

1.

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & [a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger, a^\dagger a + b^\dagger b] \\
 &= [a^\dagger b, a^\dagger a] - [ab^\dagger, a^\dagger a] + [a^\dagger b, b^\dagger b] - [ab^\dagger, b^\dagger b] \\
 &= a^\dagger [a^\dagger, a] b - [a, a^\dagger] ab^\dagger + a^\dagger [b, b^\dagger] b - ab^\dagger [b^\dagger, b] \\
 &= -a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger + a^\dagger b + ab^\dagger \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 [B, n_a + n_b] &= [\exp(\theta(a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger)), n_a + n_b] \\
 &= 0 \\
 B^\dagger &= \exp(\theta(a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger)^\dagger) \\
 &= \exp(-\theta(a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger)) \\
 &= B^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \exp(\theta A) B \exp(-\theta A) &= \sum_{nm} (-1)^m \frac{\theta^{n+m} A^n B A^m}{n! m!} \\
 &= \sum_N \sum_{m=0}^N (-1)^m \frac{\theta^N A^{N-m} B A^m}{(N-m)! m!} \\
 &= \sum_N \frac{\theta^N}{N!} \sum_{m=0}^N (-1)^m \frac{N! A^{N-m} B A^m}{(N-m)! m!} \\
 &= \sum_N \frac{\theta^N}{N!} [A, B]_N
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $[A, B]_N$  is defined as  $[A, B]_N = [A, [A, B]_{N-1}]$  and  $[A, B]_0 = B$

$$\begin{aligned}
 [(a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger), a]_N &= \begin{cases} (-1)^{N/2} a & (2 \mid N) \\ (-1)^{(N+1)/2} b & (2 \nmid N) \end{cases} \\
 [(a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger), b]_N &= \begin{cases} (-1)^{N/2} b & (2 \mid N) \\ (-1)^{(N-1)/2} a & (2 \nmid N) \end{cases} \\
 BaB^{-1} &= \sum_N \frac{\theta^N}{N!} [(a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger), a]_N \\
 &= \sum_n \frac{\theta^{2n}}{(2n)!} [(a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger), a]_{2n} + \sum_n \frac{\theta^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} [(a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger), a]_{2n+1} \\
 &= \sum_n \frac{\theta^{2n}}{(2n)!} (-1)^n a + \sum_n \frac{\theta^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} (-1)^{n+1} b \\
 &= \cos \theta a - \sin \theta b \\
 BbB^{-1} &= \sum_N \frac{\theta^N}{N!} [(a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger), b]_N \\
 &= \sum_n \frac{\theta^{2n}}{(2n)!} [(a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger), b]_{2n} + \sum_n \frac{\theta^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} [(a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger), b]_{2n+1} \\
 &= \sum_n \frac{\theta^{2n}}{(2n)!} (-1)^n b + \sum_n \frac{\theta^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} (-1)^{n+1} a \\
 &= \cos \theta b + \sin \theta a \\
 B|0, \alpha\rangle &= B e^{-|\alpha|^2/2} e^{\alpha a^\dagger} |0, 0\rangle \\
 &= e^{-|\alpha|^2/2} B e^{\alpha a^\dagger} B^{-1} B|0, 0\rangle \\
 &= e^{-|\alpha|^2/2} e^{\alpha (\cos \theta a^\dagger - \sin \theta b^\dagger)} |0, 0\rangle \\
 &= e^{-|\alpha|^2/2} e^{\alpha \cos \theta a^\dagger} e^{-\alpha \sin \theta b^\dagger} |0, 0\rangle \\
 &= |-\alpha \sin \theta, \alpha \cos \theta\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
 s_x &= a^\dagger b + ab^\dagger \\
 s_y &= -i(a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger) \\
 B &= e^{i\theta s_y}
 \end{aligned}$$

which is a rotation around  $y$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(n_a + n_b)^2 \\
 &= s_z^2 + 4a^\dagger ab^\dagger b \\
 &= s_z^2 + 4s^+ s^- \\
 &= s_x^2 + s_y^2 + s_z^2 \\
 &= S^2
 \end{aligned}$$

which is the total spin

$$\begin{aligned}
 [s_x, s_y] &= [a^\dagger b + ab^\dagger, -i(a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger)] \\
 &= -i[a^\dagger b + ab^\dagger, a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger] \\
 &= 2i[a^\dagger b, ab^\dagger] \\
 &= 2ia^\dagger a [b, b^\dagger] + 2i[a^\dagger, a] b^\dagger b \\
 &= 2ia^\dagger a - 2ib^\dagger b \\
 &= 2is_z \\
 [s_y, s_z] &= [-i(a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger), a^\dagger a - b^\dagger b] \\
 &= -ia^\dagger [a^\dagger, a] b + ia^\dagger [b, b^\dagger] b + i[a, a^\dagger] ab^\dagger - iab^\dagger [b^\dagger, b] \\
 &= 2is_x \\
 [s_z, s_x] &= [a^\dagger a - b^\dagger b, a^\dagger b + ab^\dagger] \\
 &= a^\dagger [a, a^\dagger] b + [a^\dagger, a] ab^\dagger - a^\dagger [b^\dagger, b] b - ab^\dagger [b, b^\dagger] \\
 &= 2a^\dagger b - 2ab^\dagger \\
 &= 2is_y
 \end{aligned}$$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned}
 B|0, n\rangle &= B \frac{a^{\dagger n}}{n!} |0, 0\rangle \\
 &= \frac{(a^\dagger - b^\dagger)^n}{2^{n/2} n!} |0, 0\rangle \\
 &= \sum_i \frac{a^{\dagger i} b^{\dagger n-i}}{2^{n/2} i! (n-i)!} |0, 0\rangle \\
 &= \sum_i \frac{|n-i, i\rangle}{\sqrt{2^n i! (n-i)!}}
 \end{aligned}$$

The state(s) with the largest amplitude is  $|n/2, n/2\rangle$  (when  $n$  is even) or  $|(n+1)/2, (n-1)/2\rangle$  and  $|(n-1)/2, (n+1)/2\rangle$  when  $n$  is odd

The variance of the distribution is  $\frac{n}{4}$  so the relative width is getting narrower for larger  $n$  although the absolute width is getting wider.

## 2.

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\Delta n')^2 &= \langle n'^2 \rangle - \langle n' \rangle^2 \\
 &= |t|^4 (\Delta n)^2 \\
 &= |t|^4 |\alpha|^2 \\
 \langle n' \rangle &= |t|^2 |\alpha|^2 \\
 &> |t|^4 |\alpha|^2 \quad (\text{when } 0 < |t| < 1 \text{ and } \alpha \neq 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

As shown in problem one.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \rho' &= \text{Tr}_b(B|0, \alpha\rangle\langle 0, \alpha|B^\dagger) \\
 &= \text{Tr}_b(|r\alpha, t\alpha\rangle\langle r\alpha, t\alpha|) \\
 &= |t\alpha\rangle\langle t\alpha|
 \end{aligned}$$

## 3.

(a)

After the first beam splitter

$$|\psi_1\rangle = \frac{|0, 1\rangle + |1, 0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

After the phase shift

$$|\psi_2\rangle = \frac{e^{-i\phi/2}|0, 1\rangle + e^{i\phi/2}|1, 0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

After the second beam splitter

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\psi_3\rangle &= \frac{e^{-i\phi/2}}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{|0, 1\rangle - |1, 0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + \frac{e^{i\phi/2}}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{|0, 1\rangle + |1, 0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \\
 &= \frac{e^{-i\phi/2}}{2} (|0, 1\rangle - |1, 0\rangle) + \frac{e^{i\phi/2}}{2} (|0, 1\rangle + |1, 0\rangle) \\
 &= \cos \frac{\phi}{2} |0, 1\rangle + i \sin \frac{\phi}{2} |1, 0\rangle \\
 P_b &= \cos^2 \frac{\phi}{2} \\
 V &= \frac{\max(P_b) - \min(P_b)}{\max(P_b) + \min(P_b)} \\
 &= \frac{1 - 0}{1 + 0} \\
 &= 1
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\psi_0\rangle &= |0, 1, 0\rangle \\
 |\psi_1\rangle &= \frac{|0, 0, 1\rangle + |0, 1, 0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \\
 |\psi_2\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( e^{i\phi/2} |0, 0, 1\rangle + e^{-i\phi/2} (\cos \theta |0, 1, 0\rangle + \sin \theta |1, 0, 0\rangle) \right) \\
 |\psi_3\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{e^{i\phi/2} |0, 0, 1\rangle + |0, 1, 0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} + \cos \theta e^{-i\phi/2} \frac{|0, 1, 0\rangle - |0, 0, 1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} + \sin \theta e^{-i\phi/2} |1, 0, 0\rangle \right) \\
 &= \frac{(e^{i\phi/2} - \cos \theta e^{-i\phi/2}) |0, 0, 1\rangle - (e^{i\phi/2} + \cos \theta e^{-i\phi/2}) |0, 1, 0\rangle}{2} + \frac{\sin \theta e^{-i\phi/2}}{\sqrt{2}} |1, 0, 0\rangle \\
 P_b &= \left| \frac{e^{i\phi/2} + \cos \theta e^{-i\phi/2}}{2} \right|^2 \\
 &= \left( \frac{1 + \cos \theta}{2} \cos \frac{\phi}{2} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{2} \sin \frac{\phi}{2} \right)^2 \\
 &= \frac{1 + \cos^2 \theta}{4} + \frac{\cos \theta}{2} \cos \phi \\
 V &= \frac{2 \cos \theta}{1 + \cos^2 \theta}
 \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\psi_0\rangle &= |0, 0, 1, 0\rangle \\
 |\psi_1\rangle &= \frac{|0, 1, 0, 0\rangle + |0, 0, 1, 0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \\
 |\psi_2\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( e^{i\phi/2} |0, 1, 0, 0\rangle + e^{-i\phi/2} |0, 0, 1, 0\rangle \right) \\
 |\psi_3\rangle &= \frac{e^{i\phi/2}}{\sqrt{2}} (\cos \theta |0, 1, 0, 0\rangle + \sin \theta |1, 0, 0, 0\rangle) + \frac{e^{-i\phi/2}}{\sqrt{2}} (\cos \theta' |0, 0, 1, 0\rangle + \sin \theta' |0, 0, 0, 1\rangle) \\
 &= \frac{e^{i\phi/2} \sin \theta}{\sqrt{2}} |1, 0, 0, 0\rangle + \frac{e^{-i\phi/2} \sin \theta'}{\sqrt{2}} |0, 0, 0, 1\rangle + \frac{e^{i\phi/2} \cos \theta}{\sqrt{2}} |0, 1, 0, 0\rangle + \frac{e^{-i\phi/2} \cos \theta'}{\sqrt{2}} |0, 0, 1, 0\rangle \\
 |\psi_4\rangle &= \frac{e^{i\phi/2} \sin \theta}{\sqrt{2}} |1, 0, 0, 0\rangle + \frac{e^{-i\phi/2} \sin \theta'}{\sqrt{2}} |0, 0, 0, 1\rangle \\
 &\quad + \frac{e^{i\phi/2} \cos \theta}{2} (|0, 0, 1, 0\rangle + |0, 1, 0, 0\rangle) + \frac{e^{-i\phi/2} \cos \theta'}{2} (|0, 0, 1, 0\rangle - |0, 1, 0, 0\rangle) \\
 &= \frac{e^{i\phi/2} \sin \theta}{\sqrt{2}} |1, 0, 0, 0\rangle + \frac{e^{-i\phi/2} \sin \theta'}{\sqrt{2}} |0, 0, 0, 1\rangle \\
 &\quad + \frac{e^{i\phi/2} \cos \theta + e^{-i\phi/2} \cos \theta'}{2} |0, 0, 1, 0\rangle + \frac{e^{i\phi/2} \cos \theta - e^{-i\phi/2} \cos \theta'}{2} |0, 1, 0, 0\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

Maximum and minimum probabilities

$$\begin{aligned}\max P_b &= \frac{1}{4}(\cos \theta + \cos \theta')^2 \\ \min P_b &= \frac{1}{4}(\cos \theta - \cos \theta')^2 \\ V &= \frac{2 \cos \theta \cos \theta'}{\cos^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta'}\end{aligned}$$

Changing to condition probability does not change the visibility.

(d)

$$\begin{aligned}|\psi_0\rangle &= |0, 0, \alpha, 0\rangle \\ |\psi_1\rangle &= |0, \frac{\alpha}{2}, \frac{\alpha}{2}, 0\rangle \\ |\psi_2\rangle &= |0, e^{i\phi/2} \frac{\alpha}{2}, e^{-i\phi/2} \frac{\alpha}{2}, 0\rangle \\ |\psi_3\rangle &= |e^{i\phi/2} \sin \theta \frac{\alpha}{2}, e^{i\phi/2} \cos \theta \frac{\alpha}{2}, e^{-i\phi/2} \cos \theta' \frac{\alpha}{2}, e^{-i\phi/2} \sin \theta' \frac{\alpha}{2}\rangle \\ |\psi_4\rangle &= |e^{i\phi/2} \sin \theta \frac{\alpha}{2}, e^{i\phi/2} \cos \theta \frac{\alpha}{2} - e^{-i\phi/2} \cos \theta' \frac{\alpha}{2}, e^{i\phi/2} \cos \theta \frac{\alpha}{2} + e^{-i\phi/2} \cos \theta' \frac{\alpha}{2}, e^{-i\phi/2} \sin \theta' \frac{\alpha}{2}\rangle\end{aligned}$$

Maximum and minimum intensity

$$\begin{aligned}\max P_b &= \frac{\alpha^2}{4}(\cos \theta + \cos \theta')^2 \\ \min P_b &= \frac{\alpha^2}{4}(\cos \theta - \cos \theta')^2 \\ V &= \frac{2 \cos \theta \cos \theta'}{\cos^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta'}\end{aligned}$$

4.

(a)

From the definition of entangled state, the state is a product state if Schmidt number is 1. If a product state has a Schmidt number greater than 1

$$\begin{aligned}|\psi_A\rangle|\psi_B\rangle &= \sum_k \lambda_k |k_A\rangle |k_B\rangle \\ |\psi_A\rangle &= \sum_k \lambda_k \langle \psi_B | k_B \rangle |k_A\rangle \\ |\psi_B\rangle &= \sum_k \lambda_k \langle \psi_A | k_A \rangle |k_B\rangle \\ |\psi_A\rangle|\psi_B\rangle &= \sum_{k_1, k_2} \lambda_{k_1} \langle \psi_B | k_{1B} \rangle |k_{1A}\rangle \lambda_{k_2} \langle \psi_A | k_{2A} \rangle |k_{2B}\rangle \\ &\neq \sum_k \lambda_k |k_A\rangle |k_B\rangle\end{aligned}$$

(b)

With the same local unitary transformation on the right hand side, it is still a valid expansion of the new state and therefore the Schmidt number does not change.

(c)

State	Schmidt number
$\phi_1$	3
$\phi_2$	1
$\phi_3$	2
$\phi_4$	2

(d)

Schmidt number is 2.

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\phi_1\rangle &= B|\psi\rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{n!(n-1)!2^n}} \left( (a^\dagger + b^\dagger)^n (a^\dagger - b^\dagger)^{n-1} + (a^\dagger + b^\dagger)^{n-1} (a^\dagger - b^\dagger)^n \right) |0,0\rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{n!(n-1)!2^{n-1}}} (a^\dagger + b^\dagger)^{n-1} a^\dagger (a^\dagger - b^\dagger)^{n-1} |0,0\rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{n!(n-1)!2^{n-1}}} (a^{\dagger 2} - b^{\dagger 2})^{n-1} a^\dagger |0,0\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the Schmidt number is  $n$ . This is a better measure since these are the states that interfere later.

The Schmidt number for a coherent state after a beam splitter is 1 since it is still a product state.

(e)

