

Distillation beyond qubits

„Efficient Distillation beyond qubits“ (*Vollbrecht, Wolf*) [quant-ph/0208152](https://arxiv.org/abs/quant-ph/0208152)

„On the Irreversibility of Entanglement Distillation“ (*upcoming ...*)

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Distillation

Given

$$\rho^{\otimes n}$$

LOCC

Wanted

$$|\Omega\rangle\langle\Omega|^{\otimes m}$$

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

Distillable Entanglement

$$E_D(\rho) = \frac{m}{n}$$

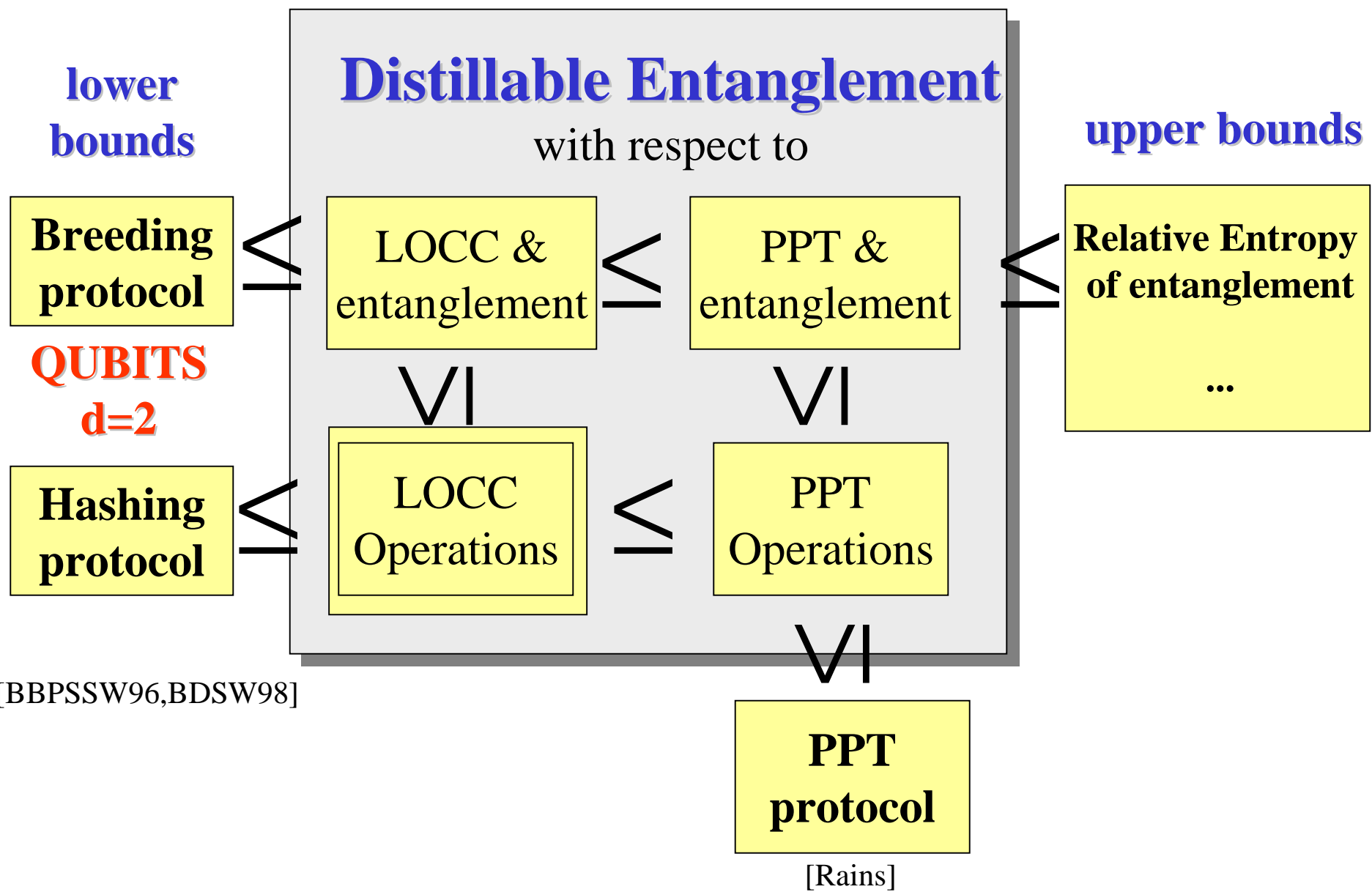
Optimization over all LOCC protocols

Asymptotic limit $n \rightarrow \infty$

Input: Alice and Bob share many copies of a mixed entangled state.

Operations: Alice and Bob are allowed to use **Local Operations & Classical Communication (LOCC)**

Output: The goal is to create maximally entangled states (in the asymptotic limit)



Outline

- Distillation
- Breeding
- Hashing
- low rank states

d-dimensional hashing/breeding

We need generalizations for:

Bell-States:

$$\psi_{00} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|00\rangle + |11\rangle) \quad \psi_{01} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|00\rangle - |11\rangle)$$

$$\psi_{10} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|01\rangle + |10\rangle) \quad \psi_{11} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|01\rangle - |10\rangle)$$

Bell-diagonal states:

$$\rho = \sum_{ij} \lambda_{ij} |\psi_{ij}\rangle \langle \psi_{ij}|$$

LOCC-Twirl:

$$T(\rho) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_i (\sigma_i \otimes \sigma_i) \rho (\sigma_i \otimes \sigma_i)^*$$

C-NOT

$$C|00\rangle = |00\rangle \quad C|10\rangle = |11\rangle$$

$$C|01\rangle = |01\rangle \quad C|11\rangle = |10\rangle$$

Generalization of Bell states

Bell states



maximally entangled basis

„Bell-states“

Phase index

Addition modulo d

$$\psi_{kl} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_m e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d} ml} |m, m+k\rangle$$

Shift index

„Bell-diagonal“-states:

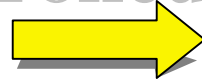
$$\rho = \sum_{ij} \lambda_{ij} P_{ij}$$

$$P_{ij} = |\psi_{ij}\rangle\langle\psi_{ij}|$$

Generalization of C-NOT Gate

Controlled Shift

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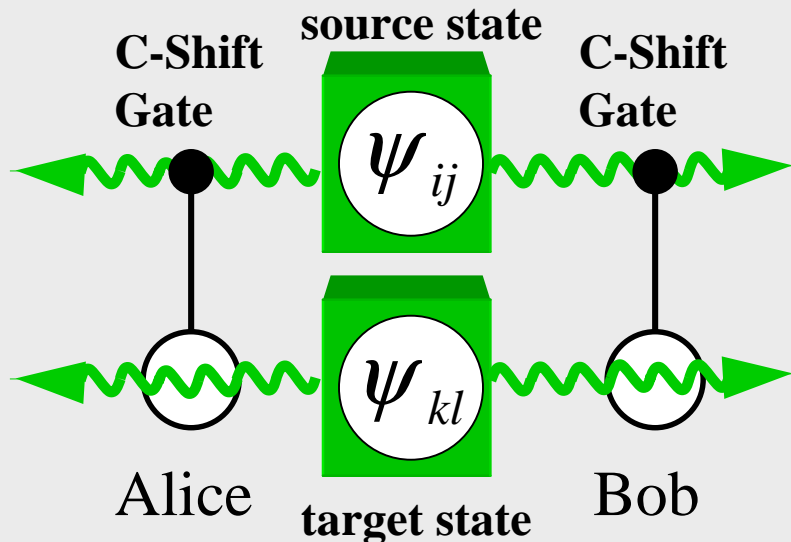


Controlled Shift

C-Shift [Horodecki^{⊗2}99]

$$C|kl\rangle = |k, l+k\rangle$$

Bilateral C-Shift-operation (BCS) acting on Bell-states



Bilateral C-Shift

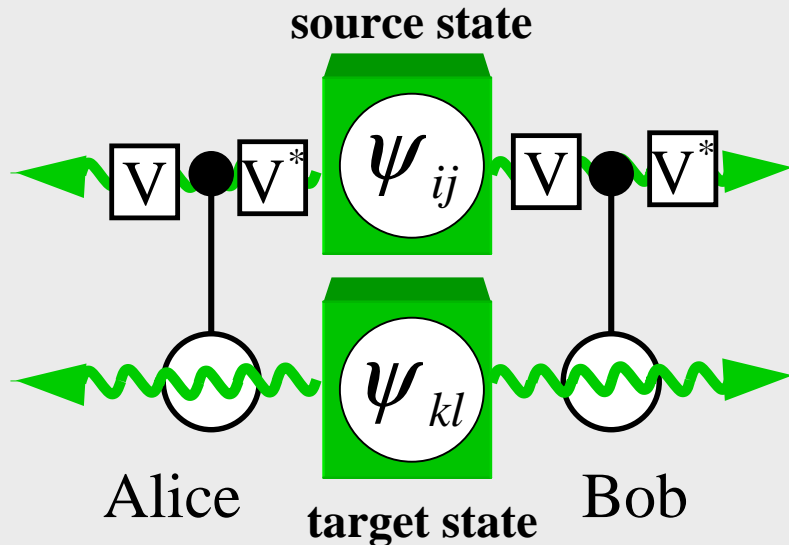
$$P_{ij} \otimes P_{kl} \rightarrow P_{i(j-l)} \otimes P_{(k+i)l}$$

Fourier transform

$$V|k\rangle = \sum_l e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}kl} |l\rangle$$

$$(V \otimes V^*) P_{ij} (V \otimes V^*)^* = P_{j(-i)}$$

Bilateral Modified C-Shift-operation (MBCS) acting on Bell-states



Bilateral Modified C-Shift

$$P_{ij} \otimes P_{kl} \rightarrow P_{(i+l)j} \otimes P_{(k+j)l}$$

Generalized Twirl

$$U_{kl} |m\rangle = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d} lm} |m+k\rangle$$

LOCC-Twirl

$$T(\rho) = \frac{1}{d^2} \sum_{kl} (U_{kl} \otimes U_{k(-l)}) \rho (U_{kl} \otimes U_{k(-l)})^*$$

First step of the protocol:

Alice and Bob maps an arbitrary state ρ to a „Bell-diagonal state“

The main idea

Alice and Bob share n copies of the state ρ .

$$\rho^{\otimes n} = \sum_{\underbrace{i_1 j_1 \oplus i_n j_n}_{\text{unknown}}} \lambda_{i_1 j_1} \ominus \lambda_{i_n j_n} \underbrace{P_{i_1 j_1} \otimes \ominus \otimes P_{i_n j_n}}_{\text{Maximally entangled}}$$

unknown

Maximally entangled

Alice and Bob's strategy :

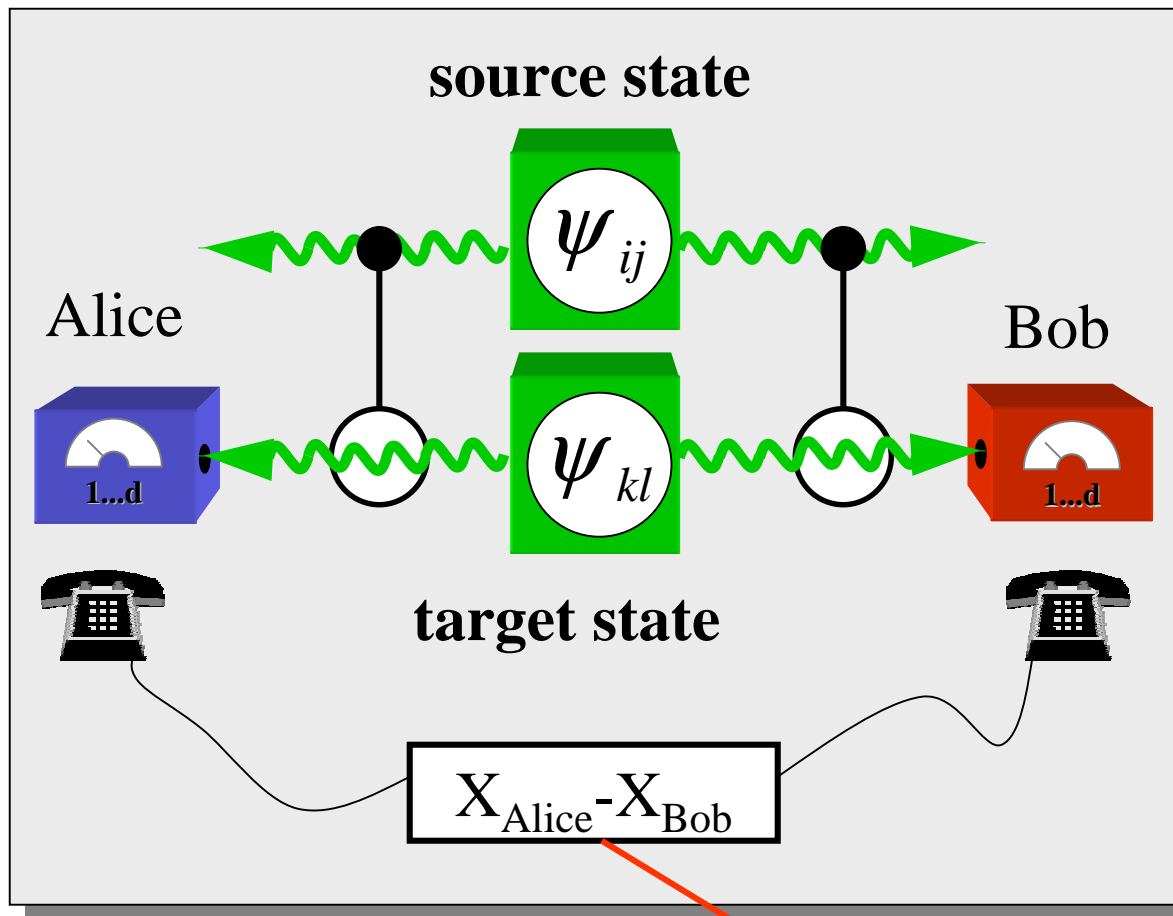
1. identify the index tuple

$$S = \{ \underbrace{i_1, j_1}_{\square}, i_2, j_2, \oplus i_n, j_n \}$$

2. Utilize

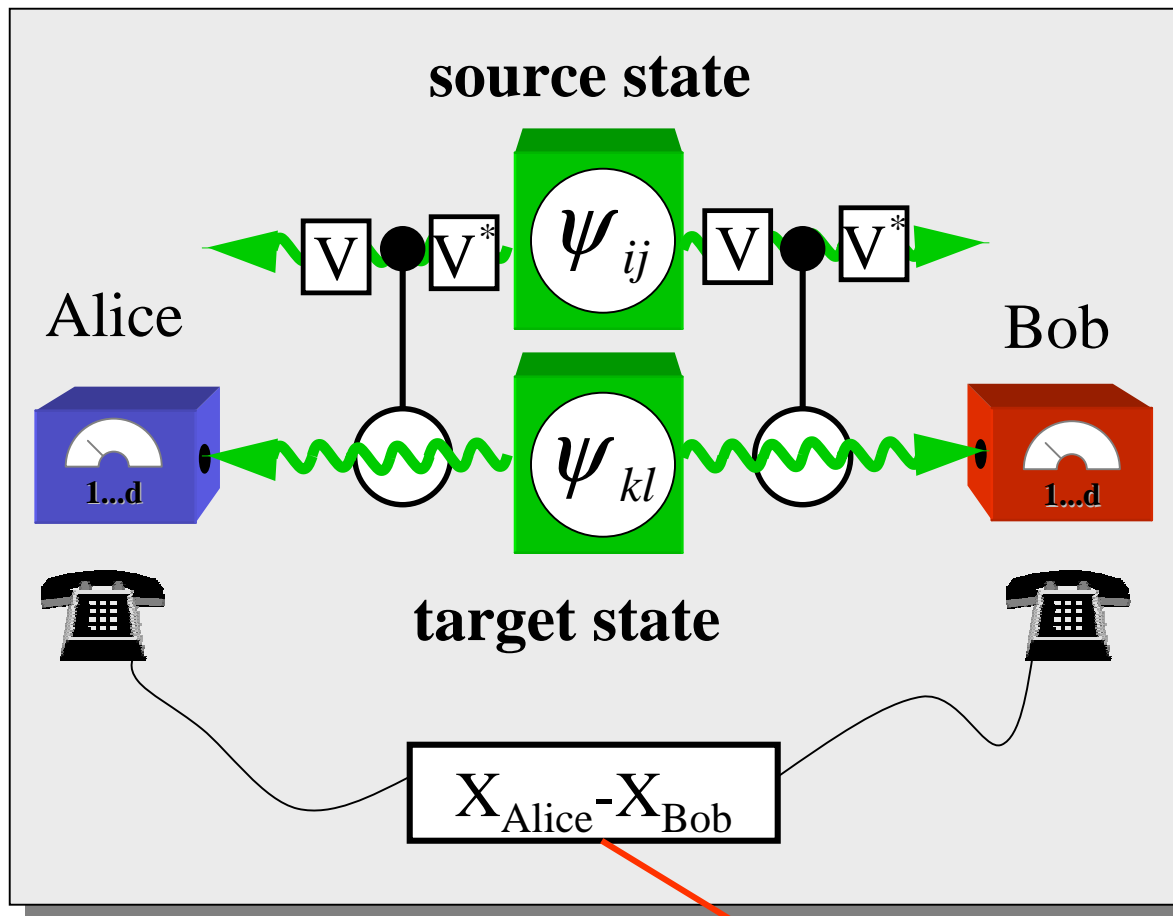
$$P_S := P_{i_1 j_1} \otimes \oplus \otimes P_{i_n j_n}$$

Breeding protocol
with
LOCC&entanglement



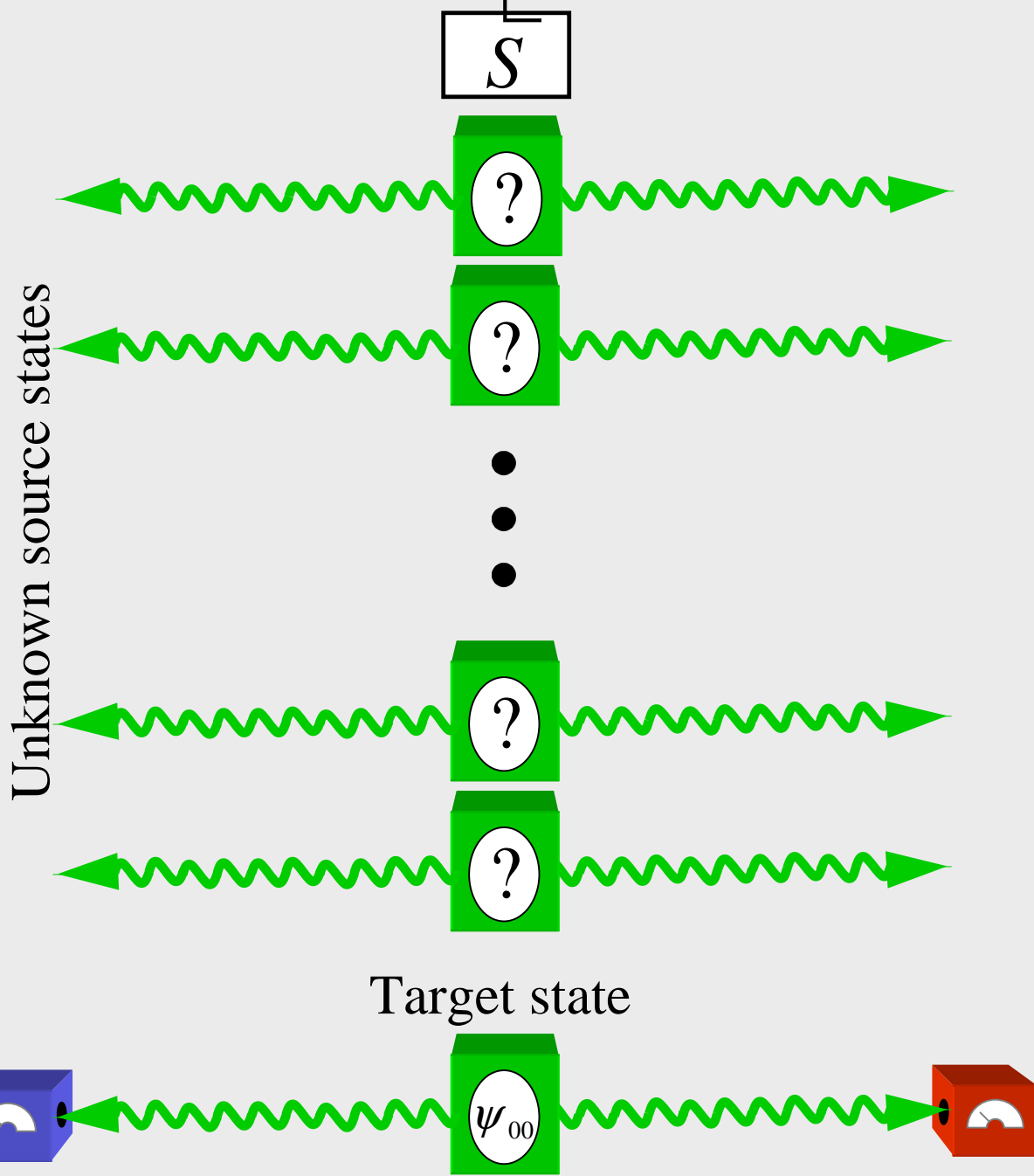
$$P_{ij} \otimes P_{k0} \rightarrow P_{ij} \otimes P_{(k+i)0}$$

If phase index of target state is zero
 → Source state stays unchanged

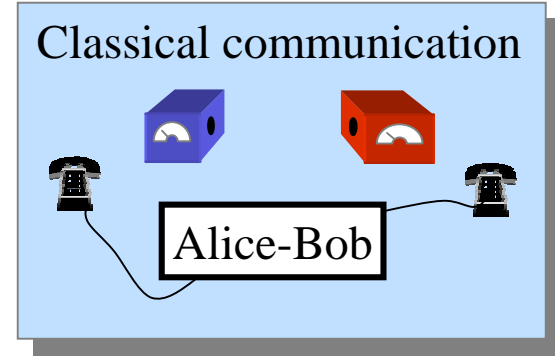
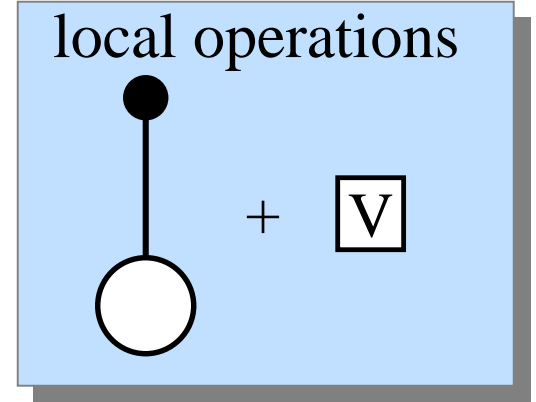


$$P_{ij} \otimes P_{k0} \rightarrow P_{ij} \otimes P_{k+j,0}$$

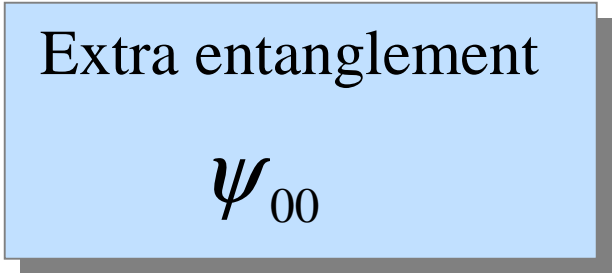
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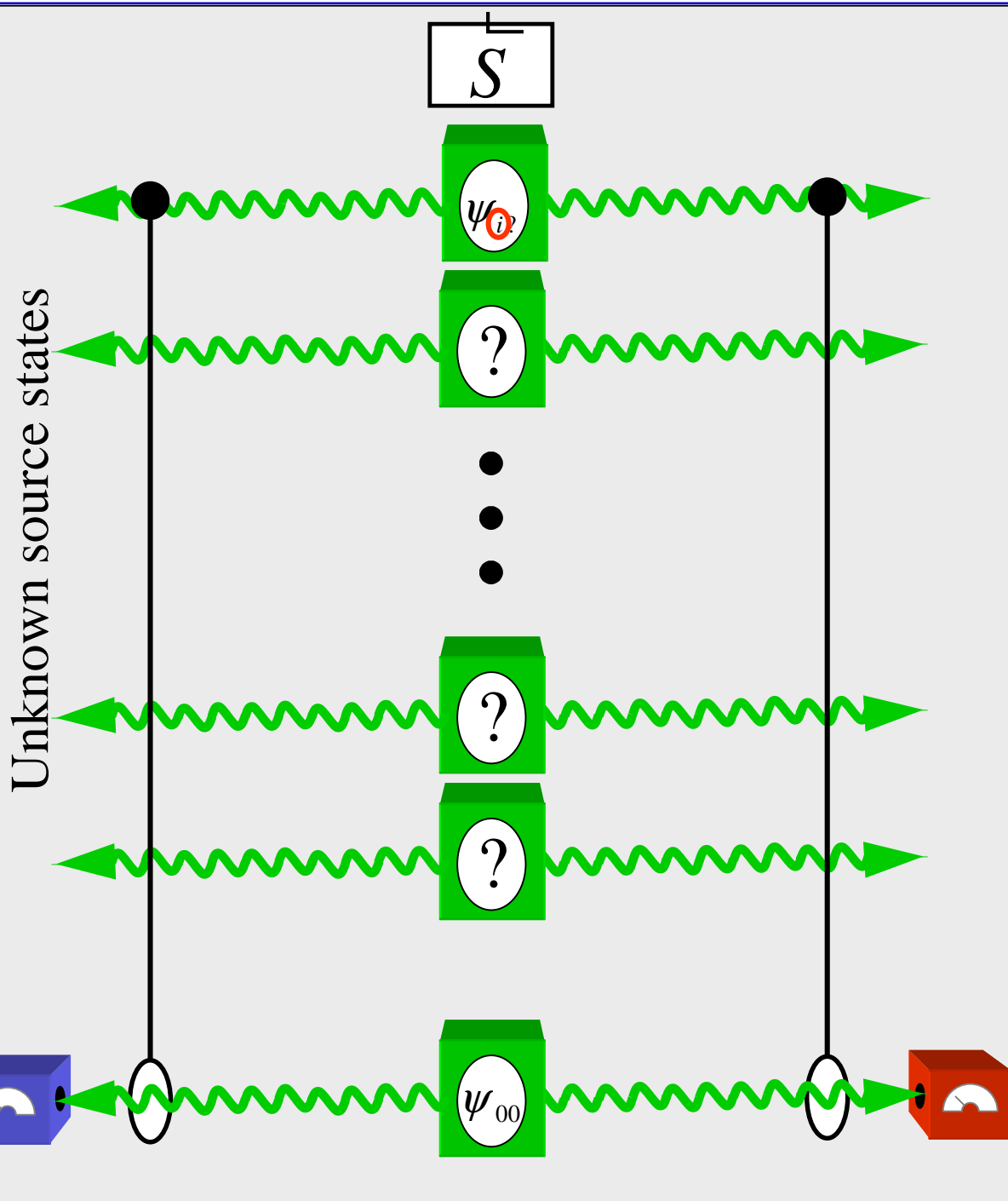
breeding



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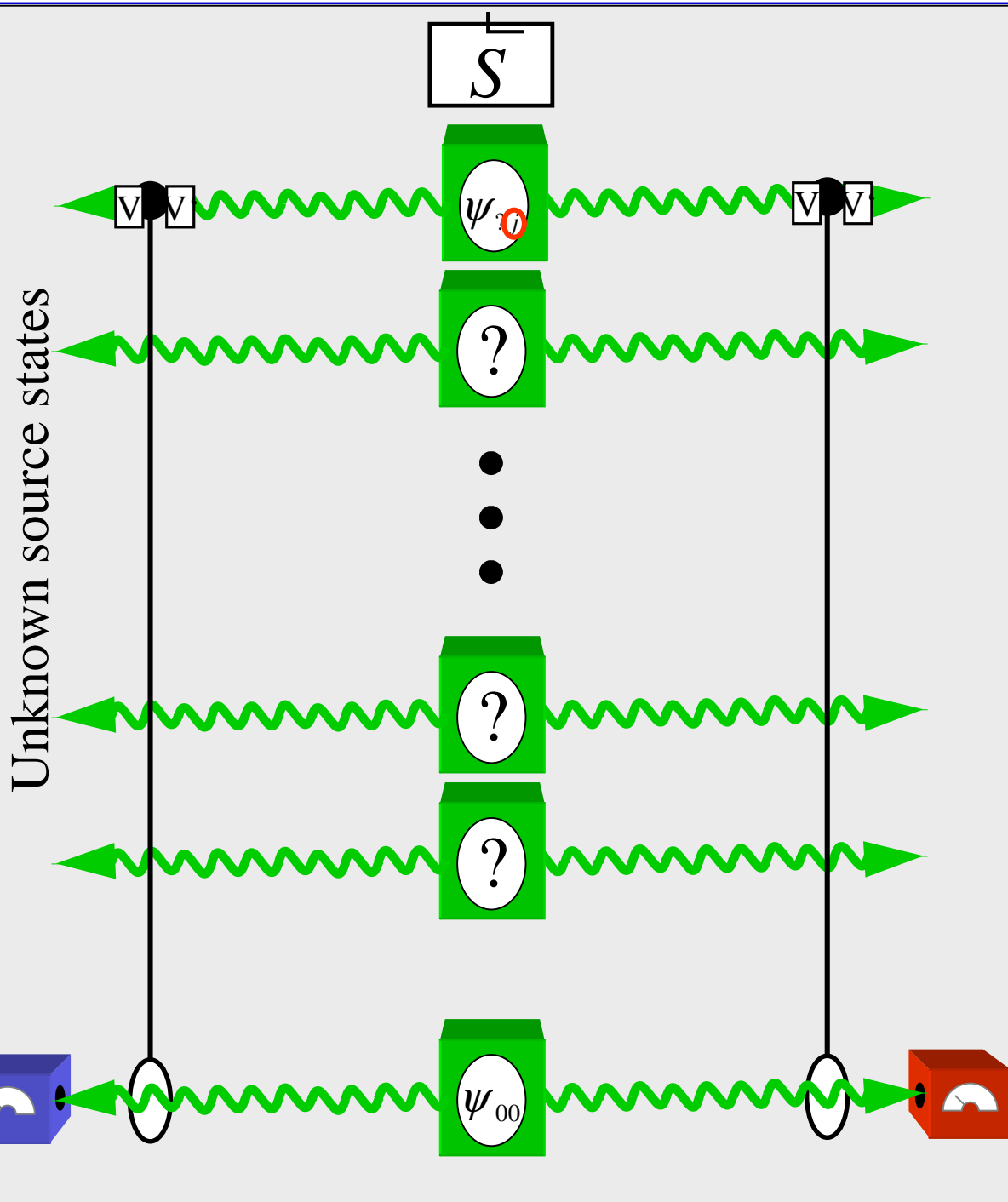
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Result of measuring the target state

S_1

breeding



Result of measuring the target state

S_2

breeding

Unknown source states

S

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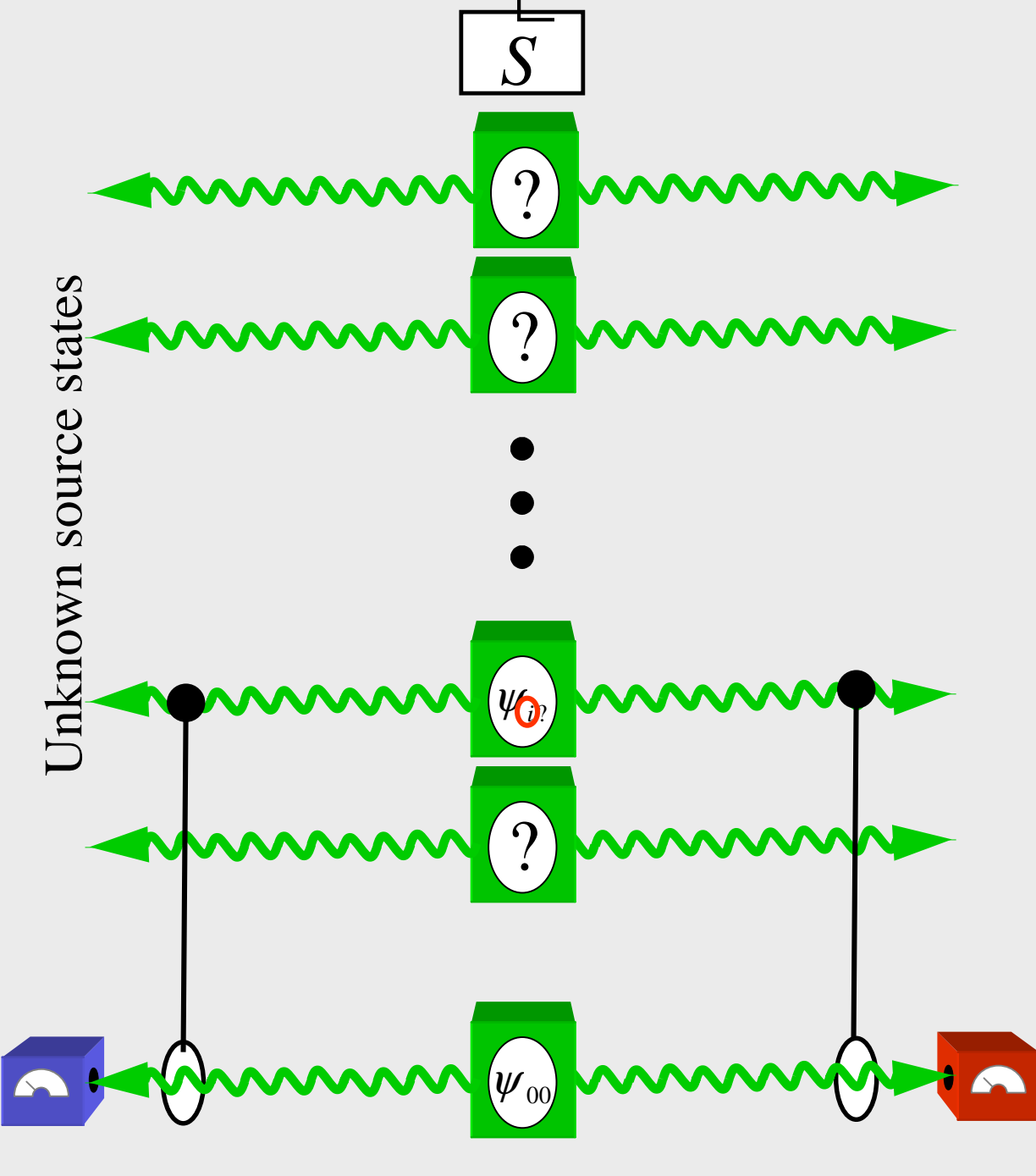
ψ_i

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ψ_{00}

Result of measuring the target state

$$S_{2m-1}$$



breeding

Unknown source states

S

?

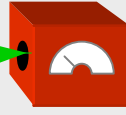
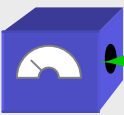
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ψ_0

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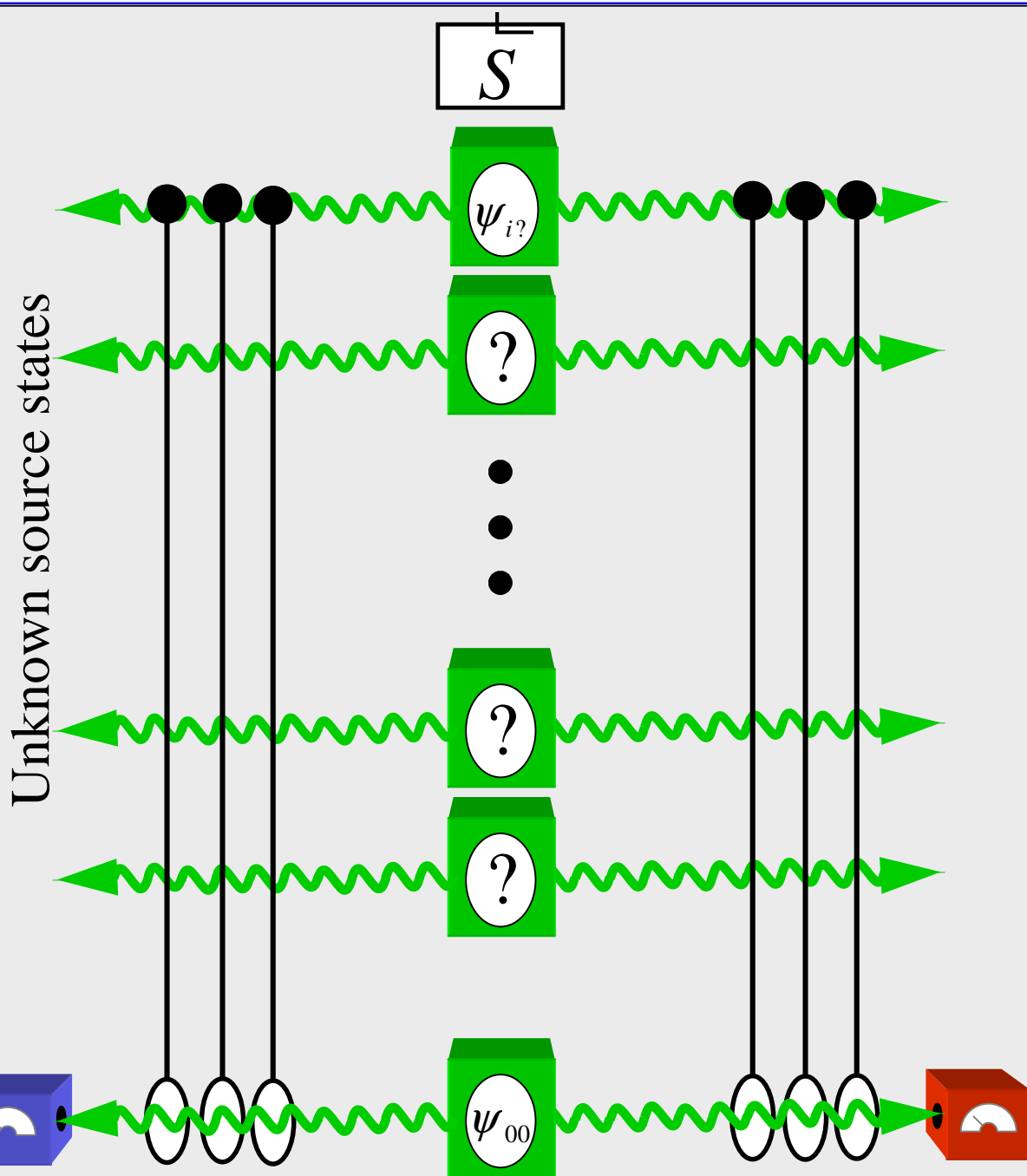
ψ_{00}



Result of measuring the target state

S_{2m}

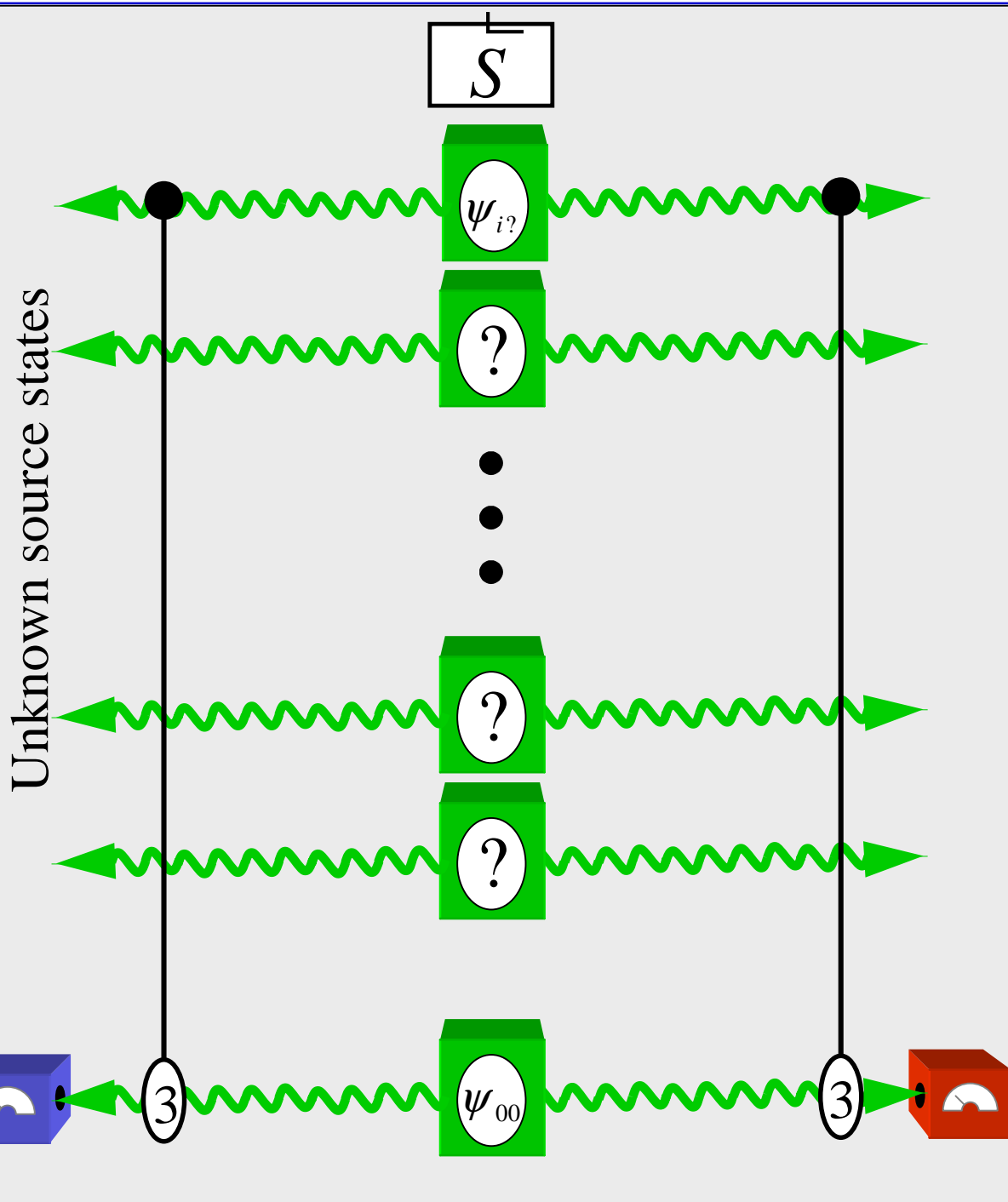
breeding



Result of measuring the target state

$$3 \cdot S_1$$

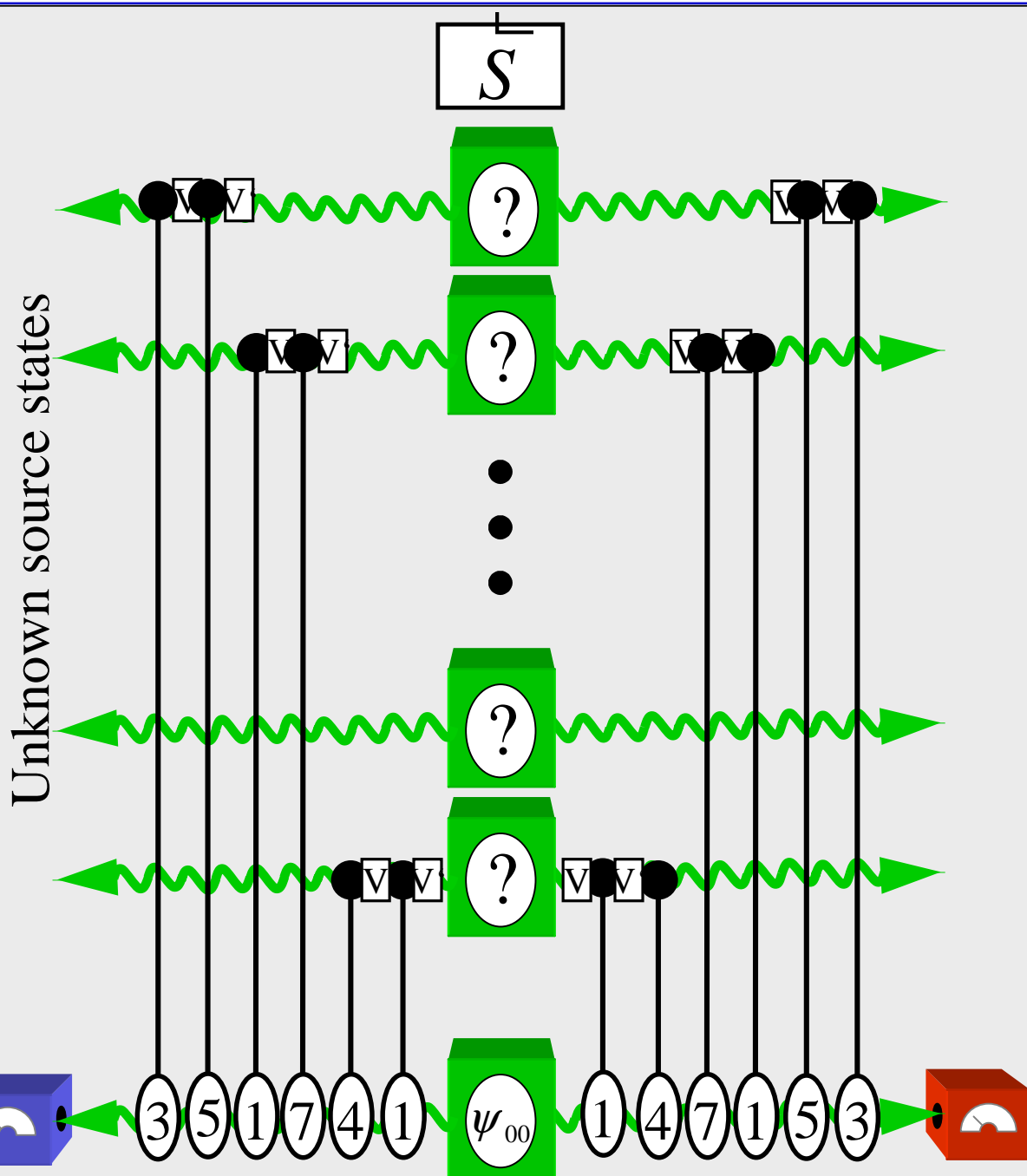
breeding



Result of measuring the target state

$$3 \cdot S_1$$

breeding



Sequence of BCS and MBCS is characterized by a vector

$$\vec{M} = \{3, 5, 17, \ominus 4, 1\}$$

Result of measuring the target state

$$\langle S | M \rangle = \sum_i S_i M_i$$

quantum problem \longrightarrow classical problem

quantum state ρ \longrightarrow classical random variable $\{ij, \lambda_{ij}\}$

distill ρ \longrightarrow identify S^L

LOCC & entanglement $\longrightarrow \langle S^L | M^L \rangle = \sum_i S_i M_i$

breeding

List of possible S

033273475667
485738475847
483562843784
394859309485
384758473848
485848483849
473847594874
485748473958
384758448570

$$\langle S | M \rangle = \sum_i S_i M_i$$

log d ebit

~~033273475667~~
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Repeat until S is known

How many measurements are needed ?

How many S are on the list ?

How to choose M ?

How many S are on the list ?

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typical codewords

$$P(S \in \begin{array}{l} 384171 \\ 584113 \\ 485704 \end{array}) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 1$$

non-typical codewords

$$P(S \in \begin{array}{l} 384171 \\ 584113 \\ 485704 \end{array}) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

How to choose M ?

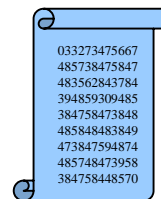
Choose M completely random !

This turns out to be optimal in the asymptotic limit.

In each step the number of codewords is reduced by a factor 1/d

breeding rate

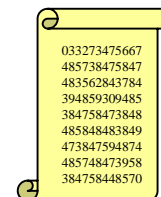
$$E_D(\rho) \geq \log_2 d - S(\rho)$$



Maximally entangled states only in the asymptotic limit

rate

$$\log_2 d - \log_2 \text{Rank}(\rho)$$



Maximally entangled states for finite n

IF

d is prime (or power of a prime)

$$b = a \cdot x \pmod{d} \quad \mathbf{a \neq 0}$$

The equation has a unique solution for x if and only if d is prime.

This guarantees that Alice and Bob gain $\log d$ bits of information in every step.

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\langle M^{\square} | S_1^{\square} \rangle = \langle M^{\square} | S_2^{\square} \rangle\right) = \frac{1}{d}$$

$\underbrace{M}_{\square} = \text{random}$

Way out:

Let the target state live in prime dimension

n copies

$$\rho \in B(C^d \otimes C^d)$$

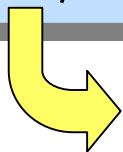
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Extra entanglement

$$\psi_{oo} \in C^{d'} \otimes C^{d'}$$

C-Shift

$$C|kl\rangle = |k, l+k\rangle$$



$$\in C^d \otimes C^{d'}$$

d' is prime

Bilateral C-Shift

~~$$P_{ij} \otimes P_{kl} \rightarrow P_{(i+l)j} \otimes P_{(k+j)l}$$~~

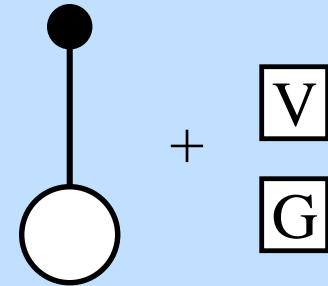
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$$P_{ij} \otimes P_{k0} \rightarrow P_{ij} \otimes P_{(k+j)0}$$

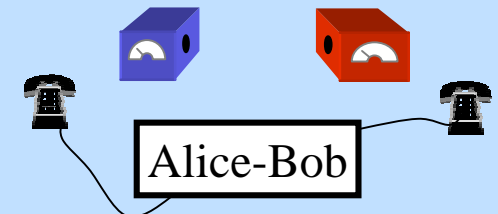
Hashing protocol with LOCC

hashing

local operations

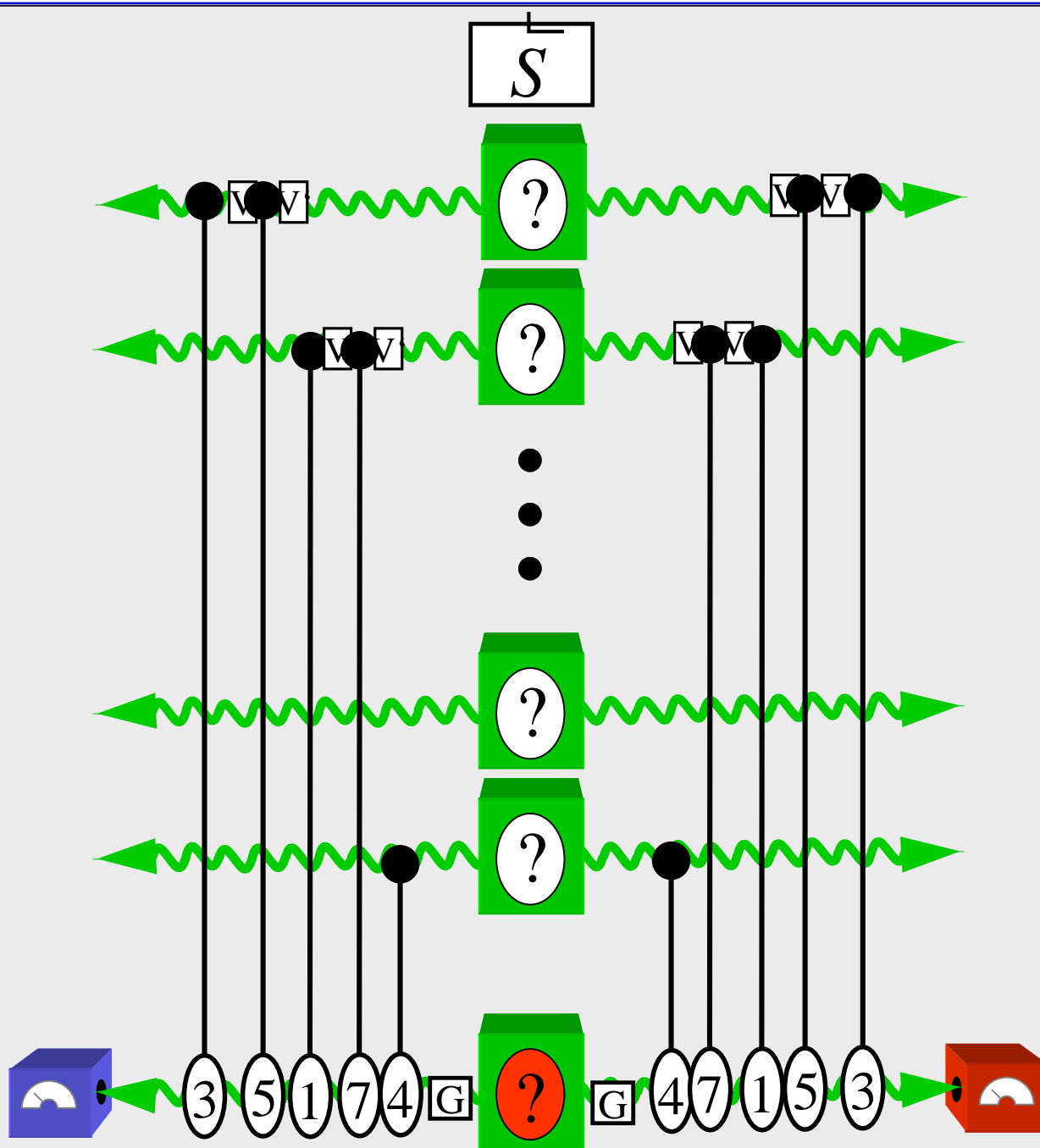


Classical communication

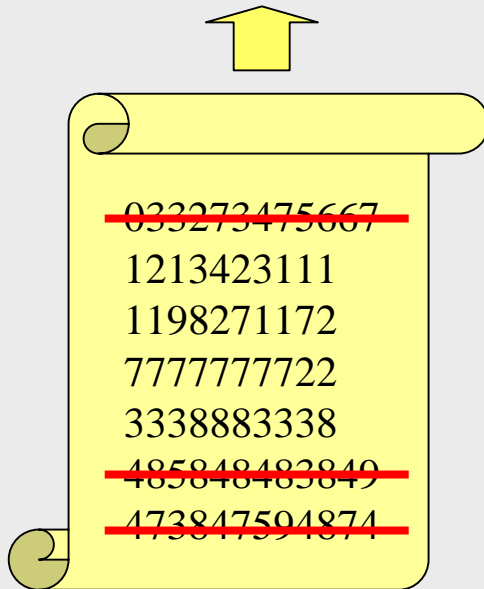
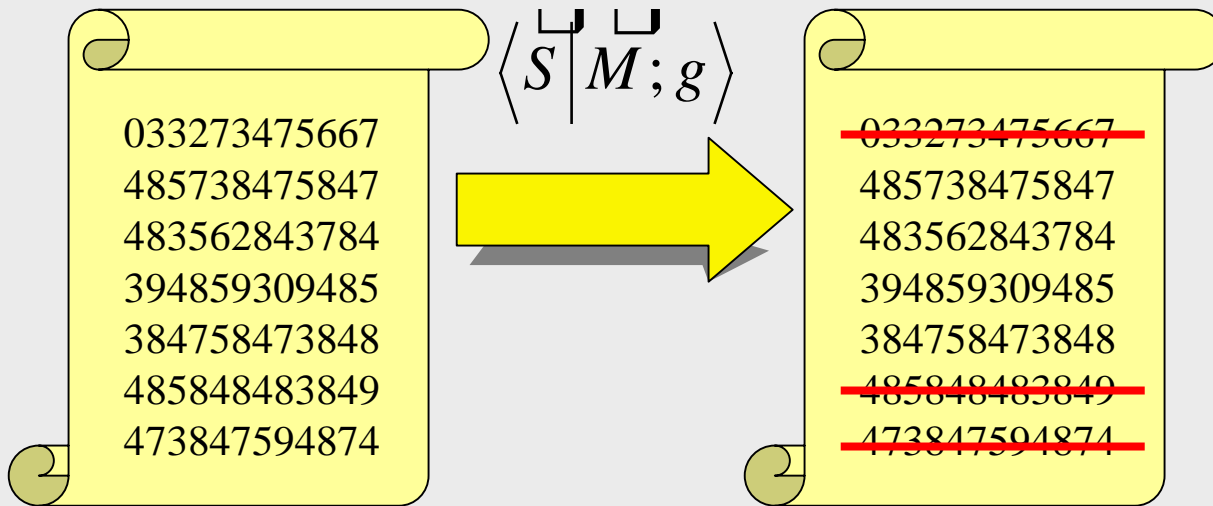


Result of measuring the target state

$$\langle S^{\perp} | M; g \rangle = \langle S^{\perp} | M \rangle + \sum_i M_{2i} M_{2i-1} S_{2n} + S_{2n-1} + g S_{2n}$$



hashing



hashing rate

$$E_D(\rho) \geq \log_2 d - S(\rho)$$

$$P_{ij} \otimes P_{kl} \rightarrow P_{i(j-l)} \otimes P_{(k+i)l}$$

$$P_{ij} \otimes P_{kl} \rightarrow P_{(i+l)j} \otimes P_{(k+j)l}$$

**iff d is prime
(or power of a
prime)**

Summary: Distillation

For d prime (or power of prime): LOCC protocol

For arbitrary dimension LOCC&entanglement protocol

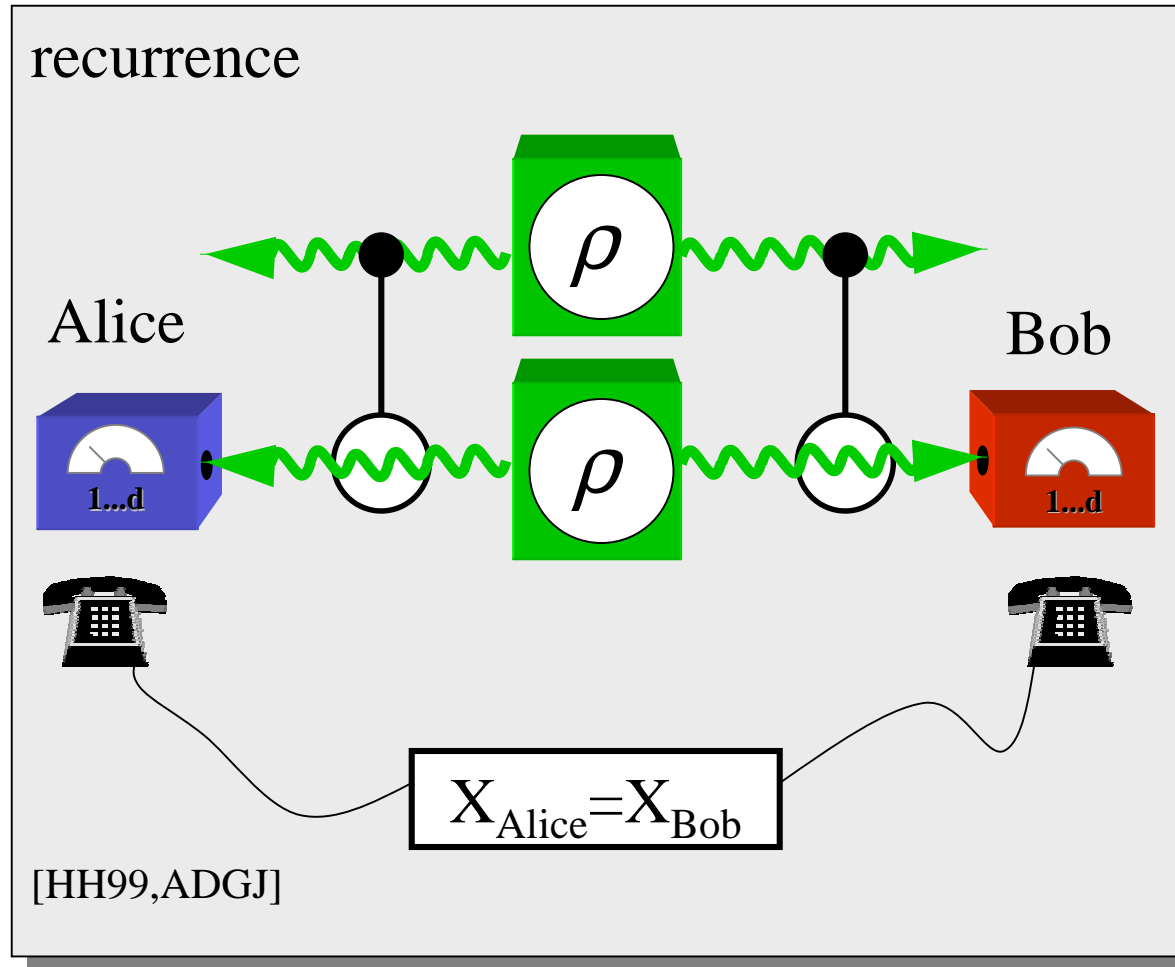
hashing/breeding rate

$$E_D(\rho) \geq \log_2 d - S(\rho)$$

For $\text{Rank}(\rho) < d$ we get a positive rate for finite n .

$$\log_2 d - \log_2 \text{Rank}(\rho) - \varepsilon$$

Further optimization

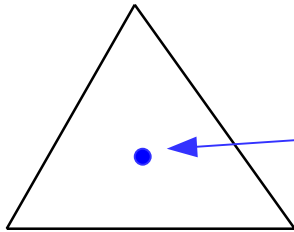


Optimality for low rank states

Consider the $(d-1)$ parameter family:

$$\rho = \sum_l \lambda_l |\psi_l\rangle\langle\psi_l|$$

$$\psi_l := \psi_{0l}$$



barycenter is the only separable state
and is nearest in RelEnt distance :

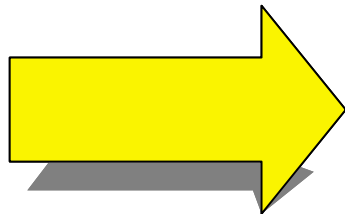
$$E_{RE}(\rho) = \inf_{\sigma_{sep}} \text{tr} \rho (\log \rho - \log \sigma_{sep})$$

$$\log_2 d - S(\rho) = E_{RE} \geq E_D \geq \log_2 d - S(\rho)$$



**The obtained rate is equal to
the Distillable Entanglement !**

$$\rho = \sum_l \lambda_l |\psi_l\rangle\langle\psi_l|$$



Distillable Entanglement

with respect to

LOCC &
entanglement

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PPT &
entanglement

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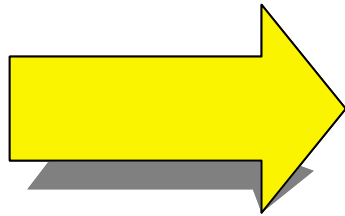
|| ?

LOCC
Operations

?
=

PPT
Operations

$$\rho = \sum_l \lambda_l |\psi_l\rangle\langle\psi_l|$$



$$\rho = \sum_l a_{ij} |ii\rangle\langle jj|$$

Maximal correlated

Distillable Entanglement

with respect to

$$\text{LOCC \& entanglement} = \text{PPT \& entanglement}$$

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$$\text{LOCC Operations} \stackrel{?}{=} \text{PPT Operations}$$

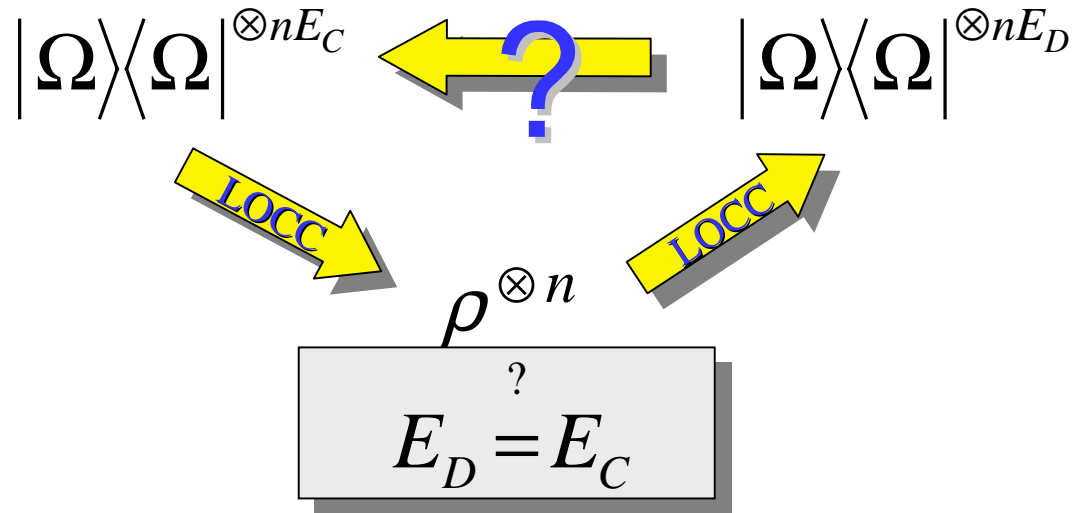
$$\text{PPT Operations}$$

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PPT protocol

Irreversibility of Entanglement



Vidal & Cirac: counter-examples !

For the whole $(d-1)$ parameter family:

- Irreversibility is generic !
- All reversible states are “pseudo-pure”

pseudo-pure

All pure state entanglement can be extracted by a simple operation on a single copy.

Example:

$$\rho = \sum_i \left| \psi_i^{AB} \right\rangle \left\langle \psi_i^{AB} \right| \otimes \left| i \right\rangle \left\langle i \right|^A \otimes \left| i \right\rangle \left\langle i \right|^B$$

$$\rho = \left| \psi^{AB} \right\rangle \left\langle \psi^{AB} \right| \otimes \rho_{sep}^{AB}$$

Entanglement cost

$$\rho = \sum_l \lambda_l |\psi_l\rangle\langle\psi_l|$$



Entanglement cost is equal to
Entanglement of formation

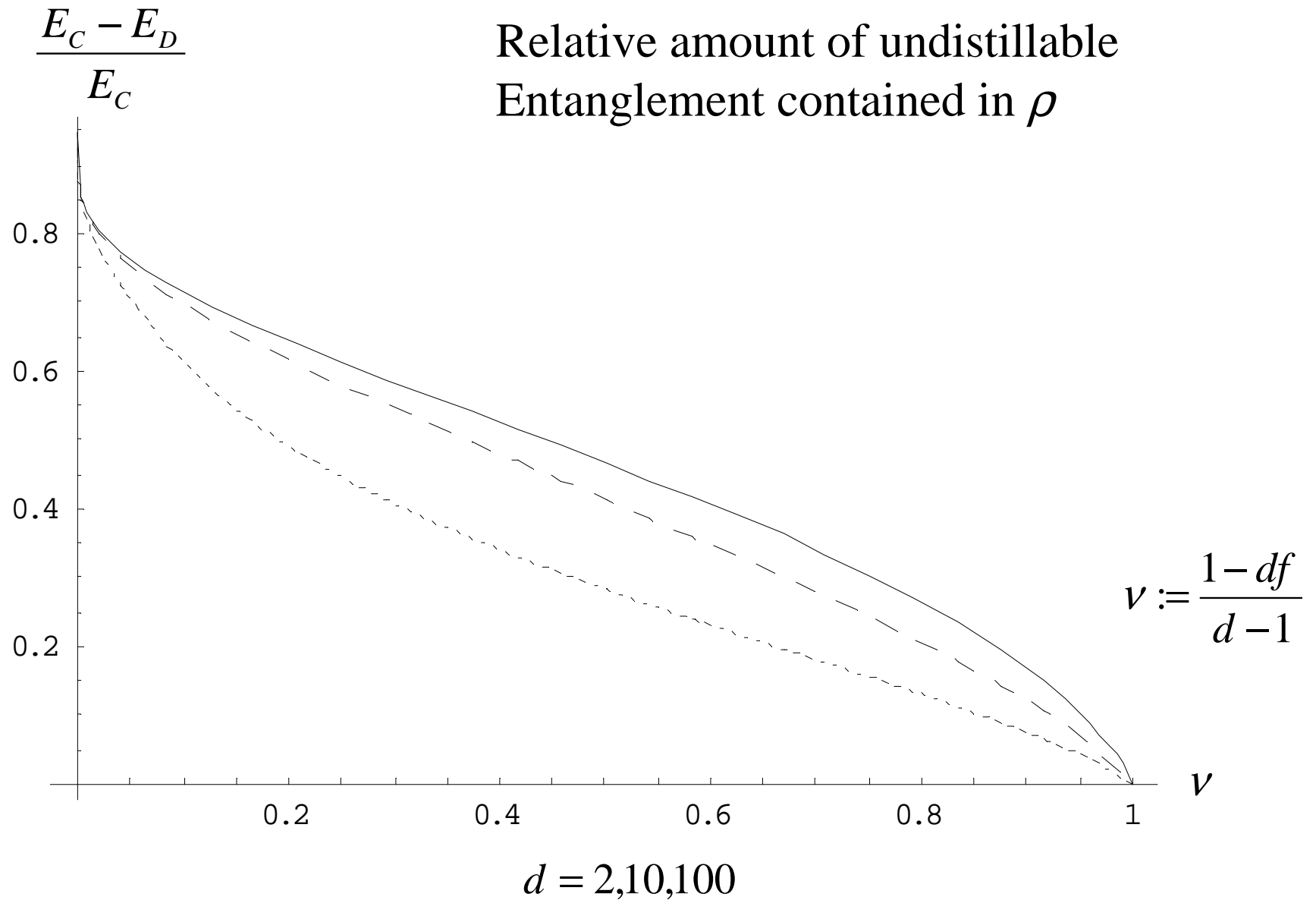
$$\rho = f |\psi_0\rangle\langle\psi_0| + \frac{1-f}{d-1} \sum_{l=1}^{d-1} |\psi_l\rangle\langle\psi_l|$$



Entanglement of formation is equal to the
Entanglement of formation of a isotropic state

$$\rho = f |\psi_0\rangle\langle\psi_0| + \frac{1-f}{d^2-1} (\mathbf{1} - |\psi_0\rangle\langle\psi_0|)$$

Relative amount of undistillable
Entanglement contained in ρ



Conclusion

- Generalization of hashing/breeding protocol
- new class of low rank states
- irreversibility is generic