

Measures of Expressivity for Quantum Channels and their Operational Meaning

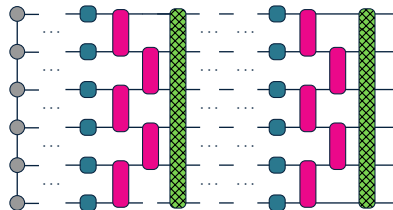
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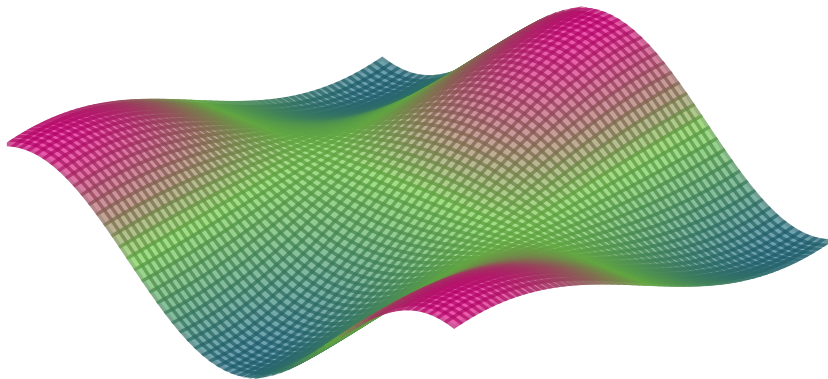
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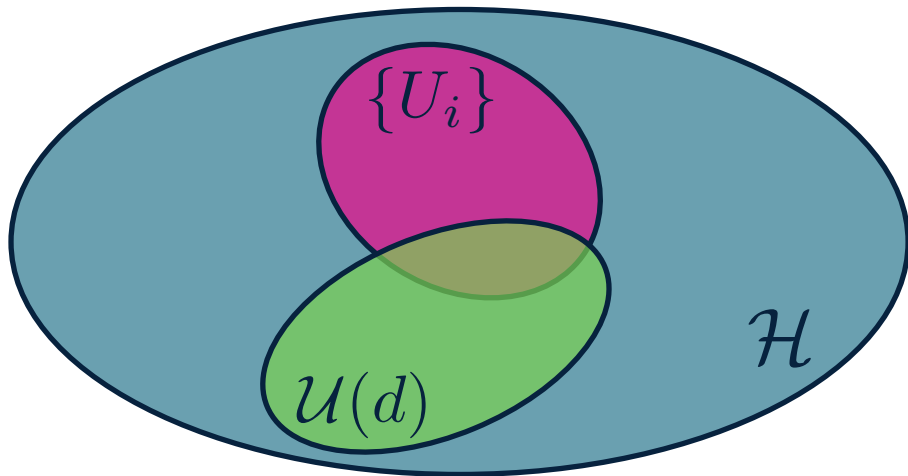
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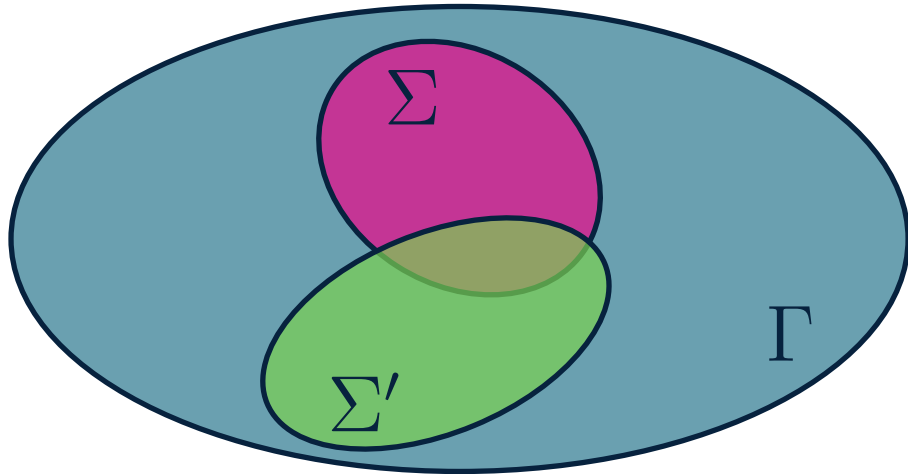
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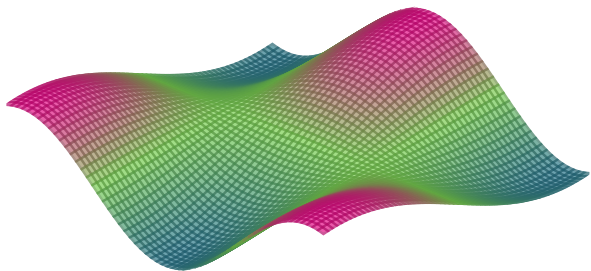
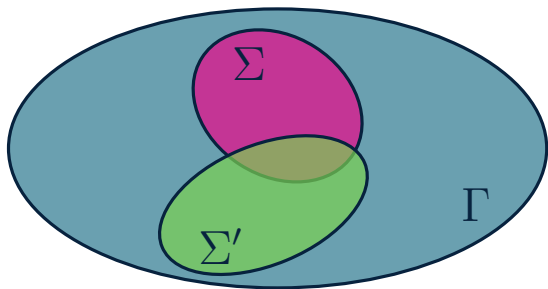
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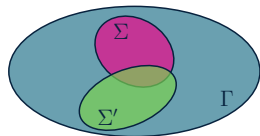


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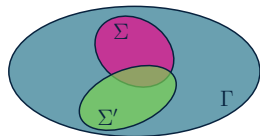
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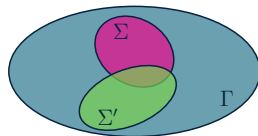
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 - Noise induced phenomena
 - Underlying (parameterized) unitary evolution
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The cHaar ensemble norm scales to leading order as

$$\left\| \mathcal{T}_{\Sigma_{\text{cHaar}}}^{(t)} \right\|^2 = \frac{1}{d_{\mathcal{E}}^{2t}} \binom{d_{\mathcal{E}}^2 + t - 1}{t} |\mathcal{S}_{\Sigma}^{(t)}| \left[1 + O\left(\frac{1}{d_{\mathcal{H}} d_{\mathcal{E}}}\right) \right] \leq |\mathcal{S}_{\Sigma}^{(t)}| \quad (11)$$

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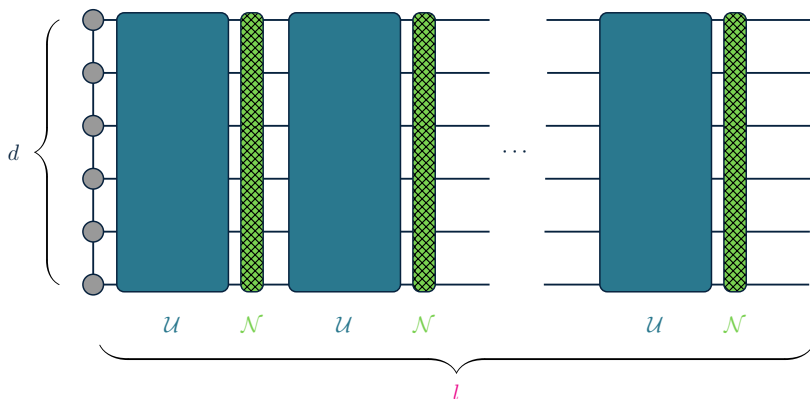
From $d_{\mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{E}} \rightarrow \infty$ limits, there is the conjectured hierarchy of norms

$$1 = \left\| \mathcal{T}_{\Sigma_{\text{Depolarize}}}^{(t)} \right\| \leq \left\| \mathcal{T}_{\Sigma_{\text{cHaar}}}^{(t)} \right\| \leq \left\| \mathcal{T}_{\Sigma_{\text{Haar}}}^{(t)} \right\| = \sqrt{|\mathcal{S}_{\Sigma}^{(t)}|} \quad (12)$$

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Analytical *expressivities* for M layers of channels

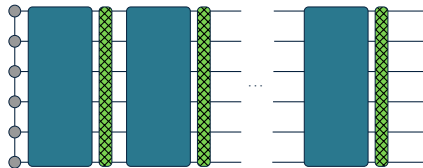
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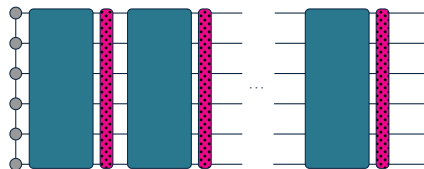
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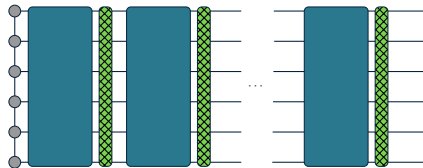
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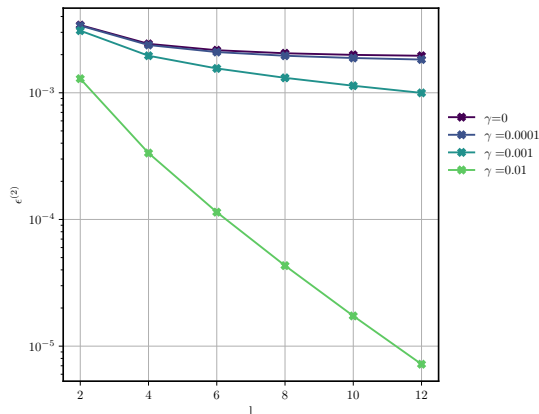
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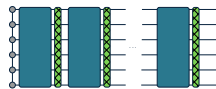
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TFIM vs. Depolarize $t = 2$ expressivity as a function of depth $l = M$, for $N = 6$ qubits in the initial $|+\rangle$ state, and local depolarizing noise γ

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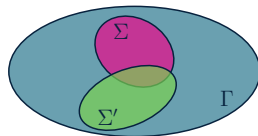
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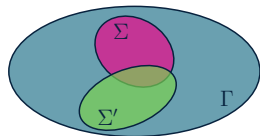
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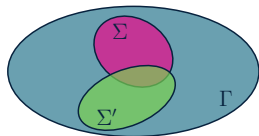
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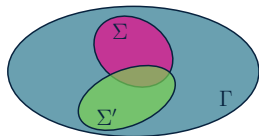
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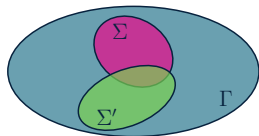
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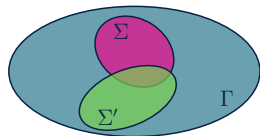
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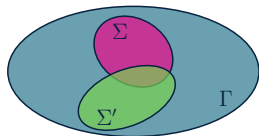
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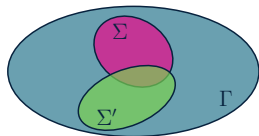
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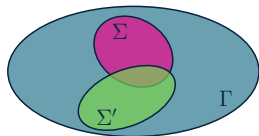
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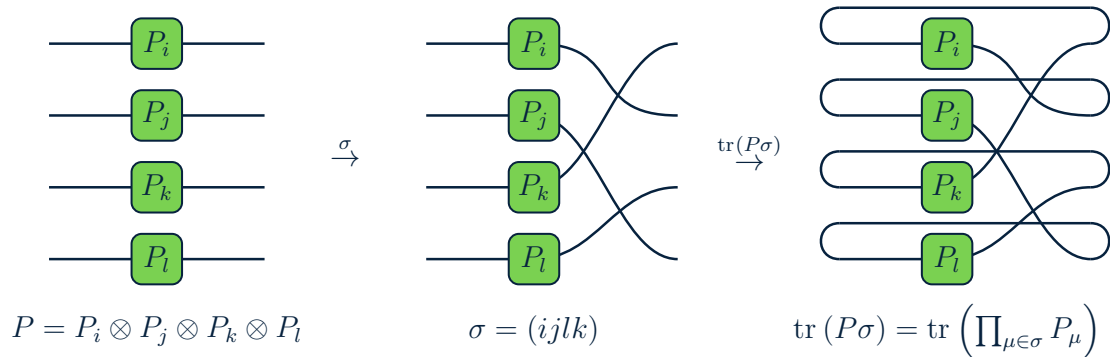
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Appendix

Diagrammatic Expansions of Permutations



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Haar, cHaar, and Depolarizing Ensembles

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Depolarizing	$\frac{\text{tr}(\cdot)}{d_{\mathcal{H}}^t} I$	

Table 1: Twirls $\mathcal{T}_{\Sigma}^{(t)}$ for various ensembles and moments

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Objective gradient $\partial_\mu \mathcal{L}_\Lambda^O$ variance concentrates as

$$\sigma_{\partial_\mu \mathcal{L}_\Lambda^O | \Sigma_{RL}'}[\rho] \leq \sigma_{\partial_\mu \mathcal{L}_\Lambda^O | \Sigma_{\mu RL}'}[\rho] + \begin{cases} \min \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 & O\left(\frac{1}{d_\mathcal{E}^2 d_\mathcal{H}^2} \|S\|_p\right) \mathcal{E}_{\Sigma_{\mu R} \Sigma_{\mu R}'}^{(2|q^*)}[X^{\otimes 2}] + \{O_{\text{Orthogonal}}, G_{\text{Involutory}}, \Sigma'_{\text{cHaar}}\} \\ & O\left(\frac{1}{d_\mathcal{E} d_\mathcal{H}^2} \|S\|_p\right) \mathcal{E}_{\Sigma_{\mu R} \Sigma_{\mu R}'}^{(2|q^*)}[O^{\otimes 2}] + 4 \mathcal{E}_{\Sigma_{\mu R} \Sigma_{\mu R}'}^{(2|p^*)}[X^{\otimes 2}] \mathcal{E}_{\Sigma_{\mu L} \Sigma_{\mu L}'}^{(2|\dagger q^*)}[O^{\otimes 2}] \\ \min \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 & O\left(\frac{1}{d_\mathcal{E}^2 d_\mathcal{H}^3} \|S\|_p\right) \mathcal{E}_{\Sigma_{\mu R} \Sigma_{\mu R}'}^{(2|q^*)}[X^{\otimes 2}] + \{O_{\text{Projector}}, G_{\text{Involutory}}, \Sigma'_{\text{cHaar}}\} \\ & O\left(\frac{1}{d_\mathcal{E} d_\mathcal{H}^2} \|S\|_p\right) \mathcal{E}_{\Sigma_{\mu R} \Sigma_{\mu R}'}^{(2|q^*)}[O^{\otimes 2}] + 4 \mathcal{E}_{\Sigma_{\mu R} \Sigma_{\mu R}'}^{(2|p^*)}[X^{\otimes 2}] \mathcal{E}_{\Sigma_{\mu L} \Sigma_{\mu L}'}^{(2|\dagger q^*)}[O^{\otimes 2}] \\ \min \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 & 4 \mathcal{E}_{\Sigma_{\mu R} \Sigma_{\mu R}'}^{(2|p^*)}[X^{\otimes 2}] \mathcal{E}_{\Sigma_{\mu L} \Sigma_{\mu L}'}^{(2|\dagger q^*)}[O^{\otimes 2}] \quad \{\Sigma'_{\text{Depolarize}}\} \end{cases} \quad (20)$$

where the *left* (L) and *right* (R) 2-design gradient variance is

$$\sigma_{\partial_\mu \mathcal{L}_\Lambda^O | \Sigma_{\mu RL}'}[\rho] = \begin{cases} O\left(\frac{1}{d_\mathcal{E}^2 d_\mathcal{H}}\right) & \{X_{\text{Pure}}, O_{\text{Orthogonal}}, G_{\text{Involutory}}, \Sigma'_{\text{cHaar}}\} \\ O\left(\frac{1}{d_\mathcal{E} d_\mathcal{H}^2}\right) & \{X_{\text{Pure}}, O_{\text{Projector}}, G_{\text{Involutory}}, \Sigma'_{\text{cHaar}}\} \\ 0 & \{\Sigma'_{\text{Depolarize}}\} \end{cases} \quad (21)$$