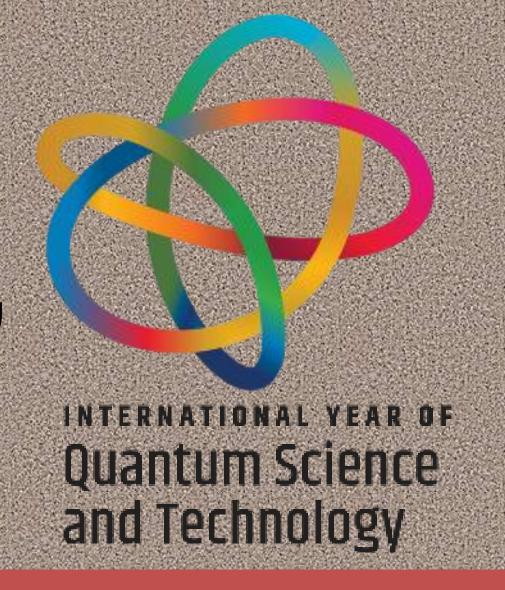
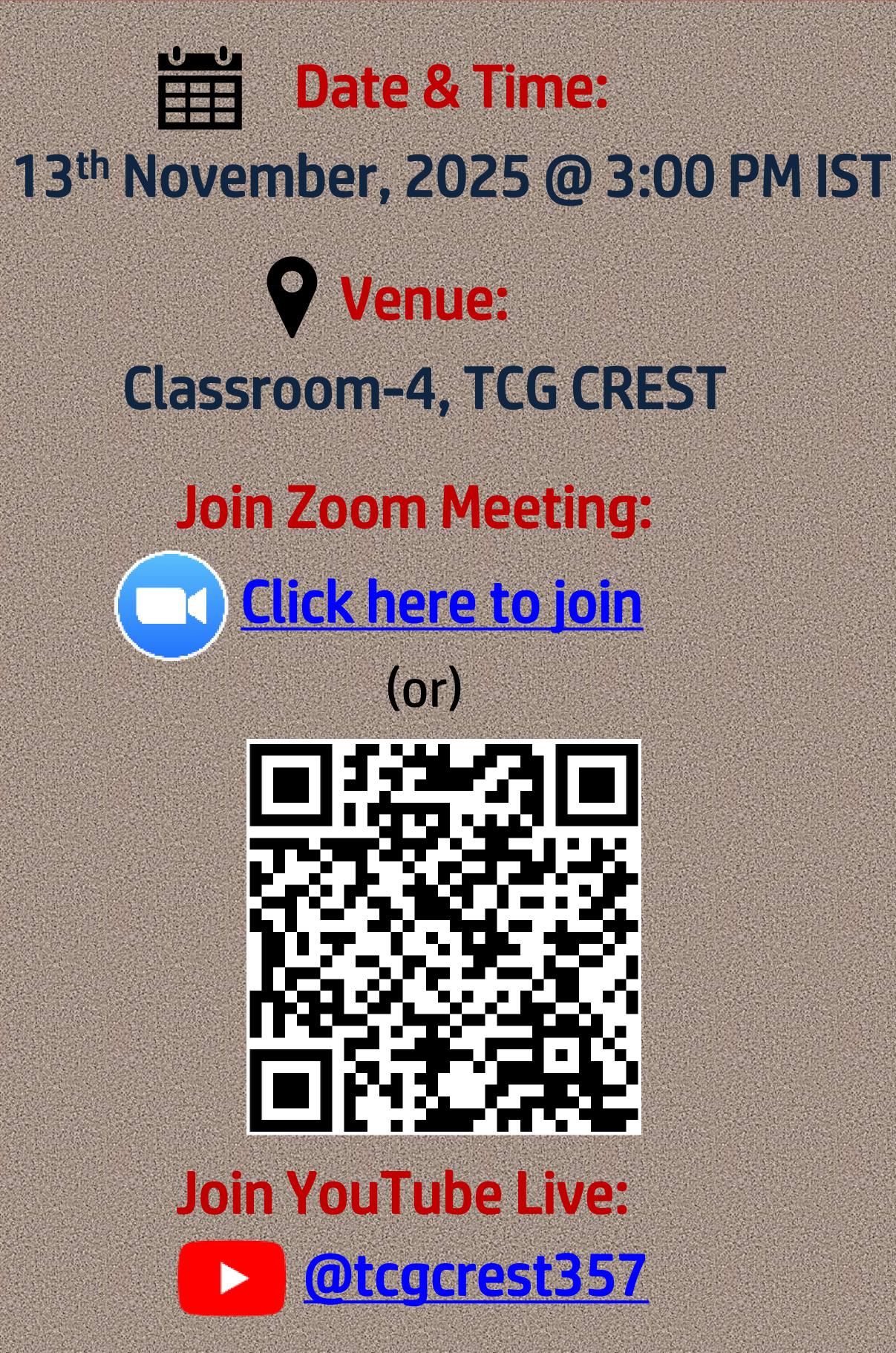


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Abstract

An invariant observable is defined as a measurable quantity whose statistics are unchanged under the symmetry group describing transformations between classical reference frames. I extend this notion to quantum reference frames (QRFs), where reference frames are physical systems that can exist in superposition and become entangled with the systems they describe. I model changes of QRF as quantum-controlled reference-frame transformations and define invariant observables as those unchanged under this enlarged group. In this setting, standard notions such as coherence and entanglement—while invariant under classical frame changes—fail to be invariant under QRF transformations. However, I show that suitable combinations of coherence and entanglement do remain invariant under QRFs.

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