

Lecture - 14 (Varun Raghunathan)

Topics which will be covered

- 1) From classical to quantum communication (devices systems) $\rightarrow$ M. Fox, Quantum optics & lecture notes
- 2) Basics of cryptography and Quantum key distribution. $\rightarrow$ Nielsen & Chung, Quantum
- 3) Quantum optical treatment light computation Book
 - $\rightarrow$ 2nd Quantization [Photon state $|n\rangle$]
 - $\rightarrow$ quantization [coherent state $|\alpha\rangle$]
- 4) understanding how quantum states interact with optical components (beam splitter + Interferometer)
Gerry and Knight, intro to quantum optics.

Exam:- One in class exam - 3rd week of October. (1/3rd weightage)

Q * Why Quantum Key distribution?

- Ans • most matured of the Quantum technologies
- Strategic applications in cryptography.
- * Photons are the carriers of quantum information?
- $\rightarrow$ They tend to have long coherence time (advantage)
 - $\rightarrow$ its difficult to build quantum memories (disadvantage)
 - $\rightarrow$ interaction with matter qubits (very nascent field)

Q Can we use long length of fiber (delay lines) to

store memory?

Ans No, delay line memory are prone to losses (drawback)

But we can do on the fly processing
This is possible when photon sources and detectors are efficient.

- * Typical communication speeds $\nearrow$ Room temp comm.
desirable (Gbps key rates) $\approx$ kbps - 10s of Mbps (wifi speed)
- * we can't use RF or infrared have less energy
the kT value is similar to $h\nu$ then it may thermalised. So not a good idea to use it.

Wavelength ranges used for quantum comm.

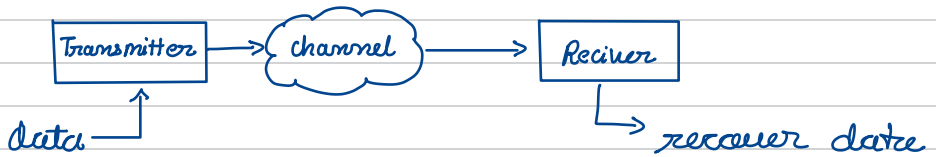
[1] Visible: 400 - 700 nm useful for interfacing with atoms / NV-centers / ion traps etc

[2] Shorter near IR: 700 - 1000 nm $\rightarrow$ Free space

[3] Near IR / Telecom: 1300 - 1600 nm Communication.

$\downarrow$ Fiber-optic comm. • leverage advancement telecom. • In GaAs SPADs superconducting nanowire single photon detector (SNSPD)	$\nwarrow$ entangled photon sources (700-800 nm range)	$\downarrow$ Si-SPADs with efficiently	$\swarrow$ needs strategies to mitigate sunlight interference
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Classical Optical Communication System



Light sources: Bright Photons (mean Photon no. is much much greater than one)

- Laser
- LED

Modulation: Encode data into optical carrier

- direct modulation (of current to a laser)
- indirect modulation (external modulator)
 - electro-optic modulator.
 - modulate light

depending on state of light we choose accordingly.

{	Intensity (IM) modulator
	Phase (PM) modulator
	frequency (FM) modulator
	Polarization modulator

Fibers

→ Free space → in the context of FSO free-space is used typically for long distance communication (>1000 km)

$$\alpha = 0.2 \text{ dB/km}$$

$$L = 1000 \text{ km}$$

$$10 \log \left(\frac{P_{out}}{P_{in}} \right) = 0.2 \times 10^3 = 200 \text{ dB}$$

Detectors

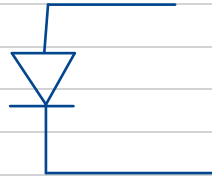
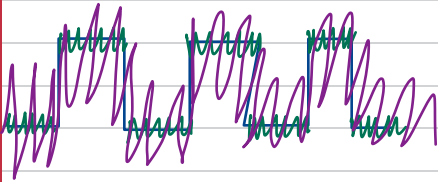
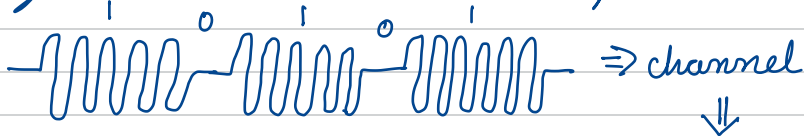
⇒ High Speed photo detectors

↳ P-I-N diodes

↳ Avalanche photodiodes → There are single photon detection based on it.

Noise and signal to Noise ratio (SNR)

digital modulation onto the optical carrier



— ⇒ 0 and 1 could be miss interpreted

— ⇒ little noise

Recovered digital signal with noise added

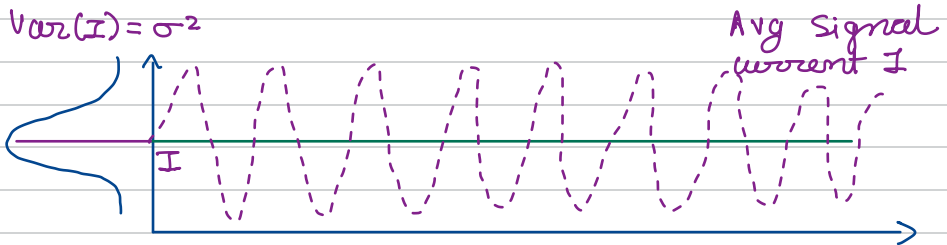
↳ Recover the signal at the output

Noise can introduce error in the measurement.

Sources of Noise

- * Shot noise ⇒ occurs because of the shot-to-shot (discretized) nature of photon quantization / absorption / detection. (quantum limited noise)
- * Thermal noise ⇒ inherent noise due to the system (devices) operating at the temp (T).

- The way we quantify this is by using signal to noise ratio.



$$\text{SNR} = \frac{\text{mean}^2}{\text{Variance}} = \frac{\bar{I}^2}{\sigma^2} = \frac{\bar{I}^2}{\sigma_{\text{Shot}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{thermal}}^2 + \dots}$$

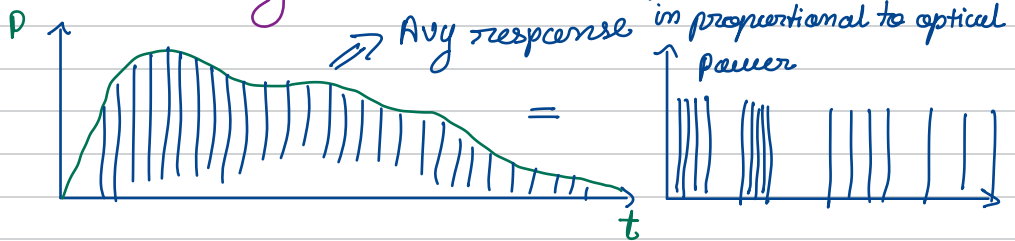
Noise power due to thermal noise = $4kTB$

$$\sigma_{\text{thermal}}^2 = \frac{4kTB}{R}$$

$\rightarrow$ Resistance

$B = \text{Bandwidth}$

* Understanding Shot noise



Think of a hypothetical photometer with very high temporal precision.

$$P = \frac{nh\nu}{T}$$

$n \equiv$ no. of photons in the measurement time window

$T \equiv$ measurement or time window

$h\nu =$ energy of the photon

Single photon detector + Time Tagger

What is the Prob of detecting n photons in a measurement time window T .

Consider the mean photons $n_0 = \bar{n}$



divide the measurement time window in n subbins

Prob. of detecting the photon in a sub bin $p = \frac{\bar{n}}{N}$

$$P(n) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} {}^N C_n p^n (1-p)^{N-n}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \mu(n) \text{ shot noise limit} &= \bar{n} \\ \sigma^2(n) \text{ shot noise limit} &= \bar{n} \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} \mu(n) \text{ shot noise limit} \\ \sigma^2(n) \text{ shot noise limit} \end{aligned}} \right\} \text{SNR} \Big|_{\substack{\text{shot} \\ \text{noise} \\ \text{limit}}} = \frac{\bar{n}^2}{\bar{n}} = \bar{n}$$

Current Variance due to shot noise

$$= \bar{n} (q/T)^2 = (\bar{n} q/T) (q/T) = \bar{I} q (2B)$$

$$\sigma_{\text{shot}}^2 = 2q \bar{I} B$$

$$\text{and } \sigma_{\text{Thermal}}^2 = 4kTB/R$$

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$$SNR = \frac{(\bar{I})^2}{\sigma_{shot}^2 + \sigma_{thermal}^2} = \frac{(R P_{opt})^2}{2q\bar{I}B + \frac{4kTB}{R}}$$

$R P_{opt} = 1$

$R \rightarrow$ Responsivity of the photo detectors

Detection without gain (PIN)

$$SNR | \text{with gain} = \frac{(R P_{opt} G)^2}{2q(R P_{opt})B G^2 F + \frac{4kTB}{R}}$$

gain in the current variance

Noise figure $\Rightarrow$ increase noise due to the gain process

G : gain from the APD

Receiver sensitivity

$$SNR = SNR_0$$

Receiver sensitivity refers to P_{opt} required to achieve $SNR = SNR_0$

$$SNR(dB) = 10 \log_{10}(SNR)$$

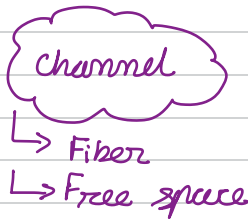
we can come up with a power budget for the communication link ($P_{opt}|_{Tx}$ & $P_{opt}|_{Rx}$) to achieve specific SNR performance

For fixed $P_{opt}|_{Tx}$ we can determine the max length to support a required SNR

We can come up with a power budget for the comm. link to achieve specific SNR performance or for fixed optical P_{opt}/T_x we can determine the max link length to support a marginal SNR.

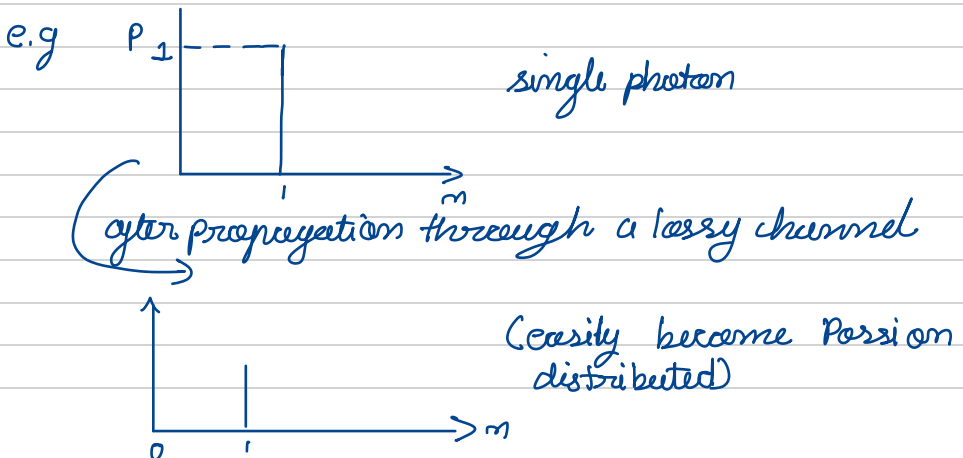
SNR and BER are related $SNR \uparrow$ then $BER \downarrow$
Bit error rate

In Quantum Key distribution we don't use SNR but QBER. (Quantum bit error rate)

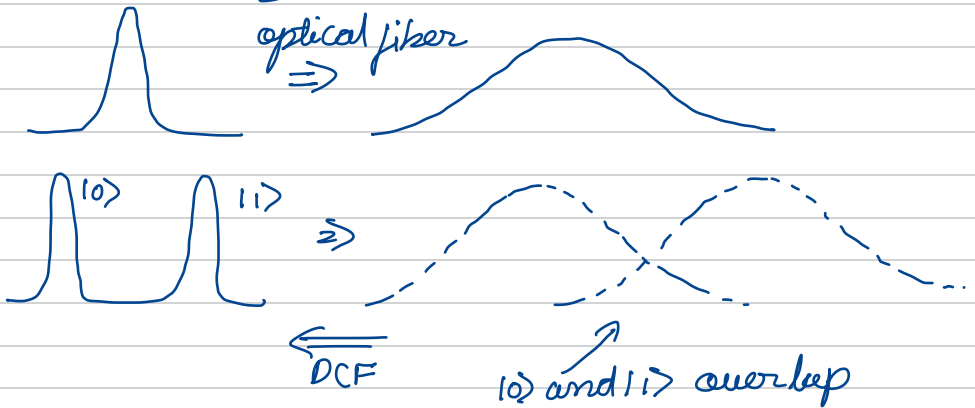


Impairment in the optical channel

Fiber channel: (1) optical losses (scattering & absorption)
(2) dispersion
(3) optical nonlinearity



time encoding



- * dispersion can increase the error probability

to eliminate we use dispersion compensation fiber (opposite n (refractive index))

Non-linear Effects

- * Intensity dependent optical response from the medium for optical nonlinearity.

common nonlinearity - wave mixing

$\Rightarrow$ classical and quantum channel can have cross talk in four wave mixing.

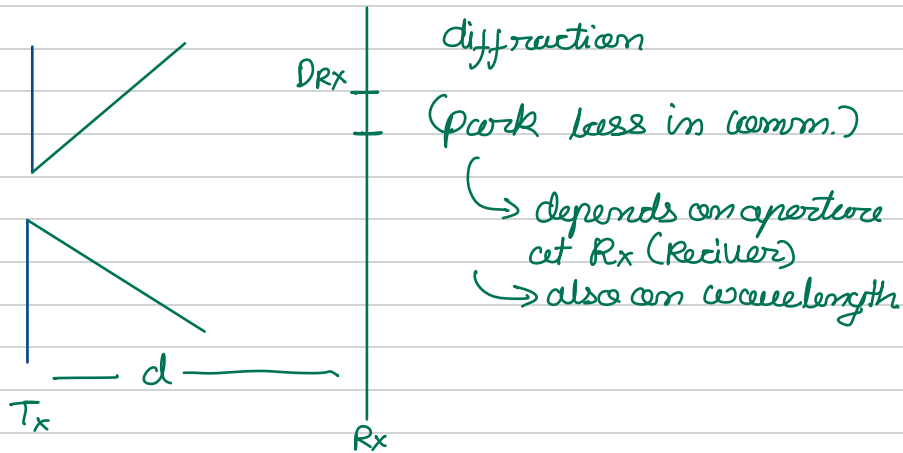
Raman Scattering

- * Scattering of bright photons of the classical channel to the Stokes and anti-Stokes band

If the quantum channel overlaps with the Stokes and anti-Stokes band the quantum info can be compromised.

Free space channel

- Diffraction (beam spreading)
- Scattering due to atmosphere



* Friis formula for free space transmission

$$\frac{P_{Rx}}{P_{Tx}} \propto \frac{D_{Tx}^2}{\lambda^2} \frac{D_{Rx}^2}{d^2}$$

D_{Tx}, D_{Rx} aperture size
 $d \rightarrow$ distance
 $\lambda \rightarrow$ wavelength.

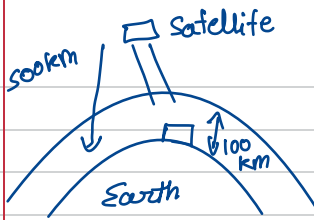
To minimise path losses: $D_{Tx}, D_{Rx} \uparrow, \lambda \downarrow, d \downarrow$

* Scattering occurs due to difference in refraction index in the communication wavelength

Particle size relative to wavelength also influence the Scattering.

Particle size $\approx \lambda \Rightarrow$ Results in significant scattering.

Scattering results in loss of spatial coherence



Overall path loss to Satellite band QKD to determine by the initial atmosphere scattering.

The losses for long distance FS-QKD is less when compared to fiber QKD

It is essential to have negligible beam tracking mechanism to ensure Tx-Rx are aligned for long distance communication.

For a fiber channel with 0.2 dB/km, 1000 km fiber will result in 200 dB of loss

$$\frac{P_{Rx}}{P_{Tx}} = 10^{-20}$$

Long distance fiber comm. happens due to the use of optical amplifiers..

- EDFA
- SOA
- Raman Amplification

No cloning theorem in quantum mechanics prevents the duplication of a general quantum state

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For Quantum Comm. one cannot use optical amplifiers

There's interest in Quantum teleportation and quantum optics technology as a way to reproduce/duplicate the quantum state.

Different architecture for optical communication link.



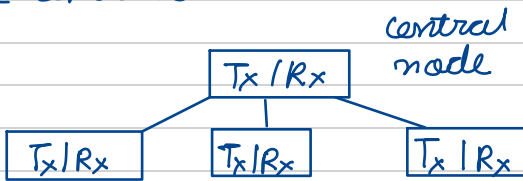
Point to point link



Relay based
point to point link

For QKD $\Rightarrow$ Trusted Relay point to point link

Star network



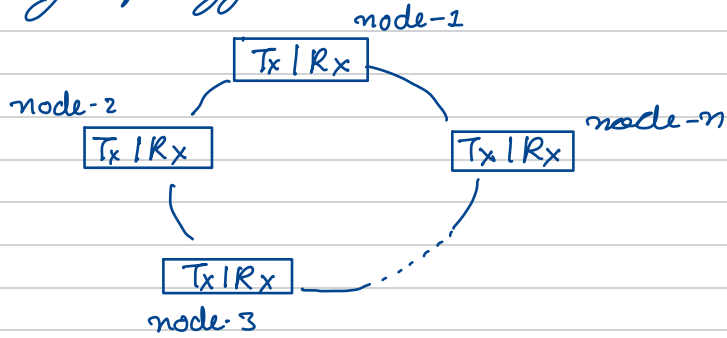
For QKD $\Rightarrow$ entangled
pair of photons at the central node get distributed
to Alice - Bob (end to end)

MDI-QKD

measurement device independent QKD: states are
prepared at the end node and transmitted
to the central node for measurement.

measurement outcomes are known. who
transmitted what is not known. that guarantees
security.

Ring Topology



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RAS protocol



Eg. Bank
e-commerce site

Individual

Public key distributed
to the individual
Encrypted message gets
sent to the bank.

$\Rightarrow$ Bank can decode the
message with a
private key

(Public and Private key)

Computational complexity $\rightarrow$ guarantees security for
public key cryptography.

$\Rightarrow O(e^N)$ $\rightarrow$ no. of digits which
makes up $n = p \times q$

$$E(M) = M^e \pmod{n}$$

$$D(E(M)) = E(M)^d \pmod{n}$$

* Quantum Key distribution

- its based on principle of QM with rigorous security proof to guarantee security

* Qubit states

For eg:- H and V pol of photon in a single mode

* Entangled photon

Consider two modes a & b, $|0\rangle_a |1\rangle_a$ & $|0\rangle_b |1\rangle_b$

suppose $\Rightarrow |\Psi\rangle_{ab} = \frac{|0_a 0_b\rangle + |1_a 1_b\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$ (just one set)

* Polarization states used to encode quantum information

$\{ |H\rangle, |V\rangle \}$ $\rightarrow$ Rectilinear Basis
 $\{ |D\rangle, |A\rangle \}$ $\rightarrow$ diagonal Basis
 $\{ |L\rangle, |R\rangle \}$ $\rightarrow$ circular Basis

Pol. basis sets which are not orthogonal to other set.

$\rightarrow$ diagonal
 $|D\rangle = \frac{|H\rangle + |V\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$
 $\rightarrow$ Antidiagonal
 $|A\rangle = \frac{|H\rangle - |V\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$

$|L\rangle = \frac{|H\rangle + i|V\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$

$\rightarrow$ left circular

$|R\rangle = \frac{|H\rangle - i|V\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$

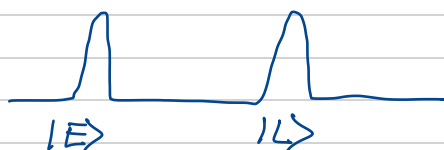
$\rightarrow$ Right circular

wavelength is a degree of freedom:

$\{ |1\rangle_\lambda, |0\rangle_\lambda \}$

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optical pulse in time can be used to encode quantum states:



$\xrightarrow{\text{Early}}$
 $\xrightarrow{\text{Late}}$
 $\{ |E\rangle, |L\rangle \}$

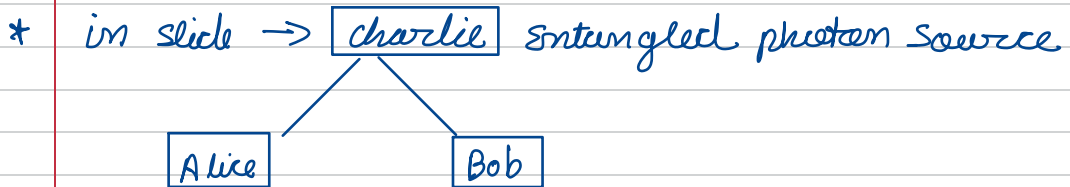
$\{ \alpha |E\rangle, \beta e^{i\theta} |L\rangle \}$

$\rightarrow$ 90° or 270° phase delay (might)

- when we do this in time we call it Time-bin encoding $\rightarrow$ suitable for multi dimensional encoding
- Encoding in special modes of fiber or free space

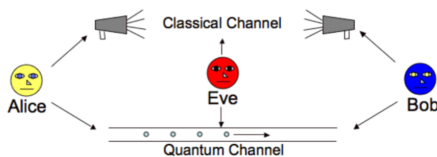
$$\{ |M_1\rangle, |M_2\rangle, \dots, |M_n\rangle \}$$

- orbital angular momentum states are also used for multi-dimensional encoding



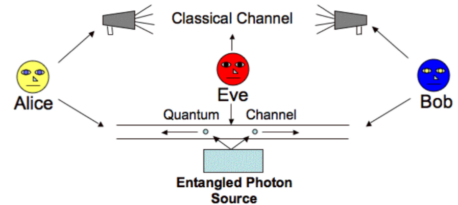
Quantum Communication System - Classification

Prepare and Measure Schemes



- Alice prepares states and sends this to Bob who does the measurement
- Forward or reverse reconciliation (to come up with a common key)
- Eve attempts to tap into the communication to gain some/ all the information
- During post-processing the extent of Eavesdropping is estimated to key or reject the block of communication
- Example: BB84, COW, T12 etc.

Entanglement Distribution Schemes



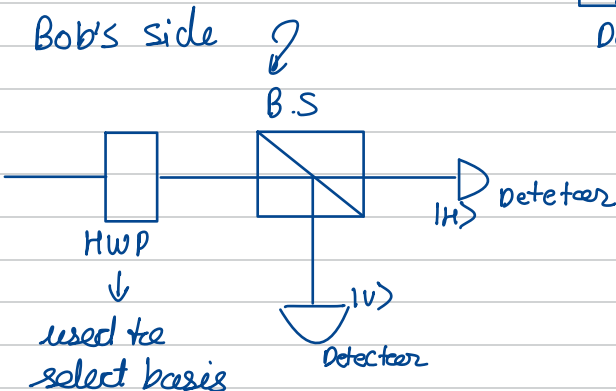
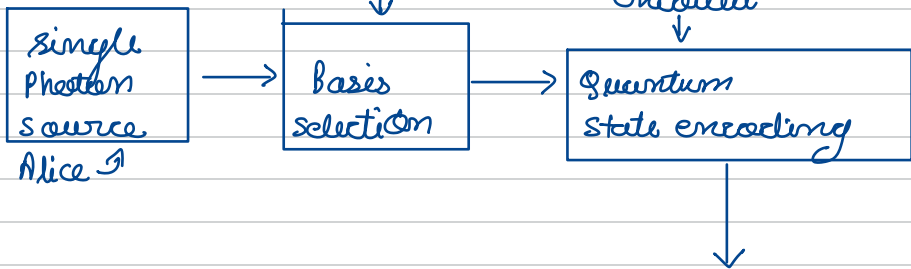
- A central party (can be Eve as well) generates entangled pairs of photons
- Entangled photons distributed to Alice and Bob
- Based on their measurement they know what the other persons state is
- During post-processing the strength of entanglement is estimated using suitable metric (e.g. CHSH inequality)
- Amenable to repeaters, entanglement swapping etc. $\rightarrow$ future quantum internet
- Example: E91, BBM92 etc.

Consider an entangled photon source at the central node.

$$|\psi_{ab}^+\rangle = \frac{|0_a 0_b\rangle + |1_a 1_b\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Z basis $\{|H\rangle, |V\rangle\}$

X basis $\{|D\rangle, |A\rangle\}$



* Original BBS4 protocol proposed the use of:-

- ideal single photon source
- ideal basis/quantum states encodes
ideal basis decodes

- ideal single photon electron



in reality the above components end up being reconsidered

↳ implementation assumption made

↳ This opened side channel for attacks

Note

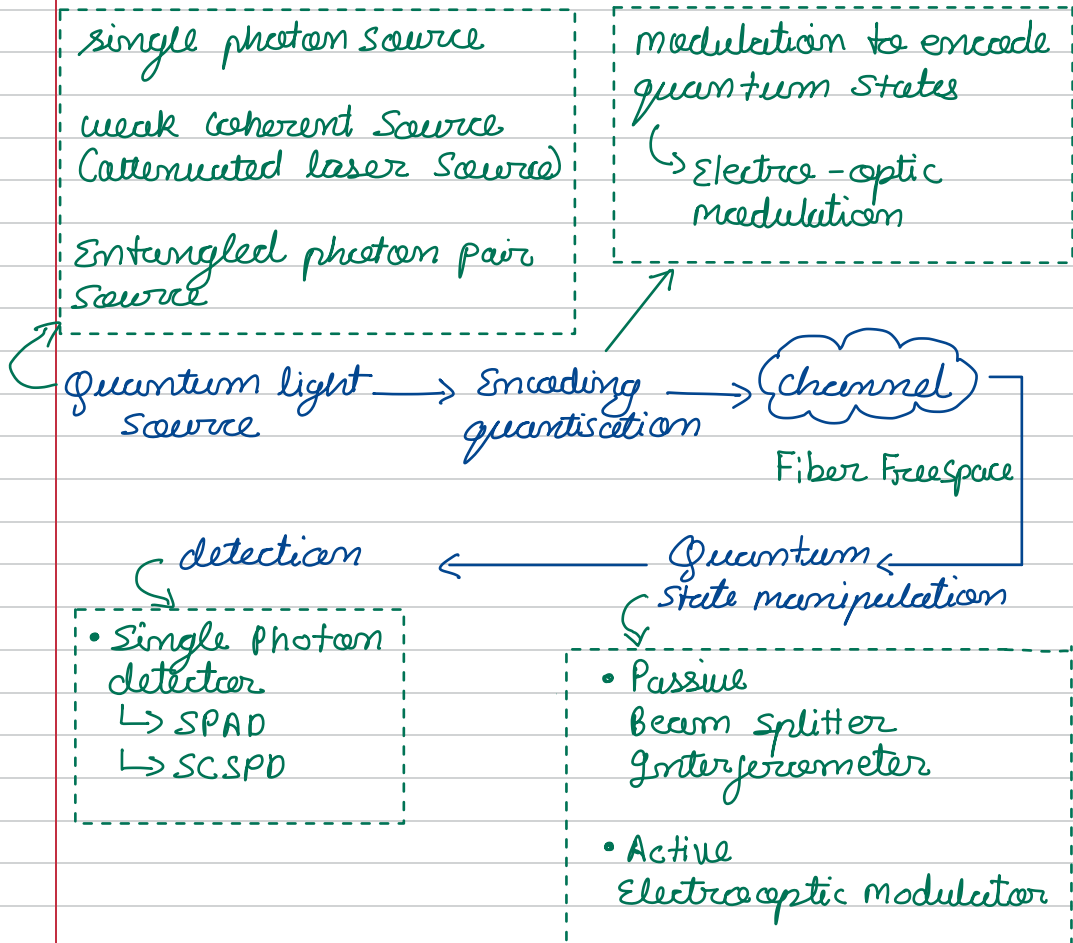
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Private key's are as long as the message

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make up lec on 10th - 10 AM



* Also Note :- laser is not a single photon source even when we attenuate it gives poisson's distribution.

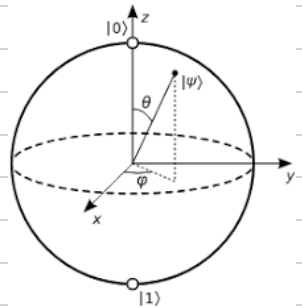
Represent quantum states in Bloch Sphere

$$|0\rangle, |1\rangle$$

$$X: \left\{ \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right\}$$

$$Y: \left\{ \frac{|0\rangle + i|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{|0\rangle - i|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right\}$$

$$|\psi\rangle = \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) |0\rangle + e^{i\phi} \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) |1\rangle$$



$|0\rangle$ and $|1\rangle$ in light can represent polarisation and time. (one of the most imp)

Single Photon Source

(1)

(Ref:- Q optic mock Fox ch-5)



Source which emits deterministically one photon per every excitation

laser is not a single photon state even if we attenuate

If we can restrict dos (density of state) available through an impulse junction then only state is available for excitation the population (e^- /atom) and emit one photon

⇒ eg Quantum dots, Diamond-Nitrogen Vacancy center monolayer of 2D material

- in bulk there are so many state but if we restrict them we can get.

- often single photon emission is studied at low temp

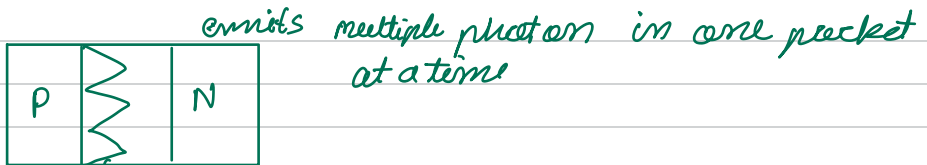
How do you represent these states?

Single photon states more generally are represented as Fock states (photon state $\Rightarrow |n\rangle$)

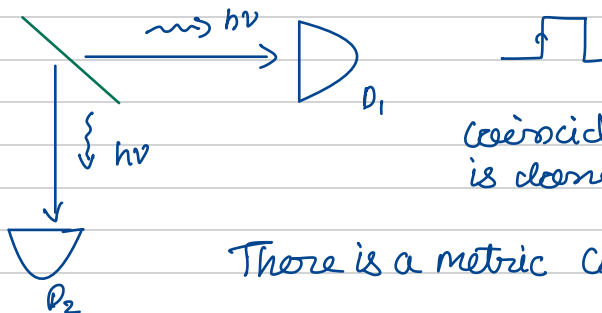
$|0\rangle \Rightarrow$ Vacuum state

$|1\rangle \Rightarrow$ single photon state

$|2\rangle \Rightarrow$ two photon state



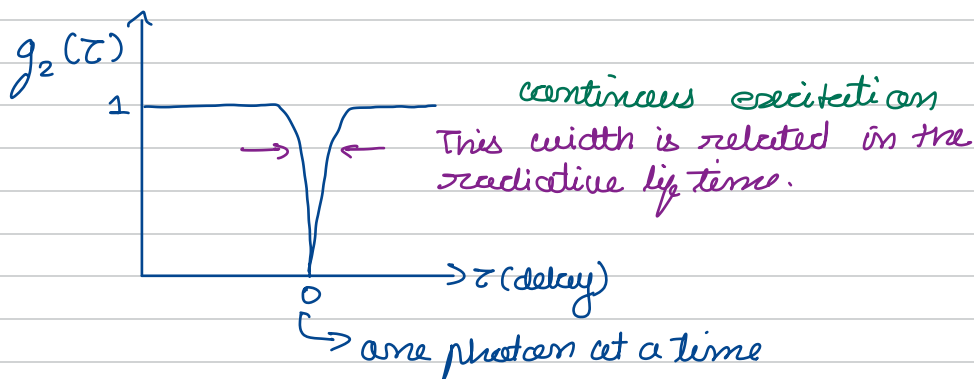
$\Rightarrow$ Q.D in active region of PN Junction.
(quality depends on the homogeneity and heterogeneity of the PN Junction)



There is a metric called g_2 .

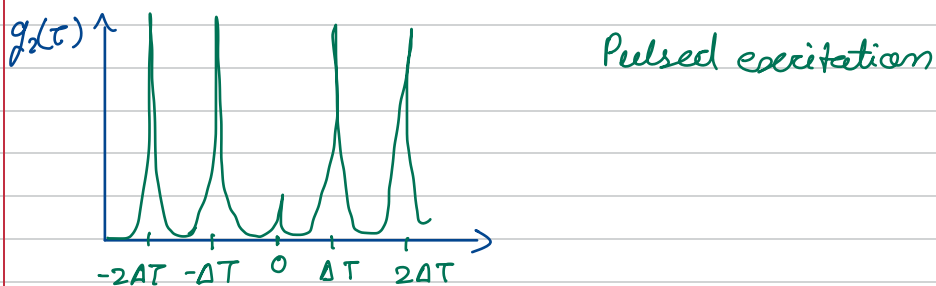
$$g_2(\tau) = \frac{\langle n_1(t) n_2(t-\tau) \rangle}{\langle n_1(t) \rangle \langle n_2(t-\tau) \rangle}$$





$g_2(0)$ should be as close to zero for a good single photon source

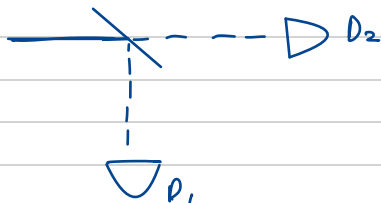
other, $g_2(0) < 0.5$ has single photon properties.



Popular example of this (SPE) is Random photon generators.

$$|\psi_{12}\rangle = \frac{|1, 0_2\rangle + |0, 1_2\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Path entangled single photon state.



(2) Entangled Photon pair sources:

A multipartite state is said to be entangled if it cannot be factorized into its individual states

Bipartite entangled states between mode-1 & mode-2.

Bell states

$$|\phi^\pm\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle \pm |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$
$$|\psi^\pm\rangle = \frac{|01\rangle \pm |10\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

If there is 50% of measuring the 1st port and 50% chance of the 2nd port these are maximally entangled state

* Consider a bipartite system made of:

$$\{|0\rangle_1, |1\rangle_1\} \quad \& \quad \{|0\rangle_2, |1\rangle_2\}$$

any general state of the bipartite states can be written as:

$$(a_1|0\rangle + b_1|1\rangle) \otimes (a_2|0\rangle_2 + b_2|1\rangle_2)$$

$$= a_1 a_2 |0, 0\rangle + b_1 b_2 |1, 1\rangle + a_1 b_2 |0, 1\rangle + a_2 b_1 |1, 0\rangle$$

consider: $|\phi^+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0, 0\rangle + |1, 1\rangle)$

for $|\phi^+\rangle$ to be a general state of modes 1 & 2:

$$a_1 a_2 = 1/\sqrt{2}$$

$$b_1 b_2 = 1/\sqrt{2}$$

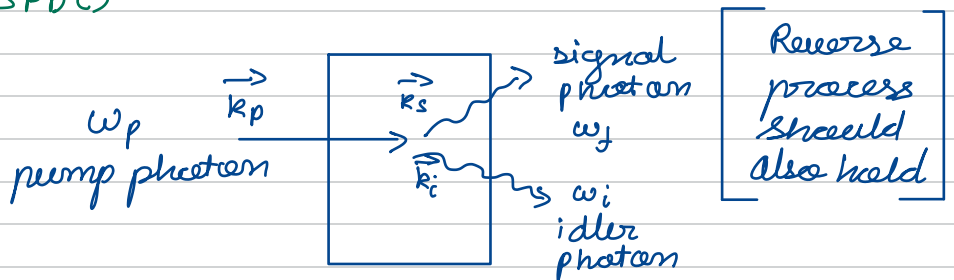
$$a_1 b_2 = 0$$

$$a_2 b_1 = 0$$

This is not satisfied for valid values of a_2, a_1, b_1, b_2 .

$\Rightarrow |\phi_+\rangle =$ cannot be separated to its individual state.

To simultaneously generate two photon with strong correlation we make use of spontaneous parametric down conversion (SPDC)



Non linear optical crystal $\rightarrow$ also consider phase correlation

vector matching

Spontaneous Splitting of one pump photon to a signal and idler photon

For particular process:

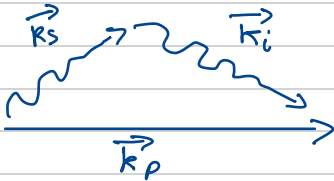
Energy conservation among the photon is required.

I)

$$\omega_p = \omega_s + \omega_i$$

II) wave vector matching or phase matching

$$\vec{k}_p = \vec{k}_s + \vec{k}_i$$



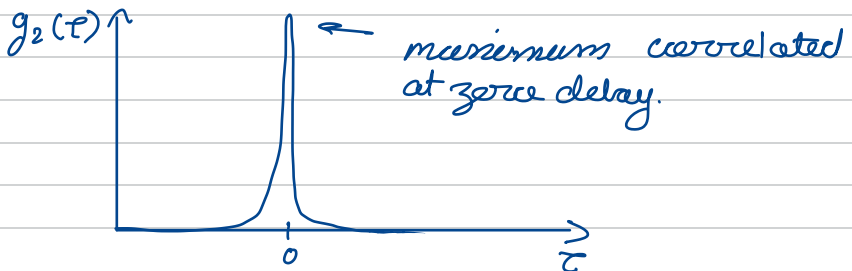
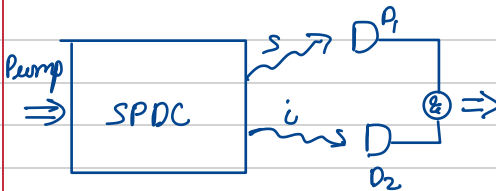
Phase matching is achieved for a combination of p, s, i such that the directions of the photon and energy of photon are well defined.

$\omega_s = \omega_i \Rightarrow$ degenerate SPDC process

$$\omega_p \rightarrow \frac{\omega_p}{2} + \frac{\omega_p}{2} \quad (\text{they are correlated in } E, t, \text{ wave vector})$$

$\omega_s \neq \omega_i \Rightarrow$ non degenerate SPDC process

The signal and idler photon are highly correlated in energy, direction (wave vector), time, polarisation (due to phase matching of the signal)



Wave vector mismatch:

$$\Delta \vec{k} = \vec{k}_p - (\vec{k}_s + \vec{k}_i)$$

$$= n_p \cdot \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_p} \hat{e}_p - n_s \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \hat{e}_s - n_i \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_i} \hat{e}_i$$

$$= 2\pi \left[\frac{n_p}{\lambda_p} \hat{e}_p - \frac{n_s}{\lambda_s} \hat{e}_s - \frac{n_i}{\lambda_i} \hat{e}_i \right]$$

Consider the co-propagation of the wave in the crystal:

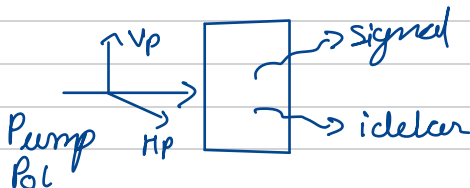
$$\Delta \vec{k} = 2\pi \hat{e}_p \left[\frac{n_p}{\lambda_p} - \frac{n_s}{\lambda_s} - \frac{n_i}{\lambda_i} \right]$$

Energy conservation require:

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_p} = \frac{1}{\lambda_s} + \frac{1}{\lambda_i}$$

Birefringence properties of the crystal are used to satisfy the phase matching condition.

To access birefringence properties of the crystal, different polarisation and crystal nature are combined.



Different Types of degenerate phase velocity

- 1) Type-I signal and idler are of the same polarisation orthogonal to pump.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} H_p \rightarrow V_s V_i \\ V_p \rightarrow H_s H_i \end{array} \right\}$$

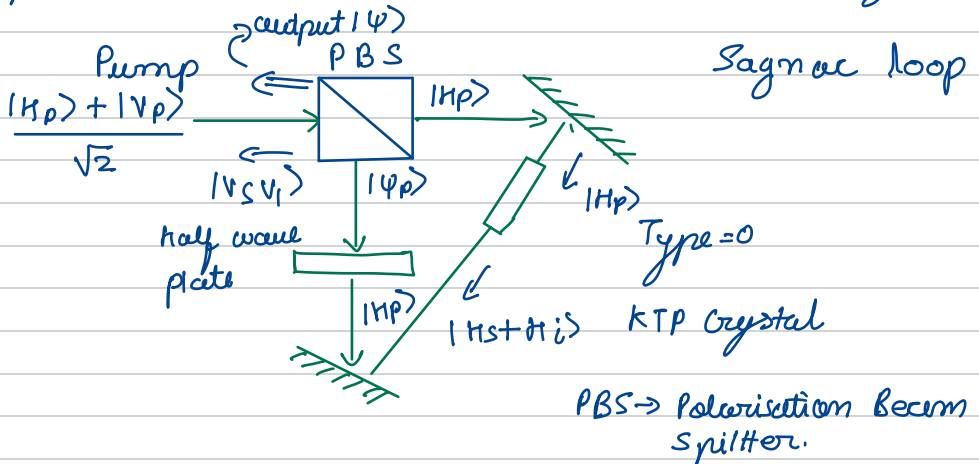
- 2) Type-II: signal and Idler are of orthogonal polarisation

$$H_p \text{ or } V_p \rightarrow H_s V_i \text{ or } V_s H_i$$

- 3) Type 0: these polarisation are identical

$$H_p \rightarrow H_s, H_i \text{ or } V_p \rightarrow V_s, V_i$$

⇒ Note: Not all types of phase matching or polarisation combinations will be satisfied.



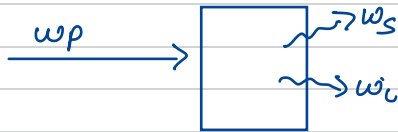
At the output (Pump input port)

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{|V_s V_i\rangle + |H_s H_i\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

check for type-I, where the out put is measured.

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Entangled Photon sources (continued)



Non linear
optical crystal

Spontaneous parametric
down conversion

(1) Energy conservation: $\omega_p = \omega_s + \omega_i$

(2) Phase matching: $\vec{k}_p = \vec{k}_s + \vec{k}_i$

(Wave vector matching)

Technique to achieve phase matching

1) Birefringent phase matching

↳ Anisotropic crystal & choose appropriate pol.

can result in beam walk off between p, s, i

2) Quasi Phase matching



$$\Delta k = k_p - k_s - k_i + \frac{2\pi}{\Lambda} = 0$$

⇒ poled domains

(PP) Periodically poled crystal to achieve phase matching

e.g.:- PP-LN
PP-KTP etc.

Crystal axes is not rotated
to achieve phase matching
w.p. ω_s, ω_i remain collinear

3) waveguide $\rightarrow$ Dispersion phase matching
e.g. LN waveguide.

Types of Phase matching

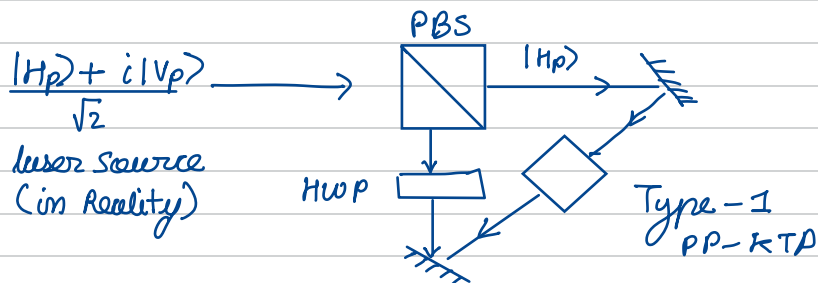
Type-0: All 3 pol. states are identical

Type-1: Pol. of the pump is orthogonal to the signal and idler.

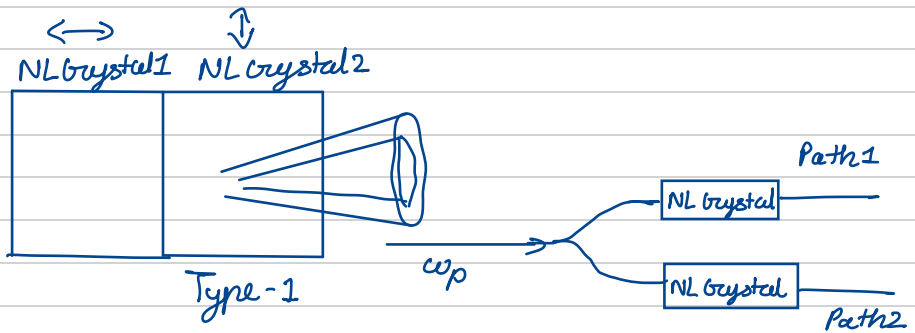
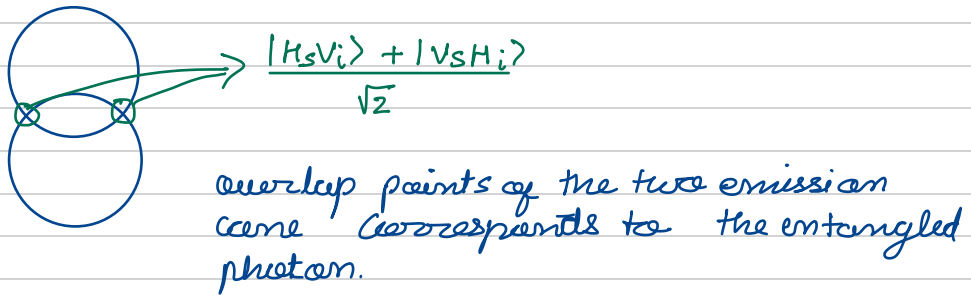
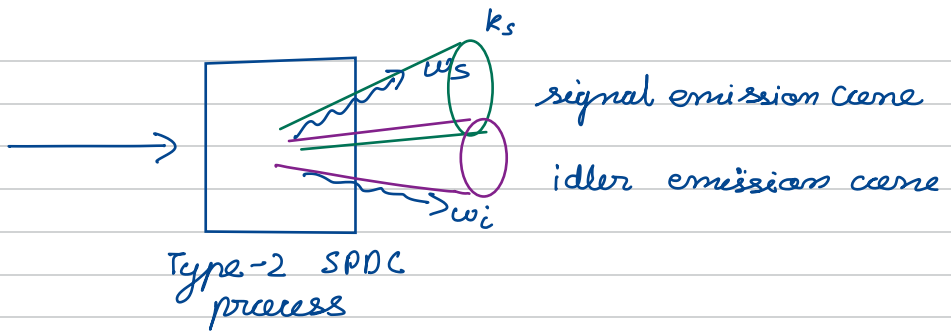
Type-2: S & i are orthogonal pol.

$$|\Phi^\pm\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [|H_s H_i\rangle \pm |V_s V_i\rangle] \Rightarrow \text{Type-0 or Type-1 SPDC process}$$

$$|\Psi^\pm\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [|H_s V_i\rangle \pm |V_s H_i\rangle] \Rightarrow \text{Type-2 SPDC process}$$



$$\frac{|H_s H_i\rangle + i|V_s V_i\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$



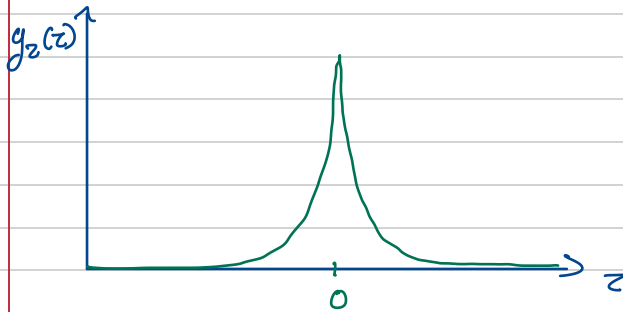
$$\frac{|10\rangle + |01\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$|1_s 1_i, 0_{s2} 0_{i2}\rangle + |0_{s1} 0_{i1}, 1_{s2} 1_{i2}\rangle$ these states could also be created.

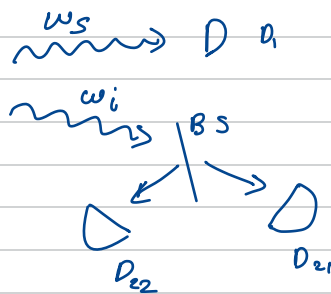
$\omega_s \rightarrow D_1$

$\omega_i \rightarrow D_2$

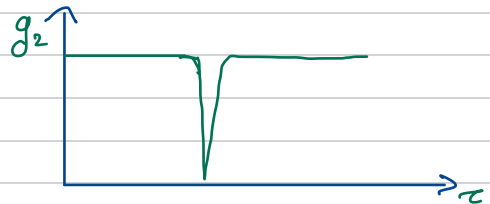
$$g_2(\tau) = \frac{\langle n_1(t) n_2(t-\tau) \rangle}{\langle n_1(t) \rangle \langle n_2(t-\tau) \rangle}$$



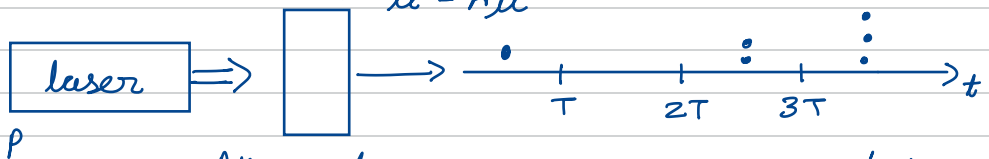
Heralded g_2 measurement



if ω_s get deflected
what are the properties
of ω_i ?



Weak coherent states / 10^6 photon $\rightarrow$ 60 dB $\rightarrow$ 1 photon
 $\mu' = A\mu$



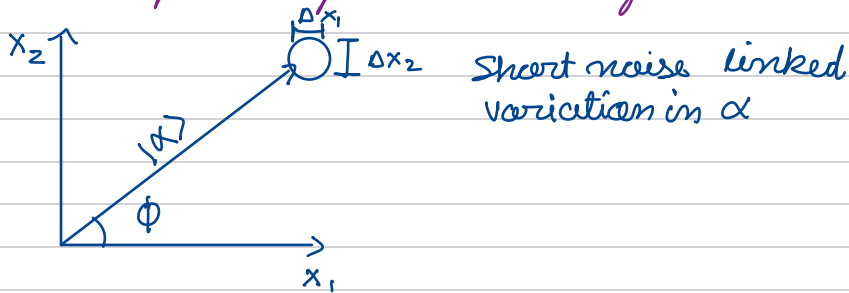
Attenuator reduce mean photon
on an average get 1 or < 1 photon per measurement time window

$$\mu = \frac{P}{h\nu}$$

* Laser source are modelled as coherent states is Quantum optics.

$|\alpha\rangle \equiv$ classical picture $|\alpha|e^{i\phi}$
in quadrature $\Rightarrow x_1 + ix_2$

Phase Space representation of $\alpha = x_1 + ix_2$

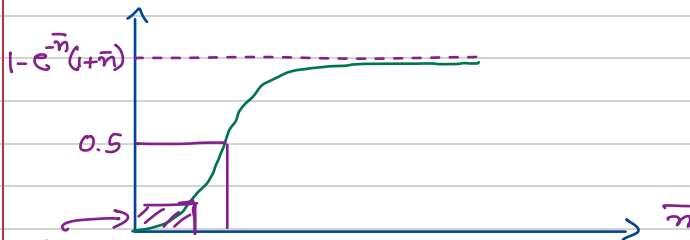
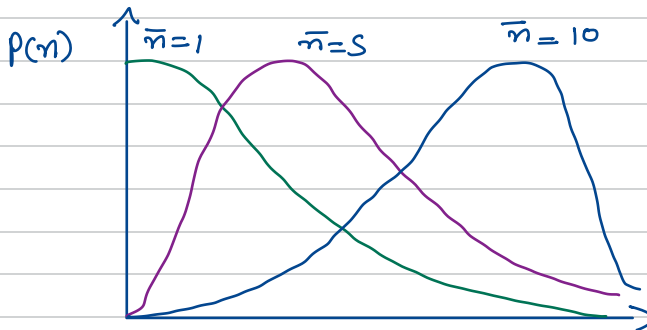


distribution of photon follows Poisson distribution.

$$P(n) = \frac{e^{-\bar{n}} \bar{n}^n}{n!}, \quad \bar{n} \text{ is mean no. of photon}$$

Probability of having ≥ 1 photon

$$= 1 - P(0) - P(1) = 1 - e^{-\bar{n}} - e^{-\bar{n}} \bar{n} = 1 - e^{-\bar{n}} (1 + \bar{n})$$



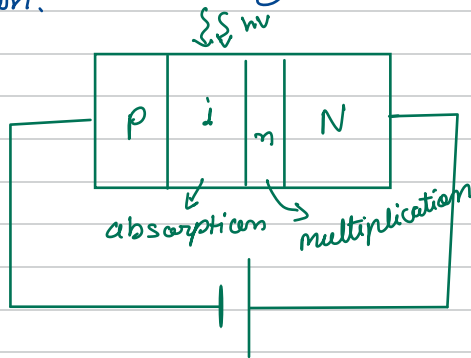
multiphoton events are rare here

Search:-
Squeezed
States

- Multiphoton events result in photon no. splitting attacks.

Single Photon detector

- * SPAD $\Rightarrow$ Semiconductor photo diode which work on the principle of Avalanche multiplication
- * SNSPD $\Rightarrow$ Any detector with built in gain is suitable for making suitable single photon detection.



input ionisation



The diagram shows an incident electron (e^-) moving horizontally from left to right, indicated by an arrow. It strikes a diagonal line representing a surface. At the point of impact, a vertical arrow points downwards, and another electron (e^-) is shown moving horizontally to the right, also indicated by an arrow. This represents the ionisation of the material by the incident electron.

avalanche process
(multiplication
process)

- e^- as they drift under the influence of the applied reverse bias they avalanche due to the large E-field at reverse bias.
- Impact ionization results in $\Rightarrow 1e^- \rightarrow 2e^-$
1 hole

To keep the multiplication process under control 1 carrier (e^- hole) is preferentially multiplied.



hood Avalanche electrons are chosen for single photon detection applications.

After Pulsing

Unwanted Pulses of current detected after the photon detection has happened.

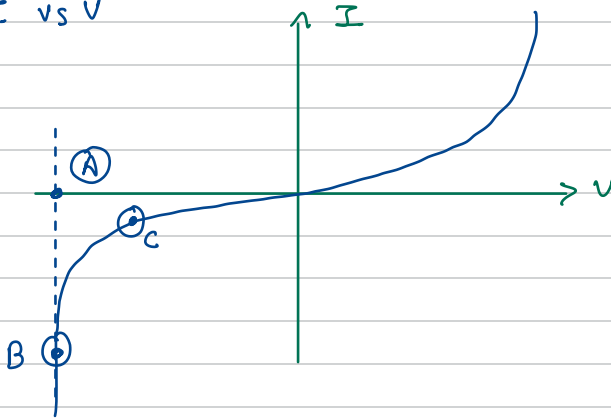
(Creates echo kind of signal) $\Downarrow$

The way this is prevented, in the circuit a latching mechanism dis-arm the detector

$\Downarrow$
The time for this is called the dead time.

★

I vs V



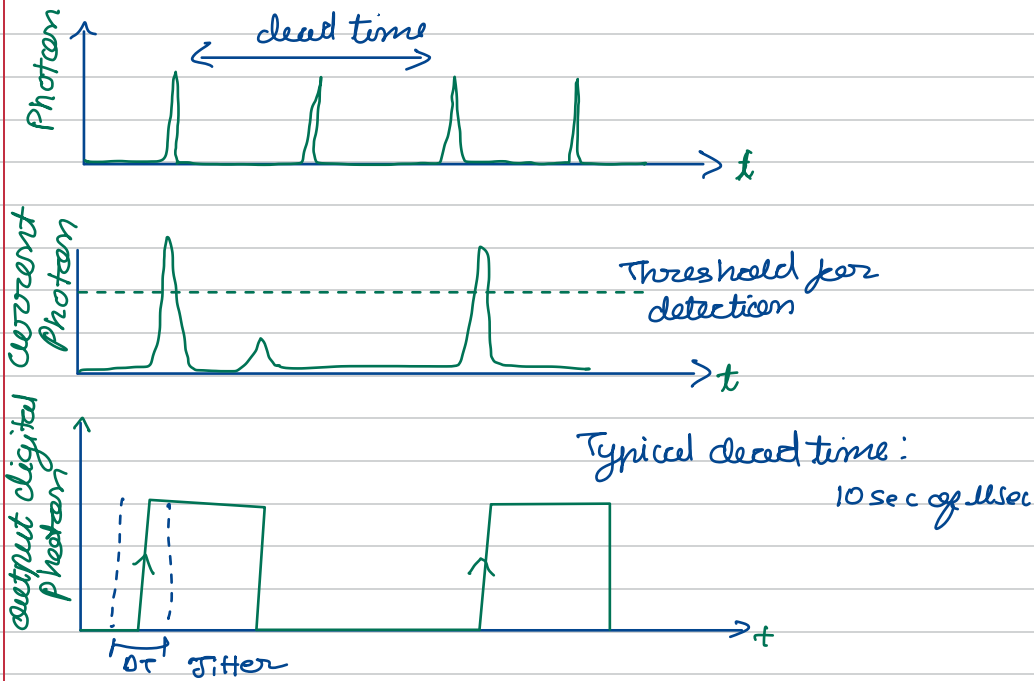
A $\rightarrow$ bias pt of the detector

B $\rightarrow$ pt. where current pulse is detected

C $\rightarrow$ latching pt to turn off the multiplication

Other than light there can be multiplication of thermally excited carriers (dark current)

Geiger Counting Mode



TDC (Time to digital counter)

1 photon $\xrightarrow{?}$ $1 e^-/\text{hole pair}$

efficiency of the detector (η)



Equivalent to the probability of detection.

For SPADs:

- ★ Si-SPAD (400-1000 nm wavelength)
 $\eta > 50\%$

* InGaAs SPADs (800-2000nm wavelength)

$\eta \approx 10-30\%$

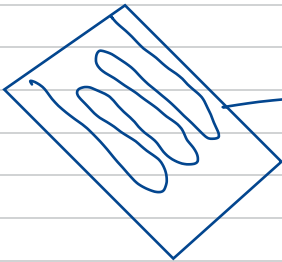
* Jitter 50-200 psec

↳ large jitter $\rightarrow$ problem

Superconducting nanowire (SPD):

The state of the detector is changed from superconducting to insulating with incident photon

(Transition edge sensor are variants of SNSPD)



- Meandering nanowire of superconducting material

- NbN NbTiN WSi MeSi
Typical Temp $\approx 10K$

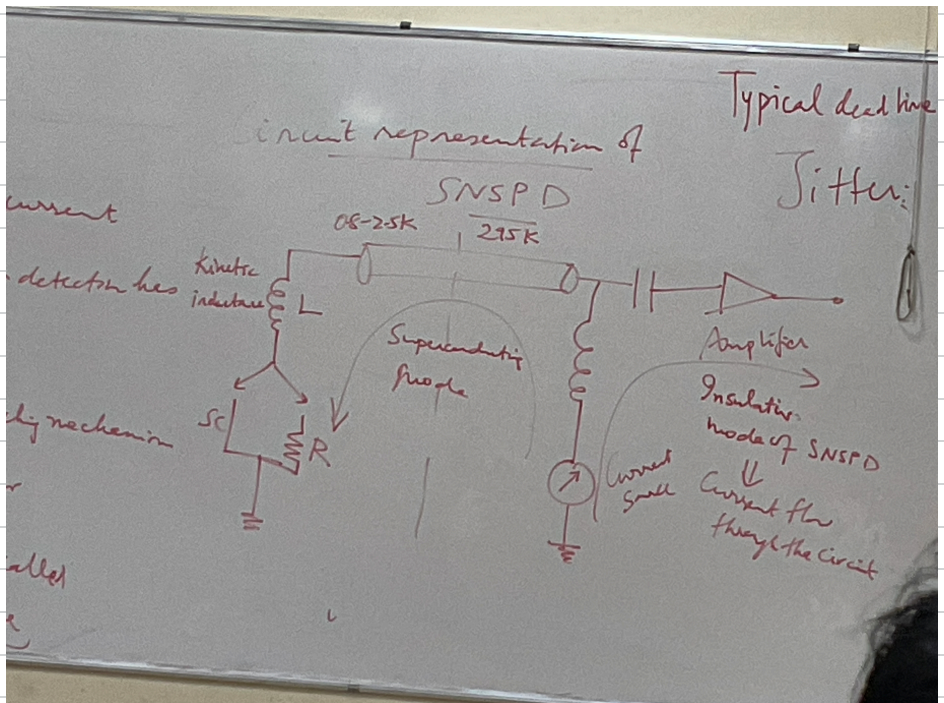
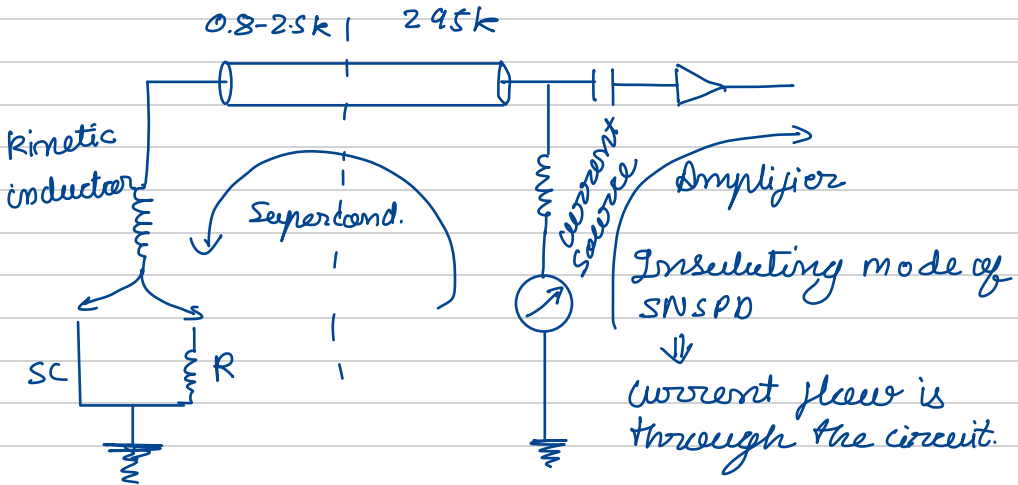
- Operating temp of SNSPD:

0.8 to 2K

Incident photon break the Cooper pair there by disrupting the superconductivity.

After a finite time the SNSPD gets back to superconducting state.

Circuit representation of SNSPD

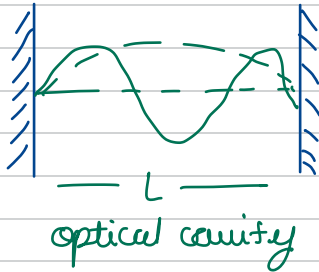


Some Typical performance metrics of

1. High efficiency ($>90\%$)
2. Low dark counts (1-100 counts)
3. Jitter ($<10\text{ps}$)
4. Short dead time (40-100 ns)
5. wide wavelength operation (visible/near IR/mid IR)

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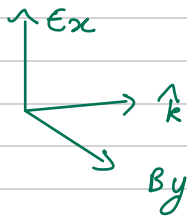
Reference (line to line) - Georzy and Knight
chp-2



$$\omega_m = c \frac{m\pi}{L}$$

↓
Resonant frequency

Consider TEM plane wave coupled into



$$E_x(z, t) = \left(\frac{2\omega^2}{v\epsilon_0} \right) q(t) \sin(kz)$$

$\omega \rightarrow$ freq,

$v \rightarrow$ volume of cavity

$\epsilon_0 \rightarrow$ free space permocibility

making use of $\nabla \times B = \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial E}{\partial t}$ substituting E_y in the RHS and solving $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ for B

$$B_y = \left(\frac{2\omega^2}{v\epsilon_0} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}{k} \right) \dot{q}(t) \cos(kz)$$

$q(t) \rightarrow$ This is equivalent to the position variable in a harmonic OSC.

Total energy of the TEM wave = Energy stored in E field

+ Energy in B field

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \int dV \left[\epsilon_0 E^2(r, t) + \frac{1}{\mu_0} B^2(r, t) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int dV \left[\epsilon_0 E_x^2(z, t) + \frac{1}{\mu_0} B_y^2(z, t) \right]$$

$$H = \frac{1}{2} (p^2 + \omega^2 q^2)$$

Replacing measurable variable by operators

$$\hat{E}_x = \left(\frac{2\omega^2}{V\epsilon_0} \right)^{1/2} \hat{q} \sin(kz)$$

$$\hat{B}_y = \left(\frac{2\omega^2}{V\epsilon_0} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}{k} \right) \hat{p} \cos kz$$

$$[\hat{q}, \hat{p}] = i\hbar$$

$$\hat{H} = \frac{1}{2} [\omega^2 \hat{q}^2 + \hat{p}^2]$$

$$\hat{H}|\psi\rangle = E|\psi\rangle$$

Dirac's formalism of the ladder operators

$$\hat{a} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\hbar\omega}} (\omega\hat{q} + i\hat{p}) \quad \hat{q} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2\omega}} (\hat{a} + \hat{a}^\dagger)$$

$$\hat{a}^\dagger = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\hbar\omega}} (\omega\hat{q} - i\hat{p}) \quad \hat{p} = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\hbar\omega} (\hat{a} - \hat{a}^\dagger)$$

$$\hat{E}_x = E_0 (\hat{a} + \hat{a}^+) \sin kz \quad E_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar \omega}{\epsilon_0 V}}$$

$$\hat{B}_y = \frac{B_0}{i} (\hat{a} - \hat{a}^+) \cos kz \quad B_0 = \frac{\mu_0}{k} \sqrt{\epsilon_0 \hbar \omega^3 V}$$

the electric field comp.
corresponds to 1
photon energy

magnetic field
amplitude correspond
to 1 photon energy

$$\hat{H} = \hbar \omega \left(\hat{a}^+ \hat{a} + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$[\hat{q}, \hat{p}] = i\hbar \Rightarrow [\hat{a}, \hat{a}^+] = 1$$

$$\left[\sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2\omega}} (\hat{a} + \hat{a}^+), \frac{1}{i} (\hat{a} - \hat{a}^+) \right] = i\hbar$$

$$\frac{1}{2i} \left[\overset{=0}{[\hat{a}, \hat{a}]} - [\hat{a}^+ \hat{a}^+] - [\hat{a} \hat{a}^+] + [\hat{a}^+ \hat{a}] \right] = i$$

$$\hat{H} |\psi\rangle = E |\psi\rangle$$

$\hat{H} |n\rangle = E_n |n\rangle \Rightarrow$ energy eigenvalue equation in terms of the eigenvalue E_n and eigenfunction $|n\rangle$.

$$\hbar \omega \underbrace{(\hat{a}^+ \hat{a} + \frac{1}{2})}_{\text{number operator}} |n\rangle = E_n |n\rangle$$

$\hat{N} = \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} \Rightarrow$ No. of photons in the state

$$\langle n | \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} | n \rangle = n$$

$$\langle n | H | n \rangle = \hbar \omega (n + 1/2)$$



Heisenberg Equation: $\frac{d}{dt} \hat{O} = \frac{i}{\hbar} [\hat{H}, \hat{O}]$

For $\hat{a}$: $\frac{d}{dt} \hat{a} = \frac{i}{\hbar} [\hbar \omega (\hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} + 1/2), \hat{a}]$

$$= \frac{i \hbar \omega}{\hbar} [\hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a}, \hat{a}]$$

$$= -i \omega \hat{a}$$

$$\hat{a}(t) = \hat{a}(0) e^{-i \omega t} \quad \text{similarly ; } \hat{a}^\dagger(t) = \hat{a}^\dagger(0) e^{i \omega t}$$

$$\hat{E}_x(z, t) = E_0 (\hat{a}^+ e^{i\omega t} + \hat{a} e^{-i\omega t}) \sin kz$$

$$\hat{H}|n\rangle = E_n |n\rangle$$

$$\hbar\omega (\hat{a}^+ \hat{a} + 1/2) |n\rangle = E_n |n\rangle$$

applying $\hat{a}$ to both side

$$[\hat{a}, \hat{a}^+] = 1$$

$$\hbar\omega (\hat{a} \hat{a}^+ \hat{a} + \frac{\hat{a}}{2}) |n\rangle = E_n \hat{a} |n\rangle$$

$$\hbar\omega (\hat{a} \hat{a}^+ + \frac{1}{2}) \hat{a} |n\rangle = E_n \hat{a} |n\rangle$$

$$\hbar\omega (1 + \hat{a}^+ \hat{a} + 1/2) \hat{a} |n\rangle = E_n \hat{a} |n\rangle$$

$$(\hat{a}^+ \hat{a} + 1/2) \hat{a} |n\rangle = (E_n - \hbar\omega) \hat{a} |n\rangle$$

The energy for $\hat{a} |n\rangle$ state is $E_n - \hbar\omega$
 $\rightarrow$ annihilation operator.

$\hat{a}^+ |n\rangle$ state is at energy $E_n + \hbar\omega$
 $\rightarrow$ creation operator.

$$\hat{a} |n\rangle = (n-1) |n-1\rangle$$

$$\langle n | \hat{a}^+ \hat{a} | n \rangle = \langle n-1 | C_{n-1}^* \langle n-1 | n-1 \rangle \Rightarrow \hat{a} | n \rangle = \sqrt{n} | n-1 \rangle$$

$$n = 1 (n-1)^2 \cdot 1$$

$$C_{n-1} = \sqrt{n}$$

similarly $\hat{a}^+ |n\rangle = \sqrt{n+1} |n+1\rangle$

$$\hat{a}^+ |0\rangle = \sqrt{1} |1\rangle$$

$$\hat{a}^{+2} |0\rangle = \sqrt{1} \sqrt{2} |2\rangle$$

$$\hat{a}^{+n} |0\rangle = \sqrt{n!} |n\rangle$$

$$|n\rangle = \frac{\hat{a}^+ |0\rangle}{\sqrt{n!}}$$

$$\hat{a} |0\rangle = 0 \rightarrow \text{Null vector.}$$

PzD

$$\langle n-1 | a | n \rangle$$

$$\langle n+1 | \hat{a}^+ | n \rangle$$

Here N are hermitian operators $\hat{a}$ and $\hat{a}^+$ are non hermitian operators.

Photon no. state are orthogonal $\langle n | n-1 \rangle = 0$

and they form a complete set

$$\sum_n |n\rangle \langle n| = \hat{I} \quad \text{identity operator}$$

$$\hat{E}_x = E_0 (\hat{a}^+ + \hat{a}) \sin k_z \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Expected value of } \hat{E}_x \text{ \& } \hat{B}_y \\ \text{for } |n\rangle = 0 \end{array}$$

$$\langle n | \hat{E}_x | n \rangle = E_0 \sin k_z \langle n | \hat{a} + \hat{a}^+ | n \rangle$$

$$= E_0 \sin k_z \left[\underbrace{\langle n | \sqrt{n} | n-1 \rangle}_{=0} + \underbrace{\langle n | \sqrt{n+1} | n+1 \rangle}_{=0} \right]$$

$$= \langle n | n-1 \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle n | \hat{B}_y | n \rangle = 0$$

$$\hat{E}_x(z, t) = E_0 (\hat{a}^+ e^{i\omega t} + \hat{a} e^{-i\omega t}) \sin k_z$$

Expected value for E_x^2 & $\hat{B}_y^2$

$$\langle n | \hat{E}_x^2 | n \rangle$$

$$= E_0^2 \sin^2 k_z (\langle n | \hat{a} \hat{a} + \hat{a}^+ \hat{a}^+ + \hat{a} \hat{a}^+ + \hat{a}^+ \hat{a} | n \rangle)$$

$$= E_0^2 \sin^2 k_z [1 + 2n]$$

Variance in $\hat{E}_x$:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Delta E_x \rangle^2 &= \langle n | \hat{E}_x^2 | n \rangle - \langle n | \hat{E}_x | n \rangle^2 \\ &= E_0^2 \sin^2 k_z (1 + 2n) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{std. dev} = E_0 \sin k_z (1 + 2n)^{1/2}$$

Heisenberg Uncertainty Principle

consider two operators which do not commute

$$[\hat{A}, \hat{B}] = \hat{C}$$

Product of the stand dev in the measurement of $\hat{A}$ and $\hat{B}$ are lower bound as follows

$$\Delta A \Delta B \geq \frac{1}{2} | \langle \hat{C} \rangle | \quad (\text{look up the proof!!})$$

what is the product of ΔE_x & ΔN ?

$$\begin{aligned} [\hat{E}_x, \hat{N}] &= E_0 \sin k_z [\hat{a} + \hat{a}^\dagger, \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a}] \\ &= E_0 \sin k_z ([\hat{a}, \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a}] + [\hat{a}^\dagger, \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a}]) \\ &= E_0 \sin k_z (\hat{a} - \hat{a}^\dagger) \equiv \hat{C} \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle \hat{C} \rangle = \langle n | E_0 \sin k_z (\hat{a} - \hat{a}^\dagger) | n \rangle = 0$$

$\Delta E_x \cdot \Delta N \geq 0$ for number state

minimum uncertainty in simultaneous measurement of

$$\hat{E}_x \text{ \& \& } \hat{N} = 0$$

$$\langle \hat{C} \rangle = \langle \psi | \hat{C} | \psi \rangle$$

$$\Delta E_x \cdot \Delta N \geq \frac{1}{2} |\langle \psi | \hat{C} | \psi \rangle|$$

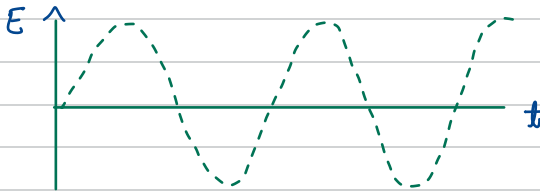
★ This non zero error is related to simultaneous measurement of wave and particle property

$$\star \Delta m \cdot \Delta \phi \geq 1$$

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Quantum Optics (continued.)

Quadrature Operators



$$E = x_1 \cos \omega t + x_2 \sin \omega t$$

$\downarrow$ $\downarrow$
 in phase quadrature phase

Coherent Communication
Tx & detection

$$\hat{E}_x = E_0 (\hat{a} + \hat{a}^+) \sin kz$$

$$\hat{a}(t) = \hat{a}(0) e^{-i\omega t}$$

$$\hat{a}^+(t) = \hat{a}^+(0) e^{i\omega t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{E}_x(t) &= E_0 (\hat{a}(0) e^{-i\omega t} + \hat{a}^+(0) e^{i\omega t}) \sin kz \\ &= E_0 (\hat{a} (\cos \omega t - i \sin \omega t) + \hat{a}^+ (\cos \omega t + i \sin \omega t)) \sin kz \\ &= E_0 \left(2 \cos \omega t \left(\frac{\hat{a} + \hat{a}^+}{2} \right) + \frac{2}{i} \sin \omega t \left(\frac{\hat{a} - \hat{a}^+}{2} \right) \right) \sin kz \end{aligned}$$

Quadrature operators : $\hat{x}_1 = \frac{\hat{a} + \hat{a}^+}{2}$

$$\hat{x}_2 = \frac{\hat{a} - \hat{a}^+}{2}$$

$$E_x(t) = 2 E_0 (\hat{x}_1 \cos \omega t + \hat{x}_2 \sin \omega t) \sin kz \leftarrow$$

Find the expectation value for $\hat{X}_1$ & $\hat{X}_2$ number state $|n\rangle$

$$\langle n | \hat{X}_1 | n \rangle = \langle n | \frac{\hat{a} + \hat{a}^\dagger}{2} | n \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle n | \hat{X}_2 | n \rangle = 0$$

find $\langle n | \hat{X}_1 | n \rangle$ & $\langle n | \hat{X}_2 | n \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} \hookrightarrow &= \frac{1}{4} \langle n | \hat{a}^2 + \hat{a}^{\dagger 2} + \hat{a} \hat{a}^\dagger + \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} | n \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \langle n | 1 + 2\hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} | n \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{4} [2n+1] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle n | \hat{X}_2^2 | n \rangle &= \frac{-1}{4} \langle n | \hat{a}^{\dagger 2} + \hat{a}^2 - \hat{a} \hat{a}^\dagger - \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} | n \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{4} (2n+1) \end{aligned}$$

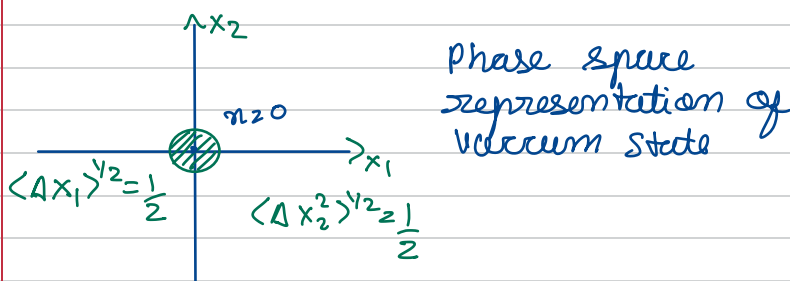
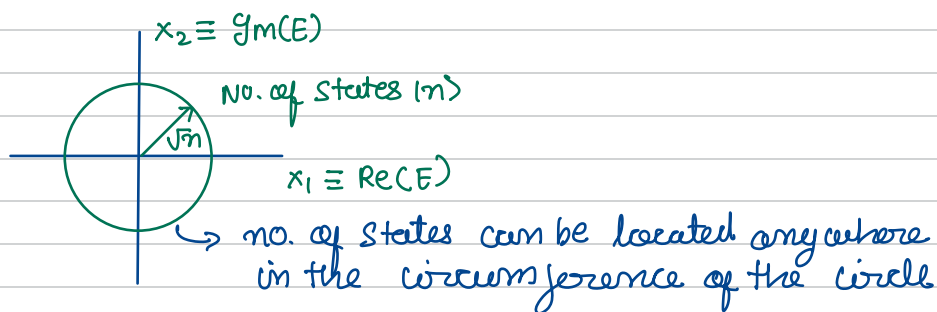
Variance of the quadrature operators

$$\langle \Delta \hat{X}_1^2 \rangle = \langle n | \hat{X}_1^2 | n \rangle - (\langle n | \hat{X}_1 | n \rangle)^2 = \frac{1}{4} (2n+1)$$

$$\langle \Delta \hat{X}_2^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{4} (2n+1)$$

For Vacuum state we get min value of variance for $\hat{X}_1$ & $\hat{X}_2$ minimum uncertainty state.

Phase Space representation of the number States



These pictures are qualitative in nature, good for visualization of noise and the location of the state

As quadrature states have no classical analogy this should not be taken too literally.

Coherent states

States which give the most sensible representation of classical states (laser source)

↳ Representation of the electric field evolving in space and time

$$E(z, t) = E_0 \cos(\omega t - kz)$$

Expectation values is a non zero quantity.

↳ Noise limited by shot-noise

↳ calculated the uncertainty for $\hat{x}_1$ & $\hat{x}_2$.

$$|\psi\rangle = |n\rangle \Rightarrow E(\hat{E}_x) = E(\hat{x}_1) = E(\hat{x}_2) = 0$$

$$|\psi\rangle = c_n |n\rangle + c_{n+1} |n+1\rangle$$

$$\text{ensures } E(\hat{E}_x) \neq 0$$

$$|\alpha\rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n |n\rangle$$

Consider the eigenvalue equation for $\hat{a}$:

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

$\alpha \rightarrow$ Eigen Value

$|\alpha\rangle \rightarrow$ Eigen state

$$\langle\alpha|\hat{a}^\dagger = \alpha^* \langle\alpha|$$

$$\hat{a} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n |n\rangle = \alpha \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n |n\rangle$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \sqrt{n} |n-1\rangle = \alpha \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n |n\rangle$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \sqrt{n} |n-1\rangle = \alpha \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n |n\rangle \quad n-1=m$$

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} c_{m+1} \sqrt{m+1} |m\rangle = \alpha \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} c_m |m\rangle$$

$\alpha C_n = C_{n+1} \sqrt{n+1} \rightarrow$ Recursive relationship

$$C_n = \frac{\alpha C_{n-1}}{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{n}} \cdot \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{n-1}} C_{n-2} = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{n}} \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{n-1}} \dots \frac{\alpha C_0}{\sqrt{1}} = \frac{\alpha^n C_0}{\sqrt{n!}}$$

Relating C_n to C_0

$$\langle \alpha | \alpha \rangle = 1$$

$$| \alpha \rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{C_0 \alpha^n}{\sqrt{n!}} \quad \text{Note: } \alpha \text{ can be complex no.}$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{C_0^* \alpha^{*i}}{\sqrt{i!}} \dots \frac{C_0 \alpha^j}{\sqrt{j!}} \langle i | j \rangle$$

$$\langle i | j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{|C_0|^2 |\alpha|^2 i}{i!} = |C_0|^2 \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{|\alpha|^2 i}{i!} = |C_0|^2 e^{|\alpha|^2} = 1$$

$$C_0 = e^{-|\alpha|^2/2}$$

$$| \alpha \rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-|\alpha|^2/2}}{\sqrt{n!}} \alpha^n | n \rangle$$

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

$$\langle \alpha | \hat{a}^\dagger = \alpha^* \langle \alpha |$$

What is the expectation value of $\hat{E}_x$?

$$\langle \alpha | \hat{E}_x | \alpha \rangle = ? \quad \text{for propagating plane wave}$$

$$\hat{E}_x = E_0 (\hat{a} e^{-i\omega t} e^{-ikz} + \hat{a}^\dagger e^{i\omega t} e^{ikz})$$

This is slightly different from the standing wave E_x represented in the optical cavity

$$= E_0 \langle \alpha | \hat{a} e^{-i(\omega t + kz)} + \hat{a}^\dagger e^{i(\omega t + kz)} | \alpha \rangle$$

$$= E_0 [\alpha e^{-i(\omega t + kz)} + \alpha^* e^{i(\omega t + kz)}]$$

$$\alpha = |\alpha| e^{i\theta}$$

$= 2E_0 |\alpha| \cos(\omega t + kz + \theta) \Rightarrow$ non zero expectation value which is similar to classical E field evolving in space and time

$$\langle \alpha | \hat{E}_x^2 | \alpha \rangle$$

$$= E_0^2 \langle \alpha | \hat{a}^2 e^{-2i(\omega t + kz)} + \hat{a}^{\dagger 2} e^{2i(\omega t + kz)} + \hat{a} \hat{a}^\dagger + \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} | \alpha \rangle$$

$$= E_0^2 [\alpha^2 e^{-i(\omega t + kz)} + \alpha^{*2} e^{2i(\omega t + kz)} + 1 + \langle \alpha | 2\hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} | \alpha \rangle]$$

$$= E_0^2 [1 + 2|\alpha|^2 \cos(2\omega t + 2kz + 2\theta) + 2|\alpha|^2]$$

$$4|\alpha|^2 \cos^2(\omega t + kz + \theta)$$

$$\langle \Delta \hat{E}_x^2 \rangle = \langle \alpha | \hat{E}_x^2 | \alpha \rangle - \langle \alpha | \hat{E}_x | \alpha \rangle^2 = E_0^2$$

$$\langle \alpha | \hat{n} | \alpha \rangle = \langle \alpha | \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} | \alpha \rangle = |\alpha|^2 = N \rightarrow \text{Mean no. of photons}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \alpha | \hat{n} | \alpha \rangle &= \langle \alpha | \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} | \alpha \rangle = |\alpha|^2 \langle \alpha | \hat{a} \hat{a}^\dagger | \alpha \rangle \\ &= |\alpha|^2 \langle \alpha | 1 + \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} | \alpha \rangle \\ &= |\alpha|^2 [|\alpha|^2 + 1] \\ &= N[N+1] \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle \Delta \hat{N}^2 \rangle = N(N+1) - N^2 = N$$

Mean and variance are identical = N

Q what is the probability of measuring n photon for a instance of the measurement?

$$P(n) = |\langle n | \alpha \rangle|^2 = \frac{e^{-|\alpha|^2} |\alpha|^{2n}}{n!} = \frac{e^{-N} N^n}{n!}$$

which is the poisson distribution

* Signal to noise ratio (SNR)

$$\frac{\text{Mean}^2}{\text{Variance}} \sim \frac{\text{Mean}}{\text{std. dev}}$$

$$\text{SNR} = \frac{N^2}{N} = N, \quad \frac{N}{\sqrt{N}} = \sqrt{N} \Rightarrow \text{quantum limit of measurement uncertainty shot noise limited uncertainty.}$$

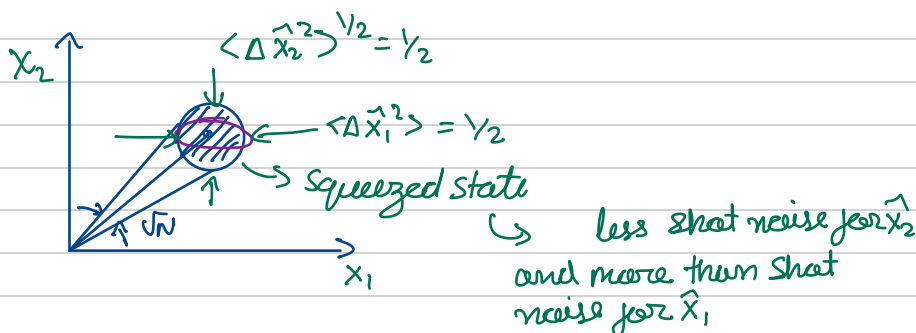
$$\text{Relative uncertainty} \quad \frac{1}{N} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}$$

Squeezed state of light achieve sub-shot noise performance.

$$\hat{X}_1 = \frac{\hat{a} + \hat{a}^\dagger}{2} \quad \hat{X}_2 = \frac{\hat{a} - \hat{a}^\dagger}{2i}$$

$$\langle \Delta \hat{X}_1^2 \rangle = 1/4, \quad \langle \Delta \hat{X}_2^2 \rangle = 1/4 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{The Variance in quadrature} \\ \text{measurement of coherent} \\ \text{States is equal to the} \\ \text{vacuum state.} \end{array} \right\}$$

Phase Space representation of coherent states



* Displacement operator $\hat{D}$

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

$$\hat{D}(\alpha) = e^{\alpha \hat{a}^\dagger - \alpha^* \hat{a}}$$

Refer to the proof in Gerry and Knight section 3.2

Phase Shifting Operator

$$\hat{U}(\theta) = e^{-i\theta \hat{N}}$$

$$\hat{U}(\theta)|n\rangle = \underbrace{e^{-i\theta \hat{N}}}_{\text{phase shift}}|n\rangle$$

expanding this exponential

$$= e^{-i\theta n}|n\rangle \Rightarrow \text{no. state gets phase shifted by } n\theta.$$

$$\hat{U}(\theta)|\alpha\rangle = |\alpha e^{i\theta}\rangle \rightarrow \text{coherent state gets phase shifted by } \theta.$$

Refer to Gerry and Knight section 3.2