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# Bounds on Information Combining With Quantum Side Information

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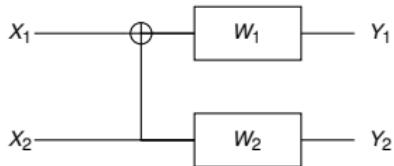
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# Channel picture



$$W_1 \boxplus W_2$$



Notation:

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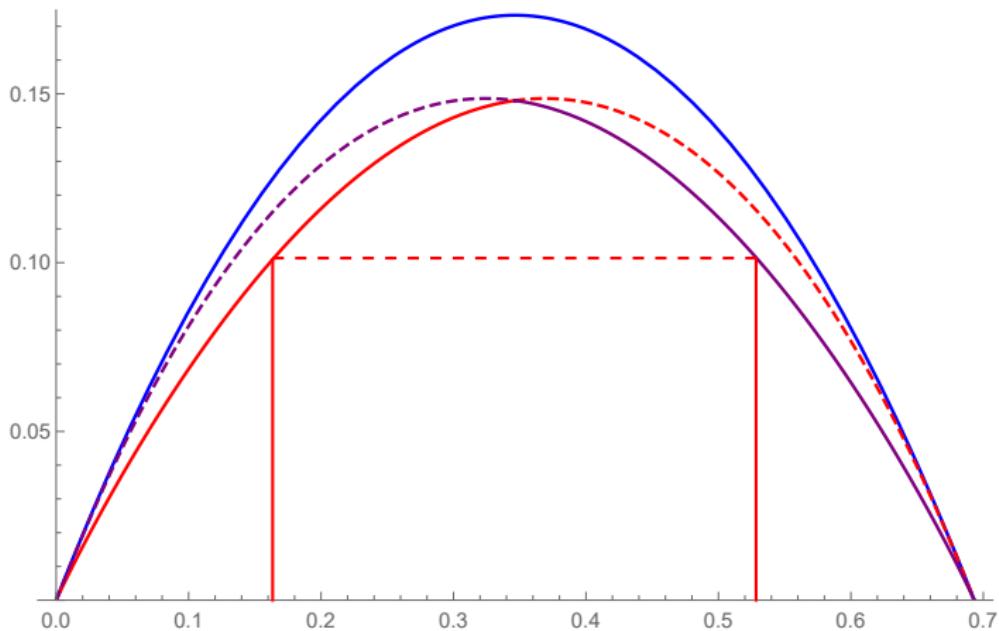
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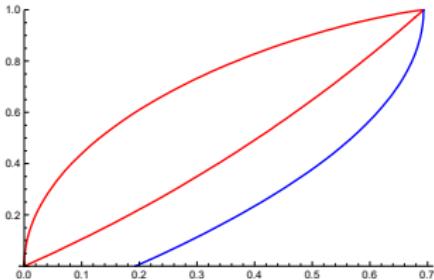
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# Concavity of von Neumann Entropy

Let  $\rho_i \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{C}^d)$  and  $\{\rho_i\}_{i=1}^n$  be a probability distribution.



$$\begin{aligned} H\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \rho_i\right) - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i H(\rho_i) \\ \geq H(\{p_i\}) - \log \left(1 + 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \sqrt{p_i p_j} F(\rho_i, \rho_j)\right). \end{aligned}$$





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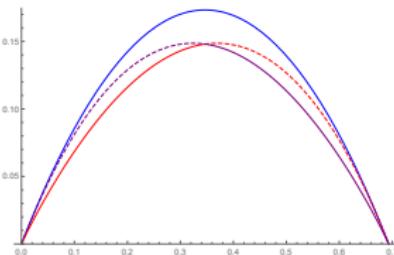
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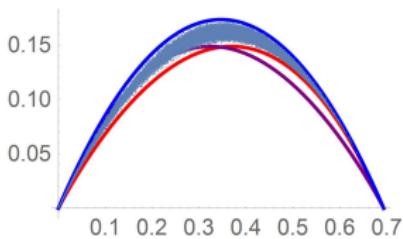
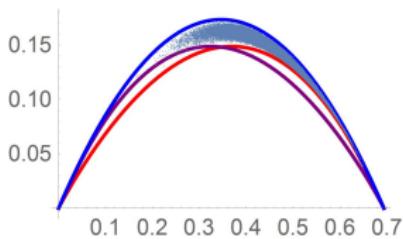
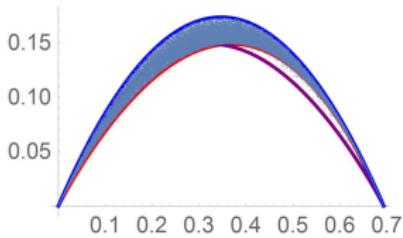
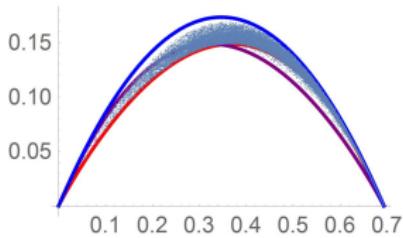
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# Evidence

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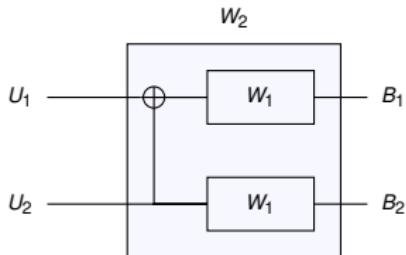
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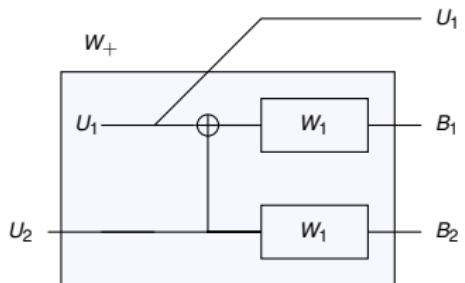
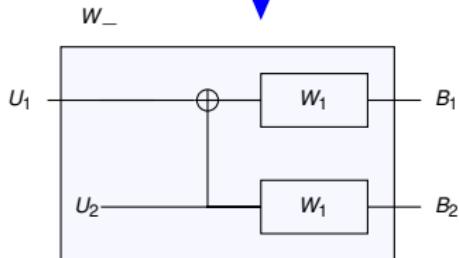
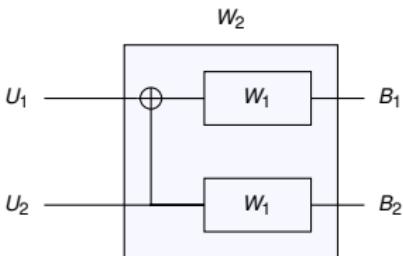
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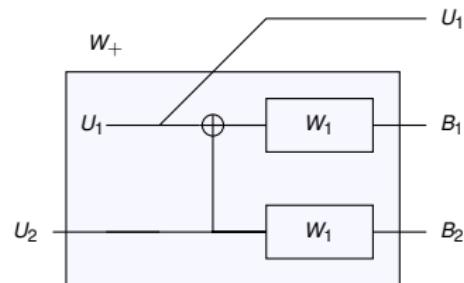
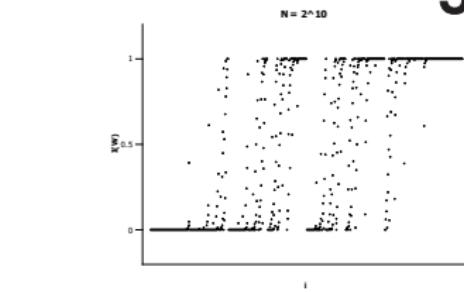
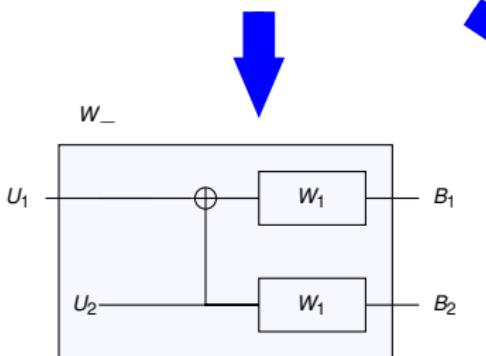
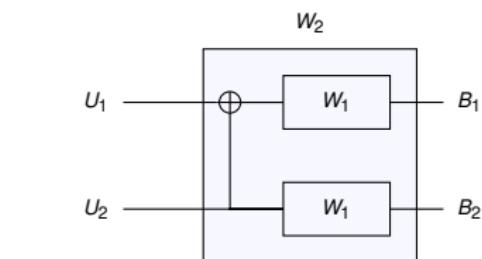
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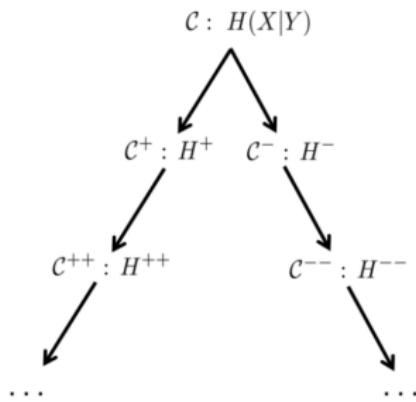
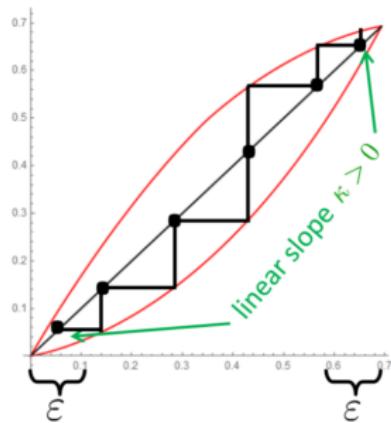
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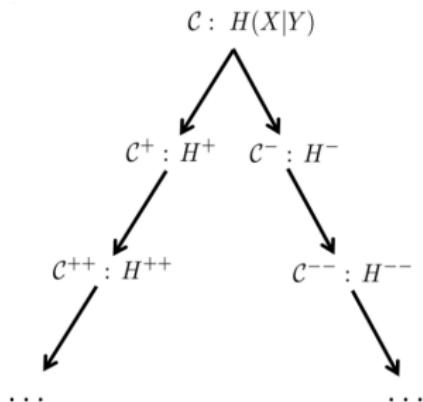
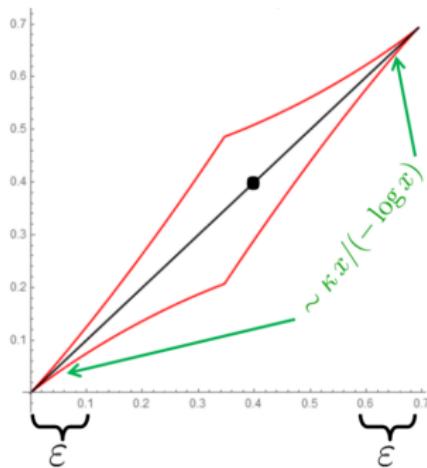


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