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Efficient measurement of high-dimensional quantum states

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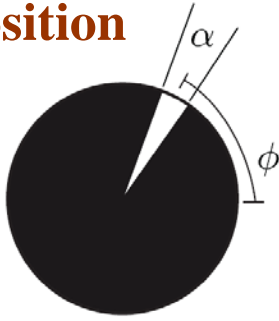
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Efficient measurement of states of light

- in the orbital angular momentum (OAM) basis.
- in the transverse momentum basis.

Orbital angular momentum (OAM) of light

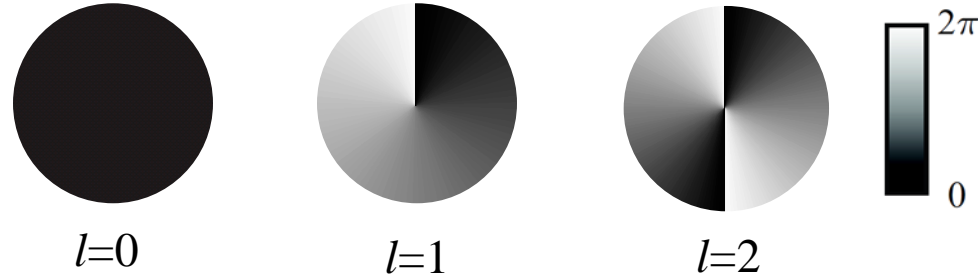
Angular position



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Orbital Angular momentum $\langle \phi | l \rangle = e^{-il\phi}$



Barnett and Pegg, PRA **41**, 3427 (1990)

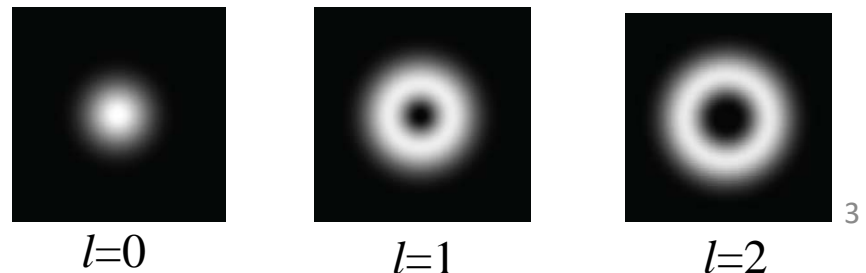
Franke-Arnold et al., New J. Phys. **6**, 103 (2004)

Forbes, Alonso, and Siegman J. Phys. A **36**, 707 (2003)

Laguerre-Gaussian modes are solutions to paraxial Helmholtz Equation

$$\psi_{pl}(\rho, \phi, z) = \frac{C}{(1 + z^2/z_R^2)^{1/2}} \exp \left[i(2p + l + 1) \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{z}{z_R} \right) \right] \left[\frac{\rho/2}{w(z)} \right]^l L_p^l \left[\frac{2\rho^2}{w^2(z)} \right] \times \exp \left[-\frac{\rho^2}{w^2(z)} \right] \exp \left[-\frac{ik^2 \rho^2 z}{2(z^2 + z_R^2)} \right] e^{-il\phi}$$

$$\frac{J_z}{W} = \frac{\iint \rho d\rho d\phi (\mathbf{\rho} \times \langle \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B} \rangle)_z}{c \iint \rho d\rho d\phi \langle \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B} \rangle_z} = \frac{\hbar l}{\hbar \omega}$$

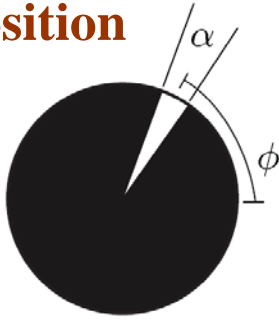


Orbital angular momentum per photon: $\hbar l$

Allen et al., PRA **45**, 8185 (1992)

Orbital angular momentum (OAM) of light

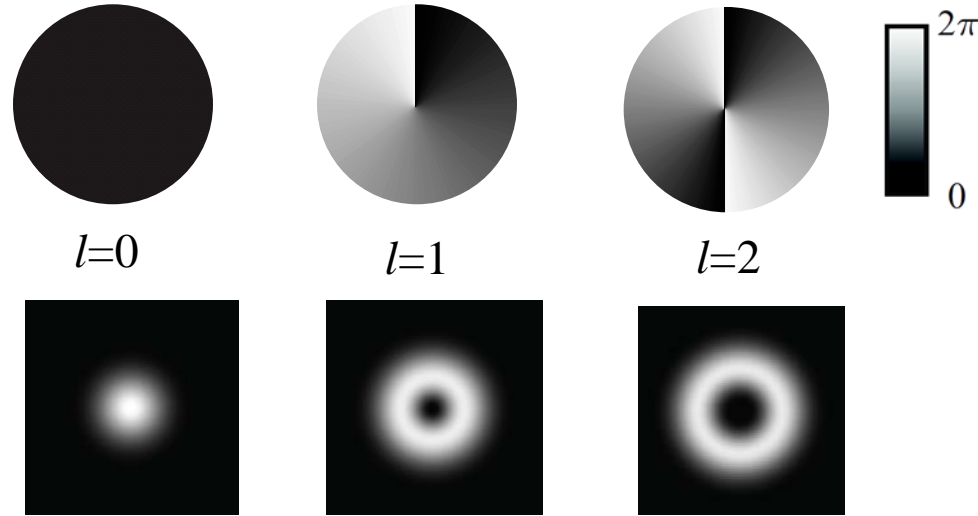
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OAM provides an infinite dimensional discrete basis

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|------------------|---|--|
| Benefits: | (i) higher allowed error rate in cryptography | Phys. Rev. Lett. 88, 127902 (2002). |
| | (ii) higher transmission bandwidth | Phys. Rev. Lett. 90, 167906 (2003). |
| | (iii) Supersensitive angle measurements | Phys. Rev. A 83, 053829 (2011). |
| | (iv) Fundamental tests of quantum mechanics | Phys. Rev. Lett. 85, 4418–4421 (2000). |

States in OAM basis : $\langle \phi | l \rangle = e^{-il\phi}$

State in the OAM basis (classical)

$$\psi(\phi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha_l e^{-il\phi}$$

\longleftrightarrow

State in the OAM basis (quantum)

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha_l |l\rangle$$

Pure States

$$W(\phi_1, \phi_2) = \langle \psi(\phi_1) \psi^*(\phi_2) \rangle_e$$

\longleftrightarrow

$$\rho = \langle |\psi\rangle \langle \psi| \rangle_e$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{l_1, l_2=-\infty}^{\infty} \langle \alpha_{l_1} \alpha_{l_2}^* \rangle_e e^{-i(l_1\phi_1 - l_2\phi_2)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{l_1, l_2=-\infty}^{\infty} \langle \alpha_{l_1} \alpha_{l_2}^* \rangle_e |l_1\rangle \langle l_2|$$

Mixed States

When different OAM eigenmodes are uncorrelated. $\langle \alpha_{l_1} \alpha_{l_2}^* \rangle_e = S_{l_1} \delta_{l_1, l_2}$

$$W(\phi_1, \phi_2) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} S_l e^{-il(\phi_1 - \phi_2)} \longleftrightarrow$$

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} S_l |l\rangle \langle l|$$

Diagonal Mixed States

$$W(\Delta\phi) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} S_l e^{-il\Delta\phi} \Rightarrow$$

$$S_l = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W(\Delta\phi) e^{il\Delta\phi} d\phi$$

Angular Wiener-Khintchine theorem

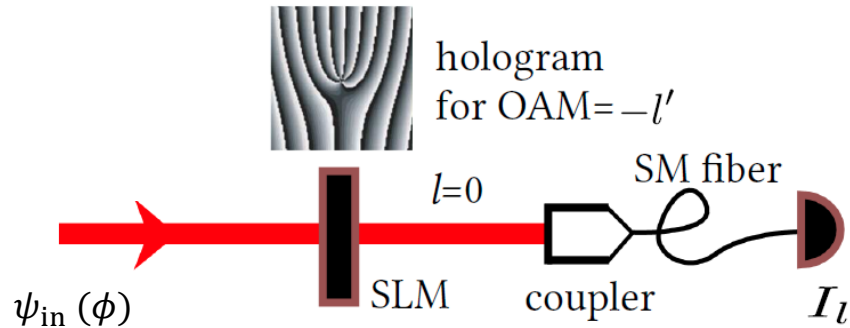
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Angular correlation function

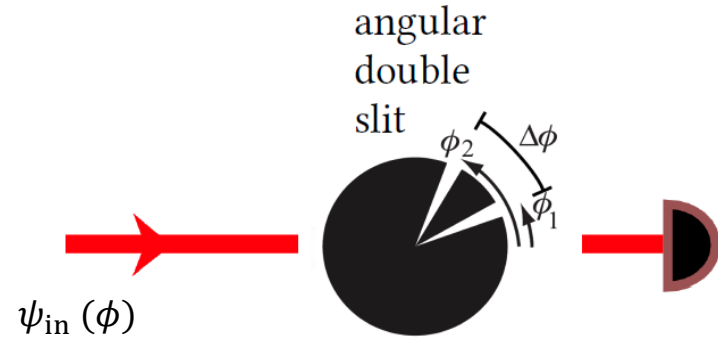
OAM spectrum

**Aim: Measure the angular correlation function $W(\phi_1, \phi_2)$
For diagonal states it yields the OAM spectrum**

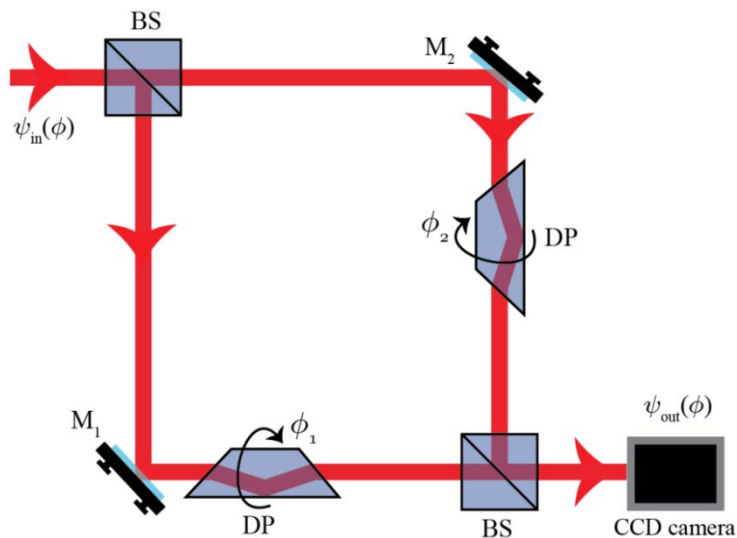
Existing methods for measuring OAM spectrum of Light



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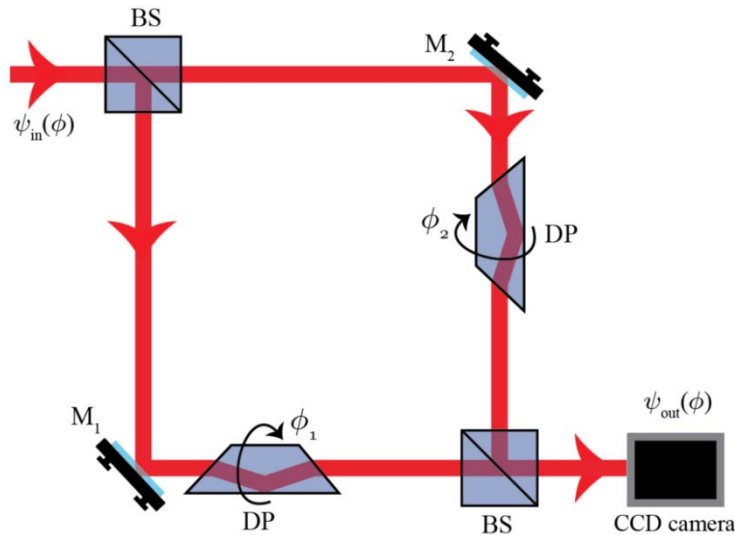
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State in the OAM basis

$$\psi_{\text{in}}(\phi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha_l e^{-il\phi}$$

Uncorrelated eigenmodes: $\langle \alpha_{l_1} \alpha_{l_2}^* \rangle_e = S_{l_1} \delta_{l_1, l_2}$

$$W(\Delta\phi) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} S_l e^{-il\Delta\phi} \Rightarrow S_l = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W(\Delta\phi) e^{il\Delta\phi} d\phi$$



$$\psi_{\text{out}}(\phi) = \sqrt{k_1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha_l e^{-il(\phi+\phi_1)+i\omega t_1} + \sqrt{k_2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha_l e^{-il(\phi+\phi_2)+i\omega t_2}$$

$$I_{\text{out}}(\phi) = \langle \psi_{\text{out}}(\phi) \psi_{\text{out}}^*(\phi) \rangle_e = \frac{k_1 + k_2}{2\pi} + 2\sqrt{k_1 k_2} W(\Delta\phi) \cos \delta$$

$$\delta \equiv \omega(t_1 - t_2)$$

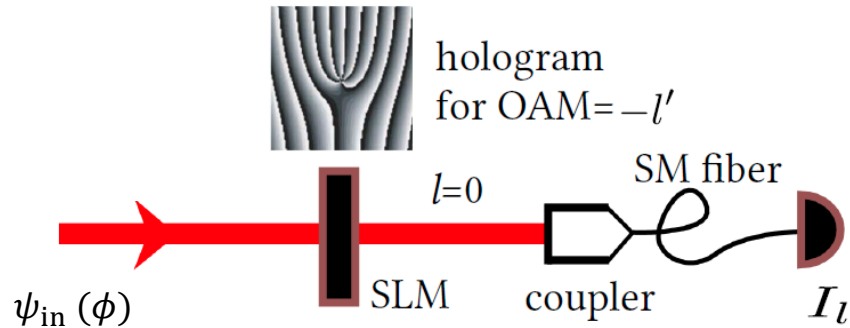
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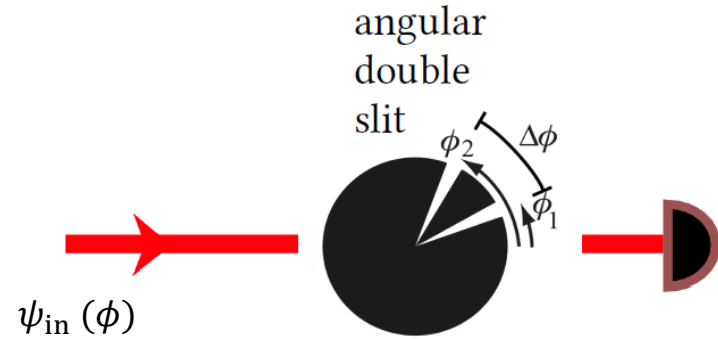
Visibility: $V = \frac{[I_{\text{out}}(\phi)]_{\text{max}} - [I_{\text{out}}(\phi)]_{\text{min}}}{[I_{\text{out}}(\phi)]_{\text{max}} + [I_{\text{out}}(\phi)]_{\text{min}}} = \frac{4\pi\sqrt{k_1 k_2}}{k_1 + k_2} W(\Delta\phi) \propto W(\Delta\phi)$

- By measuring V , $W(\Delta\phi)$ can be measured
- From $W(\Delta\phi)$, S_l can be computed

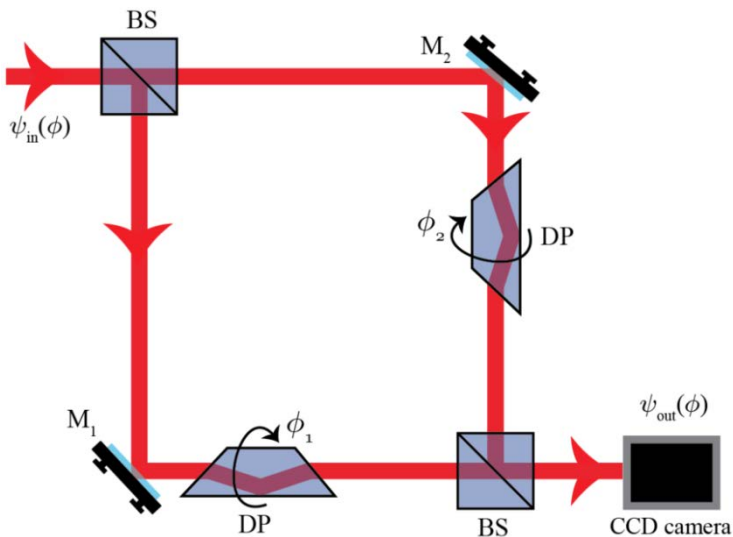
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$$V = \frac{4\pi\sqrt{k_1 k_2}}{k_1 + k_2} W(\Delta\phi)$$

Limitations:

- Efficiency/purity issues
- Too much loss
- Stringent alignment requirements
- Sensitive to background noise and other experimental parameters

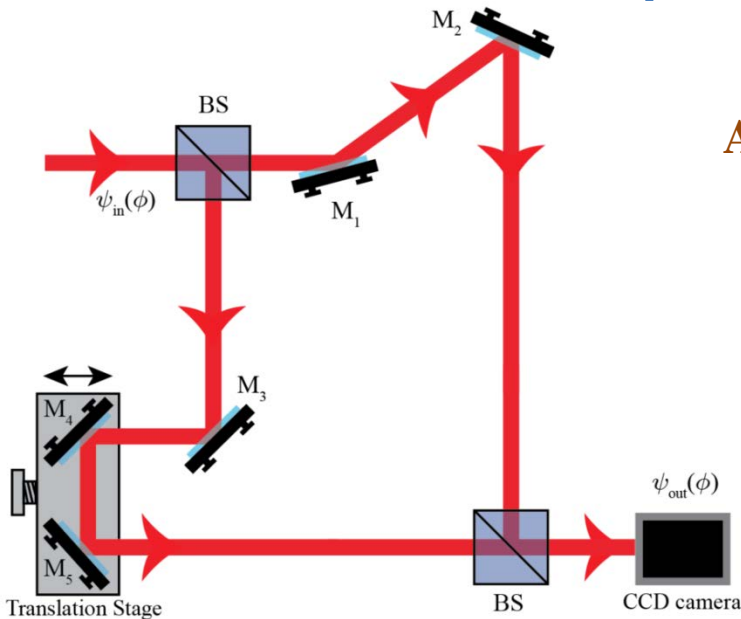
Measuring Orbital Angular Momentum of Light (A new scheme)

State in the OAM basis

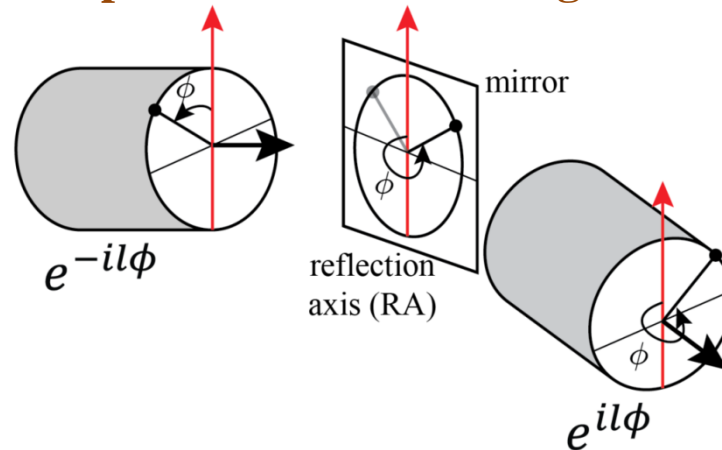
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Uncorrelated eigenmodes:

$$W(\Delta\phi) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} S_l e^{-il\Delta\phi} \Rightarrow S_l = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} W(\Delta\phi) e^{il\Delta\phi} d\phi$$



A reflection flips the wave-front along the reflection axis



$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{\text{out}}(\phi) = & \sqrt{k_1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha_l e^{-il\phi + i\omega t_1} \\ & + \sqrt{k_2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha_l e^{+il\phi + i\omega t_2} \end{aligned}$$

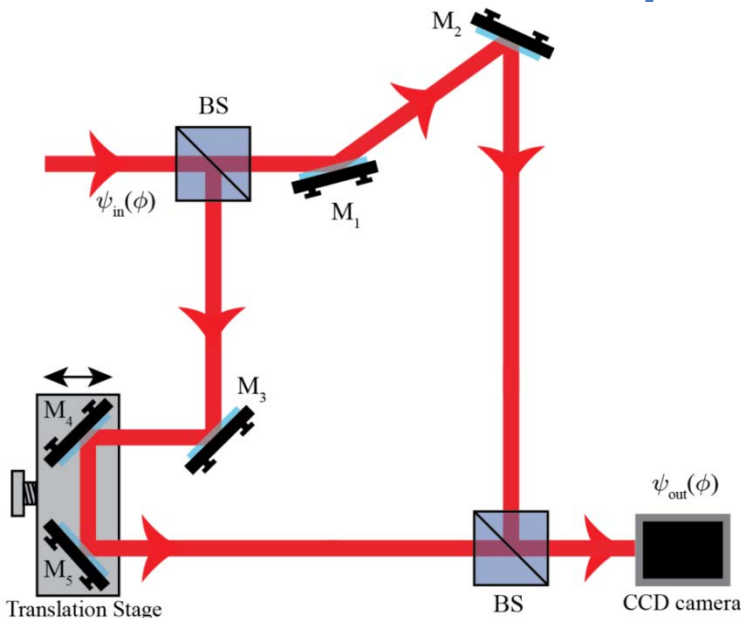
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$$\delta \equiv \omega(t_1 - t_2)$$

- $W(2\phi)$ gets encoded in the interferogram.
So, a single-shot measurement of $I_{\text{out}}(\phi)$ yields $W(2\phi)$
- From $W(\Delta\phi)$, S_l can be computed, in a single shot manner.
- Still sensitive to background noise and other experimental parameters

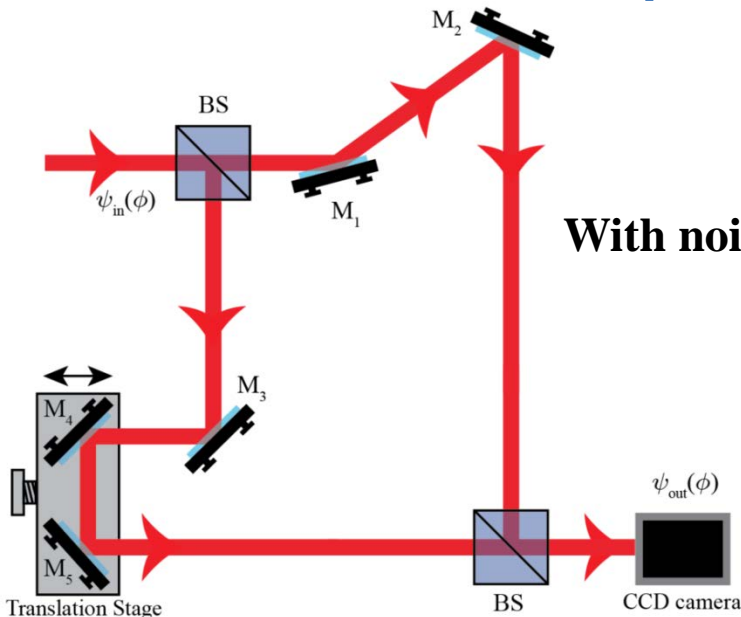
Measuring OAM spectrum of Light (in a noise-insensitive manner)

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Uncorrelated eigenmodes:

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With noise: $I_{\text{out}}^{\delta}(\phi) = I_n^{\delta}(\phi) + \frac{k_1 + k_2}{2\pi} + 2\sqrt{k_1 k_2} W(2\phi) \cos \delta$

$$\Delta I_{\text{out}}(\phi) \equiv I_{\text{out}}^{\delta_c}(\phi) - I_{\text{out}}^{\delta_d}(\phi)$$

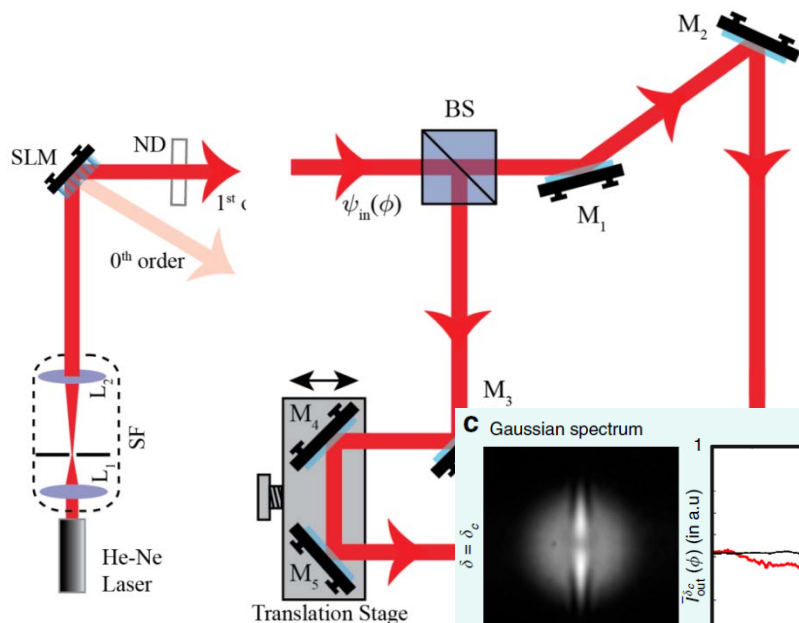
$$\Delta I_{\text{out}}(\phi) = \Delta I_n(\phi) + 2\sqrt{k_1 k_2} W(2\phi) (\cos \delta_c - \cos \delta_d)$$

If shot-to-shot noise is the same: $\Delta I_n(\phi) = 0$

Then: $\Delta I_{\text{out}}(\phi) = 2\sqrt{k_1 k_2} (\cos \delta_c - \cos \delta_d) W(2\phi) \propto W(2\phi)$

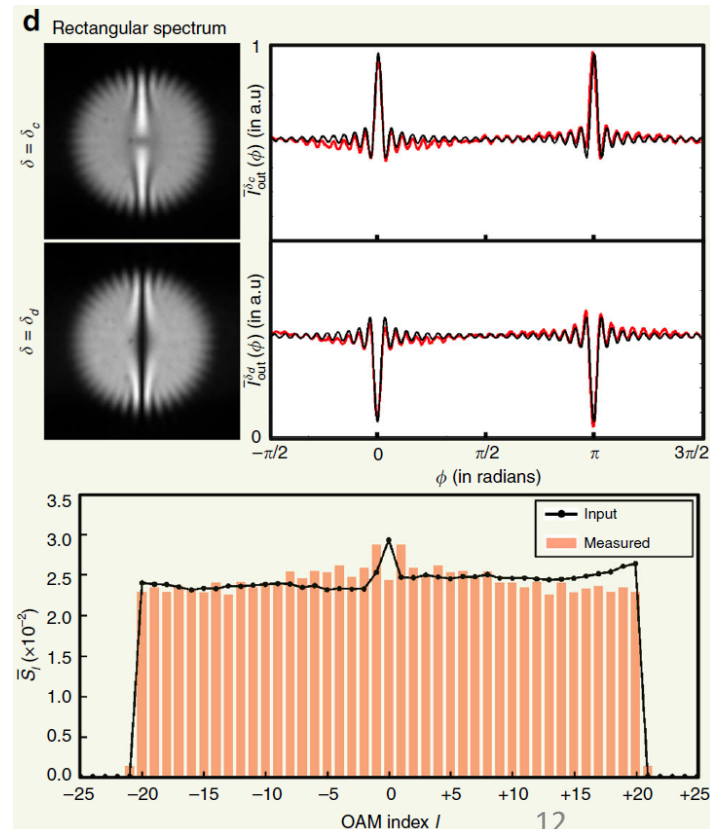
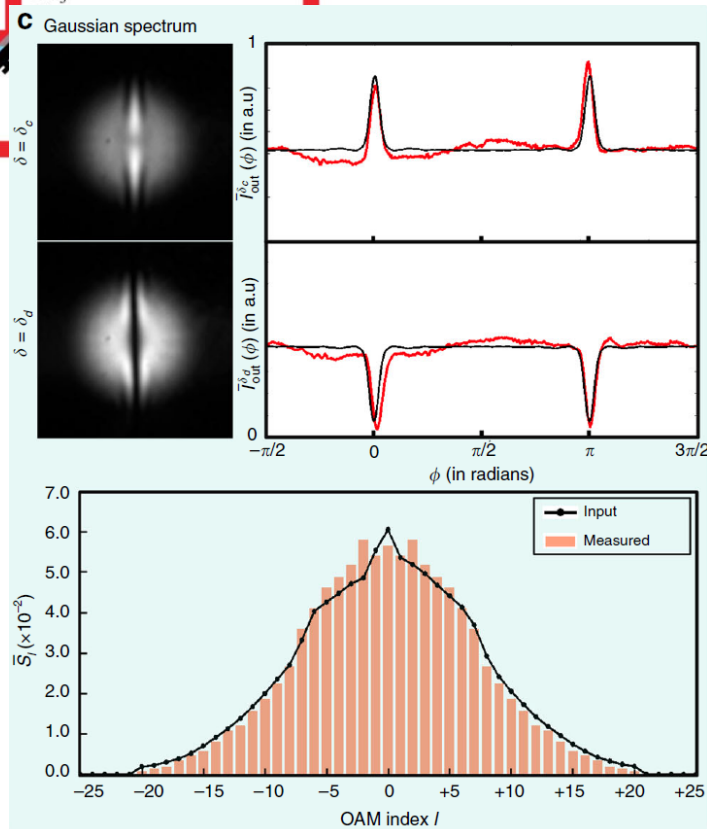
- $\Delta I_{\text{out}}(\phi)$ has the same functional form as $W(2\phi)$.
- So by measuring $\Delta I_{\text{out}}(\phi)$ the spectrum S_l can be obtained in a single-shot as well as in a noise-insensitive manner

Experimental measurement of OAM spectrum of Light (classical)

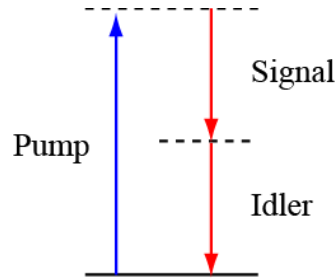
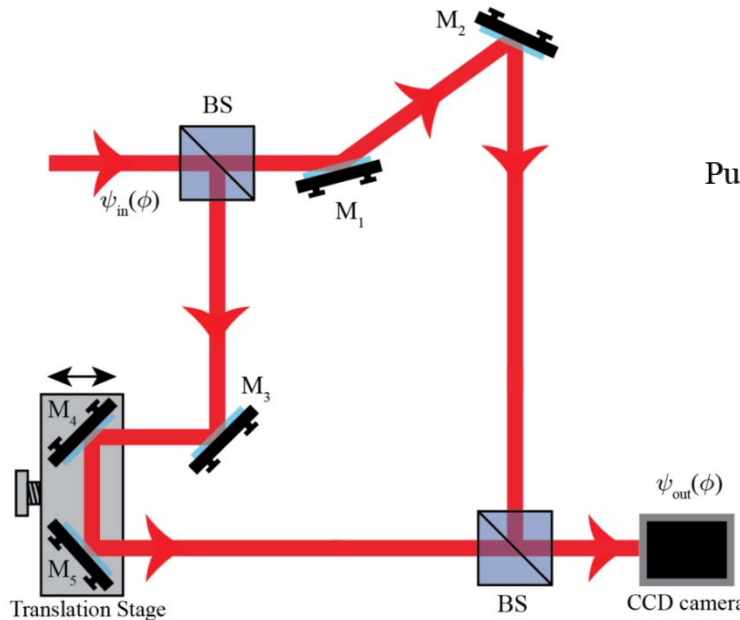


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Measuring Orbital Angular Momentum of Light (Quantum)



$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \sqrt{S_l} |l\rangle_s | -l\rangle_i$$

OAM-Entangled State:

- S_l is called the angular Schmidt spectrum
- Very important to have an accurate measurement of S_l
- The current methods involve coincidence measurements, which is very difficult.

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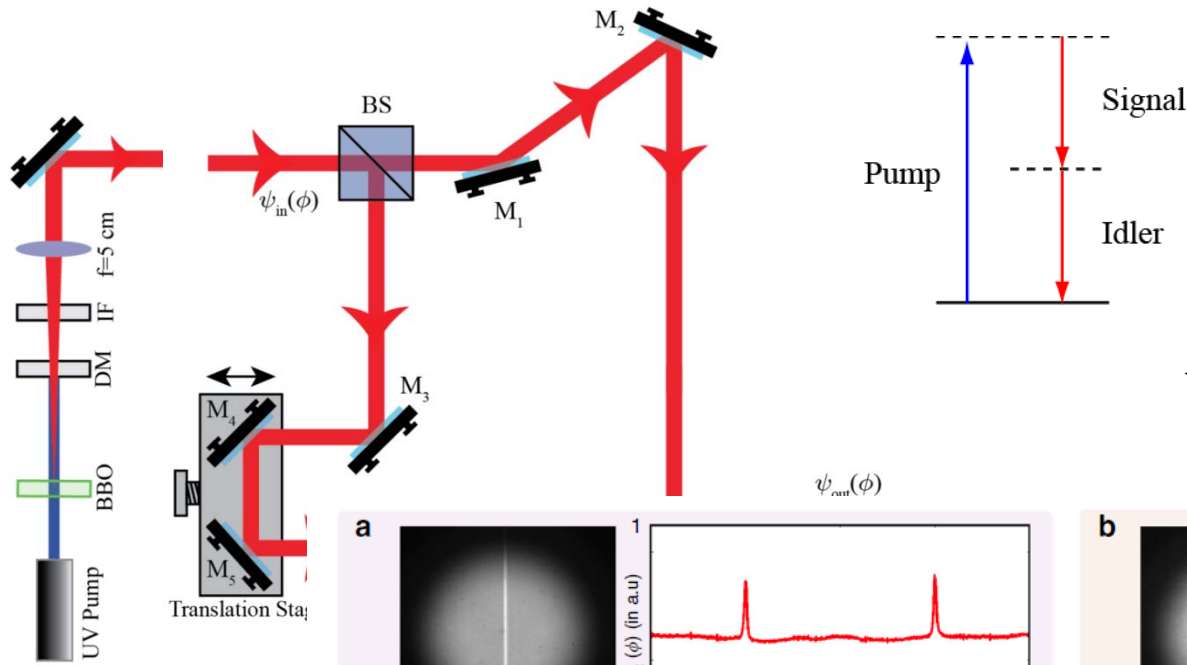
Angular coherence function of the signal photon is

$$W_S(\phi_1, \phi_2) \rightarrow W_S(\Delta\phi) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} S_l e^{-il\Delta\phi}$$

- The OAM spectrum of signal photon is same as the angular Schmidt spectrum of the entangled state

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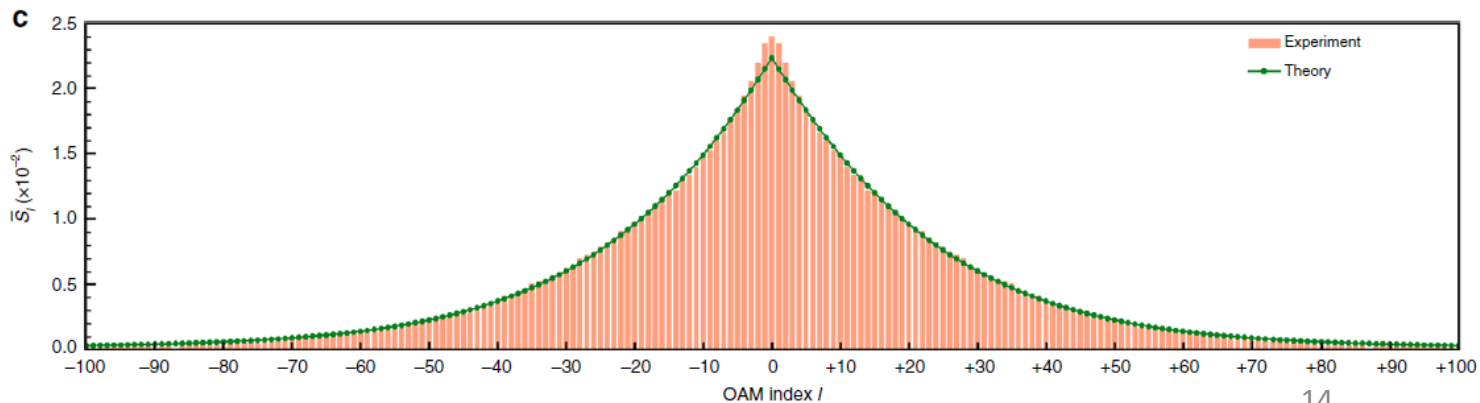
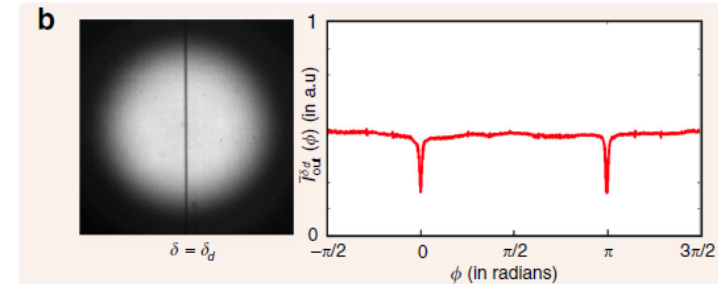
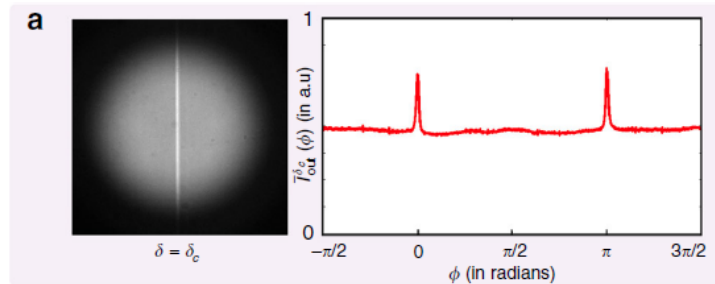
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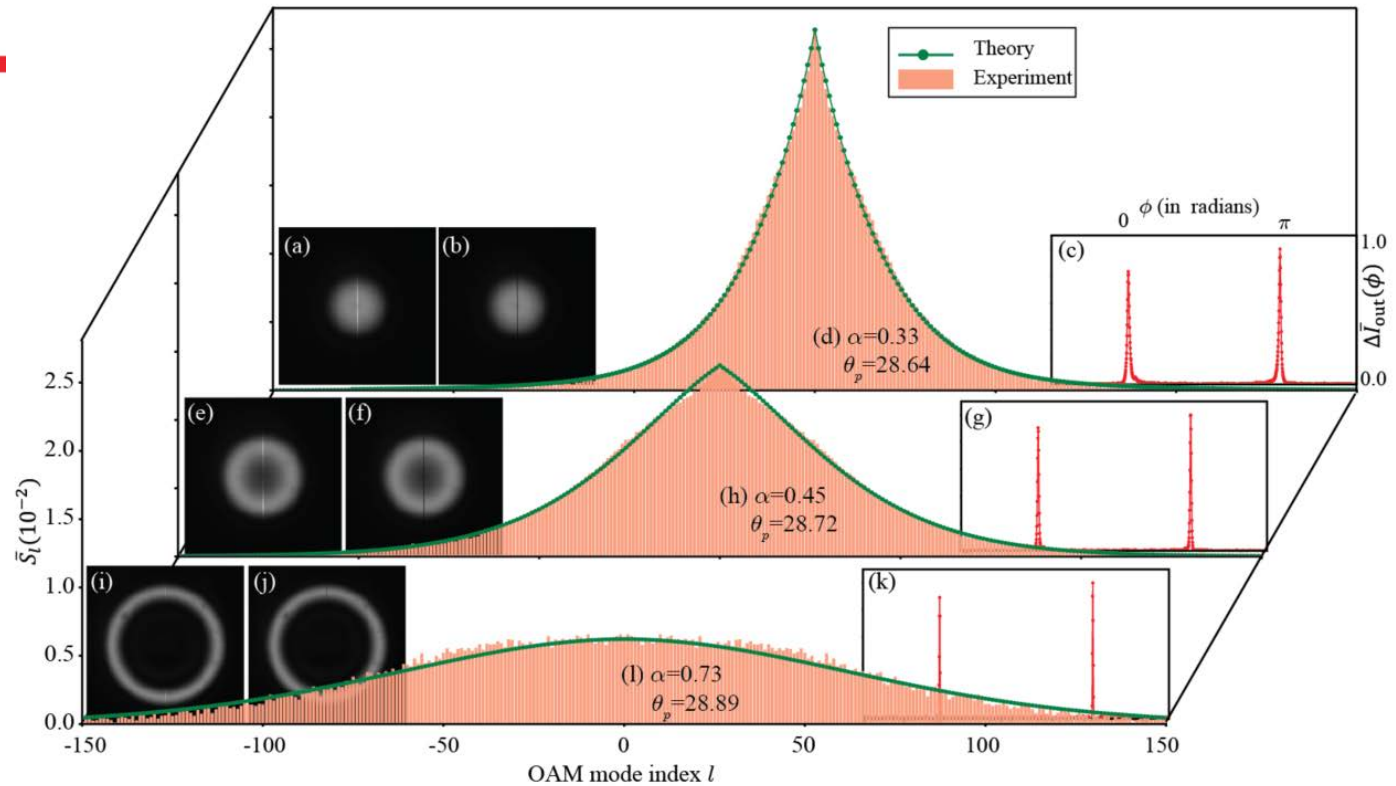
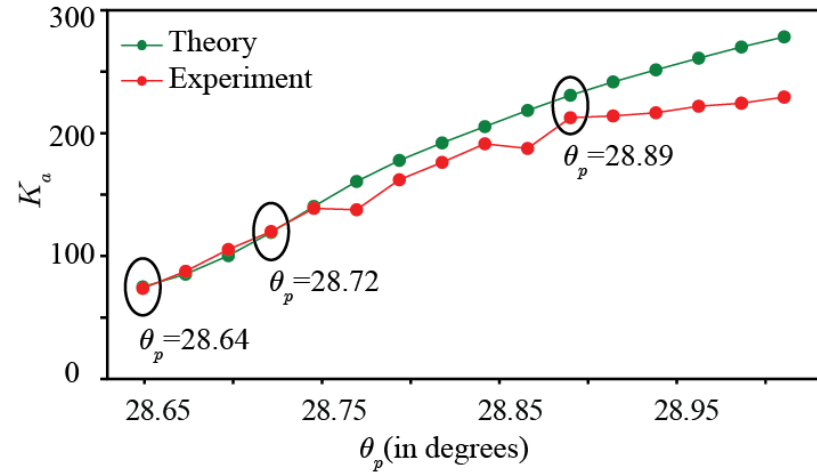
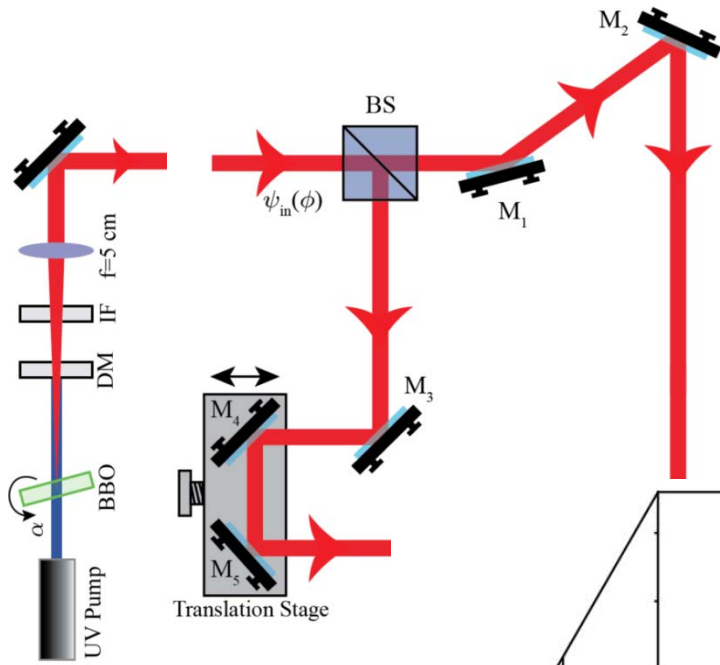


Schmidt Number

$$K = \frac{1}{\sum_l S_l^2}$$

$$K = 82.1$$

Measuring Orbital Angular Momentum of Light (Quantum)



States in transverse momentum basis: $\langle \boldsymbol{\rho} | \mathbf{q} \rangle = e^{i \mathbf{q} \cdot \boldsymbol{\rho}}$

State in the transverse momentum basis

$$V(\boldsymbol{\rho}, z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a(\mathbf{q}) e^{i \mathbf{q} \cdot \boldsymbol{\rho}} e^{-\frac{i q^2 z}{2k_0 z}} d\mathbf{q}$$

When the eigenmodes are uncorrelated. $\langle a^*(\mathbf{q}_1) a(\mathbf{q}_2) \rangle_e = I(\mathbf{q}_1) \delta(\mathbf{q}_1 - \mathbf{q}_2)$ **Diagonal**
Mixed States

$$W(\boldsymbol{\rho}_1, \boldsymbol{\rho}_2, z) = \langle V^*(\boldsymbol{\rho}_1, z) V(\boldsymbol{\rho}_2, z) \rangle_e$$

$$\rightarrow W(\Delta \boldsymbol{\rho}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} I(\mathbf{q}) e^{-i \mathbf{q} \cdot \Delta \boldsymbol{\rho}} d\mathbf{q}$$

Spatial Wiener-Khintchine theorem

Spatial correlation
function

Spectral
Intensity

- Such partially coherent fields have propagation-invariant spatial correlation function
- The correlation function is the Fourier transform of the spectral intensity
- Partially coherence fields are extremely important for imaging through scattering, etc.

B. Redding, M. A. Choma, and H. Cao, Nature Photonics 6, 355 (2012).

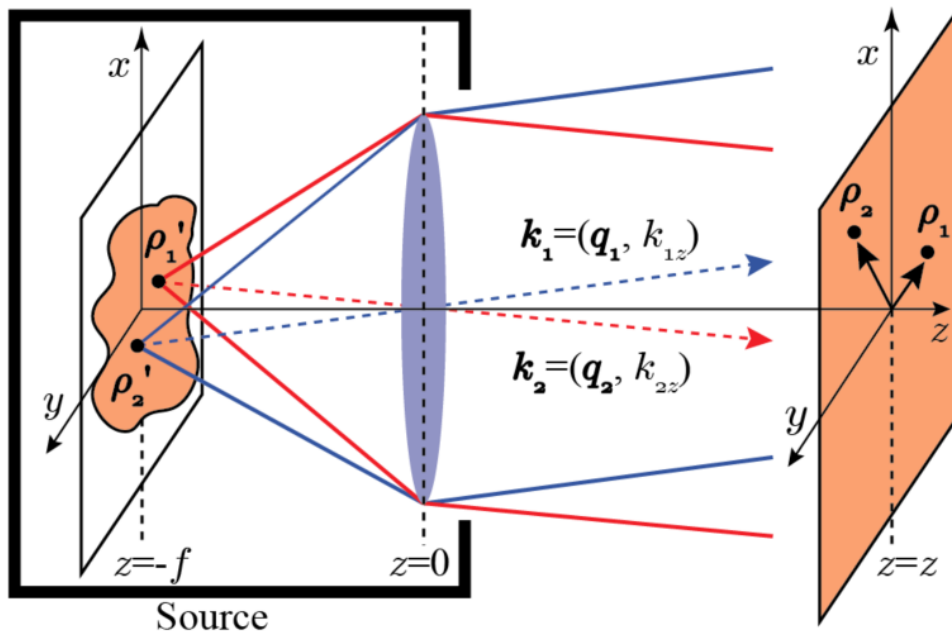
Aim: Measure the spatial correlation function $W(\boldsymbol{\phi}_1, \boldsymbol{\phi}_2)$

For diagonal states it yields the spectral intensity

Efficient generation of spatially partially coherent field

How to produce partially coherent field?

- Most light sources (sunlight, light bulbs, etc.)
- Take a spatially coherent field and introduce randomness to it.
 - Phys. Rev. A **43**, 7079 (1991).
 - Opt. Express **13**, 9629 (2005).
 - Opt. Lett. **38**, 3452 (2013).
 - Opt. Lett **39**, 769 (2014)
- Start from a planar incoherent source



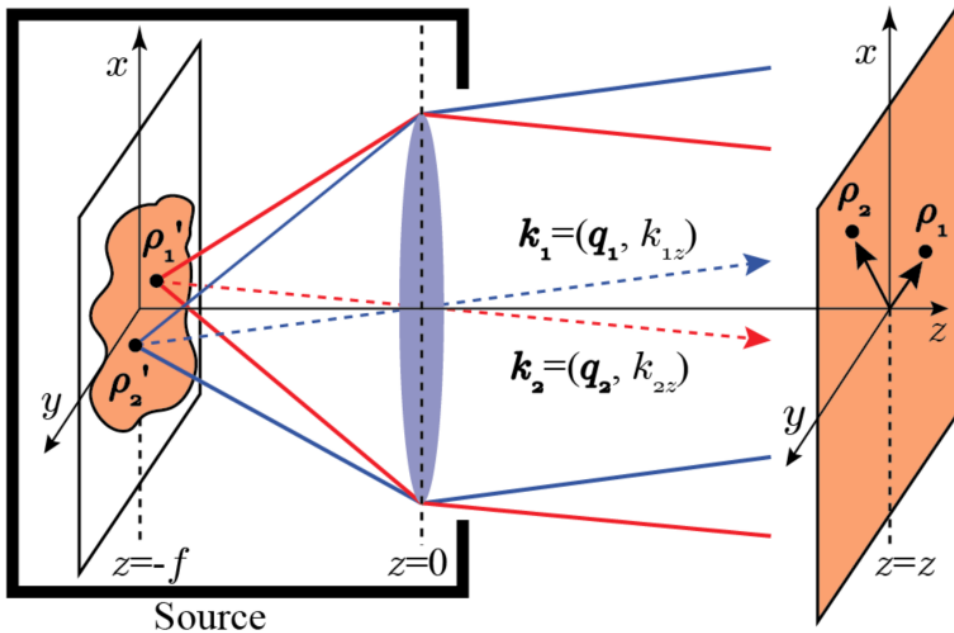
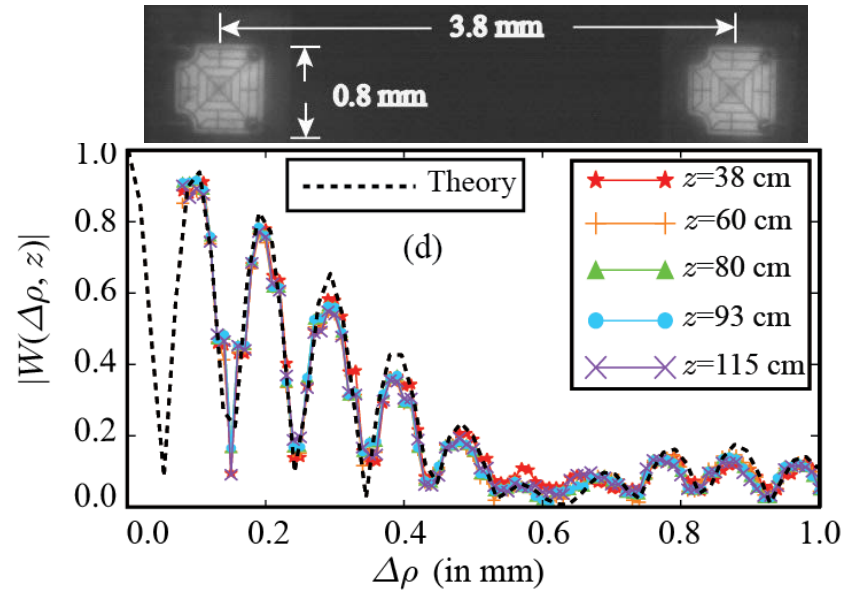
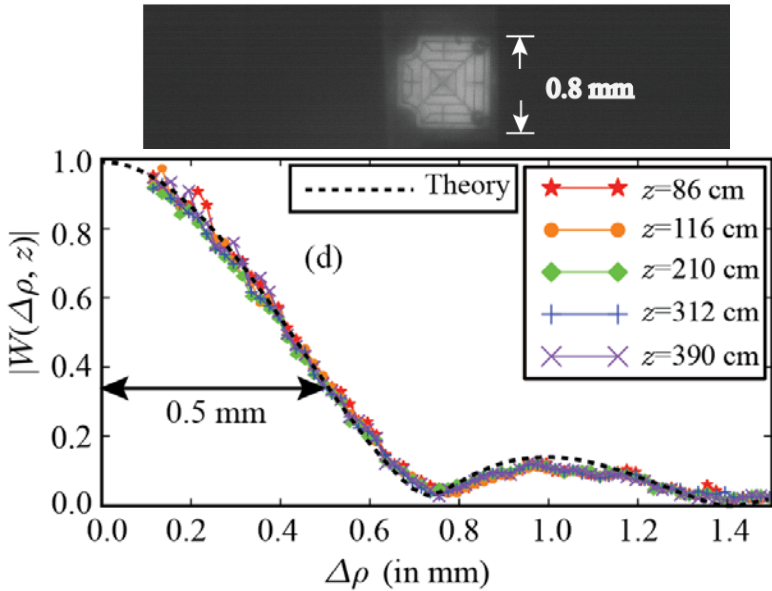
$$\langle V^*(\rho'_1)V(\rho'_2) \rangle_e = I_s(\rho'_1)\delta(\rho'_1 - \rho'_2)$$

$$\langle a^*(\mathbf{q}_1)a(\mathbf{q}_2) \rangle_e = I(\mathbf{q}_1)\delta(\mathbf{q}_1 - \mathbf{q}_2)$$

Diagonal Mixed States

$$W(\Delta\rho) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} I(\mathbf{q})e^{-i\mathbf{q}\cdot\Delta\rho} d\mathbf{q}$$

Efficient generation of spatially partially coherent field



How do we measure the spatial correlation function?

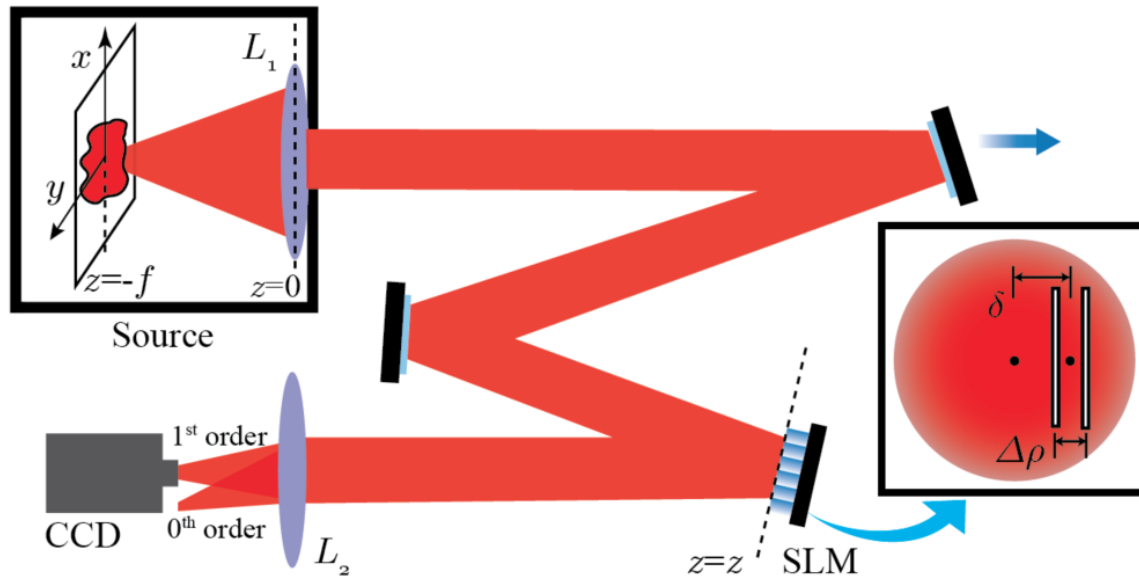
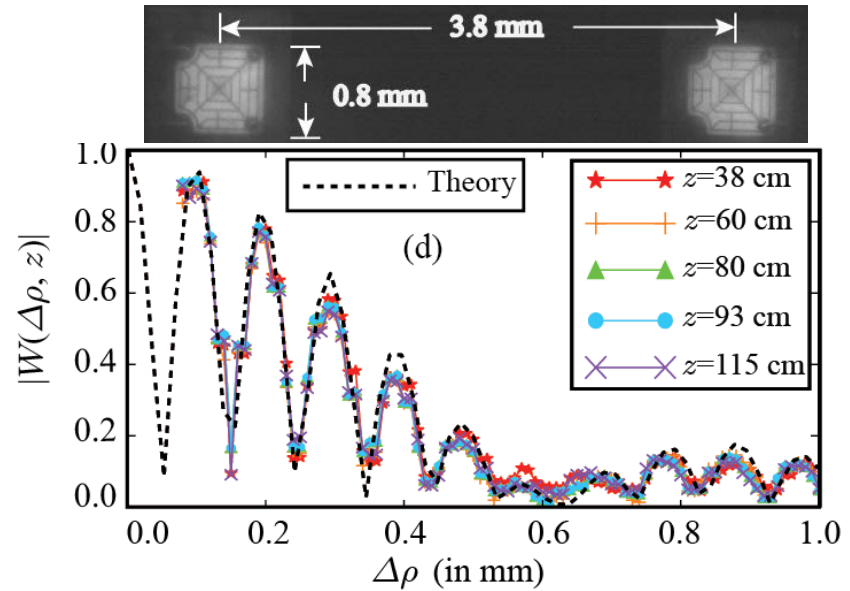
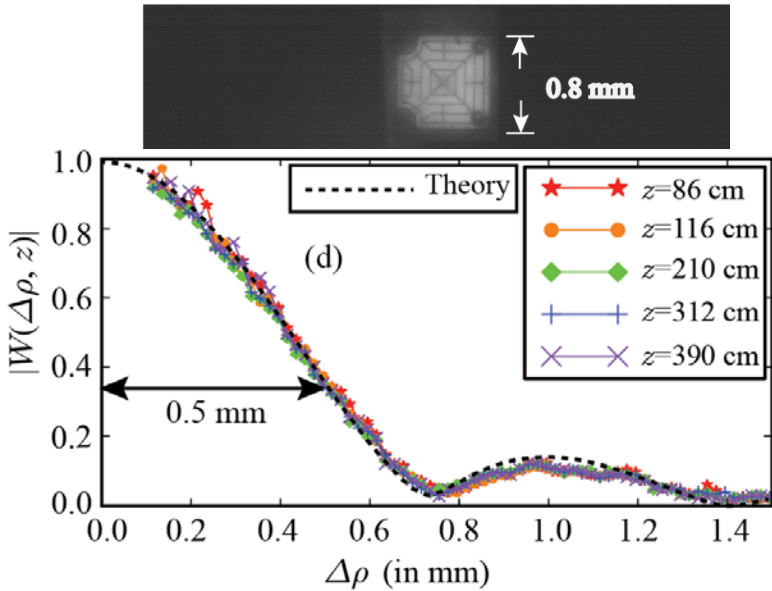
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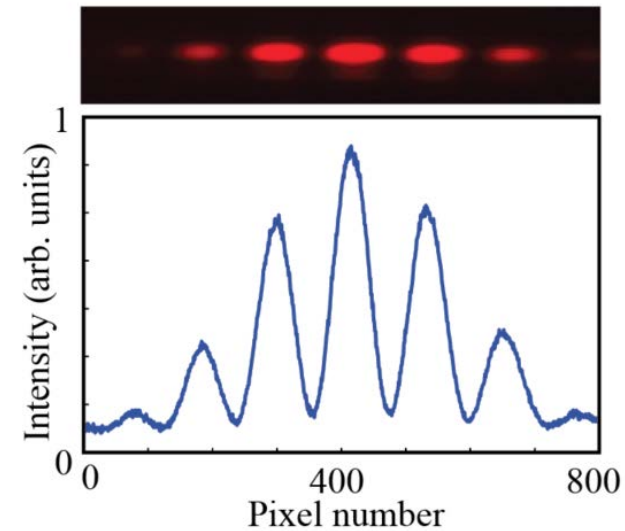
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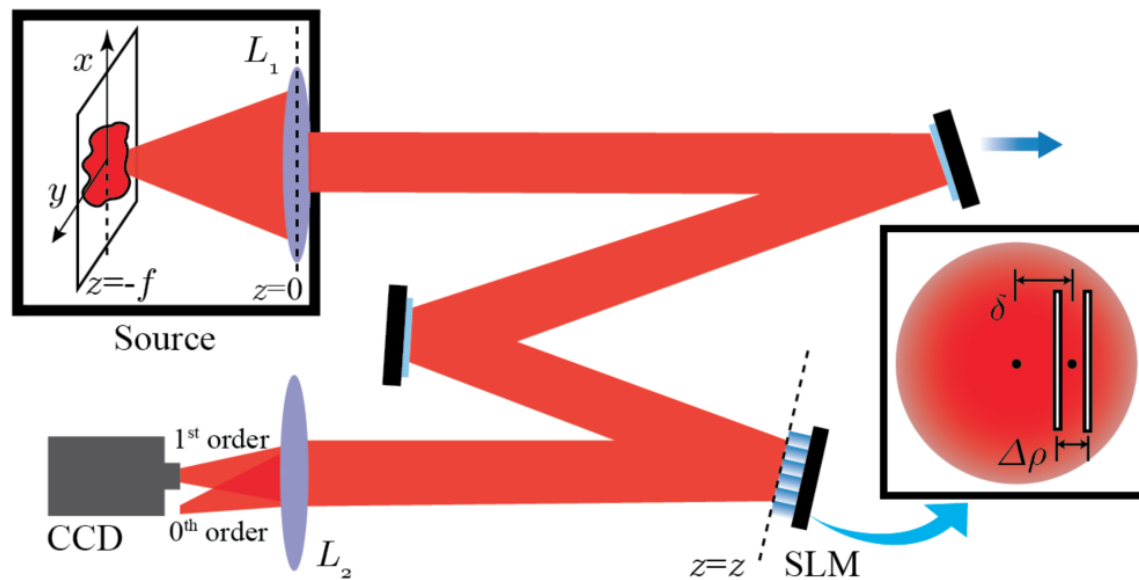


How do we measure the spatial correlation function?

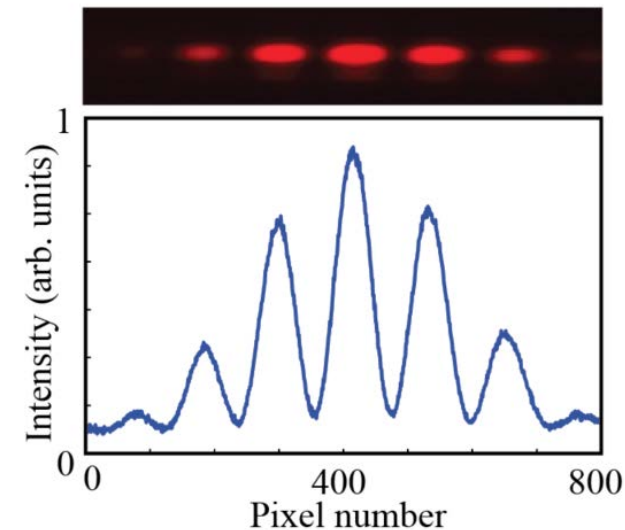


Conventional methods for measuring spatially partially coherent field

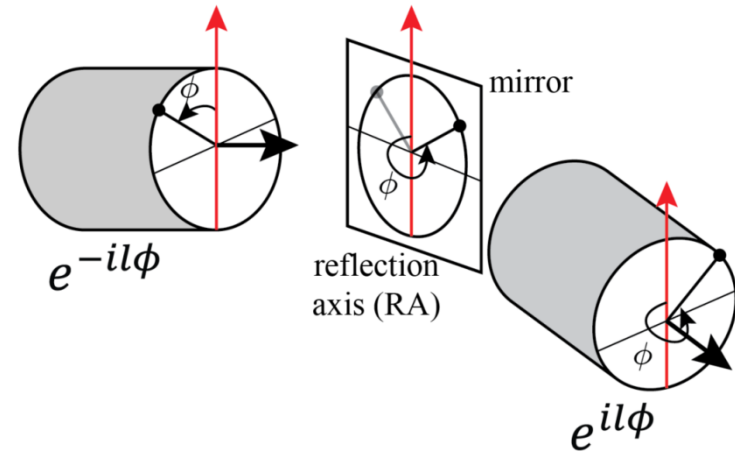
This is not a very efficient method for measuring spatial correlation functions.



How do we measure the spatial correlation function?

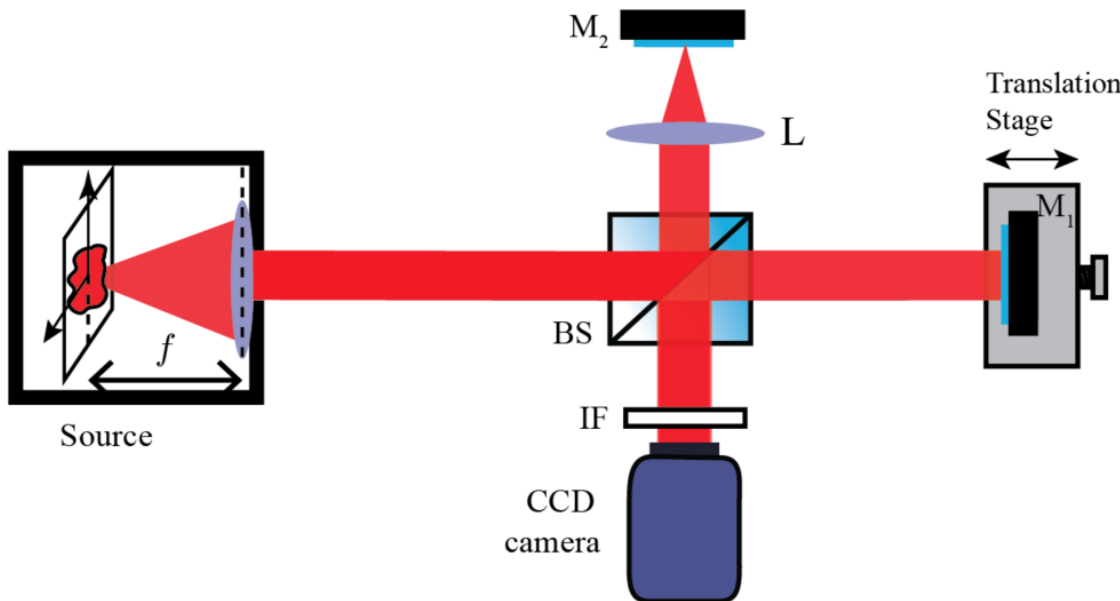


Single-shot technique for measuring the spatial correlation function

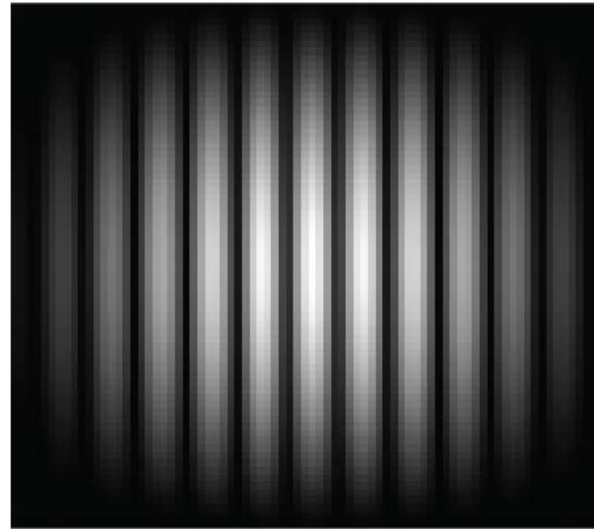


A reflection flips the wave-front along the reflection axis

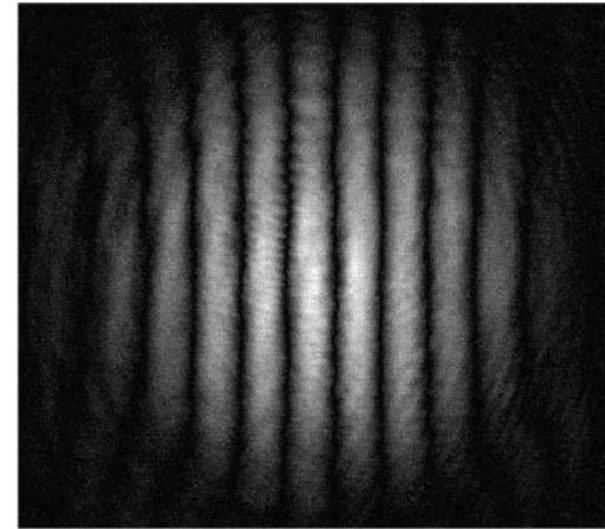
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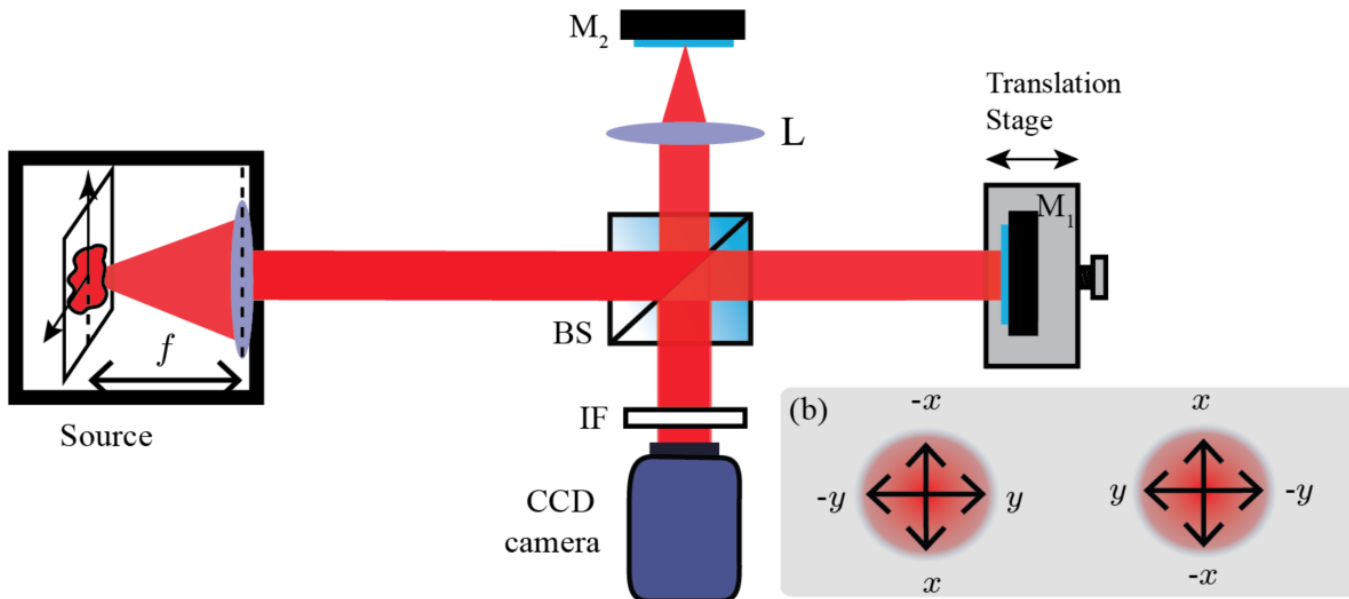
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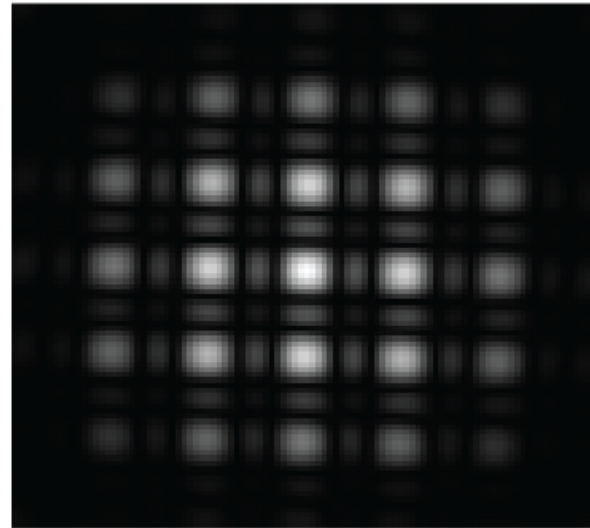
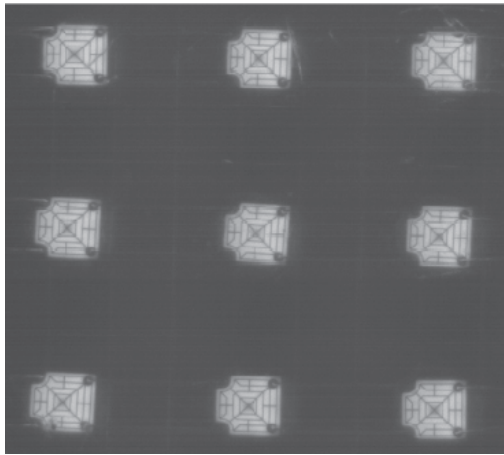


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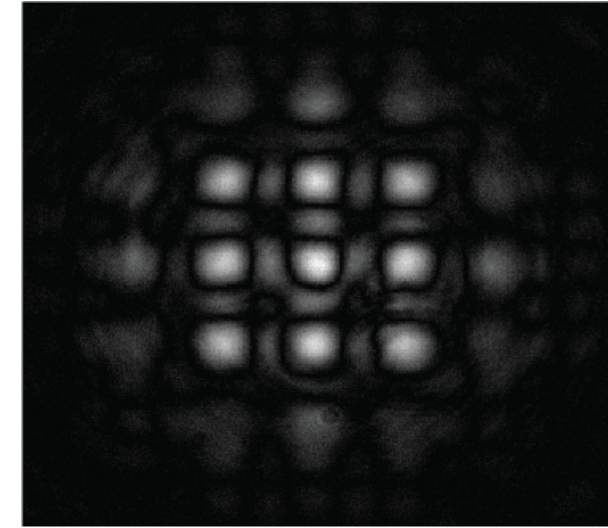


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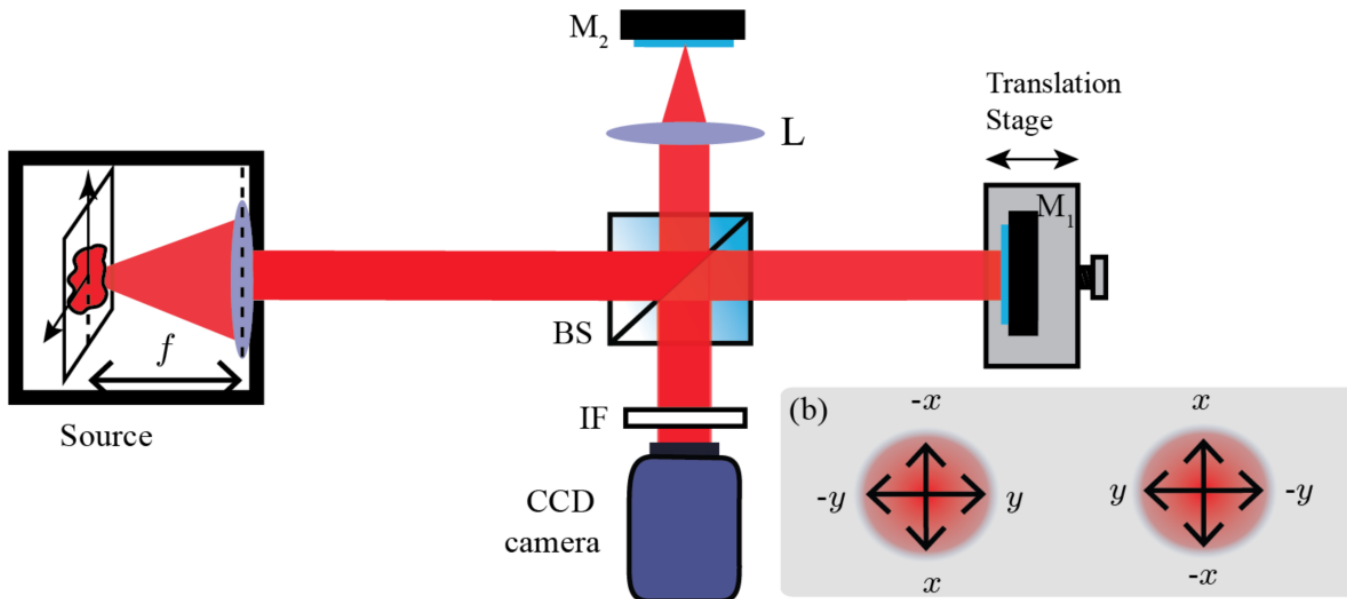
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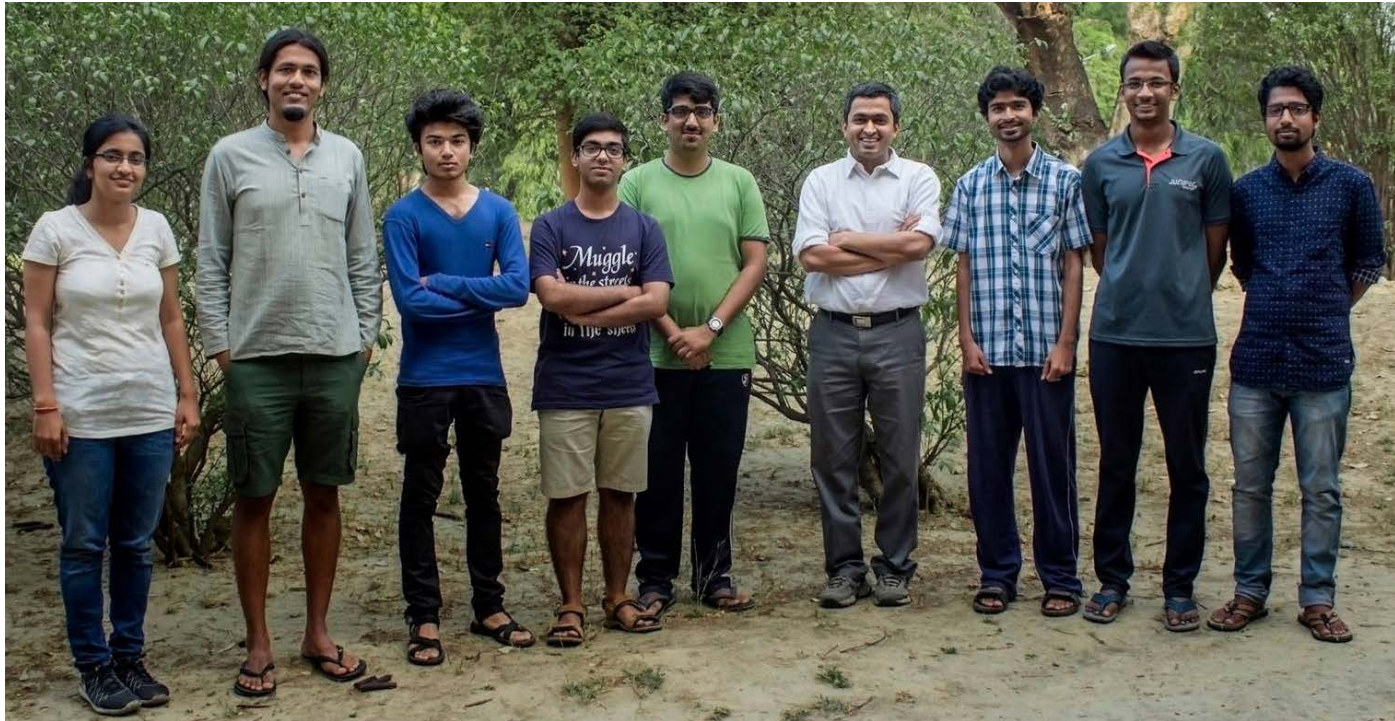
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Conclusions

- Demonstrated a single-shot technique for measuring the angular correlation function.
- For diagonal mixed states, the angular correlation function yields the OAM spectrum through a Fourier transform.
- The technique can be used for measuring the angular Schmidt spectrum of OAM-entangled states in a single-shot manner without requiring coincidence detection.
- Extended the technique for measuring the spatial correlation function in a single-shot manner.

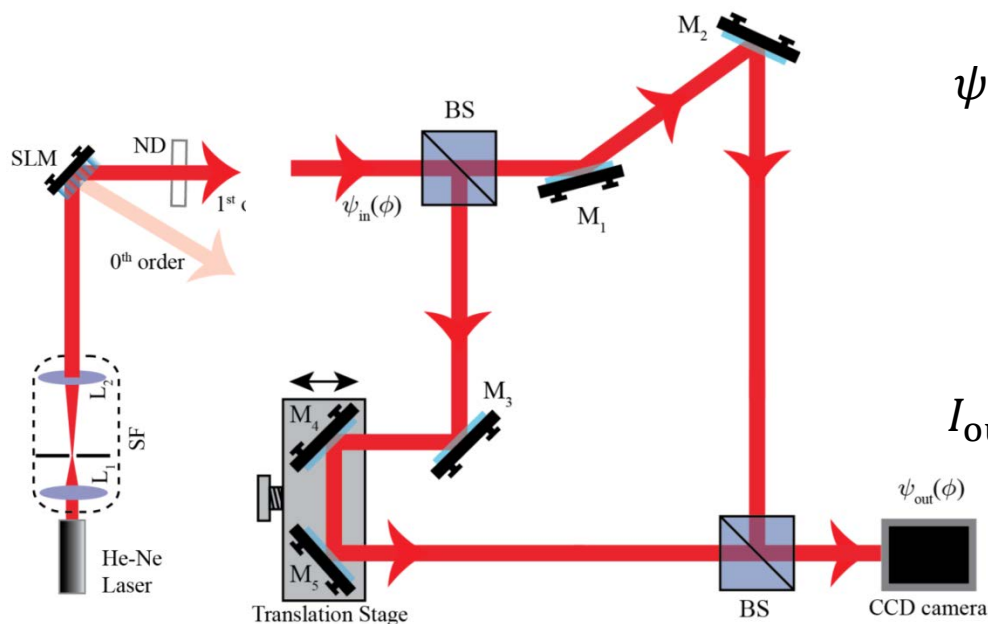
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Experimental measurement of OAM spectrum of Light (classical)



$$\psi_{\text{out}}(\phi) = \sqrt{k_1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha_l e^{-il\phi + i\omega t_1} + \sqrt{k_2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha_l e^{+il\phi + i\omega t_2}$$

$$I_{\text{out}}(\phi) = \frac{k_1 + k_2}{2\pi} + 2\sqrt{k_1 k_2} W(2\phi) \cos \delta$$

