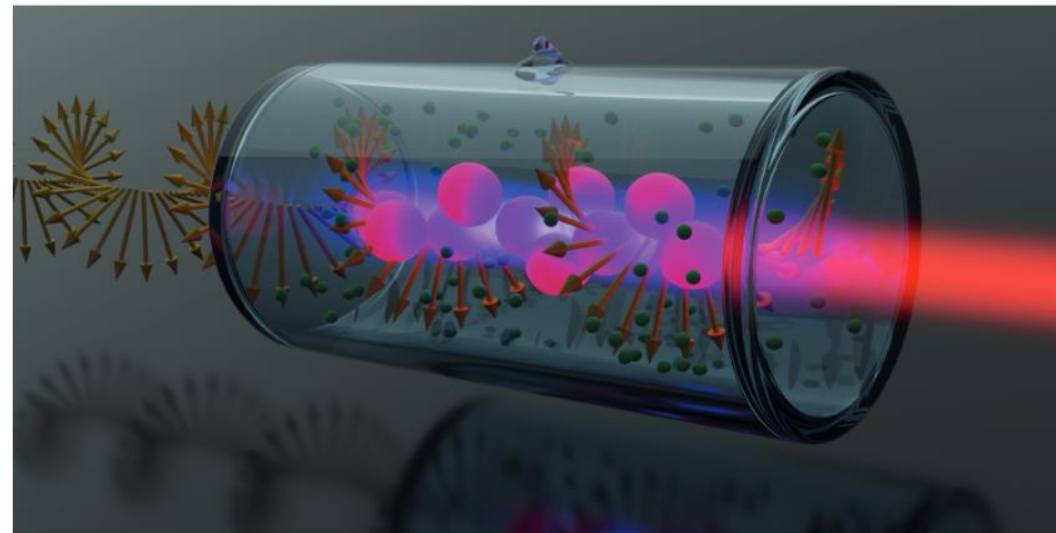


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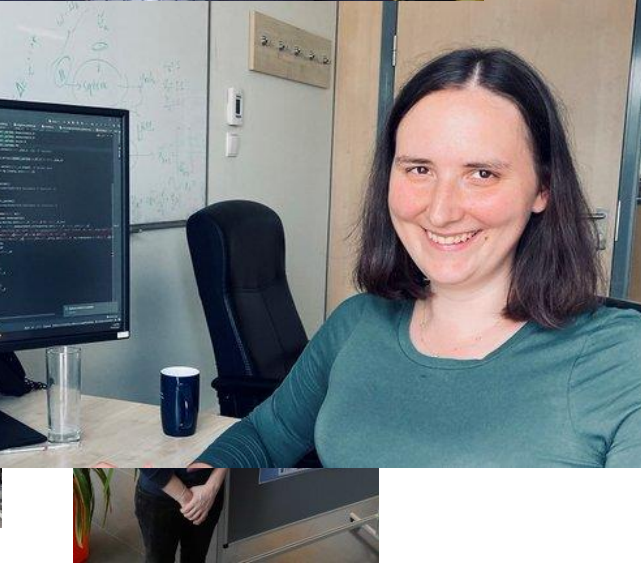
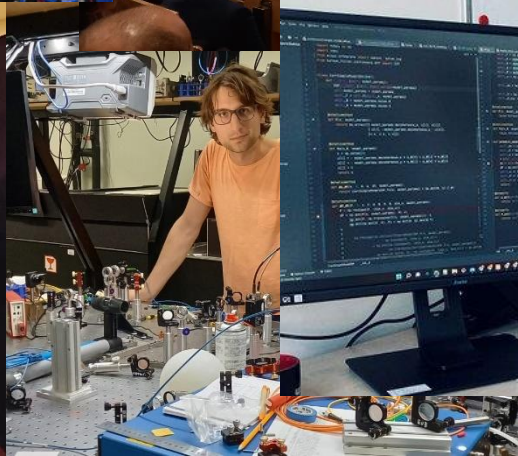
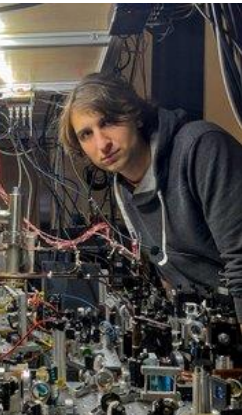
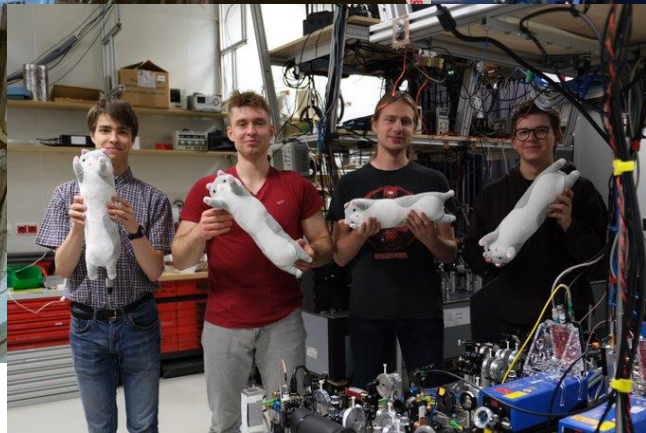
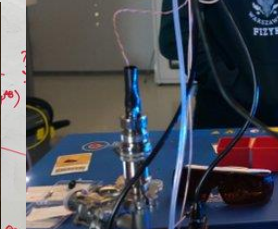
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## Quantum imaging



### Temporal imaging for ultra-narrowband few-photon states of light

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**Abstract**—Quantum fingerprinting reduces communication complexity of determination whether two  $n$ -bit long inputs are equal or different in the simultaneous message passing model. Here we quantify the advantage of quantum fingerprinting over classical protocols when communication is carried out using optical signals with limited power and unrestricted bandwidth propagating over additive white Gaussian noise (AWGN) chan-

which corresponds to a test whether the input strings are equal or different. In order to reduce the amount of information transmitted to the referee, Alice and Bob can send only fingerprints of their inputs at the expense of tolerating a non-zero probability of error. Classically, the fingerprints have the form of bit strings shorter than inputs. If Alice and Bob do

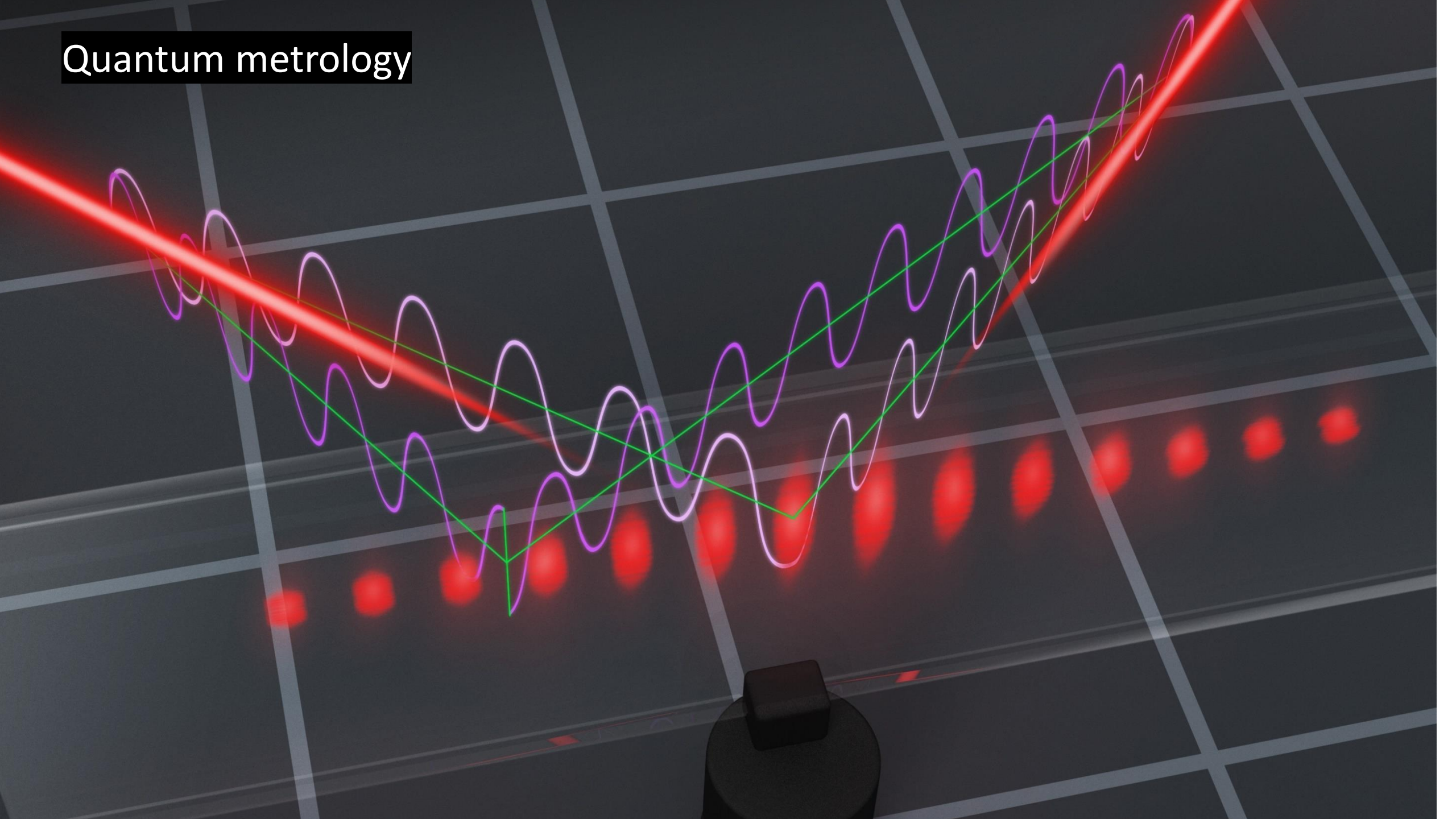


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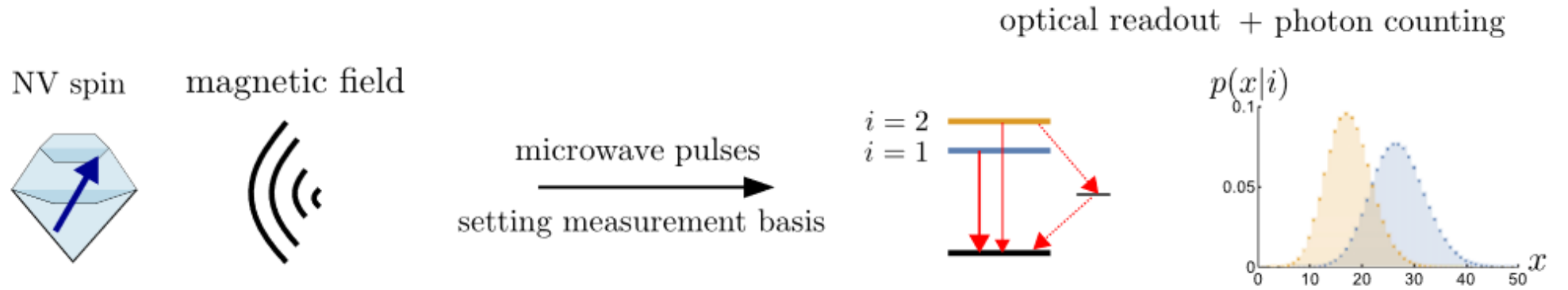
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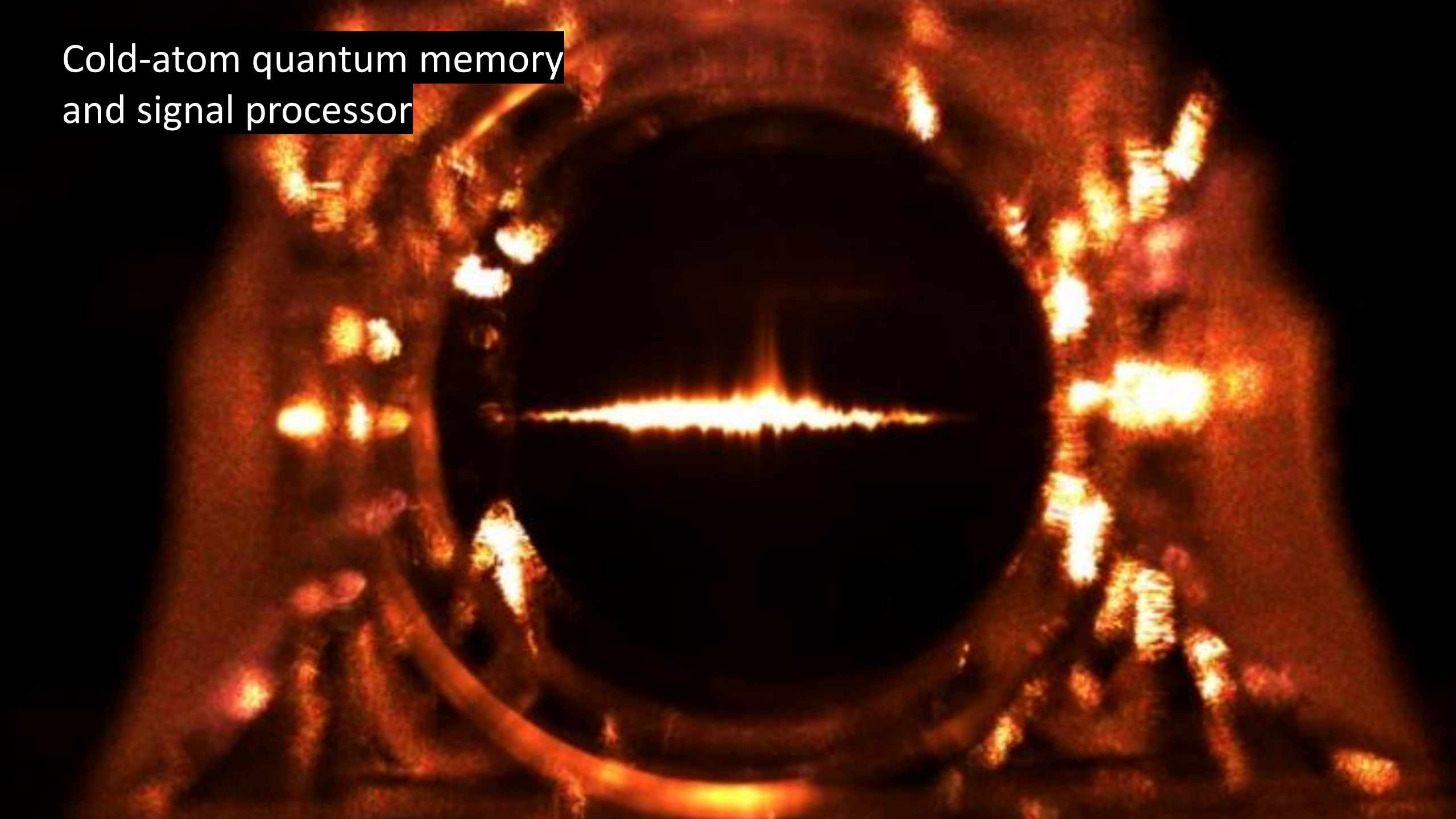


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Cold-atom quantum memory  
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# Many functionalities of light-atom interface

Storing photons in spin waves

Storing qubits or qudits

Photon generation

Interference of stored photons

Quantum signal repeaters

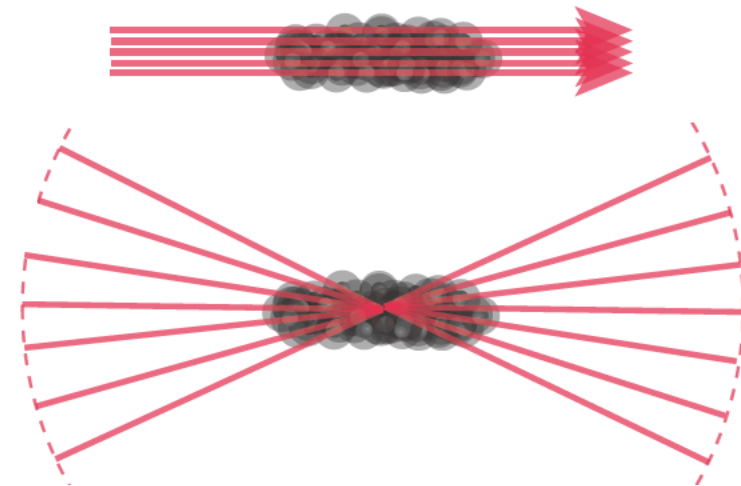
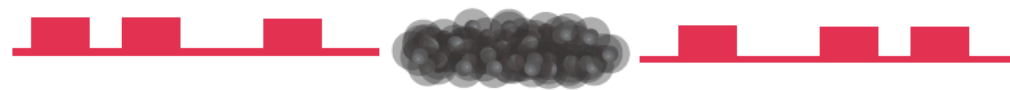
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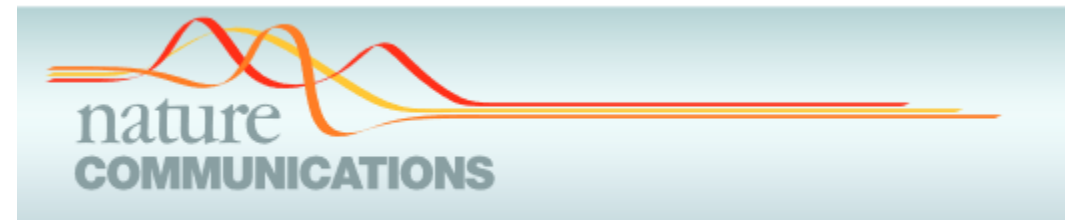
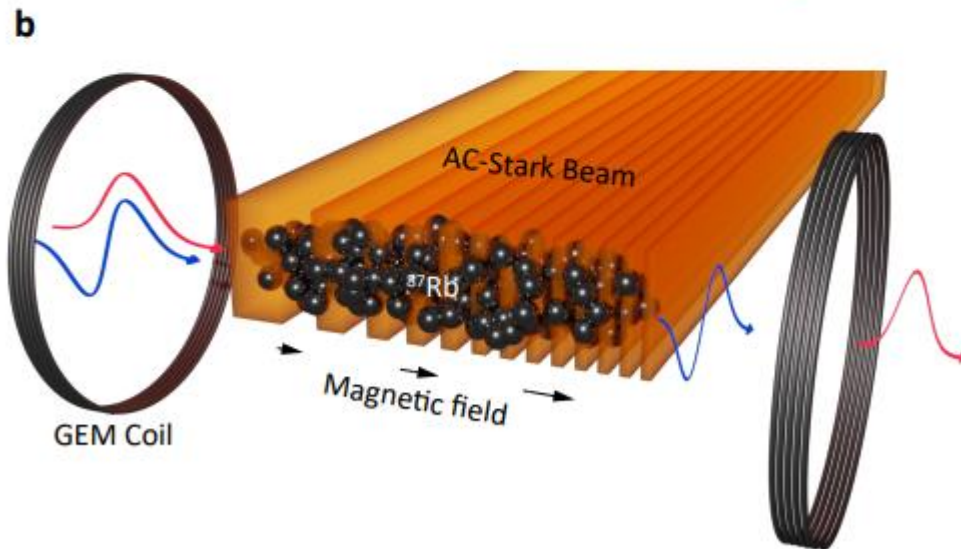
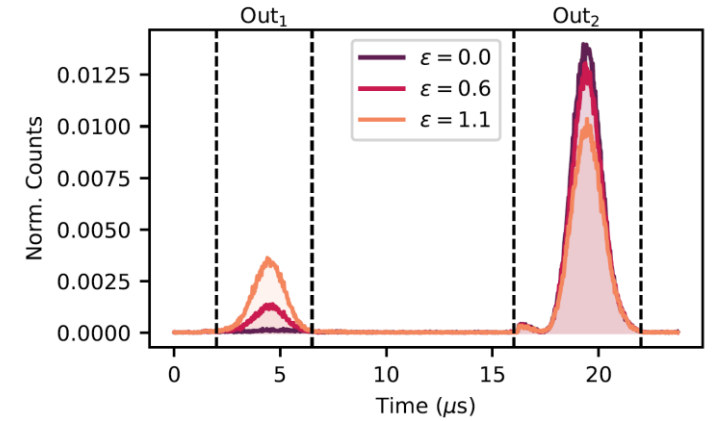
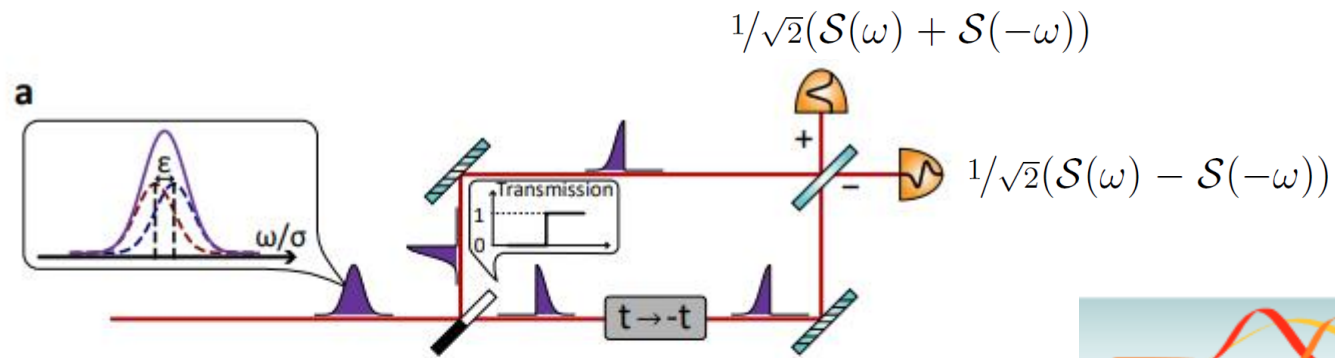


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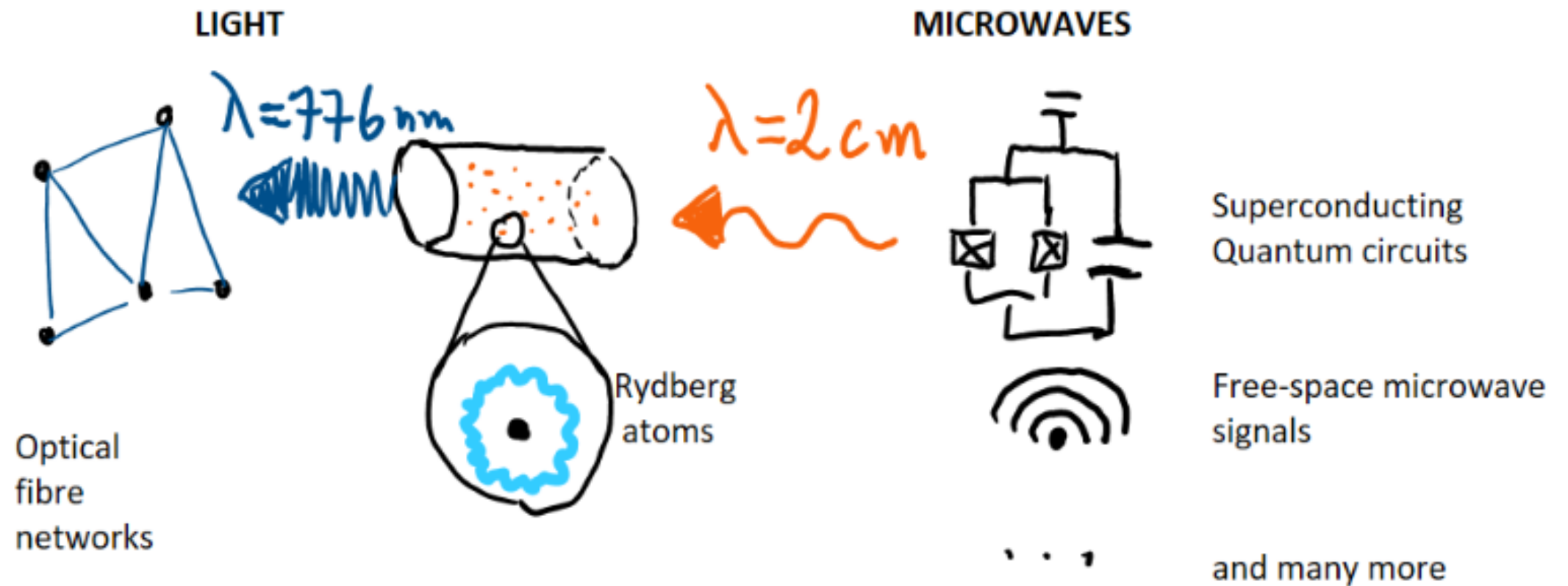
## Optical-domain spectral super-resolution via a quantum-memory-based time-frequency processor

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# Rydberg atoms



# End goal: quantum networking with quantum transduction





# Continuous wideband microwave-to-optical converter based on room-temperature Rydberg atoms

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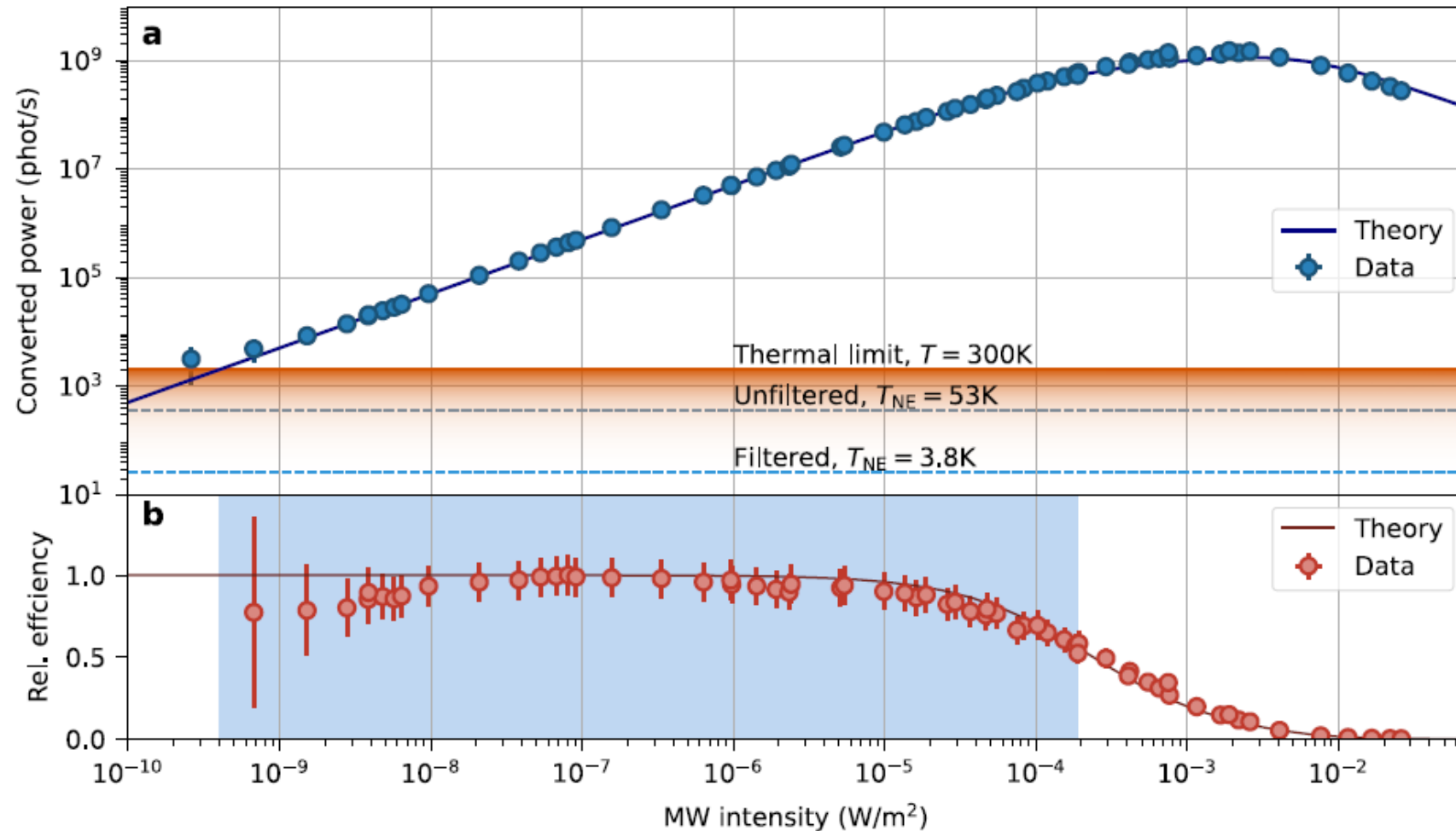
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The coupling of microwave and optical systems presents an immense challenge due to the natural incompatibility of energies, but potential applications range from optical interconnects for quantum computers to next-generation quantum microwave sensors, detectors and coherent imagers. Several of the engineered platforms that have emerged are constrained by specific conditions, such as cryogenic environments, impulse protocols or narrowband fields. Here we employ Rydberg atoms that allow the wideband coupling of optical and microwave photons at room temperature with the use of a modest set-up. We present continuous-wave conversion of a 13.9 GHz field to a near-infrared optical signal using an ensemble of Rydberg atoms via a free-space six-wave mixing process designed to minimize noise interference from any nearby frequencies. The Rydberg photonic converter exhibits a conversion

# Photon counting and efficiency



Saturation due to Autler-Townes splitting

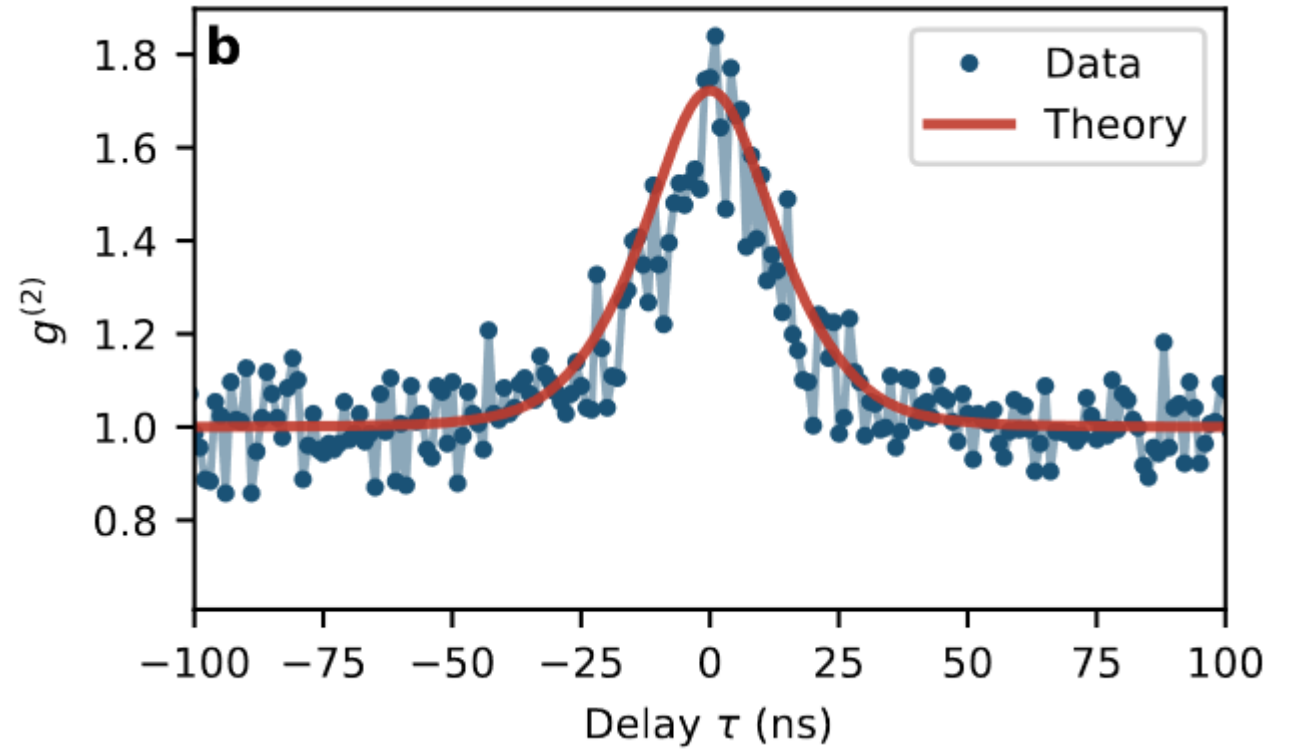
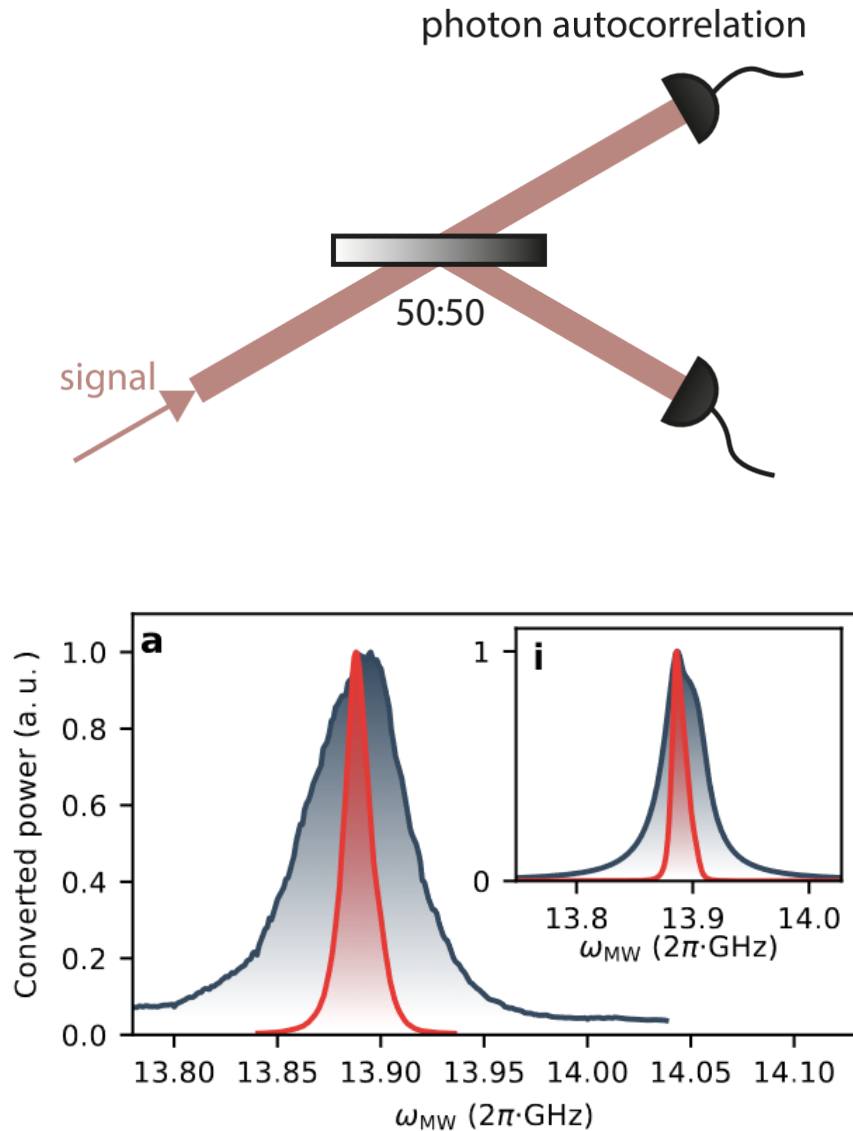
A-T splitting also provides fundamental reference for electric field (cf. Nature Physics 8, 819–824 (2012))

$1.59 \text{ nV cm}^{-1} (\text{rad/s})^{-1/2}$  Measured  
 $1.64 \text{ nV cm}^{-1} (\text{rad/s})^{-1/2}$  Calculated

Intrinsic noise (dark background almost 100 times lower than thermal radiation)

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# Photon statistics and tunability

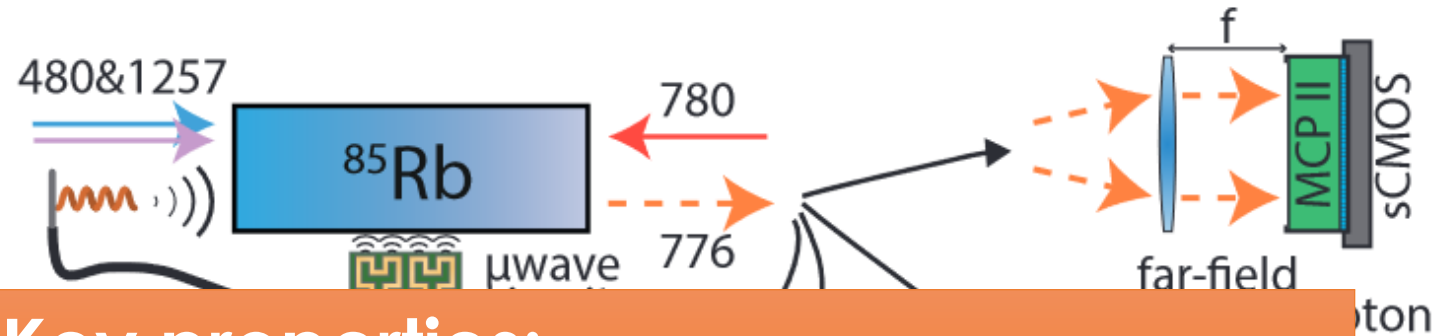


Tunable bandwidth (single laser)

**Instantaneous bandwidth**

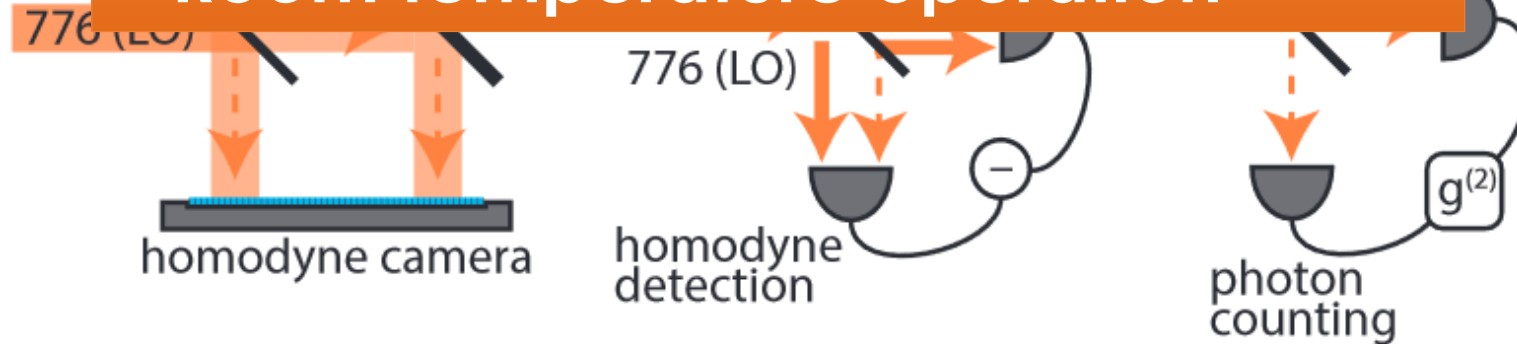
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# Next applications of our quantum transducer

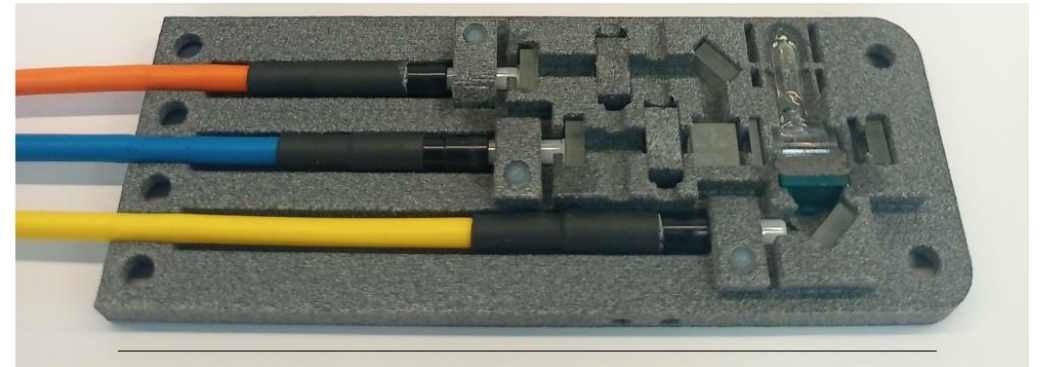
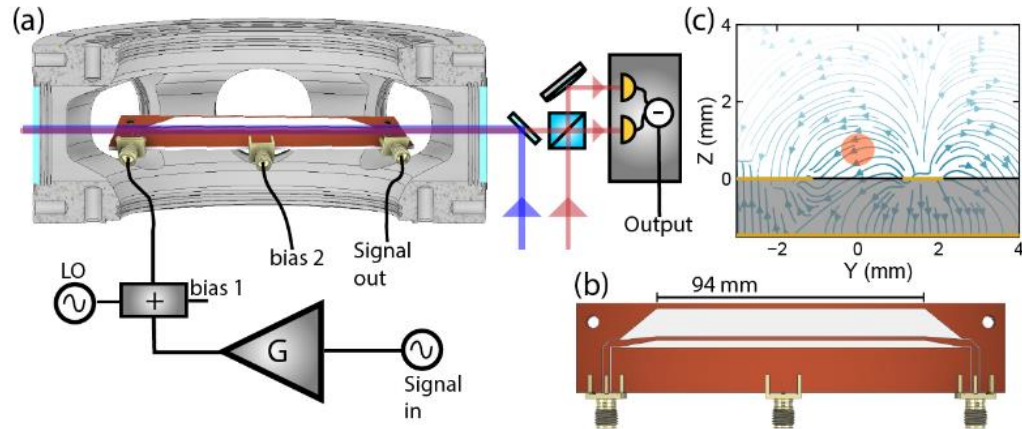


## Key properties:

- Large bandwidth
- CW capability
- Room temperature operation



# Towards practical devices: cells and waveguides



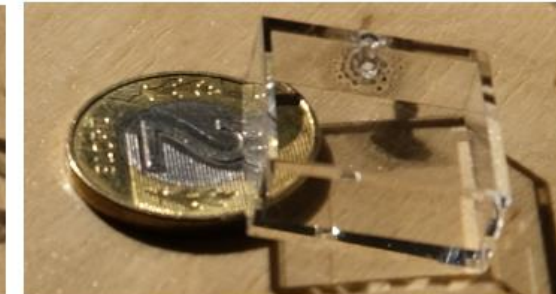
**Future: all-fiber laser system?**

Waveguided device



Soon: smaller cel

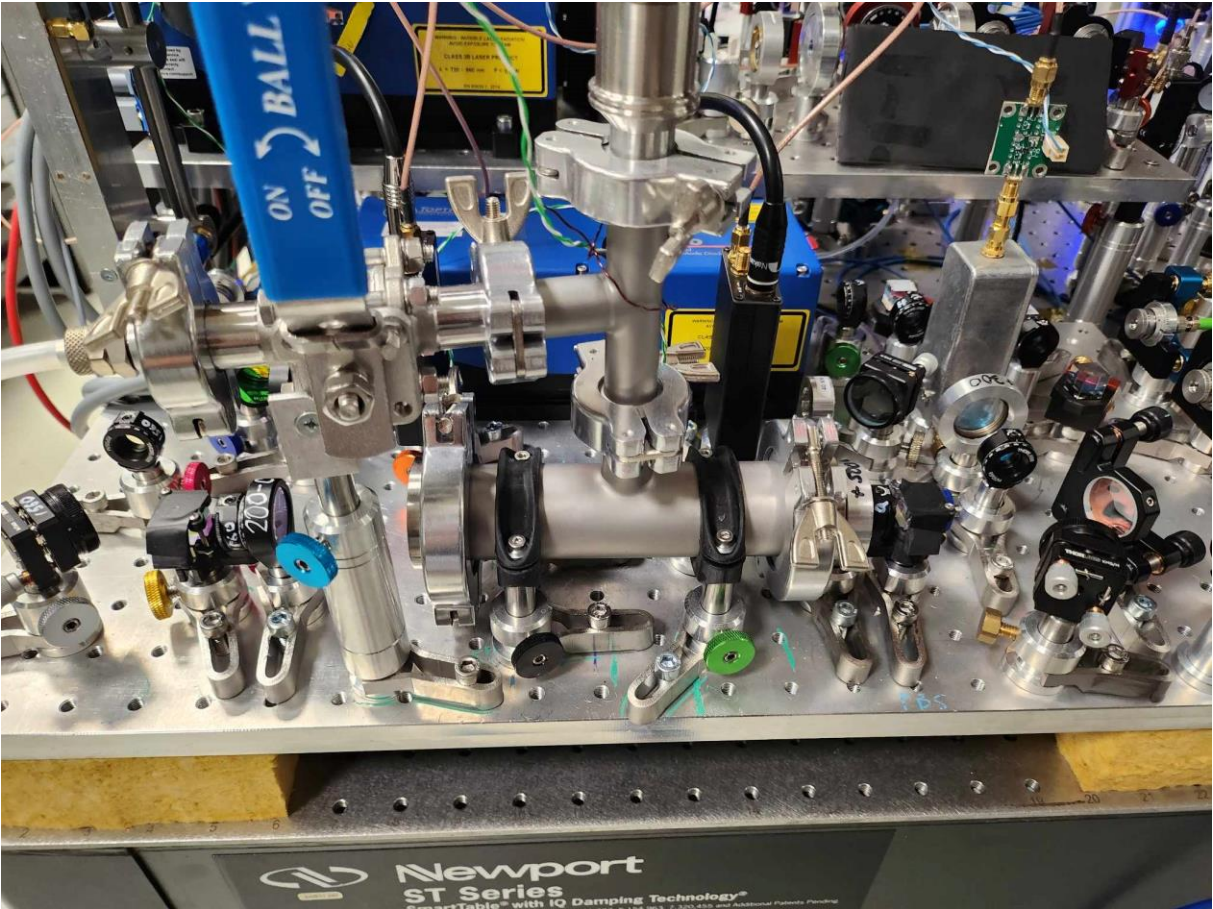
Future:  
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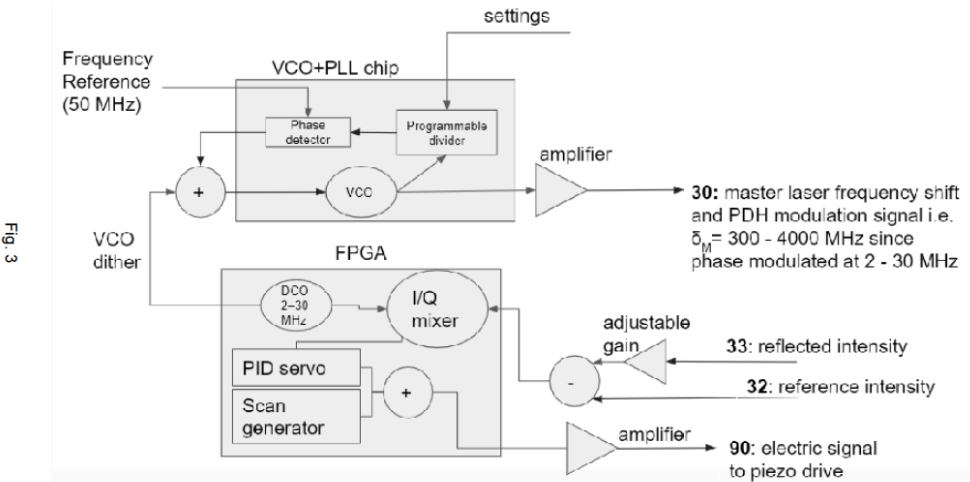
**Potential: all-glass/fiber/plastic microwave receiver, insensitive to EMI**



# Towards practical devices: laser locking



Patent pending locking scheme, EP23461571.4





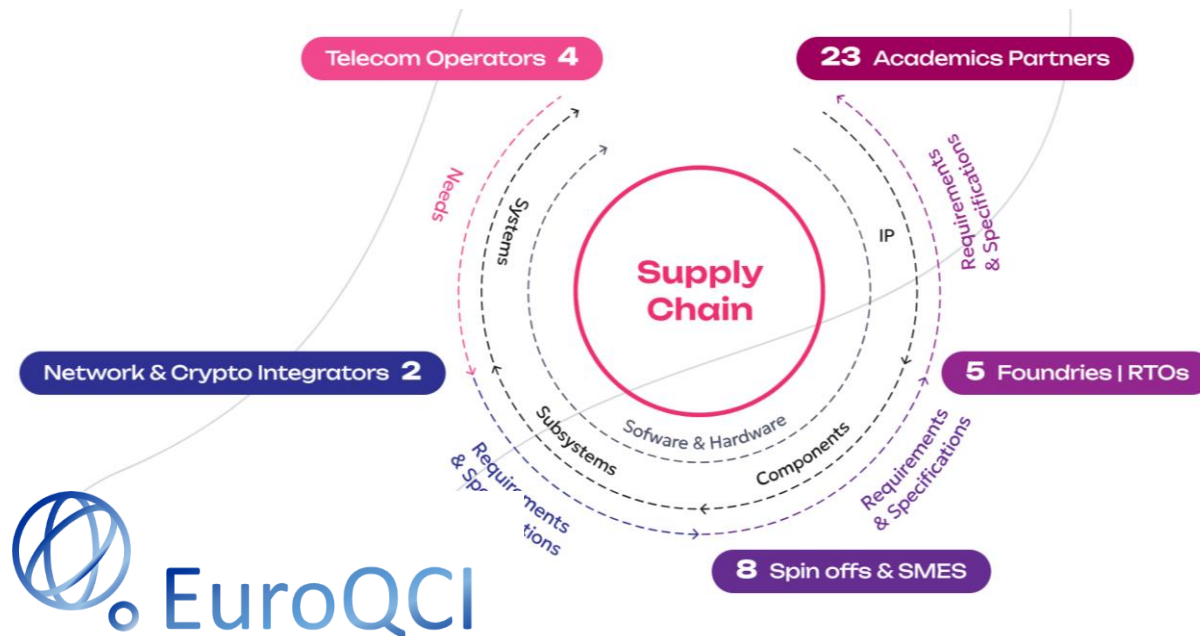
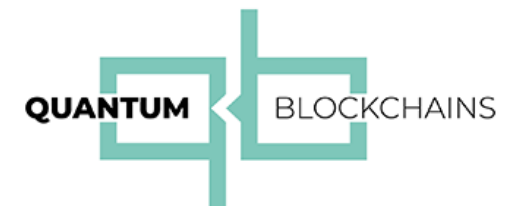
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