

Quantum protocols at presence of nonabelian superselection rules in the framework of algebraic model

A. S. Situdikov^{*,†,‡} and A. S. Nikitin^{*}

^{*}Kazan State Power Engineering University, Kazan, Russia

[†]Kazan (Volga region) Federal University, Kazan, Russia

[‡]airat_vm@rambler.ru

Received 28 May 2021

Accepted 11 October 2021

Published 29 December 2021

In this paper, we study the influence of nonabelian superselection rules on the transfer of quantum information with the help of qubits on the base of an algebraic model and formulate quantum protocols. We pay the main attention to the superselection structure of the algebra of observables O_G defined by the Cuntz algebra O_d (a field algebra) that contains O_G as a pointwise fixed subalgebra with respect to the action of the gauge group G . We prove that it is possible to code information only with the help of states such that projectors on them belong to the algebra of observables. These projectors commute with the elements of the representation of the group G , and therefore allow the recipient to restore the obtained information.

Keywords: Quantum information; Cuntz algebra; superselection rules.

1. Introduction

In recent time, due to the progress of experimental technology, the practical implementation of quantum communication, i.e. the transfer of information encoded with the help of quantum states of elementary particles, moves to a new level of development.^{1–3}

As appeared, the superselection phenomenon plays an important role in studying the quantum information transfer.^{4,5} In nature, there can take place only coherent superpositions of states that correspond to one and the same eigenvalue of the charge superselection operator, while superselection rules⁶ prohibit the occurrence of superposition states that correspond to its distinct values. Any superpositions of pure states in different sectors lead to mixed states described by the density matrix.

In Ref. 7, we propose an algebraic model for studying few-nucleon systems with nonabelian superselection rules. The goal of this paper consists in the application of

[‡]Corresponding author.

this model for describing the quantum information transfer with the help of nucleons at the presence of nonabelian isospin superselection rules.

2. Preliminary Information

2.1. Superselection sectors

2.1.1. Preliminary concepts of superselection sectors

The existence of “superselection rules” was first mentioned in Ref. 6. Ibid, Wick *et al.* give its mathematical statement, which consists in the existence of orthogonal subspaces \mathcal{H}_i of the full space of states \mathcal{H} : $\mathcal{H} = \bigoplus \mathcal{H}_i$. It is assumed that probabilities of transitions between different orthogonal subspaces under the action of operators of observables equal zero, while superpositions of vectors from different such subspaces form mixed states. Correspondingly, (coherent) superpositions of vectors in given \mathcal{H}_i correspond to pure states; for this reason, subspaces \mathcal{H}_i are called coherent superselection sectors.

The necessary condition for the representability of \mathcal{H} as the direct sum of coherent subspaces is the existence of the so-called superselection operator \mathfrak{S} that commutes with operators of all observables without exception (including the Hamiltonian of the system). The commutativity with the Hamiltonian also implies that the superselection operator defines some absolutely conserved quantity; it is called a superselection charge. The superselection operator \mathfrak{S} defines a certain superselection rule, while coherent superselection sectors represent its proper subspaces indexed by its eigenvalues. The superselection operator is representable as the linear combination

$$\mathfrak{S} = \sum \mu_i \Pi_i, \quad (1)$$

where Π_i are projectors on coherent subspaces \mathcal{H}_i , while μ_i are certain real values.⁸ Note also that \mathfrak{S} belongs to the center of the algebra of observables $Z(\mathcal{A})$. If the algebra of observables of a physical system is defined with the help of an abstract C^* -algebra \mathcal{A} ,⁹ then, owing to the operator \mathfrak{S} , representations of this algebra $\pi(\mathcal{A})$ in subspaces \mathcal{H}_i are factorial of type I and pairwise disjoint.¹⁰ In other words, representations of $\pi(\mathcal{A})$ in subspaces \mathcal{H}_i are irreducible and unitarily equivalent. Therefore, superselection rules prohibit any transfer from some superselection sector to some other one, i.e. $\langle \psi_i | \pi(A) | \psi_j \rangle = 0$, where $\psi_i \in \mathcal{H}_i$, $\psi_j \in \mathcal{H}_j$, $\pi(A) \in \pi(\mathcal{A})$, $A \in \mathcal{A}$. Therefore, operators of observables on the whole space \mathcal{H} act reducibly.

2.1.2. The Doplicher–Roberts duality

Though superselection rules began to be taken into account in Physics of Particles immediately after the publication of Ref. 6 that was mentioned above, the algebraic statement of the quantum field theory^{11–15} has given them a special status. Therefore, these rules have become one of the main tools of any theory of elementary particles. But nevertheless, the role of superselection rules in establishing the connection between the field algebra and the algebra of local observables was still not fully understood. A decisive role here was played by Refs. 13–15 whose authors have stated

the Doplicher–Roberts duality theorem. From the mathematical point of view, this duality is a generalization of the Tannaka–Krein duality principle for compact nonabelian groups G .¹⁶ The essence of the generalization consists in the fact that any abstract symmetric tensor category allows a (functorial) embedding in the category of Hilbert spaces. Here the symmetry plays a decisive role because if a category possesses the symmetry, then the embedding functor exists automatically; this fact was proved by Doplicher and Roberts.¹⁴

From the physical point of view, the duality is connected with the existence of the gauge groups that reflects the properties of symmetry of the system under transformations of internal variables. If we restrict ourselves to describing a system on the base of a field algebra,¹⁵ then the group G of gauge transforms generates the group of automorphisms of the field algebra $\text{aut}(\mathfrak{F})$ and, consequently, we get the C^* -dynamic system $(\mathfrak{F}, G, \alpha)$. Here, \mathfrak{F} is a field C^* -algebra, $\alpha : g \rightarrow \alpha_g \in \text{aut}(\mathfrak{F})$, $g \in G$. Then we can define the algebra of observables \mathcal{A} as the invariant part of the field algebra with respect to the action of the gauge group.

If instead of the group G we proceed from the dual object, i.e. the category of its representations, then we come to the notion of the superselection structure (the totality of superselection sectors) of the considered physical system and to dynamical superselection rules connected with internal symmetries. In the case of the abelian group $G \cong U(1)$, its representation group (the dual group, i.e. the group of characters $\chi(G)$) is isomorphic to the additive group \mathbb{Z} and corresponds to the superselection structure of additive abelian charges (electric, lepton and baryonic charges). In the abelian case, the duality is also called the Pontryagin duality.

The dual object of the nonabelian compact group G is the tensor symmetric category of representations $\text{rep}(G)$. Moreover, in Ref. 15, Doplicher and Roberts prove the isomorphism of this category with the category of representations of the algebra of observables $\text{rep}(\mathcal{A})$ (provided that representations satisfy the so-called Doplicher–Haag–Roberts selection criterion, which among all possible observables selects only those that are of physical interest) that describes the superselection structure of a quantum physical system. Any representation that satisfies this selection criterion is unitarily equivalent to the representation of \mathcal{A} in the vacuum Hilbert space \mathcal{H}_0 and takes the form $\pi = \pi_0 \circ \rho$, where ρ is a localized endomorphism of the algebra \mathcal{A} .^{8,9} According to Ref. 14 such endomorphisms of the algebra of observables also form the tensor C^* -category $\text{end}(\mathcal{A})$ which is isomorphic to categories $\text{rep}(\mathcal{A})$ and $\text{rep}(G)$. Therefore, in studying nonabelian superselection rules, most important is studying endomorphisms of the algebra of observables, rather than its automorphisms.

2.1.3. The Cuntz algebra

Note also that the base of this duality is the structure of a certain C^* -algebra \mathcal{O}_ρ , which is called the Doplicher–Roberts algebra (functorially) associated with the object ρ of the tensor symmetric C^* -category.¹⁴

In this paper, we restrict ourselves to considering the case of the strict symmetric tensor C^* -category of finite-dimensional continuous unitary representations of the compact Lie group ($G = SU(2)$) generated by tensor degrees of the fundamental representation $\pi_{1/2}$ (here the subscript $1/2$ indicates the value of the isotopic spin which we regard as a qubit). In this case, the base of the duality is the Cuntz C^* -algebra \mathcal{O}_d^{17} generated by isometric operators ψ_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, d$) such that

$$\psi_i^* \psi_j = \delta_{ij} I \quad (2)$$

and

$$\sum_i^d \psi_i \psi_i^* = I, \quad (3)$$

where I is the unit of the Cuntz algebra.

The linear span of these isometries forms the so-called canonical Hilbert space. The scalar product in such a complex Hilbert space \mathcal{H} of dimension $\dim \mathcal{H} \geq 2$ with an orthonormal basis $\{\psi_i\}_{i=1,2,\dots,d}$ obeys the formula

$$\psi^* \psi' = \langle \psi, \psi' \rangle I, \quad \psi, \psi' \in \mathcal{H}. \quad (4)$$

In the Cuntz algebra, we can consider Hilbert subspaces of the indicated type, where products of their intertwining operators are scalar operators.^{13,17} One can identify the tensor product of such subspaces with the elementwise product of these subspaces in the Cuntz algebra. Therefore, the category of finite-dimensional Hilbert spaces is equivalent to the category of finite-dimensional Hilbert subspaces of the Cuntz algebra.

2.2. The quantum bit and quantum information

The classical information bit corresponds to one digit in the binary code that takes on only one of mutually exclusive values (“0” or “1”, “No” or “Yes”, etc.) As for the quantum information, its unit is a quantum bit, or a qubit, for short; it represents a two-level quantum system and is described by a two-dimensional Hilbert state space. In other words, a qubit represents the superposition of two orthogonal states (the superposition of states of a two-level system)

$$|\psi\rangle = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

In quantum mechanics, the measured qubit state takes on this or that possible value with the corresponding probability. Therefore, a two-level system can carry one bit of classical information.

See, for example, Refs. 18 and 19 for more detail. Indeed, despite the infinite number of possible qubit states, only two are available for recognition (in the case of choosing orthogonal states as encoded). Therefore, a two-level system can carry no more than one bit of classical information and N qubits cannot be used to transfer

more than N bits of information. This result follows from the boundary estimate of Holevo.²⁰

The Hilbert space of states of two qubits is four-dimensional, its basis is the tensor product of bases of separate qubits.

In Sec. 4, we consider the quantum information transfer subject to nonabelian dynamical superselection rules (associated with intrinsic symmetries) and see that the latter impose certain constraints. But we also note, however, that in quantum information theory, the kinematical superselection rules associated with space-time symmetries also impose restrictions. For example, for the case of pure fermionic systems with different numbers of quasiparticles, the restrictions imposed by the kinematical superselection rules on parity were studied in the work of Amosov and Filippov.²¹

3. The Algebraic Model

3.1. *Background*

Since one usually studies the behavior of a certain physical quantum system on the base of measurement procedures, it makes sense to describe this quantum system on the base of the algebra of physical observables \mathcal{A} . Then the analysis of measurement results is reduced to the summation and multiplication of operators that correspond to the observed values. This naturally leads to internal associative composition rules with semigroup properties. Moreover, according to results obtained in Refs. 13 and 15, the algebra of such observables can be consistently embedded in another algebra, namely, the extended one obtained by means of the cross product $\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{T}$, where \mathcal{T} is a complete subcategory $\mathcal{T} \subset \text{end}(\mathcal{A})$.^a The mentioned cross product corresponds to the field algebra \mathfrak{F} . Its construction actually justifies the possibility of obtaining the dynamical system $(\mathfrak{F}, G, \alpha)$ from a given abstract category of endomorphisms in the sense that this abstract category is the dual object of the compact group G instead of the concrete category $\text{rep}(G)$. Without going into detail (see, if necessary, Refs. 13 and 15), note that the group of automorphisms in the C^* -algebra $\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{T}$ constructed in the mentioned way is the group G , while $\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{T}$ contains the C^* -algebra \mathcal{A} as its pointwise fixed subalgebra with respect to the action of this group.

3.2. *Modeling by using isometries*

If we restrict ourselves to studying the subcategory $\mathcal{T}_\rho \subset \mathcal{T}$ generated by tensor degrees of one endomorphism ρ , provided that morphisms of this subcategory generate the C^* -algebra \mathcal{A} , then (see Ref. 13) $\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{T}_\rho$ represents nothing else but the Cuntz algebra O_d , where d is the dimension of the endomorphism ρ generated by the

^aA certain part of the material in this section is connected with notions and denotations introduced in Sec. 2.1, therefore we use them without references.

fundamental multiplet (isometries) ψ_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, d$) satisfying correlations (2) and (3). Therefore, in this case, instead of intertwining operators (morphisms in the category of endomorphisms), we can consider maps between Hilbert spaces formed by these isometries and describe sectors with the help of decompositions of degrees of the canonical Hilbert space (see below), where there act irreducible representations of the group $SU(d)$.^b

In this paper, we study the quantum information transfer with the help of particles with the isospin of $T = 1/2$, therefore we restrict ourselves to considering the nonabelian gauge group $G = SU(2)$ of isotopic rotations. As an orthonormal basis of the Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}_{1/2}$, where the fundamental representation $\pi_{1/2}$ of the group $G = SU(2)$ takes place, we choose the multiplet ψ_i ($i = 1, 2$) that satisfies correlations (2)–(3). In what follows, when this leads to no misunderstanding, for simplicity, we omit the index $1/2$ and just write \mathcal{H} and π . Such a multiplet generates the $*$ -algebra ${}^0\mathcal{O}_2$, whose completion with respect to the C^* -norm forms the Cuntz algebra \mathcal{O}_2 . Its subalgebra $O_{G=SU(2)}$, which remains pointwise fixed with respect to the action of the group $SU(2)$, is associated with the algebra of observables.

As is proved in Refs. 13 and 17, generators of this algebra with arbitrary d are operators

$$\vartheta(p_n) = \sum_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} \psi_{i_1} \dots \psi_{i_n} \psi_{i_{p(n)}}^* \dots \psi_{i_{p(1)}}^*, \quad (5)$$

where $p_n \in \mathbf{P}_n$ and

$$S = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d!}} \sum_{p \in \mathbf{P}_d} \text{sign}(p) \psi_{p(1)} \dots \psi_{p(d)}. \quad (6)$$

Here, \mathbf{P}_n is a symmetric group, $\mathbf{P}_d \subset \mathbf{P}_n$ (for brevity, hereinafter we omit symbols of the tensor product in $\psi_i \otimes \psi_j$ and mainly use these denotations).

Superselection sectors are labeled here by isospin quantum numbers $T = 0; \frac{1}{2}; 1; \frac{3}{2}; \dots$ and each such subspace (sector) \mathcal{H}_T is indexed with the help of a fixed value of the isospin T which is characterized by various values of its projections T_z , whose number (it equals $2T + 1$) defines the dimension of the sector. The linear span formed by isometries $\psi_{i_1} \psi_{i_2} \dots \psi_{i_r}$ forms the r th tensor degree of the d -dimensional space $\mathcal{H}_T : \underbrace{\mathcal{H}_T \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{H}_T}_r$; we denote it as \mathcal{H}^r . Tensor degrees π^r of the represen-

tation π act as unitary operators in \mathcal{H}^r . This representation is reducible; it decomposes in the direct sum of irreducible representations (superselection sectors) that act on proper coherent subspaces of the Hilbert space \mathcal{H}^r .

Linear maps $\mathcal{H}^s \rightarrow \mathcal{H}^r \equiv (\mathcal{H}^s, \mathcal{H}^r)$ between tensor degrees form a linear span of combinations in the form

$$\psi_{i_1} \dots \psi_{i_r} \psi_{j_s}^* \dots \psi_{j_l}^* \in (\mathcal{H}^s, \mathcal{H}^r). \quad (7)$$

^bIn this case, the duality is described in terms of Lie groups.

Spaces of G -invariant intertwining operators $(\mathcal{H}^r, \mathcal{H}^s)_{SU(d=2)}$ generate an algebra of observables, i.e. a pointwise fixed subalgebra of the Cuntz algebra whose generators are operators in form (5) and (6).

In the case when $d = 2$, formula (6) implies that

$$S = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\psi_1\psi_2 - \psi_2\psi_1), \quad (8)$$

and SS^* represents a projector on the completely antisymmetric subspace in the tensor product $\mathcal{H}^{r=2} = \mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H}$. Here coherent proper subspaces are the one-dimensional space \mathcal{H}_0 and the three-dimensional one \mathcal{H}_1 ,

$$\mathcal{H}^2 = \mathcal{H}_0 \oplus \mathcal{H}_1. \quad (9)$$

Bases of these spaces are obtained by representing the tensor $\psi_i\psi_j$ ($i, j = 1, 2$) as the sum of the antisymmetric and symmetric tensors, correspondingly:^c

$$\psi_{00} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\psi_1\psi_2 - \psi_2\psi_1) \quad (10)$$

and

$$\psi_{11} = \psi_1\psi_1, \quad \psi_{10} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\psi_1\psi_2 + \psi_2\psi_1), \quad \psi_{1-1} = \psi_2\psi_2. \quad (11)$$

Respectively, the representation matrix decomposes in the direct sum of the trivial ($T = 0$) and vector ($T = 1$) representations $\pi^2 = \pi \otimes \pi = \pi_0 \oplus \pi_1$. Expression (10) (as it should be) coincides with (8) and the projector Π_{00} on the completely anti-symmetric one-dimensional subspace in \mathcal{H}^2 is

$$\Pi_{00} = \psi_{00}\psi_{00}^* = SS^*. \quad (12)$$

Analogously, denote projectors on basis states (11) as

$$\Pi_{11} = \psi_{11}\psi_{11}^* = \psi_1\psi_1\psi_1^*\psi_1^*; \quad (13)$$

$$\Pi_{10} = \psi_{10}\psi_{10}^* = \frac{1}{2}(\psi_1\psi_2 + \psi_2\psi_1)(\psi_2^*\psi_1^* + \psi_1^*\psi_2^*); \quad (14)$$

$$\Pi_{1-1} = \psi_{1-1}\psi_{1-1}^* = \psi_2\psi_2\psi_2^*\psi_2^*. \quad (15)$$

3.3. Mathematical remarks

Let us now make some mathematical remarks about algebras O_G that are obtained from the category of tensor degrees of a finite-dimensional Hilbert space and have the same mathematical structure as the Doplicher–Roberts C^* -algebra \mathcal{O}_ρ .⁷

Tensor degrees^d \mathcal{H}^r ($r = 0, 1, 2, \dots$) of the canonical Hilbert space \mathcal{H} , in general, form a subcategory in the category of Hilbert spaces **hilb**, where morphisms between

^cThe summation of isospins of two particles with $T = 1/2$ leads to the full isospin either with $T = 0$ or with $T = 1$ and $T_z = 1, 0, -1$, therefore, in this case, for convenience, we use double subscripts for isometric operators.

^dWe consider the case of $d = 2$.

degrees \mathcal{H}^s and \mathcal{H}^r are maps in form (7). Objects in this subcategory form G -modules, where there act continuous unitary representations of the group $SU(2)$ that form the monoidal category $\text{rep}(\mathbf{G})$ of tensor degrees of the irreducible representation π of the compact group $SU(2)$. Its objects are

$$\text{Obj}\text{rep}(\mathbf{G}) = \{\iota, \pi, \pi^2, \pi^3, \dots, \pi^r, \dots, \pi^s, \dots\},$$

where $\pi \otimes \pi \equiv \pi^2, \dots$; $r, s \in \mathbf{N}_0$. Morphisms in this category are intertwining operators of such representations. Correspondingly, in this case, morphisms are G -module homomorphisms $(\mathcal{H}_T^r, \mathcal{H}_T^s)_G$. This structure allows us to define the sub-algebra ${}^0\mathcal{O}_G \subset {}^0\mathcal{O}_2$ of the Cuntz algebra as follows. Taking into account (3) and (7), we can easily make sure that $(\mathcal{H}_T^r, \mathcal{H}_T^{r+k})_G \rightarrow^{\otimes 1} (\mathcal{H}_T^{r+1}, \mathcal{H}_T^{r+1+k})_G$ is an injective map of morphisms. Therefore, the inductive limit of the sequence

$$(\mathcal{H}_T^r, \mathcal{H}_T^{r+k})_G \rightarrow^{\otimes 1} (\mathcal{H}_T^{r+1}, \mathcal{H}_T^{r+1+k})_G \rightarrow^{\otimes 1} \dots \rightarrow^{\otimes 1} (\mathcal{H}_T^{r+n}, \mathcal{H}_T^{r+n+k})_G \rightarrow^{\otimes 1} \dots,$$

with fixed k defines some Banach space ${}^0\mathcal{O}_G^k$ (the composition of morphisms is defined here in a natural way). Then the summation over all k gives the \mathbb{Z} -graded C^* -algebra ${}^0\mathcal{O}_G = \bigoplus_{k \in \mathbf{Z}} {}^0\mathcal{O}_G^k$ with a nontrivial endomorphism in the form $\sigma_{\mathcal{H}} = \sum_{i=1}^{d=2} \psi_i X \psi_i^*, X \in O_{SU(2)}$, acting in it. The closure of this algebra ${}^0\bar{\mathcal{O}}_G$ leads to the subalgebra \mathcal{O}_G of the Cuntz algebra.

Tensor degrees of the endomorphism $\sigma_{\mathcal{H}}$ form a category, namely, the category of endomorphisms of the algebra of observables; in the Doplicher–Roberts approach, just they define the superselection structure of the theory. However, one can easily make sure that morphisms $t \in (\sigma_{\mathcal{H}}^s, \sigma_{\mathcal{H}}^r)$ in this category are the same maps in form (7). One can also easily prove that tensor degrees are reducible and decompose in the direct sum of irreducible ones. For example, in the case of a tensor square, we get the decomposition

$$\sigma_{\mathcal{H}}^2 = \sigma_{\mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H}}(X) = \sigma_0(X) \oplus \sigma_1(X), \quad (16)$$

where

$$\sigma_0(X) = \psi_{00} X \psi_{00}^*, \quad \sigma_1(X) = \psi_{11} X \psi_{11}^* + \psi_{10} X \psi_{10}^* + \psi_{1-1} X \psi_{1-1}^*, \quad X \in O_{SU(2)}.$$

The symmetry in this category is defined by unitary operators in the form

$$\vartheta(r, s) = \mathcal{H}^r \otimes \mathcal{H}^s \rightarrow \mathcal{H}^s \otimes \mathcal{H}^r;$$

each of these operators corresponds to a concrete permutation

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \cdots & r & r+1 & r+2 & \cdots & r+s \\ s+1 & s+2 & \cdots & s+r & 1 & 2 & \cdots & s \end{pmatrix}.$$

With $d = 2$ and $r = s = 1$, using formula (5), we get the correlation

$$\begin{aligned} \vartheta(1, 1) &= \vartheta = \sum_{i_1 i_2}^2 \psi_{i_1} \psi_{i_2} \psi_{i_{p(2)}}^* \psi_{i_{p(1)}}^* \\ &= \psi_1 \psi_1 \psi_1^* \psi_1^* + \psi_1 \psi_2 \psi_1^* \psi_2^* + \psi_2 \psi_1 \psi_2^* \psi_1^* + \psi_2 \psi_2 \psi_2^* \psi_2^*. \end{aligned}$$

The operator S in this category defines the determinant of a special object¹⁴; in this model, this object is $\sigma_{\mathcal{H}}$.

Therefore, in our case, from the formal mathematical point of view, descriptions of sectors both with the help of the category of tensor degrees of the endomorphism $\sigma_{\mathcal{H}}$ and with the help of the category of representations of the group $SU(2)$ are equivalent.

4. The Quantum Transfer of Isospin States

Basing on the proposed model, let us consider the information transfer with the help of qubits. A particle with the isospin $T = 1/2$ and its projections $T_z = \pm 1/2$ represents a two-level quantum system (a qubit). In our model, states of such a particle are described by the two-dimensional Hilbert space \mathcal{H} , whose orthonormal basis is formed by isometries ψ_1 and ψ_2 . Assume that Alice wants to send some message to Bob with the help of a pair of particles (two qubits). The Hilbert space of states of such a system is formed by coherent subspaces (9), where \mathcal{H}_0 corresponds to the state with the full isospin $T = 0$, and \mathcal{H}_1 does to the state with $T = 1$. At the same time, the projector on \mathcal{H}_0 obeys expression (12), while the projector on the whole subspace \mathcal{H}_1 is defined by the sum of projectors (13)–(15); we denote it as $\Pi_1 = \Pi_{11} + \Pi_{10} + \Pi_{1-1}$. Hence it also follows that $\Pi_{00} = \sigma_0(I) = 1_{\mathcal{H}_0}$ and $\Pi_1 = \sigma_1(I) = 1_{\mathcal{H}_1}$. Here, I is the unit of the Cuntz algebra, $1_{\mathcal{H}_0}$ and $1_{\mathcal{H}_1}$ are identical operators in these subspaces. However, projectors Π_{1i} ($i = 1, 0, -1$) on subspaces with distinct T_z depend on the orientation of the system of coordinates in the isospin space; in this sense they do not relate to the algebra of observables O_G , which by definition represents a pointwise fixed subalgebra with respect to the action of the group G . Really, the fundamental representation of the group $SU(2)$ that acts on the Hilbert space \mathcal{H} is defined by the unitary unimodular matrix

$$\pi(g) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ -\bar{\beta} & \bar{\alpha} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (17)$$

whose matrix elements are such that $|\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 = 1$ and $\alpha\bar{\alpha} + \beta\bar{\beta} = 1$. It is convenient to parameterize these matrix elements as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \exp \left(i \frac{\varphi_1 + \varphi_2}{2} \right); \\ \beta &= i \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \exp \left(-i \frac{\varphi_2 - \varphi_1}{2} \right); \\ \bar{\alpha} &= \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \exp \left(-i \frac{\varphi_1 + \varphi_2}{2} \right); \\ \bar{\beta} &= -i \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \exp \left(i \frac{\varphi_2 - \varphi_1}{2} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

Here, $\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \theta$ are Euler angles such that $0 \leq \varphi_1 \leq 2\pi$, $0 \leq \varphi_2 \leq 2\pi$, $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$. With respect to the system of coordinates characterized by Euler angles $\varphi_1 = \varphi_2 = \theta = 0$, the state that corresponds to the projection $T_z = 1$ is the basis state $\psi_{11} = \psi_1 \otimes \psi_1$.

With respect to the rotated coordinate system, for this state we get the formula

$$\pi(g)(\psi_1 \otimes \psi_1) = \alpha^2 \psi_{11} - \sqrt{2}\alpha\bar{\beta}\psi_{10} + \bar{\beta}^2 \psi_{22},$$

i.e. it turns into the coherent superposition of basis vectors of the space \mathcal{H}_1 (for clarity, we preserve the symbol of the tensor product). The projector Π_{11} on the state $\psi_1 \otimes \psi_1$ then takes the form

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(g)\Pi_{11}\pi^+(g) = & (\alpha\bar{\alpha})^2\Pi_{11} + 2(\alpha\bar{\alpha})(\beta\bar{\beta})\Pi_{10} + (\beta\bar{\beta})^2\Pi_{1-1} + \alpha^2\beta^2\psi_{11}\psi_{1-1}^* \\ & + \bar{\alpha}^2\bar{\beta}^2\psi_{1-1}\psi_{11}^* - \sqrt{2}(\alpha^2\bar{\alpha}\beta\psi_{11}\psi_{10}^* + \bar{\alpha}^2\alpha\bar{\beta}\psi_{10}\psi_{11}^* + \alpha\bar{\beta}\beta^2\psi_{10}\psi_{1-1}^* \\ & + \bar{\alpha}\beta\bar{\beta}^2\psi_{1-1}\psi_{10}^*). \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

Here, $\pi^+(g)$ is the conjugate unitary operator.

Assume now that Alice sends information in the symmetric state ψ_{11} prepared in her coordinate system with the help of the projector Π_{11} . Since Bob, at the same time, is not aware of Alice's system of coordinates, he has to perform the averaging with respect to the whole group, namely,

$$\tilde{\Pi}_{11} = \int_G \pi(g)\Pi_{11}\pi^+(g)d\mu(g). \quad (20)$$

Here, $d\mu(g) = (1/8\pi^2)\sin\theta d\theta d\varphi_1 d\varphi_2$ is an invariant Haar measure. For getting an explicit form of $\tilde{\Pi}_{11}$ by formula (20), we have to integrate expression (19); actually, this implies the integration of coefficients at projectors. For example, in accordance with formula (18), for the mean value $(\widehat{\alpha\bar{\alpha}})^2$ we get the correlation

$$(\widehat{\alpha\bar{\alpha}})^2 = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_0^\pi \cos^4 \frac{\theta}{2} \sin\theta d\theta \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi_1 \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi_2 = \frac{1}{3}.$$

Integrating analogously the rest coefficients in formula (19) and taking into account the fact that the averaging of coefficients at projectors that map basis states in \mathcal{H}_1 to each other gives zero, we get the formula

$$\tilde{\Pi}_{11} = \frac{1}{3}(\Pi_{11} + \Pi_{10} + \Pi_{1-1}) = \frac{1}{3}\Pi_1.$$

Now, we can easily prove that $[\tilde{\Pi}_{11}, \pi(g)] = 0$, which means that $\tilde{\Pi}_{11}$ belongs to the algebra of observables O_G . Therefore, the averaging over the group leads to the decoherence²²: the pure state $\rho = \Pi_{11}$ sent by Alice is treated by Bob as a mixed one $\tilde{\rho} = \tilde{\Pi}_{11}$. We can say that by using two qubits Alice can send to Bob one classical information bit, following the protocol: *with the help of the antisymmetric state (10) send the information that corresponds to 0 and with the help of any state (11) from the symmetric subspace also send the information that corresponds to 1* (see item 2.2). Here Bob performs the projective measurement on antisymmetric and symmetric subspaces with the help of a superselection operator in the form (see formula (1))

$$\mathfrak{S} = p_1 \left(\frac{1}{3}\Pi_1 \right) + p_0 \Pi_{00},$$

where p_1 and p_0 are probabilities defined by frequencies of sent signals encoded by symmetric and antisymmetric states, correspondingly.

In the case of two particles, the projector Π_{00} on the antisymmetric subspace is a scalar value, and with the help of formula (20) one can easily make sure that $\tilde{\Pi}_{00} = \Pi_{00}$. Therefore, Alice can code messages only with the help of states such that projectors on them belong to the algebra of observables $O_{SU(2)}$. Owing to the commutativity of such projectors with elements $\pi(g)$, Bob unambiguously recognizes the received information.

Let us now consider the transfer of the quantum information with the help of three qubits. In this case, we get an 8-dimensional reducible Hilbert space. It decomposes in the direct sum of coherent subspaces: $\mathcal{H}^3 = \text{Lin}\{\psi_i\psi_j\psi_k\}_{i,j,k=1}^{d=2} = 2\mathcal{H}_{\frac{1}{2}} \oplus \mathcal{H}_{\frac{3}{2}}$, whose bases consist of the following tensors:

$$\begin{aligned} e_1 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\psi_1\psi_2\psi_1 - \psi_2\psi_1\psi_1), \\ e_2 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\psi_1\psi_2\psi_2 - \psi_2\psi_1\psi_2), \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

$$\begin{aligned} e_3 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(2\psi_1\psi_1\psi_2 - \psi_1\psi_2\psi_1 - \psi_2\psi_1\psi_1), \\ e_4 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(\psi_1\psi_2\psi_2 + \psi_2\psi_1\psi_2 - 2\psi_2\psi_2\psi_1); \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

$$\begin{aligned} e_5 &= \psi_1\psi_1\psi_1, \\ e_6 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\psi_1\psi_2\psi_1 + \psi_2\psi_1\psi_1 + \psi_1\psi_1\psi_2), \\ e_7 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\psi_1\psi_2\psi_2 + \psi_2\psi_1\psi_2 + \psi_2\psi_2\psi_1), \\ e_8 &= \psi_2\psi_2\psi_2. \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

Here expressions (21) and (22), taking into account the multiplicity, correspond to the value $T = 1/2$, while expression (23) does to $T = 3/2$. At the same time, the matrix of the representation $\pi_{1/2} \otimes \pi_{1/2} \otimes \pi_{1/2}$ also decomposes in the direct sum of irreducible representations $2\pi_{1/2} \oplus \pi_{3/2}$. We can express projectors on these subspaces in terms of unitary operators (5) and isometries (6) with $d = 2$, i.e. they belong to the algebra of observables $O_{SU(2)}$. For example, one can easily make sure that $\Pi_{\frac{1}{2}} = e_1e_1^* + e_2e_2^* = SS^*$. Therefore, with the help of three qubits Alice can send a message to Bob, adhering to the following protocol: *with the help of any state (21) or (22) send the data that correspond to the sector with $T = 1/2$ and with the help of any state (23) from the symmetric subspace also send the data that correspond to the sector with $T = 3/2$* . Hence, it follows that the number of classical messages (in this case, it equals three) that can be coded with the help of three qubits depends on the number of coherent superselection sectors (taking into account their multiplicities). One can also easily get an explicit formula for the superselection operator.

Analogously, for four particles, we get the 16-dimensional state space $\mathcal{H}^4 = \text{Lin}\{\psi_i\psi_j\psi_k\psi_l\}_{i,j,k,l=1}^{d=2}$. However, one can find a basis in it, in which the representation matrix decomposes in the direct sum $2\pi_0 \oplus 3\pi_1 \oplus \pi_2$ of irreducible representations, where the multiplicity of the isosinglet representation equals two, that of the isotriplet representation equals three, and the multiplicity of the irreducible representation that corresponds to the value $T = 2$ equals one. Let us give here only the expressions for basis vectors that correspond to the isosinglet representation, i.e.

$$e_1 = \frac{1}{2}(\psi_1\psi_2\psi_1\psi_2 - \psi_1\psi_2\psi_2\psi_1 - \psi_2\psi_1\psi_1\psi_2 + \psi_2\psi_1\psi_2\psi_1), \quad (24)$$

$$\begin{aligned} e_2 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \left(\psi_1\psi_1\psi_2\psi_2 - \frac{1}{2}\psi_1\psi_2\psi_1\psi_2 - \frac{1}{2}\psi_2\psi_1\psi_1\psi_2 - \frac{1}{2}\psi_1\psi_2\psi_2\psi_1 \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{2}\psi_2\psi_1\psi_2\psi_1 + \psi_2\psi_2\psi_1\psi_1 \right). \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

One can easily make sure that projectors on these states belong to the algebra of observables $O_{SU(2)}$. Thus, for example, $e_1 e_1^* = SSS^*S^*$ and $e_2 e_2^* = 1/2(I + \vartheta(1, 1))$. In this case, the number of classical messages that can be coded with the help of four qubits also equals the number of coherent superselection sectors, taking into account their multiplicities, i.e. six ($2 + 3 + 1$).

Thus, it is possible to transmit a number of classical messages equal to the number m of irreducible representations of the isospin group, taking into account their multiplicity. Therefore, the transfer rate of classical information encoded in the nucleon system is determined by the expression $N^{-1}\log_2 m$, where N is the number of qubits. We consider the following cases: $N = 2, 3, 4$. For an arbitrary N , the determination of the total number of irreducible representations is reduced to a combinatorics problem. The solution of this problem is partially given in Ref. 5 and our results in this particular case is in full agreement with the results of Ref. 5. But in general, from a physical point of view, not all coherent sectors have stable configurations of nucleons, and in this connection, from our point of view, there are experimental restrictions. We have discussed these problems in the conclusion.

5. Conclusion

In this paper, we study the formal possibility of the transfer of quantum information with the help of qubits at the presence of nonabelian isotopical spin superselection rules on the base of a simple algebraic model proposed by us in Ref. 7. Inspite of the similarity with the theory of representation groups in finite-dimensional Hilbert spaces, in our model, finite-dimensional Hilbert subspaces belong to the Cuntz algebra and form a tensor symmetric category, whose G -module homomorphisms define an algebra of observables.

In this connection, we focus on the superselection structure of the theory that is directly determined by the algebra of observables O_G with the trivial center $\mathbb{C}I$ and a

subcategory of the category of endomorphisms. This approach allows us to immediately operate with observed values and states defined on the algebra of observables. Moreover, owing to the Doplicher–Roberts duality theorem, we can extend this approach to the case of an abstract C^* -algebra of observables; this allows us to calculate the particle statistics, basing only on the statistics of the superselection sector itself, regardless of the field algebra.¹⁵ The local structure is also defined here in a natural way, because observables in various superselection sectors mutually commute. In this regard, the superselection charge refers to the classical (macroscopic) observable, namely, since it belongs to the center of the algebra of observables, it commutes with observables in any sector.

Note that the main results obtained here correlate with analogous results established in Ref. 5. From the mathematical point of view, we can assume that by increasing the number of qubits, one can increase the effectiveness of information transfer, because the increase of their number leads to the increase of the number of coherent superselection sectors, owing to the increase of their multiplicity.

However, from the point of view of the observability, we can say that correlations between particles do no necessarily lead to bound states in all coherent superselection sectors. This can lead to certain experimental constraints. For example, the isospin of the thoroughly studied two-nucleon system can equal either $T = 0$ or $T = 1$ (the ordinary spin has the same connection scheme). Correspondingly, these states belong to two distinct coherent superselection sectors. However, it is known that two nucleons of total isospin 0, which belong to an antisymmetric subspace, are most correlated and correspond to the deuteron observed in the experiment. At the same time, two nucleons in the superselection sector with $T = 1$, which correspond to symmetric states, can be realized only as unstable formations; they correspond to two protons, two neutrons, or a symmetric neutron-proton pair. In other words, the tensor part of the nuclear interaction, which depends on the mutual orientation of spins of nucleons, has a great intensity only with the minimum isospin.

Analogously, taking into account the isospin superselection, a three-nucleon system can form the bound doublet state with the basis (21) and (22) which corresponds to the minimum isospin of the system $T = 1/2$. These states (e_1, e_2 and e_3, e_4) of three nucleons with the isospin $T = 1/2$ (tritium and helium-3) are formed with the help of mixed representations of the symmetric group and are stable. As for states of three neutrons ($3n$) and three protons $3p = ^3\text{Li}$, they correspond to the symmetric representation with $T = 3/2$ (basis (23)) and are unstable.^e

From the physical point of view, four-nucleon systems are structures in the form $4n, 4p, 1n3p$, etc.; among them there also exists the structure that corresponds to the nucleus of ${}^4\text{He}$, i.e. an α -particle. According to experimental results, the α -particle has zero spin and isospin. According to our model, there exist two states that

^eFrom the physical point of view, such an isodoublet corresponds to two mirror nuclei with one proton and two neutrons (the tritium nucleus, i.e. deuteron + neutron) and with one neutron and two protons (helium-3, i.e. deuteron+proton).

correspond to isotopic singlets (24) and (25), which remain pointwise fixed with respect to the group action. However, the state defined by expression (24) represents the product of two operators S , which allows us to consider that this state corresponds to the observed α -particle, i.e. a stable structure of a four-nucleon system.

References

1. N. H. Nickerson, J. F. Fitzsimons and S. C. Benjamin, *Phys. Rev. X* **4**(4) (2014) 041041.
2. H.-S. Zhong *et al.*, *Science* **370** (2020) 1460–1463.
3. N. Gisin *et al.*, *Electron. Lett.* **46**(14) (2010) 965.
4. A. Kitaev, D. Mayers and J. Preskill, *Phys. Rev. A* **69** (2004) 052326-1.
5. S. D. Bartlett, T. Rudolf and R. W. Spekkens, *Rev. Mod. Phys.* **79** (2007) 555; S. D. Bartlett, T. Rudolf and R. W. Spekkens, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **91** (2003) 027901-1.
6. G. C. Wick, A. S. Wightman and E. P. Wigner, *Phys. Rev.* **88** (1952) 101.
7. M. I. Kirillov, A. S. Nikitin and A. S. Sitdikov, *Izv. Ross. Akad. Nauk, Ser. Fiz.* **82**(10) (2018) 1403–1407.
8. S. S. Horuzhy, *Introduction to Algebraic Quantum Field Theory* (Springer Netherlands, 1986), p. 304 (in Russian).
9. R. Haag, *Local Quantum Physics*, Texts and Monographs in Physics, 2nd edn. (Springer Verlag, Berlin, 1996).
10. N. N. Bogolyubov, A. A. Logunov, A. I. Oksak and I. T. Todorov, *General Principles of Quantum Field Theory* (Springer, Netherlands, 1987), p. 615 (in Russian).
11. S. Doplicher, R. Haag and J. E. Roberts, *Comm. Math. Phys.* **23** (1971) 199.
12. S. Doplicher, R. Haag and J. E. Roberts, *Comm. Math. Phys.* **35** (1974) 49.
13. S. Doplicher and J. E. Roberts, *Ann. Math.* **130** (1989) 75.
14. S. Doplicher and J. E. Roberts, *Invent. Math.* **98** (1989) 157.
15. S. Doplicher and J. E. Roberts, *Comm. Math. Phys.* **131** (1990) 51.
16. T. Tannaka, *Tohoku Math. J.* **45** (1939) 1–12; M. G. Krein, *Dokl. Akad. Nauk SSSR* **69** (1949) 725.
17. S. Doplicher and J. E. Roberts, *J. Funct. Anal.* **74** (1987) 96.
18. D. Bouwmeester, K. Ekert Artur and A. Zeilinger (eds.), *The Physics of Quantum Information* (Springer-Verlag, Berlin, Heidelberg, 2010), p. 315.
19. M. A. Nielsen and I. Chang, *Quantum Computation and Quantum Information* (Cambridge University Press, 2000), p. 704.
20. A. S. Holevo, *Prob. Inf. Trans.* **9** (1973) 177.
21. G. Amosov Grigori and N. Fillipov Sergey, *Quantum Inf. Process* **16** (2017) 2.
22. M. B. Menskii, *Quantum Measurement and Decoherence* (Kluwer Academic Publishers, 2000), p. 226.