

# Pairwise correlation inequalities and joint measurability



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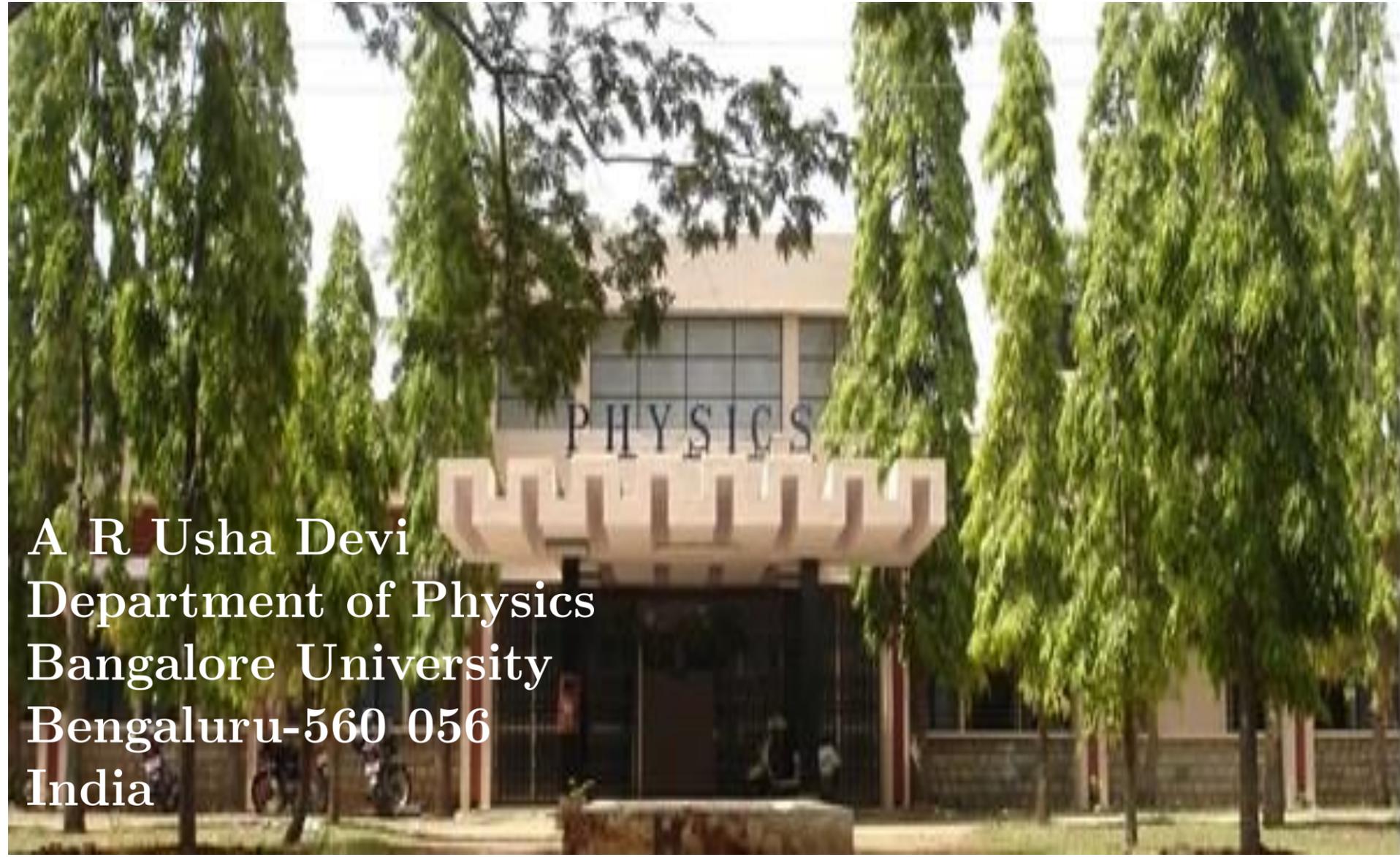




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# Outline

- **Bell-CHSH inequality and EPR Steering**
- **Positive Operator Valued (POV) observables and unsharp measurements**
- **Compatible (jointly measurable) POVMs**
- **N-term correlation inequality and joint measurability**
- **Equivalence between steering and joint measurability**



# Bell's Inequality



**Predictions of quantum mechanics cannot be squared with the belief, called local realism that physical systems have realistic properties whose pre-existing values are revealed by measurements. The predictions of quantum mechanics for spatially separated systems are at odds with any version of local realism**



## Bell-CHSH Correlation Inequality:

$$|\langle A_1 B_1 \rangle + \langle A_1 B_2 \rangle + \langle A_2 B_1 \rangle - \langle A_2 B_2 \rangle| \leq 2$$

## Quantum mechanical violation:

$$|\langle A_1 B_1 \rangle + \langle A_1 B_2 \rangle + \langle A_2 B_1 \rangle - \langle A_2 B_2 \rangle|_{\text{QM}}^{\text{max}} = 2\sqrt{2}.$$

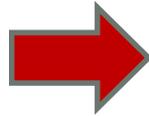
Quantum Tsirelson Bound

Algebraic Maximum of CHSH: 4 → Generalized Probability Theory (beyond quantum theory)

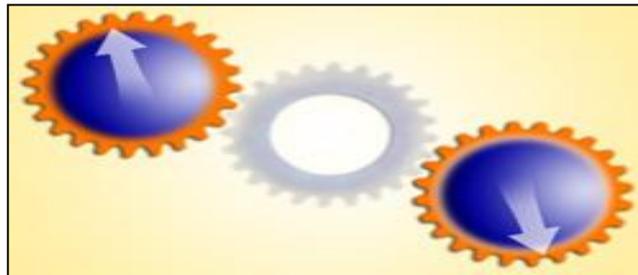
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**EPR Steering**

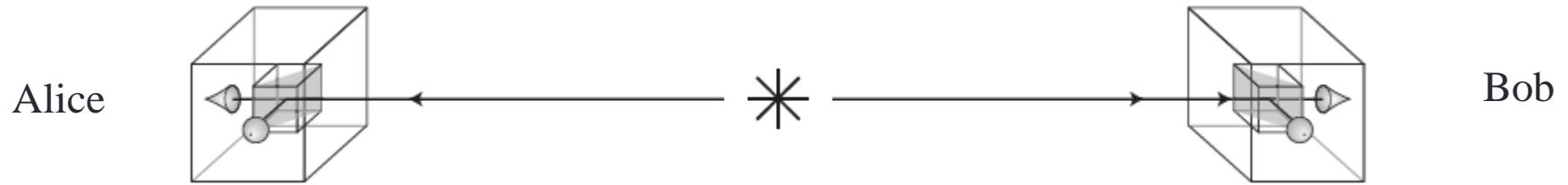


The ability to non-locally alter the states of one part of a composite system by performing measurements on another space-like separated part.

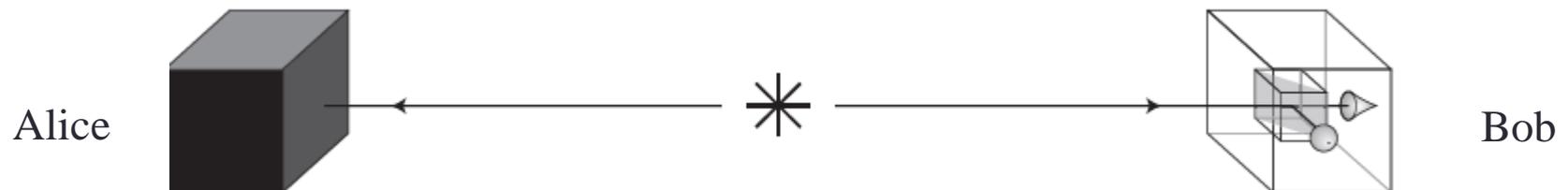


## Non-local EPR Steering

( N. Brunner, News and views, nature physics, 6, 842 (2010))



**Trusted devices -- Bell-CHSH scenario**



**Bob cannot trust Alice! Verifies if a 'Steering Inequality' is violated**

# Non-local steering

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- Suppose Alice prepares a bipartite quantum state  $\rho_{AB}$  and sends a subsystem to Bob.
- If the state is entangled, and Alice chooses suitable local measurements, on her part of the state, she can affect Bob's quantum state remotely.
- How would Bob convince himself that his state is indeed steered by Alice's local measurements?

# EPR Steering

- It could be that Alice is not honest; she does not prepare a composite state  $\rho_{AB}$  at all; but she chooses the states  $\rho_\lambda$  with probability  $g(\lambda)$  from a chosen ensemble and sends it to Bob.
- Bob asks Alice to perform local measurements of the observables  $\mathbf{X}_k = \sum_{a_k} a_k \Pi_{x_k}(a_k)$ , on her part of the state and communicate the outcomes  $a_k$  in each experimental trial.
- Alice might merely communicate a fake outcome  $a_k$  to have occurred with the probability  $p(a_k|k) = \sum_\lambda g(\lambda) p(a_k|k, \lambda)$ ,  $\sum_{a_k} p(a_k|k, \lambda) = 1$ .

**Assemblage:**

$$\rho_{a_k|k} = \text{Tr}_A [\rho_{AB} E_k(a_k) \otimes I]$$

## Contd...

- If Bob's conditional reduced states (unnormalized)

$$\varrho_{a_k|x_k}^B = \text{Tr}_A[\Pi_{x_k}(a_k) \otimes \mathbb{1}_B \rho_{AB}]$$

admit a Local Hidden State (LHS) decomposition viz.,

$$\varrho_{a_k|x_k} = \sum_{\lambda} p(\lambda) p(a_k|x_k, \lambda) \rho_{\lambda}^B$$

where

$$0 \leq p(\lambda) \leq 1, \quad \sum_{\lambda} p(\lambda) = 1$$

and

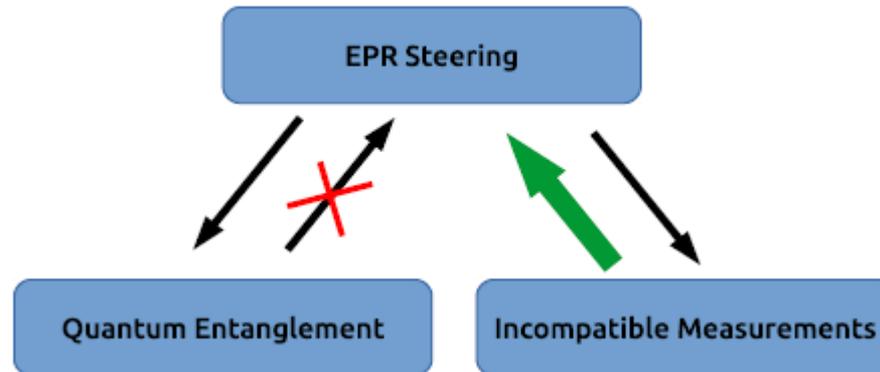
$$0 \leq p(a_k|x_k, \lambda) \leq 1, \quad \sum_{a_k} p(a_k|x_k, \lambda) = 1$$

(  $(p_{\lambda}, \rho_{\lambda}^B)$  denote Bob's LHS ensemble)

then Bob can declare that Alice is not able to steer his state through local measurements at her end.

- Incompatibility of Alice's local measurements too plays a crucial role in revealing steerability.

# Steering and Joint Measurability are synonymous



**Steering implies both entanglement and incompatible measurements at Bob's end**

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**But Bell non-locality and joint measurability not synonymous (except in the CHSH case).**

# Measurement incompatibility (Non-joint measurability)



- Heisenberg's uncertainty relation points towards incompatibility of non-commuting physical observables. The measurements are called *incompatible* because they are not *jointly measurable*.
- It has been realized that incompatible measurements are necessary to witness the violation of a Bell inequality/EPR steering inequality/non-contextual inequality and so on.

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## Joint measurability, steering, and entropic uncertainty

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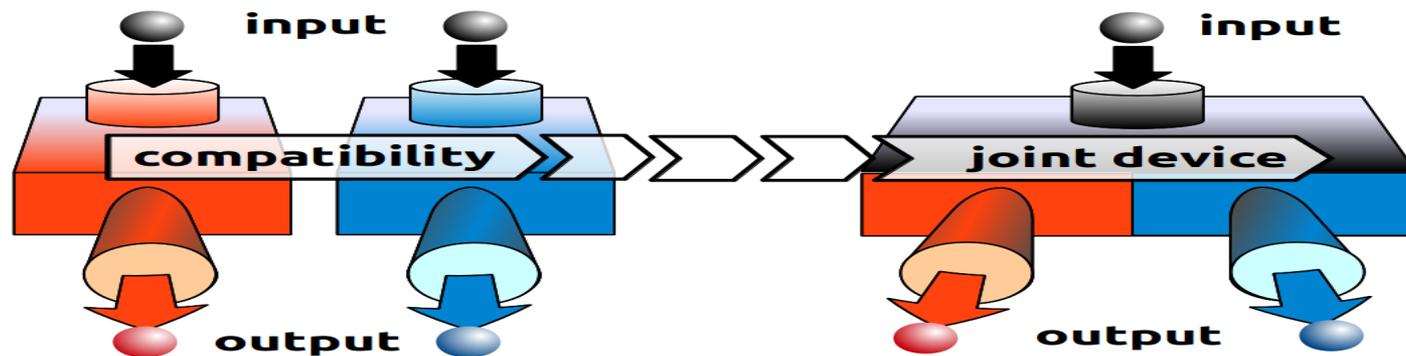
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There has been a surge of research activity recently on the role of joint measurability of unsharp observables in nonlocal features, *viz.*, violation of Bell inequality and EPR steering. Here, we investigate the entropic uncertainty relation for a pair of noncommuting observables (of Alice's system) when an entangled quantum memory of Bob is restricted to record outcomes of jointly measurable positive operator valued measures. We show that with this imposed constraint of joint measurability at Bob's end, the entropic uncertainties associated with Alice's measurement outcomes—conditioned by the results registered at Bob's end—obey an entropic steering inequality. Thus, Bob's nonsteerability is intrinsically linked to his inability to predict the outcomes of Alice's pair of noncommuting observables with better precision, even when they share an entangled state. As a further consequence, we prove that in the joint measurability regime, the quantum advantage envisaged for the construction of security proofs in quantum key distribution is lost.

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- But quantum mechanics places restrictions on how *sharply* two noncommuting observables can be measured jointly.

**Are joint unsharp measurements possible?**

# Extended framework: Joint measurements of Positive Operator Valued (POV) observables

- The orthodox notion of *sharp* projective valued (PV) measurements of self adjoint observables gets broadened to include *unsharp* measurements of POV observables.

# Extended framework: Joint measurements of Positive Operator Valued (POV) observables

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# Positive Operator Valued (POV) observables and unsharp measurements

**Def:** POV observable  $\mathbb{E}$  is a collection  $\{E(x)\}$  of positive self-adjoint operators

$$0 \leq E(x) \leq 1$$

called *effects*.

The *effects* satisfy the condition

$$\sum_x E(x) = \mathbb{1}$$

( $\mathbb{1}$  is the identity operator)

When a quantum system is prepared in the state  $\rho$ , measurement of the POV observable  $\mathbb{E}$  gives an outcome  $x$  with probability

$$p(x) = \text{Tr}[\rho E(x)]$$

# Joint Measurability: Global Positive Operator Valued Measure (POVM)

Consider two POV observables

$$\mathbb{E}_i = \{E_i(x_i)\}, \quad i = 1, 2$$

These two POVMs are jointly measurable if there exists a *global* POVM

$$\mathbb{G} = \{G(x_1, x_2); 0 \leq G(\lambda) \leq \mathbb{1}, \sum_{\lambda} G(\lambda) = \mathbb{1}, \lambda = \{x_1, x_2\}\}$$

such that the POV observables  $\mathbb{E}_i$  can be realized as the marginals:

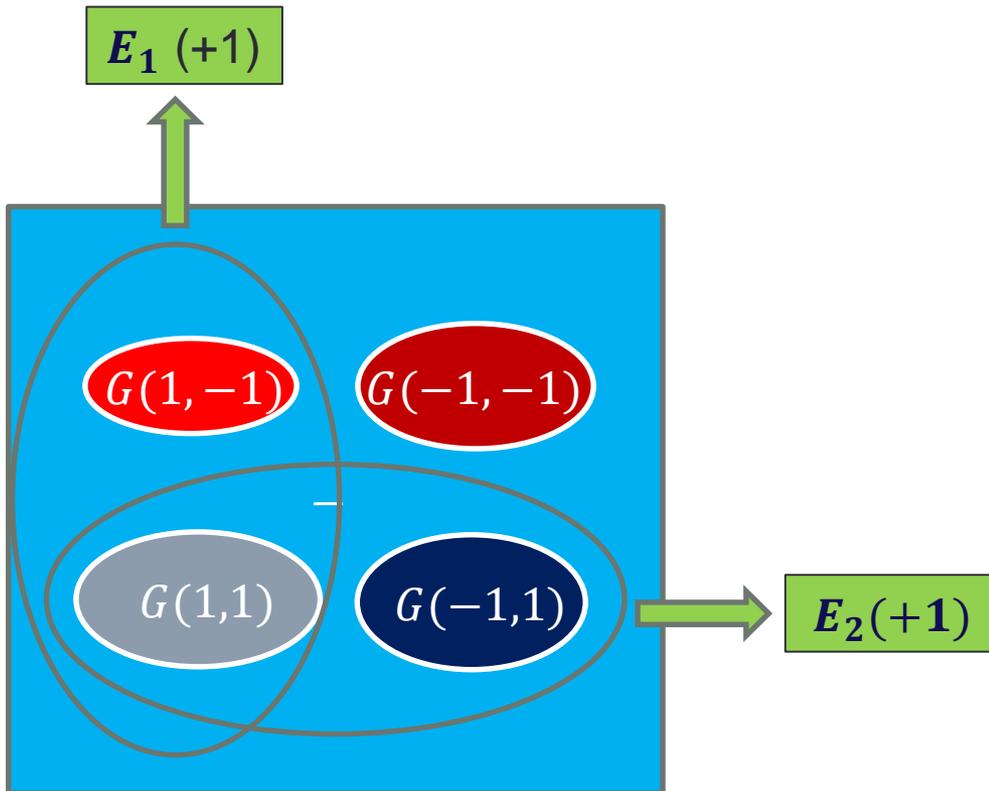
$$E_1(x_1) = \sum_{x_2} G(x_1, x_2), \quad E_2(x_2) = \sum_{x_1} G(x_1, x_2)$$

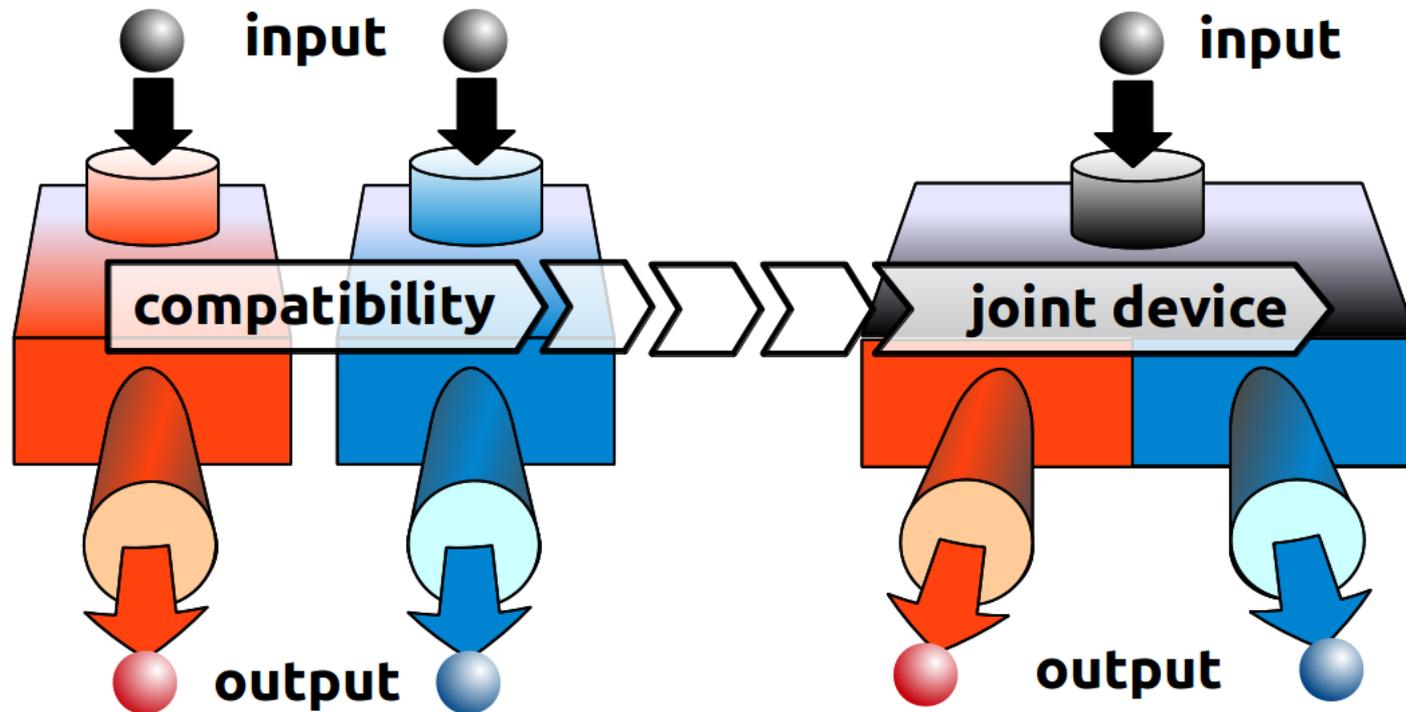
- In general, if the effects  $E_i(x_i)$  can be expressed as

$$E_i(x_i) = \sum_{\lambda} p(x_i|i, \lambda) G(\lambda) \quad \forall i$$

where  $\sum_{x_i} p(x_i|i, \lambda) = 1$ , the fuzzy observables  $\mathbb{E}_i$  are jointly measurable.

- Think of  $G$  as a **common measurement device** with four LEDs (corresponding to four outcomes); two of the LEDs correspond to the measurement outcome  $+1$  for the binary POVMs  $E_1$  and similarly for  $E_2$ .





**Unsharp measurements of a pair of compatible POVMs**

**Courtesy: Heinosari et al., J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. 49 (2016) 123001**

# Fuzzy measurements of noisy qubit observables

## Positive operator valued *fuzzy* spin observables:

$$\text{Unsharp } x\text{-spin} \longrightarrow \{E_x(+1), E_x(-1)\}$$

$$\text{Unsharp } z\text{-spin} \longrightarrow \{E_z(+1), E_z(-1)\}$$

$$E_x(\pm 1) = \frac{1}{2}[\mathbb{1} \pm \eta \sigma_x]$$

$$E_z(\pm 1) = \frac{1}{2}[\mathbb{1} \pm \eta \sigma_z]$$

$$0 \leq \eta \leq 1$$

$\eta \longrightarrow$  sharpness parameter

- **PV measurements  $\longrightarrow \eta = 1 \Rightarrow$  sharp measurement**

- **Joint measurability of  $\sigma_x, \sigma_z$  requires  $\eta \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$**

- **Global POVM for pairwise joint measurability:**

$$G(x, z) = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \mathbb{1} + \frac{x}{\sqrt{2}} \sigma_x + \frac{z}{\sqrt{2}} \sigma_z \right], \quad x, z = \pm 1.$$

- **Joint measurability of three orthogonal spin components  $\sigma_x, \sigma_y, \sigma_z$  implies  $\eta \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$**
- **Three orthogonal qubit orientations are pairwise measurable but not tripplewise measurable iff  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \leq \eta \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ .**

Number of POVMs	Orientation of $\hat{n}_k$	$\eta_{\text{opt}}$
$N = 3$	Orthogonal axes $\hat{n}_k \cdot \hat{n}_l = 0, k \neq l = 1, 2, 3$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$
$N = 2$	$\hat{n}_1 \cdot \hat{n}_2 = 0$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$
$N = 3$	Trine axes $\hat{n}_k \cdot \hat{n}_l = -\frac{1}{2}; k \neq l = 1, 2, 3$	$\frac{2}{3}$
$N = 2$	$\hat{n}_1 \cdot \hat{n}_2 = -\frac{1}{2}$	0.732

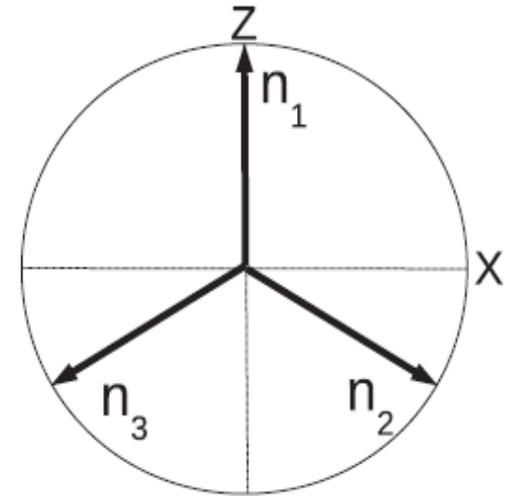


Table 1: Optimal value  $\eta_{\text{opt}}$  of the unsharpness parameter (evaluated using the necessary and sufficient conditions, below which the joint measurability of the qubit POVMs  $\{E_{x_k}(a_k) = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbb{1} + \eta a_k \vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{n}_k)\}$  for different orientations  $\hat{n}_k$  are compatible.

# Necessary condition for joint measurability of $N$ dichotomic POVMs with arbitrary qubit orientations $\hat{n}_k$ , $k = 1, 2, \dots, N$

$$\eta \leq \frac{1}{N} \max_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N} |\vec{m}_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N}|$$

$$\vec{m}_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N} = \sum_{k=1}^N x_k \hat{n}_k; \quad x_k = \pm 1$$

**Sufficient condition:**

$$\eta \leq \frac{2^N}{\sum_{\mathbf{a}} |\vec{m}_{\mathbf{a}}|}.$$

See: Ravi Kunjwal and Sibasish Ghosh, Phys. Rev. A 89, 042118 (2014)

Y. C. Liang, R. W. Spekkens, and H. M. Wiseman, Phys. Rep. 506, 1 (2011).

## Joint measurability of equatorial qubit observables

- **The POVMs**

$$\{E_{\theta_k}(a_k = \pm 1) = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbb{1} + \eta a_k \sigma_{\theta_k})\}$$

with

$$\sigma_{\theta_k} = \sigma_x \cos(\theta_k) + \sigma_y \sin(\theta_k)$$

$$\theta_k = k \pi / N, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

correspond geometrically to the points on the circumference of the circle in the equatorial half-plane of the Bloch sphere, separated successively by an angle  $\theta = \pi/N$ .

- **Joint measurability of  $\{E_{\theta_k}(a_k)\}$**

$$\Rightarrow \eta_{\text{opt}} = \frac{1}{N} \sqrt{N + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\lfloor \frac{N}{2} \rfloor} (N - 2k) \cos\left(\frac{k \pi}{N}\right)}.$$

Number of POVMs	$\eta_{\text{opt}}$
3	0.6666
4	0.6532
5	0.6472
6	0.6439
10	0.6392
20	0.6372
50	0.6367
100	0.6366

- In the large  $N$  limit, the degree of incompatibility (i.e., the cut-off value of the unsharpness parameter) approaches  $\eta_{\text{opt}} \rightarrow 0.6366$  and thus the POVMs associated with the set of all qubit observables  $\sigma_\theta$ ,  $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$  in the equatorial plane of the Bloch sphere are jointly measurable in the range  $0 \leq \eta_{\text{opt}}^{(\infty)} \leq \frac{2}{\pi} \approx 0.6366$ .

- Joint measurability of qubit POVMs corresponding to points on the entire Bloch sphere  $\Rightarrow \eta_{\text{opt}} = \frac{1}{2}$ .

- Existence of joint probabilities in turn implies that the set of all Bell inequalities are satisfied (**A. Fine, Phys. Rev. Lett. 48, 291 (1982)**)
- Legitimate joint probabilities result when measurements are *compatible*.



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## Degree of complementarity determines the nonlocality in quantum mechanics

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Bohr's complementarity principle is one of the central concepts in quantum mechanics which restricts joint measurement for certain observables. Of course, later development shows that joint measurement could be possible for such observables with the introduction of a certain degree of unsharpness or fuzziness in the

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## Steering, incompatibility, and Bell-inequality violations in a class of probabilistic theories

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We show that connections between a degree of incompatibility of pairs of observables and the strength of violations of Bell's inequality found in recent investigations can be extended to a general class of probabilistic physical models. It turns out that the property of universal uniform steering is sufficient for the saturation of a generalized Tsirelson bound, corresponding to maximal violations of Bell's inequality. It is also found that a limited form of steering is still available and sufficient for such saturation in some state spaces where universal uniform steering is not given. The techniques developed here are applied to the class of regular polygon state spaces, giving a strengthening of known results. However, we also find indications that the link between incompatibility and Bell violation may be more complex than originally envisaged.

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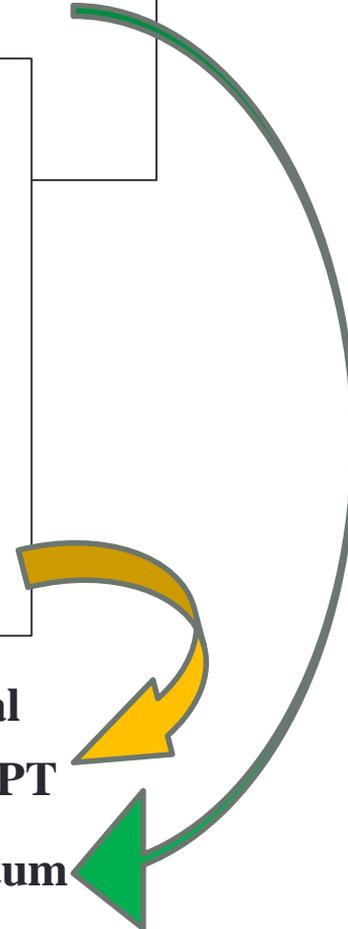
$$|\langle A_1 B_1 \rangle + \langle A_1 B_2 \rangle + \langle A_2 B_1 \rangle - \langle A_2 B_2 \rangle| \leq \frac{2}{\eta_{\text{opt}}}$$

Tsirelson bound of  $2\sqrt{2}$

$$\eta_{\text{opt}} = 1 \longrightarrow \text{classical}$$

$$\eta_{\text{opt}} = \frac{1}{2} \longrightarrow \text{GPT}$$

$$\eta_{\text{opt}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \longrightarrow \text{quantum}$$



## 4-term CHSH inequality and joint measurability

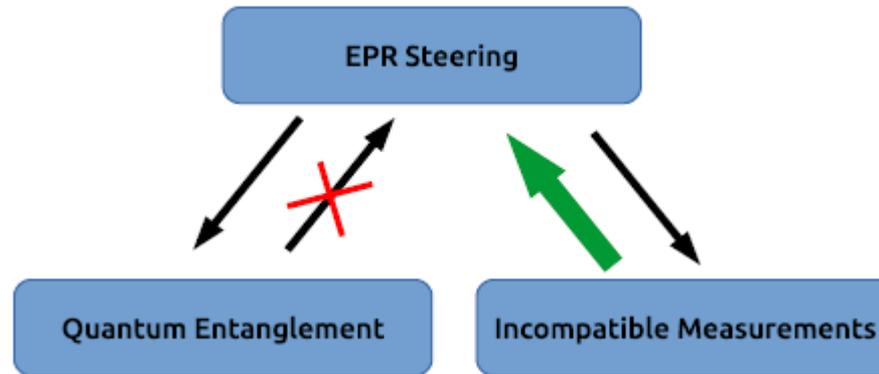


- Do classical features emerge in general, when one merely confines to measurements of *compatible* unsharp POVMs?
- Is it possible to classify physical theories based on the *fuzziness* necessiated by joint measurability?

## Some pertinent observations

- Recall that measurement of a single *grand* POVM leads to results of the measurements of all compatible POVMs. In other words, joint measurability entails a joint probability distribution for all compatible observables in the quantum framework. Also, there is Fine's result (**A. Fine, Phys. Rev. Lett. 48, 291 (1982)**): *Existence of joint probabilities in turn implies that the set of all Bell inequalities are satisfied.*
- Bell non-locality is not revealed when only compatible measurements are employed — even with an entangled state.
- Wolf et. al., (**Phys. Rev. Lett. 103, 230402 (2009)**) have shown that incompatible measurements of a pair of POVMs with dichotomic outcomes are necessary and sufficient for the violation of Clauser-Horne-Shimony-Holt (CHSH) Bell inequality.
- **Equivalence between steering and joint measurability:**  
A set of POVMs are not compatible if and only if they can be employed for the task of non-local quantum steering.  
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**But Bell non-locality and joint measurability not synonymous (except in the CHSH case).**

$N$ -term pairwise correlation inequalities  
&  
joint measurability?

# Classical Moment Problem

➔ Addresses the issue of finding a probability distribution given a set of moments.

This brings forth the fact ➔

A given sequence of real numbers qualifies to be moment sequence of a legitimate probability distribution if and only if the associated moment matrix is positive.

Existence of joint probability distribution



Moment matrix is positive

J.A Sholat and J.D. Tamarkin, *The problem of moments*, AMS (1943)

N.J. Akhiezer, *The Classical Moment Problem*, Hofuer Publishing Co., (1965)

**Classical Moment  
problem**

**Momen  
Inversion**



**Are the  
probabilities  
moment  
determinate?**

**Moment  
Matrix  
Positivity**



**Is the given  
sequence of  
“moments” admit  
*legitimate*  
probabilities?**

**Joint measurability of observables ensures joint probabilities**

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**Moment matrix positivity implies existence of joint probabilities**

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*N*-term pairwise correlation inequalities

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joint measurability?

- We construct chained  $N$  term pairwise correlation inequalities based on the positivity of a sequence of moment matrices.
- Question: Is moment matrix positivity necessary and sufficient for joint measurability?

## Chained correlation inequality

- Consider  $N$  classical random variables  $X_k$  with outcomes  $x_k = \pm 1$ .
- Construct  $4 \times 4$  moment matrices  $M_k = \langle \xi_k \xi_k^T \rangle$  containing only pairwise moments of a set of three random variables each.

$$\xi_k = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x_1 x_k \\ x_k x_{k+1} \\ x_1 x_{k+1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad k = 2, 3, \dots, N - 1$$

and  $\langle \cdot \rangle$  denotes expectation value.

## Chained correlation inequality ...

The  $4 \times 4$  moment matrix  $M_k$  has the form:

$$M_k = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \langle X_1 X_k \rangle & \langle X_k X_{k+1} \rangle & \langle X_1 X_{k+1} \rangle \\ \langle X_1 X_k \rangle & 1 & \langle X_1 X_{k+1} \rangle & \langle X_k X_{k+1} \rangle \\ \langle X_k X_{k+1} \rangle & \langle X_1 X_{k+1} \rangle & 1 & \langle X_1 X_k \rangle \\ \langle X_1 X_{k+1} \rangle & \langle X_k X_{k+1} \rangle & \langle X_1 X_k \rangle & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$k = 2, 3, \dots, N - 1 \Rightarrow N - 2$  moment matrices

## Chained correlation inequality ...

The moment matrix is real, symmetric and positive semidefinite by construction.

## Chained correlation inequality ...

- The eigenvalues  $\mu_i^{(k)}$ ;  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$  of the moment matrix:

$$\mu_1^{(k)} = 1 + \langle X_1 X_k \rangle - \langle X_k X_{k+1} \rangle - \langle X_1 X_{k+1} \rangle$$

$$\mu_2^{(k)} = 1 - \langle X_1 X_k \rangle + \langle X_k X_{k+1} \rangle - \langle X_1 X_{k+1} \rangle$$

$$\mu_3^{(k)} = 1 - \langle X_1 X_k \rangle - \langle X_k X_{k+1} \rangle + \langle X_1 X_{k+1} \rangle$$

$$\mu_4^{(k)} = 1 + \langle X_1 X_k \rangle + \langle X_k X_{k+1} \rangle + \langle X_1 X_{k+1} \rangle.$$

- Positivity of the moment matrix implies that the eigenvalues  $\mu_i^{(k)}$  are positive.

## Chained correlation inequality ...

For a set of  $N - 2$  moment matrices  $M_2, M_3, \dots, M_{N-2}$ , positivity condition  $\sum_{k=2,3,\dots,N-1} \mu_i^{(k)} \geq 0$ , for the sum of eigenvalues  $\mu_i^{(k)}$ ,

$i = 1, 2, 3, 4$  leads to four chained inequalities for pairwise moments:

$$\sum_{k=2}^{N-1} \langle X_k X_{k+1} \rangle + \langle X_1 X_N \rangle - \langle X_1 X_2 \rangle \leq N - 2$$

$$2 \sum_{k=1}^{N-2} \langle X_1 X_k \rangle - \sum_{k=2}^{N-1} \langle X_k X_{k+1} \rangle + \langle X_1 X_N \rangle - \langle X_1 X_2 \rangle \leq N - 2$$

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## Tsirelson bounds for generalized Clauser-Horne-Shimony-Holt inequalities

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Quantum theory imposes a strict limit on the strength of nonlocal correlations. It only allows for a violation of the Clauser, Horne, Shimony, and Holt (CHSH) inequality up to the value  $2\sqrt{2}$ , known as Tsirelson's bound. In this paper, we consider generalized CHSH inequalities based on many measurement settings with two possible measurement outcomes each. We demonstrate how to prove Tsirelson bounds for any such generalized CHSH inequality using semidefinite programming. As an example, we show that for any shared entangled state and observables  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  and  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$  with eigenvalues  $\pm 1$  we have  $|\langle X_1 Y_1 \rangle + \langle X_2 Y_1 \rangle + \langle X_2 Y_2 \rangle + \langle X_3 Y_2 \rangle + \dots + \langle X_n Y_n \rangle - \langle X_1 Y_n \rangle| \leq 2n \cos[\pi/(2n)]$ . It is well known that there exist observables such that equality can be achieved. However, we show that these are indeed optimal. Our approach can easily be generalized to other inequalities for such observables.

## 2N-term CHSH-Bell inequality

N measurements each by Alice and Bob

**Classical Bound:**

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^n \langle X_i Y_i \rangle + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \langle X_{i+1} Y_i \rangle - \langle X_1 Y_n \rangle \right| \leq 2n - 2.$$

**Quantum Tsirelsen Bound:**

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^n \langle X_i Y_i \rangle + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \langle X_{i+1} Y_i \rangle - \langle X_1 Y_n \rangle \right| \leq 2n \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right)$$

**Semidefinite Programming  
(SDP)**





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## Bounding Temporal Quantum Correlations

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Sequential measurements on a single particle play an important role in fundamental tests of quantum mechanics. We provide a general method to analyze temporal quantum correlations, which allows us to compute the maximal correlations for sequential measurements in quantum mechanics. As an application, we present the full characterization of temporal correlations in the simplest Leggett-Garg scenario and in the sequential measurement scenario associated with the most fundamental proof of the Kochen-Specker theorem.

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**Classical Bound:**

$$\mathcal{S}_N = \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \langle X_i X_{i+1} \rangle - \langle X_1 X_N \rangle \leq N - 2.$$

**Quantum Tsirelsen Bound:**

$$\mathcal{S}_N \leq N \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{N}\right)$$

**Semidefinite Programming  
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## Chained correlation inequality ...

(S. Wehner, Phys. Rev. A 73, 022110 (2006); C. Budroni, T. Moroder, M. Kleinmann, and O. Gühne, Phys. Rev. Lett. 111, 020403 (2013))

$$\mathcal{S}_N = \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \langle X_i X_{i+1} \rangle - \langle X_1 X_N \rangle \leq N - 2.$$

- For  $N = 3$ , we have  $\langle X_1 X_2 \rangle + \langle X_2 X_3 \rangle - \langle X_1 X_3 \rangle \leq 1$   
(3 term Leggett-Garg Inequality).
- For  $N = 5$ , we have  $\langle X_1 X_2 \rangle + \langle X_2 X_3 \rangle + \langle X_3 X_4 \rangle \langle X_4 X_5 \rangle - \langle X_1 X_5 \rangle \leq 3$   
(5 term LGI)

## Chained correlation inequality ...

- We replace the classical random variables by a set of  $N$  dichotomic qubit observables

$$X_k = \vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{n}_k, k = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

and the classical probability distribution by an arbitrary single qubit density matrix.

- The pairwise moments

$$\langle X_k X_l \rangle \equiv \langle X_k X_l \rangle_{\text{seq}}$$

are obtained from sequential measurements of the observables – in the order in which they are written.

- We obtain the chained inequality

$$\mathcal{S}_N = \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \langle X_i X_{i+1} \rangle_{\text{seq}} - \langle X_1 X_N \rangle_{\text{seq}} \leq N - 2.$$

## Chained correlation inequality ...

**C. Budroni, T. Moroder, M. Kleinmann, O. Günhe,**  
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- The Tsirelson bound (quantum bound),  $N \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{N}\right)$  can be reached, when the system is prepared in a maximally mixed state  $\rho = I/2$ ; and sequential projective measurements of qubit observables  $\vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{n}_k$ , with unit vectors  $\hat{n}_k$  equally separated by an angle  $\pi/N$  in a plane, one obtains pairwise correlations

$$\langle X_k X_{k+1} \rangle = \hat{n}_k \cdot \hat{n}_{k+1} = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{N}\right)$$

and

$$\langle X_1 X_{k+1} \rangle = \hat{n}_1 \cdot \hat{n}_N = -\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{N}\right)$$

leading to the the Tsirelson bound  $N \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{N}\right)$ .

**Question:** With optimal jointly measurable (unsharp) POVMs do we recover Tsirelson bound for N term inequalities?

This happens if joint measurability is both necessary and sufficient for violation of the N-term correlation inequality.

Measurement incompatibility  Sequential correlation inequality??

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## Chained correlation inequality ...

- Consider fuzzy qubit POVMs

$$\{E_k(x_k) = \frac{1}{2}(I + \eta x_k \vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{n}_k), k = 1, 2, \dots, N\}$$

with successive unit vectors  $\hat{n}_k$  separated by  $\pi/N$  in a plane.

- We obtain

$$\langle X_i X_{i+1} \rangle_{POVM} = \eta \langle X_i X_{i+1} \rangle_{\text{sharp}} = \eta \cos(\pi/N)$$

and

$$\langle X_1 X_N \rangle_{POVM} = \eta \langle X_1 X_N \rangle_{\text{sharp}} = -\eta \cos(\pi/N)$$

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## Joint measurability of qubit POVMs in the equatorial plane

- The POVMs

$$\{E_k(x_k) = \frac{1}{2}(I + \eta x_k \vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{n}_k)$$

are all jointly measurable/compatible if the *unsharpness* parameter is less than the optimal value  $0 \leq \eta \leq \eta_{\text{opt}}$ .

Number of POVMs	$\eta_{\text{opt}}$
3	0.6666
4	0.6532
5	0.6472
6	0.6439
10	0.6392
20	0.6372
50	0.6367
100	0.6366
$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$N \rightarrow \infty$	$2/\pi$

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No. of POVMs employed	Classical bound $N-2$	Quantum bound $N \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{N}\right)$	Maximum achievable value $\mathcal{S}_N^Q(\eta_{\text{opt}})$
3	1	1.5	1
4	2	2.83	1.85
5	3	4.05	2.62
6	4	5.20	3.35
10	8	9.51	6.08
20	18	19.75	12.59
50	48	49.90	31.77
100	98	99.95	63.62

- **Incompatible measurements are necessary, but are not sufficient to violate the chained  $N$  term correlation inequality**



## Note

- Wolf et. al., (**Phys. Rev. Lett. 103, 230402 (2009)**): Incompatible measurements of a pair of POVMs with dichotomic outcomes are necessary and sufficient for the violation of standard 4 term Clauser-Horne-Shimony-Holt (CHSH) Bell inequality.

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### Degree of complementarity determines the nonlocality in quantum mechanics

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Bohr's complementarity principle is one of the central concepts in quantum mechanics which restricts joint measurement for certain observables. Of course, later development shows that joint measurement could be possible for such observables with the introduction of a certain degree of unsharpness or fuzziness in the measurement. In this paper, we show that the optimal degree of unsharpness, which guarantees the joint measurement of all possible pairs of dichotomic observables, determines the degree of nonlocality in quantum mechanics as well as in more general no-signaling theories.

$$\eta_{\text{opt}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

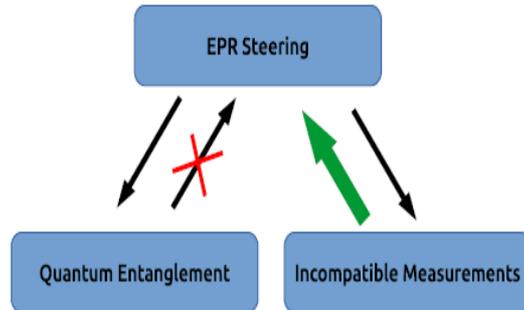


**No violation of 4 term Bell-CHSH inequality**

**Only a Special Case of correlation inequality resulting in Tsirelson Bound as a result of joint measurability**



## Steering and Joint Measurability are synonymous



M. T. Quintino, T. Vértesi, and N. Brunner, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **113**, 160402 (2014)

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### $N$ -term steering inequality & joint measurability

- Find a steering protocol such that incompatibility of equatorial qubit measurements is both necessary and sufficient

**S. J. Jones and H. M. Wiseman, Phys. Rev. A. 84, 012110 (2011).**

## Linear steering inequality

- Expectation value of a qubit observable

$$\mathbf{S}_{\text{plane}} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi d\theta \alpha_\theta \sigma_\theta, \quad -1 \leq \alpha_\theta \leq 1.$$

(where  $\sigma_\theta = \sigma_x \cos(\theta) + \sigma_y \sin(\theta) \rightarrow$  equatorial qubit observable)  
is upper bounded by  $\frac{2}{\pi} \approx 0.6366$ .

- The Wiseman-Jones steering inequality:

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi d\theta \langle \sigma_\theta^A \sigma_\theta^B \rangle \leq \frac{2}{\pi}$$

$$\langle \sigma_\theta^B \rangle_{a_\theta} = \sum_{b_\theta = \pm 1} b_\theta p(b_\theta | a_\theta; \theta)$$

- Violation of the inequality in any bipartite quantum state  $\rho_{AB}$  demonstrates non-local EPR steering phenomena.

## Linear steering inequality in the finite setting

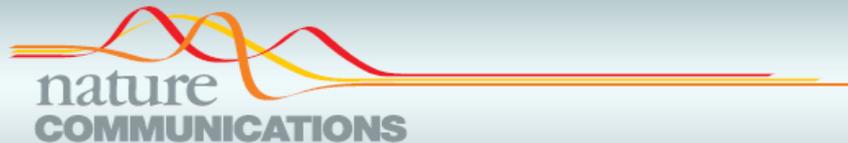
With  $N$  evenly spaced equatorial measurements of  $\sigma_{\theta_k}$  by Bob, conditioned by dichotomic outcomes  $a_k$  of Alice's measurements  $\sigma_{\theta_k}^A \Rightarrow$

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \langle \sigma_{\theta_k}^A \sigma_{\theta_k}^B \rangle \leq f(N)$$

$$f(N) = \frac{1}{N} \left( \left| \sin \left( \frac{N\pi}{2} \right) \right| + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{[N/2]} \sin \left[ (2k-1) \frac{\pi}{2N} \right] \right).$$

- $f(N)$  is the maximum eigenvalue of the observable  $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \sigma_{\theta_k}$ .
- Largest value of  $f(N)$  is  $f(2) \approx 0.7071$  for  $N = 2$ .  
Smallest value  $f(\infty) = 0.6366$  when  $N \rightarrow \infty$ .

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# Experimental proof of nonlocal wavefunction collapse for a single particle using homodyne measurements

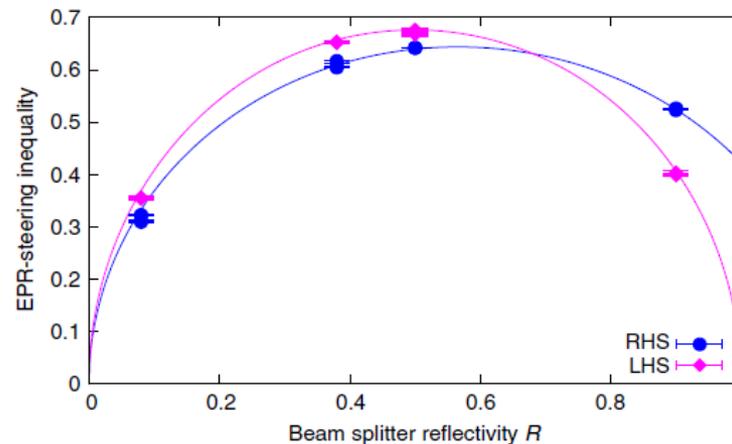
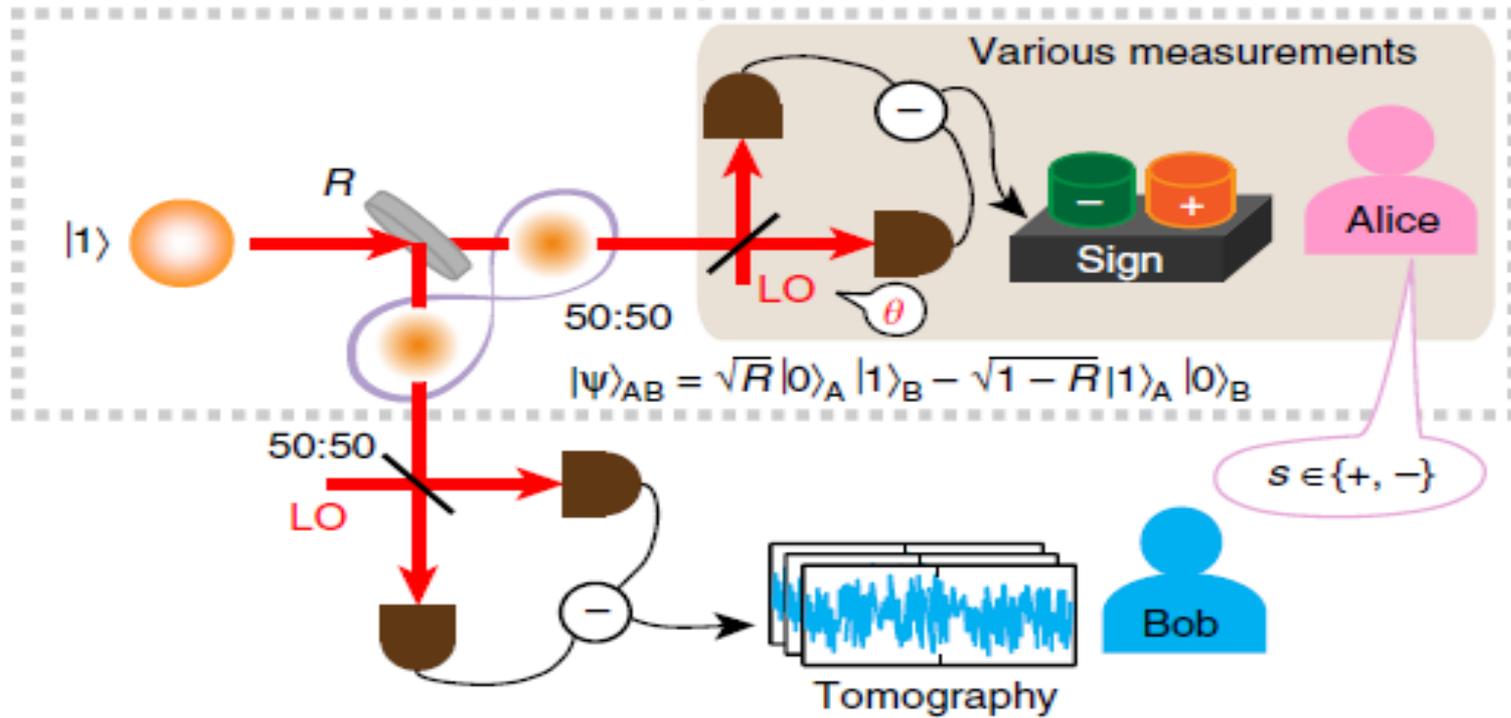
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A single quantum particle can be described by a wavefunction that spreads over arbitrarily large distances; however, it is never detected in two (or more) places. This strange phenomenon is explained in the quantum theory by what Einstein repudiated as ‘spooky action at a distance’: the instantaneous nonlocal collapse of the wavefunction to wherever the particle is detected. Here we demonstrate this single-particle spooky action, with no efficiency loophole, by splitting a single photon between two laboratories and experimentally testing whether the choice of measurement in one laboratory really causes a change in the local quantum state in the other laboratory. To this end, we use homodyne measurements with six different measurement settings and quantitatively verify Einstein’s spooky action by violating an Einstein–Podolsky–Rosen–steering inequality by  $0.042 \pm 0.006$ . Our experiment also verifies the entanglement of the split single photon even when one side is untrusted.

**Exptl verification of violation of 6 term finite setting steering inequality**



### Blackbox to Bob in an EPR-steering test



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## ***N*-term pairwise-correlation inequalities, steering, and joint measurability**

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Chained inequalities involving pairwise correlations of qubit observables in the equatorial plane are constructed based on the positivity of a sequence of moment matrices. When a jointly measurable set of positive-operator-valued measures (POVMs) is employed in the first measurement of every pair of sequential measurements, the chained pairwise correlations do not violate the classical bound imposed by the moment matrix positivity. We find that incompatibility of the set of POVMs employed in first measurements is only necessary, but not sufficient, in general, for the violation of the inequality. On the other hand, there exists a one-to-one equivalence between the degree of incompatibility (which quantifies the joint measurability) of the equatorial qubit POVMs and the optimal violation of a nonlocal steering inequality, proposed by Jones and Wiseman [S. J. Jones and H. M. Wiseman, *Phys. Rev. A* **84**, 012110 (2011)]. To this end, we construct a local analog of this steering inequality in a single-qubit system and show that its violation is a mere reflection of measurement incompatibility of equatorial qubit POVMs, employed in first measurements in the sequential unsharp-sharp scheme.

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Implications of joint measurability on the the finite setting  $N$  term linear steering inequality:

$$\star \quad \star \quad \eta_{\text{opt}} \leq f(N) \quad \star \quad \star$$

- A striking agreement between the degree of incompatibility  $\eta_{\text{opt}}$  and  $f(N)$ .
- This is another clear example of the intrinsic connection between steering and measurement incompatibility.

**Connection between joint measurability and time-like steering in single system is discussed in**

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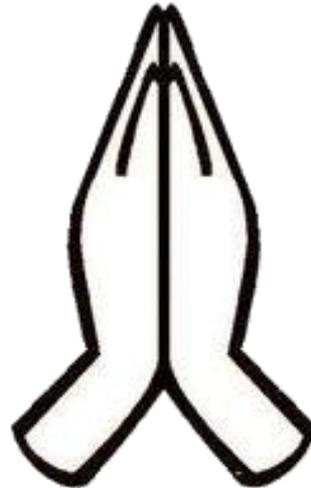
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