

Questions from Münster

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1 Simple examples for Baum-Connes for groupoids

This is a question asked by Sayan Chakraborty : find a simple example of the Baum-Connes conjecture for groupoids.

The simplest examples would be to take the groupoid associated to an action of a group on a topological space $\mathcal{G} = X \rtimes G$. The first thing we want to do is to describe the classifying space for proper actions.

Suppose the groupoid étale equipped with a proper length. A simple model, from J-L. Tu [?], is given by the inductive limite of the spaces

$$Z_d = \{\nu \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{G}), s.t. \exists x, \text{ if } g \in \text{supp } \nu \text{ then } l(g) \leq d, g \in \mathcal{G}^x\}.$$

Indeed, suppose Y is a \mathcal{G} -proper cocompact space, then $Y \rtimes \mathcal{G}$ is a proper groupoid, so there exists a cutt-off function $c : Y \rightarrow [0, 1]$ such that :

$$\sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}^p(y)} c(yg) = 1, \forall y \in Y.$$

Now define

$$y \mapsto \sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}^p(y)} c(yg) \delta_g$$

which is a \mathcal{G} -equivariant continuous map. Moreover Z_d is proper and cocompact, and there exists a d s.t. the map takes its values in it.

Now if $\mathcal{G} = X \rtimes G$, $Z_d \simeq X \times Z'_d$ where $Z_d = \{\nu \in \mathcal{M}(G), s.t. \text{ if } g \in \text{supp } \nu \text{ then } l(g) \leq d\}$, so that $KK^{\mathcal{G}}(\Delta, A) \simeq KK^G(\Delta', A)$, where Δ and Δ' are respectively the 0-dimensional part of the equivariant complexes Z_d and Z'_d . This is true because the action of G on Z'_d is proper and cocompact, see lemma 3.6 of [?]. Now a standard Mayer-Vietoris argument (theorem 3.8 [?]) concludes to show that $K^{top}(\mathcal{G}, A) \simeq K^{top}(G, A)$.

As $C_r^* \mathcal{G} = C_0(X) \rtimes_r G$, we see that the Baum-Connes assembly map for \mathcal{G} with coefficients in A is equivalent to

$$K_*^{top}(G, A) \rightarrow K_*((A \otimes C_0(X)) \rtimes G).$$

Now we can look for concrete examples.

1.1 Non commutative tori

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1.3 Foliations