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Multi-qubit entanglement

Resource for quantum information:

teleportation, telecloning, one-way quantum computing, decoherence-free communication, anyonic features, ...

Classification of entangled states:

via SLOCC (stochastic local operations and classical communication)





Classification via SLOCC

two qubits one class

•
$$|\psi^+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle + |10\rangle)$$

Bennett et al. PRA 53 (1996)



Phenomenological classification



Classification according to state specific properties, e.g.



Entangled state observation

We use ...

Photons: ideally suited for communication tasks

- negligible decoherence, easy to transmit
- simple polarization encoding of qubits

 $|\, 0\,\rangle \to |\, H\,\rangle \quad |\, 1\,\rangle \to |\, V\,\rangle$ but

• low interaction between photons

Entangled state observation:

[entanglement from] photon source

SPDC (spontaneous parametric down conversion)

+ linear optical network

(beam splitters, wave plates, phase shifters)

+ conditional detection









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What are anyons?



Performing two exchanges of two particles = rotating one particle around the other

3 spatial dimensions:



Bosons $|\Psi\rangle \rightarrow |\Psi\rangle$

Fermions |

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|\Psi
angle 
ightarrow e^{i2\pi}|\Psi
angle
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e.g. Pauli, Phys. Rev. **58** (1940)

2 spatial dimensions (e.g. quantum Hall effect):





Toric code: topological 2d system realising anyons as local excitations

- square lattice made up from s/p plaquettes
- qubits at vertices
- interaction Hamiltonian
 - $\mathcal{H} = -\sum_{p} \sigma_{p1}^{z} \sigma_{p2}^{z} \sigma_{p3}^{z} \sigma_{p4}^{z}$ $-\sum_{s} \sigma_{s1}^{x} \sigma_{s2}^{x} \sigma_{s3}^{x} \sigma_{s4}^{x}$
- gound state

$$|\xi\rangle = \prod_{s} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\mathbbm{1} + \sigma_{s1}^{x} \sigma_{s2}^{x} \sigma_{s3}^{x} \sigma_{s4}^{x}\right) |00...0\rangle$$



Kitaev, Ann. Phys. 303 (2003)

Excitations in the Toric code



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Toric code: three types of local excitations





Toric code: moving and annihilating excitations

 $\begin{array}{l} \sigma_1^x|\xi\rangle = |m\rangle \\ \text{plaquette operator} \\ \sigma_{p1}^z\sigma_{p2}^z\sigma_{p3}^z\sigma_{p4}^z \ \text{-l} \end{array}$

 $\begin{array}{l} \sigma_4^x \sigma_1^x |\xi\rangle \\ \text{plaquette operator} \\ \sigma_{p1}^z \sigma_{p2}^z \sigma_{p3}^z \sigma_{p4}^z + 1 \end{array}$

contractible loop (i.e. empty plaquette) $\sigma_1^x \sigma_4^x \sigma_3^x \sigma_2^x |\xi\rangle = |\xi\rangle$



Excitations in the Toric code



Toric code: non-contractible loop (i.e. populated plaquette)



$$|\Psi_{\rm ini}\rangle = \sigma_1^z |\xi\rangle = |e\rangle$$

 $\sigma_{1}^{x}\sigma_{4}^{x}\sigma_{3}^{x}\sigma_{2}^{x}|\Psi_{\text{ini}}\rangle$ = $-\sigma_{1}^{z}(\sigma_{1}^{x}\sigma_{4}^{x}\sigma_{3}^{x}\sigma_{2}^{x}|\xi\rangle)$ = $\Theta\Psi_{\text{ini}}\rangle$ Excitations in the Toric code



Cycling *m* around *e* yields a phase of π



m and *e* behave anyonic with respect to each other (for bosons & fermions no phase is expected)



System: lattice of a single **s** plaquette (bounded by 4 **p** plaquettes)

• ground state

$$|\xi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0_10_20_30_4\rangle + |1_11_21_31_4\rangle)$$

4 qubits in a GHZ state and local Pauli rotations on qubits simulating anyonic features



Pachos et al., quant-ph 0710.0895 (2007)



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2 pump photons convert:
$$|\psi_4\rangle_{ac} \propto \left(a_H^{\dagger}c_V^{\dagger} + a_V^{\dagger}c_H^{\dagger}\right)^2 |\text{vac}\rangle$$

= $\left(a_H^{\dagger 2}c_V^{\dagger 2} + a_V^{\dagger 2}c_H^{\dagger 2} + 2a_H^{\dagger}a_V^{\dagger}c_H^{\dagger}c_V^{\dagger}\right) |\text{vac}\rangle$







Measurement in computational basis (H/V)







Coherent superposition: correlation function



Excited state



Creating excitation e

 $|e\rangle = \sigma_1^z |\xi\rangle = 1/\sqrt{2}(|\mathsf{HHHH}\rangle - |\mathsf{VVVV}\rangle)$



 $F = 74.9 \pm 2.8 \%$ $(1.02 \pm 0.01) \cdot \pi$ Loops



Move *m* around empty plaquette





Loops



i) Generate **e**, ii) move **m** around and iii) annihilate **e** $\sigma_2^z(\sigma_1^x \sigma_2^x \sigma_3^x \sigma_4^x) \sigma_2^z |\xi\rangle = -|\xi\rangle = \bigcirc 1/\sqrt{2}(|\mathsf{HHHH}\rangle + |\mathsf{VVVV}\rangle)$





Interference procedure



i) Superposition of creating excitation **e** or not

$$(\sqrt{\sigma_4^z})^{-1}|\xi\rangle = \mathrm{e}^{-i\pi/4}(|\xi\rangle + i|e\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$$

ii) Moving *m* around

$$(\sigma_1^x \sigma_2^x \sigma_3^x \sigma_4^x)(\sqrt{\sigma_4^z})^{-1} |\xi\rangle = e^{-i\pi/4} (|\xi \bigcirc i|e\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$$

iii) Inverse of i)





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4-photon count rates: per minute

6-photon count rates: per day -> too long measurement times

More photons



UV enhancement cavity: up to 7.5W UV power



6 photon count rates: per minute !!!



Wieczorek et al., quant-ph 0903.2213 (2009)





Fidelity:

 $F = \langle D_6^{(3)} | \rho | D_6^{(3)} \rangle$ = 0.65 ± 0.02 Dicke states 6 -> 5 -> 4



Dicke state as resource for other entangled states: $|D_6^{(3)}\rangle = 1/\sqrt{20}\sum_i \prod_i (|HHHVVV\rangle)$ $P(\theta,\phi) := |\theta,\phi\rangle\langle\theta,\phi|$ $|\theta,\phi\rangle = \cos\theta |H\rangle + e^{i\phi}\sin\theta |V\rangle$ $|\Delta_5\rangle = \cos\theta |D_5^{(3)}\rangle + e^{-i\phi}\sin\theta |D_5^{(2)}\rangle$ 2 SLOCC classes: (i) $\theta = \{0, \pi/2\} \rightarrow \{|D_5^{(3)}\rangle, |D_5^{(2)}\rangle\}$ (ii) $\theta \in (0, \pi/2) \to \cos \theta | D_5^{(3)} \rangle + e^{-i\phi} \sin \theta | D_5^{(2)} \rangle$

> Wieczorek et al., Phys. Rev. A **79** (2009) Wieczorek et al., quant-ph 0903.2213 (2009)



$$|\Delta_5\rangle = \cos\theta |D_5^{(3)}\rangle + e^{-i\phi}\sin\theta |D_5^{(2)}\rangle$$



 $|GHZ_4^-\rangle = 1/\sqrt{2}(|HHHH\rangle - |VVVV\rangle)$

Summary





Four-photon entanglement

Anyonic features based on toric code

Pachos et al., quant-ph 0710.0895 (2007)

Six-photon entanglement

UV enhancement cavity 6 qubit Dicke state as resource

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