

# Nonlocal games and the Grothendieck-Tsirelson inequality

Introduction to quantum information theory

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- It may consist of subsystems  $X_1, \dots, X_N$  each of which is associated with a copy of  $\mathbb{C}^{n_i}$ . In this case  $k = n_1 \dots n_N$

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- The outcome of a measurement is a random variable  $\chi$  with probability distribution:  $\mathbb{P}[\chi = a] = \text{Tr}(\rho F^a)$
- A projective measurement is defined by psd matrices that satisfy  $F^a F^b = \delta_{ab} F^a \forall a, b \in \mathcal{A}$

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- if we consider projective measurements we have

$$(F^+ - F^-)^2 = \underbrace{F^{+2}}_{=F^+} - \underbrace{F^+ F^-}_{\delta_{+-}=0} + \underbrace{F^{-2}}_{F^-} = F^+ + F^- = I$$

- i.e. a  $\{-1, 1\}$ -valued observable is both unitary and Hermitian

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The joint probability distribution of the  $N$  measurement outcomes  $\chi_1, \dots, \chi_N$  is

$$\mathbb{P}[\chi_1 = a_1, \chi_2 = a_2, \dots, \chi_N = a_N] = \text{Tr}(\rho F_1^{a_1} \otimes \dots \otimes F_N^{a_N})$$

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## Calculation

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Tr}(|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|F^a \otimes G^b) &= \langle\psi|F^a \otimes G^b|\psi\rangle \\ &= (\langle\psi_A| \otimes \langle\psi_B|)(F^a \otimes G^b)(|\psi_A\rangle \otimes |\psi_B\rangle) \\ &= ((\langle\psi_A|F^a) \otimes (\langle\psi_B|G^b))(|\psi_A\rangle \otimes |\psi_B\rangle) \\ &= \langle\psi_A|F^a|\psi_A\rangle \otimes \langle\psi_B|G^b|\psi_B\rangle \\ &= \langle\psi_A|F^a|\psi_A\rangle\langle\psi_B|G^b|\psi_B\rangle\end{aligned}$$

This is equal to the product of the probabilities of Alice measuring  $a$  and Bob measuring  $b$ , i.e. the outcome do not correlate.

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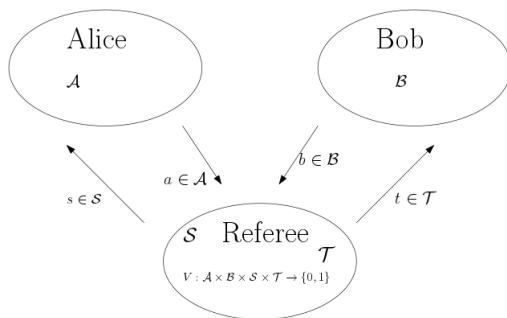
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Define the sign matrix  $\Sigma_{s,t} = (-1)^{f(s,t)}$  and functions  $\chi(s) = (-1)^{a(s)}$  and  $\psi(t) = (-1)^{b(t)}$ . The expected value becomes

$$\mathbb{E}_{(s,t) \sim \pi} [\chi(s) \psi(t) \Sigma_{st}]$$

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When using classical strategies this is

$$\max\{\mathbb{E}_{(s,t)\sim\pi} [\sum_{st}\chi(s)\psi(t)] : \chi : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \{-1,1\}, \\ \psi : \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \{-1,1\}\}$$

# Entangled strategies

When using entangled strategies the winning probability might increase indefinitely with the dimensions, so we use the  $\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$

$$\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \{ \mathbb{E}_{(s,t) \sim \pi} [\sum_{st} \langle \psi | F_s \otimes G_t | \psi \rangle] : |\psi\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^n \otimes \mathbb{C}^n, \\ F_s, G_t \in O(\mathbb{C}^n) \}$$

# The CHSH game

- The CHSH game (Clauser, Horner, Shimony, Holt) is a two player XOR game with  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{B} = \mathcal{S} = \mathcal{T} = \{0, 1\}$  and  $\pi$  being the uniform distribution
- $f(s, t) = s \wedge t$ , i.e.  $f(1, 1) = 1$  and  $f(0, 0) = f(0, 1) = f(1, 0) = 0$
- Alice and Bob can win  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the games by using deterministic strategies  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(1, 0)$  or  $(0, 1)$

# Quantum strategy

- Let Alice and Bob share an EPR state
- Define

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, Y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- $XY + YX = 0$  and  $X^2 = Y^2 = I$
- For Alice define the observable for question 0 by  $F_0 = X$  and for question 1 by  $F_1 = Y$
- Bobs observables are going to be  $G_0 = (X - Y)/\sqrt{2}$  for question 0 and  $G_1 = (X + Y)/\sqrt{2}$  for question 1

The following auxiliary calculations will be helpful later:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \text{EPR} | X \otimes X | \text{EPR} \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{2}{2} = 1\end{aligned}$$

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Thus, we have

$$\langle \text{EPR} | F_s \otimes G_t | \text{EPR} \rangle = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, & (0, 0), (1, 0), (0, 1) \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, & (1, 1) \end{cases}$$

which is equivalent to

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The bias is  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  from which follows that the winning probability is by definition:

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \cos(\pi/8) \approx 0.85 \dots$$

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- They perform measurements  $\{F_s^\xi\}_{\xi=\pm 1}$ , respectively  $\{G_t^\eta\}_{\eta=\pm 1}$
- The probability that their response is  $(\xi, \eta)$  for inputs  $(i, j)$  is given by  $a_{ij} = \text{Tr}(\rho F_s^\xi \otimes G_t^\eta)$
- Again we can encode this information in a matrix

Motivation Locality

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

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## Proof.

- Define

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

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

- $U_i$ 's are anti-commuting traceless Hermitian unitaries, i.e.  $U_i U_j = -U_j U_i$  for  $i \neq j$  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

$$\begin{aligned} XY &= \sum_{i=1}^{2n} \xi_i \eta_i I + \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq 2n} \xi_i \eta_j U_i U_j \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{2n} \xi_i \eta_i I + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 2n} \xi_i \eta_j U_i U_j - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 2n} U_i U_j = \sum_{i=1}^{2n} \xi_i \eta_i I \\ &= \langle \xi, \eta \rangle I. \end{aligned}$$

- The result follows by setting  $X = Y$ .

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- Right dimension is obtained by projecting  $(\tilde{x}_i)_{1 \leq i \leq m}$ ,  $(\tilde{y}_j)_{1 \leq j \leq n}$  on  $\text{span}\{x_1, \dots, x_m\}$  or  $\text{span}\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$ , as in the proof before.

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- 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,  $\xi \eta^T \in QC_{m,n}$  (rest follows with the convexity of  $QC_{m,n}$ )
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- We can also write it as in intersections of halfspaces:

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There exists an absolute constant  $K \geq 1$  such that, for any positive integers  $m, n$ , the following three equivalent conditions hold:

(1) We have the inclusion

$$\text{QC}_{m,n} \subset K \text{LC}_{m,n}. \quad (2)$$

(2) For any  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and for any  $\rho, X_i, Y_j$  verifying the conditions of Definition 4.2.1 we have

$$\sum_{i,j} M_{ij} \text{Tr} \rho(X_i \otimes Y_j) \leq K \max_{\xi \in \{-1,1\}^m, \eta \in \{-1,1\}^n} \sum_{i,j} M_{ij} \xi_i \eta_j \quad (3)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{Tr} M A^\top \leq \max_{\xi \in \{-1,1\}^m, \eta \in \{-1,1\}^n} \text{Tr} M (\xi \eta^\top)^\top. \quad (4)$$

(3) For any  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and for any (real) Hilbert space vectors  $x_i, y_j$  with  $|x_i| \leq 1, |y_j| \leq 1$  we have

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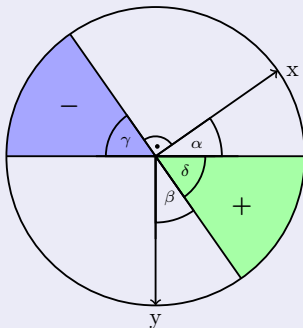
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Calculation of the probability that the signs of the scalar products  $\langle x, n \rangle$  and  $\langle y, n \rangle$  are unlike:



$$\mathbb{P}[\text{sign}(\langle x, n \rangle) \neq \text{sign}(\langle y, n \rangle)] = 2 \frac{\frac{\pi}{2} + \alpha}{2\pi} = \frac{\arccos(\langle x, y \rangle)}{\pi}$$

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We conclude with the proof of the second part of Lemma 6:

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because  $\arcsin(t) + \arccos(t) = \pi/2$ . □

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with  $\beta = \frac{2}{\pi} \ln(1 + \sqrt{2})$ .

## Definition (The $k$ -th tensor product)

The  $k$ -th tensor product of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with orthonormal basis  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  is denoted by  $(\mathbb{R}^n)^{\otimes k}$  and it is a Euclidean vector space of dimension  $n^k$  with orthonormal basis  $e_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{i_k}$ ,  $i_j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . In particular

$$\begin{aligned} \langle e_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{i_k}, e_{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{j_k} \rangle &= \prod_{l=1}^k \langle e_{i_l}, e_{j_l} \rangle \\ &= \begin{cases} 1 & , \text{ if } i_l = j_l \text{ for all } l = 1, \dots, k, \\ 0 & , \text{ otherwise,} \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

and for  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  with  $v = v_1 e_1 + \dots + v_n e_n$  we define  $v^{\otimes k} \in (\mathbb{R}^n)^{\otimes k}$  by

$$\begin{aligned} v^{\otimes k} &:= (v_1 e_1 + \dots + v_n e_n) \otimes \dots \otimes (v_1 e_1 + \dots + v_n e_n) \\ &= \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_k} v_{i_1} \dots v_{i_k} e_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{i_k}. \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

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$$1 = \langle \tilde{x}_i, \tilde{x}_i \rangle = \langle \tilde{y}_j, \tilde{y}_j \rangle = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2k+1)!} \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^{2k+1} \beta^{2k+1} = \sinh\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\beta\right)$$
$$\Leftrightarrow \quad \beta = \frac{2}{\pi} \operatorname{arcsinh}(1) = \frac{2}{\pi} \ln(1 + \sqrt{2})$$

- problem:  $\tilde{x}_1, \dots, \tilde{x}_m, \tilde{y}_1, \dots, \tilde{y}_n$  are infinite-dimensional
- solution: the positive definite and symmetric Gram matrix  $G$

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} \langle \tilde{x}_1, \tilde{x}_1 \rangle & \cdots & \langle \tilde{x}_1, \tilde{x}_m \rangle & \langle \tilde{x}_1, \tilde{y}_1 \rangle & \cdots & \langle \tilde{x}_1, \tilde{y}_n \rangle \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \langle \tilde{x}_m, \tilde{x}_1 \rangle & \cdots & \langle \tilde{x}_m, \tilde{x}_m \rangle & \langle \tilde{x}_m, \tilde{y}_1 \rangle & \cdots & \langle \tilde{x}_m, \tilde{y}_n \rangle \\ \langle \tilde{y}_1, \tilde{x}_1 \rangle & \cdots & \langle \tilde{y}_1, \tilde{x}_m \rangle & \langle \tilde{y}_1, \tilde{y}_1 \rangle & \cdots & \langle \tilde{y}_1, \tilde{y}_n \rangle \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \langle \tilde{y}_n, \tilde{x}_1 \rangle & \cdots & \langle \tilde{y}_n, \tilde{x}_m \rangle & \langle \tilde{y}_n, \tilde{y}_1 \rangle & \cdots & \langle \tilde{y}_n, \tilde{y}_n \rangle \end{pmatrix} \quad (13)$$

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- the columns of  $A$  are the vectors  $x'_1, \dots, x'_m, y'_1, \dots, y'_n \in S^{m+n-1}$  we are looking for





## Definition

For  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  define the quadratic program

$$\begin{aligned}\|M\|_{\infty \rightarrow 1} &= \max \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n M_{ij} \xi_i \eta_j : \xi_i^2 = 1, i = 1, \dots, m, \eta_j^2 = 1, j = 1, \dots, n \right\} \\ &= \max \left\{ \text{Tr } M \eta \xi^\top : \xi \in \{-1, 1\}^m, \eta \in \{-1, 1\}^n \right\}.\end{aligned}\quad (15)$$

## Definition

The SDP relaxation of  $\|M\|_{\infty \rightarrow 1}$  is given via:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{sdp}_{\infty \rightarrow 1}(M) &= \max \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n M_{ij} \langle x_i, y_j \rangle \\ &\quad x_i, y_j \in \mathbb{R}^{m+n} \\ &\quad \|x_i\| = 1, i = 1, \dots, m \\ &\quad \|y_j\| = 1, j = 1, \dots, n\end{aligned}$$

## Theorem (Grothendieck's inequality)

There exists a constant  $K$  such that for all  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ :

$$\|M\|_{\infty \rightarrow 1} \leq \text{sdp}_{\infty \rightarrow 1}(M) \leq K \|M\|_{\infty \rightarrow 1}. \quad (16)$$

### Proof.

Use the following approximation algorithm with randomized rounding:

**Algorithm 1:** Approximation algorithm with randomized rounding for  $\|M\|_{\infty \rightarrow 1}$

1. Solve  $\text{sdp}_{\infty \rightarrow 1}(M)$ . Let  $x_1, \dots, x_m, y_1, \dots, y_n \in S^{m+n-1}$  be the optimal unit vectors
2. Apply Krivine's trick (Lemma 7) and use vectors  $x_i, y_j$  to create new unit vectors  $x'_1, \dots, x'_m, y'_1, \dots, y'_n \in S^{m+n-1}$ .
3. Choose  $r \in S^{m+n-1}$  randomly
4. Round:  $u_i = \text{sign}(\langle x'_i, r \rangle)$   
 $v_j = \text{sign}(\langle y'_j, r \rangle)$

## Proof (cont.).

Expected quality of the outcome:

$$\begin{aligned}\|M\|_{\infty \rightarrow 1} &\geq \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n M_{ij} u_i v_j \right] \\&= \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n M_{ij} \mathbb{E}[\text{sign}(\langle x'_i, r \rangle) \text{sign}(\langle y'_j, r \rangle)] \\&= \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n M_{ij} \beta \langle x_i, y_j \rangle \\&= \beta \text{sdp}_{\infty \rightarrow 1}(M),\end{aligned}$$

where the last equality follows by Krivine's trick with  $\beta = \frac{2 \ln(1+\sqrt{2})}{\pi}$ , thus  $K \leq \beta^{-1}$ .

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## Theorem (Tsirelson)

(Hard direction) For all positive integers  $n, r$  and any  $x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n \in S^r$ , there exists a positive integer  $d := d(r)$ , a state  $|\psi\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^d \otimes \mathbb{C}^d$  and  $\{-1, 1\}$ -observables  $F_1, \dots, F_n, G_1, \dots, G_n \in O(\mathbb{C}^d)$ , such that for every  $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , we have

$$\langle \psi | F_i \otimes G_j | \psi \rangle = \langle x_i, y_j \rangle. \quad (17)$$

Moreover,  $d \leq 2^{\lceil r/2 \rceil}$ .

(Easy direction) Conversely, for all positive integers  $n, d$ , state  $|\psi\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^d \otimes \mathbb{C}^d$  and  $\{-1, 1\}$ -observables  $F_1, \dots, F_n, G_1, \dots, G_n \in O(\mathbb{C}^d)$ , there exist a positive integer  $r := r(d)$  and  $x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n \in S^r$  such that for every  $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , we have

$$\langle x_i, y_j \rangle = \langle \psi | F_i \otimes G_j | \psi \rangle. \quad (18)$$

Moreover,  $r \leq 2d^2$ .

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## Theorem (Grothendieck-Tsirelson)

There exists an absolute constant  $K \geq 1$  such that, for any positive integers  $m, n$ , the following three equivalent conditions hold:

(1) We have the inclusion

$$\text{QC}_{m,n} \subset \text{KLC}_{m,n}. \quad (19)$$

(2) For any  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and for any  $\rho, X_i, Y_j$  verifying the conditions of Definition 4.2.1 we have

$$\sum_{i,j} M_{ij} \text{Tr} \rho(X_i \otimes Y_j) \leq K \max_{\xi \in \{-1,1\}^m, \eta \in \{-1,1\}^n} \sum_{i,j} M_{ij} \xi_i \eta_j \quad (20)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{Tr} M A^\top \leq \max_{\xi \in \{-1,1\}^m, \eta \in \{-1,1\}^n} \text{Tr} M (\xi \eta^\top)^\top. \quad (21)$$

(3) For any  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and for any (real) Hilbert space vectors  $x_i, y_j$  with  $|x_i| \leq 1, |y_j| \leq 1$  we have

$$\sum_{i,j} M_{i,j} \langle x_i, y_j \rangle \leq K \max_{\xi \in \{-1,1\}^m, \eta \in \{-1,1\}^n} \text{Tr} \xi^\top M \eta. \quad (22)$$



## Proof.

Since (22) is a direct consequence of Grothendieck's inequality the only thing left to prove is the equivalence between (1)-(3). The equivalence of (3) and (2) (the Tsirelson's bound) is a consequence of either the proof of Lemma ?? or Tsirelson's Theorem (Theorem 1).

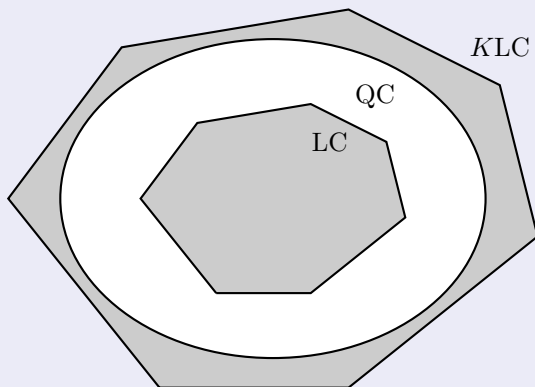


Figure: Visualization