

# Solutions to the quantum YB equation and related deformations

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## Background

A correspondence (a duality) between

spaces and algebras of functions on these spaces

The idea of noncommutative geometry:

forget the commutativity of the algebras of functions and replace them by appropriate classes of noncommutative associative algebras. These are considered as **algebras of functions** on some (virtual) **noncommutative spaces**

For instance, the natural algebras of functions on finite-dimensional vector spaces are the algebras of polynomial functions generated by the coordinates; in these polynomial algebras the coordinates commute.

Given a class of noncommutative associative algebras generalizing the polynomial algebras, one may consider **regular** algebras generated by coordinates in which they satisfy relations other than the commutation between them and defining thereby, **by duality**, **noncommutative vector spaces**.

In the following,

a noncommutative  $\mathbb{R}^N$  correspond,

by duality,

to a regular complex  $*$ -algebra generated by

hermitian elements  $x^k$ ,  $k \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ .

## Abstract

- noncommutative generalizations of  $\mathbb{R}^{N_1} \times \mathbb{R}^{N_2}$
- noncommutative generalizations of  $\mathbb{S}^{N_1+N_2-1}$
- noncommutative generalizations of  $\mathbb{S}^{N_1-1} \times \mathbb{S}^{N_2-1}$
- a quaternionic noncommutative torus  $\mathbb{S}^3 \times_{\mathbf{u}} \mathbb{S}^3$ ,  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{S}^2 = \mathrm{SU}(2)/\mathrm{U}(1)$
- spherical manifolds : volume forms from top Chern–Connes characters
- generalized Clifford algebras  $\mathrm{Cl}(\mathcal{A}_R)$
- noncommutative principal bundles

everything algebraic

The  $\theta$ -deformation symmetry :  $\mathbb{T}^2 = U(1) \times U(1)$

$\mathbb{C}_\theta^2 =$  Noncommutative space dual to the

\*-algebra  $\mathcal{A}_\theta$  generated by normal elements  $z_1, z_2$  with relations

$$z_1 z_2 = e^{i\theta} z_2 z_1, \quad z_1 z_2^* = e^{-i\theta} z_2^* z_1 \quad (1)$$

$\Rightarrow$  center generated by  $z_1 z_1^* = \|z_1\|^2$  and  $z_2 z_2^* = \|z_2\|^2$

2-torus and 3-sphere

$$\mathbb{C} \times_\theta \mathbb{C} / (\|z_1\|^2 - 1, \|z_2\|^2 - 1) = \mathbb{T}_\theta^2 \quad \|z_1\|^2 = 1, \quad \|z_2\|^2 = 1$$

$$\mathbb{C} \times_\theta \mathbb{C} / (\|z_1\|^2 + \|z_2\|^2 - 1) = \mathbb{S}_\theta^3 \quad \|z_1\|^2 + \|z_2\|^2 = 1$$

nice examples of singular spaces

associated with noncommutative tori

and an action of the commutative torus  $\mathbb{T}^2$

Hermitian generators: real version  $\mathbb{C}_\theta^2 = (\mathbb{R}^2)_\theta^2 = \mathbb{R}^2 \times_\theta \mathbb{R}^2$

$$z_1 = x_1^1 + ix_1^2, \quad z_2 = x_2^1 + ix_2^2, \quad (x_k^\lambda)^* = x_k^\lambda$$

and relation (1) + normality of  $z_k \iff (2)$

$$\begin{cases} x_1^\lambda x_1^\mu = x_1^\mu x_1^\lambda & ; & x_2^\lambda x_2^\mu = x_2^\mu x_2^\lambda \\ x_1^\lambda x_2^\mu = R_{\nu\rho}^{\lambda\mu} x_2^\nu x_1^\rho \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

with

$$R_{\nu\rho}^{\lambda\mu} = \cos(\theta) \delta_\rho^\lambda \delta_\nu^\mu + i \sin(\theta) C_\rho^\lambda D_\nu^\mu \quad C = -D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

## The quadratic \*-algebra $\mathcal{A}_R$

The \*-algebra  $\mathcal{A}_R$  is generated by two sets of hermitian elements  $x_1^\lambda$  with  $\lambda \in \{1, \dots, N_1\}$  and  $x_2^\alpha$  with  $\alpha \in \{1, \dots, N_2\}$  with relations

$$\begin{cases} x_1^\lambda x_1^\mu = x_1^\mu x_1^\lambda & ; & x_2^\alpha x_2^\beta = x_2^\beta x_2^\alpha \\ x_1^\lambda x_2^\alpha = R_{\beta\mu}^{\lambda\alpha} x_2^\beta x_1^\mu \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

for suitable  $R_{\beta\mu}^{\lambda\alpha} \in \mathbb{C}$ . In view of the hermiticity of the  $x_1^\lambda, x_2^\alpha$  we impose

$$\overline{R_{\beta\mu}^{\lambda\alpha}} R_{\gamma\nu}^{\mu\beta} = \delta_\nu^\lambda \delta_\gamma^\alpha \quad (4)$$

Thus  $\mathcal{A}_R$  is a graded quadratic algebra  $\mathcal{A}_R = \bigoplus_n \mathcal{A}_R^n$

which is connected:  $\mathcal{A}_R^0 = \mathbb{C}\mathbf{1}$  ;

the elements  $x_1^\lambda, x_2^\alpha$  form a basis of  $\mathcal{A}_R^1$  ;

by the requirement (4):

the elements  $x_1^\lambda x_1^\mu$  with  $\lambda \leq \mu$ ,  $x_2^\alpha x_2^\beta$  with  $\alpha \leq \beta$  and  $x_1^\lambda x_2^\alpha$  form a basis of  $\mathcal{A}_R^2$ .

## The Koszul dual $\mathcal{A}_R^!$

A (homogeneous) quadratic algebra is an algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  of the form

$$\mathcal{A} = T(E)/(\mathcal{R})$$

$E$  is a finite-dim vector space and  $(\mathcal{R})$  is the ideal generated by  $\mathcal{R} \subset E \otimes E$ .

The algebra  $\mathcal{A} = A(E, R)$  is a connected ( i.e.  $\mathcal{A}_0 = \mathbb{C}\mathbf{1}$  ) graded algebra  $\mathcal{A} = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{A}_n$  generated by the degree 1 part,  $\mathcal{A}_1 = E$ .

The Koszul dual  $\mathcal{A}^!$  of  $\mathcal{A}$  is the quadratic algebra

$$\mathcal{A}^! = T(E^*)/(\mathcal{R}^\perp)$$

where  $\mathcal{R}^\perp \subset E^* \otimes E^*$  is the orthogonal of  $\mathcal{R}$ :  $\mathcal{R}^\perp = \{\omega \in E^* \otimes E^* ; \langle \omega, r \rangle = 0\}$ .

Our  $\mathcal{A}_R^!$  is generated by the dual bases  $\theta_\lambda^1, \theta_\alpha^2$  of the  $x_1^\lambda, x_2^\alpha$  with relations

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \theta_\lambda^1 \theta_\mu^2 = -\theta_\mu^2 \theta_\lambda^1 \quad ; \quad \theta_\alpha^2 \theta_\beta^2 = -\theta_\beta^2 \theta_\alpha^2 \\ \theta_\beta^2 \theta_\mu^1 = -R_{\beta\mu}^{\lambda\alpha} \theta_\lambda^1 \theta_\alpha^2 \end{array} \right. \quad (5)$$

## More on Koszul algebras

With Koszul dual  $\mathcal{A}^!$ ,  $\mathcal{A}^! = A(E^*, R^\perp)$ ,

The sequence of free left  $\mathcal{A}$ -modules

$$K(\mathcal{A}) \quad \cdots \xrightarrow{b} \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}_{n+1}^{!*} \xrightarrow{b} \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}_n^{!*} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}_2^{!*} \xrightarrow{b} \mathcal{A} \otimes E \xrightarrow{b} \mathcal{A} \rightarrow 0$$

where  $b : \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}_{n+1}^{!*} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}_n^{!*}$  defined by

$$b(a \otimes (x_0 \otimes x_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes x_n)) = ax_0 \otimes (x_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes x_n)$$

is such that  $b^2 = 0$ , is a chain complex  $K(\mathcal{A})$  of free left  $\mathcal{A}$ -modules called the *Koszul complex* of the quadratic algebra  $\mathcal{A}$ .

The quadratic algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is said to be a **Koszul algebra** whenever its Koszul complex is acyclic in positive degrees, that is,

$$H_n(K(\mathcal{A})) = 0 \quad \text{for } n \geq 1.$$

If  $\mathcal{A} = A(E, R)$  quadratic Koszul is such that  $\mathcal{A}_D^! \neq 0$  and  $\mathcal{A}_n^! = 0$  for  $n > D$ , then the trivial (left) module  $\mathbb{C}$  has projective dimension  $D$  which implies that  $\mathcal{A}$  has **global dimension**  $D$ .

A cochain complex  $L(\mathcal{A})$  of right  $\mathcal{A}$ -modules

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{b'} \cdots \xrightarrow{b'} \mathcal{A}_n^! \otimes \mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{b'} \mathcal{A}_{n+1}^! \otimes \mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{b'} \cdots . \quad (6)$$

with  $b'$  left multiplication by  $\sum_k \theta^k \otimes e_k$  in  $\mathcal{A}^! \otimes \mathcal{A}$  and  $(e_k, \theta^j)$  are dual bases.

The algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is said to be **Koszul-Gorenstein** if it is Koszul of finite global dimension  $D$  as above and if  $H^n(L(\mathcal{A})) = \mathbb{C} \delta_D^n$ .

This implies that  $\mathcal{A}_n^! \simeq \mathcal{A}_{D-n}^{!*}$  as vector spaces (a version of **Poincaré duality**).

Finally, a graded algebra  $\mathcal{A} = \bigoplus_n \mathcal{A}_n$  is said to have *polynomial growth* whenever there are a positive  $C$  and  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that, for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\dim(\mathcal{A}_n) \leq Cn^{N-1}.$$

## An $\mathcal{R}$ -matrix

Define  $x^a$  for  $a \in \{1, \dots, N_1 + N_2\}$  by  $x^\lambda = x_1^\lambda$ ,  $x^{\alpha+N_1} = x_2^\alpha$ .

Then the relations for  $\mathcal{A}_R$  in (3) together with  $x_2^\alpha x_1^\lambda = \bar{R}_{\beta\mu}^{\lambda\alpha} x_1^\mu x_2^\alpha$  reads

$$x^a x^b = \mathcal{R}_{cd}^{ab} x^c x^d \quad (7)$$

In view of (3) and (4) one gets:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}_{\tau\rho}^{\lambda\mu} &= \delta_\rho^\lambda \delta_\tau^\mu, & \mathcal{R}_{\alpha\beta}^{\gamma\delta} &= \delta_\beta^\gamma \delta_\alpha^\delta \\ \mathcal{R}_{\beta\mu}^{\lambda\alpha} &= R_{\beta\mu}^{\lambda\alpha}, & \mathcal{R}_{\mu\beta}^{\alpha\lambda} &= \bar{R}_{\beta\mu}^{\lambda\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}_{\alpha\nu}^{\lambda\mu} &= \mathcal{R}_{\alpha\beta}^{\lambda\mu} = \mathcal{R}_{\nu\beta}^{\lambda\mu} = 0, \\ \mathcal{R}_{\lambda\beta}^{\alpha\gamma} &= \mathcal{R}_{\lambda\mu}^{\alpha\gamma} = \mathcal{R}_{\beta\mu}^{\alpha\gamma} = 0, \\ \mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu}^{\lambda\alpha} &= \mathcal{R}_{\beta\gamma}^{\lambda\alpha} = \mathcal{R}_{\mu\beta}^{\lambda\alpha} = 0, \\ \mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha\lambda} &= \mathcal{R}_{\beta\gamma}^{\alpha\lambda} = \mathcal{R}_{\beta\mu}^{\alpha\lambda} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

## Involutive and the Yang-Baxter condition

The matrix  $\mathcal{R}$  is involutive, i.e.  $\mathcal{R}^2 = \mathbf{1} \otimes \mathbf{1}$  or

$$\mathcal{R}_{cd}^{ab} \mathcal{R}_{ef}^{cd} = \delta_e^a \delta_f^b$$

We next impose the Yang-Baxter condition for  $\mathcal{R}$

$$(\mathcal{R} \otimes \mathbf{1})(\mathbf{1} \otimes \mathcal{R})(\mathcal{R} \otimes \mathbf{1})^{abc} = (\mathbf{1} \otimes \mathcal{R})(\mathcal{R} \otimes \mathbf{1})(\mathbf{1} \otimes \mathcal{R})^{abc}$$

This breaks in a series of conditions



## Noncommutative product of $\mathbb{R}^{N_1}$ and $\mathbb{R}^{N_2}$

The classical (commutative) solution  $R = R_0$  is

$$(R_0)_{\beta\mu}^{\lambda\alpha} = \delta_\mu^\lambda \delta_\beta^\alpha$$

and the corresponding algebra  $\mathcal{A}_{R_0}$  is the algebra of polynomial functions on the product  $\mathbb{R}^{N_1} \times \mathbb{R}^{N_2}$

This is the reason we define the **noncommutative product of  $\mathbb{R}^{N_1}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^{N_2}$**

$$\mathbb{R}^{N_1} \times_R \mathbb{R}^{N_2}$$

to be the “dual” of the algebra  $\mathcal{A}_R$  for general  $R$ .

## Regularity properties of $\mathcal{A}_R$ and $\mathcal{A}_R^!$

Since the relations of  $\mathcal{A}_R$  can be written as an  $\mathcal{R}$  which is involutive and satisfies the Yang-Baxter equation,

it follows from general results (Gurevich, Wambst) that  $\mathcal{A}_R$  is very regular.

In particular  $\mathcal{A}_R$  is a **Koszul algebra of global dimension  $N_1 + N_2$  having the Gorenstein property** (an appropriate version of the Poincaré duality property)

In our case, this implies that, in terms of the  $x^a$  and the dual basis  $\theta_a$ :

the  $x^{a_1} \dots x^{a_p}$  for  $a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_p$  and  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  is a basis of  $\mathcal{A}_R$

while the  $\theta_{a_1} \dots \theta_{a_p}$  for  $a_1 < \dots < a_p$  and  $p \in \{1, \dots, N_1 + N_2\}$  is a basis of  $\mathcal{A}_R^!$ .

As a consequence the Poincaré series are classical :

$$P_{\mathcal{A}_R}(t) := \sum_n \dim(\mathcal{A}_R^n) t^n = \left( \frac{1}{1-t} \right)^{N_1+N_2} \quad \text{and} \quad P_{\mathcal{A}_R^!}(t) = (1+t)^{N_1+N_2} \quad (8)$$

## Regularity properties cont.d

The algebra  $\mathcal{A}_R$  is even a Calabi–Yau algebra:

any generator of the top one-dimensional space  $((\mathcal{A}_R^!)_{N_1+N_2})^*$

is a cyclic potential for the algebra  $\mathcal{A}_R$  (Ginzburg)

( a cyclic pre-regular multilinear form )

## Noncommutative product of Euclidean spaces

**Theorem.** The following conditions (i) (ii) and (iii) are equivalent :

$$(i) \sum_{a=1}^{N_1+N_2} (x^a)^2 = \sum_{\lambda=1}^{N_1} (x_1^\lambda)^2 + \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_2} (x_2^\alpha)^2 \quad \text{is central in } \mathcal{A}_R,$$

$$(ii) \sum_{\lambda=1}^{N_1} (x_1^\lambda)^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_2} (x_2^\alpha)^2 \quad \text{are in the center of } \mathcal{A}_R, \quad (9)$$

$$(iii) \sum_{\lambda=1}^{N_1} R_{\beta\nu}^{\lambda\gamma} R_{\alpha\mu}^{\lambda\beta} = \delta_\alpha^\gamma \delta_{\mu\nu} \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_2} R_{\beta\rho}^{\lambda\alpha} R_{\gamma\mu}^{\rho\alpha} = \delta_\mu^\lambda \delta_{\beta\gamma}$$

We take  $R$  to satisfy also (9) and define the **the noncommutative product of the Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^{N_1}$  with the Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^{N_2}$**  to be dual of  $\mathcal{A}_R$ .

Clearly, the relations (11) are satisfied by the classical  $R = R_0$ ;

$\mathcal{A}_R$  generalizes the algebra of polynomial functions on the product  $\mathbb{R}^{N_1} \times \mathbb{R}^{N_2}$

## Restrictions on the structure of $R$

By using (4) and (9) one obtains relations

$$R_{\alpha\mu}^{\lambda\beta} = R_{\beta\lambda}^{\mu\alpha} = \overline{R}_{\alpha\lambda}^{\mu\beta} = (R^{-1})_{\lambda\alpha}^{\beta\mu} \quad (10)$$

as well as

$$R_{\beta\rho}^{\lambda\alpha} R_{\gamma\mu}^{\rho\delta} = R_{\gamma\rho}^{\lambda\delta} R_{\beta\mu}^{\rho\alpha} \quad \text{and} \quad R_{\gamma\nu}^{\lambda\alpha} R_{\beta\rho}^{\mu\gamma} = R_{\gamma\rho}^{\mu\alpha} R_{\beta\nu}^{\lambda\gamma} \quad (11)$$

### **Corollary.**

Relations (3) define (the algebra of) a **noncommutative product** of a  $N_1$ -dimensional with a  $N_2$ -dimensional Euclidean spaces if and only if the  $R_{\beta\mu}^{\lambda\alpha}$  satisfy relations (10) and (11).

## Noncommutative product of spheres

The elements

$\sum_{\lambda=1}^{N_1} (x_1^\lambda)^2 = \|x_1\|^2$  and  $\sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_2} (x_2^\alpha)^2 = \|x_2\|^2$  of  $\mathcal{A}_R$  being central one may consider the quotient algebra

$$\mathcal{A}_R / (\{\|x_1\|^2 - \mathbf{1}, \|x_2\|^2 - \mathbf{1}\}) \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \mathbb{S}^{N_1-1} \times_R \mathbb{S}^{N_2-1}$$

This defines by duality:

the noncommutative product of the classical spheres  $\mathbb{S}^{N_1-1}$  and  $\mathbb{S}^{N_2-1}$ .

Indeed, for  $R = R_0$ , the above quotient is the restriction to  $\mathbb{S}^{N_1-1} \times \mathbb{S}^{N_2-1}$  of the polynomial functions on  $\mathbb{R}^{N_1+N_2}$ .

## Noncommutative spheres

With  $\|x\|^2$  denoting the central element  $\sum_{a=1}^{N_1+N_2} (x^a)^2 = \|x_1\|^2 + \|x_2\|^2$ , one may also consider the quotient of  $\mathcal{A}_R$

$$\mathcal{A}_R / (\|x\|^2 - \mathbf{1}) \quad \leftrightarrow \quad (\mathbb{S}^{N_1+N_2-1})_R$$

This defines (dualy) the noncommutative  $(N_1 + N_2 - 1)$ -sphere  $(\mathbb{S}^{N_1+N_2-1})_R$  (a subspace of the noncommutative product of  $\mathbb{R}^{N_1}$  with  $\mathbb{R}^{N_2}$ )

This is a **noncommutative spherical manifold** in the sense of Connes–Landi and Connes–Dubois-Violette (see later).

## The (generalized) Clifford algebra $Cl(\mathcal{A}_R)$

The  $*$ -algebra  $Cl(\mathcal{A}_R)$  is generated by two sets of hermitian elements  $\Gamma_\lambda^1$  with  $\lambda \in \{1, \dots, N_1\}$  and  $\Gamma_\alpha^2$  with  $\alpha \in \{1, \dots, N_2\}$  with relations

$$\begin{cases} \Gamma_\lambda^1 \Gamma_\mu^1 + \Gamma_\mu^1 \Gamma_\lambda^1 = 2\delta_{\lambda\mu} \mathbf{1} \\ \Gamma_\alpha^2 \Gamma_\beta^2 + \Gamma_\beta^2 \Gamma_\alpha^2 = 2\delta_{\alpha\beta} \mathbf{1} \\ \Gamma_\beta^2 \Gamma_\mu^1 + R_{\beta\mu}^{\lambda\alpha} \Gamma_\lambda^1 \Gamma_\alpha^2 = 0 \end{cases} \quad (12)$$

**Proposition** In the algebra  $Cl(\mathcal{A}_R) \otimes \mathcal{A}_R$  one has :

$$(\Gamma_\lambda^1 \otimes x_1^\lambda)^2 = \mathbf{1} \otimes \|x_1\|^2, \quad (\Gamma_\alpha^2 \otimes x_2^\alpha)^2 = \mathbf{1} \otimes \|x_2\|^2$$

and

$$(\Gamma_\lambda^1 \otimes x_1^\lambda)(\Gamma_\alpha^2 \otimes x_2^\alpha) + (\Gamma_\alpha^2 \otimes x_2^\alpha)(\Gamma_\lambda^1 \otimes x_1^\lambda) = 0$$

## Structure of $Cl(\mathcal{A}_R)$

Last proposition is equivalent to

$$(\Gamma(x))^2 = \mathbf{1} \otimes \|x\|^2 \quad (13)$$

with  $\Gamma(x) = \Gamma_a \otimes x^a = \Gamma_\lambda^1 \otimes x_1^\lambda + \Gamma_\alpha^2 \otimes x_2^\alpha$  and  $\|x\|^2 = \sum_{a=1}^{N_1+N_2} (x^a)^2$ .

The algebra  $Cl(\mathcal{A}_R)$  is nonhomogeneous quadratic with  $\mathcal{A}_R^!$  as homogeneous part. It is not  $\mathbb{N}$ -graded but only  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -graded and filtered with

$$\mathcal{F}^n = F^n(Cl(\mathcal{A}_R)) = \{\text{elements of degree in } \Gamma \leq n\}$$

One has a surjective canonical homomorphism of graded algebra

$$\text{can} : \mathcal{A}_R^! \rightarrow \text{gr}(Cl(\mathcal{A}_R^!)) = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{F}^n / \mathcal{F}^{n-1} \quad (14)$$

which induce the isomorphism of vector spaces

$$(\mathcal{A}_R^!)^1 \simeq \mathcal{F}^1 / \mathcal{F}^0$$

## Structure of $Cl(\mathcal{A}_R)$ - cont.d

The fact that  $\|x\|^2 = \sum (x^a)^2$  is central in  $\mathcal{A}_R$  and the Koszulity of  $\mathcal{A}_R^!$  imply the following PBW property (via the duality of Positselski).

**Proposition** The homomorphism (14) is an isomorphism of graded algebras.

Thus  $Cl(\mathcal{A}_R)$  is a Koszul nonhomogeneous quadratic algebra since  $\mathcal{A}_R^!$  is Koszul, (cf. Dubois-Violette). This implies

$$\dim Cl(\mathcal{A}_R) = \dim \mathcal{A}_R^! = 2^{N_1+N_2}$$

One has the following isomorphisms :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} Cl(N_1) \simeq \text{subalgebra of } Cl(\mathcal{A}) \text{ generated by the } \Gamma_\lambda^1 \\ Cl(N_2) \simeq \text{subalgebra of } Cl(\mathcal{A}) \text{ generated by the } \Gamma_\alpha^2 \end{array} \right.$$

and

$$Cl(\mathcal{A}_R) \simeq Cl(N_1 + N_2) \tag{15}$$

## The general solution for the megtrix $\mathcal{R}$

Let us introduce a two-index  $\binom{\lambda}{\alpha}$  with  $\lambda \in \{1, \dots, N_1\}$  and  $\alpha \in \{1, \dots, N_2\}$ . Then the conditions (10) can be read as symmetry conditions:

$$R_{\binom{\mu}{\beta}}^{\binom{\lambda}{\alpha}} = R_{\binom{\lambda}{\alpha}}^{\binom{\mu}{\beta}} = \overline{R}_{\binom{\lambda}{\alpha}}^{\binom{\mu}{\beta}} = (R^{-1})_{\binom{\lambda}{\alpha}}^{\binom{\mu}{\beta}}.$$

While, the quadratic conditions in (11) can be written as

$$R_{\binom{\rho}{\beta}}^{\binom{\lambda}{\alpha}} R_{\binom{\mu}{\delta}}^{\binom{\gamma}{\nu}} = R_{\binom{\gamma}{\nu}}^{\binom{\lambda}{\alpha}} R_{\binom{\mu}{\delta}}^{\binom{\rho}{\beta}} \quad \text{and} \quad R_{\binom{\nu}{\gamma}}^{\binom{\lambda}{\alpha}} R_{\binom{\rho}{\beta}}^{\binom{\mu}{\delta}} = R_{\binom{\rho}{\beta}}^{\binom{\mu}{\delta}} R_{\binom{\nu}{\gamma}}^{\binom{\lambda}{\alpha}}.$$

**Theorem** The general solution is of the form

$$R_{\alpha\mu}^{\lambda\beta} = S_{\mu\alpha}^{\lambda\beta} + i A_{\mu\alpha}^{\lambda\beta}$$

$$\text{with} \quad [S, A] = 0 \quad S^2 + A^2 = \mathbf{1}_{N_1} \otimes \mathbf{1}_{N_2}.$$

$S$  and  $A$  are real matrices with  $S$  standing for symmetric while  $A$  antisymmetric for exchange in indices  $\lambda \leftrightarrow \mu$  and  $\alpha \leftrightarrow \beta$

## The ansatz $A B C D$

Nontrivial realizations of the  $R_{\beta\mu}^{\lambda\alpha}$  are given by the following.

**Proposition** Let  $A$  and  $C$  be two commuting real  $N_1 \times N_1$ -matrices with  $A$  symmetric and  $C$  antisymmetric and let  $B$  and  $D$  be two commuting real  $N_2 \times N_2$ -matrices with  $B$  symmetric and  $D$  antisymmetric. Assume that

$$A^2 \otimes B^2 + C^2 \otimes D^2 = \mathbf{1}_{N_1} \otimes \mathbf{1}_{N_2}$$

then the  $R_{\beta\mu}^{\lambda\alpha}$  given by

$$R_{\beta\mu}^{\lambda\alpha} = A_{\mu}^{\lambda} B_{\beta}^{\alpha} + i C_{\mu}^{\lambda} D_{\beta}^{\alpha} \quad (16)$$

satisfy the conditions of the theorem.

## Enter the quaternions

An  $SO(4)$ -invariant decomposition of  $M_4(\mathbb{R})$

$$q = x^0 \mathbf{1} + x^k e_k \in \mathbb{H} \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad x = (x^0, x^1, x^2, x^3) \in \mathbb{R}^4 \quad \text{Euclidean}$$

a right and a left action

$$e_k q \leftrightarrow J_k^{(+)} x, \quad q e_k \leftrightarrow -J_k^{(-)} x$$

$$(J_k^{(\pm)})_{\mu\nu} = \mp (\delta_{0\mu} \delta_{k\nu} - \delta_{0\nu} \delta_{k\mu}) - \varepsilon_{klm} \delta_\mu^\ell \delta_\nu^m$$

$$J_k^{(\pm)} J_\ell^{(\pm)} = -\delta_{k\ell} \mathbf{1} + \sum_m \varepsilon_{klm} J_m^{(\pm)}, \quad J_k^{(+)} J_\ell^{(-)} = J_\ell^{(-)} J_k^{(+)}$$

$$M_4(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{R}^4 \otimes \mathbb{R}^4 = \mathbb{R} \mathbf{1} \oplus \wedge_{(+)}^2 \mathbb{R}^4 \oplus \wedge_{(-)}^2 \mathbb{R}^4 \oplus \mathbb{S}_0^2 \mathbb{R}^4$$

Orthornormal basis  $\mathbf{1}, J_k^{(+)}, J_\ell^{(-)}, J_r^{(+)} J_s^{(-)}$

$(+)$  = antisymmetric self-dual,  $(-)$  = antisymmetric anti-self dual.

## Noncommutative quaternionic planes

Use last theorem for  $N_1 = N_2 = 4$

$$A = \mathbf{1}, \quad B = u^0 \mathbf{1}, \quad C = J_1^{(\pm)}, \quad D = u^1 J_1^{(\pm)} + u^2 J_2^{(\pm)}$$

with  $(u^0)^2 + (u^1)^2 + (u^2)^2 = 1$ . This gives:

$$R_{\beta\mu}^{\lambda\alpha} = u^0 \delta_\mu^\lambda \delta_\beta^\alpha + i (J_1^{(\pm)})_\mu^\lambda (u^1 J_1^{(\pm)} + u^2 J_2^{(\pm)})_{\beta}^\alpha \quad (17)$$

By using the  $J_k^{(\mp)}$  one defines an action of  $\mathbb{H}$ .

The choice of the direction 1 and of the plane (1 2) is immaterial since one can change them into an arbitrary direction  $\vec{n}$  and an arbitrary plane which contains  $\vec{n}$  by a rotation of  $SO_3^{(\pm)}$ .

The exchange  $(+) \leftrightarrow (-)$  is induced for instance by the exchange  $x^0 \leftrightarrow -x^0$  and therefore does not change the algebra  $\mathcal{A}_R$  for  $R$  given by (17).

## Noncommutative quaternionic planes cont.d

The solution given by (17) generalizes  $\mathbb{C}_\theta^2$  for  $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}$ ;

For the  $\theta$ -deformation the parameter is in fact

$$\mathbb{S}^1/\mathbb{S}^0 = U_1(\mathbb{C})/U_1(\mathbb{R}) = P_1(\mathbb{R}).$$

The parameter here

$$\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{S}^2 = \mathbb{S}^3/\mathbb{S}^1 = U_1(\mathbb{H})/U_1(\mathbb{C}) = P_1(\mathbb{C})$$

and for  $u^0 = 1$  ( $\Rightarrow u^1 = u^2 = 0$ ), this gives the classical  $\mathbb{H}^2$ .

## Noncommutative quaternionic tori

The N.C. product of  $\mathbb{H}$  by  $\mathbb{H}$  corresponding to  $\mathcal{A}_R$  is denoted  $\mathbb{H}_{\mathbf{u}}^2$ .

Tori obtained by the quotient by the ideal generated by  $\{\|x_1\|^2 - 1, \|x_2\|^2 - 1\}$ :

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathbb{T}_{\mathbf{u}}^{\mathbb{H}}) = \mathcal{A}(\mathbb{H}_{\mathbf{u}}^2) / \langle \|x_1\|^2 - 1, \|x_2\|^2 - 1 \rangle$$

$$\mathbb{T}_{\mathbf{u}}^{\mathbb{H}} \simeq \mathbb{S}^3 \times_{\mathbf{u}} \mathbb{S}^3$$

an  $SU(2) \times SU(2)$  action

Additional strata: other N.C. products of 4-dim. Euclidean spaces

And higher solutions ?

$$\mathbb{H} \times_{\mathbf{u}} \mathbb{H} \quad \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{S}^2 = P_1(\mathbb{C})$$

$$\mathbb{O} \times_{\mathbf{u}} \mathbb{O} \quad \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{S}^4 = P_1(\mathbb{H})$$

$$\mathbb{S}ed \times_{\mathbf{u}} \mathbb{S}ed \quad \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{S}^8 = P_1(\mathbb{O})$$

## Spherical conditions

A projection  $p \in M_{2^n}(\mathcal{A}(S_R^{2n}))$  ,

$$p = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{1} + \Gamma_a x^a + \Gamma x) \quad \text{tr}(p) = 2^{n-1} = \text{rank}(p)$$

$$\text{ch}_k(p) = 0, \quad 1 \leq k \leq n-1 \quad \text{ch}_n(p) \quad \text{the volume form:}$$

$$b(\text{ch}_n(p)) = 0 \quad \text{ch}_n(p) \in HH_n(\mathcal{A}(S_R^{2n}))$$

$b$  is the Hochschild boundary operator

The ( Bott ) projection  $p$  generates the K-theory of  $\mathcal{A}(S_R^{2n})$

$$\langle p[D, p]^{2n} \rangle = \gamma_{2n+1} \quad \text{the volume form}$$

$D$  a Dirac operator

$$\nabla = p \circ d \quad \text{an anti-self dual connection}$$

with top Chern number

$$\text{nctr}(\langle p[D, p]^{2n} \rangle) = -1$$

## The odd version

A unitary  $U \in M_{2^{n-1}}(\mathcal{A}(S_R^{2n-1}))$ ,

$$U = \mathbf{1}x^0 + \sum_j x^j$$

$$\Gamma_\mu = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \Sigma_\mu \\ \Sigma_\mu & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{ch}_{k-\frac{1}{2}}(U) = 0, \quad 1 \leq k \leq n-1 \quad \text{ch}_{n-\frac{1}{2}}(U) \quad \text{the volume form}$$

Now

$$b(\text{ch}_{n-\frac{1}{2}}(U)) = 0 \quad \text{ch}_{n-\frac{1}{2}}(U) \in HH_{n-\frac{1}{2}}(\mathcal{A}(S_R^{2n-1}))$$

$b$  is the Hochschild boundary operator

## Principal bundles (M. Dubois-Violette, Xiao Han, G.L.)

Consider the two quaternions.

$$x_1 = x_1^\mu e_\mu \quad x_2 = x_2^\alpha e_\alpha$$

with commutation relations governed by a matrix  $R_{\beta\mu}^{\lambda\alpha}$ . When restricting to the sphere  $\mathbb{S}_R^7$ , we get a normalised vector valued function

$$|\psi\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \langle\psi, \psi\rangle = \|x_1\|^2 + \|x_2\|^2 = \mathbf{1}$$

and thus a projection: (  $p = p^* = p^2$  )

$$p = |\psi\rangle \langle\psi| = \begin{pmatrix} x_2 x_2^* & x_2 x_1^* \\ x_1 x_2^* & x_1 x_1^* \end{pmatrix},$$

Define coordinate functions  $Y = Y^0 e_0 + Y^k e_k$  and  $Y^4$  by

$$Y^4 = \|x_2\|^2 - \|x_1\|^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{2}Y = x_2 x_1^*$$

so that

$$p = |\psi\rangle \langle\psi| = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + Y^4 & Y \\ Y^* & 1 - Y^4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The condition  $p^2 = p$  leads to

$$YY^* + (Y^4)^2 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad Y^*Y + (Y^4)^2 = 1$$

$$YY^4 = Y^4Y \quad \text{and} \quad Y^*Y^4 = Y^4Y^*.$$

Thus the coordinate function  $Y^4$  is central while comparing the first two conditions requires  $YY^* = Y^*Y$  and that this is a multiple of the identity. These translates to the following conditions

$$\sum_{\mu=0}^3 (Y^{\mu*}Y^{\mu} - Y^{\mu}Y^{\mu*}) = 0,$$

$$-(Y^{0*}Y^k - Y^{k*}Y^0) + \varepsilon_{kmn}Y^{m*}Y^n = 0 = Y^0Y^{k*} - Y^kY^{0*} + \varepsilon_{kmn}Y^mY^{n*},$$

for  $k, r, m = 1, 2, 3$  and totally antisymmetric tensor  $\varepsilon_{krm}$ .

Then the first condition at top of the page reduces to a four-sphere relation

$$\sum_{\mu=0}^3 Y^{\mu*}Y^{\mu} + (Y^4)^2 = 1 = \sum_{\mu=0}^3 Y^{\mu*}Y^{\mu} + (Y^4)^2 = 1. \quad (18)$$

The elements  $Y^\mu$  generate the  $*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}(\mathbb{S}_R^4)$  of a 4-sphere  $\mathbb{S}_R^4$ . One has

$$Y^{\mu*} = \Lambda^\mu{}_\nu Y^\nu \quad \mu, \nu = 0, 1, 2, 3$$

for  $\Lambda$  a symmetric unitary matrix

For the commutation relations (17) for the  $x$ 's:

$$\begin{pmatrix} Y^{0*} \\ Y^{3*} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u^0 + iu^1 & iu^2 \\ iu^2 & u^0 - iu^1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Y^0 \\ Y^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\begin{pmatrix} Y^{1*} \\ Y^{2*} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u^0 + iu^1 & iu^2 \\ iu^2 & u^0 - iu^1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Y^1 \\ Y^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

The  $2 \times 2$  matrix being symmetric and unitary, can be diagonalized by a real rotation  $S$  and with a further normalization put in the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\theta} \end{pmatrix}, \quad e^{i\theta} = \frac{u^0 + i\sqrt{(u^1)^2 + (u^2)^2}}{u^0 - i\sqrt{(u^1)^2 + (u^2)^2}} = (u^0 + i\sqrt{(u^1)^2 + (u^2)^2})^2.$$

The sphere  $\mathbb{S}_R^4$  is (isomorphic to) a  $\theta$ -deformation.

The algebra inclusion  $\mathcal{A}(\mathbb{S}_R^4) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{A}(\mathbb{S}_R^7)$  is a principal  $SU(2)$  bundle:

A unit quaternion  $w \in \mathbb{H}_1 \simeq SU(2)$  act on  $\mathbb{S}_R^7$  as

$$\alpha_w(|\psi\rangle) = |\psi\rangle w = \begin{pmatrix} x_2 w \\ x_1 w \end{pmatrix}.$$

leaving the projection  $p$  and then the algebra  $\mathcal{A}(\mathbb{S}_R^4)$  invariant.

If  $H = \mathcal{A}(SU(2))$  we have dually a co-action  $\delta$  of  $H$  on  $\mathcal{A}(\mathbb{S}_R^7)$  with algebra of co-invariant element again the subalgebra  $\mathcal{A}(\mathbb{S}_R^4)$ .

Then the canonical map

$$\chi : \mathcal{A}(\mathbb{S}_R^7) \otimes_{\mathcal{A}(\mathbb{S}_R^4)} \mathcal{A}(\mathbb{S}_R^7) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(\mathbb{S}_R^7) \otimes H, \quad \chi(p' \otimes p) = p' \delta(p)$$

is bijective.

Indeed,

$$\chi(\langle \psi | \otimes_{\mathcal{A}(\mathbb{S}_R^4)} |\psi\rangle) = \langle \psi | \delta(|\psi\rangle) = \langle \psi, \psi \rangle \otimes w = \mathbf{1} \otimes w,$$

showing surjectivity of  $\chi$ . This is enough since ... (  $H$  is classical ).

## The next fibration

A similar ( if more involved ) algebra inclusion

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathbb{S}_R^8) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{A}(\mathbb{S}_R^{15})$$

( coming from an octonionic matrix  $R_{\beta\mu}^{\lambda\alpha}$  )

which is a  $\mathbb{S}^7$ -bundle

a 'quasi' group

## Summing up

- noncommutative generalizations of  $\mathbb{R}^{N_1} \times \mathbb{R}^{N_2}$
- noncommutative generalizations of  $\mathbb{S}^{N_1+N_2-1}$
- noncommutative generalizations of  $\mathbb{S}^{N_1-1} \times \mathbb{S}^{N_2-1}$
- a quaternionic noncommutative torus  $\mathbb{S}^3 \times_{\mathbf{u}} \mathbb{S}^3$ ,  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{S}^2 = \mathrm{SU}(2)/\mathrm{U}(1)$
- spherical manifolds : volume forms from top Chern–Connes characters
- Generalized Clifford algebras  $Cl(\mathcal{A}_R)$
- noncommutative principal bundles

thank you