Nonlocal games and the Grothendieck-Tsirelson inequality

Introduction to quantum information theory

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• Due to $\sum_{\xi \in \{-1,1\}^m, \eta \in \{-1,1\}^n} \mathbb{E}\left[\lambda_{\xi}^{(X)} \lambda_{\eta}^{(Y)}\right] = 1$ the matrix (a_{ij}) is a convex combination of $\xi \eta^T$, $\xi \in \{-1,1\}^m, \eta \in \{-1,1\}^n$.

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$$= \sum_{i=1}^{2n} \xi_i^2 I = |\xi|^2 I.$$

Set

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

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• Moreover, taking two linear combinations $X = \sum_{i=1}^{2n} \xi_i U_i$, $Y = \sum_{i=1}^{2n} = \eta_i U_i$ and consider the trace of the product we get

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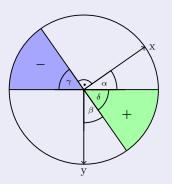
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Calculation of the probability that the signs of the scalar products $\langle x, n \rangle$ and $\langle y, n \rangle$ are unlike:



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We conclude with the proof of the second part of Lemma 5:

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because
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Definition (The *k*-th tensor product)

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

$$\langle e_{i_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes e_{i_k}, e_{j_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes e_{j_k} \rangle = \prod_{l=1}^k \langle e_{i_l}, e_{j_l} \rangle$$

$$= \begin{cases} 1 & , \text{ if } i_l = j_l \text{ for all } l = 1, \dots, n, \\ 0 & , \text{ otherwise,} \end{cases}$$
 (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

$$v^{\otimes k} := (v_1 e_1 + \dots + v_n e_n) \otimes \dots \otimes (v_1 e_1 + \dots + v_n e_n)$$

$$= \sum_{i_1,\dots,i_k} v_{i_1} \cdots v_{i_k} e_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{i_k}.$$
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Thus, for $v, w \in \mathbb{R}^n$

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• Hence, β is defined by the condition that the vectors $\tilde{x}_1, \ldots, \tilde{x}_m, \tilde{y}_1, \ldots, \tilde{y}_n$ are unit vectors:

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• The columns of A are the vectors $x_1', \ldots, x_m', y_1', \ldots, y_n' \in S^{m+n-1}$ we are looking for.

Definition

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

$$||M||_{\infty \to 1} = \max \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} M_{ij} \xi_{i} \eta_{j} : \xi_{i}^{2} = 1, i = 1, \dots, m, \eta_{j}^{2} = 1, j = 1, \dots, n \right\}$$

$$= \max \left\{ \operatorname{Tr} M \eta \xi^{\top} : \xi \in \{-1, 1\}^{m}, \eta \in \{-1, 1\}^{n} \right\}. \tag{16}$$

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

$$\mathsf{sdp}_{\infty \to 1}(M) = \max \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n M_{ij} \langle x_i, y_j \rangle$$

$$x_i, y_j \in \mathbb{R}^{m+n}$$

$$|x_i| = 1, i = 1, \dots, m$$

$$|y_i| = 1, j = 1, \dots, n$$

Theorem (Grothendieck's inequality)

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

$$||M||_{\infty \to 1} \le \operatorname{sdp}_{\infty \to 1}(M) \le K||M||_{\infty \to 1}.$$
 (17)

Proof.

Use the following approximation algorithm with randomized rounding:

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

- 1. Solve $\operatorname{sdp}_{\infty \to 1}(M)$. 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 8) and use vectors x_i, y_j to create new unit vectors $x'_1, \ldots, x'_m, y'_1, \ldots, y'_n \in S^{m+n-1}$.
- 3. Choose $r \in S^{m+n-1}$ randomly.
- 4. Round: $\xi_i = \operatorname{sign}(\langle x_i', r \rangle)$ $\eta_i = \operatorname{sign}(\langle y_i', r \rangle)$

Expected quality of the outcome:

$$\begin{split} \|M\|_{\infty \to 1} &\geq \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} M_{ij} \xi_{i} \eta_{j}\right] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} M_{ij} \mathbb{E}[\operatorname{sign}(\langle x_{i}', r \rangle) \operatorname{sign}(\langle y_{j}', r \rangle)] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} M_{ij} \beta \langle x_{i}, y_{j} \rangle \\ &= \beta \operatorname{sdp}_{\infty \to 1}(M), \end{split}$$

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

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Theorem (Tsirelson)

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

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

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

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

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Moreover, $r < 2d^2$.



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is a real number.



Thus,

$$\begin{split} \langle \psi | F_i \otimes G_j | \psi \rangle &= \mathsf{Re}(\langle \psi | F_i \otimes G_j | \psi \rangle) \\ &= \langle \mathsf{Re}(F_i \otimes I | \psi \rangle), \mathsf{Re}(I \otimes G_j | \psi \rangle) \rangle + \langle \mathsf{Im}(F_i \otimes I | \psi \rangle), \mathsf{Im}(I \otimes G_j | \psi \rangle) \rangle. \end{split}$$

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Define $x_i, y_i \in S^{2d^2}$ by

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as desired



Due to the similarity between those two proofs, we can prove that we can replace X_i , Y_j and ρ in the definition of Quantum correlation matrices by $\{-1,1\}$ -observables and a pure state.

The only thing we need to prove is the following:

$$QC_{m,n} = \{(\langle x_i, y_j \rangle)_{1 \le i \le m, 1 \le j \le n} | x_i, y_j \in \mathbb{R}^{\min\{m,n\}}, |x_i| = 1, |y_j| = 1\}$$
 (21)

If we can find unit vectors $u, v \in \{x_i \mid 1 \le i \le m\}^{\perp} \cap \{y_j \mid 1 \le j \le n\}^{\perp}$ such that $u \perp v$, we can define unit vectors

$$x'_{i} = x_{i} + \sqrt{1 - |x_{i}|^{2}} u$$

 $y'_{j} = y_{j} + \sqrt{1 - |x_{i}|^{2}} v$

with

$$\langle x_i', y_i' \rangle = \langle x_i, y_j \rangle.$$

Otherwise we increase the dimension to find vectors u and v and than decrease the dimension by a posteriori projecting the new vectors onto $\mathrm{span}\{x_i: 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ or $\mathrm{span}\{y_i: 1 \leq j \leq m\}$ according to whether $m \leq n$ or m > n.

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Theorem (Grothendieck-Tsirelson)

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

(1) We have the inclusion

$$QC_{m,n} \subset KLC_{m,n}. \tag{22}$$

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

$$\sum_{i,j} M_{ij} \operatorname{Tr} \rho(X_i \otimes Y_j) \le K \max_{\xi \in \{-1,1\}^m, \eta \in \{-1,1\}^n} \sum_{i,j} M_{ij} \xi_i \eta_j \qquad (23)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$\operatorname{\mathsf{Tr}} M A^{ op} \leq \max_{\xi \in \{-1,1\}^m, \eta \in \{-1,1\}^n} \operatorname{\mathsf{Tr}} M (\xi \eta^{ op})^{ op}.$$
 (24)

(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

$$\sum_{i:i} M_{ij} \langle x_i, y_j \rangle \le K \max_{\xi \in \{-1, 1\}^m, \eta \in \{-1, 1\}^n} \operatorname{Tr} \xi^\top M \eta. \tag{25}$$

Proof.

Since (25) 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 Tsirelsons Theorem (Theorem 1).

