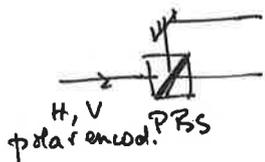


Homework 3 - photonic qubits

Exo 1

Consider



} dual rail encoding.

A polarization BS transmits a V polarization and reflects a H polarization.



Exo 2

Action of the  $-\pi/2$  waveplate:

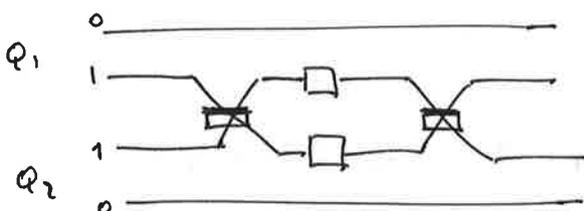
$$U_{wp} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{pmatrix}_{a,b \atop d,c}$$

Hence the optical setup is described by the unitary operator:

$$U = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{pmatrix}}_{wp\ 2}_{c,d} \underbrace{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i \\ i & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{BS} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{pmatrix}}_{wp\ 1}_{a,b} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ i & -i \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = U_H.$$

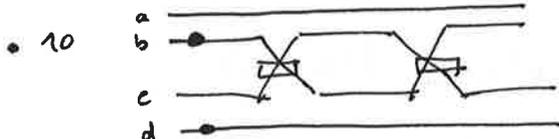
Exo 3

There was a mistake in the drawing of fig 3b: it should have been:



Besides, the convention for the BS should have been  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

for:  $|00\rangle \rightarrow |00\rangle$  corresponding to



for the photon in b.

$$\begin{aligned} |1_b 0_c\rangle &\xrightarrow{BS1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|110\rangle + |101\rangle) \\ &\xrightarrow{BS2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|110\rangle + |101\rangle) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|110\rangle - |101\rangle) \\ &= |1_b' 0_c'\rangle \end{aligned}$$

The shifts are irrelevant for 1 photon in the interferometer.

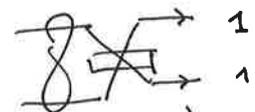
Hence  $|10\rangle \rightarrow |10\rangle$

• for  $|01\rangle = |n_a=1, n_b=0\rangle |n_c=1, n_d=0\rangle$ , same argument  
 $\rightarrow |01\rangle$

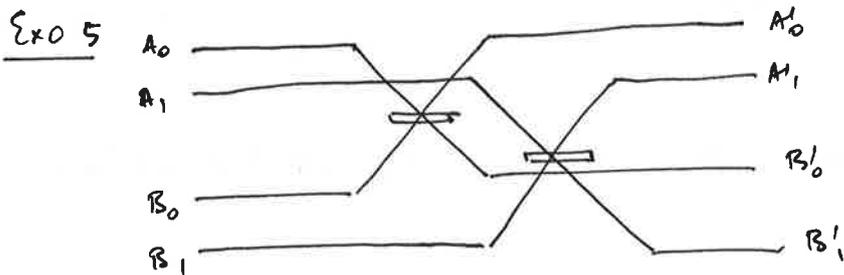
• for  $|11\rangle = |n_a=0, n_b=1\rangle |n_c=1, n_d=0\rangle$   
 look only at the photon in the interferometer.

$$|11\rangle_{bc} \xrightarrow{BS_1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|20\rangle + |02\rangle) \xrightarrow{NS} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|20\rangle - |02\rangle)$$

$$\xrightarrow{BS_2} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |20\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |02\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |11\rangle \right] + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |20\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |02\rangle - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |11\rangle \right] = -|11\rangle$$

(you have to use the BS in reverse   
 $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|20\rangle - |02\rangle)$ )

To summarize  $|q_1, q_2\rangle \rightarrow (-1)^{q_1 \cdot q_2} |q_1, q_2\rangle$   
 which is a C<sup>z</sup> gate.



One calculates first the action of the BS on each of the 2 qubit states.

•  $|00\rangle = |1_{A_0} 0_{A_1}\rangle |0_{B_0} 0_{B_1}\rangle = |1_{A'_0} 0_{B'_0}\rangle |0_{A'_1} 0_{B'_1}\rangle$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|2_{A'_0} 0_{B'_0}\rangle + |0_{A'_0} 2_{B'_0}\rangle) |0_{A'_1} 0_{B'_1}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|2_{A'_0} 0_{A'_1} 0_{B'_0} 0_{B'_1}\rangle - |0_{A'_0} 0_{A'_1} 2_{B'_0} 0_{B'_1}\rangle)$$

•  $|11\rangle = |0_{A_0} 1_{B_0}\rangle |1_{A_1} 1_{B_1}\rangle$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0_{A'_0} 2_{A'_1} 0_{B'_0} 0_{B'_1}\rangle - |0_{A'_0} 0_{A'_1} 0_{B'_0} 2_{B'_1}\rangle)$$

•  $|01\rangle = |1_{A_0} 0_{A_1}\rangle |0_{B_0} 1_{B_1}\rangle = |1_{A_0} 0_{B_0}\rangle |0_{A_1} 1_{B_1}\rangle$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|1_{A'_0} 0_{B'_0}\rangle + |0_{A'_0} 1_{B'_0}\rangle) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|1_{A'_1} 0_{B'_1}\rangle - |0_{A'_1} 1_{B'_1}\rangle)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (|1_{A'_0} 1_{A'_1} 0_{B'_0} 0_{B'_1}\rangle - |1_{A'_0} 0_{A'_1} 0_{B'_0} 1_{B'_1}\rangle + |0_{A'_0} 1_{A'_1} 1_{B'_0} 0_{B'_1}\rangle - |0_{A'_0} 0_{A'_1} 1_{B'_0} 1_{B'_1}\rangle)$$

•  $|10\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} (|1_{A'_0} 1_{A'_1} 0_{B'_0} 0_{B'_1}\rangle + |1_{A'_0} 0_{A'_1} 0_{B'_0} 1_{B'_1}\rangle - |0_{A'_0} 1_{A'_1} 1_{B'_0} 0_{B'_1}\rangle - |0_{A'_0} 0_{A'_1} 1_{B'_0} 1_{B'_1}\rangle)$

Hence  $|\psi_{\pm}\rangle \propto |00\rangle \pm |11\rangle$  gives at the output 4 possible patterns, identical for  $\psi_+$  and  $\psi_-$ :

$$\begin{matrix} 2000 \\ 0200 \\ 0020 \\ 0002 \end{matrix}$$

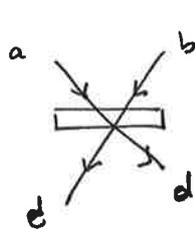
On the contrary:  $|\psi_{\pm}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle \pm |10\rangle)$  give 2 different patterns at the output:

$\psi_+ \rightarrow 1100$  or  $1001$   
 $\psi_- \rightarrow 1001$  or  $0110$

They can now be distinguished.

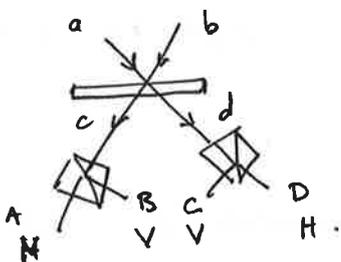
Proba of success:  $2/4 = 1/2$

Exo 6 Polarization encoding and Bell state analysis



If  $|\psi_{in}\rangle = |\phi_{\pm}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|HH\rangle \pm |VV\rangle)$   
 then  $|\psi_{out}\rangle = \frac{1}{2}(|2H0H\rangle_{cd} - |0H2H\rangle_{cd})$   
 $\pm \frac{1}{2}(|2V0V\rangle_{cd} - |0V2V\rangle_{cd})$ .

The PBS allows polarization detection.



Hence the click patterns are the same for  $\phi_{\pm}$

	A	B	C	D
$2H0H$	x	0	0	0
$0H2H$	0	0	0	x
$2V0V$	0	x	0	0
$0V2V$	0	0	x	0

When instead  $|\psi_{in}\rangle = |\psi_{\pm}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|HV\rangle \pm |VH\rangle)$ , the bunching effect does not take place and after the BS:

$$|\psi_{out}\rangle \propto (H_c + H_d)(V_c - V_d) \pm (V_c + V_d)(H_c - H_d)$$

$\Rightarrow \psi_+$  gives  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(H_c V_c - H_d V_d)$  click: AB or CD  
 $\psi_-$  gives  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-H_c V_d + H_d V_c)$  click: AC or BD.

Hence can be distinguished.

Again Proba of success: 2 out of 4 times (distinguish 2 states out of 4)

Exo 7

## Entanglement swapping.

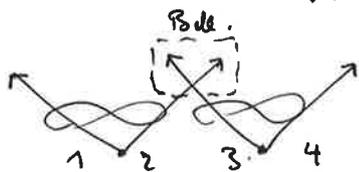
Recall

$$|00\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\psi_+\rangle + |\psi_-\rangle)$$

$$|11\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\psi_+\rangle - |\psi_-\rangle)$$

$$|01\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\phi_+\rangle + |\phi_-\rangle)$$

$$|10\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\phi_+\rangle - |\phi_-\rangle)$$



$$|\psi_+\rangle_{12} |\phi_+\rangle_{34} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|00\rangle_{12} + |11\rangle_{12}) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|00\rangle_{34} + |11\rangle_{34})$$

$$|\psi_{12}\rangle |\phi_{34}\rangle = \frac{1}{2} (|00\rangle_{14} |00\rangle_{23} + |01\rangle_{14} |01\rangle_{23} + |10\rangle_{14} |10\rangle_{23} + |11\rangle_{14} |11\rangle_{23})$$

$$\propto \frac{1}{2} \left[ |00\rangle_{14} (|\psi_+\rangle_{23} + |\psi_-\rangle_{23}) + |01\rangle_{14} (|\phi_+\rangle_{23} + |\phi_-\rangle_{23}) \right. \\ \left. + |10\rangle_{14} (|\phi_+\rangle_{23} - |\phi_-\rangle_{23}) + |11\rangle_{14} (|\psi_+\rangle_{23} - |\psi_-\rangle_{23}) \right]$$

$$\propto (|00\rangle_{14} + |11\rangle_{14}) |\psi_+\rangle_{23} + (|00\rangle_{14} - |11\rangle_{14}) |\psi_-\rangle_{23} \\ + (|01\rangle_{14} + |10\rangle_{14}) |\phi_+\rangle_{23} + (|01\rangle_{14} - |10\rangle_{14}) |\phi_-\rangle_{23}$$

$$\propto |\psi_+\rangle_{14} |\psi_+\rangle_{23} + |\psi_-\rangle_{14} |\psi_-\rangle_{23} + |\phi_+\rangle_{14} |\phi_+\rangle_{23} + |\phi_-\rangle_{14} |\phi_-\rangle_{23}$$

A BdB measurement giving for example  $|\psi_+\rangle_{23}$  projects the qubit 14 into the entangled state  $|\psi_+\rangle$ , with a probability  $1/4$ .

As the BdB measurement has a success probability  $1/2$ , the probability of the entanglement swapping is  $1/4 \times 1/2 = 1/8$ .

Exo 8

$$F_p = \frac{1.8 \text{ ns}}{0.16 \text{ ns}} \approx 8$$

$$\text{As } F_p = \frac{3}{4\pi^2} \left(\frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^3 \frac{Q}{V} \Rightarrow V = \frac{3}{4\pi^2} \left(\frac{890}{3.5}\right)^3 \frac{12000}{8}$$

$$= \frac{3}{4\pi^2} \frac{1}{3.5^3} \frac{12000}{8} \lambda^3 \approx 3 \lambda^3$$

Exo 9

$$g^{(2)}(0) = \frac{\langle a^\dagger a^\dagger a a \rangle}{\langle a^\dagger a \rangle^2} = \frac{\langle a^\dagger (1 - a a^\dagger) a \rangle}{\langle a^\dagger a \rangle^2} \quad \text{using } [a, a^\dagger] = 1$$

$$\text{Hence: } g^{(2)}(0) = \frac{\langle \hat{n}(\hat{n}-1) \rangle}{\langle \hat{n} \rangle^2} = \frac{\sum_n n(n-1) P_n}{\left(\sum_n n P_n\right)^2}$$

$$\text{When } P_1, P_2 \dots \ll 1 \quad g^{(2)}(0) \approx \frac{2(2-1)P_2}{(P_1)^2} = \frac{2P_2}{P_1^2}$$

$$\text{For a coherent state } |\alpha\rangle = e^{-|\alpha|^2/2} \sum_n \frac{\alpha^n}{\sqrt{n!}} |n\rangle$$

$$\text{and } P_1 = \alpha^2 e^{-\alpha^2} \approx \alpha^2 \quad P_2 = \frac{\alpha^4}{2} e^{-\alpha^2} \approx \frac{\alpha^4}{2}$$

$$\text{Hence: } \frac{2P_2}{P_1^2} \approx \frac{\alpha^4}{(\alpha^2)^2} = 1$$

Exo 10

$$\text{take } |\psi\rangle = |0_a 0_b\rangle + \Sigma |1_a 1_b\rangle + \Sigma^2 |2_a 2_b\rangle$$

A conditional measurement of a photon on b projects onto

$$\hat{b}|\psi\rangle \propto |1_a\rangle + \Sigma \sqrt{2} |2_a\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow g^{(2)}(0) = \frac{\langle \hat{n}(\hat{n}-1) \rangle}{\langle \hat{n} \rangle^2} \approx \frac{2P_2}{P_1^2} \approx 4 \Sigma^2$$