Full Spark Gabor Frames in Finite Dimensions

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Progress

- N prime, LPW, 2005.
- $N = 4, 6$, Krahmer, Pfander, Rashkov, 2008.
- $N = 8$, Appleby, Bengtsson, Blanchfield, Dang, 2013.
- $N \in \mathbb{N}$, M, 2013.

Applications

- Signal recovery
- Operator identification and sampling
- Compressive sensing

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Are there $\varphi_1, \ldots, \varphi_{N^2} \in \mathbb{C}^N$ *such that* $\|\varphi_i\| = 1$ *and* $|\langle \varphi_i, \varphi_j \rangle| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N+1}}$ *for all* $i \neq j$*?*

Zauner ('99) conjectured that there is $\varphi \in \mathbb{C}^N$ such that $(\varphi, \mathbb{Z}_N^2)$ is a solution. Verified numerically for $N \leq 67$. Such a set is also a complex 2-design.

The main idea

Let $\Lambda \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_N^2$ with $|\Lambda| = N$. The column vectors $M^\lambda T^\kappa z$ form a matrix, denoted by D_Λ, where

$$z = (z_0, z_1, \dots, z_{N-1}) \in \mathbb{C}^N$$

is a variable vector. Define

$$P_\Lambda(z) = \det(D_\Lambda).$$

P_Λ is a homogeneous polynomial in N complex variables, of degree N. The set of zeroes of P_Λ is either the entire space $\mathbb{C}^N$ or has measure zero.

$(z, \mathbb{Z}_N^2)$ for $N = 2, 3$.

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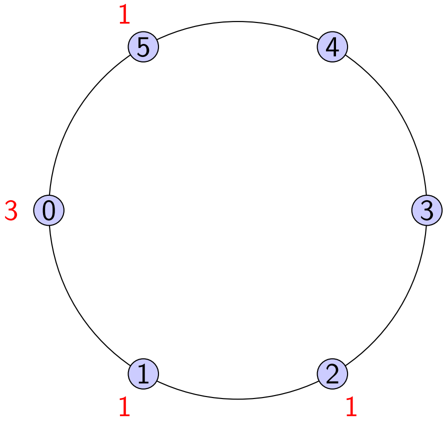

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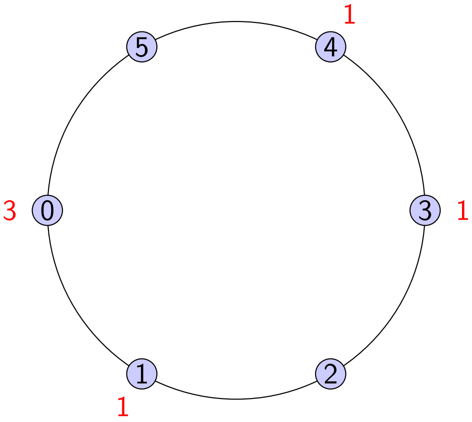

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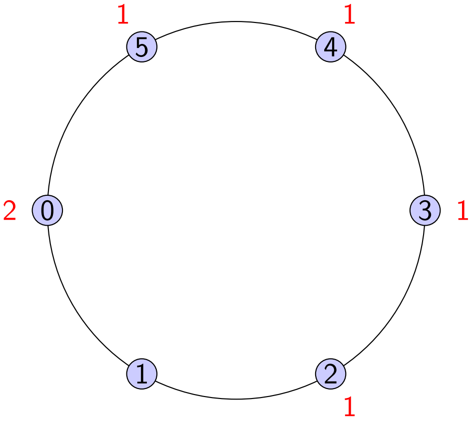

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