Quantum probability theory and the arrow of time

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The nature of (macroscopic) events and decoherence in quantum probability theory is believed to be closely related to the arrow of time and incomplete information about the past [1]. Contrary to this quantum arrow of time in quantum probability theory a quantum and classical arrow of time arises from coarse graining time evolution operators while also restricting them to a subset of states of vanishing measure [2]. The resulting coarse grained time evolution operators are convolution operators forming a semigroup. The infinitesimal generator of the resulting semigroup has applications to experiment [3].

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