

Changing Fock matrix elements of two-mode squeezed vacuum state by employing three conditional operations in one-sided lossy channel

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Abstract

This paper focuses on changing Fock matrix elements of two-mode squeezed vacuum state (TMSVS) by employing three conditional operations in one-sided lossy channel. These three conditional operations include one-photon replacement (OPR), one-photon subtraction (OPS) and one-photon addition (OPA). Indeed, three conditional quantum states have been generated from the original TMSVS. Using the characteristic function (CF) representation of quantum density operator, we derive the analytical expressions of their Fock matrix elements, which depend on the interaction parameters, including the squeezing parameter of the input TMSVS, the loss factor and the transmissivity of the variable beam splitter. For convenience of discussion, we only give the Fock matrices in the subspace span $\{|00\rangle, |01\rangle, |10\rangle, |02\rangle, |11\rangle, |20\rangle\}$ for these two-mode states. Obviously, the TMSVS only has the populations in $|00\rangle$ and $|11\rangle$ in such subspace. By comparing the generated states with the TMSVS, we find that: (1) the generated state after OPR will remain the populations in $|00\rangle$ and $|11\rangle$, and add the populations in $|10\rangle$ and $|20\rangle$; (2) the generated state after OPS will lost the populations in $|00\rangle$ and $|11\rangle$, but add the populations in $|10\rangle$ and $|20\rangle$; (3) the generated state after OPA will remain the population only in $|11\rangle$ and add the population in $|01\rangle$.

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1. Introduction

Quantum state tomography, as a standard approach to characterize unknown quantum state, is often to construct a density matrix from which some other information can be inferred. People can retrieve desired information about a quantum state by performing multiple tomographic measurements (also the so-called projective measurements in different bases) [1]. The most common measurement is the homodyne measurement. Through homodyne measurement,

one can obtain a large amount of data, which can be converted into the state's density matrix and/or Wigner function by resorting to mathematical methods, such as the inverse Randon transformation, the pattern-function method and the likelihood maximization algorithm [2]. In other words, the unknown quantum state can be reconstructed in the representation of a density matrix, either in the quadrature basis or in the photon-number (Fock) basis. Recently, complete information about excited coherent states has been analyzed by the optical tomography by Almarashia *et al* [3].

Table 1. Fock matrix elements of two-mode density operator ρ in subspace span $\{|00\rangle, |01\rangle, |10\rangle, |02\rangle, |11\rangle, |20\rangle, \dots\}$.

ρ$	|00\rangle$	$|01\rangle$	$|10\rangle$	$|02\rangle$	$|11\rangle$	$|20\rangle$	...
$\langle 00|$	$p_{00,00}$	$p_{00,01}$	$p_{00,10}$	$p_{00,02}$	$p_{00,11}$	$p_{00,20}$	...
$\langle 01|$	$p_{01,00}$	$p_{01,01}$	$p_{01,10}$	$p_{01,02}$	$p_{01,11}$	$p_{01,20}$	...
$\langle 10|$	$p_{10,00}$	$p_{10,01}$	$p_{10,10}$	$p_{10,02}$	$p_{10,11}$	$p_{10,20}$	...
$\langle 02|$	$p_{02,00}$	$p_{02,01}$	$p_{02,10}$	$p_{02,02}$	$p_{02,11}$	$p_{02,20}$	...
$\langle 11|$	$p_{11,00}$	$p_{11,01}$	$p_{11,10}$	$p_{11,02}$	$p_{11,11}$	$p_{11,20}$	...
$\langle 20|$	$p_{20,00}$	$p_{20,01}$	$p_{20,10}$	$p_{20,02}$	$p_{20,11}$	$p_{20,20}$	...
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\ddots

Theoretically, in order to find the information of quantum state, one choose projection operator in photon-number (Fock) basis to obtain its Fock matrix elements. Indeed, every quantum state can be expanded in the number state space and has its unique Fock matrix elements. For a one-mode quantum state, the density operator ρ can be written as $\rho = \sum_{n,m=0}^{\infty} p_{nm} |n\rangle\langle m|$ with $p_{nm} = \langle m| \rho |n\rangle$, in which the Fock matrix elements p_{nm} is corresponding to component $|n\rangle\langle m|$ in the space of density operator ρ . It should be emphasized that the elements p_{nm} represent populations (diagonal term $n = m$, real number) or coherences (off-diagonal $n \neq m$, often complex number). For example, the familiar thermal state, as a mixed state, has only the components $|n\rangle\langle n|$ ($n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$) with population element p_{nn} . The coherent state, as a typical pure state, has the components $|n\rangle\langle m|$ ($n, m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$) with elements p_{nm} (population or coherence). The single-mode squeezed vacuum state, also a pure state, has only the components $|2n\rangle\langle 2m|$ ($n, m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$) with elements $p_{2n,2m}$ [4, 5], which often was used as the typical optical field interacting with atomical system [6, 7].

Similarly, for a two-mode case, the density operator ρ_{ab} can be written in the two-mode photon-number basis

$$\rho_{ab} = \sum_{n_1, m_1, n_2, m_2=0}^{\infty} p_{n_1 m_1, n_2 m_2} |n_2\rangle_a \langle m_2|_b \times \langle n_1|_a \langle m_1|_b, \quad (1)$$

with $p_{n_1 m_1, n_2 m_2} = \langle n_1|_a \langle m_1|_b \rho_{ab} |n_2\rangle_a |m_2\rangle_b$, which shows Fock matrix element $p_{n_1 m_1, n_2 m_2}$ corresponding to component $|n_2\rangle_a |m_2\rangle_b \langle n_1|_a \langle m_1|_b$ in the space of two-mode density operator ρ_{ab} [8, 9]. It should be noted that $|n\rangle_a |m\rangle_b$ is often written as $|nm\rangle$ in this paper. Because the space of the two-mode density operator has infinite two-mode number bases span $\{|nm\rangle\}$ ($n, m = 0, 1, \dots, \infty$), we only study the Fock matrix elements in the subspace span $\{|00\rangle, |01\rangle, |10\rangle, |02\rangle, |11\rangle, |20\rangle\}$ for convenience of discussion, whose corresponding Fock matrix can also be expressed in table 1. As we all know, the two-mode squeezed vacuum state (TMSVS) is the primary entangled resource in continuous-variable system, which can be used to implement many quantum protocols, including continuous version of teleportation and quantum key distribution. In addition, as a maximum entangled state, the TMSVS has also been chosen as the typical optical field

interacting with atomical system [10]. Indeed, as a typical two-mode quantum state, the TMSVS has only the twin-Fock components with the form $|nm\rangle\langle mm|$ ($n, m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$). Needless to say, it is impossible to have non-twin-Fock components for the TMSVS. Therefore, it is urgent for us to think that whether we have some ways to change the Fock matrix elements for the TMSVS by using quantum operations. This is the key aim of our paper.

In recent years, some conditional operations, such as photon replacement, photon subtraction and photon addition, have attracted extensive attention of researchers. In fact, these schemes are related to conditional measurements, which are fruitful methods for quantum-state manipulation and engineering [11]. Many nonclassical states have been generated by conditional measurements theoretically or experimentally. In general, two quantum states in the two output ports of the lossless beam splitter (BS) are quantum-mechanically correlated with each other. If appropriate measurement is employed in one of the output ports, then conditional quantum state is generated in the other output port [12, 13]. In some conditional measurement schemes, new output state ρ_{out} is generated from the input state ρ_{in} in the main channel and the difference happen in the ancillary channel. For example, photon-replacement scheme has the feature that m -photon Fock state is input and the same m -photon Fock state is measured in ancillary channel. This strategy is also called as ‘quantum-optical catalysis’ [14–16]. The photon-subtraction scheme has the feature that m -photon Fock state is input and the bigger n -photon Fock state is measured in ancillary channel [17–19]. The photon-addition scheme has the feature that m -photon Fock state is input and the smaller n -photon Fock state is measured in ancillary channel [20, 21]. These non-Gaussian conditional operations have proven advantageous in many scenarios such as entanglement enhancement [22, 23] and teleportation improvement [24, 25]. On the other hand, the loss accompanied by conditional operations is unavoidable, which must be considered in realistic situation. Of course, losses may in principle be overcome by some quantum techniques [26–29].

Combining with the above ideas and approaches, we aim to change the Fock matrix elements of the TMSVS by employing conditional operations and considering the loss. The Fock matrix elements before and after operations are compared. Analytical and numerical results will be given in details. The paper is organized as follows: in section 2, we make a brief review of the TMSVS and introduce its Fock matrix elements. Here we raise the question of how their elements will be changed. In section 3, we induce three quantum states from the TMSVS, whose density operators are given. section 4 gives the analytical expressions of Fock matrix elements for three generated states. Numerical calculations about elements are made by choosing given interaction parameters in section 5. Our conclusions are summarized in the last section.

Table 2. Fock matrix elements of the TMSVS in subspace span $\{|00\rangle, |01\rangle, |10\rangle, |02\rangle, |11\rangle, |20\rangle, \dots\}$.

ρ_{TMSVS}}$	|00\rangle$	$|01\rangle$	$|10\rangle$	$|02\rangle$	$|11\rangle$	$|20\rangle$	\dots
$\langle 00|$	$1 - \lambda^2$	0	0	0	$\lambda(1 - \lambda^2)$	0	\dots
$\langle 01|$	0	0	0	0	0	0	\dots
$\langle 10|$	0	0	0	0	0	0	\dots
$\langle 02|$	0	0	0	0	0	0	\dots
$\langle 11|$	$\lambda(1 - \lambda^2)$	0	0	0	$\lambda^2(1 - \lambda^2)$	0	\dots
$\langle 20|$	0	0	0	0	0	0	\dots
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\ddots

2. TMSVS and its Fock matrix elements

In this section, we make a brief review of the TMSVS and introduce its Fock matrix elements. To begin with, we introduce the two-mode squeezing operator [30]

$$S(r) = \exp[r(a^\dagger b^\dagger - ab)], \tag{2}$$

where a and b are the annihilation operators for the two modes and r is the real squeezing parameter. By operating $S(r)$ on the two-mode vacuum $|00\rangle$, we can obtain the TMSVS

$$S(r)|00\rangle = \sqrt{1 - \lambda^2} \exp(\lambda a^\dagger b^\dagger)|00\rangle \tag{3}$$

with $\lambda = \tanh r$. Obviously, the TMSVS can be written in number basis as follows

$$S(r)|00\rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n |nm\rangle = c_0|00\rangle + c_1|11\rangle + \dots \tag{4}$$

with $c_n = \lambda^n \sqrt{1 - \lambda^2}$. The obvious fact is that the TMSVS is only the superposition of the twin Fock state, that is, $|00\rangle, |11\rangle, \dots$. It is impossible for the TMSVS to contain non-twin-Fock state $|nm\rangle$ with $n \neq m$, such as $|01\rangle, |10\rangle, |02\rangle, |12\rangle, \dots$.

Correspondingly, the density operator of the TMSVS can be expressed as

$$\rho_{\text{TMSVS}} = S(r)|00\rangle\langle 00| S^\dagger(r). \tag{5}$$

Using equation (4), it can be also expanded as

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{\text{TMSVS}} = & c_0 c_0 |00\rangle\langle 00| + c_0 c_1 |00\rangle\langle 11| + \dots \\ & + c_1 c_0 |11\rangle\langle 00| + c_1 c_1 |11\rangle\langle 11| + \dots \\ & + \dots, \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

where the density operator only contains the twin-Fock components. Obviously, in our considered subspace, we find that the TMSVS has only component $|00\rangle\langle 00|$ with population probability $c_0 c_0 = 1 - \lambda^2$ and component $|11\rangle\langle 11|$ with population probability $c_1 c_1 = \lambda^2(1 - \lambda^2)$. Of course, there are other two coherence terms (i.e. corresponding to components $|00\rangle\langle 11|$ and $|11\rangle\langle 00|$) as non-zero elements in matrix, which is the coherence between $|00\rangle$ and $|11\rangle$. Table 2 gives the Fock matrix elements of the TMSVS.

Now another question arises: what can we do to make the TMSVS to contain elements corresponding to non-twin-Fock components, such as $|00\rangle\langle 01|$ and $|01\rangle\langle 10|$? This will be the focus of our following work.

3. Three quantum states induced from the TMSVS

As shown in figure 1, we construct three conceptual schemes to generate three new quantum states from the TMSVS. Using the TMSVS as the initial optical field and operating three kinds of non-Gaussian conditional operations in one mode (channel) which has the loss, we study and compare the Fock matrix elements of the final optical fields. Using the characteristic function (CF) representation, we obtain the normal forms (denoted by $::$) for every density operator. Of course, the success probabilities are also obtained.

The propagation of optical field in every scheme includes two input–output processes and three stages. The two processes include loss and non-Gaussian operation, respectively. For the sake of convenience, we describe the optical field in every stages with their corresponding density operators as follows

$$\rho_{ab}^{(I)} \Rightarrow \rho_{ab}^{(II)} \Rightarrow \rho_{ab}^{(III)}. \tag{7}$$

Next we shall give the exact expressions of the density operator in every stages.

Stage 1: The corresponding density operator in stage 1 is $\rho_{ab}^{(I)} = \rho_{\text{TMSVS}}$, where the initial optical field under consideration is the TMSVS $S(r)|00\rangle$. By using the Weyl expansion of the density operator, $\rho_{ab}^{(I)}$ can also be expressed further in the CF representation as follows

$$\rho_{ab}^{(I)} = \int \frac{d^2\alpha d^2\beta}{\pi^2} \chi_{ab}^{(I)}(\alpha, \beta) D_a(-\alpha) D_b(-\beta), \tag{8}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_{ab}^{(I)}(\alpha, \beta) = & \text{Tr}(\rho_{ab}^{(I)} D_a(\alpha) D_b(\beta)) \\ = & e^{-\frac{(1+\lambda^2)(|\alpha|^2+|\beta|^2)}{2(1-\lambda^2)} + \frac{\lambda(\alpha^* \beta^* + \alpha\beta)}{1-\lambda^2}} \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

is just the CF of the TMSVS and $D_a(\alpha) = \exp(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)$ and $D_b(\beta) = \exp(\beta b^\dagger - \beta^* b)$ are the displacement operators, respectively.

Stage 2: In the second stage, we consider the loss only in channel (mode) b , where the conditional operation will be employed. Thus, the density operator of the optical field can be expressed as

$$\rho_{ab}^{(II)} = \int \frac{d^2\alpha d^2\beta}{\pi^2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\eta|\beta|^2} \chi_{ab}^{(I)}(\alpha, \sqrt{1-\eta}\beta) D_a(-\alpha) D_b(-\beta), \tag{10}$$

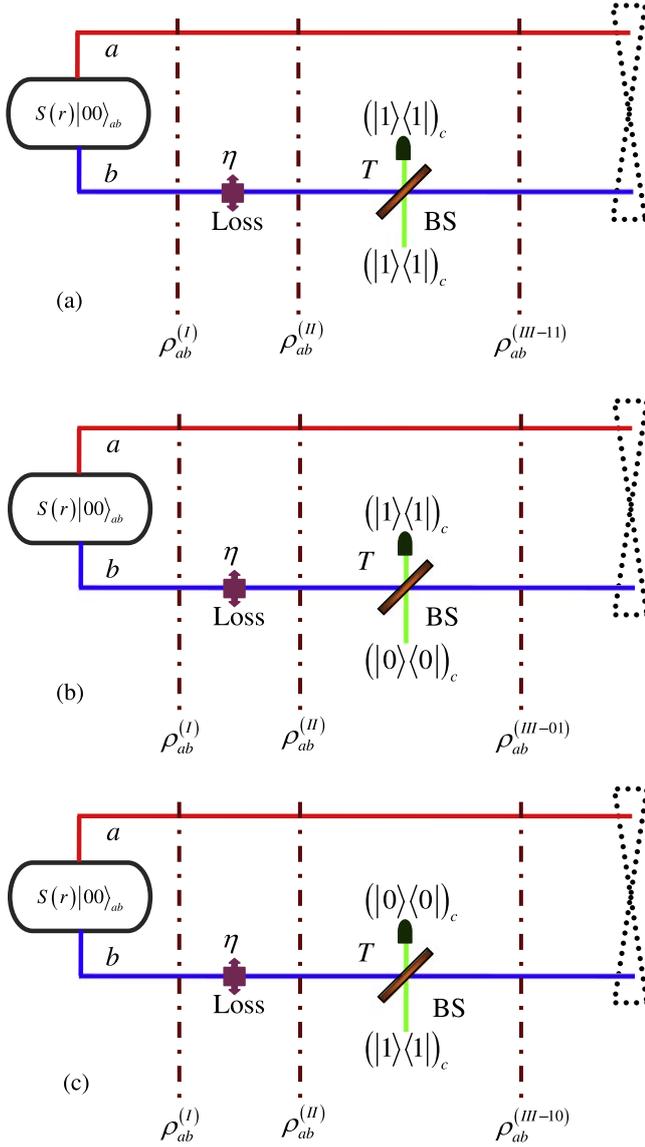


Figure 1. Three conceptual quantum schemes to obtain quantum states from the TMSVS. The operations include (a) OPR, (b) OPS and (c) OPA, where the loss is also considered. Here η is the loss factor and T is transmissivity of the BS.

where $\eta \in [0, 1]$ is the loss factor. Here one can use the formula derived in [31] or see appendix A.

Stage 3: There are the differences for the three sub-figures of figure 1 in this stage. Three conditional operations (that is, one-photon replacement (OPR), one-photon subtraction (OPS) and one-photon addition (OPA)) are used in three schemes, respectively.

Case OPR: The OPR can be embodied in the c mode, where one-photon Fock state $|1\rangle$ is input and one-photon Fock state $|1\rangle$ is measured [32]. After employing the OPR, we obtain the first generating state

$$\rho_{ab}^{(\text{III-11})} = \frac{c \langle 1 | \{ B[\rho_{ab}^{(\text{II})}] \otimes (|1\rangle\langle 1|)_c B^\dagger \} | 1 \rangle_c}{p_d^{(11)}}, \quad (11)$$

where $p_d^{(11)}$ is the success probability and $B = \exp[\theta(b^\dagger c - bc^\dagger)]$ is the BS operator satisfying the following

transformation

$$\begin{aligned} BbB^\dagger &= \sqrt{T}b + \sqrt{1-T}c, \\ BcB^\dagger &= -\sqrt{1-T}b + \sqrt{T}c, \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

with transmissivity $T = \cos^2 \theta$. After detailed calculation, we obtain the density operator in the normal ordering form

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{ab}^{(\text{III-11})} &= \frac{1 - \lambda^2}{p_d^{(11)}} \\ &\times \frac{d^4}{dh_2 dh_1 ds_2 ds_1} : e^{-(1-\lambda^2\eta)a^\dagger a + \lambda\sqrt{1-\eta}\sqrt{1-T}(h_2 a^\dagger + h_1 a)} \\ &\times e^{-b^\dagger b - \sqrt{1-T}(s_1 b^\dagger + s_2 b) + \lambda\sqrt{1-\eta}\sqrt{T}(a^\dagger b^\dagger + ab)} \\ &\times e^{\sqrt{T}h_2 s_1 + \sqrt{T}h_1 s_2} : |_{s_1=s_2=h_1=h_2=0}, \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

where

$$p_d^{(11)} = \Omega^3 (1 - \lambda^2) (T + \kappa_1 \lambda^2 + \kappa_2 \lambda^4) \quad (14)$$

is the success probability (also the normalization factor), whose derivative form can be found in the appendix B, with

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega^{-1} &= 1 - \lambda^2 \eta - T \lambda^2 (1 - \eta), \\ \kappa_1 &= (1 + T^2)(1 - \eta) + 2T(\eta - 2), \\ \kappa_2 &= T - \eta(1 - \eta)(1 - T)^2. \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

Obviously, if $\eta \rightarrow 0$ and $T \rightarrow 1$, then $\rho_{ab}^{(\text{III-11})} \rightarrow \rho_{ab}^{(I)}$. That is, the first generated state can be reduced to the TMSVS in this limit case.

Case OPS: The OPS can be embodied in the c mode, where vacuum state $|0\rangle$ is input and one-photon Fock state $|1\rangle$ is measured. After employing the OPS, we obtain the second generating state

$$\rho_{ab}^{(\text{III-01})} = \frac{c \langle 1 | \{ B[\rho_{ab}^{(\text{II})}] \otimes (|0\rangle\langle 0|)_c B^\dagger \} | 1 \rangle_c}{p_d^{(01)}}, \quad (16)$$

where $p_d^{(01)}$ is the success probability. The density operator in the normal ordering form can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{ab}^{(\text{III-01})} &= \frac{1 - \lambda^2}{p_d^{(01)}} \\ &\times \frac{d^2}{dh_2 dh_1} : e^{-(1-\lambda^2\eta)a^\dagger a + \lambda\sqrt{1-\eta}\sqrt{1-T}(h_2 a^\dagger + h_1 a)} \\ &\times e^{-b^\dagger b + \lambda\sqrt{1-\eta}\sqrt{T}(a^\dagger b^\dagger + ab)} : |_{h_1=h_2=0} \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

with the success probability

$$p_d^{(01)} = \Omega^2 \lambda^2 (1 - \lambda^2) (1 - \eta) (1 - T). \quad (18)$$

Table 3. Fock matrix elements of state $\rho_{ab}^{(III-11)}$ in subspace span $\{|00\rangle, |01\rangle, |10\rangle, |02\rangle, |11\rangle, |20\rangle, \dots\}$.

$\rho_{ab}^{(III-11)}$	$|00\rangle$	$|01\rangle$	$|10\rangle$	$|02\rangle$	$|11\rangle$	$|20\rangle$	...
$\langle 00|$	$p_{00,00}^{(11)}$	0	0	0	$p_{00,11}^{(11)}$	0	...
$\langle 01|$	0	0	0	0	0	0	...
$\langle 10|$	0	0	$p_{10,10}^{(11)}$	0	0	0	...
$\langle 02|$	0	0	0	0	0	0	...
$\langle 11|$	$p_{11,00}^{(11)}$	0	0	0	$p_{11,11}^{(11)}$	0	...
$\langle 20|$	0	0	0	0	0	$p_{20,20}^{(11)}$	...
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\ddots

Table 4. Fock matrix elements of state $\rho_{ab}^{(III-01)}$ in subspace span $\{|00\rangle, |01\rangle, |10\rangle, |02\rangle, |11\rangle, |20\rangle, \dots\}$.

$\rho_{ab}^{(III-01)}$	$|00\rangle$	$|01\rangle$	$|10\rangle$	$|02\rangle$	$|11\rangle$	$|20\rangle$	...
$\langle 00|$	0	0	0	0	0	0	...
$\langle 01|$	0	0	0	0	0	0	...
$\langle 10|$	0	0	$p_{10,10}^{(01)}$	0	0	0	...
$\langle 02|$	0	0	0	0	0	0	...
$\langle 11|$	0	0	0	0	0	0	...
$\langle 20|$	0	0	0	0	0	$p_{20,20}^{(01)}$	...
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\ddots

Case OPA: The OPA can be embodied in the c mode, where one-photon Fock state $|1\rangle$ is input and vacuum state $|0\rangle$ is measured. After employing the OPA, we obtain the third generating state

$$\rho_{ab}^{(III-10)} = \frac{c \langle 0| \{ B[\rho_{ab}^{(II)} \otimes (|1\rangle\langle 1|)_c] B^\dagger \} |0\rangle_c}{p_d^{(10)}}, \quad (19)$$

where $p_d^{(10)}$ is the success probability. The density operator in the normal ordering form can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{ab}^{(III-10)} &= \frac{1 - \lambda^2}{p_d^{(10)}} \\ &\times \frac{d^2}{ds_2 ds_1} : e^{-(1-\lambda^2\eta)a^\dagger a + \lambda\sqrt{1-\eta}\sqrt{T}(a^\dagger b^\dagger + ab)} \\ &\times e^{-b^\dagger b - \sqrt{1-T}(s_1 b^\dagger + s_2 b)} : |_{s_1=s_2=0} \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

with the success probability

$$p_d^{(10)} = \Omega^2 (1 - \lambda^2)(1 - \lambda^2\eta)(1 - T). \quad (21)$$

Obviously, these new generating states can be adjusted by the interaction parameters, including the squeezing parameter r of the input TMSV, the loss factor η , and the transmissivity T of BS.

4. Fock matrix elements for three generated states

Next, we study the Fock matrix elements for three generated states, which will be compared with that of the original TMSVS. Firstly, we give their analytical expressions for the

Table 5. Fock matrix elements of state $\rho_{ab}^{(III-10)}$ in subspace span $\{|00\rangle, |01\rangle, |10\rangle, |02\rangle, |11\rangle, |20\rangle, \dots\}$.

$\rho_{ab}^{(III-10)}$	$|00\rangle$	$|01\rangle$	$|10\rangle$	$|02\rangle$	$|11\rangle$	$|20\rangle$	...
$\langle 00|$	0	0	0	0	0	0	...
$\langle 01|$	0	$p_{01,01}^{(10)}$	0	0	0	0	...
$\langle 10|$	0	0	0	0	0	0	...
$\langle 02|$	0	0	0	0	0	0	...
$\langle 11|$	0	0	0	0	$p_{11,11}^{(01)}$	0	...
$\langle 20|$	0	0	0	0	0	0	...
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\ddots

Fock matrix elements and then give the Fock matrix. As example, we plot the Fock matrices for these states and the population elements by choosing given interaction parameters.

4.1. Analytical expressions

After detailed derivation, we obtain the following analytical expressions of the Fock matrix elements for every quantum states.

(1) For $\rho_{ab}^{(III-11)}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} p_{n_1 m_1, n_2 m_2}^{(11)} &= \frac{1 - \lambda^2}{p_d^{(11)} \sqrt{n_1! n_2! m_1! m_2!}} \\ &\times \frac{d^{n_1+n_2+m_1+m_2}}{d g_2^{m_2} d g_1^{m_1} d f_2^{n_2} d f_1^{n_1} ds_1 ds_2 dh_1 dh_2} \\ &\times e^{\lambda\sqrt{1-\eta}[\sqrt{1-T}(f_1 h_2 + h_1 f_2) + \sqrt{T}(f_1 g_1 + f_2 g_2)]} \\ &\times e^{\sqrt{T}(h_2 s_1 + h_1 s_2) - \sqrt{1-T}(g_1 s_1 + g_2 s_2)} \\ &\times e^{\lambda^2 \eta f_1 f_2} |_{f_1=f_2=g_1=g_2=h_1=h_2=s_1=s_2=0}. \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

(2) For $\rho_{ab}^{(III-01)}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} p_{n_1 m_1, n_2 m_2}^{(01)} &= \frac{1 - \lambda^2}{p_d^{(01)} \sqrt{n_1! n_2! m_1! m_2!}} \\ &\times \frac{d^{n_1+n_2+m_1+m_2}}{d g_2^{m_2} d g_1^{m_1} d f_2^{n_2} d f_1^{n_1} dh_1 dh_2} \\ &\times e^{\lambda\sqrt{1-\eta}[\sqrt{1-T}(f_1 h_2 + h_1 f_2) + \sqrt{T}(f_1 g_1 + f_2 g_2)]} \\ &\times e^{\lambda^2 \eta f_1 f_2} |_{f_1=f_2=g_1=g_2=h_1=h_2=0}. \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

(3) For $\rho_{ab}^{(III-10)}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} p_{n_1 m_1, n_2 m_2}^{(10)} &= \frac{1 - \lambda^2}{p_d^{(10)} \sqrt{n_1! n_2! m_1! m_2!}} \\ &\times \frac{d^{n_1+n_2+m_1+m_2}}{d g_2^{m_2} d g_1^{m_1} d f_2^{n_2} d f_1^{n_1} ds_1 ds_2} \\ &\times e^{\lambda\sqrt{1-\eta}\sqrt{T}(f_1 g_1 + f_2 g_2) - \sqrt{1-T}(g_1 s_1 + g_2 s_2)} \\ &\times e^{\lambda^2 \eta f_1 f_2} |_{f_1=f_2=g_1=g_2=s_1=s_2=0}. \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

It should be noted that these expressions retain the derivative form because of the complexity of components. With these expressions, we can calculate the matrix elements in each case by mathematical software.

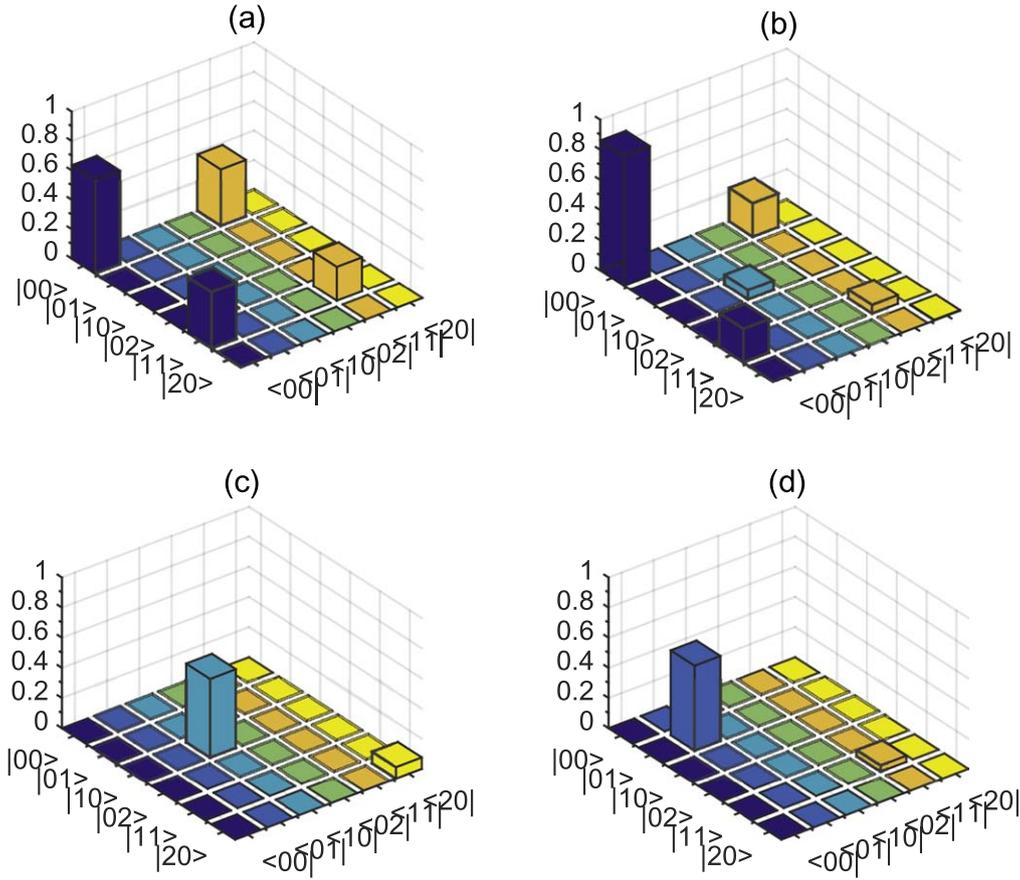


Figure 2. Fock matrix elements of four states in our considered subspace. (a) $\rho_{ab}^{(I)}$; (b) $\rho_{ab}^{(III-11)}$; (c) $\rho_{ab}^{(III-01)}$; (d) $\rho_{ab}^{(III-10)}$, with $r = 0.7, \eta = 0.2, T = 0.7$. In figure 2(a), $p_{00,00} = 0.634\ 74, p_{11,11} = 0.231\ 845$ and $p_{00,11} = p_{11,00} = 0.383\ 616$; in figure 2(b), $p_{00,00}^{(11)} = 0.861\ 274, p_{10,10}^{(11)} = 0.062\ 9178, p_{11,11}^{(11)} = 0.057\ 5249, p_{20,20}^{(11)} = 0.004\ 596\ 28,$ and $p_{00,11}^{(11)} = p_{11,00}^{(11)} = 0.222\ 586$; in figure 2(c), $p_{10,10}^{(01)} = 0.521\ 865, p_{20,20}^{(01)} = 0.0762\ 466$; figure 2(d), $p_{01,01}^{(10)} = 0.562\ 993, p_{11,11}^{(10)} = 0.041\ 1278$.

4.2. Matrix forms and numerical results

In the considered subspace, we give the Fock matrix elements of state $\rho_{ab}^{(III-11)}$ in table 3, where the non-zero elements are

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_{00,00}^{(11)} &= \frac{T(1-\lambda^2)}{p_d^{(11)}}, p_{10,10}^{(11)} = \frac{\eta T \lambda^2 (1-\lambda^2)}{p_d^{(11)}}, \\
 p_{00,11}^{(11)} &= p_{11,00}^{(11)} = \frac{\sqrt{T(1-\eta)} \lambda (2T-1)(1-\lambda^2)}{p_d^{(11)}}, \\
 p_{11,11}^{(11)} &= \frac{(1-\eta)(2T-1)^2 \lambda^2 (1-\lambda^2)}{p_d^{(11)}}, \\
 p_{20,20}^{(11)} &= \frac{T \eta^2 \lambda^4 (1-\lambda^2)}{p_d^{(11)}}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

Noticing that the coherence elements ($p_{00,11}^{(11)}$ or $p_{11,00}^{(11)}$) have the possibility of negative value if $\lambda(2T-1) < 0$. Comparing table 3 of $\rho_{ab}^{(III-11)}$ and table 2 for the TMSVS $\rho_{ab}^{(I)}$, we find that two new population elements (i.e. $p_{10,10}^{(11)}$ and $p_{20,20}^{(11)}$) have been added, which mean that there exist the populations in states $|10\rangle$ and $|20\rangle$. Of course, the population

probability of $p_{00,00}^{(11)}$ and $p_{11,11}^{(11)}$ depends on the interaction parameter, which is also different from those of the TMSVS.

Table 4 gives the Fock matrix elements of state $\rho_{ab}^{(III-01)}$, where the non-zero elements are

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_{10,10}^{(01)} &= \frac{(1-T)(1-\eta)\lambda^2(1-\lambda^2)}{p_d^{(01)}}, \\
 p_{20,20}^{(01)} &= 2\eta\lambda^2 p_{10,10}^{(01)}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{26}$$

It is surprising to find that the original elements of TMSVS are all vanished but two new elements (i.e. $p_{10,10}^{(11)}$ and $p_{20,20}^{(11)}$) have been added in this case. This point is also like that OPR case.

Table 5 gives the Fock matrix elements of state $\rho_{ab}^{(III-10)}$, where the non-zero elements are

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_{01,01}^{(10)} &= \frac{(1-T)(1-\lambda^2)}{p_d^{(10)}}, \\
 p_{11,11}^{(10)} &= \eta\lambda^2 p_{01,01}^{(10)}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

Here we find that only the population element of component $|11\rangle\langle 11|$ still exists and another population element of component $|01\rangle\langle 01|$ is added. This is also an interesting result.

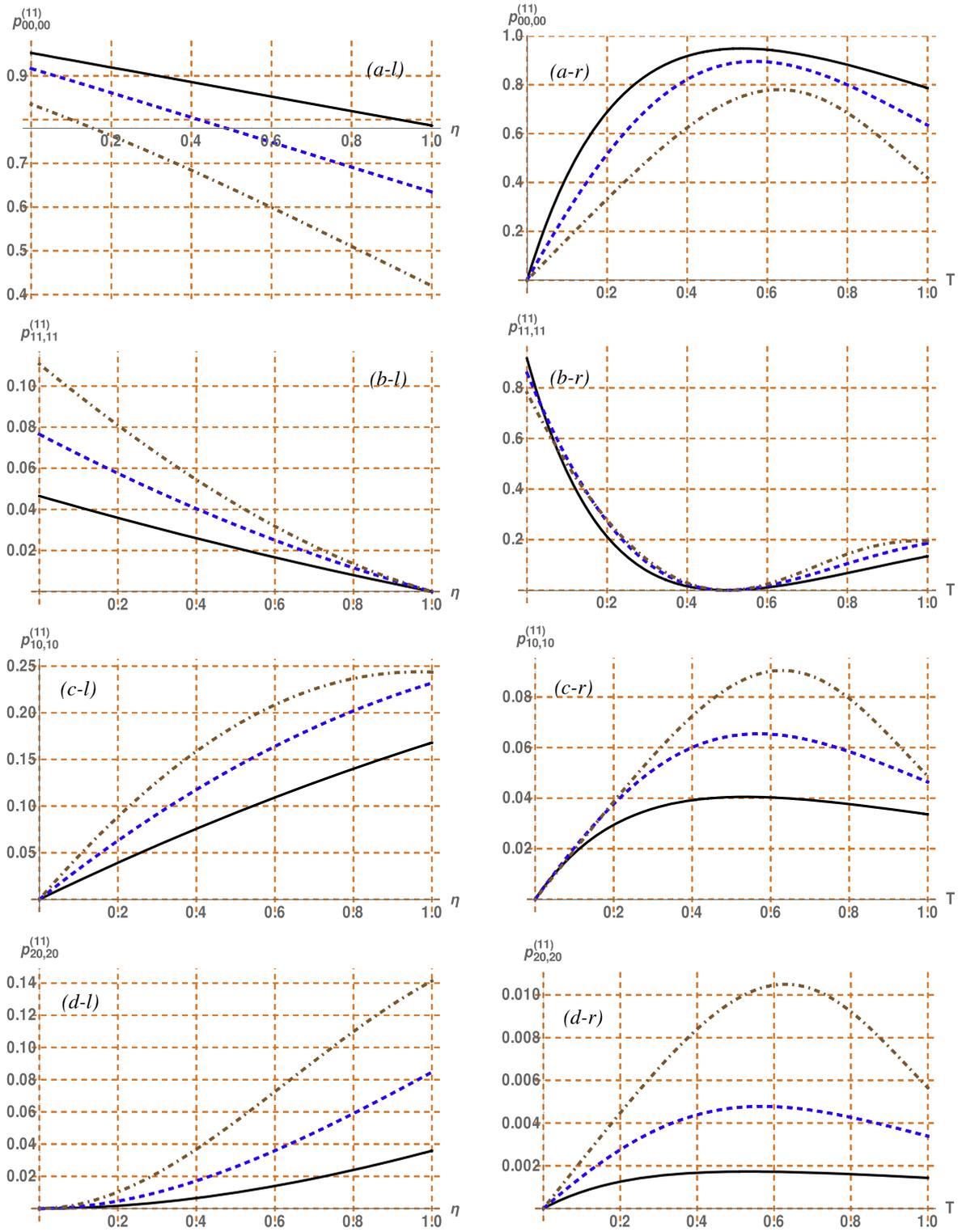


Figure 3. Population elements (a) $p_{00,00}^{(11)}$, (b) $p_{11,11}^{(11)}$, (c) $p_{10,10}^{(11)}$ and (d) $p_{20,20}^{(11)}$ in state $\rho_{ab}^{(III-11)}$ as a function of η with $T = 0.7$ (left) or as a function T with $\eta = 0.2$ (right). Here the black solid line, blue dashed line and brown dot-dashed line are corresponding to $r = 0.5$, $r = 0.7$ and $r = 1$, respectively.

By changing the interaction parameters, we can obtain the Fock matrix elements by numerical simulation. Figure 2 shows the density matrices of the TMSVS and other three quantum states with given parameters ($r = 0.7$, $\eta = 0.2$, $T = 0.7$). Here, we also give the corresponding numerical

values for the population elements. As we all know, the summarization of all population elements are unity in principle. Because many other population elements outside of our considered subspace are not given, we can't verify its unity only in the considered subspace. Of course, one can calculate

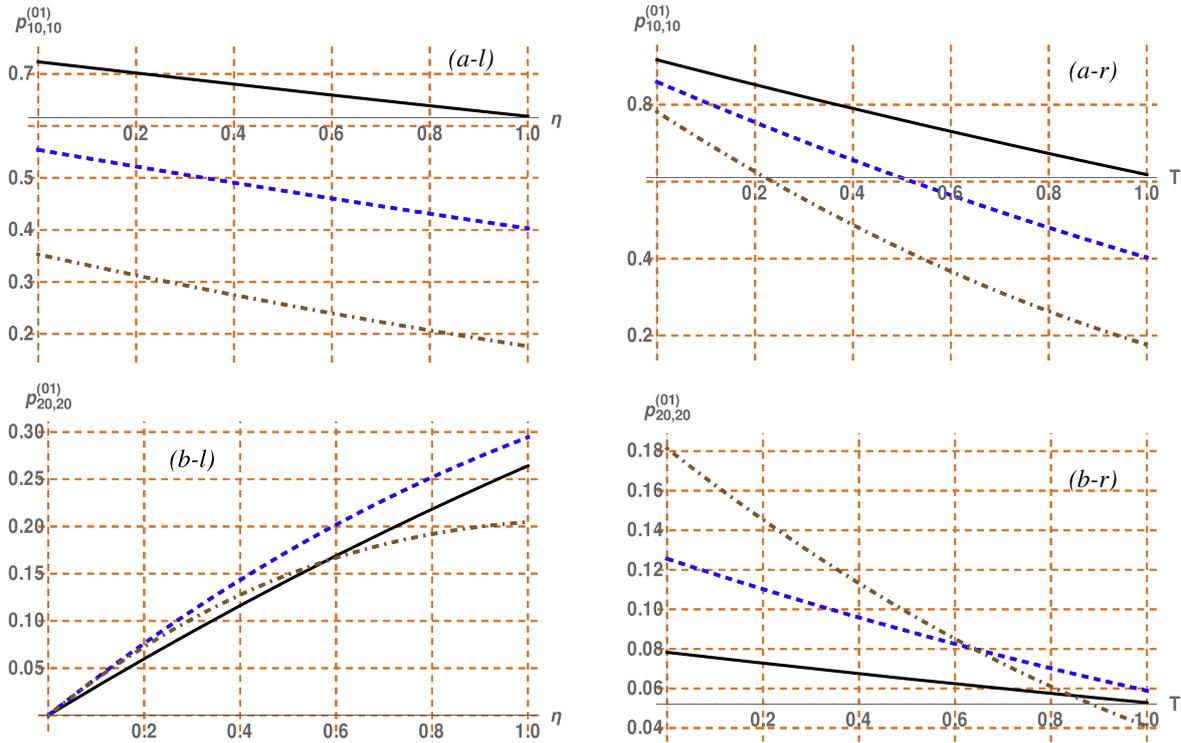


Figure 4. Population elements (a) $p_{10,10}^{(01)}$ and (b) $p_{20,20}^{(01)}$ in state $\rho_{ab}^{(III-01)}$ as a function of η with $T = 0.7$ (left) or as a function T with $\eta = 0.2$ (right). Here the black solid line, blue dashed line and brown dot-dashed line are corresponding to $r = 0.5$, $r = 0.7$ and $r = 1$, respectively.

any population element according to the corresponding expression. Furthermore, in order to show the effect of the interaction parameters on these population elements, we plot some population probabilities as the function of the loss factor η or as a function of the transmissivity T in figures 3–5, where other parameters are fixed. One can see figures for details.

5. Conclusions and discussions

To summarize, we theoretically realized conditional operations to change the Fock matrix elements of the TMSVS. These operations include OPR, OPS and OPA. Everyone knows that the most prominent feature of the TMSVS is the twin-number field, which leads to the population and coherence components only from twin-Fock states. By employing three conditional operations, we have prepared three entangled resources from the original TMSVS. We obtain the analytical expressions of their Fock matrix elements and analyze the change in elements. In the finite subspace span $\{|00\rangle, |01\rangle, |10\rangle, |02\rangle, |11\rangle, |20\rangle\}$, we compare their population elements, as shown in table 6. Compared with that the TMSVS only has the populations in $|00\rangle$ and $|11\rangle$, we find that (1) the populations in $|10\rangle$ and $|20\rangle$ have been added for the generated state after OPR; (2) the populations in $|00\rangle$ and $|11\rangle$ have been lost and the populations in $|10\rangle$ and $|20\rangle$ have been added for the generated state after OPS; (3) the population only in $|11\rangle$ has been remained and the population in $|01\rangle$ has been added for the generated state after OPA. The numerical results are shown in some figures.

In fact, there are a lot of related works. It is instructive to compare our work with earlier related works. In order to

Table 6. Population elements in Fock matrix of these states in subspace span $\{|00\rangle, |01\rangle, |10\rangle, |02\rangle, |11\rangle, |20\rangle\}$.

Population	$|00\rangle$	$|01\rangle$	$|10\rangle$	$|02\rangle$	$|11\rangle$	$|20\rangle$
$\rho_{ab}^{(I)}$	✓				✓	
$\rho_{ab}^{(III-11)}$	✓		✓		✓	✓
$\rho_{ab}^{(III-01)}$			✓			✓
$\rho_{ab}^{(III-10)}$		✓			✓	

improve figures of merit for a quantum state, researchers often propose different quantum strategies, for example, by applying the non-Gaussian operations (including photon addition, photon subtraction, superposition of photon addition and subtraction) on the original state. Of course, for a two-mode state such as the TMSVS, these strategies may be applied to one or both modes. For example, Bartley and Walmsley compared entanglement enhancement of the TMSVS after applying these non-Gaussian operations [17]. In addition, by means of quantum catalysis [33] or quantum scissors [34], the entanglement properties of the TMSVS can also be enhanced in some parameter range. For example, our group has two related works in recent years. One is by employed local quantum catalysis on the TMSVS [16], another is by quantum scissors [35] on the TMSVS. In fact, the OPR scheme in our work is related to the idea of Ulanov *et al* who proposed to distill the TMSVS by using noiseless amplification [27]. By the way, the OPS scheme in our work is related to the idea of Kurochkin *et al* who demonstrated entanglement distillation by applying photon annihilation on only one of the modes of

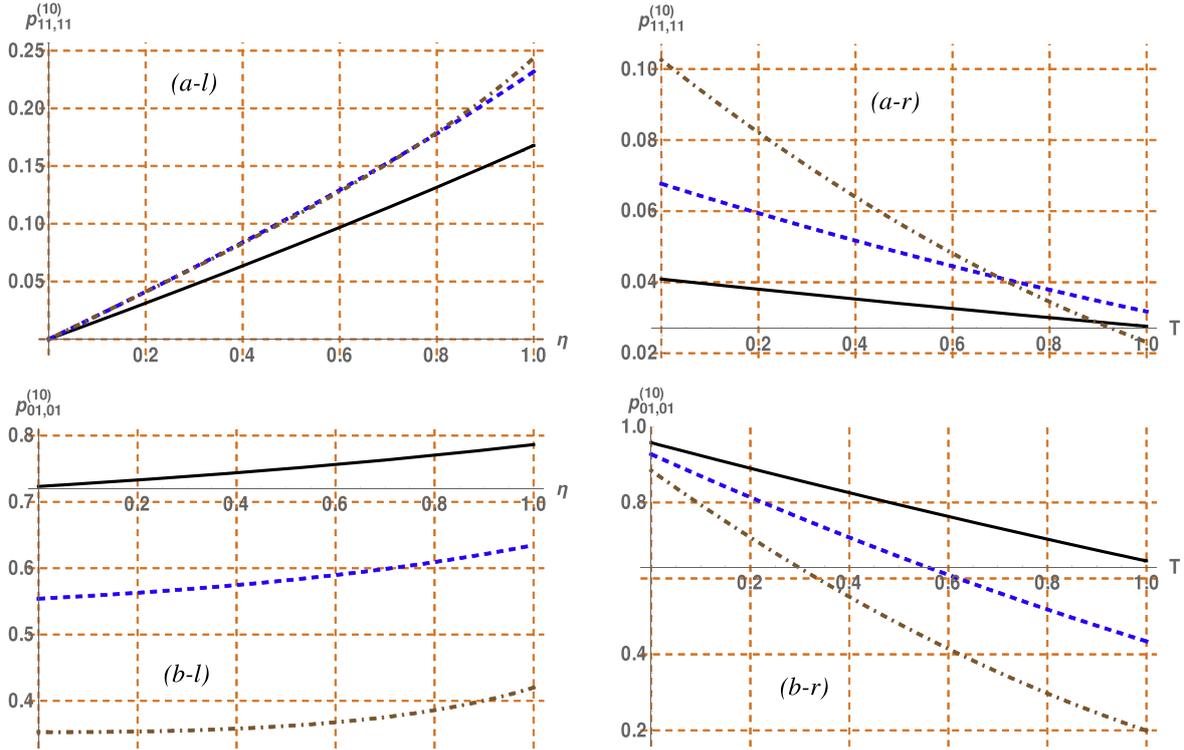


Figure 5. Population elements (a) $p_{01,01}^{(10)}$ and (b) $p_{11,11}^{(10)}$ in state $\rho_{ab}^{(III-10)}$ as a function of η with $T = 0.7$ (left) or as a function T with $\eta = 0.2$ (right). Here the black solid line, blue dashed line and brown dotted line are corresponding to $r = 0.5$, $r = 0.7$ and $r = 1$, respectively.

the initial TMSVS [36]. Previous analyses of these processes have adopted different figures of merit to compare each protocol, for example teleportation fidelity, squeezing effect or entanglement entropy. Unlike previous works, in this paper, we pay our attention on the Fock matrix elements of the density operators for quantum states under investigation.

Quantum technology protocols exploit the unique properties of quantum systems to fulfill communication, computing and metrology tasks that are impossible, inefficient or intractable for classical systems. Perhaps it is because of the most prominent characteristic (eg. squeezing and entanglement), the TMSVS have become the most commonly used entangled resource of quantum technology [37]. However, as our new states induced from the TMSVS, they must have their own unique characteristic, which will become new entangled resources to require the needs of quantum technologies. The development of technologies allows promising real applications in quantum information processing, such as quantum teleportation [38], quantum computation [39] and quantum communication [40]. It is believed that our generating states will be good entangled resources for future application. Our theoretical analyses will provide some information for further applications and stimulate the design of experimental tests.

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Appendix A. Loss formula in CF formalism

About the detailed derivation of this loss formula, one can refer to our previous work [31]. The loss can be modeled in a BS formalism. The input state ρ_{in} can be expressed in the CF representation

$$\rho_{in} = \int \frac{d^2\alpha}{\pi} \chi_{in}(\alpha) D_a(-\alpha), \quad (A.1)$$

where $D_a(\alpha)$ is the displacement operator in mode a , and $\chi_{in}(\alpha) = \text{Tr}(\rho_{in} D_a(\alpha))$ is the CF of the input state ρ_{in} . The output state ρ_{out} can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{out} = & \int \frac{d^2\alpha}{\pi(1-\eta)} e^{-\frac{\eta}{2(1-\eta)}|\alpha|^2} \chi_{in}(\alpha) \\ & \times D_a\left(-\frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{1-\eta}}\right), \end{aligned} \quad (A.2)$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{out} = & \int \frac{d^2\alpha}{\pi} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\eta|\alpha|^2} \chi_{in}(\sqrt{1-\eta}\alpha) \\ & \times D_a(-\alpha), \end{aligned} \quad (A.3)$$

where η is the loss factor. So, once the input CF $\chi_{in}(\alpha)$ is known, one can obtain the output optical field after the loss according to equations (A.2) or (A.3).

Appendix B. Success probability of generating states

In order to ensure $\text{Tr}(\rho_{ab}^{(III)}) = 1$, we must calculate the success probability for every scheme. These success probabilities in derivative forms are given as follows, i.e.

$$p_d^{(11)} = \Omega(1 - \lambda^2) \frac{d^4}{dh_2 dh_1 ds_2 ds_1} \times e^{\Omega(1-T)[\lambda^2(1-\eta)h_1h_2 + (1-\lambda^2\eta)s_1s_2]} \times e^{\Omega(1-\lambda^2)\sqrt{T}(s_1h_2+h_1s_2)} \Big|_{s_1=s_2=h_1=h_2=0}, \quad (\text{B.1})$$

and

$$p_d^{(10)} = \Omega(1 - \lambda^2) \frac{d^2}{ds_2 ds_1} \times e^{\Omega(1-T)(1-\lambda^2\eta)s_1s_2} \Big|_{s_1=s_2=h_1=h_2=0}, \quad (\text{B.2})$$

as well as

$$p_d^{(01)} = \Omega(1 - \lambda^2) \frac{d^2}{dh_2 dh_1} \times e^{\Omega(1-T)\lambda^2(1-\eta)h_1h_2} \Big|_{s_1=s_2=h_1=h_2=0}. \quad (\text{B.3})$$

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