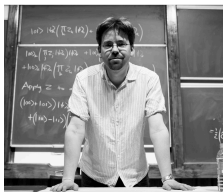


Sub-wavelength quantum imaging for astronomy and LIDAR detection

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The Rayleigh Criterion

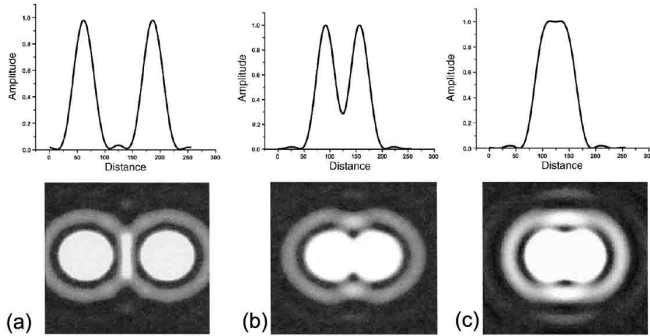


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Minimum resolvable angular separation

$$\theta \approx 1.22 \frac{\lambda}{D}$$

The Rayleigh Criterion

Task: estimate θ_2

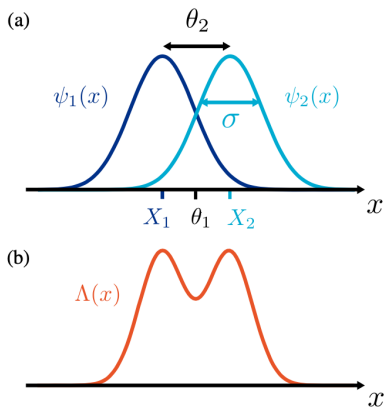


Figure: [1] Tsang et al., Phys. Rev. X 6, 031033 (2016)

Quantum metrology

Cramer-Rao bound:

$$\Delta^2\theta = \langle\theta^2\rangle - \langle\theta\rangle^2 \geq \frac{1}{\nu I(\theta)}$$

Fisher information:

$$I(\theta) = \sum_i p(i|\theta) \left(\frac{\partial \log[p(i|\theta)]}{\partial \theta} \right)^2$$

Quantum state:

$$\rho_\varphi = \sum_j \lambda_j |j\rangle \langle j|$$

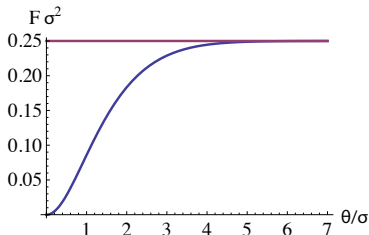
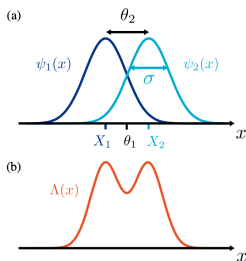
Quantum Fisher information

$$F(\rho_\theta) = \sum_{\lambda_j + \lambda_k \neq 0} 2 \frac{|\langle j | \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \theta} | k \rangle|^2}{\lambda_j + \lambda_k},$$

Superresolution of two sources

Model: two incoherent, quasi-monochromatic point sources

$$\rho \approx \frac{1}{2}(|\psi_1\rangle\langle\psi_1| + |\psi_2\rangle\langle\psi_2|), \quad |\psi_i\rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_i(x) |x\rangle$$

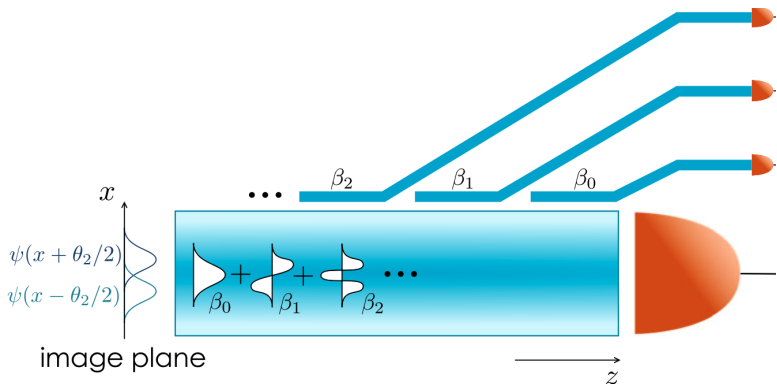


$$F(\theta_2) = \frac{1}{4\sigma^2}$$

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Optimal measurement

Optimal measurement: $FI = QFI$



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Quantum metrology for superresolution

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Ultimate Precision Bound of Quantum and Subwavelength Imaging

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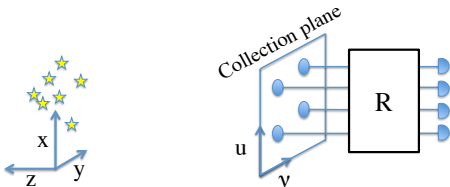
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Arbitrary number of sources



N_s incoherent sources, quasi-monochromatic, coordinate \vec{r}_s .
 N_c collectors, position $\vec{\omega}_j$. Photon impinging $\rightarrow |j\rangle$

$$|\psi(r_s)\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_c}} \sum_j^{N_c} e^{i\phi(\vec{r}_s, \vec{\omega}_j)} |j\rangle,$$

$$\rho = \sum_s^{N_s} p(s) |\psi(r_s)\rangle \langle \psi(r_s)|$$

C Lupo, Z Huang, P Kok, Phys. Rev. Lett. 124, 080503 (2020)

Quantum metrology

Coordinates of the sources: $\vec{r} = (x_1, y_1, z_1, \dots, x_{N_s}, y_{N_s}, z_{N_s})$

A unit vector with $3N_s$ components: $\vec{a} = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{3N_s})$

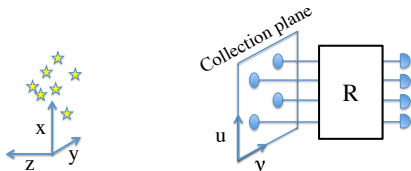
A generalised coordinate $\theta = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{r}$,

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Quantum Fisher information

$$F(\rho_\theta) = \sum_{\lambda_j + \lambda_k \neq 0} 2 \frac{|\langle j | \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \theta} | k \rangle|^2}{\lambda_j + \lambda_k}, \quad \rho_\theta = \sum_j \lambda_j |j\rangle \langle j|$$

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Purification: $\rho \rightarrow |\Psi(\vec{r}_s)\rangle = \sum_{j,s} \sqrt{p(s)} e^{i\phi(\vec{r}_s, \vec{\omega}_j)} |j\rangle |s\rangle$

$$\vec{a} = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{3N_s}), \quad \vec{r} = (x_1, y_1, z_1, \dots, x_{N_s}, y_{N_s}, z_{N_s})$$
$$\theta = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{r}, \quad \delta\theta = \vec{a} \cdot (r' - r)$$

$$\text{QFI}(\theta) = \lim_{\delta\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{8(1 - f_{r,r'})}{\delta\theta^2}$$
$$f_{r,r'} = \max_V |\langle \Psi(r) | I \otimes V | \Psi(r') \rangle|$$

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Achieving the QFI

- ▶ QFI for θ reduces down to a matrix trace norm
 $\|M\|_1 = \text{Tr}(\sqrt{M^\dagger M})$, M depends on $p(s)$ and the optical paths
- ▶ QFI can be achieved with linear optical unitary + photon counting.

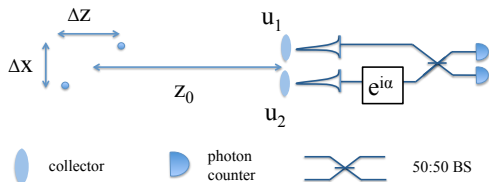
$$|\psi(r_s)\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_c}} \sum_j^{N_c} e^{i\phi(\vec{r}_s, \vec{\omega}_j)} |j\rangle$$

Define

$$U(r_s) = \exp[-i(\hat{g}_x x_s + \hat{g}_y y_s + \hat{g}_z z_s)]$$
$$|\psi(r_s)\rangle = U(r_s) |\psi(0)\rangle$$

$\hat{g}_x, \hat{g}_y, \hat{g}_z \propto$ the positions of the collectors

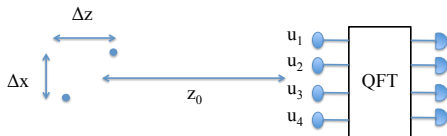
An example: two sources



To estimate Δx , $u = (u_1 - u_2)$

$$F\left(\frac{\Delta x}{z_0}\right) \propto (\langle g_x^2 \rangle - \langle g_x \rangle^2) = \frac{1}{4}(\langle u^2 \rangle - \langle u \rangle^2) \quad (1)$$

Precision is characterized by the variance of the spatial distribution of the collectors.



- ▶ We solve the problem of determining a 3D position of an arbitrary number of sources
- ▶ Linear interferometry and photon counting are optimal
- ▶ Explicit construction of the interferometer
- ▶ We provide insight into why coherent detection overcomes the Rayleigh curse by recasting imaging as interferometry at the outset.

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Different methods

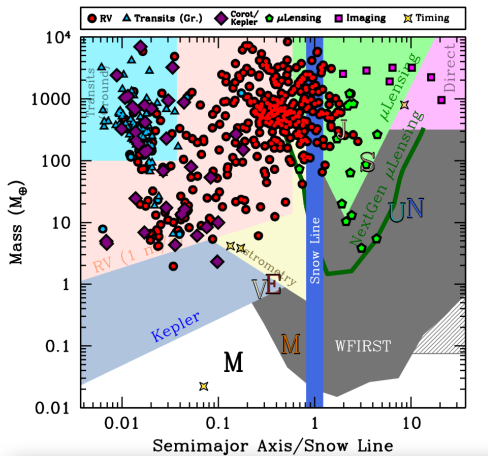


Figure: taken from Wright et al., arXiv:1210.2471 [astro-ph.EP]

1 or 2 sources?

Two hypotheses H_a, H_b
Classical: $p_a(x), p_b(x)$, quantum: ρ_a, ρ_b

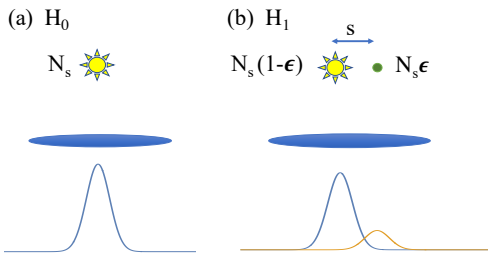


Figure: (a) The scenario where there is only 1 source. (b) There are two near-by sources present.

Quantum state discrimination

1. Symmetric discrimination: trace distance - quantum Chernoff bound [8], $P_e \sim \exp[-N f(T)]$

$$T_c(p_a, p_b) = 1/2 \int dx |p_a(x) - p_b(x)|$$

$$T_Q(\rho_a, \rho_b) = 1/2 \|\rho_a - \rho_b\|_1$$

2. Asymmetric: relative entropy - quantum Stein lemma [9],

$$P_e \sim \exp[-NS + O(\epsilon^{-1}, \ln N)]$$

$$S_c(p_a || p_b) = \int dx p_a(x) (\log_2 p_a(x) - \log_2 p_b(x))$$

$$S_Q(\rho_a || \rho_b) = \text{Tr}[\rho_a (\log_2 \rho_a - \log_2 \rho_b)]$$

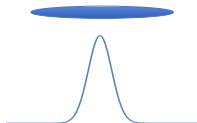
[8] Audenaert et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 98, 160501 (2007)

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Classical probability distributions

(a) H_0

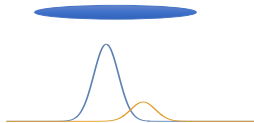
N_s 



(b) H_1

$N_s(1-\epsilon)$  $N_s\epsilon$

$\leftarrow s \rightarrow$

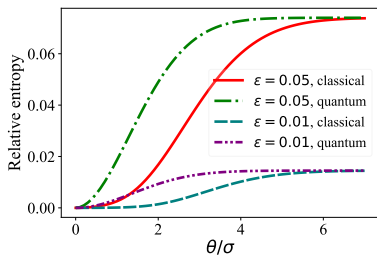
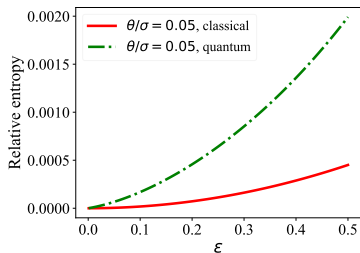


Classical relative entropy:

$$S_c(p_a||p_b) \approx \frac{2\theta^2\epsilon^2}{\sigma^2 \log(16)} + \frac{\theta^4\epsilon^2}{\sigma^4 \log(16)} - \frac{4\theta^4\epsilon^3}{\sigma^4 \log(16)}$$

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Classical vs Quantum



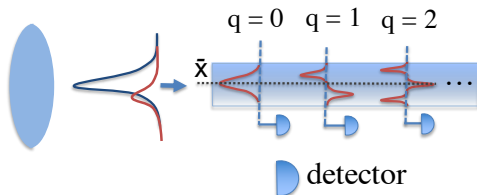
Classical relative entropy:

$$S_c(\rho_a||\rho_b) \approx \frac{2\theta^2\epsilon^2}{\sigma^2 \log(16)}$$

Quantum relative entropy;

$$D(\rho_a||\rho_b) \approx \frac{\theta^2\epsilon}{4\sigma^2 \log(2)} + O(\epsilon^2\theta^2).$$

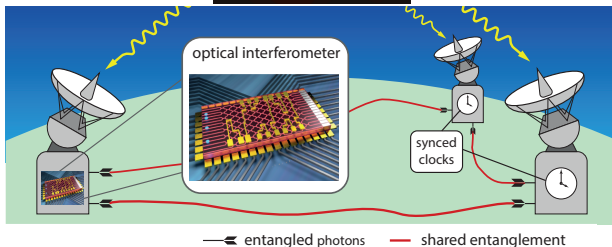
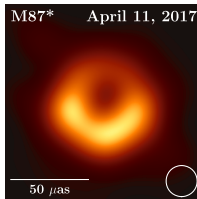
Optimal measurement and conclusions



- ▶ We compute the type-II error probability exponent of discriminating between 1 or two sources with arbitrary intensity.
- ▶ in the limit that $\epsilon \ll 1$, the quantum relative entropy is larger than that of direct imaging by a factor of $1/\epsilon$.

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To the future



- ▶ Long-distance optical coherence, entanglement-assisted network
- ▶ Quantum error correction to combat to loss to decoherence
- ▶ Current collaborations: Bristol, Heriot-Watt, Erlangen

To the future

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Questions?

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Figure: (Left) my hamster; (right) one of my Indian ringneck parakeets