

# Embezzlement of entanglement

## Approx violation of conservation laws & Entanglement in nonlocal games

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## Plan:

- Quantum mechanics notations
- Locality and correlations
- Schmidt decomposition and entanglement
- Embezzling of entanglement by reordering Schmidt coeffs
- Embezzling of entanglement by superposing different # of entangled states
- Violating conservation law by superposing different # of conserved quantities
- Limitations to embezzlement
- Nonlocal games that cannot be won with finite amount of entanglement

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6. Entangled states	e.g. $\sum_k \alpha_k  k\rangle k\rangle$  - completely correlated measurement outcomes

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Obs 1: Local operations leave the Schmidt coeffs invariant

Obs 2: Conversely, if  $|\psi_1\rangle, |\psi_2\rangle$  have the same set of Schmidt coeffs, then,  $|\psi_1\rangle = U \otimes V |\psi_2\rangle$  for some isometries  $U, V$ .

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## Schmidt coeffs when Alice and Bob hold multiple systems:

If  $|\psi\rangle_{AB} = \sum_k \alpha_k |k\rangle_A |k\rangle_B$

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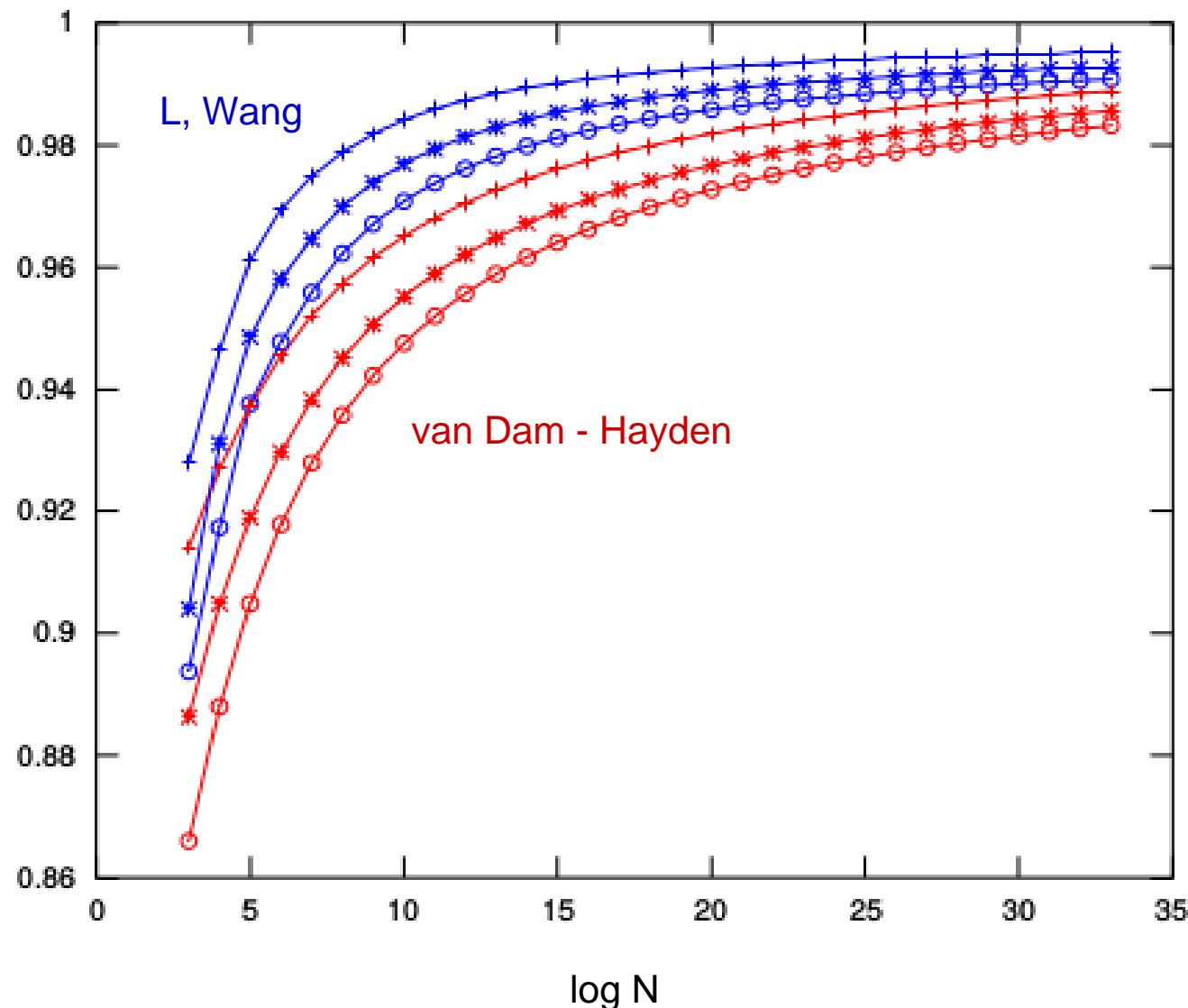
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overlap or fidelity



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- proved the stronger, universal case where the same  $|\psi\rangle$  works for all  $|\phi\rangle$  (exchanging the red & blue quantifiers)
- relies heavily on the Schmidt decompositions for the bipartite setting

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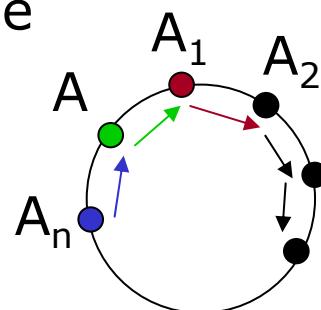
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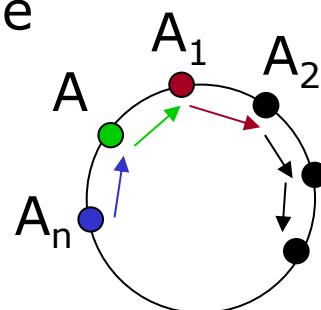
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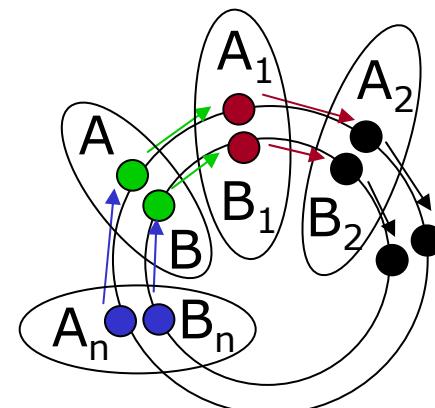
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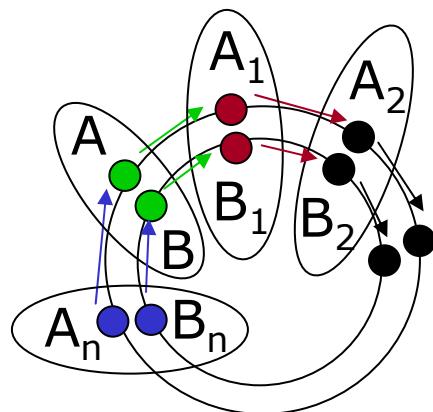
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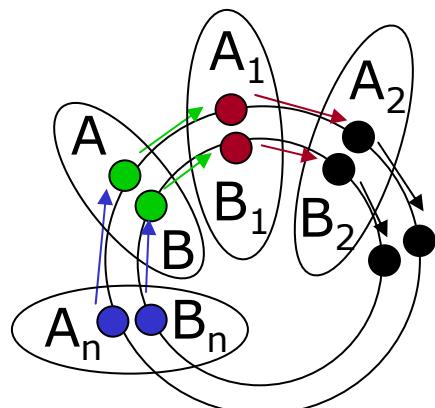


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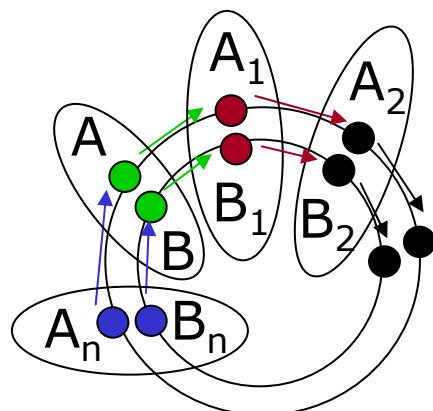


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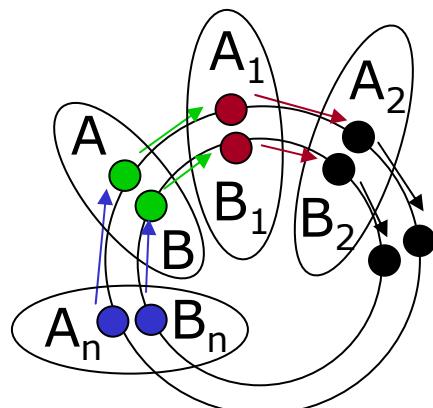


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(Applying method 2 conditioned on the control register being 1,  
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Applications to nonlocal games.

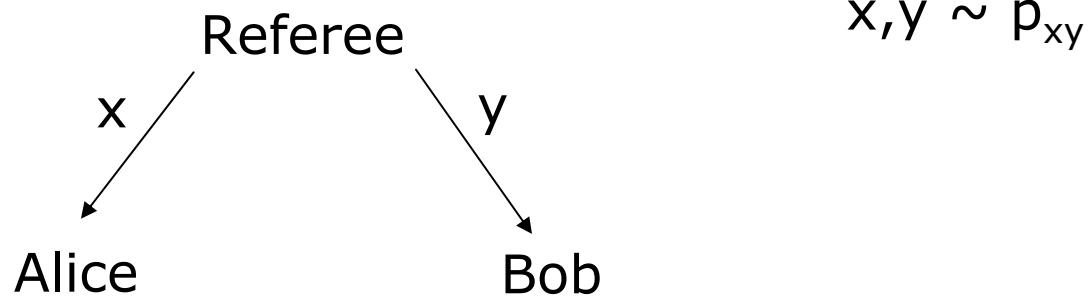
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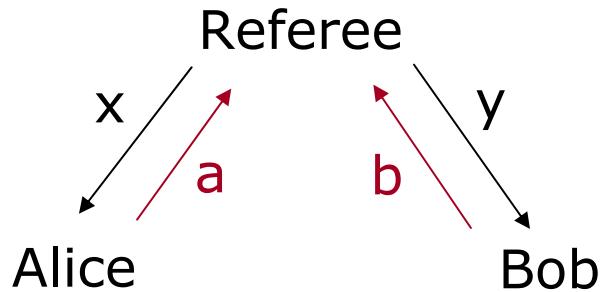
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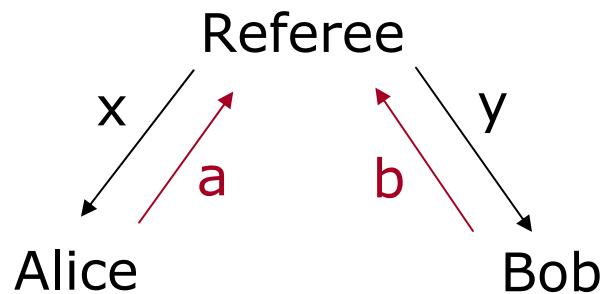
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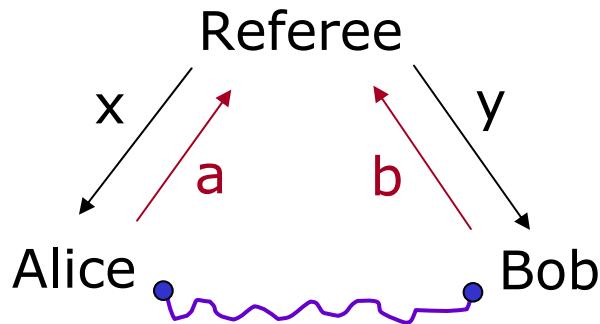
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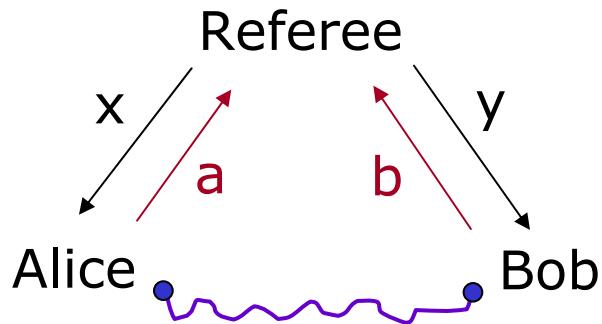
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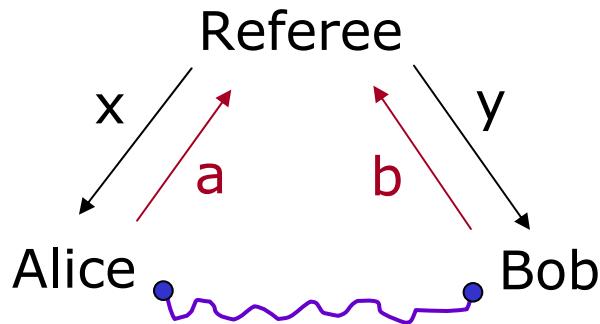
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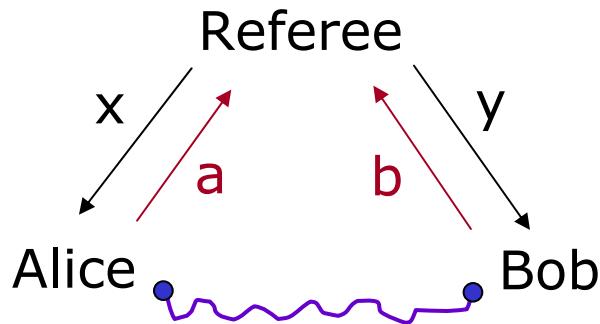
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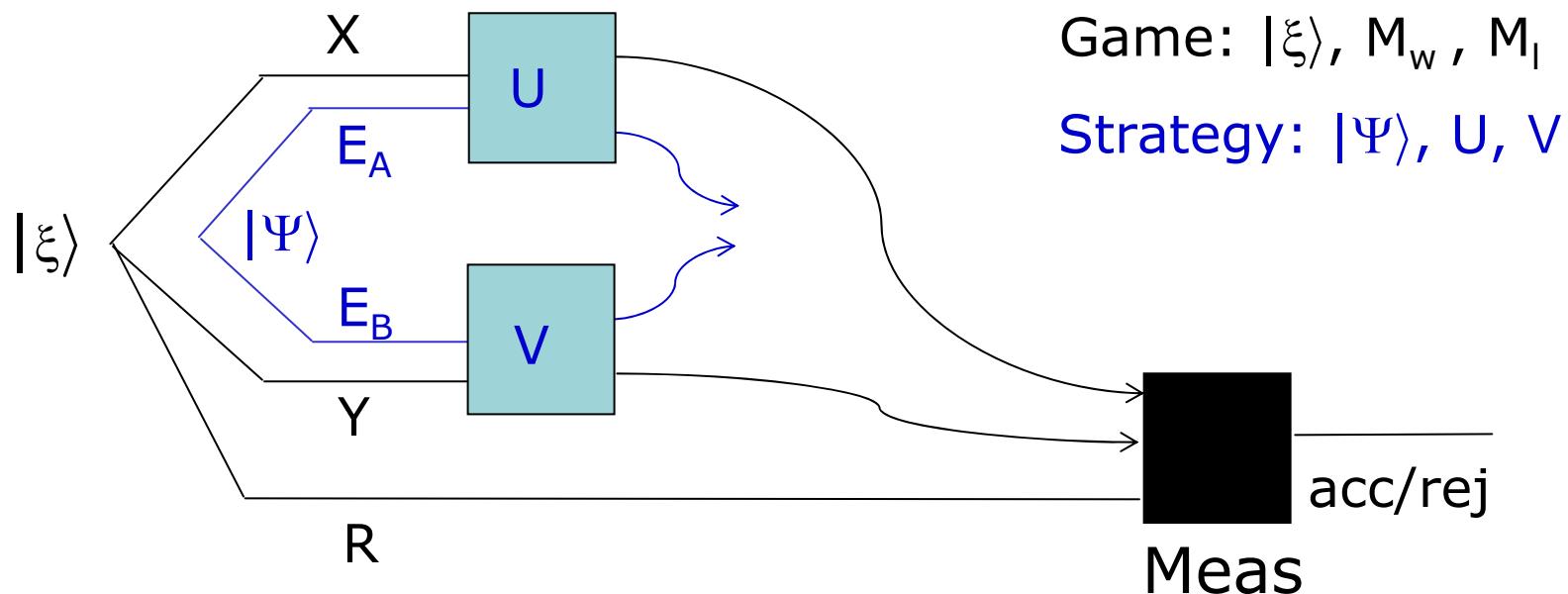
Open if sup attained with finite dim if  $x, y \in \{0, 1, 2\}$ ,  $a, b \in \{0, 1\}$

## Quantum cooperative game:

Referee prepares a quantum state  $|\xi\rangle_{XYR}$ ,  
sends X to Alice and Y to Bob  
receives A from Alice and B from Bob  
measures ABR according to POVM  $\{M_w, M_l\}$

Alice and Bob win if outcome is w.

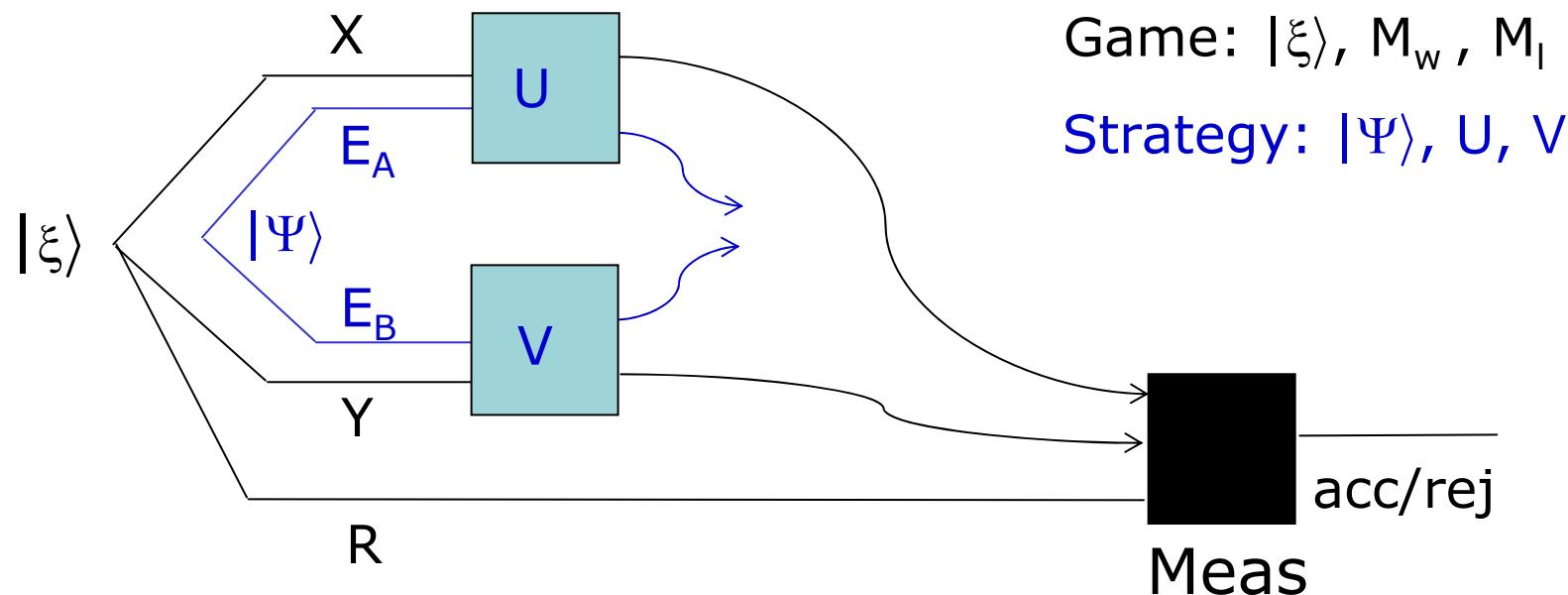
Qn: does sharing entangled state  $|\Psi\rangle$  increases the winning prob?  
how much and what entangled state are needed?



## Game that cannot be won with finite entanglement:

$$|\xi\rangle_{XYR} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle|00\rangle + |1\rangle|\Phi\rangle)_{RXY} \text{ where } |\Phi\rangle := (|11\rangle + |22\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$$

Let  $|\gamma\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|000\rangle + |111\rangle)_{RAB}$ , POVM:  $M_w = |\gamma\rangle\langle\gamma|$ ,  $M_l = I - M_{acc}$

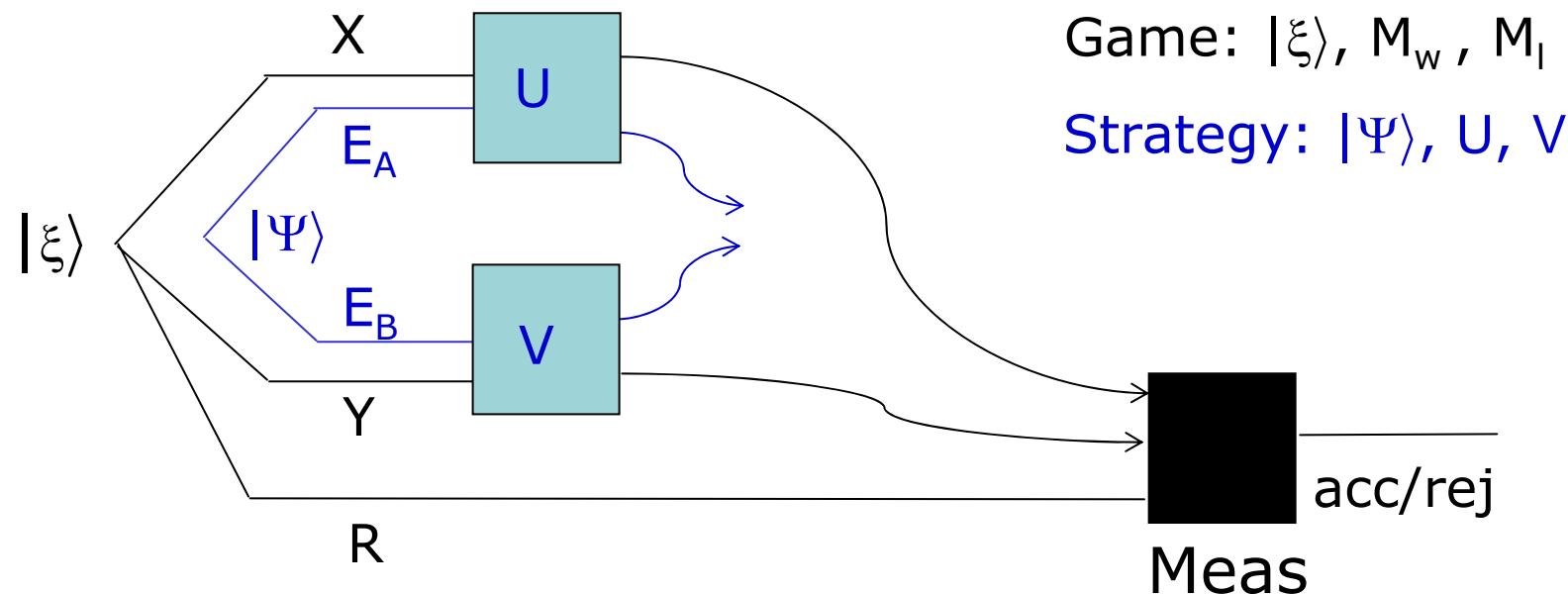


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Then, with coherent state exchange, prob(win) increases with  $\dim(E_{A,B})$  but never reaches 1.



## Open problem 1

Now that we know there is no bound on the entanglement needed in the optimal prover strategy in general for quantum multi-prover interactive proof system ....

if we allow a small deviation from optimal, is there a bound on the amount of entanglement?

Simpler question: for cooperative games with fixed small (constant) system dimensions and  $\epsilon$ , is there a universal (indep of game) upper bound on amt of entanglement that is sufficient to achieve accepting probability  $\epsilon$ -close to optimal?

## Open problem 2

The coherent state exchange protocol for 3 or more parties can be made universal (just like embezzlement of entanglement) but it is very inefficient. Is there a more efficient universal protocol?