L3 – Quantum Technologies for GW detection

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Quantum technologies for quantum sensing

Aim: improved precision in the estimation of an unknown physical quantity by adopting quantum resources

Optical phase estimation:

Unknown parameter ϕ phase difference between interferometer arms

Applications:



- -) Gravitational wave detection
- -) Imaging
- -) Quantum communications
- -) Biological systems measurements

E. Polino, M. Valeri, N. Spagnolo, F. Sciarrino, AVS Quantum Science 2, 024703 (2020)

Quantum metrology

General quantum framework for estimation problems



Ultimate limits for optical phase estimation

 $\Delta \phi \ge \frac{1}{\sqrt{\nu N}}$

Standard quantum limit (SQL), achievable with classical resources

Heisenberg limit (HL), achievable with quantum resources (entangled states, squeezed states)

Optical phase estimation and quantum approach

Maximally entangled states

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|2\rangle|0\rangle + \frac{e^{i2\phi}}{|0\rangle|2\rangle}$$



Higher sensitivity than classical light



First unconditional violation of the standard quantum limit: S. Slussarenko, et al., Nature Photonics 11, 700-703 (2017)

Reduced noise in one phase quadrature \hat{Y} X \hat{X}

Squeezed light

Application for GW detection



Recent review: L. Barsotti, et al., Rep. Prog. Phys. 82, 016905 (2019)

Quantum estimation: open issues

1. Estimation with limited data



2. Calibration of large scale quantum sensors



our approach: devising algorithms based on machine learning

Adaptive estimation with limited data



-) Online approaches: feedback phase is evaluated at each run by the processing unit

-) Offline approaches: feedback phase is changed from a list of pre-calculated rules

Machine learning techniques can be employed

Adaptive estimation with limited data

OFFLINE APPROACHES



maps the problem to particle evolution

ONLINE APPROACHES



Genetic Algorithm



inspired by the principles of natural selection

A. Lumino, et al., Phys. Rev. Applied **10**, 064028 (2018) K. Rambhatla, et al., Phys. Rev. Research **2**, 033078 (2020)

At each step the feedback is applied to minimize the variance of the posterior distribution

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Extension to multiparameter estimation



Requires multiple feedback phases:



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Calibration of quantum sensors via neural networks

New approach for calibration - machine learning for quantum sensors

Advantage: Neural networks do not rely on knowledge of the device model



V. Cimini, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **123**, 230502 (2019) V. Cimini, et al., Phys. Rev. Appl. **15**, 044003 (2020)

Calibration of quantum sensors via neural networks

Concept of the approach



(1) A series of input-output data are generated from the apparatus

$$\left\{\vec{x}, \vec{y}\right\}_{k} = \left\{P(i \to j), (V_{1}, V_{2})\right\}_{k} \text{ for } i, j = 1, 2, 3.$$

input parameters tuned by the user
$$\Delta \phi_{i} = \sum_{j=1}^{2} \left(\alpha_{ij} P_{R_{j}} + \alpha_{ij}^{\text{NL}} P_{R_{j}}^{2}\right)$$

Requires additional calibration of $(V_1, V_2) \leftrightarrow (\Delta \phi_1, \Delta \phi_2)$

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Concept of the approach

(2) The training set is used to train a neural network to learn the mapping between $P(i \rightarrow j)$ and (V_1, V_2)

No a priori knowledge on the functional form of the model/mapping is generally required, including noise



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Results and Perspectives

Other results

- A. Z. Goldberg, et al., Phys. Rev. A 102, 022230 (2020)
- V. Cimini, et al., Phys. Rev. Applied 13, 024048 (2020)
- V. Cimini, at al., arXiv:2110.02908 (2021)



Results and Perspectives



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