

## Supplementary material: strongly nonlocal four-partite UPBs

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In this supplementary material, we show strongly nonlocal UPBs in four-partite systems.

Let

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{A}_1 &:= \{|\xi_i\rangle_A |\eta_j\rangle_B |0\rangle_C |\xi_\ell\rangle_D : (i, j, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_A-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}\}, \\
 \mathcal{A}_2 &:= \{|\xi_i\rangle_A |d_B-1\rangle_B |\eta_k\rangle_C |\eta_\ell\rangle_D : (i, k, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_A-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}\}, \\
 \mathcal{A}_3 &:= \{|\xi_i\rangle_A |\xi_j\rangle_B |\xi_k\rangle_C |d_D-1\rangle_D : (i, j, k) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_A-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}\}, \\
 \mathcal{A}_4 &:= \{|\xi_i\rangle_A |d_B-1\rangle_B |0\rangle_C |d_D-1\rangle_D : i \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_A-1} \setminus \{0\}\}, \\
 \mathcal{A}_5 &:= \{|d_A-1\rangle_A |\eta_j\rangle_B |\xi_k\rangle_C |\eta_\ell\rangle_D : (j, k, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}\}, \\
 \mathcal{A}_6 &:= \{|d_A-1\rangle_A |\eta_j\rangle_B |0\rangle_C |0\rangle_D : j \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \setminus \{0\}\}, \\
 \mathcal{A}_7 &:= \{|d_A-1\rangle_A |0\rangle_B |\xi_k\rangle_C |d_D-1\rangle_D : k \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \setminus \{0\}\}, \\
 \mathcal{A}_8 &:= \{|d_A-1\rangle_A |d_B-1\rangle_B |d_C-1\rangle_C |\eta_\ell\rangle_D : \ell \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{0\}\}, \\
 \mathcal{B}_1 &:= \{|\eta_i\rangle_A |\xi_j\rangle_B |d_C-1\rangle_C |\eta_\ell\rangle_D : (i, j, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_A-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}\}, \\
 \mathcal{B}_2 &:= \{|\eta_i\rangle_A |0\rangle_B |\xi_k\rangle_C |\xi_\ell\rangle_D : (i, k, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_A-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}\}, \\
 \mathcal{B}_3 &:= \{|\eta_i\rangle_A |\eta_j\rangle_B |\eta_k\rangle_C |0\rangle_D : (i, j, k) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_A-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}\}, \\
 \mathcal{B}_4 &:= \{|\eta_i\rangle_A |0\rangle_B |d_C-1\rangle_C |0\rangle_D : i \neq 0 \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_A-1}\}, \\
 \mathcal{B}_5 &:= \{|0\rangle_A |\xi_j\rangle_B |\eta_k\rangle_C |\xi_\ell\rangle_D : (j, k, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}\}, \\
 \mathcal{B}_6 &:= \{|0\rangle_A |\xi_j\rangle_B |d_C-1\rangle_C |d_D-1\rangle_D : j \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \setminus \{0\}\}, \\
 \mathcal{B}_7 &:= \{|0\rangle_A |d_B-1\rangle_B |\eta_k\rangle_C |0\rangle_D : k \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \setminus \{0\}\}, \\
 \mathcal{B}_8 &:= \{|0\rangle_A |0\rangle_B |0\rangle_C |\xi_\ell\rangle_D : \ell \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{0\}\}, \\
 \mathcal{F} &:= \{|\beta_i\rangle_A |\beta_j\rangle_B |\beta_k\rangle_C |\beta_\ell\rangle_D : (i, j, k, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_A-2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-2} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0, 0)\}\}, \\
 |S\rangle &:= \left( \sum_{i=0}^{d_A-1} |i\rangle \right)_A \left( \sum_{j=0}^{d_B-1} |j\rangle \right)_B \left( \sum_{k=0}^{d_C-1} |k\rangle \right)_C \left( \sum_{\ell=0}^{d_D-1} |\ell\rangle \right)_D,
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

where  $|\eta_s\rangle_X = \sum_{t=0}^{d_X-2} w_{d_X-1}^{st} |t\rangle_X$ , and  $|\xi_s\rangle_X = \sum_{t=0}^{d_X-2} w_{d_X-1}^{st} |t+1\rangle_X$  for  $s \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_X-1}$ , and  $X \in \{A, B, C, D\}$ ,  $|\beta_s\rangle_X = \sum_{t=0}^{d_X-3} w_{d_X-2}^{st} |t+1\rangle_X$  for  $s \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_X-2}$ , and  $X \in \{A, B, C, D\}$ .

Note that  $\{|\eta_s\rangle_X\}_{s \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_X-1}}$ ,  $\{|\xi_s\rangle_X\}_{s \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_X-1}}$ , and  $\{|\beta_s\rangle_X\}_{s \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_X-2}}$  are three orthogonal sets,  $X \in \{A, B, C, D\}$ , which are spanned by  $\{|t\rangle_X\}_{t=0}^{d_X-2}$ ,  $\{|t\rangle_X\}_{t=1}^{d_X-1}$ , and  $\{|t\rangle_X\}_{t=1}^{d_X-2}$ , respectively. The 17 subsets  $\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, 8$ ),  $\mathcal{F}$  in  $A|BCD$  bipartition correspond to the 17 blocks of  $d_A \times d_B d_C d_D$  grid in Fig. 1.

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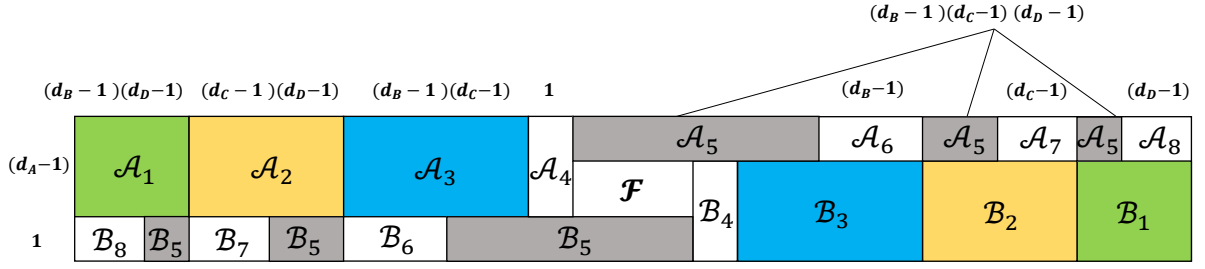


FIG. 1: The corresponding  $d_A \times d_B d_C d_D$  grid of  $\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, 8$ ),  $\mathcal{F}$  (Eq. (1)) in  $A|BCD$  bipartition. Moreover,  $\mathcal{A}_i$  is symmetrical to  $\mathcal{B}_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq 8$ .

Now, we show that the union of the states from the 17 subsets and  $\{|S\rangle\}$  is a UPB.

**Proposition 1** In  $d_A \otimes d_B \otimes d_C \otimes d_D$ ,  $3 \leq d_A \leq d_B \leq d_C \leq d_D$ , the set of states  $\cup_{i=1}^8 (\mathcal{A}_i \cup \mathcal{B}_i) \cup \mathcal{F} \cup \{|S\rangle\}$  given by Eq. (1) is a UPB of size  $d_A d_B d_C d_D - 16$ .

**Proof.** By Fig. 1, we know that the set of states  $\cup_{i=1}^8 (\mathcal{A}_i \cup \mathcal{B}_i) \cup \mathcal{F} \cup \{|S\rangle\}$  has a similar structure for any  $3 \leq d_A \leq d_B \leq d_C \leq d_D$ . Without loss of generality, we only consider the case for  $d_A = d_B = d_C = d_D = 3$ . Note that in this case,  $\mathcal{F} = \emptyset$ . For the same discussion as Example 3 in the main text, we proved it by contradiction. Assume that there exists a product state  $|\psi\rangle$  in the complementary space of the space spanned by the states in  $\cup_{i=1}^8 (\mathcal{A}_i \cup \mathcal{B}_i)$ . Then we consider the matrix form of  $|\psi\rangle$  in  $A|BCD$ ,  $AB|CD$  and  $ABC|D$  bipartitions. First, we consider  $A|BCD$  bipartition. We have

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 & a_0 & a_0 & a_0 & b_0 & b_0 & b_0 & b_0 & c_0 & c_0 & c_0 & c_0 & d_0 & e_0 & e_0 & e_0 & e_0 & f_0 & f_0 & e_0 & e_0 & g_0 & g_0 & e_0 & e_0 & h_0 & h_0 \\ a_0 & a_0 & a_0 & a_0 & b_0 & b_0 & b_0 & b_0 & c_0 & c_0 & c_0 & c_0 & d_0 & s & d_1 & c_1 & c_1 & c_1 & c_1 & b_1 & b_1 & b_1 & b_1 & a_1 & a_1 & a_1 & a_1 \\ h_1 & h_1 & e_1 & e_1 & g_1 & g_1 & e_1 & e_1 & f_1 & f_1 & e_1 & e_1 & e_1 & e_1 & d_1 & c_1 & c_1 & c_1 & c_1 & b_1 & b_1 & b_1 & b_1 & a_1 & a_1 & a_1 & a_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

It satisfies

$$\text{rank}(M) = 1, \quad \text{sum}(M) = 0. \quad (3)$$

Then we consider  $AB|CD$  bipartition. We can rearrange the first row of  $M$  to the  $3 \times 9$  matrix  $M_2$  through  $(AB, CD)$  coordinates of  $M$ , and rearrange the last row of  $M$  to the  $3 \times 9$  matrix  $M_0$  through  $(AB, CD)$  coordinates of  $M$ , where

$$M_2 = \begin{bmatrix} b_0 & b_0 & d_0 & b_0 & b_0 & h_0 & h_0 & c_0 & c_0 \\ f_0 & a_0 & a_0 & e_0 & e_0 & e_0 & e_0 & c_0 & c_0 \\ f_0 & a_0 & a_0 & e_0 & e_0 & e_0 & e_0 & g_0 & g_0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{rank}(M_2) = 0 \text{ or } 1, \quad (4)$$

$$M_0 = \begin{bmatrix} g_1 & g_1 & e_1 & e_1 & e_1 & e_1 & a_1 & a_1 & f_1 \\ c_1 & c_1 & e_1 & e_1 & e_1 & e_1 & a_1 & a_1 & f_1 \\ c_1 & c_1 & h_1 & h_1 & b_1 & b_1 & d_1 & b_1 & b_1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{rank}(M_0) = 0 \text{ or } 1, \quad (5)$$

Next, we consider  $ABC|D$  bipartition. We can rearrange the first row of  $M$  to the  $9 \times 3$  matrix  $N_2$  through  $(ABC, D)$  coordinates of  $M$ , and rearrange the last row of  $M$  to the  $9 \times 3$  matrix  $N_0$  through  $(ABC, D)$  coordinates of  $M$ , where

$$N_2 = \begin{bmatrix} h_0 & b_0 & b_0 & e_0 & e_0 & e_0 & e_0 & f_0 & f_0 \\ h_0 & b_0 & b_0 & e_0 & e_0 & e_0 & e_0 & a_0 & a_0 \\ c_0 & c_0 & d_0 & c_0 & c_0 & g_0 & g_0 & a_0 & a_0 \end{bmatrix}^T, \quad \text{rank}(N_2) = 0 \text{ or } 1, \quad (6)$$

$$N_0 = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_1 & g_1 & g_1 & c_1 & c_1 & d_1 & c_1 & c_1 \\ a_1 & a_1 & e_1 & e_1 & e_1 & e_1 & b_1 & b_1 & h_1 \\ f_1 & f_1 & e_1 & e_1 & e_1 & e_1 & b_1 & b_1 & h_1 \end{bmatrix}^T, \quad \text{rank}(N_0) = 0 \text{ or } 1. \quad (7)$$

Assume  $a_0 \neq 0$ . Since  $\text{rank}(M) = 1$ , we have  $h_1 = e_1$  and  $e_0 = s = d_1 = c_1 = f_0 = b_1 = g_0 = a_1 = h_0$ . By Eq. (6), we obtain  $e_0 = c_0 = b_0 = d_0$ .

(i) If  $e_0 \neq 0$ , then  $e_0 = a_0$  by Eq. (4), and  $e_0 = g_1 = e_1 = f_1$  by Eq. (5). It is impossible for  $\text{sum}(M)=0$ .

(ii) If  $e_0 = 0$ , then  $g_1 = e_1 = f_1 = 0$  since  $\text{rank}(M) = 1$ . It is impossible for  $\text{sum}(M)=0$ .

Thus we have  $a_0 = 0$ . By the symmetry of  $M$ , we must have  $a_1 = 0$ .

Assume  $b_0 \neq 0$ . Since  $\text{rank}(M) = 1$ , we have  $h_1 = e_1 = g_1 = 0$ , and  $e_0 = s = d_1 = c_1 = f_0 = b_1 = g_0 = a_1 = h_0 = 0$ . By Eq. (6), we obtain  $c_0 = d_0 = 0$ . Further, since  $\text{rank}(M) = 1$ , we have  $f_1 = 0$ . It is impossible for  $\text{sum}(M)=0$ . We must have  $b_0 = b_1 = 0$ .

Assume  $c_0 \neq 0$ . Since  $\text{rank}(M) = 1$ , we have  $h_1 = e_1 = g_1 = f_1 = 0$ , and  $e_0 = s = d_1 = c_1 = f_0 = b_1 = g_0 = a_1 = h_0 = 0$ . By Eq. (4), we obtain  $d_0 = 0$ . It is impossible for  $\text{sum}(M)=0$ . We must have  $c_0 = c_1 = 0$ .

Assume  $d_0 \neq 0$ . Since  $\text{rank}(M) = 1$ , we have  $h_1 = e_1 = g_1 = f_1 = 0$ , and  $e_0 = s = d_1 = c_1 = f_0 = b_1 = g_0 = a_1 = h_0 = 0$ . It is impossible for  $\text{sum}(M)=0$ . We must have  $d_0 = d_1 = 0$ .

Assume  $h_1 \neq 0$ . Since  $\text{rank}(M) = 1$ , we have  $e_0 = s = f_0 = g_0 = h_0 = 0$ . By Eq. (5), we obtain  $e_1 = g_1 = f_1 = 0$ . It is impossible for  $\text{sum}(M)=0$ . We must have  $h_0 = h_1 = 0$ .

Assume  $e_1 \neq 0$ . Since  $\text{rank}(M) = 1$ , we have  $e_0 = s = f_0 = g_0 = 0$ . By Eq. (7), we obtain  $f_1 = g_1 = 0$ . It is impossible for  $\text{sum}(M)=0$ . We must have  $e_0 = e_1 = 0$ .

Assume  $g_1 \neq 0$ . Since  $\text{rank}(M) = 1$ , we have  $s = f_0 = g_0 = 0$ . By Eq. (5), we obtain  $f_1 = 0$ . It is impossible for  $\text{sum}(M)=0$ . We must have  $g_0 = g_1 = 0$ .

Assume  $f_1 \neq 0$ . Since  $\text{rank}(M) = 1$ , we have  $s = f_0 = 0$ . It is impossible for  $\text{sum}(M)=0$ . We must have  $f_0 = f_1 = 0$ .

Since  $\text{sum}(M) = 0$ , WE MUST HAVE  $s = 0$ . It is impossible for  $\text{rank}(M) = 1$ .

Thus  $|\psi\rangle$  must be an entangled state, and the set of states  $\cup_{i=1}^8 (\mathcal{A}_i \cup \mathcal{B}_i) \cup \{|S\rangle\}$  is a UPB. The proof for the case  $d_A, d_B, d_C, d_D \geq 3$  is similar to above proof.  $\square$

Now, we show the strong quantum nonlocality for the above UPBs.

**Proposition 2** *In  $d_A \otimes d_B \otimes d_C \otimes d_D$ ,  $3 \leq d_A \leq d_B \leq d_C \leq d_D$ , the UPB  $\cup_{i=1}^8 (\mathcal{A}_i \cup \mathcal{B}_i) \cup \mathcal{F} \cup \{|S\rangle\}$  given by Eq. (1) is strongly nonlocal.*

**Proof.** Denote  $\mathcal{U} := \cup_{i=1}^8 (\mathcal{A}_i \cup \mathcal{B}_i) \cup \mathcal{F} \cup \{|S\rangle\}$ . Let  $B, C$  and  $D$  come together to perform a joint orthogonality-preserving POVM  $\{E = M^\dagger M\}$ , where  $E = (a_{ijk,\ell mn})_{i,\ell \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B}, j,m \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_C}, k,n \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_D}}$ . Then the postmeasurement states  $\{\mathbb{I}_A \otimes M|\psi\rangle : |\psi\rangle \in \mathcal{U}\}$  should be mutually orthogonal.

**Step 1** Since  $\langle \xi_1 | \eta_1 \rangle_A \neq 0$ , applying Block Zeros Lemma to any two elements of  $\cup_{i=1}^4 \{\mathcal{A}_i(|\xi_1\rangle_A), \mathcal{B}_i(|\eta_1\rangle_A)\}$ , we obtain

$$\mathcal{A}_i^{(A)} E \mathcal{A}_j^{(A)} = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathcal{A}_i^{(A)} E \mathcal{B}_k^{(A)} = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathcal{B}_k^{(A)} E \mathcal{B}_\ell^{(A)} = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathcal{B}_k^{(A)} E \mathcal{A}_i^{(A)} = \mathbf{0}, \quad (8)$$

for  $1 \leq i \neq j \leq 4, 1 \leq k \neq \ell \leq 4$ . Next, we consider  $\mathcal{A}_5(|d_A - 1\rangle_A)$  and  $\mathcal{A}_1(|\xi_1\rangle_A)$ . Then for  $(j, k, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}$ , and  $(m, n) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & {}_B \langle \eta_j | {}_C \langle \xi_k | {}_D \langle \eta_\ell | E | \eta_m \rangle_B | 0 \rangle_C | \xi_n \rangle_D = \\ & {}_B \left( \sum_{t_1=0}^{d_B-2} w_{d_B-1}^{-j t_1} \langle t_1 | \right) {}_C \left( \sum_{t_2=0}^{d_C-2} w_{d_C-1}^{-k t_2} \langle t_2 + 1 | \right) {}_D \left( \sum_{t_3=0}^{d_D-2} w_{d_D-1}^{-\ell t_3} \langle t_3 | \right) E \\ & \left( \sum_{t_4=0}^{d_B-2} w_{d_B-1}^{m t_4} | t_4 \rangle \right) {}_B | 0 \rangle_C \left( \sum_{t_5=0}^{d_D-2} w_{d_D-1}^{n t_5} | t_5 + 1 \rangle \right) {}_D = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

We have shown that  $\mathcal{B}_i^{(A)} E \mathcal{A}_1^{(A)} = \mathbf{0}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq 4$  by Eq. (8). It means that  $\mathcal{B}_i^{(A)} \cap \mathcal{A}_5^{(A)} E \mathcal{A}_1^{(A)} = \mathbf{0}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq 4$ . Then Eq. (9) can be expressed by

$$\begin{aligned} & {}_B \left( \sum_{t_1=1}^{d_B-2} w_{d_B-1}^{-j t_1} \langle t_1 | \right) {}_C \left( \sum_{t_2=0}^{d_C-3} w_{d_C-1}^{-k t_2} \langle t_2 + 1 | \right) {}_D \left( \sum_{t_3=1}^{d_D-2} w_{d_D-1}^{-\ell t_3} \langle t_3 | \right) E \\ & \left( \sum_{t_4=0}^{d_B-2} w_{d_B-1}^{m t_4} | t_4 \rangle \right) {}_B | 0 \rangle_C \left( \sum_{t_5=0}^{d_D-2} w_{d_D-1}^{n t_5} | t_5 + 1 \rangle \right) {}_D = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

i.e.

$$\sum_{t_1=1}^{d_B-2} \sum_{t_2=0}^{d_C-3} \sum_{t_3=1}^{d_D-2} \sum_{t_4=0}^{d_B-2} \sum_{t_5=0}^{d_D-2} w_{d_B-1}^{-j t_1} w_{d_C-1}^{-k t_2} w_{d_D-1}^{-\ell t_3} w_{d_B-1}^{m t_4} w_{d_D-1}^{n t_5} \langle t_1 | {}_C \langle t_2 + 1 | {}_D \langle t_3 | E | t_4 \rangle_B | 0 \rangle_C | t_5 + 1 \rangle_D = 0, \quad (11)$$

for any  $1 \leq j \leq d_B - 2$ ,  $0 \leq k \leq d_C - 3$ ,  $1 \leq \ell \leq d_D - 2$ ,  $0 \leq m \leq d_B - 2$ ,  $0 \leq n \leq d_D - 2$ . It means that

$$[H_1^\dagger \otimes H_2^\dagger \otimes H_3^\dagger \otimes H_4 \otimes H_5]X = \mathbf{0}, \quad (12)$$

where

$$H_1 = \begin{pmatrix} w_{d_B-1} & w_{d_B-1}^2 & \cdots & w_{d_B-1}^{(d_B-2)} \\ w_{d_B-1}^2 & w_{d_B-1}^4 & \cdots & w_{d_B-1}^{2(d_B-2)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ w_{d_B-1}^{(d_B-2)} & w_{d_B-1}^{2(d_B-2)} & \cdots & w_{d_B-1}^{(d_B-2)^2} \end{pmatrix}, \quad H_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & w_{d_C-1} & \cdots & w_{d_C-1}^{(d_C-3)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & w_{d_C-1}^{(d_C-3)} & \cdots & w_{d_C-1}^{(d_C-3)^2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (13)$$

$$H_3 = \begin{pmatrix} w_{d_D-1} & w_{d_D-1}^2 & \cdots & w_{d_D-1}^{(d_D-2)} \\ w_{d_D-1}^2 & w_{d_D-1}^4 & \cdots & w_{d_D-1}^{2(d_D-2)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ w_{d_D-1}^{(d_D-2)} & w_{d_D-1}^{2(d_D-2)} & \cdots & w_{d_D-1}^{(d_D-2)^2} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (14)$$

$H_4 = (w_{d_B-1}^{ij})_{i,j \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1}}$ ,  $H_5 = (w_{d_D-1}^{ij})_{i,j \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1}}$  and  $X$  is a column vector,

$$X = ({}_B\langle t_1 | {}_C\langle t_2 + 1 | {}_D\langle t_3 | E | t_4 \rangle_B | 0 \rangle_C | t_5 + 1 \rangle_D)_{\{1 \leq t_1 \leq d_B-2, 0 \leq t_2 \leq d_C-3, 1 \leq t_3 \leq d_D-2, 0 \leq t_4 \leq d_B-2, 0 \leq t_5 \leq d_D-2\}}. \quad (15)$$

Since  $H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4, H_5$  are all full-rank matrices, it implies that  $H_1^\dagger \otimes H_2^\dagger \otimes H_3^\dagger \otimes H_4 \otimes H_5$  is a full-rank matrix. Then  $X = \mathbf{0}$ , i.e.

$${}_B\langle t_1 | {}_C\langle t_2 + 1 | {}_D\langle t_3 | E | t_4 \rangle_B | 0 \rangle_C (|t_5 + 1 \rangle_D = 0, \quad (16)$$

for  $1 \leq t_1 \leq d_B - 2$ ,  $0 \leq t_2 \leq d_C - 3$ ,  $1 \leq t_3 \leq d_D - 2$ ,  $0 \leq t_4 \leq d_B - 2$ ,  $0 \leq t_5 \leq d_D - 2$ . It also means that

$${}_{\mathcal{F}^{(A)}} E_{\mathcal{A}_1^{(A)}} = \mathbf{0}. \quad (17)$$

By using  $\mathcal{A}_5(|d_A - 1 \rangle_A)$  and  $\mathcal{A}_i(|\xi_1 \rangle_A)$  for  $1 \leq i \leq 4$ , we can also show that

$${}_{\mathcal{F}^{(A)}} E_{\mathcal{A}_i^{(A)}} = \mathbf{0}, \quad (18)$$

for  $1 \leq i \leq 4$  by the same discussion as above. Further, by the symmetry of Fig. 1, we can also obtain that

$${}_{\mathcal{F}^{(A)}} E_{\mathcal{B}_j^{(A)}} = \mathbf{0}, \quad (19)$$

for  $1 \leq j \leq 4$ . Thus, by Eqs. (8), (18) and (19),  $E$  is a block diagonal matrix. It can be expressed by

$$E = E_{\mathcal{A}_1^{(A)}} \oplus E_{\mathcal{A}_2^{(A)}} \oplus E_{\mathcal{A}_3^{(A)}} \oplus E_{\mathcal{A}_4^{(A)}} \oplus E_{\mathcal{F}^{(A)}} \oplus E_{\mathcal{B}_4^{(A)}} \oplus E_{\mathcal{B}_3^{(A)}} \oplus E_{\mathcal{B}_2^{(A)}} \oplus E_{\mathcal{B}_1^{(A)}}. \quad (20)$$

**Step 2** Considering  $|S\rangle$  and  $\{|\beta_0 \rangle_A |\beta_j \rangle_B |\beta_k \rangle_C |\beta_\ell \rangle_D\}_{(j,k,\ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-2} \setminus \{(0,0,0)\}} \subset \mathcal{F}$ , where  $d_D \geq 4$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & {}_B \left( \sum_{i_1=0}^{d_B-1} \langle i_1 | \right) {}_C \left( \sum_{i_2=0}^{d_C-1} \langle i_2 | \right) {}_D \left( \sum_{i_3=0}^{d_D-1} \langle i_3 | \right) E |\beta_j \rangle_B |\beta_k \rangle_C |\beta_\ell \rangle_D = \\ & {}_B \left( \sum_{i_1=1}^{d_B-2} \langle i_1 | \right) {}_C \left( \sum_{i_2=1}^{d_C-2} \langle i_2 | \right) {}_D \left( \sum_{i_3=1}^{d_D-2} \langle i_3 | \right) E |\beta_j \rangle_B |\beta_k \rangle_C |\beta_\ell \rangle_D = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

for  $(j, k, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{(0,0,0)\}$ . Moreover, we have

$$\left( \sum_{i_1=1}^{d_B-2} |i_1 \rangle \right)_B \left( \sum_{i_2=1}^{d_C-2} |i_2 \rangle \right)_C \left( \sum_{i_3=1}^{d_D-2} |i_3 \rangle \right)_D = |\beta_0 \rangle_B |\beta_0 \rangle_C |\beta_0 \rangle_D. \quad (22)$$

Therefore, by using the states in  $\{|S\rangle\} \cup \{|\beta_0\rangle_A |\beta_j\rangle_B |\beta_k\rangle_C |\beta_\ell\rangle_D\}_{(j,k,\ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-2} \setminus \{(0,0,0)\}}$ , we obtain

$${}_B \langle \beta_i | {}_C \langle \beta_j | {}_D \langle \beta_k | E | \beta_\ell \rangle_B | \beta_m \rangle_C | \beta_n \rangle_D = 0, \quad \text{for } (i, j, k) \neq (\ell, m, n) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-2}. \quad (23)$$

Then there exists a real number  $e_{r,s,t}$  for  $(r, s, t) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-2}$ , such that

$$E_{\mathcal{F}^{(A)}} = \sum_{r=0}^{d_B-3} \sum_{s=0}^{d_C-3} \sum_{t=0}^{d_D-3} e_{r,s,t} |\beta_r\rangle_B \langle \beta_r| \otimes |\beta_s\rangle_C \langle \beta_s| \otimes |\beta_t\rangle_D \langle \beta_t|. \quad (24)$$

Note that Eq. (24) also holds for  $d_D = 3$ . Next, by using the states in  $\mathcal{A}_1(|\xi_1\rangle_A)$ , we have

$${}_B \langle \eta_i | {}_C \langle 0 | {}_D \langle \xi_j | E | \eta_k \rangle_B | 0 \rangle_C | \xi_\ell \rangle_D = 0, \quad \text{for } (i, j) \neq (k, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1}. \quad (25)$$

Then there exists a real number  $a_{s,t}$  for  $(s, t) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1}$  such that

$$E_{\mathcal{A}_1^{(A)}} = \sum_{s=0}^{d_B-2} \sum_{t=0}^{d_D-2} a_{s,t} |\eta_s\rangle_B \langle \eta_s| \otimes |0\rangle_C \langle 0| \otimes |\xi_t\rangle_D \langle \xi_t|. \quad (26)$$

In the same way, there exist real numbers  $a_{s,t}, b_{s,t}, c_{s,t}, p, e_{r,s,t}, q, g_{s,t}, h_{s,t}, i_{s,t}$  such that the operator

$$\begin{aligned} E = & \sum_{s=0}^{d_B-2} \sum_{t=0}^{d_D-2} a_{s,t} |\eta_s\rangle_B \langle \eta_s| \otimes |0\rangle_C \langle 0| \otimes |\xi_t\rangle_D \langle \xi_t| + \sum_{s=0}^{d_C-2} \sum_{t=0}^{d_D-2} b_{s,t} |d_B-1\rangle_B \langle d_B-1| \otimes |\eta_s\rangle_C \langle \eta_s| \otimes |\eta_t\rangle_D \langle \eta_t| \\ & + \sum_{s=0}^{d_B-2} \sum_{t=0}^{d_C-2} c_{s,t} |\xi_s\rangle_B \langle \xi_s| \otimes |\xi_t\rangle_C \langle \xi_t| \otimes |d_D-1\rangle_D \langle d_D-1| + p |d_B-1\rangle_B \langle d_B-1| \otimes |0\rangle_C \langle 0| \otimes |d_D-1\rangle_D \langle d_D-1| \\ & + \sum_{r=0}^{d_B-3} \sum_{s=0}^{d_C-3} \sum_{t=0}^{d_D-3} e_{r,s,t} |\beta_r\rangle_B \langle \beta_r| \otimes |\beta_s\rangle_C \langle \beta_s| \otimes |\beta_t\rangle_D \langle \beta_t| + q |0\rangle_B \langle 0| \otimes |d_C-1\rangle_C \langle d_C-1| \otimes |0\rangle_D \langle 0| \\ & + \sum_{s=0}^{d_B-2} \sum_{t=0}^{d_C-2} g_{s,t} |\eta_s\rangle_B \langle \eta_s| \otimes |\eta_t\rangle_C \langle \eta_t| \otimes |0\rangle_D \langle 0| + \sum_{s=0}^{d_C-2} \sum_{t=0}^{d_D-2} h_{s,t} |0\rangle_B \langle 0| \otimes |\xi_s\rangle_C \langle \xi_s| \otimes |\xi_t\rangle_D \langle \xi_t| \\ & + \sum_{s=0}^{d_B-2} \sum_{t=0}^{d_D-2} i_{s,t} |\xi_s\rangle_B \langle \xi_s| \otimes |d_C-1\rangle_C \langle d_C-1| \otimes |\eta_t\rangle_D \langle \eta_t|. \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

By using those states  $\{|0\rangle_A |\xi_i\rangle_B |\eta_j\rangle_C |\xi_k\rangle_D\}_{(i,j,k) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{(0,0,0)\}} = \mathcal{B}_5$ , we have

$${}_B \langle \xi_i | {}_C \langle \eta_j | {}_D \langle \xi_k | E | \xi_\ell \rangle_B | \eta_m \rangle_C | \xi_n \rangle_D = 0, \quad \text{for } (i, j, k) \neq (\ell, m, n) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{(0,0,0)\}. \quad (28)$$

There are three cases.

(i) Assume  $i \neq 0, j = 0, k = 0, \ell = 0, m \neq 0, n = 0$ . By Eq. (27), we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = & {}_B \langle \xi_i | {}_C \langle \eta_0 | {}_D \langle \xi_0 | E | \xi_0 \rangle_B | \eta_m \rangle_C | \xi_0 \rangle_D \\ = & (d_D - 1)^2 \sum_{s=0}^{d_B-2} a_{s,0} \langle \xi_i | \eta_s \rangle_B \langle \eta_s | \xi_0 \rangle_B + w_{d_B-1}^i p + w_{d_B-1}^i (d_B - 2)(d_C - 2)(d_D - 2)^2 e_{0,0,0} \\ = & (d_D - 1)^2 w_{d_B-1}^i \left( \sum_{s=0}^{d_B-2} a_{s,0} - (d_B - 1)(a_{0,0} + a_{i,0}) \right) + w_{d_B-1}^i p + w_{d_B-1}^i (d_B - 2)(d_C - 2)(d_D - 2)^2 e_{0,0,0}. \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

That is,

$$(d_D - 1)^2 \left( \sum_{s=0}^{d_B-2} a_{s,0} - (d_B - 1)(a_{0,0} + a_{i,0}) \right) + p + (d_B - 2)(d_C - 2)(d_D - 2)^2 e_{0,0,0} = 0. \quad (30)$$

Since  $i \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \setminus \{0\}$ , we obtain  $a_{1,0} = a_{2,0} = \dots = a_{d_B-2,0}$ . Then Eq. (30) can be expressed by

$$-(d_D - 1)^2 ((d_B - 2)a_{0,0} + a_{1,0}) + p + (d_B - 2)(d_C - 2)(d_D - 2)^2 e_{0,0,0} = 0. \quad (31)$$

Next, by using the states  $|S\rangle$  and  $|0\rangle_A|\xi_1\rangle_B|\eta_1\rangle_C|\xi_0\rangle_D \in \mathcal{B}_5$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= {}_B \left( \sum_{i_1=0}^{d_B-1} \langle i_1| \right) {}_C \left( \sum_{i_2=0}^{d_C-1} \langle i_2| \right) {}_D \left( \sum_{i_3=0}^{d_D-1} \langle i_3| \right) E|\xi_1\rangle_B|\eta_1\rangle_C|\xi_0\rangle_D \\ &= -w_{d_B-1}^{d_B-2}(d_B-1)(d_D-1)^2 a_{0,0} + w_{d_B-1}^{d_B-2}p + w_{d_B-1}^{d_B-2}(d_B-2)(d_C-2)(d_D-2)^2 e_{0,0,0}. \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

That is

$$-(d_B-1)(d_D-1)^2 a_{0,0} + p + (d_B-2)(d_C-2)(d_D-2)^2 e_{0,0,0} = 0. \quad (33)$$

Considering Eqs. (31) and (33), it implies  $a_{0,0} = a_{1,0}$ . It means that  $a_{0,0} = a_{1,0} = \dots = a_{d_B-2,0} = a$ .

Next, we consider  $\{|0\rangle_A|0\rangle_B|0\rangle_C|\xi_i\rangle_D\}_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{0\}} = \mathcal{B}_8$  and  $\{|0\rangle_A|\xi_j\rangle_B|\eta_k\rangle_C|\xi_\ell\rangle_D\}_{(j,k,\ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{(0,0,0)\}} = \mathcal{B}_5$ . Then by the orthogonality-preserving POVM, we have

$${}_B \langle 0| {}_C \langle 0| {}_D \langle \xi_i| E|\xi_j\rangle_B|\eta_k\rangle_C|\xi_\ell\rangle_D = 0, \quad (34)$$

for  $i \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{0\}$  and  $(j, k, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}$ . By Eq. (27), we obtain that

$${}_B \langle 0| {}_C \langle 0| {}_D \langle \xi_i| E|\xi_0\rangle_B|\eta_0\rangle_C|\xi_0\rangle_D = 0, \quad (35)$$

for  $i \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{0\}$  and  $(j, k, \ell) = (0, 0, 0)$ , and

$${}_B \langle 0| {}_C \langle 0| {}_D \langle \xi_0| E|\xi_j\rangle_B|\eta_k\rangle_C|\xi_\ell\rangle_D = 0, \quad (36)$$

for  $(j, k) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1}$  and  $\ell \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{0\}$ . Further, by Eq. (27), we have

$$\begin{aligned} {}_B \langle 0| {}_C \langle 0| {}_D \langle \xi_0| E|\xi_j\rangle_B|\eta_k\rangle_C|\xi_0\rangle_D &= (d_D-1)^2 \sum_{s=0}^{d_B-2} a_{s,0} \langle \eta_s| \xi_j \rangle_B = a(d_D-1)^2 \sum_{s=0}^{d_B-2} \langle \eta_s| \xi_j \rangle_B \\ &= a(d_D-1)^2 \sum_{s=0}^{d_B-2} \sum_{n=1}^{d_B-2} w_{d_B-1}^{j(n-1)-ns} = a(d_D-1)^2 w_{d_B-1}^{-j} \sum_{s=0}^{d_B-2} \sum_{n=1}^{d_B-2} w_{d_B-1}^{n(j-s)} = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

for  $(j, k) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1}$ . Thus by Eqs. (34), (35) (36) and (37), we have

$${}_B \langle 0| {}_C \langle 0| {}_D \langle \xi_i| E|\xi_j\rangle_B|\eta_k\rangle_C|\xi_\ell\rangle_D = 0, \quad (38)$$

for  $i \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1}$  and  $(j, k, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1}$ . Thus, applying Block Zeros Lemma to  $\{|0\rangle_B|0\rangle_C|\xi_i\rangle_D\}_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1}}$  and  $\{|\xi_j\rangle_B|\eta_k\rangle_C|\xi_\ell\rangle_D\}_{(j,k,\ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1}}$ , we obtain that

$$\mathcal{B}_8^{(A)} E_{\mathcal{B}_5^{(A)}} = \mathbf{0}. \quad (39)$$

(ii) Assume  $i \neq 0, j = 0, k = 0, \ell = 0, m = 0, n \neq 0$ . By Eq. (27), we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= {}_B \langle \xi_i| {}_C \langle \eta_0| {}_D \langle \xi_0| E|\xi_0\rangle_B|\eta_0\rangle_C|\xi_n\rangle_D = w_{d_B-1}^i (d_C-1)^2 w_{d_D-1}^{-n} \left( \sum_{t=0}^{d_D-2} b_{0,t} - (d_D-1)(b_{0,0} + b_{0,n}) \right) \\ &\quad + w_{d_B-1}^i w_{d_D-1}^{-n} p + w_{d_B-1}^i w_{d_D-1}^{-n} (d_B-2)(d_C-2)^2 (d_D-2) e_{0,0,0}. \end{aligned} \quad (40)$$

That is,

$$(d_C-1)^2 \left( \sum_{t=0}^{d_D-2} b_{0,t} - (d_D-1)(b_{0,0} + b_{0,n}) \right) + p + (d_B-2)(d_C-2)^2 (d_D-2) e_{0,0,0} = 0. \quad (41)$$

Since  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{0\}$ , we obtain  $b_{0,1} = b_{0,2} = \dots = b_{0,d_D-2}$ . Then Eq. (41) can be expressed by

$$-(d_C-1)^2 ((d_D-2)b_{0,0} + b_{0,1}) + p + (d_B-2)(d_C-2)^2 (d_D-2) e_{0,0,0} = 0. \quad (42)$$

Next, by using the states  $|S\rangle$  and  $|0\rangle_A|\xi_1\rangle_B|\eta_0\rangle_C|\xi_1\rangle_D \in \mathcal{B}_5$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= {}_B \left( \sum_{i_1=0}^{d_B-1} \langle i_1| \right) {}_C \left( \sum_{i_2=0}^{d_C-1} \langle i_2| \right) {}_D \left( \sum_{i_3=0}^{d_D-1} \langle i_3| \right) E|\xi_1\rangle_B|\eta_0\rangle_C|\xi_1\rangle_D \\ &= -w_{d_B-1}^{d_B-2} w_{d_D-1}^{d_D-2} (d_C-1)^2 (d_D-1) b_{0,0} + w_{d_B-1}^{d_B-2} w_{d_D-1}^{d_D-2} p + w_{d_B-1}^{d_B-2} w_{d_D-1}^{d_D-2} (d_B-2) (d_C-2)^2 (d_D-2) e_{0,0,0}. \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

That is

$$-(d_C-1)^2 (d_D-1) b_{0,0} + p + (d_B-2) (d_C-2)^2 (d_D-2) e_{0,0,0} = 0. \quad (44)$$

Considering Eqs. (42) and (44), it implies  $b_{0,0} = b_{0,1}$ . It means that  $b_{0,0} = b_{0,1} = \dots = b_{0,d_D-2} = b$ .

Next, we consider  $\{|0\rangle_A|d_B-1\rangle_B|\eta_i\rangle_C|0\rangle_D\}_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \setminus \{0\}} = \mathcal{B}_7$  and  $\{|0\rangle_A|\xi_j\rangle_B|\eta_k\rangle_C|\xi_\ell\rangle_D\}_{(j,k,\ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{(0,0,0)\}} = \mathcal{B}_5$ . For the same discussion as Eqs. (34), (35) (36) and (37), we obtain that

$${}_B \langle d_B-1| {}_C \langle \eta_i| {}_D \langle 0| E|\xi_j\rangle_B|\eta_k\rangle_C|\xi_\ell\rangle_D = 0, \quad (45)$$

for  $i \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1}$  and  $(j, k, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1}$ . Applying Block Zeros Lemma to  $\{|d_B-1\rangle_B|\eta_i\rangle_C|0\rangle_D\}_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1}}$  and  $\{|\xi_j\rangle_B|\eta_k\rangle_C|\xi_\ell\rangle_D\}_{(j,k,\ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1}}$ , we obtain that

$${}_{\mathcal{B}_7^{(A)}} E_{\mathcal{B}_5^{(A)}} = \mathbf{0}. \quad (46)$$

(iii) Assume  $i = 0, j = 0, k \neq 0, \ell = 0, m \neq 0, n = 0$ . By Eq. (27), we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= {}_B \langle \xi_0| {}_C \langle \eta_0| {}_D \langle \xi_k| E|\xi_0\rangle_B|\eta_m\rangle_C|\xi_0\rangle_D = w_{d_D-1}^k (d_B-1)^2 \left( \sum_{t=0}^{d_C-2} c_{0,t} - (d_C-1)(c_{0,0} + c_{0,m}) \right) \\ &\quad + w_{d_D-1}^k p + w_{d_D-1}^k (d_B-2)^2 (d_C-2) (d_D-2) e_{0,0,0}. \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

That is,

$$(d_B-1)^2 \left( \sum_{t=0}^{d_C-2} c_{0,t} - (d_C-1)(c_{0,0} + c_{0,m}) \right) + p + (d_B-2)^2 (d_C-2) (d_D-2) e_{0,0,0} = 0. \quad (48)$$

Since  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \setminus \{0\}$ , we obtain  $c_{0,1} = c_{0,2} = \dots = c_{0,d_C-2}$ . Then Eq. (48) can be expressed as

$$-(d_B-1)^2 ((d_C-2)c_{0,0} + c_{0,1}) + p + (d_B-2)^2 (d_C-2) (d_D-2) e_{0,0,0} = 0. \quad (49)$$

Next, by using the states  $|S\rangle$  and  $|0\rangle_A|\xi_0\rangle_B|\eta_1\rangle_C|\xi_1\rangle_D \in \mathcal{B}_5$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= {}_B \left( \sum_{i_1=0}^{d_B-1} \langle i_1| \right) {}_C \left( \sum_{i_2=0}^{d_C-1} \langle i_2| \right) {}_D \left( \sum_{i_3=0}^{d_D-1} \langle i_3| \right) E|\xi_0\rangle_B|\eta_1\rangle_C|\xi_1\rangle_D \\ &= -w_{d_D-1}^{d_D-2} (d_B-1)^2 (d_C-1) c_{0,0} + w_{d_D-1}^{d_D-2} p + w_{d_D-1}^{d_D-2} (d_B-2)^2 (d_C-2) (d_D-2) e_{0,0,0}. \end{aligned} \quad (50)$$

That is

$$-(d_B-1)^2 (d_C-1) c_{0,0} + p + (d_B-2)^2 (d_C-2) (d_D-2) e_{0,0,0} = 0. \quad (51)$$

Considering Eqs. (49) and (51), it implies  $c_{0,0} = c_{0,1}$ . It means that  $c_{0,0} = c_{0,1} = \dots = c_{0,d_D-2} = c$ .

Next, we consider  $\{|0\rangle_A|\xi_i\rangle_B|d_C-1\rangle_C|d_D-1\rangle_D\}_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \setminus \{0\}} = \mathcal{B}_6$  and  $\{|0\rangle_A|\xi_j\rangle_B|\eta_k\rangle_C|\xi_\ell\rangle_D\}_{(j,k,\ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{(0,0,0)\}} = \mathcal{B}_5$ . For the same discussion as Eqs. (34), (35) (36) and (37), we obtain that

$${}_B \langle \xi_i| {}_C \langle d_C-1| {}_D \langle d_D-1| E|\xi_j\rangle_B|\eta_k\rangle_C|\xi_\ell\rangle_D = 0, \quad (52)$$

for  $i \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1}$  and  $(j, k, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1}$ . Applying Block Zeros Lemma to  $\{|\xi_i\rangle_B|d_C-1\rangle_C|d_D-1\rangle_D\}_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1}}$  and  $\{|\xi_j\rangle_B|\eta_k\rangle_C|\xi_\ell\rangle_D\}_{(j,k,\ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1}}$ , then we obtain that

$${}_{\mathcal{B}_6^{(A)}} E_{\mathcal{B}_5^{(A)}} = \mathbf{0}. \quad (53)$$

**Step 3** Considering  $|S\rangle$  and  $\{|0\rangle_A |\xi_j\rangle_B |\eta_k\rangle_C |\xi_\ell\rangle_D\}_{(j,k,\ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{(0,0,0)\}} = \mathcal{B}_5$ . By using Eqs. (20), (39), (46) and (53), we have the following equality

$$\begin{aligned} & {}_B \left\langle \sum_{i_1=0}^{d_B-1} \langle i_1| \right\rangle_C \left\langle \sum_{i_2=0}^{d_C-1} \langle i_2| \right\rangle_D \left\langle \sum_{i_3=0}^{d_D-1} \langle i_3| \right\rangle E |\xi_j\rangle_B |\eta_k\rangle_C |\xi_\ell\rangle_D \\ &= {}_B \left\langle \sum_{i_1=1}^{d_B-1} \langle i_1| \right\rangle_C \left\langle \sum_{i_2=0}^{d_C-2} \langle i_2| \right\rangle_D \left\langle \sum_{i_3=1}^{d_D-1} \langle i_3| \right\rangle E |\xi_j\rangle_B |\eta_k\rangle_C |\xi_\ell\rangle_D = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (54)$$

Moreover, we have

$$\left\langle \sum_{i_1=1}^{d_B-1} |i_1\rangle \right\rangle_B \left\langle \sum_{i_2=0}^{d_C-2} |i_2\rangle \right\rangle_C \left\langle \sum_{i_3=1}^{d_D-1} |i_3\rangle \right\rangle_D = |\xi_0\rangle_B |\eta_0\rangle_C |\xi_0\rangle_D. \quad (55)$$

Therefore, by using the states  $\{|S\rangle\} \cup \{|0\rangle_A |\xi_j\rangle_B |\eta_k\rangle_C |\xi_\ell\rangle_D\}_{(j,k,\ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1} \setminus \{(0,0,0)\}}$ , we have

$${}_B \langle \xi_i | {}_C \langle \eta_j | {}_D \langle \xi_k | E |\xi_\ell\rangle_B |\eta_m\rangle_C |\xi_n\rangle_D = 0, \quad \text{for } (i, j, k) \neq (\ell, m, n) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1}. \quad (56)$$

By Eq. (20), we know that  $\mathcal{A}_4^{(A)} E_{\mathcal{B}_5^{(A)} \setminus \mathcal{A}_4^{(A)}} = \mathbf{0}$ , where  $\mathcal{A}_4^{(A)} = \{|d_B-1\rangle_B |0\rangle_C |d_D-1\rangle_D\}$ ,  $\mathcal{A}_4^{(A)} \subset \mathcal{B}_5^{(A)}$ . Applying Block Trivial Lemma to  $\{|\xi_j\rangle_B |\eta_k\rangle_C |\xi_\ell\rangle_D\}_{(j,k,\ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{d_B-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_C-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{d_D-1}}$ , we have

$$E_{\mathcal{B}_5^{(A)}} = k \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{B}_5^{(A)}}. \quad (57)$$

Next, for any  $|j\rangle_B |k\rangle_C |\ell\rangle_D \in \mathcal{A}_i^{(A)} \cap \mathcal{B}_5^{(A)}$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , we have  $\{|j\rangle_B |k\rangle_C |\ell\rangle_D\} E_{\mathcal{A}_i^{(A)} \setminus \{|j\rangle_B |k\rangle_C |\ell\rangle_D\}} = \mathbf{0}$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3$  by Eqs. (39), (46), (53) and (57). Applying Block Trivial Lemma to  $\mathcal{A}_i^{(A)}$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , we have

$$E_{\mathcal{A}_i^{(A)}} = k_i \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{A}_i^{(A)}}. \quad (58)$$

Since  $\mathcal{A}_i^{(A)} \cap \mathcal{B}_5^{(A)} \neq \emptyset$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , it implies that  $k_i = k$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3$ . Thus by Eqs. (57) and (58), we have

$$E_{\{\cup_{i=1}^3 \mathcal{A}_i^{(A)}\} \cup \mathcal{B}_5^{(A)}} = k \mathbb{I}_{\{\cup_{i=1}^3 \mathcal{A}_i^{(A)}\} \cup \mathcal{B}_5^{(A)}}. \quad (59)$$

By the symmetry of Fig. 1, we can obtain that  $E = k \mathbb{I}$ . Thus  $E$  is trivial. Further, since the 17 subsets  $\cup_{i=1}^8 \{\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i\} \cup \{\mathcal{F}\}$  in any bipartition of  $\{A|BCD, D|ABC, C|DAB, B|CDA\}$  correspond to a similar grid as Fig. 1, it implies that any of the party  $\{BCD, ABC, DAB, CDA\}$  can only perform a trivial orthogonality-preserving POVM. This completes the proof.  $\square$

Note that the states in  $\mathcal{A}_i$  or  $\mathcal{B}_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, 8$ ) in Eq. (1) are defined by the outermost layer of a  $d_A \times d_B \times d_C \times d_D$  hypercube, and the states in  $\mathcal{F}$  are just defined by all inner cells. By observing this, we can construct more strongly nonlocal UPBs in  $d_A \otimes d_B \otimes d_C \otimes d_D$  by continuing decompose  $\mathcal{F}$  in Fig. 1 by the similar tiling method. Suppose we are on the  $n$ -th layer from outside to inside,  $0 \leq n \leq \lfloor \frac{d_A-3}{2} \rfloor$ . Let  $X_n := d_X - 2n$  for  $X \in \{A, B, C\}$ . Then we can



define the following states,

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{A}_1^{(n)} &:= \{|\xi_i^{(n)}\rangle_A |\eta_j^{(n)}\rangle_B |n\rangle_C |\xi_\ell^{(n)}\rangle_D : (i, j, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{A_{n-1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{B_{n-1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{D_{n-1}} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}\}, \\
\mathcal{A}_2^{(n)} &:= \{|\xi_i^{(n)}\rangle_A |d_B - 1 - n\rangle_B |\eta_k^{(n)}\rangle_C |\eta_\ell^{(n)}\rangle_D : \\
&\quad (i, k, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{A_{n-1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{C_{n-1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{D_{n-1}} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}\}, \\
\mathcal{A}_3^{(n)} &:= \{|\xi_i^{(n)}\rangle_A |\xi_j^{(n)}\rangle_B |\xi_k^{(n)}\rangle_C |d_C - 1 - n\rangle_D : \\
&\quad (i, j, k) \in \mathbb{Z}_{A_{n-1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{B_{n-1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{C_{n-1}} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}\}, \\
\mathcal{A}_4^{(n)} &:= \{|\xi_i^{(n)}\rangle_A |d_B - 1 - n\rangle_B |n\rangle_C |d_D - 1 - n\rangle_D : i \in \mathbb{Z}_{A_{n-1}} \setminus \{0\}\}, \\
\mathcal{A}_5^{(n)} &:= \{|d_A - 1 - n\rangle_A |\eta_j^{(n)}\rangle_B |\xi_k^{(n)}\rangle_C |\eta_\ell^{(n)}\rangle_D : \\
&\quad (j, k, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{B_{n-1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{C_{n-1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{D_{n-1}} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}\}, \\
\mathcal{A}_6^{(n)} &:= \{|d_A - 1 - n\rangle_A |\eta_j^{(n)}\rangle_B |n\rangle_C |n\rangle_D : j \in \mathbb{Z}_{B_{n-1}} \setminus \{0\}\}, \\
\mathcal{A}_7^{(n)} &:= \{|d_A - 1 - n\rangle_A |n\rangle_B |\xi_k^{(n)}\rangle_C |d_D - 1 - n\rangle_D : k \in \mathbb{Z}_{C_{n-1}} \setminus \{0\}\}, \\
\mathcal{A}_8^{(n)} &:= \{|d_A - 1 - n\rangle_A |d_B - 1 - n\rangle_B |d_C - 1 - n\rangle_C |\eta_\ell^{(n)}\rangle_D : \ell \in \mathbb{Z}_{D_{n-1}} \setminus \{0\}\}, \\
\mathcal{B}_1^{(n)} &:= \{|\eta_i^{(n)}\rangle_A |\xi_j^{(n)}\rangle_B |d_C - 1 - n\rangle_C |\eta_\ell^{(n)}\rangle_D : \\
&\quad (i, j, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{A_{n-1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{B_{n-1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{D_{n-1}} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}\}, \\
\mathcal{B}_2^{(n)} &:= \{|\eta_i^{(n)}\rangle_A |n\rangle_B |\xi_k^{(n)}\rangle_C |\xi_\ell^{(n)}\rangle_D : (i, k, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{A_{n-1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{C_{n-1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{D_{n-1}} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}\}, \\
\mathcal{B}_3^{(n)} &:= \{|\eta_i^{(n)}\rangle_A |\eta_j^{(n)}\rangle_B |\eta_k^{(n)}\rangle_C |0\rangle_D : (i, j, k) \in \mathbb{Z}_{A_{n-1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{B_{n-1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{C_{n-1}} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}\}, \\
\mathcal{B}_4^{(n)} &:= \{|\eta_i^{(n)}\rangle_A |n\rangle_B |d_C - 1 - n\rangle_C |n\rangle_D : i \in \mathbb{Z}_{A_{n-1}} \setminus \{0\}\}, \\
\mathcal{B}_5^{(n)} &:= \{|n\rangle_A |\xi_j^{(n)}\rangle_B |\eta_k^{(n)}\rangle_C |\xi_\ell^{(n)}\rangle_D : (j, k, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{B_{n-1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{C_{n-1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{D_{n-1}} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}\}, \\
\mathcal{B}_6^{(n)} &:= \{|n\rangle_A |\xi_j^{(n)}\rangle_B |d_C - 1 - n\rangle_C |d_D - 1 - n\rangle_D : j \in \mathbb{Z}_{B_{n-1}} \setminus \{0\}\}, \\
\mathcal{B}_7^{(n)} &:= \{|n\rangle_A |d_B - 1 - n\rangle_B |\eta_k^{(n)}\rangle_C |n\rangle_D : k \in \mathbb{Z}_{C_{n-1}} \setminus \{0\}\}, \\
\mathcal{B}_8^{(n)} &:= \{|n\rangle_A |n\rangle_B |n\rangle_C |\xi_\ell^{(n)}\rangle_D : \ell \in \mathbb{Z}_{D_{n-1}} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}\},
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{F}^{(n)} &:= \{|\beta_i^{(n)}\rangle_A |\beta_j^{(n)}\rangle_B |\beta_k^{(n)}\rangle_C |\beta_\ell^{(n)}\rangle_D : \\
&\quad (i, j, k, \ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{A_{n-2}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{B_{n-2}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{C_{n-2}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{D_{n-2}} \setminus \{(0, 0, 0, 0)\}\}, \\
|S\rangle &:= \left( \sum_{i=0}^{d_A-1} |i\rangle \right)_A \left( \sum_{j=0}^{d_B-1} |j\rangle \right)_B \left( \sum_{k=0}^{d_C-1} |k\rangle \right)_C \left( \sum_{\ell=0}^{d_D-1} |\ell\rangle \right)_D,
\end{aligned} \tag{60}$$

where  $|\eta_s^{(n)}\rangle_X = \sum_{t=n}^{X_n+n-2} w_{X_{n-1}}^{s(t-n)} |t\rangle_X$ , and  $|\xi_s^{(n)}\rangle_X = \sum_{t=n}^{X_n+n-2} w_{X_{n-1}}^{s(t-n)} |t+1\rangle_X$ , for  $s \in \mathbb{Z}_{X_{n-1}}$ , and  $X \in \{A, B, C, D\}$ ,  $|\beta_s^{(n)}\rangle_X = \sum_{t=n}^{X_n+n-3} w_{X_{n-2}}^{s(t-n)} |t+1\rangle_X$  for  $s \in \mathbb{Z}_{X_{n-2}}$ , and  $X \in \{A, B, C, D\}$ .

Note that  $\{|\eta_s^{(n)}\rangle_X\}_{s \in \mathbb{Z}_{X_{n-1}}}$ ,  $\{|\xi_s^{(n)}\rangle_X\}_{s \in \mathbb{Z}_{X_{n-1}}}$ , and  $\{|\beta_s^{(n)}\rangle_X\}_{s \in \mathbb{Z}_{X_{n-2}}}$  are three orthogonal sets,  $X \in \{A, B, C\}$ , which are spanned by  $\{|t\rangle_X\}_{t=n}^{X_n+n-2}$ ,  $\{|t\rangle_X\}_{t=n+1}^{X_n+n-1}$ , and  $\{|t\rangle_X\}_{t=n+1}^{X_n+n-2}$ , respectively. This extends the definition of states for Eq. (1) from  $n = 0$  to general  $n$ . Now, we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 3** In  $d_A \otimes d_B \otimes d_C \otimes d_D$ ,  $3 \leq d_A \leq d_B \leq d_C \leq d_D$ , for any  $0 \leq n \leq \lfloor \frac{d_A-3}{2} \rfloor$ ,

$$\mathcal{U}_n := \cup_{t=0}^n (\cup_{i=1}^8 (\mathcal{A}_i^{(t)} \cup \mathcal{B}_i^{(t)})) \cup \mathcal{F}^{(n)} \cup \{|S\rangle\} \tag{61}$$

given by Eq. (60) is a strongly nonlocal UPB of size  $d_A d_B d_C - 16(n+1)$ .

Theorem 3 can be easily obtained by induction on  $t$  along with Proposition 1 and Proposition 2.