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Irrational rotation algebra / noncommutative torus / quantum torus

$\theta \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$  fixed

$\mathcal{H} = L^2(S^1) = L^2(\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z})$  uniform Lebesgue measure

$$z(t) = \exp(2\pi i t)$$

$(Uf)(t) = z(t)f(t)$  multiplication operator

$(Vf)(t) = f(t-\theta)$  phase translation

both unitary operators on  $\mathcal{H}$

$$(VUf)(t) = (Uf)(t-\theta) = z(t-\theta)f(t-\theta)$$

$$(UVf)(t) = z(t)f(t-\theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow UV = e^{2\pi i \theta} VU$$

$A_\theta = C^*$ -algebra generated by two unitaries  $U, V$  with commutation relation

$$UV = e^{2\pi i \theta} VU$$

(if fact can define  $A_\theta$  as universal  $C^*$ -alg w/ relations

$$U^*U = UU^* = 1 \quad V^*V = VV^* = 1 \quad UV = e^{2\pi i \theta} VU)$$

$A_\theta \cong C(S^1) \rtimes_\alpha \mathbb{Z}$  crossed product algebra description

where  $U =$  generator of algebra  $C(S^1)$

enough to see  $\sigma(U) = S^1$  but  $\alpha(U) = VUV^* = e^{-2\pi i \theta} U$

so  $\sigma(U)$  invariant under rotation by  $2\pi i \theta$   $\theta$ -irrational (dense in  $S^1$ )

$$\Rightarrow \sigma(U) = S^1$$

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$C(S^1)$   $f(z) = \sum a_n z^n$  Laurent series  
or Fourier series as

$$f(t) = \sum a_n \exp(2\pi i n \frac{t}{L})$$

$(\pi, V)$  rep  $\pi: (S^1) \rightarrow B(C(S^1))$  multipl. operators

$$U = \pi(z) \quad \text{and} \quad V: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow B(C(S^1))$$

$$\text{generators } V = V(1) \quad V(n)(f)(z) = f(e^{2\pi i n} z)$$

$$V(n) \pi(f) V(n)^* = \pi(f \circ R_n^{-1})$$

$$R_n(z) = e^{2\pi i n} z$$

$$\alpha(f) = f \circ R_1^{-1}$$

$$C(S^1) \rtimes_{\alpha} \mathbb{Z} \cong A_{\theta}$$

Interpretation as quotient space:

Action of  $\mathbb{Z}$  on  $S^1$  by irrational translation

$$z \mapsto e^{2\pi i \theta} z$$

$$e^{2\pi i t} \mapsto e^{2\pi i (t+\theta)}$$

has dense orbits: usual quotient  $Y = S^1 / \mathbb{Z} = S^1 / e^{2\pi i \theta} \mathbb{Z}$

would have  $C(Y) = \mathbb{C}$  only constant functions

But  $A_{\theta}$  is NC quotient: nontrivial algebra of functions

Relation to elliptic curves

(why NC torus?)

a 1-dim complex torus (or elliptic curve)

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a quotient  $\mathbb{C}/\Lambda$  where  $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  a lattice

i.e. rank 2 abelian group  $\Lambda \cong \mathbb{Z}^2$

$\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}\omega_1 + \mathbb{Z}\omega_2$   $\omega_1, \omega_2 \in \mathbb{C}$  lin indep over  $\mathbb{R}$

i.e. ~~is~~ cocompact  $\mathbb{C}/\Lambda$  compact (from this cond.)

up to a change of coords:

$\Lambda = \mathbb{Z} + \mathbb{Z}\tau$   $\tau \in \mathbb{H} =$  upper half plane

when  $\mathbb{C}/\Lambda_1 = E_{\tau_1}(\mathbb{C})$  and  $\mathbb{C}/\Lambda_2 = E_{\tau_2}(\mathbb{C})$  are isomorphic complex varieties?

When  $\exists g \in SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$   $g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$  such that

$$\tau_1 = g(\tau_2) = \frac{a\tau_2 + b}{c\tau_2 + d}$$

in fact if  $\phi: E_{\tau_1} \rightarrow E_{\tau_2}$  biholom. map

$\exists \Phi: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  biholom s.t.  $\pi_2 \circ \Phi = \phi \circ \pi_1$

$\pi_2: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}/\Lambda_2$   $\pi_1: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}/\Lambda_1$  quotient maps

$$\pi_2 \circ \phi(z + \tau_1) = \phi \circ \pi_1(z + \tau_1) = \phi \circ \pi_1(z) = \pi_2 \circ \phi(z)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(z + \tau_1) = \phi(z) + \text{some integers } a, b$$

$$\text{same: } \phi(z + \tau_2) = \phi(z) + c\tau_2 + d$$

Same reasoning applied to  $\phi^{-1}$  shows  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$

We'll see analogous statement for NC tori: Morita equivalence for  $\theta_1 = g(\theta_2)$   $g \in SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$

See  $A_\theta$  as a "limiting case of an elliptic curve"

$$\mathbb{C}/\Lambda = (\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z})/\mathbb{Z}$$

mod out by two commuting actions of  $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}\tau$

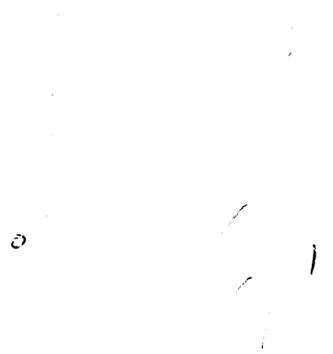
one after the other

instead of simultaneously

$\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} : z \mapsto z+1$  translations

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gives a cylinder  
of width 1



equivalent description: changing coordinates via  
exponential map

$$\begin{aligned} \exp : \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} &\longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} \\ z &\longmapsto \exp(2\pi i z) \end{aligned}$$

$z \in [0, 1) \subset \mathbb{R} \subset \mathbb{C}$  maps to  $S^1$

$\text{Im } z < 0$  maps to  $D \setminus \{0\} = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^* : |\lambda| < 1\}$

$\text{Im } z > 0$  maps to  $\{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^* : |\lambda| > 1\}$

Then mod out by second action  $\mathbb{Z}\tau$

in new coordinates action becomes

$$\begin{aligned} z \in \mathbb{C}^* &\longmapsto q \cdot z \\ \text{"} &\text{"} \\ \exp(2\pi i w) & \quad q = \exp(2\pi i \tau) \quad |q| \neq 1 \\ w \in \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} & \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbb{C}^*/q\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} + \mathbb{Z}\tau$$

Jacobi uniformization  
of elliptic curve

$$E_q(\mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{C}^*/q\mathbb{Z}$$

What happens when  $|q| \rightarrow 1$

two cases:  $q \rightarrow \exp(2\pi i \frac{n}{m})$  a root of unity in  $S^1$   
 $\xi^m = 1$

then  $\mathbb{C}^* / q\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{C}^*$

it is another cylinder of smaller width mapped to isomorphic ~~cylinder~~  $\mathbb{C}^*$  under exp map in terms of lattices  
(isom. given by multiply by  $q$ )  $(\mathbb{Z} + \mathbb{Z}\tau \rightsquigarrow \mathbb{Z} + \mathbb{Z}\frac{\tau}{m})$   
not lin indep over  $\mathbb{Q}$

More interesting case when  $q \rightarrow \exp(2\pi i\theta) \quad \theta \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$

then  $\mathbb{C}^* / q\mathbb{Z} \cong (S^1 / q\mathbb{Z}) \times \mathbb{R}^*$   
"bad quotient" NC torus

"invisible degeneration of elliptic curve"

### Semigroups

notation: monoid w/ unit

$S$  associative product  
unit element  
(not necessarily inverses)

$R$  commutative ring with unit

$R[S]$  semigroup ring (discrete case)

$f: S \rightarrow R$  finite support  $(f_1 * f_2)(s) = \sum_{S=S_1 S_2} f_1(s_1) f_2(s_2)$

$f = \sum_{s \in S} a_s \delta_s \quad f_1 * f_2 = \sum a_{s_1} b_{s_2} \delta_{s_1 s_2}$

What about  $C^*$ -algebraic version?

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$R = \mathbb{C}$  but no involution on  $\mathbb{C}[S]$   
(because  $u$  inverses in general)

$\ell^2(S) = \mathcal{H}$  Hilbert space (for  $S$  discrete)

Can represent  $\mathbb{C}[S]$  as bounded operators on  $\ell^2(S)$

by  $f = \sum_{s \in S} a_s \delta_s$

$\{\varepsilon_r\}_{r \in S}$  o.n. basis of  $\mathbb{C}[S]$

$$\pi(f) \varepsilon_r = \sum_{s \in S} a_s \delta_s(\varepsilon_r)$$

where  $\delta_s(\varepsilon_r) = \varepsilon_{sr}$   
multiplicative shift of indices

$$\pi(f) \varepsilon_r = \sum_{s \in S} a_s \varepsilon_{sr}$$

Adjoint:  $\xi \in \ell^2(S)$   $\xi = \sum_{r \in S} c_r \varepsilon_r$

$$\langle \xi_1, \xi_2 \rangle = \sum_{s \in S} \overline{\xi_1(s)} \xi_2(s)$$

$$\delta_s^* \varepsilon_r = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } r \neq su \\ \varepsilon_u & \text{if } r = su \end{cases}$$

$$\langle \xi_1, \pi(f) \xi_2 \rangle = \sum_{s \in S} \overline{\xi_1(s)} (f * \xi_2)(s)$$

$$= \sum_{s \in S} \overline{\xi_1(s)} \sum_{s_1, s_2} f(s_1) \xi_2(s_2)$$

$$\xi_1 = \sum c_r \varepsilon_r$$

$$f = \sum a_s \delta_s$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$c r u \quad a_s \quad s u$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{s: \exists r \mid s \\ s=ru}} \overline{\xi_1(r)} f(s) \xi_2(u) = \sum_{\substack{s: \exists r \\ s=ru}} (\pi(f) \xi_1)(u) \xi_2(u)$$

$$\delta_S^* \delta_S \varepsilon_r = \begin{cases} \varepsilon_r & \forall r \in S \\ 0 & r \neq su \\ \varepsilon_r & r = su \end{cases} \quad \delta_S^* \delta_S = 1 \quad (7)$$

$$\delta_S \delta_S^* \varepsilon_r = \begin{cases} 0 & r \neq su \\ \varepsilon_r & r = su \end{cases} \quad \delta_S \delta_S^* = P_S$$

$P_S =$  orthog. proj. on subspace of  $\mathcal{H}$  spanned by  $\varepsilon_r$  w/  $r = su$  for some  $u \in S$ .

$\delta_S$  no longer unitaries but isometries

(not normal operators: do not commute with adjoints)

### Creation-annihilation operators

$\mathcal{H} = \ell^2(\mathbb{N} \cup \{0\})$  basis  $\{\varepsilon_n\}_{n \geq 0}$

$$S \varepsilon_n = \varepsilon_{n+1} \quad \text{range}(S) = \mathcal{H}_1 \subset \mathcal{H}$$

$$S^* \varepsilon_n = \begin{cases} 0 & n=0 \\ \varepsilon_{n-1} & n \geq 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{Span}\{\varepsilon_n : n \geq 1\}$$

unilateral shift "phase part" of creation operator of QM

$$a^\dagger, a \quad a^* = a^\dagger \text{ acting on } \ell^2(\mathbb{N} \cup \{0\})$$

$$a^\dagger \varepsilon_n = \sqrt{n+1} \varepsilon_{n+1} \quad a \varepsilon_n = \begin{cases} \sqrt{n} \varepsilon_{n-1} \\ 0 & n=0 \end{cases}$$

$$[a^\dagger, a] = 1 \quad a^\dagger = N^{1/2} S \quad a = S^* N^{1/2}$$

polar decomposition

$N \varepsilon_n = n \varepsilon_n$  occupation number (grading operator)

$$[N, S] = -S \quad \text{Hamiltonian } H = a^\dagger a$$

$$\text{Sp}(H) = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$$

# C\*-algebras generated by isometries

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Toeplitz algebras and Cuntz algebras

$\mathcal{B} =$  finite set  $T_a \quad a \in \mathcal{B}$  family of isometries  
 $T_a^* T_a = 1 \quad T_a T_a^* = P_a$

with mutually orthogonal range projections  $P_a$

$$P_a P_b = \delta_{ab}$$

$\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{B}}$  = universal unital C\*-algebra generated by these  $T_a$

$$P_{\mathcal{B}} = \sum_{a \in \mathcal{B}} P_a \quad \text{projector} \quad P_{\mathcal{B}}^* = P_{\mathcal{B}} = P_{\mathcal{B}}^2$$

(but do not necessarily require  $P_{\mathcal{B}} = \text{id}$ )

Cuntz algebra  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}$  quotient

$$1 \rightarrow \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{B}} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{B}} \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}} \rightarrow 1$$

$\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{B}}$  = two sided ideal of  $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{B}}$  generated by  $1 - P_{\mathcal{B}}$

So  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}$  = universal C\*-alg. generated by isometries  $S_a = \pi(T_a)$

$$\text{with } S_a^* S_a = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{a \in \mathcal{B}} S_a S_a^* = 1$$

Functorialities:  $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{B}}$  with respect to injective maps

$$\varphi: \mathcal{B}_1 \hookrightarrow \mathcal{B}_2 \quad \mathcal{T}(\varphi): \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{B}_1} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{B}_2}$$

$\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}$  only w/ respect to ~~general~~ bijections  $\varphi: \mathcal{B}_1 \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{B}_2$

$$\mathcal{O}(\varphi): \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}_1} \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}_2} \quad \text{up to C* isom } \mathcal{O}_n \quad n = \# \mathcal{B}$$

Variant: Cuntz-Krieger algebras  $\mathcal{O}_A$

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$A$  is an  $N \times N$ -matrix with entries in  $\{0, 1\}$

$\mathcal{O}_A$  = universal  $C^*$ -algebra generated by <sup>(partial)</sup> isometries

$S_i$   $i=1, \dots, N$  w/ relations ~~relations~~

$$\sum_{i=1}^N S_i S_i^* = 1 \quad S_i^* S_i = \sum_{j=1}^N A_{ij} S_j S_j^*$$

range projections  $P_i$  add to 1  
as in Cuntz alg  $\mathcal{O}_N$

↖ this replaces  
 $S_i^* S_i = 1$  of  $\mathcal{O}_N$   
( $\mathcal{O}_N$  case where all  
entries  $A_{ij} = 1$ )

$$\begin{cases} S_i^* S_i = Q_i & \text{domain proj.} \\ S_i S_i^* = P_i & \text{range projection} \end{cases}$$

### Graphs as noncommutative spaces

$\Gamma$  = finite graphs; no sinks & sources  
oriented (no value 1 vertices)

algebra associated to  $\Gamma$

$E^{(1)}$  = set of oriented edges of  $\Gamma$

$E^{(0)}$  = set of vertices  $s, t: E^{(1)} \rightarrow E^{(0)}$   
source & target  
of edge

$S_e$   $e \in E^{(1)}$  partial isometries

$P_v$   $v \in E^{(0)}$  projections w/ relations

$$S_e^* S_e = P_{r(e)} \quad P_v = \sum_{s(e)=v} S_e S_e^*$$

- Assuming finite graph one requires  $\sum_v P_v = 1$   
(corresponds to first CK relation)

-  $S_e^* S_e = \sum_{S(e')=r(e)} S_e S_e^*$  from combn. of two rel's

$$A_{ee'} = \begin{cases} 0 & r(e) \neq s(e') \\ 1 & r(e) = s(e') \end{cases}$$

matrix assoc. to graph which determines when two arrows can be composed

We'll give later reinterpretation of these algebras in terms of dynamical systems

Note: later will see various ways to associate algebras to a category (small)

One is to interpret the category as a graph w/ objects as vertices and morphisms as arrows and take associated graph algebra

but: ↙

(Above can be generalized to infinite graphs: good properties under row-finite assumption and loc. finite graphs)

Semigroupoids (= small categories)

Semigroups  
~~invertible arrows~~  
(one object only)

Groupoids  
(invertible arrows only)

Groups  
(one object; only invertible arrows)

Can further extend group ring idea to semigroupoid ring

$$R[\mathcal{Y}]$$

a way to associate an associative ring (algebra) to a small category

(discrete top. on sets of morphisms)

$$f: \mathcal{Y}^{(1)} \rightarrow R$$

finite support

$$\mathcal{Y}^{(1)} = \bigcup_{X, Y \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{Y})} \mathcal{Y}^{(0, X, Y)}$$

$$f = \sum_{\varphi \in \mathcal{Y}^{(1)}} a_{\varphi} \delta_{\varphi}$$

$$(f_1 * f_2)(\varphi) = \sum_{\varphi = \varphi_1 \circ \varphi_2} f_1(\varphi_1) f_2(\varphi_2)$$

split a morphism in all possible ways in which it can be a composition

composition of morphisms

i.e. if

$$\varphi \in \text{Mor}_{\mathcal{Y}}(X, Y) \quad \exists Z \in \mathcal{Y}^{(0)} = \text{Obj}(\mathcal{Y}) \quad \exists \varphi_1 \in \text{Mor}_{\mathcal{Y}}(Z, Y) \quad \exists \varphi_2 \in \text{Mor}_{\mathcal{Y}}(X, Z)$$

s.t.  $\varphi = \varphi_1 \circ \varphi_2$

$\varphi \in \mathcal{J}^{(1)}$      $s(\varphi) = X$      $t(\varphi) = Y$      $\in \text{Obj}(Y)$     (12)  
 source and target as for  
 groupoids: can compose iff  
 target of first morphism is source of second

\* convolution product associative (from associativity  
 of composition of morphisms in categories)  
 but not commutative

$R = \mathbb{C}$ : not an involutive algebra (no inverses for  $\varphi \in \mathcal{J}^{(1)}$   
 unlike groupoids)

Units of semigroupoid  $\mathcal{J}^{(0)} \subset \mathcal{J}^{(1)}$   
 viewed as subset by  $X \mapsto 1_X$  the identity  
 morphism in  $\text{Mor}_{\mathcal{J}}(X, X)$  which always exists

$\mathcal{J}_X^{(1)} = \{ \varphi \in \mathcal{J}^{(1)} : s(\varphi) = X \}$  sub-semigroupoid

$\mathcal{H}_X = \ell^2(\mathcal{J}_X^{(1)})$  (enough know here  $\mathcal{J}_X^{(1)}$  discrete  
 not nec  $\mathcal{J}^{(1)}$ )

representation  $\pi_X: \mathbb{C}[\mathcal{J}] \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}_X)$

$$\pi_X(f) \xi(\varphi) = (f * \xi)(\varphi) = \sum_{\varphi = \varphi_1 \circ \varphi_2} f(\varphi_1) \xi(\varphi_2)$$

to obtain a  $C^*$ -algebra: algebra generated by  
 the  $\pi_X(f)$ , their adjoints  $\pi_X(f)^*$  in

inner product  $\langle \xi_1, \xi_2 \rangle = \sum_{\varphi \in \mathcal{J}^{(1)}} \overline{\xi_1(\varphi)} \xi_2(\varphi)$

and  $\|f\|_{\text{sup}} = \|\pi_X(f)\|_{\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}_X)}$   
 $\chi \in \mathcal{J}^{(0)}$

(assume  $\mathcal{J}^{(0)}$  compact / finite  
 or anyway this sup finite)

$$\pi_X(f)^* : \langle \xi_1, \pi(f) \xi_2 \rangle = \sum_{\varphi: \varphi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_2} \xi_1(\varphi) f(\varphi) \xi_2(\varphi)$$

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say  $f = \delta_\varphi$        $\delta_\varphi \varepsilon_\psi = \varepsilon_{\varphi \circ \psi}$

$$\delta_\varphi^* \varepsilon_\psi = \begin{cases} 0 & \psi \neq \varphi \circ \eta \\ \varepsilon_\eta & \psi = \varphi \circ \eta \end{cases}$$

$$\pi(f)^* = \sum \bar{a}_\varphi \delta_\varphi^* \quad \text{for } f = \sum a_\varphi \delta_\varphi$$

$$\delta_\varphi^* \delta_\varphi = 1 \quad \delta_\varphi \delta_\varphi^* = P_\varphi = \text{proj. on subspace of } \mathcal{H}_X \\ \text{of all } \psi = \varphi \circ \psi_i; \psi_i \in \mathcal{H}_X$$

↑ Categorical version of creation & annihilation operators

Algebras from categories: another way

Hall-Ringel algebras

Requires more structure on the category

$\mathcal{C} = \underline{\text{abelian category}}$

$\text{Iso}(\mathcal{C})$  = set of isomorphism classes of objects  
in the abelian category  $\mathcal{C}$

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$A_{\mathcal{C}}$  Hall algebra generated by elements  $\delta_{[X]}$   
for  $[X] \in \text{Iso}(\mathcal{C})$

with convolution product

$$\delta_{[X]} * \delta_{[Y]} = \sum_{[Z] \in \text{Iso}(\mathcal{C})} c_{[X],[Y]}^{[Z]} \delta_{[Z]}$$

where the coefficient

$$c_{[X],[Y]}^{[Z]} = \# \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{subobjects } X' \subset Z \\ \text{with } X' \cong X \\ \text{and } Z/X' \cong Y \end{array} \right\}$$

i.e. # of exact sequences

$$0 \rightarrow X \rightarrow Z \rightarrow Y \rightarrow 0$$

mod action of  $\text{Aut}(X)$  and  $\text{Aut}(Y)$

It is an associative product

Equivalent description:

$f: \text{Iso}(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  with finite support

$$(f_1 * f_2)([X]) = \sum_{X' \subset X} f_1([X']) f_2([X/X'])$$

splitting  $X$   
according to:  $0 \rightarrow X' \rightarrow X \rightarrow X/X' \rightarrow 0$