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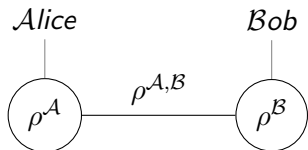
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The "right" quantum measurement will make no change to the probability distribution, but the wrong one will make it more random

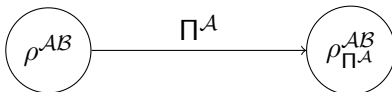
# Bipartite systems



- In a multipartite (quantum) system some measurements require entanglement resources, and some are impossible.
- We will restrict ourselves to local measurements  $\Pi^{A/B}$  or bi-local measurements  $\Pi^A \otimes \Pi^B$
- The "best" measurement is one which commutes with the system.  $[\Pi^A, \rho^{AB}]$  etc.. The same is true for each subsystem.

# Discord

$\Pi^A$ :



- We can quantify the effect of a measurement by the change in some known quantity. Mutual information  $I(\rho^{AB})$  and Entropy  $S(\rho^{AB})$  are good candidates.
- Discord is the change in one of these quantities due to a measurement on one side:  $\Pi^A$
- To give more meaning it's better to optimize over the best measurement.

# Types of discord

- $D_1^{\Pi^A}(\rho^{AB}) = I(\rho^{AB}) - I(\rho_{\Pi^A}^{AB})$  - The change in MI (Zurek 00)
- $D_2^{\Pi^A}(\rho^{AB}) = S(\rho_{\Pi^A}^{AB}) - S(\rho^{AB})$  - The change in entropy (Zurek 03)
- $D_3(\rho^{AB}) = D_1^{\tilde{\Pi}^A}(\rho^{AB}) = D_2^{\tilde{\Pi}^A}(\rho^{AB})$ ;  $[\tilde{\Pi}^A, \rho^A] = 0$
- Other types?
- When minimizing, all types vanish simultaneously! (Brodutch & Terno 10)



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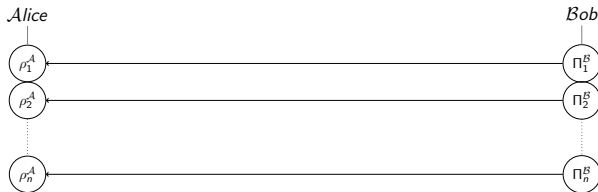
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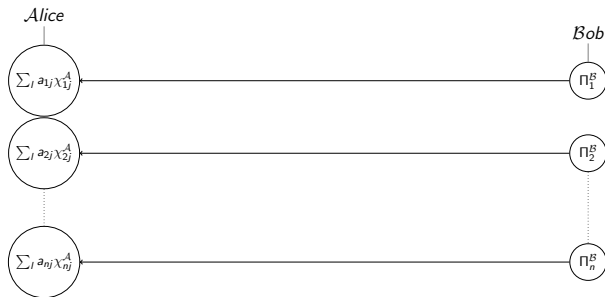
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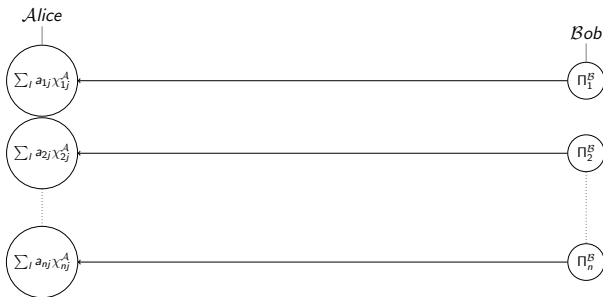
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But the eigenbasis of a zero discord density matrix  $\{\chi_{ii}^A \otimes \Pi_i^B\}_{ii}$  defines a **locally distinguishable set of states**.

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## Maxwell's demon and the Szilard engine

- Maxwell's demon is given a  $d$  dimensional system with density matrix  $\rho$ .
- It makes a (non-degenerate orthogonal) measurement in the basis  $\{\Pi_j\}$
- It then uses the pure state  $\Pi_i$  obtained to extract work  $W = k_B T [\log(d)]$ .
- But since the measuring device now has entropy  $H(\rho : \{\Pi_j\})$  the net gain is:

$$k_B T [\log(d) - H(\rho : \{\Pi_j\})] \quad (3)$$



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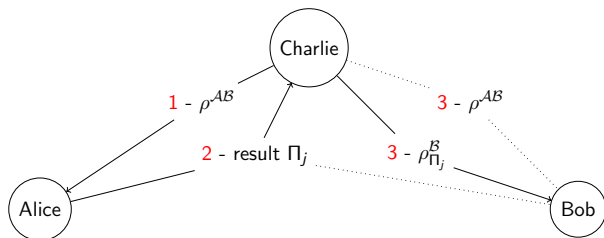
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- 2 Local rules - Charlie can only send local information to Alice or Bob. Alice can send information to Charlie.

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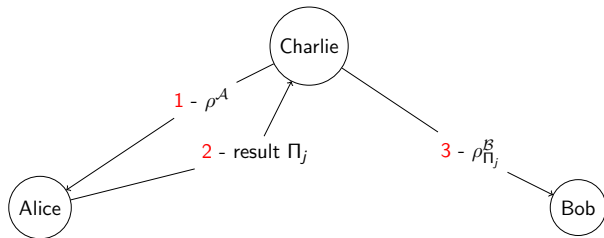


Using the best possible strategy

$$W_z = K_B T [\log(d^2) - \min_{\{\Pi_i^A\}} [H(\mathcal{A}) + H(\mathcal{B}|\{\Pi_i^A\})]] \quad (4)$$

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Alice's best strategy is to measure in the eigenbasis.

$$W_I = K_B T [\log(d^2) - [H(\mathcal{A}) + H(\mathcal{B}|\{\Pi_i^A\})]] \quad (5)$$

with  $\{\Pi_i^A\}$  being the eigenbasis of  $\rho^A$ .

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The difference between what work the non-local goblin and the two local demons can do is given by

$$\Delta_z = \min_{\{\Pi_i^A\}} [H(\mathcal{A}) + H(\mathcal{B}|\{\Pi_i^A\})] - H(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$$

or

$$\Delta_l = [H(\mathcal{A}) + H(\mathcal{B} : \{\Pi_i^A\})] - H(\mathcal{AB}); \quad \{\Pi_i^A\} = \{\text{eigenbasis}(\rho^A)\}$$

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The classical c-not gate  
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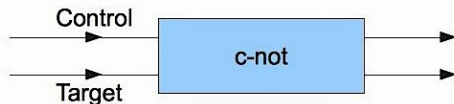
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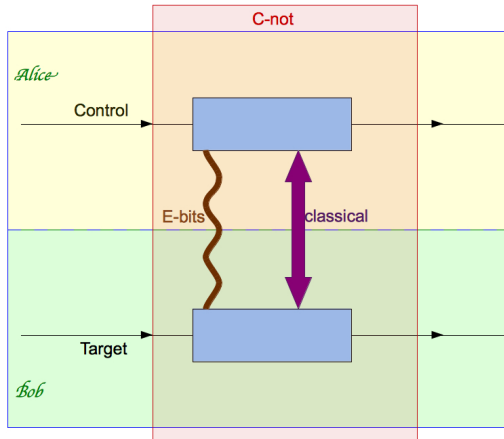
$|X_+0\rangle \rightarrow [ |11\rangle + |00\rangle ] / \sqrt{2}$

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$|1X_-\rangle \rightarrow |0X_-\rangle$

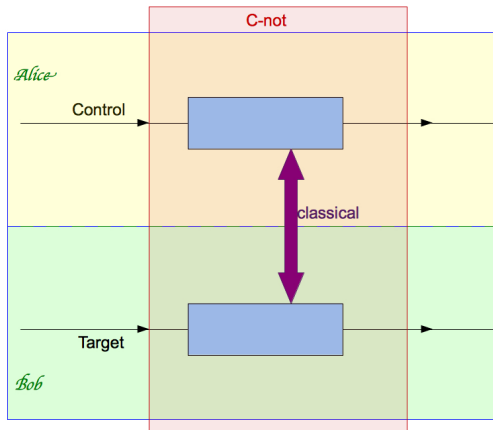


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2 classical bits and 1 e-bit

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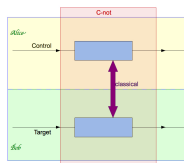
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- In an LOCC protocol Alice and Bob can always know what operation they performed.
- The gate should either "flip" or "not flip" a  $Y_+$  state on either Alice's or Bob's side.
- But these operations are incompatible, so Alice and Bob can know what the input state was.

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We are now assured that the next operation would be a "flip-flip"

## example

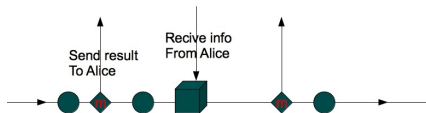
#	State
<i>a</i>	$ 1\rangle Y_+\rangle \rightarrow  1\rangle Y_-\rangle$
<i>b</i>	$ 0\rangle Y_+\rangle \rightarrow  0\rangle Y_+\rangle$
<i>c</i>	$ Y_+\rangle X_-\rangle \rightarrow  Y_-\rangle X_-\rangle$
<i>d</i>	$ Y_+\rangle X_+\rangle \rightarrow  Y_+\rangle X_+\rangle$

Alice	Bob	
	F	N
F	$\left\{ \begin{array}{cc} a & c \end{array} \right\}$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{cc} & c \\ b & \end{array} \right\}$
N	$\left\{ \begin{array}{cc} a & \\ & d \end{array} \right\}$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{cc} & \\ b & d \end{array} \right\}$

- A protocol which would allow Alice and Bob to implement this gate without entanglement will allow discrimination between the 4 non orthogonal states.
- We can see that a restricted version of the c-not gate with separable input-output states cannot be implemented using LOCC

- A mixture of the states used in the example would give non zero discord for either the input or output.
- A more general scheme can be used to show that a unitary operation which changes the discord (on both sides) cannot be implemented without entanglement. (?)
- Any quantum computation which involves changing the discord of states must have some (possibly hidden) entanglement as a resource. (?)

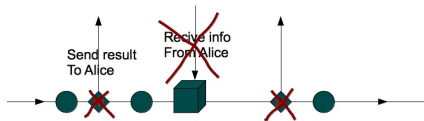
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- Discord is a measure of how much a system is changed by a local measurement
- Zero discord is a unique property which can be easily verified.
- Different versions of discord relate to different types of non local advantage.
- Zero discord is common to all types.
- There is no simple relation between local distinguishability and discord.
- A restricted version of the c-not gate with discord inputs cannot be implemented using LOCC
- Unless both input and output ensembles have zero discord.



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Questions?

