

Asymptotic spectra and applications II

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1. Summary of part I

1.1 Motivations


- matrix multiplication

$$\langle 2,2,2 \rangle := \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 e_{ij} \otimes e_{jk} \otimes e_{ki}, \quad R(\langle 2,2,2 \rangle) := \inf_n R(\langle 2,2,2 \rangle^{\otimes n})^{1/n}$$

\uparrow tensor rank
 \uparrow Kronecker product
 \uparrow 2^{ω}

$2 \leq \omega \leq 2.37$

- Shannon capacity

$$C_7 = \text{C}_7$$


$$\Theta(C_7) := \sup_n \alpha(C_7^{\otimes n})^{1/n}$$

\uparrow independence number
 \downarrow strong graph product

$$3.25 \leq \Theta(C_7) \leq 3.31$$

- Set (the game)

What is the maximum size of any subset $A \subseteq (\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z})^n$

such that $\forall x,y,z \in A \nexists u,v \in (\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z})^n, v \neq 0, (x,y,z) = (u, u+v, u+2v)$

$$2.4 \leq \sup_n |A|^{1/n} \leq 2.755$$

1.2. Duality: Strassen's spectral theorem

• $(S, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$ semiring

• \leq Strassen preorder

• $R(a) = \min \{n \in \mathbb{N} : a \leq n\}$ rank

• $Q(a) = \max \{n \in \mathbb{N} : n \leq a\}$ subrank

• asymptotic spectrum

$$X(S, \leq) = \{ \phi \in \text{Hom}(S, \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}) : \forall a, b \in S \ a \leq b \Rightarrow \phi(a) \leq \phi(b) \}$$

Then* $\forall a, b \in S$

• $a^N \leq b^{N+o(N)}$ iff $\forall \phi \in X(S, \leq) \ \phi(a) \leq \phi(b)$

• $R(a) := \inf_n R(a^n)^{1/n} \stackrel{!}{=} \max_{\phi \in X(S, \leq)} \phi(a)$ asymp. rank

• $\tilde{Q}(a) := \sup_n Q(a^n)^{1/n} \stackrel{!}{=} \min_{\phi \in X(S, \leq)} \phi(a)$ asymp. subrank

* under some mild assumptions

Interaction theorem $\tilde{Q}(ab) = \tilde{Q}(a)\tilde{Q}(b)$ iff $\tilde{Q}(a+b) = \tilde{Q}(a) + \tilde{Q}(b)$.

[Holzman]

Subsemiring theorem $S \leq T$ subsemiring, then $X(S, \leq_S) \leftarrow X(T, \leq)$.

1.3 Instances

(tensors, $\oplus, \otimes, I_0, I_1$)

$S \leq T$ if $\exists A, B, C \ S = (A, B, C) \cdot T$

(graphs, $\sqcup, \boxtimes, K_0, K_1$)

$G \leq H$ if there is a graph hom $\bar{G} \rightarrow \bar{H}$

$Q(G) = \alpha(G) \quad R(G) = \bar{\chi}(G)$

$\tilde{Q}(G) = \tilde{\omega}(G) \quad \tilde{R}(G) = \tilde{\chi}(G)$

2. Elements in the asymptotic spectrum of graphs

$$\{h_f^{\mathbb{F}}, \theta, \bar{\chi}_f, \bar{\chi}_f\} \subseteq X(\text{graphs})$$

$$= \left\{ \varphi: \{\text{graphs}\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \mid \begin{array}{l} \boxtimes\text{-mult, } \sqcup\text{-add,} \\ \overline{k_n}\text{-norm, } \leq\text{-mon} \end{array} \right\}$$

2.1 Fractional functions

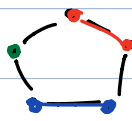
$$\cdot \bar{\chi}(G) = \min \{ n \in \mathbb{N} : \exists f: V(G) \rightarrow [n], \\ \forall u \neq v, \{u, v\} \notin E(G) \ f(u) \neq f(v) \}$$

$$\cdot \bar{\chi}(G) = \min \{ n \in \mathbb{N} : \exists f: V(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\} \\ \forall u \neq v, \{u, v\} \notin E(G) \ \langle f(u), f(v) \rangle = 0 \}$$

$$\cdot h^{\mathbb{F}}(G) = \min \{ R(M) : M \in \mathbb{F}^{V(G) \times V(G)} \\ \forall v \ M_{vv} \neq 0 \\ \forall u \neq v, \{u, v\} \notin E(G) \ M_{uv} = 0 \}$$

Lemma The above are submult, add, mon, norm.

Proof that $\alpha(G) \leq h^{\mathbb{F}}(G)$ Let $S \subseteq V(G)$ be an independent set. Let M be feasible. Then $|S| \leq R(M|_{S \times S}) \leq R(M)$.

Ex $\alpha(C_5^{\boxtimes 2}) \leq \theta(C_5) \leq \bar{\chi}(C_5)$ 

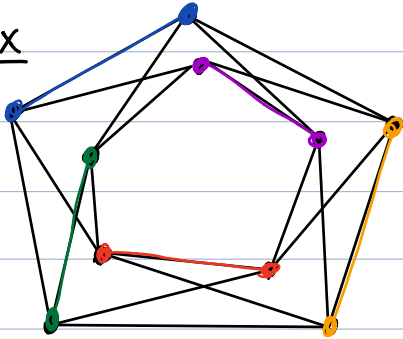
Lemma. Let $\phi: \{\text{graphs}\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ submult, add, mon, norm

Let

$$\phi_f(G) := \inf_d \frac{\phi(G[\overline{Kd}])}{d}$$

Then ϕ_f is submult, add, mon, norm.

Ex



$$\textcircled{u}(C_5) \leq \bar{\chi}_f(C_5) = \frac{5}{2}$$

Lexicographic product $V(G[H]) = V(G) \times V(H)$

$$E(G[H]) = \{ (g,h), (g',h')) : \{g,g'\} \in E(G) \text{ or } (g=g' \text{ and } \{h,h'\} \in E(H)) \}$$

Lemma Let $\phi: \{\text{graphs}\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ submult, add, mon, norm.

If $\forall G, H \phi(G[H]) \geq \phi(G[\overline{K_{\phi(H)}}])$ then

$\phi_f \in X(\text{graphs})$.

Th [Burk-Cox, Shannon, ...]

$$\{ h_f^{\#}, \bar{\chi}_f, \bar{\chi}_f \} \subseteq X(\text{graphs})$$

Proof of $h_f^{\#}(G[H]) \geq h_f^{\#}(G[\overline{K_{h_f^{\#}(H)}}])$ ← feasible

$\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$	0	*
0	$\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$	*
*	*	$\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$

feasible $\xrightarrow{\text{Gaussian elimination}}$

1	0	*
0	1	*
*	*	1

□

Rem [Bulch-ox] $h_f^{\#}$ is an infinite family

Recall: $\mathbb{H} = \mathbb{Q} \neq X$

Theorem [See Schrijver] $\bar{\chi}_f = \bar{\chi} = \bar{R} \in X(\text{graphs})$

Rem $\bar{\chi}_f(G) = \min \left\{ \sum_C x(C) \mid \begin{array}{l} x: \{\text{cliques}\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \\ \forall v \in V(G) \sum_{C \ni v} x(C) \geq 1 \end{array} \right\}$

$\bar{\chi}_f(G)$ is large (!) linear program.

2.2 Lovász theta function

$\theta(G) := \min \left\{ \lambda_1(M) : M \in \mathbb{R}^{V(G) \times V(G)} \text{ symmetric} \right\}$

largest eigenvalue

$$\forall v \quad M_{vv} = 1$$

$$\forall u \neq v, \{u, v\} \notin E(G) \quad M_{uv} = 0$$

Theorem [Lovász] $\theta \in X(\text{graphs})$

Rem $\theta(G)$ computable by small (!) semidefinite program.

Ex $A :=$ adjacency matrix of C_5

$$M := J - \frac{1}{2}(5 - \sqrt{5})A$$

$$\theta(C_5) \leq \theta(C_5) \leq \lambda_1(M) = \sqrt{5}$$

Appendix

proof that $\alpha(G) \leq \theta(G)$ Let $S \subseteq V(G)$ be an independent set. Let M be feasible in the definition of $\theta(G)$. Then $M|_{S \times S} = J_{|S|}$. Since $\Lambda(J_{|S|}) = |S|$, $\Lambda(M) \geq |S|$. \square

Proof that $\theta(G \boxtimes H) \leq \theta(G)\theta(H)$ Let M, N be feasible in the def for $\theta(G), \theta(H)$ resp.

Let $\lambda = \Lambda(M), \mu = \Lambda(N)$

Then $\lambda I - M, \mu I - N, J$ and J are PSD.

So also the following matrix is PSD

$$\begin{aligned} & (\lambda I - M) \otimes (\mu I - N) + (\lambda I - M) \otimes J + J \otimes (\mu I - N) \\ &= \lambda \mu I \otimes I - \underbrace{\left(\lambda I \otimes (N - J) + \mu (M - J) \otimes I \right.} \\ & \quad \left. - (M - J) \otimes (N - J) + J \otimes J \right)}_A \end{aligned}$$

A is feasible for $\theta(G \boxtimes H)$

$\lambda \mu I \otimes I - A$ is PSD, so $\Lambda(A) \leq \lambda \mu$. \square

3. Elements in the asymptotic spectrum of tensors

$$X(\text{tensors}) = \{ \phi : \{\text{tensors}\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} : \otimes\text{-mult}, \oplus\text{-add}, I_n\text{-norm}, \leq\text{-mon} \}$$

$$S \leq T \text{ if } \exists \text{ matrices } A, B, C \text{ s.t. } S = (A, B, C) \cdot T$$

$$S \simeq T \text{ if } \exists \text{ invertible } A, B, C \text{ s.t. } S = (A, B, C) \cdot T$$

$$S \leq T \text{ if } \exists \text{ matrices } S_1, S_2, \dots \rightarrow S \quad \forall_i S_i \leq T$$

• R^1, R^2, R^3 flattening ranks

• \mathcal{J}^θ Strassen functions

$$\theta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^3, \sum_i \theta_i = 1$$

• \mathcal{F}^θ quantum functions

3.1 Entropy

• $P = (P_1, \dots, P_d)$

• $\sum_{i=1}^d P_i = 1 \quad \forall_i P_i \geq 0$

• $\exists n \forall_i n P_i \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\binom{n}{nP} := \frac{n!}{(nP_1)! \dots (nP_d)!} = \begin{matrix} \text{number of strings in } [d]^n \\ \text{of type } P \end{matrix}$$

$$2^{nH(P) - o(n)} \leq \binom{n}{nP} \leq 2^{nH(P)}$$

$$H(P) := - \sum P_i \log_2 P_i$$

3.2 Strassen functions

$$T \in \mathbb{F}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times n_3}$$

$$\text{supp}(T) = \{(i, j, k) : T_{ijk} \neq 0\} \subseteq [n_1] \times [n_2] \times [n_3]$$

$$\mathcal{J}^\theta(T) := \min_{S \approx T} \max \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^3 \theta(i) \mathcal{H}(P_i) : P \in \mathcal{P}(\text{supp}(S)) \right\}$$

Theorem [Str] \mathcal{J}^θ submult, add, mon, norm

$$\text{Ex } W = e_1 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_2 + e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_1 + e_2 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_1$$

$$\mathcal{Q}(W) \leq \mathcal{J}^{(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3})}(W) = 2^{\sum \frac{1}{3} \mathcal{H}(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3})} = 2^{\mathcal{H}(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3})} = 1.88\dots$$

$$\text{Ex } T = e_1 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_1 + e_2 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_2 + e_3 \otimes e_3 \otimes e_3 \\ + e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_3 + \text{permutations over } \mathbb{F}_3$$

$$\mathcal{Q}(T) \leq \mathcal{J}^{(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3})}(T) = 2.755\dots \quad [\text{Tao}]$$

Proof of $\mathcal{Q}(T) \leq \mathcal{J}^\theta$ via slicerank

$$SR(T) = \min \{ R^1(X) + R^2(Y) + R^3(Z) : T = X + Y + Z \}$$

elementwise sum \uparrow

Rem SR is not submult and not supermult!

Lemma

i) $\mathcal{Q}(T) \leq SR(T)$

ii) $\mathcal{Q}(T)^n \leq SR(T^{\otimes n})$

iii) $SR(T^{\otimes n}) \leq \mathcal{J}^\theta(T)^{n+o(n)}$

Proof of iii) $\mathcal{J}^\theta(T) = \min_{S \approx T} \max_{P \in \mathcal{P}(\text{supp}(S))} 2^{\sum \theta_i N(P_i)}$

Let $S \approx T$ min and P max.

$$S = \sum_{(a,b,c) \in \text{supp} S} S_{abc} e_a \otimes e_b \otimes e_c$$

$$S^{\otimes n} = \sum_{\substack{a \in [d_1]^n \\ b \in [d_2]^n \\ c \in [d_3]^n}} S_{a_1 b_1 c_1} \dots S_{a_n b_n c_n} (e_{a_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{a_n}) \otimes (e_{b_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{b_n}) \otimes (e_{c_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{c_n})$$

- Each summand corresponds to n samples from $\text{supp}(S)$
 $(a_1, b_1, c_1), (a_2, b_2, c_2), \dots$
- Think of (a, b, c) as (empirical) distribution on $\text{supp}(S)$
- Think of $a = (a_1, a_2, \dots)$, b, c as marginal distr.
- $H(a), H(b)$ or $H(c) \leq \sum \theta_i H(P_i)$!

$$S^{\otimes n} = \sum_{\substack{a, b, c \\ H(a) \leq \sum \theta_i H(P_i)}} + \sum_{\substack{a, b, c : \\ H(b) \leq \sum \theta_i H(P_i)}} \dots + \sum_{\substack{a, b, c : \\ H(c) \leq \sum \theta_i H(P_i)}} \dots$$

$$R'() \leq \# \{ a \in [d_1]^n : H(a) \leq \sum \theta_i H(P_i) \}$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{P \in \mathcal{P}([d_1]): \\ P_n \in \mathbb{N}^{d_1}, H(P) \leq \sum \theta_i H(P_i)}} \binom{n}{P_n} = \text{poly}(n) \cdot 2^{n \sum \theta_i H(P_i)} = \text{poly}(n) \mathcal{J}^\theta(T)^n$$

□

$T \in \mathbb{F}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times n_3}$ is oblique if $\exists S \simeq T$ s.t. $\text{supp}(S) \subseteq [n_1] \times [n_2] \times [n_3]$ is an antichain in the product order.

Ex W

Theorem [Str] $\mathfrak{J}^\theta \in X(\text{oblique tensors over } \mathbb{F})$.

Rem. $\{\text{oblique}\} \subseteq \{\text{tensors}\}$ so $X(\text{oblique}) \leftarrow X(\text{tensors})$.
subsemiring $\phi/\{\text{oblique}\} \leftarrow \phi$

3.3 Quantum functions

3.3.1 Moment polytope of $T \in \mathbb{C}^{d_1 \times d_2 \times d_3}$

Flattening spectra description

$$S \in \mathbb{C}^{d_1 \times d_2 \times d_3}$$

flatten: S'

singular values: $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_{d_1} \geq 0 \in \mathbb{R}$

probability vector: $\text{spec}(S') = (\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2, \dots, \sigma_n^2) / \sum \sigma_i^2$

moment polytope:

$$\mathbb{P}(T) := \left\{ (\text{spec}(S^1), \text{spec}(S^2), \text{spec}(S^3)) : S \in \mathbb{C}^{d_1 \times d_2 \times d_3}, S \triangleq T \right\}$$

Schur-Weyl type description

$$T \in \mathbb{C}^{d_1 \times d_2 \times d_3} \simeq \mathbb{C}^{d_1} \otimes \mathbb{C}^{d_2} \otimes \mathbb{C}^{d_3}$$

$$T^{\otimes n} \in \mathbb{C}^{d_1^n \times d_2^n \times d_3^n} \simeq (\mathbb{C}^{d_1})^{\otimes n} \otimes (\mathbb{C}^{d_2})^{\otimes n} \otimes (\mathbb{C}^{d_3})^{\otimes n}$$

S_n -invariant subspace

$$\bullet \mathbb{C}^d = \bigoplus_{a \in [d]} e_a \mathbb{C}$$

$$\bullet (\mathbb{C}^d)^{\otimes n} = \bigoplus_{a \in [d]^n} e_{a_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{a_n} \mathbb{C}$$

$$\bullet (\mathbb{C}^{d_1})^{\otimes n} \otimes (\mathbb{C}^{d_2})^{\otimes n} \otimes (\mathbb{C}^{d_3})^{\otimes n} = \bigoplus_{\substack{a \in [d_1]^n \\ b \in [d_2]^n \\ c \in [d_3]^n}} (e_{a_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{a_n}) \otimes (e_{b_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{b_n}) \otimes (e_{c_1} \otimes \dots \otimes e_{c_n}) \mathbb{C}$$

$$\bullet (\mathbb{C}^d)^{\otimes n} = \bigoplus_{\lambda \vdash n} [(\mathbb{C}^d)^{\otimes n}]_{\lambda} \leftarrow S_n, GL_d\text{-invariant subspace}$$

Ex $(\mathbb{C}^d)^{\otimes 2} = [(\mathbb{C}^d)^{\otimes 2}]_{(2,0)} \oplus [(\mathbb{C}^d)^{\otimes 2}]_{(1,1)}$

$e_1 \otimes e_1, e_2 \otimes e_2,$
 $e_1 \otimes e_2 + e_2 \otimes e_1$ $e_1 \otimes e_2 - e_2 \otimes e_1$

$$(\mathbb{C}^{d_1})^{\otimes n} \otimes (\mathbb{C}^{d_2})^{\otimes n} \otimes (\mathbb{C}^{d_3})^{\otimes n} =$$

$$\oplus [(\mathbb{C}^{d_1})^{\otimes n}]_{\lambda} \otimes [(\mathbb{C}^{d_2})^{\otimes n}]_{\mu} \otimes [(\mathbb{C}^{d_3})^{\otimes n}]_{\nu}$$

$\lambda \vdash_{d_1} n$
 $\mu \vdash_{d_2} n$
 $\nu \vdash_{d_3} n$

$$T^{\otimes n} = \oplus [T^{\otimes n}]_{\lambda\mu\nu}$$

$$P(T) \stackrel{!}{=} \text{closure} \left\{ \left(\frac{\lambda}{n}, \frac{\mu}{n}, \frac{\nu}{n} \right) : \exists n [T^{\otimes n}]_{\lambda\mu\nu} \neq 0 \right\}$$

[Mumford]

3.3.2 Quantum function F^{θ}

Let $\theta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^3$, $\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3 = 1$

Let $T \in \mathbb{C}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times n_3}$

$$F^{\theta}(T) = \sup \left\{ \sum \theta_i H(x_i) : (x_1, x_2, x_3) \in P(T) \right\}$$

Th [CVZ] $F^{\theta} \in X(\text{tensors over } \mathbb{C})$.

Proof idea of $F^\theta(S \otimes T) = F^\theta(S) F^\theta(T)$

$$\supseteq P(S \otimes T) \supseteq P(S) \otimes P(T)$$

$$x \in P(S) \quad x = (\text{spec}(U^i))_i; \quad U \triangleq S$$

$$y \in P(T) \quad y = (\text{spec}(V^i))_i; \quad V \triangleq T$$

$$x \otimes y = (x_1 \otimes y_1, x_2 \otimes y_2, x_3 \otimes y_3) \quad U \otimes V \triangleq S \otimes T \\ = (\text{spec}((U \otimes V)^i))_i \in P(S \otimes T)$$

$$F^\theta(S \otimes T) \supseteq \sum 2^{\theta_i n(x_i \otimes y_i)} = \sum 2^{\theta_i (n(x_i) + n(y_i))} = F^\theta(S) F^\theta(T).$$

$$\subseteq P(S \otimes T) \subseteq P(S) \odot P(T)$$

$$:= \text{closure} \left\{ \left(\frac{v_1}{n}, \frac{v_2}{n}, \frac{v_3}{n} \right) : \exists \left(\frac{\lambda_1}{n}, \frac{\lambda_2}{n}, \frac{\lambda_3}{n} \right) \in P(S), \left(\frac{\mu_1}{n}, \frac{\mu_2}{n}, \frac{\mu_3}{n} \right) \in P(T) \right.$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Kronecker} \\ \text{coefficient} \end{array} \rightarrow k(\lambda_i, \mu_i, v_i) \neq 0 \quad \forall i \right\}$$

$$n(v_i) \leq n(\lambda_i) + n(\mu_i) \quad \forall i$$

$$F^\theta(S \otimes T) = \sum 2^{\theta_i n(z_i)} \subseteq \sum 2^{\theta_i (n(x_i) + n(y_i))} \subseteq F^\theta(S) F^\theta(T) \square$$

Th [CVZ]. $F^\theta(T) \subseteq J^\theta(T)$

T is free if $\exists S \simeq T \quad \forall a \neq b \in \text{supp}(S) \quad a, b$ differ in at least 2 coords

Th [CVZ] If T is free, then $F^\theta(T) = J^\theta(T)$

Th [CVZ] $\underset{\sim}{SR}(T) = \min_{\theta} F^\theta(T)$

4. Combinatorial aspects of X (tensors)

Combinatorial viewpoint on

- $Q(T) = \max \{n \in \mathbb{N} : I_n \subseteq T\}$
- $\tilde{Q}(T) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Q(T^{\otimes n})^{1/n}$

$$T \in \mathbb{F}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times n_3} \mapsto \text{supp}(T) \subseteq [n_1] \times [n_2] \times [n_3]$$

- 3-graph $\Phi \subseteq V_1 \times V_2 \times V_3$ (3-partite 3-uniform hypergraph)
- Φ is matching if $\forall a \neq b \in \Phi \forall i a_i \neq b_i$

$$\text{Ex. } \{(1,1,1), (2,2,2), (3,3,3)\} \quad \{(1,2,3), (2,3,1), (3,1,2)\}$$

- subset $\psi \subseteq \Phi$ is induced if $\psi = \Phi \cap (\psi_1 \times \psi_2 \times \psi_3)$ where $\psi_i = \{a_i : a \in \psi\}$.
- subrank or induced matching number $Q(\Phi)$ is the size of the largest induced $\psi \subseteq \Phi$ that is a matching.

$$\text{Ex } Q(\{(1,1,1), (2,2,2), (3,3,3), (1,2,3)\}) = 2$$

- Kronecher product

$$\Phi \otimes \Psi = \{(a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2), (a_3, b_3)\} : a \in \Phi, b \in \Psi\}$$

$$\tilde{Q}(\Phi) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Q(\Phi^{\otimes n})^{1/n}$$

Lemma

- $Q(\text{supp}(T)) \leq Q(T)$
- $\text{supp}(S \otimes T) = \text{supp}(S) \otimes \text{supp}(T)$
- $\underline{Q}(\text{supp}(T)) \leq \underline{Q}(T)$

Proof Let $\psi \subseteq \text{supp}(T)$ induced matching, so

$\psi = \text{supp}(T) \cap (\psi_1 \times \psi_2 \times \psi_3)$. Then $T|_{\psi_1 \times \psi_2 \times \psi_3} \approx I_{|\psi|}$

□

Upper bounds on $\underline{Q}(\Phi)$

$$\underline{Q}(\Phi) \leq \min_{\#} \min_{T \in \#^{n_1 \times n_2 \times n_3} : \text{supp}(T) = \Phi} \underline{Q}(T)$$

Ex Set (the game).

- $\forall x, y, z \in (\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z})^n \quad (\exists u, v \ (x, y, z) = (u, u+v, u+2v)) \Leftrightarrow x+y+z=0$
- Let $\Phi = \{(x, y, z) \in (\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z})^n : x+y+z=0\}$
- Let $A \subseteq (\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z})^n$ line-free
- $\forall x, y, z \in A \quad \exists u, v \ (x, y, z) = (u, u+v, u+2v) \Rightarrow x=y=z$
- $\forall x, y, z \in A \quad x+y+z=0 \Rightarrow x=y=z$
- Then $\Phi^{\otimes n}|_{A \times A \times A} = \{(a, a, a) : a \in A\}$, a matching!
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |A|^{\frac{1}{n}} \leq \underline{Q}(\Phi) \leq \underline{Q}(T) = 2.755$

[Ellenberg, Grigoryev, Tao, Sawin]

Lower bounds on $\underline{Q}(\Phi)$

$\Phi \subseteq V_1 \times V_2 \times V_3$ is tight if $\exists c \exists u_i: V_i \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ s.t.

$$\forall a \in \Phi \quad \sum_{i=1}^3 u_i(a_i) = c$$

Coppersmith-Winograd method Let $\text{supp}(T) = \Phi$ tight

Then

$$\underline{Q}(\Phi) = \underline{Q}(T) = \min_{\theta} \zeta^{\theta}(T)$$

Ex. $W = e_1 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_2 + e_1 \otimes e_2 \otimes e_1 + e_2 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_1$

$$\underline{Q}(\text{supp}(W)) = \underline{Q}(W) = 2.755$$

Rem [CVZ] We have an extension to k -graphs.

How about when Φ is not tight?

Combinatorial degeneration Let $\Psi \subseteq \Phi \subseteq V_1 \times V_2 \times V_3$.

$\Psi \trianglelefteq \Phi$ if $\exists c \exists u_i: V_i \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$

$$\forall a \in \Psi \quad \sum u_i(a_i) = c$$

$$\forall a \in \Phi \setminus \Psi \quad \sum u_i(a_i) > c$$

Theorem [CVZ] If $\Psi \trianglelefteq \Phi$ then $\underline{Q}(\Psi) \leq \underline{Q}(\Phi)$.

Ex Tri-colored sum-free sets

$$\Phi = \{ (x, y, z) \in (\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}) : x + y + z = \cancel{0} \}$$
$$\Psi = \{ (x, y, z) \in \{0, 1, 2\} : x + y + z = 2 \}$$
 is clearly tight!

$$\Psi \trianglelefteq \Phi \quad u_i : \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2\} : [a] \mapsto a.$$

$$2.755 \stackrel{\text{CW}}{=} \underset{\sim}{\mathbb{Q}}(\Psi) \leq \underset{\sim}{\mathbb{Q}}(\Phi) \leq 2.755$$

[Kleinberg, Sawin, Speyer, Norin, Pehody]