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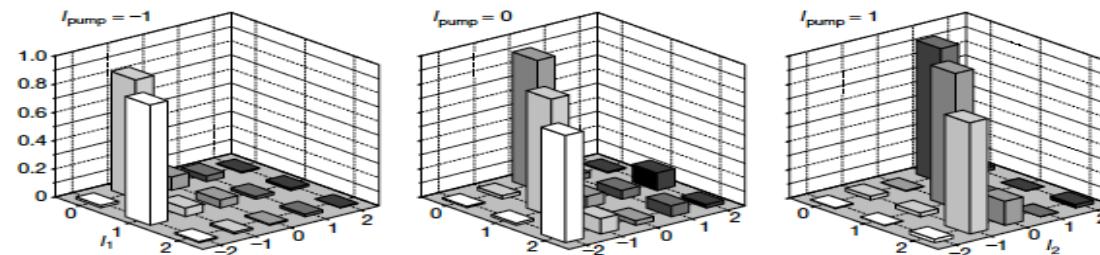
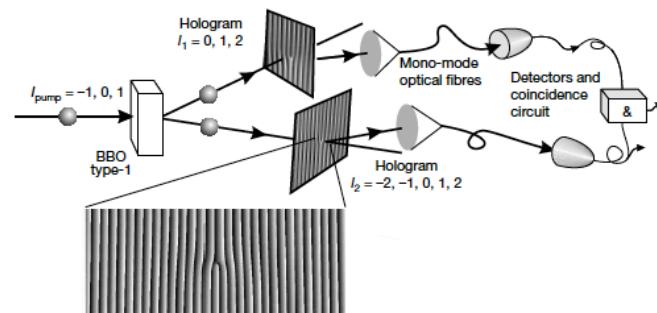
Background

Entanglement of the orbital angular momentum states of photons

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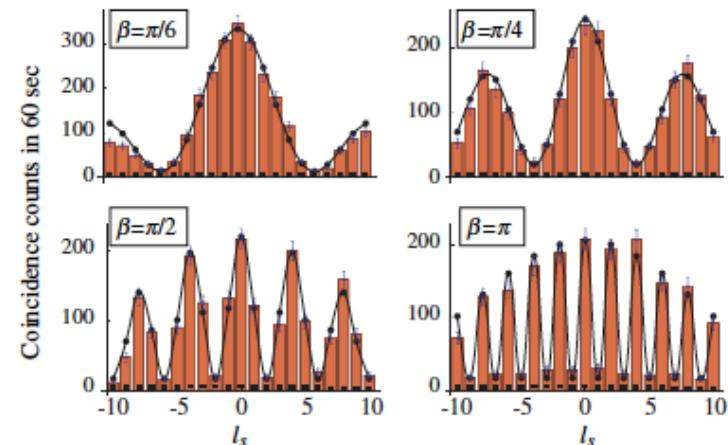
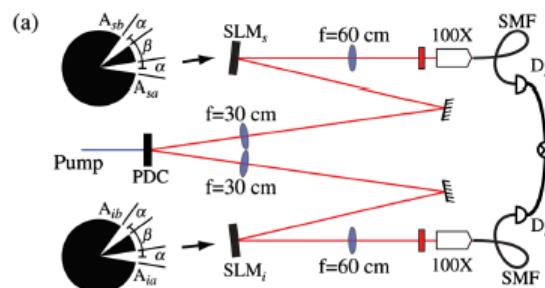
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Angular Two-Photon Interference and Angular Two-Qubit States

Anand Kumar Jha,¹ Jonathan Leach,² Barry Jack,² Sonja Franke-Arnold,² Stephen M. Barnett,³ Robert W. Boyd,¹ and Miles J. Padgett²

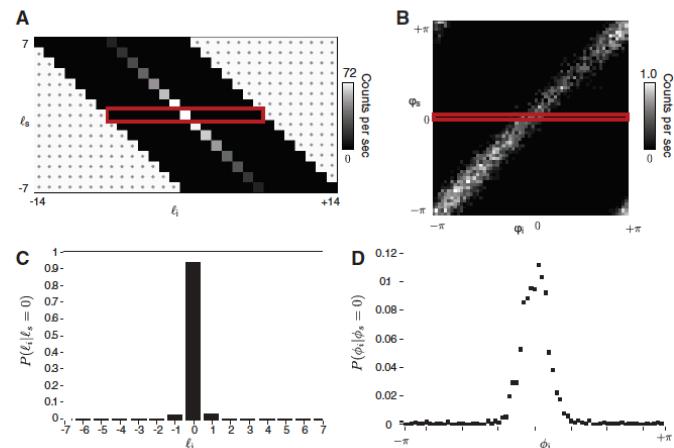
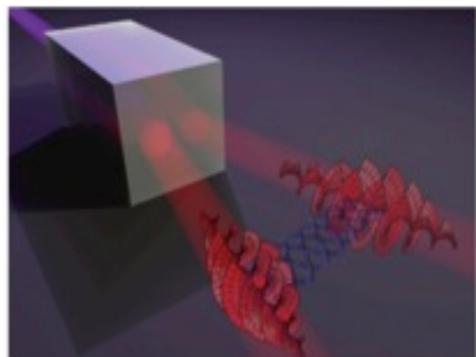


Background

Quantum Correlations in Optical Angle–Orbital Angular Momentum Variables

Jonathan Leach,¹ Barry Jack,¹ Jacqui Romero,¹ Anand K. Jha,² Alison M. Yao,³ Sonja Franke-Arnold,¹ David G. Ireland,¹ Robert W. Boyd,² Stephen M. Barnett,³ Miles J. Padgett^{1*}

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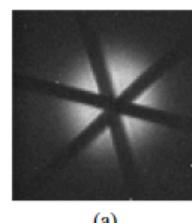
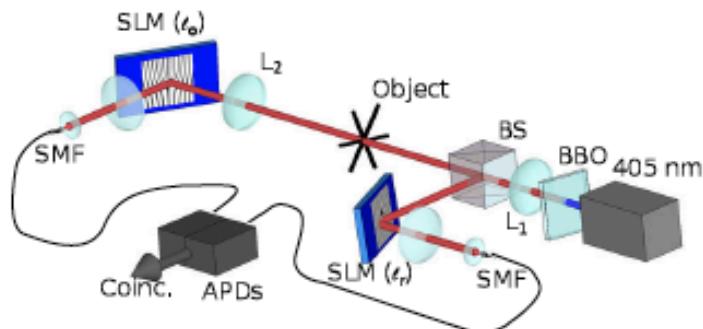
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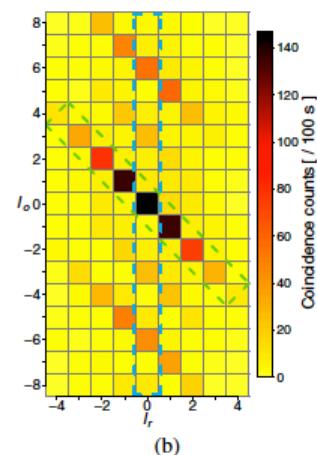
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Object Identification Using Correlated Orbital Angular Momentum States

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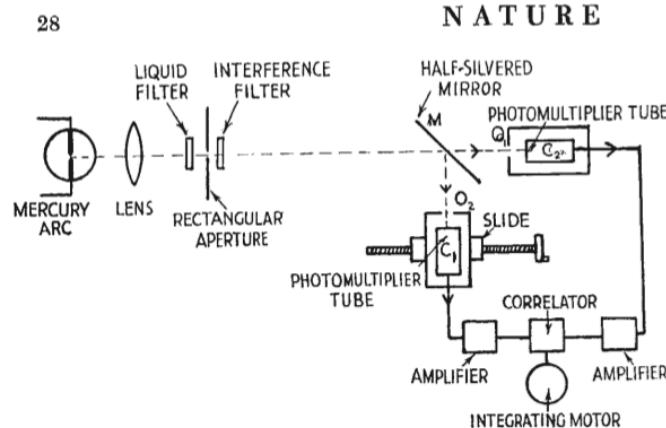


(b)

Chaotic fields of light

Random wave fields

HBT Effect



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Disordered photonics

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Ghost Imaging with Thermal Light: Comparing Entanglement and Classical Correlation

A. Gatti, E. Brambilla, M. Bache, and L. A. Lugiato

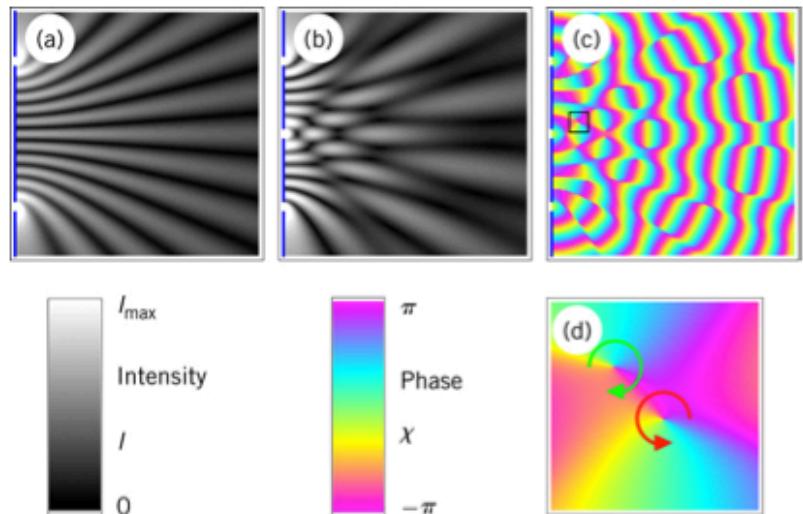
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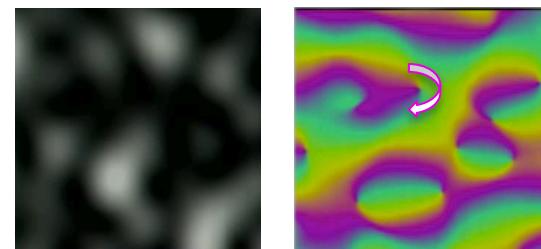
Anderson localization of light

Mordechai Segev^{1,2*}, Yaron Silberberg³ and Demetrios N. Christodoulides⁴

Vortices in wave superposition



Vortices in chaotic light



Berry, M. V. J. Phys. A: Math. Gen. 11, 27-37 (1978).
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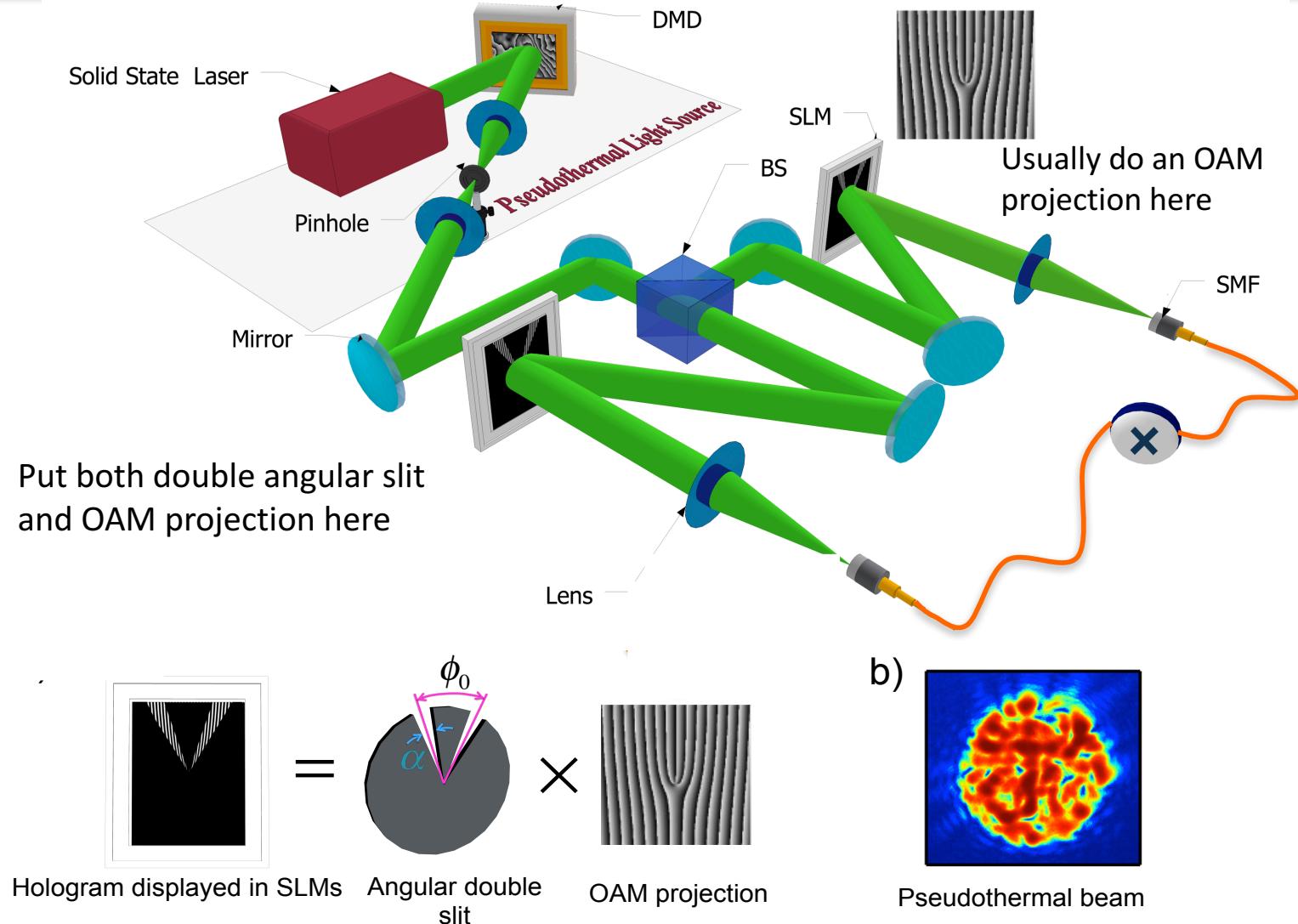
Motivation for this study

We know what Young's interference and HBT correlations look like in real space.

- What do they look like in OAM space?
- And could this be useful?

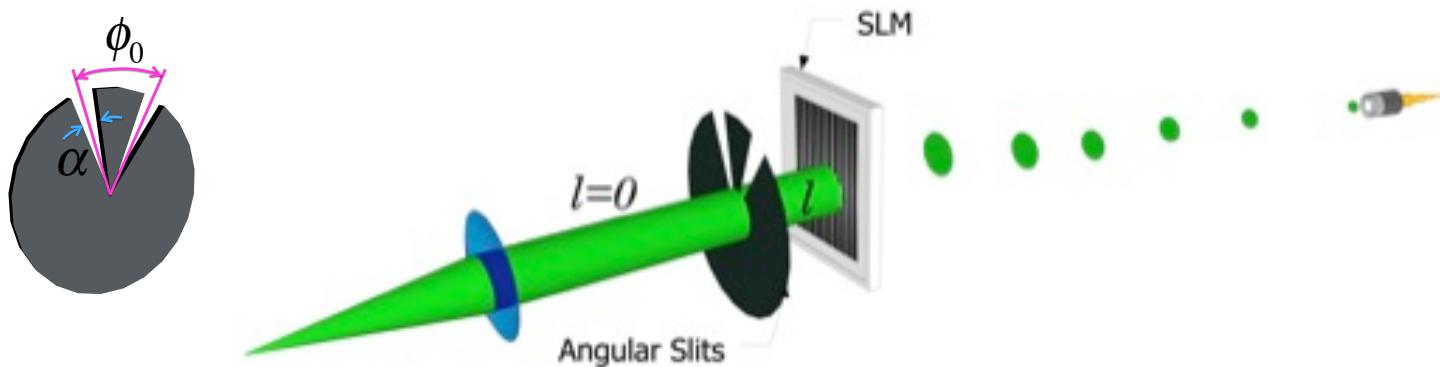
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Experimental Setup



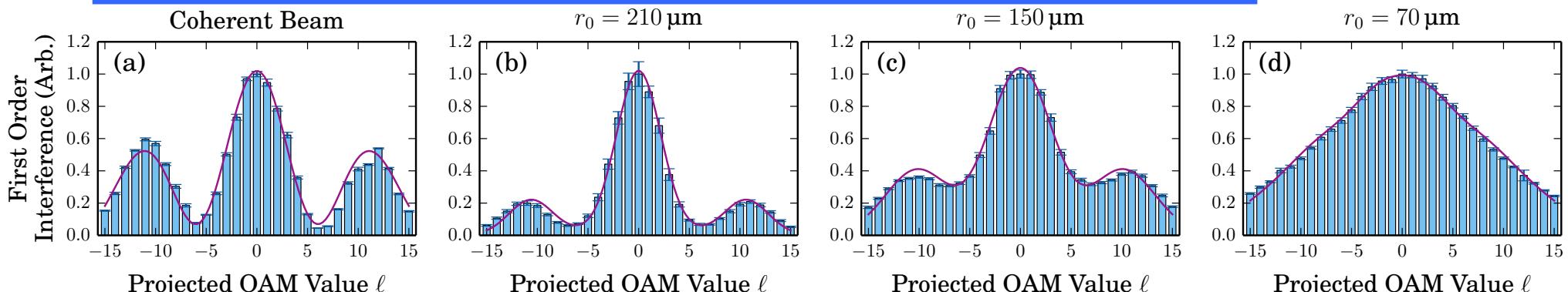
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First order Interference



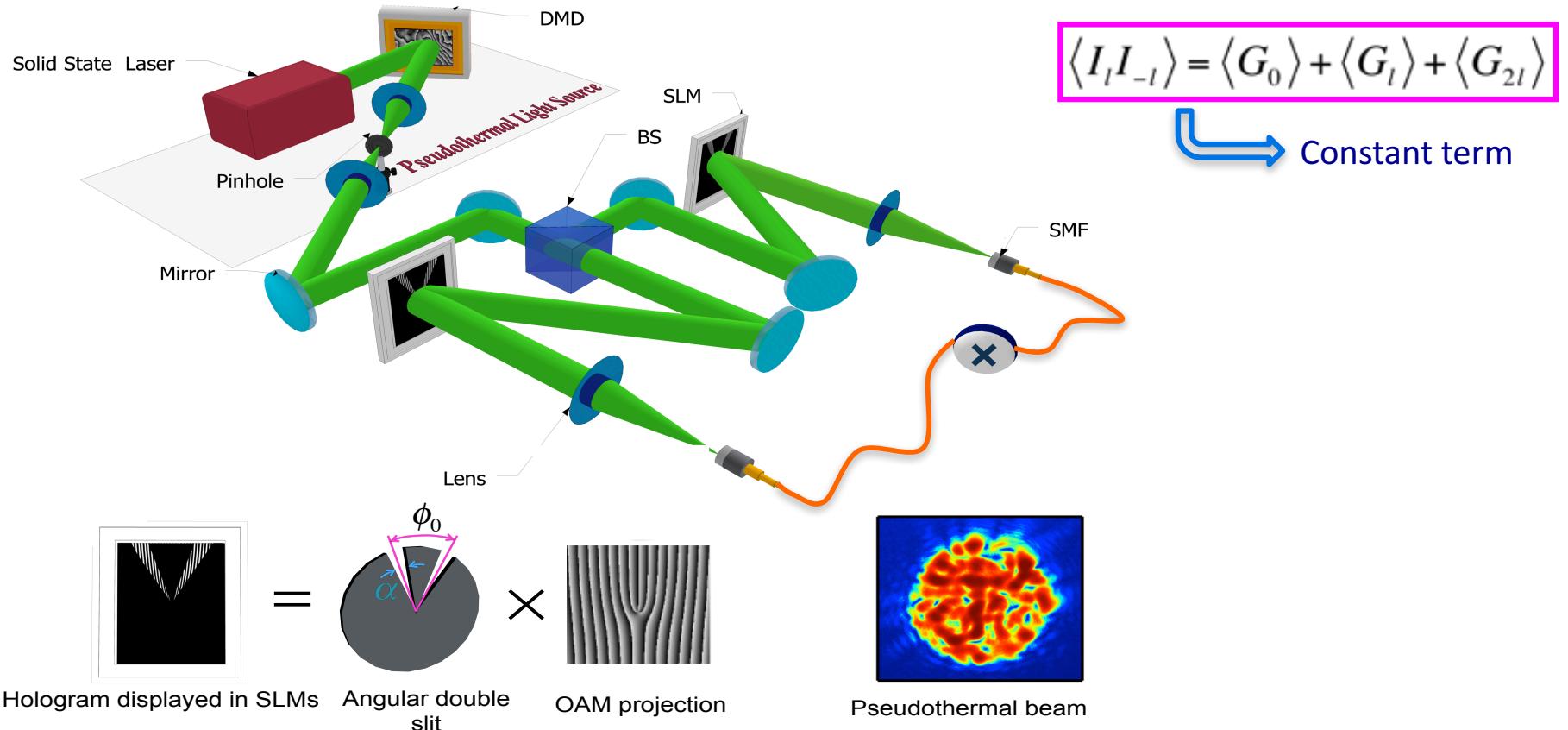
We control the spatial coherence of the illumination through use of the DMD.

$$\langle I_l \rangle \propto \frac{\alpha^2}{2\pi^2} \text{Sinc}^2\left(\frac{l\alpha}{2}\right) \int r dr E^2(r) \left\{ 2 + e^{-il\phi_0} \langle \Phi^*(r,0) \Phi(r,\phi_0) \rangle + e^{il\phi_0} \langle \Phi^*(r,\phi_0) \Phi(r,0) \rangle \right\}$$



Azimuthal Hanbury Brown and Twiss Interference

Measurement of the azimuthal HBT effect

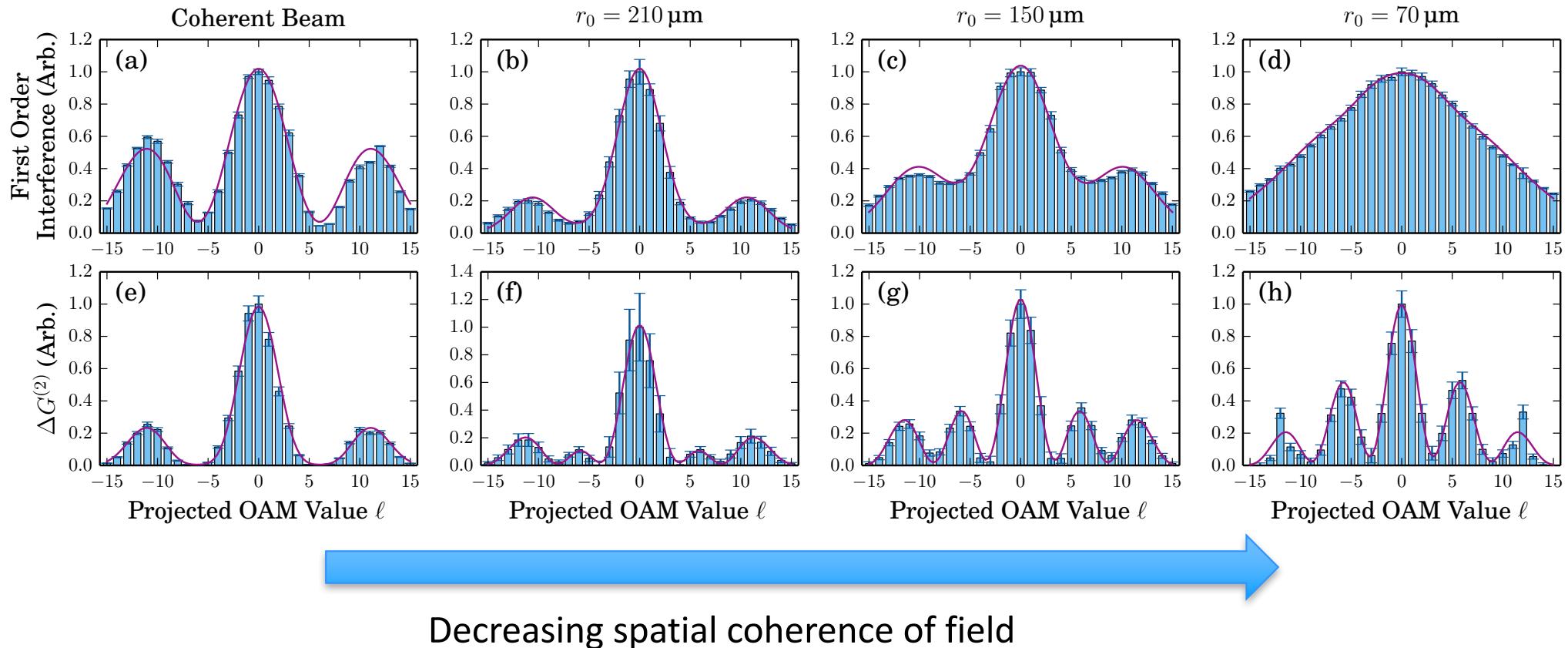


$$\langle G_l \rangle \propto \int r_1 dr_1 r_2 dr_2 \left(e^{-il\phi_0} \left\{ \langle \Phi^*(r_1, 0) \Phi(r_1, \phi_0) \rangle + \langle \Phi^*(r_2, 0) \Phi(r_2, \phi_0) \rangle \right\} + c.c. \right)$$

$$\langle G_{2l} \rangle \propto \int r_1 dr_1 r_2 dr_2 \left(e^{-2il\phi_0} \left\{ \langle \Phi^*(r_1, 0) \Phi(r_1, \phi_0) \Phi^*(r_2, \phi_0) \Phi(r_2, 0) \rangle \right\} + c.c. \right)$$

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OAM correlations: Experimental results

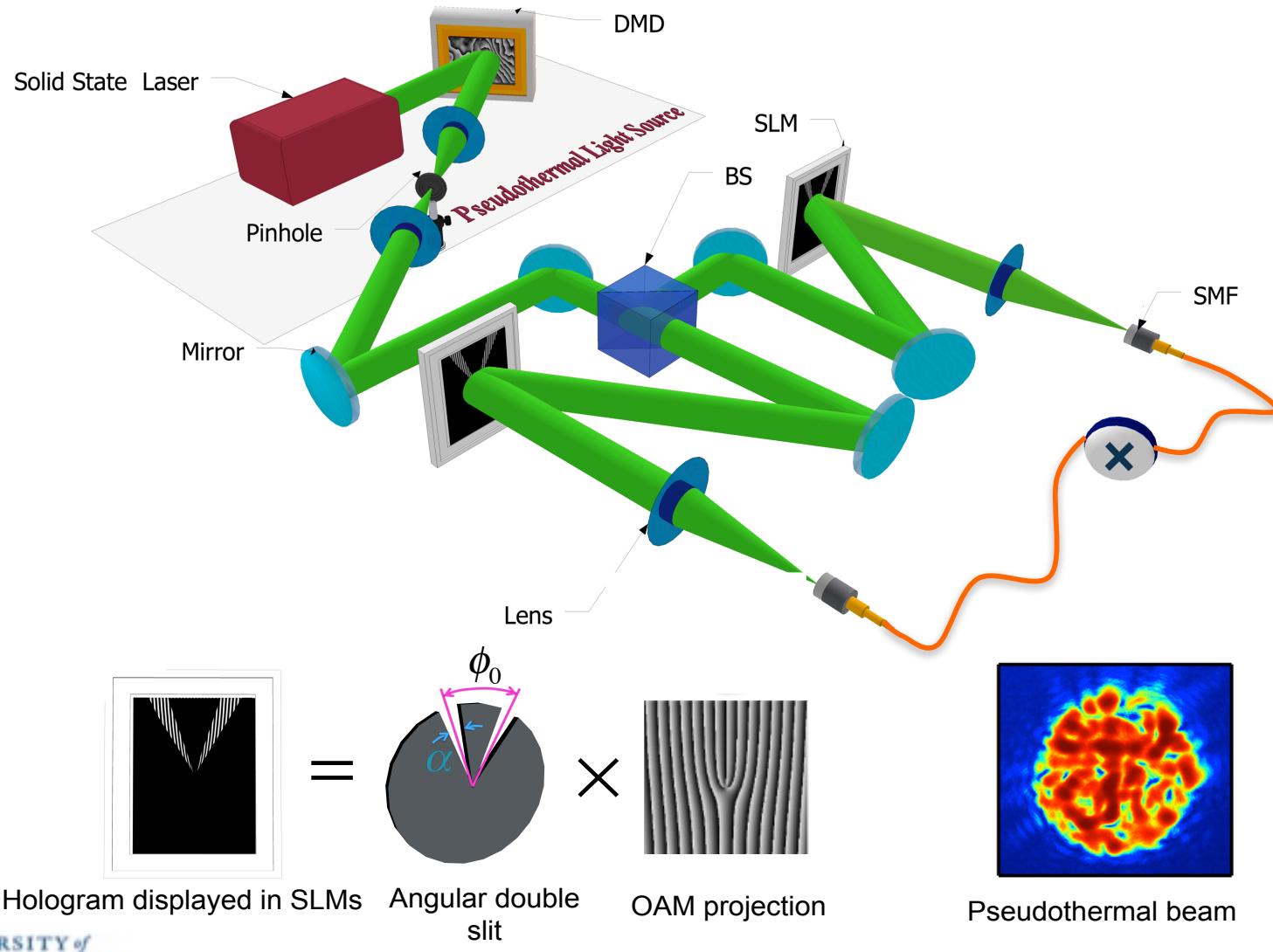


Formation of Second-Order Correlations in OAM!

A. K. Jha, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **104**, 010501 (2010)

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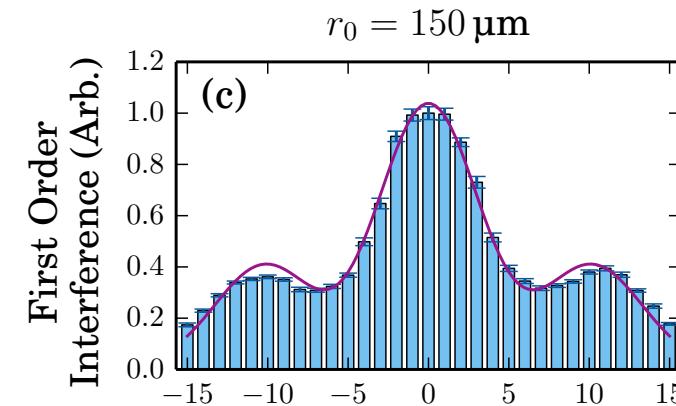
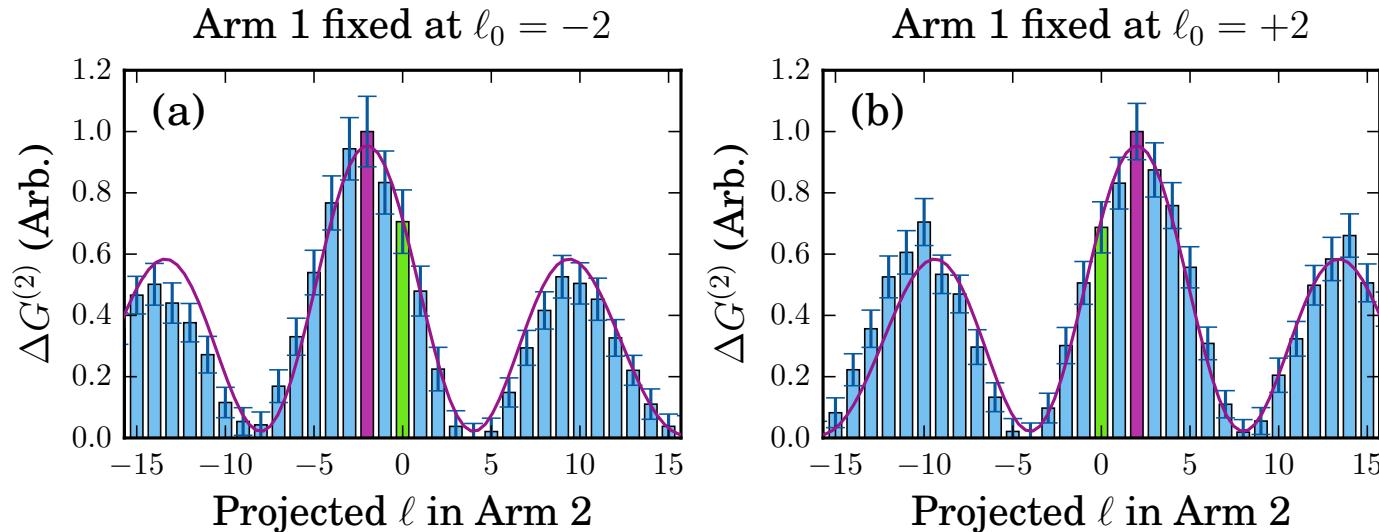
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Arm 1: Constant Intensity

Arm 2:

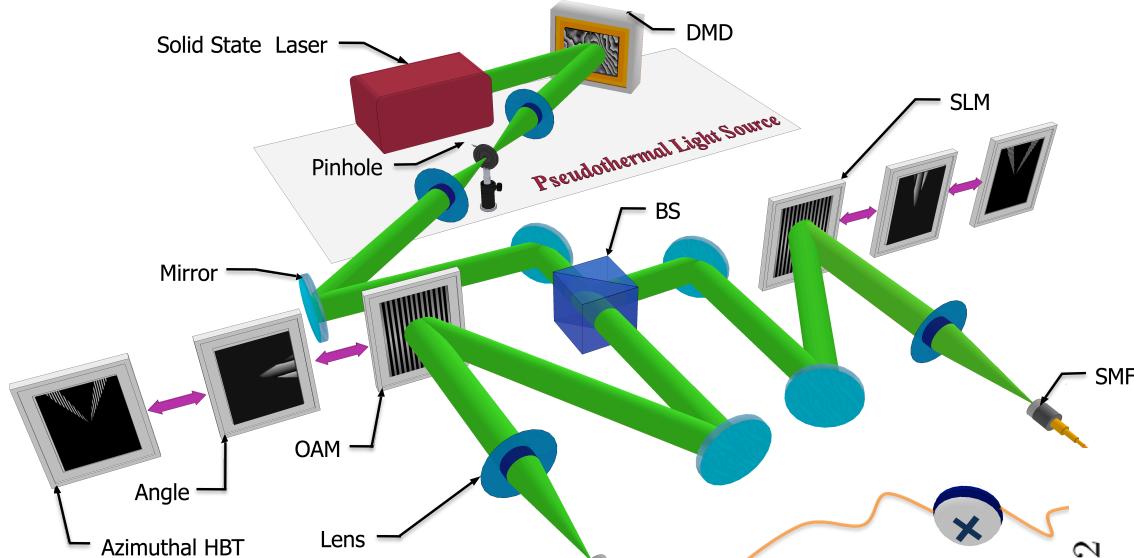
$$\langle G_{l,l_0} \rangle \propto \frac{\alpha^4 \text{Sinc}^4([l-l_0]\alpha/2)}{4\pi^4} \int r_1 dr_1 r_2 dr_2 \left(e^{-i(l-l_0)\phi_0} \left\{ \Phi^*(r_1,0) \Phi(r_1, \phi_0) \Phi^*(r_2, \phi_0) \Phi(r_2, 0) \right\} + c.c. \right)$$

Correlations:

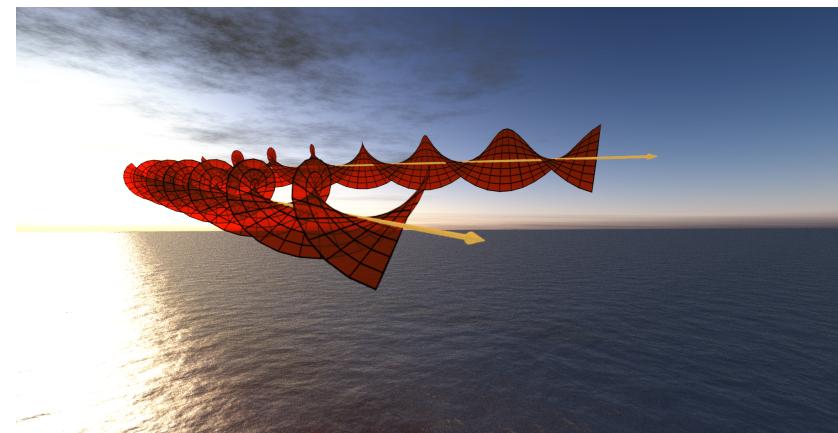


Second-Order Correlations of Pseudothermal light

Correlations in Angular Position and OAM

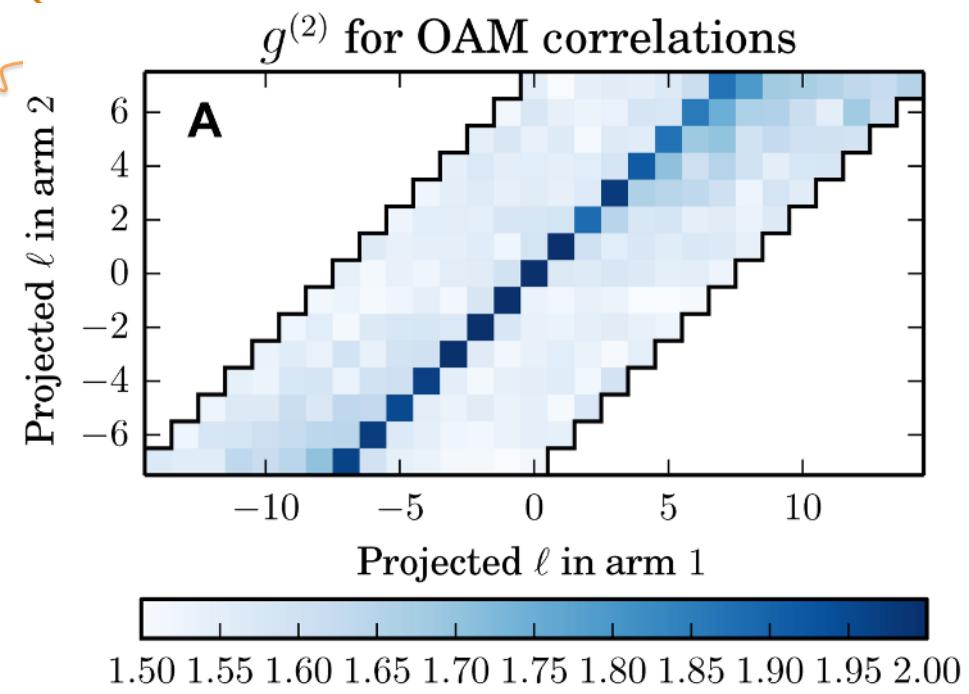


Place forked hologram on each SLM



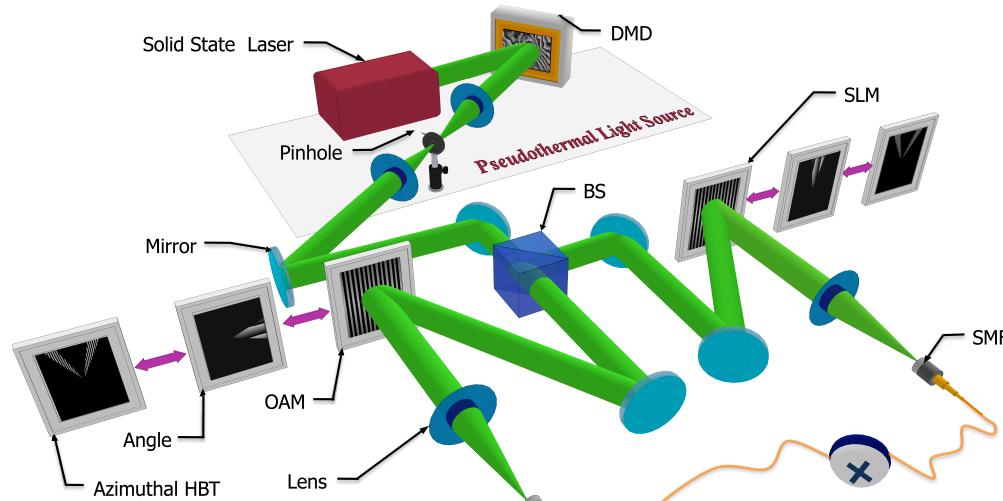
$$\langle I_{l_1} I_{l_2} \rangle = \langle I_{l_1} \rangle \langle I_{l_2} \rangle (1 + \delta_{l_1 l_2})$$

- Note that (unlike SPDC) OAM correlations sit on top of a background.
- Note also that this expression is non-separable.



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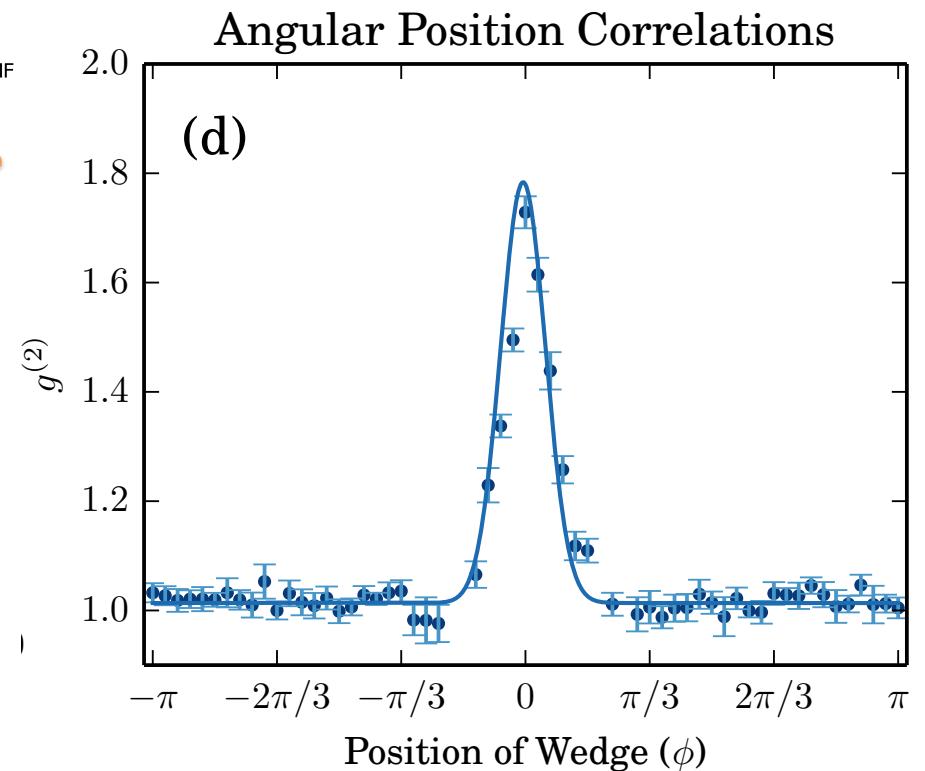
Correlations in Angular Position and OAM



Slit in arm 1 is fixed at 0^0 Slit in arm 2 is rotated

Similar to correlations of entangled photons, except that in our case the correlations sit on top of a constant background

$$\langle I_\phi I_{\phi_0} \rangle = \langle I_\phi \rangle \langle I_{\phi_0} \rangle (1 + f(\phi - \phi_0))$$



POSSIBLE APPLICATIONS

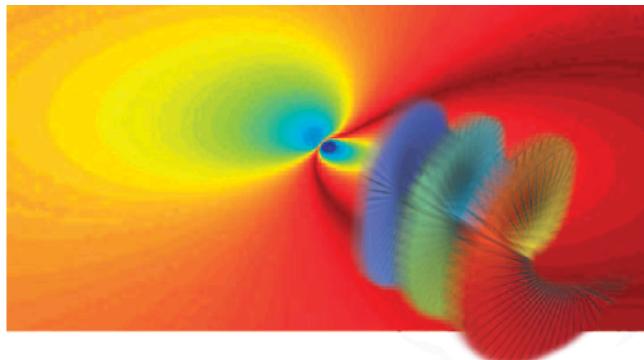
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Twisting of light around rotating black holes

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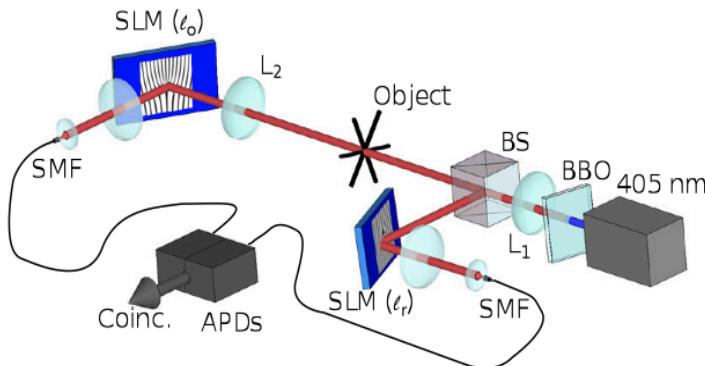
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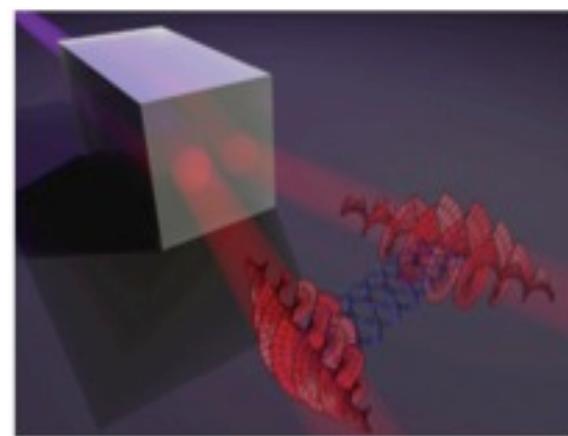
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Entangled Optical Vortex Links

J. Romero,^{1,2} J. Leach,¹ B. Jack,¹ M. R. Dennis,³ S. Franke-Arnold,¹ S. M. Barnett,² and M. J. Padgett¹



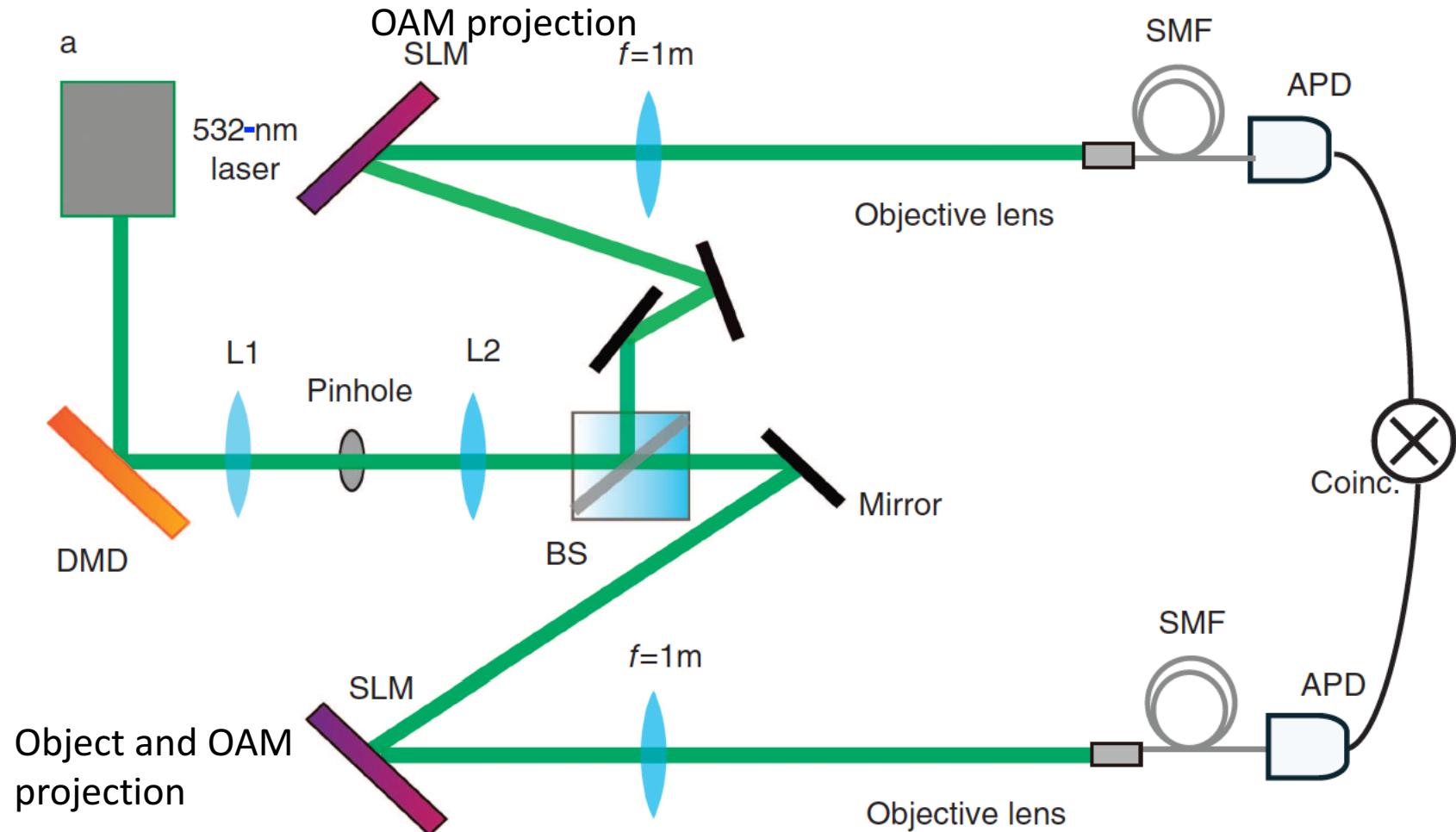
Digital spiral object identification using random light

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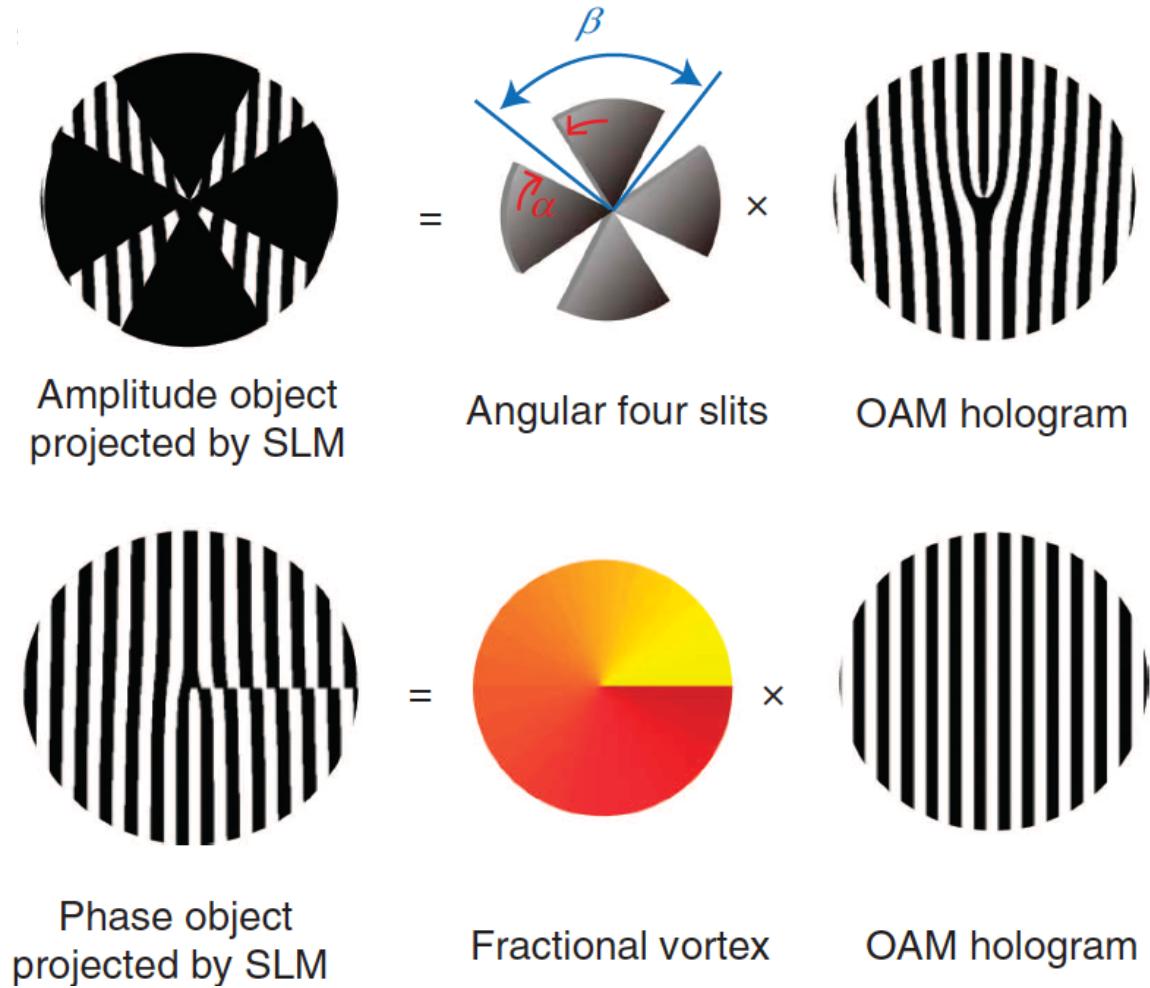
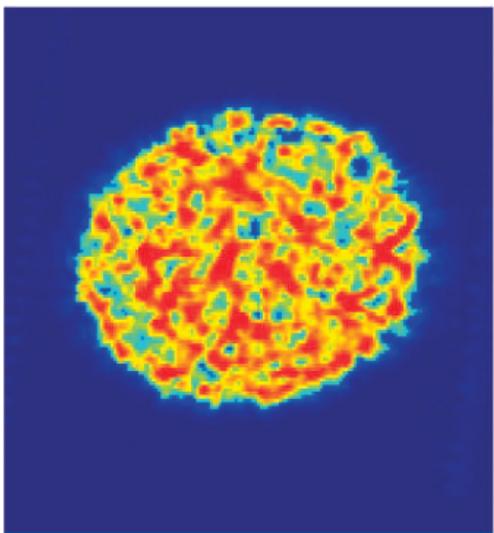
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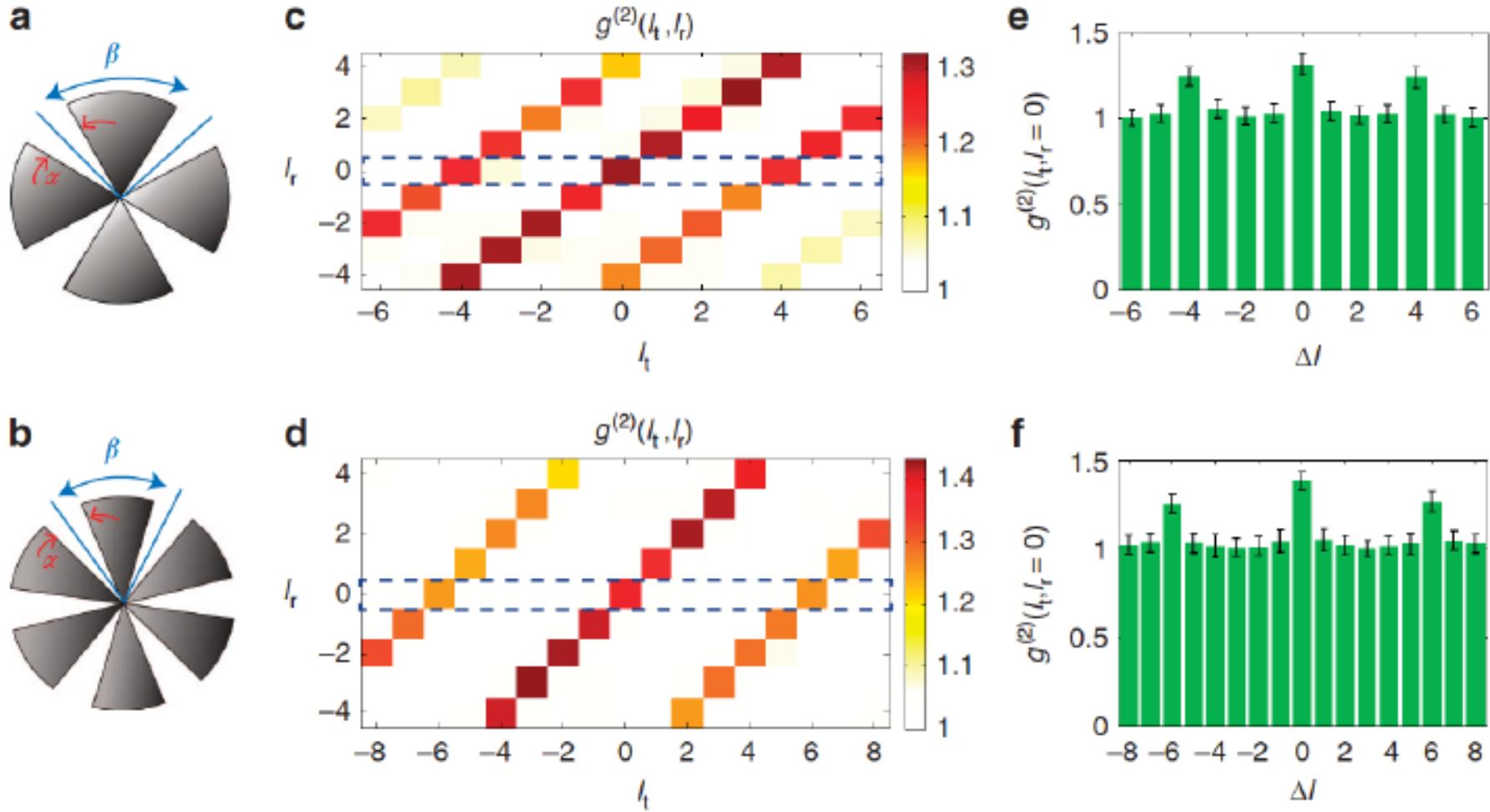
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Some examples



Digital spiral object identification using random light

Symmetry of object shows up in OAM correlations



- Could this method be applied to more complicated objects?

An Application





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