

Aperiodicity and related properties for crossed product inclusions

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Motivation: Ideal structure of crossed products

Basic situation

G discrete group

A C^* -algebra

α group action, i.e., homomorphism $G \rightarrow \text{Aut}(A)$

B reduced crossed product $A \rtimes_r G$

Questions

When is B simple?

When it is not simple,

what can we say about the ideal lattice of B ?

Kishimoto's Theorem

Theorem (Kishimoto 1981)

Let A be simple. If the automorphisms α_g for $g \in G \setminus \{1\}$ are outer, then $A \rtimes_r G$ is simple.

Lemma (Key step in Kishimoto's proof)

In the situation above, for any $g \in G \setminus \{1\}$, $x \in A$, $\varepsilon > 0$, and non-zero hereditary subalgebra $D \subseteq A$, there is $a \in D$ with $0 \leq a$, $\|a\| = 1$ and $\|ax\alpha(a)\| < \varepsilon$.

Definition (Kwaśniewski–M)

A normed A -bimodule X is **aperiodic** if, for each $x \in X$, $\varepsilon > 0$, and non-zero hereditary subalgebra $D \subseteq A$, there is $a \in D_1^+$ with $\|axa\| < \varepsilon$.

Definition

A C^* -inclusion $A \subseteq B$ is **aperiodic** if B/A with the quotient norm is an aperiodic A -bimodule.

Aperiodicity and Kishimoto's condition

Key Lemma about Aperiodicity

Let X_i for $i \in I$ and Y be normed A -bimodules.

Let $f_i: X_i \rightarrow Y$ be bounded A -bimodule maps.

Assume that $\sum f_i(X_i)$ is dense in Y .

If X_i is aperiodic for all $i \in I$, then so is Y .

Theorem

$A \subseteq A \rtimes_r G$ is aperiodic if and only if, for all $g \in G \setminus \{1\}$,

A with the bimodule structure $a \bullet b \bullet c = ab\alpha_g(c)$ is aperiodic,

if and only if, for all $g \in G \setminus \{1\}$,

α_g satisfies Kishimoto's condition.

Ideal detection

Definition

$A \subseteq B$ **detects ideals** if $J \cap A \neq 0$ for any ideal $J \subseteq B$ with $J \neq 0$.

Definition

Call A **B -simple** if $BIB = B$ for any non-zero ideal $I \subseteq A$.

Lemma

B simple $\iff A \subseteq B$ detects ideals and A is B -simple.

Proof of \Leftarrow .

Let $J \subseteq B$ be a non-zero ideal.

Then $J \cap A$ is non-zero because A detects ideals in B .

Then $B(J \cap A)B = B$ because A is B -simple.

Always $J = BJB \supseteq B(J \cap A)B$. So $J = B$. □

Lemma

For a crossed product B and an ideal I in A ,
 BIB is the smallest invariant ideal containing I .

B -Simple means minimal.

Aperiodicity and detection of ideals

Theorem

Let $A \subseteq B$ be aperiodic. Let $J \subseteq B$ be an ideal.

$J \cap A = 0 \iff J$ is aperiodic.

Proof.

Let J be aperiodic. Then so is $J \cap A \subseteq J$.

The latter is also an ideal in A . The only aperiodic ideal in A is 0 .

Let $J \cap A = 0$. Then the map $J \rightarrow B/A$ is isometric!

Since B/A is aperiodic, so is $J \subseteq B/A$. □

Corollary

Let G act aperiodically on A .

An ideal in $A \rtimes G$ is aperiodic if it is contained in the kernel of the projection $\Lambda: A \rtimes G \rightarrow A \rtimes_r G$.

Proof.

$\ker \Lambda \cap A = 0$. □

Aperiodicity and detection of ideals II

Theorem

Let G act aperiodically on A .

An ideal in $A \rtimes G$ is aperiodic (if and) only if it is contained in the kernel of the projection $\Lambda: A \rtimes G \rightarrow A \rtimes_r G$.

Proof.

- ▶ Let J be aperiodic.
- ▶ The canonical expectation $E: A \rtimes G \rightarrow A$ maps J to an aperiodic ideal in A .
- ▶ The only aperiodic ideal in A is 0.
- ▶ So $E|_J = 0$.
- ▶ Then $J \subseteq \ker \Lambda$. □

Corollary

Let G act aperiodically on A . Then A detects ideals in $A \rtimes_r G$.

More general crossed products

- ▶ So far, we only discussed group actions by automorphisms.
- ▶ Our main theorem works, however, for all C^* -inclusions with a conditional expectation:

Theorem

Let $A \subseteq B$ be a C^ -inclusion.*

Let $E: B \rightarrow A$ be a conditional expectation.

Let $N \subseteq B$ be the largest two-sided ideal with $E|_N = 0$. Assume that B/A is an aperiodic A -bimodule.

Then an ideal J in B satisfies $J \cap A = 0$ if and only if $J \subseteq N$.

Therefore, A detects ideals in B/N .

More general group actions

- ▶ A **twisted action** only satisfies $\alpha_g \alpha_h = \text{Ad}(U_{g,h}) \alpha_{g \cdot h}$ with unitary multipliers $U_{g,h}$ subject to a cocycle condition.
- ▶ In a **partial action**, each α_g is only an isomorphism between ideals in A , and $\alpha_g \alpha_h$ is contained in $\alpha_{g \cdot h}$.
- ▶ In a **Fell bundle**, each α_g is replaced by a Hilbert bimodule A_g (partial Morita equivalence), and we require Hilbert bimodule maps $A_g \otimes_A A_h \rightarrow A_{gh}$, subject to associativity.
- ▶ For all these kinds of actions, there is a **crossed product** B . It carries a conditional expectation $E: B \rightarrow A$, and B/N is the **reduced crossed product**.
- ▶ There is a canonical G -grading $B = \bigoplus_{g \in G} B_g$.
- ▶ The inclusion $A \subseteq B$ is aperiodic if and only if the normed bimodules B_g are aperiodic for all $g \in G \setminus \{1\}$.

C^* -Algebras for Hausdorff, étale, locally compact groupoids

- ▶ Let G be a Hausdorff, locally compact, étale groupoid.
- ▶ Let X be its object space.
- ▶ Restriction to X defines a conditional expectation $E: C^*(G) \rightarrow C_0(X) \subseteq C^*(G)$.
- ▶ The quotient B/N defined by E is the reduced crossed product.
- ▶ $C^*(G)$ is spanned by subspaces $C_0(U)$ for **bisections** $U \subseteq G$.
- ▶ The inclusion is aperiodic if and only if G is topologically free: if U is a bisection with $\emptyset \neq U \subseteq G \setminus X$, then $r|_U \neq s|_U$.

Theorem

If G is topologically free, then $C_0(X)$ detects ideals in $C_r^(G)$.*

How about non-Hausdorff groupoids?

Theorem (Skandalis 1991)

There is a minimal, topologically free, non-Hausdorff, locally compact, étale groupoid for which $C_r^(G)$ is not simple.*

Theorem (Exel–Pitts, Kwaśniewski–M 2019)

*For each topologically free, non-Hausdorff, locally compact, étale groupoid G , there is an **essential** groupoid C^* -algebra $C_{\text{ess}}^*(G)$ such that $C_0(X) \subseteq C_{\text{ess}}^*(G)$ detects ideals.*

Anti-Aperiodic inclusions

Proposition

Let $A \subseteq B$ be a C^* -inclusion.

There is a largest A -subbimodule $M_{\text{ape}} \subseteq B$ that is aperiodic.

It is norm closed and closed under taking adjoints.

Definition

Call $A \subseteq \tilde{A}$ **anti-aperiodic** if any aperiodic A -bimodule $M \subseteq \tilde{A}$ is 0.

Proposition (Kwaśniewski–M 2019)

The inclusion $A \subseteq A$ is anti-aperiodic.

So is the inclusion of A into its local multiplier algebra.

Theorem (Kwaśniewski–M 2020)

The inclusion of A into its **injective hull** is anti-aperiodic.

Aperiodicity and unique pseudo-expectations

Definition

A **generalised expectation** for $A \subseteq B$ is a completely positive contraction $E: B \rightarrow \tilde{A}$ for some $A \subseteq \tilde{A}$ with $E|_A = \text{id}_A$.

Any generalised expectation is an A -bimodule map.

Proposition

Let $A \subseteq B$ be aperiodic and $A \subseteq \tilde{A}$ be anti-aperiodic.

There is at most one generalised expectation $E: B \rightarrow \tilde{A}$.

Proof.

Let $E, E': B \rightarrow \tilde{A}$ be two generalised expectations.

Then $E - E': B/A \rightarrow \tilde{A}$ is an A -bimodule map. Its image is an aperiodic A -bimodule in \tilde{A} . This is 0 by assumption. □

Corollary (unique pseudo-expectation)

Let $A \subseteq B$ be aperiodic. There is exactly one generalised expectation from B to the injective hull of A .

Aperiodicity and detection of ideals

Theorem

Let $A \subseteq B$ be aperiodic. Let $E: B \rightarrow I(A)$ be the unique expectation to the injective hull. Let $J \subseteq B$ be an ideal. Then $J \cap A = 0$ if and only if J is aperiodic, if and only if $E|_J = 0$. Let $N \subseteq B$ be the largest two-sided ideal on which E vanishes. Then A detects ideals in B/N . And N is the unique ideal in B with this property.

Reduced and essential groupoid C^* -algebras

- ▶ Let $A = C_0(X)$ be commutative.
- ▶ The **injective hull** $I(C_0(X))$ is isomorphic to the quotient of the C^* -algebra **Bor**(X) of **Borel functions on X** by the ideal of functions that vanish outside a **meagre subset**.
- ▶ Restriction to the units gives a generalised expectation $E_0: C^*(G) \rightarrow \text{Bor}(X)$.
- ▶ The **reduced groupoid C^* -algebra** is the quotient $C^*(G)/N_0$, where N_0 is the largest two-sided ideal killed by E_0 .
- ▶ The theorem above applies to the composite E of E_0 with the quotient map to $I(C_0(X))$.
- ▶ The **essential groupoid C^* -algebra** is the quotient of $C^*(G)$ by the largest two-sided ideal killed by E .

Theorem (Kwaśniewski–M 2019)

$C_0(X)$ detects ideals in $C_{\text{ess}}^*(G) \iff G$ is topologically free.

The dual groupoid

\widehat{A} {irreducible representations} / unitary equivalence.

$\widehat{\alpha}$ induced action of G on \widehat{A} by homeomorphisms.

Definition

The transformation groupoid $\widehat{A} \rtimes G$ is called **dual groupoid**.

This is also defined for Fell bundles over inverse semigroups or over étale groupoids.

Definition (Properties of an étale groupoid \mathcal{G})

effective $U \subseteq \mathcal{G}$ is open, $r|_U = s|_U \implies U \subseteq \mathcal{G}^0$

topologically free $U \subseteq \mathcal{G} \setminus \mathcal{G}^0$ is open, $r|_U = s|_U \implies U = \emptyset$

topologically principal the set of $x \in \mathcal{G}^0$ for which there is $g \in \mathcal{G} \setminus \mathcal{G}^0$ with $r(g) = x = s(g)$ has empty interior

Lemma

*effective \implies topologically free \iff topologically principal
with \iff twice if \mathcal{G} is Hausdorff, second countable.*

Extension of pure states

extension property any **pure** state on A extends uniquely to a state on B (necessarily pure)

almost extension property the set of pure states on A that extend uniquely to a state on B is weak- $*$ -dense in the set of pure states on A

Theorem (Kwaśniewski–M, following Akemann–Weaver)

Let ω be a pure state on A . TFAE:

- ▶ ω extends uniquely to $A \rtimes_r G$
- ▶ ω extends uniquely to $A \rtimes G$
- ▶ the class of GNS representation of ω has trivial isotropy in $\widehat{A} \rtimes G$.

Extension of pure states II

Corollary

TFAE:

- ▶ $A \subseteq A \rtimes_r G$ has the *almost extension property*
- ▶ $A \subseteq A \rtimes G$ has the *almost extension property*
- ▶ the dual groupoid $\widehat{A} \rtimes G$ is *topologically principal*.

This remains true for Fell bundles over inverse semigroups or étale groupoids, even for the essential section C^* -algebra.

