

## Genuine Multipartite Nonlocality Is Intrinsic to Quantum Networks

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Quantum entanglement and nonlocality are inextricably linked. However, while entanglement is necessary for nonlocality, it is not always sufficient in the standard Bell scenario. We derive sufficient conditions for entanglement to give rise to genuine multipartite nonlocality in networks. We find that any network where the parties are connected by bipartite pure entangled states is genuine multipartite nonlocal, independently of the amount of entanglement in the shared states and of the topology of the network. As an application of this result, we also show that all pure genuine multipartite entangled states are genuine multipartite nonlocal in the sense that measurements can be found on finitely many copies of any genuine multipartite entangled state to yield a genuine multipartite nonlocal behavior. Our results pave the way toward feasible manners of generating genuine multipartite nonlocality using any connected network.

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Correlations between quantum particles may be much stronger than those between classical particles. Their applications are manifold: cryptography [1,2], randomness extraction, amplification and certification [3], communication complexity reduction [4], etc., and the study of these *nonlocal* correlations has led to the growing field of device-independent quantum information processing [5–7] (see also Ref. [8]).

While bipartite nonlocality has been well researched in the past three decades, much less is known about the multipartite case. Still, correlations in quantum multi-component systems have gained increasing attention recently, with applications in multiparty cryptography [9], the understanding of condensed matter physics [10,11], and the development of quantum networks [12–18], particularly for quantum computation [19–21] and correlating particles which never interacted [22,23].

A necessary condition for nonlocality is quantum entanglement. Indeed, this is one reason why entangled states are useful for communication-related tasks. However, not all entangled states are nonlocal: some bipartite entangled states only yield local distributions [24,25]. Still, for pure bipartite states, entanglement is sufficient for nonlocality, which is the content of Gisin’s theorem [26,27], and multipartite entangled pure states are never fully local [28,29]. Interestingly, distributing certain bipartite entangled states in certain multipartite networks yields nonlocality even if the involved states are individually local [12,14,30–33].

Multipartite nonlocality is in principle harder to generate than bipartite nonlocality. By exploring the relationship between entanglement and nonlocality in the multipartite regime, in this Letter we show that networks simplify the

job considerably: distributing arbitrarily low node-to-node entanglement is sufficient to observe truly multipartite nonlocal effects involving all parties in the network independently of its geometry. Added to its practical consequences for applications, this fact points to a deep property of quantum networks.

The multipartite setting has a richer structure than the bipartite one, as different forms of entanglement and nonlocality can be identified. Full separability (full locality) refers to systems that do not display any form of entanglement (locality) whatsoever. However, falsifying these models need not imply truly multipartite quantum correlations since spreading them among two parties is sufficient. Hence, a *genuine multipartite* notion which inextricably relates all parties together is more often considered. Here, a state is genuine multipartite entangled (GME) if it is not a tensor product of states of two subsets of parties,  $M$  and its complement  $\bar{M}$ , i.e., of the form  $|\psi\rangle = |\psi_M\rangle \otimes |\psi_{\bar{M}}\rangle$ , or a convex combination of such states  $|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$  across all bipartitions. Analogously, a probability distribution  $\{P(\alpha_1\alpha_2\dots\alpha_n|\chi_1\chi_2\dots\chi_n)\}_{\alpha_1,\dots,\alpha_n,\chi_1,\dots,\chi_n}$  (with input  $\chi_i$  and output  $\alpha_i$  for party  $i$ ) which is not of the form

$$\begin{aligned} &P(\alpha_1\alpha_2\dots\alpha_n|\chi_1\chi_2\dots\chi_n) \\ &= \sum_{M \subseteq [n]} \sum_{\lambda} q_M(\lambda) P_M(\{\alpha_i\}_{i \in M} | \{\chi_i\}_{i \in M}) \\ &\quad \times P_{\bar{M}}(\{\alpha_i\}_{i \in \bar{M}} | \{\chi_i\}_{i \in \bar{M}}), \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where  $q_M(\lambda) \geq 0 \forall \lambda, M$ ,  $\sum_{\lambda, M} q_M(\lambda) = 1$ , and  $[n] := \{1, \dots, n\}$ , is genuine multipartite nonlocal (GMNL) [34–36], and a state is GMNL if measurements giving rise to a GMNL

distribution exist. The original definition [34] leaves the distributions  $P_M, P_{\bar{M}}$  in Eq. (1) unrestricted; however, this has been shown to lead to operational problems [37–42]. Hence, like most recent works on the topic, we assume these distributions are nonsignaling, which captures most physical situations better [43,44]. This means the marginal distributions for any subset of parties are independent of the inputs outside this subset, which is guaranteed if this holds for the marginals corresponding to ignoring just one party [45]:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\alpha_j} P_M(\{\alpha_i\}_{i \in M, i \neq j}, \alpha_j | \{\chi_i\}_{i \in M, i \neq j}, \chi_j) \\ &= \sum_{\alpha_j} P_M(\{\alpha_i\}_{i \in M, i \neq j}, \alpha_j | \{\chi_i\}_{i \in M, i \neq j}, \chi'_j), \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

for all  $\chi_j \neq \chi'_j$  and all parties  $j$ , and similarly for  $P_{\bar{M}}$ .

In this Letter we show that the nonlocality arising from networks of bipartite pure entangled states is a generic property and manifests in its strongest form, GMNL. Specifically, we obtain that any connected network of bipartite pure entangled states is GMNL. It was already known that a star network of maximally entangled states is GMNL [12], but we provide a full, qualitative generalization of this result by making it independent of both the amount of entanglement shared and the network topology. Thus, we show GMNL is an intrinsic property of networks of pure bipartite entangled states.

Further, there are known mixed GME states that are not GMNL [46,47]—some are even fully local [48]. Still, it is not known whether Gisin’s theorem extends to the genuine multipartite regime. Recent results show that, for pure  $n$ -qubit symmetric states [49] and all pure 3-qubit states [50], GME implies GMNL (at the single-copy level) [51]. Our result above shows that all pure GME states that have a network structure are GMNL; interestingly, we further apply this property to establish a second result: all pure GME states are GMNL in the sense that measurements can be found on finitely many copies of any GME state to yield a GMNL behavior. We thus tighten the relationship between multipartite entanglement and nonlocality.

Our construction exploits the fact that the set of non-GME states is not closed under tensor products; i.e., GME can be superactivated by taking tensor products of states that are unentangled across different bipartitions. Thus, GME can be achieved by distributing bipartite entangled states among different pairs of parties. To obtain our results, we extend the superactivation property [52–54] from the level of states to that of probability distributions; i.e., GMNL can be superactivated by taking Cartesian products of probability distributions that are local across different bipartitions. In fact, when considering copies of quantum states, we only consider local measurements performed on each copy separately, thus pointing at a stronger notion of superactivation to achieve GMNL.

*Definitions and preliminaries.*—We consider distributions arising from GME states, and ask whether they satisfy Eq. (1). The set of distributions of the form (1) is a polytope: indeed, the set of local distributions across each bipartition  $M|\bar{M}$  is a polytope, and convex combinations preserve that structure. We call this  $n$ -partite polytope  $\mathcal{B}_n$ . We call an inequality,

$$\sum_{\substack{\alpha_i \chi_i \\ i \in [n]}} c_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n \chi_1 \dots \chi_n} P(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n | \chi_1 \dots \chi_n) \leq c_0, \quad (3)$$

which holds for all  $P$  of the form (1) a GMNL inequality.

We use results from Ref. [55] to lift inequalities to account for more parties, inputs, and outputs. They consider the fully local polytope  $\mathcal{L}$ , which only includes distributions

$$P(\alpha\beta|\chi v) = \sum_{\lambda} q(\lambda) P_A(\alpha|\chi, \lambda) P_B(\beta|v, \lambda), \quad (4)$$

where each party may have different numbers of inputs and outputs (more parties may be considered by adding more distributions correlated only by  $\lambda$ ). Polytope  $\mathcal{B}_n$  includes convex combinations of distributions that are local across different bipartitions  $M|\bar{M}$  of the parties, but the lifting results in Ref. [55] still hold. Indeed, to check an inequality holds for a polytope, it is sufficient by convexity to check the extremal points. As all extremal points in  $\mathcal{B}_n$  are contained in some polytope  $\mathcal{L}$ , lifting results for  $\mathcal{L}$  can be straightforwardly extended to  $\mathcal{B}_n$ .

We also use the Eliztur-Popescu-Rohrlich (EPR2) decomposition [56] and its multipartite extension [57]: any distribution  $P$  can be expressed (nonuniquely) as

$$\begin{aligned} P(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n | \chi_1 \dots \chi_n) &= \sum_{M \subsetneq [n]} p_L^M P_L^M(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n | \chi_1 \dots \chi_n) \\ &+ p_{\text{NS}} P_{\text{NS}}(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n | \chi_1 \dots \chi_n), \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

where  $\sum_{M \subsetneq [n]} p_L^M + p_{\text{NS}} = 1$ ,  $P_L^M$  is local across  $M|\bar{M}$  [i.e., satisfies Eq. (4) with parties grouped as per  $M|\bar{M}$ ], and  $P_{\text{NS}}$  is nonsignaling.  $P$  is GMNL if all such decompositions have  $p_{\text{NS}} > 0$ , and fully GMNL if all such decompositions have  $p_{\text{NS}} = 1$ . A state  $\rho$  is fully GMNL if,  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ , there exist local measurements giving rise to some  $P$  such that any decomposition (5) has  $p_{\text{NS}} > 1 - \epsilon$ . Bipartite distributions and states may be nonlocal or fully nonlocal [58] analogously.

*GMNL from bipartite entanglement.*—Our first result shows that any connected network of pure bipartite entanglement (see Fig. 1) is GMNL.

**Theorem 1:** Any connected network of bipartite pure entangled states is GMNL.

We now outline the proof for a tripartite network where  $A_1$  is entangled to each of  $A_2$  and  $A_3$ , and leave the general case to Ref. [59]. Since it turns out sufficient to measure

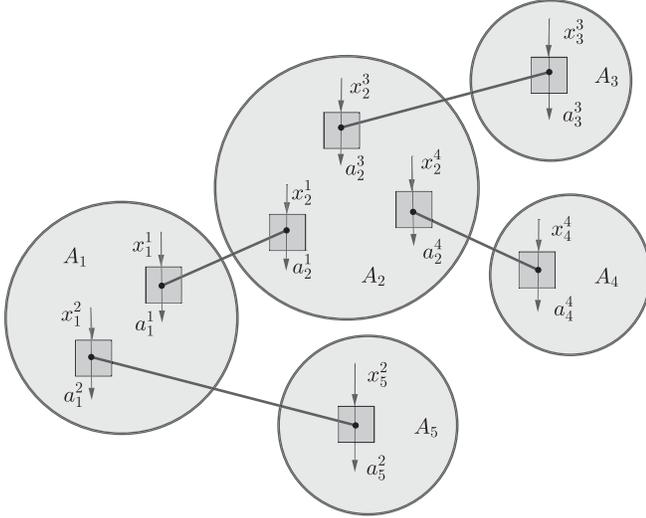


FIG. 1. Connected network of bipartite entanglement. For each  $i \in [n]$ , party  $A_i$  has input  $x_i^k$  and output  $a_i^k$  on the particle at edge  $k$ . Particles connected by an edge are entangled.

individually on each party's different particles (see Fig. 1 for the  $n$ -partite structure), the shared distribution  $P(a_1^1 a_1^2, a_2^1, a_3^2 | x_1^1 x_1^2, x_2^1, x_3^2)$  takes the form

$$P_1(a_1^1 a_2^1 | x_1^1 x_2^1) P_2(a_1^2 a_3^2 | x_1^2 x_3^2), \quad (6)$$

where parties  $A_i, A_j$  are connected by edge  $k$  (we label vertices and edges independently), and  $P_k(a_i^k a_j^k | x_i^k x_j^k)$  is the distribution arising from the state at edge  $k$ .

The proof considers three cases, depending on whether the shared states are maximally entangled. If none are, we devise inequalities to detect bipartite nonlocality at each edge of the network, and combine them to form a multipartite inequality. Then, we find measurements on the shared states to violate it. If both states are maximally entangled, existing results show the network is fully GMNL [12,57]. Combining these two cases for a heterogeneous network completes the proof.

To prove the first case, we take bipartite inequalities between  $A_1$  and each other party, lift them to three parties, and combine them using Refs. [55,60], to obtain the following GMNL inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} I_3 &= I^1 + I^2 + P(00, 0, 0 | 00, 0, 0) \\ &\quad - \sum_{a_1^2=0,1} P(0a_1^2, 0, 0 | 00, 0, 0) \\ &\quad - \sum_{a_1^1=0,1} P(a_1^1 0, 0, 0 | 00, 0, 0) \leq 0. \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

Here,

$$\begin{aligned} I^1 &= \sum_{a_1^2=0,1} [P(0a_1^2, 0, 0 | 00, 0, 0) - P(0a_1^2, 1, 0 | 00, 1, 0) \\ &\quad - P(1a_1^2, 0, 0 | 10, 0, 0) - P(0a_1^2, 0, 0 | 10, 1, 0)] \leq 0, \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{aligned} I^2 &= \sum_{a_1^1=0,1} [P(a_1^1 0, 0, 0 | 00, 0, 0) - P(a_1^1 0, 0, 1 | 00, 0, 1) \\ &\quad - P(a_1^1 1, 0, 0 | 01, 0, 0) - P(a_1^1 0, 0, 0 | 01, 0, 1)] \leq 0, \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

are liftings of

$$I = P(00|00) - P(01|01) - P(10|10) - P(00|11) \leq 0 \quad (10)$$

to three parties with  $A_1$  having 4 inputs and 4 outputs. Inequality (10) is equivalent to the CHSH inequality [61] for nonsignaling distributions [60]. Thus, inequalities (8) and (9) are satisfied by distributions that are local across  $A_1|A_2$  and  $A_1|A_3$ , respectively. To see that Eq. (7) is a GMNL inequality it is sufficient to check it holds for distributions that are local across some bipartition. This is straightforwardly done by observing the cancellations that occur when  $I^1$  or  $I^2$  are  $\leq 0$ .

Since both states are less-than-maximally entangled,  $A_1$  can satisfy Hardy's paradox [62,63] with each other party, achieving

$$P_k(00|00) > 0 = P_k(01|01) = P_k(10|10) = P_k(00|11) \quad (11)$$

for both  $k$  (the proof for qubits in Refs. [62,63] is extended to qudits by measuring on a two-dimensional subspace; see Ref. [59]). Then, each negative term in  $I^1$  and  $I^2$  is zero, as

$$\sum_{a_1^2=0,1} P(0a_1^2, 1, 0 | 00, 1, 0) = P_1(01|01) \sum_{a_1^1=0,1} P_2(a_1^2 0 | 00), \quad (12)$$

and similarly for the others. Hence, only

$$P(00, 0, 0 | 00, 0, 0) = P_1(00|00) P_2(00|00) > 0 \quad (13)$$

survives, violating the inequality.

If, instead,  $A_1 A_2$  share a maximally entangled state, and  $A_2 A_3$  share a less-than-maximally entangled state, then  $A_1 A_3$  can measure so that  $P_2$  satisfies Hardy's paradox; hence  $\exists \varepsilon > 0$  such that its local component in any EPR2 decomposition satisfies

$$P_{L,2} \leq 1 - \varepsilon. \quad (14)$$

Since the maximally entangled state is fully nonlocal [64], for this  $\varepsilon$ ,  $A_1 A_2$  can measure such that any EPR2 decomposition of  $P_1$  satisfies

$$P_{L,1} < \varepsilon. \quad (15)$$

Then, we assume for a contradiction that  $P(a_1^1 a_1^2, a_2^1, a_3^2 | x_1^1 x_1^2, x_2^1, x_3^2)$  is not GMNL and decompose it in its bipartite splittings,

$$\begin{aligned} & P(a_1^1 a_1^2, a_2^1, a_3^2 | x_1^1 x_1^2, x_2^1, x_3^2) \\ &= \sum_{\lambda} [p_L(\lambda) P_{A_1 A_2}(a_1^1 a_1^2, a_2^1 | x_1^1 x_1^2, x_2^1, \lambda) P_{A_3}(a_3^2 | x_3^2, \lambda) \\ & \quad + q_L(\lambda) P_{A_1 A_3}(a_1^1 a_1^2, a_3^2 | x_1^1 x_1^2, x_3^2, \lambda) P_{A_2}(a_2^1 | x_2^1, \lambda) \\ & \quad + r_L(\lambda) P_{A_1}(a_1^1 a_1^2 | x_1^1 x_1^2, \lambda) P_{A_2 A_3}(a_2^1, a_3^2 | x_2^1, x_3^2, \lambda)], \quad (16) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\sum_{\lambda} [p_L(\lambda) + q_L(\lambda) + r_L(\lambda)] = 1$ .

Summing Eq. (16) over  $a_1^1, a_3^2$  and using Eq. (6), we get an EPR2 decomposition of  $P_1$  with local components  $q_L, r_L$ . By Eq. (15), this entails  $\sum_{\lambda} [q_L(\lambda) + r_L(\lambda)] < \varepsilon$ , so

$$\sum_{\lambda} p_L(\lambda) > 1 - \varepsilon. \quad (17)$$

Summing, instead, Eq. (16) over  $a_1^1, a_2^1$ , we obtain an EPR2 decomposition of  $P_2$  whose only non-negligible component,  $\sum_{\lambda} p_L(\lambda)$ , is local in  $A_1 | A_3$ , contradicting Eq. (14). Therefore,  $P$  must be GMNL.

**GMNL from GME.**—By Theorem 1, a star network whose central node shares pure entanglement with all others is GMNL. We now ask whether all GME states are GMNL (i.e., the genuine multipartite extension of Gisin's theorem). We show  $(n-1)$  copies of any pure GME  $n$ -partite state suffice to generate  $n$ -partite GMNL. We do this by generating a distribution from these copies that mimics the star network configuration.

**Theorem 2:** Any GME state  $|\Psi\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathcal{H}_n \cong (\mathbb{C}^d)^{\otimes n}$  is such that  $|\Psi\rangle^{\otimes (n-1)}$  is GMNL.

The full proof is given in Ref. [59], and we presently outline the tripartite case. Hence, we consider two copies of the state. For each copy, we derive measurements for Bob1 and Bob2 that leave Alice bipartitely entangled with Bob2 and Bob1, respectively. This yields a network as in Eq. (6) but postselected on the inputs and outputs of these measurements. We generalize Theorem 1 to show this network is also GMNL.

For  $i, j = 1, 2$ , on copy  $i$ ,  $B_j$ 's measurements have input  $y_j^i$  and output  $b_j^i$  and Alice's measurement has input  $x_i$  and output  $a_i$ . We denote  $B_j$ 's inputs and outputs in terms of their digits as  $v_j = y_j^1 y_j^2$  and  $\beta_j = b_j^1 b_j^2$ . Then, after measurement, the parties share a distribution:

$$\begin{aligned} & P(\alpha \beta_1 \beta_2 | \chi v_1 v_2) \\ &= P_1(a_1, b_1^1 b_1^2 | x_1, y_1^1 y_1^2) P_2(a_2, b_2^1 b_2^2 | x_2, y_2^1 y_2^2). \quad (18) \end{aligned}$$

For each  $i, j = 1, 2, i \neq j$ , we assume  $B_j$  uses input  $0_j^i$  and output  $0_j^i$  to project the  $i$ th copy of  $|\Psi\rangle$  onto  $|\phi_i\rangle_{AB_i}$ , as shown in Fig. 2 for  $n$  parties. Then, Refs. [28,29] and a

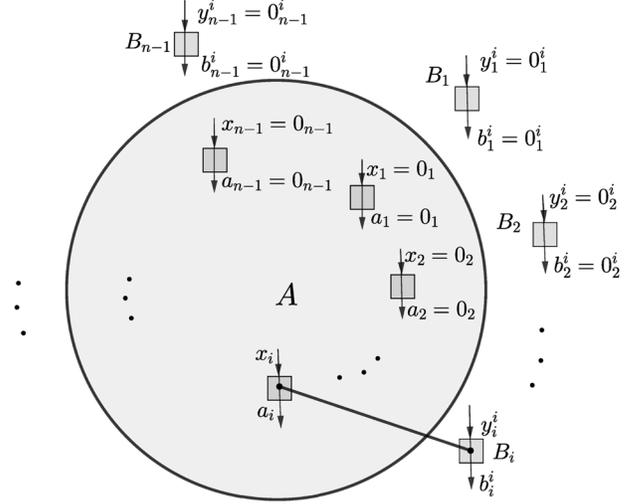


FIG. 2. Element  $i \in [n-1]$  of the star network of bipartite entanglement created from a GME state  $|\Psi\rangle$ . Parties  $\{B_j\}_{j \in [n-1], j \neq i}$  have already measured  $|\Psi\rangle$  and are left unentangled. Alice and party  $B_i$  share a pure bipartite entangled state. Alice has input  $x_i$  and output  $a_i$  while each party  $B_j, j \in [n-1]$ , has input  $y_j^i$  and output  $b_j^i$ .

continuity argument serve to show we only have two possibilities for each  $i$ : either there exists an input and output per party such that  $|\phi_i\rangle_{AB_i}$  is less-than-maximally entangled, or there exists an input per party such that, for all outputs,  $|\phi_i\rangle_{AB_i}$  is maximally entangled. In each case we generalize the proof in Theorem 1 to show  $|\Psi\rangle^{\otimes 2}$  is GMNL.

If both  $|\phi_i\rangle_{AB_i}, i = 1, 2$  are less-than-maximally entangled, we use the following expression, which is a GMNL inequality by the same reasoning as in Theorem 1:

$$\begin{aligned} I_3 &= \sum_{i=1}^2 I^i + P(00, 00, 00 | 00, 00, 00) \\ & \quad - \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{\substack{a_j, b_j^i, \\ b_j^j=0,1, \\ j \neq i}} P(0_i a_j, 0_i^i b_j^i, 0_j^i b_j^j | 0_i 0_j, 0_i^i 0_j^i, 0_j^i 0_j^j) \leq 0, \quad (19) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} I^i &= \sum_{\substack{a_j, b_j^i, b_j^j=0,1, \\ j \neq i}} [P(0_i a_j, 0_i^i b_j^i, 0_j^i b_j^j | 0_i 0_j, 0_i^i 0_j^i, 0_j^i 0_j^j) \\ & \quad - P(0_i a_j, 1_i^i b_j^i, 0_j^i b_j^j | 0_i 0_j, 1_i^i 0_j^i, 0_j^i 0_j^j) \\ & \quad - P(1_i a_j, 0_i^i b_j^i, 0_j^i b_j^j | 1_i 0_j, 0_i^i 0_j^i, 0_j^i 0_j^j) \\ & \quad - P(0_i a_j, 0_i^i b_j^i, 0_j^i b_j^j | 1_i 0_j, 1_i^i 0_j^i, 0_j^i 0_j^j)]. \quad (20) \end{aligned}$$

Evaluating the inequality on the distribution (18), we find again that all negative terms in each  $I^i$  can be sent to zero. For each  $i$  we get, for example,

$$\sum_{\substack{a_j, b_i, b_j \\ =0,1}} P(0_i a_j, 1_i^1 b_i^1, 0_i^1 b_j^1 | 0_i 0_j, 1_i^1 0_i^1, 0_i^1 0_j^1) \\ = P_i(0_i 1_i^1 0_j^1 | 0_i 1_i^1 0_j^1), \quad (21)$$

as the sum over  $P_j$  is 1. But, conditioned on  $B_j$ 's input and output being  $0_j^i$ , parties  $AB_i$  can measure so  $P_i$  satisfies Hardy's paradox, hence this term is zero, and similarly for the other two negative terms. This means all terms in  $I_3$  are zero except  $P(00, 00, 00 | 00, 00, 00) > 0$ , violating the inequality. Therefore,  $|\Psi\rangle^{\otimes 2}$  is GMNL.

If, for both  $i = 1, 2$ , there exists a local measurement for party  $B_j$ ,  $j \neq i$  such that, for *all* outputs,  $|\Psi\rangle$  is projected onto a maximally entangled state  $|\phi_i\rangle_{AB_i}$ , then  $|\Psi\rangle$  satisfies Theorem 2 in Ref. [57], so  $|\Psi\rangle$  itself is GMNL. Therefore so is  $|\Psi\rangle^{\otimes 2}$ .

Finally, if  $|\phi_1\rangle_{AB_1}$  is maximally entangled for all of  $B_2$ 's outputs, and  $|\phi_2\rangle_{AB_2}$  is less-than-maximally entangled, using Refs. [28,57] we deduce that the bipartite EPR2 components of  $P_{1,2}$  across  $A|B_{1,2}$ , respectively, are bounded like in Theorem 1. That is,  $\exists \varepsilon > 0$  such that the local component of any EPR2 decomposition across  $A|B_2$  satisfies

$$p_{L,2}^{A|B_2} \leq 1 - \varepsilon, \quad (22)$$

and, given this  $\varepsilon$ , parties  $AB_1$  can measure locally such that all bipartite EPR2 decompositions across  $A|B_1$  have a local component:

$$p_{L,1}^{A|B_1} < \varepsilon. \quad (23)$$

Then, we assume  $P(\alpha\beta_1\beta_2|\chi v_1 v_2)$  is not GMNL and decompose it in local terms across different bipartitions, like in Eq. (16) in Theorem 1. Summing over  $a_2, b_j^2, j = 1, 2$  gives an EPR2 decomposition of  $P_1$  whose local components can be bounded using Eq. (23). Summing over  $a_1, b_j^1, j = 1, 2$  instead gives an EPR2 decomposition of  $P_2$ . But the bound on the local component of  $P_1$  entails a bound on that of  $P_2$  which contradicts Eq. (22), proving  $P$  is GMNL.

*Conclusions.*—We have shown that GMNL can be obtained by distributing arbitrary pure bipartite entanglement, which paves the way toward feasible generation of GMNL from any network. In fact, our results imply that, given a set of nodes, distributing entanglement in the form of a tree is sufficient to observe GMNL. In practical applications, the entanglement shared by the nodes would unavoidably degrade to mixed-state form. By continuity, the GMNL in the networks of pure bipartite entanglement considered here must be robust to some noise. Quantifying this tolerance is interesting for future work.

Further, we have shown that a tensor product of finitely many GME states is always GMNL. The question whether all single-copy pure GME states are GMNL remains open.

The assumption that the distributions  $P_M, P_{\bar{M}}$  are non-signaling in the GMNL definition is physically natural. Still, removing it raises the stakes to achieve nonlocality, and establishing analogous results with the stronger definition is an open question.

Very recently, Ref. [65] proposed the concept of ‘‘genuine network entanglement,’’ a stricter notion than GME which rules out states which are a tensor product of non-GME states. One might hope that states that are GME but not genuine network entangled might be detected device independently by not passing GMNL tests. However, our results show this will not work. Any distribution of pure bipartite states, even with arbitrarily weak entanglement, always displays GMNL as long as all parties are connected. This further motivates searching for an analogous concept of genuine network nonlocality that may detect genuine network entanglement.

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