## Bell Theorem and its generalizations



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Causal network quantum correlations



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## **Bell theorem**

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Bell's theorem 1964

#### **Bell theorem:**

Quantum theory predictions incompatible with 'a natural notion of locality'

#### Main ingredient:

'classical physics correlations ≠ quantum correlations



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Bell Theorem [1964, 1969]: Proof of the failure of the detective





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# can select a measurement 0 or 1 at random and obtain a result 0 or 1



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> **Detective's question**: Where does it come from?



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  - Could be seismic vibrations, cosmic rays, ... Whatever it is, this is the « Common Cause ».



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#### According to an other 'reasonable theory'

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## Foundations: ongoing and future goals



**Classical physics** 

 $\mathbb{R}$  – quantum theory

Generalised bipartite entanglement



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#### **Reconstruct QIT from its correlations?**

- Bell theorem excludes LHV models
- $\mathbb{R}$  quantum theory excluded
- Generalised bipartite entanglement excluded
- Exclude more ?
- Characterise Quantum Information Theory from its correlations?

More?