# C\*-algebras and the Category of Stochastic Maps

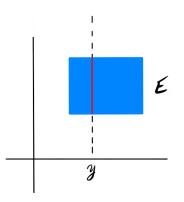
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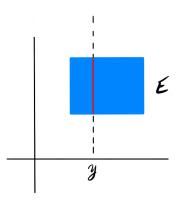
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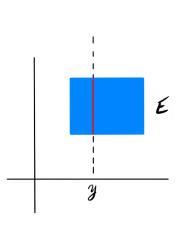


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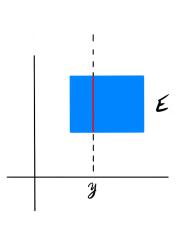
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Obviously, the slice has zero area measure.



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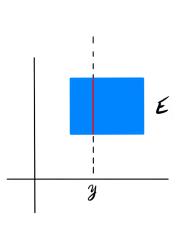


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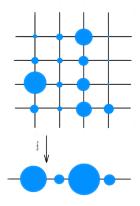
Let X and Y be two finite sets (equipped with the discrete  $\sigma$ -algebra). Let  $\mathrm{PM}(Y)$  denote the set of probability measures on Y. A stochastic map from X to Y is a function

$$X \xrightarrow{f} \mathrm{PM}(Y)$$
$$x \mapsto f(x)$$

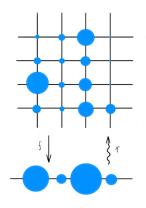
whose evaluation on subsets of Y is written as

$$Y\supseteq E\stackrel{f(x)}{\longmapsto} f_x(E)=\sum_{v\in E}f_x(\{y\})\in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}.$$

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Given a measure preserving function f we say the disintegration of  $\mu$  over  $\nu$  is consistent with f if for each  $F \in \Omega$  there exists a  $\nu$ -null set  $N_F \in \Omega$  such that  $r_{\gamma}(f^{-1}(F)) = 1$  for all  $y \in (Y \setminus N_F) \cap F$ 

#### Category of Stochastic Maps

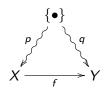
There is a one to one correspondence between stochastic maps  $f: X \leadsto Y$  and stochastic matrices  $F = (f_{xy})$  given by

$$f_{yx} := f_x(\{y\})$$

#### FinStoch:

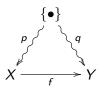
- Objects: Finite sets
- Morphisms: Stochastic maps
- Identity Morphism: Stochastic map associated to  $Id_{|X|}$
- Composition:  $(f \circ g)$  is the stochastic map associated to  $F \cdot G$

Let



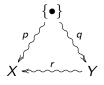
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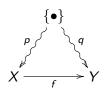
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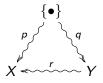
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## Category of $C^*$ -algebras

We'll also define the category **C\*-AlgCPU**.

#### C\*-AlgCPU:

Objects: C\*-algebras

Morphisms: Unital completely positive maps

• Identity Morphism: Identity map

Composition: composition of maps

#### A Contravariant Functor

#### **Theorem**

There is a fully faithful contravariant functor F going from FinStoch into C\*-AlgCPU obtained by

$$F(X) = \mathbb{C}^X$$

$$F(f): \mathbb{C}^Y \to \mathbb{C}^X$$

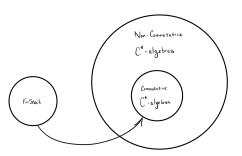
Where F(f) is the map given by sending the basis vector

$$e_y \mapsto \sum_{x \in X} f_{yx} e_x$$

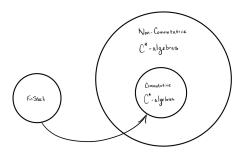
and extended linearly to all of  $\mathbb{C}^Y$ .

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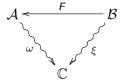
Functors preserve commutative diagrams between categories.



#### A Dictionary

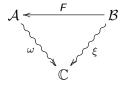
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\begin{array}{lll} \mbox{Functions} & \Rightarrow & \mbox{*-homomorphims} \\ \mbox{Prob. measures} & \Rightarrow & \mbox{states} \\ \mbox{Stochastic maps} & \Rightarrow & \mbox{CPU maps} \end{array}
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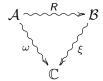
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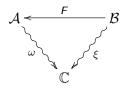
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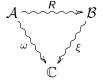
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#### Note:

For finite sets disintegrations always exists and thus always exist in the commutative C\*-algebra category as well given by the contravariant functor.

However, the existence in the non-commutative case is a bit more complicated.

#### A Counter Example

Let

$$ho := rac{1}{2} egin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \quad \sigma := rac{1}{2} egin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

 $F: \mathcal{M}_2(\mathbb{C}) \to \mathcal{M}_4(\mathbb{C})$  be a \*-homomorphism defined by

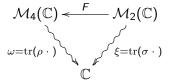
$$\mathcal{M}_2(\mathbb{C})\ni A\mapsto egin{bmatrix} A & 0 \ 0 & A \end{bmatrix},$$

and  $\omega:=\mathrm{tr}(\rho\cdot)$  and  $\xi:=\mathrm{tr}(\sigma\cdot)$  be the corresponding states.

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commutes, but there does not exist a CPU disintegration of  $\omega$  over  $\xi$  consistent with F, i.e. a CPU map  $R: \mathcal{M}_4(\mathbb{C}) \leadsto \mathcal{M}_2(\mathbb{C})$  such that

$$R \circ F = \mathrm{id}_{\mathcal{M}_2(\mathbb{C})}$$
 and  $\xi \circ R = \omega$ .

#### Theorem (Parzygnat-R)

Fix  $n, p \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let F be the \*-homomorphism given by the block diagonal inclusion

$$\mathcal{M}_n(\mathbb{C}) \ni A \stackrel{F}{\mapsto} \begin{bmatrix} A & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & A \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}_{np}(\mathbb{C})$$

and let

$$\mathcal{M}_{np}(\mathbb{C}) \stackrel{F}{\longleftarrow} \mathcal{M}_{n}(\mathbb{C})$$
$$\operatorname{tr}(\rho \cdot) \equiv \omega \qquad \qquad \xi \equiv \operatorname{tr}(\sigma \cdot)$$

be a state-preserving \*-homomorphism with  $\sigma$  a density matrix that has strictly positive eigenvalues. A CPU disintegration of  $\omega$  over  $\xi$  consistent with F exists if and only if there exists a density matrix  $\tau \in \mathcal{M}_p(\mathbb{C})$  such that  $\rho = \tau \otimes \sigma$ .

#### Example

Fix  $p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4 \ge 0$  with  $p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + p_4 = 1$ ,  $p_1 + p_3 > 0$ , and  $p_2 + p_4 > 0$ . Let

$$\rho = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & p_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & p_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & p_4 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \& \qquad \sigma = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 + p_3 & 0 \\ 0 & p_2 + p_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

there exists a CPU disintegration  $R: \mathcal{M}_4(\mathbb{C}) \leadsto \mathcal{M}_2(\mathbb{C})$  of  $\omega$  over  $\xi$  consistent with

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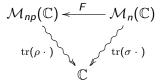
if and only if

$$p_1p_4=p_2p_3.$$

#### Pure States

#### Corollary (Parzygnat-R)

Given a commutative diagram



of CPU maps with  $\rho$  pure, if a disintegration exists, then  $\sigma$  must necessarily be pure as well.

#### Direct Sums

#### Theorem (Parzygnat-R)

Let,

$$\mathcal{M}_{m_1}(\mathbb{C}) \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathcal{M}_{m_s}(\mathbb{C}) \stackrel{F}{\longleftarrow} \mathcal{M}_{n_1}(\mathbb{C}) \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathcal{M}_{n_t}(\mathbb{C})$$

A disintegration R of  $\omega$  over  $\xi$  consistent with F exists if and only if for each  $i \in \{1, \ldots, s\}$  and  $j \in \{1, \ldots, t\}$  there exist non-negative matrices  $\tau_{ji} \in \mathcal{M}_{c_{ji}}(\mathbb{C})$  such that

$$\operatorname{tr}\left(\sum_{i=1}^s au_{ji}
ight) = 1 \qquad orall \, j \in \{1,\ldots,t\}$$

and 
$$p_i \rho_i = \operatorname{diag}(q_1 \tau_{1i} \otimes \sigma_1, \dots, q_t \tau_{ti} \otimes \sigma_t) \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, s\}.$$

#### Thanks!

Non-commutative disintegrations: existence and uniqueness in finite dimensions

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