# The Power of Photons -From Many To Just One



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- Contact based techniques
- Remote sensing method desirable
- Brillouin Scattering
  - J.L. Guagliardo, Dufilho, Rev. Sci. Instrum. 51, (1980) 79
  - Hickman et al., Remote Sens. Environ. 36, (1991) 165









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## **Specifications**



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## Cooling of Relativistic Ion Beams @ ESR, GSI



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## Bunched ion beams Doppler Cooling with counter propagating laser beam

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## **Beamtime 2012 – Cooling of Bunched Beams**





## **Status and Goals**

#### Status

Laser System

ECDL, Fiber Amplifier, FHG Power Linewidth Reliability

**Demonstration of Cooling** 

White-light Cooling (pulsed System)

#### Goals

"Perls on a String" High Luminosity Beams High Precision Experiments







# **Cooling and Trapping of Neutral Atoms**



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Trapping Laser in  $\sigma^+$ -  $\sigma^-$ -Configuration (velocity dependent force)

Inhomogeneous magnetic fields (spatially dependent force)

Interplay between transition rules and Zeeman effect

 $\sigma^+$ - Light  $\Rightarrow \Delta m = +1$ 

 $\sigma$ - Light  $\Rightarrow \Delta m = -1$ 

# **Mercury MOT**

#### Motivation

Photo-association of ultra-cold molecules, cold chemistry

Entanglement between Atoms, Einstein-Podolsky Rosen Exp.

#### Status

Loading time 1 s, diameter 500  $\mu$ m Temperature (327±80)  $\mu$ K

<sup>202</sup>Hg (Boson) Number (3.2±0.3)x10<sup>6</sup> Density (4.8±1.4)x10<sup>10</sup> atoms/cm<sup>3</sup> <sup>199</sup>Hg (Fermion) Number (8.2±0.7)x10<sup>5</sup> Density (1.2±1.4)x10<sup>10</sup> atoms/cm<sup>3</sup>









## **Quantum Key Distribution**



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Basics: Superposition Entanglement





## **Source of Entangled States**



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Spontaneous Parametric Downconversion non-linear crystal Vertikal Idler **Polarization UV** Laser χ(2) orizontal Polarization Signal **Entangled Photons (Polarization)** 

Z.Y. Ou and L. Mandel, PRL **61** (1988) p. 50 J. G. Rarity and P.R. Tapster, PRL **64** (1990) p. 2495 P.G. Kwiat, K. Mattle, H. Weinfurter, A. Zeilinger, A.V. Sergienko, and Y. Shih, PRL **75**, (1995) p. 4337

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## QKD – BB84 Protocol



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Single Photons

Random

No-Cloning

- "Sifting"
- Error Correction
- Privacy Amplification

4 Quantum States (Polarization)







## "Alice" Heralded type-II SPDC Single Photon Source



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## **QKD** in Darmstadt







methods.



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The Darmstadt QKD Experiment

Sifted Key 1800 Bits/s (1200 Bits/s) QBER 12.06% (11.04%) Distance 1 m

Limitation: Bob-Module



# How to decide the indistinguishability of 2 photons?



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2 indistinguishable Photons





# P4: Goal and challenges









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## Development of multi-partite QKD





Experimental exploration		Theoretical investigation	
Basic quantum	Multipartite		Security for device in-
features	correlations		dependent scenario







## **Quantum Hub**



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## Experimental exploration

Experimental setup based on SPDC at telecom wavelength

Simultaneous key exchange between any two parties

Characterization: rates, QBER, scalability

stability and quantum features

## Theoretical investigation

Description of multipartite Entanglement Conditions of device independent security Elimination of trust Theoretical description of experimental setup Security





