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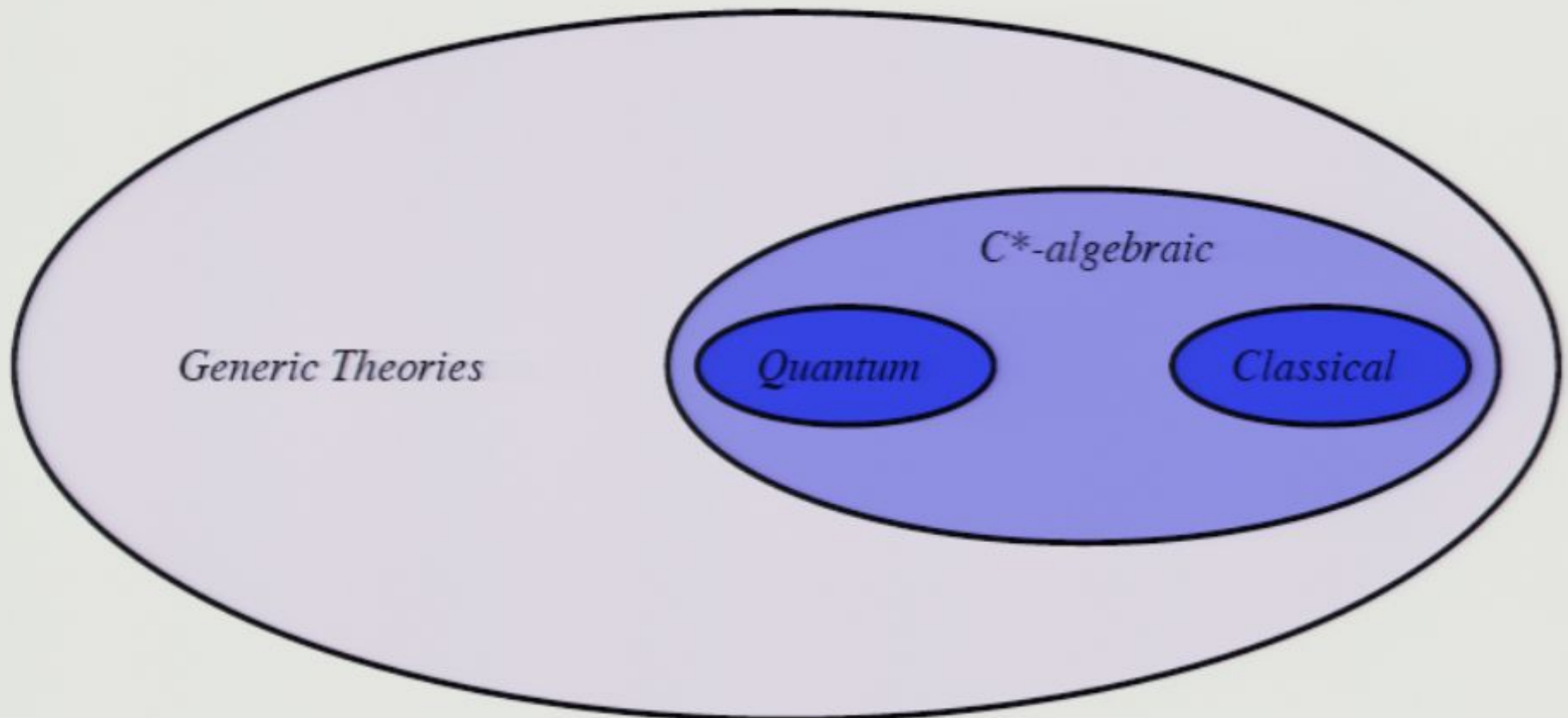
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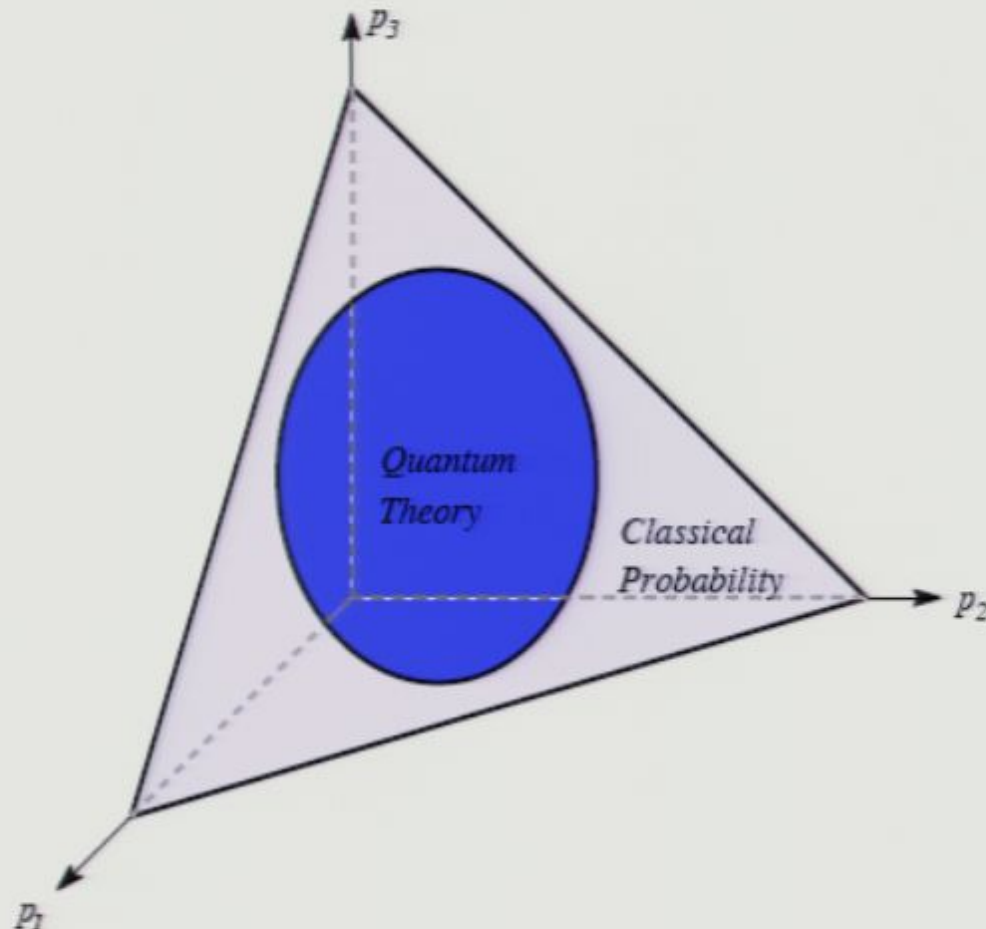
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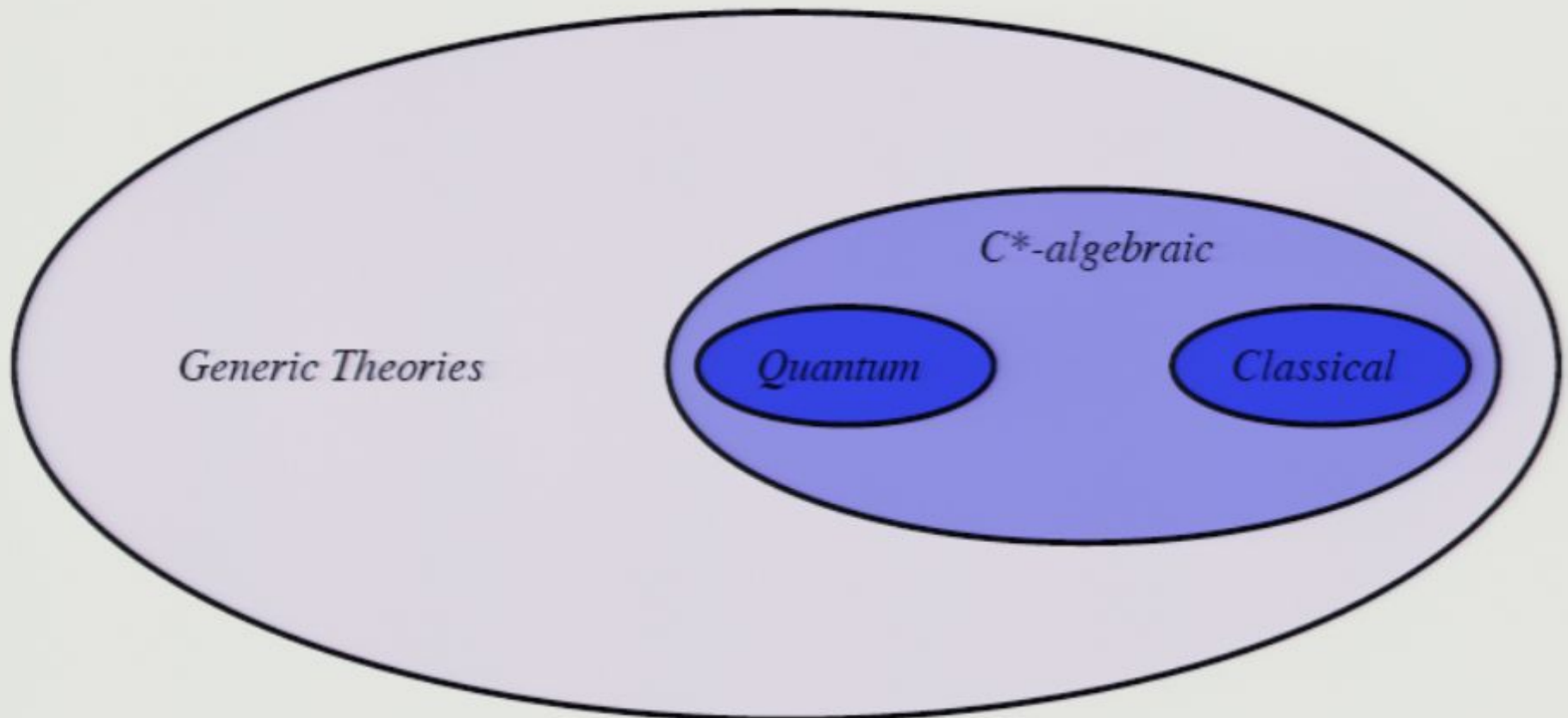
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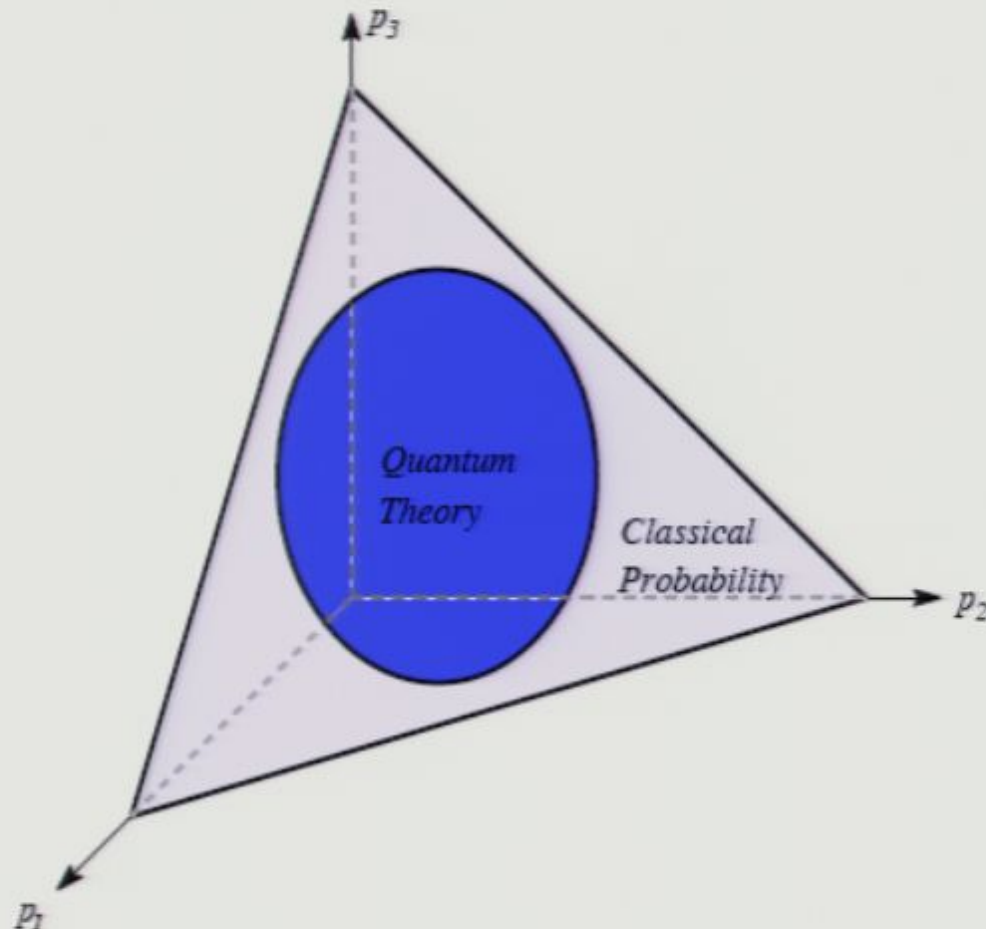
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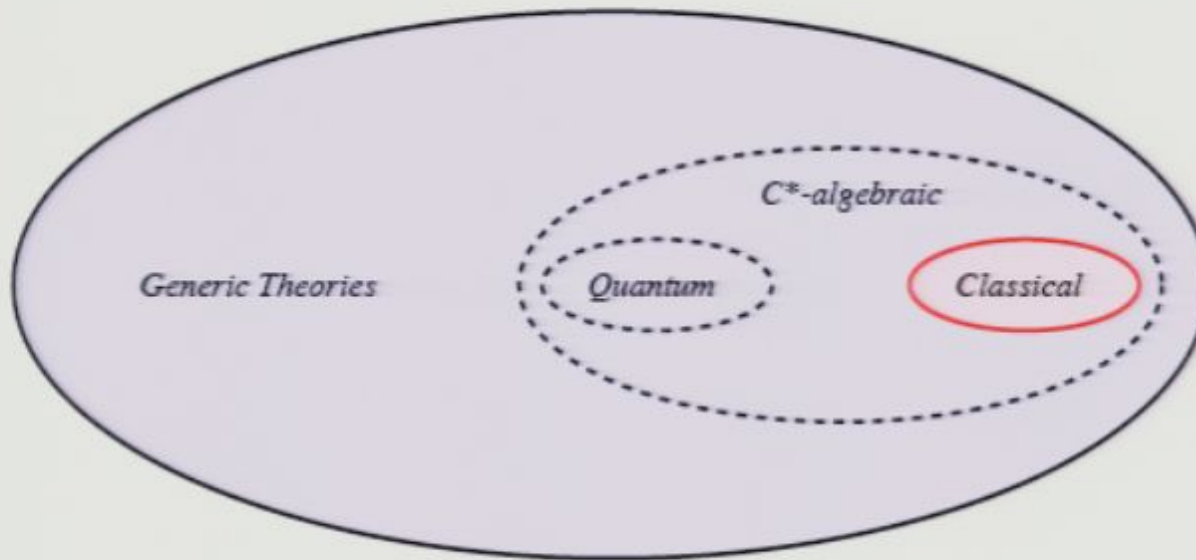
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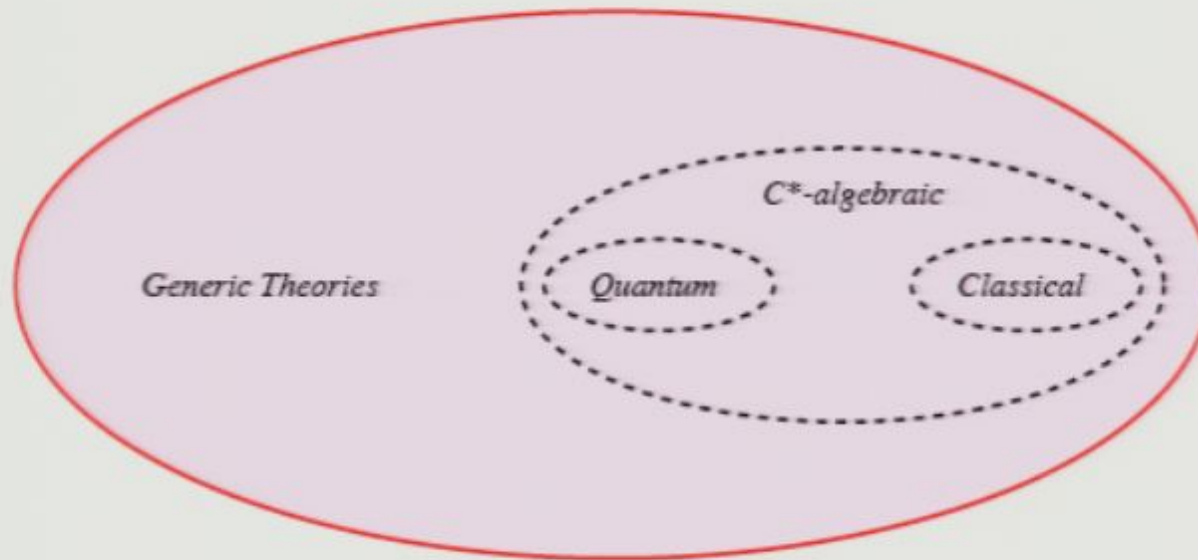


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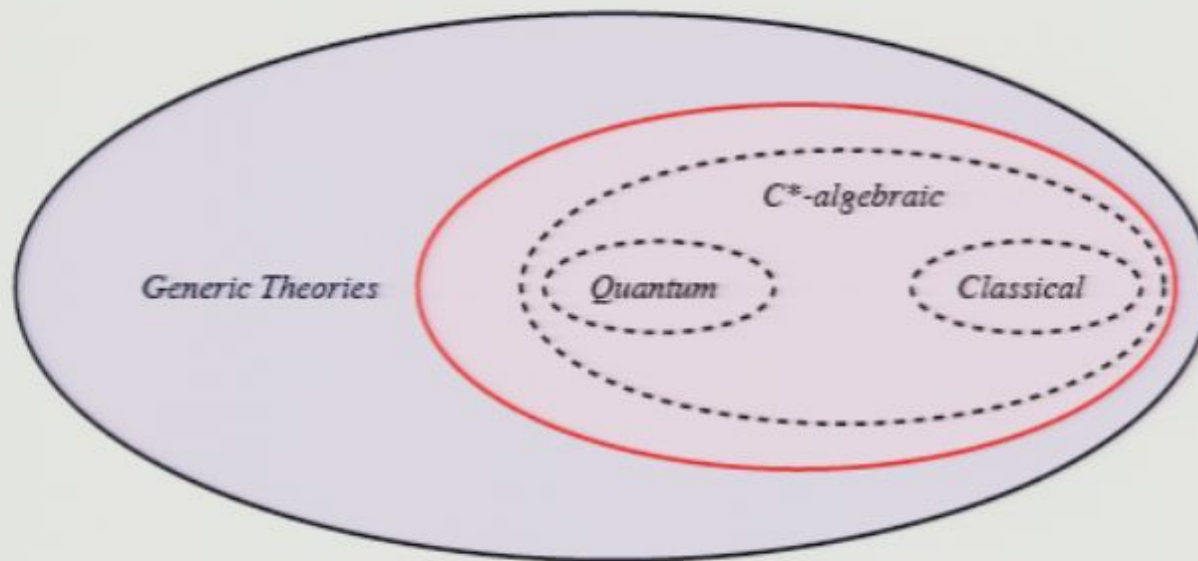
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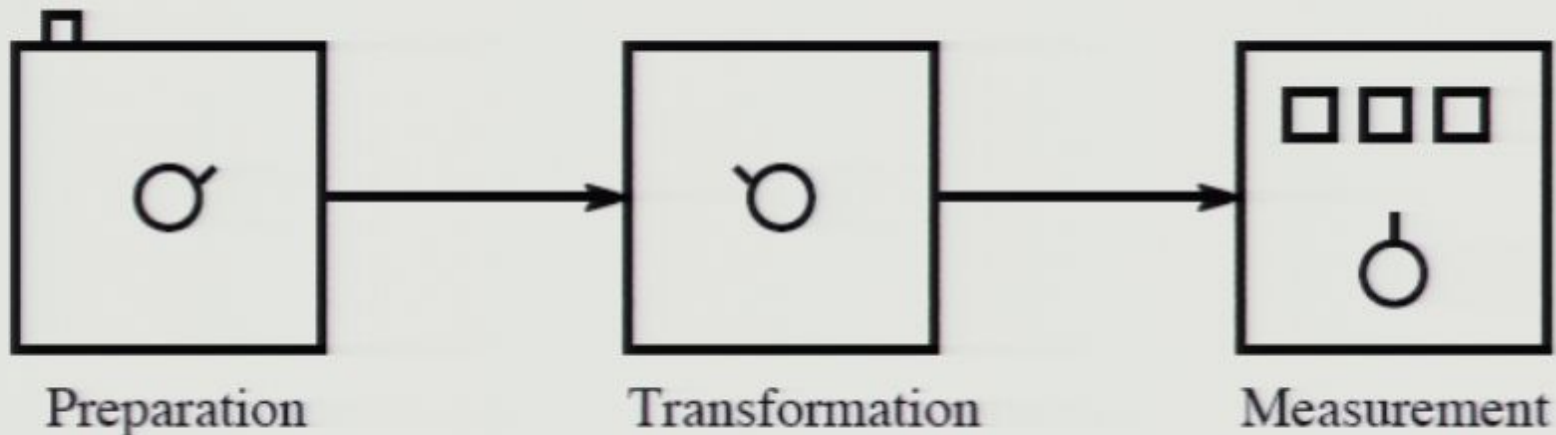
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Review of the Convex Sets Framework

- A traditional operational framework.



- Goal: Predict $\text{Prob}(\text{outcome} | \text{Choice of } P, T \text{ and } M)$

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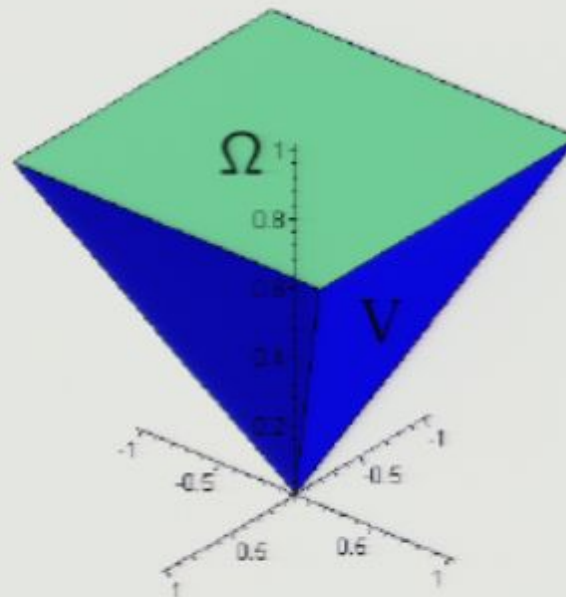
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Examples

- **Classical:** $\Omega = \text{Probability simplex}$, $V = \text{conv}\{\Omega, 0\}$.
- **Quantum:**
 $V = \{\text{Semi- + ve matrices}\}$, $\Omega = \{\text{Density matrices}\}$.
- **Polyhedral:**



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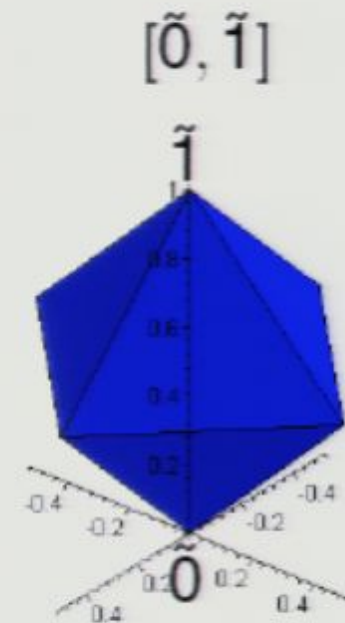
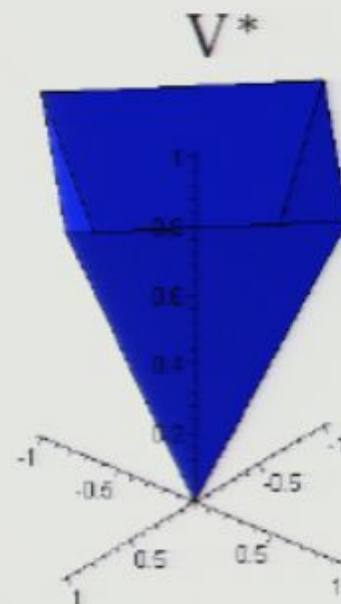
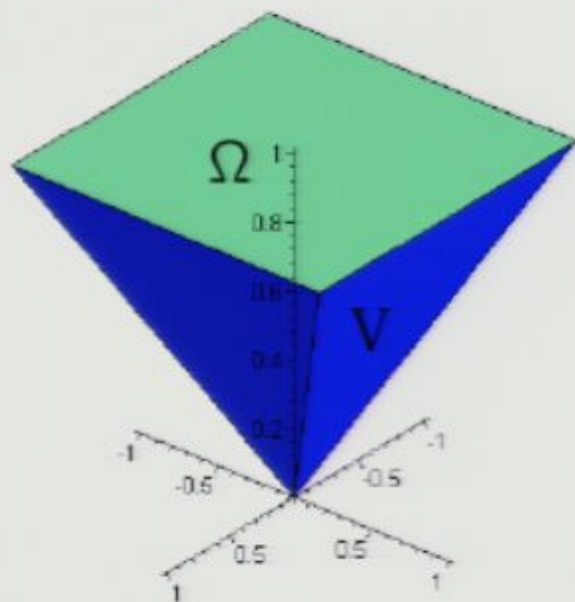
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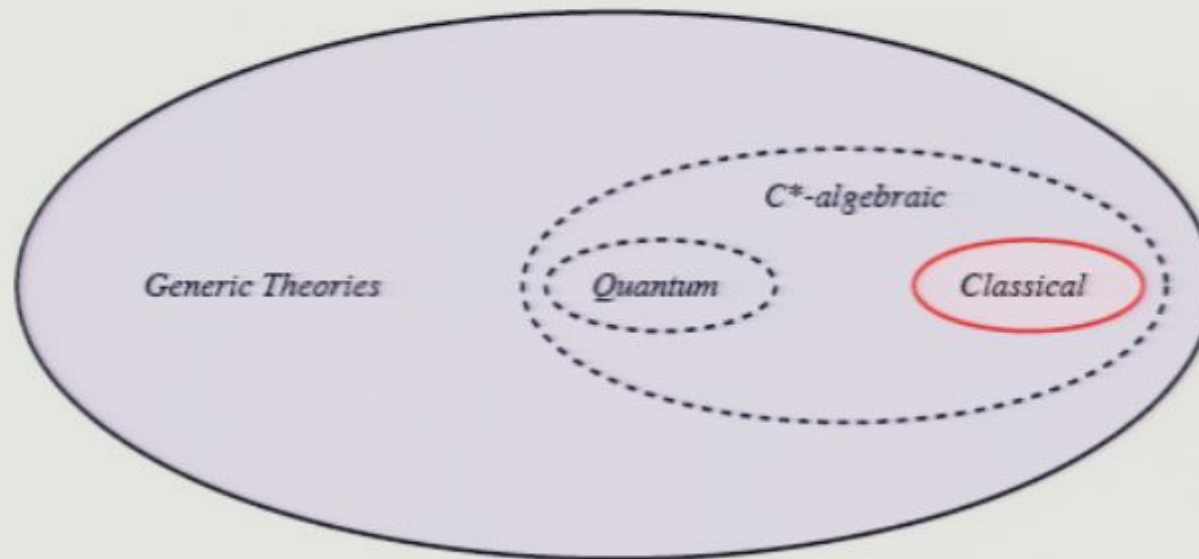
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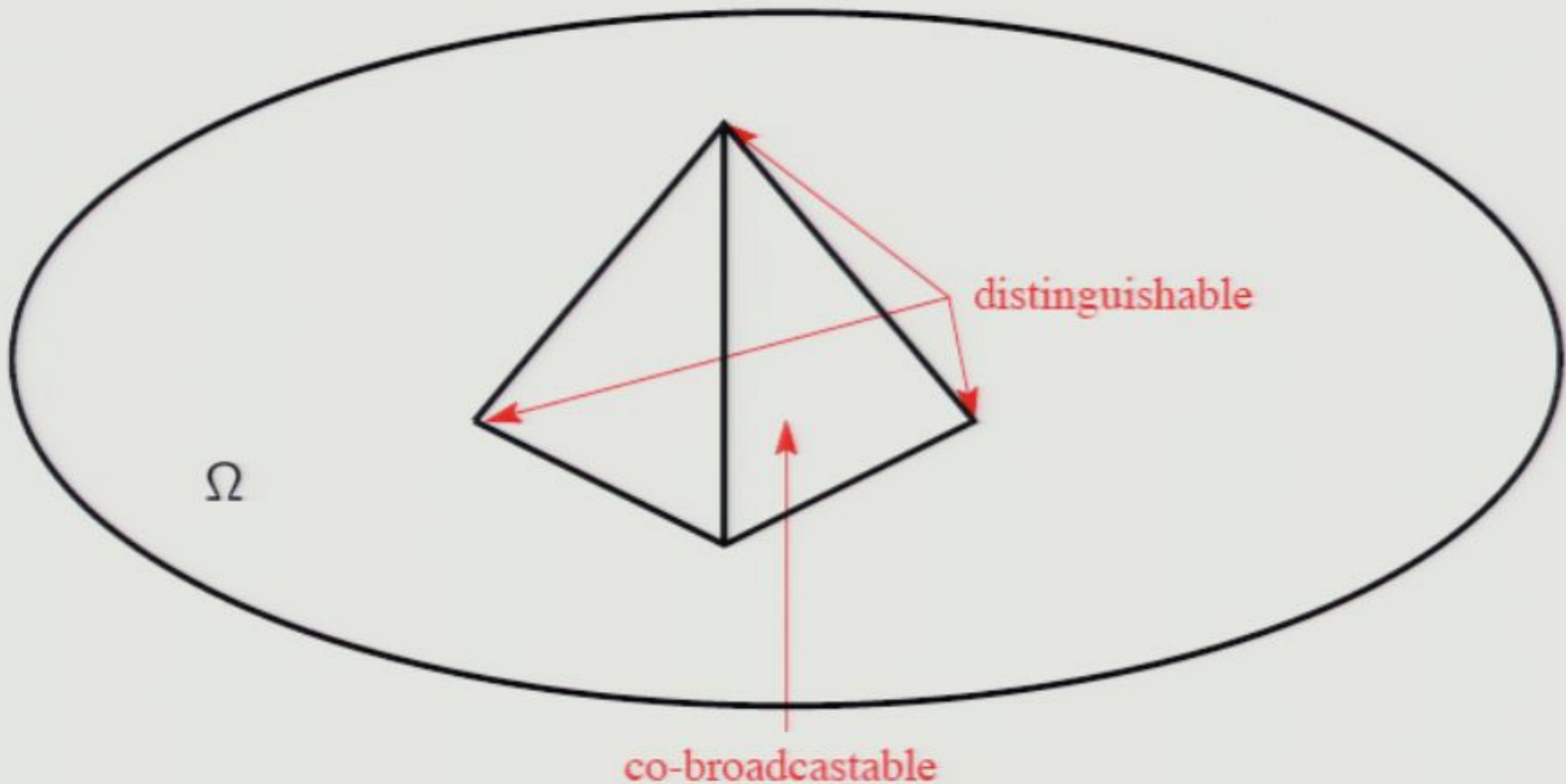
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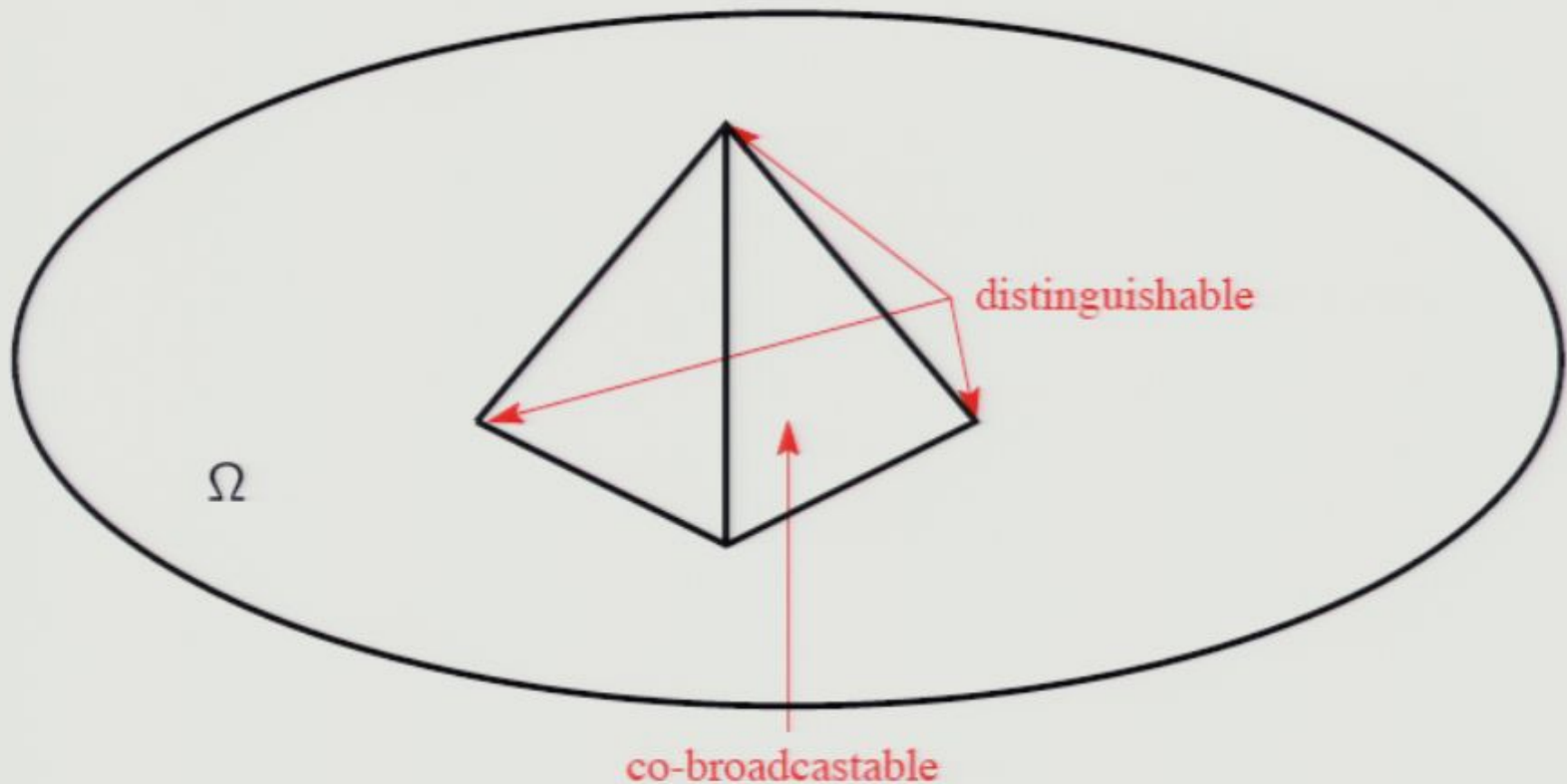
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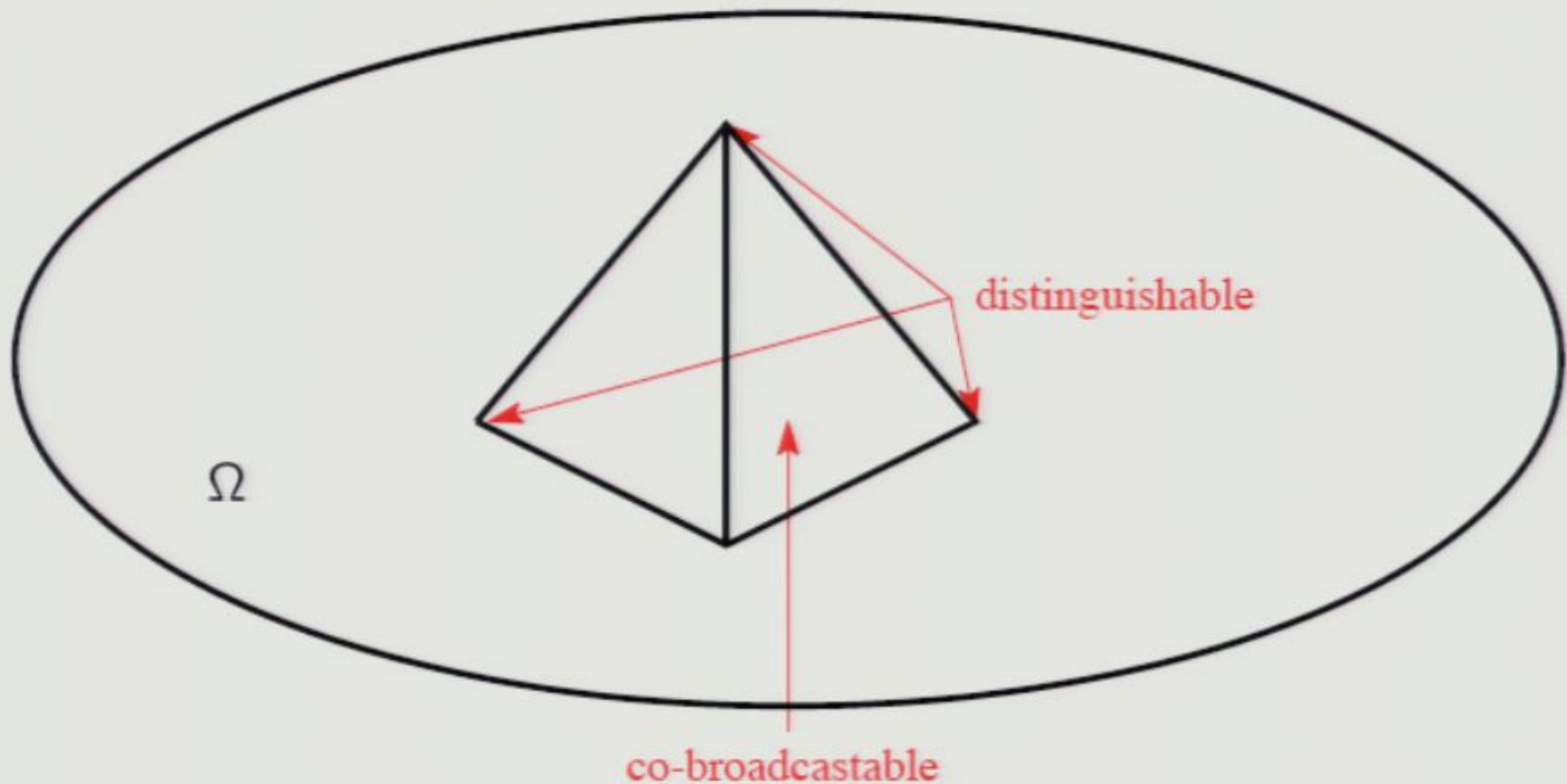
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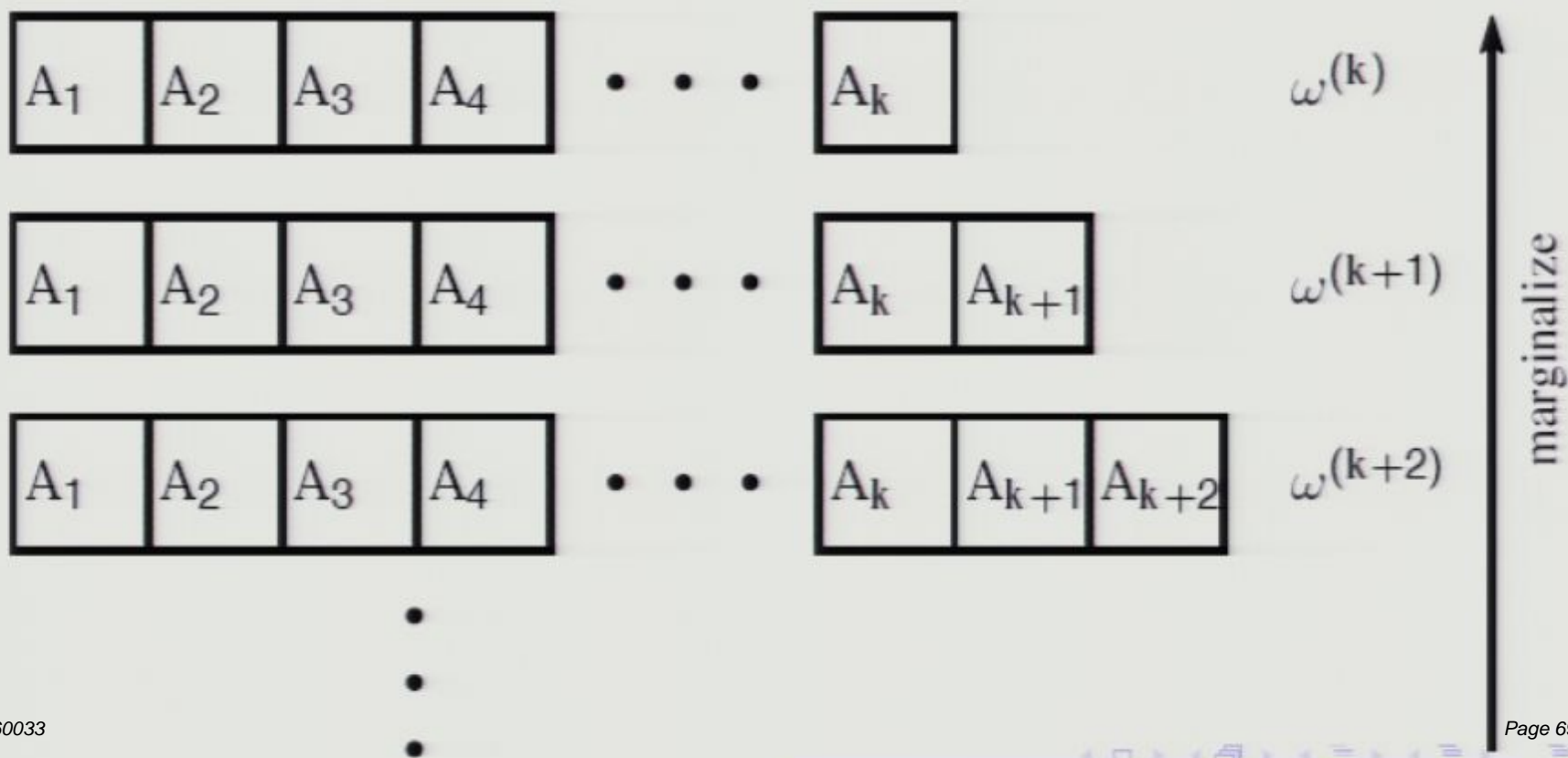
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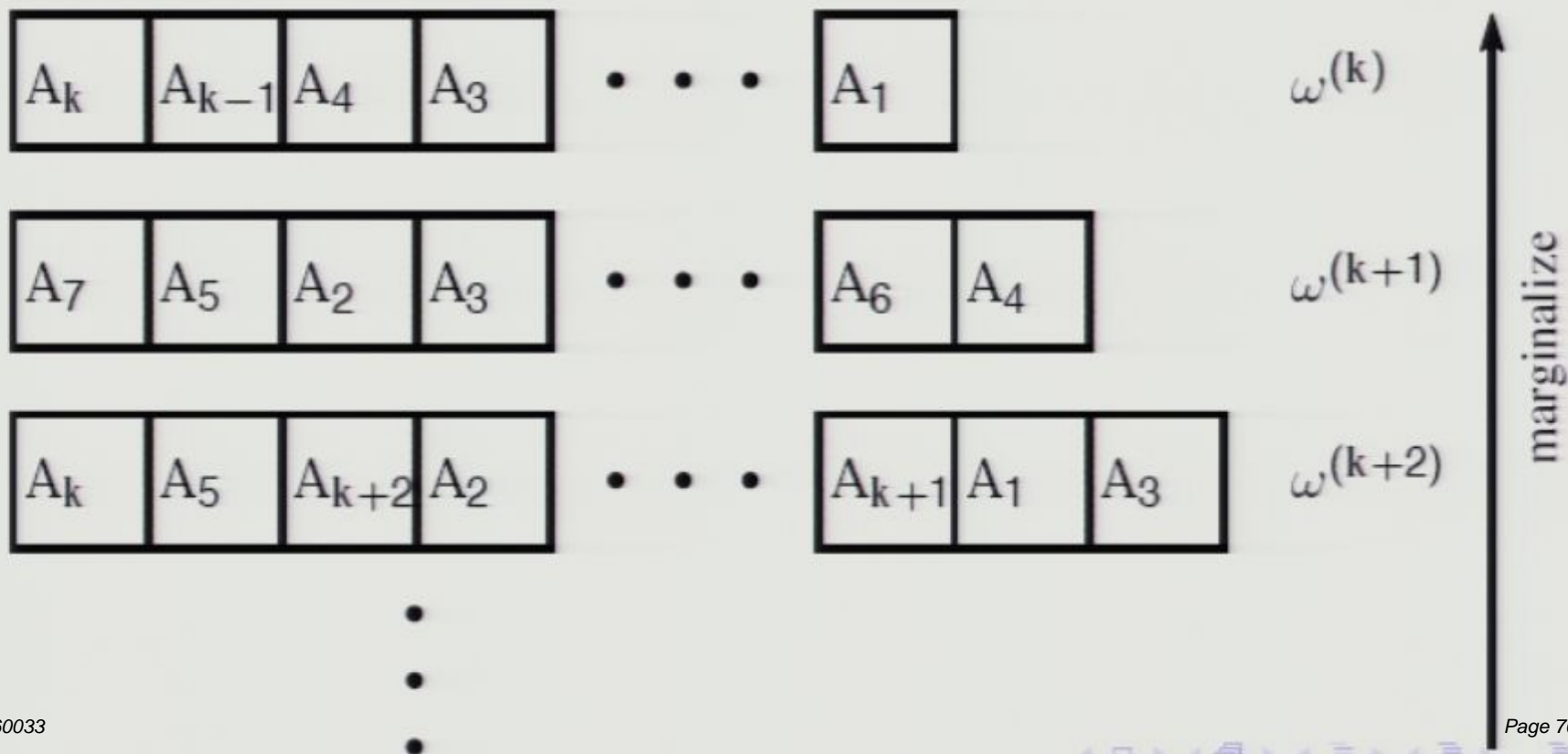
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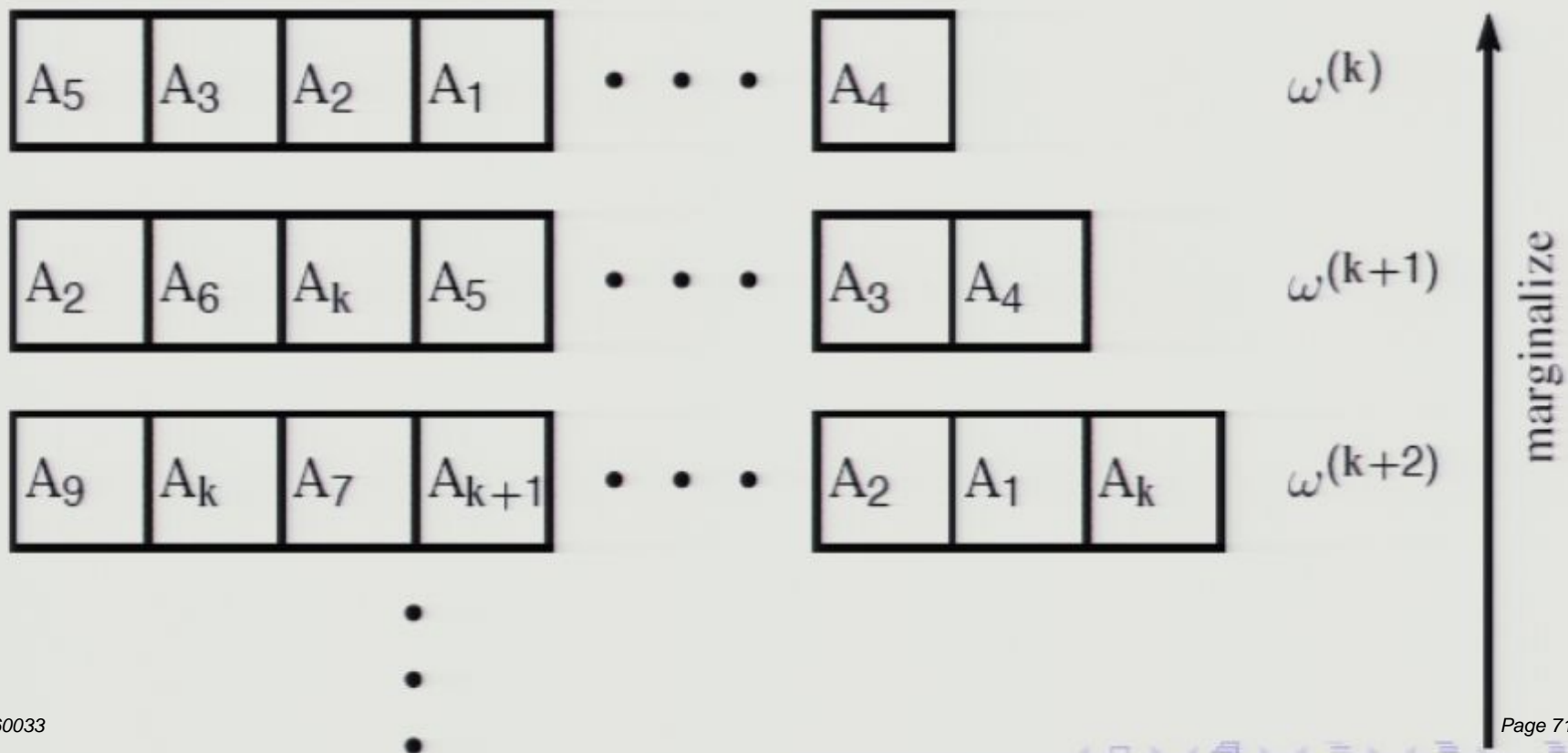
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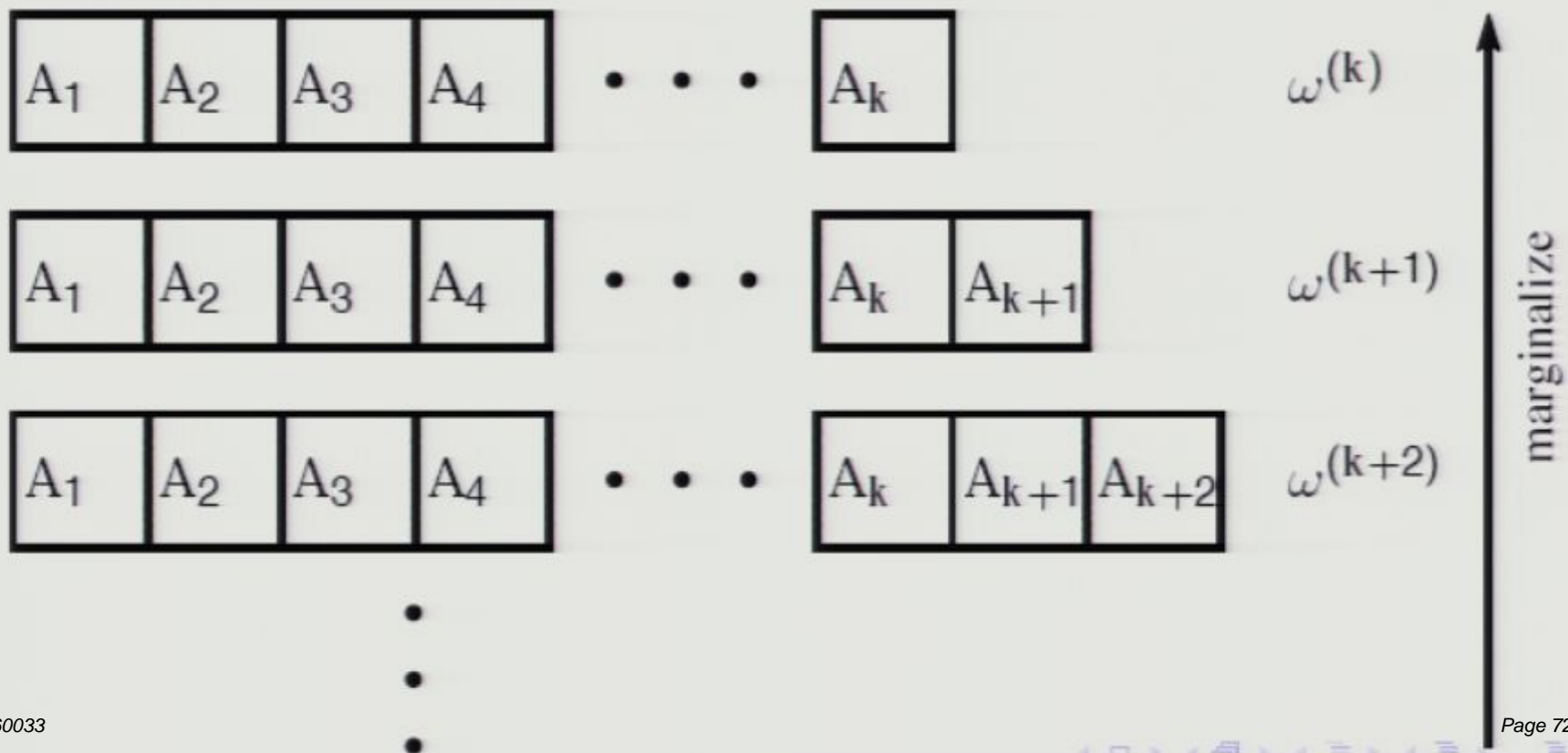
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All exchangeable states can be written as

$$\omega^{(k)} = \int_{\Omega_A} p(\mu) \mu^{\otimes k} d\mu \quad (1)$$

where $p(\mu)$ is a prob. density and the measure $d\mu$ can be any induced by an embedding in \mathbb{R}^n .

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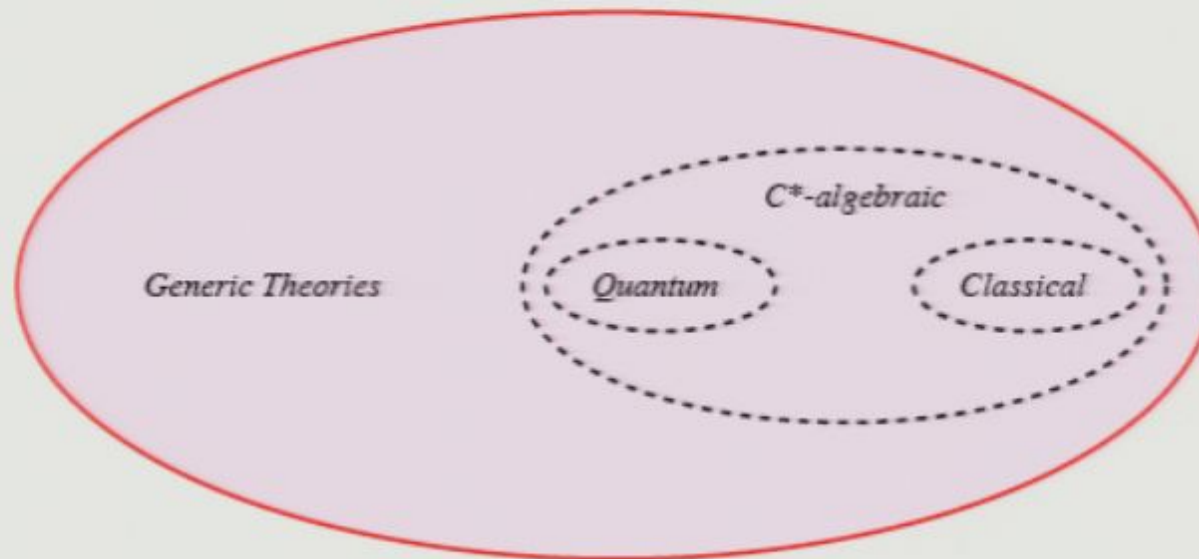
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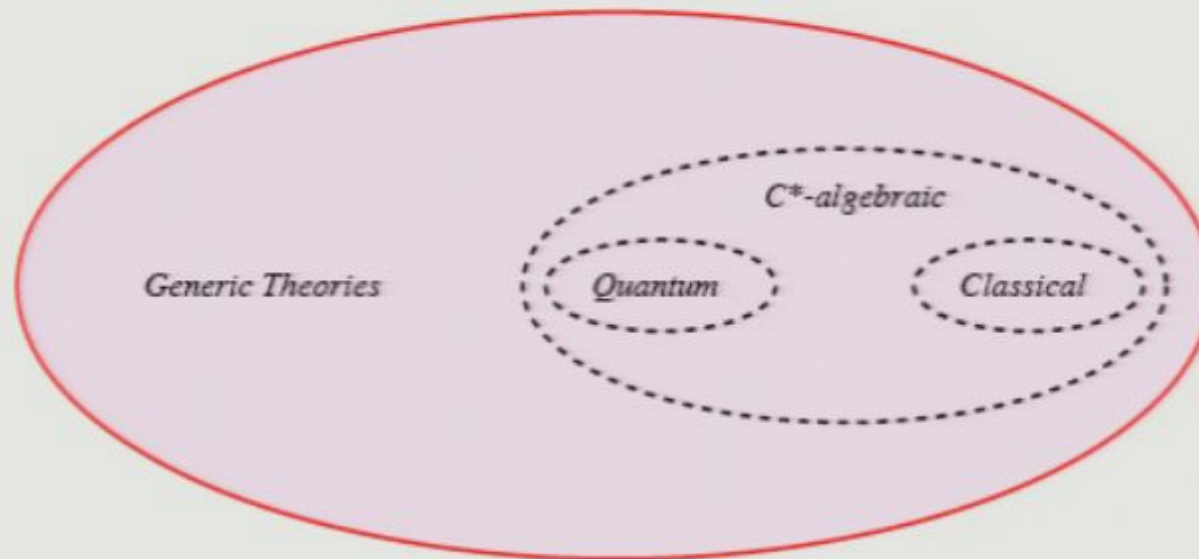
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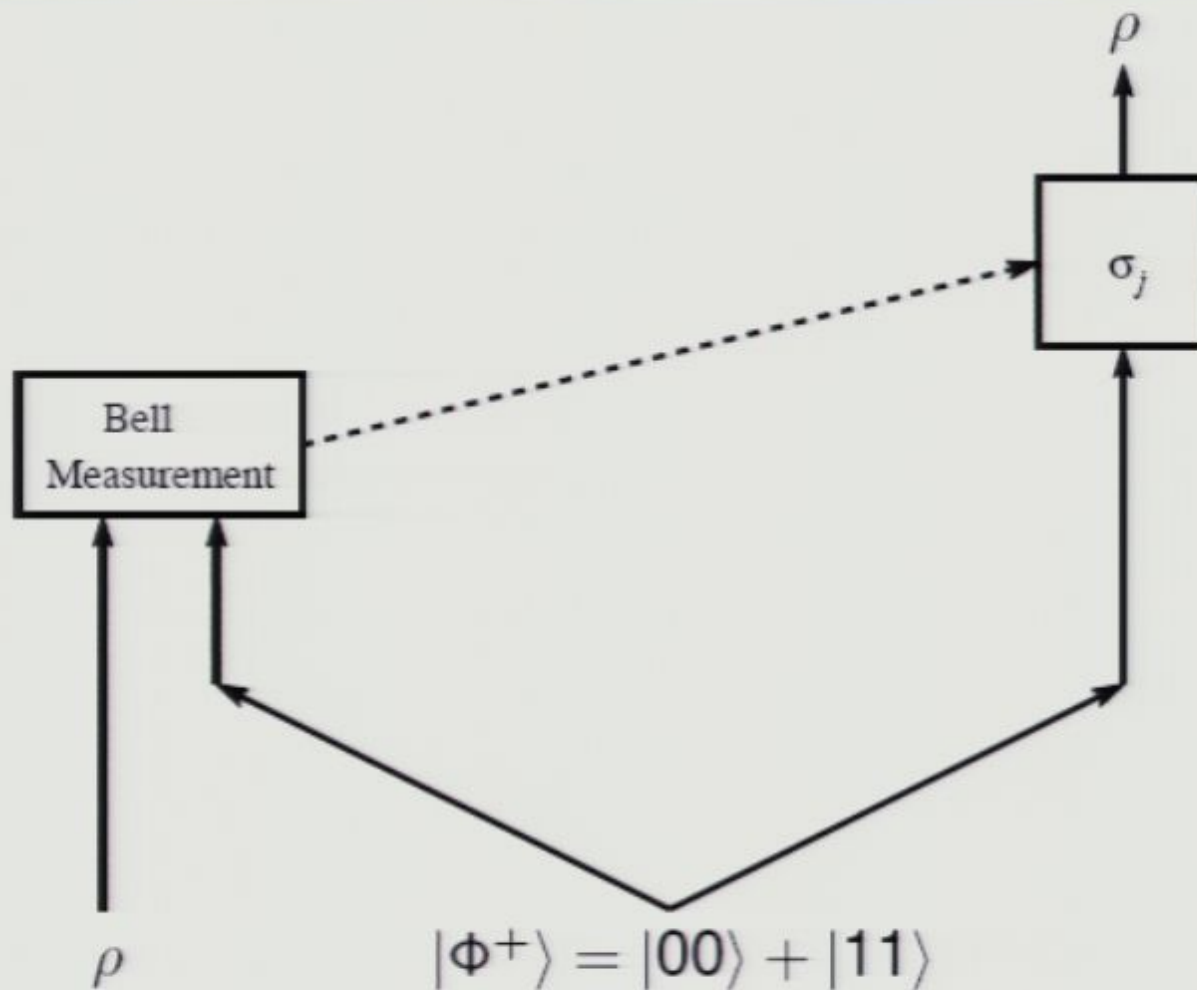
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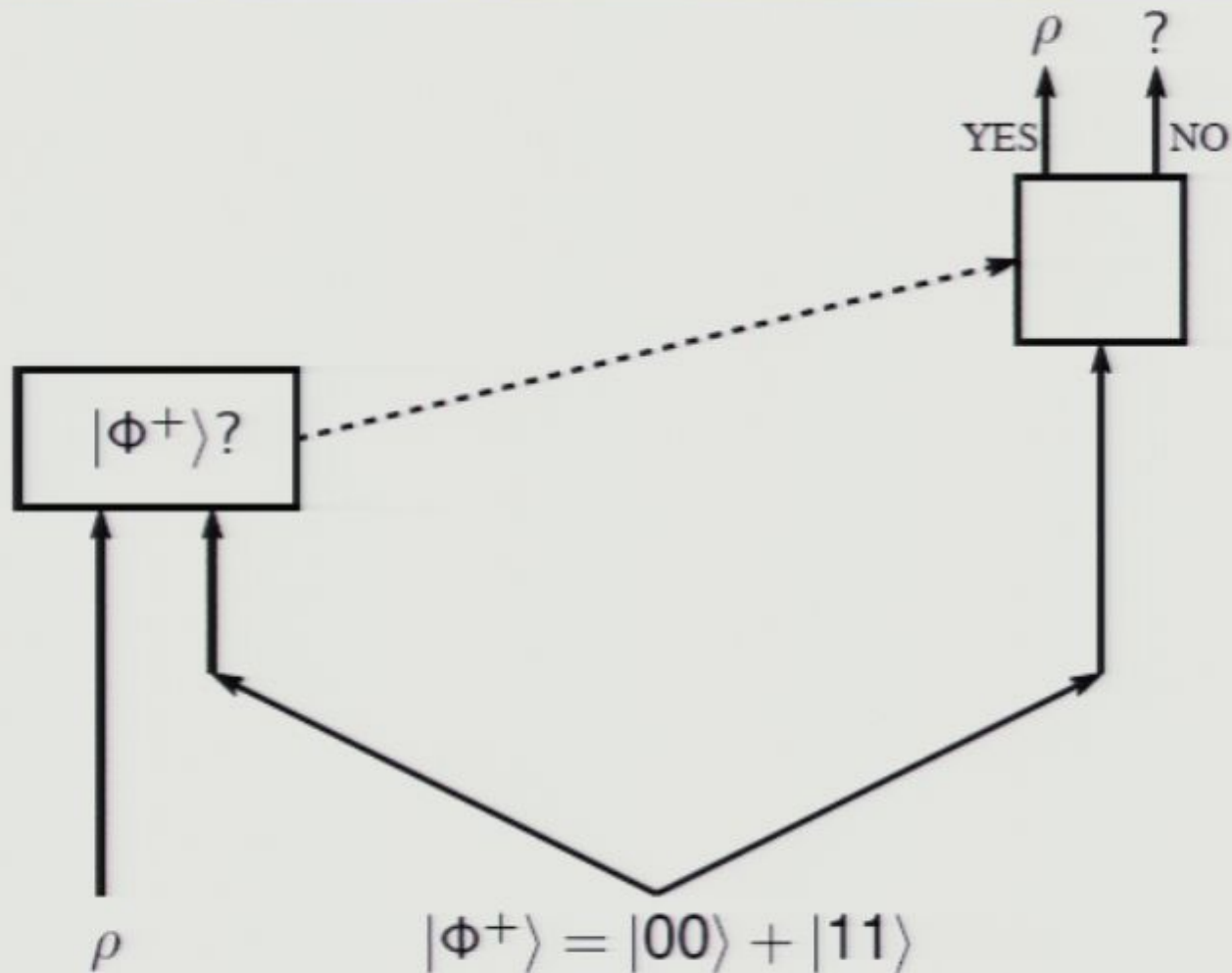
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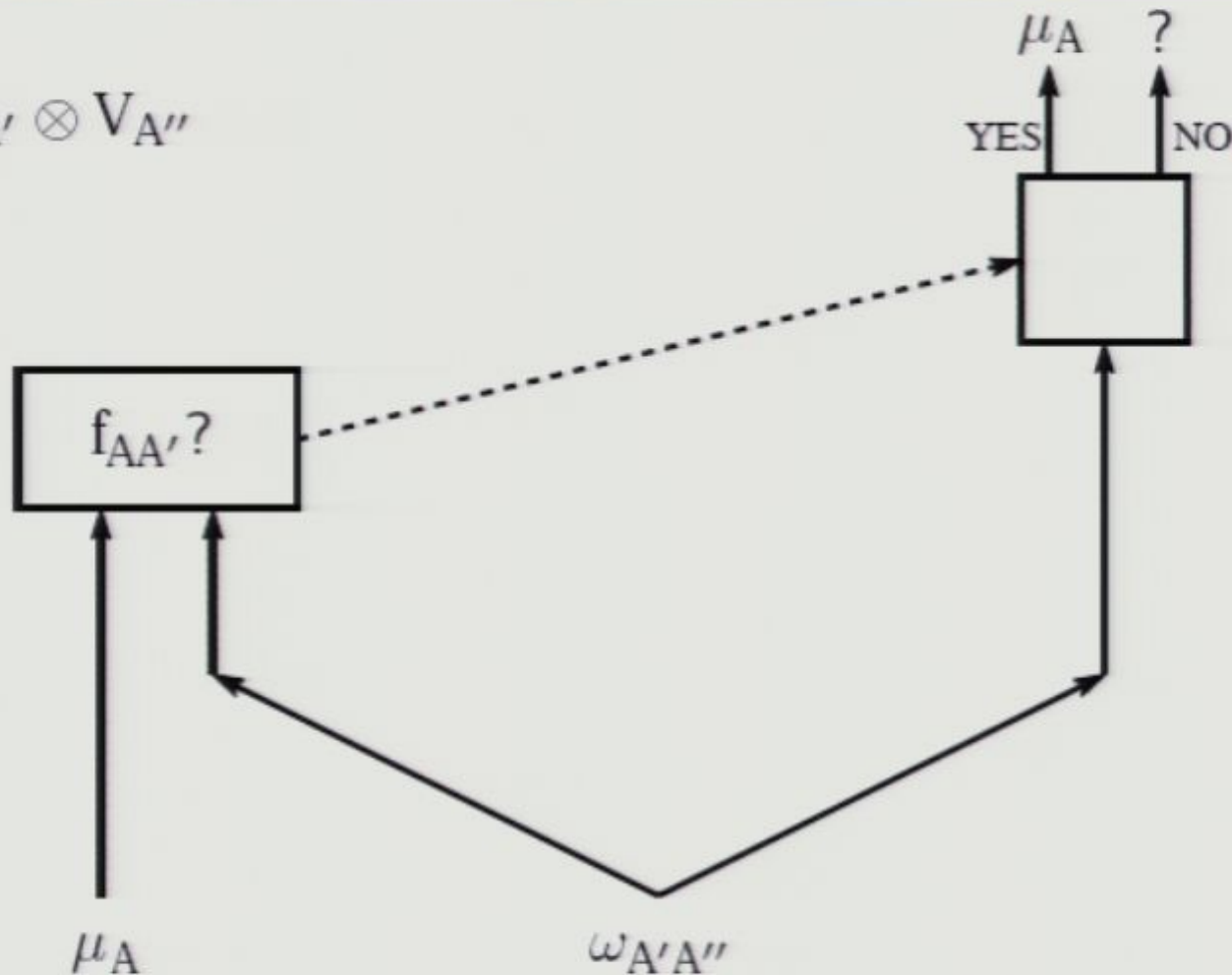


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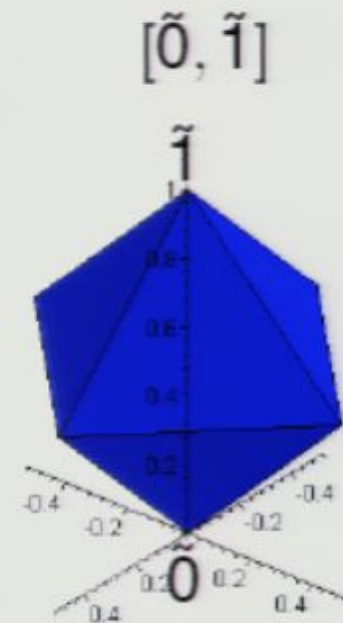
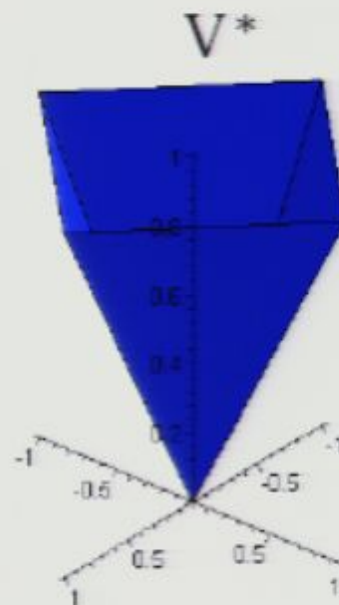
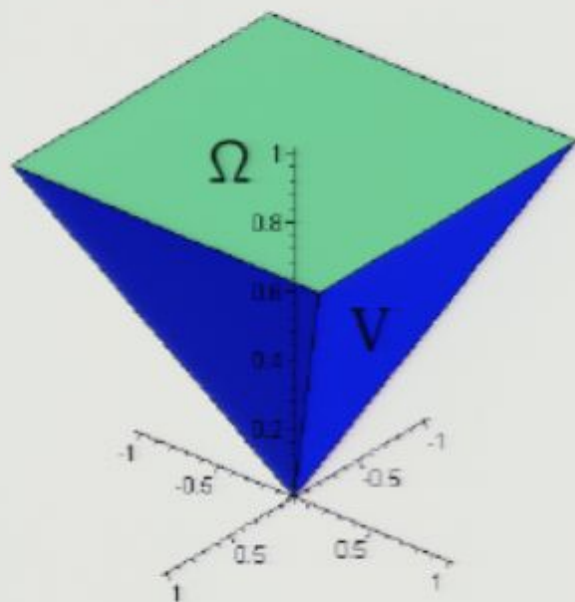
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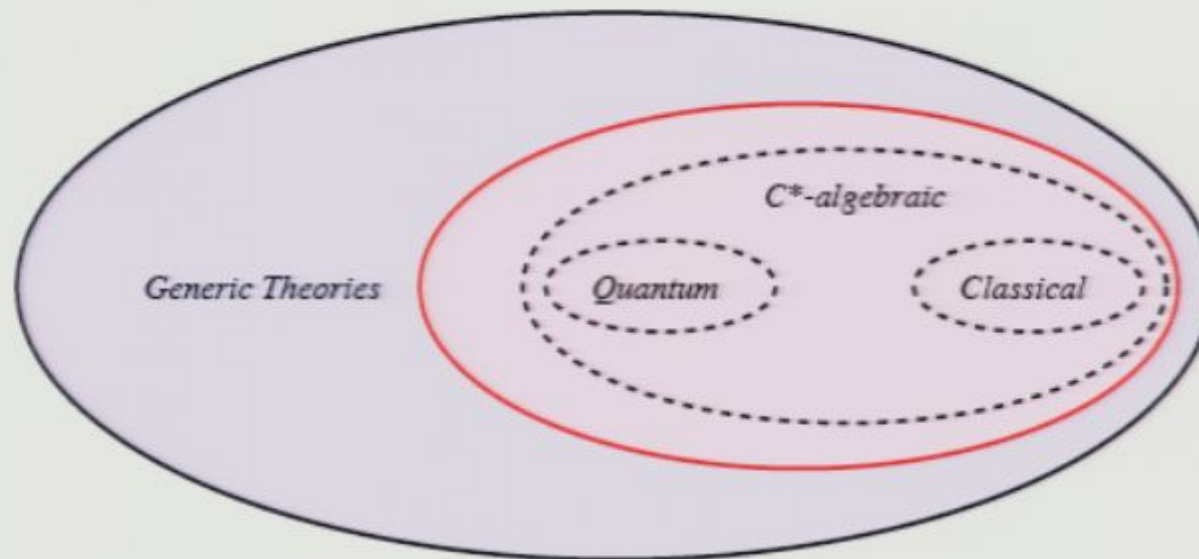
Examples

- **Classical:** $[\tilde{0}, \tilde{1}] = \{\text{Fuzzy indicator functions}\}$.
- **Quantum:** $[\tilde{0}, \tilde{1}] \cong \{\text{POVM elements}\}$ via $f(\rho) = \text{Tr}(E_f \rho)$.
- **Polyhedral:**



Generalized Conclusive Teleportation

- Teleportation exists in all C^* -algebraic theories.



Summary

- Many features of QI thought to be “genuinely quantum mechanical” are **generically nonclassical**.
- Can generalize much of QI/QP beyond the C^* framework.
- Nontrivial separations exist, but have yet to be fully characterized.

Open Questions

- Finite de Finetti theorem?
- Necessary and sufficient conditions for teleportation.
- Other Protocols
 - Full security proof for Key Distribution?
 - Bit Commitment?
- Which primitives uniquely characterize quantum information?

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