

Quantum enhanced measurements

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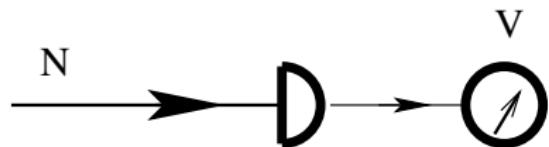
Semiclassical optics

- light is a wave
- color (wavelength/frequency) is important
- amplitude (a) and phase are important, $E(t) = ae^{i(kz-\omega t)}$
- cannot explain residual measurements noise



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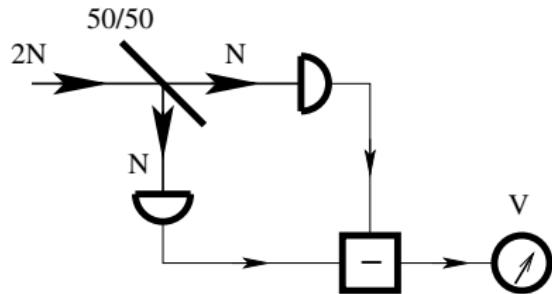
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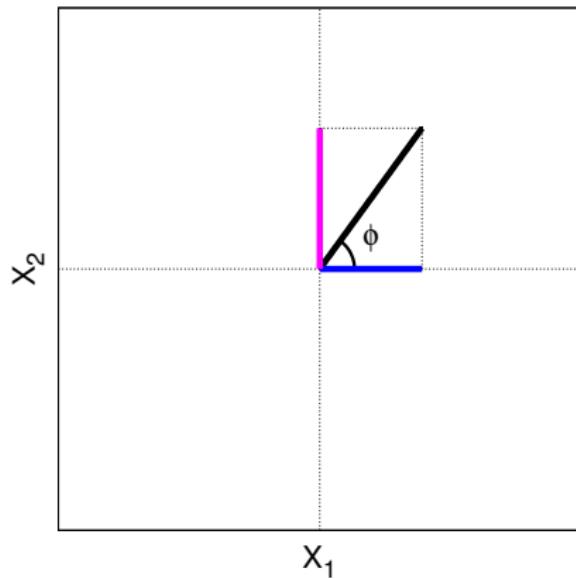
$$V = 0$$

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Classical field

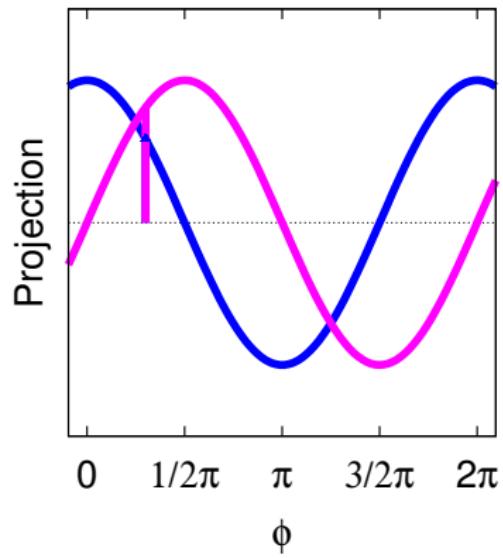
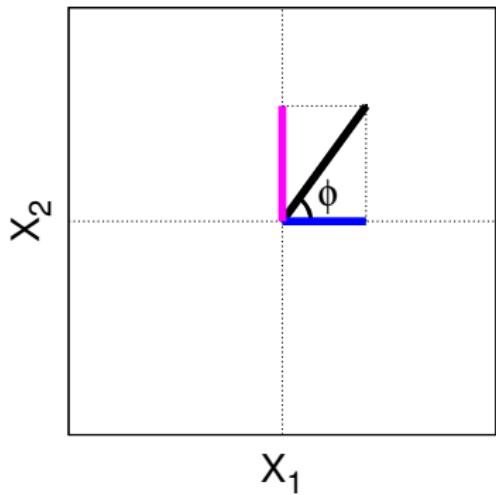
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Detectors sense the **real** part of the field (X_1) but there is a way to see X_2 as well



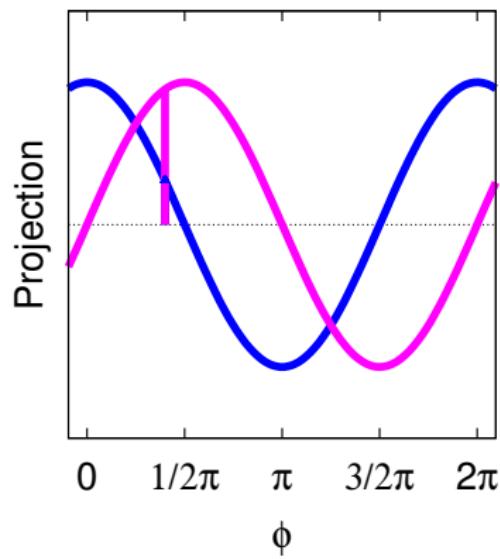
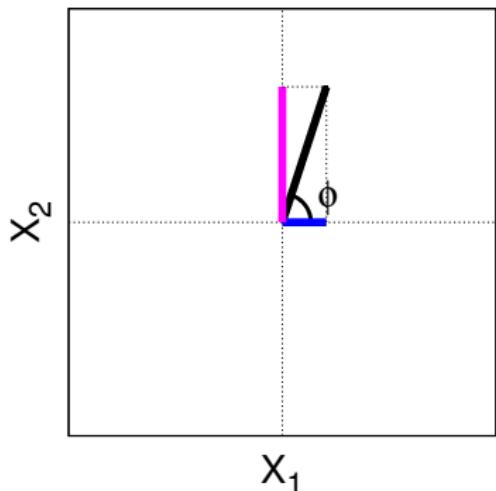
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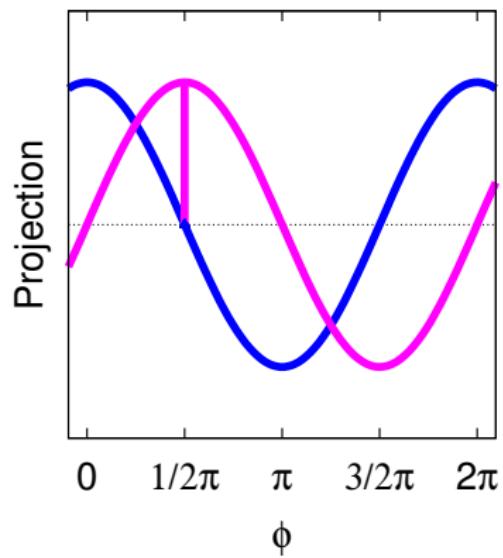
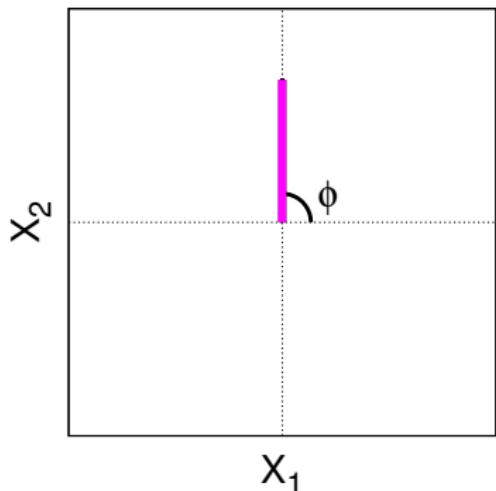
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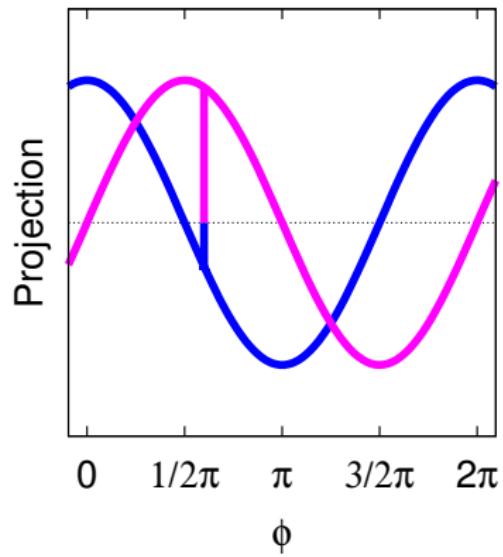
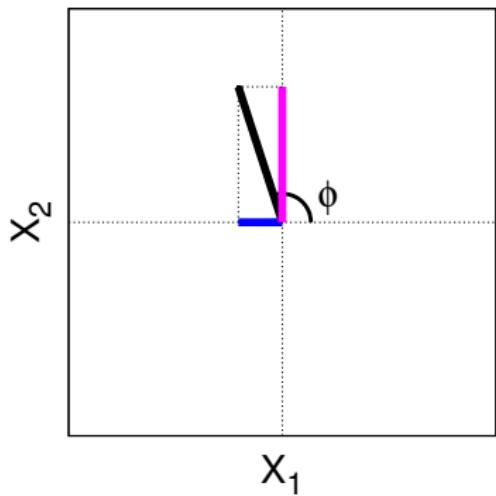
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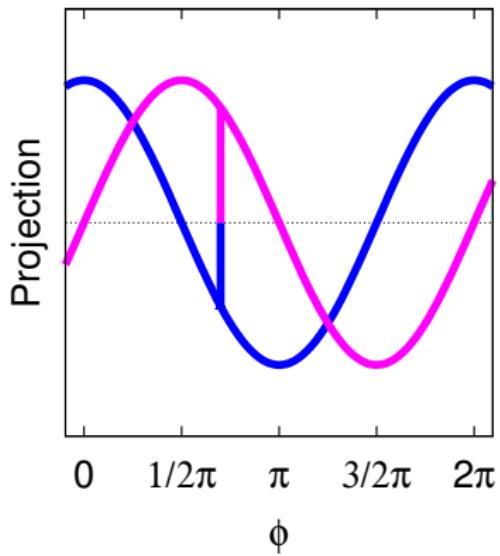
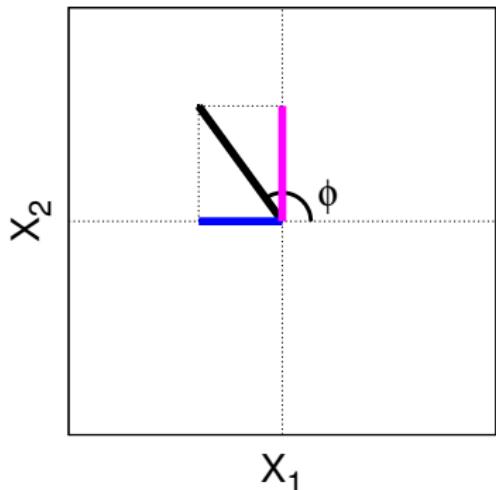
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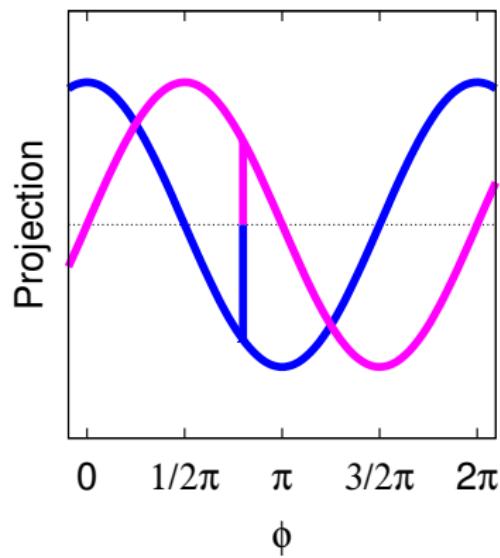
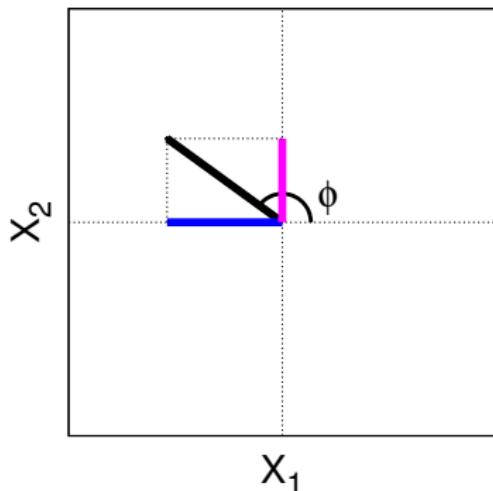
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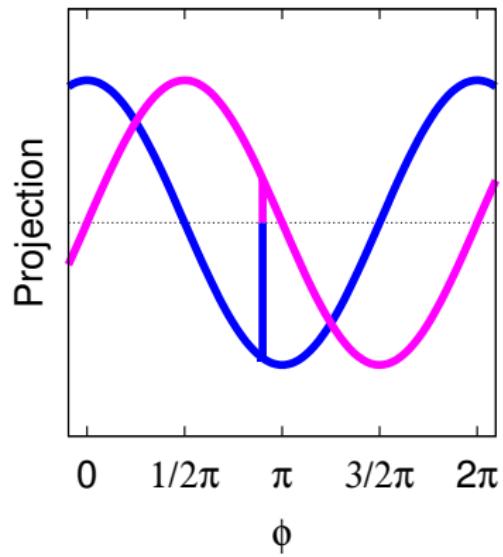
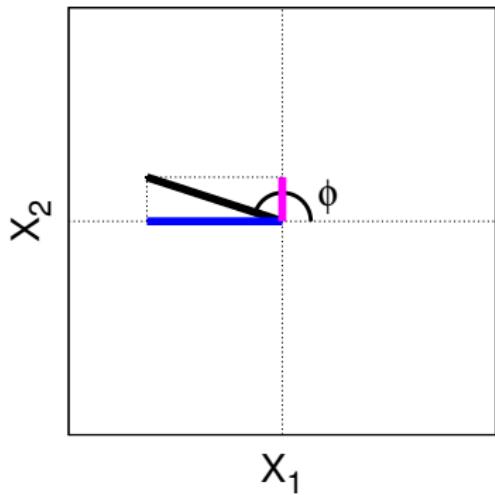
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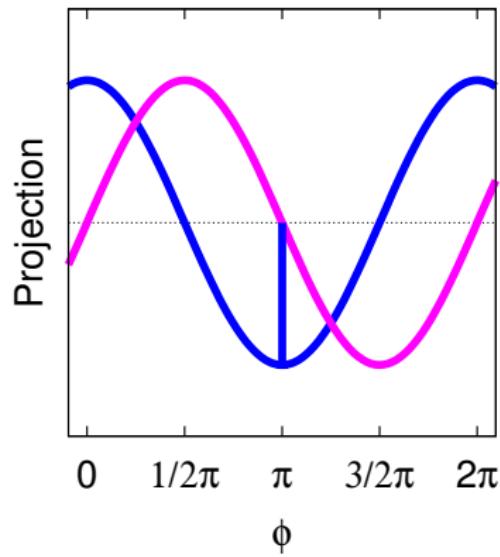
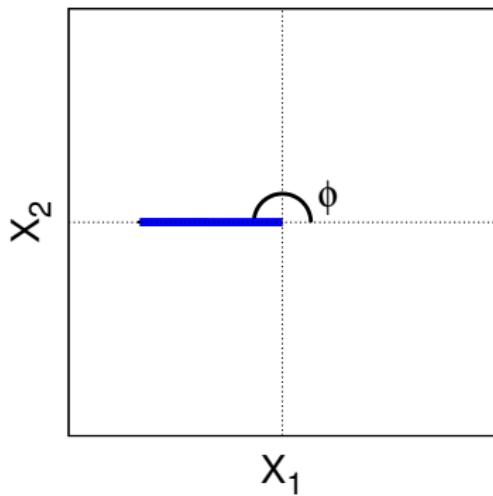
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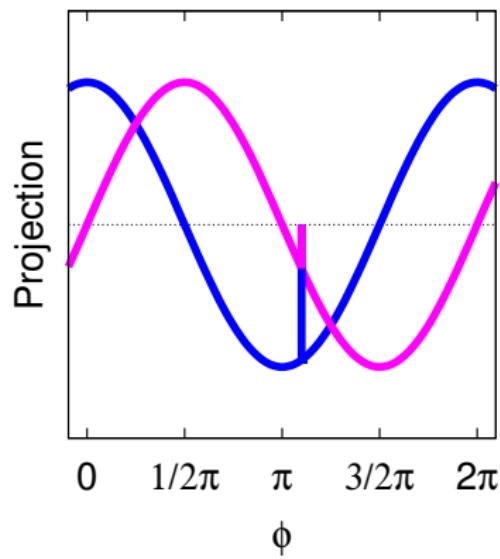
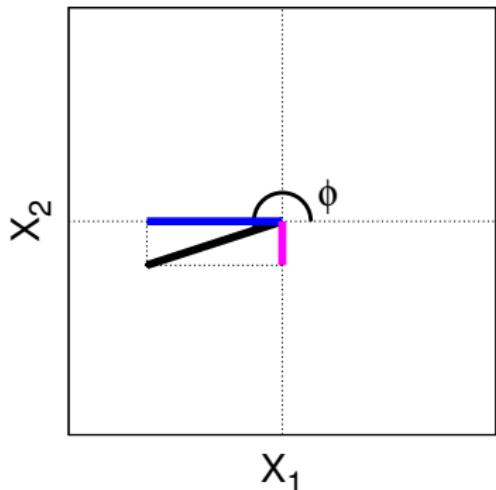
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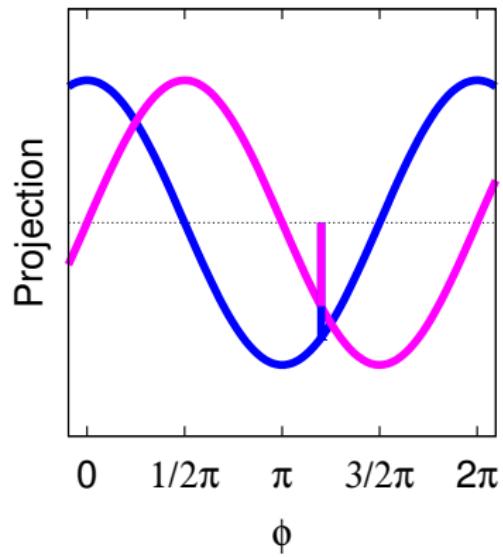
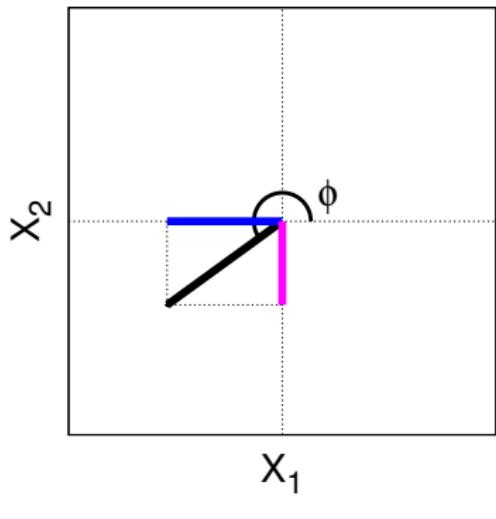
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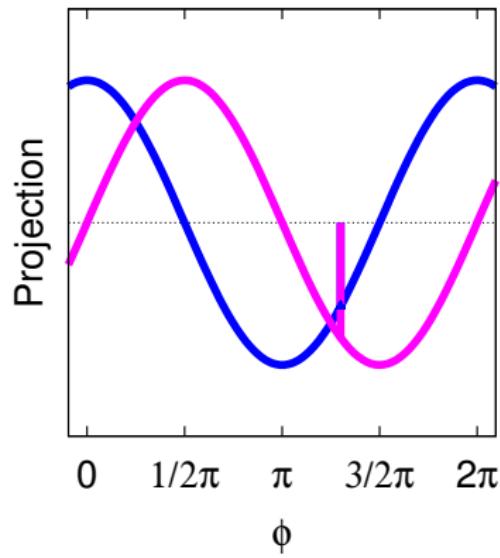
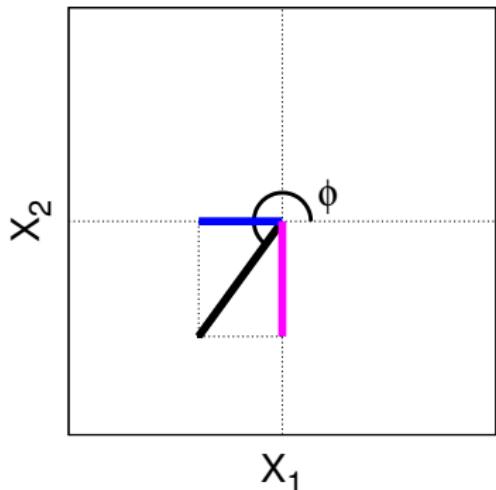
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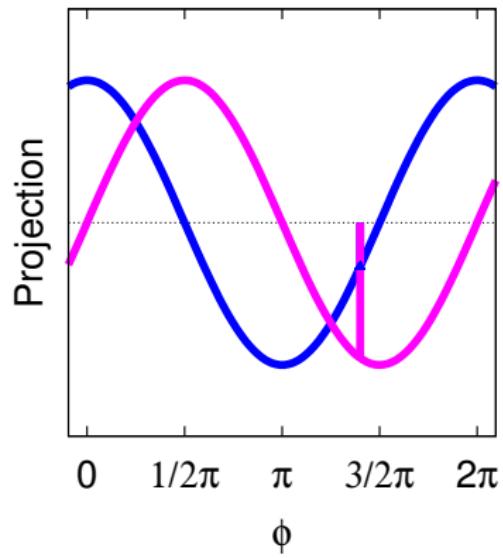
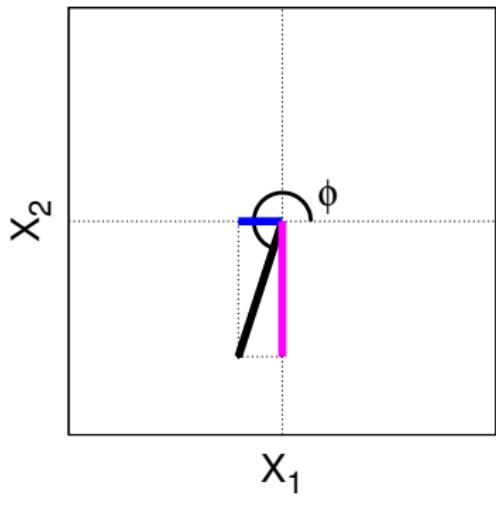
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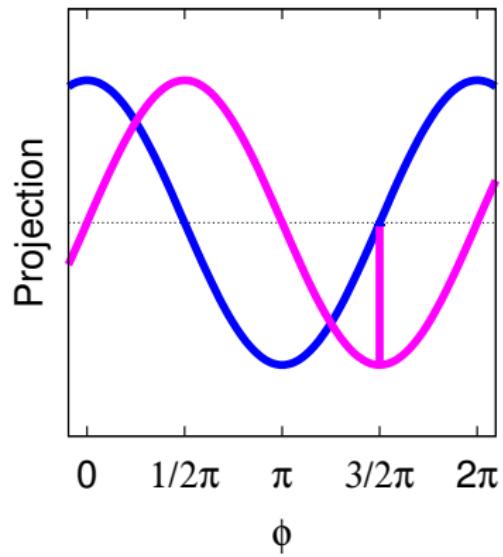
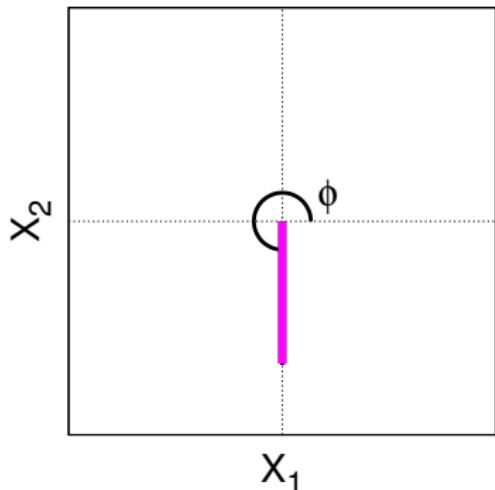
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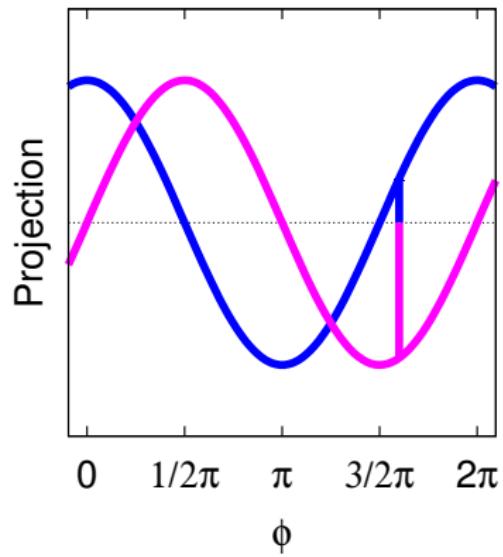
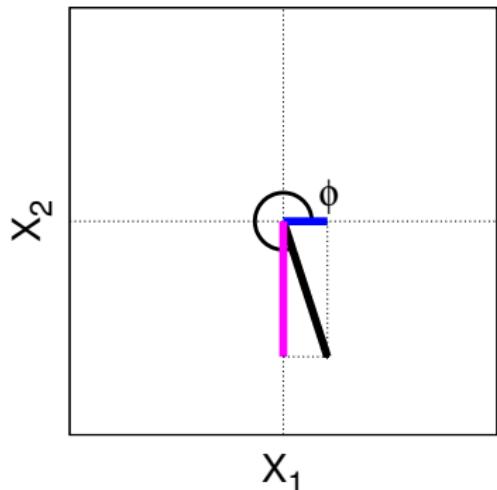
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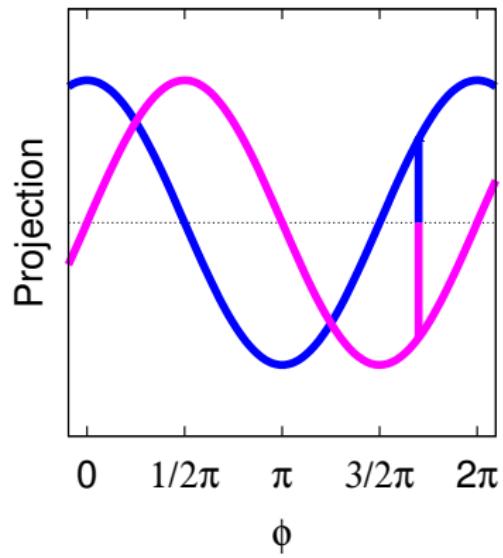
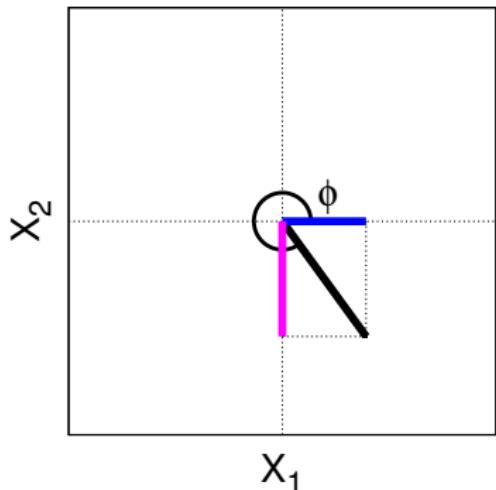
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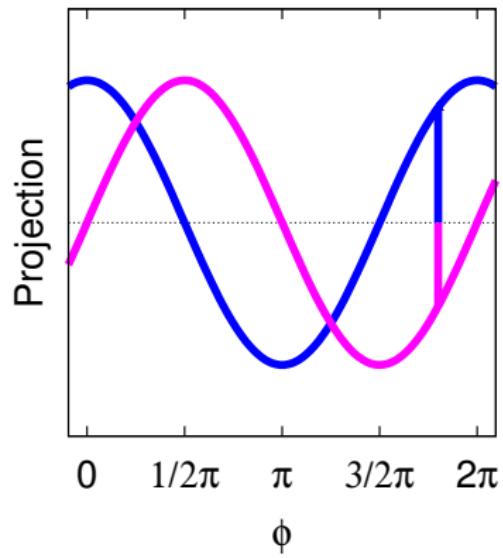
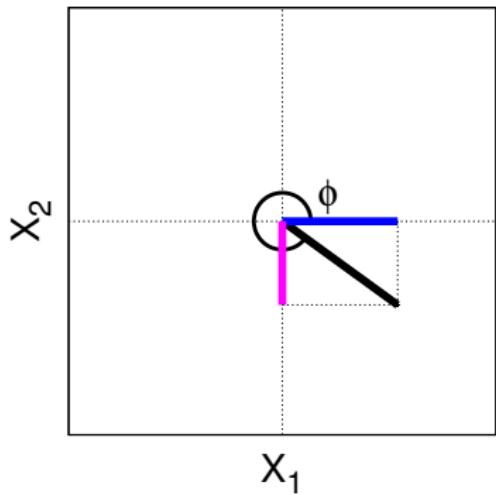
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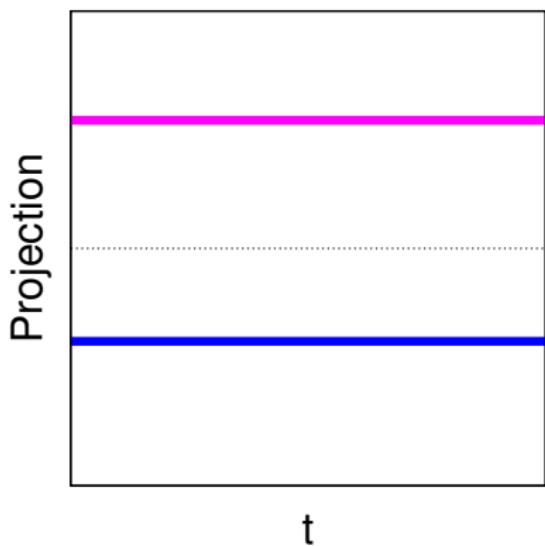
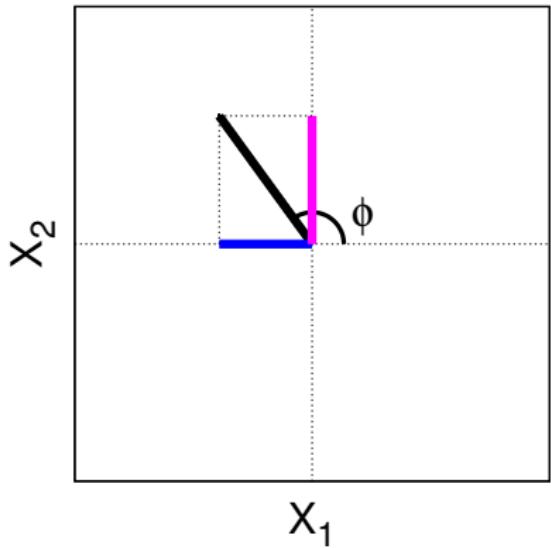
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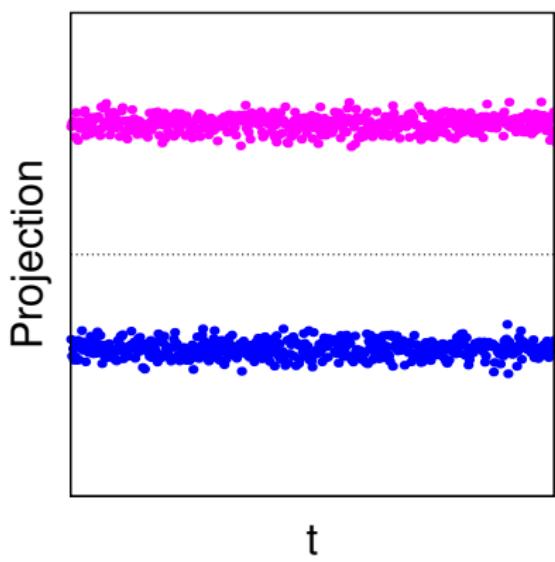
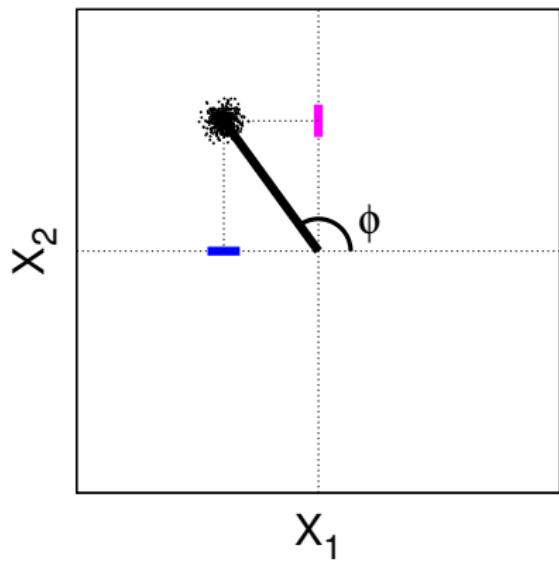
Classical quadratures vs time in a rotating frame

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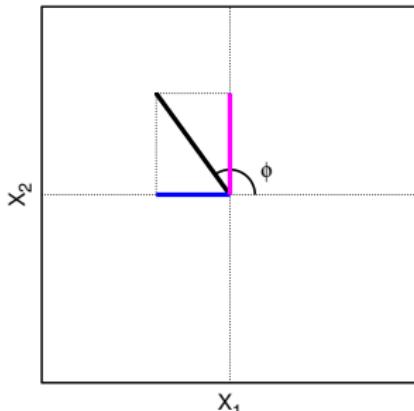


Transition from classical to quantum field

Classical analog

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- Field imaginary part
 $X_2 = i(a^* - a)/2$

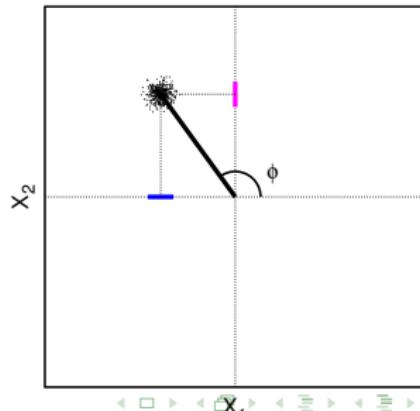
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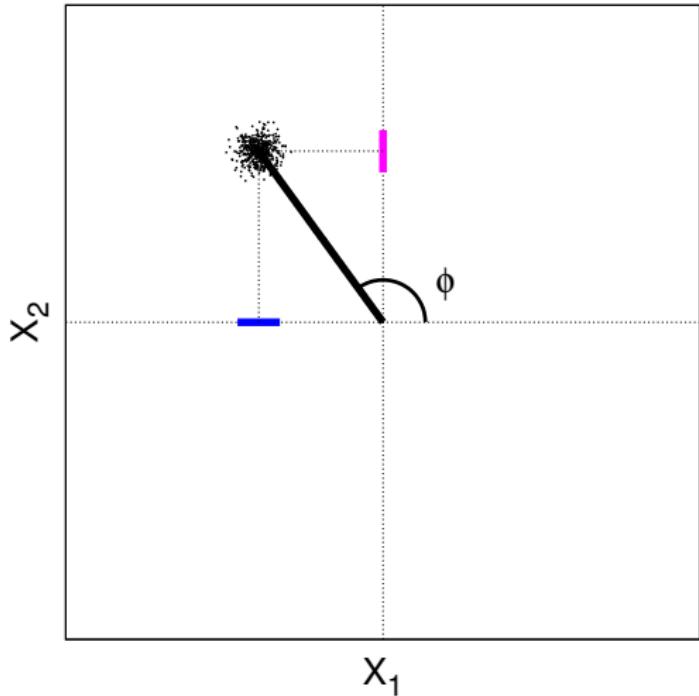
Quantum approach

- Field operator \hat{a}
- Amplitude quadrature
 $\hat{X}_1 = (\hat{a}^\dagger + \hat{a})/2$
- Phase quadrature
 $\hat{X}_2 = i(\hat{a}^\dagger - \hat{a})/2$

$$\hat{E}(\phi) = \hat{X}_1 + i\hat{X}_2$$



Quantum optics summary



Light consist of photons

- $\hat{N} = a^\dagger a$

Commutator relationship

- $[a, a^\dagger] = 1$
- $[X_1, X_2] = i/2$

Detectors measure

- number of photons \hat{N}
- Quadratures \hat{X}_1 and \hat{X}_2

Uncertainty relationship

- $\Delta X_1 \Delta X_2 \geq 1/4$

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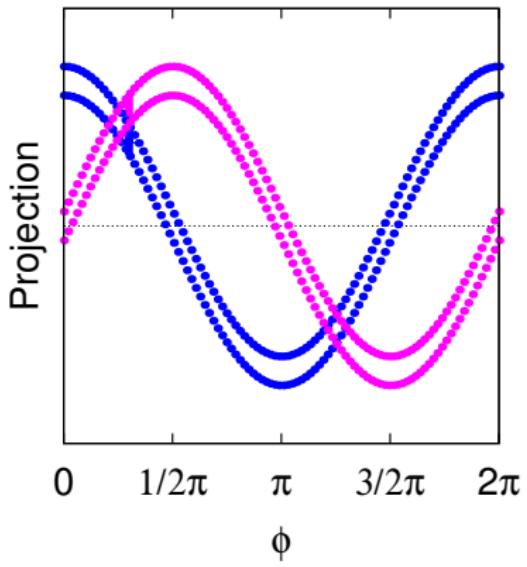
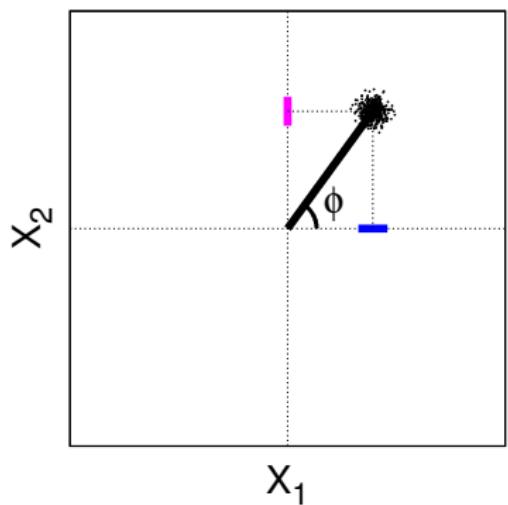
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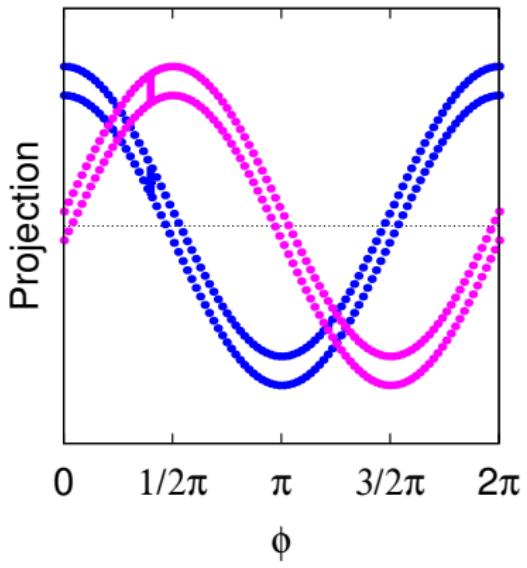
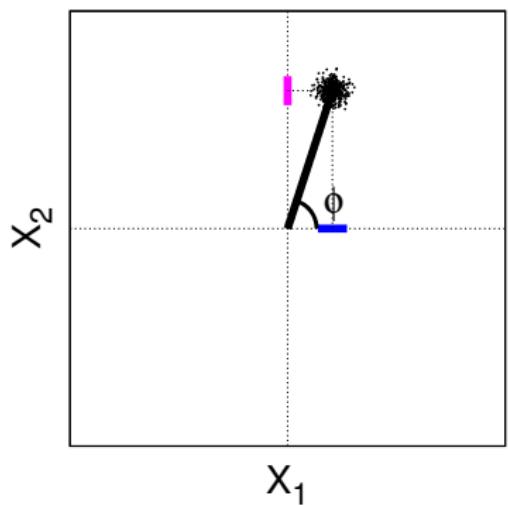
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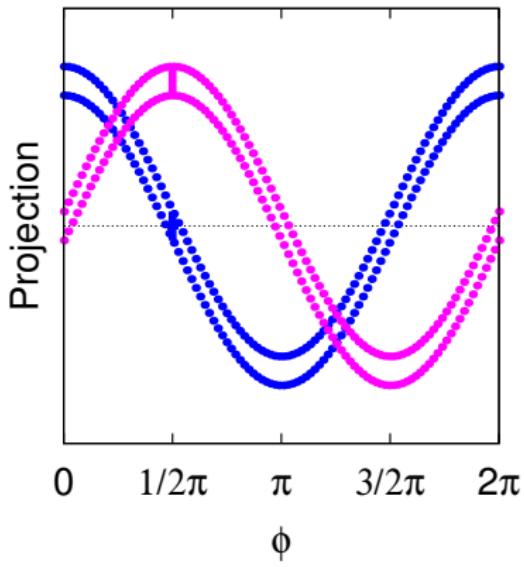
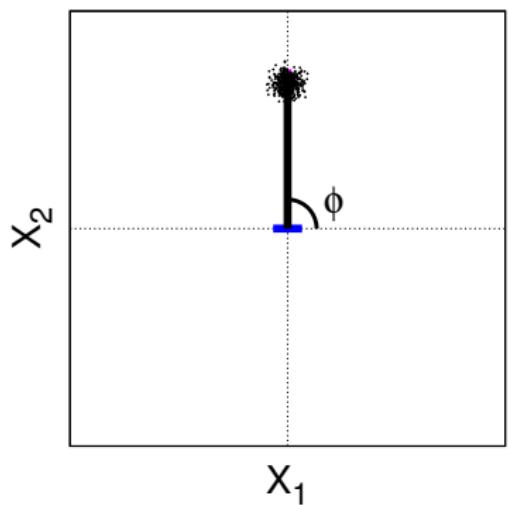
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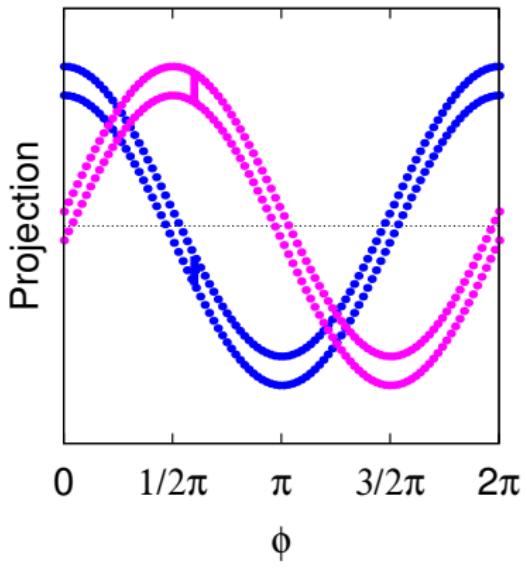
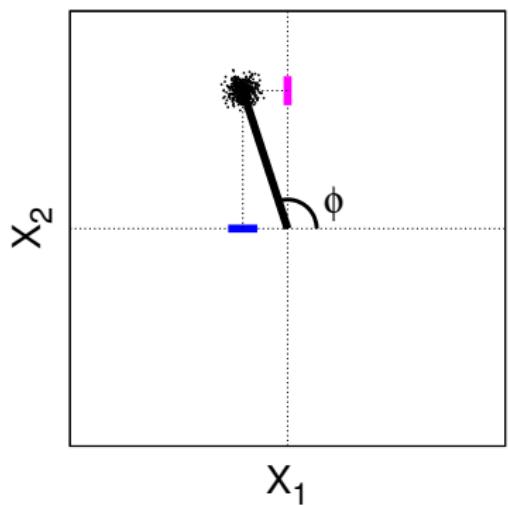
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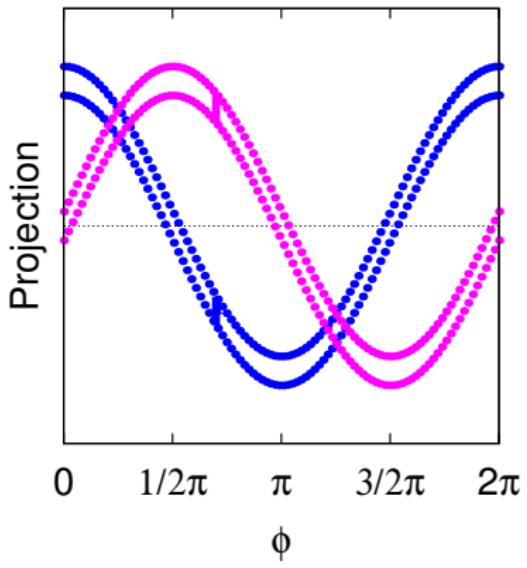
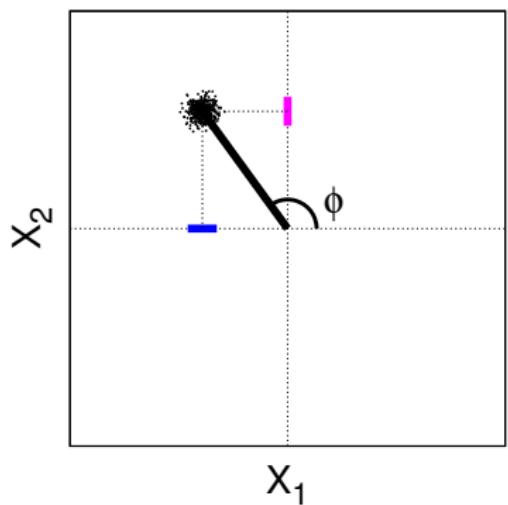
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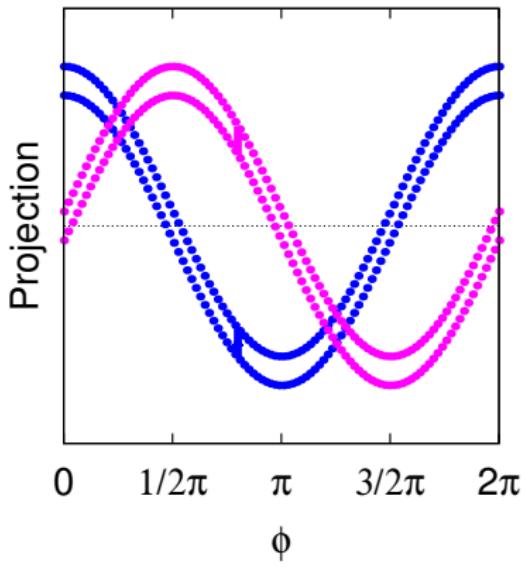
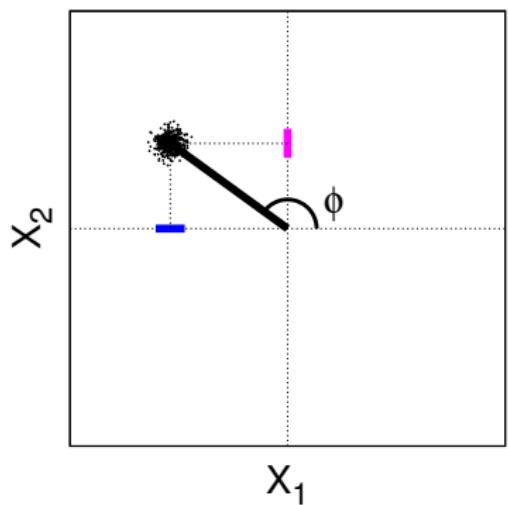
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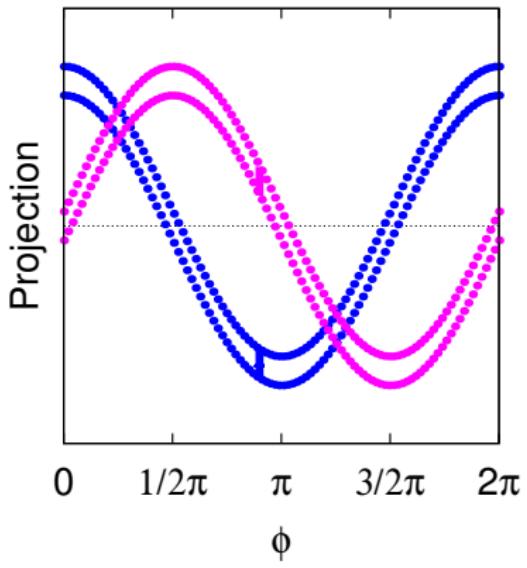
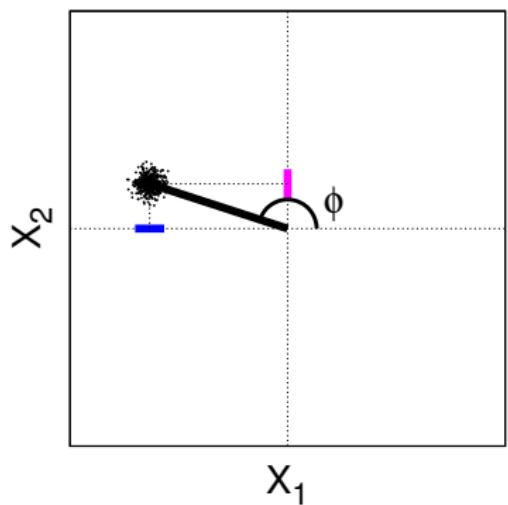
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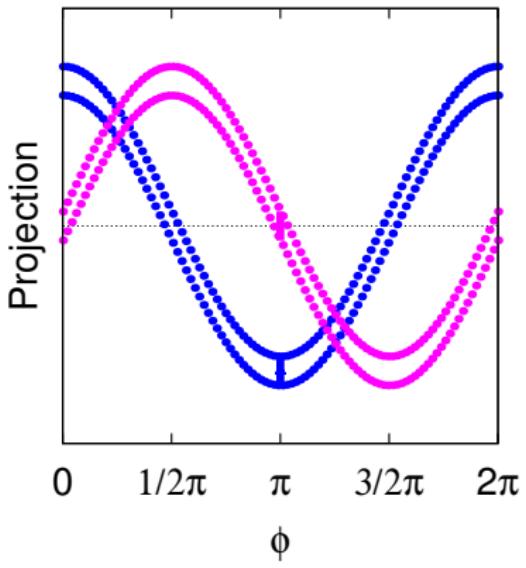
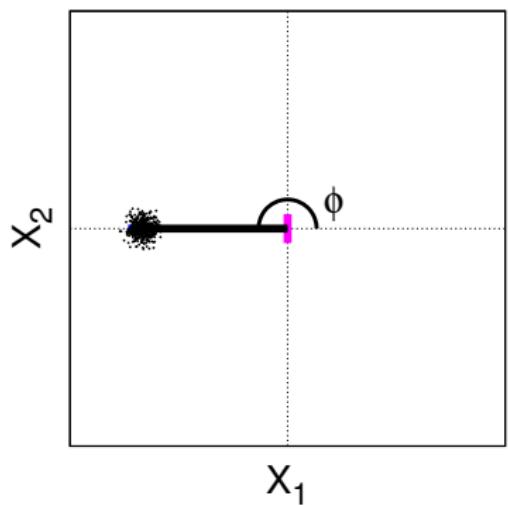
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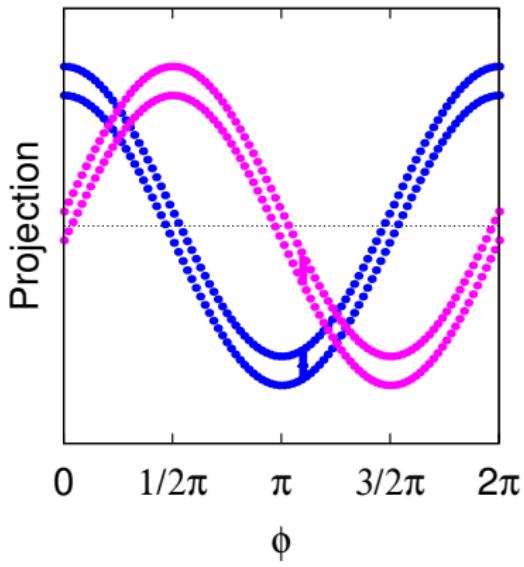
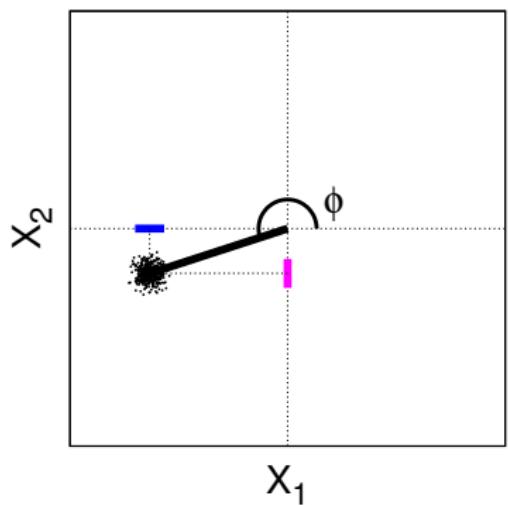
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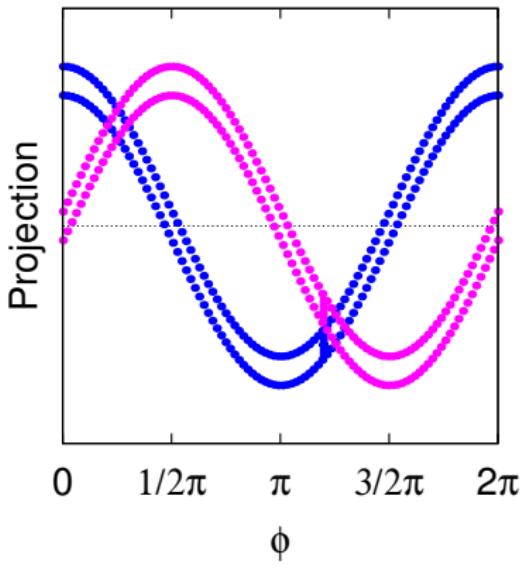
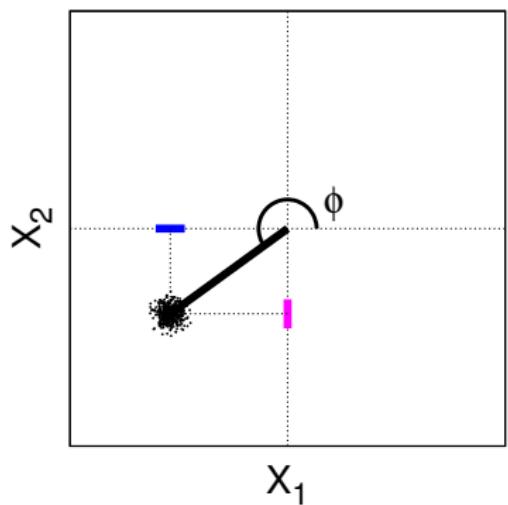
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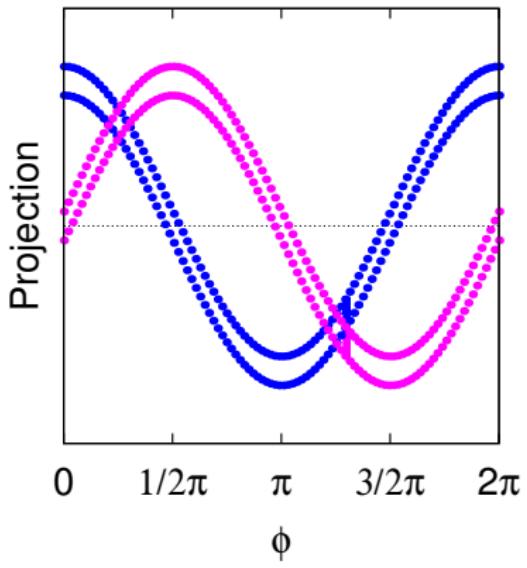
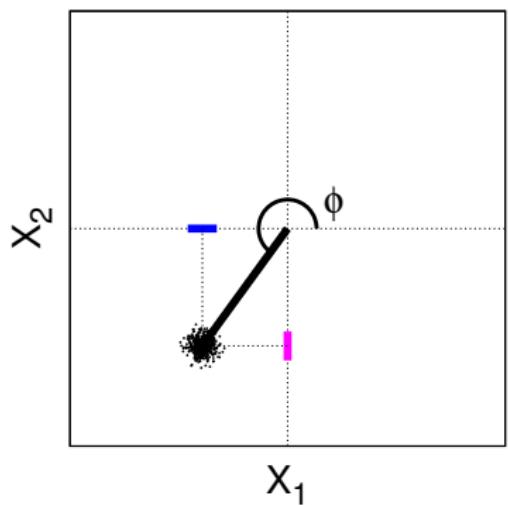
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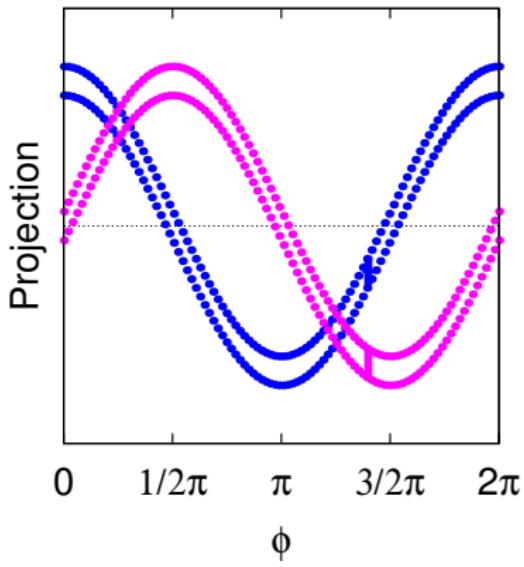
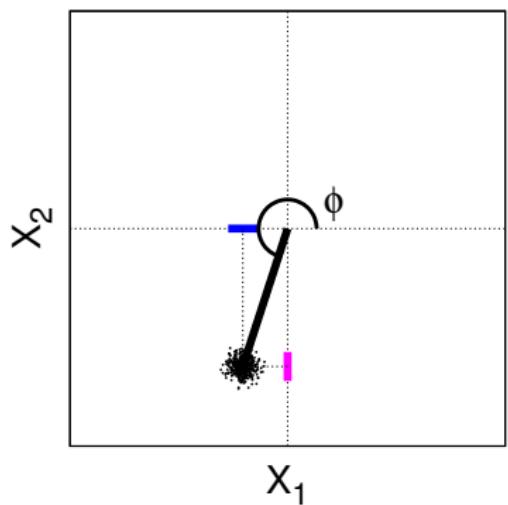
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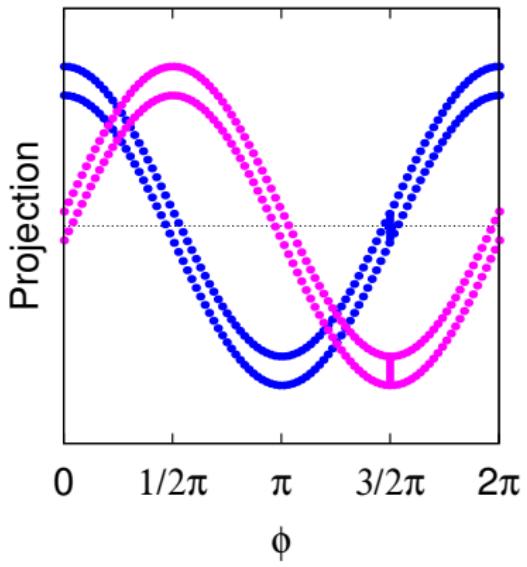
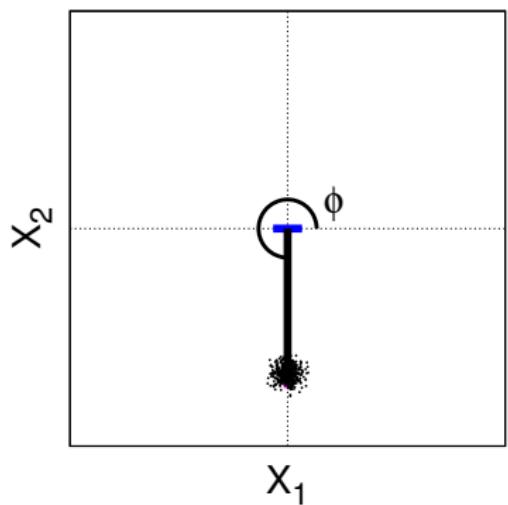
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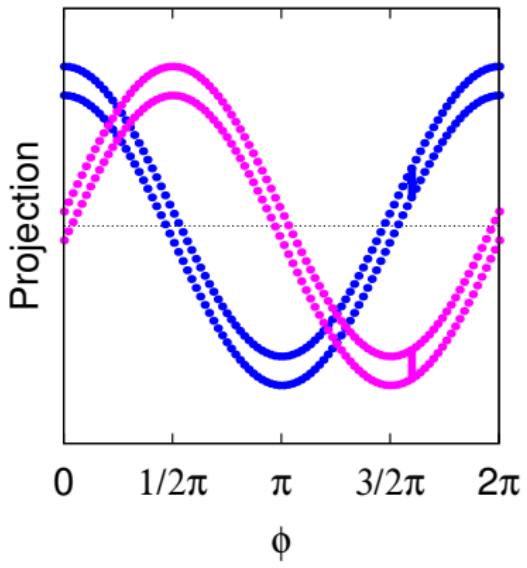
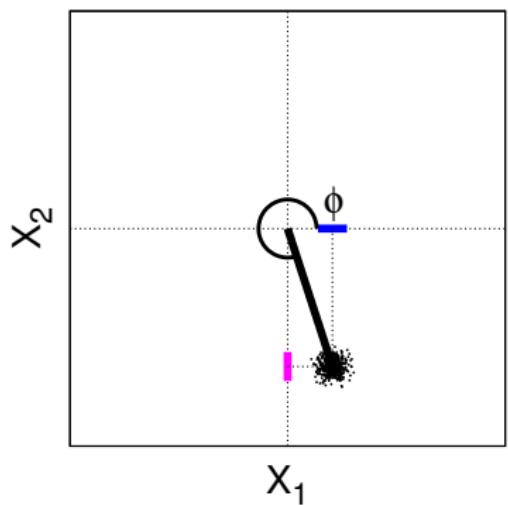
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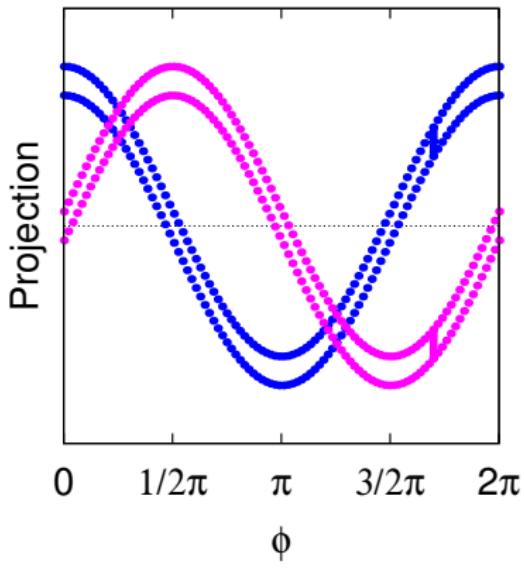
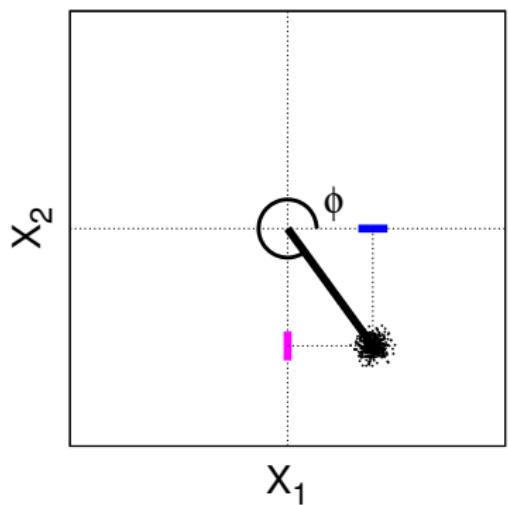
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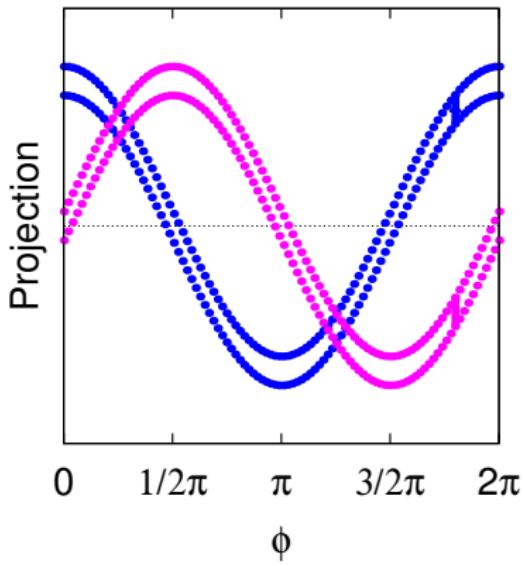
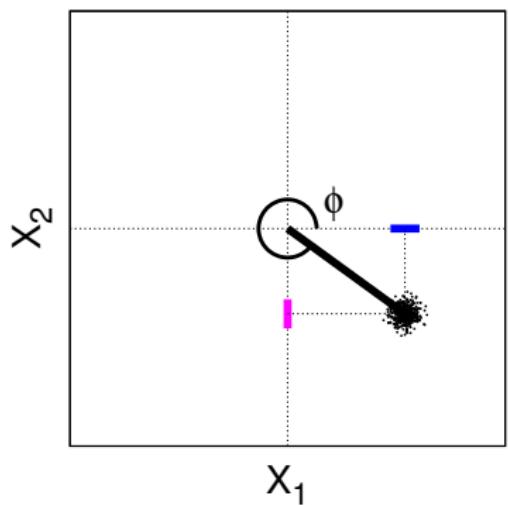
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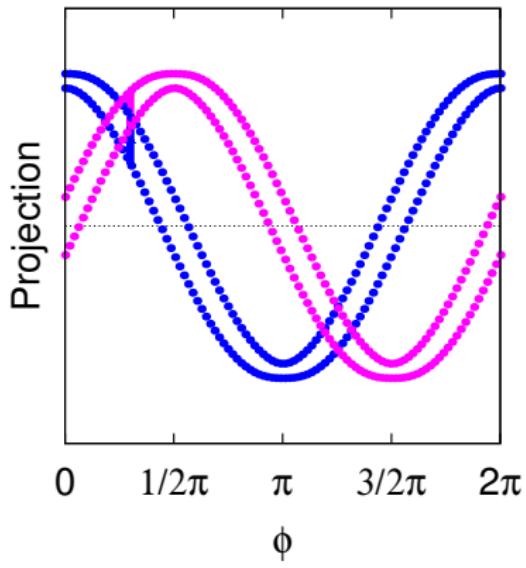
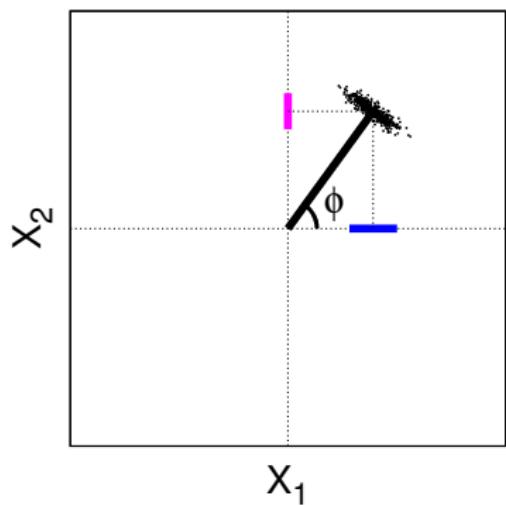
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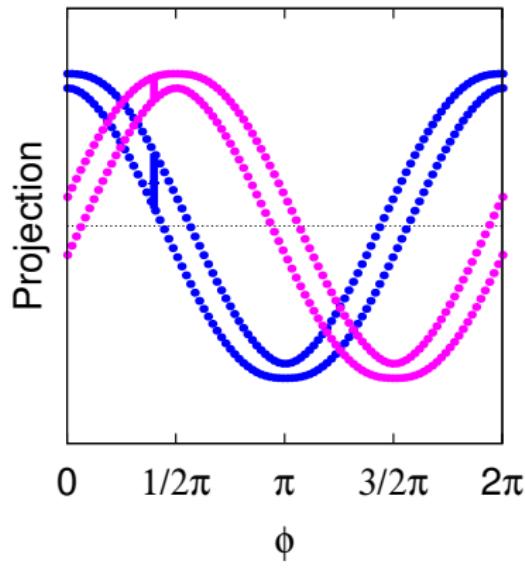
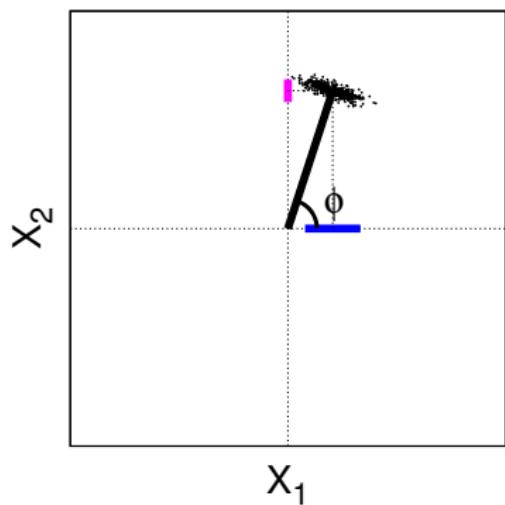
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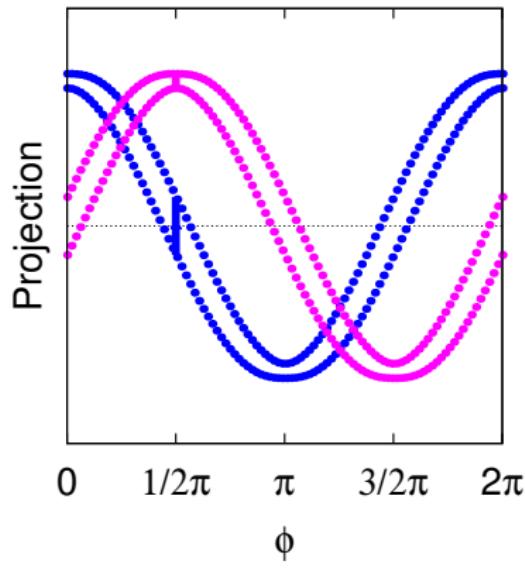
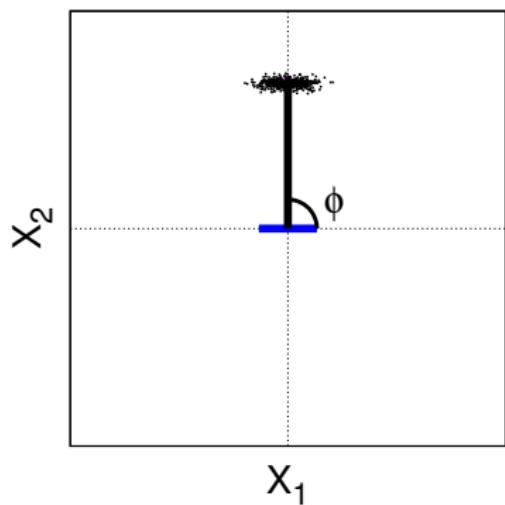
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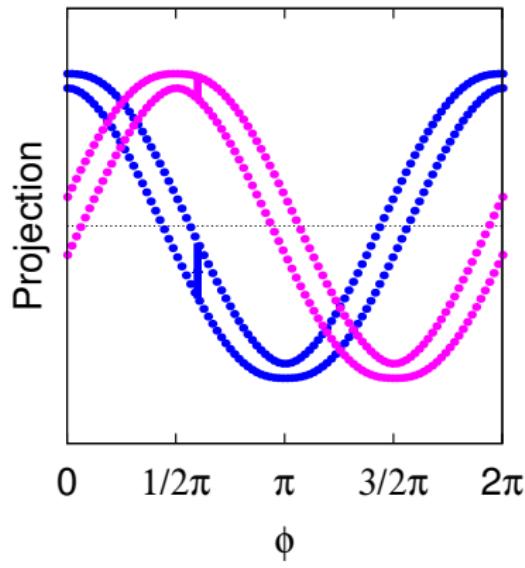
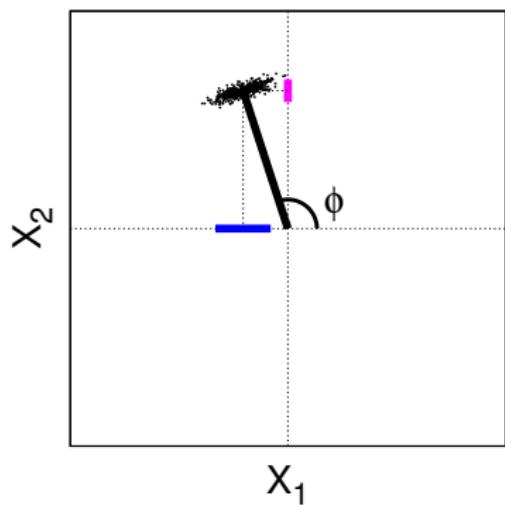
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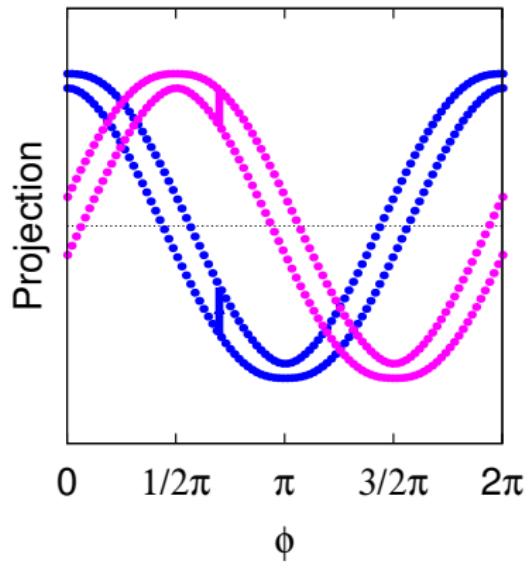
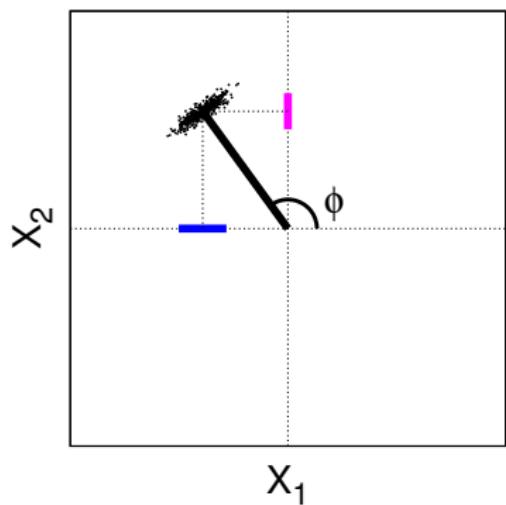
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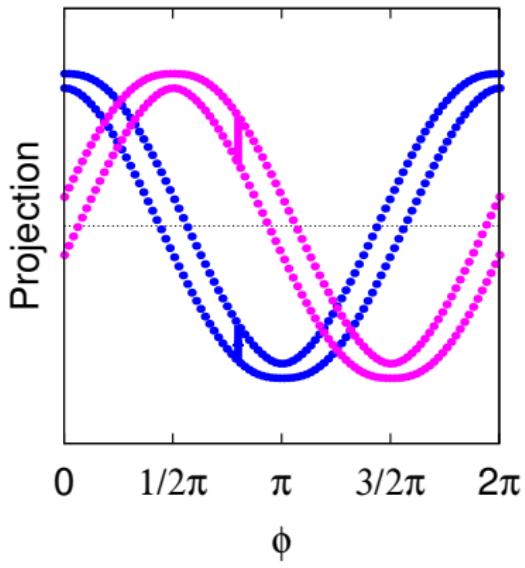
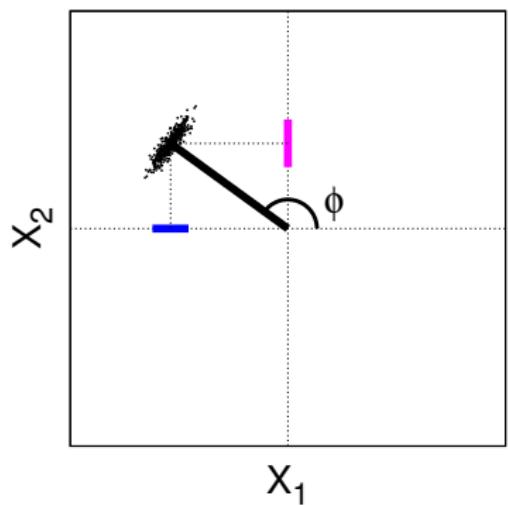
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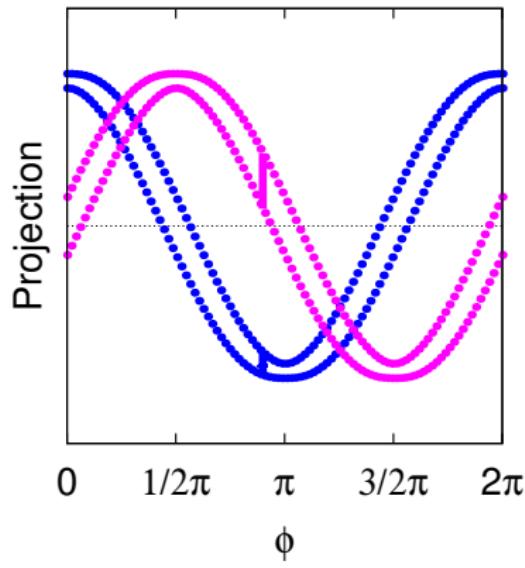
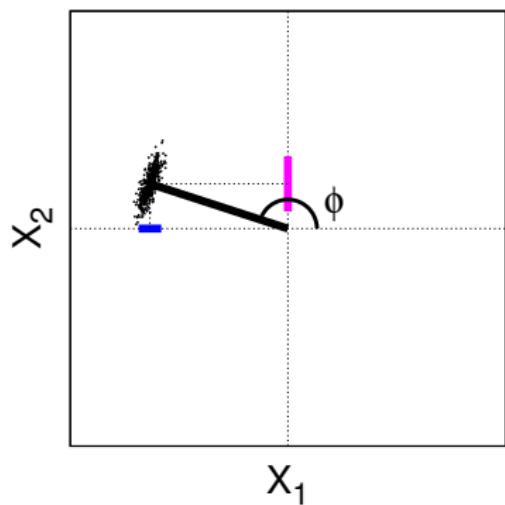
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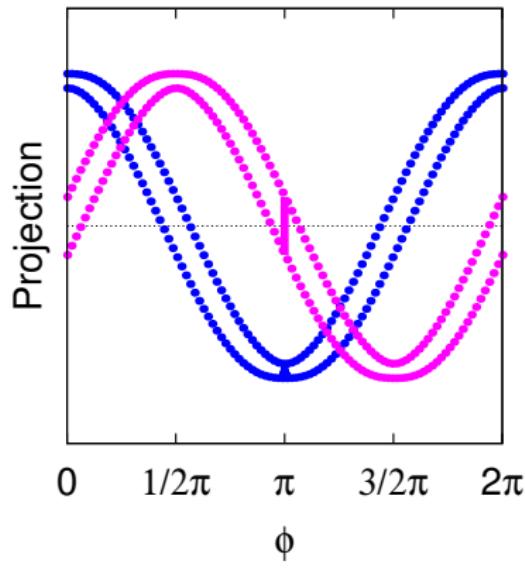
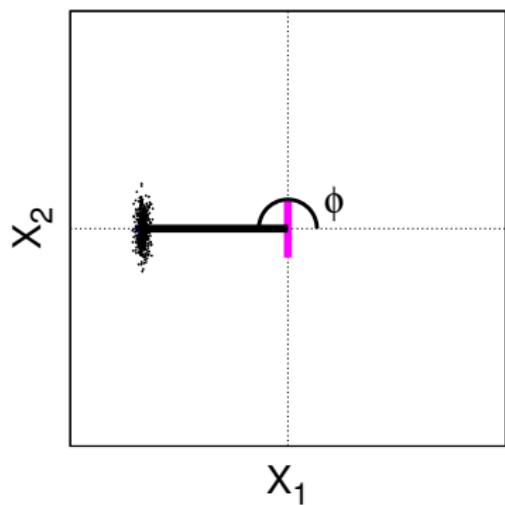
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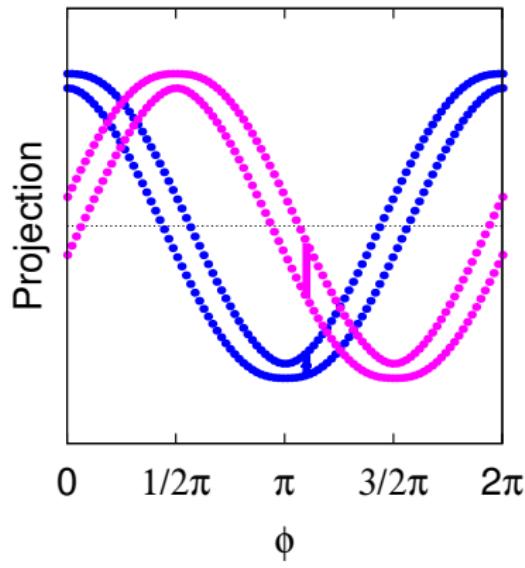
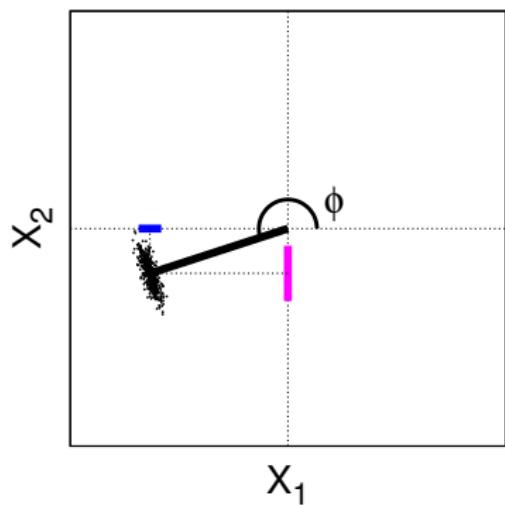
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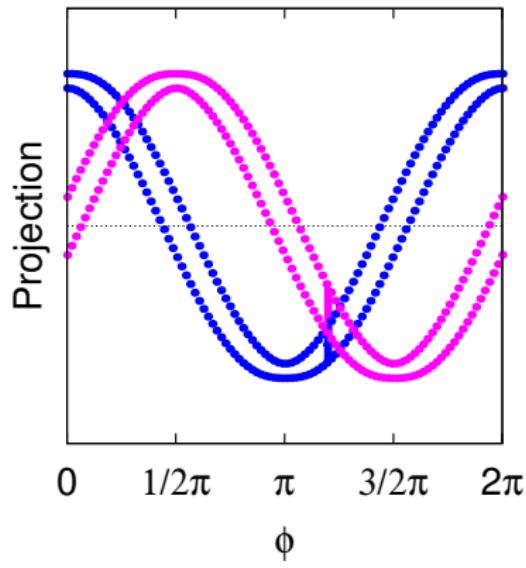
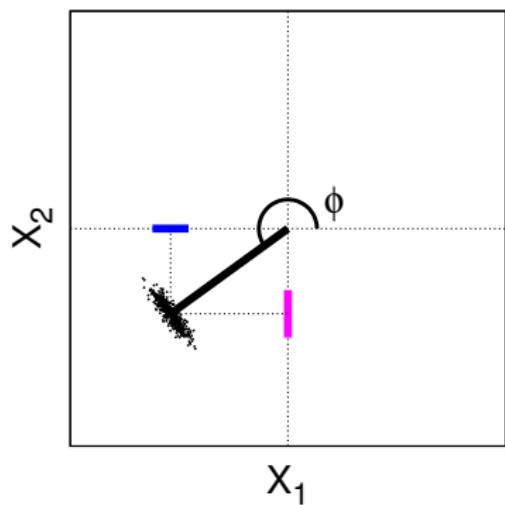
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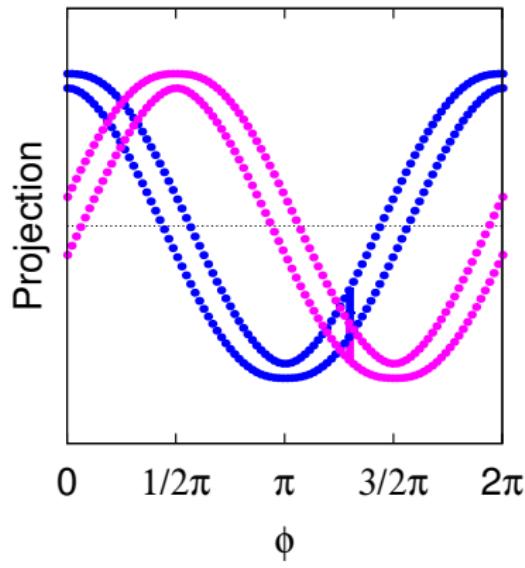
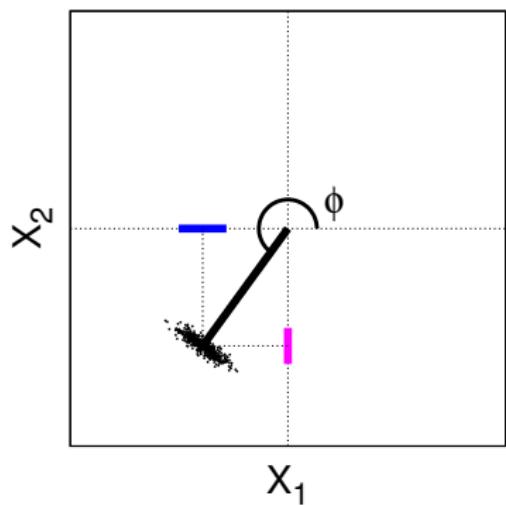
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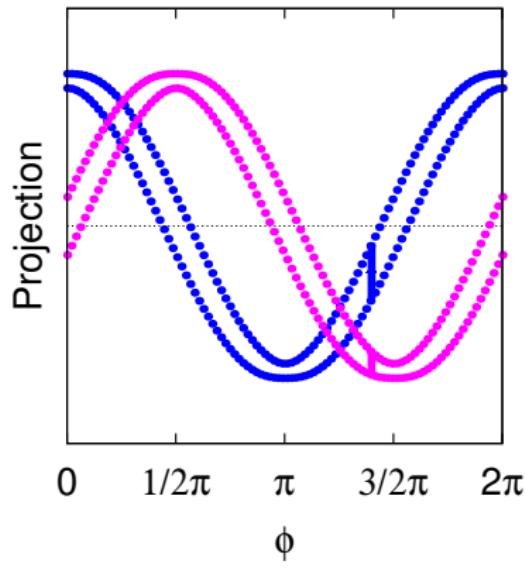
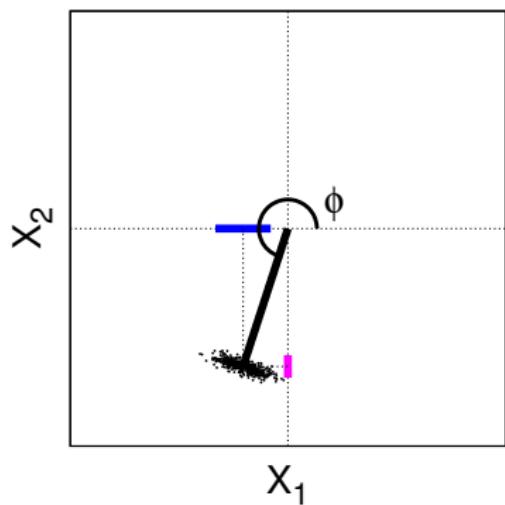
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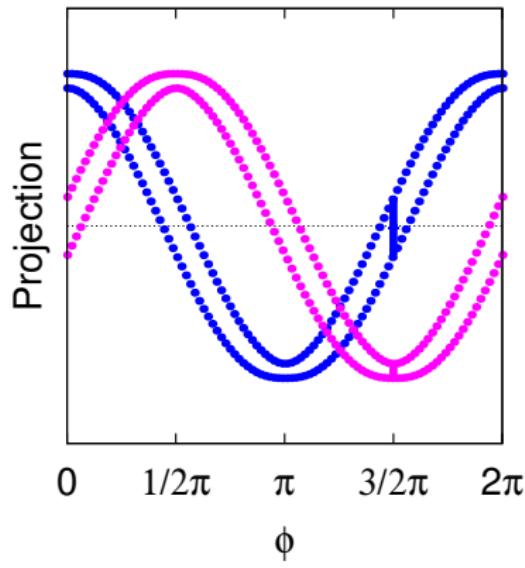
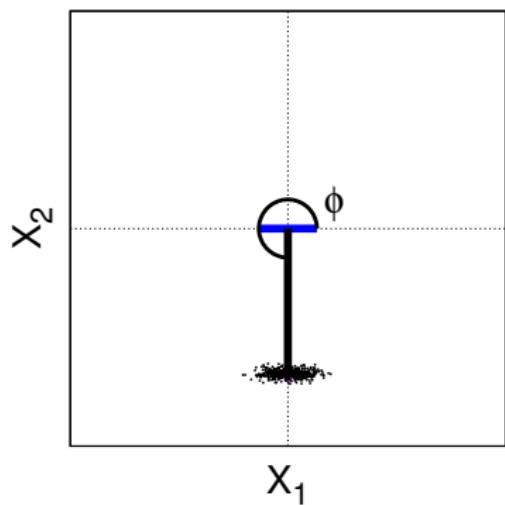
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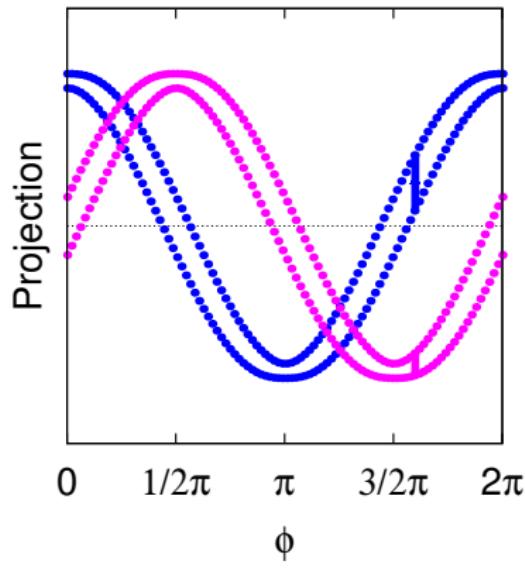
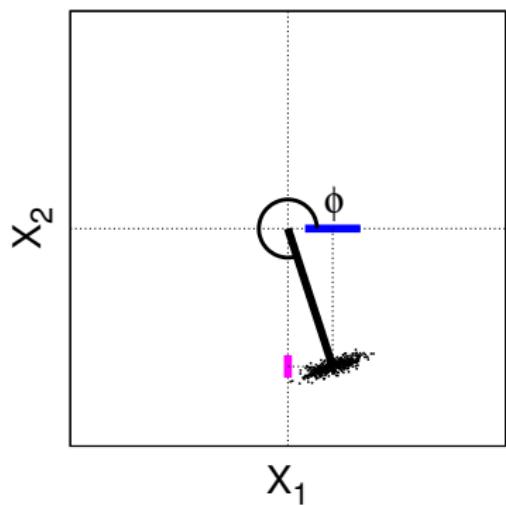
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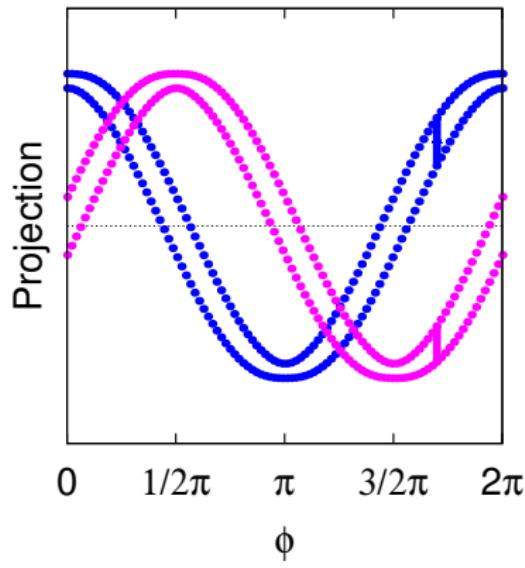
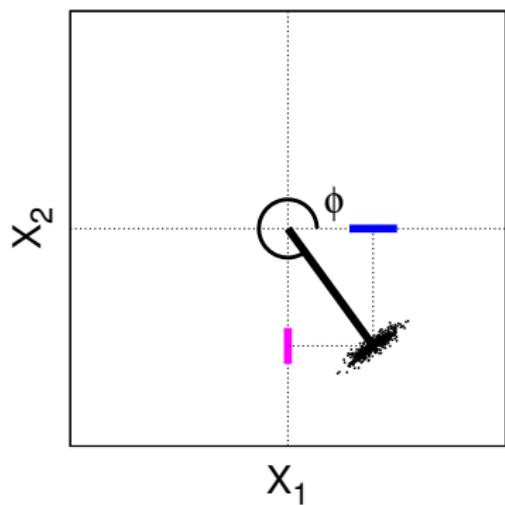
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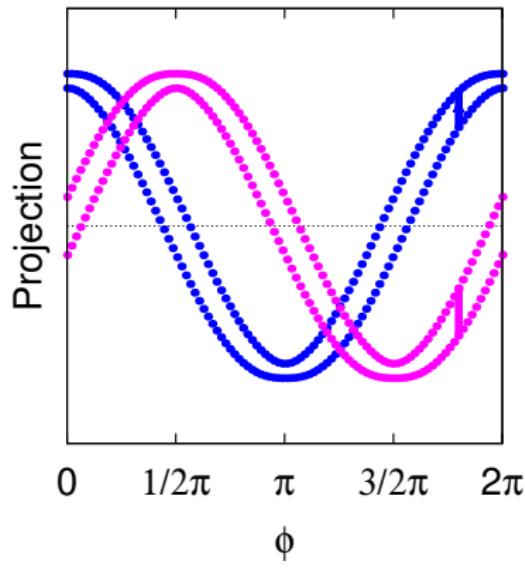
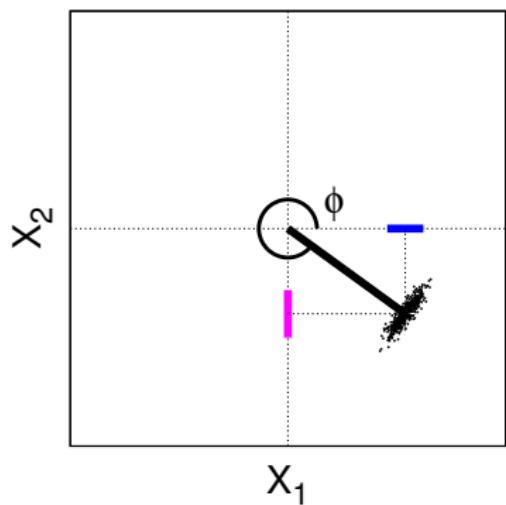
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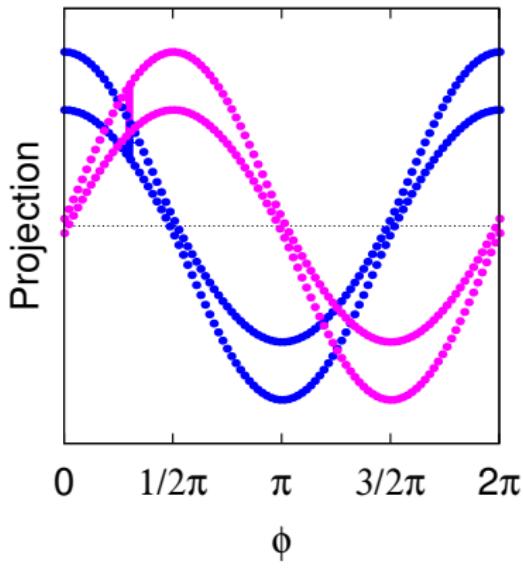
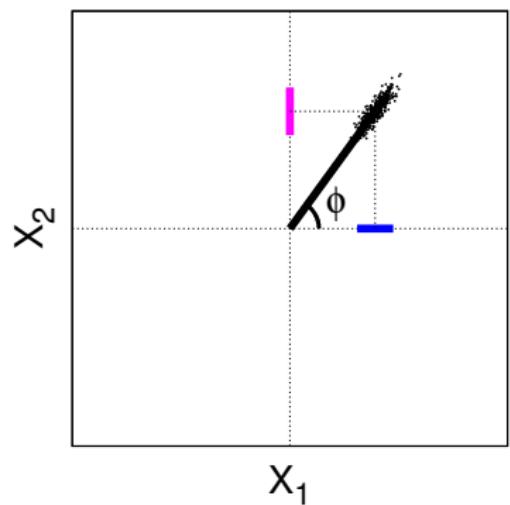
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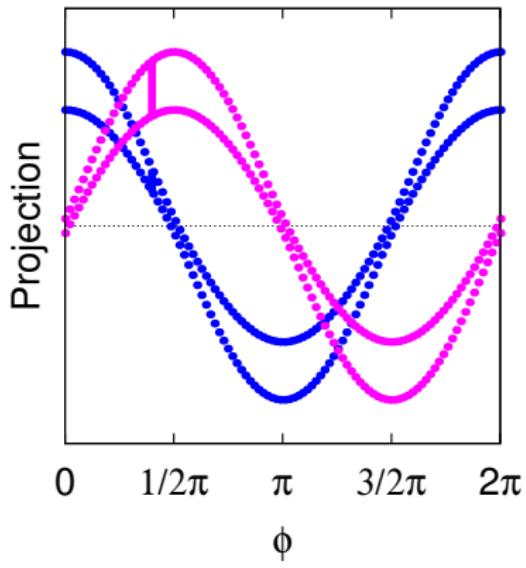
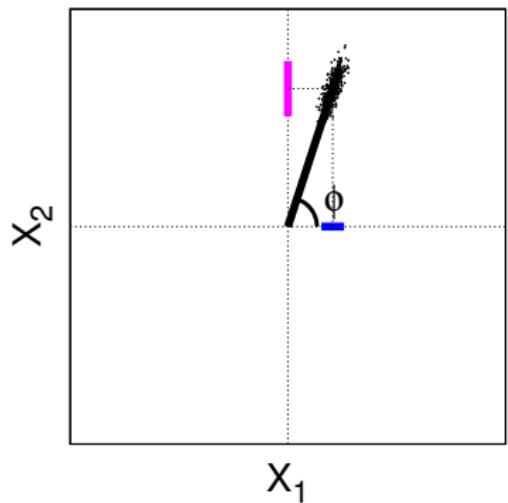
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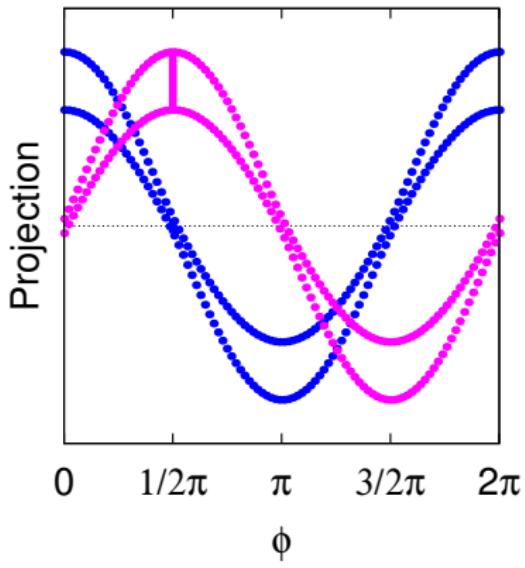
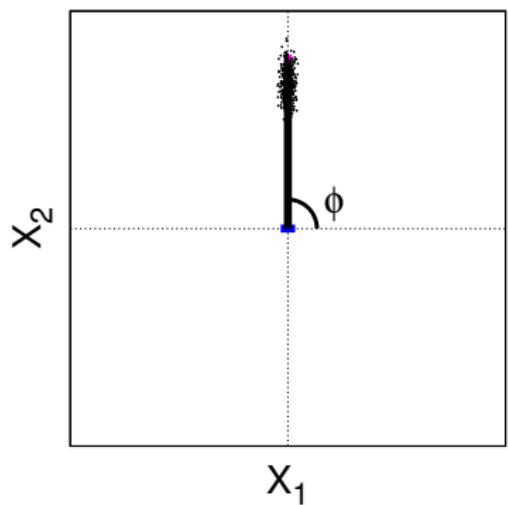
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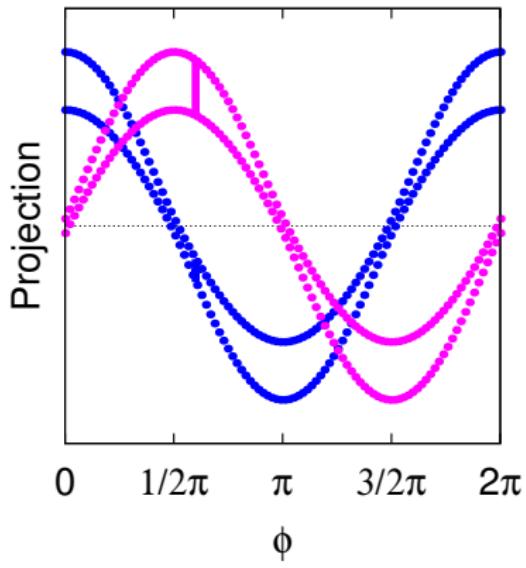
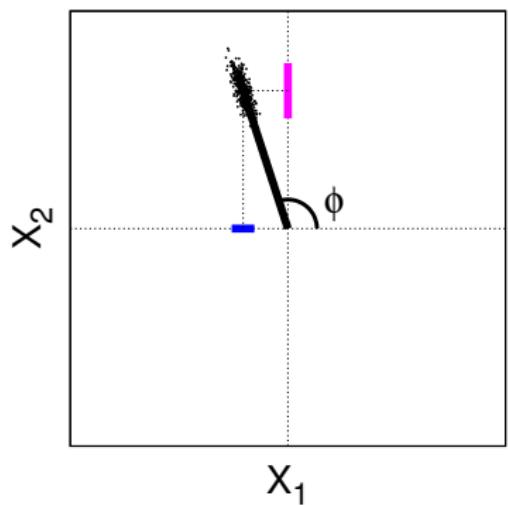
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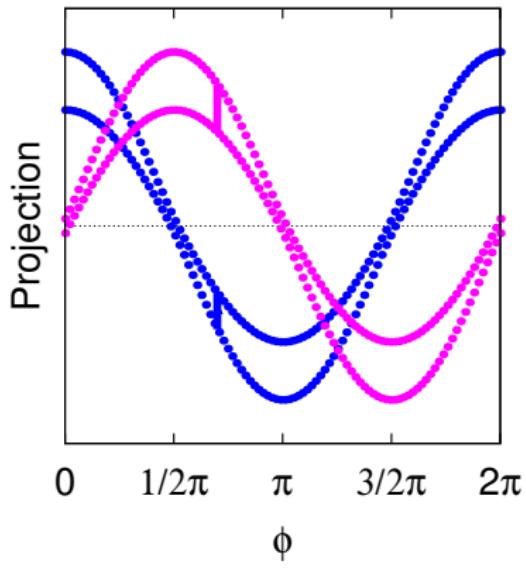
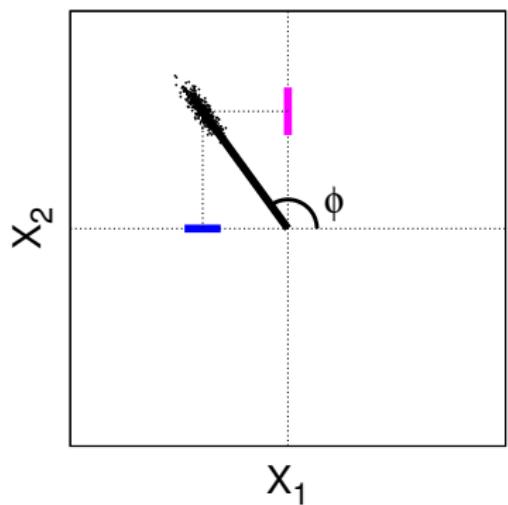
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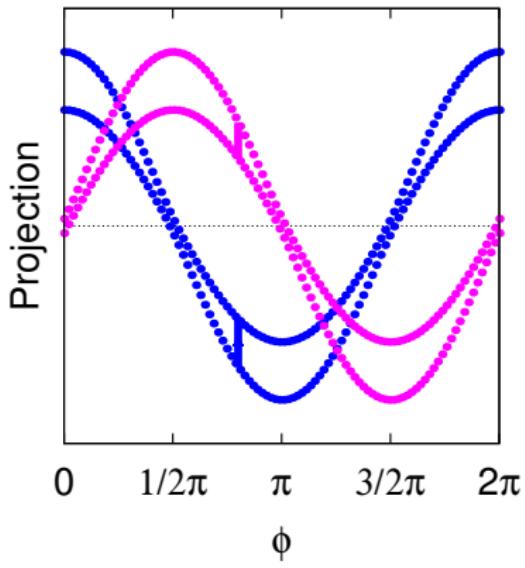
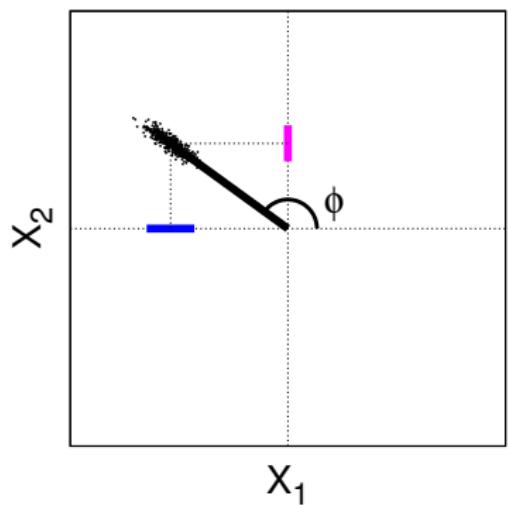
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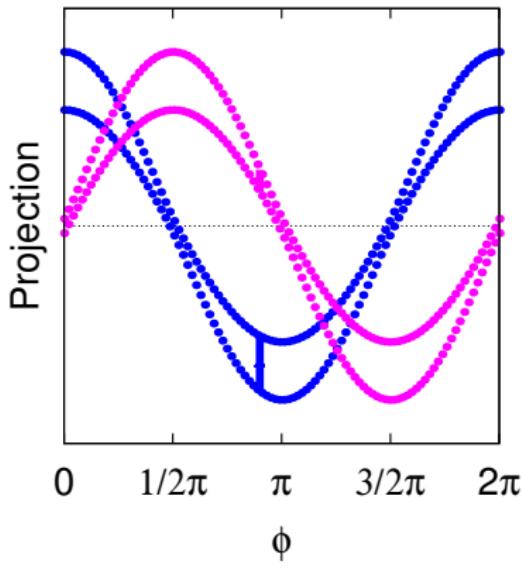
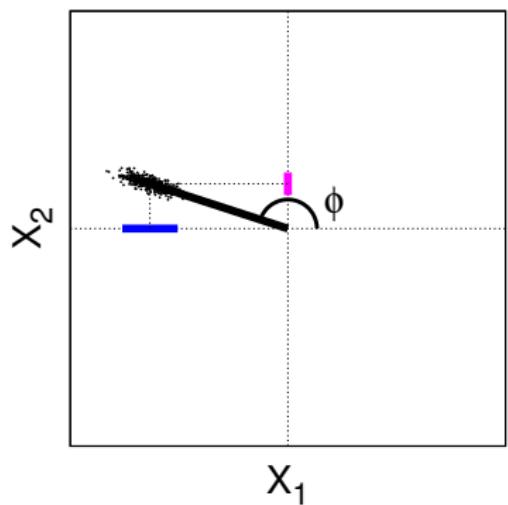
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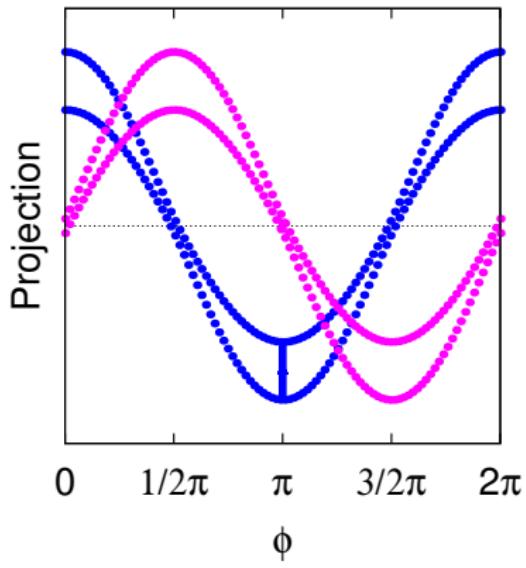
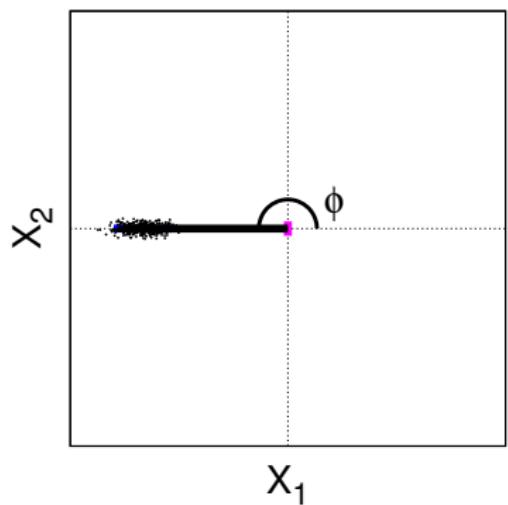
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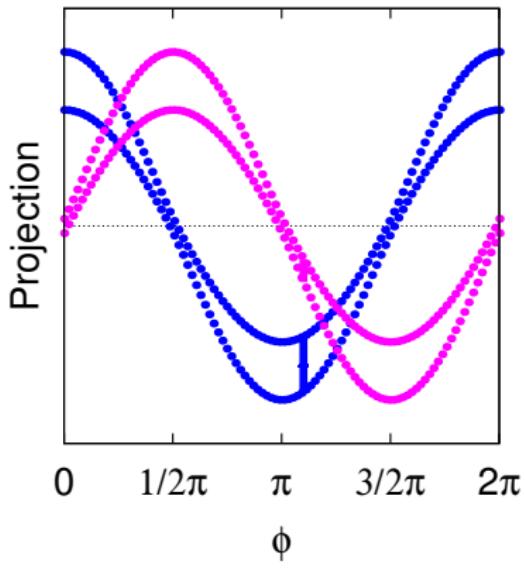
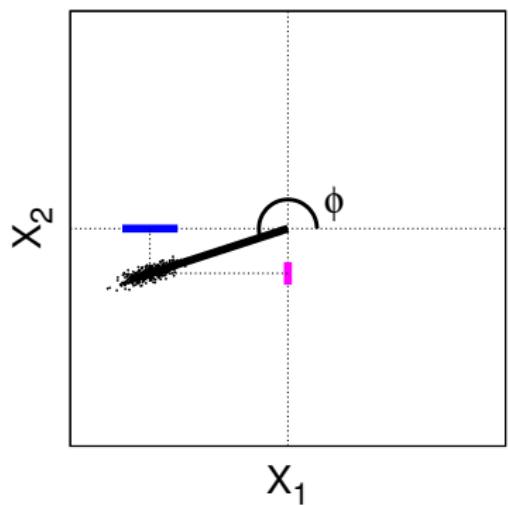
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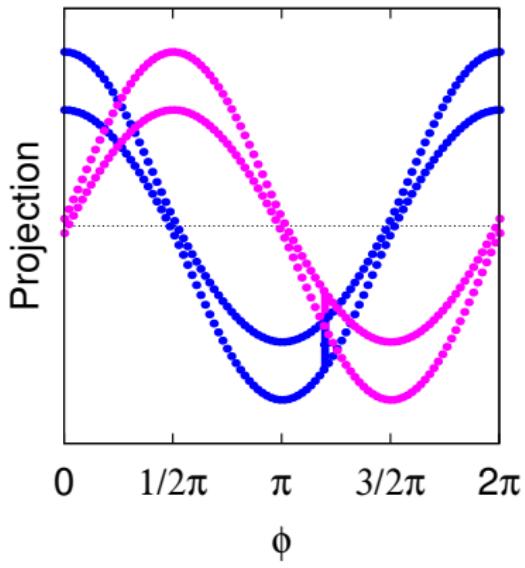
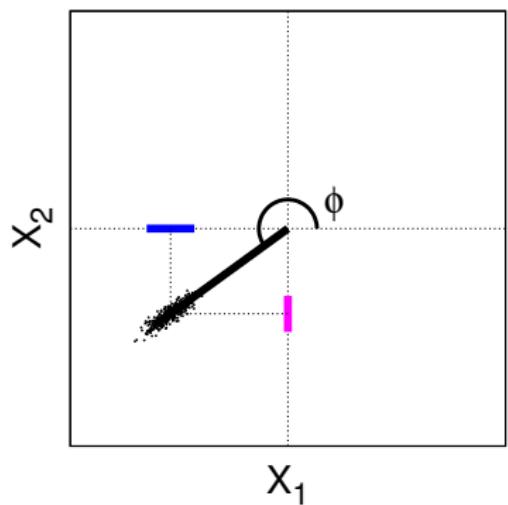
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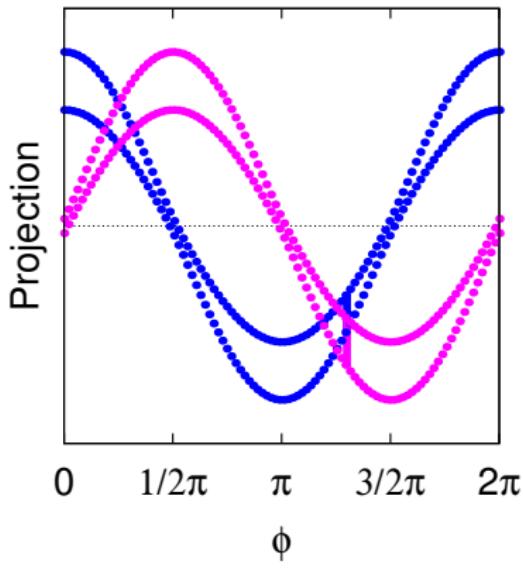
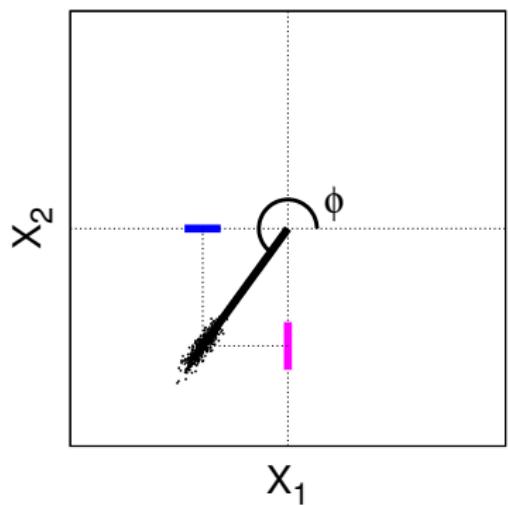
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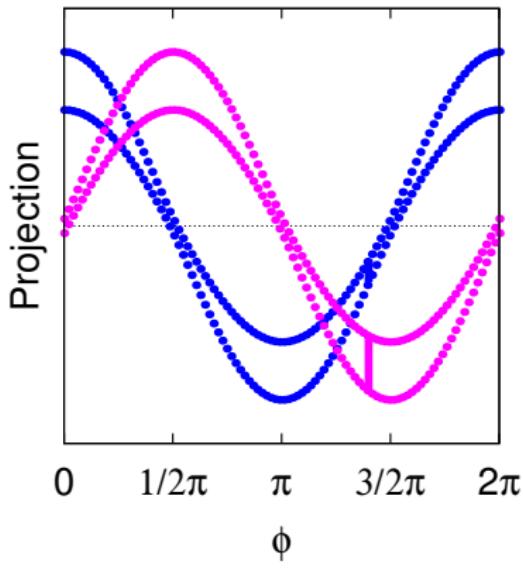
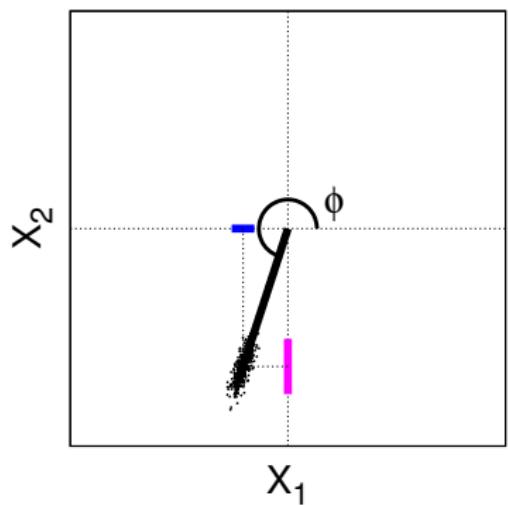
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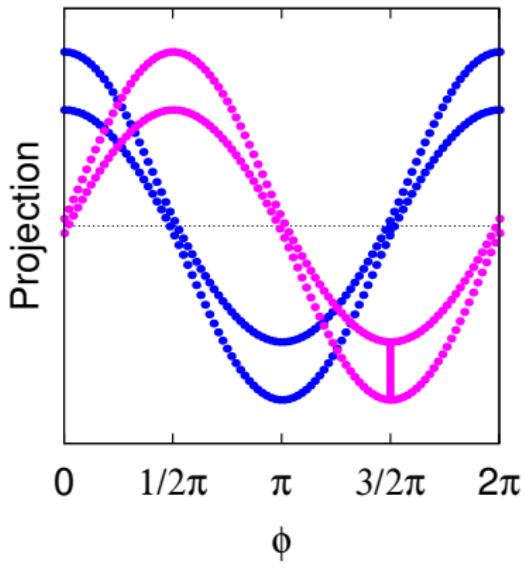
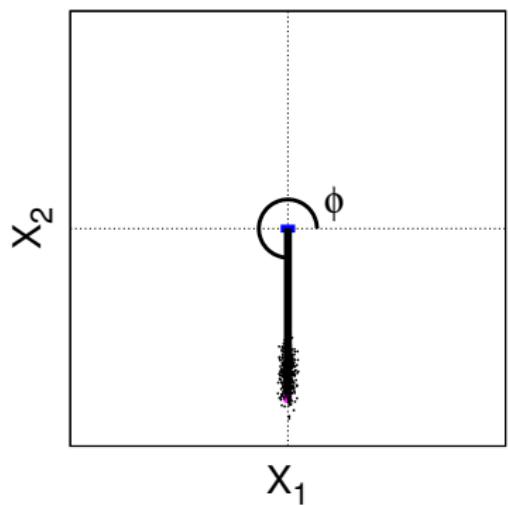
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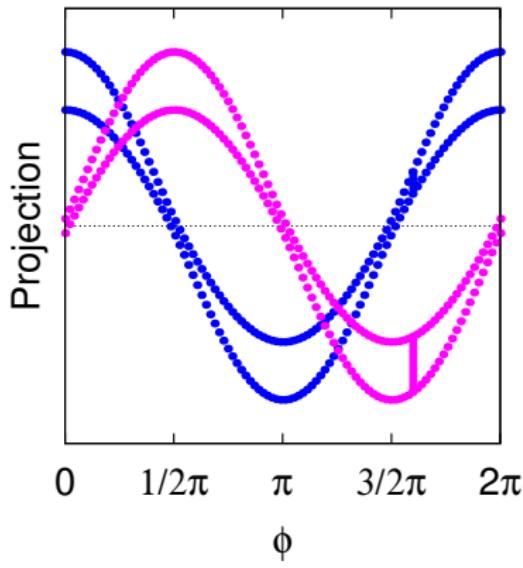
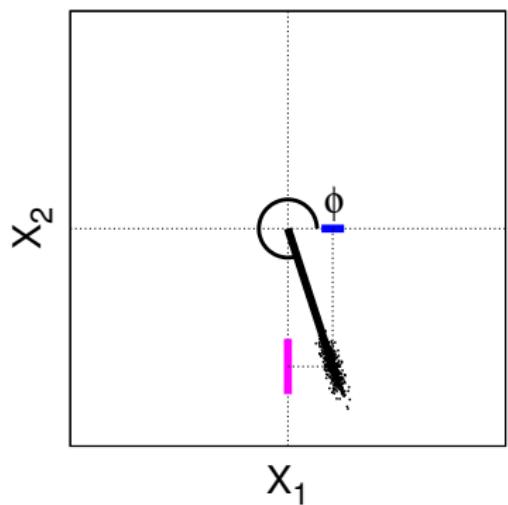
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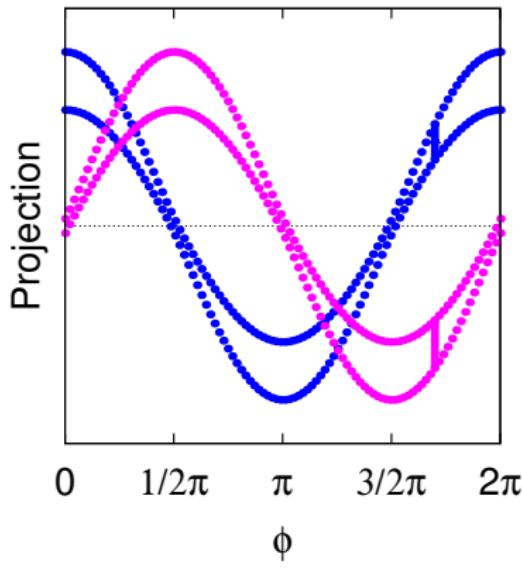
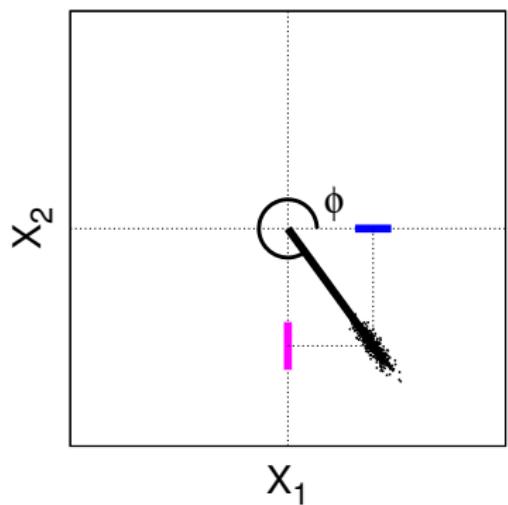
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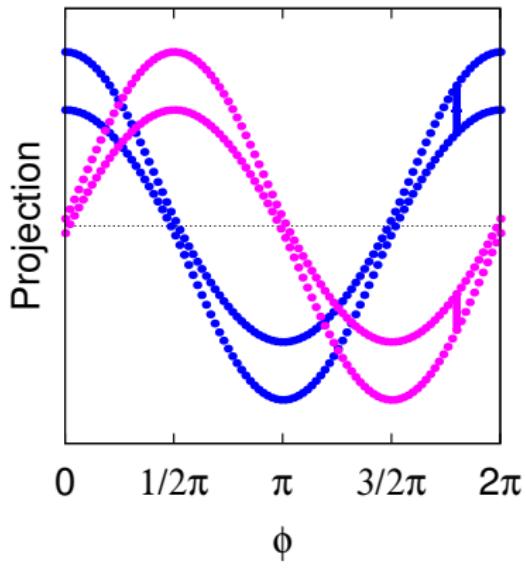
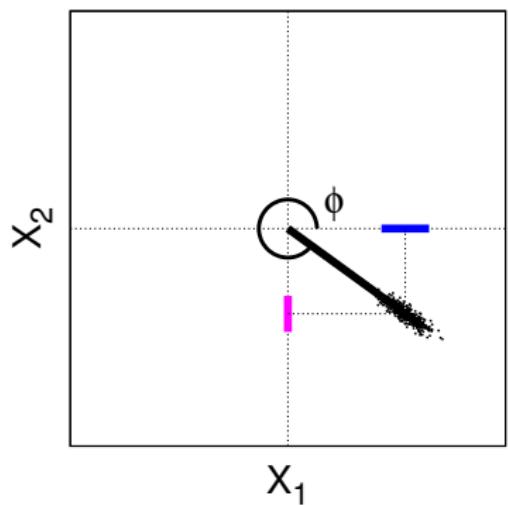
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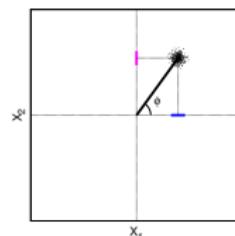
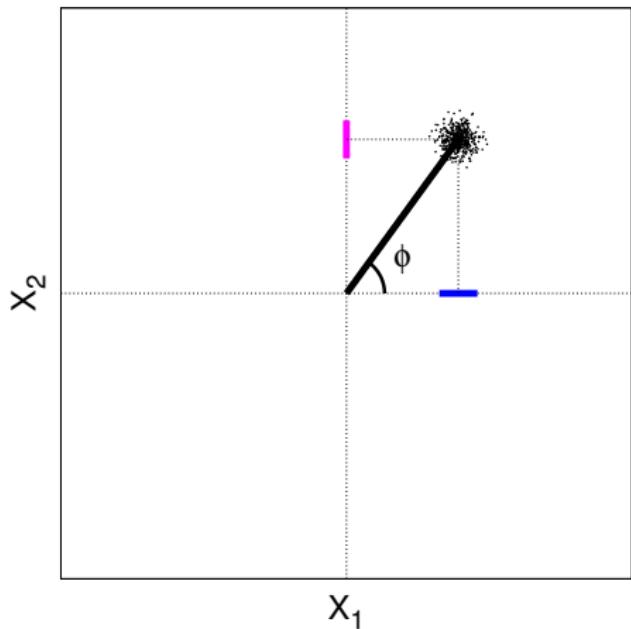
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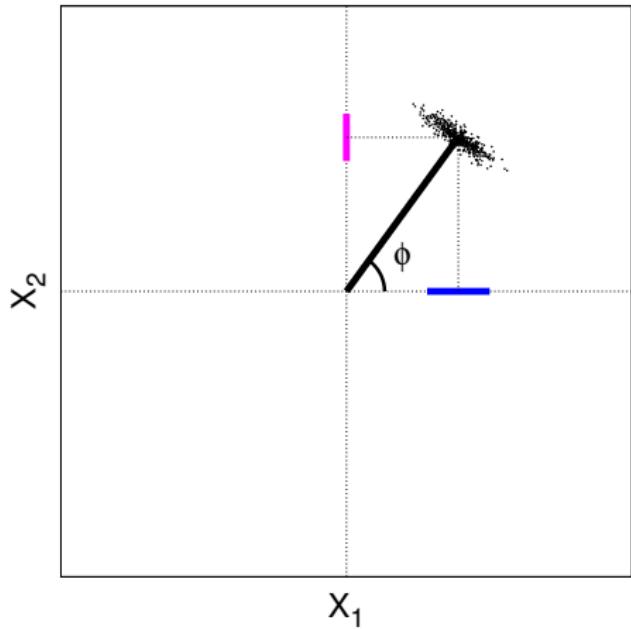


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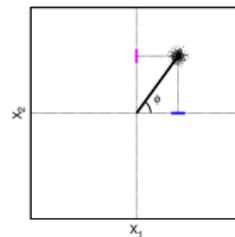
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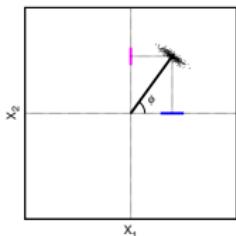
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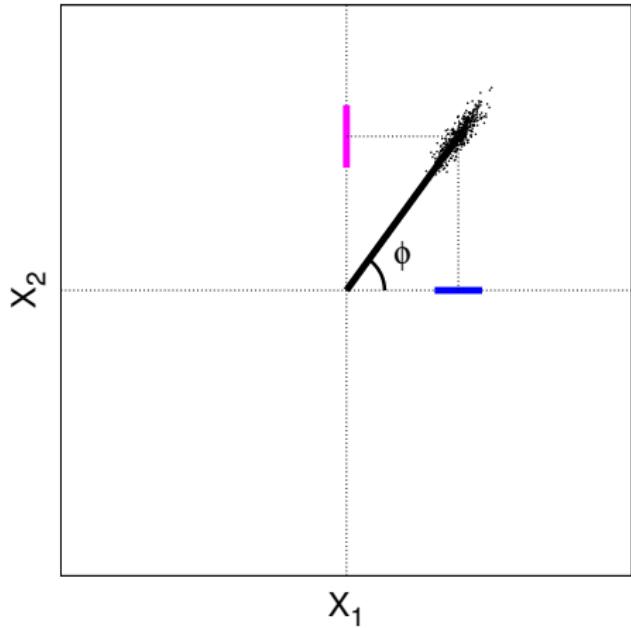
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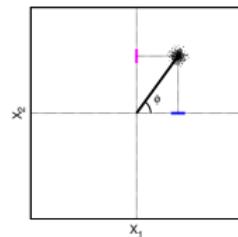
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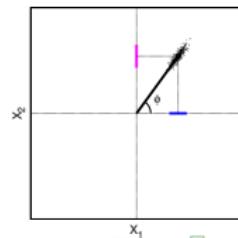


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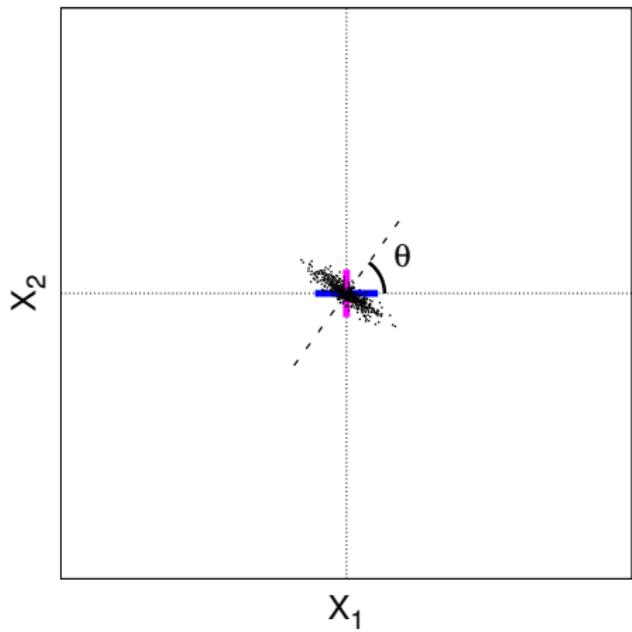


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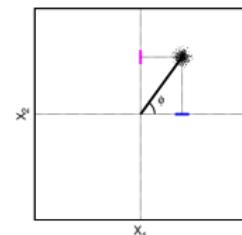
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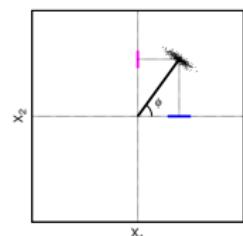


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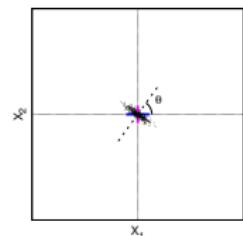
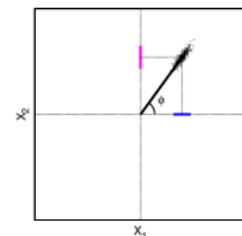


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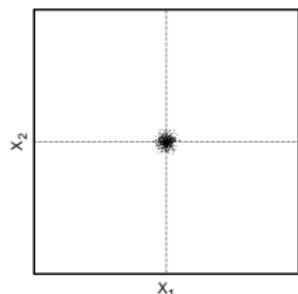


Vacuum
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Squeezed field generation recipe

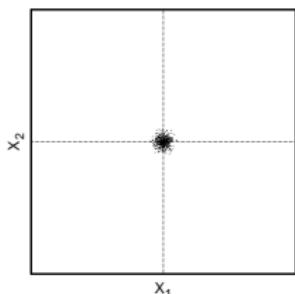
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$$H = \frac{1}{2}$$

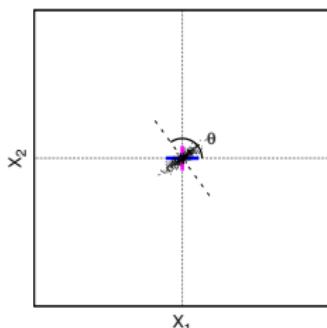
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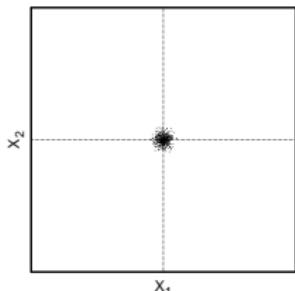
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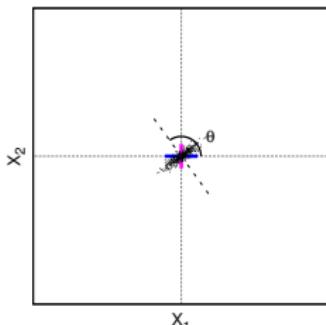
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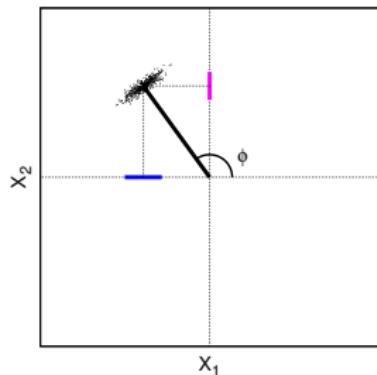
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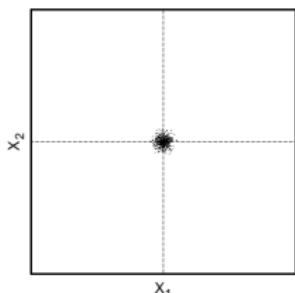
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$$\begin{aligned} <\alpha, \xi|X_1|\alpha, \xi> &= Re(\alpha), \\ <\alpha, \xi|X_2|\alpha, \xi> &= Im(\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

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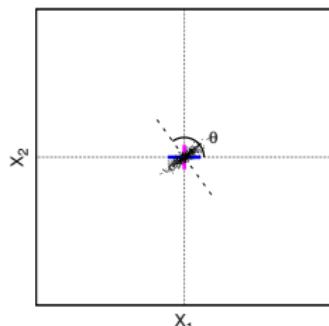
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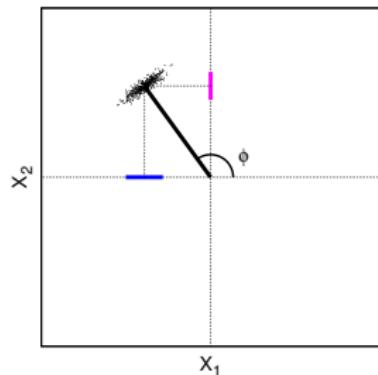
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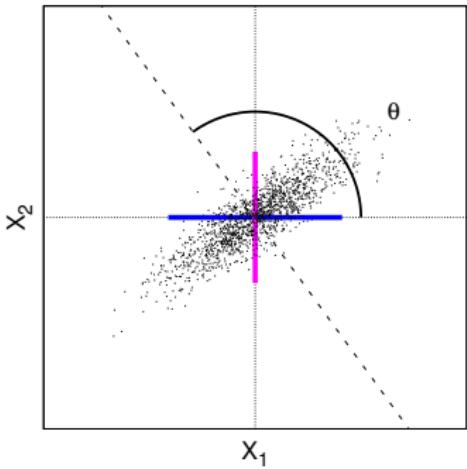
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Notice $\Delta X_1 \Delta X_2 = \frac{1}{4}$

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Squeezed state $|\xi\rangle = \hat{S}(\xi)|0\rangle$ properties



$$\hat{S}(\xi) = e^{\frac{1}{2}\xi^* a^2 - \frac{1}{2}\xi a^{\dagger 2}}, \xi = r e^{i\theta}$$

If $\theta = 0$

$$\langle \xi | (\Delta \textcolor{blue}{X}_1)^2 | \xi \rangle = \frac{1}{4} e^{-2r}$$

$$\langle \xi | (\Delta \textcolor{magenta}{X}_2)^2 | \xi \rangle = \frac{1}{4} e^{2r}$$

$$\langle \xi | (\Delta \textcolor{blue}{X}_1)^2 | \xi \rangle = \frac{1}{4} (\cosh^2 r + \sinh^2 r - 2 \sinh r \cosh r \cos \theta)$$

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Photon number of squeezed state $|\xi\rangle$

Probability to detect given number of photons $C = \langle n | \xi \rangle$ for squeezed vacuum

- even

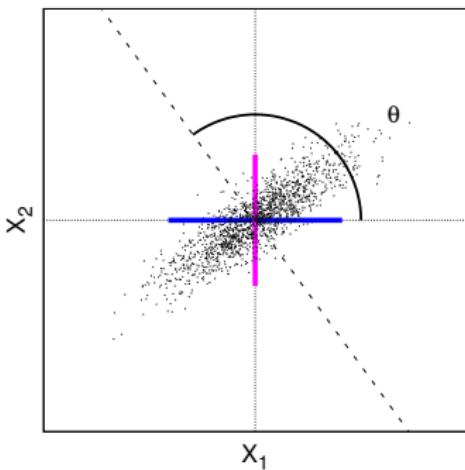
$$C_{2m} = (-1)^{\frac{\sqrt{(2m)!}}{2^m m!}} \frac{(e^{i\theta} \tanh r)^m}{\sqrt{\cosh r}}$$

- odd

$$C_{2m+1} = 0$$

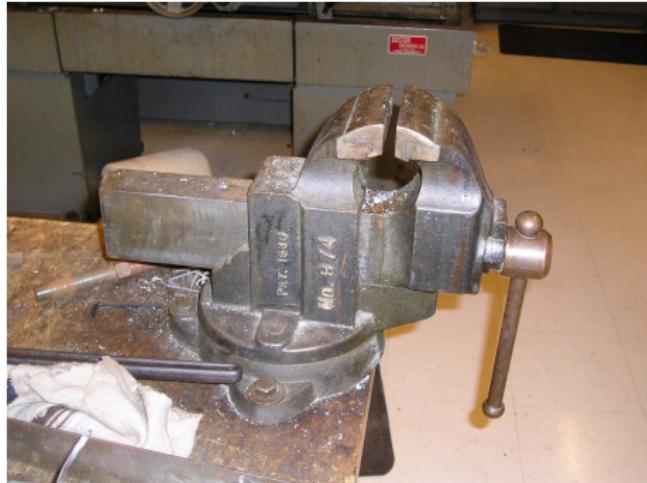
Average number of photons in general squeezed state

$$\langle \alpha, \xi | a^\dagger a | \alpha, \xi \rangle = \alpha + \sinh^2 r$$

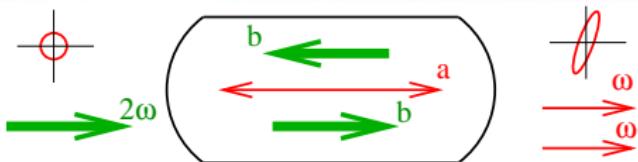
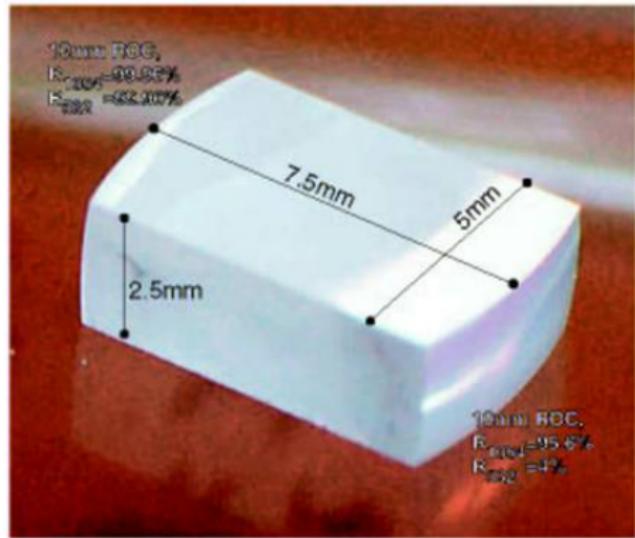
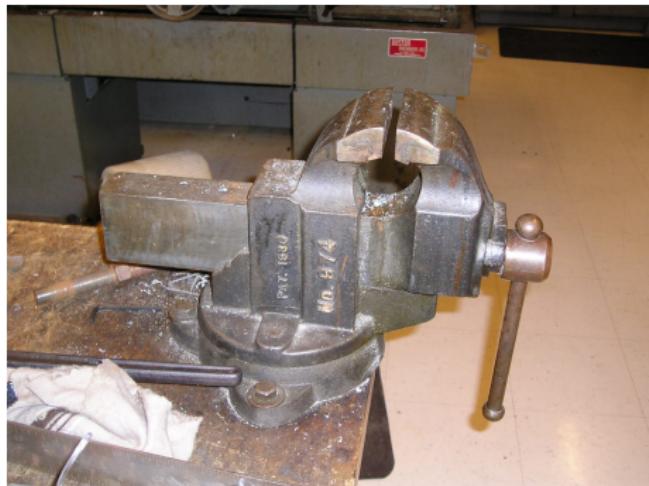


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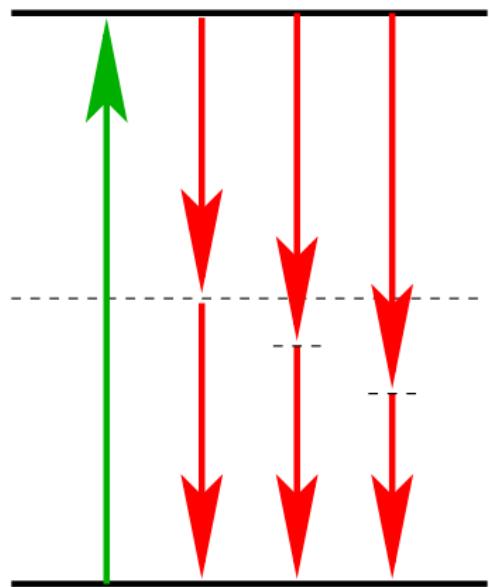


Tools for squeezing



Two photon squeezing picture

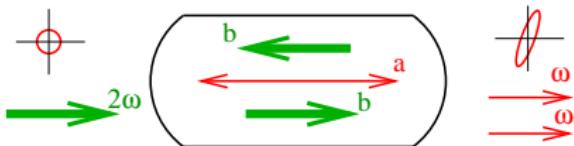
Squeezing operator



$$\hat{S}(\xi) = e^{\frac{1}{2}\xi^* a^2 - \frac{1}{2}\xi a^{\dagger 2}}$$

Parametric down-conversion in crystal

$$\hat{H} = i\hbar\chi^{(2)}(a^2 b^\dagger - a^{\dagger 2} b)$$



Squeezing

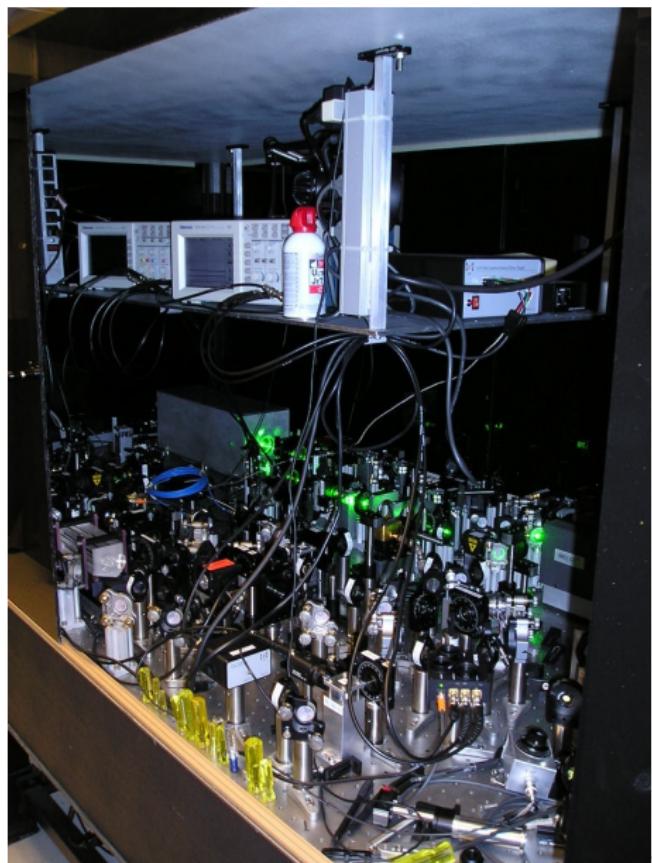
result of correlation of upper and lower sidebands

Squeezer appearance

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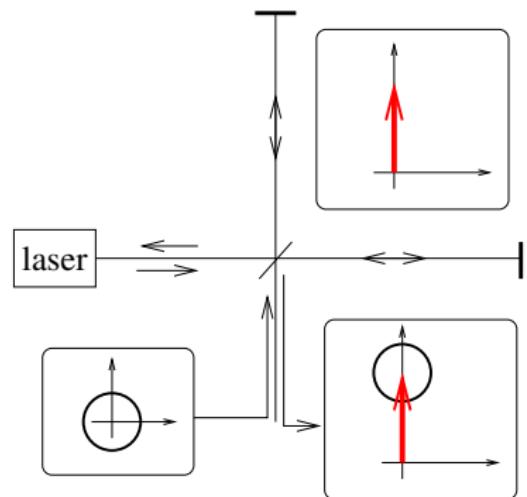


Possible squeezing applications

- improvements any shot noise limited optical sensors
- noiseless signal amplification
- photon pair generation, entanglement, true single photon sources
- interferometers sensitivity boost (for example gravitational wave antennas)
- light free measurements
- quantum memory probe and information carrier

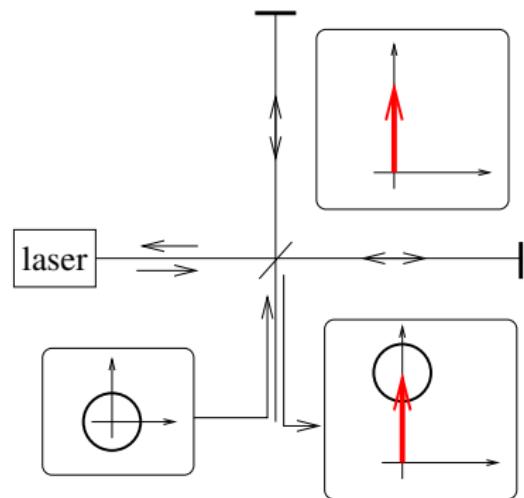
Squeezing and interferometer

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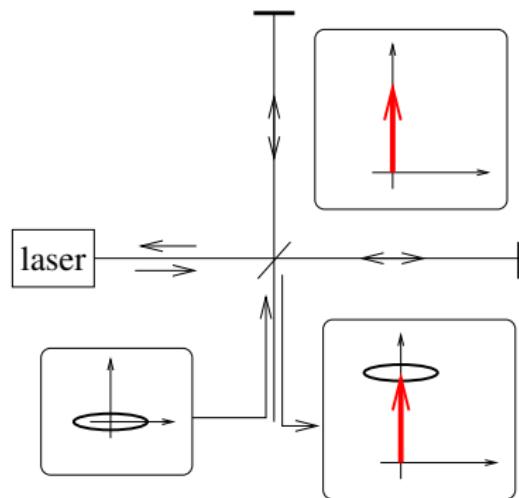


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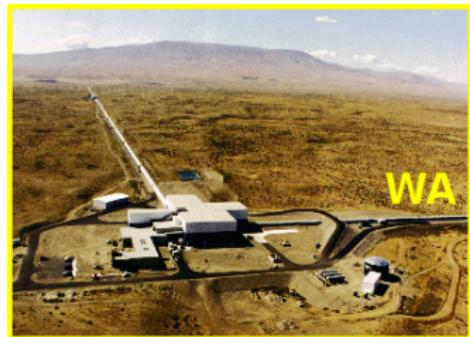
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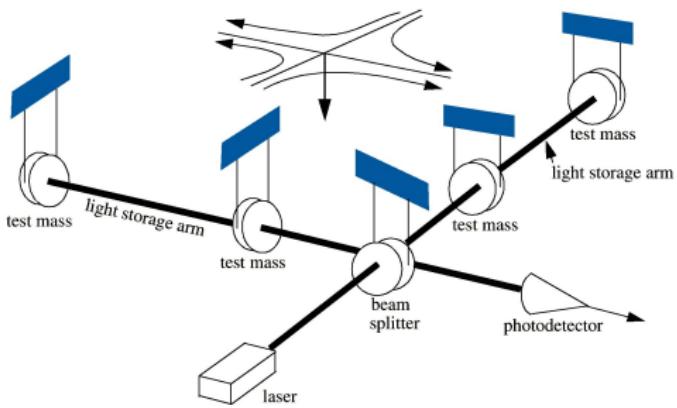
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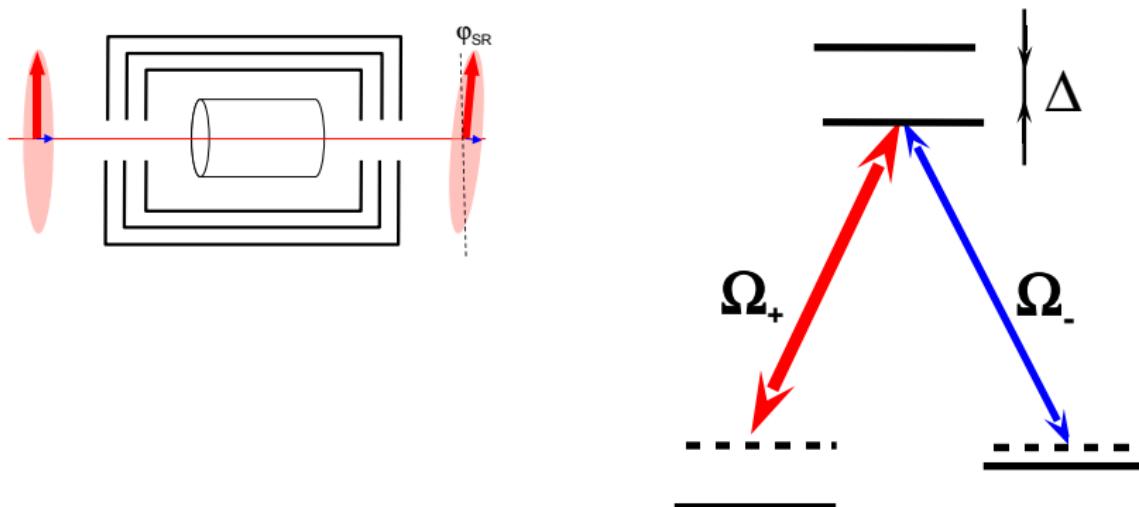
Laser Interferometer Gravitational-wave Observatory



- $L = 4 \text{ km}$
- $h \sim 2 \times 10^{-23}$
- $\Delta L \sim 10^{-20} \text{ m}$



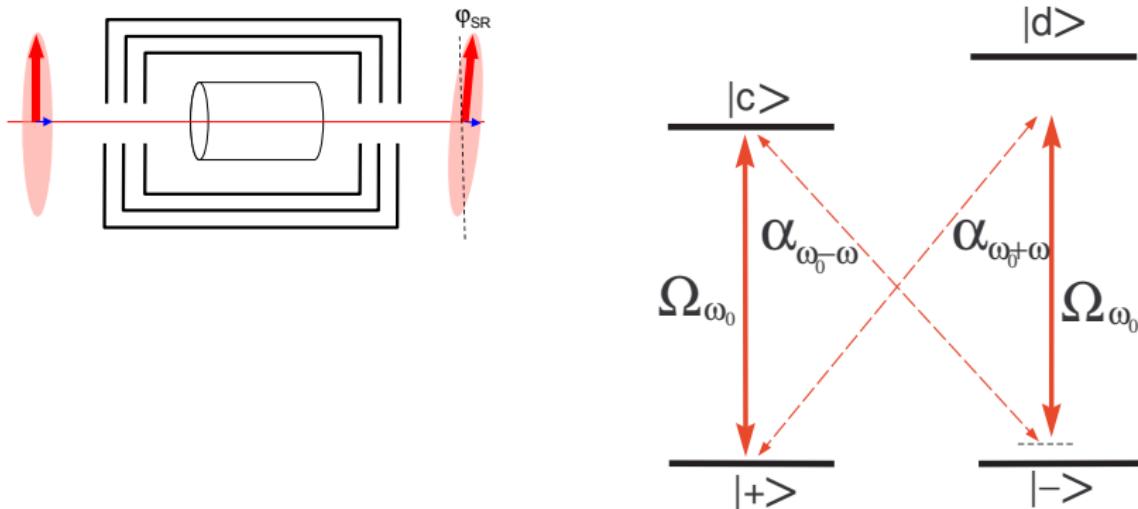
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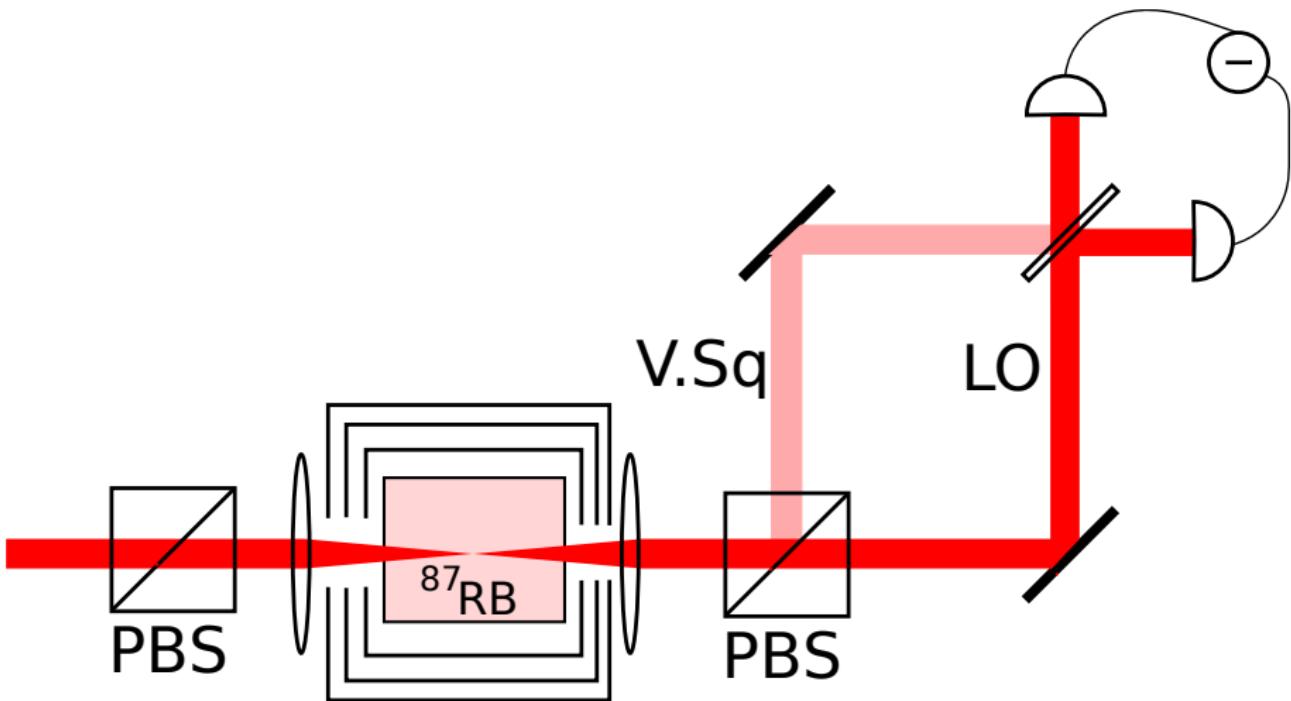
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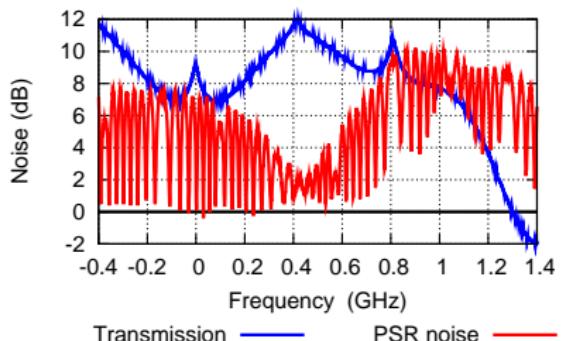
Setup



Noise contrast vs detuning in hot ^{87}Rb vacuum cell

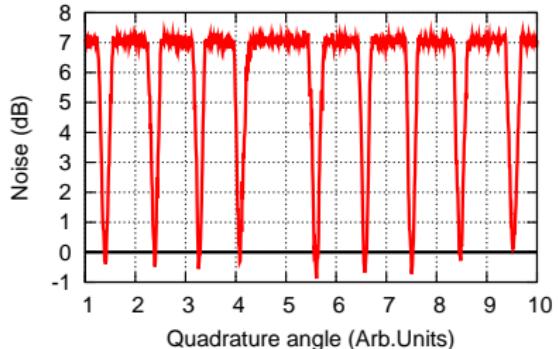
$$F_g = 2 \rightarrow F_e = 1, 2$$

Noise vs detuning



Transmission — Blue line
PSR noise — Red line

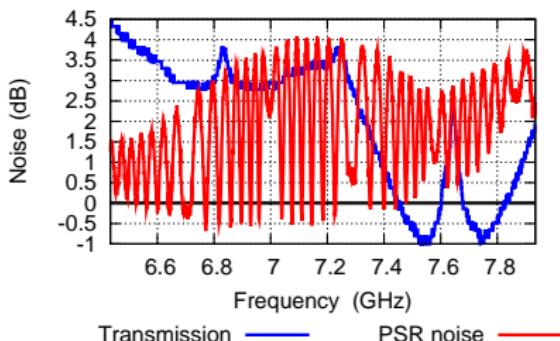
Noise vs quadrature angle



Quadrature angle (Arb.Units)

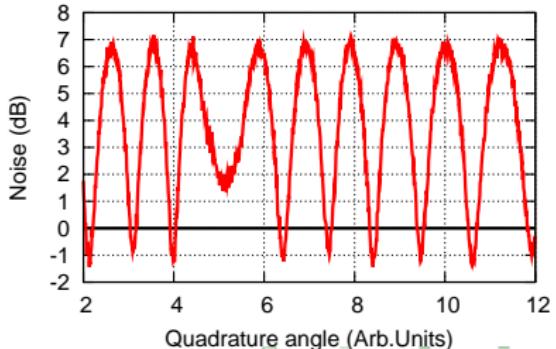
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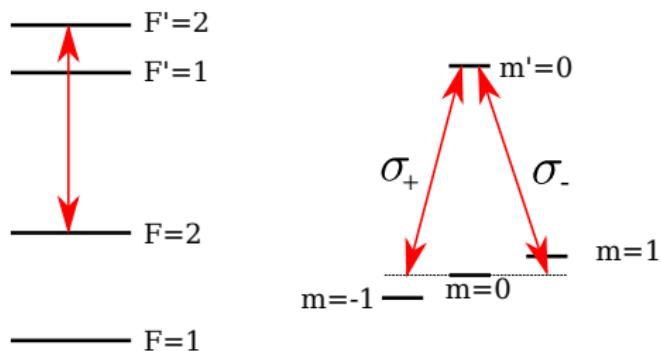
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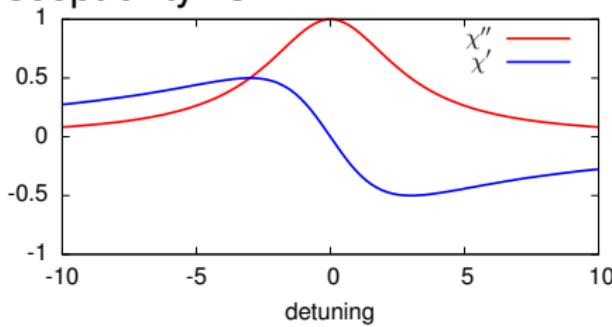
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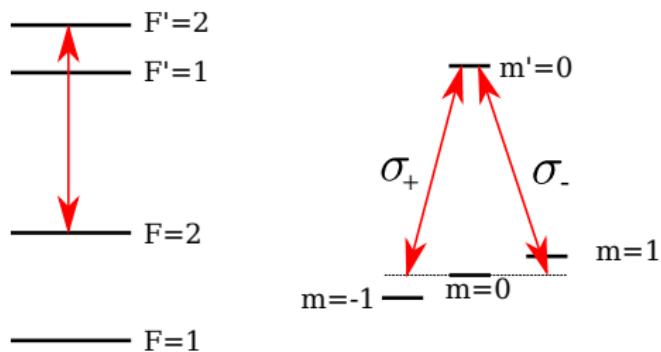


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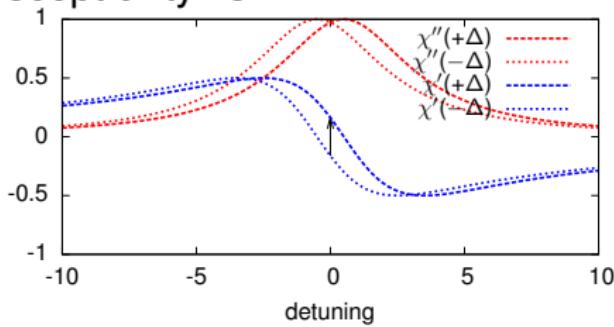


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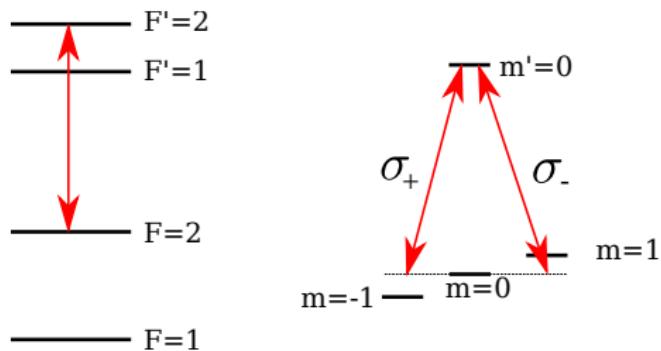


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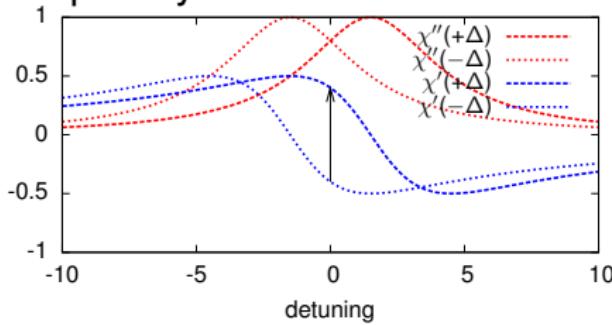


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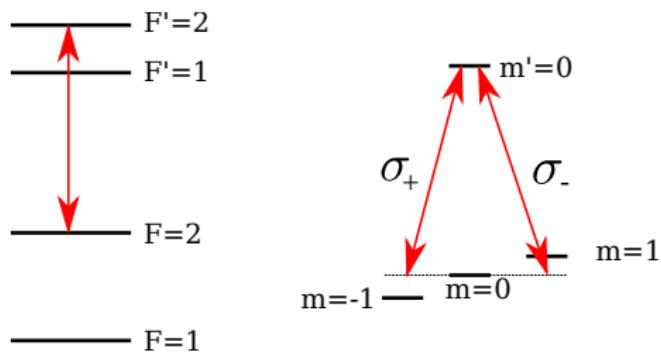


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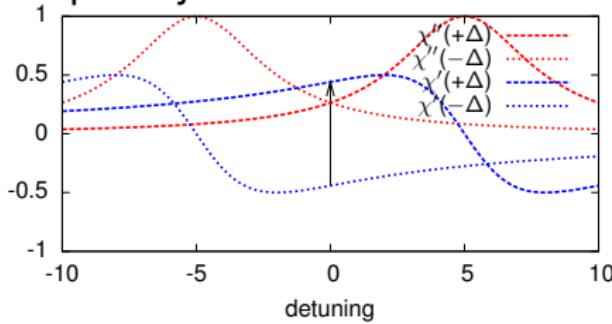


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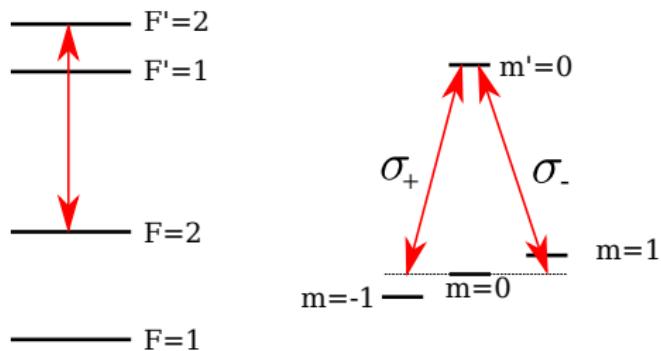


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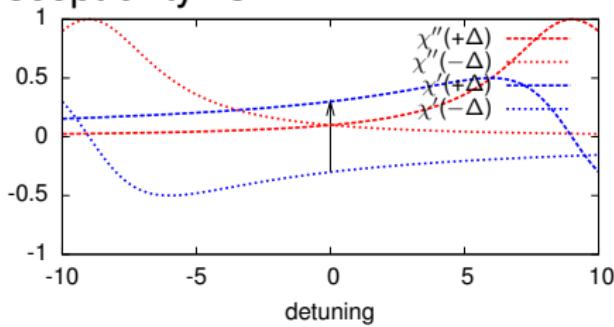


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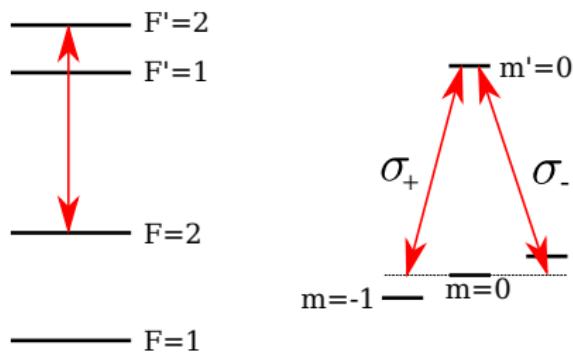


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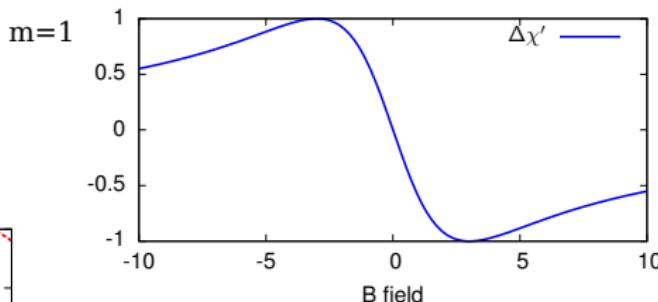


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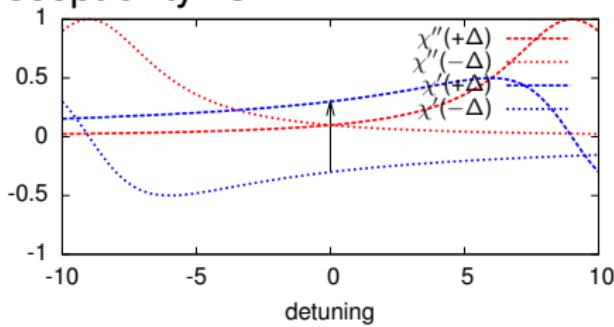
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Polarization rotation vs B



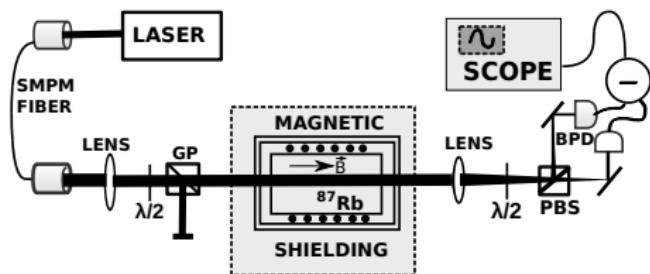
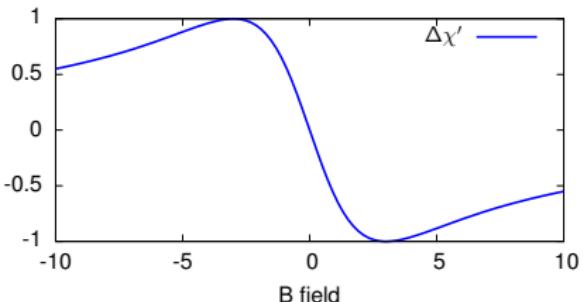
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Optical magnetometer and non linear Faraday effect

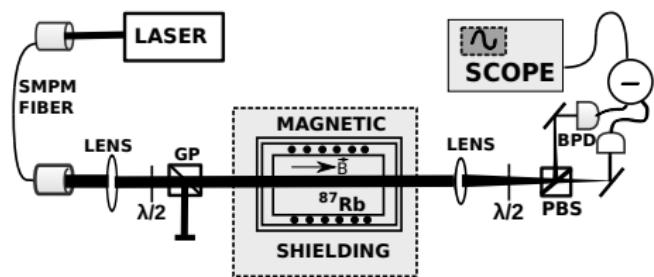
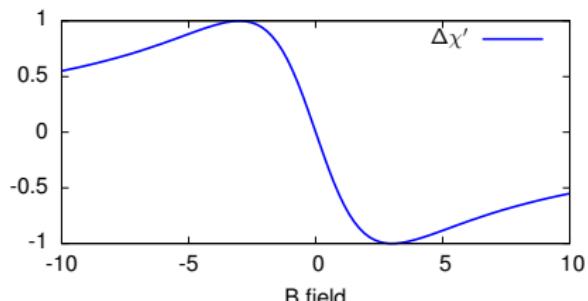
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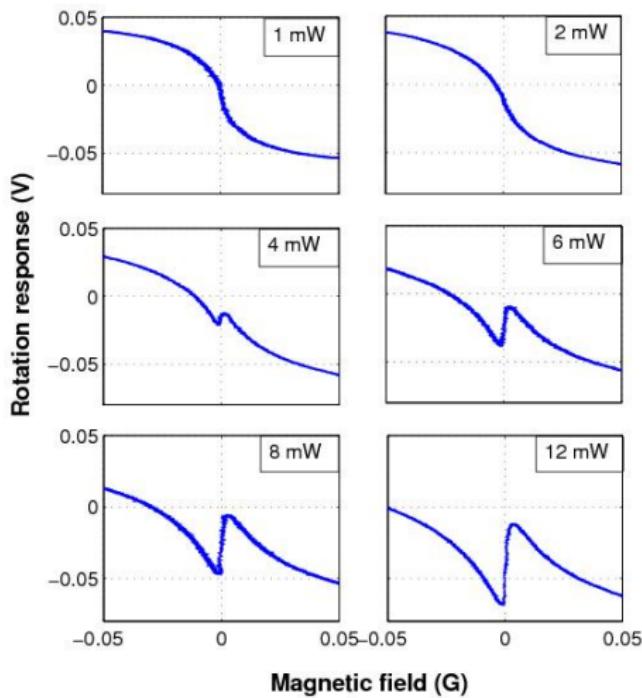


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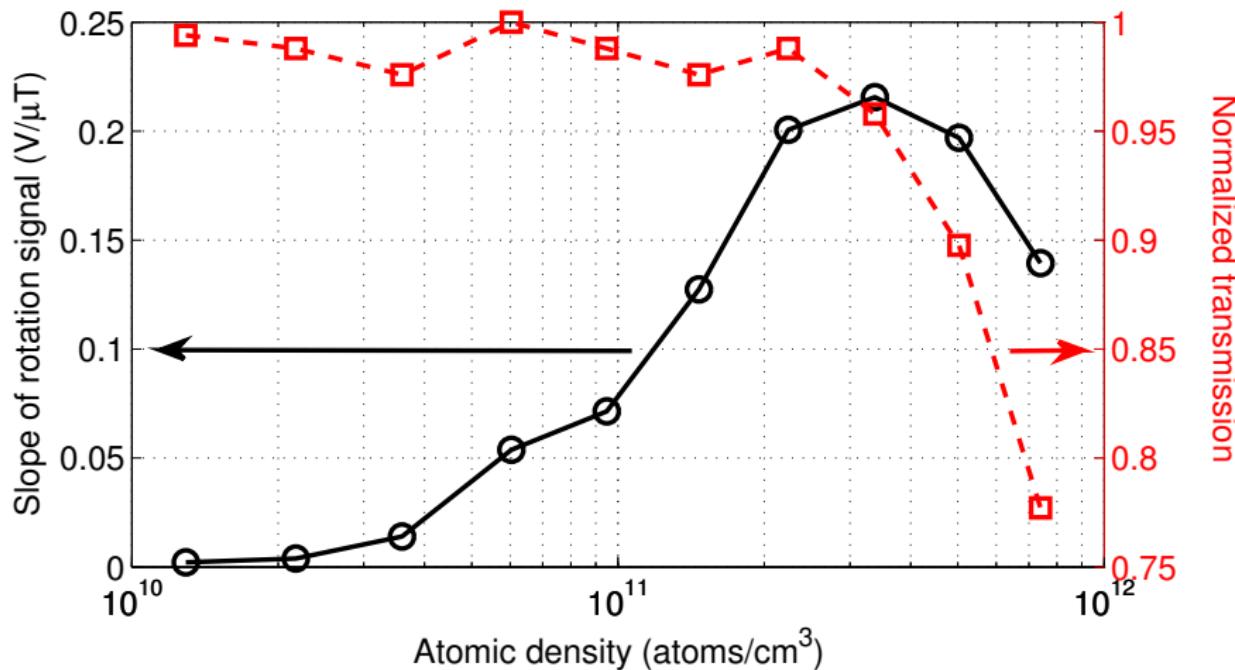
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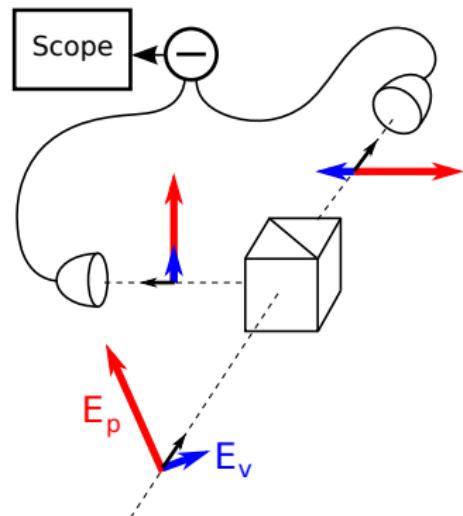
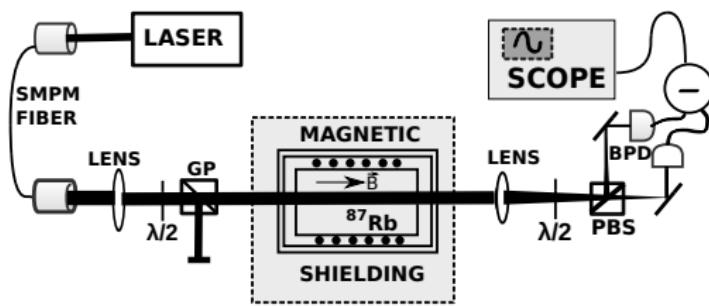
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Magnetometer response vs atomic density



Shot noise limit of the magnetometer

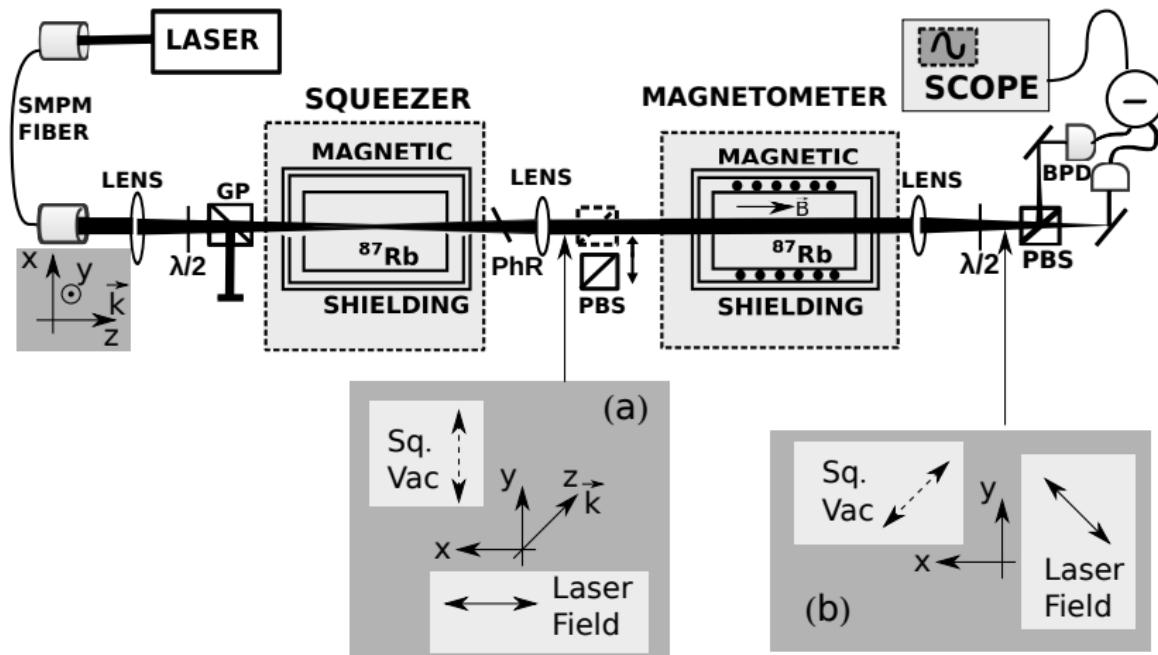


$$S = |E_p + E_v|^2 - |E_p - E_v|^2$$

$$S = 4E_p E_v$$

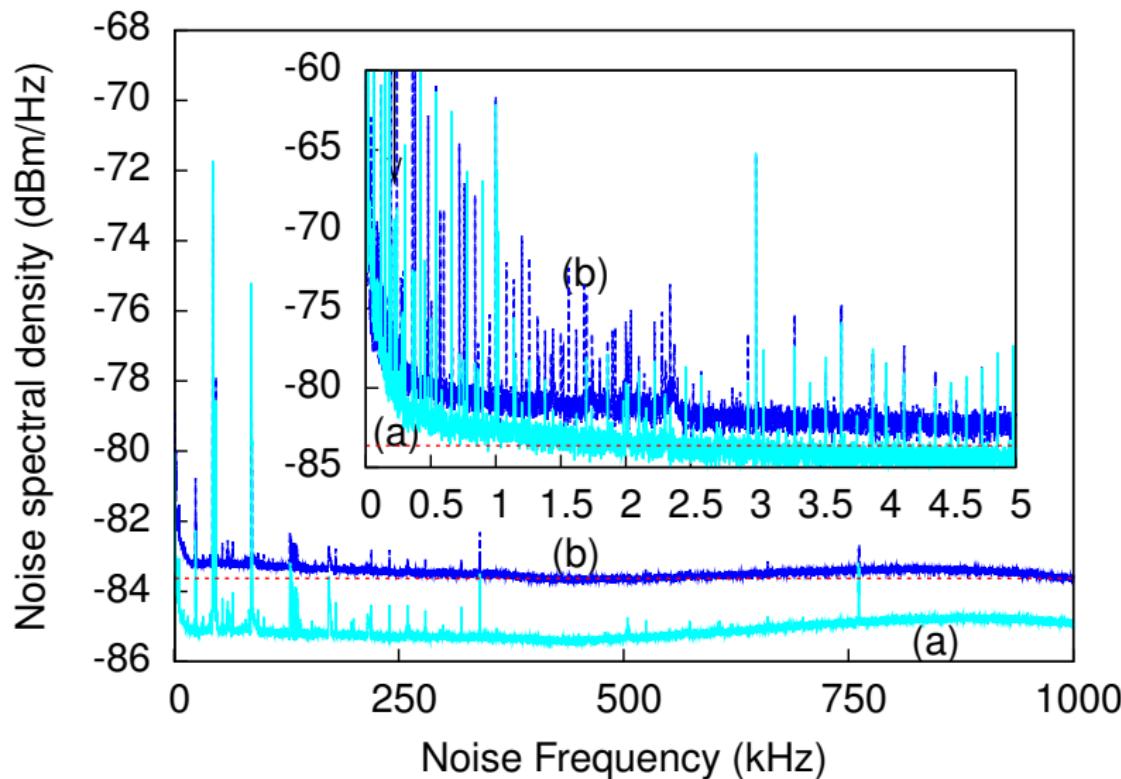
$$\langle \Delta S \rangle \sim E_p \langle \Delta E_v \rangle$$

Squeezed enhanced magnetometer setup



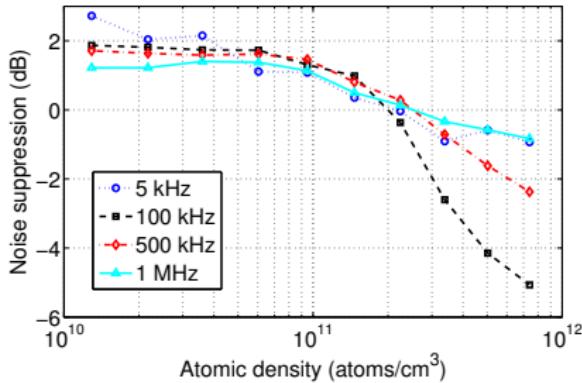
Note: Squeezed enhanced magnetometer was first demonstrated by Wolfgramm *et. al* Phys. Rev. Lett, **105**, 053601, 2010.

Magnetometer noise floor improvements

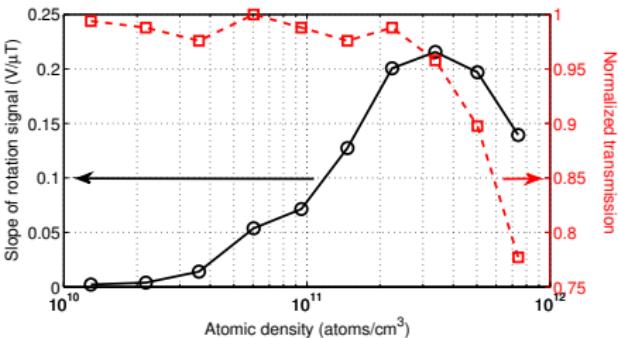


Noise suppression and response vs atomic density

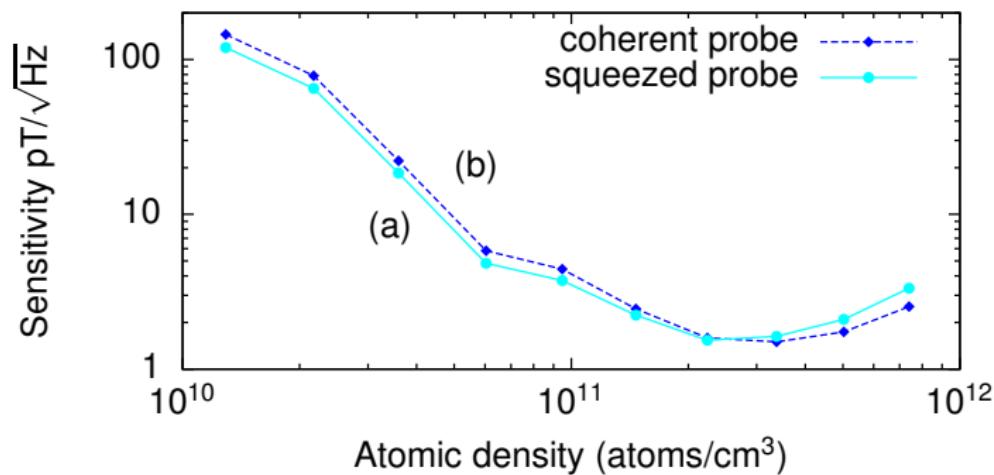
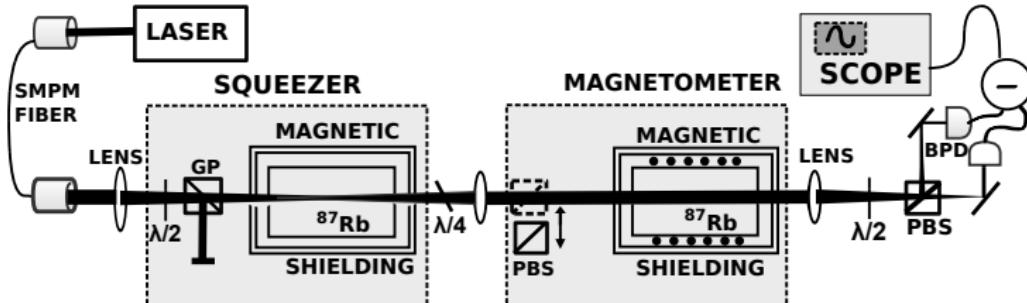
Noise suppression



Response



Magnetometer with squeezing enhancement



Summary

- Squeezing is exciting
- many applications benefit from squeezing
- there is still a lot of interesting physics to do