

Theoretical foundations of Quantum Information

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Quantum technologies within INFN: status and perspectives

Outline

- Short presentation of QUIT group
- Practical application: quantum tomography algorithm for x-ray medical tomography
- Theoretical tool: the “quantum comb”
- Foundations: “Information” as a paradigm for QT and QFT



QJit contributions to qu-info

QI TOOLS

quantum tomography of states, transformations and measurements (ancilla-assisted tomography)

QUANTUM ENTANGLEMENT

entanglement as a tool for improving the precision of q-measurements → quantum metrology

first entanglement witness schemes

entanglement transmission on noisy channels with correlated noise

QUANTUM COMPUTING

first encodings for quantum error correction

new quantum algorithms

“hyper-graph states” used for quantum computation

quantum memory channels

QUANTUM CRYPTOGRAPHY

quantum private queries

quantum privacy amplification in the presence of noise

INFORMATION THEORY

no info without disturbance

bosonic channel capacity with noise

NEW DEVICES FOR HIGH SENSITIVITY MEASUREMENTS (QUANTUM METROLOGY)

quantum radars

quantum GPS

quantum frequency measurements

OPTIMISATION OF PROTOCOLS

broadcasting/cloning of states

phase-estimation for mixed states

estimation/discrimination of states and transformations

cloning of phase-states, general states, and transformations

quantum learning of transformation

OPTIMISATION METHODS

the “quantum comb”: general method for optimisation of for quantum circuit architecture (quantum processing, algorithms, protocols, ...)

QUANTUM DEVICES

quantum RAM

new uncertainty relations

FOUNDATIONS OF QT, QFT AND IT

information-theoretic postulates for QT and for Free QFT

“comb” notion for a new understanding of causality, with impact on:

quantum causal inference

causal discovery algorithms

reconciliation of QT with GR (causal structure itself as dynamical)

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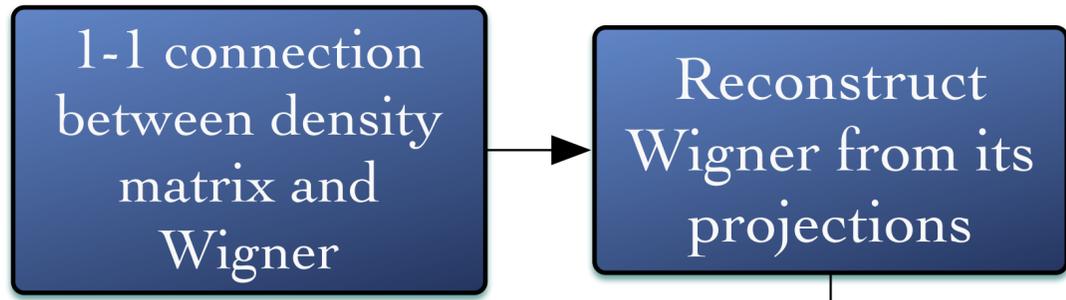
Practical application: quantum tomography algorithm for x-ray medical tomography

Lorenzo Maccone PI, GMD, Nicola Mosco (UniPV)

Giampaolo Stopazzolo (Director Department of Health IT Vicenza, ULSS 8 Berica, Vicenza)

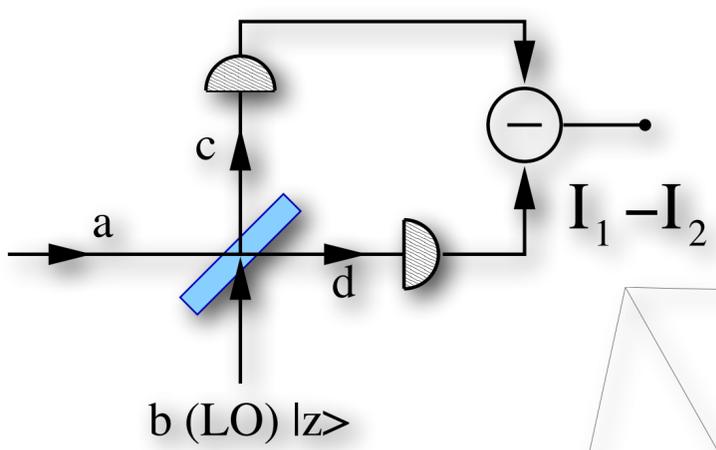
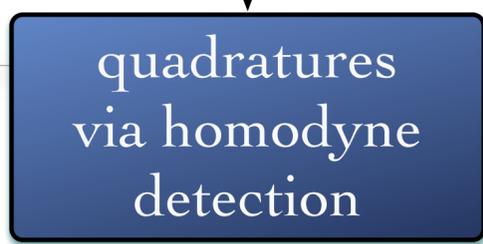
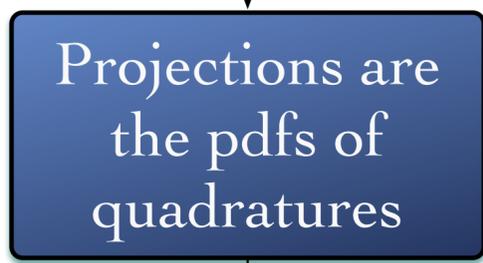
Collaboration with Siemens (Thomas Flohr, Forchheim, Germany)

QUANTUM HOMODYNE TOMOGRAPHY OF THE RADIATION STATE

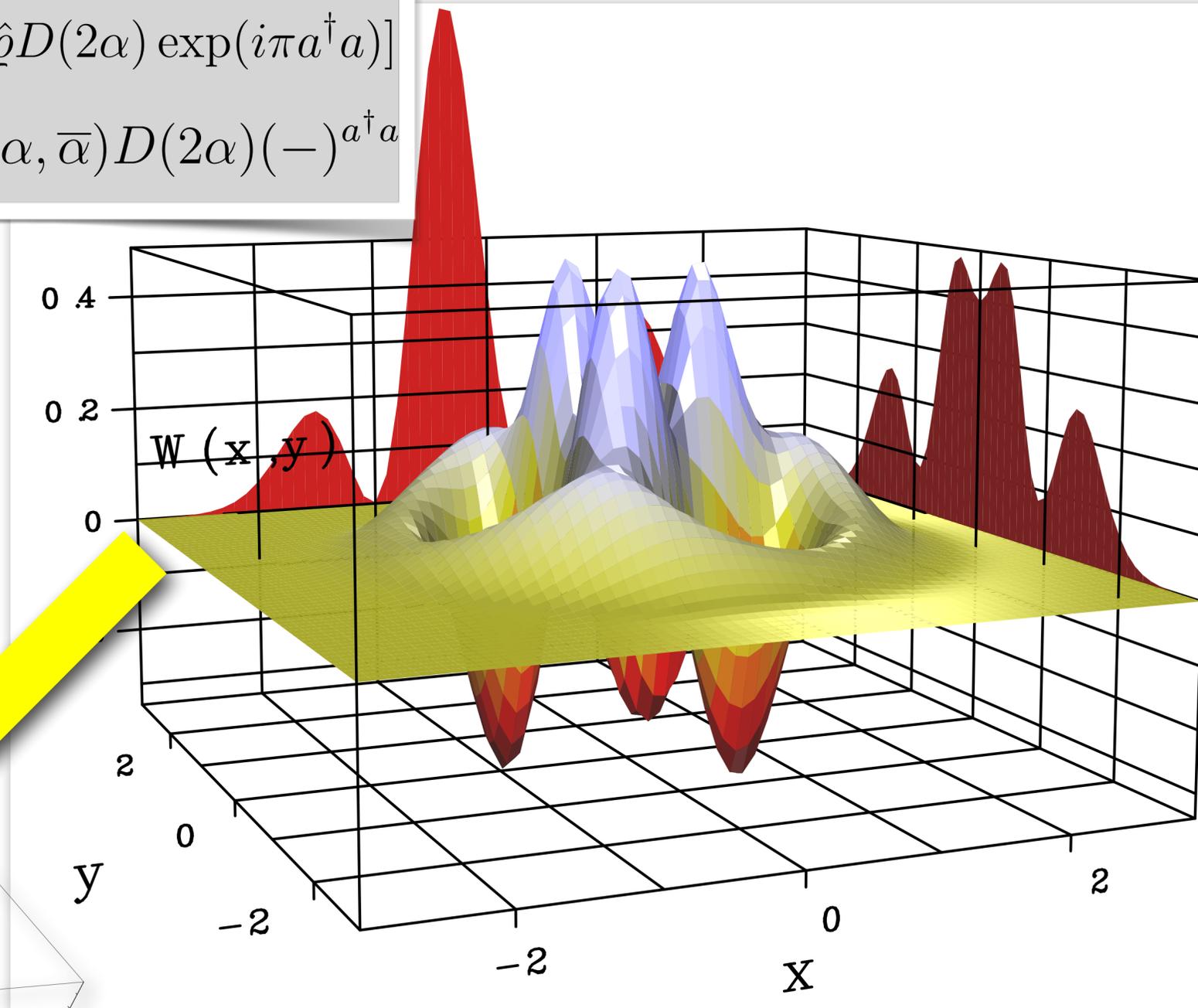


$$W(\alpha, \bar{\alpha}) = \frac{2}{\pi} \text{Tr}[\hat{\rho} D(2\alpha) \exp(i\pi a^\dagger a)]$$

$$\hat{\rho} = 2 \int d^2\alpha W(\alpha, \bar{\alpha}) D(2\alpha) (-)^{a^\dagger a}$$



$$\hat{x}_\phi = \frac{1}{2}(a^\dagger e^{i\phi} + a e^{-i\phi})$$

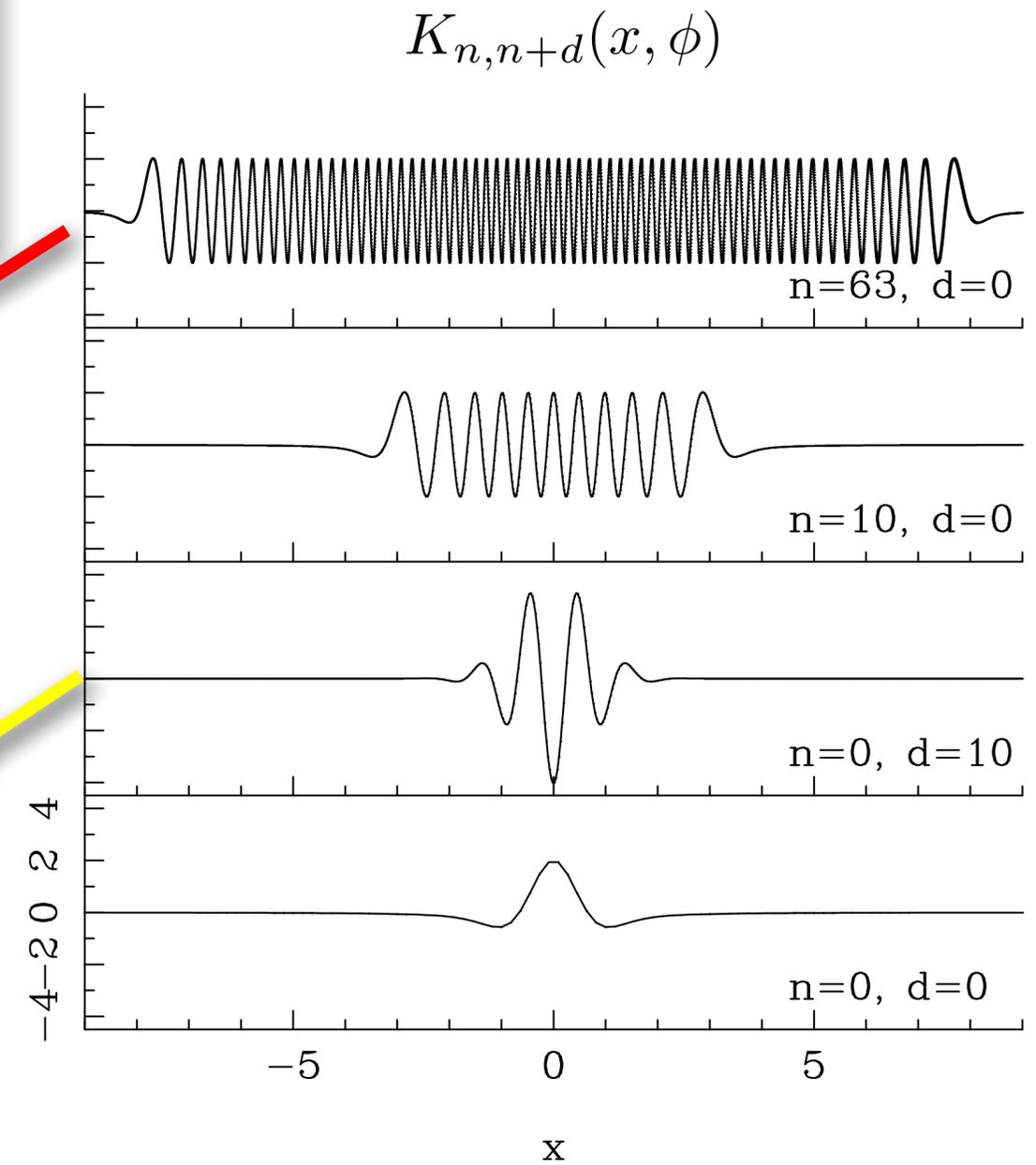
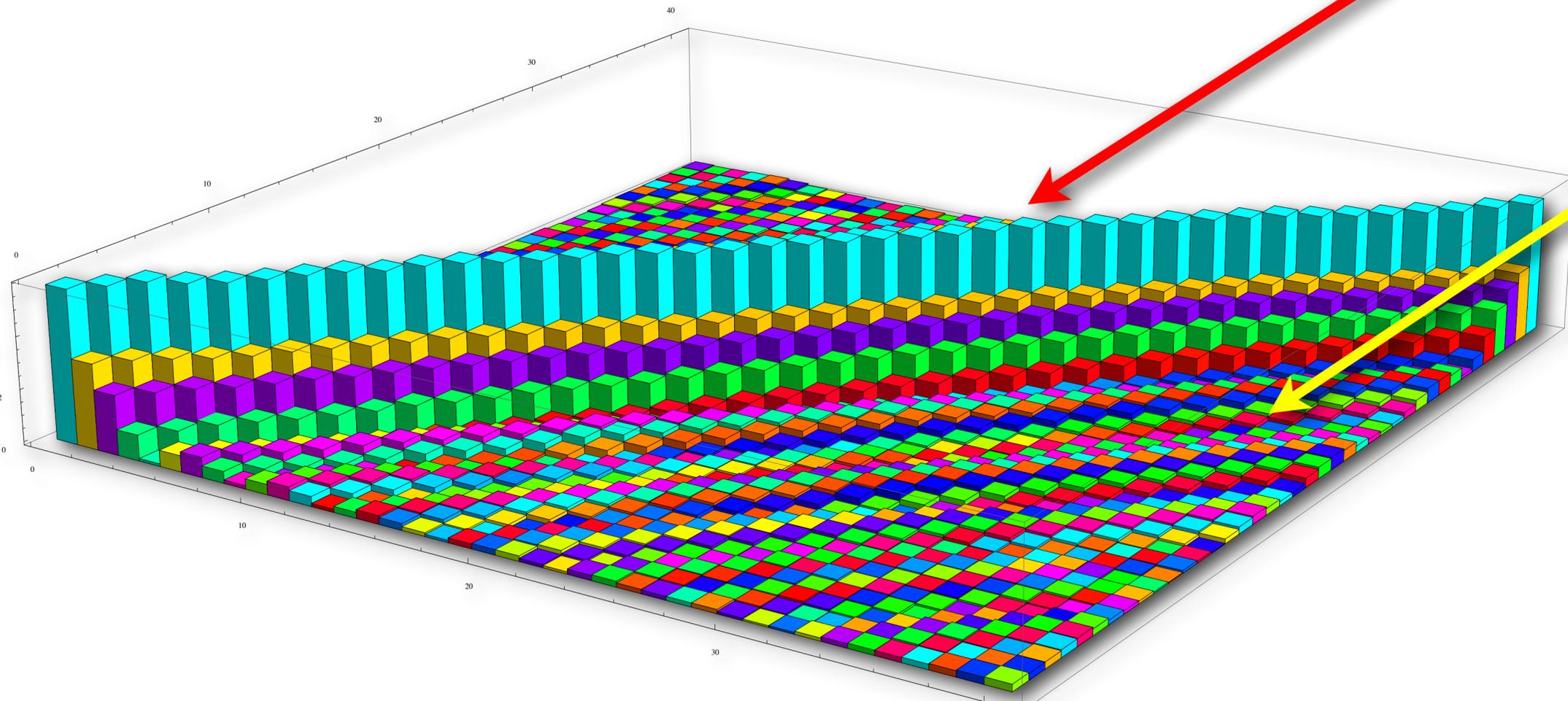


Density matrix


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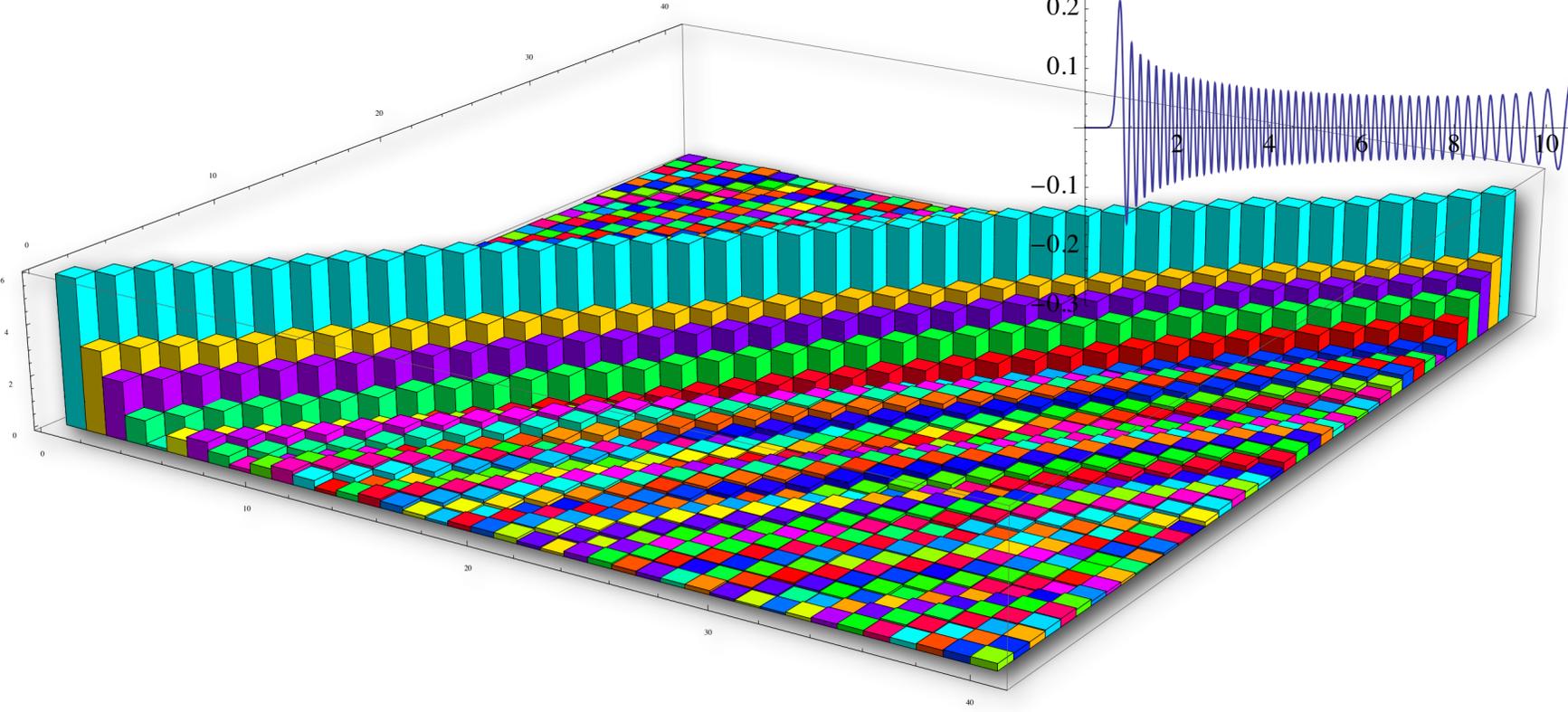
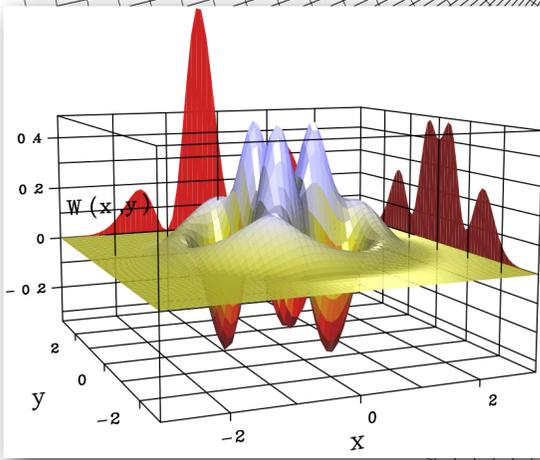
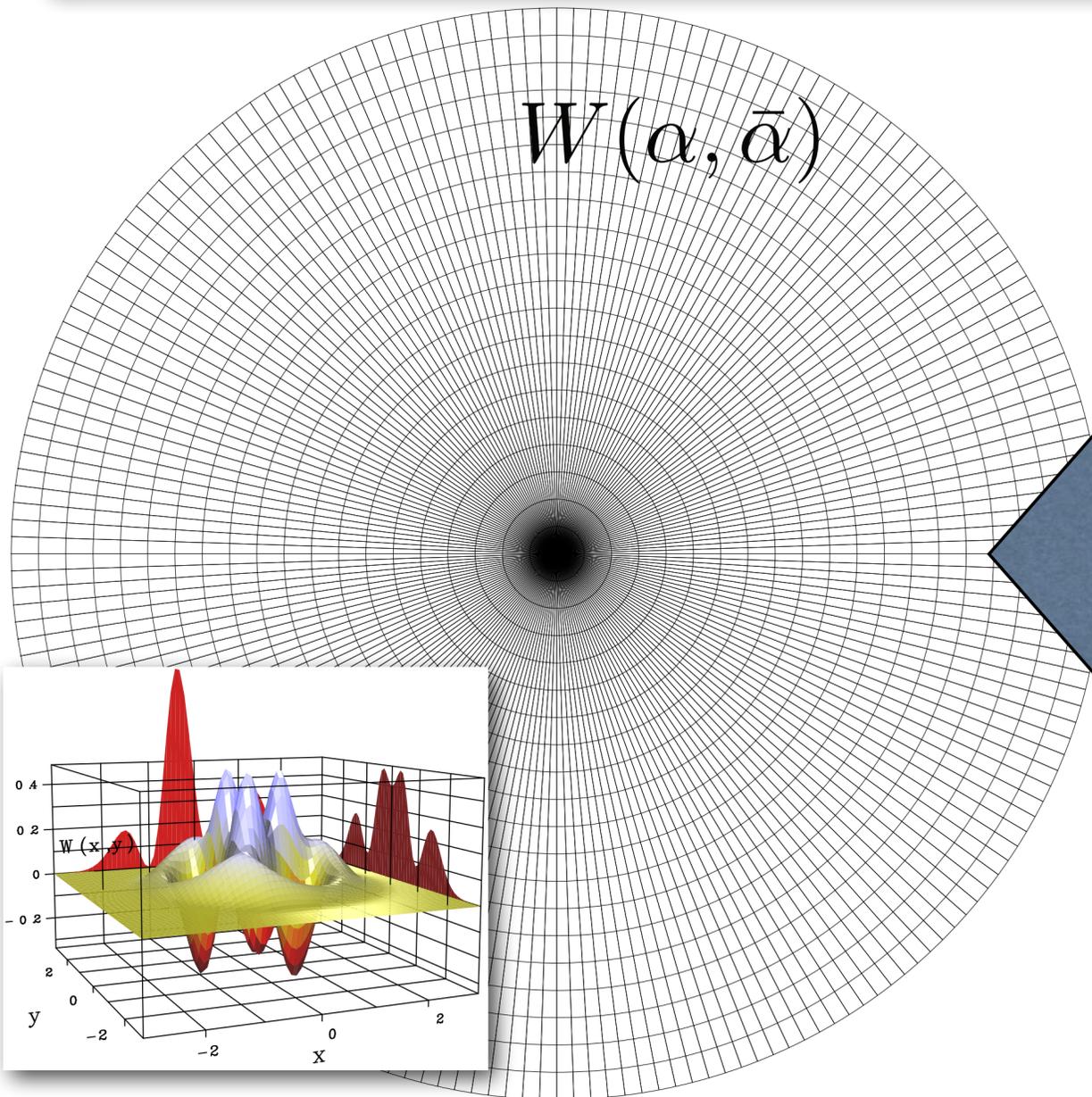
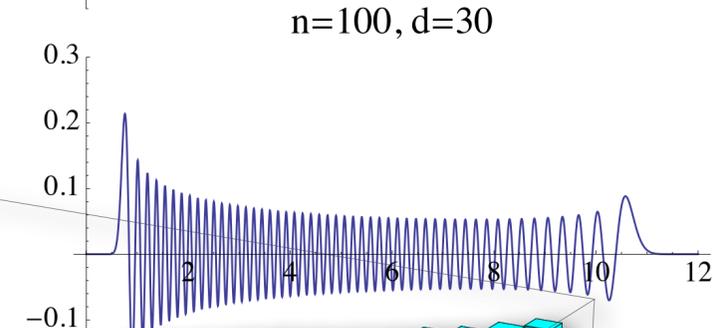
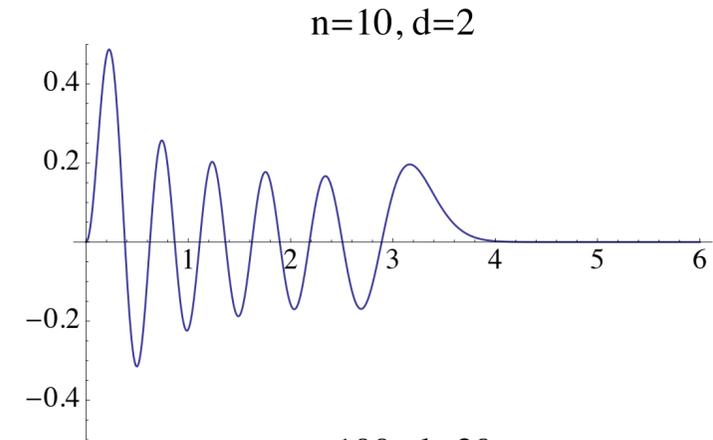
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$$\rho_{n,n+d} = \int_0^\pi \frac{d\phi}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dx p(x, \phi) K_{n,n+d}(x, \phi)$$



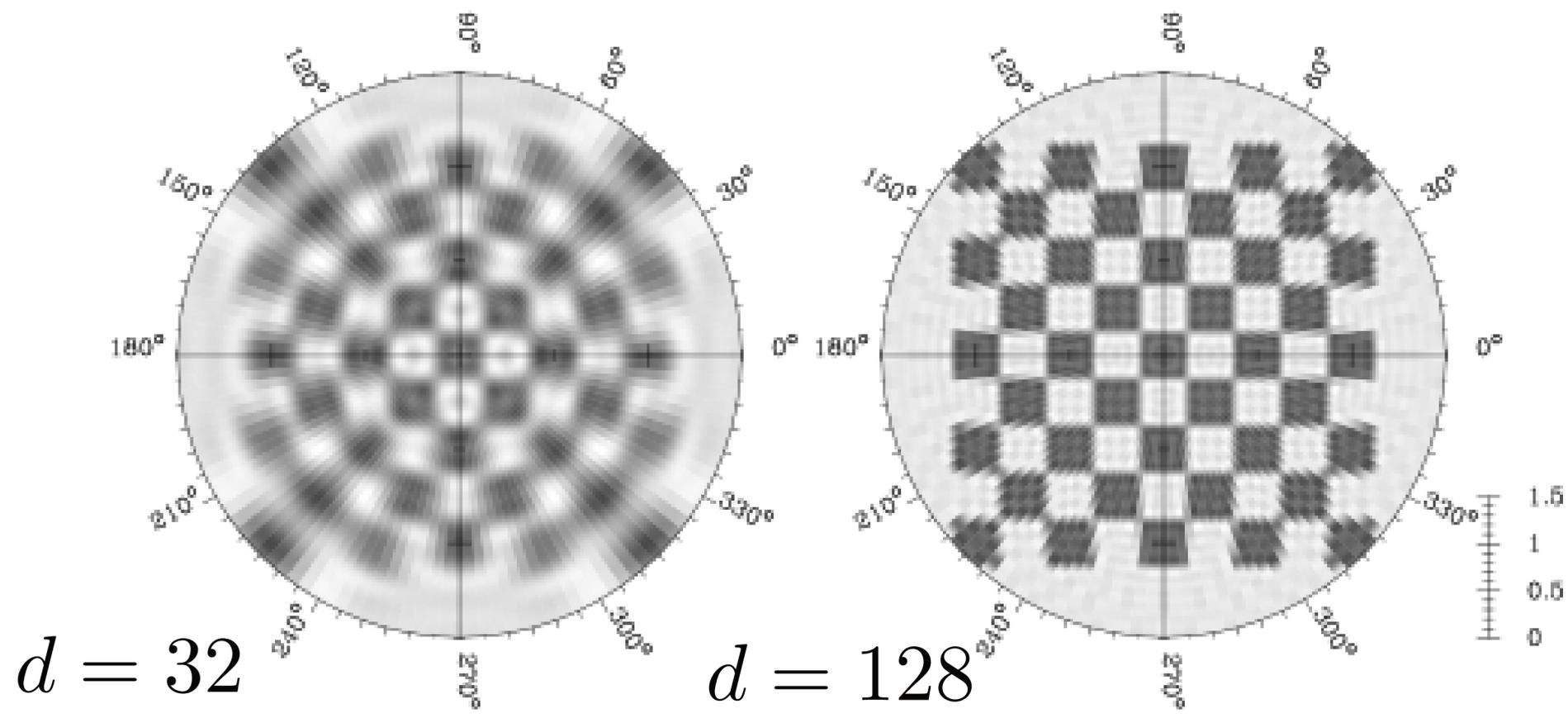
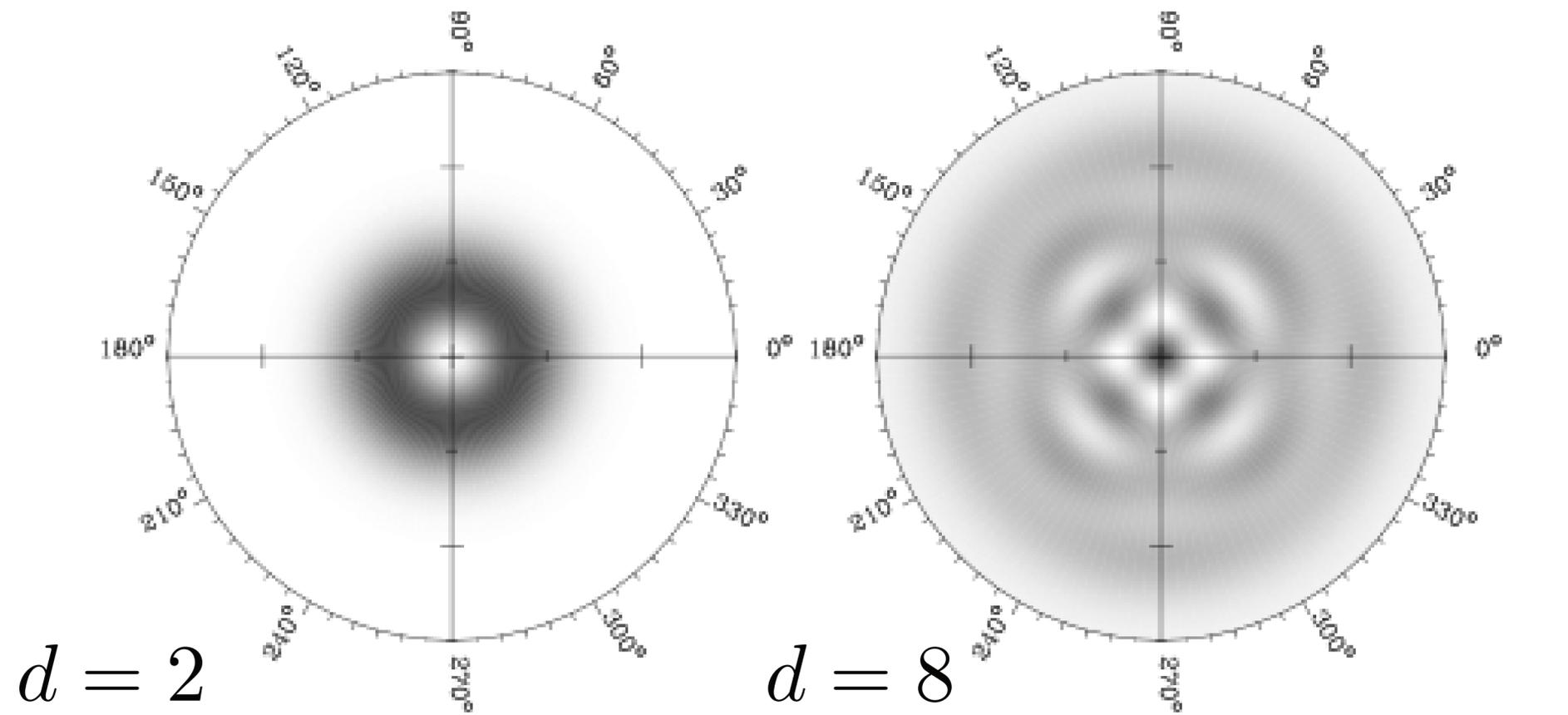
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$$W(\alpha, \bar{\alpha}) = \text{Re} \sum_{d=0}^{\infty} e^{id \arg(\alpha)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Lambda(n, d; |\alpha|^2) \varrho_{n, n+d}$$

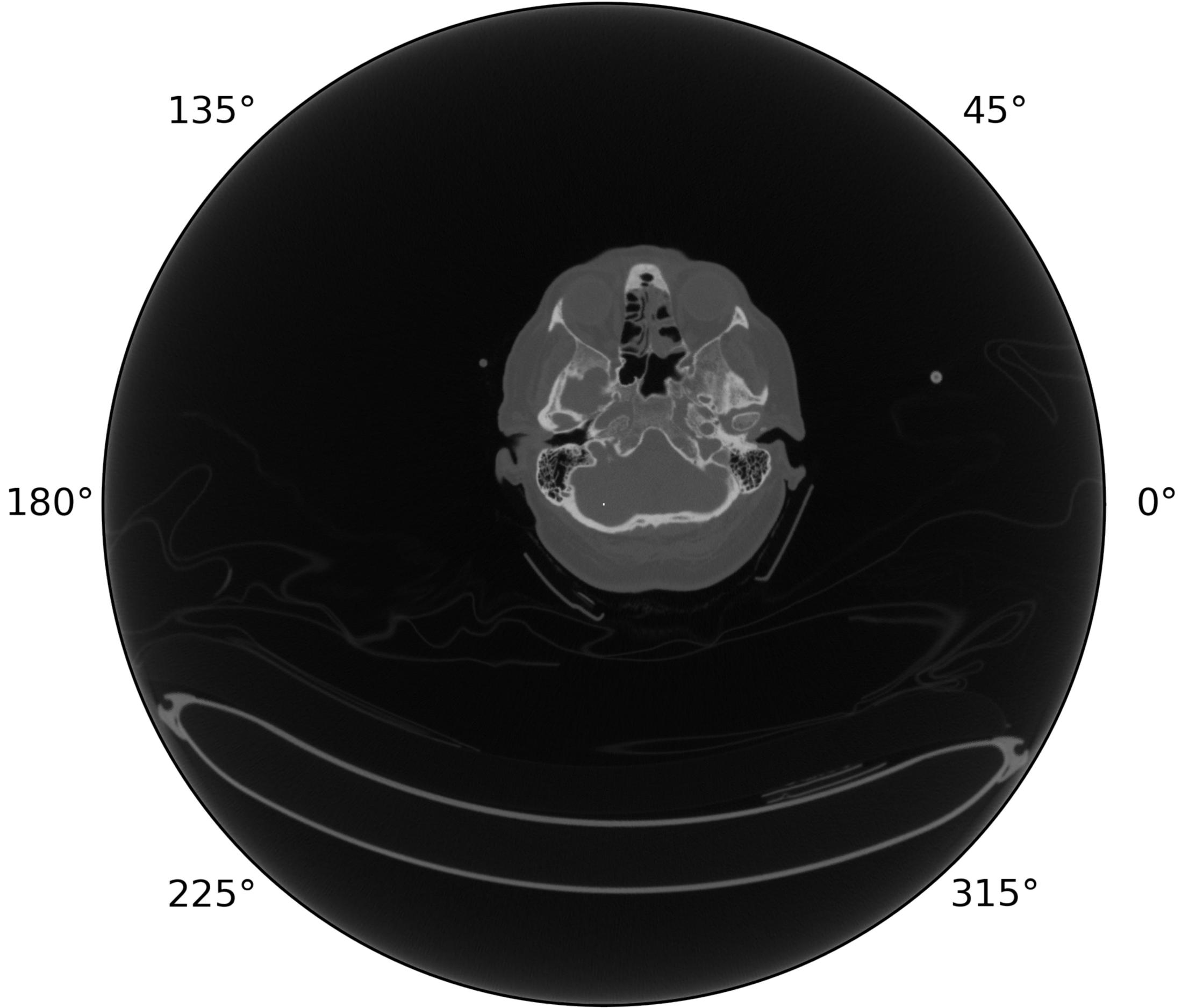


- Structurally very parallelisable algorithm
- Image analysis in polar coordinates

Truncation of the density matrix



d=2048



Sinogram from SIEMENS

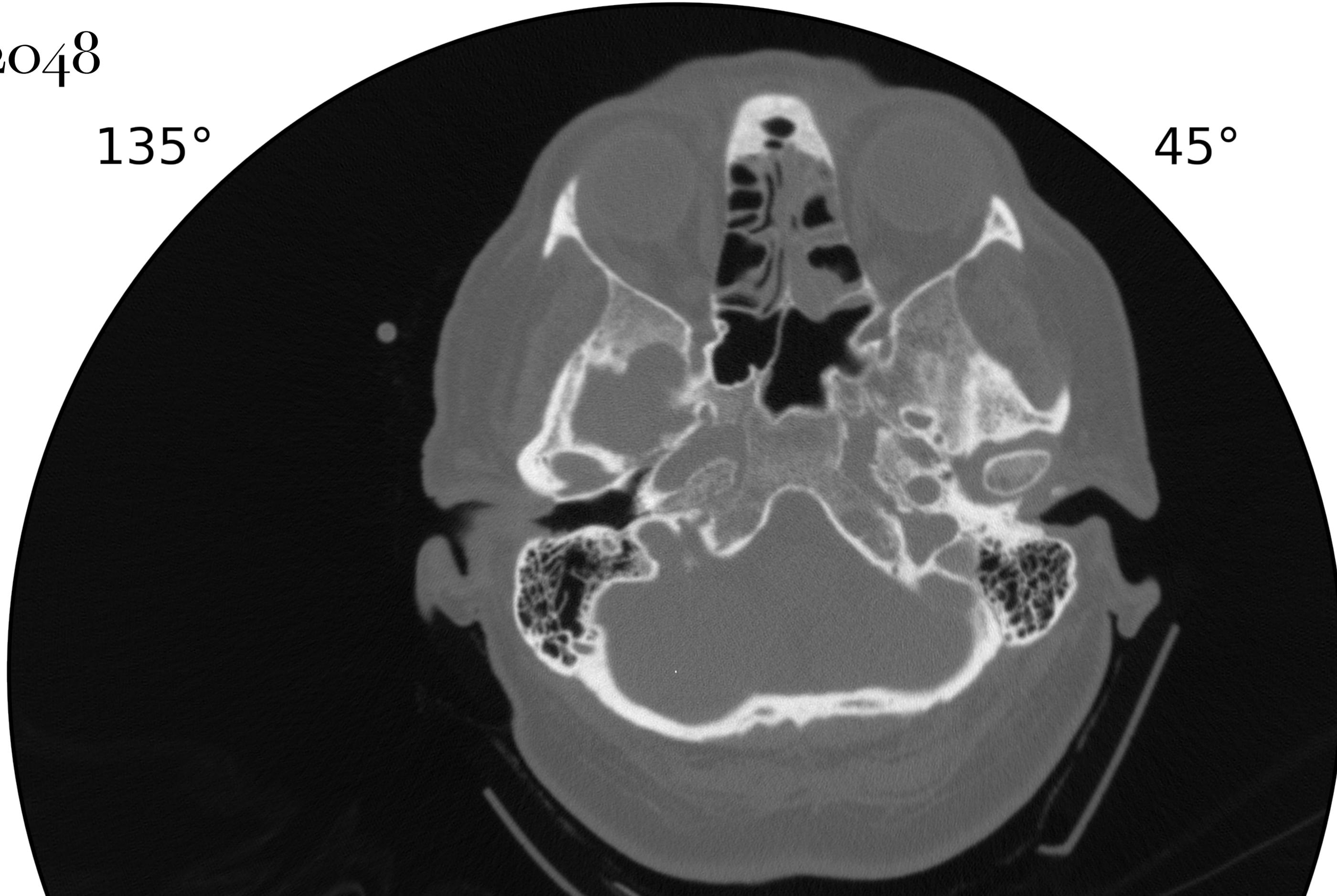
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135°

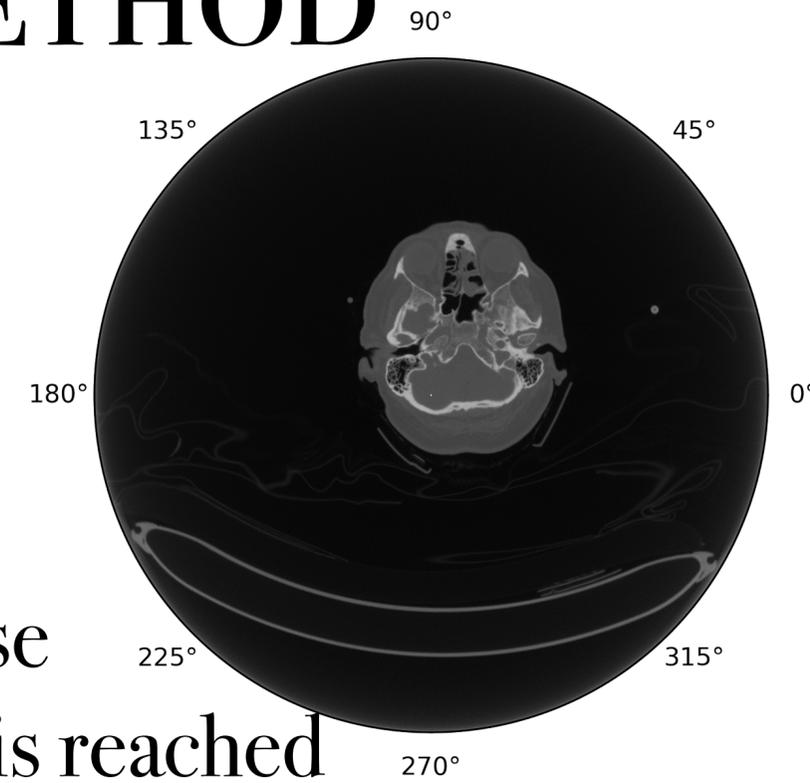
45°

180°

Sinogram from SIEMENS
 0°



POSSIBLE ADVANTAGES OF THE METHOD



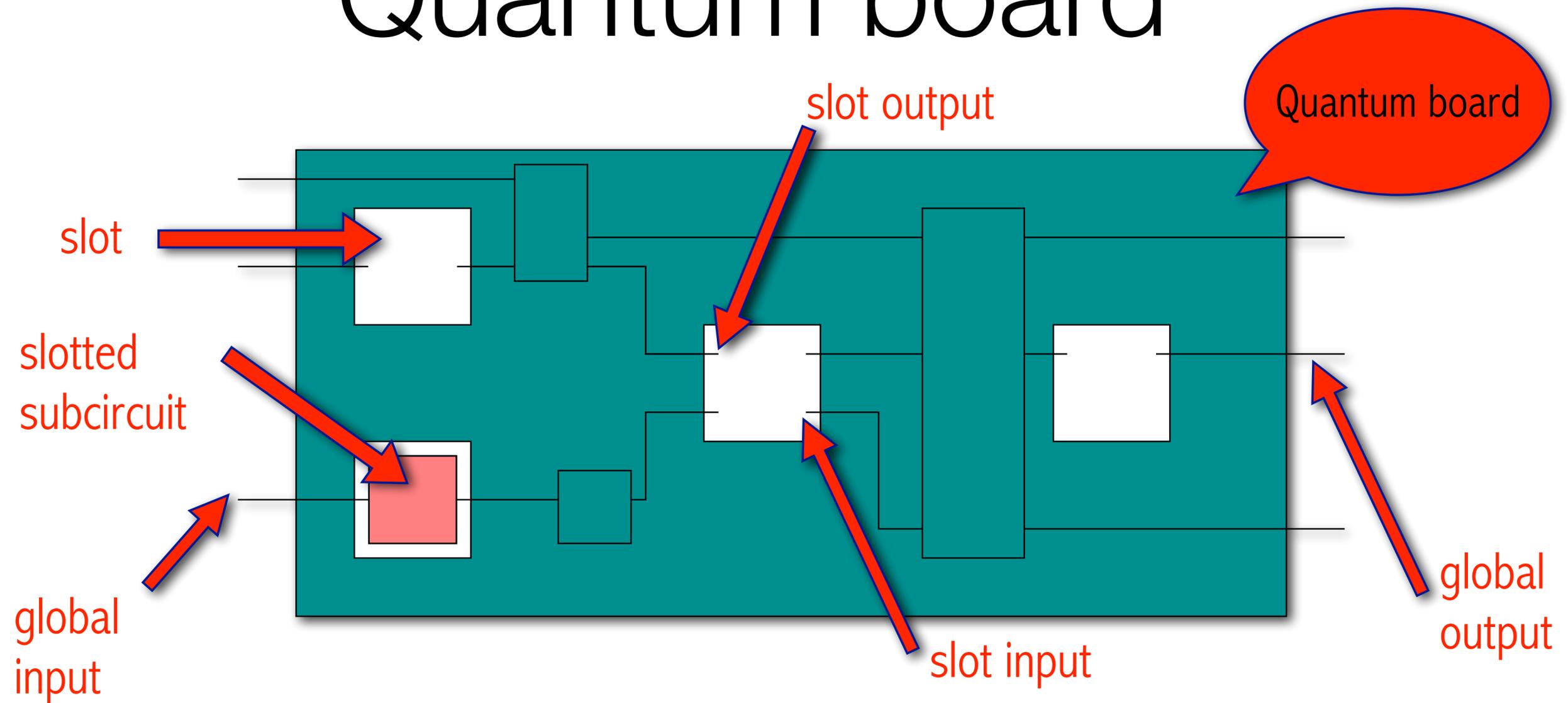
- Suitable to photo counting detectors imaging in view of x-ray low-dose
- Acquisition can be stopped on the fly when a sufficient level of detail is reached
- Further iterative/adaptive reconstruction techniques can be used
- Tests needed to check if the method outperforms the inverse Radon for very low radiation doses with single photon detectors

Theoretical tool: the quantum comb

With P. Perinotti and G. Chiribella (HK)

Quantum Circuits Architecture, Phys. Rev. Lett. 101 060401 (2008)

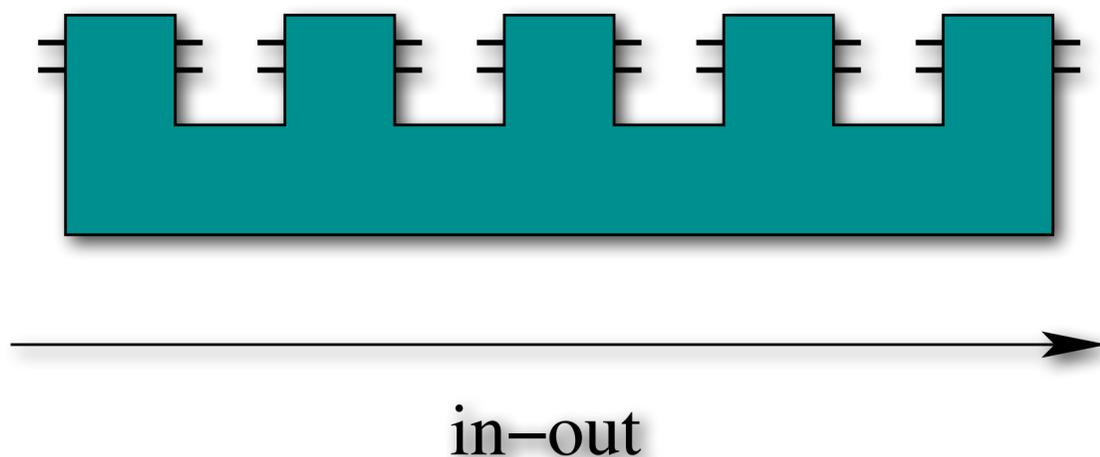
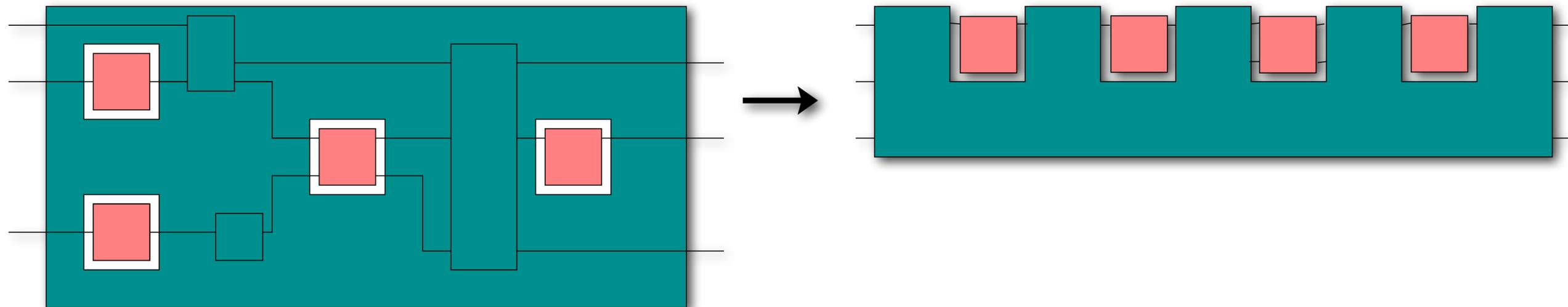
Quantum board



Problem: what is the optimal board for given slots achieving a global input/output task optimally according to a given cost function?

Quantum Combs

The circuits-boards can be reshaped in form of a "comb", with an ordered sequence of slots, each between two successive teeth

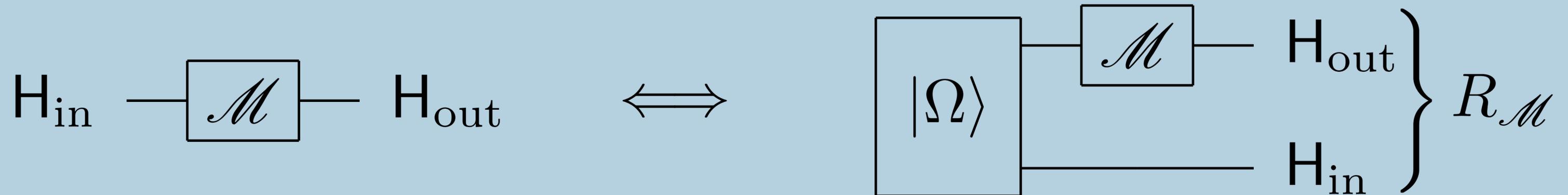


The pins in a quantum comb represent quantum systems, with generally variable dimensions, entering or exiting from the board

Choi representation of q-operation

The input-output quantum operation achieved by any quantum circuit is a CP map, and a suitable representation is provided by the one-to-one correspondence with a positive operator called "Choi-Jamiolkowski operator".

The Choi operator is the output state of the map applied locally to a maximally entangled reference state with suitable normalisation.



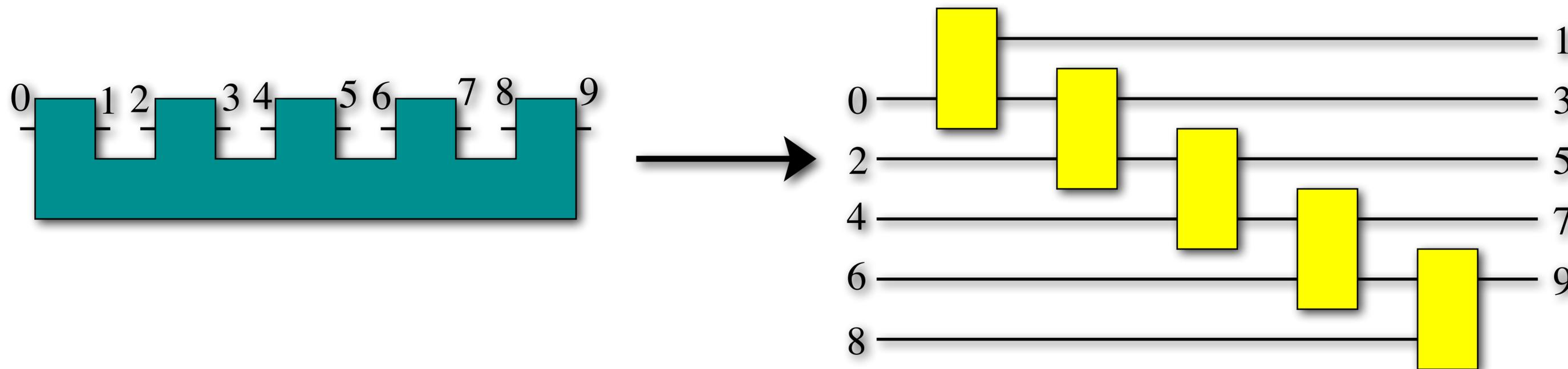
$$|\Omega\rangle \in H_{\text{in}} \otimes H_{\text{in}}$$

$$R_{\mathcal{M}} \in \mathbf{B}(H_{\text{in}} \otimes H_{\text{out}})$$

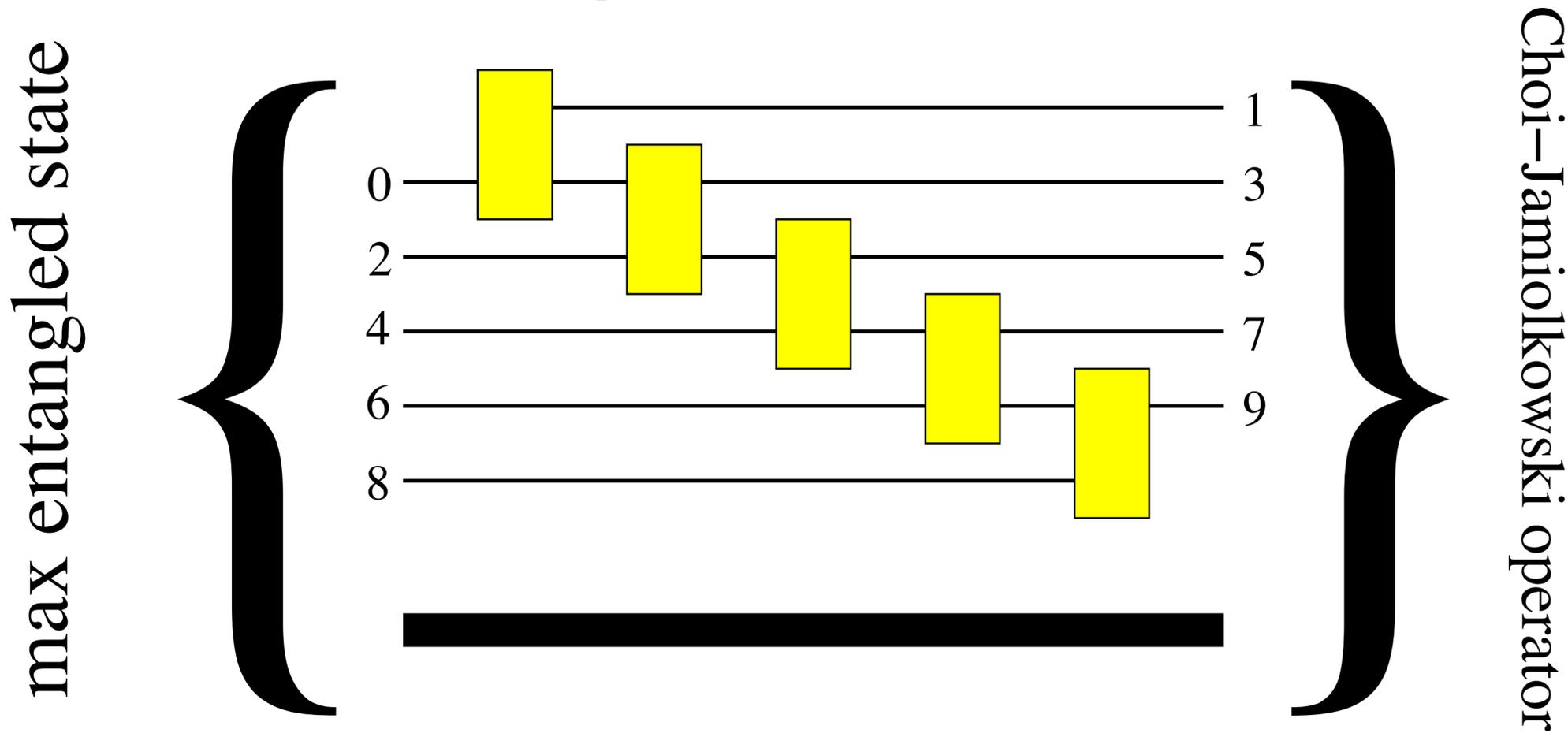
$$\text{Tr}_{\text{out}}[R_{\mathcal{M}}] = I_{\text{in}}$$

Causal networks

To a comb we associate the Choi operator of the quantum operation of the causal network equivalent to the comb, with all inputs on the left and all outputs on the right



Choi representation



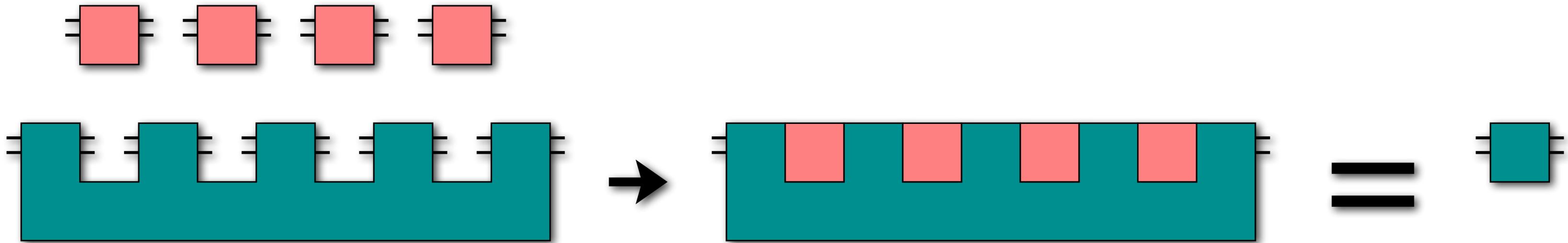
Causality constraints: ($N+1$ inputs/outputs)

$$\text{Tr}_{2n+1} \left[R^{(n)} \right] = I_{2n} \otimes R^{(n-1)}, \quad n = 0, 1, N,$$

$$R^{(N)} \equiv R, \quad R^{(-1)} = 1$$

Supermaps

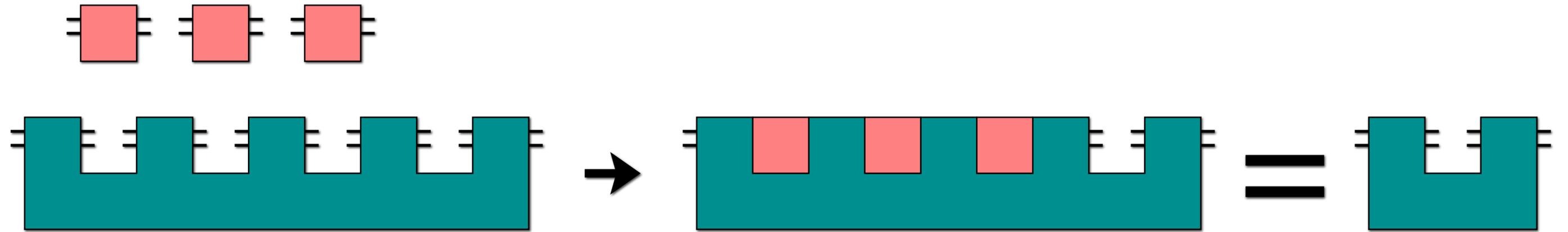
A quantum comb performs a transformation that is a generalization of the quantum operation: the so called "supermap"



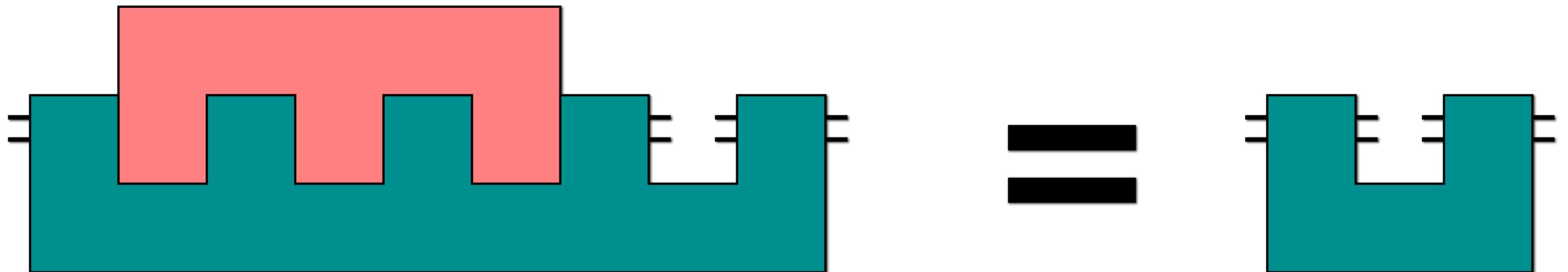
A supermap sends a series of N channels to one channel. Mathematically it is represented by a completely positive N -linear map which sends N Choi operators to one Choi operator, and with his own Choi operator satisfying the causality constraints.

Supermaps

More generally, quantum combs map series of channels into combs

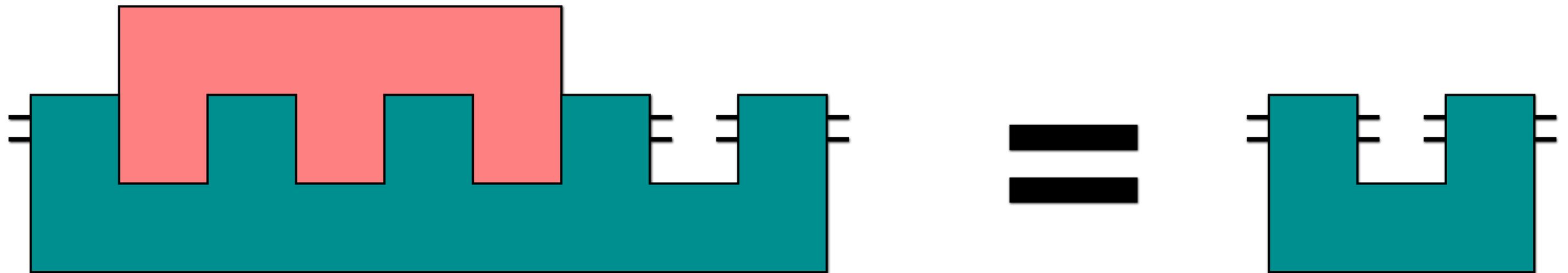


or even more generally combs into combs

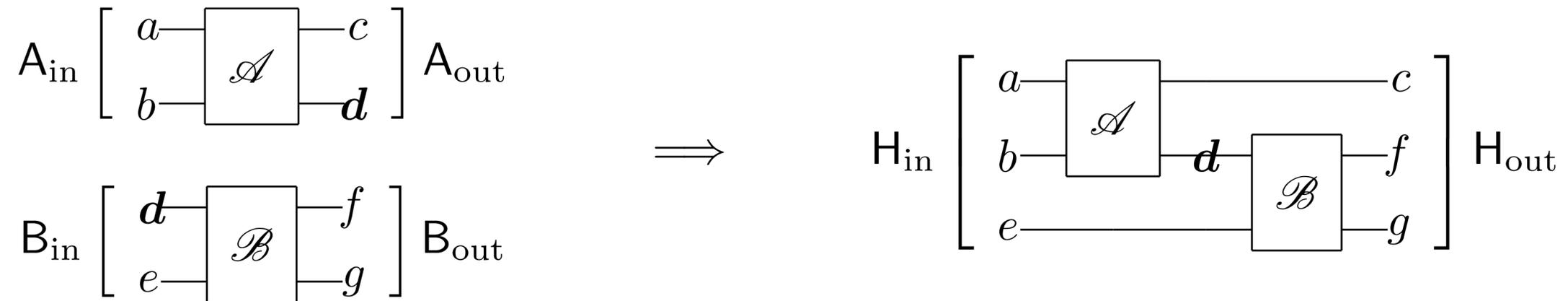


Supermaps

The notion of supermap is the **last level of generalization**, i.e. “super-supermaps” (mapping supermaps to supermaps) are still supermaps = quantum combs.



Link product



Choi-operator calculus

$$A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{A}_{\text{out}} \otimes \mathcal{A}_{\text{in}}) = \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}_a \otimes \mathcal{H}_b \otimes \mathcal{H}_c \otimes \mathcal{H}_d), \quad J \equiv \mathcal{H}_d$$

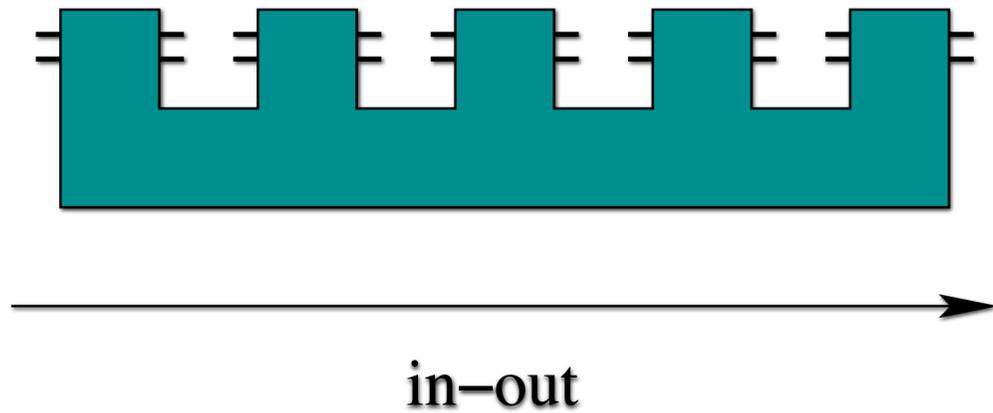
$$B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{B}_{\text{out}} \otimes \mathcal{B}_{\text{in}}) = \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}_d \otimes \mathcal{H}_e \otimes \mathcal{H}_f \otimes \mathcal{H}_g)$$

$$A * B = \text{Tr}_J [A^{\theta_J} B] \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}_{\text{out}} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{\text{in}})$$

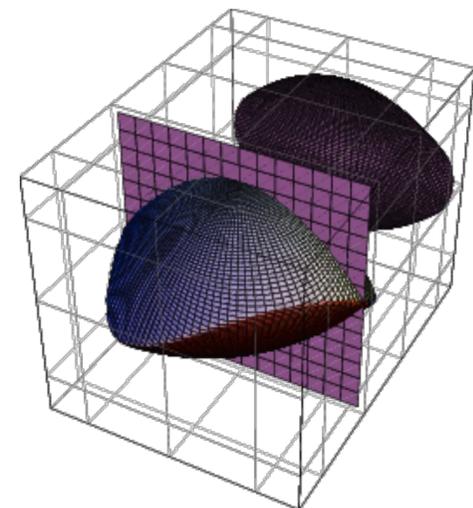
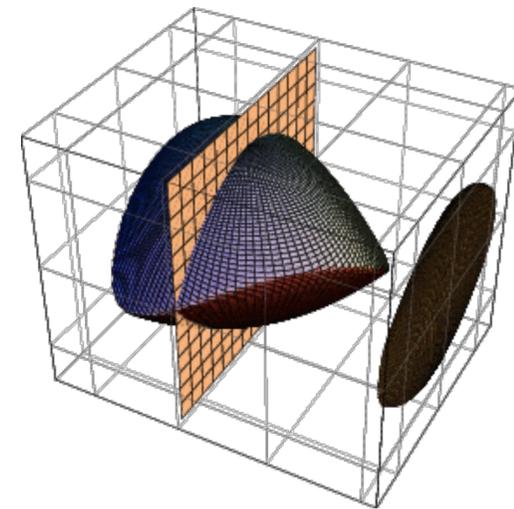
$$AB := (A \otimes I_{e,f,g})(I_{a,b,c} \otimes B)$$

The link-product is commutative!

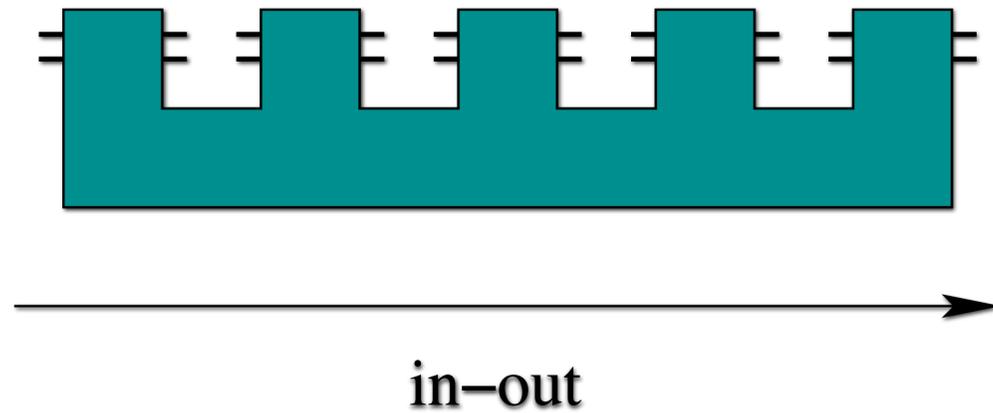
Circuits Architecture Optimization



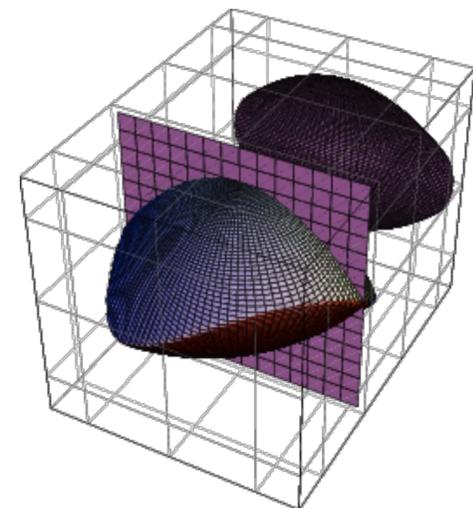
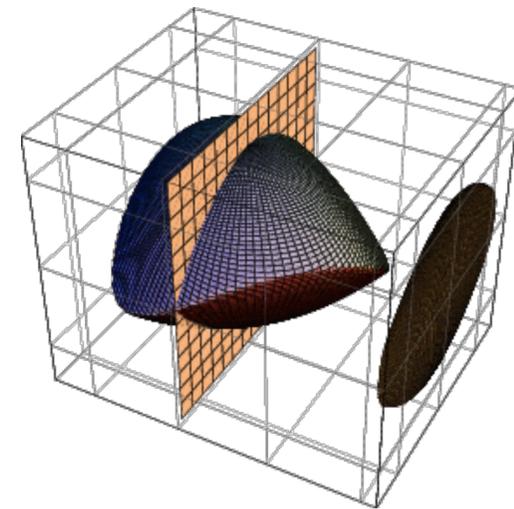
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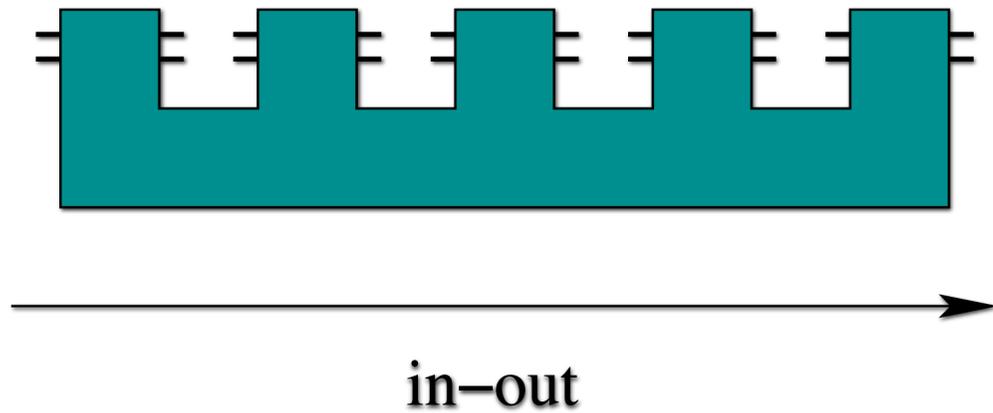
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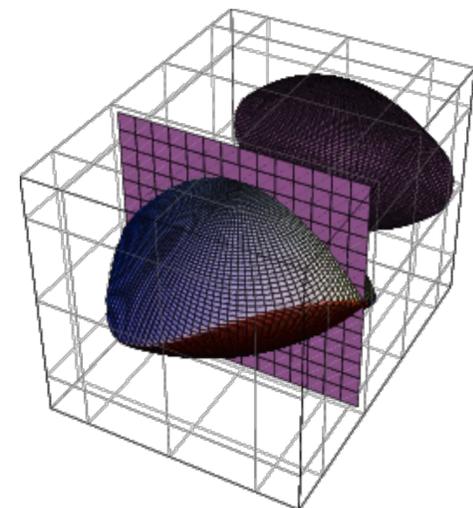
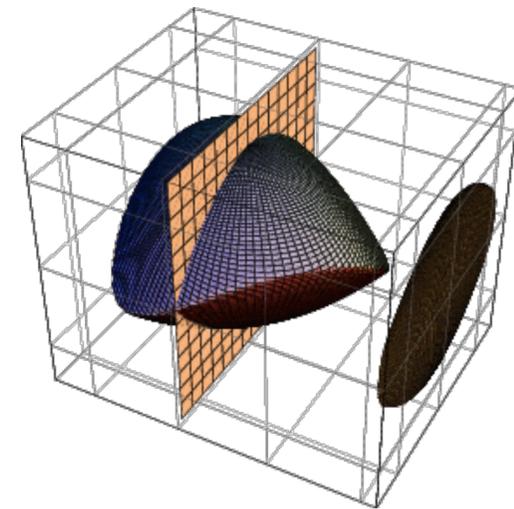


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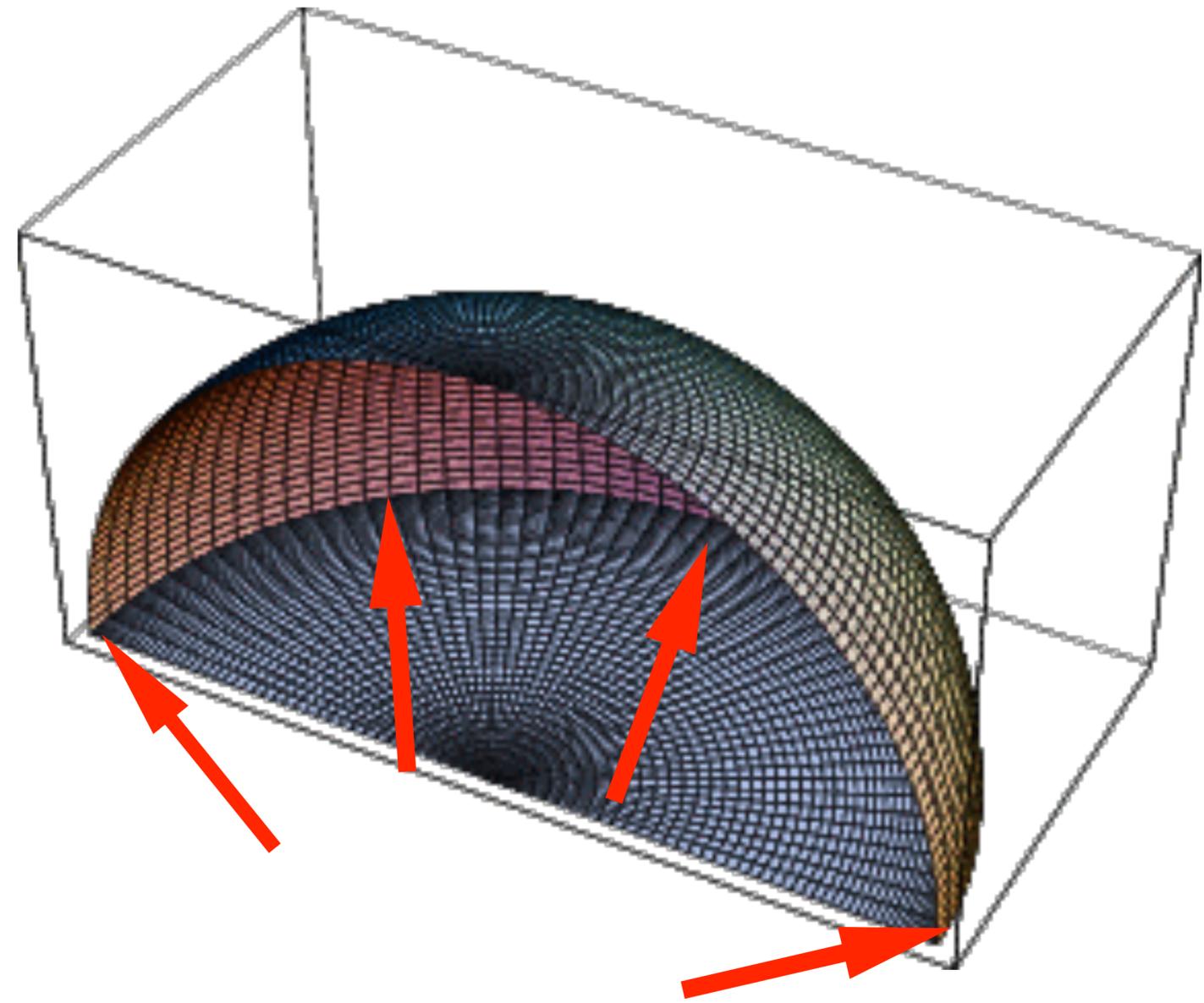
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- Group-covariance gives another linear constraint:

$$[R, V_g] = 0 \implies R = \bigoplus_j R_j \otimes \mathbb{1}_{m_j}$$

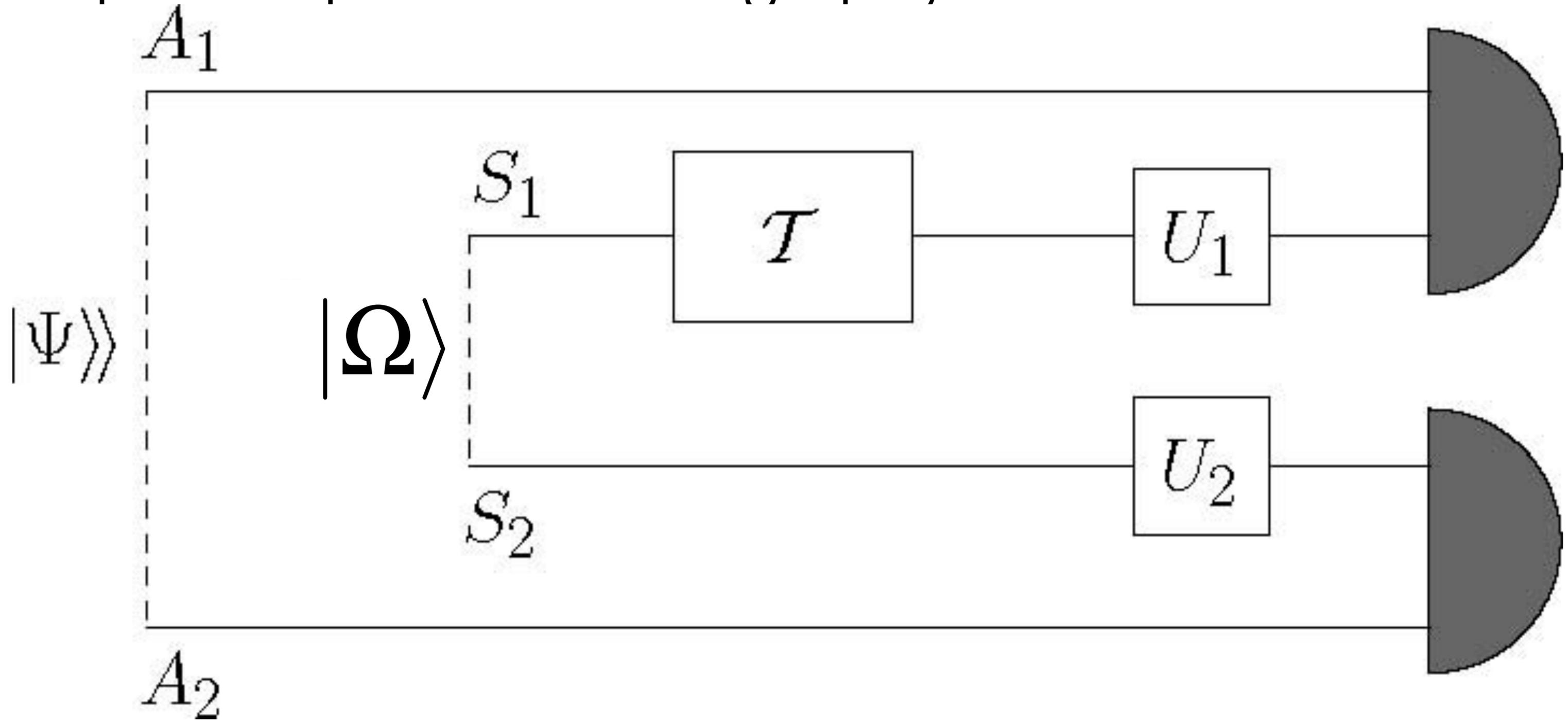


Circuits Architecture Optimization

- Generally the cost-function for optimisation is a concave function over the convex set of Choi.
- The optimal combs are thus achieved upon minimising the cost-function over the set of extremal points.

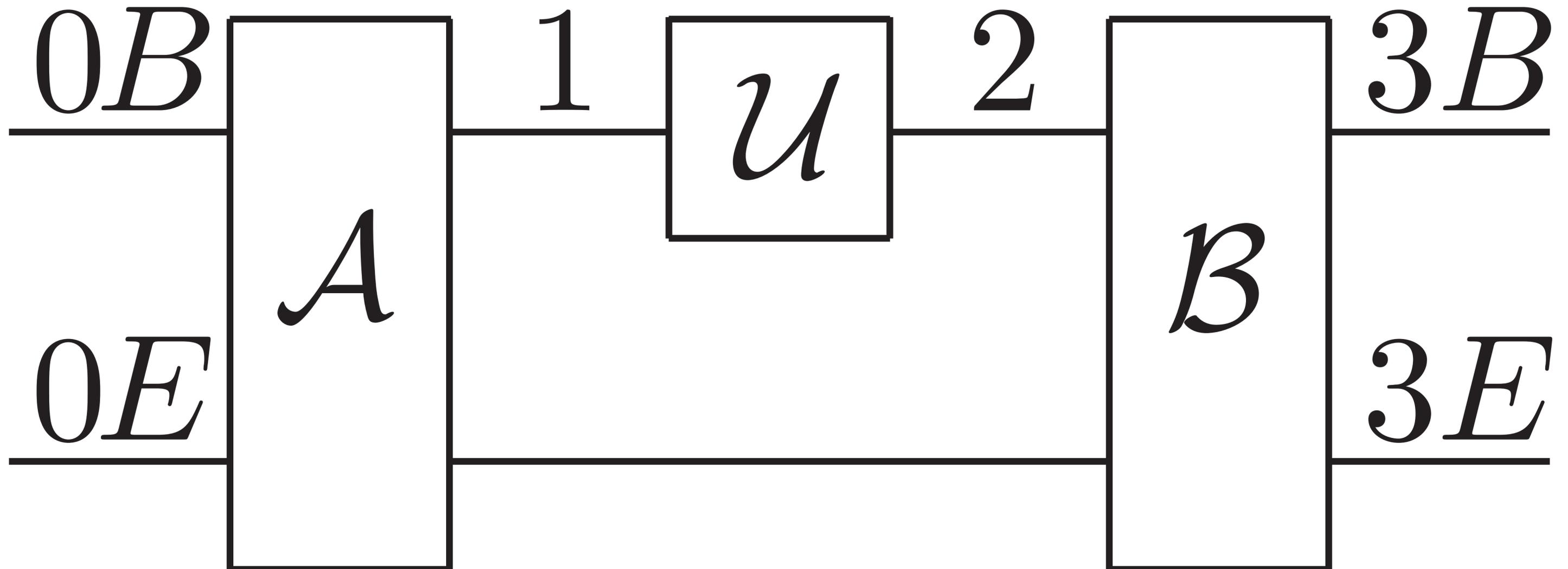


Optimal quantum tomography of transformations

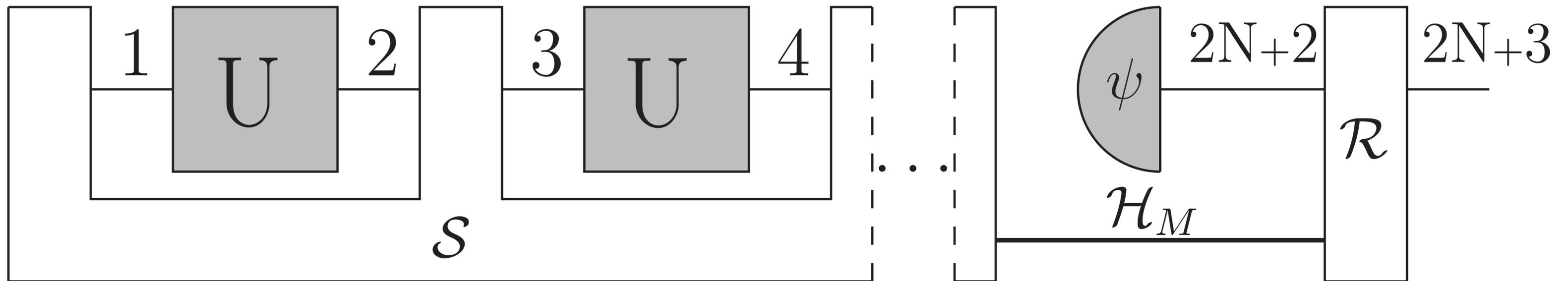


Optimal cloning of unitaries

1 \rightarrow 2 cloning of unitaries



Optimal learning of unitaries



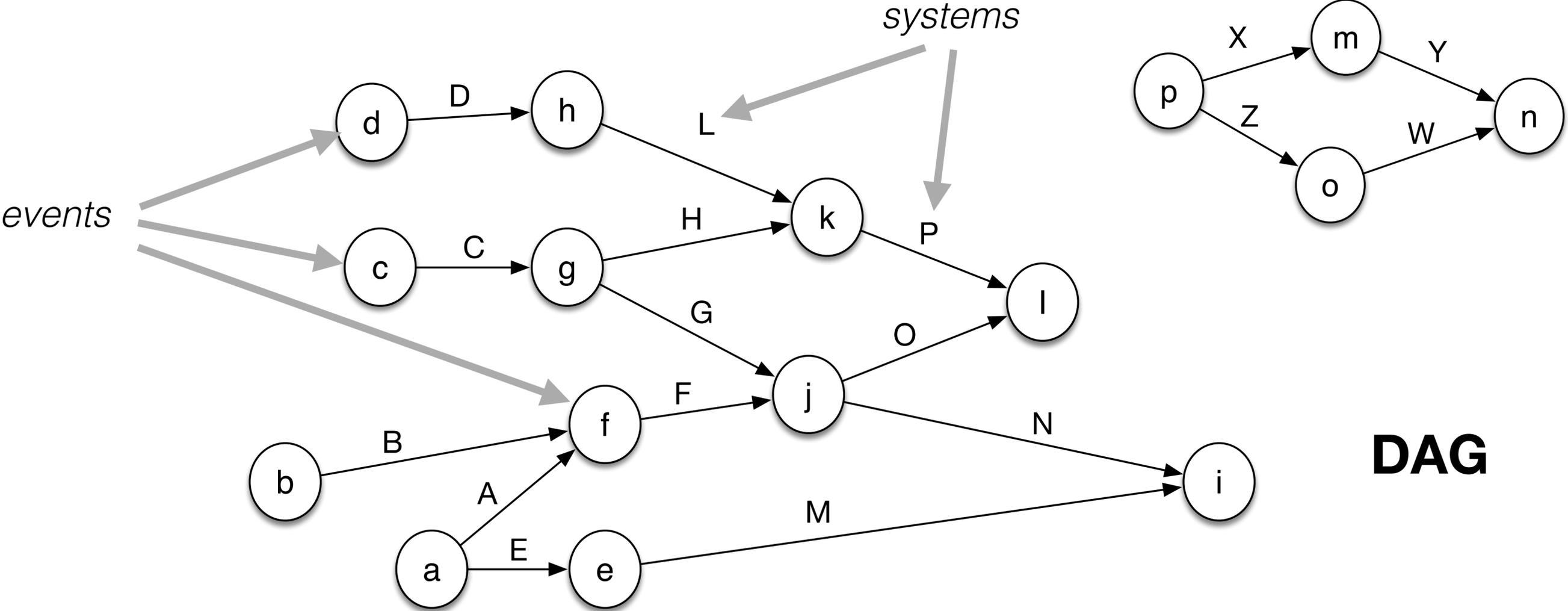
Foundations: “information” as a paradigm for QT and QFT

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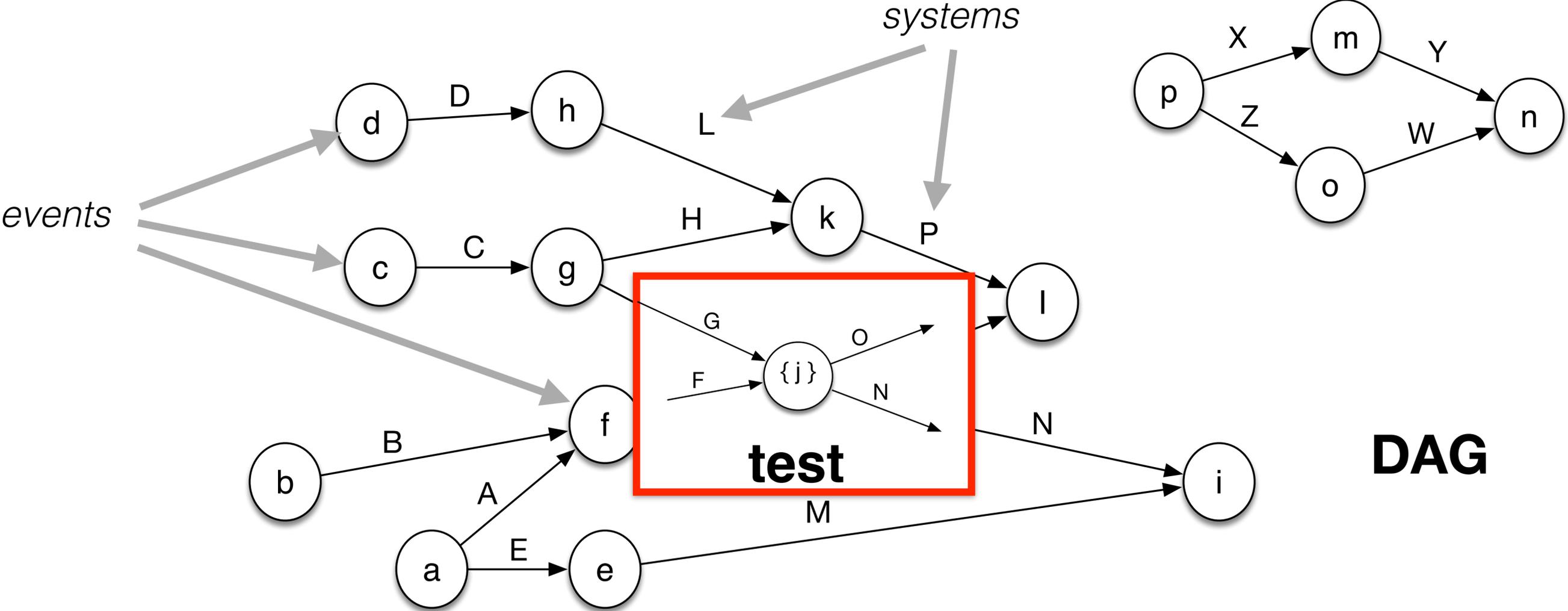
Quantum Theory: the “grammar” of Physics

Quantum Theory is an OPT

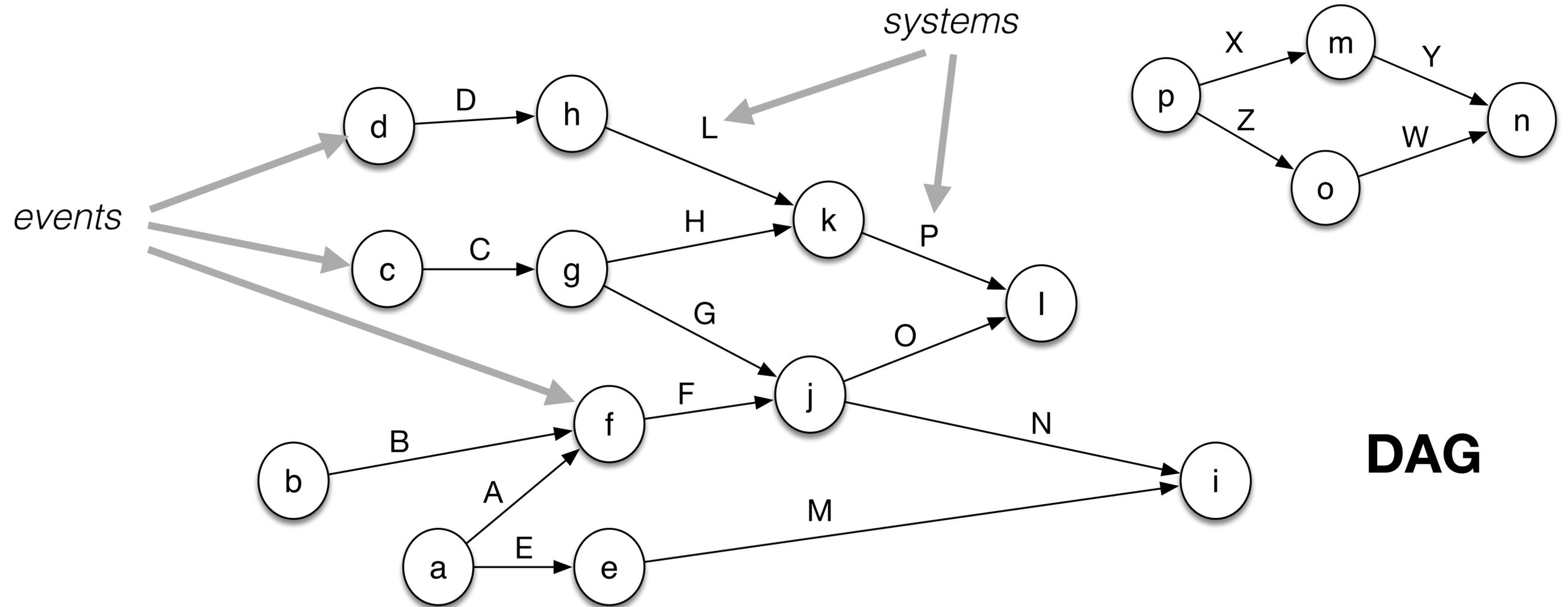
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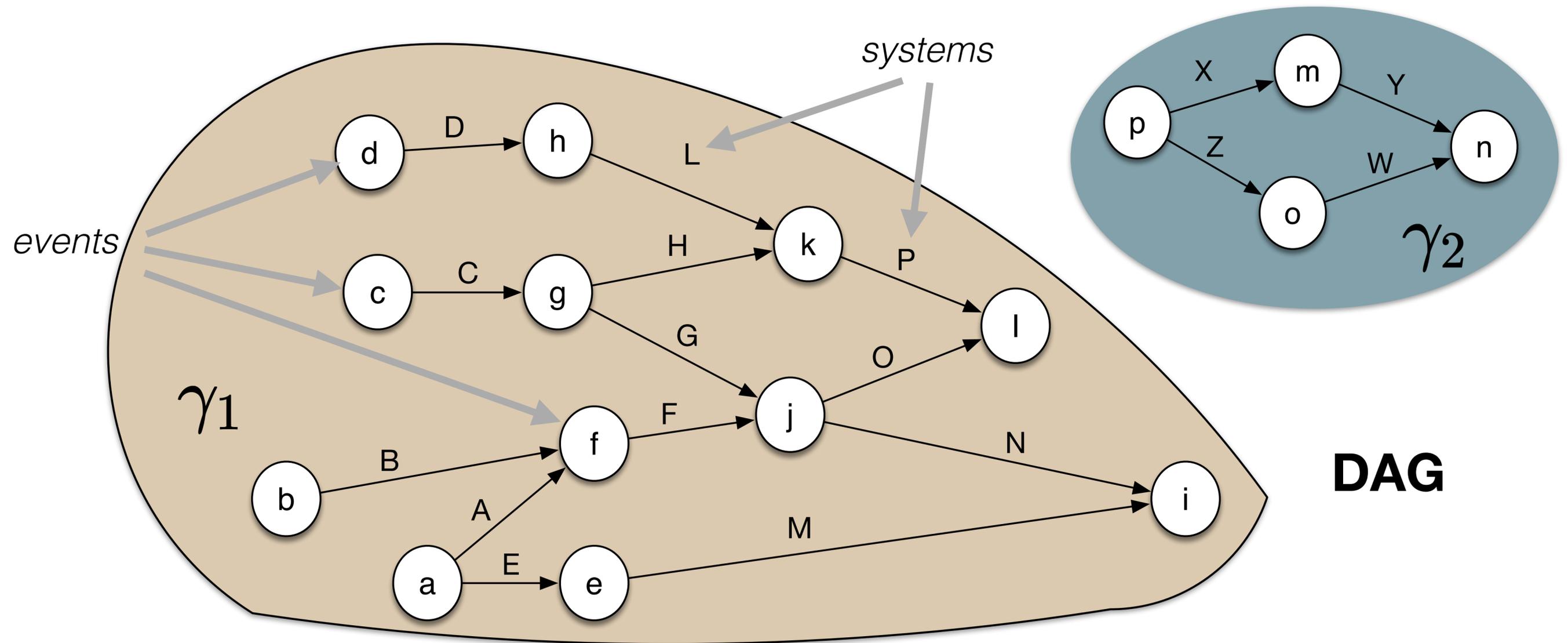


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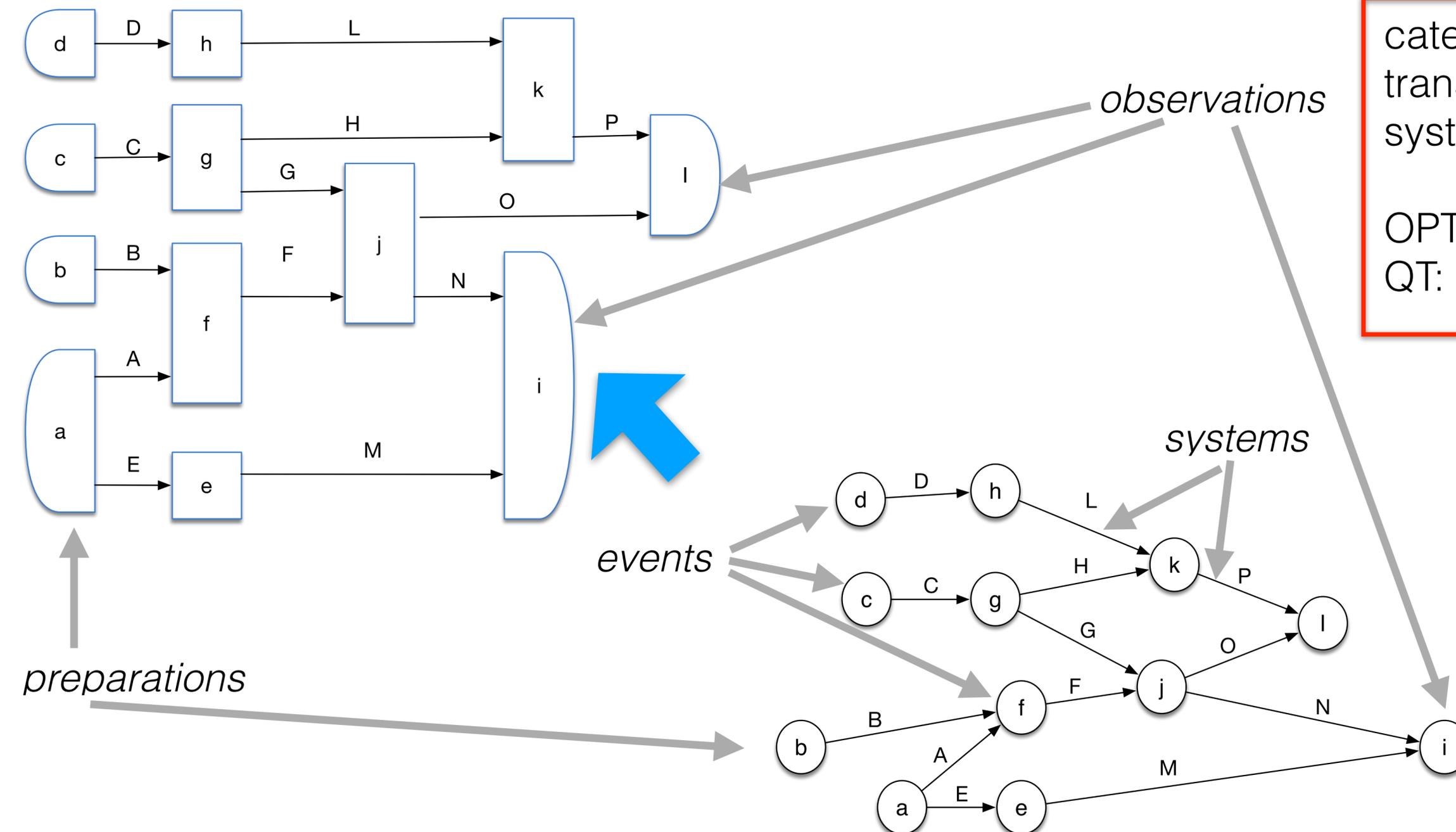


$$p(abc, \dots, o | \gamma_1 \cup \gamma_2) = p(abc, \dots, l | \gamma_1) p(n, \dots, p | \gamma_2)$$

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An OPT is an Information Theory

category theory:
 transformations \Rightarrow morphisms
 systems \Rightarrow objects
 OPT: strict monoidal braided category
 QT: symmetrical OPT



finite DAG

OPT=information theory

Quantum Theory as OPT

system	A	\mathcal{H}_A
system composition	AB	$\mathcal{H}_{AB} = \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$
transformation	$\mathcal{T} \in \text{Transf}(A \rightarrow B)$	$\mathcal{T} \in \text{CP}_{\leq}(\mathbf{T}(\mathcal{H}_A) \rightarrow \mathbf{T}(\mathcal{H}_B))$

Theorems

trivial system system	I	$\mathcal{H}_I = \mathbb{C}$
deterministic transformation	$\mathcal{T} \in \text{Transf}_1(A \rightarrow B)$	$\mathcal{T} \in \text{CP}_{=}(\mathbf{T}(\mathcal{H}_A) \rightarrow \mathbf{T}(\mathcal{H}_B))$
states	$\rho \in \text{St}(A) \equiv \text{Transf}(I \rightarrow A)$	$\rho \in \mathbf{T}_{\leq 1}^+(\mathcal{H}_A)$
	$\rho \in \text{St}_1(A) \equiv \text{Transf}_1(I \rightarrow A)$	$\rho \in \mathbf{T}_{=1}^+(\mathcal{H}_A)$
	$\rho \in \text{St}(I) \equiv \text{Transf}(I \rightarrow I)$	$\rho \in [0, 1]$
	$\rho \in \text{St}_1(I) \equiv \text{Transf}(I \rightarrow I)$	$\rho = 1$
effects	$\varepsilon \in \text{Eff}(A) \equiv \text{Transf}(A \rightarrow I)$	$\varepsilon(\cdot) = \text{Tr}_A[\cdot E], 0 \leq E \leq I_A$
	$\varepsilon \in \text{Eff}_1(A) \equiv \text{Transf}_1(A \rightarrow I)$	$\varepsilon = \text{Tr}_A$

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QUANTUM THEORY
FROM FIRST PRINCIPLES

QUANTUM THEORY FROM FIRST PRINCIPLES

An Informational Approach

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Principles for Quantum Theory

P1. Causality

P2. Local discriminability

P3. Purification

P4. Atomicity of composition

P5. Perfect distinguishability

P6. Lossless Compressibility

G. Chiribella, G. M. D'Ariano, P. Perinotti, *Probabilistic Theories with Purification* Phys. Rev. A **81** 062348 (2010)

G. Chiribella, G. M. D'Ariano, P. Perinotti, *Informational derivation of Quantum Theory* Phys. Rev. A **84** 012311 (2011)

Other OPTs

	Caus.	Perf. disc.	Loc. discr.	n-loc. discr.	At. par. comp.	At. seq. comp.	Compr.	\exists Purification	$\exists!$ Purification	NIWD
QT	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
CT	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
QBIT	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓
FQT	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓
RQT	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
NSQT	?	?	✗	✗	?	?	?	?	?	?
PR	✓	?	✓	✓	✓	?	✗	✗	✗	✓
DPR	✓	?	✓	✓	✓	?	✗	✗	✗	✓
HPR	✓	?	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
FOCT	✗	?	✓	✓	✓	?	?	✗	✗	?
FOQT	✗	?	?	✓	?	?	?	?	?	?
NLCT	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	?	✓	✗	✗	✗
NLQT	?	?	?	✓	?	?	?	?	?	?

QT: Quantum theory

CT: Classical theory

QBIT: Qubit theory

FQT: Fermionic quantum theory

RQT: Real quantum theory

NSQT: Number superselected quantum theory

PR: PR-boxes theory

DPR: Dual PR-boxes theory

HPR: Hybrid PR-boxes theory

FOCT: First order classical theory

FOQT: First order quantum theory

NLCT: Non-local classical theory

NLQT: Non-local quantum theory

“HOW TO GET THE “MECHANICS?””

QUANTUM FIELD THEORY: an ultra-short account

PRINCIPLES

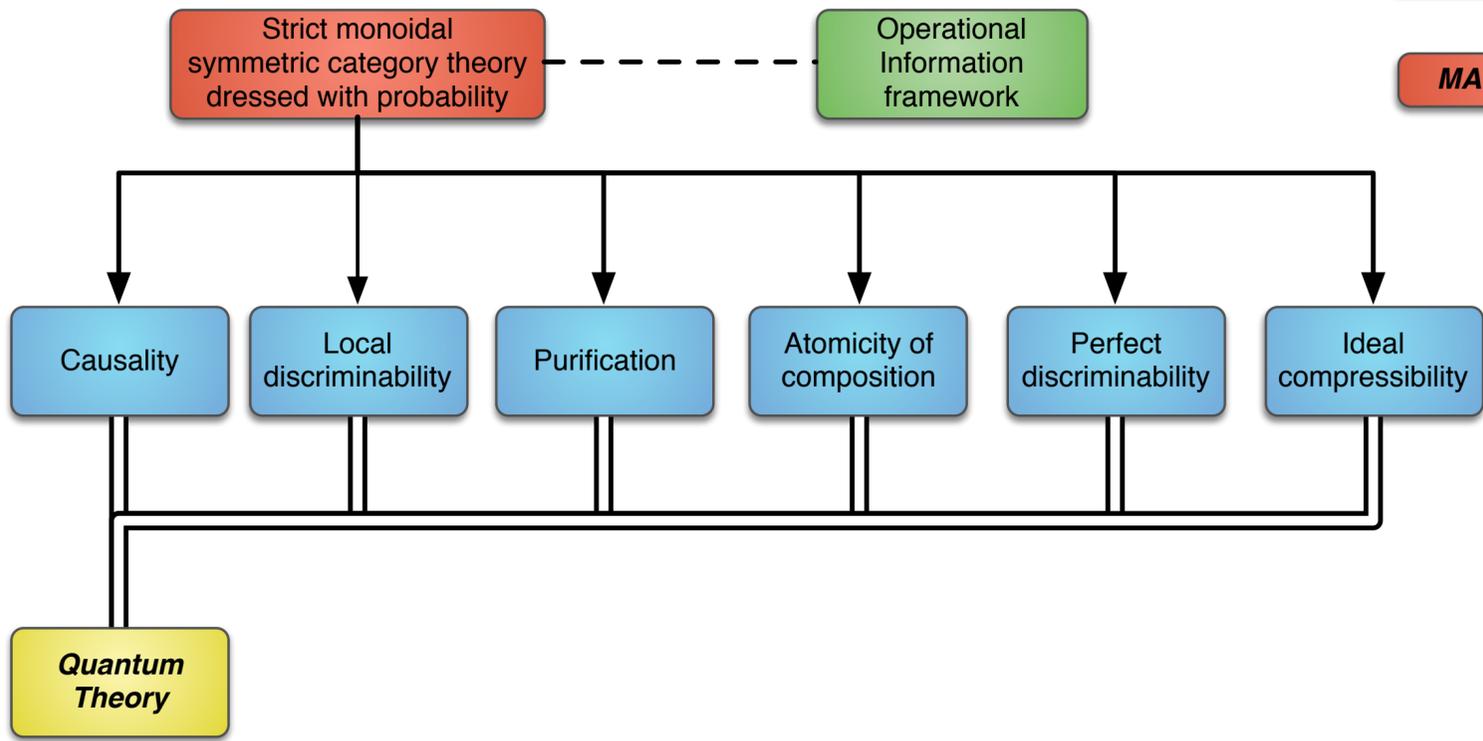
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equivalence $A \xrightarrow{B \text{ needs } A} B$



Info-theoretical principles for Quantum Field Theory

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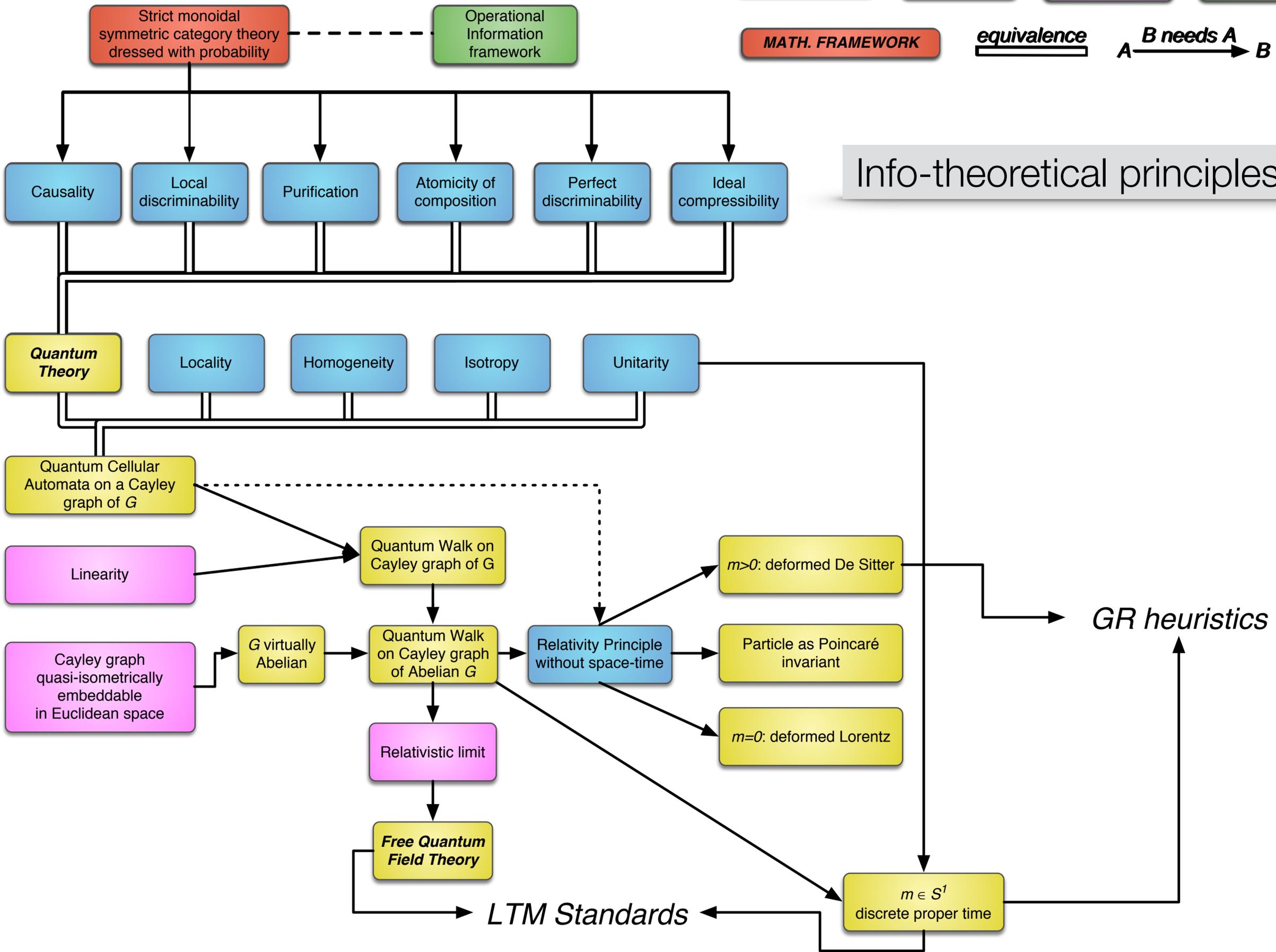
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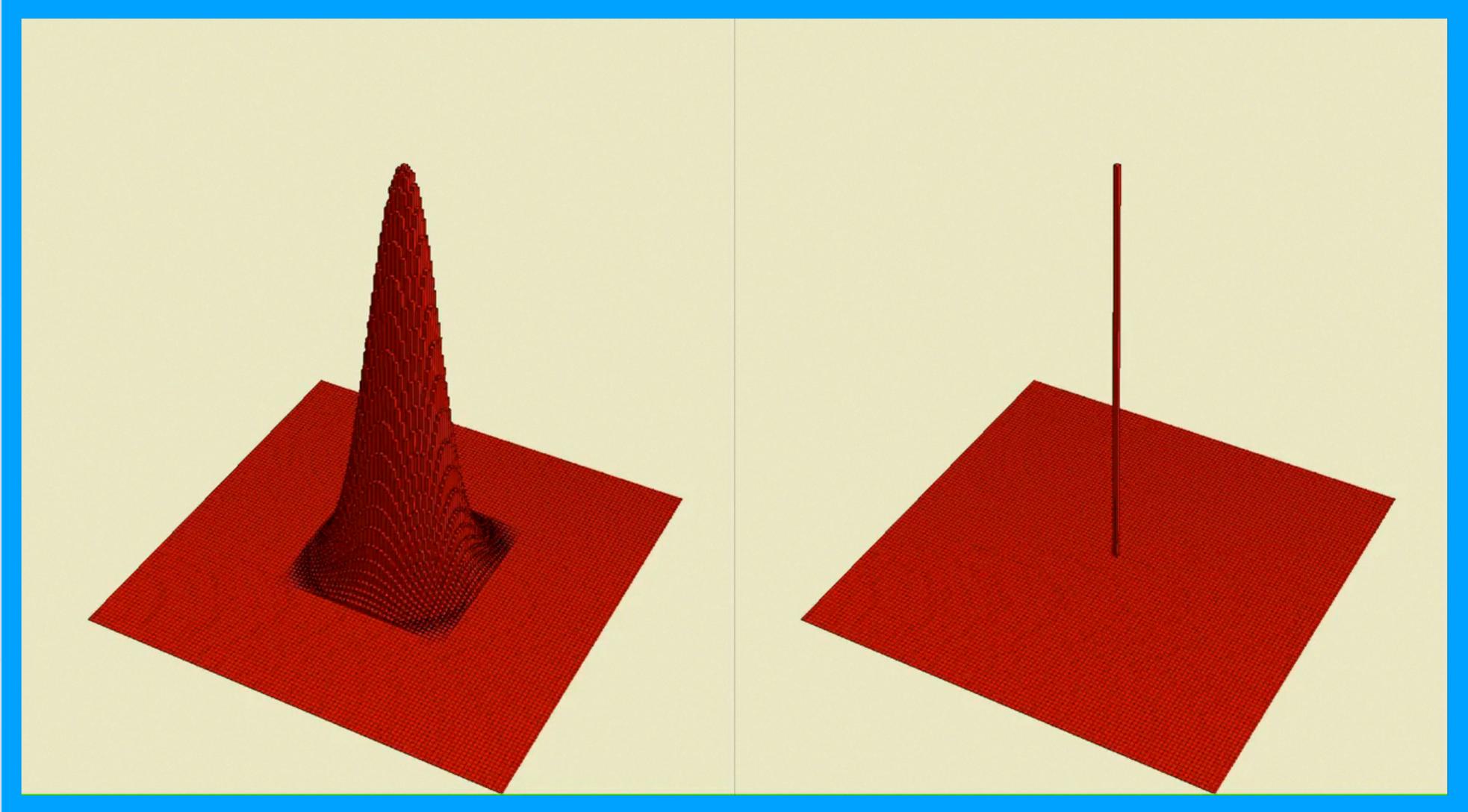
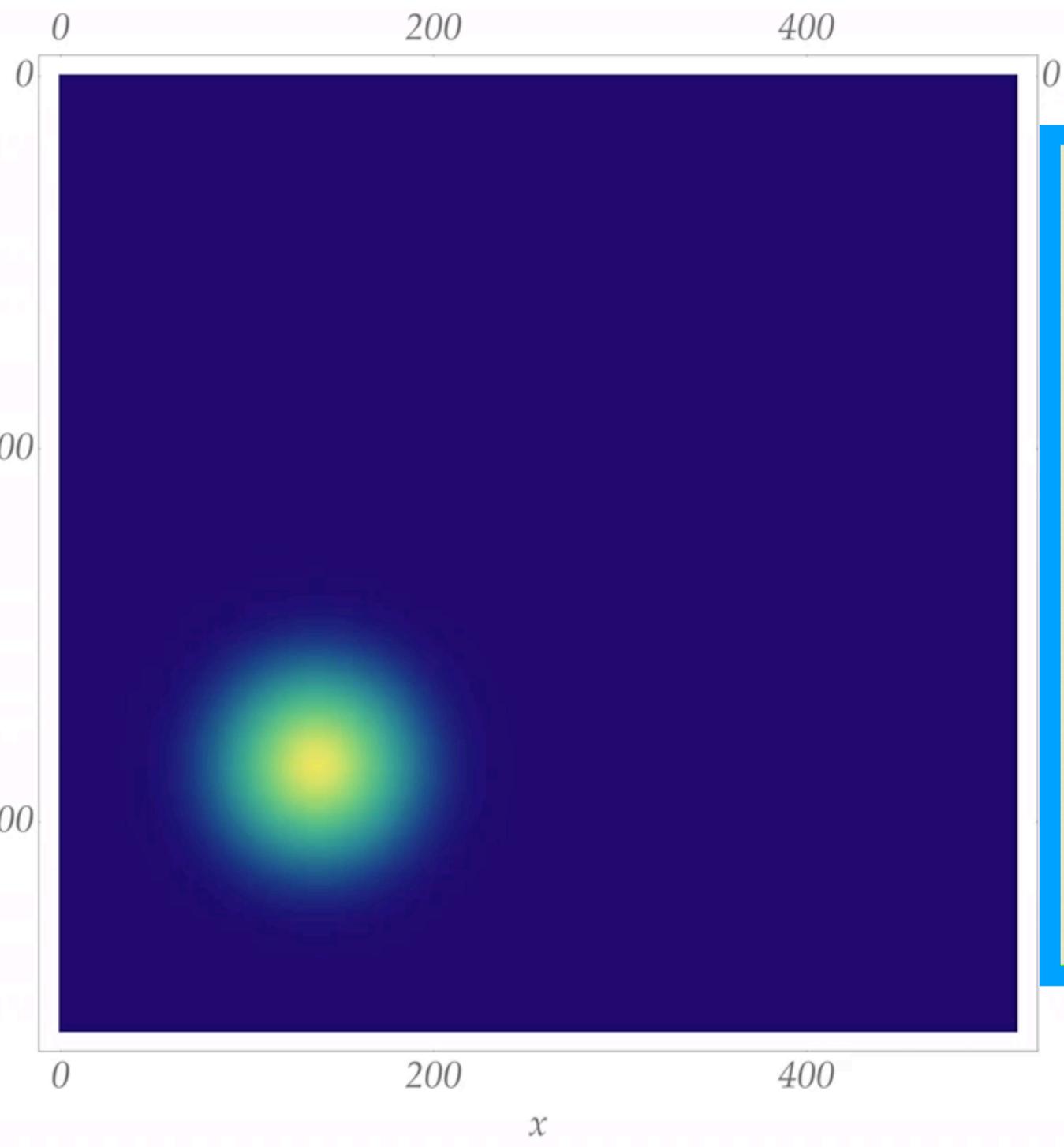
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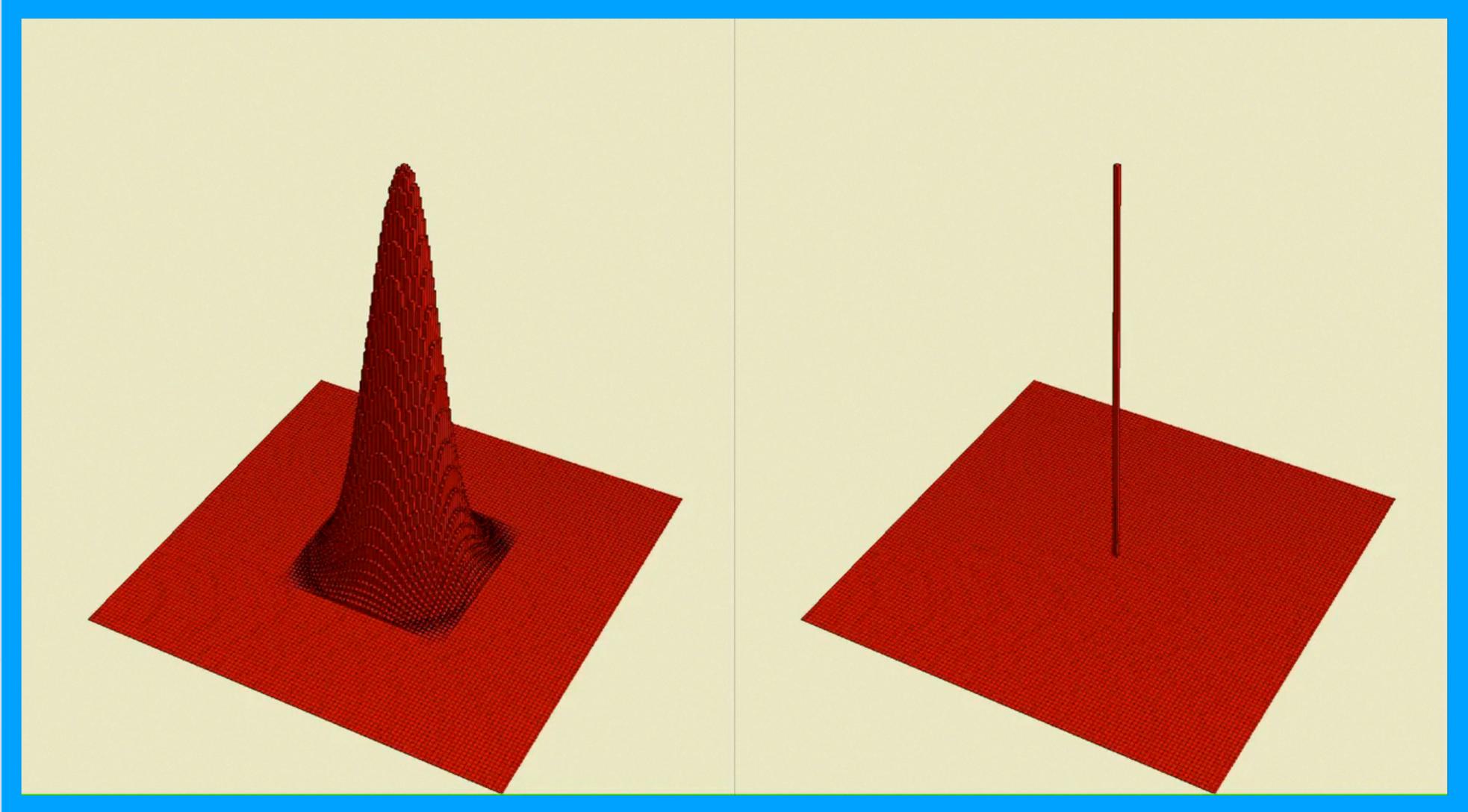
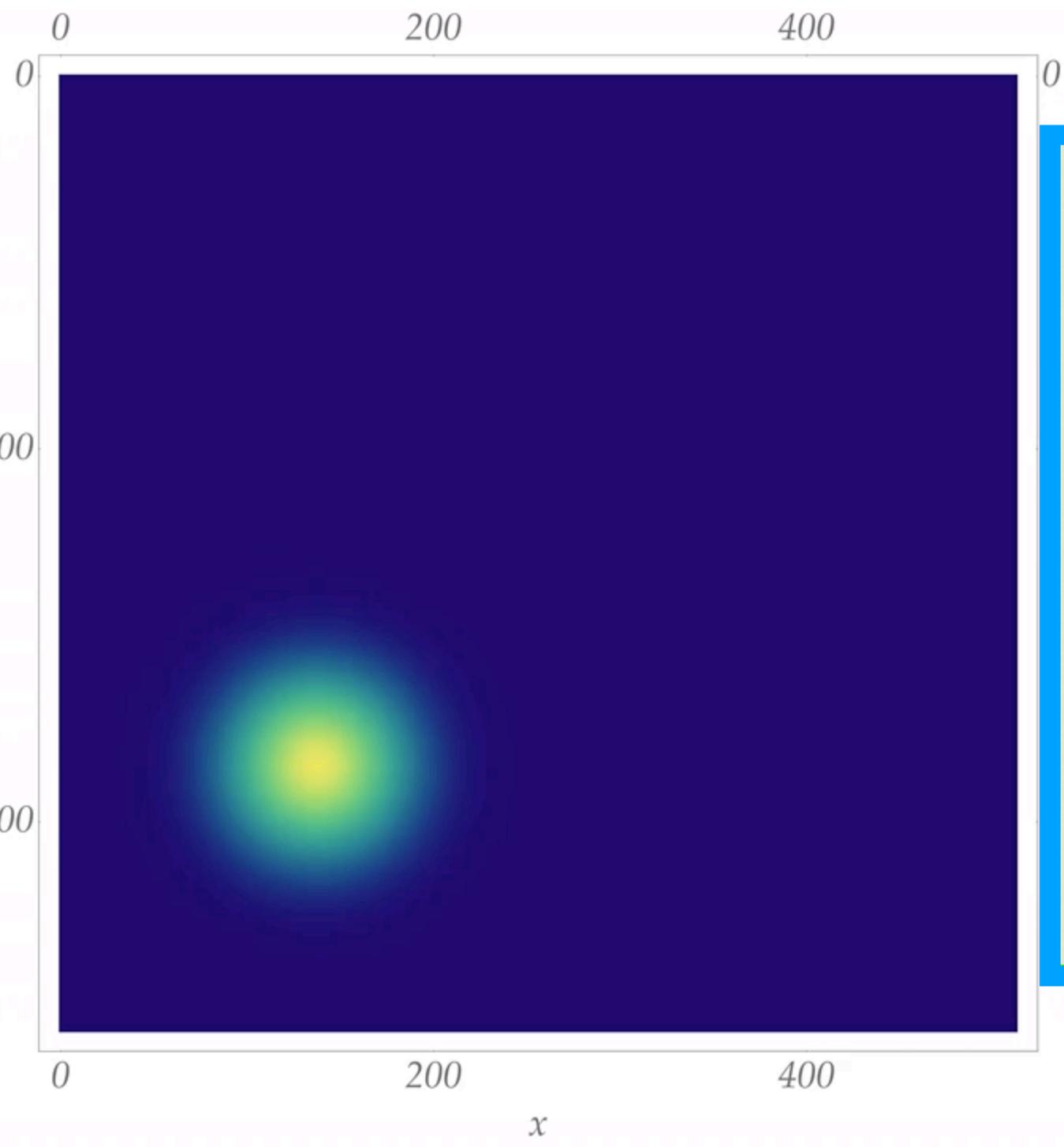
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