

# Tensors: From Entanglement to Computational Complexity

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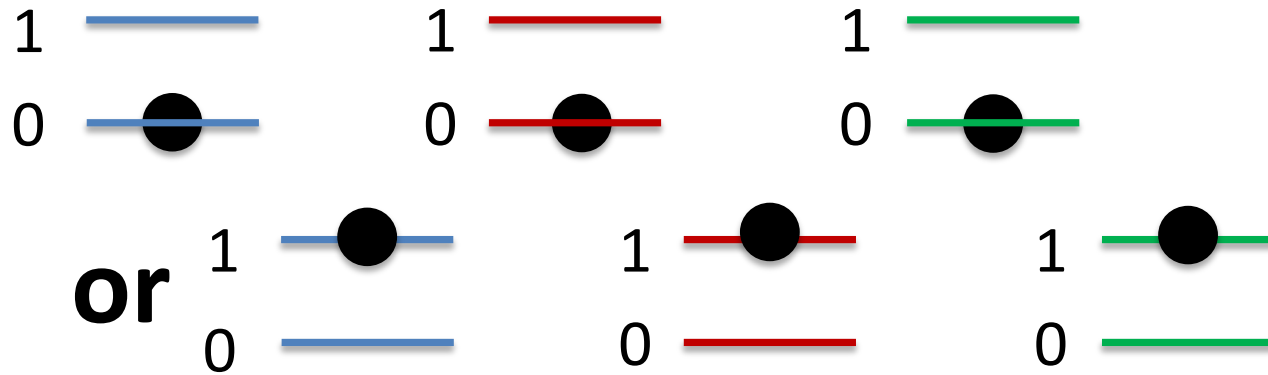
# Outline

- Two motivations
- Resource theory of tensors
- Entanglement polytopes
- Tensor  $\otimes$  tensor  $\otimes$  ....  $\otimes$  tensor
- Quantum functionals

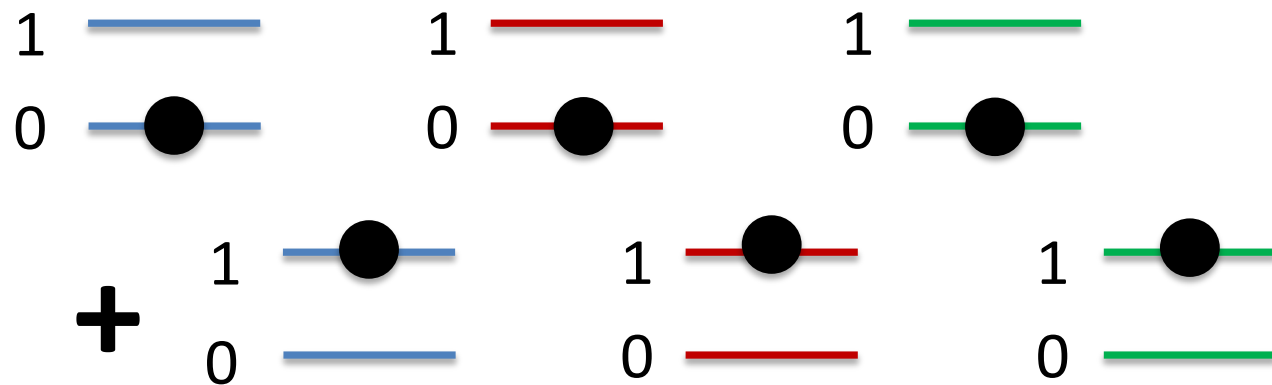
Two motivations

# Quantum states

State of a  
classical  
system  
(3 bits)



State of a  
quantum  
system  
(3 qubits)



$$e_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

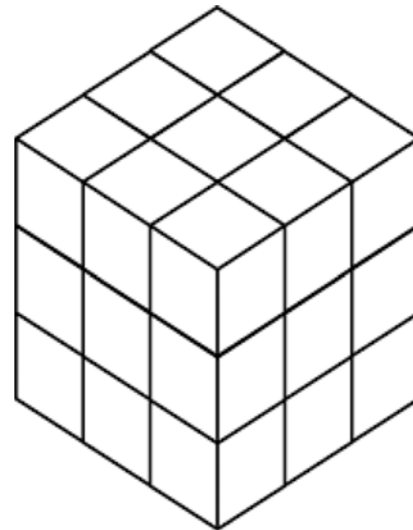
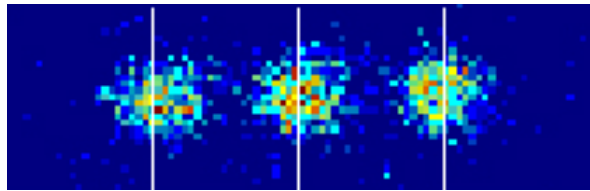
$$e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$t = e_0 \otimes e_0 \otimes e_0 + e_1 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_1$$

# Quantum state=tensor

$$t \in \mathbf{C}^d \otimes \mathbf{C}^d \otimes \mathbf{C}^d$$

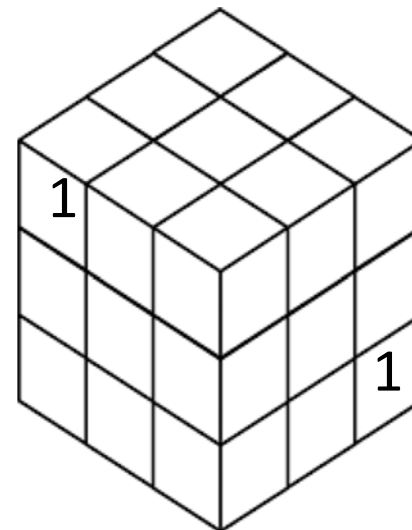
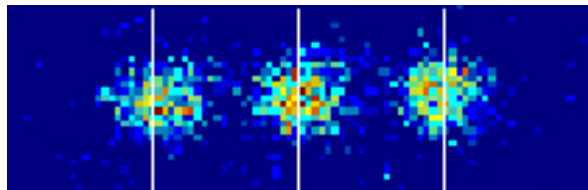
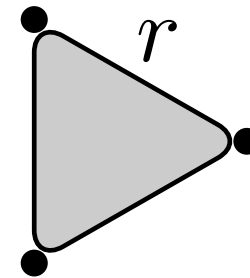
$$t = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^d t_{ijk} e_i \otimes e_j \otimes e_k$$



# GHZ state = unit tensor

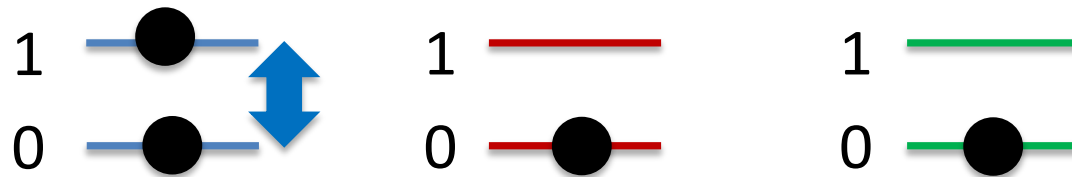
Greenberger-Horne-Zeilinger

$$\langle r \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^r e_i \otimes e_i \otimes e_i$$

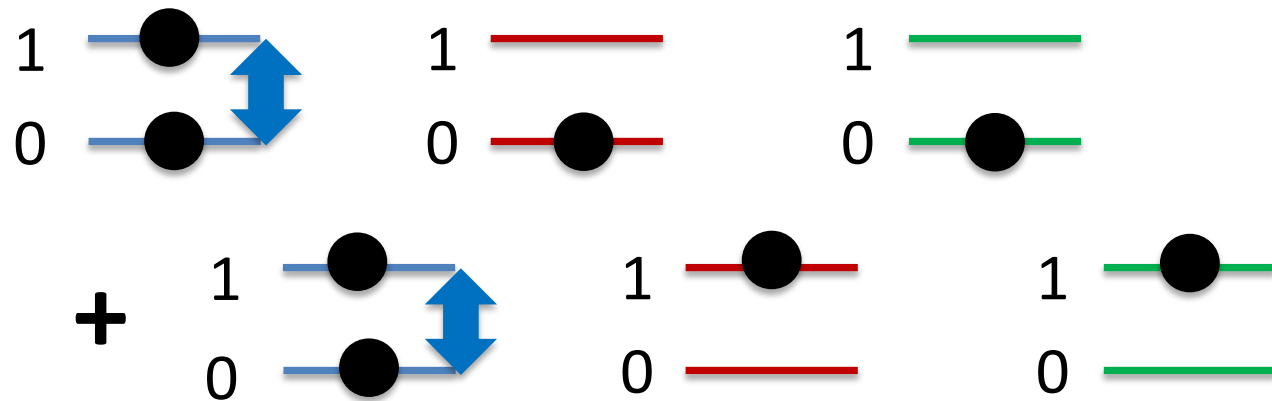


# Local operations

Local  
trans-  
formation:  
Flip first bit



Local  
trans-  
formation:  
Flip first  
qubit



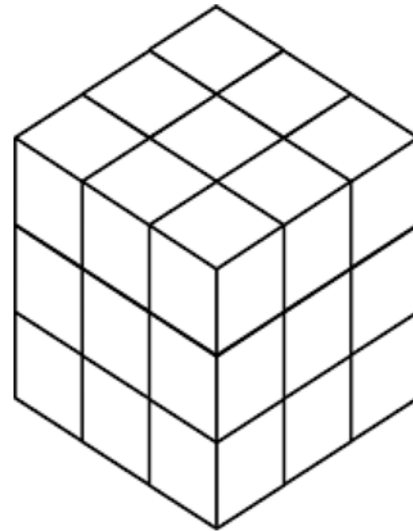
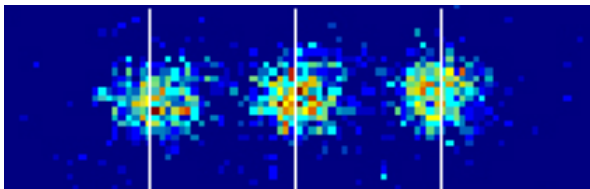
$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$t = e_0 \otimes e_0 \otimes e_0 + e_0 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_1$$

# Local operations=restrictions

$$t \geq t' \text{ if } (a \otimes b \otimes c) t = t'$$

for some matrices  $a, b, c$



Linear combination of slices



# 3 qubits

Greenberger-Horne-Zeilinger  
GHZ-state

$$e_0 \otimes e_0 \otimes e_0 + e_1 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_1$$

Einstein-Podolsky-Rosen  
(EPR)-state

$$\approx e_0 \otimes e_0 \otimes e_1 + e_0 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_0 + e_1 \otimes e_0 \otimes e_0$$

W-state

$$e_0 \otimes e_0 \otimes e_0 + e_1 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_0$$

$$e_0 \otimes e_0 \otimes e_0 + e_0 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_1$$

$$e_0 \otimes e_0 \otimes e_0 + e_1 \otimes e_0 \otimes e_1$$

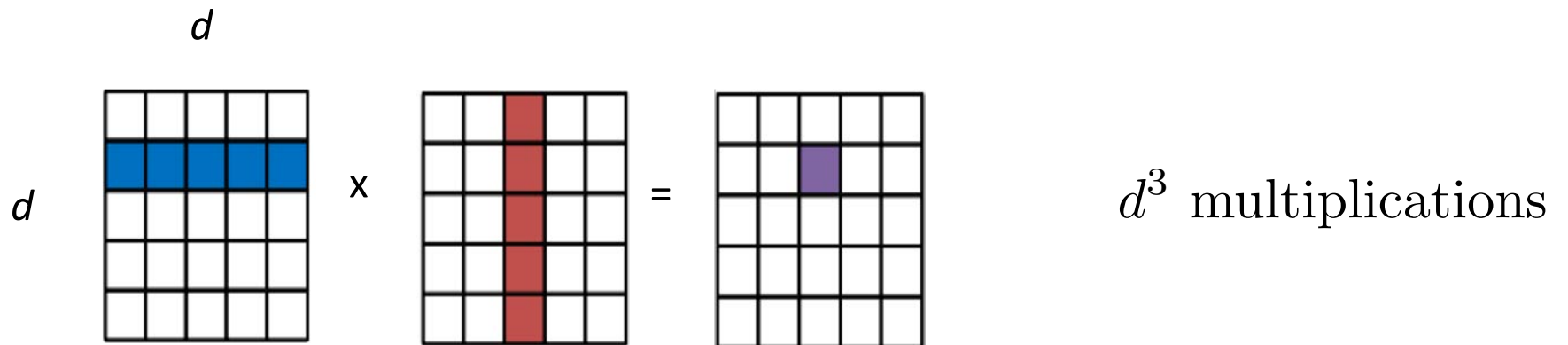
$$e_0 \otimes e_0 \otimes e_0$$

unentangled state

# Algebraic Complexity

$M(d) =$  algebra of  $d \times d$  complex matrices

$Mam_u(d) : M(d) \times M(d) \rightarrow M(d)$       bilinear  
 $(A, B) \mapsto A \cdot B$



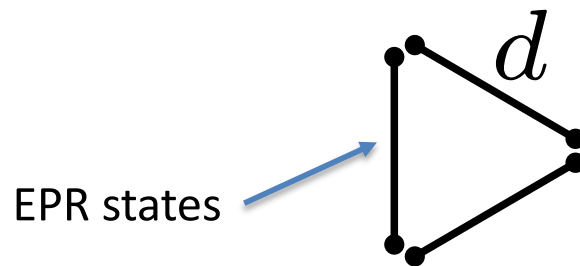
# Bilinear maps=tensors

$$\text{Mamu}(d) : M(d) \times M(d) \times M(d)^* \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$$

$$(A, B, C) \mapsto \text{tr} A \cdot B \cdot C$$

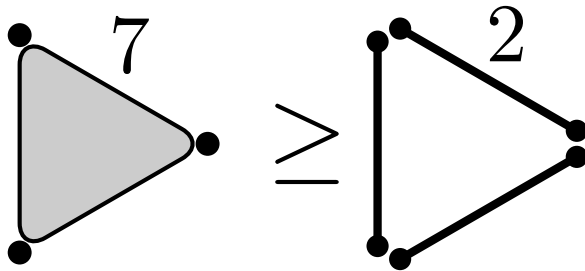
$$\text{Mamu}(d) = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^d e_{ij} \otimes e_{jk} \otimes e_{ki} \quad \leftarrow e_{ij} = e_i \otimes e_j$$

$$= \sum_{i,j,k=1}^d (e_i \otimes e_j) \otimes (e_j \otimes e_k) \otimes (e_k \otimes e_i)$$



# Complexity=Tensor rank

Strassen: # elementary multiplications = tensor rank



$$\begin{aligned}
 &e_{00} \otimes e_{00} \otimes e_{00} + e_{11} \otimes e_{11} \otimes e_{11} \\
 &e_{01} \otimes e_{10} \otimes e_{00} + e_{10} \otimes e_{01} \otimes e_{11} \\
 &e_{01} \otimes e_{11} \otimes e_{10} + e_{10} \otimes e_{00} \otimes e_{01} \\
 &e_{00} \otimes e_{01} \otimes e_{10} + e_{11} \otimes e_{10} \otimes e_{01}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= e_{-1} \otimes e_{1+} \otimes e_{00} + e_{1+} \otimes e_{00} \otimes e_{-1} + e_{00} \otimes e_{-1} \otimes e_{1+} \\
 &\quad - e_{-0} \otimes e_{0+} \otimes e_{11} - e_{0+} \otimes e_{11} \otimes e_{-0} - e_{11} \otimes e_{-0} \otimes e_{0+} \\
 &\quad + (e_{00} + e_{11}) \otimes (e_{00} + e_{11}) \otimes (e_{00} + e_{11})
 \end{aligned}$$

Do you like Strassen's decomposition?  
 Then you might want to look at some tensor surgery next!  
 Ch. & Zuiddam,  
 Comp. Compl. 2018  
 arXiv:1606.04085

# Resource theory of tensors

free  
operations

# Resource theory of tensors

valuable resource

- Restriction

$$t \geq t' \text{ if } (a \otimes b \otimes c) t = t'$$

for some matrices  $a, b, c$

- Unit

$$\langle r \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^r e_i \otimes e_i \otimes e_i$$

- Rank

$$\begin{aligned} R(t) &= \min\{r : \langle r \rangle \geq t\} \\ &= \min\{r : t = \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i \otimes \beta_i \otimes \gamma_i\} \end{aligned}$$

- Subrank

$$Q(t) = \max\{r : t \geq \langle r \rangle\}$$

# Restriction

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for some matrices  $a, b, c$

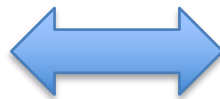
$t \cong t'$  if  $t \geq t'$  and  $t' \geq t$

iff  $(a \otimes b \otimes c) t = t'$

for invertible  $a, b, c$

iff  $G.t = G.t'$   $\leftarrow G = GL(d) \times GL(d) \times GL(d)$

Deciding restriction



Classifying orbits  
and their relations

GHZ state



# Degeneration

W state



$$(e_0 + \epsilon e_1)^{\otimes 3} - e_0^{\otimes 3} \\ = \epsilon(e_0 \otimes e_0 \otimes e_1 + e_0 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_0 + e_1 \otimes e_0 \otimes e_0) + O(\epsilon^2)$$

$$t \trianglelefteq t' \text{ if } t_\epsilon \xrightarrow{\epsilon \mapsto 0} t', t \geq t_\epsilon$$

Deciding degeneration



Classifying orbit  
closures and  
their relations



# Deciding degeneration

- Orbit closures are  $G$ -invariant algebraic varieties

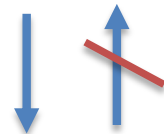
$t \not\geq t'$  iff there exists

$G$  – covariant polynomial  $f$  :

$$f(t) = 0, \text{ but } f(t') \neq 0$$

- Example:

$$e_0 \otimes e_0 \otimes e_0 + e_1 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_1$$



$f$ =Cayley hyperdeterminant

$$\approx e_0 \otimes e_0 \otimes e_1 + e_0 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_0 + e_1 \otimes e_0 \otimes e_0$$

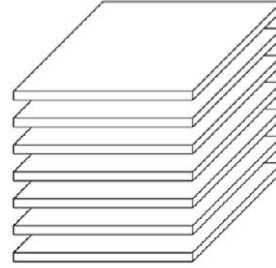
be happy with partial information

# Entanglement polytopes

# Local spectra

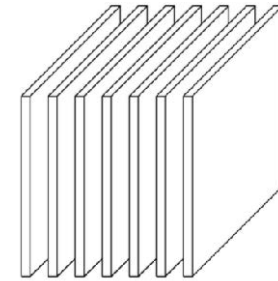
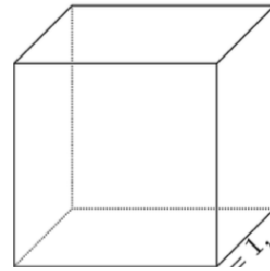
$$t'_A \in \mathbf{C}^d \otimes (\mathbf{C}^d \otimes \mathbf{C}^d)$$

$$\lambda_A = \text{singular values } (t'_A)^2$$



normalised

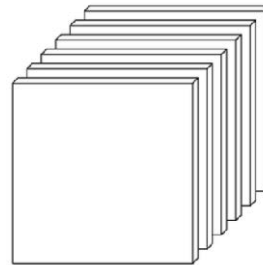
$$t' \in \mathbf{C}^d \otimes \mathbf{C}^d \otimes \mathbf{C}^d$$



ordered probability distribution  
= spectrum of reduced density operator

$$t'_C \in (\mathbf{C}^d \otimes \mathbf{C}^d) \otimes \mathbf{C}^d$$

$$\lambda_C = \text{singular values } (t'_C)^2$$



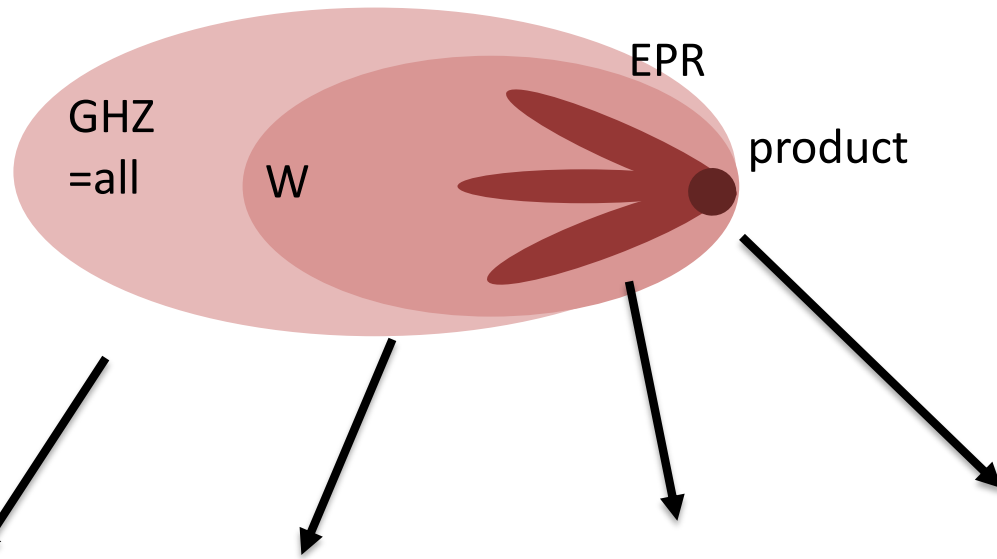
$t'_B \in \dots$

$\lambda_B = \text{singular values } (t'_B)^2$

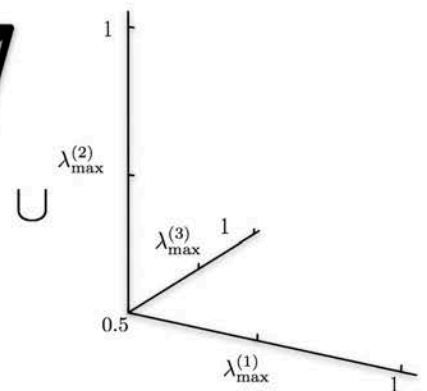
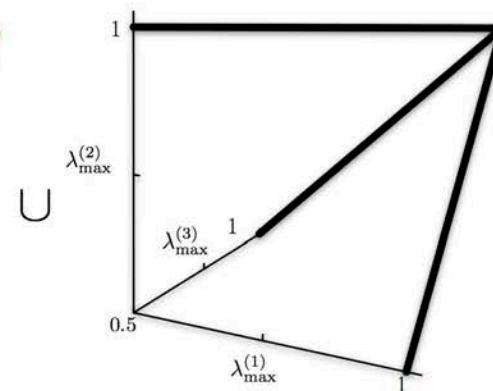
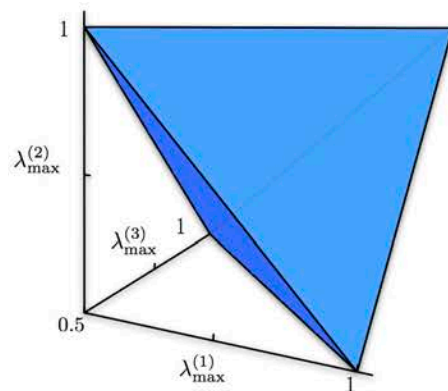
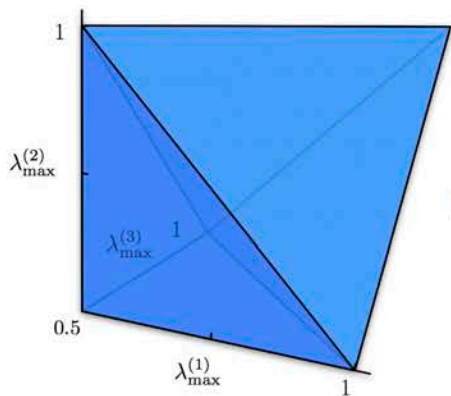


# Entanglement polytopes

## Reduced density matrices



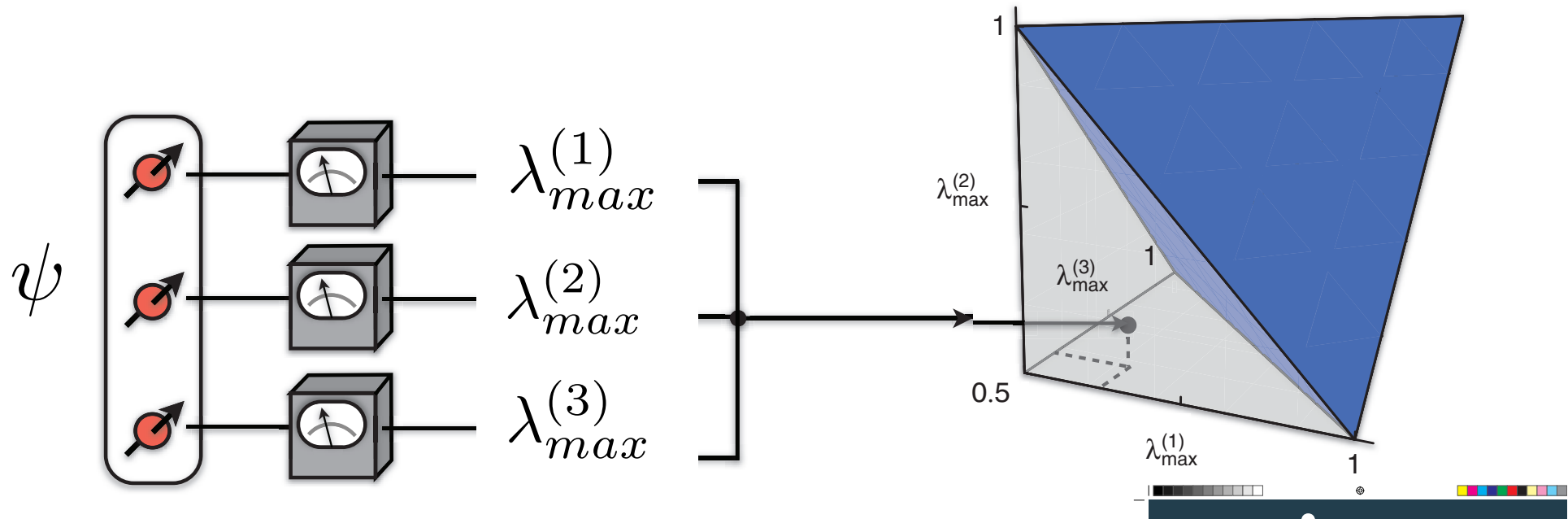
marginal polytope



Ch-Mitchison, Klyachko,  
Daftuar-Hayden (2004)  
based in part on Kirwan

Walter-Doran-Gross-Ch,  
Sawicki-Oszmaniec-Kus (2010) based on Brion

# Experimental Detection



- if measured value
  - not in  $W$ -polytope
  - Then must be in GHZ-class!
- easy test for entanglement!



# A little more partial information?

- Orbit closures are  $G$ -invariant algebraic varieties

$t \not\preceq t'$  iff there exists

$G$  – covariant polynomial  $f : f(t) \neq f(t')$

$f(t) = 0$ , but  $f(t') \neq 0$

- $f$ 's come in types indexed by 3 Young diagrams

$$\lambda_A = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square & \\ \hline \square & & & \\ \hline \end{array}.$$

# boxes=degree

# Weyl's construction

- Schur-Weyl duality

$$(\mathbf{C}^d)^{\otimes n} \cong \bigoplus_{\lambda} [\lambda] \otimes V_{\lambda}$$

$S_n$  acts  $GL(d)$  acts

- $P_{\lambda_A}$  orthogonal projector onto  $\lambda_A$  component

$$\underbrace{(P_{\lambda_A} \otimes P_{\lambda_B} \otimes P_{\lambda_C})}_{=: P_{\lambda}} t^{\otimes n}$$

$$= \left( \sum_i v_i v_i^* \right) t^{\otimes n} = \sum_i v_i^* f_i(t)$$



# Relaxation

- Orbit closures are  $G$ -invariant algebraic varieties

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$G$  – covariant polynomial  $f$  :

$$f(t) = 0, \text{ but } f(t') \neq 0$$

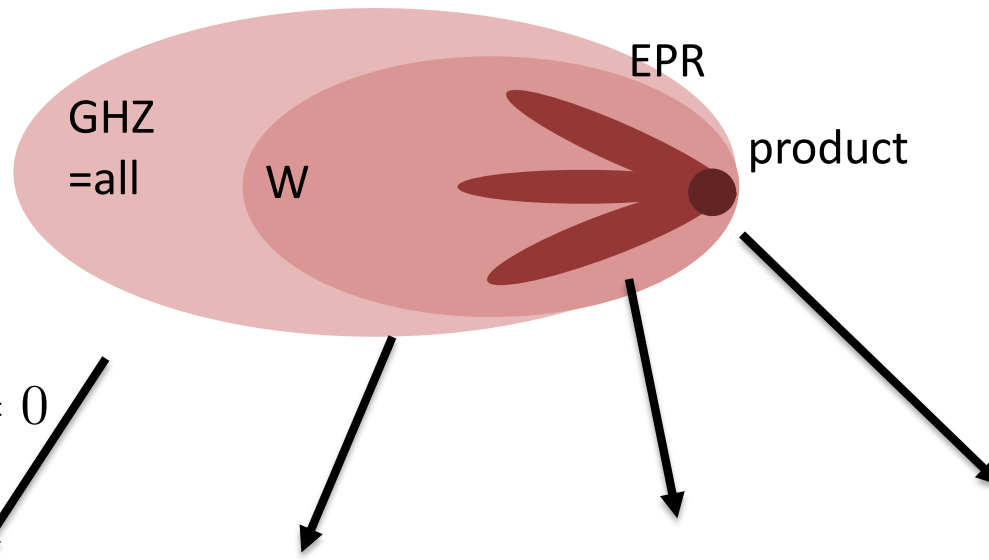
if there is  $\lambda$  s.th.

$$P_\lambda t^{\otimes n} = 0 \text{ but } P_\lambda t'^{\otimes n} \neq 0$$

occurrence obstructions (Geometric Complexity Theory)  
Mulmuley-Sohoni, Strassen, Bürgisser-Ikenmeyer, ...

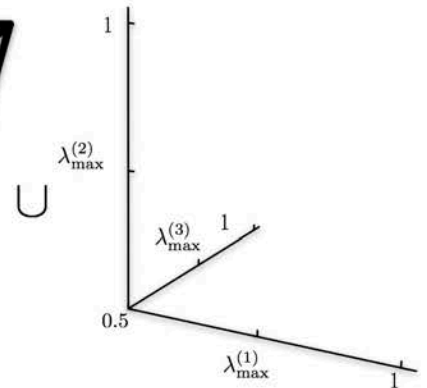
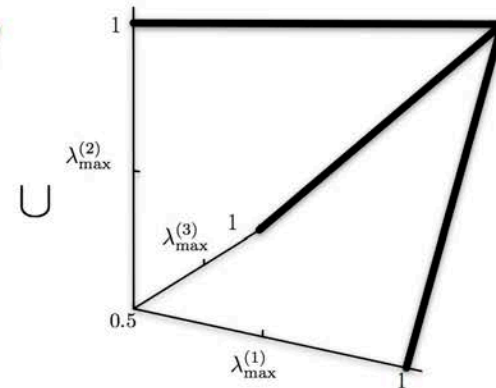
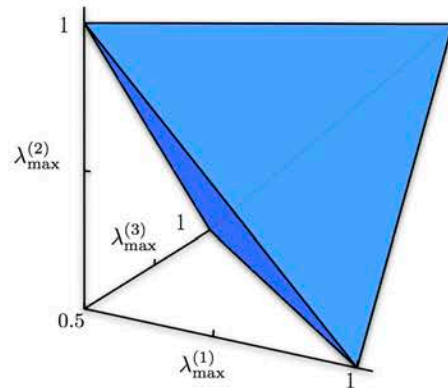
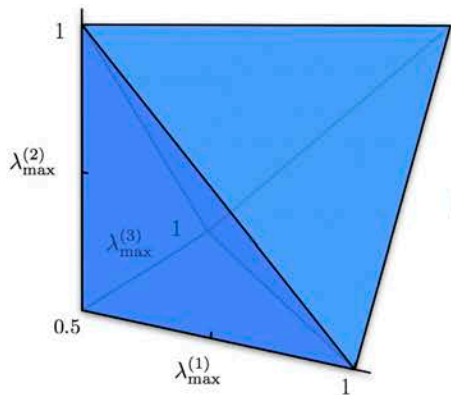
# Entanglement polytopes

## Invariant-theoretic



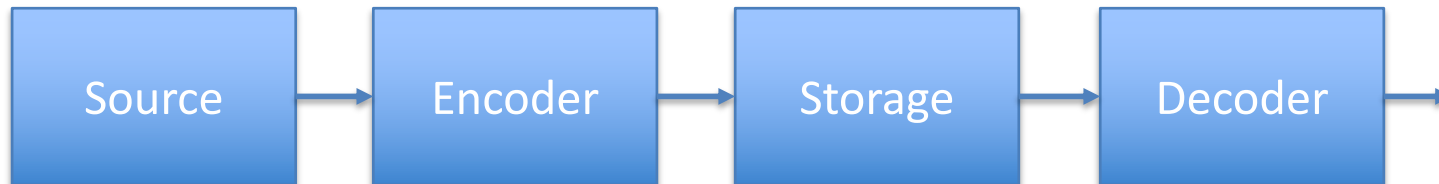
$g_\lambda \neq 0$   
 Kronecker  
 = marginal  
 polytope

$P_\lambda t^{\otimes n} \neq 0$

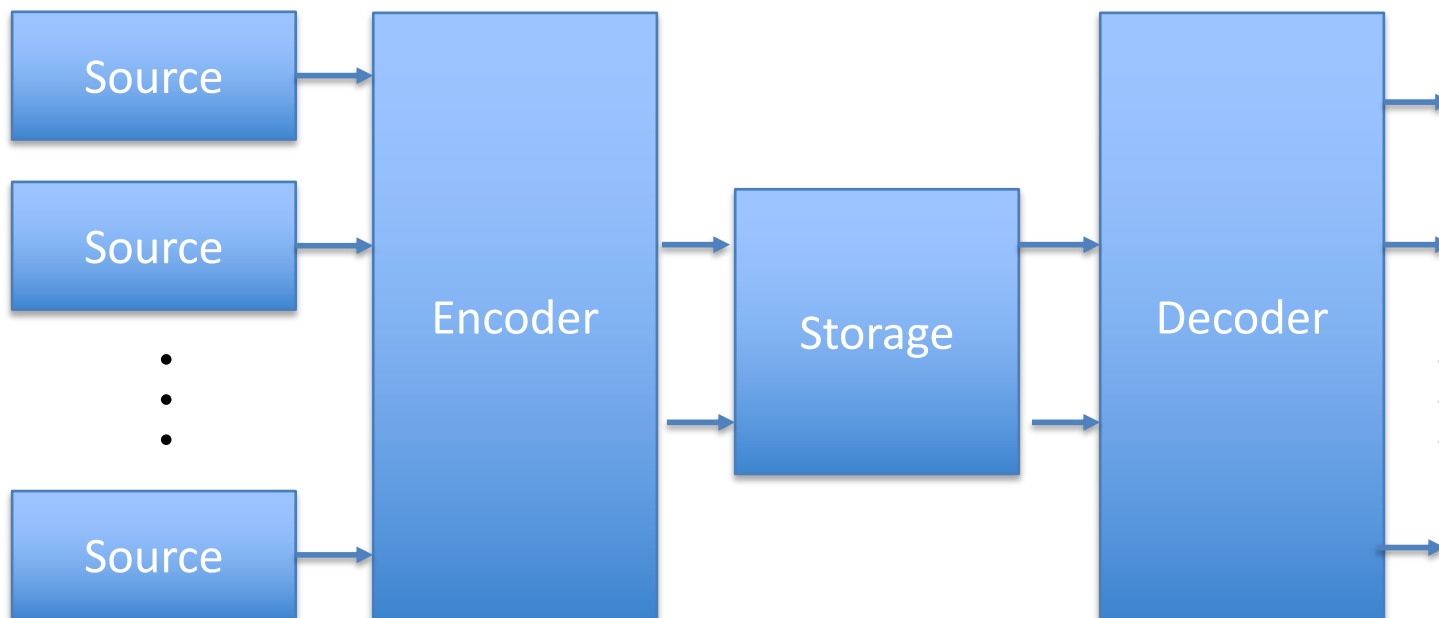


tensor  $\otimes$  tensor  $\otimes$  ...  $\otimes$  tensor

# (Quantum) information theory



Shannon: storage cost= all bits



Shannon: storage cost=  $H(X)$  bits/symbol

# A small observation

$$d = 2^n$$

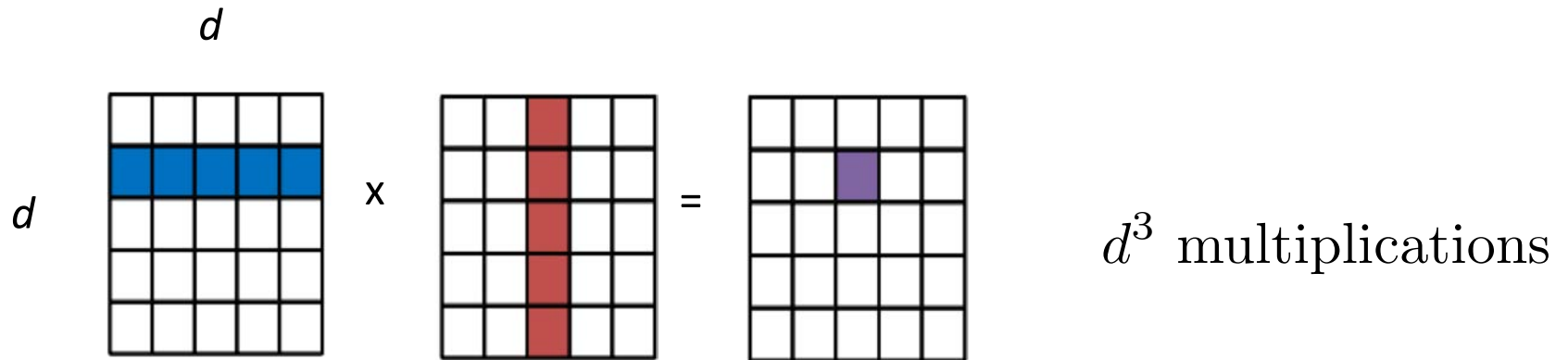
$$e_i = e_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} = e_{i_1} \otimes e_{i_2} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{i_n}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^d e_i \otimes e_i &= \left( \sum_{i_1=1}^2 e_{i_1} \otimes e_{i_1} \right) \otimes \left( \sum_{i_2=1}^2 e_{i_2} \otimes e_{i_2} \right) \otimes \dots \otimes \left( \sum_{i_n=1}^2 e_{i_n} \otimes e_{i_n} \right) \\ &= (e_0 \otimes e_0 + e_1 \otimes e_1)^{\otimes n} \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle d \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^d e_i \otimes e_i \otimes e_i = (e_0 \otimes e_0 \otimes e_0 + e_1 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_1)^{\otimes n} = \langle 2 \rangle^{\otimes n}$$

$$Mamu(d) = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^d e_{ij} \otimes e_{jk} \otimes e_{ki} = \left( \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 e_{ij} \otimes e_{jk} \otimes e_{ki} \right)^{\otimes n} = Mamu(2)^{\otimes n}$$

# Algebraic complexity theory



- Exponent of matrix multiplication  $O(d^\omega)$

$$2 \leq 2.38 \leq \dots \leq 2.8 \leq 3$$

..., Coppersmith-Winograd

Strassen

$$\omega = \inf \{ r : \langle 2 \rangle^{\otimes (nr + o(n))} \geq \text{Mamu}(2)^{\otimes n} \}$$

- Conjecture:  $\langle 2 \rangle^{\otimes 2n + o(n)} \geq \text{Mamu}(2)^{\otimes n}$

# Asymptotic resource theory

- Asymp. restriction  $t \gtrsim t'$  if  $t^{\otimes n + o(n)} \geq t'^{\otimes n}$

- Unit  $\langle r \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^r e_i \otimes e_i \otimes e_i$

- Asymp. rank  $\tilde{R}(t) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R(t^{\otimes n})^{\frac{1}{n}}$

- Asymp. subrank  $\tilde{Q}(t) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Q(t^{\otimes n})^{\frac{1}{n}}$

$$\tilde{R}(Mamu(2)) = 2^\omega$$

# Strassen's spectral theorem

$t \gtrsim t'$  iff  $F(t) \geq F(t')$  for all  $F$  :

$F$  monotone

under restriction

$F(s) \geq F(s')$  for all  $s \geq s'$

$F$  normalised

$F(\langle r \rangle) = r$

$F$  multiplicative

$F(s \otimes s') = F(s) \cdot F(s')$

$F$  additive

$F(s \oplus s') = F(s) + F(s')$

$$\tilde{R}(t) = \max_F F(t)$$

$\Rightarrow$  easy

$\Leftarrow$  difficult

$$\tilde{Q}(t) = \min_F F(t)$$

every  $F$  is an obstruction



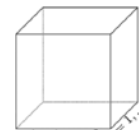
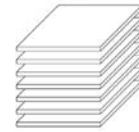
# What are the F's?

- Existence non-constructive

- Compact space worth of them

- 3 Gauge points: ranks of slicings

- Construction of others open since '80s



- Theorem also true for subclasses of tensors

- Oblique tensor

- Strassen's support functionals

# Main Result: Quantum functionals

$\theta = (\theta_A, \theta_B, \theta_C)$  probability distribution e.g.  $\theta_A = \theta_B = \theta_C = \frac{1}{3}$

operator scaling

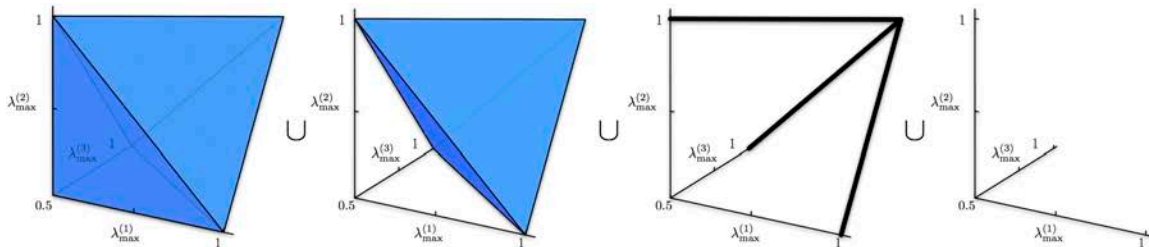
$$E_\theta(t) := \max_{\lambda \in \Delta(t)} \{ \theta_A H(\lambda_A) + \theta_B H(\lambda_B) + \theta_C H(\lambda_C) \}$$

entanglement polytope

$$F_\theta(t) := 2^{E_\theta(t)}$$

quantum functionals

Measures distance to origin (relative entropy distance)



$$E_{\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right)} \quad 1 \quad h\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \approx 0.92 \quad \frac{2}{3} \quad 0$$

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$$F_\theta(t) := 2^{E_\theta(t)}$$

$F_\theta$  monotone

easy, since polytope gets smaller under restriction  
quantum functional gets smaller

$F_\theta$  normalised

easy, since polytope of unit tensor  
contains uniform point  $F(\langle r \rangle) = r$

$F_\theta$  multiplicative

similar to multiplicativity, see paper

$F_\theta$  additive

# Multiplicativity

$$F_{\theta}(t \otimes t') = F_{\theta}(t) \cdot F_{\theta}(t')$$

$$\updownarrow F_{\theta}(t) := 2^{E_{\theta}(t)}$$

$$E_{\theta}(t \otimes t') = E_{\theta}(t) + E_{\theta}(t')$$

$\geq$

Entanglement polytope:  
Reduced density matrices

$\leq$

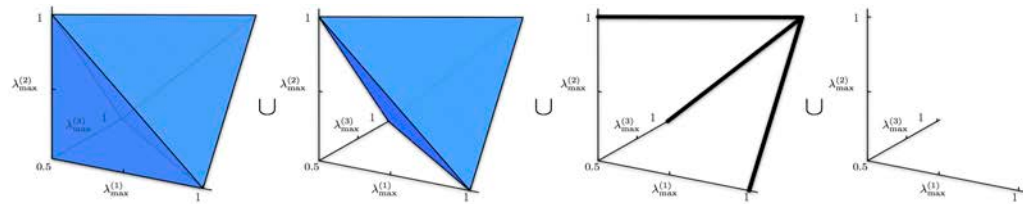
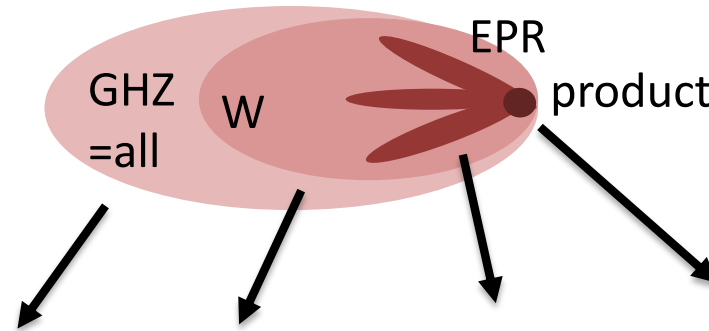
Entanglement polytopes:  
Invariant-theoretic

# Quantum functionals: Some facts

- Extend Strassen's support functionals
- Are they complete?
  - If complete, then  $\omega = 2$
- General setting of tensors of order  $k$
- Connect Strassen's framework to capset
  - Replaces recent results
  - Characterise slice-rank

# Summary

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for some matrices  $a, b, c$



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$$F_{\theta}(t) := 2^{E_{\theta}(t)}$$

If all, then  $\omega = 2$

