

# The quantum monad on relational structures: towards quantum finite model theory?



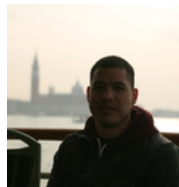
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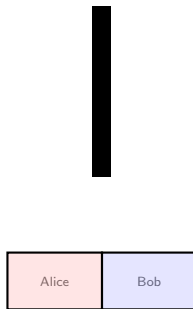
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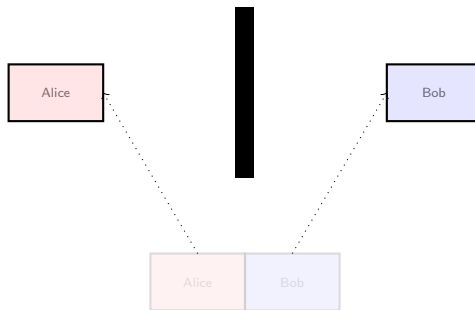
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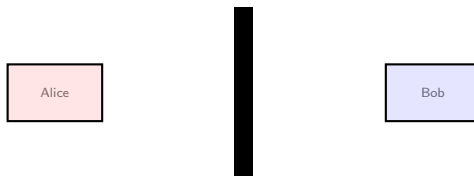
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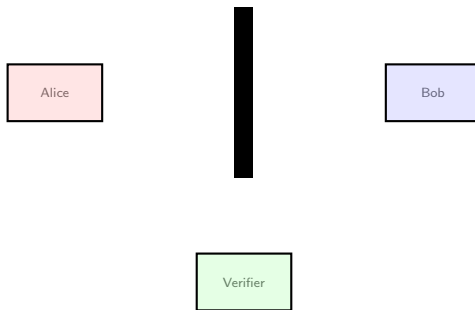
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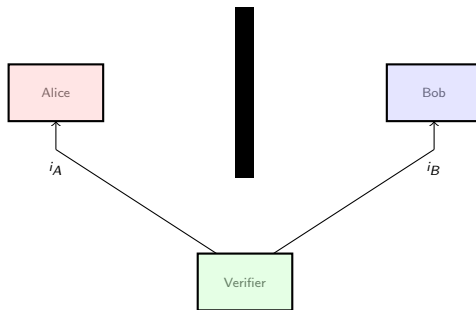
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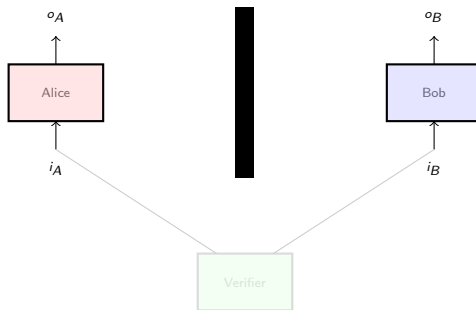




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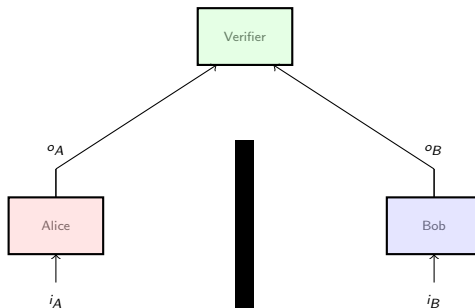
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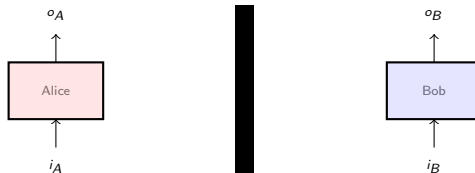


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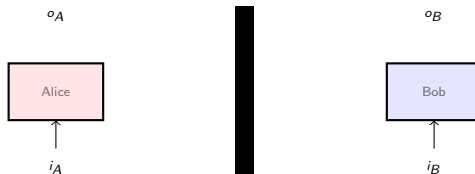
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We aim to flesh this out by subsuming them under a common framework.



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- ▶ We then show that the use of quantum resources for these tasks is captured in a high-level way as **quantum homomorphisms**,
- ▶ which can be described through a **monadic** interface.

# Outline

- ▶ Introduce **homomorphism game** for relational structures
- ▶ Arrive at the notion of **quantum homomorphism**, removing the two-player aspect  
(generalises Cleve & Mittal and Mančinska & Roberson)
- ▶ **Quantum monad**: capture quantum homomorphisms as classical homomorphisms to a *quantised* version of a relational structure  
(inspired on Mančinska & Roberson for graphs)
- ▶ Establish connection between non-locality and **state-independent strong contextuality**
- ▶ Towards quantum finite model theory and descriptive complexity...?

# Homomorphism game for relational structures



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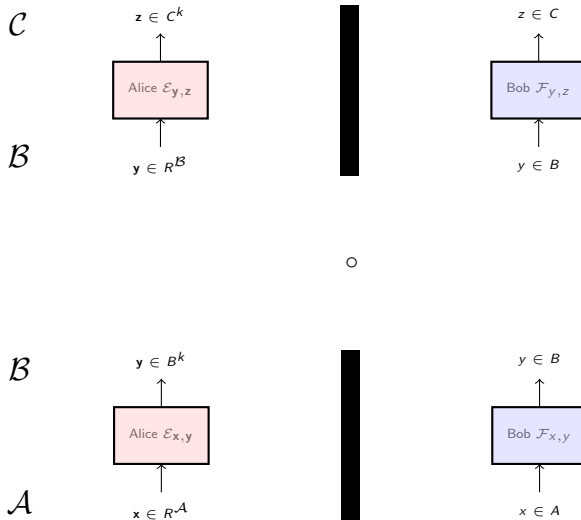
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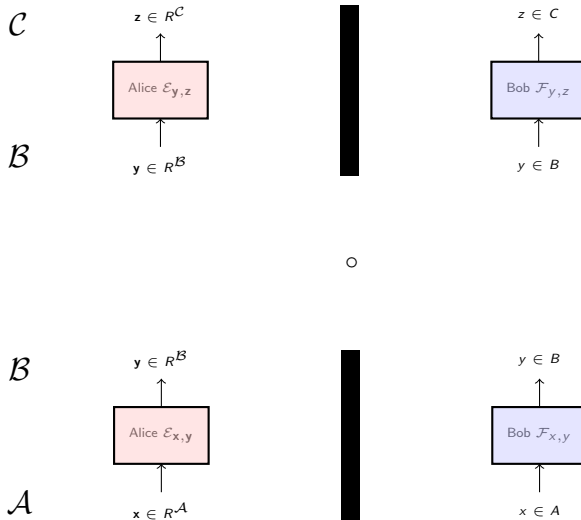
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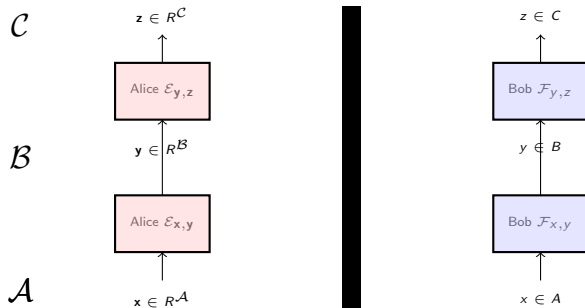
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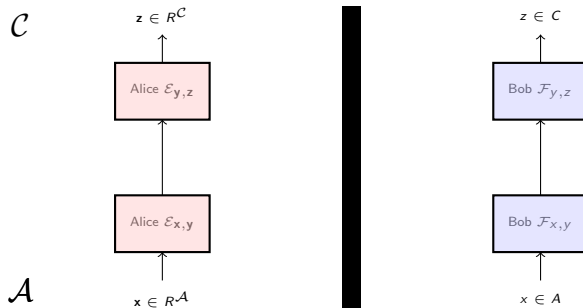
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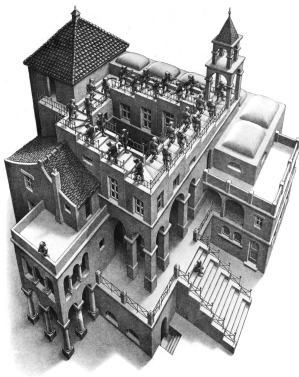
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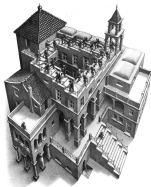
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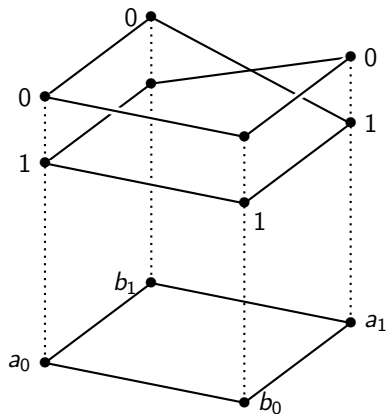
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