Continuous-variable quantum information processing at Palacky University Olomouc: Overview and Outlook

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Outline of the talk

- Group members
- Main research interests
- Ongoing and possible future collaborations
- Future outlook where are we heading?

Group members

- Jaromír Fiurášek associate professor
- Radim Filip associate professor
- Ladislav Mišta senior postdoc
- Petr Marek postdoc
- Vladyslav Usenko junior postdoc

Quantum state estimation and reconstruction

- Zdeněk Hradil full professor
- Jaroslav Řeháček associate professor

Main research areas and interests in CV QIP

- WP1: Engineering (non-Gaussian) CV quantum operations
- WP2: Light-matter quantum interface
- WP3: Noise suppression in CV quantum communication
- Estimation and reconstruction of quantum states and processes

Engineering non-Gaussian quantum operations

Main goal:

Find feasible and compact schemes for implementation of various CV operations on light modes and atomic memories

Determine which resources are sufficient for universal CV QIP

Tools and approaches:

- Combination of photon subtraction and addition with Gaussian operations
- Off-line generated resource states CV analogue of the KLM scheme
- Homodyne and single-photon detection, postselection and feedforward
- P. Marek and J. Fiurášek, Phys. Rev. A 79, (2009).

Engineering arbitrary operation depending on photon number



Probabilistic implementation of an arbitrary operation that can be expressed as polynomial in photon number operator.

Coherently combines photon addition and subtraction.

J. Fiurášek, Phys. Rev. A 80, 053822 (2009).

Generalization of a scheme proposed in:

M. S. Kim, H. Jeong, A. Zavatta, V. Parigi, M. Bellini, Phys. Rev. Lett. 101, 260401 (2008).

Resource-inexpensive probabilistic amplifier



Requires only single-photon subtraction

Photon addition replaced by injection of thermal noise.

Less universal but easier to implement.

Possible application: coherent-state phase concentration.

P. Marek and R. Filip, arXiv:0907.2402 (2009).

Noise suppression in CV QIP

Distillation, purification and concentration of CV entanglement.

Quantum error filtration and correction.

Gaussian protocols for supression of non-Gaussian noise and decoherence

- Phase fluctuations
- Fluctuations of the channel transmittance (atmospheric fading channel)

M. Sabuncu, R. Filip, G. Leuchs, and U.L.Andersen, *Environmental Assisted Quantum Information Correction for Continuous Variables*.

R. Dong, M. Lassen, J. Heersink, C. Marquardt, R. Filip, G. Leuchs and U.L. Andersen, *Continuous variable entanglement distillation of Non-Gaussian Mixed States.*

Example: Iterative entanglement distillation

Work in progress in collaboration with the group of Roman Schnabel.



Example: Iterative entanglement distillation



Quantum interface between matter and light

Quantum memory for light – optimal storage and readout

Preparation of nonclassical states of light in atomic quantum memory

Purification and distillation of entanglement of two quantum memories

Exploitation of coupling of light and a vibrational mode of a mechanical oscillator

K. Lemr and J. Fiurášek, Phys.Rev. A 79, 043808 (2009).

Perfect mapping of a state into noisy quantum memory via linear coupling with limited strength



The scheme combines phase-insensitive amplifier, CV Bell measurement and feedforward.

High fidelity transfer of any quantum state to noisy target system through arbitrary weak linear coupling C.

R. Filip, Phys. Rev. A 80, 022304 (2009).

Currently active collaborations

Other COMPAS groups:

Nicolas Cerf, Brussels Gerd Leuchs, Erlangen Ulrik Andersen, Lyngby Natalia Korolkova, St. Andrews

Groups outside COMPAS:

Roman Schnabel, Hannover Myungshik Kim, Belfast

Past/future collaborations

Other COMPAS groups:

Eugene Polzik, Copenhagen Philippe Grangier, Paris **Groups outside COMPAS:**

Marco Bellini, Firenze

Plans for the future

- Resource inexpensive quantum state manipulation
- Measurement-induced information processors with semiclasical or quantum resources
- Quantum error correction for entanglement-breaking processes
- Analysis of non-classicality for quantum information processing
- Quantum interfaces and entanglement transfer to noisy matter systems
- Distillation and purification of states in quantum memory
- Theoretical analysis of CV quantum repeater