

THE SINGULAR BIVARIATE QUARTIC TRACIAL MOMENT PROBLEM

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ABSTRACT. The (classical) truncated moment problem, extensively studied by Curto and Fialkow, asks to characterize when a finite sequence of real numbers indexed by words in commuting variables can be represented with moments of a positive Borel measure μ on \mathbb{R}^n . In [9] Burgdorf and Klep introduced its tracial analog, the truncated tracial moment problem, which replaces commuting variables with non-commuting ones and moments of μ with tracial moments of matrices. In the bivariate quartic case, where indices run over words in two variables of degree at most four, every sequence with a positive definite 7×7 moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 can be represented with tracial moments [8, 9]. In this article the case of singular \mathcal{M}_2 is studied. For \mathcal{M}_2 of rank at most 5 the problem is solved completely; namely, concrete measures are obtained whenever they exist and the uniqueness question of the minimal measures is answered. For \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 the problem splits into four cases, in two of which it is equivalent to the feasibility problem of certain linear matrix inequalities. Finally, the question of a flat extension of the moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 is addressed. While this is the most powerful tool for solving the classical case, it is shown here by examples that, while sufficient, flat extensions are mostly not a necessary condition for the existence of a measure in the tracial case.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Context. The Moment problem (MP) is a classical question in analysis and concerns the existence of a positive Borel measure μ supported on a subset K of \mathbb{R}^n , representing a given sequence of real or complex numbers indexed by monomials as the integration of the corresponding monomials w.r.t. μ ; nice expositions on the MP are [1, 36]. The solution to the MP on \mathbb{R}^n is given by Haviland's theorem [25], which establishes the duality with positive polynomials and relates the MP to real algebraic geometry (RAG). One of the cornerstones of RAG is the celebrated Schmüdgen theorem [52], which solves the problem on compact basic closed semialgebraic sets and is the beginning of extensive research of the MP in RAG; we refer the reader to [47, 50, 23, 46, 37, 41, 42, 44, 40] and the references therein for further details. Another important aspect of the MP is uniqueness of the representing measures. For compact sets the measure is unique (see e.g., [44]), while for noncompact sets, the question of uniqueness is highly nontrivial (see [48, 49]).

There are various generalizations of the MP. Functional analysis studies various versions of matrix and operator MPs; see [35, 34, 2, 55, 3, 13, 33] and references therein. The quantum MP from quantum physics is considered in [24]. The rational MP, which extends Schmüdgen theorem from the polynomial algebra to its localizations, is solved in [12], while [28] investigates the MP for the polynomial algebra in infinitely many variables. The MP on semialgebraic sets of generalized function is considered in [32]. The beginning of free RAG is the solution of the full non-commutative (nc) MP by McCullough [McC01] and Helton [Hel02]. The nc MP has been further investigated in [31] and [30]. In [31] the authors solve the full nc MP for nc matrix polynomials on a bounded nc semialgebraic set, while in [30] the truncated nc MP for nc matrix polynomials on a convex nc semialgebraic set is solved. Finally, the most recent free MP is a tracial MP [8, 9, 7, 10] which is also the contents of this article.

The (classical) truncated moment problem (TMP) refers to the MP where only finitely many numbers in the sequence are given and one wants to know if they can be generated from a measure. By the Bayer-Teichmann version [4] of the Tchakaloff theorem [54], it is sufficient to study only finitely atomic measures. Furthermore, the TMP is more general than the full MP by a result of Stochel [53]. Curto and Fialkow shined new light on the TMP in their series of papers [15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 27]. One of their crowning achievements is the discovery that if a moment matrix admits a rank preserving extension (to a moment matrix), then the corresponding sequence admits a representing

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measure. Using this result, they completely solved the bivariate quartic TMP. Recently, the representing measures for the bivariate nonsingular quartic MP were constructed by the use of computer algebra [22].

The study of the truncated tracial moment problem (TTMP) was initiated by Burgdorf and Klep in [8, 9], followed by [7]. A very nice reference including the results of this paragraph that also deals with polynomial optimization problems in matrix unknowns is [10]. The motivation to study the TTMP comes from trace-positive polynomials, which are very interesting due to important applications, e.g., Connes' embedding problem [14] from functional analysis and Bessis-Moussa-Villani conjecture from statistical quantum mechanics have reformulations in terms of trace-positive polynomials [38, 39, 6]. Determining if a polynomial is trace-positive, being the dual problem to the TTMP, is the connection of the TTMP with free RAG. Using this duality the bivariate quartic tracial MP with a positive definite moment matrix is solved in [8] (for alternative proof see [11]) by showing that bivariate quartic trace-positive polynomials are always sums of hermitian squares and commutators. This fact does not generalize to higher powers or more variables (see examples in [38, 39, 51]). In [9, 7] the authors obtain the tracial analogs of the results on the classical moment problem of Curto and Fialkow, Stochel, Bayer and Teichmann, Fialkow and Nie [26], providing powerful means to tackle the special cases of the TTMP in a way analogous way to the classical one.

In this section we state the main concepts and results of this paper. In Subsection 1.2 we introduce some essential definitions before stating the main results in Subsection 1.3. Finally, Subsection 1.4 is a guide to the organization of the rest of the paper.

1.2. Bivariate quartic tracial moment problem. In this subsection we state the main problem and introduce basic definitions used throughout this article.

1.2.1. Noncommutative bivariate polynomials. We denote by $\langle X, Y \rangle$ the **free monoid** generated by the noncommuting letters X, Y and call its elements **words** in X, Y . Consider the free algebra $\mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle$ of polynomials in X, Y with coefficients in \mathbb{R} . Its elements are called **noncommutative (nc) polynomials**. Endow $\mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle$ with the involution $p \mapsto p^*$ fixing $\mathbb{R} \cup \{X, Y\}$ pointwise. The length of the longest word in a polynomial $f \in \mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle$ is the **degree** of f and is denoted by $\deg(f)$ or $|f|$. We write $\mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq k}$ for all polynomials of degree at most k . For a word $w \in \langle X, Y \rangle$, w^* is its reverse, and $v \in \langle X, Y \rangle$ is **cyclically equivalent** to w , which we denote by $v \stackrel{\text{cyc}}{\sim} w$, if and only if v is a cyclic permutation of w .

1.2.2. Bivariate quartic real tracial moment problem. Given a sequence of real numbers $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)} = (\beta_w)_{|w| \leq 4}$, indexed by words w of length at most 4 such that

$$\beta_v = \beta_w \quad \text{whenever } v \stackrel{\text{cyc}}{\sim} w \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_w = \beta_{w^*} \quad \text{for all } |w| \leq 4,$$

i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} \beta &= (\beta_1, \beta_X, \beta_Y, \beta_{X^2}, \beta_{XY} = \beta_{YX}, \beta_{Y^2}, \beta_{X^3}, \beta_{X^2Y} = \beta_{XYX} = \beta_{YX^2}, \\ &\beta_{XY^2} = \beta_{YXY} = \beta_{Y^2X}, \beta_{Y^3}, \beta_{X^4}, \beta_{X^3Y} = \beta_{X^2YX} = \beta_{XYX^2} = \beta_{YX^3}, \\ &\beta_{X^2Y^2} = \beta_{XY^2X} = \beta_{Y^2X^2} = \beta_{YX^2Y}, \beta_{XYXY} = \beta_{YXYX}, \\ &\beta_{XY^3} = \beta_{YXY^2} = \beta_{Y^2XY} = \beta_{Y^3X}, \beta_{Y^4}), \end{aligned}$$

the **bivariate quartic real tracial moment problem (BQTMP)** for β asks to find conditions for the existence of $N \in \mathbb{N}$, $t_i \in \mathbb{N}$, $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ with $\sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i = 1$ and pairs of real symmetric matrices $(A_i, B_i) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{t_i \times t_i})^2$, such that

$$(1.1) \quad \beta_w = \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i \text{Tr}(w(A_i, B_i)),$$

where w runs over the indices of the sequence β and Tr denotes the **normalized trace**, i.e.,

$$\text{Tr}(A) = \frac{1}{t} \text{tr}(A) \quad \text{for every } A \in \mathbb{R}^{t \times t}.$$

If such data exist, we say that β admits a representing measure. The vectors (A_i, B_i) are **atoms of size** t_i and the numbers λ_i are **densities**. We say that μ is a representing measure of **type** (m_1, m_2, \dots, m_r) if it consists of exactly $m_i \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ atoms of size i . A representing measure of type $(m_1^{(1)}, m_2^{(1)}, \dots, m_{r_1}^{(1)})$ is **minimal**, if there does not exist another representing measure of type $(m_1^{(2)}, m_2^{(2)}, \dots, m_{r_2}^{(2)})$ such that

$$r_2 < r_1 \quad \text{or} \quad (r_2 = r_1, m_{r_2}^{(2)} < m_{r_1}^{(1)}) \quad \text{or} \quad (r_2 = r_1, m_{r_2}^{(2)} = m_{r_2}^{(1)}, m_{r_2-1}^{(2)} < m_{r_1-1}^{(1)})$$

$$\text{or } \dots \text{ or } (r_2 = r_1, m_{r_2}^{(2)} = m_{r_2}^{(1)}, \dots, m_2^{(2)} = m_2^{(1)}, m_1^{(2)} < m_1^{(1)}).$$

If $\beta_1 = 1$, then we say β is **normalized**. We may always assume that β is normalized (otherwise we replace Tr with $\frac{1}{\beta_1} \text{Tr}$). If $\beta_{X^2Y^2} = \beta_{XYXY}$, we call β a **commutative (cm) sequence** and the MP reduces to the classical one solved by Curto and Fialkow. If $\beta_{X^2Y^2} \neq \beta_{XYXY}$, then β is a **noncommutative (nc) sequence**.

Remark 1.1. (1) Note that replacing a vector (A_i, B_i) with any vector

$$(U_i A_i U_i^t, U_i B_i U_i^t) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{t_i \times t_i})^2$$

where $U_i \in \mathbb{R}^{t_i \times t_i}$ is an orthogonal matrix, preserves (1.1).

- (2) By the tracial version [7, Theorem 3.8] of Bayer-Teichmann theorem [4], the problem (1.1) is equivalent to the more general problem of finding a probability measure μ on $(\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{t \times t})^2$ such that $\beta_w = \int_{(\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{t \times t})^2} \text{Tr}(w(A, B)) \, d\mu(A, B)$.

We associate to the sequence β the **truncated moment matrix** $\mathcal{M}_2 = \mathcal{M}_2(\beta)$ of **order 2** with rows and columns indexed by words in $\mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq 2}$ in the degree-lexicographic order. The entry in row U and column V is β_{U^*V} , i.e.,

$$(1.2) \quad \mathcal{M}_2 = \begin{matrix} & \mathbb{1} & X & Y & X^2 & XY & YX & Y^2 \\ \begin{matrix} \mathbb{1} \\ X \\ Y \\ X^2 \\ XY \\ YX \\ Y^2 \end{matrix} & \left(\begin{matrix} \beta_1 & \beta_X & \beta_Y & \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{XY} & \beta_{XY} & \beta_{Y^2} \\ \beta_X & \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{XY} & \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{XY^2} \\ \beta_Y & \beta_{XY} & \beta_{Y^2} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{XY^2} & \beta_{XY^2} & \beta_{Y^3} \\ \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^2Y^2} \\ \beta_{XY} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{XY^2} & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^2Y^2} & \beta_{XYXY} & \beta_{XY^3} \\ \beta_{XY} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{XY^2} & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{XYXY} & \beta_{X^2Y^2} & \beta_{XY^3} \\ \beta_{Y^2} & \beta_{XY^2} & \beta_{Y^3} & \beta_{X^2Y^2} & \beta_{XY^3} & \beta_{XY^3} & \beta_{Y^4} \end{matrix} \right) \end{matrix}$$

Observe that the matrix \mathcal{M}_2 is symmetric. If β admits a measure, then \mathcal{M}_2 is positive semidefinite (psd); see Proposition 2.1. If \mathcal{M}_2 represents a cm sequence, we call it a **cm moment matrix**. Otherwise \mathcal{M}_2 is a **nc moment matrix**. By [9, Corollaries 3.19, 3.20], β admits a measure if and only if there exists a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_{2+k} extending \mathcal{M}_2 , which admits a rank preserving extension \mathcal{M}_{2+k+1} . Furthermore, by [9, Corollary 3.2] in this case the atoms of size at most $\text{rank}(\mathcal{M}_{2+k})$ are sufficient. If \mathcal{M}_2 is positive definite, then β admits a measure since all trace-positive polynomials of degree 4 are cyclically equivalent to sums of hermitian squares [8]. This is the duality established by [9, Theorem 4.4]. Moreover, the measure consists of at most 15 atoms of size 2 [7, Remark 3.9].

1.3. Results. In this paper we study the BQTMP for sequences with *singular* moment matrices. Initially, we approached this problem using a nc analog of the main tool for studying commutative sequences, i.e., finding rank preserving extensions of the moment matrices involved. As is already well established by Curto and Fialkow, the existence of a measure usually implies the existence of a rank preserving extension of a moment matrix, and hence a minimal measure with $\text{rank}(\mathcal{M}_2)$ atoms; see Theorem 2.7 below. However, in stark contrast to the commutative case, our research soon revealed that this does not apply for noncommutative sequences β . Characterizing moment matrices \mathcal{M}_2 which admit a flat extension is insufficient for solving the BQTMP. The most versatile tool in tackling the BQTMP is the application of appropriate affine linear transformations on the sequences β , see Subsection 2.5 below. This splits the BQTMP into finitely many cases according to the column relations that exist in \mathcal{M}_2 . For \mathcal{M}_2 of rank at most 5, we completely characterize the existence, minimality and uniqueness of a measure in terms of the parameters β_w . In two out of the four cases of \mathcal{M}_2 being of rank at most 6, we prove that the BQTMP is equivalent to the feasibility problem of certain linear matrix inequalities with an additional rank-to-variety condition for one of them. In all but a single case - that of \mathcal{M}_2 being rank 6 and satisfying $Y^2 = \mathbb{1}$ - we show that atoms of size at most 2 suffice in the minimal measure of β . We now give a brief outline of the results we prove in this paper.

Outline of the results on BQTMP: (We assume that β is a nc sequence.)

- (1) If $\text{rank}(\mathcal{M}_2) \leq 3$, then β does not admit a measure. Namely, if β admits a measure, then the columns $\mathbb{1}, X, Y, XY$ in \mathcal{M}_2 must be linearly independent (see Corollary 2.3 below).
- (2) If $\text{rank}(\mathcal{M}_2) = 4$, then it suffices, after applying an appropriate affine linear transformation, to study the case when \mathcal{M}_2 satisfies the column relations

$$X^2 = \mathbb{1}, \quad XY + YX = a\mathbb{1}, \quad Y^2 = \mathbb{1},$$

where $a \in (-2, 2)$. By finding the representing atom of size 2 it turns out that such β always admits a measure. Moreover, the representing atom is unique (up to orthogonal equivalence); see Theorem 3.1.

- (3) If $\text{rank}(\mathcal{M}_2) = 5$, then it suffices, after applying an appropriate affine linear transformation, to study four special cases when \mathcal{M}_2 satisfies the column relation

$$(1.3) \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$$

and one of

$$(1.4) \quad \mathbb{X}^2 + \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 - \mathbb{X}^2 = \mathbf{1} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{X}^2$$

(see Proposition 4.1 (1)). Due to the first relation the atoms in the minimal measure are of special form (see Proposition 5.1). In particular, all the atoms of size bigger than 1 have trace 0. Analyzing moment matrices \mathcal{M}_2 generated only by atoms of size bigger than 1 with trace 0, we show that only one such atom of size 2 is needed. Since every atom of size 2 generates a moment matrix of rank 4, β admits a measure if and only if there is a nc moment matrix $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_2$ of rank 4 representing a nc sequence $\widetilde{\beta}$ admitting a measure such that $\mathcal{M}_2 - \alpha\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_2$, $\alpha > 0$, is a cm moment matrix admitting a measure. However, there are infinitely many possible atoms of size 2 satisfying relations (1.3) and (1.4). But there are at most 4 atoms of size 1 satisfying (1.3) and (1.4). Therefore it is easier to subtract candidates for a cm moment matrices $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_2$. Namely, using *Mathematica* we compute the smallest $\alpha > 0$ such that $\text{rank}(\mathcal{M}_2 - \alpha\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_2) = 4$. By the solution of the rank 4 case we can characterize exactly, in terms of the parameters β_w , when a measure exists, type of a minimal measure and its uniqueness.

- (4) If $\text{rank}(\mathcal{M}_2) = 6$, then it suffices, after applying an appropriate affine linear transformation, to understand the four special cases when \mathcal{M}_2 satisfies one of the column relations

$$\mathbb{X}^2 + \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 - \mathbb{X}^2 = \mathbf{1} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1}$$

(see Proposition 4.1 (2)). In the first three cases the atoms in the minimal measure for β are of size at most 2. In the first two cases the measure always exists if $\beta_X = \beta_Y = \beta_{X^3} = \beta_{X^2Y} = \beta_{Y^3} = 0$. This is proved by computing, using *Mathematica*, the smallest $\alpha > 0$ such that

$$\text{rank}\left(\mathcal{M}_2 - \alpha\left(\mathcal{M}_2^{(1,0)} + \mathcal{M}_2^{(-1,0)}\right)\right) < 6$$

(resp. $\text{rank}\left(\mathcal{M}_2 - \alpha\mathcal{M}_2^{(0,0)}\right) < 6$), where $\mathcal{M}_2^{(x,y)}$ is the moment matrix generated by the atom $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, and using the results of $\text{rank}(\mathcal{M}_2) \leq 5$. Otherwise, still referring to the first two cases of rank 6, if one of the moments $\beta_X, \beta_Y, \beta_{X^3}, \beta_{X^2Y}, \beta_{Y^3}$ is nonzero, then the existence of the measure is equivalent to the feasibility of certain linear matrix inequalities.

1.4. Reader's guide. The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2 we prove some preliminary results about tracial moment sequences (see Subsections 2.1-2.5) and present the solution of the classical singular bivariate quartic MP (see Theorem 2.7). In Section 3 we solve BQTMP with \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 4. In Section 4 we reduce the study of BQTMP with \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 or 6 to four basic cases (see Proposition 4.1). In Section 5 we prove that in the basic cases of rank 5 and three basic cases of rank 6, atoms are of a special form and all the atoms of size at least 2 in some minimal measure have trace 0 (see Proposition 5.1). In Section 6 we solve all four basic cases of rank 5 (see Theorems 6.4, 6.7, 6.10, 6.13). In Section 7 we prove that in the first three basic cases of rank 6 atoms of size 2 suffice in the minimal measure for β . Then we study the relation $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} - \mathbb{X}^2$ in Subsection 7.1 (see Theorem 7.5 and Corollary 7.6) and the relation $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ in Subsection 7.2 (see Theorem 7.8 and Corollary 7.9). In Section 8 we analyze the existence of flat extensions with a moment structure for moment matrices \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6.

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2. PRELIMINARIES

This section is devoted to terminology, notation and some preliminary results. Since these results hold for sequence of any degree (not only of degree 4) we will work with a general case.

2.1. Bivariate truncated tracial moment problem. BQTMP is a special case of a **bivariate truncated tracial moment problem**: Given a sequence of real numbers $\beta \equiv \beta^{(2k)} = (\beta_w)_{|w| \leq 2k}$, indexed by words w of length at most $2k$ such that

$$(2.1) \quad \beta_v = \beta_w \quad \text{whenever } v \stackrel{\text{cyc}}{\sim} w \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_w = \beta_{w^*} \quad \text{for all } |w| \leq 2k,$$

when does there exist $N \in \mathbb{N}$, $t_i \in \mathbb{N}$, $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ with $\sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i = 1$ and vectors $(A_i, B_i) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{t_i \times t_i})^2$, such that

$$(2.2) \quad \beta_w = \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i \text{Tr}(w(A_i, B_i)),$$

where w runs over the indices of the sequence β .

2.2. Riesz functional and truncated moment matrix. For a polynomial $p \in \mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq 2k}$, let $\hat{p} = (a_w)_w$ be its coefficient vector with respect to the lexicographically-ordered basis

$$\{1, X, Y, X^2, XY, YX, Y^2, \dots, X^{2k}, \dots, Y^{2k}\}$$

of $\mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq 2k}$. Any sequence $\beta \equiv \beta^{(2k)} : \beta_1, \dots, \beta_{X^{2k}}, \dots, \beta_{Y^{2k}}$, which satisfies (2.1) defines the **Riesz functional** $L_{\beta^{(2k)}} : \mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq 2k} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$L_{\beta^{(2k)}}(p) := \sum_{|w| \leq 2k} a_w \beta_w, \quad \text{where } p = \sum_{|w| \leq 2k} a_w w.$$

Notice that

$$\beta_w = L_{\beta^{(2k)}}(w) \quad \text{for every } |w| \leq 2k.$$

The **truncated moment matrix** $\mathcal{M}_k(\beta)$ of order k is defined by

$$\mathcal{M}_k = \mathcal{M}_k(\beta^{(2k)}) = (\beta_{U^*V})_{|U| \leq k, |V| \leq k},$$

where the rows and columns are indexed by monomials in $\mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq k}$ in lexicographic order. When $k = 2$, \mathcal{M}_2 is of the form (1.2). \mathcal{M}_k is the unique matrix such that for $p, q \in \mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq k}$ we have that

$$\langle \mathcal{M}_k \hat{p}, \hat{q} \rangle = L_{\beta^{(2k)}}(pq^*),$$

where $\langle \hat{p}, \hat{q} \rangle := \hat{p}^t \hat{q}$. In particular, the row $w_1(X, Y)$ and column $w_2(X, Y)$ entry of \mathcal{M}_k is equal to

$$\left\langle \mathcal{M}_k w_2(\widehat{X, Y}), w_1(\widehat{X, Y}) \right\rangle = L_{\beta^{(2k)}}(w_2 w_1^*).$$

If $\beta^{(2k)}$ admits a measure, i.e., (2.2) holds for every β_w , then for $p \in \mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle$ of degree at most k we have that

$$\langle \mathcal{M}_k \hat{p}, \hat{p} \rangle = L_{\beta^{(2k)}}(pp^*) = \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \text{Tr}(p(X_i, Y_i)(p(X_i, Y_i))^*) \geq 0,$$

where λ_i, X_i, Y_i are as in (2.2). This proves the following proposition.

Proposition 2.1. *If $\beta^{(2k)}$ admits a measure, then \mathcal{M}_k is positive semidefinite.*

2.3. Support of a measure and RG relations. Let A be a matrix with its rows and columns indexed by words in $\mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle$. Writing $w(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y})$ we mean the column of A indexed by the word w . $[A]_E$ denotes the compression of A to the rows and columns indexed by the elements of the set E . Similarly for vectors \mathbf{v} , \mathbf{v}_E denotes the compression of \mathbf{v} to the entries indexed by words in E . $\mathbf{0}_{m \times n}$ stand for the $m \times n$ matrix with zero entries. Usually we will omit the subindex $m \times n$, when the size will be clear from the context.

Let $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{M}_k}$ denote the column space of \mathcal{M}_k , i.e.,

$$\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{M}_k} = \text{span}\{\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \dots, \mathbb{X}^k, \dots, \mathbb{Y}^k\}.$$

For a polynomial $p \in \mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq k}$ of the form $p = \sum a_w w(X, Y)$, we define

$$p(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = \sum_w a_w w(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y})$$

and notice that $p(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) \in \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{M}_k}$. We express linear dependencies among the columns of \mathcal{M}_k as

$$p_1(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = \mathbf{0}, \dots, p_m(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = \mathbf{0},$$

for some $p_1, \dots, p_m \in \mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq k}$, $m \in \mathbb{N}$. We define the **free zero set** $\mathcal{Z}(p)$ of $p \in \mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle$ by

$$\mathcal{Z}(p) := \{(A, B) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{t \times t})^2 : t \in \mathbb{N}, p(A, B) = \mathbf{0}_{t \times t}\}.$$

Theorem 2.2 (1) (resp. (3)) is a real tracial analogue of [15, Proposition 3.1] (resp. [17, Theorem 1.6]).

Theorem 2.2. *Suppose $\beta^{(2k)}$ admits a representing measure consisting of finitely many atoms $(X_i, Y_i) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{t_i \times t_i})^2$, $t_i \in \mathbb{N}$, with the corresponding densities $\lambda_i \in (0, 1)$. Let $p \in \mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq k}$ be a polynomial. Then the following are true:*

(1) *We have*

$$\bigcup_i (X_i, Y_i) \subseteq \mathcal{Z}(p) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad p(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = \mathbf{0} \text{ in } \mathcal{M}_k.$$

(2) *Suppose the sequence $\beta^{(2k+2)} = (\beta_w)_{|w| \leq k+1}$ is the extension of β generated by*

$$\beta_w = \sum_i \lambda_i \text{Tr}(w(X_i, Y_i)).$$

Let \mathcal{M}_{k+1} be the corresponding moment matrix. Then:

$$p(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = \mathbf{0} \text{ in } \mathcal{M}_k \quad \Rightarrow \quad p(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = \mathbf{0} \text{ in } \mathcal{M}_{k+1}.$$

(3) *(Recursive generation) For $q \in \mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq k}$ such that $pq \in \mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq k}$, we have*

$$p(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = \mathbf{0} \text{ in } \mathcal{M}_k \quad \Rightarrow \quad (pq)(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = (qp)(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = \mathbf{0} \text{ in } \mathcal{M}_k.$$

Proof. Write $p = \sum_{|w| \leq n} a_w w$ where $a_w \in \mathbb{R}$. We have that

$$\langle \mathcal{M}_k \hat{p}, \hat{p} \rangle = L_\beta(pp^*) = \sum_{|w|, |v| \leq k} a_w a_v \beta_{wv^*} = \sum_i \lambda_i \text{Tr}(p(X_i, Y_i)p^*(X_i, Y_i)).$$

Observe that

$$(2.3) \quad \mathcal{M}_k \hat{p} = p(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) \text{ in } \mathcal{M}_k.$$

Since \mathcal{M}_k is psd,

$$(2.4) \quad \mathcal{M}_k \hat{p} = \mathbf{0} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \langle \mathcal{M}_k \hat{p}, \hat{p} \rangle = 0.$$

Since $p(X_i, Y_i)p^*(X_i, Y_i)$ is psd for each i , we have that

$$(2.5) \quad \sum_i \lambda_i \text{Tr}(p(X_i, Y_i)p^*(X_i, Y_i)) = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad p(X_i, Y_i) = \mathbf{0}_{t_i \times t_i}.$$

By (2.3), (2.4) and (2.5), Theorem 2.2 (1) is true. Theorem 2.2 (2) follows easily.

It remains to prove Theorem 2.2 (3). If $\deg(p) = k$, then $q \in \mathbb{R}$ and statement is clear. Else $\deg(p) < k$. It suffices to prove that

$$(2.6) \quad (Xp)(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = (pX)(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = (Yp)(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = (pY)(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = \mathbf{0} \text{ in } \mathcal{M}_k.$$

First we will prove that $(Xp)(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = \mathbf{0}$ in \mathcal{M}_k . By Theorem 2.2 (1), we know that

$$(2.7) \quad \bigcup_i (X_i, Y_i) \subseteq \mathcal{Z}(p) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad p(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = \mathbf{0} \text{ in } \mathcal{M}_k,$$

$$(2.8) \quad \bigcup_i (X_i, Y_i) \subseteq \mathcal{Z}(Xp) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad (Xp)(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = \mathbf{0} \text{ in } \mathcal{M}_k.$$

Since by assumption $p(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = \mathbf{0}$ in \mathcal{M}_k , it follows by $\mathcal{Z}(p) \subseteq \mathcal{Z}(Xp)$, (2.7) and (2.8) that

$$(Xp)(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = \mathbf{0} \text{ in } \mathcal{M}_k.$$

By noticing that also the other three equalities of (2.6) are proved analogously, Theorem 2.2 (3) is true. \square

Column relations forced upon \mathcal{M}_k with an application of Theorem 2.2 (3) will be important in solving BQTMP and we will refer to them as the **RG relations**. If \mathcal{M}_k satisfies RG relations, we say \mathcal{M}_k is **recursively generated**. The first consequence of the RG relations is the following important observation about a nc moment matrix \mathcal{M}_k .

Corollary 2.3. *Suppose $k \geq 2$ and $\beta^{(2k)}$ be a sequence such that $\beta_{X^2Y^2} \neq \beta_{XYXY}$. Then the columns $\mathbf{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}$ of \mathcal{M}_k are linearly independent.*

Proof. Let us say that $\mathbf{0} = a\mathbb{1} + b\mathbb{X} + c\mathbb{Y} + d\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}$ for some $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$. If $d \neq 0$, then we have that $\beta_{X^2Y^2} = \beta_{XYXY}$, which is a contradiction with the assumption. Hence $d = 0$. From $\mathbf{0} = a\mathbb{1} + b\mathbb{X} + c\mathbb{Y}$ it follows by the RG relations that

$$\mathbf{0} = a\mathbb{X} + b\mathbb{X}^2 + c\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} = a\mathbb{Y} + b\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + c\mathbb{Y}^2.$$

If $b \neq 0$ or $c \neq 0$, it follows that $\beta_{X^2Y^2} = \beta_{XYXY}$. Hence $b = c = 0$. Finally $\mathbf{0} = a\mathbb{1}$ implies that $a = 0$. This proves the corollary. \square

Corollary 2.4. *Suppose $k \geq 2$ and $\beta^{(2k)}$ be a sequence such that $\beta_{X^2Y^2} \neq \beta_{XYXY}$. If \mathcal{M}_k is of rank at most 3, then β does not admit a measure.*

2.4. Flat extensions. For a matrix $A \in \mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{s \times s}$, an **extension** $\tilde{A} \in \mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{(s+u) \times (s+u)}$ of the form

$$\tilde{A} = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ B^t & C \end{pmatrix}$$

for some $B \in \mathbb{R}^{s \times u}$ and $C \in \mathbb{R}^{u \times u}$, is called **flat** if $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(\tilde{A})$. This is equivalent to saying that there is a matrix $W \in \mathbb{R}^{s \times u}$ such that $B = AW$ and $C = W^tAW$. The connection between flat extensions and BTTMP is [9, Theorem 3.19].

Theorem 2.5. *Let $\beta \equiv \beta^{(2k)}$ be a sequence satisfying (2.1). If $\mathcal{M}_k(\beta)$ is psd and is a flat extension of $\mathcal{M}_{k-1}(\beta)$, then β admits a representing measure.*

2.5. Affine linear transformations. An important result for converting a given moment problem into a simpler, equivalent moment problem is the application of affine linear transformations to a sequence β . For $a, b, c, d, e, f \in \mathbb{R}$ with $bf - ce \neq 0$, let us define

$$\phi(x, y) = (\phi_1(x, y), \phi_2(x, y)) := (a + bx + cy, d + ex + fy), \quad (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

Let $\tilde{\beta}^{(2k)}$ be the sequence obtained by the rule

$$\tilde{\beta}_w = L_{\beta^{(2k)}}(w \circ \phi) \quad \text{for every } |w| \leq k.$$

Notice that

$$L_{\tilde{\beta}^{(2k)}}(p) = L_{\beta^{(2k)}}(p \circ \phi) \quad \text{for every } p \in \mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq k}.$$

The following is the tracial analogue of [19, Proposition 1.9], which will allow us to make affine linear changes of variables.

Proposition 2.6. *Suppose $\beta^{(2k)}$ and $\tilde{\beta}^{(2k)}$ are as above and \mathcal{M}_k and $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_k$ the corresponding moment matrices. Let $J_\phi : \mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq 2k} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq 2k}$ be the linear map given by*

$$J_\phi \hat{p} := \widehat{p \circ \phi}.$$

Then the following hold:

- (1) $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_k = (J_\phi)^t \mathcal{M}_k J_\phi$.
- (2) J_ϕ is invertible.
- (3) $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_k \succeq 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{M}_k \succeq 0$.
- (4) $\text{rank } \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_k = \text{rank } \mathcal{M}_k$.
- (5) The formula $\mu = \tilde{\mu} \circ \phi$ establishes a one-to-one correspondence between the sets of representing measures of β and $\tilde{\beta}$, and ϕ maps $\text{supp}(\mu)$ bijectively onto $\text{supp}(\tilde{\mu})$.
- (6) \mathcal{M}_k admits a flat extension if and only if $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_k$ admits a flat extension.
- (7) For $p \in \mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq k}$, we have $p(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}) = (J_\phi)^t((p \circ \phi)(X, Y))$.

Proof. The proof is the same to the proof of the corresponding statement in the commutative case [20, Proposition 1.9]. \square

2.6. Classical bivariate quartic real moment problem. The classical bivariate quartic MP has been solved by Curto and Fialkow in a series of papers, e.g., [15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 27]. The main technique used was the analysis of the existence of a flat extension of a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 . The solution of the singular bivariate quartic real MP is Theorem 2.7 below. Given a polynomial $p \in \mathbb{R}[x, y]_{\leq 2}$ we write $\mathcal{Z}_{cm}(p) = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : p(x, y) = 0\}$ for the variety generated by p .

Theorem 2.7. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a commutative sequence with the associated moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 . Let*

$$\mathcal{V} := \bigcap_{\substack{g \in \mathbb{R}[x, y]_{\leq 2} \\ g(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = \mathbf{0}}} \mathcal{Z}_{cm}(g)$$

be the variety associated to \mathcal{M}_2 and $p \in \mathbb{R}[x, y]$ a polynomial with $\deg(p) = 2$. Then β has a representing measure supported in $\mathcal{Z}_{cm}(p)$ if and only if $M(2)$ is positive semidefinite, recursively generated, satisfies $\text{rank}(M(2)) \leq \text{card } \mathcal{V}$ and has a column dependency relation $p(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = 0$.

Moreover, assume that \mathcal{M}_2 is positive semidefinite, recursively generated and satisfies the column dependency relation $p(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y})$. The following statements are true:

- (1) *If $\text{rank}(\mathcal{M}_2) \leq 3$, then \mathcal{M}_2 always admits a flat extension and hence β a 3-atomic minimal measure.*
- (2) *If $\text{rank}(\mathcal{M}_2) = 4$, then \mathcal{M}_2 does not necessarily admit a flat extension and β does not necessarily come from a measure.*
- (3) *If $\text{rank}(\mathcal{M}_2) = 5$, then β always admits a measure, but \mathcal{M}_2 does not necessarily admit a flat extension. There exists an affine linear transformation such that \mathcal{V} is one of $x^2 + y^2 = 1$, $y = x^2$, $xy = 1$, $x^2 = 1$ or $xy = 0$. In the first four cases \mathcal{M}_2 always admits a flat extension and hence β admits a 5-atomic measure. However, in the last case there always exists a measure with 6 representing atoms, but not necessarily 5.*
- (4) *If $\text{rank}(\mathcal{M}_2) = 6$, then \mathcal{M}_2 always admits a flat extension and hence β admits a 6-atomic measure.*

Proof. For the proof of the first part see [27] and references therein. Let us now prove points (1)-(4) of the second part. Defining $z := x + iy$ and $\bar{z} := x - iy$, β has a representing measure if and only if the complex sequence $\gamma_{ij}^{(4)} := L_{\beta}(\bar{z}^i z^j)$ has a representing measure by [18, Proposition 1.12]. We write $\mathcal{M}_2^{\mathbb{C}}$ for the associated complex moment matrix. If $\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}$ are linearly dependent, then $\bar{\mathbb{Z}} \in \text{span}\{\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{Z}\}$ in $\mathcal{M}_2^{\mathbb{C}}$ and hence \mathcal{M}_2 admits a flat extension by [16, Theorem 2.1]. In particular, this is true if $\text{rank}(\mathcal{M}_2) \leq 2$. If $\text{rank}(\mathcal{M}_2) = 3$ and $\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}$ are linearly independent, then $\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{Z}, \bar{\mathbb{Z}}$ are linearly independent, $\mathbb{Z}\bar{\mathbb{Z}} \in \text{span}\{\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{Z}, \bar{\mathbb{Z}}\}$ and \mathcal{M}_2 admits a measure by [18, Theorem 1.1]. This proves (1). Parts (2) and (3) follow by the results in [18, 27]. Part (4) follows by [22, Theorem 2.1]. \square

3. SOLUTION OF THE BQTMP FOR \mathcal{M}_2 OF RANK 4

In this section we solve the BQTMP for \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 4. In Theorem 3.1 we characterize exactly when the corresponding sequence β admits a measure. Moreover, we prove that the minimal measure is unique (up to orthogonal equivalence) of type (0, 1) and find the concrete atom. In particular, β admits a measure if and only if \mathcal{M}_2 admits a flat extension.

Let $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ be such that the moment matrix $\mathcal{M}_2 \equiv \mathcal{M}_2(\beta)$ has rank 4. By Proposition 2.3 we may assume that the set $\{\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}\}$ is linearly independent and hence a basis for the column space $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{M}_2}$. The main result of this section is the following.

Theorem 3.1. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a normalized sequence with the moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 4. Let the set $\{\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}\}$ be a basis for the column space $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{M}_2}$. Write*

$$(3.1) \quad \mathbb{X}^2 = a_1 \mathbb{1} + b_1 \mathbb{X} + c_1 \mathbb{Y} + d_1 \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y},$$

$$(3.2) \quad \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = a_2 \mathbb{1} + b_2 \mathbb{X} + c_2 \mathbb{Y} + d_2 \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y},$$

$$(3.3) \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = a_3 \mathbb{1} + b_3 \mathbb{X} + c_3 \mathbb{Y} + d_3 \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y},$$

where $a_j, b_j, c_j, d_j \in \mathbb{R}$ for $j = 1, 2, 3$. The following statements are true:

- (1) $d_1 = d_3 = 0$, $d_2 = -1$.
- (2) β admits a measure if and only if \mathcal{M}_2 has a flat extension.
- (3) β admits a measure if and only if \mathcal{M}_2 is positive semidefinite and

$$c_1 = b_3 = 0, \quad b_2 = c_3, \quad c_2 = b_1.$$

(4) Suppose β admits a measure. Then the minimal measure is of type $(0, 1)$ with a unique (up to orthogonal equivalence) atom $(X, Y) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2})^2$ given by

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{a_1 + \frac{b_1^2}{4}} & 0 \\ 0 & -\sqrt{a_1 + \frac{b_1^2}{4}} \end{pmatrix} + \frac{b_1}{2} \cdot I_2,$$

$$Y = \sqrt{a_3 + \frac{c_3^2}{4}} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \frac{a}{2} & \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4-a^2} \\ \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4-a^2} & -\frac{a}{2} \end{pmatrix} + \frac{c_3}{2} \cdot I_2,$$

where $a = \frac{4a_2 + 2b_1c_3}{\sqrt{(4a_1 + b_1^2)(4a_3 + c_3^2)}}$ and I_2 is the 2×2 identity matrix.

Proof. Part (1) follows by comparing the rows $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}$ and $\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}$ on both sides of (3.1), (3.2), (3.3) and noticing that the columns $\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}^2$ and \mathbb{Y}^2 have the same entries in the rows $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}$ and $\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}$.

The implication (\Leftarrow) of (2) follows by Theorem 2.5. It remains to prove the converse. If β admits a measure, then the extension \mathcal{M}_3 of \mathcal{M}_2 , generated by the measure, must satisfy RG relations obtained from (3.1), (3.2), (3.3); see Theorem 2.2 (3). On multiplying (3.1) from right (resp. left) by \mathbb{X} (resp. \mathbb{Y}) we conclude that in \mathcal{M}_3 the columns $\mathbb{X}^3, \mathbb{X}^2\mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}^2$ lie in the linear span of the columns $\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}$. By analogous reasoning it follows from (3.3) that the same is true for $\mathbb{Y}^3, \mathbb{Y}^2\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}^2$. Finally using these conclusions after multiplying (3.2) by \mathbb{X} (resp. \mathbb{Y}), the same applies to $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}$. Hence \mathcal{M}_3 is a flat extension of \mathcal{M}_2 .

Now we prove the implication (\Rightarrow) of (3). Let \mathcal{M}_3 be a flat extension of \mathcal{M}_2 . Reasoning in the same way as in (2) we must have $\mathbb{X}^3 = a_1\mathbb{X} + b_1\mathbb{X}^2 + c_1\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}$ in the column space of \mathcal{M}_3 . Since \mathbb{X}^3 has the same entries in rows $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}$, it follows that $c_1 = 0$. Analogously we conclude that $b_3 = 0$. Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_1(X, Y) = (X - \frac{b_1}{2}, Y - \frac{c_3}{2})$ to β we get $\tilde{\beta}$ with a psd moment matrix $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_2$ of rank 4 satisfying the relations

$$\mathbb{X}^2 = (a_1 + \frac{b_1^2}{4})\mathbb{1}, \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = a_4\mathbb{1} + b_4\mathbb{X} + c_4\mathbb{Y}, \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = (a_3 + \frac{c_3^2}{4})\mathbb{1},$$

where

$$a_4 = a_2 + \frac{b_1c_3}{2}, \quad b_4 = b_2 - c_3, \quad c_4 = c_2 - b_1.$$

Claim 1: $a_1 + \frac{b_1^2}{4} > 0$ and $a_3 + \frac{c_3^2}{4} > 0$.

If $a_1 + \frac{b_1^2}{4} \leq 0$, then $\tilde{\beta}_{\mathbb{X}^4} = (a_1 + \frac{b_1^2}{4})\tilde{\beta}_{\mathbb{X}^2} \leq 0$. The case $\tilde{\beta}_{\mathbb{X}^4} < 0$ contradicts to $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_2$ being psd, while in the case $\tilde{\beta}_{\mathbb{X}^4} = 0$ it follows that $\tilde{\beta}_{\mathbb{X}^2} = \tilde{\beta}_{\mathbb{X}^4} = \tilde{\beta}_{\mathbb{X}^2\mathbb{Y}^2} = 0$ which contradicts to the rank of $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_2$ being 4. Analogously we conclude that $a_3 + \frac{c_3^2}{4} > 0$.

Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_2(X, Y) = (\frac{X}{\sqrt{a_1 + \frac{b_1^2}{4}}}, \frac{Y}{\sqrt{a_3 + \frac{c_3^2}{4}}})$ to $\tilde{\beta}$ we get $\hat{\beta}$ with a psd moment matrix

$\hat{\mathcal{M}}_2$ of rank 4 satisfying the relations

$$(3.4) \quad \mathbb{X}^2 = \mathbb{1}, \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = a\mathbb{1} + b\mathbb{X} + c\mathbb{Y}, \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1},$$

where

$$(3.5) \quad a = \frac{4a_2 + 2b_1c_3}{C}, \quad b = \frac{4(b_2 - c_3)}{C}, \quad c = \frac{4(c_2 - b_1)}{C},$$

and $C = \sqrt{(4a_1 + b_1^2)(4a_3 + c_3^2)}$. By RG relations it follows from (3.4) that the extension $\hat{\mathcal{M}}_3$ of $\hat{\mathcal{M}}_2$ satisfies the relations

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{X}^2\mathbb{Y} &= \mathbb{Y}, & \mathbb{X}^2\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} &= a\mathbb{X} + b\mathbb{X}^2 + c\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}, \\ \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}^2 + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} &= a\mathbb{Y} + b\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + c\mathbb{Y}^2, & \mathbb{Y}^2\mathbb{X} &= \mathbb{X}. \end{aligned}$$

In particular,

$$(3.6) \quad \mathbb{X} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} = a\mathbb{Y} + b\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + c\mathbb{Y}^2, \quad \mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = a\mathbb{X} + b\mathbb{X}^2 + c\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}.$$

Observing the rows $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}$ and $\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}$ on the both sides of the equations in (3.6) and noticing that the columns $\mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}^2, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{X}^2$ have the same entries in the rows $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}$, we must have $b = c = 0$. Hence, (3.5) implies that $b_2 = c_3$ and $c_2 = b_1$.

Now we prove the implication (\Leftarrow) of (3). As above let

$$\phi_1(X, Y) = \left(X - \frac{b_1}{2}, Y - \frac{c_3}{2} \right), \quad \phi_2(X, Y) = \left(\frac{X}{\sqrt{a_1 + \frac{b_1^2}{4}}}, \frac{Y}{\sqrt{a_3 + \frac{c_3^2}{4}}} \right).$$

Applying transformation $\phi_2 \circ \phi_1$ to β we get $\widehat{\beta}$ with a psd moment matrix $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_2$ of rank 4 satisfying the relations

$$(3.7) \quad \mathbb{X}^2 = \mathbb{1}, \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = a\mathbb{1}, \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1},$$

where $a = \frac{4a_2 + 2b_1c_3}{\sqrt{(4a_1 + b_1^2)(4a_3 + c_3^2)}}$. We have to prove that $\widehat{\beta}$ admits a measure. From the relations (3.7) we get the following system

$$(3.8) \quad \begin{array}{lll} \beta_{X^2} = 1, & 2\beta_{XY} = a, & \beta_{Y^2} = 1, \\ \beta_{X^3} = \beta_X, & 2\beta_{X^2Y} = a\beta_X, & \beta_{XY^2} = \beta_X, \\ \beta_{X^2Y} = \beta_Y, & 2\beta_{XY^2} = a\beta_Y, & \beta_{Y^3} = \beta_Y, \\ \beta_{X^4} = \beta_{X^2}, & 2\beta_{X^3Y} = a\beta_{X^2}, & \beta_{X^2Y^2} = \beta_{X^2}, \\ \beta_{X^3Y} = \beta_{XY}, & \beta_{X^2Y^2} + \beta_{XYXY} = a\beta_{XY}, & \beta_{XY^3} = \beta_{XY}, \\ \beta_{X^2Y^2} = \beta_{Y^2}, & 2\beta_{XY^3} = a\beta_{Y^2}, & \beta_{Y^4} = \beta_{Y^2}. \end{array}$$

The solutions to (3.8) are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{Y^4} = \beta_{X^4} = \beta_{X^2Y^2} = \beta_{Y^2} = \beta_{X^2} = 1 \\ \beta_{XY^3} = \beta_{X^3Y} = \beta_{XY} = \frac{a}{2}, \\ \beta_{XYXY} = \frac{a^2}{2} - 1, \end{aligned}$$

and one of the following:

Case 1: $\beta_{XY^2} = \beta_{X^2Y} = \beta_{Y^3} = \beta_Y = \beta_{X^3} = \beta_X = 0$,

Case 2: $a = 2$ and $\beta_{X^3} = \beta_X = \beta_Y = \beta_{Y^3} = \beta_{XY^2} = \beta_{X^2Y} \in \mathbb{R}$,

Case 3: $a = -2$ and $\beta_{X^3} = \beta_X = -\beta_Y = -\beta_{Y^3} = \beta_{XY^2} = -\beta_{X^2Y} \in \mathbb{R}$.

However, in Cases 2 and 3 the submatrices $[\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_2]_{\{X, Y\}}$ are of the form $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \pm 1 \\ \pm 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and are not positive definite. Hence

we are in Case 1 and $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_2$ takes the form

$$(3.9) \quad \widehat{\mathcal{M}}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{a}{2} & \frac{a}{2} & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{a}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{a}{2} & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{a}{2} & \frac{a}{2} & 1 \\ \frac{a}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{a}{2} & 1 & (\frac{a^2}{2} - 1) & \frac{a}{2} \\ \frac{a}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{a}{2} & (\frac{a^2}{2} - 1) & 1 & \frac{a}{2} \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{a}{2} & \frac{a}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_2$ is psd if and only if $a \in (-2, 2)$. Now notice that the representing atom $(\widehat{X}, \widehat{Y})$ for $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_2$ is given by the pair

$$(3.10) \quad \widehat{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \widehat{Y} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{a}{2} & -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4-a^2} \\ -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4-a^2} & -\frac{a}{2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

This proves the implication (\Leftarrow) of (3).

It remains to prove part (4). Let ϕ_1, ϕ_2 and $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_2$ be as in the proof of part (3). By Proposition 2.6 (5) the measures μ for β are in the bijective correspondence with the measures $\widehat{\mu}$ for $\widehat{\beta}$ given by the rule $\mu = \widehat{\mu}(\phi_2 \circ \phi_1)$ and $\text{supp}(\mu) = (\phi_2 \circ \phi_1)^{-1}(\text{supp}(\widehat{\mu}))$. We have that

$$(\phi_2 \circ \phi_1)^{-1}(X, Y) = \left(\sqrt{a_1 + \frac{b_1^2}{4}} \cdot X + \frac{b_1}{2}, \sqrt{a_3 + \frac{c_3^2}{4}} \cdot Y + \frac{c_3}{2} \right).$$

Therefore it suffices to prove the following claim.

Claim 2: The atom $(\widehat{X}, \widehat{Y}) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2})^2$ of the form (3.10) is up to orthogonal equivalence the unique atom for the measure $\widehat{\mu}$ of $\widehat{\beta}$.

Let $(X, Y) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2})^2$ be an atom representing $\widehat{\beta}$. Since X, Y do not commute and $X^2 = \mathbb{1}$, the eigenvalues of X must be 1, -1 . Hence we may assume (after conjugating by a suitable orthogonal matrix) that

$$X = \widehat{X} \quad \text{and} \quad Y = \begin{pmatrix} k_1 & k_2 \\ k_2 & -k_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for some } k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Calculating the moment matrix $\mathcal{M}_2^{(X, Y)}$ generated by (X, Y) and solving the system of equations obtained from $\mathcal{M}_2^{(X, Y)} = \widehat{\mathcal{M}}_2$ in *Mathematica* we get the solutions:

- (1) $k_1 = \frac{a}{2}, \quad k_2 = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4 - a^2},$
- (2) $k_1 = \frac{a}{2}, \quad k_2 = -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4 - a^2}.$

Both solutions are unitarily equivalent pairs (the orthogonal equivalence is given by sending the first basis vector v_1 to v_1 and the second basis vector v_2 to $-v_2$). This proves Claim 2. \square

The following corollary will be very important in the proofs of theorems about the existence of a measure in the rank 5 case.

Corollary 3.2. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ has a psd moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 4 satisfying the relations*

$$\mathbb{X}^2 = a\mathbb{1}, \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = b\mathbb{1}, \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = c\mathbb{1} \quad \text{for some } a, b > 0, c \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Then

$$(3.11) \quad \beta_X = \beta_Y = \beta_{X^3} = \beta_{X^2Y} = \beta_{XY^2} = \beta_{Y^3} = 0.$$

Proof. Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi(X, Y) = (\frac{X}{\sqrt{a}}, \frac{Y}{\sqrt{c}})$ to \mathcal{M}_2 the relations of the corresponding matrix $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_2$ become

$$X^2 = \mathbb{1}, \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \frac{b}{\sqrt{ac}}\mathbb{1}, \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1}.$$

Then $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_2$ is of the form (3.9) (where we replace a with $\frac{b}{\sqrt{ac}}$). In particular, we have

$$(3.12) \quad \widetilde{\beta}_X = \widetilde{\beta}_Y = \widetilde{\beta}_{X^3} = \widetilde{\beta}_{X^2Y} = \widetilde{\beta}_{XY^2} = \widetilde{\beta}_{Y^3} = 0.$$

Since the moments β_w and $\widetilde{\beta}_w$ for $|w| \leq 4$ are scalar multiples of each other, (3.11) follows from (3.12). \square

4. RANKS 5 AND 6 - REDUCTIONS

In this section we establish an essential result for solving a BQTMP with a moment matrix of rank 5 or 6. Namely, it suffices to solve the BQTMP only for moment matrices satisfying especially nice column relations; see Proposition 4.1. In the subsequent sections we will analyze each of those cases separately.

Proposition 4.1. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ has a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 or 6. Let L_β be the Riesz functional belonging to β . If β admits a measure, then there exists an affine linear transformation ϕ such that a sequence $\widehat{\beta}$, given by $\widehat{\beta}_w = L_\beta(w \circ \phi)$ for every $|w(X, Y)| \leq 4$, has a moment matrix $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_2$ such that:*

- (1) *If \mathcal{M}_2 is of rank 5, then $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_2$ satisfies one of the following pair of relations:*

Basic pair 1: $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{X}^2 + \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1}$,

Basic pair 2: $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1}$,

Basic pair 3: $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{Y}^2 - \mathbb{X}^2 = \mathbb{1}$,

Basic pair 4: $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{X}^2$.

- (2) *If \mathcal{M}_2 is of rank 6, then $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_2$ satisfies one of the following relations:*

Basic relation 1: $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} - \mathbb{X}^2$,

Basic relation 2: $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} + \mathbb{X}^2$,

Basic relation 3: $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$,

Basic relation 4: $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1}$.

To prove Proposition 4.1 we need some lemmas.

Lemma 4.2. Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ has a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 or 6 satisfying the relation

$$(4.1) \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = a_1 \mathbf{1} + a_2 \mathbb{X} + a_3 \mathbb{Y} + a_4 \mathbb{X}^2 + a_5 \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + a_6 \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X},$$

where $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$ for each i . Let L_β be the Riesz functional belonging to β . If β admits a measure, then there exists an affine linear transformation ϕ of the form

$$(4.2) \quad \phi(X, Y) = (\alpha_1 X + \alpha_2, \alpha_3 Y + \alpha_4),$$

where $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}$ for each i , $\alpha_1 \neq 0$, $\alpha_4 \neq 0$, such that the sequence $\widehat{\beta}$ given by $\widehat{\beta}_w = L_\beta(w \circ \phi)$ for every $|w(X, Y)| \leq 4$, has a moment matrix $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying one of the following relations:

Relation 1: $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} - \mathbb{X}^2$,

Relation 2: $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1}$,

Relation 3: $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} + \mathbb{X}^2$,

Relation 4: $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{X}^2$.

Moreover, the relation 4 is equivalent to the relation

Relation 4': $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$.

Proof. By comparing the rows $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}$, $\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}$ on both sides of (4.1) we conclude that $a_5 = a_6$. We rewrite the relation (4.1) as

$$(\mathbb{Y} - a_5 \mathbb{X})^2 = a_1 \mathbf{1} + a_2 \mathbb{X} + a_3 \mathbb{Y} + (a_4 + a_5^2) \mathbb{X}^2.$$

Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_1(X, Y) = (X, Y - a_5 X)$ to β we get $\widetilde{\beta}$ with the moment matrix $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying the relation

$$(4.3) \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = a_1 \mathbf{1} + (a_2 + a_3 a_5) \mathbb{X} + a_3 \mathbb{Y} + a_4 \mathbb{X}^2.$$

We separate three possibilities according to the sign of $a_4 \in \mathbb{R}$.

Case 1: $a_4 < 0$. The relation (4.3) can be rewritten as

$$\left(\mathbb{Y} - \frac{a_3}{2}\right)^2 = -\left(\sqrt{|a_4|} \mathbb{X} - \frac{a_2 + a_3 a_5}{2\sqrt{|a_4|}}\right)^2 + \left(a_1 + \frac{a_3^2}{4} + \frac{(a_2 + a_3 a_5)^2}{4a_4}\right) \mathbf{1}.$$

Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_2(X, Y) = (\sqrt{|a_4|} X - \frac{a_2 + a_3 a_5}{2\sqrt{|a_4|}}, Y - \frac{a_3}{2})$ to $\widetilde{\beta}$ we get $\overline{\beta}$ with $\overline{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying the relation

$$(4.4) \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = -\mathbb{X}^2 + \left(a_1 + \frac{a_3^2}{4} + \frac{(a_2 + a_3 a_5)^2}{4a_4}\right) \mathbf{1}.$$

If $C_1 := a_1 + \frac{a_3^2}{4} + \frac{(a_2 + a_3 a_5)^2}{4a_4} \leq 0$, then by comparing the row \mathbb{Y}^2 on both sides of (4.4) we get

$$0 \leq \beta_{Y^4} + \beta_{X^2 Y^2} = C_1 \cdot \beta_{Y^2} \leq 0,$$

where we used that $\beta_{Y^4} \geq 0$, $\beta_{X^2 Y^2} \geq 0$, $\beta_{Y^2} \geq 0$. But then $\beta_{Y^4} = \beta_{X^2 Y^2} = \beta_{Y^2} = 0$, which contradicts to the rank of $\overline{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ being 5 or 6. Therefore $C_1 > 0$. Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_3(X, Y) = (\frac{X}{\sqrt{C_1}}, \frac{Y}{\sqrt{C_1}})$ to $\overline{\beta}$ we get $\widehat{\beta}$ with $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying

$$\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} - \mathbb{X}^2,$$

which is the relation 1.

Case 2: $a_4 = 0$. Multiplying (4.3) with \mathbb{Y} we get

$$(4.5) \quad \mathbb{Y}^3 = a_1 \mathbb{Y} + (a_2 + a_3 a_5) \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + a_3 \mathbb{Y}^2.$$

By comparing the rows $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}$, $\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}$ on both sides of (4.5) we conclude that $a_2 + a_3 a_5 = 0$. We can rewrite (4.3) as

$$\left(\mathbb{Y} - \frac{a_3}{2}\right)^2 = \left(a_1 + \frac{a_3^2}{4}\right) \mathbf{1}.$$

Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_4(X, Y) = (X, Y - \frac{a_3}{2})$ to $\widetilde{\beta}$ we get $\widetilde{\beta}$ with $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying

$$(4.6) \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \left(a_1 + \frac{a_3^2}{4}\right) \mathbf{1}.$$

If $C_2 := a_1 + \frac{a_3^2}{4} \leq 0$, then by comparing the row \mathbb{Y}^2 on both sides of (4.6) we get

$$0 \leq \beta_{Y^4} = (a_2 + \frac{c_2^2}{4})\beta_{Y^2} \leq 0,$$

where we used that $\beta_{Y^4} \geq 0, \beta_{Y^2} \geq 0$. But then $\beta_{Y^4} = \beta_{Y^2} = 0$ and hence also $\beta_{X^2Y^2} = 0$, which contradicts to the rank of $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ being 5 or 6. Therefore $C_2 > 0$. Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_5(X, Y) = (X, \frac{Y}{\sqrt{C_2}})$ to $\bar{\beta}$ we get $\widehat{\beta}$ with $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying

$$\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1},$$

which is the relation 2.

Case 3: $a_4 > 0$. The relation (4.3) can be rewritten as

$$\left(\mathbb{Y} - \frac{a_3}{2}\right)^2 = \left(\sqrt{a_4}\mathbb{X} + \frac{a_2 + a_3a_5}{2\sqrt{a_4}}\right)^2 + \left(a_1 + \frac{a_3^2}{4} - \frac{(a_2 + a_3a_5)^2}{4a_4}\right)\mathbf{1}.$$

Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_6(X, Y) = (\sqrt{a_4}X + \frac{a_2 + a_3a_5}{2\sqrt{a_4}}, Y - \frac{a_3}{2})$ to $\widetilde{\beta}$ we get $\bar{\beta}$ with $\overline{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying

$$(4.7) \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{X}^2 + \left(a_1 + \frac{a_3^2}{4} - \frac{(a_2 + a_3a_5)^2}{4a_4}\right)\mathbf{1}.$$

We separate three possibilities according to the sign of $C_3 := a_1 + \frac{a_3^2}{4} - \frac{(a_2 + a_3a_5)^2}{4a_4}$.

Case 3.1: $C_3 > 0$. Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_7(X, Y) = (\frac{X}{\sqrt{C_3}}, \frac{Y}{\sqrt{C_3}})$ to $\bar{\beta}$ we get $\widehat{\beta}$ with $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying

$$\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} + \mathbb{X}^2,$$

which is the relation 3.

Case 3.2: $C_3 = 0$. The relation (4.7) is

$$\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{X}^2,$$

which is the relation 4. Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_8(X, Y) = (X - Y, X + Y)$ to $\widetilde{\beta}$ we get $\bar{\beta}$ with $\overline{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying

$$\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0},$$

which is the relation 4'.

Case 3.3: $C_3 < 0$. Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_9(X, Y) = (Y, X)$ to $\bar{\beta}$ we come into Case 3.1. \square

Lemma 4.3. Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ has a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 with linearly independent columns $\mathbf{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}$. Then one of the following cases occurs:

Case 1: The set $\{\mathbf{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}\}$ is the basis for $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{M}_2}$ and the columns $\mathbb{X}^2, \mathbb{Y}^2$ belong to the span $\{\mathbf{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}\}$.

Case 2: The set $\{\mathbf{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}^2, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}\}$ is the basis for $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{M}_2}$.

Case 3: The set $\{\mathbf{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}^2, \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}\}$ is the basis for $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{M}_2}$.

Proof. If $\mathbb{X}^2 \notin \text{span}\{\mathbf{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}\}$, it follows by comparing the rows $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}$ and $\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}$ that $\mathbb{X}^2 \notin \text{span}\{\mathbf{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}\}$. Hence we are in Case 2. Similarly, if $\mathbb{Y}^2 \notin \text{span}\{\mathbf{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}\}$, then we are in Case 3. Otherwise $\{\mathbb{X}^2, \mathbb{Y}^2\} \subseteq \text{span}\{\mathbf{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}\}$ and since \mathcal{M}_2 is of rank 5, $\{\mathbf{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}\}$ is a basis for $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{M}_2}$. Hence we are in Case 1. \square

Lemma 4.4. Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ has a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 with linearly independent columns $\mathbf{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}$. There exists an affine linear transformation ϕ such that a sequence $\widehat{\beta}$, given by $\widehat{\beta}_w = L_\beta(w \circ \phi)$ for every $|w(X, Y)| \leq 4$, has a moment matrix $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_2$ such that:

Case 1: The set $\{\mathbf{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}^2, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}\}$ is the basis for $\mathcal{C}_{\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_2}$.

Case 2: The set $\{\mathbf{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}^2, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}^2\}$ is the basis for $\mathcal{C}_{\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_2}$.

Proof. If $Y^2 \in \text{span}\{\mathbb{1}, X, Y, X^2, XY, YX\}$, then we are in Case 1 (linear independence of the columns $\{\mathbb{1}, X, Y, X^2, XY, YX\}$ follows from the rank of \mathcal{M}_2 being 6). Otherwise $Y^2 \notin \text{span}\{\mathbb{1}, X, Y, X^2, XY, YX\}$. In particular, $\{\mathbb{1}, X, Y, XY, Y^2\}$ is a linearly independent set. Now we have two possibilities. Either $\{\mathbb{1}, X, Y, XY, Y^2, X^2\}$ is a linearly independent set and we are in Case 2, or $X^2 \in \text{span}\{\mathbb{1}, X, Y, XY, Y^2\}$ and $\{\mathbb{1}, X, Y, XY, Y^2, YX\}$ is a linearly independent set. After applying an affine linear transformation $\phi(X, Y) = (Y, X)$ we are in Case 1. \square

Lemma 4.5. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ has a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 satisfying one of the relations*

$$Y^2 + X^2 = \mathbb{1} \quad \text{or} \quad Y^2 - X^2 = \mathbb{1} \quad \text{or} \quad Y^2 = X^2.$$

If β admits a measure μ , then the extension $\mathcal{M}_3 := \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_2 & B_3 \\ B_3^t & C_3 \end{pmatrix}$ generated by μ satisfies the relations

$$X^2Y = YX^2 \quad \text{and} \quad XY^2 = Y^2X.$$

In particular, the rows XY, YX are the same in the columns X^2Y, YX^2 and the columns XY^2, Y^2X .

Proof. We will give the proof in the case of the relation $Y^2 + X^2 = \mathbb{1}$. The other two cases are proved in the same way. Multiplying $Y^2 + X^2 = \mathbb{1}$ by Y (resp. X) from the left (resp. right) gives $X^2Y = -Y^3 + Y = YX^2$ and $Y^2X = X - X^3 = XY^2$. By Theorem 2.2 we must have $X^2Y = YX^2$ and $XY^2 = Y^2X$ in \mathcal{M}_3 . \square

Finally we give the proof of Proposition 4.1 (1).

Proof of Proposition 4.1 (1). By Proposition 2.3 the columns $\mathbb{1}, X, Y, XY$ of \mathcal{M}_2 are linearly independent. By Lemma 4.3 there are three cases to consider.

Case 1: The set $\{\mathbb{1}, X, Y, XY, YX\}$ is the basis for $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{M}_2}$ and the columns X^2, Y^2 belong to the span $\{\mathbb{1}, X, Y\}$.

By assumption there are constants $a_j, b_j, c_j \in \mathbb{R}$ for $j = 1, 2$ such that

$$X^2 = a_1\mathbb{1} + b_1X + c_1Y \quad \text{and} \quad Y^2 = a_2\mathbb{1} + b_2X + c_2Y.$$

By multiplying the first relation with X and the second with Y it follows that if β admits a measure, then $c_1 = b_2 = 0$. Let

$$\phi_1(X, Y) = \left(X - \frac{b_1}{2}, Y - \frac{c_3}{2} \right), \quad \phi_2(X, Y) = \left(\frac{X}{\sqrt{a_1 + \frac{b_1^2}{4}}}, \frac{Y}{\sqrt{a_3 + \frac{c_3^2}{4}}} \right).$$

Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_2 \circ \phi_1$ to β we get $\tilde{\beta}$ with $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying

$$X^2 = Y^2 = \mathbb{1}.$$

Equivalently, the relations are

$$Y^2 - X^2 = \mathbf{0}, \quad Y^2 = \mathbb{1}.$$

Finally applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_3(X, Y) = \left(\frac{X+Y}{2}, \frac{Y-X}{2} \right)$ to $\tilde{\beta}$ we get $\hat{\beta}$ with $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying

$$XY + YX = \mathbf{0}, \quad X^2 + Y^2 = \mathbb{1}.$$

Hence we are in a basic pair 1 of Proposition 4.1.

Case 2: The set $\{\mathbb{1}, X, Y, X^2, XY\}$ is the basis for $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{M}_2}$.

By assumption there are constants $a_j, b_j, c_j, d_j, e_j \in \mathbb{R}$ for $j = 1, 2$ such that

$$YX = a_1\mathbb{1} + b_1X + c_1Y + d_1X^2 + e_1XY, \quad Y^2 = a_2\mathbb{1} + b_2X + c_2Y + d_2X^2 + e_2XY.$$

By comparing the rows XY, YX of the both sides of equations we conclude that $e_1 = -1$ and $e_2 = 0$, so that the relation are

$$(4.8) \quad XY + YX = a_1\mathbb{1} + b_1X + c_1Y + d_1X^2 \quad \text{and} \quad Y^2 = a_2\mathbb{1} + b_2X + c_2Y + d_2X^2.$$

By Lemma 4.2 there exists an affine linear transformation ϕ_4 of the form (4.2) such that after applying ϕ_4 to β the second relation in (4.8) of the corresponding matrix $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ becomes one of the following:

$$(4.9) \quad Y^2 = \mathbb{1} \quad \text{or} \quad Y^2 = \mathbb{1} - X^2 \quad \text{or} \quad Y^2 = X^2 \quad \text{or} \quad Y^2 = \mathbb{1} + X^2,$$

while the first relation in (4.8) becomes

$$(4.10) \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = a_3\mathbb{1} + b_3\mathbb{X} + c_3\mathbb{Y} + d_3\mathbb{X}^2,$$

where $a_3, b_3, c_3, d_3 \in \mathbb{R}$. We separate four possibilities according to the relation in (4.9).

Case 2.1: $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1}$ in (4.9). The relation (4.10) can be rewritten in the form

$$\mathbb{Y}\left(\mathbb{X} - \frac{c_3}{2}\right) + \left(\mathbb{X} - \frac{c_3}{2}\right)\mathbb{Y} = a_3\mathbb{1} + b_3\mathbb{X} + d_3\mathbb{X}^2.$$

Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_5(X, Y) = (X - \frac{c_3}{2}, Y)$ to $\bar{\beta}$ we get $\check{\beta}$ with $\check{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying

$$(4.11) \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = a_4\mathbb{1} + b_4\mathbb{X} + d_4\mathbb{X}^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1},$$

where $a_4, b_4, d_4 \in \mathbb{R}$. Multiplying the first relation in (4.11) with \mathbb{X} on left (resp. right) we get

$$\mathbb{X}^2\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = a_4\mathbb{X} + b_4\mathbb{X}^2 + d_4\mathbb{X}^3 = \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}^2.$$

Hence, $\mathbb{X}^2\mathbb{Y} = \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}^2$. Multiplying the first relation in (4.11) with \mathbb{Y} on right and using the second relation in (4.11), we get

$$(4.12) \quad \mathbb{X} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} = a_4\mathbb{Y} + b_4\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + d_4\mathbb{X}^2\mathbb{Y}.$$

Comparing the rows $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}$, $\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}$ on both sides of (4.12) gives $b_4 = 0$. We now separate two possibilities depending on d_4 .

Case 2.1.1: $d_4 = 0$ in (4.11). The relations (4.11) are

$$\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = a_4\mathbb{1}, \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1}.$$

Using the second relation we can rewrite the first relation in the form

$$\left(\mathbb{X} - \frac{a_4}{2}\mathbb{Y}\right)\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\left(\mathbb{X} - \frac{a_4}{2}\mathbb{Y}\right) = \mathbf{0}.$$

Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_6(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = (x - \frac{a_4}{2}y, y)$ to $\check{\beta}$ we get $\hat{\beta}$ with $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying

$$\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1}.$$

Hence we are in the basic pair 2 of Proposition 4.1 (1).

Case 2.1.2: $d_4 \neq 0$ in (4.11). The relations (4.11) are

$$\mathbb{X}^2 - \frac{1}{d_4}(\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}) = -\frac{a_4}{d_4}\mathbb{1} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1}.$$

Summing together the first relation and the second relation multiplied by $\frac{1}{d_4^2}$ we get

$$(4.13) \quad \frac{1}{d_4^2}\mathbb{Y}^2 - \frac{1}{d_4}(\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}) + \mathbb{X}^2 = \left(\frac{1}{d_4^2} - \frac{a_4}{d_4}\right)\mathbb{1}.$$

Now we rewrite (4.13) in the form

$$\left(\frac{1}{d_4}\mathbb{Y} - \mathbb{X}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{d_4^2} - \frac{a_4}{d_4}\right)\mathbb{1}.$$

Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_7(X, Y) = (\frac{1}{d_4}y - X, Y)$ to $\hat{\beta}$ we get $\acute{\beta}$ with $\acute{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying

$$\mathbb{X}^2 = \left(\frac{1}{d_4^2} - \frac{a_4}{d_4}\right)\mathbb{1} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1}.$$

Hence we are in Case 1.

Case 2.2: $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} - \mathbb{X}^2$ in (4.9). Multiplying the relation (4.10) from the left by \mathbb{X} (resp. \mathbb{Y}) and comparing the rows $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}$, $\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}$ on both sides using Lemma 4.5 we conclude that $c_3 = 0$ (resp. $b_3 = 0$). Thus the relation of $\bar{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ are

$$\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = a_3\mathbb{1} + d_3\mathbb{X}^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 + \mathbb{X}^2 = \mathbb{1}.$$

Summing together the first relation and the second relation multiplied by α we get

$$(4.14) \quad \alpha\mathbb{Y}^2 + (\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}) + (\alpha - d_3)\mathbb{X}^2 = (\alpha + a_3)\mathbb{1}.$$

Choosing

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4 + d_3^2} + \frac{d_3}{2},$$

we see that

$$\alpha > 0, \quad \alpha - d_3 > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \sqrt{(\alpha - d_3)\alpha} = 1,$$

and thus (4.14) can be rewritten in the form

$$(\sqrt{\alpha - d_3}\mathbb{X} + \sqrt{\alpha}\mathbb{Y})^2 = (\alpha + a_3)\mathbf{1}.$$

Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_8(X, Y) = (X, \sqrt{\alpha - d_3}X + \sqrt{\alpha}Y)$ to $\bar{\beta}$ we get $\hat{\beta}$ with $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying (4.15)

$$\mathbb{Y}^2 = (\alpha + a_3)\mathbf{1} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = a_4\mathbf{1} + d_4\mathbb{X}^2,$$

where $a_4, d_4 \in \mathbb{R}$. Since $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ is psd of rank 5, $\alpha + a_3 > 0$ and after normalization the relations (4.15) become

$$\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = a_5\mathbf{1} + d_5\mathbb{X}^2,$$

where $a_5, d_5 \in \mathbb{R}$. Hence we are in Case 2.1.

Case 2.3: $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{X}^2$ in (4.9). As in the first paragraph of Case 2.2 we conclude that the relations of $\overline{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ are

$$\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = a_3\mathbf{1} + d_3\mathbb{X}^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{X}^2.$$

Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_9(X, Y) = (X + Y, Y - X)$ to $\tilde{\beta}$ we get $\bar{\beta}$ with $\overline{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying

$$(2 - d_3)\mathbb{X}^2 - (2 + d_3)\mathbb{Y}^2 = 4a_3\mathbf{1} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0},$$

If $d_3 = 2$, then after normalization we come into Case 2.1. If $d_3 = -2$, then we come into Case 2.1 after we apply a transformation $(X, Y) \mapsto (Y, X)$ to change the roles of \mathbb{X} and \mathbb{Y} and normalize. Otherwise we apply an affine linear transformation

$$\phi_{10}(X, Y) = (\sqrt{|2 - d_3|}X, \sqrt{|2 + d_3|}Y)$$

to $\tilde{\beta}$ and get $\check{\beta}$ with $\check{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying

$$\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$$

and one of the following:

$$(4.16) \quad \mathbb{X}^2 + \mathbb{Y}^2 = 4a_3\mathbf{1} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbb{X}^2 - \mathbb{Y}^2 = 4a_3\mathbf{1} \quad \text{or} \quad -\mathbb{X}^2 - \mathbb{Y}^2 = 4a_3\mathbf{1}.$$

The first and the last cases are equivalent, since the third relation can be rewritten as $\mathbb{X}^2 + \mathbb{Y}^2 = -4a_3\mathbf{1}$. Thus we separate two possibilities in (4.16).

Case 2.3.1: $\mathbb{X}^2 + \mathbb{Y}^2 = 4a_3\mathbf{1}$ in (4.16). It is easy to see that $a_3 > 0$ (by $\check{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ being psd of rank 5, since otherwise $\beta_{Y^2} = \beta_{X^2Y^2} = \beta_{Y^4} = 0$). Thus after the normalization we are in the basic pair 1 of Proposition 4.1.

Case 2.3.2: $\mathbb{X}^2 - \mathbb{Y}^2 = 4a_3\mathbf{1}$ in (4.16). We may assume that $a_3 \leq 0$ (otherwise we change the roles of \mathbb{X} and \mathbb{Y}). If $a_3 < 0$, then after normalization we come into the basic pair 3. Otherwise $a_3 = 0$ and we are in the basic pair 4.

Case 2.4: $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} + \mathbb{X}^2$ in (4.9). As in the first paragraph of Case 2.2 we conclude that the relations of $\overline{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ are

$$\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = a_3\mathbf{1} + d_3\mathbb{X}^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} + \mathbb{X}^2,$$

and after applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_9(X, Y) = (X + Y, Y - X)$ to $\bar{\beta}$ to get $\check{\beta}$ with $\check{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying

$$(2 - d_3)\mathbb{X}^2 - (2 + d_3)\mathbb{Y}^2 = (4a_3 - 2d_3)\mathbf{1} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = 2 \cdot \mathbf{1}.$$

If $d_3 = 2$, then after normalization we come into Case 2.1. If $d_3 = -2$ then we come into Case 2.1 after we apply a transformation $(X, Y) \mapsto (Y, X)$ to change the roles of \mathbb{X} and \mathbb{Y} and normalize. Otherwise we apply an affine linear transformation

$$\phi_{11}(X, Y) = (\sqrt{|2 - d_3|}X, \sqrt{|2 + d_3|}Y)$$

to $\check{\beta}$ and get $\hat{\beta}$ with $\hat{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying

$$\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = 2\sqrt{|4 - d_3^2|}\mathbf{1}$$

and one of the following

$$(4.17) \quad \mathbb{X}^2 + \mathbb{Y}^2 = \tilde{a}\mathbf{1} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbb{X}^2 - \mathbb{Y}^2 = \tilde{a}\mathbf{1} \quad \text{or} \quad -\mathbb{X}^2 - \mathbb{Y}^2 = \tilde{a}\mathbf{1},$$

where $\tilde{a} = 4a_3 - 2d_3$. The first and the last cases are equivalent, since the third relation can be rewritten as $\mathbb{X}^2 + \mathbb{Y}^2 = -\tilde{a}\mathbb{1}$. Thus we separate two possibilities in (4.17).

Case 2.4.1: $\mathbb{X}^2 + \mathbb{Y}^2 = \tilde{a}\mathbb{1}$. It is easy to see that $\tilde{a} > 0$ (by $\hat{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ being psd of rank 5, since otherwise $\beta_{\mathbb{Y}^2} = \beta_{\mathbb{X}^2\mathbb{Y}^2} = \beta_{\mathbb{Y}^4} = 0$). Hence after normalization we come into Case 2.2.

Case 2.4.2: $\mathbb{Y}^2 - \mathbb{X}^2 = \tilde{a}\mathbb{1}$. We may assume that $\tilde{a} \geq 0$ (otherwise we change the roles of \mathbb{X} and \mathbb{Y}). If $\tilde{a} = 0$, we are in Case 2.3. Otherwise we apply a transformation

$$\phi_{12}(X, Y) = \left(X, X - \frac{2\sqrt{|(4-d_3^2)|}}{\tilde{a}}Y \right)$$

to $\hat{\beta}$ and get $\hat{\beta}$ with $\hat{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying

$$\mathbb{Y}^2 + \left(1 - \frac{4(4-d_3^2)^2}{\tilde{a}^2}\right)\mathbb{X}^2 = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = -\tilde{a}\mathbb{1} + \tilde{a}\mathbb{X}^2.$$

It is easy to see that $1 - \frac{4(4-d_3^2)^2}{\tilde{a}^2} < 0$ (by $\hat{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ being psd of rank 5, since otherwise $\beta_{\mathbb{Y}^4} = \beta_{\mathbb{X}^2\mathbb{Y}^2} = \beta_{\mathbb{Y}^2} = \beta_{\mathbb{X}^2} = 0$) and after a further normalization of \mathbb{X} the relations of the corresponding matrix $\hat{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ become

$$\mathbb{Y}^2 - \mathbb{X}^2 = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = -\hat{a}\mathbb{1} - \hat{a}\mathbb{X}^2, \quad \text{for some } \hat{a} \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Hence we come into Case 2.3.

Case 3: The set $\{\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}^2, \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}\}$ is the basis for $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{M}_2}$.

Applying an affine linear transformation $(X, Y) \mapsto (Y, X)$ we come into Case 2. □

Now we prove Proposition 4.1 (2).

Proof of Proposition 4.1 (2). By Lemma 4.4 we have to consider 2 different cases.

Case 1: The set $\{\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}^2, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}\}$ is the basis for $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{M}_2}$.

By assumption there are constants $a_i, i = 1, \dots, 6$, such that

$$\mathbb{Y}^2 = a_1\mathbb{1} + a_2\mathbb{X} + a_3\mathbb{Y} + a_4\mathbb{X}^2 + a_5\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + a_6\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}.$$

By Lemma 4.2 the statement of Proposition 4.1 follows.

Case 2: The set $\{\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}^2, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}^2\}$ is the basis for $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{M}_2}$.

By assumption there are constants $a_i, i = 1, \dots, 6$, such that

$$(4.18) \quad \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = a_1\mathbb{1} + a_2\mathbb{X} + a_3\mathbb{Y} + a_4\mathbb{X}^2 + a_5\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + a_6\mathbb{Y}^2.$$

By comparing the rows $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}$ of the both sides of equation we conclude that $a_5 = -1$. We separate two cases.

Case 2.1: $a_4 \neq 0$ or $a_6 \neq 0$. By symmetry we may assume that $a_6 \neq 0$. We rewrite the relation (4.18) as

$$\mathbb{Y}^2 = -\frac{a_1}{a_6}\mathbb{1} - \frac{a_2}{a_6}\mathbb{X} - \frac{a_3}{a_6}\mathbb{Y} - \frac{a_4}{a_6}\mathbb{X}^2 - \frac{a_5}{a_6}\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \frac{1}{a_6}\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}.$$

By Lemma 4.2 the statement of Proposition 4.1 follows.

Case 2.2: $a_4 = a_6 = 0$. We rewrite the relation (4.18) as

$$(\mathbb{X} + \mathbb{Y})\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}(\mathbb{X} + \mathbb{Y}) - 2\mathbb{Y}^2 = a_1\mathbb{1} + a_2(\mathbb{X} + \mathbb{Y}) + (a_3 - a_2)\mathbb{Y}.$$

Applying an affine linear transformation $\phi_1(X, Y) = (X + Y, Y)$ to β we get $\tilde{\beta}$ with $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}(2)$ satisfying

$$\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} - 2\mathbb{Y}^2 = a_1\mathbb{1} + a_2\mathbb{X} + (a_3 - a_2)\mathbb{Y}.$$

By Lemma 4.2 the statement of Proposition 4.1 (2) follows. □

5. ATOMS IN THE MINIMAL MEASURE OF RANKS 5 AND 6

In this section we show that every $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ which admits a measure with \mathcal{M}_2 in one of the basic cases of rank 5 or one of the first three basic cases of rank 6 given by Proposition 4.1, admits a minimal measure with all the atoms of special form; see Proposition 5.1 below. This form will be crucial in the subsequent sections where we will analyze each basic case separately to show that the atoms of size 2 are sufficient.

Proposition 5.1. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ has a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 satisfying one of the column relations*

$$(5.1) \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} - \mathbb{X}^2 \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} + \mathbb{X}^2.$$

If β admits a measure, then the atoms are of the following two forms:

- (1) $(x_i, y_i) \in \mathbb{R}^2$.
- (2) $(X_i, Y_i) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{2t_i \times 2t_i})^2$ for some $t_i \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$X_i = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_i I_{t_i} & B_i \\ B_i^t & -\gamma_i I_{t_i} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad Y_i = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_i I_{t_i} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\mu_i I_{t_i} \end{pmatrix}$$

where $\gamma_i \geq 0$, $\mu_i > 0$ and B_i are $t_i \times t_i$ matrices.

Proof. Suppose μ is any measure representing β . By Theorem 2.2 every atom (X_i, Y_i) in μ satisfies the relation (5.1).

Claim 1: We may assume that $X_i Y_i + Y_i X_i$ and Y_i are diagonal matrices.

Observe that $X_i Y_i + Y_i X_i$ is symmetric and commutes with Y_i . Therefore after a orthogonal transformation we may assume that $X_i Y_i + Y_i X_i$ and Y_i are diagonal matrices.

Claim 2: We may assume that the atoms (X_i, Y_i) of size greater than 1 are of the forms

$$(5.2) \quad X_i = \begin{pmatrix} D_{i1} & B_i \\ B_i^t & D_{i2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad Y_i = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_i I_{n_{i1}} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\mu_i I_{n_{i2}} \end{pmatrix},$$

where $\mu_i > 0$, $n_{i1}, n_{i2} \in \mathbb{N}$, $D_{i1} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_{i1} \times n_{i1}}$ and $D_{i2} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_{i2} \times n_{i2}}$ are diagonal matrices and $B_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n_{i1} \times n_{i2}}$.

By an appropriate permutation we may assume that Y_i is of the form

$$Y_i = \bigoplus_{j=1}^{\ell_i} \begin{pmatrix} \mu_j^{(i)} I_{n_{ij}} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\mu_j^{(i)} I_{m_{ij}} \end{pmatrix} \bigoplus \mathbf{0}_{m \times m},$$

where $\ell_i, n_{ij}, m_{ij}, m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, $\mu_j^{(i)} > 0$ and $\mu_{j_1}^{(i)} \neq \mu_{j_2}^{(i)}$ for $j_1 \neq j_2$. Let

$$X_i = (X_{pr}^{(i)})_{pr}$$

be the corresponding block decomposition of X_i . Since $X_i Y_i + Y_i X_i$ is diagonal, it follows that

- (1) for $1 \leq p, r \leq \ell_i$ and $p \neq r$ we have that

$$\begin{aligned} [X_i Y_i + Y_i X_i]_{2p-1, 2r-1} &= (\mu_p^{(i)} + \mu_r^{(i)}) X_{2p-1, 2r-1}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0} \quad \Rightarrow \quad X_{2p-1, 2r-1}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0}, \\ [X_i Y_i + Y_i X_i]_{2p-1, 2r} &= (\mu_p^{(i)} - \mu_r^{(i)}) X_{2p-1, 2r}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0} \quad \Rightarrow \quad X_{2p-1, 2r}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0}, \\ [X_i Y_i + Y_i X_i]_{2p, 2r} &= -(\mu_p^{(i)} + \mu_r^{(i)}) X_{2p, 2r}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0} \quad \Rightarrow \quad X_{2p, 2r}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0}. \end{aligned}$$

- (2) for $1 \leq p \leq \ell_i$ we have that

$$\begin{aligned} [X_i Y_i + Y_i X_i]_{2p-1, 2\ell_i+1} &= \mu_p^{(i)} X_{2p-1, 2\ell_i+1}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0} \quad \Rightarrow \quad X_{2p-1, 2\ell_i+1}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0}, \\ [X_i Y_i + Y_i X_i]_{2p, 2\ell_i+1} &= -\mu_p^{(i)} X_{2p, 2\ell_i+1}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0} \quad \Rightarrow \quad X_{2p, 2\ell_i+1}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0}, \\ [X_i Y_i + Y_i X_i]_{2\ell_i+1, 2p-1} &= \mu_p^{(i)} X_{2\ell_i+1, 2p-1}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0} \quad \Rightarrow \quad X_{2\ell_i+1, 2p-1}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0}, \\ [X_i Y_i + Y_i X_i]_{2\ell_i+1, 2p} &= -\mu_p^{(i)} X_{2\ell_i+1, 2p}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0} \quad \Rightarrow \quad X_{2\ell_i+1, 2p}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0}. \end{aligned}$$

(3) for $1 \leq p = r \leq \ell_i$ we have that

$$\begin{aligned} [X_i Y_i + Y_i X_i]_{2p-1, 2p-1} &= 2\mu_p^{(i)} X_{2p-1, 2p-1}^{(i)} \text{ is diagonal} \Rightarrow X_{2p-1, 2p-1}^{(i)} \text{ is diagonal,} \\ [X_i Y_i + Y_i X_i]_{2p, 2p} &= -2\mu_p^{(i)} X_{2p, 2p}^{(i)} \text{ is diagonal} \Rightarrow X_{2p, 2p}^{(i)} \text{ is diagonal.} \end{aligned}$$

So X_i is of the form

$$X_i = \bigoplus_{j=1}^{\ell_i} \begin{pmatrix} X_{11}^{(ij)} & X_{12}^{(ij)} \\ (X_{12}^{(ij)})^t & X_{22}^{(ij)} \end{pmatrix} \bigoplus X_{\ell_i+1}^{(i)}.$$

Thus we can replace the atom (X_i, Y_i) with the atoms of the form

$$(5.3) \quad \tilde{X}_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} X_{11}^{(ij)} & X_{12}^{(ij)} \\ (X_{12}^{(ij)})^t & X_{22}^{(ij)} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{Y}_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_j^{(i)} I_{n_{ij}} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\mu_j^{(i)} I_{m_{ij}} \end{pmatrix},$$

or

$$(5.4) \quad \tilde{X}_{ij} = X_{\ell_i+1}^{(i)} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{Y}_{ij} = \mathbf{0}.$$

By orthogonal transformation the atom (5.4) can be replaced by the atom

$$\hat{X}_{ij} = D_{\ell_i+1}^{(i)} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{Y}_{ij} = \mathbf{0},$$

where $D_{\ell_i+1}^{(i)}$ is a diagonal matrix and further on by atoms of size 1 of the form $(x, 0)$, where x runs over the diagonal of $D_{\ell_i+1}^{(i)}$. Hence we may assume that the atoms of size greater than 1 in the representing measure for β are of the form (5.3). Further on, by appropriate orthogonal transformation we may assume that they are of the form (5.2). This proves the claim.

Claim 3: We may assume that the atoms (X_i, Y_i) of size greater than 1 are of the forms

$$X_i = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_i I_{t_i} & B_i \\ B_i^t & -\gamma_i I_{t_i} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad Y_i = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_i I_{t_i} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\mu_i I_{t_i} \end{pmatrix},$$

where $\gamma_i \geq 0$, $\mu_i > 0$ and B_i are $t_i \times t_i$ matrices for some $t_i \in \mathbb{N}$.

First we prove Claim 3 in case we have $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ in (5.1). Let us prove that we may assume invertibility of X_i . After applying an orthogonal transformation to (X_i, Y_i) we have $X_i = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \hat{X}_i \end{pmatrix}$ where \hat{X}_i is invertible and $Y_i = \begin{pmatrix} Y_{i1} & Y_{i2} \\ Y_{i2}^t & Y_{i3} \end{pmatrix}$. From $X_i Y_i + Y_i X_i = \mathbf{0}$ it follows that $Y_{i2} \hat{X}_i = \mathbf{0}$. Since \hat{X}_i is invertible, $Y_{i2} = \mathbf{0}$. Hence we can replace the atom (X_i, Y_i) with the atoms $(\mathbf{0}, Y_{i1})$ and (\hat{X}_i, Y_{i3}) . Since the atom $(\mathbf{0}, Y_{i1})$ can be further replaced with the atoms of size 1, we may assume the X_i is invertible.

Observe that in (3) from the proof of Claim 2 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{0} &= [X_i Y_i + Y_i X_i]_{2p-1, 2p-1} = 2\mu_p^{(i)} X_{2p-1, 2p-1}^{(i)} \Rightarrow X_{2p-1, 2p-1}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0}, \\ \mathbf{0} &= [X_i Y_i + Y_i X_i]_{2p, 2p} = -2\mu_p^{(i)} X_{2p, 2p}^{(i)} \Rightarrow X_{2p, 2p}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore X_i in (5.2) is of the form $X_i = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} & B_i \\ B_i^t & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}$ with $B_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n_{i1} \times n_{i2}}$ and $n_{i1} = n_{i2}$ by the invertibility of X_i . This proves Claim 3 in case we have $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ in (5.1).

It remains to prove Claim 3 in case we have $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} \pm \mathbb{X}^2$ in (5.1). By Claim 2 and after an appropriate permutation we may assume that X_i, Y_i are of the form (5.2) with

$$D_{i1} = \bigoplus_{j=1}^{p_i} \lambda_j^{(i)} I_{s_{ij}} \quad \text{and} \quad D_{i2} = \bigoplus_{j=1}^{r_i} \gamma_j^{(i)} I_{v_{ij}},$$

where $p_i, s_{ij}, r_i, v_{ij} \in \mathbb{N}$ and

$$\lambda_1^{(i)} > \lambda_2^{(i)} > \dots > \lambda_{p_i}^{(i)} \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma_1^{(i)} > \gamma_2^{(i)} > \dots > \gamma_{r_i}^{(i)}.$$

Let

$$B_i = (B_{pr}^{(i)})_{pr}$$

be the corresponding block decomposition of B_i , where

$$B_{pr}^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^{s_{ip} \times v_{ir}}$$

for $p = 1, \dots, p_i, r = 1, \dots, r_i$. Calculating X_i^2 we get that

$$X_i^2 = \begin{pmatrix} D_{i1}^2 + B_i B_i^t & D_{i1} B_i + B_i^t D_{i2} \\ B_i^t D_{i1} + D_{i2} B_i & B_i^t B_i + D_{i2}^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since X_i^2 is a diagonal matrix, we conclude that

$$D_{i1} B_i + B_i^t D_{i2} = \mathbf{0}.$$

Thus

$$[D_{i1} B_i + B_i^t D_{i2}]_{pr} = (\lambda_p^{(i)} + \gamma_r^{(i)}) B_{pr}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0},$$

for $1 \leq p \leq p_i, 1 \leq r \leq r_i$. We conclude that

$$\lambda_p^{(i)} = -\gamma_r^{(i)} \quad \text{or} \quad B_{pr}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0}.$$

So in every row and every column in the block decomposition of B_i at most one block $B_{pr}^{(i)}$ is possibly nonzero, i.e., $B_{pr}^{(i)}$ may be nonzero iff $\lambda_p^{(i)} = -\gamma_r^{(i)}$. So after a suitable permutation X_i has the following block decomposition

$$X_i = \bigoplus_{\substack{1 \leq p \leq p_i \\ 1 \leq r \leq r_i \\ \lambda_p^{(i)} + \gamma_r^{(i)} = 0}} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_p^{(i)} I_{s_{ip}} & B_{pr}^{(i)} \\ (B_{pr}^{(i)})^t & \gamma_r^{(i)} I_{v_{ir}} \end{pmatrix} \bigoplus \bigoplus_{\substack{1 \leq p \leq p_k \\ \lambda_p^{(i)} \neq -\gamma_r^{(i)} \forall r}} (\lambda_p^{(i)} I_{s_{ip}}) \\ \bigoplus \bigoplus_{\substack{1 \leq r \leq r_k \\ \lambda_p^{(i)} \neq -\gamma_r^{(i)} \forall p}} (\gamma_r^{(i)} I_{v_{ir}}).$$

The corresponding block decomposition of Y_i is of the form

$$Y_i = \bigoplus_{\substack{1 \leq p \leq p_i \\ 1 \leq r \leq r_i \\ \lambda_p^{(i)} + \gamma_r^{(i)} = 0}} \begin{pmatrix} \mu_i I_{s_{ip}} & 0 \\ 0 & -\mu_i I_{v_{ir}} \end{pmatrix} \bigoplus \bigoplus_{\substack{1 \leq p \leq p_k \\ \lambda_p^{(i)} \neq -\gamma_r^{(i)} \forall r}} (\mu_i I_{s_{ip}}) \\ \bigoplus \bigoplus_{\substack{1 \leq r \leq r_k \\ \lambda_p^{(i)} \neq -\gamma_r^{(i)} \forall p}} (-\mu_i I_{v_{ir}}).$$

Thus we can replace the atom (X_i, Y_i) with the atoms of the form

$$(5.5) \quad \tilde{X}_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_p^{(i)} I_{s_{ip}} & B_{pr}^{(i)} \\ (B_{pr}^{(i)})^t & -\lambda_p^{(i)} I_{v_{ir}} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{Y}_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_i I_{s_{ip}} & 0 \\ 0 & -\mu_i I_{v_{ir}} \end{pmatrix}$$

or

$$\tilde{X}_{ij} = \lambda_p^{(i)} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{Y}_{ij} = \mu_i$$

or

$$\tilde{X}_{ij} = \gamma_r^{(i)} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{Y}_{ij} = -\mu_i.$$

Hence we may assume that the atoms (X_i, Y_i) of size greater than 1 in the representing measure for \mathcal{M}_2 are of the form (5.5). Now

$$X_i^2 = \begin{pmatrix} (\lambda_p^{(i)})^2 I_{s_{ip}} + B_{pr}^{(i)} (B_{pr}^{(i)})^t & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & (B_{pr}^{(i)})^t B_{pr}^{(i)} + (\lambda_p^{(i)})^2 I_{v_{ir}} \end{pmatrix}$$

Since

$$X_i^2 = \mathbb{1} \pm Y_i^2 = \begin{pmatrix} (1 \pm \mu_i^2) I_{s_{ip}} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & (1 \pm \mu_i^2) I_{v_{ir}} \end{pmatrix},$$

it follows that

$$(5.6) \quad B_{pr}^{(i)}(B_{pr}^{(i)})^t = (1 \pm \mu_i^2 - (\lambda_p^{(i)})^2)I_{s_{ip}}$$

$$(5.7) \quad (B_{pr}^{(i)})^t B_{pr}^{(i)} = (1 \pm \mu_i^2 - (\lambda_p^{(i)})^2)I_{v_{ir}}.$$

We separate two cases according to the value of $1 \pm \mu_i^2 - (\lambda_p^{(i)})^2$.

Case 1: $1 \pm \mu_i^2 - (\lambda_p^{(i)})^2 = 0$.

It follows that $B_{pr}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0}$. Then X_i is diagonal and commutes with Y_i . Therefore the atom (X_i, Y_i) can be replaced by the atoms $(\lambda_p^{(i)}, \mu_i)$ and $(-\lambda_p^{(i)}, -\mu_i)$.

Case 2: $1 \pm \mu_i^2 - (\lambda_p^{(i)})^2 \neq 0$.

From (5.6) and (5.7) it follows that

$$(5.8) \quad s_{ip} = \text{rank}(B_{pr}^{(i)}(B_{pr}^{(i)})^t) \leq \min(\text{rank}(B_{pr}^{(i)}), \text{rank}((B_{pr}^{(i)})^t)) \leq \min(s_{ip}, v_{ir})$$

$$(5.9) \quad v_{ir} = \text{rank}((B_{pr}^{(i)})^t B_{pr}^{(i)}) \leq \min(\text{rank}((B_{pr}^{(i)})^t), \text{rank}(B_{pr}^{(i)})) \leq \min(v_{ir}, s_{ip}).$$

It follows from (5.8) and (5.9) that $s_{ip} = v_{ir}$ in (5.5) which proves Claim 3 and concludes the proof of Proposition 5.1. \square

6. SOLUTION OF THE BQTMP FOR \mathcal{M}_2 OF RANK 5

In this section we solve the BQTMP for \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5. By Proposition 4.1 it suffices to solve four basic cases. In Subsections 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 6.4 we study these cases separately. We characterize exactly when \mathcal{M}_2 admits a measure, see Theorems 6.4, 6.7, 6.10 and 6.13. Moreover, we characterize type and uniqueness of the minimal measures. In particular, the minimal measure is almost always unique (up to orthogonal equivalence), except in one subcase for which there are two minimal measures, and there is always exactly one atom from $(\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2})^2$ in the minimal measure and up to three atoms from \mathbb{R}^2 .

Let $(X, Y) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{t \times t})^2$ where $t \in \mathbb{N}$. We denote by $\mathcal{M}_2^{(X, Y)}$ the moment matrix generated by (X, Y) , i.e., $\beta_{w(X, Y)} = \text{Tr}(w(X, Y))$ for every $|w(X, Y)| \leq 4$.

The following proposition will be used in all four basic cases to prove that if β admits a measure, then it has a representing measure with the atoms of size at most 2.

Proposition 6.1. *Let us fix a pair (R_1, R_2) of the basic case relations given by Proposition 4.1 (1). If every sequence $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ with $\beta_X = \beta_Y = \beta_{X^3} = 0$ and a moment matrix $\mathcal{M}_2(\beta)$ of rank 5 with column relations R_1 and R_2 , admits a measure with atoms of size at most 2, then every sequence $\tilde{\beta} \equiv \tilde{\beta}^{(4)}$ which admits a measure and has a moment matrix $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_2$ of rank 5 with column relations R_1 and R_2 , admits a measure with atoms of size at most 2.*

Proof. Suppose $\tilde{\beta}$ admit a measure and has a moment matrix $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_2$ of rank 5 with column relations R_1 and R_2 . By Proposition 5.1 we may assume that all the atoms $(X_i, Y_i) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{u_i \times u_i})^2$ of size $u_i > 1$ are of the form

$$X_i = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_i I_{t_i} & B_i \\ B_i^t & -\gamma_i I_{t_i} \end{pmatrix}, \quad Y_i = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_i I_{t_i} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\mu_i I_{t_i} \end{pmatrix},$$

where $\gamma_i \geq 0$, $\mu_i > 0$ and B_i are $t_i \times t_i$ matrices. Calculating X_i^3 we get

$$X_i^3 = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_i(\gamma_i^2 I_{t_i} + B_i B_i^t) & (\gamma_i^2 I_{t_i} + B_i B_i^t) B_i \\ (\gamma_i^2 I_{t_i} + B_i^t B_i) B_i^t & -\gamma_i(\gamma_i^2 I_{t_i} + B_i^t B_i) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Therefore $\mathcal{M}_2^{(X_i, Y_i)}$ satisfies $\beta_X = \beta_Y = \beta_{X^3} = 0$. By assumption the atom (X_i, Y_i) can be replaced by the atoms of size at most 2. \square

6.1. Pair $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{Y}^2 + \mathbb{X}^2 = \mathbf{1}$. In this subsection we study a sequence $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{Y}^2 + \mathbb{X}^2 = \mathbf{1}$. In Theorem 6.4 we characterize exactly when β admits a measure. Moreover, we classify type and uniqueness of the minimal measure.

The form of \mathcal{M}_2 is given by the following proposition.

Proposition 6.2. Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations

$$(6.1) \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{X}^2 + \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1}.$$

Then \mathcal{M}_2 is of the form

$$(6.2) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 & \beta_X & \beta_Y & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_1 - \beta_{X^2} \\ \beta_X & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & \beta_X & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_Y & 0 & \beta_1 - \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_Y \\ \beta_{X^2} & \beta_X & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & -\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ \beta_1 - \beta_{X^2} & 0 & \beta_Y & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_1 - 2\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof. The relations (6.1) give us the following system in \mathcal{M}_2

$$(6.3) \quad \begin{aligned} 2\beta_{XY} &= 0, & \beta_{X^2Y^2} + \beta_{XYXY} &= 0, & \beta_{Y^3} &= \beta_Y - \beta_{X^2Y}, \\ 2\beta_{X^2Y} &= 0, & 2\beta_{XY^3} &= 0, & \beta_{X^2Y^2} &= \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4}, \\ 2\beta_{XY^2} &= 0, & \beta_{Y^2} &= \beta_1 - \beta_{X^2}, & \beta_{XY^3} &= \beta_{XY} - \beta_{X^3Y}, \\ 2\beta_{X^3Y} &= 0, & \beta_{XY^2} &= \beta_X - \beta_{X^3}, & \beta_{Y^4} &= \beta_{Y^2} - \beta_{X^2Y^2}. \end{aligned}$$

The solution to (6.3) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_X &= \beta_{X^3}, & \beta_{Y^4} &= \beta_1 - 2\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4}, \\ \beta_{XYXY} &= \beta_{X^4} - \beta_{X^2}, & \beta_{Y^3} &= \beta_Y, \\ \beta_{XY} &= \beta_{X^2Y} = \beta_{XY^2} = \beta_{X^3Y} = \beta_{XY^3} = 0, & \beta_{X^2Y^2} &= \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4}, \end{aligned}$$

and thus \mathcal{M}_2 takes the form (6.2). □

Proposition 6.3. Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a normalized sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{X}^2 + \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1}$. Then \mathcal{M}_2 is positive semidefinite if and only if

$$0 < \beta_{X^2} < 1, \quad |\beta_X| < \beta_{X^2}, \quad |\beta_Y| < (1 - \beta_{X^2}), \quad A < \beta_{X^4} < \beta_{X^2},$$

where

$$A = \frac{-\beta_{X^2}^3 + \beta_{X^2}^4 - \beta_X^2 + \beta_Y^2\beta_X^2 + 3\beta_{X^2}\beta_X^2 - 2\beta_{X^2}^2\beta_X^2}{-\beta_{X^2} + \beta_Y^2\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^2}^2 + \beta_X^2 - \beta_{X^2}\beta_X^2}.$$

Proof. The statement is easily checked using *Mathematica*. □

The following theorem characterizes normalized sequences β with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{X}^2 + \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1}$, which admit a measure.

Theorem 6.4. Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a normalized sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{X}^2 + \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1}$. Then β admits a measure if and only if

$$(6.4) \quad |\beta_Y| < 1 - |\beta_X|, \quad |\beta_Y| < \beta_{X^2} < 1 - |\beta_Y|, \quad A \leq \beta_{X^4} < \beta_{X^2},$$

where

$$A = \frac{-\beta_{X^2}^2 - |\beta_X| + 2\beta_{X^2}|\beta_X| + |\beta_Y||\beta_X|}{-1 + |\beta_Y| + |\beta_X|}.$$

Moreover, the minimal measure is unique (up to orthogonal equivalence) and of type:

- (1, 1) if and only if $\beta_X\beta_Y = 0$ and $\beta_{X^4} = A$.

There are two minimal measures (up to orthogonal equivalence) of type:

- (2, 1) if and only if $\beta_X = \beta_Y = 0$ or $(\beta_X\beta_Y \neq 0$ and $\beta_{X^4} = A)$.
- (3, 1) if and only if $\beta_X\beta_Y \neq 0$ and $\beta_{X^4} \neq A$.

Proof. First note that the pairs $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ satisfying the equations $xy + yx = 0$ and $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ are

$$(1, 0), (-1, 0), (0, 1), (0, -1) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

By Lemma 2.2 these are the only pairs in \mathbb{R}^2 which can be atoms of size 1 in the measure for β .

Claim 1: β with $\beta_X = \beta_Y = 0$ and psd \mathcal{M}_2 admits a measure. Moreover, there are two minimal measures of type (2,1).

Using (6.2) we see that \mathcal{M}_2 is of the form

$$\mathcal{M}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 1 - \beta_{X^2} \\ 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 - \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{X^4} - \beta_{X^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} - \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ 1 - \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & 1 - 2\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} \end{pmatrix}.$$

We define the matrix function

$$B(\alpha) := \mathcal{M}_2 - \alpha \left(\mathcal{M}_2^{(1,0)} + \mathcal{M}_2^{(-1,0)} \right),$$

where

$$\mathcal{M}_2^{(\pm 1,0)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \pm 1 & 0 & 1 \\ \pm 1 & 1 & 0 & \pm 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & \pm 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \oplus \mathbf{0}_3,$$

and $\mathbf{0}_3$ stands for the 3×3 matrix with zero entries. Then

$$B(\alpha) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 2\alpha & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} - 2\alpha & 0 & 0 & C \\ 0 & \beta_{X^2} - 2\alpha & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & C & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} - 2\alpha & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} - 2\alpha & 0 & 0 & D \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & D & -D & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -D & D & 0 \\ C & 0 & 0 & D & 0 & 0 & C - D \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$C = 1 - \beta_{X^2}, \quad D = \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4}.$$

Let $\alpha_0 > 0$ be the smallest positive number such that the rank of $B(\alpha_0)$ is smaller than 5. Using *Mathematica* (solving $\det(B(\alpha)_{\{1, X, Y, X^2, XY\}}) = 0$) we get that

$$\alpha_0 = \min \left(\frac{\beta_{X^2}}{2}, \frac{\beta_{X^2}^2 - \beta_{X^4}}{2(-1 + 2\beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4})} \right).$$

Subclaim 1.1: $\alpha_0 = \frac{\beta_{X^2}^2 - \beta_{X^4}}{2(-1 + 2\beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4})}$.

We define

$$\Delta := \frac{\beta_{X^2}}{2} - \frac{\beta_{X^2}^2 - \beta_{X^4}}{2(-1 + 2\beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4})} = \frac{(1 - \beta_{X^2})(\beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4})}{2(1 - 2\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4})}.$$

To prove the subclaim we have to prove that $\Delta > 0$. Since \mathcal{M}_2 is psd of rank 5, it follows that

$$1 - \beta_{X^2} > 0, \quad \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} > 0, \quad 1 - 2\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} > 0.$$

Thus $\Delta > 0$.

The matrix $B(\alpha_0)$ is psd of rank 4 and satisfies the column relations

$$\mathbb{X}^2 = \frac{\beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4}}{1 - \beta_{X^2}} \mathbf{1}, \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \frac{1 - 2\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4}}{1 - \beta_{X^2}} \mathbf{1}.$$

By Theorem 3.1 it has a unique (up to orthogonal equivalence) 1-atomic measure with an atom $(X, Y) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2})^2$. Therefore \mathcal{M}_2 has a minimal measure of type (2, 1). Indeed, minimality follows by the following facts:

- Since \mathcal{M}_2 is a nc moment matrix, there must be at least one atom of size > 1 in the representing measure.

- If there is exactly one atom of size 2 in the representing measure, then there must be at least one atom of size 1, since otherwise \mathcal{M}_2 would have rank at most 4. Since $\beta_X = \beta_Y = 0$, atoms $(1, 0), (-1, 0)$ (resp. $(0, 1), (0, -1)$) occur in pairs with the same densities.

By symmetry there exists a unique minimal measure of type (2,1) involving the atoms $(0, 1)$ and $(0, -1)$. This concludes the proof of Claim 1.

Claim 2: If β admits a measure, then it has a representing measure with the atoms of size at most 2.

Claim 2 follows by Proposition 6.1 and Claim 1.

Claim 3: β admits a measure if and only if (6.4) holds.

A special case $\beta_X = \beta_Y = 0$ of Claim 3 follows by Claim 1. Let us assume that $\beta_X \neq 0$ or $\beta_Y \neq 0$ and suppose that β admits a measure. By Claim 2,

$$(6.5) \quad \mathcal{M}_2 = \sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} + \sum_j \xi_j \mathcal{M}_2^{(X_j, Y_j)}.$$

where $(x_i, y_i) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $(X_j, Y_j) \in \mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$, $\lambda_i > 0$, $\xi_j > 0$ and $\sum_i \lambda_i + \sum_j \xi_j = 1$. By Corollary 3.2,

$$(6.6) \quad \beta_X^{(j)} = \beta_Y^{(j)} = \beta_{X^3}^{(j)} = \beta_{X^2 Y}^{(j)} = \beta_{X Y^2}^{(j)} = \beta_{Y^3}^{(j)} = 0,$$

where $\beta_{w(X,Y)}^{(j)}$ are the moments of $\mathcal{M}_2^{(X_j, Y_j)}$. By the first paragraph in the proof of Theorem 6.4,

$$(6.7) \quad \sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} = \lambda_1 \mathcal{M}_2^{(1,0)} + \lambda_2 \mathcal{M}_2^{(-1,0)} + \lambda_3 \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,1)} + \lambda_4 \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,-1)},$$

where $\lambda_i \geq 0$ for each i . Using (6.5), (6.6) and (6.7) we conclude that

$$\sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} = \begin{pmatrix} a & \beta_X & \beta_Y & b & 0 & 0 & c \\ \beta_X & b & 0 & \beta_X & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_Y & 0 & a & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_Y \\ b & \beta_X & 0 & b & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ c & 0 & \beta_Y & 0 & 0 & 0 & c \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for some } a, b, c \geq 0,$$

where

$$\beta_X = \lambda_1 - \lambda_2, \quad \beta_Y = \lambda_3 - \lambda_4, \quad b = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2, \quad c = \lambda_3 + \lambda_4, \quad a = b + c.$$

Subclaim 3.1: We have that $\sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} \succeq A$, where

$$A := \begin{pmatrix} |\beta_X| + |\beta_Y| & \beta_X & \beta_Y & |\beta_X| & 0 & 0 & |\beta_Y| \\ \beta_X & |\beta_X| & 0 & \beta_X & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_Y & 0 & |\beta_X| + |\beta_Y| & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_Y \\ |\beta_X| & \beta_X & 0 & |\beta_X| & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ |\beta_Y| & 0 & \beta_Y & 0 & 0 & 0 & |\beta_Y| \end{pmatrix}.$$

There are the following possibilities:

- (1) If $\beta_X \geq 0$ and $\beta_Y \geq 0$, then since

$$\lambda_1 \geq \beta_X, \quad \lambda_3 \geq \beta_Y, \quad \lambda_2 \geq 0, \quad \lambda_4 \geq 0, \quad \mathcal{M}_2^{(\pm 1, 0)} \succeq 0, \quad \mathcal{M}_2^{(0, \pm 1)} \succeq 0,$$

it follows that

$$\sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} \succeq \beta_X \mathcal{M}_2^{(1,0)} + \beta_Y \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,1)}.$$

(2) If $\beta_X \geq 0$ and $\beta_Y < 0$, then since

$$\lambda_1 \geq \beta_X, \lambda_4 \geq |\beta_Y|, \lambda_2 \geq 0, \lambda_3 \geq 0, \mathcal{M}_2^{(\pm 1, 0)} \succeq 0, \mathcal{M}_2^{(0, \pm 1)} \succeq 0,$$

it follows that

$$\sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} \succeq \beta_X \mathcal{M}_2^{(1, 0)} + |\beta_Y| \mathcal{M}_2^{(0, -1)}.$$

(3) If $\beta_X < 0$ and $\beta_Y \geq 0$, then since

$$\lambda_2 \geq |\beta_X|, \lambda_3 \geq \beta_Y, \lambda_1 \geq 0, \lambda_4 \geq 0, \mathcal{M}_2^{(\pm 1, 0)} \succeq 0, \mathcal{M}_2^{(0, \pm 1)} \succeq 0,$$

it follows that

$$\sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} \succeq |\beta_X| \mathcal{M}_2^{(-1, 0)} + \beta_Y \mathcal{M}_2^{(0, 1)}.$$

(4) If $\beta_X < 0$ and $\beta_Y < 0$, then since

$$\lambda_2 \geq |\beta_X|, \lambda_4 \geq |\beta_Y|, \lambda_1 \geq 0, \lambda_3 \geq 0, \mathcal{M}_2^{(\pm 1, 0)} \succeq 0, \mathcal{M}_2^{(0, \pm 1)} \succeq 0,$$

it follows that

$$\sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} \succeq |\beta_X| \mathcal{M}_2^{(-1, 0)} + |\beta_Y| \mathcal{M}_2^{(0, -1)}.$$

Combining all possibilities proves the subclaim.

$\mathcal{M}_2 - A$ is of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 - |\beta_Y| - |\beta_X| & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} - |\beta_X| & 0 & 0 & E \\ 0 & \beta_{X^2} - |\beta_X| & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & E & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} - |\beta_X| & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} - |\beta_X| & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & -\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ E & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & F \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$E = 1 - \beta_{X^2} - |\beta_Y| \quad \text{and} \quad F = E - \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4}.$$

By Subclaim 3.1,

$$\mathcal{M}_2 - \sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} \preceq \mathcal{M}_2 - A.$$

Using *Mathematica*,

$$(6.8) \quad \mathcal{M}_2 - A \succeq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad (\mathcal{M}_2 - A)_{\{1, X, Y, XY\}} \succ 0$$

(which are necessary conditions for the existence of a measure for a nc moment matrix $\mathcal{M}_2 - A$ by Proposition 2.1 and Corollary 2.3) and \mathcal{M}_2 is psd if and only if (6.4) holds. This proves Claim 3.

Claim 4: Minimal measures are as stated in the theorem.

If $\beta_X = \beta_Y = 0$, Claim 4 follows by Claim 1. Suppose $\beta_X \neq 0$ or $\beta_Y \neq 0$. Let A be as in the proof of Claim 3. The following statements are true:

- (1) Minimal measure is unique of type (1,1) if and only if the rank of $\mathcal{M}_2 - A$ is 4 and one of the moments β_X, β_Y is 0.
- (2) Minimal measure is unique of type (2,1) if and only if
 - (a) the rank of $\mathcal{M}_2 - A$ is 4 and $\beta_X \beta_Y \neq 0$.
 - (b) the rank of $\mathcal{M}_2 - A$ is 5 and one of the moments β_X, β_Y is 0 in which case we subtract $\alpha \left(\mathcal{M}_2^{(1, 0)} + \mathcal{M}_2^{(-1, 0)} \right)$ or $\alpha \left(\mathcal{M}_2^{(0, 1)} + \mathcal{M}_2^{(0, -1)} \right)$ with the smallest $\alpha > 0$ such that the rank falls to 4.
- (3) There are two minimal measures of type (3,1) if and only if the rank of $\mathcal{M}_2 - A$ is 5 and $\beta_X \beta_Y \neq 0$ in which case we subtract $\alpha \left(\mathcal{M}_2^{(1, 0)} + \mathcal{M}_2^{(-1, 0)} \right)$ or $\alpha \left(\mathcal{M}_2^{(0, 1)} + \mathcal{M}_2^{(0, -1)} \right)$ with the smallest $\alpha > 0$ such that the rank falls to 4.

The rank of $\mathcal{M}_2 - A$ is 5 exactly when in addition to (6.8),

$$(\mathcal{M}_2 - A)_{\{\mathbf{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}^2, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}\}} \succ 0.$$

in addition to $\mathcal{M}_2 - A$. Using *Mathematica* we obtain exactly the statement in the theorem. \square

6.2. Pair $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1}$. In this subsection we study a sequence β with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1}$. In Theorem 6.7 we characterize exactly when β admits a measure. Moreover, we classify type and uniqueness of the minimal measure.

The form of \mathcal{M}_2 is given by the following proposition.

Proposition 6.5. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations*

$$(6.9) \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1}.$$

Then \mathcal{M}_2 is of the form

$$(6.10) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 & 0 & \beta_Y & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_1 \\ 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & \beta_{X^3} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_Y & 0 & \beta_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_Y \\ \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{X^3} & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & -\beta_{X^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta_{X^2} & \beta_{X^2} & 0 \\ \beta_1 & 0 & \beta_Y & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof. The relations (6.9) give us the following system in \mathcal{M}_2

$$(6.11) \quad \begin{array}{lll} 2\beta_{XY} = 0, & \beta_{X^2Y^2} + \beta_{XYXY} = 0, & \beta_{Y^3} = \beta_Y, \\ 2\beta_{X^2Y} = 0, & 2\beta_{XY^3} = 0, & \beta_{X^2Y^2} = \beta_{X^2}, \\ 2\beta_{XY^2} = 0, & \beta_{Y^2} = \beta_1, & \beta_{XY^3} = \beta_{XY}, \\ 2\beta_{X^3Y} = 0, & \beta_{XY^2} = \beta_X, & \beta_{Y^4} = \beta_{Y^2}. \end{array}$$

The solution to (6.11) is given by

$$(6.12) \quad \begin{array}{ll} \beta_{XY} = 0, & \beta_{XYXY} = -\beta_{X^2}, \\ \beta_{X^2Y} = 0, & \beta_{Y^4} = \beta_{Y^2} = \beta_1, \\ \beta_{XY^2} = \beta_X = 0, & \beta_{Y^3} = \beta_Y, \\ \beta_{X^3Y} = \beta_{XY^3} = 0, & \beta_{X^2Y^2} = \beta_{X^2}, \end{array}$$

and thus \mathcal{M}_2 takes the form (6.10). \square

Proposition 6.6. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a normalized sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1}$. Then \mathcal{M}_2 is positive semidefinite if and only if*

$$\beta_{X^3} \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \beta_{X^2} > 0, \quad |\beta_Y| < 1, \quad \beta_{X^4} > \frac{-\beta_{X^2}^3 - \beta_{X^3}^2 + \beta_Y^2 \beta_{X^3}^2}{-\beta_{X^2} + \beta_Y^2 \beta_{X^2}}.$$

Proof. The statement is easily checked using *Mathematica*. \square

The following theorem characterizes normalized sequences β with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1}$, which admit a measure.

Theorem 6.7. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a normalized sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1}$. Then β admits a measure exactly in the following cases:*

- (1) \mathcal{M}_2 is positive semidefinite and $\beta_{X^3} = \beta_Y = 0$. The minimal measure is unique (up to orthogonal equivalence) and of type (2,1).
- (2) \mathcal{M}_2 is positive semidefinite and

$$(6.13) \quad \beta_{X^3} = 0, \quad \beta_{X^2} > 0, \quad 0 < |\beta_Y| < 1, \quad \beta_{X^4} \geq \frac{\beta_{X^2}^2}{1 - |\beta_Y|}.$$

Moreover, assume that (6.13) holds. The minimal measure is unique (up to orthogonal equivalence). It is of type (1,1) if and only if $\beta_{X^4} = \frac{\beta_{X^2}^2}{1 - |\beta_Y|}$. Otherwise it is of type (2,1).

Proof. First note that the pairs $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ satisfying the equations $xy + yx = 0$ and $y^2 = 1$ are

$$(0, 1), (0, -1) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

By Lemma 2.2 these are the only pairs from \mathbb{R}^2 which can be atoms of size 1 in the measure for β .

Claim 1: β with $\beta_{X^3} = \beta_Y = 0$ and psd \mathcal{M}_2 admits a measure. Moreover, the minimal measure is unique and of type (2,1).

Using (6.10) we see that \mathcal{M}_2 is of the form

$$\mathcal{M}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & -\beta_{X^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta_{X^2} & \beta_{X^2} & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We define the matrix function

$$B(\alpha) := \mathcal{M}_2 - \alpha(\mathcal{M}_2^{(0,1)} + \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,-1)}),$$

where

$$\mathcal{M}_2^{(0,\pm 1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \pm 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \pm 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \pm 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & \pm 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

$$B(\alpha) = \begin{pmatrix} 1-2\alpha & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 1-2\alpha \\ 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1-2\alpha & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & -\beta_{X^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta_{X^2} & \beta_{X^2} & 0 \\ 1-2\alpha & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 1-2\alpha \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let $\alpha_0 > 0$ be the smallest positive number such that the rank of $B(\alpha_0)$ is smaller than 5. Using *Mathematica* (solving $\det(B(\alpha)_{\{1, X, Y, X^2, XY\}}) = 0$) we get that

$$\alpha_0 = \min \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\beta_{X^4} - \beta_{X^2}^2}{2\beta_{X^4}} \right).$$

Subclaim 1.1: $\alpha_0 = \frac{\beta_{X^4} - \beta_{X^2}^2}{2\beta_{X^4}}$.

We define

$$\Delta := \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\beta_{X^4} - \beta_{X^2}^2}{2\beta_{X^4}} = \frac{\beta_{X^2}^2}{2\beta_{X^4}}.$$

To prove the subclaim we have to prove that $\Delta > 0$. Since \mathcal{M}_2 is psd, this is true.

The matrix $B(\alpha_0)$ is psd matrix of rank 4 and satisfies the relations

$$\mathbb{X}^2 = \frac{\beta_{X^4}}{\beta_{X^2}} \mathbf{1}, \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1}.$$

By Theorem 3.1 it has a unique (up to orthogonal equivalence) 1-atomic measure with an atom $(X, Y) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2})^2$. Therefore \mathcal{M}_2 has a minimal measure of type (2,1). Indeed, minimality follows by the following facts:

- Since \mathcal{M}_2 is a nc moment matrix, there must be at least one atom of size > 1 in the representing measure.
- If there is exactly one atom of size 2 in the representing measure, then there must be at least one atom of size 1, since otherwise \mathcal{M}_2 would have rank at most 4. Since $\beta_X = \beta_Y = 0$, atoms $(0, 1)$, $(0, -1)$ occur in pairs with the same densities.

Claim 2: If β admits a measure, then it has a representing measure with the atoms of size at most 2.

Claim 2 follows by Proposition 6.1 and Claim 1.

Claim 3: If $\beta_{x^3} \neq 0$ or $\beta_Y \neq 0$, then β admits a measure if and only if (6.13) holds.

Let us assume that $\beta_{x^3} \neq 0$ or $\beta_Y \neq 0$ and suppose that β admits a measure. By Claim 2,

$$(6.14) \quad \mathcal{M}_2 = \sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} + \sum_j \xi_j \mathcal{M}_2^{(X_j, Y_j)}.$$

where $(x_i, y_i) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $(X_j, Y_j) \in \mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$, $\lambda_i > 0$, $\xi_j > 0$ and $\sum_i \lambda_i + \sum_j \xi_j = 1$. By Corollary 3.2,

$$(6.15) \quad \beta_X^{(j)} = \beta_Y^{(j)} = \beta_{X^3}^{(j)} = \beta_{X^2Y}^{(j)} = \beta_{XY^2}^{(j)} = \beta_{Y^3}^{(j)} = 0,$$

where $\beta_{w(X,Y)}^{(j)}$ are the moments of $\mathcal{M}_2^{(X_j, Y_j)}$. By the first paragraph in the proof of Theorem 6.7, it follows that

$$(6.16) \quad \sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} = \lambda_1 \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,1)} + \lambda_2 \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,-1)},$$

where $\lambda_i \geq 0$ for $i = 1, 2$. Using (6.14), (6.15) and (6.16) we conclude that $\sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)}$ is of the form

$$(6.17) \quad \sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 & \beta_Y & 0 & 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_Y & 0 & a & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_Y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 0 & \beta_Y & 0 & 0 & 0 & a \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for some } a \geq 0,$$

where

$$\beta_Y = \lambda_1 - \lambda_2, \quad a = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2.$$

Subclaim 3.1: If β has a measure, then $\beta_{X^3} = 0$.

Combining (6.14), (6.15) and (6.17), the subclaim follows.

Subclaim 3.2: We have that $\sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} \succeq A$, where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} |\beta_Y| & 0 & \beta_Y & 0 & 0 & 0 & |\beta_Y| \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_Y & 0 & |\beta_Y| & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_Y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ |\beta_Y| & 0 & \beta_Y & 0 & 0 & 0 & |\beta_Y| \end{pmatrix}.$$

There are the following possibilities:

(1) If $\beta_Y > 0$, then since

$$\lambda_1 \geq \beta_Y, \quad \lambda_2 \geq 0, \quad \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,1)} \succeq 0, \quad \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,-1)} \succeq 0,$$

it follows that

$$\sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} \succeq \beta_Y \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,1)}.$$

(2) If $\beta_Y < 0$, then since

$$\lambda_2 \geq |\beta_Y|, \quad \lambda_1 \geq 0, \quad \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,1)} \succeq 0, \quad \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,-1)} \succeq 0,$$

it follows that

$$\sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} \succeq |\beta_Y| \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,-1)}.$$

Combining all possibilities proves the subclaim.

$\mathcal{M}_2 - A$ is of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 - |\beta_Y| & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 1 - |\beta_Y| \\ 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 - |\beta_Y| & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & -\beta_{X^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta_{X^2} & \beta_{X^2} & 0 \\ 1 - |\beta_Y| & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 1 - |\beta_Y| \end{pmatrix}.$$

By Subclaim 3.2, $\mathcal{M}_2 - \sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} \succeq \mathcal{M}_2 - A$. Using *Mathematica*,

$$(6.18) \quad \mathcal{M}_2 - A \succeq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad (\mathcal{M}_2 - A)_{\{1, X, Y, XY\}} \succ 0$$

(which are necessary conditions for the existence of a measure for a nc moment matrix $\mathcal{M}_2 - A$ by Proposition 2.1 and Corollary 2.3) and $\mathcal{M}_2 - A$ is psd if and only if (6.13) holds.

Claim 4: Minimal measures are as stated in the theorem.

If $\beta_{X^3} = \beta_Y = 0$, Claim 4 follows by Claim 1. Suppose $\beta_Y \neq 0$. Let A be as in the proof of Claim 3. The following statements are true:

- (1) Minimal measure is unique of type (1,1) if and only if the rank of $\mathcal{M}_2 - A \succeq 0$ is 4.
- (2) Minimal measure is unique of type (2,1) if and only if the rank of $\mathcal{M}_2 - A \succeq 0$ is 5 in which case we subtract $\alpha (\mathcal{M}_2^{(0,1)} + \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,-1)})$ with the smallest $\alpha > 0$ such that the rank falls to 4.

The rank of $\mathcal{M}_2 - A$ is 5 exactly when in addition to (6.18),

$$(\mathcal{M}_2 - A)_{\{1, X, Y, X^2, XY\}} \succ 0.$$

in addition to $\mathcal{M}_2 - A$. Using *Mathematica* we obtain exactly the statement in the theorem. \square

6.3. Pair $XY + YX = \mathbf{0}$ and $Y^2 - X^2 = \mathbf{1}$. In this subsection we study a sequence β with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations $XY + YX = \mathbf{0}$ and $Y^2 + X^2 = \mathbf{1}$. In Theorem 6.10 we characterize exactly when β admits a measure. Moreover, we classify the type and uniqueness of the minimal measure.

The form of \mathcal{M}_2 is given by the following proposition.

Proposition 6.8. Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations

$$(6.19) \quad XY + YX = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{and} \quad Y^2 - X^2 = \mathbf{1}.$$

Then \mathcal{M}_2 is of the form

$$(6.20) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 & \beta_X & \beta_Y & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_1 + \beta_{X^2} \\ \beta_X & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & -\beta_X & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_Y & 0 & \beta_1 + \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_Y \\ \beta_{X^2} & -\beta_X & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & -\beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ \beta_1 + \beta_{X^2} & 0 & \beta_Y & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_1 + 2\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof. The relations (6.1) give us the following system in \mathcal{M}_2

$$(6.21) \quad \begin{array}{lll} 2\beta_{XY} = 0, & \beta_{X^2Y^2} + \beta_{XYXY} = 0, & \beta_{Y^3} = \beta_Y + \beta_{X^2Y}, \\ 2\beta_{X^2Y} = 0, & 2\beta_{XY^3} = 0, & \beta_{X^2Y^2} = \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4}, \\ 2\beta_{XY^2} = 0, & \beta_{Y^2} = \beta_1 + \beta_{X^2}, & \beta_{XY^3} = \beta_{XY} + \beta_{X^3Y}, \\ 2\beta_{X^3Y} = 0, & \beta_{XY^2} = \beta_X + \beta_{X^3}, & \beta_{Y^4} = \beta_Y^2 + \beta_{X^2Y^2}. \end{array}$$

The solution to (6.21) is given by

$$\begin{array}{ll} \beta_X = -\beta_{X^3}, & \beta_{X^4} = \beta_1 + 2\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4}, \\ \beta_{XYXY} = -\beta_{X^4} - \beta_{X^2}, & \beta_{Y^3} = \beta_Y, \\ \beta_{XY} = \beta_{X^2Y} = \beta_{XY^2} = \beta_{X^3Y} = \beta_{XY^3} = 0, & \beta_{X^2Y^2} = \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4}, \end{array}$$

and thus \mathcal{M}_2 takes the form (6.20). \square

Proposition 6.9. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{Y}^2 - \mathbb{X}^2 = \mathbf{1}$. Then \mathcal{M}_2 is positive semidefinite if and only if*

$$0 < \beta_{X^2}, \quad |\beta_X| < \sqrt{\beta_{X^2}}, \quad |\beta_Y| < A, \quad B < \beta_{X^4},$$

where

$$A = \sqrt{\frac{\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^2}^2 - \beta_X^2 - \beta_{X^2}\beta_X^2}{\beta_{X^2}}},$$

$$B = \frac{\beta_{X^2}^3 + \beta_{X^2}^4 + \beta_X^2 - \beta_Y^2\beta_X^2 + 3\beta_{X^2}\beta_X^2 + 2\beta_{X^2}^2\beta_X^2}{\beta_{X^2} - \beta_Y^2\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^2}^2 - \beta_X^2 - \beta_{X^2}\beta_X^2}.$$

Proof. The statement is easily checked using *Mathematica*. \square

The following theorem characterizes normalized sequences β with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{Y}^2 - \mathbb{X}^2 = \mathbf{1}$, which admit a measure.

Theorem 6.10. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{Y}^2 - \mathbb{X}^2 = \mathbf{1}$. Then β admits a measure exactly in the following cases:*

- (1) \mathcal{M}_2 is positive semidefinite and $\beta_X = \beta_Y = 0$. The minimal measure is unique (up to orthogonal equivalence) and of type (2,1).
- (2) \mathcal{M}_2 is positive semidefinite and

$$(6.22) \quad \beta_X = 0, \quad 0 < |\beta_Y| < 1, \quad \beta_{X^4} \geq \frac{\beta_{X^2}^2}{1 - |\beta_Y|}.$$

Moreover, assume that (6.22) holds. The minimal measure is unique (up to orthogonal equivalence). It is of type (1,1) if and only if $\beta_{X^4} = \frac{\beta_{X^2}^2}{1 - |\beta_Y|}$. Otherwise it is of type (2,1).

Proof. First note that the pairs $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ satisfying the equations $xy + yx = 0$ and $y^2 - x^2 = 1$ are

$$(0, 1), (0, -1) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

By Lemma 2.2 these are the only pairs from \mathbb{R}^2 which can be atoms of size 1 in the measure of β .

Claim 1: β with $\beta_X = \beta_Y = 0$ and psd \mathcal{M}_2 admits a measure. Moreover, the minimal measure is unique and of type (2,1).

Using (6.10) we see that \mathcal{M}_2 is of the form

$$\mathcal{M}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 1 + \beta_{X^2} \\ 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 + \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & -\beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ 1 + \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & 1 + 2\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} \end{pmatrix}.$$

We define the matrix function

$$B(\alpha) := \mathcal{M}_2 - \alpha \left(\mathcal{M}_2^{(0,1)} + \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,-1)} \right),$$

where $\mathcal{M}_2^{(0,1)}, \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,-1)}$ are as in the proof of Theorem 6.4. We have that

$$B(\alpha) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 2\alpha & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & C(\alpha) \\ 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & C(\alpha) & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & -\beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ C(\alpha) & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & D(\alpha) \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$C(\alpha) = 1 + \beta_{X^2} - 2\alpha, \quad D(\alpha) = 1 + 2\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} - 2\alpha.$$

Let $\alpha_0 > 0$ be the smallest positive number such that the rank of $B(\alpha_0)$ is smaller than 5. Using *Mathematica* (solving $\det(B(\alpha_0)_{\{1, X, Y, X^2, XY\}}) = 0$) we get

$$\alpha_0 = \min \left(\frac{1 + \beta_{X^2}}{2}, \frac{\beta_{X^4} - \beta_{X^2}^2}{2\beta_{X^4}} \right).$$

Subclaim 1.1: $\alpha_0 = \frac{\beta_{X^4} - \beta_{X^2}^2}{2\beta_{X^4}}$.

We define

$$\Delta := \frac{1 + \beta_{X^2}}{2} - \frac{\beta_{X^4} - \beta_{X^2}^2}{2\beta_{X^4}} = \frac{\beta_{X^2}(\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4})}{2\beta_{X^4}} > 0.$$

To prove the subclaim we have to prove that $\Delta > 0$. Since \mathcal{M}_2 is psd, this is true.

The matrix $B(\alpha_0)$ is psd matrix of rank 4 and satisfies the relations

$$\mathbb{X}^2 = \frac{\beta_{X^4}}{\beta_{X^2}} \mathbf{1}, \quad \mathbb{X}Y + Y\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}, \quad Y^2 = \frac{\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4}}{\beta_{X^2}} \mathbf{1}.$$

By Theorem 3.1 it has a unique (up to orthogonal equivalence) 1-atomic measure with an atom $(X, Y) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2})^2$. Therefore \mathcal{M}_2 has a unique minimal measure of type (2,1). Indeed, minimality follows by the following facts:

- Since \mathcal{M}_2 is a nc moment matrix, there must be at least one atom of size > 1 in its representing measure.
- If there is exactly one atom of size 2 in the representing measure for \mathcal{M}_2 , then there must be at least one atom of size 1, since otherwise \mathcal{M}_2 would have rank at most 4. Since $\beta_X = \beta_Y = 0$, atoms $(0, 1)$, $(0, -1)$ occur in pairs with the same densities.

Claim 2: If β admits a measure, then it has a representing measure with the atoms of size at most 2.

Claim 2 follows by Proposition 6.1 and Theorem 6.7 (1).

Claim 3: If $\beta_X \neq 0$ or $\beta_Y \neq 0$, then β admits a measure if and only if (6.22) holds.

Let us assume that $\beta_X \neq 0$ or $\beta_Y \neq 0$ and suppose that β admits a measure. By Claim 2,

$$(6.23) \quad \mathcal{M}_2 = \sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} + \sum_j \xi_j \mathcal{M}_2^{(X_j, Y_j)}.$$

where $(x_i, y_i) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $(X_j, Y_j) \in \mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$, $\lambda_i > 0$, $\xi_j > 0$ and $\sum_i \lambda_i + \sum_j \xi_j = 1$. By Corollary 3.2,

$$(6.24) \quad \beta_X^{(j)} = \beta_Y^{(j)} = \beta_{X^3}^{(j)} = \beta_{X^2 Y}^{(j)} = \beta_{X Y^2}^{(j)} = \beta_{Y^3}^{(j)} = 0,$$

where $\beta_{w(X, Y)}^{(j)}$ are the moments of $\mathcal{M}_2^{(X_j, Y_j)}$. By the first paragraph in the proof of Theorem 6.10,

$$(6.25) \quad \sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} = \lambda_1 \mathcal{M}_2^{(0, 1)} + \lambda_2 \mathcal{M}_2^{(0, -1)},$$

where $\lambda_i \geq 0$ for $i = 1, 2$. Using (6.23), (6.24) and (6.25) we conclude that $\sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)}$ is of the form

$$(6.26) \quad \sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 & \beta_Y & 0 & 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_Y & 0 & a & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_Y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 0 & \beta_Y & 0 & 0 & 0 & a \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for some } a \geq 0,$$

where

$$\beta_Y = \lambda_1 - \lambda_2, \quad a = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2.$$

Subclaim 3.1: If β has a measure, then $\beta_X = 0$.

Combining (6.23), (6.24) and (6.26), the subclaim follows.

Subclaim 3.2: We have that $\sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} \succeq A$, where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} |\beta_Y| & 0 & \beta_Y & 0 & 0 & 0 & |\beta_Y| \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_Y & 0 & |\beta_Y| & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_Y \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ |\beta_Y| & 0 & \beta_Y & 0 & 0 & 0 & |\beta_Y| \end{pmatrix}.$$

There are the following possibilities:

(1) If $\beta_Y \geq 0$, then since

$$\lambda_1 \geq \beta_Y, \lambda_2 \geq 0, \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,1)} \succeq 0, \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,-1)} \succeq 0,$$

it follows that

$$\sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} \succeq \beta_Y \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,1)}.$$

(2) If $\beta_Y < 0$, then since

$$\lambda_2 \geq |\beta_Y|, \lambda_1 \geq 0, \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,1)} \succeq 0, \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,-1)} \succeq 0,$$

it follows that

$$\sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} \succeq |\beta_Y| \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,-1)}.$$

Combining (1) and (2) proves the subclaim.

$\mathcal{M}_2 - A$ is of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 - |\beta_Y| & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & E \\ 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & E & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & -\beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ E & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & F \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$E = 1 + \beta_{X^2} - |\beta_Y|, \quad F = E + \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4}.$$

By Subclaim 3.1, $\mathcal{M}_2 - \sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} \preceq \mathcal{M}_2 - A$. Using *Mathematica*,

$$(6.27) \quad \mathcal{M}_2 - A \succeq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad (\mathcal{M}_2 - A)_{\{1, X, Y, XY\}} \succ 0$$

(which are necessary conditions for the existence of a measure for a nc moment matrix $\mathcal{M}_2 - A$ by Proposition 2.1 and Corollary 2.3) and $\mathcal{M}_2 - A$ is psd if and only if (6.22) holds.

Claim 4: Minimal measures are as stated in the theorem.

If $\beta_X = \beta_Y = 0$, Claim 4 follows by Claim 1. Suppose $\beta_Y \neq 0$. Let A be as in the proof of Claim 3. The following statements are true:

- (1) Minimal measure is unique of type (1,1) if and only if the rank of $\mathcal{M}_2 - A \succeq 0$ is 4.
- (2) Minimal measure is unique of type (2,1) if and only if the rank of $\mathcal{M}_2 - A \succeq 0$ is 5 in which case we subtract $\alpha (\mathcal{M}_2^{(0,1)} + \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,-1)})$ with the smallest $\alpha > 0$ such that the rank falls to 4.

The rank of $\mathcal{M}_2 - A$ is 5 exactly when in addition to (6.27),

$$(\mathcal{M}_2 - A)_{\{1, X, Y, X^2, XY\}} \succ 0.$$

in addition to $\mathcal{M}_2 - A$. Using *Mathematica* we obtain exactly the statement in the theorem. \square

6.4. **Pair $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{X}^2$.** In this subsection we study a sequence β with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{Y}^2 + \mathbb{X}^2 = \mathbf{1}$. In Theorem 6.13 we characterize exactly when β admits a measure. Moreover, we classify the type and uniqueness of the minimal measure.

The form of \mathcal{M}_2 is given by the following proposition.

Proposition 6.11. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 satisfying the relations*

$$(6.28) \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{X}^2.$$

Then \mathcal{M}_2 is of the form

$$(6.29) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 & \beta_X & \beta_Y & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} \\ \beta_X & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_Y & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & -\beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta_{X^4} & \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof. The relations (6.28) give us the following system in \mathcal{M}_2

$$(6.30) \quad \begin{array}{lll} 2\beta_{XY} = 0, & \beta_{X^2Y^2} + \beta_{XYXY} = 0, & \beta_{Y^3} = \beta_{X^2Y}, \\ 2\beta_{X^2Y} = 0, & 2\beta_{XY^3} = 0, & \beta_{X^2Y^2} = \beta_{X^4}, \\ 2\beta_{XY^2} = 0, & \beta_{Y^2} = \beta_{X^2}, & \beta_{XY^3} = \beta_{X^3Y}, \\ 2\beta_{X^3Y} = 0, & \beta_{XY^2} = \beta_{X^3}, & \beta_{Y^4} = \beta_{X^2Y^2}. \end{array}$$

The solution to (6.30) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{XY} = \beta_{X^3} = \beta_{X^2Y} = \beta_{XY^2} = \beta_{Y^3} = \beta_{X^3Y} = \beta_{XY^3} = 0, \\ \beta_{Y^2} = \beta_{X^2}, \\ \beta_{XYXY} = -\beta_{X^2Y^2} = -\beta_{Y^4} = -\beta_{X^4}, \end{aligned}$$

and thus \mathcal{M}_2 takes the form (6.29). \square

Proposition 6.12. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{X}^2$. Then \mathcal{M}_2 is positive semidefinite if and only if*

$$0 < \beta_{X^2}, \quad |\beta_X| < \sqrt{\beta_{X^2}}, \quad |\beta_Y| < \sqrt{-\beta_X^2 + \beta_{X^2}}, \quad \frac{\beta_{X^2}^3}{-\beta_Y^2 - \beta_X^2 + \beta_{X^2}} < \beta_{X^4}.$$

Proof. The statement is easily checked using *Mathematica*. \square

The following theorem characterizes normalized sequences β with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{X}^2 = \mathbb{Y}^2$, which admit a measure.

Theorem 6.13. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 5 satisfying the relations $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbb{X}^2 = \mathbb{Y}^2$. Then β admits a measure if and only if \mathcal{M}_2 is positive semidefinite and $\beta_X = \beta_Y = 0$. The minimal measure is unique (up to orthogonal equivalence) and of type (1,1).*

Proof. First note that the only pair $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ satisfying the equations $xy + yx = 0$ and $y^2 = x^2$ is

$$(0, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

By Lemma 2.2 this is the only pair from \mathbb{R}^2 which can be an atom of size 1 in the measure of β . We have

$$(6.31) \quad \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,0)} = (1) \oplus \mathbf{0}_6,$$

where $\mathbf{0}_6$ stands for the 6×6 matrix with only zero entries.

Claim 1: If $\beta_X = \beta_Y = 0$, then β admits a measure. Moreover, the minimal measure is unique (up to orthogonal equivalence) and of type (1,1).

Using (6.29) we see that \mathcal{M}_2 is of the form

$$\mathcal{M}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} \\ 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & -\beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta_{X^4} & \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} \end{pmatrix}.$$

We define the matrix function

$$B(\alpha) := \mathcal{M}_2 - \alpha \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,0)}.$$

We have that

$$B(\alpha) = \begin{pmatrix} 1-\alpha & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} \\ 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & -\beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta_{X^4} & \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let $\alpha_0 > 0$ be the smallest positive number such that the rank of $B(\alpha_0)$ is smaller than 5. Using *Mathematica* (solving $\det(B(\alpha)_{\{\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}^2, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}\}}) = 0$) we get

$$\alpha_0 = \frac{\beta_{X^4} - \beta_{X^2}^2}{\beta_{X^4}}.$$

The matrix $B(\alpha_0)$ is psd matrix of rank 4 and satisfies the relations

$$\mathbb{X}^2 = \frac{\beta_{X^4}}{\beta_{X^2}} \mathbb{1}, \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \frac{\beta_{X^4}}{\beta_{X^2}} \mathbb{1}.$$

By Theorem 3.1 it has a unique (up to orthogonal equivalence) 1-atomic measure with an atom $(X, Y) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2})^2$. Therefore \mathcal{M}_2 has a unique minimal measure of type (1,1). Indeed, minimality follows by the following facts:

- Since \mathcal{M}_2 is a nc moment matrix, there must be at least one atom of size > 1 in its representing measure.
- If there is exactly one atom of size 2 in the representing measure for \mathcal{M}_2 , then there must be at least one atom of size 1, since otherwise \mathcal{M}_2 would have rank at most 4.

Claim 2: If $\beta_X \neq 0$ or $\beta_Y \neq 0$, then β does not admit a measure.

Subclaim 2.1: If β admits a measure, then it has a representing measure with the atoms of size at most 2.

Subclaim 2.1 follows by Proposition 6.1 and Claim 1.

Suppose that β admits a measure and $\beta_X \neq 0$ or $\beta_Y \neq 0$. By Subclaim 2.1,

$$(6.32) \quad \mathcal{M}_2 = \sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} + \sum_j \xi_j \mathcal{M}_2^{(X_j, Y_j)}.$$

where $(x_i, y_i) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $(X_j, Y_j) \in \mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$, $\lambda_i > 0$, $\xi_j > 0$ and $\sum_i \lambda_i + \sum_j \xi_j = 1$. By Corollary 3.2,

$$(6.33) \quad \beta_X^{(j)} = \beta_Y^{(j)} = \beta_{X^3}^{(j)} = \beta_{X^2 Y}^{(j)} = \beta_{X Y^2}^{(j)} = \beta_{Y^3}^{(j)} = 0,$$

where $\beta_w^{(j)}$ are the moments of $\mathcal{M}_2^{(X_j, Y_j)}$. By the first paragraph in the proof of Theorem 6.13,

$$(6.34) \quad \sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} = \lambda \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,0)},$$

where $\lambda > 0$. Using (6.32), (6.33) and (6.34) it follows that

$$0 = \sum_j \beta_X^{(j)} = \beta_X \quad \text{and} \quad 0 = \sum_j \beta_Y^{(j)} = \beta_Y.$$

This is a contradiction with the assumption $\beta_X \neq 0$ or $\beta_Y \neq 0$, which proves Claim 2. \square

7. BQTMP WITH \mathcal{M}_2 IN THE BASIC CASES 1 AND 2 OF RANK 6

In this section we solve the BQTMP for \mathcal{M}_2 in the basic cases 1 and 2 of rank 6 given by Proposition 4.1. In Subsections 7.1 and 7.2 we study each case separately. We characterize when \mathcal{M}_2 admits a measure, see Theorems 7.5 and 7.8. Corollaries 7.6 and 7.9 translate the existence of a measure into the feasibility problem of three linear matrix inequalities and a rank-to-variety condition from Theorem 2.7.

The following proposition states that if β has a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 in the basic cases 1, 2 or 3 given by Proposition 4.1 (2) and β admits a measure, then it has a representing measure with the atoms of size at most 2.

Proposition 7.1. *Let us fix a basic case relation 1, 2 or 3 given by Proposition 4.1 (2) and denote it by R . If a sequence β with a moment matrix $\mathcal{M}_2(\beta)$ of rank 6 satisfying R admits a measure, then it admits a measure with atoms of size at most 2.*

Proof. Suppose β has a moment matrix $\mathcal{M}_2(\beta)$ of rank 6 satisfying R and admits a measure. By Proposition 5.1 we may assume that all the atoms $(X_i, Y_i) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{u_i \times u_i})^2$ of size $u_i > 1$ are of the form

$$X_i = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_i I_{t_i} & B_i \\ B_i^t & -\gamma_i I_{t_i} \end{pmatrix}, \quad Y_i = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_i I_{t_i} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\mu_i I_{t_i} \end{pmatrix},$$

where $\gamma_i > 0$, $\mu_i > 0$ and B_i are $t_i \times t_i$ matrices. Calculating Y_i^2 we get

$$(7.1) \quad Y_i^2 = \mu_i^2 I_{2t_i}.$$

Therefore $\mathcal{M}_2^{(X_i, Y_i)}$ satisfies the relations R and (7.1) and hence it is of rank at most 5. By the results from Sections 3 and 6 it can be represented by the atoms of size at most 2. \square

The following two propositions say more about the minimal measure.

Proposition 7.2. *Let us fix a basic case relation 1, 2 or 3 given by Proposition 4.1 (2) and denote it by R . If a sequence β with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 satisfying R admits a measure of type $(k, 1)$, then*

- (1) $2 \leq k \leq 5$ if R is equal to $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} - \mathbb{X}^2$ or $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} + \mathbb{X}^2$.
- (2) $2 \leq k \leq 6$ if R is equal to $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$.

Proof. By assumption,

$$\mathcal{M}_2 = \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} + \xi \mathcal{M}_2^{(X, Y)},$$

where $(x_i, y_i) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $(X, Y) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2})^2$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $\lambda_i > 0$, $\xi > 0$ and $\sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i + \xi = 1$. Equivalently

$$\mathcal{M}_2 - \xi \mathcal{M}_2^{(X, Y)} = \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)}.$$

Since $\sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)}$ is a cm moment matrix of rank at most 6 satisfying the relation R , then by Theorem 2.7

- (1) $2 \leq k \leq 5$ if R is equal to $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} - \mathbb{X}^2$ or $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} + \mathbb{X}^2$,
- (2) $2 \leq k \leq 6$ if R is equal to $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$,

which proves Proposition 7.2. \square

Proposition 7.3. *Let us fix a basic case relation 1 or 2 given by Proposition 4.1 (2) and denote it by R . If every sequence β with $\beta_X = \beta_Y = \beta_{X^3} = \beta_{X^2 Y} = \beta_Y^3 = 0$ and a moment matrix $\mathcal{M}_2(\beta)$ of rank 6 with column relation R , admits a measure with exactly one atom of size 2 and some atoms of size 1, then every sequence $\tilde{\beta}$ which admits a measure and has a moment matrix $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_2$ of rank 6 with the scolumn relation R , admits a measure with exactly one atom of size 2 and some atoms of size 1.*

Proof. Suppose $\tilde{\beta}$ admits a measure and has a moment matrix $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_2$ of rank 6 with column relation R . By Proposition 5.1 we may assume that all the atoms $(X_i, Y_i) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{u_i \times u_i})^2$ of size $u_i > 1$ are of the form

$$X_i = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_i I_{t_i} & B_i \\ B_i^t & -\gamma_i I_{t_i} \end{pmatrix}, \quad Y_i = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_i I_{t_i} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\mu_i I_{t_i} \end{pmatrix},$$

where $\gamma_i \geq 0$, $\mu_i > 0$ and B_i are $t_i \times t_i$ matrices. Calculating X_i^3 , $X_i^2 Y_i$ and Y_i^3 we get

$$\begin{aligned} X_i^3 &= \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_i(\gamma_i^2 I_{t_i} + B_i B_i^t) & (\gamma_i^2 I_{t_i} + B_i B_i^t) B_i \\ (\gamma_i^2 I_{t_i} + B_i^t B_i) B_i^t & -\gamma_i(\gamma_i^2 I_{t_i} + B_i^t B_i) \end{pmatrix}, \\ X_i^2 Y_i &= \begin{pmatrix} \mu_i(\gamma_i^2 I_{t_i} + B_i B_i^t) & 0 \\ 0 & -\mu_i(\gamma_i^2 I_{t_i} + B_i^t B_i) \end{pmatrix}, \\ Y_i^3 &= \begin{pmatrix} \mu_i^3 I_{t_i} & 0 \\ 0 & -\mu_i^3 I_{t_i} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\sum_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(X_i, Y_i)}$ satisfies $\beta_X = \beta_Y = \beta_{X^3} = \beta_{X^2 Y} = \beta_{Y^3} = 0$. If the rank of $\sum_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(X_i, Y_i)}$ is at most 5, then $\sum_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(X_i, Y_i)}$ can be represented by exactly one atom of size 2 and some atoms of size 1 by the results of previous sections. Else the rank of $\sum_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(X_i, Y_i)}$ is 6 and the same conclusion follows by assumption. \square

7.1. Relation $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} - \mathbb{X}^2$. In this subsection we study a sequence β with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying the relation $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} - \mathbb{X}^2$. In Theorem 7.5 we characterize when β admits a measure. In Corollary 7.6 we show that the existence of a measure is equivalent to the feasibility problem of three linear matrix inequalities (LMIs) and rank-to-cardinality condition from Theorem 2.7.

The form of \mathcal{M}_2 is given by the following proposition.

Proposition 7.4. *Let $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ be a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 satisfying the relation*

$$(7.2) \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} - \mathbb{X}^2.$$

Then \mathcal{M}_2 is of the form

$$(7.3) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 & \beta_X & \beta_Y & \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{XY} & \beta_{XY} & \beta_1 - \beta_{X^2} \\ \beta_X & \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{XY} & \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^2 Y} & \beta_{X^2 Y} & \beta_X - \beta_{X^3} \\ \beta_Y & \beta_{XY} & \beta_1 - \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{X^2 Y} & \beta_X - \beta_{X^3} & \beta_X - \beta_{X^3} & \beta_Y - \beta_{X^2 Y} \\ \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^2 Y} & \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{X^3 Y} & \beta_{X^3 Y} & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} \\ \beta_{XY} & \beta_{X^2 Y} & \beta_X - \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^3 Y} & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{XY X Y} & \beta_{XY} - \beta_{X^3 Y} \\ \beta_{XY} & \beta_{X^2 Y} & \beta_X - \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^3 Y} & \beta_{XY X Y} & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{XY} - \beta_{X^3 Y} \\ \beta_1 - \beta_{X^2} & \beta_X - \beta_{X^3} & \beta_Y - \beta_{X^2 Y} & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{XY} - \beta_{X^3 Y} & \beta_{XY} - \beta_{X^3 Y} & \beta_1 - 2\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof. The relation (7.2) gives us the following system in \mathcal{M}_2

$$(7.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \beta_{Y^2} &= \beta_1 - \beta_{X^2}, & \beta_{X^2 Y^2} &= \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4}, \\ \beta_{XY^2} &= \beta_X - \beta_{X^3}, & \beta_{XY^3} &= \beta_{XY} - \beta_{X^3 Y}, \\ \beta_{Y^3} &= \beta_Y - \beta_{X^2 Y}, & \beta_{Y^4} &= \beta_{Y^2} - \beta_{X^2 Y^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Plugging in the expressions for β_{Y^2} and $\beta_{X^2 Y^2}$ in the expression for β_{Y^4} gives the form (7.3) of \mathcal{M}_2 . \square

The following theorem characterizes normalized sequences β with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying the relation $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} - \mathbb{X}^2$, which admit a measure.

Theorem 7.5. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a normalized sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying the relation $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} - \mathbb{X}^2$. Then β admits a measure if and only if \mathcal{M}_2 is positive semidefinite and one of the following is true:*

- (1) $\beta_X = \beta_Y = \beta_{X^3} = \beta_{X^2 Y} = 0$. Moreover, there exists a measure of type (4,1).
- (2) There exist

$$a_1 \in (0, 1), \quad a_2 \in \left(-2\sqrt{a_1(1-a_1)}, 2\sqrt{a_1(1-a_1)}\right)$$

such that

$$M := \mathcal{M}_2 - \xi \mathcal{M}_2^{(X, Y)}$$

is a positive semidefinite cm moment matrix satisfying $\text{rank } M \leq \text{card } \mathcal{V}_M$, where \mathcal{V}_M is the variety associated to M (as in Theorem 2.7),

$$(7.5) \quad X = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{a_1} & 0 \\ 0 & -\sqrt{a_1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad Y = \sqrt{(1-a_1)} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{a_2}{2} & \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4-a_2^2} \\ \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4-a_2^2} & -\frac{a_2}{2} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$a = \frac{a_2}{\sqrt{a_1(1-a_1)}},$$

and $\xi > 0$ is the smallest positive number such that the rank of $\mathcal{M}_2 - \xi \mathcal{M}_2^{(X, Y)}$ is smaller than the rank of \mathcal{M}_2 .

Proof. First we will prove (1). \mathcal{M}_2 is of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{XY} & \beta_{XY} & 1 - \beta_{X^2} \\ 0 & \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{XY} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta_{XY} & 1 - \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} \\ \beta_{XY} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{XYXY} & \beta_{XY} - \beta_{X^3Y} \\ \beta_{XY} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{XYXY} & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{XY} - \beta_{X^3Y} \\ 1 - \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{XY} - \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{XY} - \beta_{X^3Y} & 1 - 2\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} \end{pmatrix}.$$

We define the matrix function

$$B(\alpha) := \mathcal{M}_2 - \alpha(\mathcal{M}_2^{(1,0)} + \mathcal{M}_2^{(-1,0)}).$$

We have that

$$B(\alpha) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 2\alpha & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} - 2\alpha & \beta_{XY} & \beta_{XY} & D \\ 0 & \beta_{X^2} - \alpha & \beta_{XY} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta_{XY} & D & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} - 2\alpha & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} - 2\alpha & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^3Y} & C \\ \beta_{XY} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^3Y} & E & E & \beta_{XY} - \beta_{X^3Y} \\ \beta_{XY} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^3Y} & E & C & \beta_{XY} - \beta_{X^3Y} \\ D & 0 & 0 & C & \beta_{XY} - \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{XY} - \beta_{X^3Y} & D - C \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$C = \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4}, \quad D = 1 - \beta_{X^2}, \quad E = \beta_{XYXY}.$$

Let $\alpha_0 > 0$ be the smallest positive number such that the rank of $B(\alpha_0)$ is smaller than 6. Using *Mathematica* and calculating α_0 such that $\det(B(\alpha_0)_{\{1, X, Y, X^2, XY, YX\}}) = 0$ we get

$$\alpha_0 = \min\left(\alpha_1, \frac{F}{2G}\right),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 &= \frac{\beta_{XY}^2 - \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^2}^2}{2(-1 + \beta_{X^2})}, \\ F &= \beta_{XYXY}(\beta_{X^2}^2 - \beta_{X^4}) + \beta_{X^2}(\beta_{X^2}^2 - 4\beta_{XY}\beta_{X^3Y} - \beta_{X^4}(1 + \beta_{X^2})) + 2\beta_{X^3Y}^2 \\ &\quad + \beta_{X^4}(\beta_{X^4} + 2\beta_{XY}^2), \\ G &= 2\beta_{XY}(\beta_{XY} - 2\beta_{X^3Y}) + \beta_{XYXY}(2\beta_{X^2} - 1 - \beta_{X^4}) + \beta_{X^2}(2\beta_{X^2} - 1 - 3\beta_{X^4}) \\ &\quad + 2\beta_{X^3Y}^2 + \beta_{X^4}(1 + \beta_{X^4}). \end{aligned}$$

Claim 1: $\alpha_0 = \frac{F}{2G} < \alpha_1$.

Using *Mathematica* and calculating $\alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4$ such that

$$\det(B(\alpha_2)_{\{1, X^2\}}) = 0, \quad \det(B(\alpha_3)_{\{1, XY\}}) = 0, \quad \det(B(\alpha_4)_{\{1, XY, YX\}}) = 0$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_2 &= \frac{\beta_{X^2}^2 - \beta_{X^4}}{2(-1 + 2\beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4})}, \quad \alpha_3 = \frac{-\beta_{XY}^2 + \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4}}{2(\beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4})}, \\ \alpha_4 &= \frac{-2\beta_{XY}^2 + \beta_{XYXY} + \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4}}{2(\beta_{XYXY} + \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4})}. \end{aligned}$$

If $\alpha_1 \leq \frac{F}{2G}$, then since $B(\alpha_1) \succeq 0$, it follows that $\alpha_1 \leq \min(\alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4)$. Using *Mathematica*, the system

$$(7.6) \quad \alpha_1 \leq \min(\alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4), \quad \det(\mathcal{M}_{2\{Y\}}) > 0, \quad \det(\mathcal{M}_{2\{XY\}}) > 0,$$

$$(7.7) \quad \det(\mathcal{M}_{2\{X, Y\}}) > 0, \quad \det(\mathcal{M}_{2\{1, X^2\}}) > 0, \quad \det(\mathcal{M}_{2\{1, XY, YX\}}) > 0,$$

does not have solutions. Hence $\alpha_0 = \frac{F}{2G} < \alpha_1$.

Using *Mathematica* to calculate the kernel of $B(\frac{F}{2G})$ we conclude that $B(\frac{F}{2G})$ satisfies the relations

$$XY + YX = a\mathbb{1} + dX^2, \quad Y^2 + X^2 = \mathbb{1}$$

for some $a, d \in \mathbb{R}$. We also have

$$\beta_X^{(B)} = \beta_Y^{(B)} = \beta_{X^3}^{(B)} = \beta_{X^2Y}^{(B)} = \beta_{XY^2}^{(B)} = \beta_{Y^3}^{(B)} = 0,$$

where $\beta_{w(X,Y)}^{(B)}$ are the moments of $B(\frac{F}{2G})$. This is a special case in the proof of Proposition 4.1, i.e., Case 2.2. Following the proof we see that after using only transformations of type

$$(x, y) \mapsto (\alpha_1x + \beta_1y, \alpha_2x + \beta_2y)$$

for some $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta_1, \beta_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, we come into the basic case 1 or 2 of rank 5 with $\tilde{\beta}_X = \tilde{\beta}_Y = \tilde{\beta}_{X^3} = 0$. But every such sequence admits a measure of type (2,1) by Theorems 6.4 and 6.7. Hence β admits a measure of type (4, 1).

It remains to prove (2). Suppose that β admits a measure. By Proposition 7.3 and Theorem 7.5 (1),

$$(7.8) \quad \mathcal{M}_2 = \sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}^{(x_i, y_i)}(2) + \xi \mathcal{M}^{(X, Y)}(2),$$

where $(x_i, y_i) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $(X, Y) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2})^2$, $\lambda_i > 0$, $\xi > 0$ and $\sum_i \lambda_i + \xi = 1$. Therefore

$$\mathcal{M}_2 - \xi \mathcal{M}_2^{(X, Y)}$$

is a cm moment matrix satisfying the relations

$$\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} - \mathbb{X}^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} = \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}.$$

By Theorem 2.7, M admits a measure if and only if M is psd and satisfies $\text{rank } M \leq \text{card } \mathcal{V}_M$. To conclude the proof it only remains to prove that X, Y are of the form (7.5). $\mathcal{M}_2^{(X, Y)}$ is a nc moment matrix rank 4. Therefore the columns $\{\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}\}$ are linearly independent and hence

$$\mathbb{X}^2 = a_1\mathbb{1} + b_1\mathbb{X} + c_1\mathbb{Y} + d_1\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = a_3\mathbb{1} + b_3\mathbb{X} + c_3\mathbb{Y} + d_3\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y},$$

where $a_j, b_j, c_j, d_j \in \mathbb{R}$ for $j = 1, 3$. By Theorem 3.1 (1), $d_1 = d_3 = 0$. By Theorem 3.1 (3), $c_1 = b_3 = 0$. Since $\mathbb{X}^2 + \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1}$ it follows that $b_1 = c_3 = 0$ and $a_3 = 1 - a_1$. By Theorem 3.1 (4), X and Y are of the form (7.5). \square

The following theorem translates the BQTMP for β with \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} - \mathbb{X}^2$ into the feasibility problem of some LMIs and a rank-to-cardinality condition from Theorem 2.7.

Corollary 7.6. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a normalized sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying the relation $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} - \mathbb{X}^2$. Let $L(a, b, c, d, e)$ be the following linear matrix polynomial*

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & \beta_X & \beta_Y & b & c & c & a-b \\ \beta_X & b & c & \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X - \beta_{X^3} \\ \beta_Y & c & a-b & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X - \beta_{X^3} & \beta_X - \beta_{X^3} & \beta_Y - \beta_{X^2Y} \\ b & \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^2Y} & d & e & e & b-d \\ c & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X - \beta_{X^3} & e & b-d & b-d & c-e \\ c & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X - \beta_{X^3} & e & b-d & b-d & c-e \\ a-b & \beta_X - \beta_{X^3} & \beta_Y - \beta_{X^2Y} & b-d & c-e & c-e & a-2b+d \end{pmatrix},$$

where $a, b, c, d, e \in \mathbb{R}$. Then β admits a measure if and only if there exist $a, b, c, d, e \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

- (1) $L(a, b, c, d, e) \succeq 0$,
- (2) $\mathcal{M}_2 - L(a, b, c, d, e) \succeq 0$,
- (3) $(\mathcal{M}_2 - L(a, b, c, d, e))_{\{\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}\}} \succ 0$,
- (4) $\text{rank}(L(a, b, c, d, e)) \leq \text{card } \mathcal{V}_L$, where \mathcal{V}_L is the variety associated to the moment matrix $L(a, b, c, d, e)$ (see Theorem 2.7).

Proof. By Theorem 7.5, β admits a measure if and only if

$$(7.9) \quad \mathcal{M}_2 = \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} + \xi \mathcal{M}_2^{(X, Y)},$$

where $(x_i, y_i) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $(X, Y) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2})^2$, $\lambda_i > 0$, $\xi > 0$ and $\sum_i \lambda_i + \xi = 1$. By Corollary 3.2,

$$(7.10) \quad \beta_X^{(X, Y)} = \beta_Y^{(X, Y)} = \beta_{X^3}^{(X, Y)} = \beta_{X^2Y}^{(X, Y)} = \beta_{XY^2}^{(X, Y)} = \beta_{Y^3}^{(X, Y)} = 0,$$

where $\beta_w^{(X,Y)}$ are the moments of $\mathcal{M}_2^{(X,Y)}$. Using (7.9) and (7.10), we conclude that $\sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)}$ and $\xi \mathcal{M}_2^{(X,Y)}$ are of the forms

$$(7.11) \quad \begin{pmatrix} a & \beta_X & \beta_Y & b & c & c & a-b \\ \beta_X & b & c & \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X - \beta_{X^3} \\ \beta_Y & c & a-b & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X - \beta_{X^3} & \beta_X - \beta_{X^3} & \beta_Y - \beta_{X^2Y} \\ b & \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^2Y} & d & e & e & b-d \\ c & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X - \beta_{X^3} & e & b-d & b-d & c-e \\ c & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X - \beta_{X^3} & e & b-d & b-d & c-e \\ a-b & \beta_X - \beta_{X^3} & \beta_Y - \beta_{X^2Y} & b-d & c-e & c-e & a-2b+d \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(7.12) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1-a & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} - b & A_1(c) & A_1(c) & A_2(a, b) \\ 0 & \beta_{X^2} - b & A_1(c) & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & A_1(c) & A_2(a, b) & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} - b & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} - d & A_3(e) & A_3(e) & A_4(b, d) \\ A_1(c) & 0 & 0 & A_3(e) & A_4(b, d) & \beta_{XYXY} - (b-d) & A_5(c, e) \\ A_1(c) & 0 & 0 & A_3(e) & \beta_{XYXY} - (b-d) & A_4(b, d) & A_5(c, e) \\ A_2(a, b) & 0 & 0 & A_4(b, d) & A_5(c, e) & A_5(c, e) & A_6(a, b, d) \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$A_1(c) = \beta_{XY} - c, \quad A_2(a, b) = 1 - \beta_{X^2} - (a - b),$$

$$A_3(e) = \beta_{X^3Y} - e, \quad A_4(b, d) = \beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4} - (b - d),$$

$$A_5(c, e) = \beta_{XY} - \beta_{X^3Y} - (c - e), \quad A_6(a, b, d) = 1 - 2\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} - (a - 2b + d),$$

for some $a, b, c, d, e \in \mathbb{R}$. Notice that the matrix (7.11) equals to $L(a, b, c, d, e)$ and the matrix (7.12) to $\mathcal{M}_2 - L(a, b, c, d, e)$. Since $L(a, b, c, d, e)$ is a cm moment matrix, it admits a measure by Theorem 2.7 if and only if (1) and (4) of Theorem 7.6 are true. Since $\mathcal{M}_2 - L(a, b, c, d, e)$ is a nc moment matrix satisfying $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} - \mathbb{X}^2$ and $\tilde{\beta}_X = \tilde{\beta}_Y = \tilde{\beta}_{X^3} = \tilde{\beta}_{X^2Y} = \tilde{\beta}_{XY^2} = \tilde{\beta}_{Y^3} = 0$, it admits a measure by the results of rank 4 and 5 cases and Theorem 7.5 (1) if and only if (2) and (3) of Theorem 7.6 are true. \square

7.2. Relation $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$. In this subsection we study a sequence $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying the relation $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$. In Theorem 7.8 we characterize when β admits a measure. In Corollary 7.9 we show that the existence of a measure is equivalent to the feasibility problem of three LMIs and a rank-to-variety condition from Theorem 2.7.

The form of \mathcal{M}_2 is given by the following proposition.

Proposition 7.7. *Let $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ be a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying the relation*

$$(7.13) \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$$

Then \mathcal{M}_2 is of the form

$$(7.14) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 & \beta_X & \beta_Y & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{Y^2} \\ \beta_X & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & \beta_{X^3} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_Y & 0 & \beta_{Y^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{Y^3} \\ \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{X^3} & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2Y^2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2Y^2} & -\beta_{X^2Y^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta_{X^2Y^2} & \beta_{X^2Y^2} & 0 \\ \beta_{Y^2} & 0 & \beta_{Y^3} & \beta_{X^2Y^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{Y^4} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof. The relation (7.13) gives us the following system in \mathcal{M}_2

$$(7.15) \quad \begin{aligned} 2\beta_{XY} &= 0, & 2\beta_{X^3Y} &= 0, \\ 2\beta_{X^2Y} &= 0, & \beta_{X^2Y^2} + \beta_{XYXY} &= \beta_{XY}, \\ 2\beta_{XY^2} &= 0, & 2\beta_{XY^3} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the solution of the system (7.15) is given by the statement of the proposition. \square

The following theorem characterizes normalized sequences β with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$, which admit a measure.

Theorem 7.8. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a normalized sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying the relation $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$. Then β admits a measure if and only if \mathcal{M}_2 is positive semidefinite and one of the following is true:*

- (1) $\beta_X = \beta_Y = \beta_{X^3} = \beta_{Y^3} = 0$. There exists a measure of type (2,1) or (3,1).

(2) *There exist*

$$a_1 > 0, \quad a_3 > 0,$$

such that

$$M := \mathcal{M}_2 - \xi \mathcal{M}_2^{(X,Y)}$$

is a positive semidefinite cm moment matrix satisfying $\text{rank } M \leq \text{card } \mathcal{V}_M$, where \mathcal{V}_M is the variety associated to M (as in Theorem 2.7),

$$(7.16) \quad X = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{a_1} & 0 \\ 0 & -\sqrt{a_1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad Y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{a_3} \\ \sqrt{a_3} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and $\xi > 0$ is the smallest positive number such that rank of $\mathcal{M}_2 - \xi \mathcal{M}_2^{(X,Y)}$ is smaller than the rank of \mathcal{M}_2 .

Proof. First we will prove (1). \mathcal{M}_2 is of the form

$$\mathcal{M}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{Y^2} \\ 0 & \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \beta_{Y^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2Y^2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2Y^2} & -\beta_{X^2Y^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta_{X^2Y^2} & \beta_{X^2Y^2} & 0 \\ \beta_{Y^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2Y^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{Y^4} \end{pmatrix}.$$

We define the matrix function

$$B(\alpha) := \mathcal{M}_2 - \alpha \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,0)}.$$

Let $\alpha_0 > 0$ be the smallest positive number such that the rank of $B(\alpha_0)$ is smaller than 6. Using *Mathematica* and calculating α_0 such that $\det(B(\alpha_0)_{\{\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}^2, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}^2\}}) = 0$ we get

$$\alpha_0 = \frac{\beta_{Y^4} \beta_{X^2}^2 - 2\beta_{Y^2} \beta_{X^2} \beta_{X^2Y^2} + \beta_{X^2Y^2} + \beta_{Y^2}^2 \beta_{X^4} - \beta_{X^4} \beta_{Y^4}}{\beta_{X^2Y^2}^2 - \beta_{X^4} \beta_{Y^4}}.$$

Using *Mathematica* to calculate the kernel of $B(\alpha_0)$ we get that $B(\alpha_0)$ satisfies the relations

$$\mathbb{Y}^2 = \frac{\beta_{X^4} \beta_{Y^4} - \beta_{X^2Y^2}^2}{\beta_{Y^2} \beta_{X^4} - \beta_{X^2} \beta_{X^2Y^2}} \mathbb{1} + \frac{\beta_{Y^2} \beta_{X^2Y^2} - \beta_{Y^4} \beta_{X^2}}{\beta_{Y^2} \beta_{X^4} - \beta_{X^2} \beta_{X^2Y^2}} \mathbb{X}^2, \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}.$$

It also satisfies

$$\beta_X^{(B)} = \beta_Y^{(B)} = \beta_{XY}^{(B)} = \beta_{X^3}^{(B)} = \beta_{X^2Y}^{(B)} = \beta_{XY^2}^{(B)} = \beta_{Y^3}^{(B)} = 0,$$

where $\beta_{w(X,Y)}^{(B)}$ are the moments of $B(\alpha_0)$. This is a special case in the proof of Proposition 4.1 (1), i.e., Case 2.3. Following the proof we see that after using only transformations of type

$$(x, y) \mapsto (\alpha_1 x + \beta_1 y, \alpha_2 x + \beta_2 y)$$

for some $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta_1, \beta_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, we come into one of the basic pairs 1 or 4 of rank 5 with $\tilde{\beta}_X = \tilde{\beta}_Y = \tilde{\beta}_{X^3} = 0$. But every such moment matrix admits a measure of type (1,1) or (2,1) by Theorems 6.4 and 6.13. Hence \mathcal{M}_2 admits a measure of type (2,1) or (3,1).

It remains to prove (2). Suppose that β admits a measure. By Propositions 7.3 and Theorem 7.8 (1),

$$\mathcal{M}_2 = \sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} + \xi \mathcal{M}_2^{(X,Y)},$$

where $(x_i, y_i) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $(X, Y) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2})^2$, $\lambda_i > 0$, $\xi > 0$ and $\sum_i \lambda_i + \xi = 1$. Therefore

$$M := \mathcal{M}_2 - \xi \mathcal{M}_2^{(X,Y)}$$

is a cm moment matrix satisfying the relations

$$\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} = \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}.$$

By Theorem 2.7, M admits a measure if and only if M is psd and satisfies $\text{rank } M \leq \text{card } \mathcal{V}_M$. To conclude the proof it only remains to prove that X, Y are of the form (7.16). $\mathcal{M}_2^{(X,Y)}$ is a nc moment matrix of rank 4. Therefore the columns $\{\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}\}$ are linearly independent and hence

$$\mathbb{X}^2 = a_1 \mathbb{1} + b_1 \mathbb{X} + c_1 \mathbb{Y} + d_1 \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = a_3 \mathbb{1} + b_3 \mathbb{X} + c_3 \mathbb{Y} + d_3 \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}.$$

where $a_j, b_j, c_j, d_j \in \mathbb{R}$ for $j = 1, 2, 3$. By Theorem 3.1 (1), $d_1 = d_3 = 0$. By Theorem 3.1 (3), $c_1 = b_3 = 0$. Since $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ it follows that $b_1 = c_3 = 0$. By Theorem 3.1 (4), X and Y are of the form (7.16). \square

The following corollary translates the BQTMP for β with \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$ into the feasibility problem of some LMIs and a rank-to-variety condition from Theorem 2.7.

Corollary 7.9. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a normalized sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying the relation $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$. Let us define a linear matrix polynomial*

$$L(a, b, c, d, e) = \begin{pmatrix} a & \beta_X & \beta_Y & b & 0 & 0 & c \\ \beta_X & b & 0 & \beta_{X^3} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_Y & 0 & c & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{Y^3} \\ b & \beta_{X^3} & 0 & d & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ c & 0 & \beta_{Y^3} & 0 & 0 & 0 & e \end{pmatrix},$$

where $a, b, c, d, e \in \mathbb{R}$. Then β admits a measure if and only there exist

$$(7.17) \quad a \in (0, 1), \quad b \in (0, \beta_{X^2}), \quad c \in (0, \beta_{Y^2}), \quad d \in (0, \beta_{X^4}), \quad e \in (0, \beta_{Y^4}),$$

such that

- (1) $L(a, b, c, d, e) \succeq 0$,
- (2) $\mathcal{M}_2 - L(a, b, c, d, e) \succeq 0$,
- (3) $\text{rank}(L(a, b, c, d, e)) \leq \text{card } \mathcal{V}_L$, where \mathcal{V}_L is the variety associated to the moment matrix $L(a, b, c, d, e)$ (see Theorem 2.7).

Proof. By Theorem 7.8, β admits a measure if and only if

$$(7.18) \quad \mathcal{M}_2 = \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)} + \xi \mathcal{M}_2^{(X, Y)},$$

where $(x_i, y_i) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $(X, Y) \in (\mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2})^2$, $\lambda_i > 0$, $\xi > 0$ and $\sum_i \lambda_i + \xi = 1$. By Corollary 3.2,

$$(7.19) \quad \beta_X^{(X, Y)} = \beta_Y^{(X, Y)} = \beta_{X^3}^{(X, Y)} = \beta_{X^2 Y}^{(X, Y)} = \beta_{X Y^2}^{(X, Y)} = \beta_{Y^3}^{(X, Y)} = 0,$$

where $\beta_{w(X, Y)}^{(X, Y)}$ are the moments of $\mathcal{M}_2^{(X, Y)}$. Since $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$, we also have $\beta_{XY}^{(X, Y)} = 0$. Using (7.18) and (7.19), we conclude that $\sum_i \lambda_i \mathcal{M}_2^{(x_i, y_i)}$ and $\xi \mathcal{M}_2^{(X, Y)}$ are of the forms

$$(7.20) \quad \begin{pmatrix} a & \beta_X & \beta_Y & b & 0 & 0 & c \\ \beta_X & b & 0 & \beta_{X^3} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_Y & 0 & c & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{Y^3} \\ b & \beta_{X^3} & 0 & d & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ c & 0 & \beta_{Y^3} & 0 & 0 & 0 & e \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(7.21) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1-a & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2} - b & 0 & 0 & \beta_{Y^2} - c \\ 0 & \beta_{X^2} - b & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \beta_{Y^2} - c & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^2} - b & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} - d & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2 Y^2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2 Y^2} & -\beta_{X^2 Y^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\beta_{X^2 Y^2} & \beta_{X^2 Y^2} & 0 \\ \beta_{Y^2} - c & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^2 Y^2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{Y^4} - e \end{pmatrix},$$

for some $a, b, c, d, e \in \mathbb{R}$. Notice that the matrix (7.20) is $L(a, b, c, d, e)$ and the matrix (7.21) is $\mathcal{M}_2 - L(a, b, c, d, e)$. Since $L(a, b, c, d, e)$ is a cm moment matrix, it admits a measure by Theorem 2.7 if and only if (1) and (3) of Corollary 7.9 are true. Since $\mathcal{M}_2 - L(a, b, c, d, e)$ is a nc moment matrix satisfying

$$\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\beta}_X = \tilde{\beta}_Y = \tilde{\beta}_{X^3} = \tilde{\beta}_{Y^3} = 0,$$

it admits a measure by the results of rank 4 and 5 cases and Theorem 7.8 (1) if and only if (2) of Corollary 7.9 is true. \square

8. FLAT EXTENSIONS FOR THE BQTMP FOR \mathcal{M}_2 OF RANK 6

In this section we characterize when a sequence $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying one of the basic relations of Proposition 4.1 (2), admits a flat extension to a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_3 . Note that this is a sufficient (by Theorem 2.5) but not necessary condition for the existence of a measure. We demonstrate with examples that the gap between sequences admitting a measure and flat extension is big.

8.1. Preliminaries. In this subsection we introduce some preliminaries needed in solving the flat extension question. First we establish the form of an extension \mathcal{M} of a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 to be a moment matrix of degree 3.

Proposition 8.1. *Suppose $\mathcal{M}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_2 & B_3 \\ B_3^t & C_3 \end{pmatrix}$ is a moment matrix of degree 3, where $B_3 \in \mathbb{R}^{7 \times 8}$ and $C_3 \in \mathbb{R}^{8 \times 8}$ and let the rows and columns be order lexicographically. Then B_3 and C_3 are of the forms*

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbb{1} \\ \mathbb{X} \\ \mathbb{Y} \\ \mathbb{X}^2 \\ \mathbb{XY} \\ \mathbb{YX} \\ \mathbb{Y}^2 \end{array} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{X}^3 & \mathbb{X}^2\mathbb{Y} & \mathbb{XYX} & \mathbb{XY}^2 & \mathbb{YX}^2 & \mathbb{YXY} & \mathbb{Y}^2\mathbb{X} & \mathbb{Y}^3 \\ \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{XY^2} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{XY^2} & \beta_{XY^2} & \beta_{Y^3} \\ \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^2Y^2} & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{XYXY} & \beta_{X^2Y^2} & \beta_{XY^3} \\ \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^2Y^2} & \beta_{XYXY} & \beta_{XY^3} & \beta_{X^2Y^2} & \beta_{XY^3} & \beta_{XY^3} & \beta_{Y^4} \\ \beta_{X^5} & \beta_{X^4Y} & \beta_{X^4Y} & \beta_{X^3Y^2} & \beta_{X^4Y} & \beta_{X^2YXY} & \beta_{X^3Y^2} & \beta_{X^2Y^3} \\ \beta_{X^4Y} & \beta_{X^3Y^2} & \beta_{X^2YXY} & \beta_{X^2Y^3} & \beta_{X^2YXY} & \beta_{XY^2XY} & \beta_{XY^2XY} & \beta_{XY^4} \\ \beta_{X^4Y} & \beta_{X^2YXY} & \beta_{X^2YXY} & \beta_{XY^2XY} & \beta_{X^3Y^2} & \beta_{XY^2XY} & \beta_{X^2Y^3} & \beta_{XY^4} \\ \beta_{X^3Y^2} & \beta_{X^2Y^3} & \beta_{XY^2XY} & \beta_{XY^4} & \beta_{X^2Y^3} & \beta_{XY^4} & \beta_{XY^4} & \beta_{Y^5} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbb{X}^3 \\ \mathbb{X}^2\mathbb{Y} \\ \mathbb{XYX} \\ \mathbb{XY}^2 \\ \mathbb{YX}^2 \\ \mathbb{YXY} \\ \mathbb{Y}^2\mathbb{X} \\ \mathbb{Y}^3 \end{array} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{X}^3 & \mathbb{X}^2\mathbb{Y} & \mathbb{XYX} & \mathbb{XY}^2 & \mathbb{YX}^2 & \mathbb{YXY} & \mathbb{Y}^2\mathbb{X} & \mathbb{Y}^3 \\ \beta_{X^6} & \beta_{X^5Y} & \beta_{X^5Y} & \beta_{X^4Y^2} & \beta_{X^5Y} & \beta_{X^3YXY} & \beta_{X^4Y^2} & \beta_{X^3Y^3} \\ \beta_{X^5Y} & \beta_{X^4Y^2} & \beta_{X^3YXY} & \beta_{X^3Y^3} & \beta_{X^2YX^2Y} & \beta_{X^2Y^2XY} & \beta_{X^2Y^2XY} & \beta_{X^2Y^4} \\ \beta_{X^4YX} & \beta_{X^3YXY} & \beta_{X^2YX^2Y} & \beta_{X^2Y^2XY} & \beta_{X^3YXY} & \beta_{XYXYXY} & \beta_{X^2Y^2XY} & \beta_{XY^3XY} \\ \beta_{X^4Y^2} & \beta_{X^3Y^3} & \beta_{X^2Y^2XY} & \beta_{X^2Y^4} & \beta_{X^2Y^2XY} & \beta_{XY^3XY} & \beta_{XY^2XY^2} & \beta_{XY^5} \\ \beta_{X^5Y} & \beta_{X^2YX^2Y} & \beta_{X^3YXY} & \beta_{X^2Y^2XY} & \beta_{X^4Y^2} & \beta_{X^2Y^2XY} & \beta_{X^3Y^3} & \beta_{X^2Y^4} \\ \beta_{X^3YXY} & \beta_{X^2Y^2XY} & \beta_{XYXYXY} & \beta_{XY^3XY} & \beta_{X^2Y^2XY} & \beta_{XY^2XY^2} & \beta_{XY^3XY} & \beta_{XY^5} \\ \beta_{X^4Y^2} & \beta_{X^2Y^2XY} & \beta_{X^2Y^2XY} & \beta_{XY^2XY^2} & \beta_{X^3Y^3} & \beta_{XY^3XY} & \beta_{X^2Y^4} & \beta_{XY^5} \\ \beta_{X^3Y^3} & \beta_{X^2Y^4} & \beta_{XY^3XY} & \beta_{XY^5} & \beta_{X^2Y^4} & \beta_{XY^5} & \beta_{XY^5} & \beta_{Y^6} \end{pmatrix}$$

respectively.

Proof. This follows by definition of moment matrices. □

If B_3 and C_3 are of the form given in Proposition 8.1, then we say they have a **moment structure**.

The moment structure of C_3 implies the system given by following proposition is satisfied.

Proposition 8.2. *If \mathcal{M}_3 is a moment matrix, then $C_3 := (C_{ij})_{ij}$ satisfies the following system*

$$(8.1) \quad \begin{aligned} C_{47} &= C_{66}, & C_{38} &= C_{46} = C_{67}, \\ C_{25} &= C_{33}, & C_{48} &= C_{68} = C_{78}, \\ C_{12} &= C_{13} = C_{15}, & C_{14} &= C_{17} = C_{22} = C_{55}, \\ C_{18} &= C_{24} = C_{57}, & C_{28} &= C_{58} = C_{44} = C_{77}, \\ C_{16} &= C_{23} = C_{35}, & C_{26} &= C_{27} = C_{34} = C_{37} = C_{45} = C_{56}. \end{aligned}$$

Recall from Subsection 2.1 that for a polynomial $p \in \mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq 2k}$, $\hat{p} = (a_w)_w$ denotes the coefficient vector with respect to the lexicographically-ordered basis

$$\{1, X, Y, X^2, XY, YX, Y^2, \dots, X^{2k}, \dots, Y^{2k}\}$$

of $\mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq 2k}$. We will use the following proposition to show that some of the equations in (8.1) are automatically satisfied for any flat extension \mathcal{M} of a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_n , i.e., \mathcal{M} does not need to have the moment structure.

Proposition 8.3. *Suppose $\mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_n & B_{n+1} \\ B_{n+1}^t & C_{n+1} \end{pmatrix}$ is a flat extension of a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_n with rows and columns indexed by monomials of degree at most $n+1$. Let $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\mathcal{M}}$ be a bilinear form on $\mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq n+1}$ defined by $\langle w_1, w_2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} := \langle \mathcal{M}\widehat{w}_1, \widehat{w}_2 \rangle$. For polynomials $p, q \in \mathbb{R}\langle X, Y \rangle_{\leq n+1}$ we have*

$$(8.2) \quad \langle p, q \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \langle q, p \rangle_{\mathcal{M}},$$

and

$$(8.3) \quad \langle p, q \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \langle q^*, p^* \rangle_{\mathcal{M}}.$$

Proof. If p, q are polynomials of degree at most n , then (8.2), (8.3) are true due to the moment structure of \mathcal{M}_n . Suppose p and q be polynomials of degree at most $n + 1$. The equality $\langle p, q \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \langle q, p \rangle_{\mathcal{M}}$ is true since \mathcal{M} is symmetric. From $\text{rank}(\mathcal{M}) = \text{rank}(\mathcal{M}_n)$, it follows that in \mathcal{M} we have

$$p(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = \sum_{|u| \leq n} a_u u(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) \quad \text{and} \quad q(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}) = \sum_{|t| \leq n} b_t t(\mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}),$$

for some $a_u, b_t \in \mathbb{R}$. Now by the properties of bilinear forms and the moment structure of \mathcal{M}_n , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle p, q \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} &= \langle \mathcal{M}\widehat{p}, \widehat{q} \rangle = \left\langle \mathcal{M} \left(\sum_{|u| \leq n} a_u \widehat{u} \right), \sum_{|t| \leq n} b_t \widehat{t} \right\rangle = \sum_{|u| \leq n} \sum_{|t| \leq n} a_u b_t \langle \mathcal{M}\widehat{u}, \widehat{t} \rangle \\ &= \sum_{|u| \leq n} \sum_{|t| \leq n} a_u b_t \langle \mathcal{M}\widehat{t}^*, \widehat{u}^* \rangle = \left\langle \mathcal{M} \left(\sum_{|t| \leq n} b_t \widehat{t}^* \right), \sum_{|u| \leq n} a_u \widehat{u}^* \right\rangle = \langle \mathcal{M}\widehat{q}^*, \widehat{p}^* \rangle \\ &= \langle \widehat{q}^*, \widehat{p}^* \rangle_{\mathcal{M}}. \end{aligned}$$

This establishes Proposition 8.3. □

Corollary 8.4. Suppose $\mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_2 & B_3 \\ B_3^t & C_3 \end{pmatrix}$ is a flat extension of a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 with rows and columns indexed by monomials of degree at most 3. We write $C_3 = (C_{ij})_{ij}$. Then we have:

$$(8.4) \quad \begin{array}{llll} C_{12} = C_{15}, & C_{46} = C_{67}, & C_{22} = C_{55}, & C_{26} = C_{56}, \\ C_{24} = C_{57}, & C_{48} = C_{78}, & C_{28} = C_{58}, & C_{27} = C_{45}, \\ C_{23} = C_{35}, & C_{14} = C_{17}, & C_{44} = C_{77}, & C_{34} = C_{37}. \end{array}$$

Therefore assuming B_3 has a moment structure, \mathcal{M} is a moment matrix of degree 3 if and only if

$$(8.5) \quad \begin{array}{lll} C_{47} = C_{66}, & C_{16} = C_{23}, & C_{28} = C_{44}, \\ C_{25} = C_{33}, & C_{38} = C_{46}, & C_{26} = C_{27} = C_{34}, \\ C_{12} = C_{13}, & C_{48} = C_{68}, & \\ C_{18} = C_{24}, & C_{14} = C_{22}, & \end{array}$$

Proof. **Claim 1:** $C_{12} = C_{15}$.

$$\begin{aligned} C_{12} &= \langle X^2 Y, X^3 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \langle X^3, Y X^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} \quad (\text{by (8.3)}) \\ &= \langle Y X^2, X^3 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = C_{15} \quad (\text{by (8.2)}). \end{aligned}$$

Claim 2: $C_{24} = C_{57}$.

$$\begin{aligned} C_{24} &= \langle X Y^2, X^2 Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \langle Y X^2, Y^2 X \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} \quad (\text{by (8.3)}) \\ &= \langle Y^2 X, Y X^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = C_{57} \quad (\text{by (8.2)}). \end{aligned}$$

Claim 3: $C_{23} = C_{35}$.

$$\begin{aligned} C_{23} &= \langle X Y X, X^2 Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \langle Y X^2, X Y X \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} \quad (\text{by (8.3)}) \\ &= \langle X Y X, Y X^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = C_{35} \quad (\text{by (8.2)}). \end{aligned}$$

Claim 4: $C_{46} = C_{67}$.

$$\begin{aligned} C_{46} &= \langle Y X Y, X Y^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \langle Y^2 X, Y X Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} \quad (\text{by (8.3)}) \\ &= \langle Y X Y, Y^2 X \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = C_{67} \quad (\text{by (8.2)}). \end{aligned}$$

Claim 5: $C_{48} = C_{78}$.

$$\begin{aligned} C_{48} &= \langle Y^3, X Y^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \langle Y^2 X, Y^3 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} \quad (\text{by (8.3)}) \\ &= \langle Y^3, Y^2 X \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = C_{78} \quad (\text{by (8.2)}). \end{aligned}$$

Claim 6: $C_{14} = C_{17}$.

$$\begin{aligned} C_{14} &= \langle XY^2, X^3 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \langle X^3, Y^2X \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} \quad (\text{by (8.3)}) \\ &= \langle Y^2X, X^3 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = C_{17} \quad (\text{by (8.2)}). \end{aligned}$$

Claim 7: $C_{22} = C_{55}$.

$$C_{22} = \langle X^2Y, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \langle YX^2, YX^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = C_{55} \quad (\text{by (8.3)}).$$

Claim 8: $C_{28} = C_{58}$.

$$\begin{aligned} C_{28} &= \langle Y^3, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \langle YX^2, Y^3 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} \quad (\text{by (8.3)}) \\ &= \langle Y^3, YX^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = C_{58} \quad (\text{by (8.2)}). \end{aligned}$$

Claim 9: $C_{44} = C_{77}$.

$$C_{44} = \langle XY^2, XY^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \langle Y^2X, Y^2X \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = C_{77} \quad (\text{by (8.3)}).$$

Claim 10: $C_{26} = C_{56}$.

$$\begin{aligned} C_{26} &= \langle YXY, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \langle YX^2, YXY \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} \quad (\text{by (8.3)}) \\ &= \langle YXY, YX^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = C_{56} \quad (\text{by (8.2)}). \end{aligned}$$

Claim 11: $C_{27} = C_{45}$.

$$\begin{aligned} C_{27} &= \langle Y^2X, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \langle YX^2, XY^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} \quad (\text{by (8.3)}) \\ &= \langle XY^2, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = C_{45} \quad (\text{by (8.2)}). \end{aligned}$$

Claim 12: $C_{34} = C_{37}$.

$$\begin{aligned} C_{34} &= \langle XY^2, XYX \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \langle XYX, Y^2X \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} \quad (\text{by (8.3)}) \\ &= \langle Y^2X, XYX \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = C_{37} \quad (\text{by (8.2)}). \end{aligned}$$

This proves the first statement of Corollary 8.4. The second statement follows by observing that if \mathcal{M} is a moment matrix, then the entries of C_3 are independent from the other entries of \mathcal{M} and combining (8.1) with (8.4). \square

If $\mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_n & B_{n+1} \\ B_{n+1}^t & C_{n+1} \end{pmatrix}$ is a flat extension of \mathcal{M}_n , then there is a matrix W such that

$$B_{n+1} = \mathcal{M}_n W \quad \text{and} \quad C_{n+1} = W^t \mathcal{M}_n W.$$

By the following lemma C_{n+1} is independent of the choice of W satisfying $B_{n+1} = \mathcal{M}_n W$.

Lemma 8.5. *Let $A \in \mathbb{S}\mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ be a symmetric matrix and $W_1, W_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times p}$ matrices satisfying $AW_1 = AW_2$. Then $W_1^t AW_1 = W_2^t AW_2$.*

Proof. Since $W_j^t AW_j$ are symmetric matrices, we have

$$\begin{aligned} W_1^t AW_1 = W_2^t AW_2 &\Leftrightarrow \langle (W_1^t AW_1 - W_2^t AW_2)v, v \rangle \quad \text{for every } v \in \mathbb{R}^p \\ &\Leftrightarrow \langle AW_1 v, W_1 v \rangle = \langle AW_2 v, W_2 v \rangle \quad \text{for every } v \in \mathbb{R}^p. \end{aligned}$$

Let us write $v_1 := W_1 v$ and $v_2 := W_2 v$. By assumption $AW_1 = AW_2$ it follows that $Av_1 = Av_2$. The following calculation holds:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \langle A(v_1 - v_2), (v_1 + v_2) \rangle = \langle Av_1, v_1 \rangle + \langle Av_1, v_2 \rangle - \langle Av_2, v_1 \rangle - \langle Av_2, v_2 \rangle \\ &= \langle Av_1, v_1 \rangle + \langle v_1, Av_2 \rangle - \langle Av_2, v_1 \rangle - \langle Av_2, v_2 \rangle \\ &= \langle Av_1, v_1 \rangle + \langle Av_2, v_1 \rangle - \langle Av_2, v_1 \rangle - \langle Av_2, v_2 \rangle = \langle Av_1, v_1 \rangle - \langle Av_2, v_2 \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

This concludes the proof of the lemma. \square

8.2. Relation $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} - \mathbb{X}^2$. The candidate for B_3 in a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_3 generated by the measure for \mathcal{M}_2 is given by the following.

Proposition 8.6. *Let $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ be a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying the relation $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} - \mathbb{X}^2$. Suppose β admits a measure μ . If $\mathcal{M}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_2 & B_3 \\ B_3^t & C_3 \end{pmatrix}$ is a moment matrix generated by the measure μ , then B_3 satisfies*

$$(8.6) \quad \begin{aligned} \beta_{X^2Y^3} &= \beta_{XY^2XY} = \beta_{X^2Y} - q, & \beta_{Y^5} &= \beta_Y - 2\beta_{X^2Y} + q, \\ \beta_{X^3Y^2} &= \beta_{X^2YXY} = \beta_{X^3} - p, & \beta_{X^5} &= p, \\ \beta_{XY^4} &= \beta_X - 2\beta_{X^3} + p, & \beta_{X^4Y} &= q, \end{aligned}$$

where $p, q \in \mathbb{R}$ are parameters.

Proof. The RG relations which must hold in \mathcal{M}_3 are

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{Y}^3 &= \mathbb{Y} - \mathbb{X}^2\mathbb{Y}, & \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}^2 &= \mathbb{X} - \mathbb{X}^3, \\ \mathbb{Y}^3 &= \mathbb{Y} - \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}^2, & \mathbb{Y}^2\mathbb{X} &= \mathbb{X} - \mathbb{X}^3. \end{aligned}$$

From these relations we get the following system:

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{XY^4} &= (\beta_X - \beta_{X^3}) - \beta_{X^3Y^2}, & \beta_{X^2Y^3} &= \beta_{X^2Y} - \beta_{X^4Y}, \\ \beta_{XY^4} &= (\beta_X - \beta_{X^3}) - \beta_{X^2YXY}, & \beta_{X^3Y^2} &= \beta_{X^3} - \beta_{X^5}, \\ \beta_{Y^5} &= (\beta_Y - \beta_{X^2Y}) - \beta_{X^2Y^3}, & \beta_{XY^2XY} &= \beta_{X^2Y} - \beta_{X^4Y}. \end{aligned}$$

Now the solution of this system is given by the statement of the proposition. \square

Theorem 8.7. Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying the relation $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} - \mathbb{X}^2$. Let us define the moments of degree 5 by (8.6) and B_3 as in Proposition 8.1. Then the following are true:

(1) There exists a matrix $W \in \mathbb{R}^7 \times \mathbb{R}^{10}$ such that

$$B_3 = \mathcal{M}_2 W.$$

(2) We write $M = \{\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}^2, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}\}$. Let $W_1 \in \mathbb{R}^6 \times \mathbb{R}^{10}$ be the matrix

$$W_1 = (\mathcal{M}_2|_M)^{-1} B_3|_M.$$

If $\mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_2 & B_3 \\ B_3^t & C_3 \end{pmatrix}$ is a flat extension of \mathcal{M}_2 , then $C_3 = (C_{ij})_{ij}$ is equal to $W_1^t \mathcal{M}_2|_M W_1$ and \mathcal{M} has a moment structure if and only if

$$(8.7) \quad \begin{aligned} C_{47} &= C_{66}, & C_{16} &= C_{23}, & C_{28} &= C_{44}, \\ C_{25} &= C_{33}, & C_{48} &= C_{68}, & C_{26} &= C_{27}, \\ C_{12} &= C_{13}, & C_{14} &= C_{22}, & & \end{aligned}$$

Proof. To prove (1) we have to show that every column of B_3 belongs to the linear span of the columns of \mathcal{M}_2 . Since the proofs are analogous, we will establish this only for the column \mathbb{X}^3 . Since $\mathcal{M}_2|_M$ is positive definite, it follows that

$$(8.8) \quad \mathbb{X}^3|_M = a_1 \mathbb{1}|_M + a_2 \mathbb{X}|_M + a_3 \mathbb{Y}|_M + a_4 \mathbb{X}^2|_M + a_5 \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}|_M + a_6 \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}|_M,$$

for some $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$. Notice that $a_5 = a_6$. Using the relation $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} - \mathbb{X}^2$ we calculate

$$\begin{aligned} & a_1 \beta_{Y^2} + a_2 \beta_{XY^2} + a_3 \beta_{Y^3} + a_4 \beta_{X^2Y^2} + 2a_5 \beta_{XY^3} \\ &= a_1(\beta_1 - \beta_{X^2}) + a_2(\beta_X - \beta_{X^3}) + a_3(\beta_Y - \beta_{X^2Y}) + a_4(\beta_{X^2} - \beta_{X^4}) \\ & \quad + 2a_5(\beta_{XY} - \beta_{X^3Y}) \\ &= \beta_{X^3} - p. \end{aligned}$$

By the form of B_3 it follows that

$$\mathbb{X}^3 = a_1 \mathbb{1} + a_2 \mathbb{X} + a_3 \mathbb{Y} + a_4 \mathbb{X}^2 + a_5 \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + a_6 \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} \quad \text{in } \mathcal{M}_3.$$

This proves part (1).

If \mathcal{M} is a flat extension of \mathcal{M}_2 , then in particular $\text{rank}((\mathcal{M}_2 \ B_3)) = \text{rank } \mathcal{M}_2$. Since the columns from M are the basis for the column space of \mathcal{M}_2 , we have

$$B_3 = \mathcal{M}_2 \begin{pmatrix} W_1 \\ 0_{1 \times 10} \end{pmatrix}.$$

By Lemma 8.5 it follows that

$$C_3 = (W_1^t \ 0_{10 \times 1}) \mathcal{M}_2 \begin{pmatrix} W_1 \\ 0_{1 \times 10} \end{pmatrix} = W_1^t \mathcal{M}_2|_M W_1.$$

Now we will establish the relations which will prove that the system (8.5) holds if and only if the system (8.7) holds.

Claim 1: $C_{18} = C_{24}$.

$$\begin{aligned} C_{18} &= \langle Y^3, X^3 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} = \langle Y - X^2Y, X^3 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \quad (\text{by RG relations}) \\ &= \langle Y, X^3 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle X^3, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \quad (\text{by (8.2)}) \\ &= \langle X, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle X^3, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \quad (\text{by the moment structure of } B_3) \\ &= \langle XY^2, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} = C_{24} \quad (\text{by RG relations}). \end{aligned}$$

Claim 2: $C_{16} - C_{23} = C_{38} - C_{46}$.

$$\begin{aligned} C_{16} - C_{23} &= \langle YXY, X^3 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle XYX, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \\ &= \langle YXY, X - XY^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle X^2Y, XYX \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \quad (\text{by RG relations and (8.2)}) \\ &= (\langle X, YXY \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle X^2Y, XYX \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3}) - \langle YXY, XY^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \\ &\quad (\text{by the moment structure of } B_3) \\ &= \langle Y^3, XYX \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle YXY, XY^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \quad (\text{by RG relations}) \\ &= C_{38} - C_{46}. \end{aligned}$$

Claim 3: $C_{37} - C_{27} = C_{12} - C_{13}$.

$$\begin{aligned} C_{37} - C_{27} &= \langle Y^2X, XYX \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle Y^2X, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \\ &= \langle X - X^3, XYX \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle Y^2X, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \quad (\text{by RG relations}) \\ &= (\langle X, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle Y^2X, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3}) - \langle X^3, XYX \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \\ &\quad (\text{by the moment structure of } B_3) \\ &= \langle X^3, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle X^3, XYX \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \\ &= C_{12} - C_{13}. \end{aligned}$$

Using Claims 1-3 proves Theorem 8.7 (2). □

Remark 8.8. Assume the notation as in Theorem 8.7. If \mathcal{M} is a flat extension and has a moment structure, then we must also have

$$C_{26} = C_{18} \quad \text{and} \quad C_{14} = C_{25},$$

which follows by the following:

$$\begin{aligned} C_{48} - C_{68} &= \langle Y^3, XY^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle Y^3, YXY \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \\ &= \langle Y^3, XY^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle Y - X^2Y, YXY \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \quad (\text{by RG relations}) \\ &= \langle Y^3, XY^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle Y^3, X \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} + \langle X^2Y, YXY \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \\ &\quad (\text{by the moment structure of } B_3) \\ &= \langle X^2Y, YXY \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle Y^3, X^3 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \quad (\text{by RG relations}) \\ &= \langle YXY, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle X^3, Y^3 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \quad (\text{by (8.2)}) \\ &= C_{26} - C_{18}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
C_{58} - C_{44} &= \langle Y^3, YX^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle XY^2, XY^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \\
&= \langle Y - X^2Y, YX^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle XY^2, XY^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \quad (\text{by RG relations}) \\
&= (\langle Y, YX^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle XY^2, XY^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3}) - \langle YX^2, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \quad (\text{by (8.2)}) \\
&= (\langle X, XY^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle XY^2, XY^2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3}) - \langle YX^2, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \\
&\quad (\text{by the moment structure of } B_3) \\
&= \langle XY^2, X^3 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} - \langle YX^2, X^2Y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_3} \quad (\text{by RG relations and (8.2)}) \\
&= C_{14} - C_{25}.
\end{aligned}$$

We present now a special case which highlights the difference between the classical and the tracial truncated moment problems. In this example a flat extension \mathcal{M}_3 of \mathcal{M}_2 does not exist, but a measure for \mathcal{M}_2 always exists.

Example 8.9. For $\beta_{X^4} \in (\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2})$, the following matrices are psd moment matrices of rank 6 satisfying the relation $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} - \mathbb{X}^2$,

$$\mathcal{M}_2(\beta_{X^4}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} - \beta_{X^4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} - \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} - \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} - \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let us define the moments of degree 5 by (8.6) and B_3 as in Proposition 8.1. Using *Mathematica* we calculate $W_1^t \mathcal{M}_2|_M W_1$ from Theorem 8.7 (2) and check that for any β_{X^4} the system from Theorem 8.7 does not have a solution, e.g.,

$$\begin{aligned}
C_{47}(p, q, \beta_{X^4}) &= \frac{1}{2} - 2\beta_{X^4} + 2\beta_{X^4}^2 + \frac{4q^2}{1 - 2\beta_{X^4}} + \frac{4p^2}{-1 + 4\beta_{X^4}}, \\
C_{66}(p, q, \beta_{X^4}) &= \frac{4q^2}{1 - 2\beta_{X^4}} + \frac{4p^2}{-1 + 4\beta_{X^4}}, \\
(C_{47} - C_{66})(p, q, \beta_{X^4}) &= \frac{1}{2}(1 - 2\beta_{X^4})^2 \neq 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence $\mathcal{M}_2(\beta_{X^4})$ does not admit a flat extension with a moment structure. However, for every $\beta_{X^4} \in (\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2})$, $\mathcal{M}_2(\beta_{X^4})$ admits a measure by Theorem 7.5 (1).

8.3. Relation $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$. The candidate for B_3 in a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_3 generated by the measure for \mathcal{M}_2 is given by the following.

Proposition 8.10. *Let $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ be a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying the relation $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$. Suppose β admits a measure μ . If $\mathcal{M}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_2 & B_3 \\ B_3^t & C_3 \end{pmatrix}$ is a moment matrix generated by the measure μ , then B_3 satisfies*

$$(8.9) \quad \begin{aligned}
\beta_{X^4Y} = \beta_{X^2YXY} = \beta_{X^3Y^2} = \beta_{X^2Y^3} = \beta_{XY^2XY} = \beta_{XY^4} = 0, \\
\beta_{X^5} = p \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_{Y^5} = q,
\end{aligned}$$

where $p, q \in \mathbb{R}$ are parameters.

Proof. The RG relations which must hold in \mathcal{M}_3 are

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{X}^2\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} &= \mathbf{0}, & \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}^2\mathbb{X} &= \mathbf{0}, \\
\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}^2 &= \mathbf{0}, & \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}^2 + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} &= \mathbf{0}.
\end{aligned}$$

From this relations we get the following system:

$$\begin{aligned}
2\beta_{X^4Y} &= 0, & \beta_{X^2Y^3} + \beta_{XY^2XY} &= 0, \\
\beta_{X^3Y^2} + \beta_{X^2YXY} &= 0, & 2\beta_{XY^2XY} &= 0, \\
2\beta_{X^2YXY} &= 0, & 2\beta_{XY^4} &= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Now the solution of this system is given by the statement of the proposition. \square

Theorem 8.11. Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying the relation $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$. Let us define the moments of degree 5 by (8.9) and B_3 as in Proposition 8.1. Then the following are true:

(1) There exists a matrix $W \in \mathbb{R}^7 \times \mathbb{R}^{10}$ satisfying

$$B_3 = \mathcal{M}_2 W.$$

(2) We write $M = \{\mathbf{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}^2, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}^2\}$. Let $W_1 \in \mathbb{R}^6 \times \mathbb{R}^{10}$ be the matrix

$$W_1 = (\mathcal{M}_2|_M)^{-1} B_3|_M.$$

If $\mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_2 & B_3 \\ B_3^t & C_3 \end{pmatrix}$ is a flat extension of \mathcal{M}_2 , then $C_3 = (C_{ij})_{ij}$ is equal to $W_1^t \mathcal{M}_2|_M W_1$ and \mathcal{M} has a moment structure if and only if

$$\begin{aligned}
(8.10) \quad C_{12} = C_{13} &= 0, & C_{38} &= C_{46}, & C_{28} &= C_{44}, \\
C_{18} &= C_{24}, & C_{48} = C_{68} &= 0, & C_{26} = C_{27} &= C_{34}, \\
C_{16} &= C_{23}, & C_{14} &= C_{22}, & &
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. The proof is analogous to the proof of Theorem 8.7. Using similar arguments we prove the following claim:

Claim: $C_{47} = C_{66}$, $C_{25} = C_{33}$, $C_{12} = -C_{13}$, $C_{24} = C_{57}$, $C_{48} = -C_{68}$.

By Claim the system (8.5) holds if and only if the system (8.10) holds. \square

Example 8.12. For $\beta_{X^4} > 1$, the following matrices are psd moment matrices of rank 6 satisfying the relation $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}$,

$$\mathcal{M}_2(\beta_{X^4}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let us define the moments of degree 5 by (8.9) and B_3 as in Proposition 8.1. Using *Mathematica* we calculate $W_1^t \mathcal{M}_2|_M W_1$ from Theorem 8.11 (2) and get

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{p^2}{\beta_{X^4}-1} + 4 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & -2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ -2 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & q^2 + 4. \end{pmatrix}$$

The system (8.10) does not have a solution, e.g., $-2 = C_{16} \neq C_{23} = -1$. Hence $\mathcal{M}_2(\beta_{X^4})$ does not admit a flat extension \mathcal{M}_3 . However, for every $\beta_{X^4} > 1$, $\mathcal{M}_2(\beta_{X^4})$ admits a measure by Theorem 7.8 (1).

8.4. Relation $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} + \mathbb{X}^2$. The form of \mathcal{M}_2 is given by the following proposition.

Proposition 8.13. Let $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ be a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 satisfying the relation

$$(8.11) \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1} + \mathbb{X}^2.$$

Then \mathcal{M}_2 if of the form

$$(8.12) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 & \beta_X & \beta_Y & \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{XY} & \beta_{XY} & \beta_1 + \beta_{X^2} \\ \beta_X & \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{XY} & \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X + \beta_{X^3} \\ \beta_Y & \beta_{XY} & \beta_1 + \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X + \beta_{X^3} & \beta_X + \beta_{X^3} & \beta_Y + \beta_{X^2Y} \\ \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} \\ \beta_{XY} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X + \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{XYXY} & \beta_{XY} + \beta_{X^3Y} \\ \beta_{XY} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X + \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{XYXY} & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{XY} + \beta_{X^3Y} \\ \beta_1 + \beta_{X^2} & \beta_X + \beta_{X^3} & \beta_Y + \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{XY} + \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{XY} + \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_1 + 2\beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4} \end{pmatrix}$$

Proof. The relation (8.11) gives us the following system in \mathcal{M}_2

$$(8.13) \quad \begin{aligned} \beta_{Y^2} &= \beta_1 + \beta_{X^2}, & \beta_{X^2Y^2} &= \beta_{X^2} + \beta_{X^4}, \\ \beta_{XY^2} &= \beta_X + \beta_{X^3}, & \beta_{XY^3} &= \beta_{XY} + \beta_{X^3Y}, \\ \beta_{Y^3} &= \beta_Y + \beta_{X^2Y}, & \beta_{Y^4} &= \beta_{Y^2} + \beta_{X^2Y^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Plugging in the expressions for β_{Y^2} and $\beta_{X^2Y^2}$ in the expression for β_{Y^4} gives the form (8.12) of \mathcal{M}_2 . \square

The candidate for B_3 in a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_3 generated by the measure for \mathcal{M}_2 is given by the following.

Proposition 8.14. *Let $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ be a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying the relation $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} + \mathbb{X}^2$. Suppose β admits a measure μ . If $\mathcal{M}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_2 & B_3 \\ B_3^t & C_3 \end{pmatrix}$ is a moment matrix generated by the measure μ , then B_3 satisfies*

$$(8.14) \quad \begin{aligned} \beta_{X^2Y^3} &= \beta_{XY^2XY} = \beta_{X^2Y} + q, & \beta_{Y^5} &= \beta_Y + 2\beta_{X^2Y} + q, \\ \beta_{X^3Y^2} &= \beta_{X^2YXY} = \beta_{X^3} + p, & \beta_{X^5} &= p, \\ \beta_{XY^4} &= \beta_X + 2\beta_{X^3} + p, & \beta_{X^4Y} &= q, \end{aligned}$$

where $p, q \in \mathbb{R}$ are parameters.

Proof. The RG relations which must hold in \mathcal{M}_3 are

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{Y}^3 &= \mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{X}^2\mathbb{Y}, & \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}^2 &= \mathbb{X} + \mathbb{X}^3, \\ \mathbb{Y}^3 &= \mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}^2, & \mathbb{Y}^2\mathbb{X} &= \mathbb{X} + \mathbb{X}^3. \end{aligned}$$

From these relations we get the following system:

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{XY^4} &= (\beta_X + \beta_{X^3}) + \beta_{X^3Y^2}, & \beta_{X^2Y^3} &= \beta_{X^2Y} + \beta_{X^4Y}, \\ \beta_{XY^4} &= (\beta_X + \beta_{X^3}) + \beta_{X^2YXY}, & \beta_{X^3Y^2} &= \beta_{X^3} + \beta_{X^5}, \\ \beta_{Y^5} &= (\beta_Y + \beta_{X^2Y}) + \beta_{X^2Y^3}, & \beta_{XY^2XY} &= \beta_{X^2Y} + \beta_{X^4Y}. \end{aligned}$$

The solution of this system is given by the statement of the proposition. \square

Theorem 8.15. *Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying the relation $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} + \mathbb{X}^2$. Let us define the moments of degree 5 by (8.14) and B_3 as in Proposition 8.1. Then the following are true:*

(1) *There exists a matrix $W \in \mathbb{R}^7 \times \mathbb{R}^{10}$ satisfying*

$$B_3 = \mathcal{M}_2 W.$$

(2) *We write $M = \{\mathbb{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}^2, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}\}$. Let $W_1 \in \mathbb{R}^6 \times \mathbb{R}^{10}$ be the matrix*

$$W_1 = (\mathcal{M}_2|_M)^{-1} B_3|_M.$$

If $\mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_2 & B_3 \\ B_3^t & C_3 \end{pmatrix}$ is a flat extension of \mathcal{M}_2 , then $C_3 = (C_{ij})_{ij}$ is equal to $W_1^t \mathcal{M}_2|_M W_1$ and \mathcal{M} has a moment structure if and only if

$$(8.15) \quad \begin{aligned} C_{47} &= C_{66}, & C_{16} &= C_{23}, & C_{28} &= C_{44}, \\ C_{25} &= C_{33}, & C_{48} &= C_{68}, & C_{26} &= C_{27}, \\ C_{12} &= C_{13}, & C_{14} &= C_{22}, & & \end{aligned}$$

Proof. The proof is analogous to the proof of Theorem 8.7. Using similar arguments we prove the following claim:

Claim: $C_{18} = C_{24}$, $C_{16} - C_{23} = C_{46} - C_{38}$, $C_{37} - C_{27} = C_{13} - C_{12}$.

By Claim the system (8.5) holds if and only if the system (8.15) holds. \square

We present now a special case which highlights the difference between the classical and the tracial truncated moment problems. In this example a flat extension of \mathcal{M}_2 with a moment structure does not exist, but a measure for \mathcal{M}_2 always exists.

Example 8.16. For $\beta_{X^4} > \frac{1}{4}$, the following matrices are psd moment matrices of rank 6 satisfying the relation $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1} + \mathbb{X}^2$,

$$\mathcal{M}_2(\beta_{X^4}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{3}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} + \beta_{X^4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} + \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} + \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ \frac{3}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} + \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & 2 + \beta_{X^4} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let us define the moments of degree 5 by (8.14) and B_3 as in Proposition 8.1. Using *Mathematica* we calculate $W_1^t \mathcal{M}_2|_M W_1$ from Theorem 8.15 (2) and check that for any β_{X^4} the system from Theorem 8.15 does not have a solution, e.g.,

$$\begin{aligned} C_{47}(p, q, \beta_{X^4}) &= \frac{1}{2} + 2\beta_{X^4} + 2\beta_{X^4}^2 + \frac{4q^2}{1 + 2\beta_{X^4}} + \frac{4p^2}{-1 + 4\beta_{X^4}}, \\ C_{66}(p, q, \beta_{X^4}) &= \frac{4q^2}{1 + 2\beta_{X^4}} + \frac{4p^2}{-1 + 4\beta_{X^4}}, \\ (C_{47} - C_{66})(p, q, \beta_{X^4}) &= \frac{1}{2}(1 + 2\beta_{X^4})^2 \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\mathcal{M}_2(\beta_{X^4})$ does not admit a flat extension \mathcal{M}_3 . However, we will show that for every $\beta_{X^4} > \frac{1}{4}$, $\mathcal{M}_2(\beta_{X^4})$ admits a measure. We define the matrix function

$$B(\alpha) := \mathcal{M}_2 - \alpha(\mathcal{M}_2^{(0,1)} + \mathcal{M}_2^{(0,-1)}).$$

Let $\alpha_0 > 0$ be the smallest positive number such that the rank of $B(\alpha_0)$ is smaller than 6. Using *Mathematica* and calculating α_0 such that $\det(B(\alpha_0)_{\{1, X, Y, X^2, XY, YX\}}) = 0$ we get

$$\alpha_0 = \min\left(\frac{3}{4}, \frac{-1 + 4\beta_{X^4}}{8\beta_{X^4}}\right).$$

For $\beta_{X^4} > \frac{1}{4}$ we have $\alpha_0 = \frac{-1 + 4\beta_{X^4}}{8\beta_{X^4}}$. Using *Mathematica*, the kernel of $B(\alpha_0)$ satisfies the relations

$$\mathbb{X}^2 = 2\beta_{X^4}, \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = (1 + 2\beta_{X^4})\mathbb{1}.$$

We also have

$$\beta_X^{(B)} = \beta_Y^{(B)} = \beta_{X^3}^{(B)} = \beta_{X^2Y}^{(B)} = \beta_{XY^2}^{(B)} = \beta_{Y^3}^{(B)} = 0,$$

where $\beta_w^{(B)}$ are the moments of $B(\alpha_0)$. This is a special case in the proof of Proposition 4.1, i.e., Case 1. Following the proof we see that after using only transformations of type

$$(x, y) \mapsto (\alpha_1 x + \beta_1 y, \alpha_2 x + \beta_2 y)$$

for some $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta_1, \beta_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, we come into the basic case 1 of rank 5 with $\tilde{\beta}_X = \tilde{\beta}_Y = \tilde{\beta}_{X^3} = 0$. But every such sequence admits a measure of type (2,1) by Theorem 6.4. Hence β admits a measure of type (4, 1).

8.5. **Relation** $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1}$. The form of \mathcal{M}_2 is given by the following proposition.

Proposition 8.17. Let $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ be a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 satisfying the relation

$$(8.16) \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1}.$$

Then \mathcal{M}_2 is of the form

$$(8.17) \quad \mathcal{M}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 & \beta_X & \beta_Y & \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{XY} & \beta_{XY} & \beta_1 \\ \beta_X & \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{XY} & \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X \\ \beta_Y & \beta_{XY} & \beta_1 & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X & \beta_X & \beta_Y \\ \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^2} \\ \beta_{XY} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{XYXY} & \beta_{XY} \\ \beta_{XY} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{XYXY} & \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{XY} \\ \beta_1 & \beta_X & \beta_Y & \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{XY} & \beta_{XY} & \beta_1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof. The relation (8.16) gives us the following system in \mathcal{M}_2

$$(8.18) \quad \begin{aligned} \beta_{Y^2} &= \beta_1, & \beta_{X^2Y^2} &= \beta_{X^2}, \\ \beta_{XY^2} &= \beta_X, & \beta_{XY^3} &= \beta_{XY}, \\ \beta_{Y^3} &= \beta_Y, & \beta_{Y^4} &= \beta_{Y^2}. \end{aligned}$$

This gives the form (8.17) of \mathcal{M}_2 . □

The candidate for B_3 in a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_3 generated by the measure for \mathcal{M}_2 is given by the following.

Proposition 8.18. Let $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ be a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying the relation $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1}$. Suppose β admits a measure μ . If $\mathcal{M}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_2 & B_3 \\ B_3^t & C_3 \end{pmatrix}$ is a moment matrix generated by the measure μ , then $B(3)$ is of the form

$$(8.19) \quad B(3) = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X & \beta_X & \beta_Y \\ \beta_{X^4} & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{X^4Y} & \beta_{XYXY} & \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{XY} \\ \beta_{X^3Y} & \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{XYXY} & \beta_{XY} & \beta_{X^2} & \beta_{XY} & \beta_{XY} & \beta_1 \\ p & q & q & \beta_{X^3} & q & r & \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^2Y} \\ q & \beta_{X^3} & r & \beta_{X^2Y} & r & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X \\ q & r & r & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X \\ \beta_{X^3} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X & \beta_{X^2Y} & \beta_X & \beta_X & \beta_Y \end{pmatrix},$$

where $p, q, r \in \mathbb{R}$ are parameters.

Proof. The RG relations which must hold in \mathcal{M}_3 are

$$\mathbb{Y}^3 = \mathbb{Y}, \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{X}, \quad \mathbb{Y}^2\mathbb{X} = \mathbb{X}.$$

From these relations we get the following system:

$$(8.20) \quad \begin{aligned} \beta_{X^2Y^3} &= \beta_{X^2Y}, & \beta_{Y^5} &= \beta_1, & \beta_{XY^2XY} &= \beta_{X^2Y}, \\ \beta_{XY^4} &= \beta_{XY}, & \beta_{X^3Y^2} &= \beta_{X^3}, & \beta_{XY^4} &= \beta_X. \end{aligned}$$

Now the solution of the system (8.20) is given by the statement of the proposition. □

Theorem 8.19. Suppose $\beta \equiv \beta^{(4)}$ is a sequence with a moment matrix \mathcal{M}_2 of rank 6 satisfying the relation $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbf{1}$ and let B_3 be as in formula (8.19). Then the following are true:

(1) There exists a matrix $W \in \mathbb{R}^7 \times \mathbb{R}^{10}$ satisfying

$$B_3 = \mathcal{M}_2 W.$$

(2) We write $M = \{\mathbf{1}, \mathbb{X}, \mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}^2, \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{Y}^2\}$. Let $W_1 \in \mathbb{R}^6 \times \mathbb{R}^{10}$ be the matrix

$$W_1 = (\mathcal{M}_2|_M)^{-1} B_3|_M.$$

If $\mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_2 & B_3 \\ B_3^t & C_3 \end{pmatrix}$ is a flat extension of \mathcal{M}_2 , then $C_3 = (C_{ij})_{ij}$ is equal to $W_1^t \mathcal{M}_2|_M W_1$ and \mathcal{M} has a moment structure if and only if

$$(8.21) \quad \begin{aligned} C_{66} &= \beta_{X^2}, & C_{16} &= C_{23}, \\ C_{25} &= C_{33}, & C_{22} &= \beta_{X^4}, \\ C_{12} &= C_{13}, & C_{26} &= \beta_{XYXY} = \beta_{X^3Y}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. The proof is analogous to the proof of Theorem 8.7. Using similar arguments we prove the following claim:

Claim: $C_{47} = \beta_{X^2}$, $C_{38} = C_{46}$, $C_{48} = C_{68}$, $C_{14} = \beta_{X^4}$, $C_{28} = \beta_{44}$, $C_{27} = \beta_{X^3Y}$, $C_{37} = \beta_{XYXY}$.

By Claim the system (8.5) holds if and only if the system (8.21) holds. \square

We present now a special case which highlights the difference between the classical and tracial moment problems. In this example a flat extension of \mathcal{M}_2 to \mathcal{M}_3 exists only in the special case, but a measure for \mathcal{M}_2 always exists.

Example 8.20. For $\beta_{X^4} > 1$, the following matrices are psd moment matrices of rank 6 satisfying $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1}$,

$$\mathcal{M}_2(\beta_{X^4}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

Let us define B_3 by (8.19). Using *Mathematica* we calculate $W_1^t \mathcal{M}_2|_M W_1$ from Theorem 8.19 (2):

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{p^2}{\beta_{X^4-1}} + 2q^2 + \beta_{X^4}^2 & rq + \frac{pq}{\beta_{X^4-1}} & 2rq + \frac{pq}{\beta_{X^4-1}} & \beta_{X^4} & rq + \frac{pq}{\beta_{X^4-1}} & \frac{pr}{\beta_{X^4-1}} & \beta_{X^4} & 0 \\ rq + \frac{pq}{\beta_{X^4-1}} & \frac{q^2}{\beta_{X^4-1}} + r^2 + 1 & \frac{q^2}{\beta_{X^4-1}} + r^2 & 0 & \frac{q^2}{\beta_{X^4-1}} + 1 & \frac{qr}{\beta_{X^4-1}} & 0 & 1 \\ 2rq + \frac{pq}{\beta_{X^4-1}} & \frac{q^2}{\beta_{X^4-1}} + r^2 & \frac{q^2}{\beta_{X^4-1}} + 2r^2 & 0 & \frac{q^2}{\beta_{X^4-1}} + r^2 & \frac{qr}{\beta_{X^4-1}} & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ rq + \frac{pq}{\beta_{X^4-1}} & \frac{q^2}{\beta_{X^4-1}} + 1 & \frac{q^2}{\beta_{X^4-1}} + r^2 & 0 & \frac{q^2}{\beta_{X^4-1}} + r^2 + 1 & \frac{qr}{\beta_{X^4-1}} & 0 & 1 \\ \frac{pr}{\beta_{X^4-1}} & \frac{qr}{\beta_{X^4-1}} & \frac{qr}{\beta_{X^4-1}} & 0 & \frac{qr}{\beta_{X^4-1}} & \frac{r^2}{\beta_{X^4-1}} & 0 & 0 \\ \beta_{X^4} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

For the flat extension we must have, by Theorem 8.19,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{r^2}{\beta_{X^4} - 1} &= 1, & \frac{pr}{\beta_{X^4} - 1} &= \frac{q^2}{\beta_{X^4} - 1} + r^2, \\ \frac{q^2}{\beta_{X^4} - 1} + 1 &= \frac{q^2}{\beta_{X^4} - 1} + 2r^2, & \frac{q^2}{\beta_{X^4} - 1} + r^2 + 1 &= \beta_{X^4}, \\ rq + \frac{pq}{\beta_{X^4} - 1} &= 2rq + \frac{pq}{\beta_{X^4} - 1}, & \frac{qr}{\beta_{X^4} - 1} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Using *Mathematica* we see that these equations are satisfied if and only if

$$\beta_{X^4} = \frac{3}{2} \quad \text{in which case} \quad p = \pm \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}, \quad q = 0, \quad r = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

However, we will prove that for every $\beta_{X^4} > 1$, $\mathcal{M}_2(\beta_{X^4})$ admits a measure. We define the matrix function

$$B(\alpha) := \mathcal{M}_2(\beta_{X^4}) - \alpha A,$$

where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

A is a psd moment matrix of rank 4 satisfying the relations

$$\mathbb{X}^2 = \mathbb{1}, \quad \mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} + \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X} = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1}$$

and thus admits a measure by Theorem 3.1 (3). But then

$$B\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \beta_{X^4} - \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

is a psd cm moment matrix of rank 5 satisfying $\mathbb{Y}^2 = \mathbb{1}$ and $\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} = \mathbb{Y}\mathbb{X}$ and hence admits a 5-atomic measure with the atoms of the form $(x_j, y_j) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $j = 1, \dots, 5$, by Theorem 2.7.

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