

### Ralph's inequality

Ralph believes Bell's inequality typifies quantum weirdness as well as the power of information (everything is fundamentally information). Suppose the entangled state of a system is  $|\beta_{11}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle - |10\rangle)$  and an observable is

$$A = X_1 S_2 + X_1 T_2 + Z_1 S_2 - Z_1 T_2$$

where the subscript refers to the qubit on which the transformation operates,  $S = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(X + Z)$  and  $T = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(X - Z)$ .

Required:

1. Find the expected value of  $A$  with respect to the state of the system  $|\beta_{11}\rangle$ . That is, evaluate  $\langle A \rangle = \langle \beta_{11} | A | \beta_{11} \rangle$ .

2. Each component of  $A$  ( $X$ ,  $Z$ ,  $S$ , and  $T$ ) has eigenvalues  $\pm 1$ , what is the maximum value of  $A = X(S + T) + Z(S - T)$  from a classical perspective? (Hint: either  $S + T$  or  $S - T$  is 0.) How does this compare with your result in 1? What does this suggest about the power or synergy of entanglement?