

A Bestiary of Sets and Relations

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Introduction

Today, in this talk: a veritable bestiary of sets and relations.



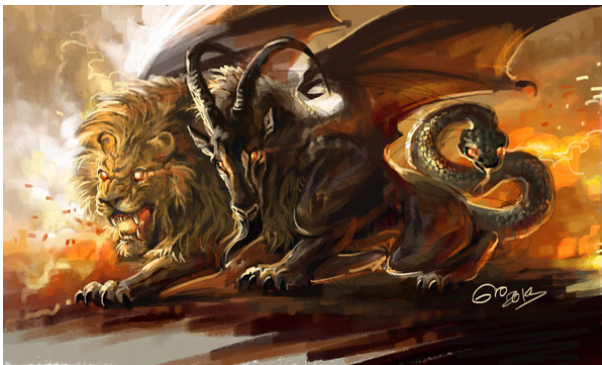
Credit: Aberdeen Bestiary

Section 1

Pure State Quantum Mechanics

Pure State Quantum Mechanics in fRel

Looks like fdHilb, but something is not quite right...



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5. These additional degrees of freedom could be related to microscopic degrees of freedom in computation using the groupoid framework of [Bar&Vicary (2014)].

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Section 2

CPM and Decoherence

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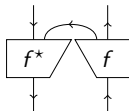
One look at it and things turns to stone. Very classical stone.



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The category $\text{CPM}[\text{fRel}]$

Morphisms in $\text{CPM}[\text{fRel}]$ take the usual doubled-up form:



where the compact-closed structure on fRel is given by:

$$\cap_X := (x, y) \mapsto \delta_{xy} : X \times X \rightarrow 1$$

$$\cup_X := \Delta_X : 1 \rightarrow X \times X$$

We call \cap_X the **discarding map** $X \xrightarrow{\text{CPM}} 1$, and we will say that a CPM morphism $R : X \xrightarrow{\text{CPM}} Y$ is **causal** iff $\cap_Y \cdot R = \cap_X$.

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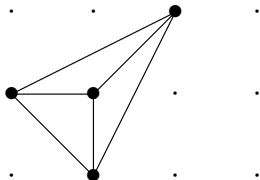
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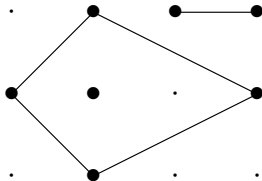
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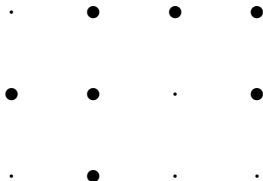
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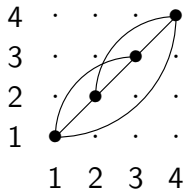
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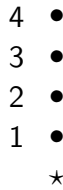


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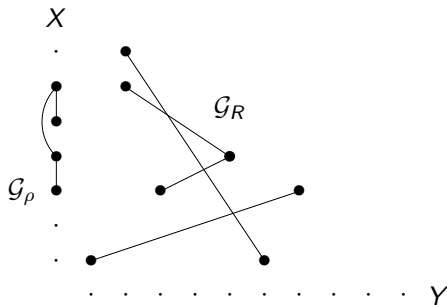
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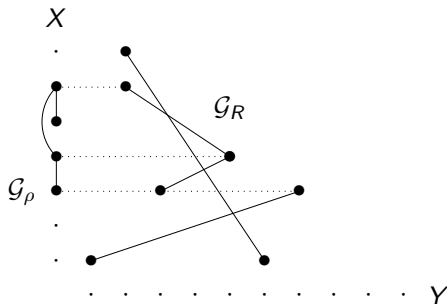
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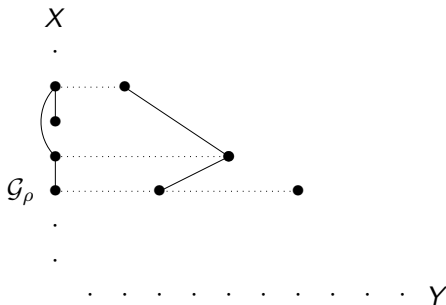
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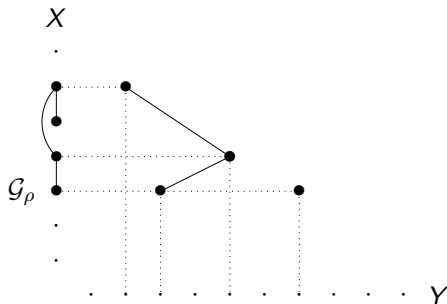
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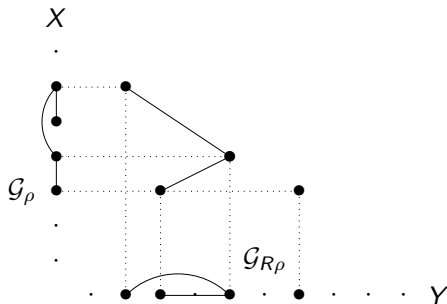
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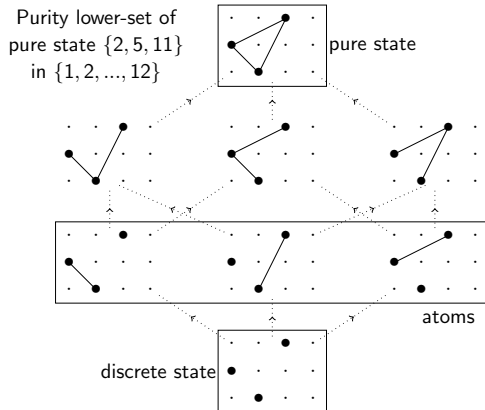
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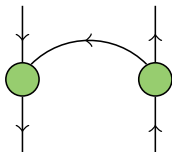
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- Therefore every pure state ρ (clique \mathcal{G}_ρ) can be expressed as a convex combination of non-pure states (the atoms of $\rho \downarrow$).

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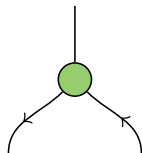
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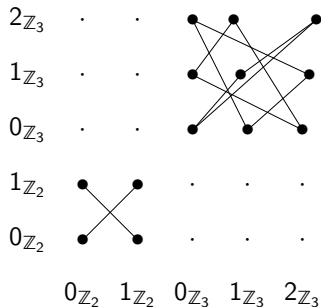
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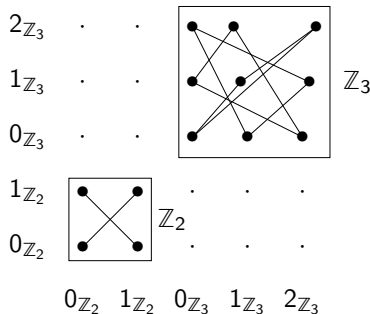
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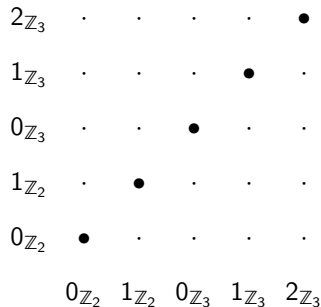
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Section 3

Measurements and Locality

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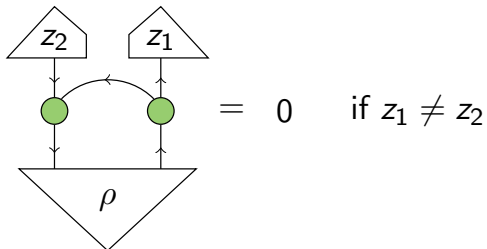
The riddle with no apparent answer. We should ask Oedipus.



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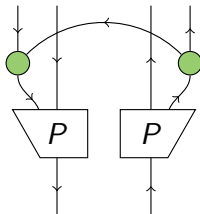
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- Testing against \bullet -classical points yields a more familiar scenario for decoherence:



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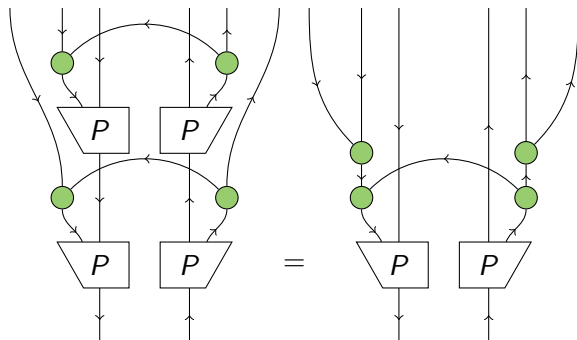
Let \bullet be a classical structure in a compact-closed \dagger -SMC on some object Z . A \bullet -valued **non-demolition measurement** on some object X is a causal CPM morphism $M : X \xrightarrow{CPM} X \otimes Z$ taking the following form, and which is \bullet -idempotent and \bullet -self-adjoint:



Causality is equivalent to $P : X \rightarrow X \otimes Z$ being an isometry.

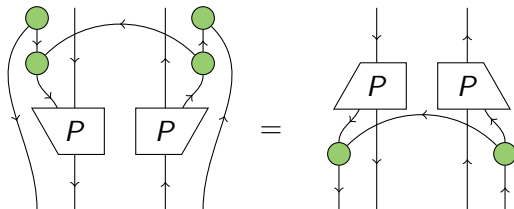
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- Because of the convex-combination issues with decoherence in fRel, we are forced to test the demolition measurement \bar{M} against classical points of \bullet to get the classical outcomes:

$$\left(\bar{M}_\lambda := \rho_{G_\lambda}^\dagger \cdot \bar{M} \right)_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$$

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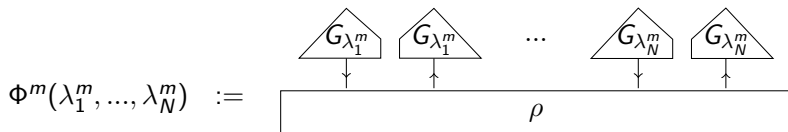
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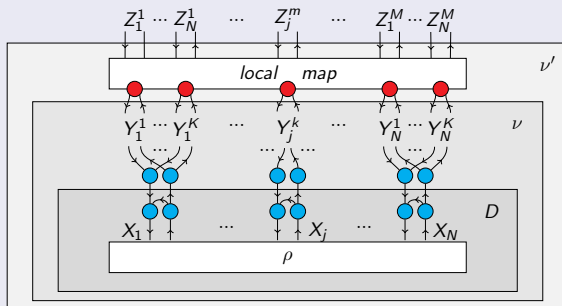


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Thank You!

Thanks for Your Attention!

Any Questions?

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