

# Notes on Contextual Quantum Metrology

## Quantum Fisher information

eq.5 on page 5 of [1] shows

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi\rangle_{\text{in}} &= \text{QWP}_2\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \text{HWP}(p) \text{QWP}_1(q) |H\rangle \\ &= e^{i(-2p+q+\frac{\pi}{4})} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\frac{\pi}{4}-q) \\ e^{i(4p-2q-\frac{\pi}{2})} \sin(\frac{\pi}{4}-q) \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

and by adjusting  $p, q$  s.t.  $\theta_0 = \frac{\pi}{2} - 2q, \varphi = 4p - 2q - \frac{\pi}{2}$ , the parameterized state is given as

$$|\psi\rangle_{\text{in}} = \cos\left(\frac{\theta_0}{2}\right) |H\rangle + e^{i\varphi} \sin\left(\frac{\theta_0}{2}\right) |V\rangle \quad (2)$$

When passed through the sucrose solution, gaining a phase of  $\theta = \alpha l c$ , the state becomes

$$|\psi\rangle_{\text{out}} = \cos\left(\frac{\theta + \theta_0}{2}\right) |H\rangle + e^{i\varphi} \sin\left(\frac{\theta + \theta_0}{2}\right) |V\rangle \quad (3)$$

This is a pure state, since  $\cos^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) + \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) = 1$ . For a pure state, its quantum Fisher Information can be found by the following equation [2].

$$F_\theta = 4 \left[ \langle \partial_\theta \psi | \partial_\theta \psi \rangle + (\langle \partial_\theta \psi | \psi \rangle)^2 \right] \quad (4)$$

Where,

$$|\partial_\theta \psi\rangle = -\frac{1}{2} \sin\left(\frac{\theta + \theta_0}{2}\right) |H\rangle + \frac{1}{2} e^{i\varphi} \cos\left(\frac{\theta + \theta_0}{2}\right) |V\rangle \quad (5)$$

$$\langle \partial_\theta \psi | = -\frac{1}{2} \sin\left(\frac{\theta + \theta_0}{2}\right) \langle H | + \frac{1}{2} e^{-i\varphi} \cos\left(\frac{\theta + \theta_0}{2}\right) \langle V | \quad (6)$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \partial_\theta \psi | \partial_\theta \psi \rangle = \left( \frac{1}{4} \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta + \theta_0}{2}\right) \right) + \left( \frac{1}{4} \cos^2\left(\frac{\theta + \theta_0}{2}\right) \right) = \frac{1}{4} \quad (7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\langle \partial_\theta \psi | \psi \rangle)^2 &= \frac{1}{4} \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta + \theta_0}{2}\right) \cos^2\left(\frac{\theta + \theta_0}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{4} \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta + \theta_0}{2}\right) \cos^2\left(\frac{\theta + \theta_0}{2}\right) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta + \theta_0}{2}\right) \cos^2\left(\frac{\theta + \theta_0}{2}\right) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

collecting Equation 7, Equation 8,

$$\boxed{F_Q = 4 \cdot \left( \frac{1}{4} + 0 \right) = 1} \quad (9)$$

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## Contextual Quantum Fisher Information via quasiprobability

### Necessary Ingredients from Measurement Theory

- Born's Rule For quantum state  $|\psi\rangle$  with eigenstates  $|H\rangle, |V\rangle$ :

$$P(H) = |\langle H|\psi\rangle|^2 \quad (10)$$

- Projection Measurements The experiment involves two types of measurements:
  - A: H/V measurement, with  $\Pi_H =$

## Bibliography

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