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1 Locally compact groups acting on trees, the type I conjecture and non-amenable von Neumann algebras (S.Raum and C.Houdayer)

Cyril Houdayer and Sven Raum[HR16]

Conjecture 1.0.1. *Let G be a group acting on a tree T . G is type I if and only if $G \curvearrowright T$ is boundary transitive.*

Rem 1.0.1. *$G \curvearrowright T$ is boundary transitive if and only if $G \curvearrowright S_n(v)$ for all $v \in V(T)$ is transitive.*

Rem 1.0.2 (A). *$G \curvearrowright S_2(v)$ for all $v \in V(T)$ is transitive if and only if for any $v_1, v_2, w_1, w_2 \in V(T)$, there exists $g \in G$ s.t. $gv_i = w_i$.*

Thm 1.1. *If G do not satisfy (A), $L(G)$ is not amenable.*

This theorem is based on the Bass-Serre theory. The following lemma is the key lemma.

Lem 1.1. *Let G_i be a locally compact group and A be a common compact subgroup. Assume $K \backslash G_1 / K \geq 3$ and $K \backslash G_2 / K \geq 2$. Then, $L(G_1 *_A G_2)$ is non-amenable.*

Thm 1.2 (Dykema). *Let M_i be a hyperfinite von Neumann algebra. Assume $\dim M_i \geq 2$ and $\dim M_1 + \dim M_2 \geq 5$. Then, $M_1 * M_2$ is non-amenable.*

2 Some prime factorization results for type II_1 factors (Ozawa and Popa)

3 Boudnaries of reduced free group C^* -algebras (Narutaka Ozawa)

[Oza06] Let Γ be a free group with rank n ($2 \leq n < \infty$). A measure μ on $\partial\Gamma$ is called quasi-invariant if for any measurable subset $A \subset \partial\Gamma$ and any $s \in \Gamma$, one has $\mu(sA) = 0$ if and only if $\mu(A) = 0$. A measure μ on $\partial\Gamma$ is called doubly ergodic if the diagonal action of Γ on $(\partial\Gamma^2, \mu^{\otimes 2})$ is ergodic. Let a measure μ on Γ be quasi-invariant and doubly-ergodic.

Thm 3.1. *Under the above condition, If*

$$\theta : C(\partial\Gamma) \rtimes_r \Gamma \rightarrow L^\infty(\partial\Gamma, \mu) \rtimes \Gamma$$

is a completely positive map with $\theta|_{C_r^(\Gamma)} = \text{id}_{C_r^*(\Gamma)}$, then $\theta = \text{id}$.*

Cor 3.1.1. *$C(\partial\Gamma) \rtimes_r \Gamma$ sits between $C_r^*(\Gamma)$ and its injective envelop $I(C_r^*(\Gamma))$.*

Prop 3.1. *If*

$$\varphi : C(\partial\Gamma) \rightarrow L^\infty(\partial\Gamma, \mu)$$

is a unital positive Γ -equivariant map, then $\varphi = \text{id}$

This proposition is key.

proof of proposition. Any Γ -equivariant Borel map from $\partial\Gamma$ to $\mathcal{M}(\partial\Gamma)$ has image in $\mathcal{M}_{\leq 2}(\partial\Gamma)$ $\mu^{\otimes 2}$ -a.e.

Fix a dense Γ -invariant subalgebra \mathcal{C} which is algebraically generated by a countable set. There exist a Γ -equivariant Borel map

$$\varphi_* : \partial\Gamma \ni \xi \mapsto \varphi_*^\xi \in \mathcal{M}(\partial\Gamma)$$

s.t. for μ -a.e. $\xi \in \partial\Gamma$,

$$\forall f \in \mathcal{C} \quad \int f(\eta) d\varphi_*^\xi(\eta) = \varphi(f)(\xi).$$

We consider the Γ -equivariant Borel map

$$\partial\Gamma^2 \ni (\xi, \eta) \mapsto \varphi_*^\xi + \delta_\xi + \delta_\eta.$$

By the first argument, $\varphi_*^\xi = t\delta_\xi + (1-t)\delta_\eta$. By μ -invarinat, $\varphi_*^\xi = \delta_\xi$ a.e. So, $\varphi = \text{id}$. \square

proof of theorem. There exist a faithful normal conditinal expectation $E : L^\infty(\partial\Gamma, \mu) \rtimes \Gamma L^\infty(\partial\Gamma, \mu)$. We suffices to show that $E \circ \theta|_{C(\partial\Gamma)}$ is a unital positive Γ -equivariant map. We note taht $E(s.x) = s.E(x)$. \square

4 Simplicity of the C*-algebra associated with the free group on two generators

[Pow75]

Thm 4.1. *For any $x \in C_r^*(\mathbb{F}_2)_{sa}$ and $\varepsilon > 0$, there exist an integer n , elements $g_i \in \mathbb{F}_2$ and $t_i > 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$ with $\sum t_i = 1$ s.t.*

$$\left\| \tau(x)I - \sum_{i=1}^n t_i \lambda_{g_i} x \lambda_{g_i}^{-1} \right\| < \varepsilon$$

Thm 4.2. $C_r^*(\mathbb{F}_2)$ is simple.

At first, we prove theorem 4.2 from theorem 4.1

Proof. $C_r^*(\mathbb{F}_2)$ has a faithful tracial state. \square

Lem 4.1. *Suppose $x = \sum_i \{\alpha_i \lambda_{g_i} + \overline{\alpha_i} \lambda_{g_i}^{-1}\} \in \mathbb{C}[\mathbb{F}_2]$, where $g_i \neq e$. Then, there exists $h_i \in \mathbb{F}_2$ s.t.*

$$\left\| \frac{1}{20} \sum_{i=1}^{20} \lambda_{h_i} x \lambda_{h_i}^{-1} \right\| < \frac{1}{20} \|x\|.$$

Proof. There exist a integer k s.t. for any i , $b^k g_i b^{-k}$ begins and ends a non-zero power of b . For $r = 1, \dots, 20$, $h_r = a^r b^k$. Let K_r be a closed subspace of $L^2(\mathbb{F}_2)$ s.t. $f(g) = 0$ unless g begins a^r . $\lambda_{h_r g_i h_r^{-1}}$ maps K_r^\perp to K_r . So, $\lambda_{h_r g_i h_r^{-1}} x \lambda_{h_r g_i h_r^{-1}}$ maps $K_r^{\perp \text{perp}}$ to K_r . Let P_r be a orthogonal projection to K_r . Note $P_r P_s = \delta_{rs} P_r$, so they are orthoginal. Let $B = \frac{1}{20} \sum_{i=1}^{20} \lambda_{h_i} x \lambda_{h_i}^{-1}$. Suppose $f \in H$ and $\|f\| = 1$.

$$\sum_{r=1}^{20} \|P_r f\| \leq \|f\| = 1.$$

There exist a p s.t. $\|P_p f\| \leq \frac{1}{20}$.

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle f, Bf \rangle| &\leq \frac{1}{20} \sum_{r=1}^{20} |\langle f, \lambda_{h_i} x \lambda_{h_i}^{-1} f \rangle| \\ &\leq \frac{19}{20} \|x\| + \frac{1}{20} |\langle f, \lambda_{h_i} x \lambda_{h_i}^{-1} f \rangle|. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\lambda_{h_p g_i h_p^{-1}}$ maps K_p^\perp to K_p ,

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle f, \lambda_{h_p} x \lambda_{h_p}^{-1} f \rangle| &\leq \|x\| \{ \|P_p f\|^2 + 2 \|P_p f\| \|(1 - P_p) f\| \} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{20} + 2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{20}} \cdot 1 < \frac{1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

So, we have

$$|\langle f, Bf \rangle| \leq \frac{19}{20} \|x\| + \frac{1}{40} \|x\| = \frac{39}{40} \|x\|.$$

Since $\|B\| = \sup_{\|f\|=1} \langle f, Bf \rangle$, this completes the proof of the lemma. \square

proof of theorem 4.1. This theorem follows from the previous lemma and finite dimensional approximation. \square

This proof apply to the uniqueness of a tracial state.

5 A Galois Correspondence for compact Groups of Automorphisms of von Neumann Algebras with a Generalization to Kac Algebra (M.Izumi, R.Longo, S.Popa)

[ILP98]

Nakamura and Takeda [NT60], and Suzuki showed such(closed subgroup version) galois correspondence in the ccase of II_1 -factor and G a finite group whose action on M is minimal, i.e. $M^{G'} \cap M = \mathbb{C}$. Kishimoto [Kis77] showed a galois ocrrespondence, between normal closed subgroups of a compact (minimal) group G and globally G -invariant intermediate von Neumann algebras, following methods in the analysis of chemical potential in Quantum Statistical Mechanics. Generalizations of this result concerning dual actions of aloccaly compact group G were dealt by Takesaki [AKTH77], in case of G abelian, and by Nakagami in more generality.

Another kind of Galis correspondence was provided by H.Choda [Cho78]. In concerns in particular the crossed product of a factor by an outer action of a discrete group and characterizes the intermediate von Neumann subakgebras that are crossed product by a discrete subgroups. An important assumption here is the existence of a normal conditional expectation onto the intermediate subalgebras.

Thm 5.1. *Let G be a discrete group and α ab outer action of G on a factor N . Then, the map*

$$H \mapsto N \rtimes_{\alpha} H$$

gives one-to-one correspondence between the lattice of all subgroups of G and that of all subgroups of G and that of all intermedidate sufactors of $N \subset N \rtimes_{\alpha} G$.

Thm 5.2. *Let G be compact group and α a minimal action of G on a factor M . The, the map*

$$H \mapsto M^H$$

gives one-to-one correspondence between the lattice of all closed subgroups of G and that of all intermediate subfactors of $M \supset M^G$.

6 Inclusions of simple C*-algebras

[Izu02]

Thm 6.1 ([Izu02], Corollary 6.6). *Let α be an outer action of a finite group G on a simple σ -unital C*-algebra A . Then,*

1. *There exists a one-to-one correspondence between the set of subgroups of G and the set of intermedeiate C*-algebras between $A \rtimes_{\alpha} G \supset A$. Thecorrespondence is given as follows: For a subgroup H , the corresponding intermediate C*-algebra is $A \rtimes_{\alpha} H$.*
2. *There exists a one-to-one correspondence between the set of subgroups of g and the set of intermediate C*-subalgebras between $A \supset A^{\alpha}$. The correspondence is given as follows: For a subgroup H , the corresponding intermediate C*-algebra is the fixed point subalgebra of A under the restriction of α to H .*

7 On tensor poducts of von Neumann algebras

[GK96]

Thm 7.1 ([GK96], Thoerem A). *If \mathcal{M} is a factor, \mathcal{I} is a von Neumann algebra, and \mathcal{B} is a von Neumann subalgebra of $\mathcal{M} \overline{\otimes} \mathcal{I}$ that contains $\mathcal{M} \overline{\otimes} \mathbb{C}\mathcal{I}$, then $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{M} \overline{\otimes} \mathcal{J}$, where \mathcal{J} is a von Neumann subalgebra of \mathcal{I} .*

8 Splitting for subalgebras of tensor products

[Zac01]

Thm 8.1 ([Zac01], Corollary 3.4). *Let A be a unital C^* -algebra. Then A is simple and has property (S) iff for any unital C^* -algebra B and C s.t. $A \otimes 1 \subset C \subset A \otimes B$ we have $C = A \otimes B_0$ for some subalgebra $B_0 \subset B$.*

9 A criterion for splitting C^* -algebras in tensor products

[Zsi00]

Thm 9.1 ([Zsi00], Theorem). *Let A, D, C be unital C^* -algebras, A simple and nuclear, such that*

$$A \otimes 1_D \subset D \subset A \otimes_{\min} D.$$

Then

$$C = A \otimes_{\min} B$$

for some C^ -subalgebra $B \subset D$.*

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