

# Holographic Software for Quantum Networks

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We introduce diagrammatic protocols and holographic software for quantum information and quantum simulation. We give a dictionary to translate between diagrammatic protocols and the usual algebraic protocols. In particular we describe the intuitive diagrammatic protocol for teleportation. We introduce the string Fourier transform  $\mathfrak{F}_s$  in quantum information, which gives a topological quantum computer. We explain why the string Fourier transform maps the zero particle state to the multipartite entangled state, which maximizes the entanglement entropy. We construct a multipartite protocol that generalizes BVK. We study Pauli  $X, Y, Z$  matrices, and their relation with diagrammatic protocols. This work provides bridges between the new theory of planar para algebras and quantum information, especially in questions involving communication in quantum networks.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

In this paper we introduce holographic diagrammatic software for quantum information, and we illustrate its use. We use the term “holographic,” since one can translate any protocol into diagrams, and we may simplify the algebraic computation using topological isotopy. The inverse direction is more interesting. We can introduce diagrammatic protocols and translate them to the usual algebraic protocols using our dictionary of the holographic software. This provides a new framework to explore the efficient simulation of physical systems [1–3].

### A. Diagrammatic vs. algebraic protocols

In Fig. 1 we illustrate our diagrammatic protocol for the standard teleportation of Alice’s qudit  $\phi_A$  to Bob. The figure clearly looks like a conduit for teleportation. We use our holographic software in §IV A to translate this interesting diagrammatic protocol into the algebraic

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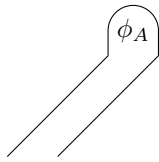


FIG. 1. Holographic protocol for teleportation of qudit  $\phi_A$ .

protocol [4] illustrated in Fig. 2. We introduce the multi-

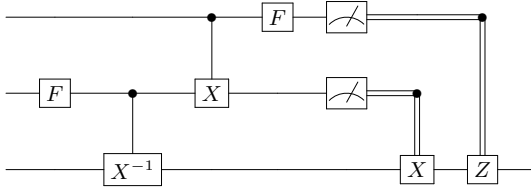


FIG. 2. Algebraic protocol for teleportation from Fig.1.

partite<sup>1</sup> entangled resource state  $|\text{Max}\rangle$ . One can realize the resource state using noiseless channels, as one can realize the Bell states. One can also construct the resource state by a generalized protocol of Bose, Vedral, and Knight [5] using minimal cost of edits, c-dits, and time; see §IV B–§IV C. Our generalized BVK protocol is motivated by [5], as well as the problem of efficiently entangling nodes in a distributed quantum computer or a quantum internet [6].

In another paper [7], we give a new compressed teleportation (CT) protocol involving  $n$ -qudits. We discovered this protocol using holographic software. So we believe that the diagrams studied here provide an interesting paradigm for quantum information.

We expect that the CT protocol can be realized for multipartite communication in Pan’s space science project [8]. This group plans in the next few months to launch a Quantum Science Satellite for long-distance teleportation [9].

There are many other interesting protocols, for example [10–25], and it would be nice to analyze such protocols using holographic software.

## B. String Fourier transform vs. the braid

Originally we had thought that the fundamental way to think about entanglement of qudits lay in the topological properties of the braid, for the braid allows consideration of isotopy in three dimensions. Many other authors have done great work using the braid in quantum information, and this is why we give so many references in that direction in §III G.

<sup>1</sup> In general we use the term multipartite entanglement for entangled states on a Hilbert space composed of multiple subsystems (physics)/ subspaces (math). We use bipartite for two subsystems (Bell states), and tripartite for three subsystems.

But after discovering holographic software, we have come to a different understanding. We now believe that the *string Fourier transform* (SFT) that we introduced in [26] provides a robust starting point for many aspects of quantum information, including entanglement. In addition, the SFT gives a topological quantum computer and a universal quantum simulator, thus augmenting the topological model of quantum computation [27–32]; see §III I.

Our realization of the maximally-entangled, multipartite resource state, as well as our realization of maximal entanglement, is a consequence of the SFT. It comes from the SFT of the zero particle state. The algebraic formulas for the SFT and for the braid can be derived from one another. But we have learned to think about entanglement in terms of the SFT. And this provides insight into computations, and it yields simplification for a number of quantum information protocols; it also suggests new protocols.

Our SFT arose originally in the more general context of planar para algebras, before we understood the depth of its significance for quantum information. Geometrically, the SFT acts on diagrams and gives them a partial rotation. These diagrams might represent qudits, transformations, or measurements.

### 1. The maximally-entangled multipartite resource state

In this paper we focus on a special subset of SFT’s that transform  $n$ -qudits to  $n$ -qudits. Then the SFT acts as a very interesting unitary transformation  $\mathfrak{F}_s$  on the Hilbert space of  $n$ -qudits, that has dimension  $d^n$ . The transformation  $\mathfrak{F}_s$  applied to the  $n$ -qudit zero particle state  $|\vec{0}\rangle$  creates the  $n$ -qudit  $|\text{Max}\rangle$ . Briefly the standard  $n$ -qudit orthonormal basis  $|\vec{k}\rangle$  is characterized by a set of charges  $\vec{k} = (k_1, \dots, k_n)$ , with values  $k_j \in \mathbb{Z}_d$ , and with total charge  $|\vec{k}| = k_1 + \dots + k_n$ . In §III I we compute the matrix elements of  $\mathfrak{F}_s$  and show that

$$|\text{Max}\rangle = \mathfrak{F}_s |\vec{0}\rangle = \frac{1}{d^{\frac{n-1}{2}}} \sum_{|\vec{k}|=0} |\vec{k}\rangle. \quad (1)$$

In §III J we discuss definitions of entanglement entropy  $\mathcal{E}$ , and explain how  $|\text{Max}\rangle$  maximizes this entropy. Thus we claim that the qudit  $|\text{Max}\rangle$  is a maximally entangled  $n$ -qudit. The state  $|\text{Max}\rangle$  provides the natural multipartite analog of a Bell state.

We give the diagrammatic representation for  $|\text{Max}\rangle$  in Fig. 3. This is the multipartite entangled resource state for our protocols, which we discuss in §IV B, and which we use in our new protocol [7].

When the multipartite entangled state occurs in protocols, we indicate the corresponding  $n$ -qudit resource in Fig. 4.

In the special case of order  $d = 2$  and  $n = 2$  (i.e. for 2-qubits), the matrix  $\mathfrak{F}_s$  is the Hadamard transforma-

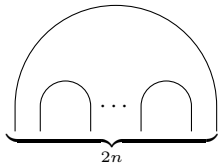


FIG. 3. Diagrammatic representation of the multipartite entangled state  $|\text{Max}\rangle$ . There are  $2n$  output points at the bottom.

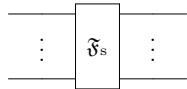


FIG. 4. Protocol for  $|\text{Max}\rangle$ , the multipartite entangled resource state. There are  $n$  input and  $n$  output lines.

tion, followed by CNOT—the usual way to entangle two qubits—and in this case  $|\text{Max}\rangle$  is a Bell state.

### C. The relation between $|\text{Max}\rangle$ and $|\text{GHZ}\rangle$

The state

$$|\text{GHZ}\rangle = \frac{1}{d^{\frac{1}{2}}} \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} |k, k, \dots, k\rangle \quad (2)$$

was considered as a multipartite resource state (originally for  $n$ -qubit entanglement) by Greenberger, Horne, and Zeilinger [10]. In §III K we show the entangled states  $|\text{GHZ}\rangle$  and  $|\text{Max}\rangle$  are related by a local transformation, i.e. by a simple tensor product of transformations. In fact  $|\text{GHZ}\rangle$  is the ordinary Fourier transform of  $|\text{Max}\rangle$ ,

$$|\text{GHZ}\rangle = (F \otimes \dots \otimes F)^{\pm 1} |\text{Max}\rangle, \quad (3)$$

with the Fourier transform  $F$  on a single qudit defined in (7).

### D. Some other key aspects of holographic software

Let us mention some other key aspects of holographic software that we explain in this paper. These features allow us to give a mosaic of diagrams that represent qudits, measurements, and transformations.

We have made very careful choices of our conventions. For instance we put the charge on the right side of a cap in (26); this corresponds to the choice of  $q$  rather than  $q^{-1}$  in (8). This also corresponds to the choice of decreasing basis in (34). We believe that it is difficult to change any of our choices, while preserving *all* the beautiful diagrammatic relations that we present here.

- We represent qudits, meters, and transformations as diagrams with input points on the top and output points on the bottom.

- A 1-qudit is a cap; it has zero input points and 2 output points.
- We assign labels to the strings in our diagrams, representing “charge” on the string.
- *Para isotopy* generalizes topological isotopy and allows us to manipulate diagrams with charge.
- The diagram for a twisted product yields insight into para isotopy for charge-neutral subsystems.
- Braids can be defined in terms of planar diagrams and relate to entanglement.
- Charged diagrams can pass freely under our braids, but not over them.
- We obtain elementary diagrams for  $n$ -qudit Pauli matrices  $X, Y, Z$ .

We refer persons interested in the mathematical theory behind our diagrams to the paper [26], in which we introduce the notion of “planar para algebras” and analyze them in detail. One also finds an explanation and motivation for the names we use for the diagrammatic relations, as well as proofs of these relations.

We remark that our diagrammatic approach is quite different from former approaches from the point of view of knot theory [33], or from the point of view of category theory [34]; those approaches deal with one-way translation, rather than a two-way holographic dictionary.

### E. Does SFT provide quantum simulation?

In classical information theory, the Fourier transform  $F$  plays a central role, in particular in signal recovery; see [35] for a robust application. We propose that the SFT could play an analogous role in quantum information.

The question of quantifying the advantage of a quantum computer is a longstanding open problem [36, 37]. The landmark papers of Lloyd [38], Zalka [39], Abrams and Lloyd [40], and Somma et al. [41] provide foundational insights in the pursuit of quantum simulation. In [6, 36, 42, 43] one finds extensive references; experimental work on quantum simulation has been achieved [44–47].

## II. BASIC ALGEBRAIC NOTATION

### A. Qudits

A 1-qudit is a vector state in a  $d$ -dimensional Hilbert space, where  $d$  is the *degree* of the qudit. (The usual case of qubits corresponds to  $d = 2$ .) We denote an orthonormal basis using Dirac notation by  $|k\rangle$ . We call  $k$  the charge of the qudit, and generally  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_d$ , the cyclic group of order  $d$ .

The dual 1-qudit  $\langle \ell |$  is a vector state in the dual space to the  $d$ -dimensional Hilbert space. And  $\langle \ell | k \rangle = \delta_{\ell, k}$ , where  $\delta_{\ell k}$  is the Kronecker delta.

The  $n$ -qudit space is the  $n$ -fold tensor product of the 1-qudit space. An orthonormal basis for  $n$ -qudits is  $|\vec{k}\rangle = |k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n\rangle$ , where this ket has total charge  $|\vec{k}| = k_1 + k_2 + \dots + k_n$ . The dual basis is  $\langle \vec{\ell} |$ . Every linear transformation on  $n$ -qudits can be written as a sum of the  $d^{2n}$  homogeneous transformations

$$M_{\vec{\ell}, \vec{k}} = |\vec{\ell}\rangle \langle \vec{k}|, \quad \text{with charge } |\vec{k}| - |\vec{\ell}|. \quad (4)$$

The matrix elements of  $T = \sum_{\vec{k}, \vec{\ell}} t_{\vec{\ell}, \vec{k}} M_{\vec{\ell}, \vec{k}}$  are just  $t_{\vec{\ell}, \vec{k}} = \langle \vec{\ell} | T | \vec{k} \rangle$ .

## B. The parafermion algebra

The *parafermion algebra* is a  $*$ -algebra with unitary generators  $c_j$ , which satisfy

$$c_j^d = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad c_j c_k = q c_k c_j \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j < k \leq m. \quad (5)$$

Here  $q \equiv e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}}$ ,  $i \equiv \sqrt{-1}$ , and  $d$  is the order of the parafermion. Consequently  $c_j^* = c_j^{-1} = c_j^{d-1}$ , where  $*$  denotes the adjoint. Majorana fermions arise for  $d = 2$ .

The Jordan-Wigner transformation is an isomorphism between the parafermion algebra with  $2n$  generators and the  $n$ -fold tensor product of the  $d \times d$  matrix algebra, the latter gives  $n$ -qudit transformations. Therefore, we can express  $n$ -qudit transformations as elements in the parafermion algebra.

## C. Transformations of 1-qudits

Let  $q^d = 1$  and  $\zeta = q^{1/2}$  be a square root of  $q$  with the property  $\zeta^{d^2} = 1$ . Matrices  $X, Y, Z, F, G$  play an important role. Three of these are the qudit Pauli matrices

$$X|k\rangle = |k+1\rangle, \quad Y|k\rangle = \zeta^{1-2k}|k-1\rangle, \quad Z|k\rangle = q^k|k\rangle. \quad (6)$$

The Fourier matrix  $F$  and the Gaussian  $G$  are

$$F|k\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{\ell=0}^{d-1} q^{k\ell} |\ell\rangle, \quad G|k\rangle = \zeta^{k^2} |k\rangle. \quad (7)$$

These matrices satisfy the relations

$$XY = qYX, \quad YZ = qZY, \quad ZX = qXZ, \quad (8)$$

$$XYZ = \zeta, \quad FXF^{-1} = Z, \quad GXG^{-1} = Y^{-1}. \quad (9)$$

## D. Transformations of 2-qudits

### 1. The multipartite entangled resource state

We represent the multipartite entangled resource state for 2-qudits as

$$|\text{Max}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} |k, -k\rangle.$$

We say it costs 1 edit if two persons use this entangled state in a protocol.

### 2. Controlled gates

We give the protocol for controlled transformations  $C_{1,A}$  in Fig. 5 and  $C_{A,1}$  in Fig. 6, for different control qudits.

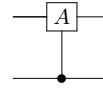


FIG. 5. The controlled gate  $C_{1,A}$  acts on the 2-qudit  $|k_1, k_2\rangle$  gives  $C_{1,A}|k_1, k_2\rangle = |k_1, A^{k_1} k_2\rangle$ . The first qudit is the control qudit.

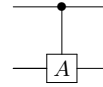


FIG. 6. The controlled gate  $C_{A,1}$  acts on the 2-qudit  $|k_1, k_2\rangle$  gives  $C_{A,1}|k_1, k_2\rangle = |A^{k_2} k_1, k_2\rangle$ . The second qudit is the control qudit.

We sometimes allow more general controlled transformations of the form

$$T = \sum_{\ell=0}^{d-1} |\ell\rangle \langle \ell| \otimes T(\ell), \quad (10)$$

where the control is on the first qudit, and  $T(\ell)$  can be arbitrary on the target qudit. This is shown in Fig. 7; a corresponding configuration with the second control bit would also be possible.

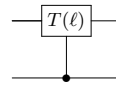


FIG. 7. Controlled transformations.

The measurement controlled gate is illustrated in Fig. 8.



communication, which we explain later in this paper, and also in [7].

## B. Elementary notions

We use a convention in identifying algebraic formulas with diagrammatic ones: the objects on the left side of an equation are represented by the objects on the right side of the equation.

In our diagrams, we call the points on top *input points*, and the points on bottom *output points*. The multiplication goes from bottom to top, and glues input points to output points. Tensor products go from left to right.

An  $n$ -qudit has 0 input points and  $2n$  output points. A dual  $n$ -qudit has  $2n$  input points and 0 output points.

We call a diagram with  $n$  input points and  $n$  output points an  $n$ -string transformation.

An  $n$ -qudit transformation is a  $2n$ -string transformation. (An  $n$ -qudit transformation is an  $n$ -string transformation in previous diagrammatic approaches, such as in [33, 34].) It is interesting that one can also talk about a 1-string transformation that acts on “ $\frac{1}{2}$ -qudits”. We refer the readers to [7] for an application of this concept.

We call

$$k \left| \right. \quad (13)$$

a  $k$ -charged string, or a string with a  $k$ -charged particle. We write the label to the left of the string.

## C. Planar relations

In this section we give relations between certain diagrams. The consistency of these relations is proved in [26]. Using these relations, we give a dictionary between qudits, transformations and diagrams.

- Addition of charge:

$$\begin{array}{c} \ell \\ \hline k \end{array} \left| \right. = \begin{array}{c} k + \ell \\ \hline \end{array} \left| \right. . \quad (14)$$

- Charge order:

$$d \left| \right. = \left| \right. . \quad (15)$$

- Para isotopy:

$$\begin{array}{c} \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \\ \hline \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \end{array} = q^{k\ell} \begin{array}{c} \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \\ \hline \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \end{array} . \quad (16)$$

Here the strings between  $k^{\text{th}}$ -charged and  $\ell^{\text{th}}$ -charged strings are not charged. We call  $q^{k\ell}$  the twisting scalar.

**Notation:** The twisted tensor product of pairs interpolates between the two vertical orders of the product. In the twisted product, we write the labels at the same vertical height:

$$\begin{array}{c} \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \\ \hline \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \end{array} \equiv \zeta^{-k\ell} \begin{array}{c} \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \\ \hline \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \end{array} \\ = \zeta^{k\ell} \begin{array}{c} \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \\ \hline \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \left| \right. \end{array} . \quad (17)$$

In this case  $k, \ell \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and  $k$  and  $k + d$  yield different diagrams. If the pair is neutral, namely  $\ell = -k$ , then the twisted tensor product is defined for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_d$ . This twisted product was introduced in [51, 52].

- String Fourier relation:

$$k \left( \cap \right) = \zeta^{k^2} \left( \cap \right) , \quad (18)$$

$$k \left( \cup \right) = \zeta^{-k^2} \left( \cup \right) . \quad (19)$$

- Quantum dimension:

$$\left( \bigcirc \right) = \sqrt{d} . \quad (20)$$

- Neutrality:

$$k \left( \bigcirc \right) = 0 , \quad \text{for } d \nmid k . \quad (21)$$

- Temperley-Lieb relation:

$$\begin{array}{c} \cap \\ \cup \end{array} = \left| \right. , \quad \begin{array}{c} \cup \\ \cap \end{array} = \left| \right. . \quad (22)$$

**Notation:** Based on the Temperley-Lieb relation, a string only depends on the end points:

$$\begin{array}{c} \cup \\ \cap \end{array} = / , \quad \begin{array}{c} \cap \\ \cup \end{array} = \backslash . \quad (23)$$

- Resolution of the identity:

$$\left| \right. \left| \right. = d^{-1/2} \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} \begin{array}{c} \left( -k \right) \\ \left( k \right) \end{array} . \quad (24)$$









The justification for calling this diagram a braid, is that it satisfies the three Reidemeister moves characteristic of a braid. These relations allow one to lift the planar relations to three-dimensional ones. We refer the readers to [26] for the proof of the braided relations stated in this section.

Define  $\omega = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{j=0}^{d-1} \zeta^{j^2}$ . Then  $\omega$  is a phase, as shown in Proposition 2.15 of [26]. Let  $\omega^{1/2}$  be a fixed square root of  $\omega$ . Define the positive braid  $b_+$  as

$$\begin{aligned} b_+ &= \begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array} \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{\omega d}} \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} k \begin{array}{c} | \\ -k \end{array} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\omega d}} \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} \zeta^{k^2} k \begin{array}{c} | \\ -k \end{array}. \end{aligned} \quad (61)$$

Here we give two different expressions for the braid. The second formula involves the twisted product given in (17).

The braid is a unitary gate. Its adjoint  $b_+^*$  equals the inverse braid, the negative braid  $b_+^{-1} = b_-$ . In diagrams,

$$\begin{aligned} b_+^* = b_- &= \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ \diagup \end{array} = \frac{\sqrt{\omega}}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} k \begin{array}{c} | \\ -k \end{array} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{\omega}}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} \zeta^{-k^2} k \begin{array}{c} | \\ -k \end{array}. \end{aligned} \quad (62)$$

These definitions lead to the following braided relations:

- Braid-Fourier relation:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{loop} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array}. \quad (63)$$

Thus drawing a braid at an arbitrary angle causes no confusion. This equation follows from (16), (19), (24), along with the identity  $d^{-1/2} \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} q^{k\ell} \zeta^{k^2} = \omega \zeta^{-\ell^2}$ .

- Reidemeister move I:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{loop} \end{array} = \omega^{-1/2} \begin{array}{c} | \\ | \end{array}. \quad (64)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{loop} \end{array} = \omega^{1/2} \begin{array}{c} | \\ | \end{array}. \quad (65)$$

- Reidemeister move II:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{crossing} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} | \\ | \end{array}. \quad (66)$$

- Reidemeister move III:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{crossing} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \text{crossing} \end{array}. \quad (67)$$

- The *particle-braid relation*:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{crossing} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \text{crossing} \end{array}. \quad (68)$$

This relation demonstrates that any charged diagram can pass freely under (but not over) the braid.

## H. SFT and maximal entanglement

In [26] we gave a general definition of the string Fourier transform  $\mathfrak{F}_s$  on planar diagrams. Analytic properties of SFT have been studied in [67]. Here we analyze the special case of the SFT acting on  $n$ -qudits. In this case the transformation is given by a diagram with  $2n$  input strings and  $2n$  output strings, and it has charge 0. Acting on 2-qudits we illustrate  $\mathfrak{F}_s$  in Fig. 14. The diagram for  $n$ -qudits is similar. We now analyze the SFT in more detail, both algebraically as well as with some relations for diagrams.

$$\mathfrak{F}_s = \begin{array}{c} \text{diagram} \end{array} \quad (69)$$

FIG. 14. String Fourier transform on 2-qudits.

### 1. String Fourier transform $\mathfrak{F}_s$ for 1-qudits

When  $n = 1$ , we infer from (18), (68), and (64), that

$$\omega^{1/2} \begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array} = \mathfrak{F}_s = G. \quad (70)$$

The positive and negative braids (61)–(62) also have the representations

$$\begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array} = \frac{\sqrt{\omega}}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} \zeta^{-k^2} \begin{array}{c} (-k) \\ (k) \end{array}, \quad (71)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ \diagup \end{array} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\omega d}} \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} \zeta^{k^2} \begin{array}{c} (-k) \\ (k) \end{array}. \quad (72)$$

We conclude that  $\mathfrak{F}_s$  and the braids act as local transformations on 1-qudits.

## 2. String Fourier transform $\mathfrak{F}_s$ on 2-qudits

In the  $n = 2$  case,  $\mathfrak{F}_s$  is a  $d^2 \times d^2$  matrix. This matrix is block-diagonal, as it preserves the  $d$  different 2-qudit subspaces of fixed total charge, each of dimension  $d$ . We call  $|0, 0\rangle$  the zero particle state. The string Fourier transformation of the zero particle state is the maximally-entangled, multipartite, resource state

$$\mathfrak{F}_s|0, 0\rangle = |\text{Max}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{k=0}^{d-1} |k, -k\rangle. \quad (73)$$

The diagrammatic representation of the resource state is in Fig. 15. We use it as a resource to connect diagrams belonging to two persons in a quantum network. In a communication protocol between Alice and Bob, only strings of the resource state are allowed to connect them. Using the resource state costs 1 edit.

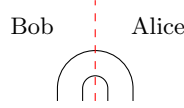


FIG. 15. Diagrammatic resource state: Only the strings in the resource state are allowed to pass the red (dashed) line between Alice and Bob. (The red line is only for explanation, not a part of the protocol.)

On 2-qudits,  $\mathfrak{F}_s$  is a local transformation,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{F}_s &= (G^{-1} \otimes G)C_{1,X}^{-1}(F \otimes 1)C_{1,X}, \quad (74) \\ &= C_{X,1}^{-1}(1 \otimes F)C_{X,1}(G \otimes G^{-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $G^{-1} \otimes G$  is identity on 0-charge 2-qudits, so

$$\mathfrak{F}_s|0, 0\rangle = C_{1,X}^{-1}(F \otimes 1)|0, 0\rangle. \quad (75)$$

The right side of this expression is the original formula for the resource state.

We have shown that the negative braid



acts on a qudit basis  $|\ell\rangle$  as a local transformation  $\omega^{-1/2}G$ . It acts on the second and third strings of a 2-qudit as

$$b_{2,3,-} = \left| \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ \diagup \end{array} \right|. \quad (76)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} b_{2,3,-} &= \omega(1 \otimes G^{-1})\mathfrak{F}_s(G^{-1} \otimes 1) \\ &= \omega C_{1,X}^{-1}(G^{-1}FG^{-1} \otimes 1)C_{1,X} \\ &= \omega C_{X,1}^{-1}(1 \otimes G^{-1}FG^{-1})C_{X,1}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $b_{2,3,-}$  is a local transformation.

## I. Topological quantum computation

The matrices  $X, Y, Z, F, G$  generate the 1-qudit Clifford group. The string Fourier transformation on 2-qudits generates the controlled transformation  $C_Z$ :  $C_Z = (GF^{-1} \otimes FG^{-1})\mathfrak{F}_s(1 \otimes F^{-1}G^{-1})$ . Thus,  $X, Y, Z, F, G, \mathfrak{F}_s$  generate the  $n$ -qudit Clifford group.

In particular, the string Fourier is a topological quantum computer, as it generates any unitary transformations, along with 1-qudit transformations. This construction augments the topological model of quantum computation [27–32], and implies a new way to realize a universal quantum simulator [38, 41].

The pioneering work of Jozsa and Linden on the deep connections between quantum computational speed-ups and multipartite entanglement [68] suggests further motivation to explore the role of the string Fourier in quantum algorithms. In the problem of simulating physical phenomena it would be interesting to evaluate the efficiency of the string Fourier, and realize the transformation with a small-scale quantum simulator to search for the first example of a quantum advantage. See §VII of [37] for some applications of quantum simulation.

### 1. String Fourier transform $\mathfrak{F}_s$ for general $n$ -qudits

In this section we show that the SFT acts on  $n$ -qudits as a unitary transformation  $\mathfrak{F}_s$ . We find the matrix elements  $\langle \vec{\ell} | \mathfrak{F}_s | \vec{k} \rangle$  of  $\mathfrak{F}_s$  in (79)–(81). We also give the matrix elements of its inverse  $\mathfrak{F}_s^*$  in (82). Furthermore, we use these matrix elements to establish the fundamental relation in (84), namely that the SFT produces the maximally-entangled state from the zero-particle qudit,

$$|\text{Max}\rangle = \mathfrak{F}_s|\vec{0}\rangle = \mathfrak{F}_s^*|\vec{0}\rangle = \frac{1}{d^{\frac{n-1}{2}}} \sum_{|\vec{k}|=0} |\vec{k}\rangle. \quad (77)$$

In addition, we obtain some other interesting properties of the SFT operator.

The diagram in Fig. 14 suggests that there is another formula for  $\mathfrak{F}_s$  given by the braid. Let  $b_{i,i+1,-}$  be the negative braid on the  $i^{\text{th}}$  and  $(i+1)^{\text{th}}$  string. Each such transformation is local. Therefore we obtain the representation of the string Fourier transformation as the local transformation on  $n$  qudits,

$$\mathfrak{F}_s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\omega}} b_{2n-1,2n,-} b_{2n-2,2n-1,-} \cdots b_{1,2,-}, \quad (78)$$

with the order in the product for increasing indices from right to left.

We calculate the matrix elements  $\langle \vec{\ell} | \mathfrak{F}_s | \vec{k} \rangle$  of  $\mathfrak{F}_s$  in the qudit basis  $|\vec{k}\rangle = |k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n\rangle$ , and the dual qudit basis  $\langle \vec{\ell} | = \langle \ell_1, \ell_2, \dots, \ell_n |$ . The diagrammatic answer is

given in (79), namely

$$= \omega_{\vec{l}, \vec{k}} \begin{array}{c} \circlearrowleft |\vec{k}| \\ \circlearrowright -|\vec{l}| \end{array}, \quad (79)$$

where

$$\omega_{\vec{l}, \vec{k}} = \zeta^{|\vec{l}|^2} \prod_{1 \leq j_1 < j_2 \leq n} q^{-\ell_{j_1} k_{j_2}}. \quad (80)$$

Thus the transformation  $\mathfrak{F}_s$  can be realized as a  $d^n \times d^n$  matrix, with matrix elements

$$\langle \vec{l} | \mathfrak{F}_s | \vec{k} \rangle = d^{\frac{1-n}{2}} \omega_{\vec{l}, \vec{k}} \delta_{|\vec{l}|, |\vec{k}|}. \quad (81)$$

Similarly the matrix elements of the inverse string Fourier transformation on  $n$ -qudits are

$$\langle \vec{l} | \mathfrak{F}_s^{-1} | \vec{k} \rangle = d^{\frac{1-n}{2}} \bar{\omega}_{\vec{l}, \vec{k}} \delta_{|\vec{l}|, |\vec{k}|}. \quad (82)$$

Moreover,

$$\mathfrak{F}_s^{2n} | \vec{k} \rangle = q^{|\vec{k}|^2} | \vec{k} \rangle. \quad (83)$$

The string Fourier transform and its inverse map  $n$ -qudit product states to maximally entangled states. In particular, if  $\vec{0} = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$ , we call  $|\vec{0}\rangle$  the “zero particle state.” Apply  $\mathfrak{F}_s$  to this state, and insert (81) with  $\vec{k} = \vec{0}$ , to obtain the multipartite resource state,

$$|\text{Max}\rangle = \mathfrak{F}_s |\vec{0}\rangle = \sum_{\vec{l}} \langle \vec{l} | \mathfrak{F}_s | \vec{0} \rangle | \vec{l} \rangle = \frac{1}{d^{\frac{n-1}{2}}} \sum_{|\vec{k}|=0} | \vec{k} \rangle. \quad (84)$$

The coefficients of  $|\vec{k}\rangle$  in the sum in (84) are all positive, because we have chosen the decreasing basis  $|\vec{k}\rangle^{\searrow}$  for our qudits. Similarly  $|\text{Max}\rangle = \mathfrak{F}_s^* |\vec{0}\rangle$ .

We say that a protocol costs 1  $n$ -edit, when it uses this  $n$ -qudit  $|\text{Max}\rangle$  as a resource. The diagrammatic representation and the protocol for the resource state are given in Fig. 3 and 4.

## J. Entropy for $n$ -qudit entanglement

There are several possible ways to define the entanglement entropy for multi-qudits. We give one particular definition for an  $n$ -qudit density matrix  $\rho$ . Let  $S$  denote a proper subset of  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and  $S'$  its complement. Define the entanglement entropy for the set  $S$  as

$$\mathcal{E}_S(\rho) \equiv \mathcal{E}(\text{tr}_{S'}(\rho)), \quad (85)$$

where  $\mathcal{E}$  denotes the von Neumann entropy and  $\text{tr}_{S'}$  denotes the partial trace on  $S'$ . This generalizes the definition in the 2-qudit case.

Then

$$\mathcal{E}_S(\rho_{\text{Max}}) = -\frac{1}{d^{|S|}} \ln \frac{1}{d^{|S|}}, \quad (86)$$

where  $\rho_{\text{Max}}$  is the density matrix corresponding to the state  $|\text{Max}\rangle$ . For this reason we prefer the state  $|\text{Max}\rangle$  as the resource state for  $n$ -qudits, rather than  $|\text{GHZ}\rangle$ , although one is the Fourier transform of the other.

## K. The resource states $|\text{Max}\rangle$ and $|\text{GHZ}\rangle$

Here we establish the relation stated in (3), between the maximally-entangled resource state  $|\text{Max}\rangle$  and  $|\text{GHZ}\rangle$ . In particular, these states are the ordinary Fourier transform  $F \otimes \dots \otimes F$  of one-another. We use the representation (84) for  $|\text{Max}\rangle$ . Then

$$(F \otimes \dots \otimes F) |\text{Max}\rangle = \frac{1}{d^{\frac{n-1}{2} + \frac{n}{2}}} \sum_{\vec{k}: k_n = -k_1 - \dots - k_{n-1}} q^{\vec{k} \cdot \vec{l}} | \vec{l} \rangle.$$

Carry out the  $(n-1)$  sums over  $k_1, \dots, k_{n-1}$  for fixed  $\vec{l}$ . These sums vanish unless  $\ell_j = \ell_n$ , for each  $j = 1, \dots, n-1$ . In case all the equalities hold, there are  $d^{n-1}$  equal, non-zero terms. Thus the answer is as claimed in (3), namely

$$(F \otimes \dots \otimes F) |\text{Max}\rangle = \frac{1}{d^{\frac{1}{2}}} \sum_{\ell} | \ell, \dots, \ell \rangle = |\text{GHZ}\rangle. \quad (87)$$

The same result would arise with  $F^{-1}$  in place of  $F$ .

## L. Measurement dictionary II

$$= \text{Diagram with cups } -l_1, -l_2 \text{ and dashed lines} \quad (88)$$

$$= \text{Diagram with cups } -l_1, -l_2 \text{ and dashed lines} \quad (89)$$

We give a dual 2-qudit as a double-cup diagram in (88), (89). The two corresponding protocols are given in Fig. 16, 17 depending on the choice of the control qudit. They are equivalent to the protocol for measurement in phase space.

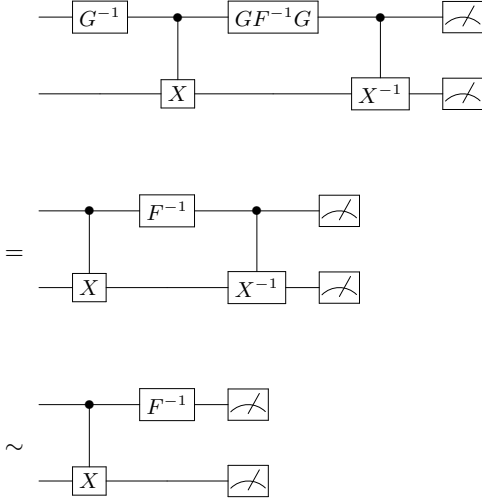


FIG. 16. Measurement in the phase space: The first protocol is translated from the double-cup diagram on the right of (88), where the measurement of the first and the second meters are  $\ell_1$  and  $\ell_2$  respectively. It is simplified as the second protocol using tricks in Figs. 9, 10. It is equivalent to the measurement in the phase space using the trick in Fig. 11.

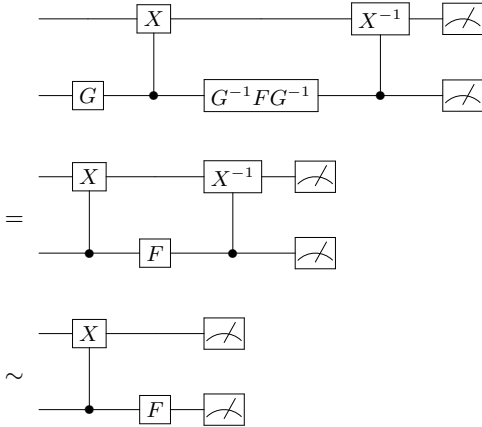


FIG. 17. Measurement in the phase space. This protocol is a translation of (89).

#### IV. DIAGRAMMATIC IDENTIFICATION FOR PROTOCOLS

Now we complete the dictionary of our holographic software. We can use this dictionary to translate diagrammatic protocols to algebraic ones.

In this section we illustrate the robustness of the diagrammatic method, by giving examples. We identify the standard teleportation protocol. As mentioned in the introduction, in a separate paper we present the new compressed teleportation (CT) protocol.

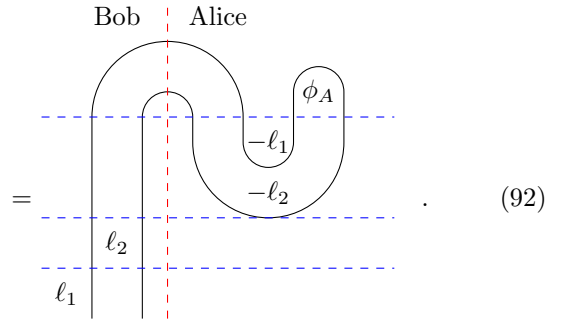
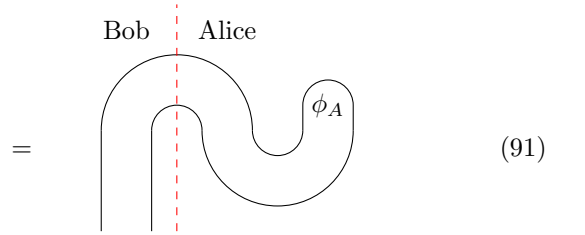
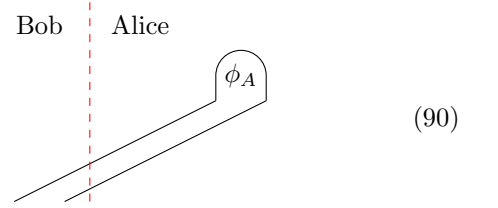
Here we also construct a protocol to produce the multipartite entangled resource state  $|\text{Max}\rangle$  for  $n$  persons.

This protocol requires using  $(n - 1)$  usual 2-edits, and  $(n - 1)$  cdots. This cost is minimal, as is the cost in time, which is the transmission of one cdit.

When we translate between a diagrammatic realization of a protocol and an algebraic realization of that protocol, an overall (global) phase is irrelevant. It does not affect a quantum-mechanical vector state, even though in this paper we often do keep track of this phase.

#### A. Teleportation

The diagram for standard qudit teleportation is



In (91), we regularize the diagram, so that the string across the dotted line is the resource state  $|\text{Max}\rangle$ . In (92), we add charges  $-\ell_1, -\ell_2$  to the double-cup dual qudit. (That means Alice measures the qudits by the meters and the measurements are  $\ell_1$  and  $\ell_2$ .) Moreover, we make up  $\ell_1, \ell_2$  on the corresponding strings. (That means Alice transmits the cdots to Bob, and Bob applies the corresponding transformations.)

Using our dictionary, we can translate the diagrammatic protocol in (92) piecewise to an algebraic protocol illustrated in Fig. 18. When  $d = 2$ , it is exactly the original qubit teleportation protocol.

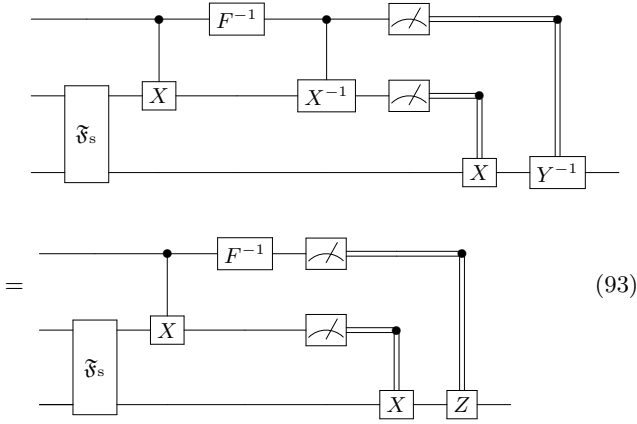


FIG. 18. Teleportation protocol: Measurement in the phase space: The first protocol represents the holographic translation of the diagrammatic protocol (92). It can be simplified to the protocol (93) using tricks in Figs. 11 and 12.

**B. Multipartite resource state**

We introduce the multipartite entangled resource state in (84). We can construct this  $n$ -qudit resource state using  $(n - 1)$  of the 2-qudit resource states. We give the diagrammatic protocol in (94) and the algebraic protocol in Fig. 19 for the case  $n = 3$ . One can easily generalize the protocol to the case for arbitrary  $n$ .

For the case  $n = 3$  this entanglement protocol indicates how to construct a corresponding swapping protocol. It also shows that the usual swapping protocol wastes entanglement.

The point is that the usual swapping protocol uses the resource state between Alice and Bob, as well as the resource state between Bob and Carol. The result is a resource state between Alice and Carol. However, using our protocol we construct one resource state among the three persons: Alice, Bob, and Carol. In this way we do not lose the entanglement between Alice and Bob or between Bob and Carol. We can recover the resource state between one pair by measuring the qudit of the third person.

Our protocol for constructing the multipartite entangled resource state costs minimal edits. However, it is better to construct the multipartite entangled resource state as quantum software [14, 69] at a station and teleport each component to one person by a noiseless channel. This uses  $n$  noiseless channels in total. On the other hand, the construction of  $(n - 1)$ , 2-qudit resource states uses  $2(n - 1)$  noiseless channels. Therefore, one may save cost by using  $n$ -qudit resource states for multipartite communication. Actually, it does save 50% in our new protocol given in [7].

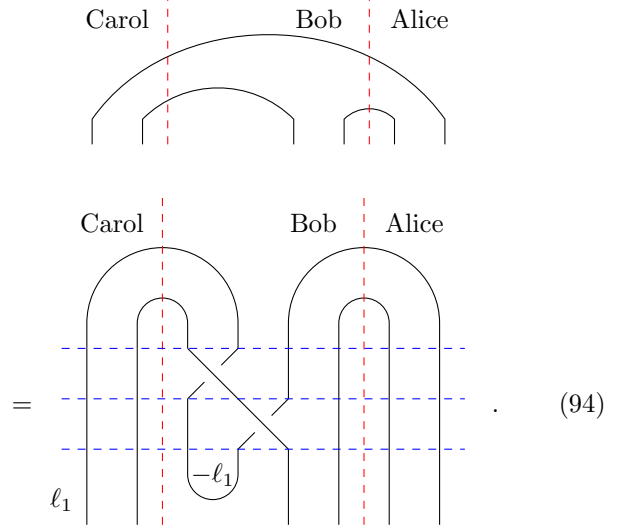


FIG. 19. The construction of the  $n$ -edit resource for  $n = 3$ .

**C. The BVK protocol**

Here we give a more general construction of  $|\text{Max}\rangle$  for a multipartite network, motivated by the Bose-Vedral-Knight protocol [5], and the challenge of Kimble to entangle nodes across a network for a quantum internet [6]. Suppose there are  $n$  parties and the  $j^{\text{th}}$  party has  $n_j$  persons with a shared multipartite entangled resource state  $|\text{Max}\rangle$ . In each party there is one leader who shares an extra multipartite entangled resource state  $|\text{Max}\rangle$ . Then we can construct a multipartite entangled resource state  $|\text{Max}\rangle$  for all members among the  $n$  parties. We illustrate this situation with a diagrammatic protocol in (95). We illustrate the corresponding algebraic protocol in Fig. 20.

**V. CONCLUSION**

We relate holographic software to communication. We have given a comprehensive dictionary to translate back and forth between algebraic protocols and diagrammatic software. We found new protocols in this way. It would be interesting to relate quantum information algorithms, such as [70], to these ideas.

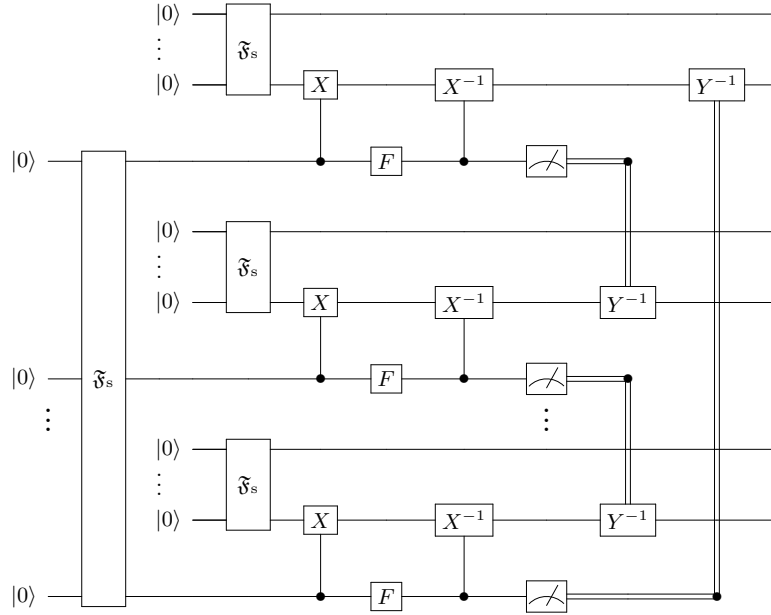
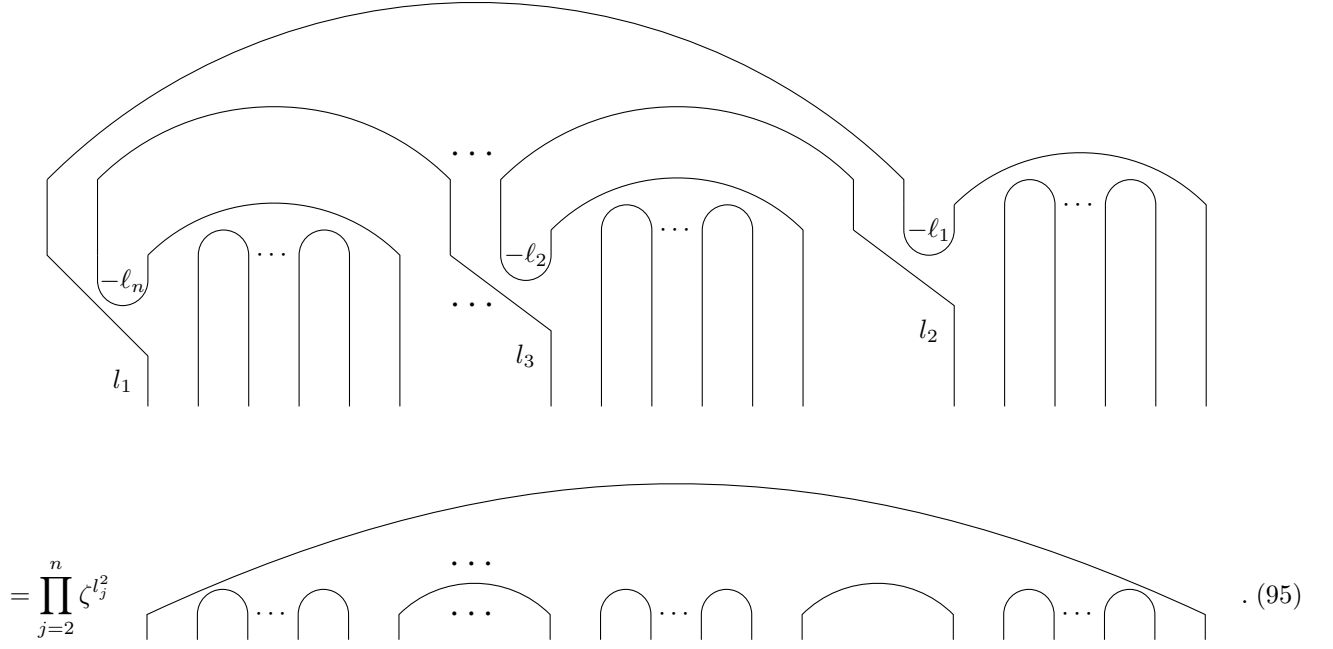


FIG. 20. The algebraic protocol for the iterated construction of the multipartite entangled resource state for multipartite communication corresponding to the diagram in (95).

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