



# How can Quantum Cryptography Contribute to Cyber-Security ?

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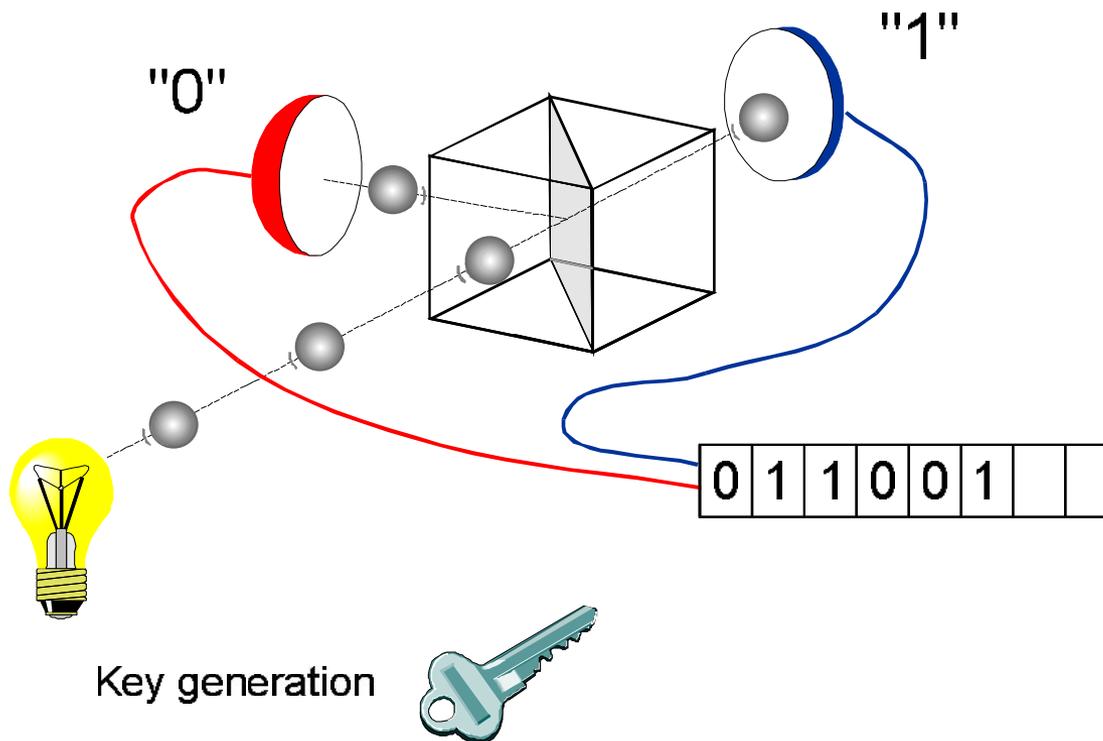
- Quantum as an entropy source :

Quantum Random number Generator QRNG

- Quantum as a building block for cryptography :

Quantum Key distribution QKD

# Physics of a beam-splitter

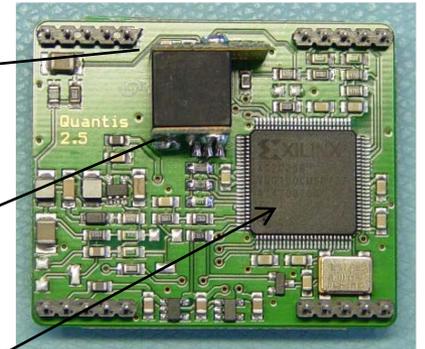
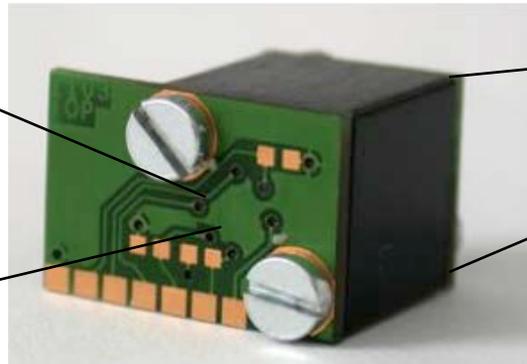
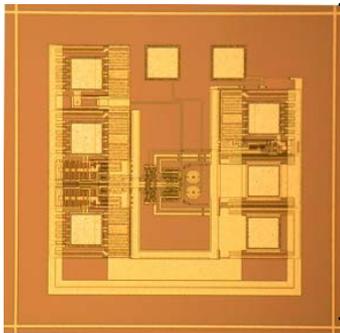
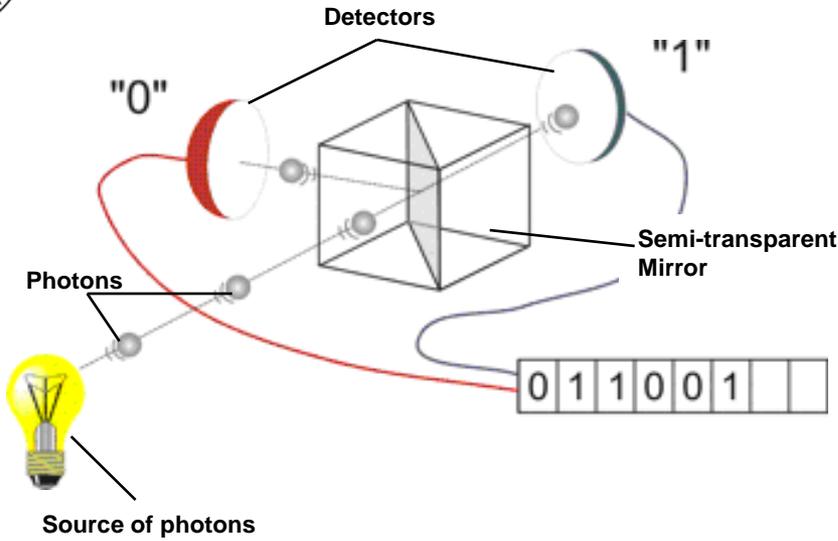


- A conceptually simple entropy source
- Only quantum physics offers fundamental randomness
- Easy to pinpoint the origin of the randomness
- A practical random number generator





# Quantum Random Number Generator

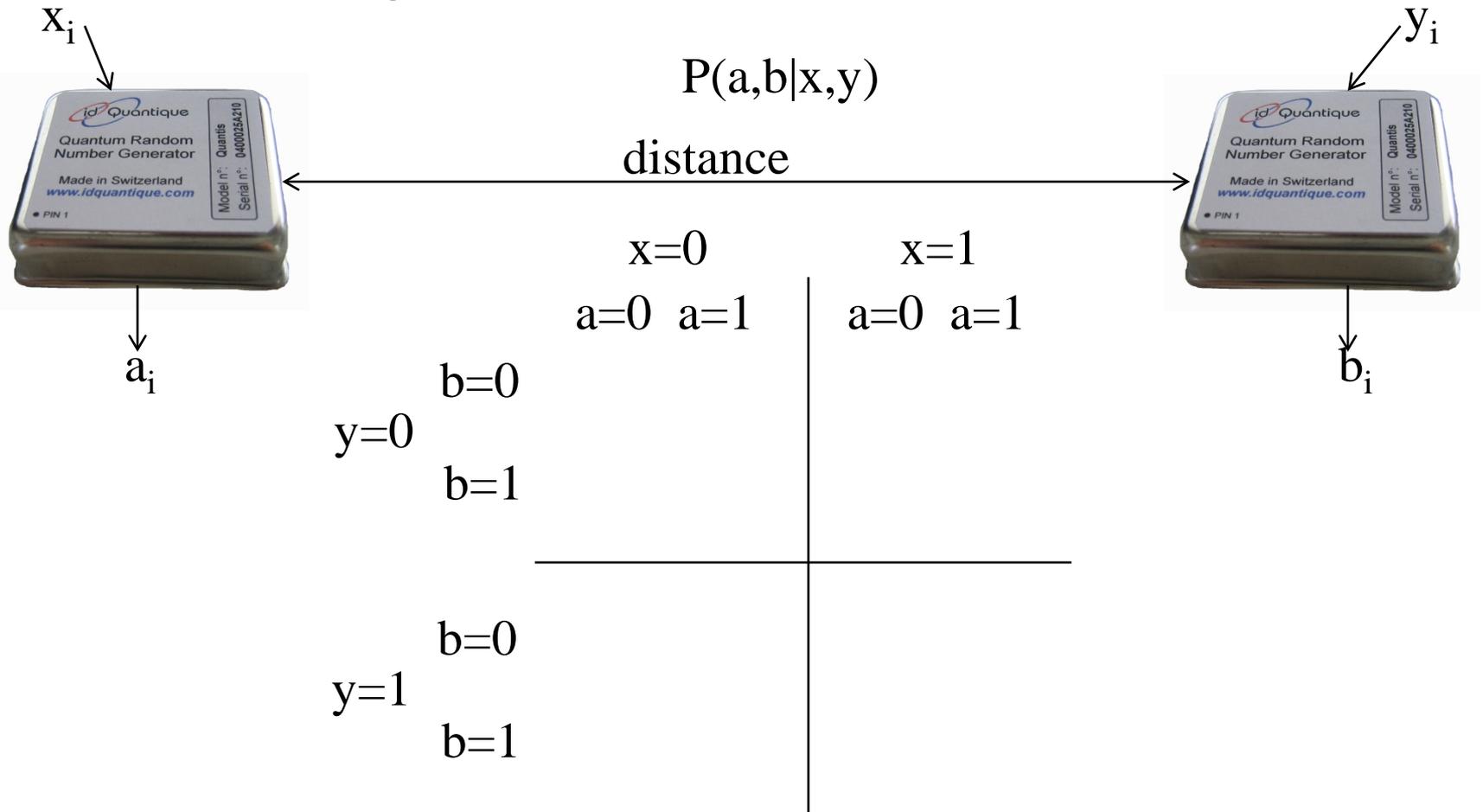


4 Mb per second of balanced random bits



# Why are we convinced that the bits are truly random?

- The very same hardware can be used in a nonlocal game:

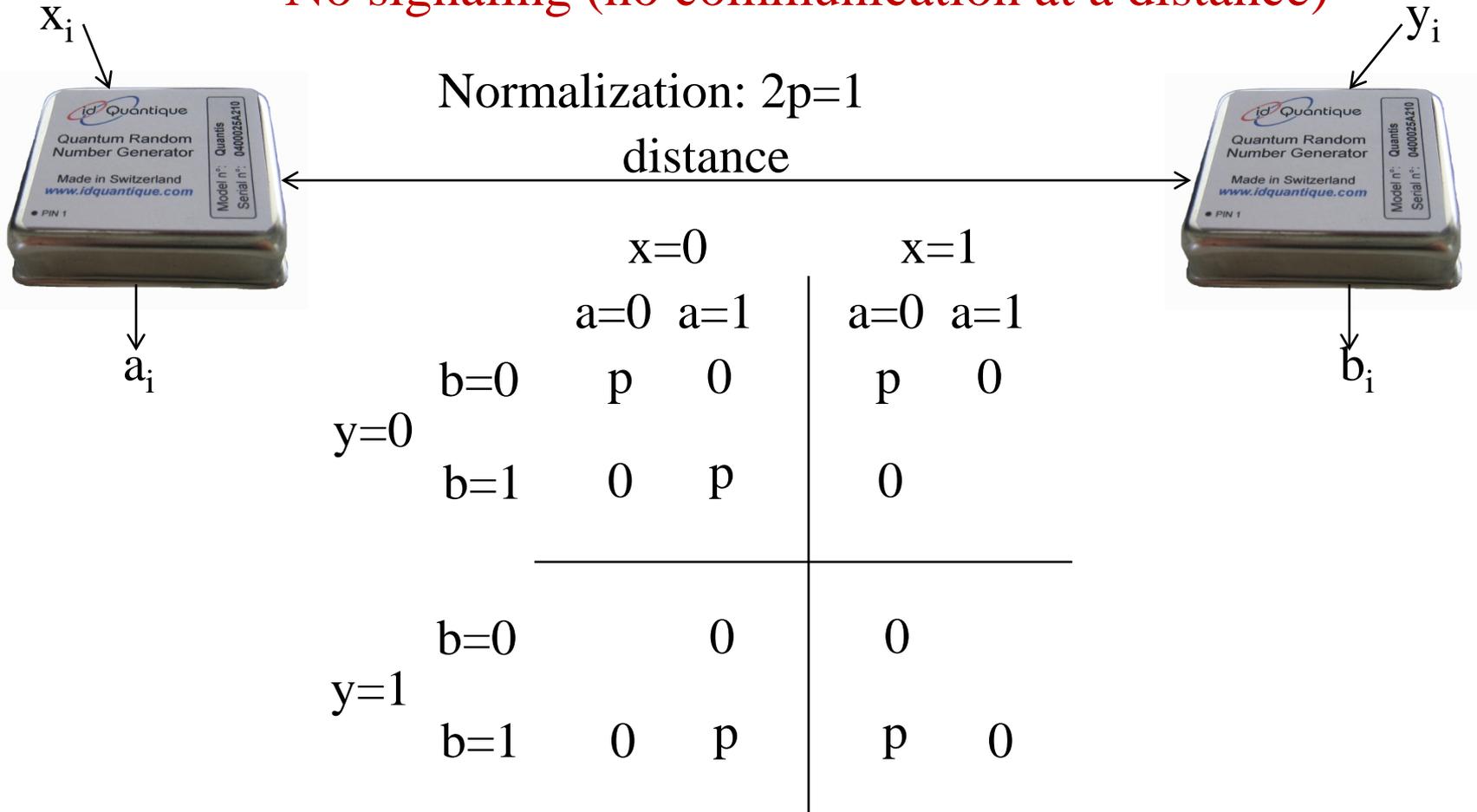




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Normalization:  $2p=1$

distance



		x=0		x=1	
		a=0	a=1	a=0	a=1
y=0	b=0	1/2	0	1/2	0
	b=1	0	1/2	0	1/2
y=1	b=0	1/2	0	0	1/2
	b=1	0	1/2	1/2	0



# Random Sequences

## Intuitive Definition

Sequence of numbers  
which are unpredictable

## Rigorous Definition

Sequence for which a  
definition shorter than  
itself does not exist

$00000\dots00000 = n \times '0'$

Concept applies only to an infinite sequence



# Finite Random Sequences

- Impossible to prove randomness
- But possible to prove the existence of random processes.
- A random process produces with unit probability a sequence of maximal Kolmogorov complexity (Per Martin-Löf, *Information and Control* 9, 602-619, 1966)

When generating random numbers, it is very important to understand the method used.



# Mind your Random Number Generator!

To appear in *Proceedings of the 21st USENIX Security Symposium*, August 2012. Initial public release; July 2, 2012.  
For the newest revision of this paper, partial source code, and our online key-check service, visit <https://factorable.net>.

## Mining Your Ps and Qs: Detection of Widespread Weak Keys in Network Devices

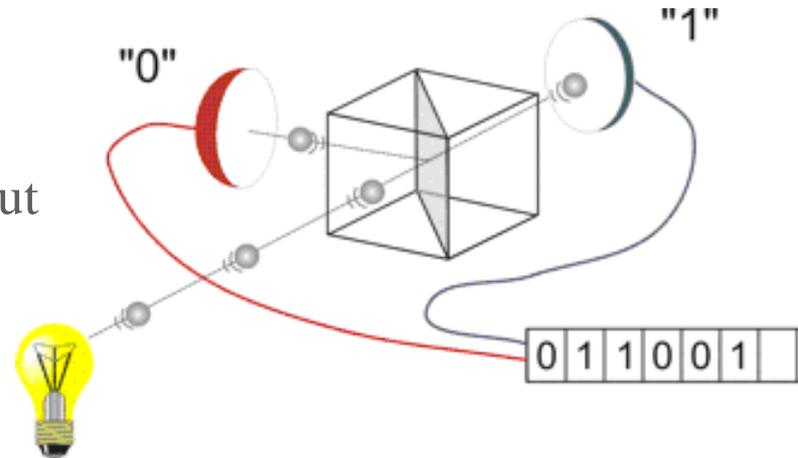
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### Advantages

- Truly random process  
→ produces truly random sequences
- Simple process that can be modelled  
→ influence of environment can be ruled out
- Live monitoring of elementary components
- Speed





# Evaluation and Certification

## Non-Deterministic (Physical) RNG

- PTG.1

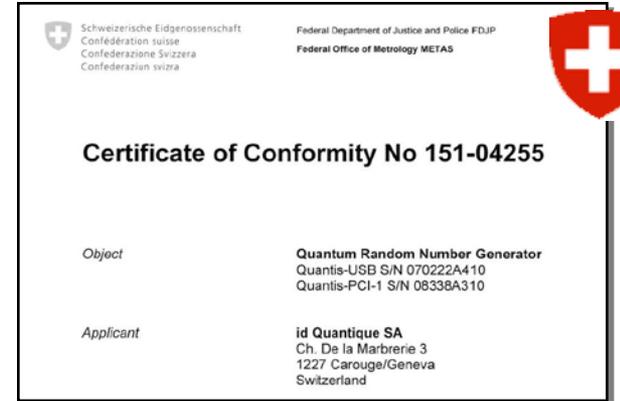
Physical RNG with internal tests that detect a total failure of the entropy source and non-tolerable statistical defects of the internal random numbers

- PTG.2

PTG.1, additionally a stochastic model of the entropy source and statistical tests of the raw random numbers

- PTG.3

PTG.2, additionally with cryptographic post-processing (hybrid PTRNG)





# Quantum Key Distribution (QKD)

- Nature offers more than mere randomness:

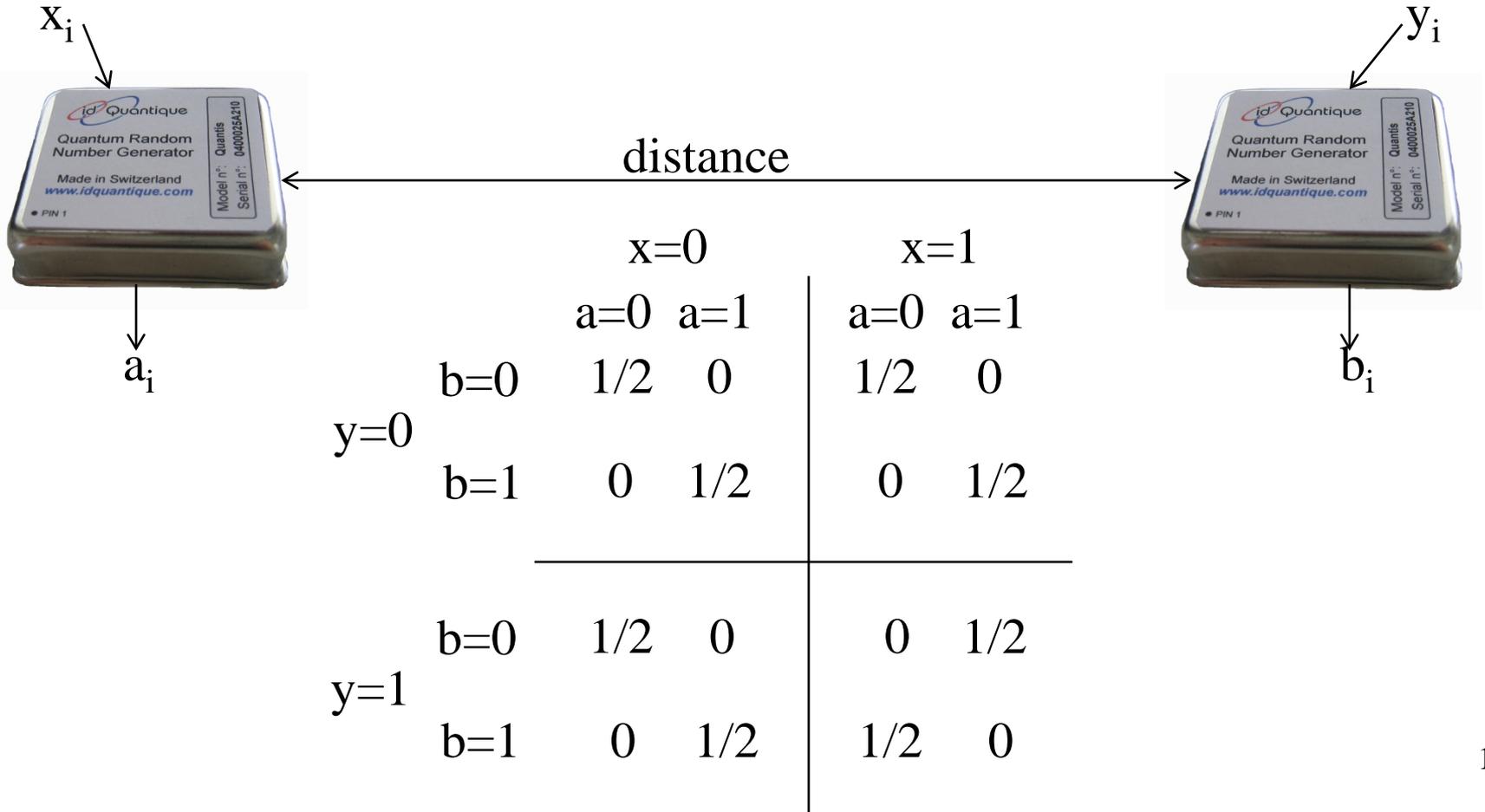
**Nonlocal distributed randomness:  
a random event that manifest itself at more than  
one location.**

- It looks like magic, but is well mastered physics.
- It would be absurd not to exploit this gift of nature.



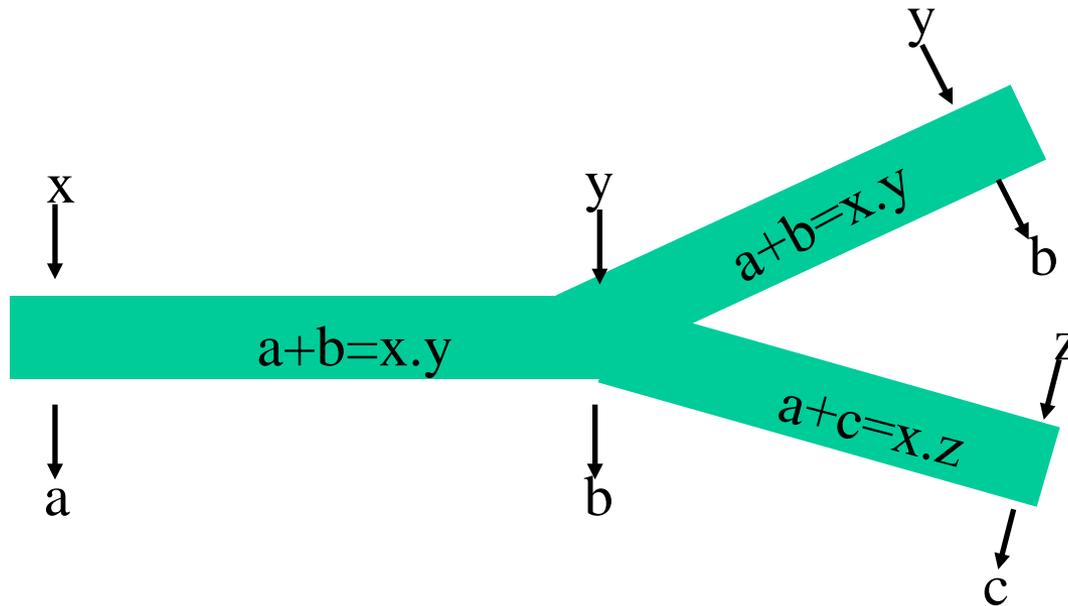
# Nonlocal distributed randomness

- The same random sequence of bits is produced at Alice and Bob sides:





# No-cloning from no-signaling



$$\Rightarrow b+c = x.(y+z)$$

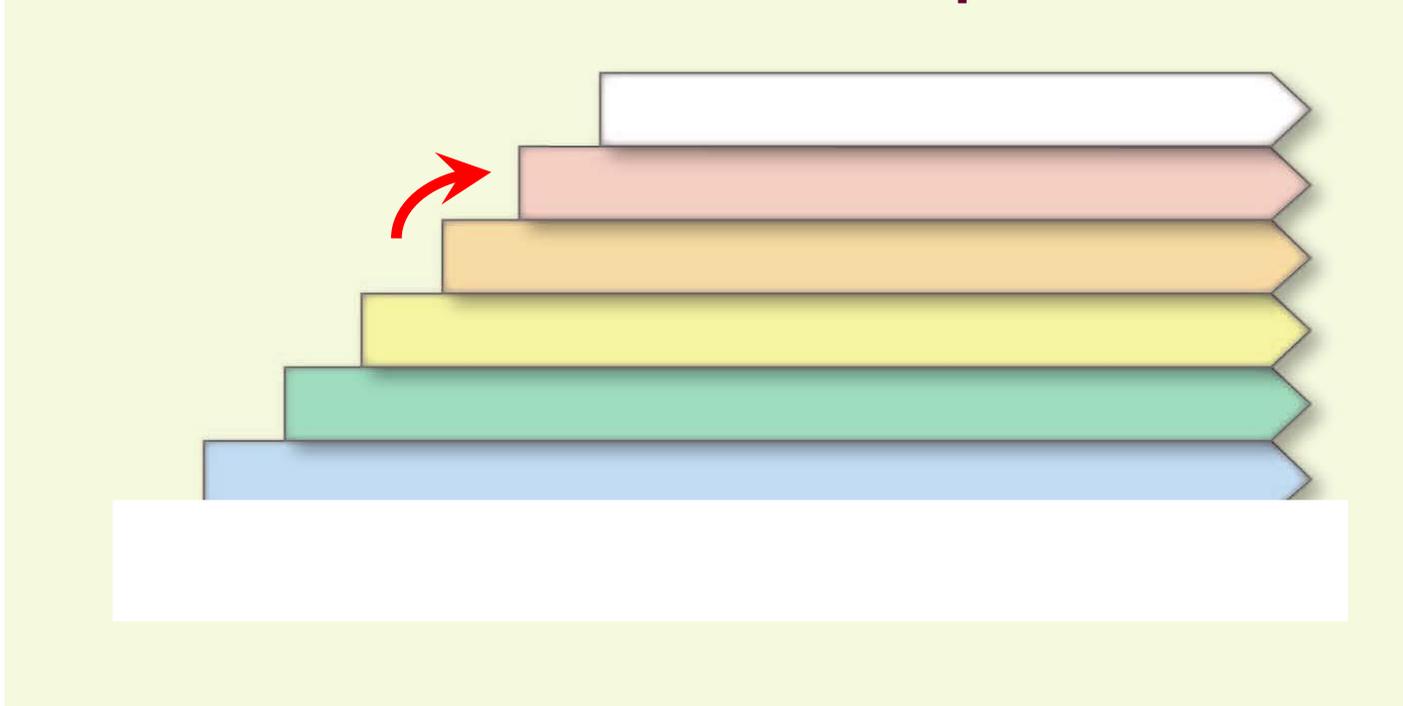
$\Rightarrow$  If  $y+z=1$ , Bob and Charly can deduce Alice's input out of their outputs

$\Rightarrow$  Signaling !!!

$\Rightarrow$  In a non-signaling world, quantum cloning is impossible.



# When shall we have a Quantum Computer ?





# Change in perception

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"In the current global environment, rapid and secure information sharing is important to protect our Nation, its citizens and its interests. Strong cryptographic algorithms and secure protocol standards are vital tools that contribute to our national security and help address the ubiquitous need for secure, interoperable communications".

"IAD will initiate a transition to **quantum resistant algorithms** in the not too distant future."

"Our ultimate goal is to provide cost effective **security against a potential quantum computer.**"



# Quantum Safe Crypto



## ■ Post-Quantum Crypto

= *Complexity-based classical algorithms resistant to known Q attacks*

- + not much change for the security experts.
- again a wild bet on the unknown.
- vulnerable backwards.

## ■ QKD

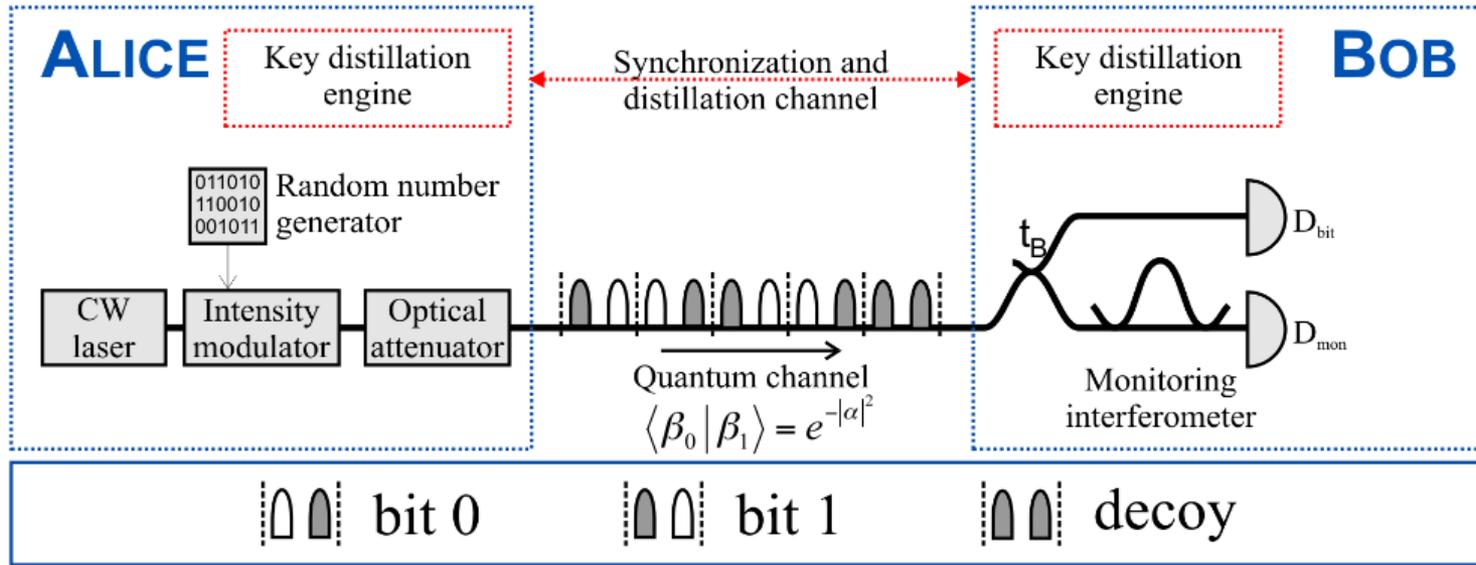
= *Physics-based, proven resistant to Q attacks*

- + provable security.
- + backward security.
- expensive.
- big change of infrastructure and mentality.

- Likely that each will find some applications, the real question is about the size of each market.
- Each needs true random bits.



# Coherent one-way QKD



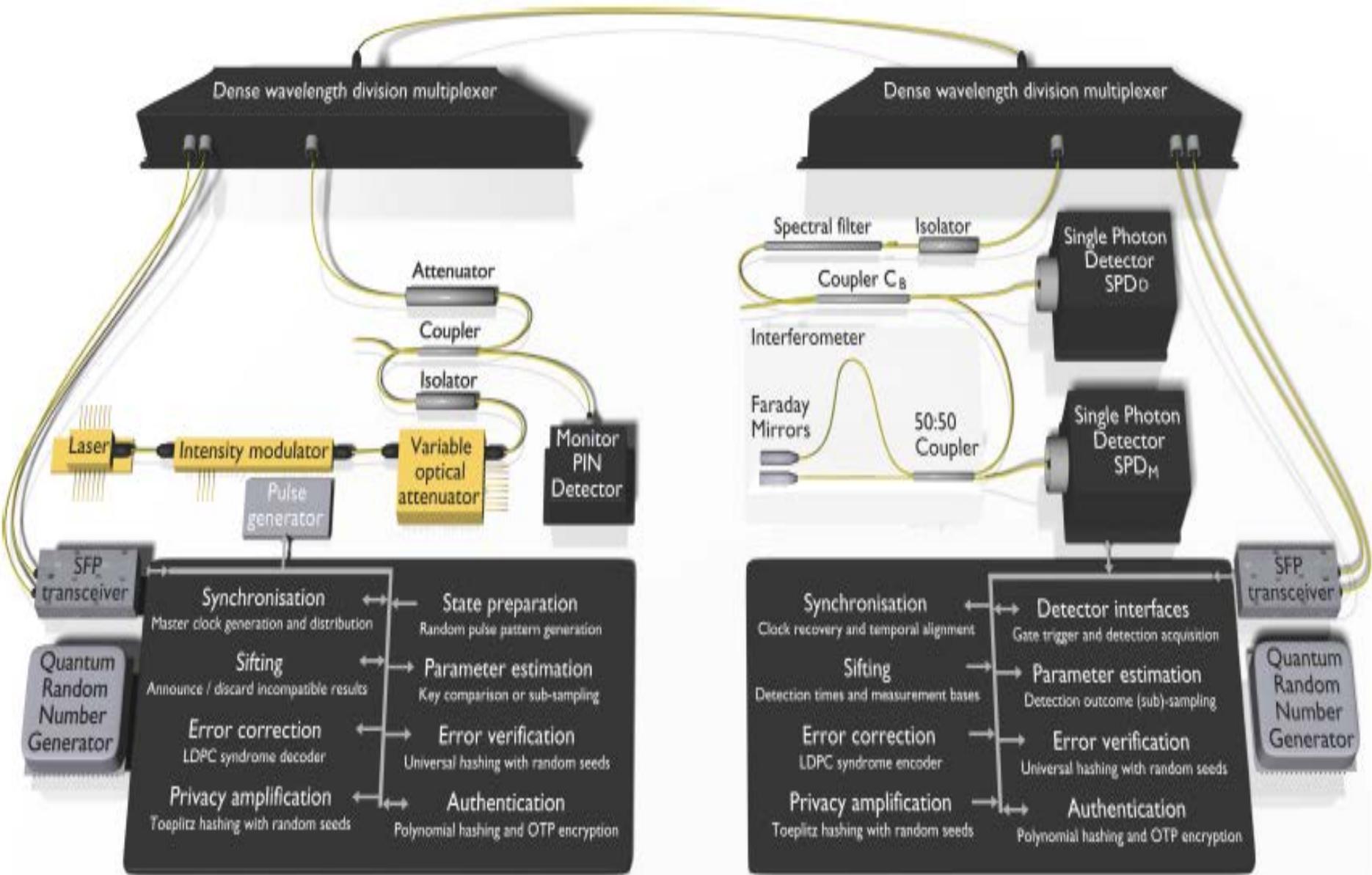
→ QBER

→ Visibility

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- C. Branciard, N. Gisin, and V. Scarani, “Upper bounds for the security of two distributed-phase reference protocols of quantum cryptography,” New J Phys. 10, 013031 (2008)
- N. Walenta et al, “A fast and versatile quantum key distribution system with hardware key distillation and wavelength multiplexing,” New J. Phys. 16, 013047 (2014)
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# QKD engine @ 625 MHz





# Integrated QKD Engine

- Built on the Advanced Telecommunication Computing Architecture (ATCA).
- Provides standardized mechanical, power, and data interfaces.
- Provides network services, cooling, power supplies.
- Scalable architecture, familiar to potential clients.



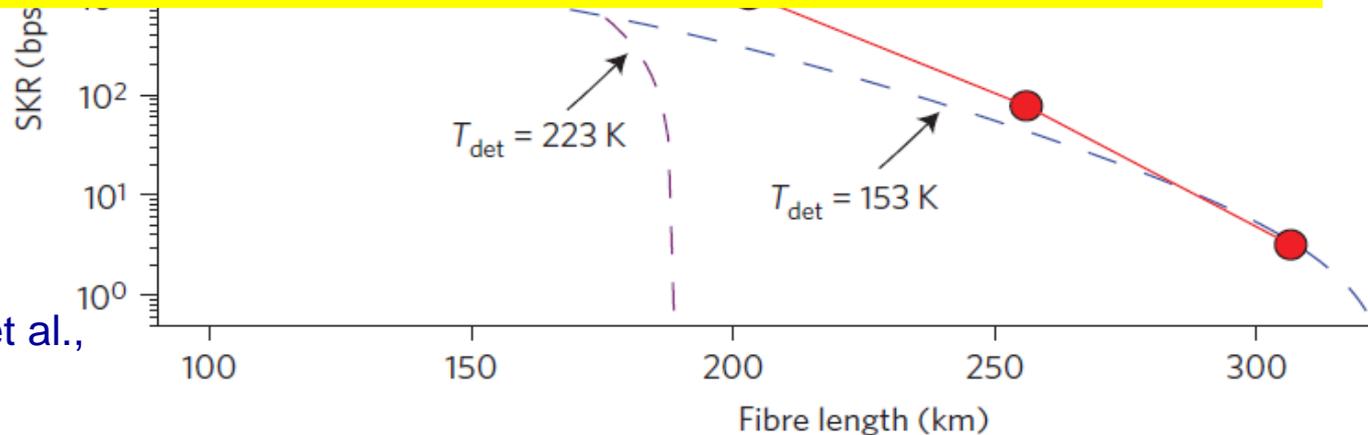


# QKD over 307 km with real time secret key distillation and finite key analysis



- Integration into ATCA blades

• A vision of a QKD engine producing 1 Gb/s of provably secret bits is on the horizon.



B. Korzh, C. W. Lim et al.,  
Nature Photonics  
9, 163-168 (2015)

# Example of a commercial link running continuously since 2011



**Lausanne**

**Nyon**

67 km

**Genève**

**IDQ**  
FROM VISION TO TECHNOLOGY

Installed multiplexed quantum channel for commercial users.

GAP Quantique

# What does QKD achieve

1. Attacks have to be launched on the spot  
⇒ immune to future progress
  2. With only the assumption of proper implementation  
⇒ key expansion
  3. Assuming short term secure of 1-way function  
⇒ Cryptographic Key Distribution with long term security
1. QKD with one-time-pad (limited to the bit rate of QKD, i.e. Mb/s)  
⇒ allows for information theoretical everlasting security.
  2. QKD allows to change the session key of AES very frequently  
⇒ limited data available for cryptanalysing and limited motivation for an adversary.



# QKD versus AES

1. Today's commercial QKD engines are slow  
⇒ they only provide cryptographic keys for AES sessions.
2. Why not merely use another AES system to distribute the session keys (re-keying)?
  1. The keys should be produced by the best random number generators, i.e. by Quantum RNG.
  2. AES is vulnerable forwards and backwards, QKD is immune backwards (and forwards the adversary can't miss a single photon).
  3. The security of the principle of QKD is based on a well tested mathematical model.  
The security of the principle of AES rests on faith.





*There is nothing like cracking QKD !*

The principle of QKD will never be attacked, only the implementation may be faulty.

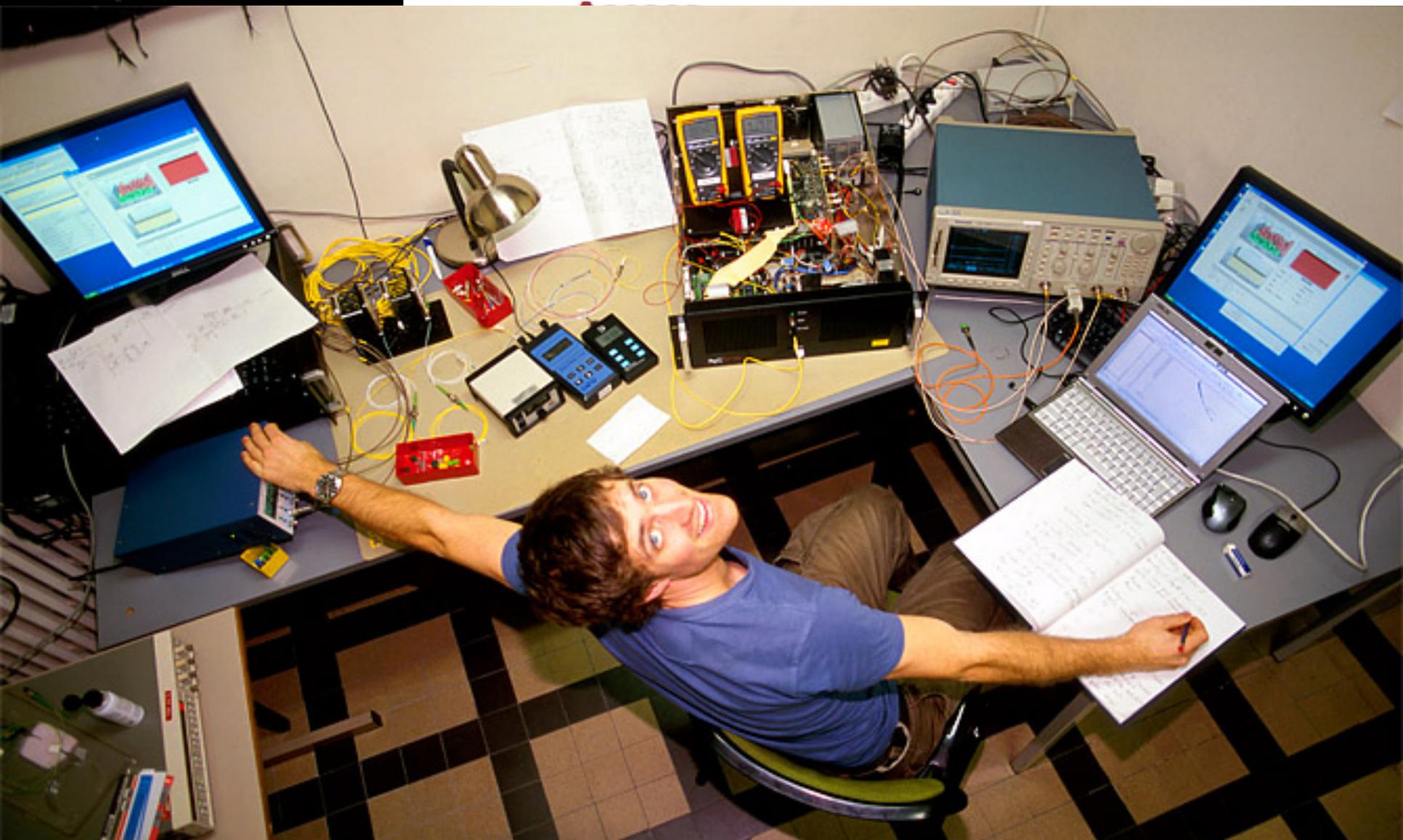
The implementation must be checked, as is the case for all hardware and all software.

August 29, 2010

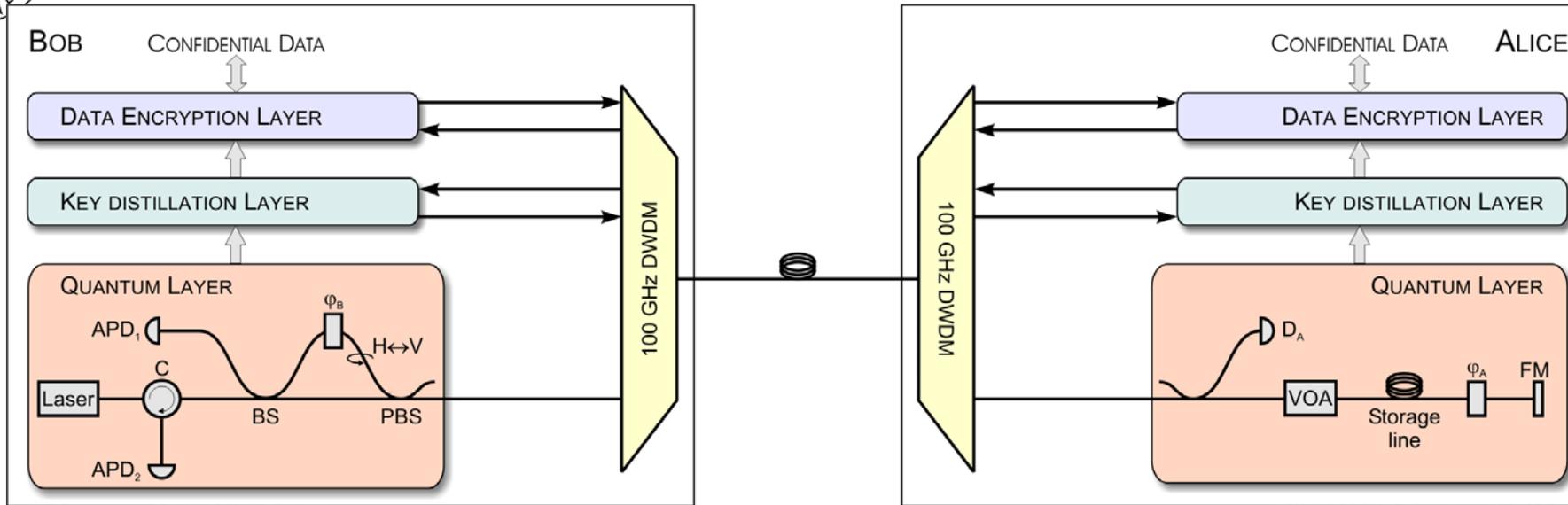
**The Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) and the University of Erlangen-Nürnberg together with the Max Planck Institute for the Science of Light in Erlangen have recently developed and tested a technique exploiting imperfections in quantum cryptography systems to implement an attack. Countermeasures were also implemented within an ongoing collaboration with leading manufacturer ID Quantique.**



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# WDM: multiplex the Quantum and Classical $\approx 10^9$ times more intense !!!



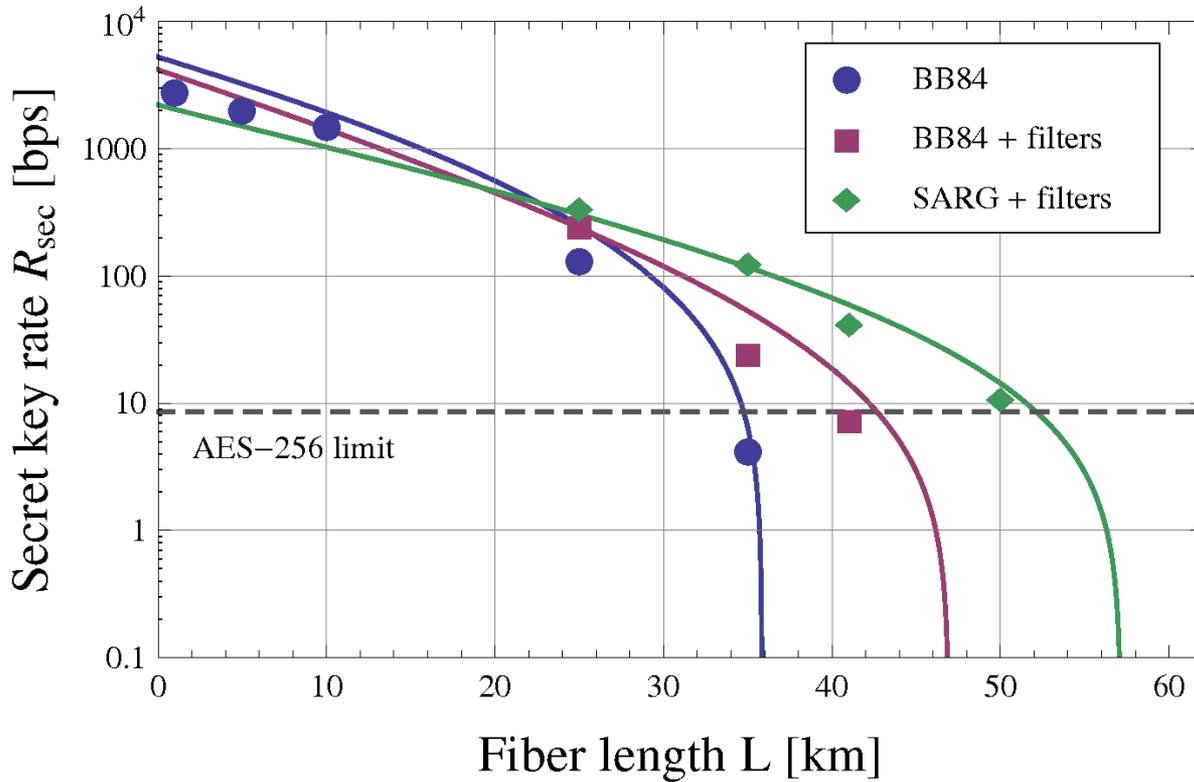
$$QBER = QBER_{opt} + QBER_{det} + QBER_{noise/WDM}$$

What are the noise sources?

- Crosstalk of other wavelengths into quantum channel
- Generation of parasitic light at the wavelength of the Q channel
  - by Raman scattering (dominant for lengths > 10 km)
  - by Four Wave Mixing (FWM)



# Experimental Results

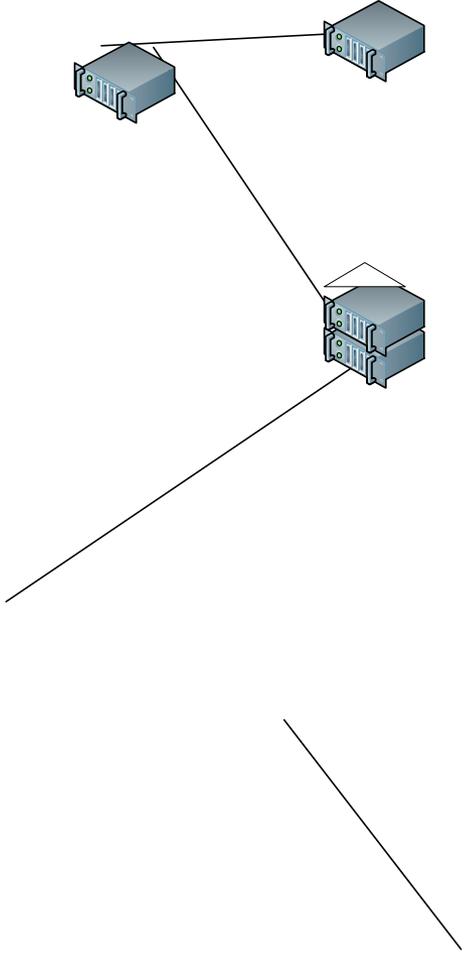


Eraerds et al., NJP 12, 063027 (2010)

Fiber attenuation: -0.207 dB/km  
Detection efficiency: 0.07  
Dark count rate:  $5 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ ns}^{-1}$   
Dead time: 10  $\mu\text{s}$   
DWDM isolation: 82 dB



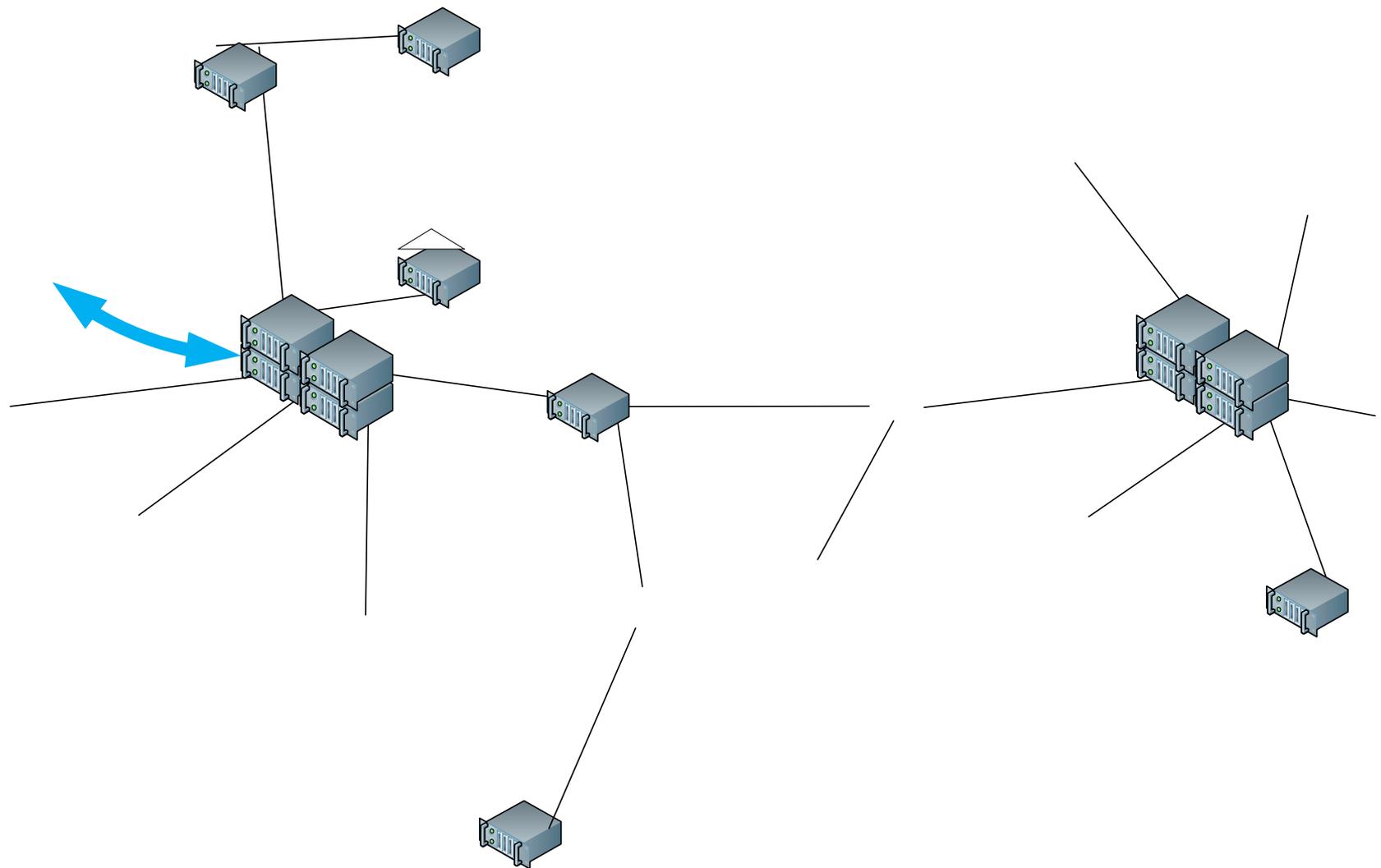
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# Quantum Network Architecture With Trusted Node



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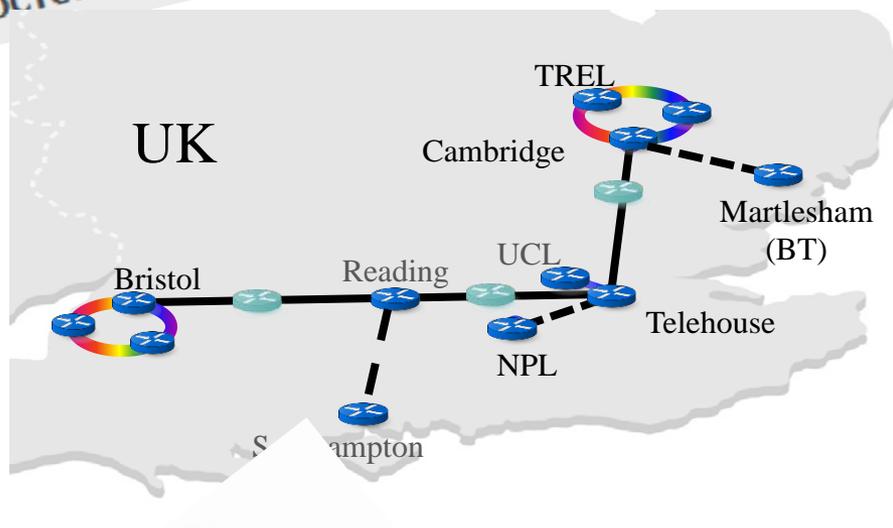
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# Chinese Trusted Node Quantum Network

Based on trustable relay, setting up “Quantum Backbone”



# Chinese Trusted node Quantum network

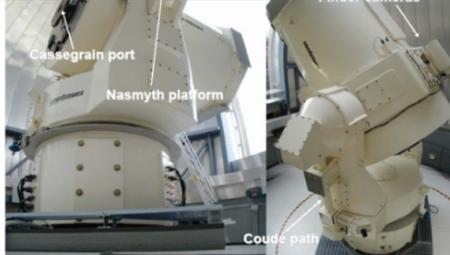
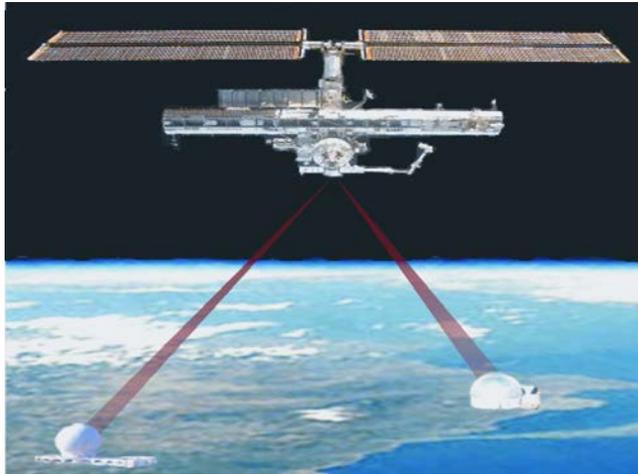


- Total Length 2000 km
- 2013.6-2016.12
- 32 trustable relay nodes  
31 fiber links
- Metropolitan networks  
Existing: Hefei, Jinan  
New: Beijing, Shanghai
- Total Investment: 560 M RMB. Half by NDRC, Half by Local government
- Customer: China Industrial & Commercial Bank; Xinhua News Agency; CBRC



# Proposals for quantum communication in space

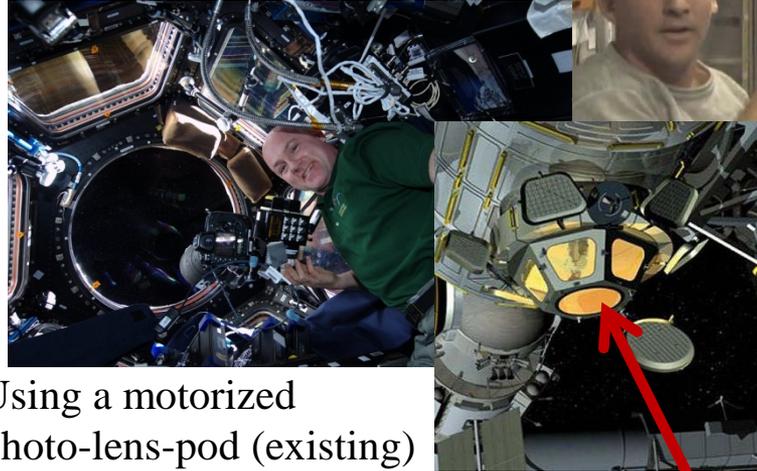
## Dual-downlink (ROM R&D 47 M€)



Simultaneous optical downlink:  
1400 km separation.

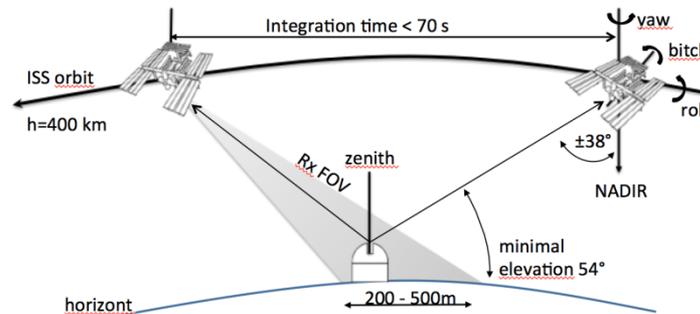
R. Ursin et al., Europhysics News, 26-29, 40-40 (3) (2009)

## Single-uplink (ROM R&D 1 M€)

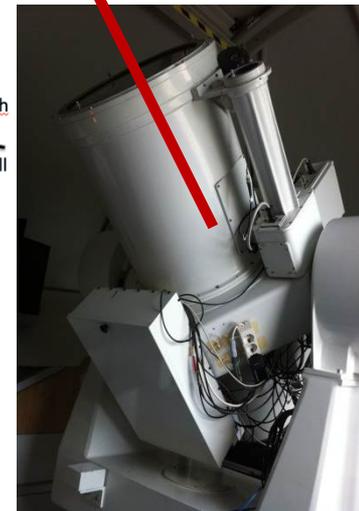


Astronaut:  
A. Kuipers

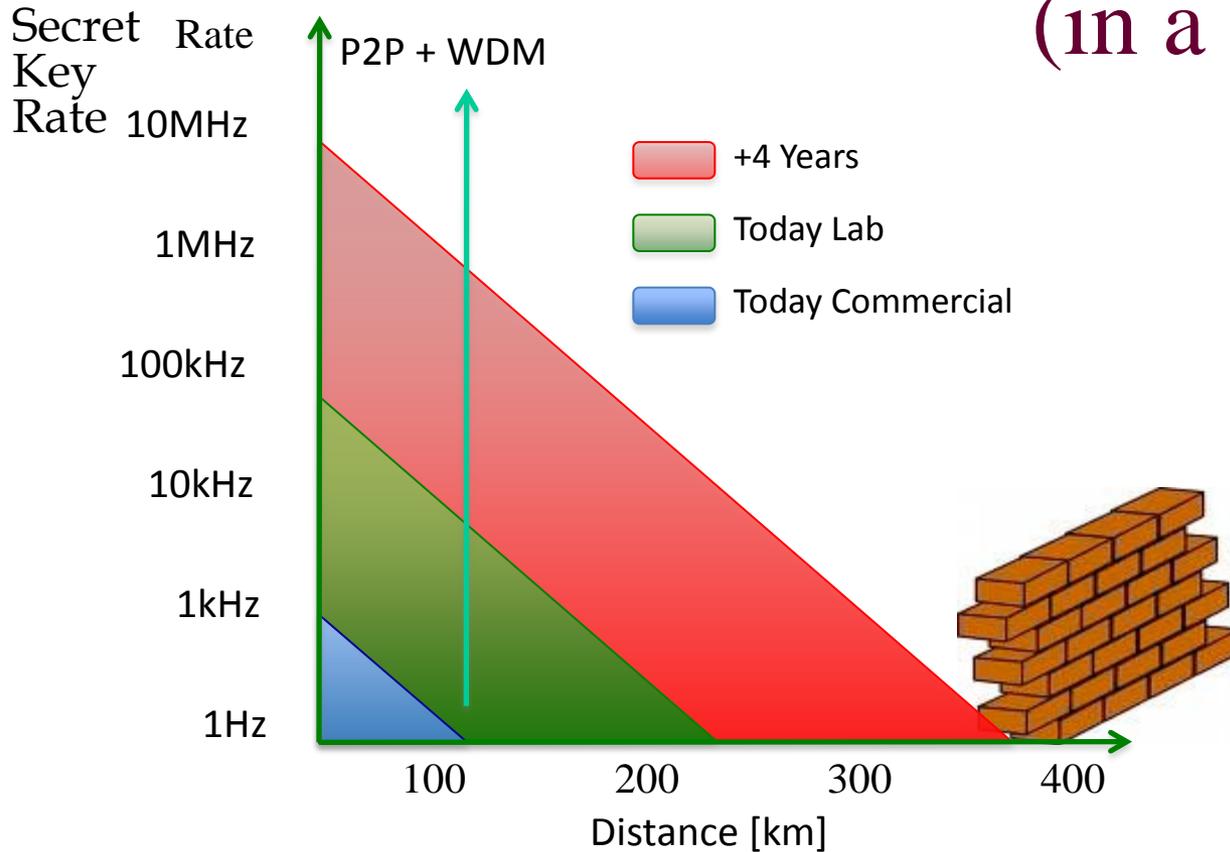
Using a motorized photo-lens-pod (existing) and a dedicated quantum detector as “camera”.



T. Scheidl, E. Wille, and R. Ursin, New Journal of Physics, 15, 043008 (2013)



# How far can one send a photon ? (in a fiber)

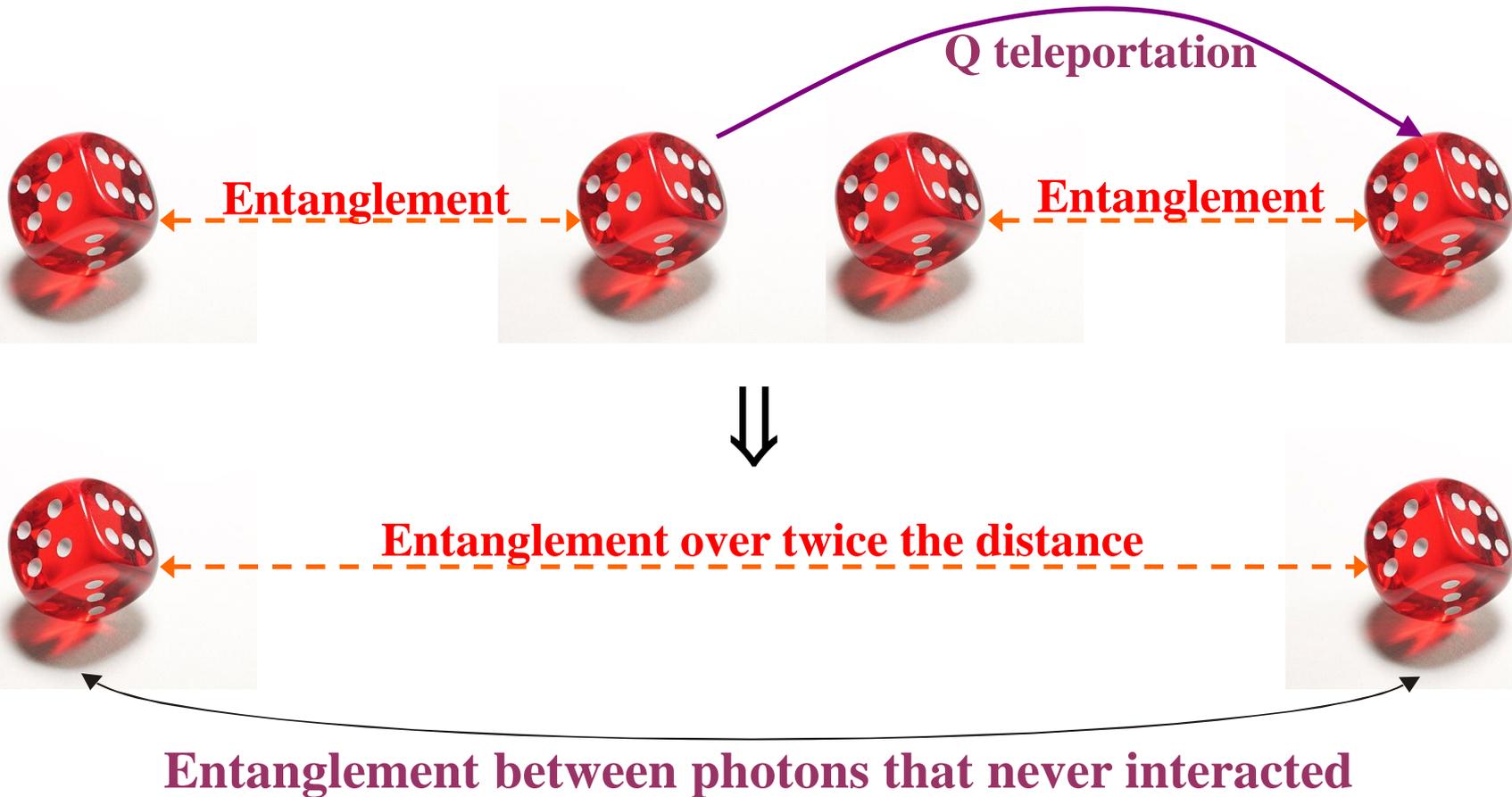


*There is a hard wall around 400 km !*

**With the best optical fibers, perfect noise-free detectors and ideal 10 GHz single-photon sources, it would take centuries to send 1 qubit over 1000 km !**

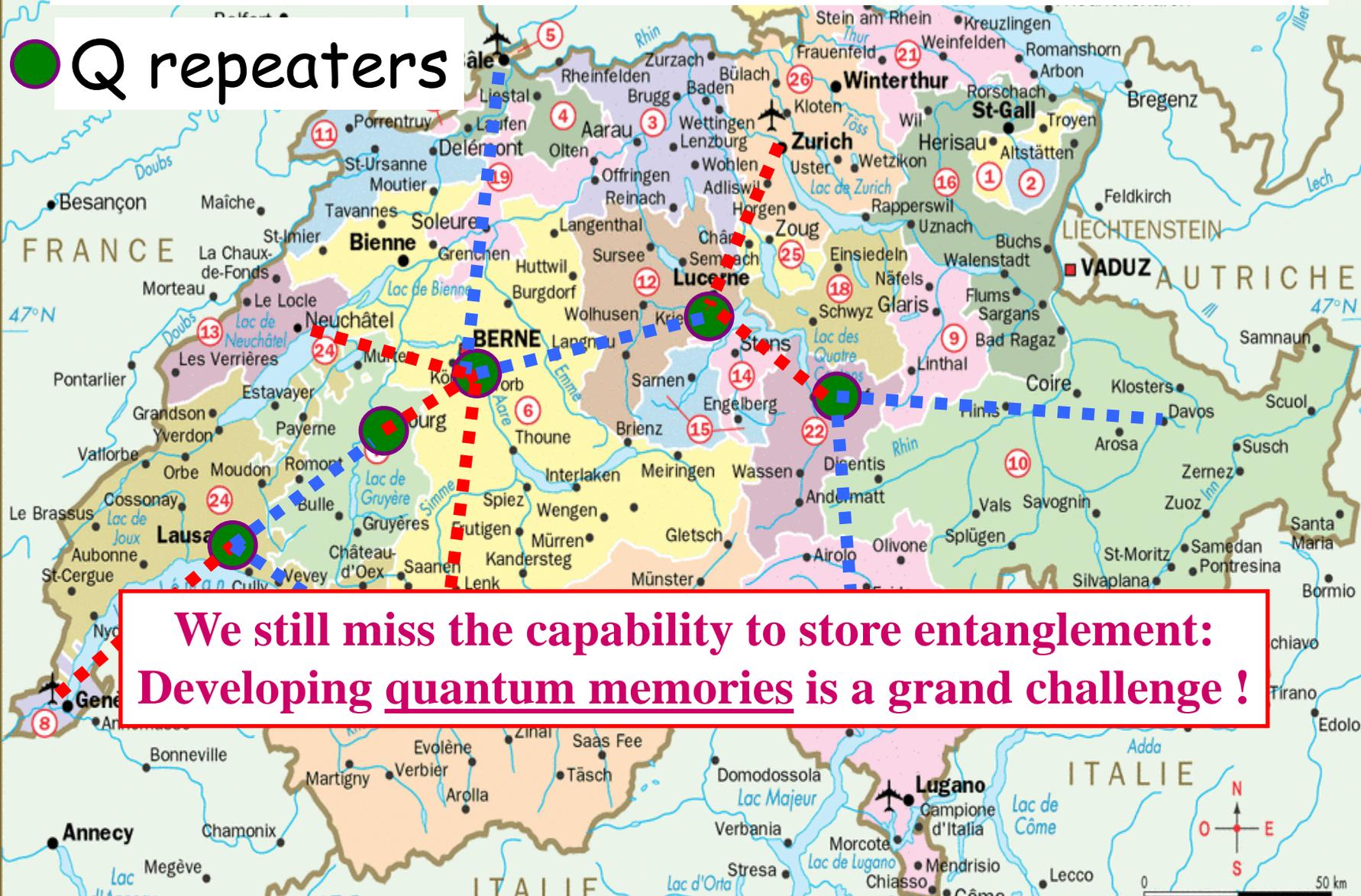


# Quantum Repeaters: beating the hard wall thanks to Teleportation of entanglement



# N-photon quantum communication: quantum networks, quantum internet

● Q repeaters



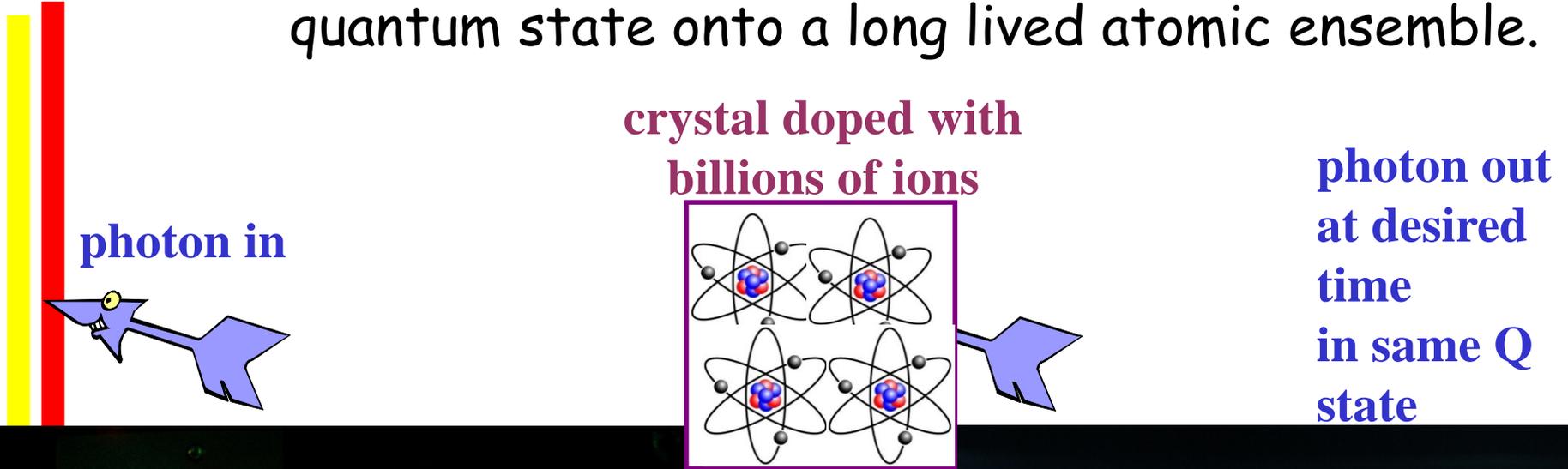
**We still miss the capability to store entanglement:  
Developing quantum memories is a grand challenge !**



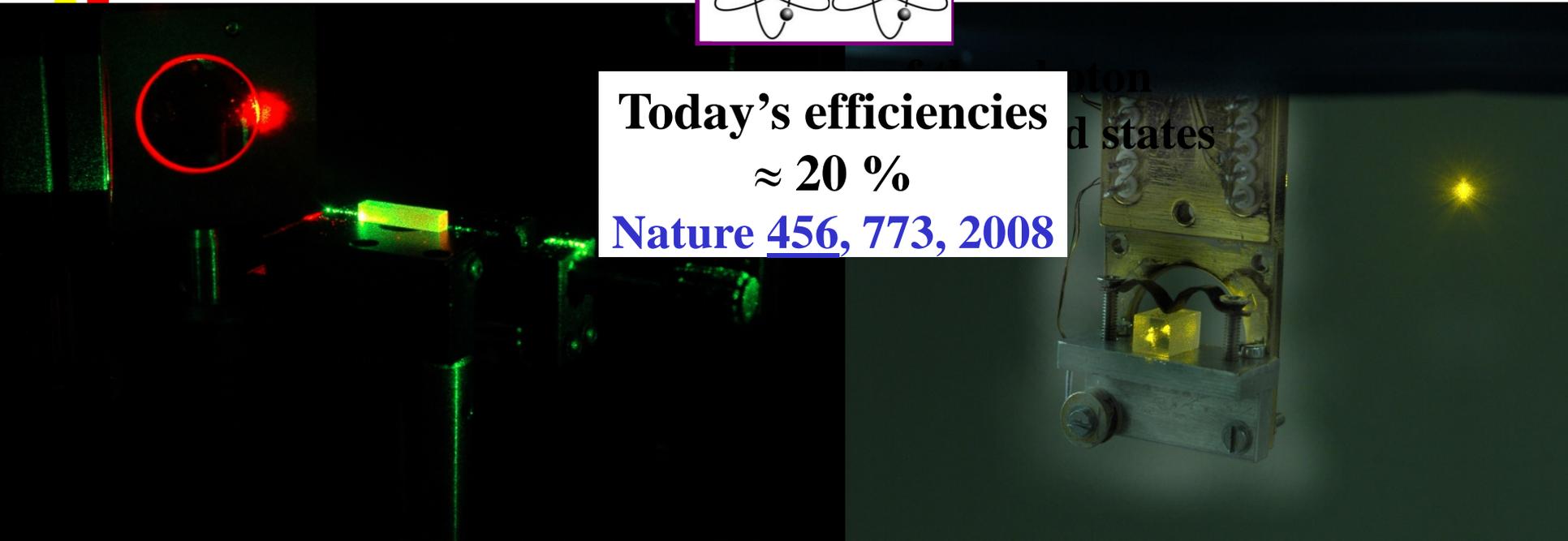


# Quantum memory

Goal: controlled and reversible mapping of a photonic quantum state onto a long lived atomic ensemble.



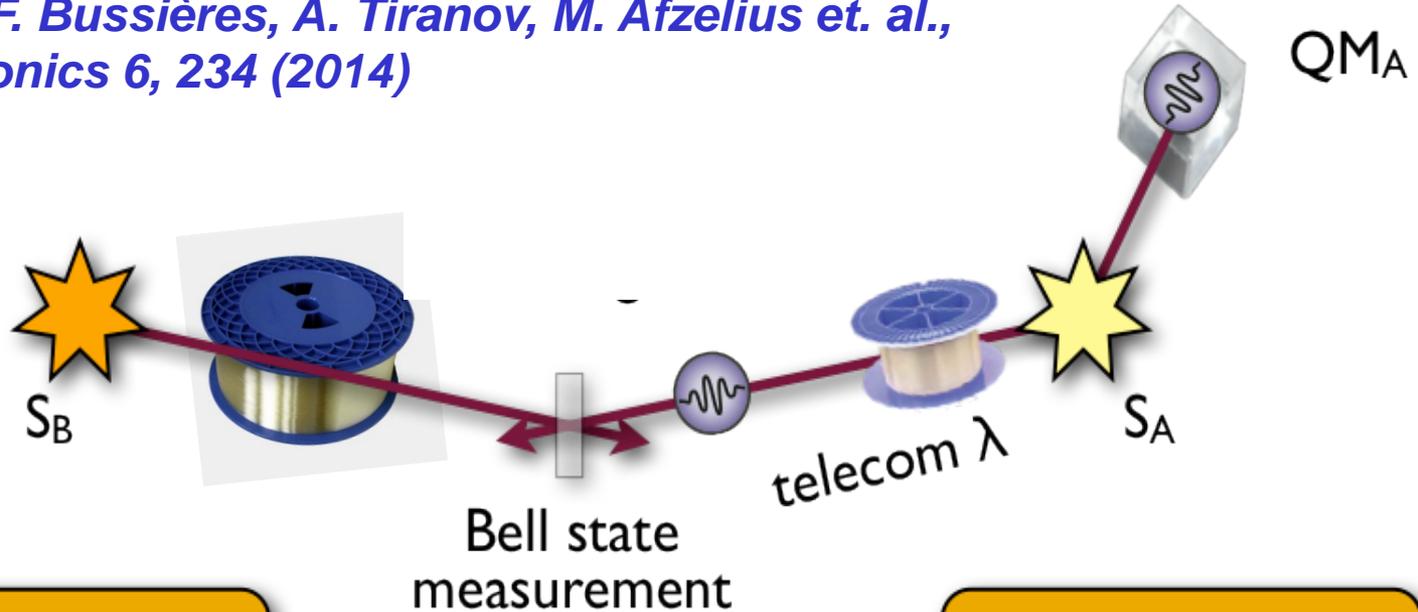
Today's efficiencies  
 $\approx 20\%$   
Nature 456, 773, 2008





# Teleportation of a polarization qubit over 25 km from a weak coherent state

*C. Clausen, F. Bussières, A. Tiranov, M. Afzelius et al.,  
Nature Photonics 6, 234 (2014)*



$$\alpha|H\rangle + \beta|V\rangle$$

$$|HH\rangle + e^{i\phi}|VV\rangle$$

# Quantum teleportation of a telecom-wavelength photon to a solid-state quantum memory



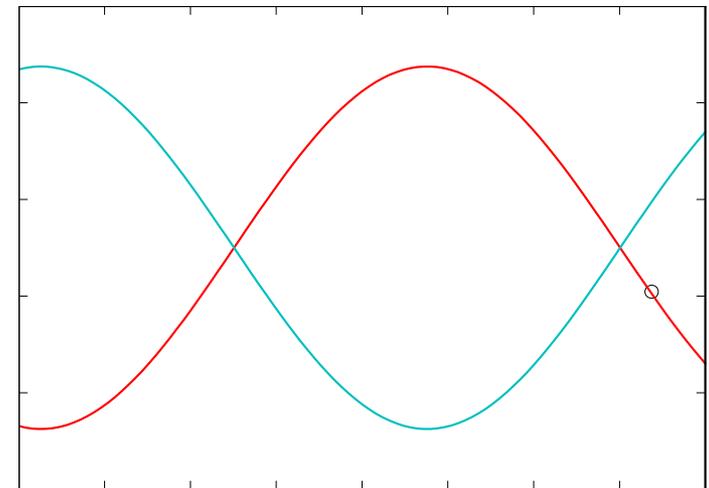
## Partial Bell State Measurement and post-selected fidelity

### Tomographic reconstruction (short link)

<u>State</u>	<u>Fidelity (%)</u>
$ H\rangle$	$94 \pm 3$
$ -\rangle$	$92 \pm 4$
$ R\rangle$	$82 \pm 4$
$ +\rangle$	$82 \pm 4$
Average	$88 \pm 4$

Fidelity of  $|+\rangle$  teleportation  
(2x12.4 km)  $81 \pm 5\%$

### Analysis on a great circle of the Poincaré sphere





# Quantum memory - dream and reality

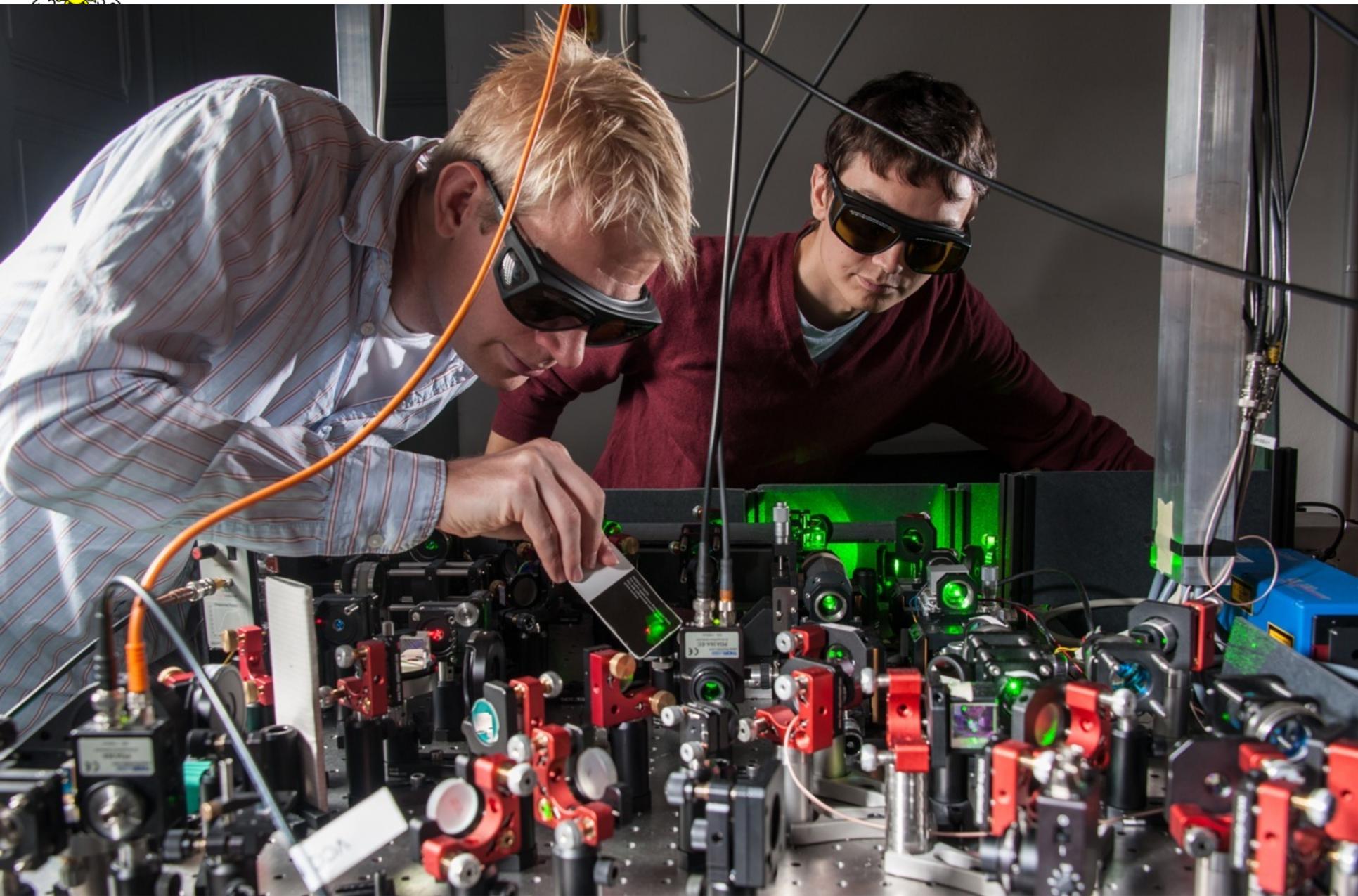
Property	Desired performance	State-of-the-art (quantum & classical state storage)
Efficiency	$\approx 0.9$	0.87
Fidelity*	$\approx 0.95$	0.92-0.98
Multi-mode storage capacity	high	64 (1000) modes
Pulse duration	$\leq$ ns	$\sim 100$ ps
Storage time	$>$ sec	$> 2$ sec
Universal	entanglement-preserving	atomic vapor & RE-crystal
Complexity	simple	...

(for qubits)

\* post selected

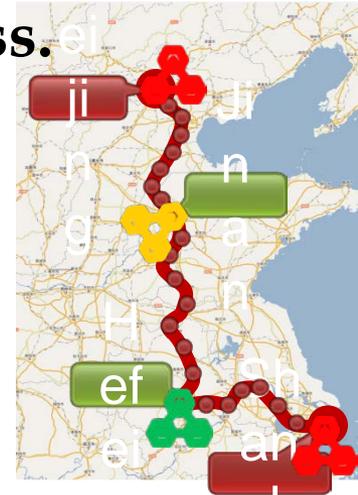
Different storage media and protocols

Hedges *et al*, Nature (2010); Hosseini *et al*, Nature Phys. (2011), Usmani *et al*, Nature Comm (2010), Saglamyurek, WT *et al*, Nature (2011), Longdell *et al*, Phys Rev Lett. (2005), Jin *et al*, quant-ph (2010), Clausen *et al*, Nature (2011), Rempe *et al.*, Nature (2011), Lvovsky, Sanders, WT, Nature Phot. (2010)



# Conclusions

- Quantum offers truly random processes, hence truly random sequences of bits.
- Quantum offers secret & shared randomness.
- Quantum physicists and cryptographers should work together to exploit this gift of Nature.**
- Quantum Networks based on Trusted Nodes are under advanced developments in several countries.
- Quantum Key Distribution Devices exists: you can buy it !
- Quantum Repeaters require teleportation and quantum memories. They are still in the lab.



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Quantum  
Chance  
Nonlocality,  
Teleportation and Other  
Quantum Marvels

Foreword by Alain Aspect

