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Phase-Matching MDI-QKD

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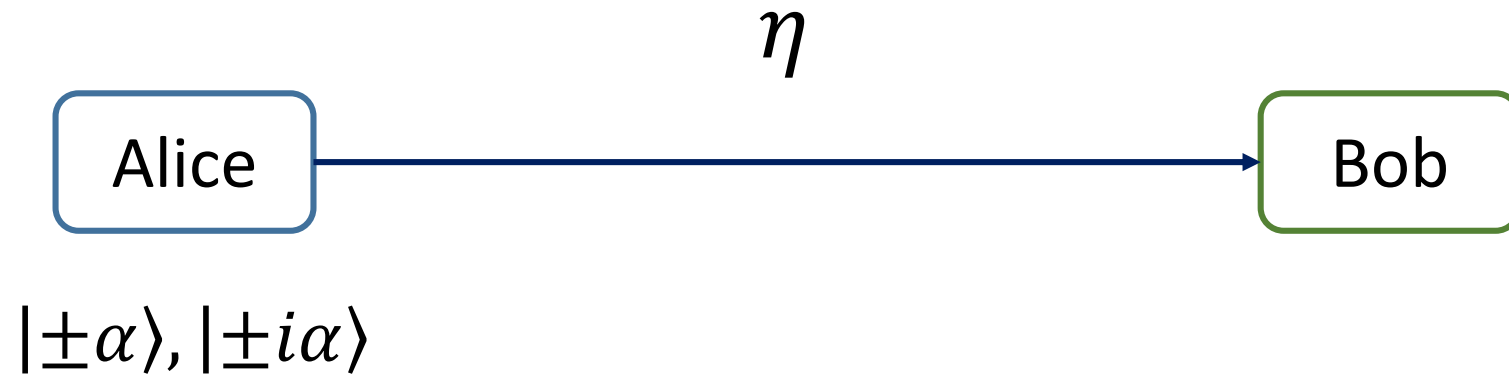


Motivation & Background

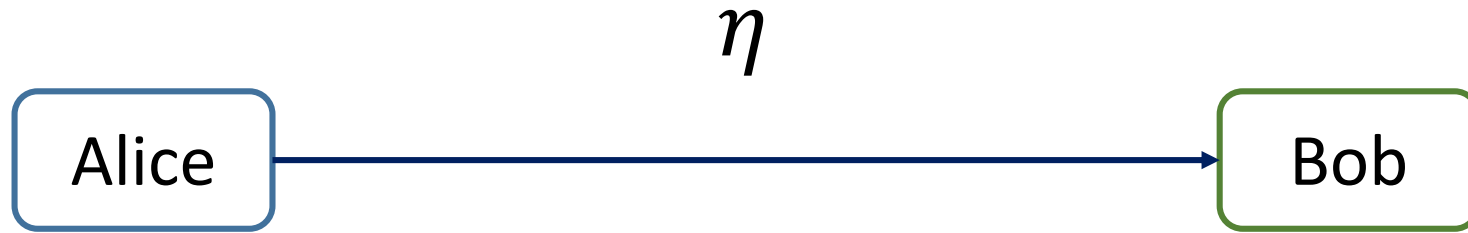
R $?$ η



$$R = O(\eta^2)$$



$$R = \begin{matrix} \cancel{O(\eta^2)} \\ O(\eta) \end{matrix}$$



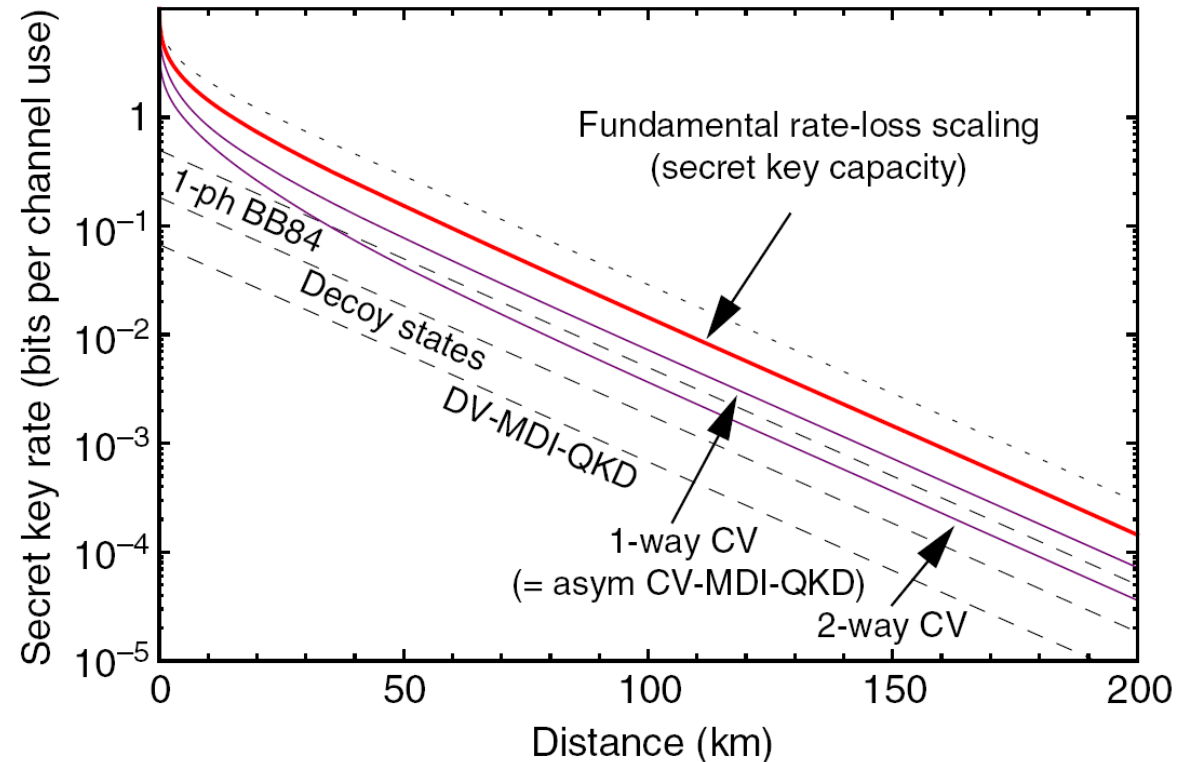
$$|\pm\alpha\rangle, |\pm i\alpha\rangle$$

Decoy state method

$$R = \overline{O(\eta)}$$

- Secret key capacity (SKC) bound
 - For all point-to-point QKD models

$$R \leq -\log_2(1 - \eta)$$
- Protocols beyond SKC model?
 - Alice and Bob
both are **sources/detectors**

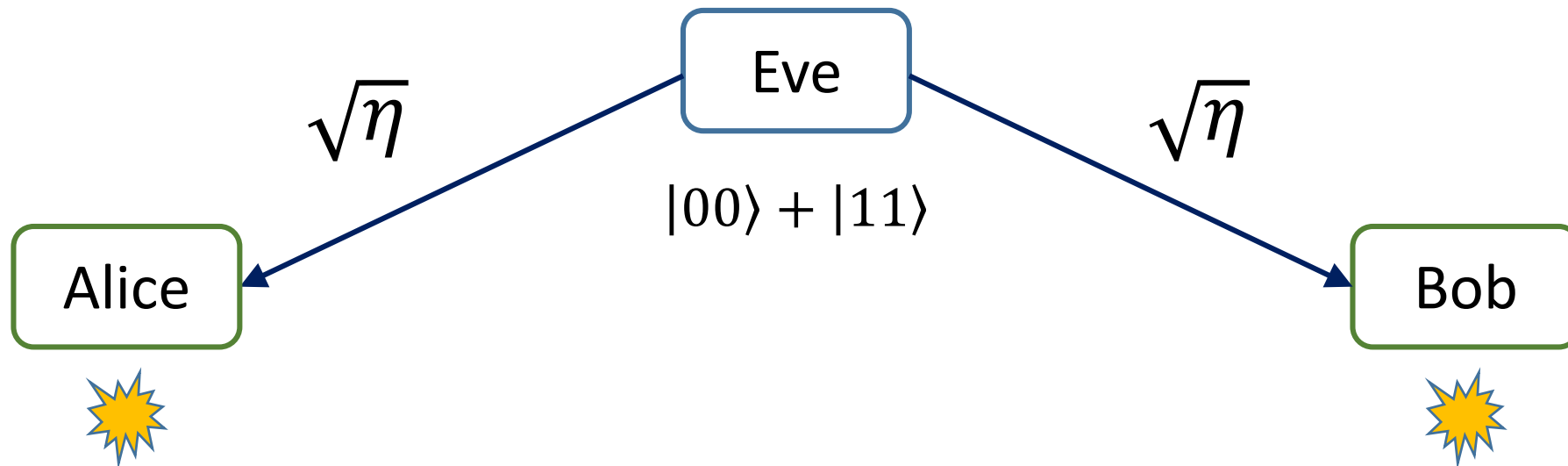


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$$R = \overline{O(\eta)}?$$

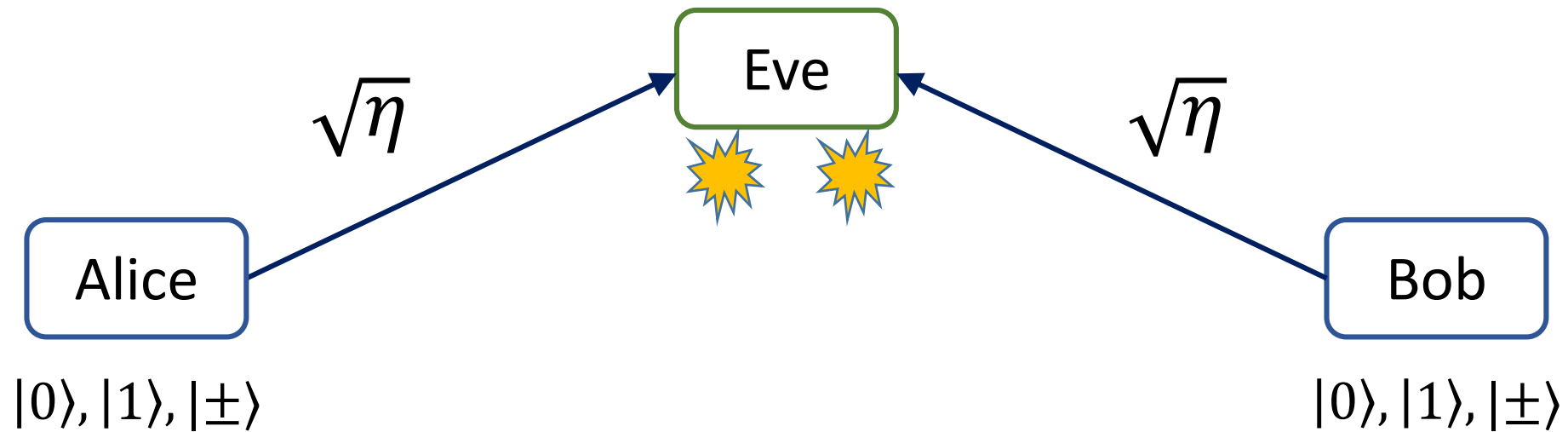
E.g. BBM92 protocol



Coincident detection $\Rightarrow R = O\left((\sqrt{\eta})^2\right) = O(\eta)$

$$R = \overline{O(\eta)}?$$

E.g. Polarization encoding MDI-QKD protocol



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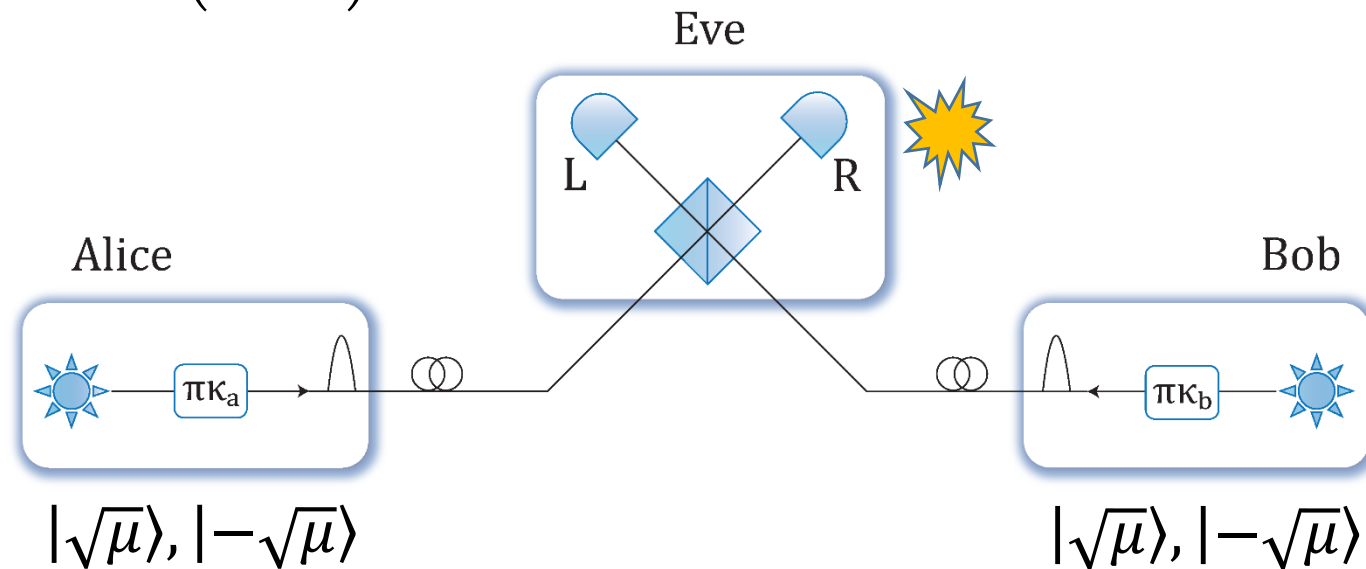
$$R = \overline{O(\eta)}?$$

E.g. “MDI-B92” protocol; Phase-matching type protocol

- Unambiguous State Discrimination attack

- $P_{suc} \sim O(\mu)$

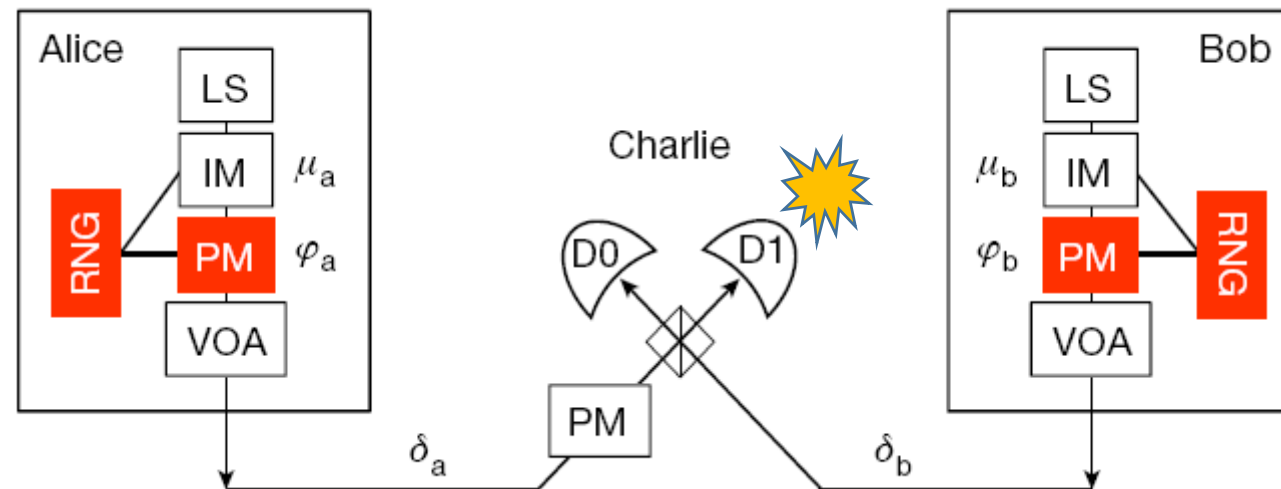
- $\mu \leq O(\sqrt{\eta}), R = O\left((\sqrt{\eta})^2\right) = O(\eta)$



$$R > \overline{O(\eta)}!$$

Twin-field QKD

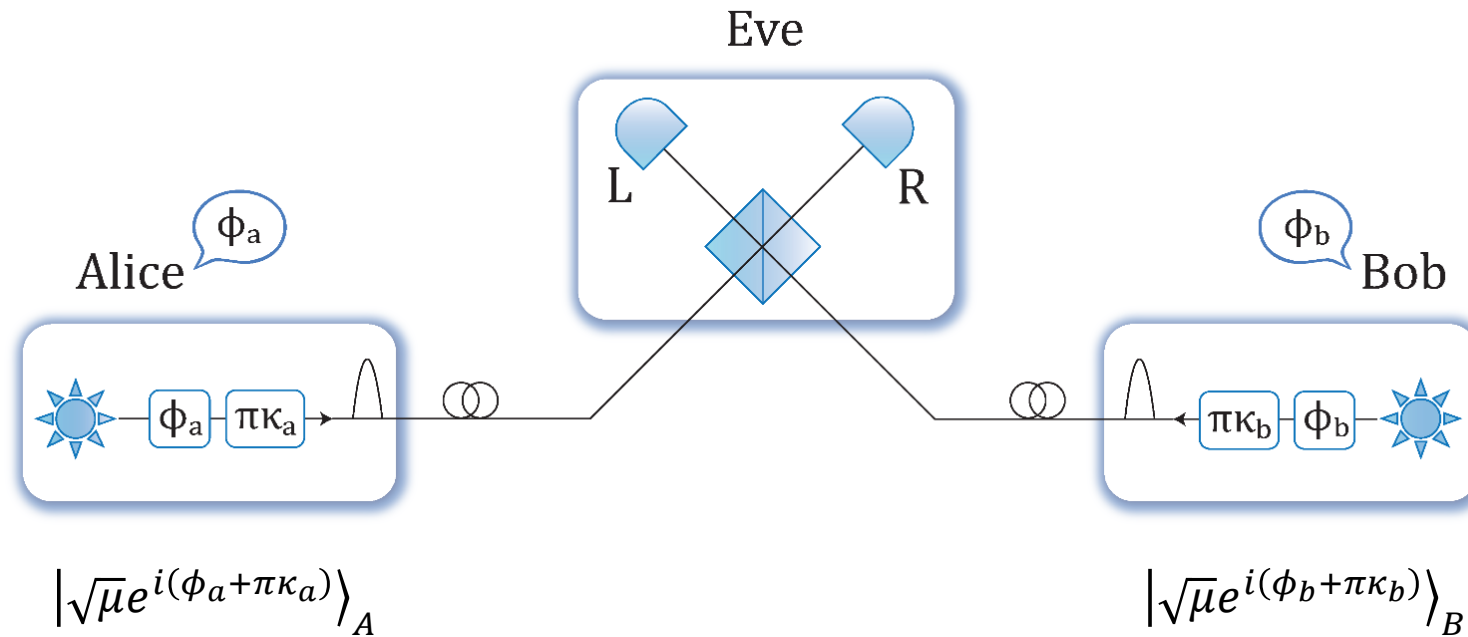
- Point out the potential of $R > O(\eta)$
- BB84 type encoding, $|\pm\alpha\rangle, |\pm i\alpha\rangle$
- Introduce the decoy state method





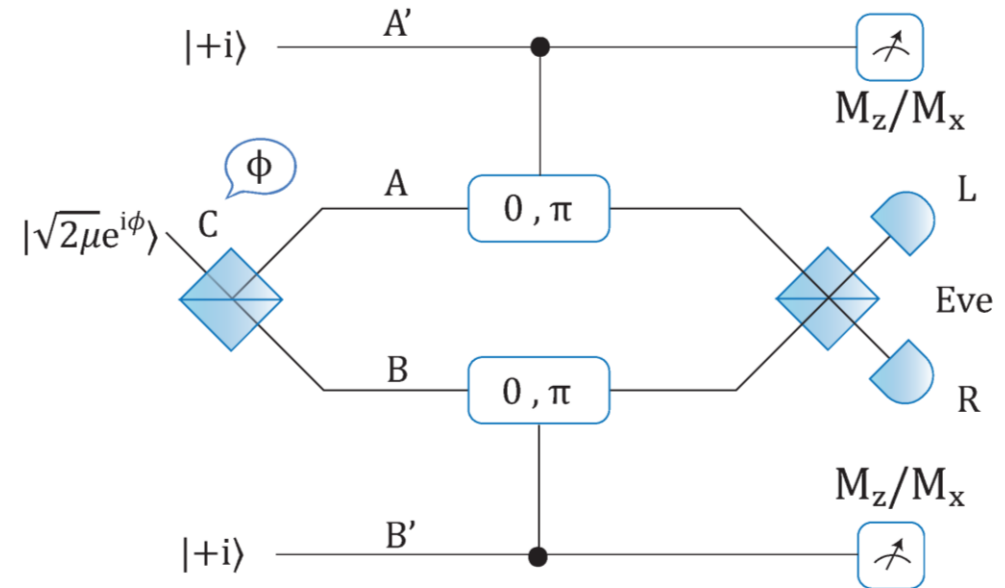
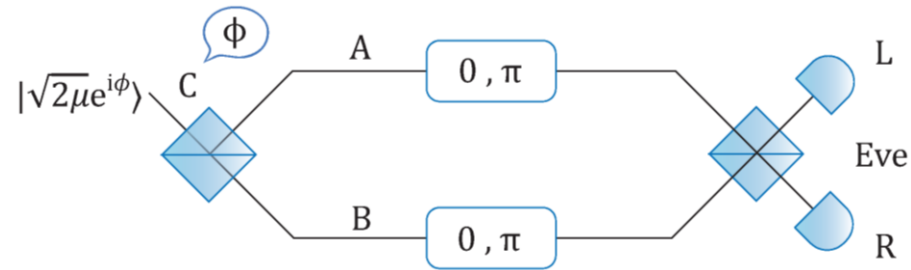
Protocol & security

Phase-matching (MDI-)QKD



- Extension of “MDI-B92” protocol
- Phase-reference should be matched
- Detection matches the phases: Eve’s detection create a correlation between κ_a, κ_b

Random phase PM protocol: Entanglement-based view

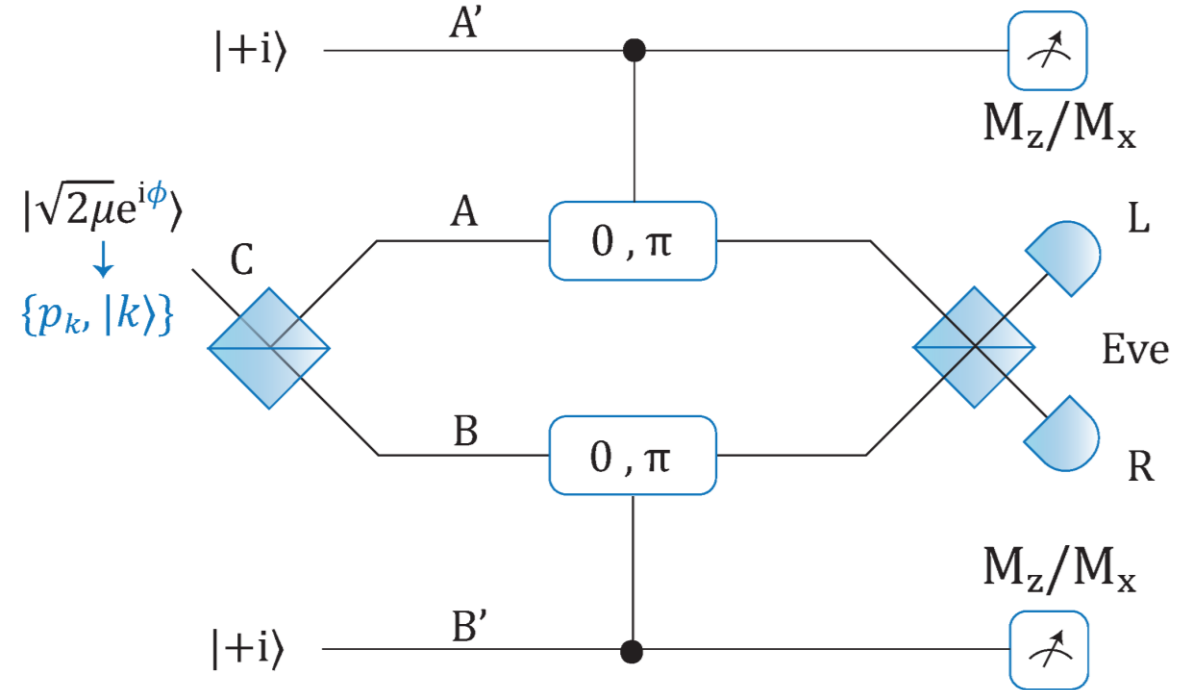


- Consider the post-selected signals with the same phase ϕ
- $K = \left(1 - H(E_\mu^Z) - H(E_\mu^X)\right)$
- Key point: estimate the phase error E_μ^X

Ancillary protocol, decoy state

- For $|k\rangle$ photon number input:
 - $e_k^Z = e_k^X$ if k is odd
 - $e_k^Z = 1 - e_k^X$ if k is even
- Decoy state to estimate $\{e_k^Z, Y_k^Z\}$
- Estimate the overall phase error rate

$$E_\mu^X = \sum_k q_k e_k^X$$



Key rate and parameter estimation

- $K = Q_\mu \left(1 - H(E_\mu^Z) - H(E_\mu^X) \right)$

- $Q_\mu = O(\sqrt{\eta})$

- $E_\mu^X \leq q_0 e_0 + q_1 e_1^Z + q_3 e_3^Z + (1 - q_0 - q_1 - q_3)$

- E_μ^X -- overall phase error rate;

- $Q_\mu = \sum_k p_k Y_k$

- $E_\mu^Z = \sum_k q_k e_k^Z$

- $E_\mu^X = \sum_k q_k e_k^X$

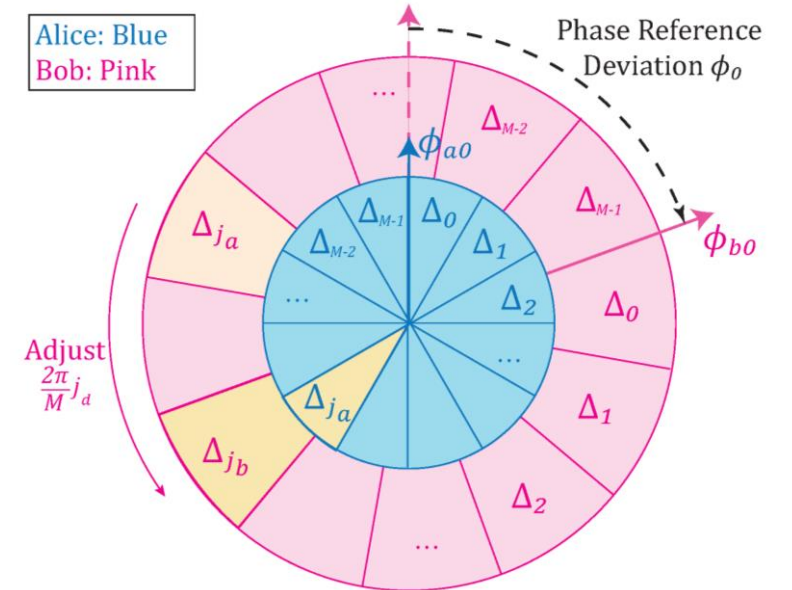
- Phase announcement is **critical, not commute with photon number measurement**
- Photon number channel model invalid: collective BS attack
- Core observation: **overall phase error rate is the same**



Practical issues & simulation

Practical issues

- Infinitesimal post-selection condition
 - Introduce phase slices
 - No effect on the security, just introduce intrinsic errors
- Continuous phase randomization: hard
 - Discrete phase randomization is enough
- Phase locking requirement
 - Alice and Bob can estimate the phase reference deviation of each round
 - Post-selection(Sifting) based on estimated phase difference; no feedback
 - Only requirement: the phase **cannot fluctuate too quickly**



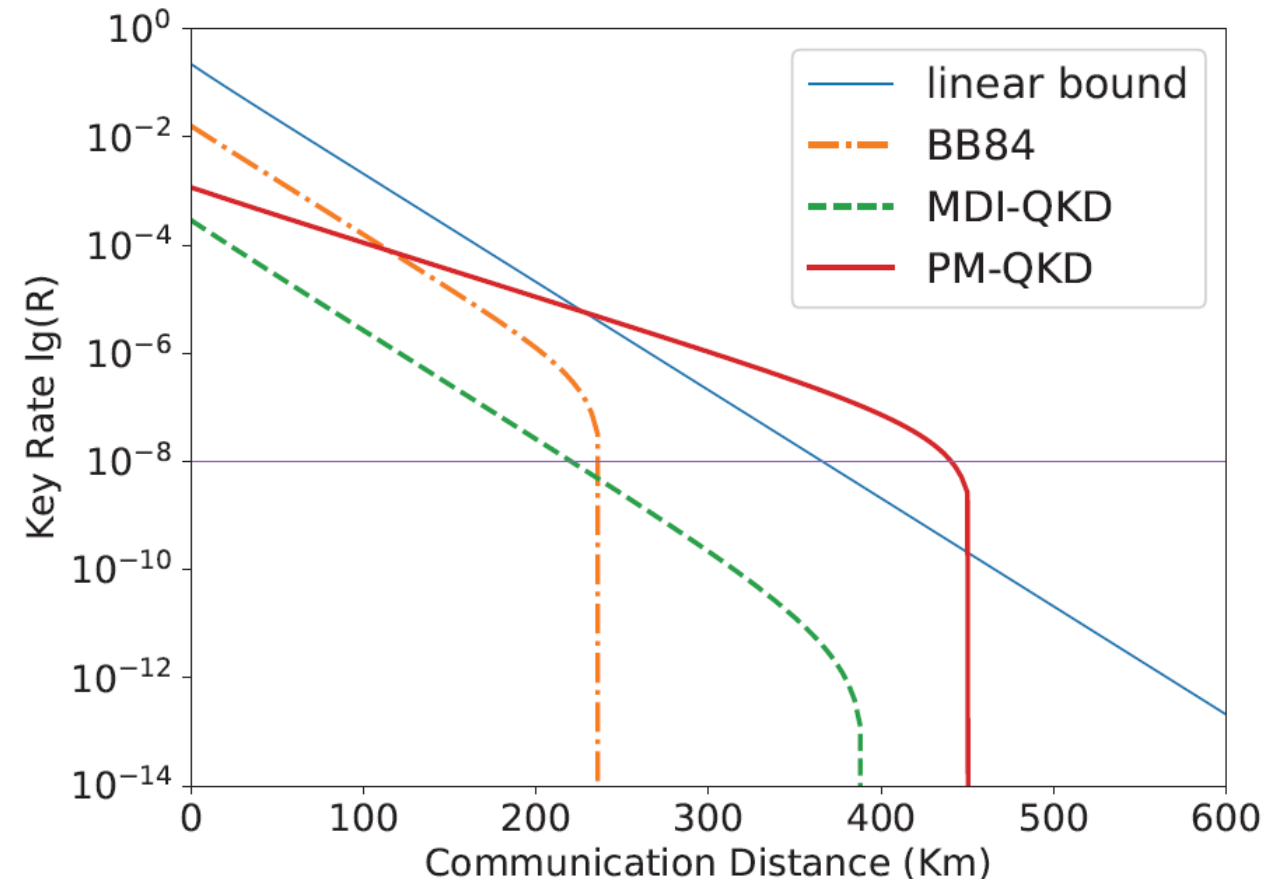
Performance of PM protocol

- Consider all the practical factor:

- Dark count: $8 * 10^{-8}$
- Detection efficiency: 14.5%
- Sifting factor: 1/8
- Misalignment: $\sim 1.5\%$
- Error correction efficiency: 1.15

- $$K = \frac{2}{M} Q_{\mu} \left(1 - fH(E_{\mu}^Z) - H(E_{\mu}^X) \right)$$

- Break the linear bound!





Summary & outlook

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$$R = O(\sqrt{\eta})$$

Outlook

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Thanks!



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