

# Reliability Functions of Quantum Information Decoupling and Channel Simulation

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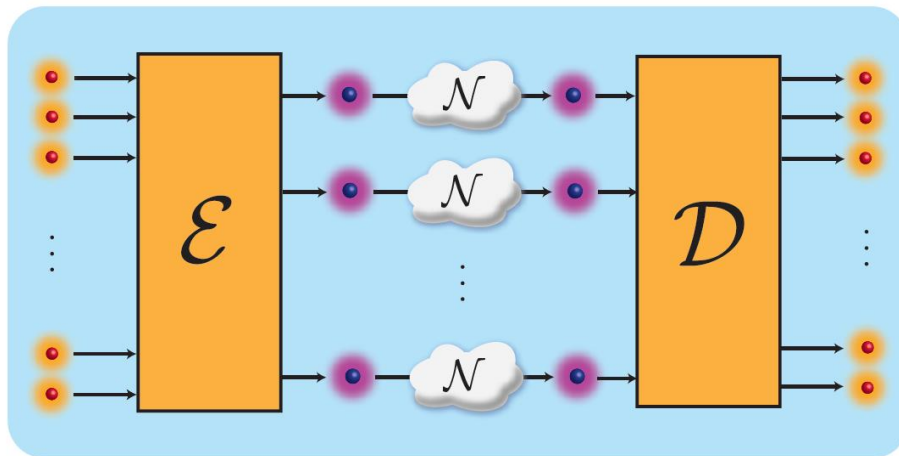


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# Reliability Function

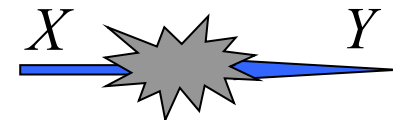
Shannon's Second Theorem:



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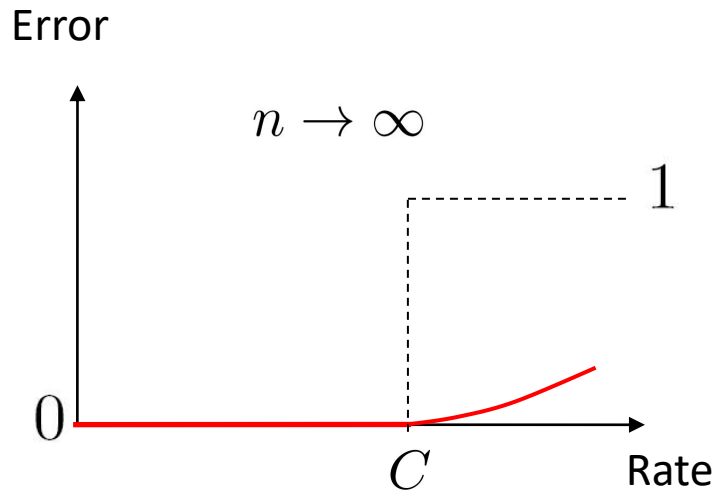
$$C = \max_x I(X : Y),$$

$$I(X : Y) = H(X) + H(Y) - H(XY)$$

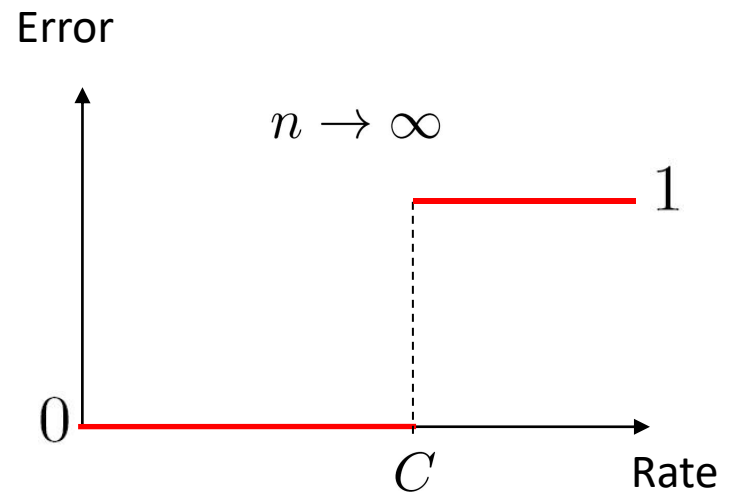


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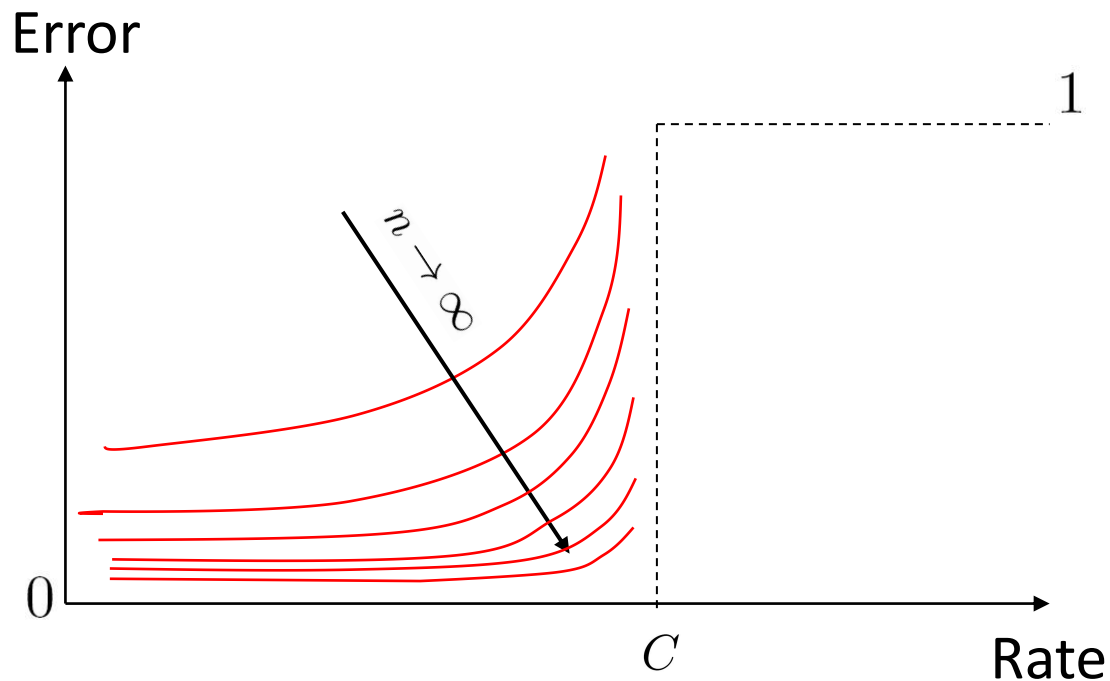


Strong Converse Theorem



# Reliability Function

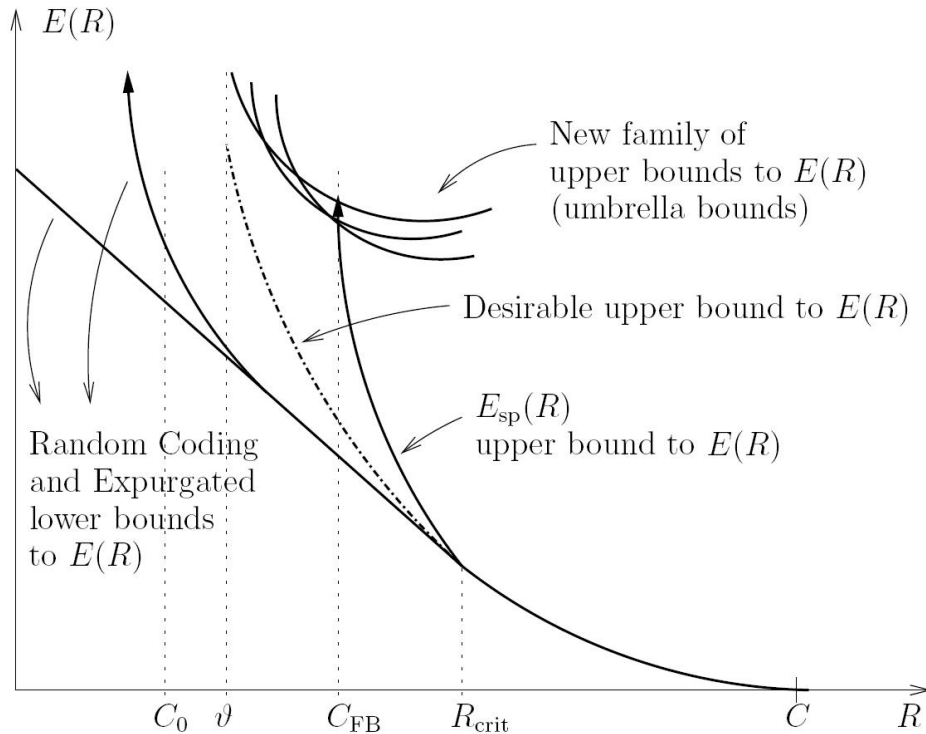
Reliability function of a channel:



$$E(R) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf \frac{1}{n} \log P_e(2^{nR}, n), \quad 0 < R < C.$$

# Reliability Function

## Reliability function of a classical channel:



Random coding lower bound  
[Fano'61, Gallager'65]:

$$E_r(R) = \max_{0 \leq \rho \leq 1} [E_0(\rho) - \rho R]$$

Sphere packing upper bound  
[Shannon-Gallager-Berlekamp'67]:

$$E_{sp}(R) = \sup_{\rho \geq 0} [E_0(\rho) - \rho R]$$

Where

$$E_0(\rho) = \max_P -\log \sum_y \left( \sum_x P(x) W_x(y)^{1/(1+\rho)} \right)^{1+\rho}$$

Figure drawn from:

Marco Dalai, IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory, 2013.

# Reliability Function

Reliability functions of quantum information tasks?

No much is known!

For partial results, see:

- ◆ Holevo, IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory, 2000.
- ◆ Dalai, IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory, 2013.
- ◆ Dalai, Winter, IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory, 2017.
- ◆ Cheng, Hsieh, Tomamichel, IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory, 2019.
- ◆ Cheng, Hanson, Datta, Hsieh, IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory, 2020.

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# Quantum entropies and information divergences

Quantum state: positive semidefinite operator with trace 1

von Neumann entropy:  $H(A)_\rho := -\text{Tr}(\rho \log \rho)$

Conditional entropy:  $H(A|B)_\rho := H(AB)_\rho - H(A)_\rho$

Mutual information:  $I(A:B)_\rho := H(A)_\rho - H(AB)_\rho + H(B)_\rho$

Umegaki relative entropy:  $D(\rho||\sigma) := \text{Tr}[\rho(\log \rho - \log \sigma)]$

Rényi information divergence: 
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Muller-Lennert, Dupuis, Szehr, Fehr, Tomamichel. JMP, 2013.

Wilde, Winter, Yang. CMP, 2014.

# Quantum entropies and information divergences

Sandwiched Rényi Divergence

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Sandwiched Rényi  
Mutual Information

$$I_\alpha(A: B)_\rho := \min_{\sigma_B} D_\alpha(\rho_{AB} || \rho_A \otimes \sigma_B)$$



Sandwiched Rényi  
Mutual Information of  
a Quantum Channel

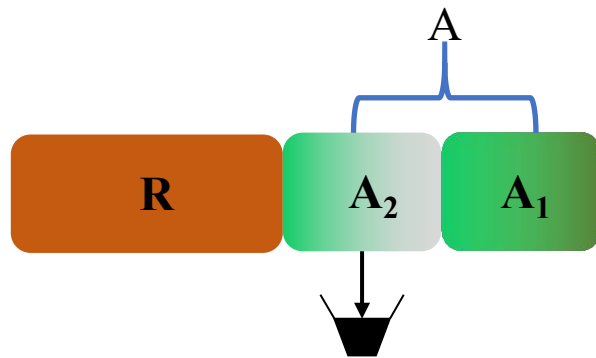
$$I_\alpha(\mathcal{N}_{A \rightarrow B}) := \max_{\varphi_{RA}} I_\alpha(R: B)_{id_R \otimes \mathcal{N}(\varphi_{RA})}$$

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# Quantum information decoupling

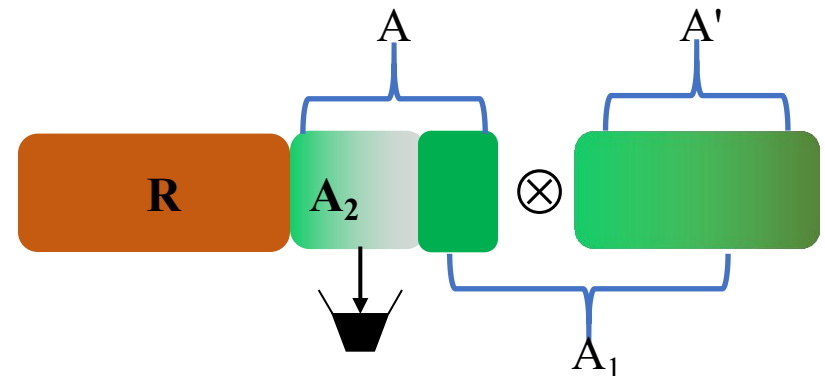
## Decoupling



$$\text{Tr}_{A_2}(U_{AP_{RA}}U_A^*)$$



## Catalytic Decoupling



$$\text{Tr}_{A_2}(U_{AA'}(\rho_{RA} \otimes \rho_{A'})U_{AA'}^*)$$



Horodecki, Oppenheim, Winter. Nature, 2005; CMP, 2007.  
 Abeyesinghe et al, Proc. R. Soc. A, 2009.

# Quantum information decoupling

## Applications of decoupling:

- ◆ Quantum information theory

Phys. Rev. Lett. 100:230501, 2008; Comm. Math. Phys. 306: 579, 2011;  
IEEE Tran. Inf. Theory 60:2926, 2014; Phys. Rev. Lett. 121:040504, 2018.

- ◆ Quantum thermodynamics and statistical physics

Nature 474:61, 2011; Nat. Commun. 4:1925, 2013; Nat. Phys. 9:721, 2013.

- ◆ Black hole physics

J. High Energy Phys. 07:120, 2007; Phys. Rev. Lett. 98:080502, 2007 ;  
Phys. Rev. Lett. 110:101301, 2013.

# Quantum information decoupling

## Definition of reliability function

**Definition 1** Let  $\rho_{RA} \in \mathcal{S}(RA)$  be a bipartite quantum state. For given  $r \geq 0$ , we define the optimal performance of decoupling as

$$P_{R:A}^{\text{dec}}(\rho_{RA}, r) := \min P\left(\text{Tr}_{A_2} U(\rho_{RA} \otimes \sigma_{A'})U^*, \rho_R \otimes \omega_{A_1}\right),$$

where the minimization is over all system dimensions  $|A'|$ ,  $|A_1|$ ,  $|A_2|$  such that  $|AA'| = |A_1A_2|$  and  $\log |A_2| \leq r$ , all unitary operations  $U : \mathcal{H}_{AA'} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{A_1A_2}$ , and all states  $\sigma_{A'} \in \mathcal{S}(A')$ ,  $\omega_{A_1} \in \mathcal{S}(A_2)$ .

**Definition 2** Let  $\rho_{RA} \in \mathcal{S}(RA)$  be a bipartite quantum state, and  $r \geq 0$ . The reliability function  $E_{R:A}^{\text{dec}}(r)$  of quantum information decoupling for the state  $\rho_{RA}$  is defined as

$$E_{R:A}^{\text{dec}}(r) := \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-1}{n} \log P_{R^n:A^n}^{\text{dec}}(\rho_{RA}^{\otimes n}, nr).$$



# An upper bound for $P_{R:A}^{\text{dec}}(\rho_{RA}, r)$

**Lemma .12** (Convex-split lemma). *Let  $\rho_{PQ} \in \mathcal{D}(PQ)$  and  $\sigma_Q \in \mathcal{D}(Q)$  be quantum states such that  $\text{supp}(\rho_Q) \subset \text{supp}(\sigma_Q)$ . Let  $k \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} D_{\max}(\rho_{PQ} \| \rho_P \otimes \sigma_Q)$ . Define the following state*

$$\tau_{PQ_1Q_2\dots Q_n} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \rho_{PQ_j} \otimes \sigma_{Q_1} \otimes \sigma_{Q_2} \dots \otimes \sigma_{Q_{j-1}} \otimes \sigma_{Q_{j+1}} \dots \otimes \sigma_{Q_n} \quad (2)$$

*on  $n + 1$  registers  $P, Q_1, Q_2, \dots, Q_n$ , where  $\forall j \in [n] : \rho_{PQ_j} = \rho_{PQ}$  and  $\sigma_{Q_j} = \sigma_Q$ . Then,*

$$D(\tau_{PQ_1Q_2\dots Q_n} \| \tau_P \otimes \sigma_{Q_1} \otimes \sigma_{Q_2} \dots \otimes \sigma_{Q_n}) \leq \log\left(1 + \frac{2^k}{n}\right).$$

**Lemma 13** *Let  $\rho_{RA} \in \mathcal{S}(RA)$  and  $\sigma_A \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}_A)$  be quantum states such that  $\text{supp}(\rho_A) \subseteq \text{supp}(\sigma_A)$ . Consider the following state*

$$\tau_{RA_1A_2\cdots A_m} := \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_{RA_i} \otimes [\sigma^{\otimes(m-1)}]_{A^m/A_i},$$

where  $A^m/A_i$  denotes the composite system consisting of  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{i-1}, A_{i+1}, \dots, A_m$  and  $[\sigma^{\otimes(m-1)}]_{A^m/A_i}$  is the product state  $\sigma^{\otimes(m-1)}$  on these  $m-1$  systems. Let  $v = v(\rho_R \otimes \sigma_A)$  denote the number of distinct eigenvalues of  $\rho_R \otimes \sigma_A$ . Then for any  $0 < s \leq 1$ ,

$$D(\tau_{RA_1A_2\cdots A_m} \parallel \rho_R \otimes (\sigma^{\otimes m})_{A^m}) \leq \frac{v^s}{(\ln 2)^s} \exp \left\{ -(\ln 2) s (\log m - D_{1+s}(\rho_{RA} \parallel \rho_R \otimes \sigma_A)) \right\}.$$

# A decoupling scheme based on the Lemma

Initial state:  $\rho_{RA_1}$

Catalytic state:  $\sigma_{A_2} \otimes \dots \otimes \sigma_{A_m} \otimes \frac{I_{CC'}}{|CC'|}, \quad |C| = |C'| = \sqrt{m}, \quad m = 2^r$

Unitary operator:  $\sum_{i=1}^m U_i \otimes V_i \Psi_{CC'} V_i^*$ ,

where  $U_i$  is the swapping between  $A_1$  and  $A_i$ ,  $V_i$  is the Heisenberg-Weyl operator on  $C$  and  $\Psi_{CC'}$  is the maximally entangled state.

Discarded system:  $C'$

# Quantum information decoupling

## Main Result:

**Proposition** *Let  $\rho_{RA} \in \mathcal{S}(RA)$ . For any  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $0 < s \leq 1$  and  $\sigma_A \in \mathcal{S}(A)$ , the optimal performance of decoupling  $A$  from  $R$  is bounded as*

$$P_{R:A}^{\text{dec}}(\rho_{RA}, r) \leq \sqrt{\frac{v^s}{s}} \exp \left\{ - (\ln 2) s \left( r - \frac{1}{2} D_{1+s}(\rho_{RA} \| \rho_R \otimes \sigma_A) \right) \right\},$$

*where  $v$  is the number of distinct eigenvalues of  $\rho_R \otimes \sigma_A$ .*

# A lower bound for $P_{R:A}^{\text{dec}}(\rho_{RA}, r)$

Smooth max-information:

$$I_{\max}^{\delta}(A : B)_{\rho} := \min_{\sigma_B \in \mathcal{S}(B)} D_{\max}^{\delta}(\rho_{AB} \| \rho_A \otimes \sigma_B),$$

Smooth quantite for max-information:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{A:B}(\rho_{AB}, \lambda) &:= \min_{\sigma_B} \min \{ P(\rho_{AB}, \tilde{\rho}_{AB}) : \tilde{\rho}_{AB} \in \mathcal{S}_{\leq}(AB), \tilde{\rho}_{AB} \leq 2^{\lambda} \rho_A \otimes \sigma_B \} \\ &= \min \{ \delta : I_{\max}^{\delta}(A : B)_{\rho} \leq \lambda \} \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 19** *Let  $\rho_{RA} \in \mathcal{S}(RA)$ . For  $k \geq 0$ , the optimal performance of decoupling  $A$  from  $R$  is bounded by the smoothing quantity for the max-information (cf. Eq. (22) in Definition 14):*

$$P_{R:A}^{\text{dec}}(\rho_{RA}, k) \geq \delta_{R:A}(\rho_{RA}, 2k).$$

Ke Li, Yongsheng Yao, arXiv:2111.06343

**Theorem 15** For  $\rho_{AB} \in \mathcal{S}(AB)$  and  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-1}{n} \log \delta_{A^n : B^n} (\rho_{AB}^{\otimes n}, nr) = \frac{1}{2} \sup_{s \geq 0} \{s(r - I_{1+s}(A : B)_\rho)\}$$

## Main methods:

- ◆ Gartner-Ellis theorem of large deviation theory  
Dembo, Zeitouni, Springer, 1998.
- ◆ Exponent in smoothing the max-relative entropy  
Ke, Li, Yongsheng Yao, Masahito Hayashi, arXiv:2111.01075.

# Quantum information decoupling

## Main Result:

**Theorem** *Let  $\rho_{RA} \in \mathcal{S}(RA)$  be a bipartite quantum state, and consider the problem of decoupling quantum information  $A^n$  from the Reference system  $R^n$  in the quantum state  $\rho_{RA}^{\otimes n}$ . We have*

$$E_{R:A}^{\text{dec}}(r) \geq \max_{0 \leq s \leq 1} \left\{ s \left( r - \frac{1}{2} I_{1+s}(R; A)_\rho \right) \right\}, \quad (1)$$

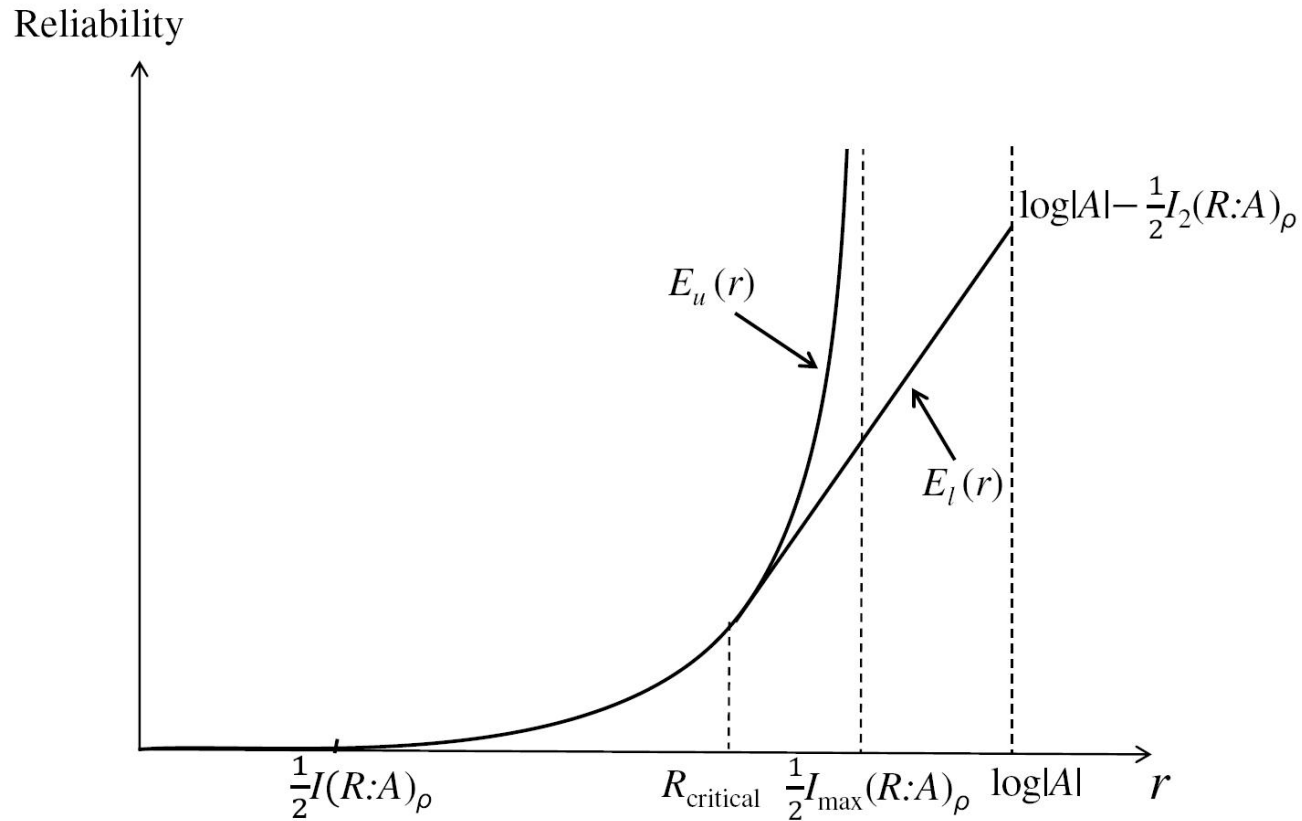
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*In particular, when  $r \leq R_{\text{critical}} := \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{ds} s I_{1+s}(R; A)_\rho \Big|_{s=1}$ ,*

$$E_{R:A}^{\text{dec}}(r) = \max_{0 \leq s \leq 1} \left\{ s \left( r - \frac{1}{2} I_{1+s}(R; A)_\rho \right) \right\}. \quad (3)$$



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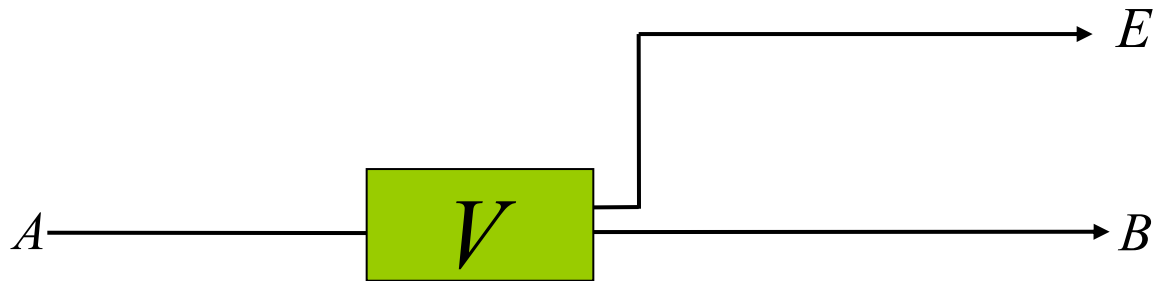


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# Quantum channel simulation

## Quantum channel

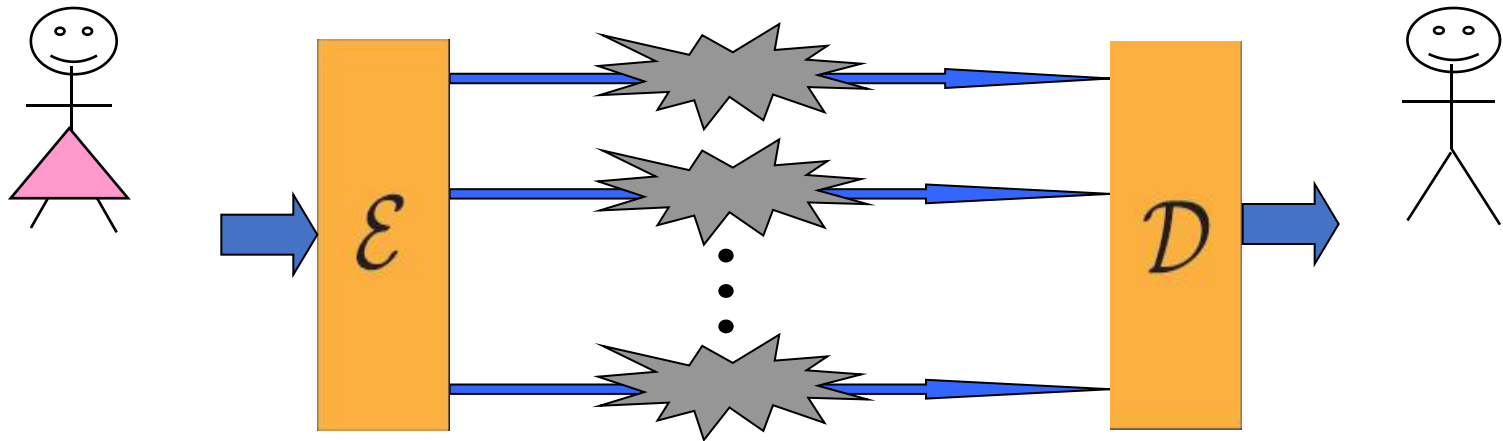


$$\mathcal{N}_{A \rightarrow B}(\rho) = \text{Tr}_E V \rho V^\dagger$$

with unitary  $V : A \rightarrow BE$

# Quantum channel simulation

## Channel capacity

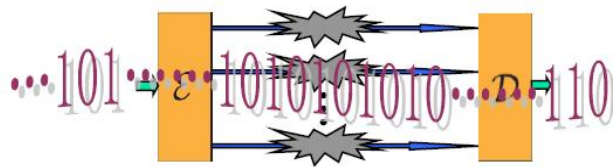


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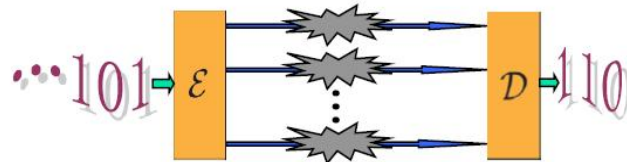
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## Quantum channel capacities

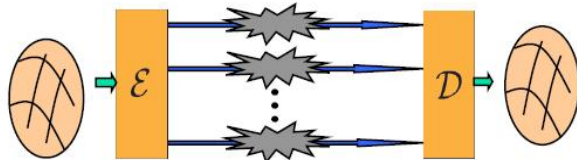
- Classical capacity  $C(\mathcal{N})$



- Private classical capacity  $P(\mathcal{N})$



- Quantum capacity  $Q(\mathcal{N})$



- When assisted by different auxiliary resources, e.g. free entanglement and classical communications, the capacities behave differently, resulting in a zoo of capacity quantities:

$$C_E, Q_E, C_B, Q_B, C_2, Q_2, \dots$$

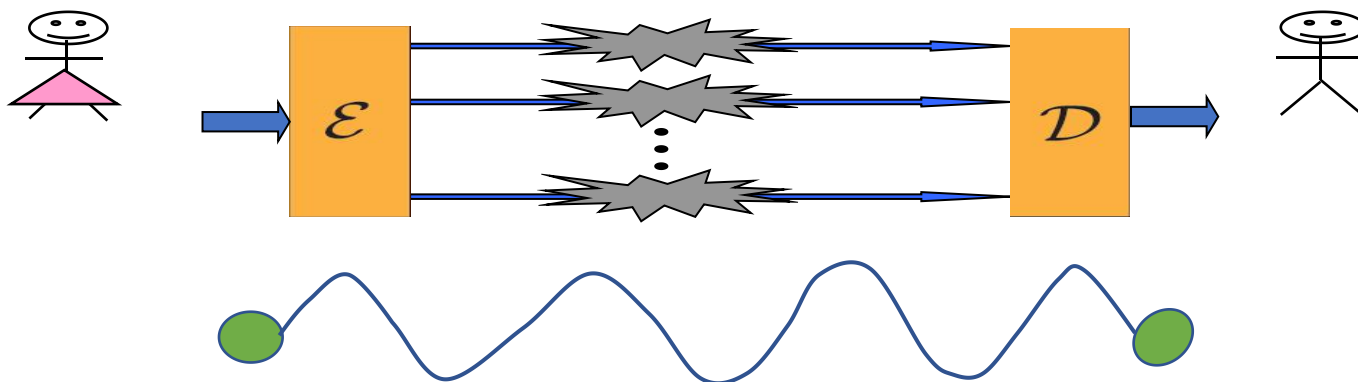
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## Entanglement-assisted quantum channel capacities

Bennett-Shor-Smolin-Thapliyal Theorem:

$$C_E(\mathcal{N}) = I(\mathcal{N}) := \max_{\varphi_{RA}} I(R; B)_{\text{id}_R \otimes \mathcal{N}_{A \rightarrow B}(\varphi_{RA})}$$

with  $I(R; B)_{\text{id} \otimes \mathcal{N}(\varphi_{RA})} = S(\varphi_R) - S(N(\varphi_{RA})) + S(N(\varphi_A))$



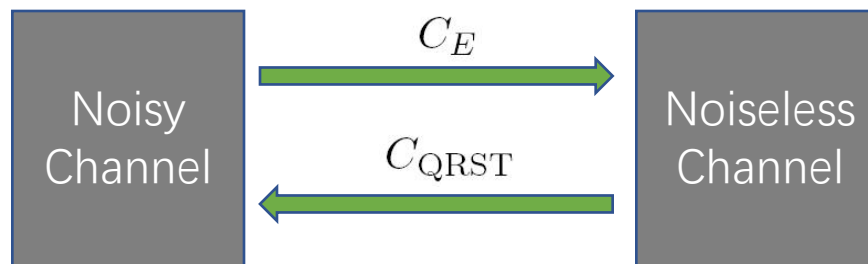
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## Entanglement-assisted quantum channel simulation

Quantum Reverse Shannon Theorem (Bennett, Devetak, Harrow, Shor, Winter):

$$C_{\text{QRST}}(\mathcal{N}) = I(\mathcal{N}) := \max_{\varphi_{RA}} I(R; B)_{\text{id}_R \otimes \mathcal{N}_{A \rightarrow B}(\varphi_{RA})}$$

$$\text{with } I(R; B)_{\text{id} \otimes \mathcal{N}(\varphi_{RA})} = S(\varphi_R) - S(N(\varphi_{RA})) + S(N(\varphi_A))$$



# Quantum channel simulation

## Definition of reliability function

**Definition** *With the purified distance between two channels  $P(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{N}) := \max_{\varphi_{RA}} P(\text{id}_R \otimes \mathcal{M}(\varphi_{RA}), \text{id}_R \otimes \mathcal{N}(\varphi_{RA}))$ , we define the optimal performance of the reverse Shannon simulation as*

$$P^{\text{sim}}(\mathcal{N}_{A \rightarrow B}, c) := \min_{\mathcal{M}_{A \rightarrow B}} P(\mathcal{M}_{A \rightarrow B}, \mathcal{N}_{A \rightarrow B}),$$

*where the minimization is over all the reverse Shannon simulations for  $\mathcal{N}_{A \rightarrow B}$  whose classical communication cost does not exceed  $c$  bits.*

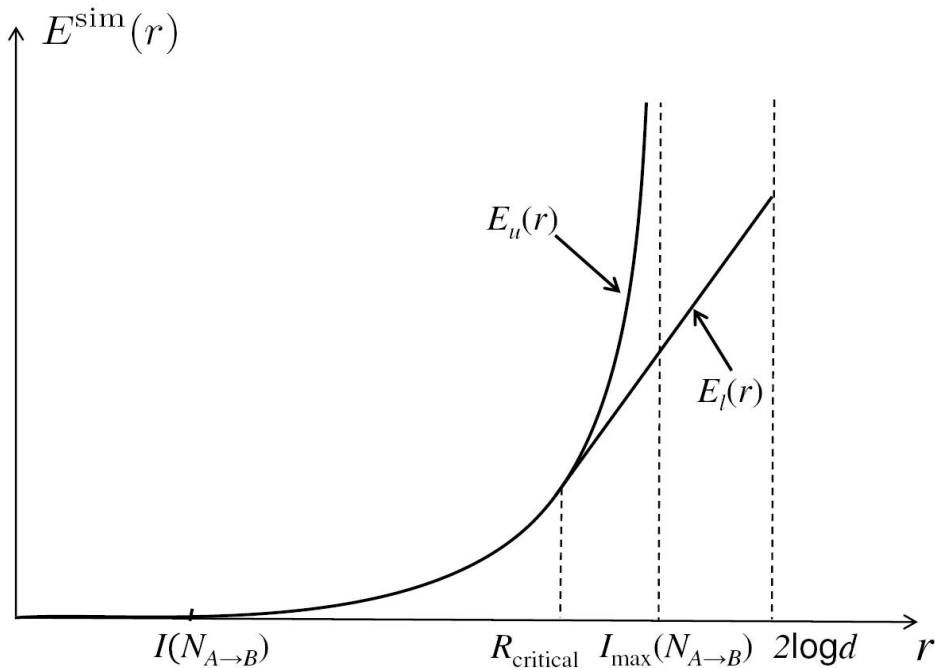
*The reliability function of the simulation of  $\mathcal{N}_{A \rightarrow B}$  is defined as*

$$E^{\text{sim}}(r) := \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-1}{n} \log P^{\text{sim}}(\mathcal{N}_{A \rightarrow B}^{\otimes n}, nr).$$



# Quantum channel simulation

## Main Result:



$$E_u(r) := \frac{1}{2} \sup_{s \geq 0} \{s(r - I_{1+s}(\mathcal{N}_{A \rightarrow B}))\}$$

$$E_l(r) := \frac{1}{2} \max_{0 \leq s \leq 1} \{s(r - I_{1+s}(\mathcal{N}_{A \rightarrow B}))\}$$

$$R_{\text{critical}} := \frac{d}{ds} s I_{1+s}(\mathcal{N}_{A \rightarrow B}) \Big|_{s=1}$$

# Quantum channel simulation

## Main methods:

- ◆ Quantum de Finetti reduction

Christandl, König, Renner, Phys. Rev. Lett. 102:020504, 2009.

- ◆ Quantum information decoupling

K.L., Yongsheng Yao, arXiv:2111.06343.

- ◆ Additivity of channel Rényi mutual information

Gupta, Wilde, Commun. Math. Phys. 334:867, 2015.

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# Summary and open questions

- ◆ We started the “*complete*” characterization of the **Reliability Functions** for quantum information tasks.
- ◆ The results are given in terms of the **Sandwiched Rényi Divergence**, providing it with operational meanings in characterizing how fast the performance of quantum information tasks approach **the perfect** for the first time. (see also yesterday’s talk by Ke Li.)
- ◆ Especially, we give an operational meaning to the **channel sandwiched Rényi mutual information**, justifying its well definition.
- Q1: Reliability functions above the **critical points**?
- Q2: Reliability functions of **other QI tasks**?
- Q3: **More types** of Rényi information divergences?

Thank you !