

# Multipartite entangled states, orthogonal arrays & Hadamard matrices

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# Maximally entangled pure quantum states

**Bipartite systems**  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}^A \otimes \mathcal{H}^B = \mathcal{H}_d \otimes \mathcal{H}_d$

Example: **generalized Bell** states for 2 qudits:

$$|\psi_+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{i=1}^d |i\rangle \otimes |i\rangle \quad (1)$$

distinguished by the fact that reduced states are **maximally mixed**,

e.g.  $\rho_A = Tr_B |\psi_+\rangle \langle \psi_+| = \mathbb{1}_d$ .

This property holds for all locally equivalent states,  $(U_A \otimes U_B)|\psi_+\rangle$ .

**Three qubits**,  $\mathcal{H}^A \otimes \mathcal{H}^B \otimes \mathcal{H}^C = \mathcal{H}_2^{\otimes 3}$

**GHZ** state,  $|GHZ\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0,0,0\rangle + |1,1,1\rangle)$  has a similar property: all three one-partite reductions are **maximally mixed**,

$$\rho_A = Tr_{BC} |GHZ\rangle \langle GHZ| = \mathbb{1}_2 = \rho_B = Tr_{AC} |GHZ\rangle \langle GHZ|.$$

(what is **not** the case e.g. for  $|W\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(|1,0,0\rangle + |0,1,0\rangle + |0,0,1\rangle)$ )

# Genuinely multipartite entangled states

## $k$ -uniform states of $N$ qudits

**Definition.** State  $|\psi\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_d^{\otimes N}$  is called  **$k$ -uniform** if for all possible splittings of the system into  $k$  and  $N - k$  parts the reduced states are maximally mixed (**Scott 2001**),  
(also called **MM-states** (maximally multipartite entangled)  
**Facchi et al.** (2008,2010), **Arnaud & Cerf** (2012))

**Applications:** quantum error correction codes, ...

## Example: 1-uniform states of $N$ qudits

**Observation.** A generalized,  $N$ -qudit **GHZ** state,

$$|GHZ_N^d\rangle := \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} [ |1, 1, \dots, 1\rangle + |2, 2, \dots, 2\rangle + \dots + |d, d, \dots, d\rangle ]$$

is **1-uniform** (but not 2-uniform!)

## Examples of $k$ -uniform states

**Observation:**  $k$ -uniform states may exist if  $N \geq 2k$  (**Scott 2001**)  
(traced out ancilla of size  $(N - k)$  cannot be smaller than the principal  
 $k$ -partite system).

Hence there are no 2-uniform states of 3 **qubits**.

However, there exist **no** 2-uniform state of 4 qubits either!

**Higuchi & Sudbery** (2000) - **frustration** like in spin systems –

**Facchi, Florio, Marzolino, Parisi, Pascazio** (2010) –

it is not possible to satisfy simultaneously so many constraints...

### 2-uniform state of 5 and 6 qubits

$$\begin{aligned} |\Phi_5\rangle = & |11111\rangle + |01010\rangle + |01100\rangle + |11001\rangle + \\ & + |10000\rangle + |00101\rangle - |00011\rangle - |10110\rangle, \end{aligned}$$

related to 5-qubit error correction code by **Laflamme et al.** (1996)

$$\begin{aligned} |\Phi_6\rangle = & |111111\rangle + |101010\rangle + |001100\rangle + |011001\rangle + \\ & + |110000\rangle + |100101\rangle + |000011\rangle + |010110\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

## The goal of this project is to:

① Construct **2-uniform** states of  $N$  qubits,

② Discuss the question:

For what  $N$  and  $k$  the  **$k$ -uniform** states of  $N$  qubits do exist,

③ Analyze a more general problem of  **$k$ -uniform** states of  $N$  qudits,

④ Show links to the problems of **Mutually unbiased bases (MUB)**, and **quantum error correction codes**

⑤ Analyze properties of typical pure states of  $N$  qudits for large dimensions - are they **approximately  $k$ -uniform?**



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## The simplest example: one qubit, $N = 2$

$$H_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (3)$$

## $m$ -qubit case, $N = 2^m$

$$H_{2^m} = H_2^{\otimes m}, . \quad (4)$$

works e.g. for  $N = 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, \dots$

Furthermore, there exist such matrices for  $N = 12, 20, 24, 28, 36, \dots$

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## Great challenge in combinatorics

Prove the **Hadamard conjecture**:

Construct Hadamard matrices for every  $N = 4n$  ! !

# Equivalent Hadamard matrices

$$H_1 \sim H_2$$

iff there exist permutation matrices  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  and diagonal sign matrices  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  containing  $\pm 1$  such that

$$H_1 = D_1 P_1 H_2 P_2 D_2 . \quad (5)$$

$$N \leq 12$$

For  $N = 2, 4, 8, 12$  all (real) Hadamard matrices are equivalent

## higher dimensions

The number  $E$  of **equivalence classes** of real Hadamard matrices of order  $n$  reads

$n = 2$	$4$	$8$	$12$	$16$	$20$	$24$	$28$	$32$
$E = 1$	$1$	$1$	$1$	$5$	$3$	$60$	$487$	$13\,710\,027$

Fang and Ge 2004, Orrick 2005, Tayfeh-Razaie 2014.



# Orthogonal Arrays

Combinatorial arrangements introduced by **Rao** in 1946 used in statistics and design of experiments,  $\text{OA}(r, N, d, k)$

0 0	1 0 0 0
1 1	0 1 0 0
	0 0 1 0
	0 0 0 1
0 0 0	0 1 1 1
0 1 1	1 0 1 1
1 0 1	1 1 0 1
1 1 0	1 1 1 0

Orthogonal arrays  $\text{OA}(2,2,2,1)$ ,  $\text{OA}(4,3,2,2)$  and  $\text{OA}(8,4,2,3)$ .

## Definition of an Orthogonal Array

An array  $A$  of size  $r \times N$  with entries taken from a  $d$ -element set  $S$  is called **Orthogonal array** OA( $r, N, d, k$ ) with  $r$  runs,  $N$  factors,  $d$  levels, strength  $k$  and index  $\lambda$  if every  $r \times k$  subarray of  $A$  contains each  $k$ -tuple of symbols from  $S$  exactly  $\lambda$  times as a row.

Each OA is determined by 4 independent parameters  $r, N, d, k$  satisfying **Rao bounds**

$$r \geq \sum_{i=0}^{k/2} \binom{N}{i} (d-1)^i \quad \text{if } k \text{ is even,} \quad (6)$$

$$r \geq \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{k-1}{2}} \binom{N}{i} (d-1)^i + \binom{N-1}{\frac{k-1}{2}} (d-1)^{\frac{k-1}{2}} \quad \text{if } k \text{ is odd.} \quad (7)$$

The index  $\lambda$  satisfies relation  $r = \lambda d^k$  see **Hedayat, Sloane, Stufken**  
*Orthogonal Arrays: Theory and Applications* (1999)

# Orthogonal Arrays & $k$ -uniform states

A link between them

	orthogonal arrays	multipartite quantum state $ \Phi\rangle$
$r$	Runs	Number of terms in the state
$N$	Factors	Number of qudits
$d$	Levels	dimension $d$ of the subsystem
$k$	Strength	class of entanglement ( $k$ -uniform)

holds

provided an **orthogonal array**  $\text{OA}(r, N, d, k)$

satisfies additional constraints !

(this relation is NOT one-to-one)



# $k$ -uniform states and Orthogonal Arrays I

Consider a **pure state**  $|\Phi\rangle$  of  $N$  qudits,

$$|\Phi\rangle = \sum_{s_1, \dots, s_N} a_{s_1, \dots, s_N} |s_1, \dots, s_N\rangle,$$

where  $a_{s_1, \dots, s_N} \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $s_1, \dots, s_N \in S$  and  $S = \{0, \dots, d - 1\}$ . Vectors  $\{|s_1, \dots, s_N\rangle\}$  form an orthonormal basis.

**Density matrix**  $\rho$  reads

$$\rho_{AB} = |\Phi\rangle\langle\Phi| = \sum_{\substack{s_1, \dots, s_N \\ s'_1, \dots, s'_N}} a_{s_1, \dots, s_N} a_{s'_1, \dots, s'_N}^* |s_1, \dots, s_N\rangle\langle s'_1, \dots, s'_N|.$$

We split the system into **two** parts  $S_A$  and  $S_B$  containing  $N_A$  and  $N_B$  qudits, respectively,  $N_A + N_B = N$ . and obtain the **reduced state**

$$\rho_A = \text{Tr}_B(\rho_{AB})$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{s_1 \dots s_N \\ s'_1 \dots s'_N}} a_{s_1 \dots s_N} a_{s'_1 \dots s'_N}^* \langle s'_{N_A+1}, \dots, s'_N | s_{N_A+1} \dots s_N \rangle |s_1 \dots s_{N_A}\rangle\langle s'_1 \dots s'_{N_A}|.$$

## $k$ -uniform states and Orthogonal Arrays II

A simple, **special case**: coefficients  $a_{s_1, \dots, s_N}$  are zero or one. Then

$$|\Phi\rangle = |s_1^1, s_2^1, \dots, s_N^1\rangle + |s_1^2, s_2^2, \dots, s_N^2\rangle + \dots + |s_1^r, s_2^r, \dots, s_N^r\rangle,$$

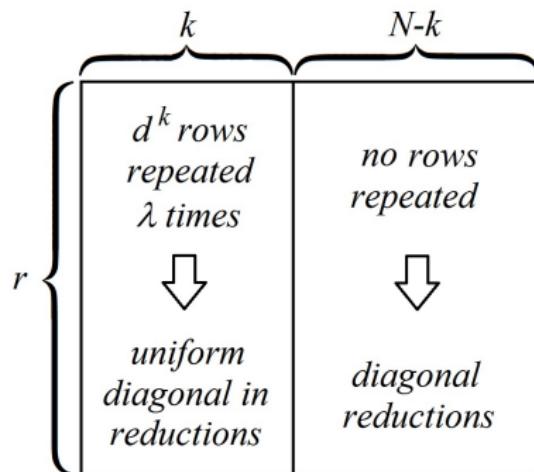
upper index  $i$  on  $s$  denotes the  $i - th$  term in  $|\Phi\rangle$ . These coefficients can be arranged in an **array**

$$A = \begin{matrix} s_1^1 & s_2^1 & \dots & s_N^1 \\ s_1^2 & s_2^2 & \dots & s_N^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ s_1^r & s_2^r & \dots & s_N^r \end{matrix}.$$

- i). If  $A$  forms an **orthogonal array** for any partition the diagonal elements of the reduced state  $\rho_A$  are equal.
- ii). If the sequence of  $N_B$  symbols appearing in every row of a subset of  $N_B$  columns **is not repeated** along the  $r$  rows (**irredundant OA**), the reduced density matrix  $\rho_A$  becomes diagonal.

# How to construct a $k$ -uniform state of $N$ qudits ?

- a) Take an **orthogonal array** OA( $r, N, d, k$ ) of **strength  $k$** .



- b) check if condition **ii)** is satisfied, so the array is **irredundant**.
- c) If yes, write the corresponding  $k$ -uniform state!

# Very simple examples

## a) Two qubit, 1-uniform state

Orthogonal array

$$OA(2, 2, 2, 1) = \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{matrix}$$

leads to the **Bell state**  $|\Psi_2^+\rangle = |01\rangle + |10\rangle$ , which is 1-uniform

## b) Three-qubit, 1-uniform state

Orthogonal array

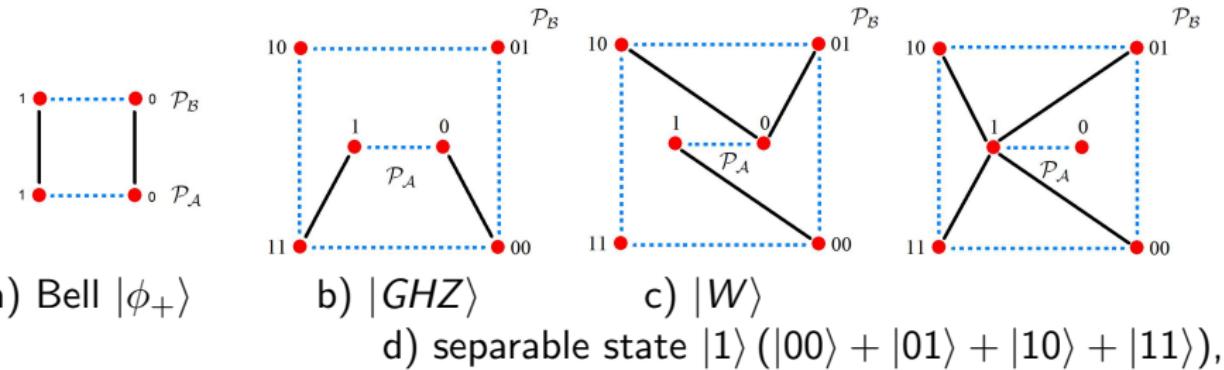
$$OA(4, 3, 2, 2) = \begin{matrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{matrix}$$

leads to the **balanced, 1-uniform state**,

$$|\Phi_3\rangle = |000\rangle + |011\rangle + |101\rangle + |110\rangle.$$

# Graph representation of $k$ -uniform states

- \*) Form polygons  $\mathcal{P}_A$  and  $\mathcal{P}_B$  representing principal and ancillary systems, respectively.
- \*\*) Connect vertex  $s_A^i$  to  $s_B^i$  for every  $i = 0, \dots, r - 1$ .



**Criterion:** A state  $|\Psi\rangle$  is  $k$ -uniform if

- i). every vertex of  $\mathcal{P}_B$  is connected, at most, to one edge.
- ii). every vertex of  $\mathcal{P}_A$  is connected to the same number of edges.

# Hadamard matrices & Orthogonal Arrays

A Hadamard matrix  $H_8 = H_2^{\otimes 3}$  of order  $N = 8$  implies OA(8,7,2,2)

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccccccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \begin{array}{ccccccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array}$$

This OA allows us to construct a **2-uniform state** of 7 qubits:

$$|\Phi_7\rangle = |1111111\rangle + |0101010\rangle + |1001100\rangle + |0011001\rangle + |1110000\rangle + |0100101\rangle + |1000011\rangle + |0010110\rangle.$$

a **simplex** state  $|\Phi_7\rangle$

## Examples of 2-uniform states obtained from $H_{12}$

### 8 qubits

$$\begin{aligned} |\Phi_8\rangle = & |00000000\rangle + |00011101\rangle + |10001110\rangle + |01000111\rangle + \\ & |10100011\rangle + |11010001\rangle + |01101000\rangle + |10110100\rangle + \\ & |11011010\rangle + |11101101\rangle + |01110110\rangle + |00111011\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

### 9 qubits

$$\begin{aligned} |\Phi_9\rangle = & |000000000\rangle + |100011101\rangle + |010001110\rangle + |101000111\rangle + \\ & |110100011\rangle + |011010001\rangle + |101101000\rangle + |110110100\rangle + \\ & |111011010\rangle + |011101101\rangle + |001110110\rangle + |000111011\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

### 10 qubits

$$\begin{aligned} |\Phi_{10}\rangle = & |0000000000\rangle + |0100011101\rangle + |1010001110\rangle + |1101000111\rangle + \\ & |0110100011\rangle + |1011010001\rangle + |1101101000\rangle + |1110110100\rangle + \\ & |0111011010\rangle + |0011101101\rangle + |0001110110\rangle + |1000111011\rangle, \end{aligned}$$

# Higher dimensions: uniform states of qutrits and ququarts

From OA(9,4,3,2) we get a **2-uniform** state of **4 qutrits**:

$$|\Psi_3^4\rangle = |0000\rangle + |0112\rangle + |0221\rangle + |1011\rangle + |1120\rangle + |1202\rangle + |2022\rangle + |2101\rangle + |2210\rangle.$$

From OA(16,5,4,2) we get the **2-uniform** state of **5 ququarts**,

$$|\Psi_4^5\rangle = |00000\rangle + |01111\rangle + |02222\rangle + |03333\rangle + |10123\rangle + |11032\rangle + |12301\rangle + |13210\rangle + |20231\rangle + |21320\rangle + |22013\rangle + |23102\rangle + |30312\rangle + |31203\rangle + |32130\rangle + |33021\rangle$$

related to the **Reed–Solomon code** of length 5.

# Six ququarts

From OA(64,6,4,3) we construct a **3-uniform** state of **6 ququarts**:

$$|\Psi_4^6\rangle =$$

$$\begin{aligned} &|000000\rangle + |001111\rangle + |002222\rangle + |003333\rangle + |010123\rangle + |011032\rangle + \\ &|012301\rangle + |013210\rangle + |020231\rangle + |021320\rangle + |022013\rangle + |023102\rangle + \\ &|030312\rangle + |031203\rangle + |032130\rangle + |033021\rangle + |100132\rangle + |101023\rangle + \\ &|102310\rangle + |103201\rangle + |110011\rangle + |111100\rangle + |112233\rangle + |113322\rangle + \\ &|120303\rangle + |121212\rangle + |122121\rangle + |123030\rangle + |130220\rangle + |131331\rangle + \\ &|132002\rangle + |133113\rangle + |200213\rangle + |201302\rangle + |202031\rangle + |203120\rangle + \\ &|210330\rangle + |211221\rangle + |212112\rangle + |213003\rangle + |220022\rangle + |221133\rangle + \\ &|222200\rangle + |223311\rangle + |230101\rangle + |231010\rangle + |232323\rangle + |233232\rangle + \\ &|300321\rangle + |301230\rangle + |302103\rangle + |303012\rangle + |310202\rangle + |311313\rangle + \\ &|312020\rangle + |313131\rangle + |320110\rangle + |321001\rangle + |322332\rangle + |323223\rangle + \\ &|330033\rangle + |331122\rangle + |332211\rangle + |333300\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

## Low number of subsystems: qubit states

$k \setminus N$	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	p	p	p	p	p	p	p
2	-	-	0	n	p	p	p
3	-	-	-	-	n	?	p
4	-	-	-	-	-	-	0

Existence of  **$k$ -uniform states** for  $N$  qubits:

$p$  – all positive coefficients

$n$  – some of coefficients are negative

$0$  – no existence established

? - case open

## Low number of subsystems: qudit states

$N \setminus d$	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
4	-	✓	✓	✓	?	✓	✓
6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
8	-	?	?	?	?	✓	✓

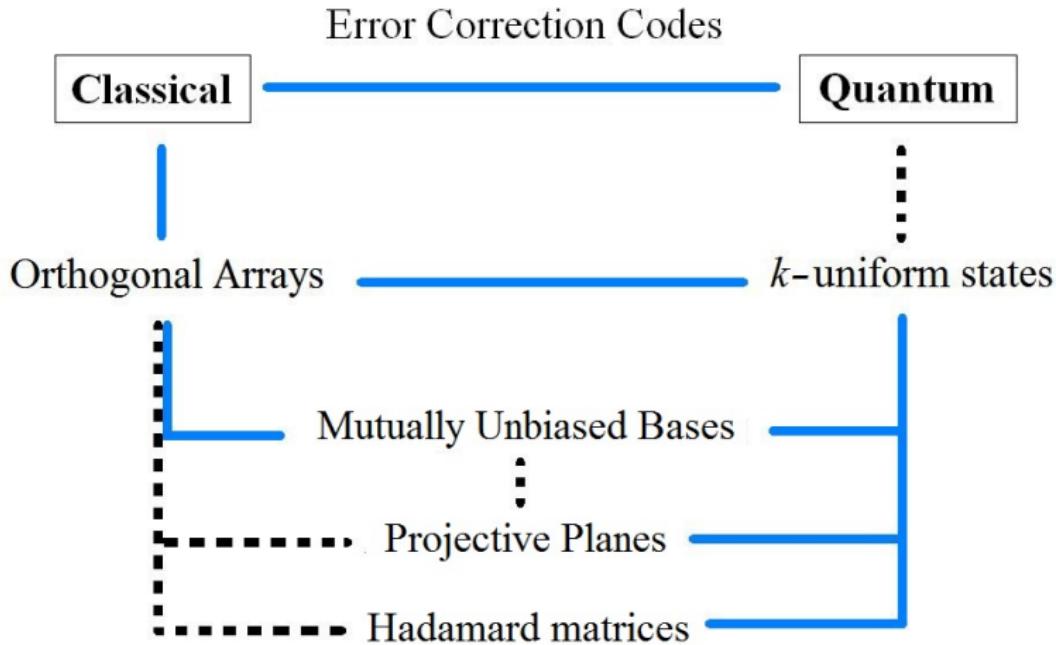
Existence of  **$k$ -uniform** states of  **$d$ -level** subsystems  
for the highest possible strength,  $k = N/2$ .



# Constructive results

- ① Basing on multi-qubit Hadamard matrices,  $H_{2^m} = H_2^{\otimes m}$ , we constructed **2-uniform states** of  $N$  qubits for any  $N \geq 6$ .
- ② Every orthogonal array of **index unity**,  $\text{OA}(d^k, N, d, k)$  allows us to generate a  **$k$ -uniform** state of  **$N$  qudits** of  $d$  levels if and only if  $k \leq N/2$ .
- ③ Making use of known results on **orthogonal matrices** we demonstrate existence of show following  **$k$ -uniform states**:
  - (i)  $k$ -uniform states of  $d + 1$  qudits with  $d$  levels,  
where  $d \geq 2$  and  $k \leq \frac{d+1}{2}$ .
  - (ii) 3-uniform states of  $2^m + 2$  qudits with  $2^m$  levels, where  $m \geq 2$ .
  - (iii)  $(2^m - 1)$ -uniform states of  $2^m + 2$  qudits with  $2^m$  levels,  
where  $m = 2, 4$ .
- ④ From every  **$k$ -uniform** state generated from an OA we construct an entire **orbit** of **maximally entangled** states.  
Three-qubit example: a 3-parameter orbit of 1-uniform states  
 $|\Phi_3\rangle(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3) = |000\rangle + e^{i\alpha_1}|011\rangle + e^{i\alpha_2}|101\rangle + e^{i\alpha_3}|110\rangle$ ,

# Links explored



Relationship between ***k*-uniform states**, quantum (classical) error correction codes, **mutually unbiased bases** and **orthogonal arrays**.



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# Open questions

- ① Solve the existence problem of **3-uniform** states of 7 and 8 qubits.
- ② Find for what  $N$  there exist **3-uniform** states of  **$N$  qubits** and **2-uniform** states of  **$N$  qutrits**.
- ③ Find how the maximal value  $k_{max}$ , for which  **$k_{max}$ -uniform** states of  $N$ -qubit exist, depends on  $N$ . Analyze the dependence  $k_{max}(N)$  for qutrits and higher,  $d$ -dimensional systems
- ④ Investigate existence of the approximate,  $(\epsilon, k)$ -uniform states,
- ⑤ Investigate the relation between **orthogonal arrays** corresponding to two **locally equivalent states**.

