

Quantum Morphisms

Lecture 4

Last Week

- 1) If G has a quantum n -coloring, it has one using projections of all the same rank ($\chi_q^r + \text{rank-}r$ colorings).
- 2) Rank- r quantum n -coloring gives (nr/r) -projective representation.
 E.g. $g \mapsto E_g$
- 3) $\xi_r(G) = \inf \{ \frac{d}{r} : G \text{ has a } (d/r)\text{-representation} \} \leq \chi_q(G), \chi_f(G), \xi(G)$
- 4) $\xi(G) = \min \{ d : G \text{ has an orthogonal representation in } \mathbb{C}^d \} \leq \chi'_q(G)$
- 5) Flat ortho. rep. of G in $\mathbb{C}^d \Rightarrow \chi'_q(G) \leq d$
- 6) Real ortho. rep. in dimension 4 (or 8) $\Rightarrow \chi'_q(G) \leq 4$ (or 8)
- 7) To construct examples with $\chi_q(G) < \chi(G)$: Consider orthogonality graphs of appropriate sets of vectors and hope.

Perhaps $\xi(G) \stackrel{\leq}{=} \chi'_q(G) \stackrel{\geq}{=} \chi_q(G)$?

Fukawa, Imai, + Le Gall: Use reduction 3-SAT \rightarrow 3-COLORING to obtain graph with $\chi_q(G) = 3 < \chi(G)$.

This implies that $\chi_q(G) < \chi'_q(G)$ (HW: $\chi'_q(G) = 3 \Rightarrow \chi(G) = 3$)

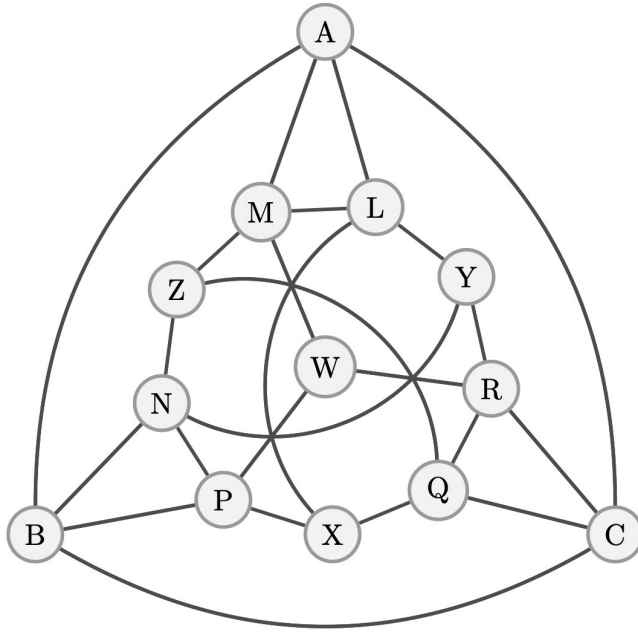
Mančinska + me: $\chi_q(G) < \xi(G)$ also possible. Oddities of Quantum Coloring

Thus $\xi(G) \leq \chi_q(G)$ does not hold in general.

What about $\chi_q(G) \leq \xi(G)$ for all graphs G ?

G_{13} - orthogonality graph of the vectors in \mathbb{R}^3
with entries from $\{0, 1, -1\}$.

$$w(G_{13}) = \xi(G_{13}) = 3 < 4 = \chi(G_{13})$$



$$\chi_q(G_{13}) = ? \quad 4 > 3 = \xi(G_{13})$$

What about $G_{14} := G_{13} + \text{apex vertex}$?

$$\chi(G_{13}) = 4 \Rightarrow \chi(G_{14}) = 5$$

G_{13} has ortho. rep. in $\mathbb{R}^3 \Rightarrow G_{14}$ has ortho. rep. in $\mathbb{R}^4 \Rightarrow \chi_q(G_{14}) \leq 4$.

Remarks:

- 1) $\chi_q(G_{14}) < \chi(G_{14})$ Smallest known example.
- 2) $\chi_q(G_{13}) = \chi_q(G_{14})$ Adding an apex vertex did not increase χ_q !!!

Exercise: Show that if $G + \text{apex vtx}$ has a locally commuting quantum n -coloring, then G has a locally commuting quantum $(n-1)$ -coloring, i.e.

$G \rightarrow H$
 $E_{gh} E_{g'h'}$
 $= E_{g'h'} E_{gh}$ if $g \sim g'$

$$\chi_q^{lc}(G + \text{apex}) = \chi_q^{lc}(G) + 1$$

The locally commuting constraint arises in a slightly different (G, H) -homomorphism game introduced by

Abramsky, Barbosa, de Silva, + Zapata

Projective Packings

An assignment $g \mapsto E_g \in \mathbb{C}^{d \times d}$ of projections to the vertices of a graph G is a **projective packing** if $g \sim g' \Rightarrow E_g E_{g'} = 0$.
The value of a projective packing is $\frac{1}{d} \sum_{g \in V(G)} \text{rk}(E_g)$.

Projective packing number:

$\alpha_p(G) := \sup \{ x \in \mathbb{Q} : G \text{ has a proj. pack. of value } x \}$.

$\omega_p(G) := \alpha_p(\bar{G})$ (projective clique number)

Properties

1) $S \subseteq V(G)$ indpt set, $E_g = \begin{cases} I & g \in S \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$ is a proj. pack. of value $|S|$.

Thus $\alpha(G) \leq \alpha_p(G)$.

2) $\frac{\alpha(G)}{|V(G)|} \geq \frac{1}{\alpha_p(G)}$ with equality if G is vertex transitive.

Proof: Suppose $g \mapsto E_g$ is a (d/r) -representation.

Then it is also a proj. pack. of value

$$\frac{1}{d} \sum_{g \in V(G)} \text{rk}(E_g) = \frac{r|V(G)|}{d}$$

$$\text{Thus } \alpha_p(G) \geq \frac{r|V(G)|}{d} = \frac{|V(G)|}{(d/r)} \Rightarrow \frac{d}{r} \geq \frac{|V(G)|}{\alpha_p(G)}$$

$$3) \omega_p(G) \leq \mathcal{E}_f(G) \quad \omega(G) \leq \chi_f(G)$$

Proof: $g \mapsto E_g \in \mathbb{C}^{k \times k}$ proj. clique of value $\frac{R}{k} = \frac{1}{k} \sum_g \text{rk}(E_g)$.

$g \mapsto F_g \in \mathbb{C}^{d \times d}$ a (d/r) -representation.

$$P_g := E_g \otimes F_g \in \mathbb{C}^{kd \times kd}$$

Then P_g is a projection for all $g \in V(G)$ + $P_g P_{g'} = 0$ if $g \neq g'$.

$$\text{Thus } \text{rk}\left(\sum_g P_g\right) = \sum_g \text{rk}(P_g) = \sum_g \text{rk}(E_g \otimes F_g) = r \sum_g \text{rk}(E_g) = rR.$$

But, $\text{rk}\left(\sum_g P_g\right) \leq kd$. Therefore, $rR \leq kd \Rightarrow \frac{R}{k} \leq \frac{d}{r}$.

4) If $G \rightarrow H$ then $\omega_p(G) \leq \omega_p(H)$ + $\mathcal{E}_f(G) \leq \mathcal{E}_f(H)$.

Proof: $g \mapsto E_g \in \mathbb{C}^{k \times k}$ proj. clique of value $\frac{R}{k} = \frac{1}{k} \sum_g \text{rk}(E_g)$.

$F_{gh} \in \mathbb{C}^{d \times d}$ for $g \in V(G), h \in V(H)$ give quantum hom from G to H .

$$P_h := \sum_g E_g \otimes F_{gh}$$

P_h is a projection, $P_h P_{h'} = 0$ if $h \sim h'$ in \overline{H}

value of $P_h \geq$ value of E_g

An analogy: α_p is to \mathcal{E}_f as α is to \mathcal{K}_f .

Shorthand: $\alpha_p(G) \geq x \in \mathbb{Q}$ means G has a proj. pack. of value (at least) x .

$\alpha_q(G) = x \in \mathbb{Q}$ means $\alpha_p(G) = x + \alpha_q(G) \geq x$.

Quantum Independence Number

$$w_q(G) = \max \{ n : K_n \xrightarrow{q} G \}$$

$$\alpha_q(G) = w_q(\bar{G})$$

Projections $E_{ig} \in \mathbb{C}^{d \times d}$ give a quantum hom. $K_n \xrightarrow{q} \bar{G}$ if

$$1) \sum_g E_{ig} = I \quad \forall i \in [n]$$

$$2) E_{ig} E_{jg'} = 0 \quad \text{if } [i \neq j + (g \sim g' \text{ or } g = g')] \text{ or } [i = j + g \neq g']$$

$F_g := \sum_{i=1}^n E_{ig}$ is a projective packing of value n .

Therefore, $\alpha_p(G) \geq \alpha_q(G)$.

Proof: Exercise.

Open Problem:

$$\alpha_q(G) = \min \{ \lfloor x \rfloor : G \text{ has proj. pack. of value } x \} ? \\ \neq \lfloor \alpha_p(G) \rfloor$$

A Construction

Suppose $g \mapsto |\psi_g\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^d$ is an ortho. rep. of G , and $f: V(G) \rightarrow [k]$ is a k -coloring of \bar{G} where $k = \frac{|V(G)|}{d}$.

Then $w(G) = d \cdot f^{-1}(i)$ is a clique of size $d \forall i \in [k]$.

Therefore, $\{|\psi_g\rangle : g \in f^{-1}(i)\}$ is an orthonormal basis $\forall i$.

Define $E_{ig} = \begin{cases} |\psi_g\rangle\langle\psi_g| & \text{if } g \in f^{-1}(i) \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$

Claim: The E_{ig} give a quantum hom $K_k \rightarrow \bar{G}$.

Proof: $\sum_{g \in V(G)} E_{ig} = \sum_{g \in f^{-1}(i)} |\psi_g\rangle\langle\psi_g| = I$.

$i \neq j$: $E_{ig}E_{jg} = 0$ because $f^{-1}(i) \cap f^{-1}(j) = \emptyset$.

$i \neq j \neq g \sim g'$: $E_{ig}E_{jg'} = \begin{cases} |\psi_g\rangle\langle\psi_g| |\psi_{g'}\rangle\langle\psi_{g'}| & \text{if } g \in f^{-1}(i) \neq g' \in f^{-1}(j) \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$

Theorem (Cubitt, Leung, Matthews, + Winter):

If $\chi(\bar{G}) = \frac{|V(G)|}{\xi(G)}$ then $\alpha_q(G) = \chi(\bar{G})$.
 \leq always true

Theorem (Mančinska, Scarpa, + Severini):

$\alpha_q(G) = \chi(\bar{G})$ if + only if $\alpha_p(G) = \chi(\bar{G})$.

How do we find such graphs that also have $\alpha(G) < \chi(\overline{G})$?

Kochen-Specker set (KS set): A set $S \subseteq \mathbb{C}^d$ of nonzero vectors such that there is no subset $T \subseteq S$ of mutually non-orthogonal vectors containing one vector from every orthogonal basis $B \in \mathcal{B}$ - set of bases in S

$$V(G(S)) = \{(|\psi\rangle, B) : |\psi\rangle \in B \subseteq S, B \text{ orthogonal basis}\}.$$

$$(|\psi\rangle, B) \sim (|\psi'\rangle, B') \text{ if } \langle \psi | \psi' \rangle = 0.$$

$$n := |V(G(S))|$$

$$b := \# \text{ of orthogonal bases in } S \quad (= \frac{n}{d}).$$

$(|\psi\rangle, B) \mapsto B$ is a coloring of $\overline{G(S)}$ with $b = \frac{n}{d}$ colors.

$(|\psi\rangle, B) \mapsto |\psi\rangle$ is an ortho. rep. of G in \mathbb{C}^d .

$$\text{Thus } \alpha_q(G(S)) = \chi(\overline{G(S)}) = b = \frac{n}{d}.$$

But an indpt set of size b would hit every orthogonal basis B exactly once, a contradiction.

$$\text{Thus } \alpha(G(S)) < b = \alpha_q(G(S)). \Rightarrow \chi(G) \geq \frac{n}{\alpha} > \frac{n}{b} = d = \chi(G)$$

A Kochen-Specker set

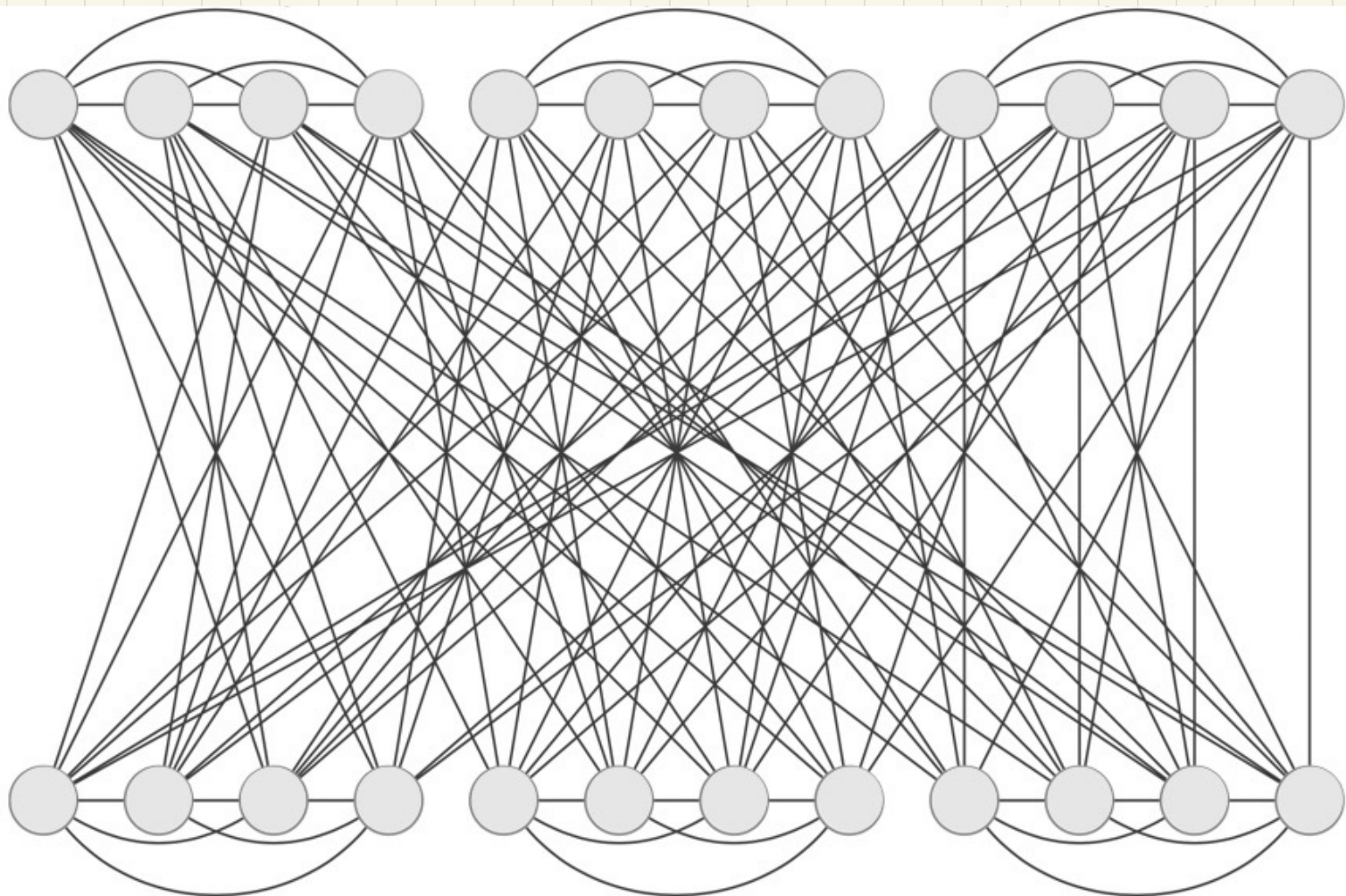
1 : (1, 0, 0, 0)	2 : (0, 1, 0, 0)	3 : (0, 0, 1, 0)	4 : (0, 0, 0, 1)
5 : (0, 1, 1, 0)	6 : (1, 0, 0, -1)	7 : (1, 0, 0, 1)	8 : (0, 1, -1, 0)
9 : (1, 1, 1, 1)	10 : (1, -1, 1, -1)	11 : (1, -1, -1, 1)	12 : (1, 1, -1, -1)
13 : (1, -1, 0, 0)	14 : (1, 1, 0, 0)	15 : (0, 0, 1, 1)	16 : (0, 0, 1, -1)
17 : (-1, 1, 1, 1)	18 : (1, 1, 1, -1)	19 : (1, -1, 1, 1)	20 : (1, 1, -1, 1)
21 : (1, 0, 1, 0)	22 : (0, 1, 0, 1)	23 : (1, 0, -1, 0)	24 : (0, 1, 0, -1)

$$\chi(\bar{G}) \geq \chi_q(\bar{G}) \geq \xi_f(\bar{G}) \geq \alpha_p(G) \geq \alpha_q(G) \geq \alpha(G)$$

$$\chi_f(\bar{G})$$

$$\xi(G)$$

The orthogonality graph



$\alpha_q(G) = 6 > 5 = \alpha(G)$ ALSO $\chi_q(G) = 4 < \frac{24}{5} \leq \chi(G) = 5$