

Continuous Variable Entropic Uncertainty Relations in the Presence of Quantum Memory

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Motivation

Some History

Position and Momentum Operators:

- Heisenberg's Uncertainty Relation

$$\sqrt{\text{Var}(Q)\text{Var}(P)} \geq \hbar/2$$

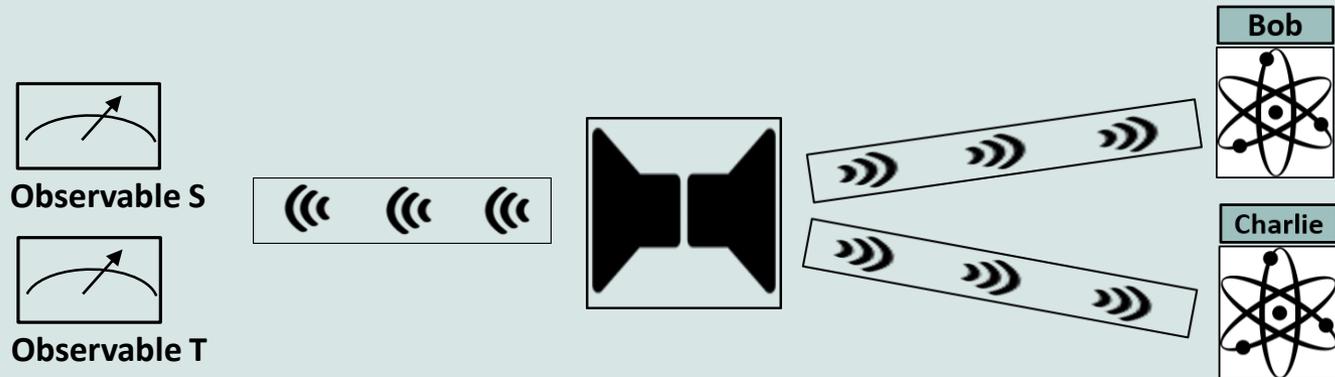
- Generalization to Entropies (Beckner 75, I. Białynicki-Birula and J. Mycielski. 75)

$$h(Q) + h(P) \geq \log e\pi$$

Finite dimensional (Massen and Uffink 88):

$$H(S) + H(T) \geq -\log c \quad c = \max_{k,l} |\langle s_k | t_l \rangle|^2$$

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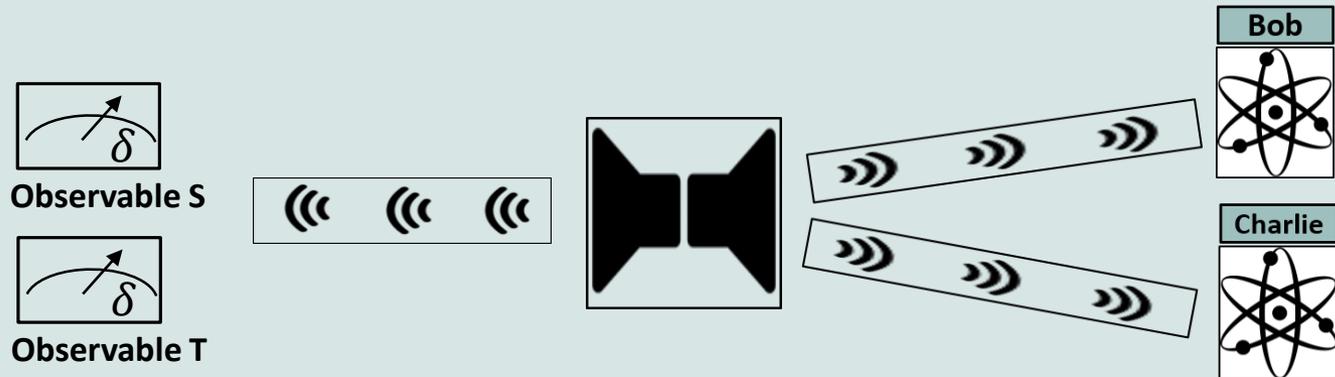


Example: A & B share maximally entangled qubits and $S = \sigma_Z$, $T = \sigma_X$

- no uncertainty for Bob**
- maximal uncertainty for Charlie:** completely uncorrelated to Alice and Alice's state is maximally mixed

Combines uncertainty principle with monogamy of entanglement.

Motivation: Uncertainty Principle in the Presence of Quantum Memory



Constraint on the sum of the uncertainty of Q w.r.t. Bob and P w.r.t. Eve:

$$H(S|B) + H(T|E) \geq -\log c$$

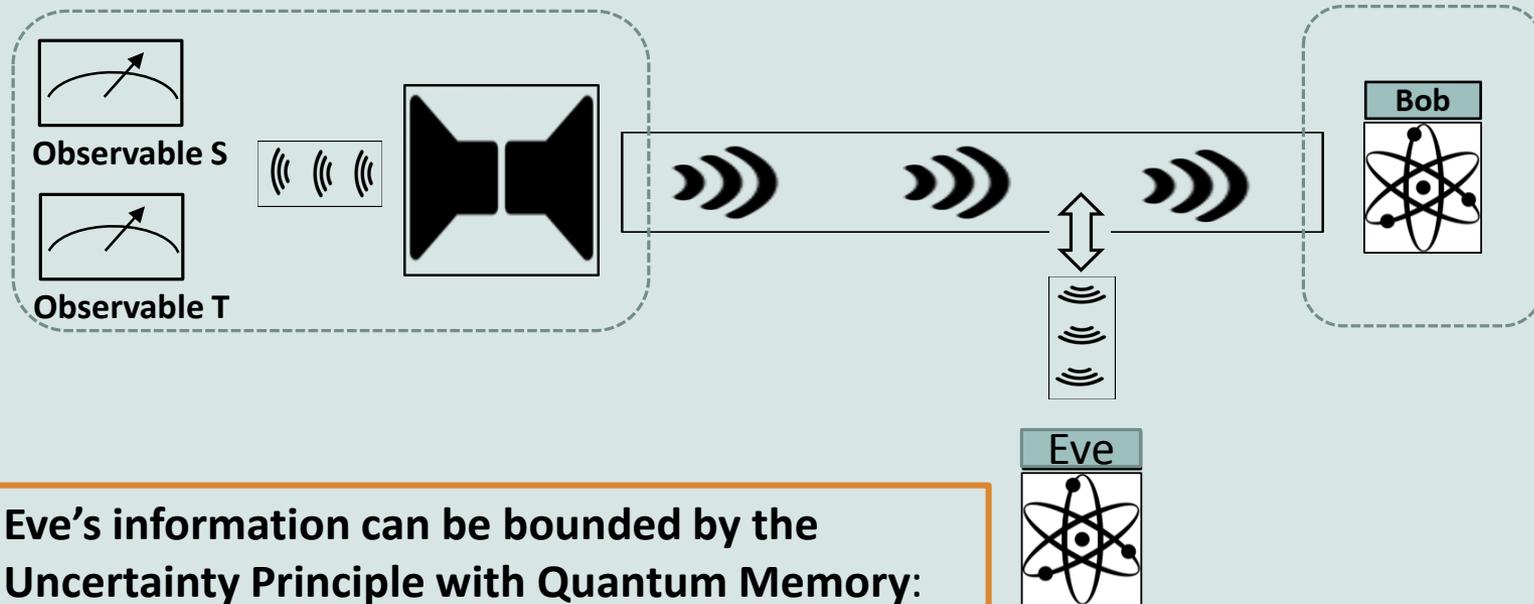
$H(S|B) = H(SB) - H(B)$ von conditional Neumann entropy of $\rho_{SB} = \sum_s P(s) |s\rangle\langle s| \otimes \rho_B^s$.

Exactly what we use in Quantum Key Distribution Protocols!

M. Berta et al., Nature Physics 6, 2010

Motivation:

The connection between QKD and the Uncertainty Principle with Quantum Memory



Eve's information can be bounded by the Uncertainty Principle with Quantum Memory:

$$H(S|E) \geq -\log c - H(T|B)$$

Motivation:

Application of the Uncertainty Principle with Quantum Memory in QKD Security Proofs

Discrete Protocol:

Security of BB84 Protocol against coherent attacks including finite-size effects

M. Tomamichel, C. C. W. Lim, N. Gisin, and R. Renner, *Nat. Commun.* **3**, 634 (2012).

Continuous Variable Protocol:

Security of two-mode squeezed state against coherent attacks including finite-size effects FF, T. Franz, M. Berta, A. Leverrier, V. B. Scholz, M. Tomamichel, and R. F. Werner, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **109**, 100502 (2012)

first quantitative analyses against coherent attacks!

using a binning of the continuous outcomes measurements into a finite number of outcomes

Implementation:

Realization of finite-size continuous-variable quantum key distribution based on Einstein-Podolsky-Rosen entanglement

[Tobias Eberle](#), and Vitus Händchen, Fabian Furrer, Torsten Franz, Jörg Duhme, Reinhard F. Werner, and Roman Schnabel

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Generalize Uncertainty Principle to

- continuous outcomes (e.g., Position-Momentum Operators)
- arbitrary (infinite-dimensional) quantum memories

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Outlook

I. Continuous Variable Systems

- Position and Momentum Operators

II. Differential Conditional von Neumann Entropy

- Approximation by finer and finer coarse graining

III. Uncertainty Relations in Presence of Quantum Memory

- Finite precision position-momentum measurements
- Infinite precision position-momentum measurements

Continuous Variable (CV) Systems

Most Important Example in Quantum Information processing:

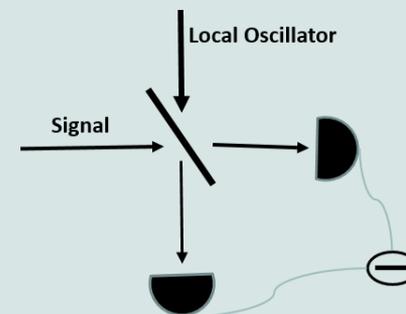
Quadratures of em-field (continuous degree of freedom)

Measurement: **Homodyne detection**

Model for one mode:

- Equivalent to Harmonic Oscillator
- Infinite-dimensional Hilbert space (square integrable functions)
- Quadrature Measurement with phase shift $\phi = \frac{\pi}{2}$: P, Q satisfying

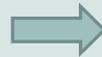
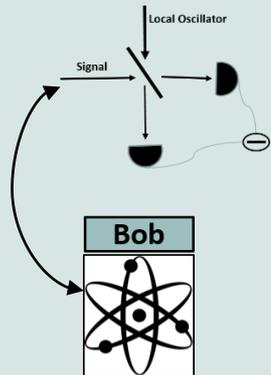
$$[Q, P] = i$$



Position & Momentum Operators: Continuous spectrum!

Position & Momentum Measurements

Continuous Outcomes (infinite precision):



Outcome:

$x \in X = \text{Real Line}$

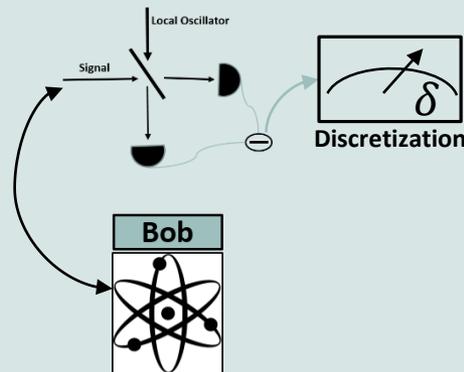
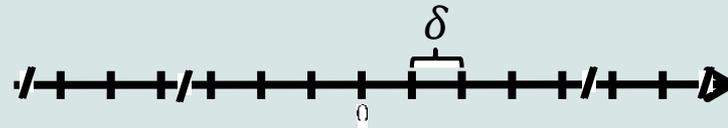
$\rho_B(x) = \text{post-}$
 measurement state

**Continuous probability
distribution & set of post-
measurement states:**

$\rho_{XB} \equiv P(x), \{\rho_B(x)\}$

Position & Momentum Measurements

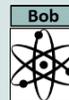
Discrete Outcomes (finite precision):



Outcome:

$$k \in X_\delta = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$\rho_B^k$$

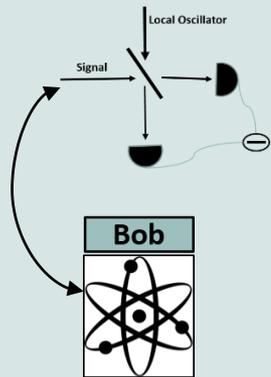


Discrete probability distribution & set of post-measurement states:

$$\rho_{X_\delta B} \stackrel{''}{=} p_k, \{\rho_B^k\}$$

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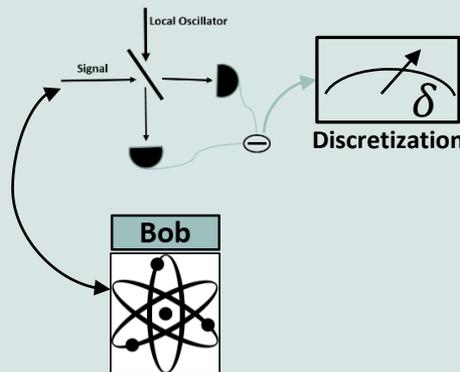
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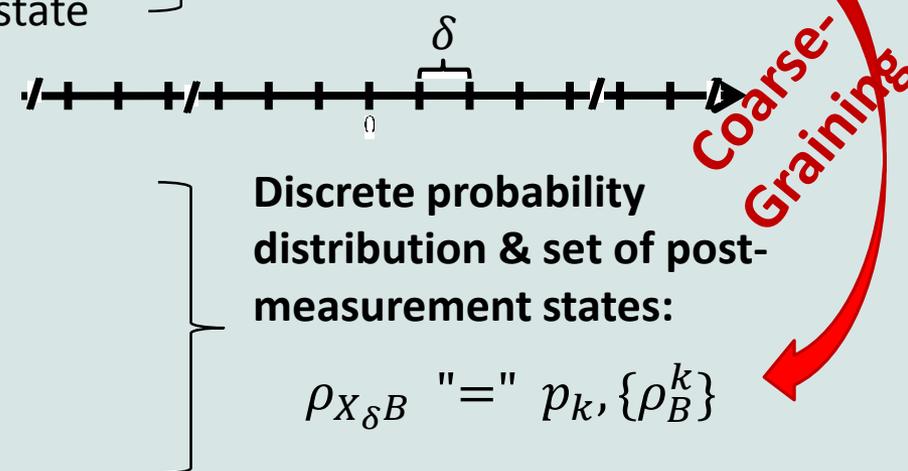
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II. Differential Conditional Entropies

Our approach to differential conditional entropies:

*A unified definition of conditional entropies
continuous in the limit of finer and finer coarse
graining!*

Further:

- Most General Setting
- No restriction on the states (important for QKD)

II. Differential Conditional Entropies: The Conditional von Neumann Entropy

Y finite discrete, B finite-dimensional system:

$$H(Y|B) = H(YB) - H(B)$$

- $\rho_{YB} = \sum_y p_y |y\rangle\langle y| \otimes \rho_B^y$ “=” $p_y, \{\rho_B^y\}$, $H(\rho) = -\text{tr } \rho \log \rho$
- $H(Y|B) = -\sum_y D(p_y \rho_B^y || \rho_B)$ with $D(\rho || \sigma) = \text{tr } \rho \log \rho - \text{tr } \rho \log \sigma$
quantum relative entropy (arbitrary quantum systems, Araki '76)

Definition: (X, μ) measure space

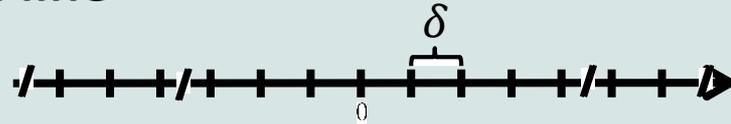
$$h(X|B) = -\int D(P(x)\rho_B(x) || \rho_B) d\mu(x)$$

- $X = \text{real line: } h(X|B) = -\int D(P(x)\rho_B(x) || \rho_B) dx$: **differential entropy**
- $X = \text{discrete: } H(X|B) = -\sum_x D(p_x \rho_B^x || \rho_B)$ (capital letter)

II. Differential Conditional Entropies: Discrete Approximation

Continuous Variable $X =$ real line

I. Coarse Graining with δ :



Observable S

$X_\delta =$ discrete and conditional entropy $H(X_\delta|B)$

II. Infinte Precision:

$X =$ real line and conditional entropy $h(X|B)$

Approximaton Theorem:

$$h(X|B) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} (H(X_\delta|B) + \log \delta)$$

- Assumptions: $h(X|B) > -\infty$ and $H(X_\delta|B) < \infty$ for an arbitrary δ .

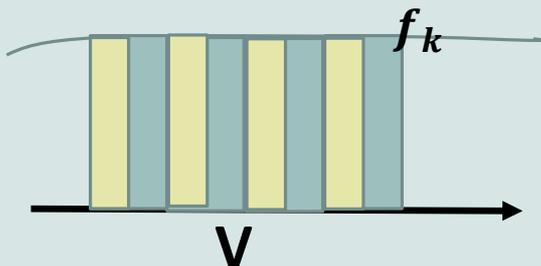
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- Operational Approach
- Practical (computations)
- Intuition: It converges for δ small enough such that function looks constant

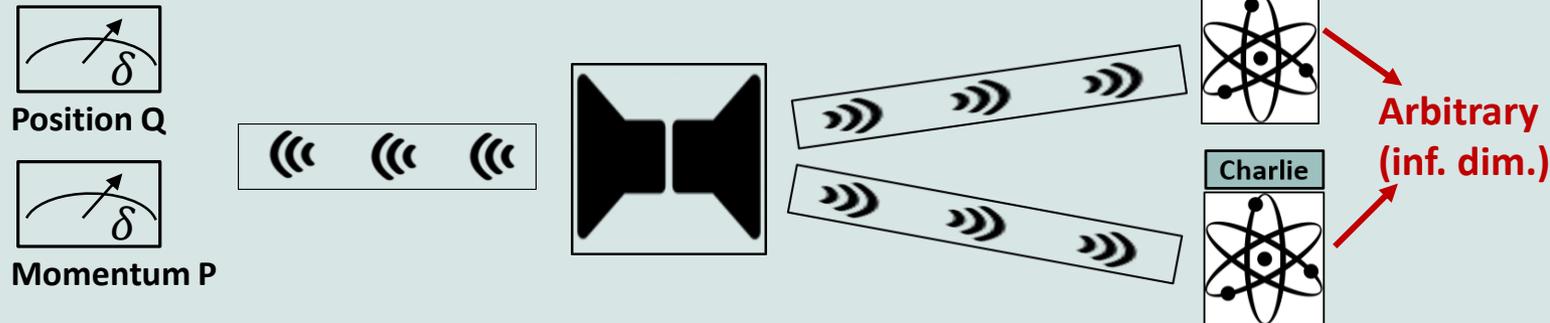
$$2^{h(X|B)} = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{2^{H(X_\delta|B)}}{\delta}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Entropy in } V &= -\frac{V}{\delta} * (\delta f_k) \log \delta f_k = \\ &= -V f_k \log f_k - V f_k \log \delta \end{aligned}$$

III. Uncertainty Relation in Presence of Quantum Memory P-Q Measurements with Finite Precision

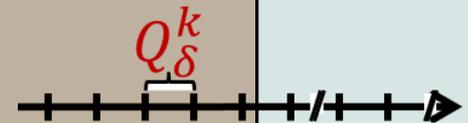
Finite Precision Measurements



Uncertainty Relation (finite precision):

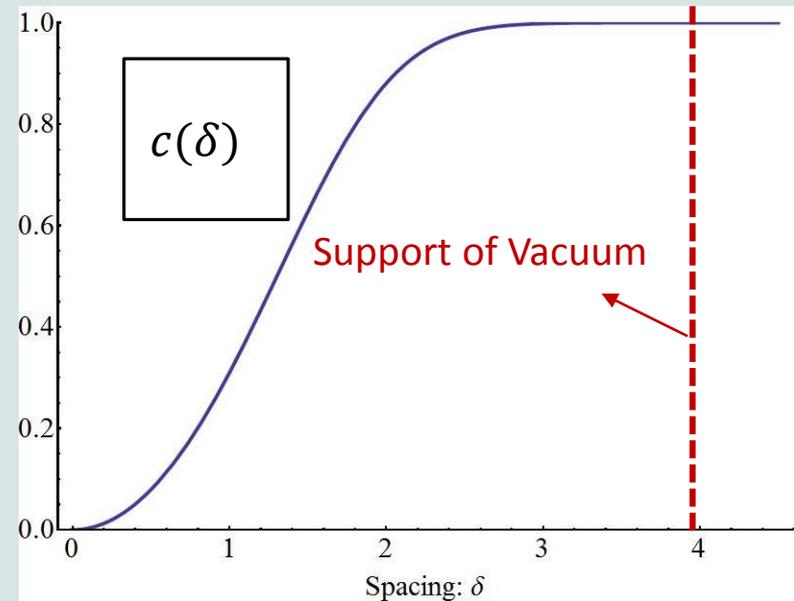
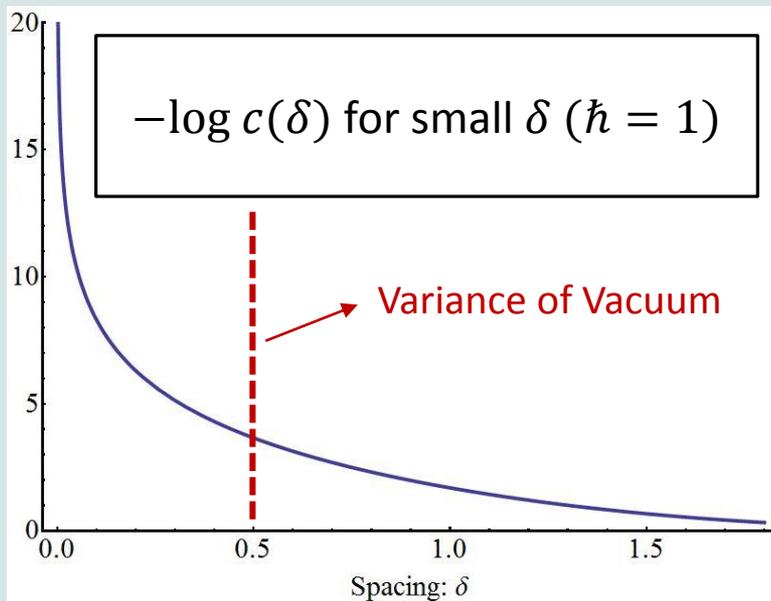
$$H(Q_\delta|B) + H(P_\delta|C) \geq -\log c(\delta)$$

$$c(\delta) = \sup_{k,l} \left\| \sqrt{Q_\delta^k} \sqrt{P_\delta^l} \right\|^2 \approx \frac{\delta^2}{2\pi\hbar}$$



III. Uncertainty Relation in Presence of Quantum Memory The Complementarity Constant

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III. Uncertainty Relation in Presence of Quantum Memory P-Q Measurements with Infinite Precision

Discrete Approximation Theorem:

$$H(Q_\delta|B) + \log\delta + H(P_\delta|C) + \log\delta \geq \log \frac{c(\delta)}{\delta^2}$$



$$\delta \rightarrow 0, \quad h(X|B) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} (H(X_\delta|B) + \log\delta)$$

Uncertainty Relation (continuous case):

$$h(Q|B) + h(P|C) \geq \log 2\pi\hbar$$

Is it sharp (exists a state for which equality holds)?

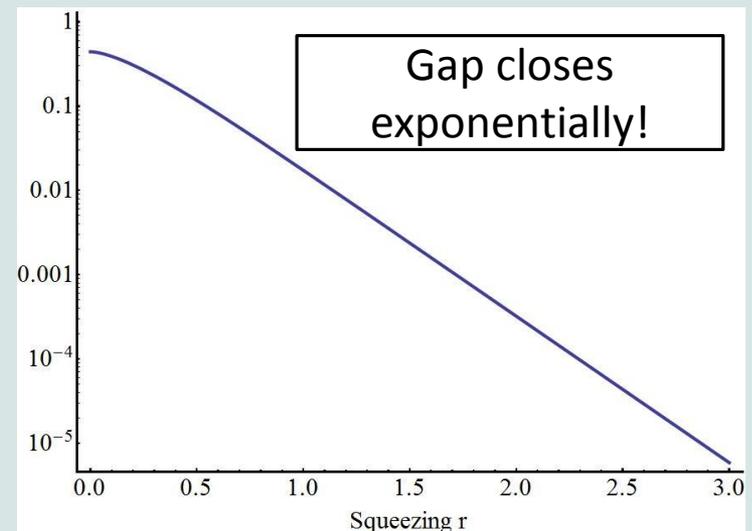
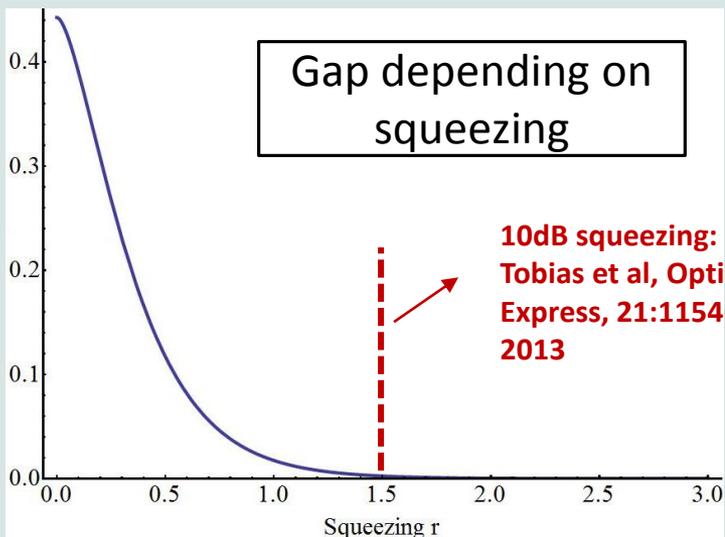
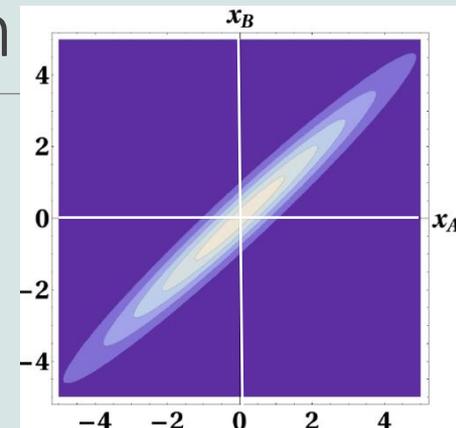
- Not sharp without quantum memory: (Beckner, Ann. of Math., 102:159, 1975)

$$h(Q) + h(P) \geq \log e\pi\hbar$$

III. Uncertainty Relation in Presence of Quantum Memory Sharpness of the Uncertainty Relation

Sharp with quantum memory:

- **EPR-state on A and B for Infinite squeezing !**
(EPR-state = pure two-mode squeezed Gaussian state with maximally correlated quadratures)



Conclusion and Outlook

Summary

- introduced general differential conditional entropy measures
- derived uncertainty relations for coarse-grained and continuous outcomes.
- Same uncertainty relations for min- and max-entropies (tight for finite and infinite precision measurements)
- tight in the continuous case

Outlook:

- Possible applications in QKD: no discretization needed (extremality of Gaussian attacks)
- Approximation of discrete entropies: $H(X_\delta|B) \geq h(X|B) - \log \delta$
- ...

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