



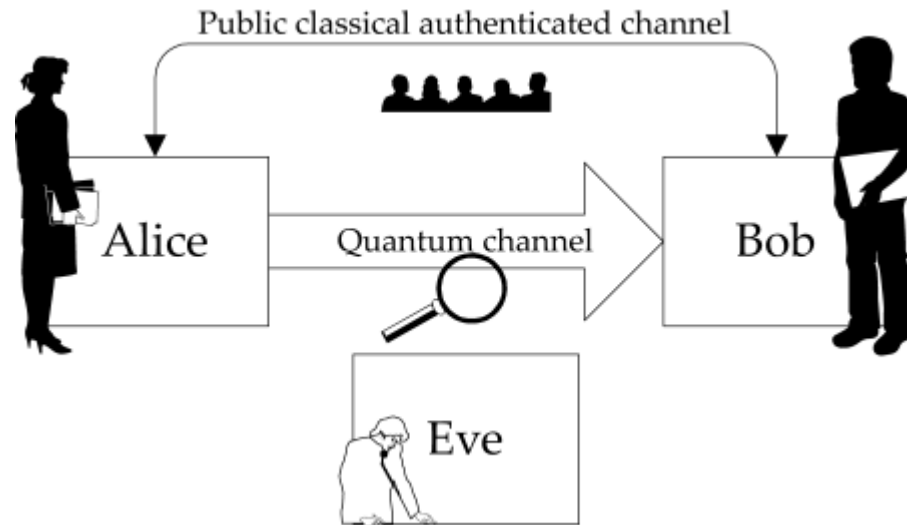
QUANTUM PUFFERFISH PRIVACY: A FLEXIBLE PRIVACY FRAMEWORK FOR QUANTUM SYSTEMS

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PROTECTION FOR QUANTUM DATA



- Quantum cryptography is well studied
- What happens if we want Bob to know only certain aspects of Alice's data?
- This is captured by “**statistical privacy frameworks**”

STATISTICAL PRIVACY FRAMEWORKS (CLASSICAL)

- **Differential privacy:**
 - Answering aggregate queries about a database while keeping individual records private
- Its limitations:
 - Accounts for one type of private information only—records of individual users
 - Does not allow encoding domain knowledge into the framework
- **Pufferfish Privacy:**
 - Customizing which information is regarded as private
 - Explicitly integrates distributional assumptions

MATHEMATICAL OBJECTS

- Quantum state: PSD operator with unit trace
- Quantum channel: Completely positive trace preserving map
- Quantum measurement:
 - Measurement operator: $0 \leq M \leq I$
 - Positive operator valued measure (POVM): collection of PSD operators $\{M_y\}_{y \in \mathcal{Y}}$ such that $\sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} M_y = I$
- Born rule: Probability of observing outcome $y = \text{Tr}[M_y \rho]$

QUANTUM DIFFERENTIAL PRIVACY (QDP)

$\rho \sim \sigma$ Neighboring relation: e.g., closeness in trace distance

QDP – [ZY'17], [HRF'22]

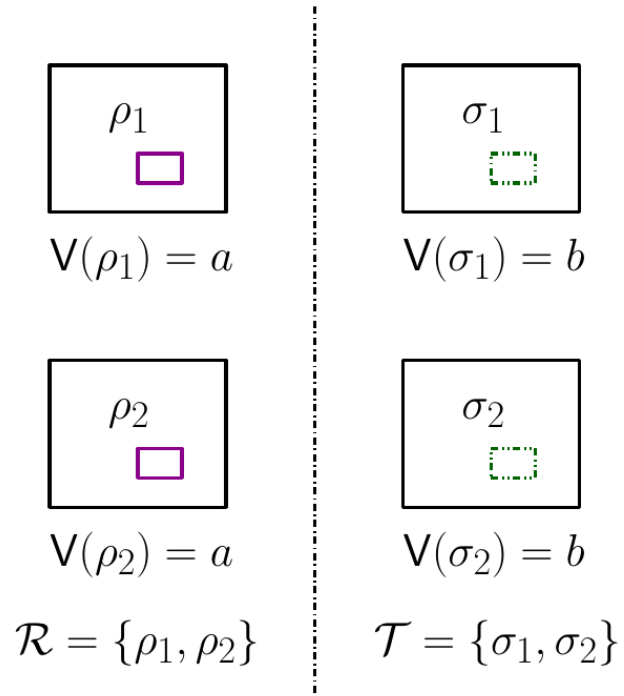
\mathcal{A} is (ϵ, δ) -QDP if

$$\text{Tr} [M \mathcal{A}(\rho)] \leq e^\epsilon \text{Tr} [M \mathcal{A}(\sigma)] + \delta$$

for every measurement operator M and all $\rho \sim \sigma$.

QDP guarantees that all pairs of states that are classified as neighbors are approximately indistinguishable, i.e., cannot be identified under all possible measurements.

Beyond QDP: Need for More



Flexible Secrets: Secrets containing collection of states

Domain Knowledge: Likelihood of observing different states

Relaxing Worst-case Measurements: Physical limitations of LOCC vs joint measurements

Goal: A Flexible Privacy Framework for Quantum Systems

QUANTUM PUFFERFISH PRIVACY FRAMEWORK



Ingredients:

- \mathcal{S} Set of potential secrets $\mathcal{S} = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \mathcal{T}_i$ $\mathcal{T}_i = \{\rho \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{H}) : V(\rho) = a_i\}$
Values the secret function can take
- \mathcal{Q} Set of discriminative pairs Which pairs of secrets to be indistinguishable
 Symmetric: $(\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{T}) \in \mathcal{Q}$ iff $(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{R}) \in \mathcal{Q}$
Hiding different values
 $\mathcal{Q} = \bigcup_{i \neq j} \{(\mathcal{T}_i, \mathcal{T}_j)\}$
- Θ Set of data distributions $X \sim P_X \in \Theta$ ρ^X models a density operator that is randomly chosen according to P_X
- \mathcal{M} Set of possible measurements Subset of measurements possible under physical, legal, or ethical constraints

QPP DEFINITION

\mathcal{A} is (ε, δ) - QPP in the framework $(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{Q}, \Theta, \mathcal{M})$ if for all $P_X \in \Theta$, $(\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{T}) \in \mathcal{Q}$ with $P_X(\mathcal{R}), P_X(\mathcal{T}) > 0$, and all $M \in \mathcal{M}$,

$$\text{Tr}[M\mathcal{A}(\rho^{\mathcal{R}})] \leq e^{\varepsilon} \text{Tr}[M\mathcal{A}(\rho^{\mathcal{T}})] + \delta$$

Conditional average states

$$\begin{aligned}\rho^{\mathcal{R}} &:= \sum_{\{x: \rho^x \in \mathcal{R}\}} q_{\mathcal{R}}(x) \rho^x \\ q_{\mathcal{R}}(x) &:= \frac{P_X(x)}{P_X(\mathcal{R})} \\ P_X(\mathcal{R}) &:= \sum_{\{x: \rho^x \in \mathcal{R}\}} P_X(x)\end{aligned}$$

Semantic meaning:

For a state ρ^X chosen according to $X \sim P_X \in \Theta$ and input to the quantum channel \mathcal{A} , an adversary applying measurement $M \in \mathcal{M}$ on the channel output $\mathcal{A}(\rho^X)$ draws the same conclusions regardless of whether ρ^X belongs to \mathcal{R} or \mathcal{T}

OTHER PRIVACY FRAMEWORKS WHICH ARE SPECIAL CASES

By choosing specific ingredients to QPP

- Quantum differential privacy
- Classical pufferfish privacy
- Utility optimized privacy models

DATTA-LEDITZKY (DL) DIVERGENCE

$$\overline{D}^\delta(\rho\|\sigma) = \ln \inf \{ \lambda \geq 0 : \text{Tr}[(\rho - \lambda\sigma)_+] \leq \delta \}$$

Positive eigenspace

$$(A)_+ := \sum_{i:a_i \geq 0} a_i |i\rangle\langle i|$$

Equivalent formulation of QPP (for all possible measurements)

$$\sup_{\Theta, (\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{T}) \in \mathcal{Q}} \overline{D}^\delta(\mathcal{A}(\rho^{\mathcal{R}}) \| \mathcal{A}(\rho^{\mathcal{T}})) \leq \varepsilon$$

Operational Interpretation:

$$\text{Tr}[M\mathcal{A}(\rho^{\mathcal{R}})] \leq e^\varepsilon \text{Tr}[M\mathcal{A}(\rho^{\mathcal{T}})] + \delta$$

minimal ε that can be achieved for fixed δ via the **indistinguishability condition** of the QPP framework

DL DIVERGENCE

As a Semi-Definite Program:

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{D}^\delta(\rho\|\sigma) &= \ln \inf_{\lambda, Z \geq 0} \{ \lambda : \text{Tr}[Z] \leq \delta, Z \geq \rho - \lambda\sigma \} \\ &= \ln \sup_{\mu, W \geq 0} \{ \text{Tr}[W\rho] - \mu\delta : \text{Tr}[W\sigma] \leq 1, W \leq \mu I \}\end{aligned}$$

Properties:

Data processing: For every positive trace preserving map $\overline{D}^\delta(\rho\|\sigma) \geq \overline{D}^\delta(\mathcal{N}(\rho)\|\mathcal{N}(\sigma))$

Joint-quasi convexity: $\overline{D}^\delta\left(\sum_{i=1}^k p_i \rho_i \left\| \sum_{i=1}^k p_i \sigma_i\right.\right) \leq \max_i \overline{D}^\delta(\rho_i\|\sigma_i)$

Quasi subadditivity:

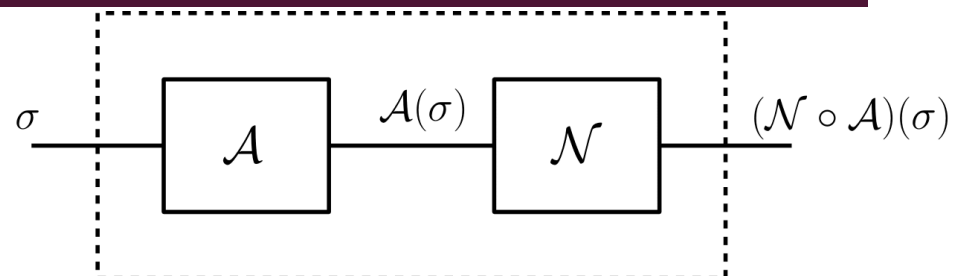
$$\overline{D}^{\delta'_1 + \delta'_2}(\rho_1 \otimes \rho_2 \| \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_2) \leq \overline{D}^{\delta_1}(\rho_1 \| \sigma_1) + \overline{D}^{\delta_2}(\rho_2 \| \sigma_2) - \ln((1 - \delta_1)(1 - \delta_2))$$

with $\delta'_i := \sqrt{\delta_i(2 - \delta_i)} \in (0, 1)$

PROPERTIES OF QPP

■ Post-processing:

- Passing the output of a QPP mechanism through a channel still preserves QPP

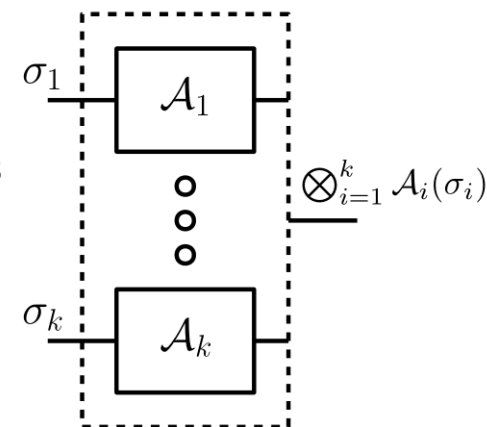
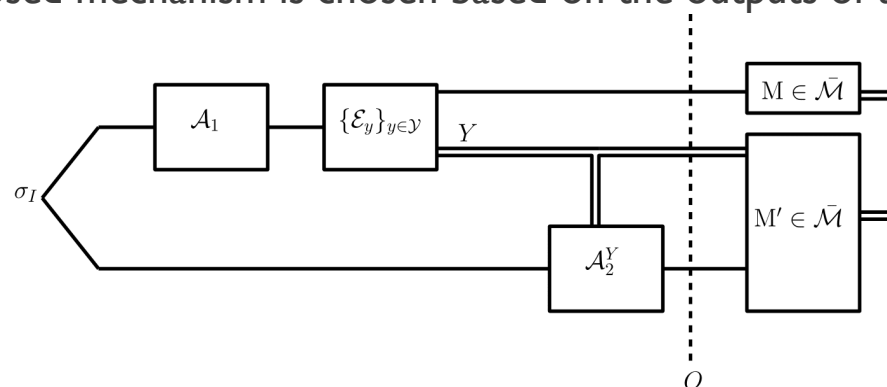


■ Convexity:

- Applying a QPP mechanism that is randomly chosen from a given set of such mechanisms still satisfies QPP

■ Composability:

- **Parallel**- QPP holds after applying composed mechanism to the input $\rho^{X_1} \otimes \rho^{X_2} \otimes \dots \otimes \rho^{X_k}$
- **Adaptive**- Each subsequently composed mechanism is chosen based on the outputs of the preceding ones
- **Correlated input states**



For all possible measurements: proof follows from properties of DL divergence

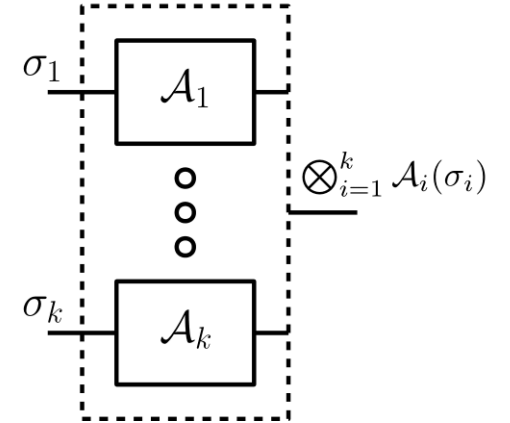
Parallel Composability: (K=2)

With product measurements (**semi-classical**) $(\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2, \delta_1 + \delta_2)$ - QPP

With all measurements including **joint measurements** (ε', δ') - QPP

$$\varepsilon' := \varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2 + \ln \left(\frac{1}{(1 - \delta_1)(1 - \delta_2)} \right)$$

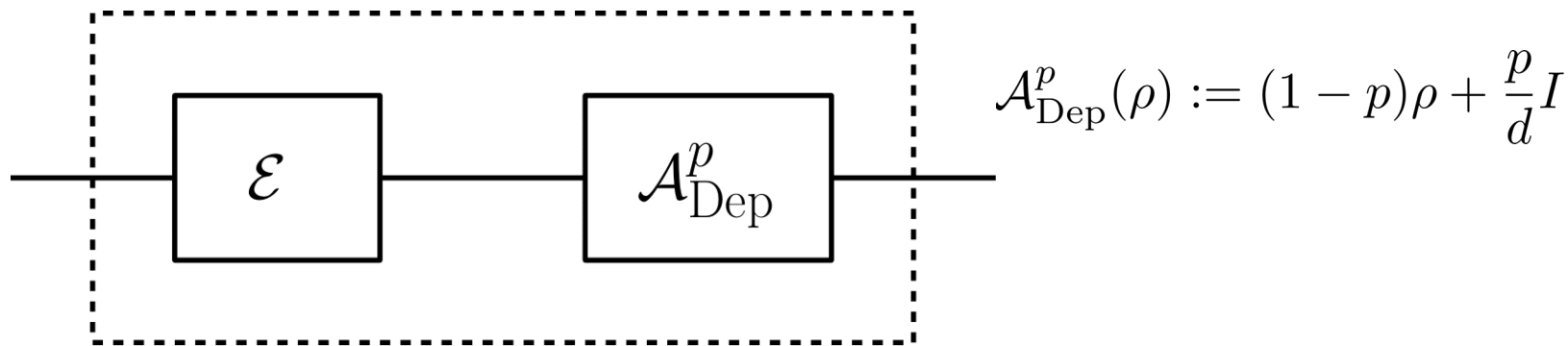
$$\delta' := \sqrt{\delta_1(2 - \delta_1)} + \sqrt{\delta_2(2 - \delta_2)}$$



★ Distinction between classical and quantum cases: joint measurements can infer more information and thus privacy degrades

MECHANISMS

Depolarization mechanism



$\mathcal{A}_{\text{Dep}}^p(\mathcal{E}(\cdot))$ is ε -QPP if

$$p \geq \frac{dK}{dK + e^\varepsilon - 1}$$

$$K := \sup_{M \in \mathcal{M}} \frac{\|M\|_\infty}{\text{Tr}[M]} \times \sup_{\Theta, (\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{T}) \in \mathcal{Q}} \frac{\|\mathcal{E}(\rho^\mathcal{R}) - \mathcal{E}(\rho^\mathcal{T})\|_1}{2}$$

AUDITING PRIVACY

- Aims to detect violations in privacy guarantees and reject incorrect algorithms
- In classical settings: translate the privacy requirement to a weaker privacy notion that is efficiently computable
 - Not satisfying relaxed notion implies that original requirement is violated
- The pitfall of this approach is the impossibility of quantifying the gap between the original and relaxed privacy notions

Goal: Auditing without translating to a relaxed privacy notion

AUDITING QPP

- **Using SDPs for DL divergence and equivalent form:** Runtime polynomial in dimension, but exponential in number of qubits
- **Trace distance estimation techniques** and equivalent formulation via hockey-stick divergence:
 - Equivalent form for QDP: $\sup_{\rho \sim \sigma} E_{e^\varepsilon}(\mathcal{A}(\rho) \parallel \mathcal{A}(\sigma)) \leq \delta$ $E_\gamma(\rho \parallel \sigma) := \text{Tr}[(\rho - \gamma\sigma)_+]$
 - Hockey stick divergence $E_\gamma(\rho \parallel \sigma) = \frac{1}{2} \|\rho - \gamma\sigma\|_1 + \frac{(1 - \gamma)}{2}$
 - Use of quantum algorithms to estimate trace distance
- **Hypothesis testing based auditing pipeline:** Formal Guarantees on Type-I error

SUMMARY

Contributions:

- Proposed notion of QPP provides a flexible privacy framework for quantum systems
- An operational interpretation of DL divergence
 - Study properties of QPP mechanisms
 - Characterize privacy-utility tradeoffs
- Mechanisms via depolarization channel
- Methodology to audit quantum privacy
- Variants of QPP
- Connections to information-theoretic tools and quantum fairness



Thank you!