

Title: A Hierarchy of Multi-Party Nonlocal Effects

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Abstract: According to recent new definitions, a multi-party behavior is genuinely multipartite nonlocal (GMNL) if it cannot be modeled by measurements on an underlying network of bipartite-only nonlocal resources, possibly supplemented with local (classical) resources shared by all parties. Three experimental results published in 2022 provide initial evidence, subject to postselection-related assumptions, for the existence of behaviors meeting these definitions of GMNL. The new definitions of GMNL differ on whether to allow entangled measurements upon, and/or superquantum behaviors among, the underlying bipartite resources when classifying behaviors as only bipartite nonlocal. I will discuss the interrelationships of these choices in three-party quantum networks, and present a behavior in the simplest nontrivial multi-partite measurement scenario (3 parties, 2 measurement settings, and 2 outcomes) that (A) cannot be simulated in a bipartite network prohibiting both entangled measurements and superquantum resources, (B) can be simulated with bipartite-only quantum states allowing for an entangled quantum measurement (indicating an approach to device independent certification of entangled measurements with fewer settings than in previous protocols), and surprisingly (C) can be simulated with bipartite-only superquantum states (Popescu-Rohrlich boxes) while maintaining a prohibition on entangled measurements. It turns out that other behaviors previously studied as device-independent witnesses of entangled measurements can also be simulated in the manner of (C), posing a challenge to a theory-independent understanding of entangled measurements as an observable phenomenon distinct from bipartite nonlocality.

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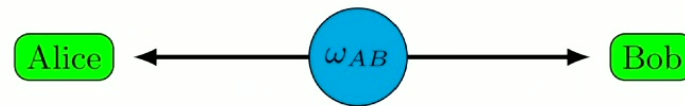


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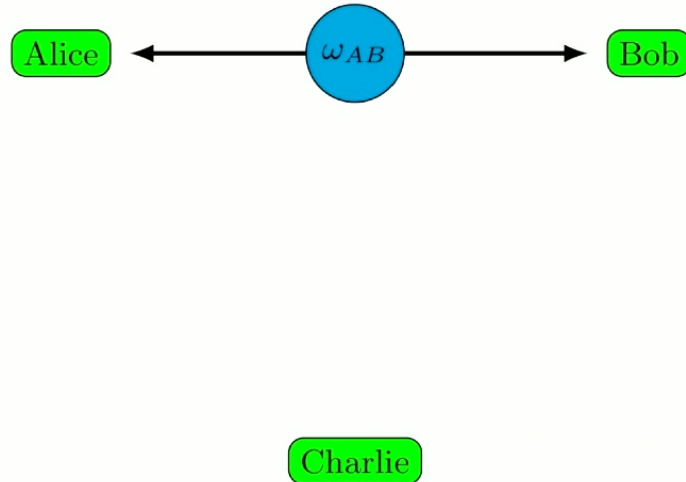
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## Bipartite Nonlocality



- 2022 Physics Nobel Prize for experiments in 1970s, 1980s, 1990s
- Loophole-Free Demonstrations of Bell nonlocality in 2015  
Hensen *et al.* Nature 526:682, Shalm *et al.* PRL 115:250402,  
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- Random Numbers certified by impossibility of FTL signaling  
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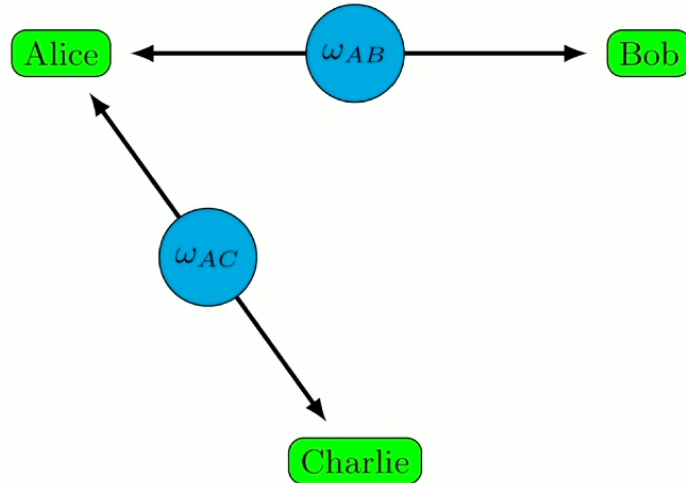
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- The three-party behavior  $P(ABC|XYZ)$  is nonclassical, but not in a *genuinely multipartite* way:  

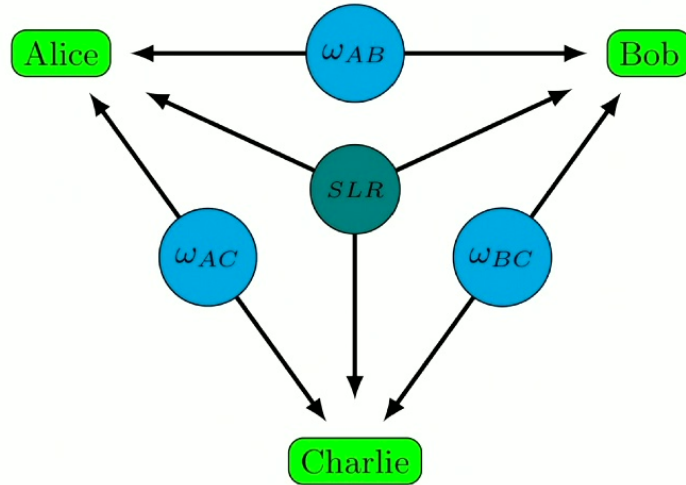
$$P(ABC|XYZ) = P(AB|XY)P(C|Z)$$
 ( $X, Y, Z =$  inputs,  $A, B, C =$  observed outputs)
- Old definition of GMNL:  $P(ABC|XYZ)$  does not decompose into a convex combination of 2 vs. 1 splits

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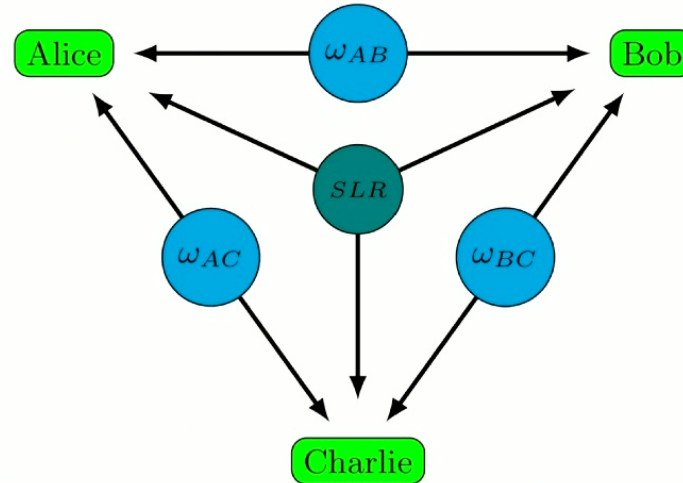


- For parallel Bell experiments,  $P(ABC|XYZ)$  is (mis?)classified as GMNL according to old definition

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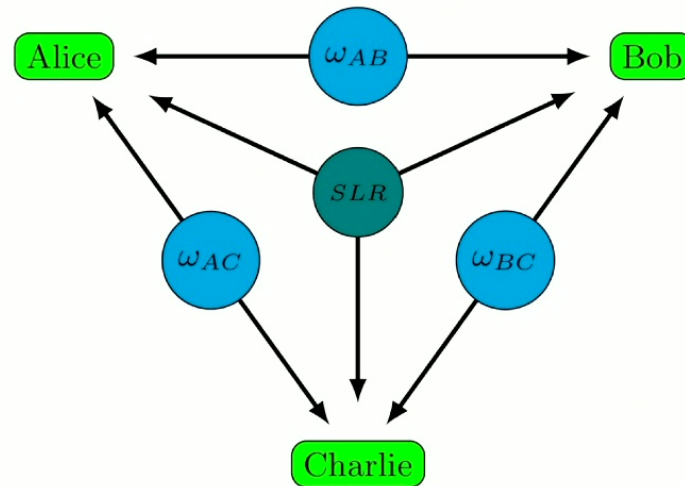


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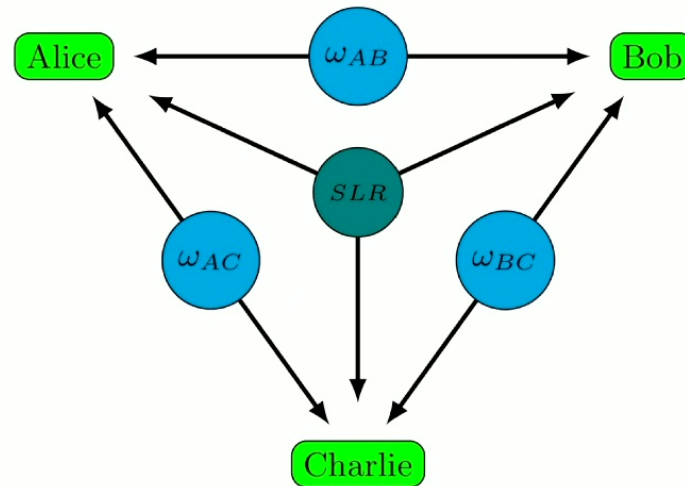
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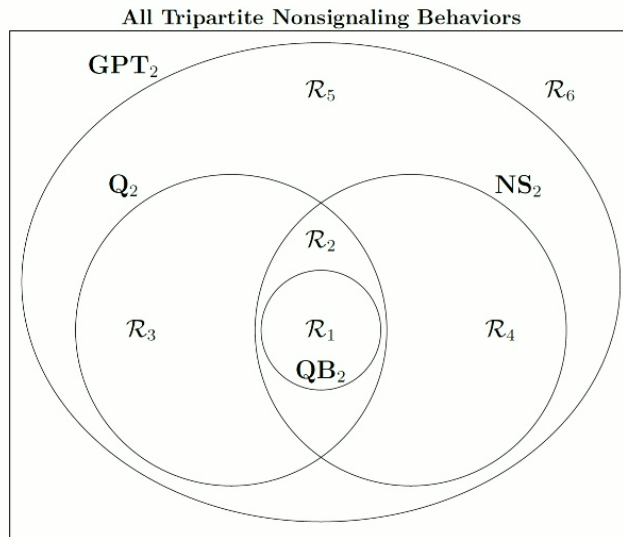
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 Interest: foundations, device-independent certification of effects

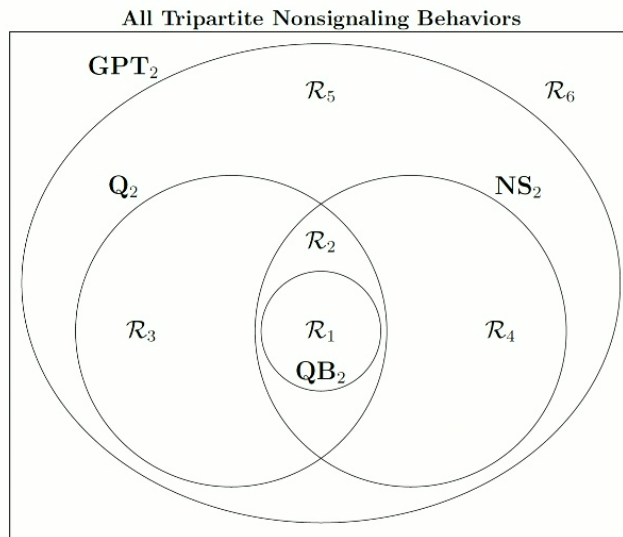
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- $GPT_2^C$ : Most general definition of GMNL; that of Coiteux-Roy, Wolfe, Renou [PRL 127:200401(2021)]
- Quantum correlations in  $\mathcal{R}_6$  exist and can be tested

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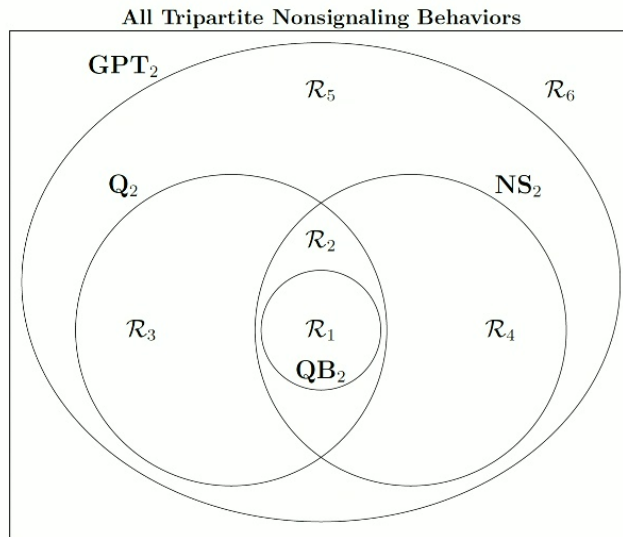
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- $Q_2^C$ : Definition of GMNL in Schmid, Fraser, Kunjwal, Sainz, Wolfe, Spekkens [arXiv:2004.09194(2020)]
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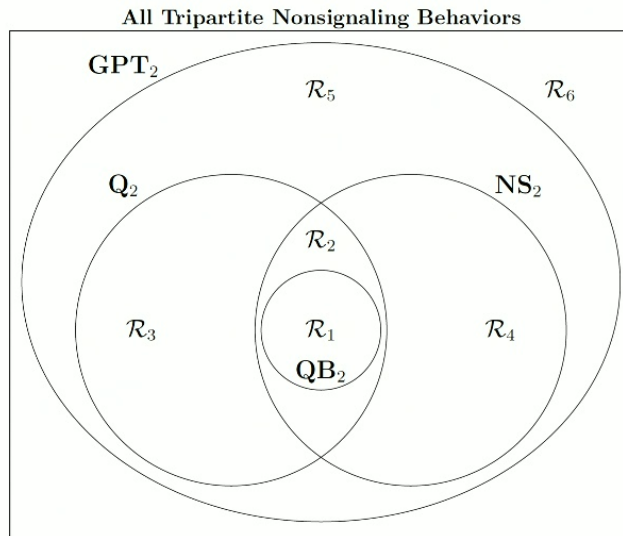
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- $NS_2^C$ : Definition of GMNL in Bierhorst [PRA 104:012210(2021)]
- Argument: A nonsignaling “box” is the most abstract manifestation of (just) bipartite nonlocality

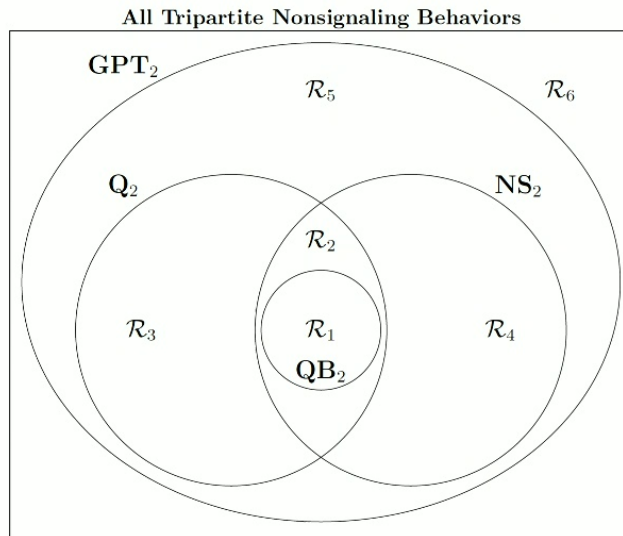
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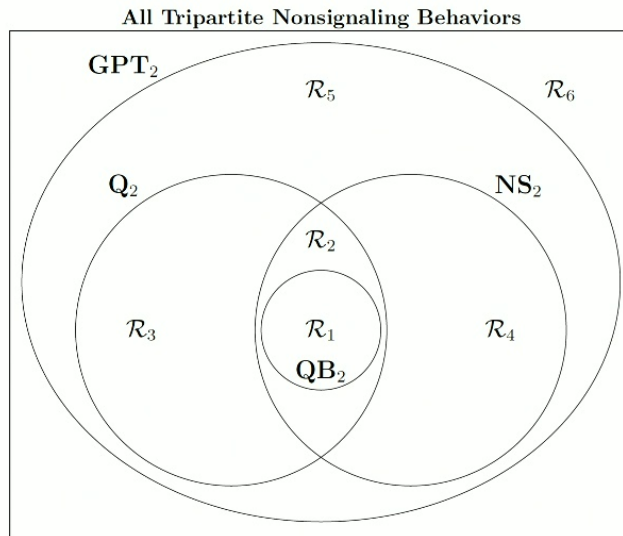
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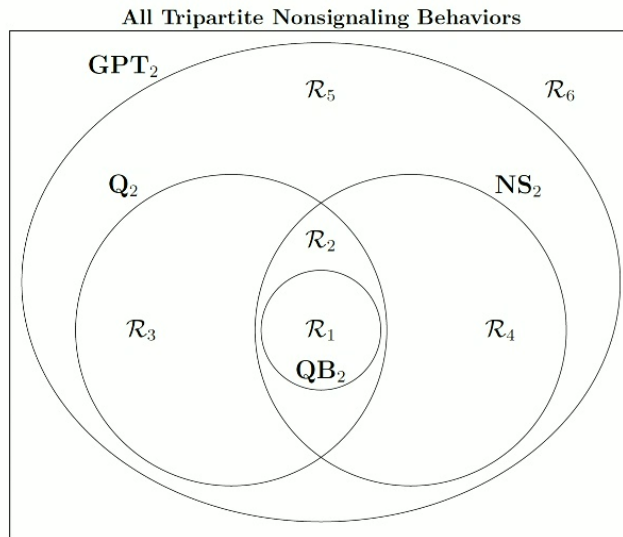
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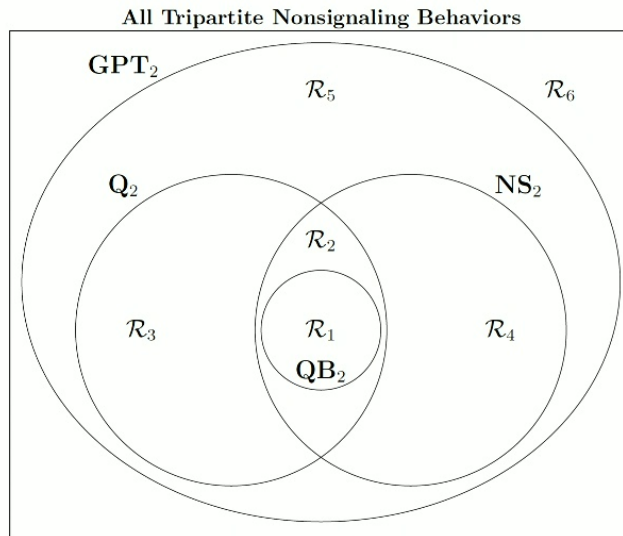


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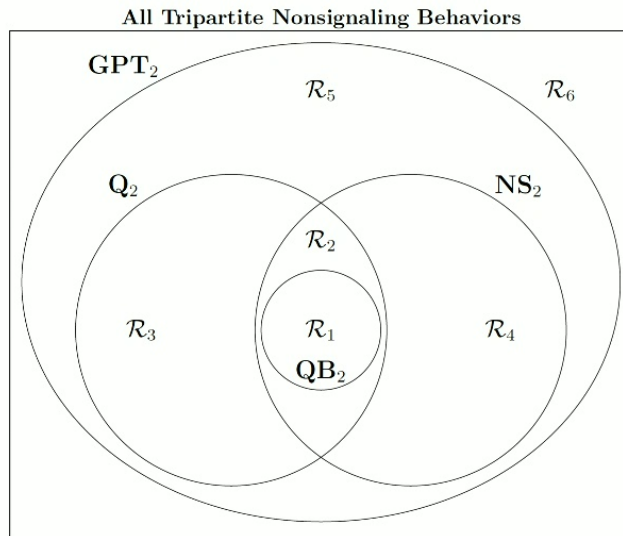
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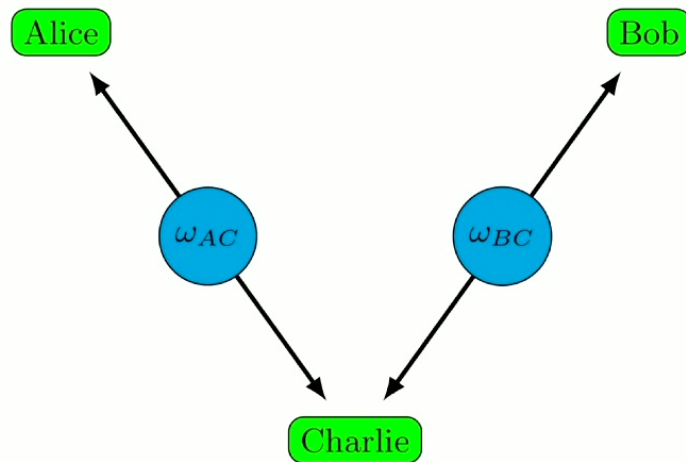
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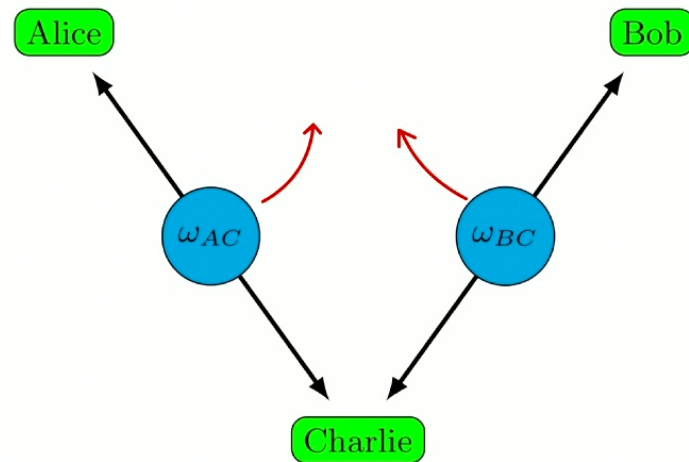
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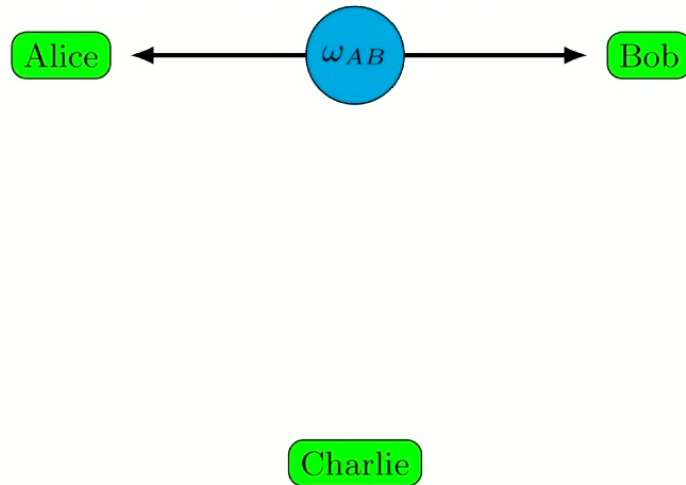
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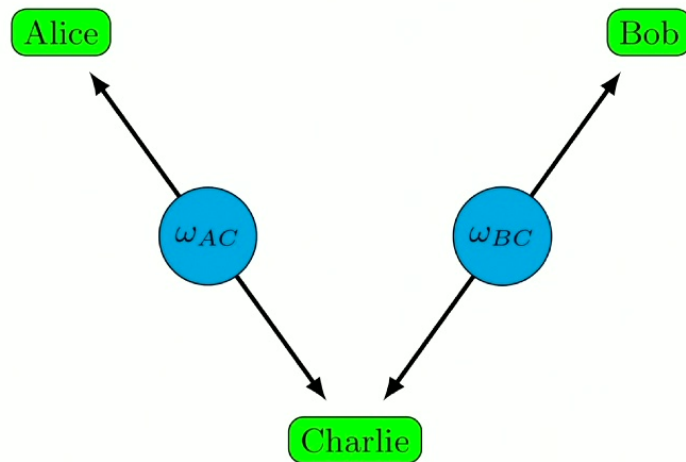
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- Alice and Bob always perform CHSH measurements
- On setting  $Z = 1$ , Charlie ignores Bob and measures a direction aligned with one of Alice's directions, leading to perfect correlation with Alice when she measures this direction

## Results

*Theorem 1.* There is a behavior  $P(ABC|XYZ)$  in  $Q_2$  with binary input and output random variables satisfying the conditions  $P(C = 0|Z = 0) > 0$ ,  $P_{Z=0,C=0}(AB|XY)$  maximally violates the CHSH inequality, and  $P(A = C|X = 0, Z = 1) = 1$ . Furthermore, no behavior in  $QB_2$  can satisfy these conditions.

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Technical aspects of proof:

- Easy to reduce problem to pure states, and ignore shared local randomness
- Hard to reduce from POVMs to PVMs for Alice and Bob (needed for self-testing); dilation approach of Peres (1993)
- Since we are in  $QB_2$ , we can violate CHSH with A-B link, but this means Alice only measures Bob-shared portion
- Requires care to properly rewind this constraint to the joint state prior to conditioning on Charlie's measurement outcome

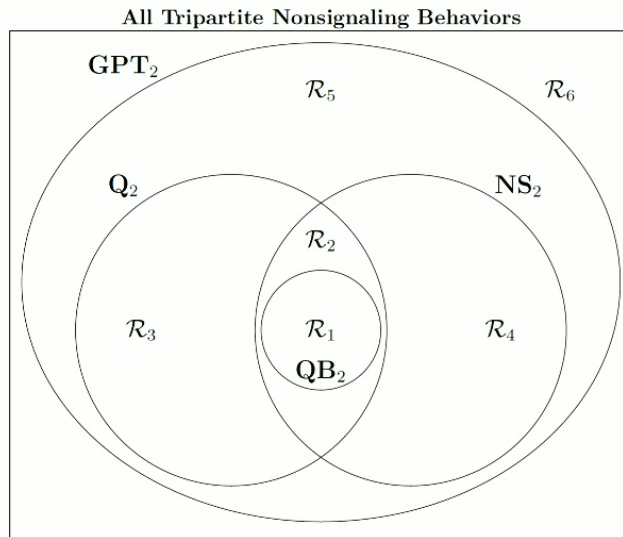


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Application: device-independent certification that Charlie is using an entangled measurement in simplest-possible  $(3,2,2)$  scenario

Important for testing hardware in a quantum network

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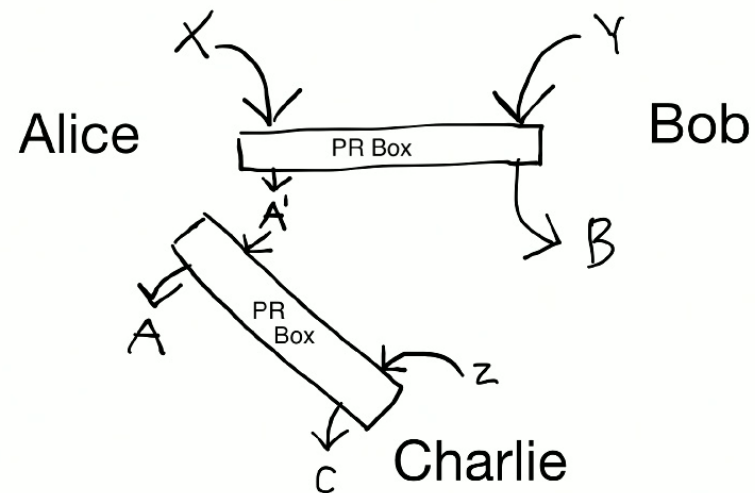


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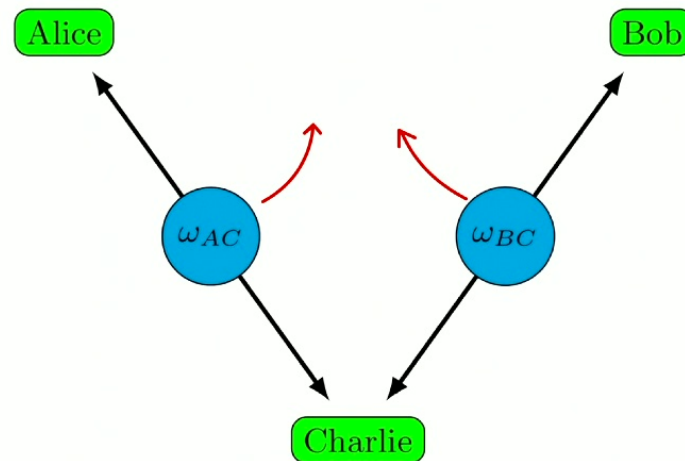
*Theorem 2.* There exists a behavior in  $NS_2$  meeting the conditions of Theorem 1.



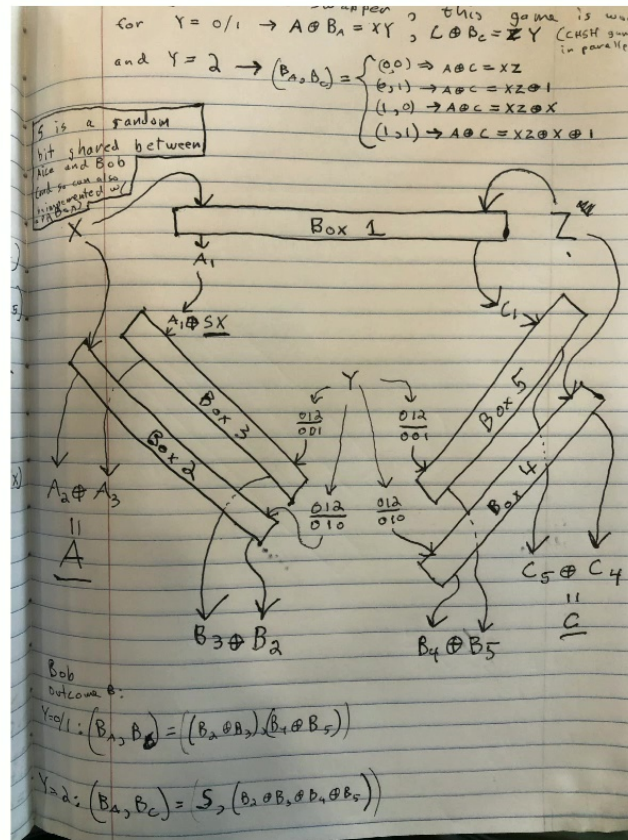
$$\text{PR Box: } \text{Prob}(AB|XY) = (1/2)\delta_{A\oplus B, XZ}$$

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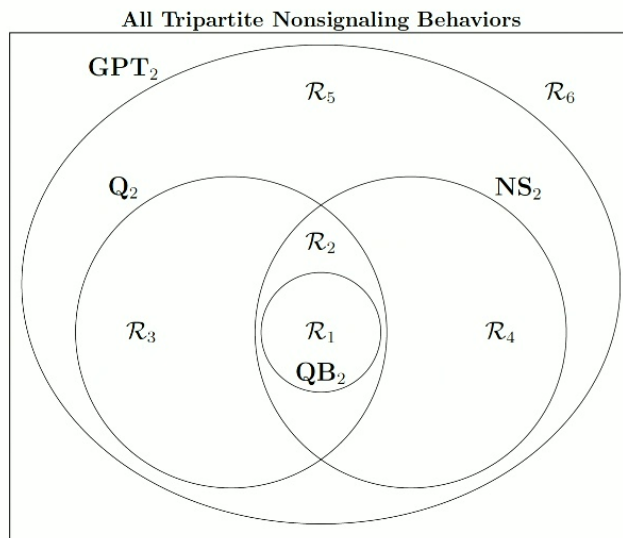
- What about Rabello?
- This is a stronger result, ruling out not just  $QB_2$ , but also unentangled measurements on tripartite states
- Charlie has 3 measurement settings, 4 outcomes



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## Future Work



- Is  $\mathcal{R}_3$  nonempty? Is there a theory-independent notion of an entangled measurement?
- Is  $\mathcal{R}_5$  nonempty?  $NS_2$  and  $GPT_2$  may align
- Give a second look to PR box simulations
- Best robust testable constraint for  $(3,2,2)$
- Better experiments to witness  $\mathcal{R}_6$  correlations – different setup? Possible with re-analysis of un-postselected data?

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