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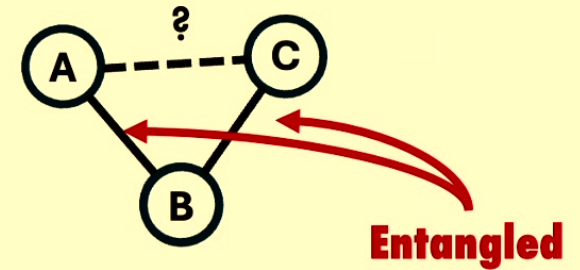
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Abstract:

The quantum marginal problem concerns the compatibility of given reduced states. In contrast, the entanglement transitivity problem takes compatible entangled marginals as input and ask if one can infer therefrom the entanglement of some other marginals. When this is possible, the input marginals are said to exhibit entanglement transitivity. Previous studies [Npj Quantum Inf 8, 98 (2022)] have demonstrated that certain families of states show entanglement transitivity. In this talk, we will show that when specific dimension constraints are satisfied, entanglement transitivity is possible and even generic among the marginals of pure state. To this end, we use the fact that given these constraints, the marginals of generic pure states (1) uniquely determine the global state and (2) are entangled. For the latter, our results generalize that of Aubrun et al. [Comm. Pure. Appl. Math. 67, 129 (2013)], which allows us to conclude further that sufficiently large parts of a generic multipartite pure state are entangled for any bipartition.

Generic uniqueness, marginal entanglement, and **entanglement transitivity**



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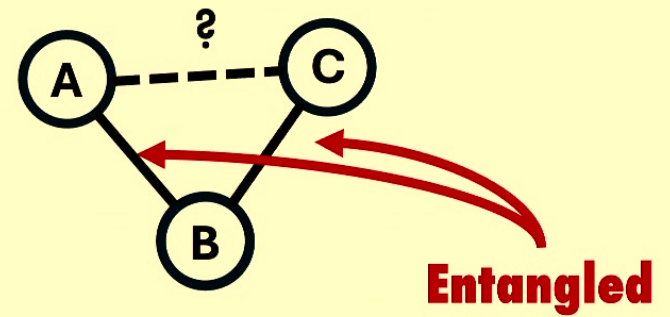


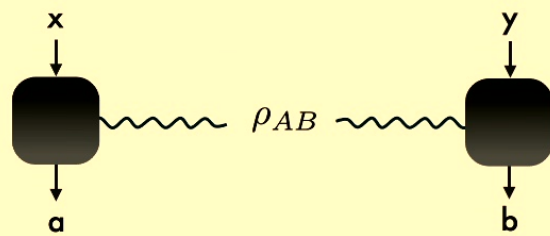
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Nonlocality

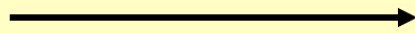
Transitivity





Correlation

$$P_{AB} = \{p(a, b|x, y)\}$$

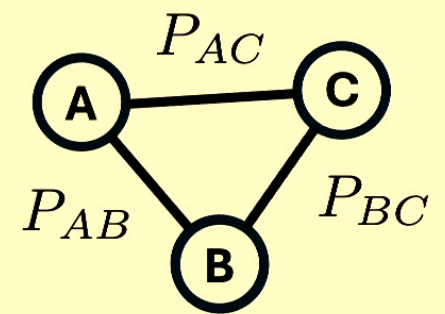
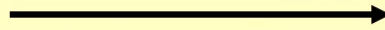


$$P_{ABC} = \{p(a, b, c|x, y, z)\}$$



Marginal

$$P_{AB} = \{p(a, b|x, y)\}$$

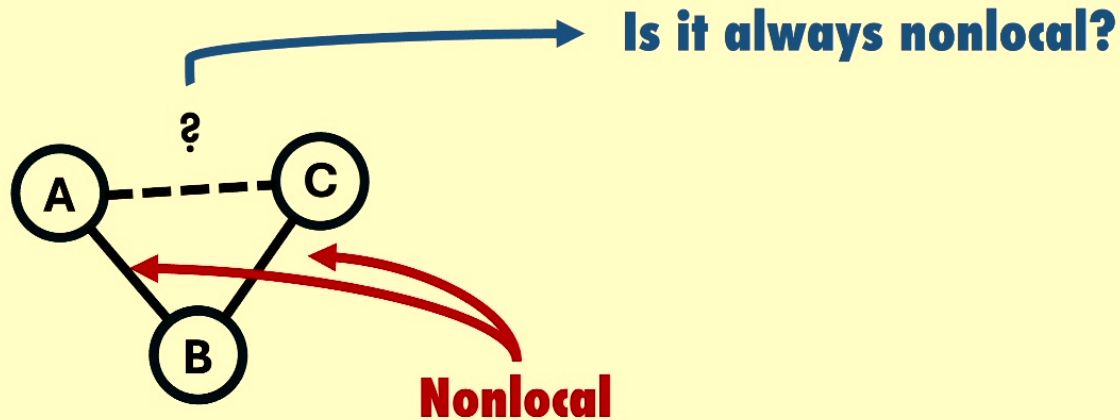


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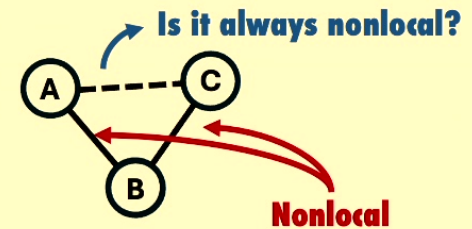
Nonlocality Transitivity

P_{AB}, P_{BC} exhibit **nonlocality transitivity** if and only if

Compatible **nonlocal** $P_{AB}, P_{BC} \longrightarrow P_{AC}$ must be **nonlocal**



Nonlocality Transitivity

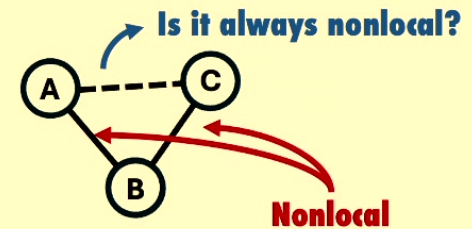


Post-quantum example in $(3,4,2)$ Phys. Rev. Lett. 107, 100402 (2011)

Quantum examples are yet to be found!

- Nonlocality transitivity as a feature that separates quantum theory from other **foil theories**?

Nonlocality Transitivity



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What are the necessary conditions for nonlocality transitivity?

Entanglement Transitivity !

Nonlocality Transitivity

Compatible

nonlocal P_{AB}, P_{BC}



P_{AC} must be **nonlocal**

Entanglement Transitivity

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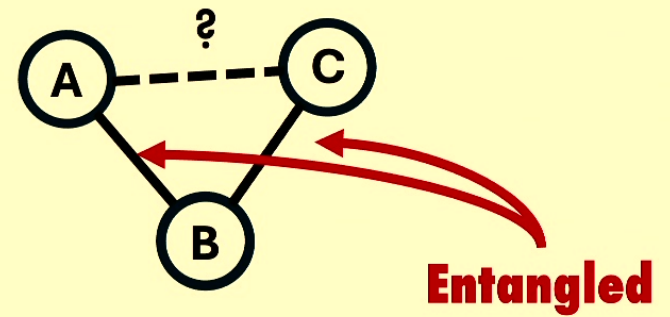
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entangled ρ_{AB}, ρ_{BC}



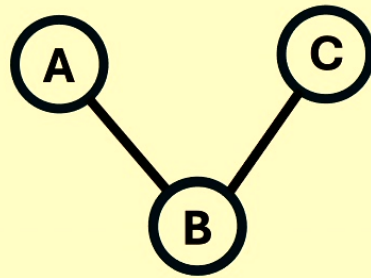
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Entanglement Transitivity



Entanglement Transitivity: Examples

Entangled ρ_{AB}, ρ_{BC} that are **compatible**



Entanglement monogamy: $\rho_{AB}, \rho_{BC} \neq |\Phi^+\rangle\langle\Phi^+|$

Entanglement Transitivity: Examples

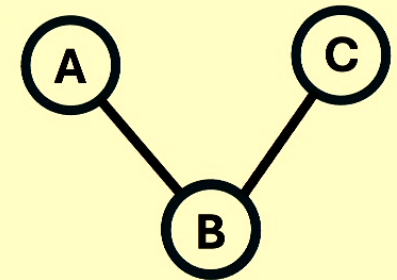
Entangled ρ_{AB}, ρ_{BC} that are **compatible**

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$$\rho_{AB} = \rho_{BC} = \frac{2}{3} |\Psi^+\rangle\langle\Psi^+| + \frac{1}{3} |00\rangle\langle 00|$$

$$|\Psi^+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle + |10\rangle)$$



Entanglement Transitivity: Examples

Should all compatible **AC** marginals be entangled?

$$\rho_{AC} = \frac{2}{3} |\Psi^+\rangle\langle\Psi^+| + \frac{1}{3} |00\rangle\langle 00|$$

This is the only compatible state!

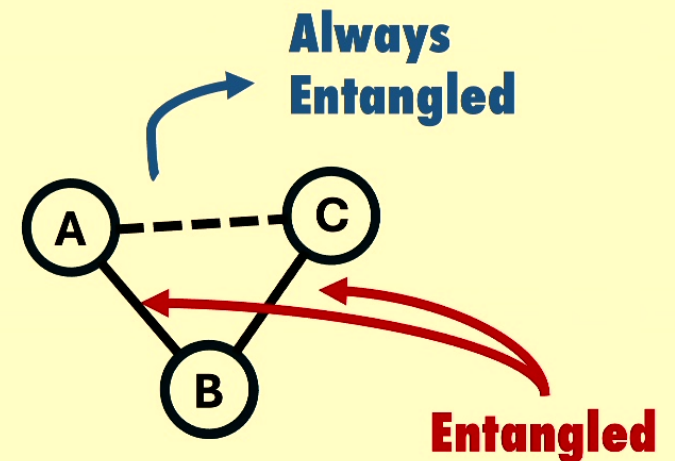
ρ_{AB}, ρ_{BC} **uniquely determine** the AC marginal.

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AB and **BC** are said to exhibit **entanglement transitivity**.



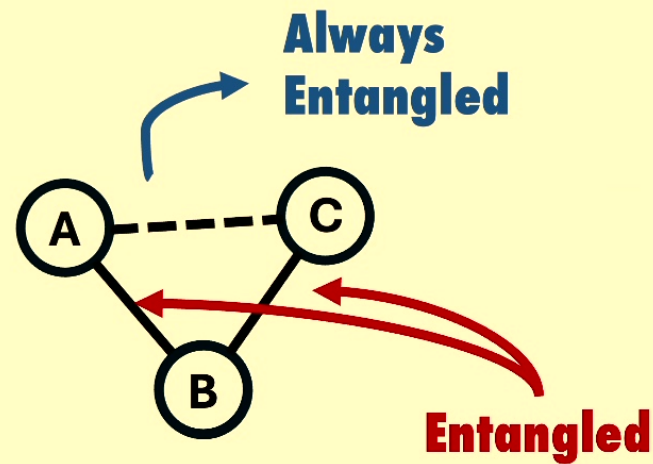
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Entanglement Transitivity: Confusion

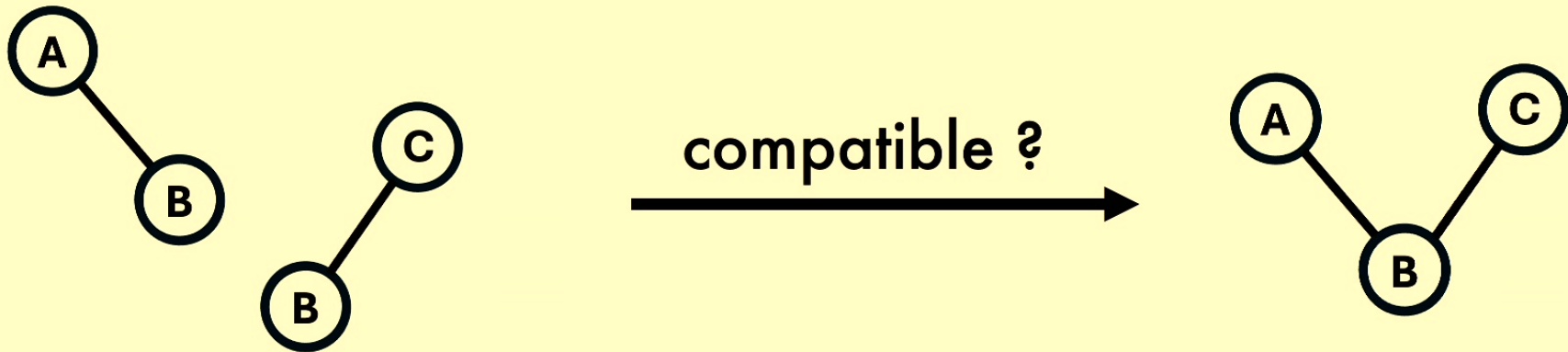
$\rho_{ABC} \rightarrow \rho_{AB}, \rho_{AC}, \rho_{BC}$ are entangled

Do **AB** and **BC** exhibit entanglement transitivity ?

Not really!



Quantum Marginal Problems with overlaps



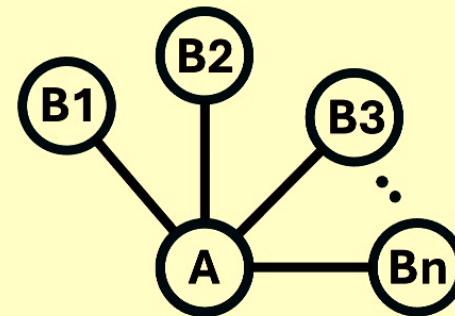
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Consistent overlap does not guarantee compatibility.

Quantum Marginal Problems with overlaps

Is **AB** **n-shareable** ?

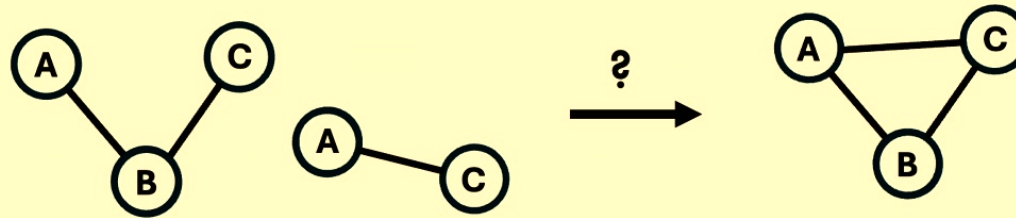
$$\rho_{AB} = \rho_{AB_1} = \rho_{AB_2} = \cdots = \rho_{AB_n}$$



AB is **n-shareable** for any **n** \iff **AB** is separable

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Quantum Marginal Problems: Uniqueness



Existence

Does there **exist** an AC that is compatible with AB and BC?

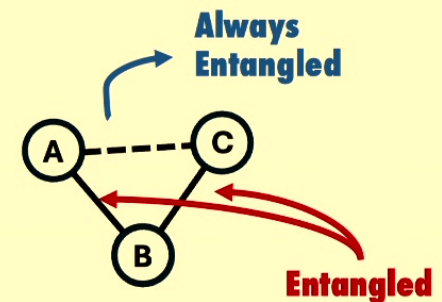
Uniqueness

Is AC compatible with AB and BC **unique**?

Phys. Rev. Lett. 89, 277906 (2002)

Is entanglement transitivity **generic** ?

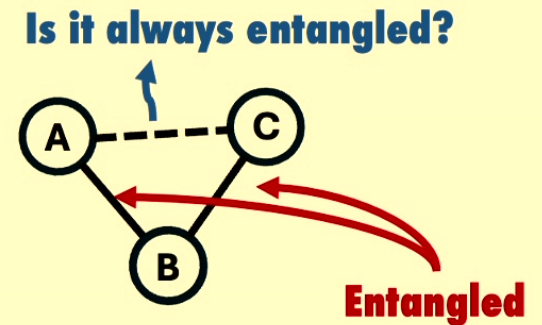
Numerical results suggests that **it is** for three-body **pure** states with $d_A = d_B = d_C$



Generic Entanglement Transitivity: Proof

1 A generic pure state ABC is uniquely determined by AB and BC

2 The reduced state AC of a generic pure state is almost surely entangled

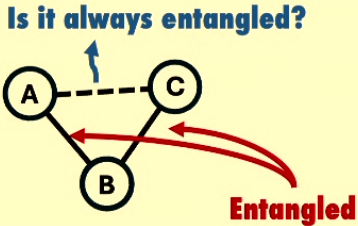


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$$\begin{aligned} |\psi\rangle_{ABC} &\longrightarrow \rho_{AB}, \rho_{BC}, \rho_{AC} \\ \sigma_{ABC} &\longrightarrow \rho_{AB}, \rho_{BC}, \sigma_{AC} \end{aligned}$$



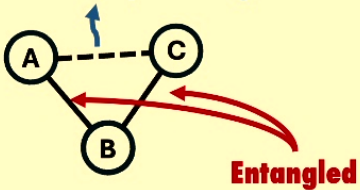
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Is it always entangled?



$$d_B \geq \min\{d_A, d_C\}$$

Phys. Rev. A 88, 012109 (2013)

$$d_B \geq 2, d_A = d_C$$

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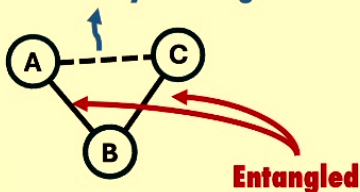
Generic Entanglement Transitivity: Proof

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The reduced state **AC** is almost surely entangled

- Sufficient condition: $d_B \leq (d_A - 1)(d_C - 1)$
- The reduced state **AC** of a generic pure state is supported on a **completely entangled subspace**.

Is it always entangled?

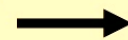


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Generic Entanglement Transitivity: Result

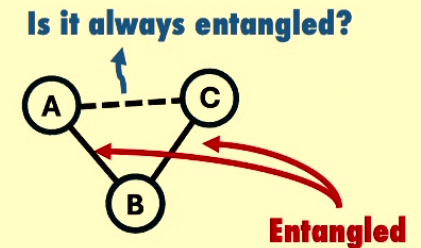
1 A generic pure state **ABC** is uniquely determined by **AB** and **BC** if... $d_B \geq \min\{d_A, d_C\}$ or $d_B \geq 2, d_A = d_C$

2 The reduced state **AC** of a generic pure state is almost surely entangled if... $d_B \leq (d_A - 1)(d_C - 1)$



AB and **BC** almost surely exhibit entanglement transitivity

Entanglement transitivity is **generic** in any tripartite **closed** system with equal finite local dimensions.



■ Multipartite Entanglement Transitivity

$\lfloor \frac{N}{2} \rfloor$ of the m -body reduced states $m \geq \lfloor \frac{N}{2} \rfloor + 1$

of a generic N -body pure state with equal finite local dimensions exhibit entanglement transitivity

4 qudits:

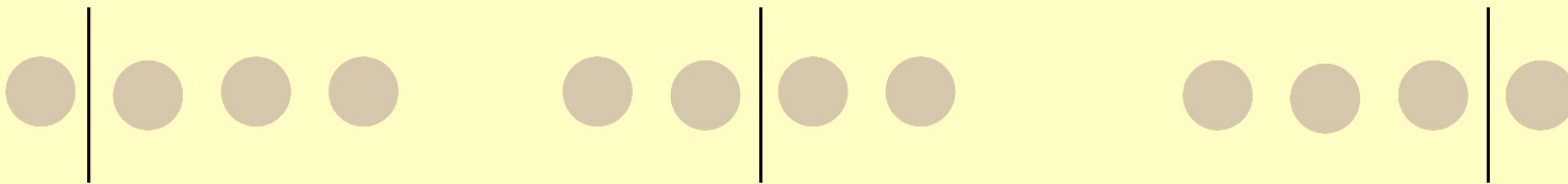
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Generic multipartite entanglement

Reduced states ρ_{AC} of Haar-random pure states are entangled if they are **large enough**. $d_B \leq (d_A - 1)(d_C - 1)$

$$d_A = k \quad d_C = m - k$$

m-body reduced states of a generic **N-body** pure state are entangled with respect to every bipartition if $m \geq \lceil \frac{N}{2} \rceil + 1$



Generic Entanglement

High-dimensional Haar-random pure states $|\psi\rangle_{AB} \in \mathbb{C}^d \otimes \mathbb{C}^d$ are close to being **maximally entangled**.

Aspects of Generic Entanglement, Commun. Math. Phys. 265, 95 (2006)

$$\Pr\{S(\rho_A) \leq \log_2 d - K\} < 4^{-d}$$

$$\rho_A = \text{tr}_B |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|_{AB}$$

Generic Entanglement

Reduced states ρ_{AC} of Haar-random pure states $|\psi\rangle_{ABC}$ are

- close to being separable if they are **small enough**

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$$\Pr\{\rho_{AC} \text{ is separable}\} \geq 1 - 2 \exp(-cd_B) \quad \text{if} \quad d_B \geq f(d)$$

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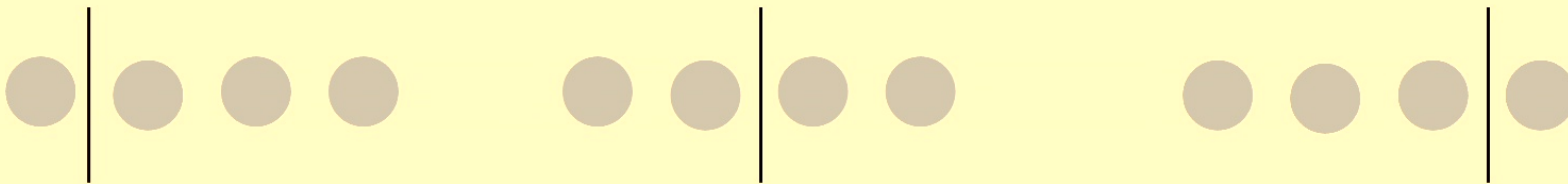
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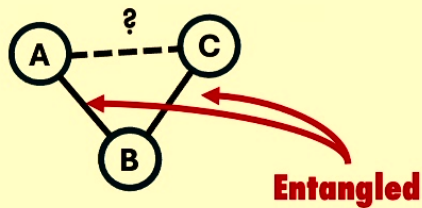
Take-home Messages

Entanglement can be **transitive**, and the phenomenon is even **generic**.

Entanglement transitivity is **generic** in any tripartite **closed** system with equal finite local dimension !

Large parts are generically entangled with respect to any bipartition.

Thank You



Entanglement Transitivity Problems
[Npj Quantum Inf 8, 98 \(2022\)](#)

Resource Marginal Problems
[Quantum 8, 1353 \(2024\)](#)

Nonlocality of Quantum States can be Transitive
[arXiv:2412.10505](#)

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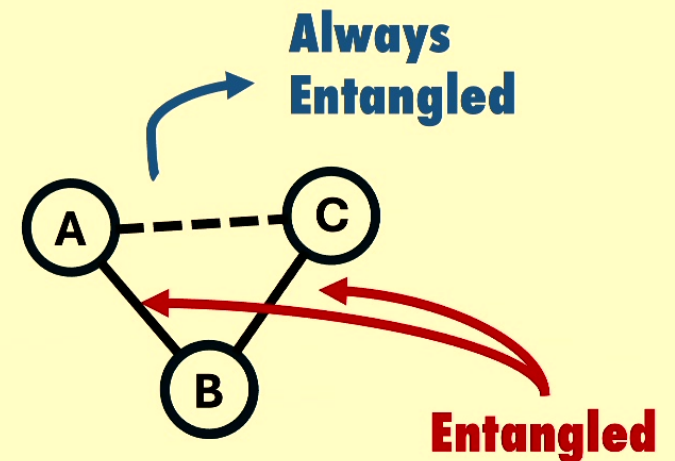
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