

Title: Foundations of Quantum Mech. (PHYS 639) - Lecture 8

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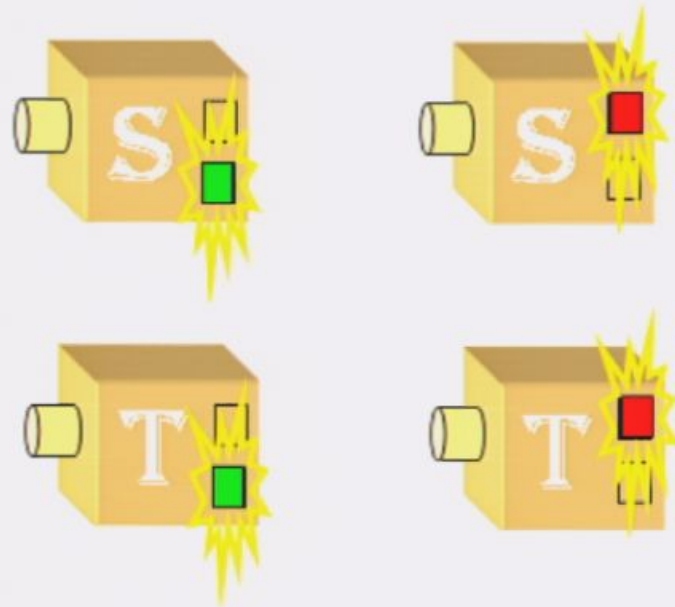
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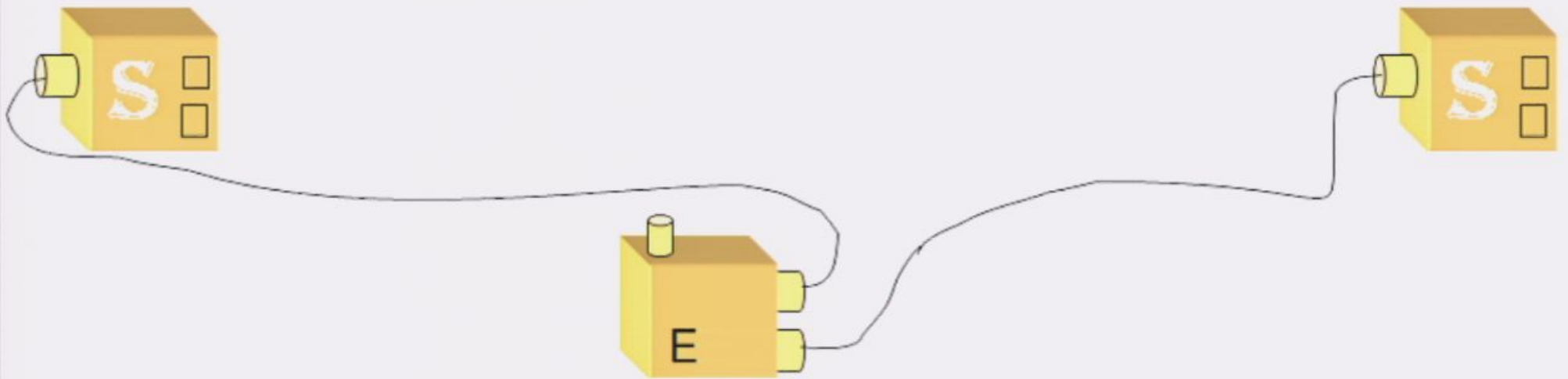
# Bell's theorem

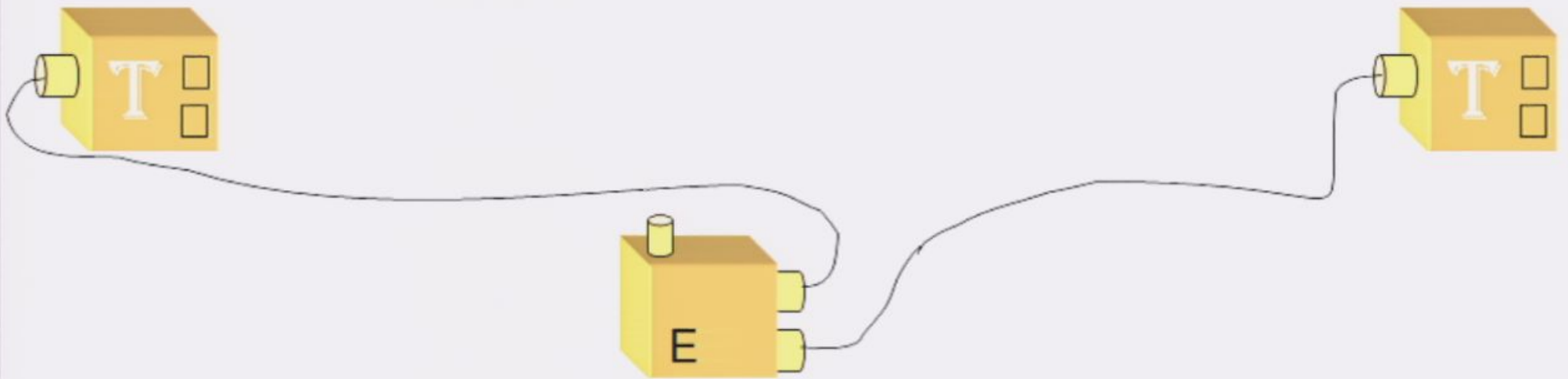


John S. Bell

A pair of two-outcome measurements







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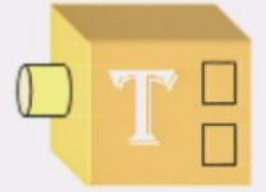




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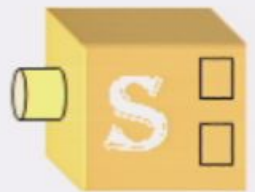


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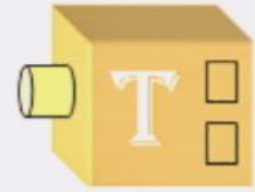
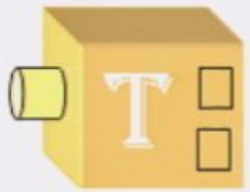
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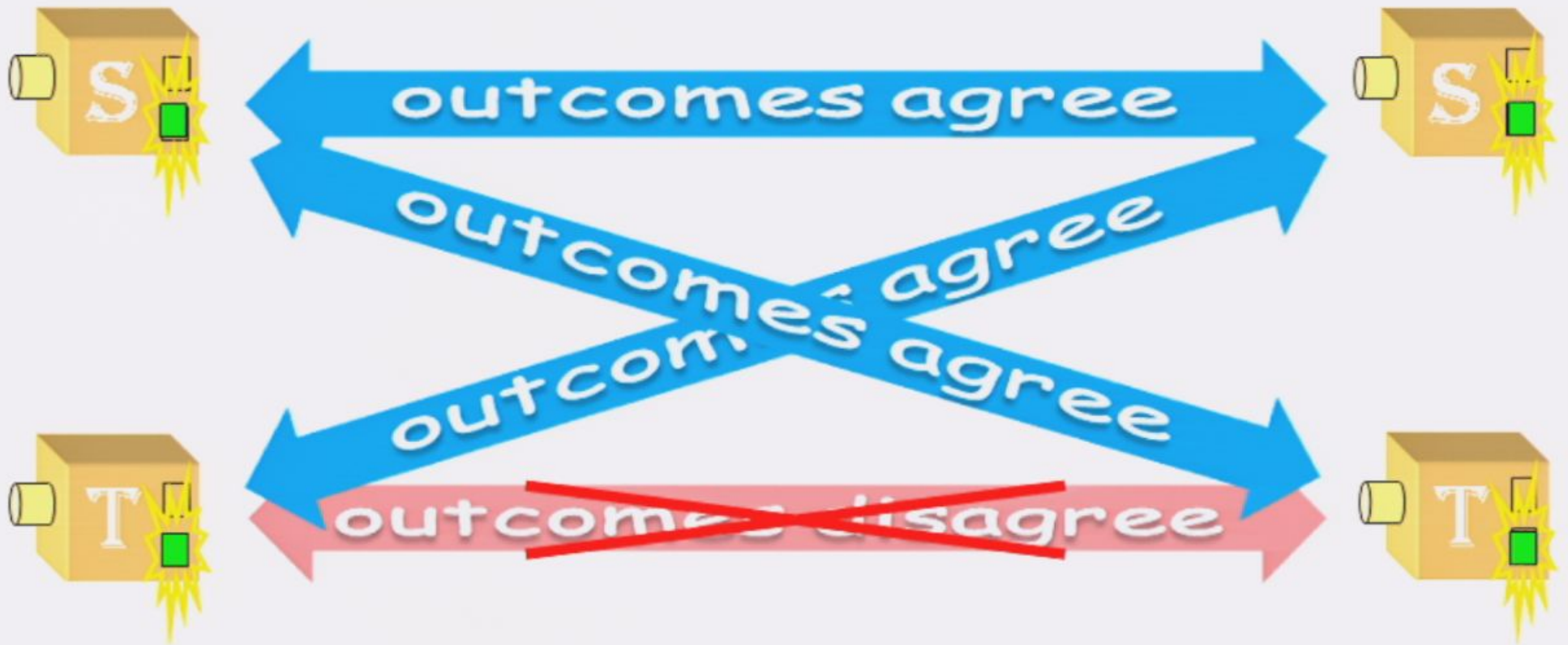
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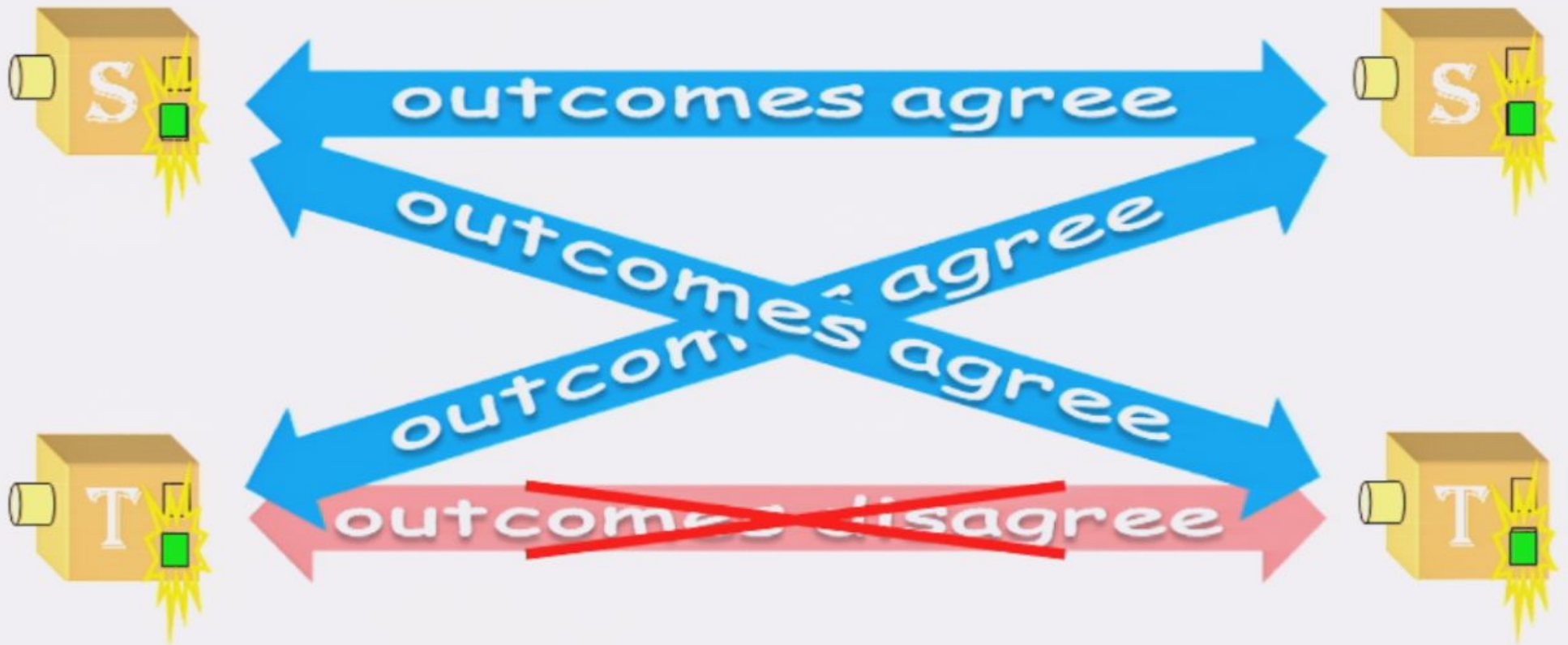
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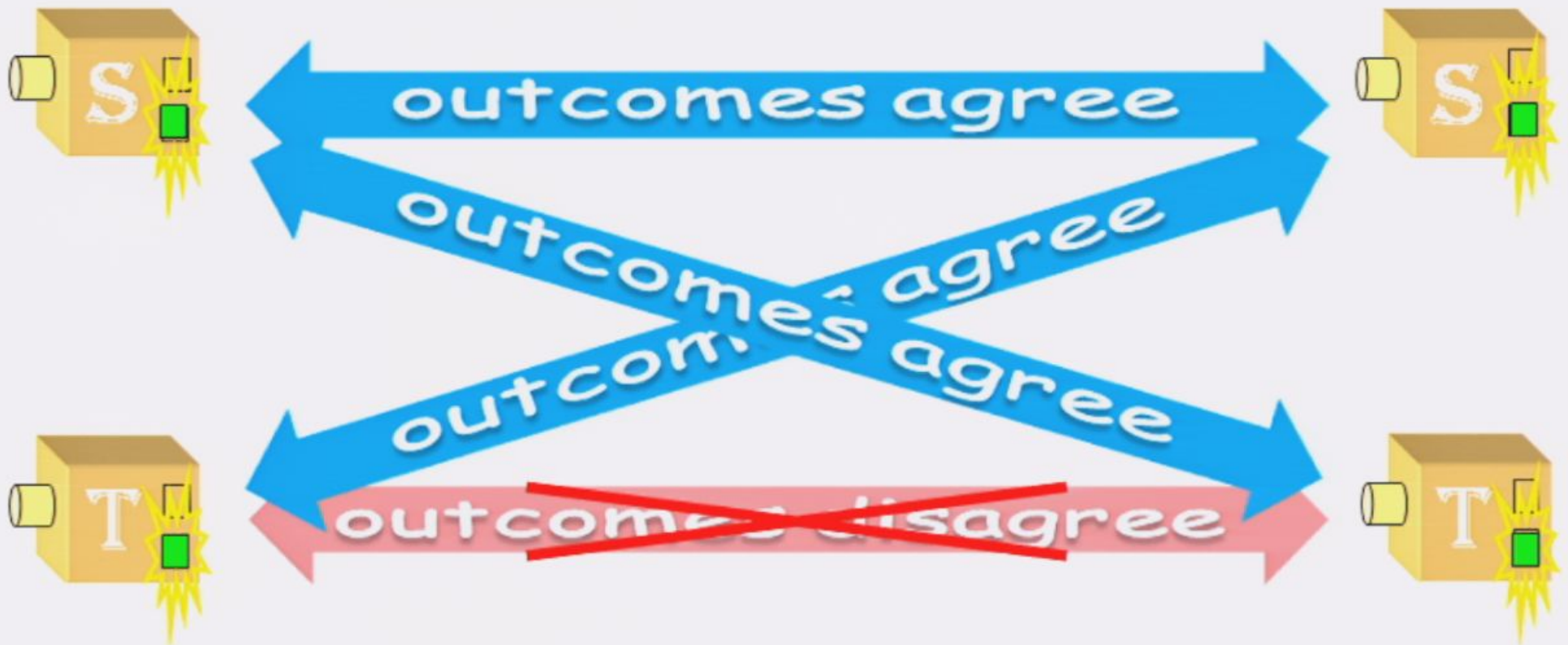
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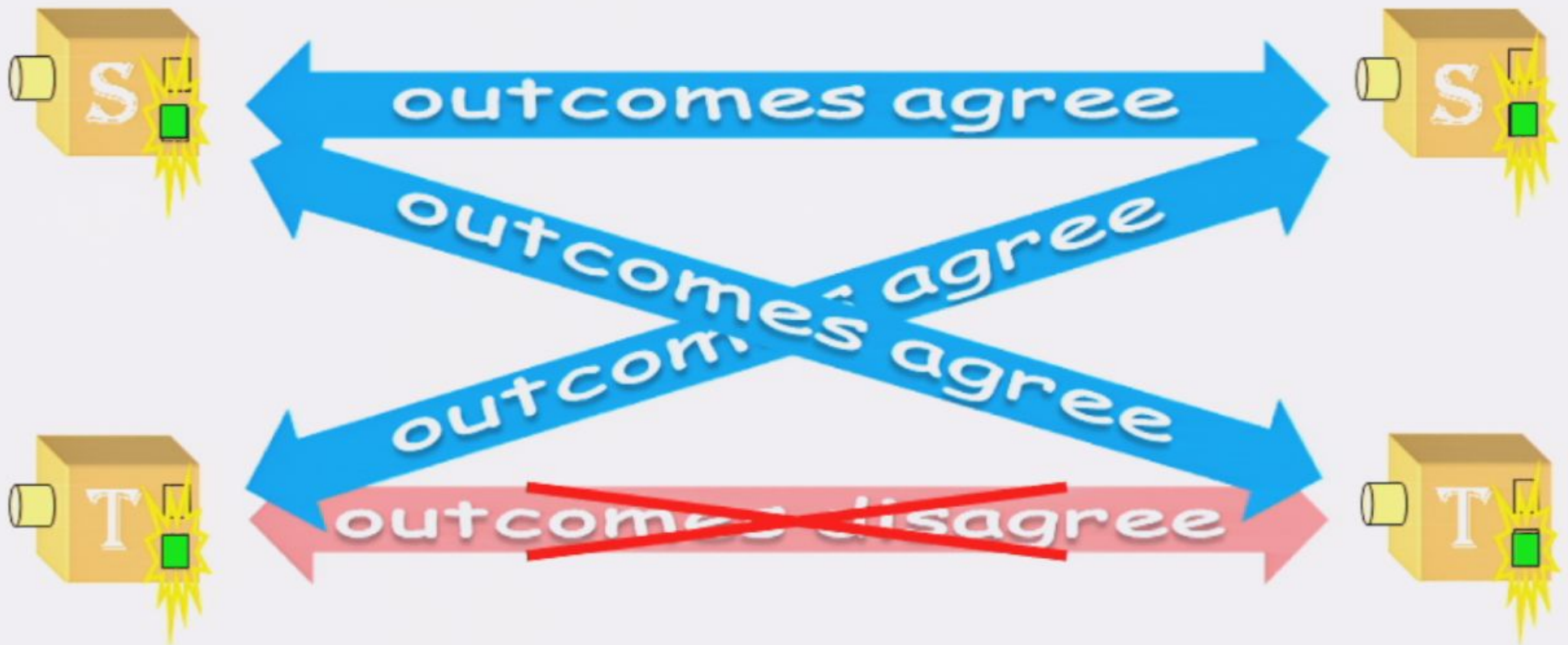
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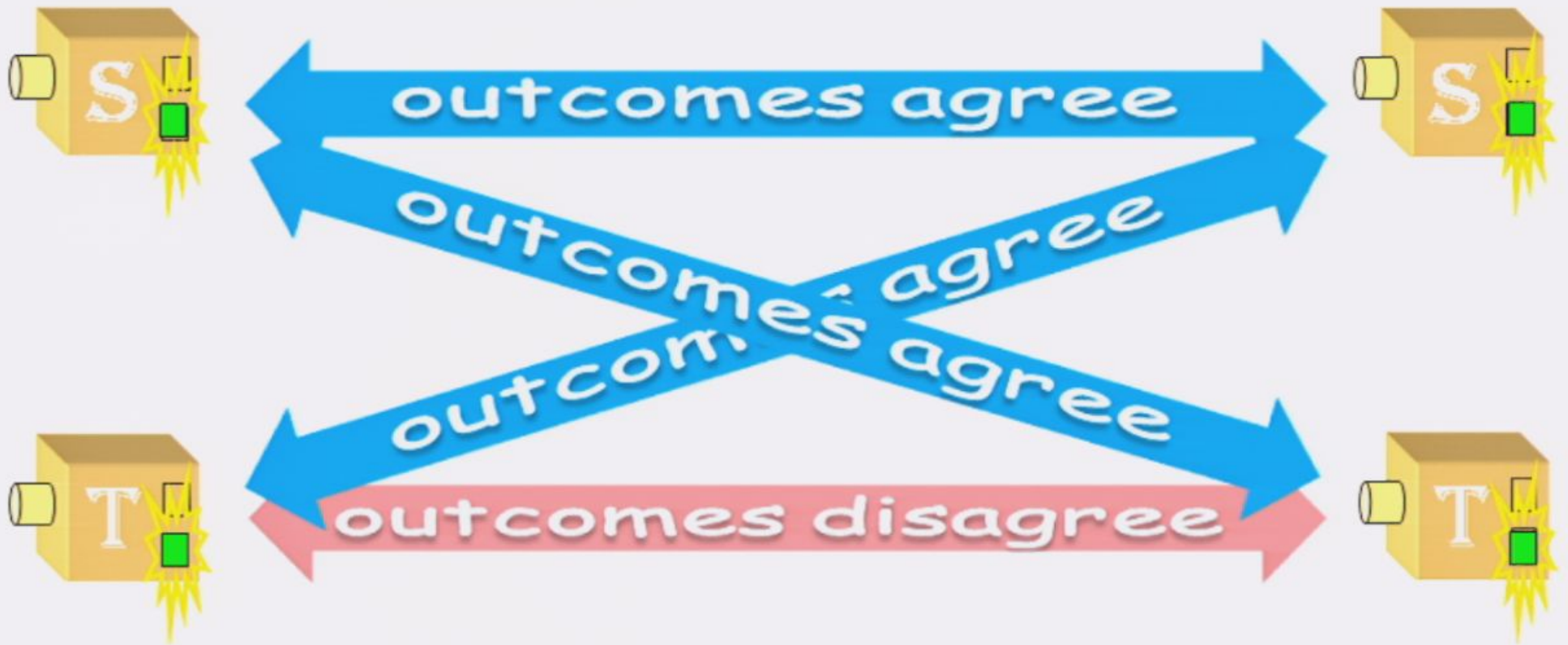
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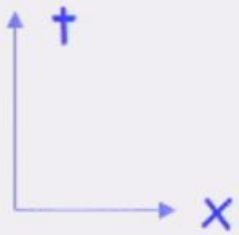


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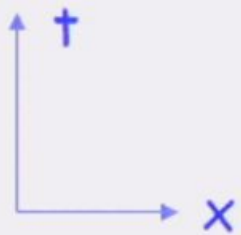
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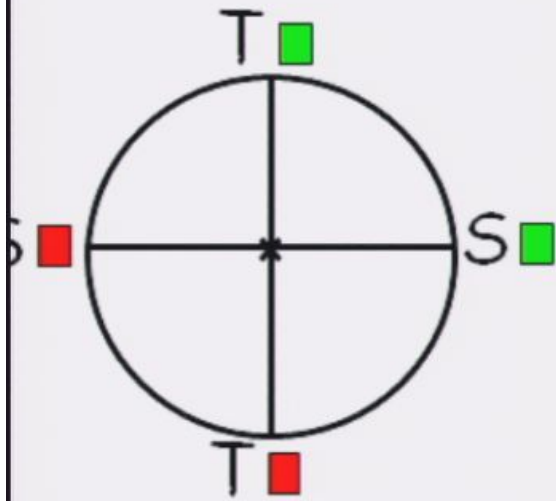
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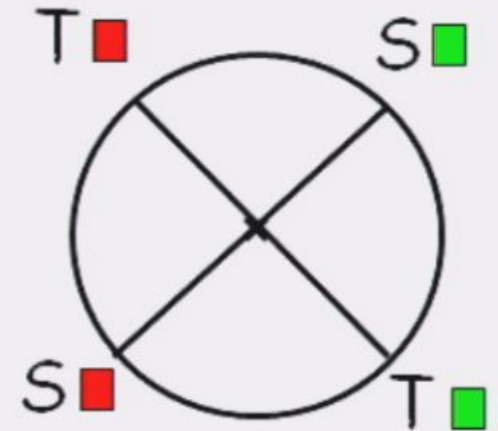
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$$p(\text{success}) = p(\text{agree}|SS)p(SS) + p(\text{agree}|ST)p(ST) \\ + p(\text{agree}|TS)p(TS) + p(\text{disagree}|TT)p(TT)$$

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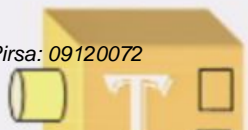


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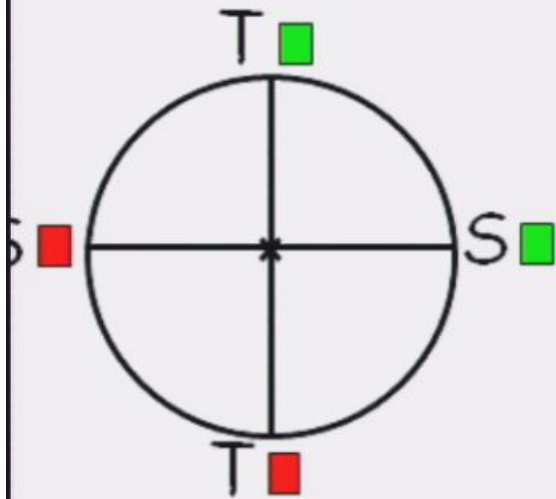
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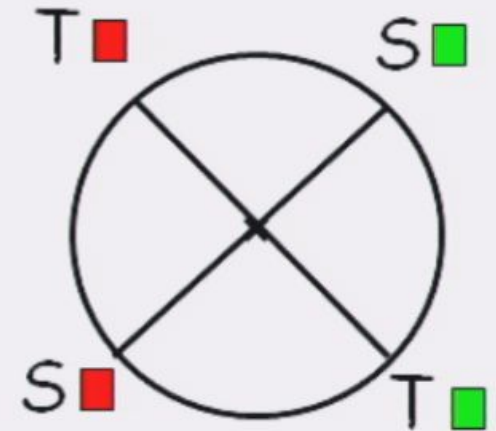
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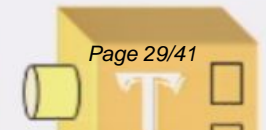
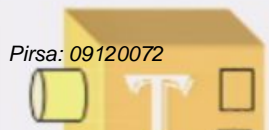
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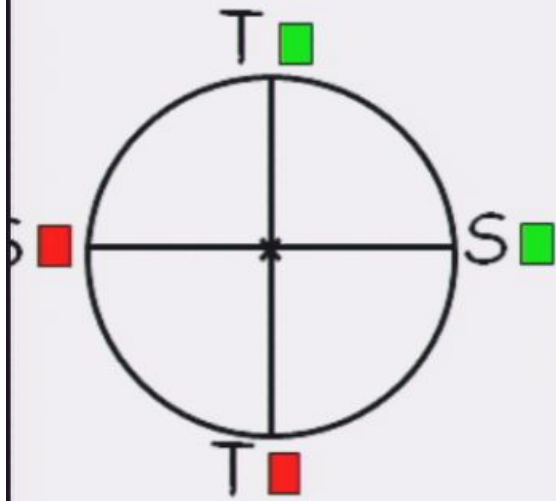
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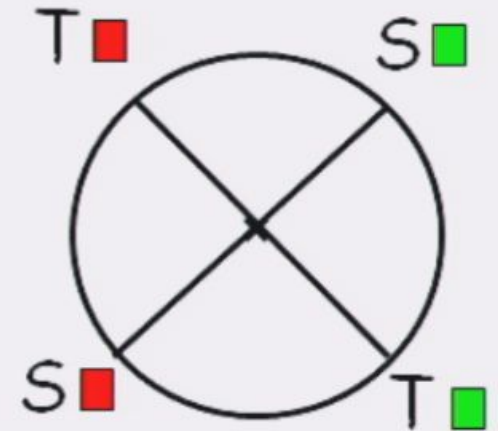
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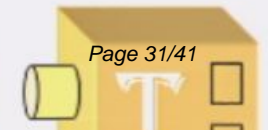
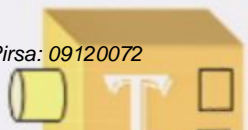
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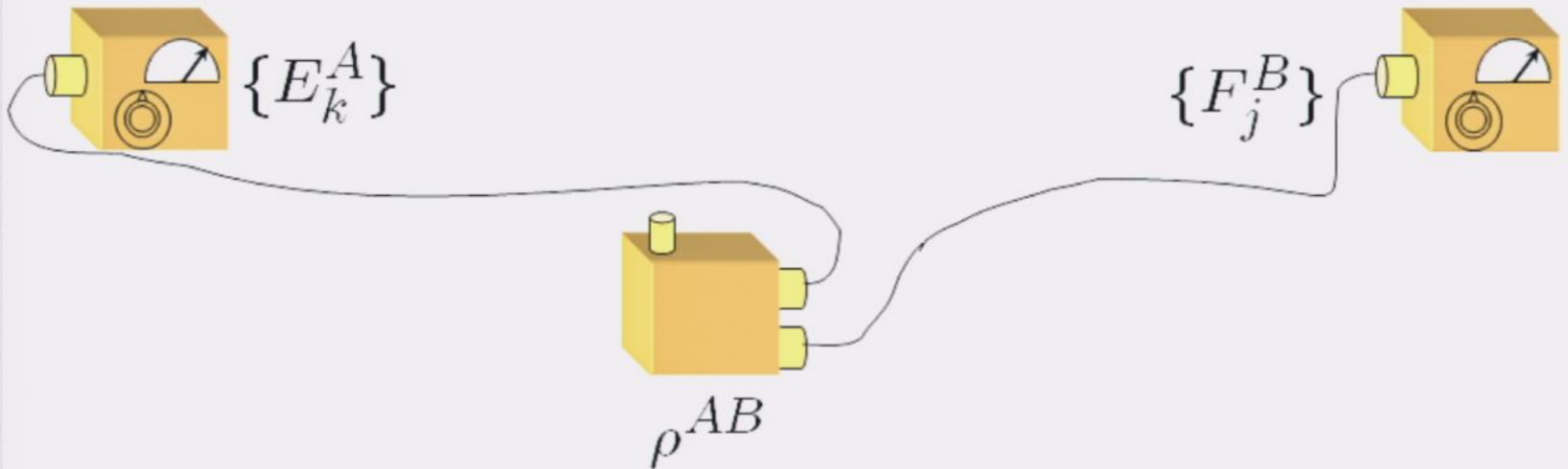
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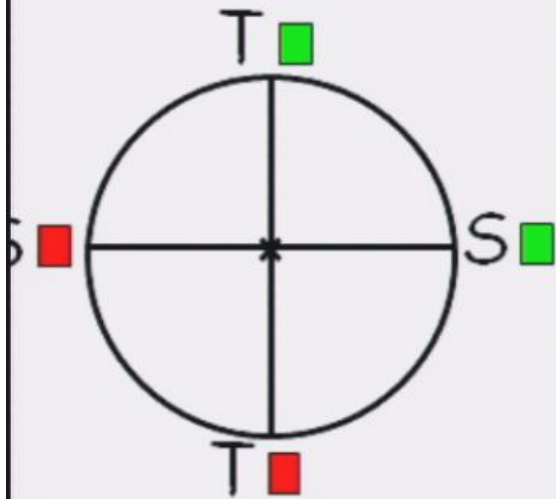
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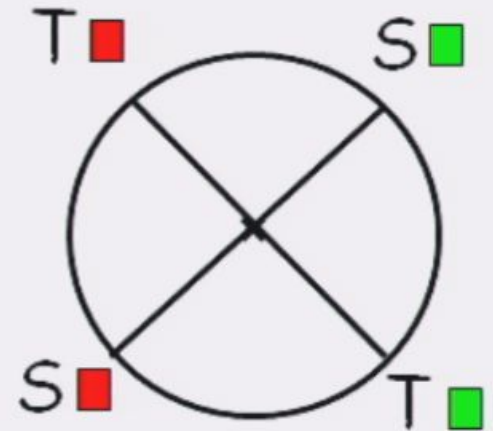
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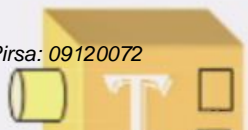
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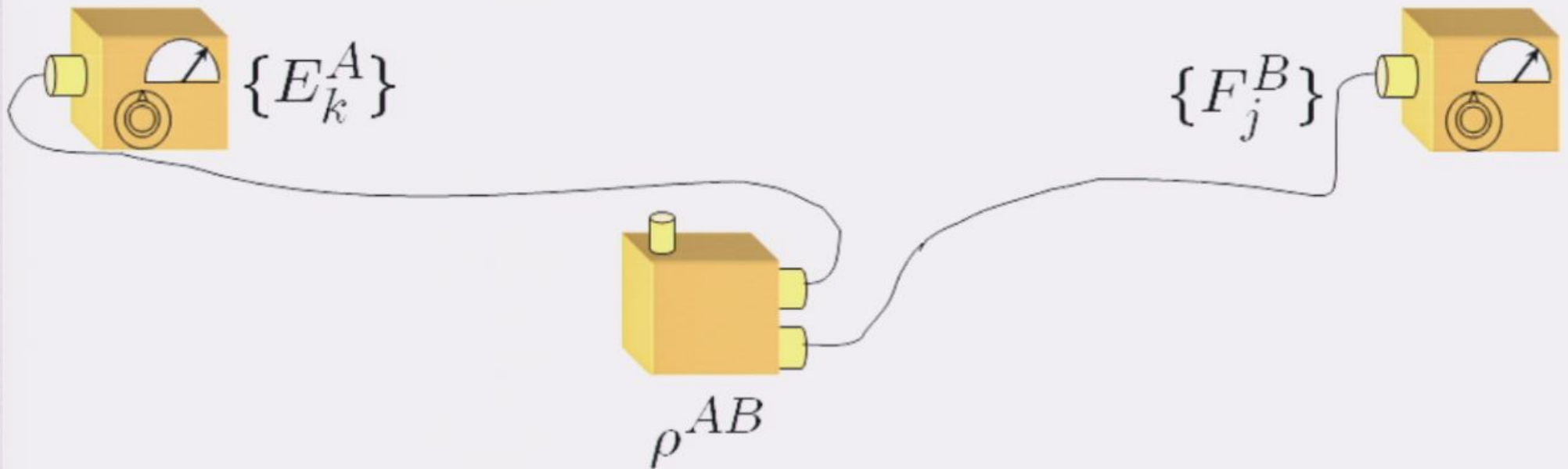
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