

Math behind the process of zeroing ϕ :

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|H\rangle|H\rangle + e^{i\phi}|V\rangle|V\rangle)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \left((|D\rangle+|A\rangle)(|D\rangle+|A\rangle) + e^{i\phi} (|D\rangle-|A\rangle)(|D\rangle-|A\rangle) \right)$$

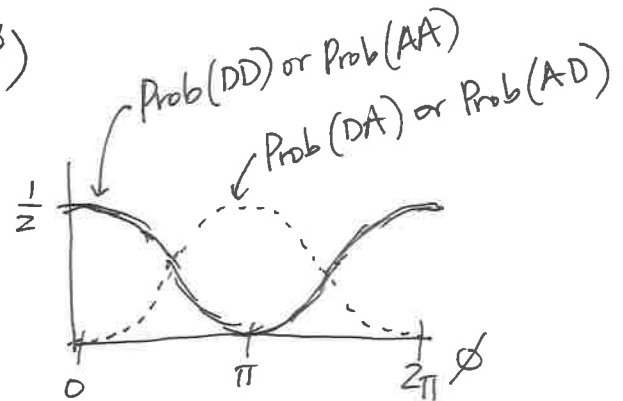
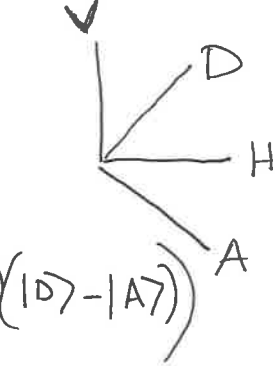
$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \left[(1+e^{i\phi})(|D\rangle|D\rangle + |A\rangle|A\rangle) + (1-e^{i\phi})(|D\rangle|A\rangle + |A\rangle|D\rangle) \right]$$

$$\text{Prob}(AA) = \text{Prob}(DD) = \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 (1+e^{i\phi})(1+e^{-i\phi})$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} (2+2\cos\phi)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cos^2\left(\frac{\phi}{2}\right)$$

$$\text{Prob}(DA) = \text{Prob}(AD) = \frac{1}{2} \sin^2\left(\frac{\phi}{2}\right)$$



Average value of ϕ is zero when $\text{Prob}(DD)$ is maximized and $\text{Prob}(DA)$ is minimized.

Math behind the entanglement purity measurement:

We assume we are dealing with state $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|H\rangle|H\rangle + |V\rangle|V\rangle)$ with probability p and state $\{50\% |H\rangle|H\rangle, 50\% |V\rangle|V\rangle\}$ w/ prob $(1-p)$.

Here p is the purity of the entangled state.

With probability $1-p$, we will get equal rates of DD , AA , DA , and AD .

With probability p , we will get DD and AA pairs but no DA or AD pairs.

If we measure N_{tot} total pairs, we can expect $N_{DA} = (1-p) \frac{N_{\text{tot}}}{4} = N_{AD}$

$$N_{DD} = (1-p) \frac{N_{\text{tot}}}{4} + p \frac{N_{\text{tot}}}{2} = N_{AA}$$

$$\dots \text{so } \left. \begin{aligned} N_{DA} = N_{AD} &= \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{p}{4}\right) N_{\text{tot}} \\ N_{DD} = N_{AA} &= \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{p}{4}\right) N_{\text{tot}} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\text{Thus } \frac{N_{DD} - N_{DA}}{N_{DD} + N_{DA}} = \frac{\frac{p}{2} N_{\text{tot}}}{\frac{1}{2} N_{\text{tot}}} = p$$

If we measure the rates of DD and DA coincidences well, we can calculate the purity of the entangled state under our assumptions.