

Title: Learning quantum models for physical and non-physical data

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Abstract: <p>In this talk I address the problem of simultaneously inferring unknown quantum states and unknown quantum measurements from empirical data. This task goes beyond state tomography because we are not assuming anything about the measurement devices. I am going to talk about the time and sample complexity of the inference of states and measurements, and I am going to talk about the robustness of the minimal Hilbert space dimension. Moreover, I will describe a simple heuristic algorithm (alternating optimization) to fit states and measurements to empirical data. For this algorithm the dataset does not need to be quantum. Hence, the proposed algorithm enables us to interpret general datasets from a quantum perspective. By analyzing movie ratings, we demonstrate the power of quantum models in the context of item recommendation which is a key discipline in machine learning. We observe that quantum models can compete with state-of-the-art algorithms for item recommendation. Based on joint work with Aram Harrow. Relevant preprints: arXiv:1412.7437 and arXiv:1510.02800.</p>

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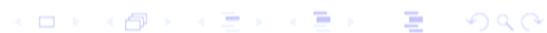
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## Robustness

- ▶ Often:  $\exists$  low dimensional solutions
- ▶ May suggest  $d$  not robust
- ▶ I.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} & \forall (\mathbb{C}^D, (\rho_x)_x, (E_{yz})_{yz}) \\ & \exists (\mathbb{C}^d, (\rho'_x)_x, (E'_{yz})_{yz}) \text{ with } d \ll D \\ & \text{s.t. } \text{tr}(\rho'_x E'_{yz}) \approx \text{tr}(\rho_x E_{yz}). \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ True?

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[Liu et al., de Nava, 2014; PCS, Han et al., 2014]

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[Lee, Wei, de Wolf, 2014], [CS, Harrow, 2014]

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Hence, large  $Z$  and large  $\text{rank}(E_{yz})$  appear to lead to robustness.

This motivates consideration of ...

*Pseudo low-rank:*  $(\mathbb{C}^D, (\rho_x)_x, (E_{yz})_{yz})$  *pseudo low-rank* if

- ▶  $Z$  small, i.e.,  $Z \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$  in  $D$
- ▶  $\underbrace{E_{y1}, \dots, E_{y,z'-1}}_{\text{low-rk}}, E_{yz'}, \underbrace{E_{y,z'+1}, \dots, E_{y,Z}}_{\text{low-rk}}$

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Then,  $\exists (\rho'_x)_x (E'_{yz})_{yz}$   $d$ -dimensional s.t.

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- ▶ Proof: analysis of explicit compression scheme;  
see [CS Harrow 2014]
- ▶ Generalization of [Winter, quant-ph/0401060]  
(specific to rk-1 measurements; quadratic compression)
- ▶ Implications in *learning*, *communication complexity* and  
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Observation: real-world data is *sparse*.

Dataset	items	$U$	$I$	Density
<i>Douban</i>	movies	129,490	58,541	0.22%
<i>Epinions (665K)</i>	cars, books, ...	40,163	139,738	0.012%
<i>Flixster</i>	movies	147,612	48,794	0.11%
<i>FilmTrust</i>	movies	1,508	2,071	1.14%
<i>MovieLens 1M</i>	movies	6,040	3,706	4.47%
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## Why quantum?

Q: Why quantum? In [CS, December 2015]:

- ▶ high predictive power on real-life datasets
- ▶ Practical relaxation of compressed classical models
- ▶ extraction of hierarchical orderings of properties

Next: *high predictive power.*

## Evaluation of predictive power

- ▶ **Claim:** q-models are good at predicting unknown entries.
- ▶ **Q:** How do we decide “model A is more predictive than model B”?

Solution:

1. decide on error measure  $\text{dist}(\text{prediction}, \text{ground truth})$
2. split  $\Omega$ ;  $\Omega = \Omega_{\text{train}} \dot{\cup} \Omega_{\text{test}}$
3. use  $(p_{uiz})_{(uiz) \in \Omega_{\text{train}}}$  to compute models A and B.
4. Model A is better than B if

$$\text{dist}(\text{prediction}_A, \text{truth}) < \text{dist}(\text{prediction}_B, \text{truth})$$

## Empirical results

### MovieLens 100K:

- » 943 users and 1,682 movies
- » 100,000 ratings (1-5 stars)

### MovieLens 1M:

- » 6,040 users and 3,706 movies
- » 1,000,209 ratings (1-5 stars)

Reconstruction through *alternating optimization*.

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	<i>100K</i> MAE	<i>100K</i> RMSE	<i>1M</i> MAE	<i>1M</i> RMSE
UserKNN <sup>2</sup>	0.737	0.944	0.703	0.905
ItemKNN <sup>3</sup>	0.723	0.924	0.688	0.876
NMF <sup>4</sup>	0.752	0.955	0.727	0.920
SVD++ <sup>5</sup>	0.719	<b>0.912</b>	0.668	<b>0.851</b>
Quantum	<b>0.703</b>	0.994	<b>0.641</b>	0.917

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<sup>2</sup>Resnick et al 1994

<sup>3</sup>Rendle et al 2009

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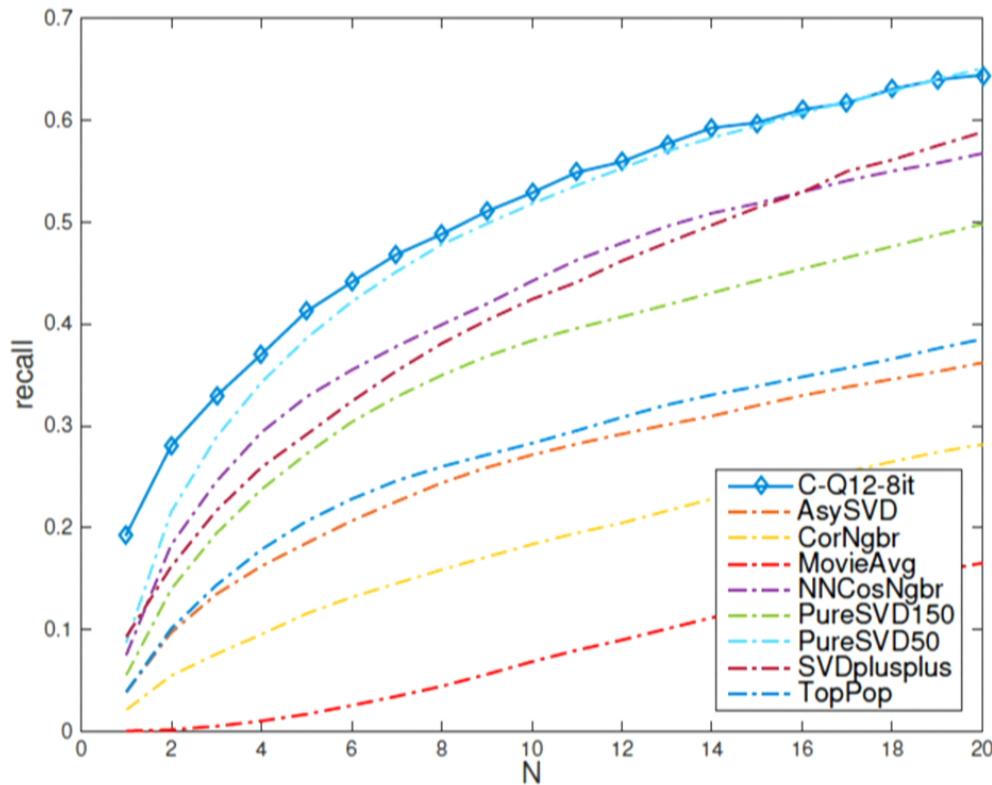


Figure: Recall at  $N$ . C-Q12-8it is a 12-dimensional quantum model.

## Conclusions

- ▶ Considered problem of learning of quantum models
- ▶ *NP-hard.*
- ▶ For some data,  $d$  is robust. But pseudo-low rank models admit exponential compression.

Demonstration of power of quantum models for non-physical data in the context of item recommendation.