

Logical Foundations for Classical Encryption and Quantum Teleportation

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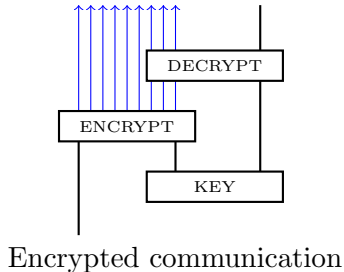
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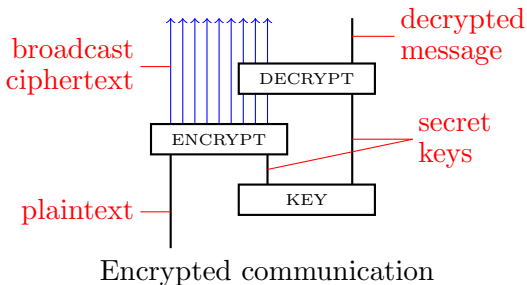
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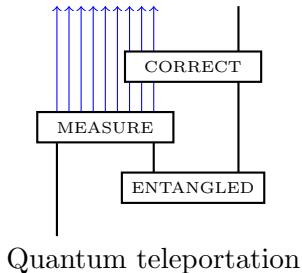
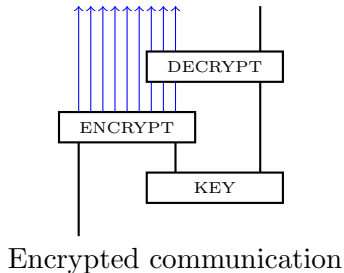
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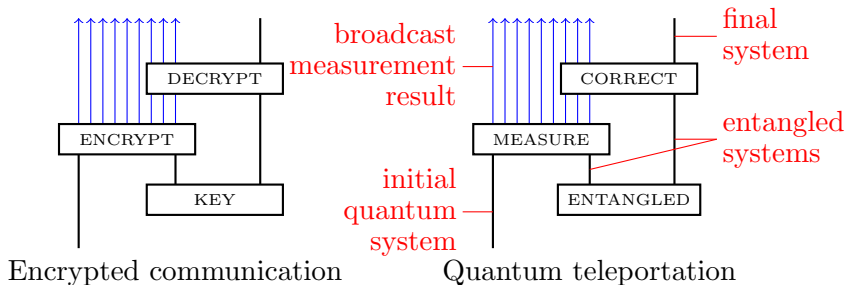
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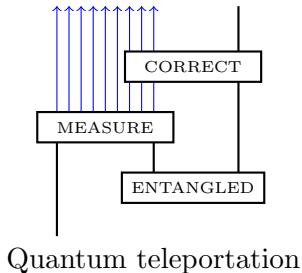
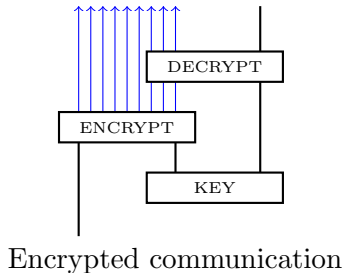
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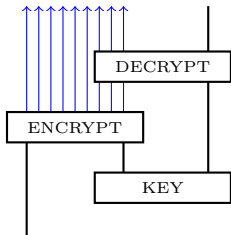
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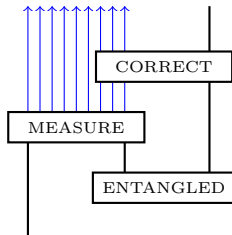


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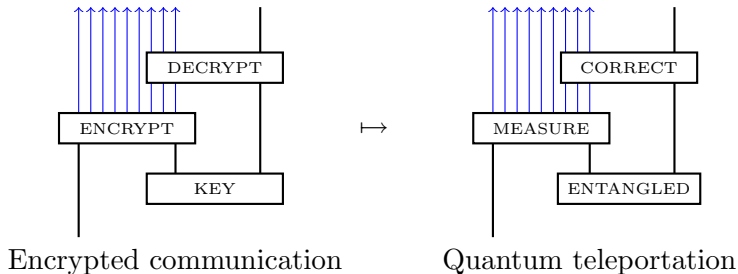


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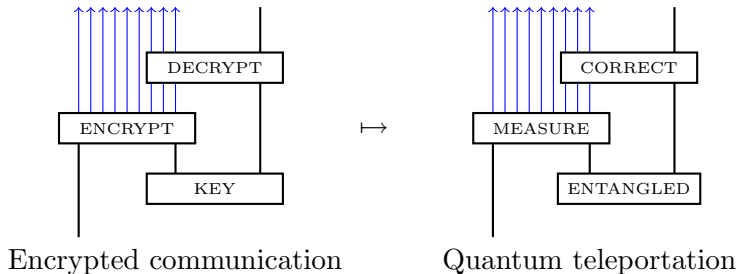


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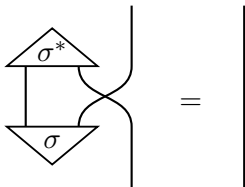
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Part of the *categorical quantum computing* programme launched by Abramsky and Coecke in 2004.

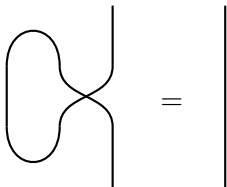
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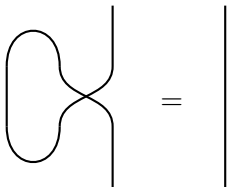


The diagram shows a vertical line on the left that forms a loop on its left side, crossing itself once. This is followed by an equals sign, and then a single vertical line on the right.

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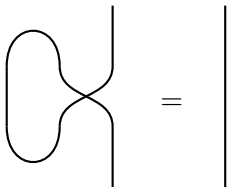
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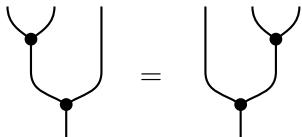
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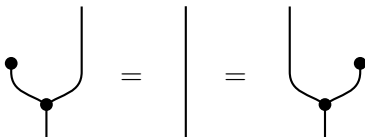
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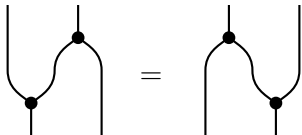
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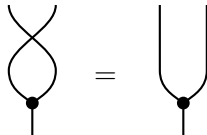
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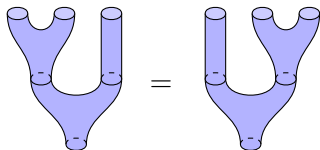
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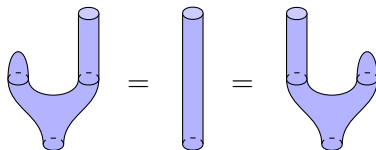
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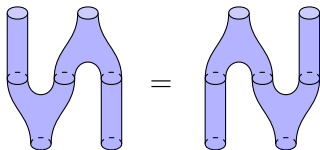
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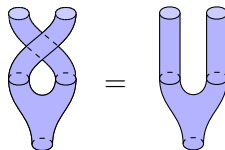
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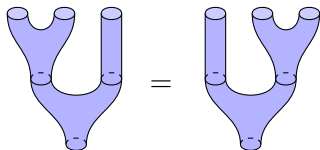


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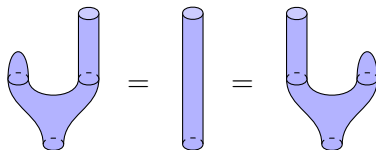
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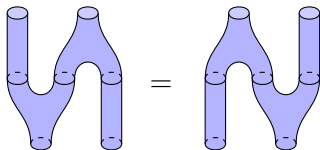
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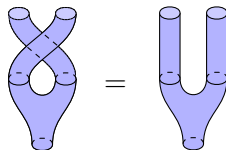
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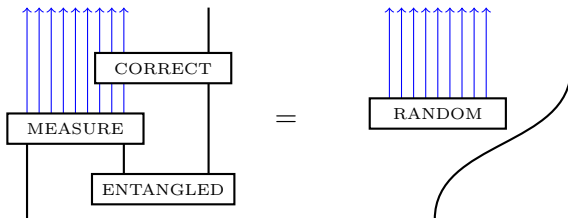


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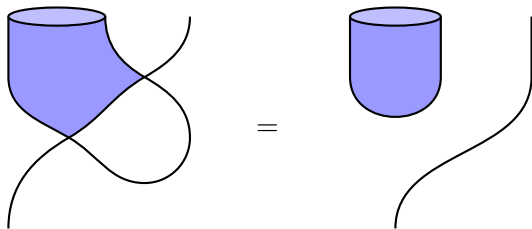
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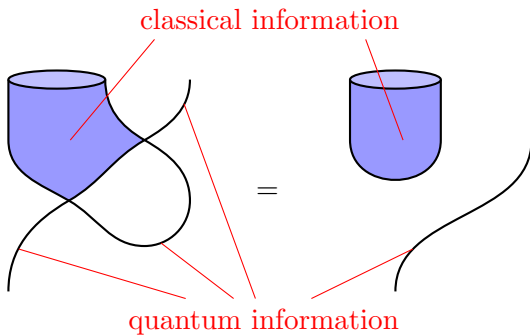
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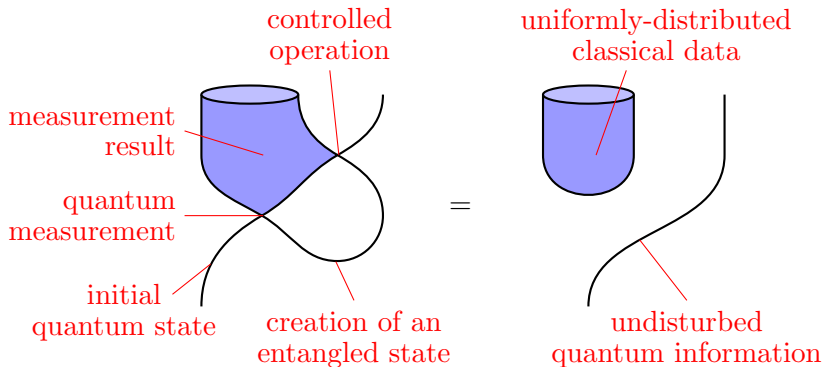
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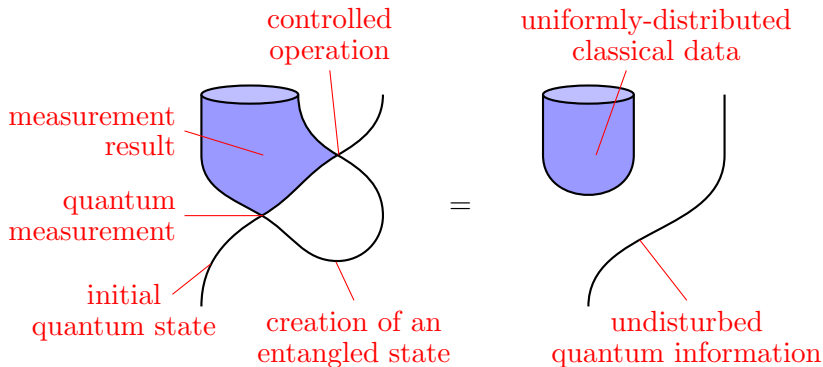
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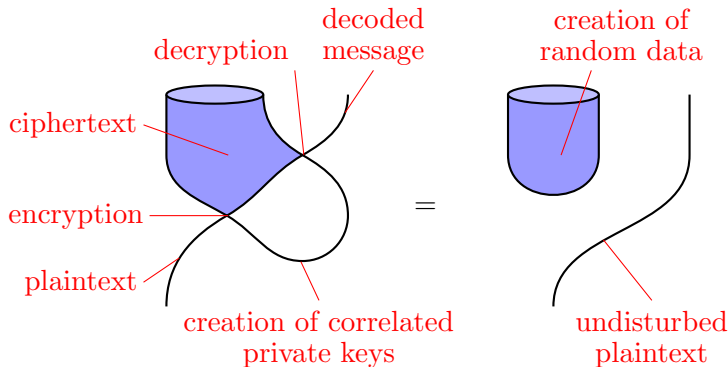


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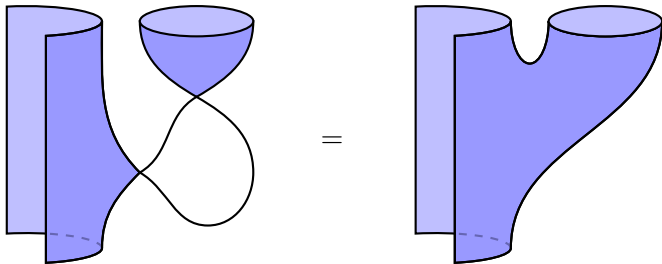


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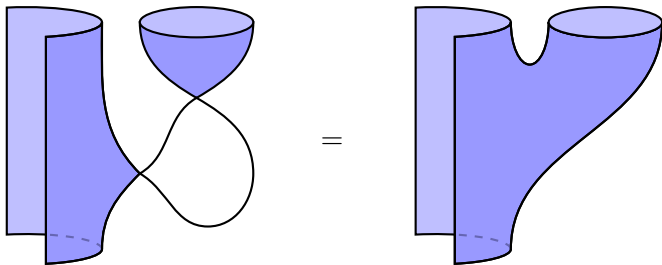
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