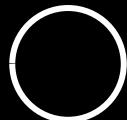
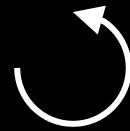




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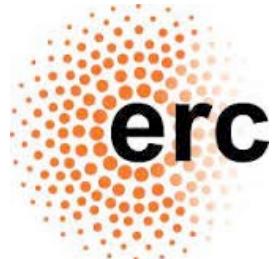
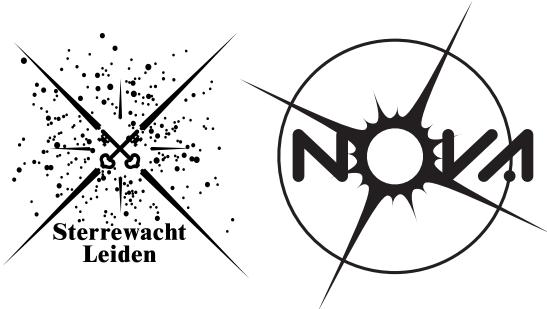


**gratings**



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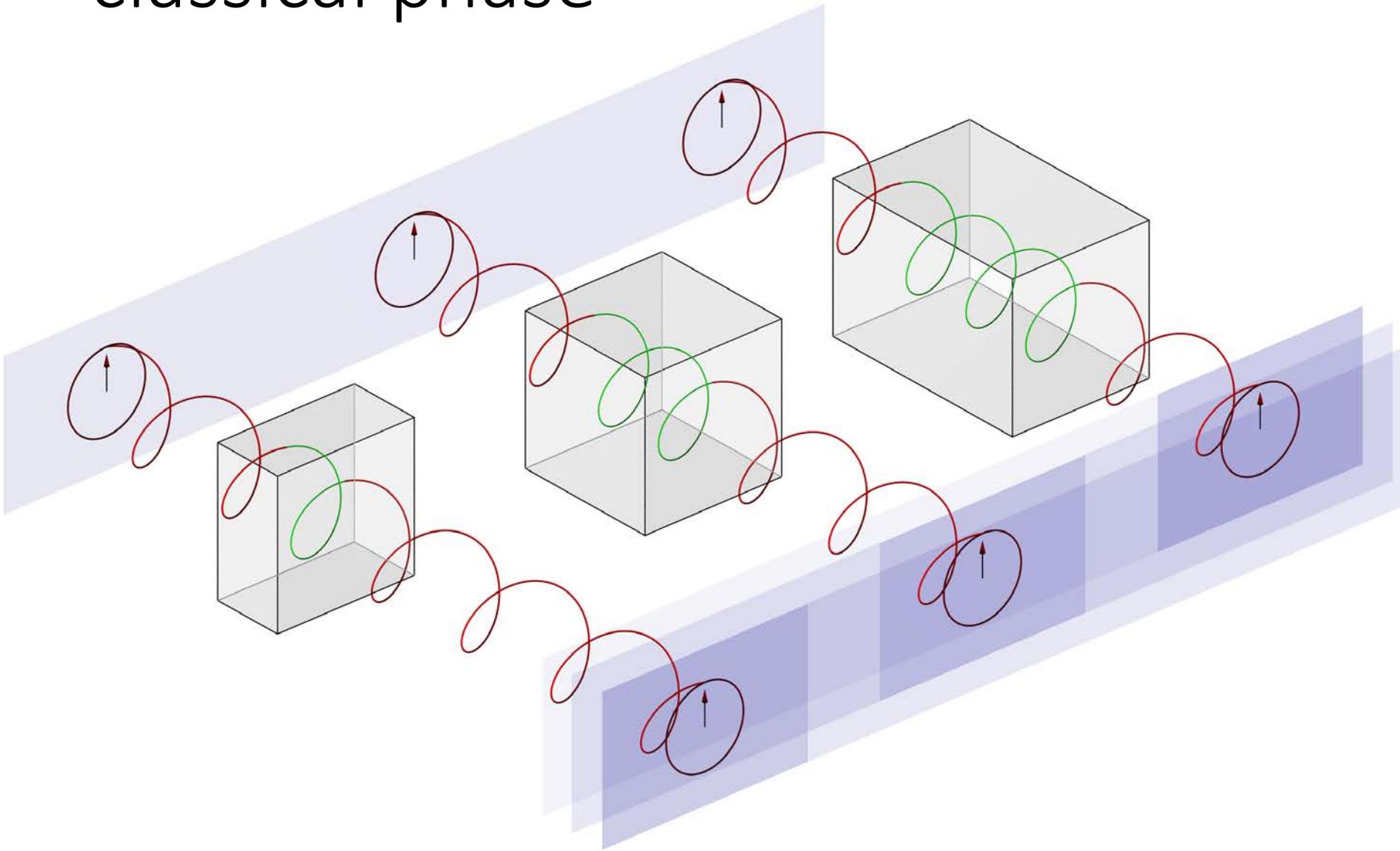
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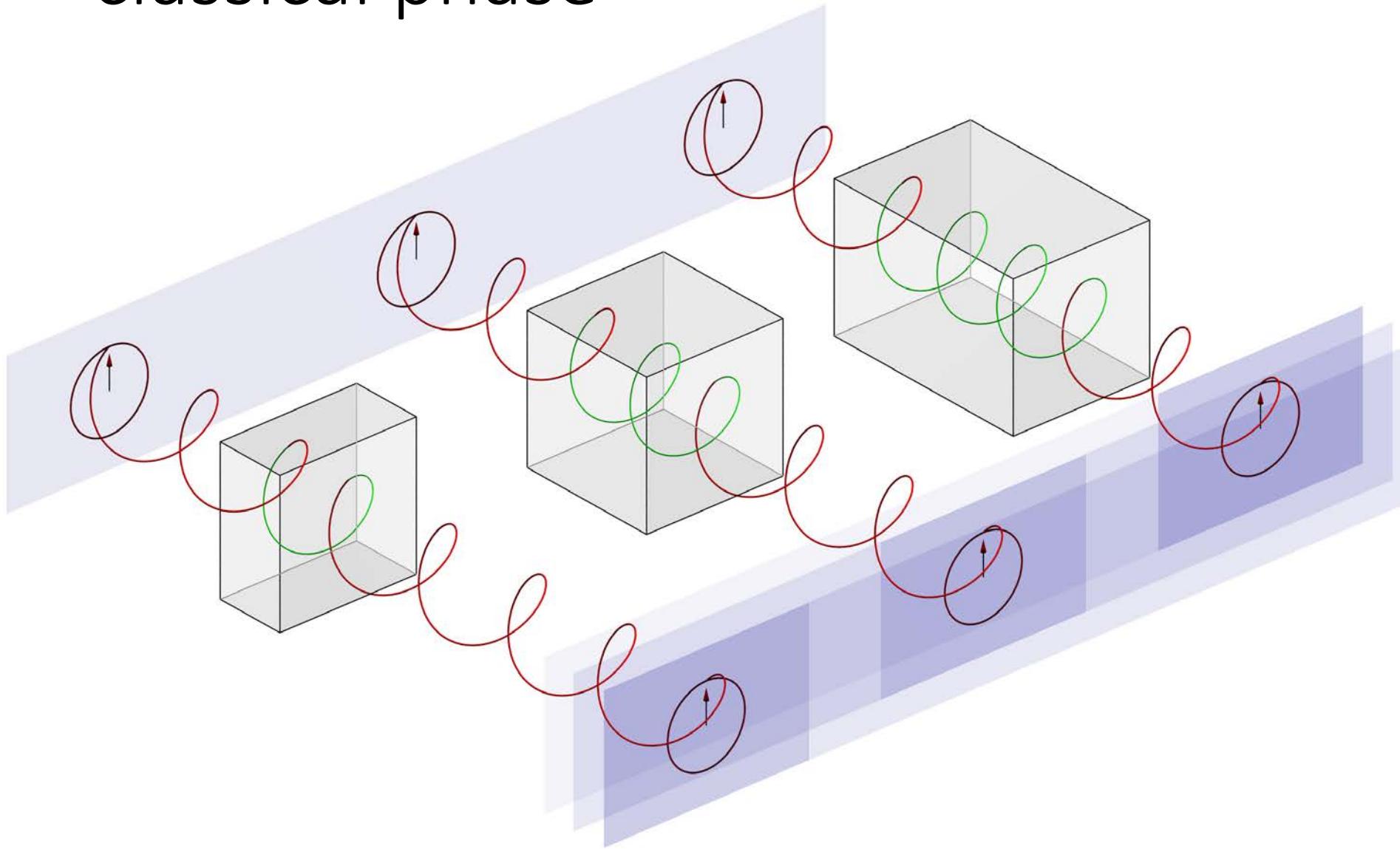
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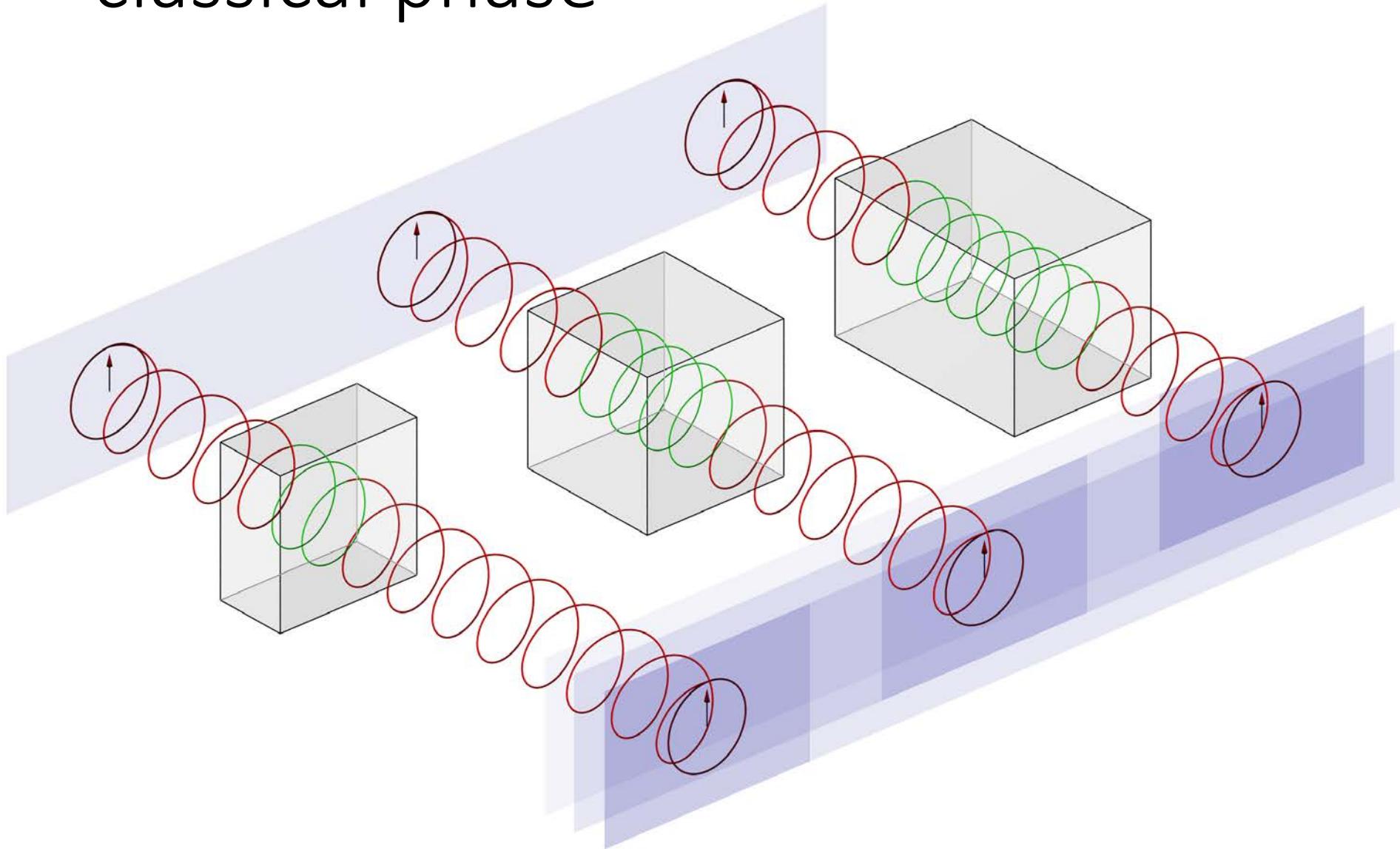
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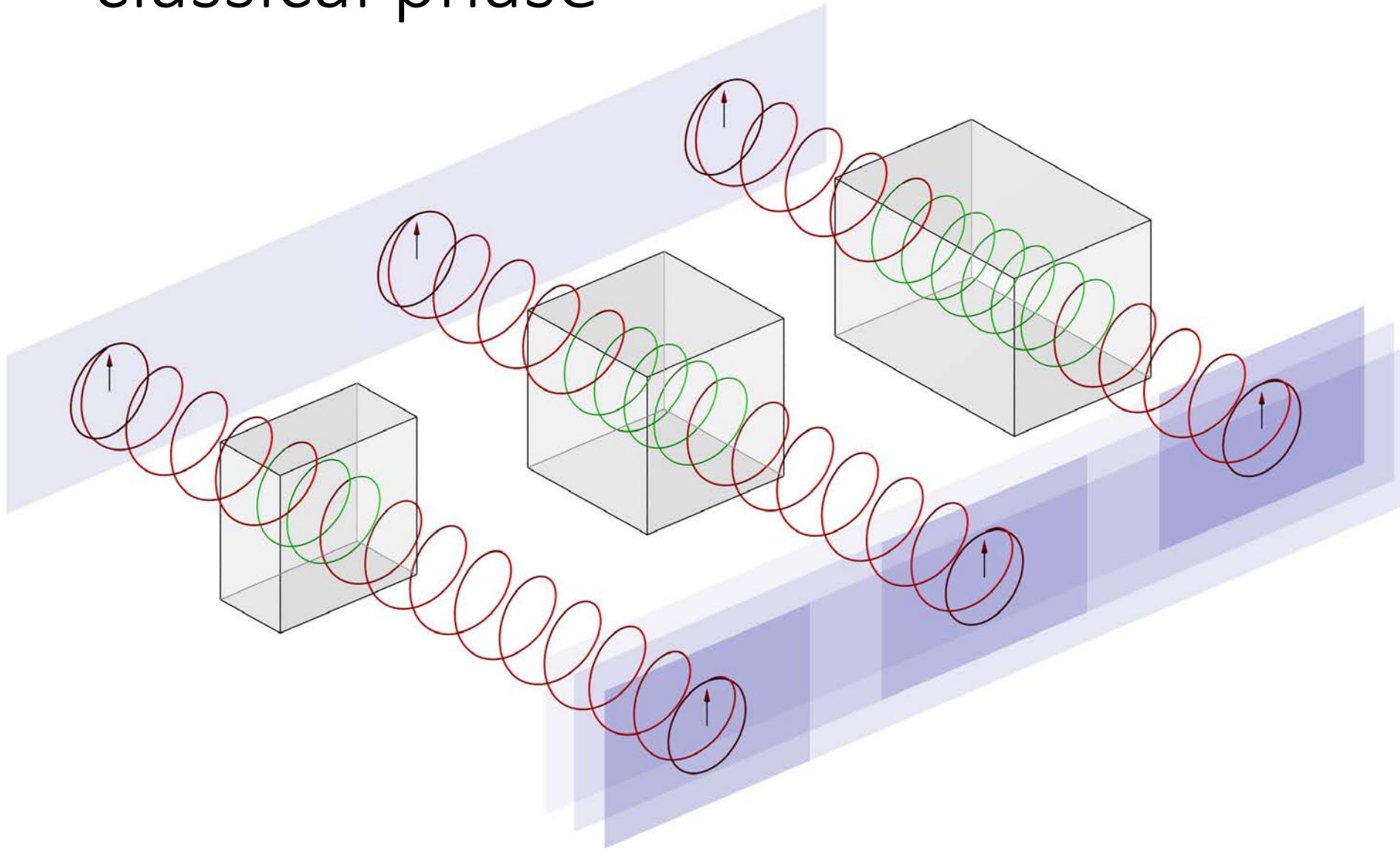
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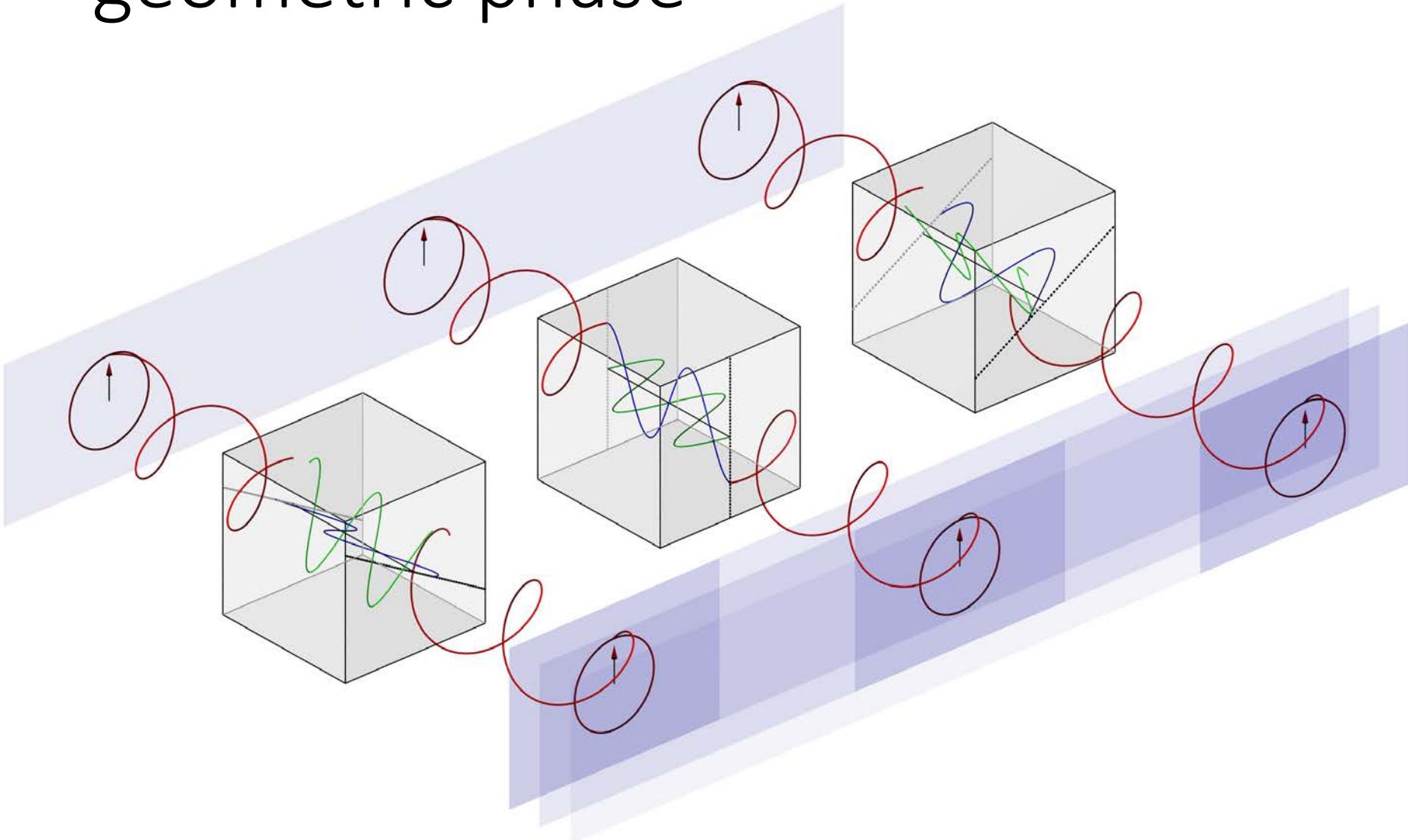
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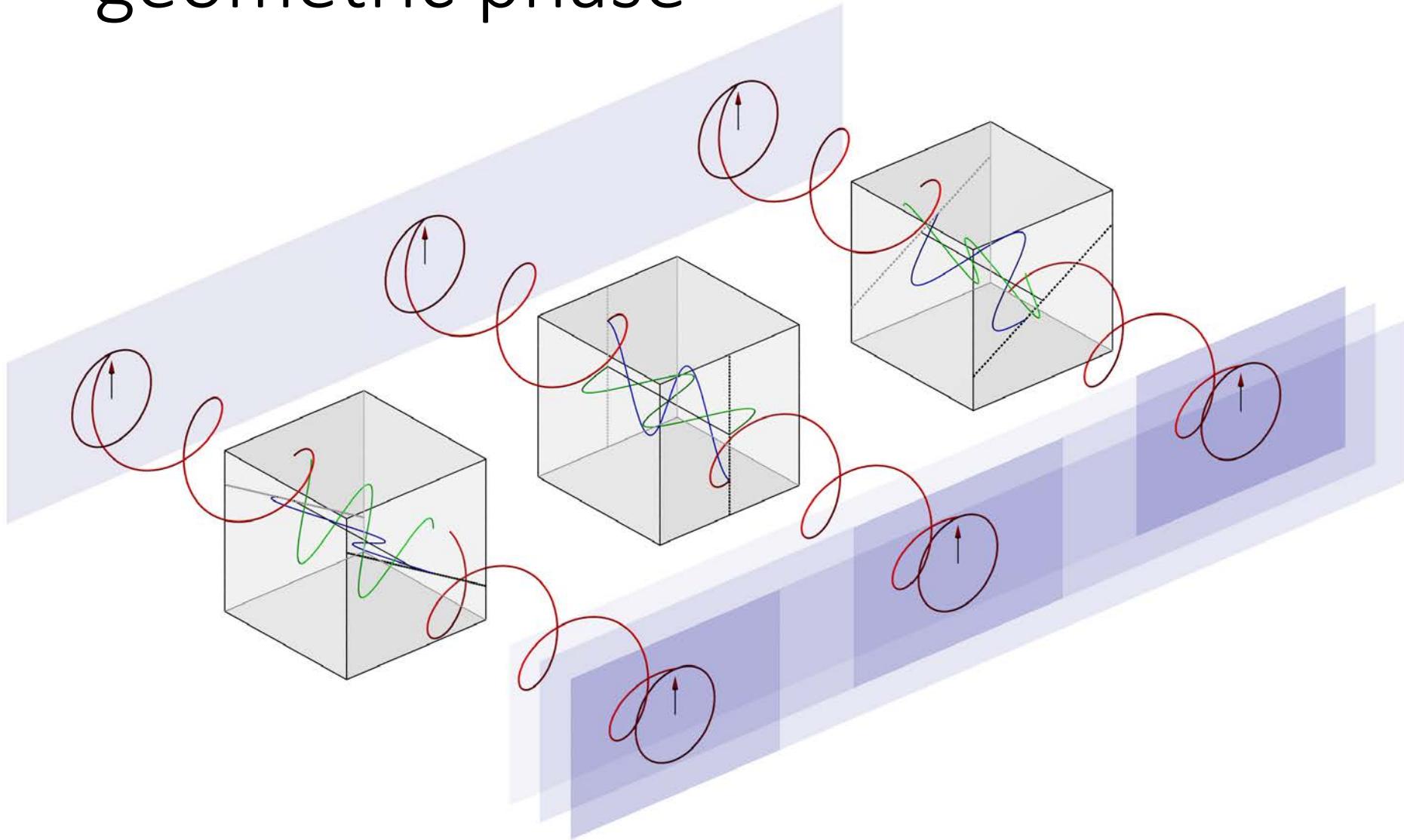
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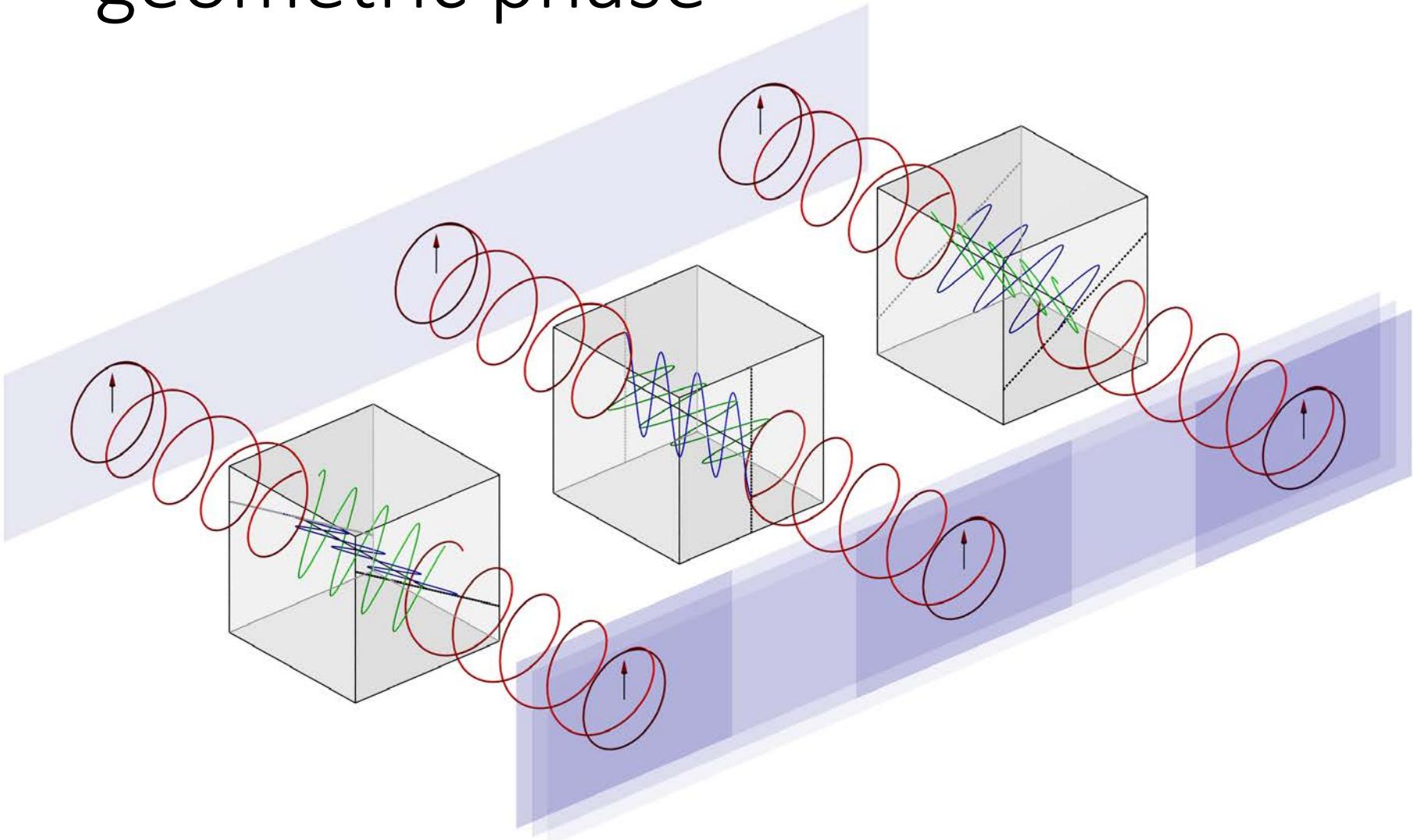
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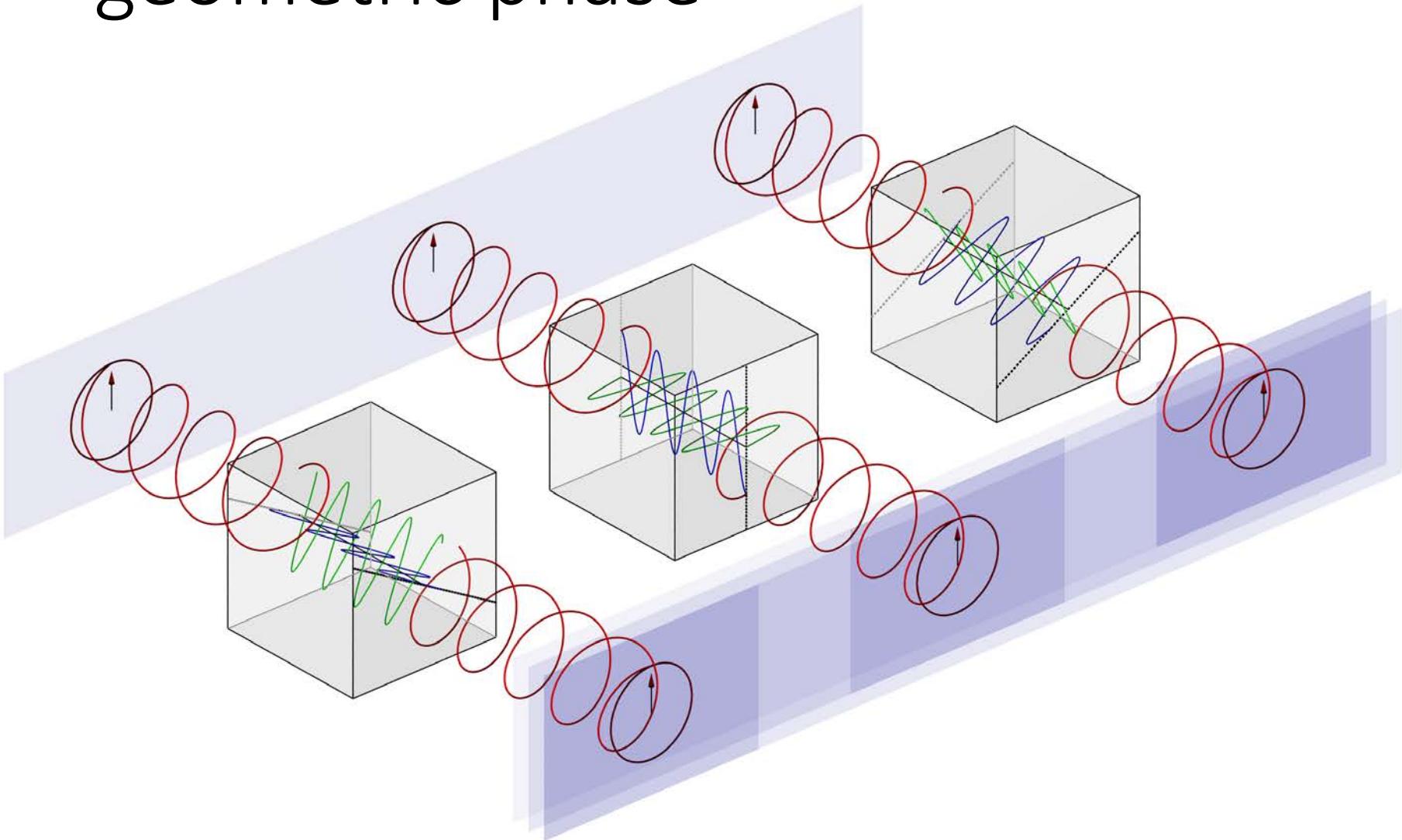
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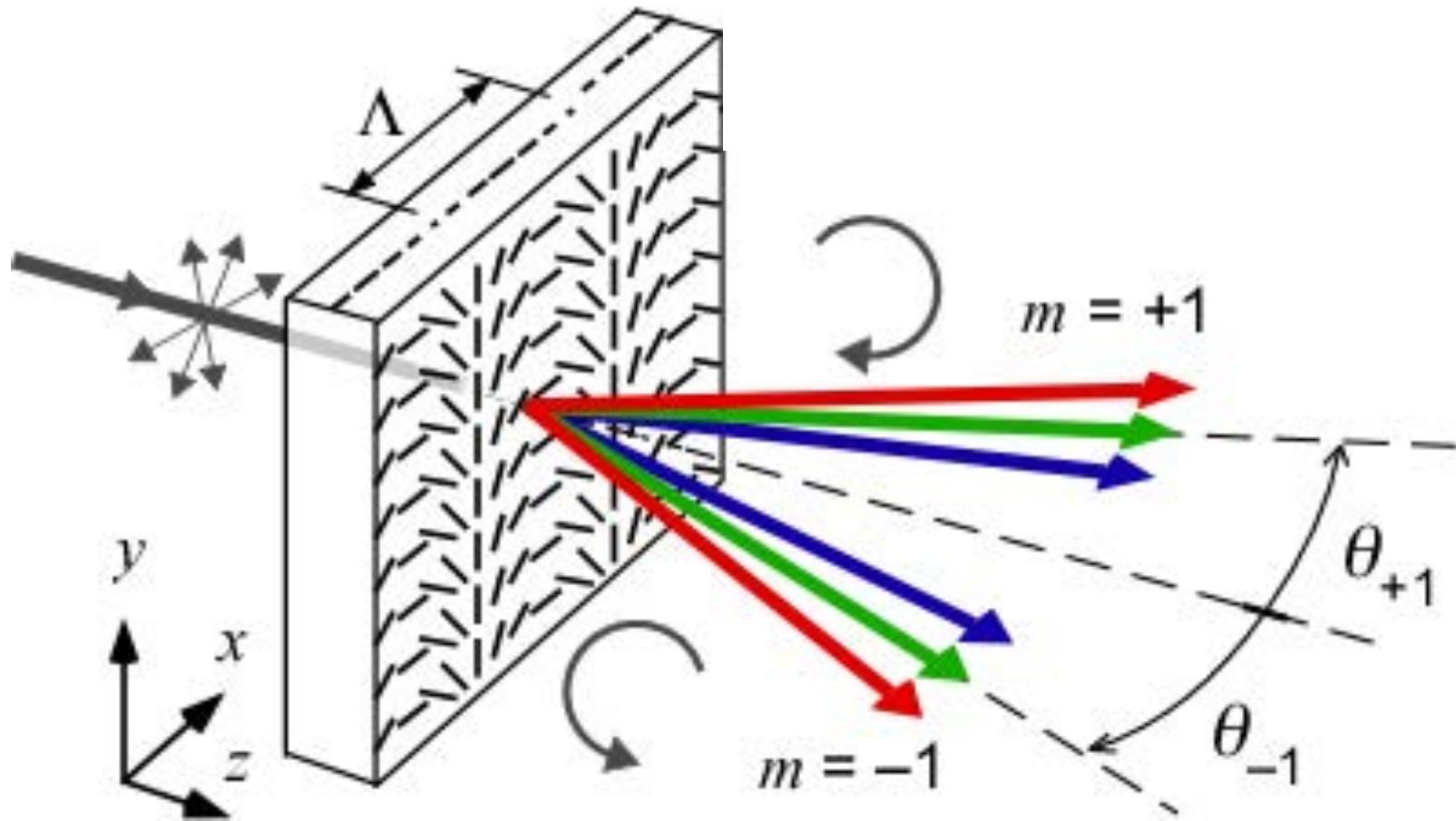
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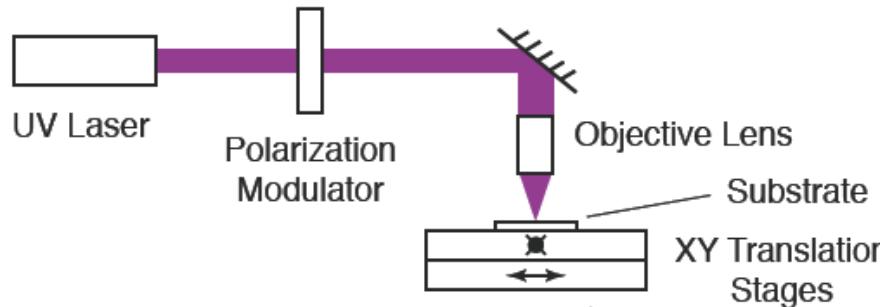
# the polarization grating



courtesy:  
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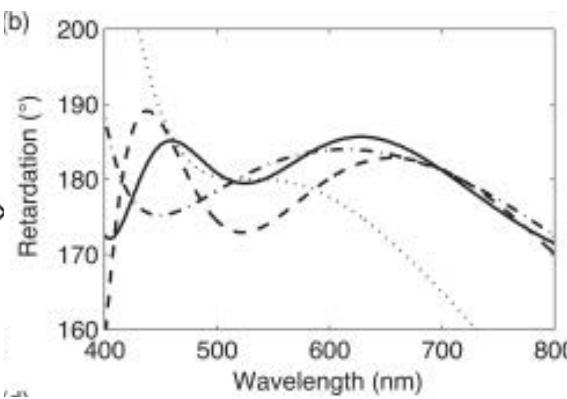
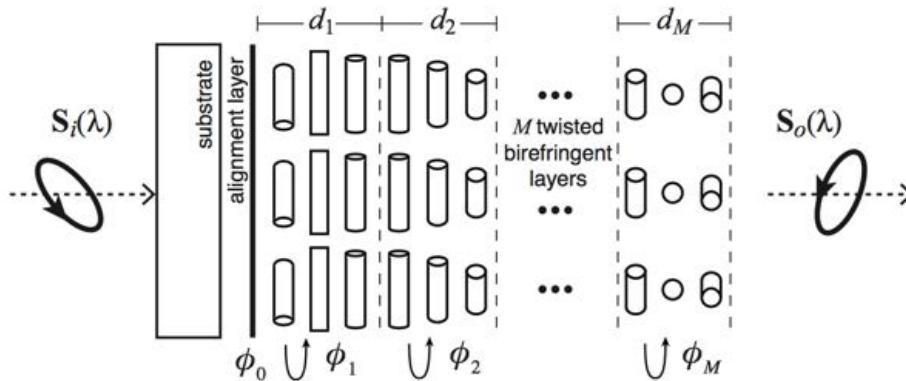
# liquid-crystal optics

1. any phase pattern thanks to direct-write technique



Miskiewicz  
& Escuti (2014)

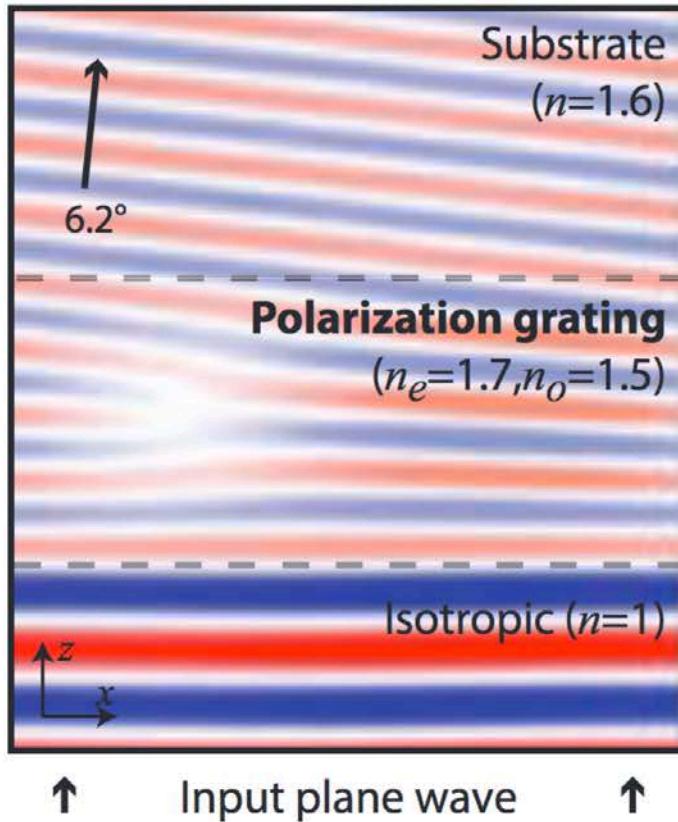
2. achromatization thanks to self-aligning multi-twist liquid crystal retarder



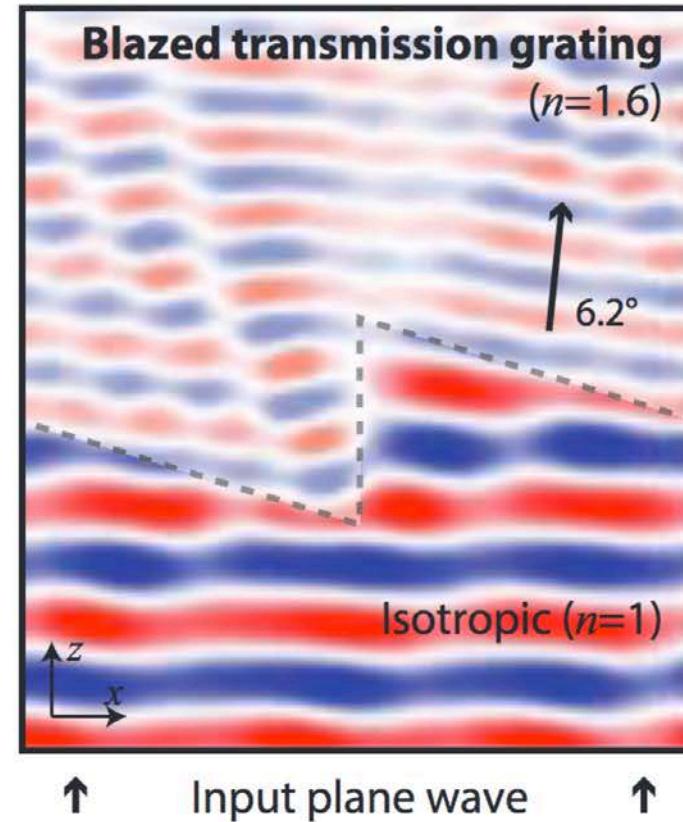
Komanduri et al.  
(2013)

# diffraction efficiency

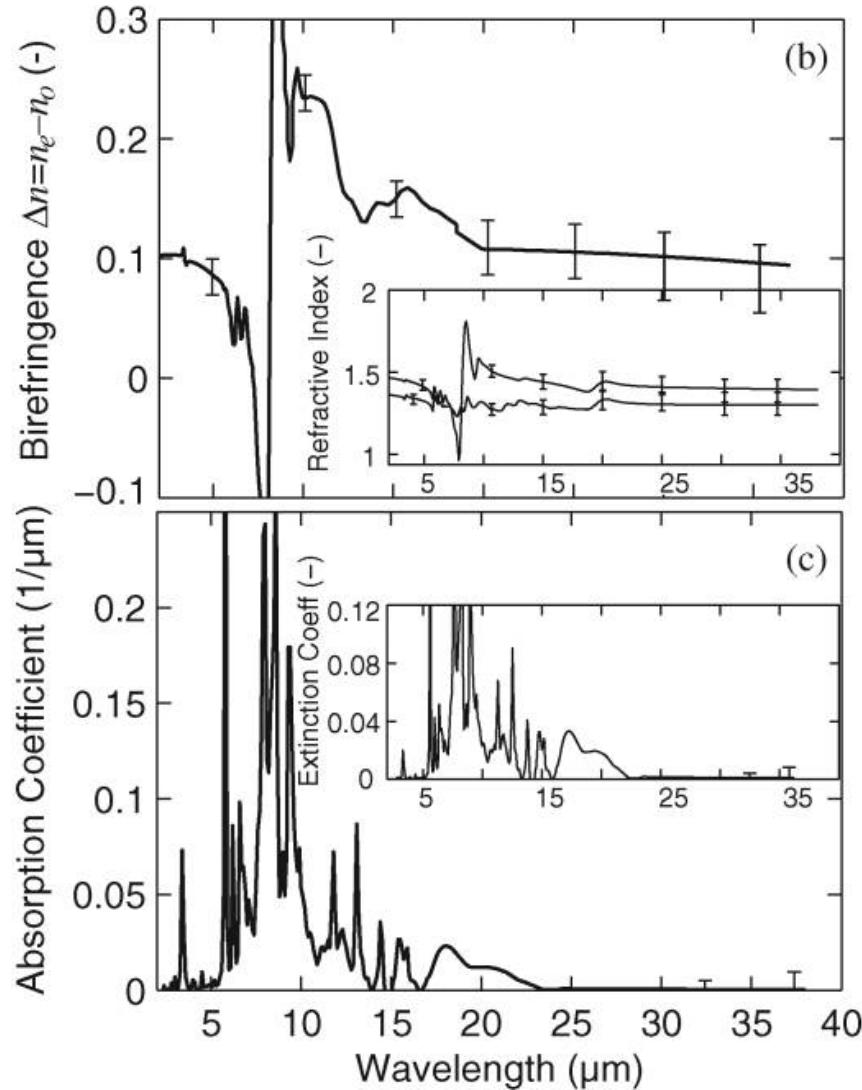
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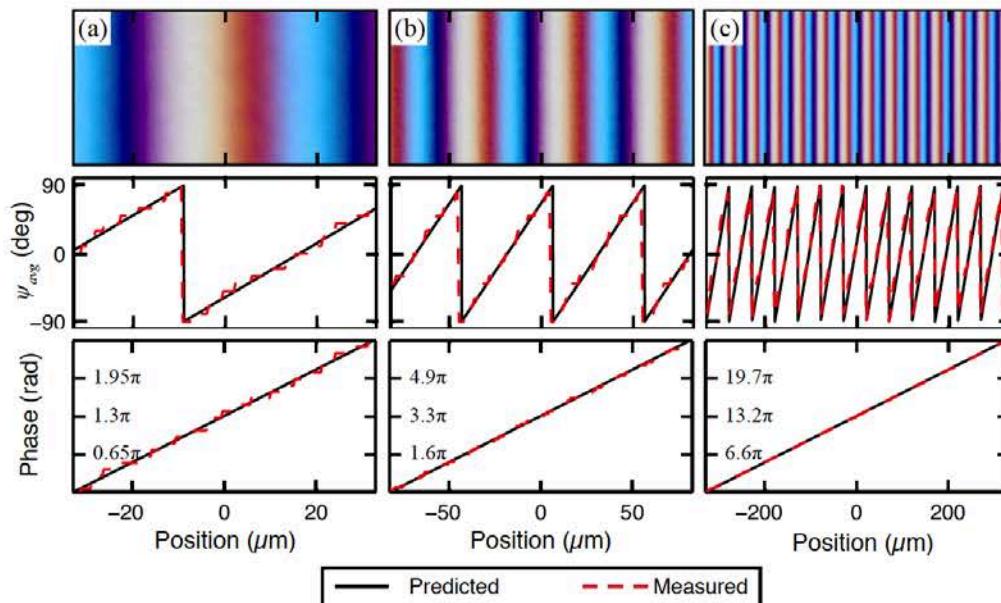
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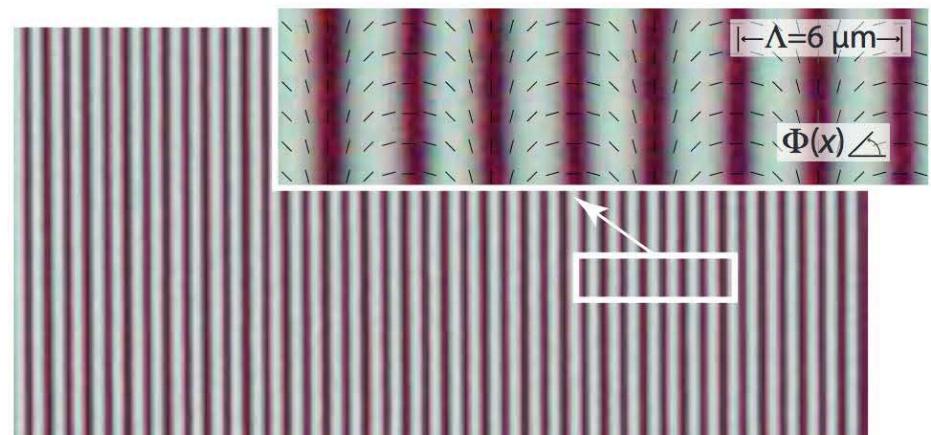
# transmission



# direct-write resolution + accuracy



Miskiewicz & Escuti (2014)



Escuti et al. (2016)

# ExPo pIFU

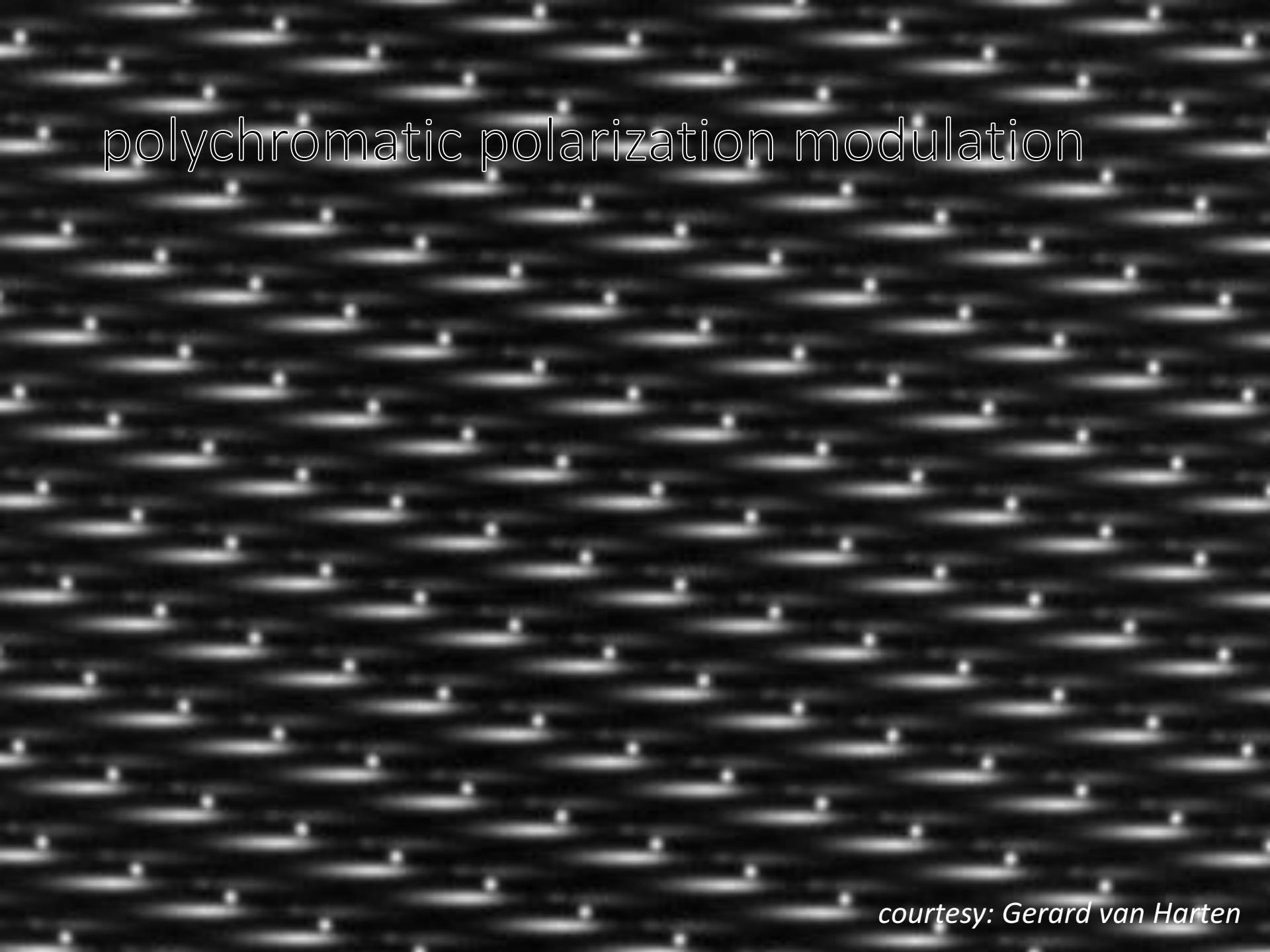
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polychromatic polarization modulation

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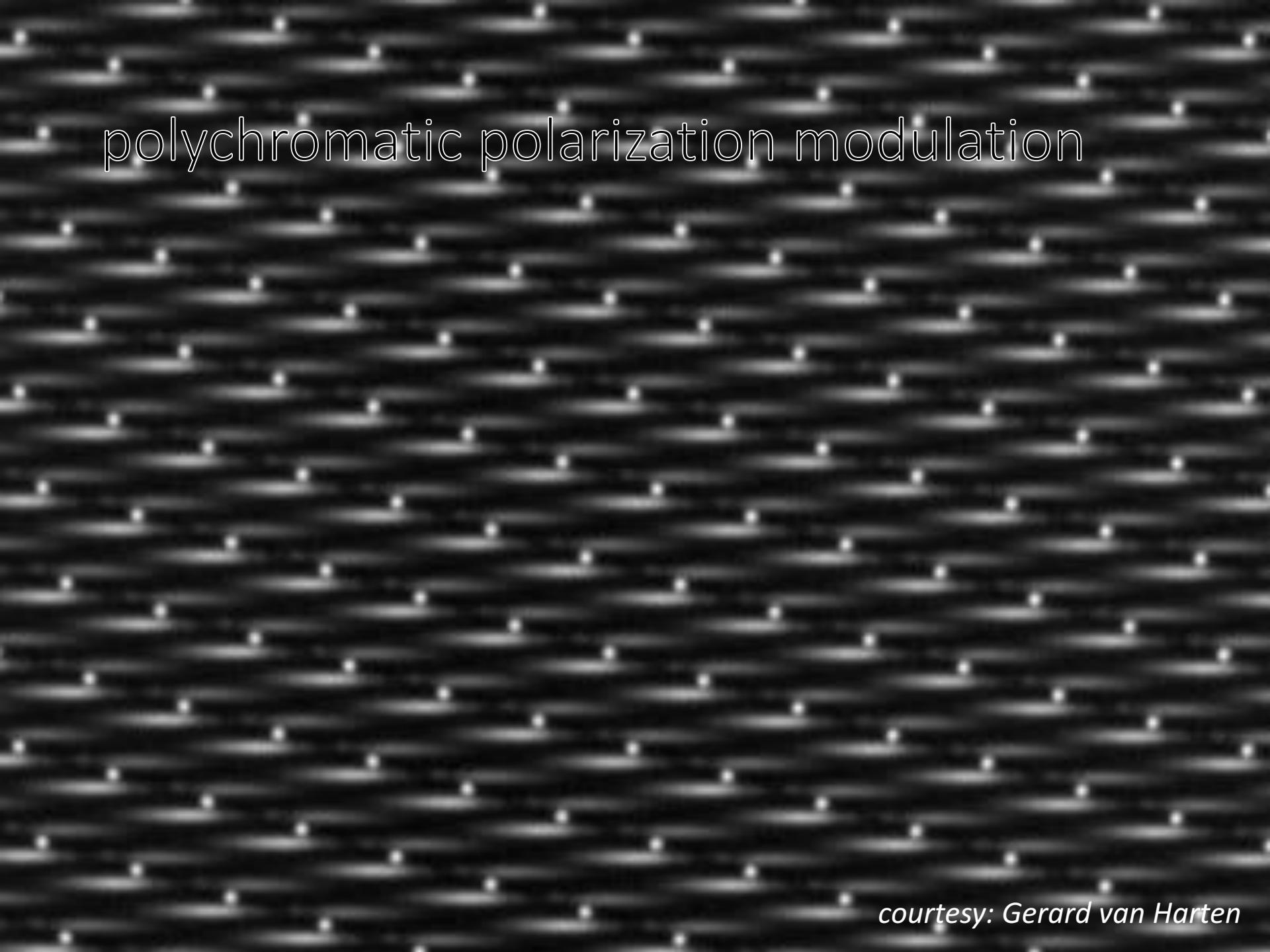
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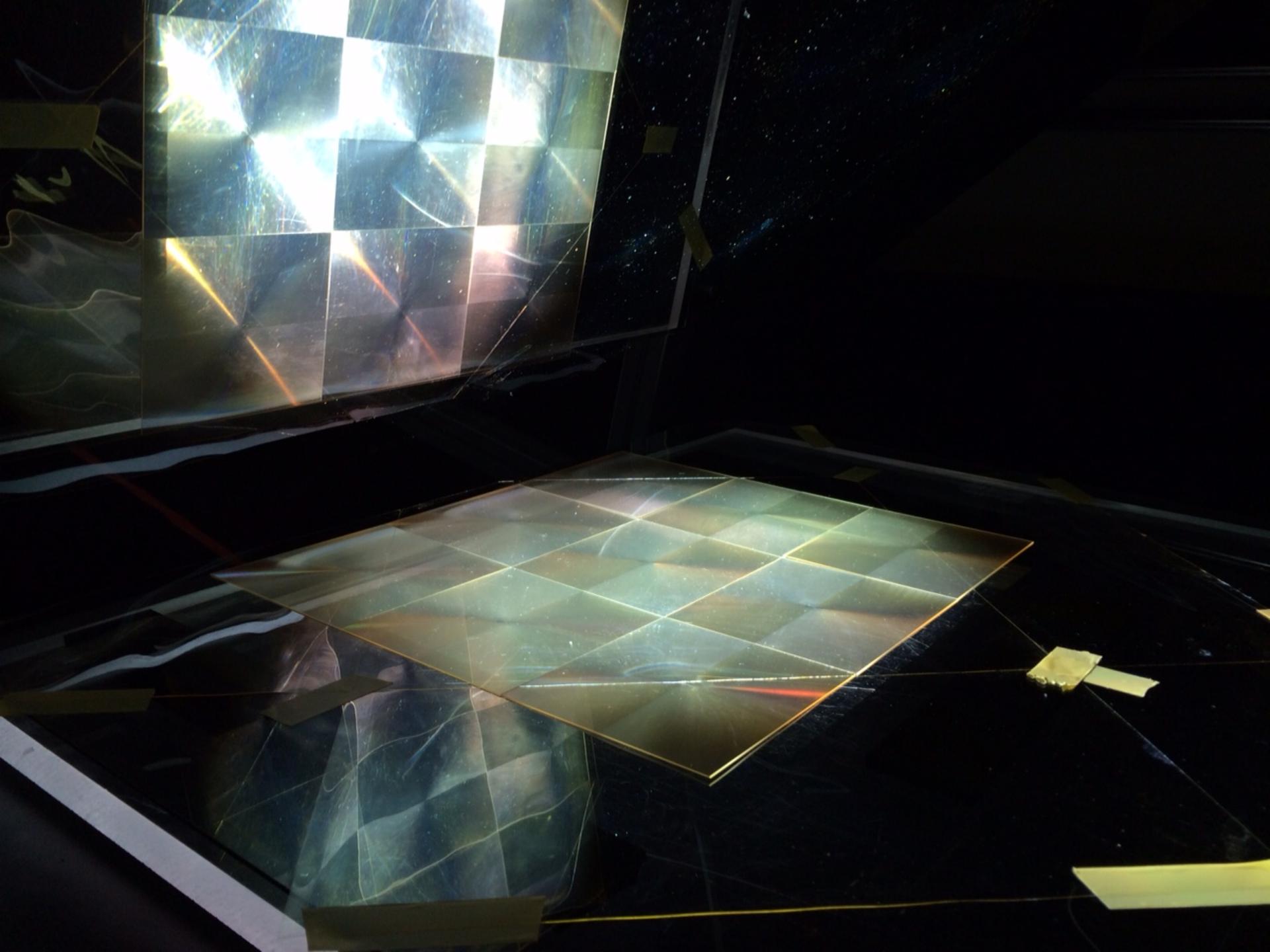


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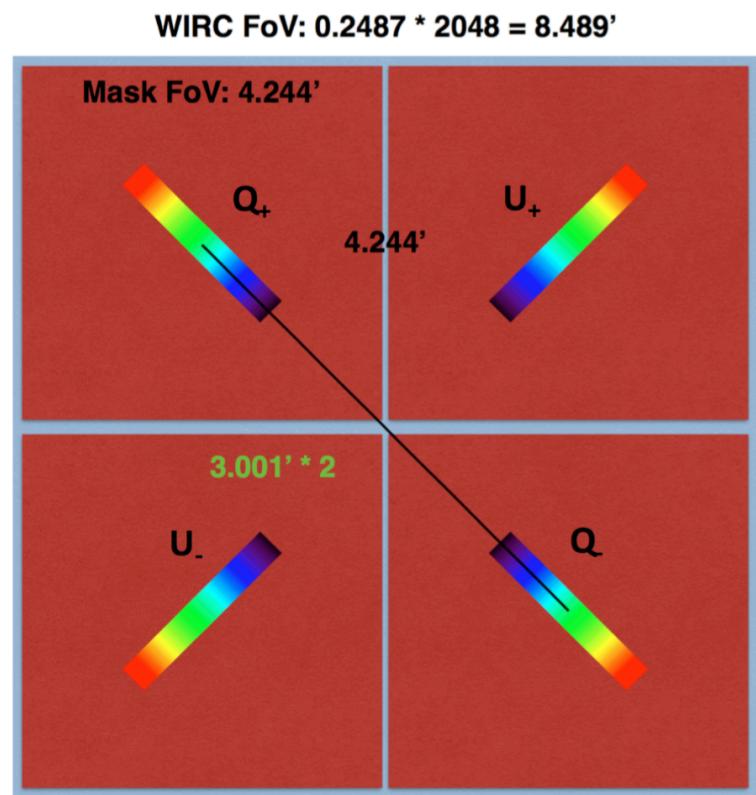
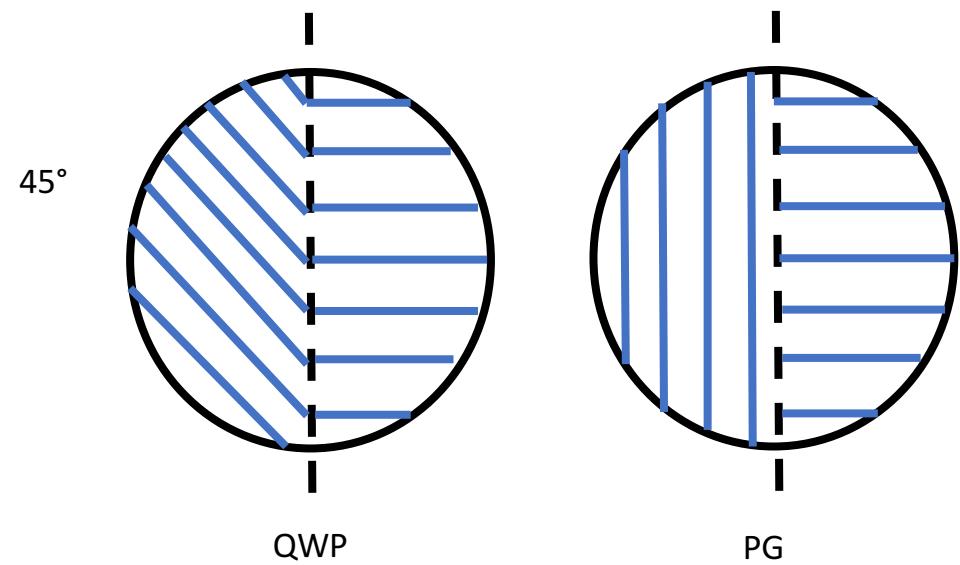
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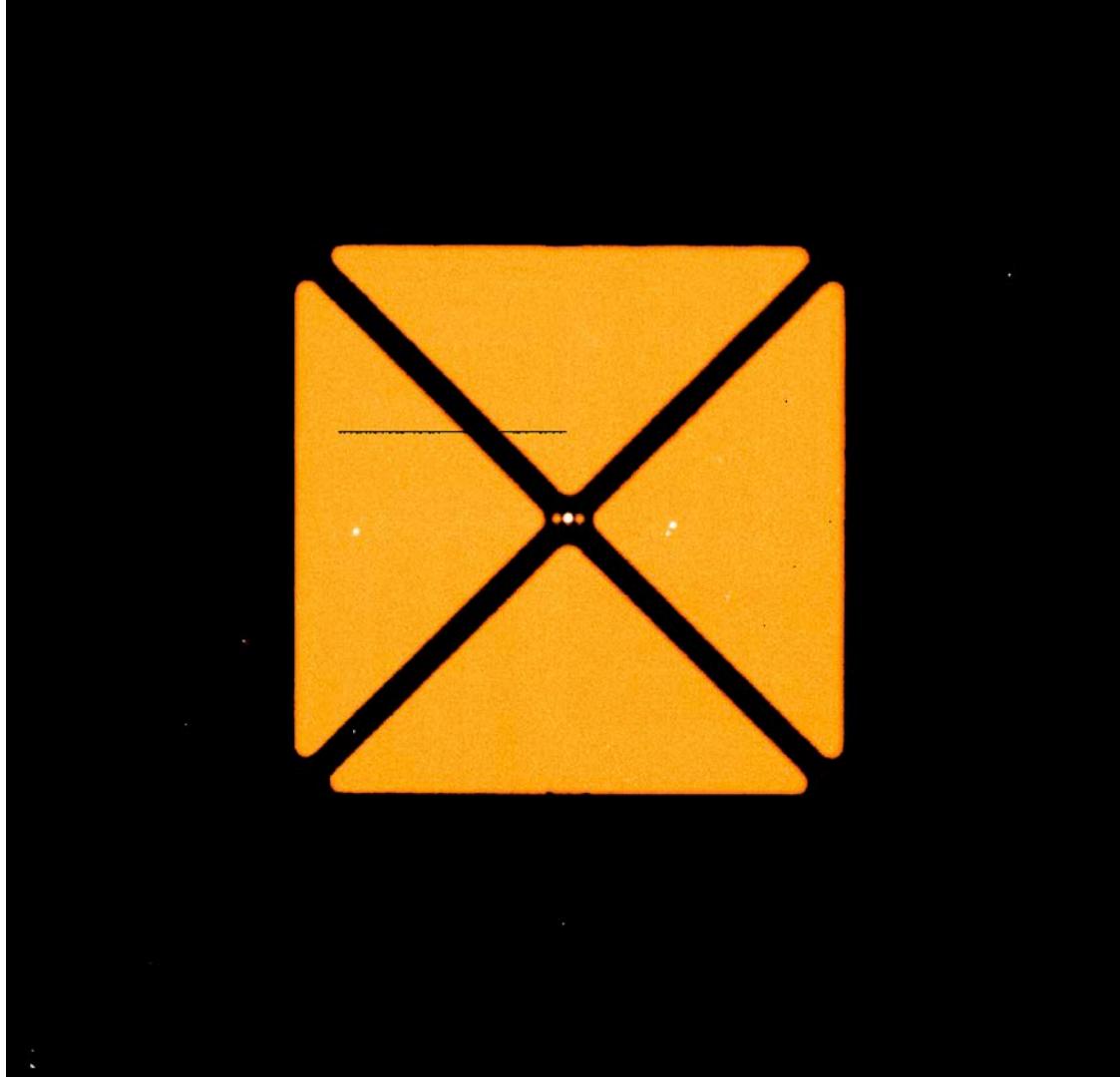


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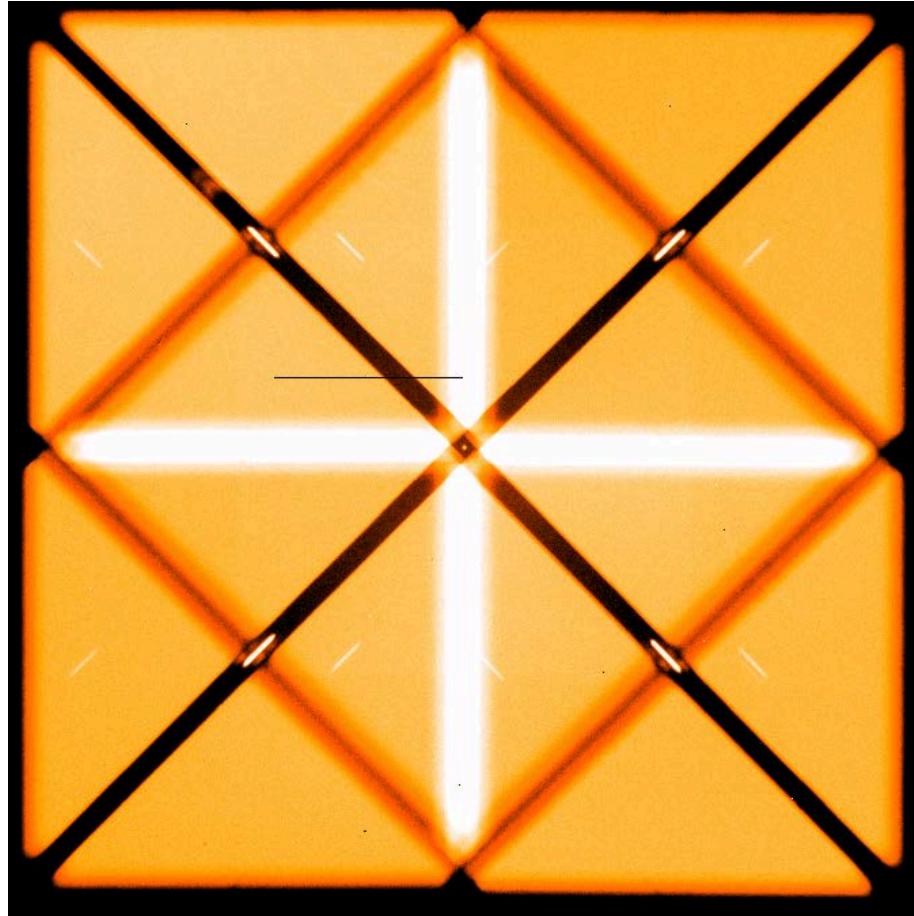
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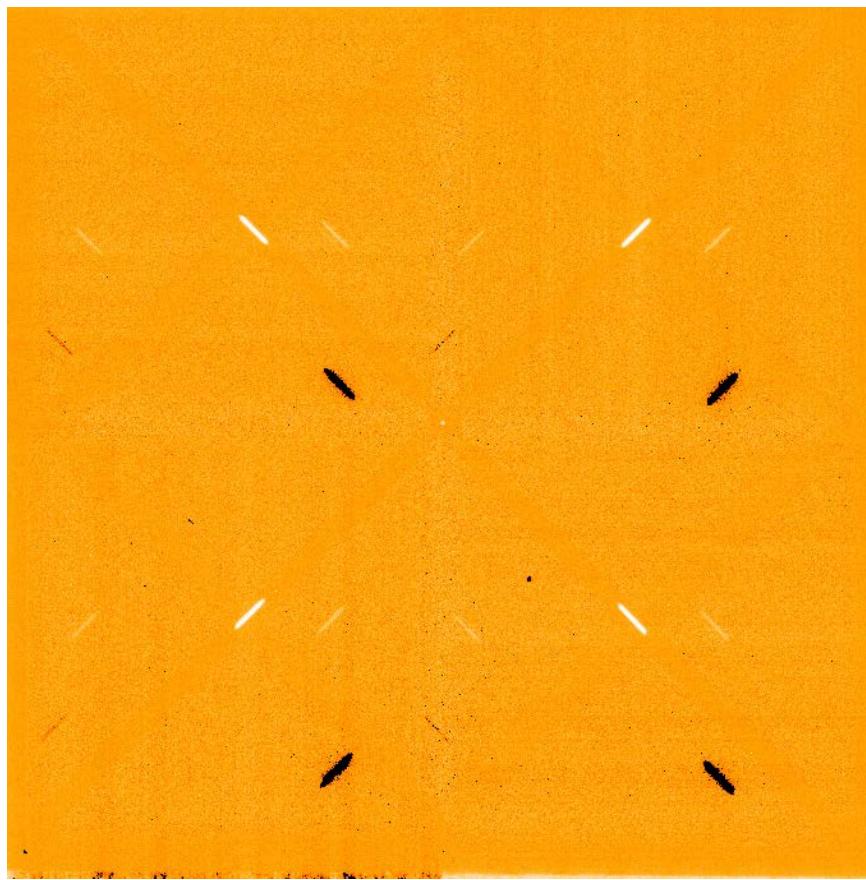
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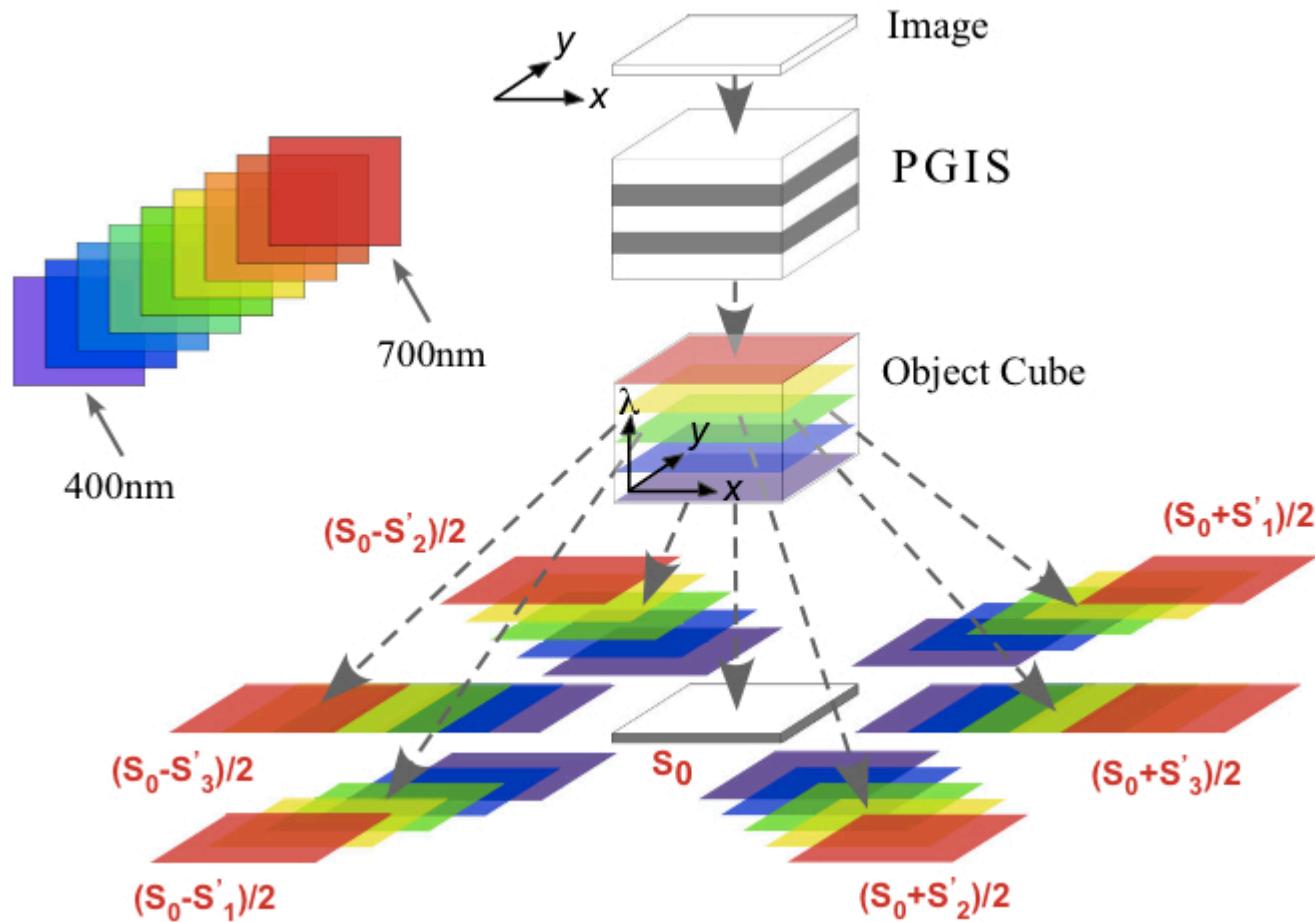


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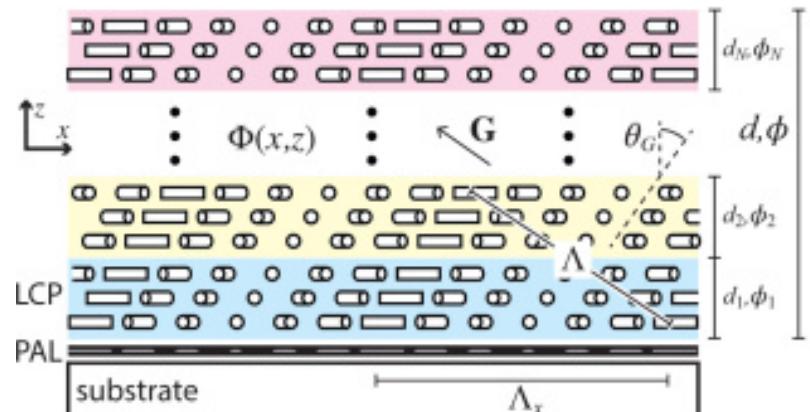
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# hyperspectral polarimetric imaging

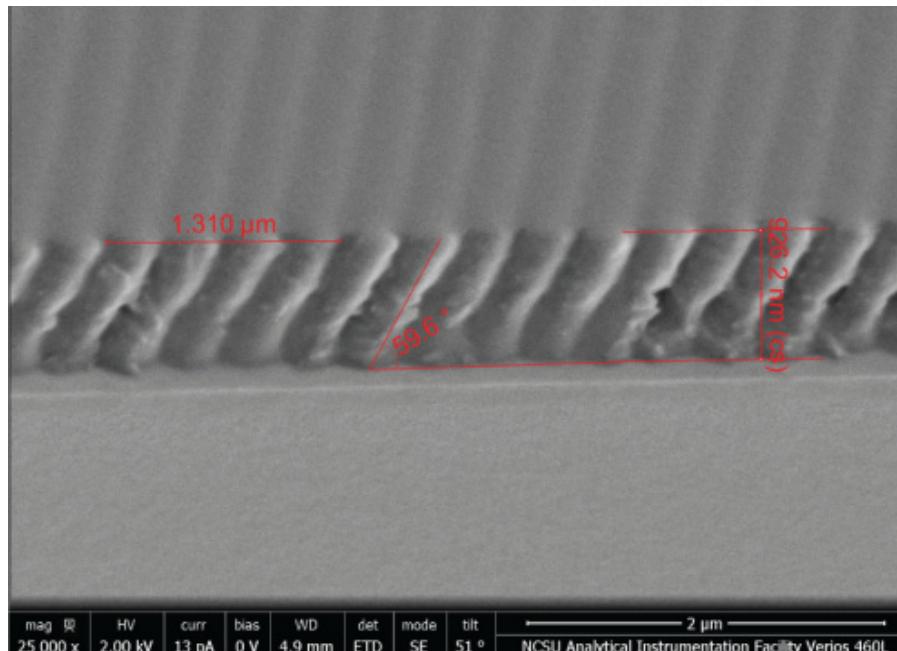
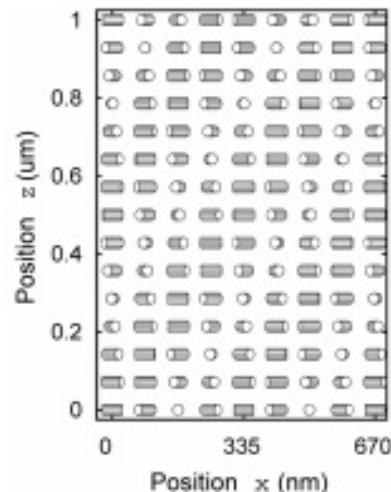


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# LC Bragg gratings



(a)

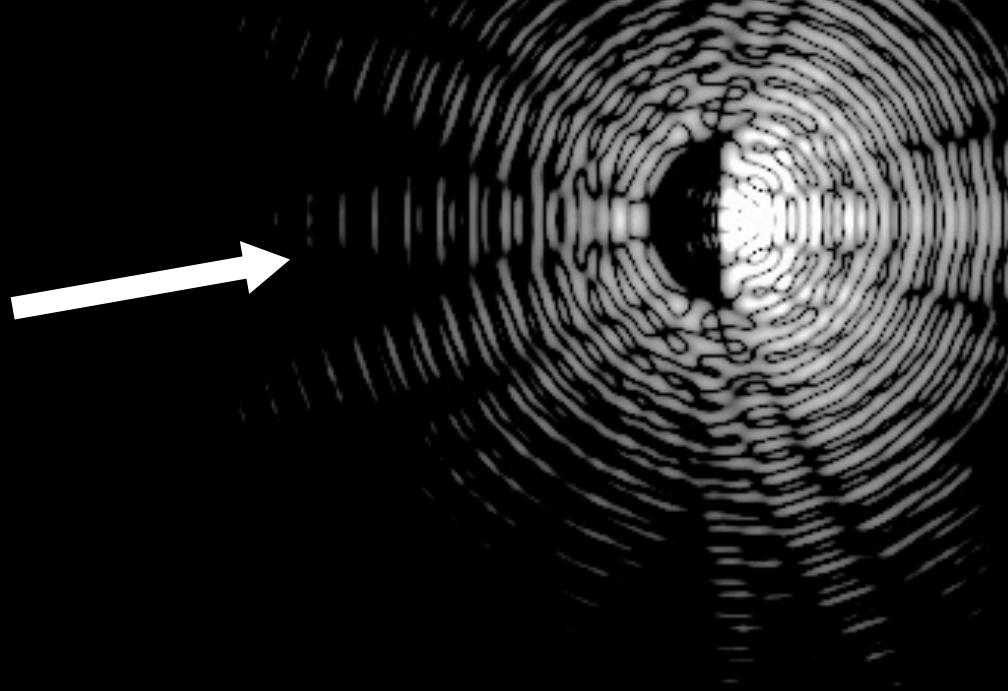
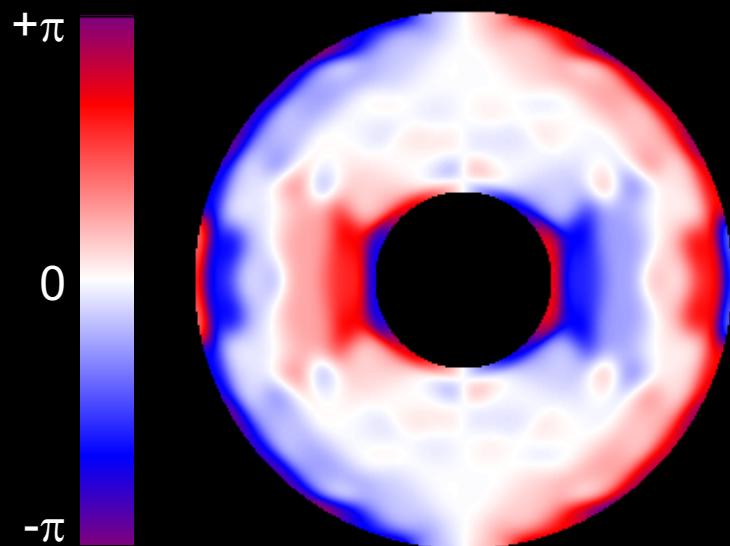


# What if you're not interested in polarization or $m=-1$ ?

Split off half the light effectively with a polarizing beam-splitter + a QWP, and use that light for

- WFS
- imaging
- whatever...

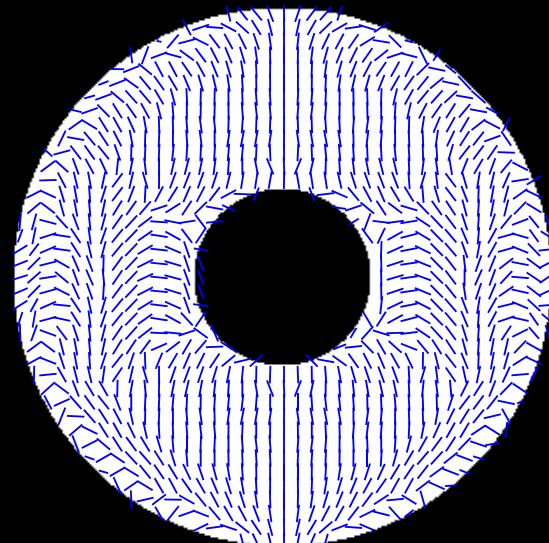
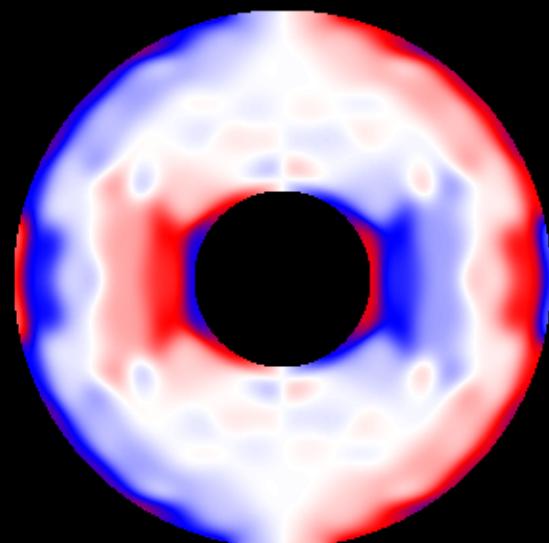
# Apodizing Phase Plate coronagraph



## classical phase

- chromatic
- impossible to manufacture extreme patterns
- only  $180^\circ$  instantaneous search space

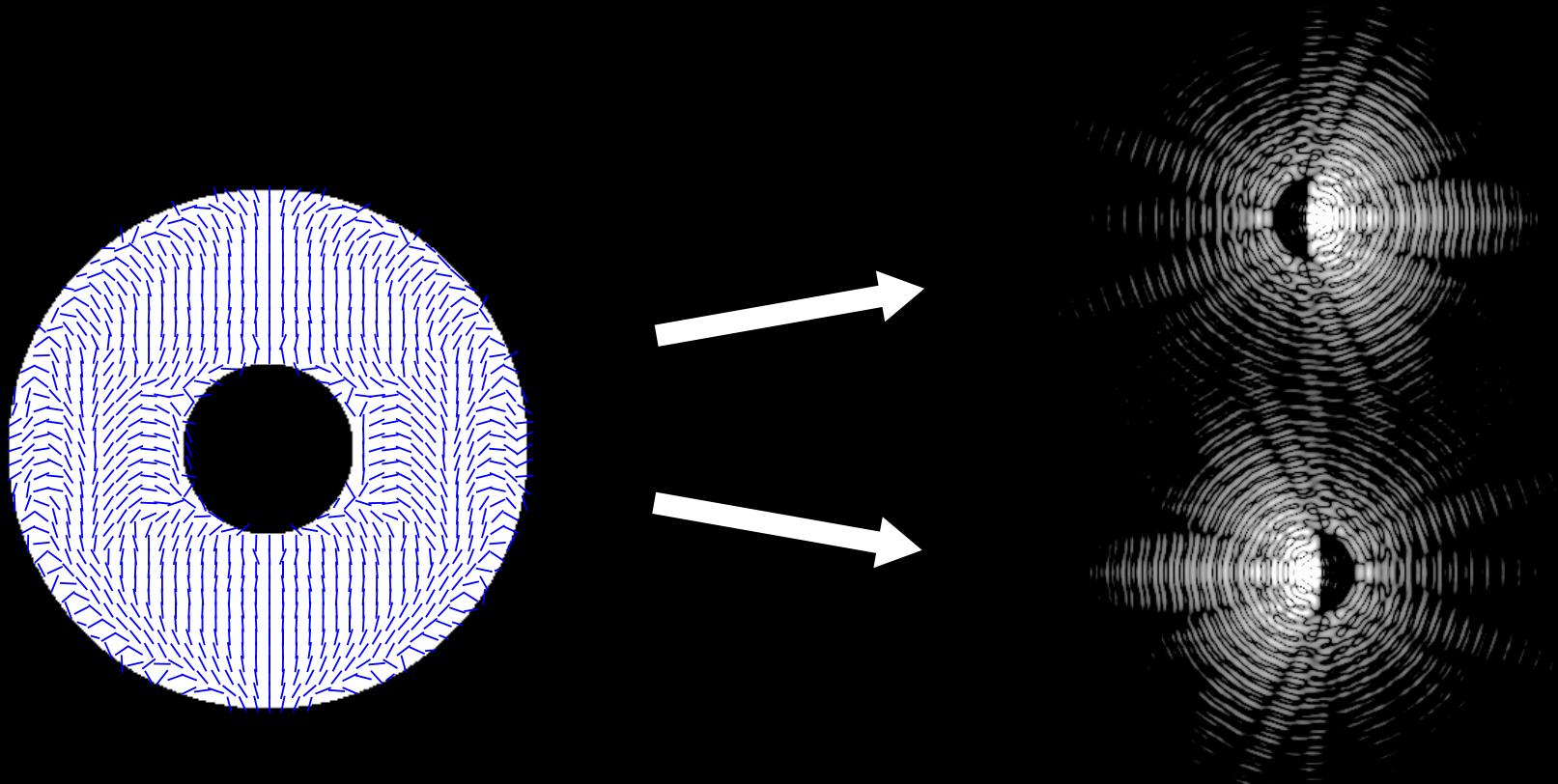
# vector-APP coronagraph



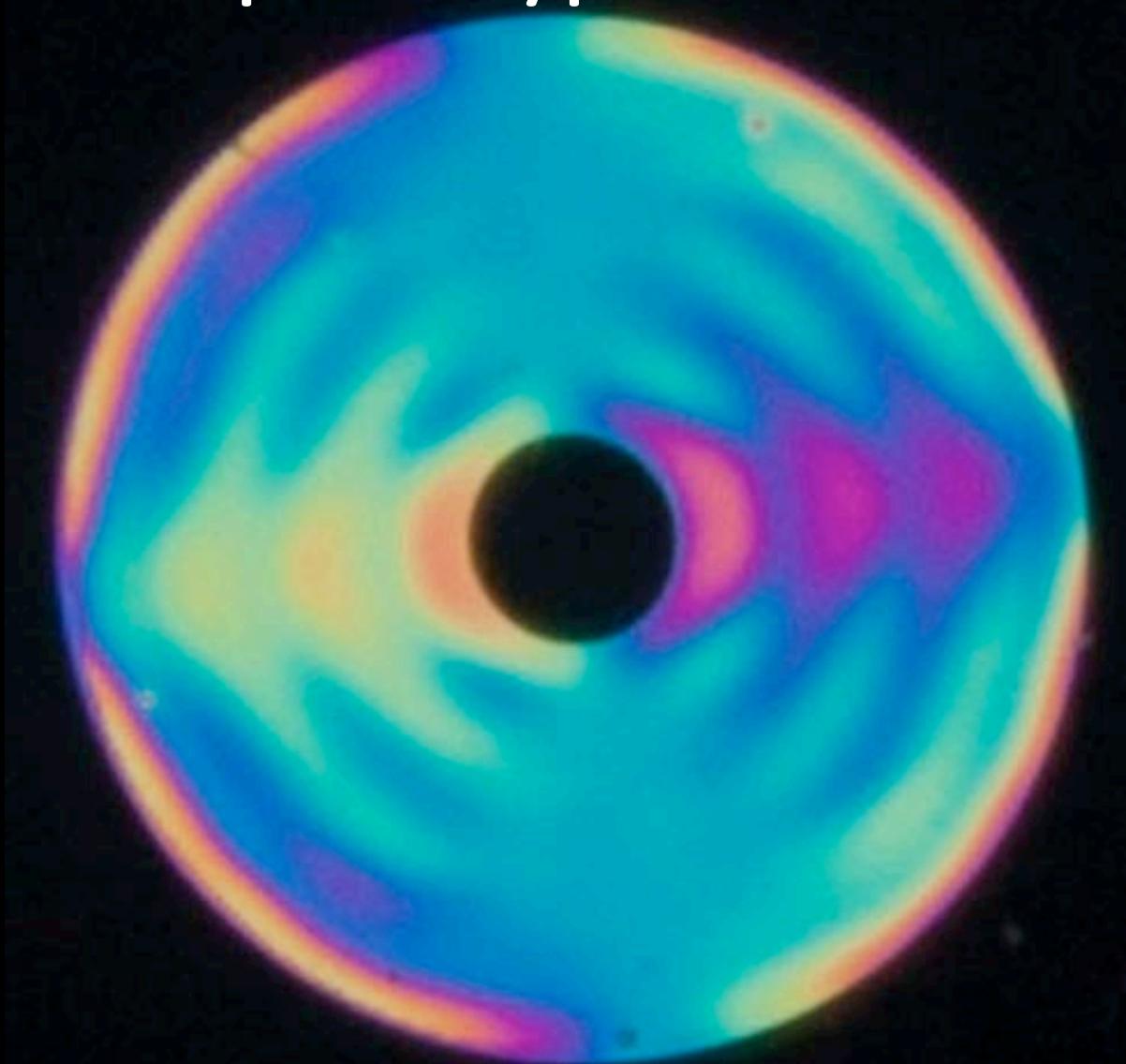
# **vector-APP coronagraph**

## **geometric phase**

- inherently achromatic
- use liquid crystals for extreme patterns
- two complementary PSFs



the vAPP prototype



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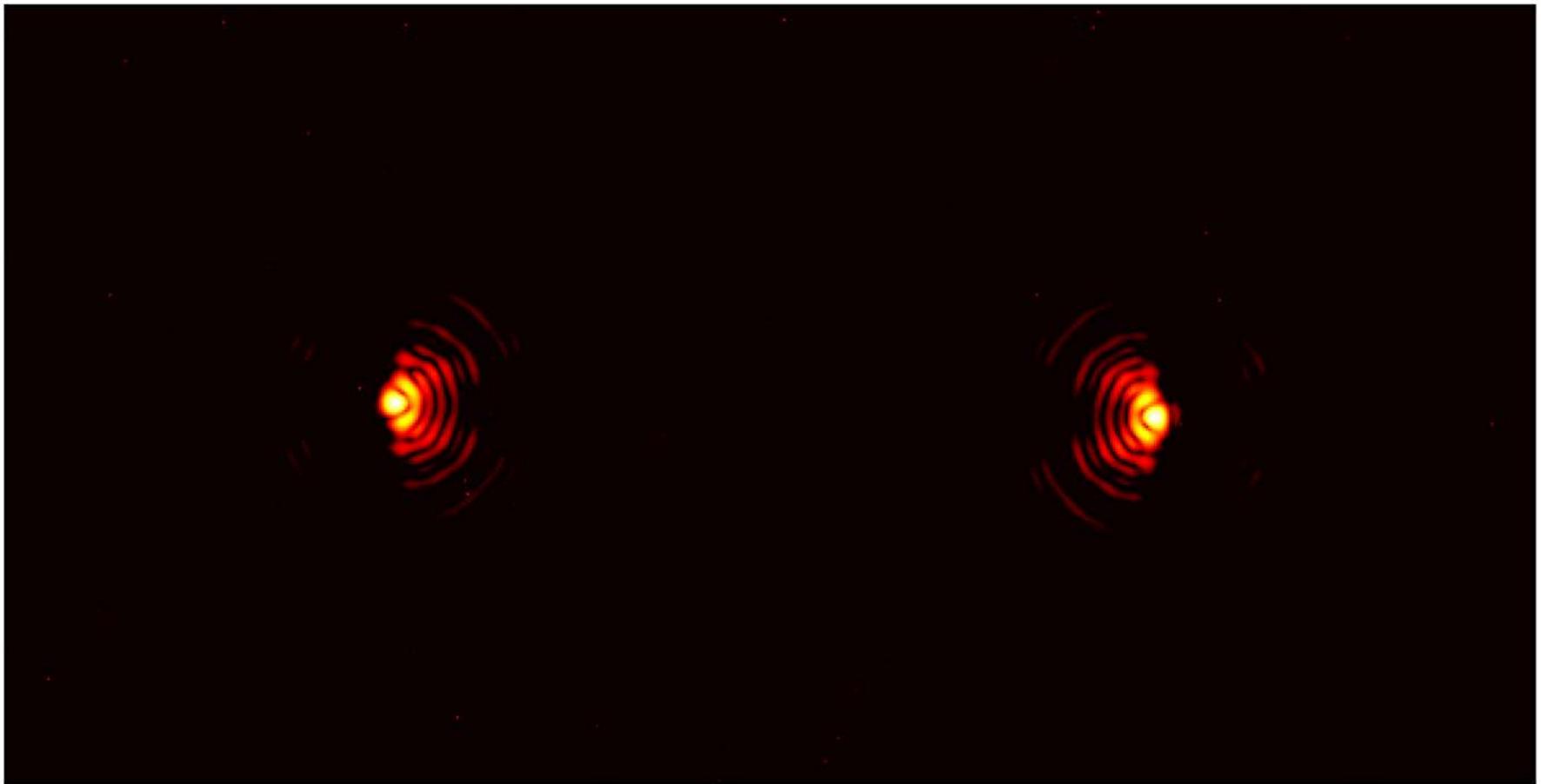


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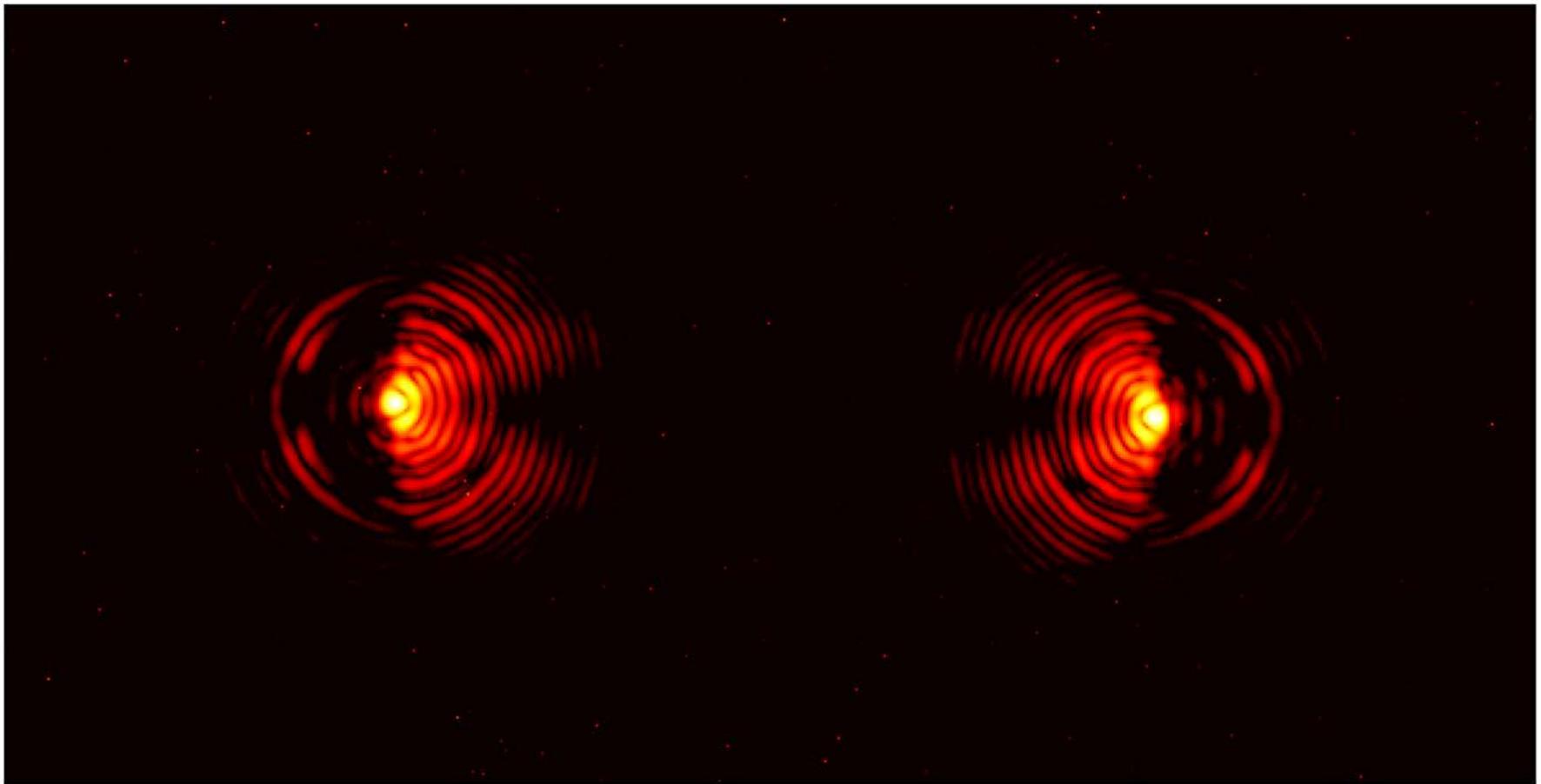
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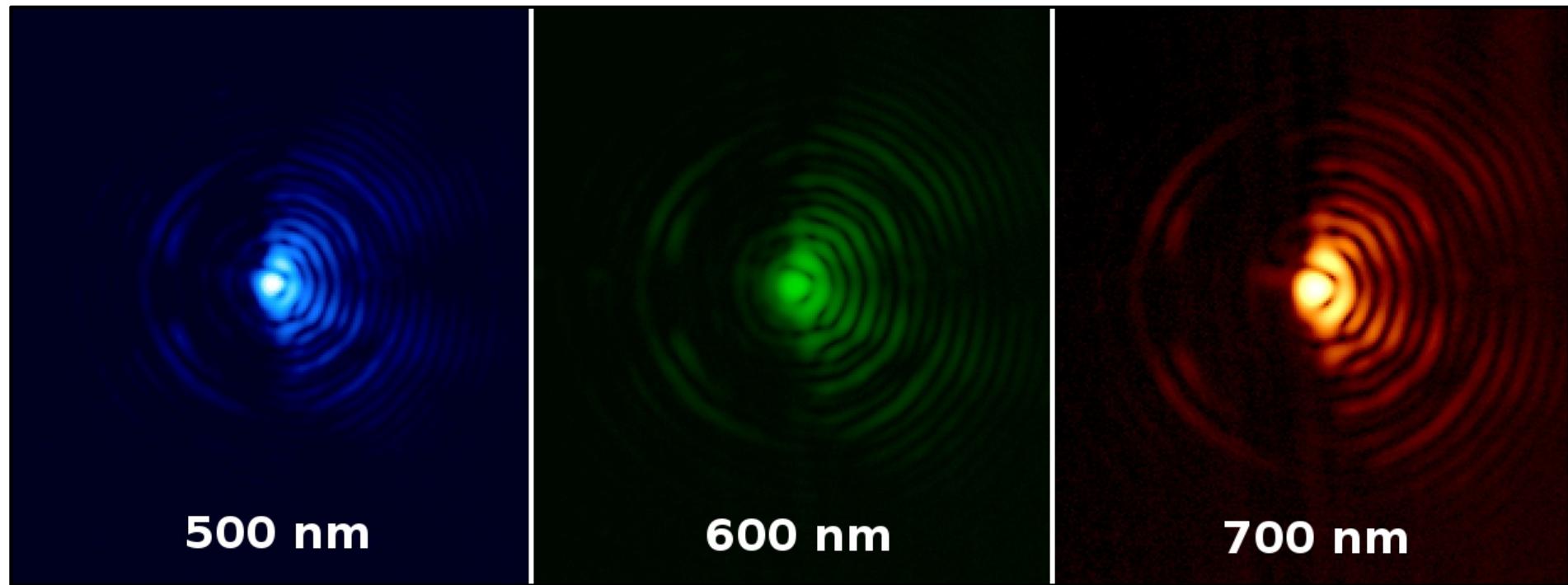
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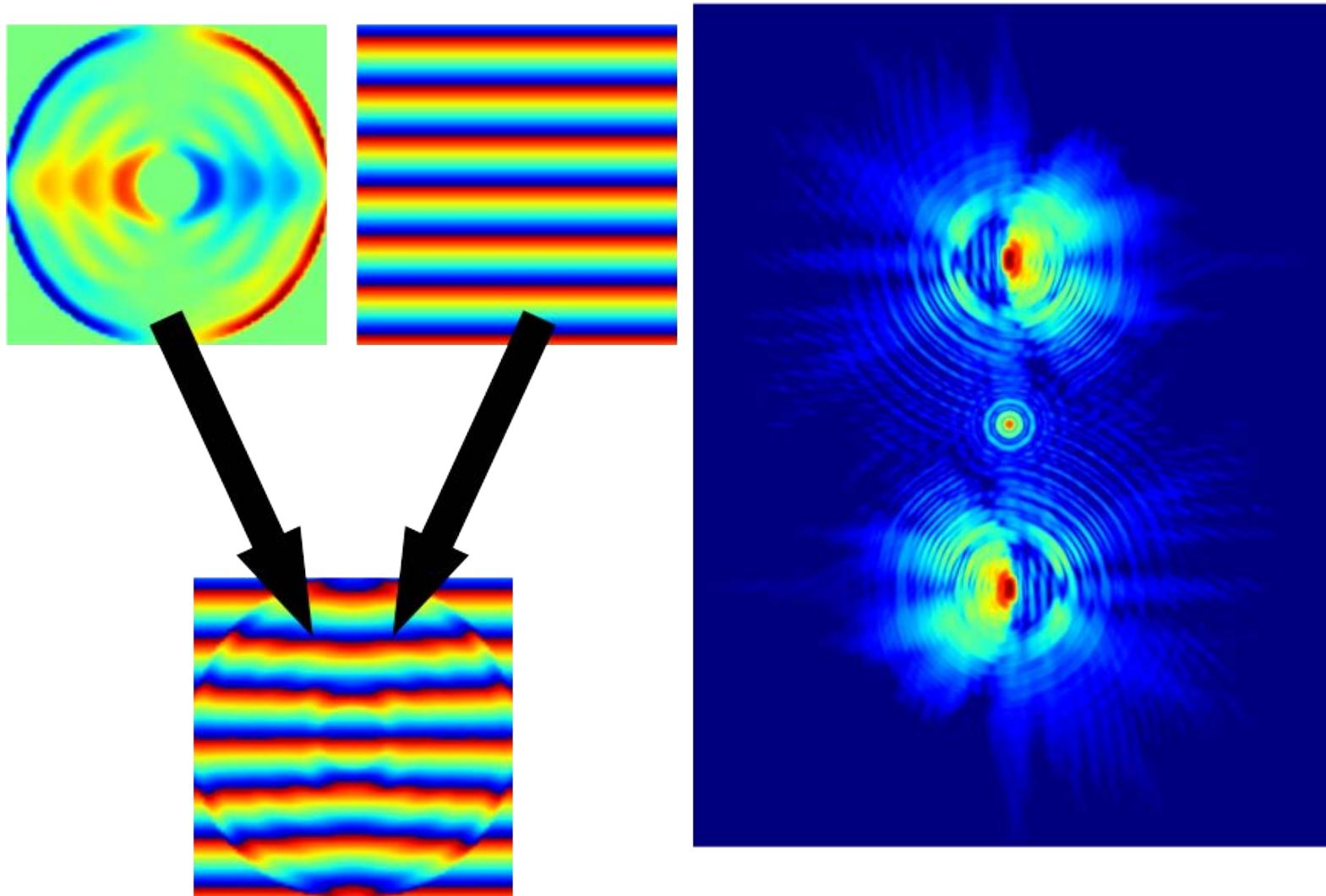


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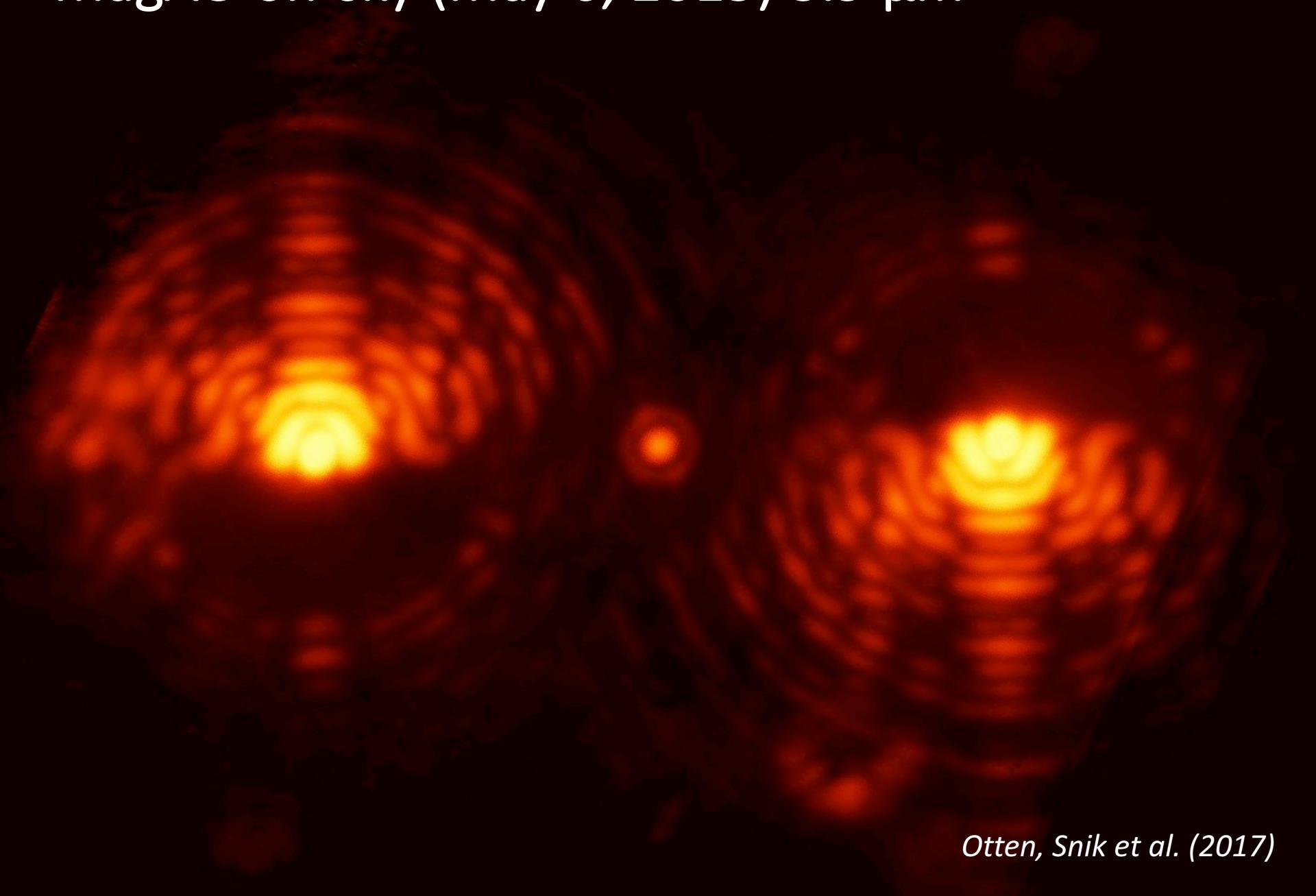


# grating-vAPP (gvAPP)



Otten, Snik et al. SPIE (2014)

# MagAO on-sky (May 6, 2015) 3.9 μm

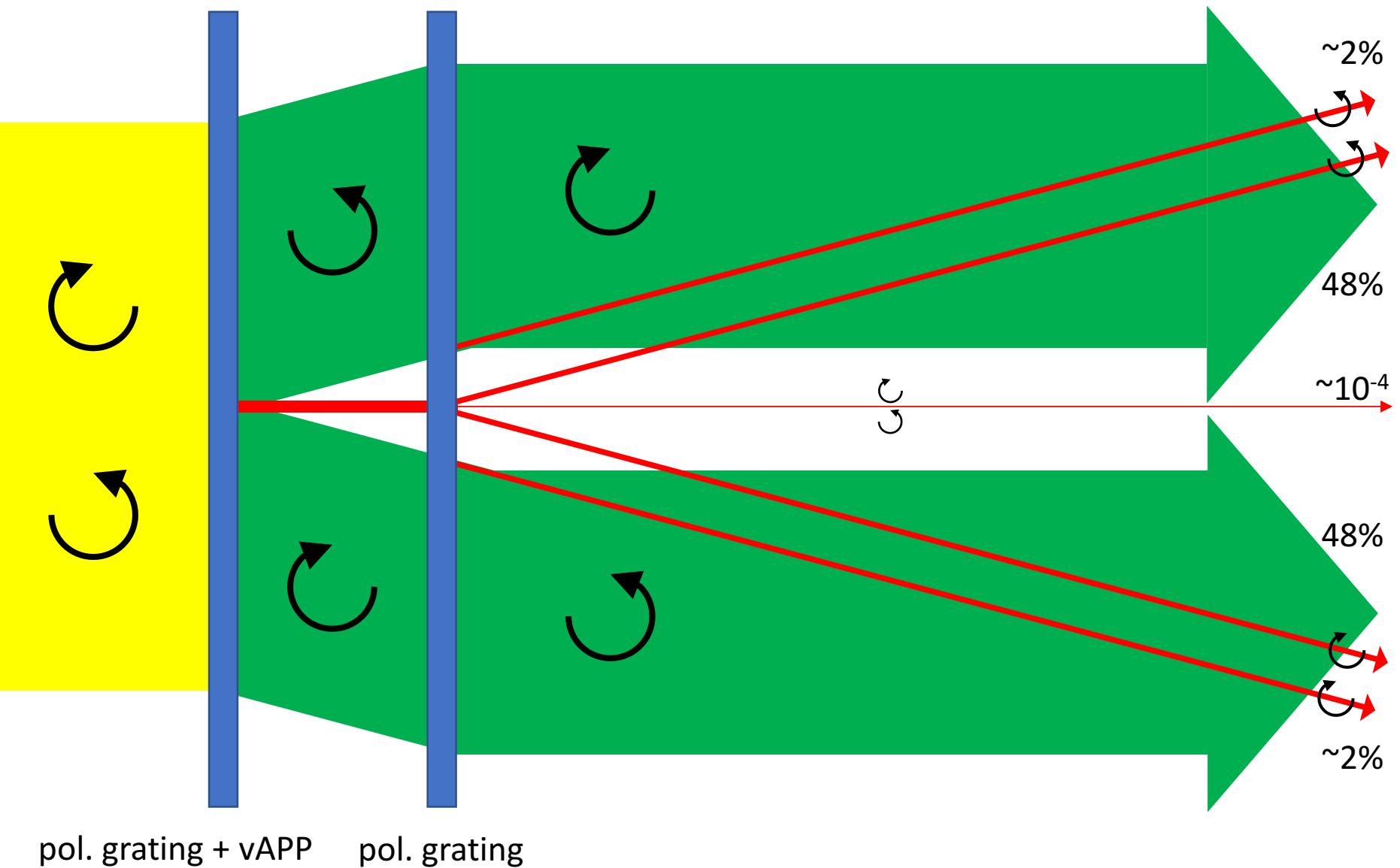


Otten, Snik et al. (2017)



vAPP for LBT  
*courtesy: David Doelman*

# double-grating-vAPP



2x 8.4-m LBT / LMIRCam



30-cm HiCIBaS



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8.2-m Subaru / SCExAO



6.5-m MMT / MMTpol



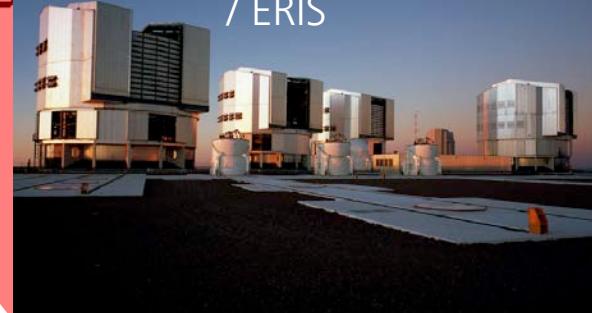
4.2-m WHT / LExI

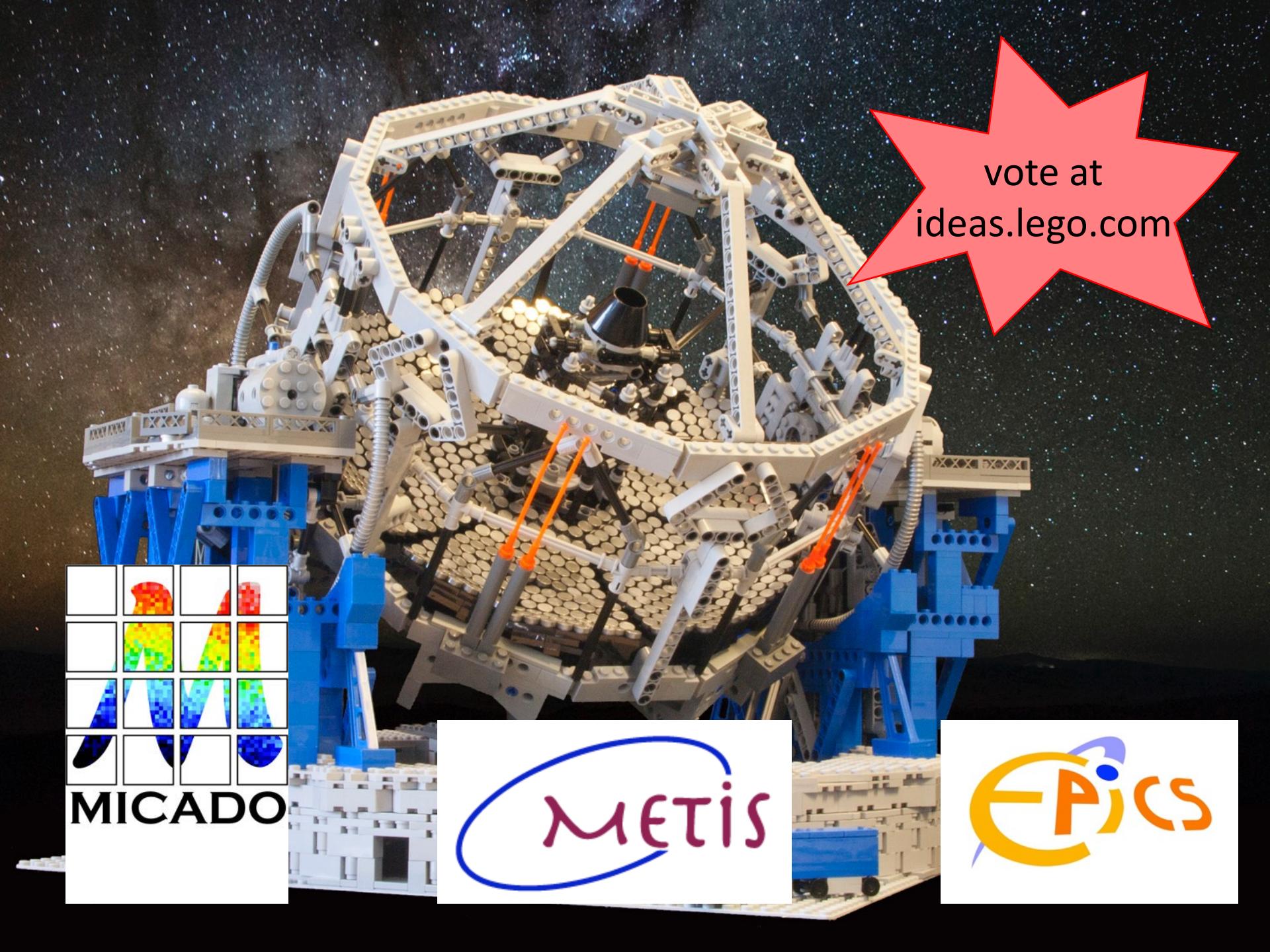


6.5-m Magellan / MagAO  
/ MagAO-X

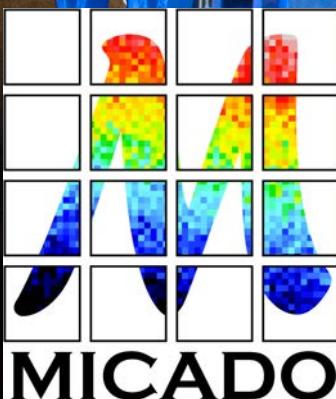


8.2-m VLT / SPHERE upgrade  
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