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Abstract:

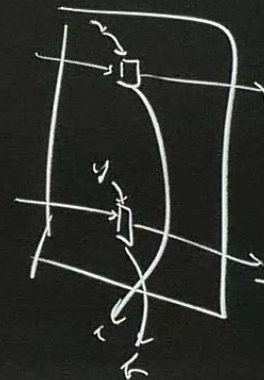
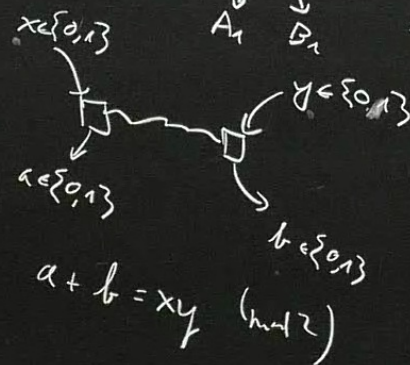
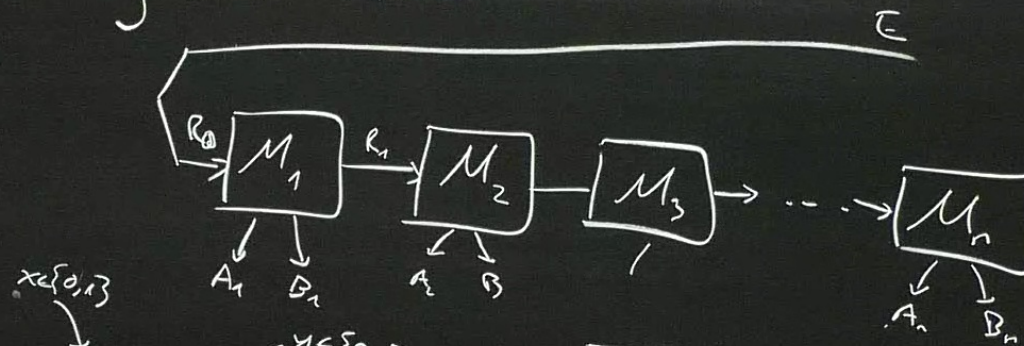
The entropy accumulation theorem (EAT) allows us to lower bound the min-entropy of a state that can be generated by a chain of quantum channels satisfying a Markov chain condition, and can be used to prove the security of QKD protocols, including device-independent ones. However, one of its drawbacks is that it only applies to states with a fairly rigid structure; in particular, the Markov chain condition must be satisfied exactly. What happens when we relax this assumption by allowing the required structure to be satisfied only approximately? Does doing so lead to interesting applications? We answer both questions by the affirmative: we present two flavours of approximate EAT, and show that it can be used to prove the security of parallel device-independent QKD, and to analyze QKD protocols under source correlations. Along the way, we will introduce the concept of "approximation chain" which underpins the new results.

This is joint work with Ashutosh Marwah; the talk will cover material from 2412.06723, 2402.12346, and 2308.11736.

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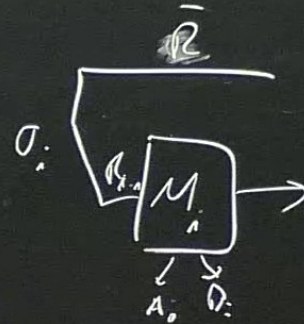
$$H(A_1^n / B_1^n | E) \geq nh - d(n)$$

$$p_{XB}: H_{\min}(X|B)_p := -\log P_A[\text{guessing } X \text{ by measuring } B].$$

$$p_{AO}: D_{\max}(\rho || \sigma) = \inf \{ \lambda \in \mathbb{R} / \rho \leq 2^\lambda \sigma \}.$$

$$H_{\min}(A|B)_p = -\inf_{\sigma_B} D_{\max}(\rho_{AB} || \mathbb{1}_A \otimes \sigma_B)$$

$$H_{\min}^\epsilon(A|B)_p = \max_{\sigma: P(\rho, \sigma) \leq \epsilon} H_{\min}(A|B)_\sigma$$



$$\text{EAT: } H_{\min}^\epsilon(A_1^n | B_1^n E)_p \geq \sum_{\sigma_i} \min_{\sigma_i} H(A_i | B_i \bar{R})_{\mathcal{M}_i(\sigma_i)} - O(\sqrt{n}).$$

with $A_1^n \leftrightarrow B_1^n E \leftrightarrow B_1^n$

① Relax the EAT to channels that approximate satisfy Markov:

$$\exists N_i \quad \frac{1}{2} \|M_i - N_i\|_0 \leq \varepsilon, \quad M_i \circ N_{i-1} \circ \dots \circ N_1 \text{ satisfies Markov.}$$

$$\Rightarrow H_{\min}^{(\varepsilon)}(A_1^n | B_1^n E)_\rho \geq \sum_{\sigma} \inf_{\sigma} H(A_i | B_i \bar{R})_{N_i(\sigma)} - O(\sqrt{n}).$$

$\hookrightarrow \sim \varepsilon^{1/24}$

② Spm we have a state $\rho_{A_1^n B_1^n E}$ s.t. $\exists \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{channel } M_i \\ \text{states } \tilde{\rho}^{(i)} \end{array} \right.$

$$\text{s.t. } \forall i: \frac{1}{2} \left\| \rho_{A_1^n B_1^n E} - M_i \left(\tilde{\rho}_{A_1^{i-1} B_1^{i-1} R_{i-1} E}^{(i)} \right) \right\|_1 \leq \varepsilon.$$

$$\Rightarrow H_{\min}^{(\varepsilon)}(A_1^n | B_1^n E) \geq \sum_{\sigma} \inf_{\sigma} H(A_i | B_i \bar{R})_{M_i(\sigma)} - O(\sqrt{n}).$$

Approximation chain: $\rho_{A_1^n B_1^n E}$, $\sigma_{A_i B_i E}^{(i)}$ is an upper chain for ρ 's.

$\forall i: \|\rho_{A_i B_i E} - \sigma_{A_i B_i E}^{(i)}\|_1 \leq \varepsilon$. & satisfies Markov:

$$H(A_1^n | B_1^n E)_\rho = \sum_i H(A_i | A_1^{i-1} B_1^n E)_\rho$$

$$\leq \sum_i H(A_i | A_1^{i-1} B_i^n E)_\rho$$

$$\geq \sum_i \left(H(A_i | A_1^{i-1} B_i^n E)_{\sigma^{(i)}} - \delta(\varepsilon) \right)$$

Entropic triangle inequality:

$$H_{\min}^{S_1, S_2}(A|B)_\rho \geq \underbrace{H_\alpha(A|B)_\eta}_{\alpha \in \mathbb{R},} - \frac{\alpha}{\alpha-1} D_{\max}^{S_2}(\rho || \eta) - \frac{g(S_1, S_2)}{\alpha-1}$$

$\alpha > 1$	$\sim H_{\min}$
$\alpha = 1$	$\sim H$
$\alpha < 1$	$\sim H_{\max}$

$$H_{\min}(A|B)_p \leq \frac{1}{\alpha} H(A|B)_\eta \quad \alpha > 1 \quad \max(p||\eta) = \frac{1}{\alpha-1}$$

$$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \begin{array}{ll} \alpha > 1 & \sim H_{\min} \\ \alpha = 1 & \sim H \\ \alpha < 1 & \sim H_{\max} \end{array}$$

$$H_{\min}^{S_1+S_2}(A_n^n|B_n^n|E)_p \geq \underbrace{H_\alpha(A_n^n|B_n^n|E)_\eta}_{\text{EAT}} - \frac{\alpha}{\alpha-1} \underbrace{D_{\max}^{S_2}(p||\eta)}_{\text{max}} - \frac{g(S_1, S_2)}{\alpha-1}$$

$$\text{Substitute then: } D_{\max}^{S_2}(p||\eta) \leq \frac{D_{\min}^{S_2}(p||\eta) + 1}{S_2^2} + \log \frac{1}{1-S_2^2}$$

Application to parallel DQKD

Sequential: $w(G)^n$

$w(G)^{\Theta(n)}$

Parallel:

$$w(G^n) = P_n \left[\bigwedge_{i=1}^n W_i \right] = \prod_{i=1}^n P_n \left[W_i \mid \bigwedge_{j=1}^{i-1} W_j \right]$$

Reg: Find a set $C \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$ st. $|C| \in \Theta(n)$
 such that $\{i_1, \dots, i_m\}$ win in game

Quantum: Bly

$$w(G^n) \leq P_n \left[\bigwedge_{j \in C} W_j \right] = \prod_{j=1}^m P_n \left[W_{i_j} \mid \bigwedge_{k=1}^{j-1} W_{i_k} \right] \leq \prod_{j=1}^m P_n [W_{i_j}] \leq w(G)^m$$