

# A Common Framework for Non-classicality

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# Why ?

- The widely divergent use of the term *non-classicality*.
- A hierarchical structure shown by certain *manifestations of non-classicality*.
- Is there an underlying framework from which all the manifestations of nonclassicality may emerge ?
- **Our approach:** Distinction between classical and quantum probabilities.

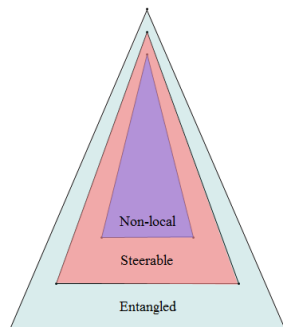
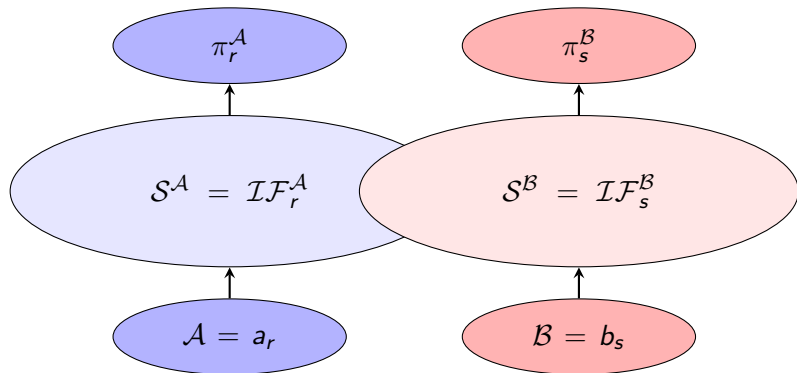


Figure: The manifestations of nonclassicality

# Classical Probability vs. Quantum Probability

- **Observables:**  $\mathcal{A} ; \mathcal{B}$
- **Outcomes:**  $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_N\} ; \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_N\}$ .
- **Event 1:**  $\mathcal{A} = a_r$   
 Indicator function:  $\mathcal{IF}_r^A \rightarrow$  Region in the classical phase space  $\mathcal{S}_r^A$   
 In QM:  $\mathcal{IF}_r^A \rightarrow \pi_r^A$ .
- **Event 2:**  $\mathcal{B} = b_s$   
 Indicator function:  $\mathcal{IF}_s^B \rightarrow$  Region in the classical phase space  $\mathcal{S}_s^B$   
 In QM:  $\mathcal{IF}_s^B \rightarrow \pi_s^B$ .
- **Event 3:**  $\mathcal{A} = a_r$  and  $\mathcal{B} = b_s$   
 Indicator function:  $\mathcal{IF}_{rs}^{AB} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_r^A \cap \mathcal{S}_s^B$   
 In QM:  $\mathcal{IF}_{rs}^{AB} \rightarrow ???$ .

# Classical Probability Vs. Quantum Probability



If,  $\mathcal{S}^A = \mathcal{IF}_r^A \rightarrow \pi_r^A$  and  $\mathcal{S}^B = \mathcal{IF}_s^B \rightarrow \pi_s^B$ ,  $\mathcal{S}^A \cap \mathcal{S}^B = \mathcal{IF}_{rs}^{AB} \rightarrow ???$

# Pseudo-Projection Operators

$$\mathcal{IF}_{rs}^{AB} \rightarrow \Pi_{rs}^{AB} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \left[ \pi_r^A \pi_s^B + \pi_s^B \pi_r^A \right] \quad (1)$$

- The hermitian representative of  $\mathcal{IF}_{rs}^{AB}$  is not a projection operator in general.  $(\Pi_{rs}^{AB})^2 \neq \Pi_{rs}^{AB}$ .
- $\Pi_{rs}^{AB}$  is not a positive operator.
- Nevertheless  $\Pi_{rs}^{AB}$  preserves total probability and reduces to a valid projection operator for commuting observables.
- We call  $\Pi_{rs}^{AB}$ , pseudo-projection operators.
- Given a state  $\rho$ ,  $\mathcal{P}_{rs}^\rho = \text{Tr}[\Pi_{rs}^{AB} \rho]$  are the corresponding pseudoprobabilities. The collection of all  $\{\mathcal{P}_{rs}^\rho\}$  for all outcomes of  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  constitutes the pseudo-joint-probability scheme.

# Nonclassicality: Definitions

## Definition 1.

For a given  $\rho$ , if the set of all pseudoprobabilities,  $\{\mathcal{P}_{rs}^\rho\}$  has no non-negative entries, there exists a classical joint probability scheme that mimics all it's properties. The corresponding state  $\rho$  is deemed classical.

## Definition 2.

Naturally  $\rho$  is nonclassical even if one  $\mathcal{P}_{rs}^\rho$  is negative.

## Example: A Qubit

- **The state:**  $\rho = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \vec{P} \cdot \vec{\sigma})$
- **Observables:**  $A_i = \vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{m}_i$  ;  $(i = 1, 2, 3)$ .
- **Projectors:**  $\pi_i^{\pm} = \frac{1}{2}(1 \pm \vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{m}_i) \implies \text{Tr}[\rho \pi_i^{\pm}] \geq 0, \forall |\vec{P}|$ .
- **Bilinear Pseudoprojectors:**  
 $\Pi_{ij}^{\pm\pm} = \frac{1}{2}(1 \pm \vec{\sigma} \cdot (\pm \hat{m}_i \pm \hat{m}_j)) \implies \text{Tr}[\rho \Pi_{ij}^{\pm\pm}] \geq 0, \forall |\vec{P}| \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}.$
- **Trilinear Pseudoprojectors:**  $\Pi_{123}^{\pm\pm\pm} =$   
 $\frac{1}{2}(1 \pm \vec{\sigma} \cdot (\pm \hat{m}_1 \pm \hat{m}_2 \pm \hat{m}_3)) \implies \text{Tr}[\rho \Pi_{123}^{\pm\pm\pm}] \geq 0, \forall |\vec{P}| \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}.$
- For the given state  $\rho$ , if a pseudo JPS corresponding to trilinear pseudoprojectors has all nonzero entries, the entries in a pseudo JPS corresponding to all possible pairs of bilinear pseudoprojectors has to be positive. The converse however is not true.

# Bipartite Systems

$$\Pi^{(\alpha\beta)}(\hat{m}_1 \dots \hat{m}_\alpha; \hat{n}_1 \dots \hat{n}_\beta) = \Pi^{(\alpha)}(\hat{m}_1 \dots \hat{m}_\alpha) \otimes \Pi^{(\beta)}(\hat{n}_1 \dots \hat{n}_\beta)$$

- The pseudoprojection operator for a bipartite system is simply the direct product of the pseudoprojections in the individual subsystems.
- The positivity of the corresponding pseudo JPS determines the classicality for the bipartite states, following Definition-1.
- The conditions of nonclassicality that we achieve from above are an independent set of conditions. Blind to the conventionally known criterion.
- Can the pseudoprobabilities behave as a repository for known measures of nonclassicality like nonlocality etc. ?



## Bipartite Systems (Contd.)

- **Additional Condition:**

$$\int d\mu(\hat{m}_1 \dots \hat{m}_\alpha; \hat{n}_1 \dots \hat{n}_\beta) \mathcal{P}_\rho^{\alpha\beta}(\hat{m}_1 \dots \hat{m}_\alpha; \hat{n}_1 \dots \hat{n}_\beta) \geq 0 \quad ; \quad \int d\mu = 1.$$

- **This tantamounts to the construction of operators:**

$$W^{\alpha\beta} = \int d\mu(\hat{m}_1 \dots \hat{m}_\alpha; \hat{n}_1 \dots \hat{n}_\beta) \Pi^{\alpha\beta}(\hat{m}_1 \dots \hat{m}_\alpha; \hat{n}_1 \dots \hat{n}_\beta),$$

such that  $Tr[W^{\alpha\beta} \rho] \geq 0$

- For a suitable choice of measures,  $W^{\alpha\beta}$  behaves as a witness for known nonclassicality criterion.
- Also by varying  $\alpha, \beta$  values in each of the subsystems, one can explore the hierarchy among the various manifestations of nonclassicality.

Nonlocality and  $W^{12}$ 

- $\Pi^{12}(\hat{m}_1; \hat{n}_1 \hat{n}_2) = \frac{1}{8} \left\{ 1 + \vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{m}_1 \right\} \otimes \left\{ 1 + \vec{\Sigma} \cdot (\hat{n}_1 + \hat{n}_2) \right\}$
- $\mu(\hat{m}_1; \hat{n}_1, \hat{n}_2) = \mu(-\hat{m}_1; -\hat{n}_1, -\hat{n}_2) = \mu(\hat{m}_2; \hat{n}_1, -\hat{n}_2) = \mu(-\hat{m}_2; -\hat{n}_1, \hat{n}_2) = 1/4.$
- $W^{12} = \frac{1}{16} \left\{ 2 + (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{m}_1)(\vec{\Sigma} \cdot (\hat{n}_1 + \hat{n}_2)) + (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{m}_2)(\vec{\Sigma} \cdot (\hat{n}_1 - \hat{n}_2)) \right\}$
- $W^{12}$  is the standard Bell-CHSH witness.
- **An observation:** The extent of ‘negativity’ in this pseudo probability scheme -  $\sum_i |\mathcal{P}_\rho|_i - 1$  is exactly the advantage that one gets while playing a CHSH game with a shared Bell state over the best classical strategy.

# Construction of Other $W^{\alpha\beta}$

- $\vec{M}^{(\alpha)} = \pm \hat{m}_1 \dots \pm \hat{m}_\alpha$  ;  $\vec{N}^{(\beta)} = \pm \hat{n}_1 \dots \pm \hat{n}_\beta$ .
- $W^{13} = \frac{1}{16} \left\{ 2 + (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{m})(\vec{\Sigma} \cdot \vec{N}^{(3)}) + (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \hat{m}')(\vec{\Sigma} \cdot \vec{N}'^{(3)}) \right\}$
- $W^{22} = \frac{1}{16} \left\{ 2 + (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{M}^{(2)})(\vec{\Sigma} \cdot \vec{N}^{(2)}) + (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{M}'^{(2)})(\vec{\Sigma} \cdot \vec{N}'^{(2)}) \right\}$
- $W^{23} = \frac{1}{32} \left\{ 3 + (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{M}^{(2)})(\vec{\Sigma} \cdot \vec{N}^{(3)}) + (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{M}'^{(2)})(\vec{\Sigma} \cdot \vec{N}'^{(3)}) + (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{M}''^{(2)})(\vec{\Sigma} \cdot \vec{N}''^{(3)}) \right\}$
- $W^{33} = \frac{1}{64} \left\{ 3 + (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{M}^{(3)})(\vec{\Sigma} \cdot \vec{N}^{(3)}) + (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{M}'^{(3)})(\vec{\Sigma} \cdot \vec{N}'^{(3)}) + (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{M}''^{(3)})(\vec{\Sigma} \cdot \vec{N}''^{(3)}) \right\}$

# Werner states

- $\rho_w = \frac{1}{4} \left\{ 1 - \eta \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{\Sigma} \right\}$
- $\text{Tr}[W^{12} \rho_w] \geq 0 \quad \forall \quad \eta \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$
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- $\text{Tr}[W^{33} \rho_w] \geq 0 \quad \forall \quad \eta \leq \frac{1}{3}$

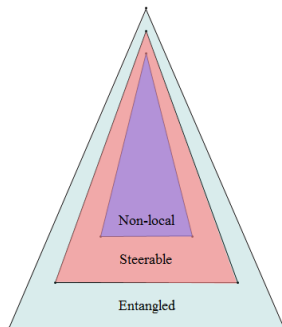


Figure: Manifestations of nonclassicality

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