

Solving computational problems with coupled lasers

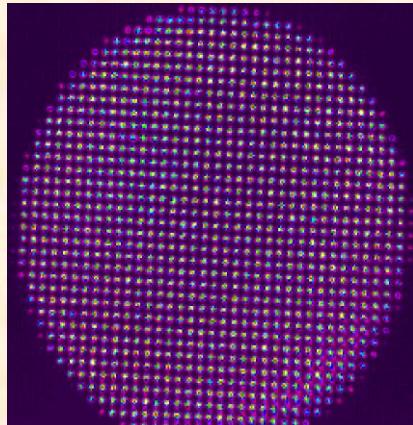
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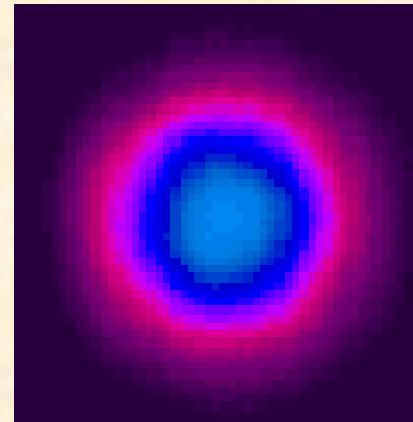
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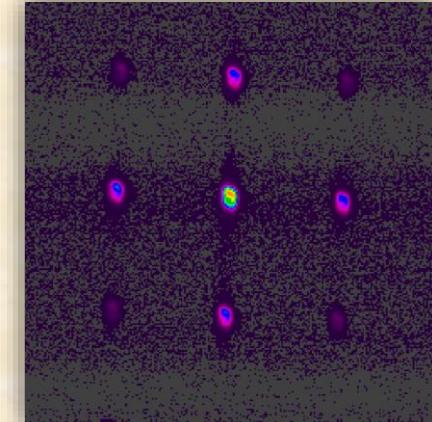
1500 lasers



Far-Field
no coupling



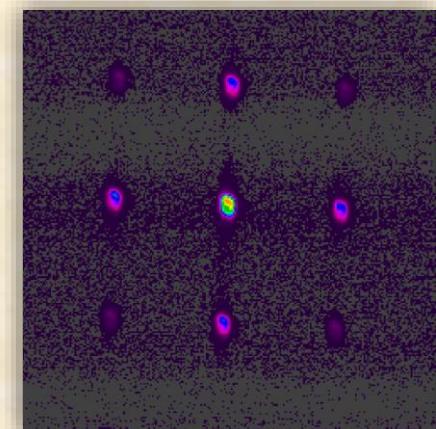
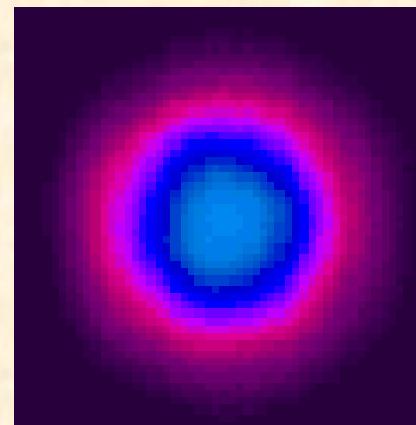
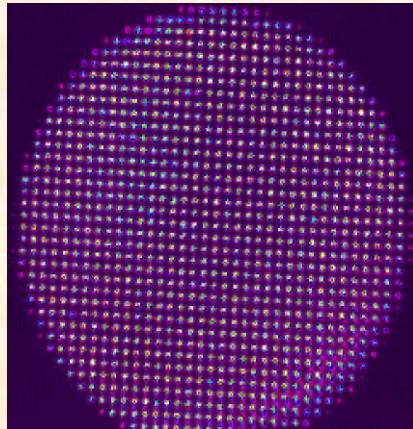
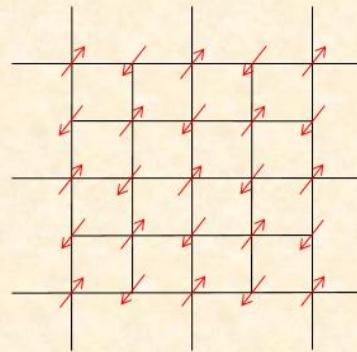
Far-Field
with coupling



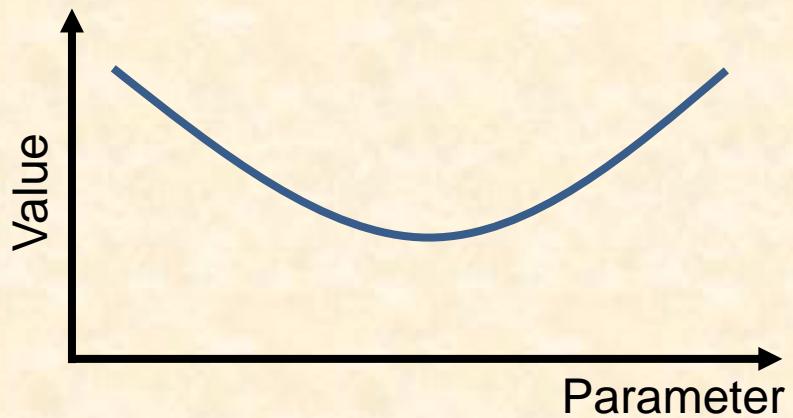
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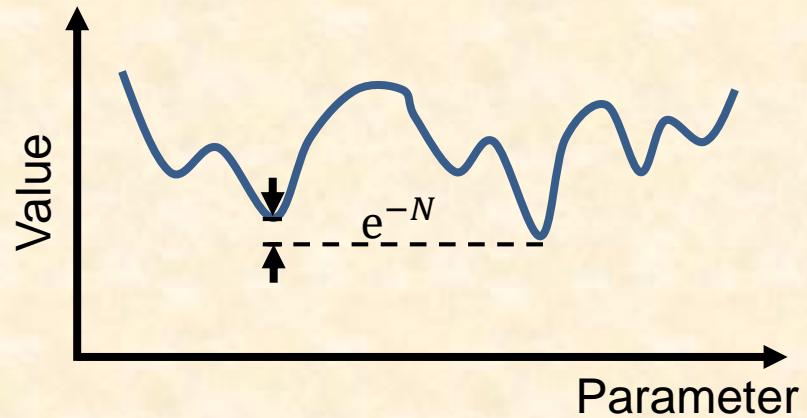
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Coherent computing: basic principle

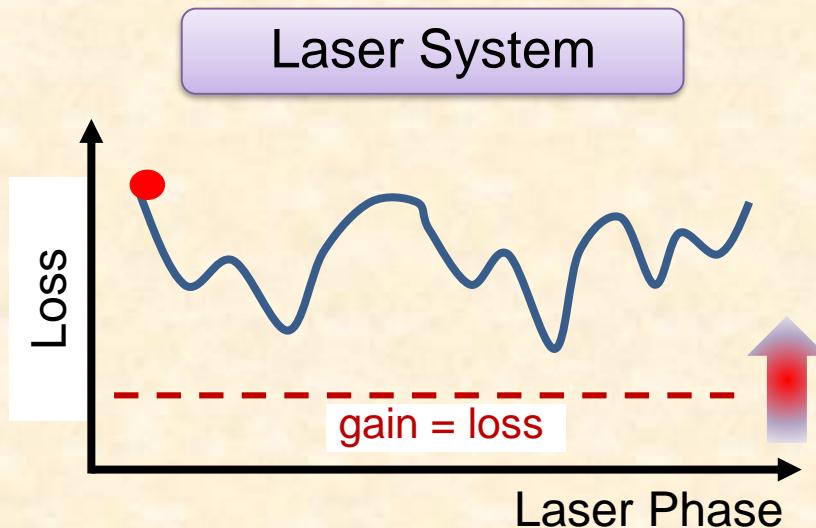


“Easy”



“Hard”

Coherent computing: basic principle



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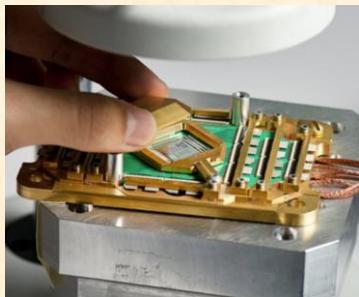
A fully-programmable 100-spin coherent Ising machine with all-to-all connections

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“Annealing” machines (very partial list)

- D-Wave

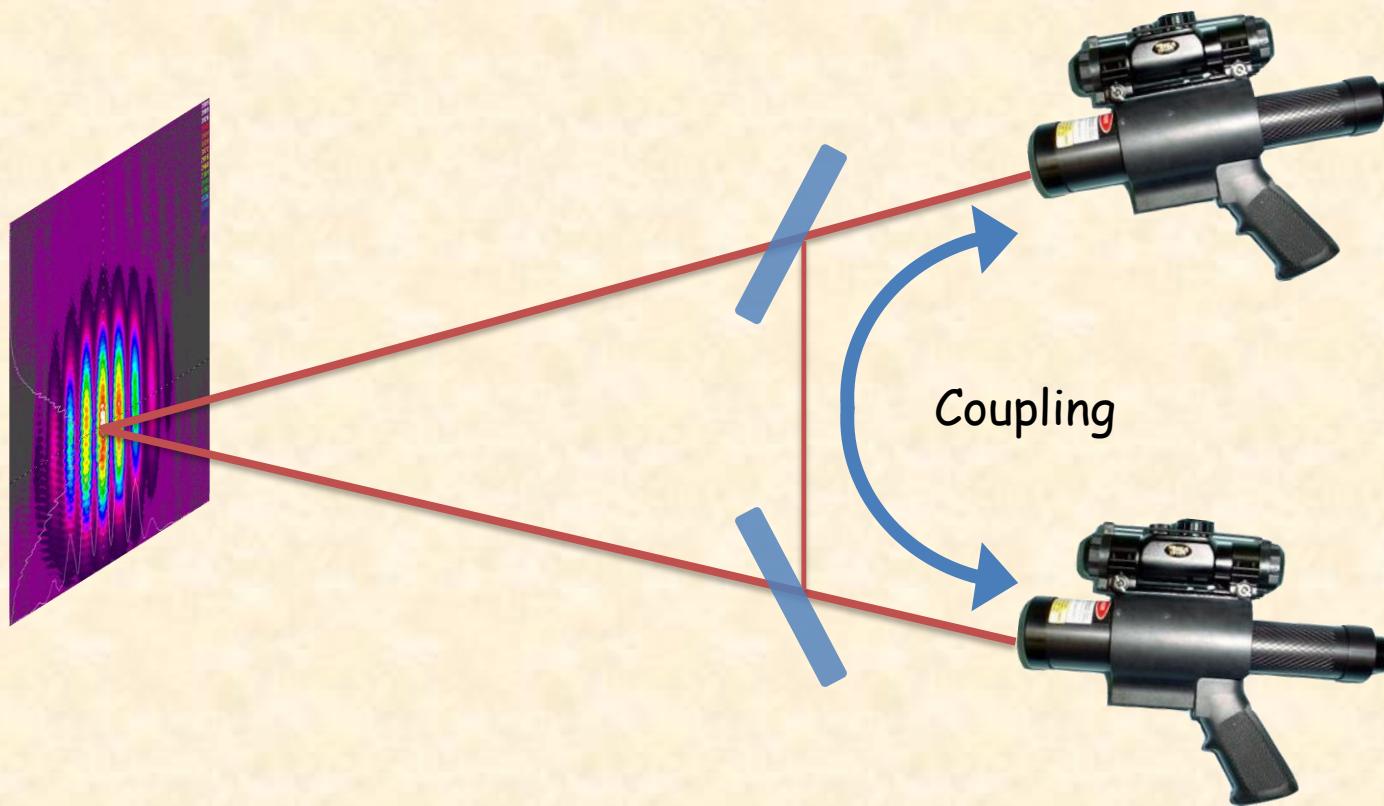


- OPO's (Stanford + NTT, Columbia, Cornell, Caltech ...)
- Lasers (Weizmann, Light-Solver, CREOL/USC, Tucson, Stanford + Tokyo ...)
- Polariton BECs (Southampton, Cambridge, Palaiseau ...)
- Photonics (Rome, MIT ...)
- Electronics (MIT, Fujitsu, Toshiba, Bar-Ilan ...)
- Micro-droplets (Toronto)
- Cold atoms (many places)

Outline

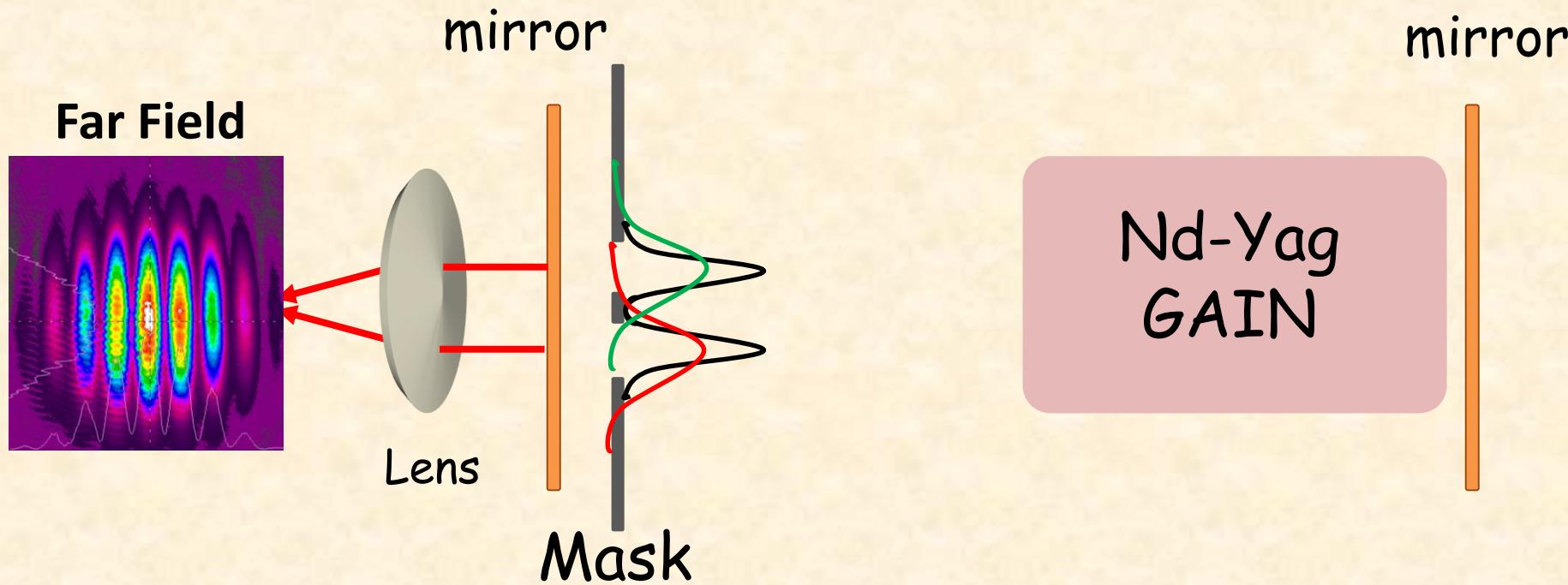
- Simulating XY spins and beyond
- Continuous problems (if time permits)

What is phase locking ?



$$\Delta\varphi(t) = \varphi_2(t) - \varphi_1(t) = \text{const}$$

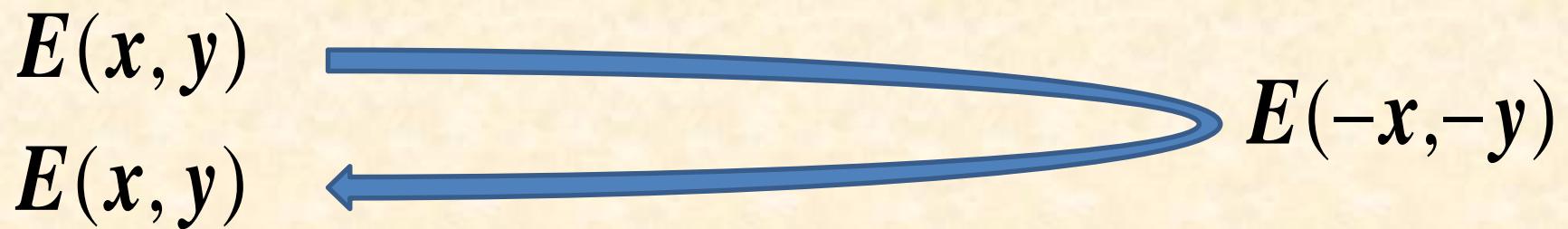
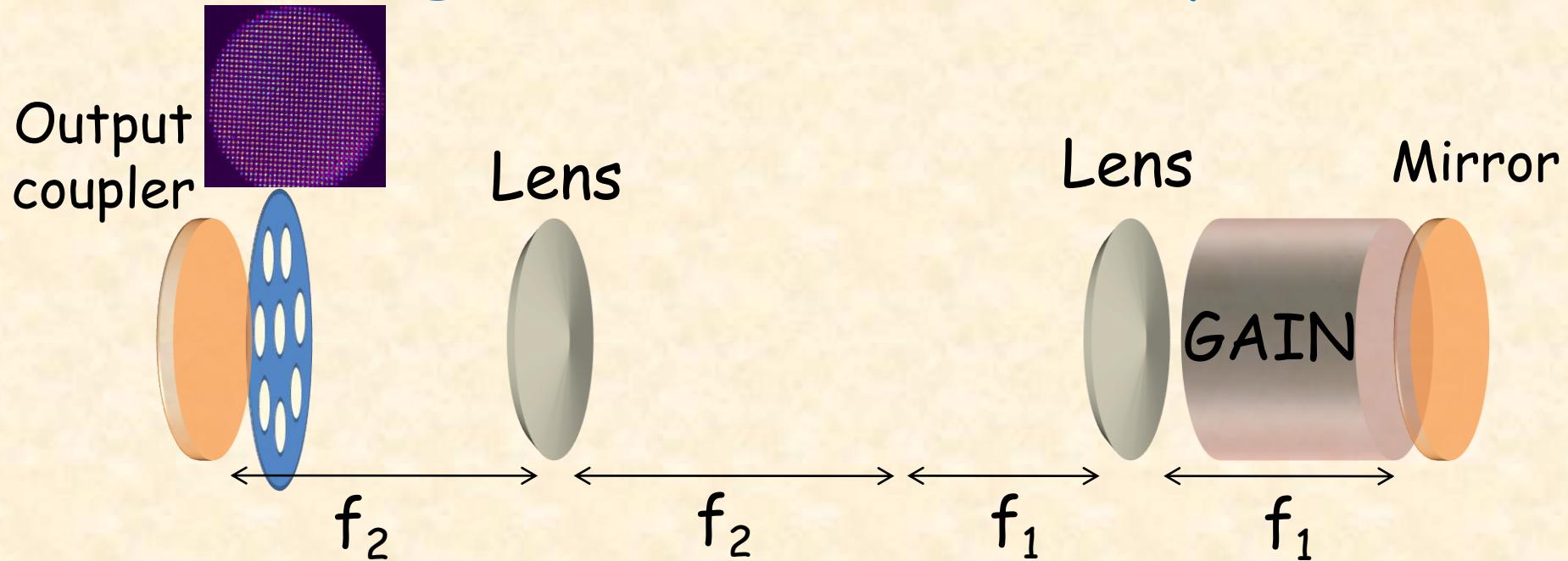
Diffractive coupling



Short range coupling $\kappa_{ij} = \langle E_i | E_j \rangle \approx e^{-\alpha(i-j)^2}$

Dissipative coupling: minimizes losses

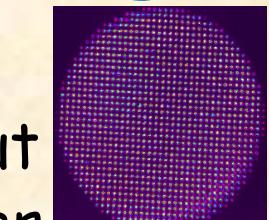
Degenerate laser cavity



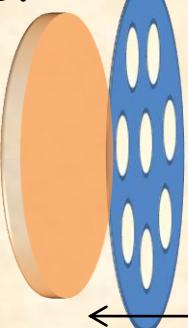
320,000 degenerate modes (R. Chriki 2019)

Degenerate cavity: square array

Output
coupler



Lens



f_2



f_2

Lens



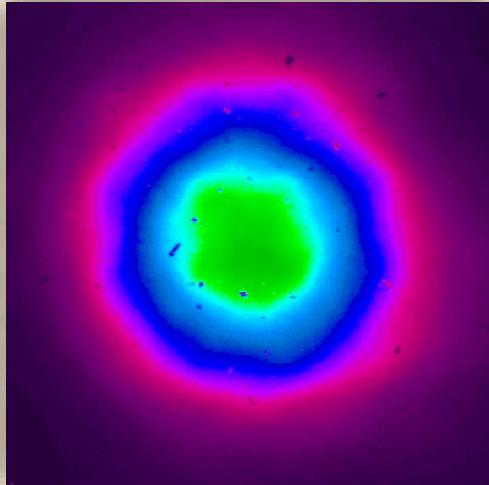
f_1

Mirror



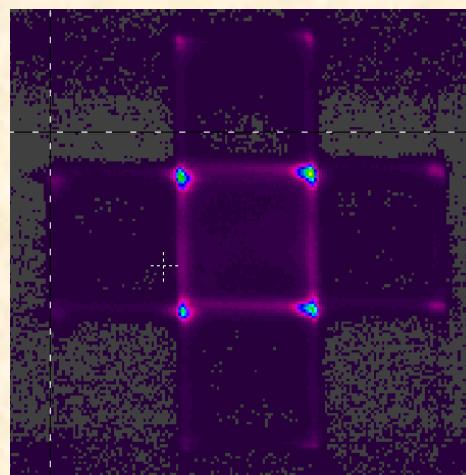
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No coupling



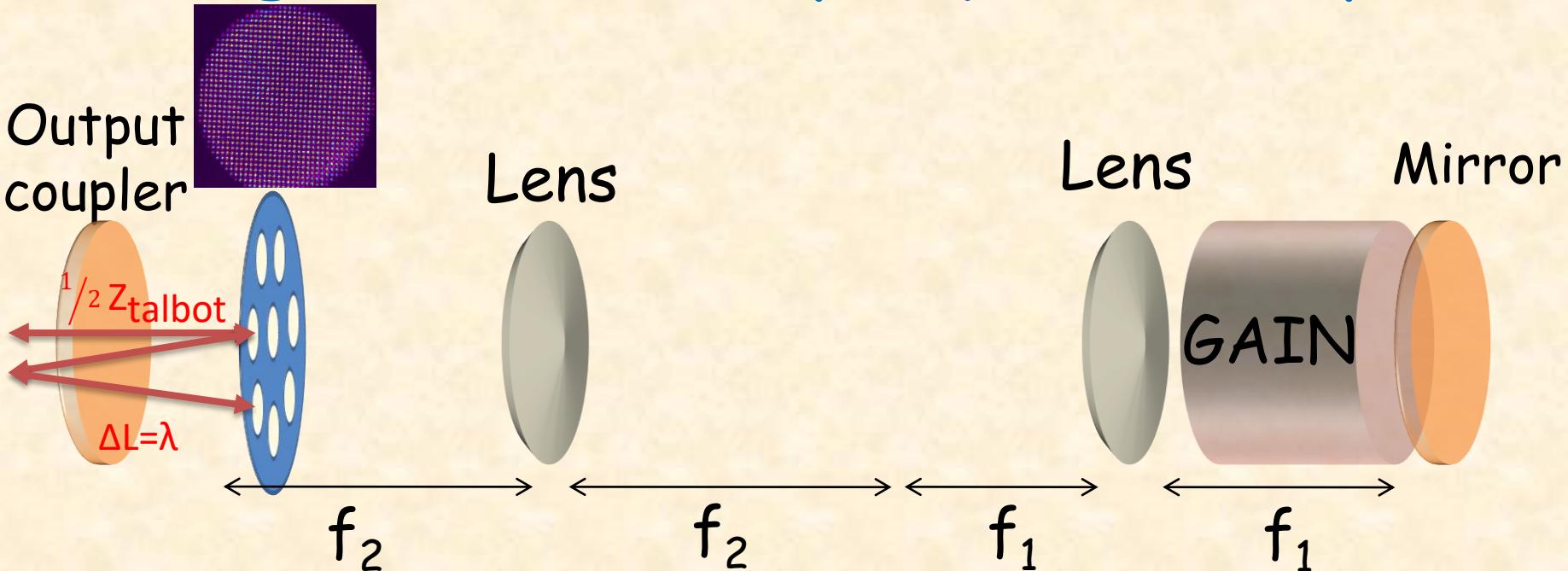
Far
Field

Negative coupling



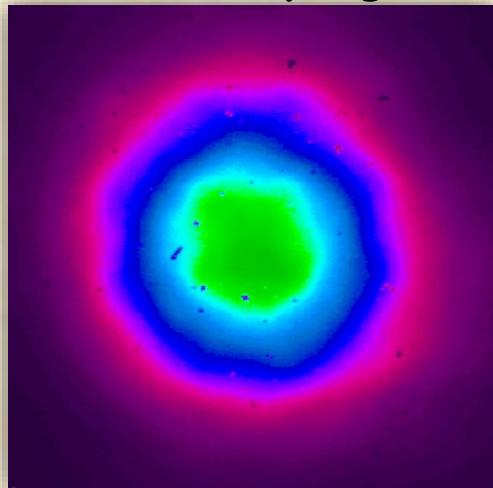
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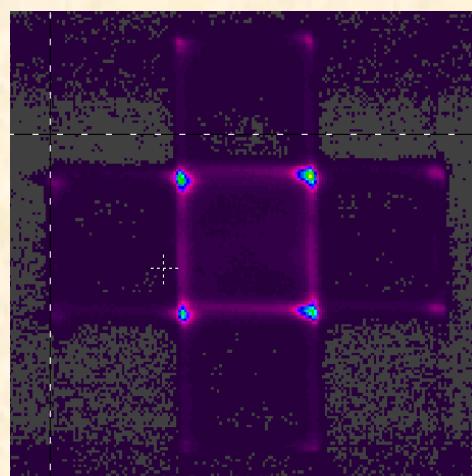


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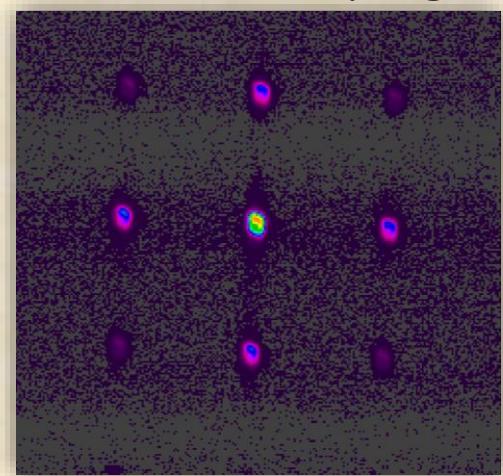
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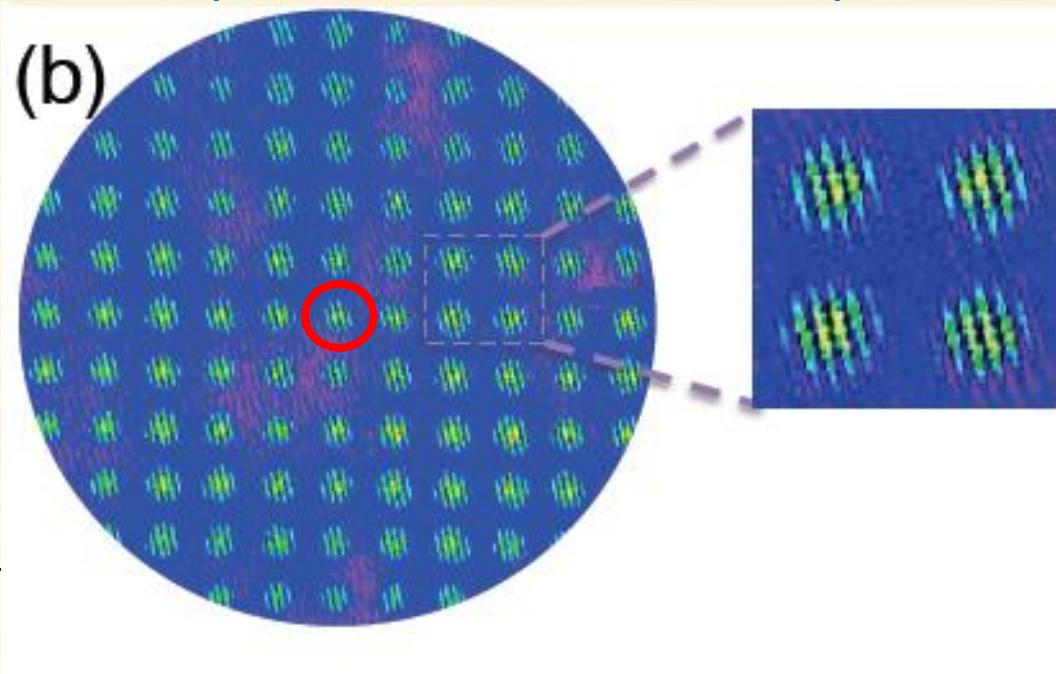
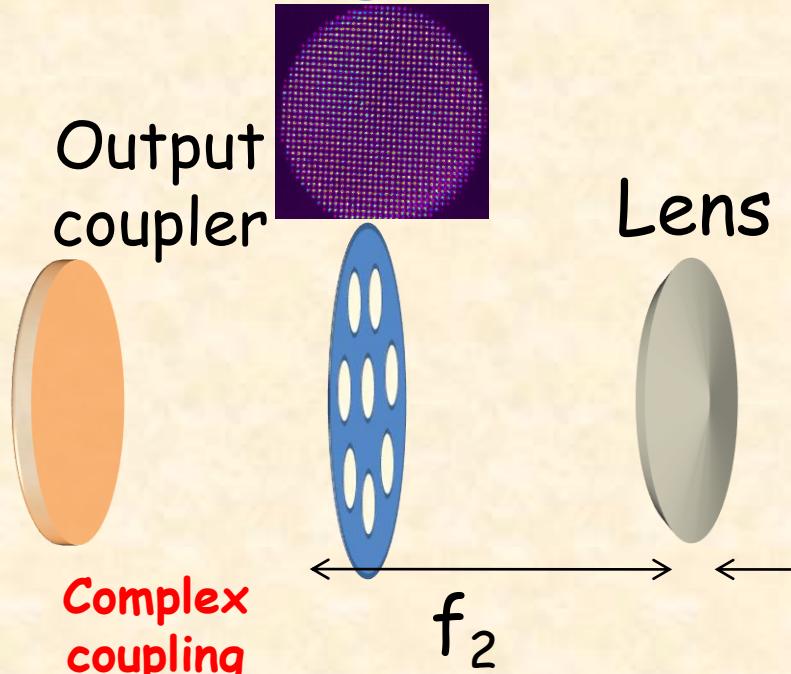
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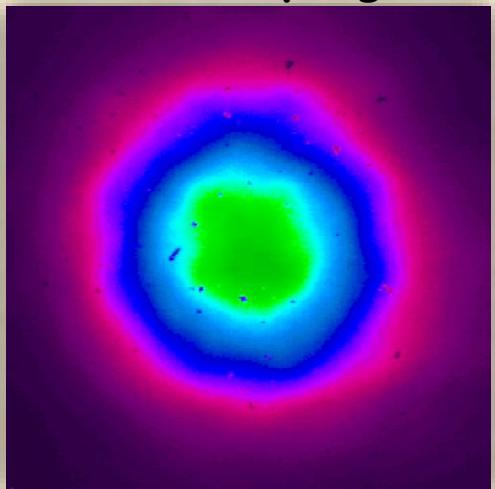
Positive coupling



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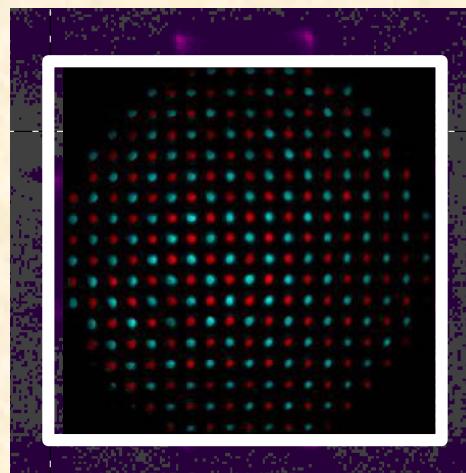


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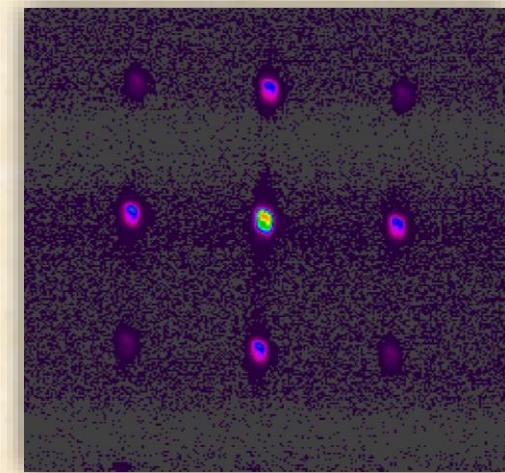


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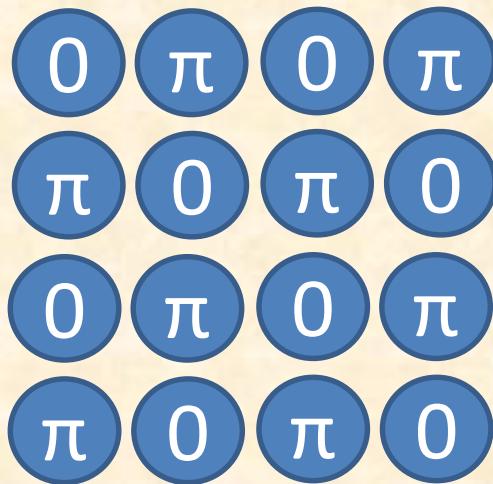


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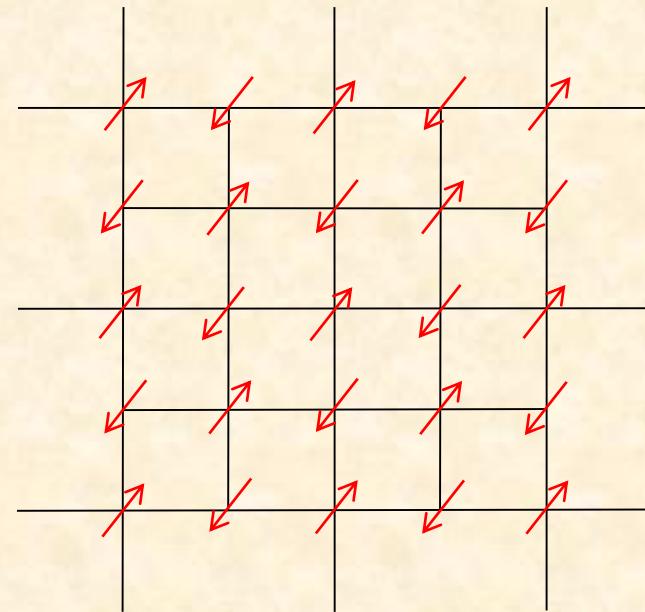


Lasers \longleftrightarrow Spins

("freeze" all DOF except phase)



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$$\dot{\theta}_i = \sum K_{ij} \sin(\theta_j - \theta_i)$$

Kuramoto Model

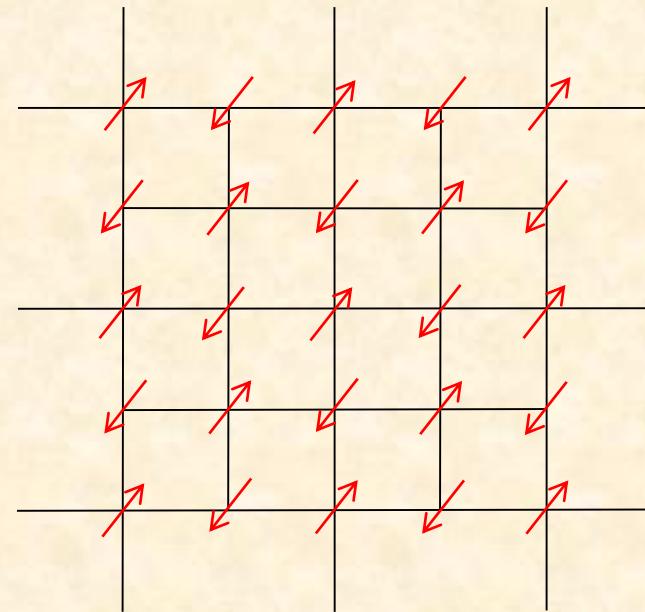
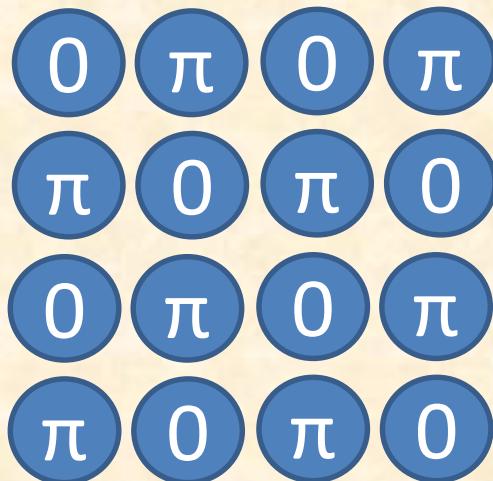
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Classical XY model

Laser "minimal loss" state \longleftrightarrow Kuramoto stable fixed point \longleftrightarrow XY ground state

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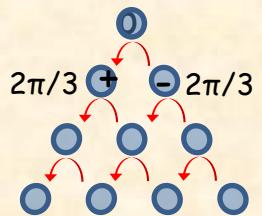
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I. Gershenzon et. al., Nanophotonics 20200137 (2020)

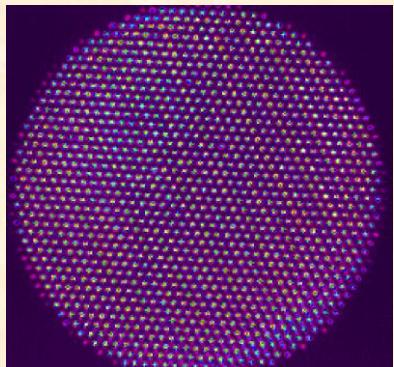
M. Nixon et. al., PRL 110, 184102 (2013)

Large arrays (NN negative coupling)

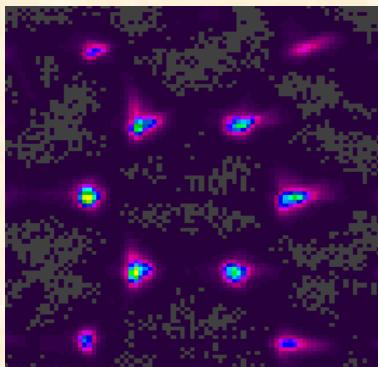
Triangular lattice



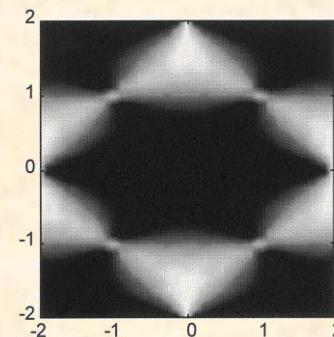
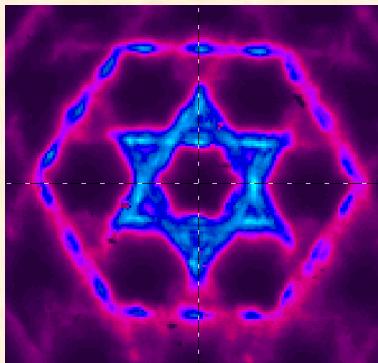
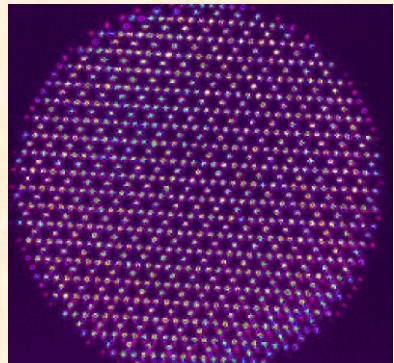
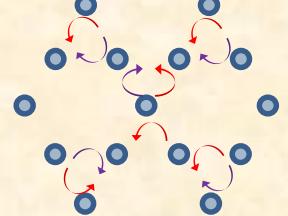
Near Fields



Far Fields

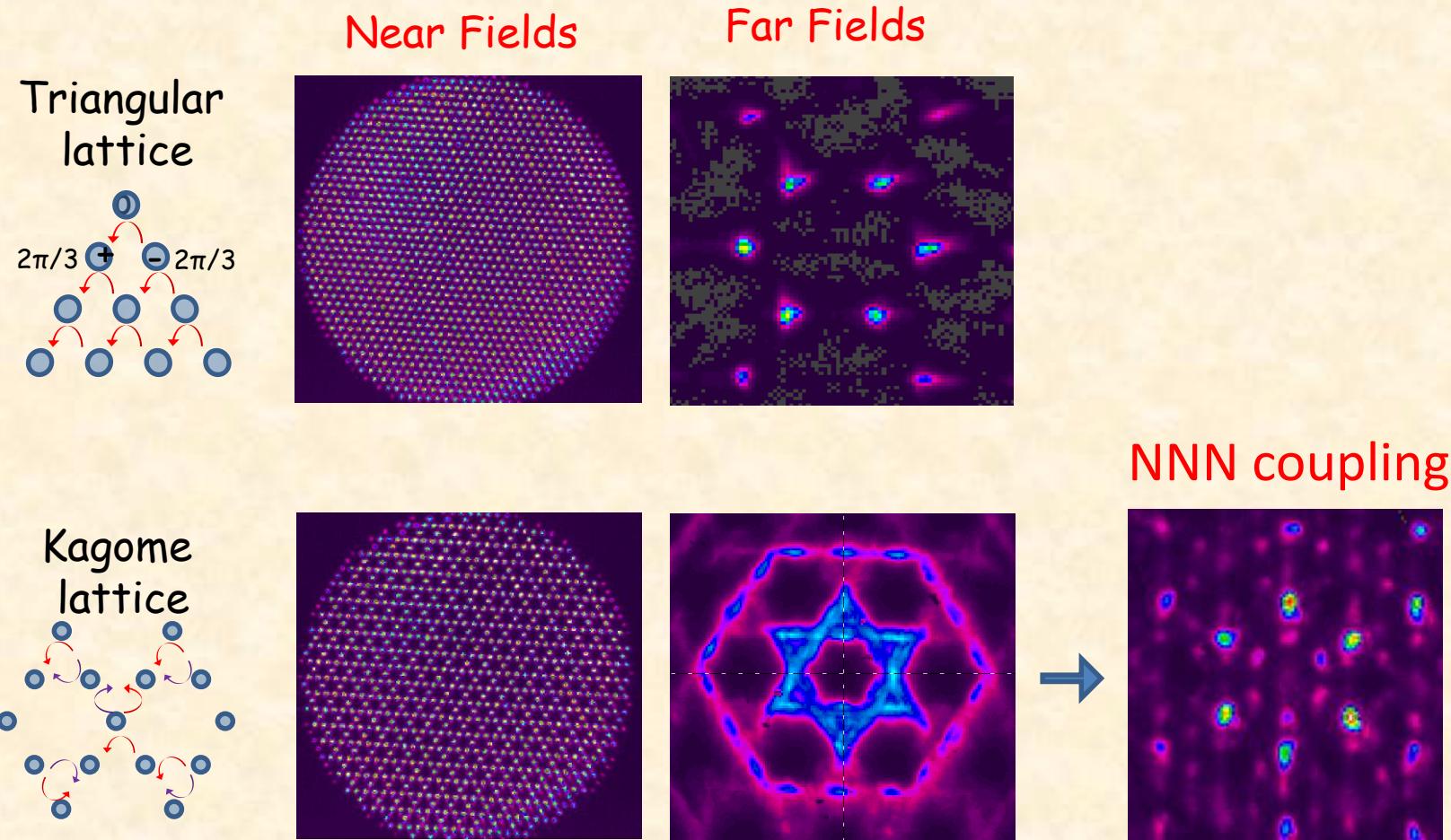


Kagome lattice

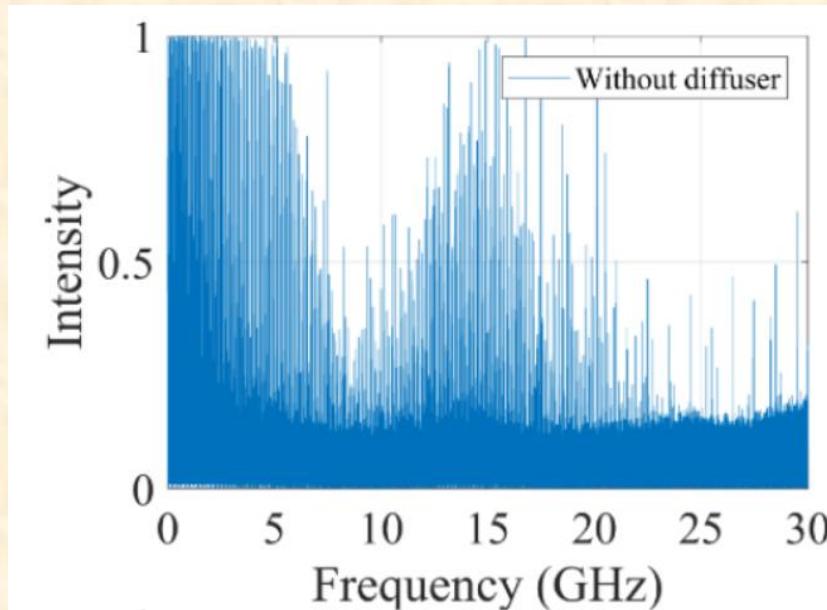


Moessner and Chalker
PRB 58 12049 (1998)

Large arrays (NN negative coupling)



Spatio-temporal modes



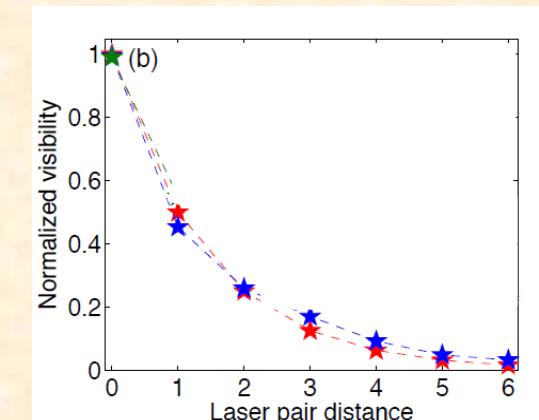
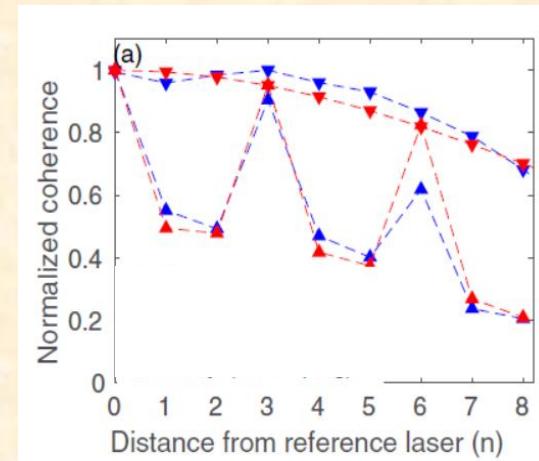
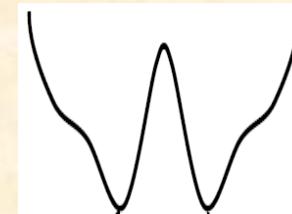
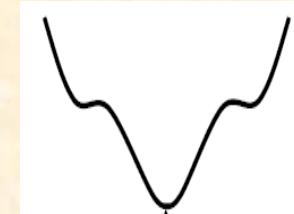
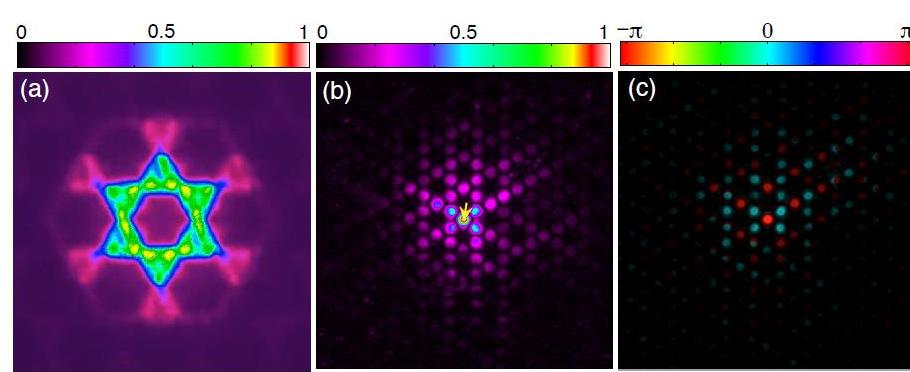
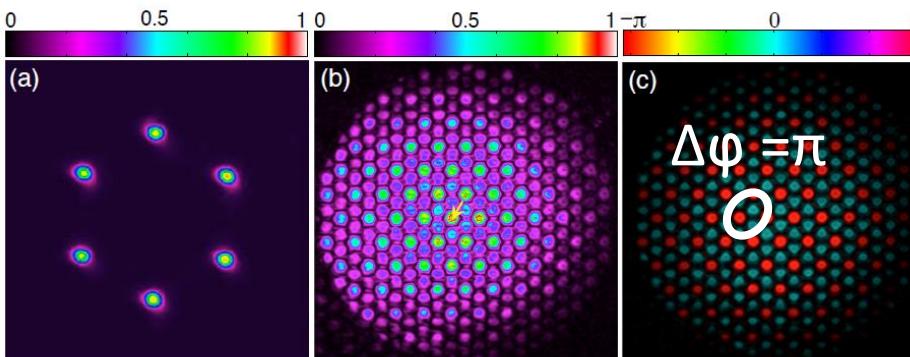
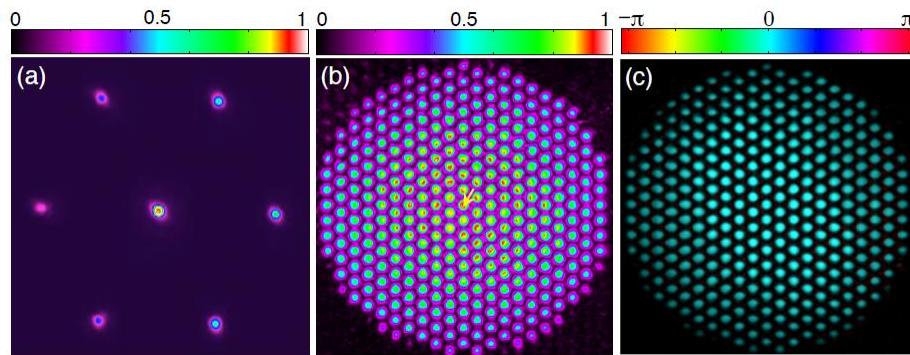
Each of the **1500** lasers has **250** longitudinal modes

Ensemble of **250** independent experiments

Average $\langle \cos(\varphi_{ij}) \rangle$ over 250 longitudinal modes

Far Field

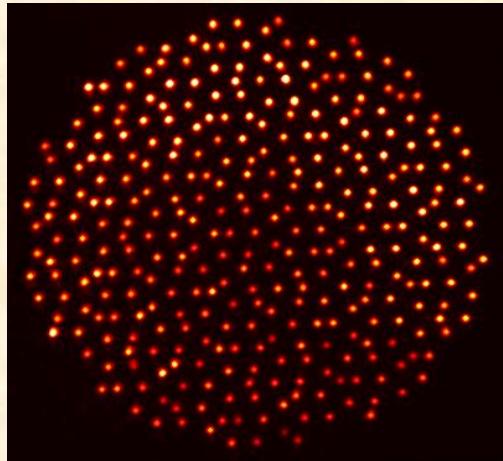
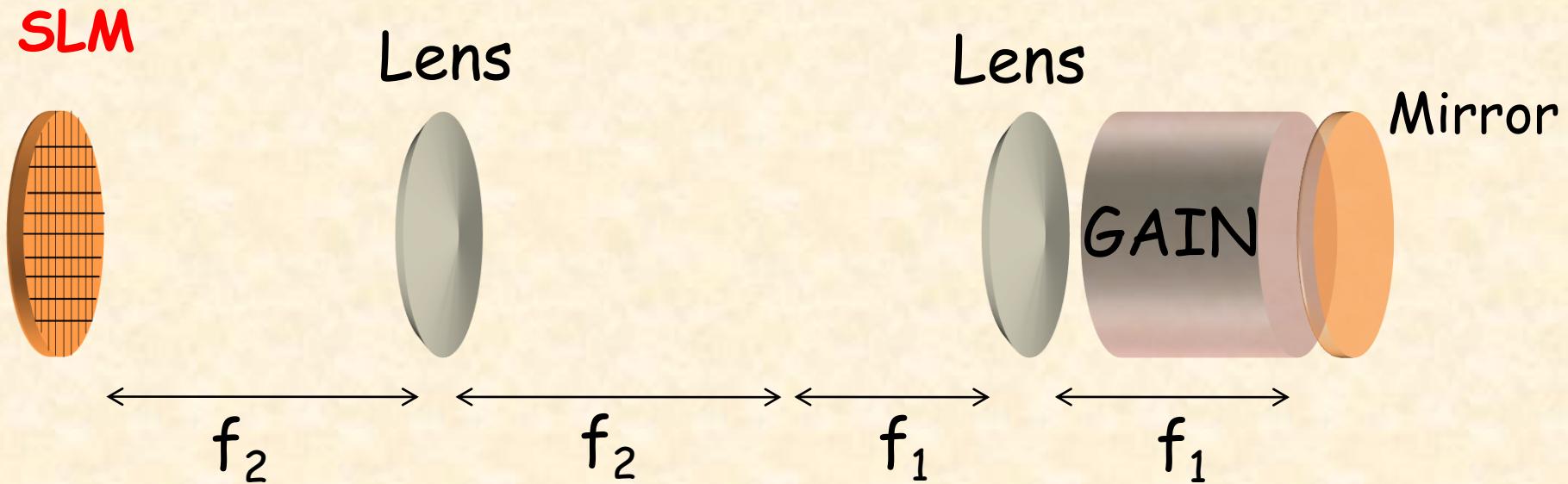
Coherence



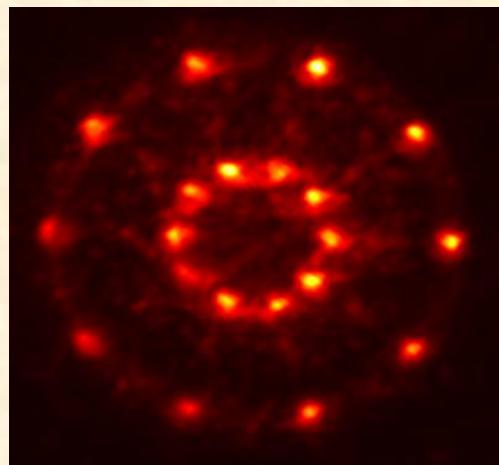


Questions so far?

Digital laser (amplitude)

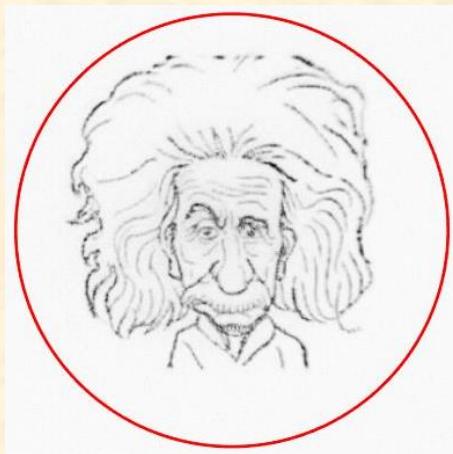
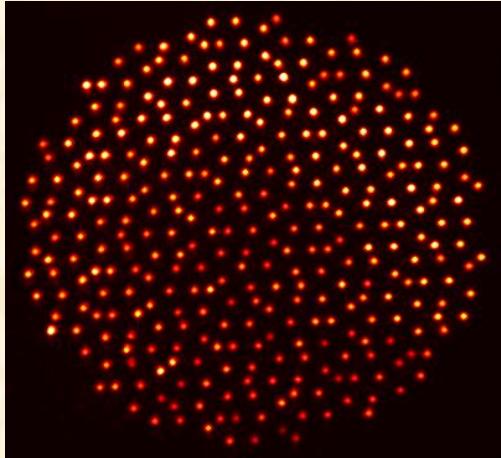
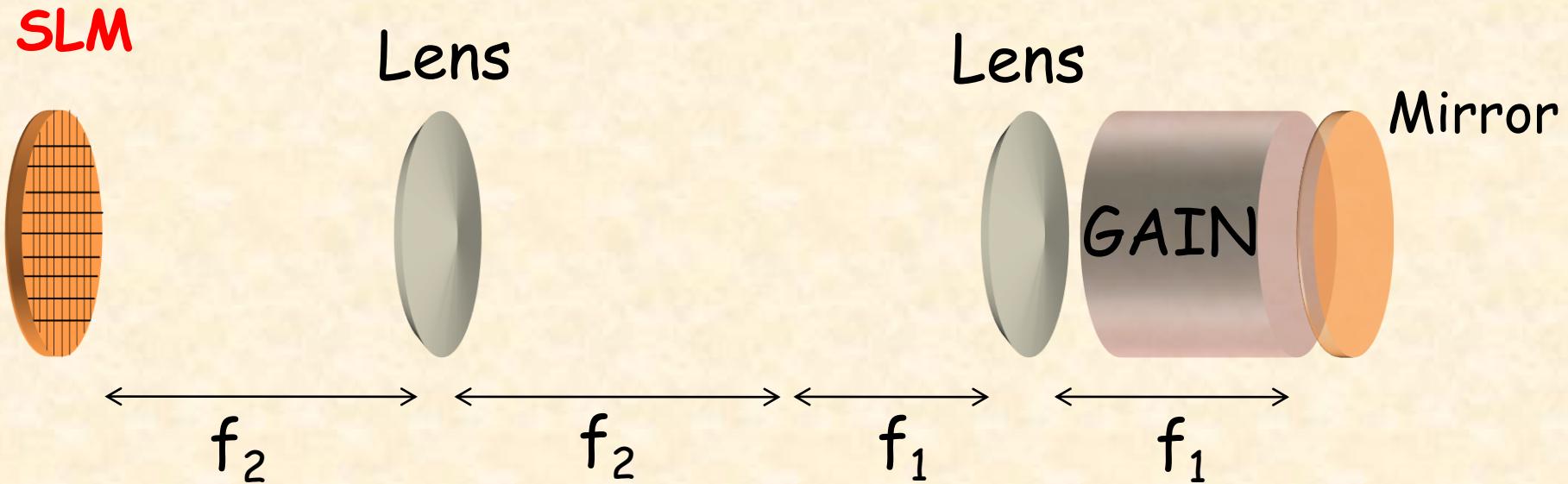


Near Field

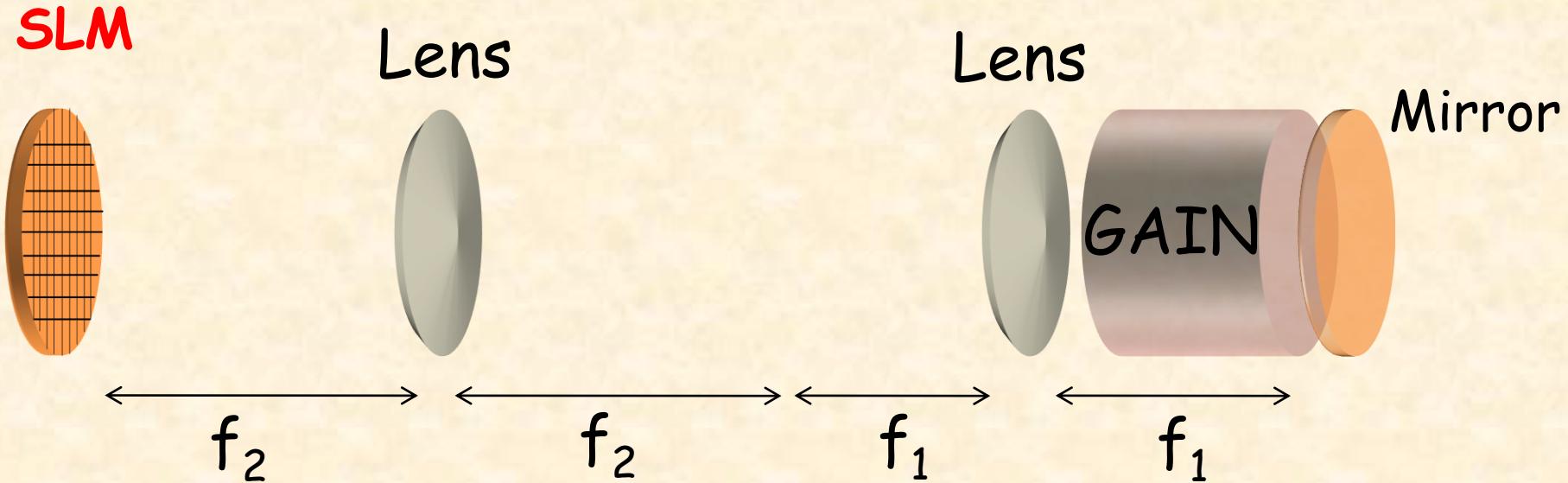


Far Field

Digital laser (amplitude)



Adding disorder (phase)



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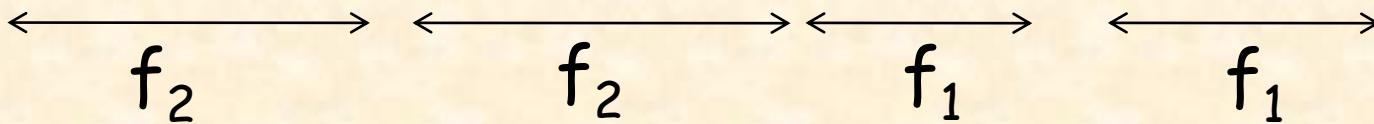
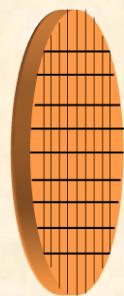
Adding disorder

SLM

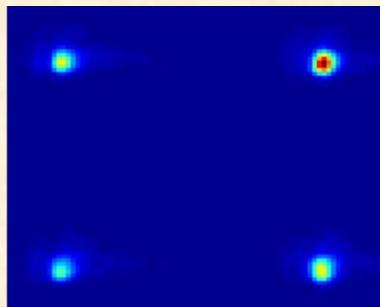
Lens

Lens

Mirror

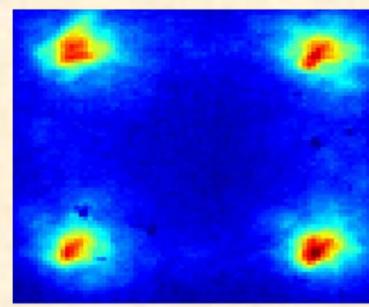


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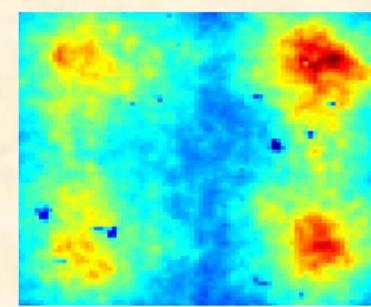
$$\langle \varphi \rangle_{rms} = 0$$

Far Field



$$\langle \varphi \rangle_{rms} = \frac{\pi}{10}$$

Far Field



$$\langle \varphi \rangle_{rms} = \frac{\pi}{5}$$

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Lens



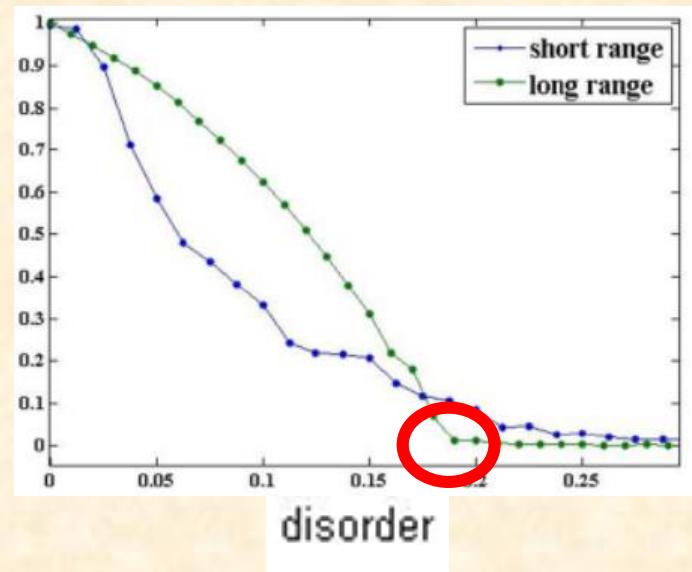
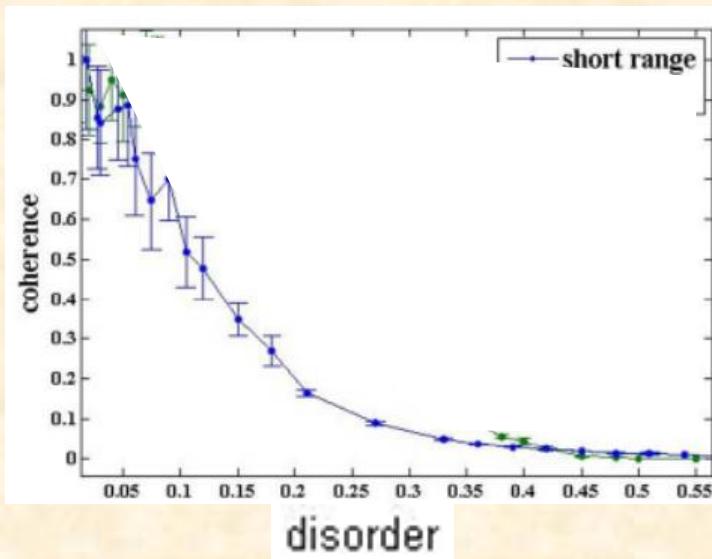
f_2 f_2 f_1 f_1

Lens



Mirror

GAIN



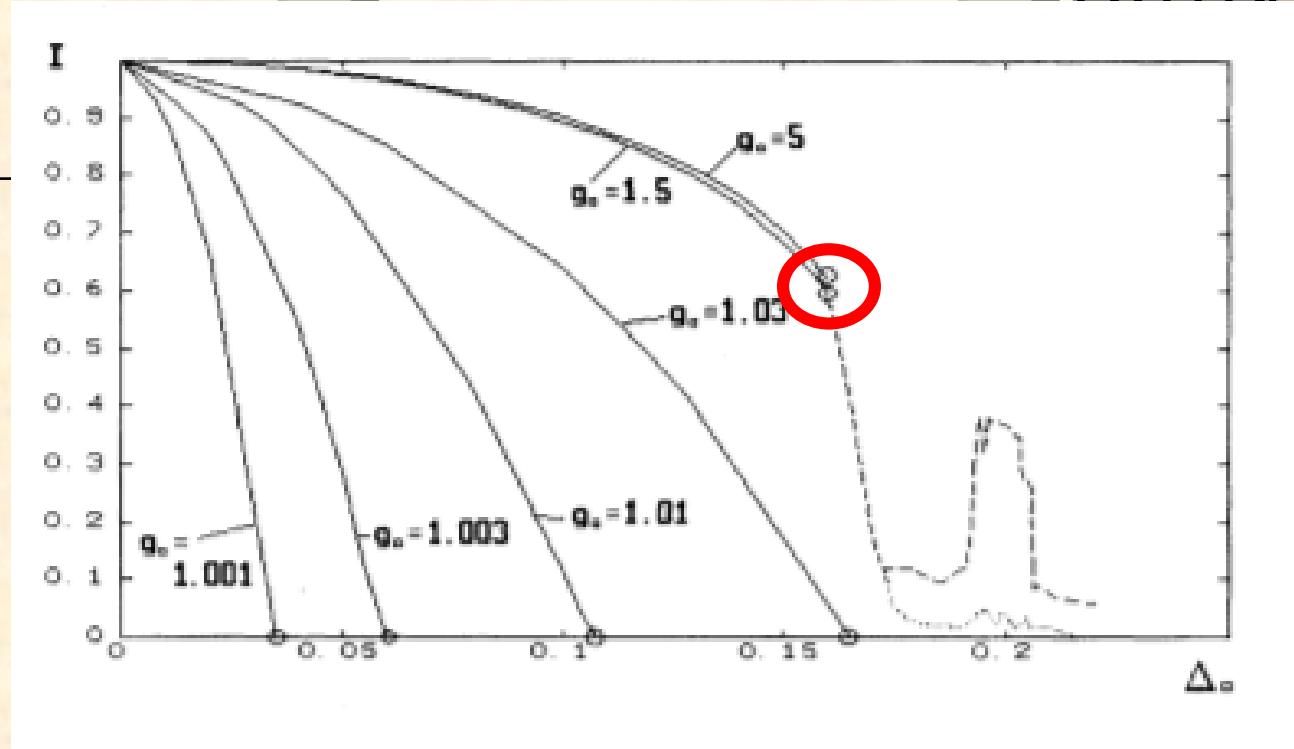
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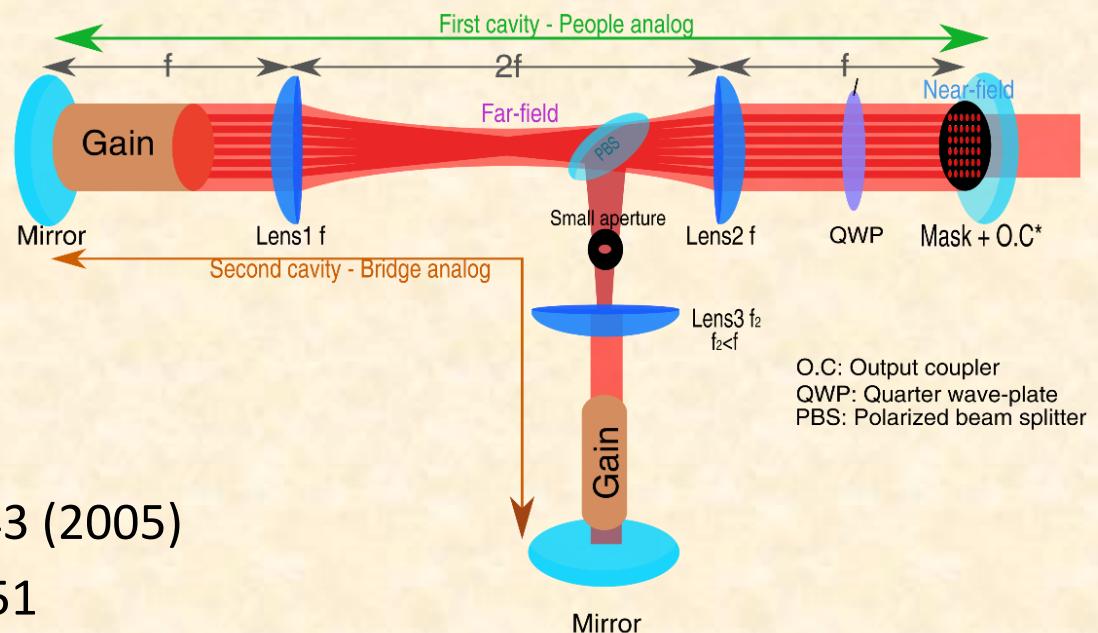
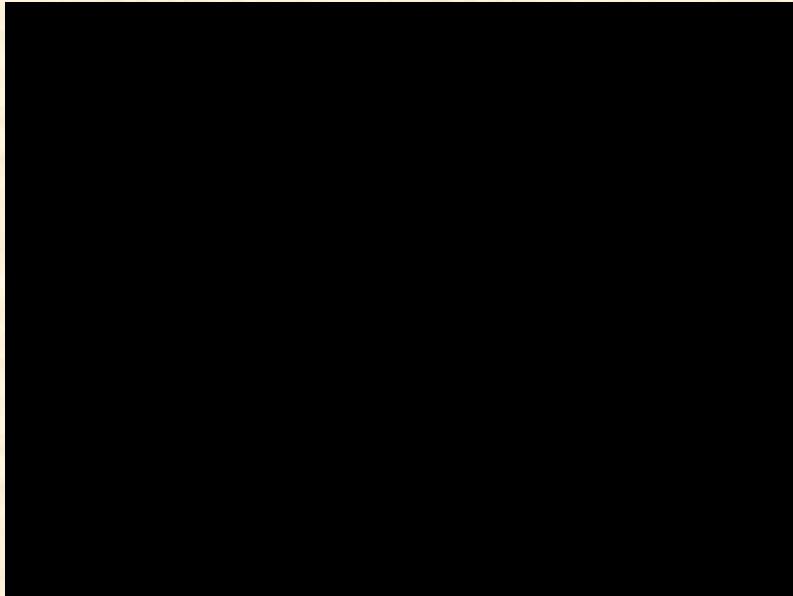
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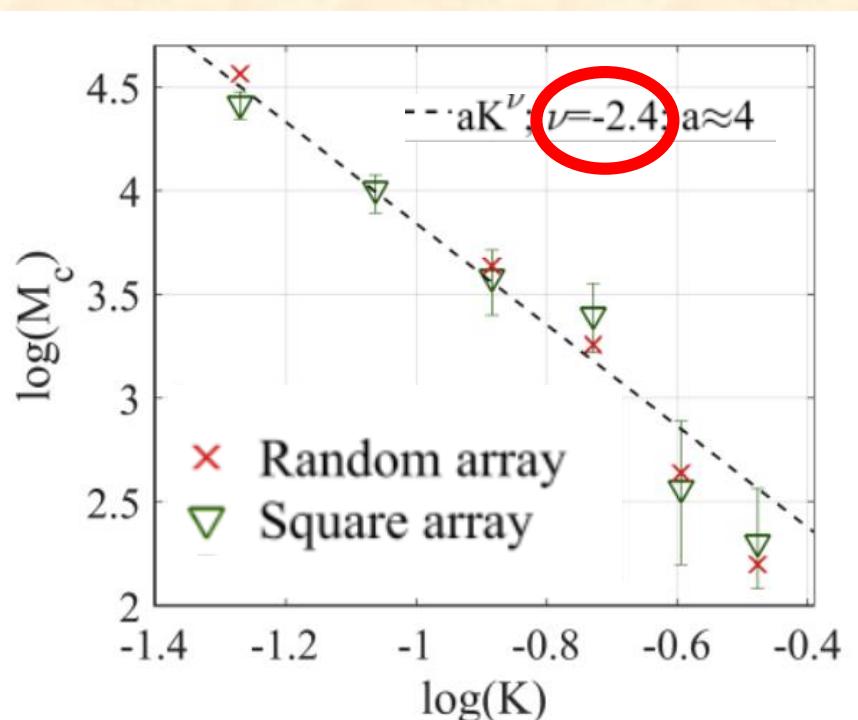
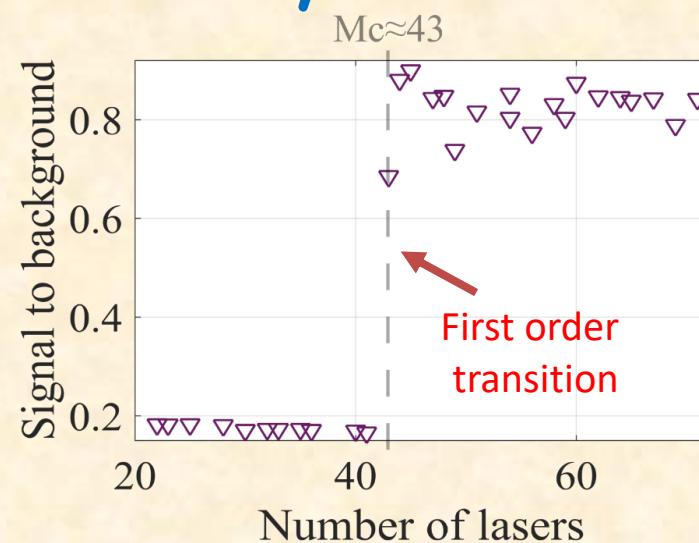
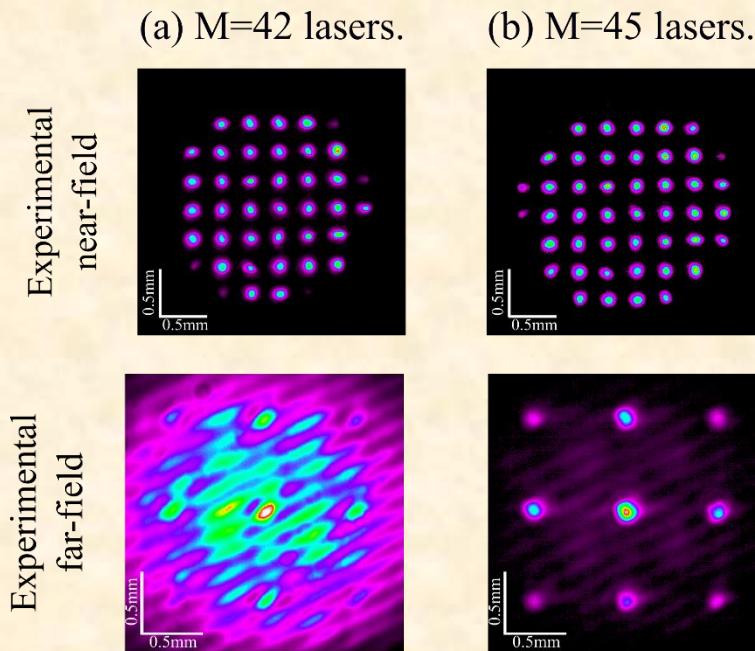
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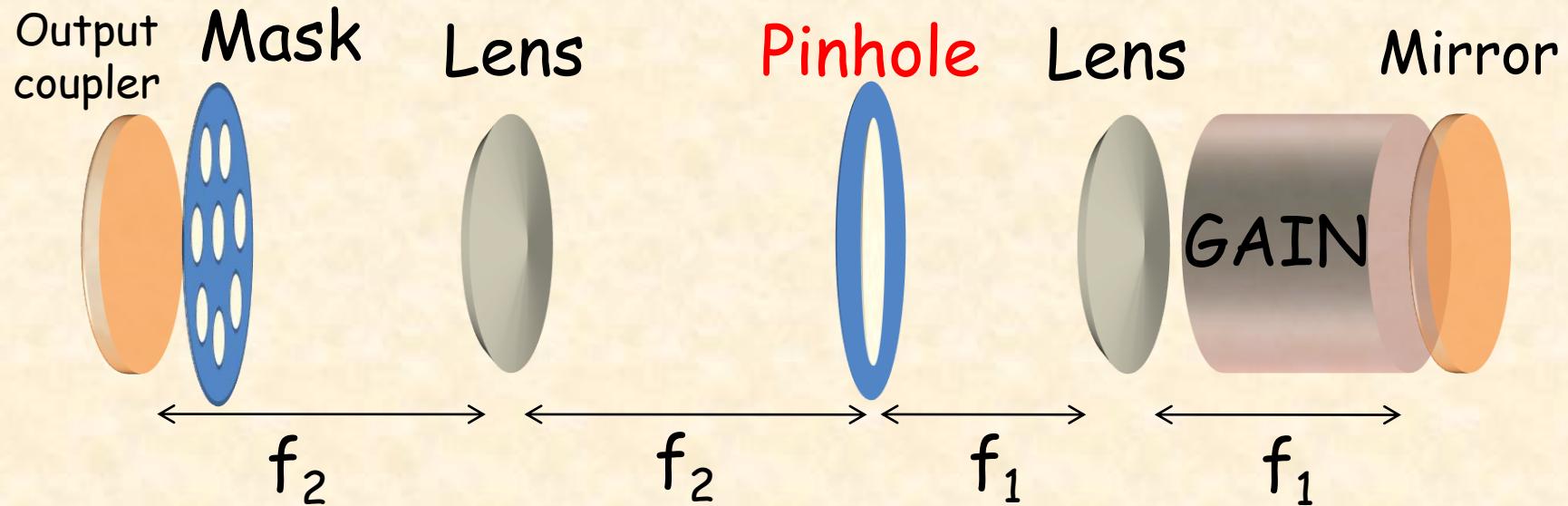
S. Strogatz et. al., Nature 438, 43 (2005)

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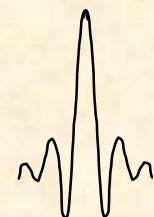
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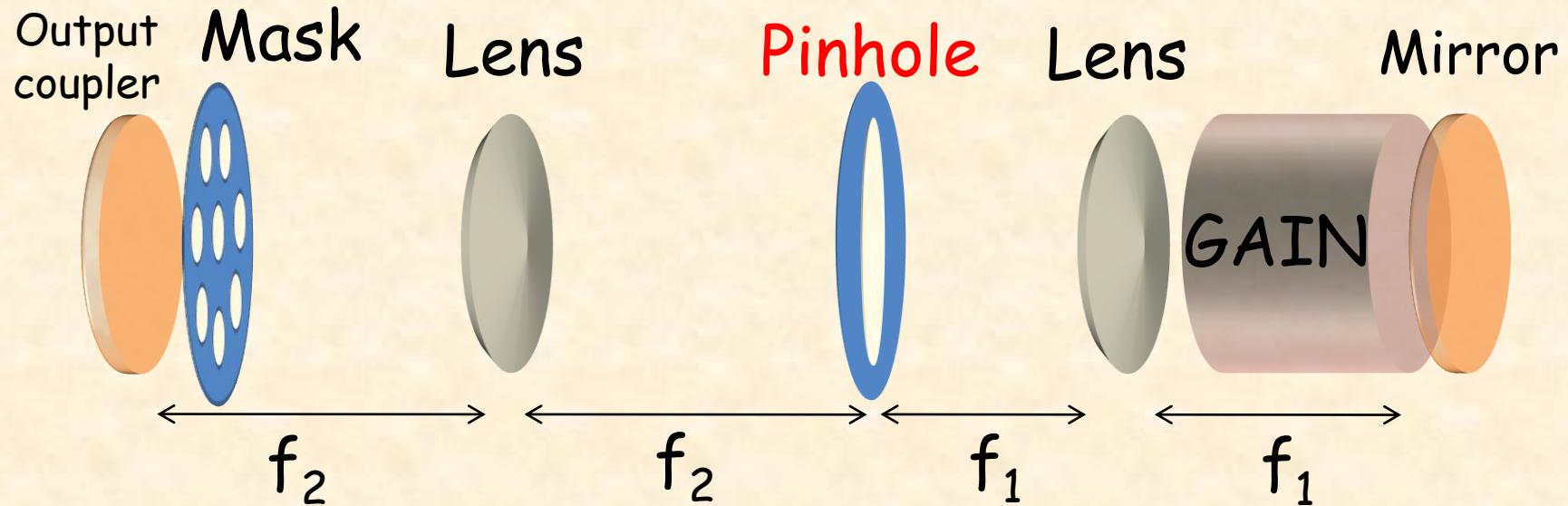
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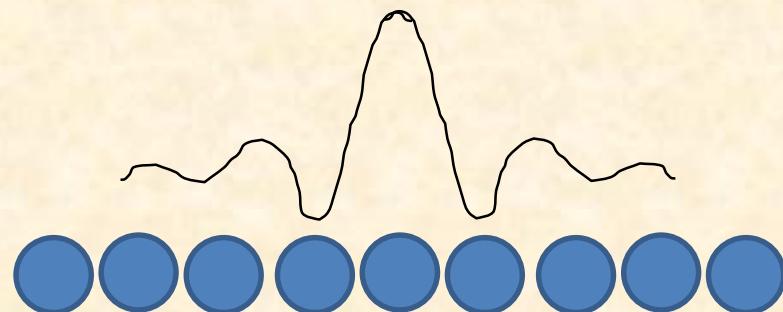
no coupling



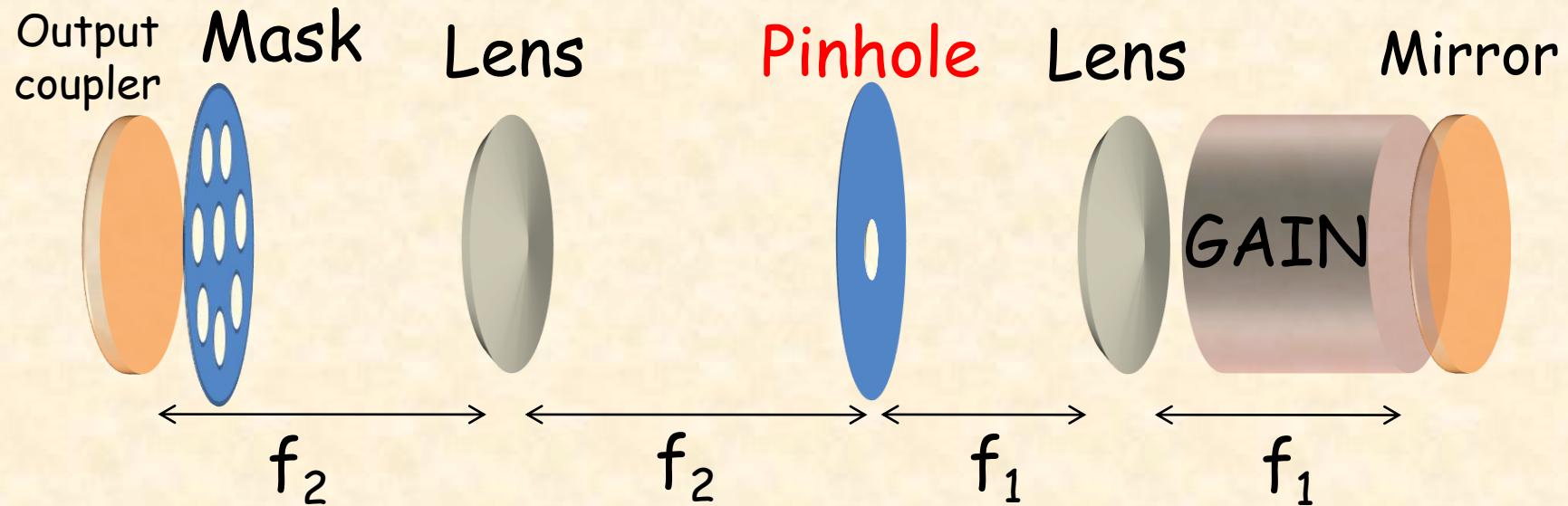
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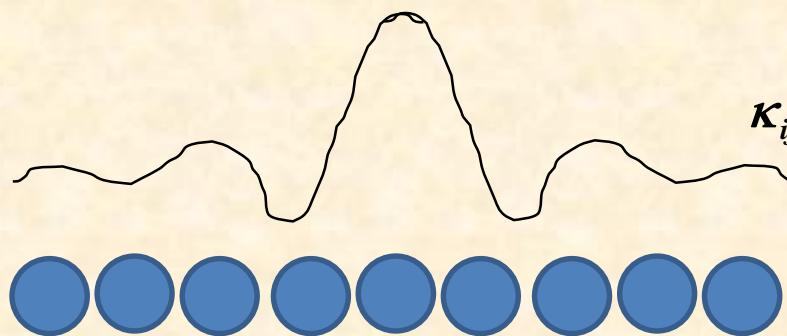
negative coupling



Long range coupling



Incommensurate coupling: spin glass



Long range coupling

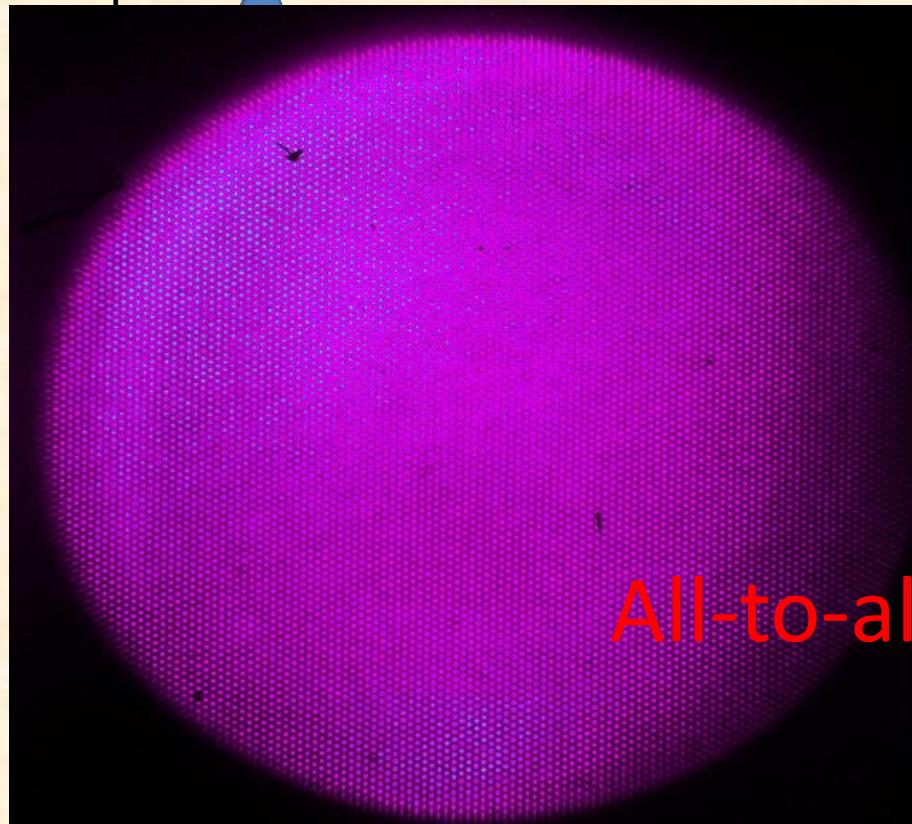
Output
coupler

Mask

Lens

Pinhole

Lens

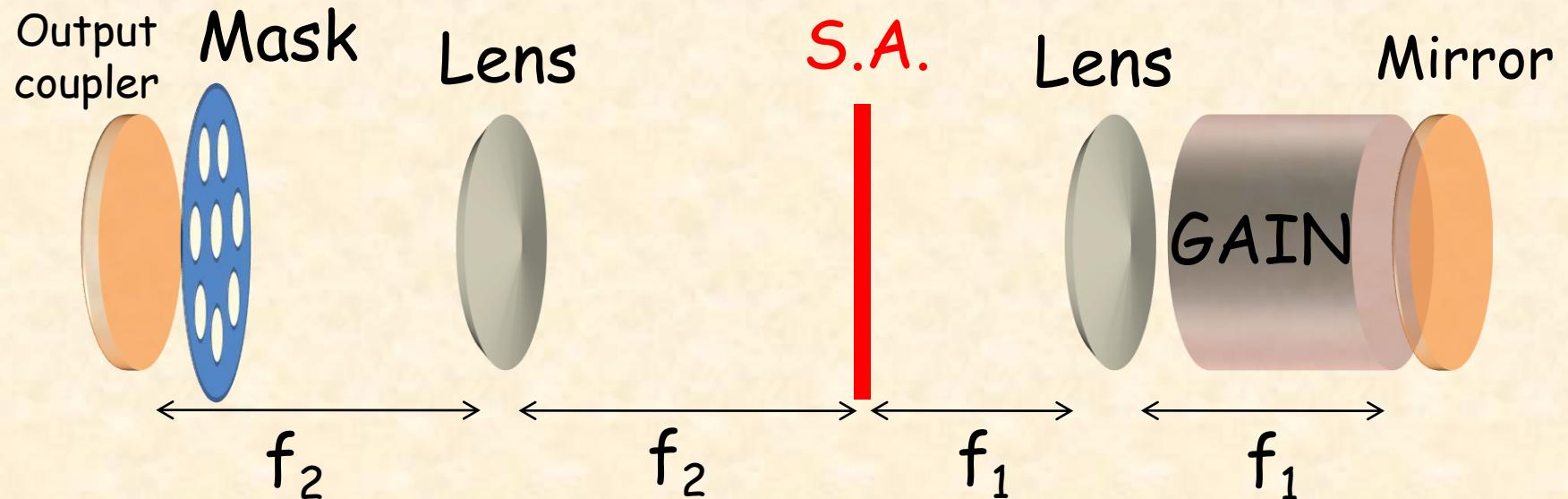


All-to-all coupling

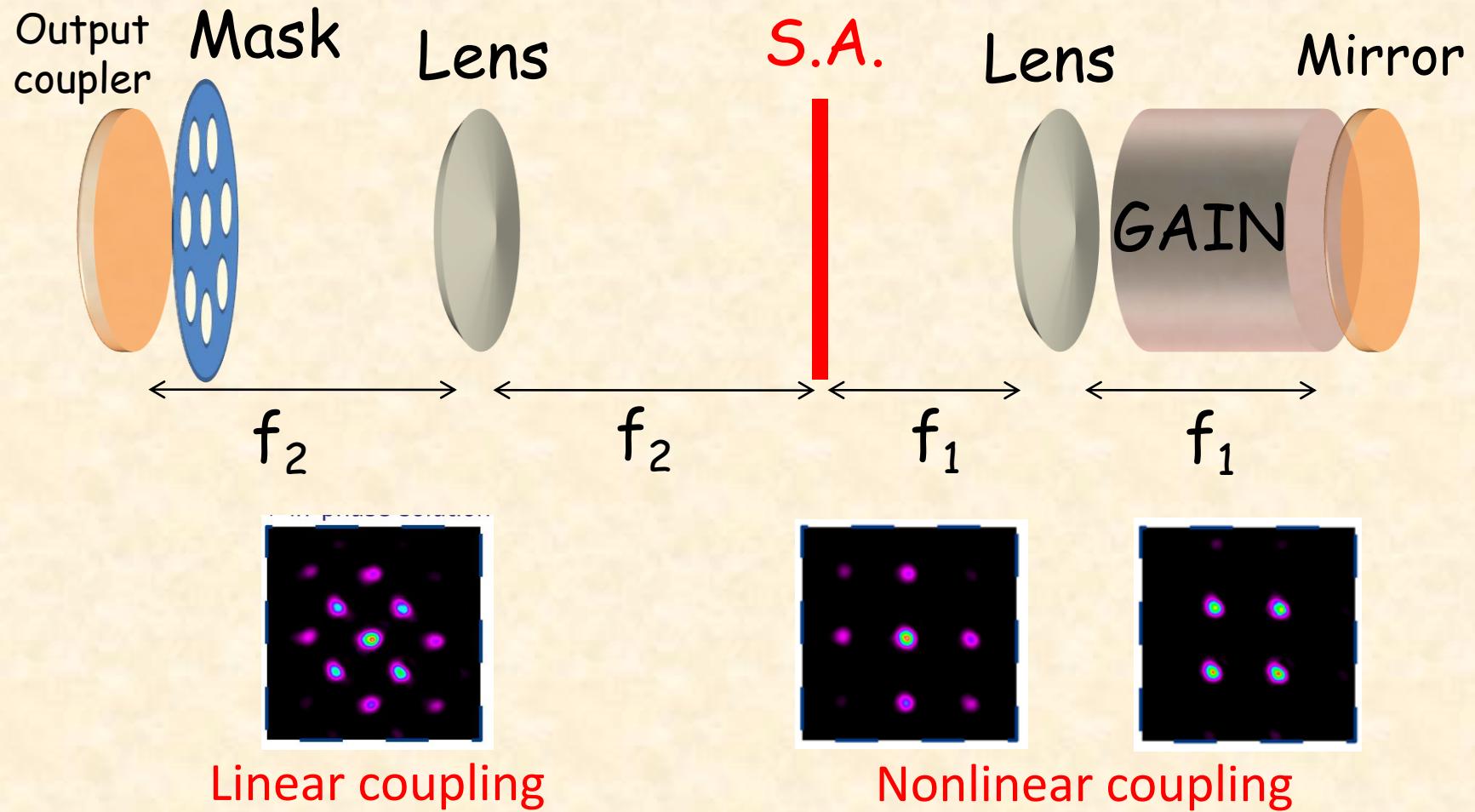
5,000 laser locked



Nonlinear coupling

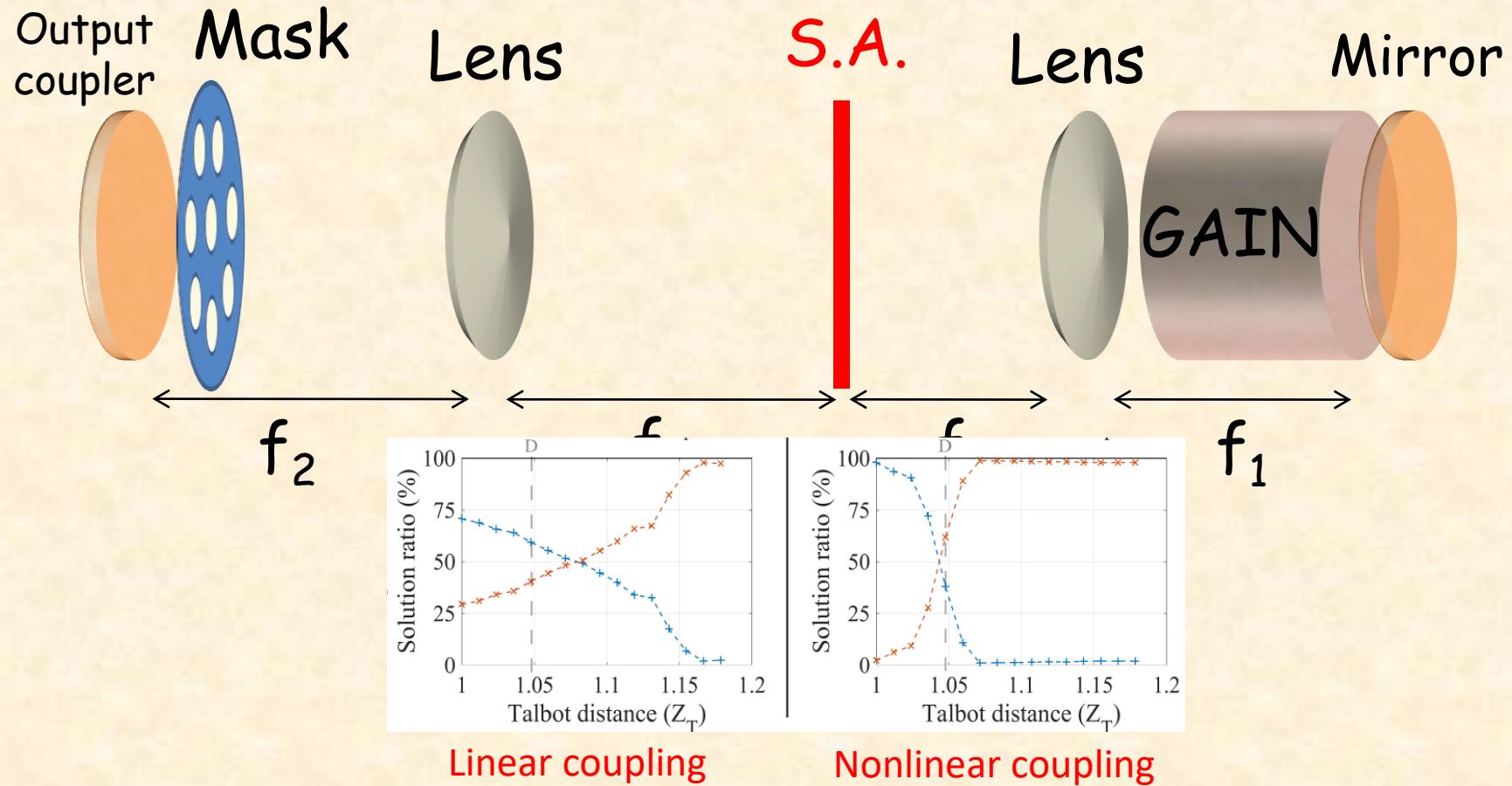


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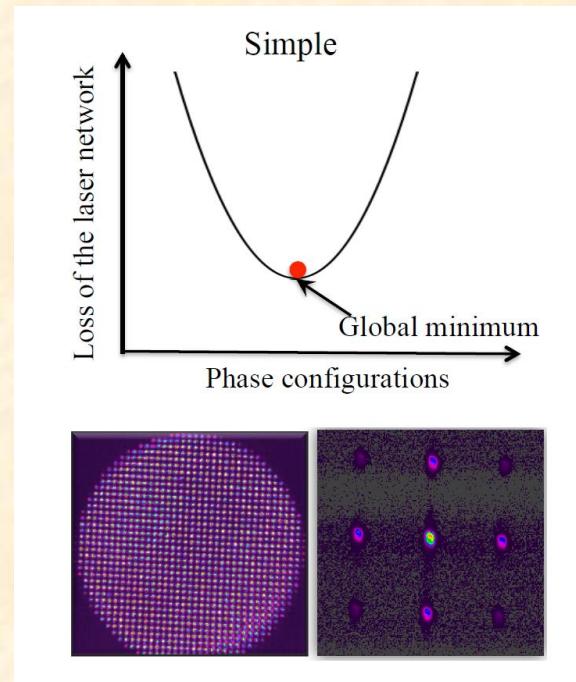
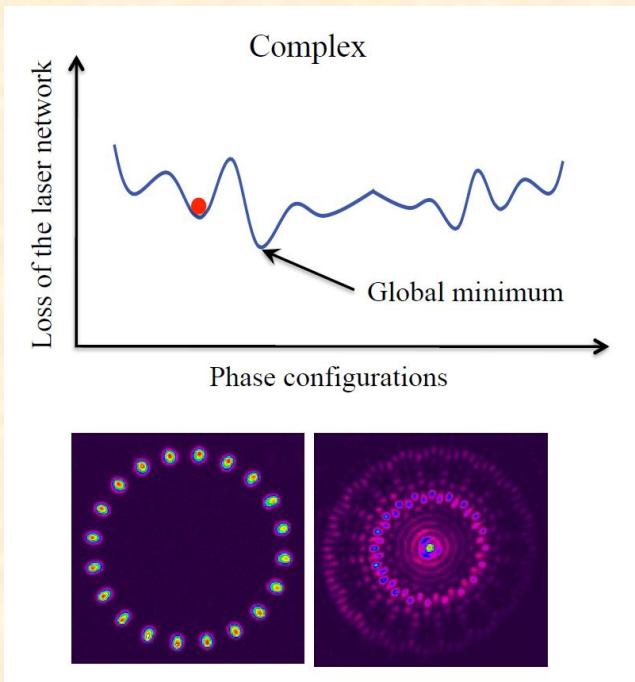
All longitudinal modes choose same solution

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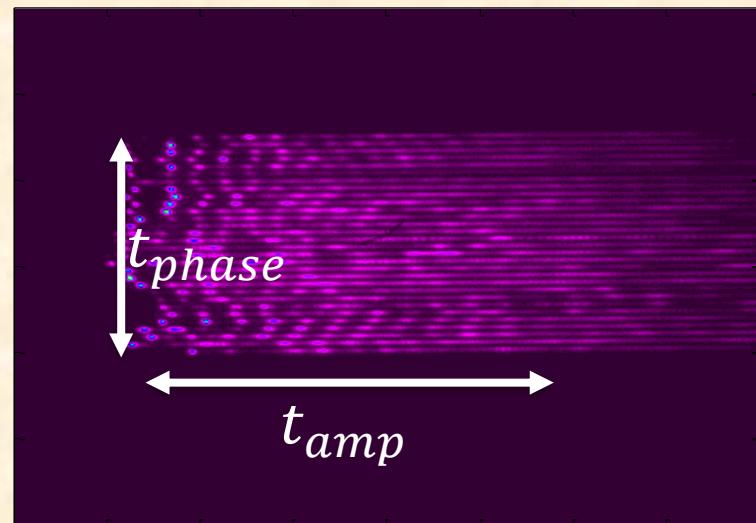
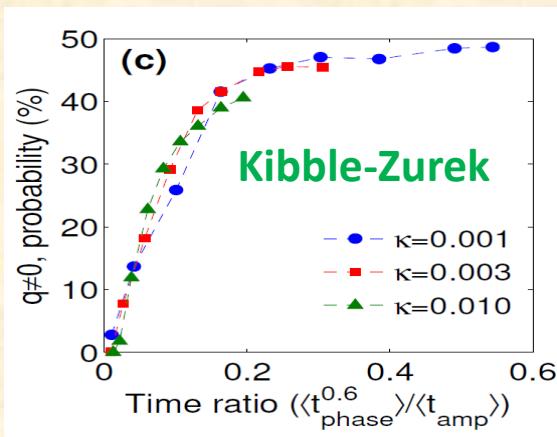
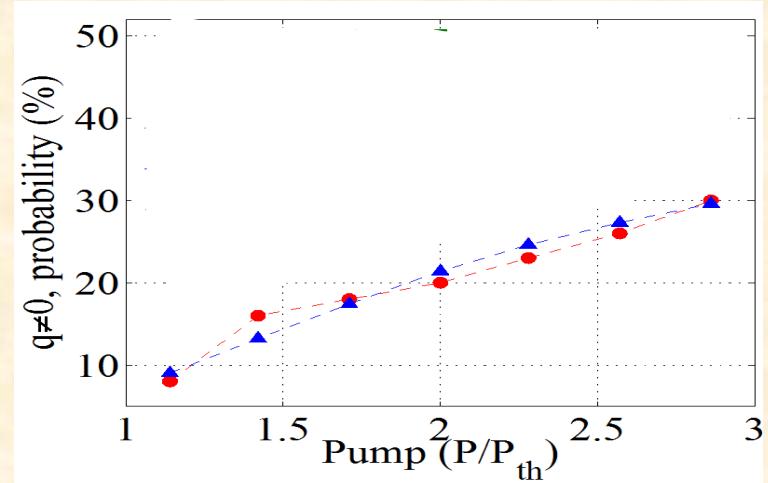
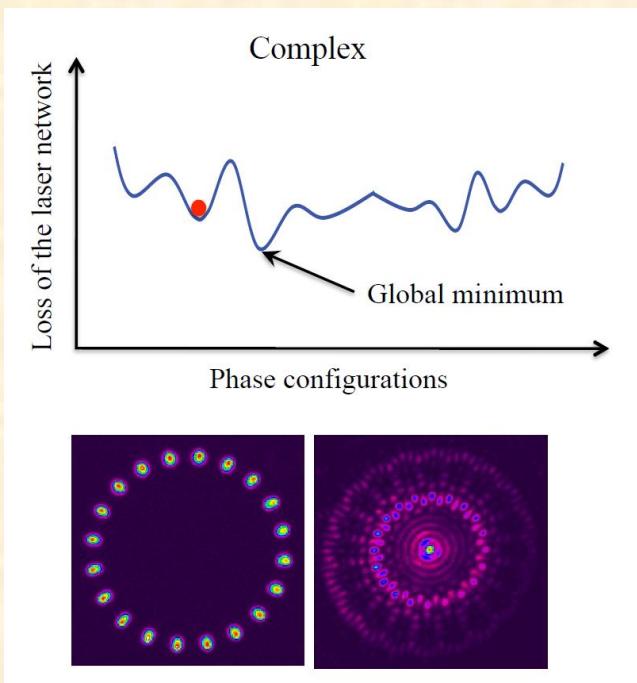


× 25 better distinguish near-degenerate solution

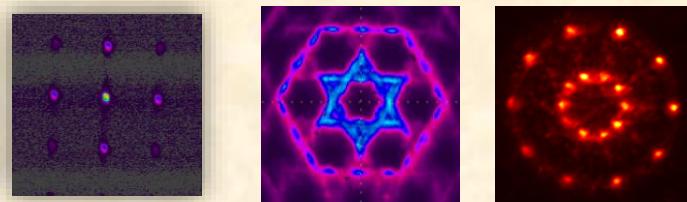
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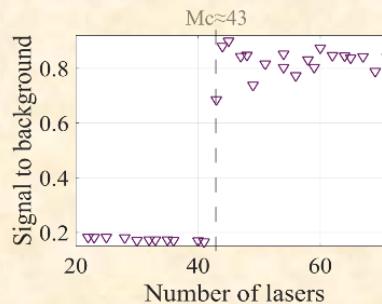
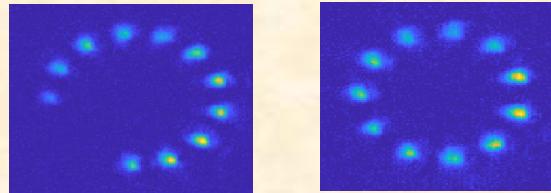
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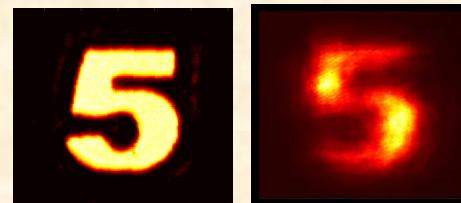
- ✓ Simulating XY spins



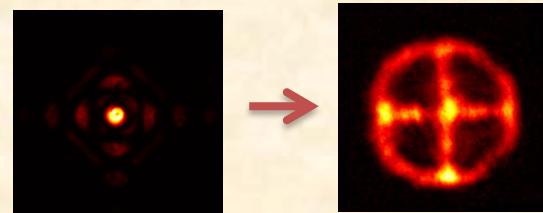
- ✓ Topology + KZ



- ✓ Crowd synchrony



- ✓ Imaging through tissue



- ✓ Inverse phase reconstruction