

# ***Effective Image Recognition using High-Order Symmetry of Correlated Orbital Angular Momentum (OAM) States***

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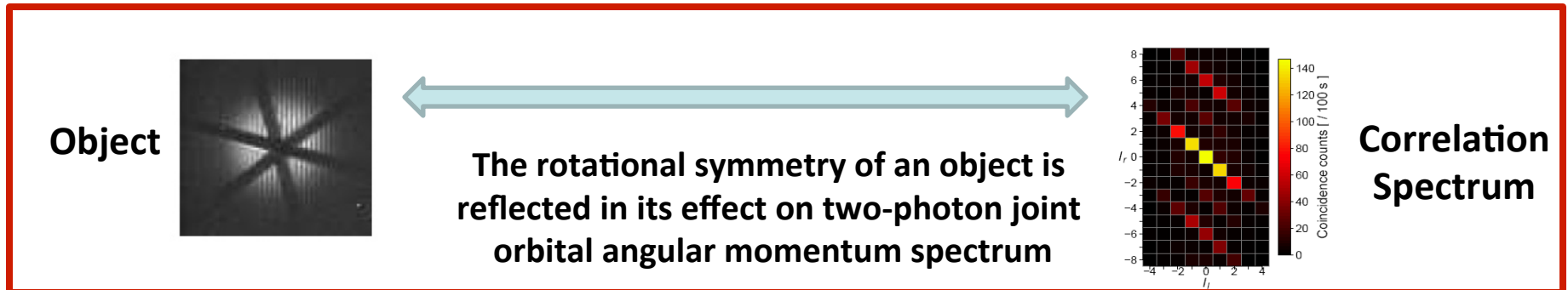
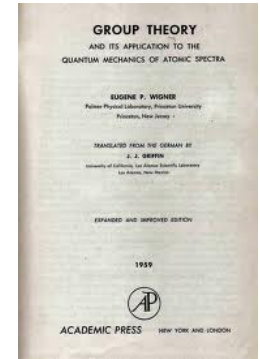
# INTRODUCTION

- Wigner pioneered the use of symmetry to construct angular momentum eigenstates.

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Our goal here is roughly the converse:

- To use quantized optical angular momentum (OAM) eigenstates to evaluate symmetries of objects.



- This approach holds promise for a number of novel applications such as rapid object identification and detection of geometric symmetries with few photons.

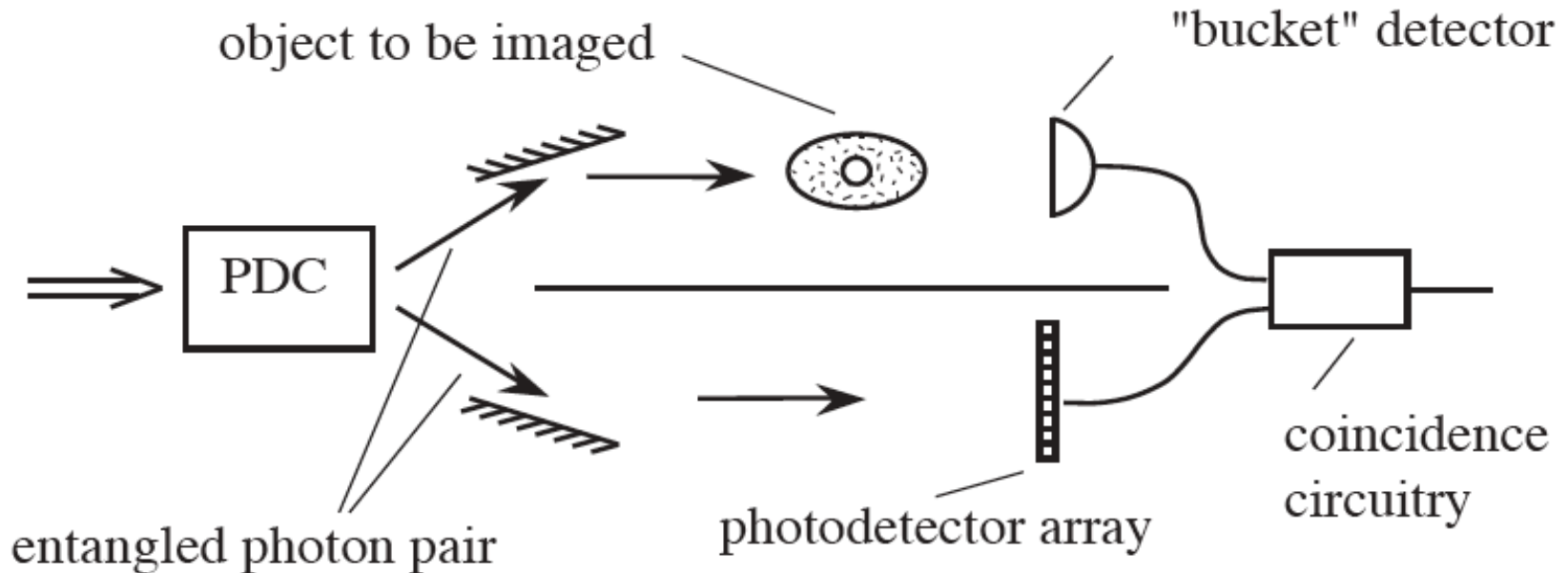
# Motivation

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**How to achieve more efficient recognition of complex unstable (rotating) objects in comparison with existing pixel-by-pixel imaging techniques?**

- 1) Correlated photon illumination and correlated detection provides additional information in imaging .**
- 2) High-order OAM states occupying multi-dimensional Hilbert space provide efficiency in recognition of symmetry features.**

# Ghost (Coincidence) Imaging



- Obvious applicability to remote sensing!  
(imaging under adverse situations, bio, two-color, etc.)
- Is this a purely quantum mechanical process? (No)
- Can Brown-Twiss intensity correlations lead to ghost imaging? (Yes)



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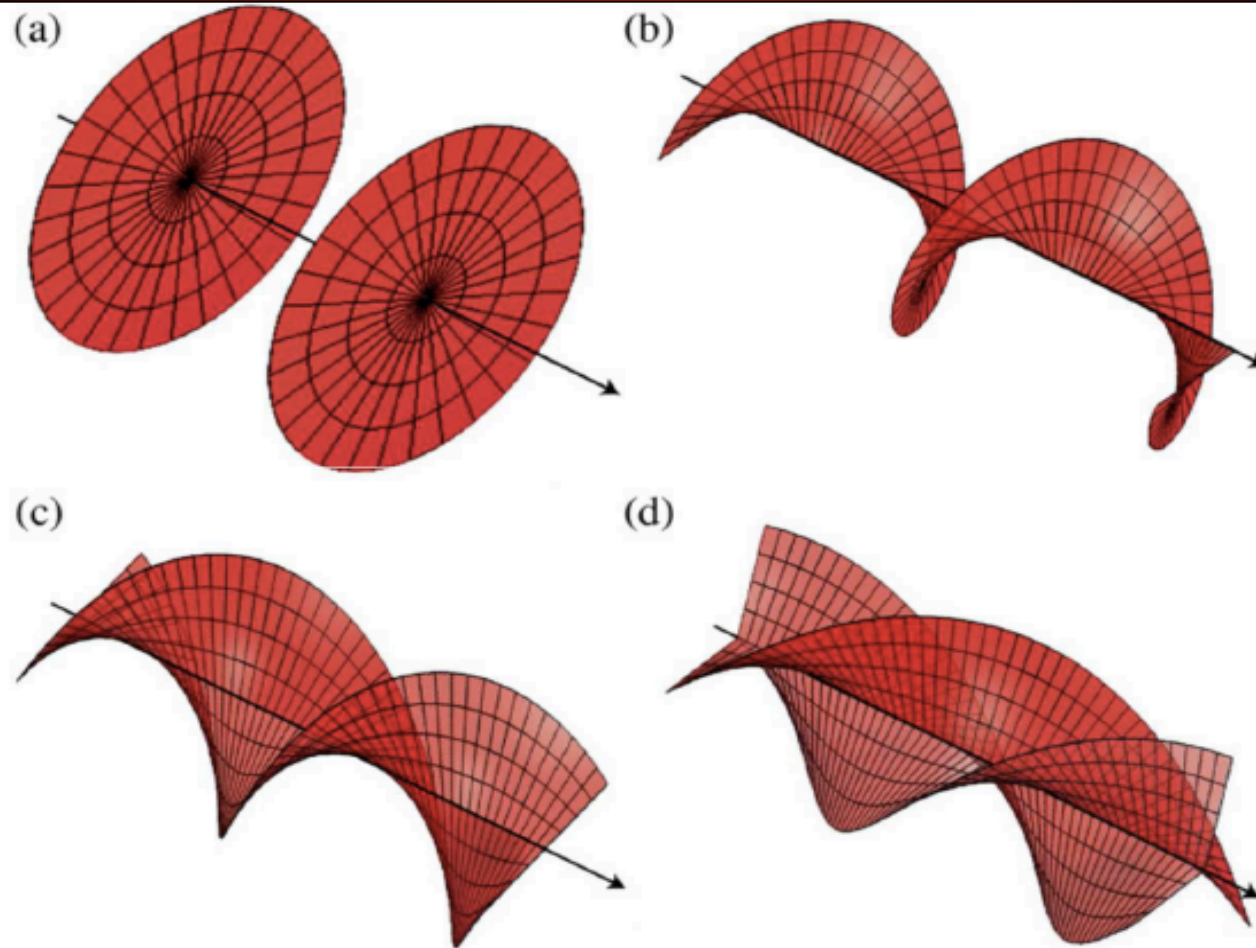
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# Rotating wavefronts

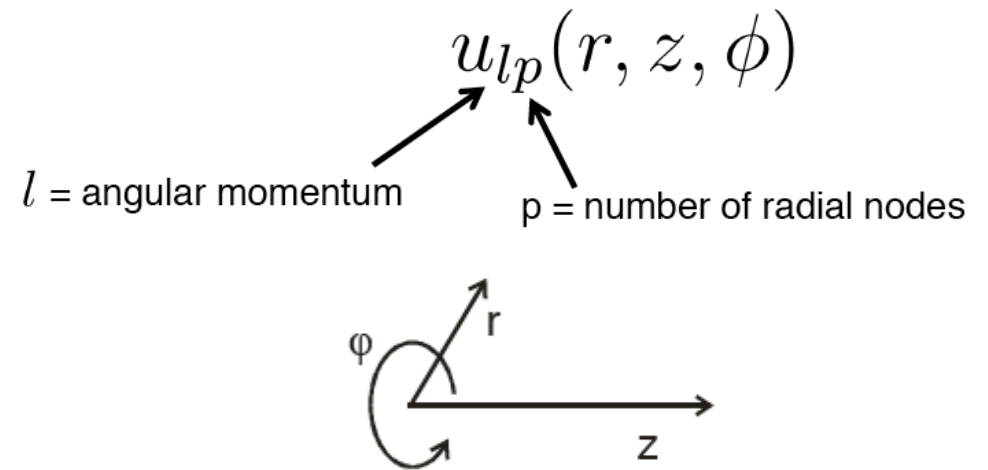
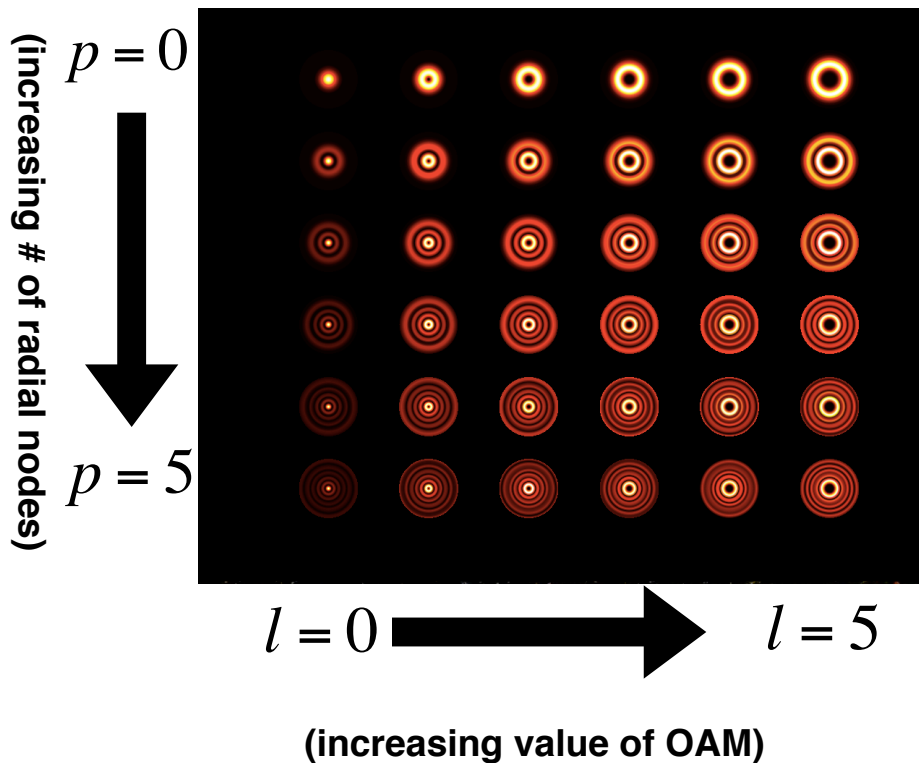


Helical phase fronts for (a)  $\ell = 0$ , (b)  $\ell = 1$ , (c)  $\ell = 2$ , and (d)  $\ell = 3$ .

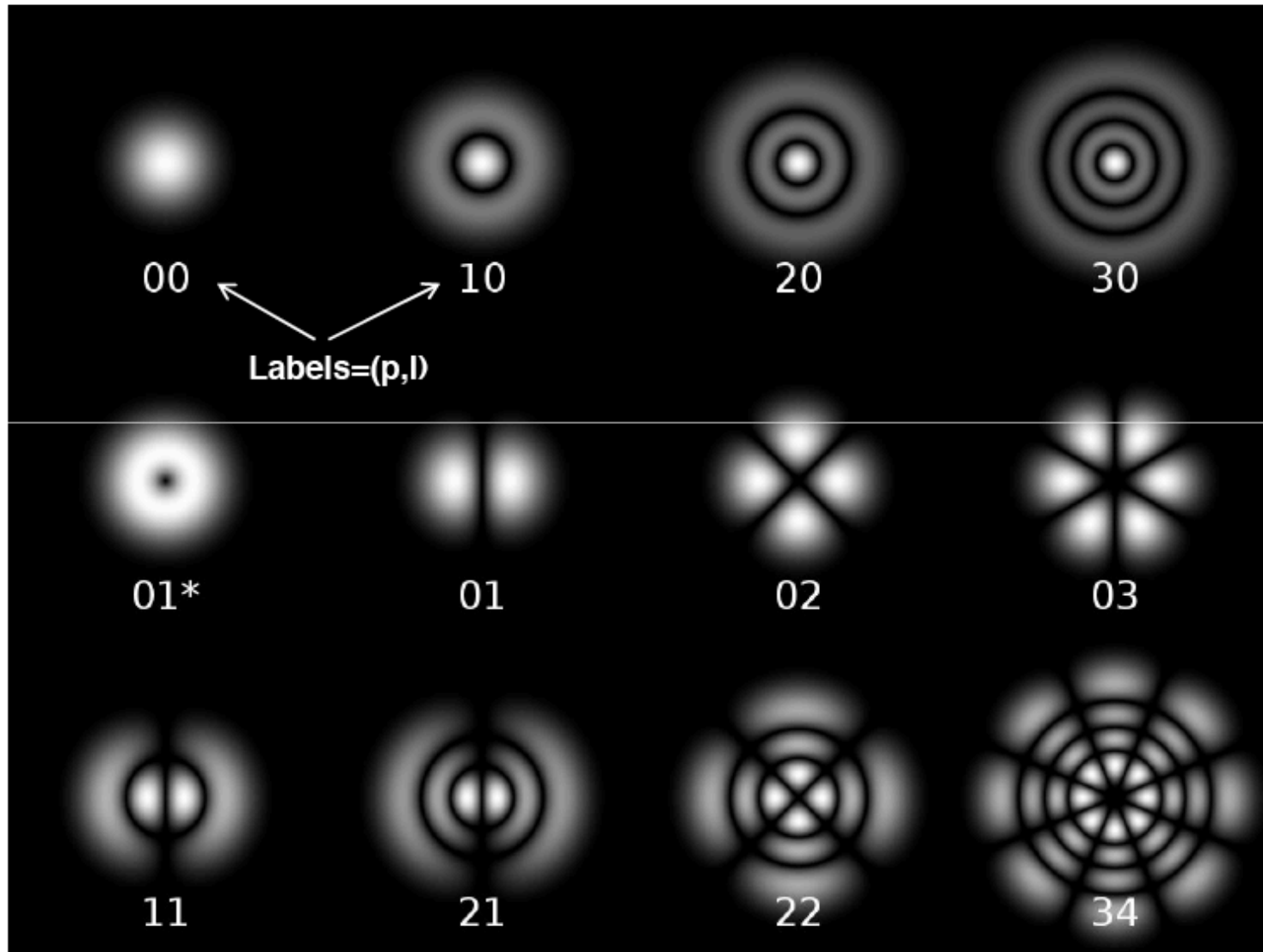
# OAM States

- Each Laguerre-Gauss mode,  $u_{lp}(r, \phi, z)$ , **carries OAM**  $l\hbar$  and has  $p$  radial nodes :  $p \in [0, 1, 2, \dots]$   $l \in [-\infty, \dots -1, 0, 1, \dots, \infty]$

## Intensity Plots $(l, p)$



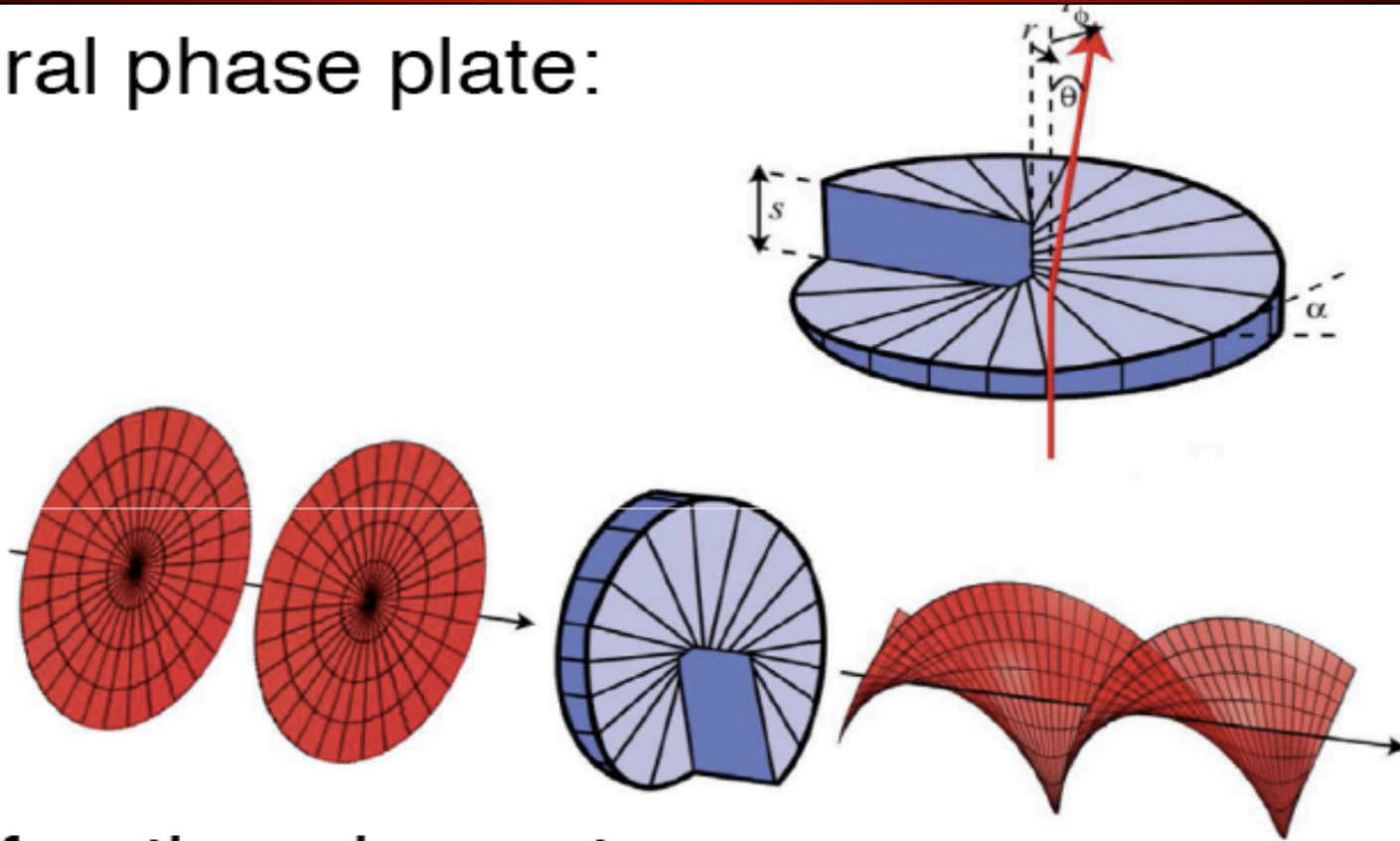
# Laguerre-Gauss Interfered with Plane Wave





# How to produce OAM states?

- Spiral phase plate:



- Refractive element.
- Optical thickness:  $t = \lambda l \phi / 2\pi$

Illustration from A.M. Yau & M.J. Padgett, *Advances in Optics and Photonics* 3, 161–204 (2011)



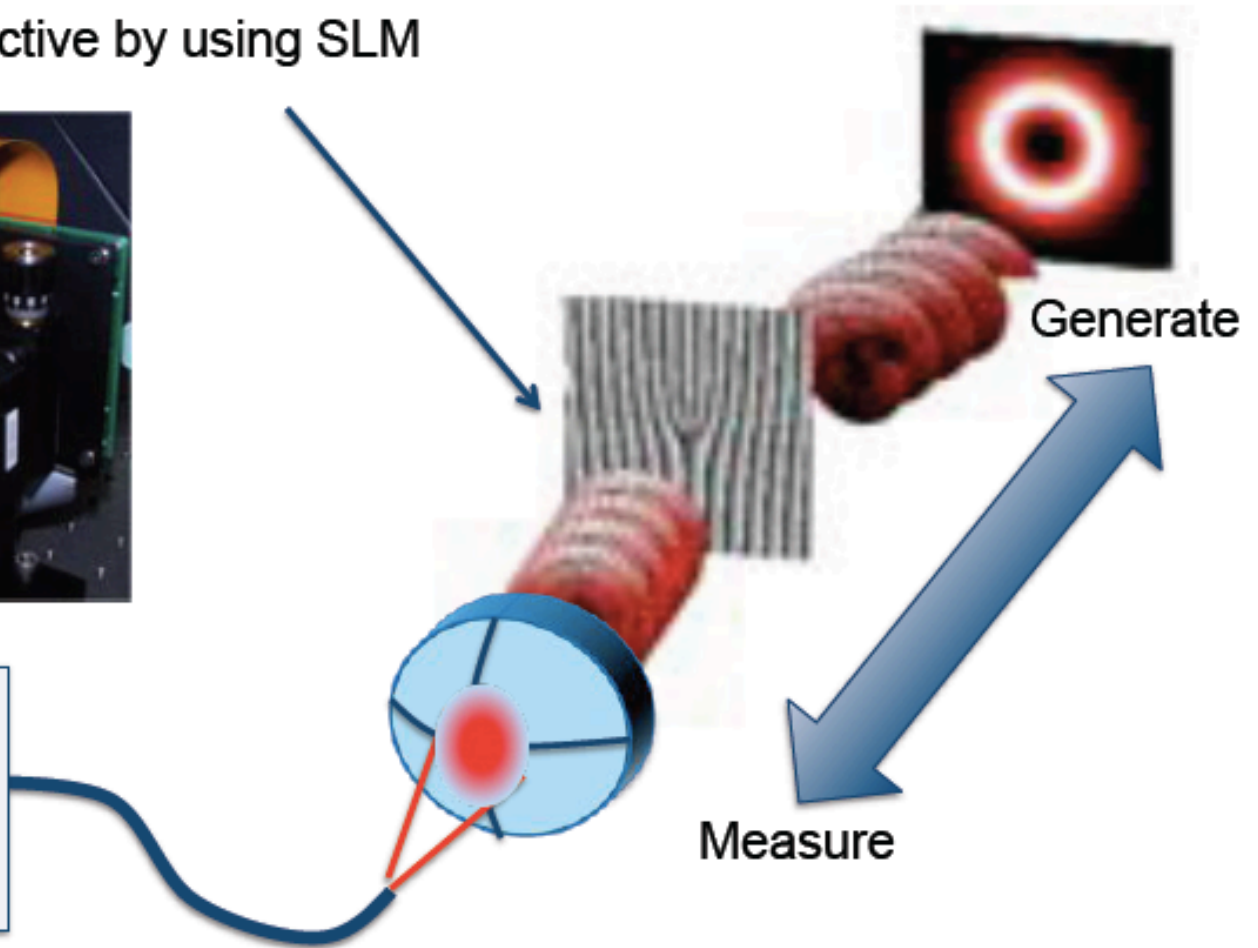
# How to produce OAM states?

Make interactive by using SLM

Switching time  
 $\approx 5\text{-}20\text{mSec}$   
Efficiency  $\approx 50\%$

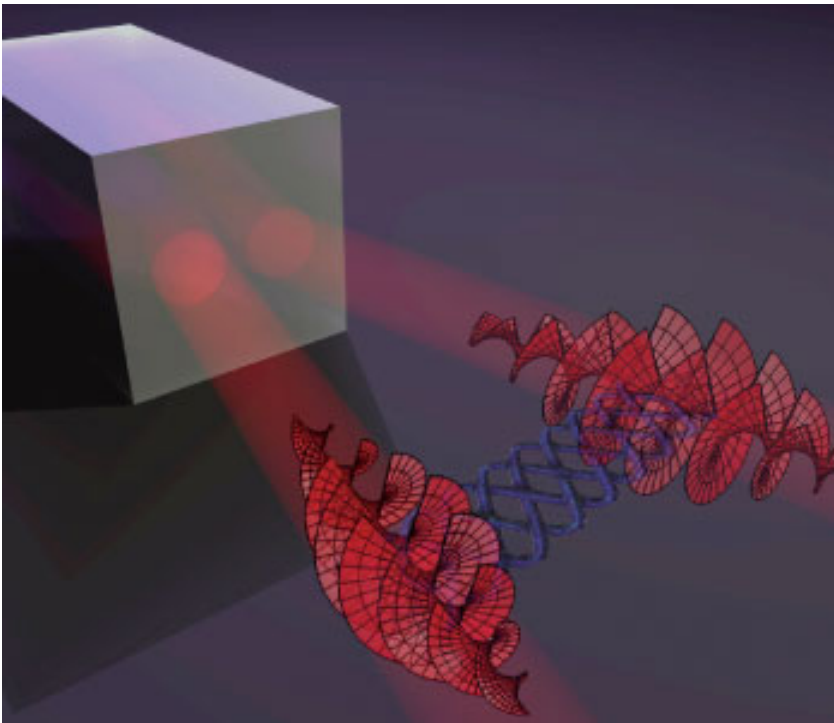


Light source  
OR detector



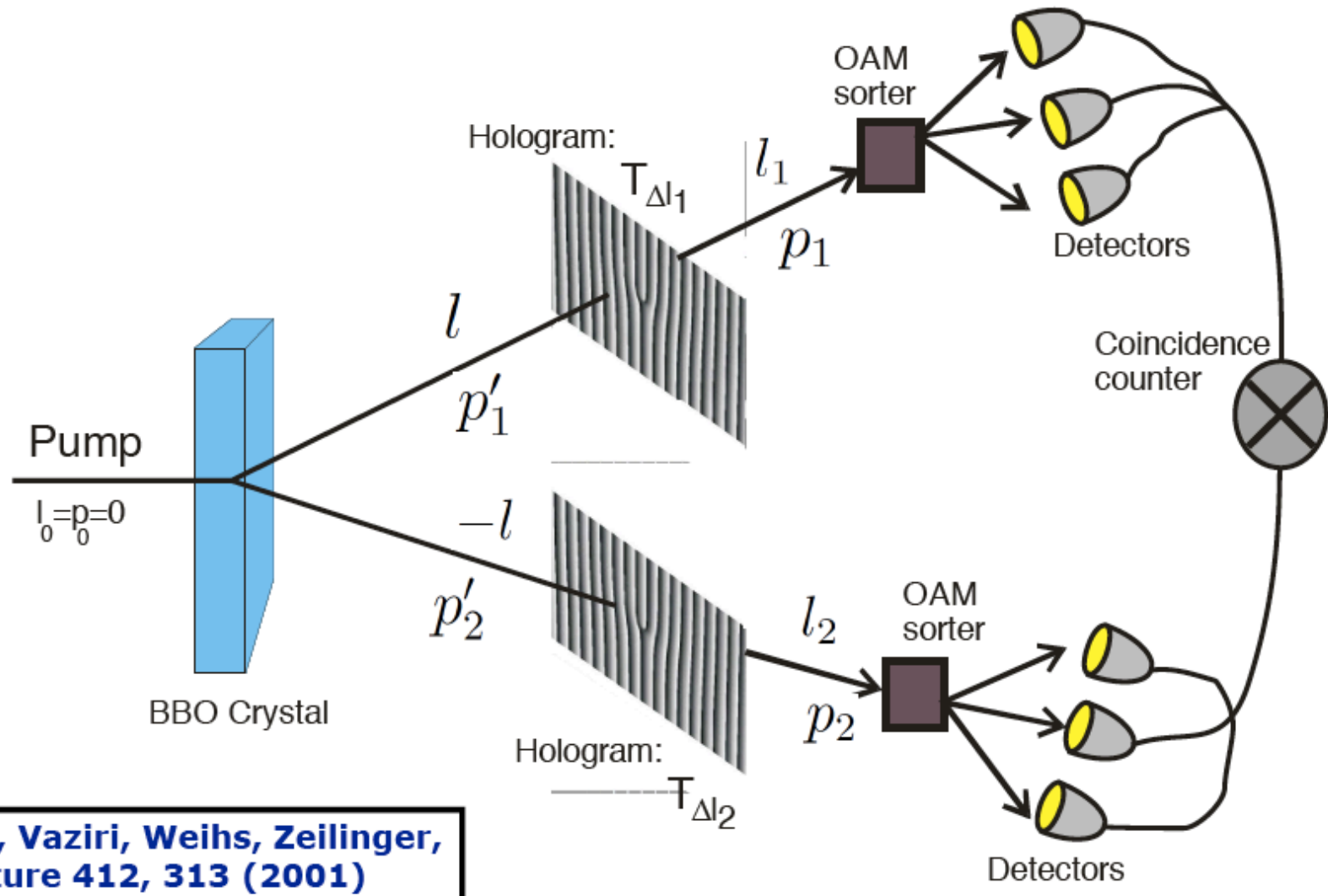
# *Conservation of OAM in parametric down conversion (in paraxial case):*

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$$l_{signal} + l_{idler} = l_{pump}$$

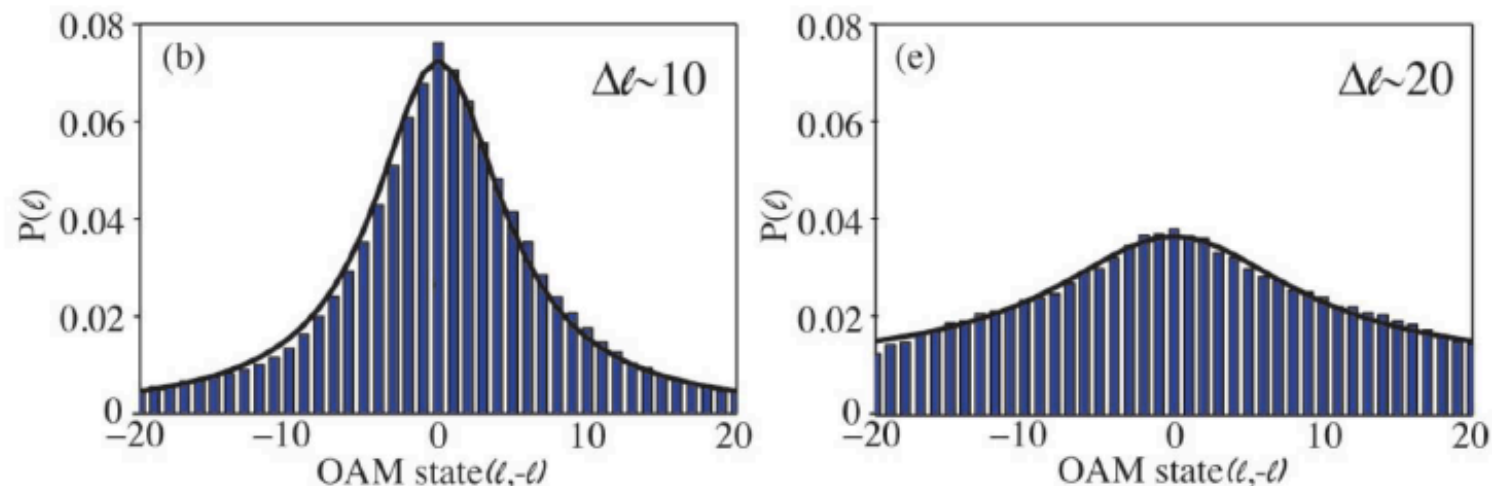
# Entangled OAM



**Mair, Vaziri, Weihs, Zeilinger,  
Nature 412, 313 (2001)**

# Entangled OAM

- The width of the span of OAM values (*the spiral spectrum*) depends on properties of pump and crystal.
- Entangled spiral spectra several dozen values wide have been achieved:

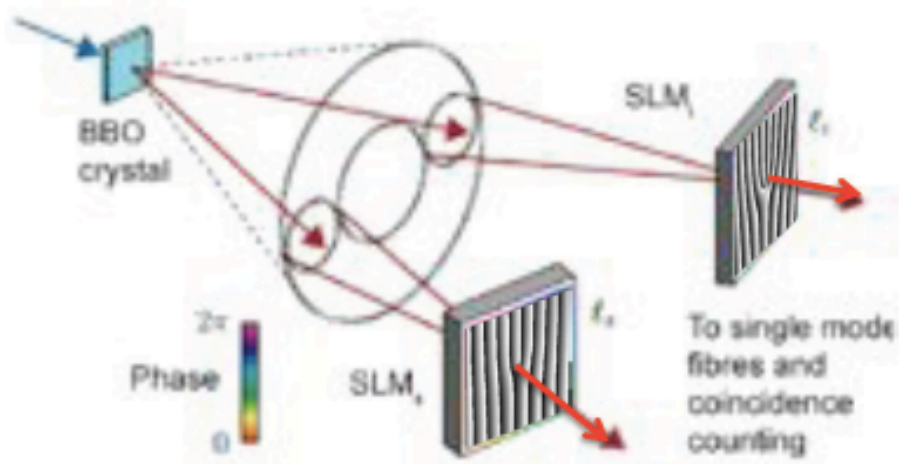


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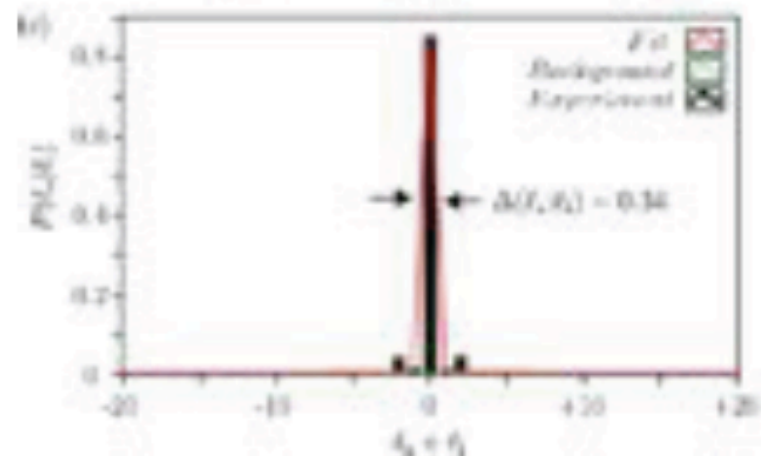
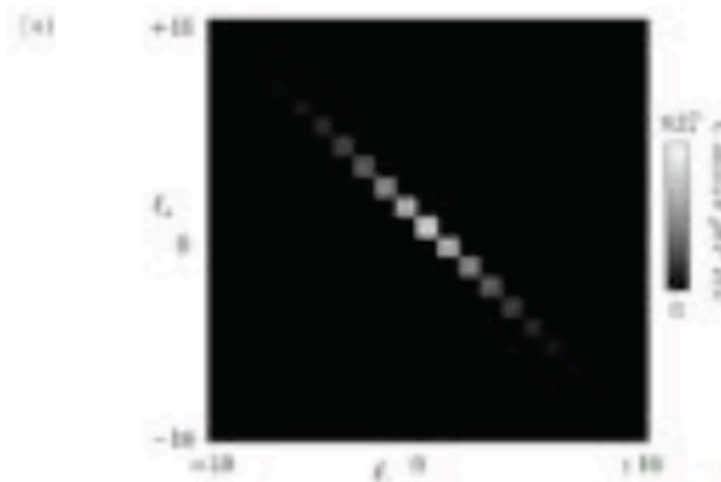
# SPDC and correlated OAM

## Correlations angular momentum

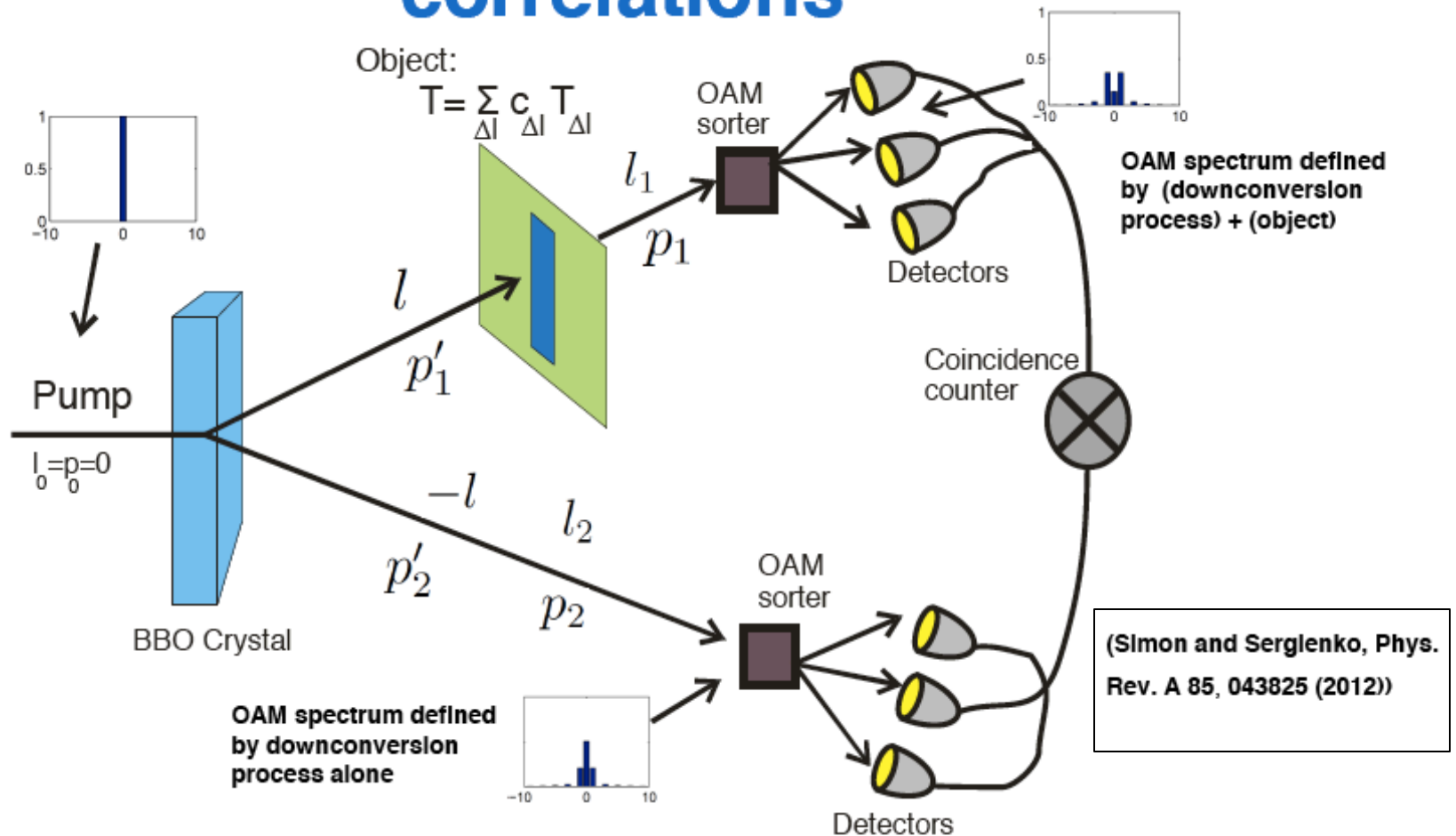
(b) Orbital angular momentum measurements



Near perfect (anti)  
Correlations in Angular  
momentum



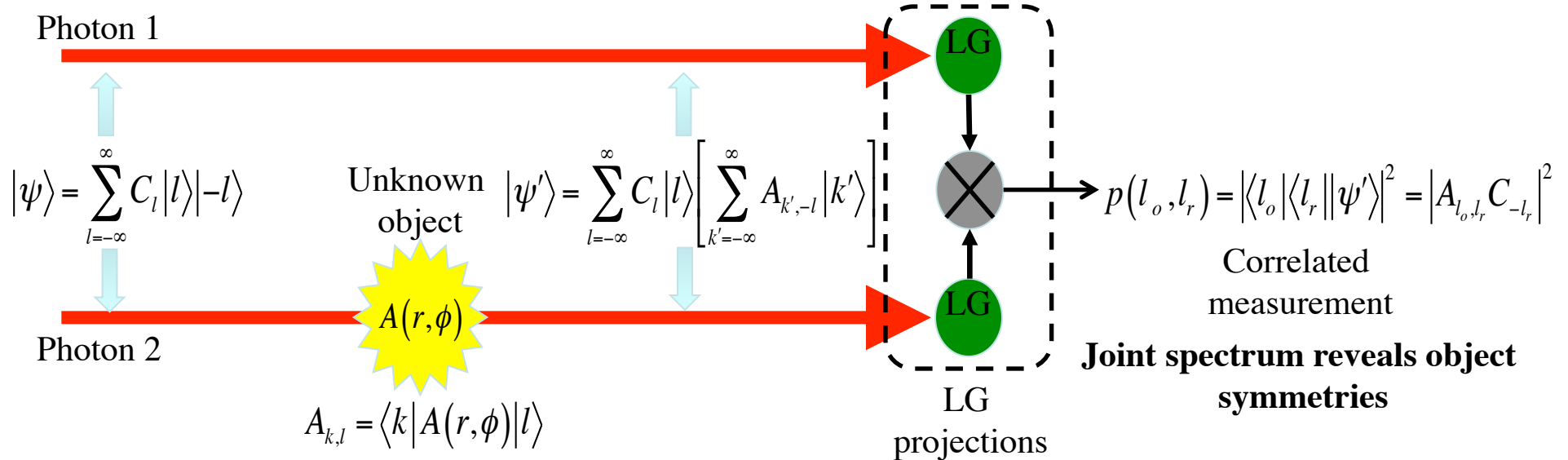
# Studying effect of object on OAM correlations



- Correlations should be capable of reconstruction object.



# Correlated OAM Imaging

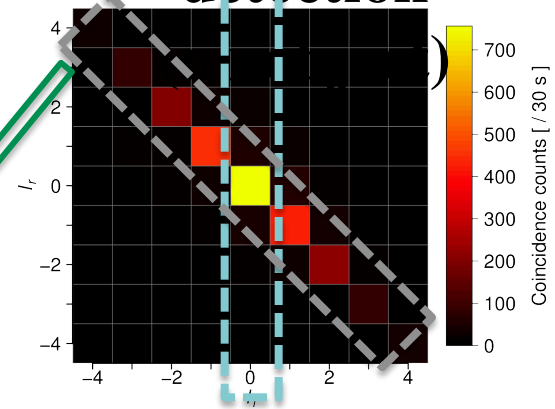
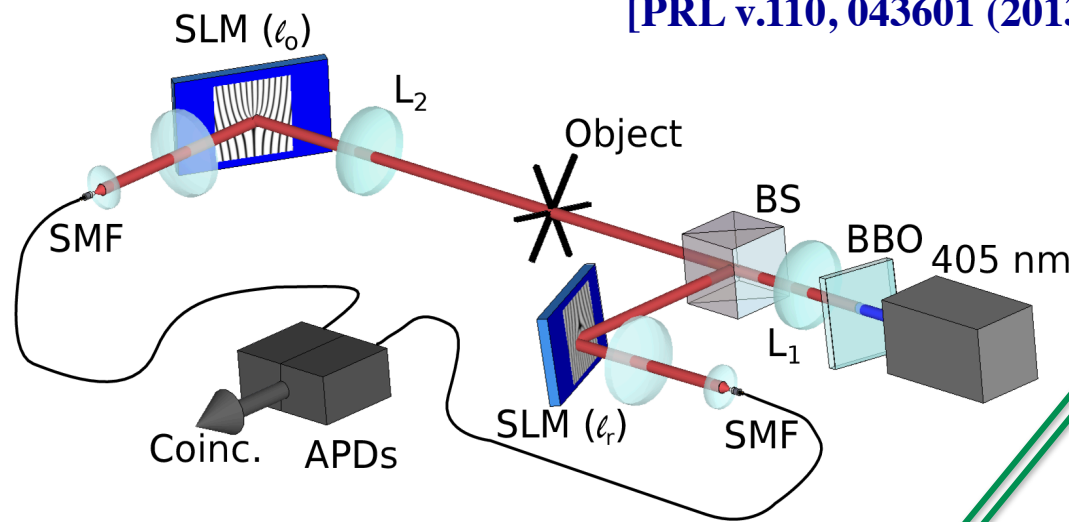


# Hi-efficiency object identification using correlated orbital angular momentum states

OAM base is more sensitive to symmetry features of objects

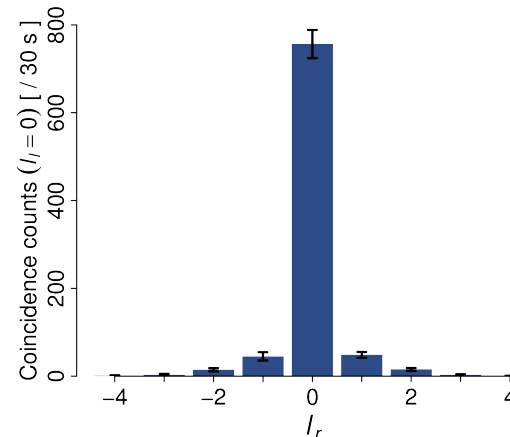
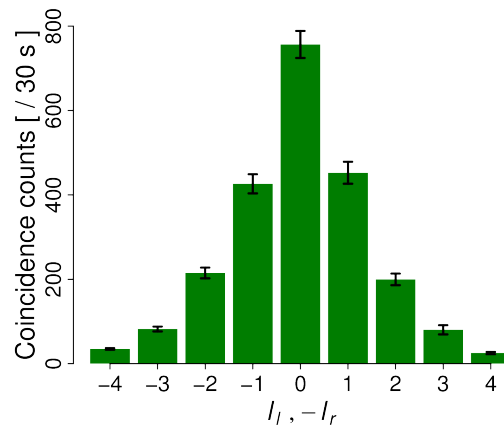
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## Correlated OAM detection



Diagonal elements ( $l_0 = -l_r$ )  
conventional OAM imaging  
(no object)

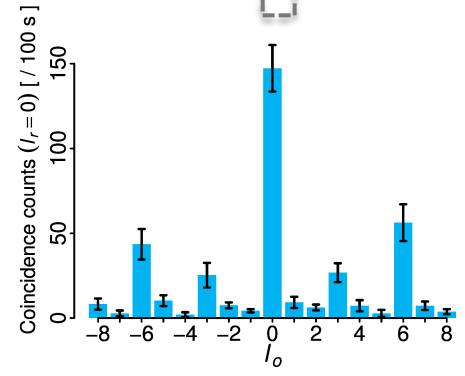
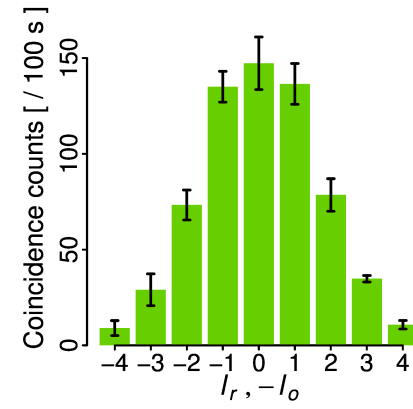
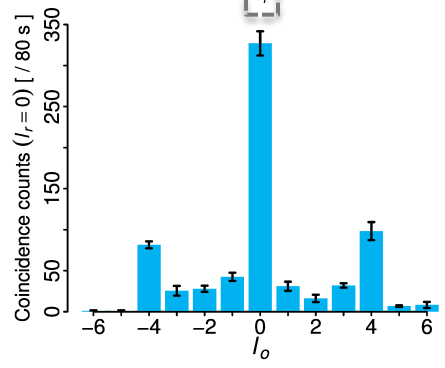
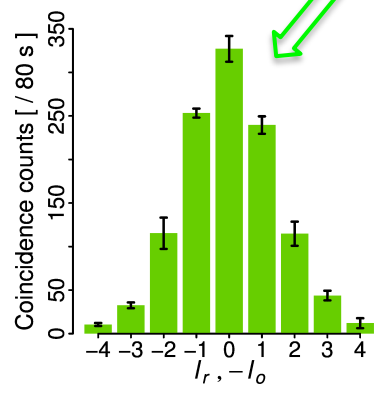
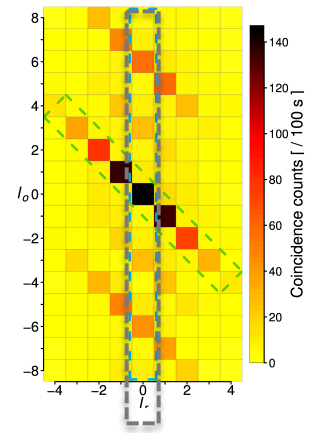
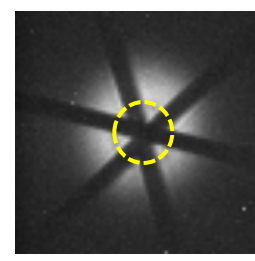
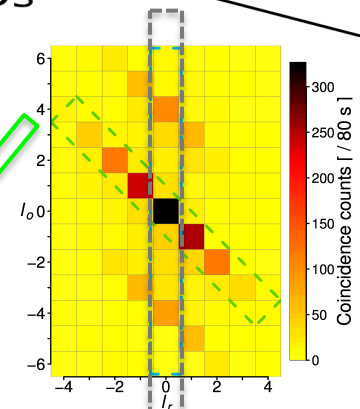
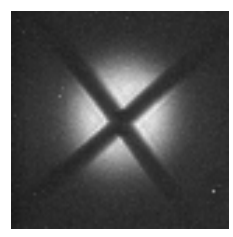
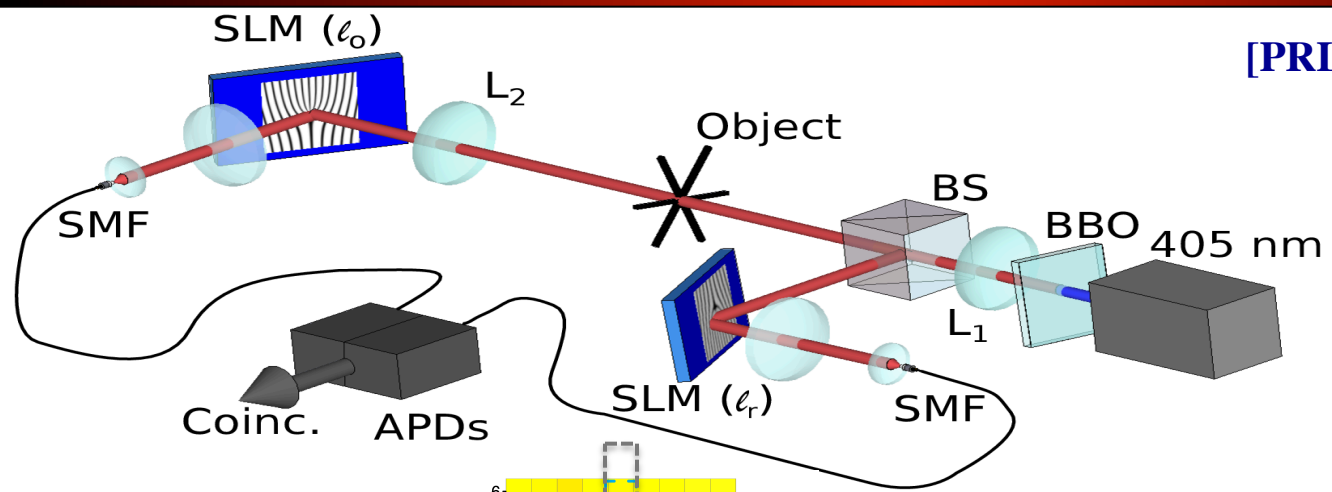
Off-diagonal elements - OAM  
signatures of scattering objects  
(no object)



# Hi-efficiency object identification using correlated orbital angular momentum states

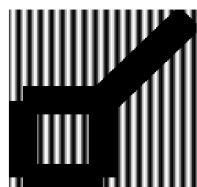
**Novelty:** Off-diagonal correlation elements reveal OAM signatures of the object

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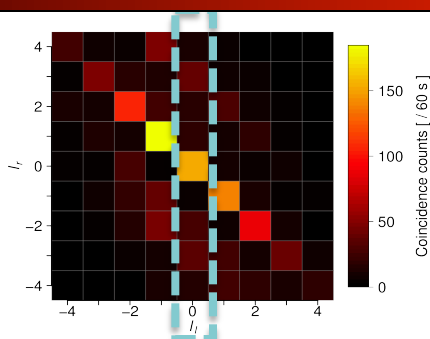


# Hi-efficiency object identification using correlated orbital angular momentum states

Correlated OAM provides more information about the object per detected photon



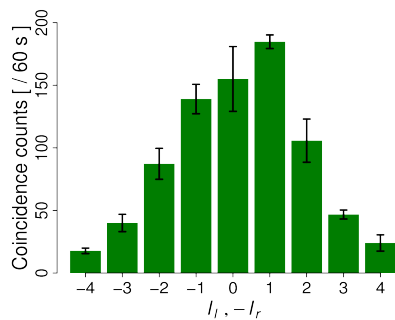
“Tank”



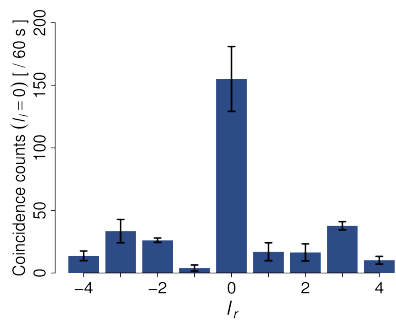
Shannon information:

$$I = \sum_{l_0, l_r} p(l_0, l_r) \log_2 p(l_0, l_r)$$

$p(l_0, l_r)$  = probability distribution for coincidences



Traditional OAM imaging (diagonal)



New correlated OAM imaging (vertical)

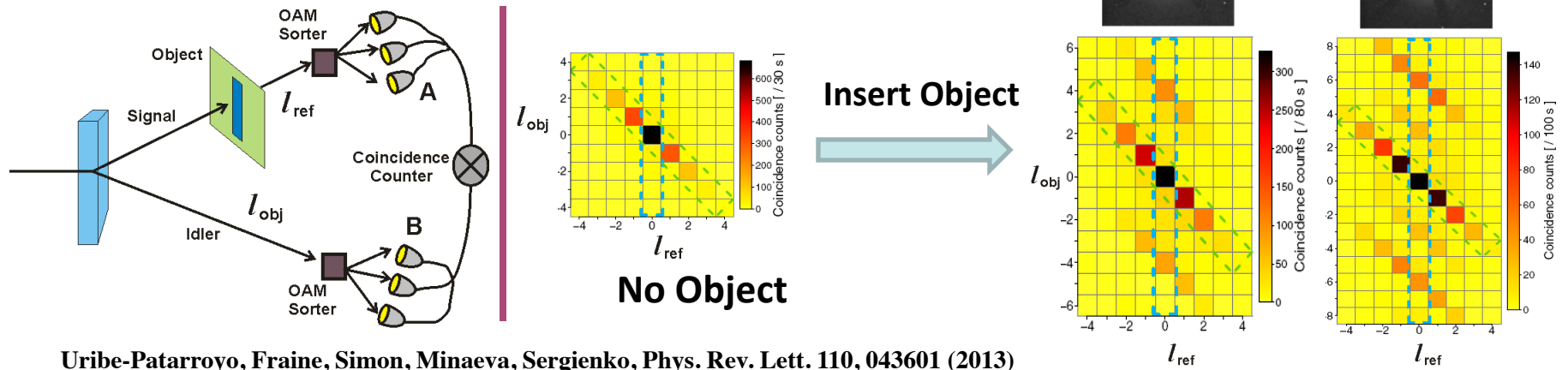
**No object:** terms restricted to diagonal, contain information about SPDC and pump.

**With object:** Off-diagonal terms contain information *only* about object.

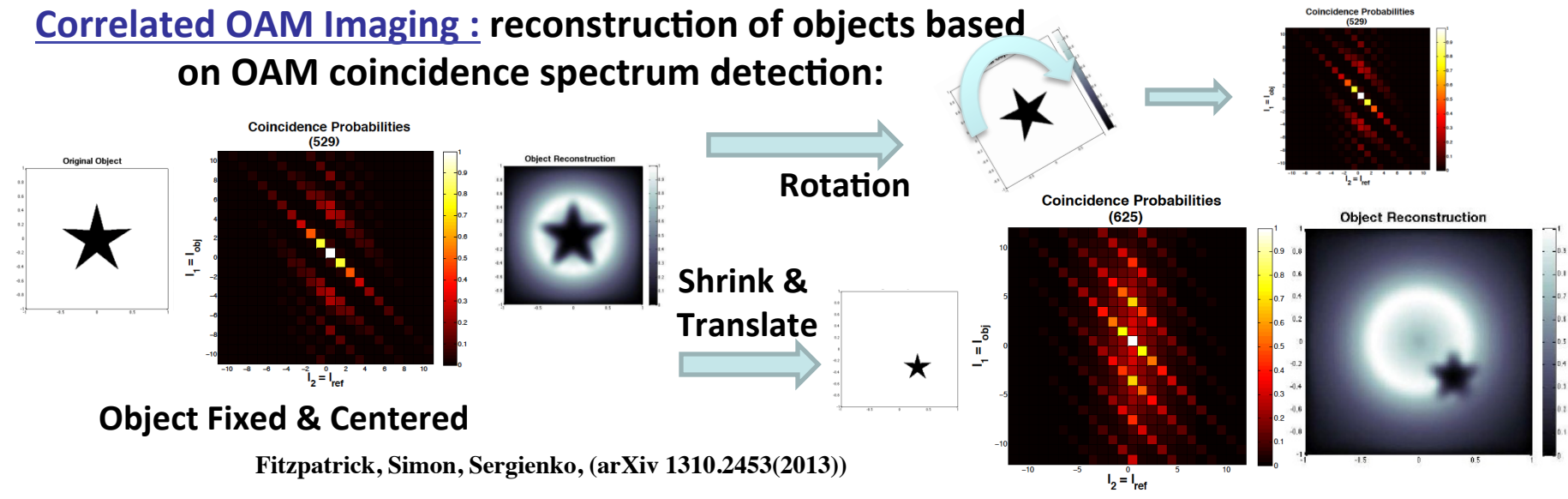
For objects considered, information per photon pair carried by off-diagonal elements:  $I \approx 5.7$  bits

# Object Recognition with Correlated OAM

**Sensing symmetry:** coincidence counts versus orbital angular momenta (OAM) of two entangled photons:



**Correlated OAM Imaging:** reconstruction of objects based on OAM coincidence spectrum detection:



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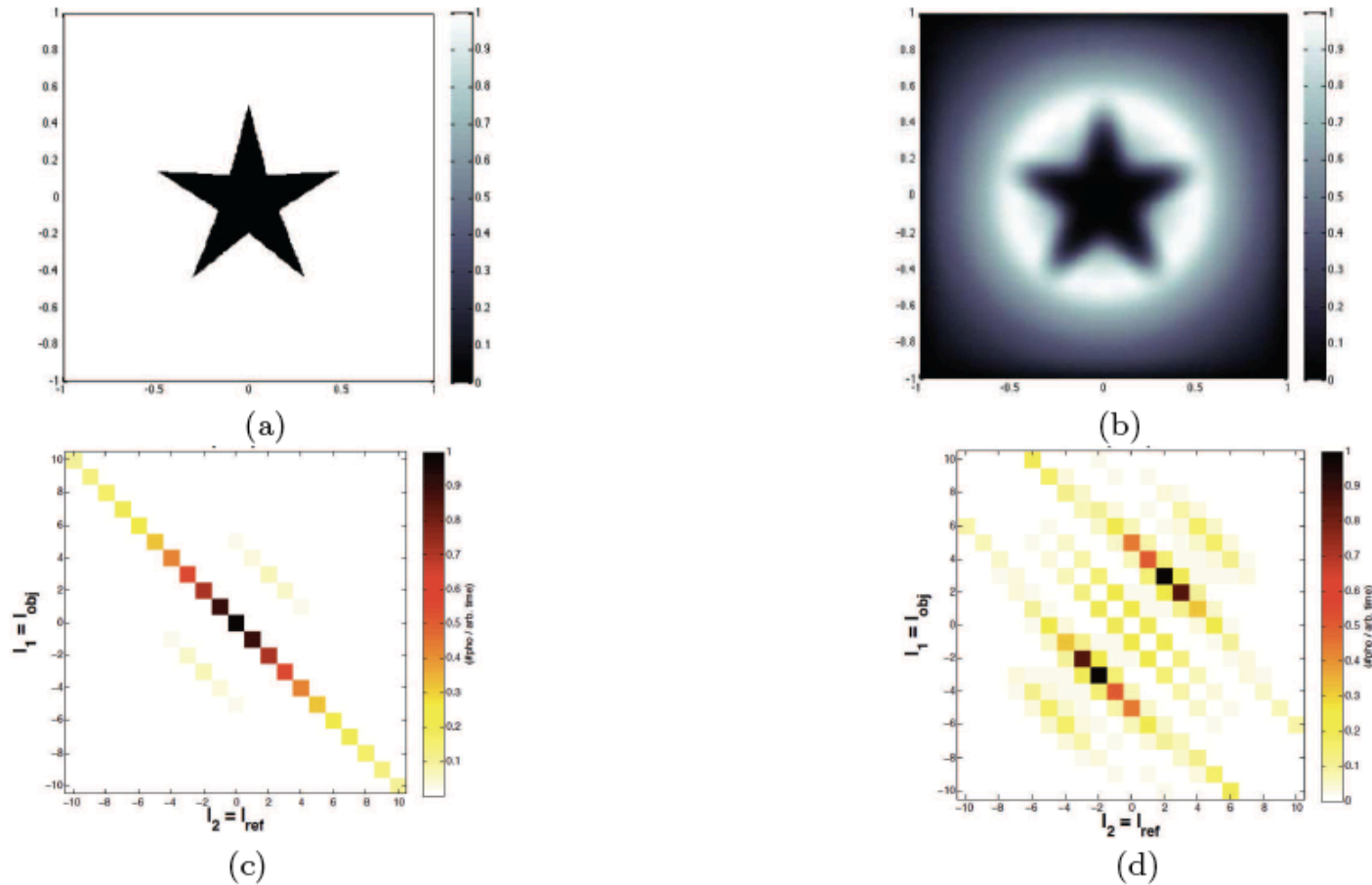


FIG. 15: (a) Opaque star object of max width  $0.9w_0$  and, (b) the ESI reconstruction using  $l_{max} = 10$ ,  $p_{max} = 7$ ; (c) The joint OAM spectrum of the star, having summed over all  $p$ , and (d) the same spectrum with the conservation diagonal removed.

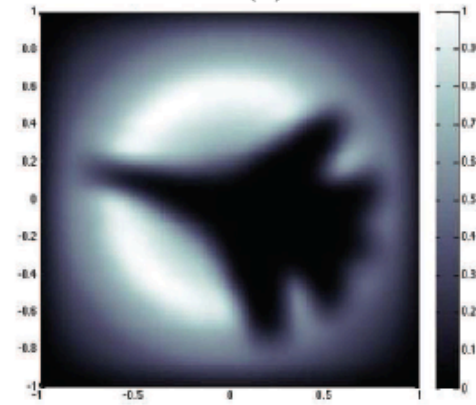
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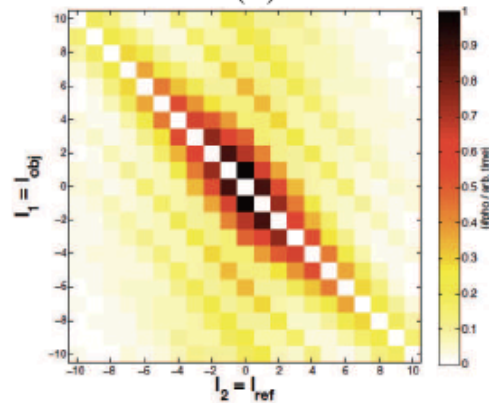
# Object Recognition with Correlated OAM



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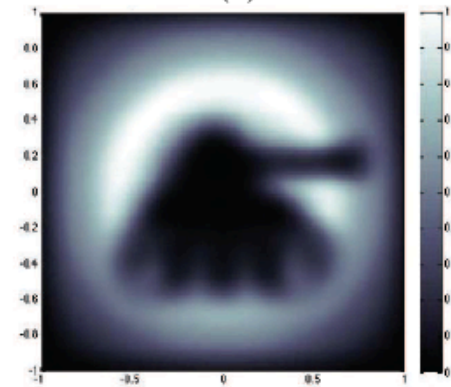
(b)



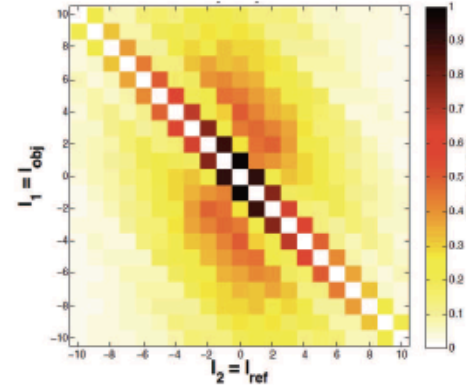
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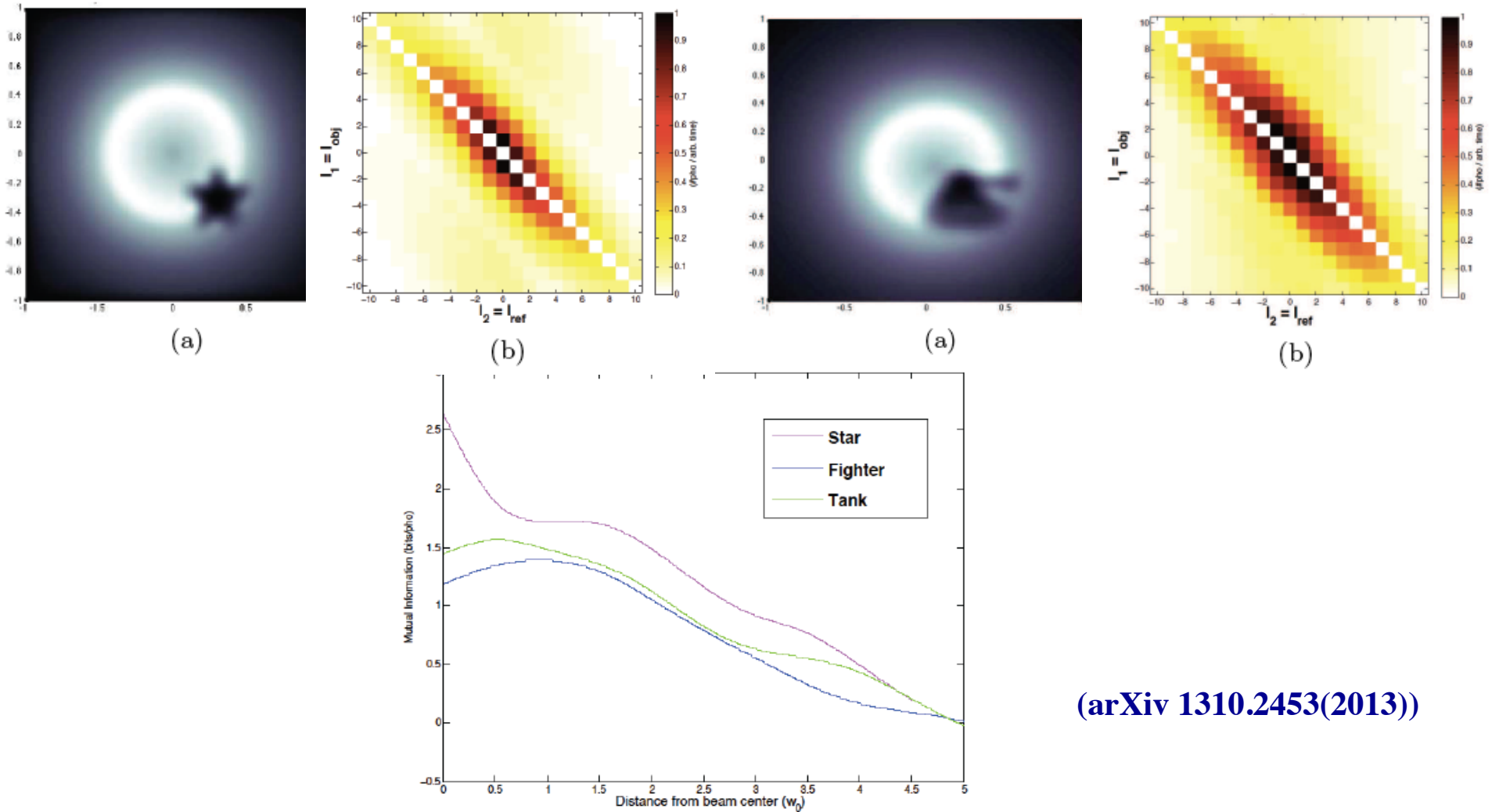
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(c)

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# Object Recognition and Imaging with Correlated OAM (off-axis)



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FIG. 21: Mutual information carried by off-diagonal components of joint OAM spectrum, for various objects, as a function of distance from beam center with  $l_{max} = 10, p_{max} = 5$ ; increasing  $p_{max}$  will increase the mutual information substantially. Note that each object's off-diagonal information content exceeds one bit per photon at the beam center.

# Conclusions and Future

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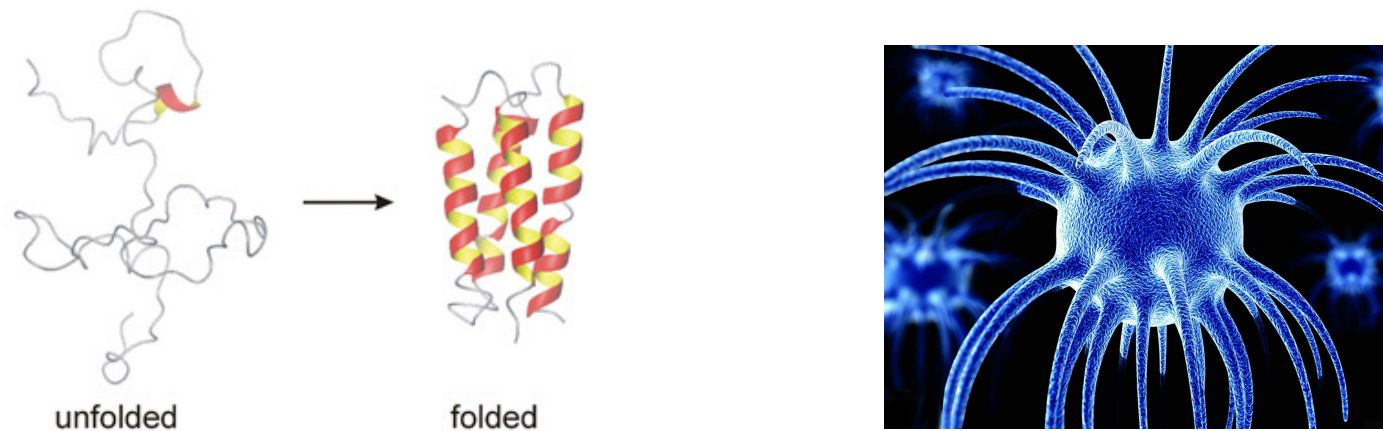
- **Experimental demonstration of efficient object identification with correlated OAM spectrum detection**
- **Hi-information capacity object recognition due to enhanced sensitivity of OAM to symmetry components of the object**

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# Conclusions and Future

## Future:

Possible applications in biology include efficient non-invasive recognition of biological samples with particular symmetries in known states. For example, protein folding and virus detection. In addition, efficient recognition of fabrication abnormalities in industrial quality control could benefit from efficient symmetry detection.



*Different biological objects have distinct azimuthal symmetries*

## Future:

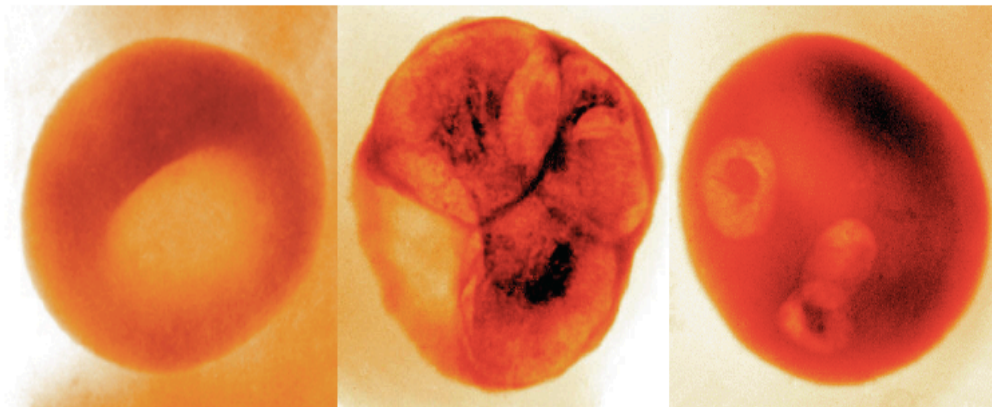
# Efficient Object Imaging using Correlated (Compressive) imaging with OAM X-rays

## Applications in biology and security

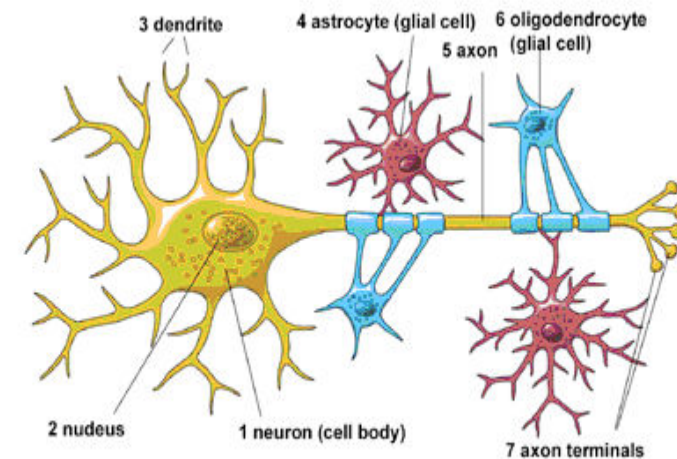
Single-photon X-ray correlation and phase gratings for OAM creation and detection is technologically feasible

Phase sensitive detection will be replaced by X-ray tomography

Conventional X-ray imaging of symmetry-dependent changes in blood cells that could be replaced by more efficient correlated OAM detection



*X-ray images of malaria infected blood cells obtained at 2.4nm wavelength.  
Left: uninfected cell, Center: newly infected cell, Right: cell 36h after infection.*



The architecture of the neuron.

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