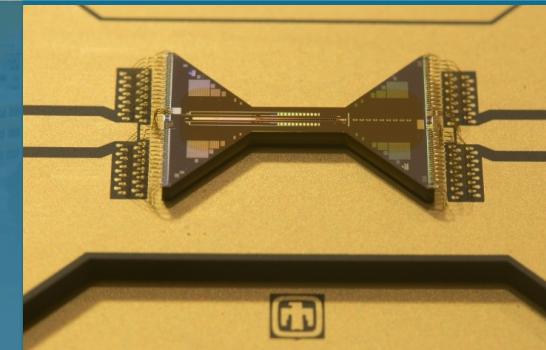
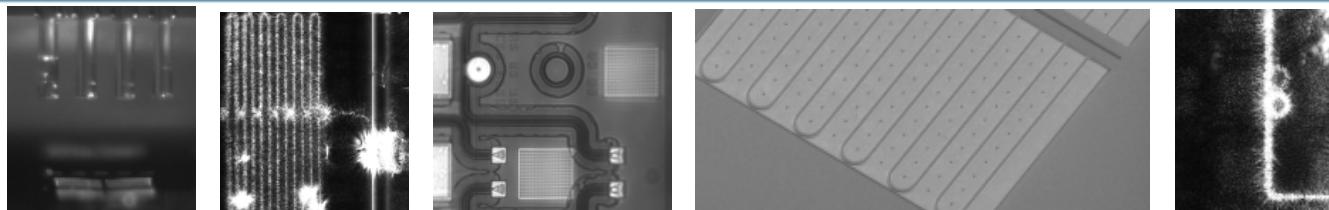




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Microfabricated Piezo-Optomechanical Switches for Trapped Ion Quantum Computing



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Optical modulator design

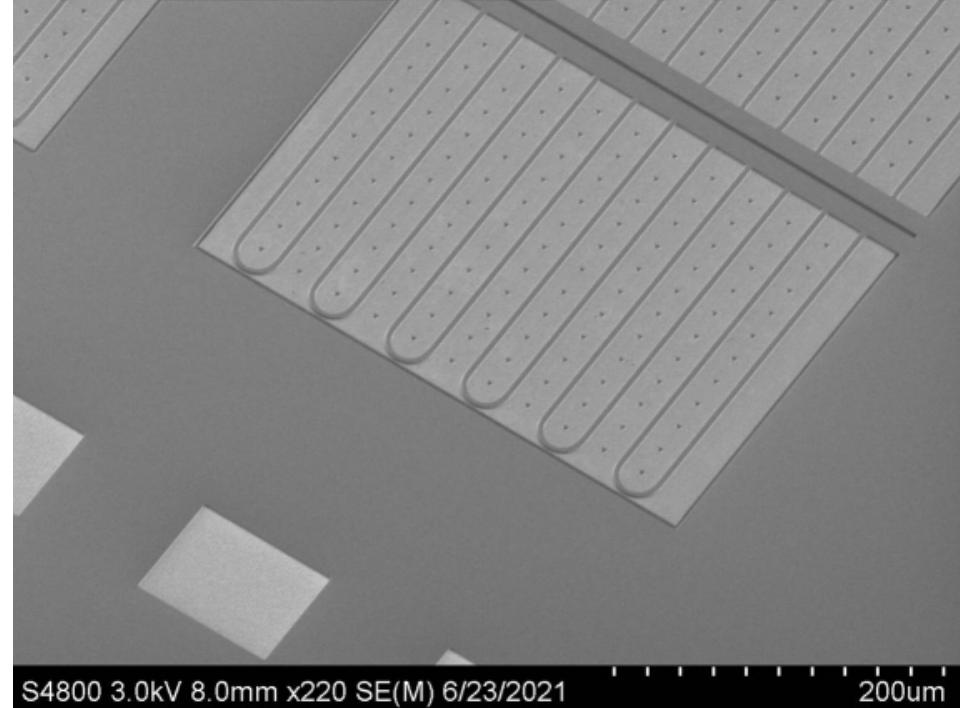
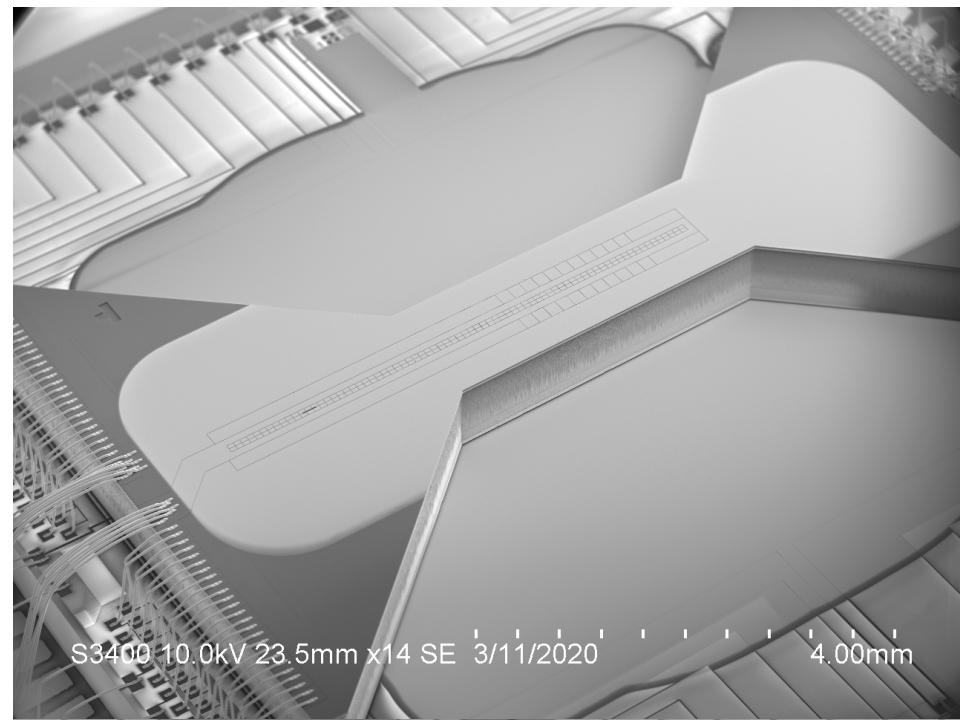
CMOS compatible – integrable with current surface ion trap fabrication techniques

Fast response times – operate in the μs timescales of gate times

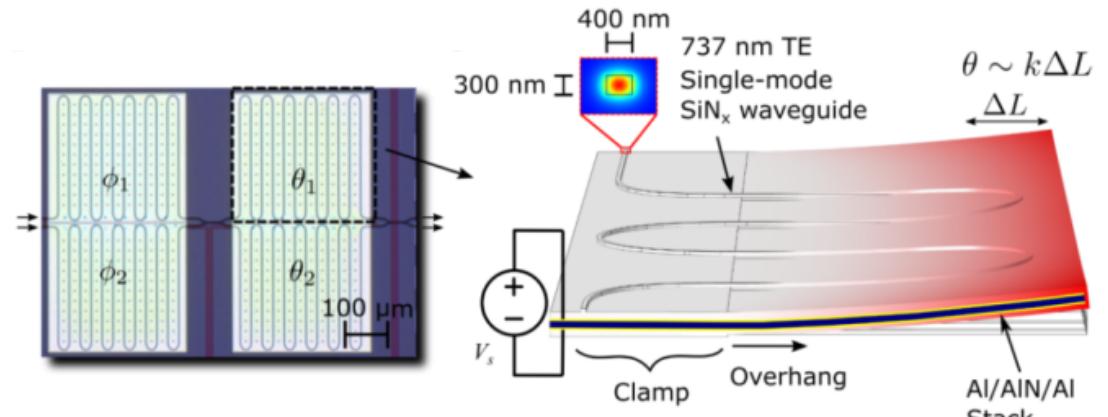
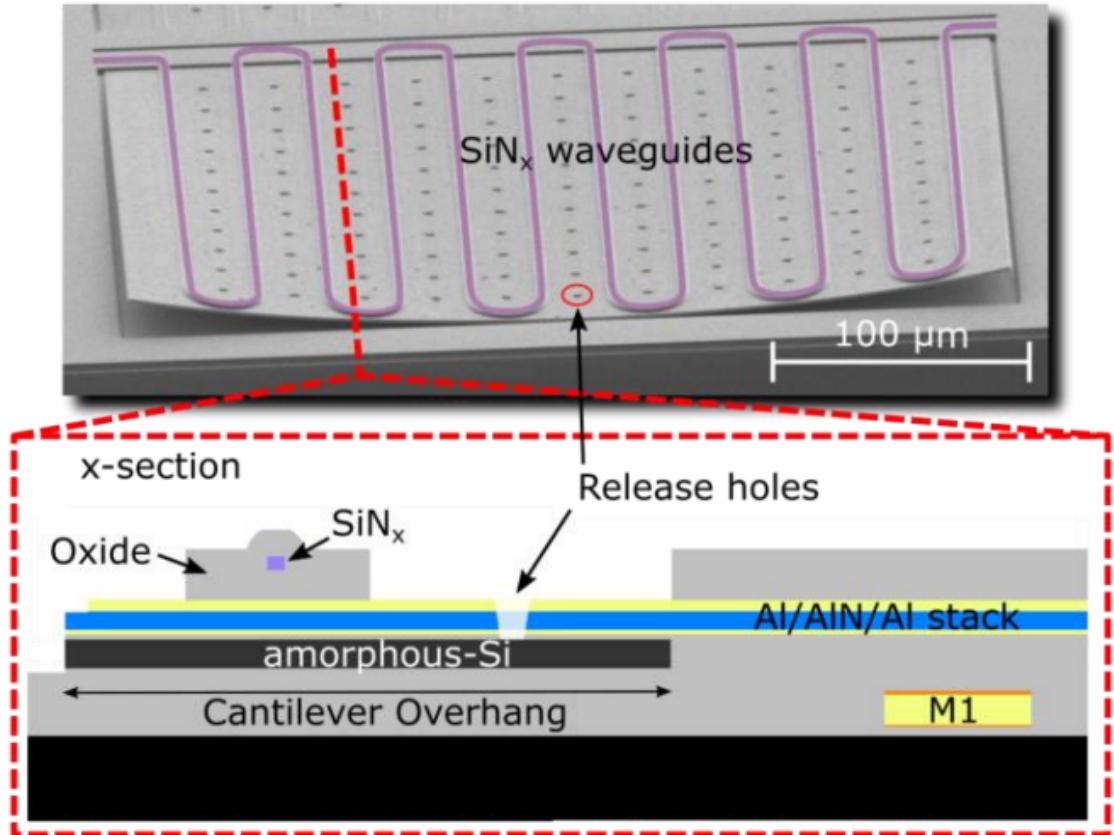
Low voltage requirements – desire control limiting to $\sim 10\text{ V}$

Small form factor – fabricate many modulators on the same ion trap

Extinction factor – current modulation techniques set a high standard for full light extinction

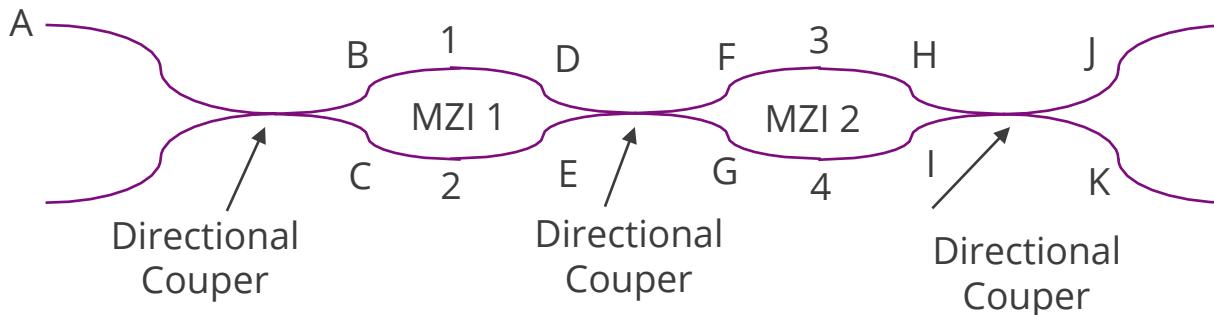


Cantilevered Mach-Zehnder interferometers



A cascaded Mach-Zehnder interferometer relies on phase control over one arm of the interferometer relative to the other to produce constructive interference at the output port. A serpanted waveguide is flexed by a piezo-actuated material.

Analytical Mach-Zehnder Interferometer Calculations



For a given input port, A, the splitting ratio is quantified by T_n , where through-port gets $\sqrt{T_n}$ of the field, and cross port gets $\sqrt{1 - T_n}$. For even splitting $T_n = 1/2$. Field after first directional coupler is

$$B = \sqrt{T_1}A \quad C = \sqrt{1 - T_1}Ae^{i\pi/2}$$

After propagating through their respective arms, the fields arrive at D and E with an accumulated phase φ_m

$$D = Be^{i\varphi_1} \quad E = Ce^{i\varphi_2}$$

Recombination at the second uneven directional coupler results in

$$F = \sqrt{T_2}D + \sqrt{1 - T_2}Ee^{i\pi/2} \quad G = \sqrt{T_2}E + \sqrt{1 - T_2}De^{i\pi/2}$$

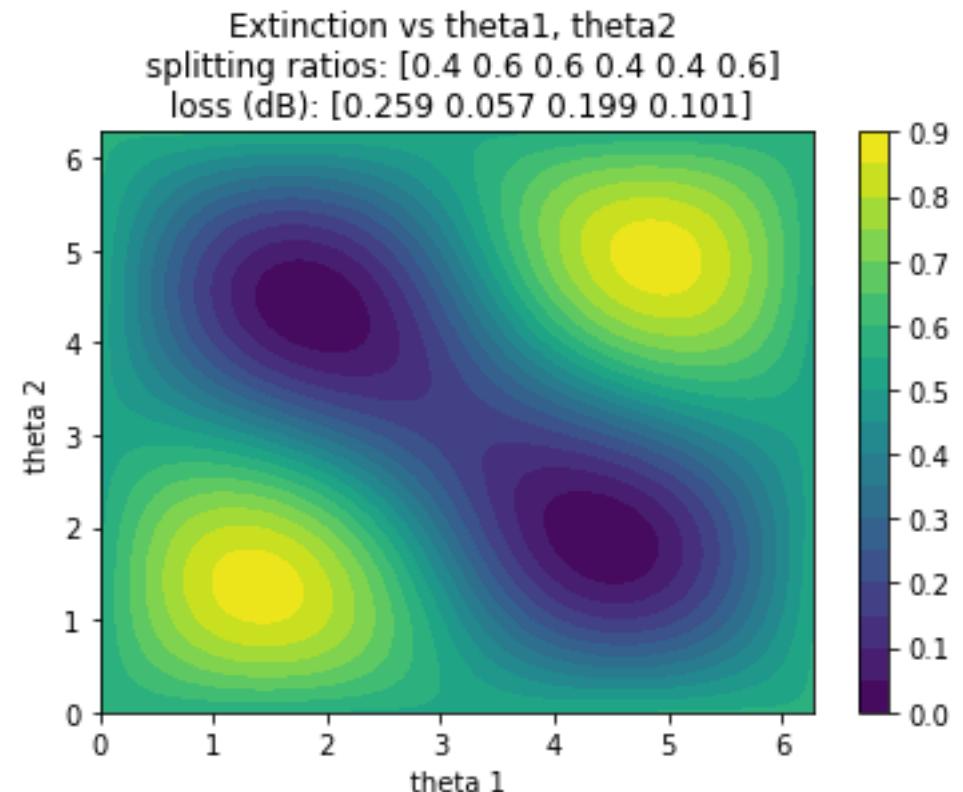
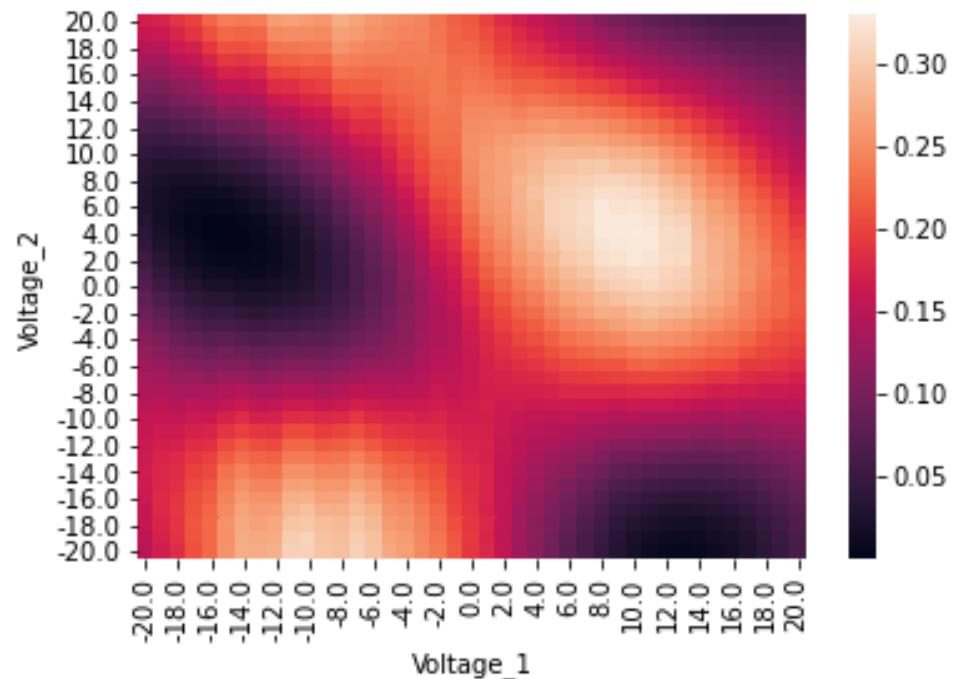
The process repeats

$$H = Fe^{i\varphi_3} \quad I = Ge^{i\varphi_4}$$

$$J = \sqrt{T_3}H + \sqrt{1 - T_3}Ie^{i\pi/2} \quad K = \sqrt{T_3}I + \sqrt{1 - T_3}He^{i\pi/2}$$

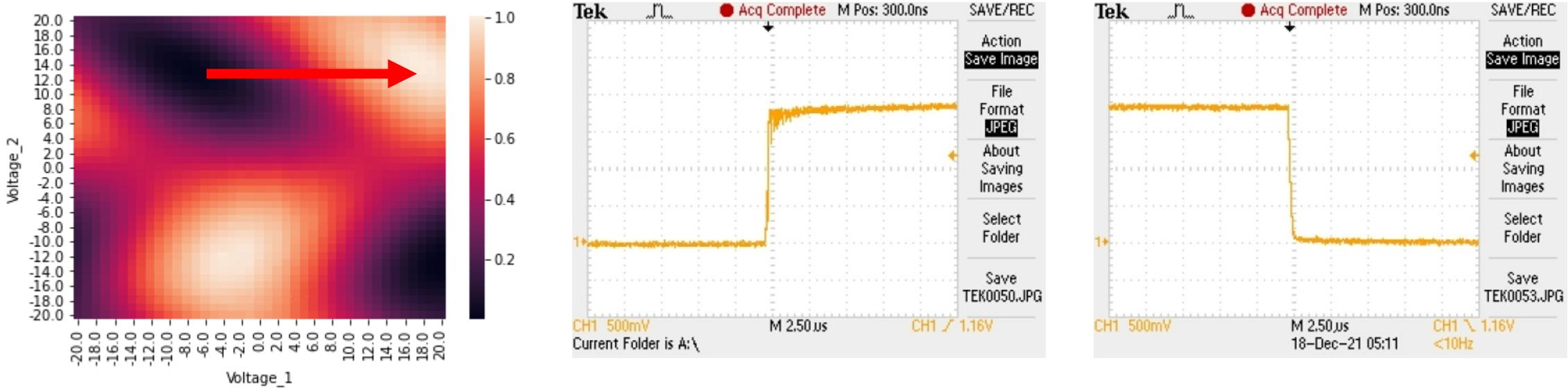
$$\frac{|J|^2}{|A|^2} = \left[a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2 - (ab)2 \cos(\theta_1) - (ac)2 \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2) - (ad)2 \cos(\theta_2) + (bc)2 \cos(\theta_2) + (bd)2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + (cd)2 \cos(\theta_1) \right]$$

Experimental results agree with analytic simulations



Analytic calculations take into account imperfections of the directional couplers and later included nonlinear effects relevant at higher powers. With moderate voltages we can demonstrate complete change in interference. This simulation proved useful in also understanding nonlinear effects as we went to higher throughput powers.

Using custom electronics for switching



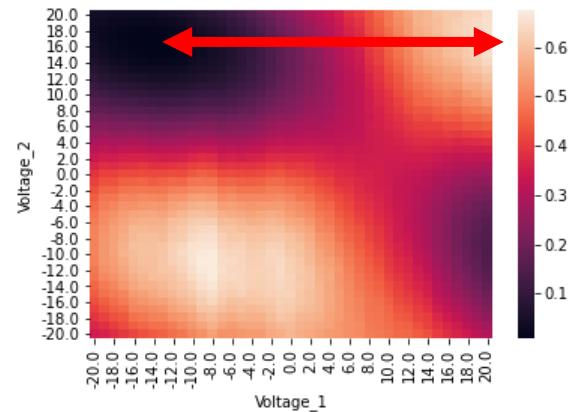
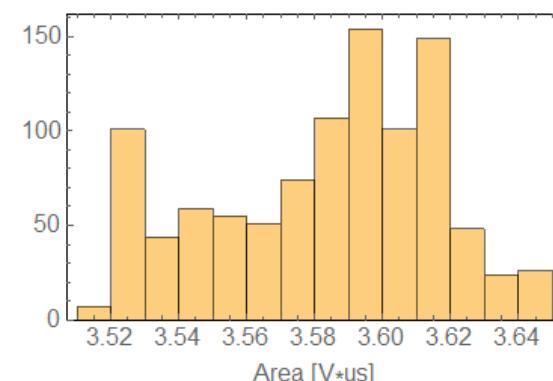
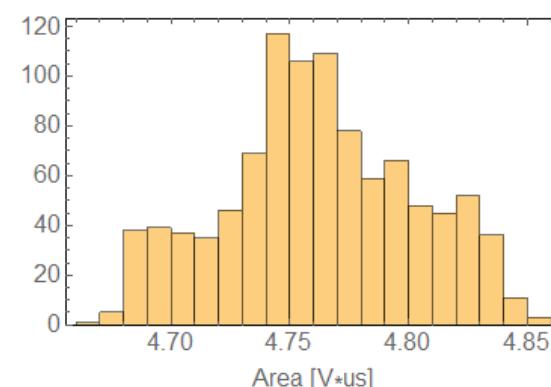
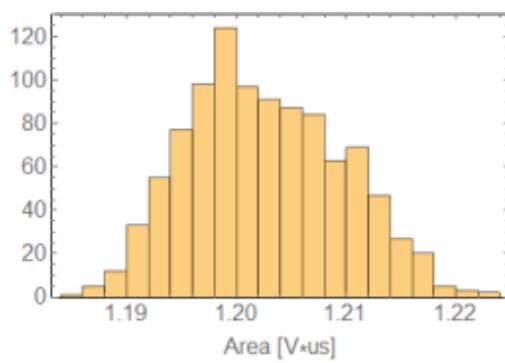
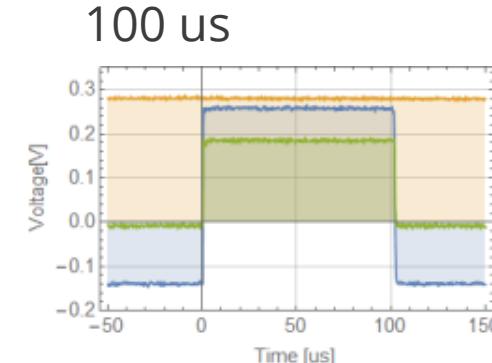
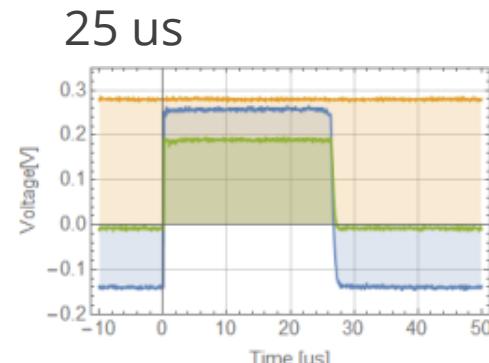
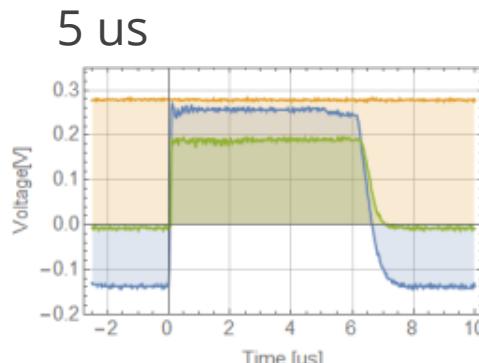
Switching is controlled by a custom mosfet switch where TTL signals from experimental control allows for a fast double poled switch.

Due to the low throughput of the device, gate times are limited to $>10 \mu\text{s}$. The noise appears to be reproducible and would not be a current limitation for testing.

Measuring switching performance



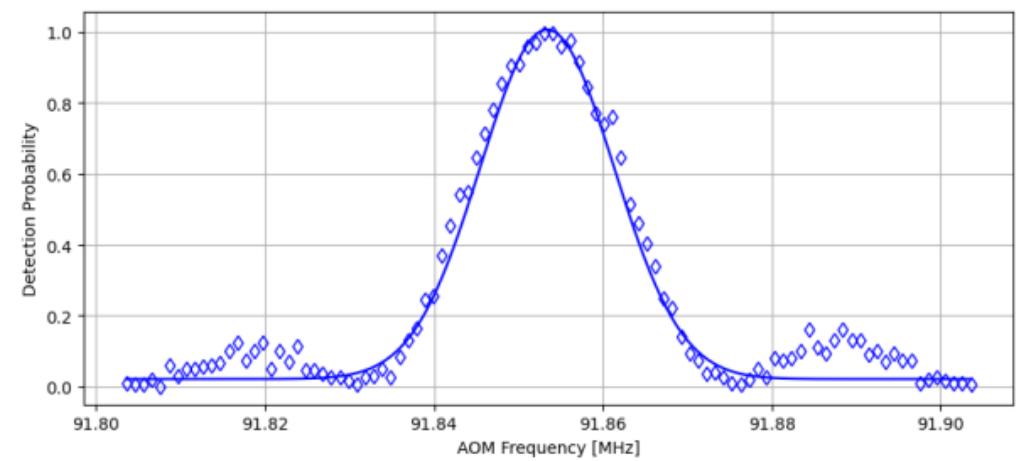
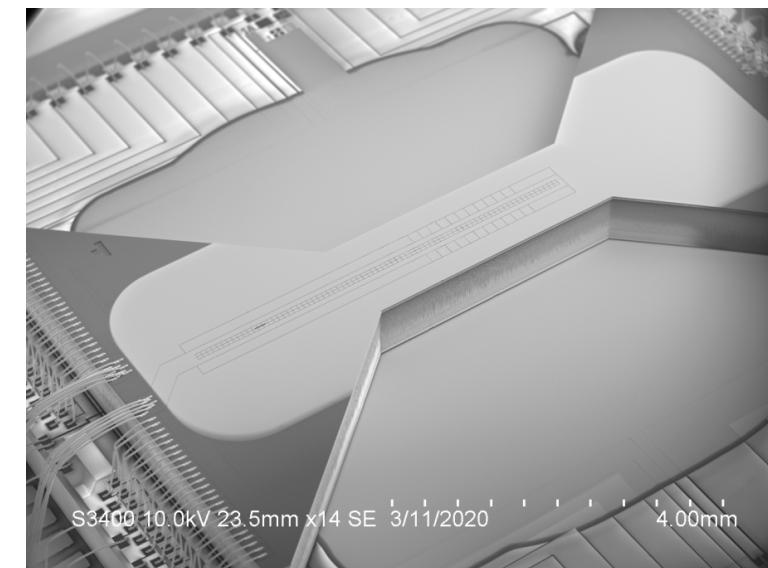
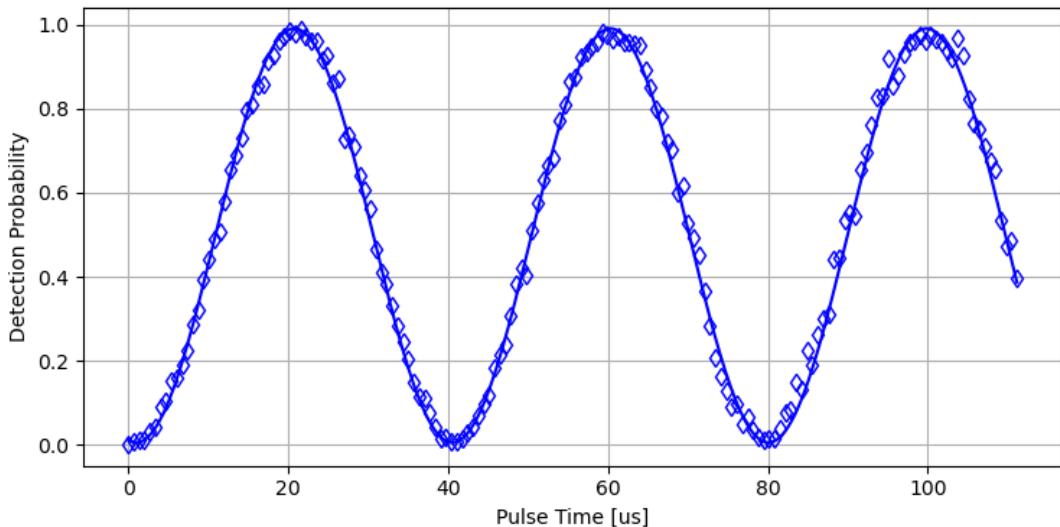
Measuring the pulse area of the switched light through the device to determine amount of noise introduced. Standard deviation of pulse area is less than 1% and may be dominated by technical noise



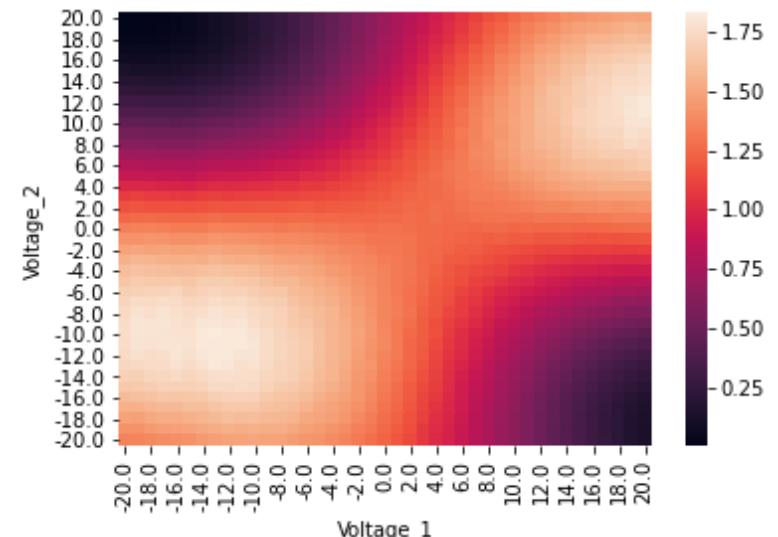
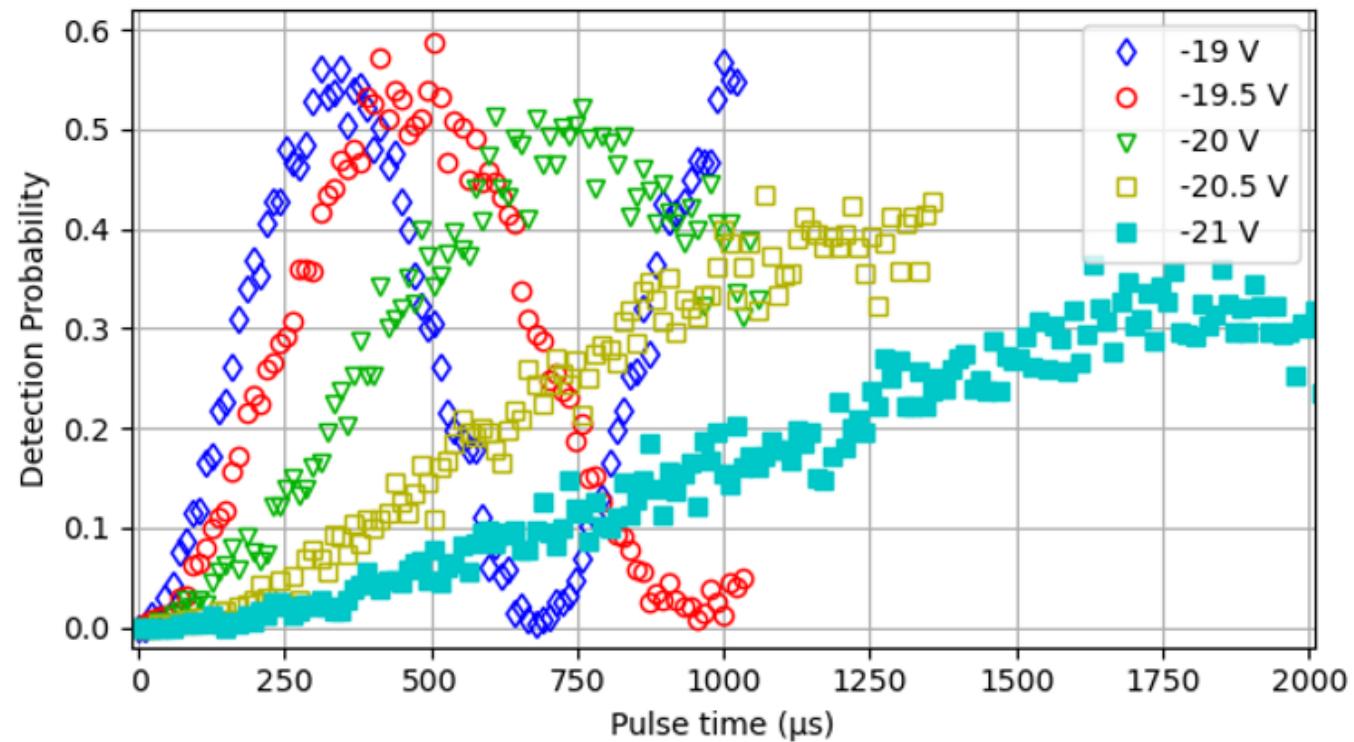
Light delivery to a trapped ion experiment



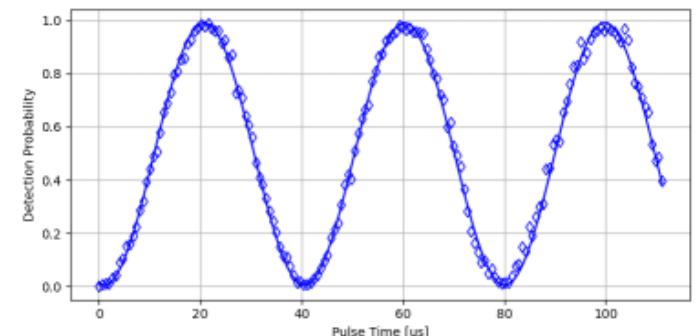
We are able to perform state preparation and Rabi flopping with only the MZI acting as the modulator on a $^{40}\text{Ca}^+$ ion. Note that a AOM is used to scan for the qubit transition but is not used for extinction during device characterization.



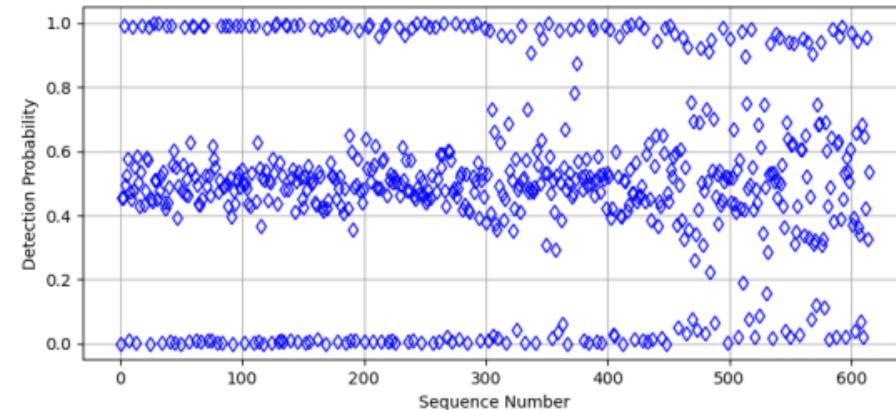
Trapped ions measuring extinction ratio



The ion allows for an accurate measurement of the leakage light from the off position (destructive interference) allows for a fine-tuning of the voltage control and has shown an extinction ratio > 38 dB.



Gate Set Tomography – Experimental Results



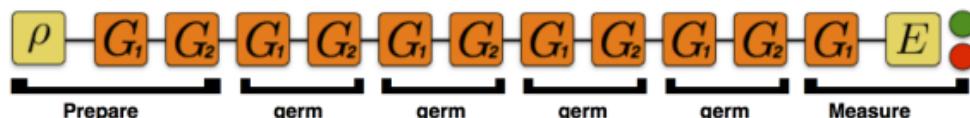
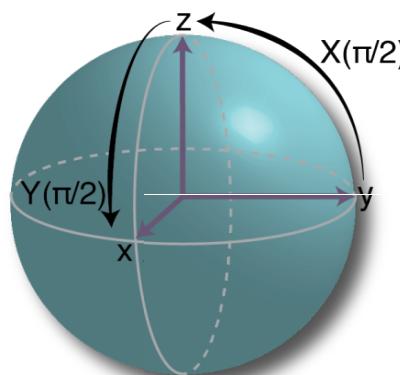
Gate	Entanglement Infidelity	1/2 Trace Distance
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Gxpi2:0	0.001899	0.034446
Gypi2:0	0.002016	0.034076

Fiducials:

Germs:

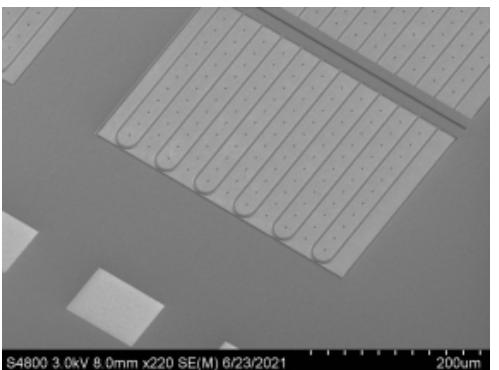
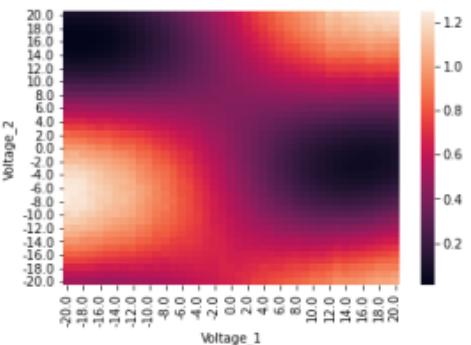
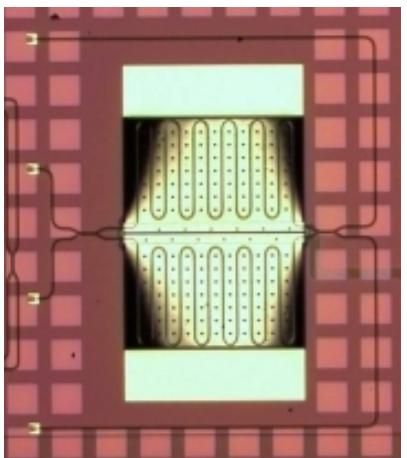
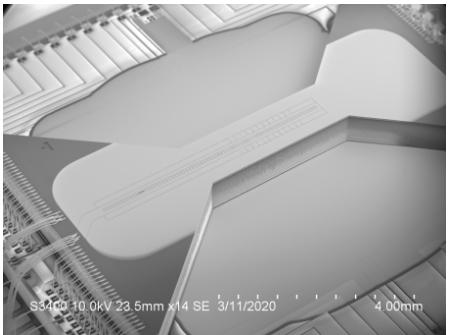
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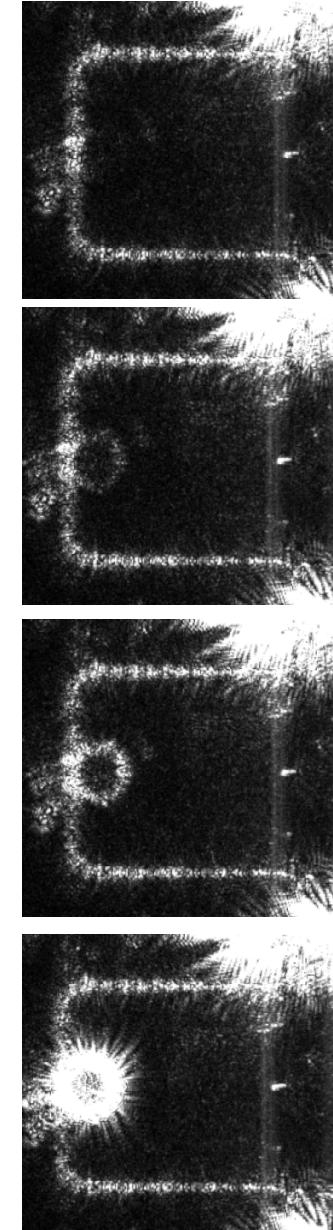
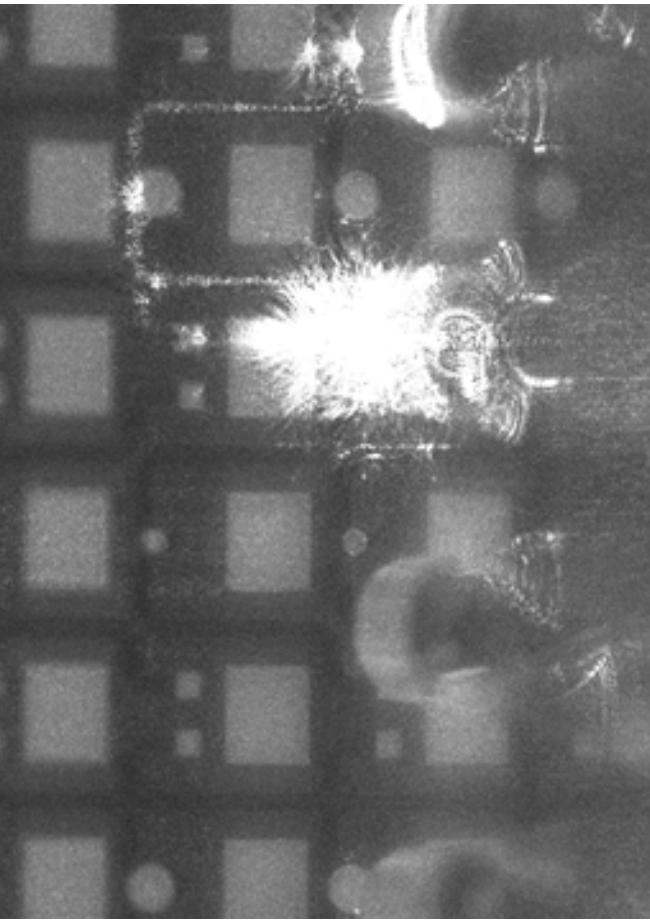
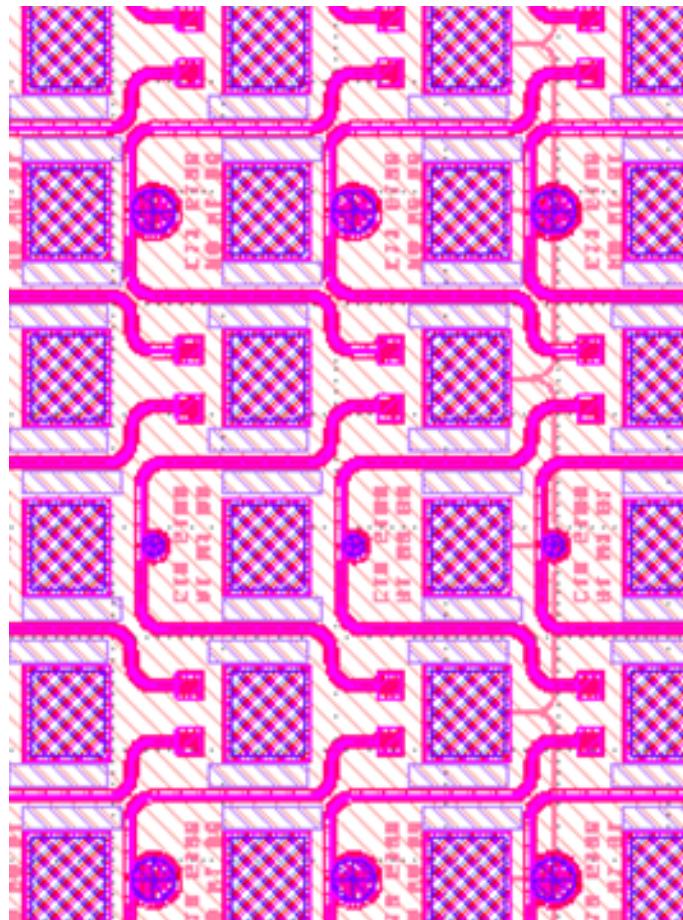
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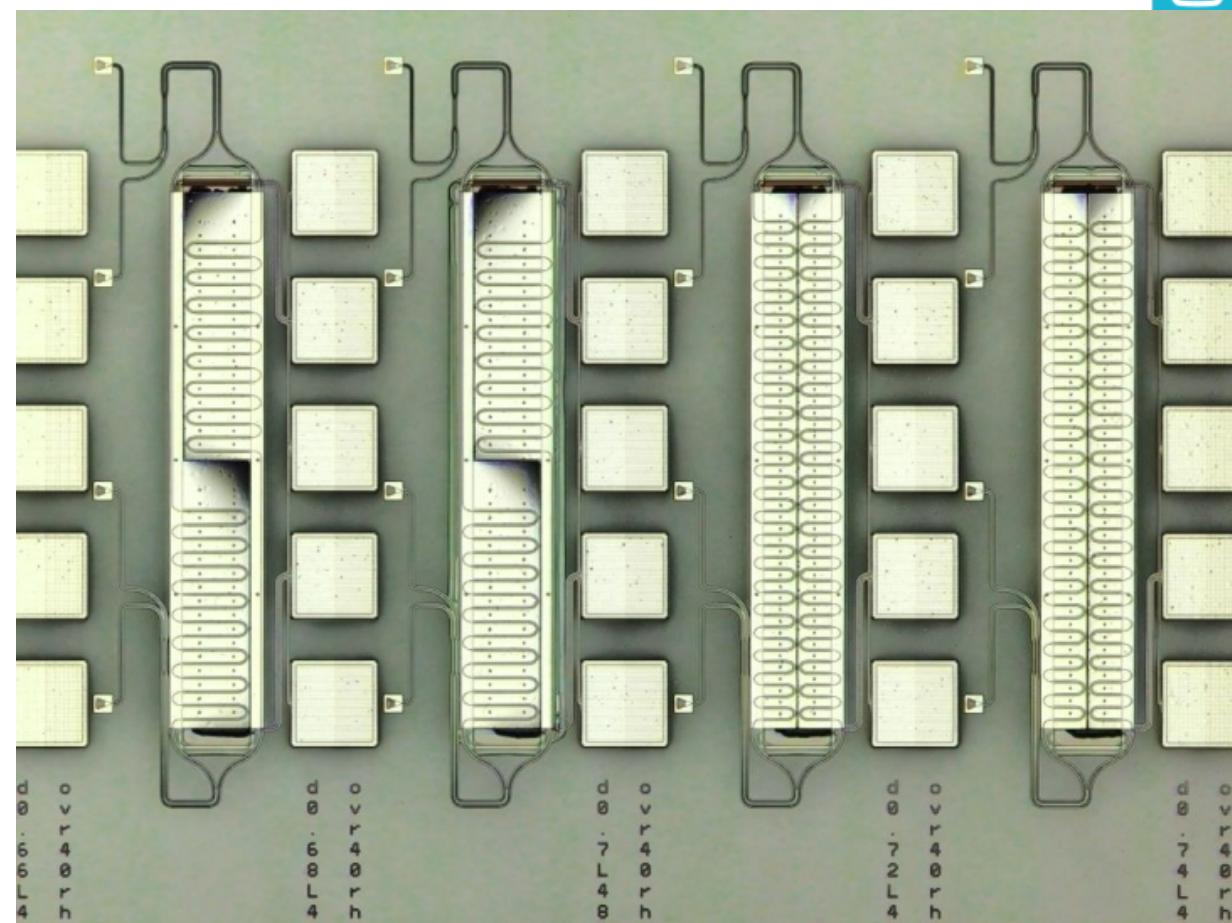
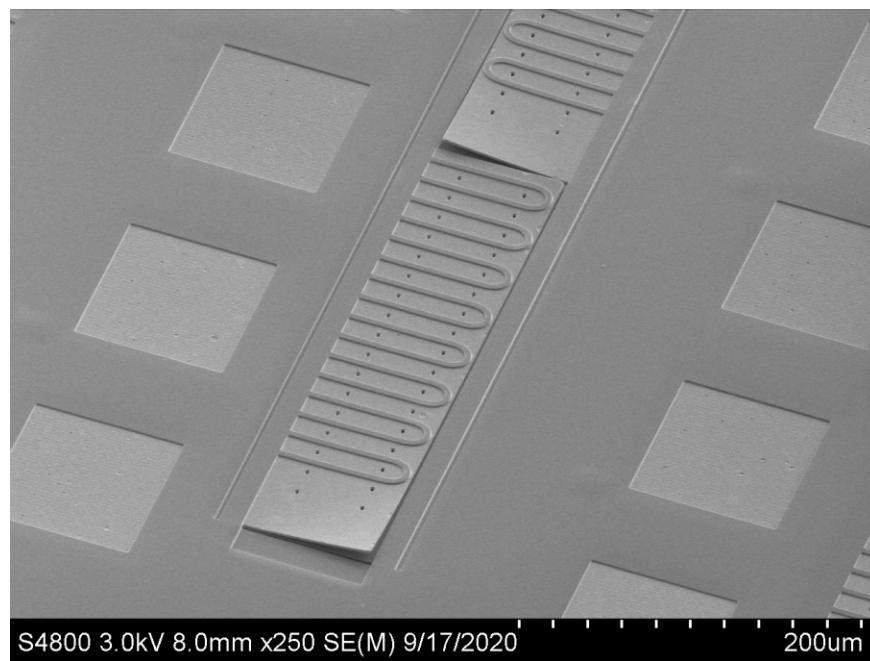
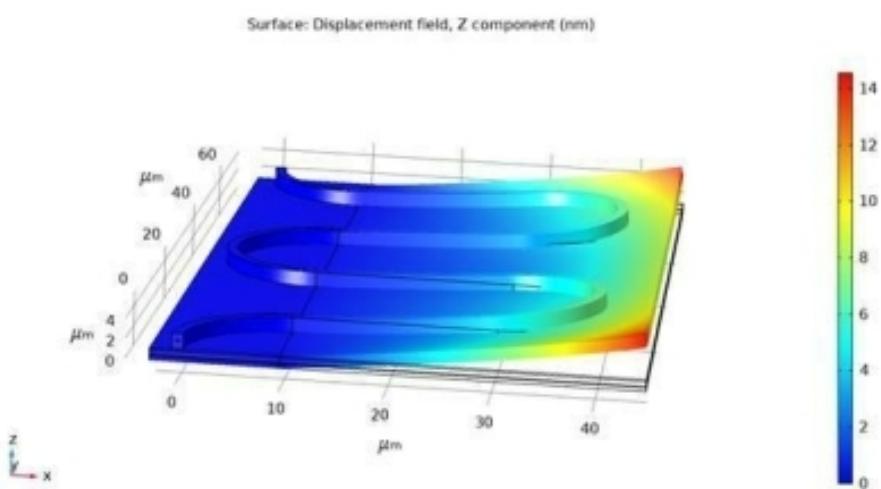


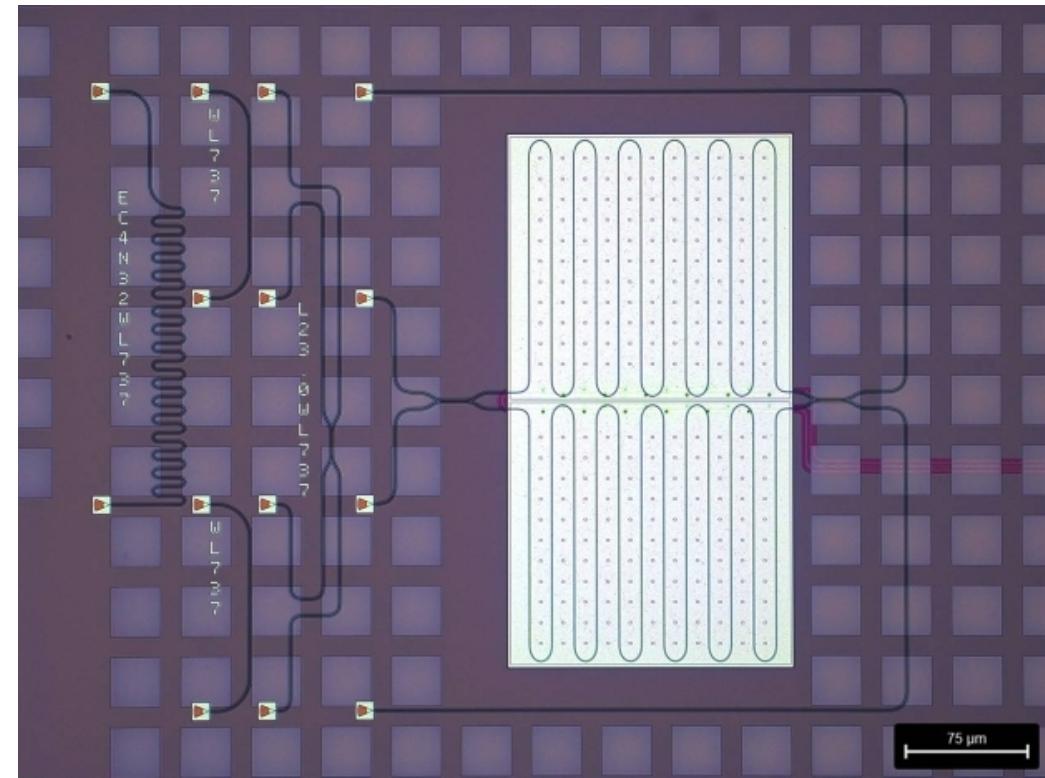
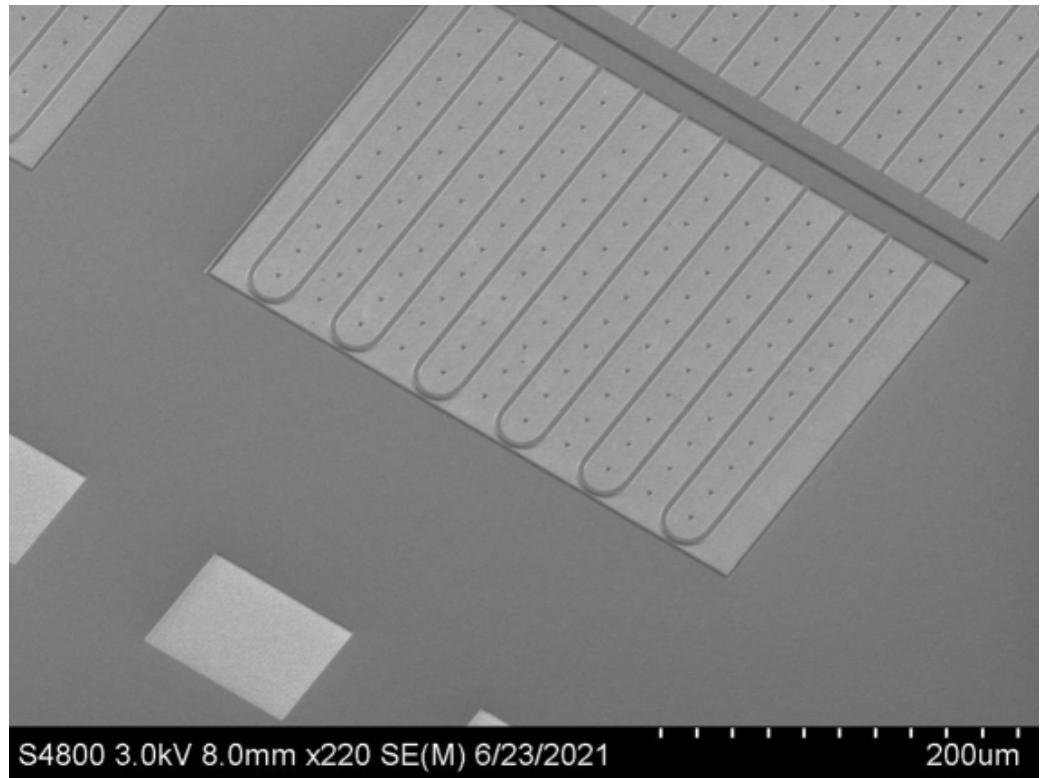
- Measured a gate fidelity of >99.8% using GST performed using only the MZI as the amplitude control
- There is further optimization to explore but this compares favorably to GST results performed with a AOM based set up

Questions?









- Calculating Normalized Power for one output port

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