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## QUANTUM HYPOTHESIS TESTING

- Goal: decide between two alternative explanations for the data observed.
- Two hypotheses:

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{H}_0 : \rho^{\otimes n} & \text{(null hypothesis)} \\ \mathcal{H}_1 : \sigma^{\otimes n} & \text{(alternative hypothesis)} \end{cases}$$

- Decision: a POVM  $\{\Pi_0, \Pi_1\}$ .
- Two types of decision error:

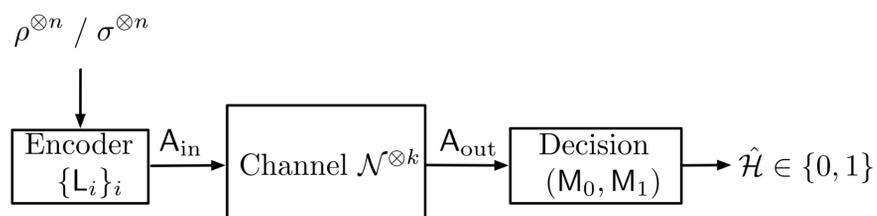
$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_n &= \text{Tr}(\Pi_1 \rho^{\otimes n}) \\ \beta_n &= \text{Tr}(\Pi_0 \sigma^{\otimes n}) \end{aligned}$$

- Objective: minimize the Type II error under a constraint on the Type I error.
- Best exponential decay rate of the Type II error:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{n} \log \beta_n^* = D(\rho \parallel \sigma)$$

## PROBLEM DEFINITION

- An encoder receives a quantum state.
- It applies a quantum operation.
- It sends the result over the channel.
- The channel can be used  $k$  times.
- A decision center receives the resulting quantum state.
- It applies a measurement and takes a guess.



## RESULTS

- We restrict our attention to a subset of channels.

$$\mathcal{N}_1 := \{ \mathcal{N} \mid \exists \varrho \succeq 0 \text{ satisfying } \text{trace}(\varrho) = 1, \text{rank}(\mathcal{N}(\varrho)) = N_{\text{out}} \}$$

- We then divide this set into two classes:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C} &:= \{ \mathcal{N} \in \mathcal{N}_1 \mid \forall \tau \succeq 0 \text{ with } \text{trace}(\tau) = 1 \\ &\quad \text{it holds that } \text{rank}(\tau) = N_{\text{out}} \} \end{aligned} \quad \bar{\mathcal{C}} := \mathcal{N}_1 \setminus \mathcal{C}.$$

- We get that the best exponential rate of decay  $\theta$  for the type II error under a constraint  $\epsilon$  on the Type I error is:

**Theorem 1:** If  $\mathcal{N} \in \mathcal{C}$ , then for all  $\epsilon \in [0, 1)$ :

$$\theta^*(\epsilon) = 0.$$

and if  $\mathcal{N} \in \bar{\mathcal{C}}$ , then for all  $\epsilon \in [0, 1)$ :

$$\theta^*(\epsilon) = D(\rho \parallel \sigma).$$