

Entanglement and its Quantification

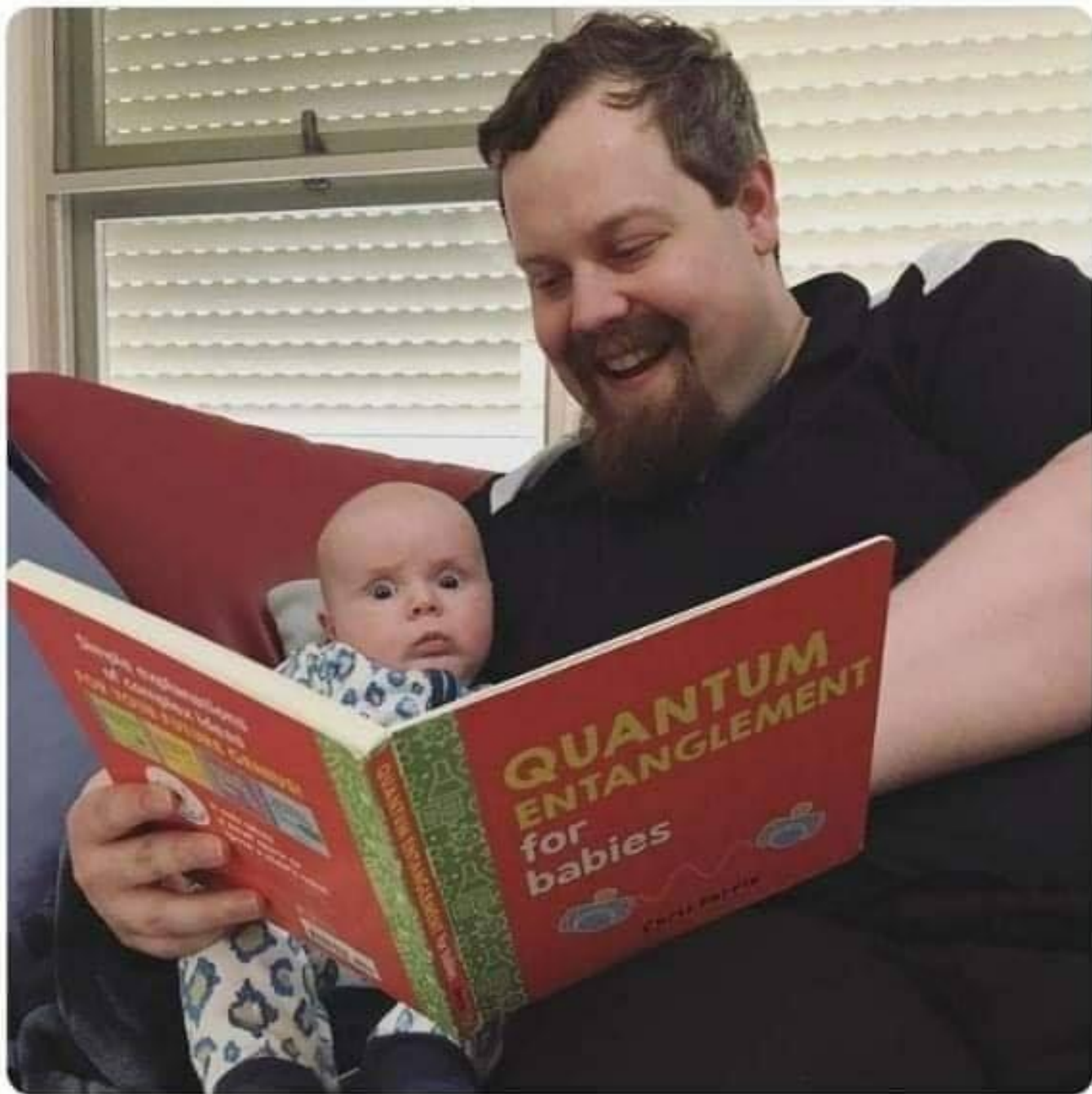
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Content of the talk (first part)

Basic concepts of quantum information

- Pure states
- Mixed states

Quantum operations

- LOCC

Pure state entanglement

- Von Neumann entropy

Basics of quantum mechanics/information

Pure States

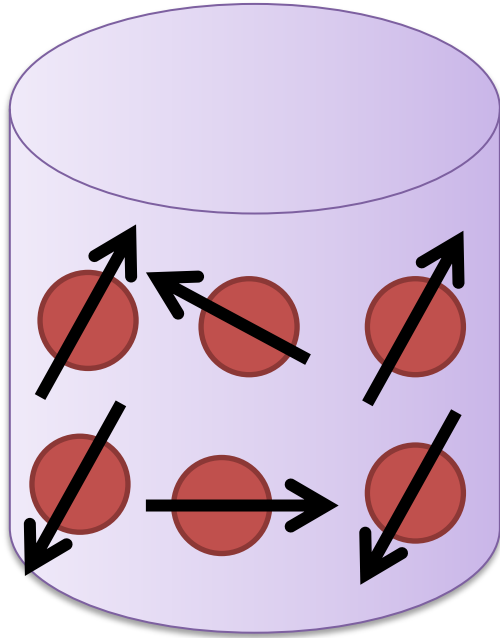
Systems that are **fully** explained by a **unique** wave function $|\psi\rangle$

Example 1: A qubit $|\psi\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$

Example 2: Bipartite systems

$$|\psi\rangle_{AB} = \frac{|00\rangle + |01\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} = |0\rangle_A \otimes \left(\frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}\right)_B$$

Mixed States



Ensemble of pure states:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} P_1 : |\psi_1\rangle \\ P_2 : |\psi_2\rangle \\ \vdots \\ P_n : |\psi_n\rangle \end{array} \right.$$

Density matrix for explaining the state of particles in the box:

$$\rho = \sum_i p_i |\psi_i\rangle \langle \psi_i|$$

Properties of the Density Matrix

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- 1. Hermiticity: $\rho = \rho^+$
 - 2. Trace one: $Tr(\rho) = 1$
 - 3. Positivity: $\rho \geq 0$

What positivity means: $\forall |\psi\rangle: \langle \psi | \rho | \psi \rangle \geq 0$

In particular for $|\psi\rangle = |\lambda_i\rangle: \rho |\lambda_i\rangle = \lambda_i |\lambda_i\rangle$
 $\langle \psi | \rho | \psi \rangle = \langle \lambda_i | \rho | \lambda_i \rangle = \lambda_i \geq 0$

All eigenvalues of a density matrix should be equal or greater than zero

Decomposition of the Density Matrix

Decomposition is not unique

$$\rho = \sum_i p_i |\psi_i\rangle\langle\psi_i| = \sum_j q_j |\phi_j\rangle\langle\phi_j|$$

Note that the set of quantum states in each decomposition are **not** necessarily orthogonal unless for the eigenvectors

Example:

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2} |0\rangle\langle 0| + \frac{1}{2} |1\rangle\langle 1| = \frac{1}{2} |+\rangle\langle +| + \frac{1}{2} |-\rangle\langle -|$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

where $|+\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{2}$ & $|-\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{2}$

Purity

$$\rho = \sum_i p_i |\psi_i\rangle\langle\psi_i| = \sum_j q_j |\lambda_j\rangle\langle\lambda_j|$$

$$\rho^2 = \sum_j q_j^2 |\lambda_j\rangle\langle\lambda_j| \quad \longrightarrow \quad \text{Tr}(\rho^2) = \sum_j q_j^2 \leq 1$$

Purity: $P = \text{Tr}(\rho^2)$ $\frac{1}{d} \leq P \leq 1$

Pure states: $\rho = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| \Rightarrow P = 1$

Maximally mixed state: $\rho = \frac{I}{d} \Rightarrow P = \frac{1}{d}$

Von Neumann Entropy

$$\rho = \sum_j \lambda_j \underbrace{|\lambda_j\rangle\langle\lambda_j|}_{\text{Eigenstates}} \quad \langle\lambda_i|\lambda_j\rangle = \delta_{ij}$$

Von Neumann Entropy: $S(\rho) = -\text{Tr}(\rho \log(\rho)) = -\sum_j \lambda_j \log(\lambda_j)$

Pure states: $\rho = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| \Rightarrow S(\rho) = 0$

Note that : $0 \log(0)=0$

Maximally mixed state: $\rho = \frac{I}{d} \Rightarrow S(\rho) = \log(d)$

Both purity and von Neumann entropy quantify the purity (or equivalently the mixedness) of the system

Evolution

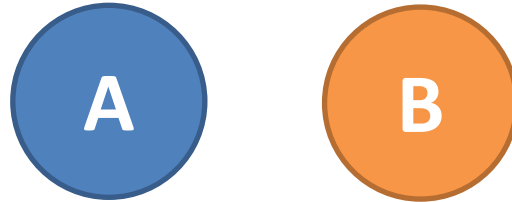
Closed systems: $\rho \rightarrow U\rho U^+, \quad UU^+ = U^+U = I$

Open systems: $\rho \rightarrow \sum_k L_k \rho L_k^+, \quad \sum_k L_k^+ L_k = I$

$\{L_k\}$ are called Kraus operators

Concept of entanglement (pure states)

Bipartite Systems



Separable pure states: $|\psi\rangle_{AB} = |\alpha\rangle_A \otimes |\beta\rangle_B$

$$|\psi\rangle_{AB} = \frac{|00\rangle + |01\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} = |0\rangle_A \otimes \left(\frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}\right)_B$$

Non-separable states are called entangled states

$$|\psi\rangle_{AB} \neq |\alpha\rangle_A \otimes |\beta\rangle_B$$
$$|\psi\rangle_{AB} = \frac{|00\rangle_{AB} + |11\rangle_{AB}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Schmidt Decomposition

The most general state: $|\psi\rangle_{AB} = \sum_{i,j} \alpha_{ij} |i_A, j_B\rangle$

$$\langle i_A | i'_A \rangle = \delta_{ii'}, \quad \langle j_B | j'_B \rangle = \delta_{jj'}$$

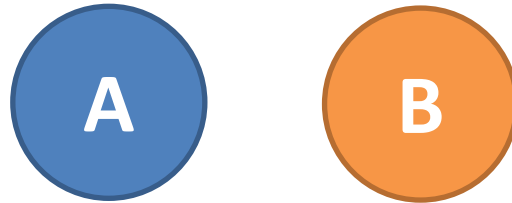
Schmidt basis:

$$|\psi\rangle_{AB} = \sum_{i,j} \alpha_{ij} |i_A, j_B\rangle_{AB} = \sum_i \lambda_i |\tilde{i}_A, \tilde{i}_B\rangle$$

Properties of Schmidt decomposition

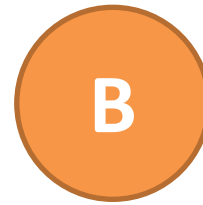
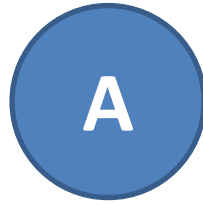
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \langle \tilde{i}_A | \tilde{i}'_A \rangle = \delta_{ii'}, \quad \langle \tilde{i}_B | \tilde{i}'_B \rangle = \delta_{ii'} \\ \lambda_i \text{'s are real and positive (Schmidt coefficients)} \end{array} \right.$$

State of the Subsystem



$$\rho_A = \text{Tr}_B(\rho_{AB}) = \sum_i \langle i_B | \rho_{AB} | i_B \rangle$$
$$\rho_B = \text{Tr}_A(\rho_{AB}) = \sum_i \langle i_A | \rho_{AB} | i_A \rangle$$

Von Neumann Entropy



Schmidt decomposition: $|\psi\rangle_{AB} = \sum_i \lambda_i |\tilde{i}_A, \tilde{i}_B\rangle$

$$\langle \tilde{i}_A | \tilde{i}_A' \rangle = \delta_{ii'}, \quad \langle \tilde{i}_B | \tilde{i}_B' \rangle = \delta_{ii'}$$

Subsystems:

$$\rho_B = \text{Tr}_A(|\psi_{AB}\rangle\langle\psi_{AB}|) = \sum_i \lambda_i^2 |\tilde{i}_B\rangle\langle\tilde{i}_B|$$
$$\rho_A = \text{Tr}_B(|\psi_{AB}\rangle\langle\psi_{AB}|) = \sum_i \lambda_i^2 |\tilde{i}_A\rangle\langle\tilde{i}_A|$$

If AB is pure: $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Purity: } P_A = P_B \\ \text{Von Neumann Entropy: } S(\rho_A) = S(\rho_B) \end{array} \right.$

Separable Pure States

Separable state: $|\psi\rangle_{AB} = |\alpha\rangle_A \otimes |\beta\rangle_B$

Subsystems: $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_A = |\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha| \\ \rho_B = |\beta\rangle\langle\beta| \end{array} \right. \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} P_A = P_B = 1 \\ S(\rho_A) = S(\rho_B) = 0 \end{array} \right.$

In separable pure states the subsystems are also pure

Entangled Pure States

Entangled states: $|\psi\rangle_{AB} \neq |\alpha\rangle_A \otimes |\beta\rangle_B$

Subsystems are not pure

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_A \neq |\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha| \\ \rho_B \neq |\beta\rangle\langle\beta| \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} P_A = P_B < 1 \\ S(\rho_A) = S(\rho_B) > 0 \end{array} \right.$$

Von-Neumann Entropy of the subsystem quantifies the entanglement

Example 1

Maximally entangled states:

$$|\psi\rangle_{AB} = \frac{|00\rangle_{AB} + |11\rangle_{AB}}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \rho_A = \frac{I}{2}, \quad \rho_B = \frac{I}{2}$$

$$\longrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} P_A = P_B = \frac{1}{2} \\ S(\rho_A) = S(\rho_B) = \log(2) = 1 \end{array} \right.$$

Maximally entangled
states

1. Subsystems are maximally mixed

2. The entropy of subsystems are maximal

3. The purity of the subsystems are minimal

Example 2

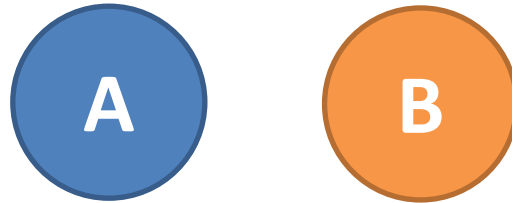
Non-maximal entangled states:

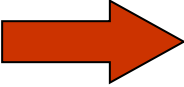
$$|\psi\rangle_{AB} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}|00\rangle_{AB} + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}|11\rangle_{AB} \longrightarrow \rho_A = \rho_B = \frac{1}{3}|0\rangle\langle 0| + \frac{2}{3}|1\rangle\langle 1|$$

$$\longrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} P_A = P_B = \frac{5}{9} \\ S(\rho_A) = S(\rho_B) = -\frac{1}{3}\log\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) - \frac{2}{3}\log\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \approx 0.9183 \end{array} \right.$$

Entropy of the subsystem can quantify the amount of entanglement

Entanglement of Pure States



Overall state: $|\psi\rangle_{AB}$  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_A = \text{Tr}_B(\rho_{AB}) \\ \rho_B = \text{Tr}_A(\rho_{AB}) \end{array} \right.$

Entanglement between the two subsystems: $E = S(\rho_A) = S(\rho_B)$

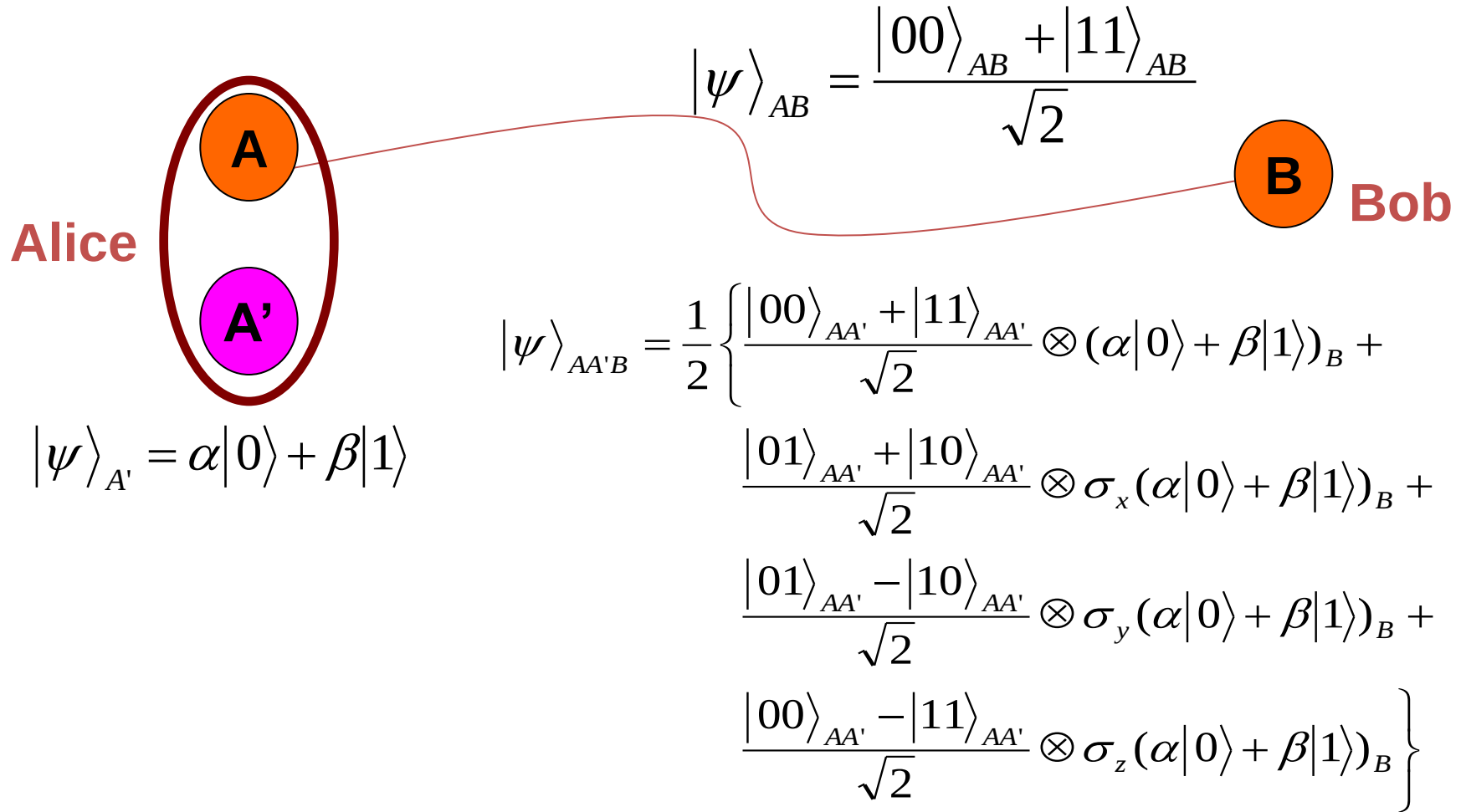
$$0 \leq E \leq \log(d)$$

Separable
states

Maximally entangled
states

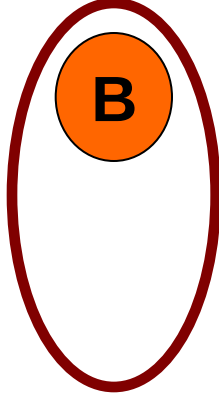
All entanglement measures are monotonic functions with respect to the von Neumann entropy

Application 1: Teleportation



With 2 classical bits of information Bob gets the exact state of Alice.

Application 2: Dense coding

Alice  $|\psi\rangle_{AB} = \frac{|00\rangle_{AB} + |11\rangle_{AB}}{\sqrt{2}}$  **Bob**

$I \otimes I |\psi\rangle_{AB} = \frac{|00\rangle_{AB} + |11\rangle_{AB}}{\sqrt{2}}$

$\sigma_x \otimes I |\psi\rangle_{AB} = \frac{|01\rangle_{AB} + |10\rangle_{AB}}{\sqrt{2}}$

$\sigma_y \otimes I |\psi\rangle_{AB} = \frac{|01\rangle_{AB} - |10\rangle_{AB}}{\sqrt{2}}$

$\sigma_z \otimes I |\psi\rangle_{AB} = \frac{|00\rangle_{AB} - |11\rangle_{AB}}{\sqrt{2}}$

A single physical 2-level object carries two classical bits of information

Content of the talk (second part)

Mixed state entanglement

- Operational measures:
 1. Entanglement cost
 2. Entanglement distillation

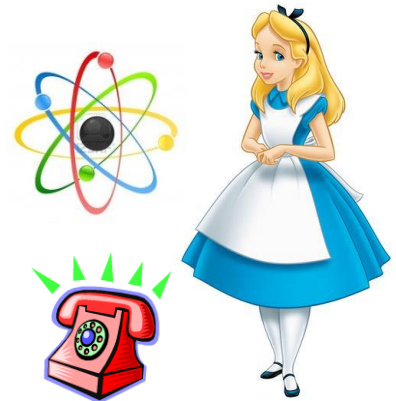
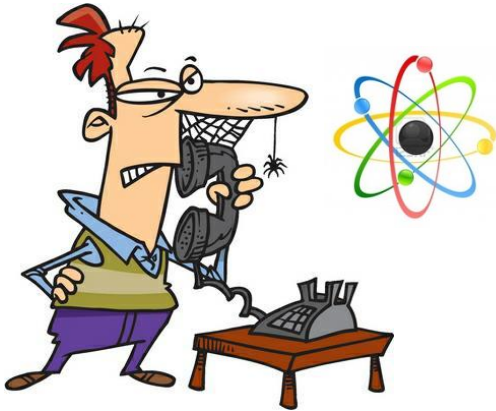
- Asymptotic measures:
 1. Distance measures
 2. Entanglement formation
 3. Negativity

Concept of entanglement (mixed states)

Separable Mixed States

Separable states: $\rho_{AB} = \sum_i p_i \rho_i^A \otimes \rho_i^B$

$$p_i \geq 0, \quad \sum_i p_i = 1$$



With local operations and classical communications
Alice and Bob can produce these kind of states

Examples for Separable States

$$\rho_{AB} = \sum_i p_i \rho_i^A \otimes \rho_i^B$$

Example 1 (Pure states):

$$|\psi\rangle_{AB} = |\alpha\rangle_A \otimes |\beta\rangle_B \quad \longrightarrow \quad \rho_{AB} = |\alpha_A\rangle\langle\alpha_A| \otimes |\beta_A\rangle\langle\beta_A|$$

Example 2: $\rho_{AB} = \frac{1}{3}|0\rangle\langle 0| \otimes |+\rangle\langle +| + \frac{2}{3}|-\rangle\langle -| \otimes |1\rangle\langle 1|$

Example 3: $\rho_{AB} = \frac{1}{6}I \otimes |0\rangle\langle 0| + \frac{2}{6}|+\rangle\langle +| \otimes (I + \sigma_z)$

Entropy of the subsystem

Separable states: $\rho_{AB} = \sum_i p_i \rho_i^A \otimes \rho_i^B$

Subsystems: $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_B = \text{Tr}_A(\rho_{AB}) = \sum_i p_i \rho_i^B \\ \rho_A = \text{Tr}_B(\rho_{AB}) = \sum_i p_i \rho_i^A \end{array} \right.$

System is not entangled but: $S(\rho_A)$ or $S(\rho_B) > 0$ 

Von Neumann entropy does not quantify the entanglement anymore
as it originates from the initial entropy of the whole system

Examples

Example 1 (Pure states):

$$\rho_{AB} = |\alpha_A\rangle\langle\alpha_A| \otimes |\beta_A\rangle\langle\beta_A| \longrightarrow S(\rho_A) = S(\rho_B) = 0$$

Example 2:
$$\rho_{AB} = \frac{1}{6} I \otimes |0\rangle\langle 0| + \frac{2}{3} |+\rangle\langle +| \otimes |1\rangle\langle 1|$$

Subsystems:
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_A = \frac{1}{6} I + \frac{2}{3} |+\rangle\langle +| \\ \rho_B = \frac{1}{3} |0\rangle\langle 0| + \frac{2}{3} |1\rangle\langle 1| \end{array} \right. \longrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} S(\rho_A) = 0.6500 \\ S(\rho_B) = 0.9183 \end{array} \right.$$

$$S(\rho_A) \neq S(\rho_B)$$

Entanglement of Mixed States

Entangled states: $\rho_{AB} \neq \sum_i p_i \rho_i^A \otimes \rho_i^B$

How to quantify entanglement for a general mixed state?

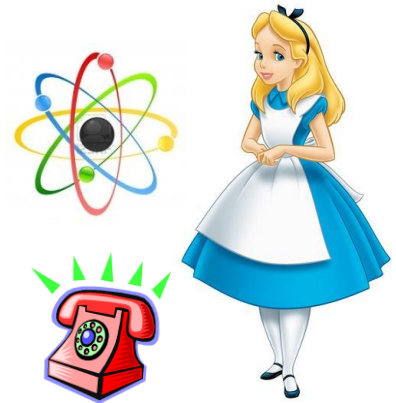
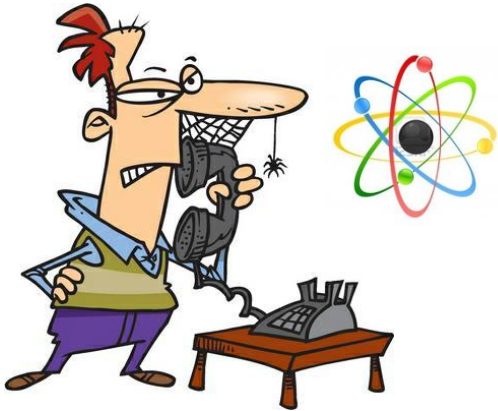


There is not a unique entanglement measure

Classical actions:

**Local Operations and Classical
Communications
(LOCC)**

LOCC Maps



Local Operations and Classical Communication (LOCC)

1. Unitary evolution
2. Measurement

Informing the other party about the outcomes of measurements

LOCC Kraus Operators

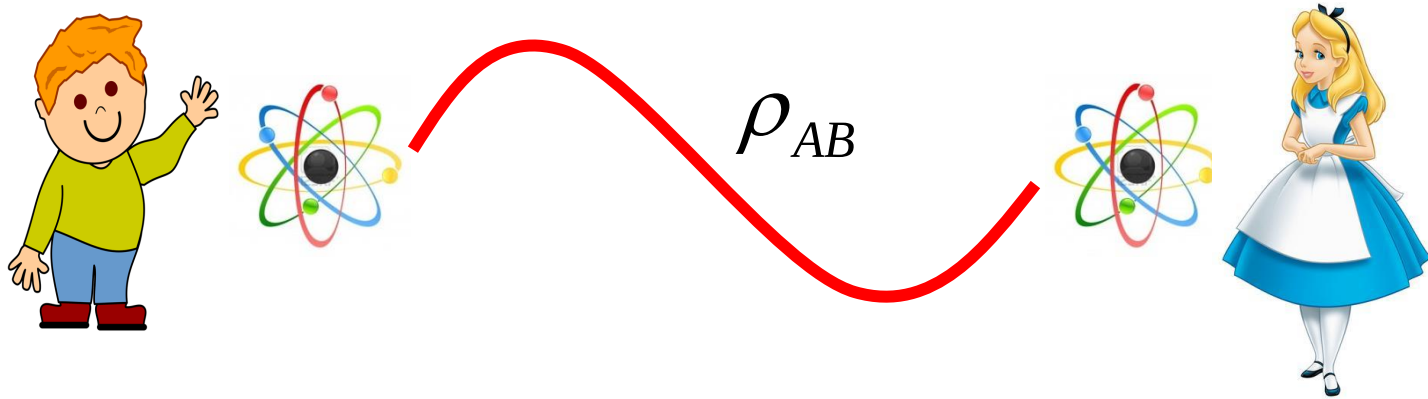
General quantum operation: $\rho \rightarrow \sum_k L_k \rho L_k^\dagger, \quad \sum_k L_k^\dagger L_k = I$

LOCC Kraus operators: $L_K = A_K \otimes B_K$

$$\rho_{AB}^{final} = \sum_k A_k \otimes B_k \rho_{AB}^{init} A_k^\dagger \otimes B_k^\dagger, \quad \sum_k A_k^\dagger A_k \otimes B_k^\dagger B_k = I$$

Trace preserving is equivalent to conservation of probabilities

Basic Properties for Entanglement Measures



1

$$E(\rho_{AB}) \in R^+$$

2

$$\rho_{AB} = \sum_i p_i \rho_i^A \otimes \rho_i^B \longrightarrow E(\rho_{AB}) = 0$$

3

$$|\psi_{AB}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_i |i_A, i_B\rangle \longrightarrow E(\rho_{AB}) \text{ is maximum}$$

4

$$\sigma_{AB} = \sum_k A_k \otimes B_k \rho_{AB} A_k^\dagger \otimes B_k^\dagger \longrightarrow E(\rho_{AB}) \geq E(\sigma_{AB})$$

Extra Properties

5 Convexity:
$$E\left(\sum_i p_i \rho_i^{AB}\right) \leq \sum_i p_i E(\rho_i^{AB})$$

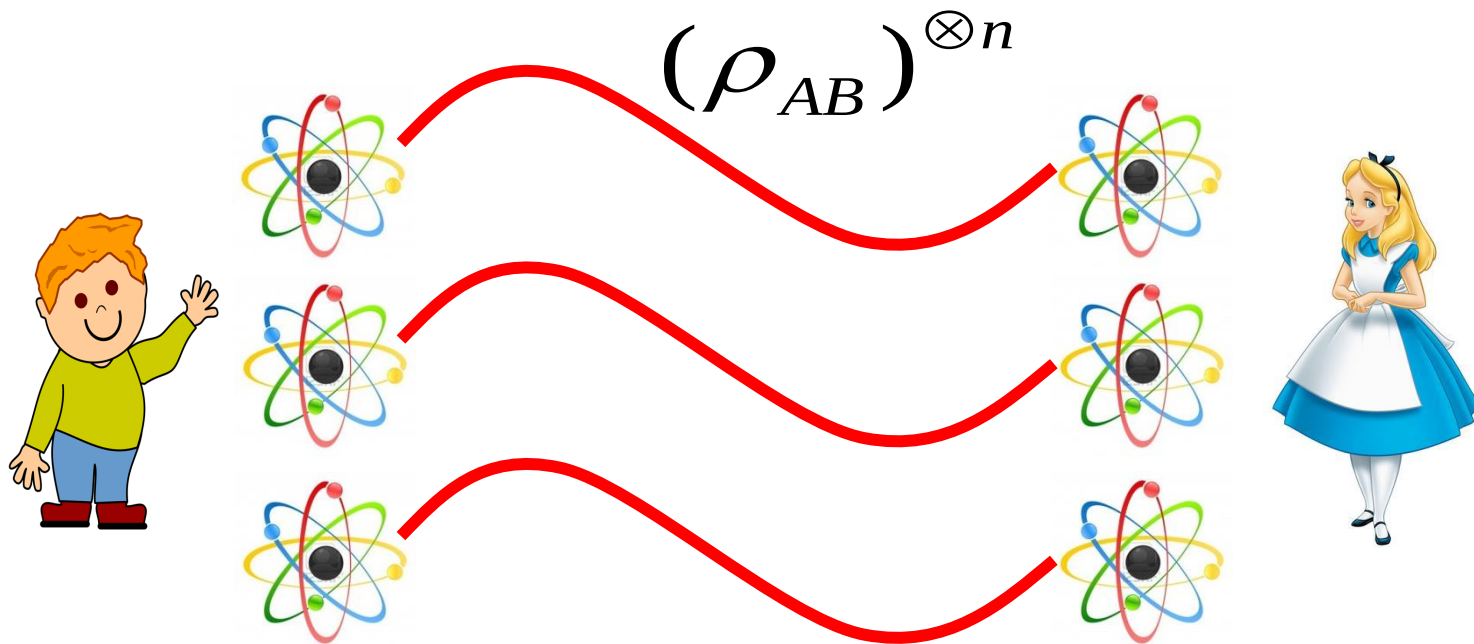
Example:
$$|\psi_1\rangle_{AB} = \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad |\psi_2\rangle_{AB} = \frac{|00\rangle - |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$
$$\rho_{AB} = \frac{1}{2}|\psi_1\rangle\langle\psi_1| + \frac{1}{2}|\psi_2\rangle\langle\psi_2| = \frac{1}{2}|00\rangle\langle 00| + \frac{1}{2}|11\rangle\langle 11|$$

Extra Properties

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Additivity: $E(\rho^{\otimes n}) = nE(\rho)$

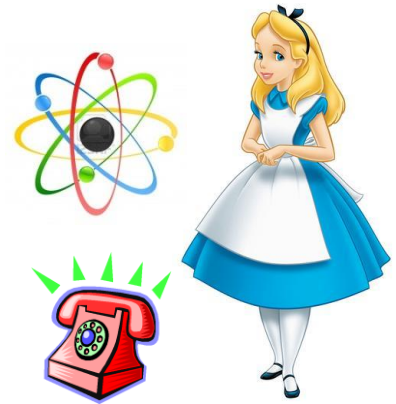
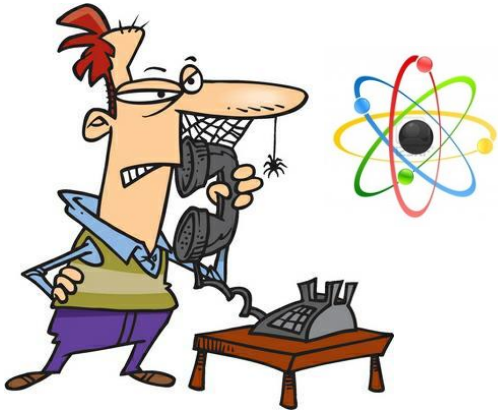
Asymptotic additivity: $E(\rho) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{E(\rho^{\otimes n})}{n}$



Asymptotic additivity is weaker than additivity

Operational measures

Operational Measures



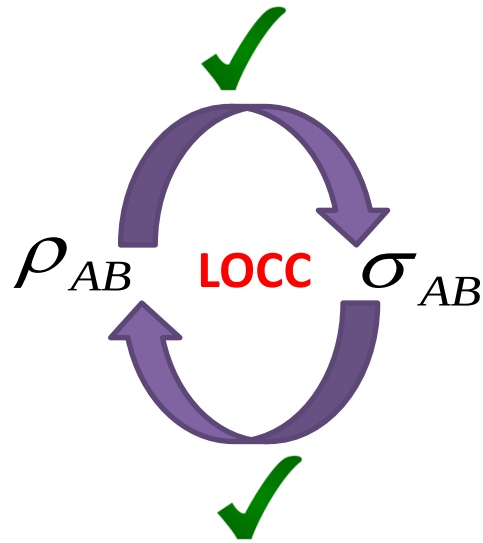
Any arbitrary state can be made from maximally entangled states by using LOCC operations

$$\text{If } \exists \text{ LOCC } \xi : \sigma_{AB} = \xi(\rho_{AB}) \Rightarrow E(\sigma_{AB}) \leq E(\rho_{AB})$$

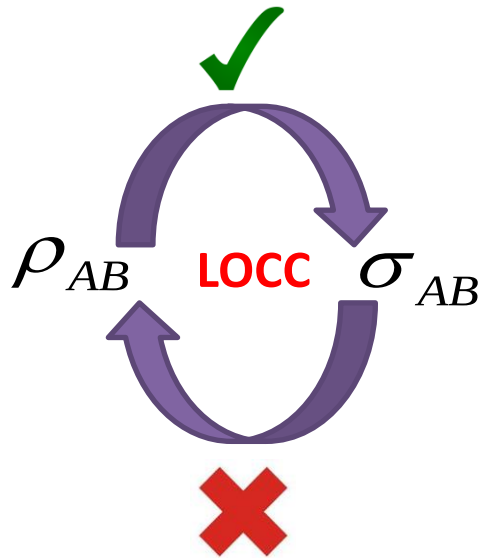


Maximally entangled

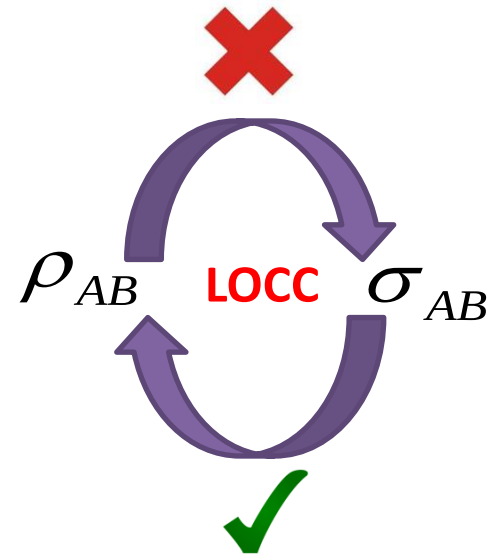
Ordering the Quantum States (Single Copy)



$$E(\rho_{AB}) = E(\sigma_{AB})$$

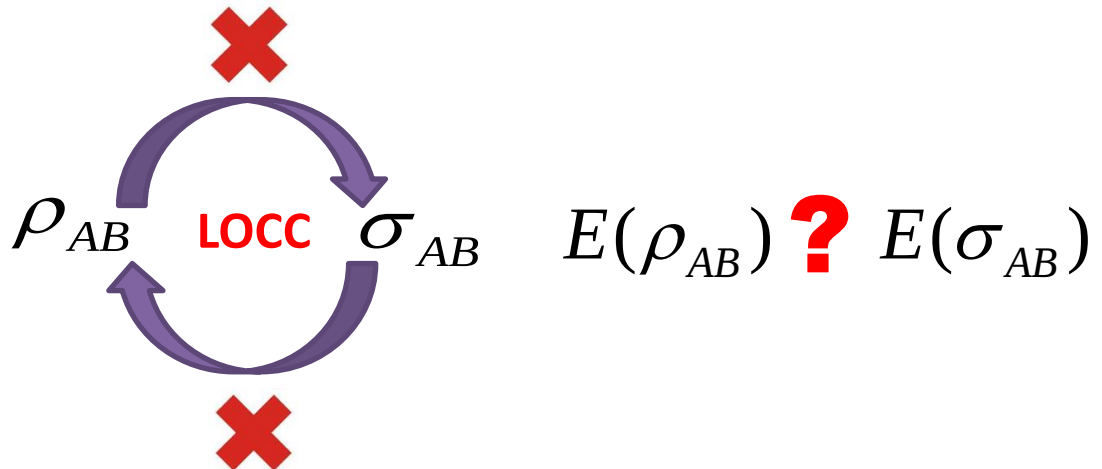


$$E(\rho_{AB}) > E(\sigma_{AB})$$

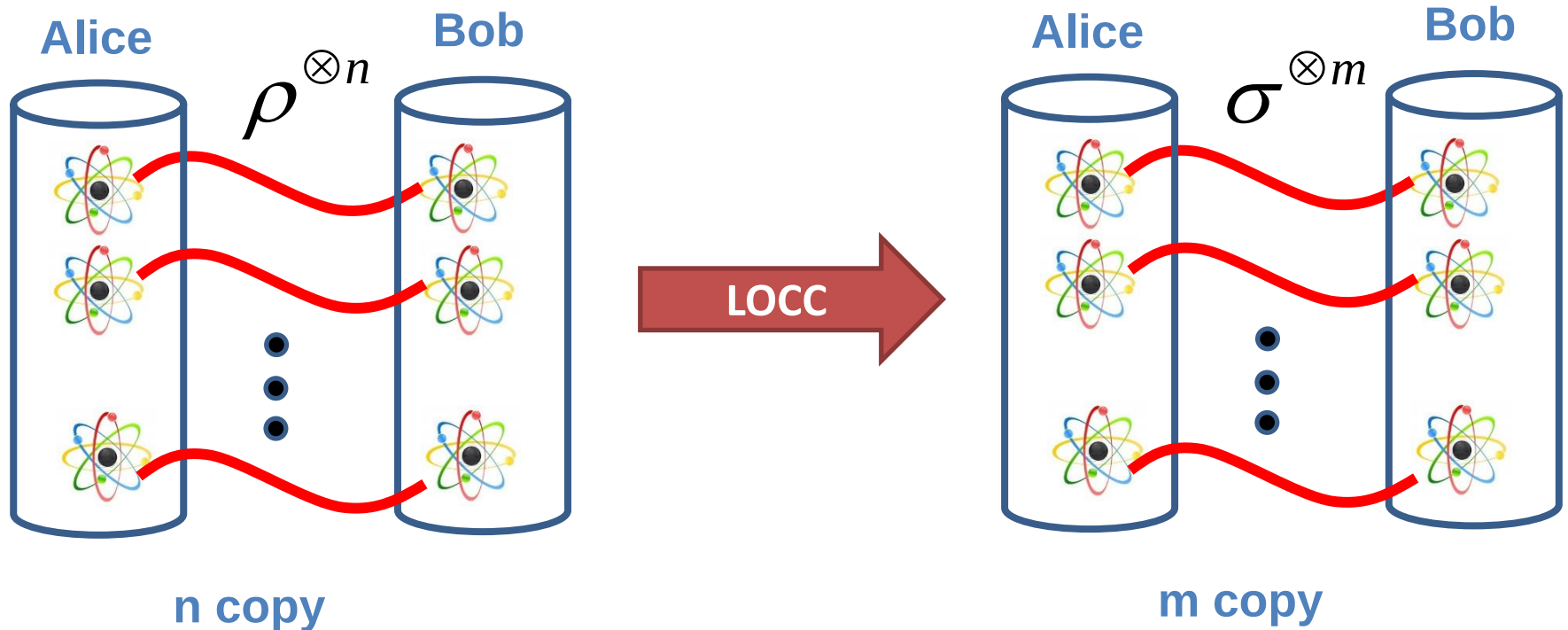


$$E(\rho_{AB}) < E(\sigma_{AB})$$

Are LOCC maps enough for giving order to quantum states? **NO !!**



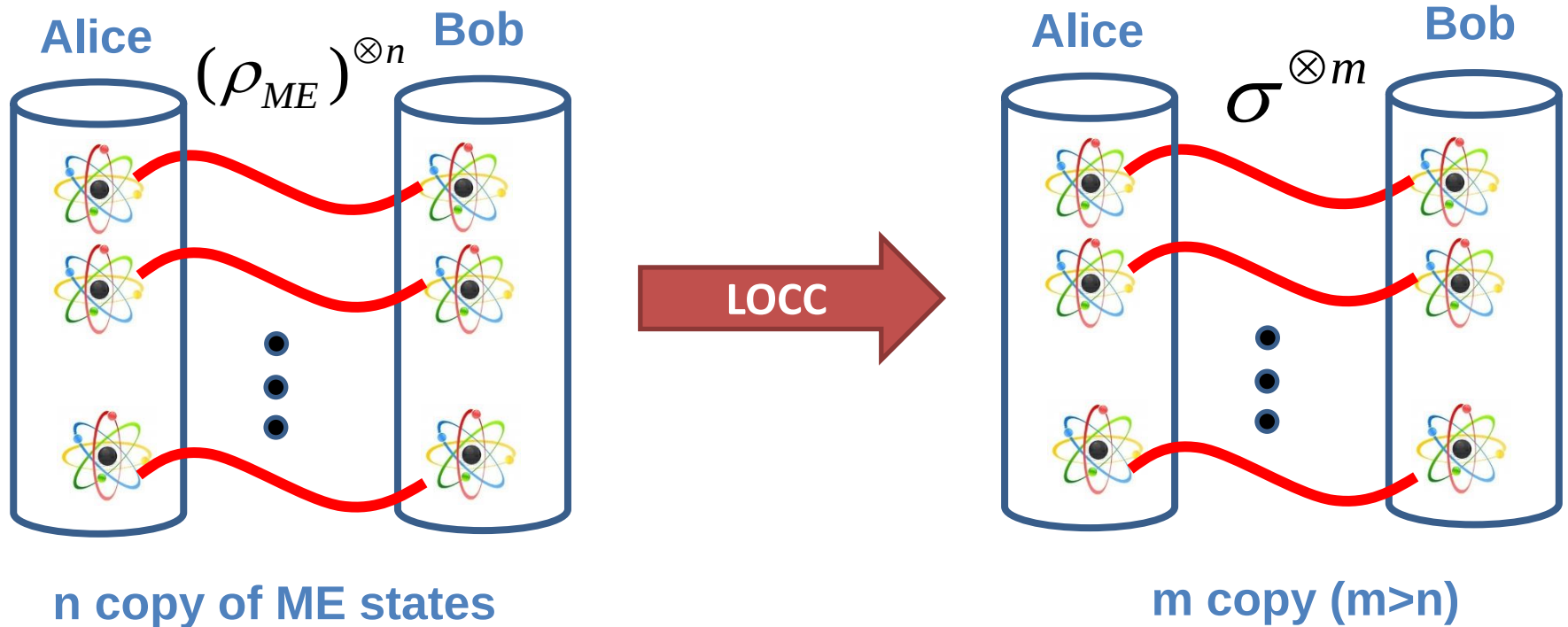
Asymptotic Approach



Having many copies allows for more complex operations

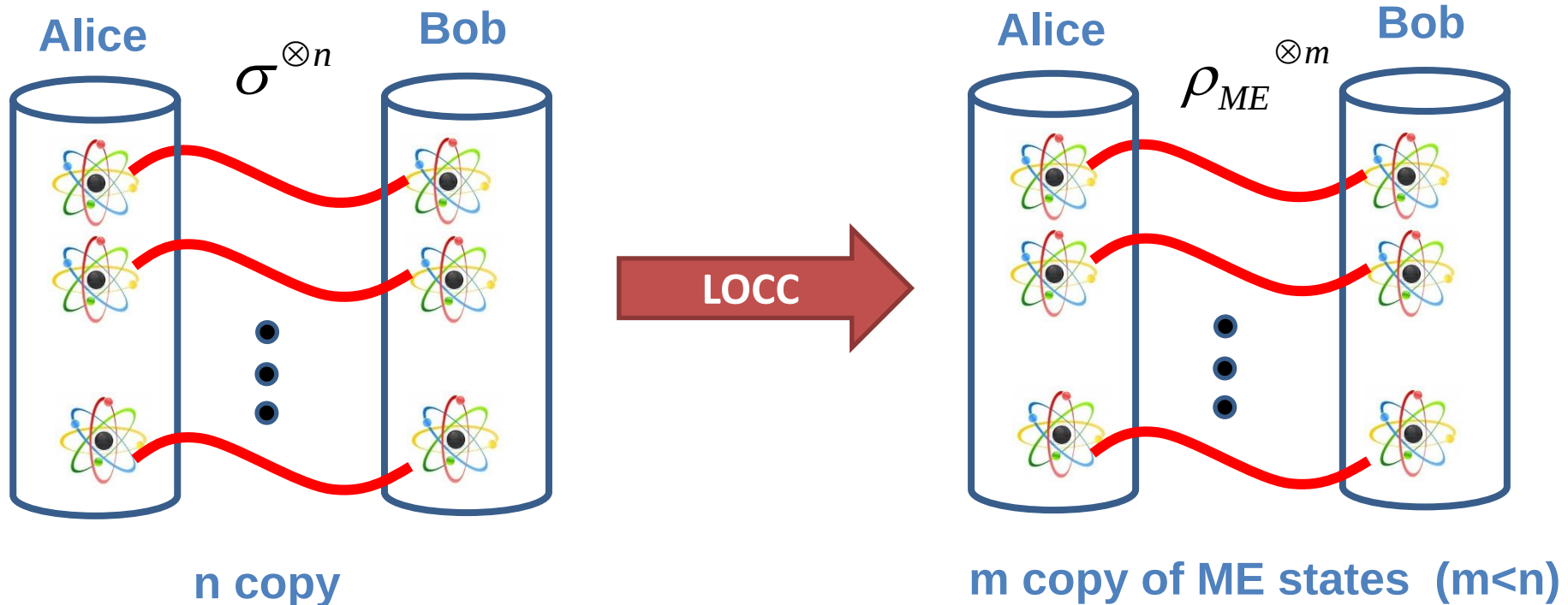
$$\frac{E(\rho_{AB})}{E(\sigma_{AB})} = \sup_{LOCC} \left\{ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{m}{n} \right\}$$

Entanglement Cost



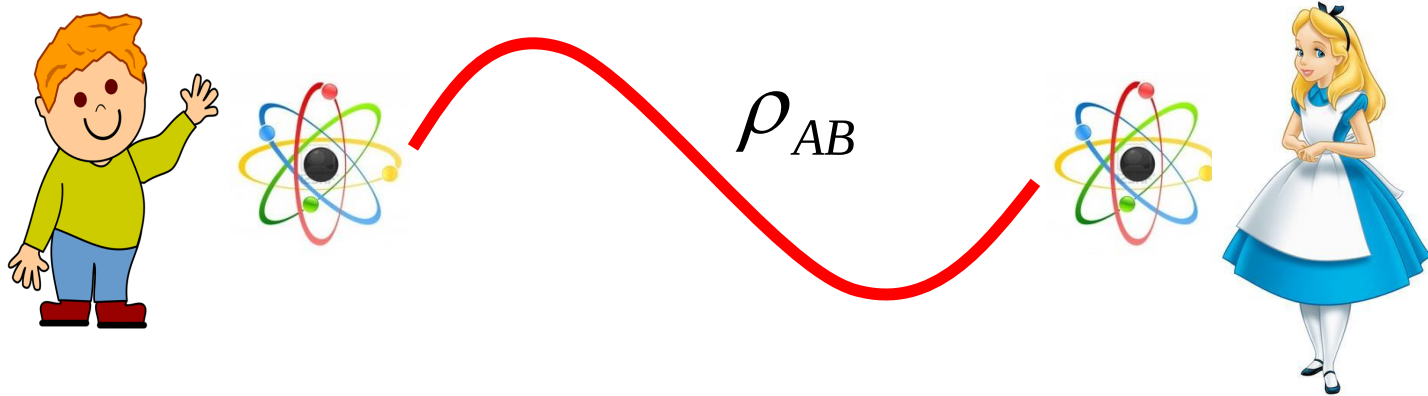
$$E_C(\sigma) = \sup_{LOCC} \left\{ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{m} \right\}$$

Entanglement Distillation (Concentration)



$$E_D(\sigma) = \sup_{LOCC} \left\{ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{m}{n} \right\}$$

Non-Distillable Entanglement



Non-distillable or bound entanglement:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho \neq \sum_i p_i \rho_i^A \otimes \rho_i^B \\ E_C(\rho) > 0 \\ E_D(\rho) = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

Bound entanglement (or PPT states) cannot be used
for teleportation or dense coding

Entanglement Cost vs. Entanglement Distillation

For pure states:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Tr}(\rho_{AB}^2) = 1 \\ E_C(\rho_{AB}) = E_D(\rho_{AB}) = S(\rho_A) = S(\rho_B) \end{array} \right.$$

C. H. Bennett, H. Bernstein, S. Popescu and B. Schumacher, Phys. Rev. A 53, 2046 (1996).

That is why von Neumann entropy of the subsystem is considered as the unique measure of entanglement for pure states

Entanglement Cost vs. Entanglement Distillation

For an **arbitrary entanglement measure L** which is asymptotically additive we have:

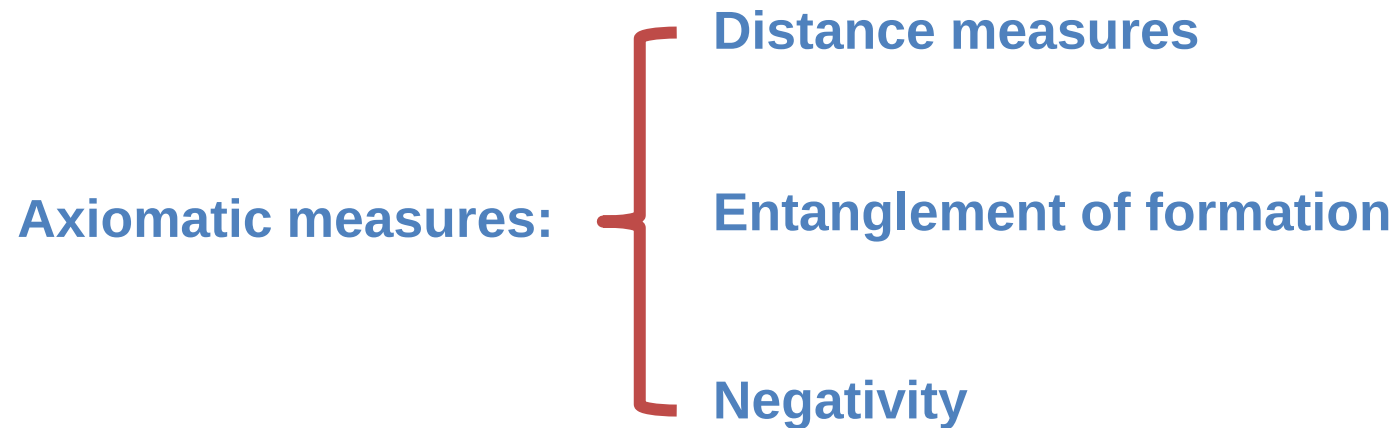
$$E_C(\rho_{AB}) \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{L(\rho_{AB}^{\otimes n})}{n} \geq E_D(\rho_{AB})$$

M.J. Donald, M. Horodecki, and O. Rudolph, J. Math. Phys. 43, 4252 (2002).

Entanglement cost and entanglement distillations are extremal measures.

Asymptotic measures

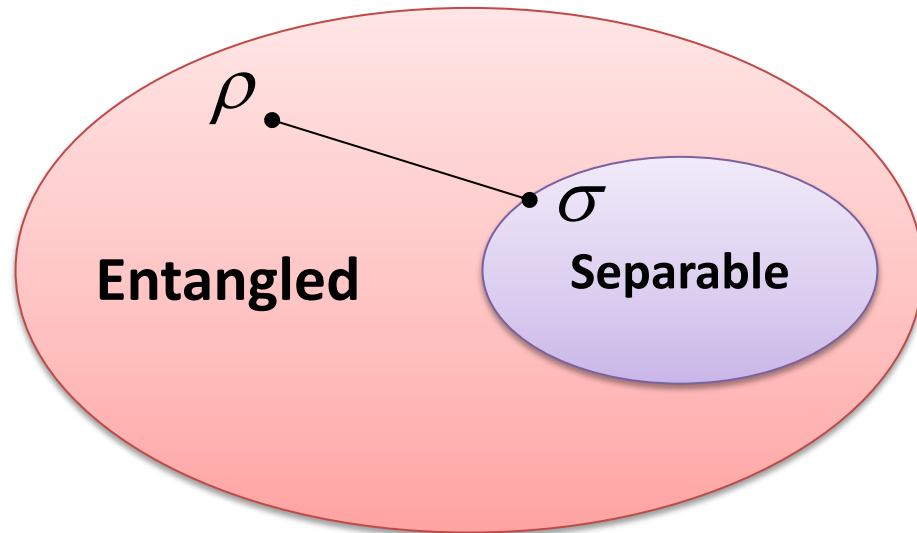
Axiomatic Measures



Distance Based Measures

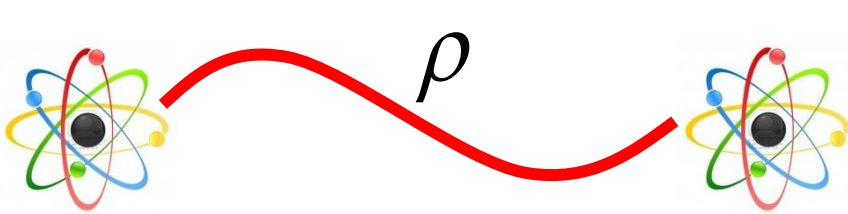
$$E(\rho) = \inf_{\sigma \in SEP} D(\rho, \sigma)$$

The set of all states



D is a distance function and can be considered as relative entropy or trace norm distance.

Entanglement of Formation



$$\rho = \sum_i p_i |\psi_i\rangle\langle\psi_i|$$

Pure state

Is it possible to quantify entanglement as: $E(\rho) = \sum_i p_i E(|\psi_i\rangle\langle\psi_i|)$

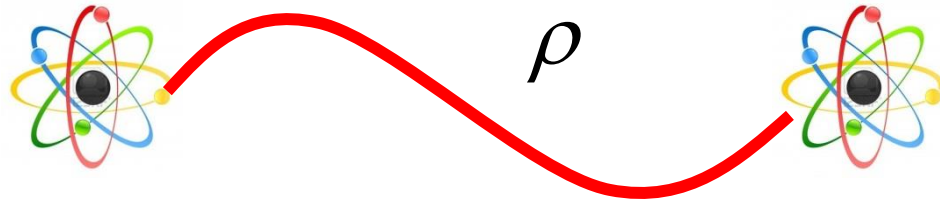
No! Because decomposition of a density matrix is not unique

Example: $|\psi_1\rangle_{AB} = \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad |\psi_2\rangle_{AB} = \frac{|00\rangle - |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$\rho_{AB} = \frac{1}{2} |\psi_1\rangle\langle\psi_1| + \frac{1}{2} |\psi_2\rangle\langle\psi_2| = \frac{1}{2} |00\rangle\langle 00| + \frac{1}{2} |11\rangle\langle 11|$$

$$E(|\psi_1\rangle) = 1 \quad E(|\psi_2\rangle) = 1 \quad E(|00\rangle) = 0 \quad E(|11\rangle) = 0$$

Entanglement of Formation



There are infinite decompositions:

$$\rho = \sum_i p_i |\psi_i\rangle\langle\psi_i|$$

$$E_F(\rho) = \inf_{\{p_i, |\psi_i\rangle\}} \left\{ \sum_i p_i E(|\psi_i\rangle\langle\psi_i|) : \rho = \sum_i p_i |\psi_i\rangle\langle\psi_i| \right\}$$

Concurrence

Entanglement of formation has been computed for two qubits:

$$E(\rho) = -\frac{1+\sqrt{1-C^2}}{2} \log\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{1-C^2}}{2}\right) - \frac{1-\sqrt{1-C^2}}{2} \log\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{1-C^2}}{2}\right)$$

C is called concurrence and can be computed as:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\rho} &= (\sigma_y \otimes \sigma_y) \rho^* (\sigma_y \otimes \sigma_y) \quad \longrightarrow \quad R = \sqrt{\sqrt{\rho} \tilde{\rho} \sqrt{\rho}} \quad \longrightarrow \\ \{\lambda_i : \text{for } i > j : \lambda_j > \lambda_i\} &\quad \longrightarrow \quad C(\rho) = \max\{0, \lambda_1 - \lambda_2 - \lambda_3 - \lambda_4\} \end{aligned}$$

C is a monotonic function of C and thus usually concurrence is also used as an entanglement measure

W. K. Wootters, Phys. Rev. Lett. 80, 2245 (1998)

Asymptotic Definition

$$E_F^\infty(\rho) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{E_F(\rho^{\otimes n})}{n} = E_C(\rho)$$

P. Hayden, M. Horodecki, and B.M. Terhal, J. Phys. A 34, 6891 (2001).

Entanglement of formation is **not** additive and thus:

$$E_F(\rho) \neq E_F^\infty(\rho)$$

M. B. Hastings, Nature Physics 5, 255 (2009)

Transpose of a Density Matrix

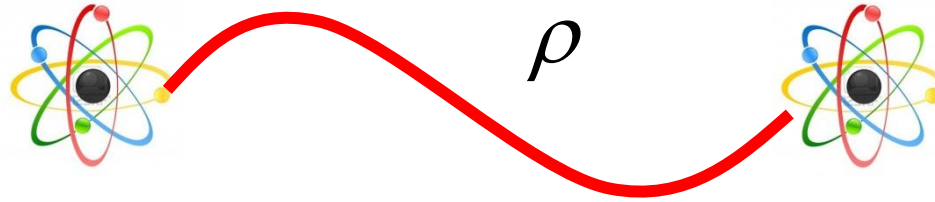
Density matrix: $\rho = \sum_{i,j} \rho_{i,j} |i\rangle\langle j|$ $\longrightarrow$ $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho = \rho^+ \\ \text{Tr}(\rho) = 1 \\ \rho \geq 0 \end{array} \right.$

The transpose of the density matrix is also a valid density matrix:

$$\rho^t = \sum_{i,j} \rho_{i,j} |j\rangle\langle i| \longrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \rho^t = (\rho^t)^+ & \checkmark \\ \text{Tr}(\rho^t) = 1 & \checkmark \\ \rho^t \geq 0 & \checkmark \end{array} \right.$$

Partial Transpose of a Density Matrix

Bipartite System:



Density matrix:
$$\rho = \sum_{i,j} \rho_{ij,kl} |i_A\rangle\langle k_A| \otimes |j_B\rangle\langle l_B|$$

The partial transpose of the density matrix is defined as:

$$\begin{aligned}\rho^{T_A} &= \sum_{i,j} \rho_{ij,kl} |k_A\rangle\langle i_A| \otimes |j_B\rangle\langle l_B| \\ \rho^{T_B} &= \sum_{i,j} \rho_{ij,kl} |i_A\rangle\langle k_A| \otimes |l_B\rangle\langle j_B|\end{aligned}$$

Properties:
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \rho^{T_A} = (\rho^{T_A})^+ & \checkmark \\ \text{Tr}(\rho^{T_A}) = 1 & \checkmark \\ \rho^{T_A} \geq 0 & \times \end{array} \right.$$

Negativity

Separable:

$$\rho = \sum_i p_i \rho_i^A \otimes \rho_i^B \longrightarrow \rho^{T_A} = \sum_i p_i \boxed{(\rho_i^A)^t} \otimes \boxed{\rho_i^B} \longrightarrow \rho^{T_A} \geq 0 \checkmark$$

Valid density matrix

Entangled: $\rho^{T_A} |\lambda\rangle = \lambda |\lambda\rangle \quad (\lambda < 0)$

Negativity: $N(\rho) = 2 \sum_{\lambda < 0} |\lambda|, \quad \rho^{T_A} |\lambda\rangle = \lambda |\lambda\rangle$

PPT States

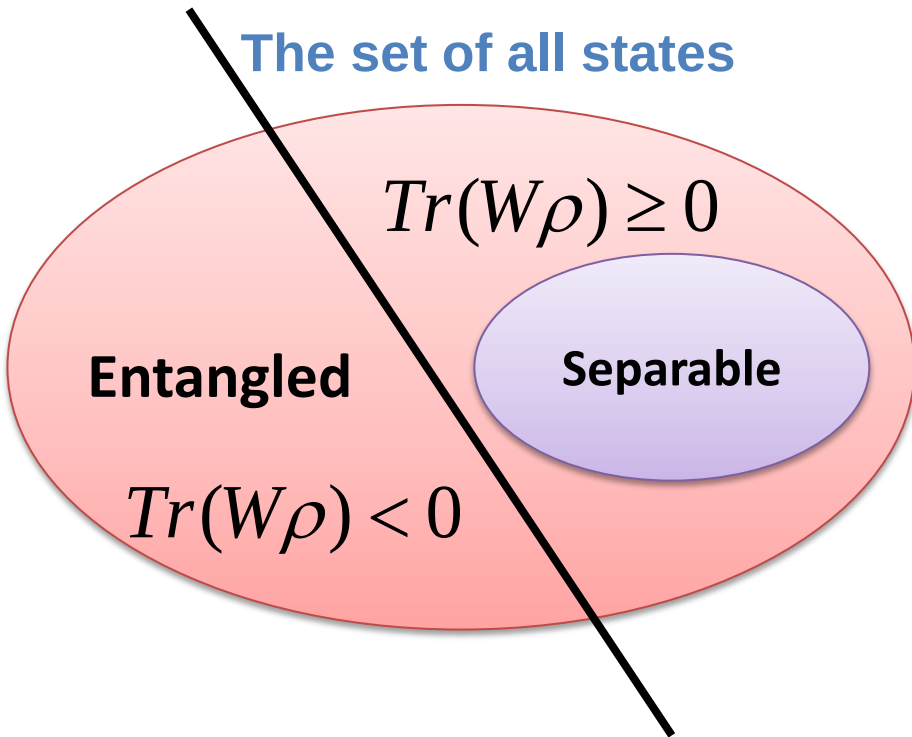
$$\rho \neq \sum_i p_i \rho_i^A \otimes \rho_i^B, \quad \rho^{T_A} \geq 0$$

Non-distillable entangled states

Entanglement Witness

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The set of all states



A Hermitian operator W is entanglement witness if:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \forall \rho \in SEP : Tr(W\rho) \geq 0 \\ \& \\ \exists \rho \notin SEP : Tr(W\rho) < 0 \end{array} \right.$$

Example: CHSH Bell inequality is a well known entanglement witness

Summary

Pure states: von Neumann entropy

Mixed states: There is not a unique measure

- Entanglement cost (upper bound)
- Entanglement distillation (lower bound)
- Entanglement of formation (for qubits concurrence)
- Distance entanglement
- Negativity (easily computable)

Except negativity the rest of measures are often notoriously difficult to compute

Good Reviews

- 1- An introduction to entanglement measures
M. B. Plenio, S. Virmani
Quantum Information and Computation Vol:7, 1-51, 2007

- 2- Entanglement measures
M. Horodecki
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