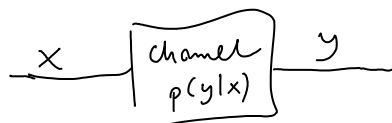


1.1 History :-

- CAESAR, substitution ciphers
- ENIGMA (1912)
- breaking Enigma (1931-1945)
(Rejewski, Turing)
- 1949 (Shannon)
 - (data compression)
 - (channel capacity)
 - (security of one-time pad)
- 1977 (RSA) (security based on mathematical unproven beliefs)
- 1984 (BB84) (security based on laws of physics)
- 1990 - ... (security proofs for quantum cryptography implementations)

1.2 Communication

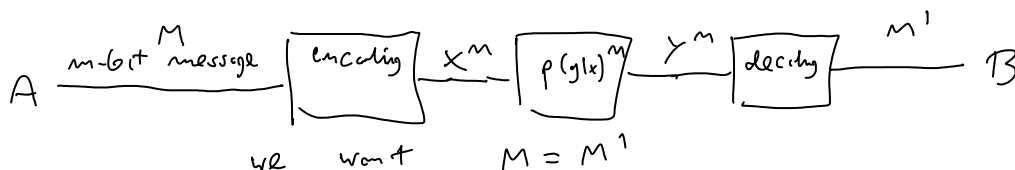
A wants to send some message to B using physical channel
non trivial since in general there is noise



How to send message reliably? (probability of error $\leq \epsilon$)

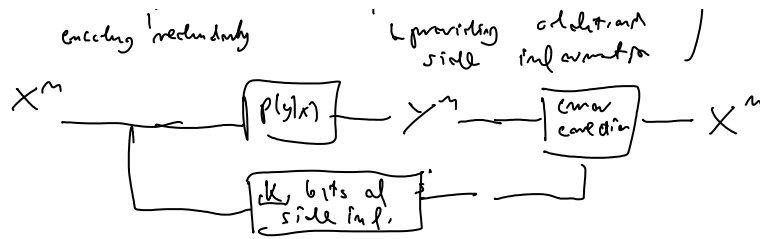
Encode redundant data.

Message is m -bit long, encode in m' -bit long codeword



• Channel capacity: $C = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{M}{m}$ for which ϵ arbitrary small ($M \approx M'$)
Shannon coding theorem (1949)

(Error correction: before or after)



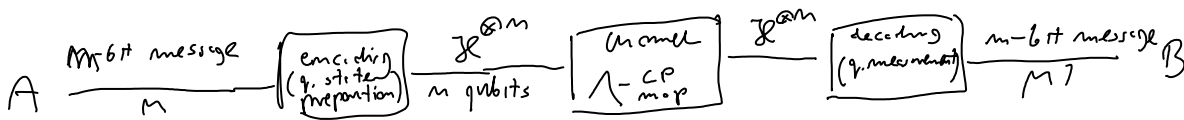
• example:

- CD disk (1.6 μm) (192 bits encoded in 588 physical bits)
 300 MB corrects 220 errors/s
- DVD disk (0.74 μm) 4.7 GB (better error correction)

$$4.7 \text{ GB} \neq \left(\frac{1.6}{0.74}\right)^2 \cdot 0.8 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{the rest from} \\ \text{better error} \\ \text{correction} \end{array} \right.$$

1.3 Q. Communication

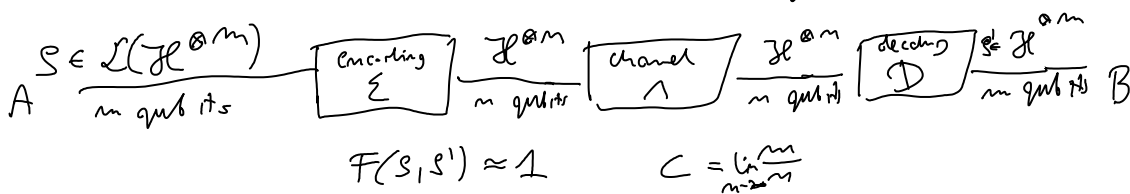
1.3.1 Classical information over Q channel



classical capacity of a quantum channel $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{m}{n}$

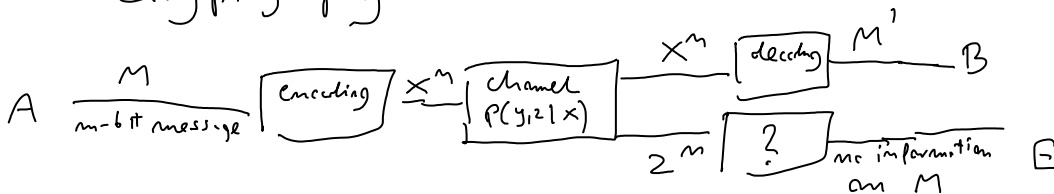
HSW theorem (1997)
(Holevo-Schumacher-Westmoreland)

1.3.2 Quantum information over a quantum channel



LSD theorem
Lloyd, Shor, Devetak (1997)

1.4 Cryptography



possible only when channel $A \rightarrow B$ "better" than $A \rightarrow E$

- because A & B share same common private key (one time pad)
- because B announced public key and only he can effectively decode... (RSA)

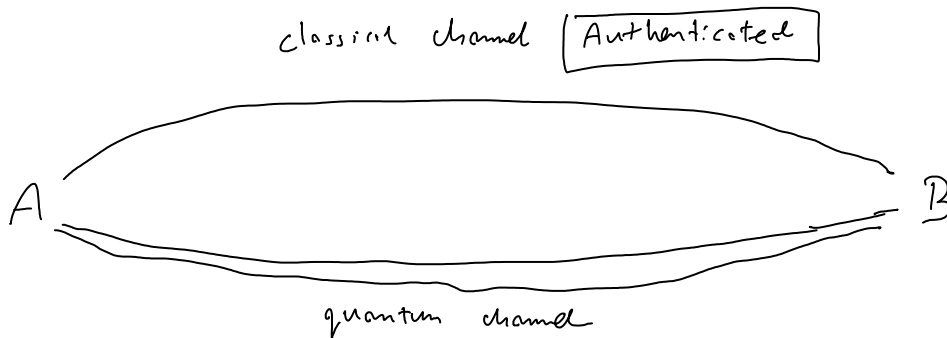
- because A and B performed quantum key distribution (BB84)

secret capacity: $C_s = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{I}{n}$ Csiszar-Korner theorem (1978)

1.5 Quantum key distribution

Idea: the more E learns about A & B communication the larger disturbance she introduces. Detecting disturbance in A → B channel we may bound the knowledge of E and be sure whether channel A → B is better than A → E?
(no-cloning theorem, indistinguishability of nonorthogonal q-states)

BB84 (Bennett, Brassard 1984)



- a) A sends to B, with $p = \frac{1}{4}$ one of four states of a qubit (pol. of a photon)
- $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} | \leftrightarrow \rangle, | \updownarrow \rangle \\ | \nearrow \rangle, | \searrow \rangle \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} | \nearrow \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (| \leftrightarrow \rangle + | \updownarrow \rangle) \\ | \searrow \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (| \leftrightarrow \rangle - | \updownarrow \rangle) \end{array} \right.$
- b) B measures randomly in basis 1: $\{ | \leftrightarrow \rangle, | \updownarrow \rangle \}$
or 2: $\{ | \nearrow \rangle, | \searrow \rangle \}$

A	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
	\leftrightarrow	\updownarrow	\leftrightarrow	\nearrow	\nearrow	\searrow	\updownarrow	\leftrightarrow	\nearrow
B	0	?	?	0	?	1	?	0	0

- c) B announces on the public channel his choices of basis. A and B keep only bits measured in correct basis.
If no disturbance (noise eavesdropper) was present bits should be perfectly correlated

d) A and B measure level of disturbance QBER
 (fraction of bits which are different)
 they reveal randomly chosen n bits

e) Quantum mechanics allows to derive a bound on max information of E which she can obtain introducing given QBER optimal attacks

If $QBER < QBER_{th}$ then channel $A \rightarrow B$ "is better" than channel $A \rightarrow E$
 otherwise protocol aborts

f) A & B perform error correction

g) A & B perform privacy amplification reduce E information to 0 at the cost of shortening their key.

Points f), g) are classical but need quantum input derived in point e) - security proofs.

Remark part of the final key is kept to provide Authentication for the next protocol

We need a short private key to start for authentication
 So in fact we have: Quantum key growing protocol
 (it is important that key needed for authentication is short)
 enough - - - some fraction used for further authentication,

