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- ▶ and soundness: if the statement is false, the provers will only have a small probability of convincing the verifier

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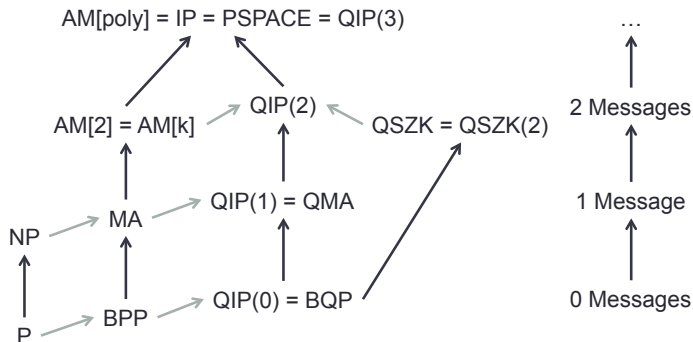
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Note: black arrows are inclusions; grey arrows are generalizations.

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- ▶ Soundness: If the answer is “NO,” then for all protocols, V accepts with probability at most $1/3$.

where by a “protocol” we mean a sequence of messages between the verifier and multiple unentangled provers.

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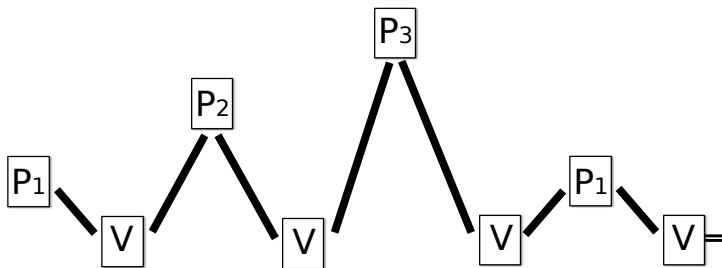
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The completeness and soundness bounds $2/3$ and $1/3$ seem arbitrary, but by running the protocol polynomial times, the error can be reduced exponentially. The completeness and soundness bounds can even be functions of the input size, as long as they are separated by at least an inverse polynomial in the input size [MW05].



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Output: Decide which one is the case.

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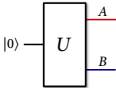
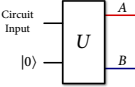
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Taken from [MGHW13]:

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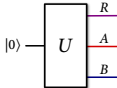
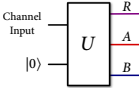
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QSEP-CHANNEL _{1,1-LOCC}	Is there an input to the channel such that the output is close to a separable state in trace distance or does every input lead to an output that is far from separable in 1-LOCC distance?	QIP-complete	

Figure 1: The collected results of entanglement detection problems and their complexity. The left-most column gives the name of the promise problem. Problem names subscripted with “1, 1-LOCC” indicate that the distance measure for yes-instances is the trace distance while the distance measure for no-instances is the one-way LOCC distance. The second column gives a question to which the problem corresponds. The third column states our complexity-theoretic characterization of the problem. The final column depicts a quantum circuit corresponding to the promise problems.

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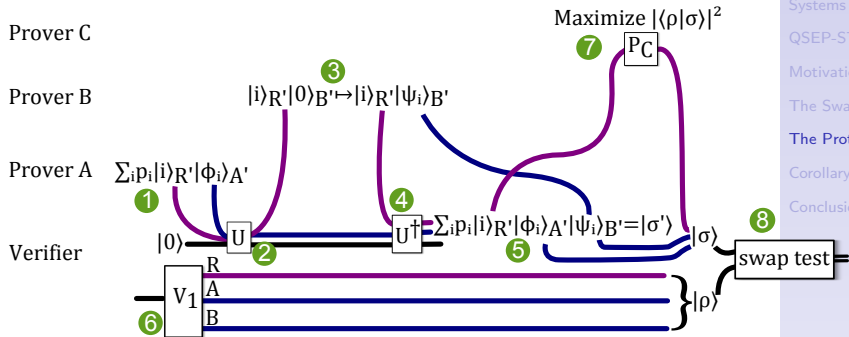
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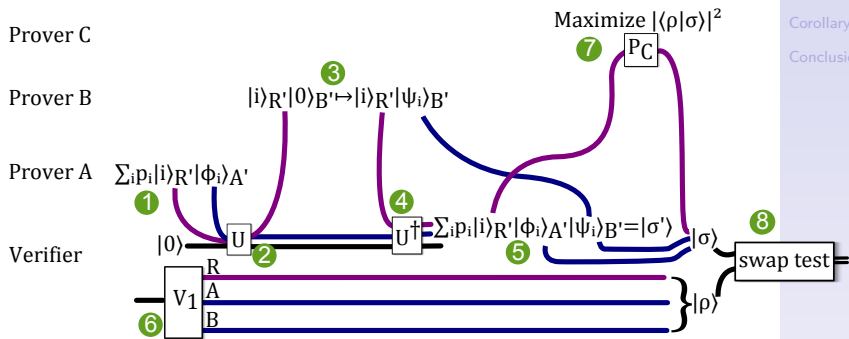


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1. Prover A constructs half of a separable state:

$$\sum_i p_i |i\rangle_{R'} |\varphi_i\rangle_{A'}$$

and sends it to the verifier.



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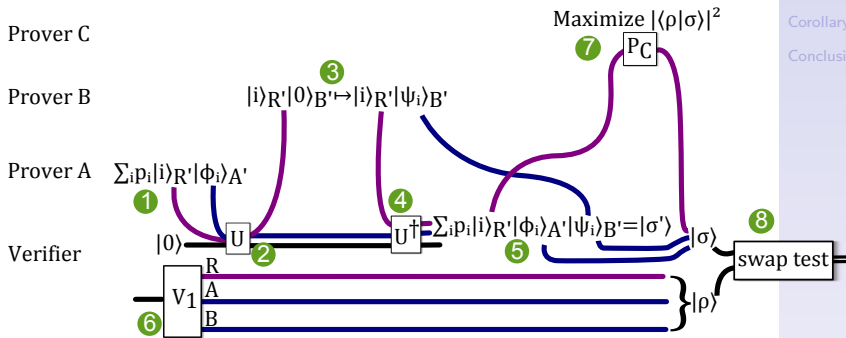
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2. The verifier dephases by performing the operation $U : |0\rangle_V |i\rangle_{R'} \mapsto |i\rangle_V |i\rangle_{R'}$ (where V indicates the verifier's private qubits) and sends the R' system to Prover B



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3. Prover B performs the operation

$|i\rangle_{R'}|0\rangle_{B'} \mapsto |i\rangle_{R'}|\psi_i\rangle_{B'}$ and sends R' and B' to the verifier

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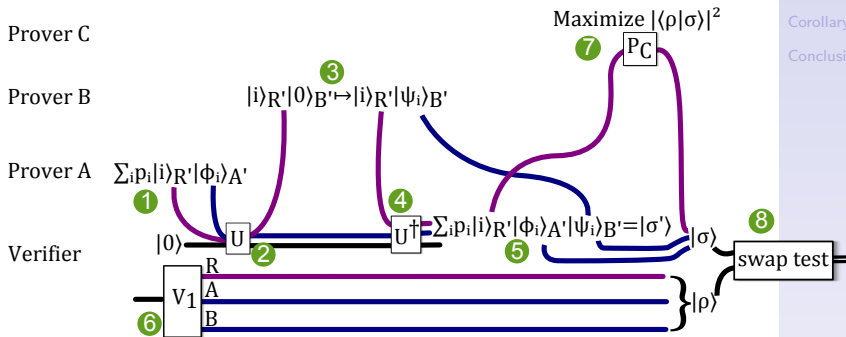
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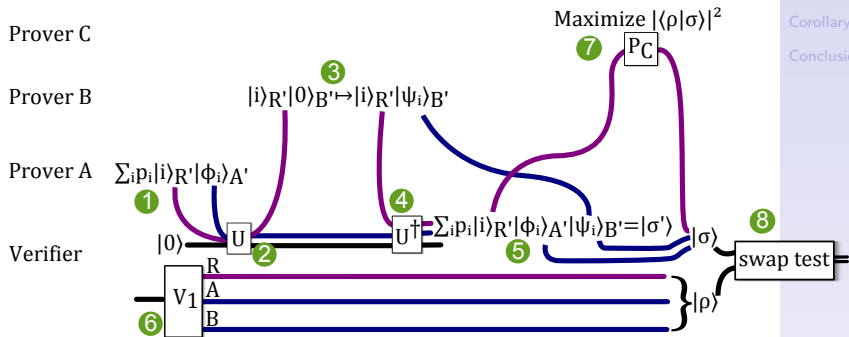
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- The verifier performs $U^\dagger$ on his private qubits and the R' system to add the phases back



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5. The verifier now has the state

$$|\sigma'\rangle = \sum_i \sqrt{p_i} |i\rangle_{R'} |\varphi_i\rangle_{A'} |\psi_i\rangle_{B'}$$

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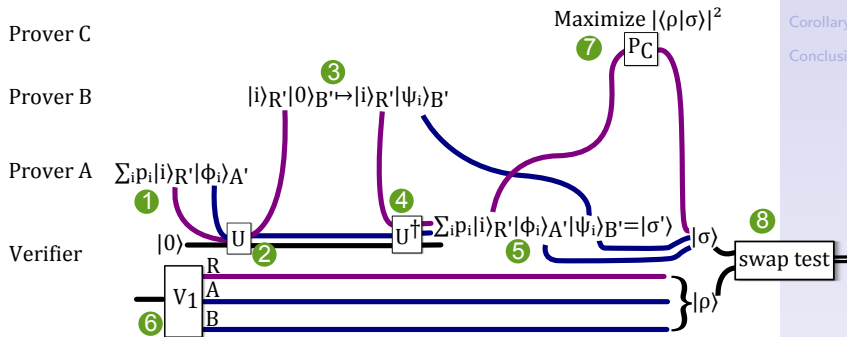
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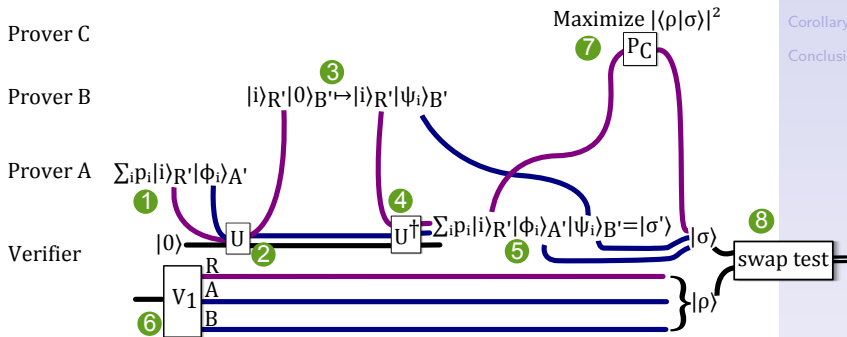
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6. The verifier uses the input circuit to construct a purification of ρ , $|\rho\rangle$.



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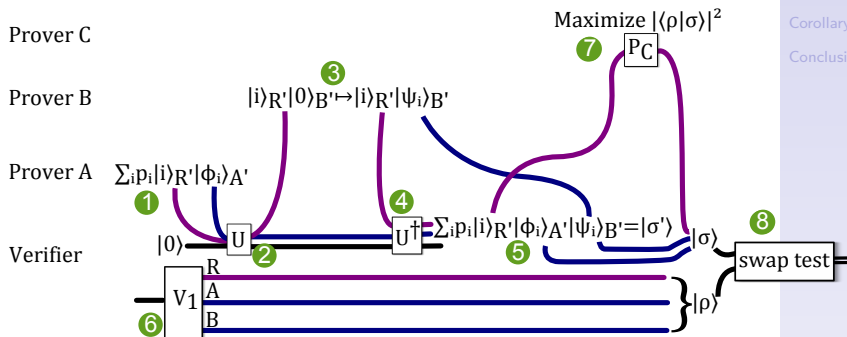
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7. The verifier sends the reference system of $|\sigma'\rangle$ to Prover C, who applies a unitary P_C . The system of R', A', B' after the unitary is applied is $|\sigma\rangle$. Prover C chooses P_C in order to maximize $|\langle\rho|\sigma\rangle|^2$ (which maximizes the probability of the swap test passing).



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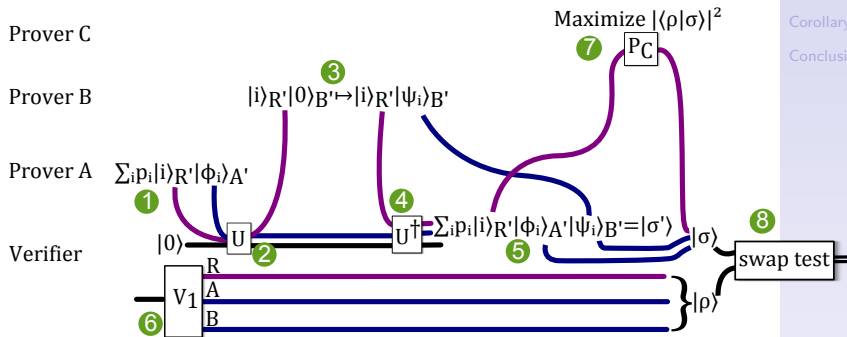
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8. Prover C returns the reference system to the verifier, who performs the swap test with $|\rho\rangle$ and $|\sigma\rangle$. The verifier accepts if and only if the swap test does.



Why this protocol works

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We need to show that we achieve an inverse polynomial gap between the completeness and soundness bounds.

We know the probability of the swap test passing is

$$\frac{1}{2}(1 + |\langle \rho | \sigma \rangle|^2)$$

because Prover C maximized this inner product squared, by Uhlmann's theorem, $|\langle \rho | \sigma \rangle|^2 = F(\rho, \sigma)$, the fidelity between the states. We can then use Fuchs and van de Graaf inequalities to relate the fidelity to the trace distance, and use the promise of our problem to show the difference between the probability of accepting and rejecting is at least $\frac{1}{8}\delta_s^2 - \frac{1}{2}\delta_c$.

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- ▶ The channel version can also be shown to be in QMIP_{ne} by simply having another prover send the ideal input state to the verifier and then running the protocol featured here.

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- ▶ Further work could include a lower bound for the problem, or possibly a tighter upper bound

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