

# Capacity Approaching Coding for Low-noise Interactive Quantum Communication

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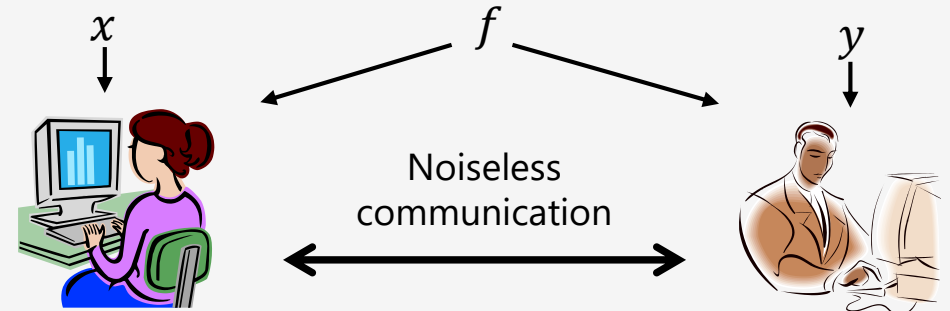
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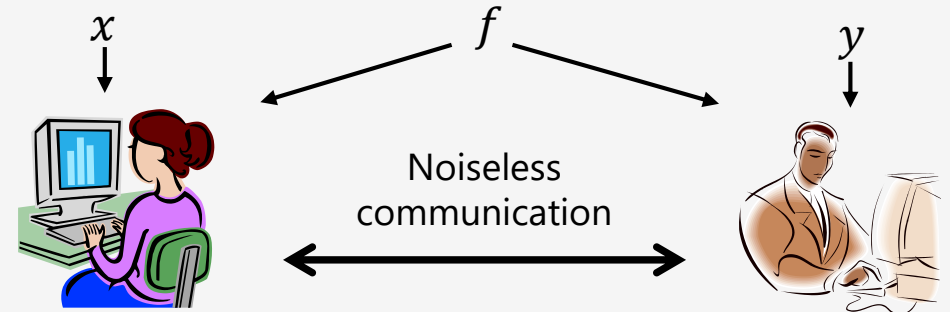


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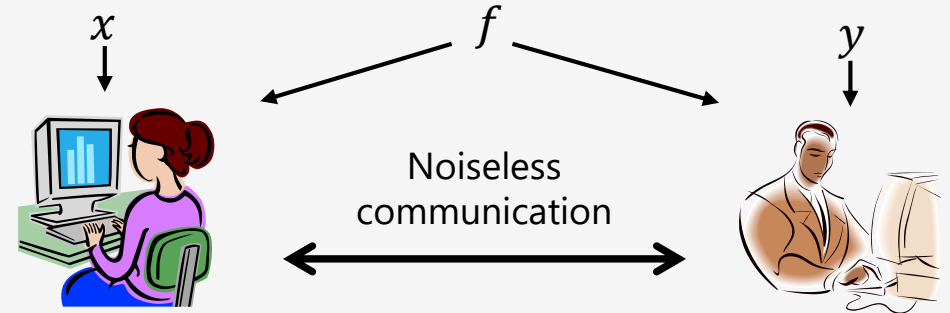


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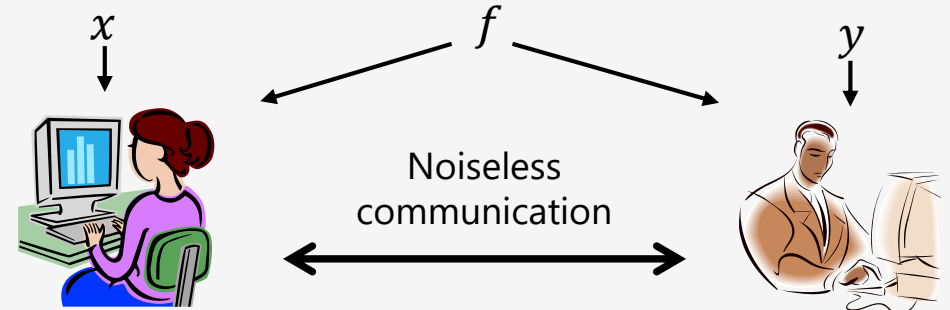


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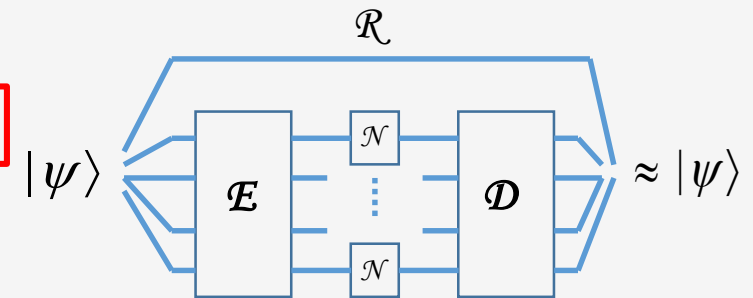
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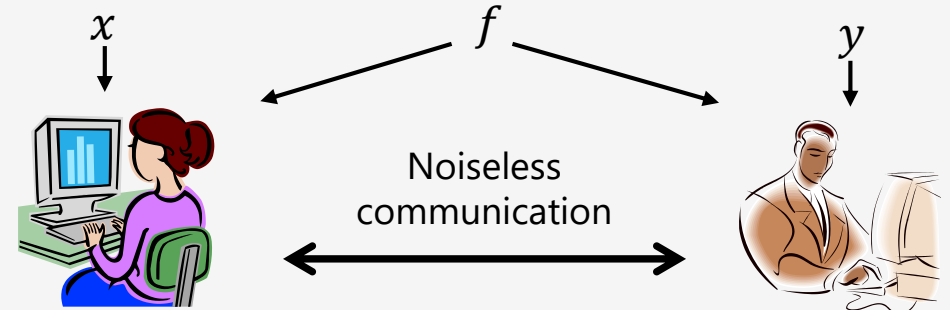


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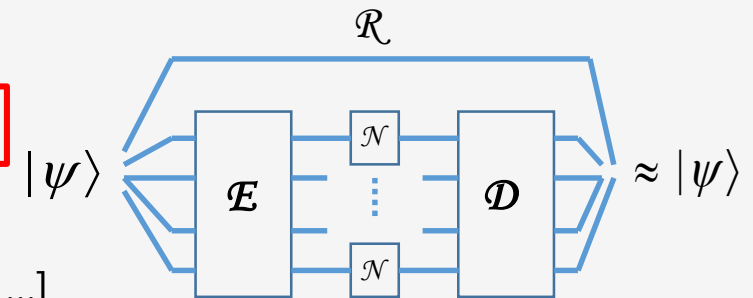


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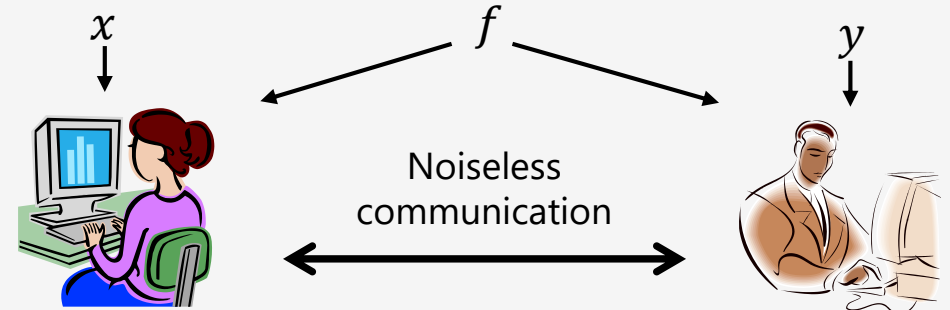


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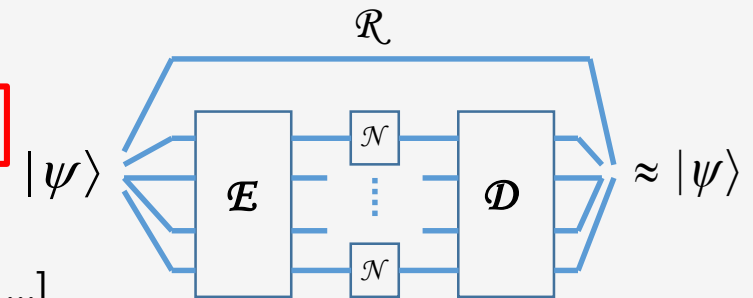
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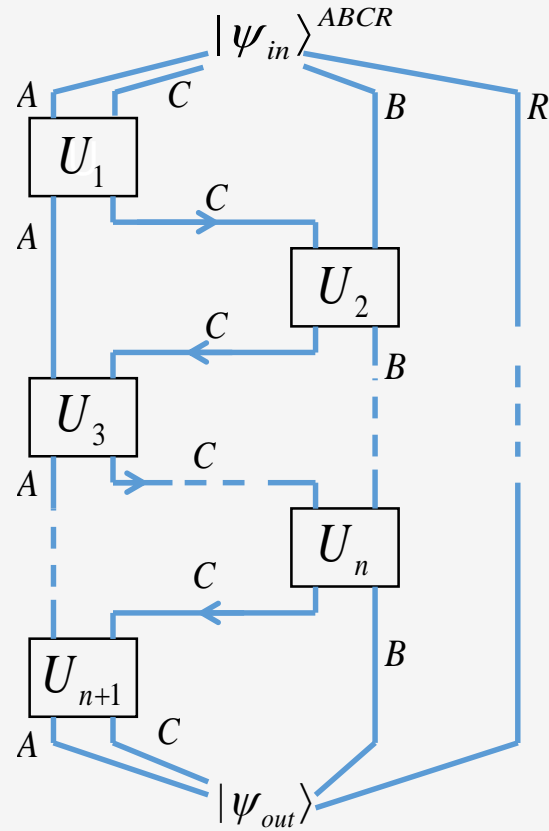
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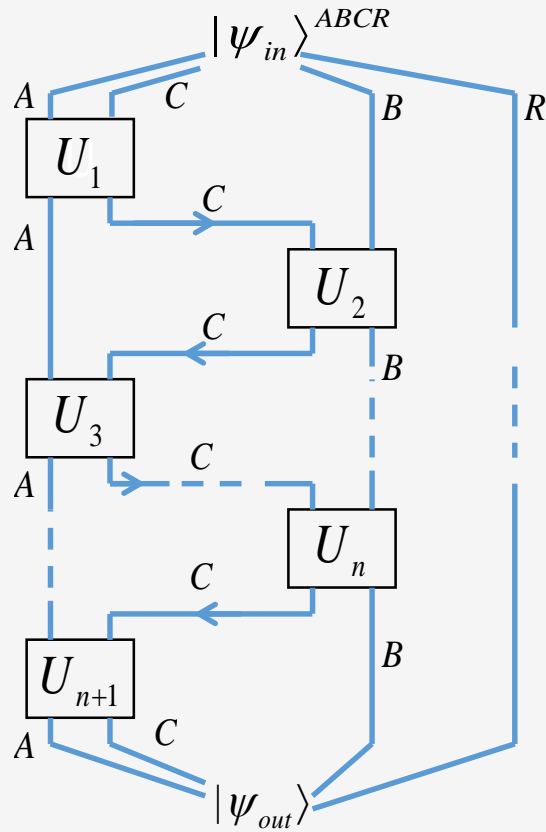




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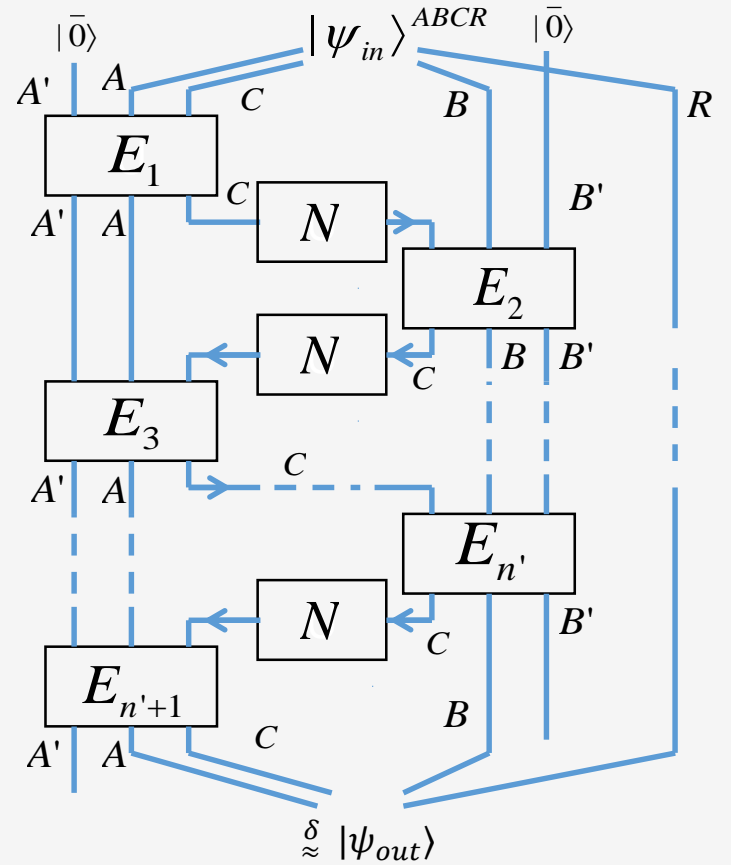
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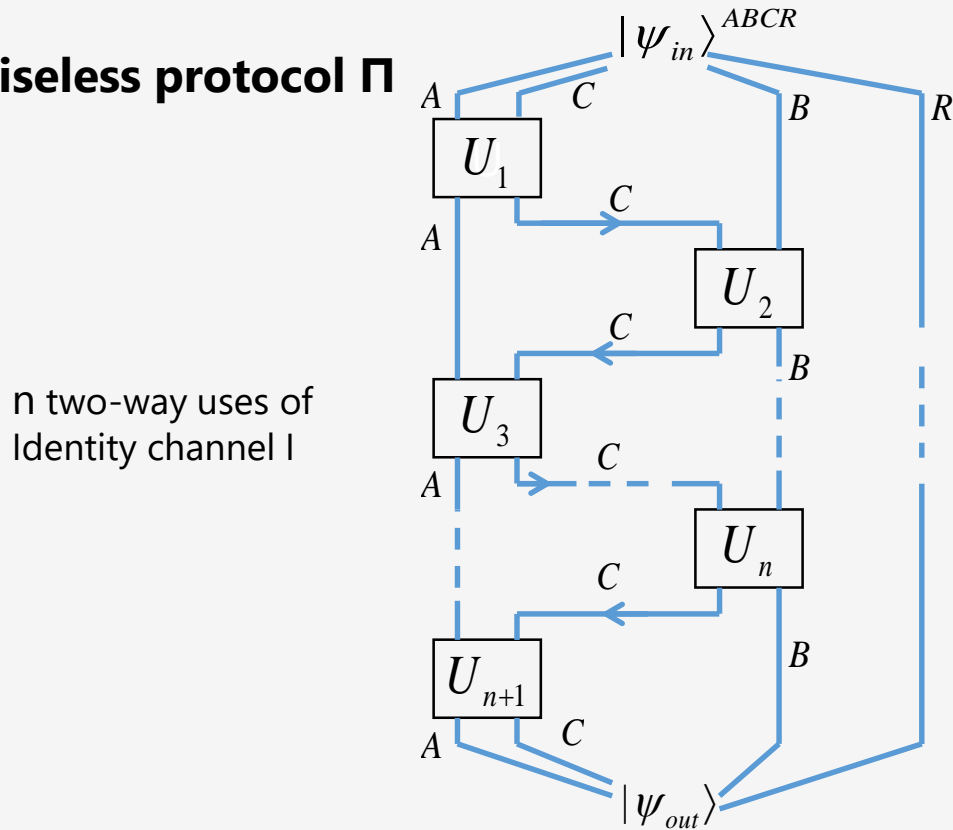
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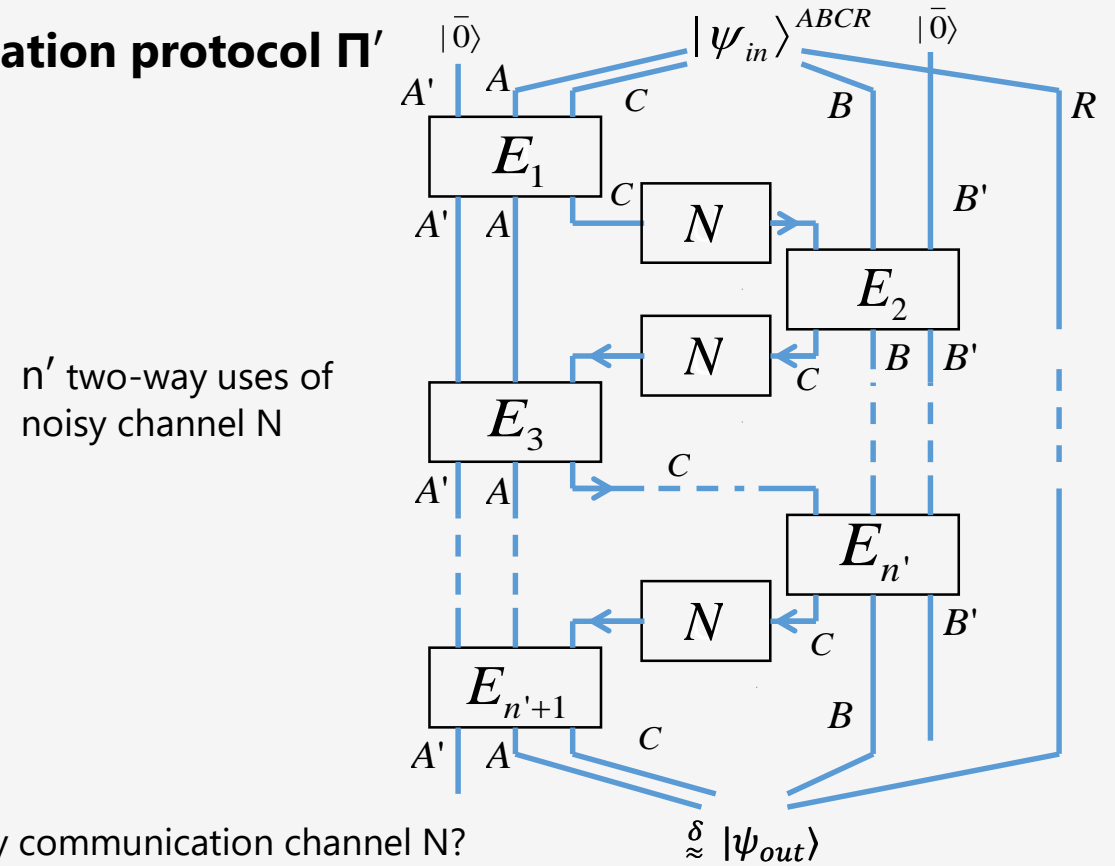


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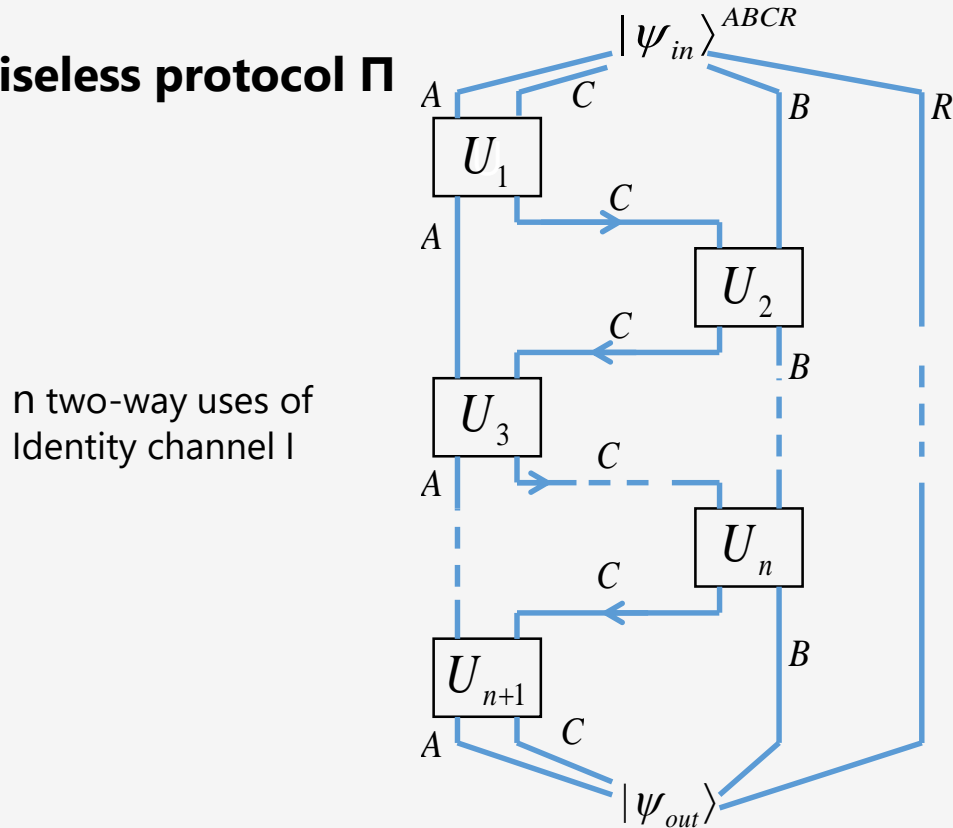
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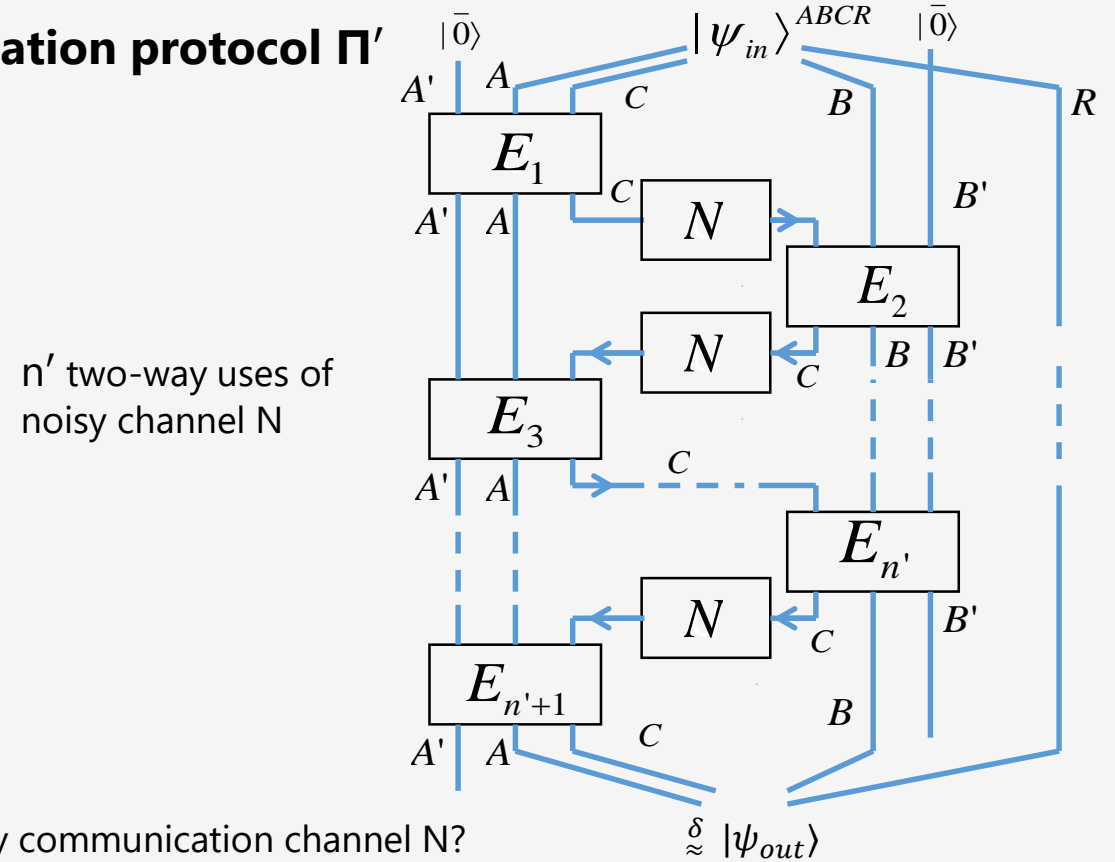
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Communication rate:  $R := n/n'$

Interactive/two-way capacity of  $N$ : Optimal communication rate in the limit of large  $n$  and vanishing distance  $\delta$

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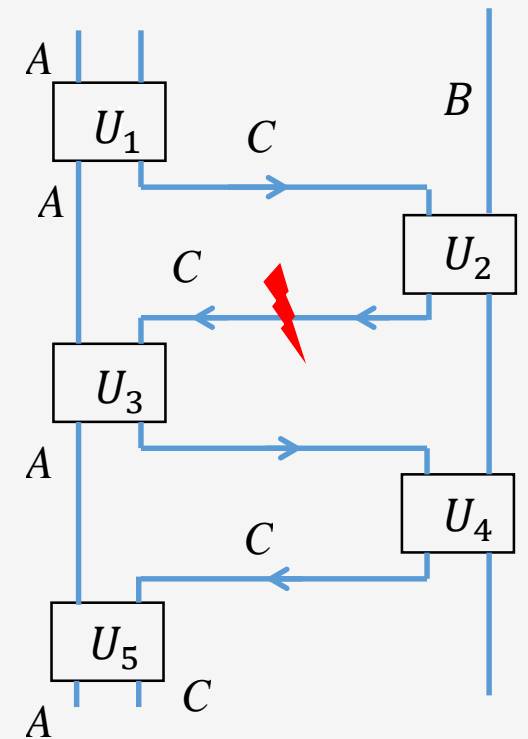
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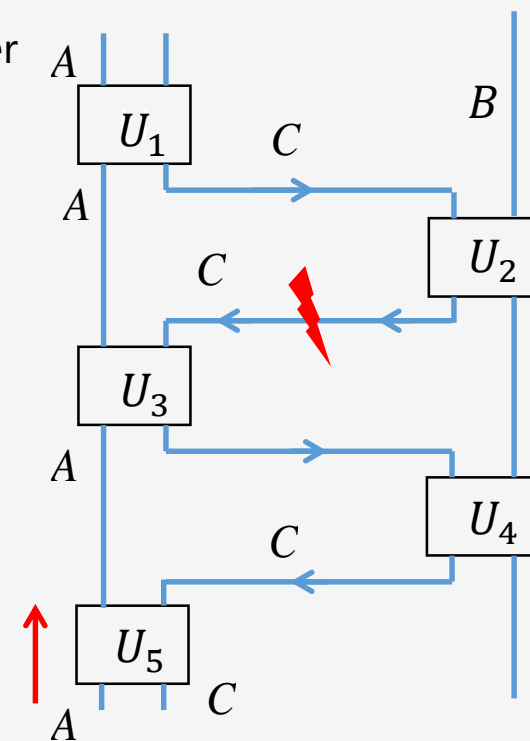
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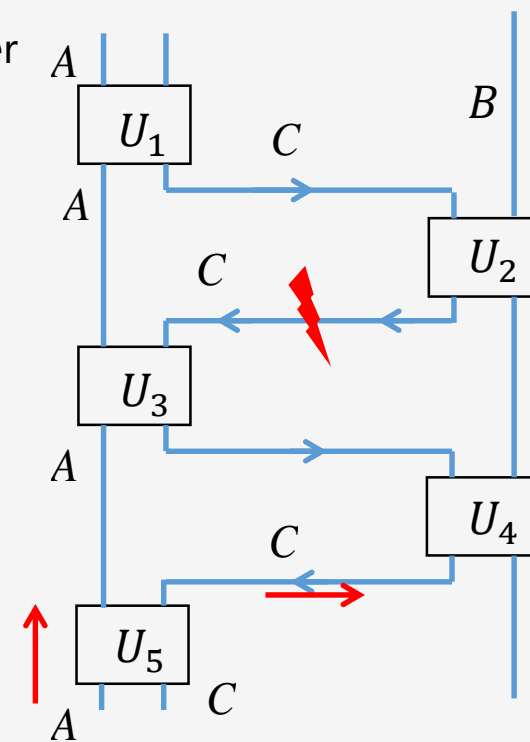
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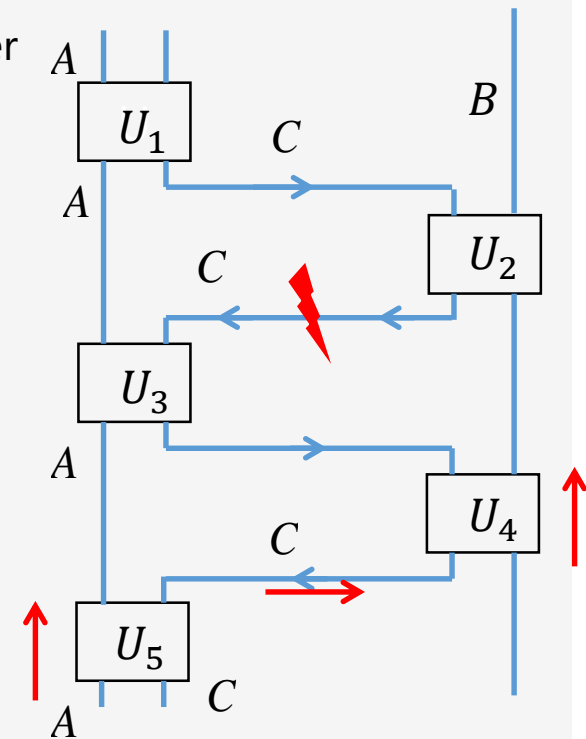


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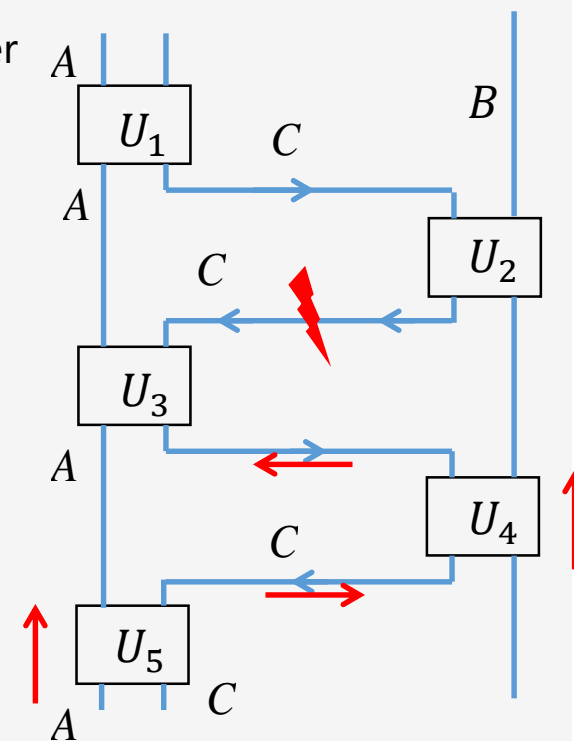
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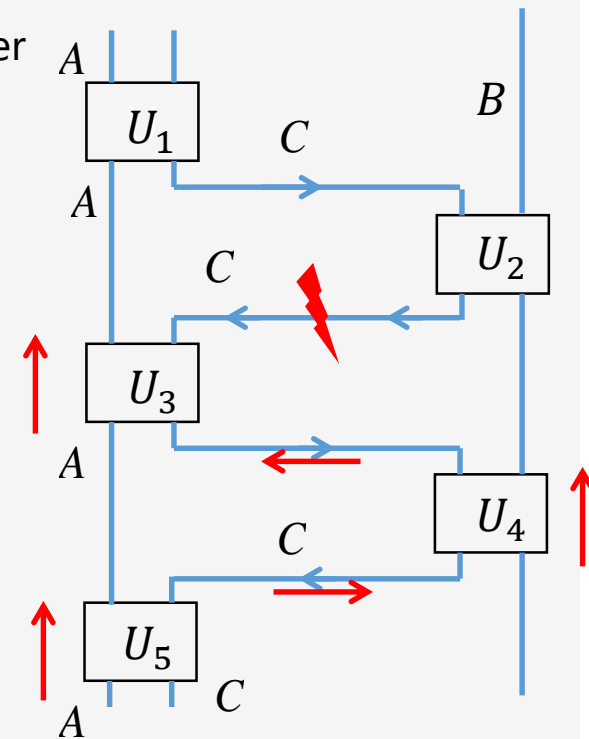


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# Previous Work

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- Noisy interactive communication problem introduced by Schulman [Sch92,Sch93]  
Possible to simulating noiseless interactive communication over a two-way noisy channel with constant overhead ( $C > 0$ )
- Active field of research:
  - Results focused on improving tolerable error-rate and computational efficiency :  
[BR11, GMS11, BK12, FGOS13, BN13, BE14, GH14, GHS14, BKN14, EGH15, ...]  
Mostly based on tree codes, Huge communication overhead even for vanishing error rate
  - [KR13], [Hae14] introduced capacity approaching codes :  
Characterized interactive capacity up to leading order :  $C \rightarrow 1$  with error-rate  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$   
**Random noise:  $C > 1 - O(\sqrt{\epsilon})$  , Adversarial noise:  $C > 1 - O\left(\sqrt{\epsilon \log \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}}\right)$**
  - More recent results: [BEGH16, GH17, HV17, BE17 , ...]

## Quantum :

- Recently, [BNTTU14] proved constant factor communication overhead is possible ( $C > 0$ )  
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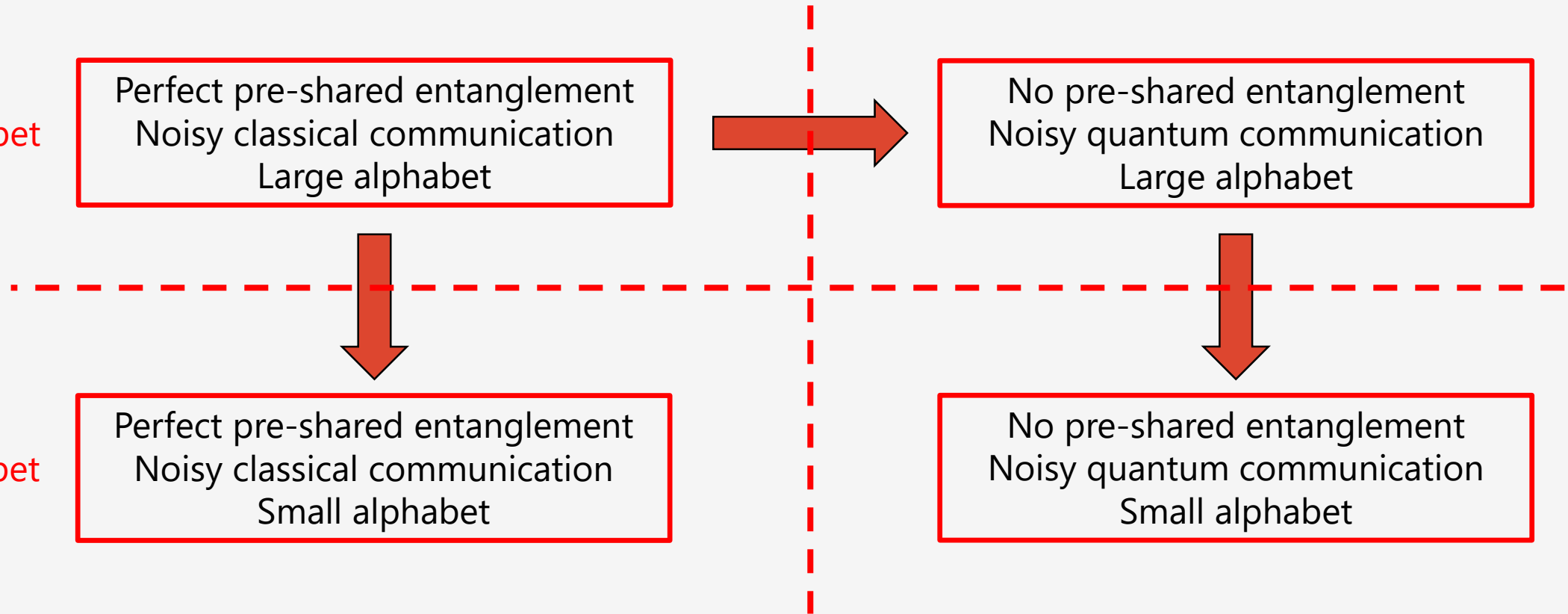
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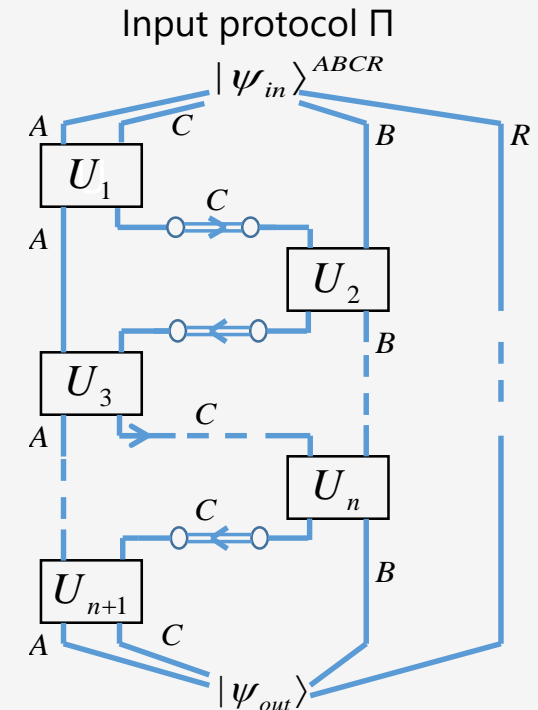
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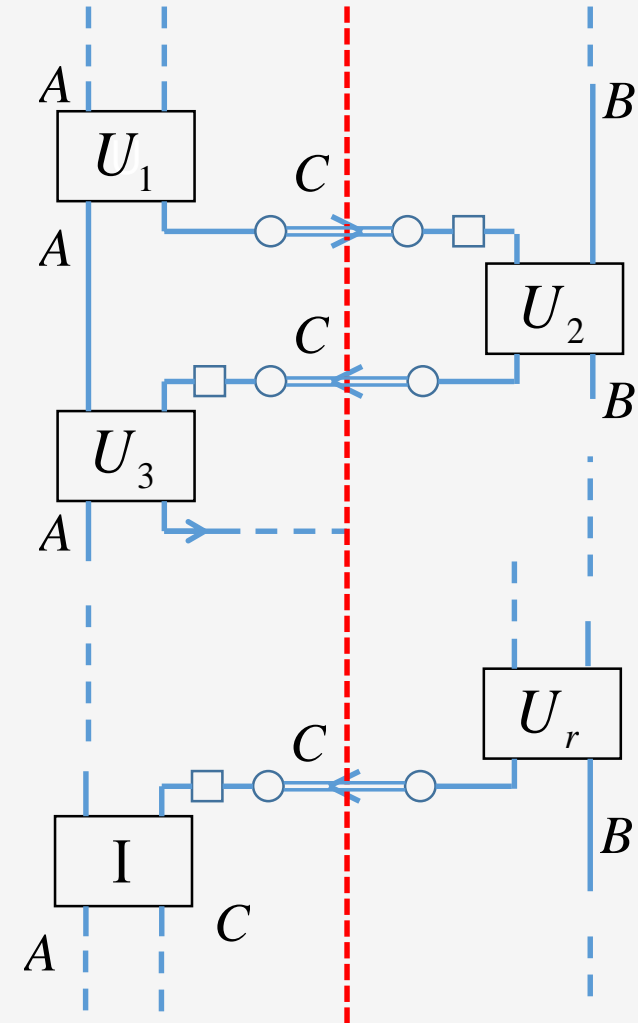
- Introduce sufficient but concise data structure to track :
  - Stage in protocol
  - Type of action in each iteration
  - Teleportation measurement outcomes
  - Received instructions for teleportation decoding
  - Recovery operations
  - Which MESs to use next for teleportation
  - ...
- Each party maintains their own data and an estimate of other party's data
- At the beginning of each iteration, check if the estimates match the actual data (by hashing)
  - No  $\longrightarrow$  resolve the inconsistency in classical data
    - Adapt synchronization mechanism developed by [Hae14] in classical setting
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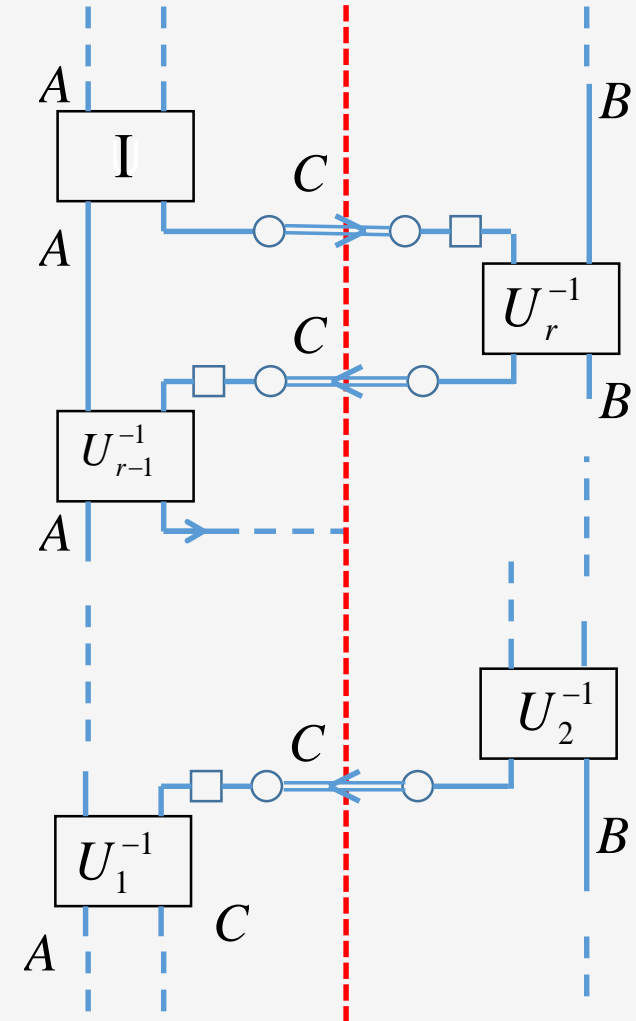
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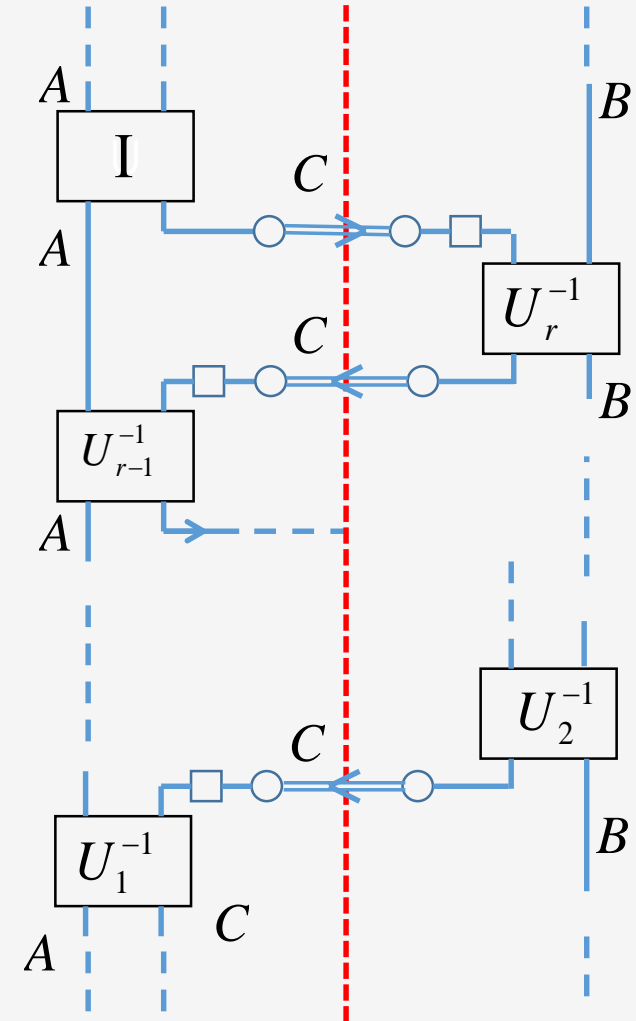


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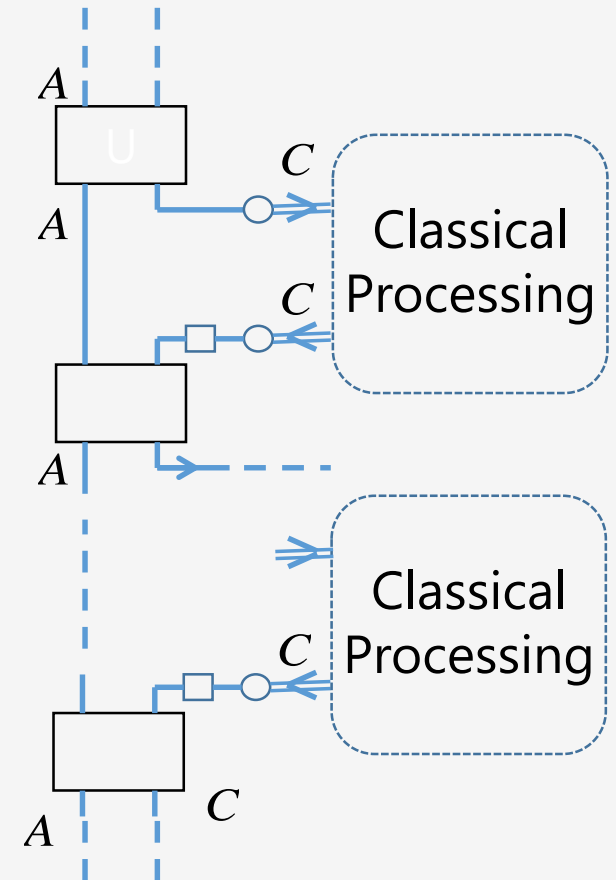
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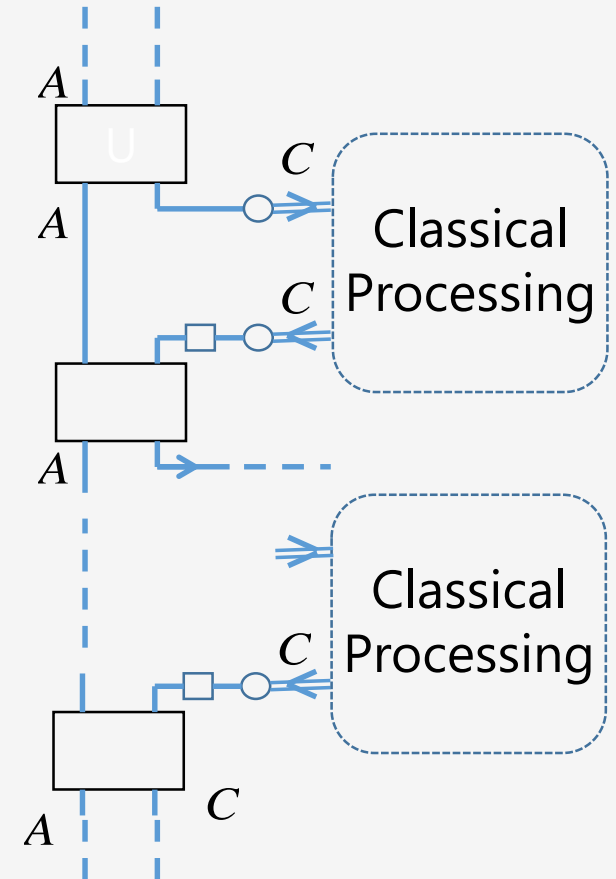


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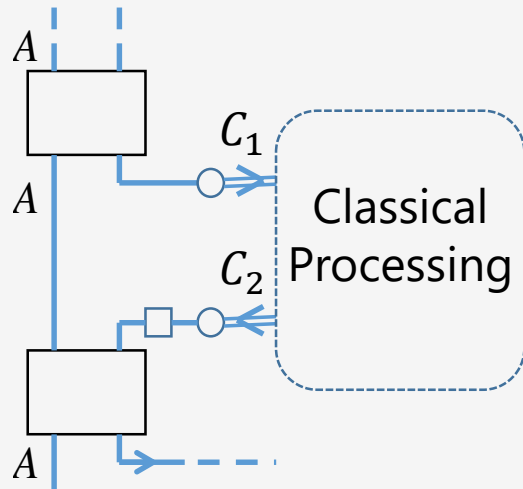


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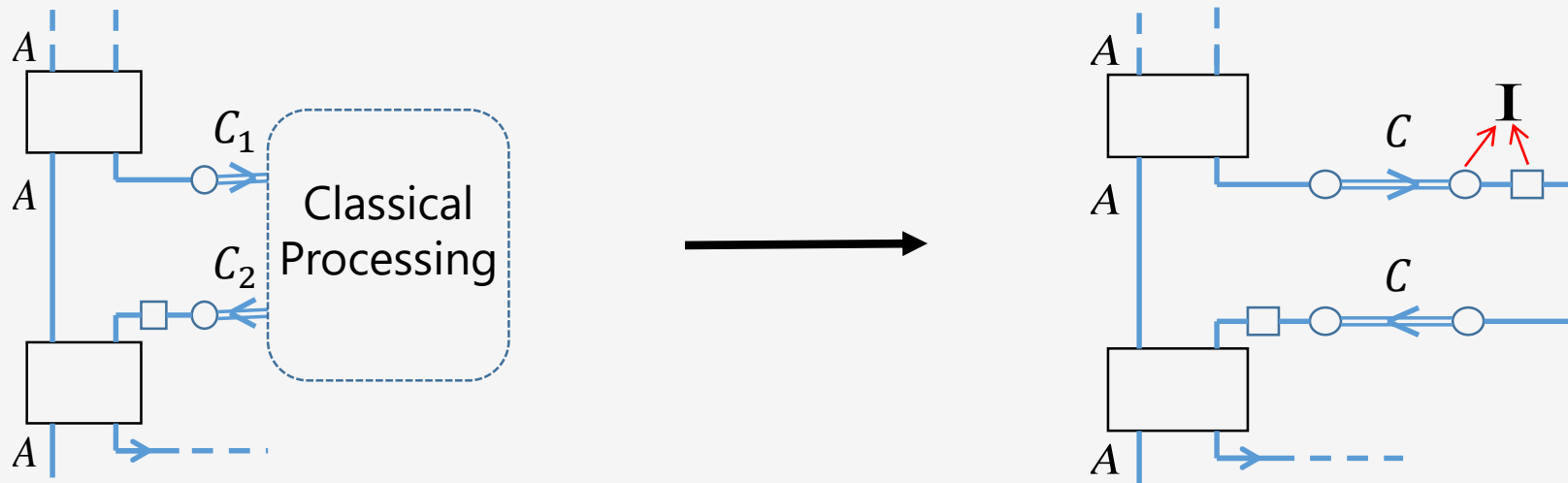
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- Need to **redirect** quantum data back to  $A, B, C$  registers
  - Resolve inconsistencies in classical data
  - Determine which MES to use next
  - "Complete the teleportations"



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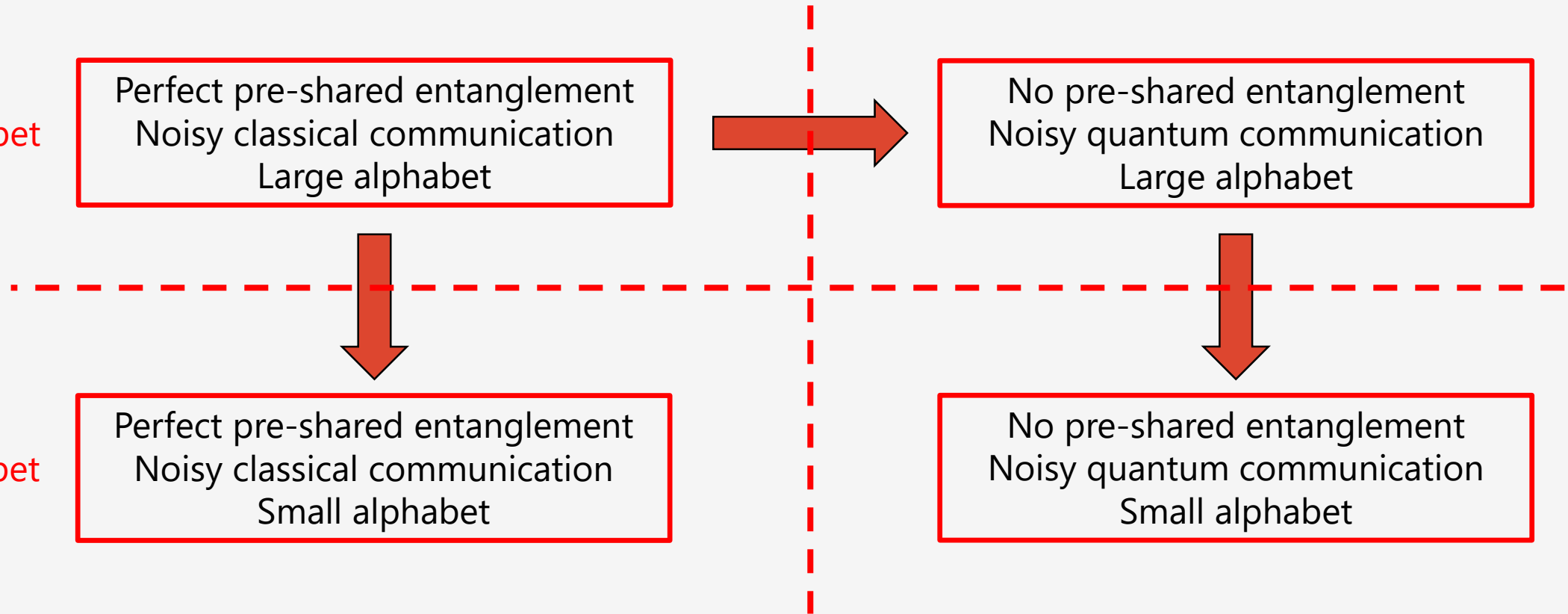
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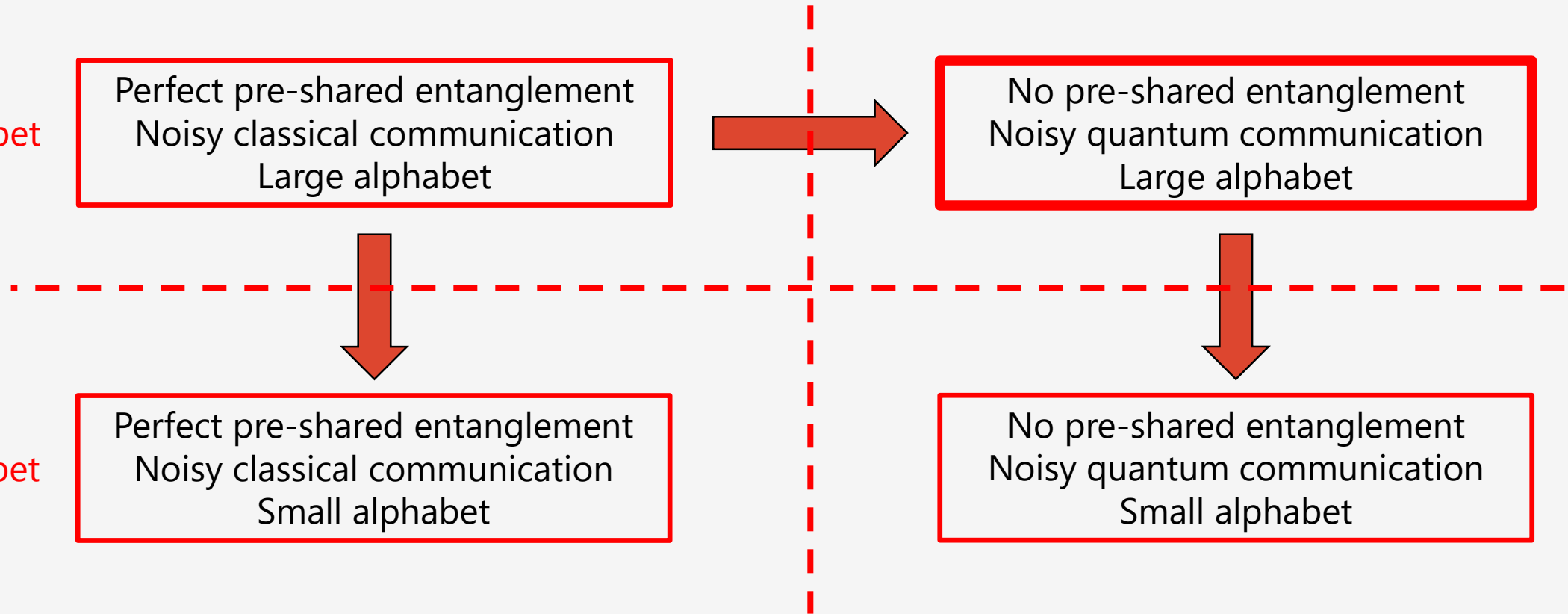
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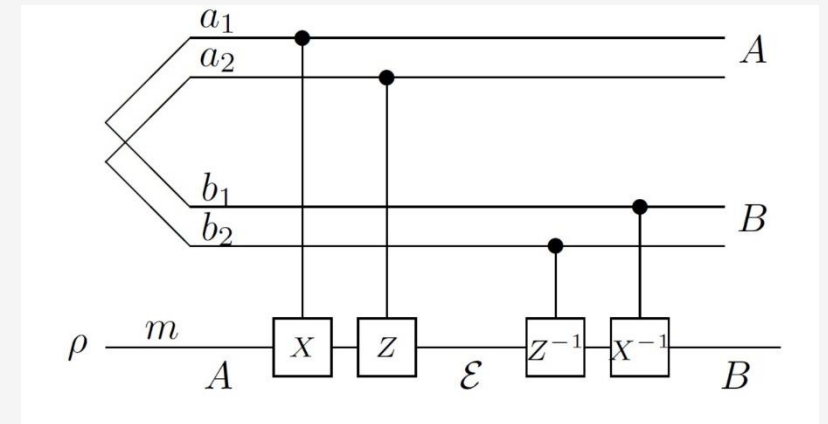
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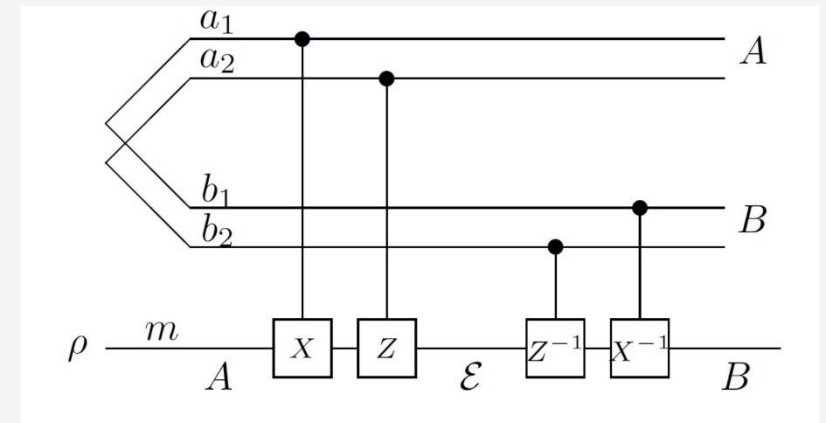
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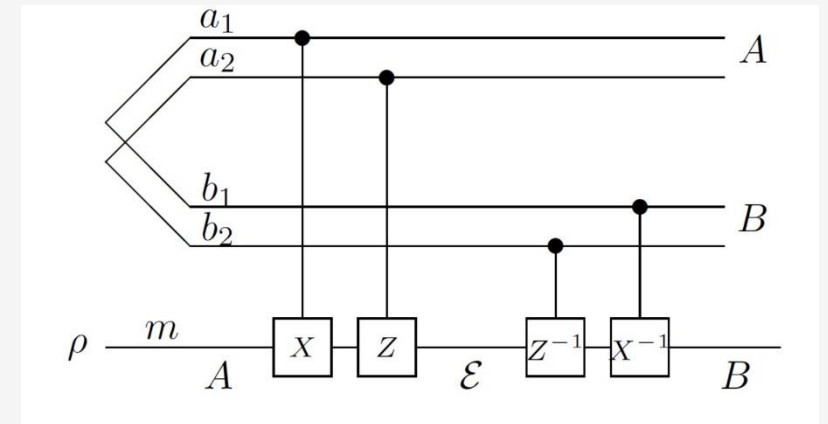
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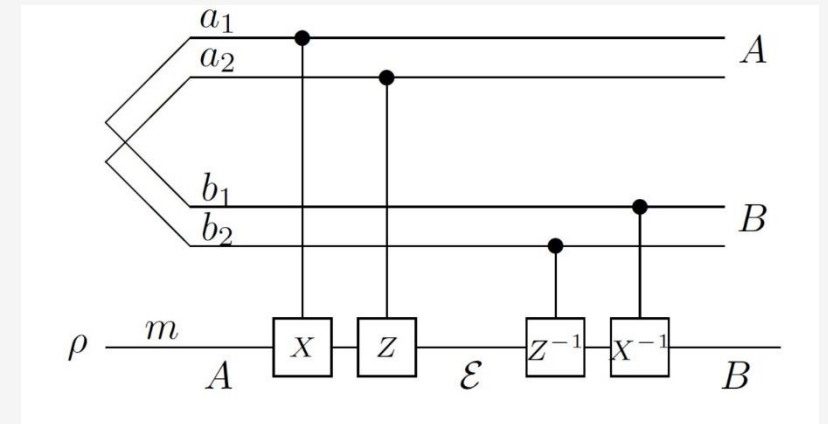
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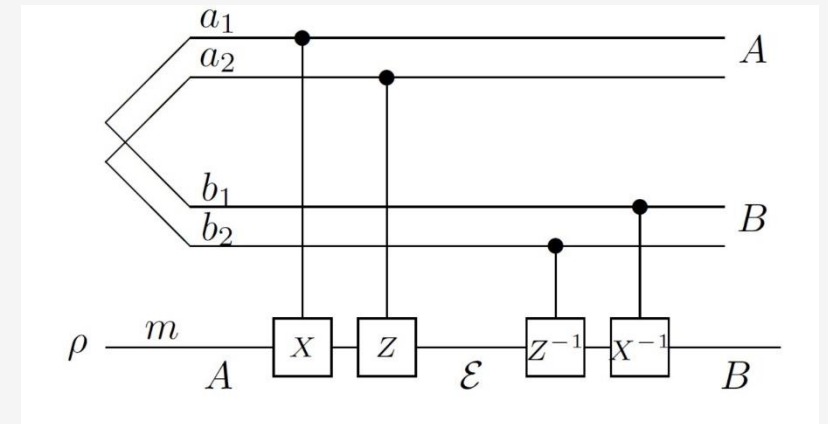


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Noiseless protocol of length  $n$ ,  $\frac{n}{r}$  blocks of length  $r$

Number of errors =  $\epsilon \cdot \frac{n}{c} = O(\epsilon n)$

Number of iterations to recover from an error =  $O(1)$

Total # of iterations = # of iteration of forward simulation + # of iterations of recovery =  $\frac{n}{r} + O(\epsilon n)$

Communication in each iteration =  $r + O(1)$  (for checks)

Total communication =  $\left(\frac{n}{r} + O(\epsilon n)\right) (r + O(1)) = n \left(1 + O\left(\epsilon r + \frac{1}{r}\right)\right) = n \left(1 + O(\sqrt{\epsilon})\right)$  for  $r = \Theta\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon}}\right)$



$$R = \frac{n}{n \left(1 + O(\sqrt{\epsilon})\right)} = 1 - O(\sqrt{\epsilon})$$