

Local certification of programmable quantum devices of arbitrary high dimensionality

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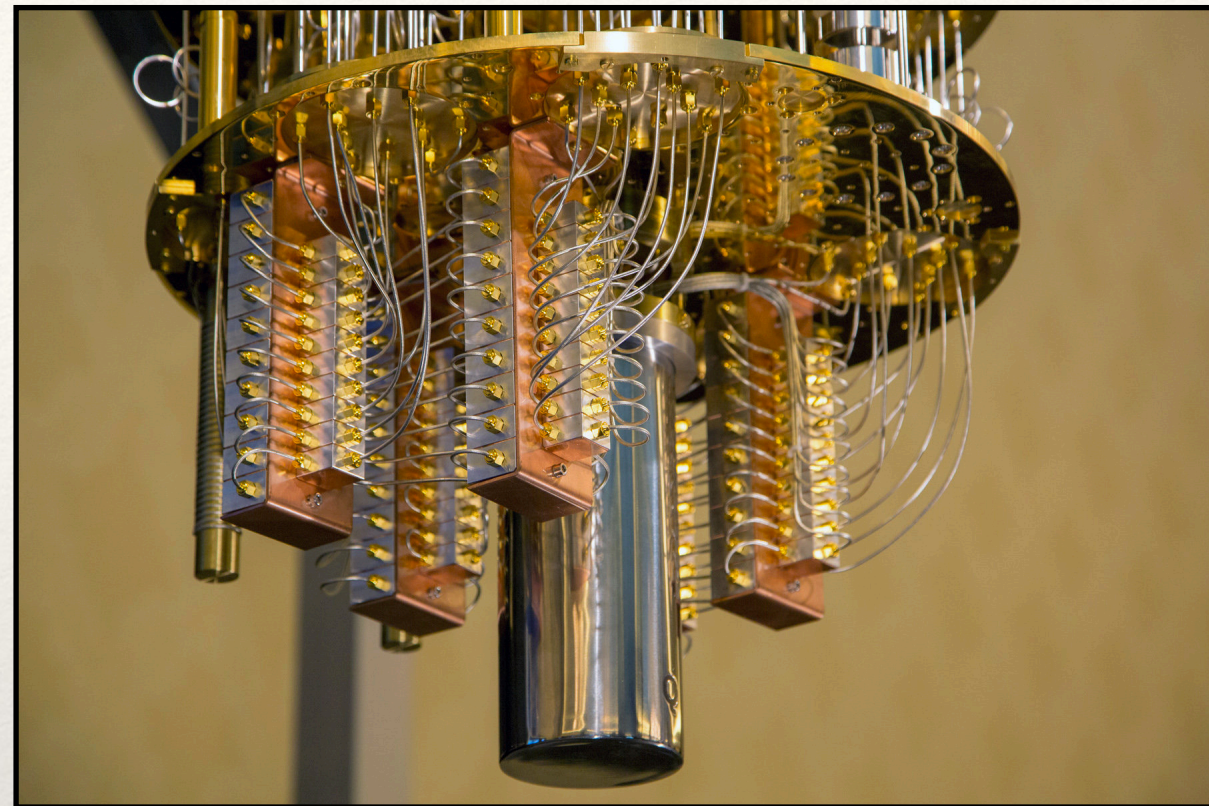


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Motivation

Goal: To characterise untrusted devices

Bell non-locality based *self-testing* can be employed to characterise quantum devices via measurement statistics.



Computation typically happens in a local fashion!



Is it possible to extend the notion of self-testing to *local* contextuality scenarios?

Results

- A graph-theoretic framework to render local self-testing statements.
- The generalized KCBS inequalities admit robust self-testing.

Robust Self-Testing of Quantum Systems via Noncontextuality Inequalities

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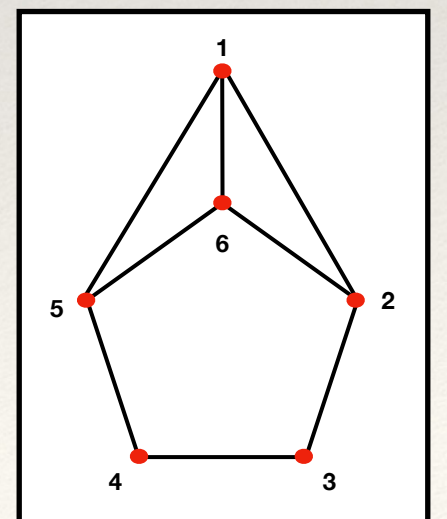
Results

- The non-contextuality inequalities corresponding to the family of odd anti-cyclic graphs with at least five vertices are self-testable.
- Given an anti-cycle non-contextuality inequality with an odd number of n measurement events, the quantum system achieving the optimal quantum bound must be at least $(n-2)$ dimensional.
- Not all graphs with a non-zero gap between NCHV bound (given by the independence number) and the maximum quantum bound (given by the Lovász theta number) for the corresponding canonical non-contextuality inequality admits self-testing.

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Results

1. Presented a graph-theoretic framework to render Bell scenario-based self-testing statements.
2. Recovered some old self-testing statements in our framework.
3. Additionally presented a self-testing statement for a previously unknown case.
4. In the process of proving self-testing statements, we furnished proof for a conjecture in discrete mathematics employing ideas from quantum foundations

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Graph-Theoretic Framework for Self-Testing in Bell Scenarios

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Robust Self Testing in Bell Scenario

- Self Testing: Given access to only the statistics of a quantum test, the measurement settings and state can be uniquely determined up to local isometry.

$$\langle QS \rangle + \langle RS \rangle + \langle RT \rangle - \langle QT \rangle \leq 2$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pm 1 & & \pm 1 \\ Q \leftarrow Z \otimes I & & I \otimes \frac{-Z - X}{\sqrt{2}} \rightarrow S \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R \leftarrow X \otimes I & & I \otimes \frac{Z - X}{\sqrt{2}} \rightarrow T \end{array}$$

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{|01\rangle - |10\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\text{Quantum bound} = 2\sqrt{2}$$



If a CHSH test achieves the quantum bound, it admits self testing.

Robust Self Testing in Bell Scenario


Bell Inequality

$$\sum_{a,b,x,y} B_{xy}^{ab} p(ab|xy) \leq B_l$$

Geometrically, a Bell inequality corresponds to a hyperplane that separates the set of local behaviours from nonlocal behaviours.

$$p(ab|xy) = \langle \psi | A_{x|a} \otimes B_{y|b} | \psi \rangle$$

$$|\psi\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$$

 Quantum Behaviours

We will denote the maximum quantum value by B_q

Robust Self Testing in Bell Scenario

Self-Testing

$$\left(\mathcal{H}_A, \mathcal{H}_B, |\psi\rangle, \{A_{x|a}\}, \{B_{y|b}\}\right) \quad \left(\mathcal{H}'_A, \mathcal{H}'_B, |\psi'\rangle, \{A'_{x|a}\}, \{B'_{y|b}\}\right) \quad B_q$$

$$V = V_A \otimes V_B \quad |junk\rangle$$

$$V|\psi'\rangle = |junk\rangle \otimes |\psi\rangle,$$

$$V(A'_{x|a} \otimes B'_{y|b})|\psi'\rangle = |junk\rangle (A_{x|a} \otimes B_{y|b})|\psi\rangle$$

Robust Self Testing in Bell Scenario

Robust Self-Testing

$$(\mathcal{H}_A, \mathcal{H}_B, |\psi\rangle, \{A_{x|a}\}, \{B_{y|b}\})$$

$$B_q$$

$$(\mathcal{H}'_A, \mathcal{H}'_B, |\psi'\rangle, \{A'_{x|a}\}, \{B'_{y|b}\})$$

$$B_q - \epsilon$$

$$\|V(A'_{x|a} \otimes B'_{y|b})|\psi'\rangle - |junk\rangle(A_{x|a} \otimes B_{y|b})|\psi\rangle\| \leq \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^r)$$

Contextuality

Context: a set of compatible observables

A, B, C

- **Context 1:** $\{A, B\}$
- **Context 2:** $\{A, C\}$

Given a theory, if the value assigned to an observable does not depend on the context in which it has been measured, then the theory is called non-contextual. Otherwise, the theory is contextual.

Quantum mechanics is a contextual theory. **KS67**

Exclusivity Graph Approach

CSW14

Measurement events:

$$e_1, \dots, e_n$$

Mutually exclusive events:

Same measurement but correspond to different outcomes

Events denoted by nodes

Exclusivity graph:

Exclusive events share an edge

$$e_1 \sim e_2$$

\sim : Exclusivity

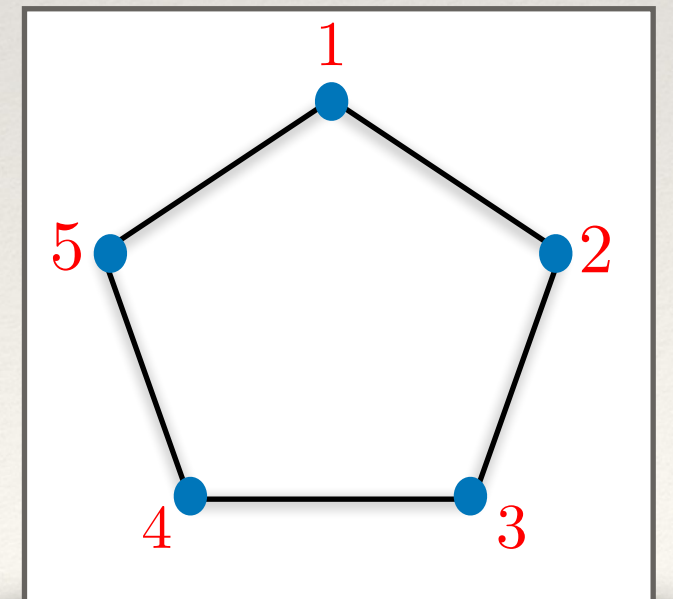
$$e_2 \sim e_3$$

$$e_3 \sim e_4$$

$$e_4 \sim e_5$$

$$e_5 \sim e_1$$

Example:



Exclusivity Graph Approach

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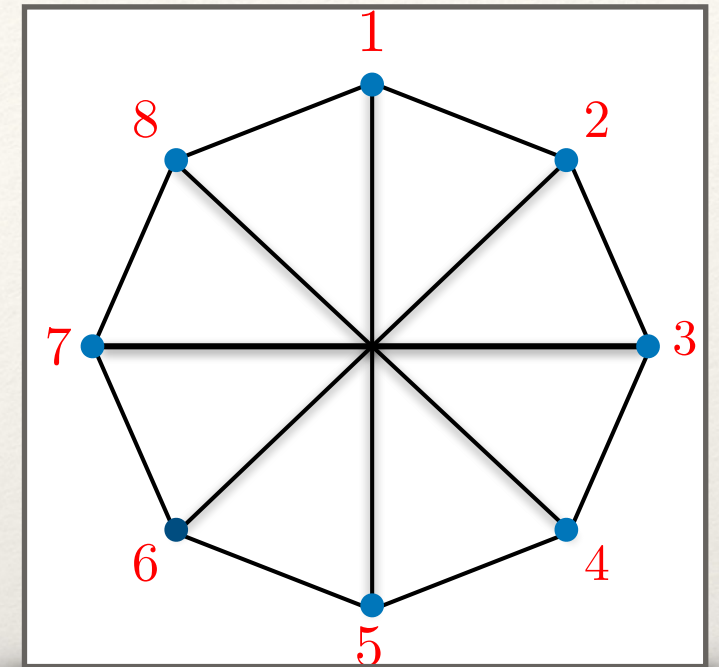
Another example: Exclusivity Graph for CHSH Scenario

$$\{1, 2, \dots, n\} \equiv [n]$$

$$p : [n] \rightarrow [0, 1]$$

Behaviour

$$p_i + p_j \leq 1 \quad i \sim j$$



A deterministic noncontextual behavior p is a mapping $p : [n] \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$, where $p_i + p_j \leq 1$, for all $i \sim j$. The polytope of noncontextual behaviors, denoted by $B_{nc}(G)$, is the convex hull of all deterministic noncontextual behaviors. Behaviors that do not lie in $B_{nc}(G)$ are contextual.

$$\sum_{i \in [n]} w_i p_i \leq B_{nc} \quad p \in B_{nc}(G) \quad w \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{Non-contextuality inequalities}$$

Exclusivity Graph Approach

CSW14

Quantum Behaviour

$$p : [n] \rightarrow [0, 1]$$

ρ Quantum description for the preparation

Π_1, \dots, Π_n Projectors acting the Hilbert space \mathcal{H}

$$p_i = \text{Tr}(\rho \Pi_i), \forall i \in [n] \text{ and } \text{Tr}(\Pi_i \Pi_j) = 0, \text{ for } i \sim j$$

$\rho, \{\Pi\}_{i=1}^n$ Ensemble for the behaviour \mathcal{P}

$B_q(G)$ The set of quantum behaviours

B_{qc} The quantum value corresponding to the non-contextuality inequality

Robust Self-Testing

Self-Testing

$$\{|u_i\rangle\}_{i=0}^n \quad \{|u'_i\rangle\}_{i=0}^n \quad B_{qc}$$

$$V|u_i\rangle\langle u_i|V^\dagger = |u'_i\rangle\langle u'_i| \quad 0 \leq i \leq n$$

Robustness

$$\sum_{i=1}^n |\langle u'_i || u'_0 \rangle|^2 \geq B_{qc} - \epsilon$$

$$\|V|u_i\rangle\langle u_i|V^\dagger - |u'_i\rangle\langle u'_i|\| \leq \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^r), \quad 0 \leq i \leq n$$

How to Show Robust Self-Testing

$$\max \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n w_i p_i : p \in B_q(G) \right\}$$

$$\vartheta(G, w) = \max \sum_{i=1}^n w_i X_{ii}$$

$$\text{subject to } X_{ii} = X_{0i}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n,$$

$$X_{ij} = 0, \quad i \sim j,$$

$$X_{00} = 1, \quad X \in \mathcal{S}_+^{1+n}$$

Primal

$$\min t \geq 0$$

$$tE_{00} + \sum_{i=1}^n (\lambda_i - w_i)E_{ii} - \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i E_{0i} + \sum_{i \sim j} \mu_{ij} E_{ij} \succeq 0$$

Dual

How to Show Robust Self-Testing

Consider a noncontextuality inequality $\sum_{i=1}^n w_i p_i \leq B_{nc}$, and let $\{ |v_i\rangle \}_{i=0}^n$ be a quantum ensemble achieving the corresponding quantum value B_{qc} , and moreover $\langle v_0 | v_i \rangle \neq 0$, for all $1 \leq i \leq n$. Say that there exists a dual optimal solution Z^* for the SDP such that the homogeneous linear system

$$MZ^* = \langle M, E_{0i} \rangle = \langle M, E_{ii} \rangle = \langle M, E_{ij} \rangle = 0,$$

in the symmetric matrix variable M only admits the trivial solution $M = 0$. Then, the noncontextuality inequality is an $(\epsilon, \frac{1}{2})$ -robust self-test for $\{ |v_i\rangle \}_{i=0}^n$.

Proof Technique

Non-contextuality Inequality

Exclusivity Graph

$$\vartheta(G) = \max \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n X_{ii} : X \in \mathbb{S}_+^{1+n}, X_{00} = 1, X_{ii} = X_{0i}, X_{ij} = 0, \forall i, j \in E \right\}$$

$$\text{TH}(G) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n : X \in \mathbb{S}_+^{1+n}, X_{i,i} = x_i, X_{00} = 1, X_{ii} = X_{0i}, X_{ij} = 0, \forall ij \in E\}$$

Uniqueness of optimal X

Error bound analysis for SDPs

The non-contextuality inequality admits robust self testing.

Example: Generalized KCBS Inequalities

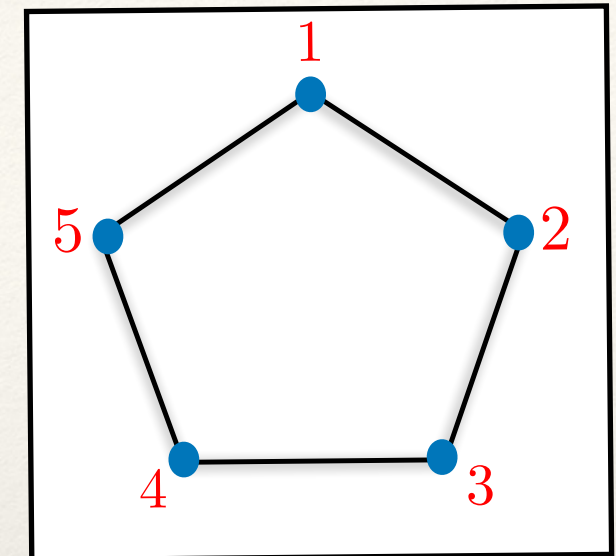
Odd number of measurement events e_1, \dots, e_n

e_i and e_{i+1} are exclusive, where indices are taken modulo n

$$\max \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i : p \in B_{nc}(C_n) \right\} = \frac{(n-1)}{2}$$

$$\max \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i : p \in B_q(C_n) \right\} = \frac{n \cos \pi/n}{1 + \cos \pi/n}$$

$$p_i^{(n)} = \frac{\cos \pi/n}{1 + \cos \pi/n}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$



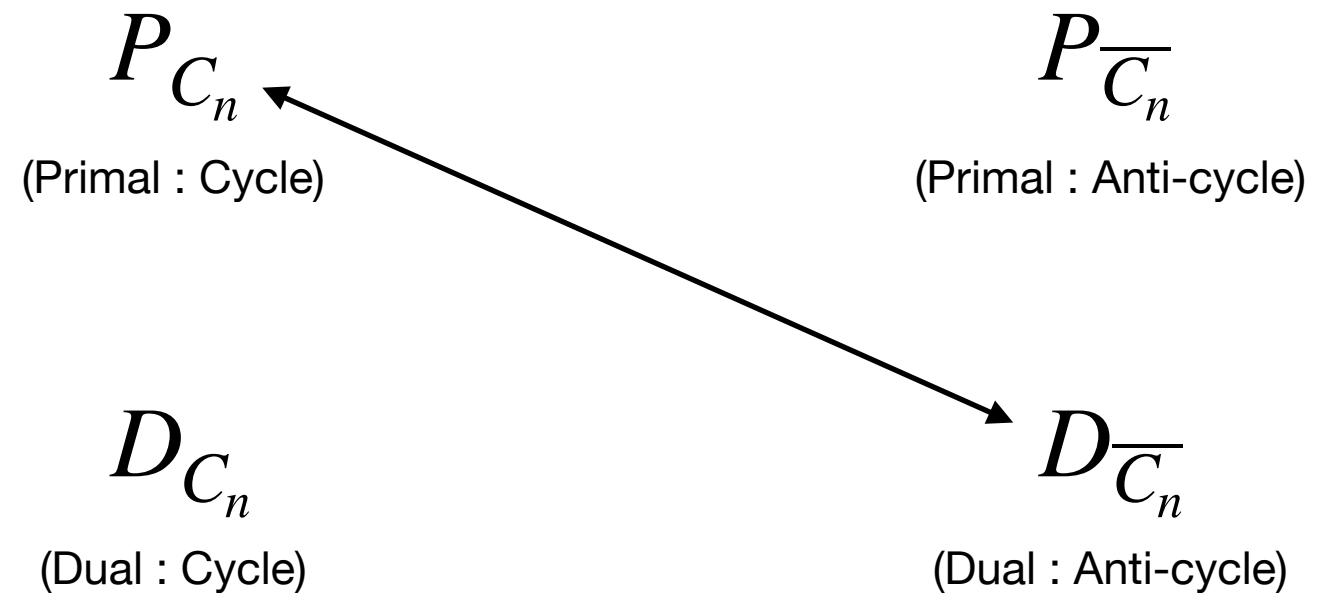
For any odd integer n , the $KCBS_n$ inequality is an $(\epsilon, \frac{1}{2})$ -robust self-test for the ensemble $|v_0\rangle = (1, 0, 0)$ and $|v_j\rangle = (\cos(\theta), \sin(\theta) \sin(\phi_j), \sin(\theta) \cos(\phi_j))$, where $\cos^2(\theta) = \frac{\cos(\pi/n)}{1 + \cos(\pi/n)}$ and $\phi_j = \frac{j\pi(n-1)}{n}$ for $1 \leq j \leq n$.

Anti-Cycles

Theorem: For any odd n , the non-contextuality inequality corresponding to the **anti- n -cycle** graph admits $\left(\epsilon, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ -robust *self-test*.

Strategy

Idea : Relate primal solution of cycles to dual solution of anti-cycles.



Theorem : Let $X^* = \text{Gram}(v_0, v_1, \dots, v_n)$ be the unique optimal solution for P_{C_n} . Then, $Z^* = \vartheta(\overline{C_n})\text{Gram}(-v_0, v_1, \dots, v_n)$ is a dual optimal solution for $D_{\overline{C_n}}$.

Z^* can also be expressed as : $Z^* = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \vartheta(\overline{C_n}) & -e^T \\ \hline -e & \text{circ}(u) \end{array} \right]$

where $u = (1, \vartheta(\overline{C_n})\langle v_1 | v_2 \rangle, \dots, \vartheta(\overline{C_n})\langle v_1 | v_n \rangle)$

Application - Certify high dim

Claim : For all odd n , the dimension in which the quantum realisations corresponding to the anti- n -cycle graph achieves the maximum (Lovasz theta) is $n-2$.

Idea :

→ $X^* = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} 1 & \frac{\bar{\vartheta}_n}{n} e^T \\ \hline \frac{\bar{\vartheta}_n}{n} e & \text{circ}(u) \end{array} \right]$ with $u = \left(\frac{\vartheta(\bar{C}_n)}{n}, \frac{n - \vartheta(C_n)}{2\vartheta(C_n)^2}, 0, 0, \dots, 0, 0, \frac{n - \vartheta(C_n)}{2\vartheta(C_n)^2} \right)$

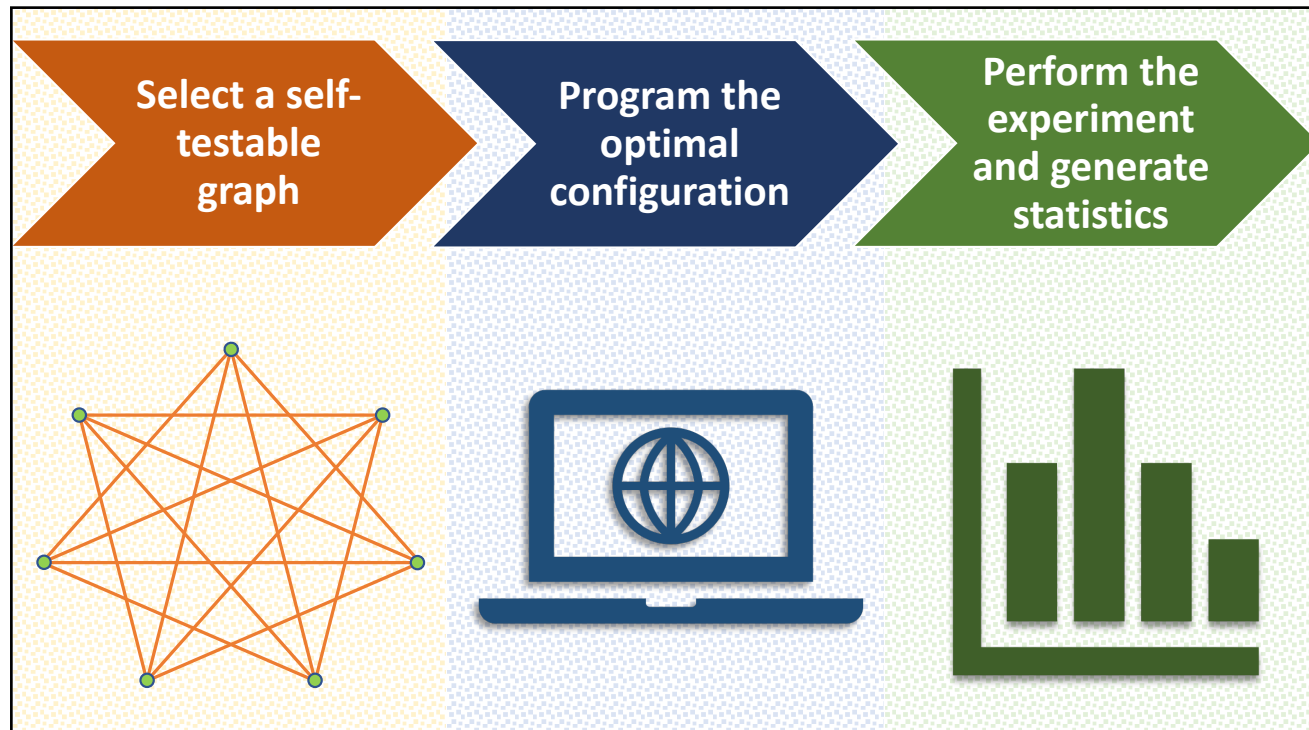
is the unique primal optimal.

→ $\text{Eig}(\text{circ}(u)) = \left\{ \frac{1}{\vartheta_n} + \frac{n - \vartheta_n}{\vartheta_n} \cos \left(\frac{2\pi j}{n} \right) : j \in [n] \right\} \neq 0 \text{ unless } j = \frac{n-1}{2} \text{ or } \frac{n+1}{2}$

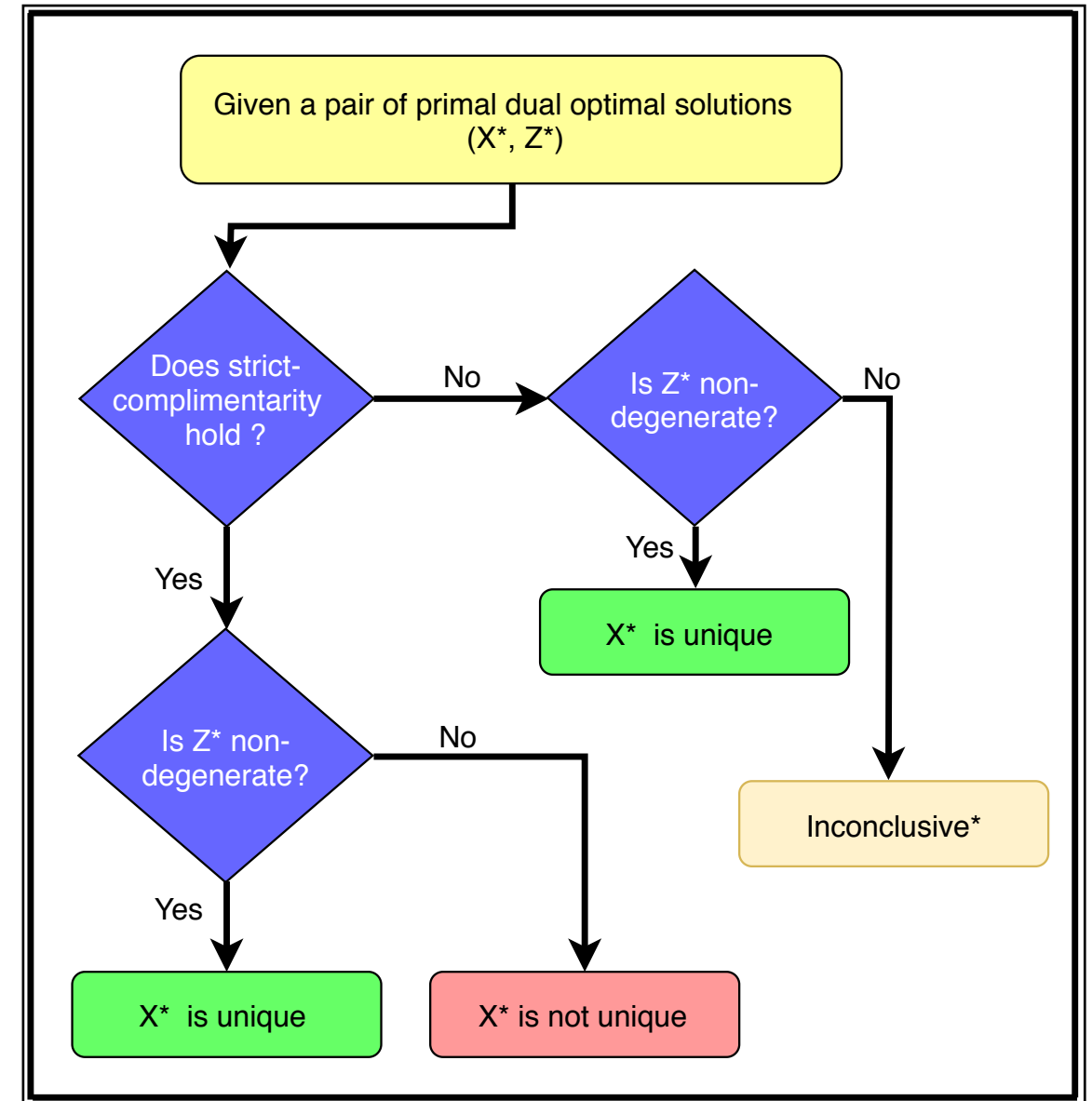
→ $\text{Rank}(X^*) \geq n - 2$

→ Explicit construction exists for $\text{dim} = n-2$

Device Certification



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Discussion

1. Not all graphs can be self-tested.
2. A complete characterisation of all self-testable graphs ?
3. Explicit robustness bounds.
4. Large gaps between $\vartheta(G)$ and $\alpha(G)$?
5. **Possible direction** : Results on verifying quantum computation by classical verifier leverages self-testing results. Can local self-testing schemes help ?

