Frequency Bin Quantum Photonics

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Outline

- Introductory
- Frequency bin entanglement
- Manipulating frequency encoded quantum states



- An experimental perspective; looking forward to making new connections with quantum information people



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Bits and Qubits

Binary or two-level systems



Classical: Bits: 0,1; heads or tails

• Either in 0 or 1, never in both simultaneously

Quantum mechanical: Qubits:

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle \pm |1\rangle); |\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|H\rangle \pm |T\rangle)$$

- Generally in a superposition of 0 and 1
- Intrinsic randomness in measurement
- Interference phenomena; phase matters

Higher-level encoding; higher dimensionality



Qudits: d-level quantum states $|\psi\rangle \sim c_o |0\rangle + c_1 |1\rangle + ... + c_{d-1} |d-1\rangle$

• Potential for multiple qubits per particle



Quantum Entanglement



- Classically: Alice has heads or tails; Bob has heads or tails; these are independent.
- Quantum mechanically: Alice's and Bob's outcomes can be highly correlated.
 - Correlations are nonlocal; measuring Alice's coin affects Bob's measurement immediately and at a distance.
 - Phase matters!
 - An important resource in quantum information



Qudit entanglement is also possible





Encoding Quantum Information in Photons

- Offers many degrees of freedom, most supporting high dimensionality
- Excellent for communications
- Weak interactions little decoherence
- Lack of deterministic photon sources

but very hard to make two photon gates





 $|0\rangle \leftrightarrow |t_0\rangle \dots |n\rangle \leftrightarrow |t_n\rangle$



Optical frequency??

Orbital angular momentum



F. Flamini, Reports on Progress in Physics 82.1 (2018): 016001.



What About Encoding & Entanglement in Optical Frequency?



- Frequencies are robust and compatible with transmission over fibers, but only recently becoming popular for quantum*
- Potential for high dimensionality processing with *qudits* more information per photon
- Ability to perform routing based on optical frequency
- Manipulation in parallel in frequency domain
- Chip-scale microresonator sources
 - Naturally generate high dimensional photon entanglement in a single-spatial mode
 - Compatible with photonic integration
- Prospects for hyper-entanglement with frequency and time

*Recent review: Kues, Reimer, Lukens, Munro, Weiner, Moss, and Morandotti, "Quantum optical microcombs," Nature Photonics **13**, 170 (2019)



Some Classical Background: Femtosecond Pulse Shaping



Table top setup



Commercial

implementation

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- Fourier synthesis via parallel spatial/spectral modulation
- Full programmability for user-defined waveform generation
- **Diverse applications:** fiber communications & ultrabroadband radio-frequency photonics to coherent quantum control

Here simply a programmable, arbitrary amplitude & phase filter



- 10 GHz resolution
- 500 resolvable control elements

A.M. Weiner, Rev. Sci. Instr. 71, 1929 (2000); Optics Communications, 284, 3669 (2011)

Programmable Fiber Dispersion Compensation Using a Pulse Shaper: Subpicosecond Pulses





Chang, Sardesai, and Weiner, Opt. Lett. 23, 283 (1998)

Frequency Bin Entanglement



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Time-Frequency Entangled Photons (Biphotons)

Spontaneous parametric down-conversion (SPDC)



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Biphoton Frequency Combs (via microring resonators)

Small microring (~380 GHZ FSR)



Potential for very high dimensional entanglement



Nonlocal Dispersion Compensation

Frequency-to-time mapping of biphoton combs



An entanglement-based wavelength-multiplexed quantum communication network

Sören Wengerowsky^{1,2*}, Siddarth Koduru Joshi^{1,2,4}, Fabian Steinlechner^{1,2,5,6}, Hannes Hübel³ & Rupert Ursin^{1,2*}

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Hub-and-spoke



$$\left|\Phi^{+}\right\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\left|V_{\lambda_{1}}V_{\lambda_{2}}\right\rangle + \left|H_{\lambda_{1}}H_{\lambda_{2}}\right\rangle \right)$$

- Carves optical frequency channels from a broadband down-conversion source for pair-wise distribution of polarization entanglement between 4 users
- Exploits frequency correlations, but NOT frequency bin entanglement or coherence

Biphoton Frequency Comb Entangled State



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How to Prove Frequency Bin Entanglement?

Use a phase modulator to project a single frequency into multiple sidebands





Phase Modulation Applied to Frequency Entanglement



Manipulating frequency correlations

Nonlocal modulation compensation – a frequency dual of nonlocal dispersion compensation



Sensarn, Yin, and Harris, PRL 103, 163601 (2009)



How to Prove Frequency Bin Entanglement?

Use a phase modulator to project a single frequency into multiple sidebands



Two Dimensional Frequency Bin Entanglement





Imany, Odele, Jaramillo, Leaird, and Weiner, Phys. Rev. A 97, 103813 (2018)

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Dispersion Measurement with Biphoton Frequency Comb





Testing Frequency Bin Entanglement

50 GHz FSR microring resonator

100µm

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Imany, et al, Opt. Exp. 26, 1825 (2018)

Three-Dimensional Frequency Bin Entanglement [SPDC]

Selecting a symmetric set of phase modulation sidebands



This interference pattern gives us evidence of phase coherence (entanglement) between all three comb line pairs simultaneously



Imany, Odele, Jaramillo, Leaird, and Weiner, Phys. Rev. A 97, 103813 (2018)

Three-Dimensional Frequency Bin Entanglement [SPDC]

Another example, with asymmetric set of phase modulation sidebands



Illustrates flexible control of two-photon quantum interference in three frequency dimensions



Imany, Odele, Jaramillo, Leaird, and Weiner, Phys. Rev. A 97, 103813 (2018)

Three-Dimensional Frequency Bin Entanglement [Microring]



 $=\frac{1}{Max\ coinc.}$

Max coinc. = 160 ± 18

 $I_3 = 2.63$ 0.2 (sufficient to establish qutrit entanglement)

R. Thew, et al, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **93**, 010503 (2004); C. Bernhard, *et al*, *J. Phys. A. Math. Theor.* **47**, 424013 (2014).

Imany, et al, Opt. Exp. 26, 1825 (2018)



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Manipulating Frequency Encoded Photons

(Gates)



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Quantum state manipulation for frequency encoded photons

An Interesting Duality: Same components, different order for entanglement characterization & state manipulation





Decomposition of N N Unitary Operators into 2 2 Variable Beamsplitters

Basis for integrated photonic quantum chips based on path encoding



Reck, Zeilinger, et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 73, 58 (1994)

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Multidimensional quantum entanglement with large-scaleintegrated opticsJ. Wang, S. Paesani et al, Science 360, 285 (2018)

- State-of-the art in multi-dimensional QIP: programmable two-party entanglement up to dimensionality of 15 15
- Realized in a silicon photonic chip with >500 photonic components
- Path encoding: compatible with on-chip implementations, but not fiber optic transmission



Gate Construction for Frequency-Encoded Qubits (Qudits)

Based on alternating phase control in time and frequency





High-Fidelity Gates for Frequency Encoded Photons

Phase modulator – pulse shaper – phase modulator frequency mixer architecture



• Temporal and spectral phase waveforms designed for high fidelity and success probability

- Circumvents "scattering" of frequencies out of the computational space
- Extra RF harmonics or additional cascaded modulators and shapers also possible





High-Fidelity Gates for Quantum Information Processing

"2 2" coupler (frequency beam splitter) – Hadamard gate





- Beam splitter action turned off depending on pulse shaper phase
- Parallel Hadamard operations possible with 4-frequency-bin guard bands

H.-H. Lu, private communication; H.-H. Lu, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 120, 030502 (2018)



High-Fidelity Gates for Quantum Information Processing

"3" 3" coupler (frequency tritter) – discrete Fourier transform

H.-H. Lu, et al., *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 120, 030502 (2018)



Coherent Processing of Entangled Frequency-Bin Qubits

Quantum frequency processor operating on 2 photons, each with 2 frequency bins, independently and in parallel



- Novel transformation: swapping the correlations between frequency bins
- Illustrates the power of parallel, independently configured frequency bin operations

Lu, Lukens, Peters, Williams, Weiner and Lougovski, Optica 5, 1455 (2018)

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Frequency-Encoded, Probabilistic Two Photon Gate

Linear optical computing paradigm: realize controlled gates via quantum interference and post-selection

CNOT

 $U_{\text{ideal}} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$

Experimental results:

coincidence basis

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Coincidences

90

45

Lu, Lukens, Williams, Imany, Peters, Weiner and Lougovski, npj Quantum Information (2019) 5:24

Time-Frequency Hyper-entanglement

Deterministic optical quantum logic with multiple high-dimensional degrees of freedom in a single photon

High-dimensional optical quantum logic in large operational spaces [PURDUE]

- Enables construction of <u>deterministic</u> photonic gates, scalable in dimension
- Experiments in 3 3 and 16 16 dimensions with a single photon
- Readily extended to two photons



Imany, Jaramillo-Villegas, Lukens, Alshaykh, Odele, Moore, Leaird, Qi, and Weiner, arXiv:1805.04410

High-dimensional one-way quantum processing implemented on *d*-level cluster states [INRS]

 Realization and characterization of fourpartite, 3 dimensional cluster states via time-frequency encoding of signal-idler pair



Reimer, et al, Nature Physics (2018), https://doi.org/10.1038/s41567-018-0347-x

Deterministic 2-Qudit Time-Frequency Gates: Experiments

Exploiting dispersion (frequency-dependent delay)







Imany, Jaramillo-Villegas, Lukens, Alshaykh, Odele, Moore, Leaird, Qi, and Weiner, arXiv:1805.04410

Testing the Coherence of the Sum Gate



Entanglement of formation lower bounded at $EoF \ge 1.19 \pm 0.12$ ebits, confirming dimensionality >2

Imany, Jaramillo-Villegas, Lukens, Alshaykh, Odele, Moore, Leaird, Qi, and Weiner, submitted



Scaling the Sum Gate to 16 16

16 frequency bins, 16 time bins

16 diagonal blocks

corresponding to individual

frequencies

16

Equivalent to 8 qubits in a single photon

Filtered SPDC source Frequency as control, time as target

> Control + target, modulo d



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Imany, Jaramillo-Villegas, Lukens, Alshaykh, Odele, Moore, Leaird, Qi, and Weiner, arXiv:1805.04410

4-party, 32-dimensional Greenberger-Horne-Zeilinger (GHZ) states via SUM gate operating on entangled signal-idler pair

GHZ states consist of >2 parties, entangled with each other such that measurement of one party in the computational basis determines the state of all the other parties.

• Proposed applications include: quantum secret sharing, open-destination quantum teleportation, generation of connected networks of cluster states for photonic quantum



Imany, Jaramillo-Villegas, Lukens, Alshaykh, Odele, Moore, Leaird, Qi, and Weiner, submitted

What Are We Interested in Going Forward?

- Characterize and manipulate entanglement in much higher dimension
- Probabilistic photon-photon two-qudit gates and qudit-teleportation using timefrequency hyperentangled photons
- Encoding qubits in qudits for error correction
- Qudits application for phase estimation and quantum simulation (with Prof. Sabre Kais)
- Photonic integration for on-chip quantum frequency technologies (with Prof. Minghao Qi)





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- Proving the phase coherence / entanglement for frequency bin photons, including those from on-chip microring resonator sources
- Exploring quantum state manipulation for frequency-encoded photons













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