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Quantifying EPR: the resource theory of nonclassicality of common-cause assemblages

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Einstein-Podolsky-Rosen (EPR) - a.k.a. steering



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If $\sigma_{a|x}^{B}$ does not admit of such classical model, then it is EPR non-classical

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Generalised EPR scenarios

Bob-with-Input: States $\sigma_{a|xv}$



Measurement-Device-Independent: POVM elements $M_{ab|x}$



Assemblage: $\{\sigma_{a|xy}\}_{a,x,y}$, $\{\sigma_{a_1a_2|x_1x_2y}\}_{a_1,a_2,x_1,x_2,y}$, $\{M_{ab|x}\}_{a,b,x}$, $\{\mathcal{I}_{a|x}\}_{a,x}$

Multipartite Bob-with-Input: States $\sigma_{a_1a_2|x_1x_2y}$



Channel 'steering': Quantum channels $\mathcal{I}_{a|x}$



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 see Paulo Cavalcanti's talk
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$$(8)$$

When the conversion is not possible, we denote it by $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbb{A}|\mathbb{X}} \xrightarrow{LOSR} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}'_{\mathbb{A}'|\mathbb{X}'}.$

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$$find \quad \{(J_{\xi\lambda})_{B_{in}B'_{in'}B_{out}B'_{out'}}\}_{\lambda}, \ \{(J_{F\lambda})_{B_{in}B'_{in'}}\}_{\lambda}$$

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J'_{a'|x'} = \sum_{\lambda} \sum_{\alpha,x} D(a'|a,x',\lambda) D(x|x',\lambda) J_{a|x} * J_{\xi\lambda}.
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(9)

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• Result 2 [traditional scenarios – quantum RT]: The pre-order of assemblages contains an infinite number of incomparable assemblages.

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