

### Computazione quantistica con sistemi ottici e a microonde

A brief introduction to quantum computation with infinite-dimensional systems

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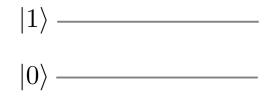
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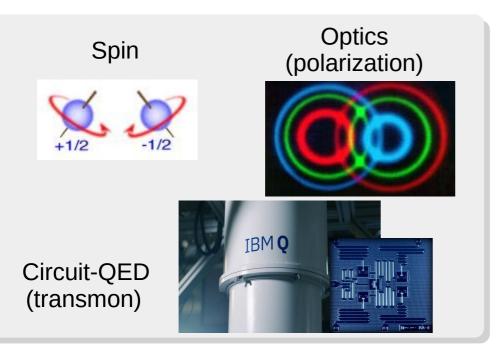
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What is a genuine resource for quantum computational advantage?



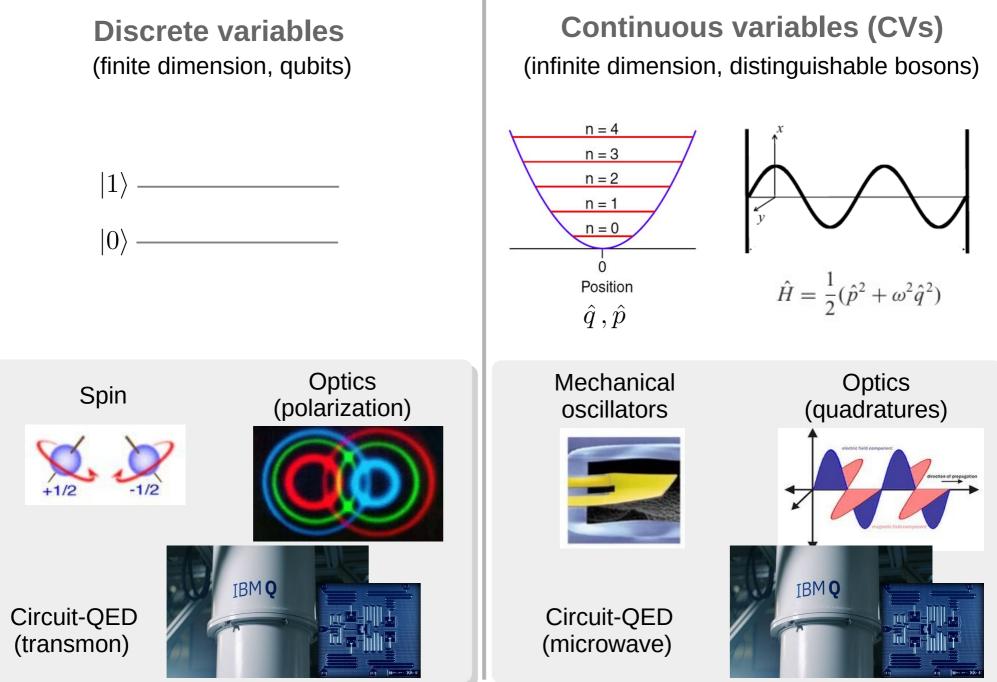
**Discrete variables** (finite dimension, qubits)





#### Many quantum systems are "CVs"





## Can we use continuous variables to process quantum information?



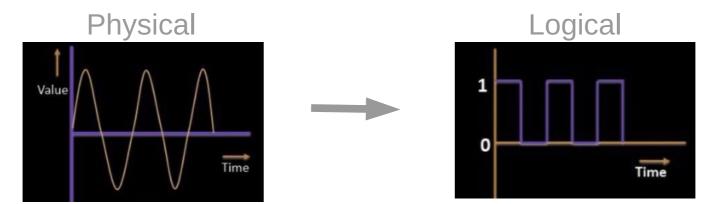
(Classical Information) History says: "yes..."



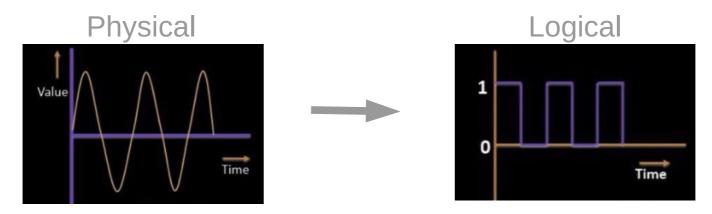
Differential analyzer, 1938 (University of Cambridge)

"... but you'd better digitize it"

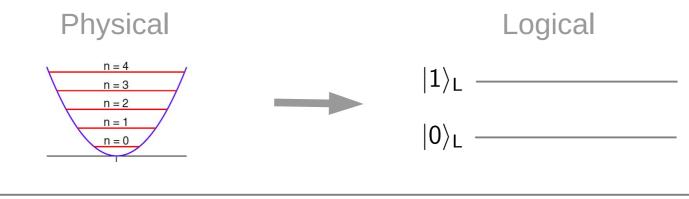
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Digitizing quantum CVs (bosonic codes): encoding qubits in quantum continuous variables



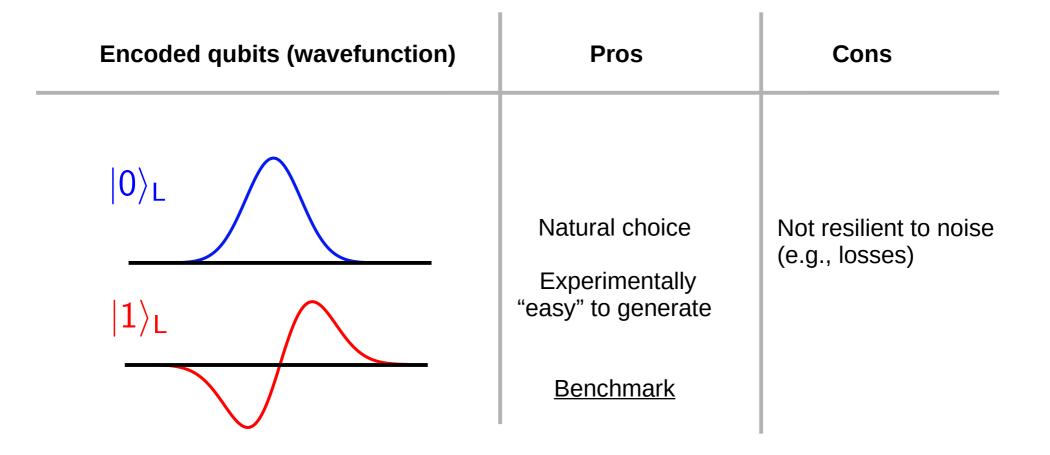
 $\{|0\rangle_{\mathsf{L}}, |1\rangle_{\mathsf{L}}\}$ 

Identify a two-dimensional Hilbert space within the infinitedimensional Hilbert space of the physical system

$$\{|0
angle,|1
angle,|2
angle,\ldots$$

#### **Bosonic code (I): Fock encoding**









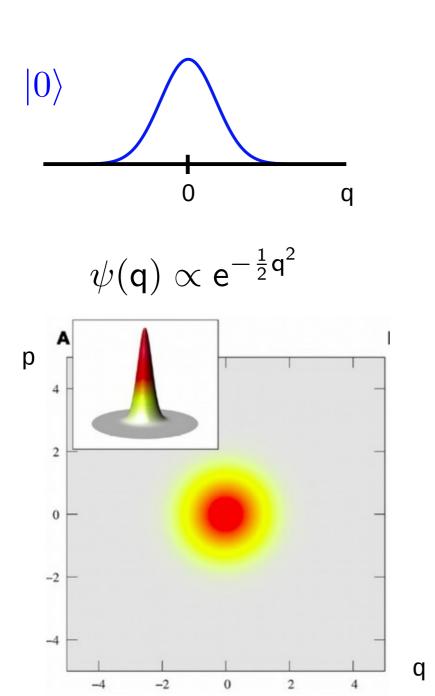
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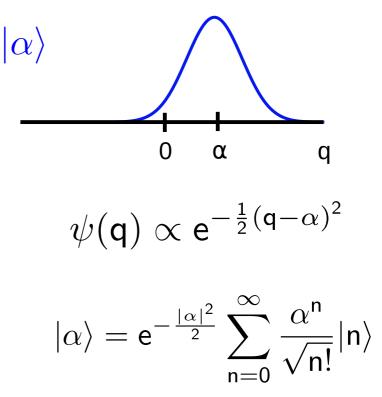
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#### **Coherent states**

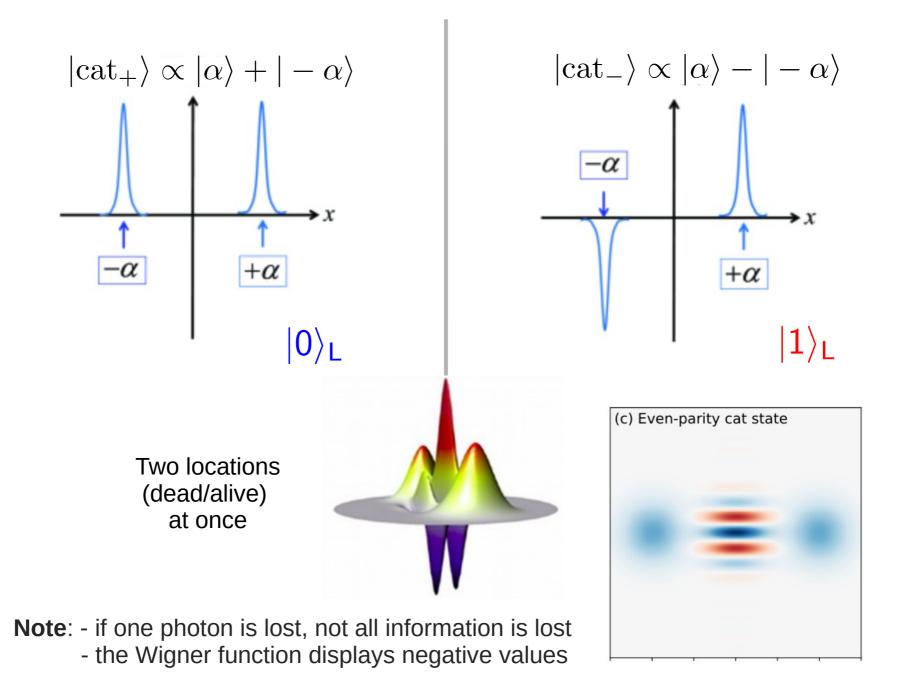






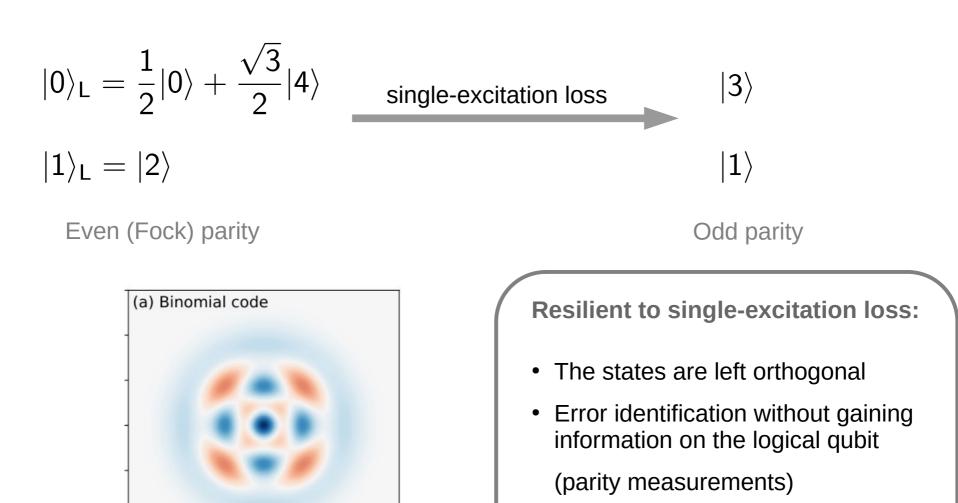
#### **Bosonic codes (II): the cat code**





#### **Bosonic codes (III): binomial codes**





• Error correction (ancillary systems)

Note: the Wigner function displays negative values



# Discrete variables $|1\rangle$ $|1\rangle$ $|1\rangle$ $|0\rangle$ $\otimes \cdots \otimes \frac{|1\rangle}{|0\rangle}$ $|0\rangle$ 3-qubit<br/>repetition<br/>code $|0\rangle \rightarrow |0_L\rangle \equiv |000\rangle$ <br/> $|1\rangle \rightarrow |1_L\rangle \equiv |111\rangle$

To protect 1 logical qubit from arbitrary single qubit errors at least 5 physical qubits are needed

(Steane code)

Hardware efficiency: bosonic codes do not need additional physical systems

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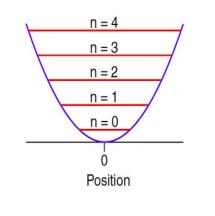
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3-qubit repetition code

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**Continuous variables** 



$$\begin{aligned} |\text{cat}_{+}\rangle \propto |\alpha\rangle + |-\alpha\rangle \\ |\text{cat}_{-}\rangle \propto |\alpha\rangle - |-\alpha\rangle \end{aligned}$$

Cat code

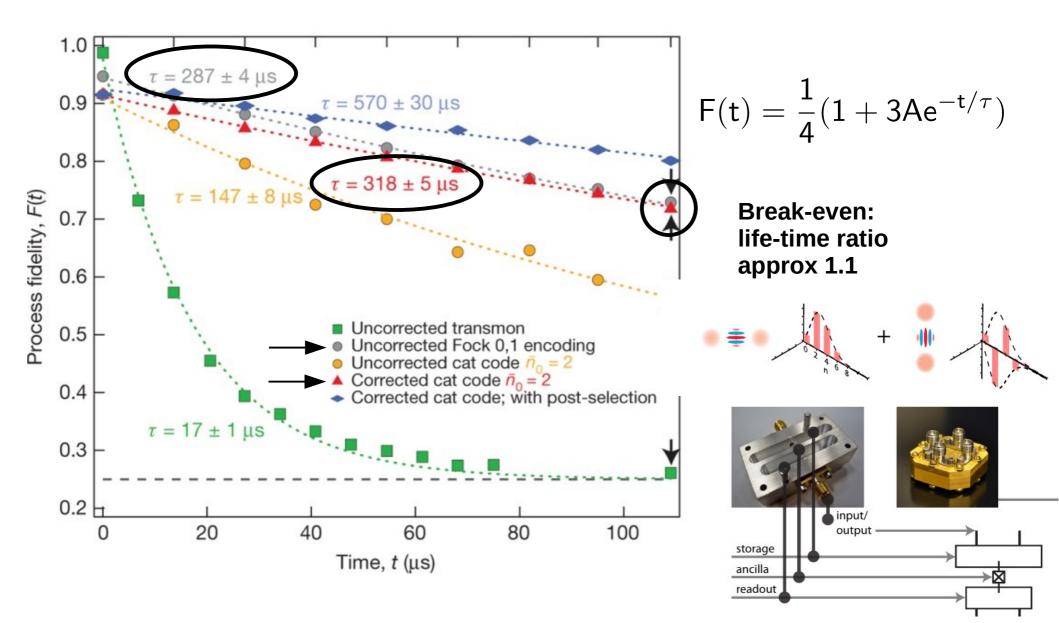
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angle + rac{\sqrt{3}}{2}|4
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angle_{L} &= |2
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Binomial code

# Extending the lifetime of a quantum bit with error correction in superconducting circuits

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Nature 536, 441-445 (2016) Ofek, N., Petrenko, A., Heeres, R. et al.

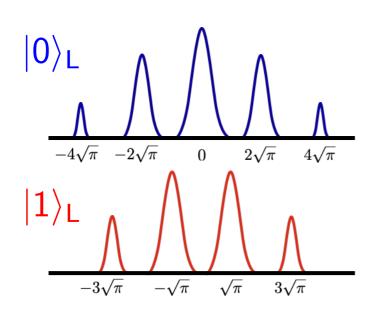


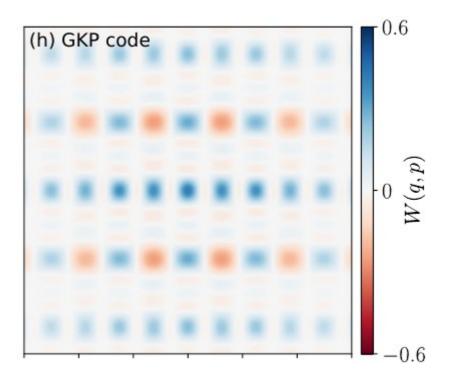
#### **Bosonic codes (IV): GKP codes**



#### PHYSICAL REVIEW A, VOLUME 64, 012310 Encoding a qubit in an oscillator

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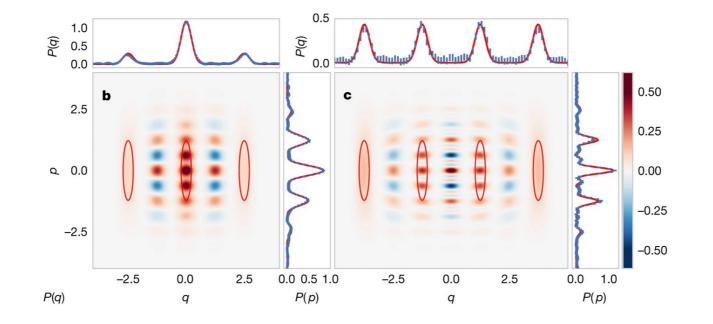
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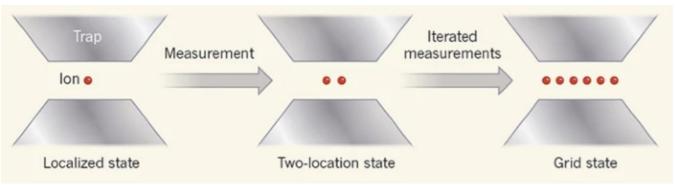
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#### **Associated Content**

#### <u>Promising ways to encode and</u> <u>manipulate quantum information</u>

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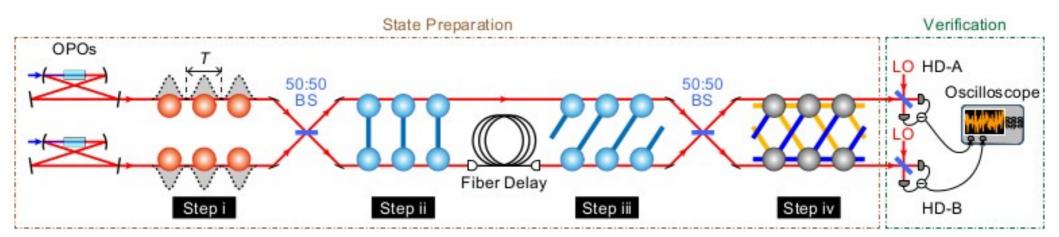
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#### Additional advantage of CV systems: record-large number of entangled & controllable systems

#### Invited Article: Generation of one-million-mode continuousvariable cluster state by unlimited time-domain multiplexing

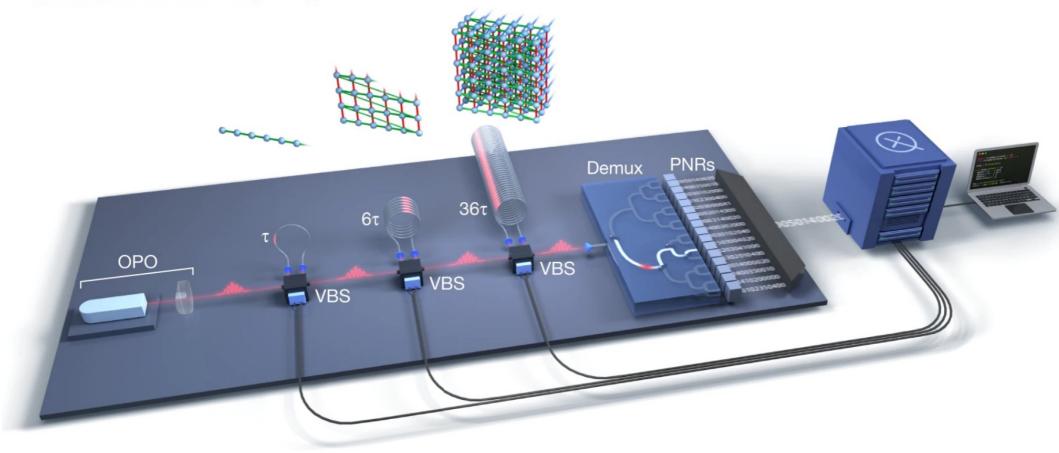
APL Photonics 1, 060801 (2016); https://doi.org/10.1063/1.4962732

🔟 Jun-ichi Yoshikawa<sup>1</sup>, Shota Yokoyama<sup>1,2</sup>, Toshiyuki Kaji<sup>1</sup>, Chanond Sornphiphatphong<sup>1</sup>, Yu Shiozawa<sup>1</sup>, Kenzo Makino<sup>1</sup>, and Akira Furusawa<sup>1,a)</sup>



# Quantum computational advantage with a programmable photonic processor

Nature 606, 75–81 (2022) Madsen, L.S., Laudenbach, F., Askarani, M.F. et al.



Deterministic generation of an entangled state of <u>216 modes</u>, with mean photon number 125, and <u>1,296 programmable real parameters</u>.

Sampling (approx 10<sup>12</sup> times) **faster** than a classical computer.





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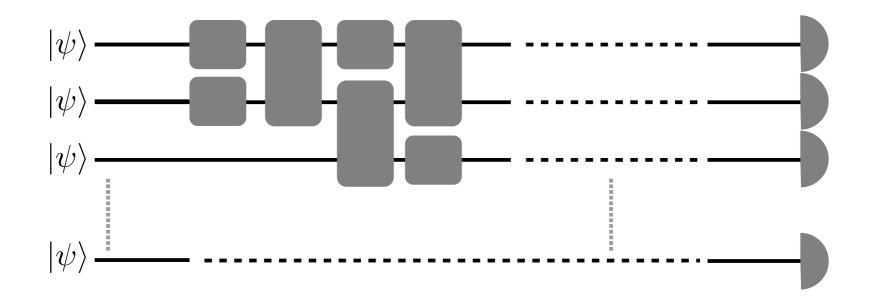
Excellent performances for noise-resilience and scalability

What is a genuine resource for quantum computational advantage?

#### **Bosonic circuits**

A generic bosonic circuits is composed of:

- Initial states  $|\psi
  angle$
- Gates
- Measurements

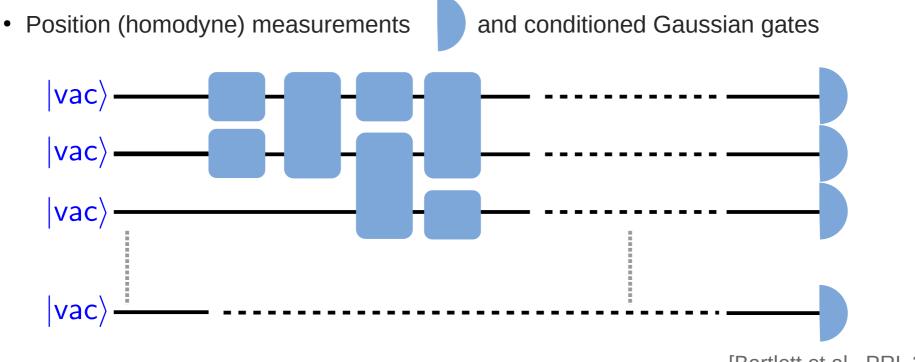


Which type of components are needed for quantum computational advantage?

#### Some bosonic circuits provide no quantum advantage

Gaussian circuits with vacuum input can be simulated efficiently on a classical computer:

- CV circuits initialized in vac
- Gaussian gates
   (linear and quadratic interactions)



[Bartlett et al., PRL 2002]

Wigner negativity is necessary for quantum advantage

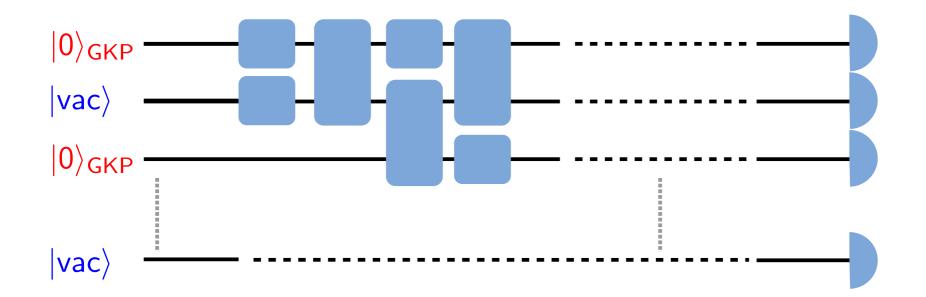
[Mari et al. PRL 2012; Veitch et al NJP 2013; Rahimi-Keshari et al., PRX 2016]

#### **GKP states provide quantum advantage**

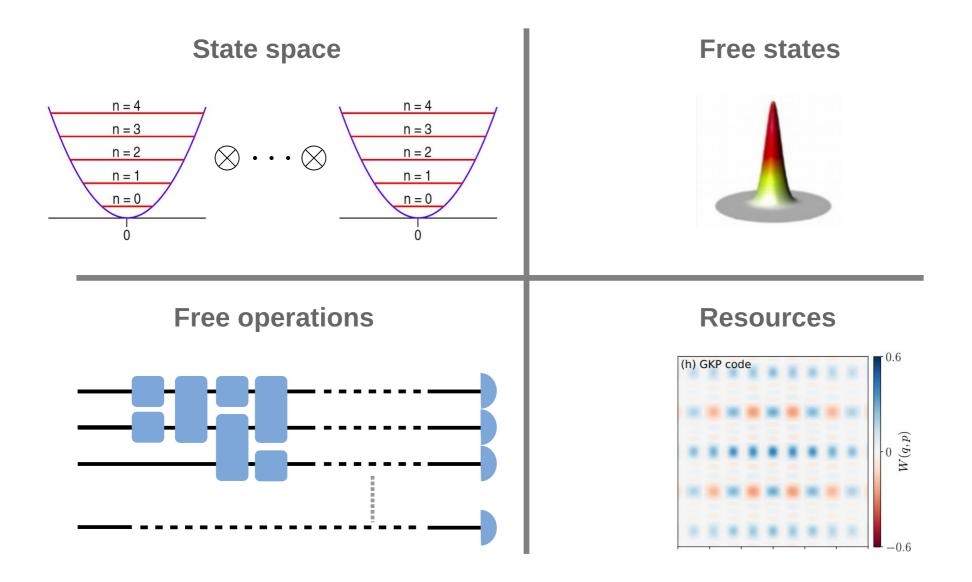
Adding GKP inputs make these circuit universal (quantum advantage):

- CV systems initialized in  $|0\rangle_{GKP}$  and vacuum states  $|vac\rangle$
- Gaussian gates (linear and quadratic interactions)
- Homodyne measurements

and Gaussian gates conditioned on outcomes



#### Resource theory of CV quantum computation (Wigner negativity)



[Albarelli, Genoni, Paris, AF, PRA 2018]

#### A resource quantifier: Wigner Logarithmic Negativity

The negative volume of the Wigner function is a natural candidate.

Define the Wigner Logarithmic Negativity as:

$$\mathsf{M}\left(\rho\right) = \log\left(\int \mathrm{d}\mathbf{r} \, \left|\mathsf{W}_{\rho}\left(\mathbf{r}\right)\right|\right)$$

It is an additive & computable monotone!

[Albarelli, Genoni, Paris, AF, PRA 2018]

**Comparison of resources** 

Fock states are not the most resourceful states at fixed energy

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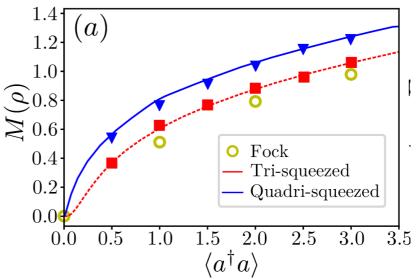
#### **Conversion between resources**

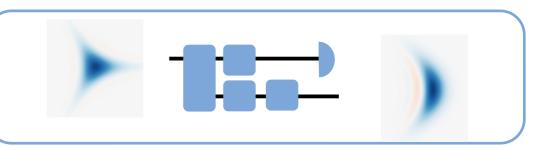
Probabilistic conversion of three-squeezed states to cubic-phase states with high fidelity (F=99.6, prob 7%)

[Zheng, ..., AF, Ferrini, PRX Quantum 2021; Hahn,,Holmvall, Stadler, Ferrini, AF, PRA 2022]

#### **Quantification of DVs resources: GKP-magic**

[Hahn, AF, Ferrini, Garcia-Alvarez, PRL 2022]

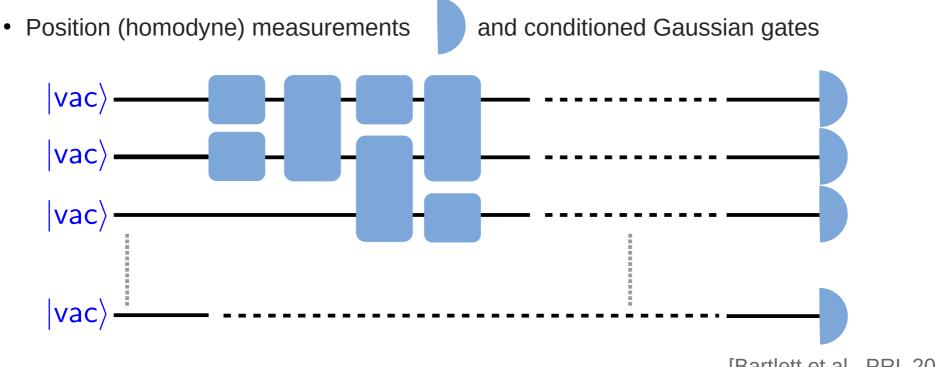




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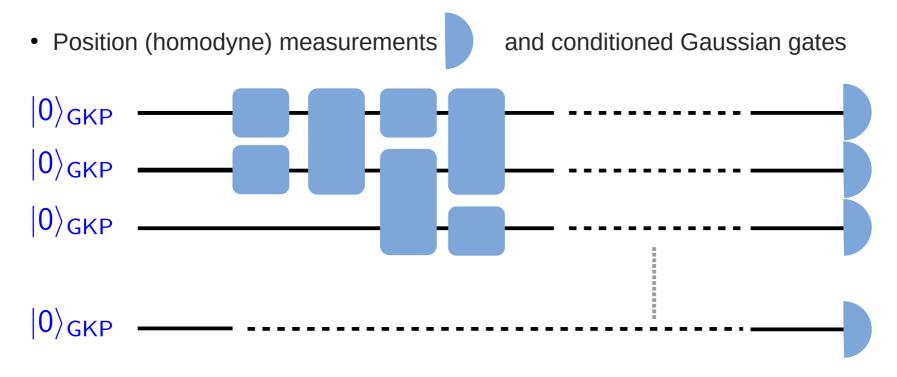
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#### And if we consider GKP input?

Gaussian circuits with **only** 0-GKP input can be simulated efficiently on a classical computer:

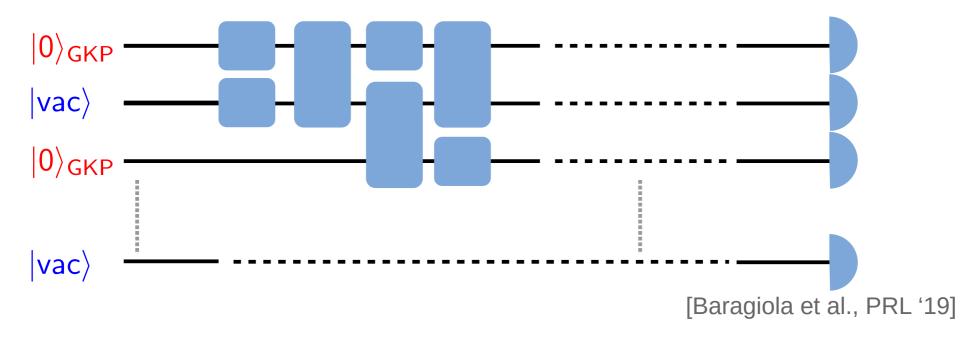
- CV circuits initialized in  $|0\rangle_{GKP}$
- Gaussian gates (linear and quadratic interactions, ...)



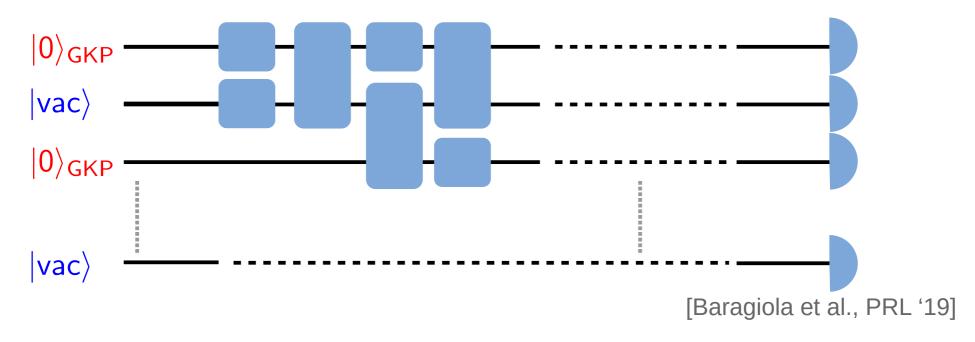
#### No quantum advantage despite Wigner negativity

[García-Álvarez, Calcluth, AF, Ferrini, PRR 2020; Calcluth, AF, Ferrini, Quantum 2022 & arXiv:2205.09781]

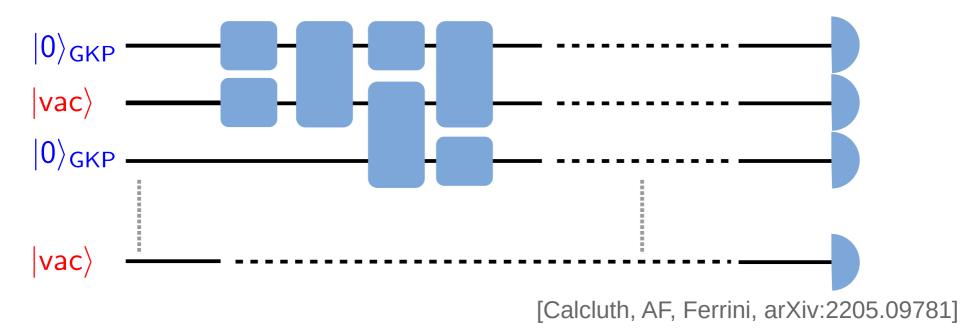
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Vacuum provides quantum advantage to otherwise simulatable circuits





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Wigner negativity and classical simulatability







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Available positions:

EIC Pathfinder 2 post-docs and 1 PhD PRIN 2 post-docs



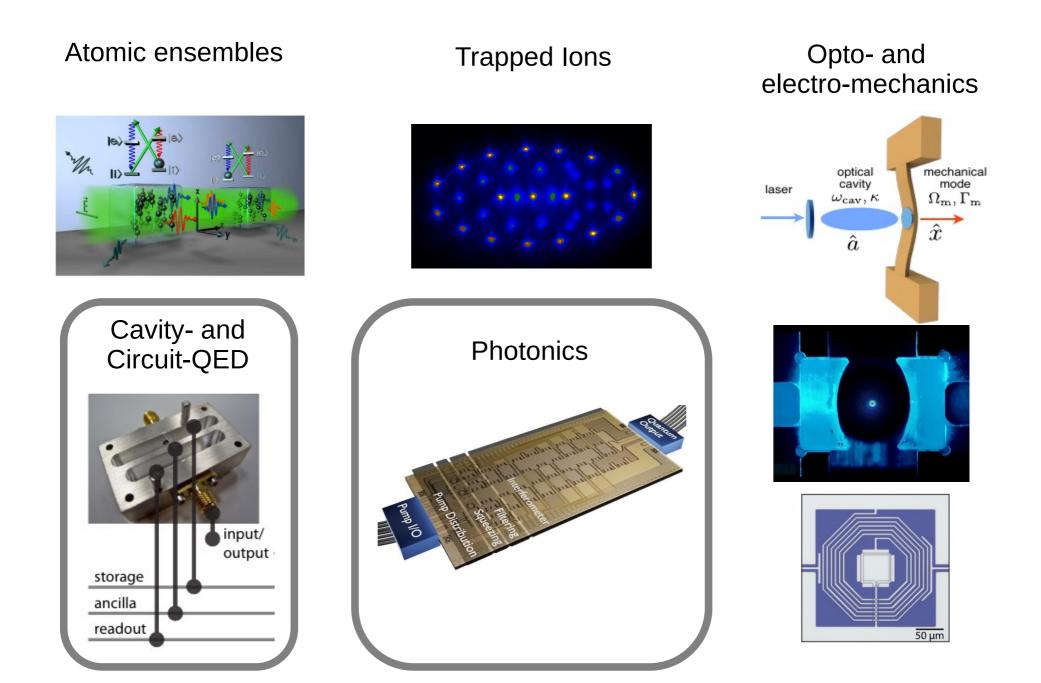






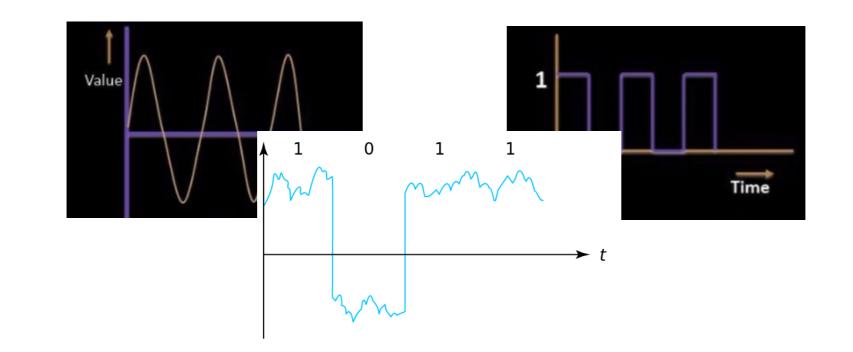
#### A lot of the quantum world is "CVs"





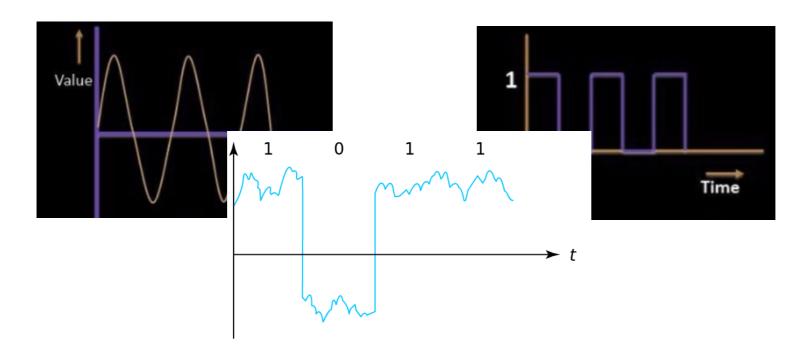


#### **Digitizing CVs classical signals**

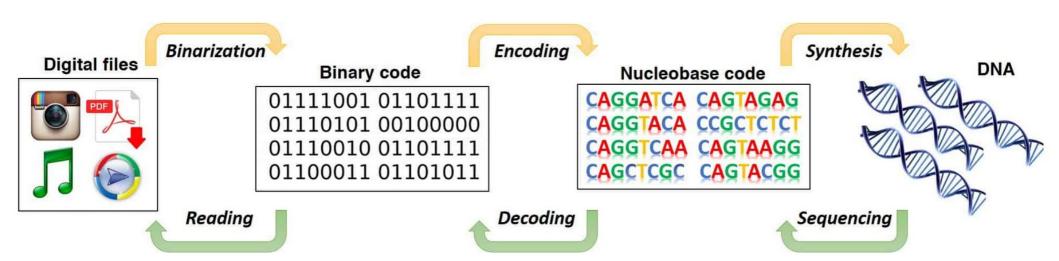




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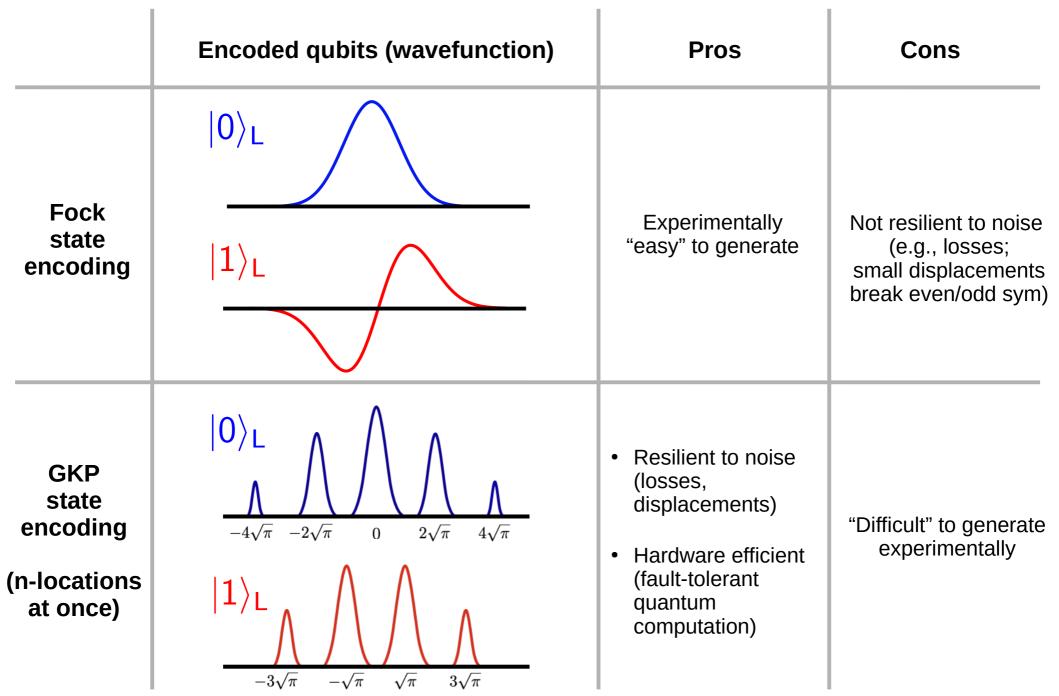


**Note:** for classical systems DVs are more the exception than the rule!

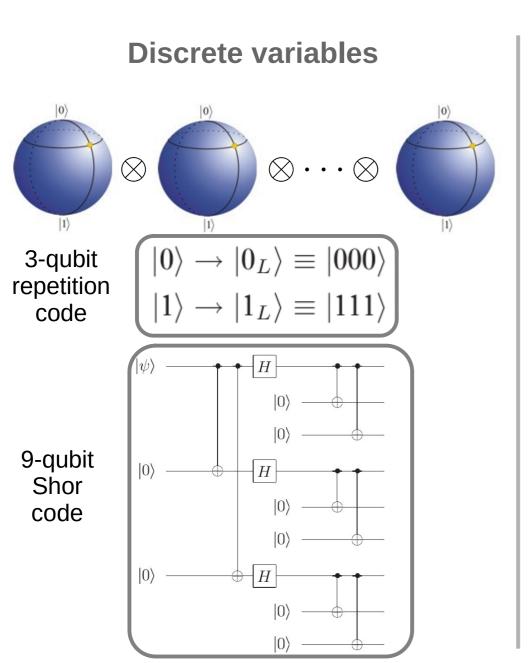


# Digitizing quantum CVs: bosonic encoding

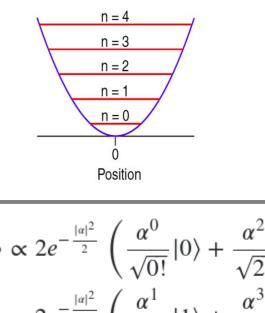




### Two pigeons with one stone: hardware efficiency and resilience to noise



**Continuous variables** 



$$|\operatorname{cat}_{\operatorname{even}}\rangle \propto 2e^{-\frac{|\alpha|^2}{2}} \left(\frac{\alpha^0}{\sqrt{0!}}|0\rangle + \frac{\alpha^2}{\sqrt{2!}}|2\rangle + \ldots\right)$$
$$|\operatorname{cat}_{\operatorname{odd}}\rangle \propto 2e^{-\frac{|\alpha|^2}{2}} \left(\frac{\alpha^1}{\sqrt{1!}}|1\rangle + \frac{\alpha^3}{\sqrt{3!}}|3\rangle + \ldots\right)$$

Cat code

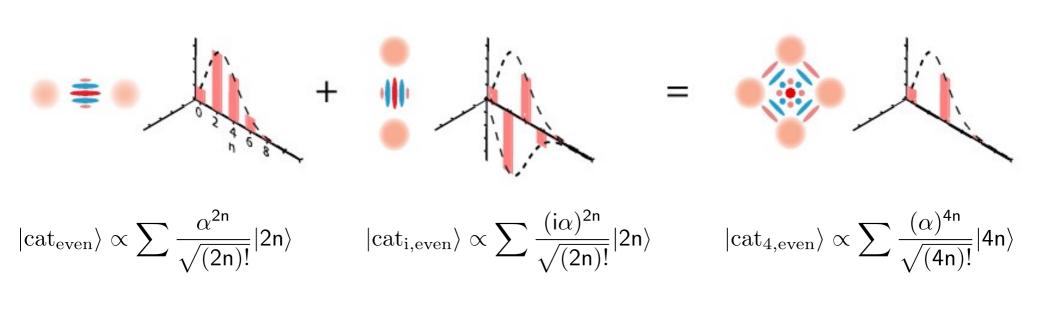
$$|0\rangle_L = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |4\rangle)$$
$$|1\rangle_L = |2\rangle$$

Binomial code



### CV codes (II): 4-headed cat code

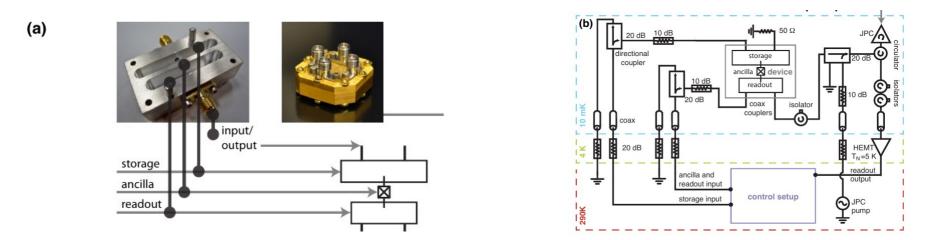




$$|\operatorname{cat}_{4,\operatorname{even}}\rangle \propto \frac{(\alpha)^{0}}{\sqrt{(0)!}}|0\rangle + \frac{(\alpha)^{4}}{\sqrt{(4)!}}|4\rangle + \frac{(\alpha)^{8}}{\sqrt{(8)!}}|8\rangle + \dots$$

# Extending the lifetime of a quantum bit with error correction in superconducting circuits

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Photon loss can be corrected (code cycle: monitoring plus mapping to transmon with the proper mapping function depending on the syndrome monitoring):  $|0_{L}^{+}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\alpha\rangle + |-\alpha\rangle) + |1_{L}^{+}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|i\alpha\rangle + |-i\alpha\rangle) + |X_{L}^{+}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|C_{\alpha}^{+}\rangle + |C_{i\alpha}^{+}\rangle) + |1_{L}^{+}\rangle = \sqrt{2}e^{-\frac{|\alpha|^{2}}{2}}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}\frac{\alpha^{2n}}{\sqrt{(2n)!}}|2n\rangle = \sqrt{2}e^{-\frac{|\alpha|^{2}}{2}}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}\frac{(i\alpha)^{2n}}{\sqrt{(2n)!}}|2n\rangle = 2e^{-\frac{|\alpha|^{2}}{2}}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}\frac{\alpha^{4n}}{\sqrt{(4n)!}}|4n\rangle$  PHYSICAL REVIEW A, VOLUME 64, 012310

### Encoding a qubit in an oscillator

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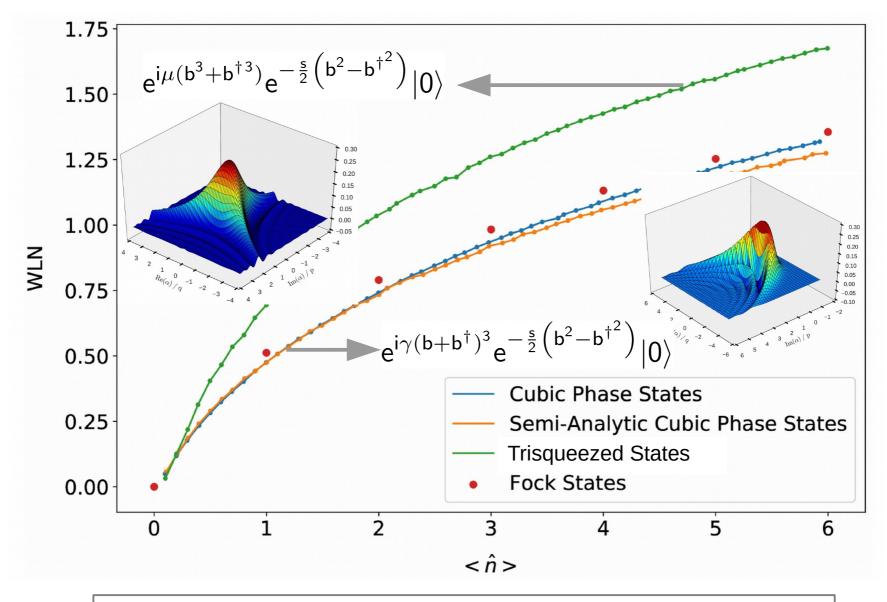
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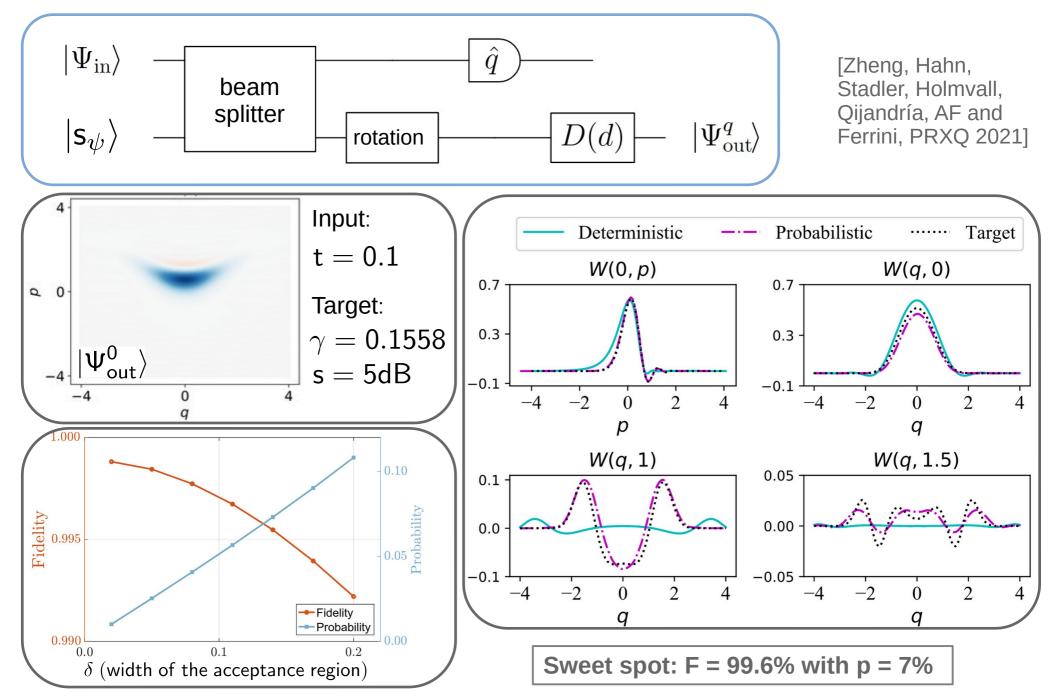
# **Resourcefulness comparison (at fixed energy)**



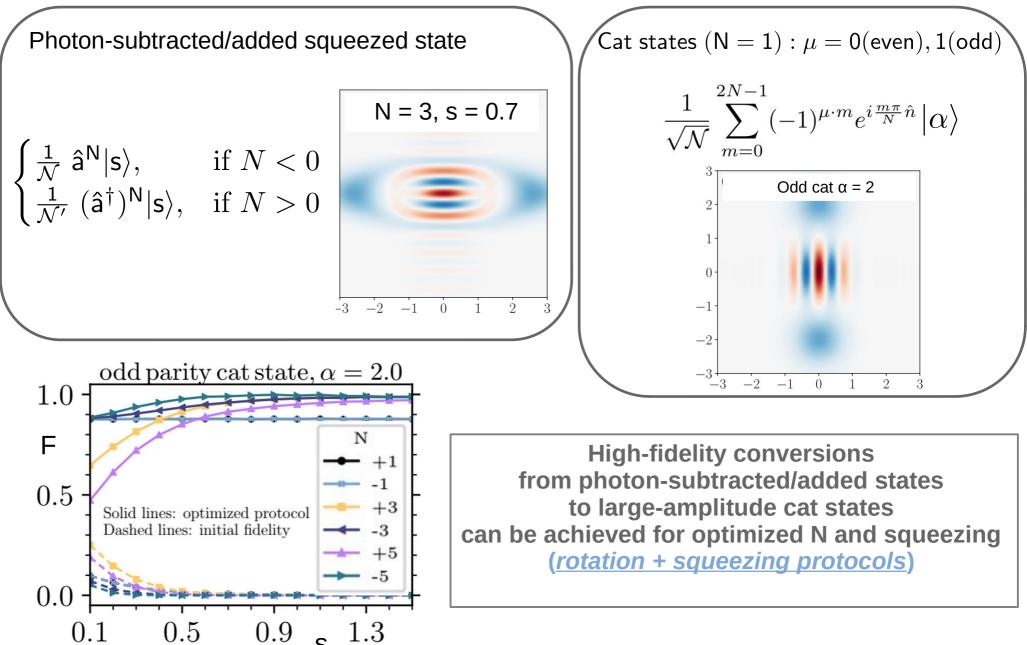
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## **Resource conversion: Trisqueezed to Cubic-Phase State**



# **Resource conversion:** photon-subtracted/added and cat states



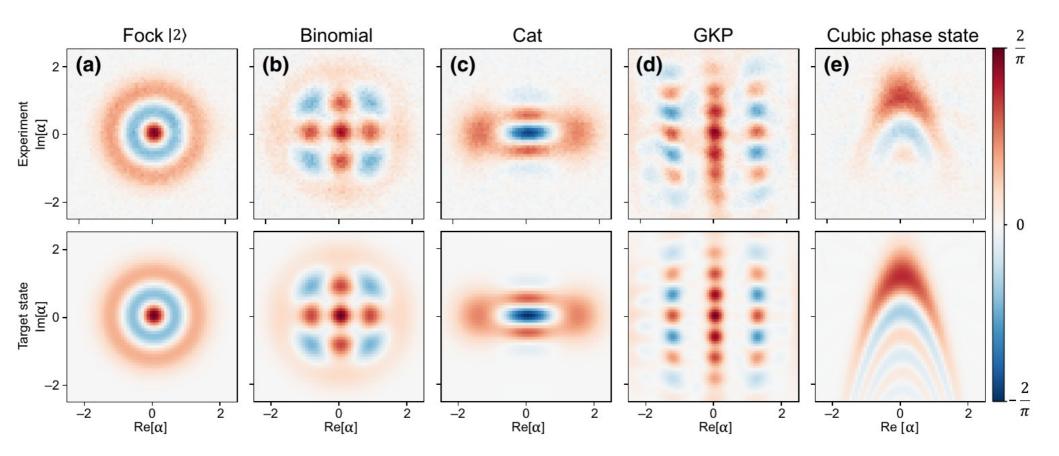
[Hahn, Holmvall, Stadler, Ferrini, AF, PRA 2022]

## Many resource states in labs



#### PRX QUANTUM 3, 030301 (2022) Robust Preparation of Wigner-Negative States with Optimized SNAP-Displacement Sequences

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#### Universal control of an oscillator with dispersive coupling to a qubit

Stefan Krastanov,<sup>1</sup> Victor V. Albert,<sup>1</sup> Chao Shen,<sup>1</sup> Chang-Ling Zou,<sup>1,2</sup> Reinier W. Heeres,<sup>1</sup> Brian Vlastakis,<sup>1</sup> Robert J. Schoelkopf,<sup>1</sup> and Liang Jiang<sup>1</sup>

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_0 + \hat{H}_1 + \hat{H}_2,$$

with a dispersively coupled qubit and oscillator

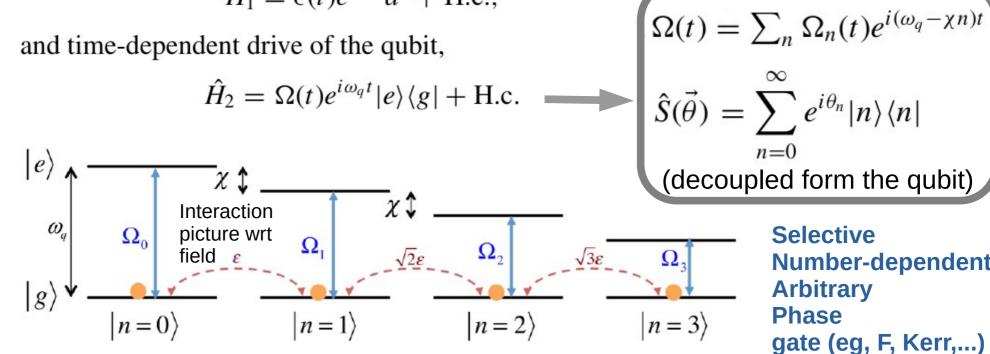
$$\hat{H}_0 = \omega_q |e\rangle \langle e| + \omega_c \hat{n} - \chi |e\rangle \langle e|\hat{n},$$

time-dependent drive of the oscillator,

$$\hat{H}_1 = \epsilon(t)e^{i\omega_c t}\hat{a}^{\dagger} + \text{H.c.},$$

and time-dependent drive of the qubit,

$$\hat{H}_2 = \Omega(t)e^{i\omega_q t}|e\rangle\langle g| + \text{H.c.}$$

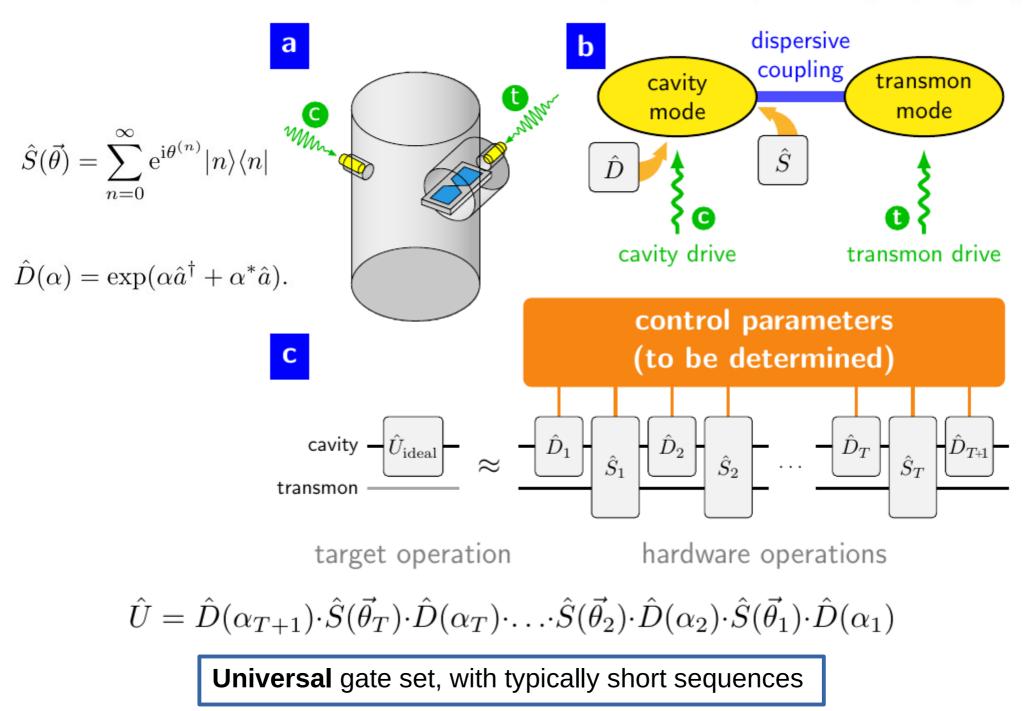


 $\hat{D}(\alpha) = \exp(\alpha \hat{a}^{\dagger} - \alpha^* \hat{a})$ 



### Efficient cavity control with SNAP gates

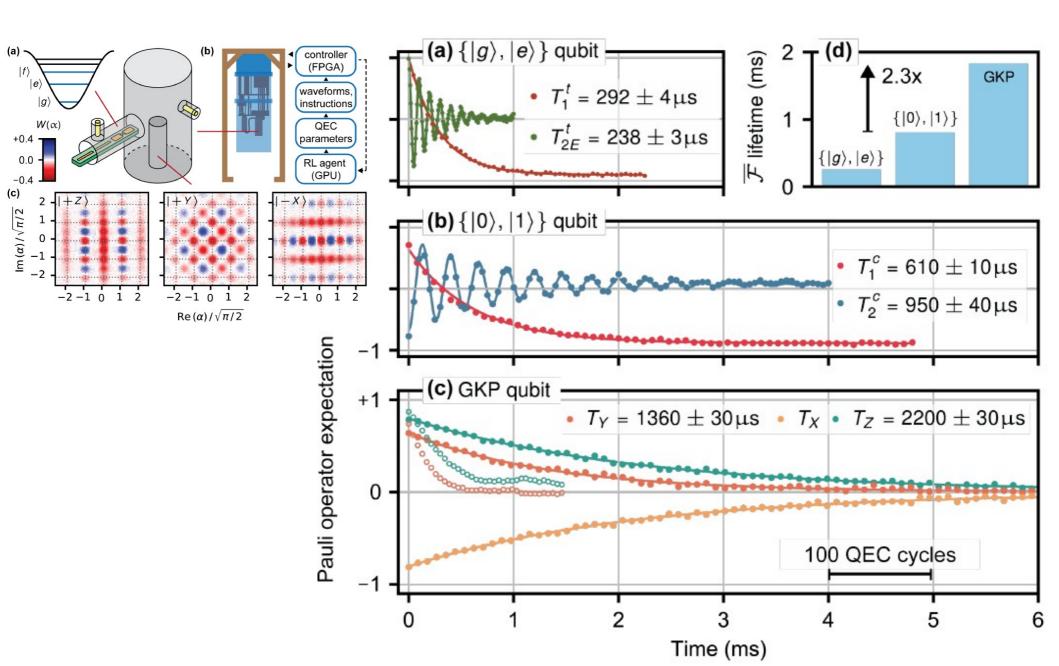
Thomas Fösel, Stefan Krastanov, Florian Marquardt, Liang Jiang





#### Real-time quantum error correction beyond break-even

V. V. Sivak, A. Eickbusch, B. Royer, S. Singh, I. Tsioutsios, S. Ganjam, A. Miano, B. L. Ding, L. Frunzio, S. M. Girvin, R. J. Schoelkopf, M. H. Devoret





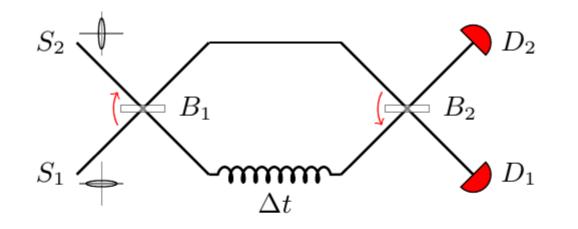


FIG. 2. Temporal-mode GPEPS construction of a CV quantum wire using passive squeezing and linear optics. Two single-mode squeezers  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  generate vacuum  $\hat{p}$ - and  $\hat{q}$ -squeezed pulses of light (respectively, as shown) at regular intervals  $\Delta t$ . These pass through a simple 50:50 beamsplitter  $B_1$ , resulting in a two-mode squeezed state. (Red arrows point from the first node to the second in Eq. [18] for each beamsplitter.) The delay loop in the bottom line delays the bottom mode by  $\Delta t$ , allowing it to match up with the top mode of the subsequent pair emerging from  $B_1$ , resulting schematically in the graph shown in Eq. [21]. The second 50:50 beamsplitter  $B_2$  implements sequentially each of the transformations indicated by the red arrows, resulting in the final graph of Eq. [22]. These pulses

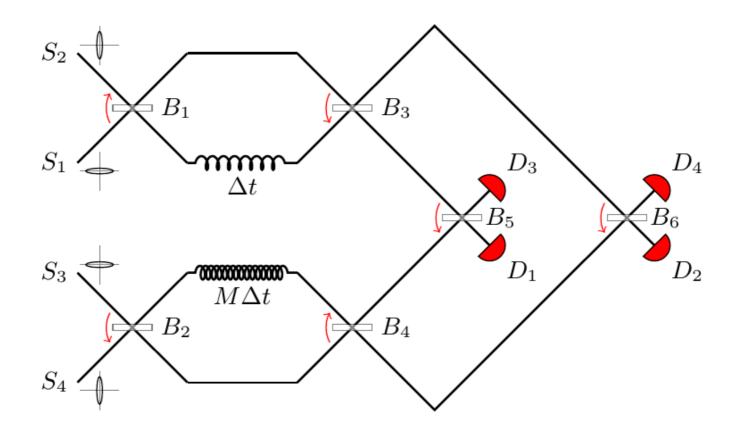
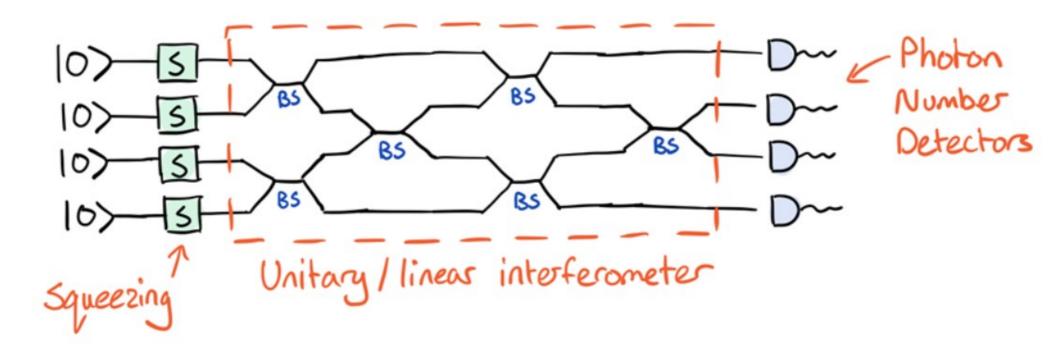


FIG. 4. Temporal-mode GPEPS construction of a square-lattice CV cluster state using passive squeezing and linear optics. Two copies of the quantum-wire setup from Figure 2 are used to generate the lattice. The upper one has the ordinary delay of  $\Delta t$  and corresponds to the vertical links in Figure 3 (top). The longer delay of  $M\Delta t$  in the lower one gives the second threading of the wire and corresponds to the horizontal links in Figure 3 (top). Beamsplitters  $B_3$  and  $B_4$  implement the transformations indicated by red arrows in Eq. (26). (Red arrows point from the first node to the second in Eq. (18) for each beamsplitter.) Following this, the 50:50 beamsplitters  $B_5$  and  $B_6$  implement the transformations indicated by red arrows in Eq. (27), eventually resulting in the state with graph Z from Eq. (25).





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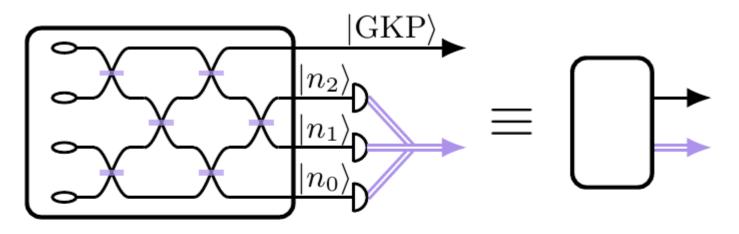


Figure 1: GBS devices for state preparation. (left) A single integrated photonic device implementing GBS-based preparation of non-Gaussian states based on the schemes presented in Refs. [27–30]. The emitted light from one output port is in a chosen non-Gaussian state subject to obtaining the correct click pattern  $\{n_i\}$  at the PNR detectors connected to the remaining output ports. The double purple lines represent classical logic, which is used to trigger a switch on the emitted port. (right) A simplified representation of a single GBS device.



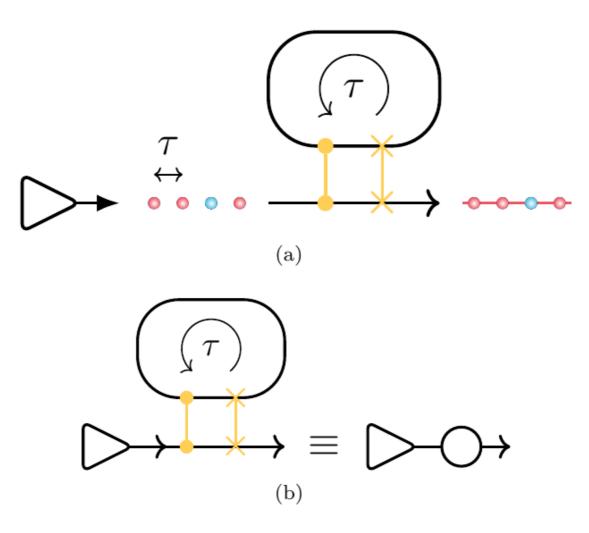
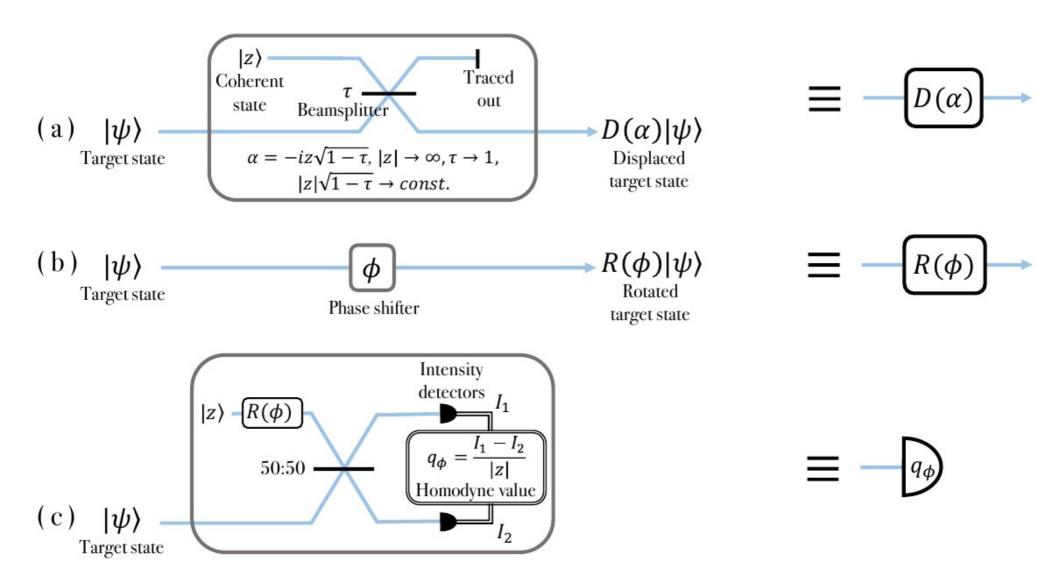


Figure 4: Generating 1D qubit cluster in the time domain. (a) On the left, a 'GBS factory' comprising multiplexed GBS devices is used to generate the sequence of pulses, where each pulse contains either a GKP  $|+\rangle$  state or a momentum-squeezed state. Each input interacts with the previous input (which is in the loop) via a CZ gate, enters the loop mode via the swap, interacts with the next mode, and then is swapped into the output mode by the same swap. (b) Simplified diagram for 1D time-domain cluster state source.

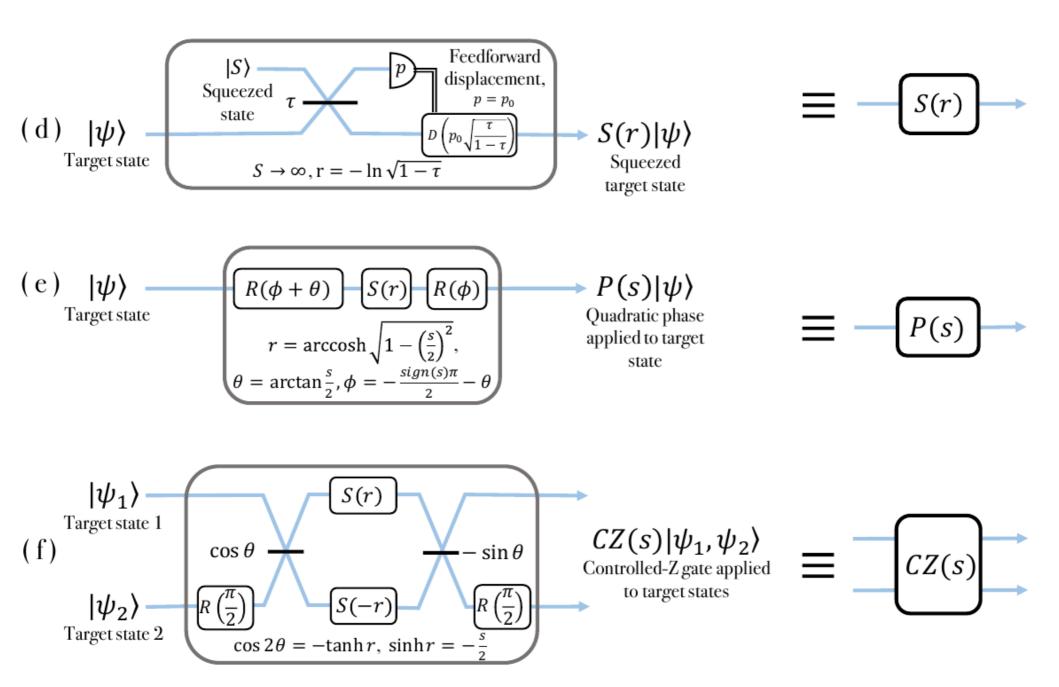


Figure 16: A review of optical implementations of the gates and measurements required for Clifford operations in the GKP encoding, including limits required to achieve ideal, perfect CV gate application. (a) A general displacement module [176]. Displacement by  $\sqrt{\pi}$  in q(p) corresponds to a GKP qubit Pauli X(Z) gate. (b) Rotation module as performed by e.g. an optical thermoelectric heating element.  $\phi = \pi/2$  corresponds to the CV Fourier transform as well as the GKP-qubit Hadamard gate. (c) Homodyne measurement module. Changing the rotation  $\phi$  changes the axis in phase space along which the measurement is performed.  $\phi = 0$  ( $\pi/2$ ) corresponds to q(p) homodyne measurement, which is the GKP qubit Pauli Z(X) measurement. (d) Measurement-based squeezing module [168]. On-demand, in-line squeezing is in general required for implementing CV quadratic phase and Controlled-X/phase gates, and a measurement-based approach allows for offline preparation of squeezed resource state. (e) Quadratic phase gate module [177].  $s = \pm 1$  corresponds to the GKP qubit phase gate. (f) CV CZ gate module.  $s = \pm 1$  corresponds to the GKP qubit phase gate. (f) CV CZ gate implements a CV CX gate [177] with Target state 1 becoming the control and Target state 2 becoming the target, and thus a GKP qubit CNOT gate.











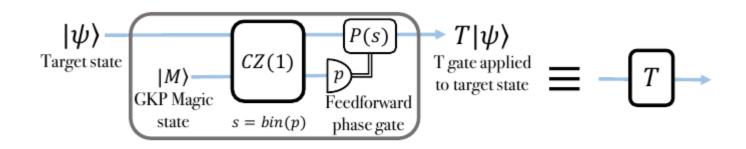


Figure 17: Optical implementation of the GKP qubit T gate up to global phase, following the method from [20]. Here, in the ideal limit,  $|M\rangle = e^{-i\pi/8} |+\rangle_{\rm gkp} + e^{i\pi/8} |-\rangle_{\rm gkp}$ , and the feedforward phase gate is applied if the ancillary mode detects  $|-\rangle_{\rm gkp}$  via a qubit X measurement (CV p homodyne).





### Which type of components are needed ?

