

Toward the classification of
(P and Q)-polynomial schemes

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$$\Gamma = (X, R)$$

pts edges

finite connected graph
undirected
no loops, no mult edges

$$X \times X \supset R_i = \left\{ (x, y) \mid \begin{array}{c} \text{distance} \\ d(x, y) = i \end{array} \right\}$$

A_i : adjacency matrix
for R_i

$$(A_i)_{xy} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } d(x, y) = i \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Γ : P-polynomial if

$$A_i = v_i(A), \quad A = A_1$$

for some polynomial $v_i(x)$
of degree i , $0 \leq i \leq D$

$$\mathcal{A} = \langle A_0 = I, A_1, \dots, A_D \rangle \subseteq \text{Mat}_X(\mathbb{C})$$

Bose-Mesner algebra

(commutative, semi-simple alg.)

$$\mathcal{A} = \langle E_0 = \frac{1}{|X|} J, E_1, \dots, E_D \rangle$$

$$I = E_0 + E_1 + \dots + E_D$$

primitive
idempotents

$$E_i E_j = \delta_{ij} E_i$$

$\mathcal{A}$ is closed under the Hadamard product
(entry wise product)

$$J = A_0 + A_1 + \dots + A_D$$

all one matrix

$$A_i \circ A_j = \delta_{ij} A_i$$

Γ : $\mathbb{Q}$ -polynomial if

$$n E_i = v_i^* (n E_1) \quad \text{w.r.t. Hadamard product}$$

for some polynomial $v_i^*(x)$

of degree i , $0 \leq i \leq D$

$$(n = |X|)$$

Problem Classify $\Gamma = (X, R)$ with
P-polynomial and Q-polynomial property
for sufficiently large D.

$\mathcal{X} = (X, \{R_i\}_{0 \leq i \leq D})$ symmetric
association scheme
(P and Q)-polynomial schemes

Bannai's lectures at OSU
late in 70's

Examples (Bannai's list, core part)

(1) Johnson scheme $J(N, D)$

Ω : set, $|\Omega| = N$, $\Omega = \Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2$ D $N-D$

$$G = \text{Sym}(\Omega) > H = \text{Sym}(\Omega_1) \times \text{Sym}(\Omega_2)$$

$$X = G/H \simeq \binom{\Omega}{D}, \quad D \leq \frac{N}{2}$$

$$\mathcal{X} = (X, \{R_i\}_{0 \leq i \leq D})$$

$$R_i \ni (x, y) \iff \begin{array}{c} G\text{-orbits on } X \times X \\ |x, y| = D - i \end{array}$$

(2) q -Johnson scheme (Grassmann scheme)

$$\Omega = \mathbb{F}_q^N$$

$$G = \text{GL}(N, q) > H = \begin{array}{c} D \quad N-D \\ \left(\begin{array}{c|c} * & * \\ \hline 0 & * \end{array} \right) \\ N-D \end{array}$$

$$X = G/H \simeq \binom{\Omega}{D}_q, \quad D \leq \frac{N}{2}$$

$$\mathcal{X} = (X, \{R_i\}_{0 \leq i \leq D})$$

$$R_i \ni (x, y) \iff \begin{array}{c} G\text{-orbits on } X \times X \\ \dim(x, y) = D - i \end{array}$$

(3) dual polar scheme

$$G = B_D(q), C_D(q), D_D(q), {}^2D_{D+1}(q) \\ O(2D+1, q), Sp(2D, q), O^+(2D, q), O^-(2D+2, q) \\ {}^2A_{2D}(q), {}^2A_{2D-1}(q) \\ U(2D+1, q), U(2D, q)$$

H : the stabilizer of
a maximal totally isotropic subspace

$X = G/H$: the set of
max. totally isotropic subspaces

$$\mathcal{X} = (X, \{R_i\}_{0 \leq i \leq D})$$

G -orbits on $X \times X$

$$R_i \ni (x, y)$$

$$\iff \dim(x, y) = D - i$$

(4) Hamming scheme $H(D, q)$

$$G = \text{Sym}(F) \wr \text{Sym}(\Omega), \quad |F|=q, |\Omega|=D$$

wreath product

$$|G| = (q!)^D \cdot D!$$

$$H = \text{Sym}(F') \wr \text{Sym}(\Omega)$$

$$F \supset F' \\ |F'| = q-1$$

$$X = G/H \simeq F^D$$

$$\mathcal{X} = (X, \{R_i\}_{0 \leq i \leq D})$$

G -orbits

$$R_i \ni (x, y)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \# \{j \mid x_j \neq y_j\} = i$$

Hamming distance

(5) Bilinear forms scheme $\text{Bil}_{D \times N}(\mathbb{F})$, $D \leq N$

$$GL(D+N, \mathbb{F}) \supset H = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} D & N \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} D \\ N \end{matrix} & \left(\begin{array}{c|c} * & * \\ \hline 0 & * \end{array} \right) \end{matrix} = L U \quad \text{Levi decomp.}$$

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} * & 0 \\ 0 & * \end{pmatrix}, \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & * \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Levi subgp unipotent subgp

$$X = H/L \simeq \text{the set of } D \times N \text{ matrices over } \mathbb{F}_q$$

$$\mathcal{X} = (X, \{R_i\}_{0 \leq i \leq D})$$

H-orbits

$$R_i \ni (x, y)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{rank}(x-y) = i$$

(6) Affine schemes

(6-1) Alternating bilinear forms scheme $\text{Alt}_n(\mathbb{F})$
dual polar scheme of type $D_n(\mathbb{F})$

$$G = O^+(2n, q) > H \quad \text{the stabilizer of a max. totally isotropic subspace of } \mathbb{F}_q^{2n}$$

$$H = L \cdot U \quad \text{Levi decomposition}$$

Levi, unipotent

$$X = H/L \cong \text{the set of alternating bilinear forms on } \mathbb{F}_q^n$$

$$\mathcal{X} = (X, \{R_i\}_{0 \leq i \leq D}), \quad D = \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor$$

H -orbits

$$R_i \ni (x, y) \iff \text{rank}(x-y) = 2i$$

(6-2) Hermitian forms scheme $\text{Her}_D(q)$

dual polar scheme of type $A_{2D-1}^2(q)$

$$G = U(2D, q) > H$$

the stabilizer of
a max. totally isotropic
subspace

$$H = L \cdot U \quad \text{Levi decomposition}$$

Levi subgrp unipotent subgrp

$$X = H/L \simeq \text{the set of hermitian forms on } \mathbb{F}_{q^2}^D$$

$$\mathcal{X} = (X, \{R_i\}_{0 \leq i \leq D})$$

$$R_i \vdash (x, y) \iff \text{rank}(x - y) = i$$

Examples (Bannai's list, relatives)

(a) bipartite half
or antipodal quotient

(b) 2nd P-poly / Q-poly structure

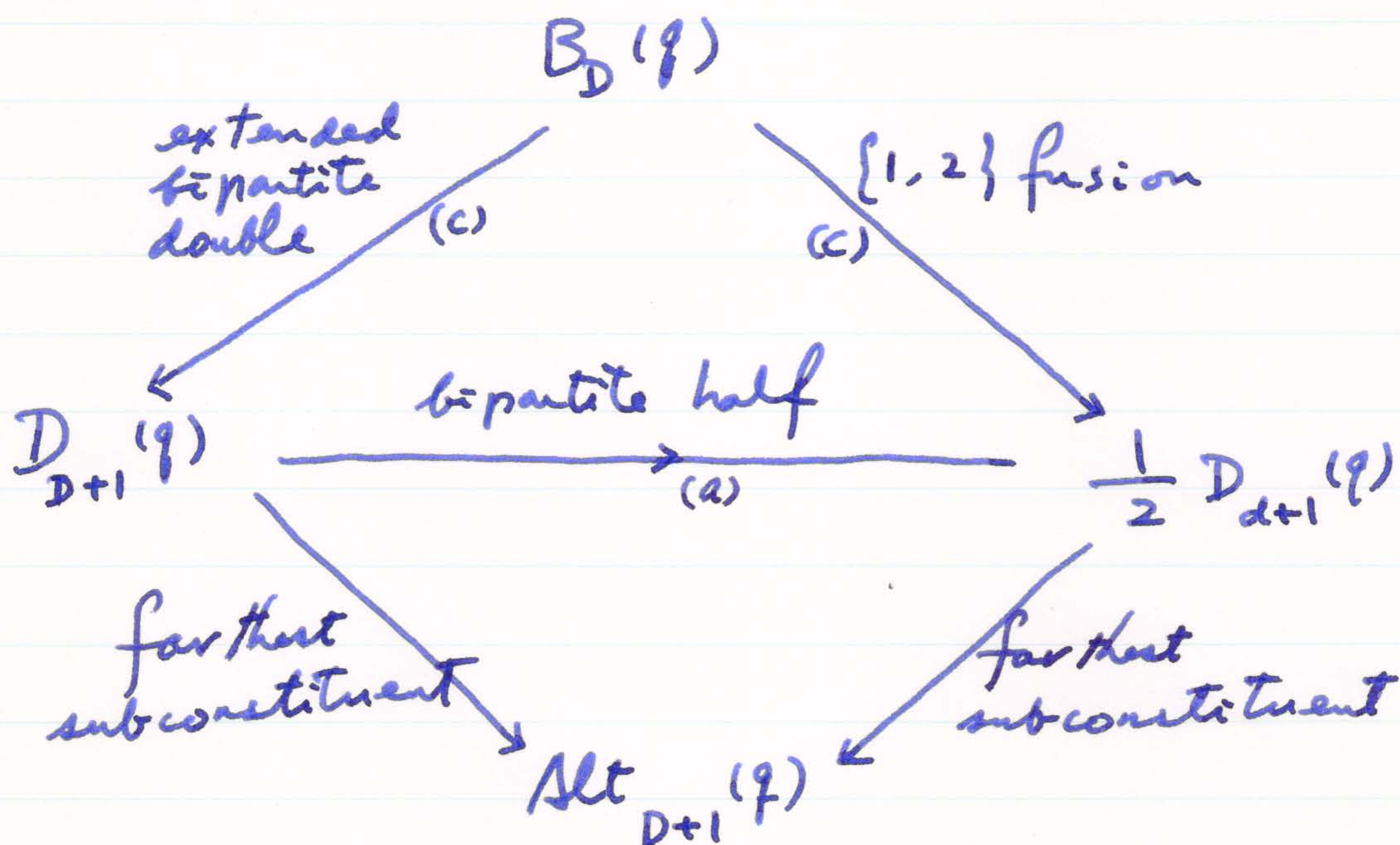
(c) extended bipartite double

or fusion scheme
or farthest subconstituent

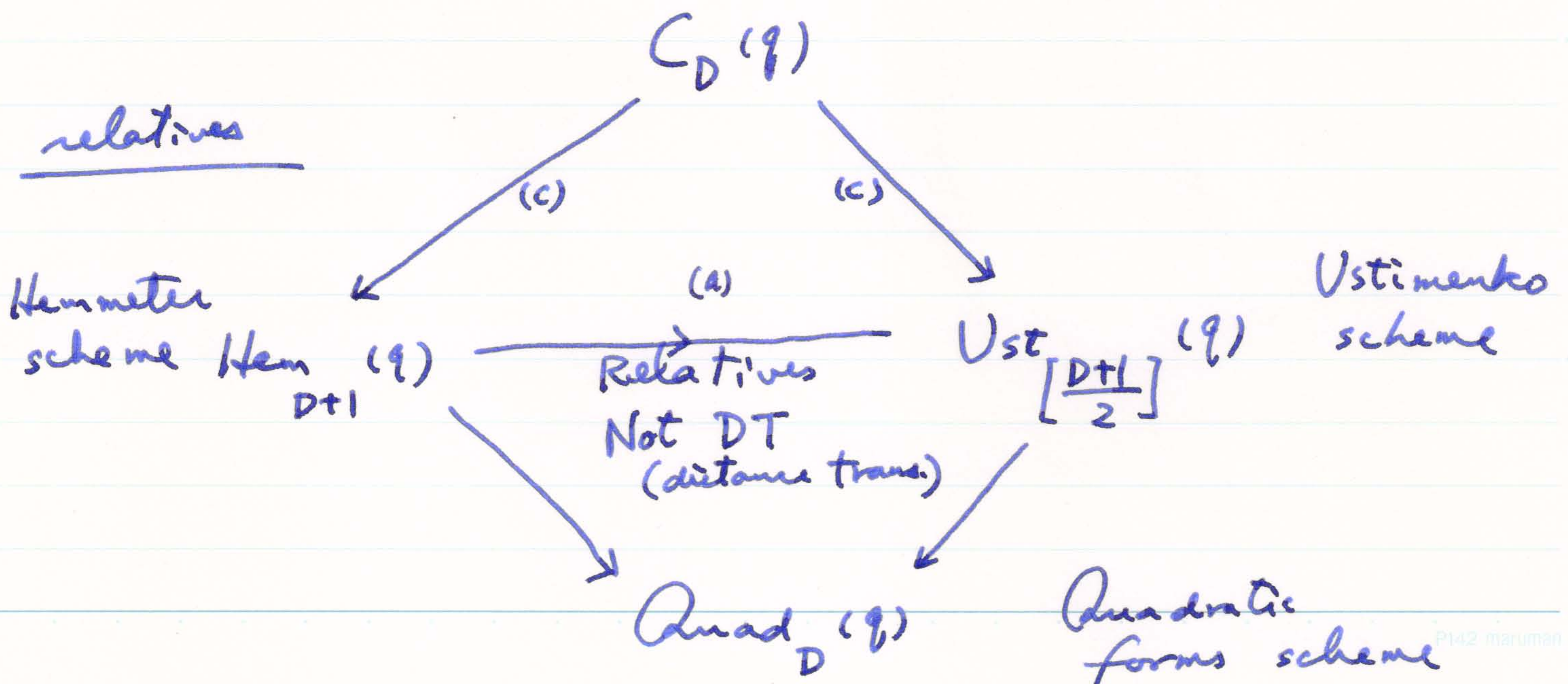
(d) same parameters

dual polar scheme of type $B_D(q)$ } same parameters
of type $C_D(q)$ }
not isomorphic if q is odd

core part



relatives



(d) relatives

twisted q -Johnson scheme $J_q^2(N, D)$
($N = 2D + 1$)

(twisted Grassmann scheme
van Dam - Koolen scheme)

$$V = \mathbb{F}_q^{2D+1} \quad (D \geq 2)$$

$\supset H$ hyper subspace
 $\dim H = 2D$

$$X_1 = \{ U \subset V \mid \dim U = D+1, U \not\subset H \}$$

$$X_2 = \{ U \subset H \mid \dim U = D-1 \}$$

$$X = X_1 \cup X_2$$

$$(U, U') \in X_1 \times X_1 \quad \text{if } \dim U \cap U' = D$$

$$\text{adjacent } X_1 \times X_2 \quad \text{if } U \supset U'$$

$$X_2 \times X_2 \quad \text{if } \dim U \cap U' = D-2$$

$$\Gamma = (X, R) \quad \text{twisted } q\text{-Johnson graph}$$

$$\mathcal{X} = (X, \{R_i\}_{0 \leq i \leq D}) \quad \text{twisted } q\text{-Johnson scheme}$$

NOT distance transitive

($\text{Aut } \Gamma$ has two orbits on X .)
same parameters with q -Johnson scheme

Doob graph

$$\Gamma = \overbrace{\Delta \times \cdots \times \Delta}^m \times H(N, 4)$$

Δ : Shrikhande graph
same parameters with $H(2, 4)$, $q=4$

Γ : same parameters with $H(N+2m, 4)$

vertex transitive

NOT DT

G : finite group

$G > H$ Gelfand pair

$$(1_H)^G = \chi_0 + \chi_1 + \dots + \chi_D$$

multiplicity free

$$\chi_i \in \text{Irr}(G), \quad \chi_i \neq \chi_j$$

$$X = G/H$$

$$V = \mathbb{C}X \quad \text{standard module}$$

$$\text{Hom}_G(V, V) \simeq eRe$$

commutative, where $R = \mathbb{C}G$: group ring

$$e = \frac{1}{|H|} \underline{H}$$

$$\underline{H} = \sum_{h \in H} h \in R$$

$$\mathcal{X} = (X, \{R_i\}_{0 \leq i \leq D})$$

G -orbits on $X \times X$

commutative association scheme

Assume ${}^t R_i = R_i$ (symmetric association scheme)
all i

i.e.

$$\forall x, y \in X \quad \exists a \in G, \quad ax = y, \quad ay = x$$

generously transitive

P-polynomial

$$\updownarrow G = \bigcup_{i=0}^D H a_i H \quad (a_0 = 1)$$

$$\underline{H a_1 H} \cdot \underline{H a_i H}$$

$$\in \mathbb{C} \underline{H a_{i-1} H} + \mathbb{C} \underline{H a_i H} + \mathbb{C} \underline{H a_{i+1} H}, \text{ all } i$$

distribution diagram w.r.t. $H a_i H$



Q-polynomial



$$I_H^G = x_0 + x_1 + \dots + x_D$$

$$(x_0 = 1_G)$$

representation diagram w.r.t. x_i

$$x_1 x_i \in \mathbb{C} x_{i-1} + \mathbb{C} x_i + \mathbb{C} x_{i+1}$$



$$\mathcal{X} = (X, \{R_i\}_{0 \leq i \leq D})$$

(P and Q) - polynomial scheme

$$A = \langle A_0, A_1, \dots, A_D \rangle$$

$$= \langle E_0, E_1, \dots, E_D \rangle$$

Bose-Mesner algebra

1st eigenmatrix $P = (P_j(i))$

$$A_j = \sum_{i=0}^D P_j(i) E_i$$

2nd eigenmatrix $Q = (Q_j(i))$

$$E_j = \frac{1}{|X|} \sum_{i=0}^D Q_j(i) A_i$$

$$P \cdot Q = Q \cdot P = n I$$

parameters of $\mathcal{X}$

$$\{P_j(i) \mid 0 \leq i \leq D, 0 \leq j \leq D\}$$

or equivalently

$$\{Q_j(i) \mid 0 \leq i \leq D, 0 \leq j \leq D\}$$

$$A_j = v_j(A), \quad A = A_1$$

eigenvalues of A : $\theta_i = P_1(i)$, $0 \leq i \leq D$

eigenvalues of A_j : $v_j(\theta_i) = P_j(i)$, $0 \leq i \leq D$

$$n E_j = v_j^*(n E), \quad E = E_1, \quad n = |X|$$

$$\theta_i^* = Q_1(i), \quad 0 \leq i \leq D$$

$$\text{Then } Q_j(i) = v_j^*(i), \quad 0 \leq i \leq D \\ 0 \leq j \leq D$$

$$\{v_j(x)\}_{j=0}^D$$

orthogonal polynomials
support $\{\theta_i\}_{i=0}^D$ weight $\{m_i\}_{i=0}^D$

$$\{v_j^*(x)\}_{j=0}^D$$

orthogonal polynomials
support $\{\theta_i^*\}_{i=0}^D$ $\{k_i\}_{i=0}^D$

$$m_i = \text{rank } E_i = Q_i(0)$$

$$k_i = \text{row sum of } A_i = P_i(0)$$

Then

$$\frac{v_j(\theta_i)}{k_j} = \frac{v_i^*(\theta_j^*)}{m_i}$$

Leonard Theorem

$$\left\{ \frac{v_i(x)}{k_i} \right\}_{i=0}^D, \quad \left\{ \frac{v_i^*(x)}{m_i} \right\}_{i=0}^D$$

are Askey-Wilson polynomials
or their limits.

(type I) parameters in terms of

$$\Lambda_I = (r_1, r_2, s, s^*; h, h^*, \theta_0, \theta_0^* | q, D)$$

$$r_1 r_2 = s s^* q^{D+1}$$

$$\theta_i = \theta_0 - h(1 - q^{-i})(1 - s q^{i+1}), \quad 0 \leq i \leq D$$

$$\theta_i^* = \theta_0^* - h^*(1 - q^{-i})(1 - s^* q^{i+1}), \quad 0 \leq i \leq D$$

$$\frac{v_i(x)}{k_i} = {}_4\phi_3 \left(\begin{matrix} q^{-i}, s^* q^{i+1}, q^{-x}, s q^{x+1} \\ q^{-D}, r_1 q, r_2 q \end{matrix}; q, q \right), \quad 0 \leq i \leq D$$

$$x = \theta_0 + h \frac{1}{q^x} (1 - q^x)(1 - s q^{x+1})$$

$$\frac{v_i^*(x)}{m_i} = {}_4\phi_3 \left(\begin{matrix} q^{-i}, s q^{i+1}, q^{-x}, s^* q^{x+1} \\ q^{-D}, r_1 q, r_2 q \end{matrix}; q, q \right), \quad 0 \leq i \leq D$$

$$x = \theta_0^* + \frac{h^*}{q^x} (1 - q^x)(1 - s^* q^{x+1})$$

(Type II) $q \rightarrow 1$

(type III) $q \rightarrow -1$

Bannai-Ito polynomials

Approach to the classification of
(P & Q)-polynomial schemes with large D

(A) show the parameters are those
in Bannai's list

Observation
core part : (1) $s^* = 0$

(2) type I : $q = p^f > 1$
for some prime p

except for $\text{Her}_D(r)$,
which has $q < -1$

(B) characterization by the parameters

present status

- (A) (Bannai-Ito) (1) $\theta_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ all i
 (2) $q = \pm 1$ or
 $q \neq \text{root of unity}$

(Terwilliger) $q \neq \pm 1$ can be assumed
 (If $q = \pm 1$, then the classification is finished)

- (B) $H(D, q)$ Egawa
 $J(N, D)$ Terwilliger
 $\text{Her}_D(r)$ Ivanov-Spectro
 Terwilliger

$J_q(N, D)$ Metsch (DZ3)
 except for $N = 2D, 2D+1$

$$N = 2D+2 + q=2, 3$$

$$N = 2D+3 + q=3$$

$\text{Bil}_{D \times N}^{(q)}$ Metsch

except for $N = D, D+1, D+2$

$$N = D+3 + q=2$$

$$\mathcal{X} = (X, \{R_i\}_{0 \leq i \leq D})$$

symmetric
association scheme

Terwilliger's theory

Terwilliger algebra w.r.t. $x_0 \in X$

$$T = T(x_0) = \langle \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}^* \rangle \subseteq \text{End}(V)$$

$$\mathcal{A} = \langle \overset{I}{\parallel} A_0, \overset{A}{\parallel} A_1, \dots, A_D \rangle \quad (V = \mathbb{C}X \text{ standard module})$$

Bose-Mesner alg.

$$\mathcal{A}^* = \langle \overset{I}{\parallel} A_0^*, \overset{A^*}{\parallel} A_1^*, \dots, A_D^* \rangle$$

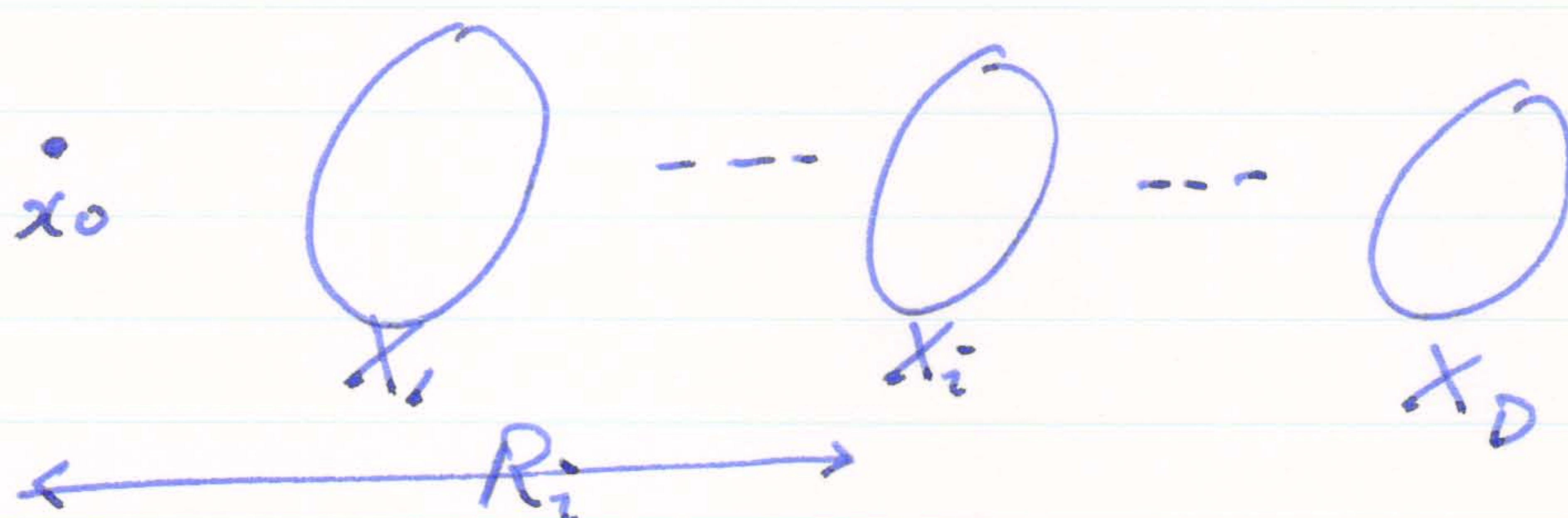
$$A_j^* \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{i=0}^D Q_j(i) E_i^*$$

where

$$E_i^* : V \longrightarrow V_i^* = \mathbb{C}X_i$$

orthogonal projection

$$X_i = \{x \in X \mid (x_0, x) \in R_i\}$$



$$I = E_0^* + E_1^* + \dots + E_D^*$$

$$E_i^* E_j^* = \delta_{ij} E_i^*$$

$$J = A_0 + A_1 + \dots + A_D$$

$$A_i \circ A_j = \delta_{ij} A_i \quad \text{Hadamard product}$$

$$A_j^* = \sum_{i=0}^D Q_j(i) E_i^*$$

$$\updownarrow$$

$$n E_j = \sum_{i=0}^D Q_j(i) A_i \quad (n = |X|)$$

$$A^* = \langle A_0^*, A_1^*, \dots, A_D^* \rangle \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{dual} \\ \text{Bose-Mesner} \\ \text{algebra} \end{array}$$

w.r.t.
ordinary matrix product

$\cong$

$$A^0 = \langle n E_0, n E_1, \dots, n E_D \rangle$$

w.r.t. Hadamard product

Terwilliger algebra

$$T = T(x_0) = \langle A, A^* \rangle \quad \text{non-commutative semi-simple}$$

$$V = \mathbb{C}X = \bigoplus_{i=0}^D V_i, \quad V_i = E_i V$$

$$= \bigoplus_{i=0}^D V_i^*, \quad V_i^* = E_i^* V$$

P-polynomial w.r.t. $A = A_1$

$$\Leftrightarrow A V_i^* \subseteq V_{i-1}^* + V_i^* + V_{i+1}^* \quad \text{all } i$$

Q-polynomial w.r.t. $E = E_1$, i.e., $A^* = A_1^*$

$$\Leftrightarrow A^* V_i \subseteq V_{i-1} + V_i + V_{i+1} \quad \text{all } i$$

$$\mathcal{X} = (X, \{R_i\}_{0 \leq i \leq D})$$

(P & Q)-poly. scheme

$X \neq x_0$ fixed

$$T = T(x_0) = \langle A, A^* \rangle$$

$$= \langle A, A^* \rangle, \quad A = A_1, \quad A^* = A_1^*$$

$V \supset W$ irreducible T -module

$\parallel$
① X standard module

A, A^* are diagonalizable on W

$$W = \bigoplus_{i=0}^d W_i, \quad W_i = E_{\mu+i} W$$

$$W = \bigoplus_{i=0}^d W_i^*, \quad W_i^* = E_{\nu+i}^* W$$

eigenspace decomposition of A, A^*

$$A|_{W_i} = \delta_{i+\mu}, \quad A^*|_{W_i^*} = \delta_{i+\nu}$$

$$\begin{cases} A W_i^* \subseteq W_{i-1}^* + W_i^* + W_{i+1}^*, & \text{all } i \\ A^* W_i \subseteq W_{i-1} + W_i + W_{i+1}, & \text{all } i \end{cases}$$

Such a pair $A|_W, A^*|_W \in \text{End}(W)$

is called a tridiagonal pair
(TD-pair)

TD-pair A, A^T on W is called thin
if $\dim W_i = 1, \dim W_i^T = 1$ all i .

A thin TD-pair is called a Leonard pair
(L-pair)

principal T-module

$$W_0 = Tx_0, \quad (x \mapsto x_0 \text{ the fixed base vertex})$$

- irreducible and thin
- contains the same information as the Bose-Mesner algebra, i.e., all the information of parameters

Terrill's

Leonard Theorem

II

classification of L-pairs

VI

principal T-modules

$V \supset W$ mod. T -module

$$W = \bigoplus_{i=0}^d W_i^*, \quad W_i^* = E_{v+i}^* W$$

$$v = \min \{ i \mid E_i^* W \neq 0 \}$$

endpoint of W

$$d = \# \{ i \mid E_i^* W \neq 0 \} - 1$$

diameter of W

(Ito-Terwilliger)

$$\dim W_0^* = 1 \quad (\dim W_0 = 1)$$

local eigenvalue $\lambda_0(W)$

the eigenvalue of $E_v^* A E_v^*$ on W_0

$$\mu = \min \{ i \mid E_i W \neq 0 \}$$

dual endpoint of W

$$W = \bigoplus_{i=0}^d W_i, \quad W_i = E_{\mu+i} W$$

Suppose W is thin, i.e. $\dim W_i = 1$
 $\dim W_i^* = 1$
all i

Then the isomorphism class of W
is determined by

$$(\nu, \mu, d, a_0(W)).$$

Terwilliger's lecture notes (unpublished)

— If $\nu=1$, then the isomorphism class
of an irreducible T -module W
is determined by the local
eigenvalue $a_0(W)$

— # isomorphism classes of
irreducible thin T -modules with $\nu=1$
 ≤ 4

the corresponding local eigenvalues $a_0(W)$
are the zeros of the Terwilliger polynomial
(degree 4)

- If $v=1$, a non thin irreducible
T-module W has $d = D-1$
diameter

and

$$\dim W_0 = \dim W_d = 1$$

$$\dim W_i = 2, \quad 1 \leq i \leq d-1$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \text{and} \\ \dim W_0^* = \dim W_d^* = 1 \\ \dim W_i^* = 2, \quad 1 \leq i \leq d-1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Ito - Terwilliger Theory

type I $V \supset W$ mod. T -module
 $q \neq \text{root of unity}$

$\exists$ algebra homomorphism

$$U_{\sqrt{q}}(\widehat{\mathfrak{sl}}_2) \longrightarrow T|_W$$

quantum affine alg.

i.e. W has a $U_{\sqrt{q}}(\widehat{\mathfrak{sl}}_2)$ -module structure (tensor product of evaluation modules)

classification of TD-pairs (type I)

a TD-pair = a sort of
tensor product
of L-pairs

Def $\Gamma = (X, R)$ P-polynomial + Q-polynomial
(Distance Regular)

$X \ni x_0 \quad T = T(x_0)$, Ternitziger alg

$x_0' \quad T' = T(x_0')$

$V = \mathbb{C}X$ standard module

Γ is pseudo distance-transitive
(DT)

if $T V \cong T' V$ (isomorphic)

for any $x_0, x_0' \in X$,

where T and T' are identified

by $E_i^* \longleftrightarrow E_i^{*'}$

$\left(\begin{array}{l} T = \langle A, E_0^*, E_1^*, \dots, E_D^* \rangle \\ T' = \langle A, E_0^{*'}, E_1^{*'}, \dots, E_D^{*'} \rangle \end{array} \right)$

Rm DT $\Rightarrow$ pseudo DT.

Problem I Classify $(P \& Q)$ -polynomial schemes ~~with~~ with the properties (I), (II):

(I) pseudo DT.

(II) all irreducible T -modules are thin.

Problem II Classify $(P \& Q)$ -polynomial schemes with the property (I).

Terwilliger might have expected that (I), (II) holded always.

counter examples:

twisted q -Johnson	for (I)
affine schemes	for (II)

(Gavrilyuk - Koolen)

characterization of $J_q(N, D)$, $N=2D$

zeros of the Terwilliger poly. = 3
one of the three zeros
is a double zero

they are actually the local eigenvalues
on the 1st subconstituent

irreducible T -modules with $v=1$
are thin

1st subconstituent $\cong$ q -clique
extension
of a grid.

The 1st + 2nd subconstituents
determine the global structure