

Perfect Embezzlement

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Perfect Embezzlement of Entanglement(R. Cleve, L. Liu, V. Paulsen)

A non-commutative unitary analogue of Kirchberg's conjecture(S. Harris)

- ▶ Van Dam and Hayden Approximate Embezzlement
- ▶ Impossibility of Perfect Embezzlement in Tensor Framework
- ▶ Commuting Framework
- ▶ The C^* -algebra of Non-commuting Unitaries
- ▶ Perfect Embezzlement
- ▶ New Versions of Tsirelson, Connes, and Kirchberg
- ▶ The Coherent Embezzlement Game

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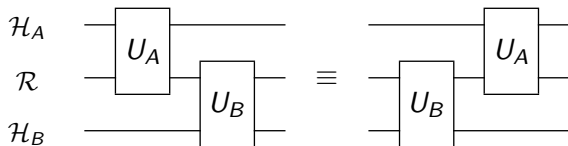
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Thus, we see that having commuting operator frameworks as above is exactly the same as having operator matrices $U_A = (U_{i,j})$ and $U_B = (V_{k,l})$ that yield unitaries and whose entries pairwise *-commute.

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Recall that a *state* on a C^* -algebra is just a positive linear functional s with $s(1) = 1$.

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