

K-homological finiteness of Ruelle algebras

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The K-homology class $[H, \rho, F] \in K^*(A)$ gives a pairing map $K_*(A) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$;

$$[e] \mapsto \text{Index}(\rho_-(e)F_+\rho_+(e)),$$

$$[u] \mapsto \text{Index}(P\rho(u)P),$$

where $P = (F + 1)/2$ is a projection.

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Theorem (Connes Index Formula)

Suppose (H, ρ, F) over A is p -summable on \mathcal{A} . Then, by considering K -theory classes over \mathcal{A} the associated pairing map $K_*(A) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ becomes

$$\begin{aligned} [e] &\mapsto a_n \operatorname{Tr}_s(\rho(e)([F, \rho(e)]^n)), \\ [u] &\mapsto b_n \operatorname{Tr}(\rho(u^*)([F, \rho(u)][F, \rho(u^*)]^n[F, \rho(u)]), \end{aligned}$$

where $n \in \mathbb{N}$ is even and large enough.

Example

- ▶ Represent $A = C(\mathbb{T})$ on $H = L^2(\mathbb{T})$ via ρ as multiplication operators.
- ▶ P projects onto the Hardy space $\overline{\text{span}}\{z^n : n \geq 0\}$ and $F = 2P - 1$.
- ▶ (H, ρ, F) is a Fredholm module.
 - ▶ $[F, \rho(f)]$ is finite rank for trigonometric polynomials f ;
 - ▶ It is p -summable ($p > 1$) as $[F, \rho(f)] \in L^p(H)$ when $f \in C^\infty(\mathbb{T})$.

Then, for a unitary $u \in C^\infty(\mathbb{T})$ the associated map $K_1(C(\mathbb{T})) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$,

$$[u] \mapsto -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int u^{-1} du,$$

that is, minus the winding number around $0 \in \mathbb{C}$ of u .

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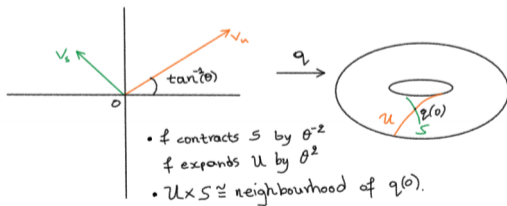
Care is Required

- ▶ (Rave) Requiring $\mathcal{A} = A$ leads to degeneracy issues;
- ▶ (Puschnigg) For a higher rank lattice Λ , every $0 \neq x \in K^*(C_r^*(\Lambda))$ is not represented by a finitely summable Fredholm module on $\mathbb{C}\Lambda$;
- ▶ (Goffeng-Mesland) There is $0 \neq x \in K^1(\bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}} C(S^{2n-1}))$ that does not admit finitely summable Fredholm module representations.

Smale spaces

HTA, slope $\theta = (1 + \sqrt{5})/2$

- ▶ $\mathbb{T}^2 = \mathbb{R}^2/\mathbb{Z}^2$ with quotient metric via $q : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^2$;
- ▶ $\varphi : \mathbb{T}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^2$ induced by $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ acting on \mathbb{R}^2 ;
- ▶ $\theta^2 > 1$ is eigenvalue with eigenvector $v_u = (\theta, 1)$.
- ▶ $\theta^{-2} < 1$ is eigenvalue with eigenvector $v_s = (-1, \theta)$.



Definition (Ruelle)

A Smale space is a compact metric space (X, d) with a homeomorphism φ so that

- ▶ there is $\varepsilon_X > 0$ and a local bi-continuous (bracket) map

$$[\cdot, \cdot] : \{(x, y) \in X \times X : d(x, y) \leq \varepsilon_X\} \rightarrow X$$

$$[x, x] = x$$

$$[x, [y, z]] = [x, z]$$

$$[[x, y], z] = [x, z]$$

$$\varphi([x, y]) = [\varphi(x), \varphi(y)];$$

- ▶ there is $\lambda > 1$ so that for $\varepsilon \leq \varepsilon_X, x \in X$ and

$$X^s(x, \varepsilon) = \{y \in X : d(x, y) < \varepsilon, [x, y] = y\}$$

$$X^u(x, \varepsilon) = \{y \in X : d(x, y) < \varepsilon, [x, y] = x\},$$

φ and φ^{-1} contract $X^s(x, \varepsilon)$ and $X^u(x, \varepsilon)$ at least by λ^{-1} .

Examples

- ▶ Subshifts of finite type. Important subclass:
 - ▶ Topological Markov chains
- ▶ Smale's nonwandering Axiom A systems. Important subclasses:
 - ▶ Anosov diffeomorphisms (e.g Hyperbolic toral automorphisms)
 - ▶ Horseshoes from self-affine limit sets
- ▶ Certain expansive groups
- ▶ Aperiodic substitution tiling spaces
- ▶ Fractals from self-similar groups
- ▶ Wiener solenoids

Groupoids and C^* -algebras (Putnam-Spielberg)

Ruelle, Putnam and Spielberg investigated C^* -algebras from Smale spaces.

For $x \in X$ consider

$$X^s(x) = \{y \in X : d(\varphi^n(x), \varphi^n(y)) \rightarrow 0, n \rightarrow +\infty\},$$
$$X^u(x) = \{y \in X : d(\varphi^n(x), \varphi^n(y)) \rightarrow 0, n \rightarrow -\infty\}$$

Let P, Q be periodic orbits. Form equivalence relations on $X^u(Q), X^s(P)$

$$G^s(Q) = \{(x, y) \in X^u(Q) \times X^u(Q) : y \in X^s(x)\},$$
$$G^u(P) = \{(x, y) \in X^s(P) \times X^s(P) : y \in X^u(x)\}.$$

Theorem (Putnam-Spielberg)

The groupoids $G^s(Q)$ and $G^u(P)$ admit an étale structure given by holonomy maps.

To get C^* -algebras, consider the complex vector space $C_c(G^s(Q))$ with convolution and involution

$$(f \cdot g)(v, w) = \sum_{z \in X^s(v)} f(v, z)g(z, w),$$
$$f^*(v, w) = \overline{f(w, v)}.$$

Then, represent $C_c(G^s(Q))$ on the grid-like $H = \ell^2(X^s(P) \cap X^u(Q))$ and get the stable algebra $\mathcal{S}(Q)$ by completion. The unitary $u\delta_y = \delta_{\varphi(y)}$ gives an inner automorphism α_s and hence the stable Ruelle algebra

$$\mathcal{R}^s(Q) = \mathcal{S}(Q) \rtimes_{\alpha_s} \mathbb{Z}.$$

Similarly, represent $C_c(G^u(P))$ on H to get the unstable algebra $\mathcal{U}(P)$ and unstable Ruelle algebra

$$\mathcal{R}^u(P) = \mathcal{U}(P) \rtimes_{\alpha_u} \mathbb{Z}.$$

Examples

- ▶ **Subshifts of finite type**
 - ▶ $\mathcal{R}^s(Q)$ is a (stabilised) Cuntz-Krieger algebra.
 - ▶ $\mathcal{S}(Q)$ is the (stabilised) AF-core.
- ▶ **Dyadic solenoid**
 - ▶ $\mathcal{S}(Q)$ is the (stabilised) Bunce-Deddens algebra of type 2^∞ .
- ▶ **Hyperbolic toral automorphism**
 - ▶ $\mathcal{S}(Q)$ is a (stabilised) A_θ where θ is an algebraic irrational.

Moreover,

- ▶ (Deeley, Goffeng, Spielberg, Strung, Yashinski, Putnam) the stable and unstable algebras are classified up to isomorphism by the Elliott invariant;
- ▶ (Putnam-Spielberg, Kirchberg-Phillips) Ruelle algebras are simple, purely infinite and classified up to isomorphism by K-theory.

KK-duality of Ruelle algebras

KK-duality is a noncommutative analogue of Spanier-Whitehead duality. Its definition makes use of KK-theory and the Kasparov product.

Two C^* -algebras A and B are KK-dual if there is a fundamental class in $K^*(A \otimes B)$ that pairs through Kasparov product with a class in $K_*(A \otimes B)$, in a way that leads to isomorphisms between the K-theory of A and the K-homology of B , and vice versa.

Theorem (Kaminker-Putnam-Whittaker)

The Ruelle algebras $\mathcal{R}^s(Q)$ and $\mathcal{R}^u(P)$ are KK-dual. The fundamental class $\Delta \in K^1(\mathcal{R}^s(Q) \otimes \mathcal{R}^u(P))$ induces the isomorphism

$$- \otimes_{\mathcal{R}^s(Q)} \Delta : K_*(\mathcal{R}^s(Q)) \rightarrow K^{*+1}(\mathcal{R}^u(P)).$$

By flipping we also get an isomorphism $K_(\mathcal{R}^u(P)) \cong K^{*+1}(\mathcal{R}^s(Q))$.*

The fundamental class $\Delta \in K^1(\mathcal{R}^s(Q) \otimes \mathcal{R}^u(P))$ is represented by an extension $\tau_\Delta : \mathcal{R}^s(Q) \otimes \mathcal{R}^u(P) \rightarrow Q(H \otimes \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}))$ built from the representations

$$\blacktriangleright \rho_s : \mathcal{R}^s(Q) \rightarrow B(H \otimes \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}))$$

$$a \mapsto \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \alpha_s^n(a), \quad u \mapsto 1 \otimes B;$$

$$\blacktriangleright \rho_u : \mathcal{R}^u(P) \rightarrow B(H \otimes \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}))$$

$$b \mapsto b \otimes 1, \quad u \mapsto u \otimes B^*.$$

which commute modulo $K(H \otimes \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}))$.

Note

The class Δ has a θ -summable Fredholm module representative. Joint work with Mike Whittaker and Joachim Zacharias, to be published soon.

Computation of Kasparov slant product $-\otimes_{\mathcal{R}^s(q)} \Delta$

Let $0 \neq q \in \mathcal{R}^s(Q)$ be a projection and by computing the map $-\otimes_{\mathcal{R}^s(Q)} \Delta$ we get that

- ▶ every class in $K^0(\mathcal{R}^u(P))$ is represented by an even balanced Fredholm module of the form

$$(H \otimes \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}), \rho_u, \rho_s(u) + 1 - \rho_s(q)), \quad u \in q\mathcal{R}^s(Q)q \text{ is a unitary;}$$

- ▶ every class in $K^1(\mathcal{R}^u(P))$ is represented by an odd Fredholm module of the form

$$(H \otimes \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}), \rho_u, 2\rho_s(e) - 1), \quad 0 \neq e \in q\mathcal{R}^s(Q)q \text{ is a projection.}$$

Recall that $\rho_s(\mathcal{R}^s(Q))$ and $\rho_u(\mathcal{R}^u(P))$ commute modulo $K(H \otimes \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}))$. Hence, refining this relation yields a refinement of the Fredholm modules.

Groupoid metrics

Theorem (G.)

$G^s(Q)$ and $G^u(P)$ admit a Lipschitz groupoid structure via special metrics D_s and D_u associated to a compatible self-similar metric d' on (X, φ) . Also, the groupoid automorphisms from φ are bi-Lipschitz.

Proposition (G.)

The algebraic crossed products

$$\Lambda_s = \text{Lip}_c(G^s(Q), D_s) \rtimes_{\alpha_s, \text{alg}} \mathbb{Z},$$

$$\Lambda_u = \text{Lip}_c(G^u(P), D_u) \rtimes_{\alpha_u, \text{alg}} \mathbb{Z}$$

are well-defined dense $*$ -subalgebras of $\mathcal{R}^s(Q)$ and $\mathcal{R}^u(P)$.

Essentially commuting Lipschitz algebras

Proposition (G.)

The algebras $\rho_s(\Lambda_s)$ and $\rho_u(\Lambda_u)$ commute module the Schatten p -ideal $L^p(H \otimes \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}))$, for all $p \gtrsim \dim_H(X, d')$.

This can be strengthened as follows.

Proposition (G.)

There are stable under holomorphic functional calculus $*$ -subalgebras $H_s \supset \Lambda_s$ and $H_u \supset \Lambda_u$ so that $\rho_s(H_s)$ and $\rho_u(H_u)$ commute module $L^p(H \otimes \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}))$, for all $p \gtrsim \dim_H(X, d')$.

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Theorem (G.)

Let $0 \neq q \in H_s$ be a projection and $p \gtrsim \dim_H(X, d')$. Then,

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$$(H \otimes \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}), \rho_u, \rho_s(u) + 1 - \rho_s(q)), \quad u \in qH_sq \text{ is a unitary,}$$

that is p -summable on H_u .

- ▶ every class in $K^1(\mathcal{R}^u(P))$ is represented by an odd Fredholm module of the form

$$(H \otimes \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}), \rho_u, 2\rho_s(e) - 1), \quad 0 \neq e \in qH_sq \text{ is a projection,}$$

that is p -summable on H_u .

Remarks

- ▶ Construct projections and unitaries in the corner subalgebras to get finitely summable Fredholm modules;
- ▶ Good knowledge of K-theory would help, e.g the work of Deeley-Yashinski on the K-theory of the stable algebra of a Wiener solenoid;
- ▶ Perform index computations;
- ▶ Lift these Fredholm modules to spectral triples.

Thank you!

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