Error-detected generation and complete analysis of hyperentangled Bell states for photons assisted by quantum-dot spins in double-sided optical microcavities

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Abstract: We construct an error-detected block, assisted by the quantum-dot spins in double-sided optical microcavities. With this block, we propose three error-detected schemes for the deterministic generation, the complete analysis, and the complete nondestructive analysis of hyperentangled Bell states in both the polarization and spatial-mode degrees of freedom of two-photon systems. In these schemes, the errors can be detected, which can improve their fidelities largely, far different from other previous schemes assisted by the interaction between the photon and the QD-cavity system. Our scheme for the deterministic generation of hyperentangled two-photon systems can be performed by repeat until success. These features make our schemes more useful in high-capacity quantum communication with hyperentanglement in the future.

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1. Introduction

Quantum entanglement plays a critical role in quantum information processing [1] and it is a key quantum resource in quantum communication, such as quantum teleportation [2], quantum dense coding [3, 4], quantum key distribution [5], quantum secret sharing [6], quantum secure direct communication [7, 8], and so on. The complete and deterministic analysis of Bell states is required to achieve some important tasks in quantum communication. In 1999, two schemes of Bell-state analysis (BSA) [9, 10] for teleportation with only linear optical elements were proposed. However, it is impossible to deterministically and completely distinguish the four Bell states in polarization with only linear optical elements [11–13]. In 2005, Barrett et al. [14] proposed an analyzer for distinguishing all four polarization Bell states using weak nonlinearities. In 2015, Sheng et al. [15] realized the near complete logic Bell-state analysis by using the cross-Kerr nonlinearity. The complete BSA can be accomplished with the assistance of hyperentanglement [16–20]. In 1998, Kwiat and Weinfurter [16] introduced the method to distinguish the four Bell states of photon pairs in the polarization degree of freedom (DOF) with the assistance of the hyperentanglement in both the polarization DOF and the momentum DOF. In 2003, Walborn et al. [17] proposed a simple linear-optical scheme for the complete Bell-state measurement of photons by using hyperentangled states with linear optics. In 2006, Schuck et al. [18] deterministically distinguished polarization Bell states of entangled photon pairs completely assisted by polarization-time-bin hyperentangled states in experiment. In 2007, Barbieri et al. [19] realized a complete and deterministic Bell-state measurement using linear optics and two-photon hyperentangled in polarization and momentum DOFs in experiment.

Besides the assistance for the complete BSA, hyperentanglement, a state of a quantum system being simultaneously entangled in multiple DOFs, has attracted much attention as it can improve the channel capacity largely, beat the channel capacity of linear photonic superdense coding [21], and can be used for quantum error-correcting code [22] and quantum repeaters [23].
Some theoretical and experimental schemes for the generation of hyperentangled states have been proposed and implemented in optical systems [24–29], such as polarization-momentum DOFs [26], polarization-orbital-angular momentum DOFs [27], multipath DOFs [28], and so on. In 2009, Vallone et al. [29] demonstrated experimentally the generation of a two-photon six-qubit hyperentangled state in three DOFs. A hyperentangled photon pair, which is hyperentangled in both the polarization and spatial-mode DOFs with 16 orthogonal Bell states, can be produced by spontaneous parametric down-conversion source with the β barium borate crystal. However the quantum efficiency of this method is low and the multiphoton generation probability is high, which will limit the application of hyperentanglement in quantum information processing. Moreover, one cannot distinguish the 16 Bell states completely with only linear optics. In 2010, Sheng et al. [30] proposed the first scheme for the complete hyperentangled BSA (HBSA) of all the two-photon polarization-spatial hyperentangled states with cross-Kerr nonlinearity. In 2016, Li et al. [31] presented a simplified complete HBSA with cross-Kerr nonlinearity. As the solid state system can provide giant nonlinearity, it is viewed as a promising candidate for quantum information processing and quantum computing. In 2012, Ren et al. [32] proposed a scheme for complete HBSA assisted by quantum-dot spins in a one-side optical microcavity. In the same year, Wang et al. [33] proposed two interesting schemes for hyperentangled-Bell-state generation (HBSG) and HBSA by quantum-dot spins in double-sided optical microcavities. In 2015, Liu et al. [34] proposed two schemes for HBSG and HBSA assisted by nitrogen-vacancy centers in resonators.

The electron spin in a GaAs-based or InAs-based charged quantum dot (QD) is an attractive candidate for solid-state quantum information processing. The electron-spin coherence time of a charged QD can be maintained for more than $3\mu$s [35, 36] and the electron spin-relaxation time can be longer ($\sim ms$) [37, 38]. Moreover, it is comparatively easy to embed the QDs in the solid-state cavities and it can be easily manipulated fast and initialized [39–41]. Based on a singly charged QD inside an optical resonant cavity, many interesting schemes for quantum information processing have been proposed [32, 33, 42–47]. In the ideal condition, the fidelities and the efficiencies of these schemes can be 100%. In realistic condition, their fidelities and the efficiencies would be affected by the parameters of the QD-cavity systems more or less. In 2011, Kastoryno et al. [48] proposed a scheme for the preparation of a maximally entangled state utilizing the decay of the cavity to improve the fidelity, which can herald the error. In 2012, Li et al. [49] proposed a robust-fidelity scheme for atom-photon entangling gates, which is adequate for high-fidelity maximally entangling gates even in the weak-coupling regime based on the scattering of photons off single emitters in one-dimensional waveguides.

In this paper, we construct an error-detected block assisted by the QD spins in double-sided optical microcavities. With this block, we propose three schemes for the deterministic HBSG, the complete HBSA, and the complete nondestructive HBSA of hyperentangled Bell states in both the polarization and spatial-mode DOFs of two-photon systems. As the errors can be detected in these schemes, they possess the advantage of having high fidelity, far different from other previous schemes by others, especially in our scheme for the deterministic generation of hyperentangled two-photon systems as it can be performed by repeat until success. Moreover, our schemes work in both the weak coupling regime and the strong coupling regime. These features make our schemes more useful in high-capacity quantum communication with hyperentanglement in the future.

2. Interaction between a circularly polarized light and a single charged QD in a double-sided microcavity

A singly charged electron In(Ga)As QD or a GaAs interface QD is embedded in an optical resonant double-sided microcavity with two mirrors partially reflective in the top and the bottom, as shown in Fig. 1(a). The optical excitation of a photon and an excess electron injected into the
When the QD is uncoupled to the cavity (cold cavity), that is where \( \omega, \omega_c, \) and \( \omega_{X^-} \) are the frequencies of the photon, the cavity, and \( X^- \) transition, respectively, \( g \) is the coupling constant between the \( X^- \) and the cavity. \( \kappa \) and \( \kappa_s \) represent the cavity decay rate and the leaky rate, respectively. \( \gamma \) is the exciton dipole decay rate. \( \tilde{H} \) and \( \tilde{G} \) are the noise operators related to reservoirs. \( \tilde{a}_{in}, \tilde{a}_{in'}, \tilde{a}_{r}, \) and \( \tilde{a}_{i} \) are the input and output field operators. In the weak excitation approximation, the reflection coefficient \( r(\omega) \) and the transmission coefficient \( t(\omega) \) of the QD-cavity system can be described by [42,43,51]

\[
  r(\omega) = 1 + t(\omega), \quad t(\omega) = -\frac{\kappa [i(\omega_{X^-} - \omega) + \gamma]}{[i(\omega_{X^-} - \omega) + \frac{\gamma}{2}] [i(\omega_c - \omega) + \kappa + \frac{\kappa_s}{2}] + g^2}.
\] (2)

Fig. 1. (a) A schematic diagram for a singly charged QD inside a double-sided optical microcavity. (b) Schematic description of the relevant exciton energy levels and the spin selection rules for optical transition of negatively charged excitons. \( |R^1 \rangle \) (\(|L^1 \rangle \)) and \( |L^1 \rangle \) (\(|R^1 \rangle \)) represent the right-circularly polarized photon and the left-circularly polarized photon propagating along (against) the normal direction of the cavity Z axis (the quantization axis), respectively.

The dipole interaction process can be represented by Heisenberg equations for the cavity field operator \( \tilde{a} \) and the exciton \( X^- \) dipole operator \( \sigma_- \) in the interaction picture [50],

\[
\begin{align*}
  \frac{d\tilde{a}}{dt} & = - \left[ i(\omega_c - \omega) + \kappa + \frac{\kappa_s}{2} \right] \tilde{a} - g\sigma_+ - \sqrt{\kappa} \tilde{a}_{in} - \sqrt{\kappa} \tilde{a}_{in'} + \tilde{H}, \\
  \frac{d\sigma_-}{dt} & = - \left[ i(\omega_{X^-} - \omega) + \gamma \right] \sigma_- - g\sigma_+ \tilde{a} + \tilde{G},
\end{align*}
\]

where \( \omega, \omega_c, \) and \( \omega_{X^-} \) are the frequencies of the photon, the cavity, and \( X^- \) transition, respectively, \( g \) is the coupling constant between the \( X^- \) and the cavity. \( \kappa \) and \( \kappa_s \) represent the cavity decay rate and the leaky rate, respectively. \( \gamma \) is the exciton dipole decay rate. \( \tilde{H} \) and \( \tilde{G} \) are the noise operators related to reservoirs. \( \tilde{a}_{in}, \tilde{a}_{in'}, \tilde{a}_{r}, \) and \( \tilde{a}_{i} \) are the input and output field operators. In the weak excitation approximation, the reflection coefficient \( r(\omega) \) and the transmission coefficient \( t(\omega) \) of the QD-cavity system can be described by [42,43,51]

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\] (2)

When the QD is uncoupled to the cavity (cold cavity), that is \( g = 0 \), the reflection \( r_0(\omega) \) and the transmission \( t_0(\omega) \) coefficients can be written as

\[
  r_0(\omega) = \frac{i(\omega_{X^-} - \omega) + \frac{\kappa_s}{2}}{i(\omega_{X^-} - \omega) + \kappa + \frac{\kappa_s}{2}}, \quad t_0(\omega) = -\frac{\kappa}{i(\omega_c - \omega) + \kappa + \frac{\kappa_s}{2}}.
\] (3)

If \( \omega = \omega_{X^-} \), the reflection and transmission coefficients of the coupled cavity and the uncoupled cavity can be simplified as

\[
  r = 1 + t, \quad t = -\frac{\gamma}{i(\omega_{X^-} - \omega) + \kappa + \frac{\kappa_s}{2}} + \frac{\sqrt{\kappa} \kappa_s}{\gamma}, \quad r_0 = \frac{\kappa_s}{\kappa + \frac{\kappa_s}{2}}, \quad t_0 = -\frac{\kappa}{\kappa + \frac{\kappa_s}{2}}.
\] (4)
The rules for optical transitions in a realistic QD-cavity system can be described as [43],

\[
\begin{align*}
|R^-\uparrow\rangle &\rightarrow r|L^+\uparrow\rangle + t|R^+\uparrow\rangle, \\
|L^+\uparrow\rangle &\rightarrow r|R^-\uparrow\rangle + t|L^-\uparrow\rangle, \\
|L^+\downarrow\rangle &\rightarrow r_0|L^+\uparrow\rangle + r_0|L^-\uparrow\rangle, \\
|L^+\downarrow\rangle &\rightarrow r_0|L^+\downarrow\rangle + r_0|L^-\downarrow\rangle. \\
\end{align*}
\]  
(5)

3. An error-detected block for the interaction between the circularly-polarized photon and the QD-cavity system

The schematic diagram of our error-detected block for the interaction between the circularly-polarized photon and the QD-cavity system is shown in Fig. 2, which is constructed with a 50 : 50 beam splitter (BS), two half-wave plates (H_p\pi_i), two mirrors (M_i), a single-photon detector (D), and a QD-cavity system. The QD in the cavity is prepared in the state \(|\phi_+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\uparrow\rangle + |\downarrow\rangle)\).

If the photon is in the right-circularly polarized state \(|R\rangle\), one injects it into our error-detected block from the path 1 and lets it pass through BS and H_p\pi_i (i = 1, 2). After being reflected by the mirror M_i (i = 1, 2), the state of the whole system composed of the photon and the QD in the cavity is changed from the state \(|\Phi_0\rangle = |R\rangle|i_1\rangle \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\uparrow\rangle + |\downarrow\rangle)\) into the state \(|\Phi_1\rangle\). Here \(|\Phi_1\rangle\) is

\[
|\Phi_1\rangle = \frac{1}{2}[(|R^+\rangle + |L^-\rangle)|j_1\rangle + (|R^-\rangle + |L^+\rangle)|j_2\rangle] \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\uparrow\rangle + |\downarrow\rangle). 
\]  
(6)

After the interaction between the photon and the QD-cavity system, the state becomes

\[
|\Phi_2\rangle = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}[(t_0 + r_0)|R^+\rangle|j_2\rangle + (t + r)|L^-\rangle|j_2\rangle + (t + r)|R^-\rangle|j_1\rangle \\
+ (r_0 + t_0)|L^+\rangle|j_1\rangle] \uparrow + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}[(t_0 + r_0)|R^-\rangle|j_1\rangle + (t + r)|L^+\rangle|j_1\rangle \\
+ (r_0 + r_0)|L^-\rangle|j_2\rangle + (t_0 + r_0)|L^+\rangle|j_2\rangle] \downarrow. 
\]  
(7)

Subsequently, the photon is reflected by M_i (i = 1, 2) and passes through H_p\pi_i (i = 1, 2) again, and the state evolves to

\[
|\Phi_3\rangle = \frac{1}{4}[(t + r + t_0 + r_0)|R^+\rangle|j_2\rangle + (t + r + t_0 + r_0)|R^-\rangle|j_1\rangle \\
- (t + r - t_0 - r_0)|L^+\rangle|j_2\rangle + (t + r - t_0 - r_0)|L^-\rangle|j_1\rangle] \uparrow \\
+ \frac{1}{4}[(t + r + t_0 + r_0)|R^-\rangle|j_2\rangle + (t + r + t_0 + r_0)|R^+\rangle|j_1\rangle \\
+ (t + r - t_0 - r_0)|L^-\rangle|j_2\rangle - (t + r - t_0 - r_0)|L^+\rangle|j_1\rangle] \downarrow. 
\]  
(8)

At last, the photon passes through BS again and the final state can be described as

\[
|\Phi_4\rangle = D|R\rangle|i_1\rangle|\phi_+\rangle + T|L\rangle|i_2\rangle|\phi_-\rangle. 
\]  
(9)

Here \(D = \frac{1}{4}(t + r + t_0 + r_0)\) and \(T = \frac{1}{4}(t + r - t_0 - r_0)\) are the reflection coefficient and the transmission coefficient of the error-detected block, respectively. Similarly, if the QD in the cavity is prepared in the state \(|\phi_-\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\uparrow\rangle - |\downarrow\rangle)\), the outcome of the process can be described as

\[
|\Phi_5\rangle = D|R\rangle|i_1\rangle|\phi_-\rangle + T|L\rangle|i_2\rangle|\phi_+\rangle. 
\]  
(10)
One can see that there are two parts of the outcome. If the photon is reflected from the error-detected block with probability of $|D|^2$, the polarization of the photon and the state of the QD would not change. The reflected photon would be detected by the detector and the click of the detector represents the case in which the corresponding task of the error-detected block runs fail. If the photon is transmitted from the error-detected block with probability of $|T|^2$, the polarization of the photon is flipped and the superposition state of the QD is changed from $|\psi_+\rangle$ to $|\psi_-\rangle$ or from $|\psi_-\rangle$ to $|\psi_+\rangle$. We can utilize the transmitted photon and the QD-cavity to accomplish the tasks of deterministic HBSG, complete HBSA, and complete nondestructive HBSA with a high fidelity. $|D|$ and $|T|$ are affected by the $g/\kappa$ and $\kappa_s/\kappa$ as shown in Fig. 3. From Fig. 3, one can see that there exists a zero value of reflection coefficient, which results from the destructive interference. For the condition $g^2/\kappa\gamma \gg 1$ and $\kappa_s/2\kappa \gg 1$, the final state $|\Phi\rangle_f = |L\rangle|i_2\rangle|\psi_-\rangle$ and $|\Phi\rangle_f = |L\rangle|i_2\rangle|\psi_+\rangle$ of the error-detected block is obtained when the QD is prepared in the state $|\psi_+\rangle$ and $|\psi_-\rangle$, respectively.

![Fig. 2. Schematic diagram of the error-detected block. BS is a 50 : 50 beam splitter which performs the spatial-mode Hadamard operation $|i_1\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|j_1\rangle + |j_2\rangle)$, $|i_2\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|j_1\rangle - |j_2\rangle)$ on the photon. $H_{pi}$ ($i = 1, 2$) is a half-wave plate which performs the polarization Hadamard operation $|R\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|R\rangle + |L\rangle)$, $|L\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|R\rangle - |L\rangle)$ on the photon. $M_i$ ($i = 1, 2$) is a mirror. D is a single-photon detector.](image_url)

![Fig. 3. (a) The blue solid line and the red dashed line are the reflection coefficient $|D|$ of the error-detected block vs the normalized coupling strength $g/\kappa$ for the leakage rates $\kappa_s = 0.1\kappa$ and $\kappa_s = 0.2\kappa$, respectively. (b) The blue solid line and the red dashed line are the transmission coefficient $|T|$ of the error-heralded block vs $g/\kappa$ for $\kappa_s = 0.1\kappa$ and $\kappa_s = 0.2\kappa$, respectively. $\gamma = 0.1\kappa$, which is experimentally achievable, and $\omega = \omega_c = \omega_X$ are taken here.](image_url)
4. Deterministic photonic hyperentanglement generation

A two-photon four-qubit hyperentangled Bell state can be described as

$$|\Psi\rangle_{PS} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|RR\rangle + |LL\rangle)_{AB}(|a_1b_1\rangle + |a_2b_2\rangle)_{AB}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (11)

Here the subscripts $P$ and $S$ denote the polarization and the spatial-mode DOFs, respectively. The subscripts $A$ and $B$ represent the two photons in the hyperentangled state, respectively. $|R\rangle$ and $|L\rangle$ represent the right-circular and the left-circular polarizations of photons, respectively. $|a_1\rangle$ ($|b_1\rangle$) and $|a_2\rangle$ ($|b_2\rangle$) are the different spatial modes for photon $A$ ($B$). The four Bell states in the polarization DOF can be expressed as

$$|\phi^\pm\rangle_P = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|RR\rangle \pm |LL\rangle), \hspace{1cm} |\psi^\pm\rangle_P = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|RL\rangle \pm |LR\rangle).$$ \hspace{1cm} (12)

The four Bell states in the spatial-mode DOF can be written as

$$|\phi^\pm\rangle_S = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|a_1b_1\rangle \pm |a_2b_2\rangle), \hspace{1cm} |\psi^\pm\rangle_S = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|a_1b_2\rangle \pm |a_2b_1\rangle).$$ \hspace{1cm} (13)

The principle of our scheme for the two-photon polarization-spatial hyperentangled-Bell-state generation (HBSG) constructed with two error-detected blocks and some linear optical elements is shown in Fig. 4. The QDs are prepared in the initial states $|\varphi_+\rangle_1 = |\varphi_+\rangle_2$ and the two photons $A$ and $B$ with the same frequency are prepared in the same initial state $|\varphi\rangle_A = |\varphi\rangle_B = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|R\rangle + |L\rangle)$. The process for HBSG can be described in detail as follows.

First, one injects photon $A$ into the quantum circuit from the left input, followed by photon $B$. The time interval $\Delta t$ exists between photons $A$ and $B$, and $\Delta t$ should be less than the spin coherence time $\Gamma$. CPBS$_i$ will transmit the photon to path $a_i$ ($b_i$) and reflects the photon to path $a_2$ ($b_2$) when photon $A$ ($B$) is in the state $|L\rangle$ and $|R\rangle$, respectively. When photon $A$ ($B$) emerges in path $a_2$ ($b_2$), it passes through the error-detected block consisting of the QD-cavity.
system and $X_1$. Before the two wave packets split by CPBS$_1$ interfere at BS$_2$, the state of the whole system is changed from $\Omega_0 = |\varphi_1\rangle_B|\varphi_\omega_1\rangle_1|\varphi_\omega_2\rangle_2$ to $\Omega_1$. Here $\Omega_1$ is written as

$$\Omega_1 = \frac{1}{2} ([LL]|a_1 b_1\rangle|\varphi_+\rangle_1 + [LR]|a_1 b_2\rangle|\varphi_-\rangle_1$$

$$+ [RL]|a_2 b_2\rangle|\varphi_+\rangle_1 + [RR]|a_2 b_1\rangle|\varphi_-\rangle_1) (\varphi_+\rangle_2 \varphi_-\rangle_2).$$  \hfill (14)

Then BS$_2$, which performs the spatial-mode Hadamard operation $[a_1 (b_1)] \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} ([c_1 (d_1)] + [c_2 (d_2)])$, will lead photon $A (B)$ to paths $c_1 (d_1)$ and $c_2 (d_2)$. In path $c_2 (d_2)$, photon $A (B)$ passes through CPBS$_2$ which transmits the photon $A (B)$ in $|L\rangle$ and reflects the photon in $|R\rangle$, respectively. Then photon $A (B)$ in $|L\rangle$ takes a $\sigma^x_p$ operation by $X_2$ and passes through the error-detected block consisting of QD-cavity$_2$ system, sequentially. Photon $A (B)$ in $|R\rangle$ passes through the same error-detected block and takes a $\sigma^x_p$ operation by $X_3$, sequentially. At last, the two wave packets union at CPBS$_3$ in path $a_2 (b_2)$. The state of the whole system becomes

$$\Omega_2 = \frac{1}{2} ([\varphi^+\rangle_2 |\varphi_+\rangle_1 |\varphi_+\rangle_2 - |\varphi^-\rangle_2 |\varphi^+\rangle_1 |\varphi_-\rangle_2$$

$$+ |\varphi^+\rangle_2 |\varphi^-\rangle_1 |\varphi_+\rangle_2 + |\varphi^-\rangle_2 |\varphi^-\rangle_1 |\varphi_-\rangle_2).$$  \hfill (15)

From Eq. (15), one can see the relationship between the measurement outcomes of the two QD-cavity systems and the polarization-spatial hyperentangled Bell states of the two-photon system. If QD$_1$ and QD$_2$ are in the states $|\varphi_\omega_1\rangle_1$ and $|\varphi_\omega_2\rangle_2$, respectively, the two-photon system is in the hyperentangled Bell state $|\varphi^+\rangle_2 |\varphi^+\rangle_S$. If QD$_1$ and QD$_2$ are in the states $|\varphi_+\rangle_1$ and $|\varphi_-\rangle_2$, respectively, the two-photon system is in the hyperentangled Bell state $|\varphi^-\rangle_2 |\varphi^+\rangle_S$. When QD$_1$ and QD$_2$ are in the states $|\varphi_+\rangle_1$ and $|\varphi_\omega_2\rangle_2$, respectively, the two-photon system is in the hyperentangled Bell state $|\varphi^+\rangle_2 |\varphi^-\rangle_S$. When QD$_1$ and QD$_2$ are in the states $|\varphi_-\rangle_1$ and $|\varphi_-\rangle_2$, respectively, the two-photon system is in the hyperentangled Bell state $|\varphi^+\rangle_2 |\varphi^-\rangle_S$. Therefore, one can generate deterministically a polarization-spatial hyperentangled Bell state of the two-photon system by measuring the states of the two QDs. Other polarization-spatial hyperentangled Bell states can be generated with some appropriate single-qubit operations.

5. Complete polarization-spatial hyperentangled Bell states analysis

The schematic diagram of the complete polarization-spatial HBSA for hyperentangled two-photon systems is shown in Fig. 5. Here we use two error-detected blocks consisting of two QD-cavity systems and some linear optical elements to achieve the complete polarization-spatial HBSA. The two QDs are prepared in the initial states $|\varphi_\omega_1\rangle_1 = |\varphi_\omega_2\rangle_2$ and the hyperentangled two-photon system is in one of the 16 hyperentangled Bell states. The process for our HBSA can be described as follows.

One lets photon $A$ pass through the quantum circuit from the left input port, followed by photon $B$. And the two photons will be detected sequentially at the output port. The interval time $\Delta t$ existing between the two photons is less than the spin coherence time $\Gamma$. According to the results of the interaction between the circularly polarized photon and the error-detected block, after the two photons $A$ and $B$ pass through quantum circuit and before they are detected by the detectors ($D_{RL}$ and $D_{LL}$), the whole system composed of the two photons and the two
when QD1 (QD2) is in the spin state

\(|\psi_{+}\rangle_S|\varphi_{+}\rangle_1|\varphi_{+}\rangle_2\) or \(|\psi_{-}\rangle_S|\varphi_{+}\rangle_1|\varphi_{+}\rangle_2\) reveal the parity information in the polarization DOF. In detail, if the measurement outcome of the state is \(|\psi_{+}\rangle_S|\varphi_{+}\rangle_1|\varphi_{+}\rangle_2\), the photons are independently measured in both the polarization and the spatial-mode DOFs with single-photon detectors, and the two QDs are measured in the spin state diagram shown in Fig. 5 can be used for the complete and deterministic HBSA.

From Table 1, one can obtain the complete and deterministic analysis on hyperentangled Bell states of the two-photon system \(AB\). The measurement outcomes of QD1 and QD2 reveal the phase information in the polarization and the spatial-mode DOFs of the two-photon system respectively. In detail, when QD1 (QD2) is in the spin state \(|\varphi_{+}\rangle_1 (|\varphi_{-}\rangle_2\), the two-photon system is in the states \(|\varphi_{+}\rangle_P(S) \) or \(|\varphi_{-}\rangle_P(S) \) in the polarization (spatial-mode) DOF. Otherwise, when QD1 (QD2) is in the spin state \(|\varphi_{-}\rangle_1 (|\varphi_{+}\rangle_2\), the two-photon system is in the states \(|\psi_{+}\rangle_P(S) \) or \(|\psi_{-}\rangle_P(S) \) in the polarization (spatial-mode) DOF. The measurement outcomes of the states of the two-photon system in the polarization DOF reveal the parity information in the polarization DOF. In detail, if the measurement outcome of the state is \(RR\) or \(LL\), the two-photon system is in the state \(|\psi_{+}\rangle_P \) in the polarization DOF; otherwise, it is in the state \(|\psi_{-}\rangle_P \). The measurement outcomes of the states of the two-photon system in the spatial-mode DOF reveal the parity information in the spatial-mode DOF. In detail, if the measurement outcome of the state is \(a_1b_1\) or \(a_2b_2\), the two-photon system is in the state \(|\varphi_{+}\rangle_S\); otherwise, it is in the state \(|\psi_{+}\rangle_S\). That is, the schematic diagram shown in Fig. 5 can be used for the complete and deterministic HBSA.
Table 1. The relationship between the measurement outcomes of the states of the two-photon systems in the polarization and spatial-mode DOFs and the two QDs and the initial hyperentangled states of the two-photon system $|\Psi\rangle_{PS}$.

| QD$_1$ and QD$_2$ | Polarization | Spatial-mode | $|\Psi\rangle_{PS}$ |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|
| $|\varphi_+\rangle_1|\varphi_+\rangle_2$ | RR, LL | $a_1b_1, a_2b_1$ | $|\phi^+\rangle_P|\phi^+\rangle_S$ |
| $|\varphi_+\rangle_1|\varphi_+\rangle_2$ | RR, LL | $a_1b_2, a_2b_1$ | $|\phi^+\rangle_P|\phi^+\rangle_S$ |
| $|\varphi_+\rangle_1|\varphi_+\rangle_2$ | RL, LR | $a_1b_1, a_2b_2$ | $|\phi^\pm\rangle_P|\phi^\mp\rangle_S$ |
| $|\varphi_+\rangle_1|\varphi_+\rangle_2$ | RL, LR | $a_1b_2, a_2b_1$ | $|\phi^\pm\rangle_P|\phi^\mp\rangle_S$ |
| $|\varphi_+\rangle_1|\varphi_+\rangle_2$ | RL, LL | $a_1b_1, a_2b_2$ | $|\phi^\pm\rangle_P|\phi^\mp\rangle_S$ |
| $|\varphi_+\rangle_1|\varphi_+\rangle_2$ | RL, LL | $a_1b_2, a_2b_1$ | $|\phi^\pm\rangle_P|\phi^\mp\rangle_S$ |
| $|\varphi_-\rangle_1|\varphi_-\rangle_2$ | RL, LR | $a_1b_1, a_2b_2$ | $|\phi^-\rangle_P|\phi^+\rangle_S$ |
| $|\varphi_-\rangle_1|\varphi_-\rangle_2$ | RL, LL | $a_1b_2, a_2b_1$ | $|\phi^-\rangle_P|\phi^+\rangle_S$ |

Fig. 6. Schematic diagram of the complete nondestructive polarization-spatial HBSA.

6. Complete nondestructive polarization-spatial hyperentangled Bell-state analysis

The protocol for the complete polarization-spatial HBSA proposed in the former section is destructive. After the analysis of two-photon polarization-spatial hyperentangled Bell states, the two photons are detected at last and they cannot be used for other quantum information processing tasks. In this section, we propose a complete nondestructive polarization-spatial HBSA. The schematic diagram of the complete nondestructive polarization-spatial HBSA is shown in Fig. 6. The four QDs are all prepared in the states $|\varphi_+\rangle_1 = |\varphi_+\rangle_2 = |\varphi_+\rangle_3 = |\varphi_+\rangle_4$ and the hyperentangled two-photon system is in one of the 16 hyperentangled Bell states.

One lets photon $A$ pass through the quantum circuit from the left input port, followed by photon $B$. The interval time $\Delta t$, which is less than the spin coherence time $\Gamma$, exists between the two photons. After the two photons $A$ and $B$ passes through quantum circuit, the evolution of the system composed of two photons and four QDs is shown in Table 2.

From Table 2, one can obtain the complete and deterministic analysis on hyperentangled Bell states of a two-photon system $AB$ without detecting it. The measurement outcomes of QD$_1$ and QD$_3$ show the parity information in the polarization DOF and the spatial-mode DOF.
With the error-detected block, our schemes for the deterministic HBSG, complete HBSA, and complete nondestructive HBSA of the polarization-spatial hyperentangled two-photon system are proposed. In an ideal condition, the fidelity of the process for deterministic HBSG, complete HBSA, or complete nondestructive HBSA is defined as \( F = \langle \psi_\psi | \psi_R \rangle^2 \). Here \( |\psi_R\rangle \) and \( |\psi_\psi\rangle \) are the final states in the realistic condition and ideal condition, respectively. The efficiency is defined as the ratio of the number of the output photons to the input photons. The fidelities of our scheme for deterministic

| QD1 | QD2 | QD3 | QD4 | |ψ\rangle_{PS} |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----------------|
| |ψ\rangle_1 | |ψ\rangle_2 | |ψ\rangle_3 | |ψ\rangle_4 | |ψ\rangle_{PS} |
| |ψ\rangle_1 | |ψ\rangle_2 | |ψ\rangle_3 | |ψ\rangle_4 | |φ^+\rangle_P | |φ^+\rangle_S |
| |ψ\rangle_1 | |ψ\rangle_2 | |ψ\rangle_3 | |ψ\rangle_4 | |φ^-\rangle_P | |φ^-\rangle_S |
| |ψ\rangle_1 | |ψ\rangle_2 | |ψ\rangle_3 | |ψ\rangle_4 | |ψ^-\rangle_P | |ψ^-\rangle_S |
| |ψ\rangle_1 | |ψ\rangle_2 | |ψ\rangle_3 | |ψ\rangle_4 | |φ^+\rangle_P | |φ^-\rangle_S |
| |ψ\rangle_1 | |ψ\rangle_2 | |ψ\rangle_3 | |ψ\rangle_4 | |φ^-\rangle_P | |φ^-\rangle_S |
| |ψ\rangle_1 | |ψ\rangle_2 | |ψ\rangle_3 | |ψ\rangle_4 | |ψ^-\rangle_P | |ψ^-\rangle_S |
| |ψ\rangle_1 | |ψ\rangle_2 | |ψ\rangle_3 | |ψ\rangle_4 | |φ^+\rangle_P | |φ^-\rangle_S |
| |ψ\rangle_1 | |ψ\rangle_2 | |ψ\rangle_3 | |ψ\rangle_4 | |φ^-\rangle_P | |φ^-\rangle_S |

7. Discussion and summary

Assisted by the optical transitions in a QD-cavity system, we construct an error-detected block. With the error-detected block, our schemes for the deterministic HBSG, complete HBSA, and complete nondestructive HBSA of the polarization-spatial hyperentangled two-photon system are proposed. In an ideal condition, \(|\Phi\rangle_{f_1} = |L\rangle|l_1\rangle|\varphi_-\rangle\) or \(|\Phi\rangle_{f_2} = |L\rangle|l_2\rangle|\varphi_+\rangle\) can be obtained after the right-polarized photon \(|R\rangle\) interacting with the error-detected block and the fidelities and the efficiencies of our schemes can be 100%. However, in a realistic condition, the outcomes of the interaction between the right-polarized photon \(|R\rangle\) and the error-detected block, which are described as Eqs. (9) and (10), are affected by the coupling constant between \(X^-\) and the cavity \(g\), the cavity decay rate \(\kappa\), the leaky rate \(\kappa_s\), and the exciton dipole decay rate \(\gamma\), which would affect the fidelities and the efficiencies as well.

The fidelity of the process for deterministic HBSG, complete HBSA, or complete nondestructive HBSA is defined as \( F = \langle |\psi_\psi\rangle | \psi_R \rangle^2 \). Here \(|\psi_R\rangle\) and \(|\psi_\psi\rangle\) are the final states in the realistic condition and ideal condition, respectively. The efficiency is defined as the ratio of the number of the output photons to the input photons. The fidelities of our scheme for deterministic.
They vary with the parameter $g/\kappa$. The fidelities and the efficiencies of our deterministic HBSG are described as

$$F_1 = \frac{(T^2 + 1)^4}{4(T^4 + 1)^2}, \quad F_2 = F_3 = \frac{(1 + T^2)^2}{2(1 + T^4)}, \quad F_4 = 1. \quad (17)$$

Here $F_1$, $F_2$, $F_3$ and $F_4$ are the fidelities of generating the hyperentangled Bell states $|\phi^+\rangle_P|\phi^+\rangle_S, |\phi^-\rangle_P|\phi^+\rangle_S, |\phi^+\rangle_P|\phi^-\rangle_S$, and $|\psi^-\rangle_P|\psi^-\rangle_S$, respectively. The fidelity of generating the hyperentangled Bell state $|\psi^-\rangle_P|\psi^-\rangle_S$ is unity. The efficiencies of generating these four hyperentangled states with our scheme of deterministic HBSG are described as

$$\eta_1 = \frac{1}{4}(T^4 + 1), \quad \eta_2 = \eta_3 = \frac{1}{2}(T^2 + T^6), \quad \eta_4 = T^4. \quad (18)$$

The fidelities and the efficiencies of our deterministic HBSG scheme vary with the parameter $g/\kappa$ in the conditions of $\gamma = 0.1\kappa$ and $\kappa_s = 0.2\kappa$ are shown in Figs. 7(a) and (b), respectively. From Figs. 7(a) and (b), one can see that when $g/\kappa = 0.5$, which is a low-Q-factor of a cavity, the fidelities are $F_1 = 85.45\%$ and $F_2 = F_3 = 92.44\%$ and the efficiencies are $\eta_1 = 42.79\%$, $\eta_2 = \eta_3 = 36.32\%$, and $\eta_4 = 30.83\%$ in the conditions $\gamma = 0.1\kappa$ and $\kappa_s = 0.2\kappa$. For a strong coupling between the QDs and the cavity, $g/\kappa > 1$, the fidelities are $F_1 > 95.78\%$ and $F_2 = F_3 > 97.86\%$, and the efficiencies are $\eta_1 > 60.17\%$, $\eta_2 = \eta_3 > 57.60\%$, and $\eta_4 > 55.13\%$ in the conditions $\gamma = 0.1\kappa$ and $\kappa_s = 0.2\kappa$.

The fidelity and the efficiency of our complete HBSA scheme for the hyperentangled Bell state $|\phi^+\rangle_P|\phi^+\rangle_S$ are described as

$$F_{HBSA1} = \frac{(T^2 + 1)^4}{(T^2 + 1)^4 + 2(1 - T^4)^2 + (1 - T^2)^4}, \quad \eta_{HBSA1} = \frac{1}{16}[(T^2 + 1)^4 + 2(1 - T^4)^2 + (1 - T^2)^4]. \quad (19)$$

They vary with the parameter $g/\kappa$, shown as the blue solid lines in Figs. 8(a) and (b), respectively. The fidelity and the efficiency of our complete nondestructive HBSA scheme for the hyperentangled Bell state $|\phi^+\rangle_P|\phi^+\rangle_S$ are given by

$$F_{HBSA2} = \frac{(1 + T^2)^8}{[(1 + T^2)^4 + (1 - T^4)^2 + 4T^2(1 - T^2)^2]^2}, \quad \eta_{HBSA2} = \frac{1}{256}[(1 + T^2)^4 + (1 - T^4)^2 + 4T^2(1 - T^2)^2]^2. \quad (20)$$
Fig. 8. The performance of our complete HBSA scheme and complete nondestructive HBSA scheme for the hyperentangled Bell state $|\phi^+\rangle_P |\phi^+\rangle_S$. The blue solid line and the red dashed line describe the performance of our complete HBSA and complete nondestructive HBSA schemes, respectively. (a) The fidelities of our complete HBSA scheme and complete nondestructive HBSA scheme. (b) The efficiencies of our complete HBSA scheme and complete nondestructive HBSA scheme. $\gamma = 0.1 \kappa$ and $\kappa_s = 0.2 \kappa$, which are experimentally achievable, are taken here.

The red dashed lines in Figs. 8(a) and (b) describe $F_{HBSG2}$ and $\eta_{HBSG2}$ varying with the parameter $g/\kappa$, respectively. When the parameter $g/\kappa$ is larger than 1, the fidelities of our complete HBSA scheme and complete nondestructive HBSA scheme will be higher than $F_{HBSA1} = 95.78\%$ and $F_{HBSA2} = 91.89\%$, respectively, for the hyperentangled Bell state $|\phi^+\rangle_P |\phi^+\rangle_S$ in the conditions $\gamma = 0.1 \kappa$ and $\kappa_s = 0.2 \kappa$. And the efficiencies will be higher than $\eta_{HBSA1} = 60.17\%$ and $\eta_{HBSA2} = 36.13\%$.

Besides the parameters $g$, $\kappa$, $\kappa_s$ and $\gamma$, the fidelities would also be affected by the exciton dephasing, including the optical dephasing and the spin dephasing of $X^-$. Exciton dephasing reduces the fidelity by the amount of $[1 - \exp(-\tau/\Gamma)]$, where $\tau$ and $\Gamma$ are the cavity photon lifetime and the trion coherence time, respectively. The optical dephasing reduces the fidelity less than 10\%, because the time scale of the excitons can reach hundreds of picoseconds [52–54], while the cavity photon lifetime is in the tens of picoseconds range for a self-assembled In(Ga)As-based QD with a cavity $Q$ factor of $10^4 - 10^5$ in the strong coupling regime. The effect of the spin dephasing can be neglected because the spin decoherence time is several orders of magnitude longer than the cavity photon lifetime [55–57].

In addition, the fidelity can be affected by the imperfect optical selection induced by heavy-light hole mixing [58]. However, this imperfect mixing can be reduced by engineering the shape and the size of QDs or by choosing the types of QDs.

As the three protocols for deterministic HBSG, complete HBSA, and complete nondestructive HBSA are constructed by our error-detected block, the errors are detectable and the fidelities are improved. The low efficiencies can be remedied by repeat until success. Once our protocols succeeds, which means the detectors of the error-detected block don’t click, the high fidelities can be obtained. This feature seems more important in the protocol for deterministic HBSG, which means high-quality hyperentangled Bell states can be generated.

In our schemes, the spin superposition state $|\varphi_+\rangle$ is prepared initially. It can be prepared from the spin eigenstates by using nanosecond electron-spin-resonance pulses or picosecond optical pulses. The preparation time for the spin superposition state can be significantly shorter than $\Gamma$ because of the ultrafast optical coherent control of electron spins in semiconductor quantum wells and in semiconductor QDs. The measurement of the spin superposition state in the basis $\{|\varphi_+\rangle, |\varphi_-\rangle\}$ is required in each scheme. By applying a Hadamard operation on the electron spin, the spin superposition states $|\varphi_+\rangle$ and $|\varphi_-\rangle$ can be transformed into the spin states $|\uparrow\rangle$ and $|\downarrow\rangle$, which can be detected by measuring the helicity of the transmitted or reflected photon.
In our proposal, the two cavity modes with right- and left- circular polarizations, which couple to the two transitions \(|\uparrow\rangle \leftrightarrow |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle\) and \(|\downarrow\rangle \leftrightarrow |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle\), respectively, are required. Many good experiments that provide a cavity supporting both of two circularly-polarized modes with the same frequency have been realized [59–62]. For example, Luxmoore et al. [59] presented a technique for fine tuning of the energy split between the two circularly-polarized modes to just 0.15 nm in 2012.

In summary, we have proposed some schemes for the deterministic HBSG, the complete HBSA, and the complete nondestructive HBSA of the polarization-spatial hyperentangled two-photon system assisted by our error-detected block. The error-detected block is constructed by the optical transitions in QD-cavity system. With the help of our error-detected block, the errors can be detected, which is far different from other previous schemes assisted by the interaction between the photon and the QD-cavity system. Maybe this good feature makes our schemes more useful in long-distance quantum communication in the future.

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