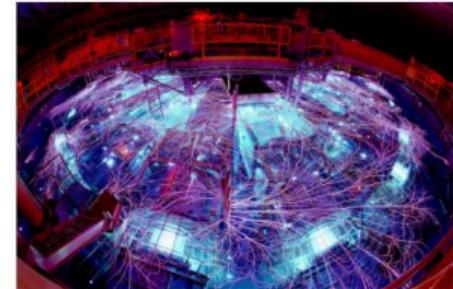


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# Design of an Experimental Platform for In-Situ Single Quantum Emitter Detection

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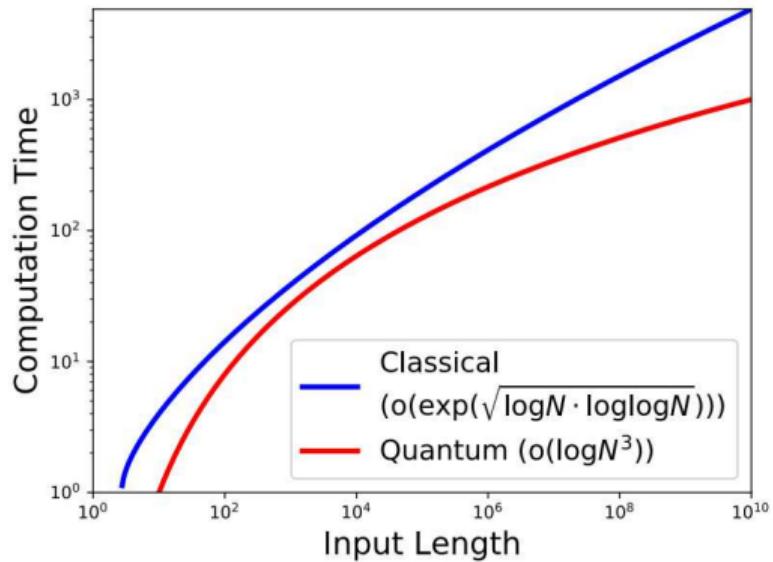
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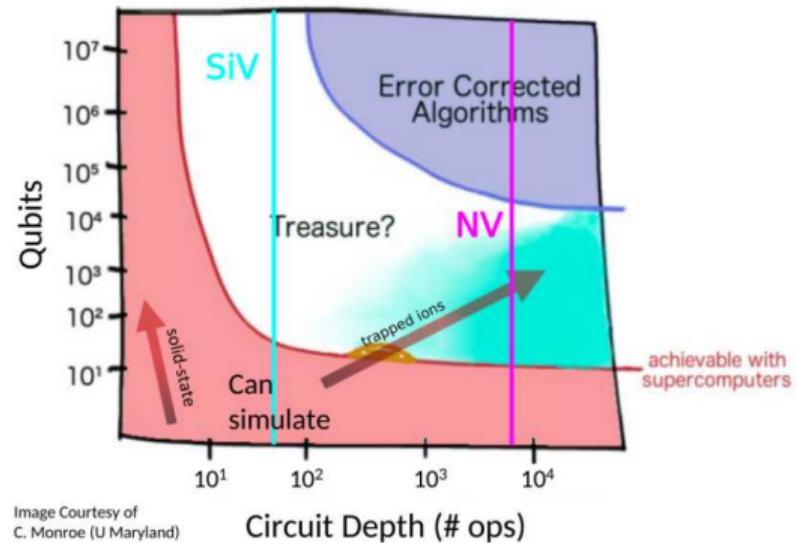
# Advantages of Quantum Computing

- Potential for easily breaking current encryption
- Critical speedup of computationally hard problems



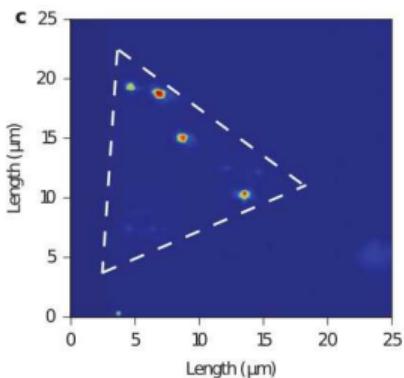
# The (still current) Challenge of Quantum Computing

- Many qubits are needed, but at the same time long coherence times are required
- Solid state systems ideal candidate for high qubit density
  - Single color centers (defect or donor) in wide-bandgap materials: Potential for high-density and long coherence time



# Deterministic Placement of Single-Quantum Emitters

- Coherent single photons are essential for transmitting quantum information
  - Single quantum emitters (SQE) are a source of coherent photons
- Currently SQE are mostly found, not made in samples
- To unlock the potential of SQE in solid state systems deterministic placement of SQE is necessary
  - Too close, interaction is too strong
  - Too far apart, hard to entangle

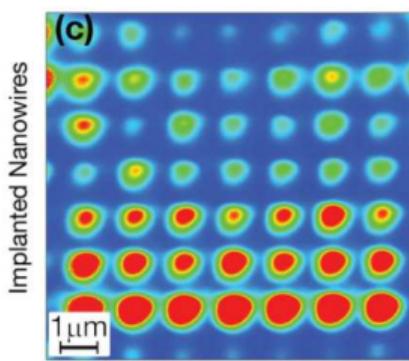
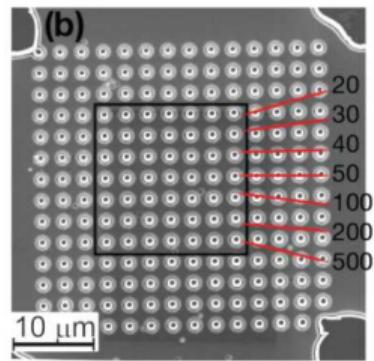


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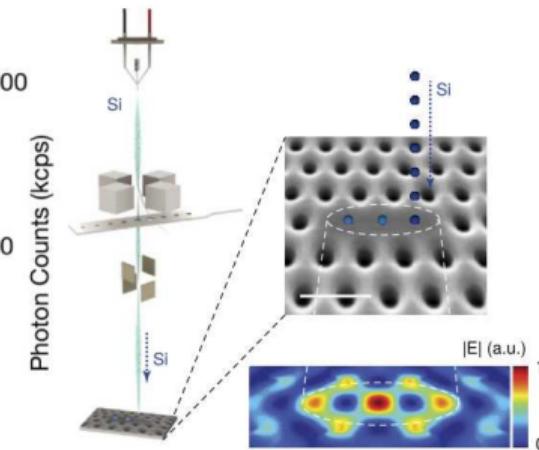
Focused ion beams allow precise (< 40 nm) implantation of defects in virtually any material and donors in materials such as diamond

# Focused Ion Beams as a Route to Deterministic SQE Placement

- Focused Ion Beams (FIB) have focal spot sizes in the 10s of nm range



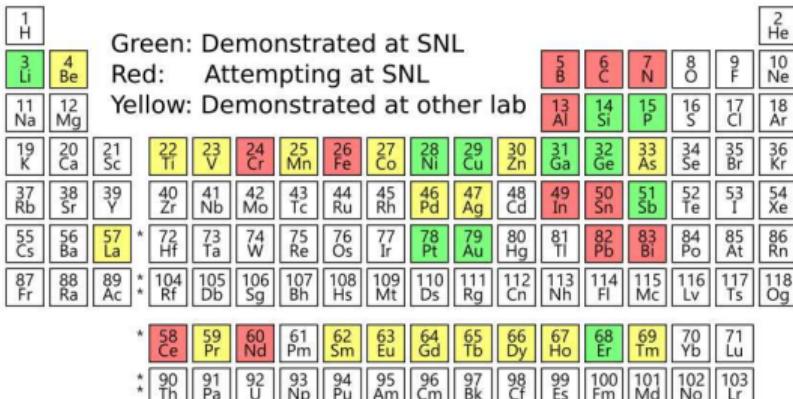
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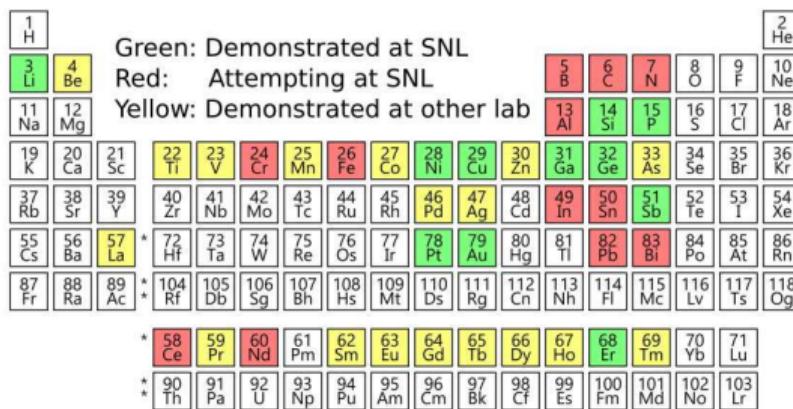
# Focused Ion Beams from the nanolimplanter

- 100 kV accelerator using liquid metal alloy ion sources
- Access to ion species from approx. 1/3rd the periodic table



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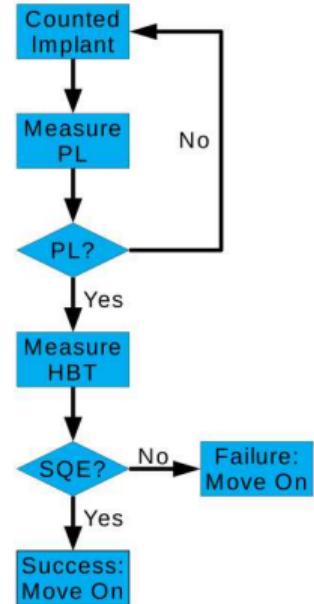
- Prior work has done timed and in-situ counted implantation but has not yet checked for in-situ SQE behaviour



BUT: None of this tells us if we have a SQE or not until after the fact

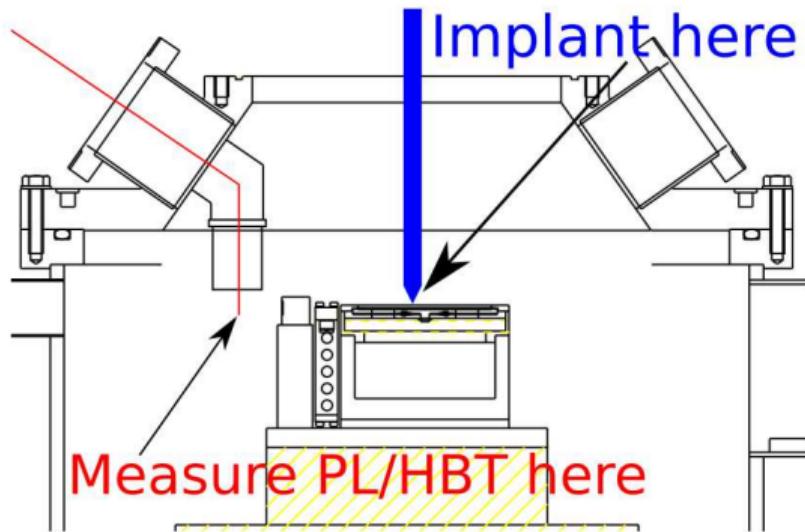
# In-Situ Photoluminescence Detection for SQE Measurement

- Add a photoluminescence (PL) setup to the FIB column
- Use PL and Hanbury-Brown-Twiss (HBT) measurement to unambiguously determine SQE creation
- Implant, then check for PL immediately, if PL is visible, check for SQE with HBT
- Keep implanting until a SQE has been generated at the implant location, determined by HBT result



# Design of the Custom In-Situ Microscope

- Microscope objective in vacuum chamber for in-situ PL detection
- z-axis movement to adjust for different focus of ion beam and optical microscope

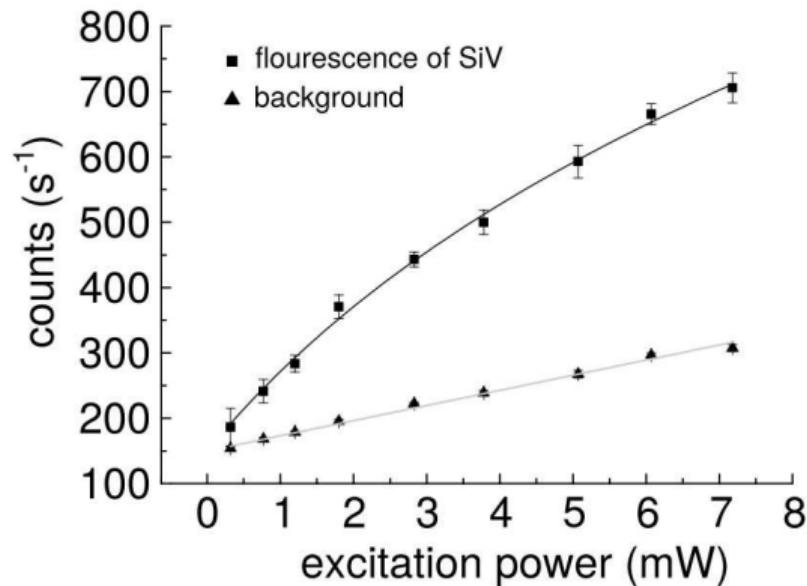


# How Much Signal Can We Expect?

- Overall detection efficiency is estimated to be  $\approx 10\%$

| Component | Efficiency |
|-----------|------------|
| BS Cube   | 45 %       |
| Objective | 80 %       |
| NA        | 35 %       |
| Dichroic  | 95 %       |

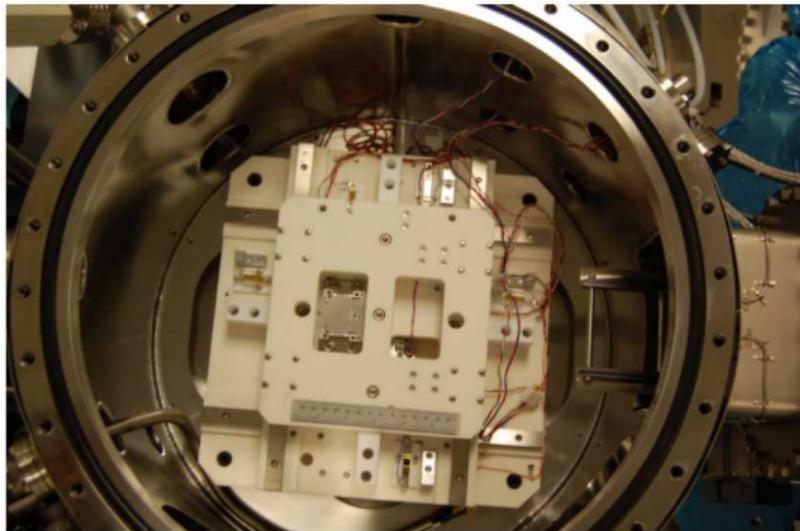
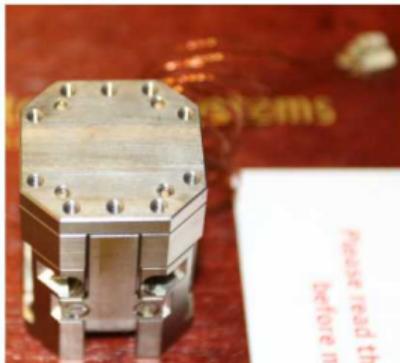
- To get  $\geq 10^6$  cps, use  $\geq 1$  mW pump laser
  - Expected count rates from literature:  $1 - 5 \times 10^5$  cps with 1 mW



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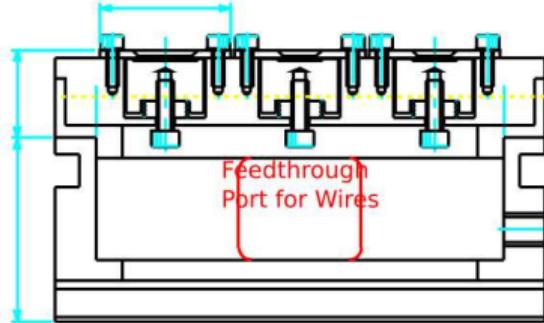
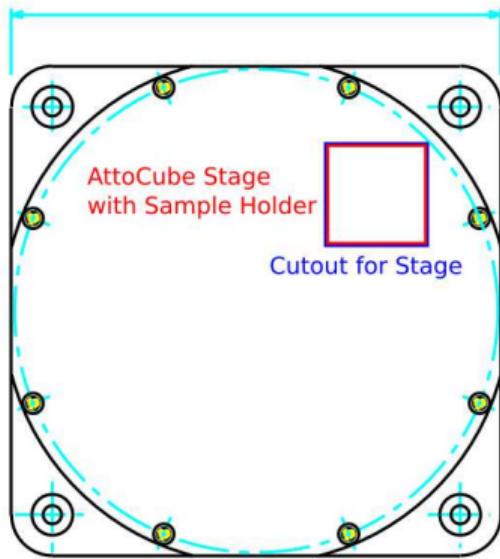


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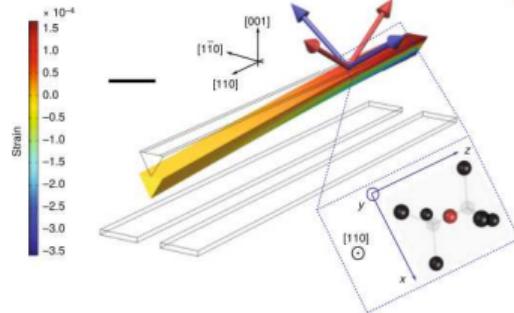


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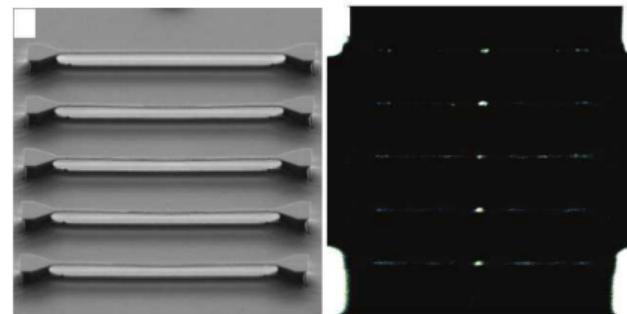
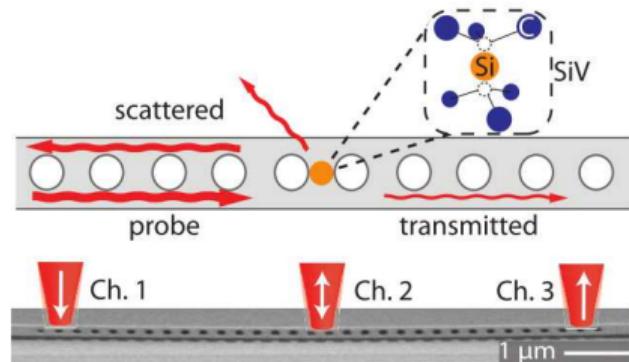


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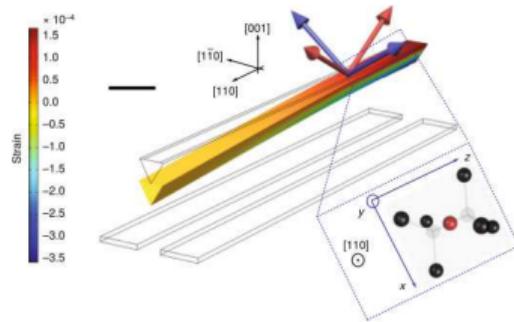


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- Currently silicon implantation into diamond is of limited use since the yield for optically active defect centers is low
  - Use the in-situ PL microscope on the nanolimplanter to deterministically create optically active defect centers with high resolution

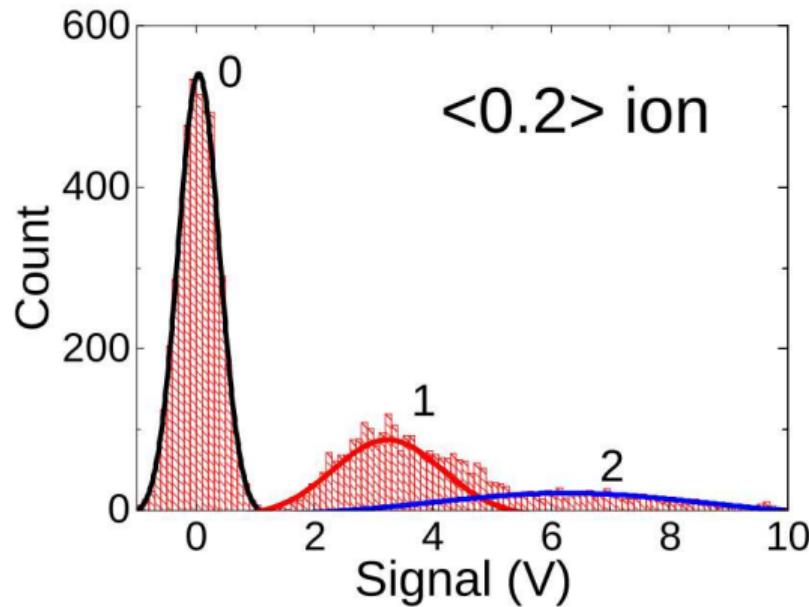


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# Counted Implantation

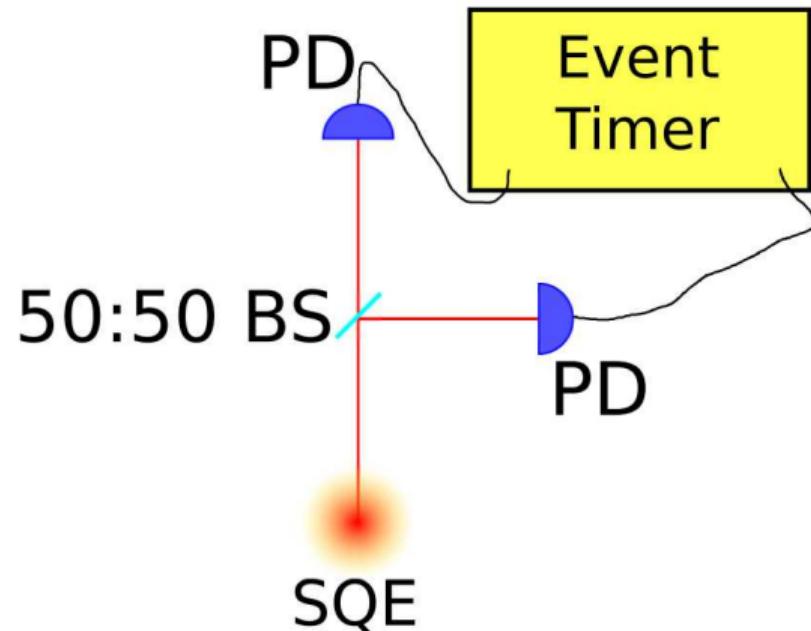
- Requires wire bondpads next to implantation region
- Does not confirm that implanted region is emitting light
- Problems arise with Si implantation into diamond where yield is only approx. 3%
  - Use SiC for testing of the microscope where yield is 10 – 20%, then move on to diamond



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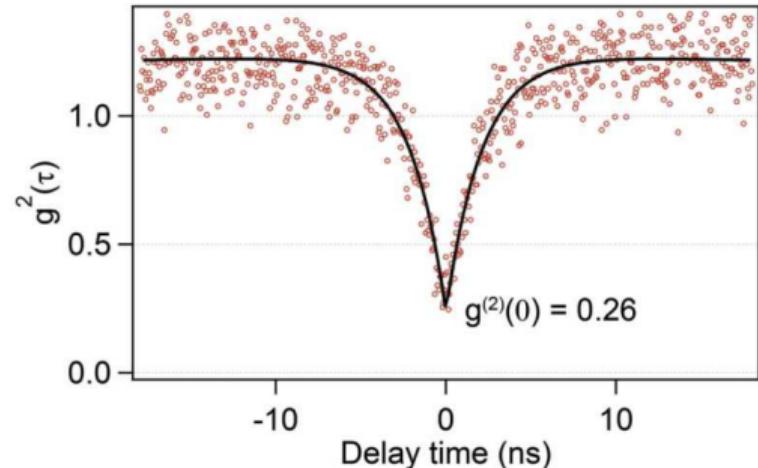
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