



# Review of QIT for Network (except for QKD)

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- ✓ Quantum Information Network Building Block 1:  
Quantum Repeater
- ✓ Quantum Information Network Building Block 2:  
Satellite based quantum communication
- ✓ QIT for Network: Quantum Time Synchronization

# Challenge in global fiber quantum communication

(1) Photon Loss  Exponentially Reduce

0.006 bps @ 509 km

Pan & Zhang: PRL 124, 070501 (2020)

(2) Decoherence  Degrading quantum state fidelity

Solution 1: Classical Repeater with trust nodes

eg: Beijing-Shanghai Main Trunk Line

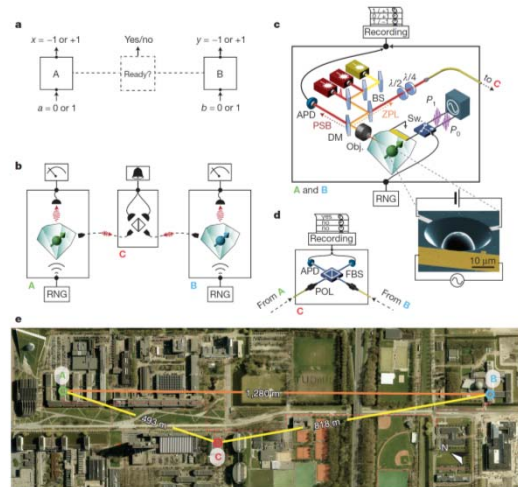
Solution 2: Quantum Repeater

- ✓ Entanglement Swapping
- ✓ Entanglement Purification
- ✓ Quantum Memory

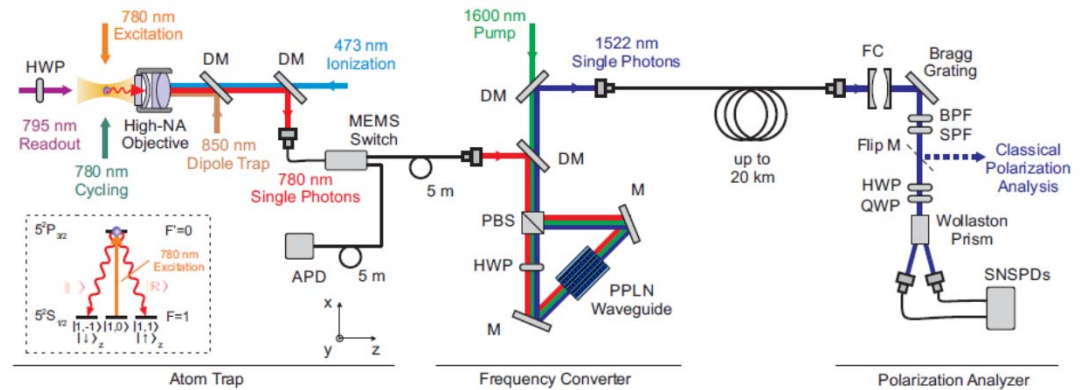
Solution 3: Satellite based quantum network

# Quantum repeater -- state of the art

➤ **NV center: 1.7 km deployed fiber**

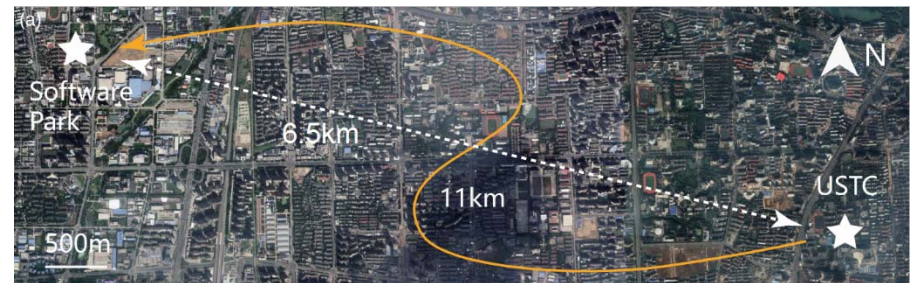
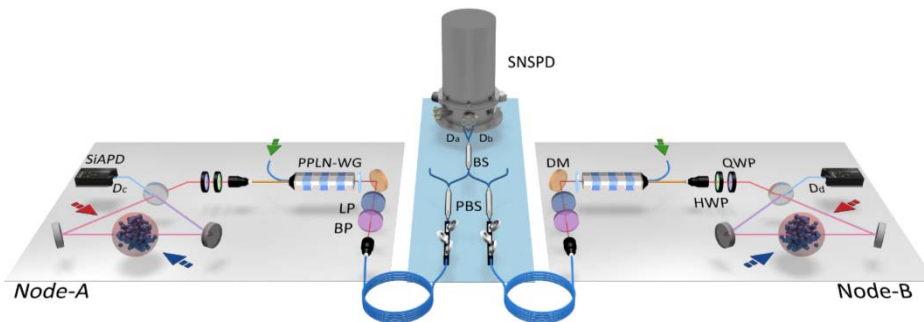


➤ **Single atom: 20 km fiber spool**



Hanson group: Nature 526, 682 (2015)      Weinfurter group: PRL 124, 010510 (2020)

➤ **Atomic ensemble: 50 km fiber spool, 20 km deployed fiber**



Pan & Bao & Zhang: Nature 578, 240 (2020)



# Satellite-relayed intercontinental QKD

Beijing



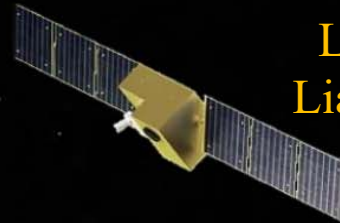
Urumqi



Graz



Liao *et al.*, Nature 549, 43 (2017)  
Liao *et al.*, PRL 120, 030501 (2018)



Micius – Graz, Austria

Date	Sifted key	QBER	Final key
06/18/2017	1361 kb	1.4%	266 kb
06/19/2017	711 kb	2.3%	103 kb
06/23/2017	700 kb	2.4%	103 kb
06/26/2017	1220 kb	1.5%	361 kb

Micius – Xinglong, China

Date	Sifted key	QBER	Final key
06/04/2017	279 kb	1.2%	61 kb
06/15/2017	609 kb	1.1%	141 kb
06/24/2017	848 kb	1.1%	198 kb

Micius – Nanshan, China

Date	Sifted key	QBER	Final key
05/06/2017	1329 kb	1.0%	305 kb
07/07/2017	1926 kb	1.7%	398 kb

7600km

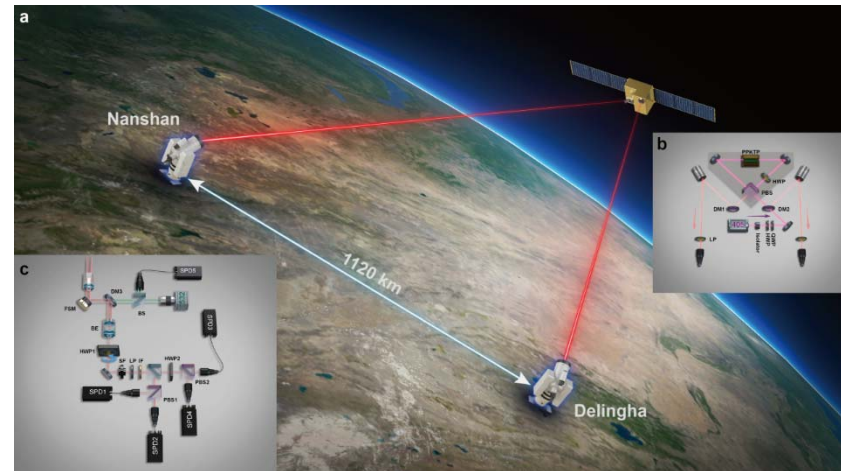
2500km



# Entanglement based satellite quantum communication

**Entanglement based QKD:** over 1120 km to be published in Nature

- Channel Loss: 56~71dB
- Entanglement pairs received at 2/s
- Final key: 0.43 bps
- QBER:  $4.51\% \pm 0.37\%$ 
  - ➔ If load GHz entanglement source, up to **10kbits** per orbit

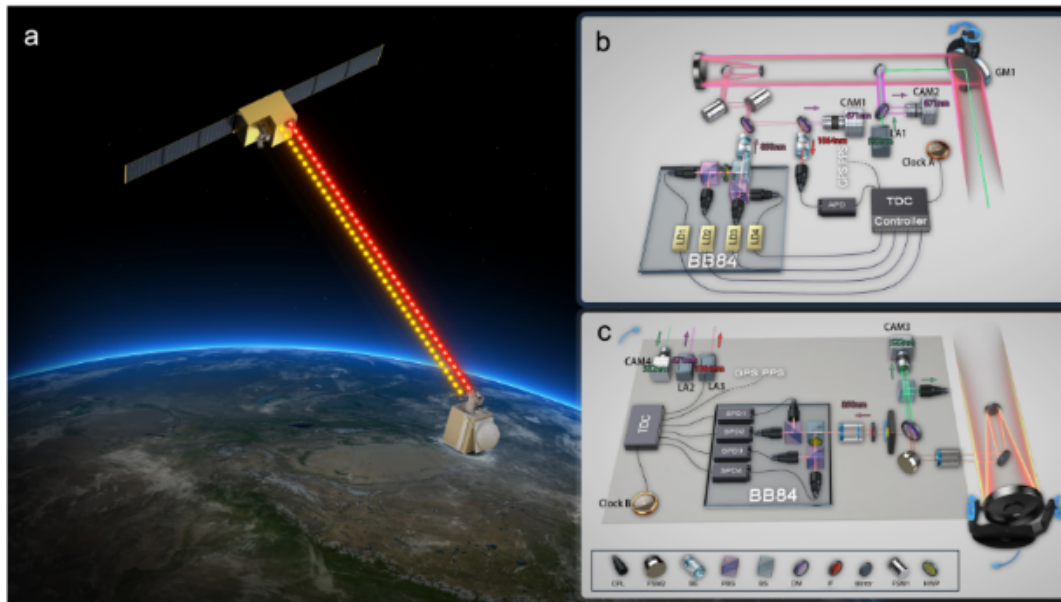


This would thus achieve the Holy Grail that all cryptographers have been dreaming of for thousands of years

--Gilles Brassard

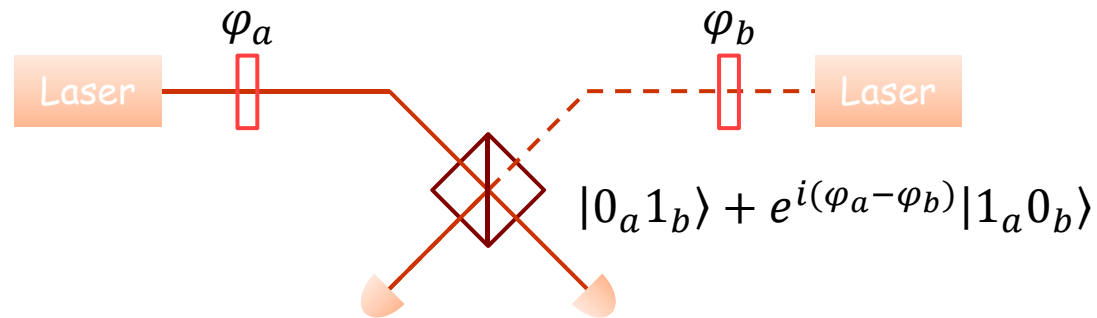
# Quantum secure time transfer

Pan group: Nat. Physics doi:s41567-020-0892-y.

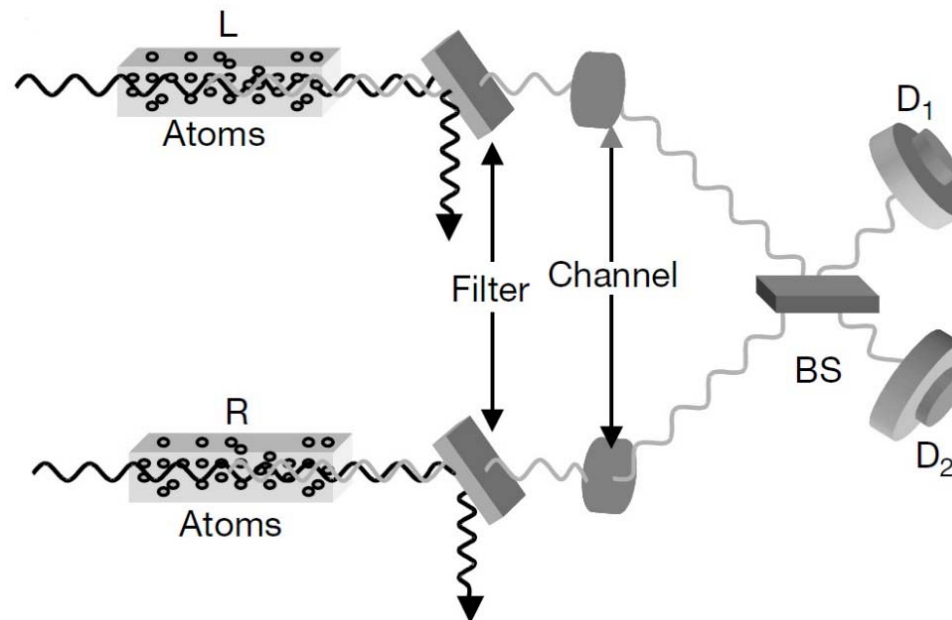


- The first secure time transfer based on satellite QKD
- Use QKD synchronization pulses and signal pulses as time signal carrier
- Use QKD final key to encrypt timestamp data
- The QKD signal cannot be forged, so that time signals cannot be forged
  - ➔ Time transfer precision: 30 ps

# Time frequency transfer technology in QC



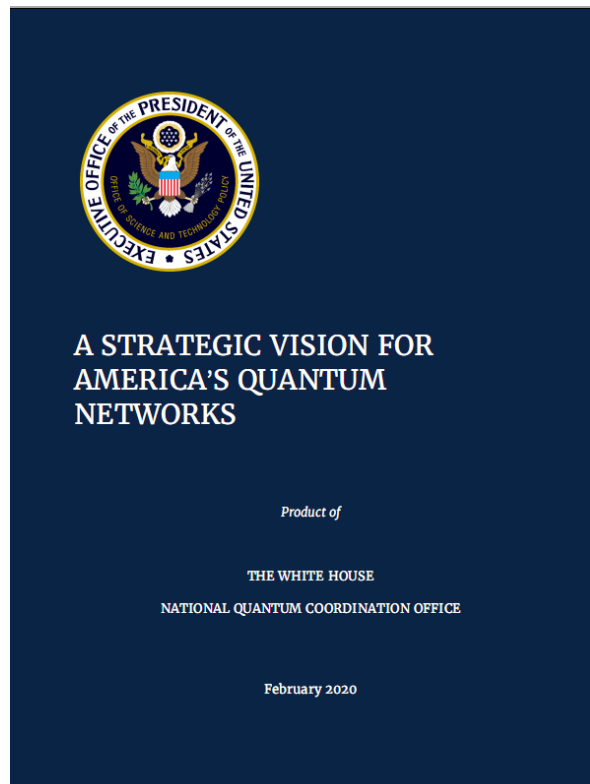
Major technology challenging for both TF QKD & DLCZ Quantum Repeater:  
Stable phase interference between two separate independent lasers/light sources





# Future Plan---USA

USA



- **Two specific goals**

**Over the next five years**, companies and laboratories in the United States will demonstrate the foundational science and key technologies to **enable quantum networks**, from quantum interconnects, quantum repeaters, and quantum memories to high-throughput quantum channels and exploration of space-based entanglement distribution across intercontinental distances. At the same time, **the potential impact and improved applications** of such systems will be identified for commercial, scientific, health and national security benefits.

**Over the next twenty years**, **quantum internet links** will leverage networked quantum devices to **enable new capabilities** not possible with classical technology, while advancing our understanding of the role entanglement plays.

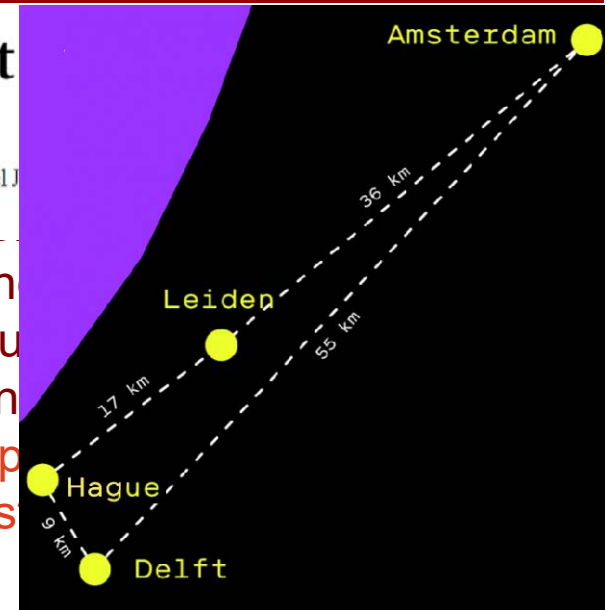
# Future Plan---EU Quantum Repeater

## Netherland

### Deterministic delivery of remote entanglement quantum network

Peter C. Humphreys<sup>1,3</sup>, Norbert Kalb<sup>1,3</sup>, Jaco P. J. Morits<sup>1</sup>, Raymond N. Schouten<sup>1</sup>, Raymond F. L. Vermeulen<sup>1</sup>, Daniel J. Matthew Markham<sup>2</sup> & Ronald Hanson<sup>1\*</sup>

entanglement between two quantum chips faster than the time the entanglement is lost. Via a novel smart entanglement protocol and careful management of the entanglement, the scientists led by Prof. Ronald Hanson have managed to deliver such a quantum link on demand. This opens the way to connect multiple quantum nodes and create the very first quantum network in the world.



The Delft scientists now plan to realize such a network between several quantum nodes. Hanson says, "Together with partners such as KPN, we want to connect four cities in the Netherlands by 2020 via quantum entanglement. This will be the very first quantum internet in the world."

<https://www.nature.com/articles/s41586-018-0200-5>

# Future Plan---EU Satellite Quantum Communication



THE EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY

“An agreement forged today between the European Commission and the European Space Agency marks the first steps towards creating a highly secure, pan-European quantum communication infrastructure.

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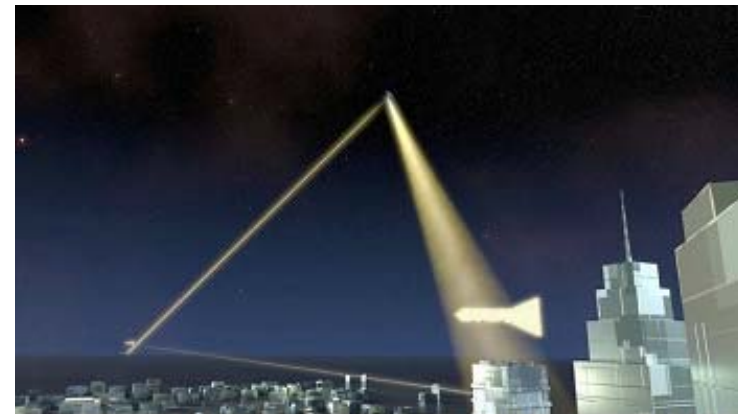
It would comprise a series of quantum communication networks, linking institutional users and their critical infrastructures, and sensitive communication and data sites in Europe. ....”

[http://www.esa.int/Applications/Telecommunications\\_Integrated\\_Applications/European\\_quantum\\_communications\\_network\\_takes\\_shape](http://www.esa.int/Applications/Telecommunications_Integrated_Applications/European_quantum_communications_network_takes_shape)

APPLICATIONS

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## European quantum communications network takes shape



The proposed satellite quantum communication systems would have pan-European reach

# Perspective—Personal View

## Quantum Repeater

- **Next 5 years**  
Several hundred km scale & metropolitan network
- **Next 10-20**  
~1000 km quantum entanglement distribution  
**Although quantum purification might not be guaranteed**

## Satellite based quantum communication

- **Next 5 years**  
QKD network with nano satellite and miniature station
- **Next 10-20**  
Entanglement based quantum network

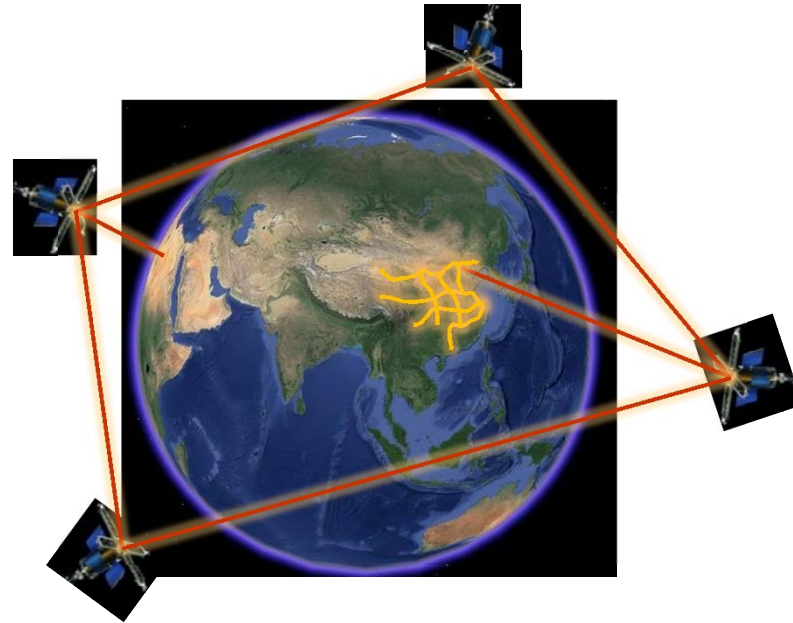
# Future Prospects



- Combine QKD Network and the Network of Frequency and Time Transfer  
**"Secure Time Transfer"**
- Maintaining the phase between remote lasers to building up national wide quantum repeater & long distance TF QKD.



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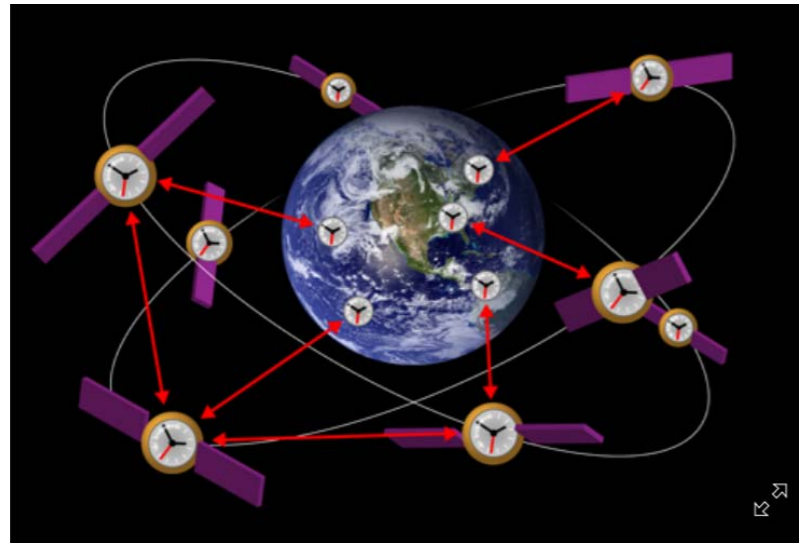


Quantum Constellation + Fiber quantum communication  
infrastructure



"Quantum Internet"

# Future Prospects



**GEO Optical Clocks + Precise Free-Space Frequency and  
Time Transfer**



**“Network of Optical Clocks”**



Thanks for your attention!

