

Distance k -Graphs of Direct Product Graphs and their Asymptotic Spectral Distributions

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1. Asymptotic Spectral Analysis of Growing Graphs

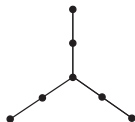
1.1. Graphs and Spectra

Definition (graph)

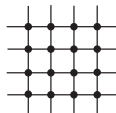
A *graph* is a pair $G = (V, E)$, where V is the set of *vertices* and E the set of *edges*. We write $x \sim y$ (adjacent) if they are connected by an edge.



complete graph K_5



star graph



2-dim lattice



homogeneous tree T_4

► In this talk we consider only *finite graphs*.

1.1. Graphs and Spectra

$G = (V, E)$: a finite graph, i.e., $|V| < \infty$

Definition (adjacency matrix and spectrum)

The *adjacency matrix* of a graph $G = (V, E)$ is defined by

$$A = [A_{xy}]_{x,y \in V} \quad A_{xy} = \begin{cases} 1, & x \sim y, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The *spectrum* of G is defined by

$$\text{Spec}(G) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc} \cdots & \lambda_i & \cdots \\ \cdots & m_i & \cdots \end{array} \right) \quad \begin{array}{l} \lambda_i : \text{distinct eigenvalues of } A \\ m_i : \text{multiplicities} \end{array}$$

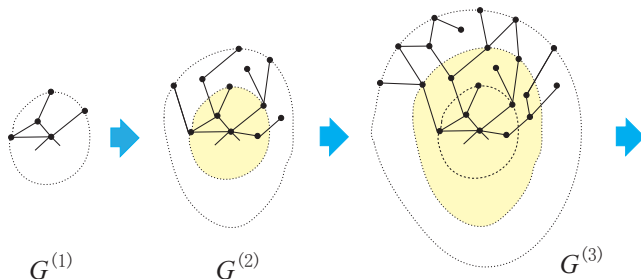
► $\text{Spec}(G)$ is a fundamental invariant of finite graphs.

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1.2. Growing Graphs

$G^{(\nu)} = (V^{(\nu)}, E^{(\nu)})$: a growing graph (ν : growing parameter)



Problem (asymptotic spectral analysis)

Describe the *asymptotic behaviour* of $\text{Spec}(G^{(\nu)})$ as $\nu \rightarrow \infty$.

- ▶ Potential application: Modeling a growing complex network in the real world
 \implies “spectral model” or “spectral reconstruction” of networks (in progress)

1.3. Formulation of Problem

- 1 Adjacency algebra $\mathcal{A}(G)$, that is, the $*$ -algebra generated by A .
- 2 Equipped with a state $\varphi(\cdot) = \langle \cdot \rangle$, $\mathcal{A}(G)$ becomes an *algebraic probability space*.
- 3 The adjacency matrix A as a *real (algebraic) random variable* of (\mathcal{A}, φ) .

► In this talk we consider the normalized trace:

$$\langle a \rangle_{\text{tr}} = \frac{1}{|V|} \text{Tr}(a) = \frac{1}{|V|} \sum_{x \in V} \langle \delta_x, a \delta_x \rangle, \quad a \in \mathcal{A}(G)$$

► The *spectral distribution* μ of A is determined (uniquely because G is finite) by

$$\langle A^m \rangle_{\text{tr}} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x^m \mu(dx), \quad m = 1, 2, \dots$$

► μ coincides with the *eigenvalue distribution* of A :

$$\mu = \frac{1}{|V|} \sum_i m_i \delta_{\lambda_i}, \quad \text{Spec}(G) = \begin{pmatrix} \cdots & \lambda_i & \cdots \\ \cdots & m_i & \cdots \end{pmatrix}$$

1.3. Formulation of Problem (cont)

Main Problem

Let $G^{(\nu)} = (V^{(\nu)}, E^{(\nu)})$ be a growing graph and let $\varphi_\nu(\cdot) = \langle \cdot \rangle_\nu$ be a state on $\mathcal{A}(G^{(\nu)})$. Find a probability distribution μ on \mathbb{R} satisfying

$$\left\langle \left(\frac{A^{(\nu)} - \langle A^{(\nu)} \rangle_\nu}{\Sigma_\nu(A^{(\nu)})} \right)^m \right\rangle_\nu \longrightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x^m \mu(dx), \quad m = 1, 2, \dots,$$

where the left-hand side is normalized with

$$\langle A^{(\nu)} \rangle_\nu : \text{mean,}$$

$$\Sigma_\nu^2(A^{(\nu)}) = \langle (A^{(\nu)} - \langle A^{(\nu)} \rangle_\nu)^2 \rangle_\nu : \text{variance.}$$

The above μ is called the *asymptotic spectral distribution* of $G^{(\nu)}$ in the states $\langle \cdot \rangle_\nu$.

- 1 If the limit of LHS exists, so does μ by Hamburger's theorem.
- 2 Uniqueness of μ does not hold in general due to the indeterminate moment problem.

1.4. Quantum Probabilistic Approach

① Quantum decomposition of adjacency matrix

- ⇒ One-mode interacting Fock spaces
- ⇒ Orthogonal polynomials and classical analysis

homogeneous trees, Hamming graphs, Johnson graphs, odd graphs, other distance regular graphs, Cayley graphs of S_∞ , spidernets, ...

② Graph product structure

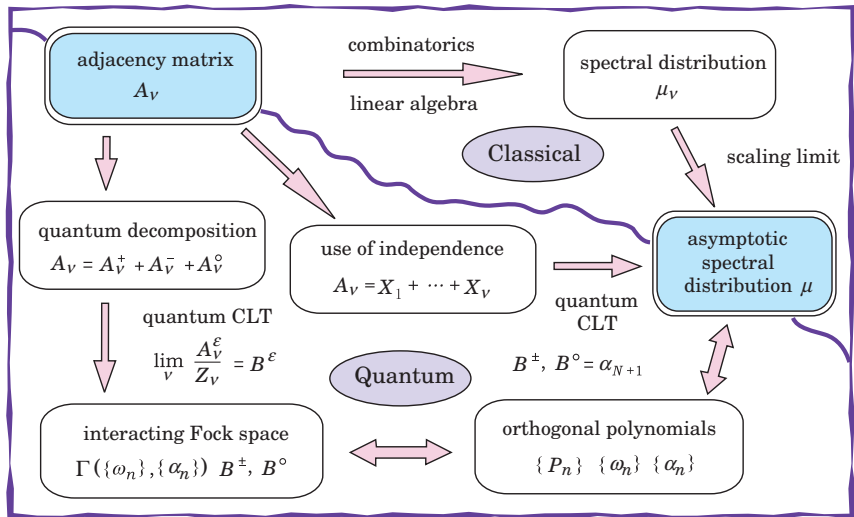
- ⇒ Adjacency matrix as a sum of “independent” random variables
- ⇒ quantum central limit theorem

direct product, free product, comb product (hierarchical product of Godsil–McKay, 1978), star product

[1] A. Hora and N. Obata: *Quantum Probability and Spectral Analysis of Graphs*, Springer, 2007.

[2] Refinements, generalizations, applications during the last few years: digraphs, weighted graphs, ..., random walks, quantum walks, ...

1.4. Quantum Probabilistic Approach (illustration)



2. Distance k -Graphs of Direct Product Graphs

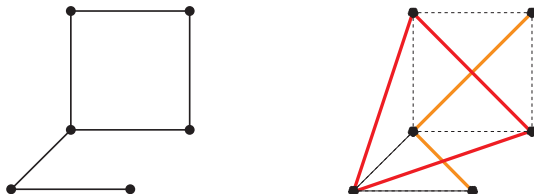
2.1 Distance k -Graph

Definition (Distance k -graph)

Let $G = (V, E)$ be a graph. For $k \geq 1$ the *distance k -graph* of G is a graph

$$G^{[k]} = (V, E^{[k]}), \quad E^{[k]} = \{\{x, y\}; x, y \in V, \partial_G(x, y) = k\},$$

where $\partial_G(x, y)$ is the graph distance.



► The adjacency matrix of $G^{[k]}$ coincides with the k -th distance matrix of G defined by

$$D_k = [(D_k)_{xy}]_{x,y \in V} \quad (D_k)_{xy} = \begin{cases} 1, & \partial_G(x, y) = k, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

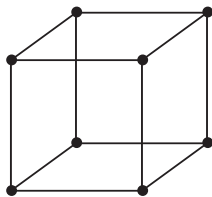
2.2. Distance k -Graphs of Direct Product Graphs

$G = (V, E)$: a finite graph with $|V| \geq 2$

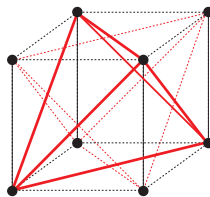
$G^N = G \times \cdots \times G$: N -fold direct power ($N \geq 1$)

$G^{[N,k]}$: the distance k -graph of G^N ($1 \leq k \leq N$)

$A^{[N,k]}$: the adjacency matrix of $G^{[N,k]}$



$K_2 \times K_2 \times K_2$



$(K_2 \times K_2 \times K_2)^{[2]}$

Our Question

For fixed $k \geq 1$ find the asymptotic spectral distribution of $A^{[N,k]}$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$ in the normalized trace.

2.3 $A^{[N,k]}$ for $k = 1$

$G = (V, E)$: a finite graph with $|V| \geq 2$, D_l : the l -th distance matrix of G

$G^N = G \times \cdots \times G$: N -fold direct power ($N \geq 1$)

$G^{[N,k]}$: the distance k -graph of G^N ($1 \leq k \leq N$)

$A^{[N,k]}$: the adjacency matrix of $G^{[N,k]}$

For $k = 1$ we have $G^{[N,1]} = G^N$ and

$$A^{[N,1]} = \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{1} \otimes \cdots \otimes D_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{1} \quad (D_1 \text{ at } i\text{-th position}),$$

where D_1 is the adjacency matrix (1st distance matrix) of G

Theorem (Commutative (classical) central limit theorem)

$$\frac{A^{[N,1]}}{N^{1/2}} \xrightarrow{m} \left(\frac{2|E|}{|V|} \right)^{1/2} g \quad (\text{convergence in moments}),$$

where g is a real algebraic random variable obeying the normal law $N(0, 1)$.

We only need to note that

$$\varphi_{\text{tr}}(D_1) = 0, \quad \varphi_{\text{tr}}(D_1^2) = \frac{2|E|}{|V|} = (\text{mean degree of } G)$$

2.4. Special Case: Distance k -Graphs of Hypercubes

$G^N = K_2 \times \cdots \times K_2$: N -dimensional hypercube

$G^{[N,k]}$: the distance k -graph of G^N ($1 \leq k \leq N$)

Theorem (Kurihara–Hibino (IDAQP, 2011))

For $k = 2$ we have

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \varphi_{\text{tr}} \left(\left(\frac{A^{[N,2]}}{\binom{N}{2}^{1/2}} \right)^m \right) = \int_{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}^{\infty} x^m \frac{e^{-(\sqrt{2}x+1)/2}}{\sqrt{\pi(\sqrt{2}x+1)}} dx, \quad m = 1, 2, \dots,$$

where the probability distribution in the right-hand side is the normalized χ_1^2 -distribution. In our notation we have

$$\frac{A^{[N,2]}}{N} \xrightarrow{m} \frac{1}{2} \tilde{H}_2(g).$$

► Proof is by *quantum decomposition*. (The case of $k \geq 3$ is not covered.)

► The distribution of $\frac{\tilde{H}_2(g)}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{g^2 - 1}{\sqrt{2}}$ is the normalized χ_1^2 -distribution.

2.4. Special Case: Distance k -Graphs of Hypercubes (cont)

Theorem (O. (BCP, 2012))

For a general $k \geq 1$ we have

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \varphi_{\text{tr}} \left(\left(\frac{A^{[N,k]}}{N^{k/2}} \right)^m \right) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{k!} \tilde{H}_k(x) \right\}^m \frac{e^{-x^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dx, \quad m = 1, 2, \dots$$

where $\tilde{H}_k(x)$ are the “normalized” Hermite polynomials (OP wrt $N(0, 1)$):

$$\tilde{H}_0(x) = 1, \quad \tilde{H}_1(x) = x, \quad x\tilde{H}_k(x) = \tilde{H}_{k+1}(x) + k\tilde{H}_{k-1}(x).$$

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- 1 $A^{[1]}A^{[k]} = (k+1)A^{[k+1]} + (N-k+1)A^{[k-1]}$
- 2 $A^{[N,k]} = K_k^{(N)}(A^{[N,1]})/k!$, where $K_k^{(N)}(x)$ are Kravtchouk polynomials modified so as to be OP wrt $\beta_N = \sum_j \binom{N}{j} \frac{1}{2^j} \delta_{-N+2j}$
- 3 $\beta_N \sim N(0, N)$ and $N^{-k/2} K_k^{(N)}(\sqrt{N}x) \sim \tilde{H}_k(x)$

3. Asymptotic Spectral Distribution of $G^{[N,k]}$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$

Joint work with

Yuji Hibino (Saga University, Japan) and
Hun Hee Lee (Chungbuk National University, Korea)

3.1. Main Result

$G = (V, E)$: a finite graph with $|V| \geq 2$

$G^N = G \times \cdots \times G$: N -fold direct power ($N \geq 1$)

$G^{[N,k]}$: the distance k -graph of G^N ($1 \leq k \leq N$)

$A^{[N,k]}$: the adjacency matrix of $G^{[N,k]}$

regarded as a real random variable of $(\mathcal{A}(G^{[N,k]}), \varphi_{\text{tr}})$

Theorem (Hibino-Lee-O. (2012))

For any $k \geq 1$ we have

$$\frac{A^{[N,k]}}{N^{k/2}} \xrightarrow{m} \left(\frac{2|E|}{|V|} \right)^{k/2} \frac{1}{k!} \tilde{H}_k(g),$$

where g is a real algebraic random variable $\sim N(0, 1)$. The limit distribution does not depend on the detailed structure of G !

$\tilde{H}_k(x)$: the “normalized” Hermite polynomials (OP wrt $N(0, 1)$) verifying

$$\tilde{H}_0(x) = 1, \quad \tilde{H}_1(x) = x, \quad x\tilde{H}_n(x) = \tilde{H}_{n+1}(x) + n\tilde{H}_{n-1}(x)$$

► For $k \geq 3$ the uniqueness of the limit distribution is not known. Probably does not hold, cf. [Berg (Ann. Prob. 1988)].

3.2. Idea of the Proof

$G = (V, E)$: a finite graph with $|V| \geq 2$ with the l -th distance matrix D_l

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Lemma

$$A^{[N,k]} = B^{[N,k]} + C(N, k),$$

where

$$B^{[N,k]} = \sum 1 \otimes \cdots \otimes D_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes D_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes 1 \quad (D_1 \text{ appears } k \text{ times})$$

$$C(N, k) = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda(k) \setminus \{\lambda_0\}} C(\lambda), \quad \lambda_0 = (k, 0, 0, \dots),$$

$$C(\lambda) = \sum 1 \otimes \cdots \otimes D_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes D_l \otimes \cdots \otimes 1,$$

D_l appears j_l times according to $\lambda = (j_1, j_2, \dots) \in \Lambda(k)$

Strategy:

$$\frac{B^{[N,k]}}{N^{k/2}} \xrightarrow{m} \left(\frac{2|E|}{|V|} \right)^{k/2} \frac{1}{k!} \tilde{H}_k(g), \quad \frac{C(N, k)}{N^{k/2}} \xrightarrow{m} 0 \implies \text{Result}$$

3.3. Algebraic Convergence Lemma (A Technical Tool)

Definition (Convergence in moments)

For $a_n = a_n^*$ in $(\mathcal{A}_n, \varphi_n)$ and $a = a^*$ in (\mathcal{A}, φ) we say that

$$a_n \xrightarrow{m} a \iff \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi_n(a_n^m) = \varphi(a^m), \quad m = 1, 2, \dots$$

► For any polynomial $p(x)$ we have

$$a_n \xrightarrow{m} a \implies p(a_n) \xrightarrow{m} p(a).$$

► However, it does not hold in general that

$$a_n \xrightarrow{m} a, \quad b_n \xrightarrow{m} b \implies p(a_n, b_n) \xrightarrow{m} p(a, b)$$

for a non-commutative polynomial $p(x, y)$.

3.3. Algebraic Convergence Lemma (A Technical Tool)

Lemma (Algebraic convergence lemma)

Let $a_n = a_n^*$, $z_{1n} = z_{1n}^*$, \dots , $z_{kn} = z_{kn}^*$ be real random variables in $(\mathcal{A}_n, \varphi_n)$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Assume the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i) There exist a real random variable $a = a^* \in \mathcal{A}$ and $\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_k \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$a_n \xrightarrow{m} a, \quad z_{in} \xrightarrow{m} \zeta_i 1, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, k;$$

- (ii) $\{a_n, z_{1n}, \dots, z_{kn}\}$ have uniformly bounded mixed moments in the sense that

$$C_m = \sup_n \max \left\{ \left| \varphi(a_n^{\alpha_1} z_{1n}^{\beta_1} \cdots z_{kn}^{\gamma_1} \cdots a_n^{\alpha_i} z_{1n}^{\beta_i} \cdots z_{kn}^{\gamma_i} \cdots) \right|; \right. \\ \left. \begin{array}{l} \alpha_i, \beta_i, \gamma_i \geq 0 \text{ are integers} \\ \sum_i (\alpha_i + \beta_i + \cdots + \gamma_i) = m \end{array} \right\} < \infty;$$

- (iii) φ_n is a tracial state for $n = 1, 2, \dots$.

Then, for any non-commutative polynomial $p(x, y_1, \dots, y_k)$ we have

$$p(a_n, z_{1n}, \dots, z_{kn}) \xrightarrow{m} p(a, \zeta_1 1, \dots, \zeta_k 1).$$

3.4. Convergence (I): $\frac{B^{[N,k]}}{N^{k/2}} \xrightarrow{m} \left(\frac{2|E|}{|V|}\right)^{k/2} \frac{1}{k!} \tilde{H}_k(g)$

$$\tilde{B}^{[N,k]} = \sum 1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \tilde{D}_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \tilde{D}_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes 1, \quad \tilde{D}_1 = \left(\frac{2|E|}{|V|}\right)^{-1/2} D_1$$

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- 1 $\frac{\tilde{B}^{[1]}}{N^{1/2}} \xrightarrow{m} g = \tilde{H}_1(g)$ (commutative CLT)
 - 2 $(k+1)\tilde{B}^{[k+1]} = \tilde{B}^{[1]}\tilde{B}^{[k]} - (N-k+1)\tilde{B}^{[k-1]} - F_{N,k}$
 - 3 For each $k = 1, 2, \dots$ there exists a polynomial $p_k(x, y_1, \dots, y_{k-1})$ such that

$$\frac{\tilde{B}^{[k]}}{N^{k/2}} = p_k\left(\frac{\tilde{B}^{[1]}}{N^{1/2}}, \frac{F_1(z)}{N}, \frac{F_2(z)}{N^{3/2}}, \dots, \frac{F_{k-1}(z)}{N^{k/2}}\right) + Z_{k,N},$$

Moreover, where the arguments are mutually commutative and

$$\frac{F_i(z)}{N^{(k+1)/2}} \xrightarrow{m} 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, k-1, \quad Z_{k,N} \xrightarrow{m} 0$$

- 4 By induction

$$(k+1)! \frac{B^{[k+1]}}{N^{(k+1)/2}} \xrightarrow{m} g\tilde{H}_k(g) - k\tilde{H}_{k-1}(g) = \tilde{H}_{k+1}(g)$$

3.5. Convergence (II): $\frac{A^{[N,k]}}{N^{k/2}} \xrightarrow{m} \left(\frac{2|E|}{|V|}\right)^{k/2} \frac{1}{k!} \tilde{H}_k(g)$

$$\frac{A^{[N,k]}}{N^{k/2}} = \frac{B^{[N,k]}}{N^{k/2}} + \frac{C(N,k)}{N^{k/2}}$$

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① We have shown that

$$\frac{B^{[N,k]}}{N^{k/2}} \xrightarrow{m} \left(\frac{2|E|}{|V|}\right)^{k/2} \frac{1}{k!} \tilde{H}_k(g)$$

② It is sufficient to show that

$$\frac{C(N,k)}{N^{k/2}} \xrightarrow{m} 0$$

③ $C(N,k)$ is a sum of

$$C(\lambda) = \sum 1 \otimes \cdots \otimes D_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes D_l \otimes \cdots \otimes 1, \quad \lambda \in \Lambda(k), \quad \lambda \neq (k, 0, 0, \dots),$$

where D_l appears j_l times according to $\lambda = (j_1, j_2, \dots) \in \Lambda(k)$

④ Counting the number of terms of $C(\lambda)$ and noting uniformly bounded mixed moments, we can show

$$\frac{C(\lambda)}{N^{k/2}} \xrightarrow{m} 0, \quad \lambda \in \Lambda(k), \quad \lambda \neq (k, 0, 0, \dots)$$

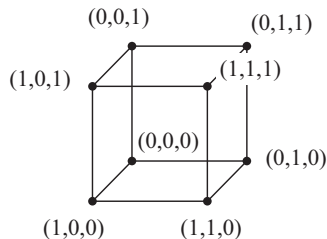
4. q -Deformation (in Case of Hypercubes)

Joint work with

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4.1. N -Dimensional Hypercube

$G = K_2 = (V, E)$, $V = \{0, 1\}$,
 $D = D_1$: adjacency matrix
 $G^N = G \times \cdots \times G$: N -dimensional hypercube



The adjacency matrix of $G^{[N,k]}$ is given by

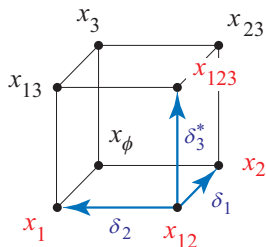
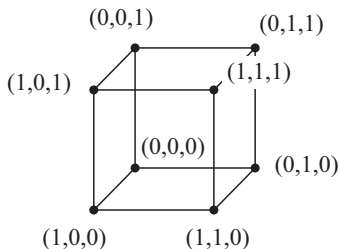
$$A^{[N,k]} = \sum \mathbf{1} \otimes \cdots \otimes D \otimes \cdots \otimes D \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{1} \quad (D \text{ appears } k\text{-times})$$

(This exact identity is valid only for $G = K_2$)

Our Result (revisited)

$$\frac{A^{[N,1]}}{N^{1/2}} \xrightarrow{m} g, \quad \frac{A^{[N,k]}}{N^{k/2}} \xrightarrow{m} \frac{1}{k!} \tilde{H}_k(g)$$

4.2. Bébé Fock Space (Meyer)



► Adjacency matrix of G^N is given by

$$A^{[N,1]} = \sum_{i=1}^N (\delta_i + \delta_i^*) = \sum_{i=1}^N D[i],$$

$$\delta_i x_J = \begin{cases} x_{J \setminus \{i\}}, & i \in J; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad \delta_i^* x_J = \begin{cases} x_{J \cup \{i\}}, & i \notin J; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

► $D[i]D[j] - \epsilon(i, j)D[j]D[i] = 2\delta_{ij}$ with $\epsilon(i, j) = \begin{cases} 1, & i \neq j, \\ -1, & i = j. \end{cases}$

4.3. q -deformation (Biane, 1997)

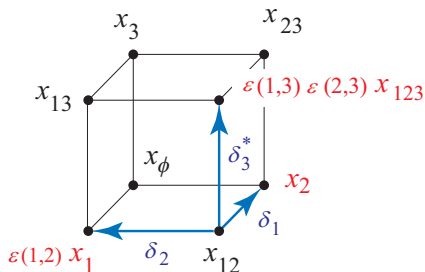
$\{\epsilon(i, j) = \epsilon(j, i) \in \{\pm 1\}; 1 \leq i < j\}$: iid random variables; $\epsilon(i, i) = 1$

$$\delta_i x_J = \begin{cases} \prod \epsilon(\cdot) x_{J \setminus \{i\}}, & i \in J; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad \delta_i^* x_J = \begin{cases} \prod \epsilon(\cdot) x_{J \cup \{i\}}, & i \notin J; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$D[i] = \delta_i + \delta_i^*$$

$$A^{[N,1]} = \sum_{i=1}^N D[i]$$

adjacency matrix of a “weighted graph”



Theorem (q -CLT (Speicher 1992, Biane 1997))

$$\frac{A^{[N,1]}}{N^{1/2}} \xrightarrow{m} g_q \quad (q\text{-Gaussian}) \quad \text{for almost surely in } \epsilon.$$

4.4. Main Result

A q -analogue of the adjacency matrix of the distance k -graph of the hypercube $G^N = K_2 \times \cdots \times K_2$ with weights

$$A^{[N,k]} = \frac{1}{k!} \sum_{\substack{i_1, \dots, i_k \\ \neq}} D[i_1] \cdots D[i_k]$$

Theorem (Lee-O. (2012))

$$\frac{A^{[N,k]}}{N^{k/2}} \xrightarrow{m} \frac{1}{k!} \tilde{H}_k^q(g_q) \quad \text{for almost surely in } \epsilon.$$

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A q -analogue of the adjacency matrix of the distance k -graph of the hypercube

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$$A^{[N,k]} = \frac{1}{k!} \sum_{\substack{i_1, \dots, i_k \\ \neq}} D[i_1] \cdots D[i_k]$$

Theorem (Lee-O. (2012))

$$\frac{A^{[N,k]}}{N^{k/2}} \xrightarrow{m} \frac{1}{k!} \tilde{H}_k^q(g_q) \quad \text{for almost surely in } \epsilon.$$

- ① For $X^{[N,k]} = \frac{k!}{N^{k/2}} A^{[N,k+1]}$ after taking \mathbb{E} we have

$$X^{[N,k+1]} = X^{[N,1]} X^{[N,k]} - [k]_q X^{[N,k]} + Y_{N,k-1}, \quad k \geq 1.$$

- ② Here $[k]_q$ is obtained from expectation of “correlated” random walk

$$W_i = \epsilon_{i,i_1} \cdots \epsilon_{i,i_k} + \epsilon_{i,i_2} \cdots \epsilon_{i,i_k} + \cdots + 1$$

- ③ After convergence estimation by induction on k we have the recurrence relation same as the q -Hermite polynomials:

$$x \tilde{H}_k^q(x) = \tilde{H}_{k+1}^q(x) + [k]_q \tilde{H}_{k-1}^q(x), \quad k \geq 1.$$

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Some questions

- ① More explicit expression of $A^{[N,k]}$ in terms of q -Krautchouk polynomials?
- ② q -deformation for $G^{[N,k]}$: try first $G = K_r$? then a general graph G ?
- ③ Direct product \implies Another product structures
- ④ Direct product of K_r (Hamming graph) \implies More general distance-regular graphs
- ⑤ Further generalization to association schemes (relation to Terwilliger algebras), ...