

Morita equivalence of operator algebras and operator spaces

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A': Strong Morita equivalence

Ternary rings of operators, Hestenes 1961

- Let H, K be Hilbert spaces and \mathcal{M} be a subspace of $\mathcal{B}(H, K)$. We call \mathcal{M} a ternary ring of operators (TRO's) if $X, Y, Z \in \mathcal{M} \Rightarrow XY^*Z \in \mathcal{M}$. In this case the spaces $[\mathcal{M}^*\mathcal{M}], [\mathcal{M}\mathcal{M}^*]$ are selfadjoint algebras.
- Examples:
 - (i) If $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{B}(H)$ a C^* -algebra and $P, Q \in \mathcal{A}$ projections then PAQ is a TRO.
 - (ii) If H, K are Hilbert spaces then $\mathcal{B}(H, K)$ is TRO.
 - (iii) If $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathcal{B}(H, K)$ a subspace then $\mathcal{M} = [\mathcal{X}C^*(\mathcal{X}^*\mathcal{X})]$ is a TRO. Here $C^*(\mathcal{X}^*\mathcal{X})$ is the C^* algebra generated by the set $\mathcal{X}^*\mathcal{X}$.

- The C^* -algebras \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} are called strongly Morita equivalent (SME) if there exist faithful $*$ -homomorphisms

$$\alpha : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H), \beta : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(K)$$

and a TRO $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{B}(H, K)$ such that

$$\alpha(\mathcal{A}) = \overline{[\mathcal{M}^* \mathcal{M}]}^{\|\cdot\|}, \quad \beta(\mathcal{B}) = \overline{[\mathcal{M} \mathcal{M}^*]}^{\|\cdot\|}.$$

We write $\mathcal{A} \sim_{SME} \mathcal{B}$. For example the algebras $\mathbb{C}, M_n, \mathcal{K}$, where \mathcal{K} is the algebra of compact operators are SME.

- If \mathcal{A} is a C^* -algebra, we say that the pair (H, π) , where $\pi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H)$ is a $*$ -homomorphism is an object of the category ${}_{\mathcal{A}}Mod$. If $(H_i, \pi_i), i = 1, 2$ are objects the space of morphisms is;

$$Hom_{\mathcal{A}}(H_1, H_2) = \{T \in \mathcal{B}(H_1, H_2) : T\pi_1(A) = \pi_2(A)T, \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{A}\}.$$

- We write $\mathcal{A} \sim_R B$ in case there exists a functor of equivalence

$$\mathcal{F} : {}_{\mathcal{A}}\text{Mod} \rightarrow {}_B\text{Mod}$$

satisfying

$$\mathcal{F}(T^*) = \mathcal{F}(T)^*, \quad \forall \varphi \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(H_1, H_2), \quad \forall H_1, H_2 \in {}_{\mathcal{A}}\text{Mod}.$$

- If \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} are C^* -algebras then

$$\mathcal{A} \sim_{SME} \mathcal{B} \Rightarrow \mathcal{A} \sim_R \mathcal{B}.$$

The converse does not hold always.

- Example: $A \sim_R B \not\Rightarrow A \sim_{SME} B$. If $A = C([0, 1])$ and $B = C(\mathcal{T})$, where \mathcal{T} is the circle, then $A \sim_R B$. But they are not SME because the commutative C^* -algebras are SME iff they are isomorphic. This is not true in this case because $[0, 1]$ and \mathcal{T} are not homeomorphic.

- The operator algebras \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} are called strongly stably isomorphic if the algebras $\mathcal{A} \otimes_{\min} \mathcal{K}, \mathcal{B} \otimes_{\min} \mathcal{K}$ are $*$ -isomorphic. Here \mathcal{K} is the space of compact operators acting on l^2 ,
- If \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} are SME C^* -algebras which possess countable approximate units then they are strongly stably isomorphic. There exist C^* -algebras which are SME but not strongly stably isomorphic.
- Let \mathcal{A} be a II_1 factor, H be a non-separable Hilbert space and $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{B}(H)$. If \mathcal{C} is the C^* -subalgebra of \mathcal{B} generated by the finite projections of \mathcal{B} then $\mathcal{A} \sim_{SME} \mathcal{C}$ but \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{C} are not strongly stably isomorphic.

Operator algebras

- An operator space \mathcal{A} for which the space $M_n(\mathcal{A})$ is Banach algebra for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ is called operator algebra. The C^* -algebras are operator algebras.
- If \mathcal{A} is an operator algebra there exists a Hilbert space H and a completely isometric homomorphism $\pi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H)$.

Blecher, Muhly, Paulsen, 2000

- The operator algebras \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} are called strongly Morita equivalent if there exist completely isometric homomorphisms

$$\alpha : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H), \quad \beta : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(K)$$

and operator bimodules $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathcal{B}(H, K)$, $\mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathcal{B}(K, H)$ such that

$$\alpha(\mathcal{A}) = \overline{[\mathcal{V}\mathcal{U}]}^{\|\cdot\|}, \quad \beta(\mathcal{B}) = \overline{[\mathcal{U}\mathcal{V}]}^{\|\cdot\|}$$

and there exist contractive rows

$$V_t^1 \in R_{n_t}(\mathcal{V}), \quad U_s^2 \in R_{m_s}(\mathcal{U})$$

and columns

$$U_t^1 \in C_{n_t}(\mathcal{U}), \quad V_s^2 \in C_{m_s}(\mathcal{V})$$

such that $(V_t^1 U_t^1)_t$ is approximate unit for $\alpha(\mathcal{A})$ and $(U_s^2 V_s^2)_s$ is approximate unit for $\beta(\mathcal{B})$. In this case we write $\mathcal{A} \sim_{BMP} \mathcal{B}$.

- If \mathcal{A} is an operator algebra the objects of the category ${}_{\mathcal{A}}\text{OMOD}$ are operator spaces \mathcal{U} for which there exist completely contractive maps

$$\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}.$$

If $\mathcal{U}_1, \mathcal{U}_2 \in {}_{\mathcal{A}}\text{OMOD}$ the corresponding space of morphisms is

$$CB_{\mathcal{A}}(\mathcal{U}_1, \mathcal{U}_2) = \{T : \mathcal{U}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{U}_2, T \text{ is completely bounded } \mathcal{A}\text{-module map}\}.$$

A functor

$$\mathcal{F} : {}_{\mathcal{A}}\text{OMOD} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}\text{OMOD}$$

is called completely contractive if the maps

$$\mathcal{F} : CB_{\mathcal{A}}(\mathcal{U}_1, \mathcal{U}_2) \rightarrow CB_{\mathcal{A}}(\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{U}_1), \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{U}_2))$$

are completely contractive for every $\mathcal{U}_1, \mathcal{U}_2 \in {}_{\mathcal{A}}\text{OMOD}$

Blecher, Muhly, Paulsen

- If $\mathcal{A} \sim_{BMP} \mathcal{B}$ then the categories ${}_{\mathcal{A}}OMOD$, ${}_{\mathcal{B}}OMOD$ are equivalent through a cc functor.
- **Blecher, 2001**, If the categories ${}_{\mathcal{A}}OMOD$, ${}_{\mathcal{B}}OMOD$ are equivalent through a cc functor then $\mathcal{A} \sim_{BMP} \mathcal{B}$.
- If \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} are C^* -algebras then

$$\mathcal{A} \sim_{SME} \mathcal{B} \iff \mathcal{A} \sim_{BMP} \mathcal{B}.$$

- $\mathcal{A} \sim_{BMP} \mathcal{B}$ iff there exists a $\mathcal{A} - \mathcal{B}$ operator bimodule \mathcal{V} and a $\mathcal{B} - \mathcal{A}$ operator bimodule \mathcal{U} such that

$$\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{V} \otimes_{\mathcal{B}}^h \mathcal{U}, \quad \mathcal{B} = \mathcal{U} \otimes_{\mathcal{A}}^h \mathcal{V}.$$

Here $\mathcal{V} \otimes_{\mathcal{B}}^h \mathcal{U}$ is the balanced Haagerup tensor product of \mathcal{V} and \mathcal{U} which linearizes completely bounded bilinear maps $f: \mathcal{V} \times \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H)$ satisfying

$$f(TB, S) = f(T, BS), \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{V}, B \in \mathcal{B}, S \in \mathcal{U}.$$

- Let \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} be operator algebras acting on the Hilbert spaces H, K . We call them TRO equivalent if there exists a TRO $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{B}(H, K)$ such that

$$\mathcal{A} = \overline{[\mathcal{M}^* \mathcal{B} \mathcal{M}]}^{\|\cdot\|}, \quad \mathcal{B} = \overline{[\mathcal{M} \mathcal{A} \mathcal{M}^*]}^{\|\cdot\|}.$$

In this case we write $\mathcal{A} \sim_{TRO} \mathcal{B}$.

- Let \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} be operator algebras. We call them Δ equivalent if there exists completely isometric homomorphisms

$$\alpha : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \alpha(\mathcal{A}), \beta : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \beta(\mathcal{B})$$

such that

$$\alpha(\mathcal{A}) \sim_{TRO} \beta(\mathcal{B}).$$

In this case we write $\mathcal{A} \sim_{\Delta} \mathcal{B}$.

- Let \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} be operator algebras.
 - (iii) In case \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} possess countable approximate units then $\mathcal{A} \sim_{\Delta} \mathcal{B}$ iff \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} are strongly stably isomorphic.
 - (ii) If \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} are C^* -algebras then

$$\mathcal{A} \sim_{\Delta} \mathcal{B} \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{A} \sim_{BMP} \mathcal{B} \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{A} \sim_{SME} \mathcal{B}.$$

- (i) $\mathcal{A} \sim_{\Delta} \mathcal{B}$ then $\mathcal{A} \sim_{BMP} \mathcal{B}$. The converse does not hold: Example, of Blecher, Muhly, Paulsen of unital operator algebras which are *BMP*-equivalent but not stably isomorphic.
- A totally ordered set of projections \mathcal{N} is called a nest in the Hilbert space H if it is w^* -closed and contains the zero and the identity, operators. The algebra

$$\text{Alg}(\mathcal{N}) = \{T \in \mathcal{B}(H), T(N(H)) \subseteq N(H), \forall N \in \mathcal{N}\}$$

is called a nest algebra.

- Let \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} be separably acting nest algebras. The following are equivalent:
 - (i) $\mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{K} \sim_{\Delta} \mathcal{B} \cap \mathcal{K}$
 - (ii) $\mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{K}$ and $\mathcal{B} \cap \mathcal{K}$ are strongly stably isomorphic.
 - (iii) The algebras $\mathcal{A} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{B}(l^2)$ and $\mathcal{B} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{B}(l^2)$ are completely isometrically and w^* -homeomorphically isomorphic.

E, Kakariadis, 2017

- Let $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathcal{B}(H_1, H_2), \mathcal{Y} \subseteq \mathcal{B}(K_1, K_2)$ be operator spaces. We call them TRO equivalent if there exist TRO's

$$\mathcal{M}_i \subseteq \mathcal{B}(H_i, K_i), \quad i = 1, 2$$

such that

$$\mathcal{Y} = \overline{[\mathcal{M}_2^* \mathcal{X} \mathcal{M}_1]}^{\|\cdot\|}, \quad \mathcal{X} = \overline{[\mathcal{M}_2 \mathcal{Y} \mathcal{M}_1^*]}^{\|\cdot\|}.$$

We write $\mathcal{X} \sim_{TRO} \mathcal{Y}$. In case \mathcal{M}_i are σ -TRO's we write $\mathcal{X} \sim_{\sigma TRO} \mathcal{Y}$.

- Let \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} be operator spaces. We call them strongly Δ -equivalent if there exist completely isometric maps $\phi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \phi(\mathcal{X}), \psi : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \psi(\mathcal{Y})$ such that $\phi(\mathcal{X}) \sim_{TRO} \psi(\mathcal{Y})$. We write $\mathcal{X} \sim_{\Delta} \mathcal{Y}$. In case the TRO's are σ -TRO's we write $\mathcal{X} \sim_{\sigma\Delta} \mathcal{Y}$.
- (i) $\mathcal{X} \sim_{\sigma\Delta} \mathcal{Y}$ iff \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} are strongly stably isomorphic.
(ii) If $\mathcal{X} \sim_{\Delta} \mathcal{Y}$ then the TRO envelopes of \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} are Δ -equivalent.
Therefore if \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} are unital operator spaces then their C^* -envelopes are strongly stably isomorphic.

B': Weak Morita equivalence

- The W^* -algebras, (von Neumann algebras), \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} are called weakly Morita equivalent if there exist faithful w^* continuous homomorphisms $\alpha : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \alpha(\mathcal{A}), \beta : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \beta(\mathcal{B})$ and a TRO \mathcal{M} such that

$$\alpha(\mathcal{A}) = \overline{[\mathcal{M}^* \mathcal{M}]^{w^*}}, \quad \beta(\mathcal{B}) = \overline{[\mathcal{M} \mathcal{M}^*]^{w^*}}.$$

We write $\mathcal{A} \sim_{WME} \mathcal{B}$.

- The algebras $\mathbb{C}, M_n, \mathcal{B}(H)$ are weakly Morita equivalent for every Hilbert space H .
- If the von Neumann algebras \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} are $*$ -isomorphic then their commutants $\mathcal{A}', \mathcal{B}'$ are weakly Morita equivalent.
- If \mathcal{A} is a W^* -algebra, we say that the pair (H, π) , where $\pi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H)$ is a w^* continuous $*$ -homomorphism is an object of the category ${}_{\mathcal{A}}WMod$. If $(H_i, \pi_i), i = 1, 2$ are objects the space of morphisms is:

$$Hom_{\mathcal{A}}(H_1, H_2) = \{T \in B(H_1, H_2) : T\pi_1(A) = \pi_2(A)T, \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{A}\}.$$

- Let \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} be W^* algebras. The following are equivalent:
 - (i) $\mathcal{A} \sim_{WME} \mathcal{B}$
 - (ii) The categories ${}_{\mathcal{A}}WMod, {}_{\mathcal{B}}WMod$ are equivalent.
 - (iii) There exist faithful w^* -continuous homomorphisms

$$\alpha : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \alpha(\mathcal{A}), \beta : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \beta(\mathcal{B})$$

such that the commutants of $\alpha(\mathcal{A})$ and $\beta(\mathcal{B})$ to be $*$ -isomorphic.

- (iv) There exists a Hilbert space H such that the algebras $\mathcal{A} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{B}(H), \mathcal{B} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{B}(H)$ are $*$ -isomorphic.

Dual operator algebras

- An operator algebra which is dual operator space is called dual operator algebra. The C^* -algebras which are dual Banach spaces are dual operator algebras and they are called W^* -algebras.
- If \mathcal{A} is a dual operator algebra there exists a Hilbert space H and a completely isometric w^* -continuous homomorphism $\pi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H)$.

- The dual operator algebras \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} are called weakly Morita equivalent if there exist completely isometric w^* -continuous homomorphisms $\alpha : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H)$, $\beta : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(K)$ and operator bimodules $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathcal{B}(H, K)$, $\mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathcal{B}(K, H)$ such that $\alpha(A) = \overline{[\mathcal{V}\mathcal{U}]^{w^*}}$, $\beta(B) = \overline{[\mathcal{U}\mathcal{V}]^{w^*}}$ and there exist contractive rows $V_t^1 \in R_{n_t}(\mathcal{V})$, $U_s^2 \in R_{m_s}(\mathcal{U})$ and columns $U_t^1 \in C_{n_t}(\mathcal{U})$, $V_s^2 \in C_{m_s}(\mathcal{V})$ such that $(V_t^1 U_t^1)_t$ is approximate in w^* -topology unit for $\alpha(A)$ and $(U_s^2 V_s^2)_s$ is approximate unit for $\beta(B)$. In this case we write $\mathcal{A} \sim_{BK} \mathcal{B}$.
- $\mathcal{A} \sim_{BK} \mathcal{B}$ iff there exists a $\mathcal{A} - \mathcal{B}$ dual operator bimodule \mathcal{V} and a $\mathcal{B} - \mathcal{A}$ dual operator bimodule \mathcal{U} such that

$$\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{V} \otimes_{\mathcal{B}}^{\sigma h} \mathcal{U}, \quad \mathcal{B} = \mathcal{U} \otimes_{\mathcal{A}}^{\sigma h} \mathcal{V}.$$

Here $\mathcal{V} \otimes_{\mathcal{B}}^{\sigma h} \mathcal{U}$ is the w^* -balanced Haagerup tensor product of \mathcal{V} and \mathcal{U} which linearizes w^* -continuous completely bounded bilinear maps $f : \mathcal{V} \times \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H)$ satisfying

$$f(TB, S) = f(T, BS), \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{V}, B \in \mathcal{B}, S \in \mathcal{U}.$$

- If \mathcal{A} is a dual operator algebra the objects of the category ${}_{\mathcal{A}}\text{WOMOD}$ are dual operator spaces \mathcal{U} for which there exist completely contractive w^* -continuous maps

$$\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}.$$

If $\mathcal{U}_1, \mathcal{U}_2 \in {}_{\mathcal{A}}\text{WOMOD}$ the corresponding space of morphisms is

$$CB_{\mathcal{A}}^w(\mathcal{U}_1, \mathcal{U}_2) =$$

$\{T : \mathcal{U}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{U}_2, T \text{ is } w^* \text{ continuous completely bounded } \mathcal{A} \text{ - module map}\}.$

A functor

$$\mathcal{F} : {}_{\mathcal{A}}\text{WOMOD} \rightarrow {}_{\mathcal{B}}\text{WOMOD}$$

is called completely contractive if the maps

$$\mathcal{F} : CB_{\mathcal{A}}^w(\mathcal{U}_1, \mathcal{U}_2) \rightarrow CB_{\mathcal{B}}^w(\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{U}_1), \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{U}_2))$$

is completely contractive for every $\mathcal{U}_1, \mathcal{U}_2 \in {}_{\mathcal{A}}\text{WOMOD}$.

- $\mathcal{A} \sim_{BK} \mathcal{B}$ iff the categories ${}_{\mathcal{A}}\text{WOMOD} \rightarrow {}_{\mathcal{B}}\text{WOMOD}$ are equivalent through a cc functor.

- The dual operator spaces \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} are called weakly Δ equivalent if there exist w^* -continuous complete isometries $\phi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \phi(\mathcal{X}), \psi : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \psi(\mathcal{Y})$ and there exists TRO's $\mathcal{M}_i, i = 1, 2$ such that
$$\psi(\mathcal{Y}) = [\mathcal{M}_2^* \phi(\mathcal{X}) \mathcal{M}_1]^{w^*}, \quad \phi(\mathcal{X}) = [\mathcal{M}_2 \psi(\mathcal{Y}) \mathcal{M}_1^*]^{w^*}.$$
 In this case we write $\mathcal{X} \sim_{w\Delta} \mathcal{Y}$.

- If \mathcal{D} is a dual operator algebra then the category ${}_{\mathcal{D}}\mathfrak{M}$ has objects pairs (H, π) , where $\pi : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H)$ is a normal representation of \mathcal{D} . If $(H_i, \pi_i) \in {}_{\mathcal{D}}\mathfrak{M}, i = 1, 2$ the corresponding space of homomorphisms is

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}}(H_1, H_2) = \{T \in \mathcal{B}(H_1, H_2), T\pi_1(A) = \pi_2(A)T, \forall A \in \mathcal{D}\}.$$

Notice that if $\Delta(\mathcal{D}) = \mathcal{D} \cap \mathcal{D}^*$ then for

$(H_i, \pi_i) \in {}_{\mathcal{D}}\mathfrak{M} \Rightarrow (H_i, \pi_i) \in \Delta(\mathcal{D})\mathfrak{M}, i = 1, 2$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}_{\Delta(\mathcal{D})}(H_1, H_2) &= \{T \in \mathcal{B}(H_1, H_2), T\pi_1(A) = \pi_2(A)T, \forall A \in \Delta(\mathcal{D})\} \supseteq \\ &\supseteq \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}}(H_1, H_2). \end{aligned}$$

- Let \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} be dual operator algebras. Then a functor $\mathcal{F} : \Delta(\mathcal{A})\mathfrak{M} \rightarrow \Delta(\mathcal{B})\mathfrak{M}$ is called Δ -restricting if

$$\mathcal{F}(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(H_1, H_2)) \subseteq \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{F}(H_1), \mathcal{F}(H_2)), \forall H_i \in {}_{\mathcal{A}}\mathfrak{M}.$$

Theorem: $\mathcal{A} \sim_{W\Delta} \mathcal{B}$ iff there exists a Δ -restricting functor of equivalence

$$\mathcal{F} : \Delta(\mathcal{A})\mathfrak{M} \rightarrow \Delta(\mathcal{B})\mathfrak{M}.$$

- **E, Paulsen, 2008** Let \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} be dual operator algebras. Then $\mathcal{A} \sim_{W\Delta} \mathcal{B}$ iff there exists a Hilbert space H such that the algebras $\mathcal{A} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{B}(H), \mathcal{B} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{B}(H)$ are completely isometric and w^* homeomorphic as algebras.
- **E, Paulsen, Todorov, 2010** Let \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} be dual operator spaces. Then $\mathcal{X} \sim_{W\Delta} \mathcal{Y}$ iff there exists a Hilbert space H such that the spaces $\mathcal{X} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{B}(H), \mathcal{Y} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{B}(H)$ are completely isometric and w^* homeomorphic.
- **E, Kakariadis, 2017** If \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} are Δ -equivalent operator spaces then $\mathcal{X}^{**} \sim_{W\Delta} \mathcal{Y}^{**}$.

- The nest algebras $\mathcal{A} = Alg(\mathcal{N}_1), \mathcal{B} = Alg(\mathcal{N}_2)$ are weakly Morita equivalent in the sense of Blecher Kashyap iff the nests $\mathcal{N}_1, \mathcal{N}_2$ are isomorphic.
- The nest algebras $\mathcal{A} = Alg(\mathcal{N}_1), \mathcal{B} = Alg(\mathcal{N}_2)$ are weakly Δ - equivalent iff there exists a $*$ -isomorphism $\theta : (\mathcal{N}_1)'' \rightarrow (\mathcal{N}_2)''$ such that $\theta(\mathcal{N}_1) = \mathcal{N}_2$.
- There exist isomorphic nests $\mathcal{N}_1, \mathcal{N}_2$ for which the von Neumann algebra $(\mathcal{N}_1)''$ is atomic but the algebra $(\mathcal{N}_2)''$ has continuous part. Therefore these algebras cant be $*$ -isomorphic. Thus the nest algebras $\mathcal{A} = Alg(\mathcal{N}_1), \mathcal{B} = Alg(\mathcal{N}_2)$ are Morita equivalent in the sense of Blecher Kashyap but not weakly Δ - equivalent and so not stably isomorphic.

Davidson, book

- We consider the counting measure μ on \mathcal{Q} and the nest

$$\mathcal{N}_1 = \{Q_t, P_t : t \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

acting on the Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R}, \mu)$, where

$$Q_t = \{f : f|_{(t, +\infty)} = 0\}, \quad P_t = \{f : f|_{[t, +\infty)} = 0\}.$$

The atoms of this nest are the characteristic functions $\chi_{\{t\}}, t \in \mathcal{Q}$ which generate the von Neumann algebra $(\mathcal{N}_1)''$.

- If $t \in \mathbb{R}, N_t$ is the projection on $L^2((-\infty, t], \lambda), \lambda$ is the Lebesgue measure. We consider the nest $\mathcal{N}_2 = \{Q_t \oplus N_t, P_t \oplus N_t, t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ acting on the Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R}, \mu) \oplus L^2(\mathbb{R}, \lambda)$. The map $\mathcal{N}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{N}_1, Q_t \oplus N_t \rightarrow Q_t, P_t \oplus N_t \rightarrow P_t$ is a nest isomorphism. Thus, $\mathcal{A} = \text{Alg}(\mathcal{N}_1), \mathcal{B} = \text{Alg}(\mathcal{N}_2)$ are Morita equivalent in the sense of Blecher Kashyap. But the algebras $(\mathcal{N}_1)'', (\mathcal{N}_2)''$ cant be isomorphic, since $(\mathcal{N}_2)'' \sim l^\infty(\mathbb{N}) \oplus L^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ has continuous part. Thus $\mathcal{A} = \text{Alg}(\mathcal{N}_1), \mathcal{B} = \text{Alg}(\mathcal{N}_2)$ cant be Δ -equivalent.

E, 2018

- Let \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} be dual operator algebras. We say that \mathcal{B} TRO-embeds into \mathcal{A} if there exists a TRO \mathcal{M} such that

$$\mathcal{B} = \overline{[\mathcal{M}^* \mathcal{A} \mathcal{M}]^{w^*}}, \quad \mathcal{M} \mathcal{B} \mathcal{M}^* \subseteq \mathcal{A}.$$

We write in this case $\mathcal{B} \subset_{TRO} \mathcal{A}$. If β is a completely isometric normal representation of \mathcal{B} and α of \mathcal{A} such that $\beta(\mathcal{B}) \subset_{TRO} \alpha(\mathcal{A})$ we say that the algebra \mathcal{B}, Δ -embeds into \mathcal{A} and we write $\mathcal{B} \subset_{\Delta} \mathcal{A}$.

- Let \mathcal{L} be a lattice of projections acting on the Hilbert space H . Then

$$\text{Alg}(\mathcal{L}) = \{T \in \mathcal{B}(H) : T(L(H)) \subseteq L(H)\}$$

is a dual operator algebra.

- If $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{B}(H)$ a unital algebra,

$$\text{Lat}(\mathcal{A}) = \{L \in \mathcal{B}(H) : L = \text{projection}, T(L(H)) \subseteq L(H) \forall T \in \mathcal{A}\}.$$

- If \mathcal{L} is lattice satisfying

$$\text{Lat}(\text{Alg}(\mathcal{L})) = \mathcal{L},$$

we call \mathcal{L} reflexive lattice.

- Let \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} be dual operator algebras. The following are equivalent
 - $\mathcal{B} \subset_{\Delta} \mathcal{A}$.
 - There exist reflexive lattices $\mathcal{L}_i, i = 1, 2$ and w^* continuous completely isometric onto homomorphisms

$$\alpha : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow Alg(\mathcal{L}_1), \quad \beta : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow Alg(\mathcal{L}_2)$$

and an onto w^* continuous homomorphism

$$\theta : \Delta(\mathcal{A})' = \mathcal{L}_1'' \rightarrow \Delta(\mathcal{B})' = \mathcal{L}_2''$$

such that

$$\theta(\mathcal{L}_1) = \mathcal{L}_2.$$

- There exists a Hilbert space H and a projection $Q \in \mathcal{A}$ such that the algebras

$$\mathcal{B} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{B}(H), \quad Q\mathcal{A}Q \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{B}(H)$$

are completely isometrically and w^* -homeomorphically isomorphic.

- In case \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} are von Neumann algebras we have that
 - (i) $\mathcal{B} \subset_{\Delta} \mathcal{A}$ iff there exists a w^* -continuous onto homomorphism from $\mathcal{A} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{B}(H)$ onto $\mathcal{B} \bar{\otimes} \mathcal{B}(H)$.
 - (ii) $\mathcal{B} \subset_{\Delta} \mathcal{A}$ iff there exists a w^* -closed ideal $\mathcal{I} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$ such that $\mathcal{B} \sim_{W\Delta} \mathcal{A}/\mathcal{I}$
 - (iii) If $\mathcal{B} \subset_{\Delta} \mathcal{A}$ and $\mathcal{A} \subset_{\Delta} \mathcal{B}$ then $\mathcal{B} \sim_{W\Delta} \mathcal{A}$

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