

Certifying quantum entanglement in many-body systems via inverse statistical methods

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Noisy intermediate-scale quantum devices

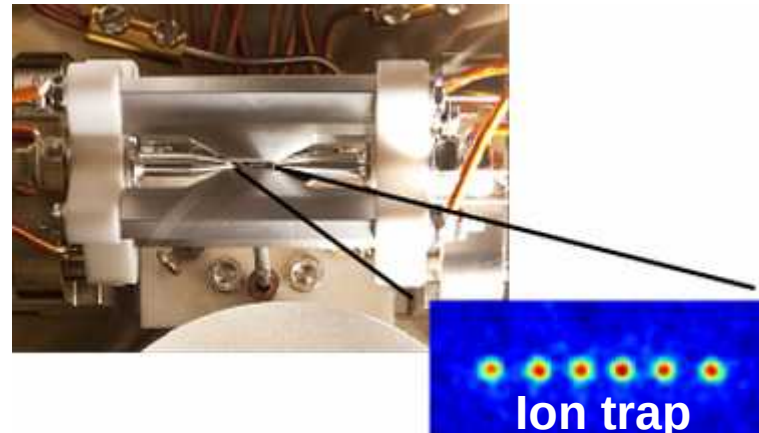
(Preskill, Quantum 2018)

trapped ions, superconducting qubits, cold atoms, photons, quantum dots, vacancy centers in diamond, phosphorous embedded in silicon
50-70 qubits, error/gate 0.01%.



Superconducting qubits

Google
 IBM (in the cloud)...



Monroe, Wineland (NIST)
 Blatt (Innsbruck, Austria)
 Cirac & Zoller PRL 1995

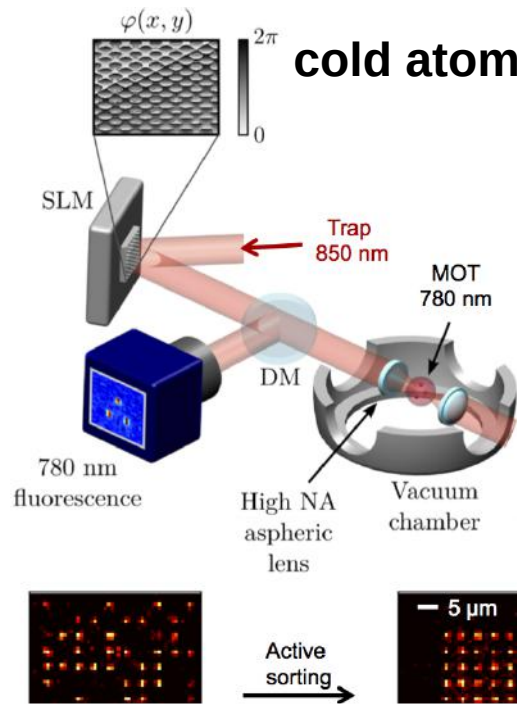
→ Optimization problems

- e.g. compute ground state energies of quantum Hamiltonians
- More generally: minimize some objective function
 - lattice gauge theories (Kokail *et al*, Nature 2019)
 - quantum chemistry (water molecule: Nam *et al*, NJP quantum info 2020)

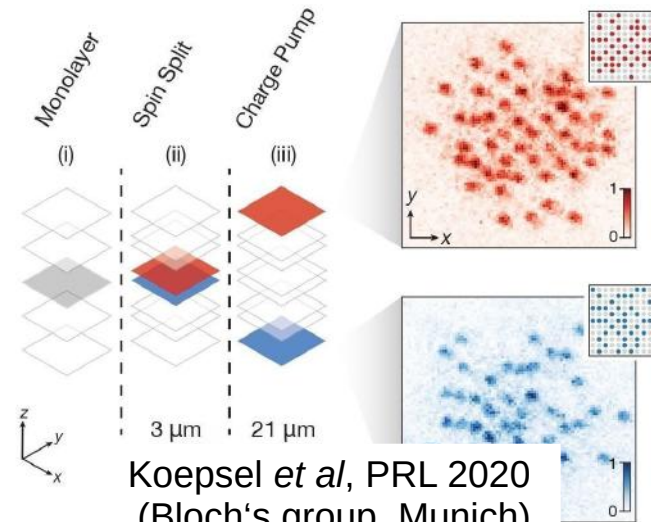
→ **Not useful yet, but reasonable to expect near-term applications of quantum subroutines, for very specific optimization problems**

Quantum simulators for many-body physics

cold atoms in tweezers or lattices, trapped ions
100-1000 atoms



Browaeys & Lahaye, Nat. Phys. 2020
(Institut d'optique, Palaiseau)



Koepsel *et al*, PRL 2020
(Bloch's group, Munich)

→ Simulation of condensed matter (Wecker *et al*, PRA 2015)
(Hubbard models, spin liquids, topological phases)

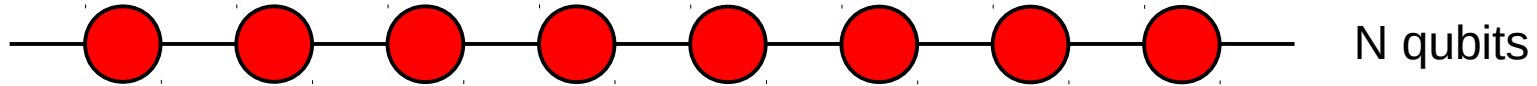
Magnified lattice structure, access to individual d.o.f

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(Zohar, Cirac & Reznik, Rep. Prog. Phys. 2016; Mil *et al* Science 2020)

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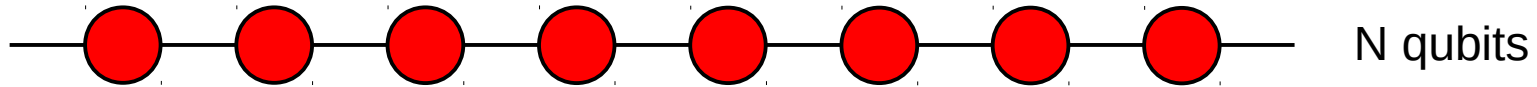
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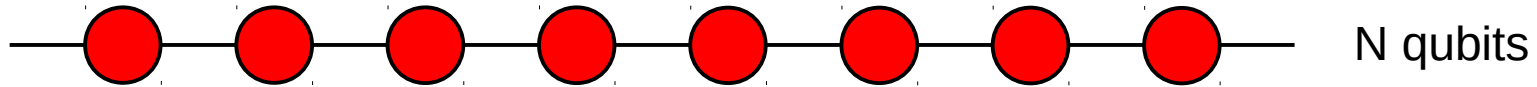
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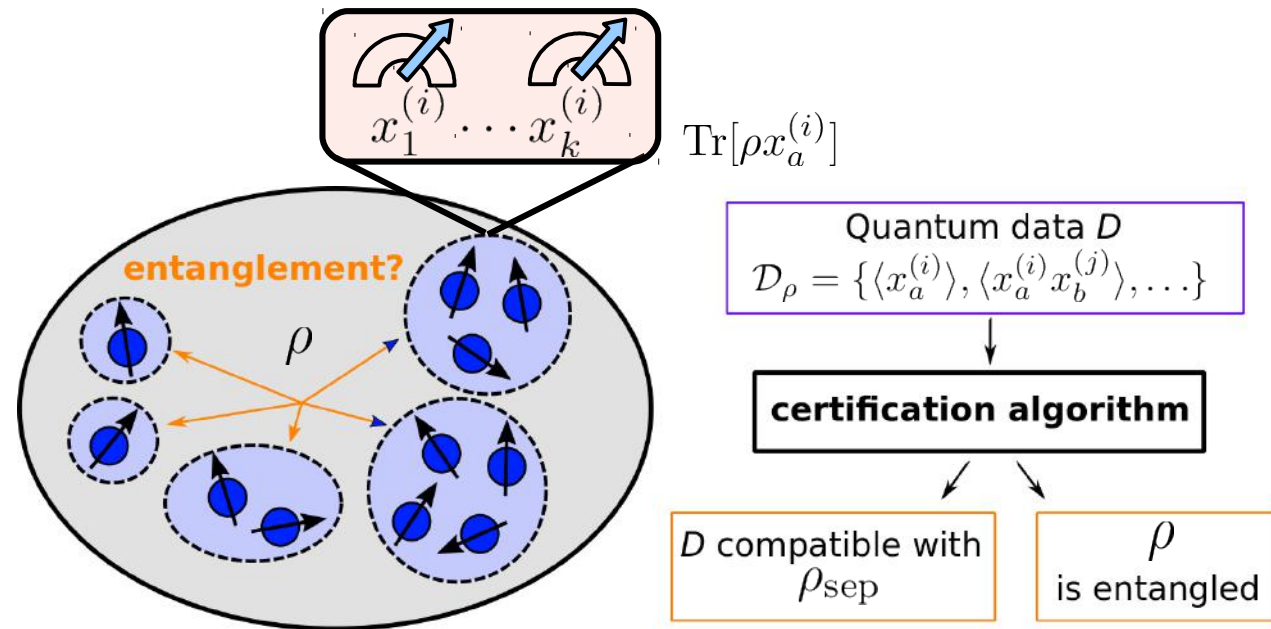
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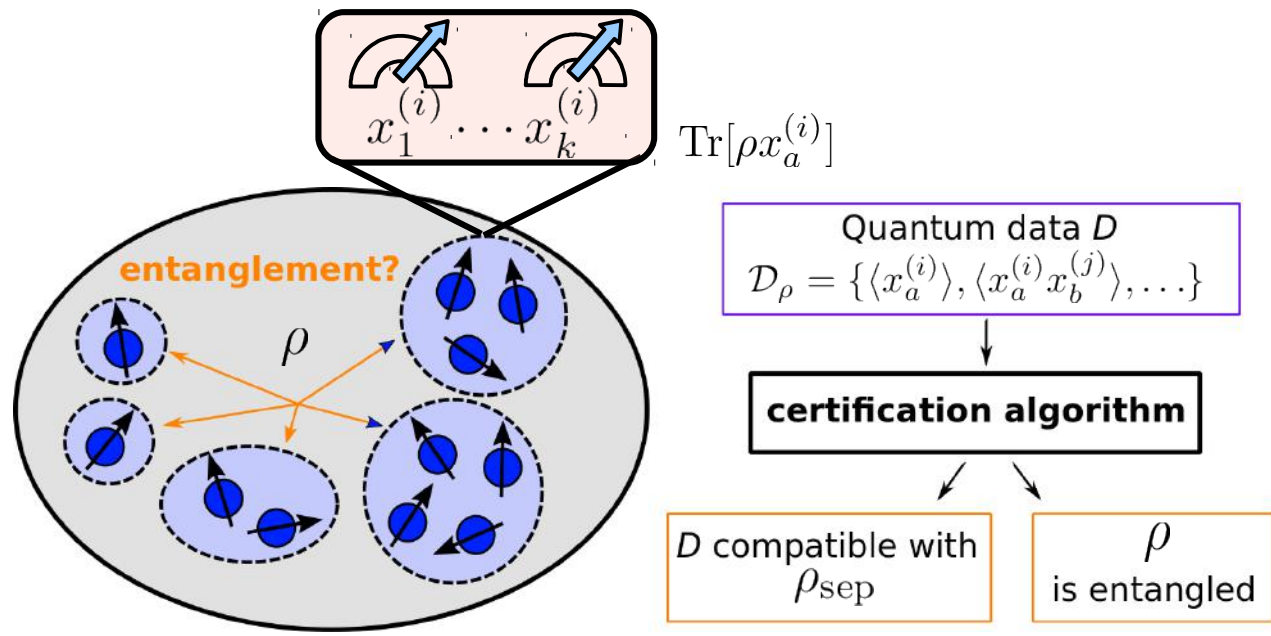
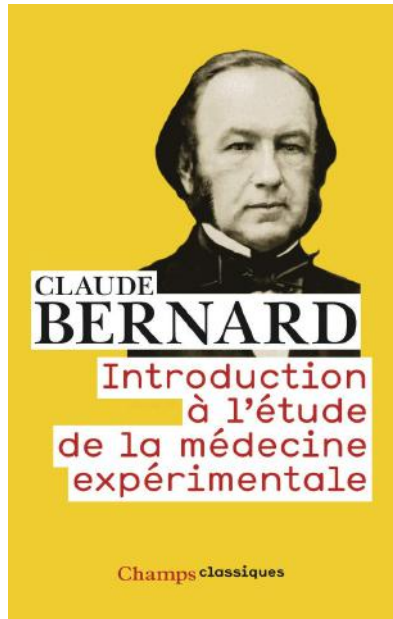


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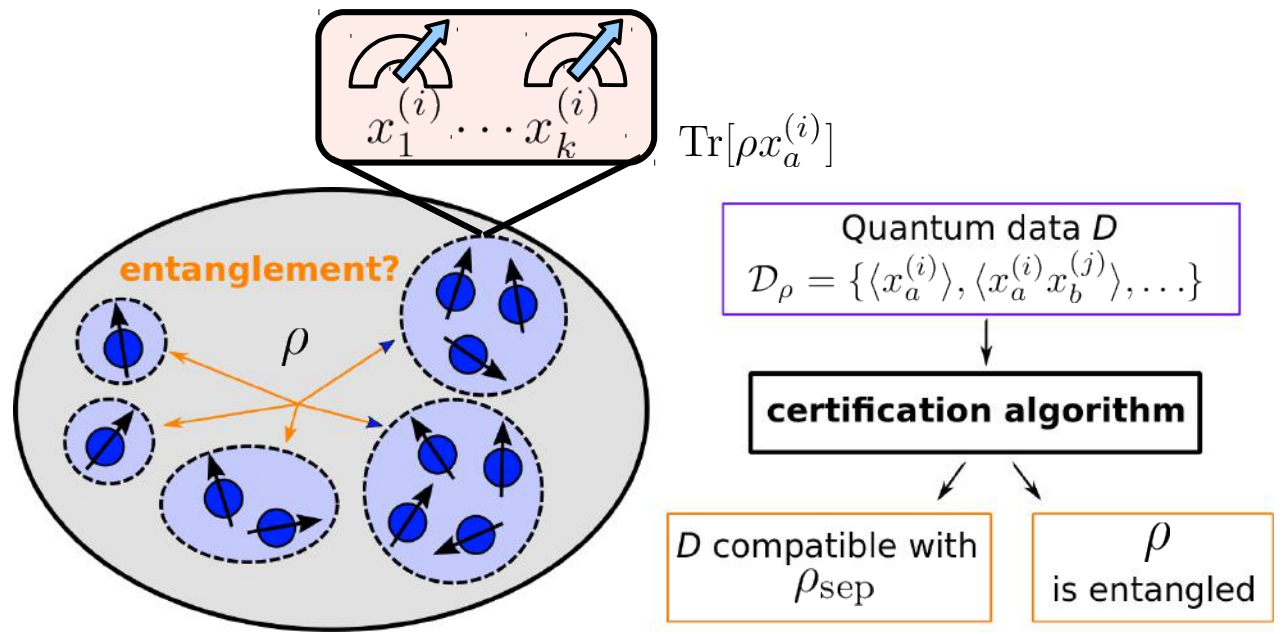
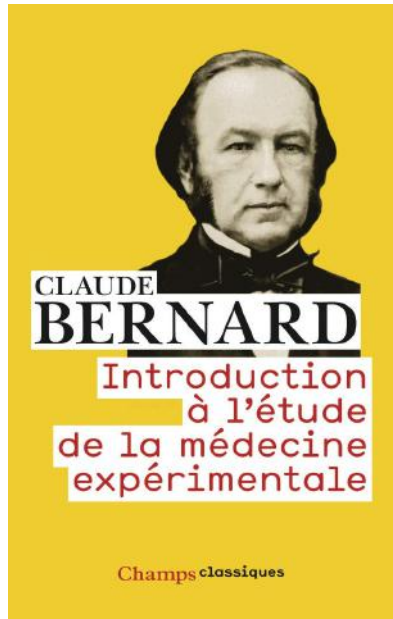


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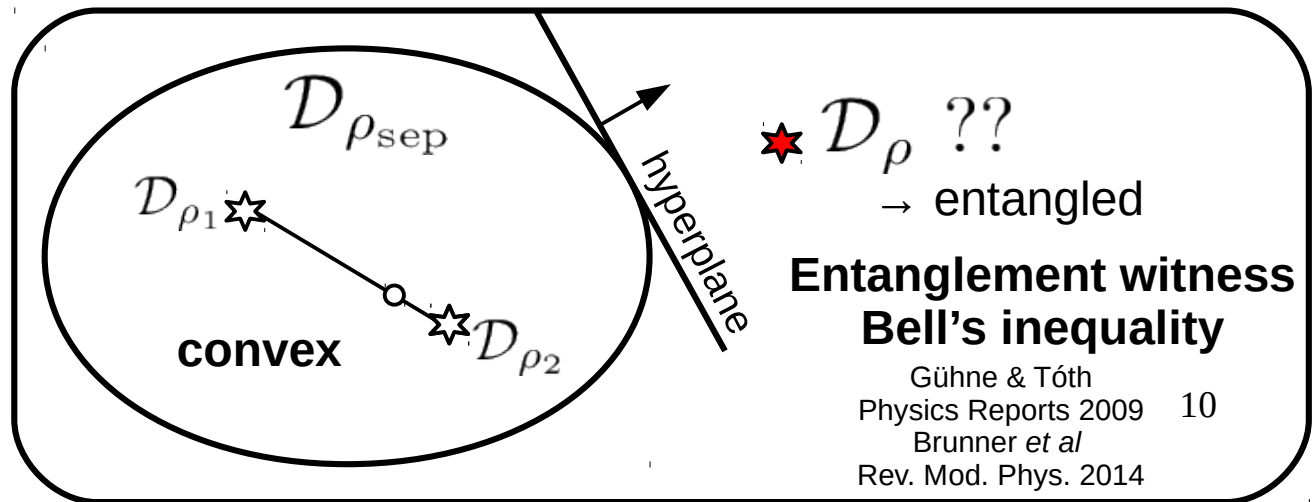
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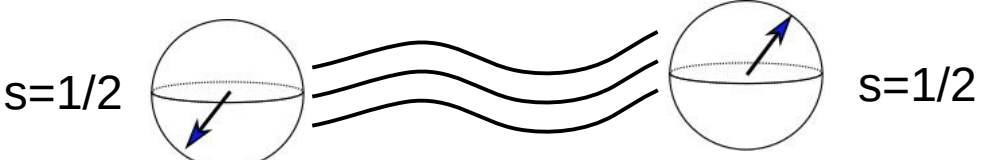


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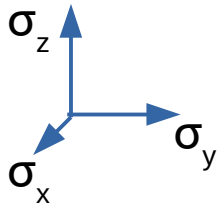
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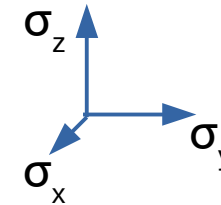


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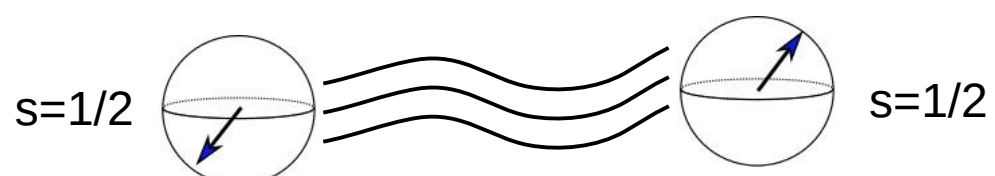
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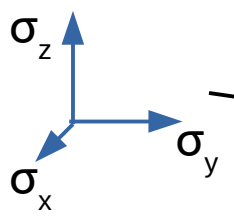
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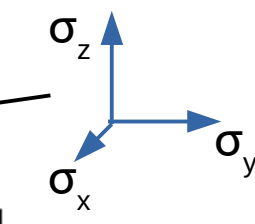


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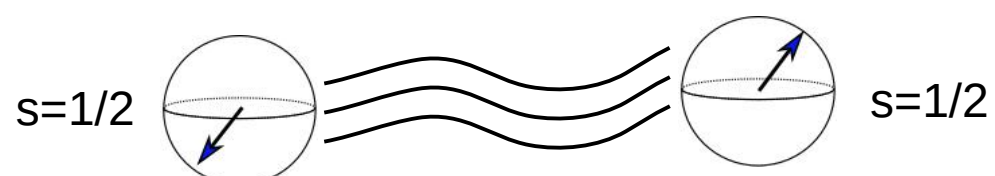
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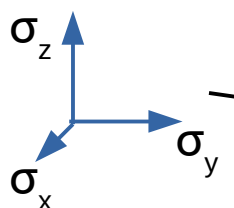
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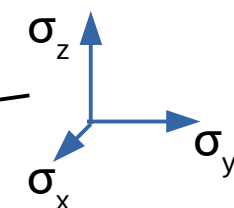
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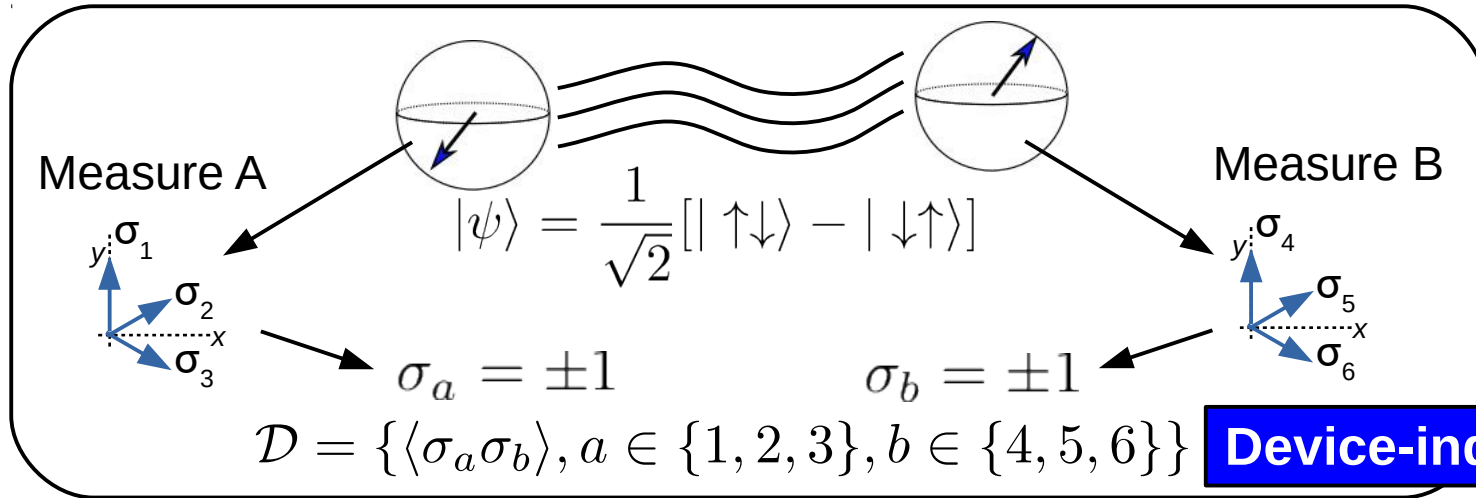
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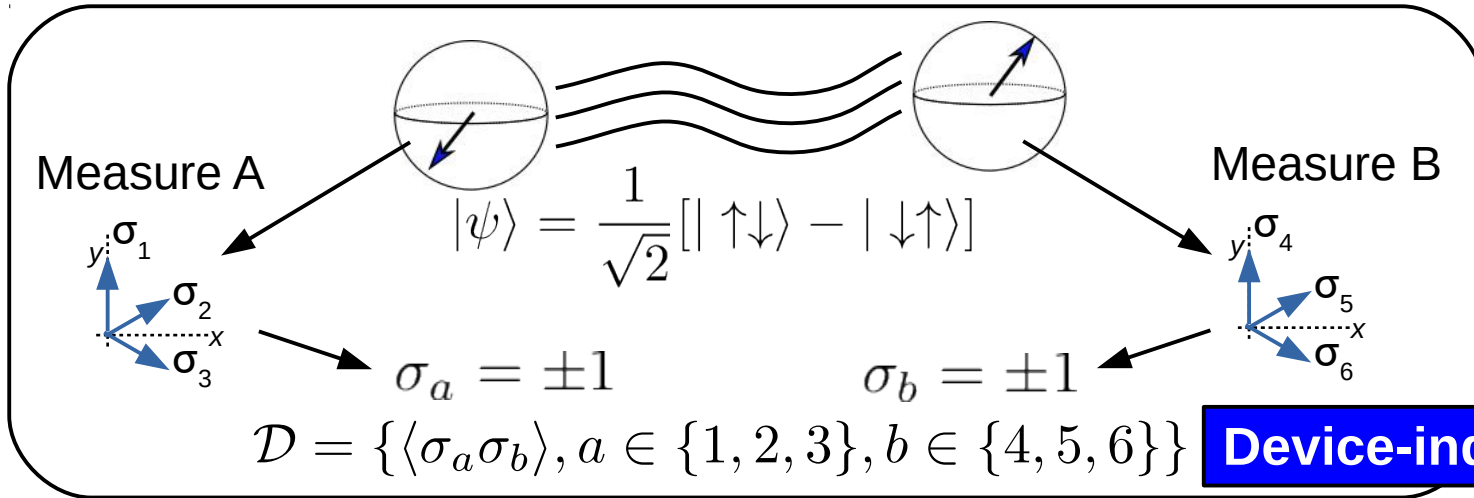
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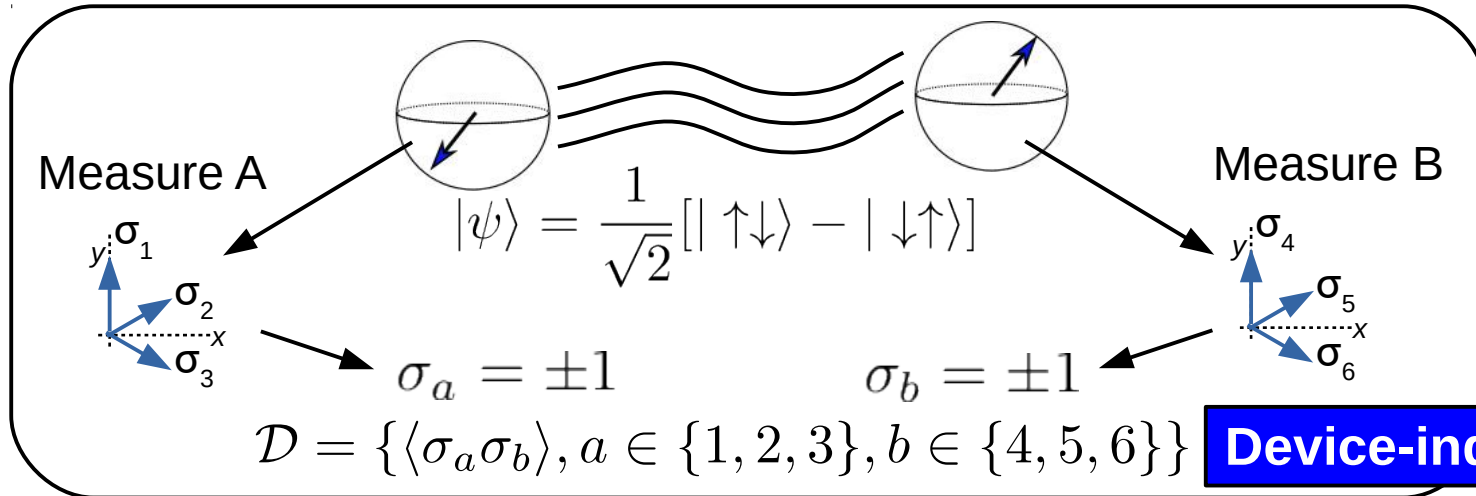
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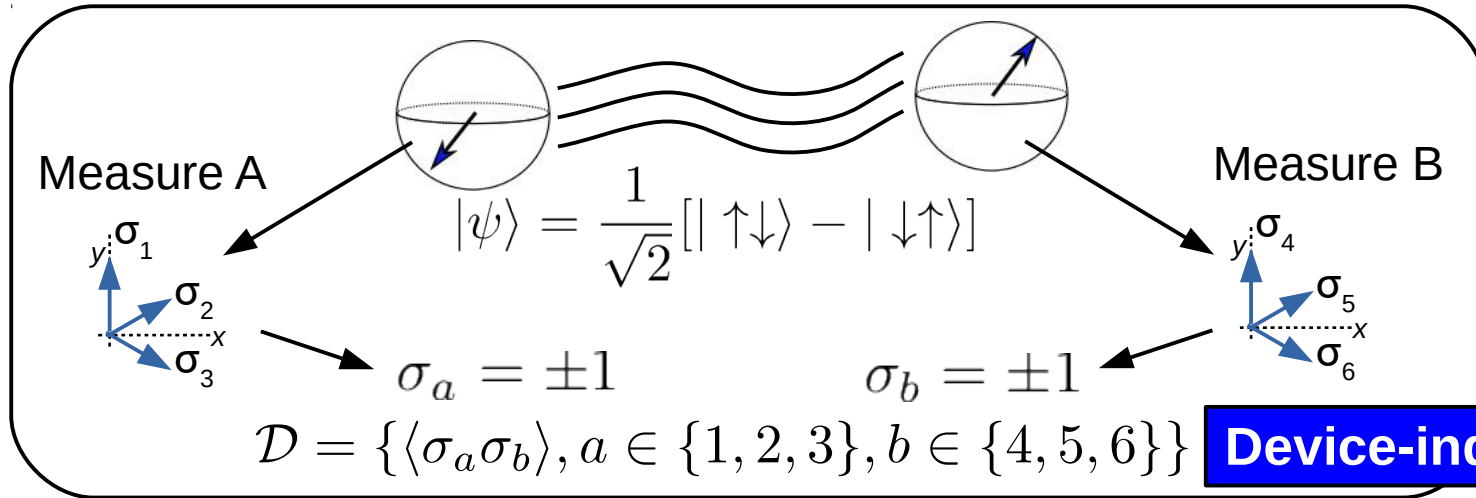
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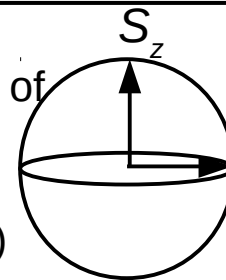
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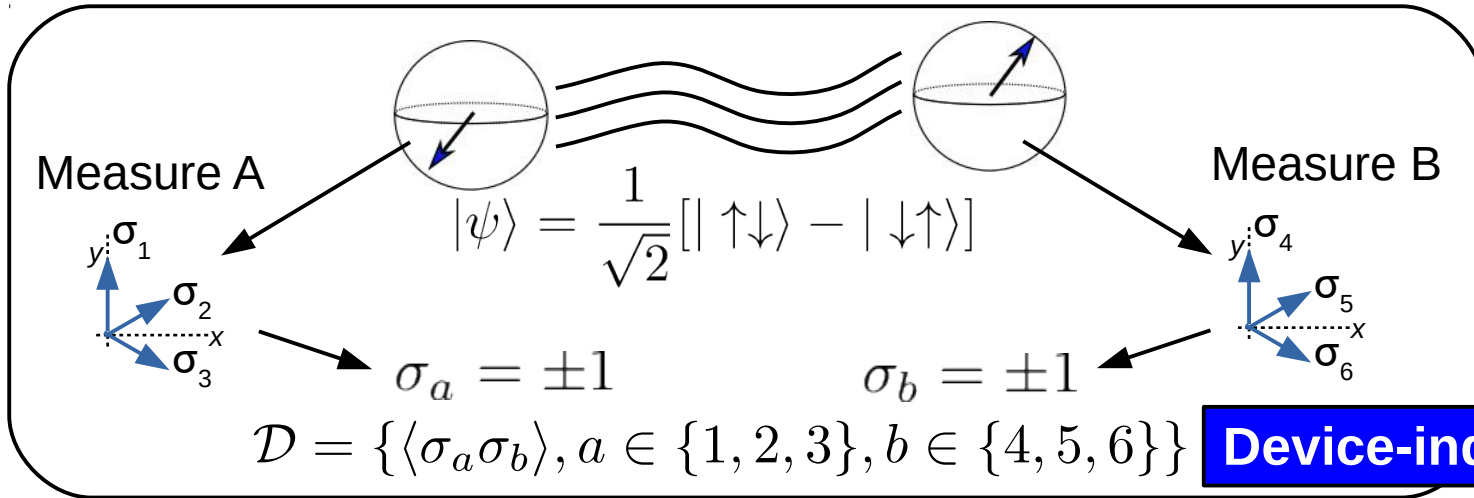
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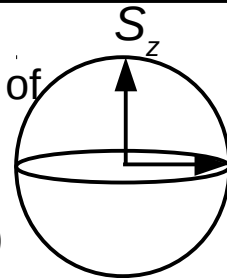
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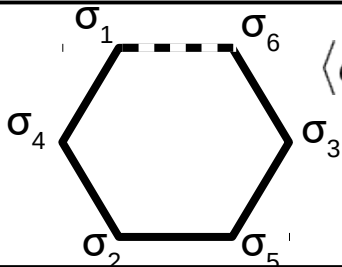
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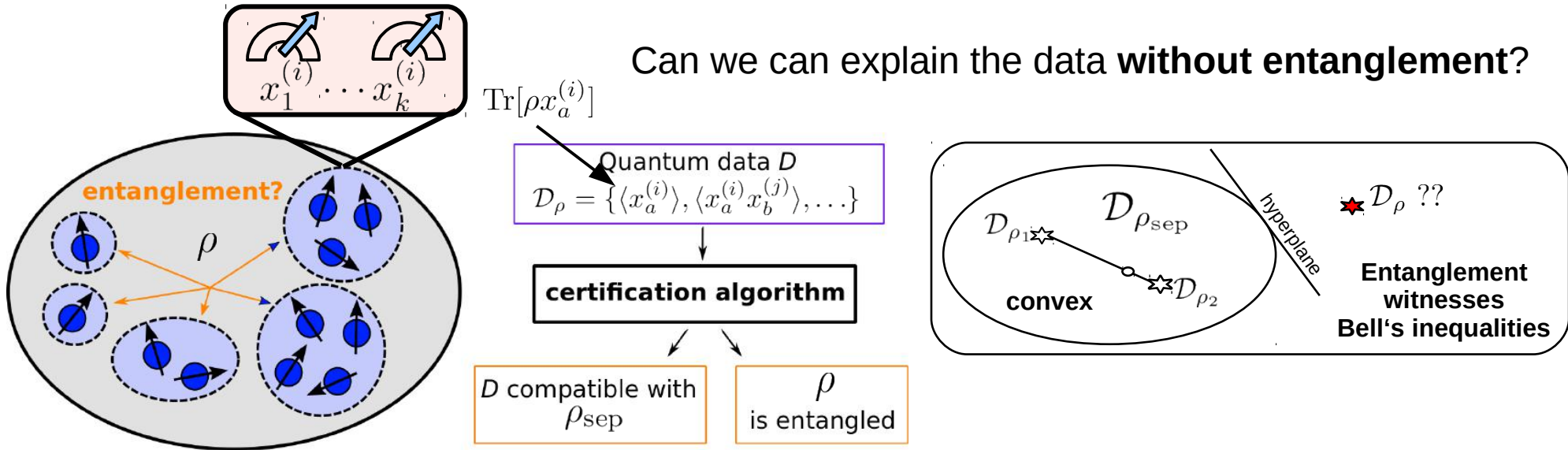
But: angles $\pi/3$, spin singlet: $= -9/2 < -4$

Bell's inequality

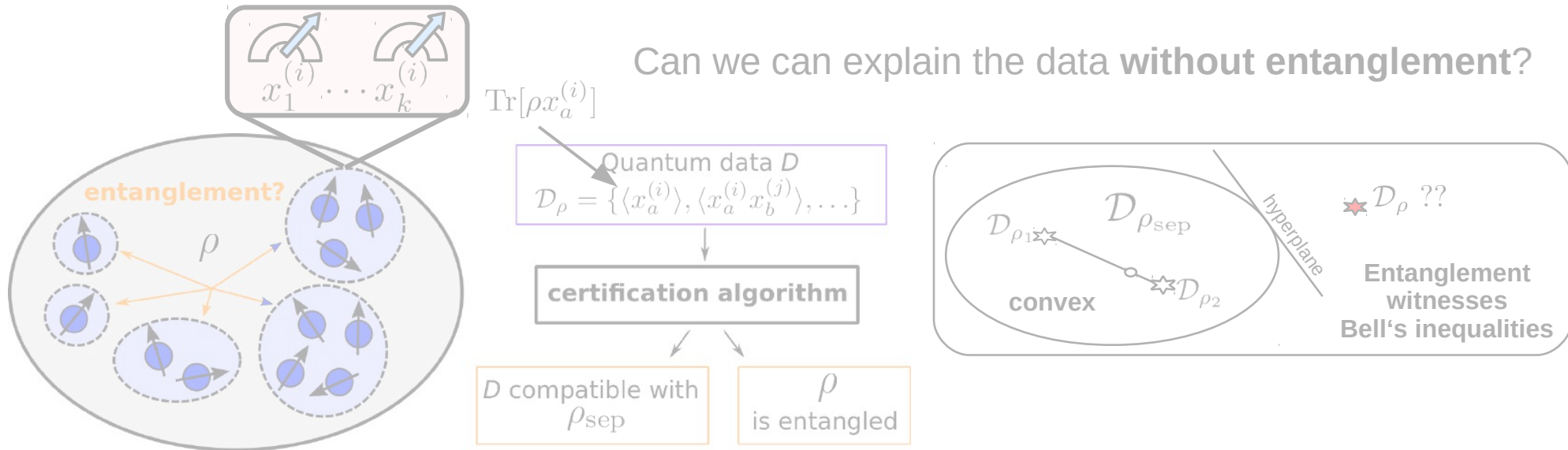
Braustein & Caves
 Annals of Physics 1990

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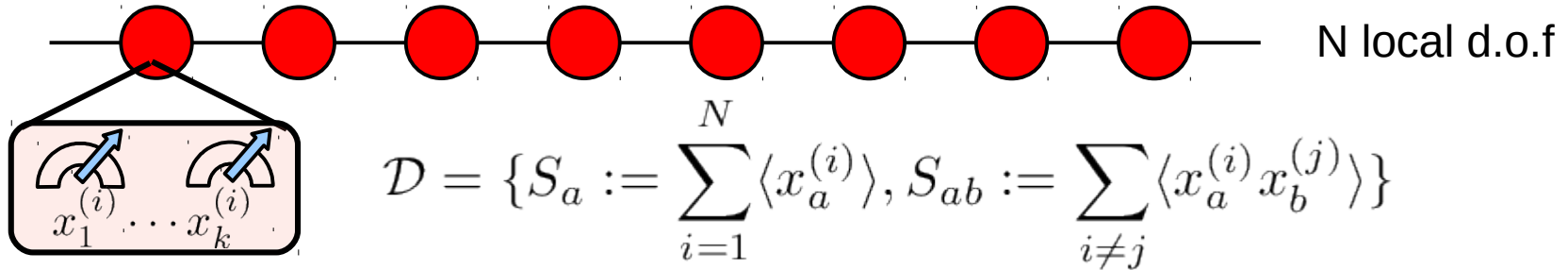
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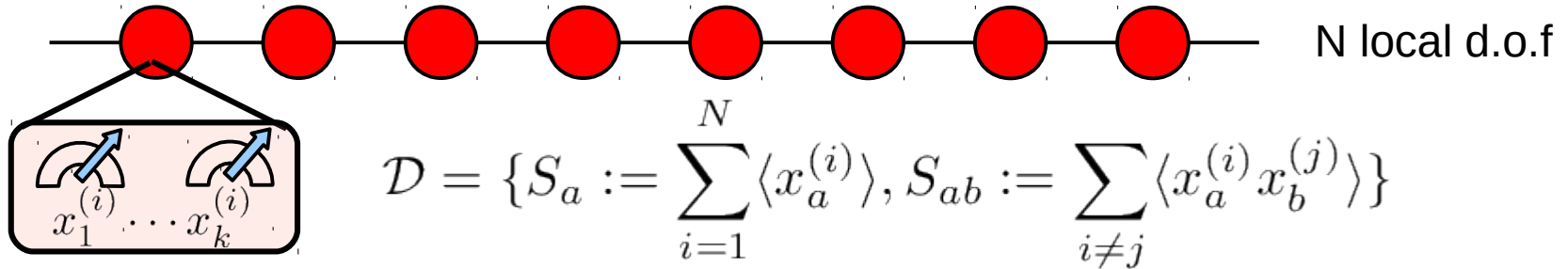
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 - important for effective qubits (superconducting qubits, effective few-level atoms...)
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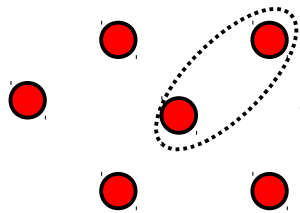
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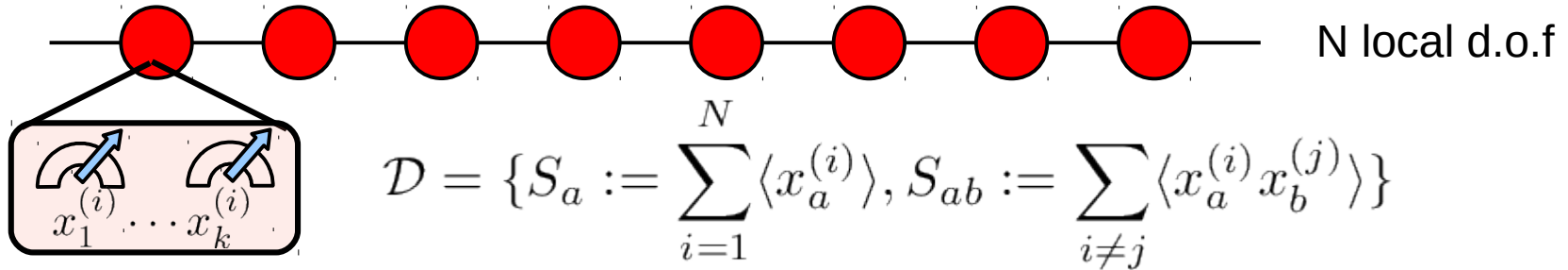
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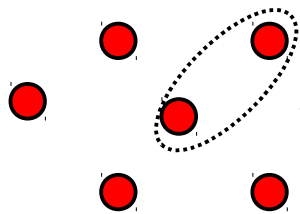
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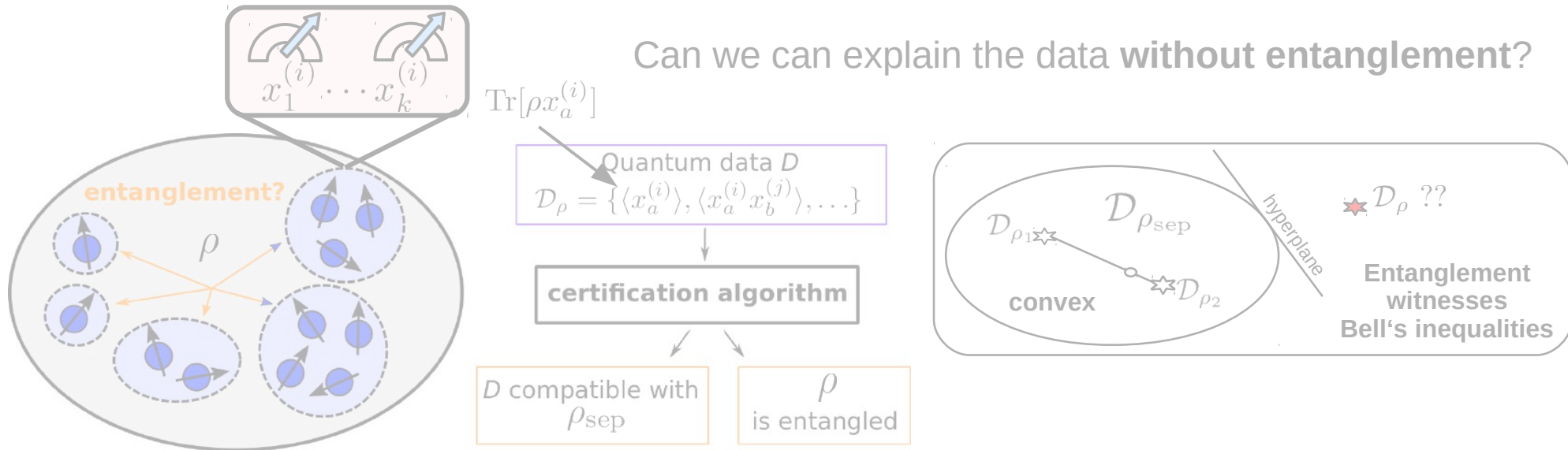
Too many inequalities: need data-driven approaches
Beyond permutation invariance?

**Information in the hand of experimentalists,
but we don't know how to exploit it to certify entanglement**

See also:

- Wang *et al*, PRL 2017 (1d translation invariance + finite-range correl.)
- Baccari *et al*, PRX 2017 (solves a relaxation for Bell's ineq.)

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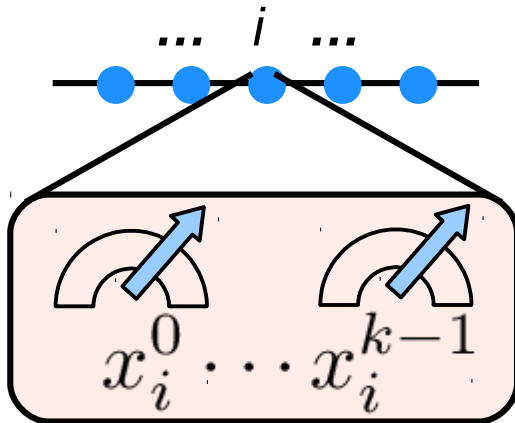
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Bell's **local-variable (LV) model (classical data)**:

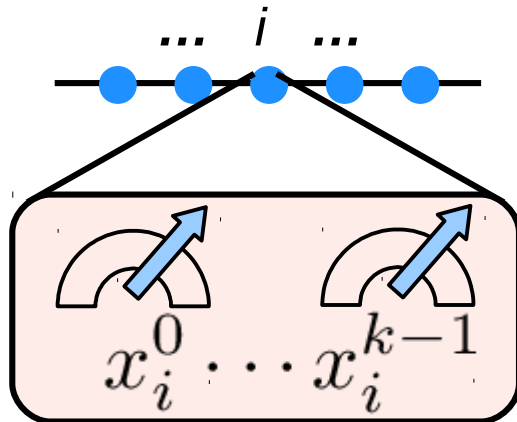
Grand-probability distribution $P_{LV}(\sigma)$ s.t.

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Always exists if the state is *not* entangled

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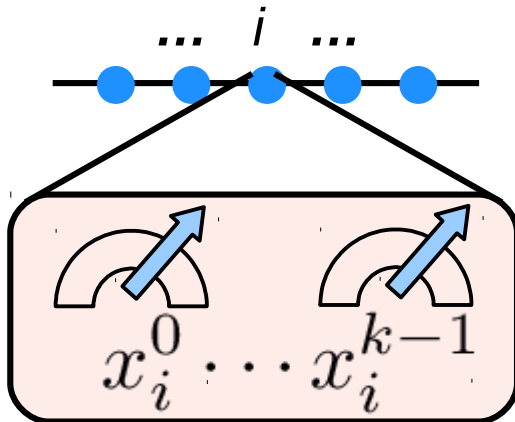
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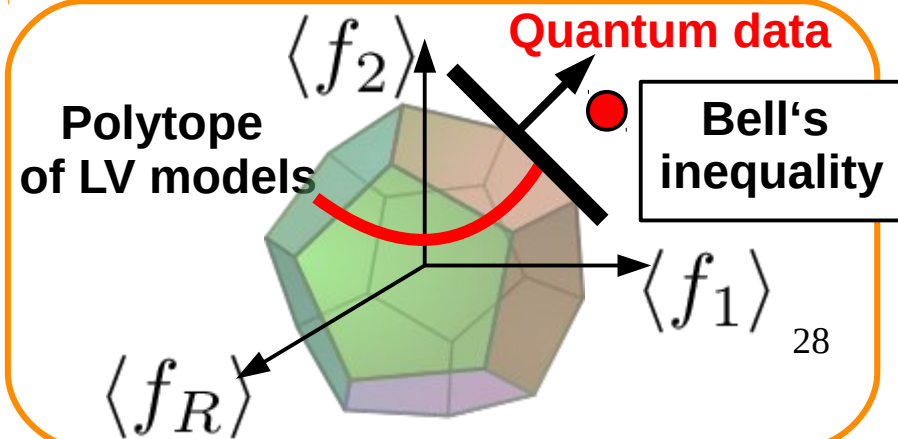
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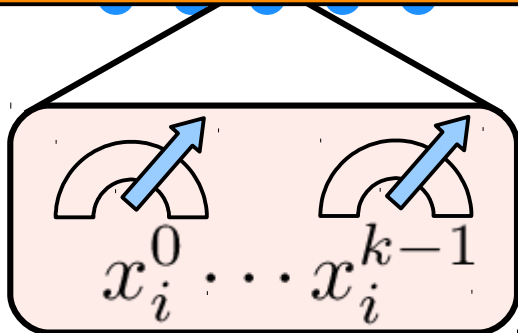
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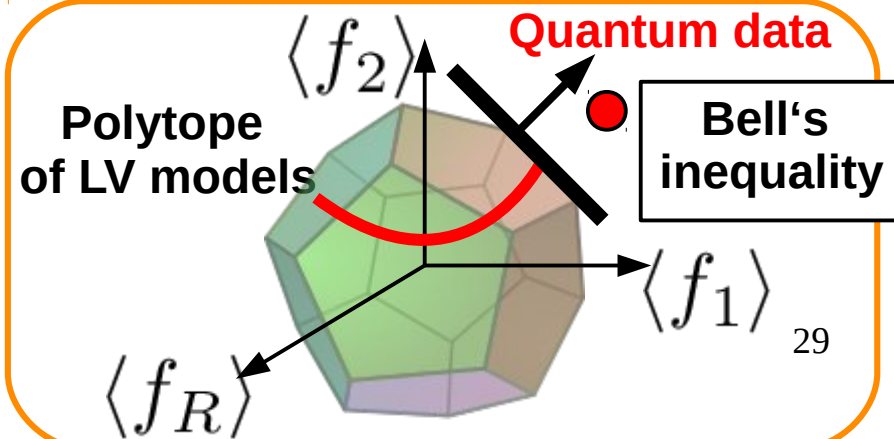
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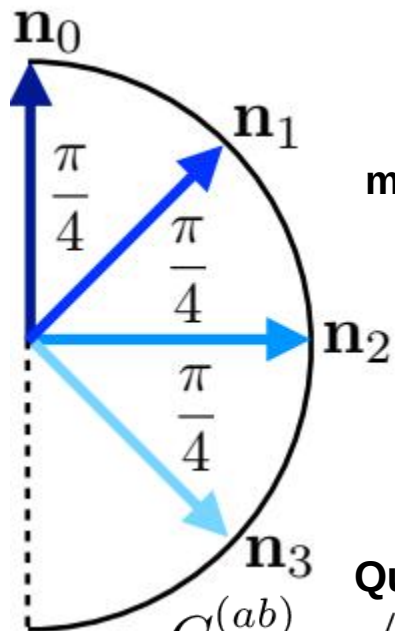
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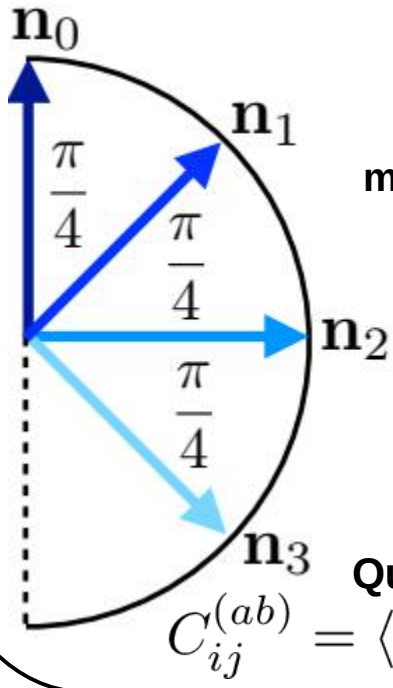
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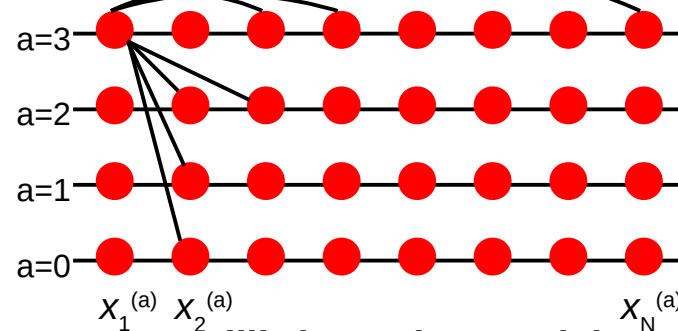


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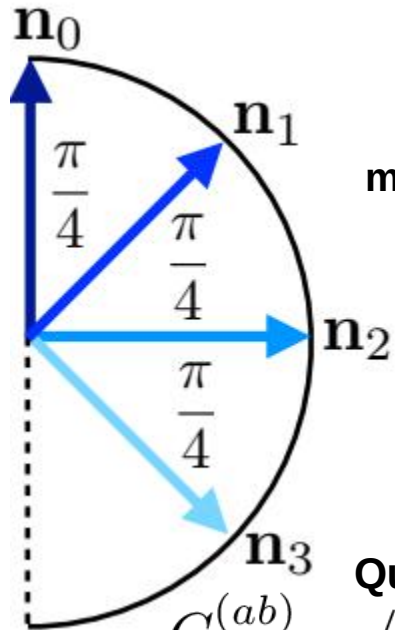
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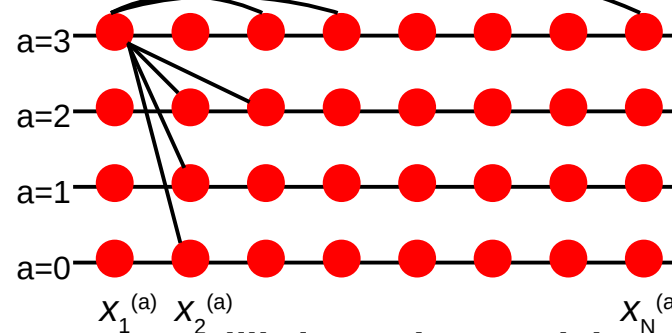


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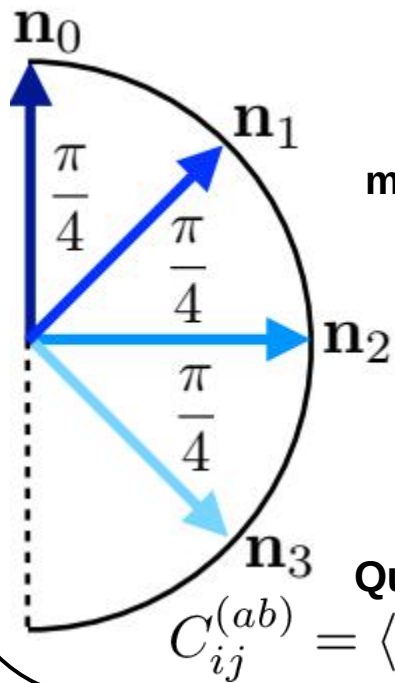
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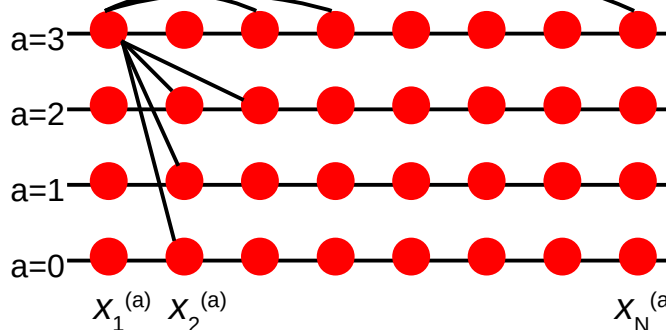
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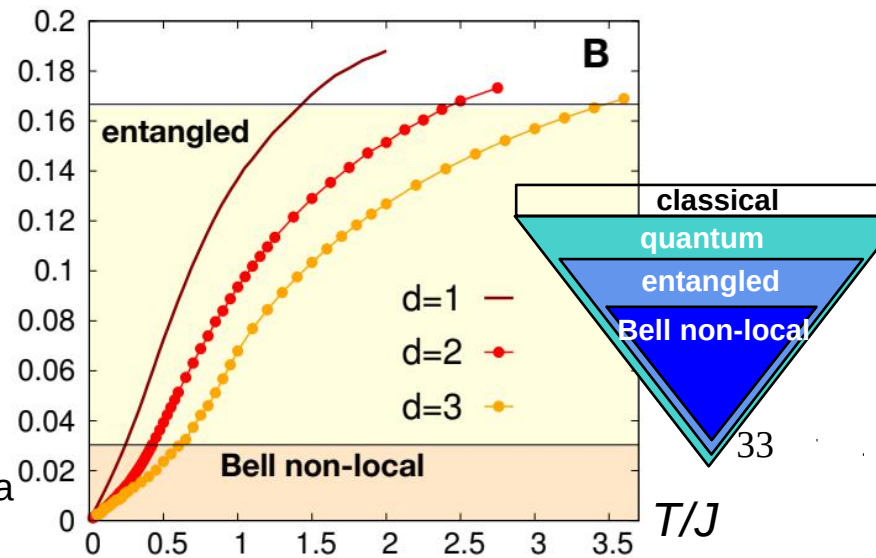
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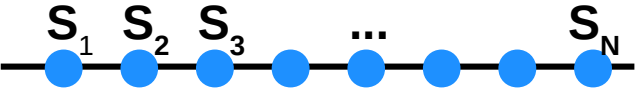
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Similar structure to Schmied et al (Science 2016); emerges from the data
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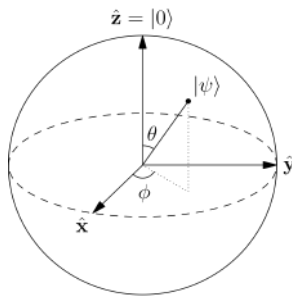


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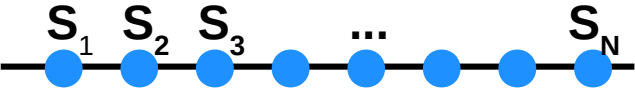


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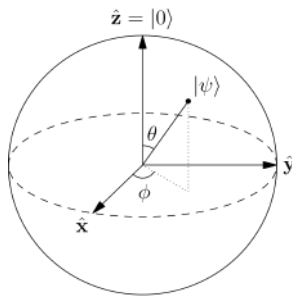


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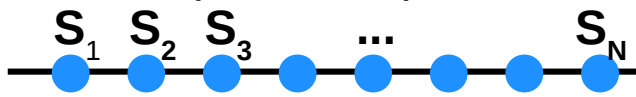
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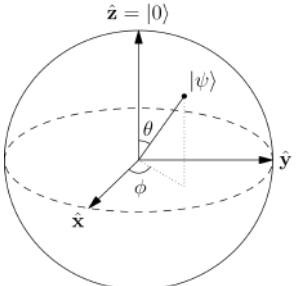


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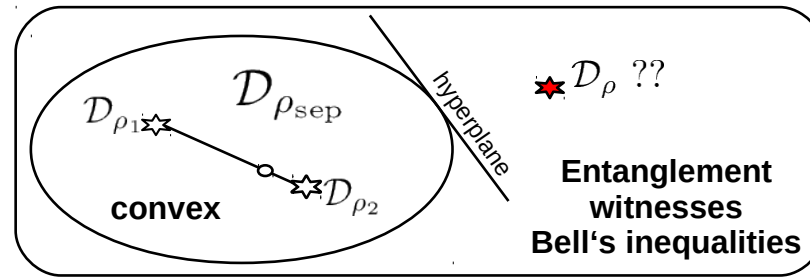
General case: local Hilbert space dim = d:
 - 2d - 2 classical variables
 - d² - 1 measurements (e.g. generators of SU(d))

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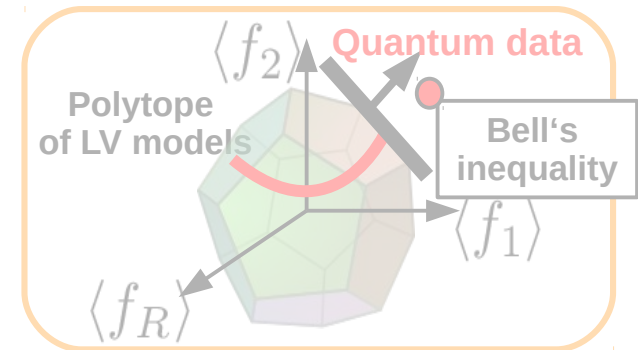
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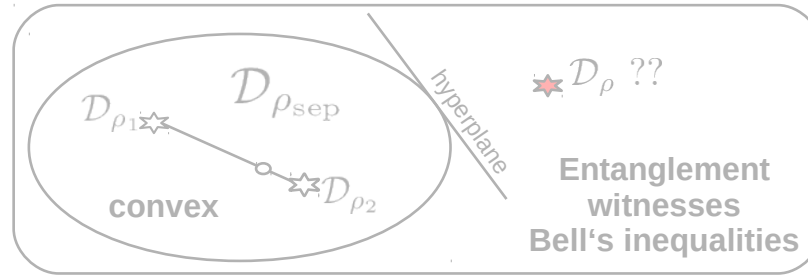
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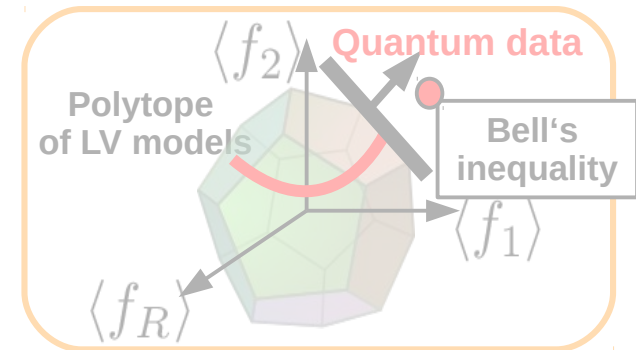
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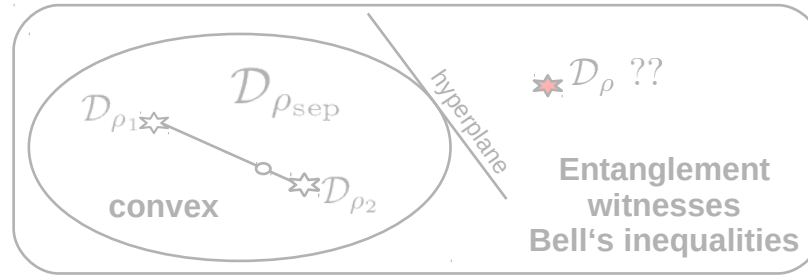
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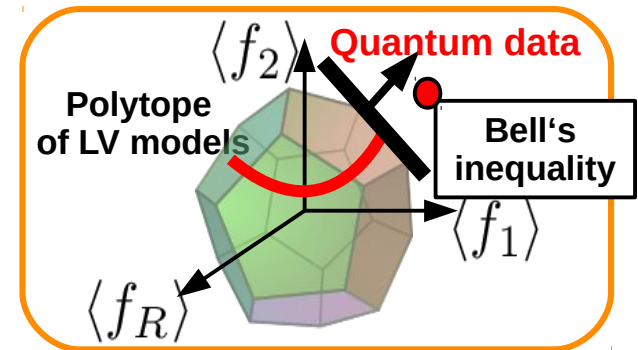
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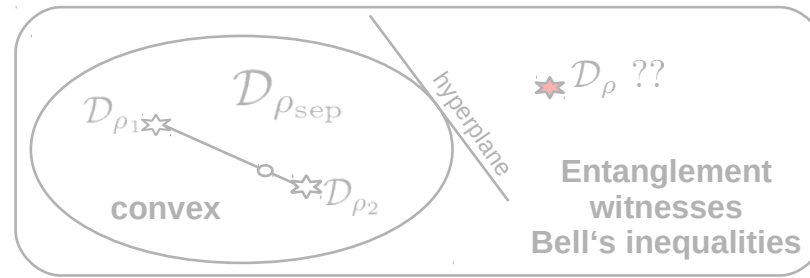
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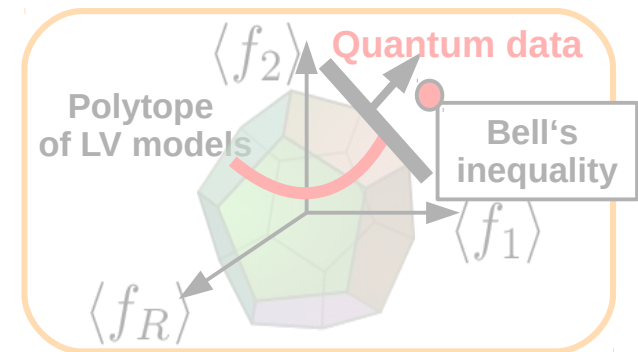
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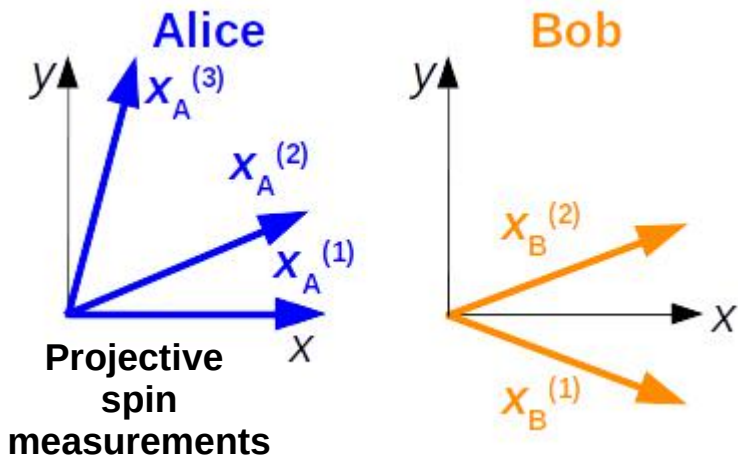
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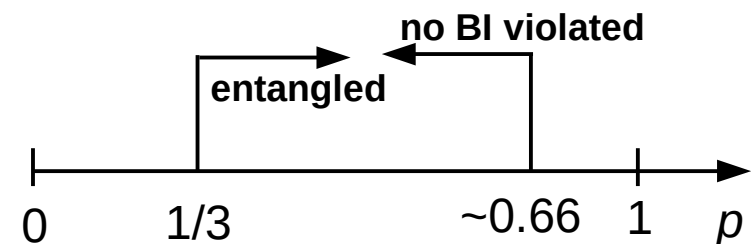
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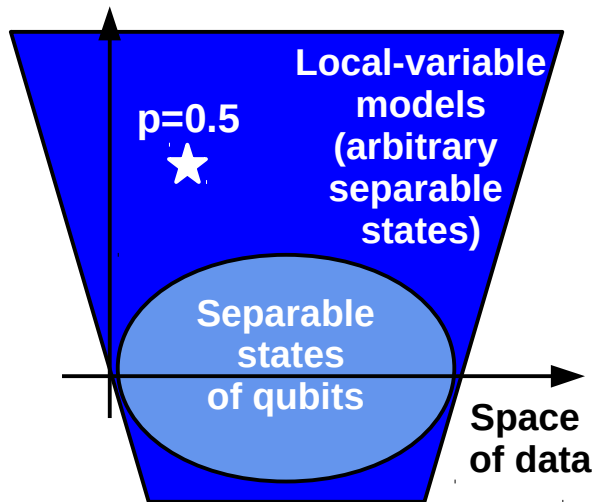
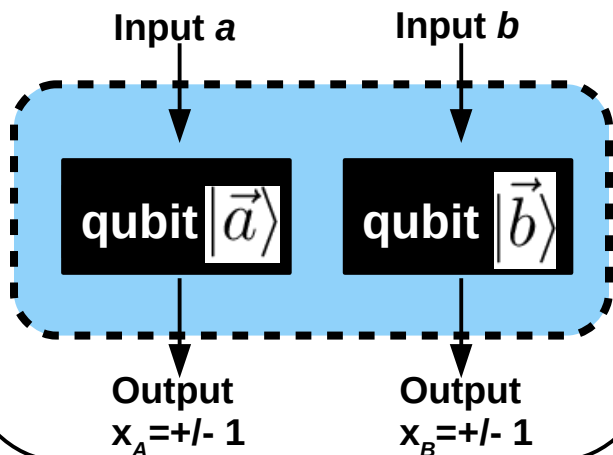
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$$\rho_{\text{ent.}} \neq \sum_{\lambda} P(\lambda) \rho_A(\lambda) \otimes \rho_B(\lambda)$$



Werner, PRA 1989
Acín et al, PRA 2006

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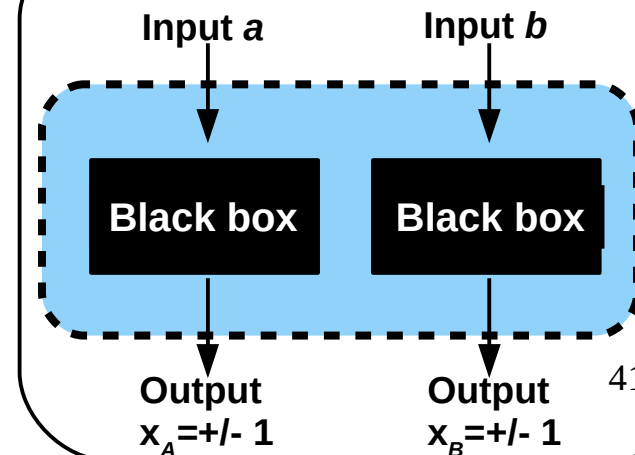
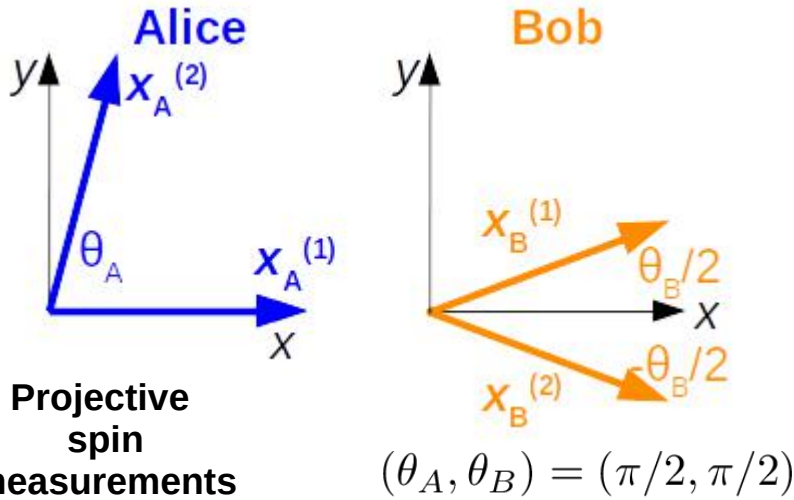


Illustration: the Bell pair

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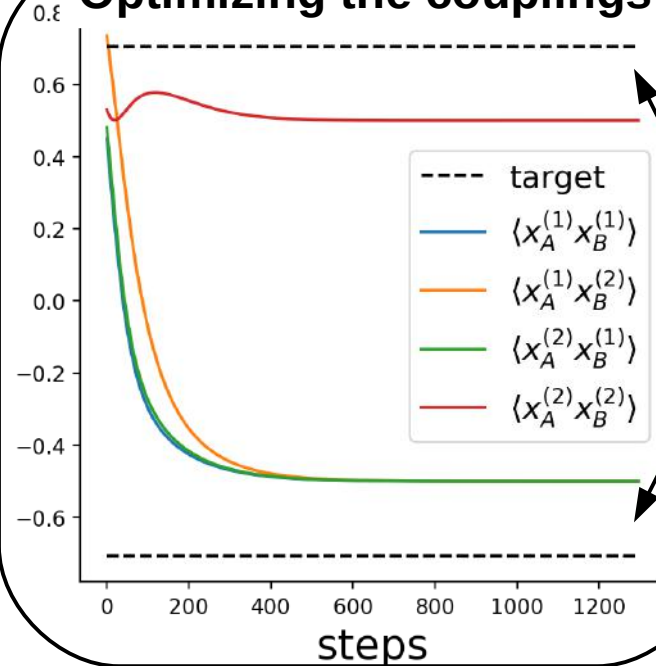
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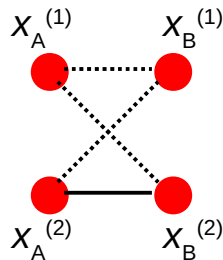


Mismatch: Coeffs of the Bell inequality (here: CHSH, Clauser *et al.* PRL 1969)

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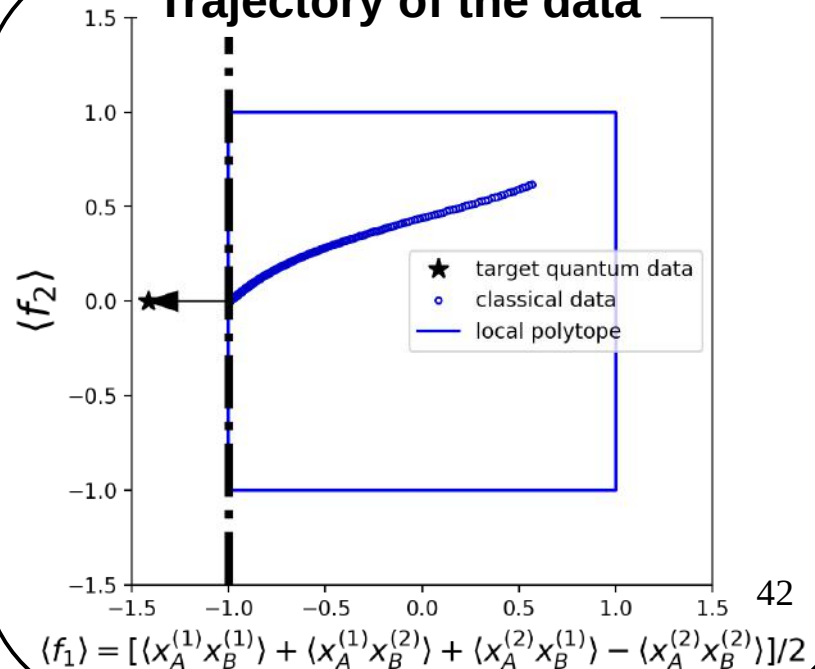
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Ising variables (+/- 1)

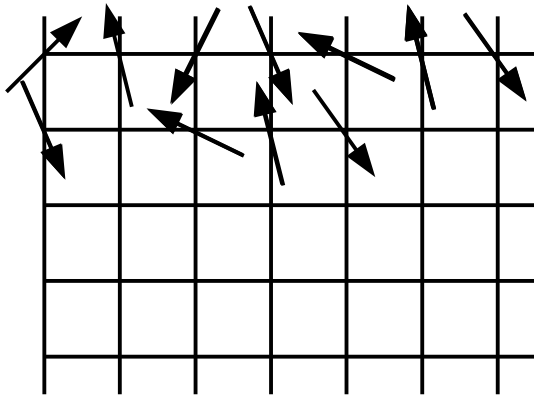


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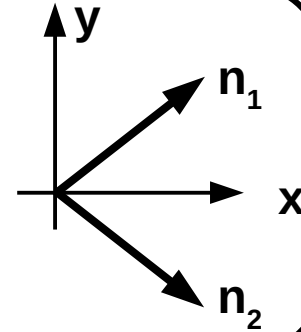
2d quantum Ising model at the quantum-critical point



LxL square lattice

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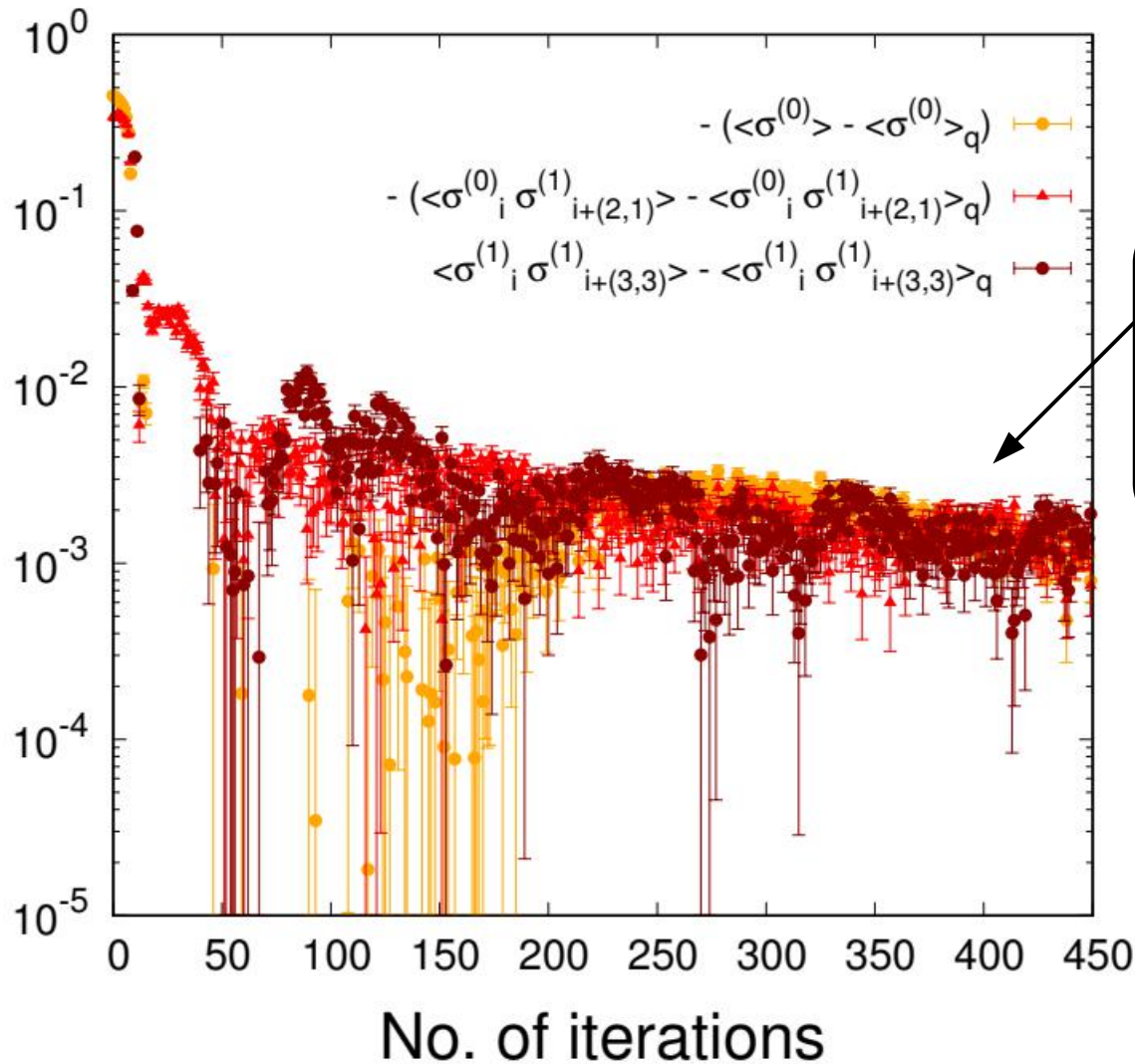
Each quantum spin
2 measurement directions
 $\mathbf{n}_1 - \mathbf{n}_2$ along \mathbf{y}



Collect: $\vec{x} = (\langle \sigma_i^{\mathbf{n}^a} \rangle, \langle \sigma_i^{\mathbf{n}^a} \sigma_j^{\mathbf{n}^b} \rangle; i \neq j; a, b \in \{0, 1\})$

Educated guess: those data violate the Bell inequality derived in Tura *et al* (Science 2014) and Schmied *et al* (Science 2016), as a consequence of spin squeezing at the QCP (IF & Roscilde, PRL 2018; Piga, Aloy, Lewenstein & IF, PRL 2019).

Recovering Tura *et al*'s permutationally invariant Bell inequality



All differences converge to the same value!
(Despite the fact that individual averages are very different)

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{Tura}} = - \sum_i \left(\sigma_i^{(0)} + \sigma_i^{(1)} \right) + \sum_{i < j} \left(\sigma_i^{(0)} \sigma_j^{(0)} + \sigma_i^{(1)} \sigma_j^{(1)} - \sigma_i^{(0)} \sigma_j^{(1)} - \sigma_i^{(1)} \sigma_j^{(0)} \right)$$