Generating continuous variable nonclassical states using superposition of number-conserving quantum operations

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## **MOTIVATION**

We consider an experimentally realizable scheme for manipulating CV optical fields using a number-conserving, general superposition of products of field annihilation ( $\hat{a}$ ) and creation ( $\hat{a}^{\dagger}$ ) operators of the type  $s\hat{a}\hat{a}^{\dagger} + t\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a}$ , with  $s^2 + t^2 = 1$ . Such an operation, when applied on states with classical features, is shown to introduce strong nonclassicality. We generate two-mode entangled and EPR correlated states that give interesting results when applied as quantum channels for CV teleportation.

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$$|\Psi\rangle' = N\left(\hat{a}^{\dagger}\right)^{m}|\Psi\rangle,$$

**PHOTON ADDITION** 

where N is the normalization.

For a coherent state input,  $|\alpha\rangle$  and a single photon addition

$$|\alpha,1\rangle = \frac{\hat{a}^{\dagger}|\alpha\rangle}{\sqrt{1+|\alpha|^2}}.$$

 $|\alpha, 1\rangle$  is no more a classical coherent state.

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#### **Experimentally Realizable:**



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#### **Experimentally Realizable:**



$$|\Psi\rangle' = N \ (\hat{a})^m |\Psi\rangle,$$

PHOTON SUBTRACTION

where N is the normalization.

For a coherent state input,  $|\alpha\rangle$  and a single photon subtraction

$$\alpha |\alpha\rangle = \hat{a} |\alpha\rangle$$

#### does not introduce nonclassicality

$$|\Psi\rangle' = N \ (\hat{a})^m |\Psi\rangle$$
,

PHOTON SUBTRACTION

where N is the normalization.

For a two-mode squeezed vacuum state,  $|\psi\rangle = \hat{S}(r)|0,0\rangle = \sqrt{1-\lambda^2}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}\lambda^n|n,n\rangle$ 

### $\hat{a}|\psi angle$ does enhance nonclassicality

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#### **Experimental Scheme:**



Photon detection at **P1** and **P2** ensures that the operation  $\hat{a} \ \hat{a}^{\dagger}$ has been performed with some probability. **M** is a highly reflective, lossless mirror.

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#### Theory of the experimental scheme:

Beamsplitter1 (B1, mode II) operating on input (mode I):

$$\hat{B}_{B1}|\psi\rangle_{\mathrm{in},\mathrm{I}}|0\rangle_{\mathrm{II}} \simeq \left(1 - \frac{r_1^*}{t_1}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{II}}^{\dagger}\right)|\psi_{\mathrm{in}},0\rangle_{\mathrm{I},\mathrm{II}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &(1 - g\hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{III}}^{\dagger})\hat{B}_{B1}|\psi_{\mathrm{in}},0,0\rangle_{\mathrm{I},\mathrm{II},\mathrm{III}}\\ &\text{PDC (mode III) operating}\\ &\text{on input after B1:} \qquad \simeq \left(1 - g\hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{III}}^{\dagger} - \frac{r_{1}^{*}}{t_{1}}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{II}}^{\dagger} + g\frac{r_{1}^{*}}{t_{1}}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{III}}^{\dagger}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{III}}^{\dagger}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{III}}^{\dagger}\right)|\psi_{\mathrm{in}},0,0\rangle_{\mathrm{I},\mathrm{II},\mathrm{III}}. \end{aligned}$$

State after detection of **1 photon** at **PDC**:

$$\left(-g\hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}^{\dagger}+g\frac{r_{\mathrm{I}}^{*}}{t_{1}}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}^{\dagger}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{II}}^{\dagger}\right)|\psi_{\mathrm{in}},0\rangle_{\mathrm{I,II}}.$$

#### Theory of the experimental scheme:

Beamsplitter2 (B2, mode IV) operating after B1 and PDC to obtain final state

$$\begin{split} &\left(1 - \frac{r_2^*}{t_2} \hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}} \hat{a}_{\mathrm{IV}}^{\dagger}\right) \left(-g \hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}^{\dagger} + g \frac{r_1^*}{t_1} \hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{\mathrm{II}} \hat{a}_{\mathrm{II}}^{\dagger}\right) |\psi_{\mathrm{in}}, 0, 0\rangle_{\mathrm{I,II,IV}} \\ &\simeq \left(-g \hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}^{\dagger} + g \frac{r_1^*}{t_1} \hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}} \hat{a}_{\mathrm{II}}^{\dagger} - g \frac{r_2^*}{t_2} \hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}} \hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{\mathrm{IV}}^{\dagger} - g \frac{r_1^*}{t_1} \frac{r_2^*}{t_2} \hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}} \hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{\mathrm{IV}}^{\dagger} \right) \\ &\times |\psi_{\mathrm{in}}, 0, 0\rangle_{\mathrm{I,II,IV}}. \end{split}$$

The superposed operations on the input state after **beamsplitter (B3)** interference

$$\left(gt_3\frac{r_1^*}{t_1}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}^{\dagger}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}} - r_3g\frac{r_2^*}{t_2}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}^{\dagger}\right)|\psi\rangle_{\mathrm{in}},$$

$$\left(-gr_3^*\frac{r_1^*}{t_1}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}^{\dagger}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}} - t_3^*g\frac{r_2^*}{t_2}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}\hat{a}_{\mathrm{I}}^{\dagger}\right)|\psi\rangle_{\mathrm{in}},$$

Suitably adjusting the optical paramteres we get the number-conserving superposed operation  $s\hat{a}\hat{a}^{\dagger} + t\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a}$ .

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**Nonclassicality indicators: Wigner distribution** 

$$W(\beta, \beta^*) = \frac{2}{\pi^2} e^{2|\beta|^2} \int d^2 \gamma \langle -\gamma |\hat{\rho}|\gamma \rangle e^{-2(\beta^*\gamma - \beta\gamma^*)}$$

is the Wigner distribution in terms of the coherent state

 $|\gamma\rangle = \exp(-|\gamma|^2/2 + \gamma \hat{a}^{\dagger})|0\rangle$ 

The expression can be written in a series form,

$$W(\beta,\beta^*) = \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \langle \beta, k | \hat{\rho} | \beta, k \rangle,$$

where,  $|\beta, k\rangle$  is the displaced number state.

#### The **positivity** of the Wigner function is a **necessary but not sufficient** condition of classicality

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#### Nonclassicality indicators: Mandel's Q-parameter

Mandel's Q-parameter is a measure of the photon statistics and its deviation from the Poissonian nature.

$$Q \equiv \frac{\langle \hat{a}^{\dagger 2} \hat{a}^2 \rangle - \langle \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} \rangle^2}{\langle \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} \rangle}.$$

Q < 0 corresponds to states with sub-Poissonian statistics that have no classical analogue.

#### **Nonclassicality indicators: Quadrature squeezing**

A state is said to be **squeezed** if any of its quadrature deviation is less than its coherent state value.

$$S_{\text{opt}} = \langle : (\Delta \hat{X}_{\theta})^2 : \rangle_{\min}$$
  
=  $-2|\langle \hat{a}^{\dagger 2} \rangle - \langle \hat{a}^{\dagger} \rangle^2| + 2\langle \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} \rangle - 2|\langle \hat{a}^{\dagger} \rangle|^2$ 

The nonclassical states correspond to negative values of  $S_{opt}$ where  $-1 \leq S_{opt} < 0$ .

**Coherent state input** 

$$|\alpha\rangle = \exp\left(\frac{-|\alpha|^2}{2}\right)\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}\frac{\alpha^n}{\sqrt{n!}}|n\rangle,$$

 $\hat{\rho}_{\rm coh} = N_1^{-1} [s(\hat{a}\hat{a}^{\dagger}) + t(\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a})] |\alpha\rangle \langle \alpha | [s(\hat{a}\hat{a}^{\dagger}) + t(\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a})] |\alpha\rangle \langle$ 

$$N_1 = s^2 + (s+t)(3s+t)|\alpha|^2 + (s+t)^2|\alpha|^4$$

$$W_{\text{SOCS}}(\beta, \beta^*) = W_{\text{coh}}(\beta, \beta^*)$$
  
×  $N_1^{-1} [M_1^2 + 2(s+t)M_1(\alpha^*\beta + \alpha\beta^*)$   
+  $(s+t)^2 |\alpha|^2 (4|\beta|^2 - 1)],$ 

$$W_{\rm coh}(\beta, \beta^*) = \frac{2}{\pi} e^{-2|\beta-\alpha|^2}$$

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#### **Coherent state input**



Thermal state input  $\hat{\rho}_{in} = \frac{1}{(1+\bar{n})} \sum_{n} \left( \frac{\bar{n}}{1+\bar{n}} \right)^{n} |n\rangle \langle n|$ 

$$\hat{\rho}_{\text{th}} = N_2^{-1} [s(\hat{a}\hat{a}^{\dagger}) + t(\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a})]\hat{\rho}_{\text{in}} [s(\hat{a}\hat{a}^{\dagger}) + t(\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a})],$$
$$N_2 = s^2 (1 + \bar{n})(1 + 2\bar{n}) + 4st\bar{n}(1 + \bar{n}) + t^2\bar{n}(1 + 2\bar{n})$$

 $W_{\text{SOTS}}(\beta, \beta^*) = W_{\text{th}}(\beta, \beta^*) N_2^{-1} [(M_2 + s)^2 + (s+t)M_2],$  $W_{\text{th}}(\beta, \beta^*) = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{1}{(1+2\bar{n})} e^{-\frac{2|\beta|^2}{1+2\bar{n}}}.$  $M_2 = \frac{4\bar{n}(1+\bar{n})}{(1+2\bar{n})^2} (s+t) |\beta|^2$ 

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#### **Thermal state input**



#### No negative region of Wigner dist.

#### **Thermal state input**



#### Using parameterized quasiprobability



## The thermal state has a **negative** quasiprobability distribution corresponding to the *P*- function.

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**GSP** correspond to the generalized number-conserving superposed operations.  $\hat{B}_{ab}$  correspond to the mode interacting beamsplitter operation

In **single mode** operations the second mode is a vacuum mode. For squeezed state two-mode input the  $\hat{B}_{ab}$  operation is pre-considered in generating the state.

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**Single mode input:** Coherent state

**GSP** operation.  
$$D_a(\alpha)$$
 is the displacement operator

$$\begin{aligned} |\alpha'\rangle_a &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} (s\hat{a}\hat{a}^{\dagger} + t\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a}) |\alpha\rangle_a \\ &= \frac{D_a(\alpha)}{\sqrt{N}} (s + \alpha(s + t)(\hat{a}^{\dagger} + \alpha^*)) |0\rangle_a. \end{aligned}$$

Beamsplitter  $(\widehat{B}_{ab})$  operation with a vacuum input in mode **b**.  $A_{ab}$  are operators acting locally.

$$\begin{aligned} |\phi\rangle_{ab}^{out} &= \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{ab} \ |\alpha'\rangle_a \otimes |0\rangle_b \\ &= \mathcal{A}_{ab} \left[ p_1 |00\rangle_{ab} + \frac{p_2}{\sqrt{2}} (|01\rangle_{ab} + |10\rangle_{ab}) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Since, the operators  $A_{ab}$  act locally on  $\rho_{ab}$  hence, the Entanglement properties can be calculated using this.

$$\rho_{ab}^{out} = \mathcal{A}_{ab} \ \rho_{ab}^{0} \ \mathcal{A}_{ab}^{\dagger}$$

$$\rho_{ab}^{0} = \begin{pmatrix} p_{1}^{2} & p_{1}p_{2}/\sqrt{2} & p_{1}p_{2}/\sqrt{2} & 0\\ p_{1}p_{2}/\sqrt{2} & p_{2}^{2}/2 & p_{2}^{2}/2 & 0\\ p_{1}p_{2}/\sqrt{2} & p_{2}^{2}/2 & p_{2}^{2}/2 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Single mode input:** Thermal states

**GSP** operation 
$$\rho_a^{'th} = \frac{M^{-1}}{1+\bar{n}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\bar{n}}{1+\bar{n}}\right)^n (s+n(s+t))^2 |n\rangle \langle n|_a,$$

Beamsplitter  $(\widehat{B}_{ab})$  operation with a vacuum input in mode **b**.

Using low-field intensity ( $\bar{n} \leq 0.1$ ) to allow optical truncation, we obtain a low dimensional  $\rho_{ab}$ .

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Single mode input: Squeezed states

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{GSP} \text{ operation} \\ |\psi\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} (s\hat{a}\hat{a}^{\dagger} + t\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a})(1 - \lambda^2)^{1/4} \\ & \times \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{(2n)!}}{n!} \left( -\frac{\lambda}{2} \right)^n |2n\rangle_a \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{(1 - \lambda^2)^{1/2}}{N}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{(2n)!}}{n!} \left( -\frac{\lambda}{2} \right)^n \\ & \times (s + 2n(s + t)) |2n\rangle_a, \end{aligned}$$

Beamsplitter  $(\widehat{B}_{ab})$  operation with a vacuum input in mode **b**.

$$|\psi'\rangle = \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{ab} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n \frac{(\hat{a}^{\dagger})^{2n}}{\sqrt{(2n)!}} |0\rangle_a |0\rangle_b$$

Using low squeezing  $(\lambda \ll 1)$  to allow optical truncation, we obtain a low dimensional output.

$$\begin{split} |\psi'\rangle &= c_0 |00\rangle_{ab} + c_1 \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{ab} (\hat{a}^{\dagger})^2 \hat{\mathcal{B}}_{ab}^{\dagger} |00\rangle_{ab} \\ &= c_0 |00\rangle_{ab} + c_1 \left(\frac{\hat{a}^{\dagger} - \hat{b}^{\dagger}}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \left(\frac{\hat{a}^{\dagger} - \hat{b}^{\dagger}}{\sqrt{2}}\right) |00\rangle_{ab} \\ &= c_0 |00\rangle_{ab} + \frac{c_1}{\sqrt{2}} |20\rangle_{ab} + \frac{c_1}{\sqrt{2}} |02\rangle_{ab} - c_1 |11\rangle_{ab} \end{split}$$

#### BIPARTITE ENTANGLEMENT BETWEEN THE MODES: SINGLE MODE INPUT



#### BIPARTITE ENTANGLEMENT BETWEEN THE MODES: TWO MODE INPUT



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#### BRAUNSTEIN KIMBLE PROTOCOL FOR CONTINUOUS VARIABLE TELEPORTATION

 $W(\alpha,\beta,\gamma)=W_{in}(\gamma)\otimes W_{ch}(\alpha,\beta),$ 

Where,  $W_{in}(\gamma)$  and  $W_{ch}(\alpha, \beta)$  are the Wigner distribution of the state to be teleported and the quantum channel respectively. After performing homodyne measurement and classical communication, the output state is given by

 $W_{out}(\beta) = \int d^2 z P(z) W(\beta - gz, z), \ \chi_{out} = \chi_{in}(\alpha) \chi_{ch}(\alpha, \alpha^*),$  where  $\chi_{in}$  and  $\chi_{out}$  are characteristic functions of the input and output state. post homodyne measurement

$$W(\beta, z) = \frac{2}{P(z)} \int d^2 x_{\nu} d^2 p_{\mu} W_{in} \left(\frac{\mu - \nu}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \otimes W_{ch} \left(\frac{\mu + \nu}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

**AVERAGE FIDELITY** 

$$F = \pi \int d^2 \beta W_{in}(\beta) W_{out}(\beta) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int d^2 \alpha \chi_{in}(\alpha) \chi_{out}(-\alpha)$$

Single mode input: Coherent state

Characteristic function of channel:

$$\chi_{ch}(\xi,\eta) = N^{-1} \left( s^2 + (s+t)^2 |\alpha|^2 \{ 1 + (\alpha + X)(\alpha^* - X^*) \} + s(s+t) \{ \alpha(\alpha^* - X^*) + \alpha^*(\alpha + X) \} \right) \qquad \chi_{ch}(\alpha, \alpha^*)$$
$$\times \exp\left[ \frac{1}{2} (|X|^2 + |Y|^2) \right] \exp(\alpha^* X - \alpha X)$$

Characteristic function of single mode coherent input:

$$\chi^{coh}(\gamma) = \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}|\gamma|^2\right] \exp(\alpha^*\gamma - \alpha\gamma^*)$$

Characteristic function of single mode squeezed input:

$$\chi_{sqz}(\gamma) = \exp\left[-\frac{\cosh 2r'}{2}|\gamma|^2 - \frac{\sinh 2r'}{4}(\gamma^2 + \gamma^{*2})\right]$$

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 $\chi_{in}(\alpha)$ 

**Single mode input:** Coherent state

Characteristic function of channel:

$$\chi_{ch}(\xi,\eta) = N^{-1} \left(s^{2} + (e^{-\gamma})^{2-\alpha} + X)(\alpha^{*} - X^{*})\right)$$

$$+s(\chi_{out} = \chi_{in}(\alpha)\chi_{ch}(\alpha, \alpha^{*})$$

$$K = \frac{1}{\pi} \int d^{2}\alpha \ \chi_{in}(\alpha)\chi_{out}(-\alpha)$$

$$\chi_{in}(\alpha)$$

$$\chi_{sqz}(\gamma) = \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}|\gamma|^{2} - \frac{\sinh 2r'}{4}(\gamma^{2} + \gamma^{*2})\right]$$









Two mode GSP channel and single mode squeezed input



Squeezed state

#### Unlike other results, the fidelity does not resound the effect of bipartite mode-entanglement



#### $\Delta(\hat{x}_1 - \hat{x}_2)^2 + \Delta(\hat{p}_1 + \hat{p}_2)^2 = 2$ is the classical limit

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## **SUMMARY AND OUTLOOK**

- Generation of nonclassical and nonGaussian quantum states
- Useful in heralded generation of highly entangled low dimensional discrete quantum states
- Enhancement of the average fidelity CV quantum teleportation
- We observe that classical fidelity is suppressed while quantum fidelity is enhanced.
- Can be useful in investigation of noisy quantum protocols

## **SUMMARY AND OUTLOOK**

- Experimentally realizable and can be harnessed for various quantum protocols
- Heralded generation of nonclassical states can be used for studying important aspects of quantum physics such as micro-macroscopic correlations
- Interesting theoretical interface of quantum optics and quantum information theory

## **RELATED PUBLICATIONS**

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