

# Complex Hadamard Matrices and Quantum Symmetry

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Combinatorics around the  $q$ -Onsager algebra

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Happy belated 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday, Paul!!!



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When  $X = Y$ :

Theorem (Schmidt, 2020)

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Remark

The Bose-Mesner algebras of Hadamard graphs and the Higman-Sims graph contain spin models.



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### Spin models and distance-regular graphs of $q$ -Racah type



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### Definition (Wang, 1998)

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra with unity  $\mathbf{1}$ .

A **quantum permutation matrix** is an  $n \times n$  matrix  $Q$  with entries in  $\mathcal{A}$  satisfying

- i.  $Q_{ij}^* = Q_{ij} = Q_{ij}^2$ , and
- ii.  $\sum_{k=1}^n Q_{ik} = \sum_{k=1}^n Q_{kj} = \mathbf{1}$ , for  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ .

### Remark:

If  $\mathcal{A}$  is finite dimensional then  $Q_{ij} \in M_d(\mathbb{C})$ , for some  $d$ , and  $Q_{ij}^* = \overline{Q_{ij}}^T$ .

### Example

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$$\text{e.g. } \mathbf{p} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{q} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \implies \mathbf{pq} \neq \mathbf{qp}.$$

### Theorem (Weber, 2023)

Let  $\mathcal{A} \subset M_d(\mathbb{C})$ , and  $Q \in M_n(\mathcal{A})$  be a quantum permutation matrix.

If all  $Q_{ij}$ 's commute, then there exist permutation matrices  $P_1, \dots, P_d \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$  such that  $Q$  is unitarily equivalent to

$$\begin{bmatrix} P_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & P_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & P_d \end{bmatrix}.$$

### Definition (Banica, 2005)

The **quantum automorphism group of  $X$**  is the compact matrix quantum group  $(C(G_{aut}^+(X)), U)$ , where  $C(G_{aut}^+(X))$  is the *universal*  $C^*$ -algebra with generators  $U_{ij}$ ,  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ , and relations

- i.  $U_{ij} = (U_{ij})^* = (U_{ij})^2, \quad \forall i, j,$
- ii.  $\sum_{k=1}^n U_{ik} = \mathbf{1} = \sum_{k=1}^n U_{kj}, \quad \forall i, j,$
- iii.  $AU = UA.$

$\Rightarrow U$  is a **quantum permutation matrix** that **commutes with  $A$** .

### Definition (Banica and Bichon, 2007)

The graph  $X$  has **no quantum symmetry** if

$$C(G_{aut}^+(X)) = C(Aut(X)),$$

equivalently,  $U_{ij}U_{rs} = U_{rs}U_{ij}, \quad \forall i, j, r, s.$

### Example ( $X = K_2$ )

The rows and columns of  $U$  sum to  $\mathbf{1}$

$$\Rightarrow U = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p} & \mathbf{1} - \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{1} - \mathbf{p} & \mathbf{p} \end{bmatrix}.$$

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$\Rightarrow K_2$  has no quantum symmetry.

### Example ( $X = C_4$ )

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p} & 1 - \mathbf{p} & 0 & 0 \\ 1 - \mathbf{p} & \mathbf{p} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathbf{q} & 1 - \mathbf{q} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 - \mathbf{q} & \mathbf{q} \end{bmatrix}, \text{ with } \mathbf{p} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{q} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} Q = Q \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{pq} \neq \mathbf{qp} \implies C_4$  has quantum symmetry.

### Remark

If  $Q_{ij} \in M_d(\mathbb{C})$  then  $AQ = QA$  becomes

$$(A \otimes I_d) Q = Q (A \otimes I_d).$$

### Theorem (Schmidt, 2020)

The Hamming graph  $H(n, q)$  has quantum symmetry if and only if

- i.  $n \geq 2$  and  $q = 2$ , or
- ii.  $n \geq 1$  and  $q \geq 4$ .

We prove Schmidt's result for  $q = 2$ ,  $q = 4$  and  $q \geq 6$ :

- construct a quantum permutation matrix  $Q$  from a complex Hadamard matrix,
- determine  $A$ 's satisfying  $QA = AQ$ ,
- determine when  $\exists i, j, k, l$  where  $Q_{ij}Q_{kl} \neq Q_{kl}Q_{ij}$ .

## Definition

An  $n \times n$  matrix  $W$  is **type-II** if

$$WW^{(-)T} = nI,$$

where  $W^{(-)}$  denotes the Schur-inverse of  $W$ .

Equivalently,

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{W_{ki}}{W_{kj}} = n\delta_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{W_{ik}}{W_{jk}}.$$

## Definition

A **complex Hadamard matrix** is a type-II matrix  $W$  with  $|W_{ij}| = 1$ ,  $\forall i, j$ .

### Example

Spin models and four-weight spin models are type-II matrices.

### Example

For  $\lambda \neq 0$ , 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & \lambda & -\lambda \\ 1 & -1 & -\lambda & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$
 is type II.

It is a complex Hadamard matrix if  $|\lambda| = 1$ .

### Example

The character table of a finite Abelian group is a complex Hadamard matrix.



For type-II matrix  $W$ , define  $W_{i/j} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{W_{1i}}{W_{1j}} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{W_{ni}}{W_{nj}} \end{bmatrix} \quad (i, j = 1, \dots, n)$

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Observe:  $\begin{bmatrix} W_{1/3} & W_{2/3} & W_{3/3} & W_{4/3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & -1 & & \\ & & \frac{1}{\lambda} & \\ & & & -\frac{1}{\lambda} \end{bmatrix} W$

$\begin{bmatrix} W_{3/1} & W_{3/2} & W_{3/3} & W_{3/4} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & -1 & & \\ & & \lambda & \\ & & & \lambda \end{bmatrix} W^{(-)}$

$\Rightarrow \{W_{1/j}, \dots, W_{n/j}\}$  and  $\{W_{j/1}, \dots, W_{j/n}\}$  are bases of  $\mathbb{C}^n$

From Soffía's talk:

Definition (Musto and Vicary, 2015)

A **quantum Latin square** is an  $n \times n$  array of elements in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  such that every row and every column is an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{C}^n$ .

Theorem (Godsil, < 2020)

Let  $W$  be a complex Hadamard matrix of order  $n$ . Then

$$\mathcal{L} = \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} W_{i/j} \right]_{i,j}$$

is a quantum Latin square.

## Type-II matrices to Association schemes:

### Definition (Nomura, 1997)

Let  $W$  be a type-II matrix. The **Nomura algebra of  $W$**  is

$$\mathcal{N}_W = \left\{ M \in M_n(\mathbb{C}) : W_{i/j} \text{ is an eigenvector of } M, \text{ for } i, j = 1, \dots, n \right\}.$$

### Theorem (Jaeger, Matsumoto, Nomura, 1998)

Let  $W$  be a type-II matrix. Then  $\mathcal{N}_W$  and  $\mathcal{N}_{W^T}$  are a formally dual pair of Bose-Mesner algebras.

Moreover,  $W \in \mathcal{N}_W$  if and only if  $cW$  is a spin model, for some  $c \in \mathbb{C}$ .

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$$\text{Let } W = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & \lambda & -\lambda \\ 1 & -1 & -\lambda & \lambda \end{bmatrix}. \text{ Then } \dim \mathcal{N}_W = \begin{cases} 4 & \text{if } \lambda^4 = 1, \\ 3 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

### Example (Jaeger, Matsumoto, Nomura, 1998)

Let  $W$  be a type-II matrix of order  $n$ .

Then  $\dim \mathcal{N}_W = n$  if and only if  $W$  is type-II equivalent to the character table of an abelian group of order  $n$ .

## Construction of quantum permutation matrix:

### Definition

Let  $W$  be a type-II matrix of order  $n$ . For  $i, j = 1, \dots, n$ , let  $Y_{ij} = \frac{1}{n} W_{i/j} W_{j/i}^T$ .

The **matrix of idempotent of  $W$**  is the  $n \times n$  block matrix

$$\mathcal{Y} = [Y_{ij}]_{i,j}.$$

### Example (Complex Hadamard matrix $H$ )

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & e^{i\theta} & -e^{i\theta} \\ 1 & -1 & -e^{i\theta} & e^{i\theta} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H_{1/3} = \overline{H_{3/1}} \implies Y_{31} = \frac{1}{n} H_{3/1} H_{3/1}^* = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & e^{-i\theta} & -e^{-i\theta} \\ -1 & 1 & -e^{-i\theta} & e^{-i\theta} \\ e^{i\theta} & -e^{i\theta} & 1 & -1 \\ -e^{i\theta} & e^{i\theta} & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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### Lemma

The matrix of idempotent  $\mathcal{Y}$  of  $H$  is a quantum permutation matrix.

## Lemma

Let  $W$  be a type-II matrix. Then

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{N}_W &= \left\{ M : (I_n \otimes M) \mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{Y} (I_n \otimes M) \right\}, \quad \text{and} \\ \mathcal{N}_{W^T} &= \left\{ N : (N \otimes I_n) \mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{Y} (N \otimes I_n) \right\}\end{aligned}$$

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### Lemma

Let  $H$  be a complex Hadamard matrix of order  $n$ .

Then  $\exists i, j, k, l$  such that  $Y_{ij}Y_{kl} \neq Y_{kl}Y_{ij}$  if and only if  $\dim \mathcal{N}_H < n$ .

### Theorem

If  $H$  be a complex Hadamard matrix that is inequivalent to the character table of a finite Abelian group, then every graph in  $\mathcal{N}_{H^T}$  has quantum symmetry.

Theorem (de la Harpe and Jones, 1990; Munemasa and Watatani, 1992)

For every prime  $p \geq 7$ , there exists a circulant matrix of order  $p$ , inequivalent to the Fourier matrix of order  $p$ .

Theorem (Craig, 1991)

If  $n$  is a composite, then there are uncountably many equivalence classes of complex Hadamard matrices of order  $n$ .

When  $n \in \{2, 3, 5\}$ , the Fourier matrix is the unique complex Hadamard matrix, up to equivalence.

## Theorem

For  $n = 4$  or  $n \geq 6$ , the Hamming graph  $H(n, q)$  has quantum symmetry.

**Proof.** Let  $H$  be a complex Hadamard matrix of order  $q$  that is inequivalent to the character table of a finite abelian group. Then

$$A(H(n, q)) \in (\mathcal{N}_{H^T})^{\otimes n} = \mathcal{N}_{(H^T)^{\otimes n}},$$

and  $\dim \mathcal{N}_{(H^T)^{\otimes n}} < q^n$ . □

## Theorem

For  $n \geq 2$  and  $q = 2$ , the Hamming graph  $H(n, q)$  has quantum symmetry.

**Proof.** Use  $H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}} & -e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}} \\ 1 & -1 & -e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}} & e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}} \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}^{\otimes (n-2)}$ . □

Theorem (Schmidt, 2020)

The Higman-Sims graph has quantum symmetry.

Question: Quantum permutation matrix??

(The Higman-Sims spin model is not a complex Hadamard matrix.)

Thank you for your attention!

