# Classical Applications of Quantum Information Theory 

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- Based on forthcoming survey with Andy Drucker


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