

C^* -Crossed Products, Duality, and Homogeneous Spaces

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Abstract:

The theory of crossed products of C^* -algebras by coactions of locally compact abelian groups runs parallel to that of actions: each coaction of a group corresponds to an action of the dual group. In the non-abelian case, coactions still behave like actions of a dual group, until we pass to subgroups, when the symmetry spontaneously breaks down. Specifically, actions can be restricted to non-normal subgroups, but it is not known in general how to restrict coactions to non-normal quotients, *i.e.*, homogeneous spaces.

This talk will be a survey of the surprising variety of recent approaches to this problem, a variety which includes Fell bundles, generalized fixed-point algebras, graph algebras, groupoids, and Hecke algebras.

ACTIONS

$$\alpha: A \rightarrow C_b(G, A) \subseteq M(A \otimes C_0(G))$$

$$A \rtimes_{\alpha} G = \overline{\text{span}}\{i_A(a)i_G(z) \mid a \in A, z \in C^*(G)\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A \rtimes_{\alpha, r} G &= \overline{\text{span}}\{(\pi \otimes M) \circ \alpha(a)(1 \otimes \lambda)(z) \mid a \in A, z \in C^*(G)\} \\ &\subseteq B(\mathcal{H}_{\pi} \otimes L^2(G)) \end{aligned}$$

COACTIONS

$$\delta: B \rightarrow M(B \otimes C^*(G))$$

$$B \rtimes_{\delta} G = \overline{\text{span}}\{j_B(b)j_G(f) \mid b \in B, f \in C_0(G)\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\cong \overline{\text{span}}\{(\pi \otimes \lambda) \circ \delta(b)(1 \otimes M)(f) \mid b \in B, f \in C_0(G)\} \\ &\subseteq B(\mathcal{H}_{\pi} \otimes L^2(G)) \end{aligned}$$

RESTRICTION

$H \subseteq G$ closed subgroup

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & M(A \otimes C_0(G)) \\ & \searrow \alpha| & \downarrow \text{id}_A \otimes r \\ & & M(A \otimes C_0(H)) \end{array}$$

$N \subseteq G$ closed *normal* subgroup

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B & \xrightarrow{\delta} & M(B \otimes C^*(G)) \\ & \searrow \delta| & \downarrow \text{id}_B \otimes q \\ & & M(B \otimes C^*(G/N)) \end{array}$$

DUAL COACTIONS

For an action (A, G, α) and a closed subgroup $H \subseteq G$,
Green '78:

$$(A \otimes C_0(G/H)) \rtimes_{\alpha \otimes \text{lt}} G \sim A \rtimes_{\alpha|} H.$$

For $N \subseteq G$ normal,

$$A \rtimes_{\alpha} G \rtimes_{\hat{\alpha}|} G/N \cong (A \otimes C_0(G/N)) \rtimes_{\alpha \otimes \text{lt}} G.$$

So for $H \subseteq G$ not normal we can *define*

$$B \rtimes_{\delta|} G/H := (A \otimes C_0(G/H)) \rtimes_{\alpha \otimes \text{lt}} G$$

when $(B, G, \delta) = (A \rtimes_{\alpha} G, G, \hat{\alpha})$ is a dual coaction.

Green's Theorem becomes:

$$A \rtimes_{\alpha} G \rtimes_{\hat{\alpha}|} G/H \sim A \rtimes_{\alpha|} H.$$

Echterhoff, K, Raeburn '98:

$$B \rtimes_{\delta} G \rtimes_{\delta|} H \sim B \rtimes_{\delta|} G/H$$

for a dual coaction (B, G, δ) .

DISCRETE GROUPS

For G discrete:

coaction of G Fell bundle over G cross-sectional algebra

$$(B, G, \delta) \longrightarrow \mathcal{B} \longrightarrow (C^*(\mathcal{B}), G, \delta^m)$$

$$\mathcal{B} = \{B_s \mid s \in G\}, \quad B_s = \{b \in B \mid \delta(b) = b \otimes s\}$$

For $N \subseteq G$ normal (and δ maximal),

$$B \rtimes_{\delta|} G/N \cong C^*(\mathcal{B} \times G/N),$$

where $\mathcal{B} \times G/N$ is a Fell bundle over the transformation groupoid $G \times G/N$.

So for $H \subseteq G$ not normal we can *define*

$$B \rtimes_{\delta|} G/H := C^*(\mathcal{B} \times G/H)$$

when G is discrete (and is δ maximal).

Echterhoff, Quigg '02:

$$B \rtimes_{\delta} G \rtimes_{\delta|} H \sim C^*(\mathcal{B} \times G/H).$$

FIXED-POINT ALGEBRAS

For a reduced coaction (B, G, δ) and $N \subseteq G$ normal,

$$\begin{aligned} B \rtimes_{\delta} G/N &\cong \overline{\text{span}}\{(\pi \otimes \text{id}) \circ \delta(b)(1 \otimes M|(f)) \mid \\ &\quad b \in B, f \in C_0(G/N)\} \\ &\subseteq B(\mathcal{H}_\pi \otimes L^2(G)). \end{aligned}$$

So for $H \subseteq G$ not normal we can *define*

$$\begin{aligned} B \rtimes_{\delta, r} G/H &:= \overline{\text{span}}\{(\pi \otimes \text{id}) \circ \delta(b)(1 \otimes M|(f)) \mid \\ &\quad b \in B, f \in C_0(G/H)\}. \end{aligned}$$

an Huef, Raeburn p'02: The restriction to H of the dual action on $B \rtimes_{\delta} G$ is proper and saturated. . . Thus,

$$B \rtimes_{\delta} G \rtimes_{\widehat{\delta}, r} H \sim (B \rtimes_{\delta} G)^{\widehat{\delta}|_H}.$$

Moreover,

$$(B \rtimes_{\delta} G)^{\widehat{\delta}|_H} \cong B \rtimes_{\delta, r} G/H.$$

GRAPH ALGEBRAS

labelled graph

skew product graph

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (E, G, c) & \longrightarrow & E \times_c G \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 (C^*(E), G, \delta_c) & \longrightarrow & C^*(E \times_c G) \\
 & & \downarrow \cong \\
 & & C^*(E) \rtimes_{\delta_c} G
 \end{array}$$

For $H \subseteq G$ any subgroup:

labelled graph

relative
skew product
graph

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (E, G, c) & \longrightarrow & E \times_c G/H \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 (C^*(E), G, \delta_c) & \longrightarrow & C^*(E \times_c G/H) \\
 & & \downarrow \cong \\
 & & C^*(E) \rtimes_{\delta_c, r} G/H
 \end{array}$$

MAXIMAL COACTIONS

For any coaction (B, G, δ) , the map

$$\Phi := (\text{id} \otimes \lambda) \circ \delta \times (1 \otimes M) \times (1 \otimes \rho): \\ B \rtimes_{\delta} G \rtimes_{\hat{\delta}} G \rightarrow B \otimes \mathcal{K}(L^2(G))$$

is a surjection.

The resulting right-Hilbert bimodule:

$$B \rtimes_{\delta} G \rtimes_{\hat{\delta}} G \xrightarrow{K := B \otimes L^2(G)} B$$

is called the *Katayama bimodule*.

Def'n. (B, G, δ) is *maximal* if Φ is an isomorphism.

Thus K is a $B \rtimes_{\delta} G \rtimes_{\hat{\delta}} G - B$ imprimitivity bimodule when δ is maximal.

(B, G, δ) is *normal* if the kernel of Φ is the regular kernel; thus $B \otimes L^2(G)$ becomes a $B \rtimes_{\delta} G \rtimes_{\hat{\delta}, r} G - B$ imprimitivity bimodule when δ is normal.

Ex. Every dual coaction is maximal.

Thm. [cf. Echterhoff, K, Quigg p'01] For every coaction (B, G, δ) there exists a maximal coaction (B^m, G, δ^m) and a normal coaction (B^n, G, δ^n) , and equivariant surjections

$$B^m \xrightarrow{\phi} B \xrightarrow{\psi} B^n$$

which induce isomorphisms of the crossed products:

$$B^m \rtimes_{\delta^m} G \xrightarrow{\cong} B \rtimes_{\delta} G \xrightarrow{\cong} B^n \rtimes_{\delta^n} G.$$

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|------------------------|---|----------------------------|
| B^m | $B \rtimes_{\delta} G \rtimes_{\widehat{\delta}} G \sim B^m$ | “full Katayama duality” |
| \downarrow ϕ | | |
| B | $B \rtimes_{\delta} G \rtimes_{\widehat{\delta}, \mu} G \sim B$ | |
| \downarrow ψ | | |
| B^n | $B \rtimes_{\delta} G \rtimes_{\widehat{\delta}, r} G \sim B^n$ | “reduced Katayama duality” |

For any coaction (B, G, δ) , there exists a $\widehat{\delta} - \delta$ compatible coaction δ_K on the Katayama bimodule.

Thus:

Thm. [K, Quigg] For any maximal coaction (B, G, δ) , and any closed normal subgroup $N \subseteq G$,

$$B \rtimes_{\delta} G \rtimes_{\widehat{\delta}|} N \sim B \rtimes_{\delta|} G/N.$$

Proof. Compose bimodules:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 B \rtimes_{\delta} G \rtimes_{\widehat{\delta}|} N & \xrightarrow{\quad} & B \rtimes_{\delta|} G/N \\
 \uparrow K \rtimes G \rtimes N & & \uparrow K \rtimes G/N \\
 B \rtimes_{\delta} G \rtimes_{\widehat{\delta}} G \rtimes_{\widehat{\delta}|} N & \xrightarrow{\text{EKR}} & B \rtimes_{\delta} G \rtimes_{\widehat{\delta}} G \rtimes_{\widehat{\delta}|} G/N
 \end{array}$$

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