

Computer-assisted enumeration and classification of multi-qubit doilies

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- Doily generation program



Contextuality

Kochen-Specker theorem

No *non-contextual hidden-variable* theory can reproduce the outcomes predicted by quantum physics

Without loss of generality, a *non-contextual hidden-variable* (NCHV) theory admits the existence of a function $v : \mathcal{P}_N \rightarrow \{-1, 1\}$ that determines (as $v(M)$) the result of any measurement with the multi-qubit Pauli observable M (among its two eigenvalues -1 and 1) *independently of former measurements, even when they are compatible (commuting)*

Mermin-Peres square proves Kochen-Specker theorem by describing experiments with nine two-qubit Pauli observables which contradict the NCHV hypothesis

Kochen and Specker. “The Problem of Hidden Variables in Quantum Mechanics”. *Indiana Univ. Math. J.*. 1968.

The Mermin-Peres magic square

Finite geometry with 9 points and 6 lines

- ▶ Each point \equiv an observable
- ▶ Each line \equiv a measurement context

$$\begin{array}{rcccl}
 -1 & & -1 & & 1 \\
 X \otimes I - I \otimes X - X \otimes X & & & & I \otimes I \\
 \mid & & \mid & & \mid \\
 1 & & 1 & & 1 \\
 I \otimes Y - Y \otimes I - Y \otimes Y & & & & I \otimes I \\
 \mid & & \mid & & \mid \\
 -1 & & -1 & & ? \\
 X \otimes Y - Y \otimes X - Z \otimes Z & & & & I \otimes I \\
 & & & & \\
 I \otimes I & & I \otimes I & & -(I \otimes I)
 \end{array}$$

Quantum geometries

Definition of a quantum geometry(O, C):

- ▶ O is a finite set of observables (points): hermitian operators ($M = M^\dagger$) of finite dimension.
- ▶ C is a finite set of sub-sets of O called contexts (lines) such that:
 - ▶ each observable $M \in O$ satisfies $M^2 = Id$ (eigenvalues in $\{-1, 1\}$)
 - ▶ every observable M and N of a context commute ($MN = NM$)
 - ▶ The product of all observables of a context is the identity matrix Id or $-Id$



Contextual finite quantum geometries

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 o_1 & o_2 & o_3 & & & & \\
 X \otimes I - I \otimes X - X \otimes X & l_1 & & & & & \\
 \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots & & \\
 o_4 & o_5 & o_6 & & & & \\
 I \otimes Y - Y \otimes I - Y \otimes Y & l_2 & & & & & \\
 \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots & & \\
 o_7 & o_8 & o_9 & & & & \\
 X \otimes Y - Y \otimes X - Z \otimes Z & l_3 & & & & & \\
 & l_4 & l_5 & l_6 & & &
 \end{array}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix}
 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\
 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1
 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} l_1 \\ l_2 \\ l_3 \\ l_4 \\ l_5 \\ l_6 \end{matrix} \quad E = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} I \otimes I \\ I \otimes I \\ I \otimes I \\ I \otimes I \\ I \otimes I \\ -(I \otimes I) \end{matrix}$$

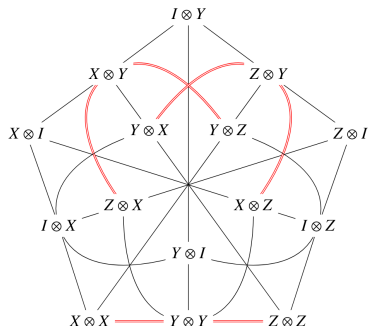
the product of observables on l_i is $(-1)^{E_i} I$

The geometry is *contextual* if $\nexists x. Ax = E$

Abramsky and Brandenburger. "The Sheaf-Theoretic Structure of Non-Locality and Contextuality". *New Journal of Physics*. 2011.

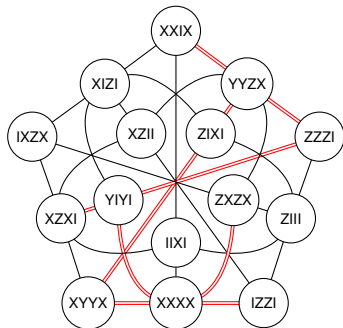
The W_2 doily

The doily is the contextual geometry of all the 2-qubit observables using Pauli observables except $I \otimes I$



N-qubit doilies

N -qubit doily: Contextual geometry on N qubits with the same point/line structure as the W_2 doily



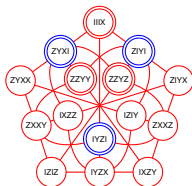
Example of 4-qubit doily



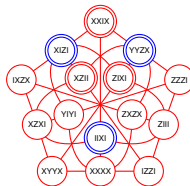
Doily Classification

- **Signature:** number of I s per observable (A: $N - 1$ I per observable, B: $N - 2$, C: $N - 3$...)
- **Nature** ν of the doily

For any tricentric triad (3 observables commuting with 3 common observables)



$ZYXI.IYZI.ZIYI = I^4 \Leftrightarrow$ Linear



$XIZI.IIXI.YYZX \neq I^4 \Leftrightarrow$ Quadratic

- **Configuration** of the negative lines





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Contextuality degree

For every contextual geometry with an incidence matrix A , and for the valuation vector E related to the value of each line, we have

$$\nexists x; Ax = E$$

We are looking for the minimal difference between E and a vector Ax called the Hamming distance:

$$d_H \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = 2$$

Property: every N -qubit doily has a contextuality degree of 3

[de Boutray, Holweck, Giorgetti, Masson, and Saniga](#). “Contextuality degree of quadrics in multi-qubit symplectic polar spaces”. 2022.

Numbers of multi-qubit doilies

Numbers $D(N)$ (resp. $D_l(N)$, $D_q(N)$) of (resp. linear, quadratic) N -qubit doilies

$$D(N) = D_l(N) + D_q(N)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q = \prod_{i=1}^k \frac{q^{n-k+i}-1}{q^i-1}$$

$$D_l(N) = \begin{bmatrix} 2N \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}_2 - \begin{bmatrix} N \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}_2 \prod_{i=1}^4 (2^{N+1-i} + 1) - 7 \begin{bmatrix} N \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}_2 2^{2N-6} \prod_{i=1}^3 (2^{N+1-i} + 1) / 3$$

$$D_q(N) = 16 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2N \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}_2 - \begin{bmatrix} N \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}_2 \prod_{i=1}^5 (2^{N+1-i} + 1) - 15 \begin{bmatrix} N \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}_2 2^{2N-8} \prod_{i=1}^4 (2^{N+1-i} + 1) / 3 \right)$$

N	$D_l(N)$	$D_q(N)$	$D(N)$
2	1	1	1
3	336	1 008	1 344
4	91 392	1 370 880	1 462 272
5	23 744 512	1 495 904 256	1 519 648 768
6	6 100 942 848	1 555 740 426 240	1 561 841 369 088
7	1 563 272 675 328	1 599 227 946 860 544	1 600 791 219 535 872
8	400 289 425 260 544	1 639 185 196 441 927 680	1 639 585 485 867 188 224
9	102 479 956 839 235 584	1 678 929 132 897 196 572 672	1 679 031 612 854 035 808 256

Doily generation program

Goal: Generate all N -qubit doilies for a given N in order to classify and check various properties about them

The C language is used because it allows for

- ▶ quick execution
- ▶ the use of test and proof tools

Execution time (Intel® Core™ i7-8665U CPU @ 1.90GHz, 8 cores):

- ▶ **4 qubits:** 1 462 272 doilies in 0.5s and 1.4 Mo
- ▶ **5 qubits:** 1 519 648 768 doilies in 12min and 1.8 Mo

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Observables

The N -qubit observable $G_1 G_2 \cdots G_N$, with

$$G_j \leftrightarrow (g_j, g_{j+N}), j \in \{1, 2, \dots, N\},$$

knowing that

.	I	X	Y	Z
I	I	X	Y	Z
X	X	I	iZ	$-iY$
Y	Y	$-iZ$	I	iX
Z	Z	iY	$-iX$	I

Multiplication table of the Pauli operators

$$I \leftrightarrow (0, 0), X \leftrightarrow (0, 1), Y \leftrightarrow (1, 1), \text{ and } Z \leftrightarrow (1, 0).$$

no need to know the phase



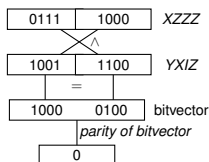
Operations

Product of observables

$$ZZZZ.XYZI = 11110000_2 \oplus 01101100_2 = 10011100_2 = p.YXIZ$$

Symplectic product

$$\langle a, b \rangle = a_1 b_{N+1} + a_{N+1} b_1 + a_2 b_{N+2} + a_{N+2} b_2 + \dots + a_N b_{2N} + a_{2N} b_N$$

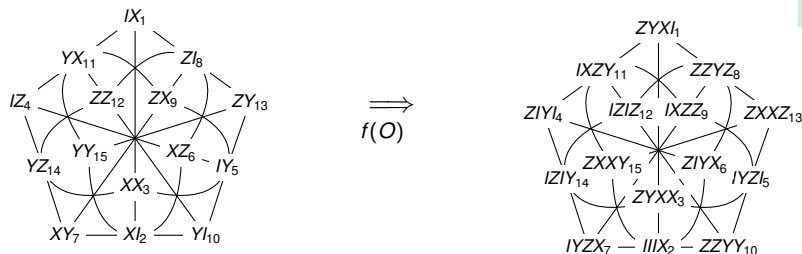


Computing process of the symplectic product



Representation of the doily

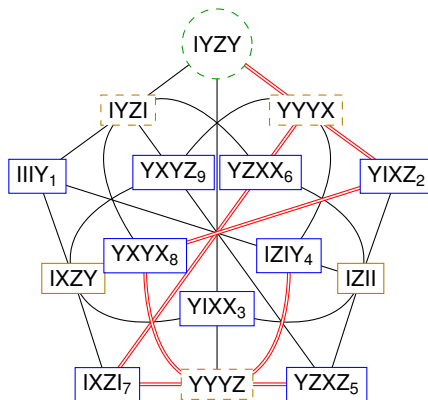
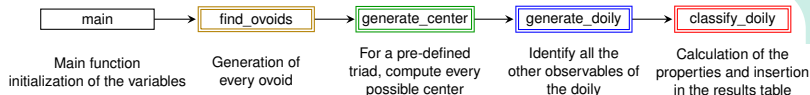
Every N -qubit doily is an injective labeling of the W_2 doily
We use the binary representation of the observables as array indices



Representation of the 2-qubit doily with the bitvector used in the program

O	II	IX	XI	XX	IZ	IY	XZ	XY	ZI	ZX	YI	YX	ZZ	ZY	YZ	YY
bv	0000	0001	0010	0011	0100	0101	0110	0111	1000	1001	1010	1011	1100	1101	1110	1111
index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
$f(O)$	\emptyset	ZYXI	IIIX	ZYXX	ZIYI	IYZI	ZIYX	IYZX	ZYZZ	IXZZ	ZZYY	IXZY	IZIZ	ZXXZ	IZIY	ZXXY

Doily generation process steps



Doily generation algorithm

Algorithm 1 Description of the doily generation algorithm

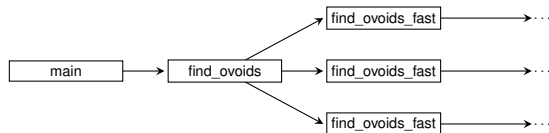
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1: for each ovoid  $O = \{o_1, o_2, o_3, o_4, o_5\}$  in  $W_N$ , with  $o_1 < o_2 < o_3 < o_4 < o_5$  do
2:    $f(IX) \leftarrow o_1 \parallel f(IZ) \leftarrow o_2 \parallel f(XY) \leftarrow o_3 \parallel f(ZY) \leftarrow o_4 \parallel f(YY) \leftarrow o_5$ 
3:   for each center  $c$  of  $\{o_1, o_2, o_3\}$  in  $W_N$  that anticommutes with  $o_4$  and  $o_5$  do
4:      $f(XI) \leftarrow c$ 
5:     for each line  $(p, q, r)$  in the order of the sequence  $S$  do  $f(r) \leftarrow |f(p).f(q)|$  end for
6:     if  $O$  is not the smallest ovoid of  $f$  then discard  $f$  end if
7:     ... ▷ Classification of  $f$ 
8:   end for
9: end for
```

$$S \equiv (XI, IX, XX), (XI, IZ, XZ), (XI, XY, IY), (ZY, XX, YZ), (ZY, XZ, YX), \\ (ZY, IY, ZI), (YY, XX, ZZ), (YY, XZ, ZX), (YY, IY, YI)$$



Parallelization

Use of the parallelization library *OpenMP*



Doily generation process

```
#pragma omp parallel for schedule(dynamic,1) //dynamic distribution
for (bv i = 1; i < BV_LIMIT; i++) { //For all observables of Wn
    bv bv1[OVOID_COUNT]; //We initialize an array representing the doily
    bv1[0] = i; //we assign its first value
    find_ovoid_fast(bv1); //We keep on generating the doily in this thread
}
```

The parallelization occurs at the generation of the first observable o_1 of the ovoid: 4^N iterations

Classification results

Type	Observables				Configuration of negative lines												
	A	B	C	D	ν	3	4	5	6	7A	7B	8A	8B	9	10	11	12
1	0	3	0	12	q	216				648				648			
2	0	4	0	11	q				3888			3888					
3	0	5	0	10	q	972		1944		4860	1944			1944			
4	1	0	5	9	q	648								648			
5	3	0	3	9	l	144											
6	0	6	0	9	q		1296		5184								
7	0	1	6	8	q	972				3888						972	
8	1	1	5	8	q				7776								
9	2	1	4	8	q	1944		1944									
10	2	1	4	8	l	972					972						
11	0	7	0	8	q			1944		972							
12	0	2	6	7	q				15552			11664	19440				
13	1	2	5	7	q	7776		13608			15552			1944			
14	1	2	5	7	l	3888					7776						
15	2	2	4	7	q		11664						3888				
⋮																	
95	6	9	0	0	l	6											

Partial results for the number of 4-qubit doilies

<https://quantcert.github.io/doilies/>

Conclusion

Review

- ▶ Work leading to a recent publication
- ▶ Results available at
<https://quantcert.github.io/doilies>

Perspectives

- ▶ Extend the scope of the program to other contextual geometries
- ▶ Formal proof of the properties found

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Questions?



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