

Supplementary information of “High-fidelity entanglement swapping and generation of three-qubit GHZ state using asynchronous telecom photon pair sources”

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We derive a relation among the polarization correlation visibilities of the swapped photon pairs $V_{X(Y)} = |P'_{\text{DA(RL)}} - P'_{\text{DD(RR)}}| / (P'_{\text{DA(RL)}} + P'_{\text{DD(RR)}})$, the autocorrelation functions, and parameter $\chi := n/s = (1 - V_{\text{in}})/(1 + V_{\text{in}})$. We define creation operators of the input and the output light of the HBS as $\hat{a}_{ik}^\dagger$ and $\hat{b}_{jk}^\dagger$, respectively, where $i = 3, 4$, $j = 3', 4'$, $k = \text{H, V, D, A, R, L}$. As in our experiment, we assume that the transmittance η_i of the system including the detection efficiency of Di for $i = 3, 4$ is much less than 1 such that the detection probabilities are proportional to the photon number in the detected mode. The coincidence probability P' between D3 and D4 for a general input to the HBS is given by

$$P' = \eta_3 \eta_4 \langle \hat{b}_{3'\text{V}}^\dagger \hat{b}_{4'\text{H}}^\dagger \hat{b}_{3'\text{V}} \hat{b}_{4'\text{H}} \rangle \quad (\text{S1})$$

For calculating P'_{DD} and P'_{DA} , we rewrite it in terms of input operators with polarizations D and A as $\hat{a}_{i\text{H}}^\dagger = (\hat{a}_{i\text{D}}^\dagger + \hat{a}_{i\text{A}}^\dagger)/\sqrt{2}$ and $\hat{a}_{i\text{V}}^\dagger = (\hat{a}_{i\text{D}}^\dagger - \hat{a}_{i\text{A}}^\dagger)/\sqrt{2}$. Using a unitary operator $\hat{U}$ of the HBS satisfying $\hat{U} \hat{b}_{3'k}^\dagger \hat{U}^\dagger = (\hat{a}_{3k}^\dagger + \hat{a}_{4k}^\dagger)/\sqrt{2}$ and $\hat{U} \hat{b}_{4'k}^\dagger \hat{U}^\dagger = (\hat{a}_{3k}^\dagger - \hat{a}_{4k}^\dagger)/\sqrt{2}$, Eq. (S1) is transformed into

$$P' = \frac{1}{16} \eta_3 \eta_4 \langle \{(\hat{a}_{3\text{D}}^\dagger - \hat{a}_{4\text{A}}^\dagger) + (\hat{a}_{4\text{D}}^\dagger - \hat{a}_{3\text{A}}^\dagger)\} \{(\hat{a}_{3\text{D}}^\dagger - \hat{a}_{4\text{A}}^\dagger) - (\hat{a}_{4\text{D}}^\dagger - \hat{a}_{3\text{A}}^\dagger)\} \{(\hat{a}_{3\text{D}} - \hat{a}_{4\text{A}}) + (\hat{a}_{4\text{D}} - \hat{a}_{3\text{A}})\} \{(\hat{a}_{3\text{D}} - \hat{a}_{4\text{A}}) - (\hat{a}_{4\text{D}} - \hat{a}_{3\text{A}})\} \rangle \quad (\text{S2})$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} \eta_3 \eta_4 (\langle \hat{a}_{3\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{D}} \hat{a}_{3\text{D}} \rangle + \langle \hat{a}_{3\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{A}} \hat{a}_{3\text{A}} \rangle + \langle \hat{a}_{4\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{D}} \hat{a}_{4\text{D}} \rangle + \langle \hat{a}_{4\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{A}} \hat{a}_{4\text{A}} \rangle + 4(\langle \hat{a}_{3\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{D}} \rangle \langle \hat{a}_{4\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{A}} \rangle + \langle \hat{a}_{3\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{A}} \rangle \langle \hat{a}_{4\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{D}} \rangle)), \quad (\text{S3})$$

where we have used the assumption of independence between the D and A polarizations. For calculation of P'_{DD} , we substitute $\langle \hat{a}_{3\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{D}} \rangle = \langle \hat{a}_{4\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{D}} \rangle = s$, $\langle \hat{a}_{3\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{A}} \rangle = \langle \hat{a}_{4\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{A}} \rangle = n$, $\langle \hat{a}_{3\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{D}} \hat{a}_{3\text{D}} \rangle = \langle \hat{a}_{4\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{D}} \hat{a}_{4\text{D}} \rangle = s^2 g_s^{(2)}$, and $\langle \hat{a}_{3\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{A}} \hat{a}_{3\text{A}} \rangle = \langle \hat{a}_{4\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{A}} \hat{a}_{4\text{A}} \rangle = n^2 g_n^{(2)}$, leading to

$$P'_{\text{DD}} = \frac{1}{8} \eta_3 \eta_4 (s^2 g_s^{(2)} + n^2 g_n^{(2)} + 4sn). \quad (\text{S4})$$

For P'_{DA} , substituting $\langle \hat{a}_{3\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{D}} \rangle = \langle \hat{a}_{4\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{A}} \rangle = s$, $\langle \hat{a}_{3\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{A}} \rangle = \langle \hat{a}_{4\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{D}} \rangle = n$, $\langle \hat{a}_{3\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{D}} \hat{a}_{3\text{D}} \rangle = \langle \hat{a}_{4\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{A}} \hat{a}_{4\text{A}} \rangle = s^2 g_s^{(2)}$, and $\langle \hat{a}_{3\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{A}} \hat{a}_{3\text{A}} \rangle = \langle \hat{a}_{4\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{D}} \hat{a}_{4\text{D}} \rangle = n^2 g_n^{(2)}$, we have

$$P'_{\text{DA}} = \frac{1}{8} \eta_3 \eta_4 (s^2 g_s^{(2)} + n^2 g_n^{(2)} + 2(s^2 + n^2)). \quad (\text{S5})$$

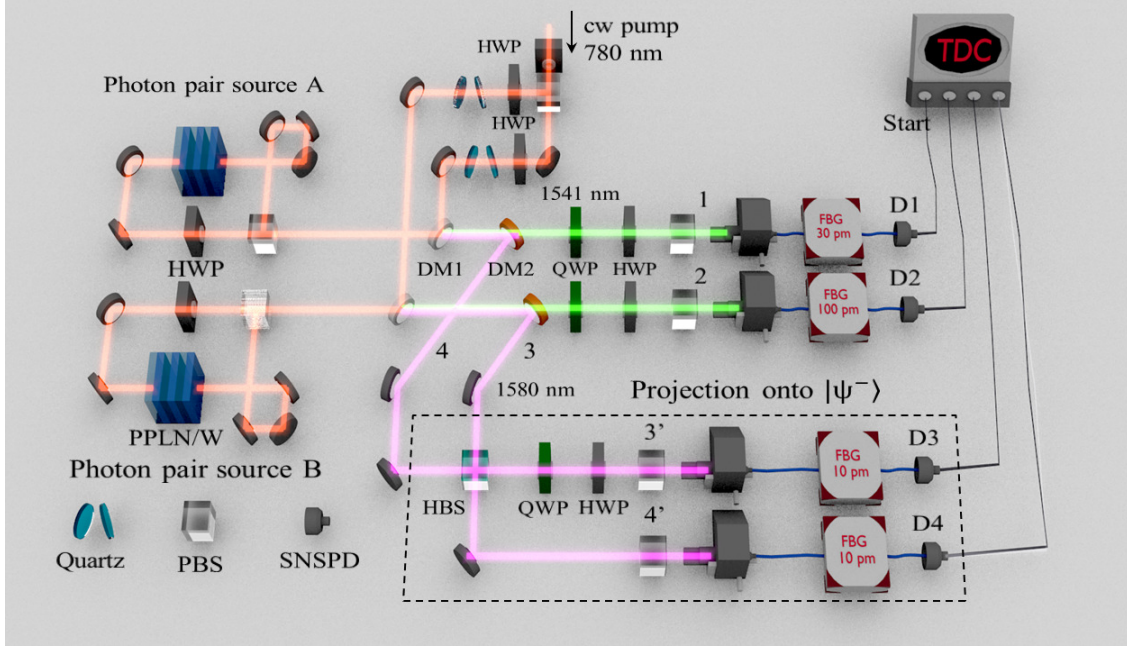


Figure S1. Experimental setup for entanglement swapping. The projective measurements on V polarization in mode 3' and H polarization in mode 4' are performed.

Thus the polarization correlation visibility V_X is expected to be

$$V_X = V_{\text{theory}} = \frac{(1 - \chi)^2}{g_s^{(2)} + \chi^2 g_n^{(2)} + (1 + \chi)^2}, \quad (\text{S6})$$

where $\chi = n/s = (1 - V_{\text{in}})/(1 + V_{\text{in}})$. This formula happens to take the same form as the visibility of $V = 1 - P_0/P_\infty$ in a Hong-Ou-Mandel experiment in Ref. [1], which arises from the correspondence $P_0 = 4P'_{\text{DA}}$ and $P_\infty = 2(P'_{\text{DA}} + P'_{\text{DD}})$. For calculating P'_{RR} and P'_{RL} , using the relations $\hat{a}_{i\text{H}}^\dagger = (\hat{a}_{i\text{R}}^\dagger + \hat{a}_{i\text{L}}^\dagger)/\sqrt{2}$ and $\hat{a}_{i\text{V}}^\dagger = (\hat{a}_{i\text{R}}^\dagger - \hat{a}_{i\text{L}}^\dagger)/(\sqrt{2}i)$, we can also show that $V_Y = V_{\text{theory}}$ in a similar manner.

Next, we derive the relation among $g_s^{(2)}$, $g_n^{(2)}$ and $g_{\text{ex}}^{(2)} := C_{134}N/(S_{13}S_{14})$. The single detection probability $P_{3(4)}$ at D3(D4) for general input to the HBS is given by

$$P_{3(4)} = \eta_{3(4)} \langle \hat{b}_{3'\text{V}(4'\text{H})}^\dagger \hat{b}_{3'\text{V}(4'\text{H})} \rangle \quad (\text{S7})$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \eta_{3(4)} (\langle \hat{a}_{3\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{D}} \rangle + \langle \hat{a}_{4\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{D}} \rangle + \langle \hat{a}_{3\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{A}} \rangle + \langle \hat{a}_{4\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{A}} \rangle). \quad (\text{S8})$$

The two-fold coincidence probability P_{34} is given by Eq. (S3). When the measured polarization in mode 1 is D, we substitute $\langle \hat{a}_{4\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{D}} \rangle = s$, $\langle \hat{a}_{3\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{D}} \rangle = \langle \hat{a}_{3\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{A}} \rangle = \langle \hat{a}_{4\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{A}} \rangle = n$, $\langle \hat{a}_{4\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{D}} \hat{a}_{4\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{D}} \rangle = s^2 g_s^{(2)}$ and $\langle \hat{a}_{3\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{D}} \hat{a}_{3\text{D}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{D}} \rangle = \langle \hat{a}_{3\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{A}} \hat{a}_{3\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{3\text{A}} \rangle = \langle \hat{a}_{4\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{A}} \hat{a}_{4\text{A}}^\dagger \hat{a}_{4\text{A}} \rangle = n^2 g_n^{(2)}$ into Eq. (S8) and Eq. (S3), leading to

$$P_{3(4)} = \frac{1}{4} \eta_{3(4)} (s + 3n) \quad (\text{S9})$$

and

$$P_{34} = \frac{1}{16} \eta_3 \eta_4 (s^2 g_s^{(2)} + 3n^2 g_n^{(2)} + 4n(s + n)). \quad (\text{S10})$$

Hence $g_{\text{ex}}^{(2)}$ is given by

$$g_{\text{ex}}^{(2)} = \frac{P_{34}}{P_3 P_4} = \frac{C_{134}N}{S_{13}S_{14}} = \frac{g_s^{(2)} + 3\chi^2 g_n^{(2)} + 4\chi(1 + \chi)}{(1 + 3\chi)^2}. \quad (\text{S11})$$

Since $\chi \ll 1$ is satisfied in our experiment, the right-hand side does not depend much on the value of $g_n^{(2)}$. We thus assume $g_n^{(2)} = 2$ here, which is consistent with the assumptions of the single mode and the polarization invariance adopted in our model. Then Eq. (S11) is represented by

$$g_{\text{ex}}^{(2)} = \frac{g_s^{(2)} + 2\chi(2 + 5\chi)}{(1 + 3\chi)^2}. \quad (\text{S12})$$

Combining Eq. (S12) with Eq. (S6), we obtain

$$V_{\text{theory}} = \frac{(1 - \chi)^2}{1 - 2\chi - 7\chi^2 + (1 + 3\chi)^2 g_{\text{ex}}^{(2)}}. \quad (\text{S13})$$

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