Experimental demonstration of perfect orthogonalization of partly unknown quantum states of light

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- 1. Quantum universal NOT gate
- 2. Perfect orthogonalization of partly unknown quantum states
- 3. Experimental results for single-qubit states
- 4. Orthogonalization of partly unknown entangled states by local operations

Quantum universal NOT gate

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Optimal deterministic approximate U-NOT gate that minimizes the overlap between input and output states:

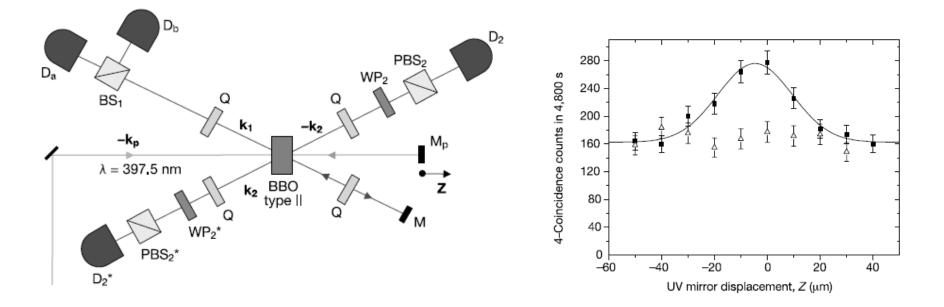
$$|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| \to \frac{2}{3}|\psi_{\perp}\rangle\langle\psi_{\perp}| + \frac{1}{3}|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$$

Performance of the U-NOT gate cannot be improved even if we allow for probabilistic operations.

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Experimental implementation of universal NOT gate

Stimulated parametric down-conversion, output obtained in the idler beam:



Measure and prepare scheme:

- Perform von Neumann measurement in a randomly chosen basis
- prepare output state orthogonal to the measurement outcome
- optimal U-NOT gate is an entanglement-breaking channel

F. De Martini, V. Bužek, F. Sciarrino, and C. Sias, Nature 419, 815 (2002).

Generalization of the quantum U-NOT gate for qudits

Defined as operation that minimizes the average overlap between input and output states.

The averaging is performed over all pure input states with a measure induced by the Haar measure on SU(d).

The optimal transformation:

$$\mathcal{G}_{\text{NOT}}(\rho) = \left(dI - \rho\right) / \left(d^2 - 1\right)$$

Minimum achievable average overlap between input and output states:

$$F_{\perp}(d) = \frac{1}{d+1}$$

P. Rungta, V. Buzek, C.M. Caves, M. Hillery, and G. J. Milburn, Phys. Rev. A 64, 042315 (2001).

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Required prior information: a mean value *a* of some operator *A*:

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This orthogonalization procedure is perfect but probabilistic:

$$p_{\perp} \leq \lambda^{-2} \langle \Delta A^{\dagger} \Delta A \rangle, \qquad \Delta A = A - aI$$

 λ denotes the maximum singular value of ΔA .

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Orthogonalization of single-qubit states

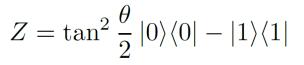
Bloch sphere parametrization:

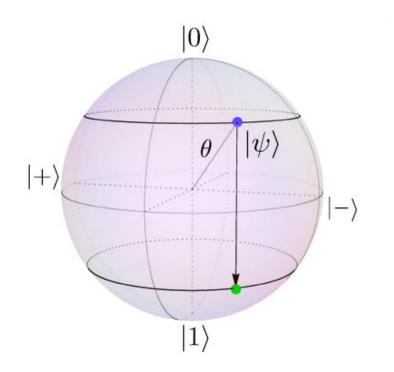
$$|\psi\rangle = \cos\frac{\theta}{2}|0\rangle + e^{i\phi}\sin\frac{\theta}{2}|1\rangle$$

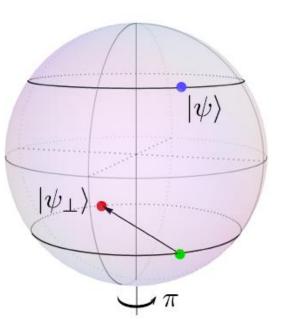
Prior knowledge – mean value of σ_z :

Quantum filter:

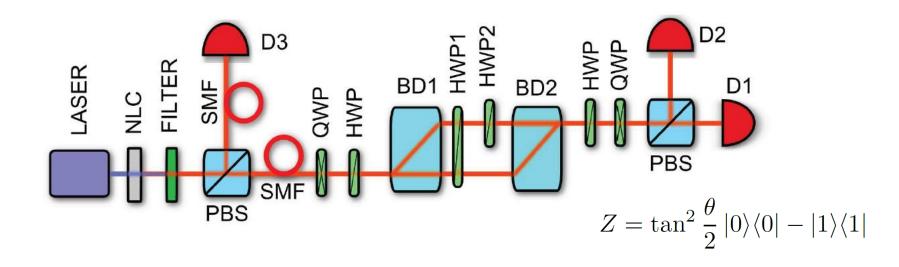
 $\sigma_Z = |0\rangle \langle 0| - |1\rangle \langle 1|.$







Experimental setup



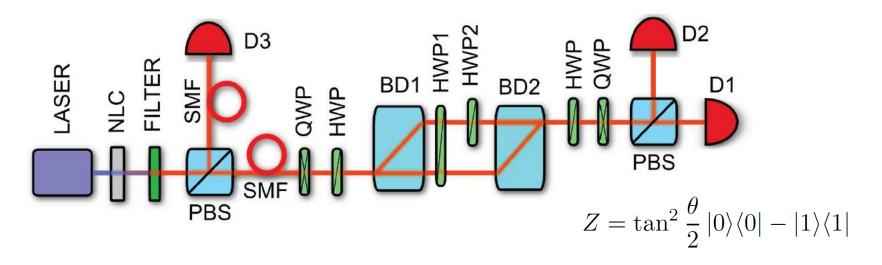
•Qubits are encoded into polarization states of single photons

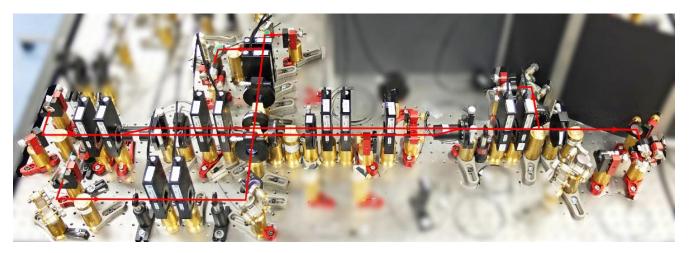
•Correlated photon pairs are generated in the process of parametric downconversion

- Heralded single photons are generated by detection of idler photons
- Polarization dependent filtration is accomplished by combination of calcite beamdisplacers and half-wave plates

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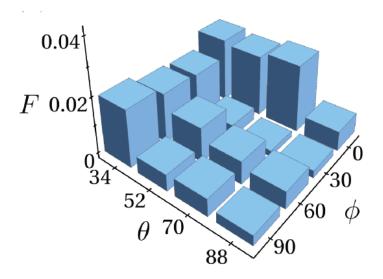
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Experimental results



$$F = \left[\text{Tr} \sqrt{\rho_1^{1/2} \rho_2 \rho_1^{1/2}} \right]^2$$

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

Overlap between input and orthogonalized states

The overlap was determined from tomographically reconstructed density matrices of input and orthogonalized single-qubit states.

Single-qubit states:

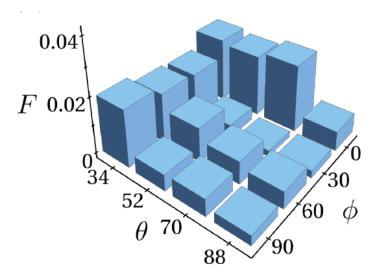
F=0 only if both input and of input and orthogonalized states are pure and orthogonal.

Purity of input and output states:

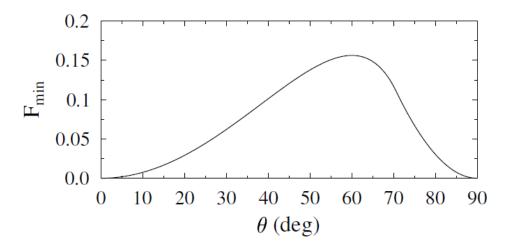
$$\mathcal{P}_I \ge 0.992$$

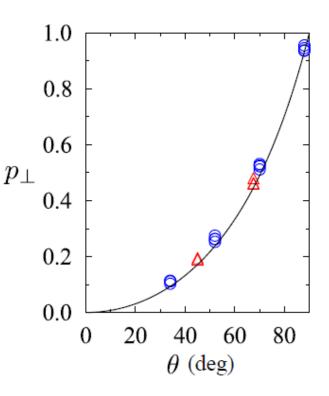
 $\mathcal{P}_O \geq 0.986$

Experimental results



Overlap between input and orthogonalized states





Success probability

Minimum overlap achievable by deterministic operations

Orthogonalization of entangled two-qubit states

Consider pure bipartite state

 $|\Psi\rangle_{12}$

Prior information – knowledge of a mean value of an operator A acting on subsystem 1:

 $a = \langle \Psi | A_1 \otimes I_2 | \Psi \rangle$

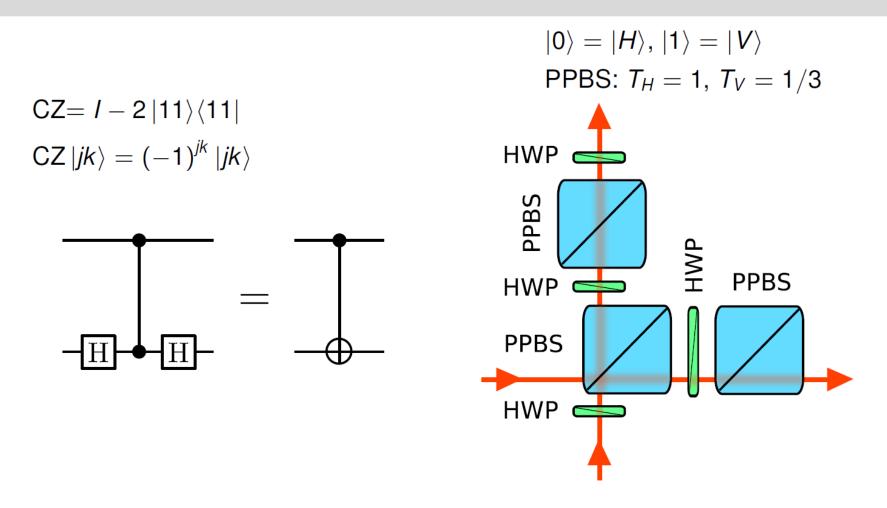
Orthogonalization by local filtering on a single subsystem:

$$|\Psi_{\perp}\rangle_{12} \propto (A - aI)_1 \otimes I_2 |\Psi\rangle_{12}$$

In our experiment, we prepare various entangled two-qubit two-photon states using a linear optical quantum CZ gate.

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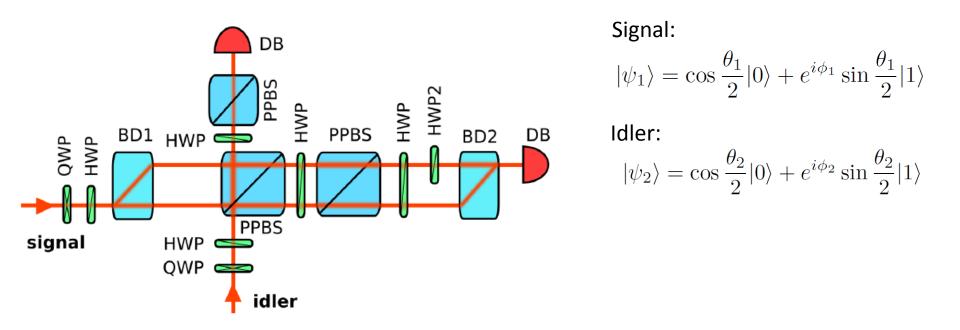
Linear optical quantum CZ gate



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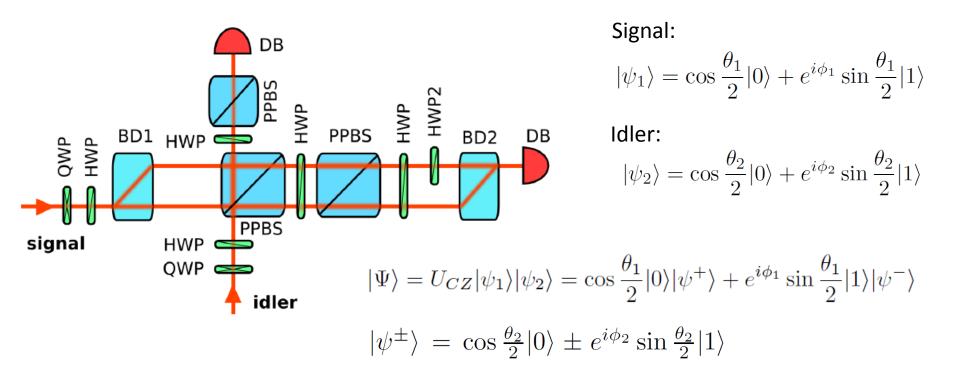
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Entangled two-photon states generated with the use of linear optical quantum CZ gate:

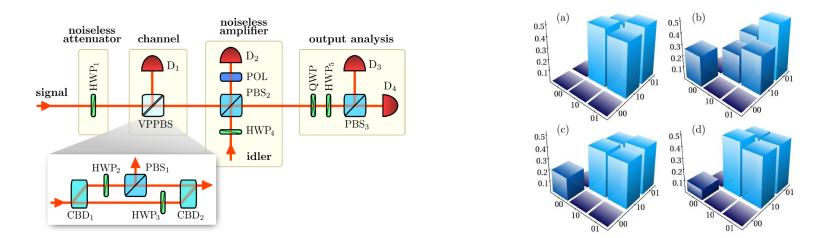
$$|\Psi\rangle = U_{CZ}|\psi_1\rangle|\psi_2\rangle = \cos\frac{\theta_1}{2}|0\rangle|\psi^+\rangle + e^{i\phi_1}\sin\frac{\theta_1}{2}|1\rangle|\psi^-\rangle$$
$$|\psi^{\pm}\rangle = \cos\frac{\theta_2}{2}|0\rangle \pm e^{i\phi_2}\sin\frac{\theta_2}{2}|1\rangle$$

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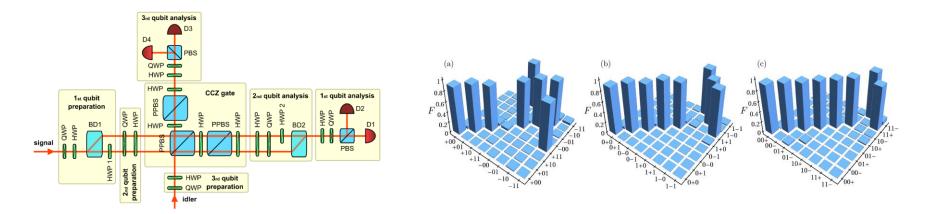


θ_1	ϕ_1	θ_2	ϕ_2	F	\mathcal{P}_{I}	$\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{O}}$
45°	0°	90°	0°	0.040	0.964	0.890
67.5°	0°	90°	0°	0.031	0.961	0.891
45°	0°	45°	0°	0.021	0.936	0.944
67.5°	0°	45°	0°	0.008	0.975	0.952
67.5°	90°	45°	90°	0.041	0.971	0.946

Other experiments with calcite beam displacer-based interferometers



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Conclusions

We have experimentally demonstrated orthogonalization of partly unknown single-qubit and two- qubit states by quantum filtering.

The required prior information is a knowledge of a mean value of an arbitrary single operator A.

The probabilistic orthogonalization significantly outperforms the best deterministic orthogonalization procedure.

Entangled states can be orthogonalized by local filtering on one part of the state.

This procedure can be extended to preparation of superpositions of the input state and its orthogonal counterpart, see A.S. Coelho, L.S. Costanzo, A. Zavatta, C. Hughes, M. S. Kim, and M. Bellini, arXiv:1407.6644.

Thank you for your attention!



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