

**Problem 1. (*Complex numbers*).** Consider the following two complex numbers

$$x = 1 + i \text{ \& } y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

1. What are  $\text{Re}(x)$ ,  $\text{Re}(y)$ ,  $\text{Im}(x)$  and  $\text{Im}(y)$ ? Draw both  $x$  and  $y$  in the complex plane.
2. Compute  $x + y$  and  $xy$ .
3. Compute  $|x|$  and  $|y|$ .
4. Rewrite  $x$ ,  $y$ ,  $x + y$  and  $xy$  in polar coordinates, that is, for each of those four complex numbers  $z$  find the  $r > 0$  and  $\varphi \in [0, 2\pi)$  such that  $z = r^{i\varphi}$ .

**Problem 2. (*Matrices and vectors*).** Consider the following two complex vectors

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ \& } w = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Furthermore, consider the complex matrices

$$H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ \& } U = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

1. Compute  $x = v - i\sqrt{2}w$ .
2. Compute  $Hv$ ,  $Hw$  and  $Hx$ . What is the relationship between these three vectors?
3. Compute  $Uv$ ,  $Uw$  and  $Ux$ . What is the relationship between these three vectors?
4. Compute  $\langle v, w \rangle$ ,  $\langle v, x \rangle$  and  $\langle w, x \rangle$ . Which of the vectors  $v$ ,  $w$  and  $x$  are orthogonal?

**Remark.** When considering complex vectors the inner product is given by

$$\langle v, w \rangle = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \bar{v}_j w_j, \text{ where for } v_j = a + bi \text{ we have } \bar{v}_j = a - bi.$$

5. Compute  $\|v\|$ ,  $\|w\|$  and  $\|x\|$ . Which of the vectors  $v$ ,  $w$  and  $x$  are orthonormal?
6. Compute  $HU$ ,  $UH$  and  $H \otimes U$ . On what spaces do they operate, i.e., what kind of vectors can we plug-in to multiply with?
7. Is  $H$  and/or  $U$  Hermitian? Explain.

**Problem 3. (*Complexity theory*).** Draw a Venn diagram of how you think the inclusions are among the complexity classes  $P$ ,  $\text{EXP}$ ,  $\text{NP}$ ,  $\text{BPP}$  and  $\text{BQP}$ . Also, point out where you think the problem of **factoring** lies.

**Remark.** Some of the inclusions among the above complexity classes are still open problems. For example, the famous  $P \neq \text{NP}$  conjecture is still unproven and we also don't know whether  $\text{BPP} \subsetneq \text{BQP}$  or  $\text{BPP} = \text{BQP}$ . See the next page for a picture of the most widely conjectured Venn diagram.

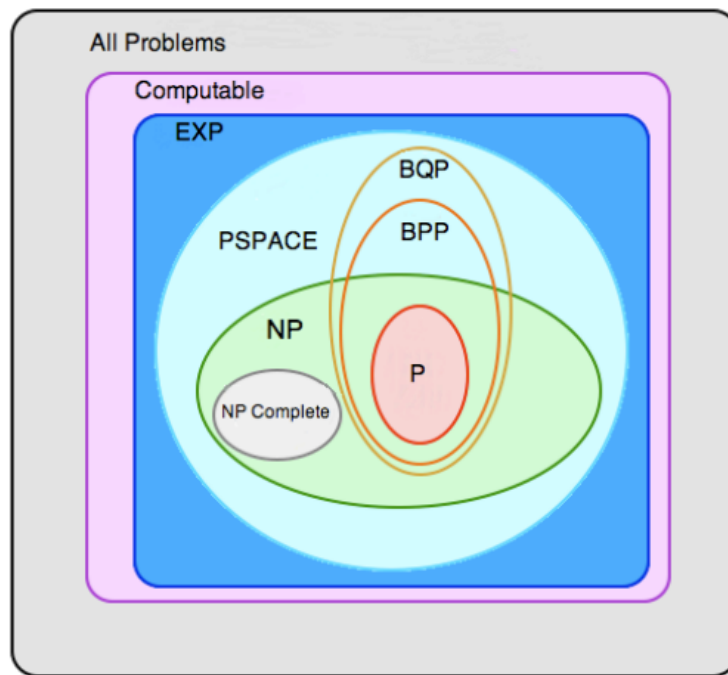


Figure 1: taken from arXiv:1108.0560