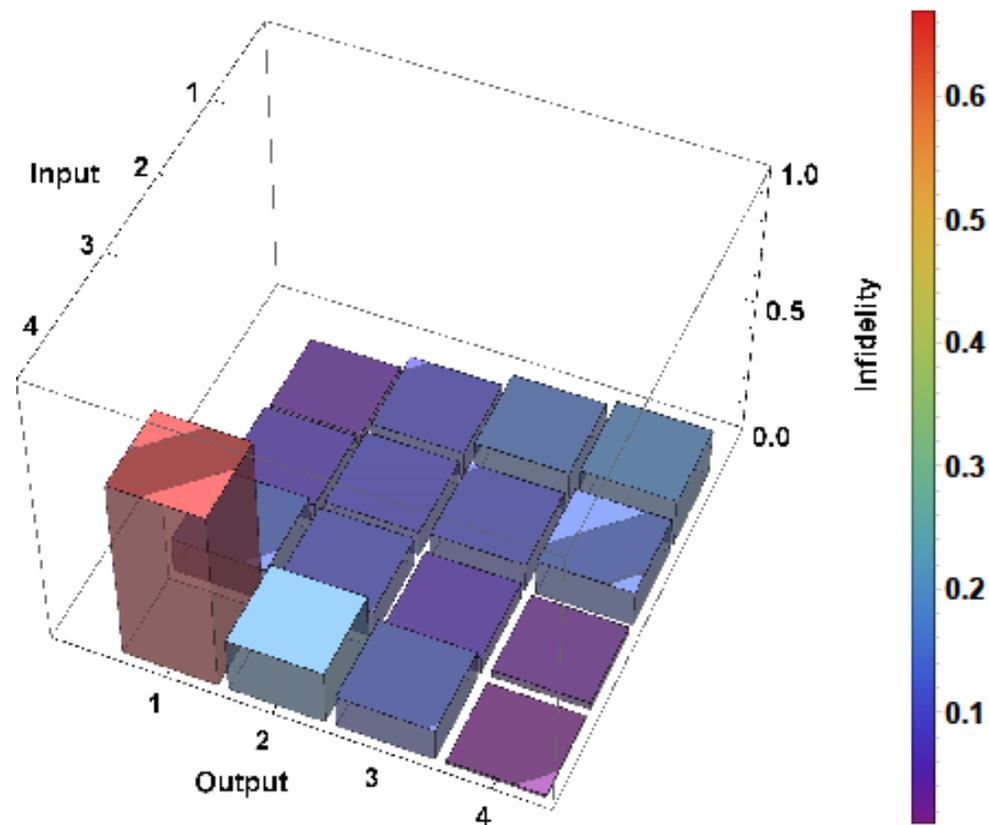
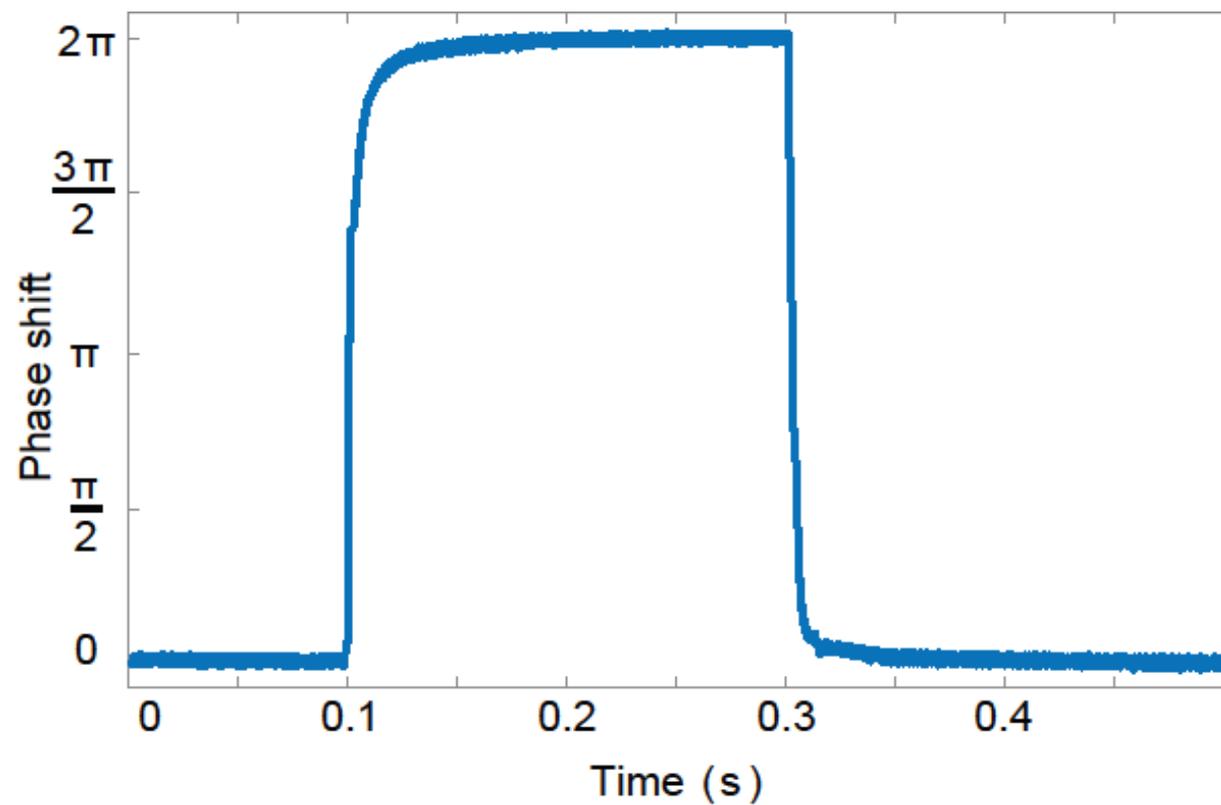


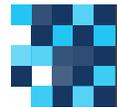
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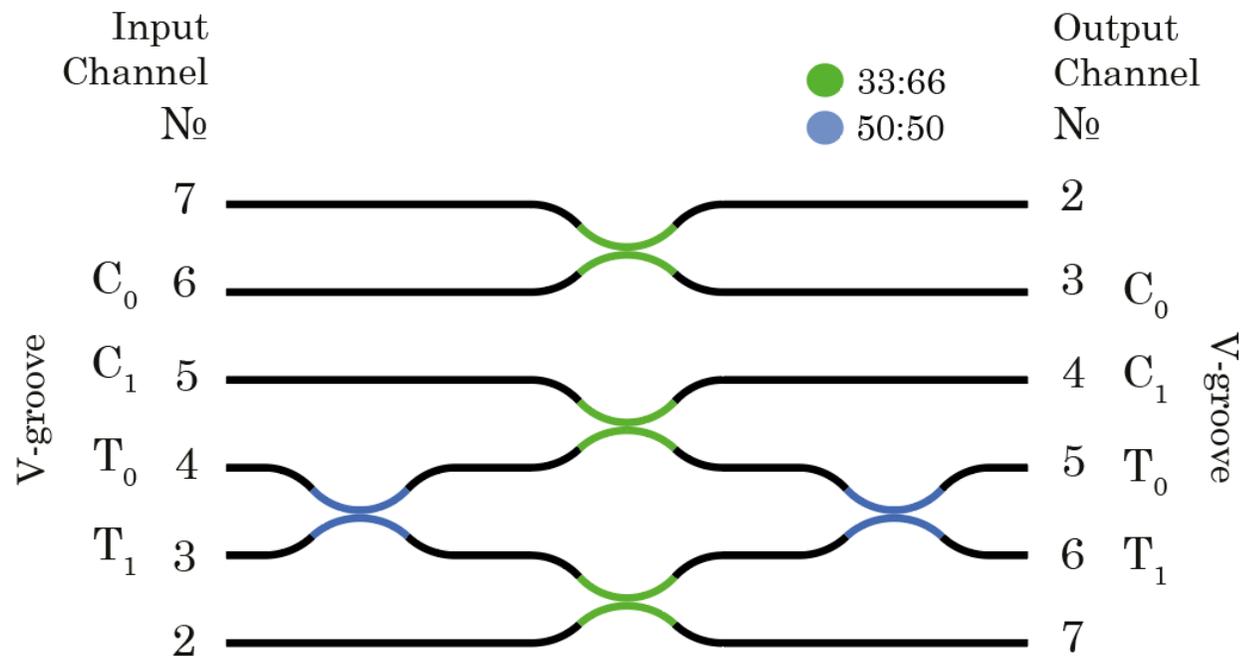
# Device tuning. Switching





# Two-qubit gate

	00	01	10	11
00	0.0033	0.1258	0	0
01	0.1102	0.03	0	0
10	0	0	0.1048	0.0201
11	0	0	0.0365	0.1042



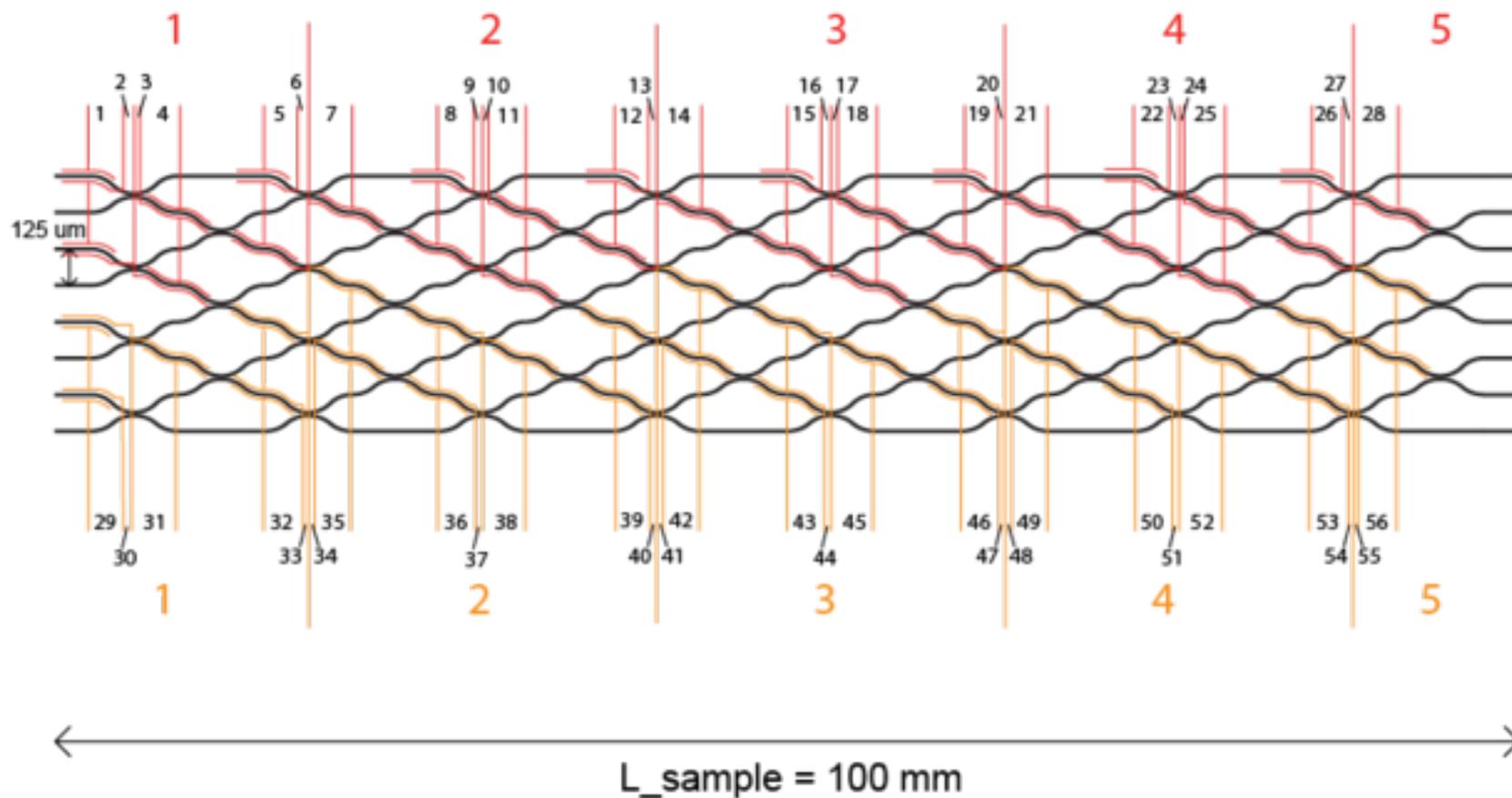
Truth table fidelity - 96%  
Unitary fidelity - 98%



# Current work

Error-tolerant v1  
Single 10 cm chip  
Electrode layout v1

$d_{\text{int}} = 6.34 \mu\text{m}$   
 $bs\_length = 6.161 \text{ mm}$   
 $R = 40 \text{ mm}$   
56 electrodes





# Summary

## Femtosecond laser writing:

- Propagation loss  $< 1$  dB/cm
- Thermo-optical switching time  $\approx 10$  ns
- Tens of heaters on a single chip

## Lithography:

- Low-loss SiN platform
- Low-loss coupling elements

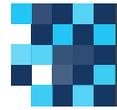
# **OPTICAL CIRCUITS. DESIGN**



# Unitary design

How to design the interferometer covering the whole unitary space?

How to design the unitary for a specific gate with maximal probability of successful operation?

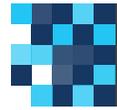


## The goal

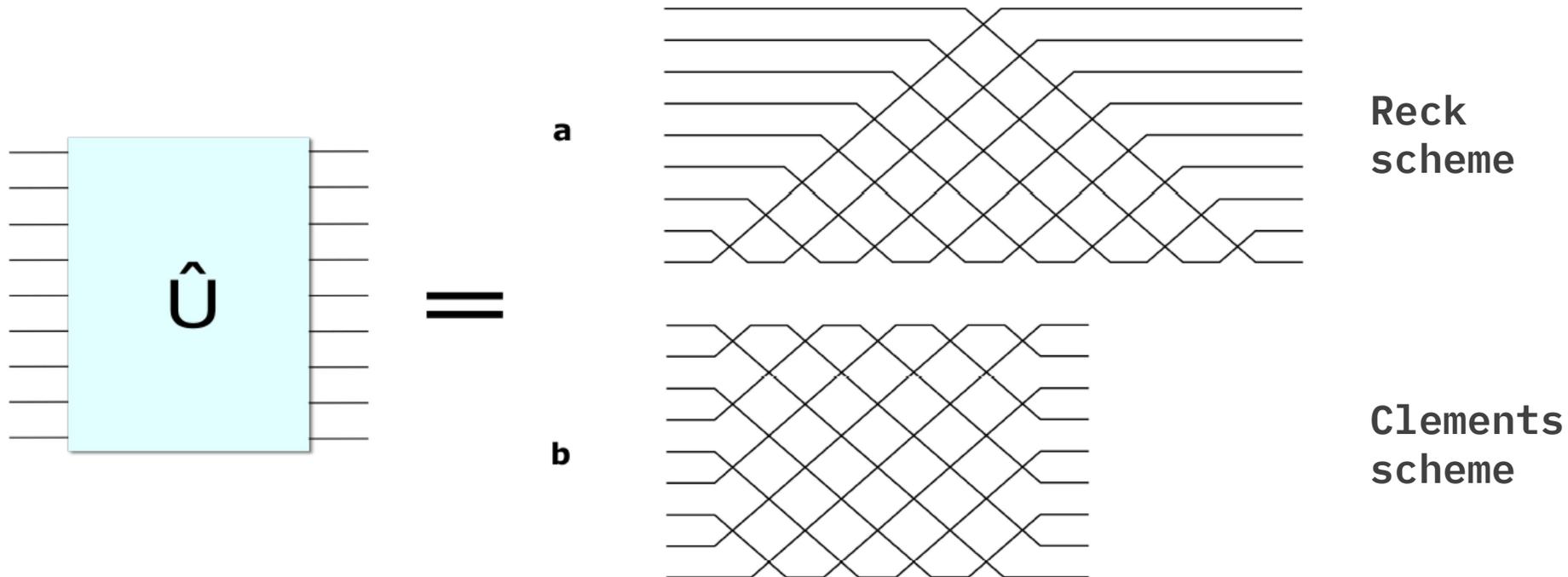
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Find architecture of the reconfigurable interferometer covering the whole unitary space and tolerating high fabrication errors

Such architecture may find application in tasks like VQE or QAOA when no particular gate set is required but the unitary space covering must be close to complete



# Map the unitary to the device

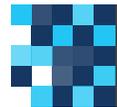


Reck  
scheme

Clements  
scheme

**c**  $T_{m,n}(\theta, \phi) =$    $=$  

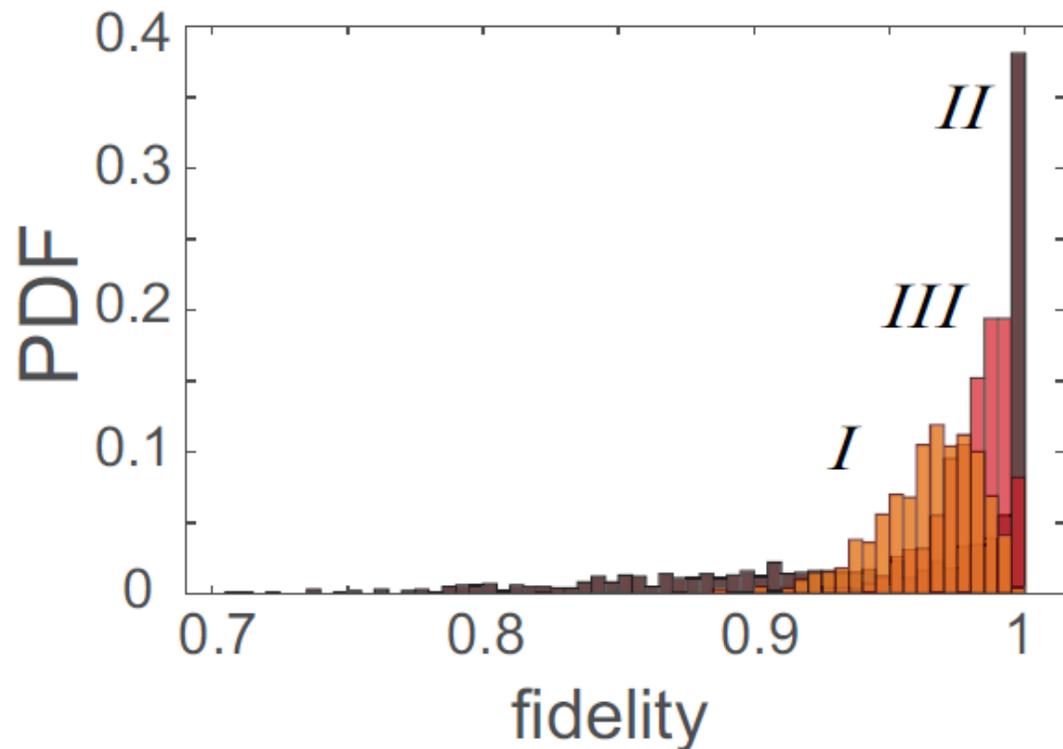
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# Beamsplitter imbalance

## Clements scheme

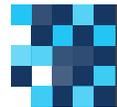
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I - the beamsplitters are all biased with a same randomly chosen angle from the  $[0, \pi/9]$  range.

II - the beamsplitters are independently biased by a random angle from the  $[0, \pi/9]$  degree range.

III - the beamsplitters are independently imbalanced by a random angle from  $[-\pi/9, \pi/9]$  degree range.

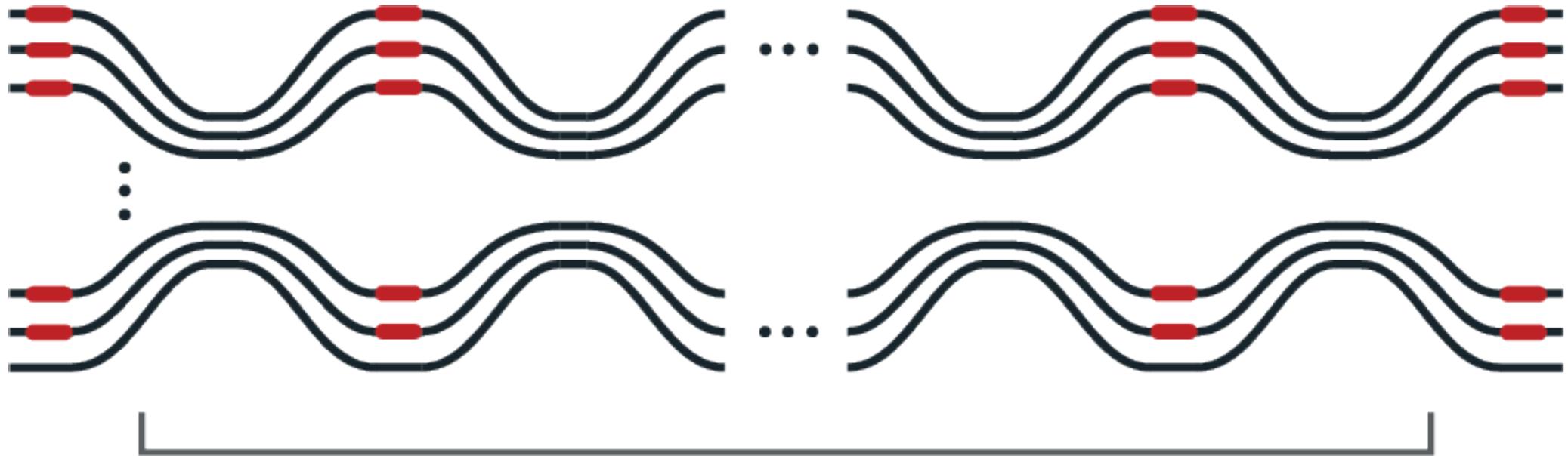


# Optimization

1. Haar random unitaries are generated using the QR-decomposition algorithm
2. The tested circuit parameters are fitted to match the resulting unitary of the circuit to the sampled one
3. The figure of merit  $F = \frac{1}{N^2} |\text{Tr}(UU_s)|^2$
4. The fidelity histogram evidences if the circuit is capable of reaching any given unitary with particular precision



# Multipoint interferometer



N beamsplitting layers

$\Lambda = \Phi^{(K+1)} V^{(K)} \Phi^{(K)} \dots V^{(1)} \Phi^{(1)}$  - unitary matrix of the interferometer



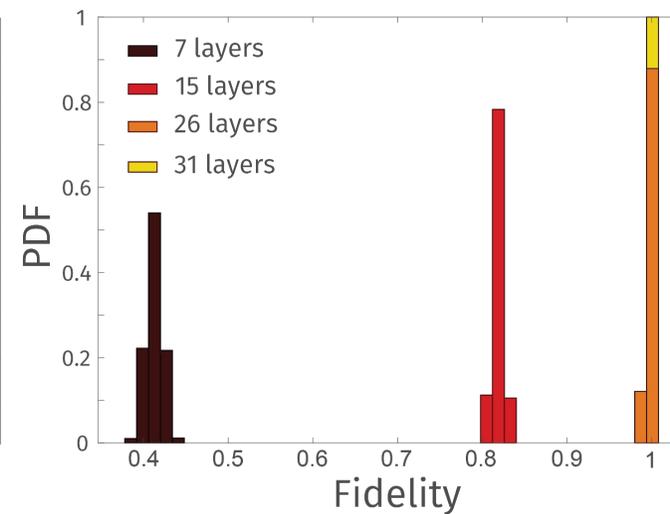
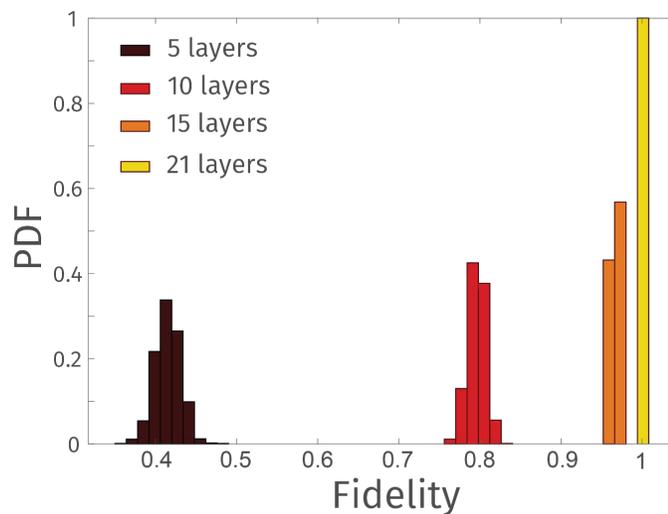
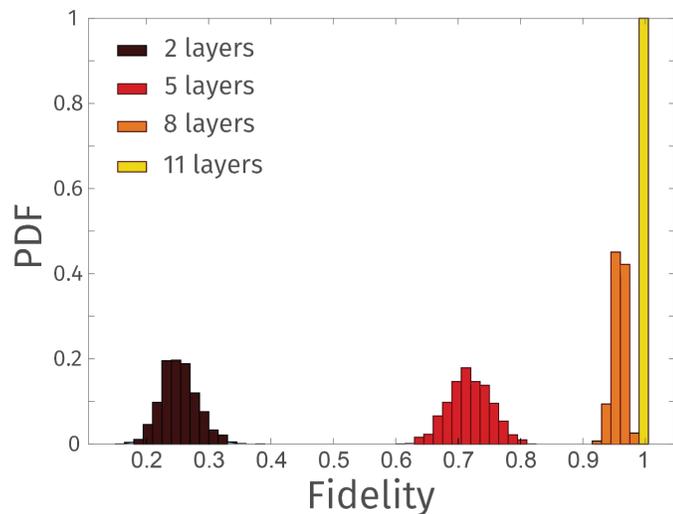
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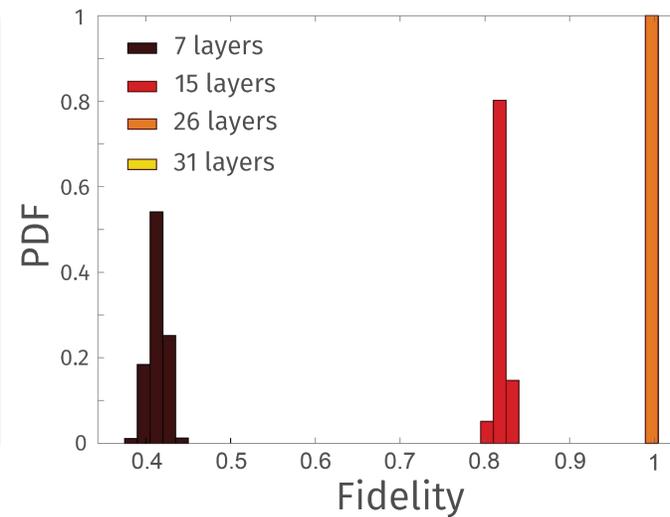
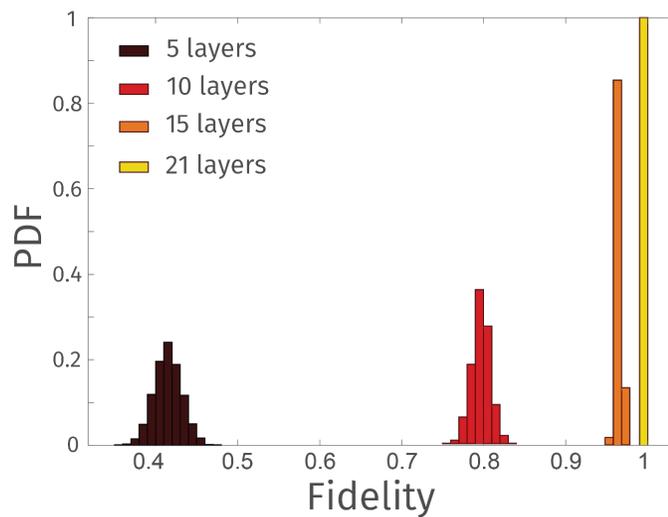
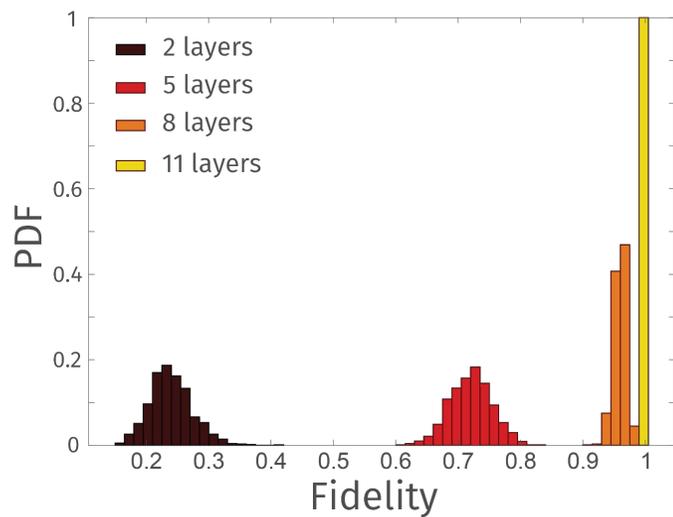
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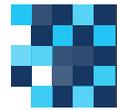
**N = 30**

**Fourier mixing  
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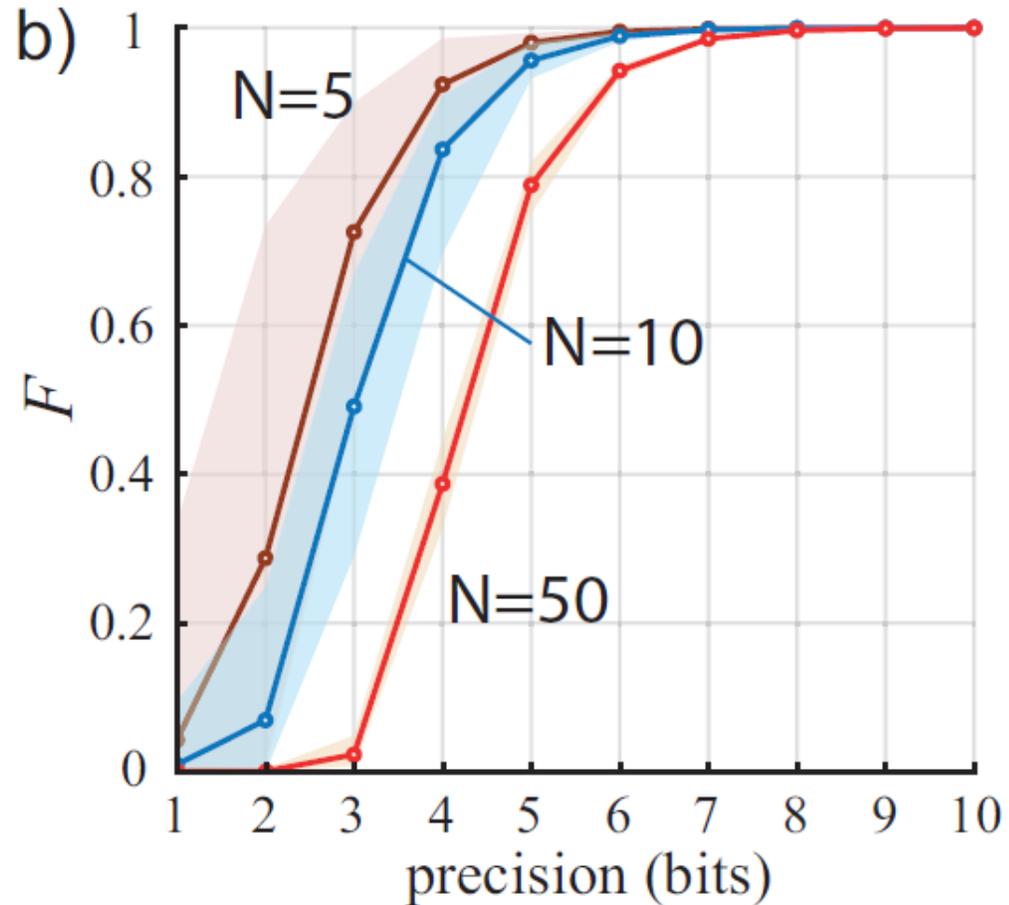
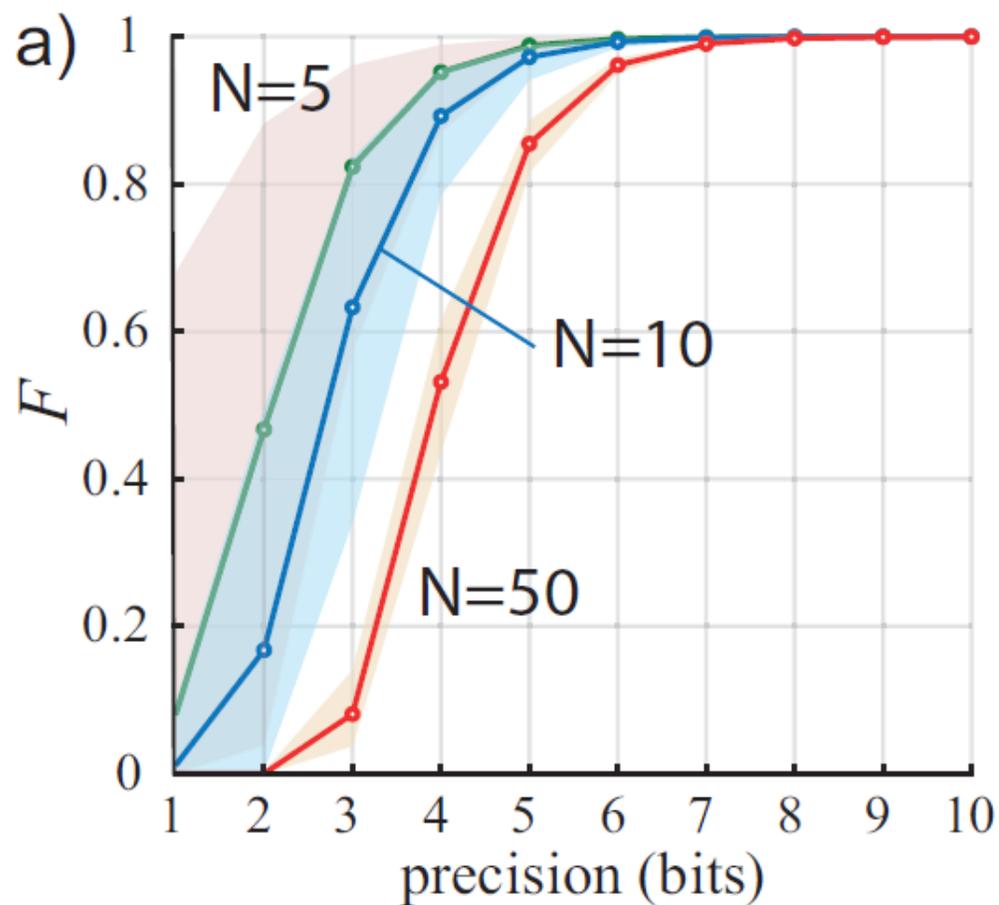


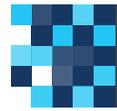
**Random mixing  
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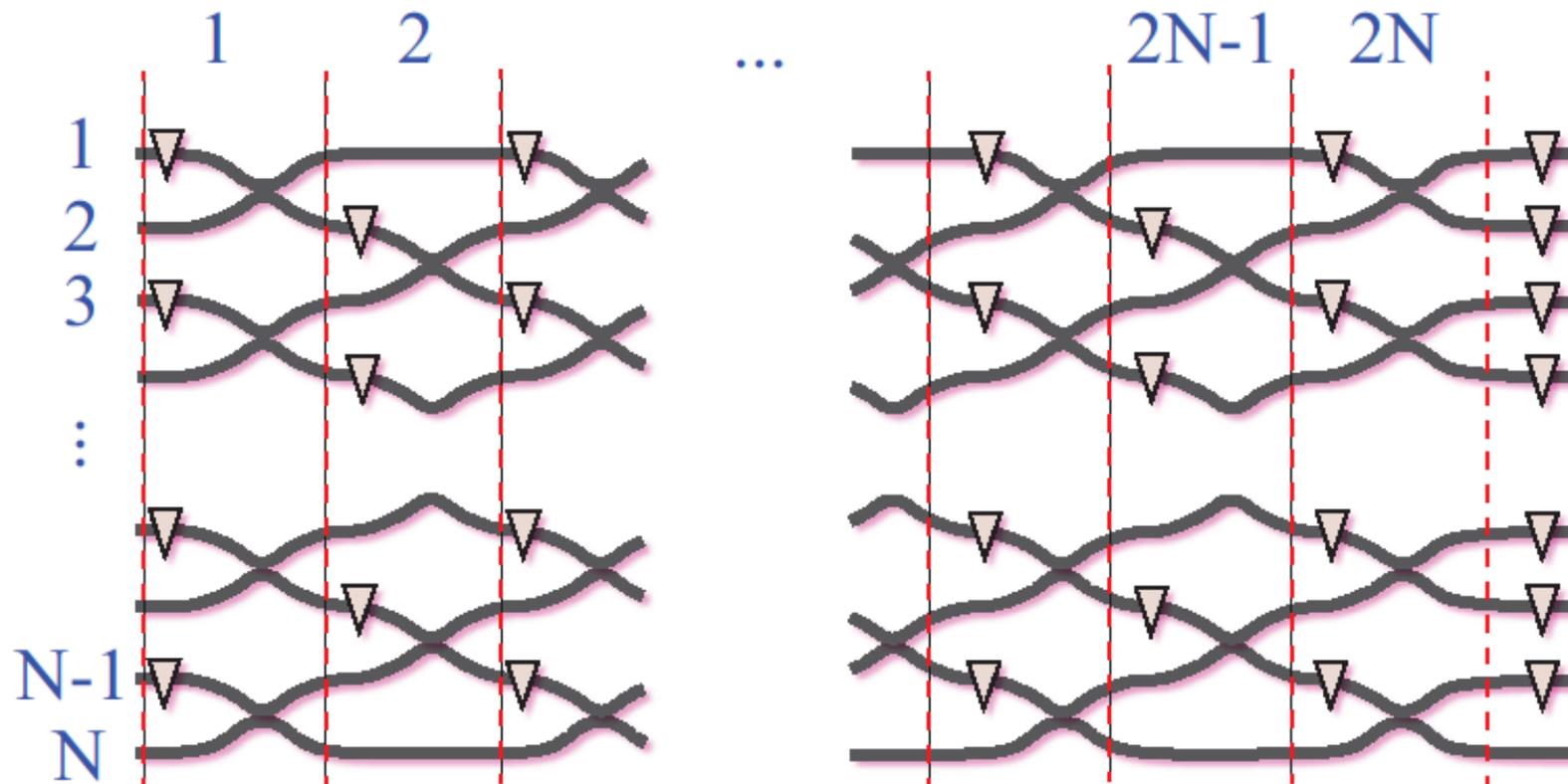


# Phase precision





# Beamsplitter mesh



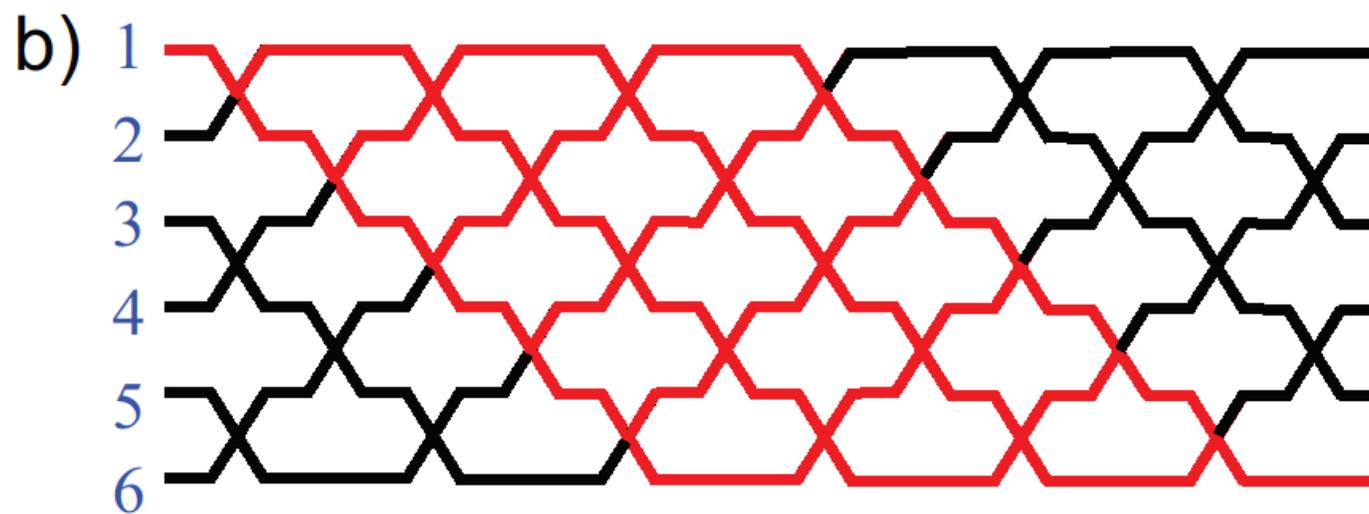
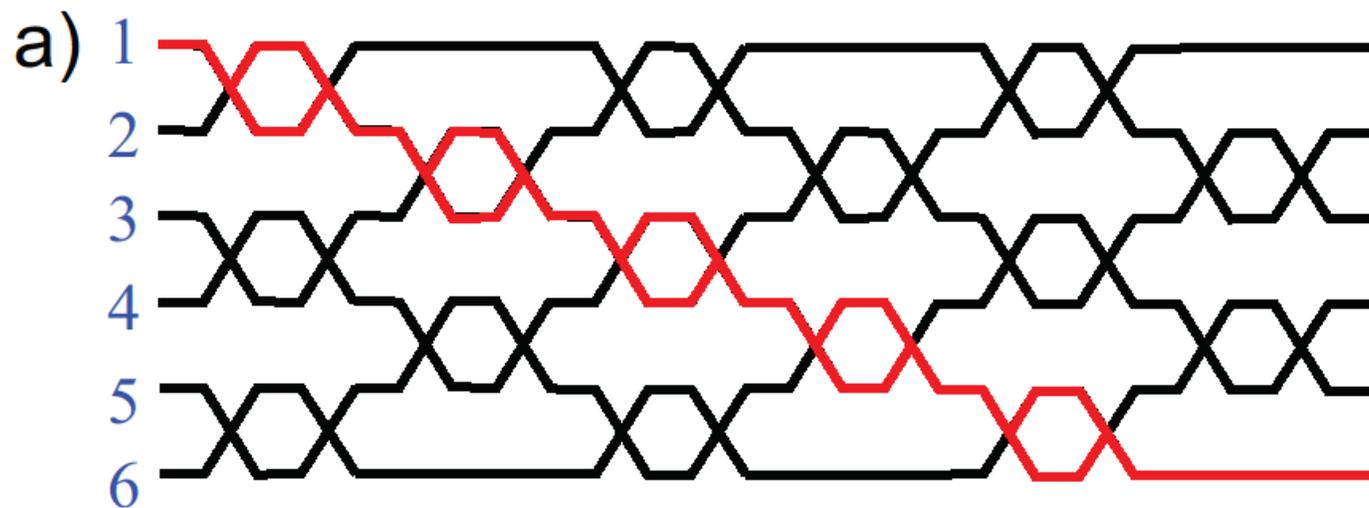
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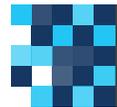


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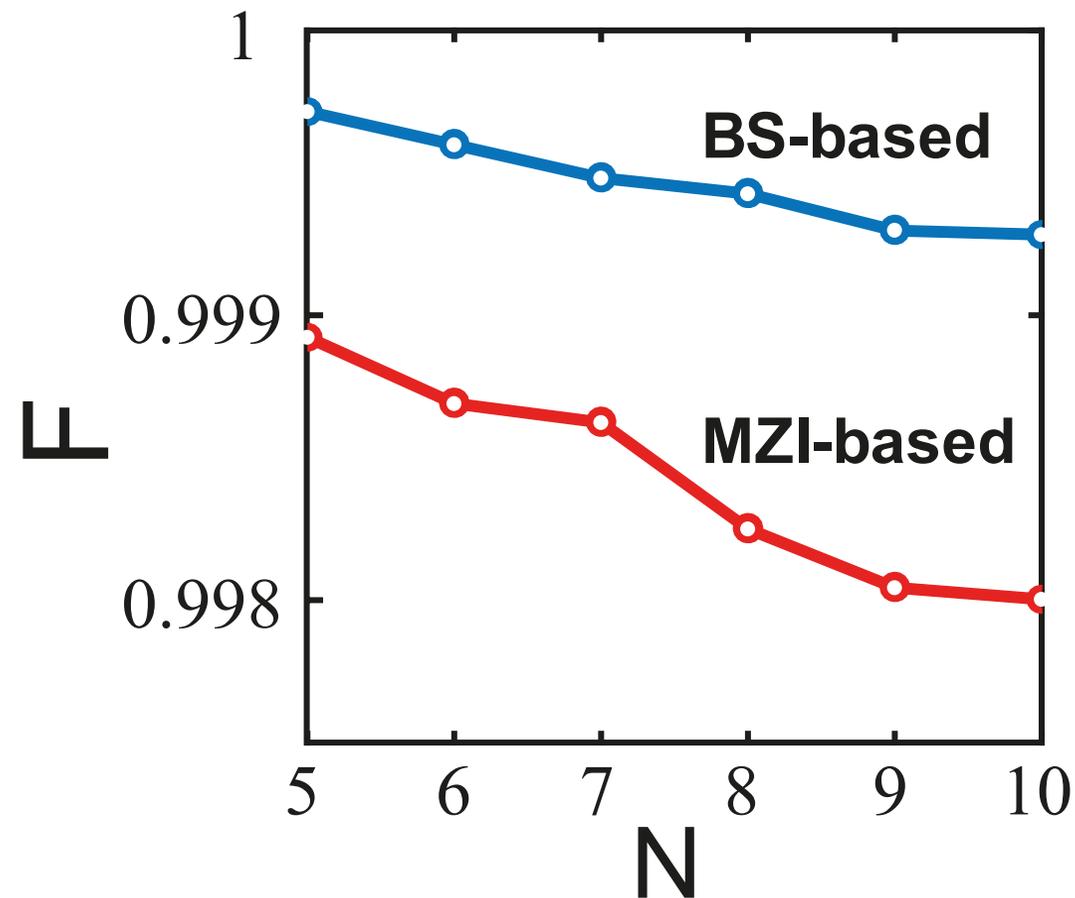
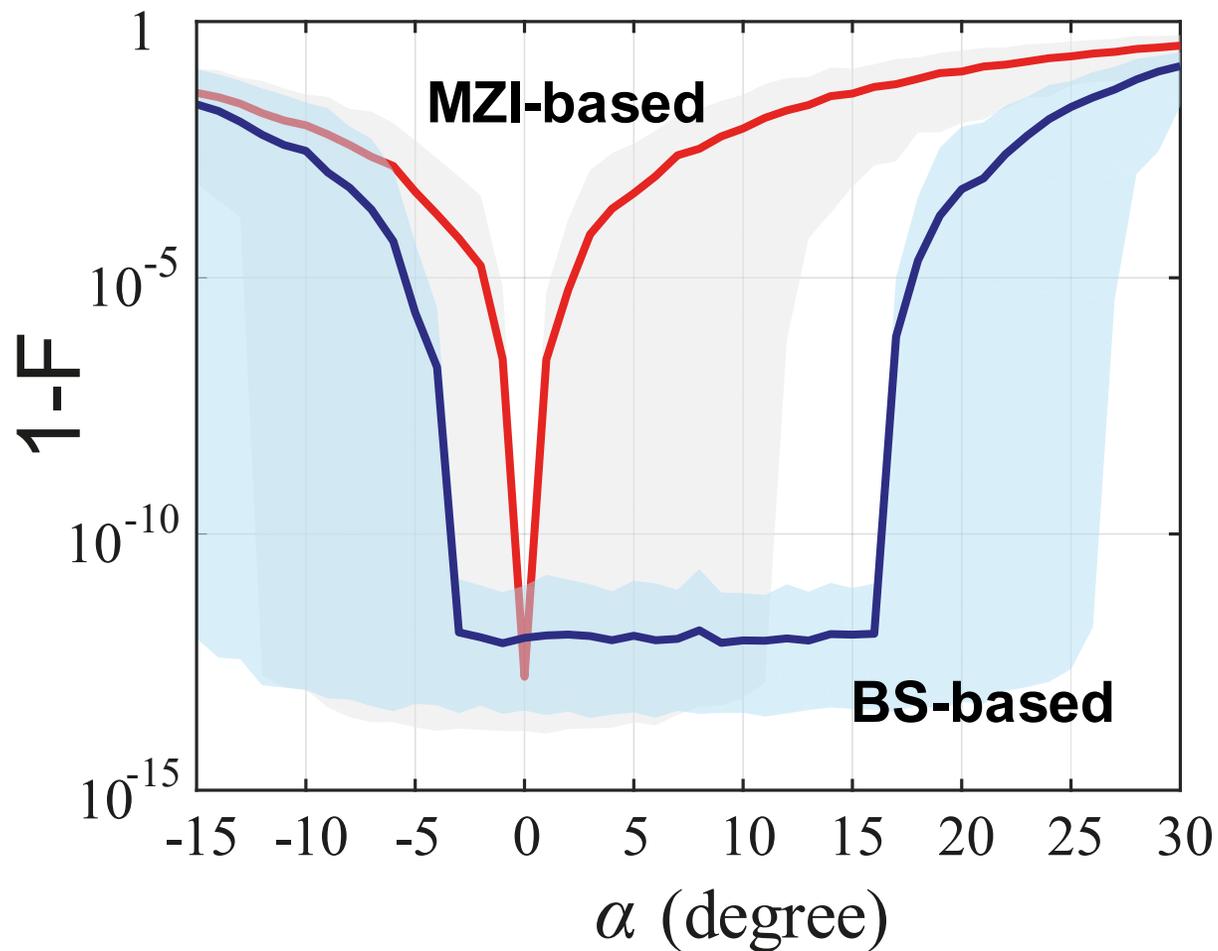


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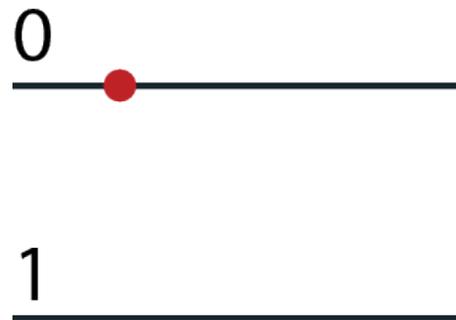
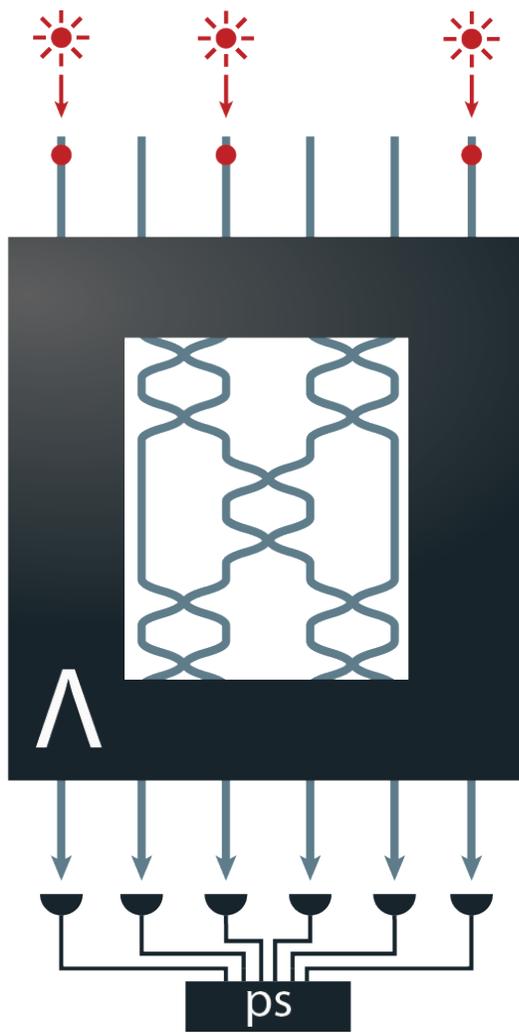
## Summary

We have developed circuit architectures prone for implementing random unitaries prone to reasonably high level of fabrication imperfection

# THEORY. GATE OPTIMIZATION



# Linear optical quantum computing

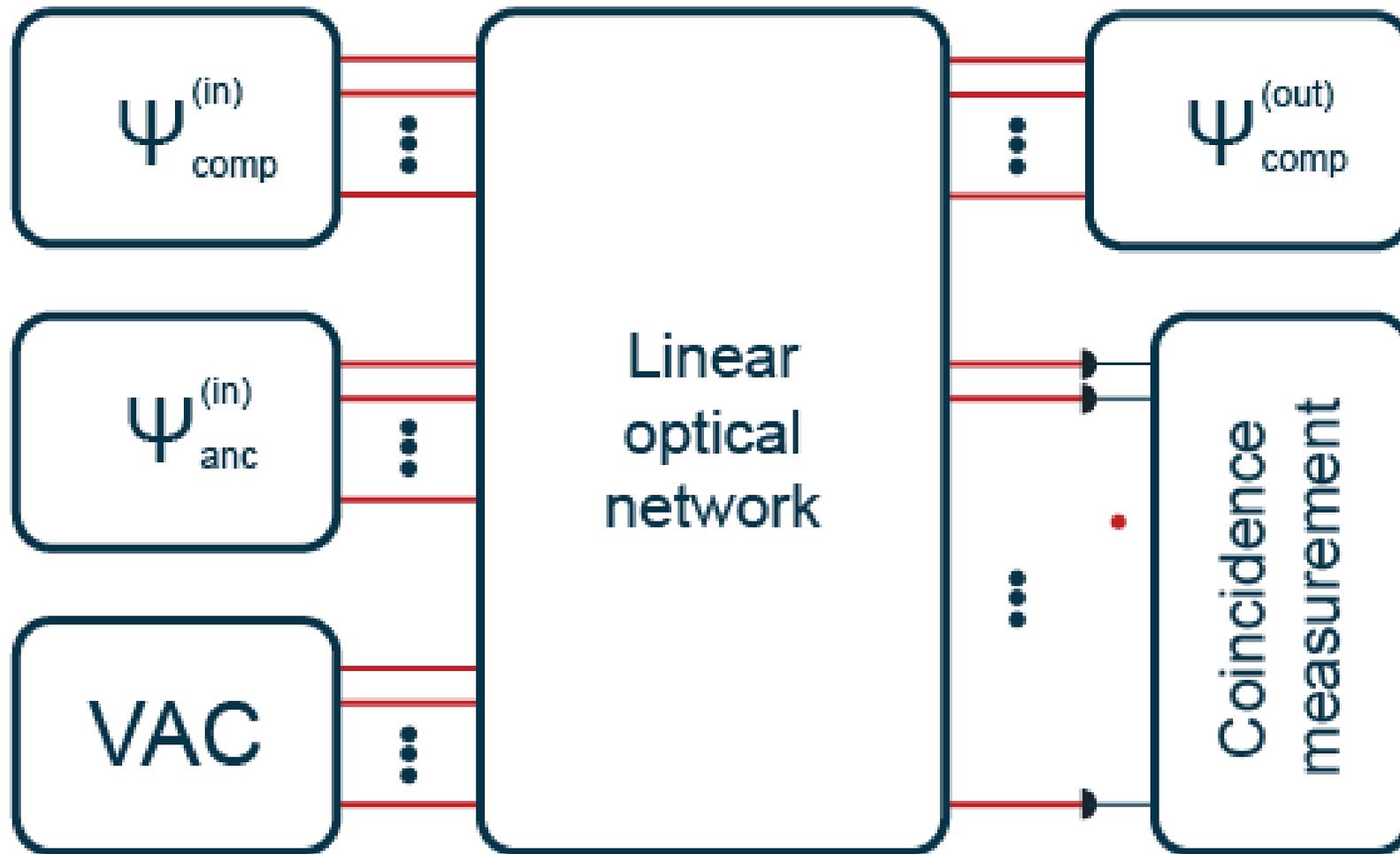


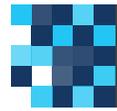
Dual-rail information encoding

The gate is implemented by a specific unitary transformation  $\Lambda$  with a success probability  $p < 1$ .



# Linear optical quantum computing





# Fock state transformation

The matrix  $\Lambda$  describes the mode transformation:

$$\hat{a}_j^{out\dagger} \rightarrow \Lambda_{ij} \hat{a}_j^{in\dagger}$$

where  $\Lambda$  is a  $M \times M$  unitary matrix,  $M = M_c + M_a + M_v$ .

The input state:

$$|\Psi^{in}\rangle = |n_1^c n_2^c \dots n_{M_c}^c\rangle |n_1^a n_2^a \dots n_{M_a}^a\rangle |vac\rangle.$$

The dimension of the system

$$\dim H_M^N = \binom{N + M - 1}{N},$$

where  $N = N_c + N_a$ .



# Fock state transformation

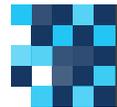
The output state:

$$|\Psi^{out}\rangle = \Omega(\Lambda)|\Psi^{in}\rangle = \prod_{i=1}^M \frac{1}{\sqrt{n_i!}} \left( \sum_{j=1}^M \Lambda_{ij} \hat{a}_j^\dagger \right)^{n_i}.$$

The state of the computational subsystem after the photocounting measurement applied to  $M - M_c$  ancilla and vacuum modes:

$$A(\Lambda)|\Psi^{in}\rangle = \langle k_{M_c+1}, k_{M_c+2}, \dots, k_M | \Omega(\Lambda) |\Psi^{in}\rangle,$$
$$|\Psi_c^{out}\rangle = \frac{A|\Psi^{in}\rangle}{\|A|\Psi^{in}\rangle\|}.$$

The operator  $A$  contains all the information about the gate or the state of the computational subsystem on the output.



# Polynomial equations

The output state is represented by a polynomial in the creation operators:

$$|\Psi^{out}\rangle = F(\hat{a}_1^\dagger, \hat{a}_2^\dagger, \dots, \hat{a}_M^\dagger)|vac\rangle = \prod_{i=1}^M \frac{1}{\sqrt{n_i!}} \left( \sum_{j=1}^M \Lambda_{ij} \hat{a}_j^\dagger \right)^{n_i} .$$

The ancilla state is a monomial:

$$|\Psi^{anc}\rangle = |k_{M_c+1}, k_{M_c+2}, \dots, k_{M_c+M_a}\rangle = \prod_{i=M_c+1}^{M_c+M_a} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n_i!}} \hat{a}_j^\dagger{}^{n_i} .$$

The heralded state  $|\Psi^{her}\rangle = \langle\Psi^{anc}|\Psi^{out}\rangle$  is again a polynomial:

$$|\Psi^{out}\rangle = G(\hat{a}_1^\dagger, \hat{a}_2^\dagger, \dots, \hat{a}_{M_c}^\dagger)|vac\rangle .$$

The target state:

$$|\Psi^{tar}\rangle = Q(\hat{a}_1^\dagger, \hat{a}_2^\dagger, \dots, \hat{a}_{M_c}^\dagger)|vac\rangle$$



## State generation

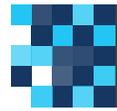
The problem target state generation with probability  $|\alpha|^2$  is equivalent to a polynomial equation

$$G = \alpha Q,$$

which in turn is a system of polynomial equations

$$\begin{cases} poly_1(\Lambda_{11}, \Lambda_{12}, \dots, \Lambda_{NN}, \alpha) = 0, \\ \dots \\ poly_K(\Lambda_{11}, \Lambda_{12}, \dots, \Lambda_{NN}, \alpha) = 0. \end{cases}$$

Solution can be found using Groebner basis, which can be computed by the Buchberger algorithm - **EXSPACE** complexity.



# Optimization approach

Construct a cost function, including the success probability and fidelity and minimize it.

## Target state

Example:

$$f = - \sum_{\{\Psi^{anc}\}} P(\Psi^{anc}, \Lambda) \sum_{\{\Psi^{tar}\}} |\langle \Psi^{tar} | \Psi^{anc} \rangle|^{10}$$

Two-qubit Bell states (written in the Fock basis):

$$\Psi_{1,2}^{tar} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|1010\rangle \pm |0101\rangle)$$

$$\Psi_{3,4}^{tar} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|1001\rangle \pm |0110\rangle)$$

$$\Psi_{5,6}^{tar} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|1100\rangle \pm |0011\rangle)$$

## Target gate

Find  $\hat{A} = \alpha \hat{A}^{tar}$ , where  $|\alpha|^2$  - gate success probability.

Hilbert-Schmidt distance (or any other distance measure in the unitary space):

$$F(\Lambda) = \frac{\langle \hat{A} | \hat{A}^{tar} \rangle \langle \hat{A}^{tar} | \hat{A} \rangle}{\langle \hat{A} | \hat{A} \rangle \langle \hat{A}^{tar} | \hat{A}^{tar} \rangle},$$

where  $\langle \hat{A} | \hat{A}^{tar} \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \text{Tr}(\hat{A}^\dagger \hat{A}^{tar})$ .



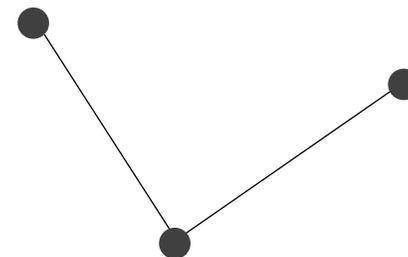
# 3-GHZ state generation

Three-qubit GHZ states:

$$\Psi_{1,2,3}^{tar} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|111\rangle \pm |000\rangle)$$

Three-qubit GHZ states (written in the **Fock basis**):

$$\Psi_{1,2,3}^{tar} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|101010\rangle \pm |010101\rangle)$$

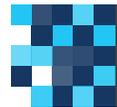


Basic building block in ballistic QC model

## The known results

6-photon 10-mode without feedforward -  $P = 1/256$

6-photon 10-mode **with** feedforward -  $P = 1/32$



# Optimization procedure

The main optimization problem:

$$U = \operatorname{argmax}_U \sum_{t,a} P_a(U) M_{t,a}^p$$

$$P_a(U) = \sum_m |\langle m, a | \Omega(U) | \psi_{in} \rangle|^2$$

$$M_{t,a} = P_a^{-1} |\langle t, a | \Omega(U) | \psi_{in} \rangle|^2$$

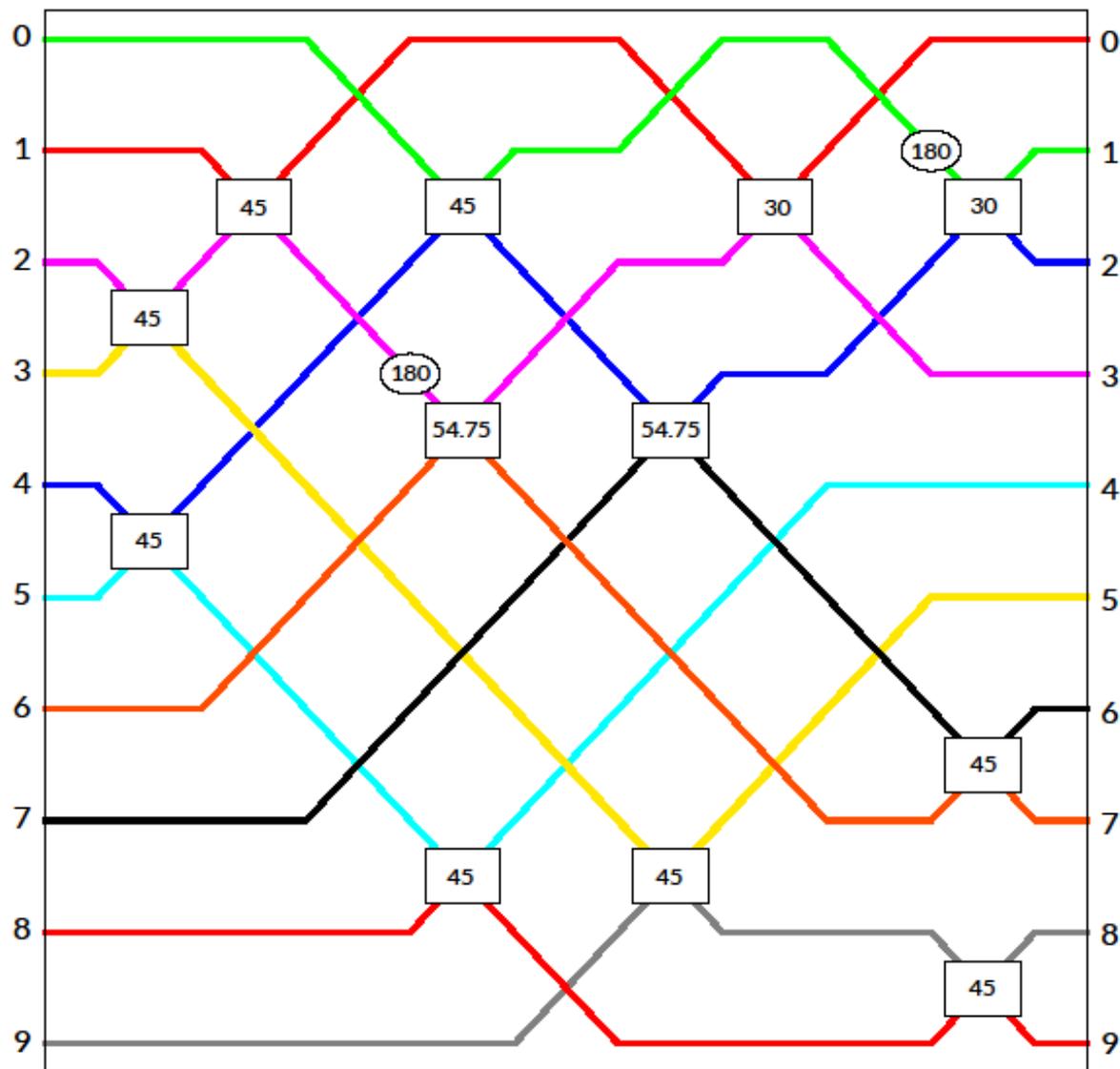
The auxiliary optimization problem:

$$\min S(U)$$

$$S(U) = \sum_i \{(1 - \cos[4\theta_i]) + \varepsilon(1 - \cos[2\varphi_i])\} + \delta \sum_i |D_i - 1|^2$$

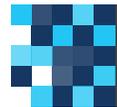


# Result

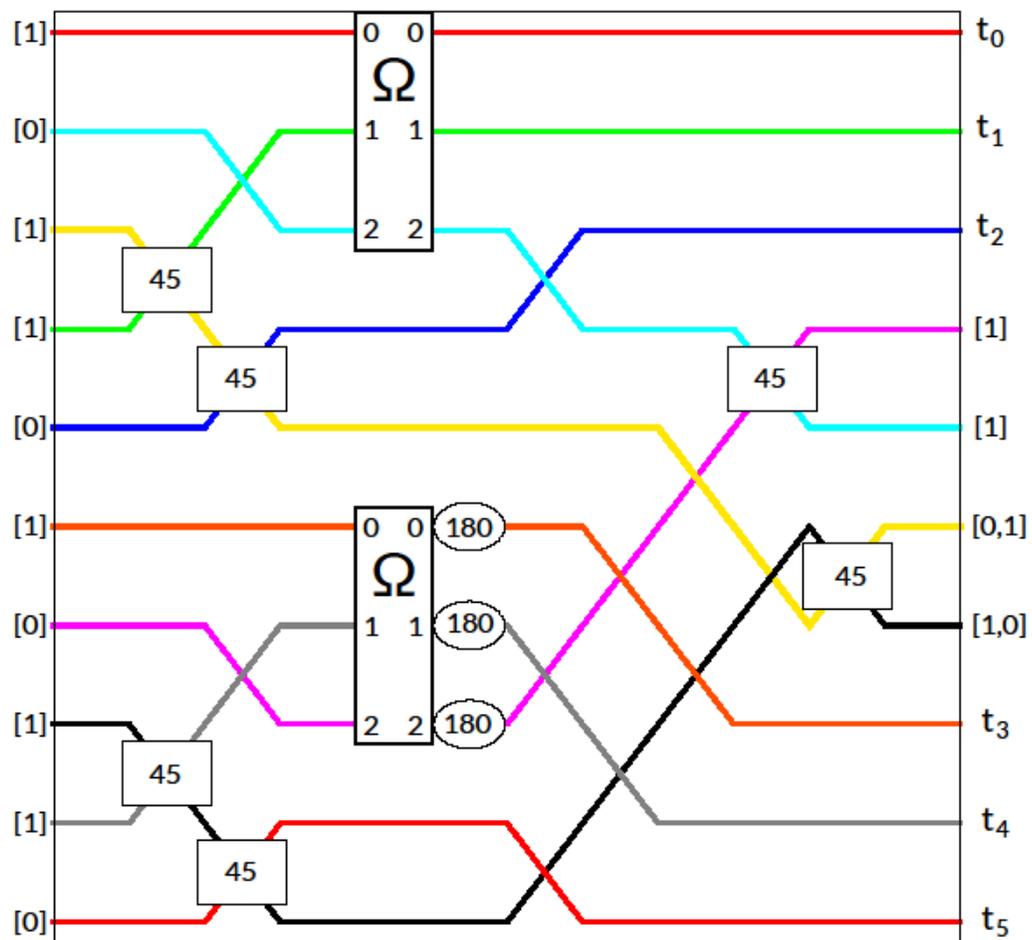


Success probability:

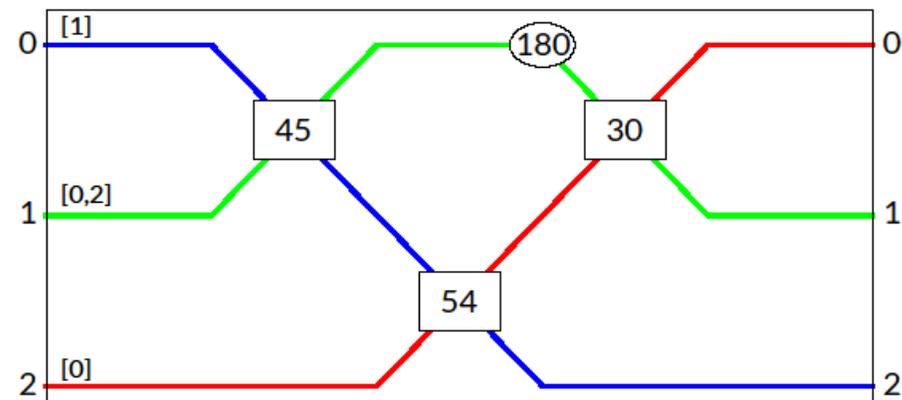
$$P = 1/54$$



# Result



$\Omega$  block circuit:



Success probability:

$$P = 1/54$$



# Linear optics simulation

The software package for numerical calculation of the linear optical transformation.



[Github link](#)

- Core classes are written in C++
- The code for permanent computation is optimized down to the CPU architecture (permanents up to 35x35 are easily calculated on the laptop)
- Seamless Python wrapper



Thank you for  
attention!

