

Crossed and semicrossed products III

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Hilbert  $C^*$ -module:  $(X, \mathcal{Q}, \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle)$

(i)  $\mathcal{Q}$  -  $C^*$ -algebra, unital

(ii)  $(X, \| \cdot \|)$  is a Banach space and a right  $\mathcal{Q}$ -module

(iii)  $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle$  is an  $\mathcal{Q}$ -valued inner product, i.e.,

$$\langle \bar{z}|na \rangle = \langle \bar{z}|n \rangle a$$

$$\langle \bar{z}|n \rangle^* = \langle n|\bar{z} \rangle$$

$$\langle \bar{z}|j + \lambda n \rangle = \langle \bar{z}|j \rangle + \lambda \langle \bar{z}|n \rangle, \quad \bar{z}, j, n \in X, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$$

and

$$\| z \|^2 = \| \langle \bar{z}|z \rangle \|, \quad z \in X.$$

$C^*$ -correspondence:  $(X, \mathcal{Q}, \varphi)$

$(X, \mathcal{Q}, \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle)$  Hilbert  $C^*$ -module

$\varphi: \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow C(X)$  \*-representation into the adjointable operators on  $X$ , unital

which allows us to view  $X$  as a left  $\mathcal{Q}$ -module

Example (Concrete  $C^*$ -correspondences)

Consider  $X \subseteq B(H)$  any closed  $\mathbb{Q}$ -bim  
where  $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq B(H)$  is any  $C^*$ -algebra, satisfying

$$X^* X \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$$

(Here  $\langle \tilde{\jmath}, n \rangle = \tilde{g}_n^*$  and

$\varphi: \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow C(X): a \mapsto M_a$  left multiplication by  $a$

Example The  $C^*$ -correspondence  $\mathbb{Q}_\alpha$ .

Let  $\mathbb{Q}$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra and  $\alpha: \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$   $*$ -  
Consider

$$\mathbb{Q}_\alpha = \mathbb{Q}$$

as a  $C^*$ -correspondence over  $\mathbb{Q}$  with

$$\varphi(a)\tilde{\jmath}b := \alpha(a)\tilde{\jmath}b, \quad \text{and}$$

$$\langle \tilde{\jmath}|n\rangle = \tilde{g}_n^*, \quad a, b, \tilde{\jmath}, n \in \mathbb{Q}.$$

A Toeplitz representation for  $(X, \mathbb{Q}, \varphi)$  is a triple  $(\pi; \dots)$   
where  $\pi \in \dots$

(i)  $\pi: \mathcal{Q} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}$  \*-representation (norm-cpt)

(ii)  $t: X \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}$  linear map satisfying

$$t(a \cdot \bar{z} \cdot a') = \pi(a) t(\bar{z}) \pi(a')$$

and

(iii)  $\pi(\langle \bar{z}, u \rangle) = t(\bar{z})^* t(u), \quad a, a' \in \mathcal{Q}, z,$

The Toeplitz  $C^*$ -algebra  $T(X, \mathcal{Q}, q)$  or simply the universal  $C^*$ -algebra for all Toeplitz representations  $(X, \mathcal{Q}, q)$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (X, \mathcal{Q}) & \xrightarrow{(\bar{\pi}, \bar{t})} & \mathcal{Z}(X) = C^*(\bar{\pi}, \bar{t}) \\ & \searrow (\pi, t) & \downarrow \exists \pi \times t \\ & & \mathcal{B} \end{array}$$

The tensor algebra  $\mathcal{Z}^+(X)$  is the norm-closure of  $\mathcal{Z}(X)$  generated by  $X$  and  $\mathcal{Q}$ .

If  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  is a concrete  $C^*$ -correspondence

$$\mathcal{Z}(X) \cong C^*(\mathcal{Q} \otimes I, X \otimes S) \subseteq \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H} \otimes \ell^2)$$

where  $S$  is the forward shift on  $\ell^2(N)$  (Kat).

Let  $(\pi, t)$  be a Toeplitz repn. of  
Then

$$\begin{aligned}\pi(a)t(1) &= t(a \cdot 1) = t(1 \cdot \alpha(a)) \\ &= t(1)\pi(\alpha(a))\end{aligned}$$

Also

$t(1)^*t(1) = \pi(\langle 1, 1 \rangle) = \pi(1) = I$   
and so the pair  $(\pi, t(1))$  forms an **covariant representation** of  $(\mathcal{Q}, \alpha)$ .

### The "right" $C^*$ -algebra

Let  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  be a represented  $C^*$ -correspondence  
and let

$$K(X) = C^*(XX^*) = \overline{\text{span}} \{ ST^* \mid S, T \in X \}$$

View both  $\mathcal{Q}$  and  $K(X)$  as multiplication (from left)  
operators on  $X$ . Let  $I \subseteq \mathcal{Q}$  be the  
kernel of this association

$$\mathcal{Q} \ni a \longrightarrow M_a \in \mathcal{B}(X)$$

A representation  $(\pi, t, J)$  of  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  is said  
**ketwise covariant** iff whenever

$$M_a = M_k, \text{ at } I^\perp, k \in \kappa(x) \quad |$$

we have

$$\pi(a) = t_*(k) \quad (t_*(ST^*) = +15)b)$$

JFA (2004)

Translated into the context of semicrossed products

- \* The correspondence  $\mathcal{Q}_\alpha$  can be viewed as a  $C^*$ -replication correspondence

$$X = V\mathcal{Q} \text{ over the } C^*\text{-algebra } \mathcal{Q}$$

where

$\overline{V}$  is the universal isometry with  $a\overline{V} = \overline{V}\alpha(a)$ ,

- \* If  $M_a = 0, a \in \mathcal{Q}$ , as a multiplication operator on

$$0 = a\overline{V}b = \overline{V}\alpha(a)b \Rightarrow \alpha(a) = 0$$

i.e.

$$I = \ker \alpha \subseteq \mathcal{Q}$$

- \*  $K(\mathcal{Q}_\alpha) = \overline{V}\mathcal{Q}\overline{V}^*$  ( $V_a b^* V^*$ )

- \* Assume  $(\pi, t)$  is Katsura covariant  
if  $M_a = M_k = M_{\pi(a)}\pi(k)^*$ , for some  $a' \in \mathcal{Q}$

$$\overline{V}h = \overline{V}\pi(a')\overline{V}^*\overline{V}b$$

$${}^aV^\mu - \tilde{V}^{\mu} a' b$$

$$\alpha(a) = a'$$

and so  $a$  and  $\tilde{V}\alpha(a)\tilde{V}^*$  when represented should be equal, provided  $a \in (\ker d)^{\perp}$

$(\pi, V)$  Katsura covariant  $\Leftrightarrow V\alpha(a)V^* = a$ , f.

In general

$\mathcal{O}_x \equiv$  universal  $C^*$ -alg. for Katsura covariant representations.

THM (Katsoulis and Kribs, 2004)

$$\mathcal{O}_x \cong C_{env}^*(Z_x^+)$$

(For more info and the latest on this line of research see the talks at Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules Online Weeken, + <http://mech.math.msu.su/~manuilov/HCM.html>)

The isomorphism problem for tensor algebras

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$\mathcal{Z}(X, \mathcal{Q}) \cong \mathcal{Z}^+(Y, \mathcal{B})$  if and only if  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$ .

$(Y, \mathcal{B})$  are unitarily equivalent, i.e., there exist

$p: \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  \*-isomorphism

and  $p$ -unitary  $u: X \rightarrow Y$  with  $p^{-1}$ -adjoint  
 $u^*: Y \rightarrow X$  so that  $uu^* = I_Y$  and  $u^*u = I_X$

$$\begin{aligned} u(a \cdot \tilde{a}') &= p(a) u(\tilde{a}) p(a') \quad \forall a, a' \in \mathcal{Q}, \tilde{a} \in \\ u^*(b \cdot b') &= p^{-1}(b) u^*(b') p^{-1}(b'), \quad \forall b, b' \in \mathcal{B}, \text{ and} \\ \langle u\tilde{x}, n \rangle &= p(\langle \tilde{x}, u^*n \rangle), \quad \tilde{x} \in X, n \end{aligned}$$

PROPOSITION If  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{B})$  are unitarily equivalent then  $\mathcal{Z}(X)$  and  $\mathcal{Z}^+(Y)$  are isomorphic (and also  $\mathcal{Z}(X) \cong \mathcal{Z}(Y)$ ).

Proof. Let  $(u, p)$  be the unitary pair implementing the equivalence between  $(X, \mathcal{Q})$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{B})$ .

If  $\tilde{x}_1, \tilde{x}_2, \dots, \tilde{x}_n \in X$  and  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathcal{Q}$  then for any representation  $(\pi, t)$  of  $(Y, \mathcal{B})$  we have

$$(\pi \times t)(p(u\tilde{x}_1, \dots, u\tilde{x}_n, p(a_1), \dots, p(a_n)))$$

$$= (\pi \circ p) \times (t \circ u)(p(\tilde{x}_1, \dots, \tilde{x}_n, a_1, \dots, a_n))$$

and so

$$\|\rho(U_1, \dots, U_n, \rho(a_1), \dots, \rho(a_m))\| \leq$$

$$\leq \|\rho(J_1, \dots, J_n, a_1, \dots, a_m)\|$$

Hence the association

$$\begin{aligned} a &\rightarrow \rho(a) \\ \xi &\rightarrow U\xi \end{aligned}$$

extends to a well-defined  $\ast$ -homomorphism  $\rho : A \rightarrow B$  with inverse  $\rho^{-1} : B^* \rightarrow A^*$ . ■

Towards the converse, we have the following

**PROPOSITION.** If  $\varphi : \mathcal{Z}^+(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}^+(Y)$  is an isometric isomorphism then  $\varphi|_{\mathcal{Q}} : \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  is a  $\ast$ -isomorphism.

Proof Note that  $\mathcal{Z}^+(X) \cap \mathcal{Z}^+(X)^* = \mathcal{Q}$  (Fourier series).

If  $w \in \mathcal{Z}^+(X) \cap \mathcal{Z}^+(\mathcal{Q})^*$  is a unitary, then  $w^{-1}$  and  $\|w\| = \|w^{-1}\| = 1$ .

Then,  $\varphi(w) \in \mathcal{Z}^+(Y)$  and  $\|\varphi(w)\| = \|\varphi(w)^{-1}\|$ .

But then  $\varphi(w)$  has to be a unitary, i.e.,

$$\varphi(w) \in \mathcal{Z}^+(Y)^* \cap \mathcal{Z}^+(X)^* = \mathcal{B}$$

Also

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(w^*) &= \varphi(w^{-1}) = \varphi(w)^{-1} = \varphi(w)^* \\ \text{i.e., } \varphi &\text{ is a } \ast\text{-isomorphism.} \end{aligned}$$
■

We will examine the Isomorphism Problem for the  $C^*$ -correspondences  $\mathcal{Q}_\alpha$ , for unital  $\mathcal{Q}$  and  $\alpha$ .

**PROPOSITION** The  $C^*$ -correspondences  $\mathcal{Q}_\alpha$  and  $\mathcal{B}_\beta$  are unitarily equivalent iff the dynamical systems  $(\mathcal{Q}, \alpha)$  and  $(\mathcal{B}, \beta)$  are outer conjugate, i.e., there exists a \*-isomorphism

$$\rho: \mathcal{Q} \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}$$

and a unitary  $u \in \mathcal{B}$  so that

$$\beta(b) = u (\rho \circ \alpha \circ \rho^{-1}(b)) u^*$$

Proof Assume that  $\mathcal{Q}_\alpha \cong \mathcal{B}_\beta$  via a unitary  $(\rho, u)$  and let  $u = u_1 \in \mathcal{B}$

Then

$$u^* u = u_1^* u_1 = \langle u_1, u_1 \rangle = \langle 1, 1 \rangle = 1$$

Also  $u u^* = 1$ . Indeed, first notice that

$$1 = u(u^*(1)) = u(1 \cdot u^*(1)) \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ = u(1) \rho(u^*(1)) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \rho(u^*(1)) = u(1)$$

or  $\rho^{-1}(u^*) = u^*(1)$

and so

$$1 = u(u^*(1)) = u(1 \cdot \rho^{-1}(u^*)) = u(1) \rho(\rho^{-1}(u^*)) = u u^*$$

Finally :

$$u \rho(\alpha(a)) = u(1) \rho(\alpha(a)) = u(\alpha(a))$$

$$= u(a \cdot 1)$$

$$= \rho(a) \cdot u(1)$$

$$= \rho(\rho(a)) u(1)$$

$$= (\rho \circ \rho)(a) u, \quad a \in \mathcal{Q}$$

Replace  $a$  with  $\rho(b)$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{B}$ , and we get

$$u(\rho \circ \alpha \circ \rho^{-1}(b)) = \beta(b)u$$

or

$$u(\rho \circ \alpha \circ \rho^{-1}(b))u^* - \epsilon(b), \quad b \in \mathbb{B}$$

For the converse, set  $u(a)(=u(1 \cdot a)) = u \cdot \rho(a)$  and note that  $u^*(b) = \rho^{-1}(u^* \cdot b)$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{B}$

This problem has a long history ...

When  $\mathcal{Q}$  is abelian it was introduced by Arveson (1969) and further studied by Peters, Hadwin and Hoover, Power.

It was finally solved by Davidson and Katsoulis in 2008 (Crelle's Z61). The isomorphisms considered there were algebraic.

Beyond  $C^*$  abelian, the isomorphisms considered are isometric.

Muhly and Solel (PLMS, 2002) for  $\alpha$  autom. w/ full Connes spectrum.

Davidson and Kats. (Math. Ann., 2008) for  $\alpha$  automorp  
 $C^*$  simple, rep.

Davidson and Katsariadis (IMRN, 2014) for injecti

surjective (unital) endomorphism and  $\alpha$  arbitrary  $C^*$ -algebra

Many other cases considered as well, e.g.,  $\mathcal{Q}$  finite and  $\alpha$  arbitrary (unital) endomorphism.

Conjecture (Davidson and Kakariadis) Let  $(\mathcal{Q}, \alpha)$  and  $(\mathcal{B}, \beta)$  be unital  $C^*$ -dynamical systems. If  $Z^+(\mathcal{Q}, \alpha)$  and  $Z^+(\mathcal{B}, \beta)$  are isometrically isomorphic, then  $(\mathcal{Q}, \alpha)$  and  $(\mathcal{B}, \beta)$  are outer conjugate.

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Let's take a closer look at  $Z^+(\mathcal{Q}, \alpha)$  ...

Let  $(\pi, t)$  be a Toeplitz repn. of  $\mathcal{Q}_\alpha$ .

Then

$$\begin{aligned}\pi(a)t(1) &= t(a \cdot 1) = t(\alpha(a)) \\ &= t(1)\pi(\alpha(a))\end{aligned}$$

Also

$$t(1)^*t(1) = \pi(\langle 1, 1 \rangle) = \pi(1) = I$$

and so the pair  $(\pi, \tau(\cdot))$  forms an isometric covariant representation of  $(Q, \alpha)$ .

Hence  $\mathcal{L}^+(Q, \alpha)$  has a crossed product like structure by being the universal operator algebra for isometric covariant representations of  $(Q, \alpha)$ .

The algebra  $\mathcal{L}^+(Q, \alpha)$  is called the semi-crossed product of  $(Q, \alpha)$  and is usually denoted as

$$Q \rtimes_{\alpha} \mathbb{Z}^+ \subseteq Q \rtimes_{\alpha} \mathbb{Z}$$

if  $\alpha$  autom.

Generalizations of main theorem.

A multivariable  $C^*$ -dynamical system consists of a  $C^*$ -algebra  $Q$  and (unital)  $*$ -endomorphisms  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n$ .

A row-isometric covariant representation of  $(Q)$  consists of

$\pi: Q \longrightarrow B$  non-degen.  $*$ -hom.  
and a row isometry  $(V_1, V_2, \dots, V_n) \in B^{(1,n)}$   
that

$$\pi(a)V_i = V_i \pi(\alpha_i(a)), \quad \forall a \in Q$$

If  $(Q, \vec{\alpha} = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n))$  is a multivariable system then the **tensor algebra**  $Z^+(Q, \vec{\alpha})$  is the universal operator algebra for all isometric covariant representations of  $(Q, \vec{\alpha})$ .

THEOREM (Kats and Ramsey, 2020) Two tensor algebras  $Z^+(Q, \vec{\alpha})$  and  $Z^+(\mathcal{B}, \vec{\beta})$  are compactly isometrically isomorphic iff the dynamical systems  $(Q, \vec{\alpha})$  and  $(\mathcal{B}, \vec{\beta})$  are unitarily equivalent after a conjugation, i.e., there exists a unitary  $u \in M_{m,n}$  (and a  $\sigma$ -isomorphism  $\rho: Q \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ ) so that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \theta_1(b) & & & \\ & \theta_2(b) & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \theta_n(b) \end{pmatrix} = u \begin{pmatrix} \rho \circ \alpha_1 \circ \rho^{-1}(b) & & & \\ & 0 & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \rho \circ \alpha_n \circ \rho^{-1}(b) \end{pmatrix} u^*, \forall$$

This extends earlier work of Kakariadis and J. Noncommutative Geom. (2014) who did the automorphic case and the case where  $Q, \mathcal{B}$  are finite with the assumption of an isometric isomorphism. (In cases also  $m=n$  as a consequence.)

Two multivariable dynamical systems  $(X, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_n)$ ,  $(Y, \tau_1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_n)$  on compact

Spaces  $X, Y$  are said to be **piecewise conjugate**  
if there exists an open cover

of  $X$  and  $\{U_a \mid a \in S_n\}$   
Homeomorphism  
so that  $f: X \rightarrow Y$

$$f^{-1} \cap f|_{U_a} = \sigma_{a(i)}|_{U_a}$$

for each  $a \in S_n$ .

**THEOREM** (Davidson and Kats., 2011)  
If the tensor algebras  $\mathcal{Z}^+(X, \sigma)$  and  $\mathcal{Z}^+(Y, \tau)$   
are algebraically isomorphic then  $(X, \sigma)$  and  
 $(Y, \tau)$  are piecewise conjugate.

The converse true if  $n=2, 3$  or  $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}$

Hence

$$C(X)_\sigma \cong C(Y)_\tau \Rightarrow (X, \sigma), (Y, \tau) \text{ piecewise congi}$$

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