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# Quantum Interferometry

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**Quantum  
Mechanics**

**QUANTUM  
INFORMATION**

**Computer  
Science**

**Information  
Theory**

**QUBIT**

$$\alpha |0\rangle + \beta |1\rangle$$

$$\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C} \text{ e } |\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 = 1$$

**Cryptography**



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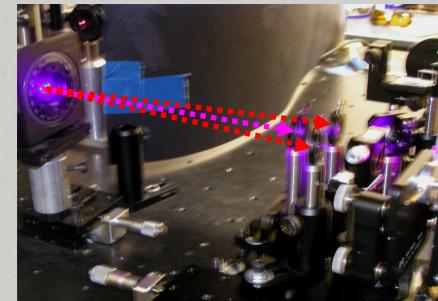
## PHOTONIC QUBIT

- **Polarization:**  $\alpha|H\rangle + \beta|V\rangle$

- **Spatial mode:**

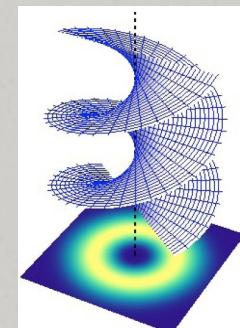


- ★ Generation of particular families of high-dimensional multi-qubit quantum states
- ★ Increment the power of many quantum information protocols by increasing quantum correlations between many optical paths



- **Orbital angular momentum:**

orbital angular momentum (OAM) of light, associated to the transverse amplitude profile allows the implementation of a higher-dimensional quantum space, or a ``qudit'', encoded in a single photon.





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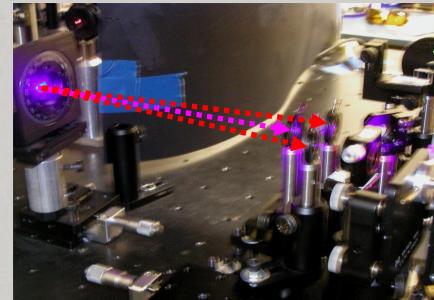


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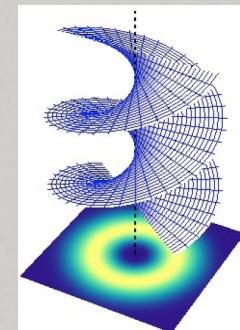
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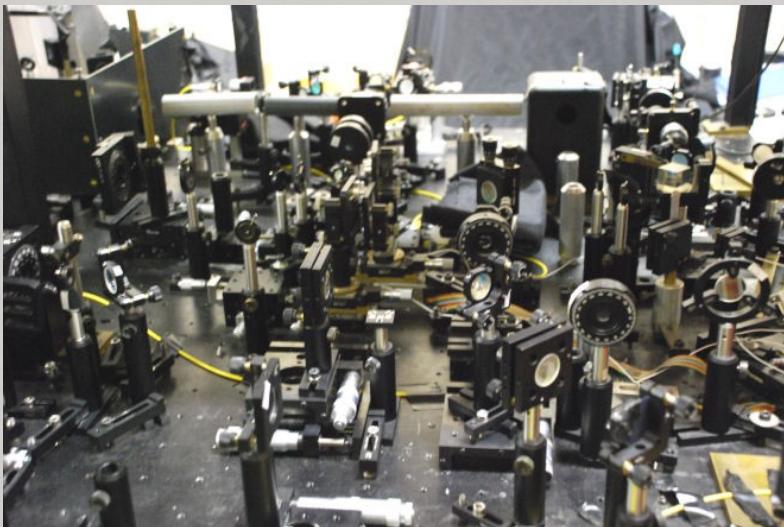




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## Main limitations to experimental photonic quantum informations



Huge setups

Unavoidable interaction  
between quantum system  
and environment

- LOSSES
- DECOHERENCE

## Possible solutions:

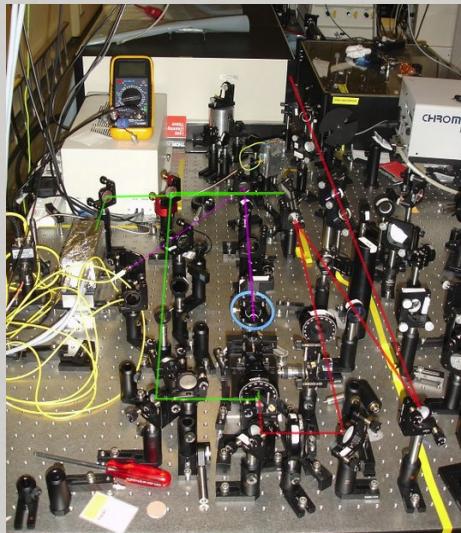
- ◆ Go integrated
- ◆ Overcome losses by coherent amplification



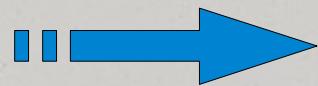
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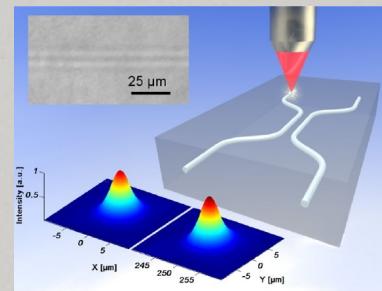
## Bulk optics



Stability  
Precision  
Physical size



## Integrated systems by ultrafast laser writing technique



Support and manipulate polarization encoded qubit !!

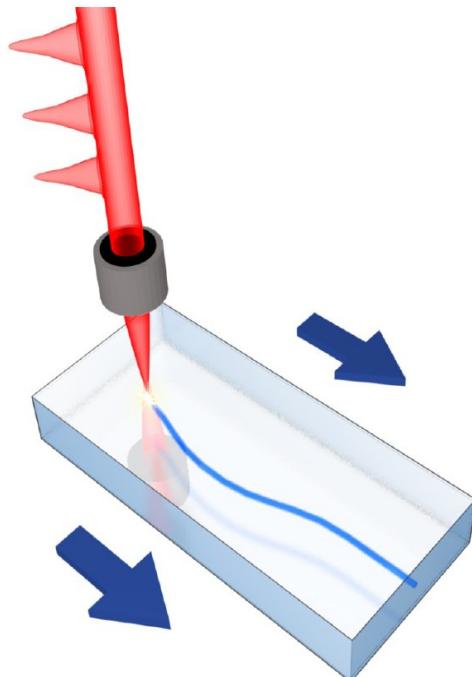
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## Laser writing technique for devices able to transmit polarization qubits



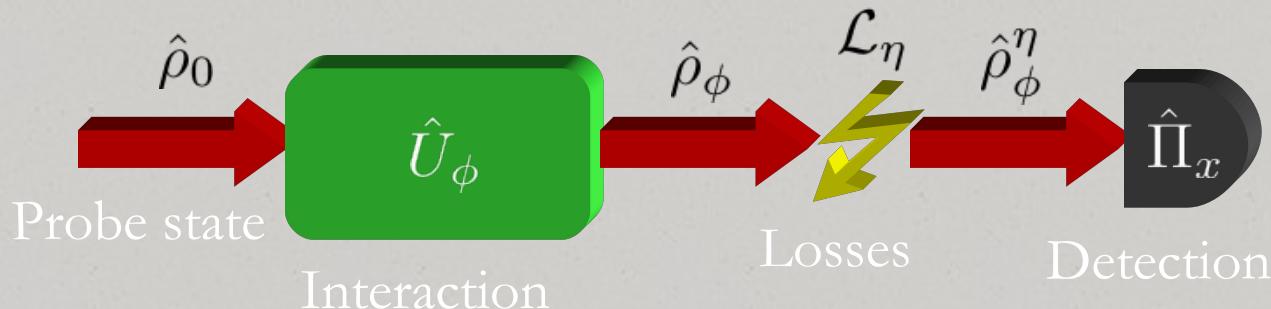
- ★ Femtosecond pulse tightly focused in a glass
- ★ Combination of multiphoton absorption and avalanche ionization induces permanent and localized refractive index increase in transparent materials
- ★ Waveguides are fabricated in the bulk of the substrate by translation of the sample at constant velocity with respect to the laser beam, along the desired path.



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# Quantum interferometry in lossy conditions



# CAN WE PROTECT THE PROBE STATE FROM DETRIMENTAL EFFECTS OF LOSSES?



**Easy solution:** Increase the size of the probe state !!

## **NOT FEASIBLE IN A MINIMALLY INVASIVE PHASE ESTIMATION SCENARIO**



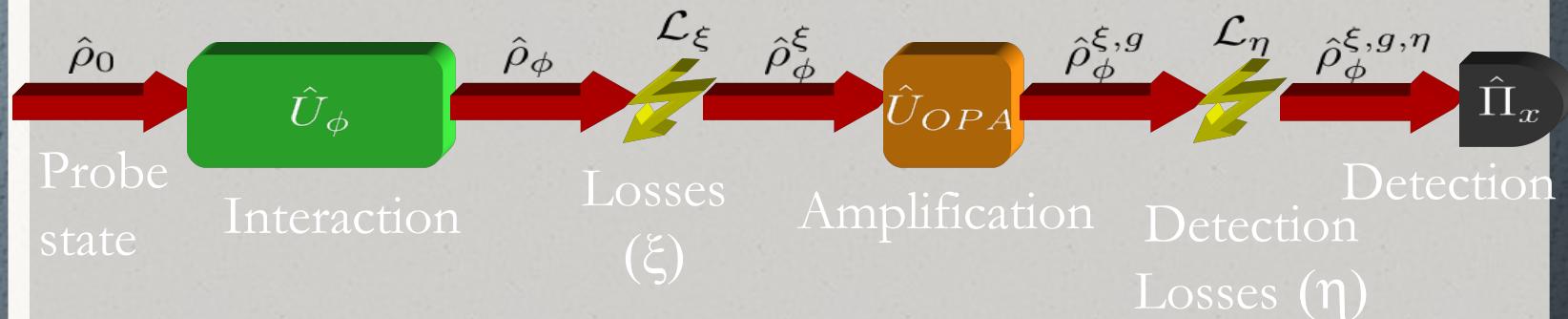


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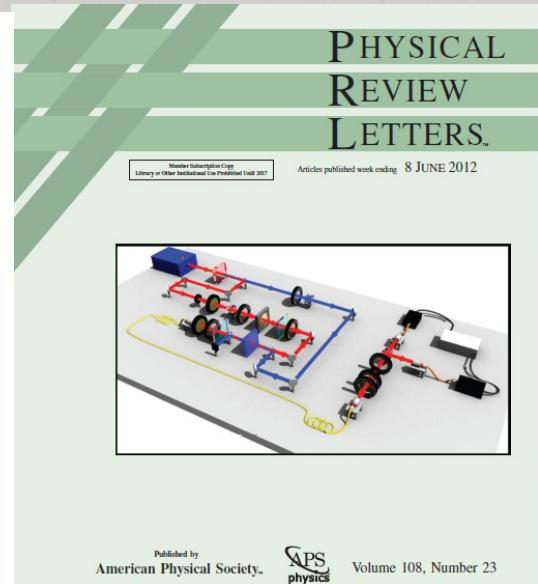
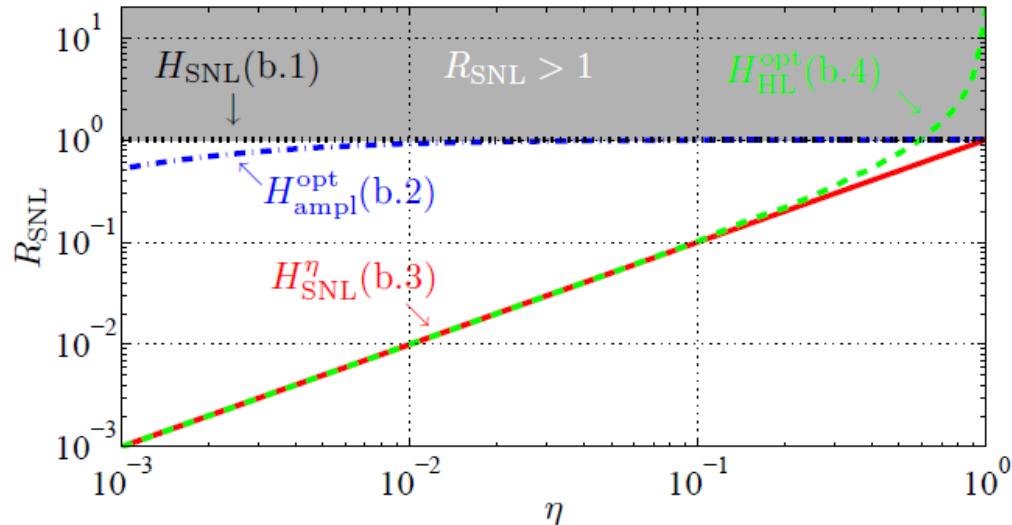
- ★ Preserves the minimally invasive character of the interaction
- ★ Protects the probe state from losses





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**Quantum Fisher Information  $H$  represents the maximum amount of information which can be extracted from the probe state by optimizing over all the possible measurement strategies.**

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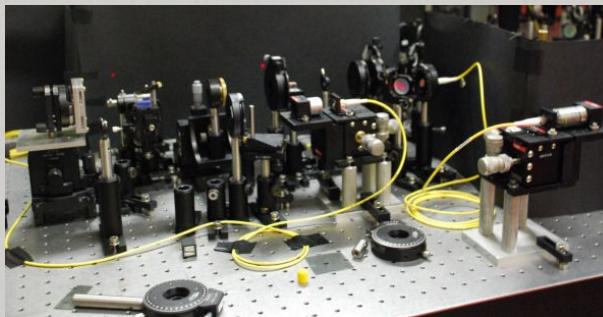
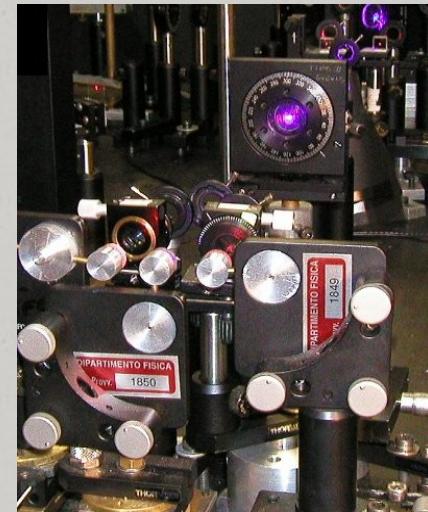
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