



# Quantum Communications at telecom wavelengths

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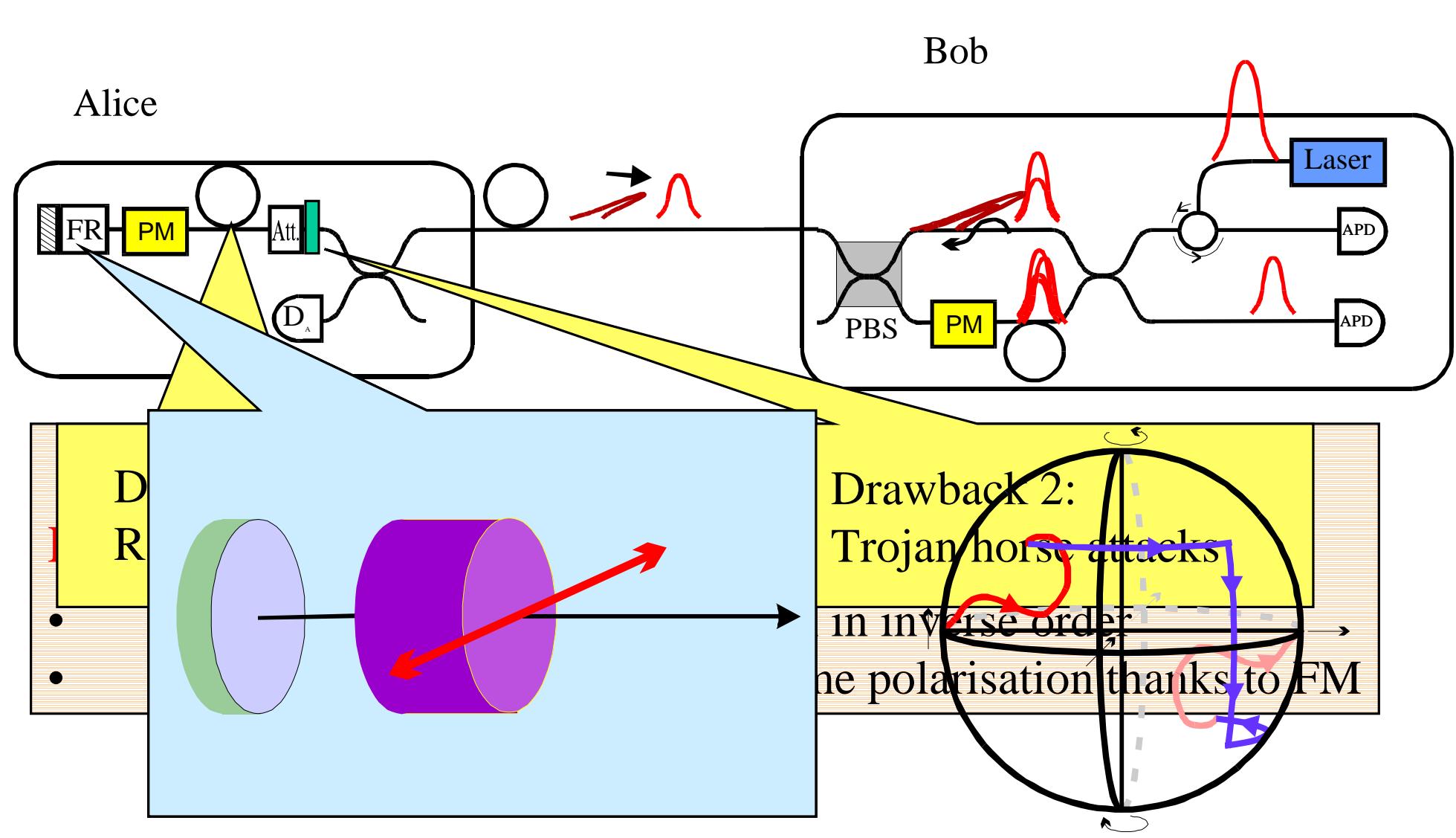
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Q crypto over 67 km

Time-bins:       $\Rightarrow$  high dimensions  
 $\Rightarrow$  robustness of non-maximally entangled qubits  
 $\Rightarrow$  Q teleportation at telecom  $\lambda$

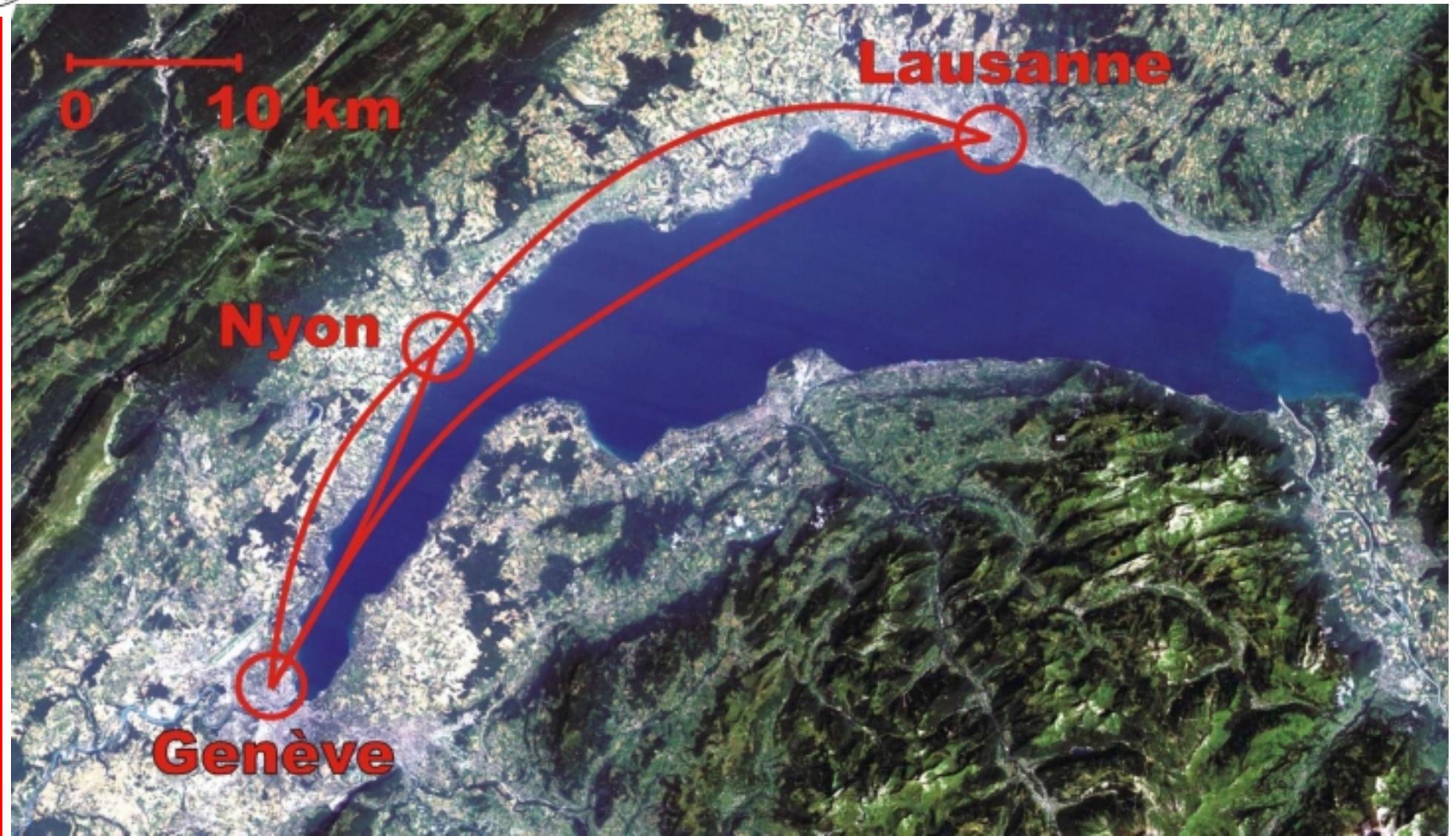


# The plug&play setup





QC over 67 km, QBER  $\approx 5\%$

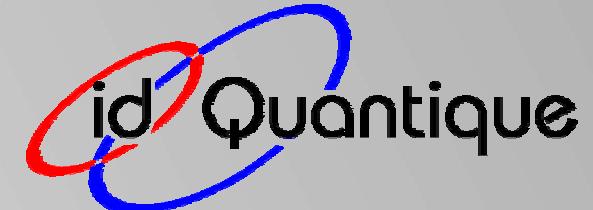


+ aerial cable (in Ste Croix, Jura) !



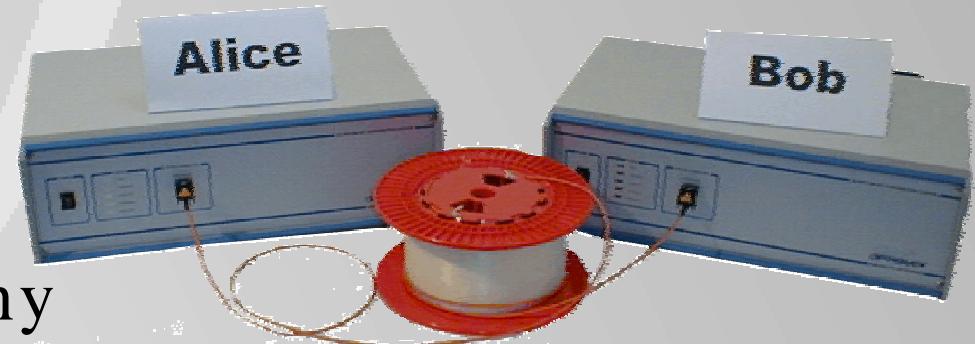
Company established in 2001

- Spin-off from the University of Geneva



Products

- Quantum Cryptography  
(optical fiber system)
- Quantum Random Number Generator
- Single-photon detector module (1.3  $\mu\text{m}$  and 1.55  $\mu\text{m}$ )



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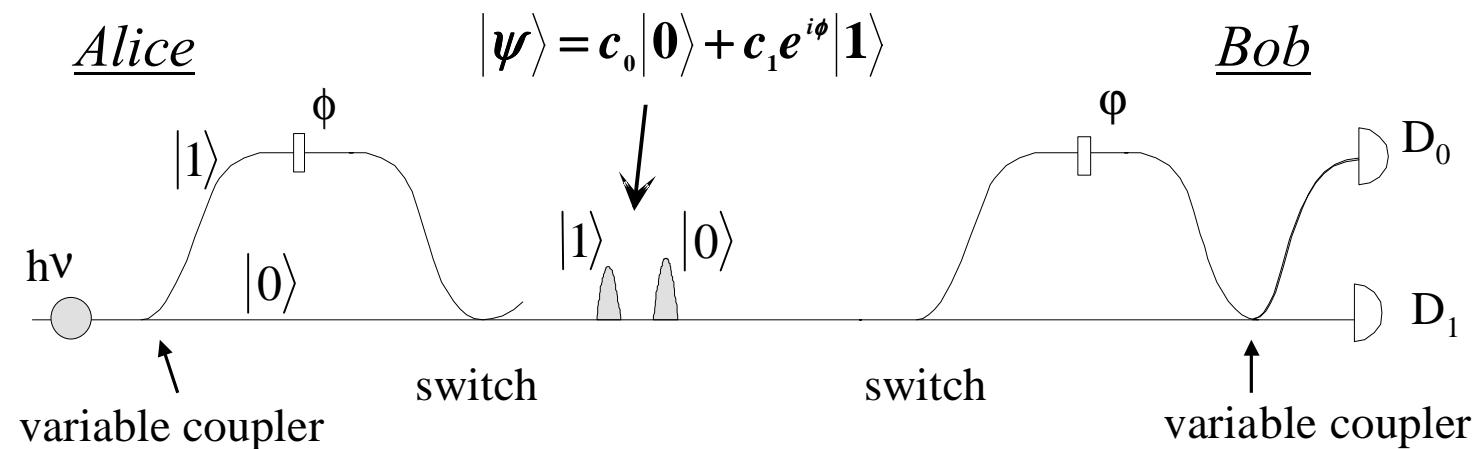
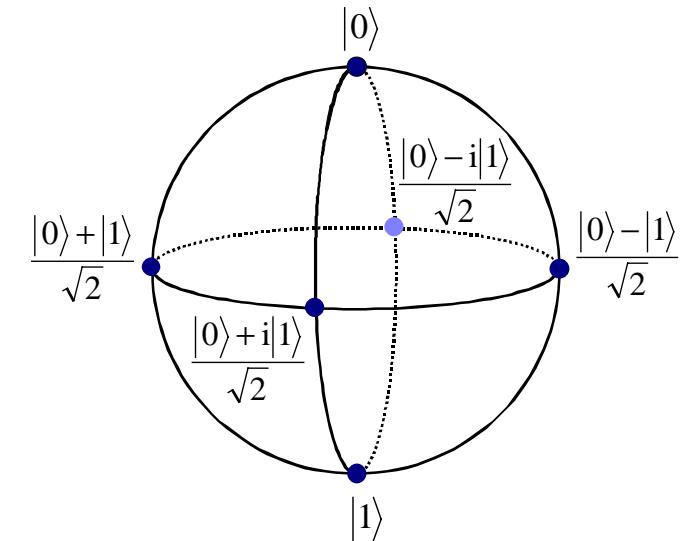
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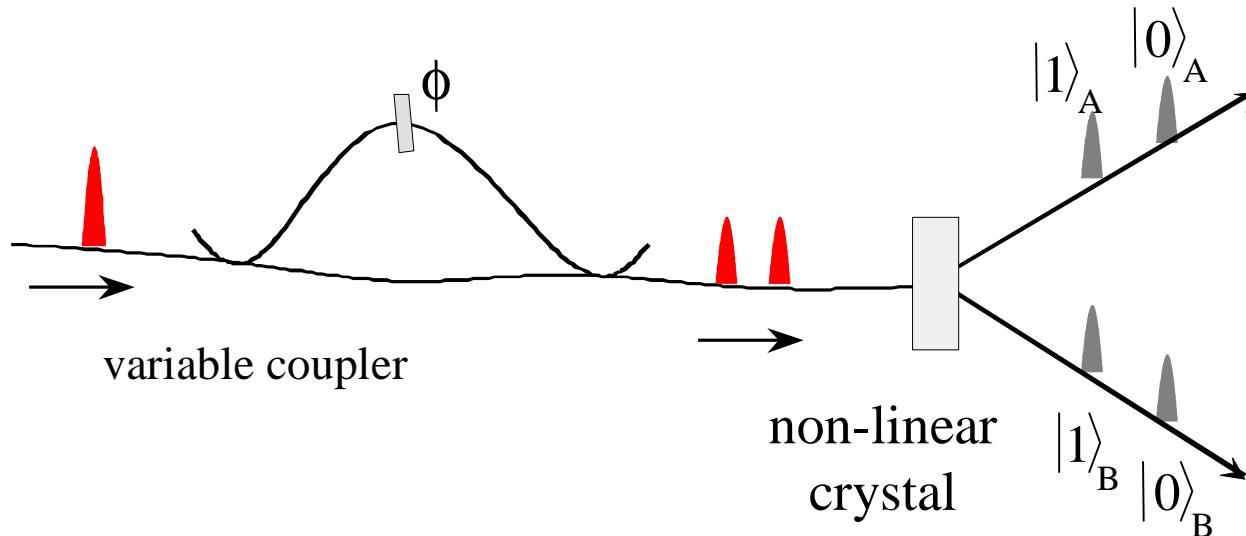
# The qubit sphere and the time-bin qubit

- qubit :  $|\psi\rangle = c_0|0\rangle + c_1 e^{i\phi}|1\rangle$
- different properties : spin, polarization, time-bins
- any qubit state can be created and measured in any basis





# entangled time-bin qubits

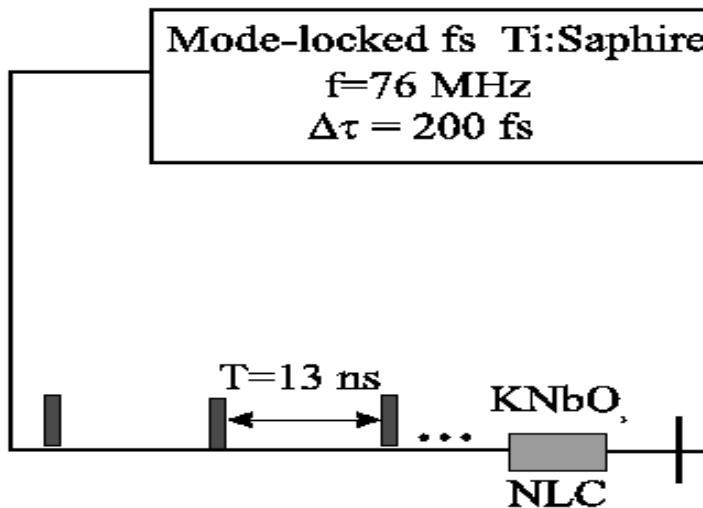


$$|\psi\rangle = c_0 |0\rangle_A |0\rangle_B + c_1 e^{i\phi} |1\rangle_A |1\rangle_B$$

- depending on coupling ratio and phase  $\phi$ , *maximally and non-maximally entangled states* can be created



# Arbitrary high dimensions

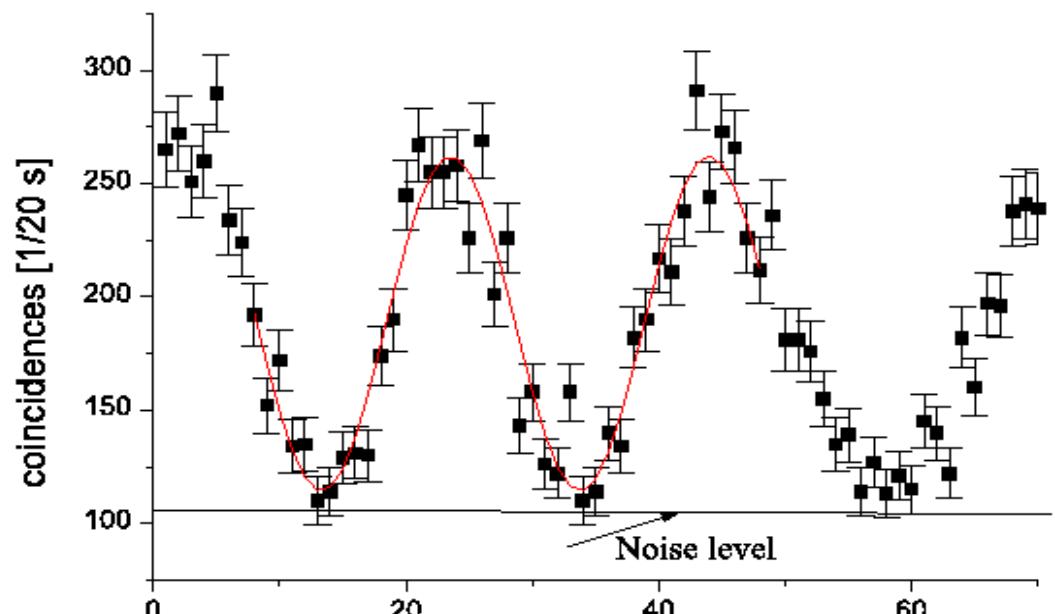
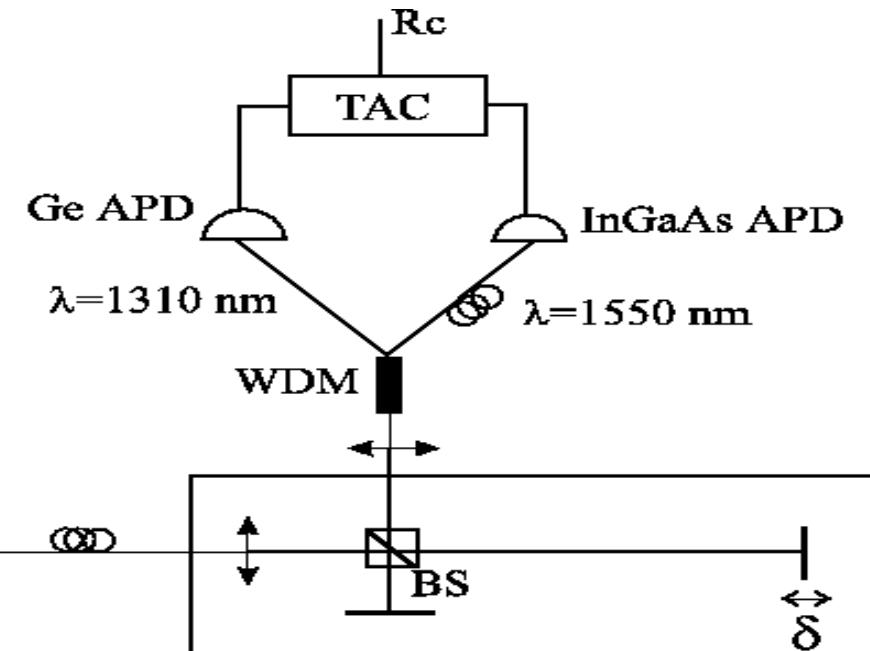


Net visibility = 91 %  $\pm$  6 %

Entanglement for a two-photon state of dimension at least :

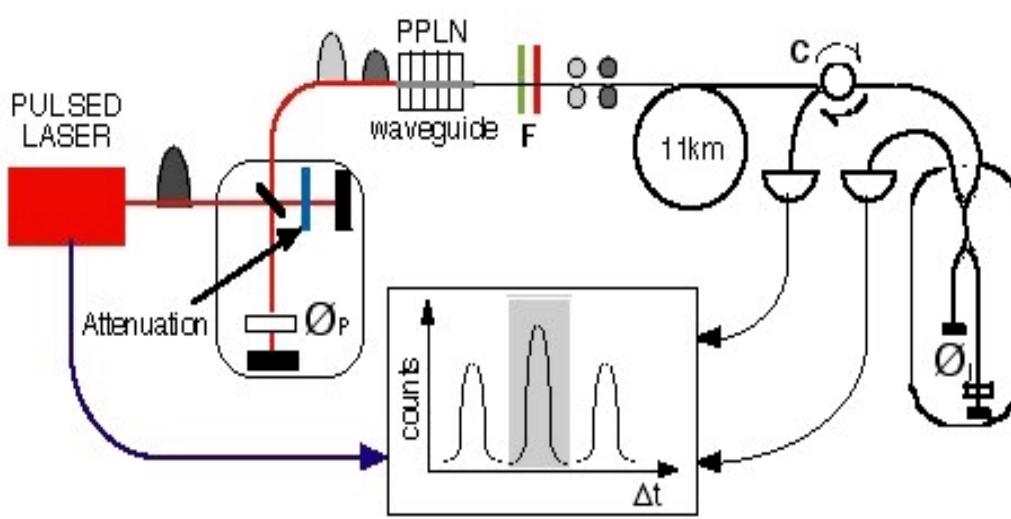
$$D \geq \frac{1}{1-V} = 11$$

Quant-ph/0204165; QIC 2002





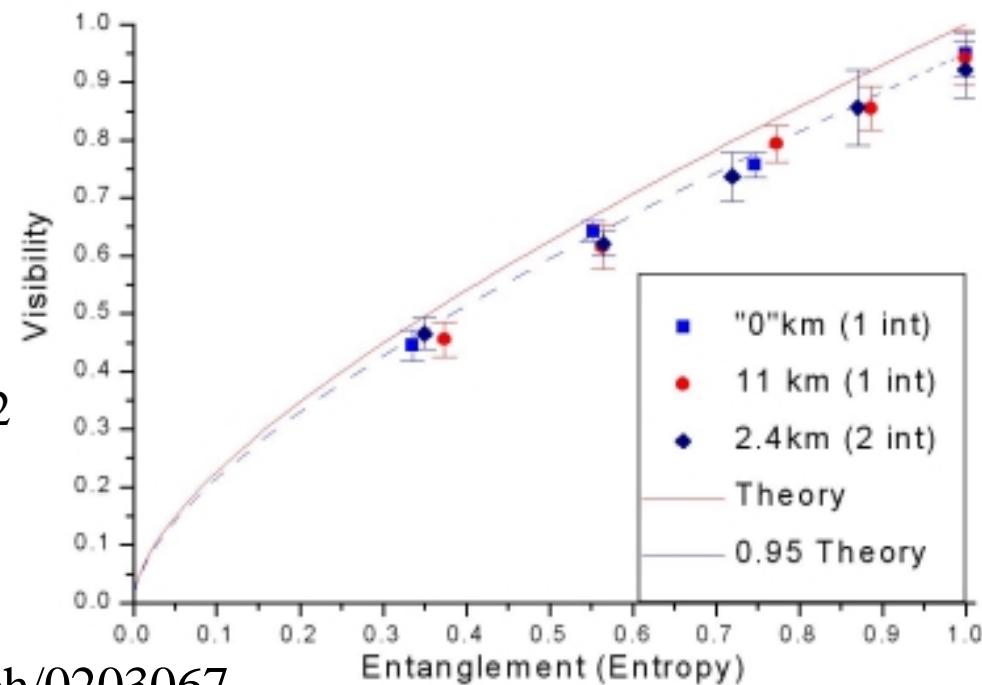
# Partially Entangled Time-Bin Qubits



$$|\psi\rangle = c_0|00\rangle + c_1 e^{i\phi_p} |11\rangle$$

$$V = 2c_0c_1$$

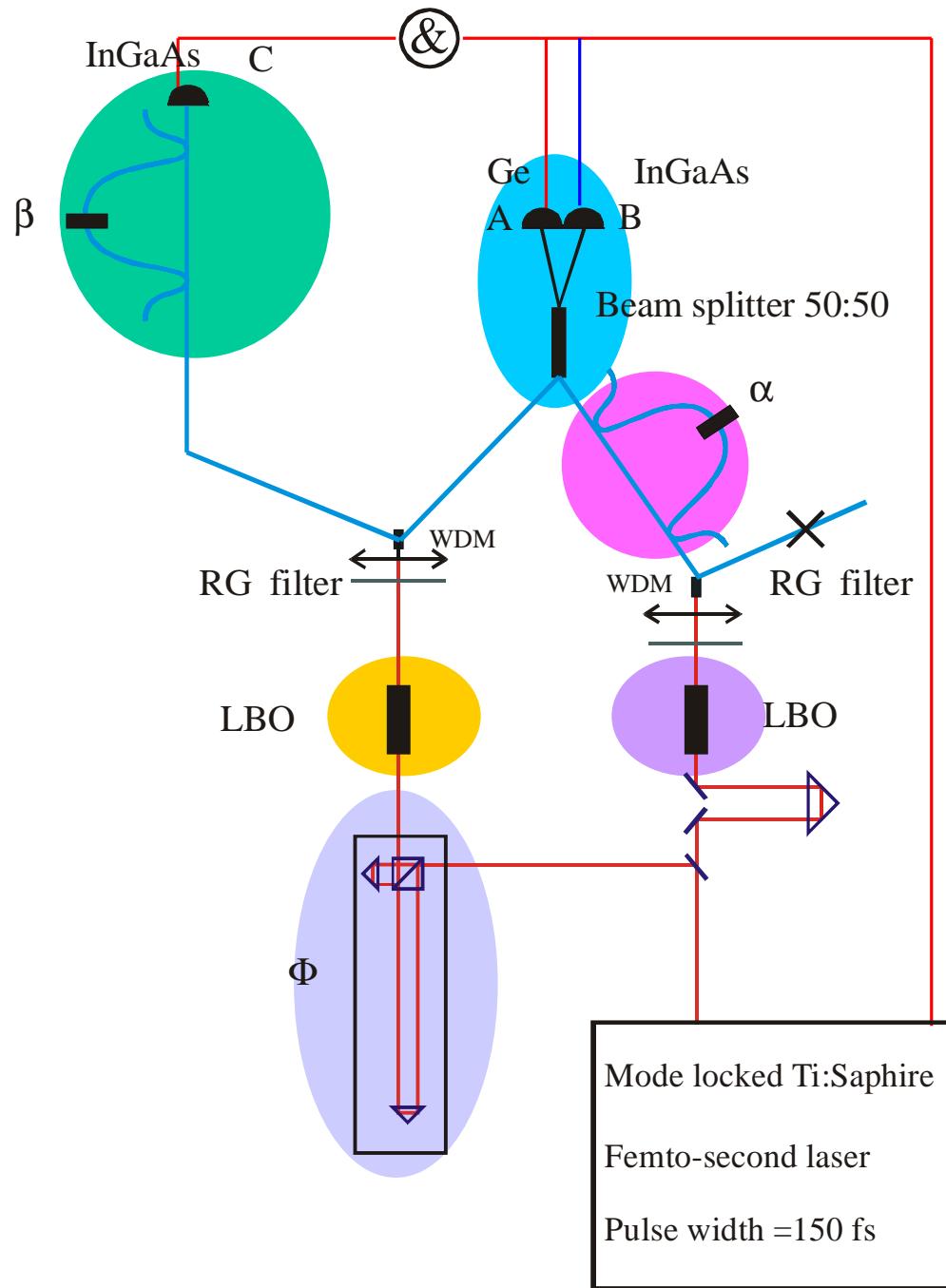
$$E = -c_0^2 \log_2 c_0^2 - c_1^2 \log_2 c_1^2$$





# teleportation setup

I. Marcikic et al., quant-ph/0205144



Creation of a qubit

Creation of an entangled pair

Creation of a photon

Creation of any qubit  
to be teleported

The Bell measurement

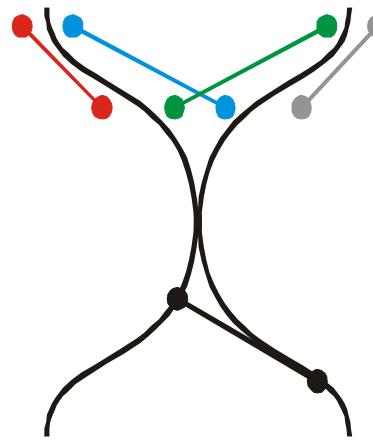
Analysis of the teleported  
qubit

Coincidence electronics

4-fold



# Bell measurement



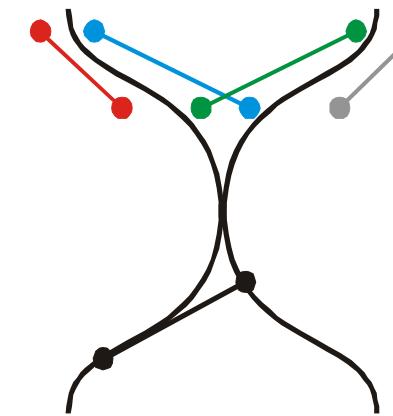
$$| \rangle | \rangle$$

$$(| \rangle_A | \rangle_A)$$

$$(| \rangle_B | \rangle_B)$$

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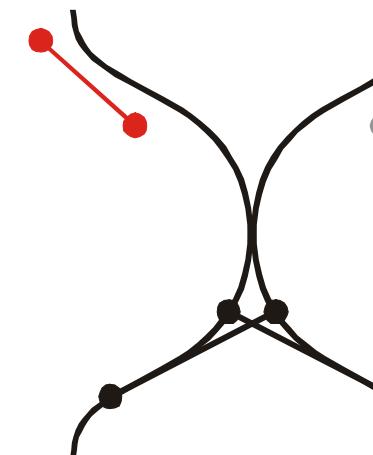


$$|1\rangle_1 |0\rangle_2$$

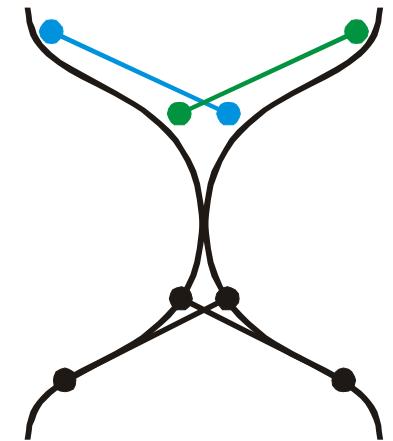
$$\mapsto i(|0\rangle_A |1\rangle_A + |0\rangle_B |1\rangle_B)$$

$$+ |0\rangle_A |1\rangle_B - |1\rangle_A |0\rangle_B$$

$$+ |1\rangle_A |0\rangle_E$$



$$|0\rangle_1 |1\rangle_2 + |1\rangle_1 |0\rangle_2 \mapsto i(|0\rangle_A |1\rangle_A + |0\rangle_B |1\rangle_B)$$



$$|0\rangle_1 |1\rangle_2$$

$$- |1\rangle_1 |0\rangle_2 \mapsto |0\rangle_A |1\rangle_B - |1\rangle_A |0\rangle_B$$

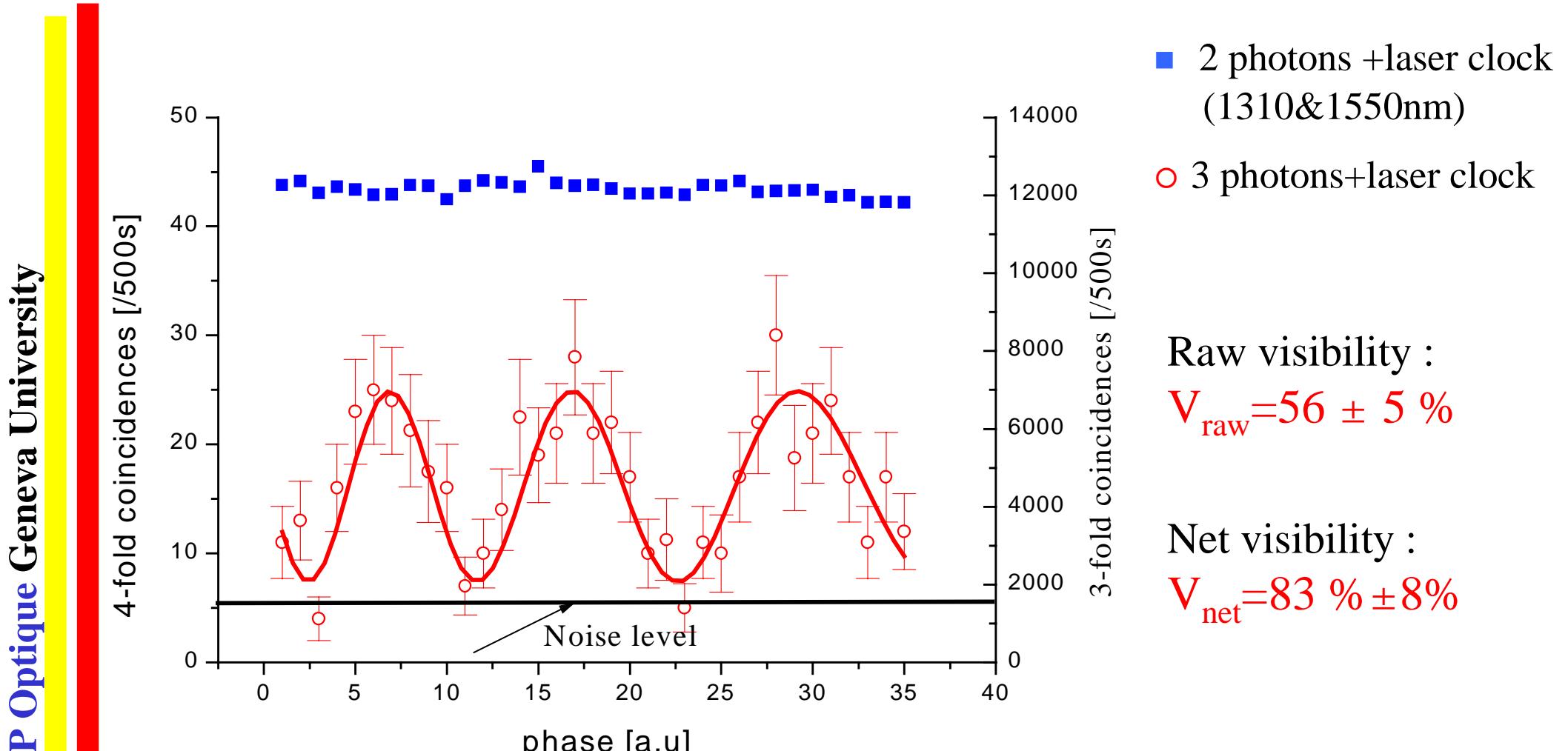
$$+ |1\rangle_A |0\rangle_E$$

$$- |0\rangle_A |1\rangle_B$$

$$+ |1\rangle_A |0\rangle_B$$



# Teleportation of a time-bin qubit equatorial states



Fidelity for equatorial states :  $F_{eq} = \frac{1+V_{raw}}{2} = 78 \pm 3 \%$

- 2 photons +laser clock (1310&1550nm)
- 3 photons+laser clock

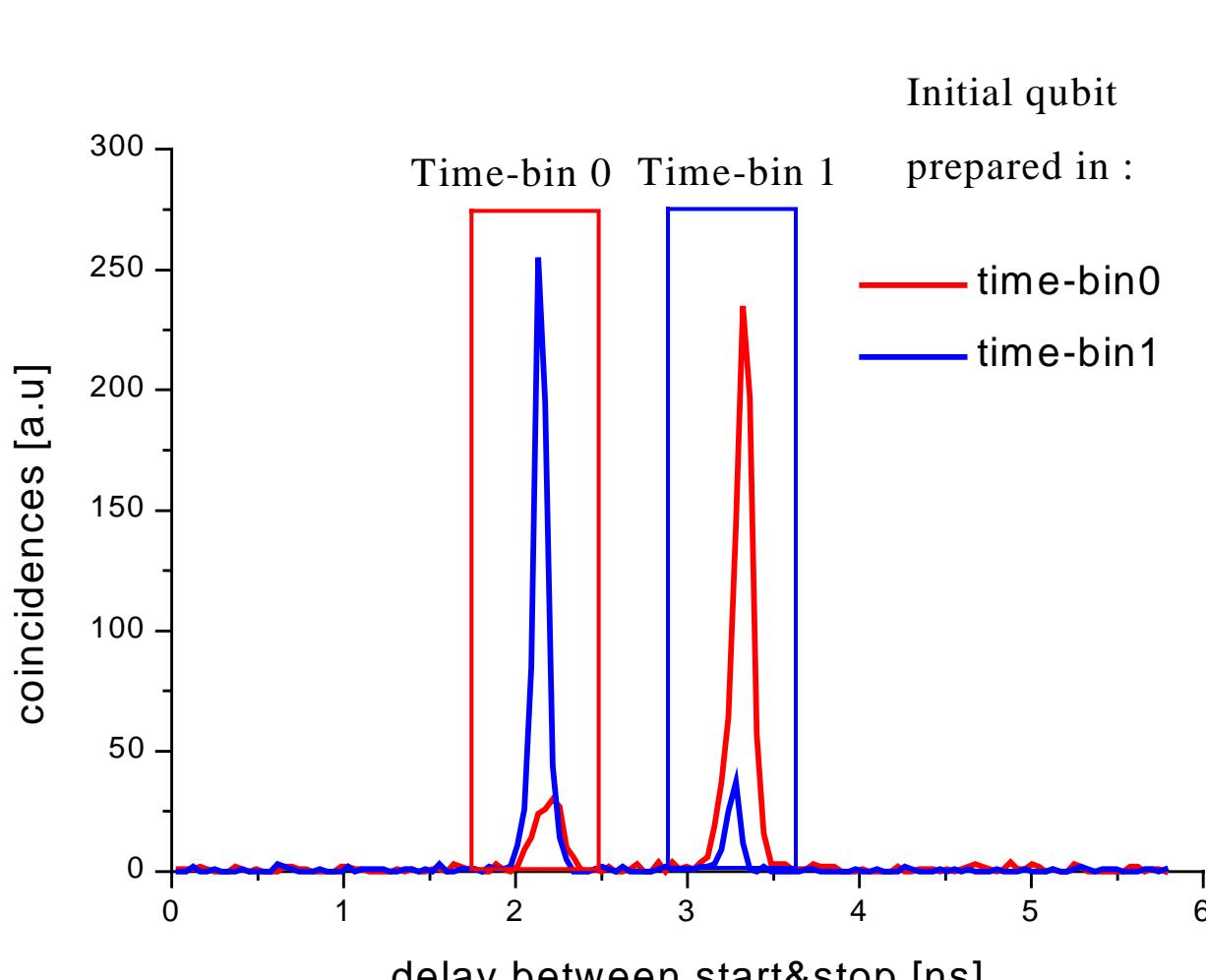
Raw visibility :  
 $V_{raw}=56 \pm 5 \%$

Net visibility :  
 $V_{net}=83 \% \pm 8\%$



# Teleportation of a time-bin qubit

## North&South poles



$$F(0,1) = \frac{P(1,0)}{P(1,0) + P(0,1)}$$

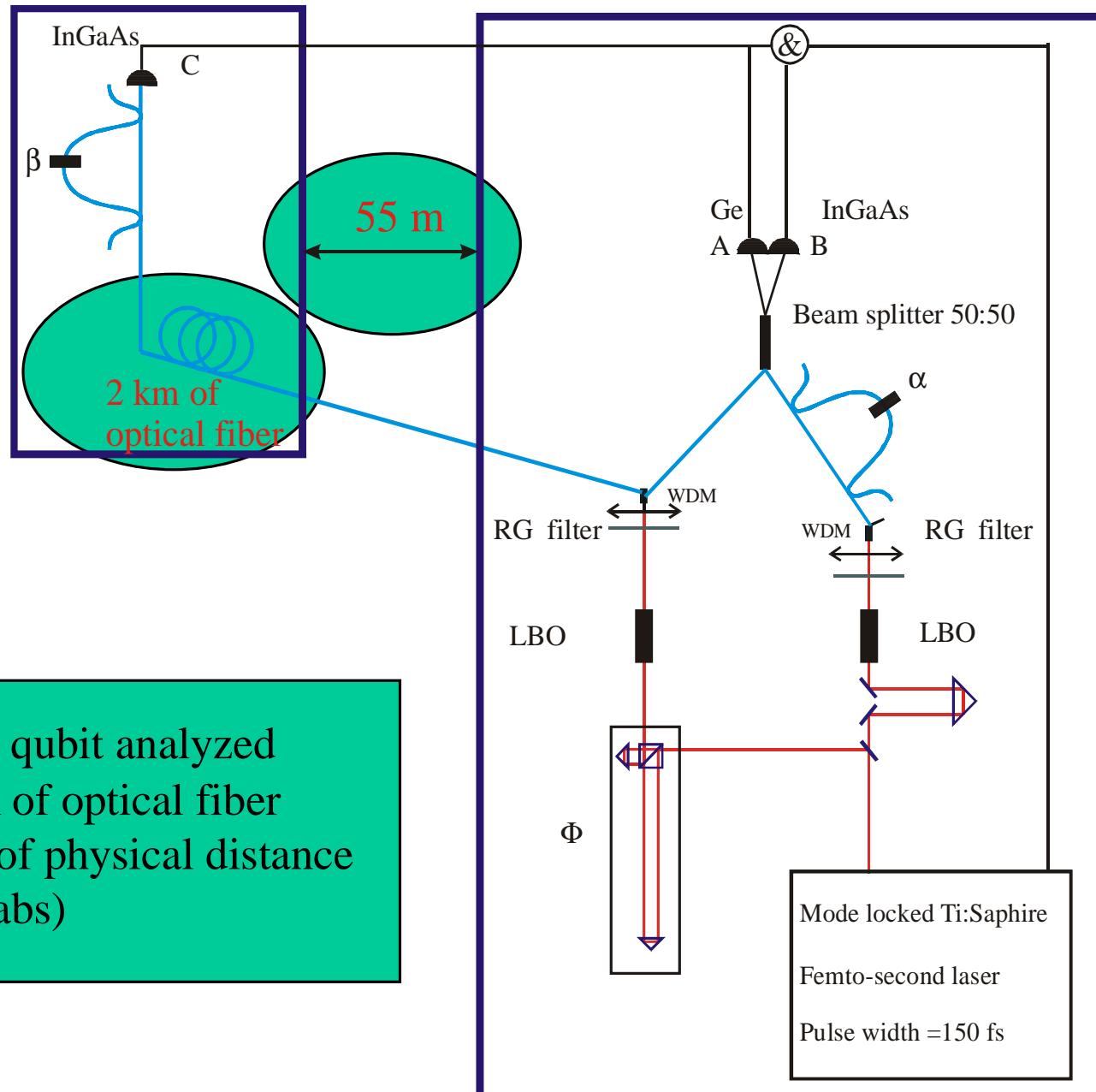
$$F(0,1) = 88\% \pm 4\%$$

$$F(1,0) = 84\% \pm 4\%$$

$$F_{tot} = \frac{2}{3} F_{eq} + \frac{1}{3} F_p = 80.5 \% \pm 3 \%$$



# Long distance quantum teleportation

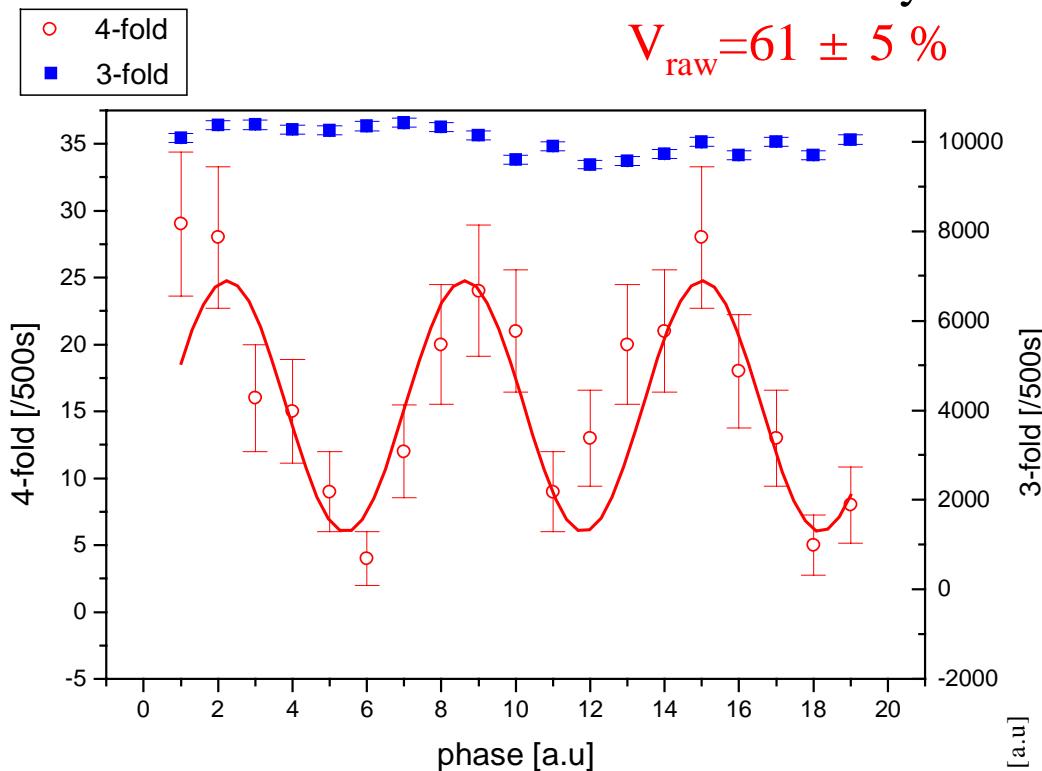


- Teleported qubit analyzed after 2 km of optical fiber and 55 m of physical distance (separate labs)



# Results for long distance teleportation

Equatorial states



Raw visibility :

$$V_{\text{raw}} = 61 \pm 5 \%$$

Fidelity for equatorial states :

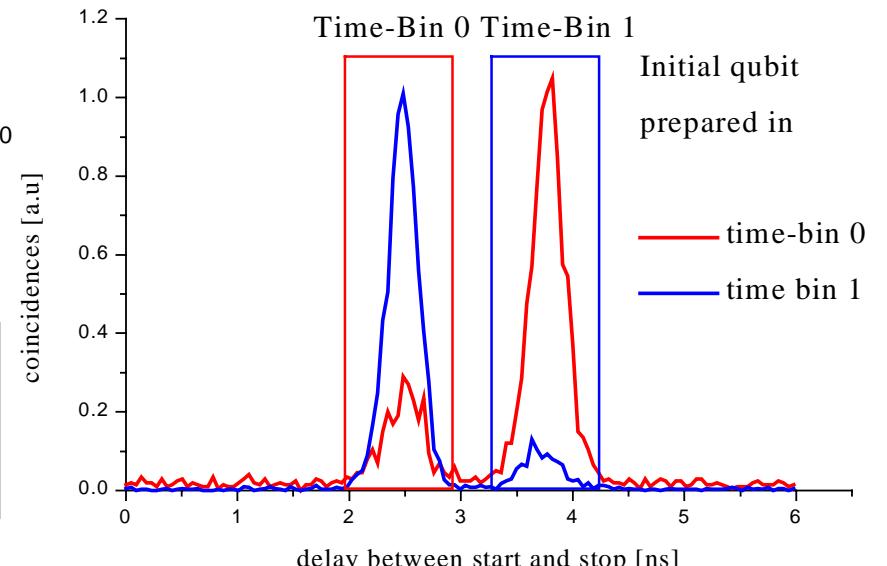
$$F_{\text{eq}} = \frac{1 + V_{\text{raw}}}{2} = 80.5 \pm 2.5 \%$$

Fidelity for north&south poles :

$$F(|0,1\rangle) = 88 \pm 3\%$$

$$F(|1,0\rangle) = 77 \pm 3\%$$

North & south poles



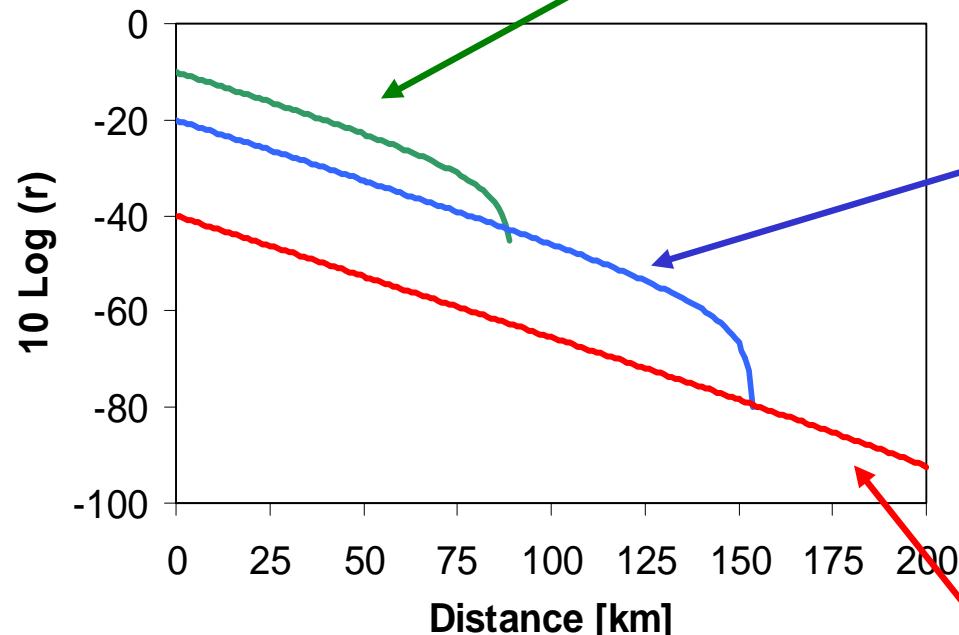
Fidelity for Q teleportation over 2km

$$F_{\text{tot}} = \frac{2}{3} F_{\text{eq}} + \frac{1}{3} F_p = 81.2 \% \pm 2.5 \%$$



# Quantum teleportation as Q repeater (even without Q memory)

At telecom  $\lambda$ , the QBER is dominated by detector noise:



$\eta = 0.1$  det. efficiency;

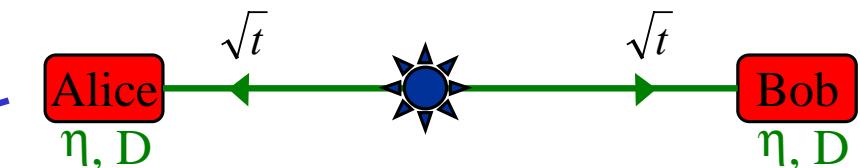
$D = 10^{-4}$  dark count;

$\alpha = 0.25$  dB/km attenuation



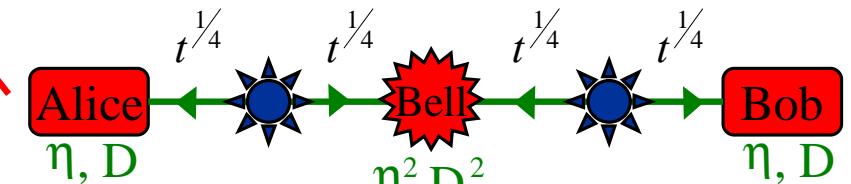
$$C = t \cdot \eta$$

$$Q = D \cdot (1 - t \cdot \eta)$$



$$C = t \cdot \eta^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= (1 - \sqrt{t}\eta)^2 D^2 + 2\sqrt{t}\eta(1 - \sqrt{t}\eta) \cdot D \\ &= (\sqrt{t}\eta + (1 - \sqrt{t}\eta)D)^2 - t\eta^2 \end{aligned}$$



$$C = t \cdot \eta^4$$

$$Q = \left( t^{1/4}\eta + (1 - t^{1/4}\eta)D \right)^4 - t\eta^4 \quad 15$$



# Conclusion

- qubits and entangled qubits can be realized using time-bins.
- entangled qudits in arbitrary high dimension d can be realized.
- partially entangled qubits are robust over 11 km.
- Q teleportation
  - with:
    - *telecom wavelength*
    - *two different crystals (spatially separated sources)*
    - *from one wavelength (1300 nm) to another (1550 nm)*
    - *first time with time-bins (ie insensitive to polarization fluctuations)*
    - *over 2 km of fiber and 55 meters of physical distance*
    - *mean fidelity : ≈ 81% both in the lab and at a distance*
  - = the possibility to teleport the "ultimate structure" of an object from one place to another, without the object ever being anywhere in between