

NEW UPPER BOUNDS FOR NONBINARY CODES

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INTRODUCTION

One of the central problems in coding theory is to find upper bounds on maximum size $A_q(n, d)$ of a code of word length n and minimum Hamming distance at least d over the alphabet Q of $q \geq 2$ letters. Let us provide Q with the structure of an Abelian group, in an arbitrary way.

In 1973 Delsarte proposed a linear programming approach for bounding the size of cliques in an association scheme. This bound is based on diagonalizing the Bose-Mesner algebra of the scheme. To obtain bounds on $A_q(n, d)$, Delsarte introduced the Hamming scheme $H(n, q)$, which is generated by action of a group of permutations of Q^n that preserve the Hamming distance.

In 2005 Schrijver gave a new upper bound on $A_2(n, d)$ using semidefinite programming, which is obtained by block-diagonalizing the $\binom{n+3}{3}$ – dimensional Terwilliger algebra of $H(n, 2)$. The semidefinite programming bound for $A_q(n, d)$, based on the block-diagonalizing the $\binom{n+4}{4}$ – dimensional Terwilliger algebra of $H(n, q)$ was presented later by Gijswijt, Schrijver and Tanaka.

In this work we introduce an association scheme which is generated by a subgroup of permutations of Q^n that preserve not only the Hamming distance, but also the "type" of the difference of vectors. The dimension of the Bose-Mesner algebra of this scheme is $\binom{n+q-1}{q-1}$. We also describe the $\binom{n+q^2-1}{q^2-1}$ – dimensional Terwilliger algebra of this new scheme. In particular, we have found that the orbits of $Q^n \times Q^n \times Q^n$ under the action of the subgroup are characterized by certain $q \times q$ matrices.

With these two algebras in hand, we derive a linear programming bound and a semidefinite programming bound for $A_q(n, d)$ which generalize the bounds above. For the binary case, our scheme and the Hamming scheme $H(n, 2)$ coincide.

ASSOCIATION SCHEMES AND THE LP BOUND

Let $G = \{g_1 = 0, g_2, \dots, g_{|G|}\}$ denote an (additively written) arbitrary finite abelian group with zero element 0, and $G^n = G \times G \times \dots \times G$ denote an abelian group with respect to componentwise sum. For an integer n we denote

$$N_n^G := \{(\alpha_{g_1}, \dots, \alpha_{g_{|G|}}) : \alpha_g \in \{0, 1, \dots, n\}, \sum_{g \in G} \alpha_g = n\}.$$

Define a function $\psi: G^n \rightarrow N_n^G$ as follows:

$$\psi\{x\} := (c_{g_1}\{x\}, c_{g_2}\{x\}, \dots, c_{g_{|G|}}\{x\}), \quad c_g(x) = |\{i : x_i = g\}|.$$

A nonempty subset C of G^n is called a code of length n . For a set $S \subseteq N_n^G$ we define

$$A_G(n, S) := \max\{|C| : C \subseteq G^n, \psi(y-x) \in S \forall x, y \in C\}.$$

For $\alpha \in N_n^G$ let R_α be a relation

$$R_\alpha := \{(x, y) \in G^n \times G^n : \psi(y-x) = \alpha\}$$

and denote $R = \{R_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in N_n^G}$.

Let H denote a group consisting of the permutations of G^n obtained by permuting the n coordinates followed by adding a word from G^n , i.e.,

$$H = \{\pi(\bullet) + v : \pi \in S_n, v \in G^n\}.$$

It is obvious that H acts transitively on G^n . H has a natural action on $G^n \times G^n$ given by $h(x, y) := (hx, hy)$. The following lemma states that the orbitals $\{(hx, hy) : h \in H\}$ form the relations of R .

Lemma 2.1. For any $\alpha \in N_n^G$ and $x, y \in G^n$ such that $(x, y) \in R_\alpha$ there holds $R_\alpha = \{(hx, hy) : h \in H\}$.

Proof: Let $x, y \in X$ be such that $\psi(y-x) = \alpha$. Thus, for $h = \pi(\bullet) + v \in H$, $hy - hx = (\pi y + v) - (\pi x + v) = \pi(y-x)$ and

$$\psi(hy - hx) = \psi(y-x) \tag{1}$$

which implies that $\{(hx, hy) : h \in H\} \subseteq R_\alpha$.

On the other hand, we have to show that for any $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) \in R_\alpha$ there exists $h \in H$ such that $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) = (hx, hy)$. One can see that exists $h_0 \in H$ such that $h_0 x = 0$ and $h_0 y = u_\alpha$ where

$$u_\alpha = \overbrace{0 \dots 0}^{\alpha_0} \dots \overbrace{g_i g_i \dots g_i}^{\alpha_{g_i}} \dots \overbrace{g_{|G|} \dots g_{|G|}}^{\alpha_{g_{|G|}}},$$

namely $h_0(\bullet) = \pi_0(\bullet) - \pi_0 x$ for some $\pi_0 \in S_n$. Similarly, there exists $h_1 \in H$ such that $h_1 \tilde{x} = 0$ and $h_1 \tilde{y} = u_\alpha$, namely $h_1(\bullet) = \pi_1(\bullet) - \pi_1 \tilde{x}$ for some $\pi_1 \in S_n$. Thus,

$$h(\bullet) = h_1^{-1} h_0(\bullet) = \pi_1^{-1} \pi_0(\bullet) + \tilde{x} - \pi_1^{-1} \pi_0(x)$$

satisfies $(hx, hy) = (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})$ which proves the required inclusion.

Theorem 2.2. (G^n, R) is a commutative association scheme with $\binom{n+|G|-1}{|G|-1}$ relations.

Proof: It is well known (see for example [1]) that the orbitals from a group action form relations of an association scheme. For $(x, y) \in R_\gamma$ denote

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{(x,y)} &:= \{z \in G^n : (x,z) \in R_\alpha, (z,y) \in R_\beta\}, \\ \hat{Z}_{(x,y)} &:= \{z \in G^n : (x,z) \in R_\beta, (z,y) \in R_\alpha\}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $z \in Z_{(x,y)} \leftrightarrow (-z) \in \hat{Z}_{(-y,-x)}$ we conclude that

$$p_{\alpha,\beta}^\gamma = |Z_{(x,y)}| = |\hat{Z}_{(-y,-x)}| = p_{\beta,\alpha}^\gamma.$$

Note that the number of relations is equal to the number of $(|G|-1)$ -tuples of nonnegative integers $(\alpha_{g_2}, \dots, \alpha_{g_{|G|}})$ such that $\alpha_{g_2} + \dots + \alpha_{g_{|G|}} \leq n$.

Let D_α denote the adjacency matrix of the relation R_α i.e.,

$$(D_\alpha)_{x,y} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } (x,y) \in R_\alpha, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The matrices $\{D_\alpha\}_\alpha \in N_n^G$ form a basis of a commutative $\binom{n+|G|-1}{|G|-1}$ -dimensional Bose-Mesner algebra A_{G^n} of the scheme (G^n, R) .

In general, (G^n, R) is a non-symmetric association scheme.

For $\alpha \in N_n^G$, the inverse $R_\alpha^{-1} = \{(y, x) : (x, y) \in R_\alpha\}$ of the relation R_α is given by $R_\alpha^{-1} = R_{\hat{\alpha}}$ where

$$\hat{\alpha} := (\hat{\alpha}_{g_2}, \dots, \hat{\alpha}_{g_{|G|}}), \hat{\alpha}_{g_i} = \alpha_{-g_i}. \quad (2)$$

It's easy to see that the valency of the relation R_α (and of $R_{\hat{\alpha}}$) is $v_\alpha = p_{\alpha\hat{\alpha}}^{(n,0,\dots,0)} = \binom{n}{\alpha_0, \alpha_{g_2}, \dots, \alpha_{g_{|G|}}}$.

Consider the association scheme (G^n, \tilde{R}) , where $\tilde{R} = \{\tilde{R}_\alpha\}$, $\tilde{R}_\alpha = R_\alpha \cup R_\alpha^{-1}$. This is symmetric association scheme. Note that

$$\tilde{D}_\alpha = D_\alpha + D_{\hat{\alpha}}$$

are symmetric matrices. We denote by \tilde{A}_{G^n} the Bose-Mesner algebra of (G^n, \tilde{R}) and by $\tilde{G}^n = \{X_u\}_{u \in G^n}$ the group of characters. The next theorem gives more details about the symmetric scheme.

Theorem 2.3. The unitary matrix U which diagonalizes the \tilde{A}_{G^n} is given by

$$(U)_{x,y} = \frac{1}{|G|^{n|2}} X_x(y).$$

The primitive idempotent \tilde{J}_α , $\alpha \in N_n^G$, is the matrix with (x, y) entry

$$(\tilde{J}_\alpha)_{x,y} = \frac{1}{|G|^n} \sum_{\substack{z \in G^n \\ \varphi(z) \in \{\alpha, \hat{\alpha}\}}} X_{y-x}(z). \quad (3)$$

The eigenvalues are given by

$$\tilde{P}_\beta(\alpha) = Q_\beta(\alpha) = \sum_{\substack{z \in G^n \\ \varphi(z) \in \{\alpha, \hat{\alpha}\}}} X_u(z) \quad (4)$$

where $u \in G^n$ is any word with $\psi(u) \in \{\alpha, \hat{\alpha}\}$.

For $\alpha = (\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{|G|}) \in N_n^G$ there holds

$$K_k \left(\sum_{g \in G^*} \alpha_g \right) = \sum_{\substack{\beta = (\beta_0, \dots, \beta_{|G|}) \in N_n^G \\ \beta_{g^2} + \dots + \beta_{|G|=k}} \tilde{Q}_\beta(\alpha).$$

Where $K_k(x)$ is the Krawtchouk polynomial of degree k .

A. Association Scheme for $G = Z_3$.

Let us look at an example for $G = Z_3 = \{0, 1, 2\}$. For convenience we will omit a_0 .

$$N_n^G = \{\alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2) : \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \leq n\}.$$

Thus, the number of relations in a non-symmetric scheme (Z_3^n, R) is $|R| = \binom{n+2}{2}$, and the number of relations in the symmetric scheme (Z_3^n, \tilde{R}) is

$$|\tilde{R}| = \begin{cases} \frac{(n+2)^2}{4}, & \text{if } n \text{ is even,} \\ \frac{(n+1)(n+3)}{4}, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

The polynomial $\tilde{Q}_{(\beta_1, \beta_2)}((\alpha_1, \alpha_2)) = \sum_{\substack{p+q \leq \alpha_1 \\ s+t \leq \alpha_2 \\ p+s \leq \beta_1 \\ q+t \leq \beta_2}} \binom{n-\alpha_1-\alpha_2}{\beta_1-p-s, \beta_2-q-t} \binom{\alpha_1}{p,q} \binom{\alpha_2}{s,t} \times$
 $\times e^{2\pi i/3(p+q+s+t)} (e^{2\pi i/3(q+s)} + (1 - \delta_{\beta_1, \beta_2}) e^{2\pi i/3(p+t)}).$

We list here few polynomials:

$$\tilde{Q}_{(0,0)}((\alpha_1, \alpha_2)) \equiv 1,$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{Q}_{(1,0)}((\alpha_1, \alpha_2)) &= 2n - 3(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2), \\
\tilde{Q}_{(1,1)}((\alpha_1, \alpha_2)) &= 2^{\binom{n-\alpha_1-\alpha_2}{2}} - \\
&\quad - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)(n - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)) - \alpha_1\alpha_2 + 2\binom{\alpha_1}{2} + 2\binom{\alpha_2}{2}, \\
\tilde{Q}_{(2,0)}((\alpha_1, \alpha_2)) &= 2^{\binom{n-\alpha_1-\alpha_2}{2}} - \\
&\quad - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)(n - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)) + 2\alpha_1\alpha_2 - \binom{\alpha_1}{2} - \binom{\alpha_2}{2}, \\
\tilde{Q}_{(n,0)}((\alpha_1, \alpha_2)) &= \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } \alpha_1 \equiv \alpha_2 \pmod{3}, \\ -1 & \text{else.} \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

B. The Linear Programming Bound.

For a code $C \in G^n$ let $(a_\gamma)_\gamma \in N_n^G$ denote the inner distribution of C , i.e.,

$$a_\gamma = \frac{|\tilde{R}_\gamma \cap C \times C|}{|C|}.$$

Clearly, we have

$$a_{(n,0,\dots,0)} = 1, \sum_{\gamma \in N_n^G} a_\gamma = |C|.$$

The Delsarte's linear programming bound is given in the following theorem.

Theorem 2.4. (LP bound) For any positive integer n and set $S \subseteq N_n^G$ such that $(n, 0, \dots, 0) \in S$

$$A_G(n, S) \leq \lfloor \max_{\gamma \in N_n^G} \sum a_\gamma \rfloor$$

subject to the constraints

$$\begin{aligned}
a_{(n,0,\dots,0)} &= 1, \\
a_\gamma &= 0 \text{ for } \gamma \notin S,
\end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{\gamma \in N_n^G} \tilde{Q}_\alpha(\gamma) a_\gamma \geq 0, \alpha \in N_n^G.$$

Where $\tilde{Q}_\alpha(\gamma)$ is given in (4).

THE TERWILLIGER ALGEBRA OF (G^n, R)

We will now consider the action of H on, ordered triples of words, leading to noncommutative algebra \mathcal{T}_{G^n} containing the Bose-Mesner algebra. Let $M, \{G\}$ be the following set of matrices:

$$M_n(G) := \{A \in \mathbb{C}^{|G| \times |G|} : (A)_{g_i, g_j} \in \{0, 1, \dots, n\} \text{ and } \sum_{g_i, g_j} (A)_{g_i, g_j} = n\}.$$

For any matrix $A \in M_n(G)$ we define three vectors $r(A), c(A), p(A) \in \mathbb{N}_n^G$ by

$$r(A) = \left(\sum_{g \in G} (A)_{0, g}, \dots, \sum_{g \in G} (A)_{g|G|, g} \right),$$

$$c(A) = \left(\sum_{g \in G} (A)_{0, g}, \dots, \sum_{g \in G} (A)_{g, g|G|} \right),$$

$$p(A) = \left(\sum_{g \in G} (A)_{g, g}, \sum_{g \in G} (A)_{g(g+g2)}, \dots, \sum_{g \in G} (A)_{g, (g+g|G|)} \right). \quad (5)$$

To each ordered triple $(x, y, z) \in G^n \times G^n \times G^n$ we associate the matrix

$$\hat{\psi}(x, y, z) := A_{y, z}^x \in M_n(G)$$

where

$$(A_{y, z}^x)_{g_i, g_j} := |\{k : (y - x)_k = g_i, (z - x)_k = g_j\}|.$$

Note that $\psi(y - x)$, $\psi(z - x)$ and $\psi(z - y)$ are uniquely determined by the $A_{y, z}^x$:

$$\psi(y - x) = r(A_{y, z}^x), \psi(z - x) = c(A_{y, z}^x), \psi(z - y) = p(A_{y, z}^x). \quad (6)$$

If we define

$$X_A := \{x, y, z\} \in G^n \times G^n : \hat{\psi}(x, y, z) = A\}$$

for $A \in M_n(G)$, we have the following.

Lemma 3.1. The sets $X_A, A \in M_n(G)$, are the orbits of $G^n \times G^n \times G^n$ under the action of H .

Proof: Let $x, y, z \in G^n$ and let $\hat{\psi}(x, y, z) = A$. For $h = \pi(\bullet) + v \in H$ we have from (1)

$$(\hat{\psi}(hx, hy, hz))_{g_i, g_j} = |\{k : (hy - hx)_k = g_i, (hz - hx)_k = g_j\}| = |\{k : (\pi(y - x))_k = g_i,$$

$$(\pi(z - x))_k = g_j\}| = |\{k : (y - x)_k = g_i, (z - x)_k = g_j\}| = (A)_{g_i, g_j} = (\hat{\psi}(x, y, z))_{g_i, g_j},$$

which implies

$$\hat{\psi}(x, y, z) = \hat{\psi}(hx, hy, hz)$$

for any $h \in H$.

Let $A \in M_n(G)$. To show that H acts transitively on X_A it suffices to show that for every $(x, y, z) \in X_A$ there is $h \in H$ such that (hx, hy, hz) only depends on A . For convenience, we denote $\psi(y - x) = \alpha$ and $\psi(z - x) = \beta$. Let $\pi_0 \in S_n$ be such that

$$\pi_0(y - x) = u_\alpha = \overbrace{0 \dots 0}^{\alpha_0} \dots \overbrace{g_i g_i \dots g_i}^{\alpha_{g_i}} \dots \overbrace{g_{|G|} \dots g_{|G|}}^{\alpha_{g_{|G|}}}.$$

Now, let $\pi_1 \in S_n$ be such that

$$\pi_1 u_\alpha \text{ and } \pi_1 \pi_0(z - x) = u_\beta,$$

where

	$\overbrace{0 \dots 0}^{\alpha_0}$..	$\overbrace{g_i g_i \dots g_i}^{\alpha_{g_i}}$		$\overbrace{g_{ G } \dots g_{ G }}^{\alpha_{g_{ G }}}$
α					
β	$0 \dots 0(A) g_i, 0 \dots g_{ G } \dots g_{ G }$ $G(A) g_i, g_{ G }$...

Thus,

$$h = \pi_1 \pi_0(\bullet) - \pi_1 \pi_0(x).$$

Denote the stabilizer of $0 \in G^n$ in H by H_0 . For $A \in M_n(G)$, let M_A be the $|G|^n \times |G|^n$ matrix defined by:

$$(M_A)_{y,z} := \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \hat{\psi}(0, y, z) = A, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Note that

$$M_A^T = M_{A^T}.$$

Let τ_G^n be the set of matrices

$$\sum_{A \in M_n(G)} x_A M_A,$$

where $x_A \in \mathbb{C}$. From the Lemma 3.1 it follows that τ_G^n is the set of matrices that are stable under permutations $\sigma \in H_0$ of the rows and columns, i.e., for any $\sigma \in H_0$ and M_A ,

$$(M_A)_{y,z} = (M_A)_{\sigma y, \sigma z}.$$

Hence τ_{G^n} is a complex matrix algebra called the *centralizer algebra* of H_0 . Since

$$M_A M_B = 0 \text{ if } c(A) \neq r(B).$$

it follows that τ_{G^n} is a noncommutative algebra. The M_A constitute a basis for τ_{G^n} , and hence

$$\dim \tau_{G^n} = |M_n(G)| = \binom{n+|G|^2-1}{|G|^2-1}.$$

Note that the algebra τ_{G^n} contains the Bose-Mesner algebra A_{G^n} ; for $\gamma \in N_n^G$ we have (recall (5))

$$D_\gamma = \sum_{\substack{A \in M_n(G) \\ p(A) = \gamma}} M_A.$$

Let τ denote the Terwilliger algebra of the association scheme (G^n, R) (with respect to 0). It is the complex matrix algebra generated by the adjacency matrices of the scheme $\{D_\gamma\}_{\gamma \in N_n^G}$ and the diagonal matrices $\{E_\gamma^*\}_{\gamma \in N_n^G}$ defined by

$$(E_\gamma^*)_{x,x} := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (0, x) \in R_\gamma \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Theorem 3.2. The algebras τ_{G^n} and τ coincide.

Proof: We have already seen in (7) that τ_{G^n} contains the adjacency matrices D_γ . Note that

$$E_\gamma^* = M_{\Delta_\gamma},$$

where $\Delta_\gamma = \text{diag}(\gamma_0, \gamma_{g^2}, \dots, \gamma_{g^{|G|}}) \in M_n(G)$. Hence τ is a subalgebra of τ_{G^n} . Now we show the reverse inclusion. For $\gamma \in N_n^G$ with $\gamma_{g_i} \geq k$ and $g_j \in G, g_i \neq g_j$, define

$$\gamma(k, g_i, g_j) \in N_n^G \text{ by}$$

$$(\gamma(k, g_i, g_j))_{gl} := \begin{cases} \gamma_{gl} & \text{if } l \neq i, j, \\ \gamma_{g_i} - k & \text{if } l = i, \\ \gamma_{g_j} + k & \text{if } l = j. \end{cases}$$

Also define the zero-one matrices:

$$N_\gamma(k, g_i, g_j) = E_\gamma^* D_{(n-k, 0, \dots, 0, k, 0, \dots, 0)} E_\gamma(k, g_i, g_j)$$

where at the index of the matrix D , k appears in the $(g_j - g_i)$ coordinate. Observe that

$$(N_\gamma(k, g_i, g_j))_{y,z} = 1 \leftrightarrow (0, y, z) \in X_A,$$

Where

$$(A)_{g_l, g_m} = \begin{cases} \gamma_{g_l} & \text{if } l = m \text{ and } l \neq i, \\ \gamma_{g_l - k} & \text{if } l = m = i, \\ k & \text{if } (l, m) = (i, j), \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

I. Semidefinite Programming Bound

For $h \in H$ denote the characteristic vector of $h(C)$ by $X^{(hC)}$ (taken as a column vector). For a word $x \in G^n$, let $h_x \in H$ be any automorphism with $h_x(x) = 0$, and define

$$R_x = \frac{1}{|H_0|} \sum_{\sigma \in H_0} X^{\sigma(h_x(C))} (X^{\sigma(h_x(C))})^T.$$

Next define the matrices R and R' by

$$R := \frac{1}{|C|} \sum_{x \in C} R_x,$$

$$R' := \frac{1}{(|G|^n - |C|)} \sum_{x \in G^n \setminus C} R_x.$$

As the R_x , and hence also R and R' , are convex combinations of positive semidefinite matrices, they are positive semidefinite. By construction, the matrices R_x , and hence the matrices R and R' are invariant under permutations $\sigma \in H_0$ of rows and columns and hence they are elements of the algebra To^* . Define the numbers

$$\lambda_A := |(C \times C \times C) \cap X_A|$$

and let

$$\mu_A := |(\{0\} \times G^n \times G^n) \cap X_A|$$

be the number of nonzero entries of Ma . It is easy to see that

$$\mu_A = \binom{n}{r(A)_0, r(A)_{g_2}, \dots, r(A)_{g_{|G|}}} \times \prod_{g_i \in G} \binom{r(A)_{g_i}}{(A)_{g_i, 0}, (A)_{g_i, g_2}, \dots, (A)_{g_i, g_{|G|}}}$$

Theorem 4.1.

$$R = \sum_{A \in M_n(G)} x_A M_A,$$

$$R' = \frac{|C|}{|C|^n - |C|} \sum_{A \in M_n(G)} (x \Delta_{p(A)} - x_A) M_A,$$

where

$$x_A = (|C| \mu_A)^{-1} \lambda_A.$$

Proof: Denote by $(A, B) := \text{tr}(A^* B)$, the standard inner product on the space of complex $|G|^n \times |G|^n$ matrices. Observe that the matrices M_A are pairwise orthogonal and that $(M_A, M_A) = \mu_A$ for $A \in M_n(G)$. Hence

$$\langle R, M_A \rangle = \frac{1}{|C|} \sum_{x \in C} \langle R_x, M_A \rangle = \frac{1}{|C|} \sum_{x \in C} |(\{x\} \times C \times C) \cap X_A| = \frac{1}{|C|} \lambda_A$$

implies that

$$\sum_{(0, y, z) \in X_A} (R)_{y, z} = \lambda_A$$

which is the total number of 1's (with repetitions) in positions where R and M_A are both nonzero. From the symmetry, each entry in M_A is counted the same number of times which is $(\mu_A)^{-1} \lambda_A$. Thus the first claim follows:

$$R = \sum_{A \in M_n(G)} \frac{1}{\mu_A} \langle R, M_A \rangle M_A = \sum_{A \in M_n(G)} x_A M_A.$$

Now, the matrix

$$\begin{aligned} T &:= |C|R + (|G|^n - |C|)R' = \sum_{x \in G^n} R_x = \\ &= \frac{1}{|H_0|} \sum_{x \in G^n} \sum_{\sigma \in H_0} x^{\sigma(h_x(C))} (x^{\sigma(h_x(C))})^T = \\ &= \frac{1}{|H_0|} \sum_{x \in G^n} \sum_{\sigma \in H_0} x^{\sigma(C)} (x^{\sigma(C)})^T = \frac{1}{|H_0|} \sum_{h \in H} x^{h(C)} (x^{h(C)})^T \end{aligned}$$

is invariant under permutation of the rows and columns by permutations $h \in H$ and hence is an element of the Bose-Mesner algebra say

$$T = \sum_{\gamma \in N_n^G} b_\gamma D_\gamma.$$

Note that for any $z \in G^n$ with $\psi(z) = \gamma$, we have

$$b_\gamma = (T)_{0,z} = |C|(R)_{0,z} + (|G|^n - |C|)(R')_{0,z}.$$

From the definition of R'

$$R' := \frac{1}{(|G|^n - |C|)} \sum_{x \in G^n \setminus C} R_x$$

follows that for $x \in G^n \setminus C$, holds $0 \neq h_x(C)$ and $0 \neq \sigma(h_x(C))$ for any $\sigma \in H_0$. Therefore, $(R')_{0,z} = 0$ and we obtain

$$b_\gamma = (T)_{0,z} = |C|(R)_{0,z} = |C| \sum_{A \in M_n(G)} x_A(M_A)_{0,z} = |C|x_{(\gamma)},$$

where (γ) denotes a matrix whose first row is a vector γ and the rest of the rows are zero vectors. Hence we have

$$(|G|^n - |C|)R' = T - |C|R = |C| \sum_{A \in M_n(R)} (x_{(p(A))} - x_A)M_A.$$

Finally, note that

$$\begin{aligned} x_{(p(A))} &= (|C|_{\mu_{(p(A))}})^{-1} \lambda_{(p(A))} = \frac{1}{|C|_{v_{p(A)}}} |C \times C \cap R_{p(A)}| = \frac{a_{p(A)}}{v_{p(A)}} = \\ &= (|C|_{\mu_{\Delta_{p(A)}}})^{-1} \lambda_{\Delta_{p(A)}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since for $\gamma \in N_n^G$,

$$\lambda_{\Delta_\gamma} := |(C \times C \times C) \cap X_{\Delta_\gamma}| = \sum_{c \in C} \sum_{\substack{c' \in C \\ \psi(c'-c)=\gamma}} 1.$$

It follows that

$$\sum_{\gamma \in N_n^G} \lambda_{\Delta_\gamma} = \sum_{\gamma \in N_n^G} \sum_{c \in C} \sum_{\substack{c' \in C \\ \psi(c'-c)=\gamma}} 1 = \sum_{c \in C} \sum_{\gamma \in N_n^G} \sum_{\substack{c' \in C \\ \psi(c'-c)=\gamma}} 1 = \sum_{c \in C} \sum_{c' \in C} 1 = |C|^2$$

and hence we have

$$|C|^2 = \sum_{\gamma \in N_n^G} \lambda_{\Delta_\gamma} = \sum_{\gamma \in N_n^G} |C|_{\mu_{\Delta_\gamma} x_{\Delta_\gamma}}.$$

Therefore

$$|C| = \sum_{\gamma \in N_n^G} \mu_{\Delta_\gamma} x_{\Delta_\gamma} = \sum_{\gamma \in N_n^G} \binom{n}{\gamma_0, \gamma_{g2}, \dots, \gamma_{g|G|}} x_{\Delta_\gamma} = \sum_{\gamma \in N_n^G} u_\gamma x_{\Delta_\gamma}.$$

Now we are ready to formulate the bound.

Theorem 4.2. (SDP bound) For any positive integer n and set $S \subseteq N_n^G$ such that $(n, 0, \dots, 0) \in S$

$$A_G(n, S) \leq \left[\max \sum_{\gamma \in N_n^G} u_\gamma x_{\Delta_\gamma} \right]$$

subject to the constraints

$$x_{\Delta_{(n,0,\dots,0)}} = 1,$$

$$x_{A=0} \text{ if } \{r(A), \quad c(A), \quad p(A)\} \notin S,$$

$$x_A = x_{A^T},$$

$$R \geq 0, R' \geq 0.$$

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