

Lossy quantum data compression



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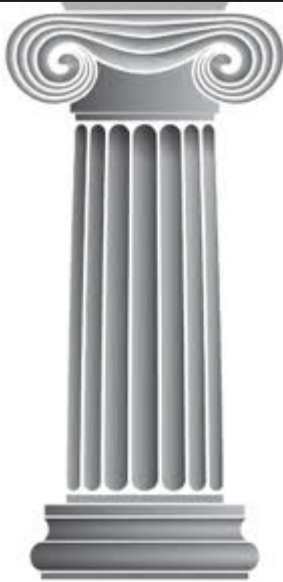
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Classical Information Theory



Shannon's Source
Coding Theorem

*Compression of information
emitted by a source*



Shannon's Noisy Channel
Coding Theorem

*Transmission of information
through a noisy channel*

Shannon's Coding Theorems

■ Source Coding Theorem



*Memoryless
information source*

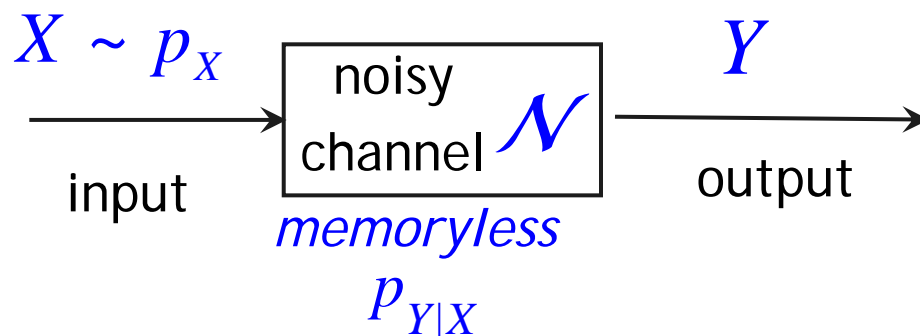
$$X \sim p_X$$

Data compression limit

= *Shannon entropy* of the
source:

$$H(X) = -\sum_x p(x) \log p(x)$$

■ Channel Coding Theorem



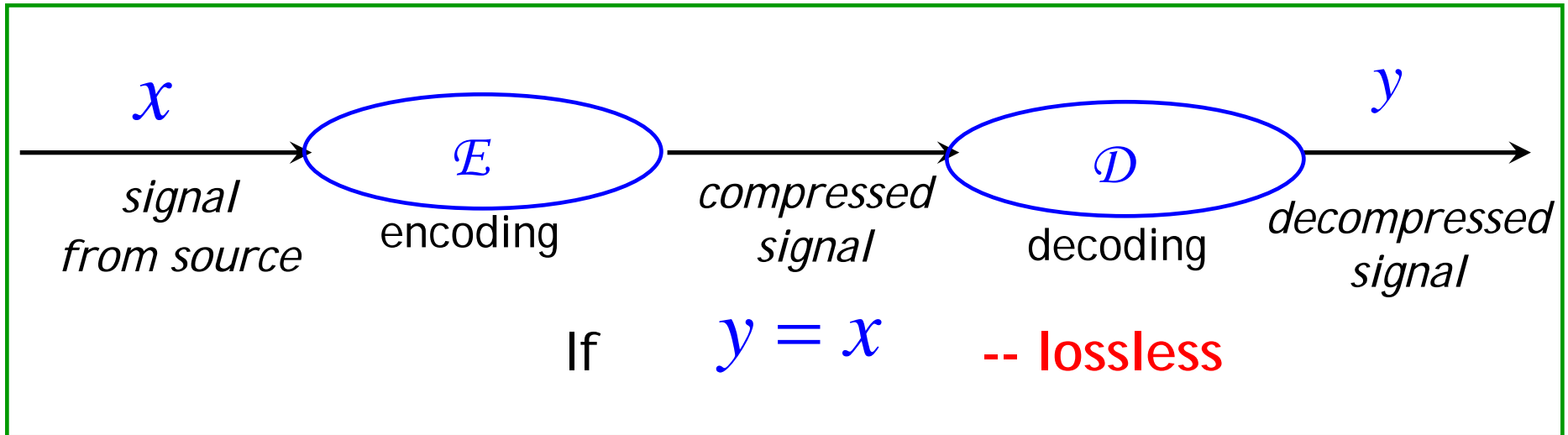
Capacity of the channel

$$C(\mathcal{N}) = \max_{p_X} I(X : Y)$$

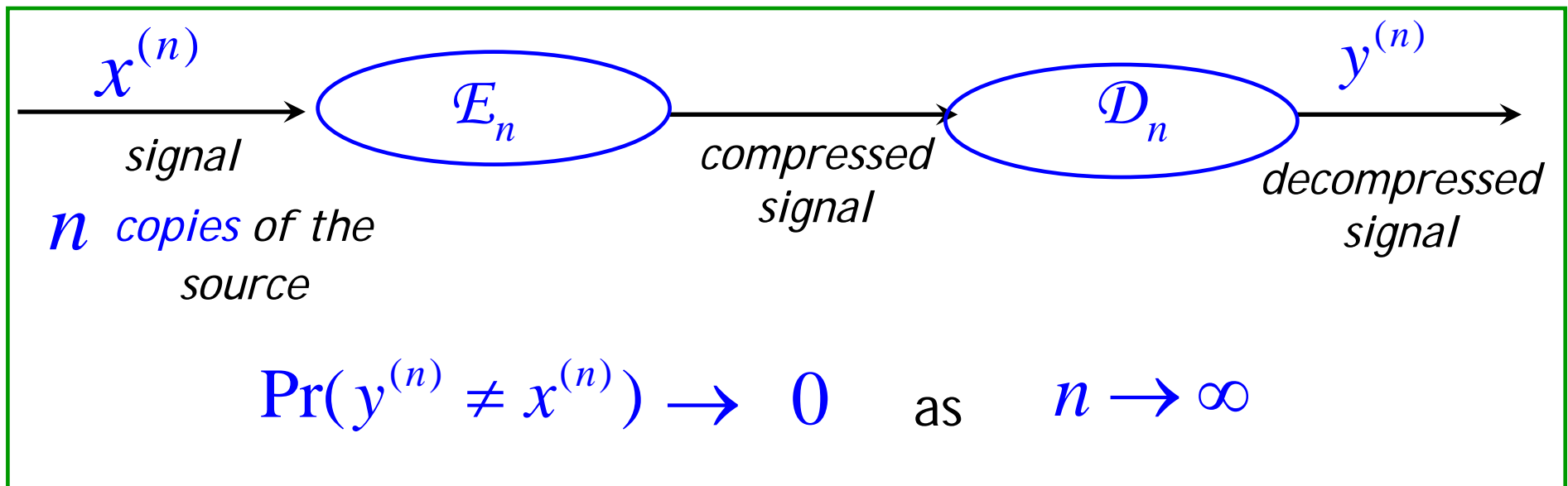
mutual information

$$(\text{= } H(X) + H(Y) - H(X, Y))$$

Lossless Data Compression



Shannon's Source Coding Theorem: *asymptotically lossless data compression*



Lossless Compression - often too **stringent** a condition

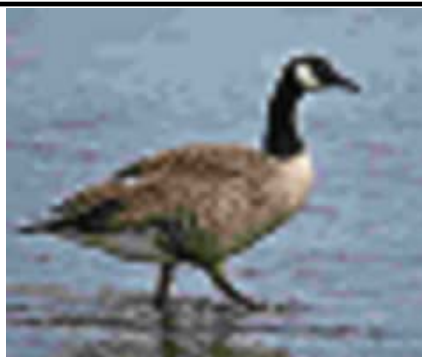
- for cases of **multimedia data**;
e.g. audio, video and still images
- or when **storage space** is **insufficient**
- or for **continuous variable sources**

■ Why ?

Typically, a substantial amount of **data** can be
discarded before the information is
sufficiently degraded to be **noticeable!**



original image



84% less information

Lossy Data Compression


- a data compression scheme :

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ recovered data \neq original data
instead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ recovered data \approx^D original data
<p>D: the maximum allowed distortion</p>

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Rate Distortion Theory = the theory of **Lossy Data Compression**

- rate of compression $\xleftrightarrow{\text{tradeoff}}$ the allowed distortion



 fundamental limit on the asymptotic rate of data compression for a given maximum distortion D :

Rate Distortion Function

$R(D)$: optimal rate of data compression for a given maximum distortion D .

A simple example: Random bit source

- Source alphabet: $\{0,1\}$

$$H(X) = \log 2 = 1$$

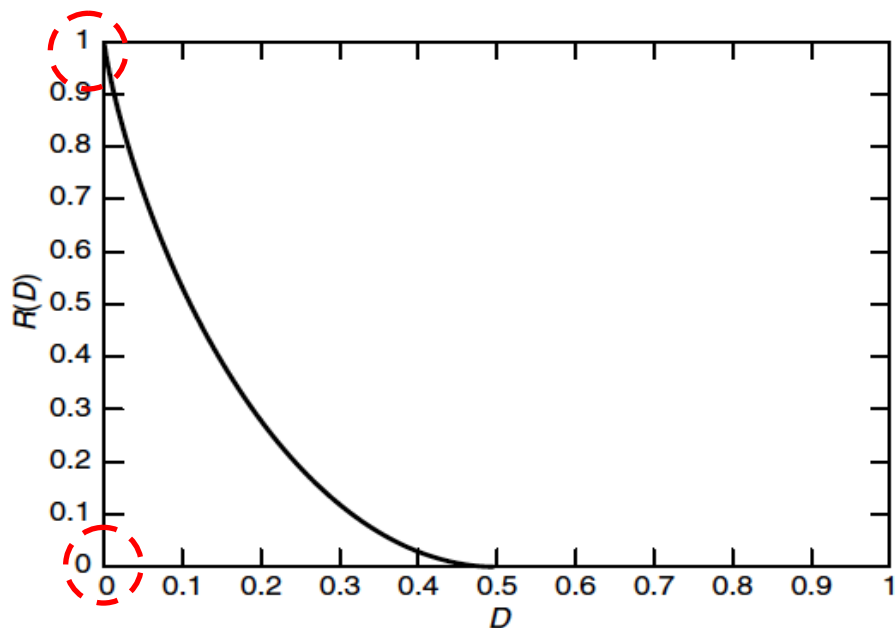
$$\Pr(X = 0) = \frac{1}{2}; \quad \Pr(X = 1) = \frac{1}{2}$$

- The rate distortion function:

$$R(D) = \begin{cases} 1-h(D) & \text{if } 0 \leq D < \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} \leq D \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

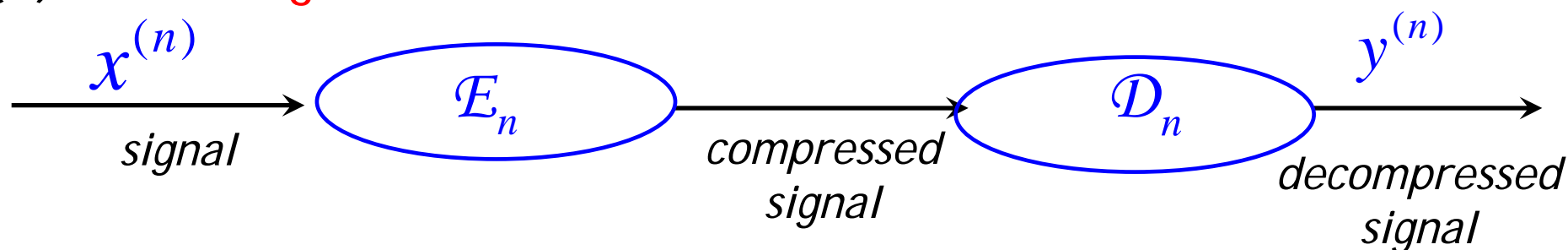
$$h(D) = -D \log D - (1-D) \log(1-D)$$

[binary entropy]



(Q) How is the distortion measured?

(A) On average:



$$x^{(n)} = (x_1, \dots, x_i, \dots, x_n);$$

$$y^{(n)} = (y_1, \dots, y_i, \dots, y_n)$$

average distortion

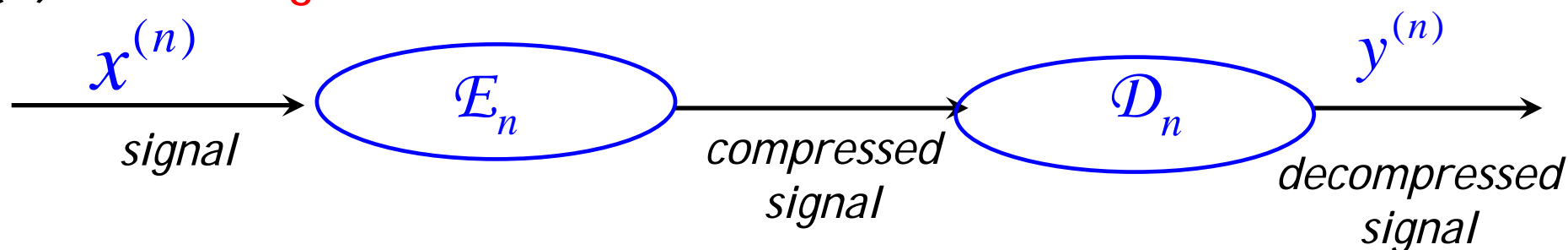
$$\bar{d}(x^n, \mathcal{D}_n \circ \mathcal{E}_n) \equiv \bar{d}(x^n, y^n) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n d(x_i, y_i)$$

single-letter distortion measure
(e.g. Hamming distortion)

$$d(x_i, y_i) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x_i = y_i \\ 1 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

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$R(D)$: One requires:
 $\exists \mathcal{E}_n, \mathcal{D}_n$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \bar{d} \left(x^{(n)}, y^{(n)} \right) \leq D$$

Theorem (Shannon): For a memoryless info. source $X \sim p_X$
rate distortion function

$$R(D) = \min_{p_{Y|X}} I(X:Y)$$

mutual information

$$\mathbf{E}(d(X, Y)) \leq D$$

Y : output of a stochastic map $p_{Y|X} : X \rightarrow Y$

$d(x, y)$: distortion measure

Our Aim

To obtain rate distortion functions in the quantum realm

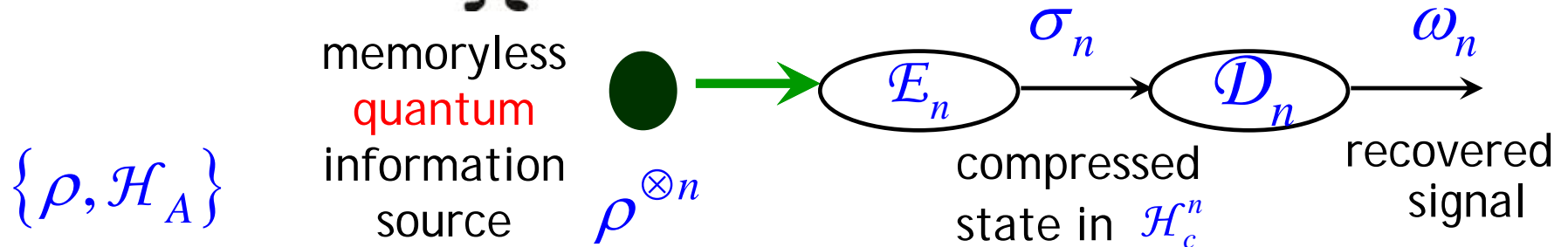
Motivation

- when storage is insufficient
- to derive the quantum analogue of a cornerstone of
Classical Information Theory

Scenario for Quantum Rate Distortion

for a fixed $0 \leq D < 1$

Storage setting



Rate of data compression = R if $\dim \mathcal{H}_c^n \approx 2^{nR}$

For a fixed D :

R : achievable rate - if

$R \equiv R(D)$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \bar{d}(\rho^{\otimes n}, \mathcal{D}_n \circ \mathcal{E}_n) \leq D$$

average distortion of $\rho^{\otimes n}$ under $\mathcal{D}_n \circ \mathcal{E}_n$

Quantum Rate Distortion function

$R_q(D) := \inf\{R : \text{achievable}\}$

(minimum rate of compression under distortion D)

Average Distortion

$$\mathcal{E}_n : \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{H}^{\otimes n}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{H}_c^n) \quad \mathcal{D}_n : \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{H}_c^n) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{H}^{\otimes n})$$

$$\bar{d}(\rho^{\otimes n}, \mathcal{D}_n \circ \mathcal{E}_n) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n d(\rho, \mathcal{F}_n^{(i)})$$

$$\mathcal{F}_n := \mathcal{D}_n \circ \mathcal{E}_n$$

$\mathcal{F}_n^{(i)}$ = marginal operation (CPTP) induced on the i^{th} copy of the source space

A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n

$$\mathcal{F}_n^{(i)}(\rho) = \text{Tr}_{A_1, \dots, A_{i-1}, A_{i+1}, \dots, A_n} \left(\mathcal{D}_n \circ \mathcal{E}_n \left(\rho^{\otimes n} \right) \right)$$

$\forall \mathcal{N} : \text{CPTP},$

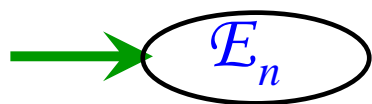
$$d(\rho, \mathcal{N}) = 1 - F_e(\rho, \mathcal{N})$$

entanglement fidelity

$R_q(D)$: Quantum Rate Distortion Function

- Storage setting:

n copies of
the source



compressed
signal



recover
original
signals up to
distortion D

An Equivalent Scenario for Quantum Rate Distortion

- Communication setting:



$R_q(D)$ = minimum rate at which Alice
needs to send qubits to Bob



σ_n
compresses



noiseless qubit
Channels



recover original
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distortion D

n copies of
the source

- **Aim:** find an expression for $R_q(D)$

- For $D = 0$: Schumacher's theorem

$R_q(D) = S(\rho)$: von Neumann entropy

- What is $R_q(D)$ for $D > 0$?

- A guess for $R_q(D)$: *in analogy with the classical case*

Classical case

$$R(D) = \min_{p_{Y|X}} I(X : Y)$$

$$\mathbf{E}(d(X, Y)) \leq D$$

stochastic map / classical channel

A guess for $R_q(D)$: in analogy with the classical case

Classical case

$$R(D) = \min I(X : Y)$$

\mathcal{N} : channel

$$\mathcal{N}(X) = Y$$

$$\mathbf{E}(d(X, Y)) \leq D$$

Quantum case

$$R_q(D) = \min I_c(\rho, \mathcal{N})$$

\mathcal{N} : quantum
channel

$$d(\rho, \mathcal{N}) \leq D$$

Classical capacity of a channel

$$C(\mathcal{N}) = \max_{p_X} I(X : Y)$$

Quantum capacity of a q.channel

$$Q(\mathcal{N}) = \max_{\rho} I_c(\rho, \mathcal{N})$$

(degradable)

*coherent
information*

$$\mathcal{N} \equiv \mathcal{D} \circ \mathcal{E} : x \rightarrow y$$

stochastic map: $X \rightarrow Y$

Quantum Rate Distortion Function

Howard Barnum
conjecture '98

$$R_q(D) = \min_{\substack{\mathcal{N}: \text{CPTP} \\ d(\rho, N) \leq D}} I_c(\rho, \mathcal{N}) \dots (1)$$

coherent information

$$\omega_{RB} = (id_R \otimes \mathcal{N}_{A \rightarrow B}) \varphi_{RA}^\rho;$$

●
purification

$$I_c(\rho, N) = S(\omega_B) - S(\omega_{RB})$$

■ He proved: " \geq " holds in (1)

problem!!

- the coherent information can be negative
- BUT
- The rate of a data compression scheme is non-negative !!

- What is $R_q(D)$ for $D > 0$?

- **Theorem:** An achievable rate for quantum rate distortion with parameter D :

$$\min_{\substack{\mathcal{N} \\ d(\rho, \mathcal{N}) \leq D}} E_p(\rho, \mathcal{N})$$

Entanglement of purification

[Terhal, M. Horodecki,
Leung, DiVincenzo]

$$\omega_{RB} = (id_R \otimes \mathcal{N}_{A \rightarrow B}) \varphi_{RA}^\rho;$$

$$|\omega_{RBE}\rangle: \text{a purification of } \omega_{RB}; \quad \omega_{BE} = \text{Tr}_R |\omega_{RBE}\rangle \langle \omega_{RBE}|$$

$$E_p(\rho, \mathcal{N}) = \min_{\Lambda_E: \text{CPTP}} S((id_B \otimes \Lambda_E) \omega_{BE}) \geq 0$$

- (Q): Is the rate:

$$\min_{\mathcal{N}} E_p(\rho, \mathcal{N})$$

$d(\rho, \mathcal{N}) \leq D$

optimal too?

- If so, we would have: for a given distortion parameter

$$R_q(D) = \min_{\mathcal{N}} E_p(\rho, \mathcal{N})$$

$d(\rho, \mathcal{N}) \leq D$

- (A) No! We can do better by regularizing.

Result - II

Theorem: Quantum rate distortion function for $\{\rho, \mathcal{H}_A\}$:

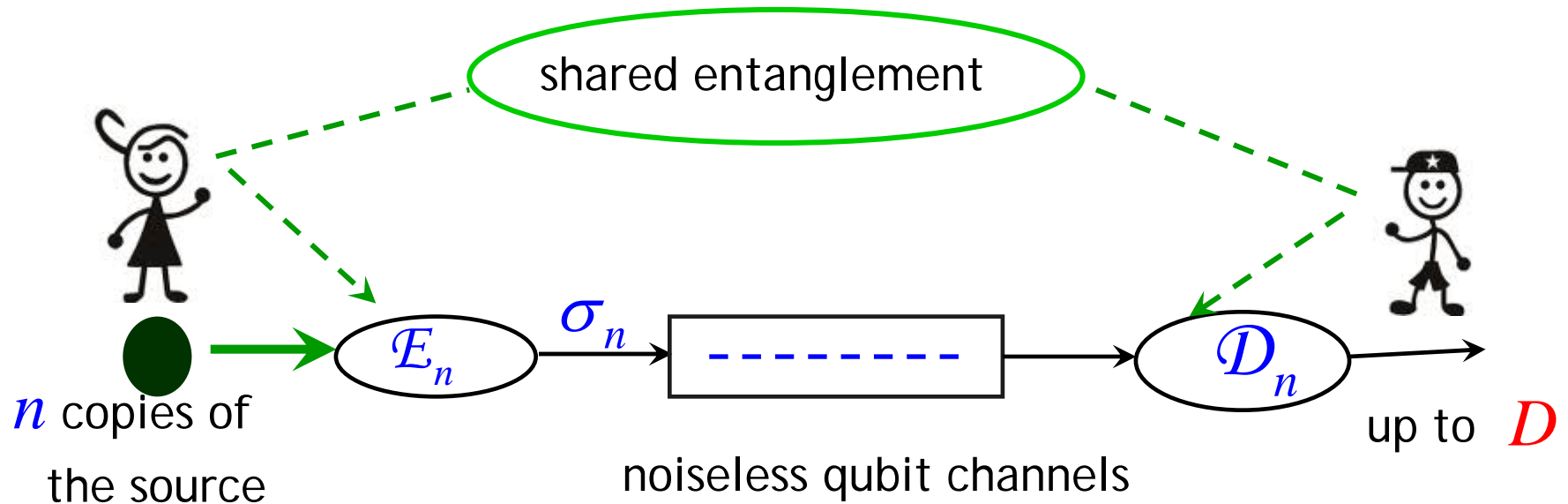
$$R_q(D) = E_p^\infty \quad \text{regularized entanglement of purification}$$

$$R_q(D) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \min_{\substack{\mathcal{N}^{(n)} \\ \bar{d}(\rho^{\otimes n}, \mathcal{N}^{(n)}) \leq D}} E_p(\rho^{\otimes n}, \mathcal{N}^{(n)})$$

- **Advantage:** (unlike Barnum's)
 - Exact expression for $R_q(D)$; not just a lower bound
 - above expression always ≥ 0
- **Disadvantage:**
 - regularized formula - not tractable.

Another Scenario for Quantum Rate Distortion

- Communication setting: (entanglement assisted)

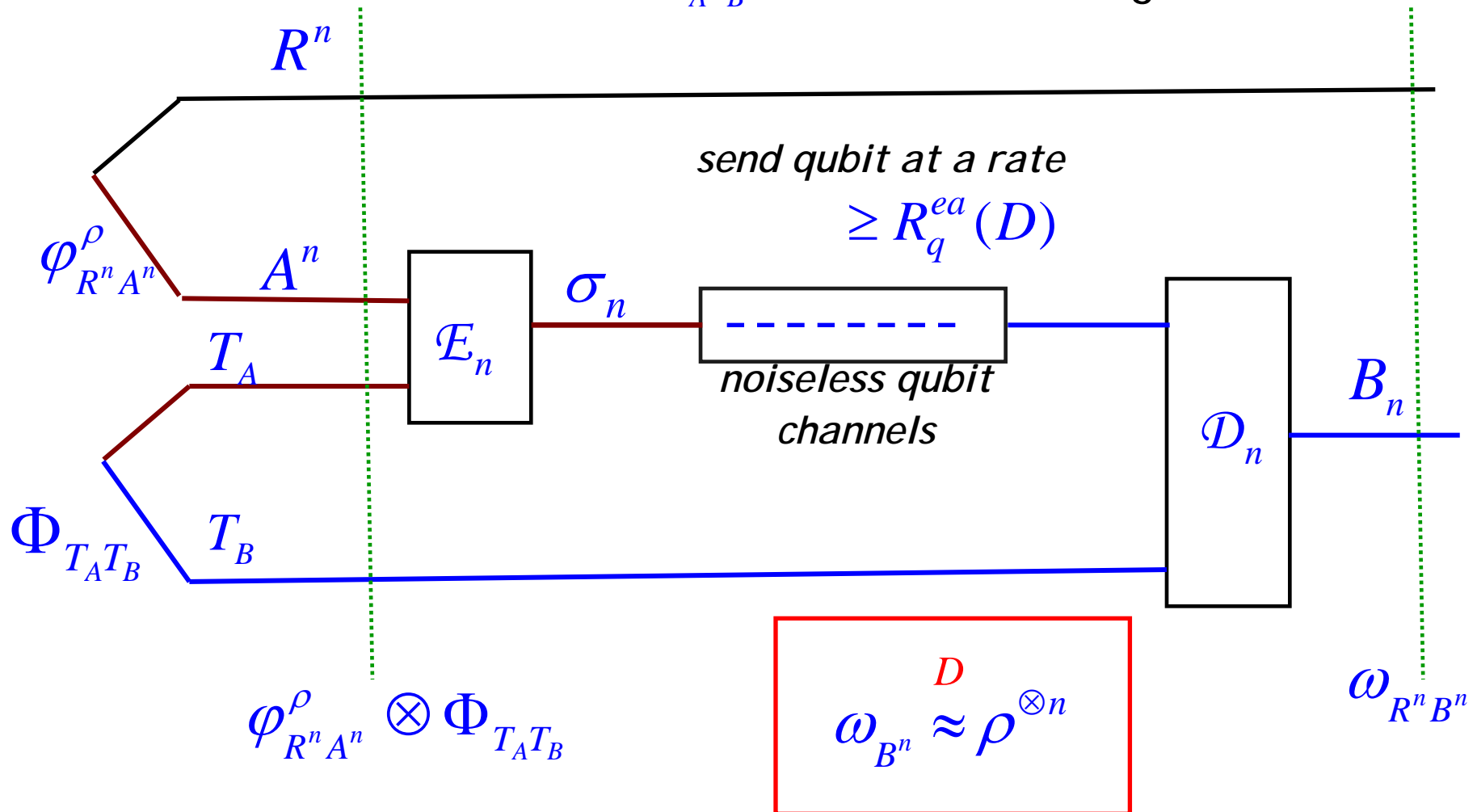


$$R_q^{ea}(D) = \text{entanglement-assisted (EA) quantum rate distortion function}$$

= minimum rate at which Alice needs to send qubits to Bob in this case

Entanglement-assisted quantum rate distortion

- Source: $\{\rho, \mathcal{H}_A\}$; n copies: $\rho^{\otimes n}$; purification: $\varphi_{R^n A^n}^\rho$
- $\Phi_{T_A T_B}$: shared entangled state



Result - III

- EA quantum rate distortion function:

$$R_q^{ea}(D) = \min_{\substack{\mathcal{N}: \text{CPTP} \\ d(\rho, N) \leq D}} \frac{1}{2} I(R:B)_\omega \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

quantum mutual information

$$\omega_{RB} = (id_R \otimes \mathcal{N}_{A \rightarrow B}) \varphi_{RA}^\rho;$$

Result - II

Theorem: EA quantum rate distortion function:

$$R_q(D) \geq R_q^{ea}(D) = \min_{\substack{N: \text{CPTP} \\ d(\rho, N) \leq D}} \frac{1}{2} I(R : B)_\omega \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

quantum mutual information

- We obtain a **single-letter** expression for $R_q^{ea}(D)$
- It provides a single-letter **lower bound** for $R_q(D)$
- Respects the **analogy** with the classical case

$R(D) = \min I(X : Y)$		$R_q^{ea}(D) = \min \frac{1}{2} I(R : B)$
$C(\mathcal{N}) = \max_{p_X} I(X : Y)$		$Q_{ea}(\mathcal{N}) = \max_{\rho} \frac{1}{2} I(R : B)$

- Example: Isotropic qubit source $\rho = \frac{I}{2}$

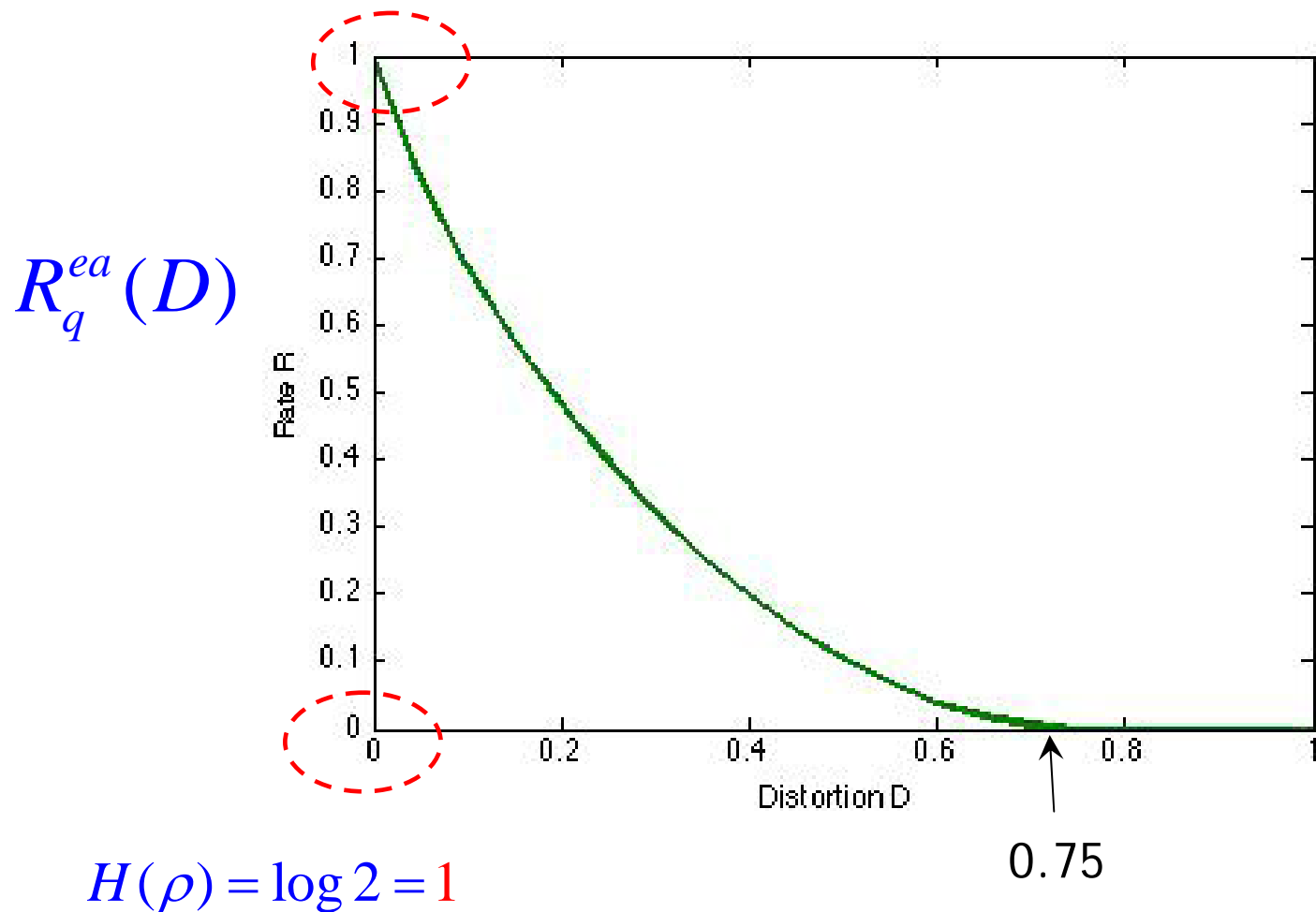
Theorem III: EA quantum rate distortion function:

$$R_q^{ea}(D) = \min_{\substack{\mathcal{N}: \text{CPTP} \\ d(\rho, \mathcal{N}) \leq D}} \frac{1}{2} I(R:B)_\omega$$

quantum mutual information

$$R_q^{ea}(D) = \begin{cases} 1 - \frac{1}{2} H\left(1 - D, \frac{D}{3}, \frac{D}{3}, \frac{D}{3}\right) & \text{if } 0 \leq D \leq \frac{3}{4} \\ 0 & \text{if } \frac{3}{4} < D \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

- Example: Isotropic qubit source $\rho = \frac{I}{2}$ contd.



Summary of results: For a source $\{\rho, \mathcal{H}_A\}$:

Theorem I: An **achievable rate** for QRD, for a distortion D ,

$$\min_{\substack{\mathcal{N} \\ d(\rho, \mathcal{N}) \leq D}} E_p(\rho, \mathcal{N}) \quad \text{entanglement of purification}$$

Theorem II: Quantum rate distortion function $\{\rho, \mathcal{H}_A\}$:

for

$$R_q(D) = E_p^\infty \quad \text{regularized entanglement of purification}$$

Theorem III: Entanglement Assisted quantum rate distortion fn:

$$R_q^{ea}(D) = \min_{\substack{N: \text{CPTP} \\ d(\rho, N) \leq D}} \frac{1}{2} I(R : B)_\omega \dots\dots\dots(2) \quad \text{quantum mutual information}$$

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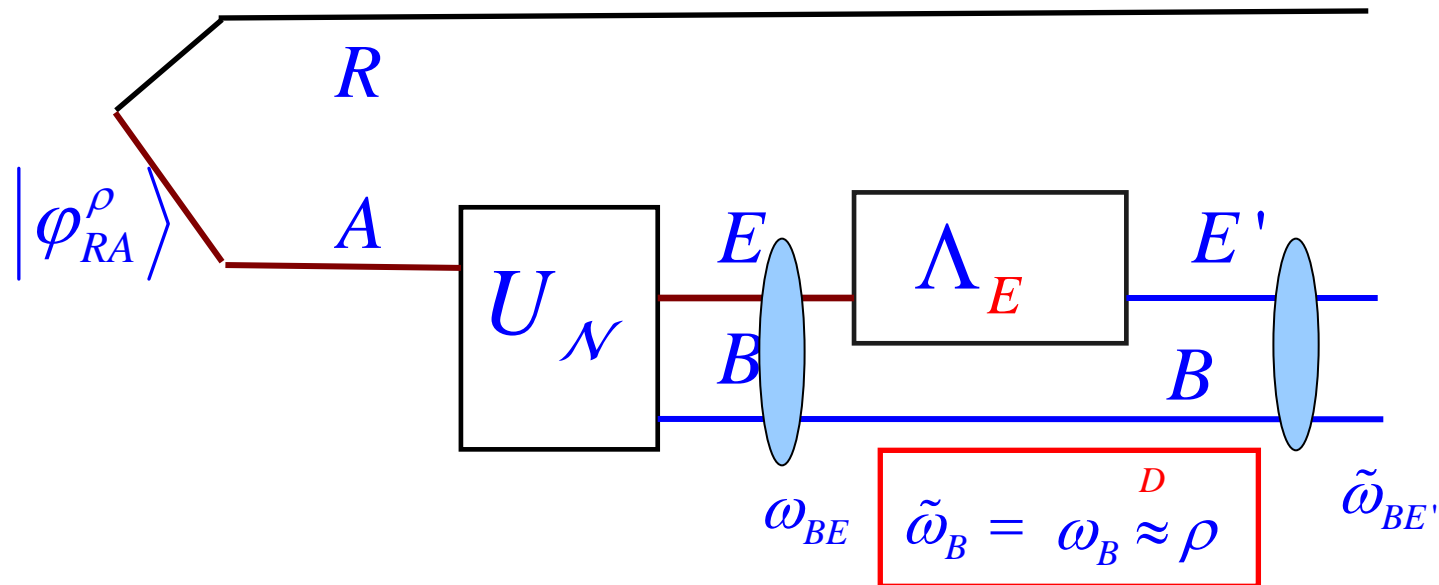
entanglement of purification

Sketch of Proof

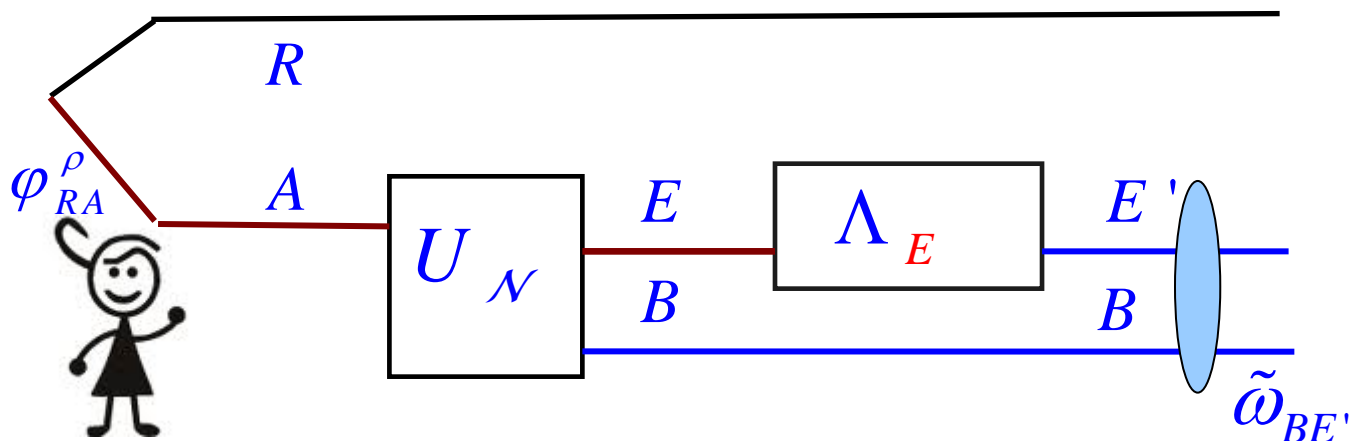
Theorem I: $\min_{\substack{\mathcal{N} \\ d(\rho, \mathcal{N}) \leq D}} E_p(\rho, \mathcal{N})$ is an achievable rate


Sketch of proof:

- Find $\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{N}_{A \rightarrow B}$ which minimizes the above.
- Let $U_{\mathcal{N}} = U_{\mathcal{N}}^{A \rightarrow BE}$ be an isometric extension of it
- Alice has $\rho^{\otimes n}$; purification $|\varphi_{RA}^{\rho}\rangle^{\otimes n}$
- On each copy ρ she acts as follows; Λ_E : a CPTP map



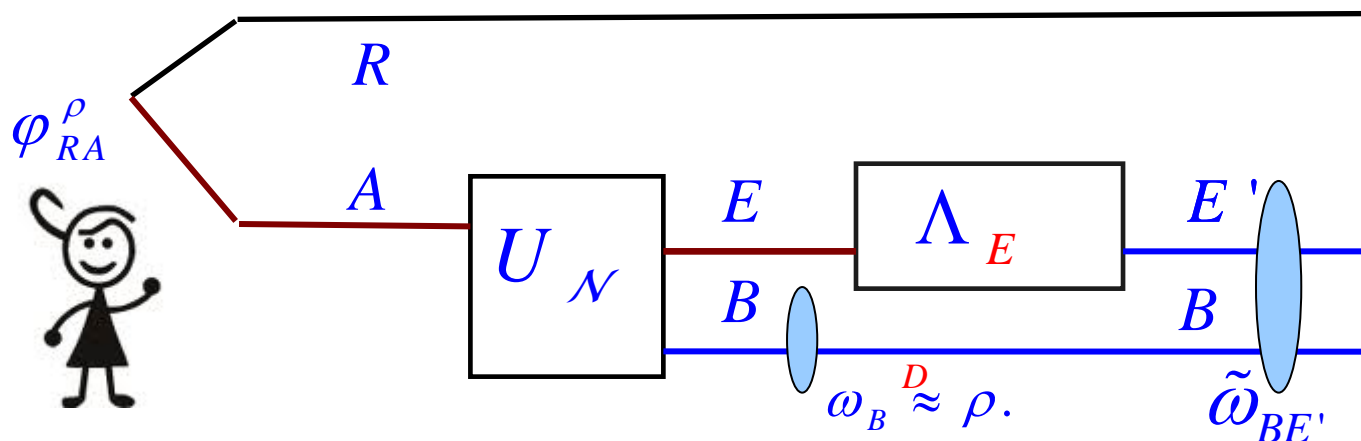
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- Alice generates $(\tilde{\omega}_{BE'})^{\otimes n}$; $\tilde{\omega}_{BE'} = (id_B \otimes \Lambda_E) \omega_{BE}$
- She **Schumacher compresses** $(\tilde{\omega}_{BE'})^{\otimes n}$ at a **rate** $S(\tilde{\omega}_{BE'})$
- Sends qubits at a rate $S(\tilde{\omega}_{BE'})$ to Bob
 
- Bob **decompresses** and then traces out the E' systems
- He gets $\omega_B^{\otimes n}$ & hence $\omega_B \stackrel{D}{\approx} \rho$.
- **Minimum rate** $\min_{\Lambda_E} S(\tilde{\omega}_{BE'}) = \min_{\Lambda_E} S((id_B \otimes \Lambda_E) \omega_{BE}) \equiv E_p(\rho, \mathcal{N})$



$\min_{\mathcal{N}} E_p(\rho, \mathcal{N})$ is an achievable rate **contd.**
 $d(\rho, \mathcal{N}) \leq D$



- Why do Λ_E ?
- Why not just send the systems B to Bob?
After all $\omega_B \approx \rho$.
- Schumacher compress $\omega_B^{\otimes n}$; rate = $S(\omega_B)$
 - That's because we could have

$$S(\tilde{\omega}_{BE'}) \leq S(\tilde{\omega}_B) = S(\omega_B) \quad (\text{due to entanglement})$$

- **Minimum rate** $\min_{\Lambda_E} S(\tilde{\omega}_{BE'}) \equiv E_p(\rho, \mathcal{N})$

- In the Entanglement-Assisted (EA) case:

---- We obtain a **more fundamental result** corresponding to a **more realistic scenario**

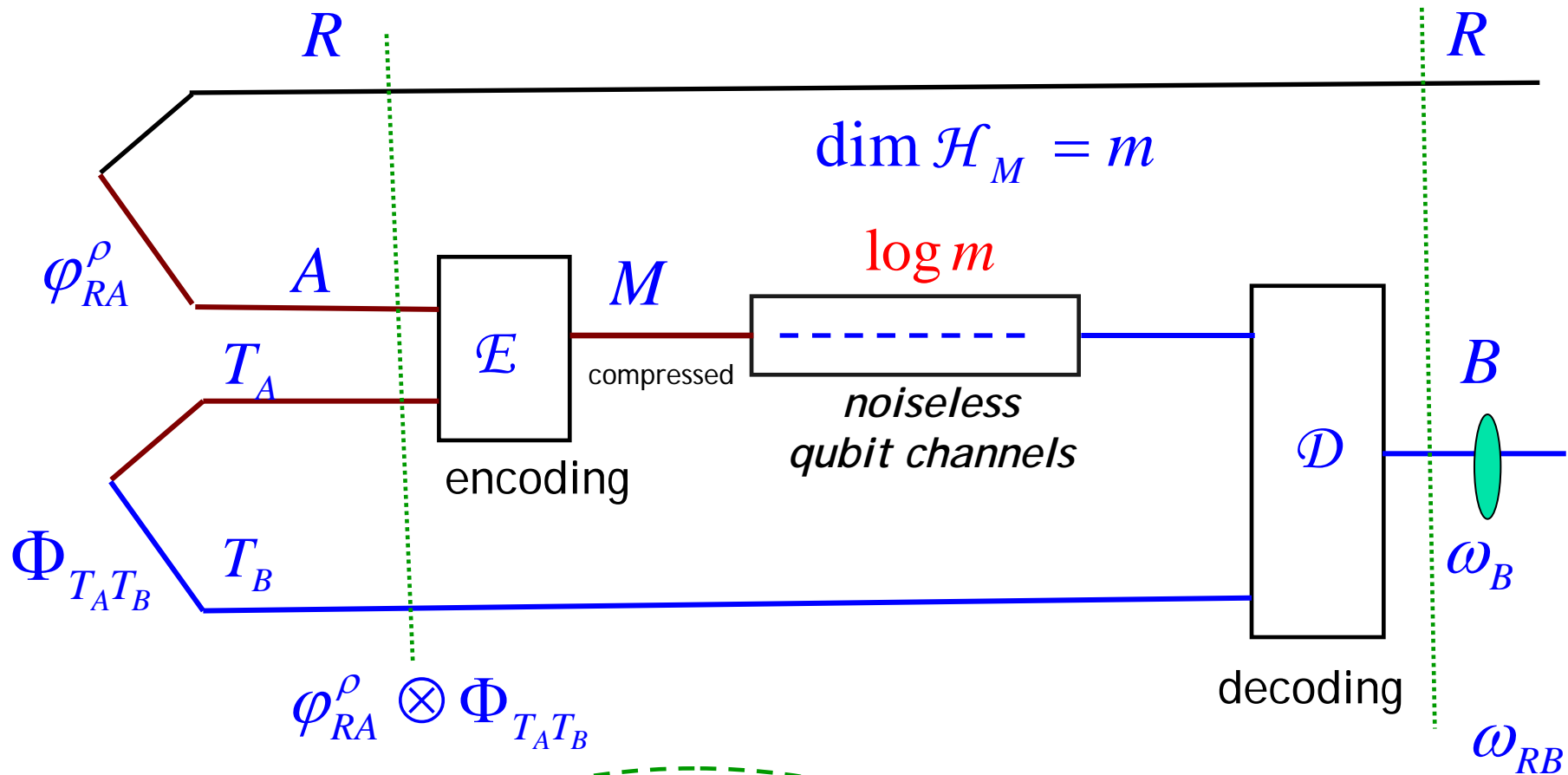
- Instead of asymptotically many uses of the source, Alice is allowed to **use the source only once!**
- She shares an **entangled state** with Bob

(Q) For a fixed value of the **distortion parameter D** , what is the **minimum number of qubits** that Alice needs to send to Bob so that he can **recover** the signal emitted by a **single copy of the source**, up to a **maximum distortion D** ?

A characterization of : ***one-shot EA lossy quantum data compression***

One-shot EA lossy quantum data compression

- Alice has a **single copy** of the source



- **Aim:** Find $\min_{\{\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{D}\}} \{ \log m \}$ such that $\omega_B^D \approx \rho$

[One-shot analogue of $R_q^{ea}(D)$]

- In **asymptotic, memoryless** case: $\omega_{B^n} \overset{D}{\approx} \rho^{\otimes n}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \bar{d}(\rho^{\otimes n}, \omega_{B^n}) \leq D$$

distortion

- In **one-shot case** :

-- requiring $d(\rho, \omega_B) \leq D$ too stringent

-- natural to allow for a non-zero error

-- instead require: $\Pr(d(\rho, \omega_B) > D) \leq \varepsilon$

$$\log m^* := \min_{\substack{\{E, \mathcal{D}\}: \\ \Pr(d(\rho, \omega_B) > D) \leq \varepsilon}} \{\log m\}$$

[One-shot analogue of $R_q^{ea}(D)$]

$$m^* \equiv m^*(D, \varepsilon)$$

Result IV

Theorem IV: One-shot EA lossy quantum data compression:

Minimum number of qubits needed:

$$\log m^* \approx \min_{\substack{\mathcal{N}: \text{CPTP} \\ \Pr(d(\rho, \omega_B) > D) \leq \varepsilon}} \frac{1}{2} I_{\max}^{\varepsilon} (R : B)_{\omega}$$

smoothed max-information

$$\omega_{RB} = (id_R \otimes \mathcal{N}) \varphi_{RA}^{\rho};$$

- Compare with the **asymptotic, memoryless result:**

Theorem III: EA quantum rate distortion function:

$$R_q^{ea}(D) = \min_{\substack{\mathcal{N}: \text{CPTP} \\ d(\rho, \mathcal{N}) \leq D}} \frac{1}{2} I (R : B)_{\omega}$$

quantum mutual information

Definition: max-information

- Quantum mutual information

$$I(R : B)_\omega := D(\omega_{RB} \parallel \omega_R \otimes \omega_B)$$

$$I(R : B)_\omega = \min_{\sigma_B} D(\omega_{RB} \parallel \omega_R \otimes \sigma_B)$$

- Quantum relative entropy

$$D(\rho \parallel \sigma) := \text{Tr}(\rho \log \rho) - \text{Tr}(\rho \log \sigma)$$

- Max-information

$$I_{\max}(R : B)_\omega := \min_{\sigma_B} D_{\max}(\omega_{RB} \parallel \omega_R \otimes \sigma_B)$$

Max-relative entropy

- **Definition: Max-relative entropy**

[ND; 2008]

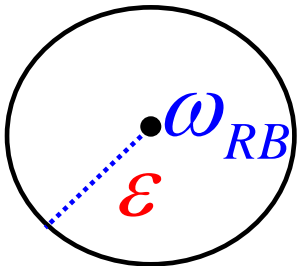
- The **max- relative entropy** of a state ρ & a positive operator σ is

$$D_{\max}(\rho \parallel \sigma) := \inf \{ \gamma : \rho \leq 2^\gamma \sigma \}$$

$$I_{\max}(R : B)_\omega := \min_{\sigma_B} D_{\max}(\omega_{RB} \parallel \omega_R \otimes \sigma_B)$$

- Smoothed Max- information

$$I_{\max}^\varepsilon(R : B)_\omega := \min_{\bar{\omega}_{RB} \in B^\varepsilon(\omega_{RB})} I_{\max}(R : B)_{\bar{\omega}}$$



$B^\varepsilon(\omega_{RB})$

Theorem IV:

$$\log m^* \approx \min \frac{1}{2} I_{\max}^{\varepsilon} (R : B)_{\omega}$$

[ND, R, R, W]

smoothed max-information

One-shot result “more fundamental” : Why?

- One-shot result $\xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty}$ asymptotic memoryless result
 (Theorem IV) (Theorem III)

$$\log m^* \approx \min \frac{1}{2} I_{\max}^{\varepsilon} (R : B)_{\omega} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} R_q^{ea}(D) = \min \frac{1}{2} I (R : B)_{\omega}$$

because,

$$\forall 0 < \varepsilon < 1, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} I_{\max}^{\varepsilon} (R^n : B^n)_{\omega_{RB}^{\otimes n}} = I (R : B)_{\omega}$$

- In a nutshell.....

What's exciting?

TIMELINE

Classical Case

- 1948 Shannon $D = 0$
- 1959 Shannon $D > 0$

Quantum Case

- 1995 Schumacher $D = 0$
- 1998 Barnum's conjecture
 $D > 0$

rejuvenation of a dormant field !

only 3 papers

- 2012-13 : a host of new results!

Summary

- Thm I: An **achievable rate** for quantum rate distortion
---- in terms of **entanglement of purification**

- Thm II: Quantum rate distortion function, $R_q(D)$:
---- terms of **regularised** entanglement of purification

- Thm III: ■ entanglement-assisted quantum rate distortion function
 $R_q^{ea}(D)$:
 - **single-letter** formula
 - in terms of the **quantum mutual information**

- Thm IV: ■ characterization of **One-shot** EA lossy quantum data compression ----- in terms of **smoothed max-information**

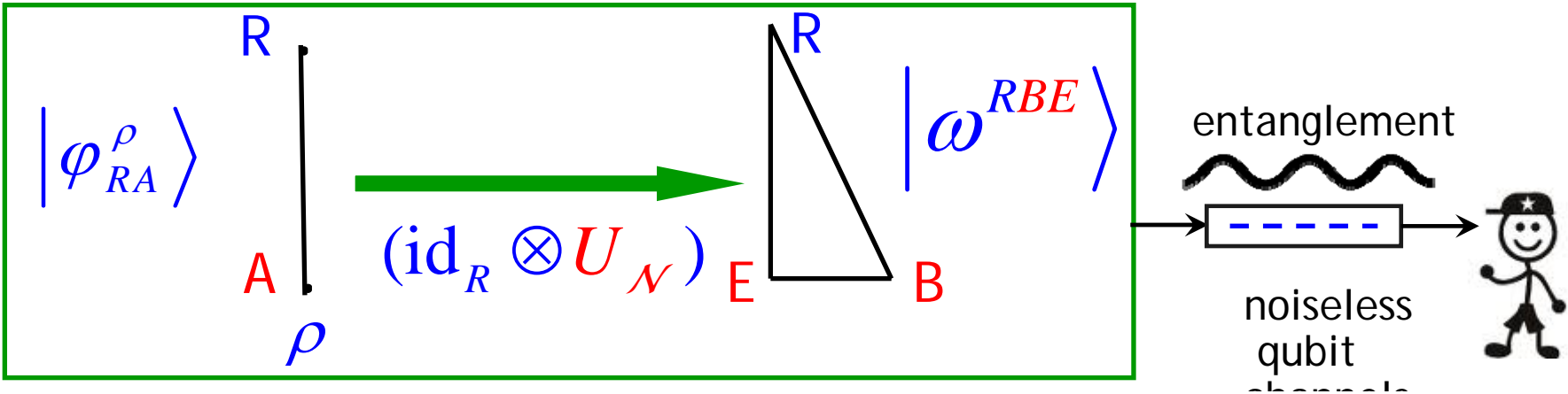
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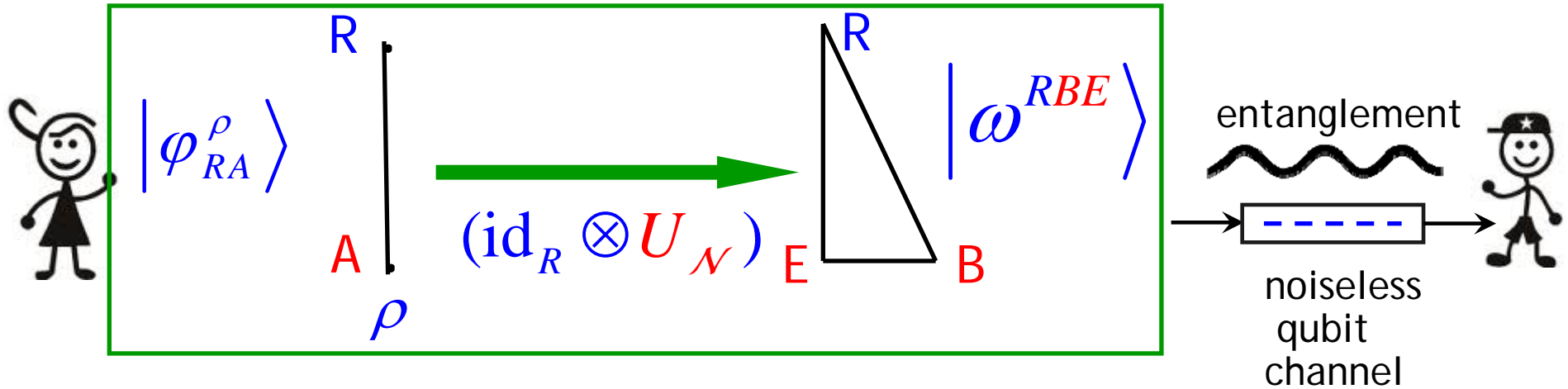
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$$\omega_{RB} = (id_R \otimes \mathcal{N}_{A \rightarrow B}) \varphi_{RA}^\rho;$$

■ *Sketch of proof of achievability*

- Let $\mathcal{N} =$ the minimizing CPTP map in (1)
- Let $U_{\mathcal{N}} : A \rightarrow BE$ an isometric extension of \mathcal{N}





- Note: $\omega_B := \mathcal{N}(\rho)$ satisfies $d(\rho, \mathcal{N}) \leq D$

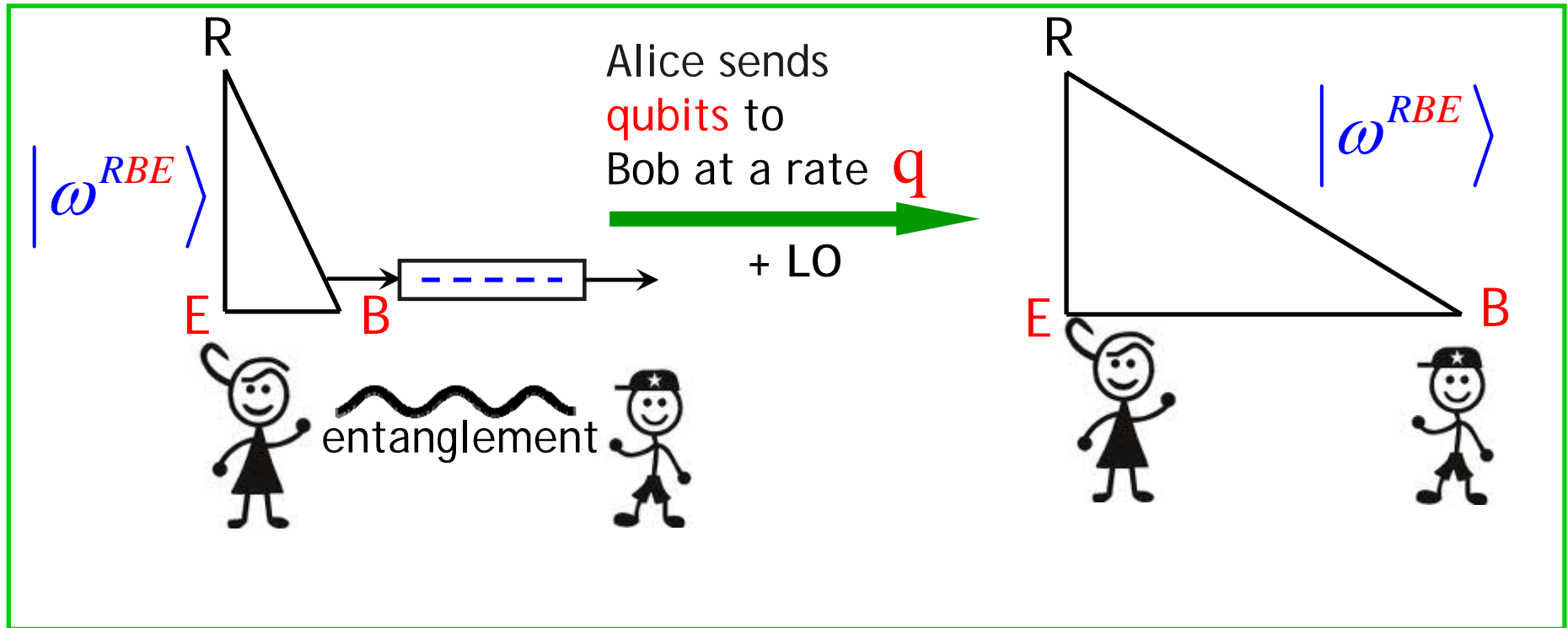
To prove: $R_q^{ea} = \min_{\substack{N: \text{CPTP} \\ d(\rho, N) \leq D}} \frac{1}{2} I(R : B)_\omega$ is achievable

Suffices to prove:

Bob can get the state ω_B if Alice sends her qubits at a rate $\frac{1}{2} I(R : B)_\omega$

Quantum State splitting

- How can we transfer ω_B to Bob: ?



*Bennett et al;
Berta et al.*

$$q = \frac{1}{2} I(R:B)_\omega$$

achievable rate !



Asymptotic setting

(i) **local preparation** of

$$\rho^{\otimes n} \xrightarrow{U_{\mathcal{N}}^{\otimes n}} \omega_{BE}^{\otimes n}$$

(ii) **State splitting** with the help

$$\approx \omega_B^{\otimes n}$$

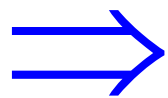
of **shared entanglement** such that

$$\omega_B = \mathcal{N}(\rho)$$



≡ **simulating** the (output of the) **quantum channel** $\mathcal{N}^{\otimes n}$
 when the input is $\rho^{\otimes n}$ (using **shared entanglement**)

= a **special case** of another protocol -- **channel simulation**
 - **Quantum Reverse Shannon Theorem (QRST)**



achievability of the expression for $R_q^{ea}(D)$

Open Questions

- Can one find a **single-letter expression** for the **unassisted** quantum rate distortion function $R_q(D)$?
- Can one find bounds on the **one-shot analogue** $(\log m^*)$ of the unassisted quantum rate distortion function ?

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Proof of converse bound:

- Assume: $\exists \mathcal{E}_n, \mathcal{D}_n$; s.t. if Alice sends qubits at a rate r , Bob can recover the state $\omega_{B^n} \underset{D}{\approx} \rho^{\otimes n}$ for n large enough.

- Prove that

$$r \geq \min_{\substack{N: \text{CPTP} \\ d(\rho, N) \leq D}} \frac{1}{2} I(R : B)_\omega \equiv R_q^{ea}(D)$$

- Tools used:

(i) entropic inequalities - e.g. data-processing inequality for the $I(R : B)_\omega$

(ii) Properties of the expression for $R_q^{ea}(D)$

e.g. it is a convex, non-increasing function of D , etc.