



Distributed quantum dense coding

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Motivation and Outline

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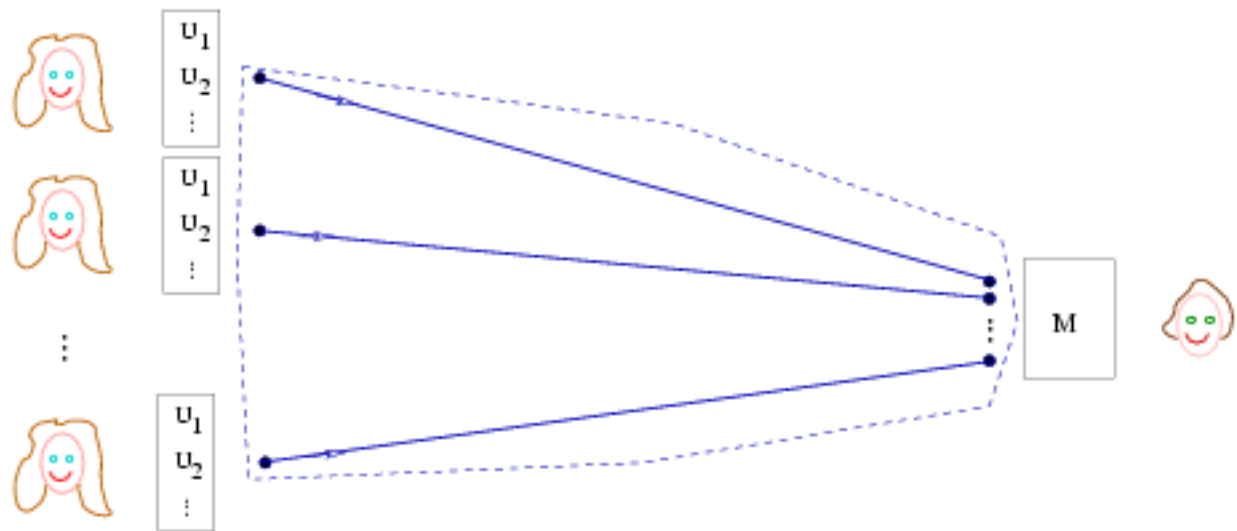
- * Which states are **useful** for dense coding?
- * Equivalence of dense coding and quantum **teleportation**?
- * Generalization to **multipartite** scenario

Dense coding with bipartite systems:

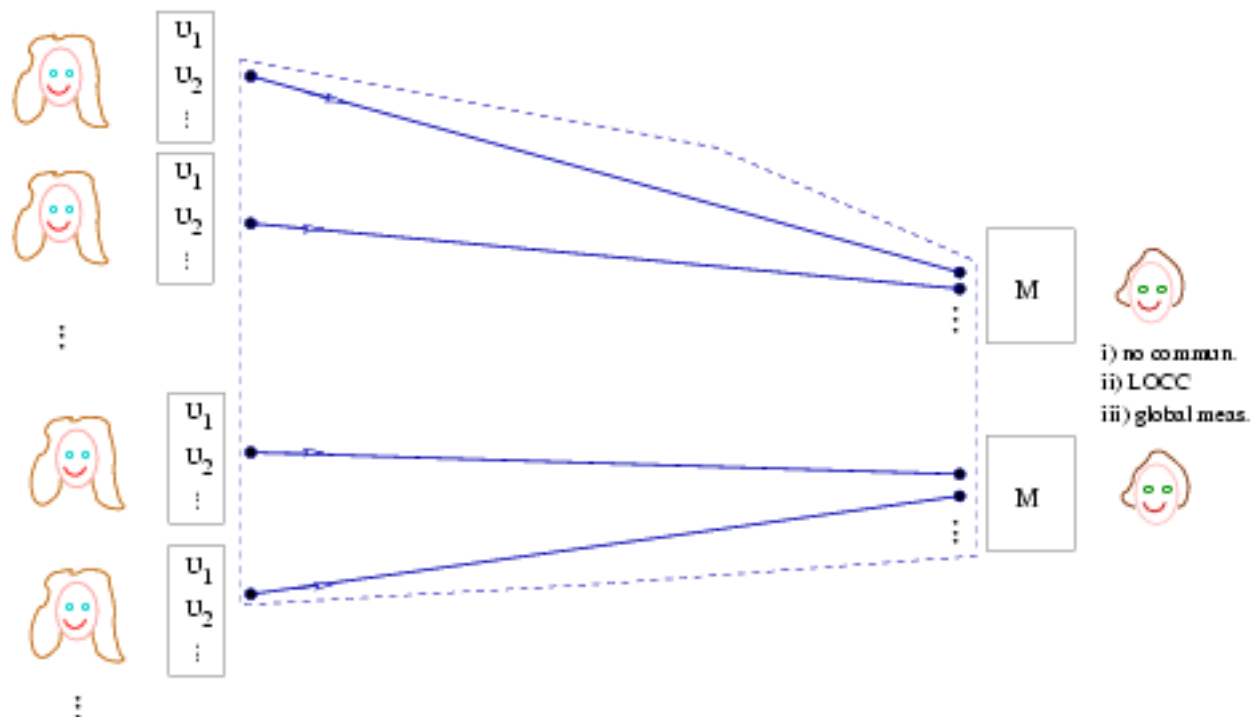


Multipartite scenario

N senders:



2 receivers:



I. Dense coding with bipartite systems

Superdense coding with 2 qubits:

C.H. Bennett and S.J. Wiesner, Phys. Rev. Lett. 69, 2881 (1992).



“encode 2 classical bits into 1 qubit + entanglement”

The protocol:

0. Alice + Bob share $|\psi^-\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle - |10\rangle)$
1. Alice: $U_i \in \{\mathbb{1}, \sigma_x, \sigma_y, \sigma_z\}$ with $p_i = 1/4$
2. Bob: Bell measurement \rightsquigarrow 2 bits of info

Dense coding with higher dim. bipartite states

The protocol:

0. Alice + Bob share ρ^{AB}

1. Alice:

$$\rho^{AB} \xrightarrow{\{U_i\}} \{p_i, \rho_i^{AB}\}$$

with $\rho_i^{AB} = U_i \otimes I_{d_B} \rho^{AB} U_i^\dagger \otimes I_{d_B}$

2. Bob: Holevo bound for Bob's info

$$S(\bar{\rho}) - \sum_i p_i S(\rho_i^{AB}) = \sum_i p_i S(\rho_i^{AB} \parallel \bar{\rho})$$

with

$$S(\xi) = -\text{tr}(\xi \log \xi) \quad \text{von Neumann entropy}$$

$$S(\rho \parallel \xi) = \text{tr}(\rho \log \rho - \rho \log \xi) \quad \text{relative entropy}$$

$$\bar{\rho} = \sum_i p_i \rho_i^{AB} \quad \text{average state}$$

Capacity of dense coding:

$$\chi = \max_{\{U_i\}, \{p_i\}} \sum_i p_i S(\rho_i^{AB} \parallel \bar{\rho})$$

Capacity of bipartite dense coding

Lemma: Maximal information transfer is reached for complete set of orthogonal unitary operators $\{W_i\}$ with $\frac{1}{d_A^2} \sum_j W_j^\dagger \Xi W_j = \text{Tr}[\Xi] \mathbb{1}$ for all Ξ , and $p_i = 1/d_A^2$.

Proof: [see T. Hiroshima, J. Phys. A **34**, 6907 (2001)]

Step 1.

$$\rho^{AB} \xrightarrow{\{W_i\}} \left\{ \frac{1}{d_A^2}, \rho'_i \right\}$$

with $\rho'_i = W_i \otimes I_{d_B} \rho^{AB} W_i^\dagger \otimes I_{d_B}$

Average state: $\bar{\rho}' = \frac{1}{d_A} I_{d_A} \otimes \rho^B$

Capacity: $\chi' = \frac{1}{d_A^2} \sum_i S(\rho'_i \parallel \bar{\rho}')$

Step 2.

Consider arbitrary U : $\sigma_{AB} = U \otimes I_{d_B} \rho^{AB} U^\dagger \otimes I_{d_B}$

\rightsquigarrow Capacity: $\chi' = S(\sigma_{AB} \parallel \bar{\rho}')$

Step 3.

Consider arbitrary ensemble

$$\mathcal{E} = \{p_i, \rho_i = U_i \otimes I_{d_B} \rho^{AB} U_i^\dagger \otimes I_{d_B}\}$$

with capacity $\chi_{\mathcal{E}} = \sum_i p_i S(\rho_i \parallel \bar{\rho})$

Donald's identity:

$$\chi' = \sum_i p_i S(\rho_i \parallel \bar{\rho}) + S(\bar{\rho} \parallel \bar{\rho}') = \chi_{\mathcal{E}} + S(\bar{\rho} \parallel \bar{\rho}') \geq \chi_{\mathcal{E}}$$

\rightsquigarrow Capacity of bipartite dense coding:

$$\chi = \log_2 d_A + S(\rho^B) - S(\rho^{AB})$$

Dense codeability

A state is **useful for dense coding** (dense codeable) if

$$\chi > \log_2 d_A \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad S(\rho^B) > S(\rho^{AB}) \quad [*]$$

Observations and conclusions:

- Separable states: $[*]$ is never fulfilled
- $[*] \rightsquigarrow \rho^{AB}$ violates reduction criterion

K. Vollbrecht and M. Wolf, quant-ph/0202058

(remember reduction criterion: $I_{d_A} \otimes \rho^B \geq \rho^{AB}$)

$\rightsquigarrow \rho^{AB}$ is distillable

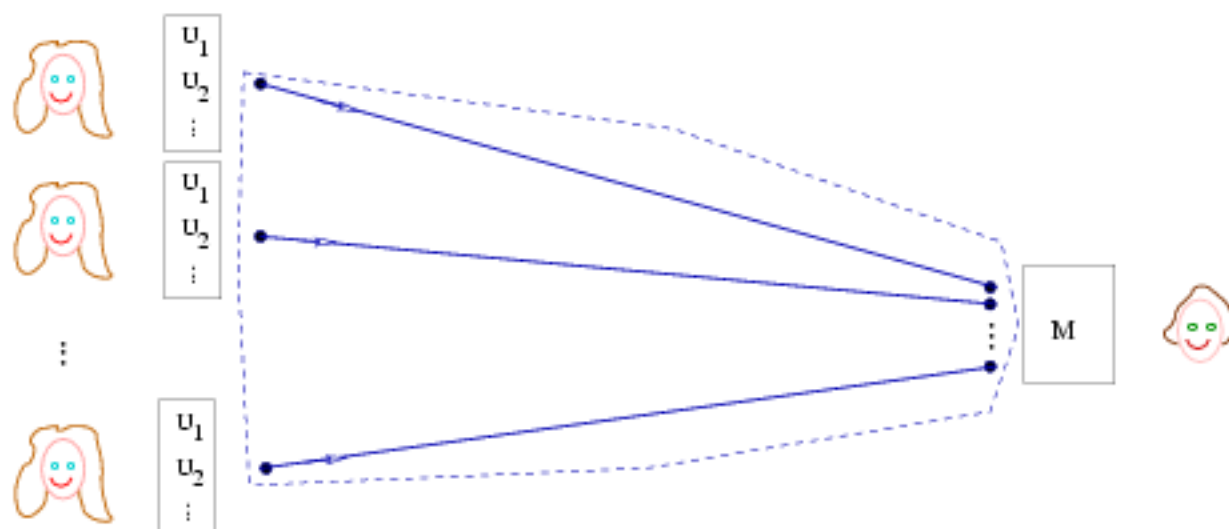
*M. Horodecki and P. Horodecki, Phys. Rev. A **59**, 4206 (1999)*

\rightsquigarrow **bound entanglement** not useful for dense coding

(for $d \times d$: see *M. Horodecki et al, Quant. Inf. Comp. **1**, 70 (2001)*)

- Any **pure** bipartite entangled state useful for DC
- \exists **mixed entangled** states in 2×2 , which are **not** useful for DC (e.g. Werner states with $F < 0.748$)
 \rightsquigarrow dense coding and teleportation are **inequivalent!**

II. Distributed dense coding: N senders



The protocol:

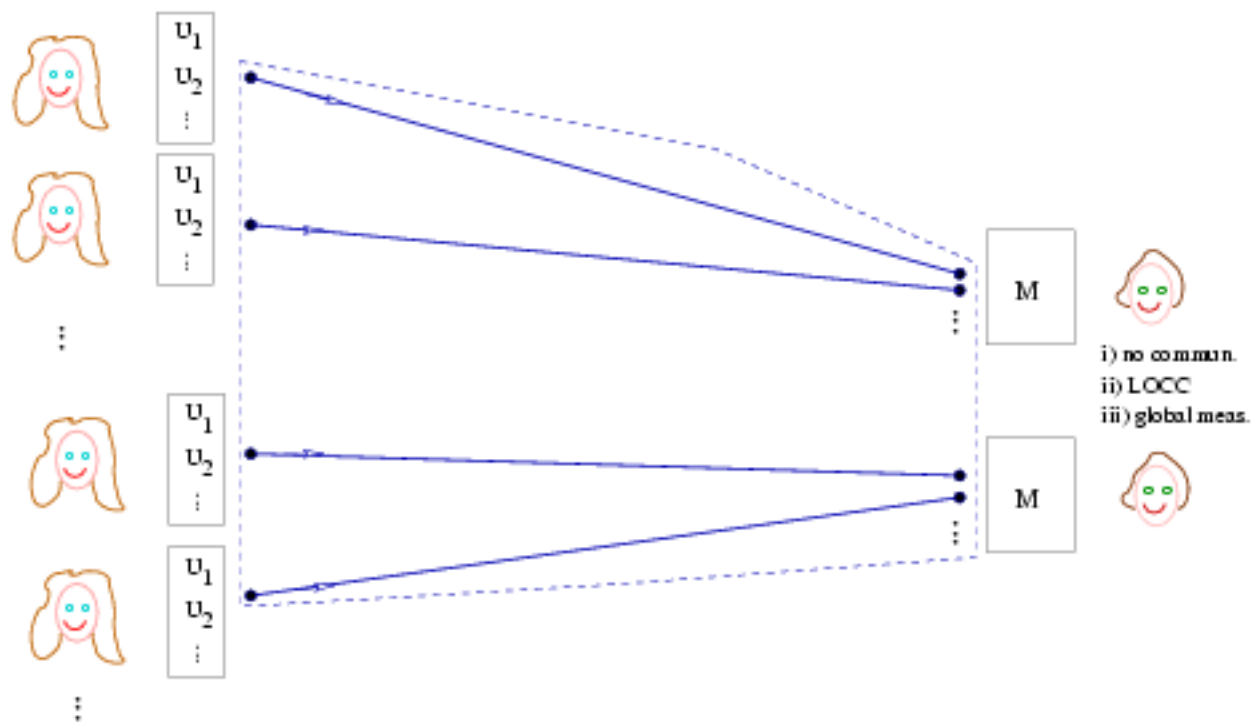
0. N Alices + Bob share $\rho^{A_1 \dots A_N B}$
1. j th Alice: apply $U_{i_j}^{A_j}$ with probability $p_{i_j}^{A_j}$, joint action?
2. Bob: global measurement, Holevo bound can be achieved for **product encodings**
 \rightsquigarrow complete orthogonal *local* set $\{W_i = \otimes_j W_{i_j}^{A_j}\}$

Capacity of dense coding with single receiver:

$$\chi^{A_1 \dots A_N B} = \log_2 d_{A_1} + \dots + \log_2 d_{A_N} + S(\rho^B) - S(\rho^{A_1 \dots A_N B})$$

Surprisingly: Alices do **not** need to perform **global** unitaries to achieve capacity!

III. Distributed dense coding: 2 receivers



0. N Alices + 2 Bobs share $\rho^{A_1 \dots A_N B_1 B_2}$
1. j th Alice: apply $U_{i_j}^{A_j}$ with probability $p_{i_j}^{A_j}$
 A_1, \dots, A_k sends to B_1 ; A_{k+1}, \dots, A_N sends to B_2
2. Bobs:
 - i) no communication: \rightsquigarrow DC capacities are additive
 - ii) **LOCC**: \rightsquigarrow Holevo-like upper bound

P. Badziąg, M. Horodecki, A. Sen(De), and U. Sen, Phys. Rev. Lett. 91, 117901 (2003)

- iii) global measurement: \rightsquigarrow one receiver

Bounds on LOCC-capacity of DC with 2 receivers:

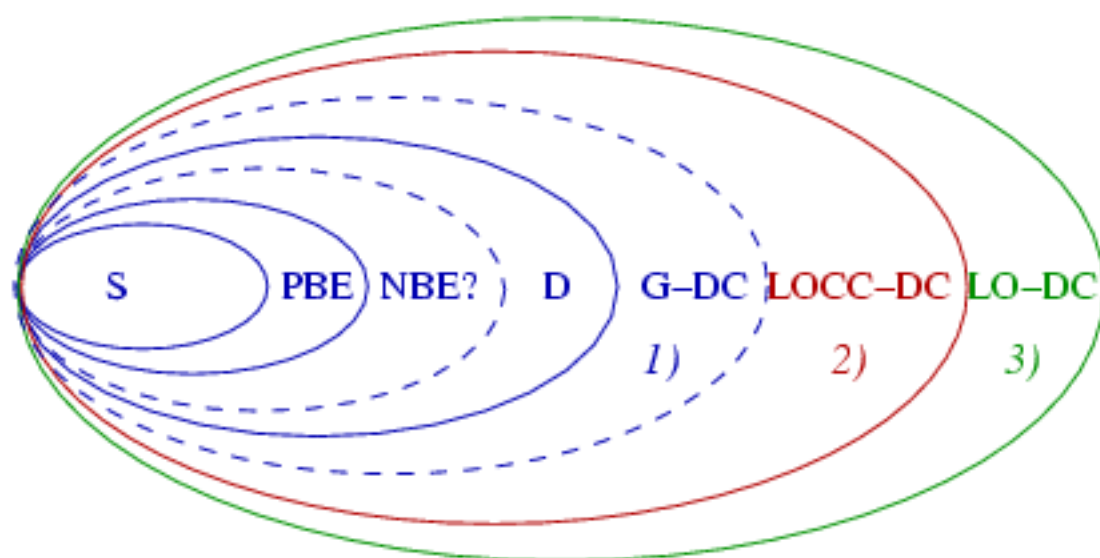
$$\chi^{LOCC} \geq \chi^{B_1} + \chi^{B_2} = \chi^{B_1 B_2}$$

$$\chi^{LOCC} \leq \log d_{A_1} + \dots + \log d_{A_N} + S(\rho^{B_1 B_2}) - S(\rho) = \chi^{glob}$$

$$\chi^{LOCC} \leq \log d_{A_1} + \dots + \log d_{A_N}$$

$$+ S(\rho^{B_1}) + S(\rho^{B_2}) - \max_{x=1,2} S(\rho^x) \equiv \mathcal{B}^{LOCC}$$

Classification scheme: Dense codeability



Examples:

1) G-DC, but not LOCC-DC:

$$|\psi_{VDDV}\rangle = \frac{1}{2} (|0000\rangle + |0101\rangle + |1000\rangle + |1110\rangle)$$

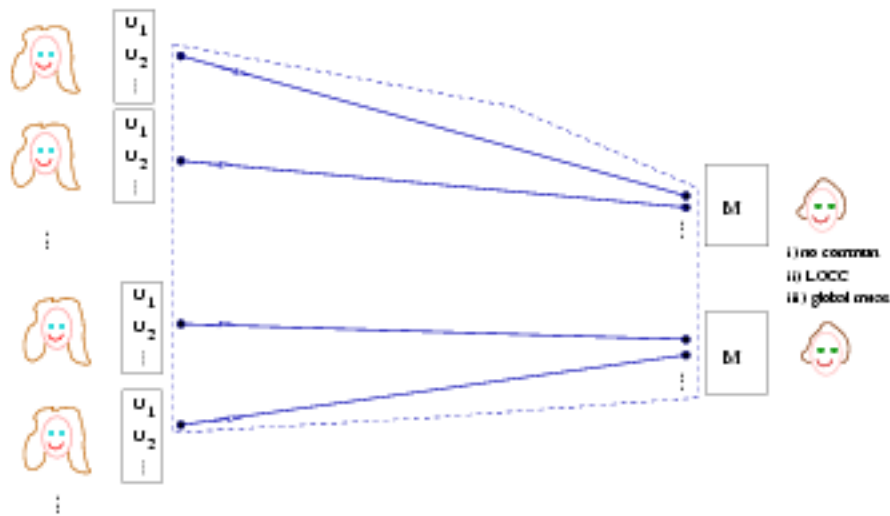
2) LOCC-DC, but not LO-DC:

$$|\psi_{GHZ}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0000\rangle + |1111\rangle) \rightsquigarrow \chi^{LOCC} = 3$$

3) LO-DC:

$$|\psi_{2Bell}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|00\rangle + |11\rangle) \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

Summary



- * Dense coding capacity for **bipartite** systems
- * DC capacity for **N senders**, 1 receiver
- * DC capacity for **2 receivers**: upper bound
- * DC is **not equivalent** to quantum teleportation
- * **Classification scheme**: Dense codeability

Open problems

- * More than **2 receivers**?
- * Convexity of **G-DC** border?
- * \exists multipartite bound entangled states for **DC**?
- * is $|W\rangle_{A_1 A_2 B_1 B_2}$ in **LOCC-DC**?