

3. Qubits

Pauli operators (Pauli matrices)

Bloch representation (Bloch sphere)

Orthogonal measurement

Unitary operation

Qubit

$\dim \mathcal{H} = 2$

Take a standard basis $\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$

Linear operator \hat{A}

Matrix representation (for $\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$)

$$\hat{A} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{00} & A_{01} \\ A_{10} & A_{11} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A_{ij} = \langle i | \hat{A} | j \rangle$$

$$\hat{A} = \sum_{ij} A_{ij} |i\rangle \langle j|$$

4 complex parameters

$$\hat{A} = \alpha_0 \hat{\sigma}_0 + \alpha_1 \hat{\sigma}_1 + \alpha_2 \hat{\sigma}_2 + \alpha_3 \hat{\sigma}_3$$

Pauli operators (Pauli matrices)

Take a standard basis $\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle\}$

$$\hat{1} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{\sigma}_x = \hat{\sigma}_1 \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$
$$\hat{\sigma}_y = \hat{\sigma}_2 \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{\sigma}_z = \hat{\sigma}_3 \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Unitary and self-adjoint

$$[\hat{\sigma}_i, \hat{\sigma}_j] = 2i\epsilon_{ijk}\hat{\sigma}_k$$
$$\hat{\sigma}_i\hat{\sigma}_j + \hat{\sigma}_j\hat{\sigma}_i = 2\delta_{i,j}\hat{1}$$
$$\text{Tr}(\hat{\sigma}_i) = 0, \quad \text{Tr}(\hat{\sigma}_i\hat{\sigma}_j) = 2\delta_{i,j}.$$

$i, j = 1, 2, 3$

Levi-Civita symbol

$$\begin{cases} \epsilon_{123} = \epsilon_{231} = \epsilon_{312} = 1 \\ \epsilon_{321} = \epsilon_{213} = \epsilon_{132} = -1 \\ \text{Otherwise } \epsilon_{ijk} = 0 \end{cases}$$

Einstein notation

\sum_k is omitted.

$$[\hat{\sigma}_x, \hat{\sigma}_y] = 2i\hat{\sigma}_z$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_x^2 = \hat{1}$$

$$\{\hat{\sigma}_x, \hat{\sigma}_z\} \equiv \hat{\sigma}_x\hat{\sigma}_z + \hat{\sigma}_z\hat{\sigma}_x = 0$$

$$\text{Tr}(\hat{\sigma}_\mu\hat{\sigma}_\nu) = 2\delta_{\mu,\nu}$$

$$(\mu, \nu = 0, 1, 2, 3; \sigma_0 \equiv \hat{1})$$

‘Orthogonality’ with respect to

$$(\hat{A}, \hat{B}) \equiv \text{Tr}(\hat{A}^\dagger \hat{B})$$

Pauli operators (Pauli matrices)

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Linear operator \hat{A} 4 complex parameters (P_0, P_x, P_y, P_z)

$$\hat{A} = \frac{1}{2} (P_0\hat{1} + \mathbf{P} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} P_0 + P_z & P_x - iP_y \\ P_x + iP_y & P_0 - P_z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = (P_x, P_y, P_z)$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} = (\hat{\sigma}_x, \hat{\sigma}_y, \hat{\sigma}_z)$$

$$P_0 = \text{Tr}(\hat{A}) \quad \mathbf{P} = \text{Tr}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}\hat{A})$$

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\hat{A} is self-adjoint. \longleftrightarrow P_0 and \mathbf{P} are real.

Eigenvalues λ_+, λ_-

$$\det(\hat{A}) = \lambda_+ \lambda_- = \frac{1}{4} (P_0^2 - |\mathbf{P}|^2)$$

$$\text{Tr}(\hat{A}) = \lambda_+ + \lambda_- = P_0$$



$$\lambda_{\pm} = (P_0 \pm |\mathbf{P}|)/2$$

\hat{A} is positive. \longleftrightarrow P_0 and \mathbf{P} are real, $P_0 \geq |\mathbf{P}|$

Bloch representation (Bloch sphere)

Density operator

Positive & Unit trace

$$P_0 \geq |\mathbf{P}| \quad P_0 = 1$$

$$\hat{\rho} = \frac{1}{2} (\hat{1} + \mathbf{P} \cdot \hat{\sigma}) \quad |\mathbf{P}| \leq 1$$

Density operator for a qubit system

↔ A 3D real vector of length no greater than 1

A point inside or on the sphere of radius 1

$$\mathbf{P} = (P_x, P_y, P_z)$$

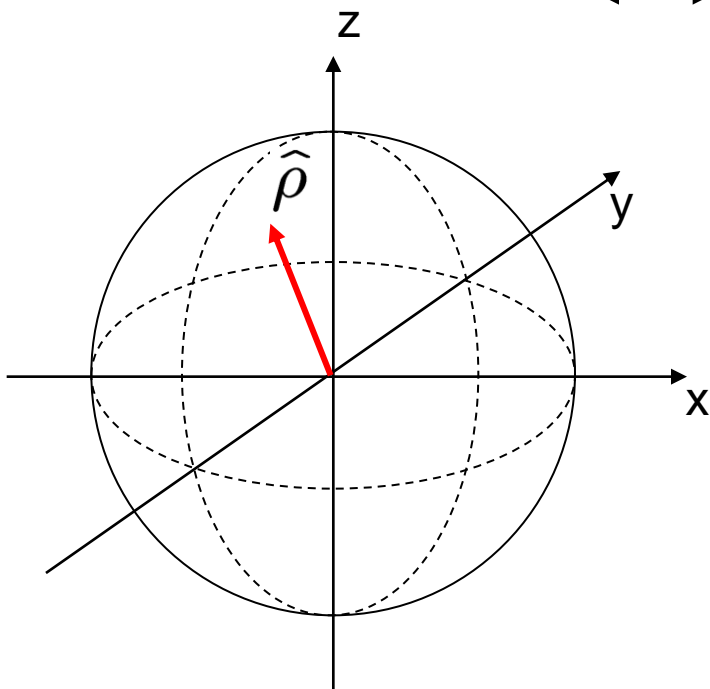
Bloch vector

$$\lambda_{\pm} = (P_0 \pm |\mathbf{P}|)/2 = (1 \pm |\mathbf{P}|)/2$$

Pure states ↔ $\lambda_+ = 1, \lambda_- = 0$

↔ $|\mathbf{P}| = 1$

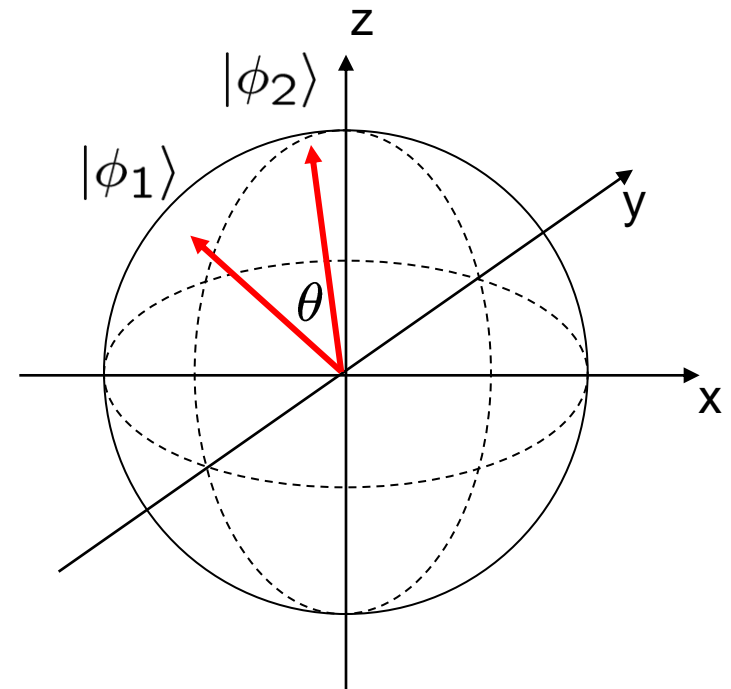
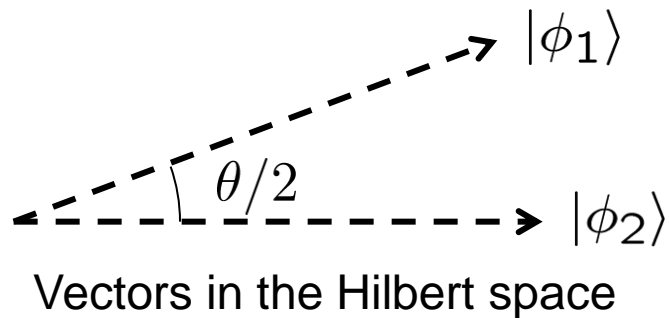
↔ On the sphere



Pure states $\hat{\rho}_j = |\phi_j\rangle\langle\phi_j|$
 $\hat{\rho}_j = \frac{1}{2} (\hat{1} + \mathbf{P}_j \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}})$

$$|\langle\phi_1|\phi_2\rangle|^2 = \text{Tr}[\hat{\rho}_1\hat{\rho}_2]$$

$$= \frac{1 + \mathbf{P}_1 \cdot \mathbf{P}_2}{2} = \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}$$

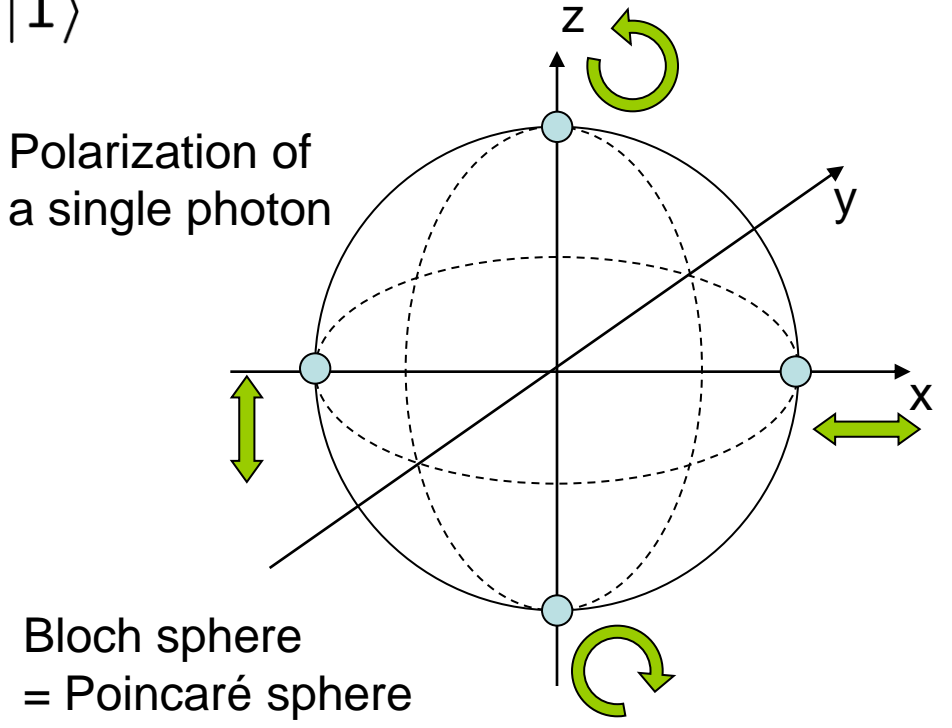
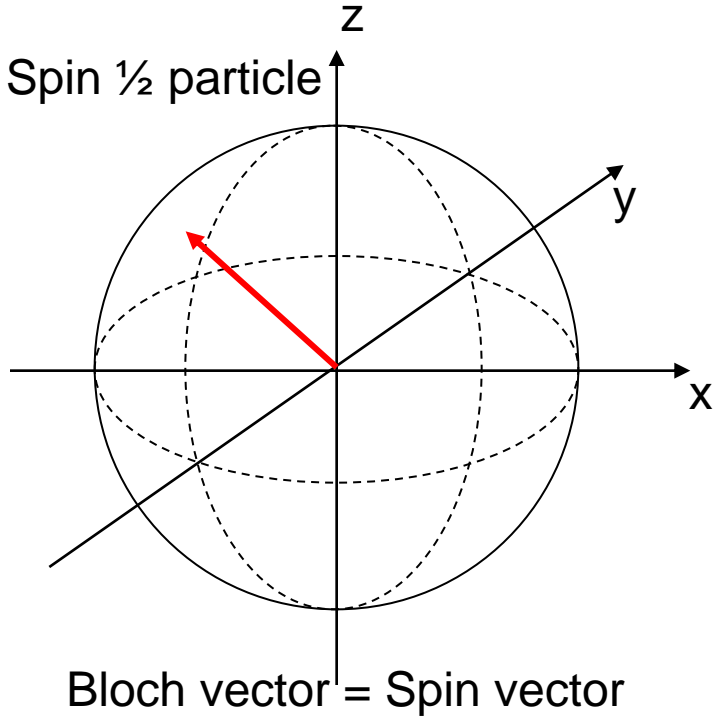
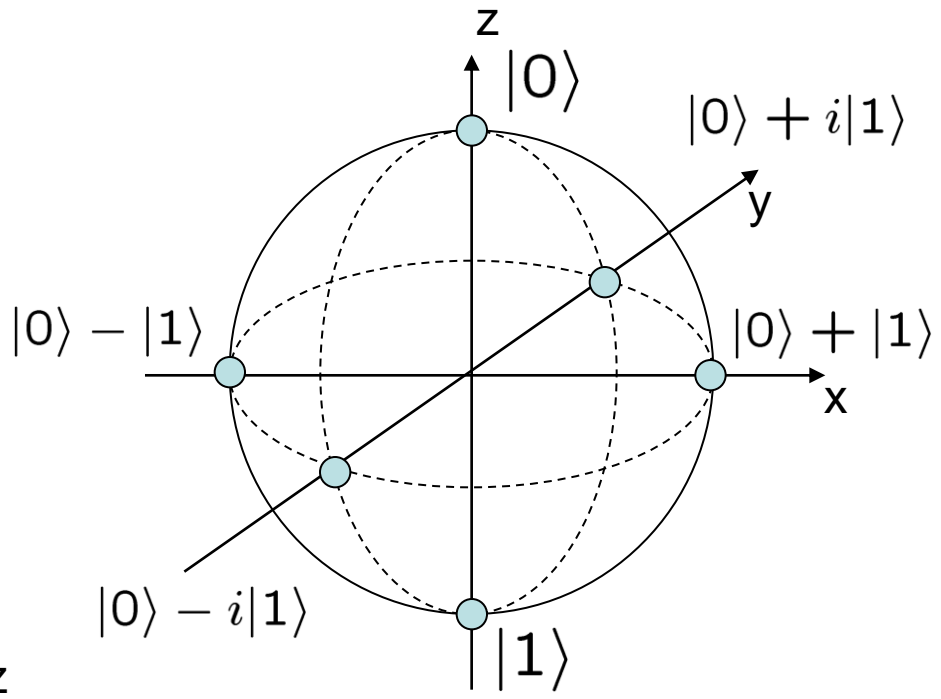


$$\mathbf{P}_1 \cdot \mathbf{P}_2 = \cos \theta$$

Orthogonal states $\longleftrightarrow \theta = \pi$

Orthonormal basis \longleftrightarrow A line through the origin

Examples

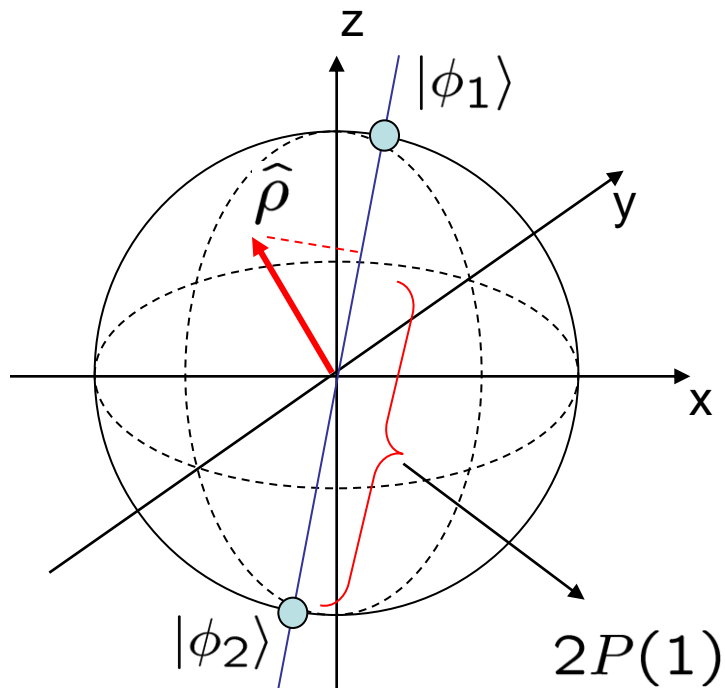


Orthogonal measurement

Orthonormal basis $\{|\phi_1\rangle, |\phi_2\rangle\}$ \longleftrightarrow A line through the origin

$$P(1) = \langle \phi_1 | \hat{\rho} | \phi_1 \rangle = \text{Tr}(\hat{\rho}_1 \hat{\rho}) = \frac{1 + \mathbf{P}_1 \cdot \mathbf{P}}{2}$$

$$P(2) = \frac{1 - \mathbf{P}_1 \cdot \mathbf{P}}{2}$$



Example

Measurement of observable $\hat{\sigma}_z$

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Z axis

Unitary operation

$|\psi\rangle, e^{i\theta}|\psi\rangle$ The same physical state

$\hat{U}, e^{i\theta}\hat{U}$ The same physical operation

$$\det(e^{i\theta}\hat{U}) = e^{2i\theta} \det \hat{U}$$

group $SU(2)$: Set of \hat{U} with $\det \hat{U} = 1$ $\hat{U} \in SU(2) \leftrightarrow -\hat{U} \in SU(2)$

(2 to 1 correspondence to the physical unitary operations)

$$\hat{U} = \exp[i\hat{S}]$$

\ Self-adjoint, traceless

$$\hat{U} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\phi} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-i\phi} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{S} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{P} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}})$$

$$\hat{S} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi & 0 \\ 0 & -\phi \end{pmatrix}$$

We can parameterize the elements of $SU(2)$ as

$$\hat{U}(\mathbf{n}, \varphi) \equiv \exp[-i(\varphi/2)\mathbf{n} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}]$$

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Unit vector

Unitary operation

$$\hat{\rho} = \frac{1}{2} (\hat{1} + \mathbf{P} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}) \xrightarrow{\hat{U}(\mathbf{n}, \varphi)} \hat{\rho}' = \frac{1}{2} (\hat{1} + \mathbf{P}' \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}})$$

How does the Bloch vector change?

Infinitesimal change $\hat{U}(\mathbf{n}, \delta\varphi) \sim \hat{1} - i(\delta\varphi/2)\mathbf{n} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\mathbf{P} &\equiv \mathbf{P}' - \mathbf{P} = \text{Tr}[\hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}\hat{\rho}'] - \text{Tr}[\hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}\hat{\rho}] \\ &= \text{Tr}[\hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}\hat{U}(\mathbf{n}, \delta\varphi)\hat{\rho}\hat{U}^\dagger(\mathbf{n}, \delta\varphi)] - \text{Tr}[\hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}\hat{\rho}] \\ &= \text{Tr}[\hat{U}^\dagger(\mathbf{n}, \delta\varphi)\hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}\hat{U}(\mathbf{n}, \delta\varphi)\hat{\rho}] - \text{Tr}[\hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}\hat{\rho}] \\ &\sim \text{Tr}\{(i\delta\varphi/2)[(\mathbf{n} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}), \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}]\hat{\rho}\} = -\delta\varphi \text{Tr}[n_i \epsilon_{ijk} \hat{\sigma}_k \hat{\rho}] \\ &= \delta\varphi \text{Tr}[(\mathbf{n} \times \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}})\hat{\rho}] = \delta\varphi \mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{P}. \end{aligned}$$

Rotation around axis \mathbf{n} by angle $\delta\varphi$

Unitary operation

$$\hat{U} \in SU(2)$$

$$\hat{U} = \exp[-i(\varphi/2)\mathbf{n} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}]$$

Rotation around axis \mathbf{n} by angle φ

Examples

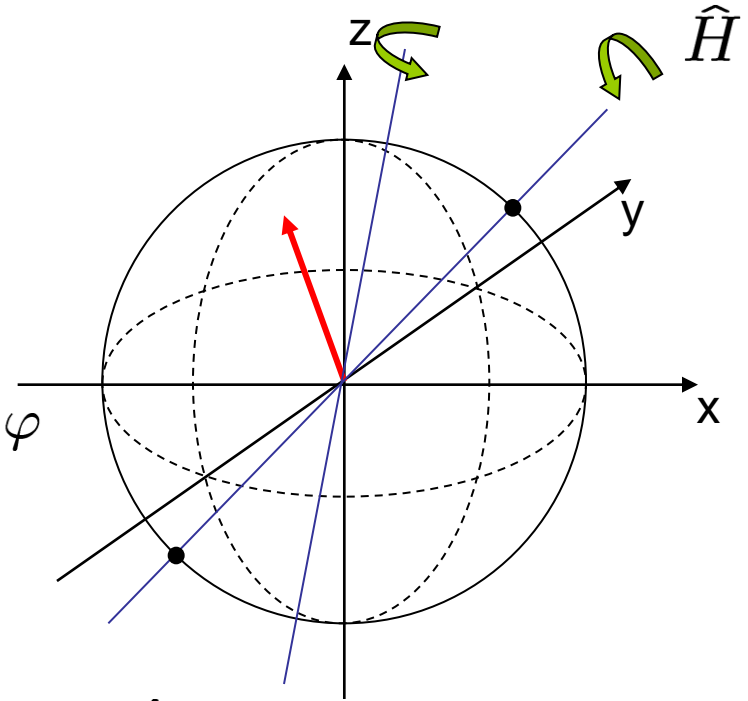
$\hat{\sigma}_z$: π rotation around z axis

$\hat{\sigma}_x$: π rotation around x axis

$$\hat{H} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Hadamard transform

π rotation (interchanges z and x axes)



4. Power of an ancillary system

Kraus representation (Operator-sum rep.)

Generalized measurement

Unambiguous state discrimination

Quantum operation (Quantum channel, CPTP map)

Relation between quantum operations and bipartite states

A maximally entangled state and relative states

What can we do in principle?

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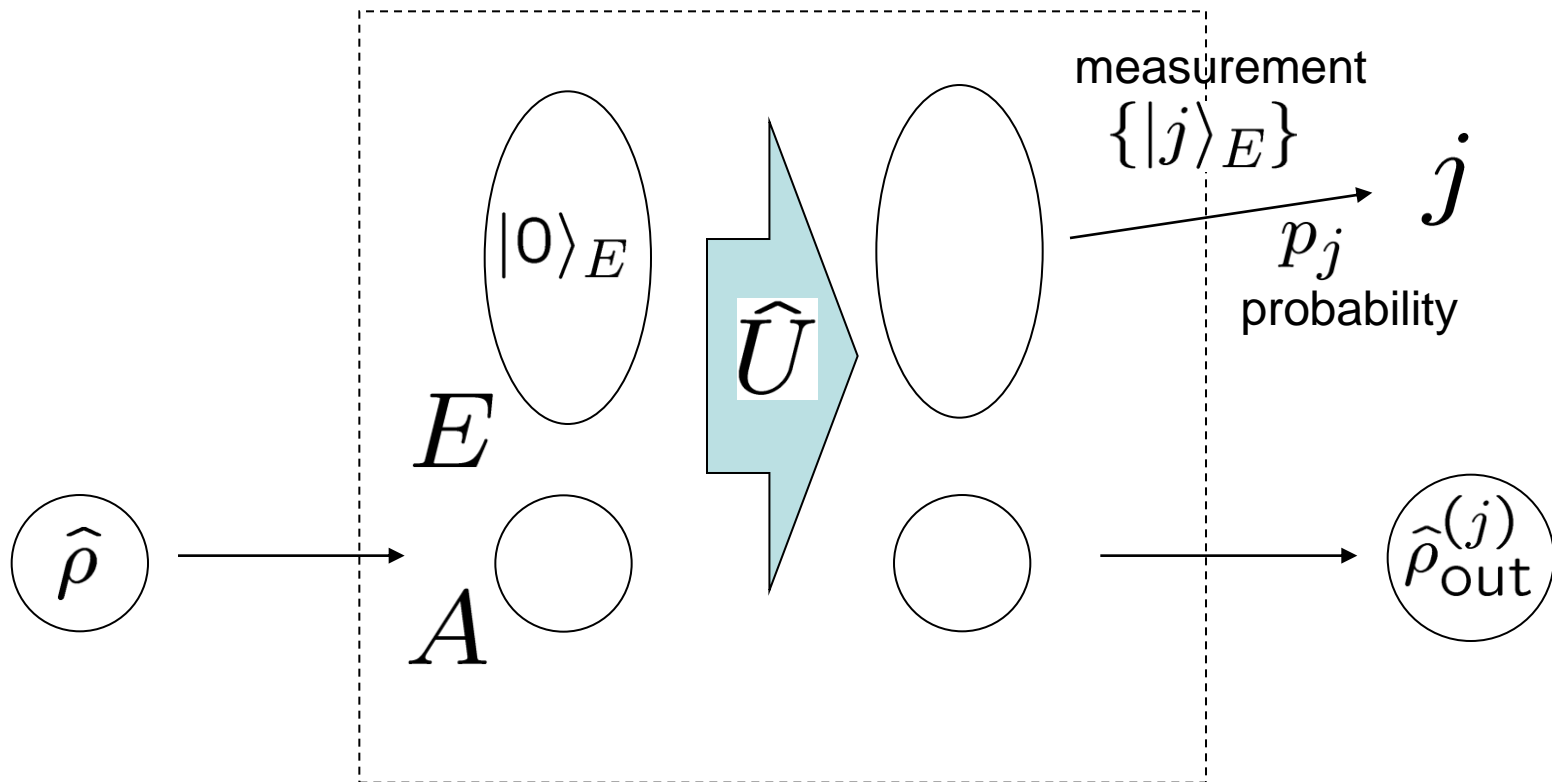
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(ancilla)



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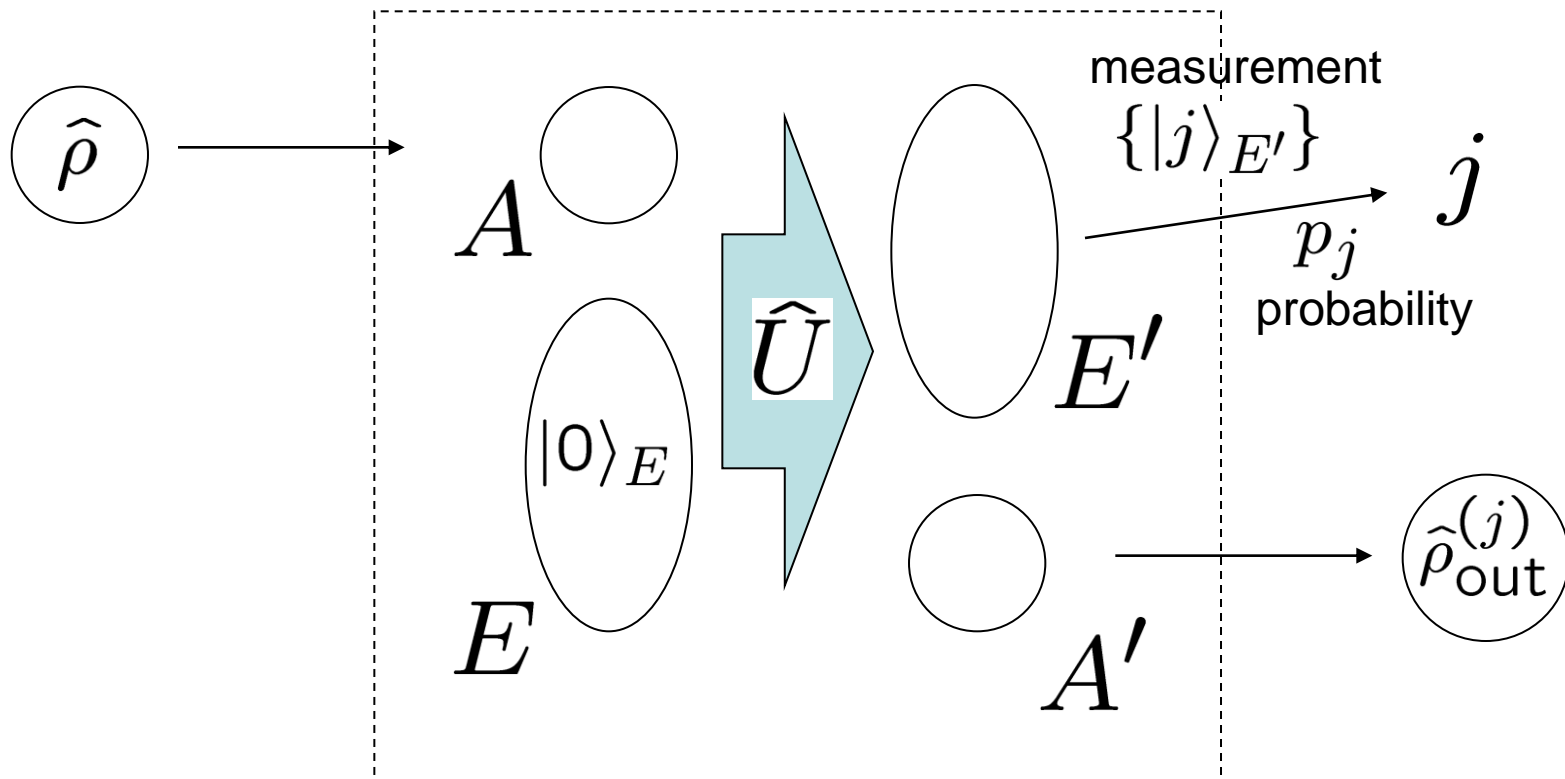
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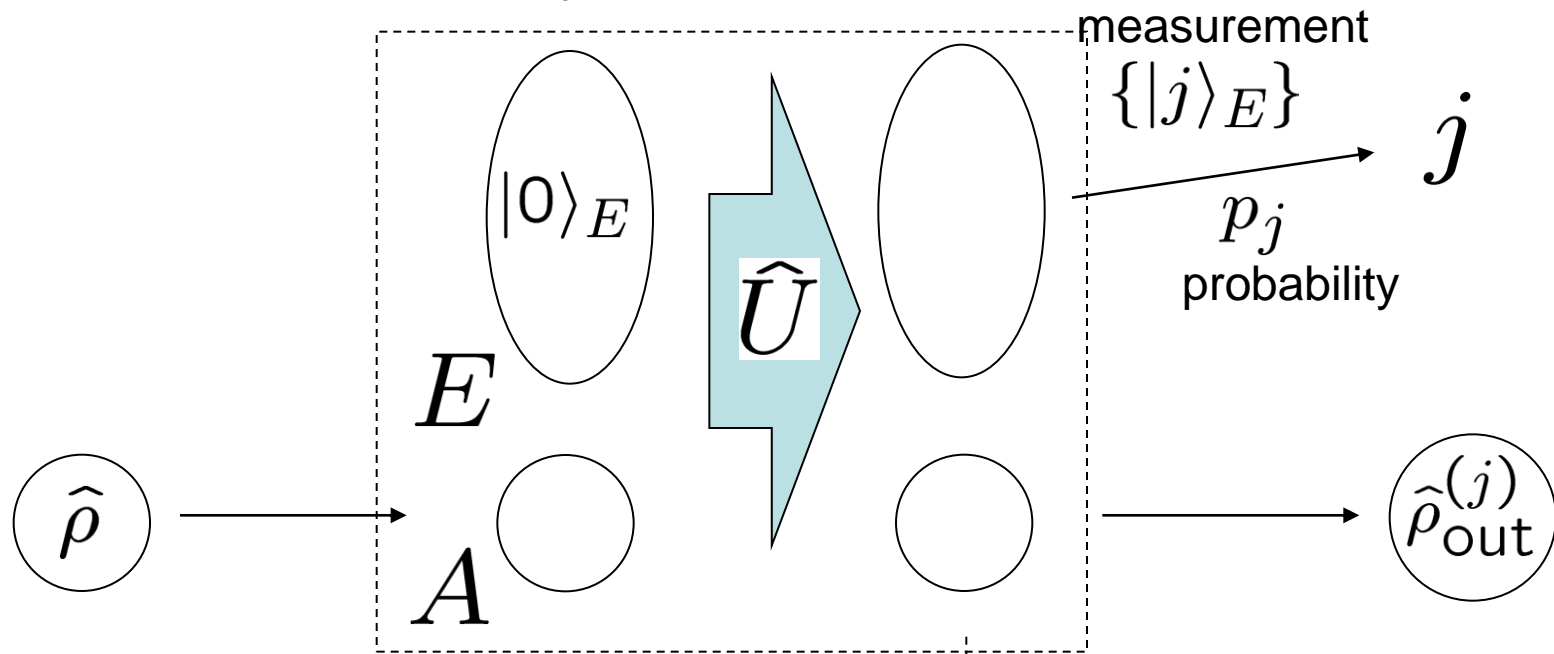
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Power of an ancilla system



$$\hat{\rho} \otimes |0\rangle_E \langle 0|$$

$$\hat{U}(\hat{\rho} \otimes |0\rangle_E \langle 0|)\hat{U}^\dagger$$

$$p_j \hat{\rho}_{\text{out}}^{(j)} = {}_E \langle j | \hat{U}(\hat{\rho} \otimes |0\rangle_E \langle 0|)\hat{U}^\dagger |j\rangle_E$$

$$= \hat{M}^{(j)} \hat{\rho} \hat{M}^{(j)\dagger}$$

$$\hat{M}^{(j)} \equiv {}_E \langle j | \hat{U} |0\rangle_E$$

$${}_E \langle j | \hat{U} |0\rangle_E$$

$$\hat{M}^{(j)} : \mathcal{H}_A \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_A$$

Kraus representation (Operator-sum rep.)

$$p_j \hat{\rho}_{\text{out}}^{(j)} = {}_E \langle j | \hat{U} (\hat{\rho} \otimes |0\rangle_E) \hat{U}^\dagger |j\rangle_E$$

$$\downarrow \hat{M}^{(j)} \equiv {}_E \langle j | \hat{U} |0\rangle_E \quad \text{Kraus operators}$$

$$p_j \hat{\rho}_{\text{out}}^{(j)} = \hat{M}^{(j)} \hat{\rho} \hat{M}^{(j)\dagger} \quad \text{with} \quad \sum_j \hat{M}^{(j)\dagger} \hat{M}^{(j)} = \hat{\mathbf{1}}$$

Representation with no reference to the ancilla system

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_j \hat{M}^{(j)\dagger} \hat{M}^{(j)} &= \sum_j {}_E \langle 0 | \hat{U}^\dagger |j\rangle_E {}_E \langle j | \hat{U} |0\rangle_E \\ &= {}_E \langle 0 | \hat{U}^\dagger \hat{U} |0\rangle_E \\ &= {}_E \langle 0 | \hat{\mathbf{1}}_A \otimes \hat{\mathbf{1}}_E |0\rangle_E \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{1}}_A \end{aligned}$$

Kraus operators \rightarrow Physical realization

$$p_j \hat{\rho}_{\text{out}}^{(j)} = {}_E \langle j | \hat{U} (\hat{\rho} \otimes |0\rangle_E) \hat{U}^\dagger |j\rangle_E$$

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Arbitrary set $\{\hat{M}^{(j)}\}$ satisfying $\sum_j \hat{M}^{(j)\dagger} \hat{M}^{(j)} = \hat{1}$

$|\phi\rangle_A \otimes |0\rangle_E \mapsto \sum_j \hat{M}^{(j)} |\phi\rangle_A \otimes |j\rangle_E$ is linear.

preserves inner products.



$$\begin{aligned} & \text{For any two states } |\phi\rangle_A \text{ and } |\psi\rangle_A, \\ & \left(\sum_{j'} \hat{M}^{(j')} |\psi\rangle_A \otimes |j'\rangle_E \right)^\dagger \left(\sum_j \hat{M}^{(j)} |\phi\rangle_A \otimes |j\rangle_E \right) \\ & = {}_A \langle \psi | \phi \rangle_A = (|\psi\rangle_A \otimes |0\rangle_E)^\dagger (|\phi\rangle_A \otimes |0\rangle_E). \end{aligned}$$

There exists a unitary satisfying

$$\hat{U} (|\phi\rangle_A \otimes |0\rangle_E) = \sum_j \hat{M}^{(j)} |\phi\rangle_A \otimes |j\rangle_E$$

Generalized measurement

$$p_j \hat{\rho}_{\text{out}}^{(j)} = \hat{M}^{(j)} \hat{\rho} \hat{M}^{(j)\dagger} \quad \text{with} \quad \sum_j \hat{M}^{(j)\dagger} \hat{M}^{(j)} = \hat{1}$$



$$p_j = \text{Tr}[\hat{M}^{(j)} \hat{\rho} \hat{M}^{(j)\dagger}] = \text{Tr}[\hat{F}^{(j)} \hat{\rho}]$$

$$\hat{F}^{(j)} \equiv \hat{M}^{(j)\dagger} \hat{M}^{(j)} \geq 0$$

positive

$$p_j = \text{Tr}[\hat{F}^{(j)} \hat{\rho}] \quad \text{with} \quad \sum_j \hat{F}^{(j)} = \hat{1}$$

$\{\hat{F}^{(j)}\}$ **POVM**

Positive operator valued measure

Generalized measurement

$$p_j = \text{Tr}[\hat{F}^{(j)} \hat{\rho}] \quad \text{with} \quad \sum_j \hat{F}^{(j)} = \hat{1}$$

Examples

Orthogonal measurement on basis $\{|a_j\rangle\}$

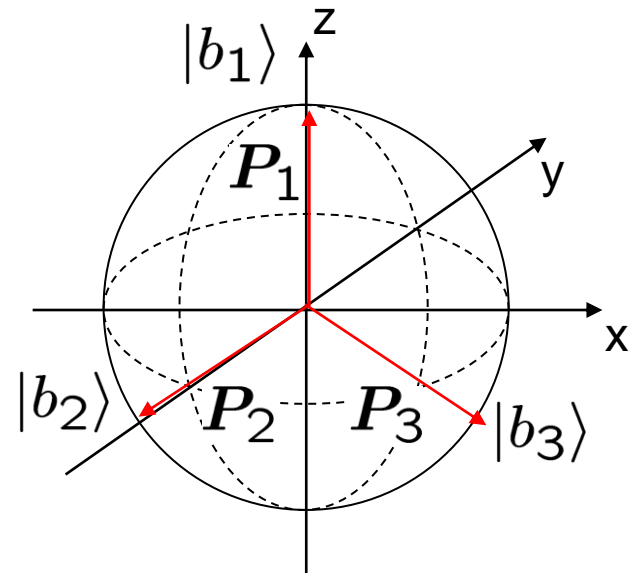
$$\hat{F}^{(j)} = |a_j\rangle\langle a_j|$$

Trine measurement on a qubit

$$\hat{F}^{(j)} = \frac{2}{3} |b_j\rangle\langle b_j|$$

$$|b_j\rangle\langle b_j| = \frac{1}{2} (\hat{1} + \mathbf{P}_j \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}})$$

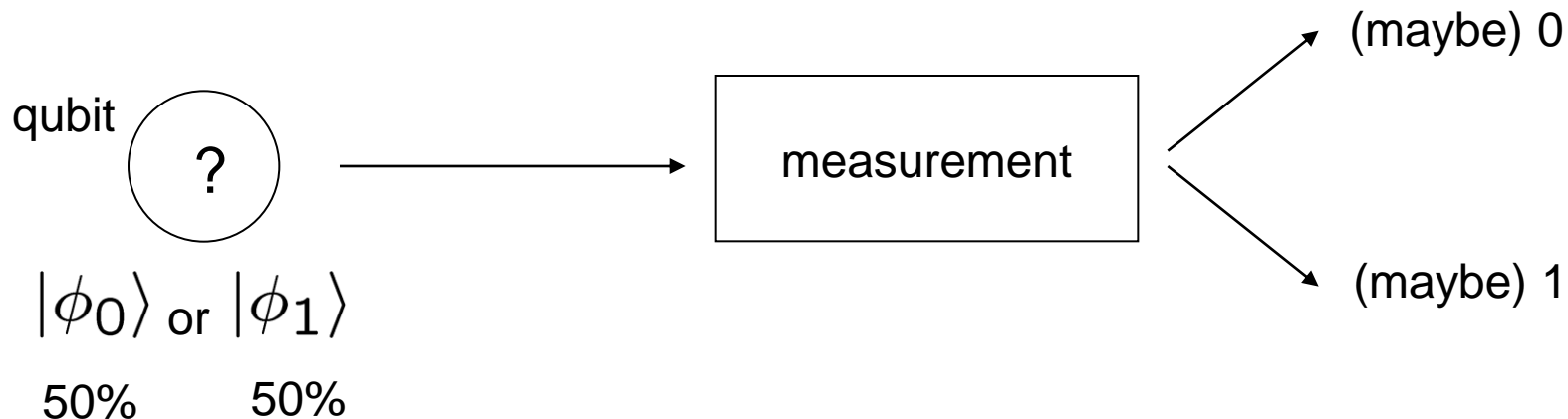
$$\sum_j \mathbf{P}_j = 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \sum_j \hat{F}^{(j)} = \hat{1}$$



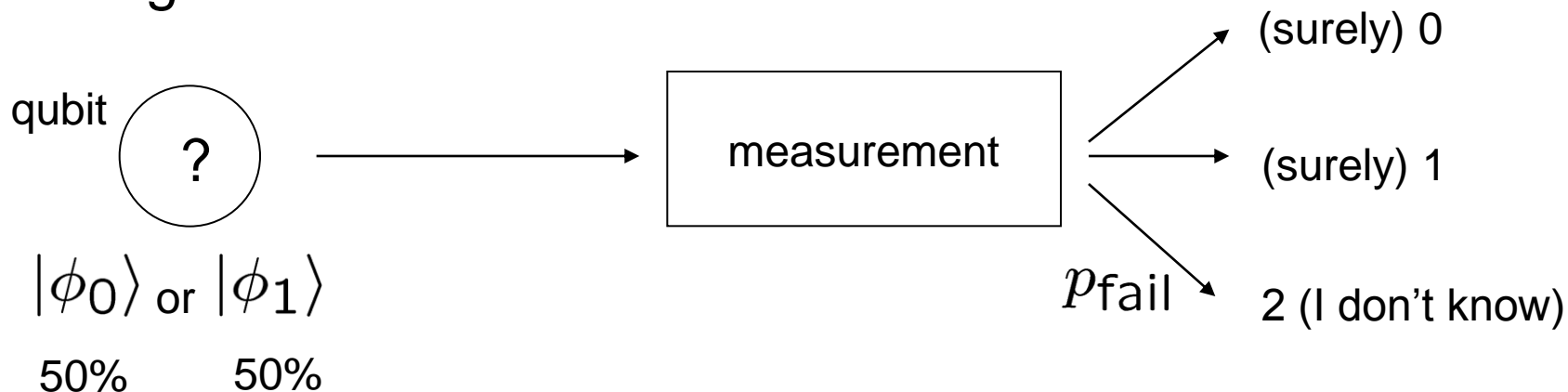
Distinguishing two nonorthogonal states

$$\langle \phi_0 | \phi_1 \rangle = s > 0$$

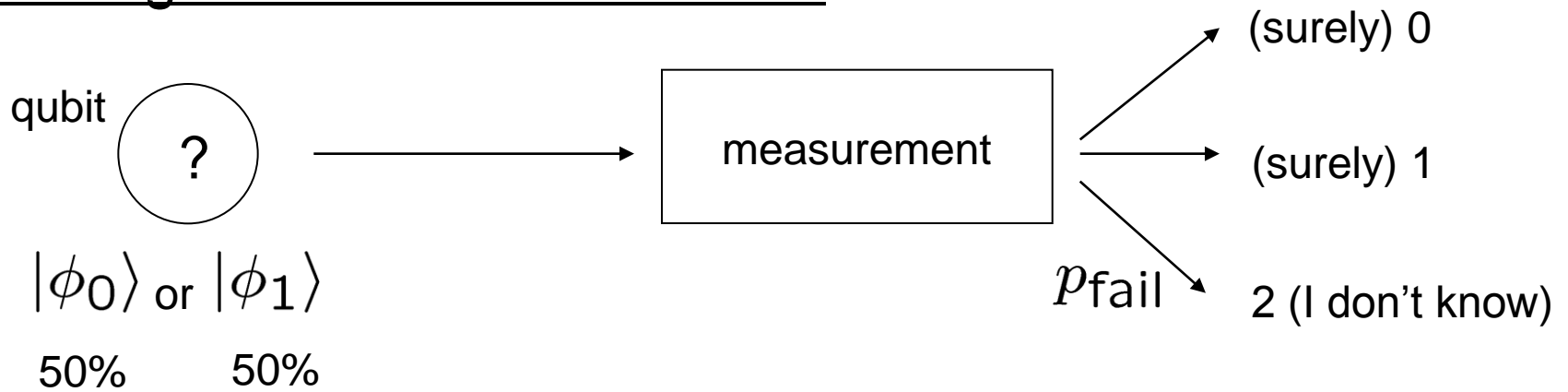
Minimum-error discrimination



Unambiguous state discrimination

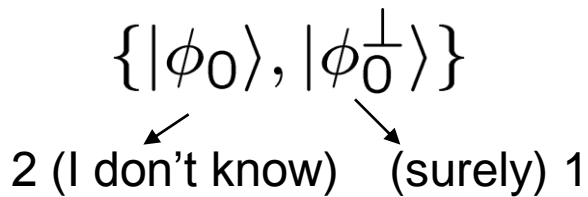


Unambiguous state discrimination



$$\langle \phi_0 | \phi_1 \rangle = s > 0$$

Orthogonal measurement



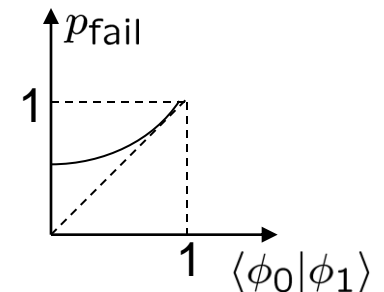
If the initial state is $|\phi_0\rangle$
it always fails.

If the initial state is $|\phi_1\rangle$

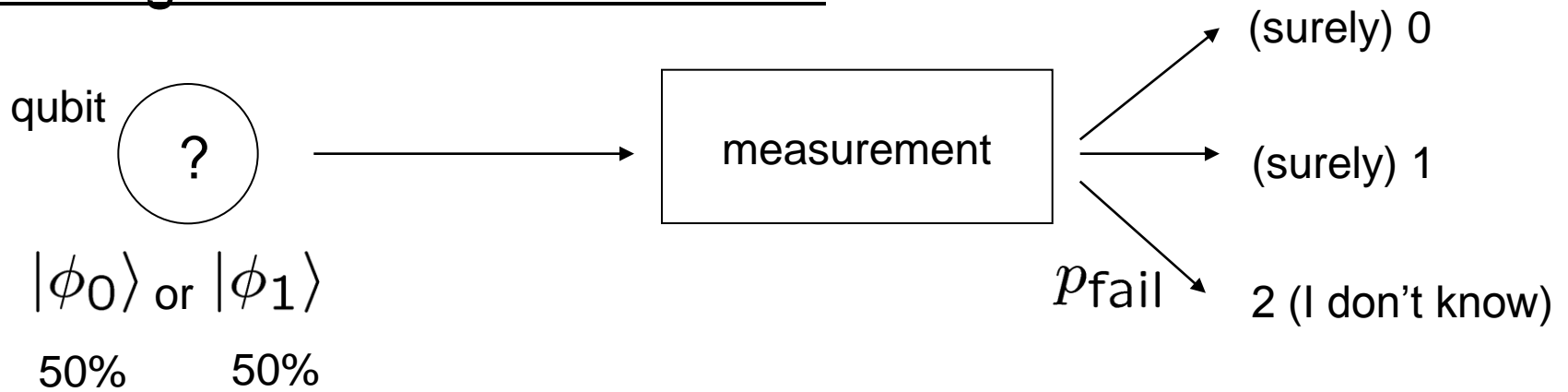
it fails with prob. $|\langle \phi_0 | \phi_1 \rangle|^2 = s^2$

$$\{ |\phi_1\rangle, |\phi_1^\perp\rangle \}$$

$$p_{\text{fail}} = \frac{1 + s^2}{2}$$



Unambiguous state discrimination



$$\langle \phi_0 | \phi_1 \rangle = s > 0$$

Generalized measurement

$$\hat{F}_0 := \mu |\phi_1^\perp\rangle \langle \phi_1^\perp|$$

$$\hat{F}_1 := \mu |\phi_0^\perp\rangle \langle \phi_0^\perp|$$

$$\hat{F}_2 := \hat{1} - \hat{F}_0 - \hat{F}_1$$

The only constraint on μ comes from $\hat{F}_2 \geq 0$

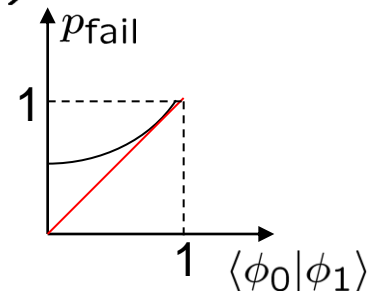
$$\langle \phi_0^\perp | \phi_1^\perp \rangle = s \quad (\hat{F}_0 + \hat{F}_1 \leq \hat{1})$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\hat{F}_0 + \hat{F}_1)(|\phi_0^\perp\rangle \pm |\phi_1^\perp\rangle) \\ = \mu(1 \pm s)(|\phi_0^\perp\rangle \pm |\phi_1^\perp\rangle) \end{aligned}$$

The optimum: $\mu = (1 + s)^{-1}$

$$\begin{aligned} p_{\text{fail}} &= 1 - \frac{\mu}{2} |\langle \phi_0 | \phi_1^\perp \rangle|^2 - \frac{\mu}{2} |\langle \phi_1 | \phi_0^\perp \rangle|^2 \\ &= 1 - \mu(1 - s^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$p_{\text{fail}} = s$$



Quantum operation (Quantum channel, CPTP map)

$$p_j \hat{\rho}_{\text{out}}^{(j)} = \hat{M}^{(j)} \hat{\rho} \hat{M}^{(j)\dagger} \quad \text{with} \quad \sum_j \hat{M}^{(j)\dagger} \hat{M}^{(j)} = \hat{1}$$

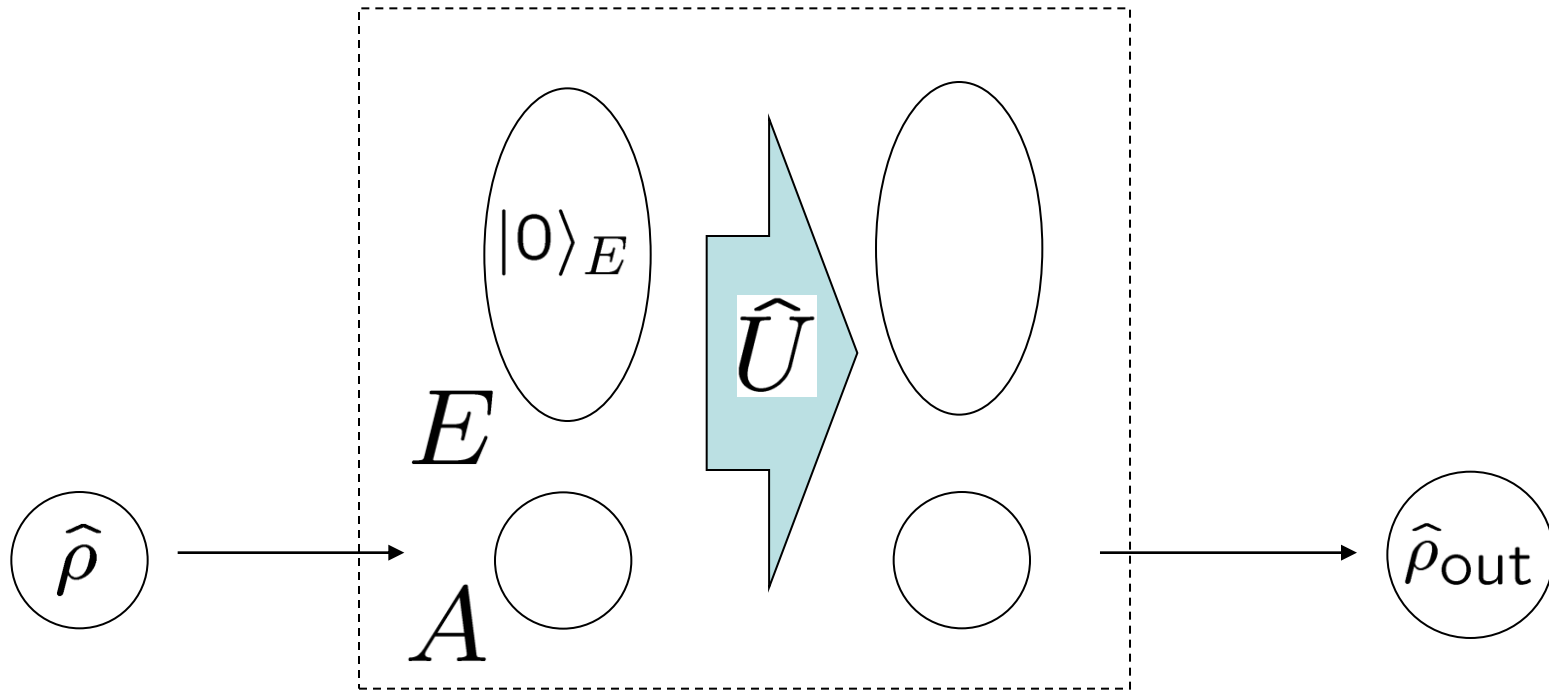


$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\rho}_{\text{out}} &= \sum_j p_j \hat{\rho}_{\text{out}}^{(j)} = \sum_j \hat{M}^{(j)} \hat{\rho} \hat{M}^{(j)\dagger} \\ &= \sum_j {}_E \langle j | \hat{U} (\hat{\rho} \otimes |0\rangle_{EE} \langle 0|) \hat{U}^\dagger |j\rangle_E \\ &= \text{Tr}_E [\hat{U} (\hat{\rho} \otimes |0\rangle_{EE} \langle 0|) \hat{U}^\dagger] \end{aligned}$$

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$\hat{\rho}_{\text{out}} = \mathcal{C}(\hat{\rho})$ completely-positive trace-preserving map
CPTP map

Quantum operation (Quantum channel, CPTP map)



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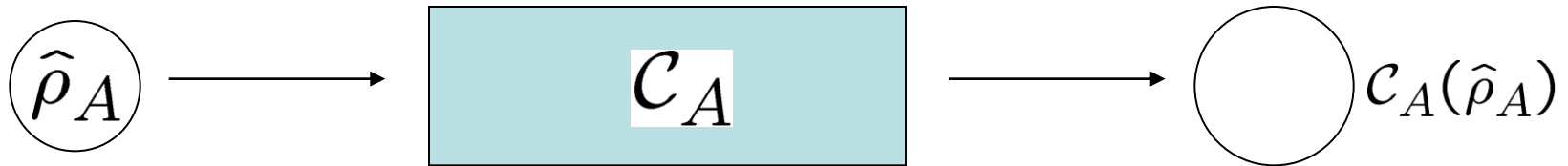
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Positive maps and completely-positive maps

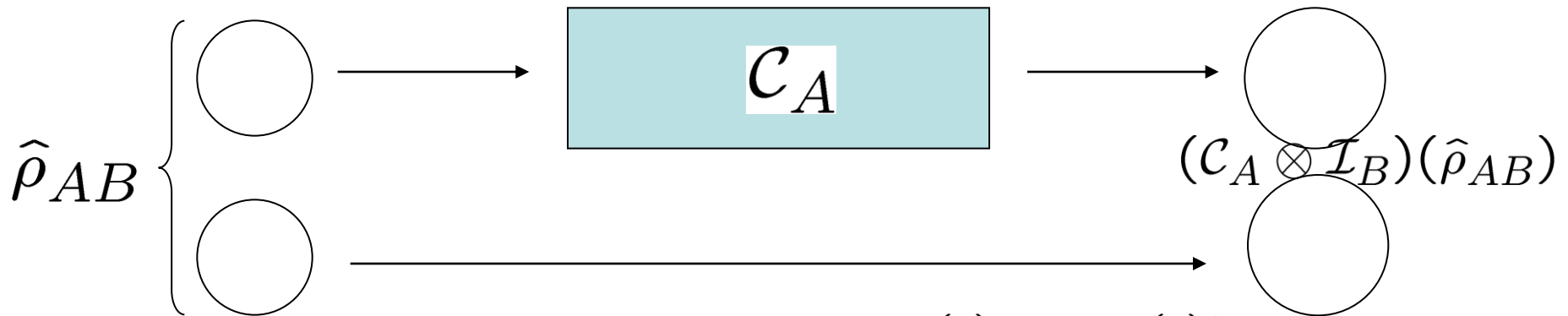
Linear map

$$\hat{\rho}_A \mapsto \mathcal{C}_A(\hat{\rho}_A)$$

“positive”: $\mathcal{C}_A(\hat{\rho}_A)$ is positive whenever $\hat{\rho}_A$ is positive



“completely-positive”: $(\mathcal{C}_A \otimes \mathcal{I}_B)(\hat{\rho}_{AB})$ is positive whenever $\hat{\rho}_{AB}$ is positive



$$(\mathcal{C}_A \otimes \mathcal{I}_B)(\hat{\rho}_{AB}) = \sum_j \hat{M}_A^{(j)} \hat{\rho}_{AB} \hat{M}_A^{(j)\dagger}$$

Power of an ancilla system

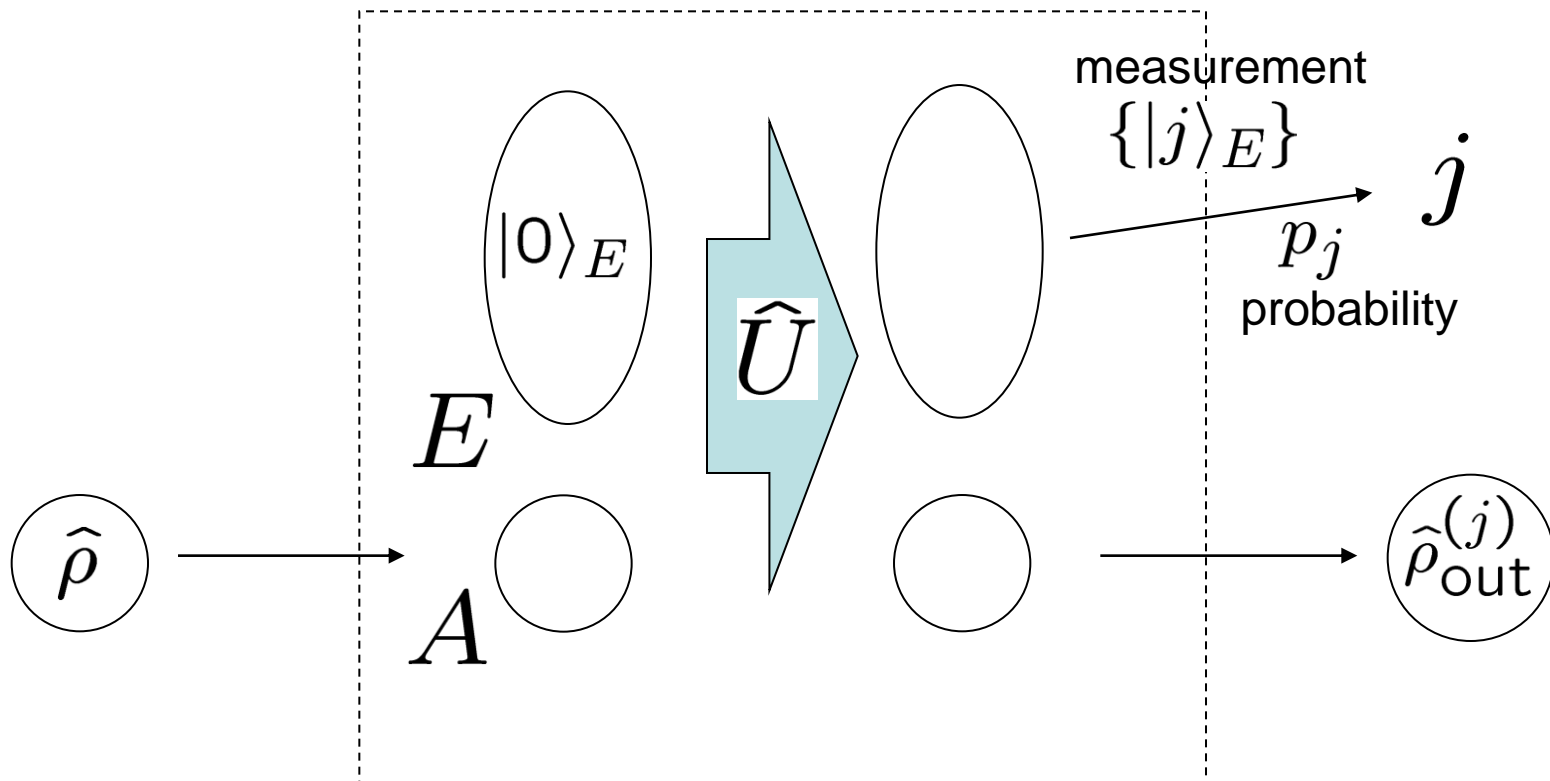
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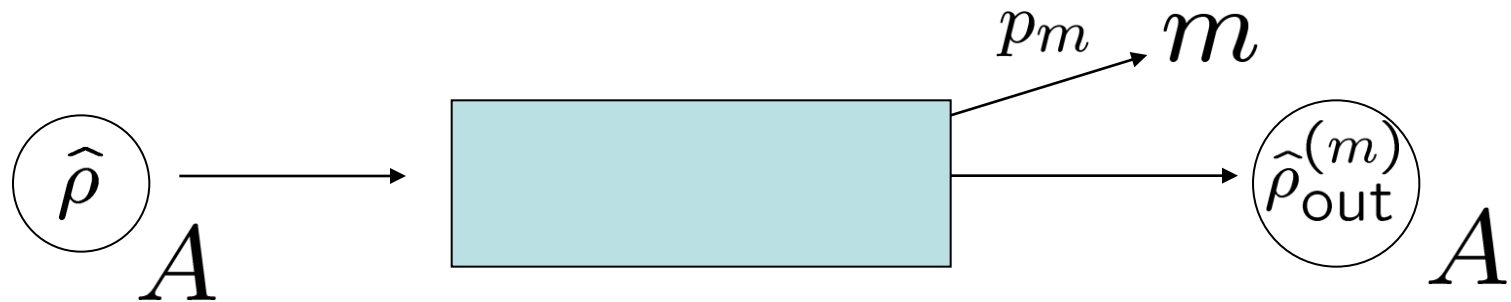


What can we do in principle?

We have seen what we can (at least) do by using an ancilla system.

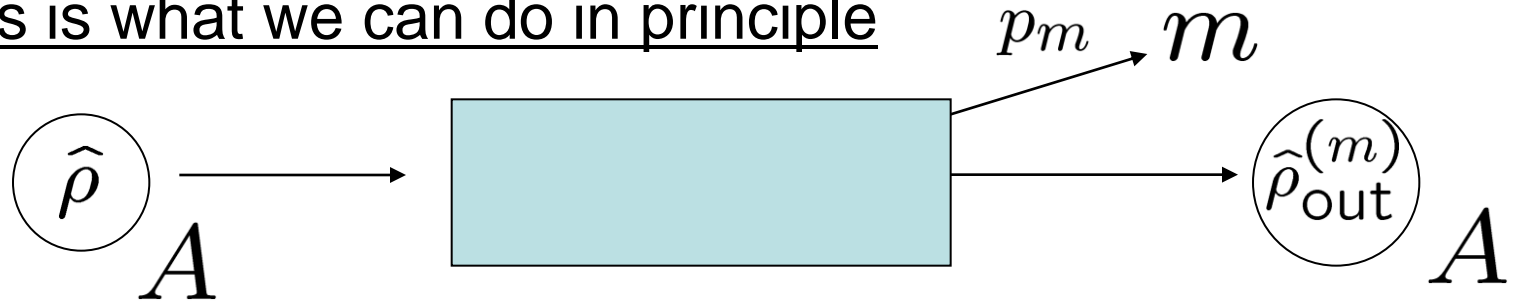
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We also want to know what we **cannot** do.



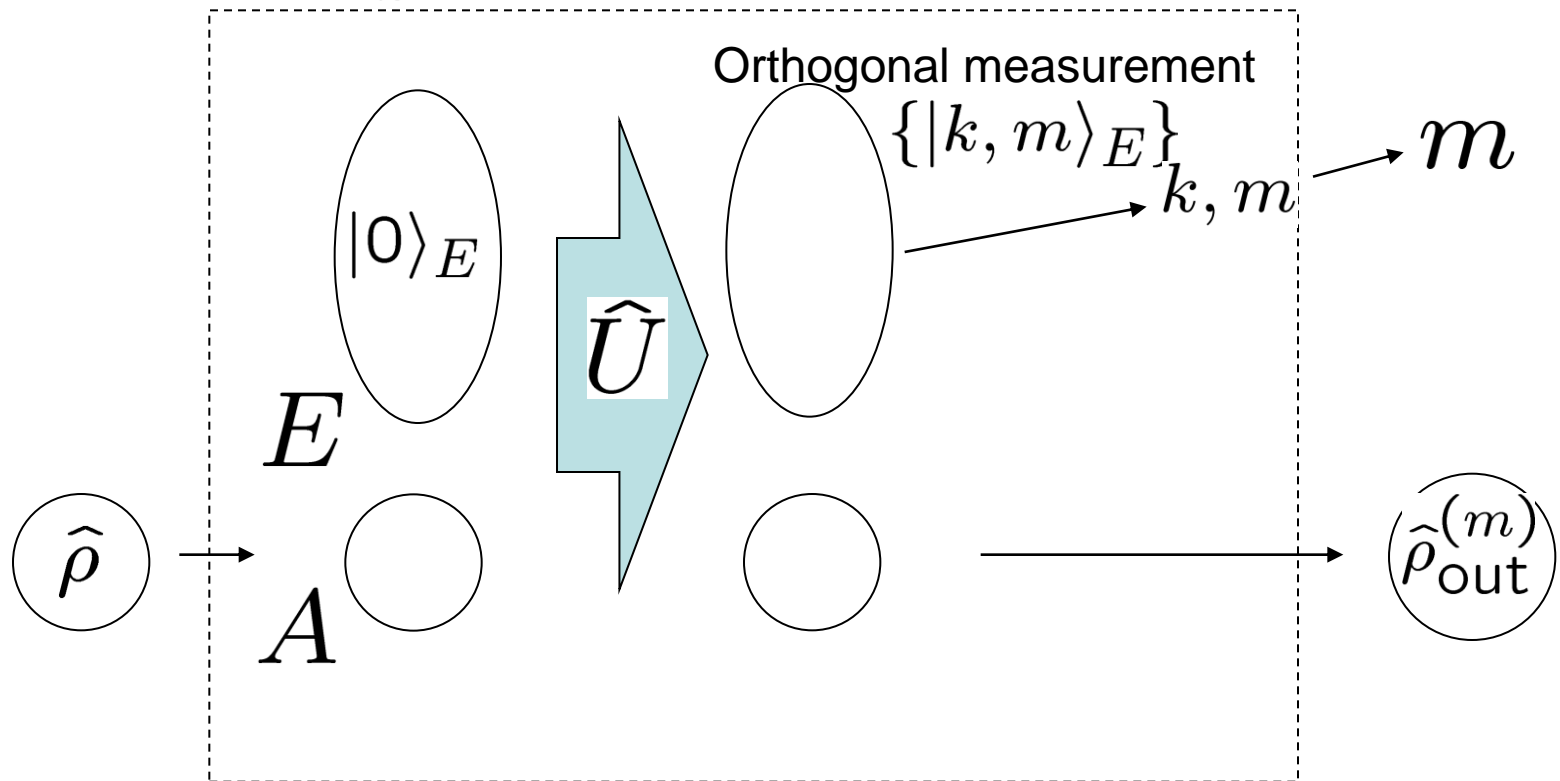
Black box with classical and quantum outputs

This is what we can do in principle

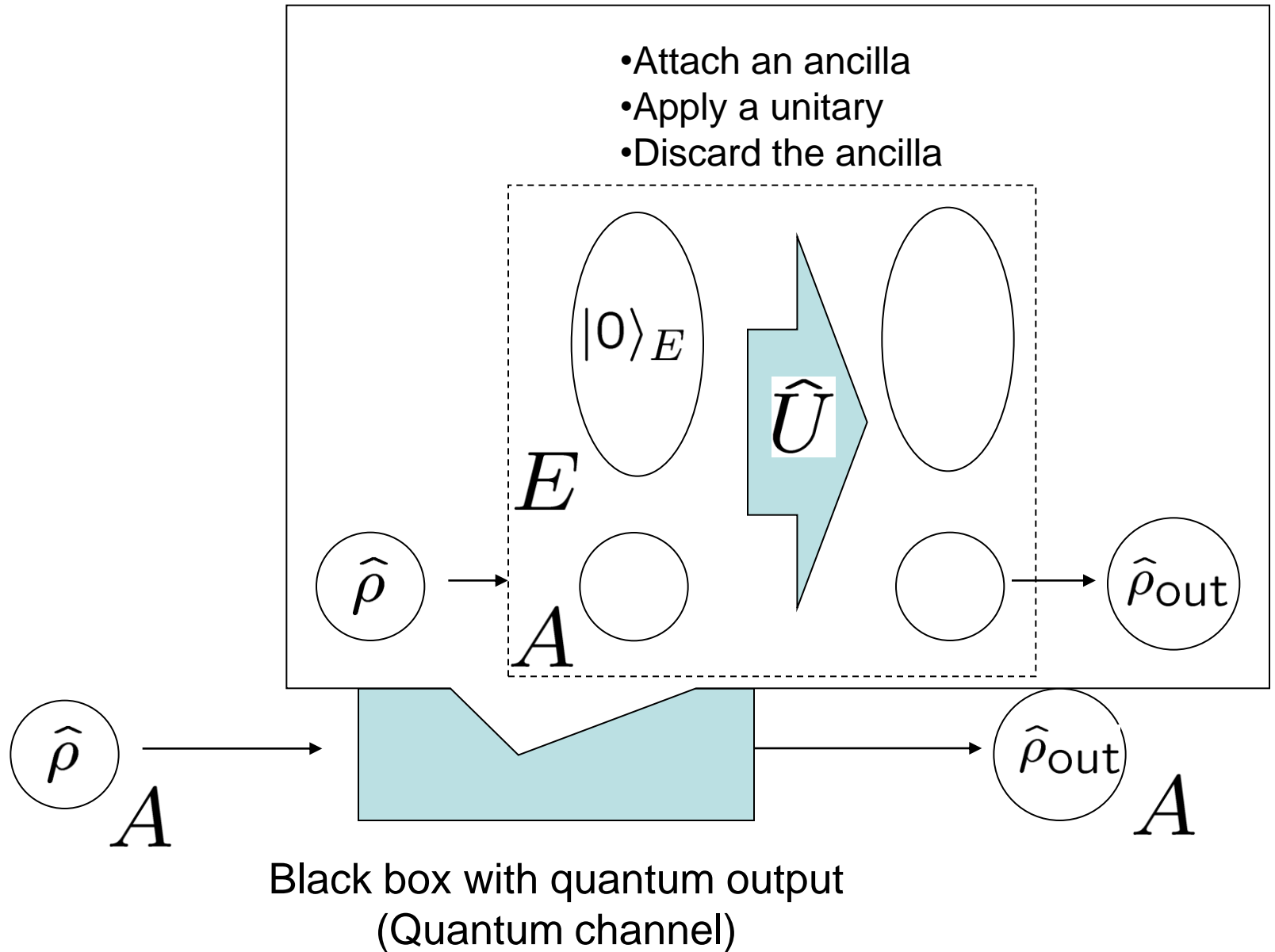


Any physical process should be represented in the following form:

$$p_m \hat{\rho}_{out}^{(m)} = \sum_k \hat{M}^{(k,m)} \hat{\rho} \hat{M}^{(k,m)\dagger} \quad \sum_{m,k} \hat{M}^{(k,m)\dagger} \hat{M}^{(k,m)} = \hat{1}_A$$

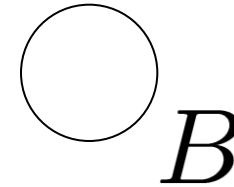
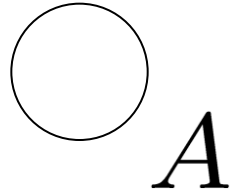


What can we do in principle?



Maximally entangled states (MES)

$$\dim \mathcal{H}_A = \dim \mathcal{H}_B = d$$



Orthonormal
bases

$$\{|k\rangle_A\}_{k=1,2,\dots,d}$$

$$\{|k\rangle_B\}_{k=1,2,\dots,d}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^d \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} |k\rangle_A \otimes |k\rangle_B$$


Maximally entangled state

(with Schmidt number d)

Properties of MES (II): Relative states

Fix a maximally entangled state

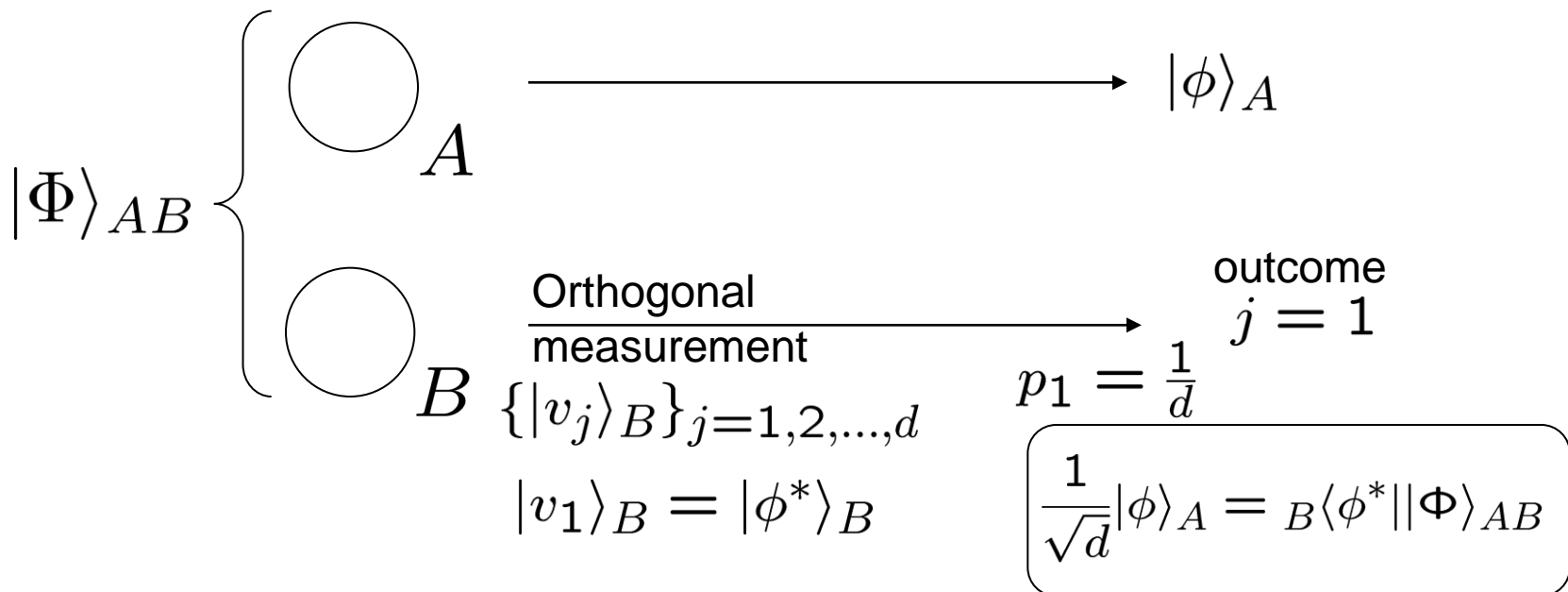
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$$|\Phi\rangle_{AB} = \sum_{k=1}^d \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} |k\rangle_A |k\rangle_B$$


Relative states

$$|\phi\rangle_A = \sum_k \alpha_k |k\rangle_A \longleftrightarrow |\phi^*\rangle_B = \sum_k \overline{\alpha_k} |k\rangle_B$$


$$= \sqrt{d} \times {}_B \langle \phi^* | | \Phi \rangle_{AB} \qquad = \sqrt{d} \times {}_A \langle \phi | | \Phi \rangle_{AB}$$

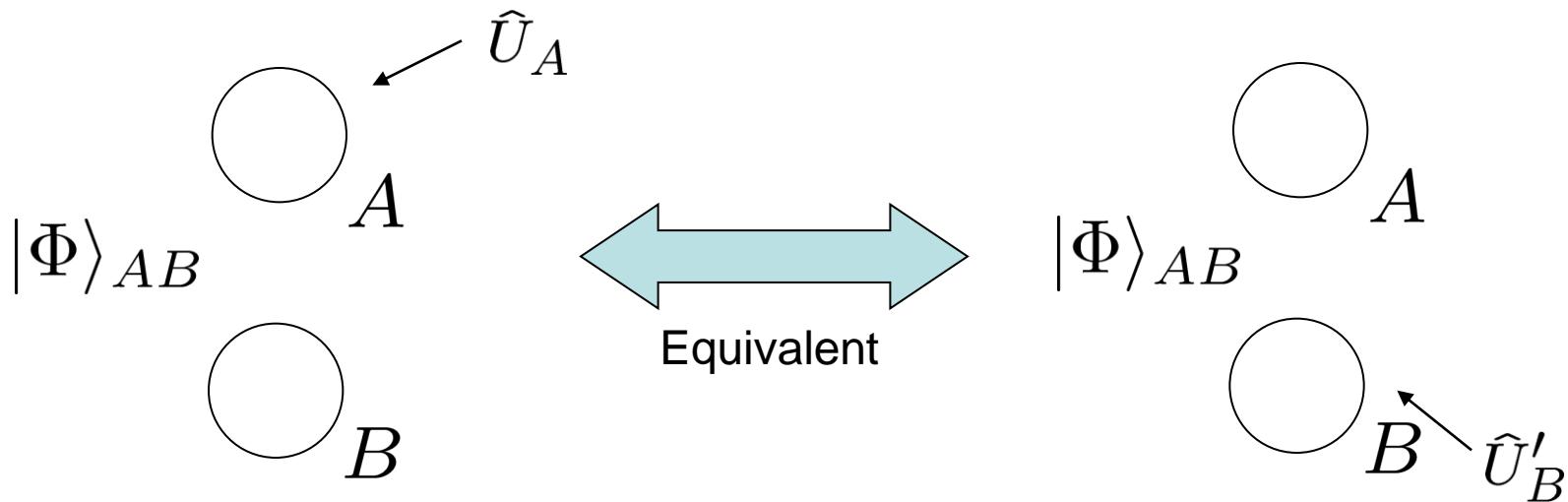


Properties of MES (III): Pair of equivalent local operations

$$|\Phi\rangle_{AB} = \sum_{k=1}^d \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} |k\rangle_A |k\rangle_B$$

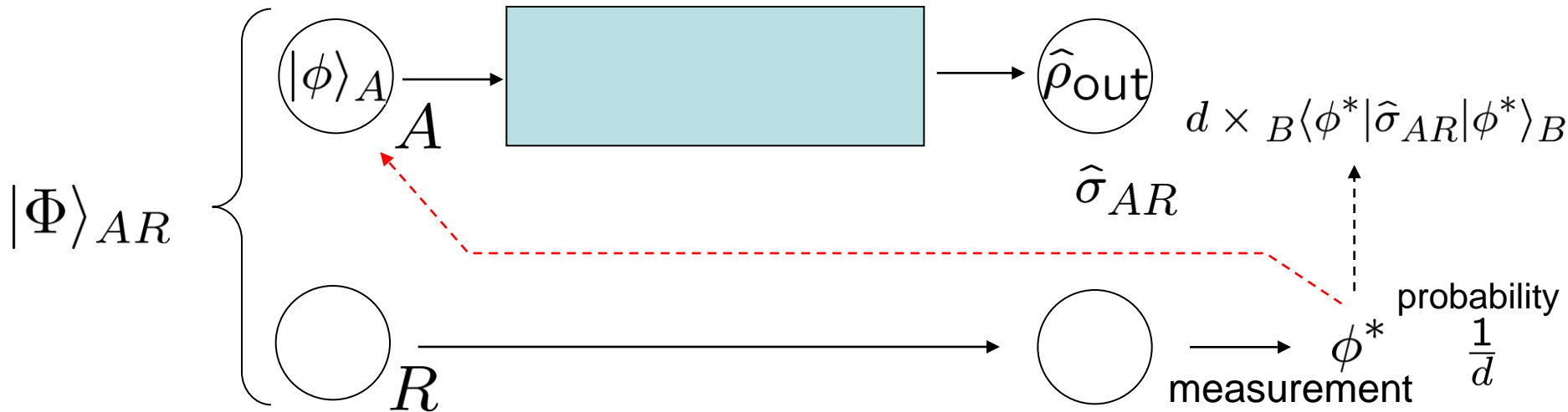
$$(\hat{T}_A \otimes \hat{1}_B) |\Phi\rangle_{AB} = (\hat{1}_A \otimes \hat{T}'_B) |\Phi\rangle_{AB}$$


 $A\langle l| \otimes B\langle k|$
 $A\langle l| \hat{T}_A |k\rangle_A = B\langle k| \hat{T}'_B |l\rangle_B$
↑ ↓
transpose



Quantum operation and bipartite state

We can remotely prepare system A in **any** state with a nonzero success probability.
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 At **any** time



$\hat{\sigma}_{AR}$: The state obtained when a half of an MES is fed to the channel.

If this state is known,

$$\hat{\rho}_{\text{out}} = \sum_B \langle \phi^* | \hat{\sigma}_{AR} | \phi^* \rangle_B d \quad \text{Output for every input state is known!}$$

Characterization of a **process** = Characterization of a **state**

Quantum operation and bipartite state



$$\hat{\rho}_{\text{out}} = \sqrt{d_R} \langle \phi^* | \hat{\sigma}_{AR} | \phi^* \rangle_R \sqrt{d}$$

$${}_R \langle \phi^* | = \sqrt{d} \sum_j {}_{AR} \langle \Phi | | \phi \rangle \quad \hat{\sigma}_{AR} = \sum_j | \Psi_j \rangle_{AR} {}_{AR} \langle \Psi_j |$$

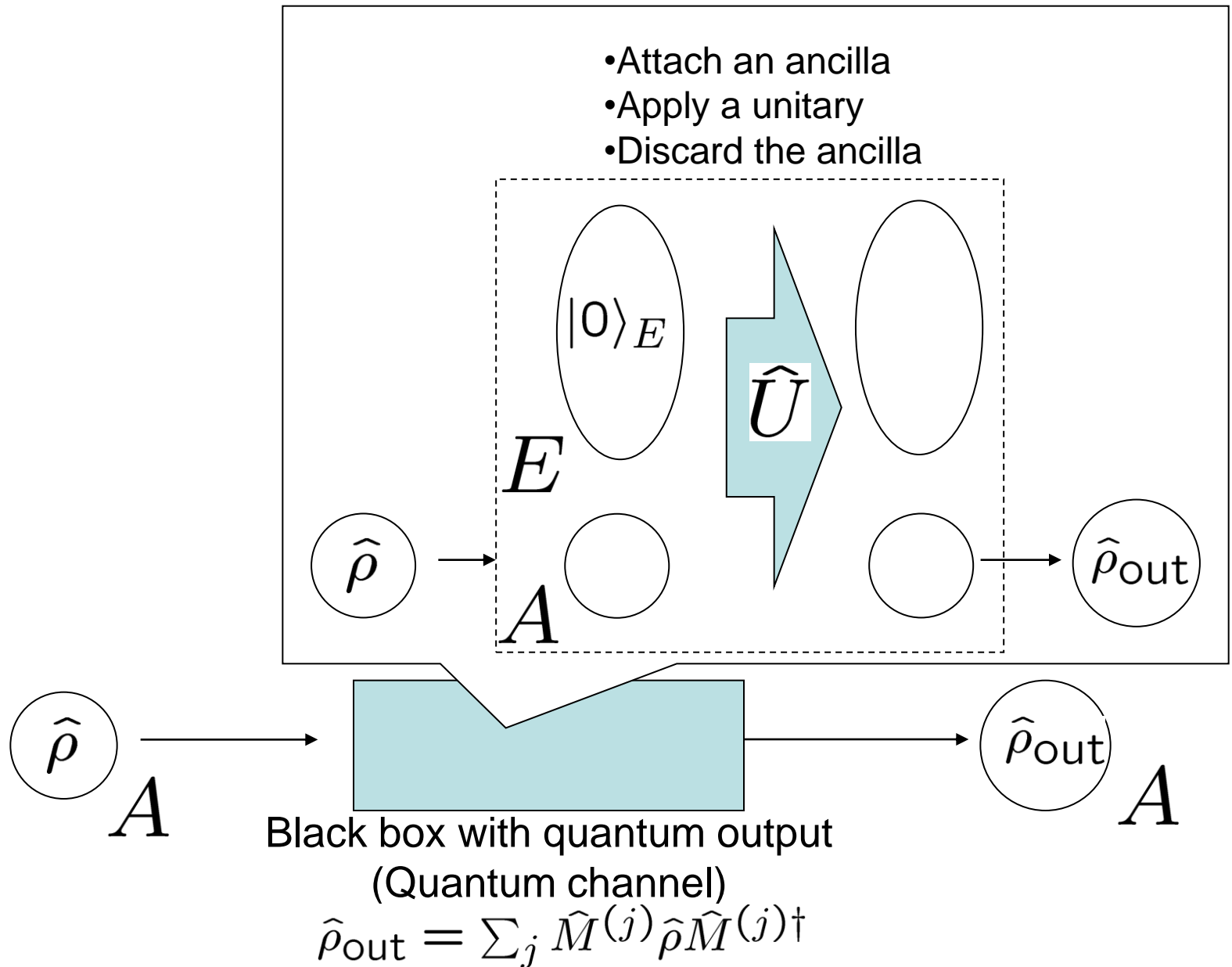
unnormalized

$$\sqrt{d} {}_R \langle \phi^* | | \Psi_j \rangle_{AR} = \hat{M}^{(j)} | \phi \rangle_A \quad (\text{A linear map})$$

$$\hat{\rho}_{\text{out}} = \sum_j \hat{M}^{(j)} | \phi \rangle_A {}_A \langle \phi | \hat{M}^{(j)\dagger}$$

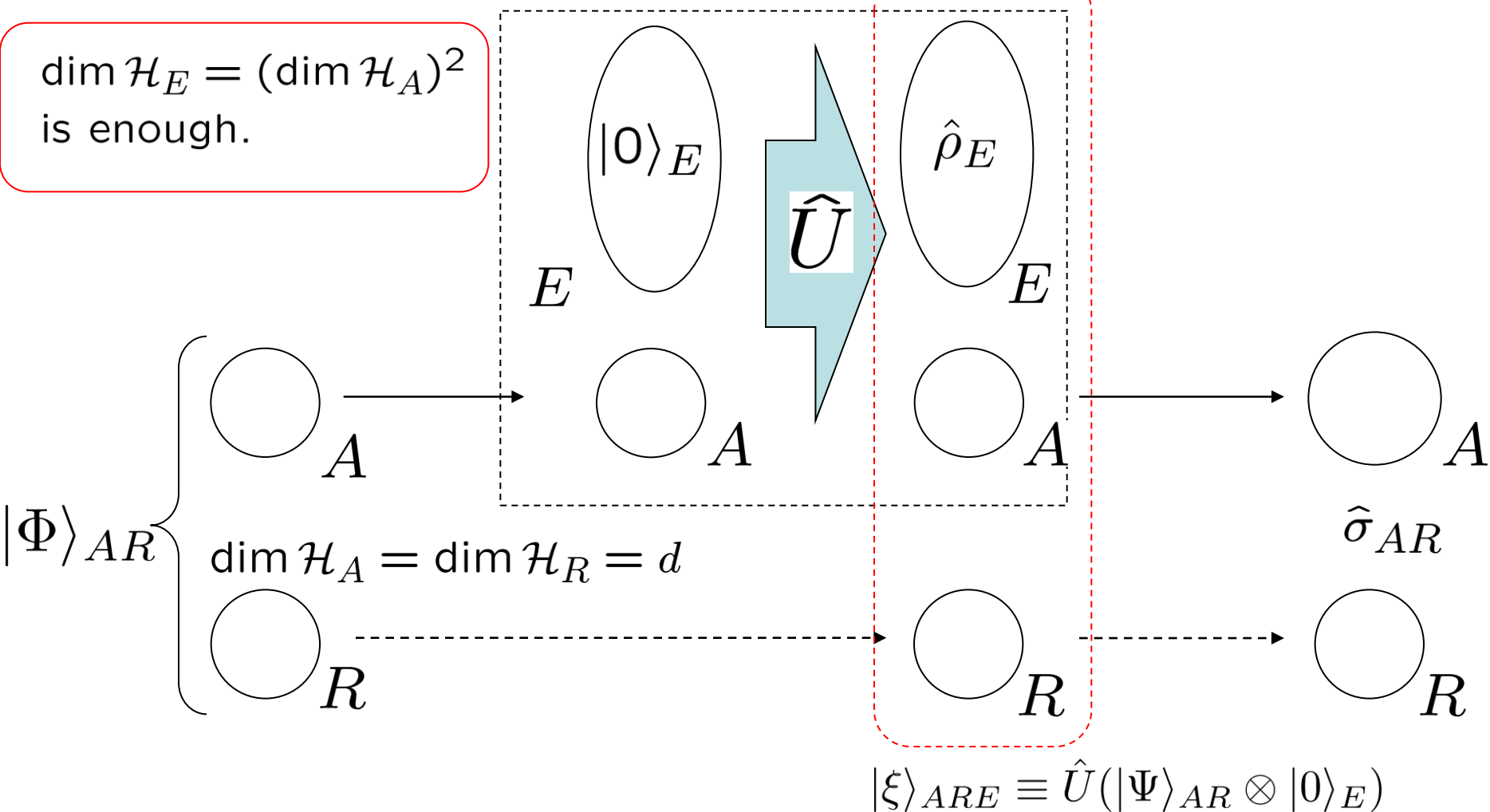
$${}_{AR} \langle \Phi | \left| \begin{array}{l} | \phi \rangle_A \\ | \Psi_j \rangle_{AR} \end{array} \right.$$

What we can do in principle



Size of the ancilla system

$\dim \mathcal{H}_E = (\dim \mathcal{H}_A)^2$
is enough.



$$\dim(\text{Ran } \hat{\rho}_E) = \dim(\text{Ran } \hat{\rho}_{AR}) \leq \dim \mathcal{H}_{AR} = d^2$$

Universal NOT ? Spin reversal ?

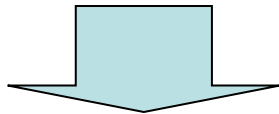
Bloch vector

$$\mathbf{P} \rightarrow -\mathbf{P}$$

linear map $\hat{\rho} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(\hat{\rho})$

$$\mathcal{C}(\hat{1}) = \hat{1} \quad \mathcal{C}(\hat{\sigma}_x) = -\hat{\sigma}_x$$

$$\mathcal{C}(\hat{\sigma}_y) = -\hat{\sigma}_y \quad \mathcal{C}(\hat{\sigma}_z) = -\hat{\sigma}_z$$

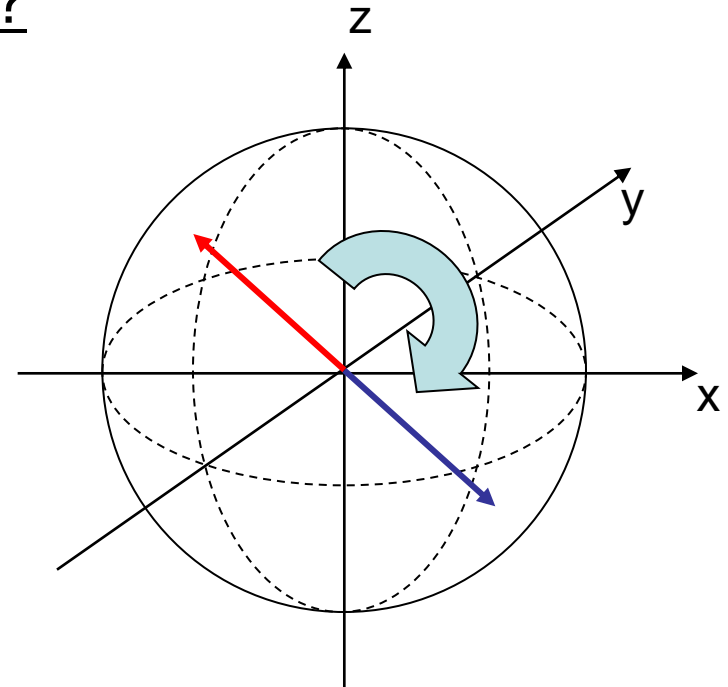


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$$\hat{\sigma}_x = |1\rangle\langle 0| + |0\rangle\langle 1|$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_y = i|1\rangle\langle 0| - i|0\rangle\langle 1|$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_z = |0\rangle\langle 0| - |1\rangle\langle 1|$$

$$\hat{1} = |0\rangle\langle 0| + |1\rangle\langle 1|$$

This map is positive, but...

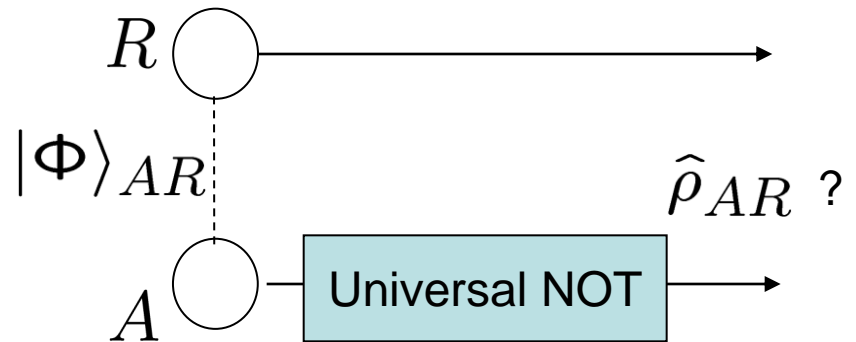
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$$2|\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi| = (|00\rangle + |11\rangle)(\langle 00| + \langle 11|)$$

$$= |00\rangle\langle 00| + |00\rangle\langle 11| + |11\rangle\langle 00| + |11\rangle\langle 11|$$

$$2\hat{\rho}_{AR} \equiv 2(\mathcal{C} \otimes \mathcal{I})|\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi| =$$

$$= |10\rangle\langle 10| - |00\rangle\langle 11| - |11\rangle\langle 00| + |01\rangle\langle 01|$$

$$2\hat{\rho}_{AR}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle) = -|11\rangle - |00\rangle = -(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

$\hat{\rho}_{AR}$ has a negative eigenvalue! (The map is not completely positive.)

—————> Universal NOT is impossible.