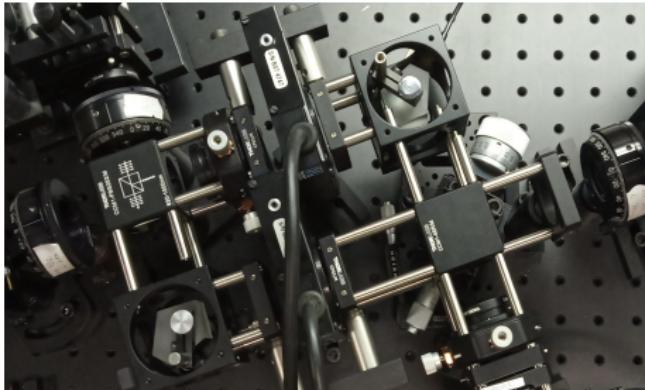


# Interferometers in the service of quantum information processing

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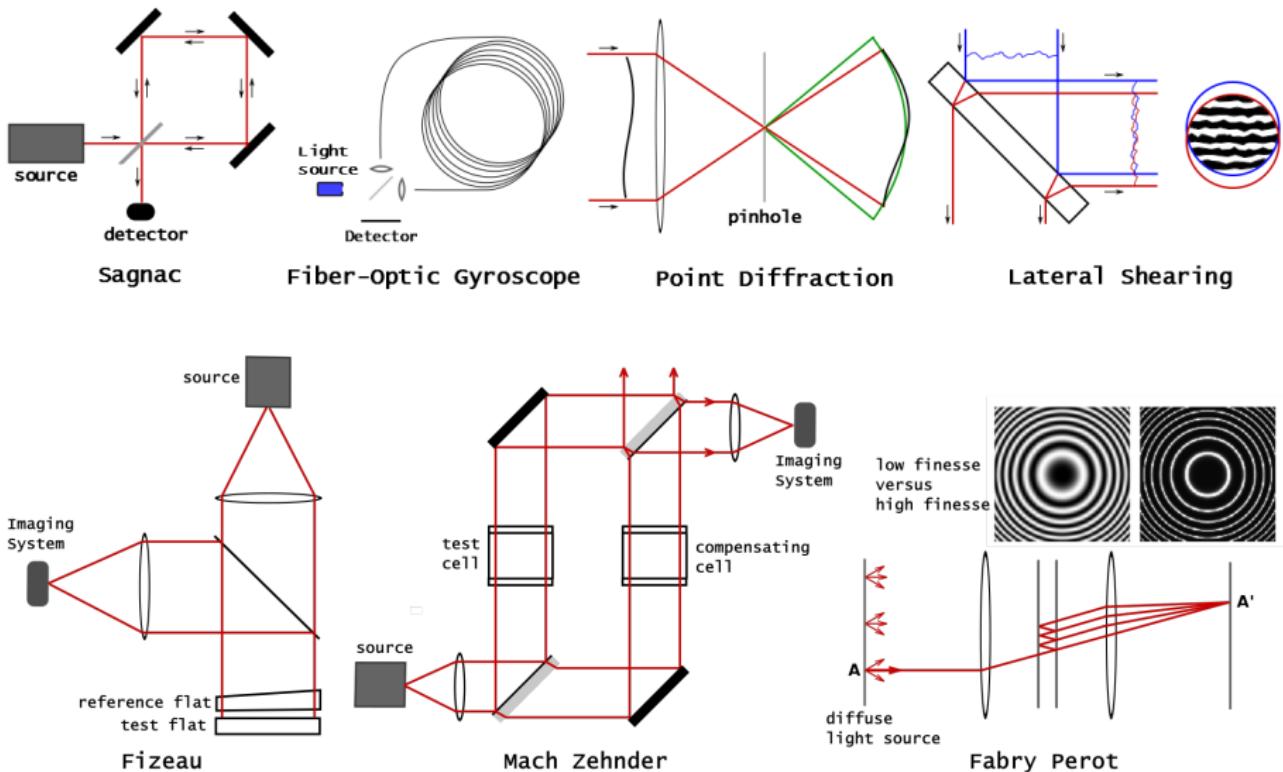
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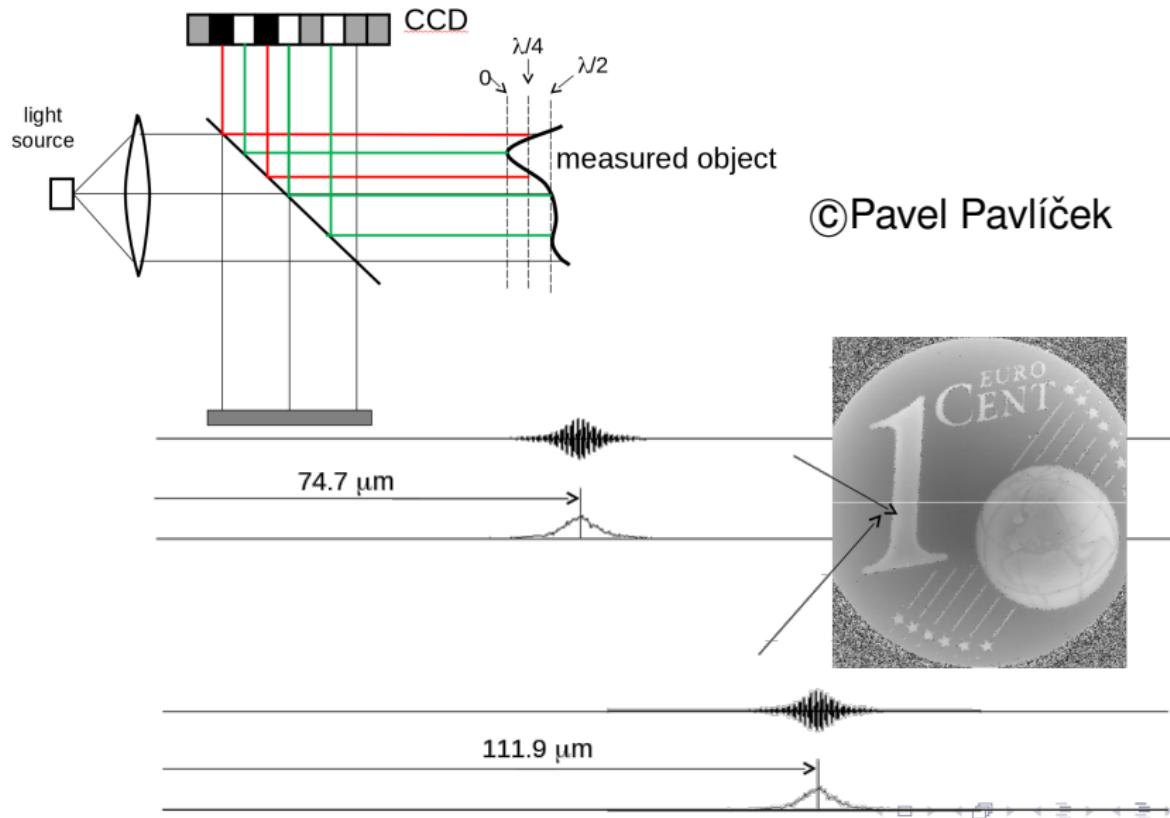
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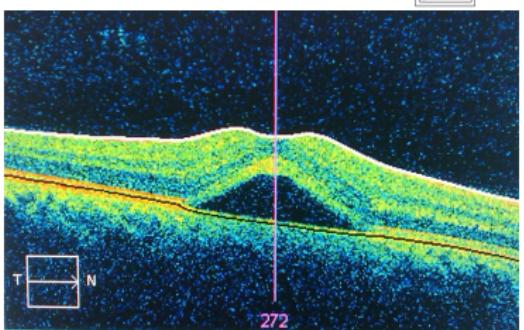
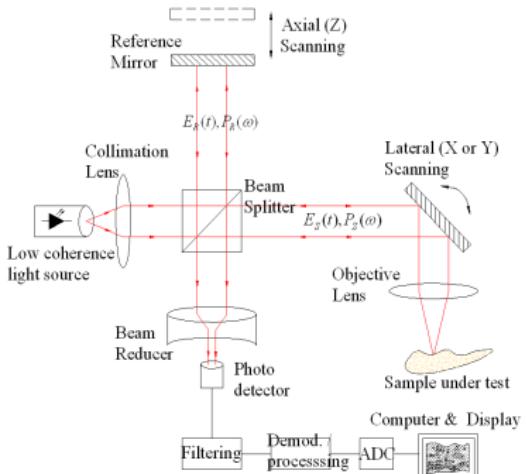
# Plenty of possible constructions



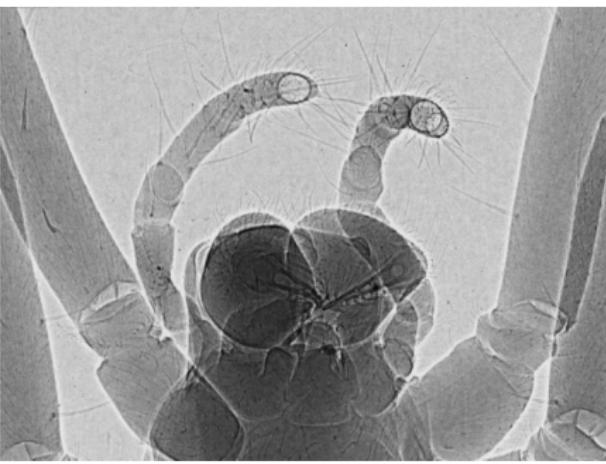
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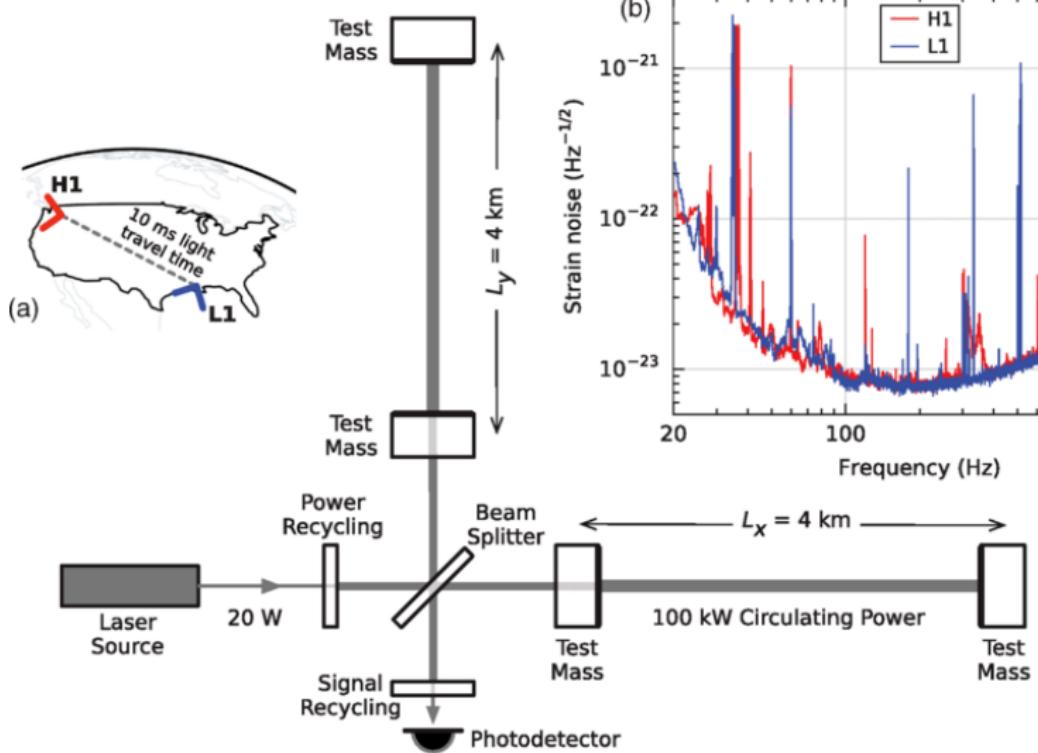
# Microscopy



- Optical coherence tomography
- Phase contrast
- Differential interference contrast
- Angle-resolved low-coherence interferometry



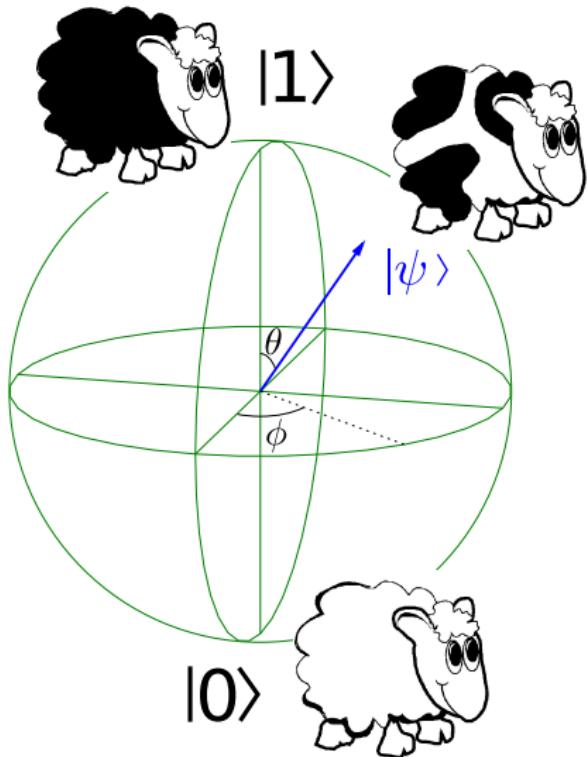
# Gravity wave detection



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# Quantum information



Base states

$$|0\rangle \quad |1\rangle$$

Superposition principle

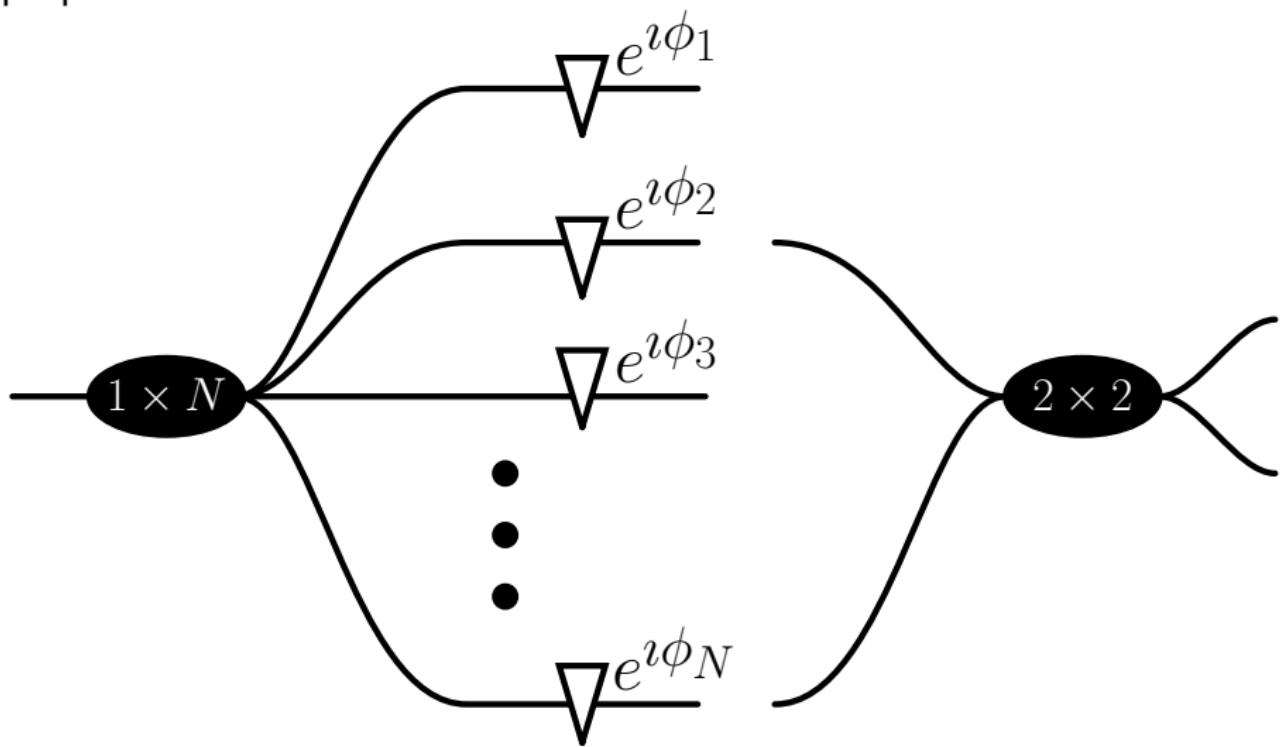
$$|\psi\rangle = \sin \theta |0\rangle + e^{i\phi} \cos \theta |1\rangle$$

- 1 qubit =  $\infty$  classical bits
- projective measurement → probabilistic outcome
- entanglement

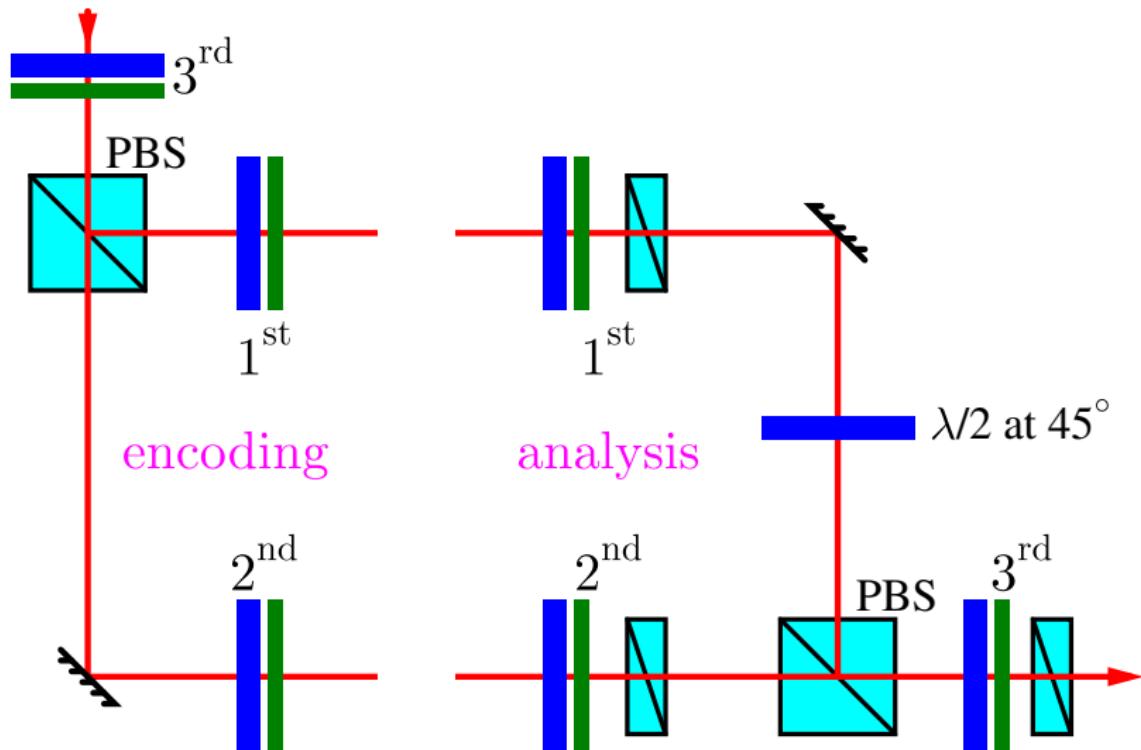
# Path encoding

preparation of  $N$ -dimensional state

measurement



# Dense coding – 3 qubits by 1 photon



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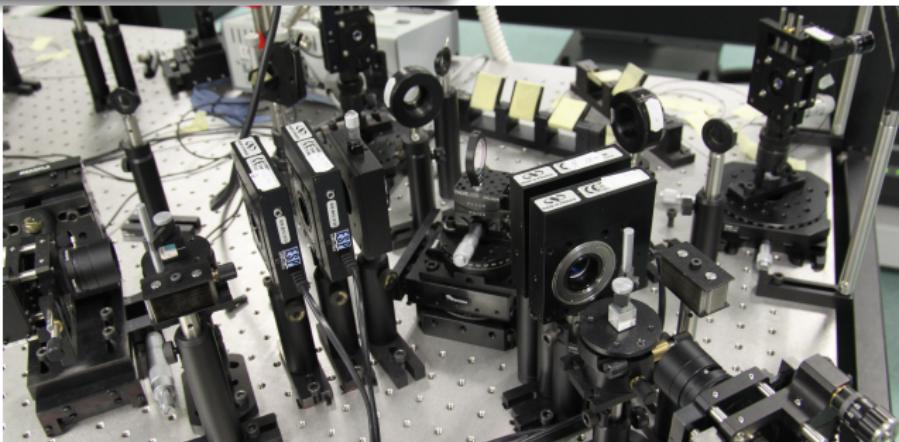
# Bulk optics

## Positives

- optical components from broad range of applications
- complex setups can be designed
- recycling of setups

## Negatives

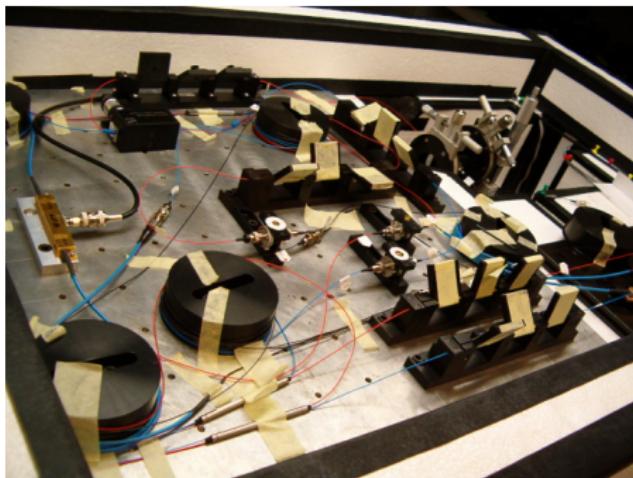
- large space
- beware of dust
- less stable



# Fiber optics

## Positives

- special components (VRC)
- perfect overlap of spatial modes



## Negatives

- bigger losses (phase shift)
- polarization not under control
- fixed length of fibers, AG needed
- more sensitive to temperature fluctuations
- new components optimized for 1 550 nm

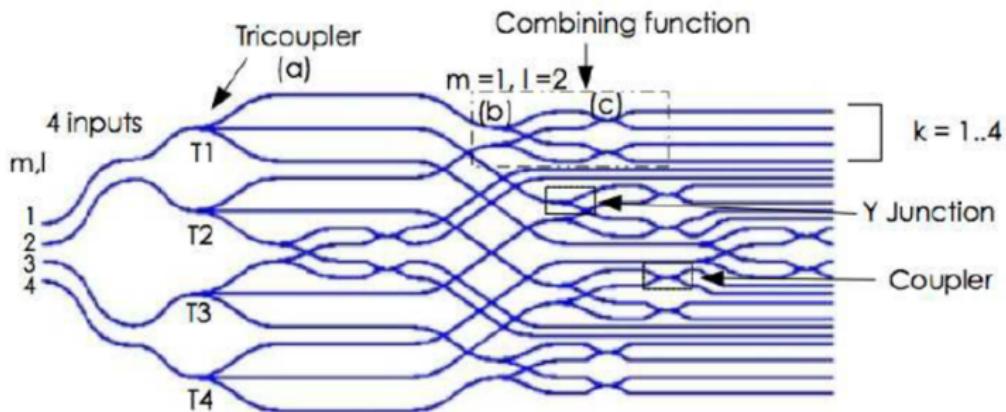
# Integrated optics

## Positives

- compact stable construction
- complex setup can be designed

## Negatives

- coupling losses
- fixed components
- expensive fabrication



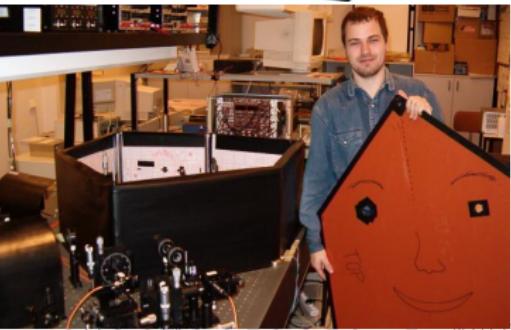
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# Passive stabilization

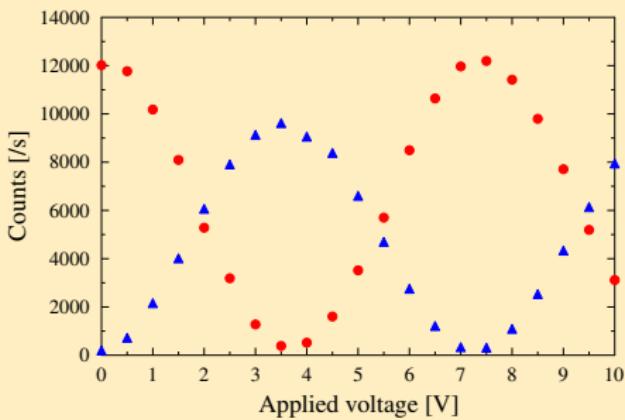
- building far from any roads
- laboratory in basement, isolated floor
- air condition with temperature stability and homogeneous air flow
- optical table with vibration damping
- enclosure box, polystyrene, paper or prefabricated
- isolate all possible source of vibrations and temperature gradients
- computer control of the experiment



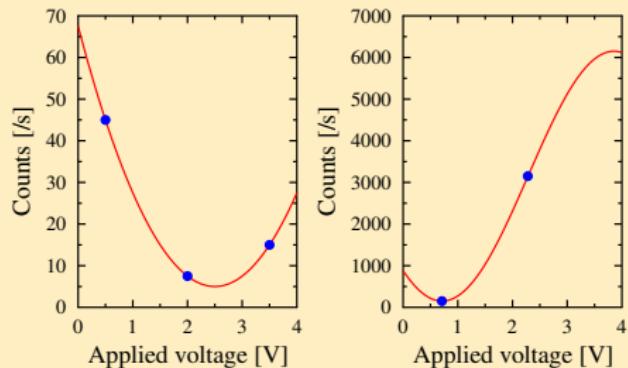
# Active stabilization

- perform measurement of phase shift in time
- find the time interval, for which the phase is stable
- perform procedure for active stabilization periodically

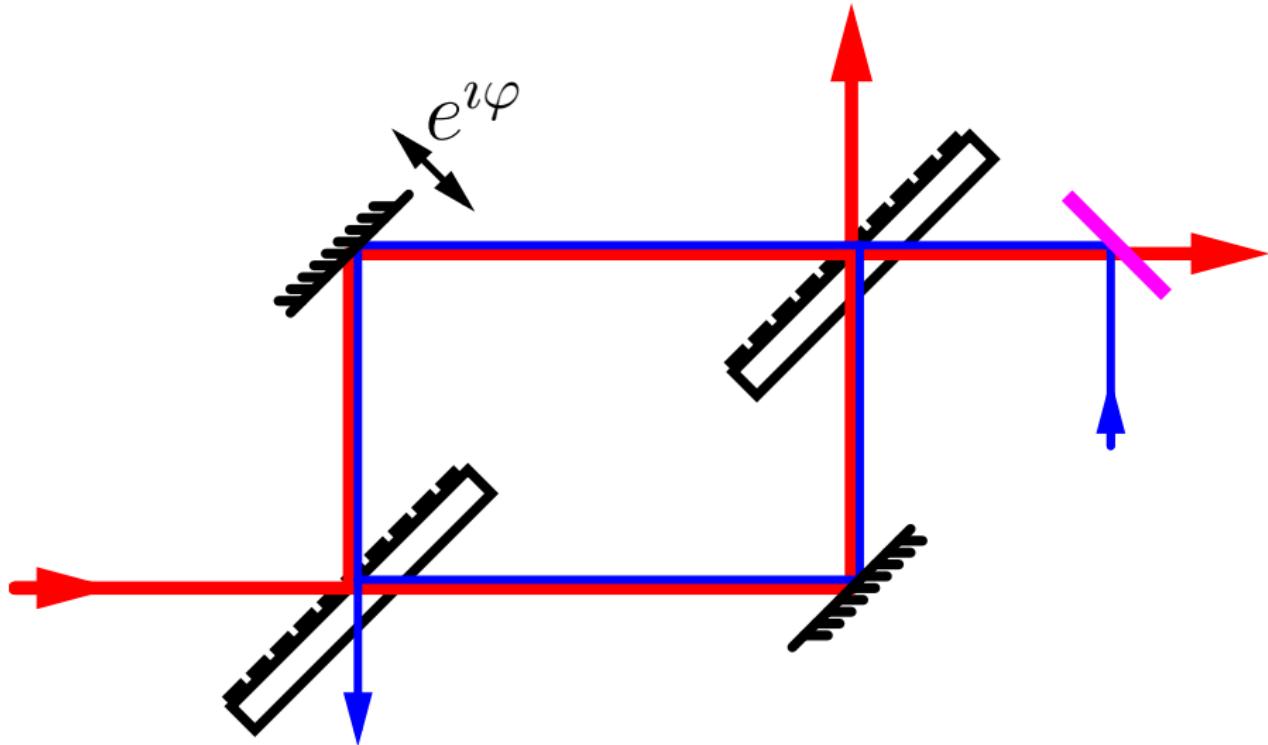
Raw (long) stabilization



Fine (short) stabilization



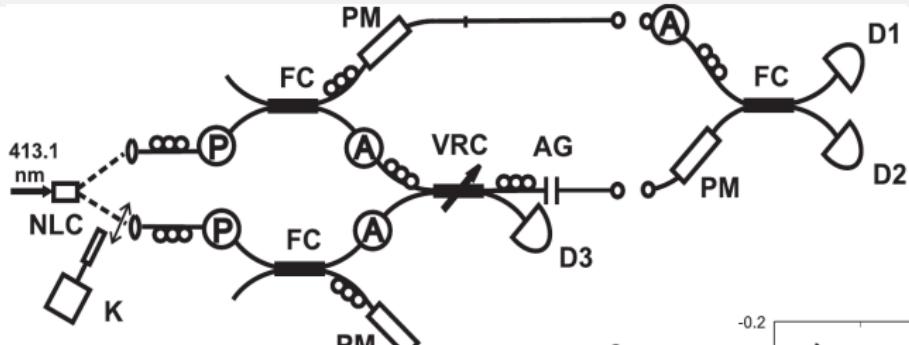
# Instant active stabilization



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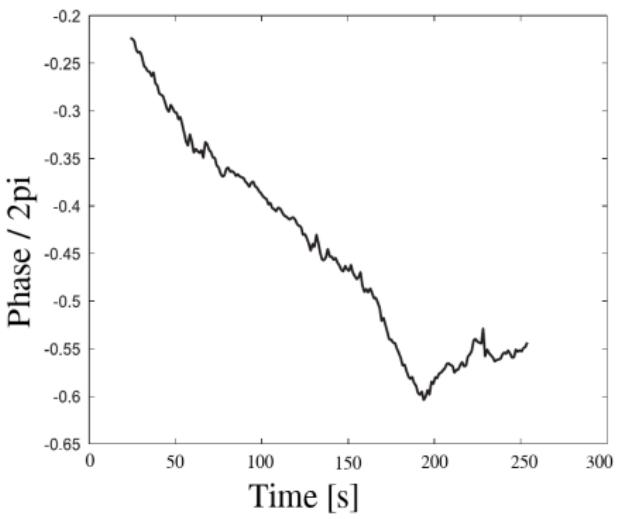
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# Fiber interferometer for qutrit encoding

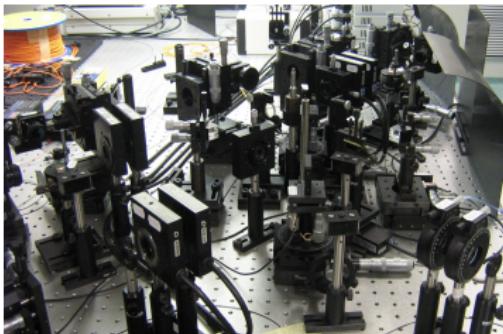
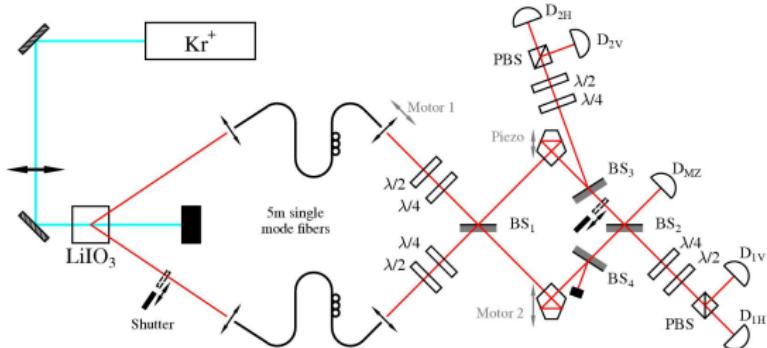


- passive stabilization in polystyrene box
- active stabilization each 5 s

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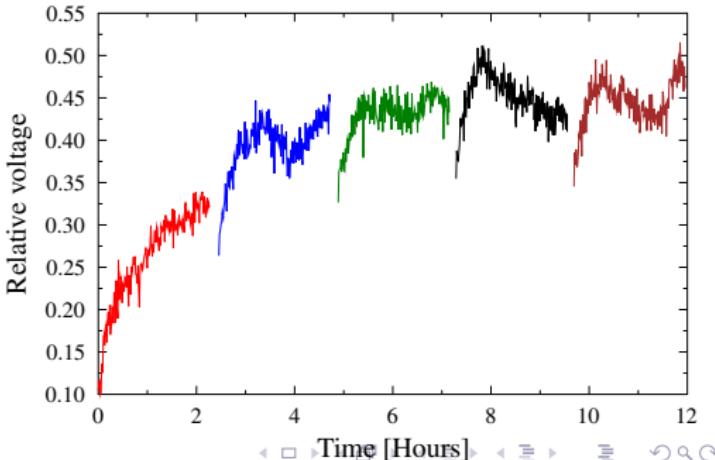


# Bigger bulk interferometer for SWAP gate

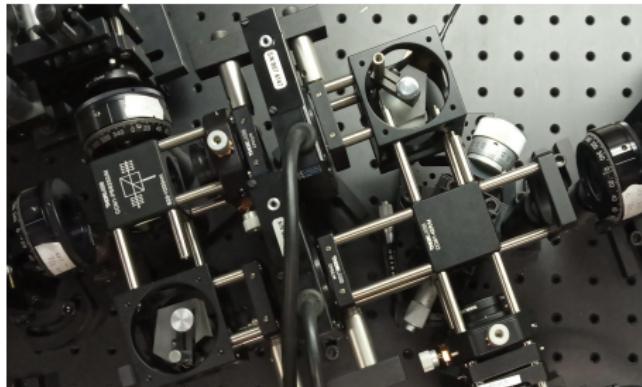
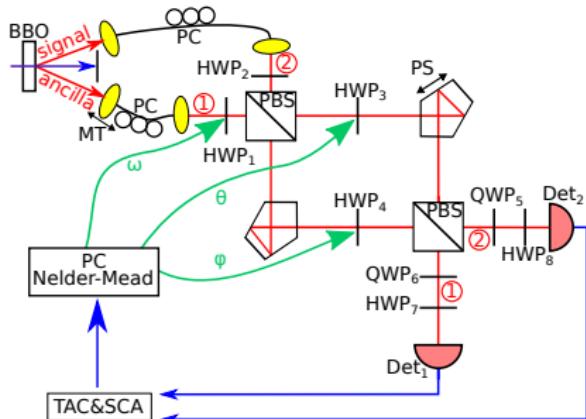


- no extra passive stabilization
- active stabilization after each three 15 s measurements

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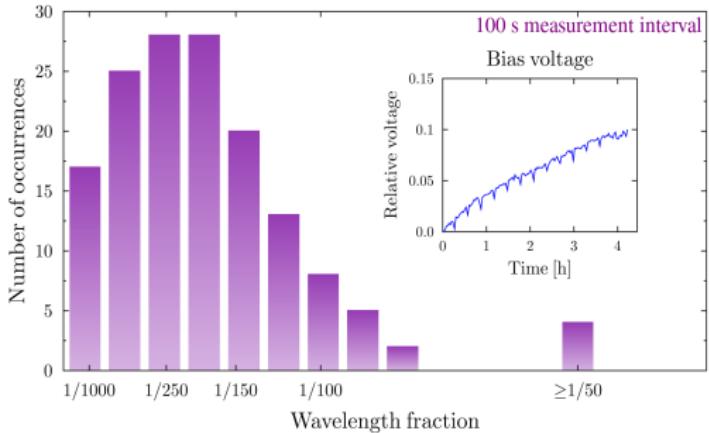


# Compact bulk interferometer for MLC

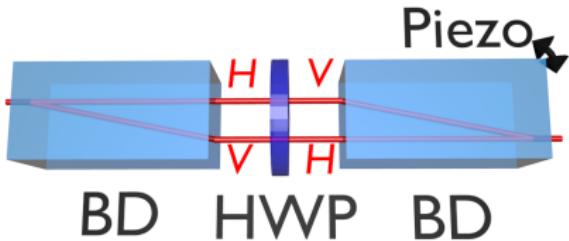


- passive stabilization by paper box
- measurement of phase shift in 100 s intervals

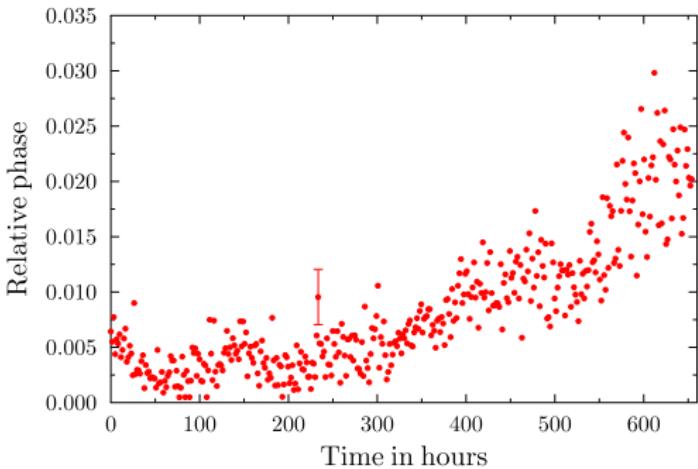
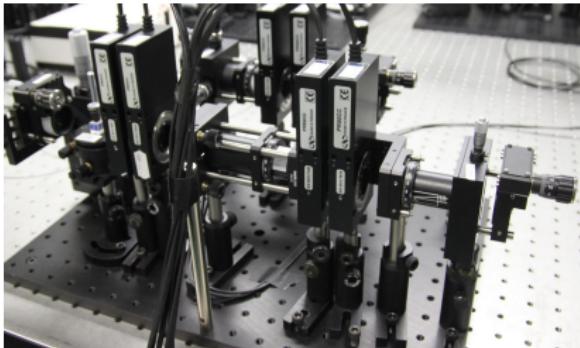
Jašek *et al.*, Optics Express,  
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# Tiny bulk interferometer



- no stabilization



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Thanks for your attention

