

Embezzlement-based non-local game that cannot be played optimally with finite amount of entanglement

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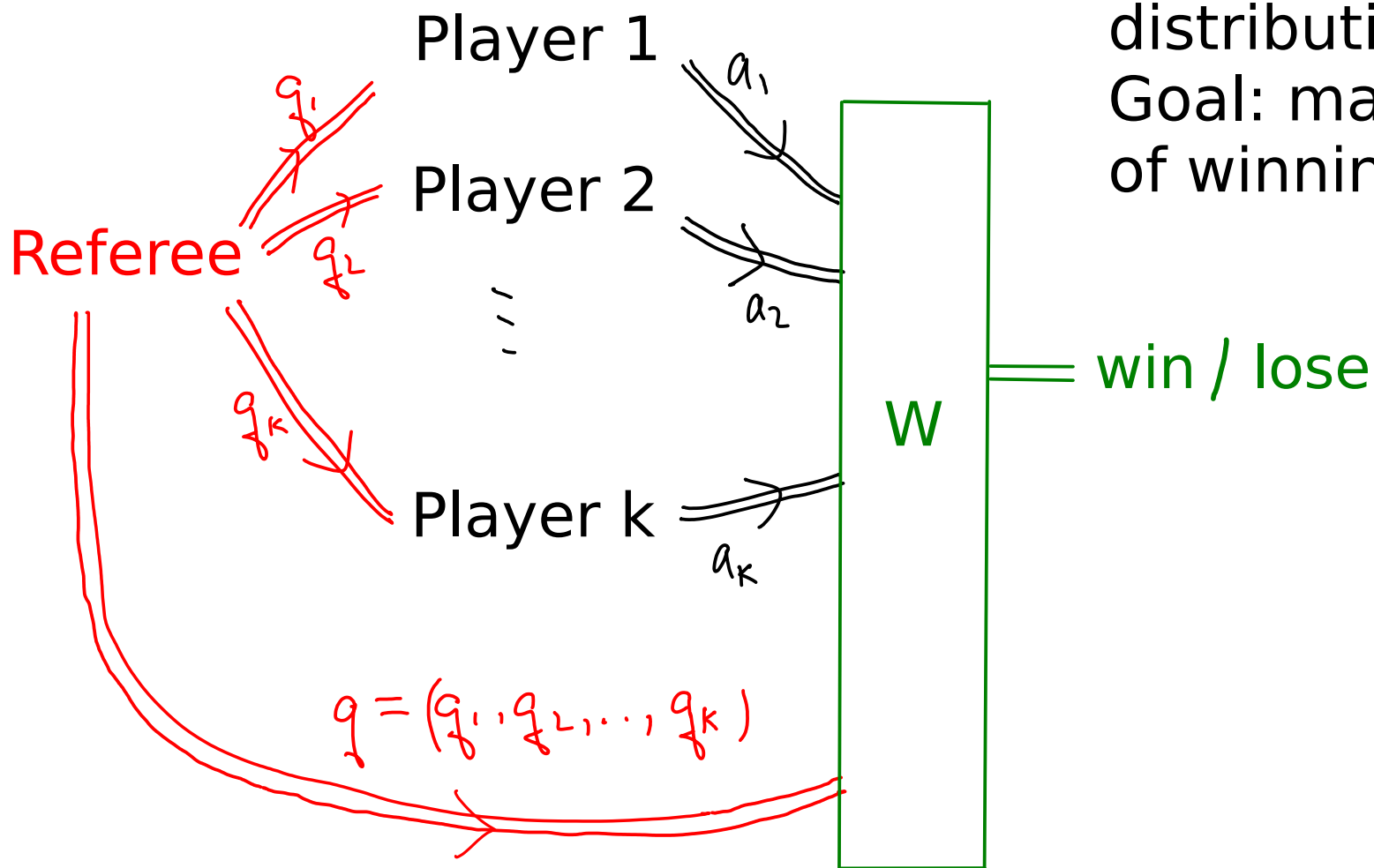
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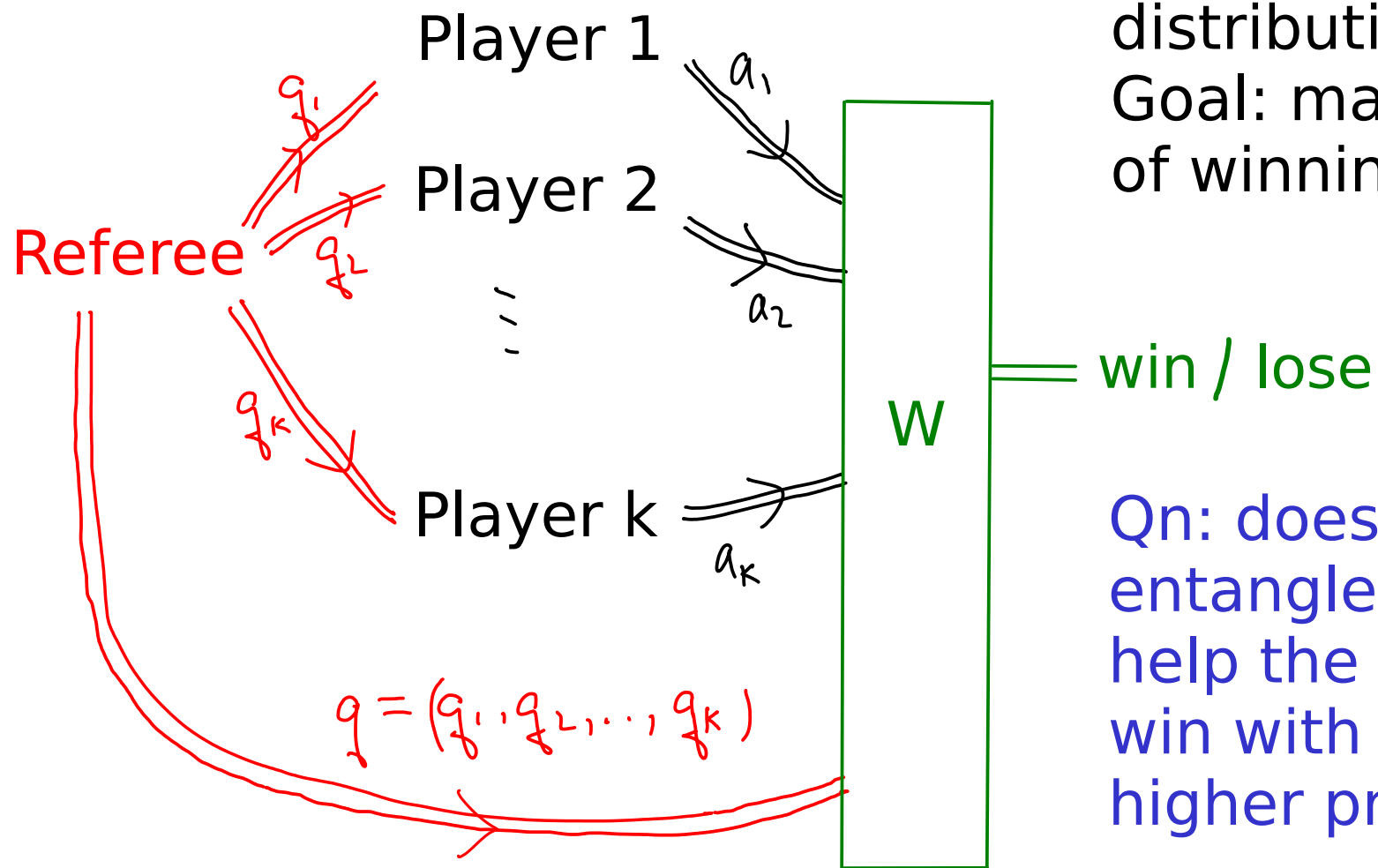
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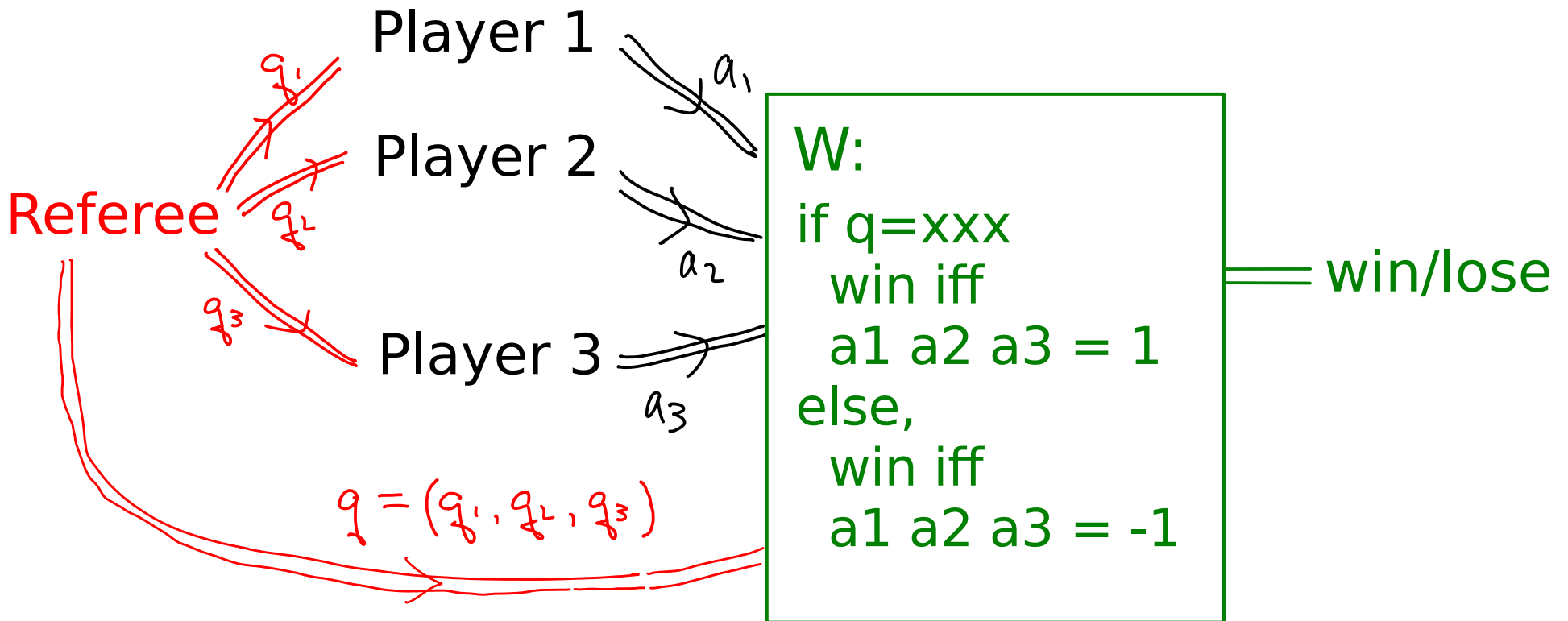


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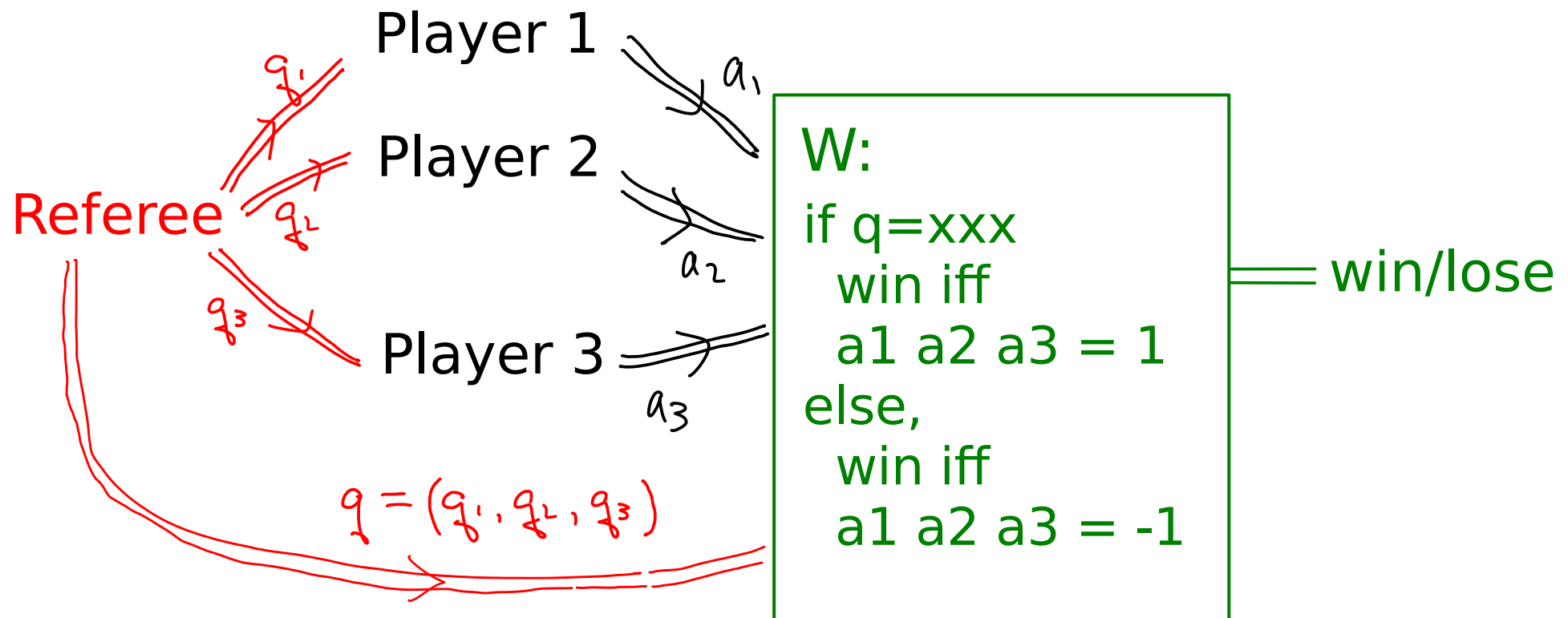
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The  $i$ th player receives a question  $q_i \in \{x,y\}$ , and provides an answer  $a_i \in \{1,-1\}$ .

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Without entanglement, winning prob  $\leq 3/4$ .

With a GHZ state, each party measures Pauli-X (Y) given question  $x$  ( $y$ ). The GHZ state is a  $+1$  eigenstate of  $XXX$ ,  $-1$  eigenstate of  $XYY$ ,  $YXY$ ,  $YYX$ , so, winning prob = 1 !

## Nonlocal games

Questions to a player

Answers from a player

Winning probability

Classical strategy

shared randomness

Entangled strategy  
has strictly higher  
winning prob than  
classical strategy

## Bell type experiments

Measurement settings

Measurement outcomes

Bell inequality

Local hidden variables

Violation of Bell inequality

# Why nonlocal games?

## Computational complexity -

Expressive power of interactive proof systems  
and the effect due to entanglement

## Physics -

QM vs Local Hidden Variable model

## Crypto -

QKD via rigidity (uniqueness of optimal solution)

## Fundamental question:

How much entanglement is required to win optimally?

## Computational complexity:

Is  $MIP^* = NEXP$ ?

## Operator algebra:

Is Connes embedding conjecture true? (This is about approx vN algebra with matrix algebra).

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Pal and Vertesi 09: I3322 game

"Simple": 2 players, 3 questions & 2 answers each, 12 queries, numerical evidence for conjecture, analytically elusive. (e.g., numerical optimal strategy uses  $\sim 5.8$  ebits as the dim diverges, L, Wang, in prep).

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Sloftra and Vidick 17: quantitative

$\varepsilon$  close to optimal requires  $\Omega(\varepsilon^{-k})$  - dim entangled state.

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Dykema, Paulsen, and Prakash 17:

Showed non-closure of correlations for 2 players, 5 questions and 2 answers each; use matrix analysis & irrational numbers. Almost but not explicit game.

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Based on game in L, Toner, Watrous 08, with 2-parties, each with 3-dim quantum question and 2-dim quantum answer. **We turn this to a nonlocal game.**

LTW08 game explicit & based on embezzlement (van Dam and Hayden 02).

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New development:

Coladangelo and Stark (1804.05116): explicit game with 2 players, 4 or 5 qns and 3 ans each (I4533).

Intriguing similarities to I3322 (e.g., dim diverges but entanglement converges).

## Plan:

1. Embezzlement and its properties
2. Embezzlement game (LTW08)
3. Turning embezzlement game to a nonlocal game
4. Brief reasoning for soundness



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## Embezzlement of entanglement:

Theorem.  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \forall d, \forall |\phi\rangle_{A'B'} \in \mathbb{C}^d \otimes \mathbb{C}^d$

$\exists N, \exists |\psi\rangle_{AB} \in \mathbb{C}^N \otimes \mathbb{C}^N,$

$\exists U, V$  s.t.  $(U_{AA'} \otimes V_{BB'}) |\psi\rangle_{AB} |00\rangle_{A'B'} \approx^\varepsilon |\psi\rangle_{AB} |\phi\rangle_{A'B'}$  !

any state  $|\phi\rangle$   
can be embezzled  
(with local ops)  
to any accuracy  
given the right  $|\psi\rangle$

van Dam & Hayden, quant-ph/0201041 (universal "catalyst", 2-party only, elementary 1-page proof.)

Alternative method (LTW08):

Catalyst depends on the initial & target states, but the local unitaries don't. Any # parties, other conserved quantities. Will see the proof (really short).

Aside: explains macroscopically controlled quantum gates, and relates to reference frames (0610030, 1804.03730).

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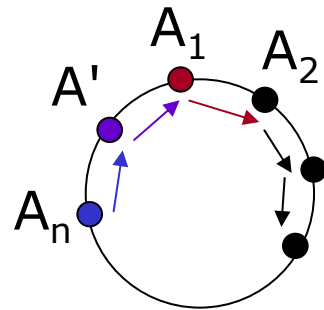
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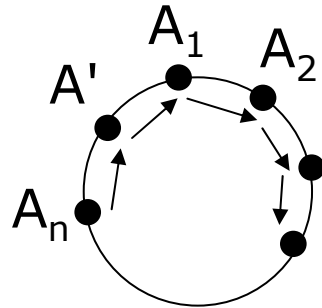
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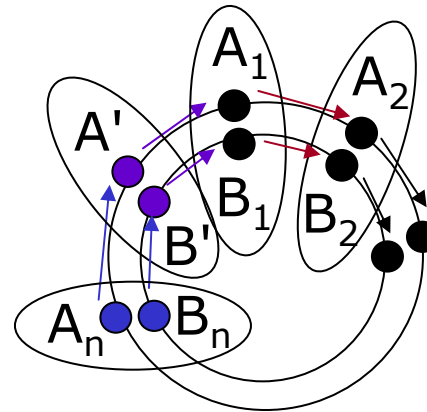
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3.  $V_{BB'}$  similar



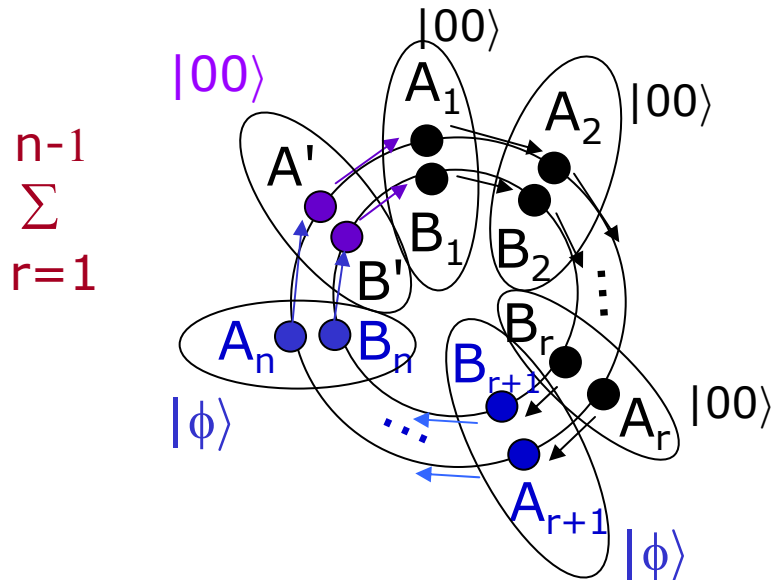
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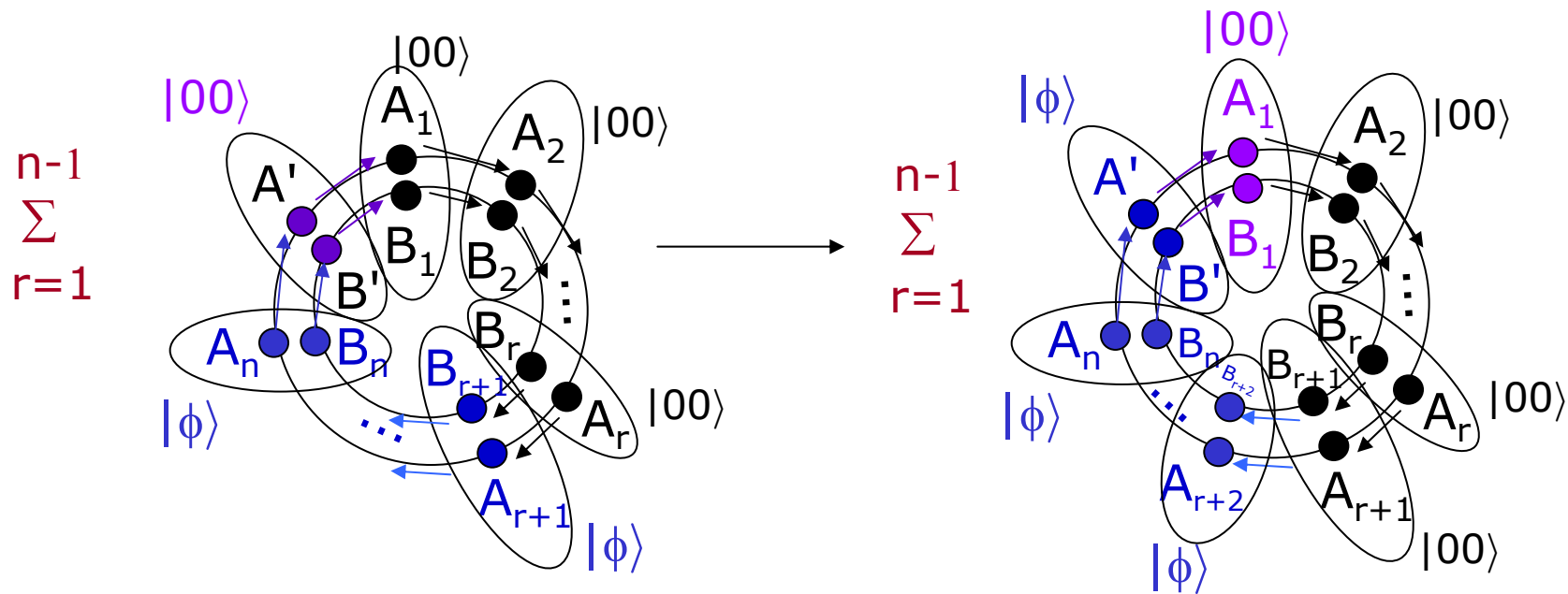
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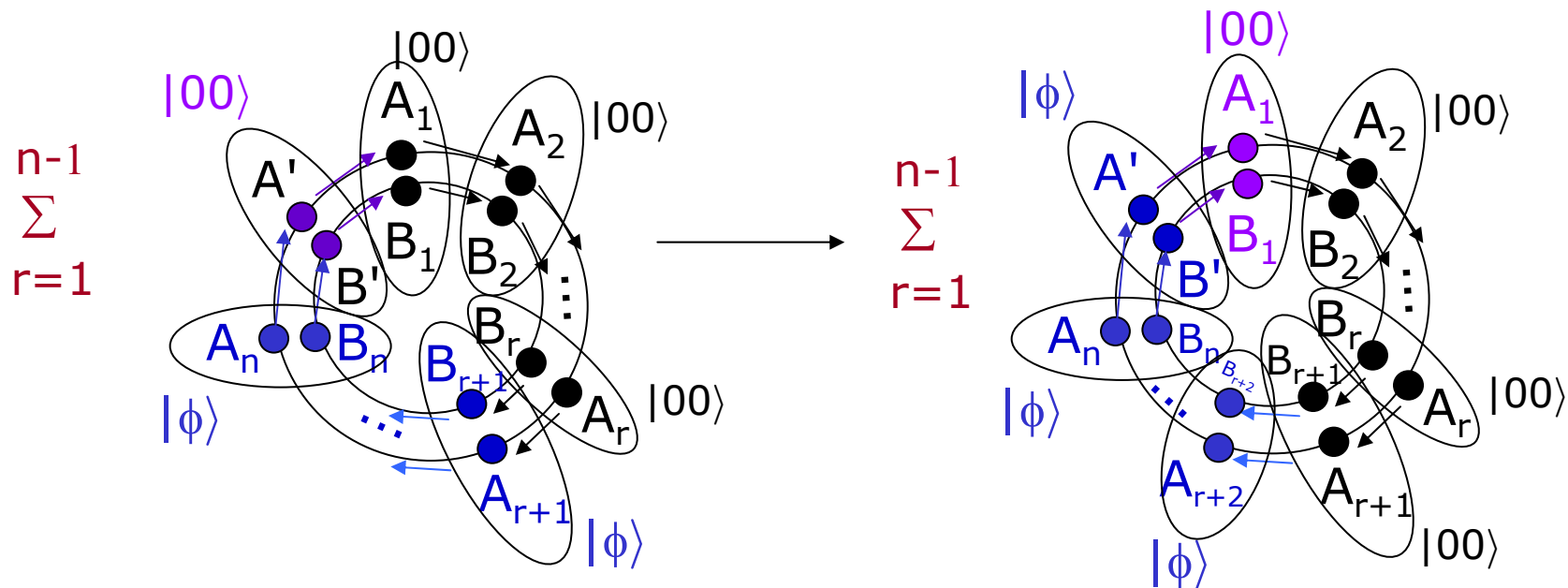
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$|\psi'\rangle_{AB}$  almost the same as  $|\psi\rangle_{AB}$   
with  $r \rightarrow r+1$

$$\langle \psi' | \psi \rangle_{AB} \geq 1 - 1/n \quad \therefore n = 1/\varepsilon \text{ suffices.}$$

## The impossibility and the possibility of embezzlement:

Qualitative no-go theorem:  $|\psi\rangle_{AB} |00\rangle_{A'B'} \not\leftrightarrow |\psi\rangle_{AB} |\phi\rangle_{A'B'}$

Possibility of approximate embezzlement :  
poor "continuity" of the no-go theorem

But even a poor continuity bound still limits how well embezzlement can be approximated -- higher accuracy requires more dimensions in the catalyst!

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$$\varepsilon \geq f^{-1} \left( \frac{E(|\phi\rangle)}{\log Nd} \right) \Leftrightarrow \bar{E}(|w_1\rangle) - \bar{E}(|w_2\rangle) \geq E(|\phi\rangle)$$

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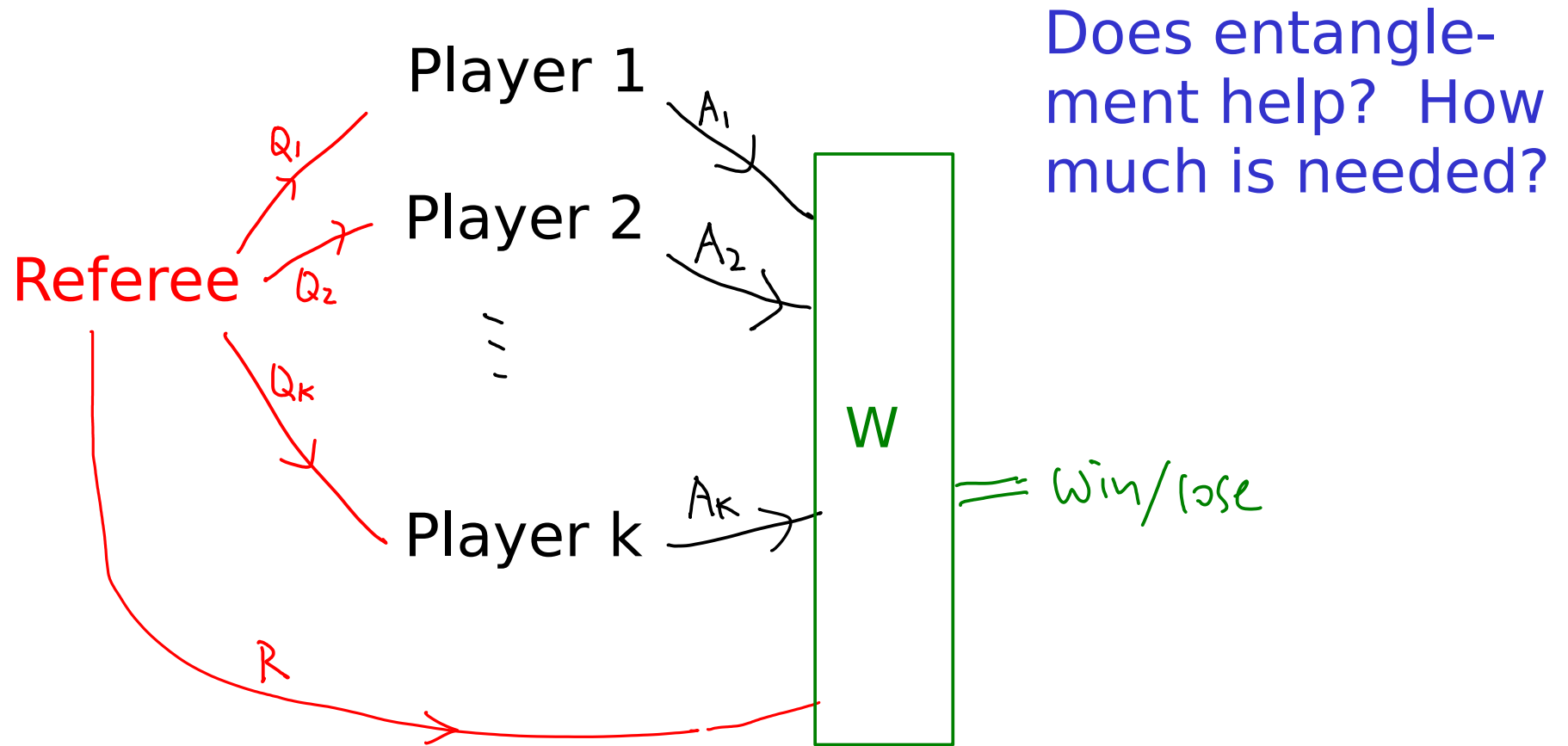
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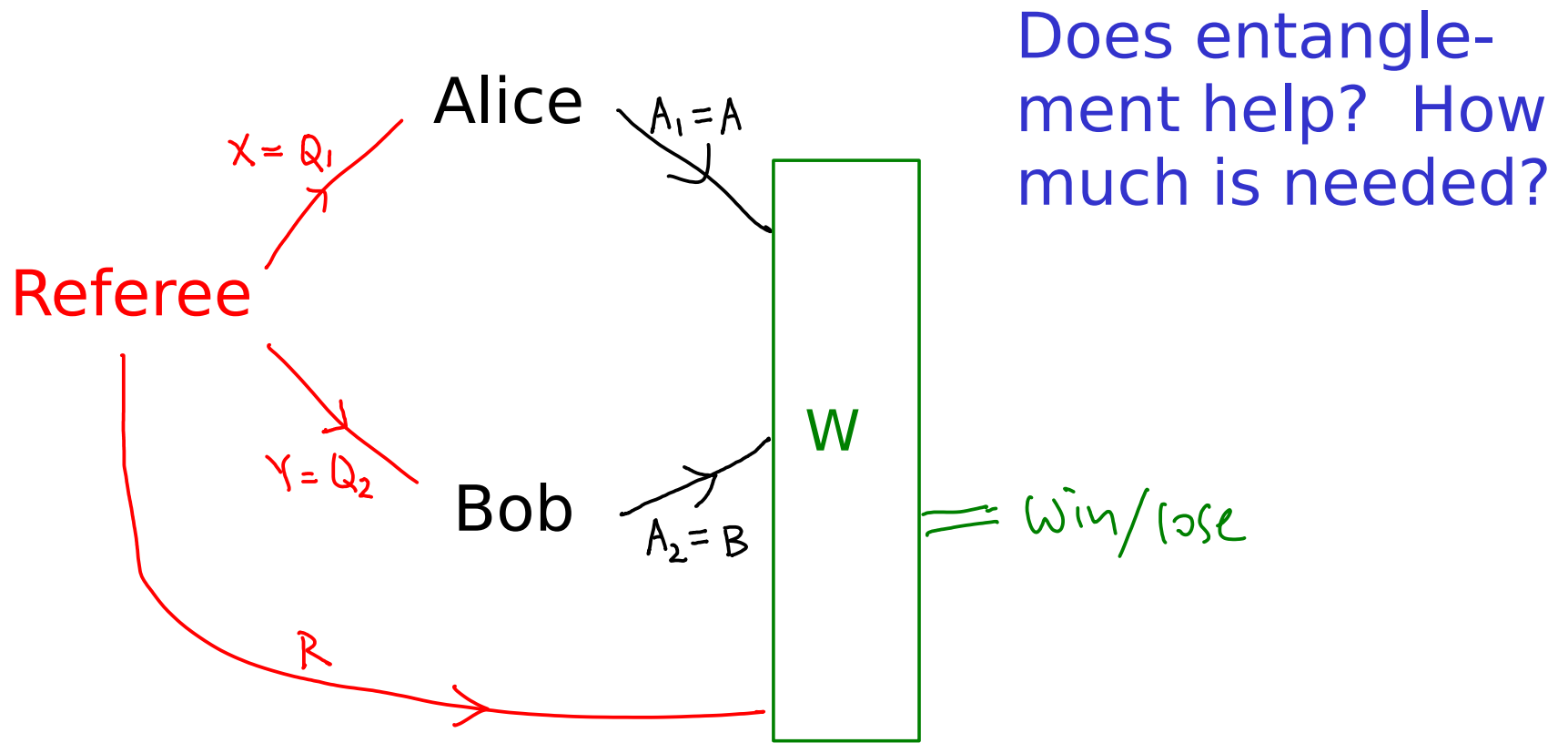


Initial pure state on  $R, Q_1, Q_2, \dots, Q_k$       2-outcome POVM meas

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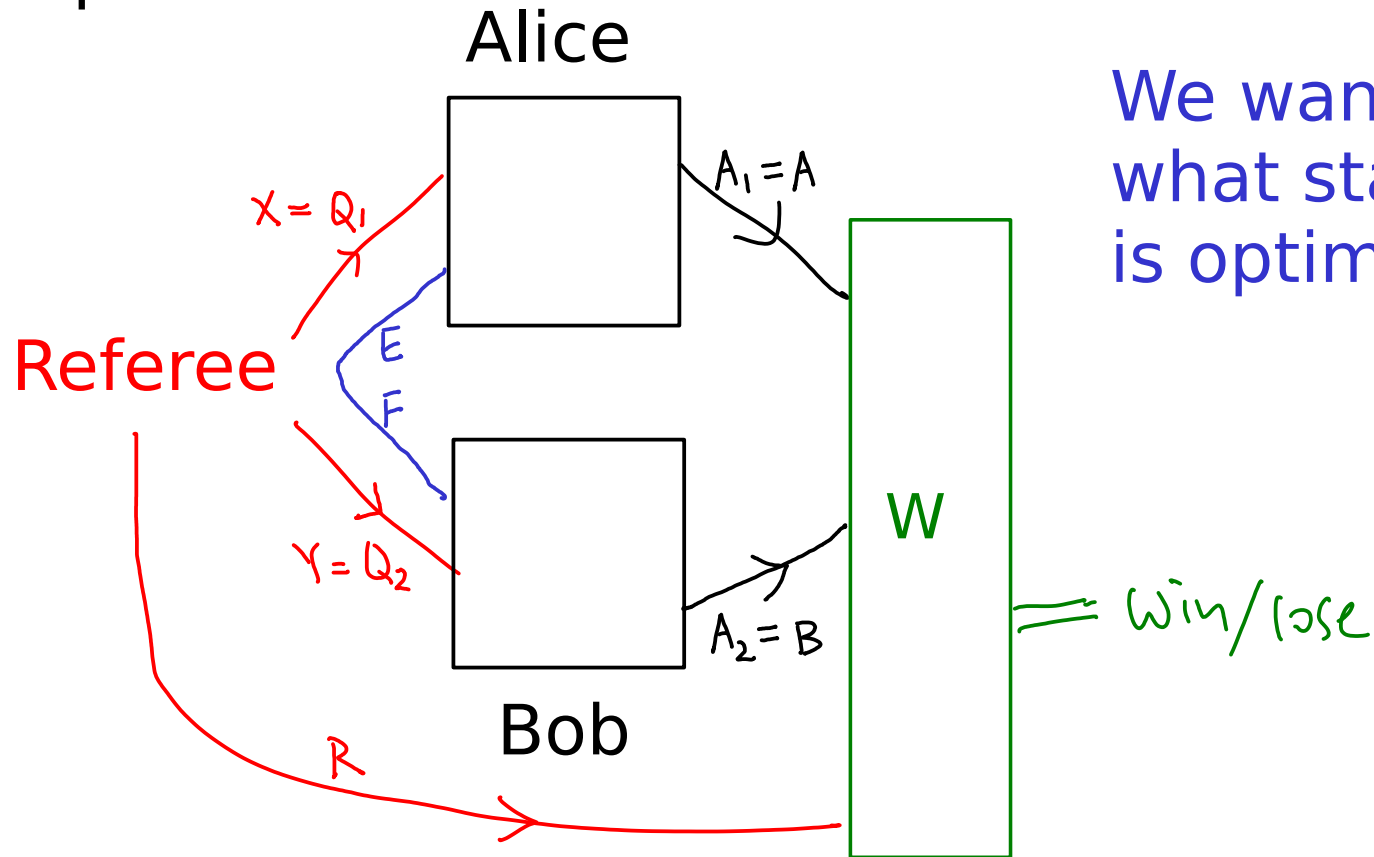
Does entanglement help? How much is needed?

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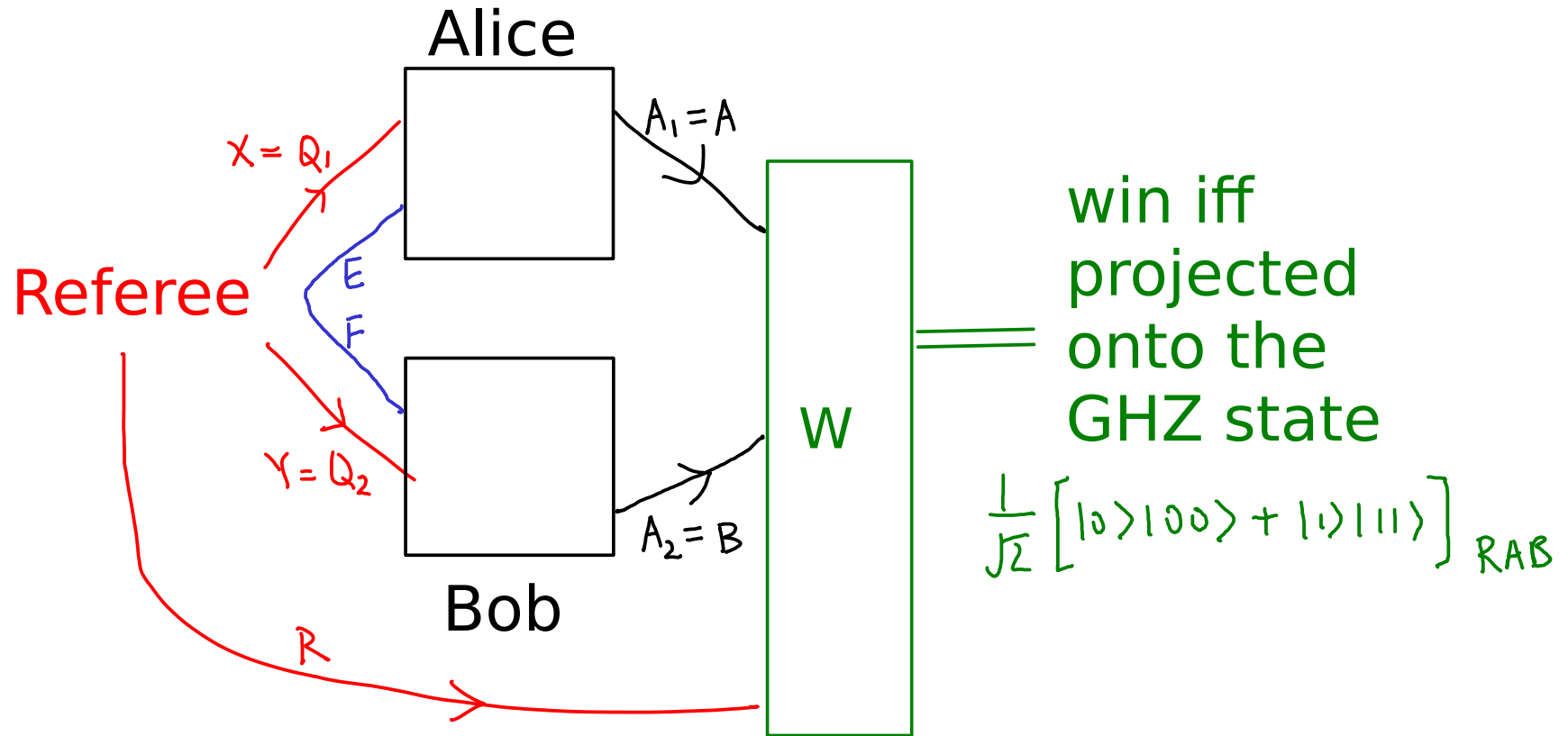
We want to know what states in  $EF$  is optimal.

Initial pure state  
on  $RXY$

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known to Alice and Bob

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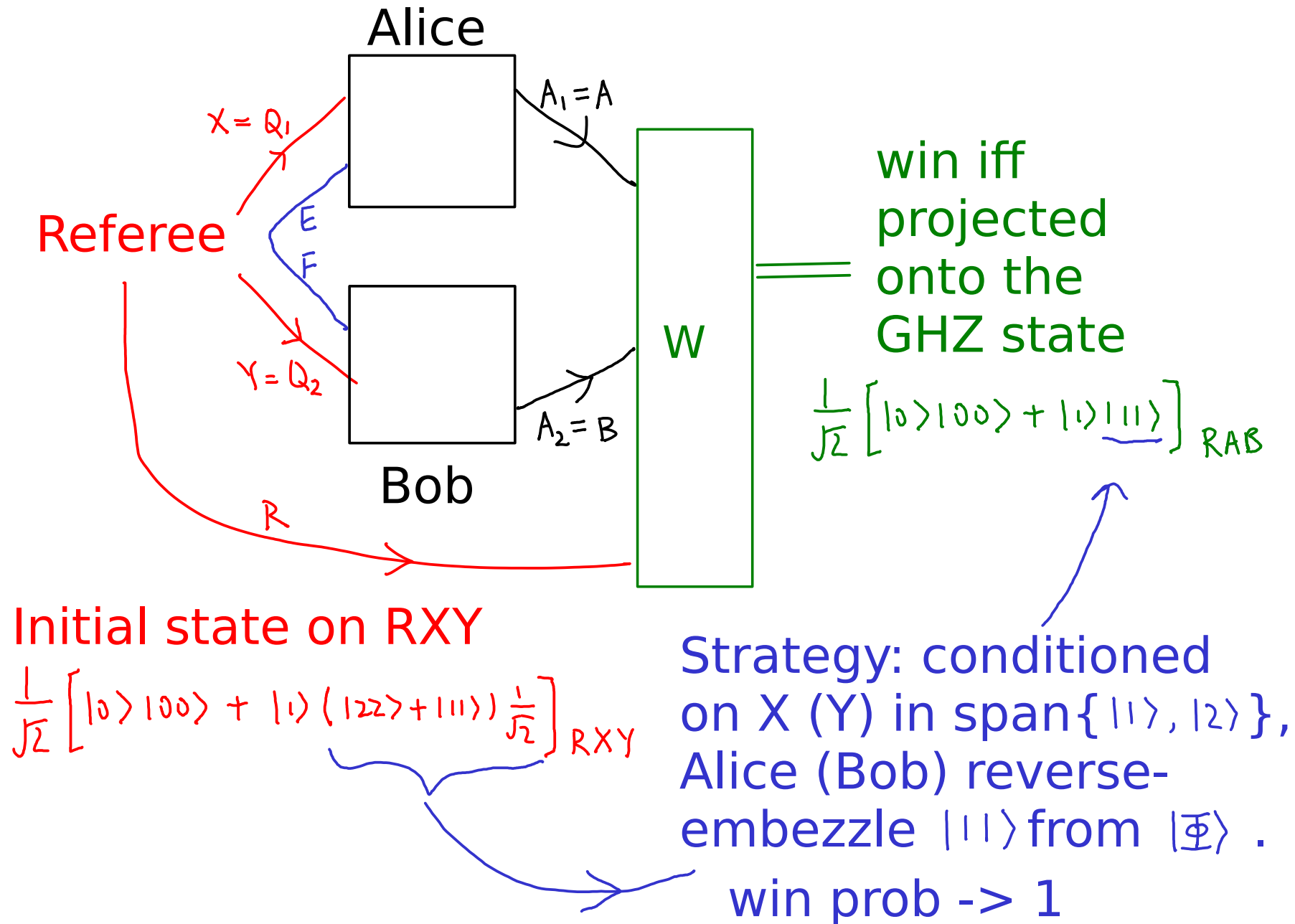


Initial state on RXY

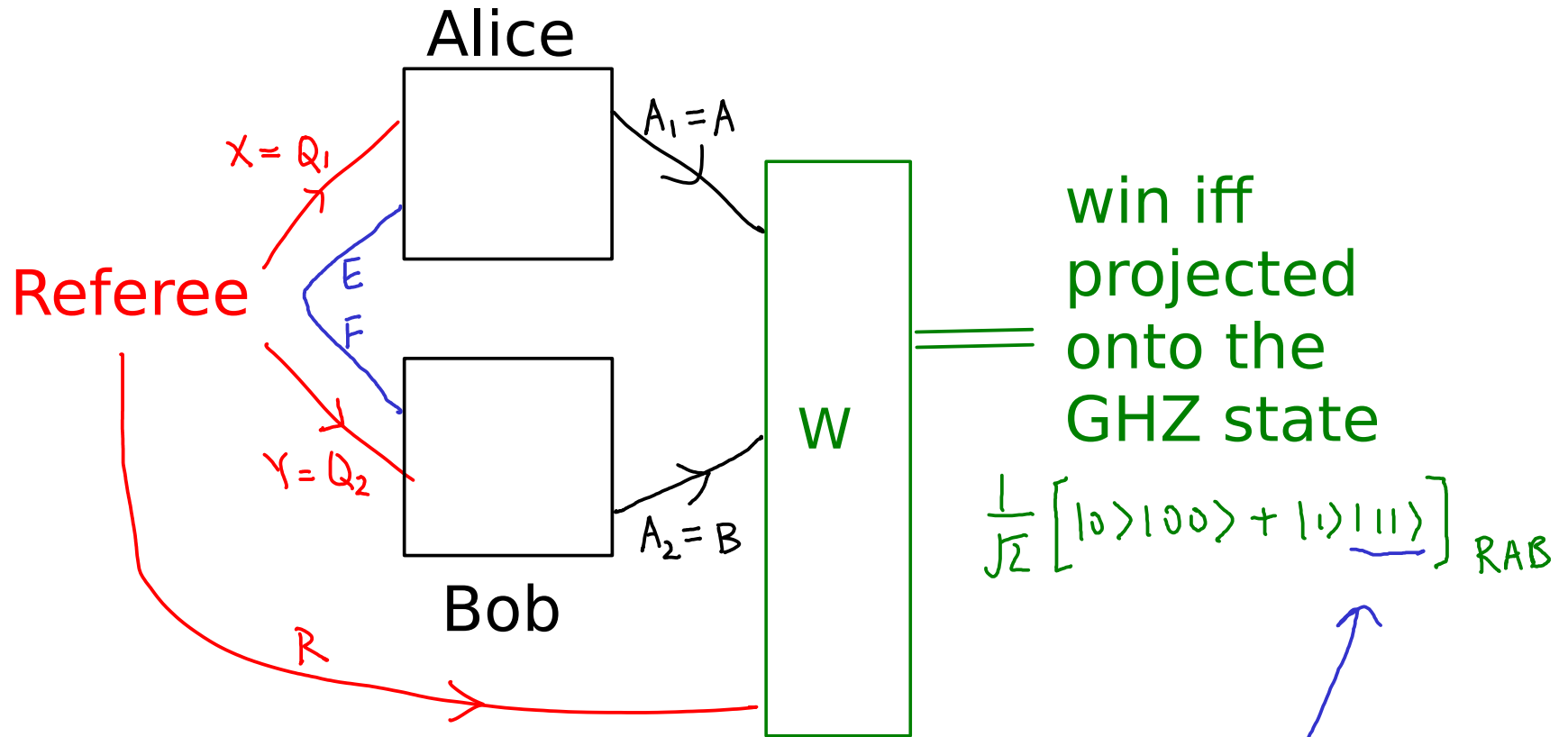
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No other way to win:  
win prob  $< 1 - \log^{-2} \dim(E)$

Strategy: conditioned on X (Y) in  $\text{span}\{|1\rangle, |2\rangle\}$ , Alice (Bob) reverse-embezzle  $|11\rangle$  from  $|\Phi\rangle$ .  
win prob  $\rightarrow 1$

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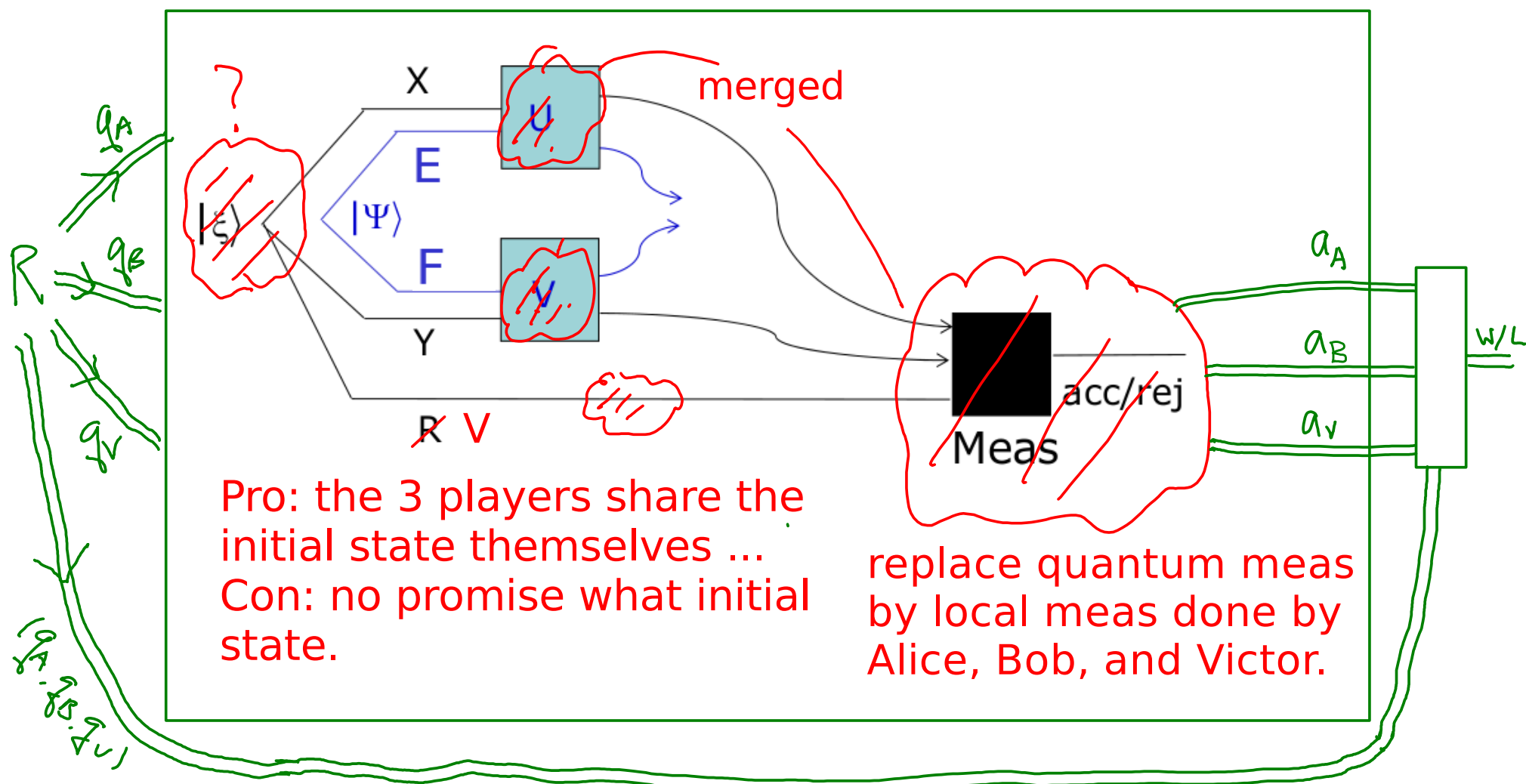
How to turn the questions and answers classical yet the parties still have to embezzle (so more entanglement is always better)?

Regev, Vidick 1207.4939:

Turned  $R, A, B$  classical, but  $X, Y$  remain quantum.

New idea:

Turn the 2-player embezzlement game into a 3-player nonlocal game, such that the original referee becomes a 3rd player (Victor). Add a new referee for the new nonlocal game (3EMB).





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New ingredient:

A test P3 for 3 players: in this test, each player can be asked one of 6 possible questions. To win with high prob, they have to share 2 GHZ states and measure in X and Z (up to local isometries).

Obtained by merging the GHZ game with the Magic Square game ...

want:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ |0\rangle |00\rangle + |1\rangle (|22\rangle + |11\rangle) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right]_{VAB}$$

↓

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ |0\rangle |00\rangle + |1\rangle |11\rangle \right]_{VAB}$$

or equivalently:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ |0\rangle |00\rangle |00\rangle + |1\rangle |11\rangle (|00\rangle + |11\rangle) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right]_{V_1 A_1 B_1 A_2 B_2}$$

↓ want

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ |0\rangle |00\rangle + |1\rangle |11\rangle \right]_{V_1 A_1 B_1}$$

Try the following instead:

Enforce initial state (2 GHZs):

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ |0\rangle |00\rangle + |1\rangle |111\rangle \right]_{V_1 A_1 B_1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ |0\rangle |00\rangle + |1\rangle |111\rangle \right]_{V_2 A_2 B_2}$$

Enforce an additional controlled-Hadamard from V1 to V2

$$\frac{1}{2} \left[ |0\rangle |00\rangle_{V_1 A_1 B_1} \left[ |0\rangle |00\rangle + |1\rangle |111\rangle \right]_{V_2 A_2 B_2} + |1\rangle |111\rangle_{V_1 A_1 B_1} \left[ \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} |00\rangle + \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} |111\rangle \right]_{V_2 A_2 B_2} \right]$$

// conditioned on  $|0\rangle_{V_2}$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ |0\rangle |00\rangle |00\rangle + |1\rangle |111\rangle (|00\rangle + |111\rangle) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right]_{V_1 A_1 B_1 A_2 B_2}$$

↓ want

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ |0\rangle |00\rangle + |1\rangle |111\rangle \right]_{V_1 A_1 B_1}$$

Enforce the final state:

(2 GHZs)

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ |0\rangle |00\rangle + |1\rangle |111\rangle \right]_{V_1 A_1 B_1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ |0\rangle |00\rangle + |1\rangle |111\rangle \right]_{V_3 A_3 B_3}$$

## The nonlocal game 3EMB:

Each player receives a question from P3, Victor receives also a bit  $v$ , Alice and Bob both receive the same bit  $w$ .

	V	A/B	Queries & win conditions	Rigidity achieved
(a)	0	0	P3 on V1A1B1 and V2A2B2	GHZ on V1A1B1, V2A2B2 X,Z measurements
(b)	1	0	Victor must apply c-H on V1V2 & meas V2 honestly	wp 1/2, postmeas strate on V1A1B1A2B2 = initial state for embezzlement game
(c)	1	1	P3 on V1A1B1 and V3A3B3	Alice, Bob need to reverse-embezzle to prepare GHZ on V1A1B1

Victor cannot tell (b) from (c)

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Alice, Bob cannot tell (a) from (b)

Qns similar for (a)-(c)

The referee interacts with three players, labeled  $P_V$ ,  $P_A$  and  $P_B$ . Each player receives a question taken from the set  $\{0, 1\} \times \mathcal{Q}$ , where  $\mathcal{Q}$  is specified in (3). We use the symbol  $\pi_V, \pi_A, \pi_B$  to denote the first component (lying in  $\{0, 1\}$ ) of the question to  $P_V, P_A$  and  $P_B$  respectively. It will always be the case that  $\pi_A = \pi_B = \pi$ . In the game,  $P_V$  should reply with 3 bits  $(u, v) \in \{0, 1\} \times \{\pm 1\}^2$ , while  $P_A, P_B$  each reply with 2 bits  $a, b \in \{\pm 1\}^2$  respectively. Let  $v = (v_1, v_2), a = (a_1, a_2), b = (b_1, b_2)$ .

The referee performs either of the following tests chosen at random with equal probability:

- (a) The referee sets  $\pi_V = \pi = 0$ . He executes the test P3 with the three players, inserting the question from P3 as the second component of their question, and checking validity of the triple  $(v, a, b)$  extracted from the players' answers as would the verifier in P3.
- (b) The referee sets  $\pi_V = 1$  and  $\pi = 0$ . The second component of  $P_V$ 's question is chosen uniformly at random from  $\mathcal{Q}$ . The referee performs either of the following with equal probability:
  - (i) Send both  $P_A$  and  $P_B$  the question  $r_2$ . Let  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  be the answers associated with entries  $iz$  and  $zi$  respectively. Reject if  $a_1 = 1$  and  $((u = 0$  and  $a_2 = -1)$  or  $(u = 1$  and  $a_2 = 1))$ . Accept in all other cases.
  - (ii) Send both  $P_A$  and  $P_B$  the question  $c_1$ . Let  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  be the answers associated with entries  $xi$  and  $iz$  respectively. Reject if  $a_2 = -1$  and  $((u = 0$  and  $a_1 b_1 = -1)$  or  $(u = 1$  and  $a_1 b_1 = 1))$ . Accept in all other cases.
- ~~(c)~~ The referee sets  $\pi_V = 1$  and  $\pi = 0$ . He sets the second component of  $P_V$ 's question to  $r_2$ . He sends both  $P_A$  and  $P_B$  the same question,  $r_2$ . The referee rejects if  $a_1 \neq v_2$  or  $b_1 \neq v_2$ .
- ~~(d)~~ The referee sets  $\pi_V = \pi = 1$ , and executes the test P3 as in part (a). If  $u = 0$  the referee accepts if and only if the players' answers  $(v, a, b)$  pass the test P3. If  $u = 1$  the referee always accepts.

## Summary:

Our 3-player game [with 12 qns to each player, 3-bit ans from Victor, 2-bit ans from each of Alice and Bob] satisfies the following:

1. win  $w_p > 1 - \epsilon$  using ent state with 3 qubits held by Victor and  $O(1/\epsilon)$  qubits held by each of Alice, Bob.
2. win  $w_p > 1 - \epsilon$  requires ent state with at least  $\Omega(e^{-1/32})$  qubits held by some parties.



## Open problems:

1. Can we prove that I3322 is an example for the conjecture, and if so, is the reason related to that in the I4533 by Coladangelo and Stark?
2. For the quantum game, if we fix the dims for the questions and answers, find an upper bound for the dim of the entangled state as a function of  $\epsilon$ , where the winning prob is  $\epsilon$  from optimal?
3. For the complexity class  $\text{MIP}^*$ , is there a bound on the entanglement required? What is  $\text{MIP}^*$ ?
4. The multi-partyembezzlement catalyst can be made universal in a very inefficient way. Is there a more efficient catalyst?