

# All Pure Bipartite Entangled States can be Self-Tested

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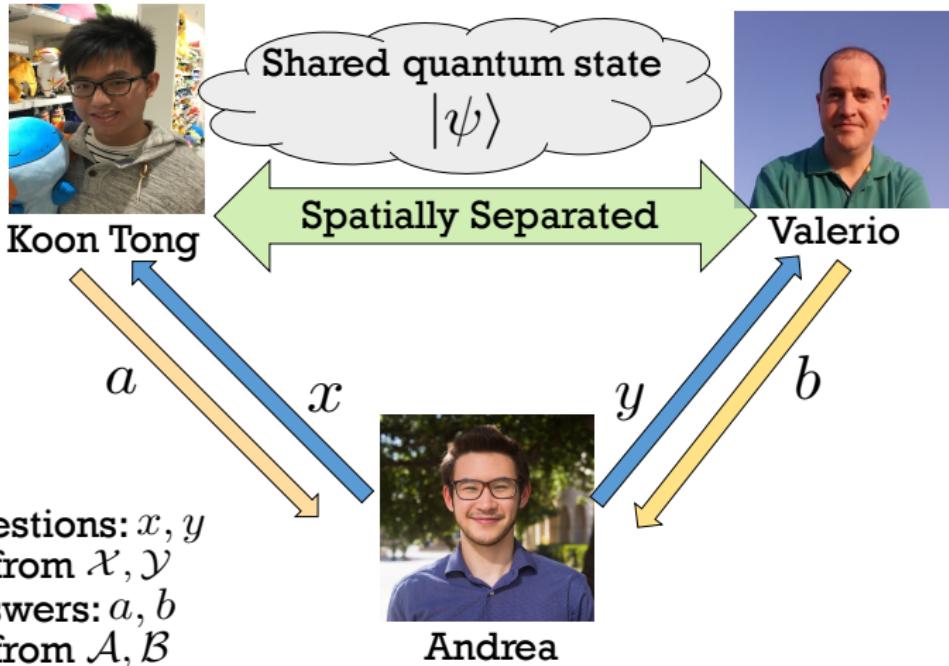
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# Outline

- Background
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- Self-testing correlations
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- Let  $\mathcal{C}_q^{m, n, r, s}$  be the set of quantum correlations, where  $\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  have sizes  $m, n, r, s$  respectively.

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## Definition: (self-testing, informal)

We say that a correlation *self-tests* a state  $|\psi\rangle_{\text{target}}$  if it can be uniquely achieved when Alice and Bob make local measurements on  $|\psi\rangle_{\text{target}}$ , up to local isometries.

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The correlation in the quantum correlations set  $\mathcal{C}_q^{2,2,2,2}$  that achieves this maximal violation self-tests the maximally entangled pair of qubits<sup>1</sup>.

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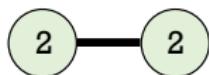
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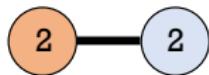
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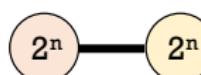
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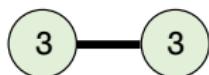
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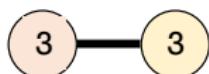
All pure Partially  
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Maximally Entangled  
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[Salavrakos et al. 2016]



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It seems like a lot of states  
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... but can we self-test  
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- Maximal violation also self-tests the measurements (with the same robustness):

$$\begin{aligned} A_0 &= Z, & B_0 &= \cos \mu Z + \sin \mu X, \\ A_1 &= X, & B_1 &= \cos \mu Z - \sin \mu X \end{aligned}$$

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- For example, the ideal tilted CHSH correlation for angle  $\theta$  is specified by four tables, one for each  $(x, y) \in \{0, 1\}^2$ , of the form

$p_\theta(1, 1 x, y)$	$p_\theta(1, -1 x, y)$
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For  $x, y \in \{0, 1\}$  we use Alice and Bob's  $\{0, 1\}$  answers to certify the portion  $c_0 |00\rangle + c_1 |11\rangle$ , and their  $\{2, 3\}$  answers to certify  $c_2 |22\rangle + c_3 |33\rangle$ .

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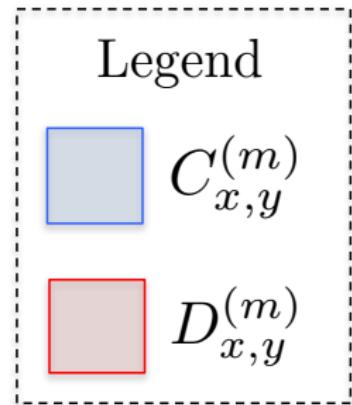
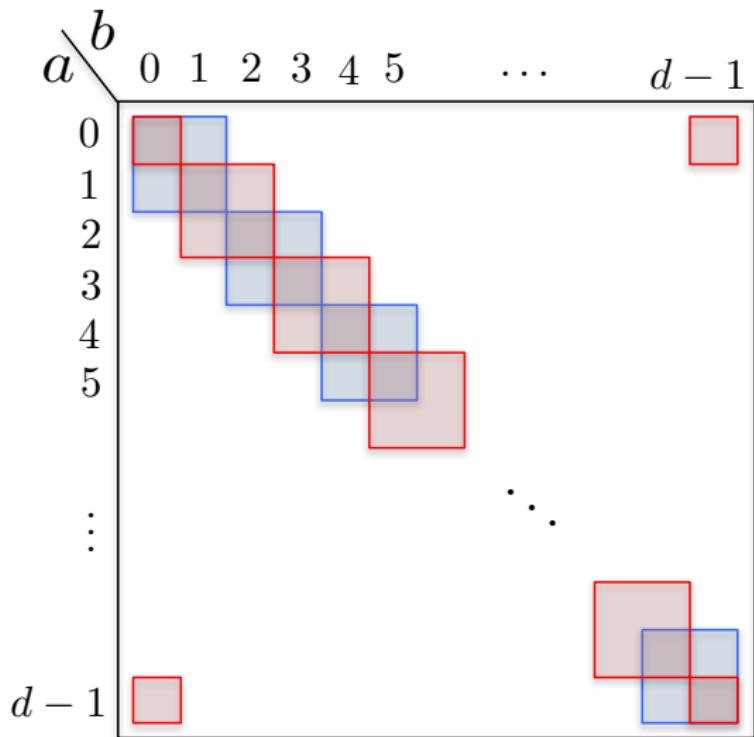
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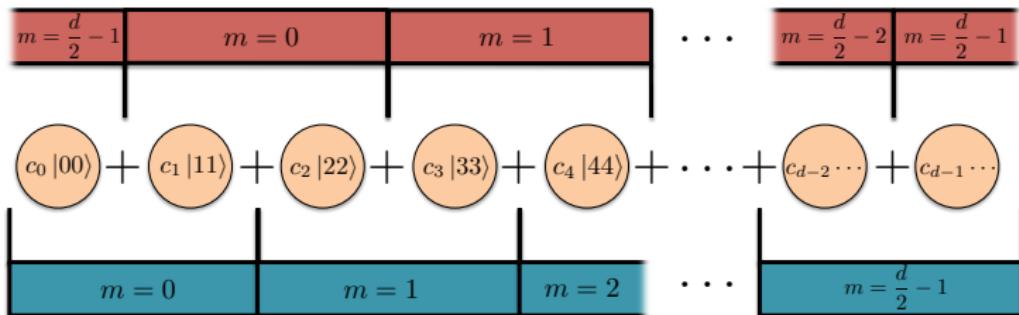
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