

# The Jiang-Su absorption for $C^*$ -algebras (Joint work with Tamotsu Teruya)

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$$I(k, k+1) = \{f \in C[0, 1] \otimes M_k(\mathbf{C}) \otimes M_{k+1}(\mathbf{C}) \mid f(0) \in M_k(\mathbf{C}) \otimes I_{k+1}, f(1) \in I_k \otimes M_{k+1}(\mathbf{C})\}.$$

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# The structure of simple $C^*$ -algebras

## Definition

- 1 Two projections  $p$  and  $q$  in a  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$  are said to be **Murray-von Neumann equivalent** if  $p = v^*v$  and  $q = vv^*$  for some  $v$  in  $A$ . (Write  $p \sim q$ ), and  $p$  is subequivalent to  $q$ , written  $p \preceq q$ , if  $p$  is equivalent to a subprojection of  $q$ .
- 2 A projection in a  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$  is called **infinite** if it is equivalent to a proper subprojection of itself, and it is called to be **finite** otherwise.
- 3 A simple  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$  is called **stably infinite** if its stabilization  $A \otimes \mathcal{K}$  contains an infinite projection, and it is called **stably finite** otherwise.
- 4 A simple  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$  is said to be **purely infinite** if every non-zero hereditary subalgebra of  $A$  contains an infinite projection.



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- All commutative C\*-algebras and finite dimensional C\*-algebras are nuclear.
  - The nuclearity is stable under the stability isomorphism, inductive limits, C\*-extensions, crossed products by amenable groups, C\*-tensor products.

## Theorem (Kirchberg)

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## Theorem (Rørdam: 2003)

There is a simple, separable, nuclear  $C^*$ -algebra that is stably infinite but not purely infinite, and there is a simple, separable, nuclear, unital, finite  $C^*$ -algebra that is not stably finite.

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**Definition (Rieffel: '83, Brown-Pedersen: '91)**

If the set of invertible elements in a  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$  (or in the unitization of  $A$ , if  $A$  is non-unital) is dense in  $A$ , then  $A$  is said to be of **topological stable rank 1**, that is,  $\text{tsr}(A) = 1$ .

If the set of **self-adjoint element** invertible elements in the set of self-adjoint elements in  $A$ , then  $A$  is said to be of **real rank zero**, that is,  $\text{RR}(A) = 0$ .

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Winter-Zacharias (2010) introduced another non-commutative dimension, that is, **nuclear dimension**, which is weaker one than decomposition rank by Winter- Kirchberg (2004).

## Definition (Kirchberg-Winter: 2004)

Let  $A$  be a separable  $C^*$ -algebra.

- (1) A completely positive map  $\varphi: \bigoplus_{i=1}^s M_{r_i} \rightarrow A$  has order zero, if it preserves orthogonality, i.e.,  $\varphi(e)\varphi(f) = \varphi(f)\varphi(e) = 0$  for  $e, f \in \bigoplus_{i=1}^s M_{r_i}$  with  $ef = fe = 0$ .
- (2) A completely positive map  $\varphi: \bigoplus_{i=1}^s M_{r_i} \rightarrow A$  is  $n$ -decomposable, there is a decomposition  $\{1, \dots, s\} = \coprod_{j=0}^n I_j$  such that the restriction of  $\varphi$  to  $\bigoplus_{i \in I_j} M_{r_i}$  has order zero for each  $j \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ .

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(3)  $A$  has decomposition rank  $n$ ,  $\text{dr}A = n$ , if  $n$  is the least integer such that the following holds : Given  $\{a_1, \dots, a_m\} \subset A$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is a completely positive approximation property  $(F, \psi, \varphi)$  for  $a_1, \dots, a_m$  within  $\varepsilon$ , i.e.,  $F$  is a finite dimensional  $C^*$ -algebra, and  $\psi: A \rightarrow F$  and  $\varphi: F \rightarrow A$  are completely positive contraction (= c. p. c.) such that

- 1  $\|\varphi\psi(a_i) - a_i\| < \varepsilon$ ,
- 2  $\varphi$  is  $n$ -decomposable.

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2  $\|\psi\| \leq 1$

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The followings are basic facts about finite decomposition and nuclear dimension by [Kirchberg-Winter: 2004], [Winter: 2010], [Winter-Zacharias: 2010]:

- (1) If  $\dim_{\text{nuc}}(A) \leq n < \infty$ , then  $A$  is nuclear.
- (2) For any  $C^*$ -algebras  $\dim_{\text{nuc}} A \leq \text{dr}A$ .
- (3)  $\dim_{\text{nuc}} A = 0$  if and only if  $\text{dr}A = 0$  if and only if  $A$  is an AF algebra.
- (4) Nuclear dimension and decomposition rank in general do not coincide. Indeed, the Toeplitz algebra  $\mathcal{T}$  has nuclear dimension at most 2, but its decomposition rank is infinity. Note that if  $\text{dr}A \leq n < \infty$ ,  $A$  is quasidiagonal, that is, stably finite. The Toeplitz algebra  $\mathcal{T}$  has an isometry, and we know that  $\mathcal{T}$  is infinite.
- (5) Let  $X$  be a locally compact Hausdorff space. Then

$$\dim_{\text{nuc}} C_0(X) = \text{dr}C_0(X).$$

In particular, if  $X$  is second countable,

$$\dim_{\text{nuc}} C_0(X) = \text{dr}C_0(X) = \dim X.$$

- (6) For any  $n \in \mathbf{N}$   $\dim_{\text{nuc}} A = \dim_{\text{nuc}}(M_n(A)) = \dim_{\text{nuc}}(A \otimes \mathcal{K})$   
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### Question

If a  $C^*$ -algebra with  $\dim_{\text{nuc}}(A) < +\infty$  and  $A$  has a faithful trace,  
 $\dim_{\text{nuc}}(A) = \text{dr}(A)$  ?



# Comparison Theory for $C^*$ -algebras

The comparison properties for a  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$  are contained in the ordered monoid  $V(A)$  (consisting of equivalent classes of projections) and  $W(A)$  (consisting of equivalent classes of positive elements) respectively, in the  $*$ -algebra  $M_\infty(A) = \bigcup_{n=1}^\infty M_n(A)$ . Following Cuntz, comparison of positive elements  $a, b \in M_\infty(A)$  is defined as follows:  $a \preceq b$  if there is a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $M_\infty(A)$  such that  $x_n^* b x_n \rightarrow a$ , and by  $a \sim b$  iff  $a \preceq b$  and  $b \preceq a$  one defines equivalence relations on the positive elements. The set  $V(A)$  and  $W(A)$  become ordered abelian semigroups by defining addition to be "orthogonal addition".

If  $A$  is generated as an ideal by its projections (in particular, simple  $C^*$ -algebras with non-trivial projection),  $K_0(A)$  is the Grothendieck group of  $V(A)$ , and the positive cone,  $K_0(A)^+$ , is the image of  $V(A)$  in  $K_0(A)$ .

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It is known that  $V(A)$  and  $W(A)$  are almost unperforated for many  $C^*$ -algebras:

- All purely infinite simple  $C^*$ -algebras
- All  $C^*$ -algebras of the form  $A \otimes \mathcal{Z}$ , that is, which absorb  $\mathcal{Z}$

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## Theorem (Rørdam: 2004)

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## Conjecture (Elliott: stably finite case)

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The following result says that  $K$ -data is not enough for classification.

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Very recently, Sato reported that for simple, separable, unital, nuclear, QD,  $C^*$ -algebras  $A, B$  with unique tracial states satisfying the strict comparison and the UCT, then  $A \cong B$  if and only if

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## Theorem (Sato-White-Winter: 2014)

Let  $A$  be a simple, unital, separable, infinite-dimensional, nuclear  $C^*$ -algebra with a unique tracial state. If  $A$  has the strict comparison, then  $\dim_{nuc}(A) \leq 3$ . Hence, Toms-Winter conjecture is affirmative.





## Definition (Toms-Winter: 2005)

A  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{D}$  is called *strongly self-absorbing* if  $\mathcal{D} \not\cong \mathbf{C}$  and there is an isomorphism  $\phi: \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{D} \otimes \mathcal{D}$  satisfying  $\phi$  and the map  $id_{\mathcal{D}} \otimes I_{\mathcal{D}}$  are approximately unitarily equivalent, that is ,

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## Theorem (Toms-Winter: 2008 and Winter: 2009)

A unital  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{D}$  is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{Z}$  if and only if  $\mathcal{D}$  is strongly self-absorbing and  $\mathcal{D}$  is  $KK$ -equivalent to  $\mathbf{C}$ .

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## Definition (Watatani: '90)

Let  $P \subset A$  be an inclusion of unital C\*-algebras with a conditional expectation  $E$  from  $A$  onto  $P$ .

- 1 A *quasi-basis* for  $E$  is a finite set  $\{(u_i, v_i)\}_{i=1}^n \subset A \times A$  such that for every  $a \in A$ ,

$$a = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i E(v_i a) = \sum_{i=1}^n E(a u_i) v_i.$$

- 2 When  $\{(u_i, v_i)\}_{i=1}^n$  is a quasi-basis for  $E$ , we define  $\text{Index} E$  by

$$\text{Index} E = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i v_i.$$

When there is no quasi-basis, we write  $\text{Index} E = \infty$ .  $\text{Index} E$  is called the Watatani index of  $E$ .



## Definition (Kodaka-Osaka-Teruya: 2008)

A conditional expectation  $E$  of a unital  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$  with a finite index is said to have the *Rokhlin property* if there exists a projection  $e \in A' \cap A^\infty$  satisfying

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## Proposition (Kodaka-Osaka-Teruya: 2008)

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# Main result(Rokhlin:unital case)

## Theorem (Osaka-Teruya: 2010)

Let  $P \subset A$  be an inclusion of unital  $C^*$ -algebras and  $E: A \rightarrow P$  be a faithful conditional expectation of index finite. Suppose that  $E$  has the Rokhlin property and  $\mathcal{D}$  is a separable unital self-absorbing  $C^*$ -algebra.

- 1 If  $A$  is  $\mathcal{D}$ -absorbing, then  $P$  is  $\mathcal{D}$ -absorbing.
- 2 If  $A$  is an inductive limit of weakly semiprojective  $C^*$ -algebras and is strongly self-absorbing, then  $P$  is strongly self-absorbing.
- 3 If  $A$  is a UHF-algebra of infinite type,  $\mathcal{O}_2$ ,  $\mathcal{O}_\infty$ , and  $\mathcal{O}_\infty \otimes UHF$ -algebra of infinite type, then  $P \cong A$  and  $C^*\langle A, e_P \rangle$  is stably isomorphic to  $A$ .

## Corollary (Hirshberg-Winter: 2007)

Let  $A$  be a separable, unital, simple  $C^*$ -algebra and  $\alpha$  be an action of a finite group  $G$  on  $A$ . Suppose that  $\alpha$  has the Rokhlin property. If  $A$  is  $\mathcal{D}$ -absorbing, then the crossed product algebra  $A \rtimes_{\alpha} G$  is  $\mathcal{D}$ -absorbing.

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## Lemma

Let  $A \supset P$  be an inclusion of unital  $C^*$ -algebras and  $E$  a conditional expectation from  $A$  onto  $P$  with index finite type. Suppose that  $A$  is simple. If  $E$  has the tracial Rokhlin property with a Rokhlin projection  $e \in A_\infty$  and a projection  $g = (\text{Index} E)E^\infty(e)$ , then there is a unital linear map  $\beta: A^\infty \rightarrow P^\infty g$  such that for any  $x \in A^\infty$  there exists the unique element  $y$  of  $P^\infty$  such that  $xe = ye = \beta(x)e$  and  $\beta(A' \cap A^\infty) \subset P' \cap P^\infty g$ . In particular,  $\beta|_A$  is a unital injective  $*$ -homomorphism and  $\beta(x) = xg$  for all  $x \in P$ .

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## Corollary

Let  $P \subset A$  be an inclusion of unital  $C^*$ -algebras and  $E$  a conditional expectation from  $A$  onto  $P$  with index finite type. Suppose that  $A$  is an infinite dimensional simple  $C^*$ -algebra with tracial topological rank zero (resp. less than or equal to one) and  $E$  has the tracial Rokhlin property. Then  $P$  has tracial rank zero (resp. less than or equal to one).

## Theorem

Let  $P \subset A$  be an inclusion of unital  $C^*$ -algebra and  $E$  be a conditional expectation from  $A$  onto  $P$  with index finite type. Suppose that  $A$  is simple, separable, nuclear,  $\mathcal{Z}$ -absorbing and  $E$  has the tracial Rohklin property.  $P$  is  $\mathcal{Z}$ -absorbing.

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## Corollary

Let  $A$  be an infinite dimensional simple separable unital  $C^*$ -algebra and let  $\alpha: G \rightarrow \text{Aut}(A)$  be an action of a finite group  $G$  with the tracial Rokhlin property. Suppose that  $A$  is  $\mathcal{Z}$ -absorbing. Then we have

- 1 (Hirshberg- Orovitz:2013) The fixed point algebra  $A^\alpha$  and the crossed product  $A \rtimes_\alpha G$  are  $\mathcal{Z}$ -absorbing.
- 2 For any subgroup  $H$  of  $G$  the fixed point algebra  $A^H$  is  $\mathcal{Z}$ -absorbing.

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# Main result (Rokhlin: nonunital case)

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Let  $P \subset A$  be an inclusion of separable  $C^*$ -algebras and  $E: A \rightarrow P$  be a conditional expectation of index finite in the sense of Izumi. A conditional expectation  $E$  is said to have the *Rokhlin property* if there exists a projection  $e \in A' \cap A^\infty$  satisfying

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is a projection and  $fa = a$  ( $\forall a \in A$ ) and a map  $A \ni x \mapsto xe$  is injective, where  $\text{Index}_P E = \sup\{\lambda > 0: \frac{1}{\lambda}E - Id \text{ is positive}\}$ . We call  $e$  a Rokhlin projection.

## Definition (cf. Santiago:2014)

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As in the case of the Rokhlin property in the sense of Izumi we have the following characterization.

## Proposition

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## Corollary (cf. Santiago:2014)

Let  $A$  be a separable, simple  $C^*$ -algebra and  $\alpha$  be an action of a finite group  $G$  on  $A$ . Suppose that  $\alpha$  has the Rokhlin property in the sense of Santiago. Then if  $A$  is  $\mathcal{D}$ -absorbing, the crossed product algebra  $A \rtimes_{\alpha} G$  is  $\mathcal{D}$ -absorbing.