

# To the Quantum Future

Assignment 0

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## Solution 1

### Eventown Problem

Consider a vector space  $V \subset \mathbb{F}_2^n$  over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ . For any vector  $v_i \in V$ , the  $j^{th}$  element is 1 if the  $j^{th}$  member is present in the  $i^{th}$  club and 0 otherwise. Consider the inner-product  $\langle v_i, v_j \rangle$ . This value represents the parity of the the number of people in the intersection of the  $i^{th}$  and  $j^{th}$  club. It is obvious that in  $\mathbb{F}_2$  it is  $0 \forall i, j$ . So for any  $v \in V, v \perp w \quad \forall w \in V$ . In other words  $\forall v \in V, v \in V^\perp$  or  $V \subset V^\perp$ . Also we know that  $V \oplus V^\perp = \mathbb{F}_2^n$ . Hence  $2\dim V \leq \dim V + \dim V^\perp = \dim \mathbb{F}_2^n = n$ . So  $\dim V \leq n/2$ . And since we defined  $V$  over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ ,  $m = |V| \leq 2^{n/2}$

### Oddtown Problem

Define a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{F}_2^{n \times n}$  where  $a_{ij} = 1$  if the  $i^{th}$  member belongs to the  $j^{th}$  club. The inner product of two columns of this matrix represent the parity of the number of members in the intersection of those two clubs which is 1 if both are same and 0 otherwise. Therefore it is easy to conclude that the matrix  $A^t A$  is  $I_{m \times m}$  or  $\dim(A^t A) = m$ . We also know that  $\dim(AB) \leq \min(\dim(A), \dim(B))$ . Therefore  $m = \dim(A^t A) \leq \min(\dim(A), \dim(A^t)) \leq n$

## Solution 2

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Ax, x \rangle &= \langle x, Ax \rangle = \langle A^* x, x \rangle \\ \implies \langle (A - A^*)x, x \rangle &= \langle Bx, x \rangle = 0 \quad \forall x \in V \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

We need to prove that  $B = \mathbf{O}$ . We begin by replacing putting  $(x+cy)$  where  $x, y \in V$  instead of  $x$  in eqn(1).

$$\langle B(x+cy), (x+cy) \rangle = \langle (x+cy), B(x+cy) \rangle$$

Simplifying we get,  $c\langle Bx, y \rangle = \bar{c}\langle Bx, y \rangle$ . Put  $c = 1, i$  to get the result that  $\langle Bx, y \rangle = 0 \quad \forall x, y \in V$ . Now put  $y = Bx$  to get  $\|Bx\| = 0$ . This implies  $Bx = 0 \quad \forall x \in V$ . Hence nullity of  $B$  is  $n$  or  $\text{rank}(B) = 0$ . Which means that  $B = \mathbf{O}$ . The converse is trivial.

$$\begin{aligned} \langle (A - A^*)x, x \rangle &= 0 \quad \forall x \in V \\ \implies \langle Ax, x \rangle &= \langle A^* x, x \rangle = \langle x, Ax \rangle \end{aligned}$$

*Note: This solution is inspired by one of the questions we discussed in MA106 course*

## Solution 3

Here we use the fact that : *Eigen values of Kronecker product of two matrices is the product of the eigen values of the individual matrices.*

**Proof:** Suppose  $v_a$  and  $v_b$  are the eigen values of  $A$  and  $B$  wrt eigen values  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$ . Now,  $(A \otimes B)(v_a \otimes v_b) = Av_a \otimes Bv_b = \lambda v_a \otimes \mu v_b = \lambda\mu(v_a \otimes v_b)$ .

Moving on to the question it is easy to observe that the following matrices are:

(a):  $A \otimes X$ , (b)  $X \otimes A$  and (c)  $A \otimes A$ , where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  with eigen values  $\frac{7 \pm \sqrt{57}}{2}$  and  $\pm 1$  respectively. Hence the eigen values for the question are  $\pm(\frac{7 \pm \sqrt{57}}{2})$  for part (a) and (b) and  $\pm(53 \pm 7\sqrt{57})$  for part (c)

## Solution 4

1)  $\sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$  is a norm because :

- $\sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle} = 0 \Rightarrow \langle x, x \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_i x_i^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_i = 0 \quad \forall i$

- $\sqrt{\langle sx, sx \rangle} = \sqrt{s\bar{s}\langle x, x \rangle} = \sqrt{|s|^2 \langle x, x \rangle} = |s| \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 |x + y|^2 &= \langle x + y, x + y \rangle \\
 &= x^*x + y^*x + x^*y + y^*y \\
 &\leq |x|^2 + 2|x||y| + |y|^2 \\
 &= (|x| + |y|)^2
 \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

eqn(2) is possible due to Cauchy-Schwartz theorem.

2)  $|x - y|$  is metric because:

- $|x - y| \geq 0$  and equality exists when  $x - y = 0$  or  $x = y$  as proven above
- $|x - y| = \sqrt{\langle x - y, x - y \rangle} = \sqrt{\langle y - x, y - x \rangle} = |y - x|$
- $|x - z| = |(x - y) + (y - z)| \leq |x - y| + |y - z|$  as proven above in the third point.

$\langle f_n | f_m \rangle$  can be calculated directly using integration. WLOG, assume  $n \geq m$ :

$$\langle f_n | f_m \rangle = \frac{3n - m}{6n^2}$$

To prove it is Cauchy, we can find  $|f_n - f_m| = \sqrt{\langle f_n - f_m | f_n - f_m \rangle}$  which turns out to be  $(1 - \frac{m}{n})\frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}$ . It is obvious that for any  $n$ , we can set  $m$  as large as we want such that  $|f_n - f_m| \leq \epsilon \quad \forall n, m \geq N$  for some  $N$ . Hence the sequence  $f_n$  is Cauchy. Assuming the sequence  $f_n$  to be  $|f_n| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3n}}$ , it obviously converges to 0.

## Solution 5

Here we use the fact that :  $\langle \alpha v_1 \otimes w_1 | \beta v_2 \otimes w_2 \rangle = \alpha^* \beta \langle v_1 | v_2 \rangle \langle w_1 | w_2 \rangle$ . Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle U | V \rangle_{HS} &= \langle TU | TV \rangle = \langle u | v \rangle \\
 &= \left\langle \sum_{i,j} \alpha_{ij} v_i \otimes w_j \middle| \sum_{i',j'} \beta_{i'j'} v'_i \otimes w'_j \right\rangle \\
 &= \sum_{i,j,i',j'} \alpha_{ij}^* \beta_{i'j'} \langle v_i | v'_i \rangle \langle w_j | w'_j \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

Now since  $\{v_i\}$  and  $\{w_j\}$  are orthonormal basis the above will be simplified to

$$\sum_{ij} \alpha_{ij}^* \beta_{ij}$$

Which is precisely equal to  $\text{tr}(U^*V)$

For the second part, note that the tensor product  $v_i \otimes w_j$  can be considered as a Kronecker product which under the basis  $\mathcal{B}$  reduces to

$$[a_{11}, a_{12}, \dots, a_{1n}, a_{21}, \dots, a_{2n}, \dots, a_{mn}]^T$$

where  $a_{ij} = 1$  and 0 otherwise.

$$[0, 0, \dots, 1, \dots, 0]^T$$

Hence now it is easy to see that  $(TU)_{\mathcal{B}} = (u)_{\mathcal{B}}$  reduces to the given form

$$[\alpha_{11}, \alpha_{12}, \dots, \alpha_{1n}, \alpha_{21}, \dots, \alpha_{2n}, \dots, \alpha_{mn}]^T$$