

**Exercise 1. One-Body Quantum Marginal Problem for  $N$  Qubits**

Let  $\rho = |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|$  be a pure quantum state of  $N$  qubits. We shall denote by  $\lambda_{\max}^{(k)}$  the maximal eigenvalue of the reduced density matrix of the  $k$ -th qubit,  $\rho^{(k)}$ .

(a) Show that the eigenvalues satisfy the *polygonal inequalities*

$$\sum_{l \neq k} \lambda_{\max}^{(l)} \leq \lambda_{\max}^{(k)} + (N - 2). \quad (1)$$

These inequalities are in fact the only constraints. That is, for any choice of  $\lambda_{\max}^{(k)} \in [0.5, 1]$  satisfying (1) there exists a corresponding pure state.

(b) Prove this statement by explicitly constructing a global state.

*Hint. Solve the problem for  $N = 3$  and induct.*

(c) Prove this statement by using convexity of the solution.

**Exercise 2. Isotypical Projectors**

Recall from the lecture that any finite-dimensional unitary representation  $\mathcal{H}$  of  $SU(2)$  can be decomposed into a direct sum of irreducible representations which are all of the same spin, i.e.

$$\mathcal{H} = \bigoplus_{j=0, \frac{1}{2}, 1, \dots} \mathcal{H}_j, \quad \mathcal{H}_j \cong \underbrace{V_j \oplus \dots \oplus V_j}_{m_j \text{ times}}$$

Here,  $V_j$  denotes the irreducible representation of  $SU(2)$  with spin  $j \in \{0, \frac{1}{2}, 1, \dots\}$ . The subspace  $\mathcal{H}_j$  is called an *isotypical component* of  $\mathcal{H}$ ; it is canonically defined (i.e., does not depend on any choices). The corresponding *isotypical projector* is the orthogonal projection onto  $\mathcal{H}_j$ , and we denote it by  $P_j$ . Similarly, the irreducible components of the product group  $K = SU(2)^N$  are just the tensor products  $V_{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes V_{j_N}$ , and hence the isotypical projectors are given by  $P_{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes P_{j_N}$ .

As in the lecture, let  $\mathcal{H} = (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes N}$  be the Hilbert space of  $N$  qubits and denote by  $\mathbb{C}[\mathcal{H}]_{(k)}$  the space of polynomial functions on  $\mathcal{H}$  of degree  $k$ . Show that the following two statements are equivalent:

1. There exists a pure state  $|\psi\rangle \in \mathcal{H}$  such that  $(P_{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes P_{j_N}) |\psi\rangle^{\otimes k} \neq 0$ .
2.  $V_{j_1}^* \otimes \dots \otimes V_{j_N}^* \subseteq \mathbb{C}[\mathcal{H}]_{(k)}$ .

Discuss how this connects the spectrum estimation theorem from the last lecture with the representation-theoretic description of the one-body quantum marginal problem presented in the lecture before.