1.

(a)

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

Therefore,

$$[B, n_a + n_b] = [\exp(\theta(a^{\dagger}b - ab^{\dagger})), n_a + n_b]$$

$$= 0$$

$$B^{\dagger} = \exp(\theta(a^{\dagger}b - ab^{\dagger})^{\dagger})$$

$$= \exp(-\theta(a^{\dagger}b - ab^{\dagger}))$$

$$= B^{-1}$$

(b)

$$\exp(\theta A)B \exp(-\theta A) = \sum_{nm} (-1)^m \frac{\theta^{n+m} A^n B A^m}{n!m!}$$

$$= \sum_{N} \sum_{m=0}^{N} (-1)^m \frac{\theta^N A^{N-m} B A^m}{(N-m)!m!}$$

$$= \sum_{N} \frac{\theta^N}{N!} \sum_{m=0}^{N} (-1)^m \frac{N! A^{N-m} B A^m}{(N-m)!m!}$$

$$= \sum_{N} \frac{\theta^N}{N!} [A, B]_N$$

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

$$\begin{split} \left[ \left( a^{\dagger}b - ab^{\dagger} \right), a \right]_{N} &= \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (-1)^{N/2}a & (2 \mid N) \\ (-1)^{(N+1)/2}b & (2 \mid N) \end{array} \right. \\ \left[ \left( a^{\dagger}b - ab^{\dagger} \right), b \right]_{N} &= \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (-1)^{N/2}b & (2 \mid N) \\ (-1)^{(N-1)/2}a & (2 \mid N) \end{array} \right. \\ BaB^{-1} &= \sum_{N} \frac{\theta^{N}}{N!} \left[ \left( a^{\dagger}b - ab^{\dagger} \right), a \right]_{N} \\ &= \sum_{n} \frac{\theta^{2n}}{(2n)!} \left[ \left( a^{\dagger}b - ab^{\dagger} \right), a \right]_{2n} + \sum_{n} \frac{\theta^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \left[ \left( a^{\dagger}b - ab^{\dagger} \right), a \right]_{2n+1} \\ &= \sum_{n} \frac{\theta^{2n}}{(2n)!} (-1)^{n} a + \sum_{n} \frac{\theta^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} (-1)^{n+1} b \\ &= \cos \theta a - \sin \theta b \\ BbB^{-1} &= \sum_{N} \frac{\theta^{N}}{N!} \left[ \left( a^{\dagger}b - ab^{\dagger} \right), b \right]_{N} \\ &= \sum_{n} \frac{\theta^{2n}}{(2n)!} \left[ \left( a^{\dagger}b - ab^{\dagger} \right), b \right]_{2n} + \sum_{n} \frac{\theta^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \left[ \left( a^{\dagger}b - ab^{\dagger} \right), b \right]_{2n+1} \\ &= \sum_{n} \frac{\theta^{2n}}{(2n)!} (-1)^{n} b + \sum_{n} \frac{\theta^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} (-1)^{n} a \\ &= \cos \theta b + \sin \theta a \\ B|0, \alpha\rangle &= Be^{-|\alpha|^{2}/2} e^{\alpha a^{\dagger}} |0, 0\rangle \\ &= e^{-|\alpha|^{2}/2} Be^{\alpha a^{\dagger}} B^{-1} B|0, 0\rangle \\ &= e^{-|\alpha|^{2}/2} e^{\alpha} (\cos \theta a^{\dagger} - \sin \theta b^{\dagger}) |0, 0\rangle \\ &= e^{-|\alpha|^{2}/2} e^{\alpha} \cos \theta a^{\dagger} e^{-\alpha} \sin \theta b^{\dagger} |0, 0\rangle \\ &= e^{-|\alpha|^{2}/2} e^{\alpha} \cos \theta a^{\dagger} e^{-\alpha} \sin \theta b^{\dagger} |0, 0\rangle \\ &= |-\alpha \sin \theta, \alpha \cos \theta \rangle \end{split}$$

(c)

$$s_x = a^{\dagger}b + ab^{\dagger}$$

$$s_y = -i(a^{\dagger}b - ab^{\dagger})$$

$$B = e^{i\theta s_y}$$

which is a rotation around y

$$(n_a + n_b)^2$$

$$= s_z^2 + 4a^{\dagger}ab^{\dagger}b$$

$$= s_z^2 + 4s^+s^-$$

$$= s_x^2 + s_y^2 + s_z^2$$

$$= S^2$$

which is the total spin

$$\begin{split} [s_x,s_y] &= \left[a^\dagger b + ab^\dagger, -\mathrm{i} \left(a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger\right)\right] \\ &= -\mathrm{i} \left[a^\dagger b + ab^\dagger, a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger\right] \\ &= 2\mathrm{i} \left[a^\dagger b, ab^\dagger\right] \\ &= 2\mathrm{i} a^\dagger a \left[b, b^\dagger\right] + 2\mathrm{i} \left[a^\dagger, a\right] b^\dagger b \\ &= 2\mathrm{i} a^\dagger a - 2\mathrm{i} b^\dagger b \\ &= 2\mathrm{i} s_z \\ [s_y,s_z] &= \left[-\mathrm{i} \left(a^\dagger b - ab^\dagger\right), a^\dagger a - b^\dagger b\right] \\ &= -\mathrm{i} a^\dagger \left[a^\dagger, a\right] b + \mathrm{i} a^\dagger \left[b, b^\dagger\right] b + \mathrm{i} \left[a, a^\dagger\right] a b^\dagger - \mathrm{i} a b^\dagger \left[b^\dagger, b\right] \\ &= 2\mathrm{i} s_x \\ [s_z,s_x] &= \left[a^\dagger a - b^\dagger b, a^\dagger b + a b^\dagger\right] \\ &= a^\dagger \left[a, a^\dagger\right] b + \left[a^\dagger, a\right] a b^\dagger - a^\dagger \left[b^\dagger, b\right] b - a b^\dagger \left[b, b^\dagger\right] \\ &= 2a^\dagger b - 2a b^\dagger \\ &= 2\mathrm{i} s_y \end{split}$$

(d)

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

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)

$$(\Delta n')^{2} = \langle n'^{2} \rangle - \langle n' \rangle^{2}$$

$$= |t|^{4} (\Delta n)^{2}$$

$$= |t|^{4} |\alpha|^{2}$$

$$\langle n' \rangle = |t|^{2} |\alpha|^{2}$$

$$> |t|^{4} |\alpha|^{2} \quad \text{(when } 0 < |t| < 1 \text{ and } \alpha \neq 0\text{)}$$

(b)

As shown in problem one.

$$\rho' = \operatorname{Tr}_b(B|0,\alpha)\langle 0,\alpha|B^{\dagger})$$
$$= \operatorname{Tr}_b(|r\alpha,t\alpha\rangle\langle r\alpha,t\alpha|)$$
$$= |t\alpha\rangle\langle t\alpha|$$

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

$$\begin{split} |\psi_{3}\rangle &= \frac{\mathrm{e}^{-\mathrm{i}\phi/2}}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{|0,1\rangle - |1,0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + \frac{\mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}\phi/2}}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{|0,1\rangle + |1,0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \\ &= \frac{\mathrm{e}^{-\mathrm{i}\phi/2}}{2} (|0,1\rangle - |1,0\rangle) + \frac{\mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}\phi/2}}{2} (|0,1\rangle + |1,0\rangle) \\ &= \cos\frac{\phi}{2} |0,1\rangle + \mathrm{i}\sin\frac{\phi}{2} |1,0\rangle \\ P_{b} &= \cos^{2}\frac{\phi}{2} \\ V &= \frac{\max{(P_{b}) - \min{(P_{b})}}}{\max{(P_{b}) + \min{(P_{b})}}} \\ &= \frac{1 - 0}{1 + 0} \\ &= 1 \end{split}$$

(b)

$$\begin{split} |\psi_{0}\rangle &= |0,1,0\rangle \\ |\psi_{1}\rangle &= \frac{|0,0,1\rangle + |0,1,0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \\ |\psi_{2}\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Big( \mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}\phi/2} |0,0,1\rangle + \mathrm{e}^{-\mathrm{i}\phi/2} (\cos\theta |0,1,0\rangle + \sin\theta |1,0,0\rangle) \Big) \\ |\psi_{3}\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Big( \mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}\phi/2} \frac{|0,0,1\rangle + |0,1,0\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} + \cos\theta \mathrm{e}^{-\mathrm{i}\phi/2} \frac{|0,1,0\rangle - |0,0,1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} + \sin\theta \mathrm{e}^{-\mathrm{i}\phi/2} |1,0,0\rangle \Big) \\ &= \frac{\left( \mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}\phi/2} - \cos\theta \mathrm{e}^{-\mathrm{i}\phi/2} \right) |0,0,1\rangle - \left( \mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}\phi/2} + \cos\theta \mathrm{e}^{-\mathrm{i}\phi/2} \right) |0,1,0\rangle}{2} + \frac{\sin\theta \mathrm{e}^{-\mathrm{i}\phi/2}}{\sqrt{2}} |1,0,0\rangle \\ P_{b} &= \left| \frac{\mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}\phi/2} + \cos\theta \mathrm{e}^{-\mathrm{i}\phi/2}}{2} \right|^{2} \\ &= \left( \frac{1 + \cos\theta}{2} \cos\frac{\phi}{2} \right)^{2} + \left( \frac{1 - \cos\theta}{2} \sin\frac{\phi}{2} \right)^{2} \\ &= \frac{1 + \cos^{2}\theta}{4} + \frac{\cos\theta}{2} \cos\phi \\ V &= \frac{2\cos\theta}{1 + \cos^{2}\theta} \end{split}$$

(c)

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

Maximum and minimum probabilities

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

Changing to condition probability does not change the visibility.

(d)

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

Maximum and minimum intensity

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

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

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

(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.

$$|\phi_{1}\rangle = B|\psi\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{n!(n-1)!}2^{n}} \left( \left( a^{\dagger} + b^{\dagger} \right)^{n} \left( a^{\dagger} - b^{\dagger} \right)^{n-1} + \left( a^{\dagger} + b^{\dagger} \right)^{n-1} \left( a^{\dagger} - b^{\dagger} \right)^{n} \right) |0,0\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{n!(n-1)!}2^{n-1}} \left( a^{\dagger} + b^{\dagger} \right)^{n-1} a^{\dagger} \left( a^{\dagger} - b^{\dagger} \right)^{n-1} |0,0\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{n!(n-1)!}2^{n-1}} \left( a^{\dagger^{2}} - b^{\dagger^{2}} \right)^{n-1} a^{\dagger} |0,0\rangle$$

Therefore the Schmidt number is n-1. 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)

