

## Relative $t$ -designs on one shell of Johnson association schemes

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The concepts of relative  $t$ -designs in Q-polynomial and P-polynomial association schemes were respectively introduced by Delsarte [2] in 1977 and Bannai-Bannai-Suda-Tanaka [1] in 2015.

In this talk, we will discuss relative  $t$ -designs on one shell in Johnson association scheme  $J(v, k)$  for both P- and Q-polynomial structures. For any fixed point  $u_0 \in \binom{V}{k}$ , the  $r$ -th shell of  $J(v, k)$  w.r.t.  $u_0$  is defined by  $X_r = \{x \in \binom{V}{k} : |x \cap u_0| = k - r\}$ . Each nontrivial shell  $X_r$  of  $J(v, k)$  is known to be a commutative association scheme which is the product of two smaller Johnson association schemes, but it is not a Q-polynomial association scheme anymore. However, Martin [3] defined  $\mathcal{T}$ -designs in the product of Q-polynomial association schemes, where  $\mathcal{T}$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  satisfying some condition. We prove the following result.

Let  $(Y, w)$  be a relative  $t$ -design in  $J(v, k)$  w.r.t.  $u_0$  on one shell  $X_r$ . Then  $(Y, w)$  is a weighted  $\mathcal{T}$ -design in  $X_r$  (as product association scheme), where

- (i)  $\mathcal{T} = \{(t_1, t_2) \mid 0 \leq t_1 + t_2 \leq t\}$  for Q-polynomial structure of  $J(v, k)$ .
- (ii)  $\mathcal{T} = \{(t_1, t_2) \mid 0 \leq t_1, t_2 \leq t\}$  for P-polynomial structure of  $J(v, k)$ .

We also study the existence problem of tight relative  $t$ -designs for  $t = 2, 3$  for both P- and Q-polynomial structures. For P-polynomial structure, we propose an algorithm to construct tight relative 2-designs. All known examples of tight relative 3-designs for both P- and Q-polynomial structures are constructed from Hadamard  $2-(4u - 1, 2u - 1, u - 1)$  designs.

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