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DELIVERABLE D1.3.1 ORGANIZATION OF A SPECIAL INDUSTRY SESSION AT A BIG QIPC CONFERENCE

In 2011, one of the two big international conferences initiated by $QUIE^2T$ was organized. The QIPC 2011 Conference¹ was held at ETH Zürich from September 5 - 9, 2011. The conference program included 32 invited talks, 70 contributed talks and more than 100 poster presentations covering a broad range of topics. As such, the conference was one of the biggest QIPC events of the year in Europe.

A report was assembled right after the conference that was used by the local organizers as a basis for their final report on the event. This report is available at the $QUIE^2T$ web site².

Apart from the scientific program, some extra-scientific events were organized at QIPC 2011. Specifically, under the auspices of QUIE²T WP1 a whole afternoon was used to stage another instance of an 'Industry Session', which has become already a regular feature for the QIPC conference series. After the successful Industry Sessions held at the previous QIPC meetings in Barcelona'07 and Rome'09, this event again offered a platform for exchanges between academic researchers and industry leaders.

The session in Zürich was held in the afternoon of Wednesday, Sep. 7, 2011. It was opened by QUIE²T work package leader Tommaso Calarco, who briefly explained the aim and the history of the activity. The session itself was hosted by QUIE²T work package leader Nicolas Gisin, who further explained the new format of having representatives from industry and academic research in the session.

¹ <u>http://www.qipc2011.ethz.ch/</u>

² <u>http://qurope.eu/content/qipc-2011-conference-report/</u>

Following that, there were presentations by **Dr. Bruno Michel**, from IBM Research, Zürich, who talked about '*Computing after scaling: New computation paradigms*', and **Dr. Grégoire Ribordy**, CEO of ID Quantique, who were celebrating their 10th anniversary this year. The title of his presentation was accordingly '*Commercializing QITechnology for 10 years*'.

On new and promising potential applications in quantum metrology there were presentations by two researchers, **Dr. Jürgen Appel** from the Niels Bohr Institute in Copenhagen, who talked about '*Mesoscopic atomic superposition states for metrology and QI*', and **Dr. Bruno Sanguinetti** from the Group of Applied Physics in Geneva with a presentation on '*Quantum cloning for absolute radiometry*'.

The event was well attended and sparked a number of interesting questions and lively discussions. At the end of the session, **IBM** announced they will organize a **workshop** in 2012 with invited scientists and EU representatives to assess the potential of quantum technologies. This workshop on 'New Computation Paradigms' was indeed held at the IBM Zürich Research laboratory in August 2012, but no external links are available for the event.

In addition to participating to the dedicated industry session, ID Quantique had a permanent stand at the conference, showcasing some of their commercial products, in particular QUANTIS (a true random-number generator) and CLAVIS² (a QKD research platform).

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Contributed Hot Topic, 20'	Discussion @ Vis Dome, ETH Main Building	20:00 - 23:00 Open Mike	Fabian Hassler	Christophe Salomon	Philippe Corboz	Philip Walther	Ignacio Cirac	(Peter Zoller)	Special Topics	Coffee Break, 30'	D: Charges & Spins @ J7	C: Supercond. Circuits @ J3	B: Qu. Communication @ G7	A: Atomic Systems @ G3	14:20 - 16:00, 5 x 20'	Parallel Sessions		Posters, 2 h	Lunch and odd numbered		Yasunobu Nakamura	Irfan Siddiqi		Chris Wilson	Andreas Dewes	Andrew Cleland	(Christoph Bruder)	Superconducting Circuits	R. Hanson and S. Pironio	Young Investigator Award	Tuesday, Sep. 6
Invited Topical, 30'			Andrea Morello	David Awschalom	Ronald Hanson	Matthieu Delbecq	Misha Lukin	(Thomas Ihn)	Charges & Spins		Bruno Sanguinetti, 15:40	Jürgen Appel, 15:20	Grégoire Ribordy, 15:00	Bruno Michel, 14:20	14:20 - 16:00 (Nicolas Gisin)	Industry Session	Session @ E Floor Cafeteria	13:20 -14:10 EU Funding	Posters, 2 h	Lunch and even numbered	Paul Kwiat	Konrad Lehnert	Coffee Break, 30'	Peter Shadbolt	Igor Dotsenko	Eugene Polzik	(Matthias Christandl)	Photons	EU FUNDING NOTE		Wednesday, Sep. 7
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Commercializing Quantum Information Technology for 10 Years

« Surviving with Quantum InformationTechnology for 10 Years »

QIPC 2011 Industry Session - Zurich

Grégoire Ribordy

www.idquantique.com









Standard Model of New Venture Funding

January 2012

4th Winter School on Practical Quantum Cryptography

- Dates: Monday January 23 to Thursday January 26, 2012
- Location: Les Diablerets, Switzerland
- More: <u>www.idquantique.com</u> or <u>info@idquantique.com</u>





Pictures from the Winter School 2nd Edition

Scholarships Available: Contact us by email

Key note speakers include:

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- Nicolas Gisin
- Renato Renner
- Vadim Makarov

Winter School 1 – 3:

- over 45 participants
- from industry and academia

• from 5 continents



Year 2001



University of Geneva, 1998



Single-Photon Detector with LN2 Cooling



ID Quantique, 2001



Single-Photon Detector with Thermo-electric cooling







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The Limits of Public Key Cryptography

- □ The security of the most popular public key algorithms cannot be formally proven.
 - Example: The security of RSA is based on the difficulty to factorize large numbers

65497 x 92951 = 6088011647

• But...

Cryptography

- The difficulty of factoring is not formally proven
- Factorization is « easy » with a quantum computer







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Absolute Security

Economist.com TECHNOLOGY QUARTERLY

MONITOR

Uncrackable beams of light

From The Economist print edition

Quantum cryptography—hailed by theoreticians as the ultimate of uncrackable codes—is finally going commercial

IN THE 1992 film "Sneakers", the ostensible research topic of one of the main characters was













QKD Solution Development 1/2









Lesson: Question the View of Incumbent Players





From 12 to 20 Employees 3 Business Units

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- Scientific Instrumentation
- Random Number Generator

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Network Encryption

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Random Number Generator















SwissQuantum Testbed





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www.swissquantum.com

Cumulative operation time of 45'000+ hours



Acceptance of QKD Technology

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- □ Certification (or lack of...)
- Reliability and References
- □ Costs (Equipment and Total Cost of Ownership)
- Practical Security



Difficulties of Deployment

Schaffhausen GERMANY Winterthur Basel Sankt Zürich Gallen LIECHTENSTEIN Zunci Biel FRANCE Lucerne. AUSTRIA Neuchâtei BERN × Lac de Fribourg ake of 5 Phillip 50km Chur S Lausanne Lake ITALY Dulouispitz Lugano

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Dark Fiber is ok (costs, availability) over 10km, but less over 50km









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QKD cannot be brokem; A QKD implementation can!



Vadim Makarov, Norwegian University of Science and Technology





Thank you for your attention...

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Quantum Cloning for Absolute Radiometry

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> Silke Peters and Stefan Kück PTB



Département de physique appliquée





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... there still are some open questions, such as what is the quantum to classical transition





Copying information is different in the Quantum and Macroscopic worlds



Copying information is different in the Quantum and Macroscopic worlds





Werner Heisenberg

a 1221+



Having more input copies improves fidelity







Experiment

Cloning can be provided by stimulated emission in an Erbium doped fibre



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Real setup





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Conclusion and Outlook

• This new application of Quantum Physics allows us to measured spectral radiance *absolutely*



Sanguinetti et al. Quantum Cloning for Absolute Radiometry. Phys Rev Lett (2010) vol. 105

Thank you for your attention!



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Measurement of the number of modes au_c^{-1}

• Use a low coherence interferometer for a direct and precise measurement of number of modes



Mandel. Fluctuations of Photon Beams: The Distribution of the Photo-Electrons. Proc. Phys. Soc. (1959) vol. 74 (3) pp. 233-243

Evaluating uncertainties

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Sources of error

- Losses in the amplifier
- Measurement of Fidelity and Gain
- Number of modes per second
- Polarisation dependent loss (PDL)

Losses can be easily modeled

• Imperfect cloning machine can be modeled as optimal cloning machine preceded by losses.



 \bullet Parameters Q and G offer a complete description The effect of losses scales as 1/G

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	PDL (%)
Filter	1
Attenuator	1.4
Powermeter	1.6
Isolator	< 2
WDM	< 2



Overview of errors

- Dominated by polarimetric uncertainty
- Hard to do better than 0.5%
- Limits are practical, not fundamental.

	Uncertainty $(\%)$
Polarimeter	4
Filter attenuation	0.5
Insertion loss	0.5
Gain	0.007
PDL	0.8
Powermeter*	0.7
Coherence time*	0.2
Total	4.1

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Computing after Scaling

New Computation Paradigms

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Evolution of Information Technology



Information technology has prospered by making "bits" smaller. → Smaller = faster & cheaper (and more efficient)

- Density and efficiency on log-log line
 - Brain is 10⁴ times denser AND 10⁴ times more efficient
- Independent of switch technology

 No jumps mechanical tube bipolar CMOS neuron

Communication as main bottleneck

- Memory proximity lost in current computers (1300 clock access)
- Detrimental for efficiency

Device centric viewpoint (left)

- → Device performance dominates - Power depends on device performance
- Evolution depends on introduction of better devices

vs.

Density centric viewpoint (below)

- → Communication efficiency dominates
- Power and memory proximity depend on size
- Evolution depends on denser system
- Dominant for large systems (>Peta-scale)



Computing after Scaling - New Computation Paradigms

- Past
 - Dennard scaling of CMOS
 - Energy challenges
- Evolutionary
 - Innovative device scaling and low power devices
 - 3 D packaging
 - Exascale systems: Power, reliability, cost
- Transitional
 - Stepwise introduction form function material
 - Extreme 3D architectures : Volumetric scaling (Form)
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CMOS Device Scaling: Past Enabler of IT Industry



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Then

- Scaling drove down cost
- Scaling drove performance
- Performance constrained
- Active power dominates
- Independent R&D

- Scaling drives down cost
- <u>Materials, Device Innovation</u> drives performance
- Power constrained

Now

- Standby power dominates
- Collaborative R&D



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35 nm Gate Length



Gain by Innovation



Gain by Traditional Scaling



B. Doris et al.,

IEDM 2002

Roadmap of transistor scaling will continue below 10 nm node 3D will offer new dimension of scaling → Moore's law goes 3D

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Towards Ultimate Device Scaling & How to Reach Low V_{dd}

1. Avoid short channel effects (SCE): $L_G \ge 4 \lambda$

λ depends on Materials & Device Geometry



Gate

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2. Exploit the potential of novel materials & device architectures channel → Surround Gate for optimum electrostatic control

3. New Device Mechanisms – Steep Slope Devices

→Tunnel FET for S < 60 mV/dec</p>

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gate

oxide

drain

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Steep Sub-Threshold Slope Switch



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Deep Computing Research: (20MWatts vs 2GWatts) Exascale: Innovation demanded by power, cost and usability



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Brain: synapse network **Paradigm Change: Vertical Integration Multi-Chip Design System on Chip Benefits:** High core-cache bandwidth **3D Integration** Separation of technologies Reduction in wire length → Equivalent to two generations of scaling → No impact on software development Global wire lengths reduction Cold plate acceptable limit unacceptable Fluid in Fluid out ****** ***** Microchannel back-side heat removal

➔ Heat removal limit constrains electrical design

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cross-section through

fluid port and cavities

Scalable Heat Removal by Interlayer Cooling

- 3D integration requires interlayer cooling for stacked logic chips
- Bonding scheme to isolate electrical interconnects from coolant



- A large fraction of energy in computers is spent for data transport
- Shrinking computers saves energy

and water insulation scheme





Test vehicle with fluid manifold and connection

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Why Size Matters for Computers

- Today's systems: Transistors occupy only 1ppm of the system volume - ~1'000'000ppm power supply & cooling
- → Never before devices occupied a smaller volume fraction
- PC AT used about same amount for computation and communication
 - Since then processor became 10'000 times better
 - PCB and C4 interface only improved 100 times
- Majority of Energy used for data transport in current computers
 - 99% communication and 1% computation
 - 1300 clock cycles needed for main memory access
- Major reason C4 bottleneck that creates "memory wall"
 - 3D integration moves main memory into chip stack
 - "Cooling wall" is solved by interlayer cooled chip stacks
- Brain serves as example for dense and efficient computing
 - 3D integration and memory proximity is key for efficiency
 - Brain has similar Rentian slope as microprocessors
 - Brain communication density lower for 1 neuron = 1000 transistors





Average number of connections per gate

Density Improves Efficiency

Communication energy dominates quadratically

- Power and memory proximity dependent on wire length
- Communication energy scales faster than size
- Memory proximity restored in chip stack
 - Main memory in stack no cache necessary
 - Interlayer cooling removes cooling wall
 - Electrochemical power supply removes power wall

Reach density AND efficiency of brain

CMOS technology can reach sufficient density

Key volumetric scaling laws

- Device count AND power demand scale with volume
- Communication AND power supply scale with surface
- Large-system performance scales with
- Hypersurface / Hypervolume = 1-D / D

Biological (allometric) volumetric scaling

- Allometric scaling: Exponent 0.75 → 4 D scaling
- Why? Chemical power supply and hierarchical supply networks
- Fluid pressure drop scales 4-dimensional





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Scaling to 1 PFlops in 10 Liters

Efficiency comparison

- 1PFlops system currently consumes ~10MW
- Proposed 0.1 PF ultra-dense system consumes 5kW
- Conventional power supply scales causes power supply wall

Extreme 3D 1PFlops ultra-dense system

- Stack ~10 layers of memory on logic
- Stack several memory-logic stacks to stack of stacks
- Combine several blocks of stacks to MCM (MBM)
- Combine MCMs to high density 3D system

Key enabling technologies

- Interlayer cooling
- Electrochemical chip power supply

Impact

- 5'000x smaller power
- 50'000'000x smaller volume
- Scalability until zetascale system

P. Ruch, T. Brunschwiler, W. Escher, S. Paredes, and B. Michel, "Towards 5 dimensional scaling: How density improves efficiency in future computers", IBM J. Res. Develop. (Centennial Issue) in press.





Number of elements



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Brain Inspired Computing

- Brain inspired, non-von Neumann architecture
- Use of CMOS and attractive for nanoelectronics
- Key features : Universality, scalability, fault tolerance, power efficiency, speed, learning
- Application : Downscale complexity and discover computational principles



Karlheinz Meier, Univ. Heidelberg @ IBM Nanotech Center Inauguration, May 17, 2011

Presynaptic neuron Postsynaptic neuror **Neuromorphic Computing** Dendrite Synaptic knobs at synapses $C\frac{dV(t)}{dt} = -g\left(V(t) - U\right)$ "Spikes" as **Engineered von Evolved Biological Network Computational Primitives** Neumann Architecture Structure **Result of charge** integration Take the best of both worlds : CMOS fidelity + Nanoscale density A tiny fraction of the synaptic field 2 Terminal Cross-Point Devices 50.000.000 plastic synapses on the wafer Nanowire Cross Bars on Top of Synapse size (including connections : 10 μmx10 μm in 180 nm CMOS conventional CMOS devices ynapses limit achievable complexity >1000-fold synaptic density Novel components (e.g. memristors could provide huge gain >1000 fold communication BUT : beware of connections ! bandwidth requirement ! **(b)** Speed vs. Density K. Likharev, J. Nanoelectronics and Optoelectronics, Vol.3, 203–230, 2008

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Applications

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Neuroscience Research Tool

- Exploit range of relevant time scales and speeds
- Develop theories for development, learning, and plasticity
- Transfer results to neuromedicine, neuropharmacy, neuropsychology

Large Scale System Demonstrator for Nanoscale Devices

- Exploit small size tolerate imperfections and lack of precision
- Approach >10¹⁵ dynamic storage cells (synapses)
- Transfer results to solid-state manufacturing

Novel Computing Architecture

- Exploit low power, scalability, speed, fault tolerance, learning
- Process noisy, unexpected data to make predictions
- Transfer results to process non-biological information

Downscale to Low-Cost, Low-Power Devices

- Exploit results on principles of neural computation
- Simplify circuits for consumer oriented applications
- Transfer to low-cost, low-power consumer appliances

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Biomolecular (DNA) Computing

Present Status

- Quickly advancing DNA processing & analyzing techniques
- Adleman incorporated computation into assembly of DNA strands
- Theories: Strand assembly, Wang tiles, and turing machines
- Recent experimental demonstration of full 4 bit square root "digital" DNA circuit

Present Challenges

- Evolving algorithmic paradigms for universal DNA computation
- Efficient error resistant separations (word designs with high efficiency and specificity)
- Moderate scalability of current approaches with too much molecules used in parallel

Potential of the Technology

- Volume: 10²¹ bases/liter or 10¹⁸ processors/liter
- Speed: > 1 ExaOp/s in a cm³ vs. 10⁴ Op/s in a cm³ of current computer
- Efficiency: 10⁻¹⁸ Joules per Op vs. 10⁻¹² for conventional computers
- Strengths: Huge memories, massively parallel operation, associative searches
- Weaknesses: Error, slow Input/Output, difficult programming and integratio

Possible Impact

- Efficient fast solving NP-complete problems and associative searches
- Radically smaller system volume and higher storage density









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Why Quantum Computing?

A quantum computer can solve interesting problems requiring fundamentally fewer computational steps than any classical computer



Potential Impact

- Cryptanalysis
 - Routine decrypt all present and past transmissions
- General Purpose Optimization applications to databases
 - Sub-exponential advantage available using quantum algorithms for all existing optimization algorithms
- Powerful Quantum Simulations—applications to bio-pharma; material/molecule design



Many-atom simulations- create a new era of materials design!

Quantum Computing Approaches – not complete

Approach	Progress on key metrics	Obstacles to be overcome					
Superconducting devices	Rapidly improving coherence times and gate fidelities, realistic system concepts	Complexity of low-temperature operation, improvement in materials properties,					
Electronic Quantum dots	Good coherence times achieved, poor gate fidelities so far	Complexity of low-temperature operation, unavailability of workable qubit couplers,					
lon traps	Best coherence times and good gate fidelities, several-qubit functionality demonstrated	complex optical control, slow clock speed,					
Neutral atom traps	Very good coherence times, rudimentary qubit functionality demonstrated	complex optical control, weak, unreliable trapping, good fidelity gates not demonstrated					
Diamond NV centers	Optical manipulation of high- coherence single qubits with moderate fidelity	no workable multi-qubit architecture proposed,					
Topological quantum computing	Workable topologically protected qubit has not been seen in the lab	The fundamental theoretical physics must be confirmed by experiment,					

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Challenges

- What are the strengths of quantum computing?
- Which problem can a quantum computing solve in the near future?
 - 500 perfect qubits: factor a 50 decimal digit number!
 - Imperfect qubits requiring 50 physical qubits per logical qubit factor a 1 decimal digit number
 - Error correction may initially require 100's of physical qubits to get one logical qubit.
 - Better hardware requires less overhead but error bars on resources are huge!

Are there smaller systems with imperfect qubits that are good stepping stones?

- Quantum repeaters
- Quantum control systems

Need convincing target application

- Government interest totally centered on factoring
- Are there interesting business applications?
- Algorithms computer science

Technology Approach

- Which quantum computing approach looks most promising?
 - Fastest rate of progress?
 - Biggest potential?

Von Neumann and non Von Neumann will coexist

- What is the interface to Von Neumann computers?
- What technology will work on which problem?

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Summary

Computer efficiency increased by 10 orders of magnitude since 1945

- Main drivers: Transistor, IC, and VLSI, device drive slows down
- 9 orders left until kTIn2 (6 orders realistic with dissipative components)

Evolutionary

- Innovative device scaling and low power devices can provide 20x efficiency improvement
- Exascale systems: 50x efficiency missing → 3 D packaging (50x efficiency improvement)

Transitional

- Extreme 3D architectures : Volumetric scaling → 5'000 x improved efficiency
- Combination may allow Zetascale systems with sizable power demand (< 1GW)

Revolutionary - New computation paradigms

- Alternative architecture neuromorophic computing
- Quantum computing
- DNA computing

Key questions for all new computation paradigms

- Unique impact needed
- Entry-level system needed
- What is the roadmap and the window of opportunity
- Many more open questions

Thank you for your attention

Questions?

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Mesoscopic atomic superposition states for metrology and quantum information

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Neutral atoms are a well understood, controllable, "clean" physical system and due to the identical electronic structure of each atom the coupling between light and matter can be easily enhanced by using ensembles.

Since the collective quantum state of the atoms is entangled with a light pulse propagating through and emerging from such an ensemble, by measuring the optical state and its quantum fluctuations, quantum noise limited measurements of the atomic state can be performed: optically dense atomic ensembles can be used for metrology as sensitive field sensors or for atomic clocks with a precision beyond the standard quantum limit.

Using shot noise limited Quantum-Non-Demolition measurements we prepare an entangled and spin squeezed ensemble of 10^5 cold Cs atoms [1] which we use to improve the precision of an atomic clock by > 1 dB beyond the projection noise limit [2].

Non-Gaussian states are a valuable resource for quantum information and computation. We report on progress towards applying our method for realizing and characterizing such atomic states by performing a non-Gaussian measurement on the entangled light pulse and on using an ensemble of laser cooled atoms trapped along a nano-fiber [3].

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