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# Gaussian Bosonic Channels: conjectures, proofs, and bounds

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# THE RESULT IN A NUTSHELL

“Pares cum paribus  
facillime congregantur”

Cicero, De Senectute

“CERTAIN FUNCTIONALS\* EVALUATED AT THE OUTPUT OF  
A **BOSONIC GAUSSIAN CHANNEL** (BGC)  
ARE OPTIMIZED (SAY MINIMIZED)  
BY **GAUSSIAN INPUT STATES**”

$$\min_{\rho} \mathcal{F}(\Phi(\rho)) = \min_{\rho_G} \mathcal{F}(\Phi(\rho_G))$$

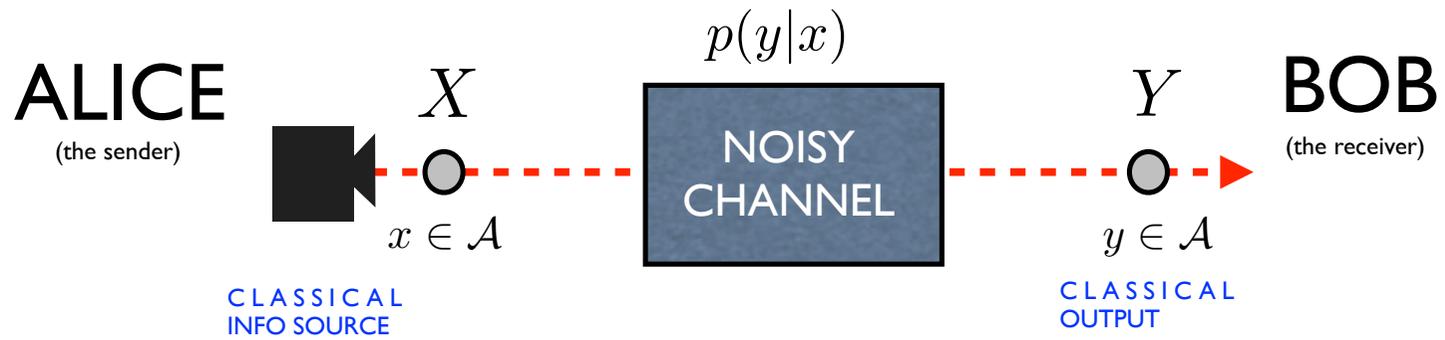
\*VON NEUMANN ENTROPY  
RENYI ENTROPIES  
CONCAVE FUNCTIONALS  
HOLEVO INFORMATION

# Outlook

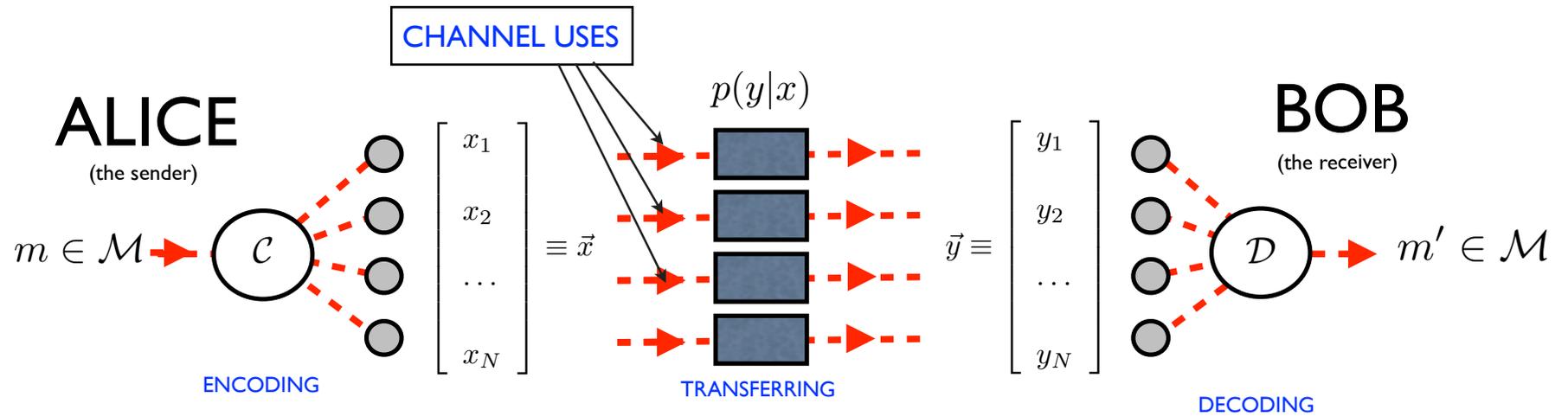
1. Sending classical messages over a quantum channel
2. Bosonic Gaussian Channels (BGCs)
3. “The Conjectures”
4. Solutions
5. Conclusions and Perspectives

I. Sending classical messages over a quantum channel

## CLASSICAL COMMUNICATION LINE

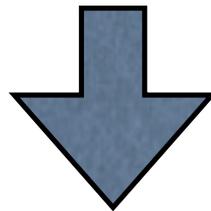


# CLASSICAL COMMUNICATION LINE



$$\text{RATE} = R = \frac{\# \text{Bits}}{\# \text{channel uses}} = \frac{\log_2 M}{N}$$

$$C = \max_{\text{achievable}} R = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{\log_2 M}{N} \mid \exists \mathbf{C}_{M,N} \text{ such that } P_{err}(\mathbf{C}) < \epsilon \right\}$$



### Shannon NOISY CHANNEL CODING THEOREM

$$C = \max_{p(x)} H(X : Y)$$

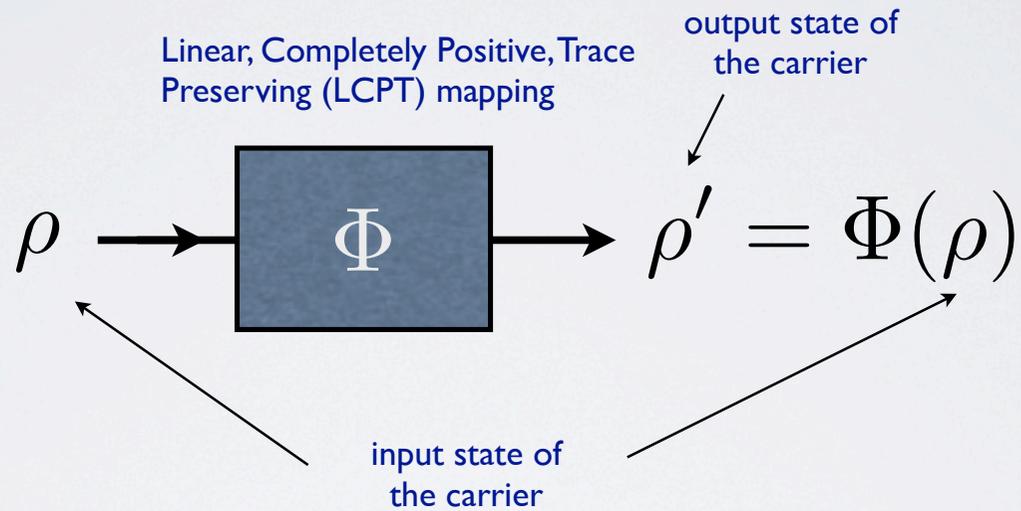
single letter formula ...  
no regularization needed over N

$$H(X : Y) = H(X) + H(Y) - H(X, Y) \quad \text{MUTUAL INFORMATION of X,Y}$$

$$H(X) = - \sum_x p(x) \log_2 p(x)$$

# Sending classical messages on a Quantum Channel

## INPUT/OUTPUT FORMALISM

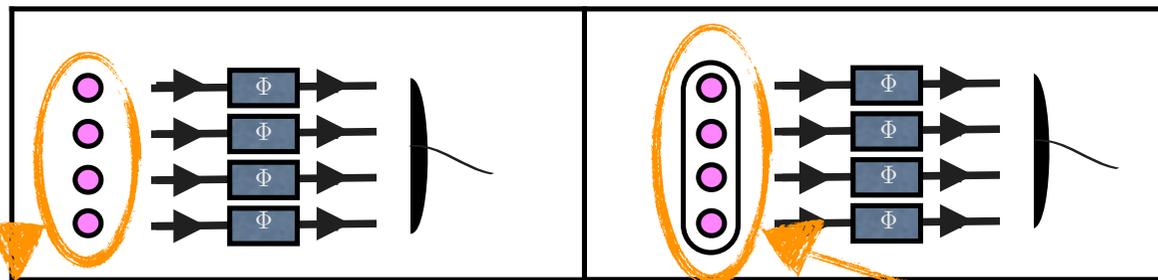


As in the classical theory we can define the CAPACITY of the Channels as:

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SEPARABLE ENCODING

ENTANGLED ENCODING



$|0000\rangle$

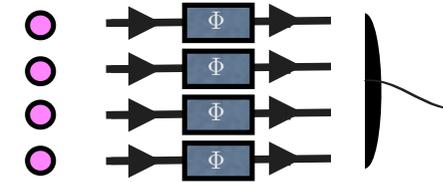
$C_1(\Phi)$

$C(\Phi)$

$(|00000\rangle + |1111\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$

Holevo-Schumacher-Westmoreland (HSW)

CHANNEL CODING THEOREM (I)



if we restrict the ENCODING to only those which produce SEPARABLE (non entangled) CODEWORDS, then

$$C_1(\Phi) \equiv \max_{\text{ENS}} C_{\chi}(\Phi(\text{ENS})) = \text{HOLEVO CAPACITY OF THE CHANNEL } \Phi$$

↑  
MAXIMIZED OVER ALL  
POSSIBLE  
ENSEMBLES

HOLEVO IEEE 44, 269 (1998)  
SCHUMACHER and WESTMORELAND  
PRA 56, 2629 (1998)

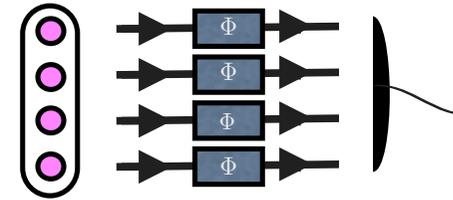
$\text{ENS} = \{\rho_j; p_j : \rho_j \in \mathfrak{S}(\mathcal{H})\}$  = ensemble of input states of the information carrier

$\Phi(\text{ENS}) = \{\Phi(\rho_j); p_j : \rho_j \in \mathfrak{S}(\mathcal{H})\}$  = output ensemble associated with ENS

$$C_{\chi}(\text{ENS}) = S\left(\sum_j p_j \rho_j\right) - \sum_j p_j S(\rho_j) = \text{HOLEVO INFO of the ensemble ENS}$$

Holevo-Schumacher-Westmoreland (HSW)

CHANNEL CODING THEOREM (II)



if we allow for ANY ENCODING including those which produce ENTANGLED CODEWORDS, then

$$C(\Phi) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{C_1(\Phi^{\otimes N})}{N}$$

REGULARIZATION  
OVER CHANNEL USES

$$C_1(\Phi^{\otimes N}) = \max_{\text{ENS}} C_{\chi}(\Phi^{\otimes N}(\text{ENS})) = \text{HOLEVO CAPACITY OF THE CHANNEL} \quad \Phi^{\otimes N}$$

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MAXIMIZED OVER ALL  
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N-dim ENSEMBLES

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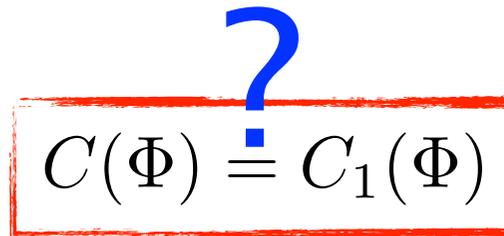
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ADDITIVITY  
Problem of  
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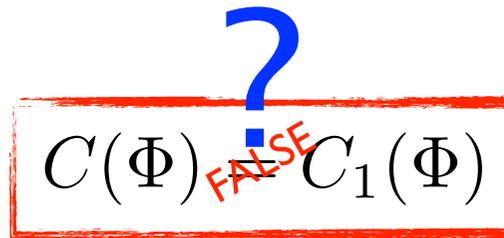
### SHOR EQUIVALENCE THEOREM (2004):

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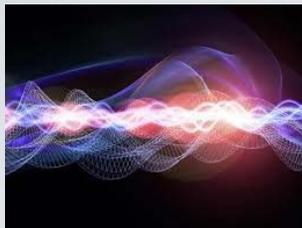
$$C(\Phi) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{C_1(\Phi^{\otimes N})}{N}$$

still, for some special channels it may be the case that the additivity holds ...

## 2. Bosonic Gaussian Channels (BGCs)

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each INPUT SYSTEM is a collection of (say)  $s$  independent optical modes

$$[a_j, a_k^\dagger] = \delta_{jk}$$

annihilation operator of the  $j$ -th mode

$$D(z) = \exp[\mathbf{a}^\dagger z - z^\dagger \mathbf{a}] = \exp \sum_{j=1}^s (z_j a_j^\dagger - z_j^* a_j)$$

displacement (or Weyl) operators

$$z = (z_1, z_2, \dots, z_s)^t$$

$$\mathbf{a} = [a_1, \dots, a_s]^t$$

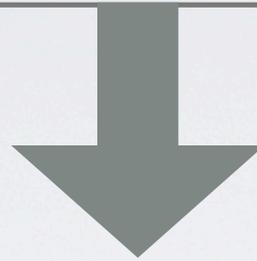
$$\rho = \frac{1}{\pi^s} \int d^{2s} z \chi(z) D(-z) \iff \chi(z) = \text{Tr}[\rho D(z)]$$

Symmetrically  
Ordered  
Characteristic  
Function

# Bosonic Gaussian Channels (BGCs)

A state  $\rho$  is a Gaussian state iff  $\chi(z)$  is a Gaussian function

Vacuum state,  
Coherent states,  
Squeezed states,  
Thermal states.

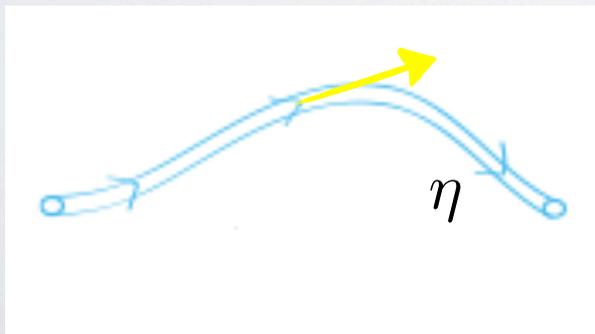


A LCPT map  $\Phi$  is a BGC if it sends Gaussian input states  $\rho$  into output Gaussian states  $\Phi(\rho)$

Holevo, Werner PRA 63, 1997

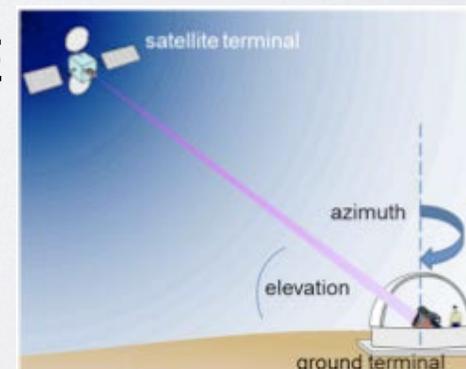
Attenuation (loss), Amplification, Squeezing, Thermalization processes

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## Bosonic Gaussian Channels (BGCs)

for phase-covariant  
channels (multimode channels)

$$\chi(z) = \text{Tr}[\rho D(z)] \rightarrow$$

BOSONIC GAUSSIAN  
CHANNEL

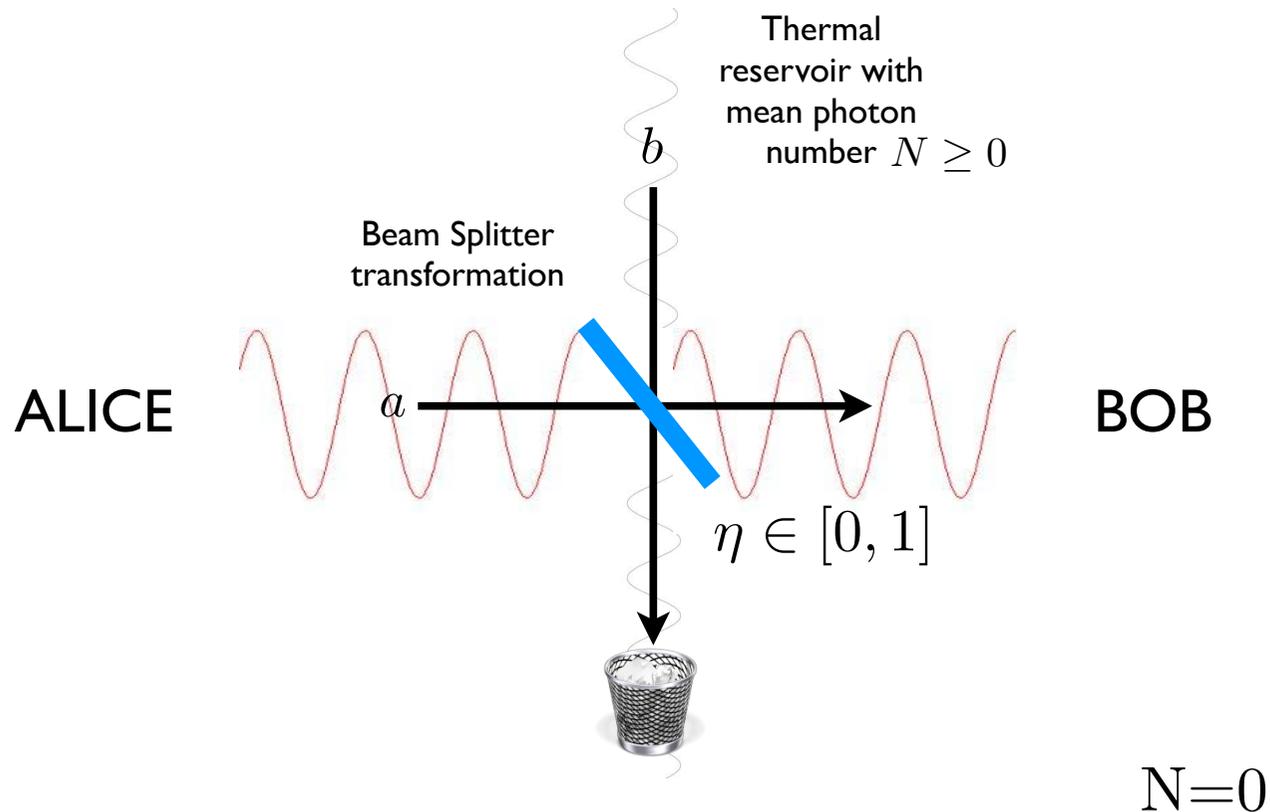
$$\rightarrow \chi'(z) = \text{Tr}[\Phi(\rho) D(z)] = \chi(K^\dagger z) \exp[-z^\dagger \mu z]$$

$$\mu \geq \pm \frac{1}{2} (I - KK^\dagger)$$

# Bosonic Gaussian Channels (BGCs)

Attenuator (or thermal)  
single mode channel ( $s=1$ )

$$\chi'(z) = \chi(\sqrt{\eta}z) e^{-(1-\eta)(N+1/2)|z|^2}$$



$$\mathcal{E}_\eta^N(\rho) = \text{Tr}_E[U(\rho \otimes \sigma_E)U^\dagger]$$

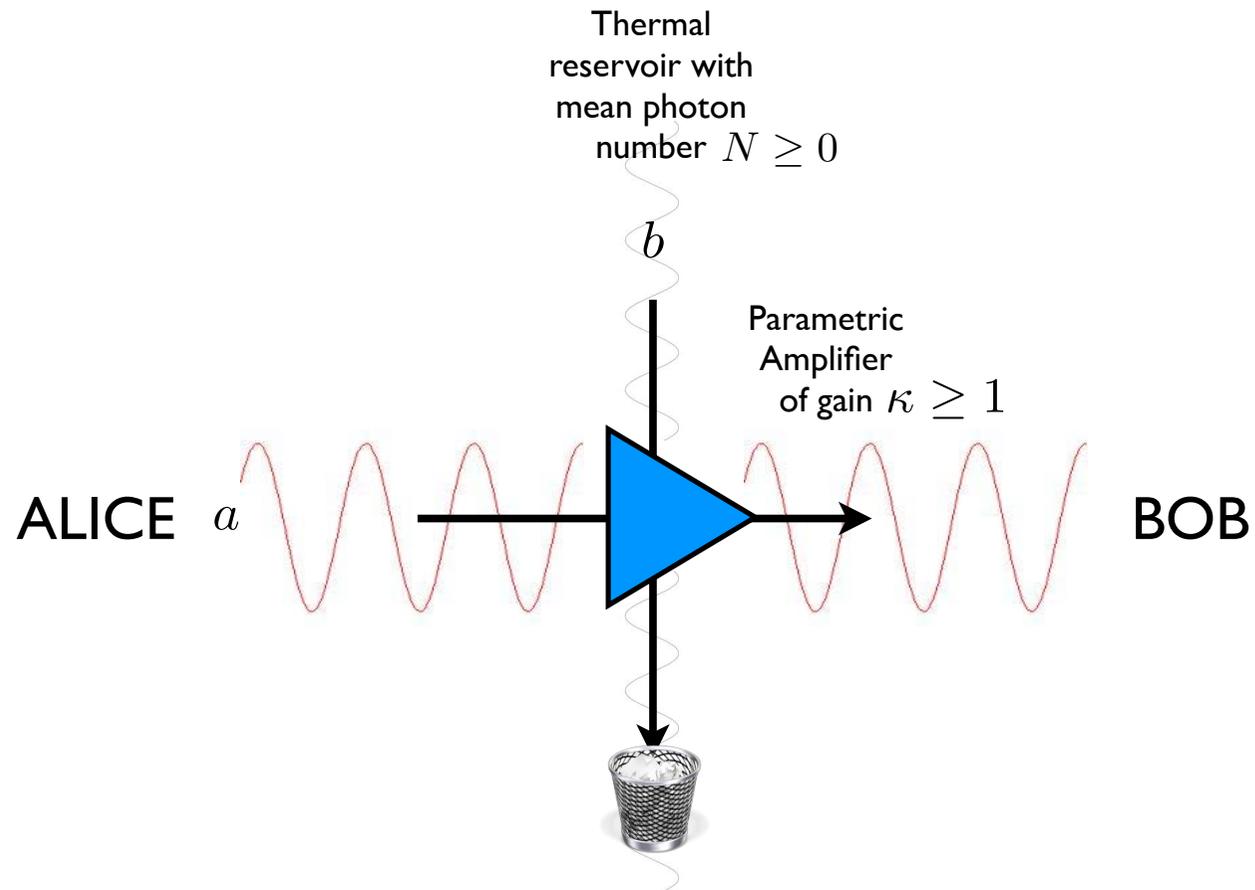
$$\mathcal{E}_\eta^0(\rho) = \text{Tr}_E[U(\rho \otimes |\emptyset\rangle\langle\emptyset|)U^\dagger]$$

purely lossy channel (minimal  
noise attenuator)

# Bosonic Gaussian Channels (BGCs)

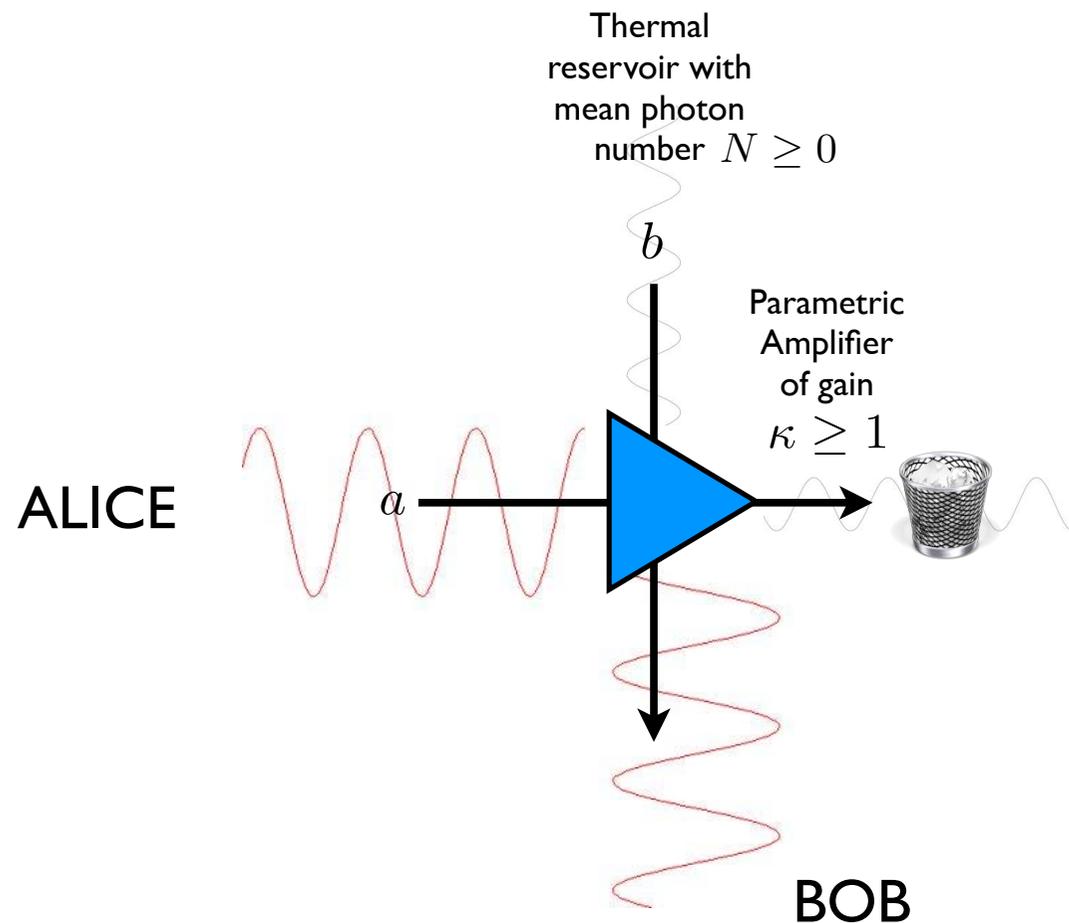
Amplifier channel single mode channel ( $s=1$ )

$$\chi'(z) = \chi(\sqrt{\kappa}z) e^{-(\kappa-1)(N+1/2)|z|^2}$$



$$\mathcal{A}_{\kappa}^N(\rho) = \text{Tr}_E[U(\rho \otimes \sigma_E)U^\dagger]$$

# Bosonic Gaussian Channels (BGCs)



$$\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{\kappa}^N(\rho) = \text{Tr}_S[U(\rho \otimes \sigma_E)U^\dagger]$$

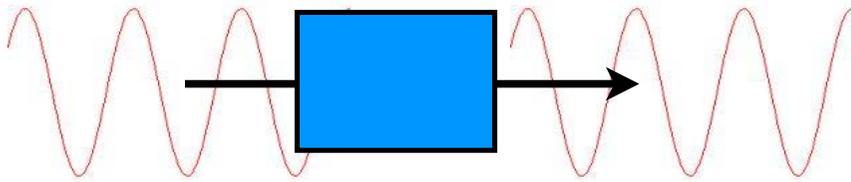
weak complementary of an amplifier channel

$$\chi'(z) = \chi(-\sqrt{\kappa-1}z^*) e^{-\kappa(N+1/2)|z|^2}$$

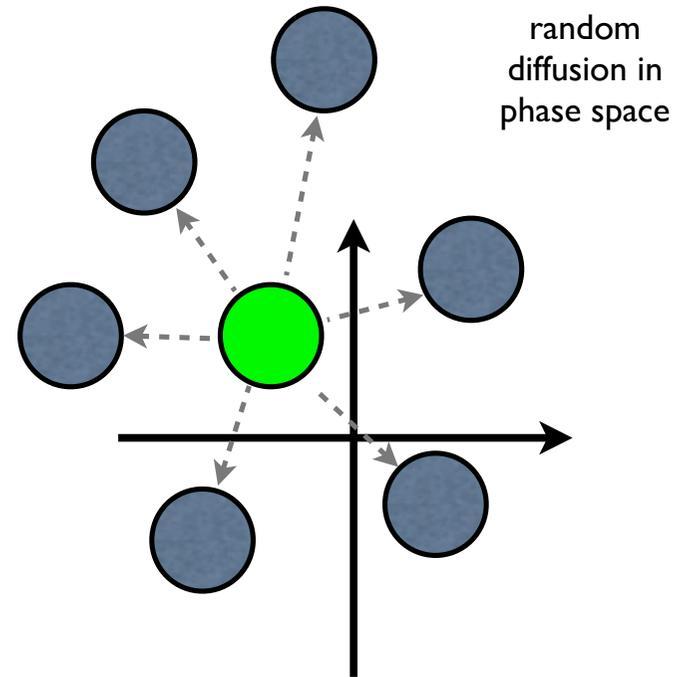
THIS IS AN ENTANGLEMENT  
BREAKING CHANNEL: we can  
always represent it as a measure and  
re-prepare channel

# Bosonic Gaussian Channels (BGCs)

ADDITIVE  
CLASSICAL  
NOISE  
CHANNEL



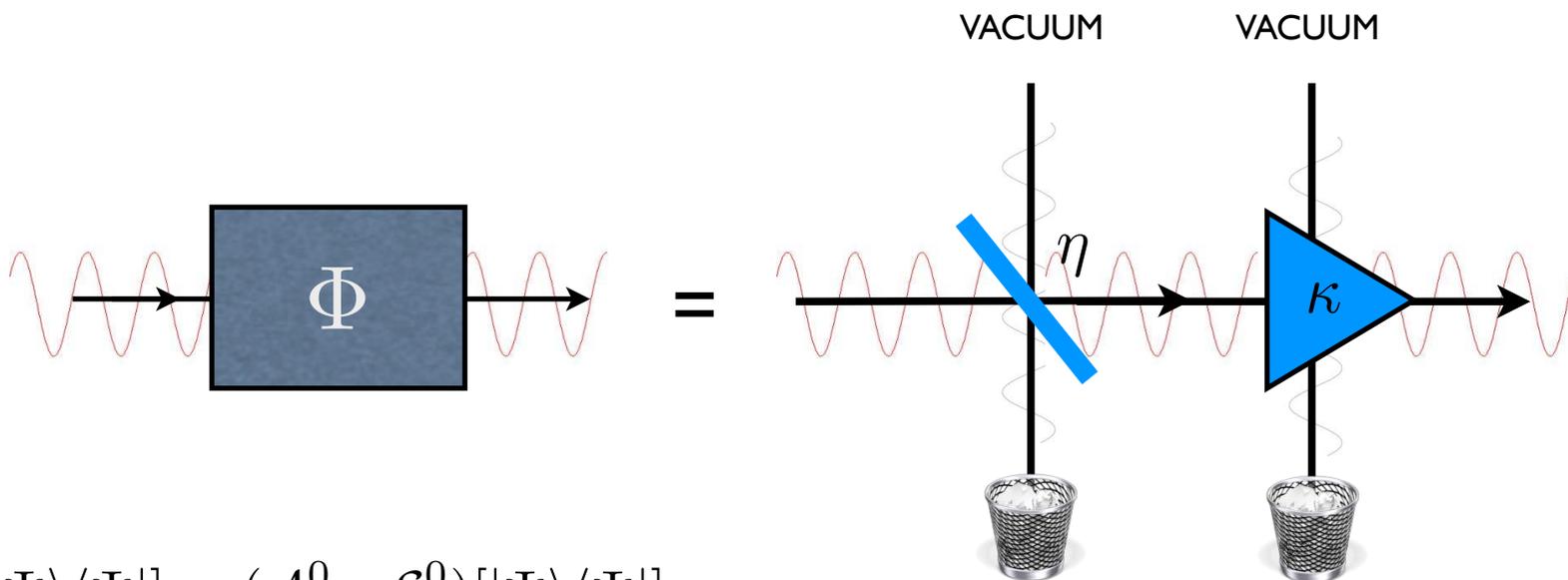
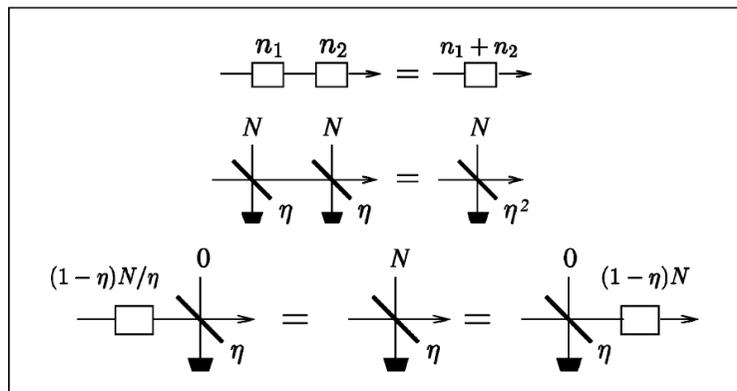
$$\chi'(z) = \chi(z) e^{-n|z|^2}$$



$$\mathcal{N}_n(\rho) = \int d^2\mu P_n(\mu) D(\mu)\rho D^\dagger(\mu)$$

# Bosonic Gaussian Channels (BGCs)

This set of maps is closed under channel concatenation (semigroup structure)



$$\Phi[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|] = (\mathcal{A}_\kappa^0 \circ \mathcal{E}_\eta^0)[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|]$$

lossy channel  $\mathcal{E}_\eta^0$

minimal noise amplifier  $\mathcal{A}_\kappa^0$

## Bosonic Gaussian Channels (BGCs)

CLASSICAL CAPACITY PROBLEM:

how much CLASSICAL information  
can we transfer over these channels?

Holevo, Schumacher, Westmoreland (HSW) theorem

$$C(\Phi) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{m} C_{\chi}(\Phi^{\otimes m})$$

regularization  
over  
channel uses  
(Hastings 2008)

$$C_{\chi}(\Psi) = \sup_{\text{ENS}} \left\{ S(\Psi(\rho_{\text{ENS}})) - \sum_j p_j S(\Psi[\rho_j]) \right\} \quad \text{ENS} = \{p_j, \rho_j\}$$

Input energy  
constraint

$$\text{Tr}[a_j^{\dagger} a_j \rho] \leq E$$

maximum mean  
energy per  
channel use

### 3. “The Conjectures”

# “The Conjectures”

## Gaussian Additivity Conjecture

“The output Holevo information is additive  
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## Optimal Gaussian ensemble Conjecture

“The maximization of  $C$  can be performed  
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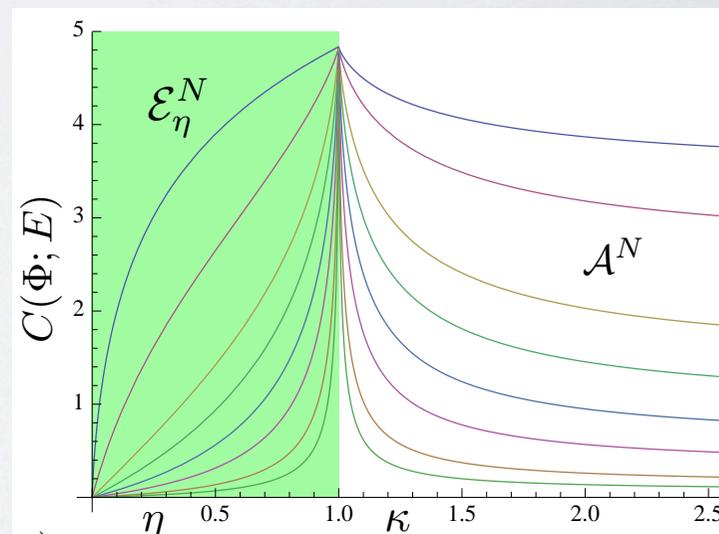
Holevo, Werner PRA 63, 1997

PROVED FOR  $N=0$   
(purely lossy channel)

VG et al. PRL 2004

$$C(\mathcal{E}_\eta^N; E) = g(\eta E + (1 - \eta)N) - g((1 - \eta)N)$$

$$g(x) = (x + 1) \log_2(x + 1) - x \log_2 x$$



# “The Conjectures”

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GIOVANNETTI, GUHA, LLOYD,  
MACCONE, SHAPIRO, YUEN,  
PRL 2004

$$\begin{aligned}
 C(\mathcal{E}_\eta^0) &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\text{ENS}} [S([\mathcal{E}_\eta^0]^{\otimes m}(\rho_{\text{ENS}})) - \sum_j p_j S([\mathcal{E}_\eta^0]^{\otimes m}[\rho_j])] / m \\
 &\leq \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} [S_{\text{max}}([\mathcal{E}_\eta^0]^{\otimes m}) - S_{\text{min}}([\mathcal{E}_\eta^0]^{\otimes m})] / m \\
 &\leq S_{\text{max}}(\mathcal{E}_\eta^0)
 \end{aligned}$$

THERE EXISTS AN ENSEMBLE  
THAT SATURATES THE BOUND!!!!

coherent states

$$ENS = \{p(\alpha), |\alpha\rangle\}$$

gaussian ensemble

$$\mathcal{E}_\eta^0(|\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha|) = |\sqrt{\eta}\alpha\rangle\langle\sqrt{\eta}\alpha| \longrightarrow S(\mathcal{E}_\eta^0(|\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha|)) = 0$$

# “The Conjectures”

## Minimum Output Entropy Conjecture VG et al. 2004

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**CLASSICAL CAPACITY**

shortcut

$$C(\Phi) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\text{ENS}} [S(\Phi^{\otimes m}(\rho_{\text{ENS}})) - \sum_j p_j S(\Phi^{\otimes m}[\rho_j])]/m$$
$$\leq \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} [S_{\text{max}}(\Phi^{\otimes m}) - S_{\text{min}}(\Phi^{\otimes m})]/m$$

If MOE is true then the upper bound coincides with the value attainable by Gaussian encoding

good luck ...



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## Majorization Conjecture

VG et al. PRA 2004

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Minimum Output  
Renyi, Weyl  
Entropy Conjecture

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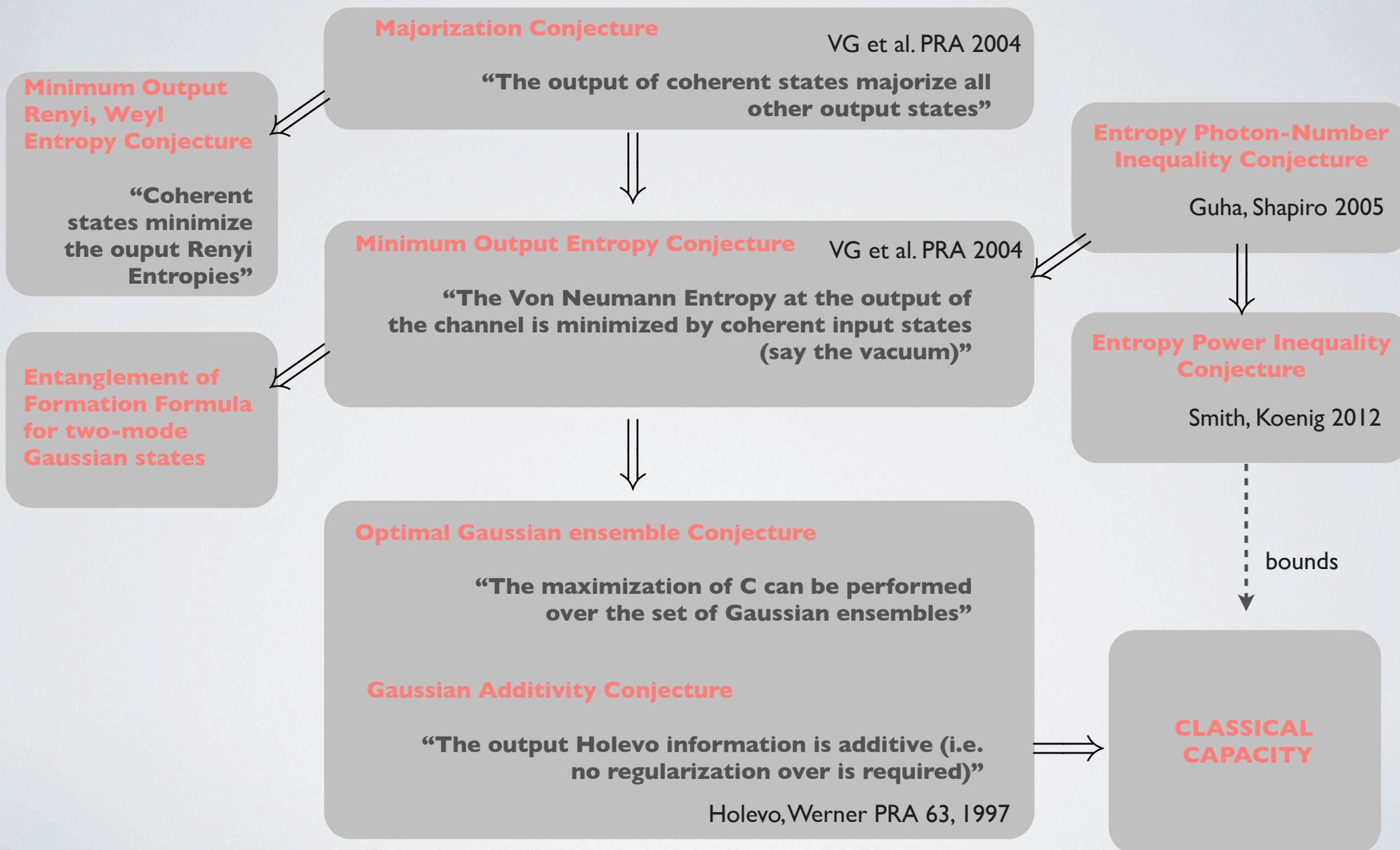
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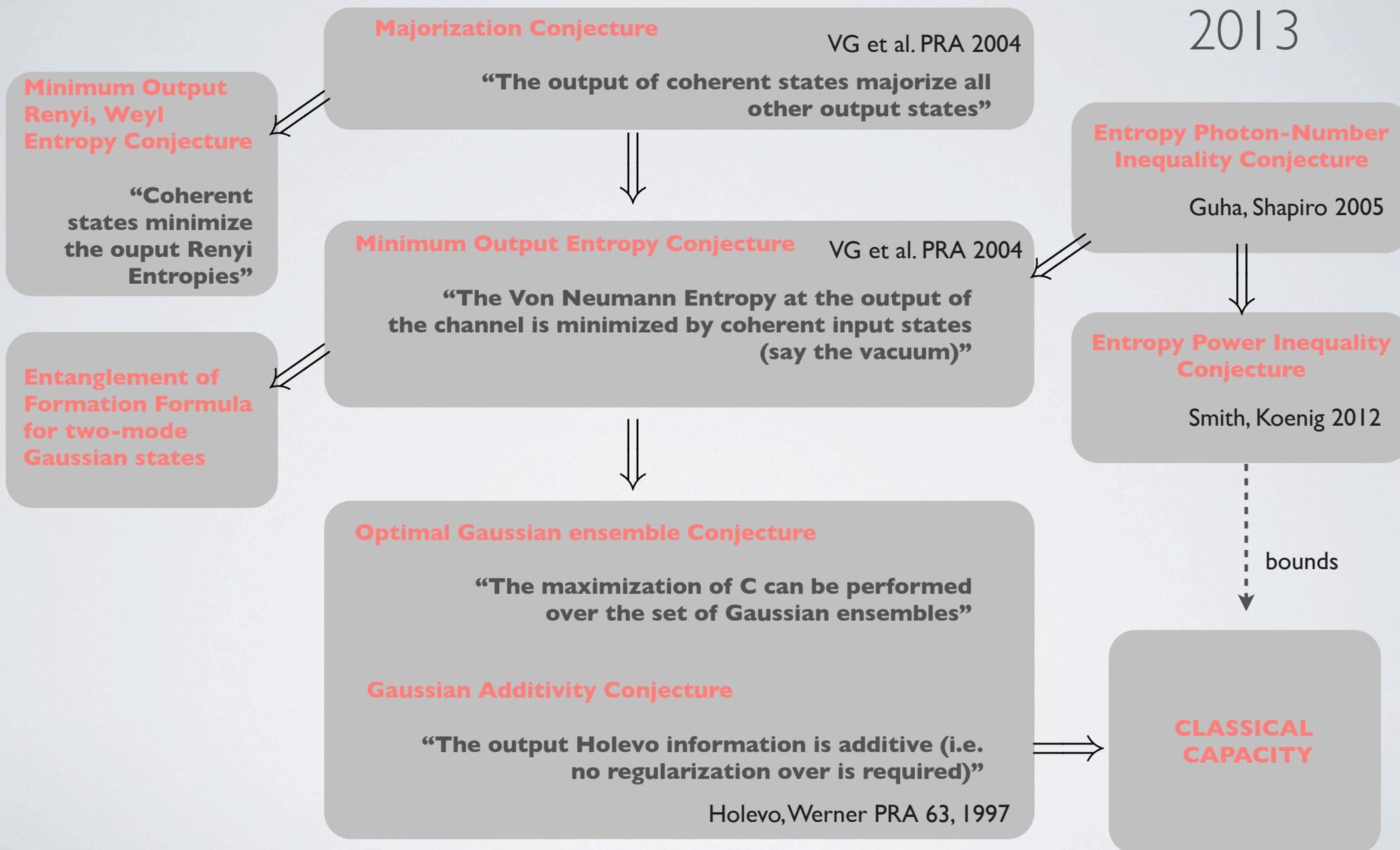
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**Mari, Giovannetti, Holevo**  
arXiv:1312.6225  
Nature Communication

**NOW**

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**Entropy Photon-Number Inequality Conjecture**

Guha, Shapiro 2005

**Entropy Power Inequality Conjecture**

Smith, Koenig 2012

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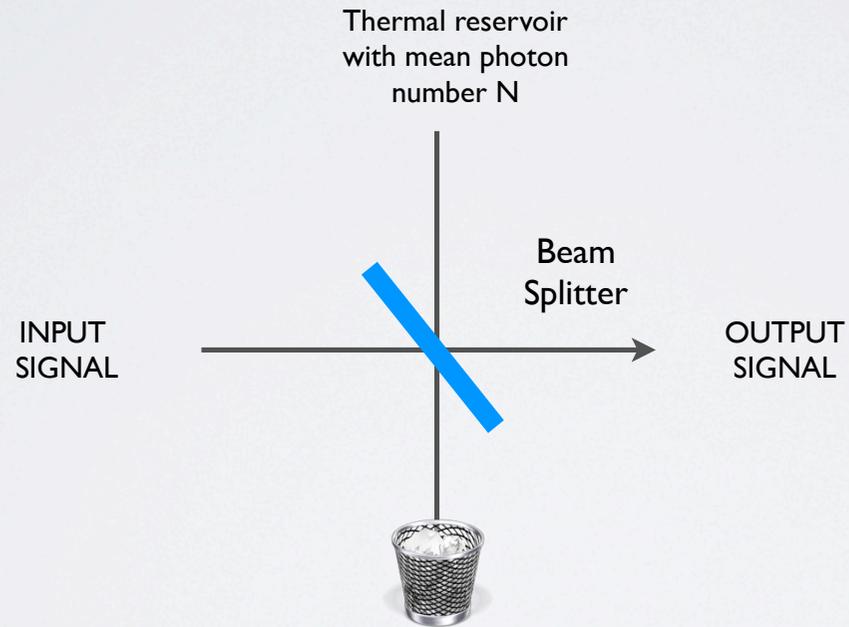
bounds

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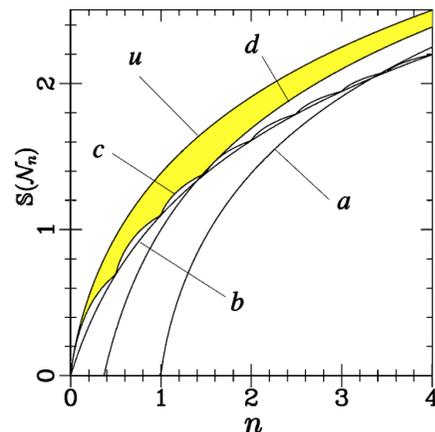
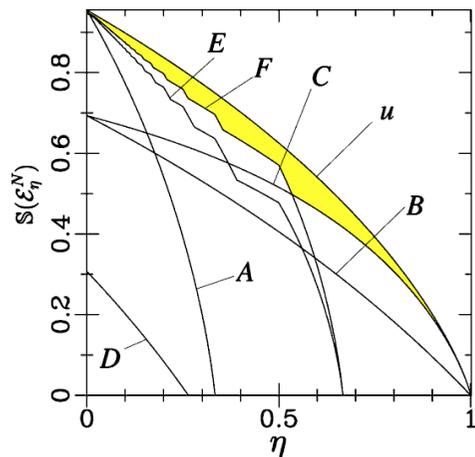
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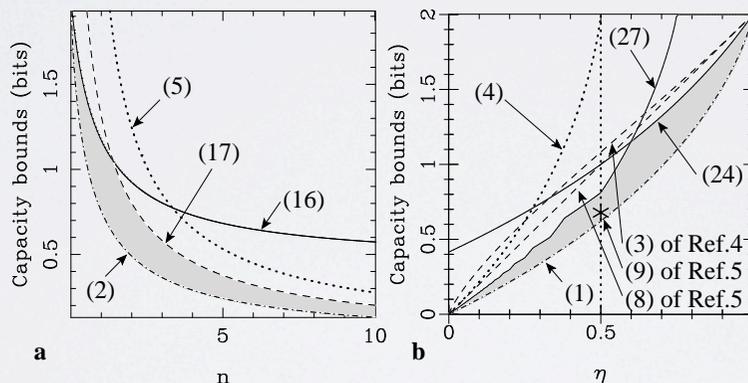
VG, Guha, Lloyd, Maccone,  
Shapiro, PRA 2004

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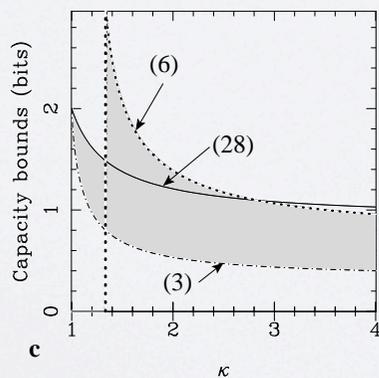
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VG, Lloyd, Maccone, Shapiro Nat Phot 2013.

**Entropy Power Inequality Conjecture**

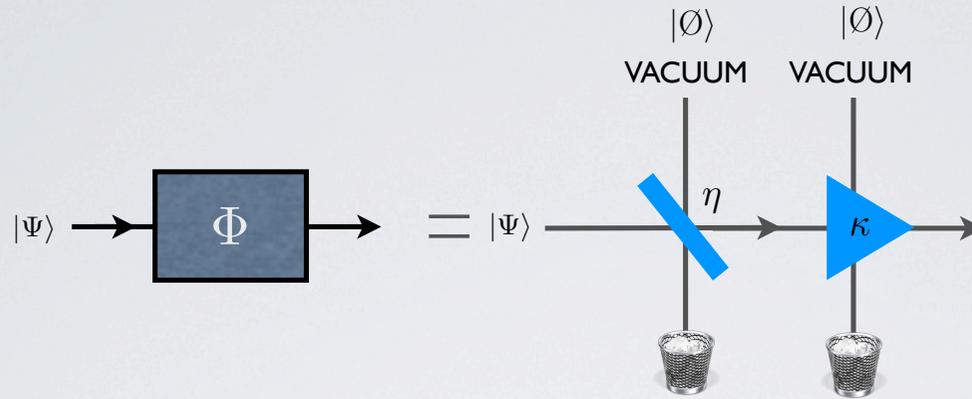
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“Electromagnetic channel capacity for practical purposes”

The  
solution  
in  
5 (simple)  
STEPS

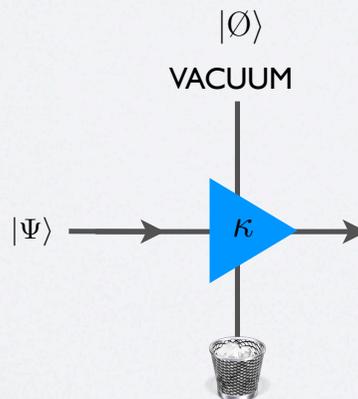
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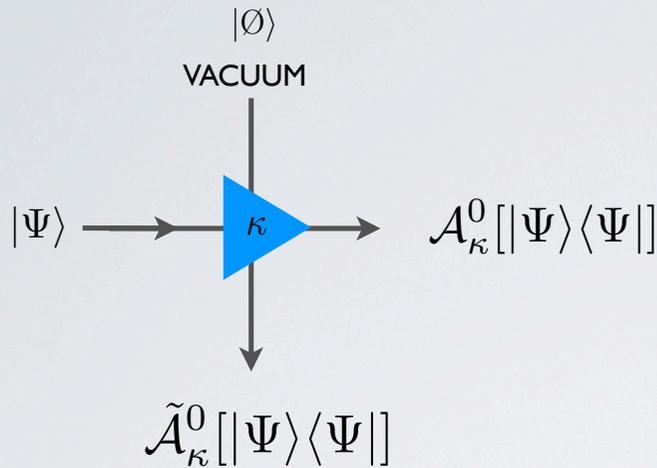


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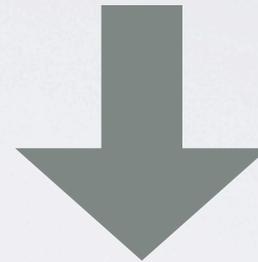
SINCE VACUUM GOES TO THE VACUUM UNDER PURELY LOSSY CHANNEL, PROVING MOE FOR THE AMPLIFIER

$$\mathcal{E}_\eta^0[|\emptyset\rangle\langle\emptyset|] = |\emptyset\rangle\langle\emptyset|$$





THIS IS A PROPER STINESPRING REPRESENTATION FOR THE CHANNEL: there for pure inputs we have



STEP II

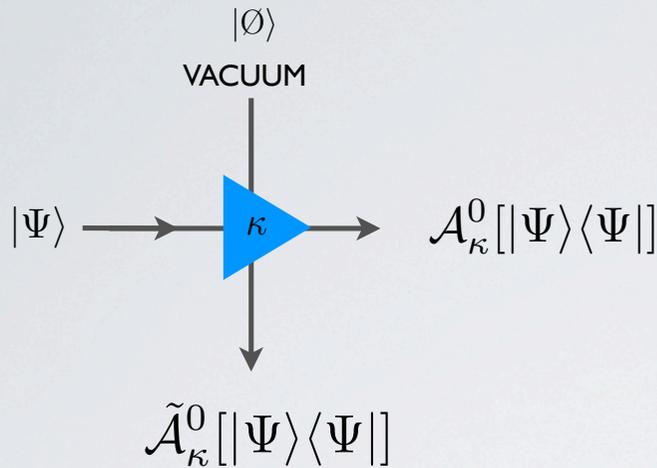
$$S(\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_\kappa^0[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|]) = S(\mathcal{A}_\kappa^0[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|])$$

STEP III

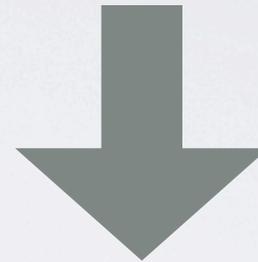
... BUT now we can use once more the LOSSY+minimal NOISE AMPLIFIER decomposition to express

$$\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_\kappa^0[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|] = T \circ \mathcal{A}_\kappa^0 \circ \mathcal{E}_{\eta'}^0[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|]$$

PHASE CONJUGATION  
IT DOESN'T CHANGE THE SPECTRUM ... hence the entropy: WE CAN NEGLET IT!



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STEP III

... BUT now we can use once more the LOSSY+minimal NOISE AMPLIFIER decomposition to express

$$\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_\kappa^0[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|] = T \circ \mathcal{A}_\kappa^0 \circ \mathcal{E}_{\eta'}^0[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|]$$

PHASE CONJUGATION IT DOESN'T CHANGE THE SPECTRUM ... hence the entropy: WE CAN NEGLECT IT!

LUCKY STRIKE  
SAME GAIN PARAMETER!!  
BINGO!!!!

Step IV

$$\mathcal{E}_{\eta'}^0(|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|) = \sum_j p_j |\Psi_j\rangle\langle\Psi_j|$$

$$\begin{aligned} S(\mathcal{A}_{\kappa}^0[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|]) &= S(\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{\kappa}^0[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|]) = S(\mathcal{A}_{\kappa}^0 \circ \mathcal{E}_{\eta'}^0[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|]) \\ &= S(\mathcal{A}_{\kappa}^0(\sum_j p_j |\Psi_j\rangle\langle\Psi_j|)) \geq \sum_j p_j S(\mathcal{A}_{\kappa}^0[|\Psi_j\rangle\langle\Psi_j|]) \end{aligned}$$

$$S(\mathcal{A}_{\kappa}^0[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|]) \geq \sum_j p_j S(\mathcal{A}_{\kappa}^0[|\Psi_j\rangle\langle\Psi_j|])$$

Step V ITERATE THE ARGUMENT  $q$  times

$$S(\mathcal{A}_\kappa^0[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|]) \geq \sum_j p_j S(\mathcal{A}_\kappa^0[|\Psi_j\rangle\langle\Psi_j|])$$

$$\sum_j p_j |\Psi_j\rangle\langle\Psi_j| = [\mathcal{E}_{\eta'}^0]^q (|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|)$$

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} [\mathcal{E}_{\eta'}^0]^q [|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|] = |\emptyset\rangle\langle\emptyset|$$

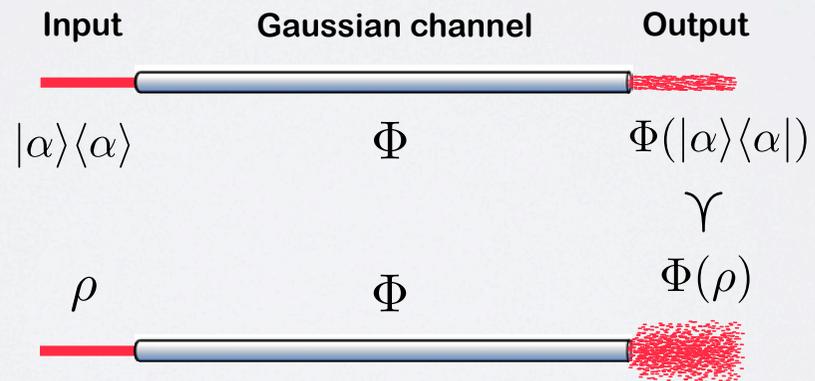
THE PURELY  
LOSSY  
CHANNEL IS  
MIXING:  
ITERATING IT  
MANY TIMES IT  
BRINGS ALL  
INPUT STATES  
TO THE  
VACUUM ....

$$S(\mathcal{A}_\kappa^0[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|]) \geq S(\mathcal{A}_\kappa^0[|\emptyset\rangle\langle\emptyset|])^*$$

\* needs to enforce continuity condition (use the mean energy constraint)

QED

## MAJORIZATION



a consequence: generalization of the  
Lieb, Solovej inequality

$$\int f(p_\rho(z)) \frac{d^{2s} z}{\pi^s} \geq \int f(p_{|\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha|}(z)) \frac{d^{2s} z}{\pi^s}$$

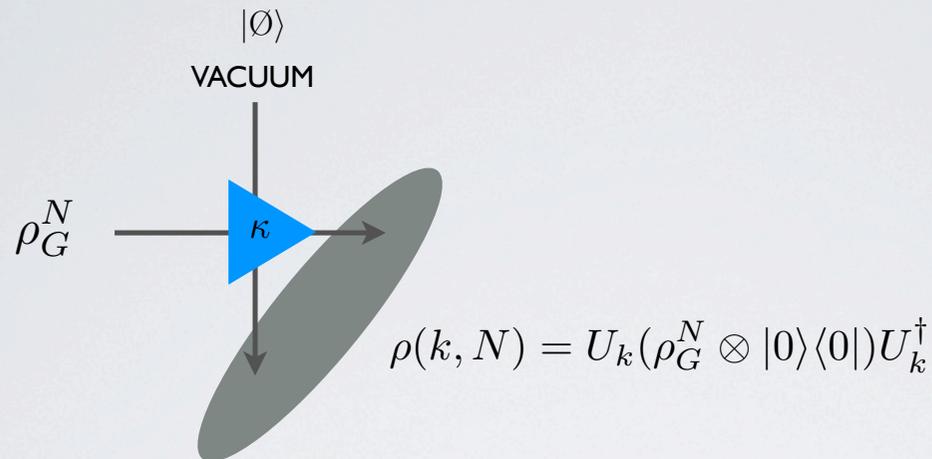
$$p_\rho(z) = \text{Tr}[\rho D(z) \rho_0 D^\dagger(z)]$$

$f(x)$  CONCAVE

↑  
PHASE INVARIANT  
GAUSSIAN STATE

TAKING  $\rho_0 = |\emptyset\rangle\langle\emptyset|$  THIS IS  
THE HUSIMI DISTRIBUTION

Lieb and Solovej (2012)  
Lieb (1978)



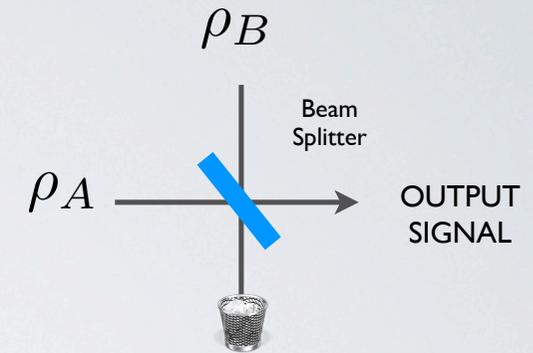
$$EoF(\rho(k, N)) \leq EoF(\rho(0, N)) = g(k - 1) \quad \text{Giedke, Wolf, Kruger, Werner, Cirac PRL 2003}$$

$$EoF(\rho(k, N)) = \inf_{p_j, |\psi_j\rangle} \sum_j p_j S(\mathcal{A}_k(|\psi_j\rangle\langle\psi_j|)) \geq S(\mathcal{A}_k(|0\rangle\langle 0|)) = EoF(\rho(0, N))$$

Matsumoto, Shimono,  
Winter, CMP 2004

**Entropy Power Inequality Conjecture** Smith, Koenig 2012

Given  $S_A$  and  $S_B$  input entropies of the device  
the following inequality holds



$$S(\rho_A) = S_A$$

$$S(\rho_B) = S_B$$

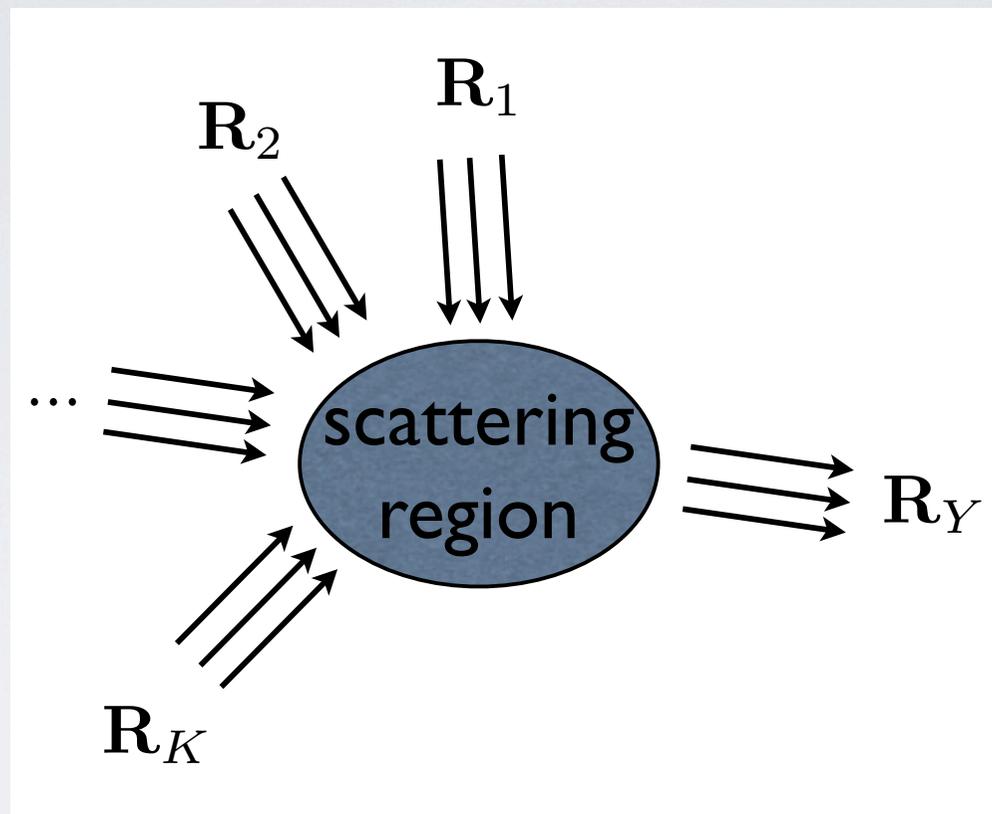
$$e^{S_C} \geq \eta e^{S_A} + (1 - \eta) e^{S_B}$$

PROVED FOR  $\eta = 1/2$  IN Smith, Koenig 2012



PROOF EXTENDED FOR ALL  $\eta$  AND GENERALIZED TO AMPLIFIER CHANNEL TO

$$e^{S_C} \geq \kappa e^{S_A} + (\kappa - 1) e^{S_B}$$



$$\exp\left(\frac{1}{n}S_Y\right) \geq \sum_{\alpha=1}^K |\det M_{\alpha}|^{\frac{1}{n}} \exp\left(\frac{1}{n}S_{\alpha}\right)$$

## Conclusions and Perspectives

A BUNCH OF CONJECTURES ON CV SYSTEMS HAVE BEEN RECENTLY SOLVED.

THE STRONGEST OF THEM IS THE MAJORIZATION CONJECTURE, e.g.

- STRONG CONVERSE FOR GAUSSIAN CHANNELS  
BARDHAN, GARCIA-PATRON, WILDE, WINTER [arXiv:1401.4161](#)
- CLASSICAL CAPACITY OF MEMORY GAUSSIAN BOSONIC CHANNELS  
DEPALMA, MARI, GIOVANNETTI [arXiv:1404.1767](#)

OPEN QUESTIONS:

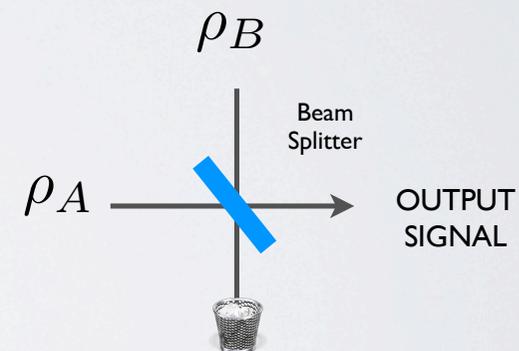
i. STILL ON THE CHASE for the ENTROPY PHOTON NUMBER INEQUALITY CONJECTURE ....

$$N_C \geq \eta N_A + (1 - \eta) N_B$$

photon numbers associated with the  
Gaussian state which have  
the SAME entropy of the state

ii. CONTINUITY ....

iii. CAPACITY FORMULAS FOR NON PHASE-INVARIANT CHANNELS



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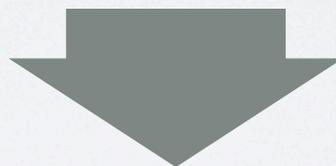
repeat the same procedure for arbitrary (**strictly**) concave functionals of the output states of the channel ...

STEPS I, II, III, IV as before ....

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}_\kappa^0[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|]) = \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}_\kappa^0 \circ \mathcal{E}_{\eta'}^0[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|]) \geq \sum_j p_j \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{A}_\kappa^0[|\Psi_j\rangle\langle\Psi_j|])$$

IF  $|\Psi\rangle$  MINIMIZE THE FUNCTIONAL SO ALSO  $\mathcal{E}_{\eta'}^0(|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|) = \sum_j p_j |\Psi_j\rangle\langle\Psi_j|$  MUST DO THE SAME.

BUT  $\mathcal{F}$  IS STRICTLY CONCAVE, HENCE  $\mathcal{E}_{\eta'}^0[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|]$  MUST BE PURE.



THE ONLY STATES WHICH REMAIN PURE UNDER A LOSSY MAP ARE THE COHERENT STATES

Aharonov et al. (1966)

Asboth et al. (2005)

Jiang et al. (2013)