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# Manipulating photonics synthetic dimension based on optical orbital angular momentum

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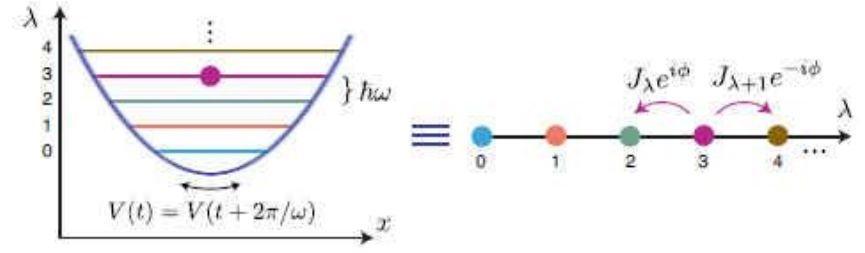
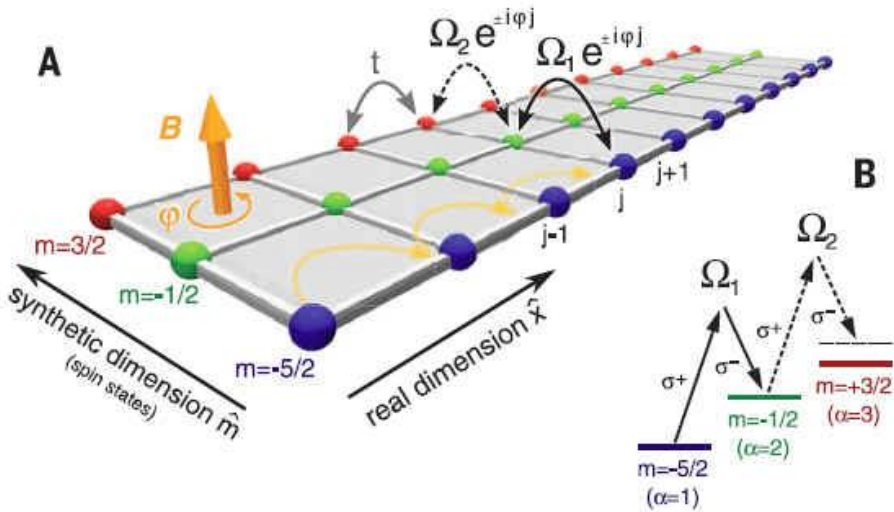
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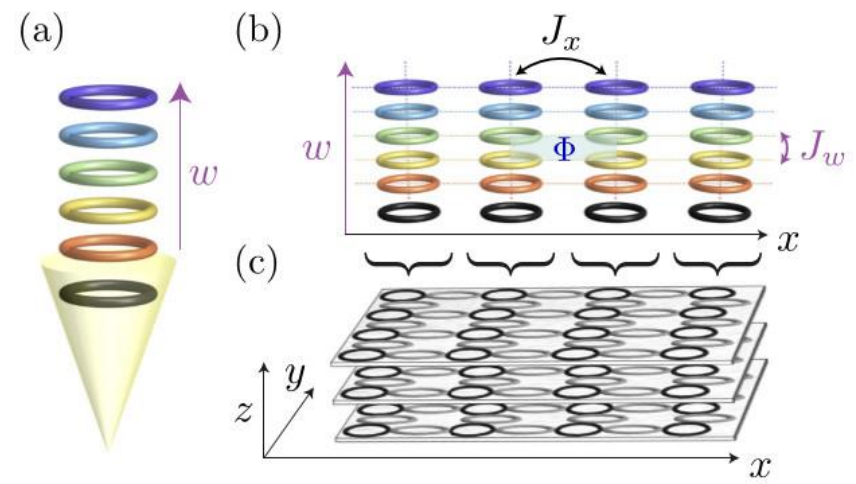


Quantum simulation by utilizing synthetic dimensions



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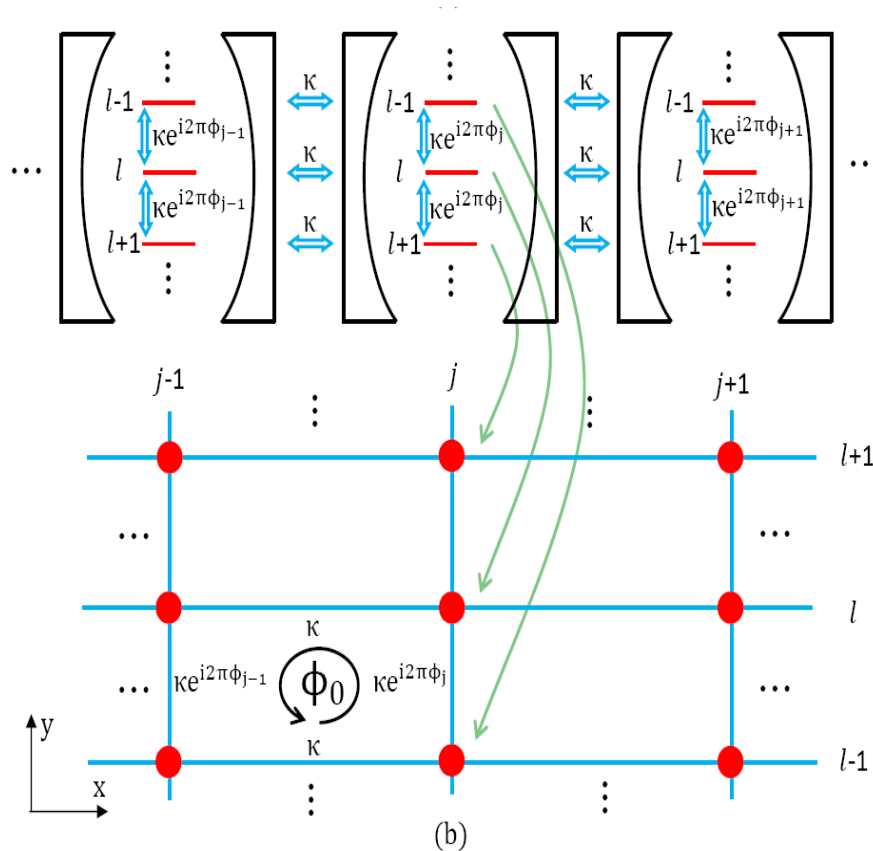
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## Quantum simulation by utilizing synthetic dimensions



### Advantages:

a large amount of optical modes; manipulating optical modes via linear optical elements

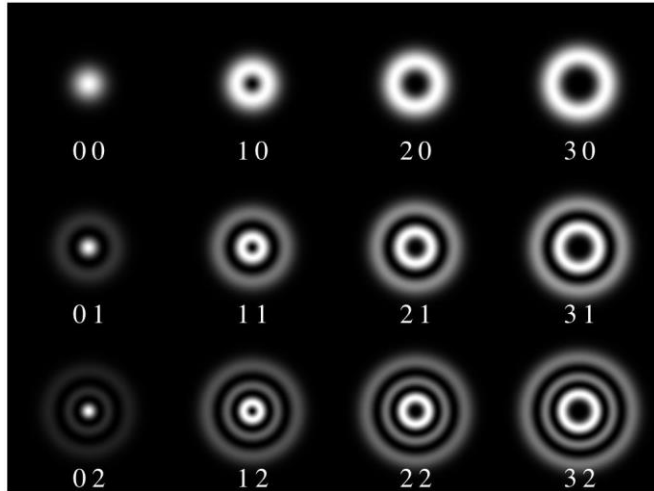
### Drawback:

inducing nonlinear interactions between optical modes are quite difficult.

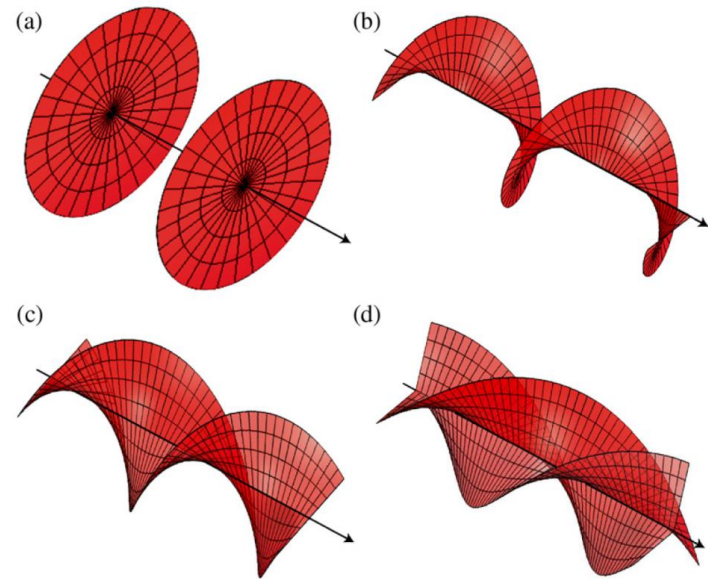


LG Mode : 
$$E_{p,l}(r, \varphi) = E_0 \frac{W_0}{W(z)} \left( \frac{r\sqrt{2}}{W(z)} \right)^{|l|} \mathcal{L}_p^{|l|} \left( \frac{2r^2}{W(z)^2} \right) \times \exp \left( \frac{-r^2}{W(z)^2} \right) \exp \left( \frac{-ikr^2}{2R(z)} \right) \times \exp [i(2p + |l| + 1)\zeta(z)] e^{il\varphi},$$

$l$ : azimuthal mode index  
 $p$ : radial mode index



$(lp)$



Helical phase fronts for (a)  $\ell = 0$ , (b)  $\ell = 1$ , (c)  $\ell = 2$ , and (d)  $\ell = 3$ .

Phase fronts for helical beams

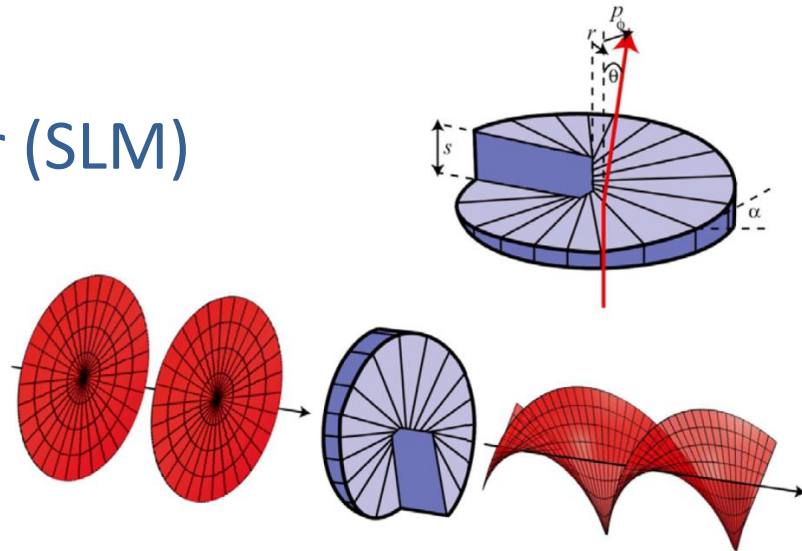


OAM generation:

Spatial light modulator (SLM)

Step index:  $M$

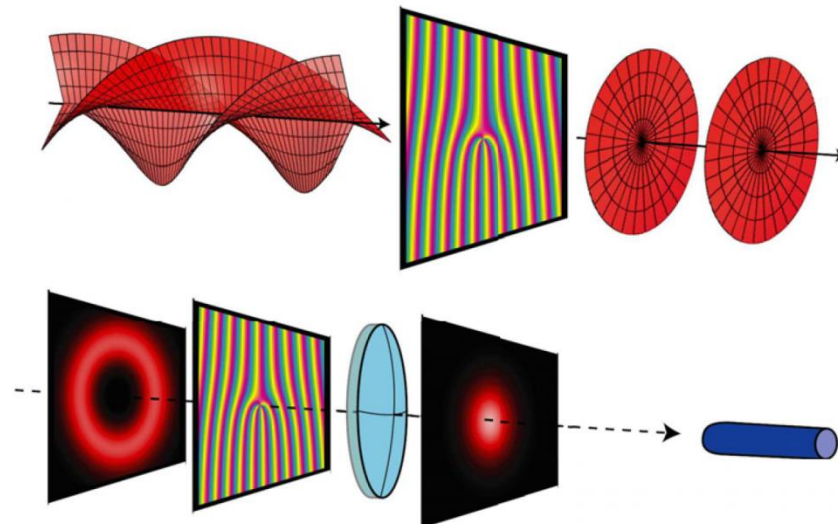
$$l \rightarrow l + M$$



OAM detection:

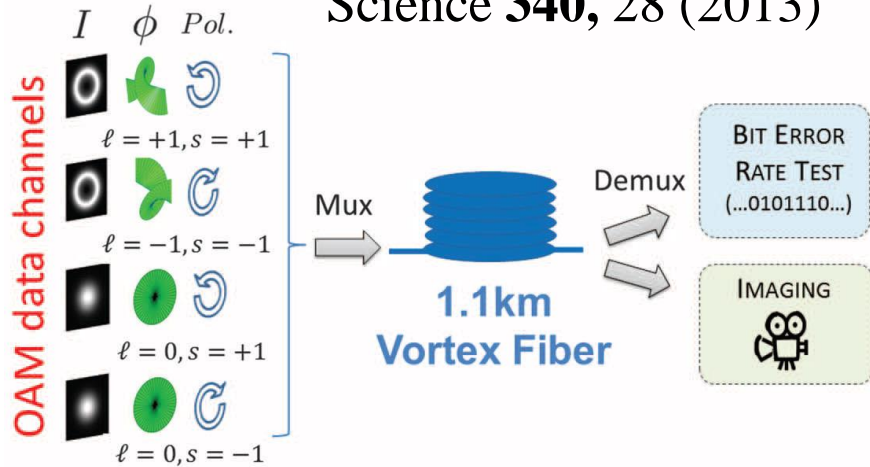
SLM &

Single mode fiber

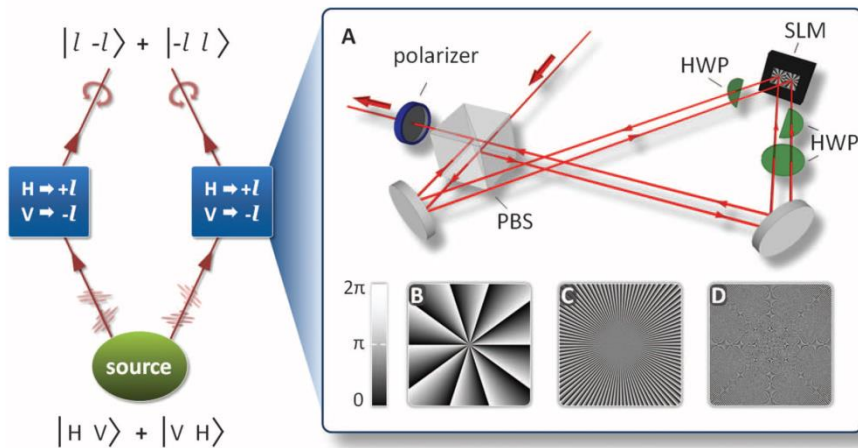




Science 340, 28 (2013)

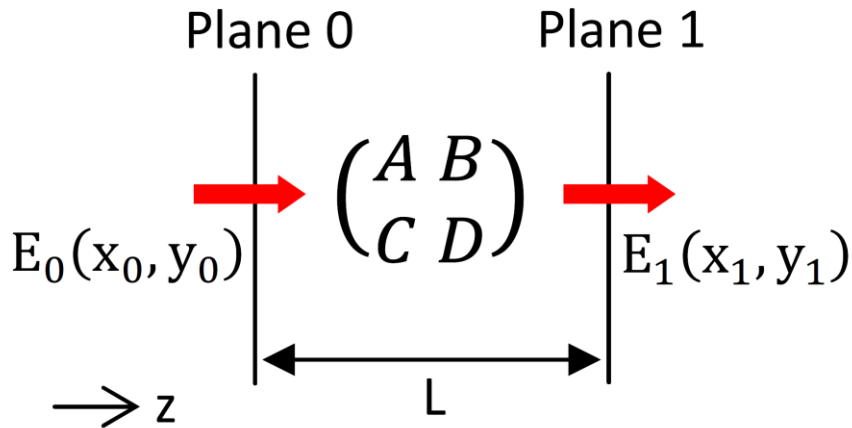


High capacity communication



High dimensional quantum entanglement

Science 338, 2 (2012)



**Degenerate condition:**

**Unit ray matrix**

$$A = D = 1; B = C = 0$$

$$E_1(x_1, y_1) = \iint G(x_1, y_1; x_0, y_0) E_0(x_0, y_0)$$

**G: depends on ray matrix [A,B;C,D]**

**G=Delta function: Unit ray matrix**

**Resonance condition:**  $kL_0 - (2p + l + 1)\arccos \frac{A + D}{2} = 2n\pi$

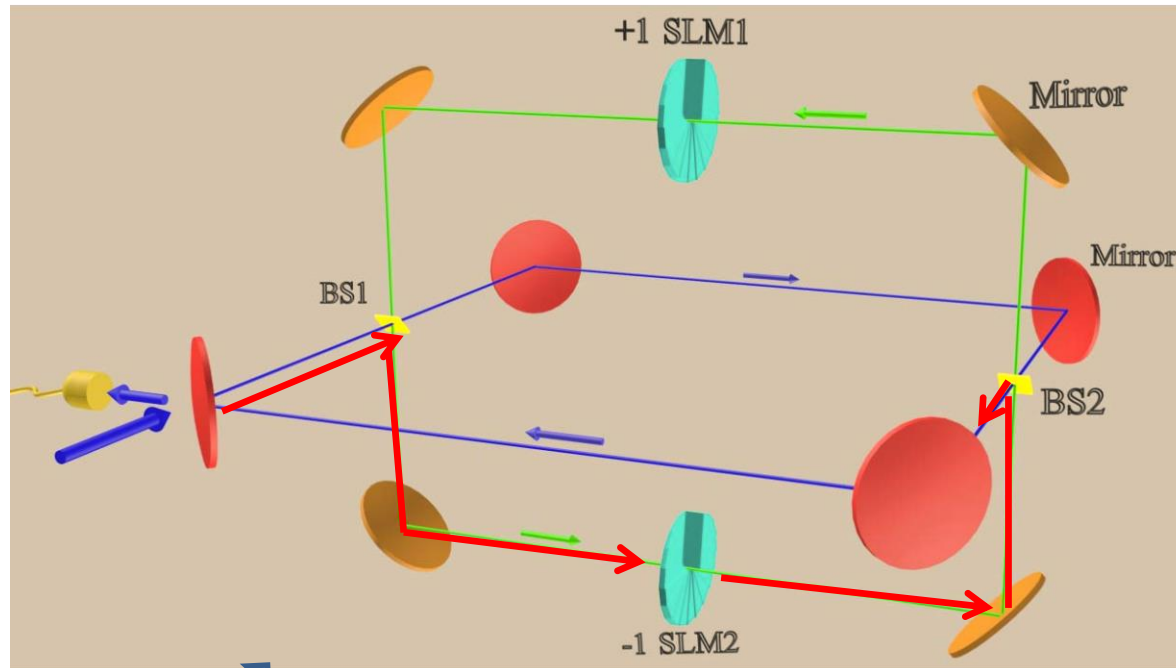




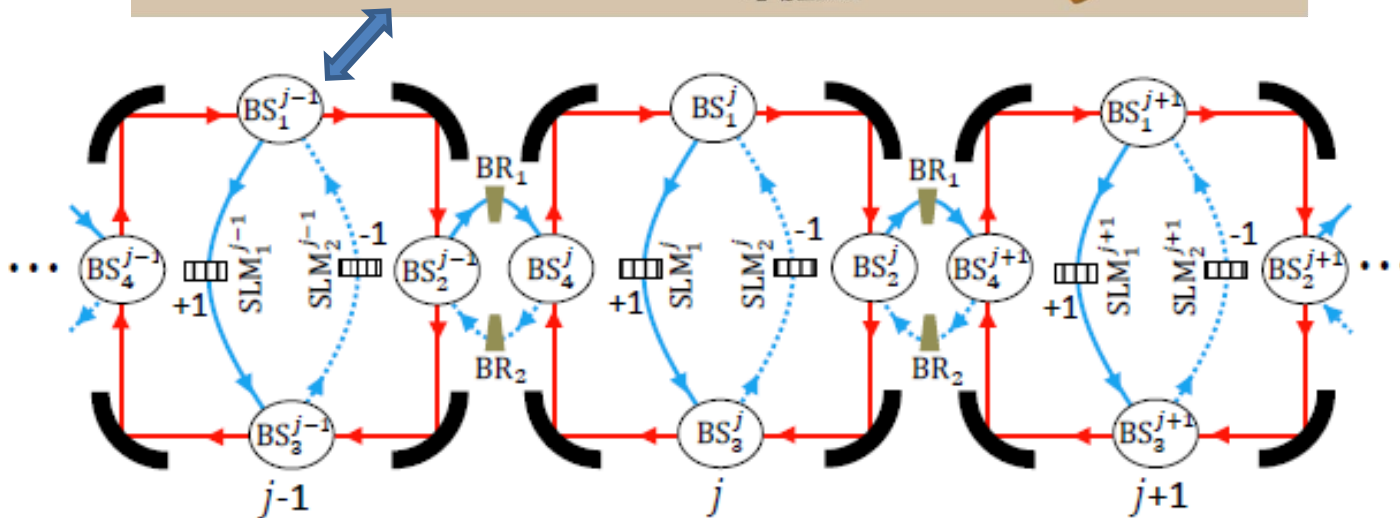
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# Simulating photonic lattices



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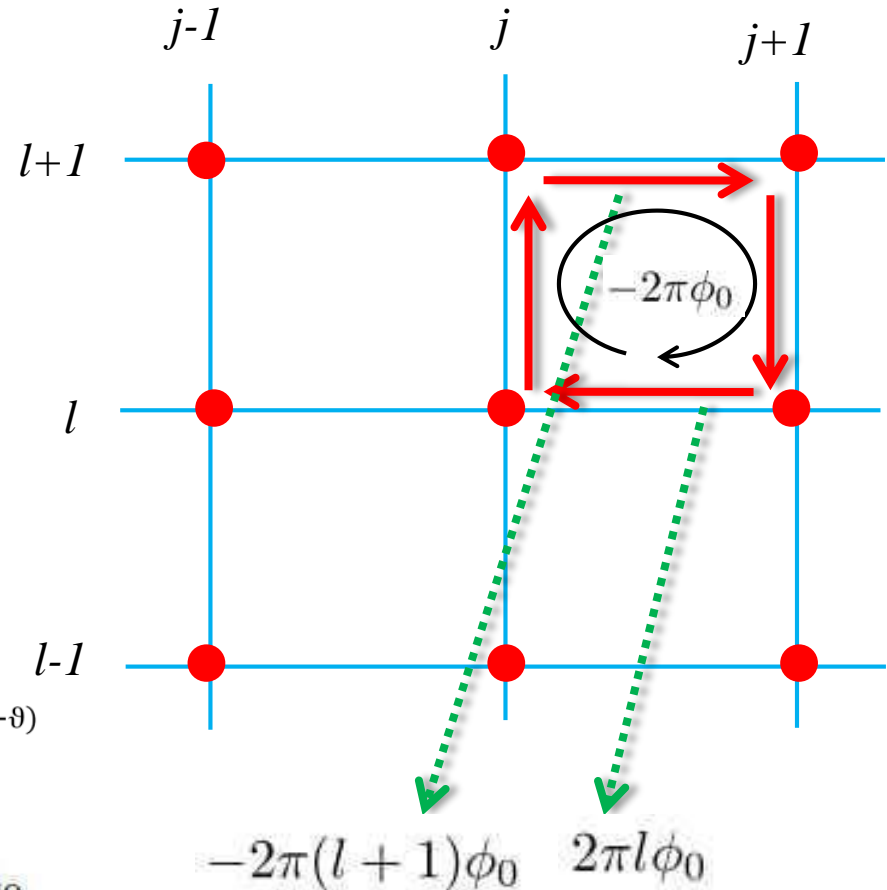
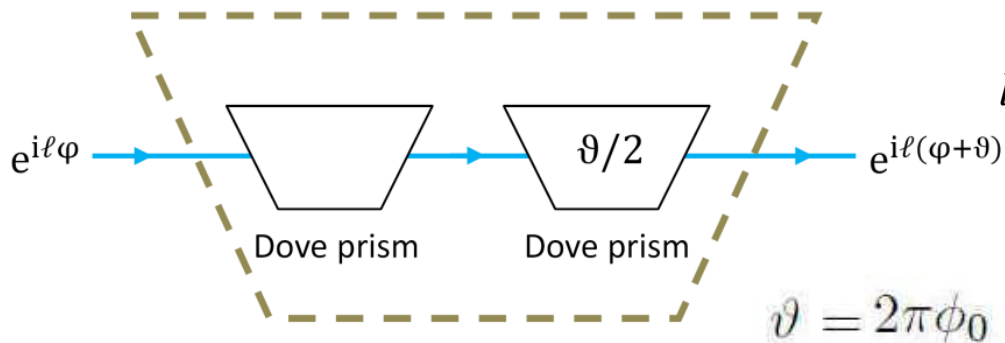
$$\mathcal{H}_2 = -\kappa \sum_{j,l} (a_{j,l+1}^\dagger a_{j,l} + a_{j,l}^\dagger a_{j,l+1} + e^{-i2\pi l\phi_0} a_{j+1,l}^\dagger a_{j,l} + e^{i2\pi l\phi_0} a_{j,l}^\dagger a_{j+1,l})$$

- Tunnelling phase in x direction

$$\phi_x = 2\pi l\phi_0$$

- Tunnelling phase in y direction

$$\phi_y = 0$$



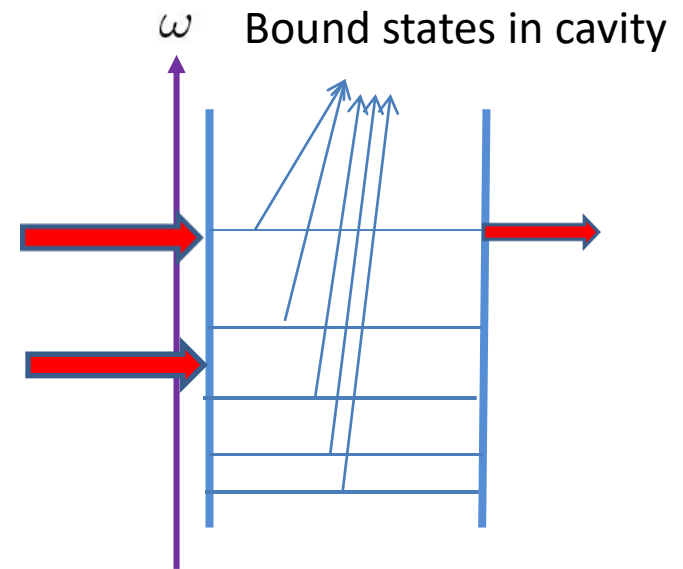


➤ Input-output relation

$$d_{out,n'}(\omega) = \sum_n \left\{ \delta_{n'n} - i \left[ \sqrt{\Gamma} \frac{1}{\omega - \mathcal{H}_{SYS} + i\Gamma/2} \sqrt{\Gamma} \right]_{n'n} \right\} d_{in,n}(\omega),$$

$$\Gamma = \text{diag}\{\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_n\}$$

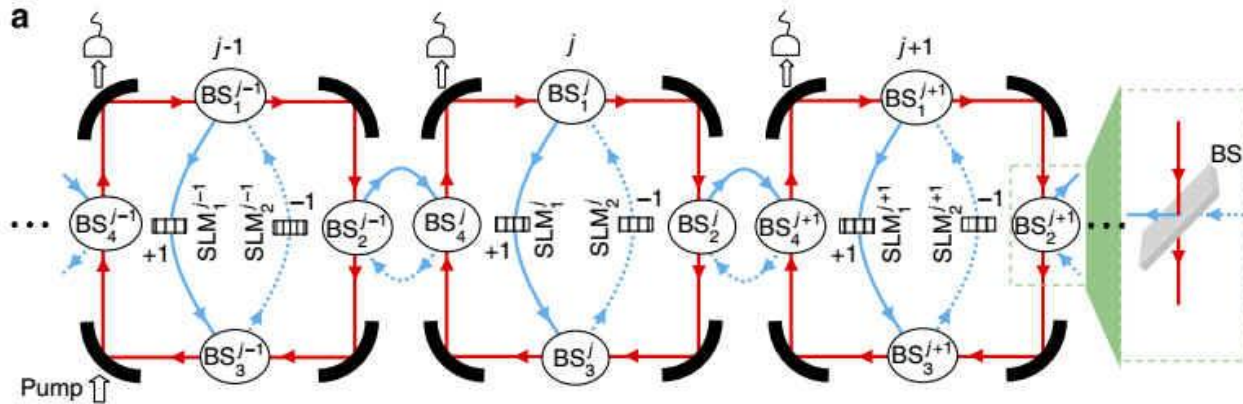
$$T_n^{n'} = -i \langle n' | \frac{\gamma}{\omega - \mathcal{H}_{SYS} + i\gamma/2} | n \rangle,$$





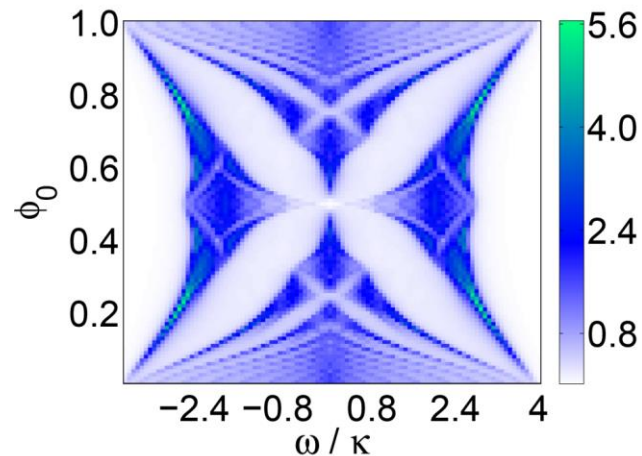
$$\mathcal{H}_1 = -\kappa \sum_{j,l} \left( e^{i2\pi\phi_j} \hat{a}_{j,l+1}^\dagger \hat{a}_{j,l} + \hat{a}_{j+1,l}^\dagger \hat{a}_{j,l} + \text{h.c.} \right)$$

$$T_{j_i, l_i}^{j_o, l_o}(\omega) = -i\gamma \left\langle j_o, l_o \left| \frac{1}{\omega - H + i\gamma/2} \right| j_i, l_i \right\rangle$$



$$\mathcal{T}_{j_i, l_i}(\omega) = \sum_{j_o, l_o} |T_{j_i, l_i}^{j_o, l_o}(\omega)|^2$$

$$\sum_{j_i=0}^{N-1} \mathcal{T}_{j_i, 0}$$





➤ Simulation of edge-state transport

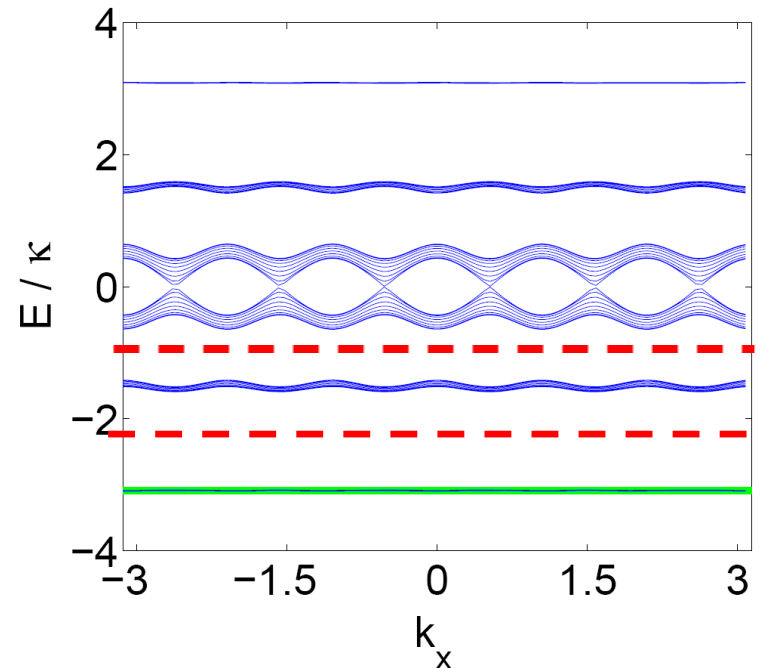
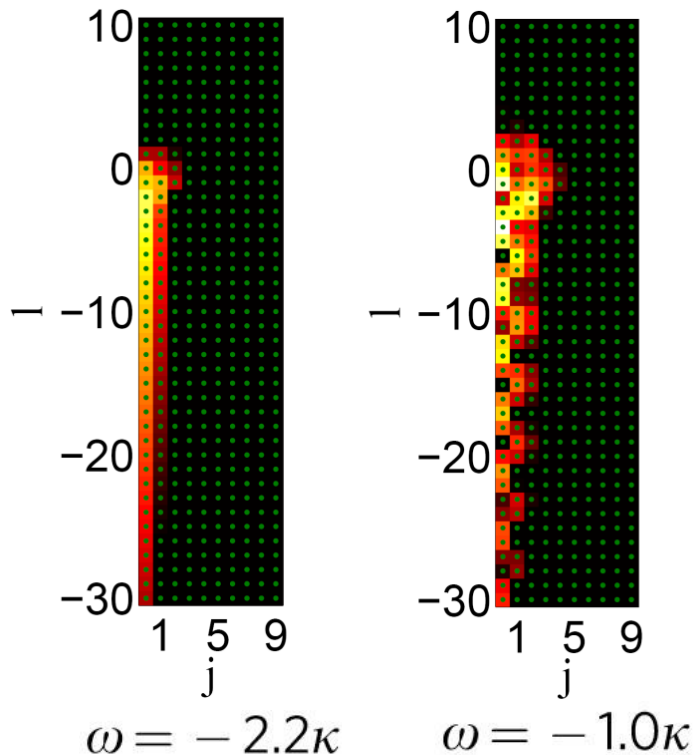
$$\phi_0 = 1/6 \quad \mathcal{T}_{0,0}^{j,l} \equiv |T_{0,0}^{j,l}|^2$$

➤ unidirectionality & robustness

$$\mathcal{H}_1 = -\kappa \sum_{j,l} \left( e^{i2\pi\phi_j} \hat{a}_{j,l+1}^\dagger \hat{a}_{j,l} + \hat{a}_{j+1,l}^\dagger \hat{a}_{j,l} + \text{h.c.} \right)$$

➤ Energy band

$$\phi_0 = 1/6$$



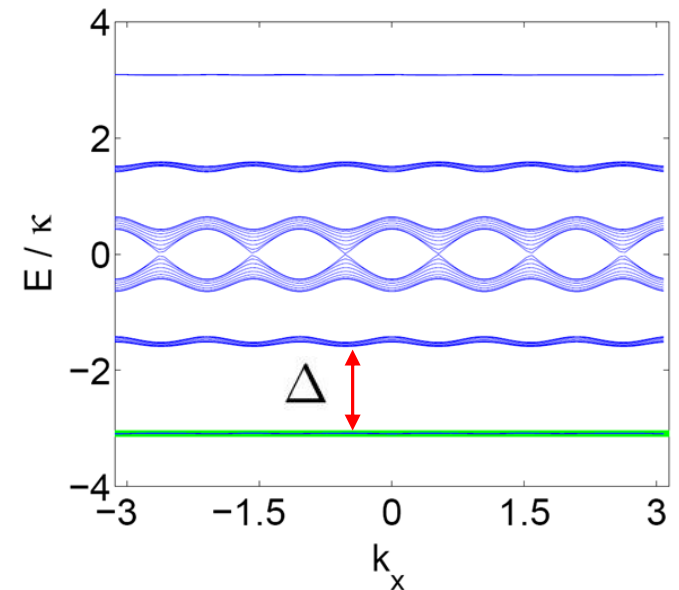


$$T(k_x, k_y, l_q) = F \left[ T_{0,0}^{j,ql+l_q} \right]$$

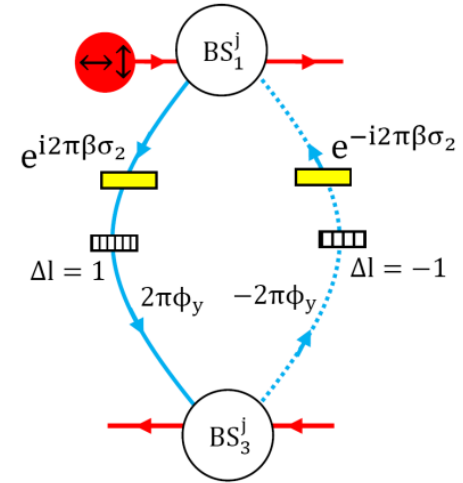
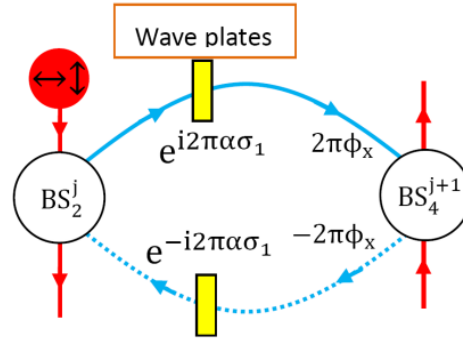
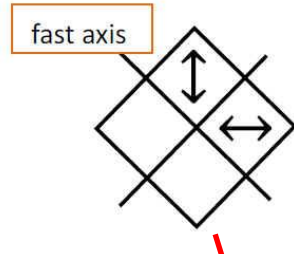
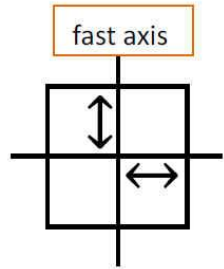
$$T(k_x, k_y, l_q) \propto u_{l_q}^m(k_x, k_y) \frac{i\gamma}{\omega - E_m(k_x, k_y) + i\gamma} u_0^m(k_x, k_y)^*$$

$$\omega - E_m(k_x, k_y) \ll \gamma \ll \Delta.$$

$$T(k_x, k_y, l_q) \propto u_{l_q}^m(k_x, k_y) u_0^m(k_x, k_y)^*$$



$$C = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int \int dk_x dk_y \left( \left\langle \frac{\partial u^m}{\partial k_x} \middle| \frac{\partial u^m}{\partial k_y} \right\rangle - \left\langle \frac{\partial u^m}{\partial k_y} \middle| \frac{\partial u^m}{\partial k_x} \right\rangle \right)$$



$$\begin{pmatrix} |\leftrightarrow\rangle \\ |\updownarrow\rangle \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow e^{i2\pi\phi\sigma_z} \begin{pmatrix} |\leftrightarrow\rangle \\ |\updownarrow\rangle \end{pmatrix} e^{i2\pi\phi\sigma_x}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_2 = -\kappa \sum_{j,l} \left( \hat{\mathbf{a}}_{j,l+1}^\dagger e^{i2\pi\hat{\theta}_y} \hat{\mathbf{a}}_{j,l} + \hat{\mathbf{a}}_{j+1,l}^\dagger e^{i2\pi\hat{\theta}_x} \hat{\mathbf{a}}_{j,l} + \text{h.c.} \right) + \sum_{j,l} \lambda_j \hat{\mathbf{a}}_{j,l}^\dagger \hat{\mathbf{a}}_{j,l},$$

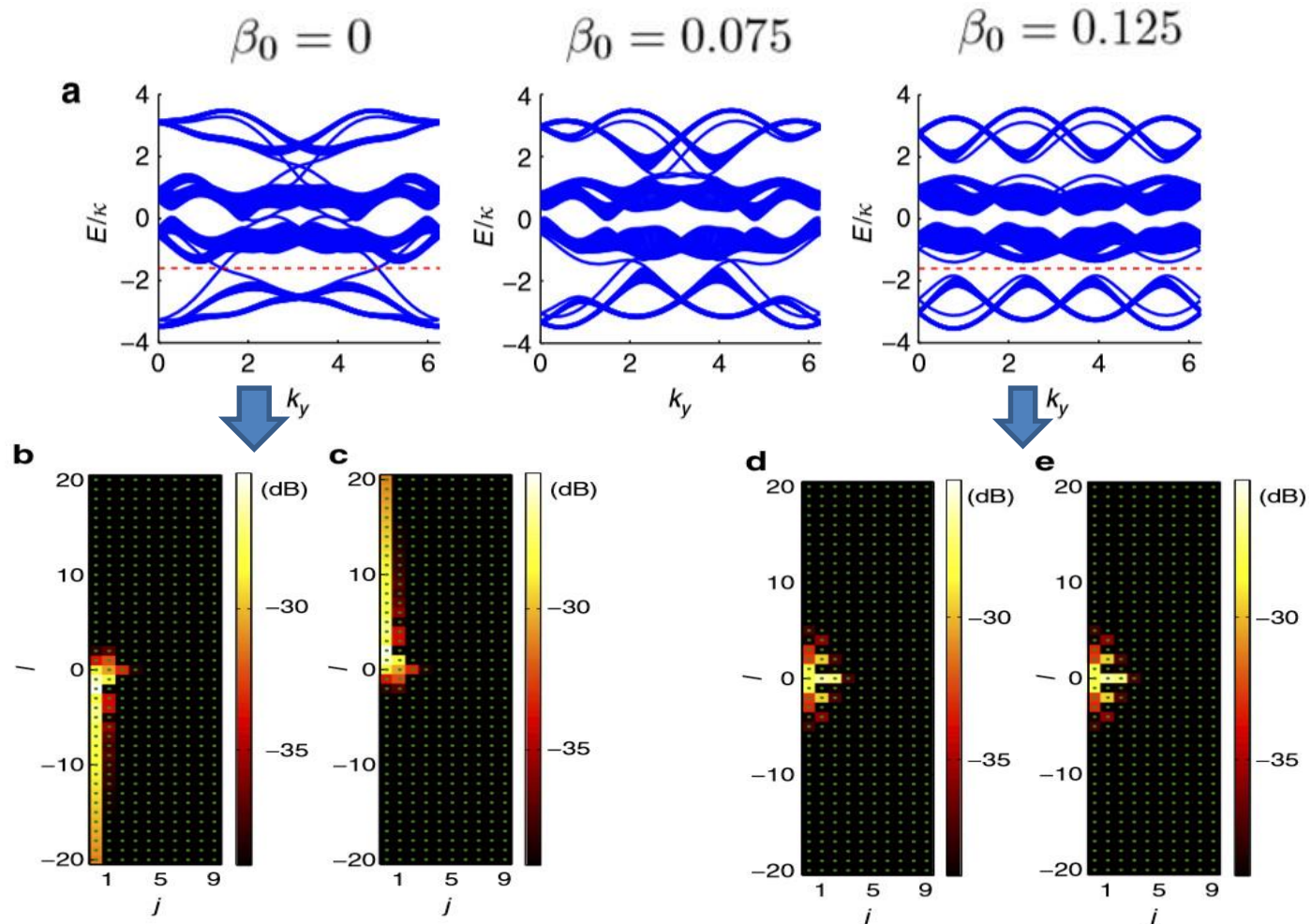
$$\hat{\theta}_x = \phi_x + \alpha\sigma_1, \hat{\theta}_y = \phi_y + \beta\sigma_2,$$





$$\mathcal{H}_4 = -\kappa \sum_{j,l} \left( \hat{\mathbf{a}}_{j,l+1}^\dagger e^{i(\frac{\pi j}{2} + \beta_0)} \sigma_z \hat{\mathbf{a}}_{j,l} + \hat{\mathbf{a}}_{j+1,l}^\dagger i \sigma_x \hat{\mathbf{a}}_{j,l} + \text{h.c.} \right) + \sum_{j,l} \lambda_0 \cdot [\text{mod}(j, 4) - 1.5] \hat{\mathbf{a}}_{j,l}^\dagger \hat{\mathbf{a}}_{j,l},$$

$$\lambda_0 = 0.6\kappa$$





## 1D topological model:

Su-Schrieffer-Heeger (SSH) model

(Phys. Rev. B 22, 2099 (1980))

1D-spinless p-wave paired superconductor

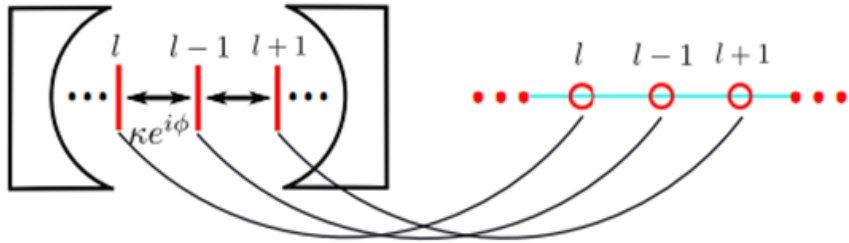
(Physics-Uspekhi 44, 131 (2001))

In principle, it is enough for single degenerate optical cavity to simulate topological feature of photonic modes.



Soft boundary

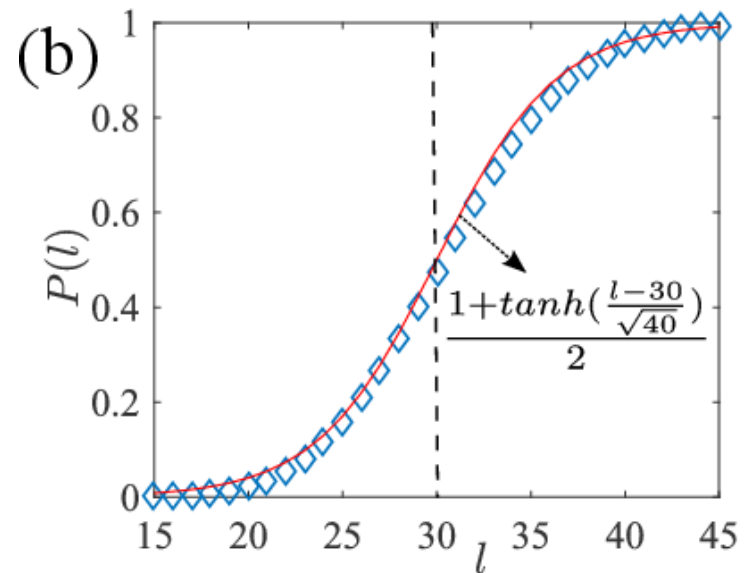
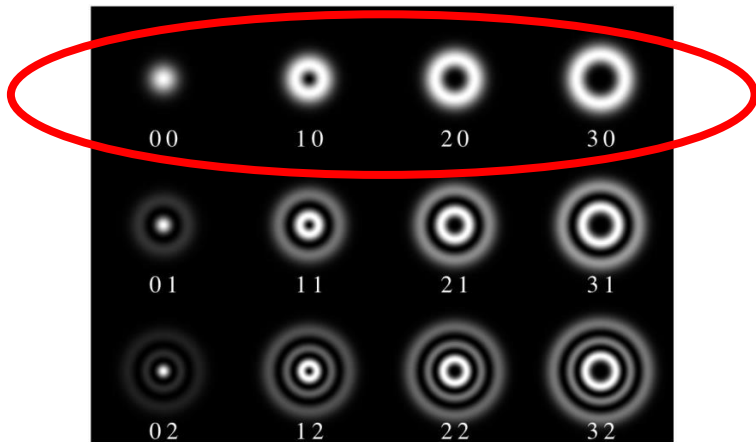
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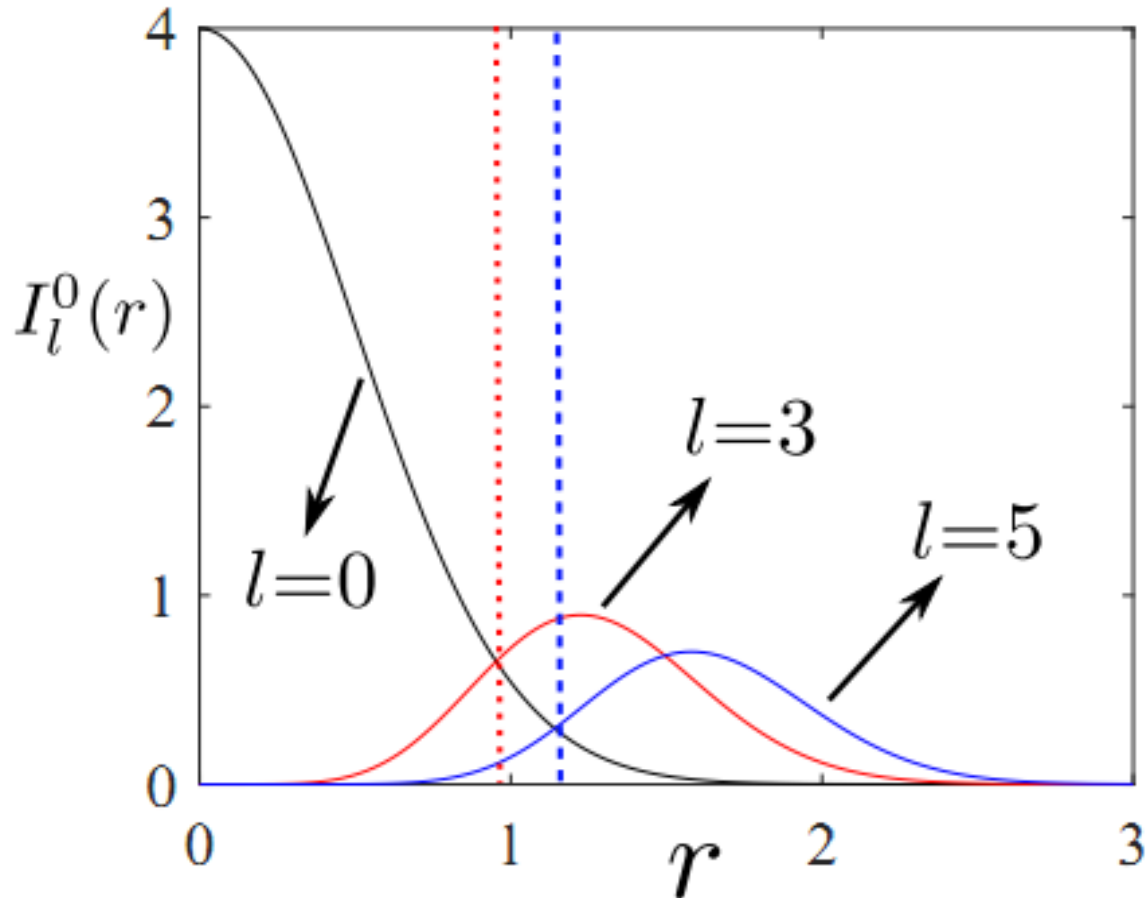


$$\mathcal{H} = -\kappa \sum_l \left( e^{i\phi} \hat{a}_{l+1}^\dagger \hat{a}_l + h.c. \right)$$

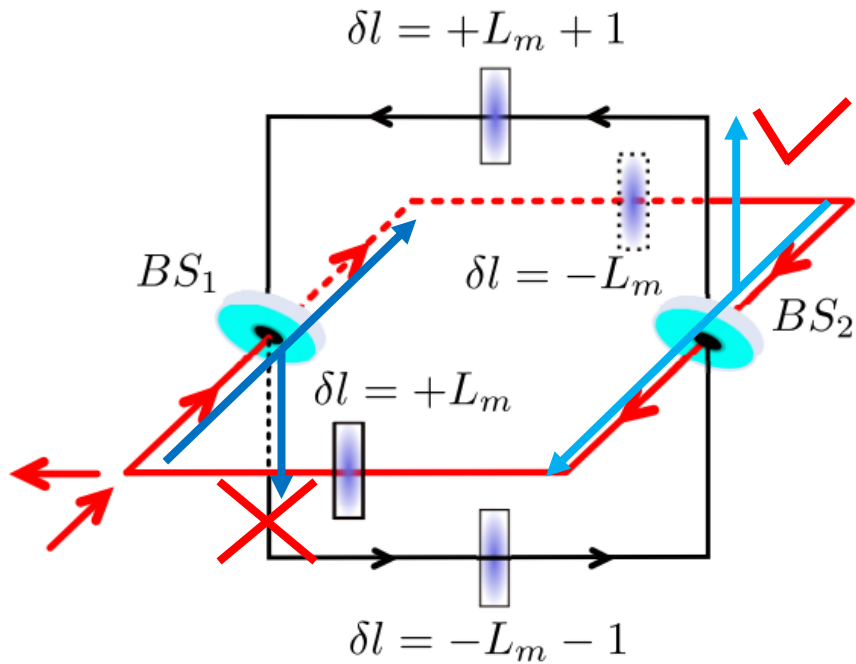
$$P(l) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sqrt{L/2} dr r |E_l^0|^2$$

$r = \sqrt{l/2}$ .  $l$ : azimuthal mode index  
 $p$ : radial mode index





$$\int dr r I_0^0 I_n^0 \sim e^{-n}$$

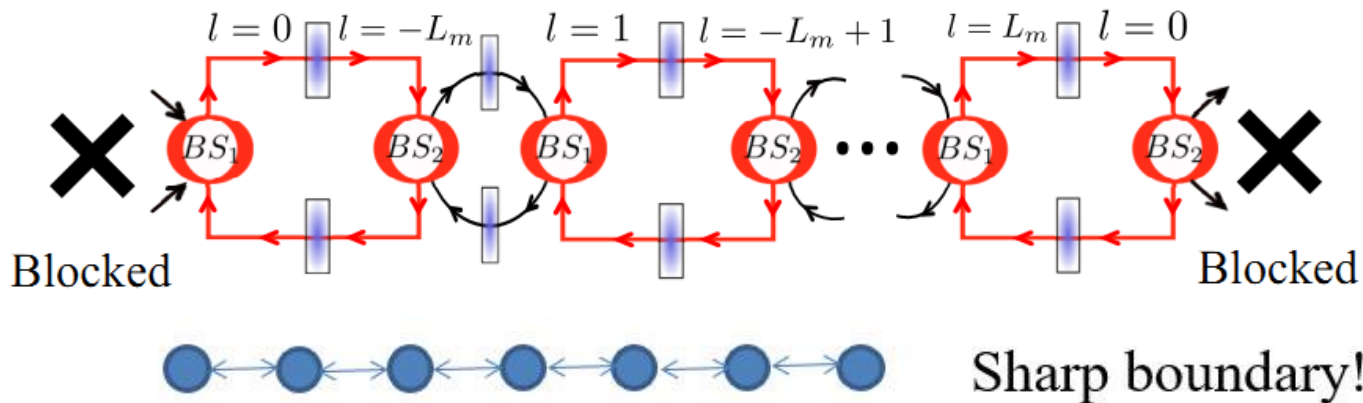


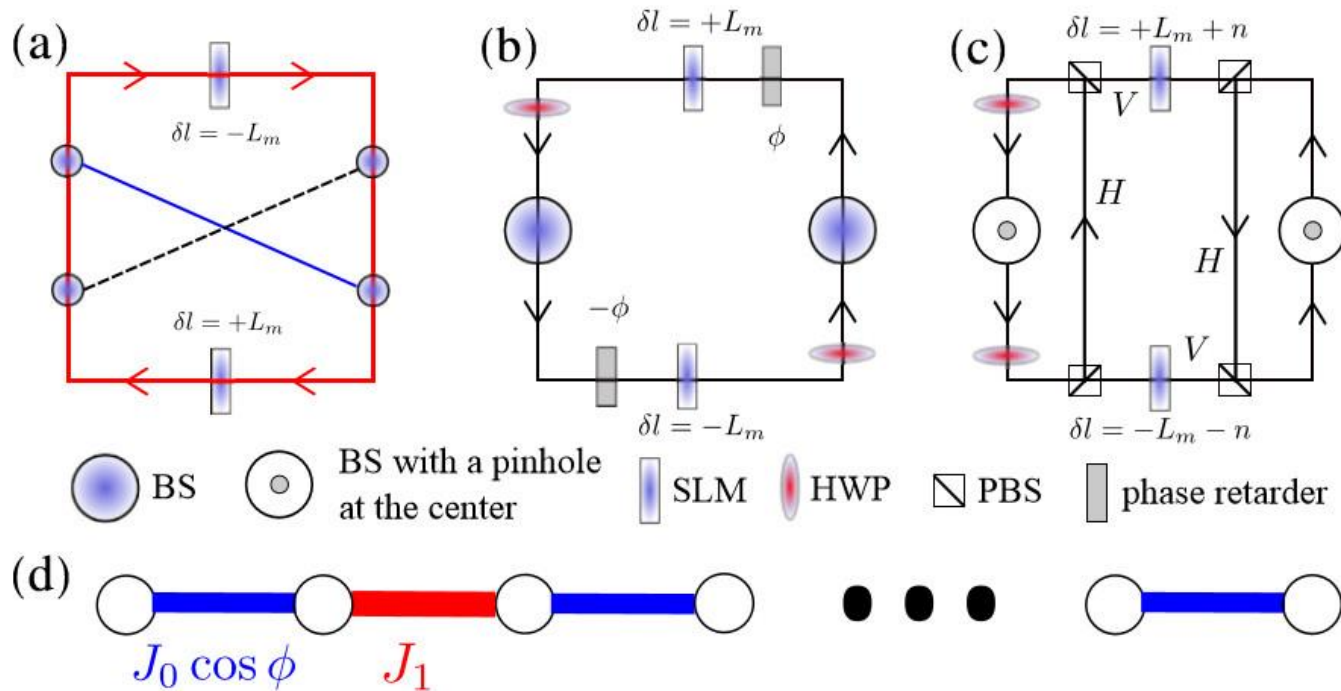
composite mode

$$[l, -L_m + l]$$

$$[0, -L_m] \rightarrow [1, -L_m + 1]$$

$$[0, -L_m] \not\rightarrow [-1, -L_m - 1]$$





$$a_{2l} \rightarrow E_{l,H}^P \text{ and } a_{2l+1} \rightarrow E_{l,V}^P$$

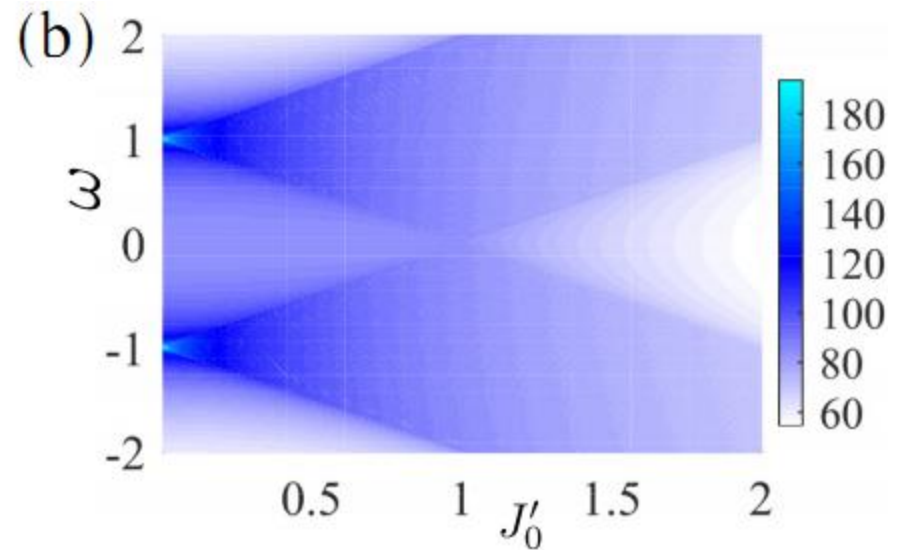
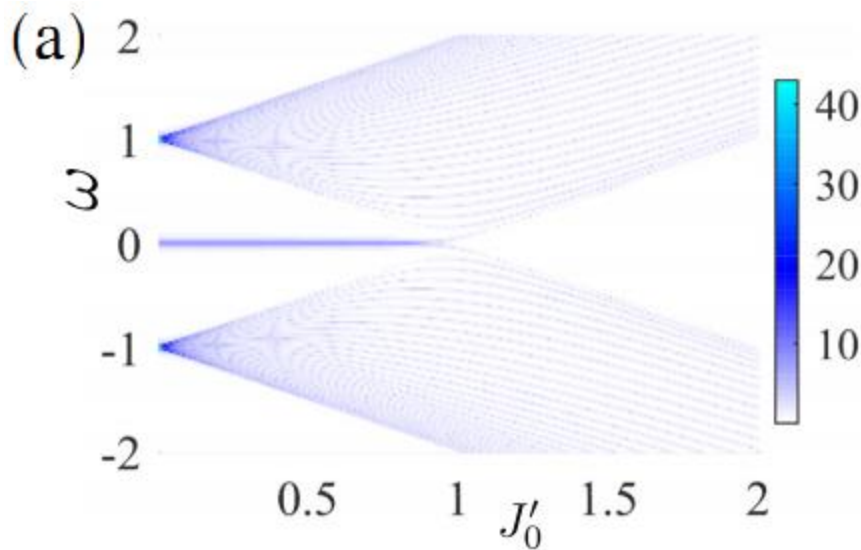
$$H = \sum_{l=0}^{L_m} [J_0 \cos(\phi) a_{2l}^\dagger a_{2l+1} + J_1 a_{2l+1}^\dagger a_{2l+2} + h.c.] \quad (2)$$

$$J'_0 \equiv J_0 \cos \phi \quad N_{\cdot} = \int \frac{dk}{2\pi} \frac{d\phi_k}{dk} = 1 \text{ only when } J'_0 < J_1$$



$$\partial_t a_j = -i[a_j, H(t)] - \frac{\gamma_j}{2} a_j - \sqrt{\gamma_j} a_{in,j}$$

$$\tau(\omega) = \sum_{j,j'} |T_{jj'}|^2 \quad T_{jj'} = -i \langle j | [\omega - H + i\gamma_j/2]^{-1} | j' \rangle.$$



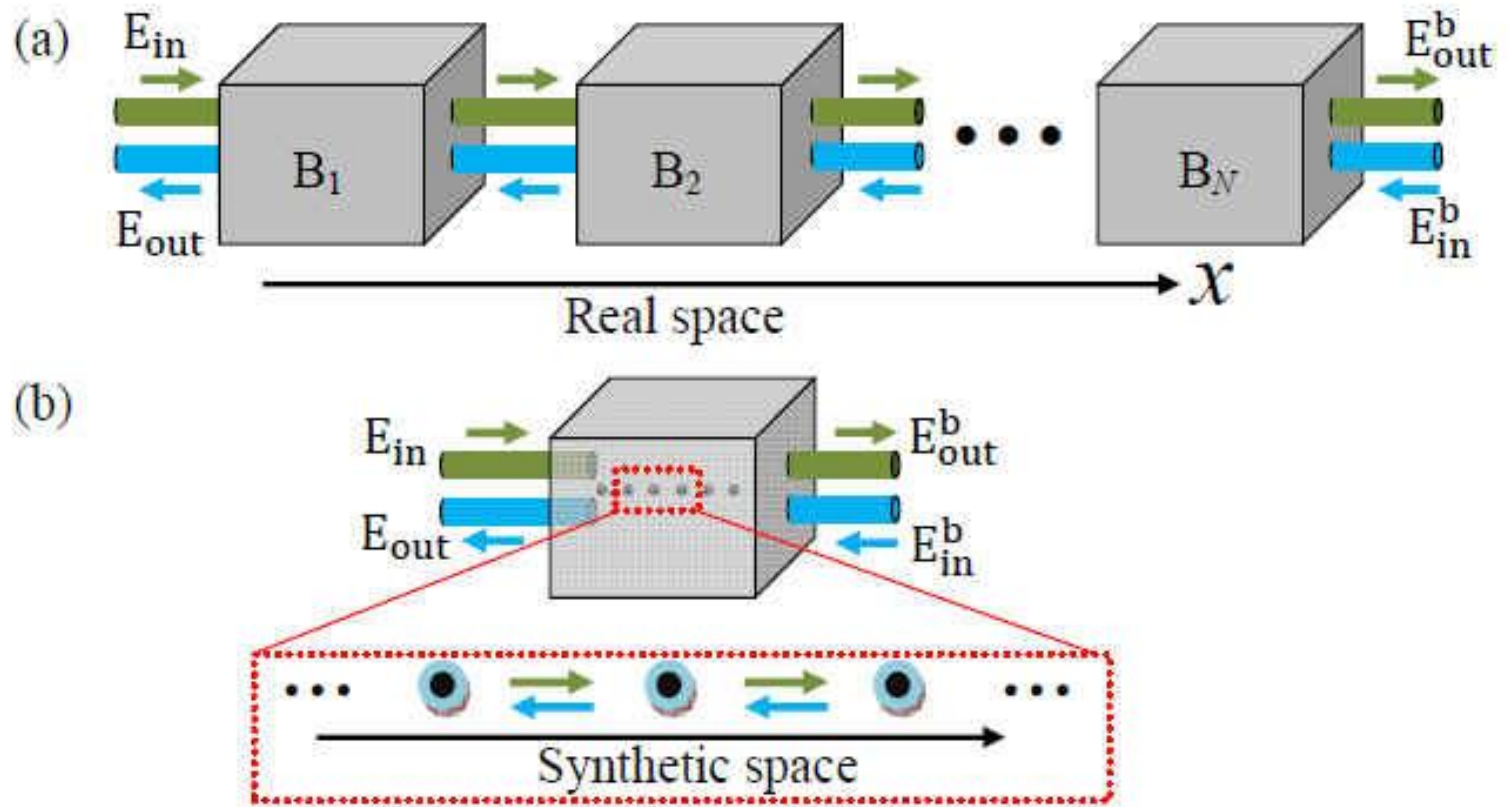
$$J_1 = 1 \text{ and } L_m = 59$$

$$\gamma_j = 0.05(e^{-j/\sqrt{30}} + e^{-|j-L_m|/\sqrt{30}})$$



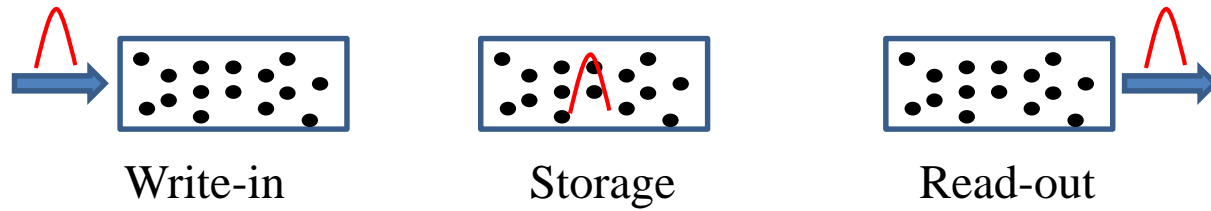
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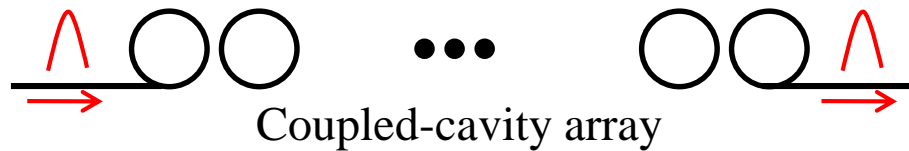
Atomic ensemble



Optical pulse  $\rightarrow$  Collective atomic excitation

Shortcoming: photon  $\leftrightarrow$  Atomic ensemble

Optical waveguide



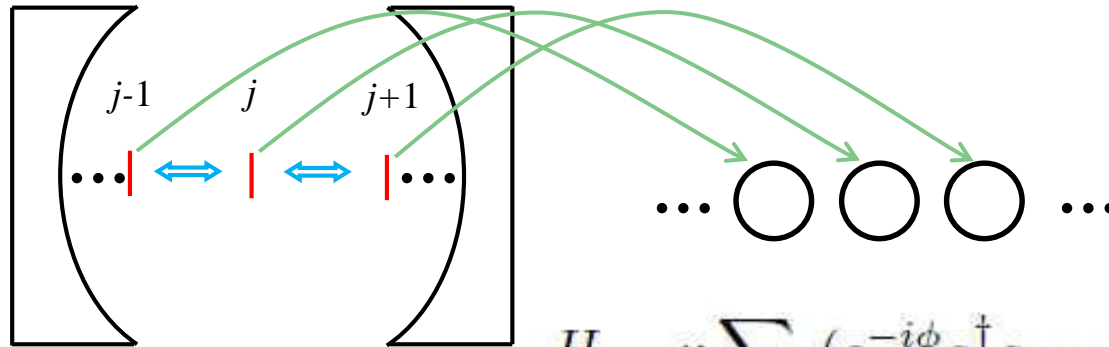
Refractive index modulation  $\leftrightarrow$  Controlled delay

Shortcoming: fabricating large numbers of identical optical cavities or homogeneously tuning the index of optical materials



# Quantum memory

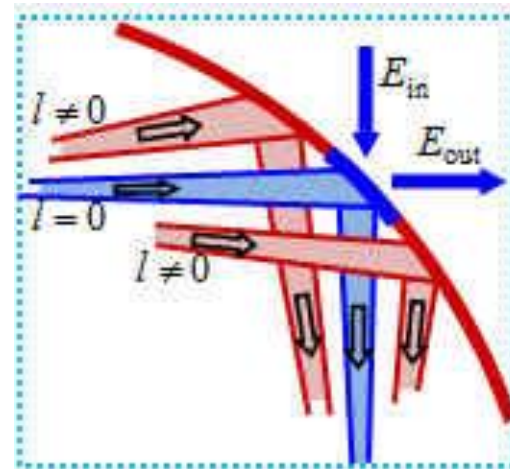
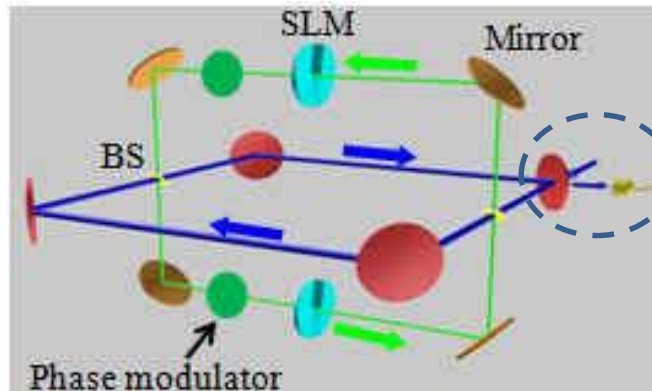
## Degenerate cavity



Site index:  $j$   
Step index:  $M$   
OAM index:  $l=j*M$

$$H = \kappa \sum_j (e^{-i\phi} a_j^\dagger a_{j+1} + h.c.) + \omega_0 \sum_j a_j^\dagger a_j$$

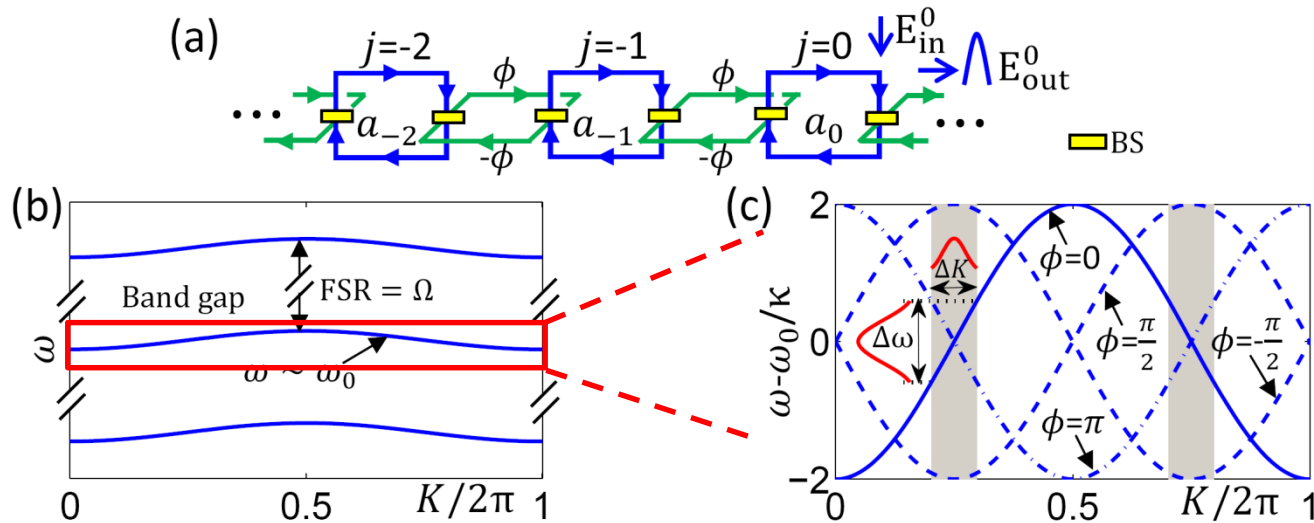
## Optical design



Input/output:  
Pinhole couples  
 $l = 0$  mode in/out



Effective circuit & band structure



Phase imbalance  $\phi$ , Electro-optical modulator

Spectrum engineering  $\rightarrow$  propagation control

$$\omega = \omega_0 - 2\kappa \cos(K - \phi)$$

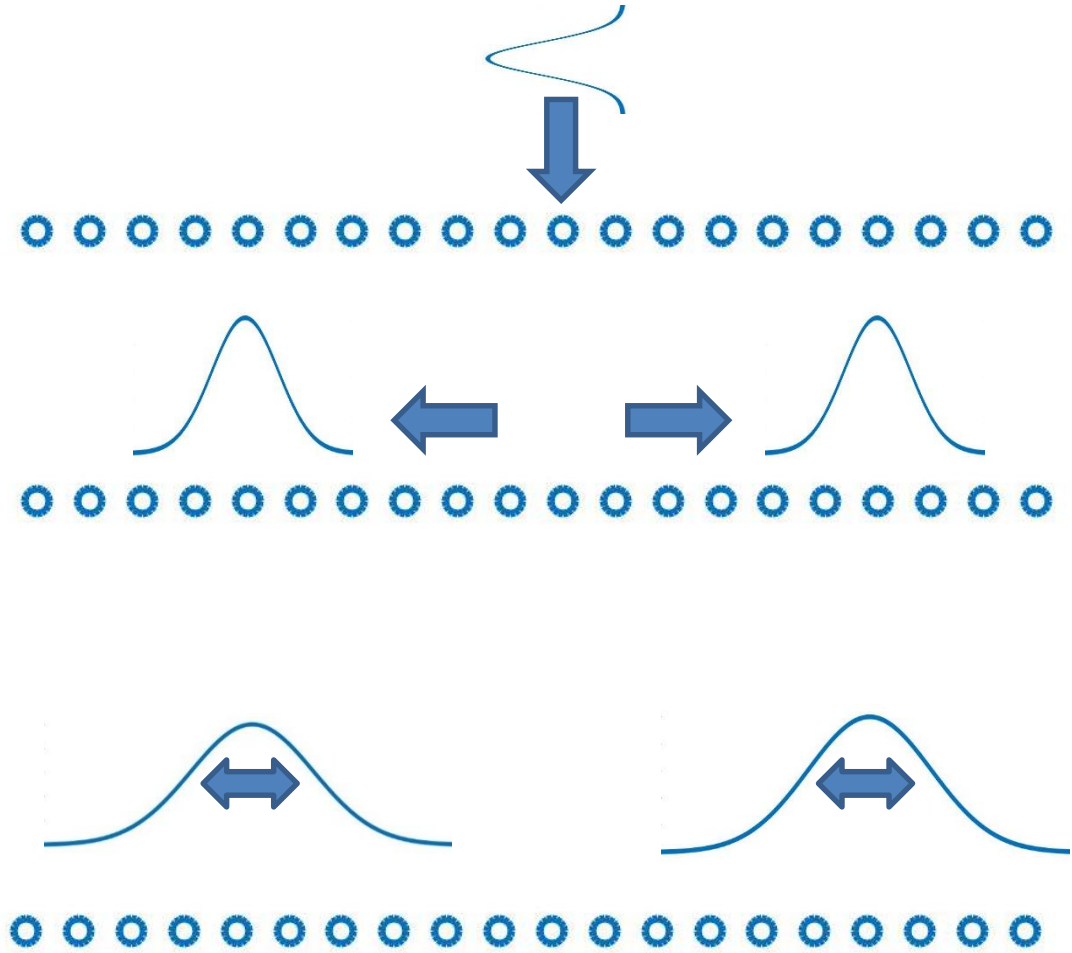
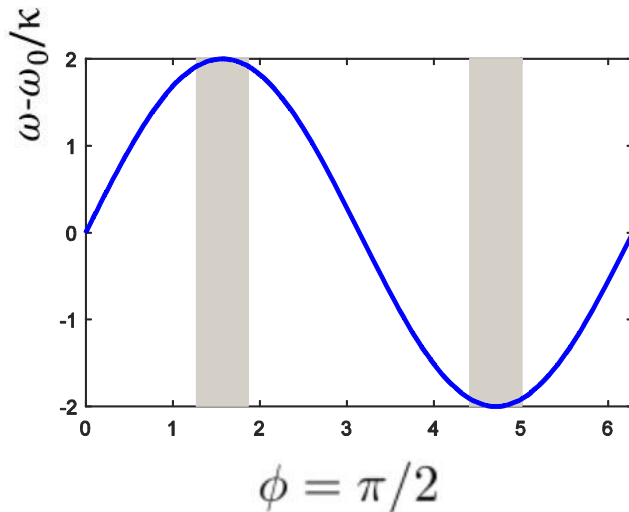
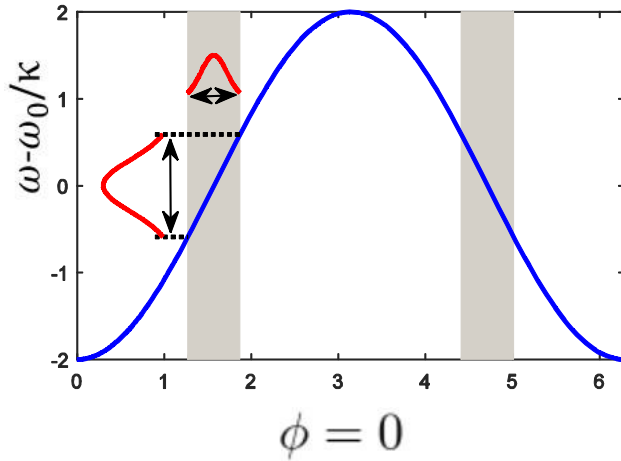
$$v_g = 2\kappa \sin(K - \phi)$$

Phase modulation speed:  
Slow compared with gap

Typically, the bandwidth is about 100MHz

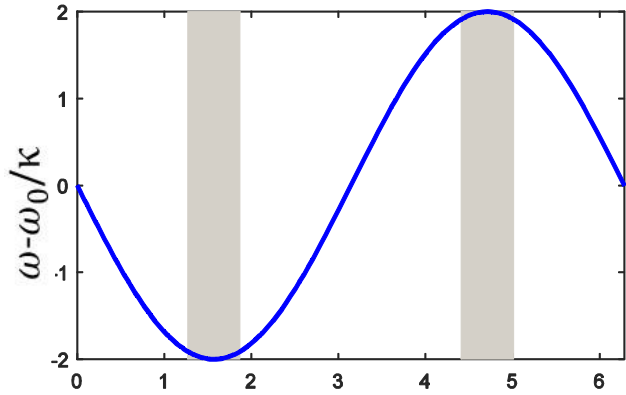


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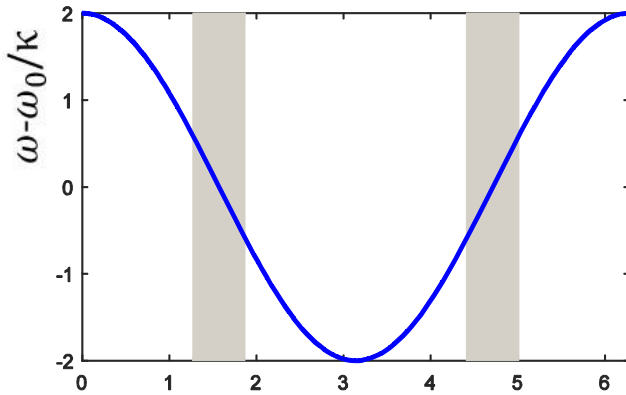




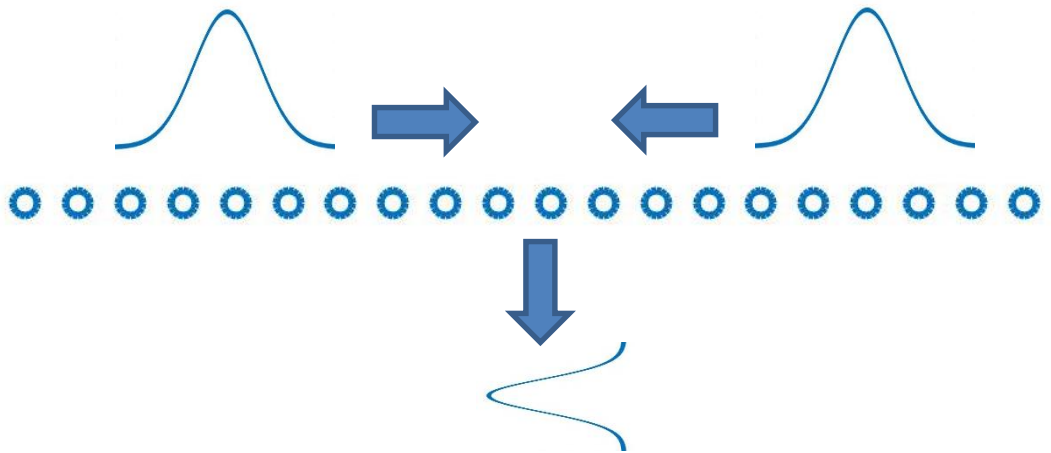
# Quantum memory



$$\phi = -\pi/2$$



$$\phi = -\pi$$



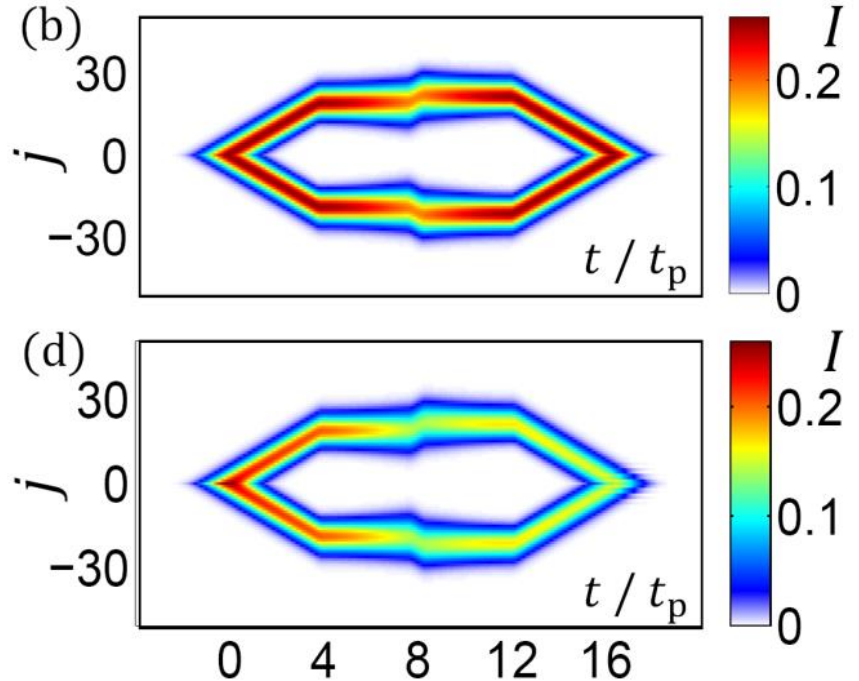
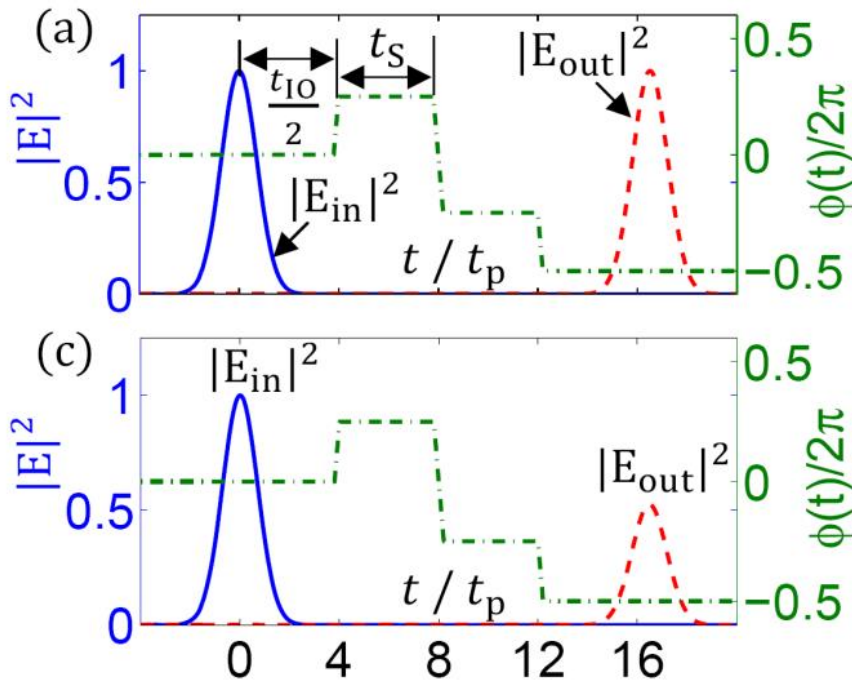
Storage time :  $t_{IO} + 2t_s$



# Quantum memory

Pulse propagation:

$$E_{in}^0 = \exp\left(-\frac{t^2}{2t_p^2} - i\omega_0 t\right)$$

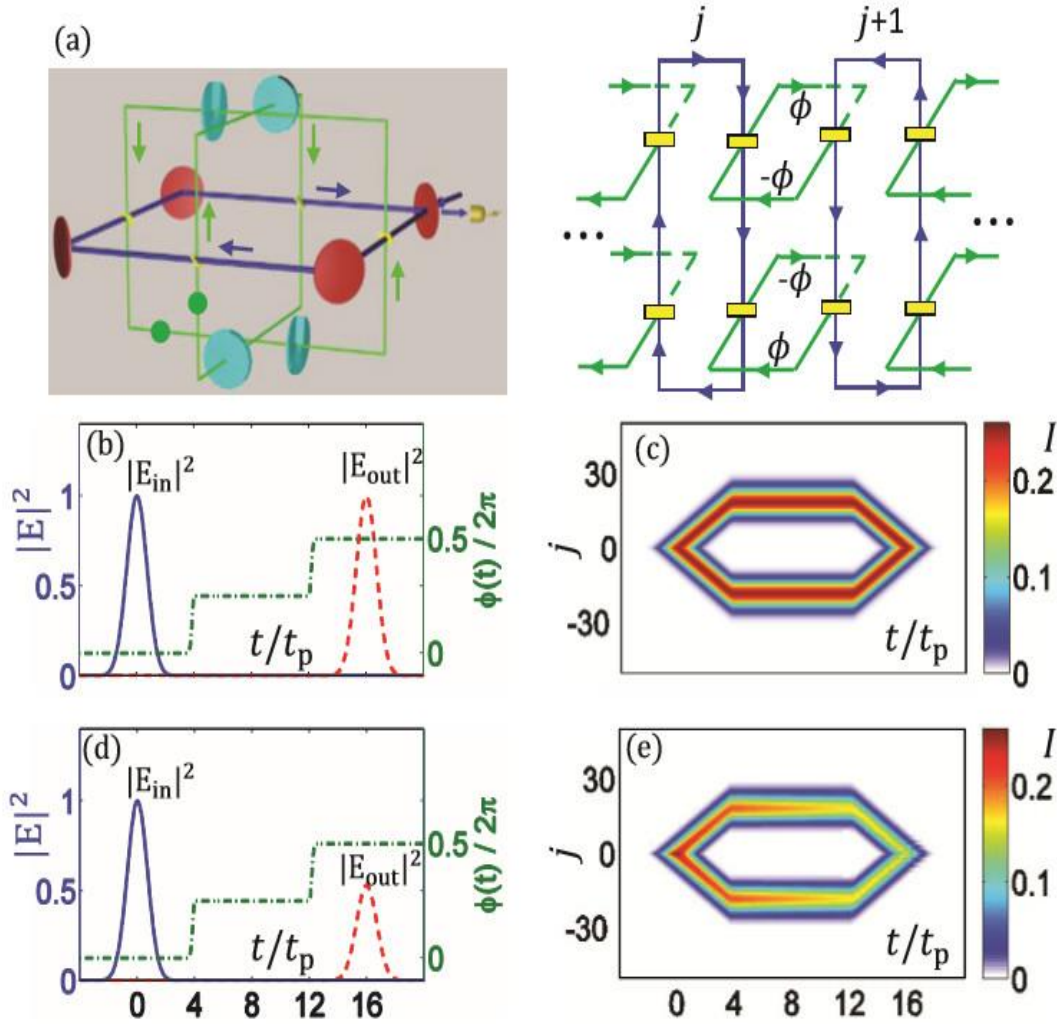


Storage time :  $t_{IO} + 2t_s$

Not on-demand



## On-demand Quantum Memory



Interference between 2 auxiliary cavities

$$\omega = \omega_0 - 2\kappa \cos \phi \cos K$$

$$v_g = 2\kappa \cos \phi \sin K$$

Bandwidth reversibly compressed

No distortion during storage



# summary

- About Synthetic Dimension based on Degenerate Cavity
- Simulating Photonics Topological Matter
- Quantum Memory
- New Applications...

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