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ABSTRACT

Two projects were completed as part of this Masters thesis

Quantum Networks and Local Hidden Variable Neural Networks: This is my own journey through this domain, understanding and exploring the various intricacies that quantum networks give rise to that are disjoint from an origin in Standard Bell Nonlocality. This is also where I realised that combining Analytical methods and Machine Learning models holistically help us view and study these systems through lenses of greater depth of understanding. An abstract of this provided in the preface of this report.

The Best measurement setting and Quantum resources for witnessing Nonlocality without inputs in the Triangle Quantum Network: The research carried out as part of the thesis on Quantum Networks lead to my own contribution in this domain. This was an exciting experience to learn and apply my experience in Quantum Information theory and Machine Learning. Here is an abstract of the part of this masters thesis which is currently in works of being published (check here).

Nonlocal correlations lie at the core of quantum foundations, and distributions displaying them are of great importance in applications of information processing. Unlike quantum systems with a convex local boundary, the nonlocality without inputs in networks is of particular interest as it deviates from the standard bell inequality violation criteria. Nonlocality being a correlation that can't be reproduced by a classical structure, machine learning with classical sources was later introduced as a counter test for the same. These works were particular to bell states, we are expanding on this work with X states. Consequently, we have observed the measurement choices for X states with two-parameter entangled bell state measurements, which can be almost confidently extrapolated to all two qubit quantum sources capable of showing nonlocal correlations. Then we further categorized the states showing higher nonlocal correlations and their respective measurement range. We backed up our results with noise robustness of these nonlocal distributions and their further analyses. We also came across and further explored whether a triangle network can produce nonlocal correlation with just entangled measurements on classically correlated states. Exploring this new domain of nonlocality will give us glimpses into the defining principles of quantum nonlocality and its wide applications.

Preface

Here we provide an preface of the review part of this masters thesis on Quantum Networks. This is commendatory to the abstract on my original contribution on the best measurements scenario for Quantum Triangle Networks. This primarily consists of a review of the different Quantum Triangle Network distributions including the Renou et al[1] distribution which I focused on for my second work. We also focus on the the quantum resources and the topology of the Quantum Networks and how it brings in different characteristics into the picture.

The study of quantum correlations is pivotal in understanding quantum nature both in foundational aspects of quantum theory and in advancing quantum information technologies. Originating from Bell's seminal work [2], with subsequent research leading to the theory of Bell nonlocality has been a cornerstone in this field. In the context of Bell scenarios, parties share classical or quantum sources, which upon measurement give rise to correlations classified as local or non-local, respectively. Investigating multipartite domains has further elucidated these correlations, particularly in network configurations where conventional Bell scenarios can be represented as elementary manifestations. Unlike standard setups, networks entail distant observers doing joint separable and entangled measurements sharing entanglement sourced from multiple, independent entities. Through these joint measurements on entangled states, observers establish strong correlations across the network, opening up novel questions and revealing new properties. Notably, such networks fundamentally can't be explained by locally causal models, inspired from this local hidden variable machine learning models can be used to learn and to discern quantum from classical correlations. These interdisciplinary approaches using both analytical and machine learning techniques has led to significant insights, including the discovery of novel quantum correlations within network structures [3]. Furthermore, employing classical machine learning to comprehend quantum phenomena sheds light on foundational aspects of quantum theory and information science. Understanding how classical machines learn about quantum structures is of paramount interest, offering avenues for uncovering new quantum phenomena and designing improved methodologies for their exploration. This underscores the pivotal role of machine learning, both classical and quantum, in deciphering the intricacies of quantum systems, akin to its efficacy in addressing classical problems.

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1 Introduction

Structure of this thesis

The project will first introduce the concept of nonlocality for the bipartite case that can be witnessed using the bell theorem, then move on to the more complex decentralized network structures, in which several independent sources are shared among the parties over a network. We then describe the quantum distributions that networks can give rise to, including the renou et. al[1]. distribution that show nonlocality without inputs. These novel distributions arise due to the special entangled measurement play in Quantum networks; like the correlated sources the measurements are also important resources in networks. Hence, it can be seen throughout the report that these measurements are emphasized. Then we touch upon why it is important to use machine learning for distinguishing nonlocal states from local ones and get started on how we can attempt to solve this problem using neural networks. Here, we also point out how and why we understand these quantum systems using machines, why this work and many other works seed the aspiration in building quantum machines capable of understanding the mysteries of our universe.

We then elaborate on the methods part detailing how we can use LHV Neural Network Models in learning and classifying local and nonlocal distributions. We then generalize the study to X states and analyse the results. Based on the generalized cases we sampled across its safe to extrapolate our results on the measurement settings to any two qubit state capable of showing high nonlocal correlations. We also classified the quantum states capable of doing the same and confirmed it by further analyses. Apart from the results section we also came across an interesting ordeal or perhaps an interesting question on whether a triangle network can produce nonlocal correlation with just entangled measurements on classically correlated states, we further explored this and our current work encompasses concluding this, which is further discussed in the future directions and concluding remarks.

1.1 Standard Bell Nonlocality

“Bell’s theorem is the most profound discovery of science” – Henry Stapp. This is because it showed that the prediction of quantum theory is inconsistent with physical theories with a natural notion of locality; thus undermining our centuries-old understanding of physical reality.

We can understand this through an experiment² consisting of two systems that may have previously interacted(maybe produced by a common source) and then spatially separated(even space-like) by two agents Alice and Bob for measurement. Before getting separated, a referee gives Alice and Bob a random bit x, y each of which decides the measurement outcome of Alice and Bob’s different measurement options. After the measurement, the outcomes are a and b . And on repeating this, we get a probability distribution $p(ab|xy)$.

Doing this practically shows that

$$p(ab|xy) \neq p(a|x)p(b|y) \quad (1)$$

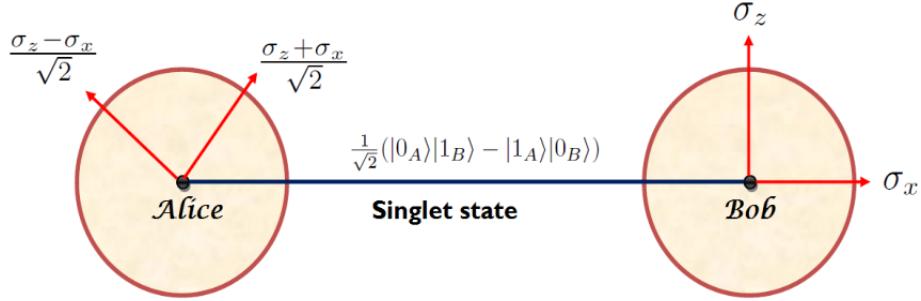


Figure 1: Alice's and Bob's measurement choice

this means correlations are present, which may not necessarily be a direct influence of one on the other but could be due to some dependence relation between the 2 systems that were established when they interacted in the past.

So if we include all the past factors the residual indeterminacies about the output should be decoupled^[3].

$$p(ab|xy) = \int_{\lambda} d\lambda q(\lambda)p(a|x, \lambda)p(b|y, \lambda) \quad (2)$$

All classical systems being local theories will obey the above equation, as long as we consider all hidden variables, if any. Assuming that Quantum mechanics is also a local theory it should do the same. But in 1964 Bell came with an astounding theorem that undermined this assumption. The thought experiment he devised gave us an inequality, which when violated implies nonlocal behavior, and it has been found that quantum states, for certain measurements, violate this inequality and show nonlocal behavior.

In the experiment, we set the measurement choices $x, y \in \{0, 1\}$ and the measurement outcomes $a, b \in \{-1, 1\}$ respectively, and Alice and Bob cannot communicate with each other.

We can then define an expression

$$\begin{aligned} |S| &= |a_0b_0 + a_1b_0 + a_0b_1 - a_1b_1| \\ |\langle S \rangle| &= |\langle a_0b_0 \rangle + \langle a_0b_1 \rangle + \langle a_1b_0 \rangle + \langle a_1b_1 \rangle| \leq 2, \text{ where } \langle a_xb_y \rangle = \sum_{a,b} ab p(ab|xy) \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

which will be ≤ 2 if it satisfies (2)

This is the CHSH version of the Bell's No-go theorem, for any theory satisfying the condition of local realism we have $|\langle S \rangle| \leq 2$.

Quantum violation of Bell's inequality:

Here Alice and Bob can share some bipartite state

$$\rho_{AB} = |\psi^-\rangle_{AB}\langle\psi^-| \in D(C^2 \otimes C^2); |\psi^-\rangle_{AB} := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle_{AB} - |10\rangle_{AB})$$

where the CHSH quantity is

$$|\langle S \rangle| = |\langle a_0b_0 \rangle + \langle a_0b_1 \rangle + \langle a_1b_0 \rangle + \langle a_1b_1 \rangle|$$

where now $\langle a_x b_y \rangle = -\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y}$

and for this measurement setting in this bipartite state, we get $|\langle S \rangle| = 2\sqrt{2} > 2$ which means the correlations present in the quantum state are nonlocal in nature.

1.2 Nonlocality in Quantum Networks

Recently, growing interest has been devoted to the exploration of quantum nonlocality in networks. A general framework has been developed for this problem. Consider a network with several parties, and N sources distributing physical (classical or quantum) systems to various subsets of parties. The main idea consists in assuming that all the sources of the network are independent from each other. This allows for the notion of N locality, which can be seen as a natural extension of the concept of Bell locality to networks with independent sources. Correlations that do not admit an N -local model are termed "network nonlocal." Importantly, whether a given distribution is network nonlocal or not depends on its quantum resources including entangled measurements and the topology of the considered network. In particular, for certain networks there are correlations that are provably network nonlocal, while the same correlation would be local when considering the usual Bell scenario.

Bilocality Network

Quantum theory allows for correlations in networks that are network nonlocal. The first examples of "quantum network nonlocality" have been derived for the scenario of entanglement swapping, referred to as "bilocality".

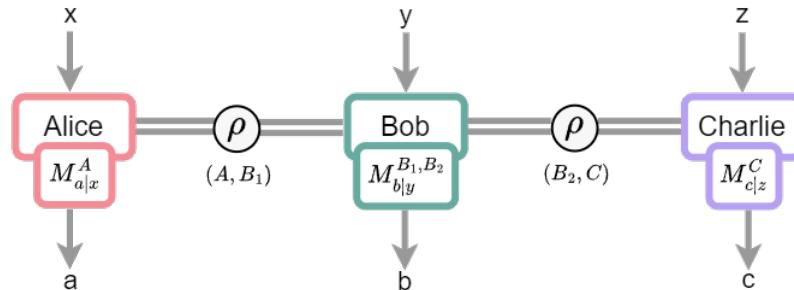


Figure 2: Bilocality Network: Entanglement Swapping

In turn, a more astonishing effect was discovered, namely, that quantum network nonlocality can be demonstrated without the need for measurement inputs, i.e., each party performs a single fixed measurement. This would of course be impossible in the standard Bell scenario, and hence appears at first sight as a novel form of quantum nonlocality proper to networks. A first example of such "quantum nonlocality without inputs" was proposed by Fritz, for the so called triangle network, it features three parties, each pair of them connected by a different source. After inspection, it turns out, however, that Fritz's example can be viewed as a clever mapping of the standard Bell Clauser-Horne-Shimony-Holt (CHSH) scenario into the triangle network configuration.

Triangle Network

A second example was more recently proposed by Renou et al, also for the triangle network. The authors argued, however, that their example is fundamentally different from that of Fritz and could represent a form a form of quantum nonlocality genuine to networks, i.e., that cannot be mapped back to any standard Bell scenario. This conjecture relies on the observation that their quantum distribution was based on all three sources producing an entangled state, and all parties performing an entangled measurement on their incoming subsystems. That is quantum nonlocality can be demonstrated using only the joint statistics of fixed local measurement outputs without the need of various input settings like in the case of the standard Bell nonlocality.

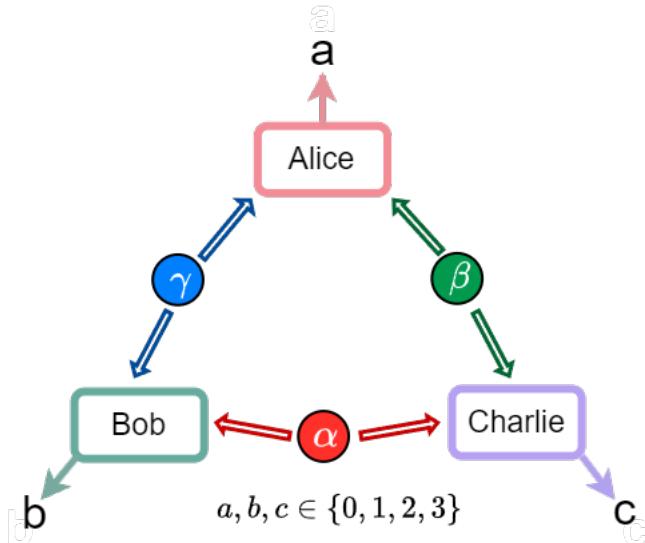


Figure 3: Local and Nonlocal domain

Here we consider the triangle quantum network which consists of three agents or observers(Alice, Bob and Charlie) and every pair of agents is connected by a bipartite qubit source; thus providing a shared physical system. Importantly, the three observers share no common (i.e. tripartite) piece of information, as the three sources are assumed to be independent of each other. Each observer provides an output based on the received physical resources (a , b and c , respectively). Contrary to standard Bell nonlocality tests, the observers receive no input for which measurement setting to use. The statistics of the experiment are thus given by the joint probability distribution $P(a, b, c)$.

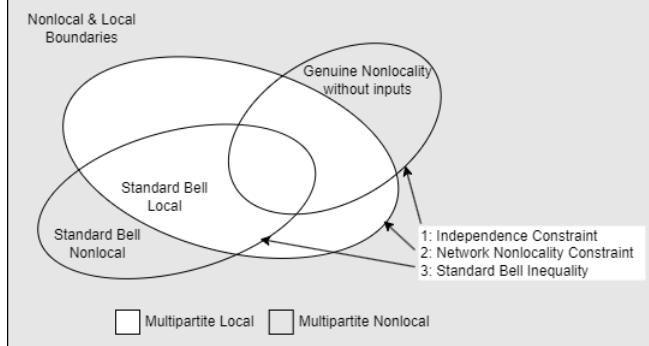


Figure 4: Local and Nonlocal domain

The family of quantum distributions $P_Q(a, b, c)$ is constructed using both entangled quantum states and entangled joint measurements. Take note that entangled measurements are different from the kind of measurements that we used in the Standard Bell Nonlocality. The entangled measurements done by agents A, B or C acts on the two shared qubits of two separate bipartite qubit sources. The sources giving entangled qubit states as well as the act of measuring two bipartite sources by one of the agents using entanglement measurements is responsible for the nonlocal behavior. These distributions are nonlocal if they cannot be represented by

$$P_Q(a, b, c) = \int d\alpha \int d\beta \int d\gamma P_A(a|\beta, \gamma) P_B(b|\gamma, \alpha) P_C(c|\alpha, \beta) \quad (4)$$

where $\alpha \in X$, $\beta \in Y$ and $\gamma \in Z$ are three local variables distributed by each source.

$P_A(a|\beta, \gamma)$, $P_B(b|\gamma, \alpha)$ and $P_C(c|\alpha, \beta)$ are the response functions for Alice, Bob, and Charlie.

Here we don't have a convenient method such as Bell inequalities to classify states as nonlocal or local, since in complex and higher dimensional cases like these the boundary between nonlocal and local spaces are non-convex, it is difficult to find something like the Bell inequality. Analytical proof for the existence of nonlocal behavior already exists, Renou [1] had proven that there are indeed states that exhibit nonlocality by using logical contradiction. The necessary properties that any trilocal model should have to reproduce $P_Q(a, b, c)$ were found unable to be satisfied simultaneously. This shows the distribution has some intrinsic randomness since it showed nonlocal behavior without relying on random measurement choices. The disadvantage of this distribution is that it assumes all the sources as the same and independent; experimentally keeping the three sources independent can be demanding.

These examples fundamentally differ from the standard bell case and its triangle adaptation done by Fritz [4].

1.3 Machine learning

The rise of machine learning in recent times has remarkably transformed science and society. The goal of machine learning is to get computers to act without being explicitly programmed.

Some of the typical applications of machine learning are self-driving cars, efficient web search, improved speech recognition, enhanced understanding of the human genome and online fraud detection. This viral spread in interest has exploded to various areas of science and engineering, in part due to the hope that artificial intelligence may supplement human intelligence to understand some of the deep problems in science.

In recent years, techniques from machine learning have been used to solve some of the analytically/numerically complex problems in quantum foundations. In particular, the methods from reinforcement learning and supervised learning have been used for determination of the maximum quantum violation of various Bell inequalities, the classification of experimental statistics in local/nonlocal sets, training AI for playing Bell nonlocal games, using hidden neurons as hidden variables for completion of quantum theory, machine learning-assisted state classification, and so forth.

The characterization of the local set for the convex scenario via Bell inequalities becomes intractable as the complexity of the underlying scenario grows (in terms of the number of parties, measurement settings and outcomes). For networks where several independent sources are shared among many parties, the situation gets increasingly worse. The local set is remarkably non-convex, and hence proper analytical and numerical characterization, in general, is lacking. Applying machine learning technique to tackle these issues were studied by Canabarro et al. and Krivachy et al. In the work by Canabarro et al., the detection and characterization of nonlocality is done through an ensemble of multilayer perceptrons blended with genetic algorithms.

In these scenarios, it has been shown[5] that using machine learning as a numerical tool to learn the classical strategies required to reproduce a distribution and using the trained model as a classifier works. As such, a neural network acts as the oracle for the observed behavior, demonstrating that it is classical if it can be learned through training the neural network. We will be using this method of Locally Hidden Variable Neural Network Models for our study.

The existing research had focused on using Bell states as the quantum resource along with joint entangled measurements, we aim to generalize this to X states. We aim to find the best measurement settings and whether we can uncover some global symmetry or property from our study.

2 Methodology / Review of Studied Distributions

Here we are dealing with decentralized causal structures, where several independent sources are shared among the parties over a network. In such complex networks, the boundary between local and nonlocal correlations becomes nonlinear, and the local set is non-convex. Here like the work by Renou[1] we can encode the causal structure into a neural network and train the network to reproduce the target distribution; this shows if the "local causal model is learnable". And so if the Neural network can learn and reproduce the target distribution it is local.

If the target distribution is outside the local set then the machine cannot reproduce it, this is because we haven't included a definite structure to recreate nonlocal correlations i.e. the neural network model is a classical structure incapable of reproducing quantum properties. So in the case of nonlocal target distributions, the Neural network approximates to the closest local distribution as per the local constraint(4).

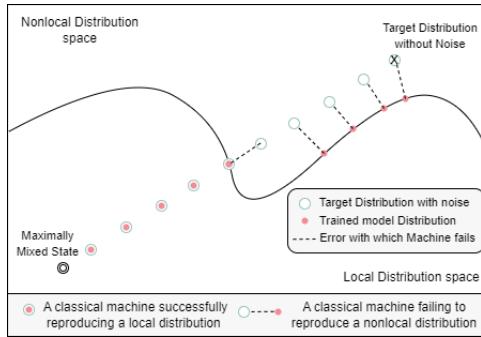


Figure 5: Local and Nonlocal domain

To have a quantitative study on this we incorporate noise into the distribution. Adding sufficient noise to a nonlocal distribution brings it to the local set. So the methodology used by [5], was to start from zero visibility(max noise parameter) of the target distribution and gradually increase the visibility and as it leaves the local set we get an idea of the value of the visibility when it touches the boundary of local and nonlocal spaces. Adding noise also gives us a control over the behavior of nonlocality in this situation.

The structure consists of three sources α, β , and γ which send information through either a classical or quantum channel to three parties A B and C.

We now convert the experiment that had three bipartite qubit sources α, β , and γ to three numerical sources that act as inputs for our machine model. Since we had three independent sources we are taking three independent values from a uniform distribution between 0 and 1.

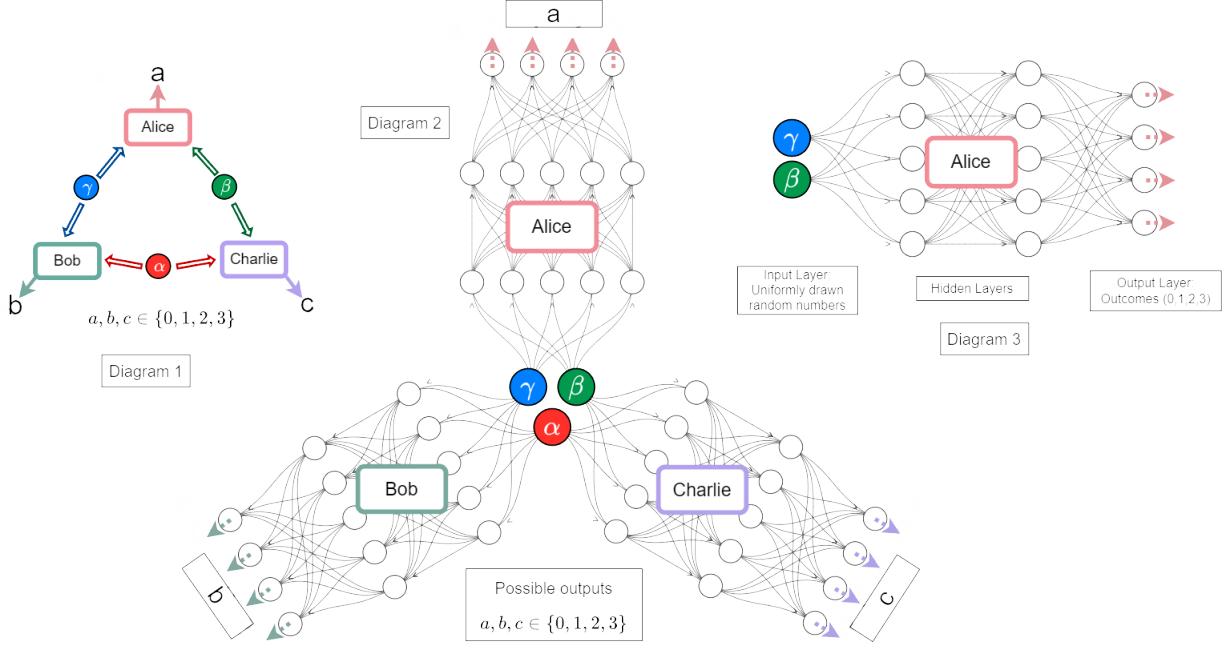


Figure 6: Local and Nonlocal domain

Each party's response function is represented by a constraint-connected multilayer perceptron with rectified linear or tangent hyperbolic activations and softmax layer at the last layer to ensure the probabilities are normalized. As we said, inputs to the three perceptrons - hidden variables n_1 for α , n_2 for β , and n_3 for γ are random variables drawn from a uniform distribution on the continuous interval between 0 and 1.

No	n_1	n_2	n_3	$p(a n_2, n_3)$	$p(b n_1, n_3)$	$p(c n_1, n_2)$	$p(a,b,c)$
1	0.9679	0.9684	0.4667
2	0.6387	0.0864	0.7723
3	0.3483	0.0116	0.7508
:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
1000	0.0575	0.1282	0.9497

Due to the communication constraints of the triangle network, the inputs are routed to the perceptron in a restricted manner. The network constraint being

$$P_Q(a, b, c) = \int dn_1 \int dn_2 \int dn_3 P_A(a|n_2, n_3) P_B(b|n_1, n_3) P_C(c|n_1, n_2)$$

adapted from the locality constraint of the quantum triangle network

$$P_Q(a, b, c) = \int d\alpha \int d\beta \int d\gamma P_A(a|\beta, \gamma) P_B(b|\gamma, \alpha) P_C(c|\alpha, \beta)$$

We are constructing a Neural network that is able to approximate the distribution based on this form. Contrary to Bell's scenario we don't need to decide the measurements using

an input parameter(the role of the Referee is not necessary here for nonlocality) A, B and C process their inputs with arbitrarily local response functions, and they each output a number out of four possible outcomes $a, b, c \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$. Since what we have is one possible outcome out of four, the outputs of the perceptrons are conditional probabilities $P_A(a|n_2, n_3)$, $P_B(b|n_1, n_3)$ and $P_C(c|n_1, n_2)$ for a given input n_1, n_2 and n_3 i.e.three normalized vectors each of length 4.

We can analytically calculate the quantum distribution using the state we choose and the POVM measurement operators we choose to use. Since we have four choices for each of the three agents, we have the probability distribution $P(a, b, c)$ with 64 elements.

We can explicitly construct our quantum distribution $P_Q(a, b, c)$ by doing projective measurements on the state with the different measurement operators. Using this we can get an expression for the target probability distribution. We can take each source as the same entangled quantum state of two qubits. This helps in making the problem much more computationally tractable. Since we have the target distribution, we can now use the neural network to attempt to reproduce the target distribution, which results in the learned distribution.

After evaluating the Neural network for a batch of n_1, n_2 , and n_3 to approx the joint probability distribution $P(a, b, c)$ we use a Monte Carlo approximation, where we average over the product of probabilities over all the batches. We can get better results by increasing the number of batches.

$$P_M(a, b, c) = \frac{1}{N_{batch}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{batch}} P_A(a|\beta_i, \gamma_i) P_B(b|\gamma_i, \alpha_i) P_C(c|\alpha_i, \beta_i) \quad (5)$$

The loss function can be any differentiable measure of discrepancy between the target distribution P_t and the neural network's output P_m (the learned distribution) We can use the Kullback-Leibler divergence

$$L(P_m) = \sum_{a,b,c} P_t(a, b, c) \log\left(\frac{P_t(a, b, c)}{P_m(a, b, c)}\right) \quad (6)$$

Given a target distribution P_t the neural network trains and creates an explicit model for the distribution P_m which is closest to P_t . The learned distribution P_m is guaranteed to be from a local set by contradiction. If $P_t \approx P_m$ it's local and if not it's nonlocal.

There are 2 methods for analyzing the difference between the two distributions, we can vary the visibility from $v = 0$ to $v = 1$ i.e. decreasing the noise on a family of target distributions $P_t(v)$ by taking a distribution that is nonlocal and adding some noise controlled by the v parameter. So accordingly the $P_t(v = 0)$ will be a completely noisy(local) distribution and $P_t(v = 1)$ is the noiseless nonlocal distribution

By adding noise at some parameter of v^* we will enter the local set and stay in at $v < v^*$. We retrain the neural network for each noisy distribution and obtain a family of learned distributions $P_m(v)$. Observing a qualitative change at some point is an indication of traversing the local set's boundary. We can see this in the local response function of Alice, Bob, and Charlie.

$$d(P_t, P_m) = \sqrt{\sum_{a,b,c} [P_t(a, b, c) - P_m(a, b, c)]^2} \quad (7)$$

The other way is to find how far the learned distribution is from the target distribution

We can observe a clear lift-off at some point signaling that we are leaving the local set. We can also find the v^* and θ at which the learned distribution leaves the local set letting us have a quantitative study using some mild assumptions.

2.0.1 Fritz Distribution

We use the Fritz distribution[4] to benchmark the method we are using. Here the Bell scenario is wrapped in a triangle topology. Alice and Bob ρ_{AB} share a singlet, while Bob and Charlie ρ_{BC} and Alice and Charlie ρ_{AC} is either a maximally entangled or classically correlated state. Alice measures the ρ_{AC} in the computational basis, and based on that bit Alice then does a Pauli X or Z on ρ_{AB} . Bob does the same using Pauli $(X + Z)/\sqrt{2}$ and $(X - Z)/\sqrt{2}$ on ρ_{AB} . Both Alice and Bob give the measurement outcome and bit. Charlie measures both ρ_{AC} and ρ_{BC} in computational basis and gives 2 bits.

For the noise model, we can introduce finite visibility for the singlet shared between A and B, using the Werner state; where v is the visibility

$$\rho(v) = v|\psi^-\rangle\langle\psi^-| + (1-v)I/4 \quad (8)$$

for such a state we can see a clear lift off at $v^* = 1/\sqrt{2}$ and $\theta = 90^\circ$

Response functions don't change much after v^* . This is because the machine finds same distribution for the nonlocal distributions that lie outside the local set.

This is due to the special case of Bell nonlocality and Fritz[5] where the local set is a polytope. Figure 5 shows how it will behave.(6)

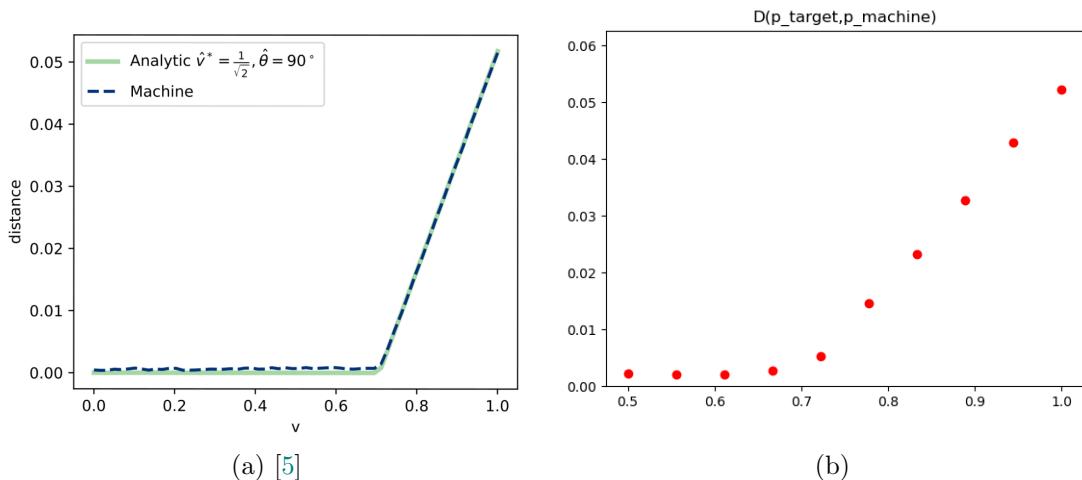


Figure 7: Plot of euclidean distance perceived by the machine, $d_M(v)$ and the analytic distance $\hat{d}(v)$ for $\hat{v}^* = 1/\sqrt{x}$ and $\theta = 90^\circ$

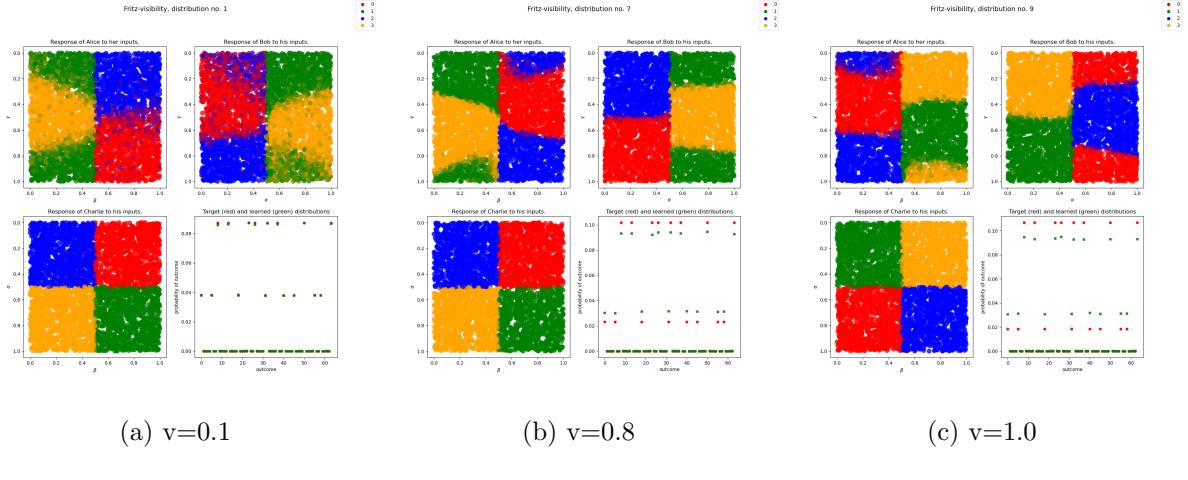


Figure 8: Visualization of response functions and distance between p_t & p_m for different noise parameters

2.0.2 Elegant Distribution

This distribution[6] is much closer to the triangle structure as it combines both entangled states and entangled measurements. We introduce visibility to singlet sources such that all three have the form $\rho(v) = v|\psi^-\rangle\langle\psi^-| + (1 - v)I/4$; where v is the visibility. Then for $v^* = 0.80$ and $\theta = 50^\circ$ we can see a clear lift off.

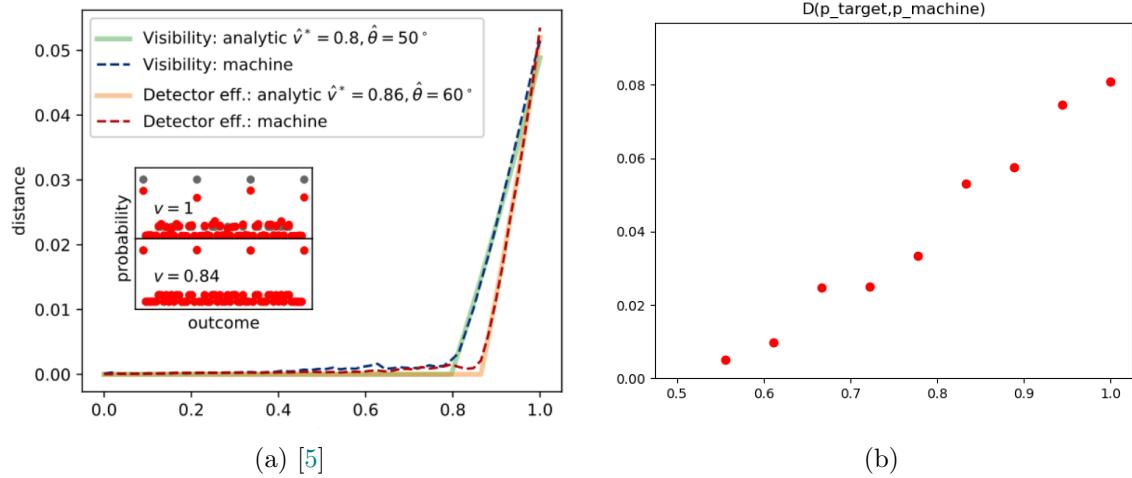


Figure 9: Plot of euclidean distance perceived by the machine, $d_M(v)$ and the analytic distance $\hat{d}(v)$

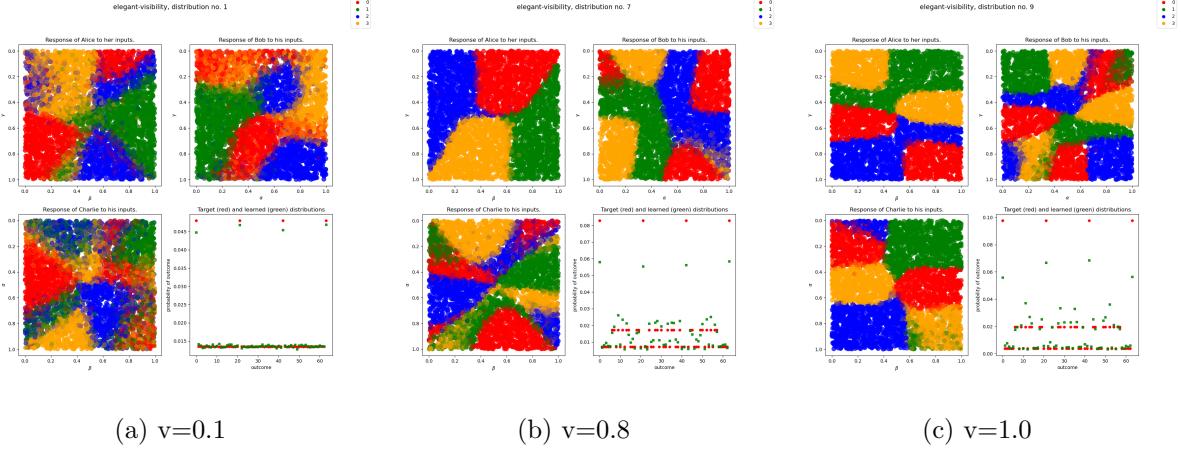


Figure 10: Visualization of response functions and distance between p_t & p_m for different noise parameters

2.0.3 Renou et al. distribution

To generate this distribution all three shared states are taken to be $|\psi^+\rangle$. Each party is performing the same measurement characterized by a single parameter $u \in [1/\sqrt{2}, 1]$ with eigenstates $|01\rangle, |10\rangle, u|00\rangle + \sqrt{1-u^2}|11\rangle, \sqrt{1-u^2}|00\rangle - u|11\rangle$

The authors[5] prove that the distribution is nonlocal $0.785 < u^2 < 1$ and that there exist local models for $u^2 \in 0.5, u_{max}^2, 1$

Looking at the noise robustness of distribution with $u^2 = 0.85$, which is approximately the most distant in the provenly nonlocal regime. We get to see clear lift off at visibility $v^* = 0.89$ & $\theta = 6^\circ$

But the estimates are cruder than those of elegant due to target distributions being closer to the local set and the neural network must be getting stuck in local optima.

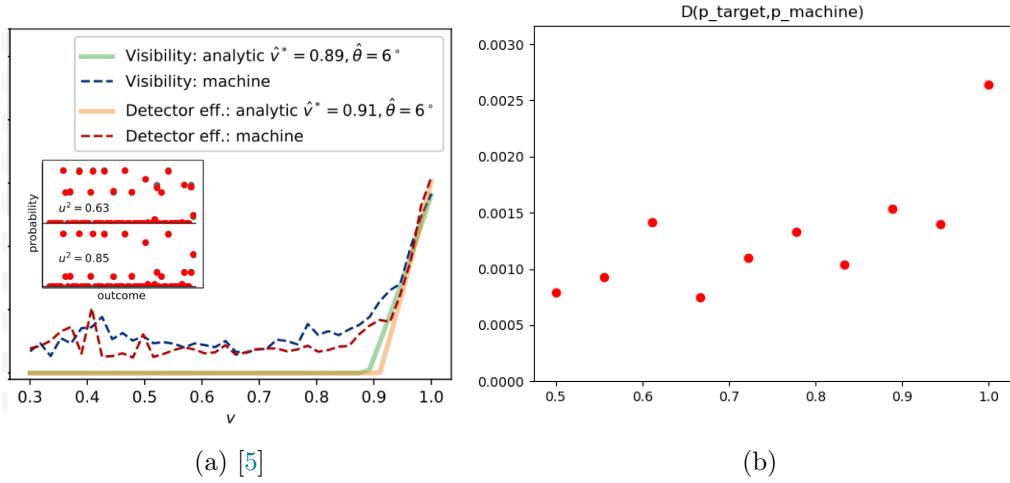


Figure 11: Plot of euclidean distance perceived by the machine $d_M(v)$ and the analytic distance $\hat{d}(v)$

3 The Problem:

Classifying Nonlocal distributions in Bell and Werner States using joint entanglement measurements

On using the Bell state $|\psi\rangle_{AB} := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle_{AB} + |11\rangle_{AB})$ and an entangled set of measurements like [1]:

$$\begin{aligned} u|00\rangle + [\sqrt{1-u^2}]|11\rangle & \& |01\rangle \\ [\sqrt{1-u^2}]|00\rangle - u|11\rangle & \& |10\rangle \end{aligned}$$

These measurement operators only have the parameter u to have for over the entanglement measurements, After training the model and comparing the euclidean distance between the target and learned distributions, we got the following results.

The work on triangle quantum networks by [1] showed that $P_Q(abc)$ is nonlocal for $0.785 < u^2 < 1$. They also proved that there exists local models for $u^2 \in 0.5, 0.785, 1$. Later on examining the network structure using neural network modeling [5], nonlocal distributions were found outside the limit $0.785 < u^2 < 1$ where the best values where found at $u^2 = 0.63 \& 0.85$. The nonlocality peak at 0.63 was unexpected. The Neural network structure was able to successfully reproduce the nonlocal distributions $P_Q(abc)$ for $0.785 < u^2 < 1$ as well as the local distributions at $u^2 \in 0.5, 0.785, 1$.

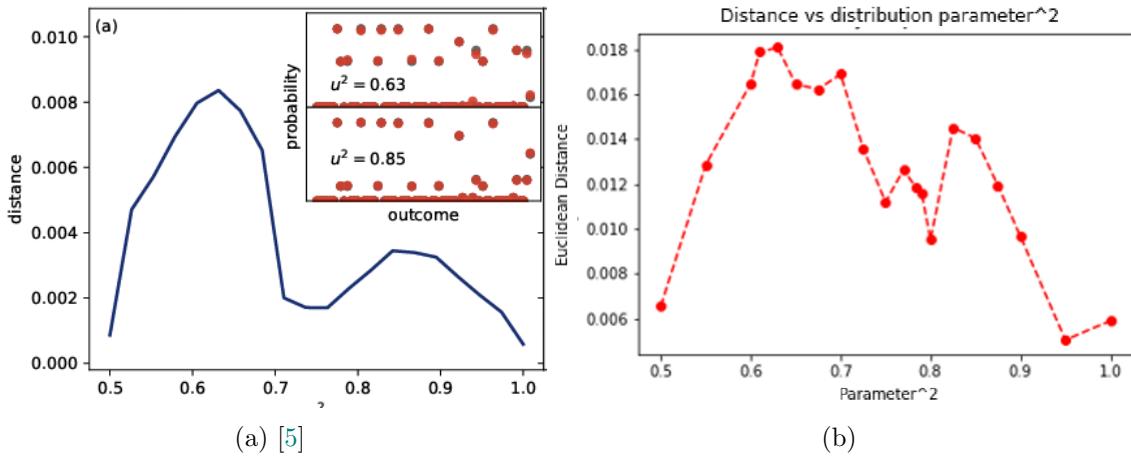


Figure 12: Plot of the distance perceived by the machine, $d_M(v)$ for different values of the entanglement parameter)

Using Werner states $\rho(v) = v|\psi^-\rangle\langle\psi^-| + (1-v)I/4$, we were able to get a control over the nonlocality of the distributions by varying the noise parameter in the states. In the Standard Bell scenario, Werner states exhibit nonlocal behavior in the range of $1/\sqrt{2} < v \leq 1$, where v is the visibility. Here in the triangle network scenario we can see clear nonlocal behavior from 0.9 to 1.0 visibility. Using the noisy Werner states we were able to get a quantitative measure of the nonlocal behavior, this particularly helps in creating nonmaximally entangled states in the triangle network structure.

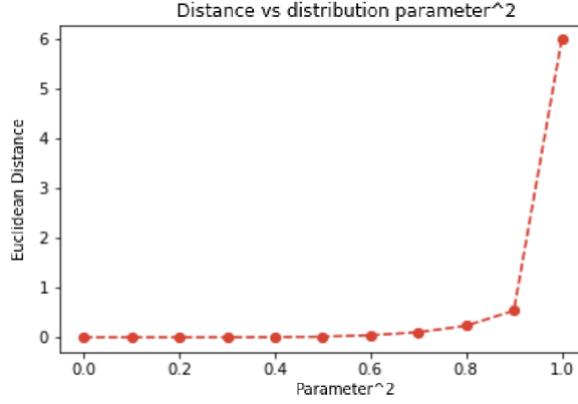


Figure 13: Noisy Werner state

The Problem: Generalizing to X States

Since we initially took all the bipartite qubit sources as the same. This significantly reduced the complexity of the problem. Moreover all the previous studies focused on Bell states and included only one set of entangled measurement. We are generalizing the study to a bigger set called set of X states. Instead of the standard bipartite density matrix that has 15 parameters, X states have 7 parameters. We have also included two sets of entangled measurements instead of just one in the measurement statistics to account for the correlations in the quantum state.

The X states has a total of 7 parameters

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_3 + b_3 + c_{33} + 1 & 0 & 0 & c_{11} - ic_{12} - ic_{21} - c_{22} \\ 0 & a_3 - b_3 - c_{33} + 1 & c_{11} + ic_{12} - ic_{21} + c_2 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{11} - ic_{12} + ic_{21} + c_{22} & -a_3 + b_3 - c_{33} + 1 & 0 \\ c_{11} + ic_{12} + ic_{21} - c_{22} & 0 & 0 & -a_3 - b_3 + c_{33} + 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

To understand the X states better and find the best measurement setting for X states and possibly the 64 dimensional space. Lets start with a smaller set with a single parameter. Having established our results we will move on to the case with three parameters and show that the results are general for a wide range of cases.

These are the quantum resources we are working with, the state we have studied is a type of X state with two parameters and we have included two parameter joint entanglement measurements.

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & b & b & 0 \\ 0 & b & b & 0 \\ a & 0 & 0 & a \end{bmatrix}$$

The Measurement basis are

$$u|00\rangle + [\sqrt{1-u^2}]|11\rangle \quad \& \quad w|01\rangle + \sqrt{1-w^2}|10\rangle$$

$$[\sqrt{1-u^2}]|00\rangle - u|11\rangle \quad \& \quad \sqrt{1-w^2}|01\rangle - w|10\rangle$$

4 Results and Discussion

3.0.1 Phase I - Best measurement settings for one parameter X States

From the earlier research of Renou et al and T.Krivachy et al we have insight on the area of nonlocality in the triangle network and approaching the systems using LHV neural network models also gave measurement operators wherein we can get these nonlocal correlations. The existing work had focused on using the Bell maximally entangled states with single parameter entangled measurement operators, we instead are exploring the nature of nonlocality with X states and how it traverses this domain with two parameter entangled measurements. Let us construct explicitly our quantum distribution $P_Q(a, b, c)$ for training our LHV Neural Networks. Each source produces the same pure maximally entangled state of two qubits,

$$|\psi_\gamma\rangle_{A_\gamma B_\gamma} = |\psi_\alpha\rangle_{B_\alpha C_\alpha} = |\psi_\beta\rangle_{C_\beta A_\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & b & b & 0 \\ 0 & b & b & 0 \\ a & 0 & 0 & a \end{bmatrix}$$

Unitary Trace condition of Density Matrices, $Tr(\psi_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}) = 1$. So $b = 0.5 - a$.

We can get this representation by considering a linear combination of two of the Bell states. (Bell diagonal states)

$$|\phi^+\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad |\psi^+\rangle = \frac{|01\rangle + |10\rangle}{\sqrt{2}},$$

We have gradually increased the value of a from 0 to 0.5; $b = 0.5 - a$ because of the trace constraint, so effectively we are dealing with one parameter in this case of X states. While we vary a 0.0 to 0.25 and 0.25 to 0.5 is the same with just the a and b values swapped. The states with $a = 0$ & 0.5 are Bell states and $a = 0.25$ is a purely local state. Note that each party receives two independent qubit subsystems; for instance Alice receives subsystems A_β and A_γ . Next, each party performs a projective quantum measurement in the same basis. In the following, we use the basis (a set depending on our real parameters u & w) given by $|M_{a,b,c}\rangle$. These are the POVM's we are using, and each correspond to an output giving 4 possible output for each measurement.

$$\begin{aligned} u|00\rangle + (\sqrt{1-u^2})|11\rangle, \quad w|01\rangle + (\sqrt{1-w^2})|10\rangle, \\ (\sqrt{1-u^2})|00\rangle - u|11\rangle, \quad (\sqrt{1-w^2})|01\rangle - w|10\rangle \end{aligned}$$

with $u^2, w^2 \in [0.5, 1]$. All the four states in the basis are entangled. The global quantum state ψ_g of the triangle network can be found by taking tensor product of the individual sources and doing the corresponding network transformation. The statistics of the experiment are given by

$$P_Q(a, b, c) = \langle M_a | \langle M_b | \langle M_c | \psi_g | M_a^t \rangle | M_b^t \rangle | M_c^t \rangle$$

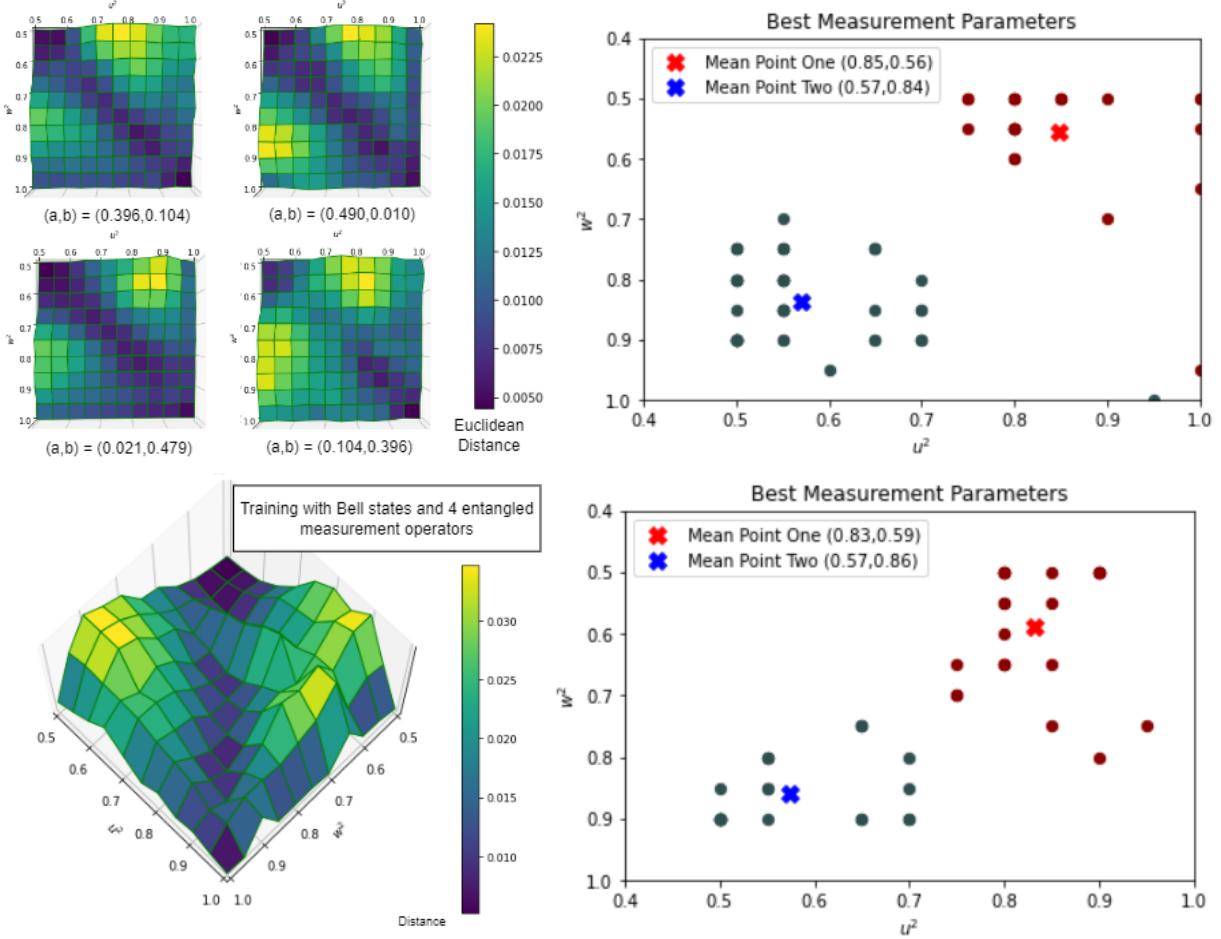


Figure 14: Bell and X states best measurements and points cluster

We now use this generated distribution as the target distribution for our LHV Neural Network. Since we have four choices for each of the three agents, we have the probability distribution $P(a, b, c)$ with 64 elements.

We have three main results

- Best measurement settings
- The two best choices of the distribution parameters have symmetry.
- Noise robustness of the quantum states.

Firstly by parameterizing the quantum states and calculating the quantum distribution using the joint measurements, we use these values to train our LHV Neural Network using the classical random values as the sources. Given a target distribution p_t , the neural network provides an explicit model for a distribution p_m , which according to machine is the closest local distribution to p_t . p_m is guaranteed to be from local set by construction. The neural network will almost never exactly represent the p_t distribution exactly. This is because p_m is learned by sampling a distribution a finite no of times, and the learning technique does not guarantee conversion to a global optimum. We repeat the process for a range of the

parameterized values, and by doing this and recording the trained distributions, we can then find the euclidean distance between each trained and target distribution.

Since in here the ability to reproduce a distribution is the same as deeming the distribution classical, the euclidean distance between the target and trained distribution acts as a measure of nonlocality. Making use of this, we can then find and study the topology of the surface to identify the maximum genuine nonlocality possible for this configuration. It is especially more beneficial to use some behavior statistics like the euclidean distance between the distributions to study the behavior of the same. And this transition in the machine's behavior when we transition between local and nonlocal distributions are especially robust and informative.

By using the euclidean distance as a measure of nonlocality, we found the best measurement setting to be (14)

$$(u^2, w^2) = (0.555, 0.830) \& (0.820, 0.540)$$

of which the former measurement have the relatively best expression in all of X states, which we will revisit next. Here in Figure 14, the first set of graphs shows the euclidean distance of X states (single parameter) for varying parameters of u & w, in the second we have actually complied and found the peak euclidean distance values for varying a & b values, and found the centroid. This value $(u^2, w^2) = (0.555, 0.830) \& (0.820, 0.540)$ is the best measurement setting for our sample space. We tested the same method on the Bell States, and the third graph shows the same two peak significant peaks of euclidean values and the centroid of the peak values in the fourth graph, which is approx the same as before (which is expected as Bell states are also X states).

In 15, I have used the two best measurement choices to measure the quantum state while varying its single parameter across X states, and we can see that it approx aligns with the surface of local minimas. There is a small error factor due to the training nature of neural network.

Also, you can see the best measurement coordinates of the case shown in 14(graph 1) are in fact swaps of each other. We believe this in fact due to the case of b parameter being related to a . Also if we look into the analytical expression of the probability distribution, we can find that

$$P(a, b, u, w) = P(b, a, w, u)$$

And since from here, we get $P(u, w) = P(w, u)$ it gives us $P(a, b) = P(b, a)$ which is in fact true and can be observed when we vary a from 0.0 to 0.25 & 0.25 to 0.5; where these distributions swap.

Noise Robustness study of Nonlocal Quantum Distributions

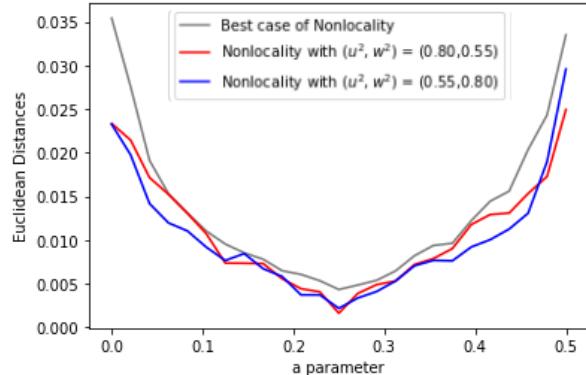


Figure 15: The two best choice of measurements

We now add noise using the Werner states, and explore the noise robustness of these states.

$$\rho(v) = v|\psi^-\rangle\langle\psi^-| + (1-v)I/4 \quad (9)$$

For the noise model, we can introduce finite visibility for the quantum state shared between each two parties, using the Werner state; where v is the visibility. And, $I/4$ denotes the maximally mixed state of two qubits. By taking the quantum distribution believed to be nonlocal & adding some degree of noisiness controlled by the parameter v with $p_t(v=0)$ being the completely noisy local distribution and $p_t(v=1)$ being the noiseless most nonlocal distribution.

By adding noise, we can guarantee, at some point it enters the local set $v \in v^*$

$$d(p_t, p_m) = \sqrt{\sum_{a,b,c} [p_t(abc) - p_m(abc)]^2}$$

like in figure 16. We can see that although the target distribution without noise lies outside the local domain, by subsequently adding noise we can bring this distribution to the local domain. And an important fact to consider is the terrain of the local-nonlocal boundary can't be assumed like in Standard Bell scenarios where we have a polytope. A clear liftoff of the distribution $d_M(v) = d(p_t(v), p_m(v))$ at some point is a signal that we are leaving the local set. $d_m(v)$ distance - we can deduce a lot.

Also when the quantum distribution lies in the local domain in 16, it means that this particular distribution is learnable and can be reproduced by a classical machine learning model. The nonlocal distribution although unlearnable casts a local distribution when the machine tries to learn it, this unsurprisingly trains to be the closest distribution to the nonlocal one.

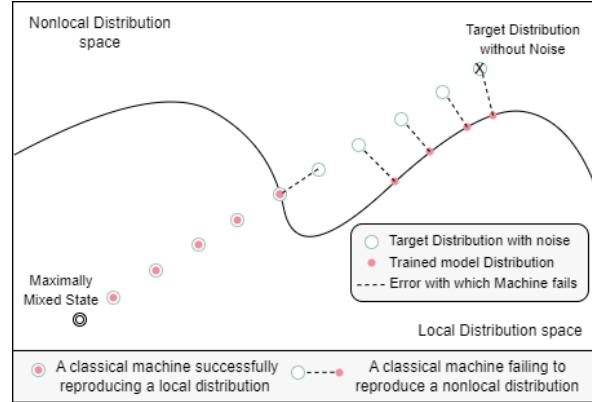


Figure 16: Adding noise to nonlocal distribution

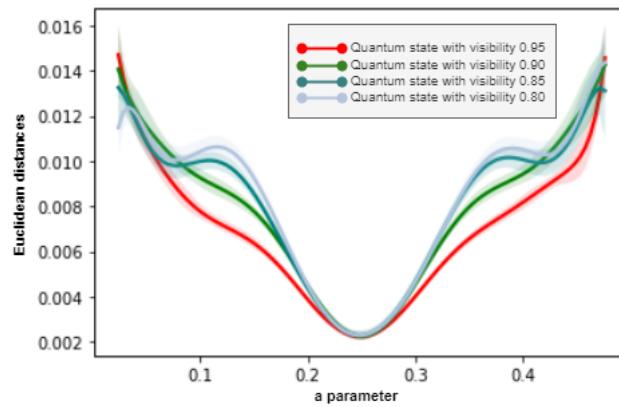


Figure 17: Euclidean distances for varying noise visibilities

Next we also plotted the euclidean distances of quantum states while varying their noise visibility and state parameter a . We can see that in Fig. 17 the euclidean distances is minimal when $a = b = 0.25$, here the nonlocal nature vanishes and the euclidean distance peaks at the extremes. Adding noise generally decreases the nonlocality here, but we were able to see that for certain ranges of a in Fig. 17, adding noise actually increased the euclidean distances. This behavior seems to increase rapidly in the beginning and later slowly after reaching a threshold of 0.80.

This behavior aligns with a later result in this report; we believe that these states upon being added noise form a quantum state that is more nonlocal in nature, hence show a clear difference in euclidean distances when compared to other states.

Phase II: X States with three parameters

Now we can move on to X states with three parameters, we can prepare this state by taking a linear combination of all four Bell states, which we also call the Bell diagonal states. By taking a linear combination of all

$$\begin{aligned} |\phi^+\rangle &= \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, & |\psi^+\rangle &= \frac{|01\rangle + |10\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \\ |\phi^-\rangle &= \frac{|00\rangle - |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, & |\psi^-\rangle &= \frac{|01\rangle - |10\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

We can group the coefficients to give us four parameters. Considering the trace unity condition we have in total have three parameters. Unitary Trace condition of Density Matrices, $\text{Tr}(\rho_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}) = 1$. So $r = 0.5 - p$.

$$|\psi_\gamma\rangle_{A_\gamma B_\gamma} = |\psi_\alpha\rangle_{B_\alpha C_\alpha} = |\psi_\beta\rangle_{C_\beta A_\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} p & 0 & 0 & q \\ 0 & r & s & 0 \\ 0 & s & r & 0 \\ q & 0 & 0 & p \end{bmatrix}$$

We deploy the same set of joint Bell entangled measurement settings as before. These are the POVM's we are using, and each correspond to an output giving 4 possible output for each measurement.

$$\begin{aligned} u|00\rangle + (\sqrt{1-u^2})|11\rangle, & \quad w|01\rangle + (\sqrt{1-w^2})|10\rangle, \\ (\sqrt{1-u^2})|00\rangle - u|11\rangle, & \quad (\sqrt{1-w^2})|01\rangle - w|10\rangle \end{aligned}$$

with $u^2, w^2 \in [0.5, 1.0]$. We follow the same methodology here with the 64 element $P_Q(a, b, c)$ distribution and using it to train the LHV Neural Network. By taking the condition that each eigenstate should be positive to be a valid quantum state, we have the conditions $p \geq q$ & $p \leq 0.5 - s$. We explored the case with different values of p while fixing the other two parameters. We varied the value from 0.0 to 0.5 for the parameters. We were able to identify three main results, in this study.

- First, we found out that the best measurement setting for using the joint entangled measurements and getting nonlocality without inputs is on a case to case basis when considering the X states. A general pattern is not found here, but we can find that the pattern in our previous scenario do carry down here, but the strength of euclidean distances suggest that there is no distinct pattern, as you can see in 18
- Secondly, although the best measurement setting is on a case to case basis, like we mentioned earlier few of the patterns we saw are repeated here, and the best measurement setting $(w^2, u^2) = (0.555, 0.830)$ gives us a good confidence level for attaining nonlocality without inputs.
- Third, we found which of these states have a pronounced expression of nonlocality, and categorised these states to specific quantum states. Along with the best measurement settings for these states, we also found that the measurement setting $(w^2, u^2) = (0.555, 0.830)$ remains the best for these states.

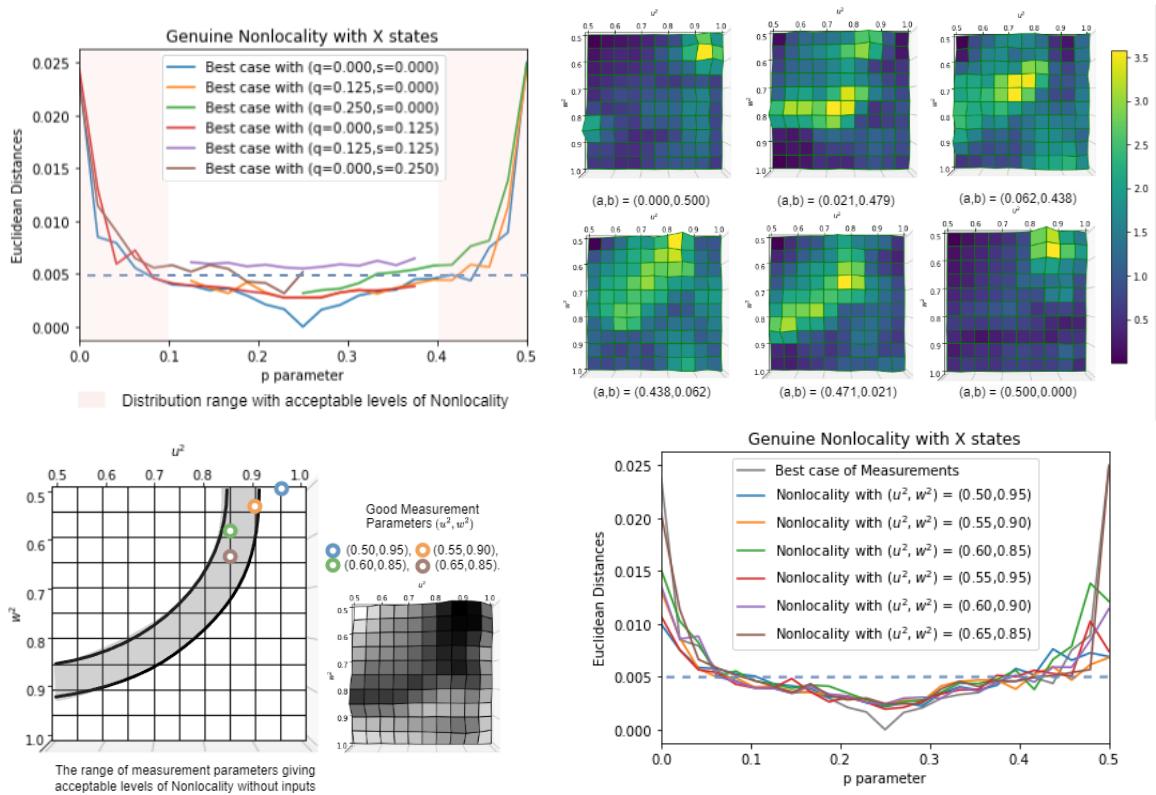


Figure 18: Bell and X states best measurements and points cluster

In Fig. 18 we show the pattern emerging from plotting the best measurement settings for X states with three parameters. In graph 1, we plotted the various X state sets and we have highlighted the quantum distributions showing acceptably high euclidean distances/nonlocal behavior. And from this observation we can see that these states lie in the range of p parameter in $[0.0, 0.1]$ and $[0.4, 0.5]$. This also takes into consideration that $p \geq q \& p \leq 0.5 - s$ and we can see that the q values tends to show better nonlocality when it is comparable to p; that is the nonlocal states are attracted to Bell states, which is not surprising.

But what is surprising is the states are also attracted to states which are classically corre-

lated when using the right joint entangled measurements. Upon further exploration we found that this state

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle\langle 00| + |11\rangle\langle 11|)$$

coupled with joint Bell entangled measurements is showing nonlocal behavior as per the machine learning model. We will explore this later in this report.

Like we said before in Fig. 18 the graph 1 shows the quantum states showing acceptably high levels of nonlocality. We took these states and found their best measurement setting in graph 2, from which we can make out a pattern (graph 3). We found these best measurement settings can be sampled from this pattern and on inputting these settings we can find their euclidean distances to match that of the best case scenario (graph 4).

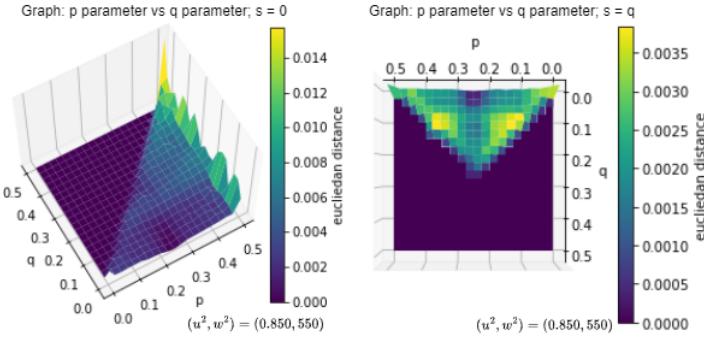


Figure 19: p, q vs euclidean distances

To back our results, we also ran computations with $s = 0$ and $s = q$, while varying the p and q parameters, all while fixing the measurement settings to our best case $(u^2, w^2) = (0.850, 0.550)$.

$$|\psi_\gamma\rangle_{A_\gamma B_\gamma} = |\psi_\alpha\rangle_{B_\alpha C_\alpha} = |\psi_\beta\rangle_{C_\beta A_\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} p & 0 & 0 & q \\ 0 & r & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & r & 0 \\ q & 0 & 0 & p \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} p & 0 & 0 & q \\ 0 & r & q & 0 \\ 0 & q & r & 0 \\ q & 0 & 0 & p \end{bmatrix}$$

In Fig. 19 graph 1 we can see that the peak aligns with the Bell state at $p = q = 0.5$ and slowly decreases as q value decreases. In graph 2 the euclidean distances are lowest at $p = 0.25$ which here is the maximally mixed state. The two peaks also agree with our existing observations.

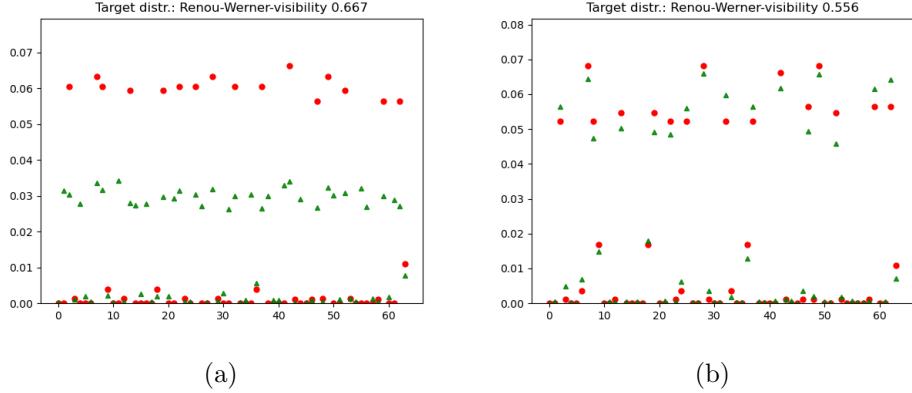


Figure 20: The distributions show that only a few elements of the 64 probability distributions are responsible for nonlocal behavior

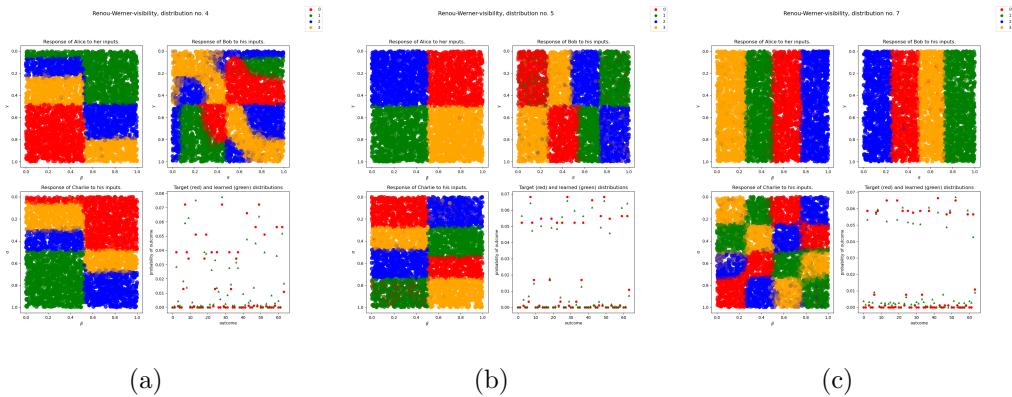


Figure 21: We also got interesting symmetric behavior in the response functions of these distributions

From the Euclidean distances, we can identify that only certain elements of the 64-element distribution are different; only certain subspaces are responsible for the nonlocal behavior exhibited by the triangle quantum network. Also since we can use the same set of measurement operators for the agents we end getting the same distribution for many of the possibilities.

4 Conclusion and future direction

- We were able to reproduce the results of Renou [1] and Krivachy [5], by using the neural network architecture to classify nonlocal states. We also got the best parameter for entangled measurements when considering Bell states.
- We were able to control the nonlocality measure, by making use of the noise parameter in Werner state; we also got an estimate of the visibility required for a Bell state to show nonlocal behavior.
- For Renou[1] distribution the distance perceived by the machine $d_M(v)$ was not optimized, because the nonlocal distribution lies very close to the local space. We improved the optimization by increasing the neural network parameters and using multiple sweeps

with varying optimizers to get an optimal result. And we were able to reproduce the genuine triangle nonlocality results [1].

- We were able to expand upon the study on Bell states to X states; we also included two sets of entangled measurements. For a two-parameter set of X states we were able to identify the best possible entanglement measurement operators for generating a nonlocal distribution.
- We also identified global properties in the behavior of nonlocality for different measurement operators with different states. We speculate that these properties will explain how we can better understand and navigate the boundary between local and nonlocal distribution space.

3.0.1 Future direction

- Expand on the X states and study on the full set of 7 parameters to find the best measurement setting for all X states for showing nonlocal behavior.
- Understand the behavior of the nonlocality euclidean distance measure for different states and different entanglement measures, and work towards understanding and navigating the nonlocal and local space for the triangle quantum network.
- Since the neural network acts as a classifier, modify the condition to select distributions that are x distance away from the local space. Since we have encountered interesting behaviors [1] close to the local space, studying other similar distributions can give us important insights.
- Improve the optimization and adjust the machine learning parameters to prevent the neural network from getting stuck in local optima to better distinguish between the learned and target distribution.
- Find a measure for nonlocality in the triangle setting independent of a trained model.
- Use other machine learning approaches such as reinforcement learning to train the neural network to navigate the local and nonlocal distribution space.
- Continue the study on noise robustness[5], using the distance and the response functions variations; this can further help to map the nonlocal boundary.
- Build neural network structures for different distributions and find a structure that works for a broad range of systems

By understanding such correlations that cannot be described by a casual model, we can use them in quantum information processing, reducing communication complexity, QKD, private randomness generators, device-independent entanglement witnesses, etc. The triangle network is especially useful as it gives nonlocality independent of the measurement we do. These correlations also help in understanding the fundamental aspects of quantum theory and quantum information.

Finding non-maximally entangled nonlocal states are particularly useful because in experimental conditions its very difficult to create and maintain maximally entangled states.

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