Geometry of the set of synchronous quantum correlations

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$$\{p(i,j|x,y) \ge 0\}; \quad i,j \le m, \quad x,y \le n$$

satisfying

$$\sum_{i,j} p(i,j|x,y) = 1.$$

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A correlation is synchronous if p(i, j | x, x) = 0 whenever $i \neq j$.

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The set $C_q^s(3,2)$ is closed. Moreover, if $p \in C_q^s(3,2)$, then there exists a $\mathfrak{A} \subset \mathbb{M}_{16}$, projection valued measures $\{E_{x,i}\} \subset \mathfrak{A}$ and a trace τ such that

$$p(i,j|x,y) = \tau(E_{x,i}E_{y,j}).$$

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For each $(r_1, r_2, r_3) \in [0, 1]^3$, we will determine the corresponding set of $\{(w_{1,2}, w_{1,3}, w_{2,3})\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$, denoted $S_{\vec{r}}[C_q^s(3, 2)]$.

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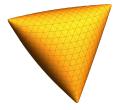
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Goal: Describe $S_d(n_1, n_2, n_3) \subseteq S_{(n_1/d, n_2/d, n_3/d)}[C_q^s(3, 2)].$

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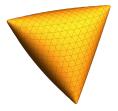
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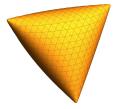
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For every n, $S_{2n}(n) = S_2(1) = S_{(.5,.5,.5)}[C_q^s(3,2)]$ is an affine image of the 3×3 elliptope.

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Lemma

Assume $n_1 + n_2 < d$. Then

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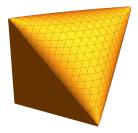
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Open problems

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Thanks for your attention!