

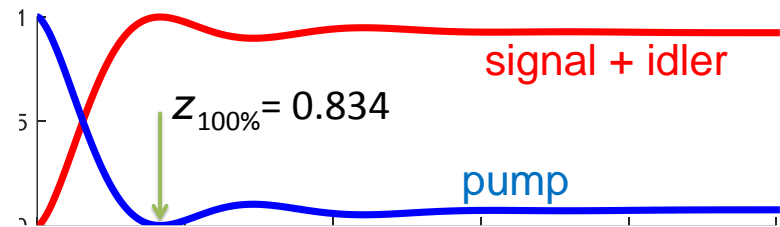
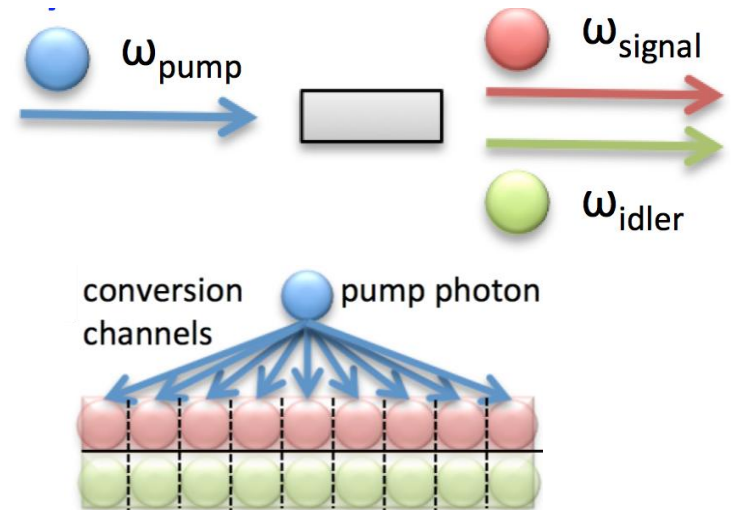
# Нелинейная динамика фотонов в квантовой оптике

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- Introduction: 1 to 2 photon conversion in nonlinear media
- Rabi oscillations – or not?
- Frequency dispersion and decay to a continuum
- Prediction of complete conversion
- Conclusion and outlook

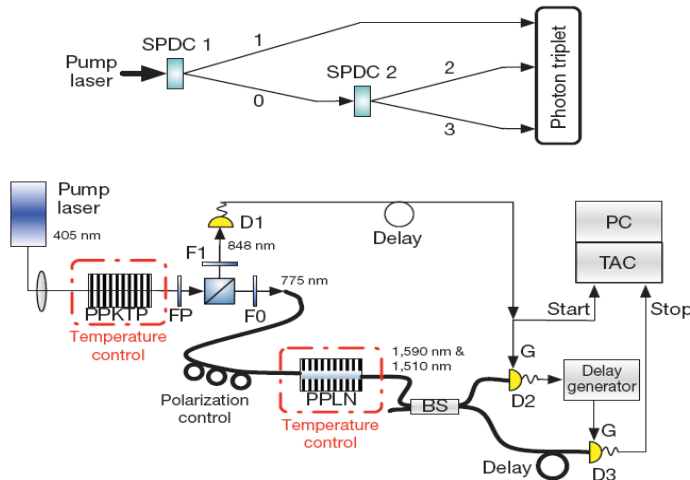


# Single photon conversion

- produce heralded multi-photon entanglement
- create optically switchable quantum circuits
- implement an improved form of down-conversion with reduced higher-order effects
- generation of photon triplets

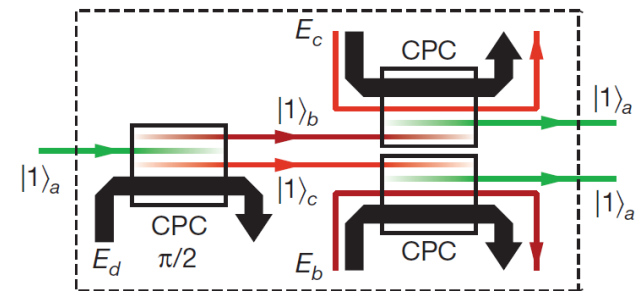


## photon triplets generation



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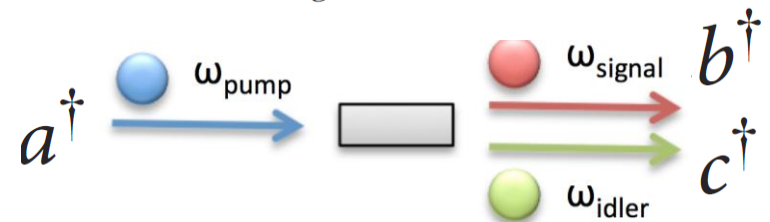
## deterministic photon doubling



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# Efficient quantum computing using coherent photon conversion

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- Effective Hamiltonian

in quadratic nonlinear media  $\tilde{H} = \tilde{\gamma} a b^\dagger c^\dagger + \tilde{\gamma}^* a^\dagger b c$

- Experimental realization with four-wave mixing in Kerr-type (cubic) nonlinear media

$$H = \gamma a b^\dagger c^\dagger d + \gamma^* a^\dagger b c d^\dagger$$

- The fourth wave is a high-power coherent state, providing effective quadratic nonlinearity with  $\tilde{\gamma} \propto \gamma E$

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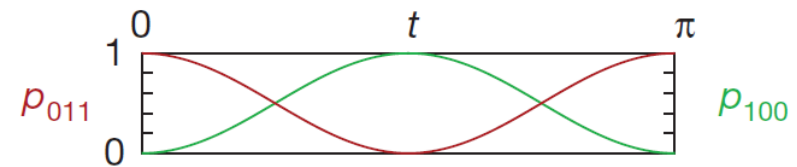
- Predict Rabi-like oscillation between single and biphoton states

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = \cos(\Gamma t)|100\rangle + i \frac{\tilde{\gamma}}{|\tilde{\gamma}|} \sin(\Gamma t)|011\rangle$$

- Experimentally achieved  $\Gamma t \approx 10^{-4}$

- How to improve efficiency?

- **Our work: nontrivial effect of frequency dispersion!**



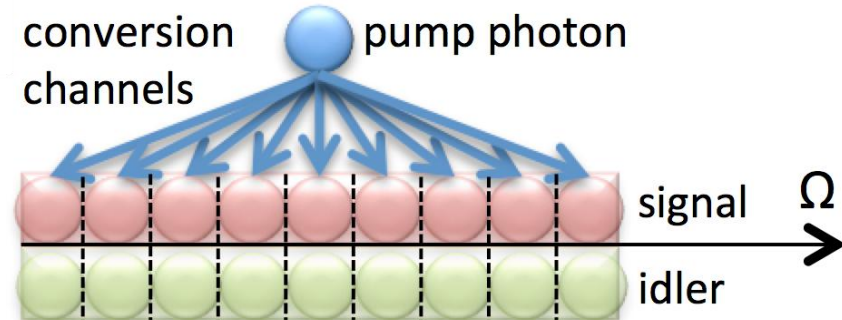
# One and two-photon states



pump photon converts into  
signal and idler photons

$$\omega_p \rightarrow \omega_s + \omega_i;$$

$$\omega_s = \omega_p/2 + \Omega; \quad \omega_i = \omega_p/2 - \Omega.$$

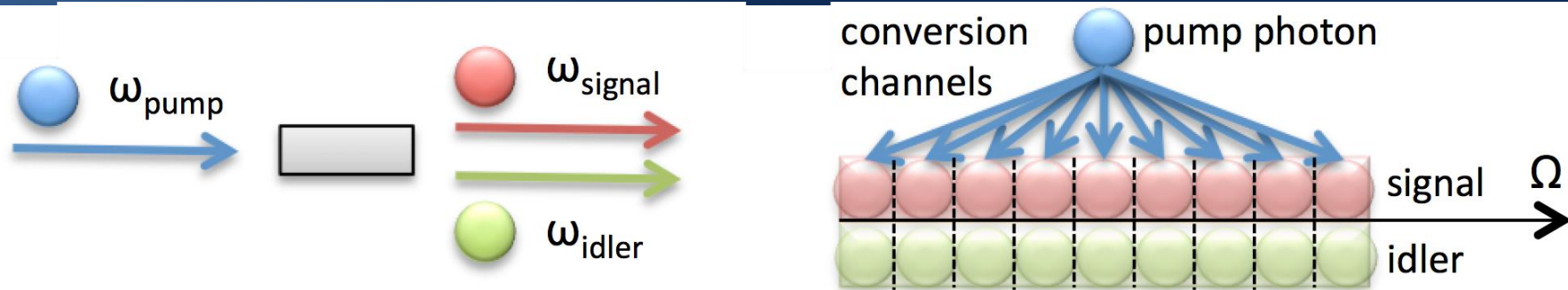


Conversion channels:  
different frequency detunings  
between signal and idler

Single input photon and biphoton states

$$|\psi\rangle = U(z)a_p^+(\omega_p)|0\rangle + \int d\Omega V(\Omega, z)a_s^+(\omega_s)a_i^+(\omega_i)|0\rangle$$

# Evolution of one and two-photon states



## Single input photon and biphoton states

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Coupled-mode Schrödinger-like equations for pump  $U(z)$  and bi-photon  $V(\Omega, z)$  functions

$$\frac{dU}{dz} = -\chi \int d\Omega V(\Omega, z) + i\beta_U(\omega_p)U(z),$$

$$\frac{dV(\Omega, z)}{dz} = \chi U(z) + i\beta_V(\omega_p, \Omega)V(\Omega, z)$$

$\chi$  - nonlinear susceptibility coefficient,  
 $\beta_U$  - the pump mode propagation constant in a single waveguide,  
 $\beta_V$  - signal and idler mode propagation constant.

Conversion rate proportional to square root of the biphoton bandwidth!

# Analogy with decay to a continuum

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## Coherent Dynamics of Complex Quantum Systems

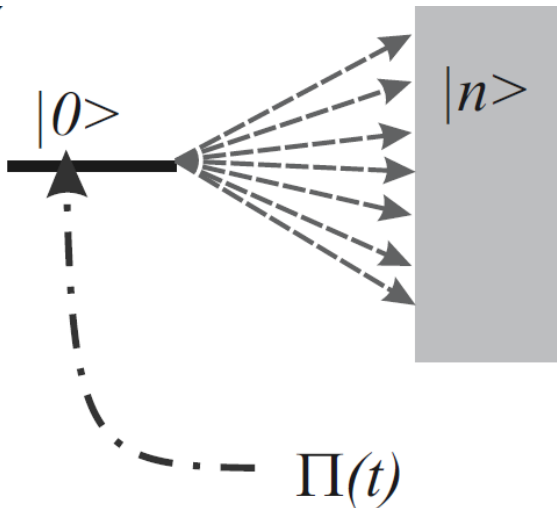
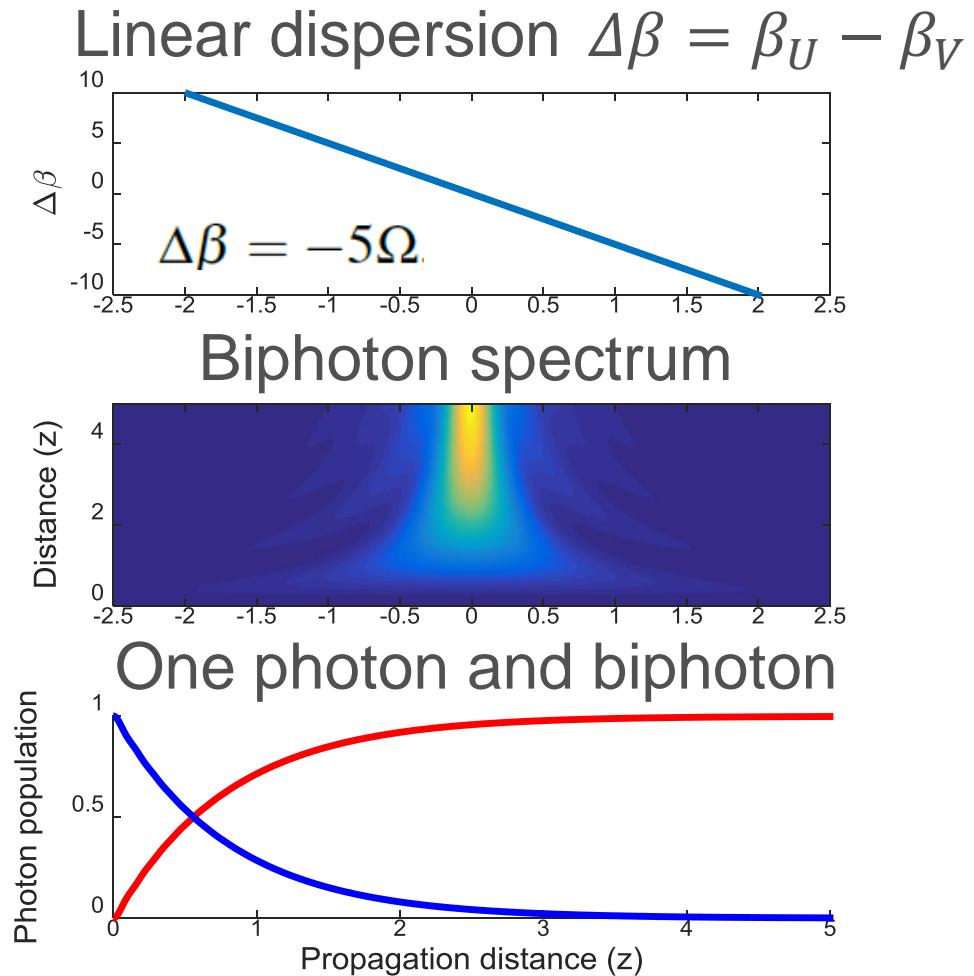


Fig. 3.5. Level-band problem.

- Exponential decay of one-photon state for linear dispersion
- No Rabi oscillations!

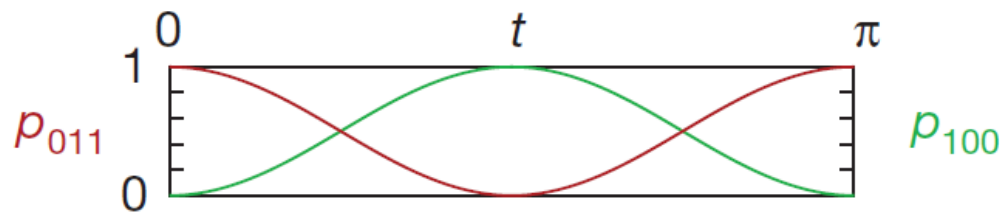




# Why no Rabi oscillations?

- Rabi oscillations predicted in N. K. Langford, S. Ramelow, R. Prevedel, W. J. Munro, G. J. Milburn and A. Zeilinger, Nature **478**, 360-363 (2011).

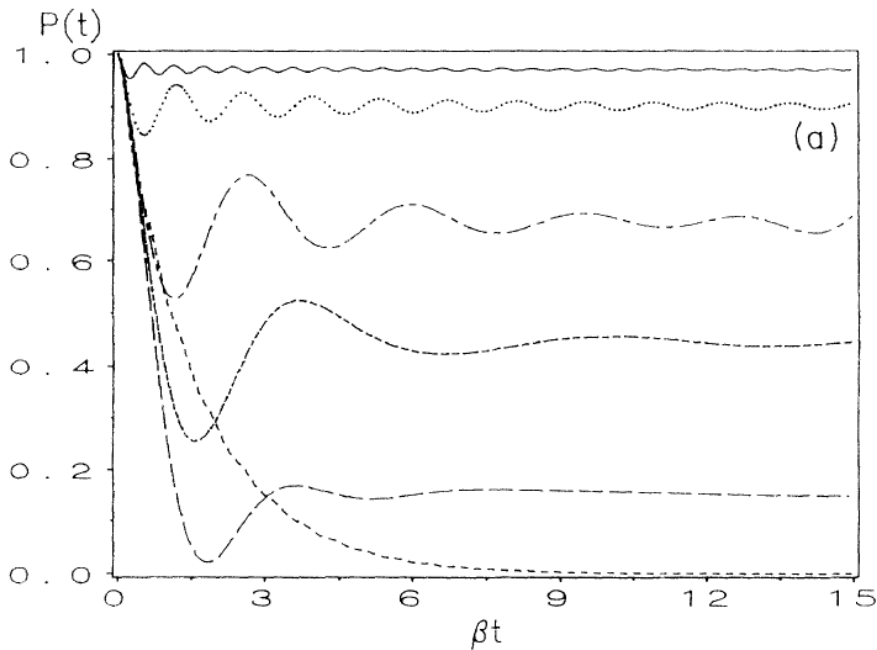
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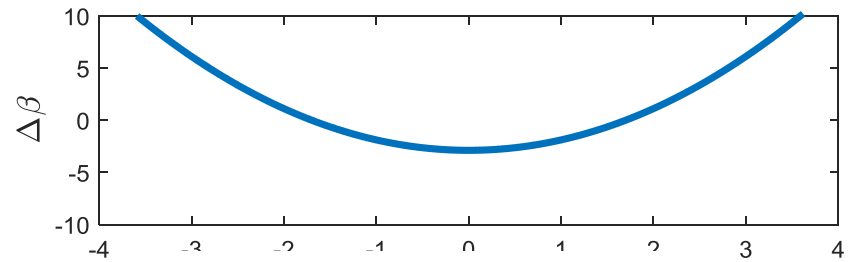
- Dispersion excluded from consideration,  $\tilde{H} = \tilde{\gamma}ab^\dagger c^\dagger + \tilde{\gamma}^*a^\dagger bc$  assuming phase-matching regime
- But photon conversion is spontaneous process, goes to states both at and near phase-matching!

# Making dispersion more flat: quadratic shape

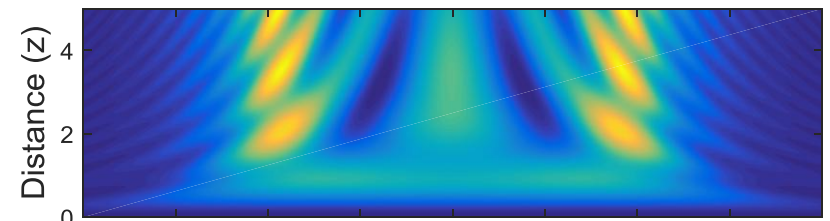
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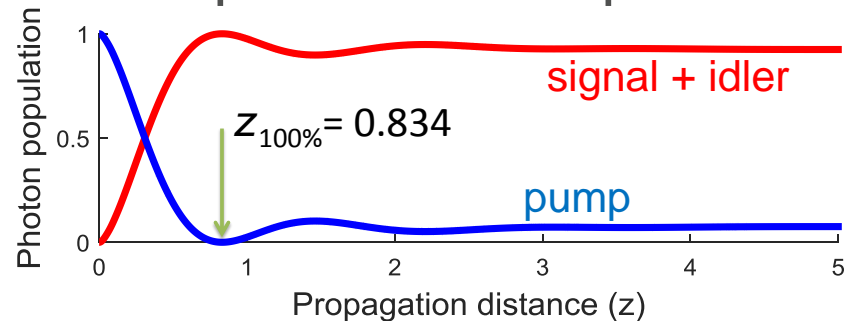
Dispersion  $\Delta\beta = \Omega^2 - 2.88$



Biphoton spectrum

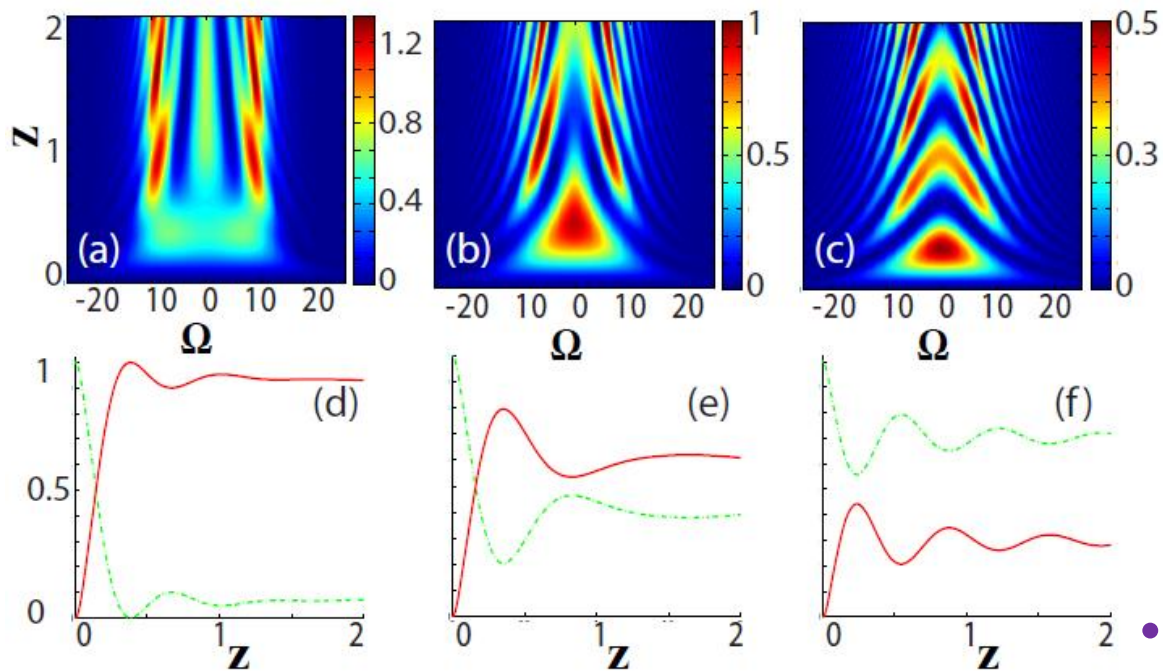


One photon and biphoton



- Identify new regime of complete conversion at finite propagation distance for optimal dispersion!

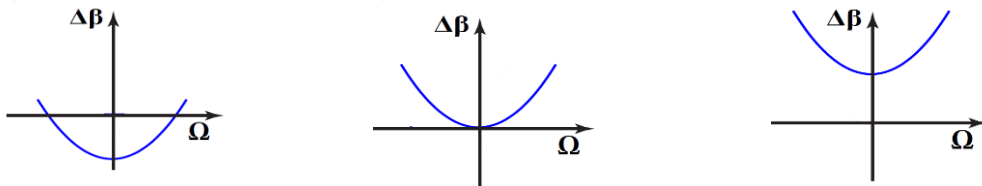
# Complete photon conversion



Spectral biphoton intensity

Total single and biphoton intensities

- Non-monotonious decay enables complete conversion
- Broad spectrum: nontrivial temporal correlations with ultrashort features

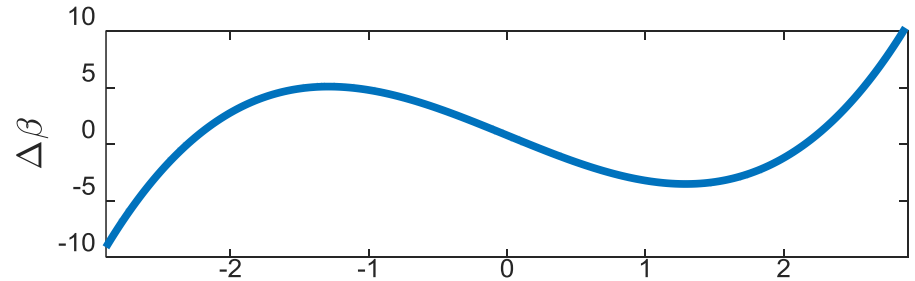


Different phase mismatch

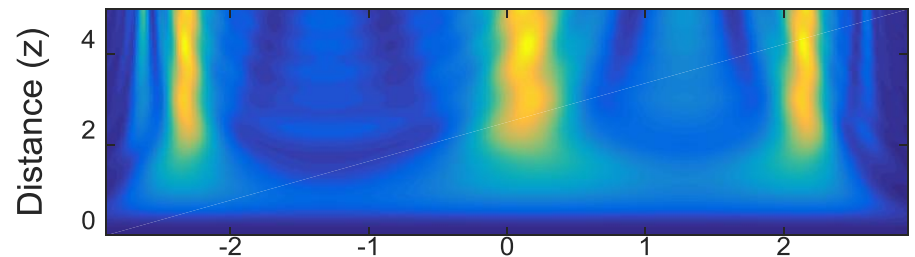
# Complete conversion for cubic dispersion

- Complete conversion at a particular distance
- Very high conversion at longer distances
- More robust compared to quadratic dispersion

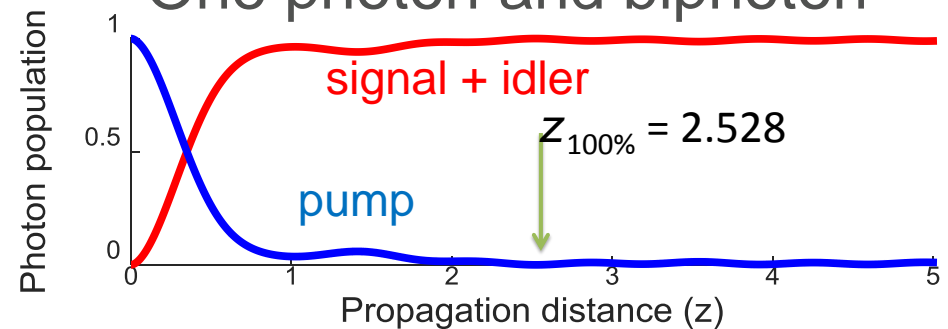
Dispersion  $\Delta\beta = \Omega^3 - 5\Omega + 0.798$



Biphoton spectrum

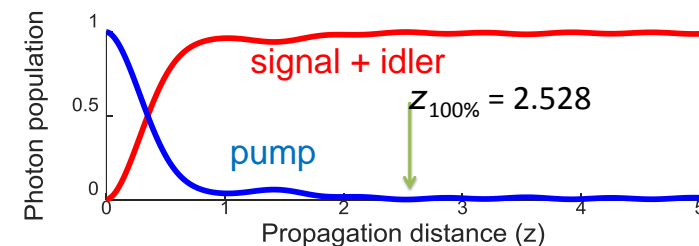
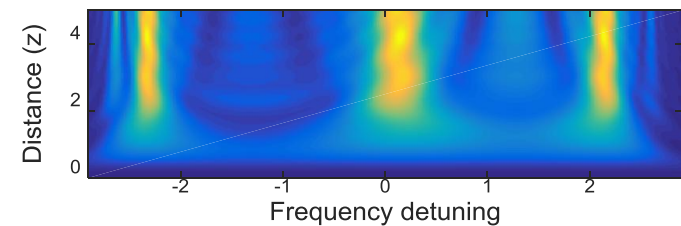
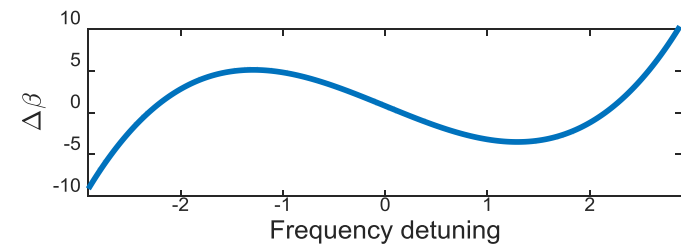
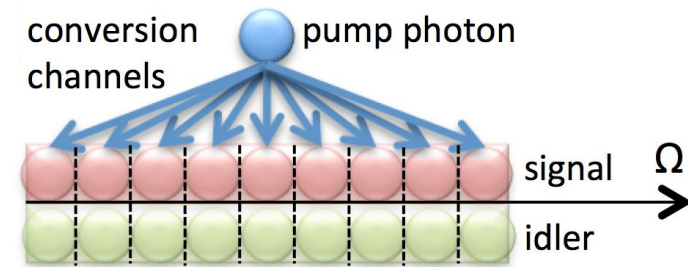


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# Outlook: towards complete 1 to 2 photon conversion

- Highly nonlinear fiber or waveguide
- Design for broadband phase-matching: conversion rate proportional to square root of the biphoton bandwidth
- Engineer dispersion around phase-matching: achieve complete conversion
- Next step: use broadband control laser pulses  $\omega_p + \omega_c \rightarrow \omega_s + \omega_i$
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