

Quantum Imaging: Q-OCT

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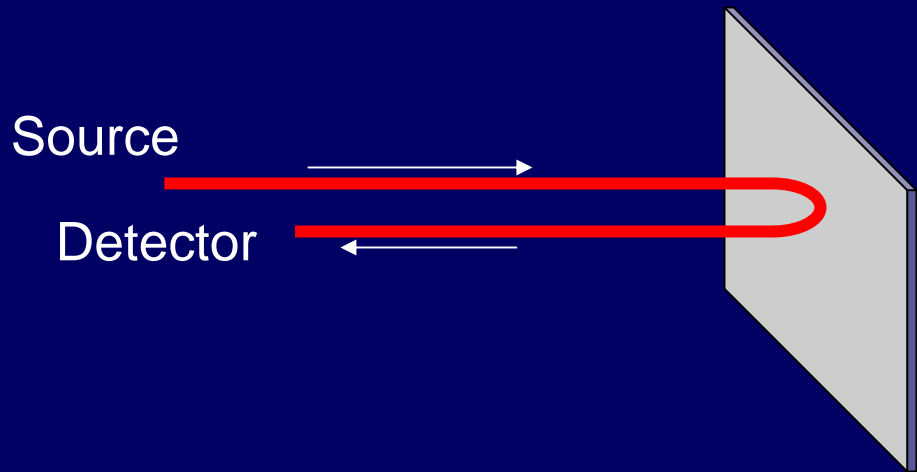
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Optical Imaging

= Estimation of the spatial distribution (2D, 3D, 4D) of a physical object by use of optical measurement (direct or interferometric)



Reflectance $R(x,y)$

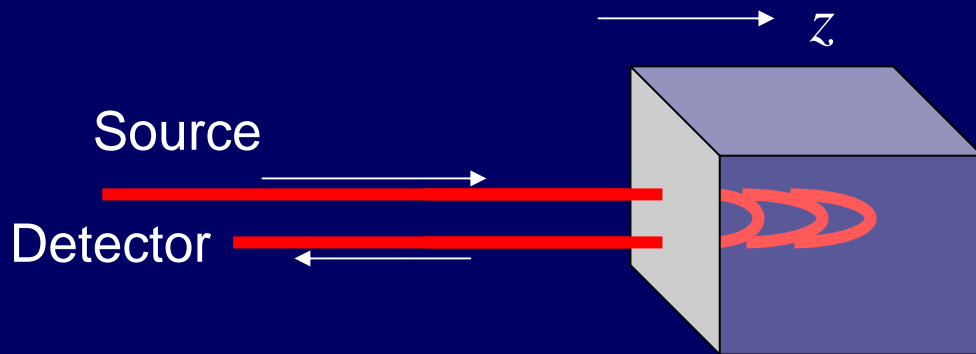
**Conventional Imaging
Metrology**

or $R(x,y,\lambda)$

**Spectral or
Hyperspectral Imaging**

or Jones matrix $J(x,y)$

**Polarization-sensitive
Imaging (Ellipsometry)**



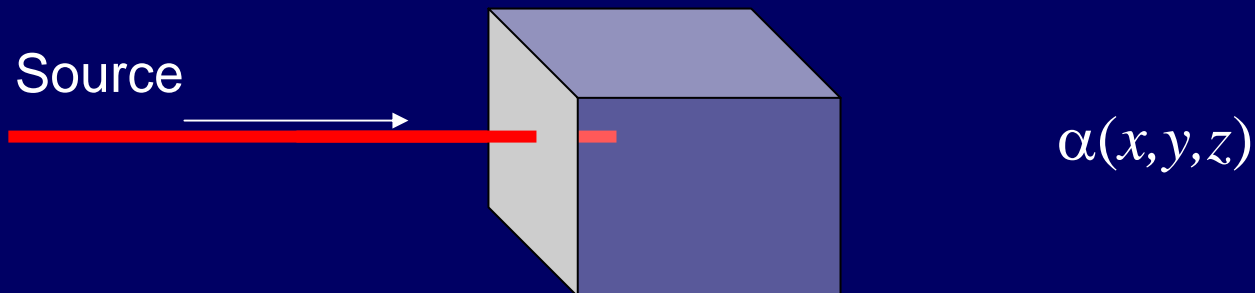
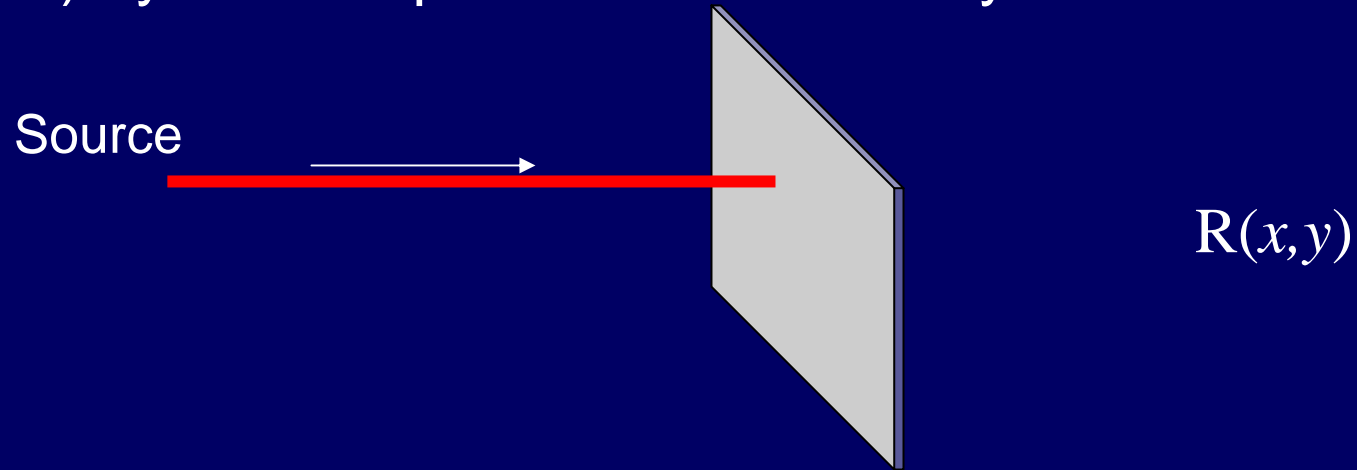
or $R(z)$ **Ranging**
Axial imaging

or $\alpha(x,y,z)$
3D Imaging
Subsurface imaging

Imaging may involve spatial, spectral, and/or polarization effects

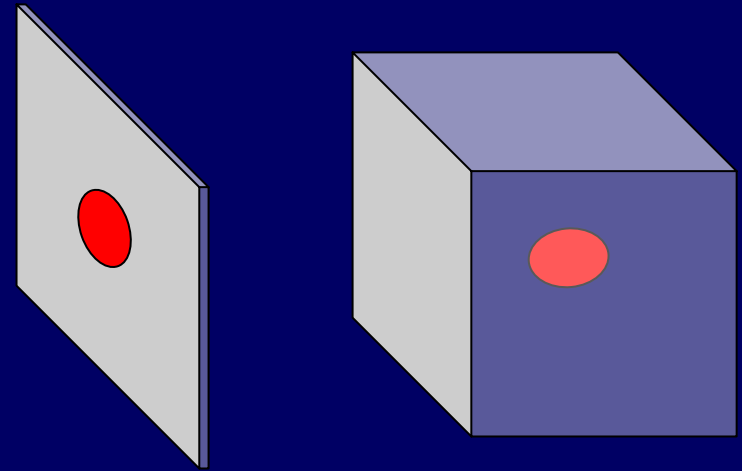
Optical Lithography

= Fabrication of objects with specified spatial distributions (2D, 3D) by use of optical sources and systems

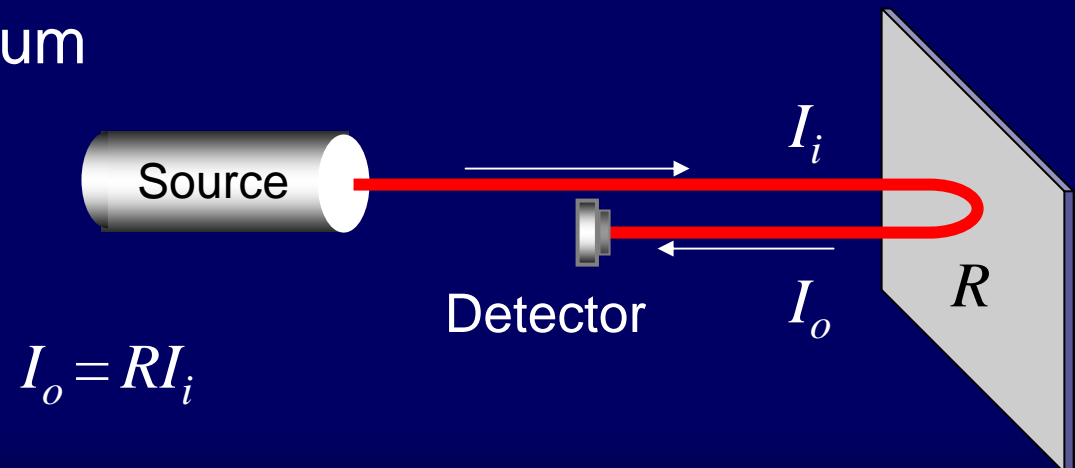


Limitations of Optical Imaging & Lithography

- Resolution (transverse & axial)



- Noise ——— Classical
Quantum



Quantum Imaging

= Estimation of the spatial distribution of a physical object by use of light field in a nonclassical state & direct or Interferometric measurement

Quantum Lithography

= Fabrication of objects with specified spatial distribution by use of light field in a nonclassical state

States of Light

Coherent (laser imaging)

Thermal (conventional, photon-correlation imaging)

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Nonclassical States

Quadrature-Squeezed

Photon-Number Squeezed

Two-Photon

Gaussian

NOON ...

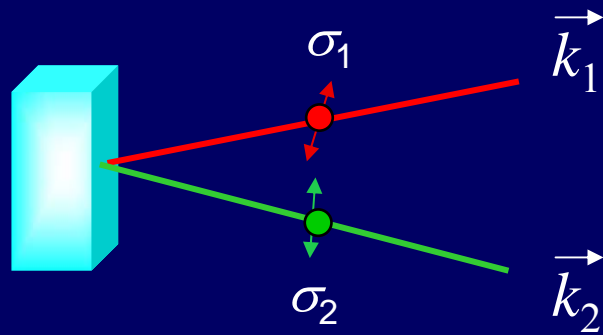
Saleh et al. PRA 2000

Saleh et al. PRL 2005

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Two-Photon light



= a state of exactly two photons in multimodes (spatial/spectral/polarization)

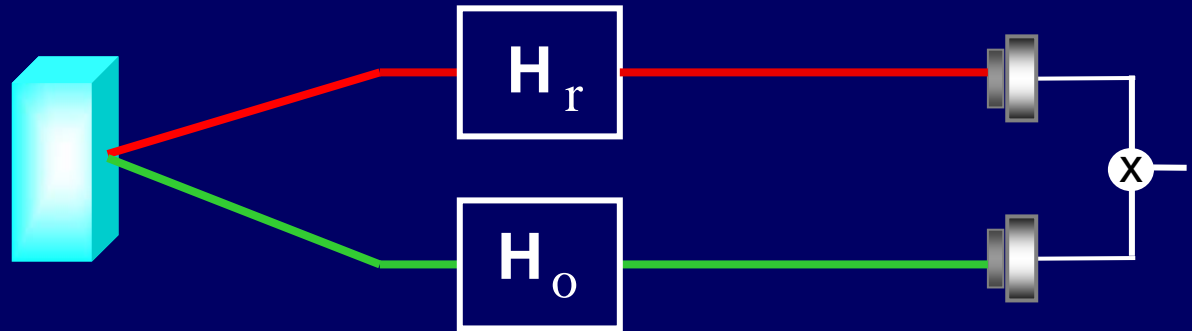
$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{\sigma_1} \sum_{\sigma_2} \iint dq_1 dq_2 \iint d\omega_1 d\omega_2 \underbrace{\varphi(q_1, \omega_1, \sigma_1; q_2, \omega_2, \sigma_2)}_{\text{non-separable function} \equiv \text{entangled state}} |1_{q_1, \omega_1, \sigma_1}, 1_{q_2, \omega_2, \sigma_2}\rangle$$

non-separable function \equiv entangled state

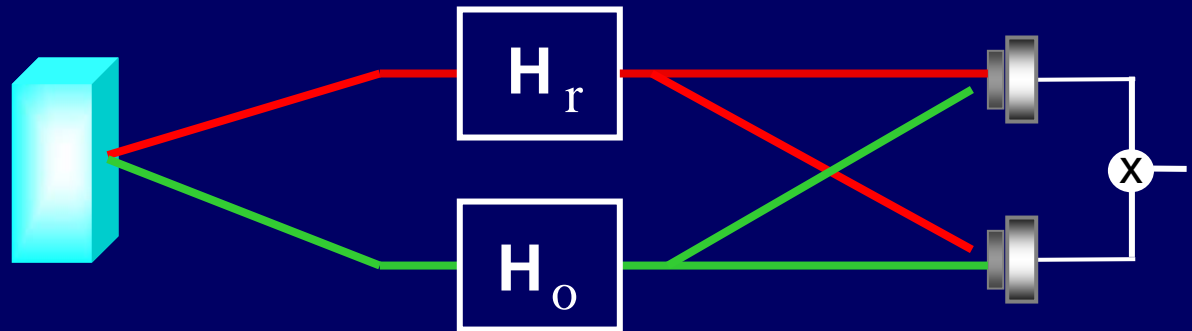
Entanglement: Spatial (momentum)
Spectral
Polarization

Two Configurations

A. Direct

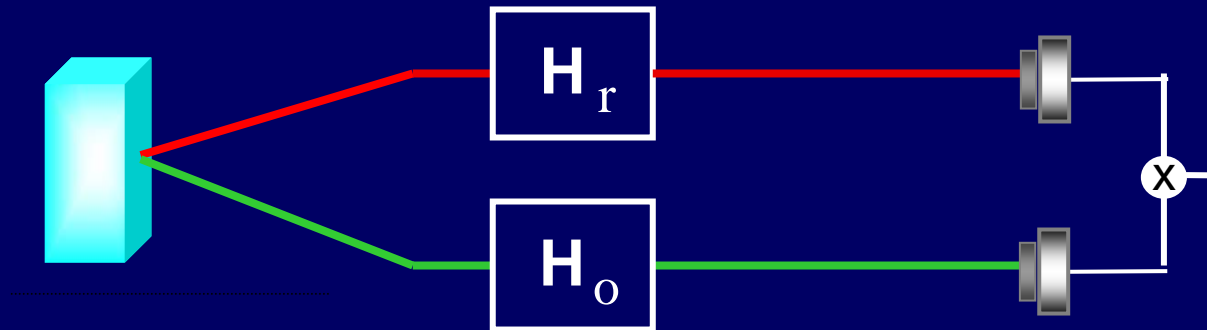


B. Interferometric



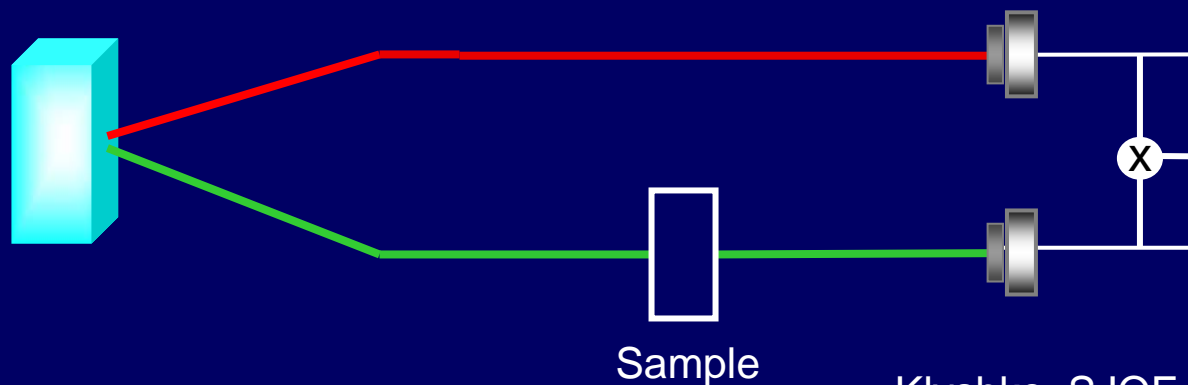
H = Spatial, spectral, or polarization system

A. Applications of Direct 2-Photon Imaging



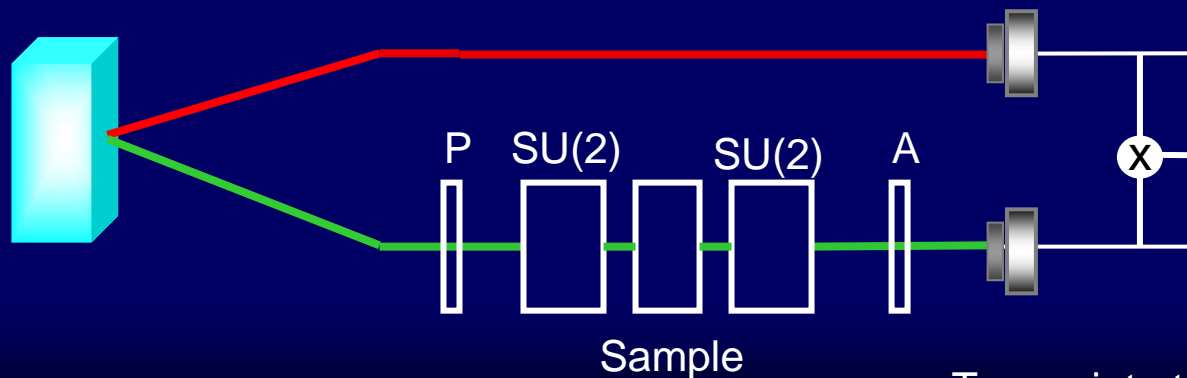
1. Correlated-Photon Absolute Measurement

Measurement of reflectance/ Transmittance/ Quantum Efficiency



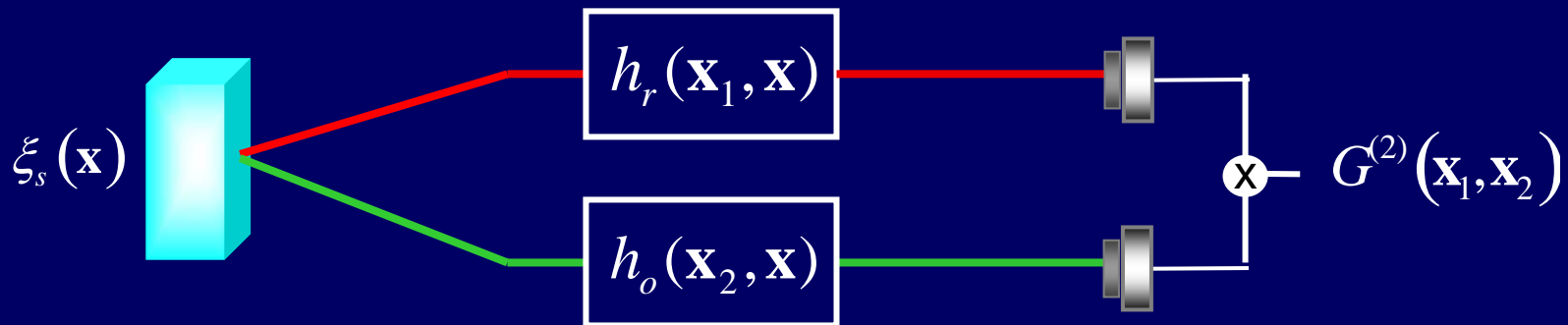
Klyshko, SJQE 77
Branning *et al.* PRA 00

Ellipsometry



Toussaint *et al.* PRA 04

2. Imaging (transverse) - Spatial modes



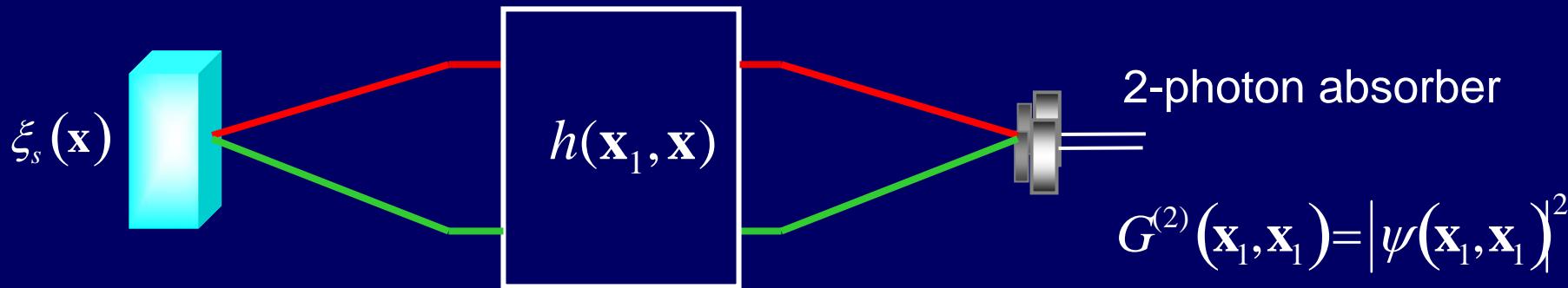
$$G^{(2)}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = |\psi(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)|^2$$

$$\psi(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) \propto \int \xi_s(\mathbf{x}) h_r(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}) h_o(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

Belinskii & Klyshko, Zh. Eksp. Teor. Fiz. 94

Pittman *et al.*, PRA 95

3. Two-Photon Microscopy / Lithography



$$\psi(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_1) \propto \int \xi_s(\mathbf{x}) h^2(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

Example: Optical Fourier transform $h = \exp(jkx_1x/2)$

$$\psi(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_1) \propto \int \xi_s(\mathbf{x}) \exp\left[j2 \frac{k}{2f} \mathbf{x}_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}\right] d\mathbf{x}$$

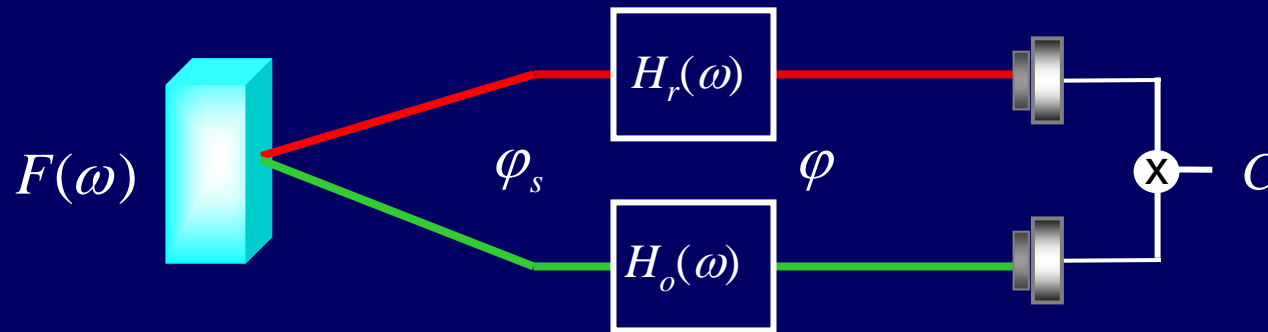
Factor of 2 enhancement

Teich & Saleh, *Cesk. Cas. Fyz.* 97

Boto *et al.*, *PRL* 00

Abouraddy *et al.*, *JOSA-B* 02

4. Dispersion Compensation



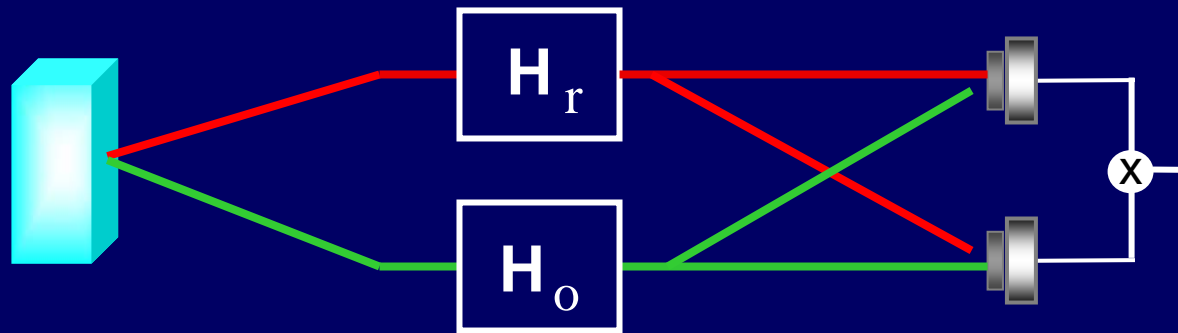
$$\varphi_s(\omega_1, \omega_2) = F(\omega_1) \delta(\omega_1 + \omega_2 - \omega_p)$$

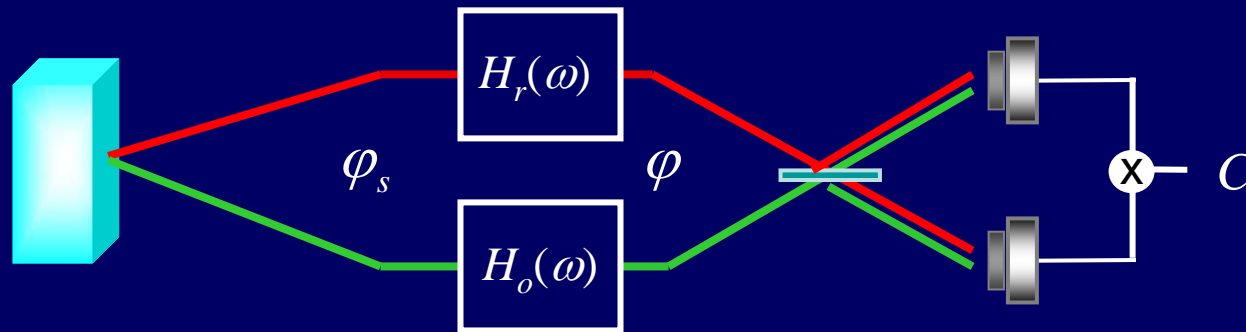
$$\varphi(\omega_1, \omega_2) = H_r(\omega_1) H_o(\omega_2) F(\omega_1) \delta(\omega_1 + \omega_2 - \omega_p)$$

GVD's of opposite signs cancel

Franson PRA 1992

B. Applications of Interferometric 2-Photon Imaging





$$\varphi(\omega_1, \omega_2) = H_r(\omega_1)H_o(\omega_2)F(\omega_1)\delta(\omega_1 + \omega_2 - \omega_p)$$

$$C = \frac{1}{4} \iint | \varphi(\omega_1, \omega_2) - \varphi(\omega_2, \omega_1) |^2 d\omega_1 d\omega_2$$

Interference term in $C \propto H_o(\omega_1)H_o^*(\omega_2)H_r(\omega_1)H_r^*(\omega_2)\delta(\omega_1 + \omega_2 - \omega_p)$

i.e., insensitive to even-order dispersion (GVD) in H_o ,

Nonlocal Dispersion Cancellation

Steinberg, Kwiat, Chiao, PRL 92; PRA 92

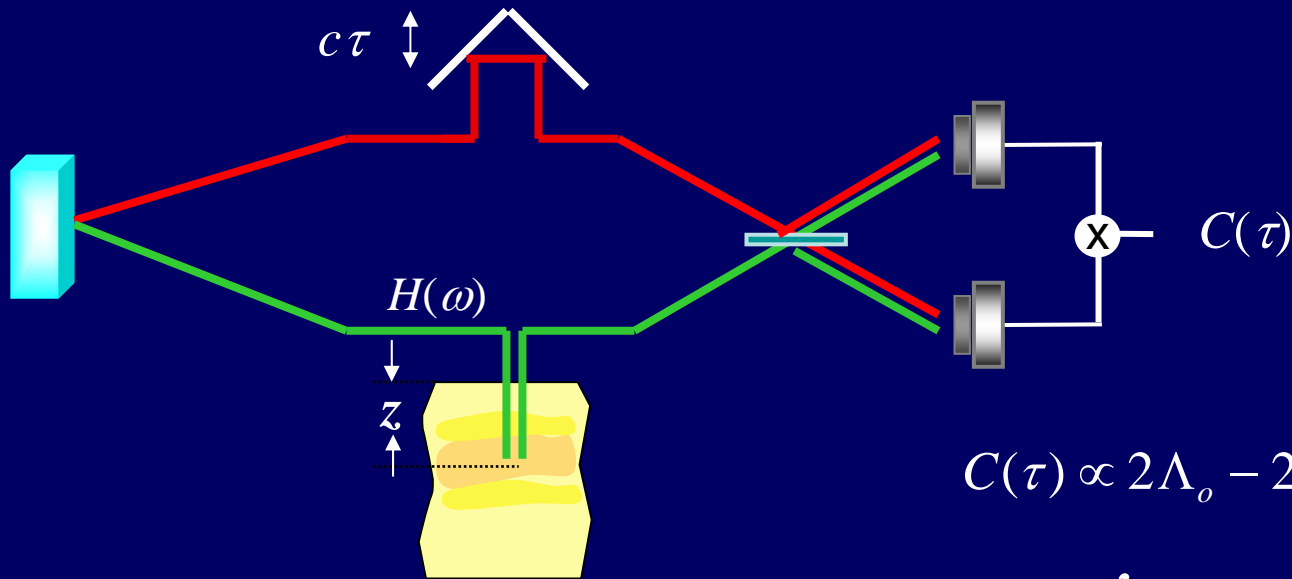
Shapiro, Sun, JOSA-B 94

Larchuk, Teich, Saleh, PRA 95

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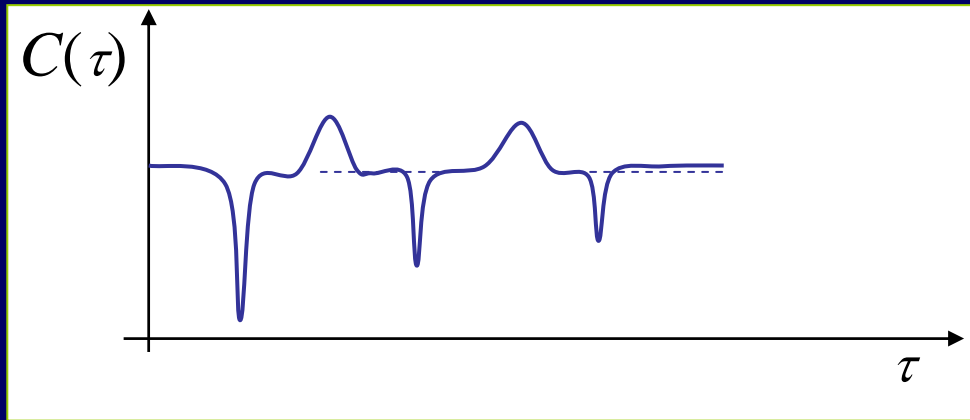
Q-OCT = Two-Photon Axial Imaging



$$C(\tau) \propto 2\Lambda_o - 2\text{Re}\{\Lambda(2\tau)\}$$

$$\Lambda(\tau) = \int d\Omega H(\omega_o + \Omega) H^*(\omega_o - \Omega) S(\Omega) e^{-i\Omega\tau}$$

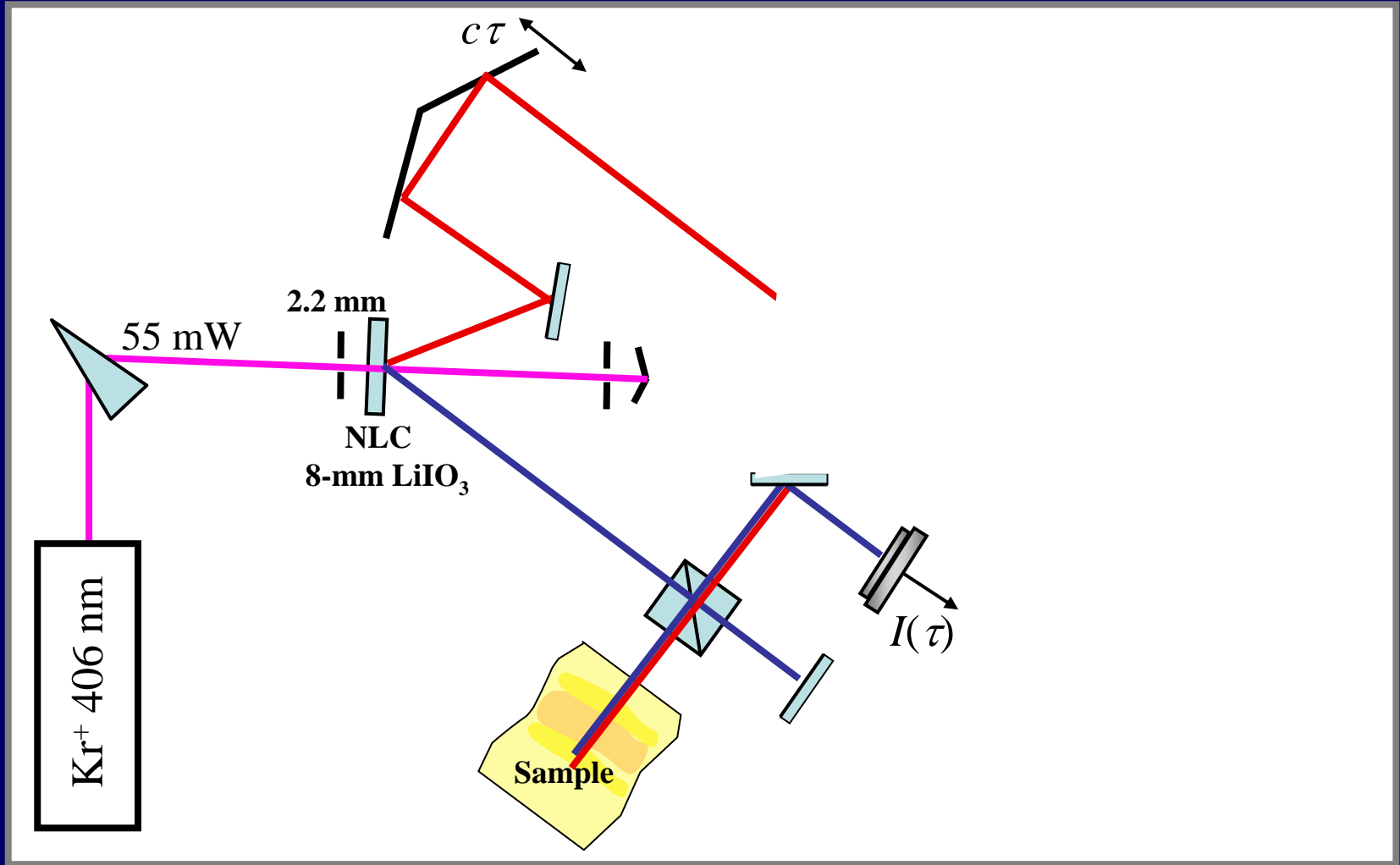
Dispersion-Cancellation



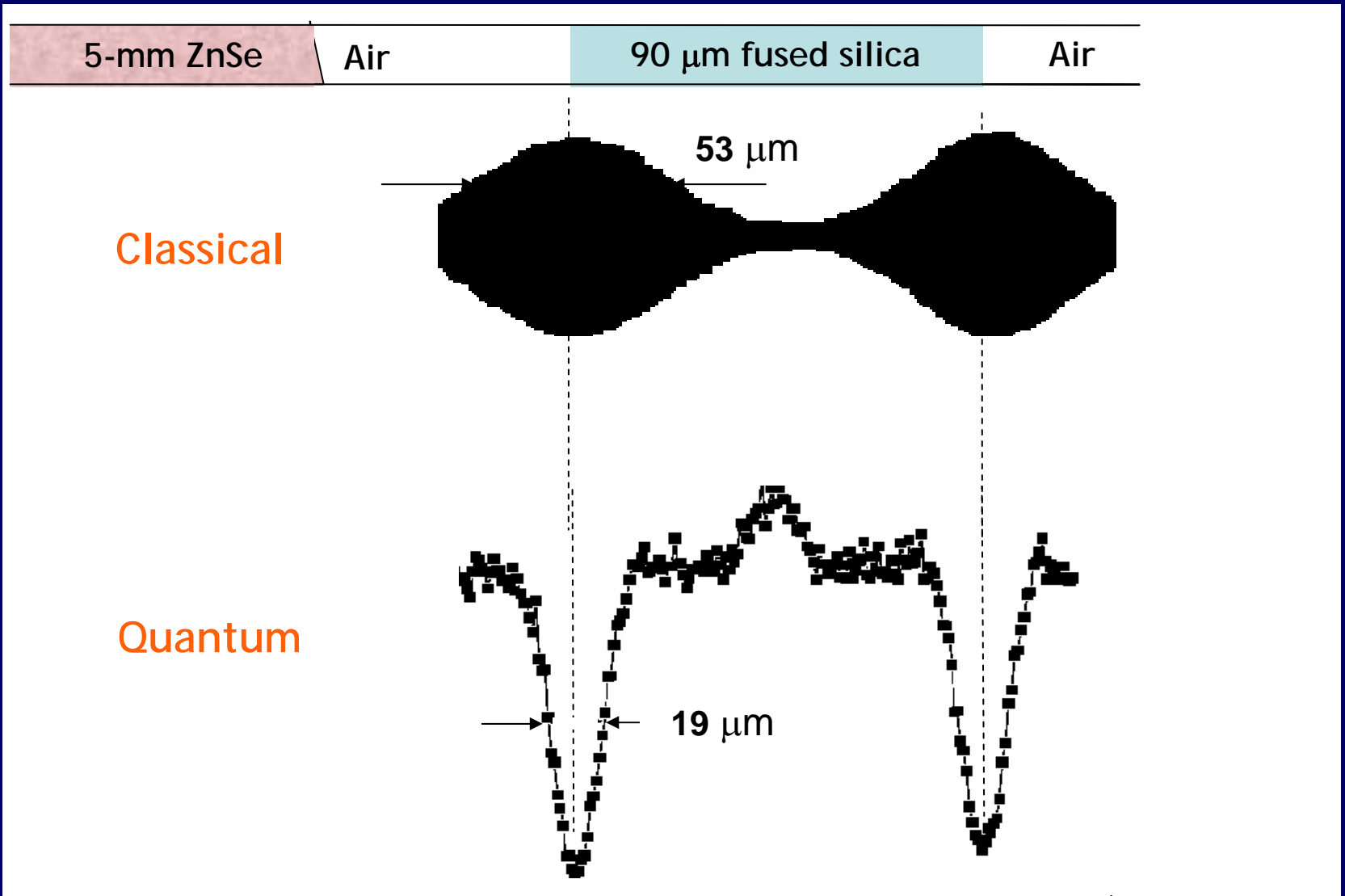
Hong-Ou-Mandel Interferometer

Abouraddy et al. PRA, 053817, 2002

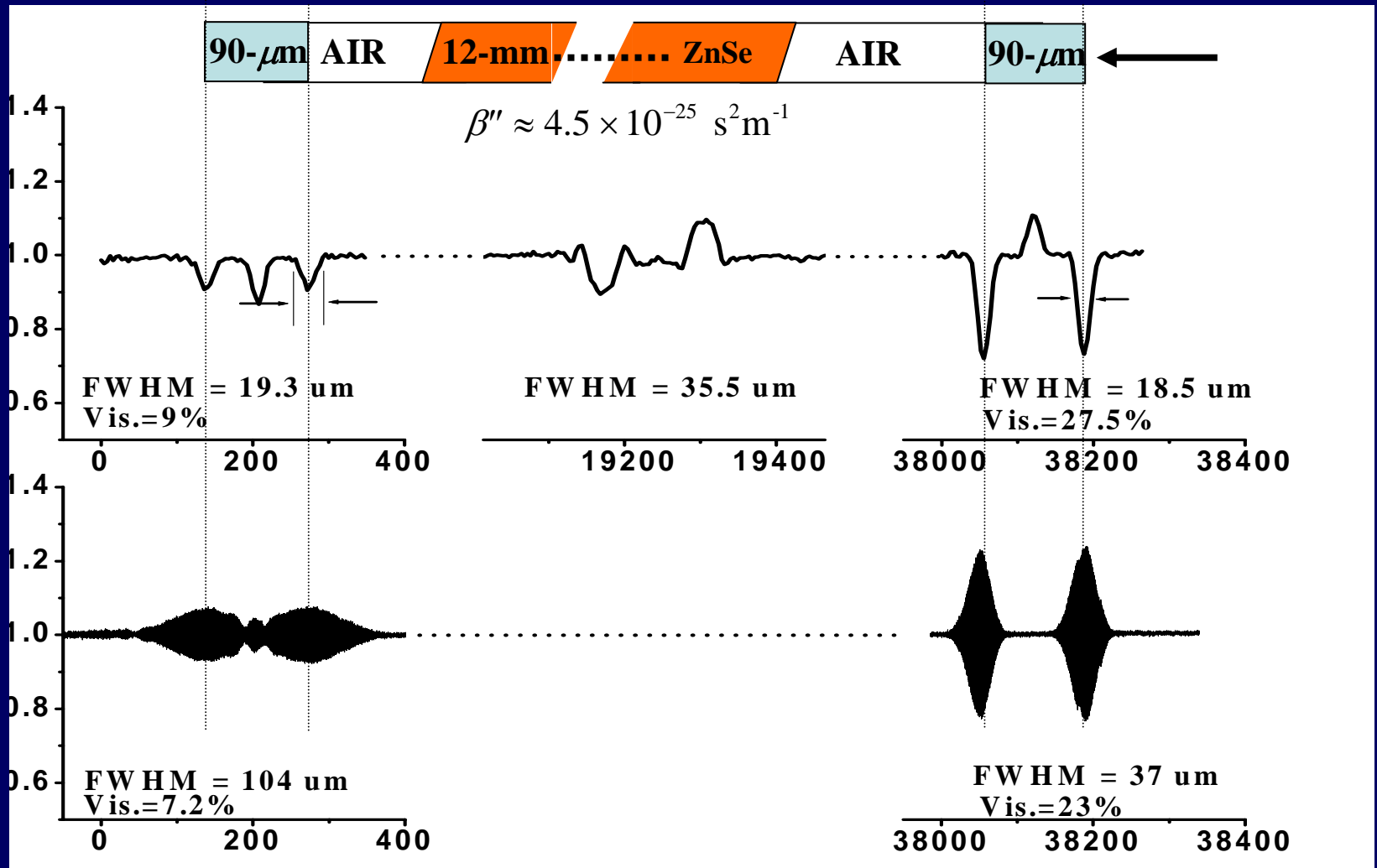
Experiment



Two Boundaries + dispersive layer



Four Boundaries + dispersive medium in-between



The Promise of Q-OCT

- ❑ Q-OCT promises x2 improved axial resolution in comparison with conventional OCT for sources of same spectral bandwidth
- ❑ Self-interference at each boundary is immune to GVD introduced by upper layers
- ❑ Inter-boundary interference is sensitive to dispersion of inter-boundary layers; dispersion parameters can thus be estimated
- ❑ Preliminary experiments demonstrated viability of technique
- ❑ Technique can be extended to transverse imaging (Q-OCM)
- ❑ Technique can be extended to polarization-sensitive Q-OCT

Q-OCT: Challenges & Plans

- ❑ State-of-the-art linewidth is not sufficiently large
(Axial resolution is only $19 \mu\text{m}$).
- ❑ Two-photon flux is low. Duration of experiment is too long.

A better 2-photon source is needed!

Faster broadband single-photon detector is needed!

- ❑ Applications to scattering media (e.g., tissue).
Theoretical & experimental research is necessary.
- ❑ Algorithms for data processing need to be developed.

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Comparison of OCT & QOCT

