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# Outline

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Nice slide to draw the connection between the games an LC

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No matter which probabilistic strategy there is a deterministic one which is at least as good as the one one chooses

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$$LC_{m,n} \supset \text{conv}\{\xi\eta^T \mid \xi \in \{-1, 1\}^m, \eta \in \{-1, 1\}^n\}$$

$$\xi\eta^T \in LC_{m,n} \text{ for all } \xi \in \{-1, 1\}^m, \eta \in \{-1, 1\}^n$$

(Choose  $X_i \equiv \xi_i$ ,  $Y_j \equiv \eta_j$ )

Suffices to show that  $LC_{m,n}$  is convex.

$$\text{Let } a_{ij}^{(k)} = \mathbb{E}[X_i^{(k)} Y_j^{(k)}] \text{ for } k \in \{0, 1\}$$

Find  $(X_i), (Y_j)$  with  $|X_i|, |Y_j| \leq 1$  almost surely such that

$$\beta a_{ij}^{(0)} + (1 - \beta) a_{ij}^{(1)} = \mathbb{E}[X_i Y_j]$$

for  $\beta \in [0, 1]$

Define a Bernoulli random variable  $\alpha$  such that  $\mathbb{P}(\alpha = 0) = \beta$ ,  $\mathbb{P}(\alpha = 1) = 1 - \beta$  and set  $X_i = X_i^{(\alpha)}$ ,  $Y_j = Y_j^{(\alpha)}$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[X_i Y_j] &= \mathbb{E}[X_i^{(\alpha)} Y_j^{(\alpha)} \mathbb{1}_{\{\alpha=0\}}] + \mathbb{E}[X_i^{(\alpha)} Y_j^{(\alpha)} \mathbb{1}_{\{\alpha=1\}}] \\ &= \beta \mathbb{E}[X_i^{(0)} Y_j^{(0)}] + (1 - \beta) \mathbb{E}[X_i^{(1)} Y_j^{(1)}] \end{aligned}$$

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Let  $a_{ij} = \mathbb{E}[X_i Y_j]$  for  $\mathbb{R}$ -valued random variables  $(X_i), (Y_j)$  defined on a common probability space  $\Omega$  with  $|X_i|, |Y_j| \leq 1$  almost surely.

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Set  $X = (X_1, \dots, X_m)$  and  $Y = (Y_1, \dots, Y_n)$ , then  $X \in [-1, 1]^m$ ,  $Y \in [-1, 1]^n$  almost surely.

Hypercube description by its vertices:

$$[-1, 1]^d = \text{conv}\{\xi \mid \xi \in \{-1, 1\}^d\}$$

Define random variables  $\lambda_\xi^{(X)} : \Omega^m \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that

$$X(\omega) = \sum_{\xi \in \{-1, 1\}^m} \lambda_\xi^{(X)}(\omega) \xi$$

almost surely and  $\sum_{\xi \in \{-1, 1\}^m} \lambda_\xi^{(X)}(\omega) = 1$

Using the same decomposition for  $Y$  we obtain

$$a_{ij} = \mathbb{E}[X_i Y_j] = \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\sum_{\xi} \lambda_\xi^{(X)} \xi_i\right) \left(\sum_{\eta} \lambda_\eta^{(Y)} \eta_j\right)\right]$$



Some nice frame to connect QCs to the games

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Set of all quantum correlation matrices denoted by  $\text{QC}_{m,n}$

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$a_{ij} = \text{Tr } \rho X_i \otimes Y_j$ , state  $\rho$  on a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{C}^{d_1} \otimes \mathbb{C}^{d_2}$  and Hermitian operators  $(X_i)_{1 \leq i \leq m}$ ,  $(Y_j)_{1 \leq j \leq n}$  on  $\mathbb{C}^{d_1}$ , respectively  $\mathbb{C}^{d_2}$  satisfying  $\|X_i\|_\infty, \|Y_j\|_\infty \leq 1$

Define a positive semidefinite symmetric bilinear form on the space of Hermitian operators on  $\mathcal{H}$  by  $\beta : \mathcal{H} \times \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  where  $\beta(S, T) = \text{Re}(\text{Tr } \rho ST)$ .

perhaps verification of at least some of these properties

Obtain an inner product space  $U := B^{sa}(\mathcal{H}) / \ker \beta$  equipped with the inner product

$$\tilde{\beta}([S], [T]) = \beta(S, T).$$

Identify  $X_i \otimes I, I \otimes Y_j$  with vectors  $x_i, y_j$  in  $U$ , then

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$$\beta(X \otimes I, X \otimes I), \beta(I \otimes Y, I \otimes Y) \leq 1$$

(this can be shown by using a *Schmidt-decomposition* of  $\rho$  and using  $\|X_i\|_\infty, \|Y_j\|_\infty \leq 1$ )

Project the  $y_j$ 's orthogonally onto  $\text{span}\{x_1, \dots, x_m\}$  (wlog  $m \leq n$ )

$\pi(y_j)$  the projection of  $y_j$  then  $\tilde{\beta}(x_i, \pi(y_j)) = \tilde{\beta}(x_i, y_j)$

Let  $\{a_1, \dots, a_r\}$  be an orthonormal basis of  $\text{span}\{x_1, \dots, x_m\}$  with respect to  $\beta$  and  $x_i = \sum_{k=1}^r \alpha_k^{(i)} a_k$  and  $\pi(y_j) = \sum_{k=1}^r \gamma_k^{(j)} a_k$  for  $\alpha^{(i)}, \gamma^{(j)} \in \mathbb{R}^r$

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$$|\alpha^{(i)}|, |\gamma^{(j)}| \leq 1 \text{ due to } \tilde{\beta}(x_i), \tilde{\beta}(y_j) \leq 1$$

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## Proposition

For all  $n \geq 1$  there is a subspace of the  $2^n \times 2^n$  Hermitian matrices where every vector is the multiple of a unitary matrix.

The proof is based on  $n$ -fold tensor products of the Pauli matrices which are the three matrices

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, Y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, Z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



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## Proof.

Define

$$U_i = I^{\otimes(i-1)} \otimes X \otimes Y^{\otimes(n-i)},$$

$$U_{n+i} = I^{\otimes(i-1)} \otimes Z \otimes Y^{\otimes(n-i)}, i = 1, \dots, n$$

$U_i$ 's are anti-commuting traceless Hermitian unitaries, i.e.

$$U_i U_j = -U_j U_i \text{ for } i \neq j \text{ and } U_i^2 = I$$

For  $X = \sum_{i=1}^{2n} \xi_i U_i$ ,  $Y = \sum_{i=1}^{2n} \eta_i U_i$  we can calculate

$$XY = \sum_{i=1}^{2n} \xi_i \eta_i I + \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq 2n} \xi_i \eta_j U_i U_j = \sum_{i=1}^{2n} \xi_i \eta_i I + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 2n} \xi_i \eta_j U_i U_j -$$

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Proof.

Let  $(x_i)_{1 \leq i \leq m}, (y_j)_{1 \leq j \leq n} \subset \mathbb{R}^{\min\{m,n\}}$  such that  $|x_i|, |y_j| \leq 1$ .

Let  $X_i = \sum_{k=1}^{\min\{m,n\}} x_i(k) U_i$  and  $Y_j^T = \sum_{k=1}^{\min\{m,n\}} y_j(k) U_k$  where the  $U_i$ 's are  $d \times d$  matrices with  $d = 2^{\lceil \min\{m,n\}/2 \rceil}$

$\text{Tr}(X_i Y_j^T) = d \cdot \langle x_i, y_j \rangle$  and  $\|X_i\|_\infty \leq 1$  since  $X_i X_i^* = |x_i|^2 I$  and  $|x_i|^2 \leq 1$  (the same holds for  $Y_j$ )

Let  $|\phi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{i=1}^d |ii\rangle$  and  $\rho = |\phi\rangle \langle \phi|$ . Note that we can write  $\rho$  as

$$\rho = |\phi\rangle \langle \phi| = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{1 \leq k, l \leq d} |kk\rangle \langle ll| = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{1 \leq k, l \leq d} |k\rangle \langle l| \otimes |k\rangle \langle l|$$

Then

$$\text{Tr}(\rho X_i \otimes Y_j) = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{1 \leq k, l \leq d} \text{Tr}(|k\rangle \langle l| X_i \otimes |k\rangle \langle l| Y_j) = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{1 \leq k, l \leq d} \text{Tr}(|k\rangle \langle l| X_i) \text{Tr}(|k\rangle \langle l| Y_j)$$

$QC_{m,n}$  convex

$a_{ij} = \langle x_i, y_j \rangle$  and  $\bar{a}_{ij} = \langle \bar{x}_i, \bar{y}_j \rangle$  for  $x_i, y_j, \bar{x}_i, \bar{y}_j \in \mathbb{R}^{\min\{m,n\}}$  such that  $|x_i|, |y_j|, |\bar{x}_i|, |\bar{y}_j| \leq 1$ .

define vectors  $\tilde{x}_i := (\sqrt{\lambda}x_i, \sqrt{1-\lambda}\bar{x}_i)$ ,  $\tilde{y}_j := (\sqrt{\lambda}y_j, \sqrt{1-\lambda}\bar{y}_j)$  for  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$

it holds  $|\tilde{x}_i| \leq \lambda|(x_i, 0)| + (1-\lambda)|(0, \bar{x}_i)| \leq 1$  and  
 $\langle \tilde{x}_i, \tilde{y}_j \rangle = \lambda\langle x_i, y_j \rangle + (1-\lambda)\langle \bar{x}_i, \bar{y}_j \rangle$ .

Right dimension is obtained by projecting on  $\text{span}\{x_1, \dots, x_m\}$  or  $\text{span}\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$ , as in the proof before.

$$\text{LC}_{m,n} \subset \text{QC}_{m,n}$$

Set  $x_i = \xi_i |0\rangle$  and  $y_j = \eta_j |0\rangle$  it immediately follows  $\xi_i \eta_j = \langle x_i, y_j \rangle$ .  
Hence,  $\xi \eta^T \in \text{QC}_{m,n}$  (rest follows with the convexity of  $\text{QC}_{m,n}$ )

Inclusion is strict in general

Let us consider the case  $n = m = 2$ .

$$\text{LC}_{2,2} = \text{conv}\left\{\pm \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \pm \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \pm \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \pm \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}\right\}.$$

### Claim

$$\text{LC}_{2,2} = \{A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2} \mid -1 \leq \text{Tr } AM \leq 1 \text{ for all } M \in \mathcal{K}\}, \quad (3)$$

where  $\mathcal{K} = \{\frac{1}{2}\sigma(\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}), \sigma(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}) \mid \sigma \in \{\text{id}(1\ 2), (1\ 3), (1\ 4)\}\}$ .

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$\text{LC}_{2,2}$  affinely isomorphic to the cross polytope scaled by 2, i.e.

$$\text{LC}_{2,2} \cong 2CP_4 := \text{conv}\{\pm e_i \mid i = 1, \dots, 4\}$$

$$(CP_n)^o = [-1, 1]^n$$

Both points implies that the face lattice of  $\text{LC}_{2,2}$  is isomorphic to the opposite lattice of  $[-1, 1]^4$

$\text{LC}_{2,2}$  has as many facets as  $[-1, 1]^4$  vertices, hence  $2^4$

Equation 4 is a non-redundant hyperplane description of  $\text{LC}_{2,2}$ , all linear constraints define facets.

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\max\{\text{Tr}(AM) \mid A \in \text{LC}_{2,2}\} = 2$$

$A \in \text{QC}_{2,2}$  we obtain, by Cauchy-Schwarz and  $|y_i| \leq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tr}(AM) &= \langle x_1, y_1 \rangle + \langle x_1, y_2 \rangle + \langle x_2, y_1 \rangle - \langle x_2, y_2 \rangle \\ &= \langle x_1 + x_2, y_1 \rangle + \langle x_1 - x_2, y_2 \rangle \leq |x_1 + x_2||y_1| + |x_1 - x_2||y_2| \\ &\leq |x_1 + x_2| + |x_1 - x_2|. \end{aligned}$$

$$(|x_1 + x_2| + |x_1 - x_2|)^2 \leq 4(|x_1|^2 + |x_2|^2)$$

$$\text{Tr}(AM) \leq |x_1 + x_2| + |x_1 - x_2| \leq 2\sqrt{|x_1|^2 + |x_2|^2} \leq 2\sqrt{2}.$$

Bound is achieved by  $A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , induced by the vectors

$$x_1 = x_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1, 1) \text{ and } y_1 = y_2 = (1, 0)$$