

Control of spatial quantum fluctuations using photonic crystals

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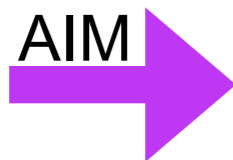


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SELF-ORGANIZATION
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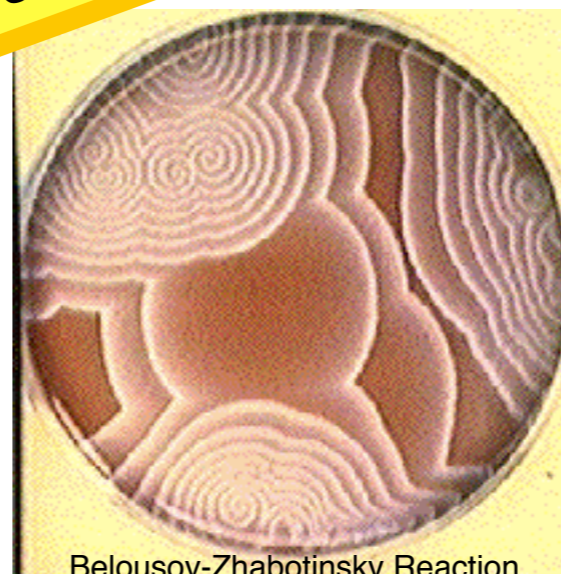
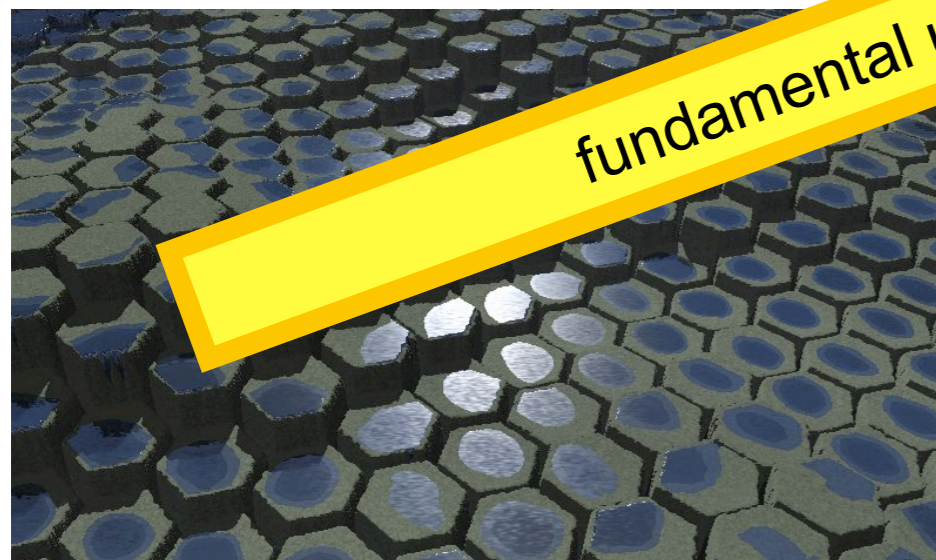
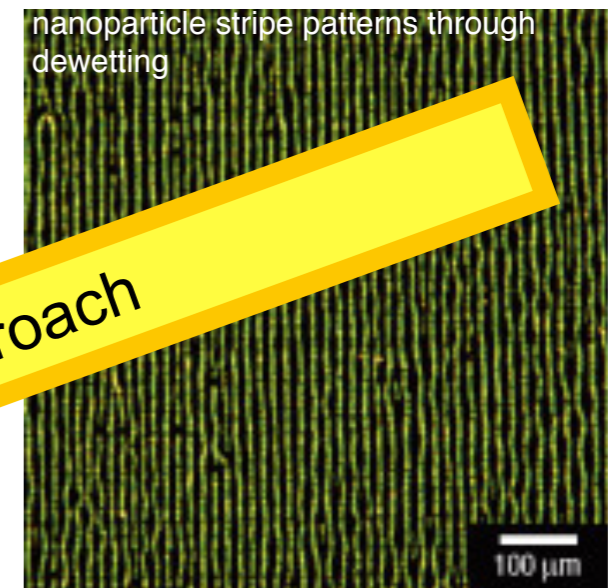
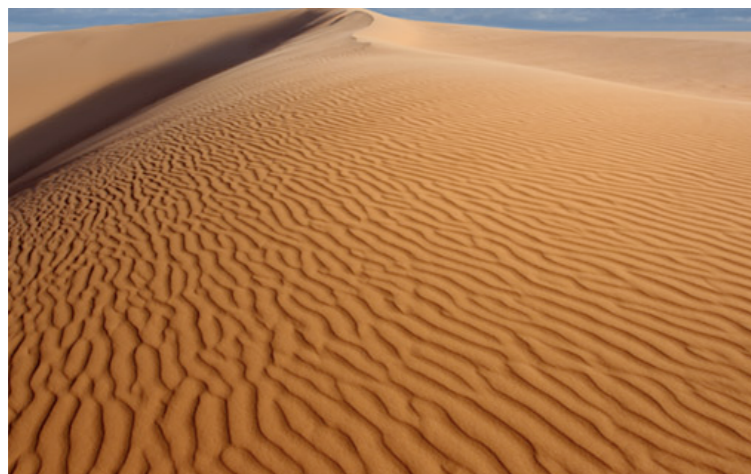
study the possibility to *control* the state of light emitted by optical parametric oscillator using *photonic crystals*

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PATTERN FORMATION

self-organization phenomenon in complex systems, arising from the interplay between nonlinear dynamics and spatial coupling in systems out of equilibrium

Haken '74, Nicolis & Prigogine '77



fundamental universal character, unified approach

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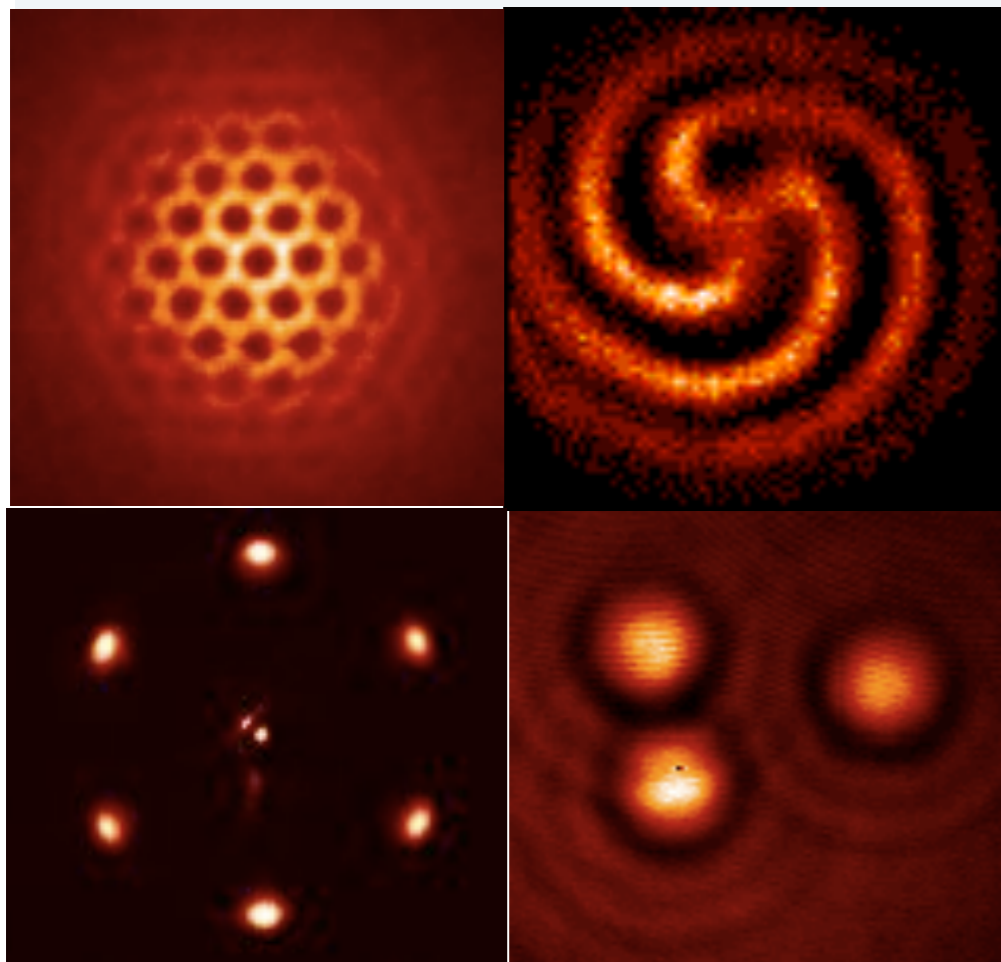
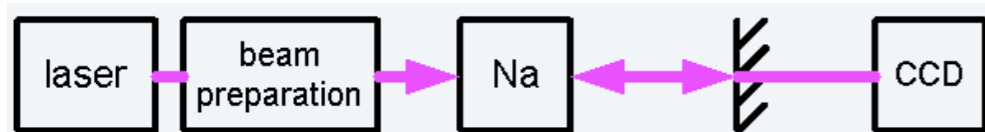
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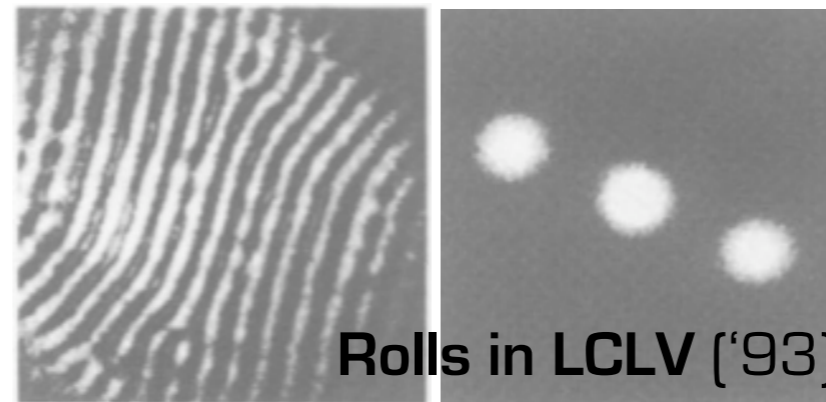
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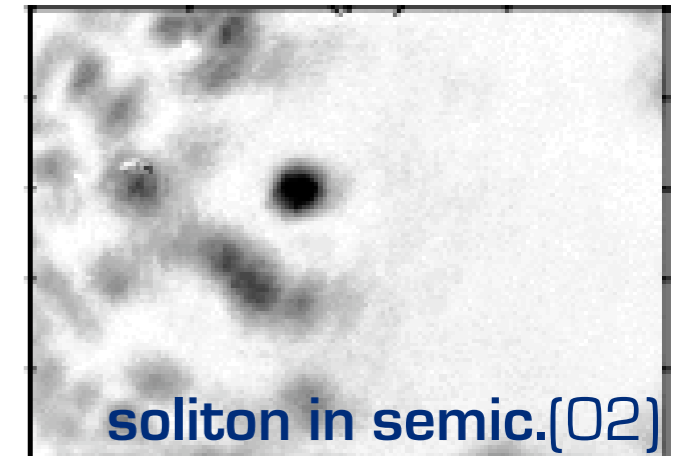


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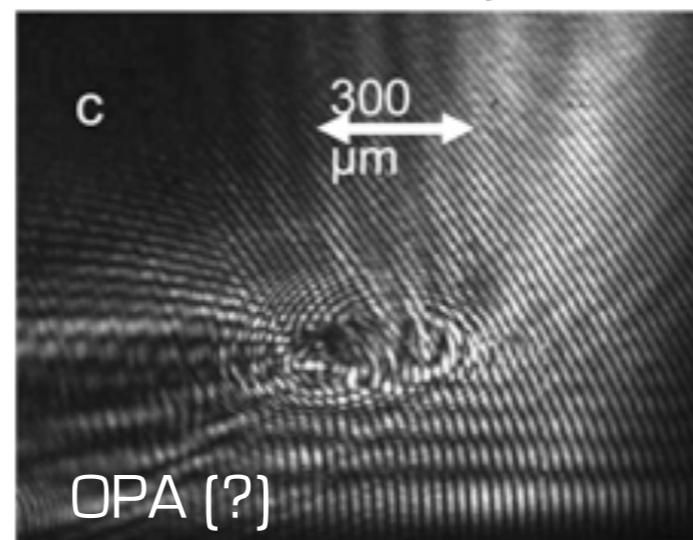
Rolls in LCLV ('93)

Inst. No Lineal Nice

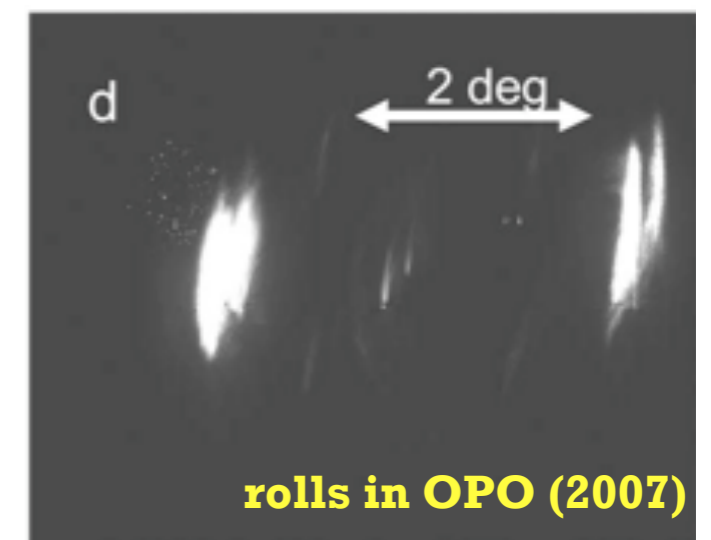


soliton in semic.(02)

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OPA (?)



rolls in OPO (2007)

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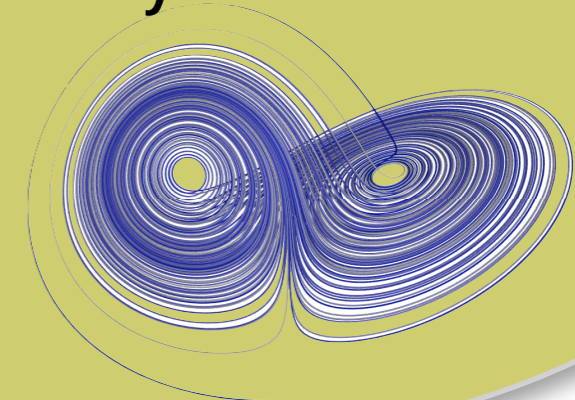
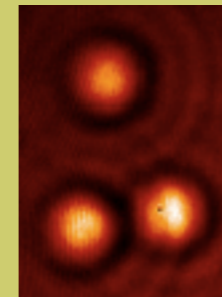
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quantum optics

$$|HH\rangle + |VV\rangle$$



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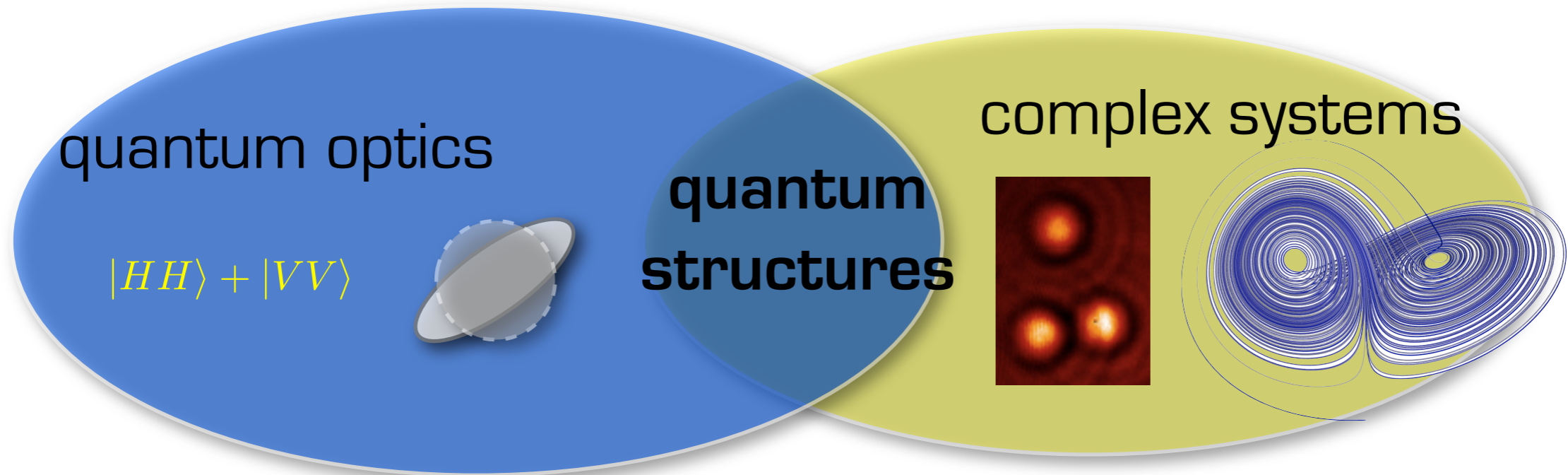
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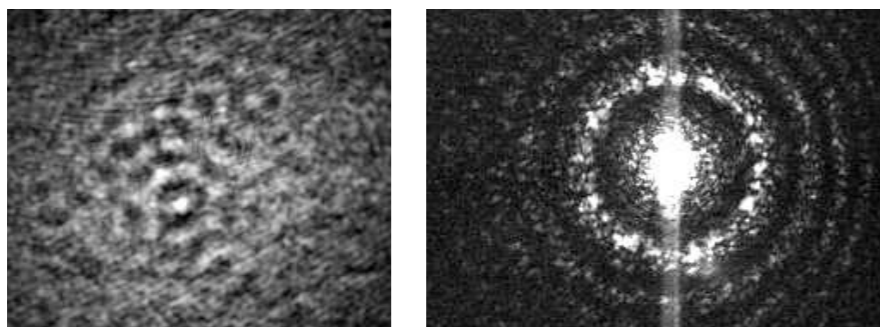
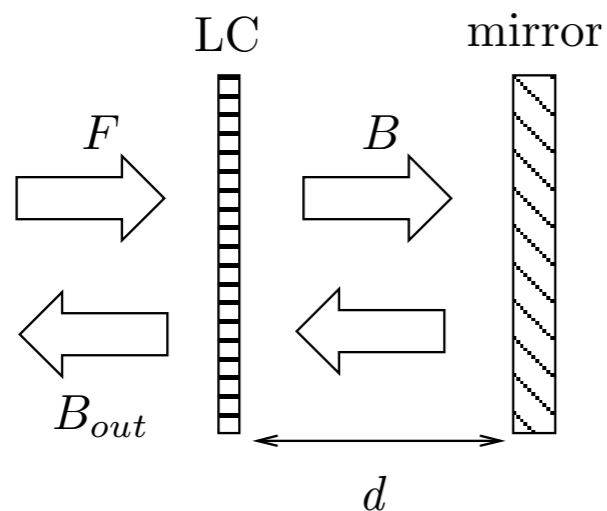
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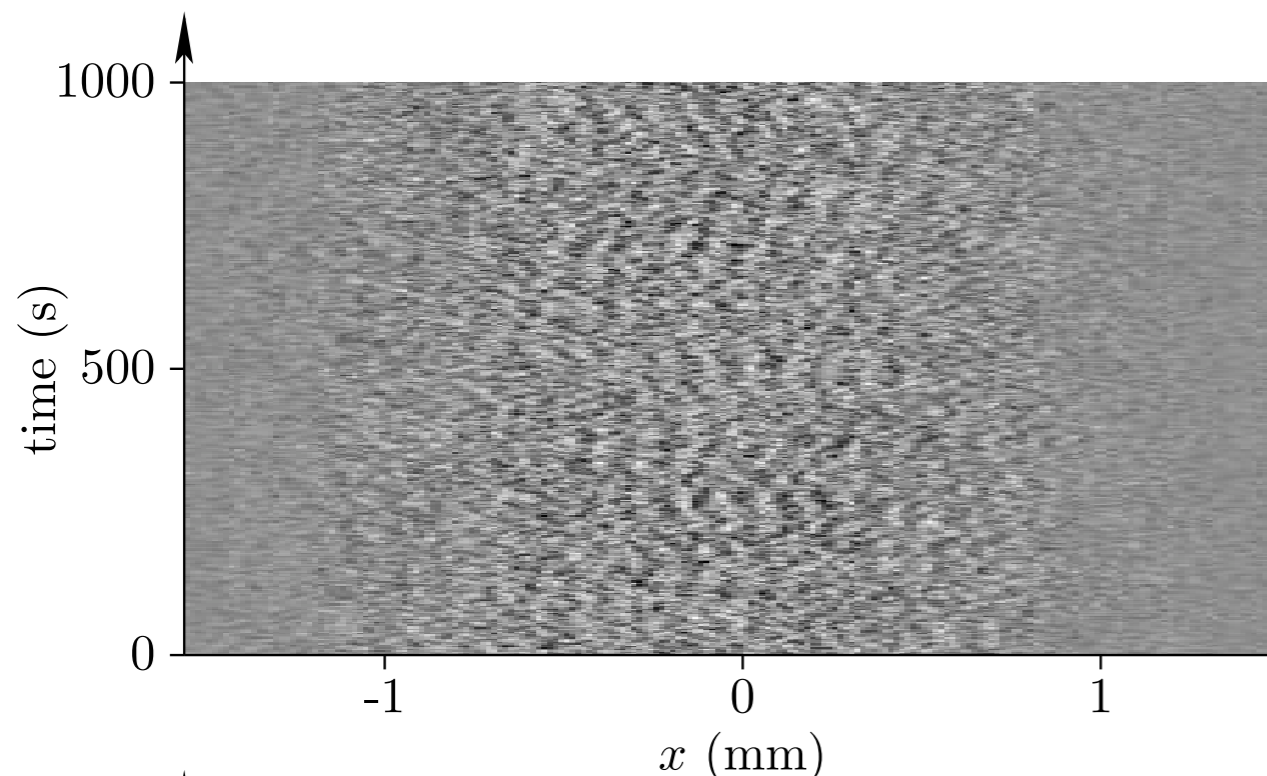
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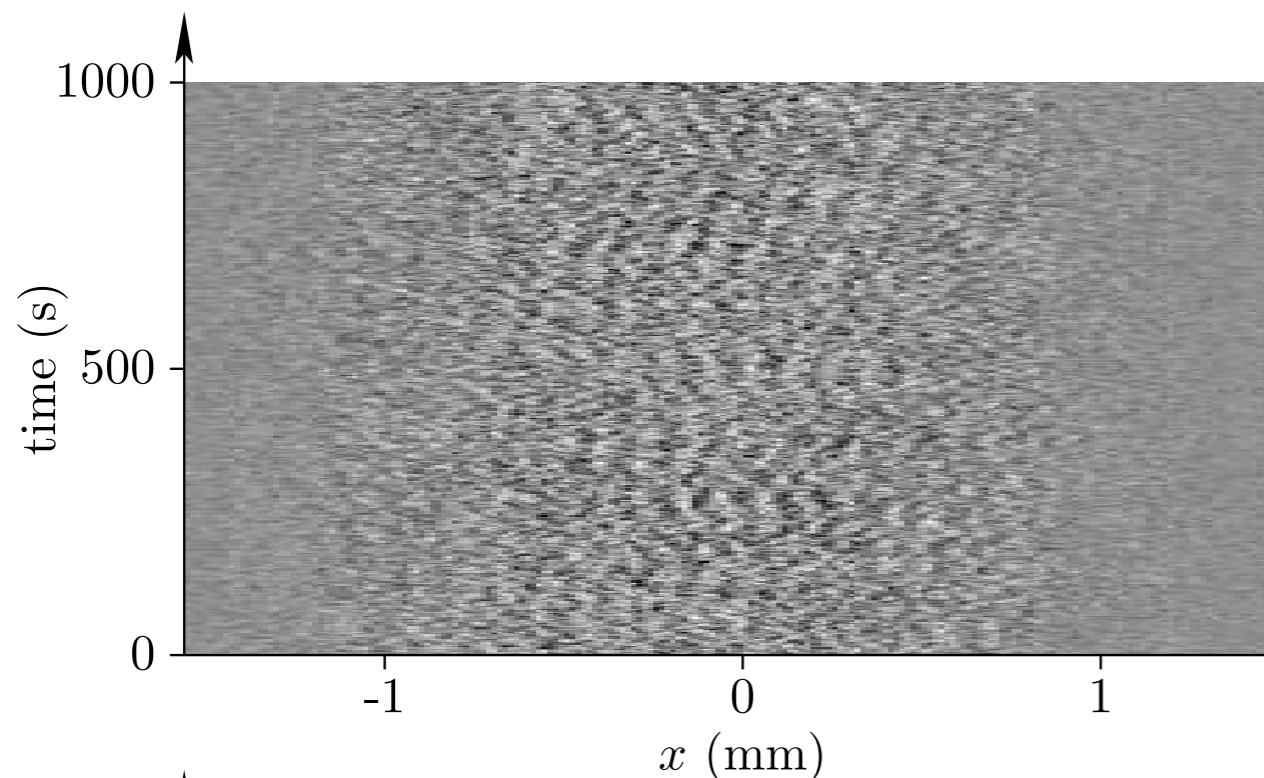
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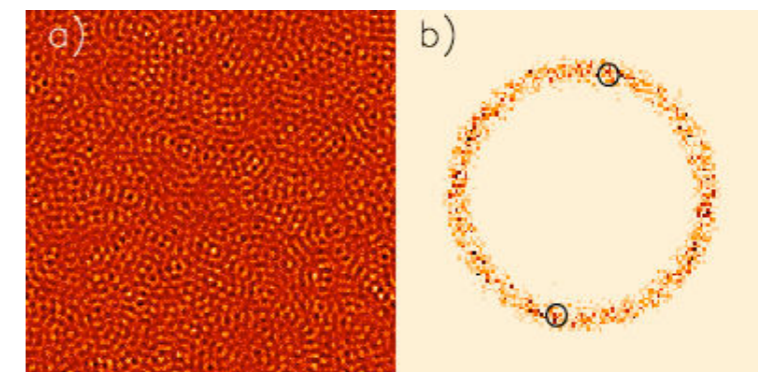
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quantum images: “spatial structures manifested by the correlation functions” between the field at different points, and also by the “very noisy images” of the spatial fluctuations

Lugiato & al. (96).

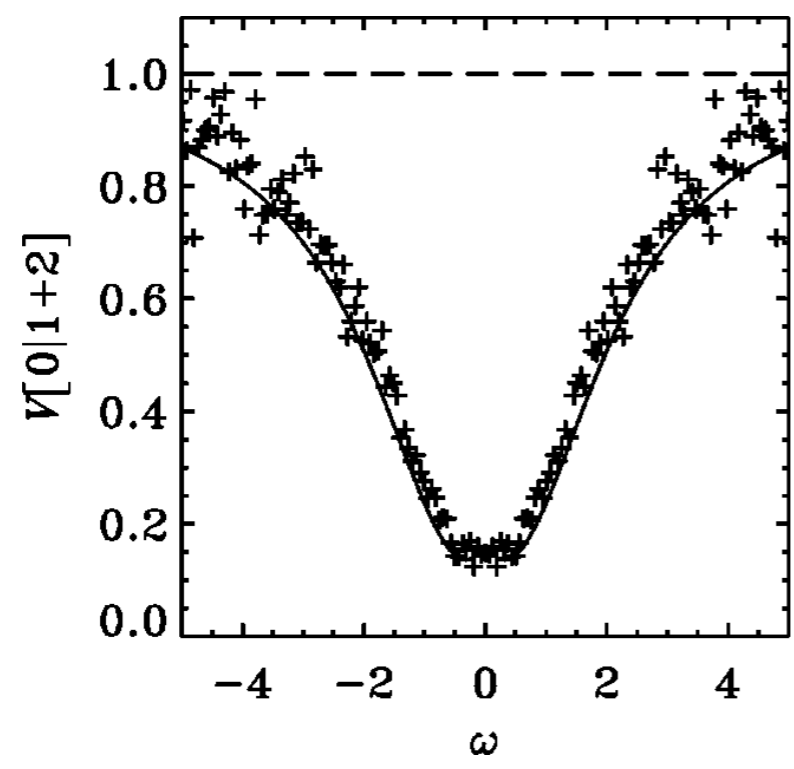


twin photons

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below threshold: twin beams,
2 mode squeezed vacuum...

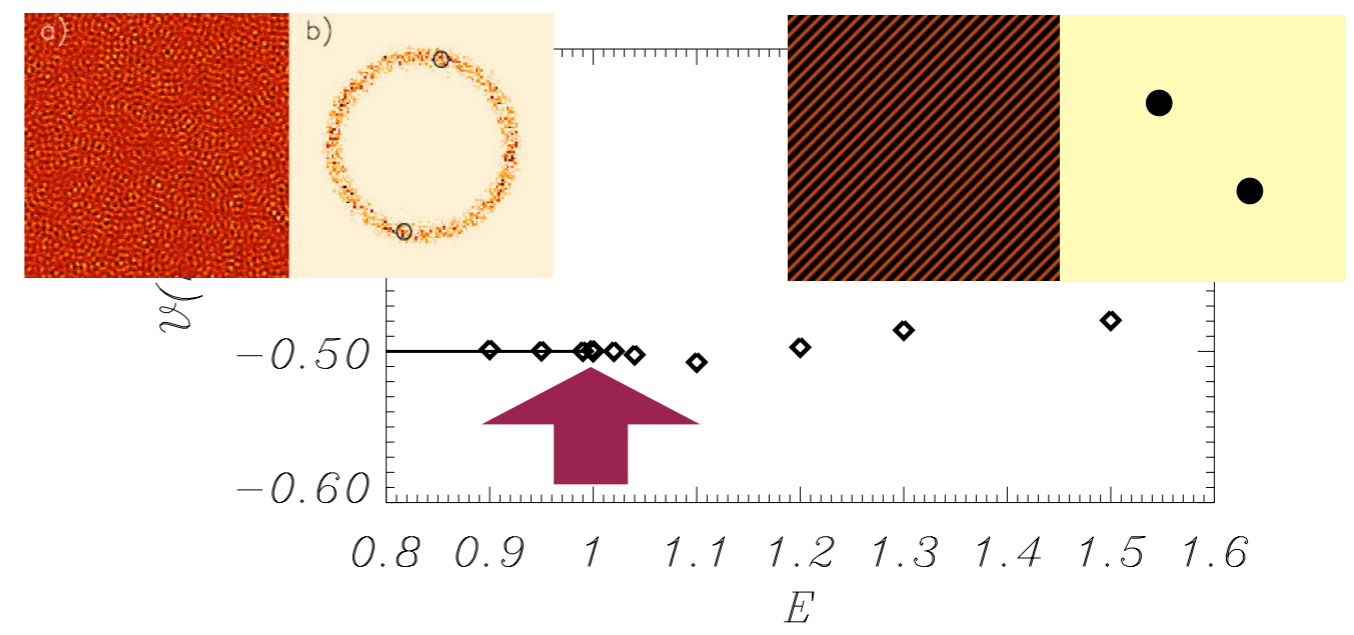


... in stationary patterns

INTENSE FIELDS

above threshold
'macroscopically' populated spatial modes.
Quantum effects?

$$\mathcal{V}(k) = \frac{\langle : [\delta \hat{N}_1(k) - \delta \hat{N}_1(-k)]^2 : \rangle}{\mathcal{N}_N(k)}$$



Lugiato & Grynberg ('95), Hoyuelos et al. ('99), Zambrini et al., (2001)

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PHOTONIC CRYSTALS

movement of e^- in a semiconductor

light in a photonic crystal

PERIODICITY of CRYSTAL: BAND-GAP for e^-

PERIODICITY of n : BAND-GAP for photons

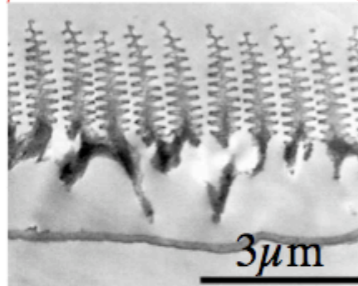
Photonic Crystals in Nature

Morpho rhetenor butterfly



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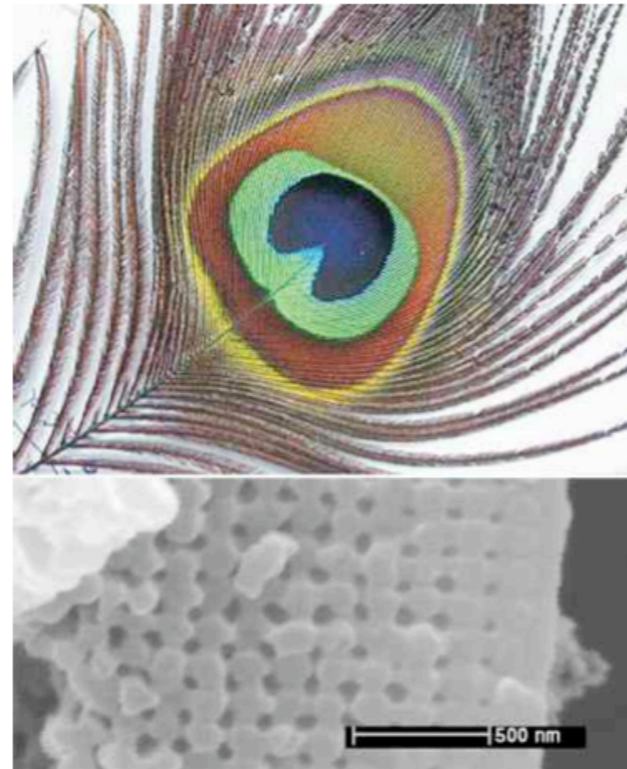
wing scale:



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Peacock feather



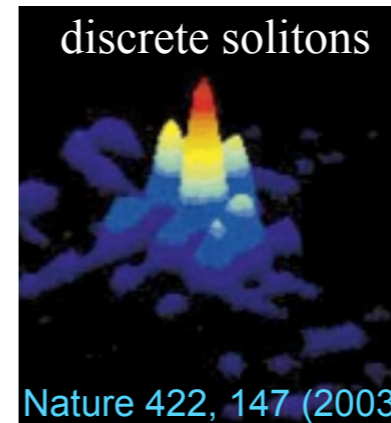
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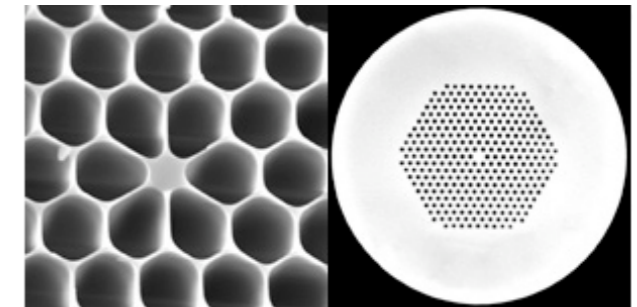
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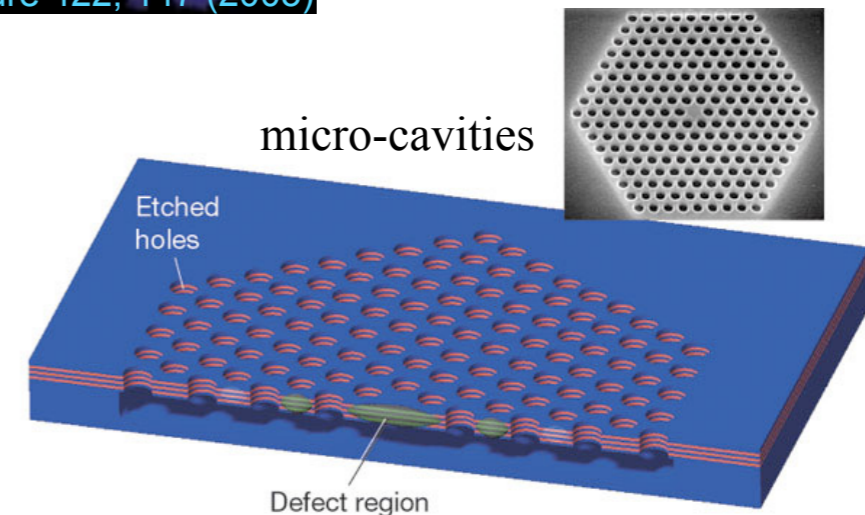
discrete solitons



PC fibers



micro-cavities

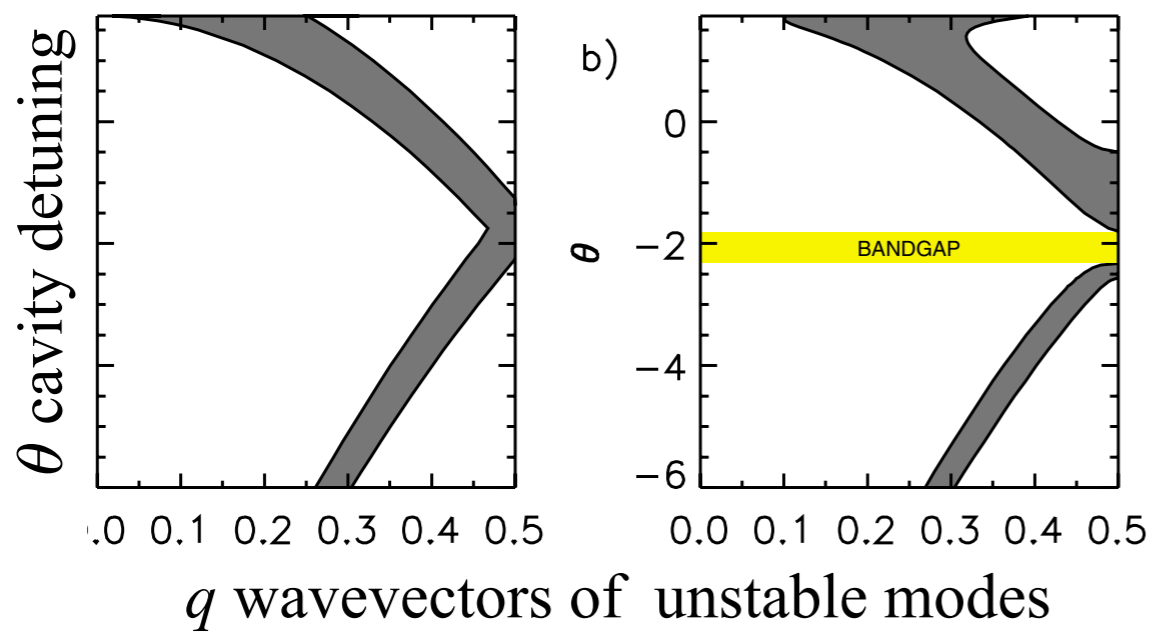
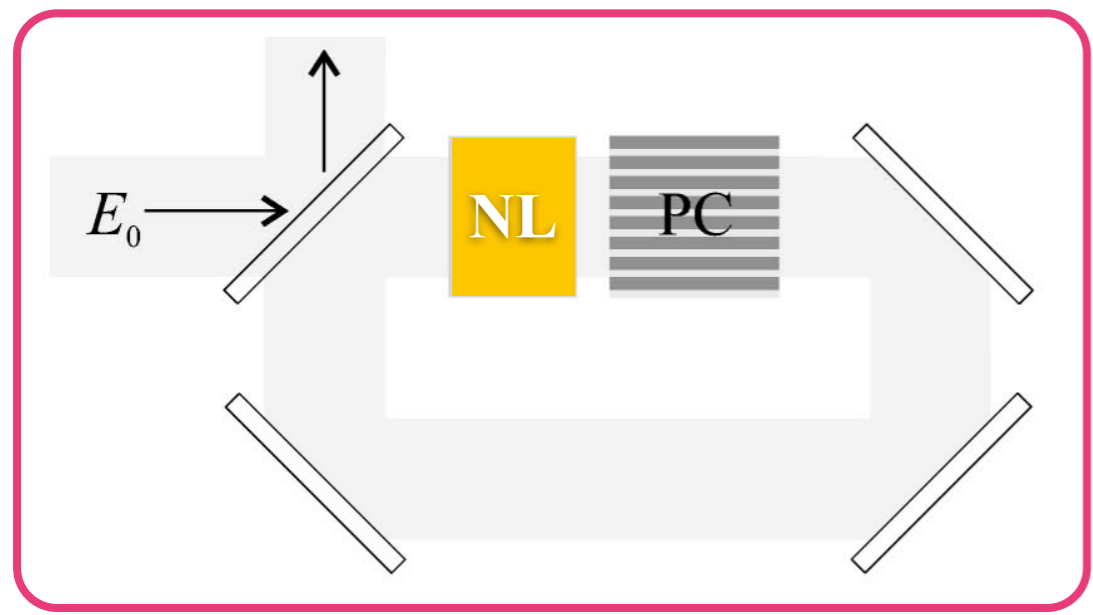


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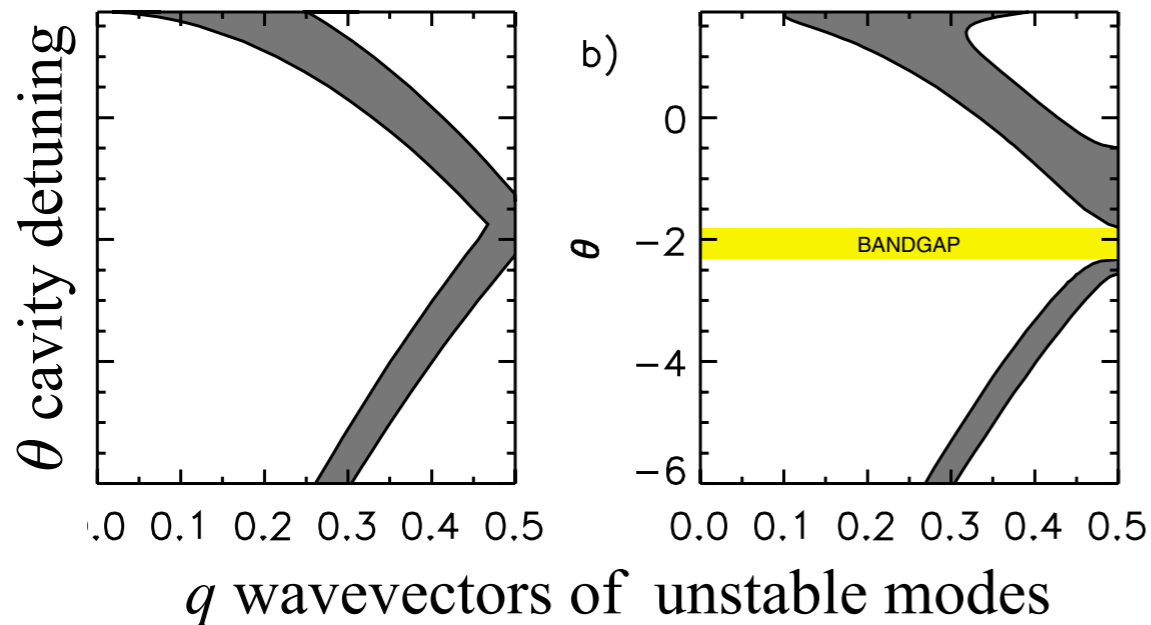
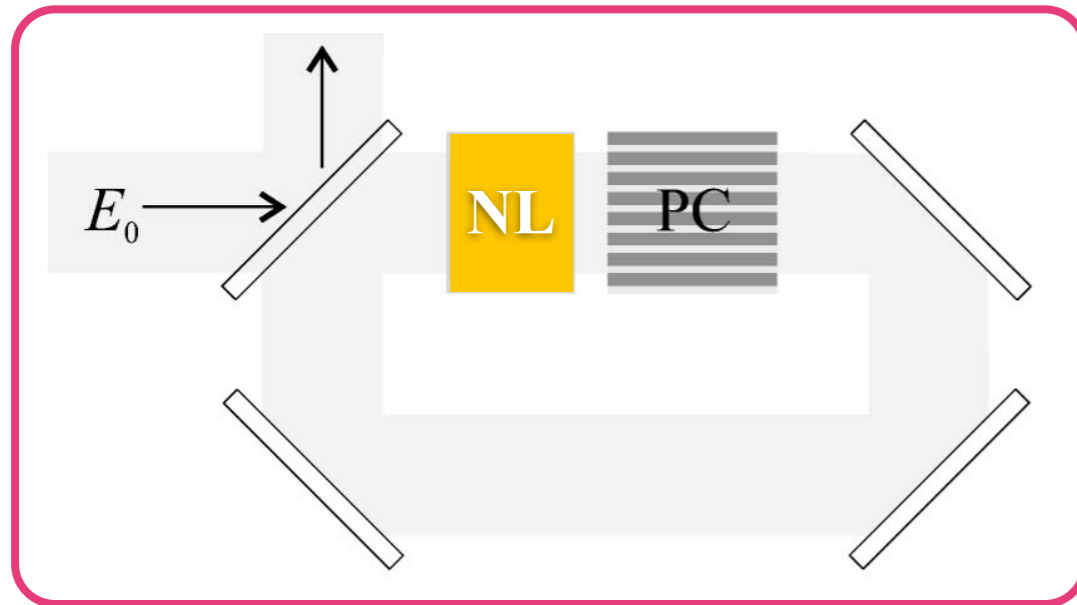


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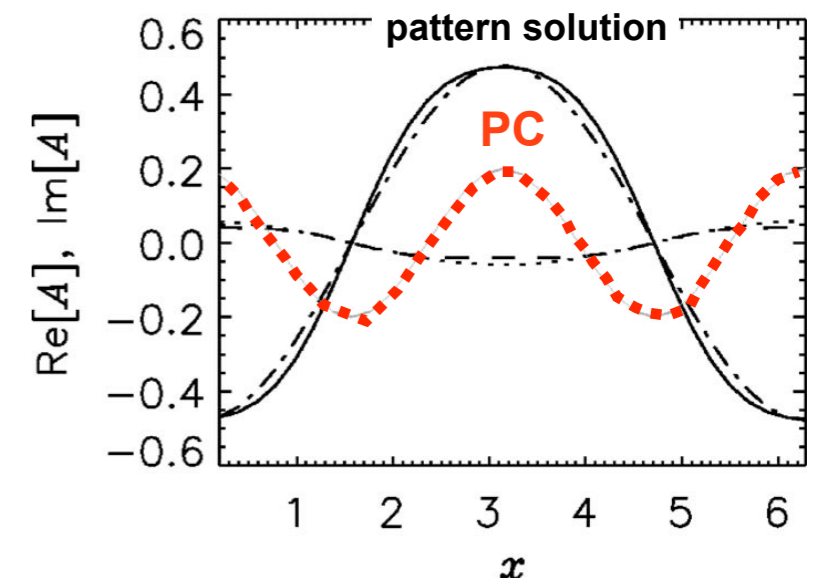
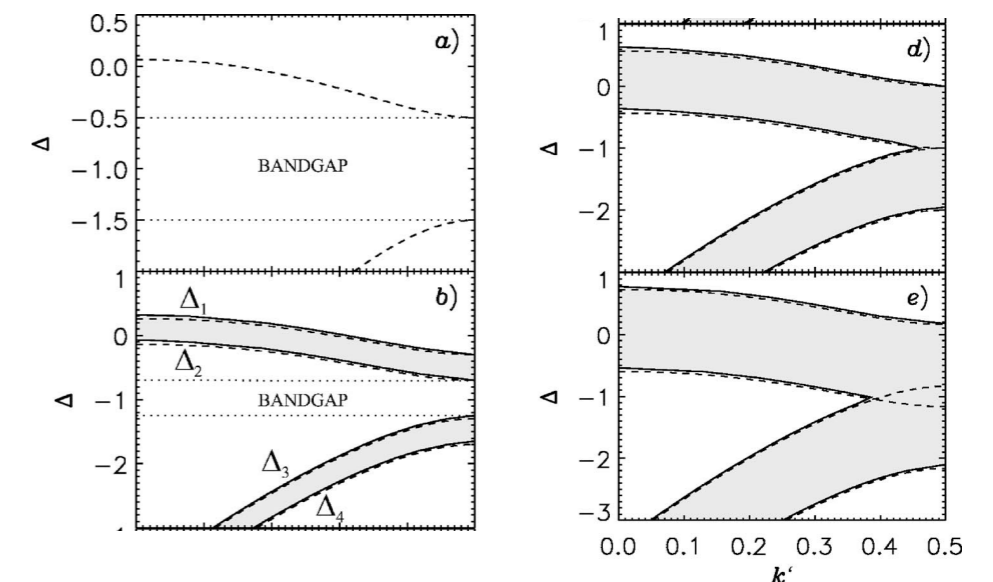
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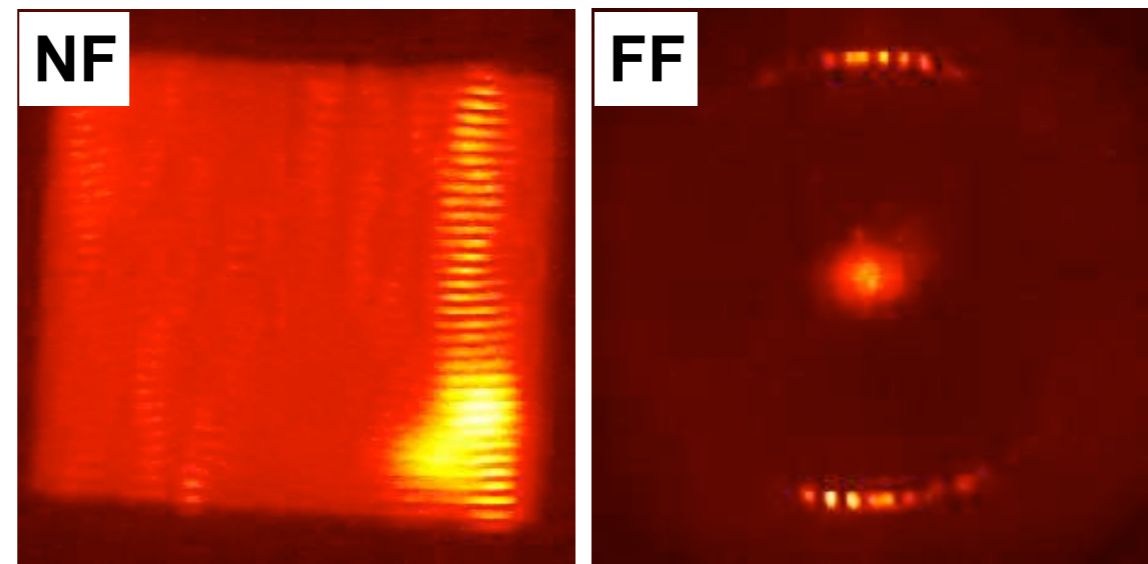


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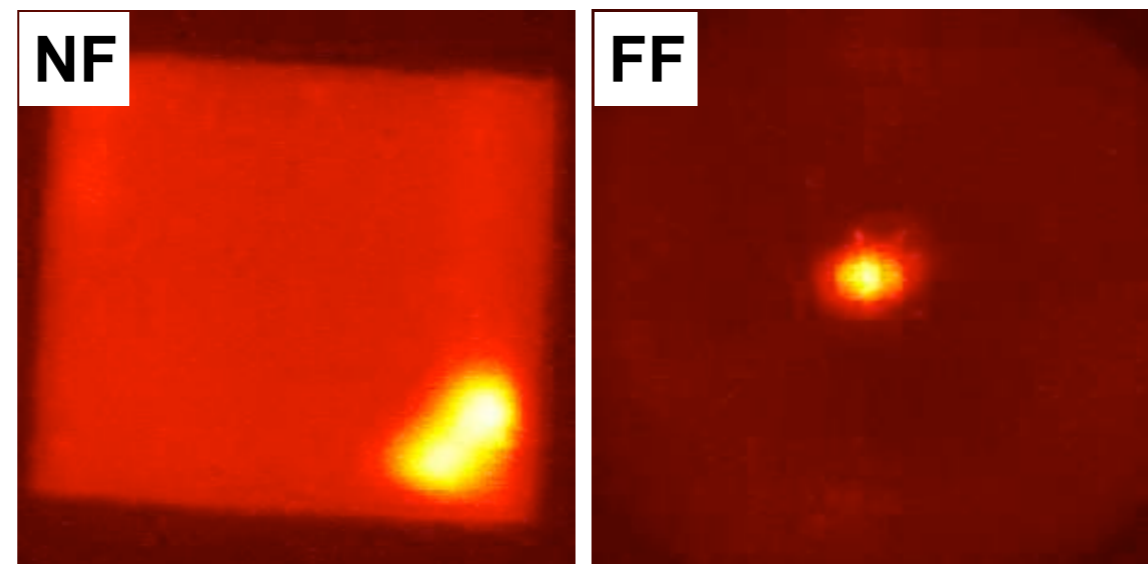
Experiment on PC inhibition of MI

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no PC

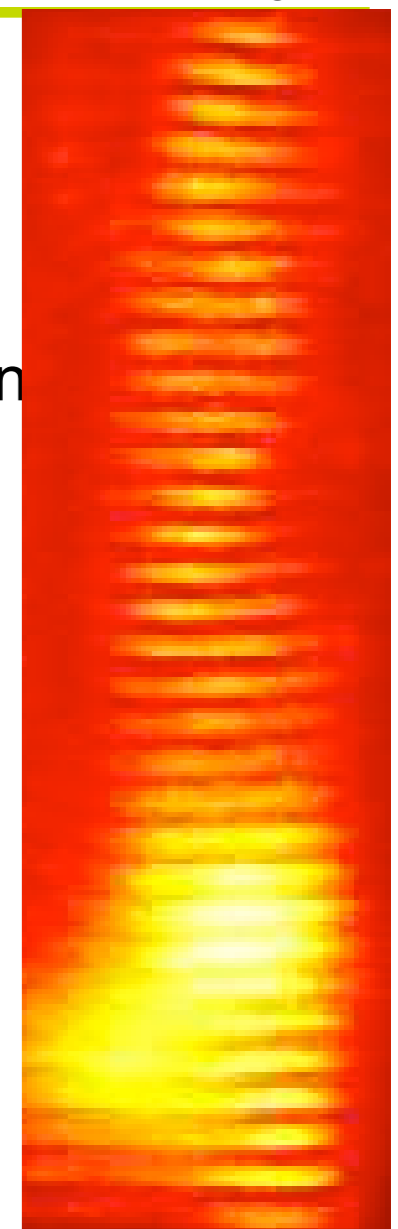


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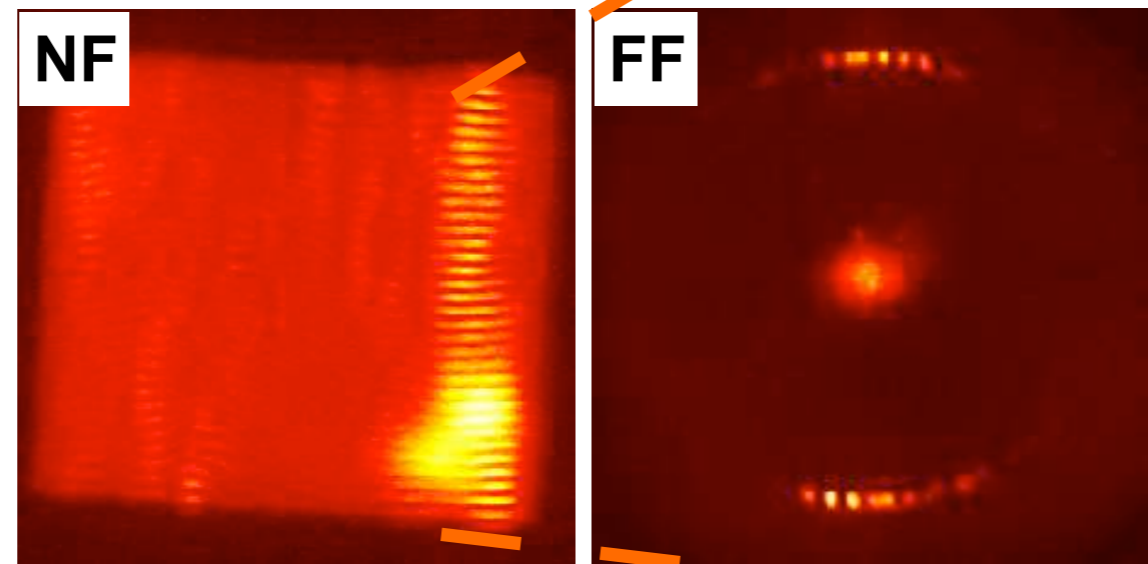


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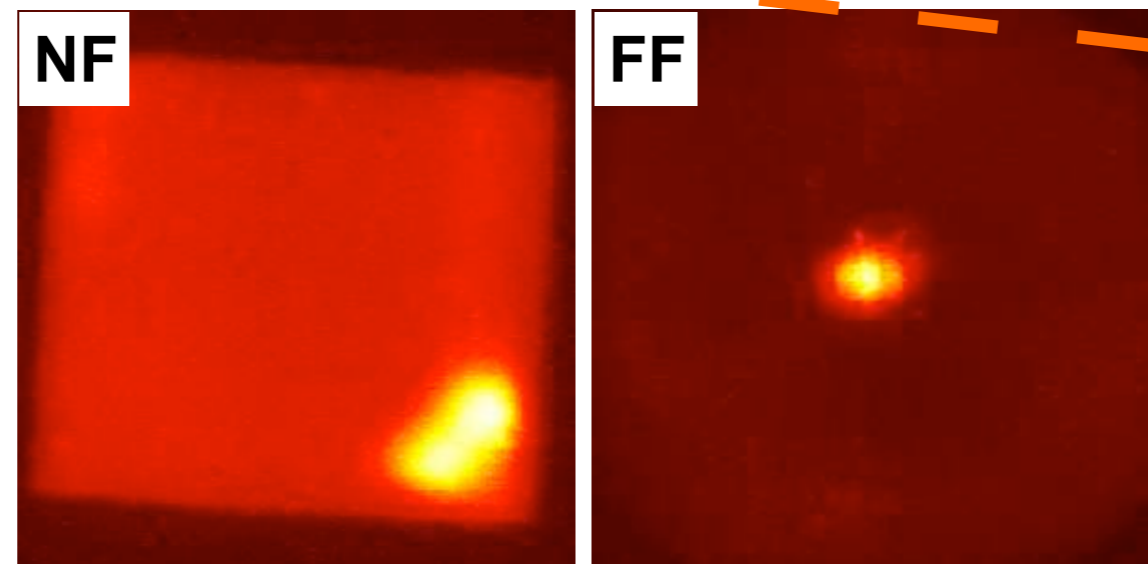
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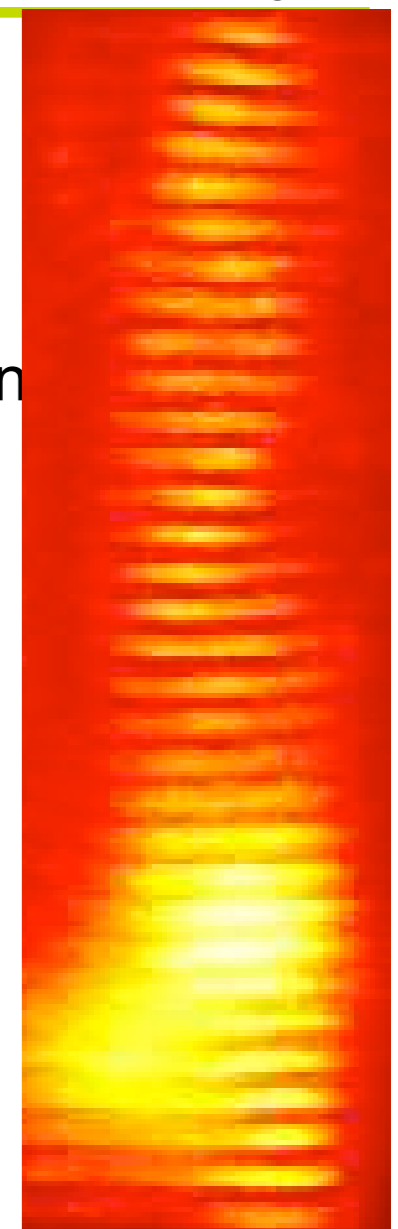


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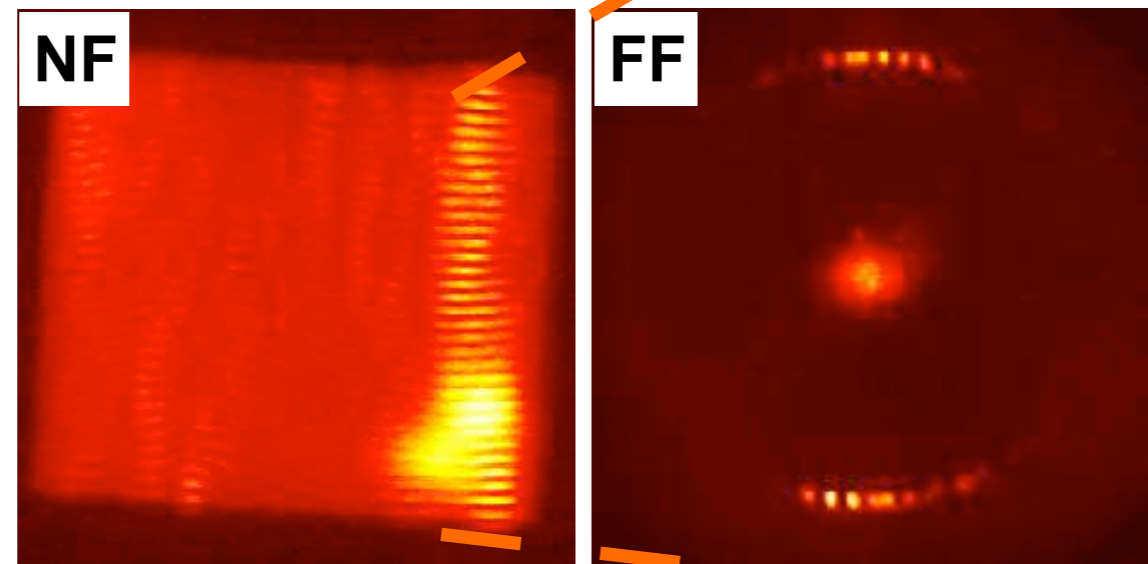


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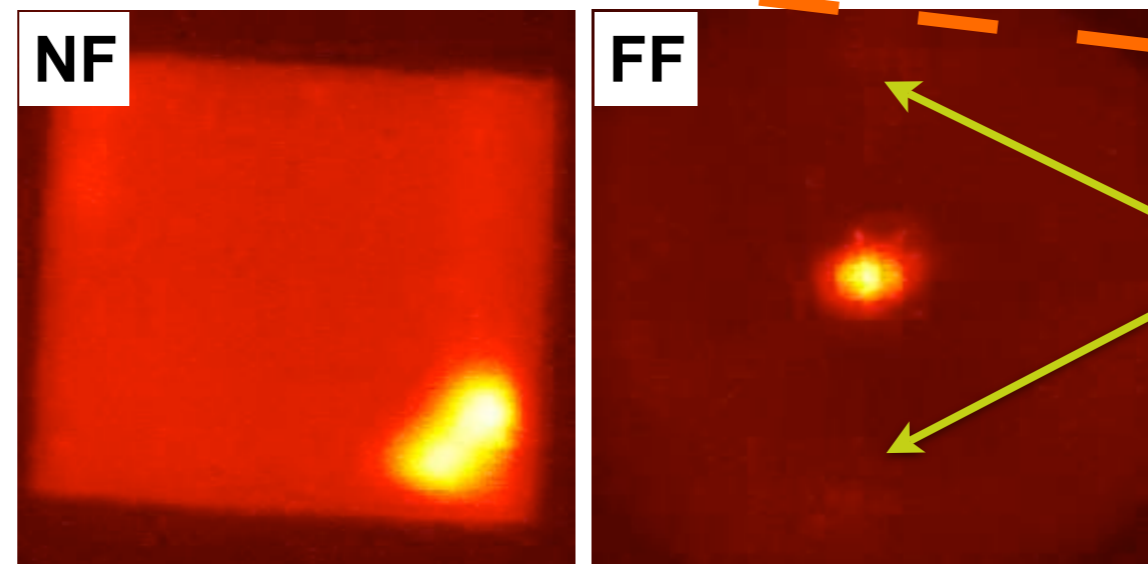
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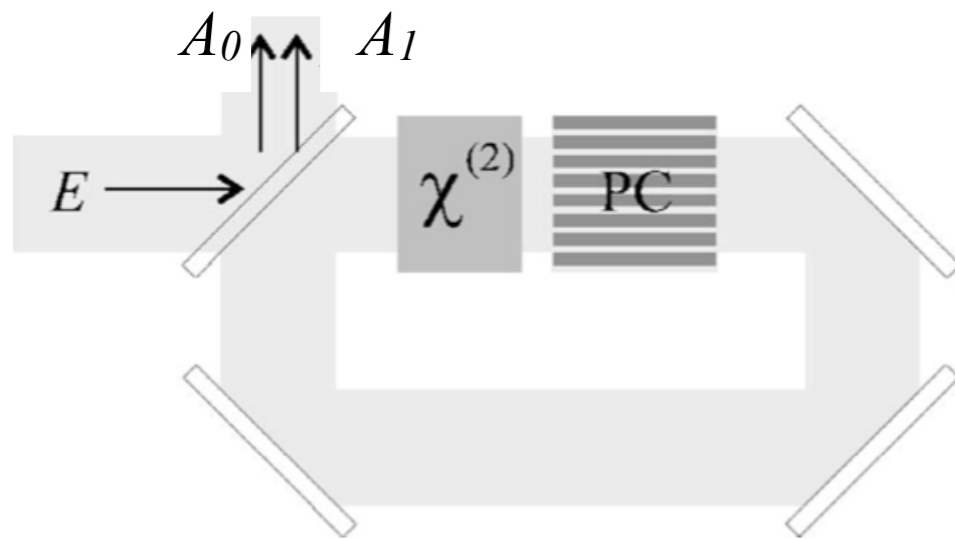


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NONLINEAR PHOTONS INTERACTIONS:
methodological challenge



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Fokker-Planck equation*

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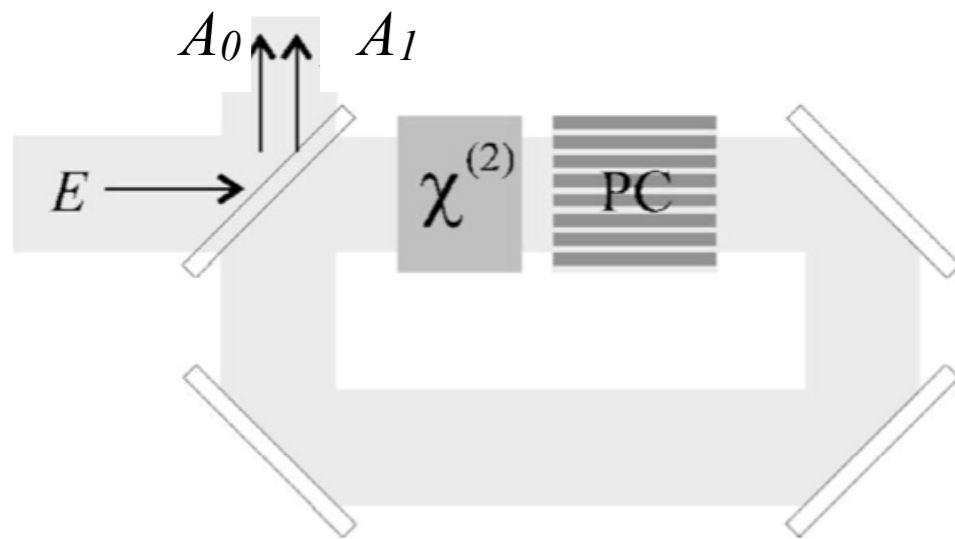
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cavity detunings

PC

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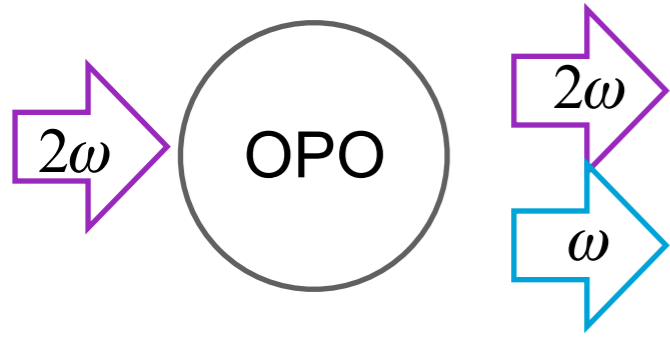
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MULTIPLICATIVE WHITE NOISE

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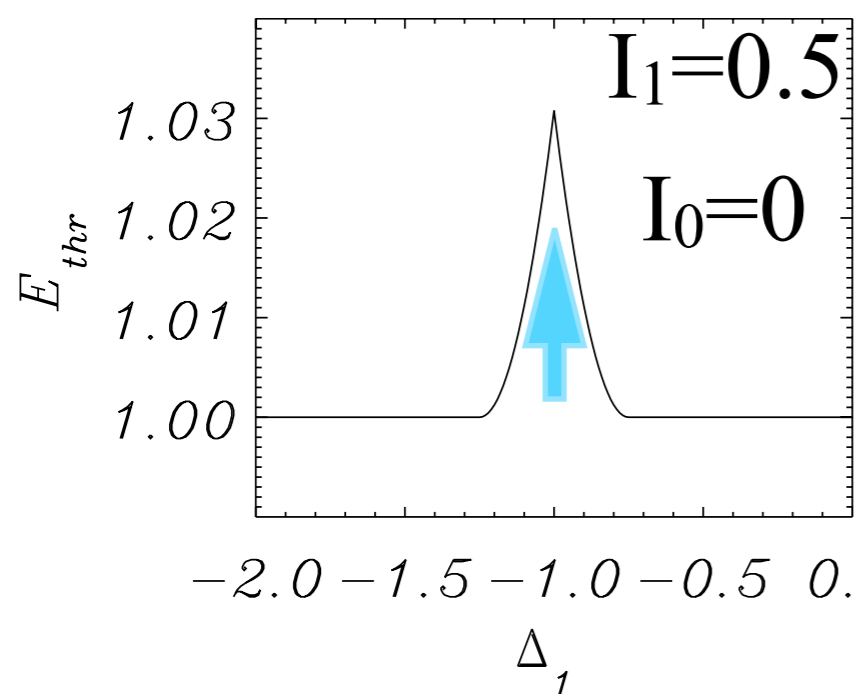
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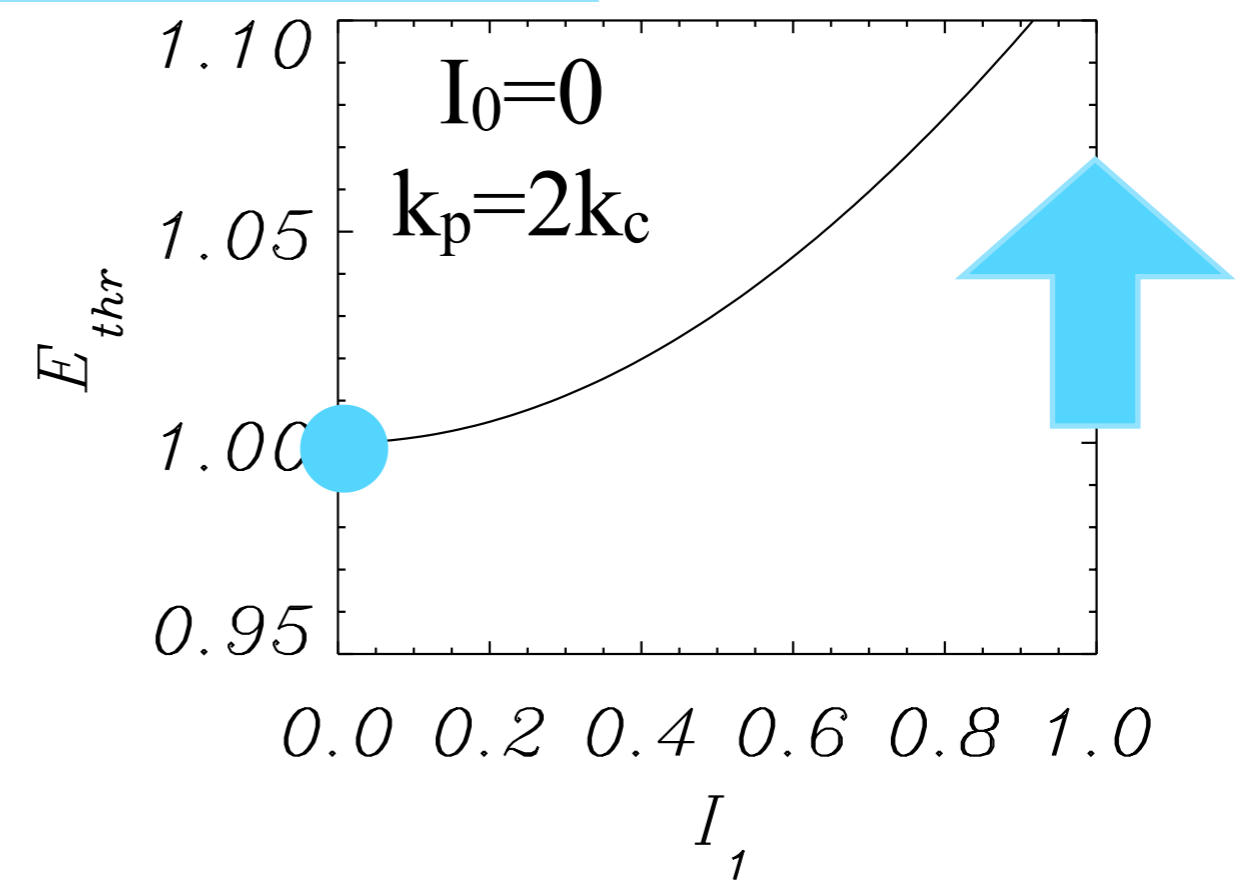
Threshold of emission of intense field at ω

$$E_c = \sqrt{1 + \Delta_0^2}$$

threshold inhibition -FOR DOWN CONVERSION & MI-

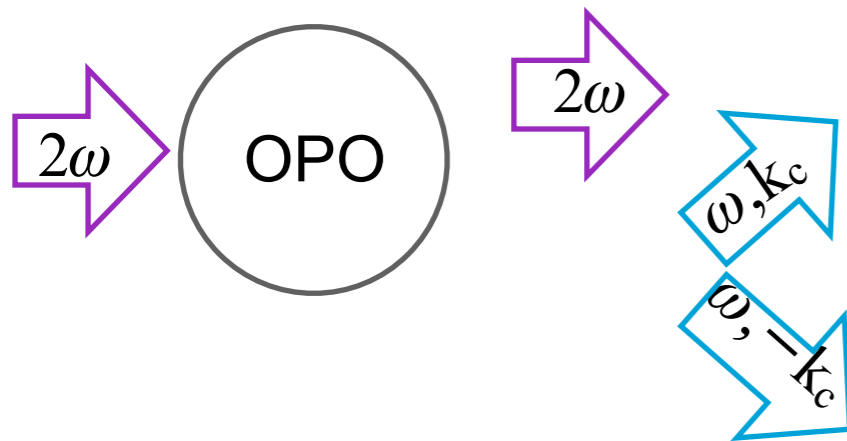


maximum at $k_p = 2k_c$



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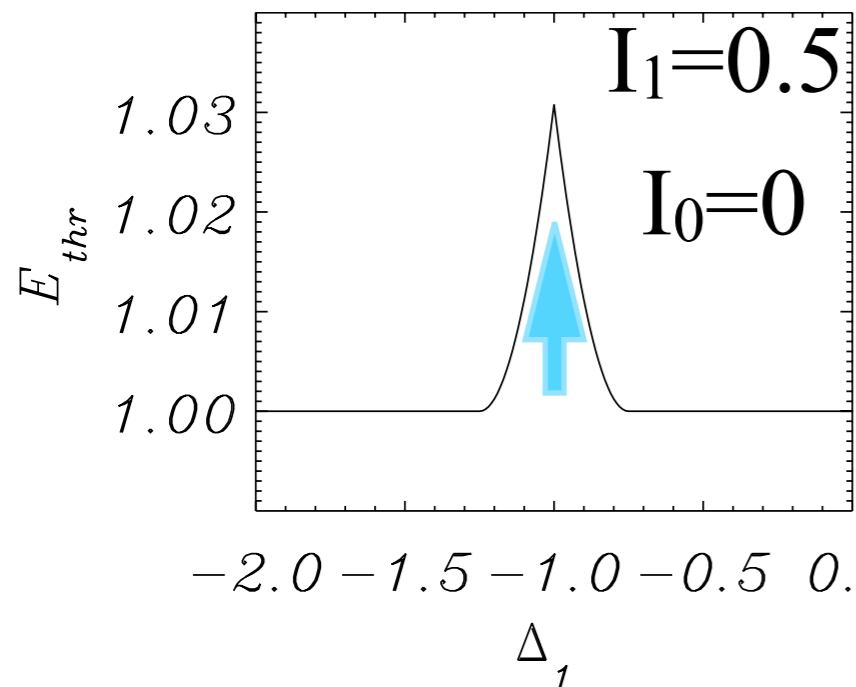


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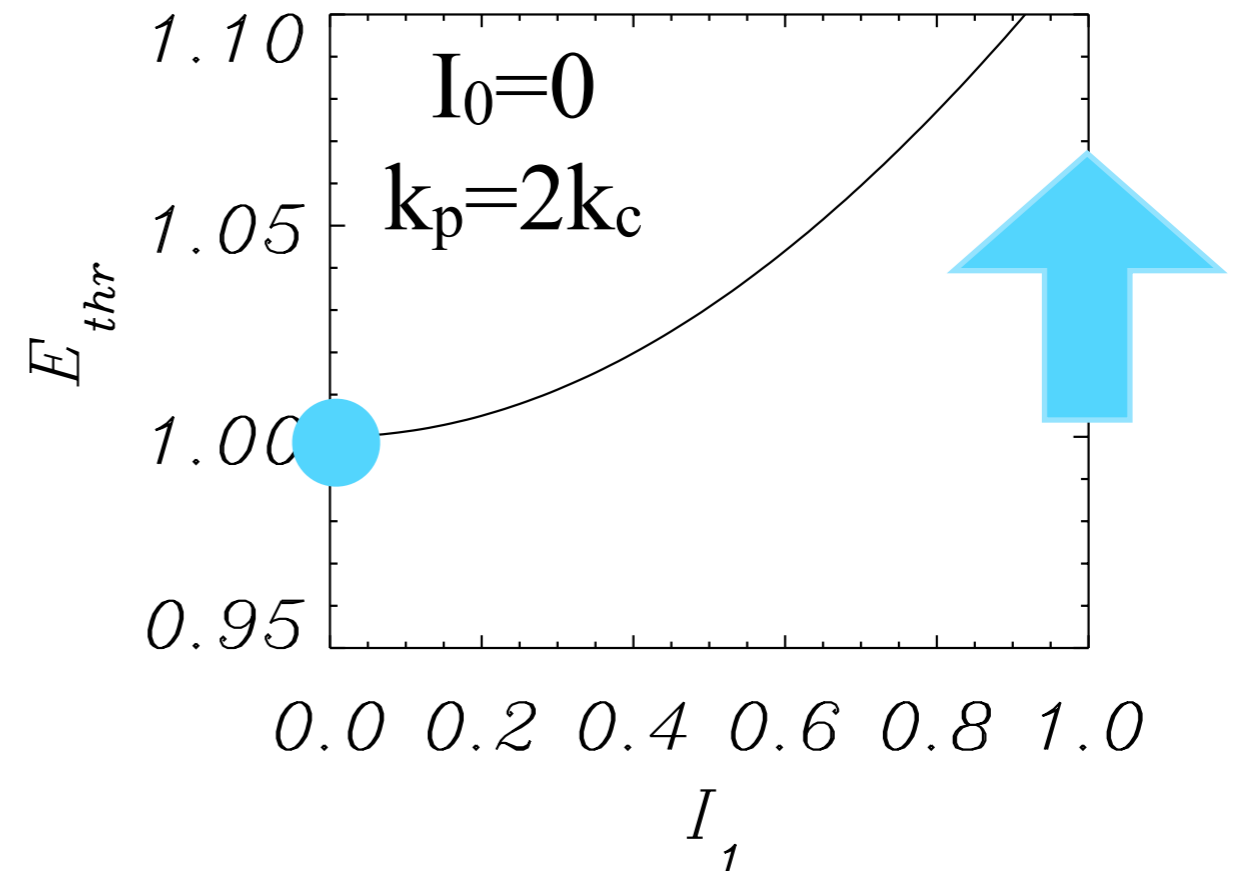
$$E_c = \sqrt{1 + \Delta_0^2}$$

for negative \rightarrow emission of tilted waves
signal detuning

threshold inhibition -FOR DOWN CONVERSION & MI-

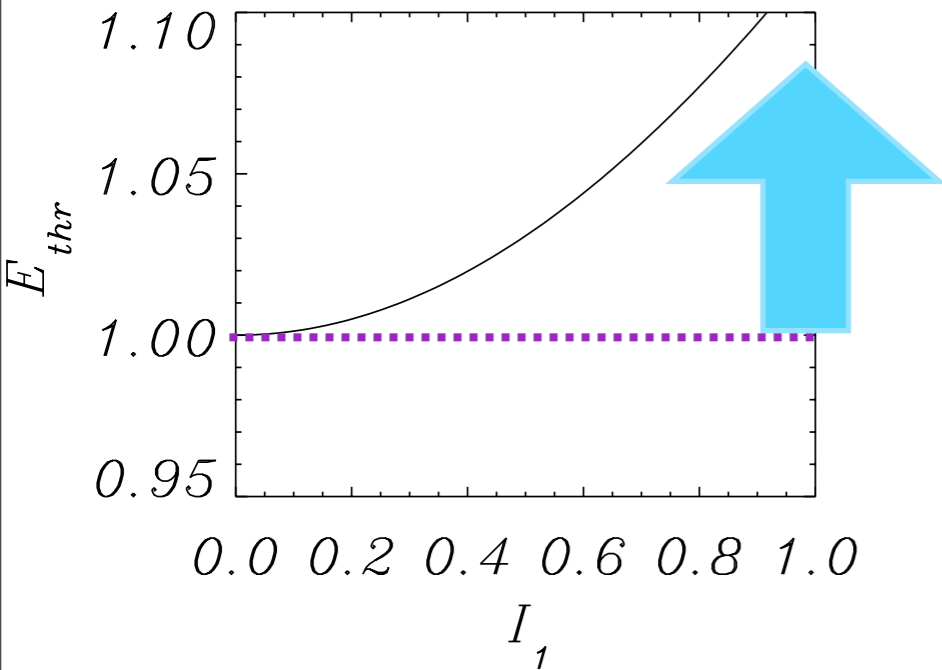


maximum at $k_p = 2k_c$

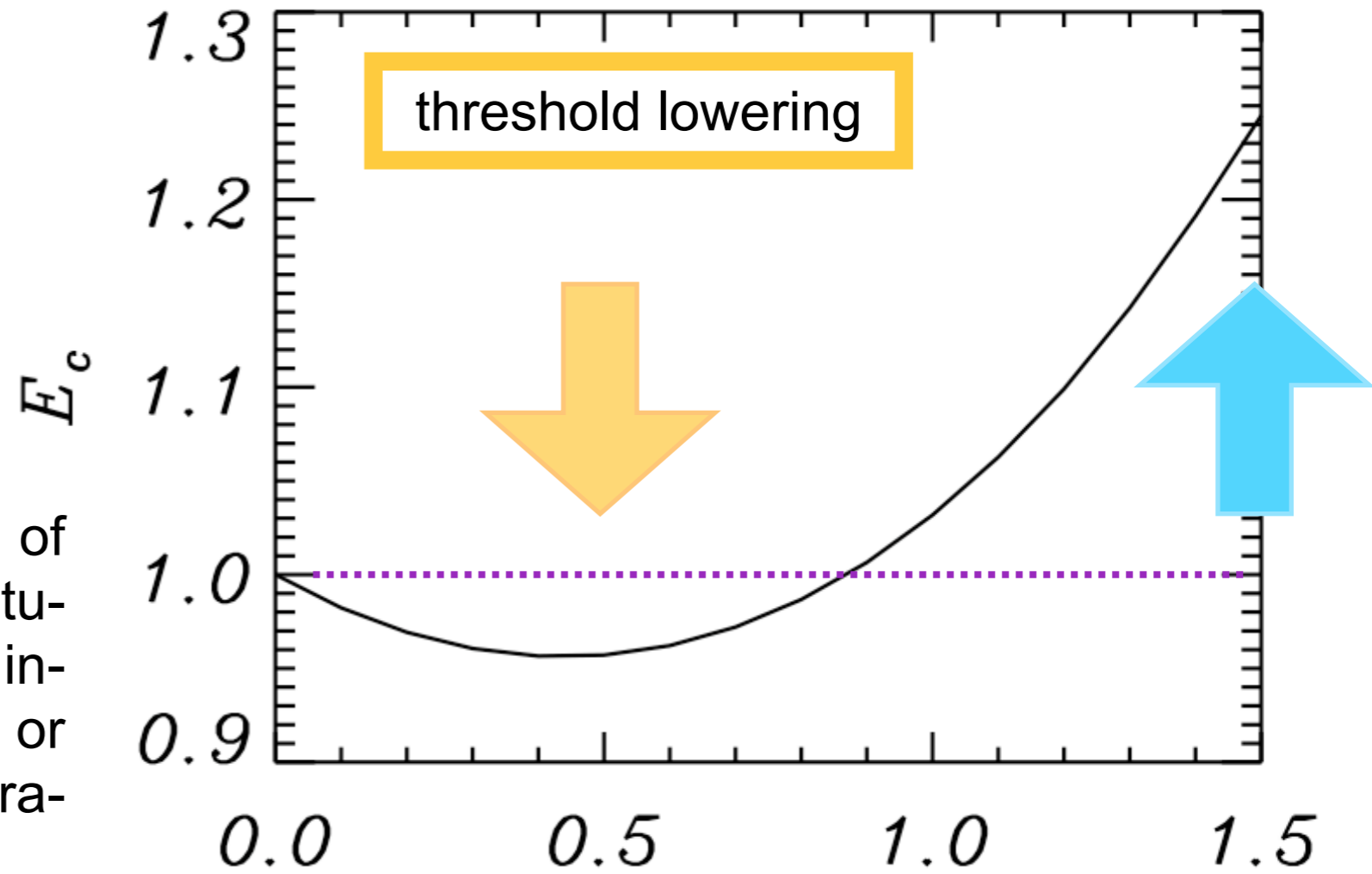


PARAMETRIC THRESHOLD

$I_0=0, k_p=2k_c$



$I_0=I_1, k_p=2k_c$

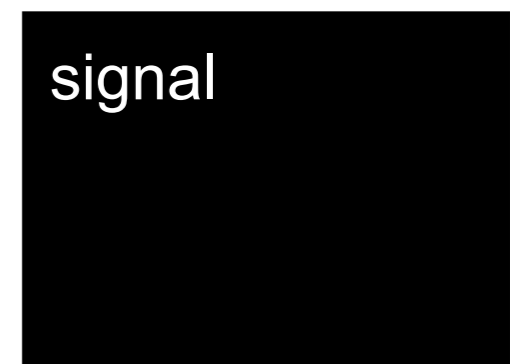
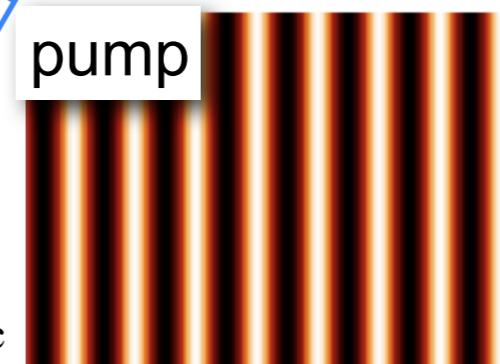
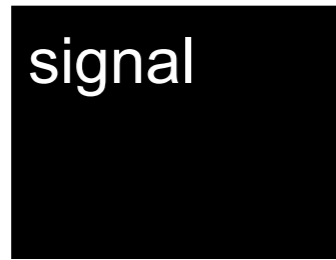
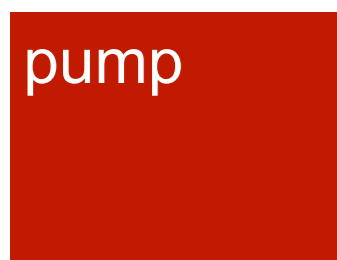
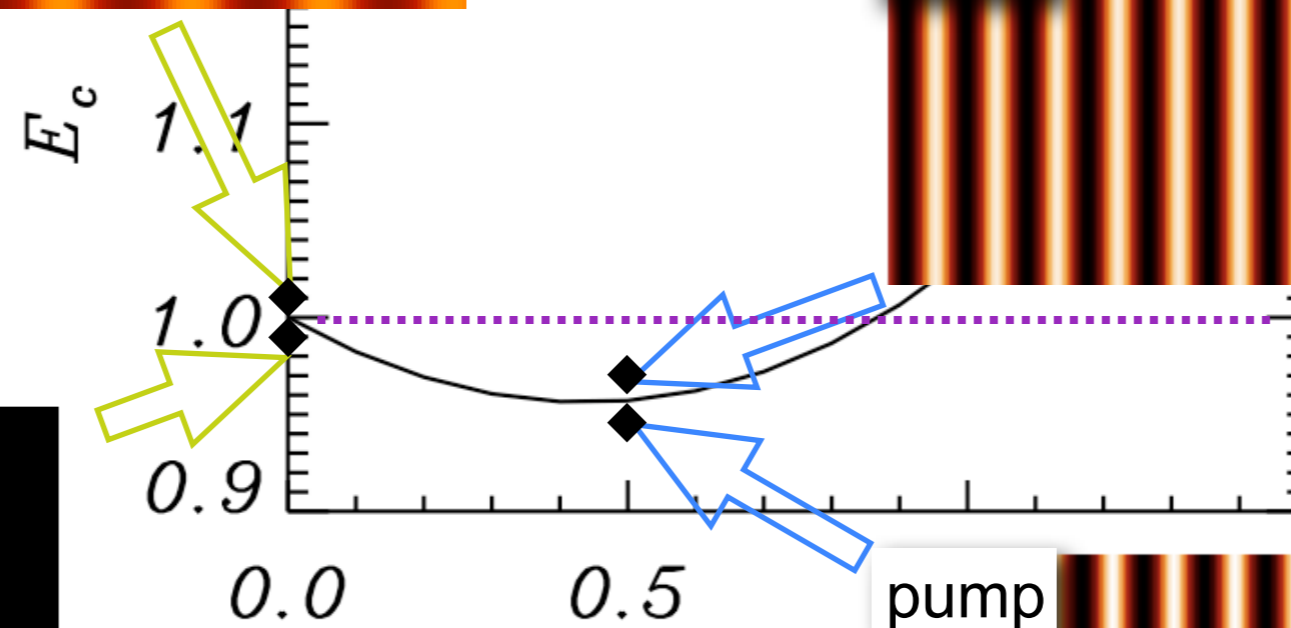
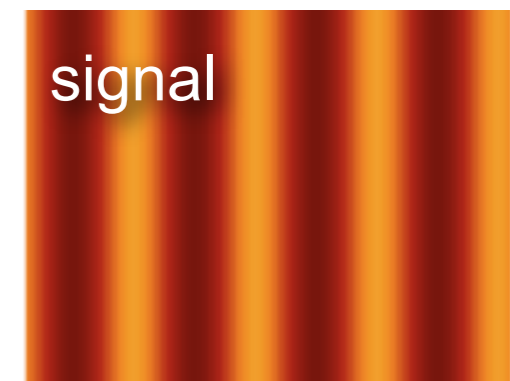
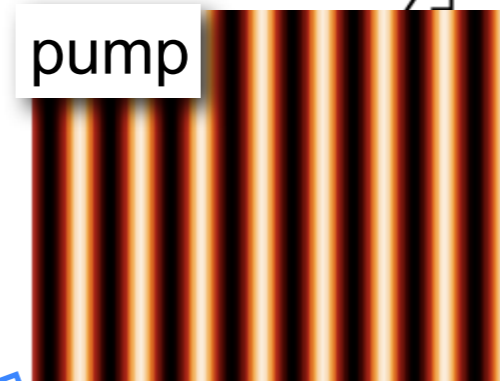
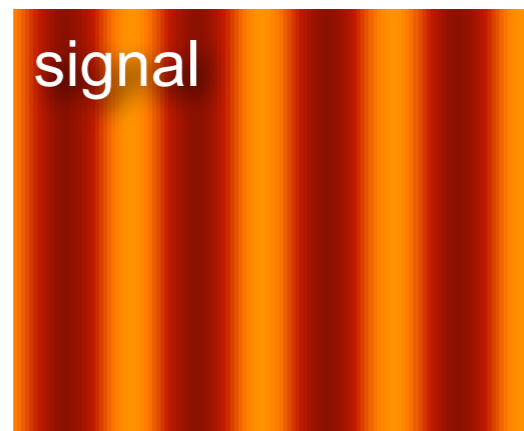


depending on the relative amplitude of modulation in pump and signal detunings, the threshold value can be increased (**inhibition** of the instability) or decreased (**enhancement** of the parametric effect for a given E).

why? PC excites harmonic of critical mode $k_p=2k_c$...

pump profile and signal pattern

CASE: $I_0=I_1, k_p=2k_c$



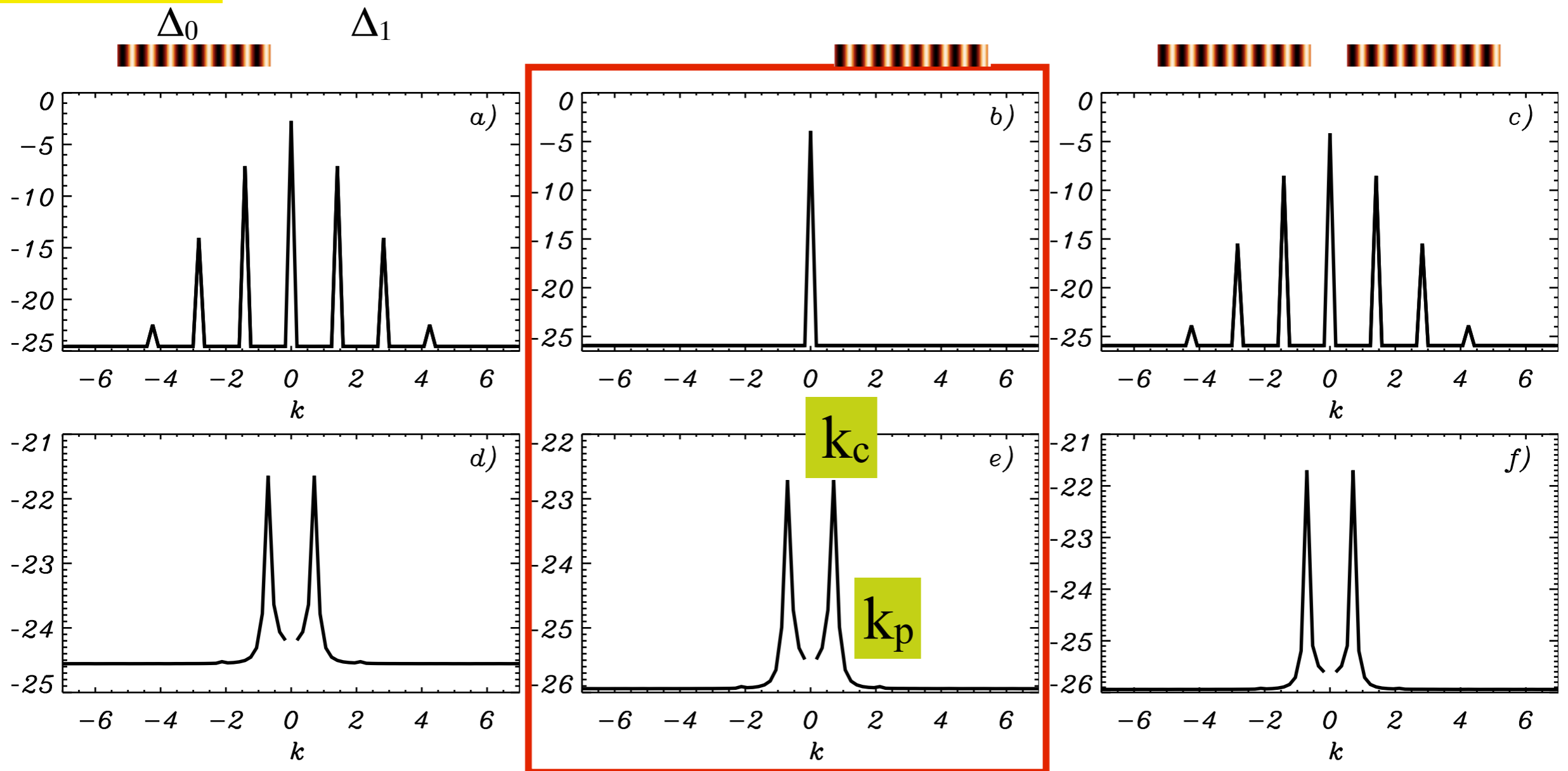
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1% BELOW THRESHOLD: QUANTUM IMAGES

$$k_p = 2k_c$$

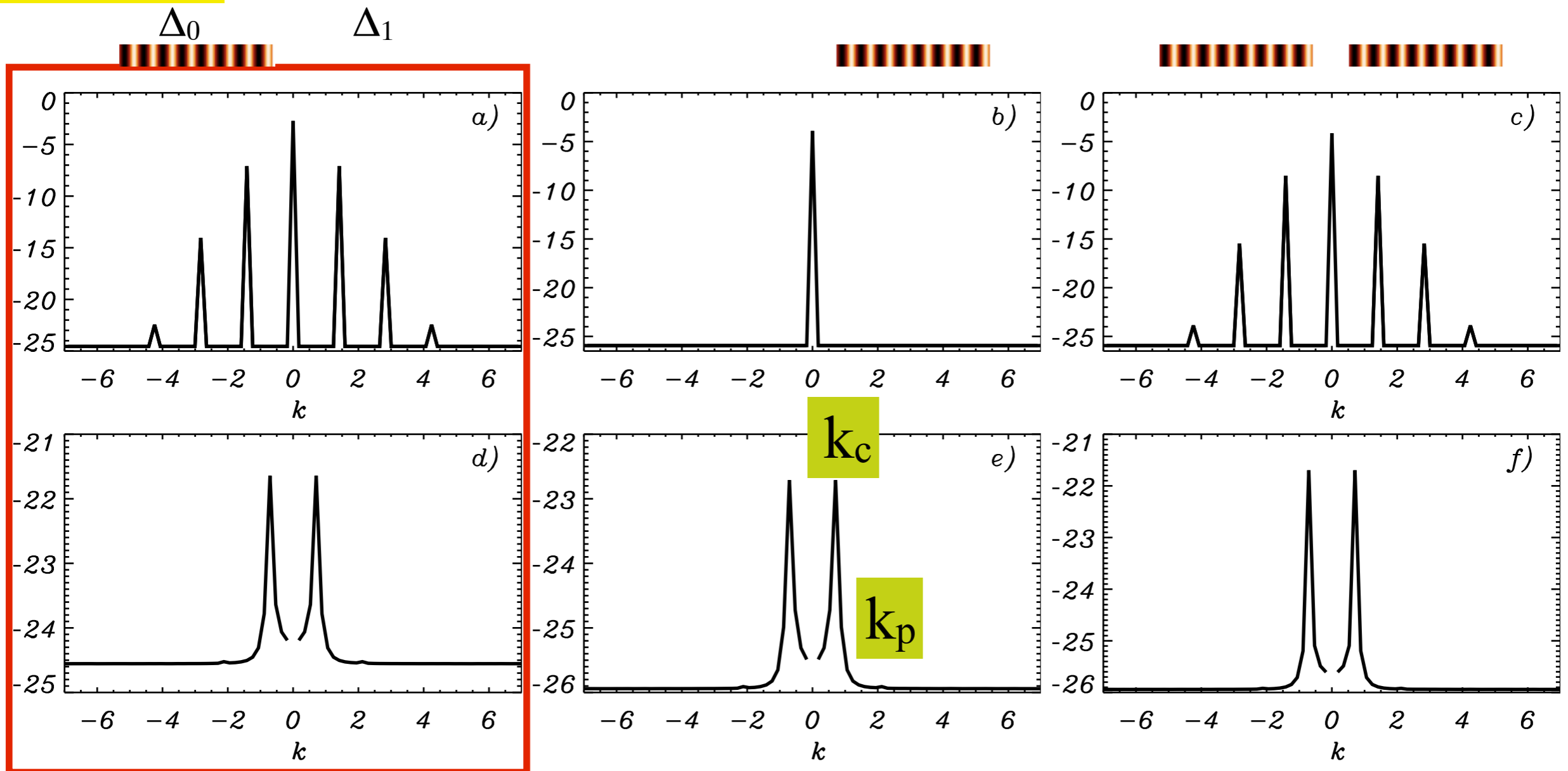
average far field intensity



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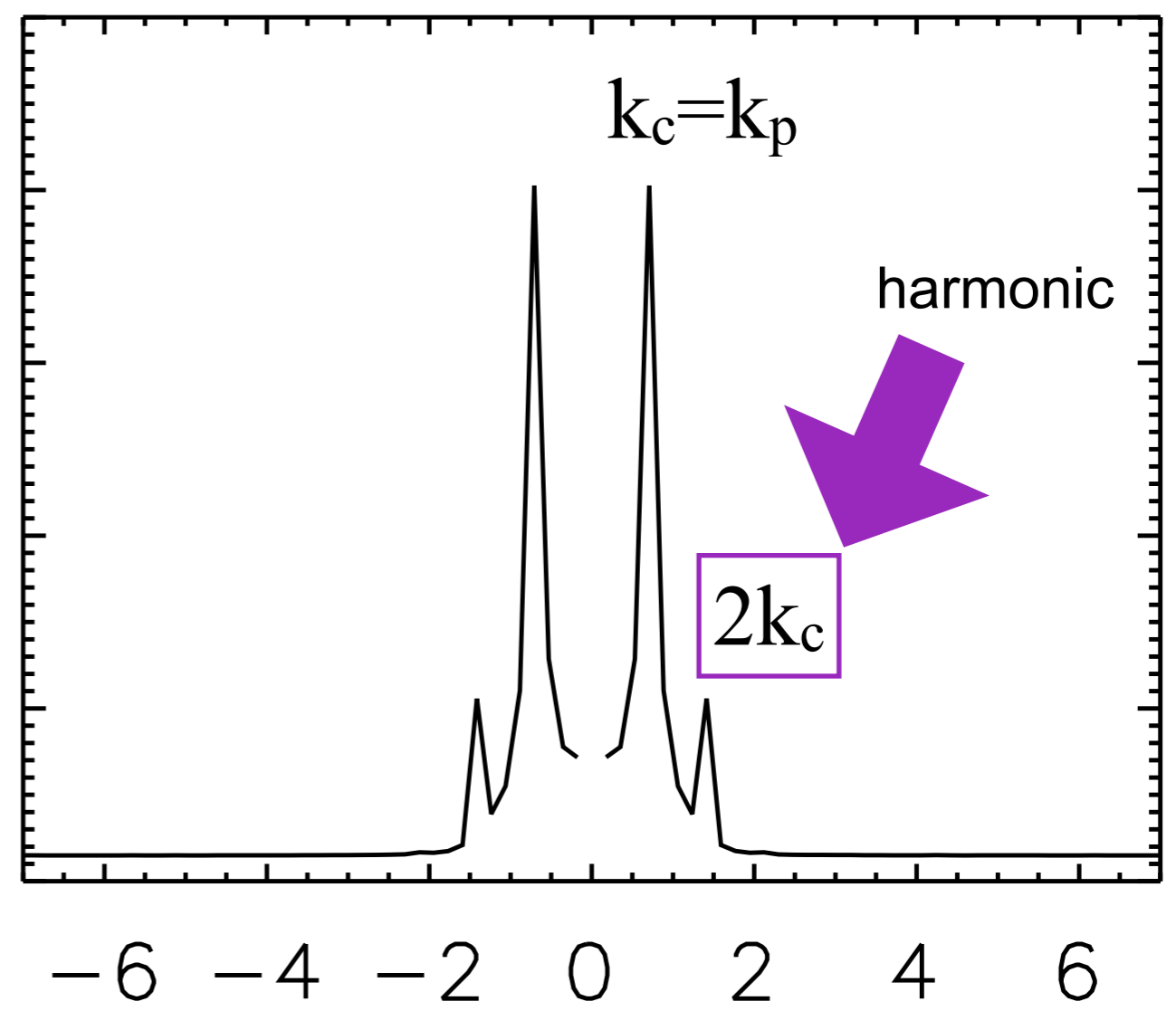
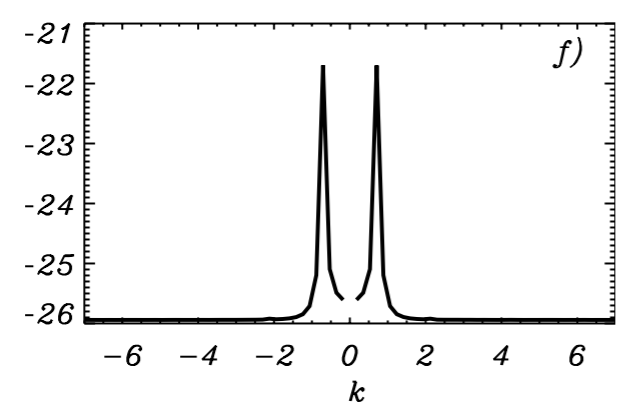
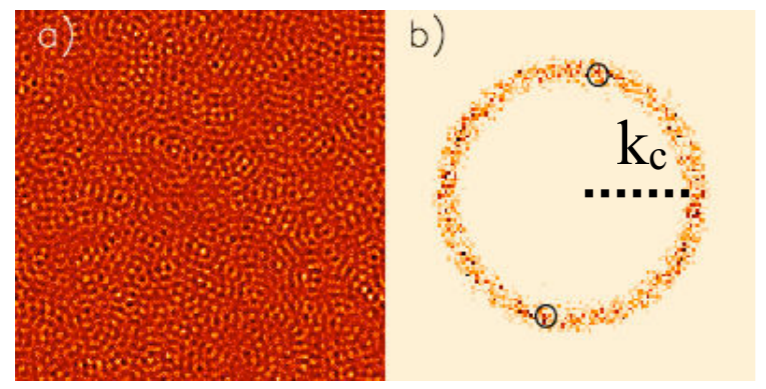
QUANTUM IMAGES WITH HARMONICS

changing PC periodicity from $k_p=2k_c$ to $k_p=k_c$

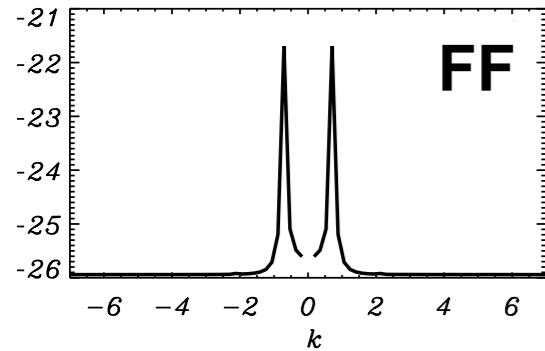
PC changes the spatial distribution of the spontaneous emission

multimode noisy precursors

$\text{Re}(A_1(x,y))$ $\text{Re}(A_1(k_x,k_y))$

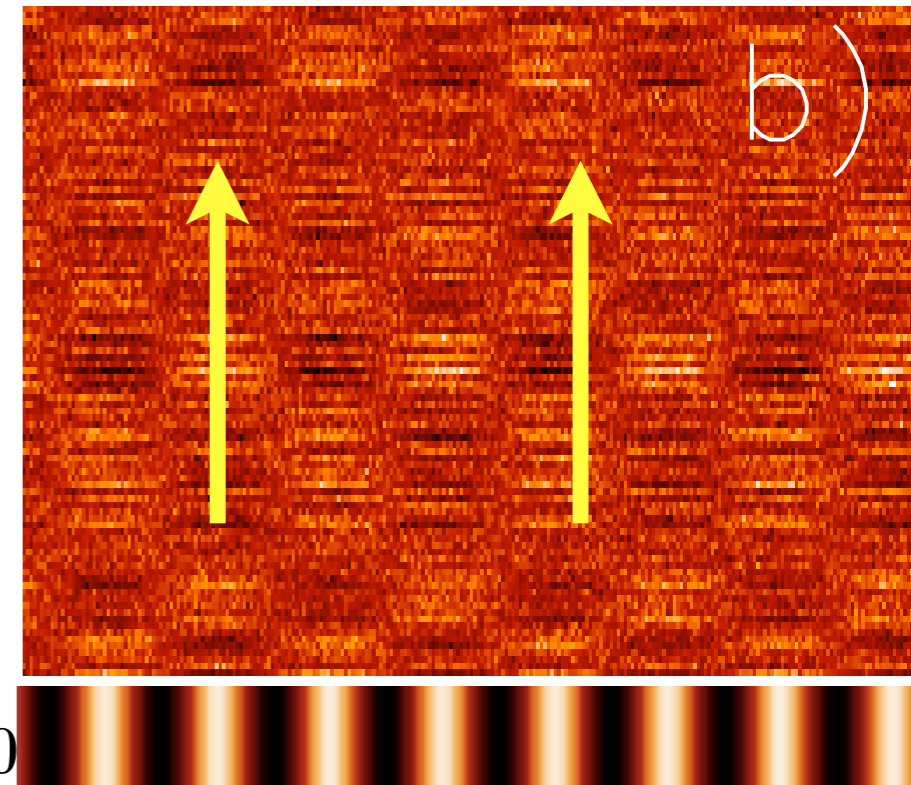
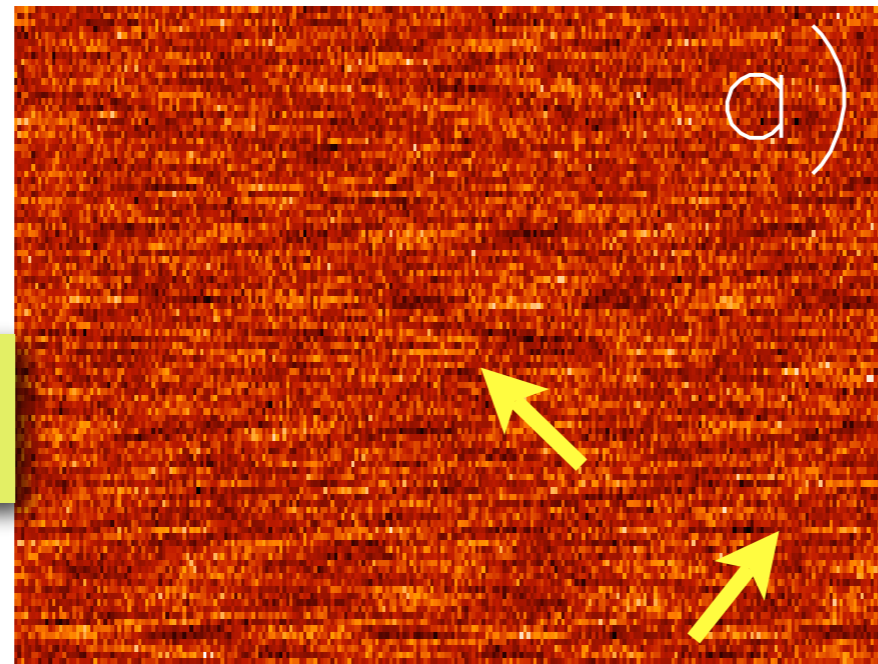


BELOW THRESHOLD: QUANTUM IMAGES



NF quantum fluctuations in real part of signal 1% below threshold

undamped fluctuations at k_c , phase diffusion



no PC or I_1

PC → TRANSLATIONAL SYMMETRY BREAKING

undamped fluctuations in locked modes below threshold

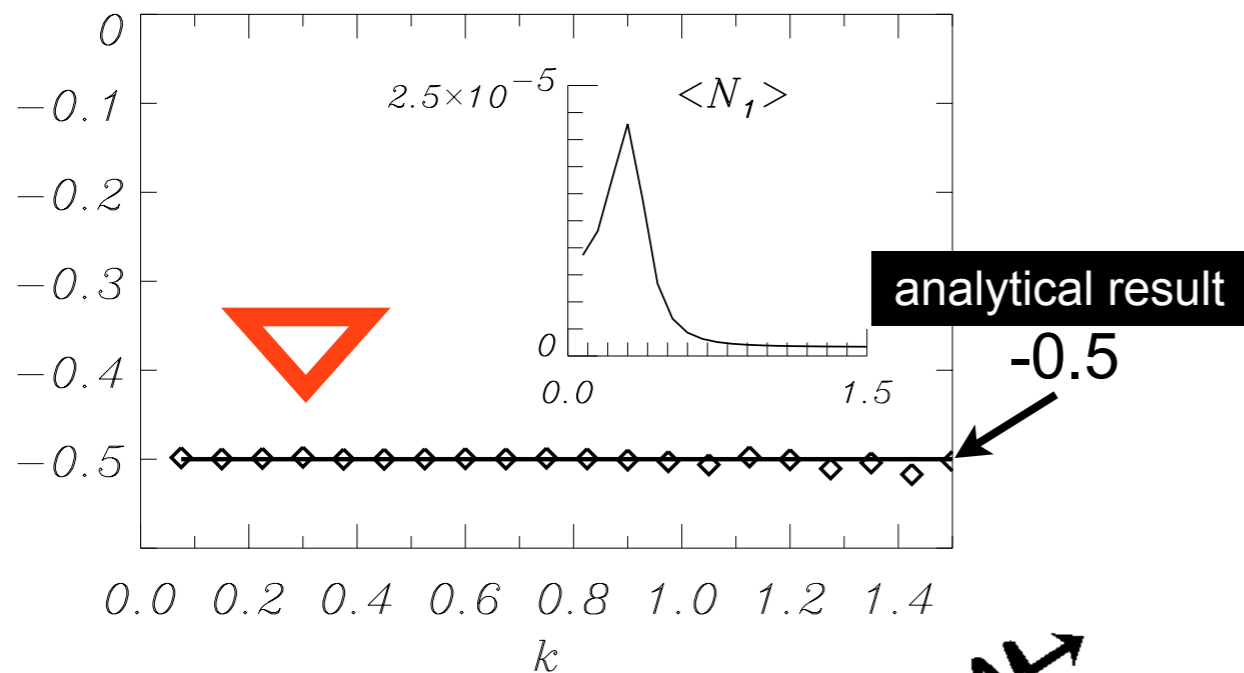
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TWIN BEAMS CORRELATIONS

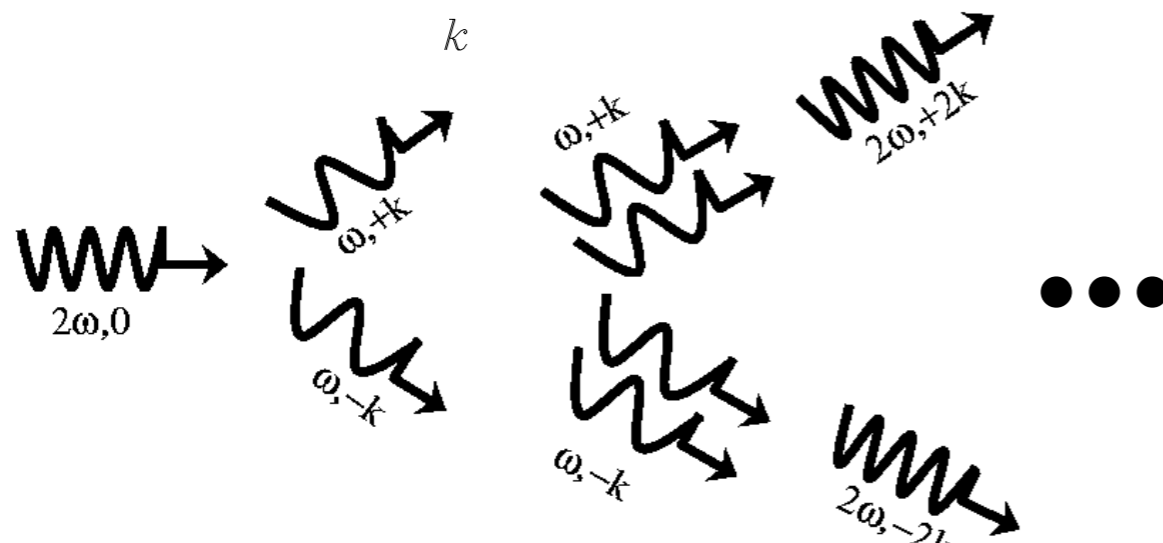
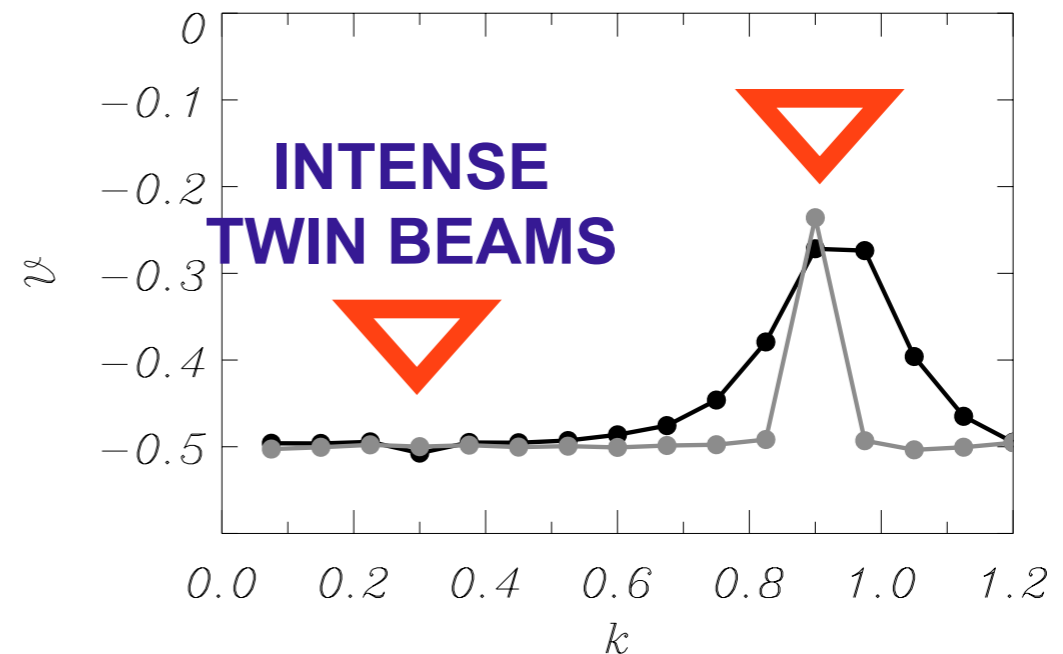
OPO without PC

$$\mathcal{V}(k) = \frac{\langle : [\delta \hat{N}_1(k) - \delta \hat{N}_1(-k)]^2 : \rangle}{\mathcal{N}_N(k)}$$

below threshold



above threshold



PRESERVED TWIN BEAMS
CORRELATIONS IN INTENSE MODES

SECONDARY PROCESSES:
uncoherent symmetric photons.
DECREASED CORRELATIONS
BETWEEN TWIN BEAMS

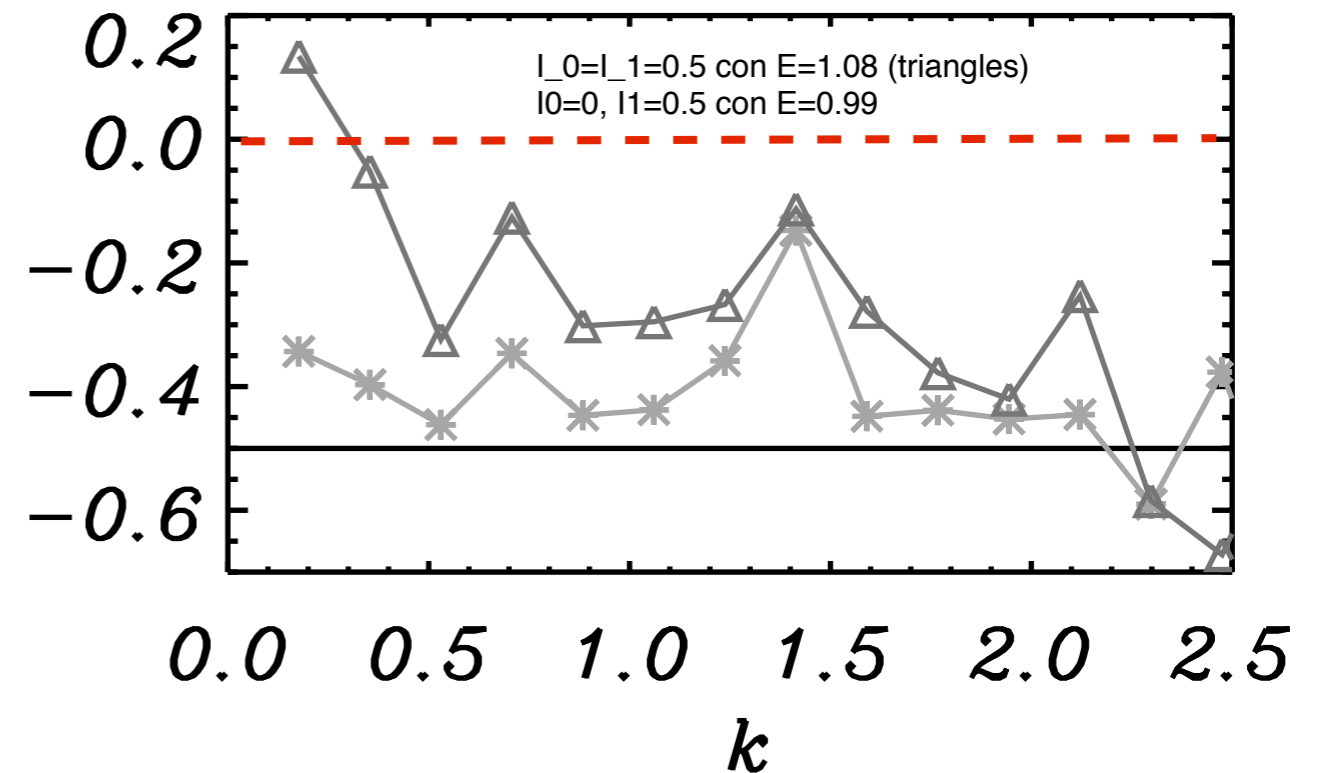
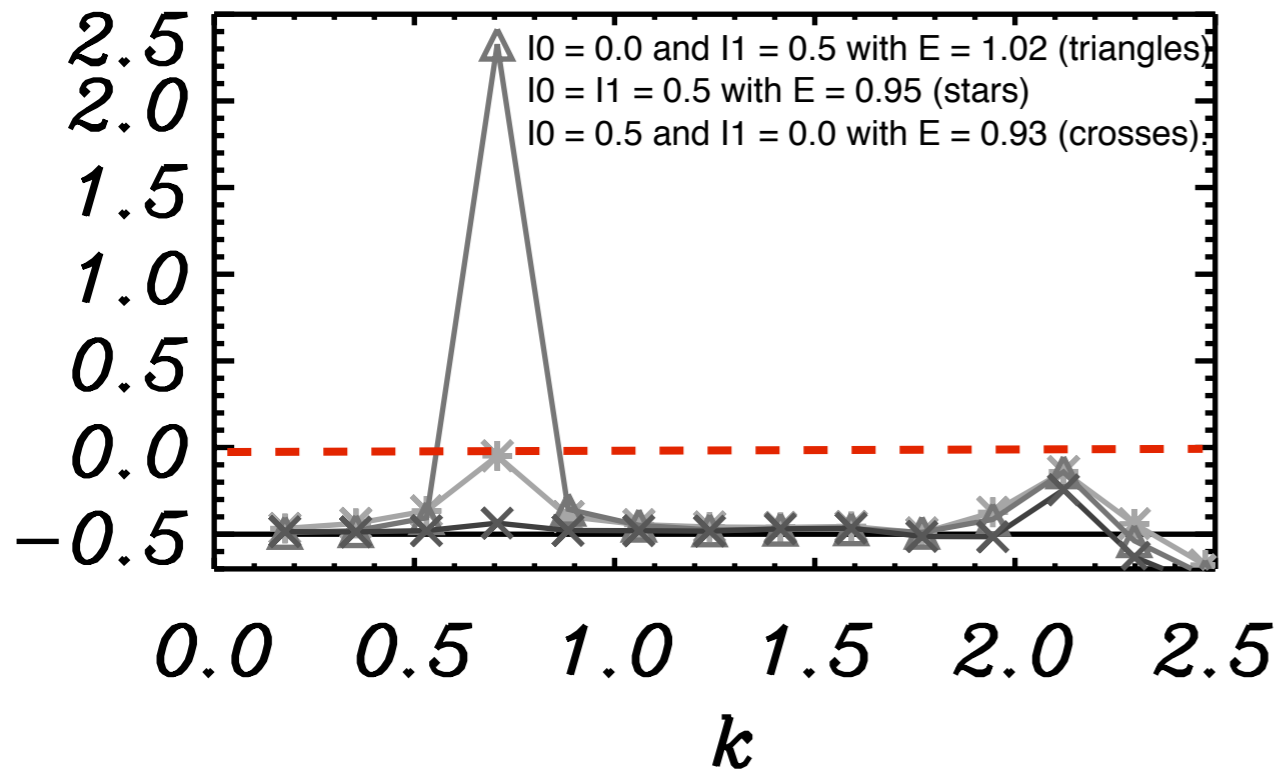
TWIN BEAMS CORRELATIONS (with PC)

below threshold

$$\mathcal{V}(k) = \frac{\langle : [\delta \hat{N}_1(k) - \delta \hat{N}_1(-k)]^2 : \rangle}{\mathcal{N}_N(k)}$$

$n_p=2$

$n_p=1$



PC is at the origin of multimode processes even below threshold:
incoherent processes degrade twin beams correlations

above threshold

similar!

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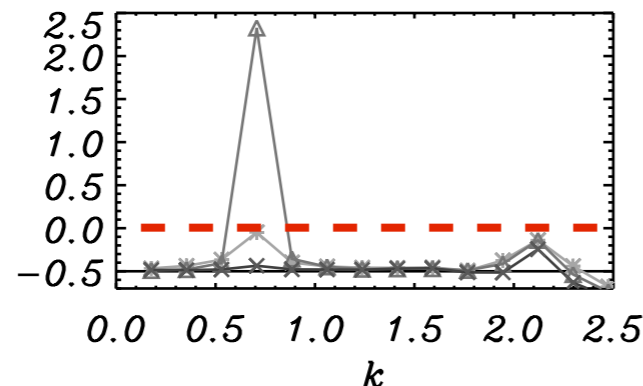
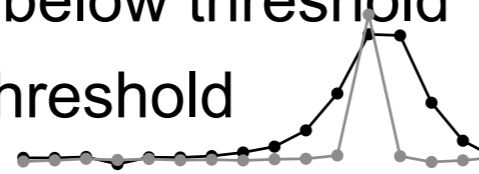
MOMENTUM CONSERVATION

twin beams correlations

$$\mathcal{V}(k) = \frac{\langle : [\delta \hat{N}_1(k) - \delta \hat{N}_1(-k)]^2 : \rangle}{\mathcal{N}_N(k)}$$

NO PC

perfect below threshold
above threshold



$$k_c = 2k_p$$

conservation of transverse momentum

Grynberg & Lugiato (1993), Gomila & Colet (2002)

$$S_{\perp} = \int k(N_0(k) + N_1(k))dk$$

$$\frac{:\Delta^2 S_{\perp}:}{\mathcal{N}_S}$$

$$\simeq -0.5$$





$$\simeq 0$$

$$\simeq -0.5, 0, 2, \dots$$

$$\simeq 0$$

Δ_0

Δ_1

quantum effect depends on (translational) symmetry and conservation (of momentum)

CONCLUSIONS

- * PC in nonlinear cavities allow to tune the parametric (and MI) threshold
- * twin beams correlations are changed due to secondary processes
- * connection: quantum noise suppression vs. translational symmetry

IN PROGRESS

- * explore role of wavelength and amplitudes of PC
- * breaking of translational symmetry vs. 2 mode squeezing