

Conformal Nets and Noncommutative Geometry

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Introduction

Conformal nets = description of (chiral) 2D CFT by means of algebras of bounded operators on Hilbert spaces (**operator algebras: C*-algebras and von Neumann algebras**).

Noncommutative geometry = study of operator algebras from a geometric point of view and of geometry from an operator algebraic point of view → **noncommutative generalization of classical geometry**. Here, in many cases, “**noncommutative**” should be understood in the weaker form “**not necessarily commutative**”

The theory of conformal nets is deeply related with various branches of the theory of operator algebras and in particular with **subfactor theory**.

Until recently, the possible relations between conformal nets and **noncommutative geometry** have not been investigated.

Aim of this talk: illustration of **some of the main ideas** underlying recent results in this direction following the “**noncommutative geometrization program**” for CFT through conformal nets and their representations (**theory of superselection sectors**) → **connections between subfactor theory and noncommutative geometry**.

This program was first proposed in Longo: [CMP 2001](#), in agreement with previous suggestions by Doplicher (1985), and later developed in various directions in

- ▶ Longo, Kawahigashi: [CMP 2005](#)
- ▶ Carpi, Longo, Kawahigashi: [AHP 2008](#)
- ▶ Carpi, Hillier, Longo, Kawahigashi: [CMP 2010](#)
- ▶ Carpi, Conti, Hillier, Weiner: [CMP 2013](#)
- ▶ Carpi, Conti Hillier: [AFA 2013](#)
- ▶ Carpi, Hillier, Longo, Kawahigashi, Xu: [arXiv:1207.2398](#)
- ▶ Carpi, Hillier, Longo: [arXiv:1304.4062](#)
- ▶ Carpi, Weiner: [In preparation](#)

Classical mechanics

Motion of a classical particle on \mathbb{R} : p = momentum, q = position.

Classical phase space: $X = \{(p, q) : p \in \mathbb{R}, q \in \mathbb{R}\}$ = possible **initial data** for the Hamilton equations.

Observables: functions $F : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. They form a **commutative algebra** over \mathbb{R} (with obvious pointwise operations e.g.

$FG(p, q) := F(p, q)G(p, q)$). Special cases: ($t = 0$) momentum $P : (p, q) \mapsto p$ and position $Q : (p, q) \mapsto q$. Its complexification given by functions $F : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a ***-algebra** with *-operation given by complex conjugation $F^*(p, q) = \overline{F(p, q)}$. Observables must be real functions $\leftrightarrow F = F^*$.

States: Probability measures on X . The mean value of the observable F in the state μ is given by $\langle F \rangle_\mu = \int_X F d\mu$.

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Pure states: Dirac measures δ_x , where $x = (p, q)$, on X .

$$\int_X F d\delta_x = F(x).$$

Pure states \leftrightarrow **Optimal knowledge** \leftrightarrow **Uncertainty free** i.e.

$\Delta_\mu F := \sqrt{\langle F^2 \rangle_\mu - \langle F \rangle_\mu^2} = 0$ (**standard deviation = 0**) for all observables F if $\mu = \delta_x$ represents a pure state.

Heisenberg uncertainty relation: For any physical state S the standard deviations $\Delta_S Q$, $\Delta_S P$ of the position and momentum observables obtained by the statistics on experimental data must satisfy

$$\Delta_S Q \Delta_S P \geq \frac{\hbar}{2}, \quad \text{where } \hbar = \frac{\text{Planck constant}}{2\pi} \sim 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s}$$

This is a fact of nature \rightarrow **new physics, new mathematical formalism.**

Solution:

- ▶ Observable \leftrightarrow **selfadjoint operator** $A = A^*$ on a complex Hilbert space \mathcal{H}
- ▶ Pure states \leftrightarrow **unit vector** $\psi \in \mathcal{H}$
- ▶ Mean value $\leftrightarrow \langle A \rangle_\psi = (\psi, A\psi)$
- ▶ Standard deviation $\leftrightarrow \Delta_\psi A := \sqrt{\langle A^2 \rangle_\psi - \langle A \rangle_\psi^2}$.

A, B selfadjoint operators on \mathcal{H} with commutator $[A, B] := AB - BA$, $\psi \in \mathcal{H}$, $\|\psi\| = 1$, then the **Cauhy-Schwarz inequality** \rightarrow

$$\Delta_{\psi} A \Delta_{\psi} B \geq \frac{1}{2} \langle [A, B] \rangle_{\psi}$$

Hence **noncommutativity** \rightarrow **uncertainty relations**.

The Heisenberg uncertainty relation is satisfied for operators Q, P satisfying the canonical commutation relations

$$[Q, P] = i\hbar \mathbf{1} \leftrightarrow \text{“Noncommutative phase space”}$$

There is essentially a unique (up to unitary equivalence) “nice solution” (the **Schrödinger representation**):

$$\mathcal{H} = L^2(\mathbb{R}, dq), \quad (Q\psi)(q) = q\psi(q), \quad (P\psi)(q) = -i\hbar \frac{d}{dq} \psi(q)$$

Here Q, P are **unbounded, densely defined** selfadjoint operators.

Operator algebras

Message from quantum mechanics: $*$ -algebras of operators $A : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ give a noncommutative analogues of the $*$ -algebras of functions $F : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. Real functions $F = F^*$ correspond to selfadjoint operators $A = A^*$.

Simplification: consider only **bounded operators** $A \in B(\mathcal{H})$ e.g. replace the observable Q by a $f(Q)$ with some increasing $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (0, 1)$ (**different labels of the experimental results**).

$B(\mathcal{H})$ is an (associative) $*$ -algebra with identity $\mathbf{1}$. It has various natural topologies, e.g. the **norm topology** and the **strong operator topology**.

A (selfadjoint) **operator algebra** is a $*$ -subalgebra $\mathfrak{A} \subset B(\mathcal{H})$. \mathfrak{A} is said to be **unital** if $\mathbf{1} \in \mathfrak{A}$.

- ▶ \mathfrak{A} is a **C*-algebra** if it is a **closed** subset of $B(\mathcal{H})$ with respect to the **norm topology**.
- ▶ \mathfrak{A} is a **von Neumann algebra** if it is unital and it is a **closed** subset of $B(\mathcal{H})$ with respect to the **strong operator topology**.

We have defined C^* -algebras and von Neumann algebras as represented in a given Hilbert space. In fact they can be characterized as **abstract Banach algebras**. In any case one can consider different Hilbert space **representations** $\pi : \mathfrak{A} \rightarrow B(\mathcal{H}_\pi)$ of a given operator algebra \mathfrak{A} .

Besides the quantum mechanics the formula **operator algebras = noncommutative generalization of function algebras** is strongly supported by the following fundamental result

Theorem (Gelfand-Naimark 1943)

Every commutative unital C^ -algebra \mathfrak{A} is isometrically $*$ -isomorphic to the algebra $C(X)$ of continuous complex valued functions on a compact Hausdorff space X (the spectrum of \mathfrak{A}). Every compact Hausdorff space X arises in this way. \mathfrak{A} is separable if and only if X is metrizable. (For non unital \mathfrak{A} there is a similar result with X locally compact)*

Accordingly: **C^* -algebras \leftrightarrow Noncommutative topology**

Although every von Neumann algebra is a unital C^* -algebra the commutative von Neumann algebras (on a separable Hilbert space) are best described by the following theorem

Theorem

Every commutative von Neumann algebra \mathfrak{A} on a separable Hilbert space \mathcal{H} is isometrically $$ -isomorphic to the algebra $L^\infty(X, \mu)$ for some metrizable compact space X and some regular Borel probability measure μ on X . Every pair (X, μ) with these properties arises in this way.*

Accordingly: von Neumann algebras \leftrightarrow Noncommutative measure (and probability) theory

K-theory

A central example of **noncommutative topology** is K-theory for C^* -algebras (more generally for locally convex algebras).

If X is a compact Hausdorff space the **equivalence classes of complex vector bundles over X** generate an abelian group $K^0(X)$ through the operation $[E] + [F] = [E \oplus F]$.

If \mathfrak{A} is a unital C^* -algebra one can define an abelian group $K_0(\mathfrak{A})$ generated by suitable equivalence classes of projections $M_\infty(\mathfrak{A})$ (**the $*$ -algebra of infinite matrices over \mathfrak{A} with finitely many nonzero entries**) and a natural operation $+$.

If \mathfrak{A} is commutative and X is the spectrum of \mathfrak{A} then $K_0(\mathfrak{A}) = K^0(X)$

Remark: one can consider K-theory also for algebras \mathfrak{A} that are not C^* -algebras but that are **locally convex algebras**, e.g. $\mathfrak{A} = C^\infty(X)$ with X **smooth compact manifold**.

K-theory plays a very important role in the theory operator algebras e.g. in the **classification of C^* -algebras** and in **noncommutative geometry**.

Noncommutative geometry

Spectral triples: $(\mathfrak{A}, \mathcal{H}, D)$ also called **K-cycles**.

- ▶ \mathfrak{A} unital $*$ -algebra on \mathcal{H}
- ▶ D selfadjoint operator on \mathcal{H} with compact resolvent, with domain $\text{dom}(D) \subset \mathcal{H}$ (the **Dirac operator**) such that, $[A, D]$ is defined and bounded on $\text{dom}(D)$.

The spectral triple is said to be **even** if there is selfadjoint operator Γ (**grading operator**) such that $\Gamma^2 = 1$, $\Gamma D \Gamma = -D$ and $[\Gamma, \mathfrak{A}] = \{0\}$.

The spectral triple is said to be **θ -summable** if $\text{Tr}(e^{-\beta D^2}) < +\infty$ for all $\beta > 0$.

Remark: In general \mathfrak{A} is **not** a C^* -algebra.

Remark: It will be important to consider families of spectral triples over the same algebra \mathfrak{A} by representing the latter in different Hilbert space. To emphasis this fact we will sometime use the notation $(\mathfrak{A}, (\pi, \mathcal{H}), D)$ for a spectral triple, where π is a **representation of \mathfrak{A} on \mathcal{H}** .

Commutative example: Let $S^1 = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| = 1\}$ ($z \in S^1 \leftrightarrow z = e^{i\theta}$, $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$)

- ▶ $\mathcal{H} = L^2(S^1)$ (with normalized Lebesgue measure $\frac{d\theta}{2\pi}$)
- ▶ $\mathfrak{A} = C^\infty(S^1)$ (acting on L^2 functions by pointwise multiplication); it is a **locally covex algebra**
- ▶ $D = -i \frac{d}{d\theta}$

Theorem (Connes 2013)

Let $(\mathfrak{A}, \mathcal{H}, D)$ be a spectral triple with \mathfrak{A} commutative + other conditions. Then $\mathfrak{A} = C^\infty(X)$ for some compact oriented smooth manifold X . Moreover, every compact oriented smooth manifold X appears in this way.

Accordingly: **Spectral triples** \leftrightarrow **Noncommutative differential geometry**.

Entire cyclic cohomology

The entire cyclic cohomology of a **locally convex algebra** \mathfrak{A} is a cohomology defined by certain **sequences** $\phi = (\phi_n)$ of **multilinear forms on \mathfrak{A} entire cochains**).

- ▶ $CE^e(\mathfrak{A}) \equiv$ even entire cochains $\phi = (\phi_{2n})$
- ▶ $CE^o(\mathfrak{A}) \equiv$ odd entire cochains $\phi = (\phi_{2n+1})$
- ▶ $\partial : CE^e(\mathfrak{A}) \rightarrow CE^o(\mathfrak{A}), \partial : CE^o(\mathfrak{A}) \rightarrow CE^e(\mathfrak{A}) \equiv$ boundary operator
- ▶ $(HE^e(\mathfrak{A}), HE^o(\mathfrak{A})) \equiv$ entire cyclic cohomology \equiv **equivalence classes of cocycles** ($\partial\phi = 0$)

Given an even cocycle $\phi \in CE^e(\mathfrak{A}) \cap \ker(\partial)$ and an idempotent $e \in M_\infty(\mathfrak{A})$ one can define a complex number $\phi(e) \in \mathbb{C}$ which turns out to depend only on the cohomology class of ϕ in $HE^e(\mathfrak{A})$ and on the K-class of e in $K_0(\mathfrak{A})$ (**pairing with K-theory**).

JLO cocycle and index pairing

- ▶ JLO \equiv Jaffe, Lesniewski, Osterwalder
- ▶ $\mathfrak{A} \equiv$ locally convex algebra
- ▶ $(\mathfrak{A}, (\pi, \mathcal{H}), D) \equiv$ even θ -summable spectral triple such that $A \mapsto \pi(A)$, $A \mapsto [D, \pi(A)]$ are continuous maps $: \mathfrak{A} \rightarrow B(\mathcal{H})$.
- ▶ $(\mathfrak{A}, (\pi, \mathcal{H}), D) \mapsto \tau$. $\tau \in CE^e(\mathfrak{A}) \cap \ker(\partial)$ even cocycle. (the JLO cocycle).
- ▶ $\tau(e) \in \mathbb{Z}$ for all idempotents in $M_\infty(\mathfrak{A}) = \cup_{r \in \mathfrak{N}} M_r(\mathfrak{A})$ (index pairing).
- ▶ $e \in \mathfrak{A}$ idempotent $\mathcal{H}_\pm := \ker(\Gamma \mp \mathbf{1})$ then

$$\tau(e) = \dim \ker ((\pi(e)D\pi(e))|_{\pi(e)\mathcal{H}_+}) - \dim \ker ((\pi(e)^*D\pi(e)^*)|_{\pi(e)\mathcal{H}_-})$$

Fredholm index. A similar formula holds for idempotents in M_r , $r \in \mathbb{N}$.

Classical field theory

From now on $\hbar = 1$ and **speed of light** = 1.

- ▶ $\mathbb{M}_s \equiv s$ -dimensional Minkowski spacetime ($s = 1 + d$) with points $x = (t, \mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{M}_s$
- ▶ $\Phi(x) \equiv$ field strength at the spacetime point x . $\Phi(x)$ is an observable hence a **functional** : $X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $X =$ **phase space** = $\{(\varphi, \pi)\}$ = **initial data**. This means that $x \mapsto \Phi(x)[(\varphi, \pi)]$ is the solution of the wave equation with initial data $\Phi(0, \mathbf{x})[(\varphi, \pi)] = \varphi(\mathbf{x})$, $\partial_t \Phi(0, \mathbf{x})[(\varphi, \pi)] = \pi(\mathbf{x})$.
- ▶ Infinitely many degrees of freedom \Rightarrow the **phase space** X is an **infinite-dimensional manifold**.
- ▶ The field $\Phi(x)$ at **different spacetime points** correspond to **different observables** which are **measurable within different spacetime regions**.
- ▶ Other observables are given by **smearred fields** $\Phi(f) := \int_{\mathbb{M}_s} \Phi(x) f(x) dx$, $f \in C^\infty(\mathbb{M}_s)$.
- ▶ If **supp** $f \subset \mathcal{O} \subset \mathbb{M}_s$ then $\Phi(f)$ is **measurable within the spacetime region** \mathcal{O} .
- ▶ Instead of \mathbb{M}_s one can consider a **curved spacetime** \mathcal{M} .

Quantum field theory

- ▶ $x \mapsto \Phi(x)$ cannot be an operator valued function. In fact it gives an **operator valued distribution** (Wightman field) $f \mapsto \Phi(f)$, $f \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{M}_s)$. Typically the **smearred field** $\Phi(f)$ is an **unbounded operator**.
- ▶ As in the case of finitely many degrees of freedom we can **restrict to bounded functions of $\Phi(f)$** .
- ▶ $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{O}) \equiv$ von Neumann algebra generated by the **bounded functions of the operators $\Phi(f)$** with $\text{supp} f \subset \mathcal{O}$, $\mathcal{O} \subset \mathbb{M}_s$ open bounded spacetime region \equiv **algebra generated by observables measurable within \mathcal{O}** .
- ▶ $\mathcal{O} \mapsto \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{O}) \equiv$ net of operator algebras (**Haag-Kastler net**) \Rightarrow **algebraic quantum field theory**: Haag + Araki, Kastler, Schroer
- ▶ **Locality**: $[\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{O}_1), \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{O}_2)] = \{0\}$ if \mathcal{O}_1 is spacelike separated from \mathcal{O}_2 .

Conformal nets on S^1

- ▶ **Two-dimensional CFT** \equiv quantum field theories on \mathbb{M}_2 with scaling invariance \Rightarrow certain relevant fields called (the **chiral fields**) depend only on $x - t$ (**right-moving fields**) or on $x + t$ (**left-moving fields**).
- ▶ **Chiral CFT** \equiv CFT generated by left-moving (or right-moving) fields only. Chiral CFTs can be considered as **QFTs on \mathbb{R}** and by conformal symmetry on its **compactification S^1** . Hence we can consider quantum fields on the unit circle $\Phi(z)$, $z \in S^1$ and the corresponding smeared fields $\Phi(f)$, $f \in C^\infty(S^1)$.
- ▶ The smeared fields $\Phi(f)$ generate **conformal nets** of von Neumann algebras on S^1 $\mathcal{A} : I \mapsto \mathcal{A}(I)$, $I \in \mathcal{I}$ ($\mathcal{I} \equiv$ **family of open nonempty nondense intervals of S^1**), acting on a **separable Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{A}}$** (the **vacuum Hilbert space**).
- ▶ Conformal nets on S^1 can be defined axiomatically.

Axioms of conformal nets on S^1

- ▶ **A. Isotony.** $I_1 \subset I_2 \Rightarrow \mathcal{A}(I_1) \subset \mathcal{A}(I_2)$
- ▶ **B. Locality.** $I_1 \cap I_2 = \emptyset \Rightarrow [\mathcal{A}(I_1), \mathcal{A}(I_2)] = \{0\}$
- ▶ **C. Conformal covariance.** There exists a projective unitary rep. U of $\text{Diff}(S^1)$ on $\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{A}}$ such that

$$U(\gamma)\mathcal{A}(I)U(\gamma)^* = \mathcal{A}(\gamma I)$$

and

$$(\gamma(z) = z \text{ for all } z \in S^1 \setminus I) \Rightarrow U(\gamma) \in \mathcal{A}(I).$$

- ▶ **D. Positivity of the energy.** U is a positive energy representation, i.e. the self-adjoint generator L_0 of the rotation subgroup of U (**conformal Hamiltonian**) has nonnegative spectrum.
- ▶ **E. Vacuum.** $\text{Ker}(L_0) = \mathbb{C}\Omega$, where Ω (the **vacuum vector**) is a unit vector in $\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{A}}$.
- ▶ **F. Irreducibility.** $\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{A}}$ and $\{0\}$ are the only closed subspaces invariant for the action of all the algebras $\mathcal{A}(I)$.

Virasoro algebra

- ▶ The projective unitary representation U of $\text{Diff}(S^1)$ gives rise to a representation on (a dense subspace) of $\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{A}}$ of the Virasoro algebra

$$[L_n, L_m] = (n - m)L_{n+m} + \frac{c}{12}(n^3 - n)\delta_{-n,m}\mathbf{1} \quad n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$$

with **central charge** c .

- ▶ The **Virasoro field** $L(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} L_n z^{-n-2}$ is the **chiral energy-momentum tensor** of the theory.
- ▶ If the representation of the Virasoro algebra on $\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{A}}$ is (topologically) irreducible then the net \mathcal{A} is generated by the field $L(z)$ and is called the **Virasoro net with central charge** c

Representations of conformal nets

- ▶ A **representation** of a conformal net \mathcal{A} on S^1 is a **family** $\pi = \{\pi_I : I \in \mathcal{I}\}$ of representations π_I of $\mathcal{A}(I)$ on a common Hilbert space \mathcal{H}_π such that $I_1 \subset I_2 \Rightarrow \pi_{I_2|_{\mathcal{A}(I_1)}} = \pi_{I_1}$.
- ▶ The **equivalence class** $[\pi]$ of an **irreducible** representation on a separable \mathcal{H}_π is called a **sector** of the conformal net \mathcal{A} .
- ▶ The **identical representation** π_0 of \mathcal{A} on the vacuum Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{A}}$ is called the **vacuum representation** and the corresponding sector $[\pi_0]$ the **vacuum sector**.
- ▶ π is said to be **localized** in a given interval I_0 if $\mathcal{H}_\pi = \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{A}}$ and $\pi_{I_1}(x) = x$ whenever $I_1 \cap I_0 = \emptyset$ and $x \in \mathcal{A}(I_1)$. Then it follows that $\pi_I(\mathcal{A}(I)) \subset \mathcal{A}(I)$ for all I containing I_0 , namely π_I is an **endomorphism** of $\mathcal{A}(I)$ for all $I \supset I_0$.

Universal algebras and DHR endomorphisms

The **universal C*-algebra** of \mathcal{A} (**Fredenhagen**) can be defined as the unique (up to isomorphism) unital C*-algebra $C^*(\mathcal{A})$ such that

- ▶ there are unital embeddings $\iota_I : \mathcal{A}(I) \rightarrow C^*(\mathcal{A})$, $I \in \mathcal{I}$ such that $\iota_{I_2}|_{\mathcal{A}(I_1)} = \iota_{I_1}$ if $I_1 \subset I_2$, and all $\iota_I(\mathcal{A}(I)) \subset C^*(\mathcal{A})$ together generate $C^*(\mathcal{A})$ as a C*-algebra;
- ▶ for every representation π of \mathcal{A} on \mathcal{H}_π , there is a unique strongly continuous representation (denoted by the same symbol) $\pi : C^*(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow B(\mathcal{H}_\pi)$ such that $\pi_I = \pi \circ \iota_I$, $I \in \mathcal{I}$.

The **universal von Neumann algebra** of \mathcal{A} is the so called **enveloping von Neumann algebra of $C^*(\mathcal{A})$** . It can be defined as the unique (up to isomorphism) unital von Neumann algebra $W^*(\mathcal{A})$ such that

- ▶ $C^*(\mathcal{A})$ embeds in $W^*(\mathcal{A})$ as a strongly dense subalgebra.
- ▶ For every representation π of $C^*(\mathcal{A})$ on \mathcal{H}_π , there is a unique representation (denoted by the same symbol) $\pi : W^*(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow B(\mathcal{H}_\pi)$ extending π and which is continuous when $W^*(\mathcal{A})$ and $B(\mathcal{H}_\pi)$ are endowed with the strong operator topology.

We will sometime identify $\iota_I(\mathcal{A}(I))$ with $\mathcal{A}(I)$ so that the latter will be considered as a subalgebra of $C^*(\mathcal{A})$ and hence of $W^*(\mathcal{A})$.

There is a **canonical** correspondence between localized representations of a conformal net \mathcal{A} and **DHR (localized and transportable) endomorphisms** of $C^*(\mathcal{A})$. If π is a representation of \mathcal{A} localized in $I \in \mathcal{I}$ then the corresponding DHR endomorphism ρ satisfies

$$\pi = \pi_0 \circ \rho$$

The DHR endomorphism corresponding to π_0 is the identical endomorphism ι .

DHR \equiv Doplicher, Haag and Roberts.

The geometrization program

- ▶ Consider the algebras associated to a conformal net \mathcal{A} ($\mathcal{A}(I)$, $I \in \mathcal{I}$; $C^*(\mathcal{A})$; $W^*(\mathcal{A}) \dots$) as **algebras of functions on an infinite-dimensional manifold** (the phase space of the theory)
- ▶ Use the **representation theory of \mathcal{A}** to define **θ -summable spectral triples** on appropriate smooth/differentiable subalgebras.
- ▶ Consider the corresponding JLO cocycle as noncommutative geometric invariants associated to interesting families of representations and find examples where one can prove, using the index pairing with K-theory, that different representations of the net give rise to different entire cohomology classes.
- ▶ **Strategy**: use supersymmetric extensions of the conformal symmetry: $N = 1$ or $N = 2$ **super-Virasoro algebras**
- ▶ **Related noncommutative topological investigations**: study the action of DHR endomorphism on suitable algebras associated with \mathcal{A} and investigate on the possibility to get interesting actions on the corresponding K-theory. Analyze possible KK-theoretical interpretations.

Few more details

Let \mathcal{A} be a conformal net admitting, in an appropriate sense, a **supersymmetric extension of the conformal symmetry**. Then, in various cases one can prove that the net admit special representations π (that I will call here **minimally reducible Ramond type representations**) with the following properties:

- ▶ \mathcal{H}_π is graded by a **selfadjoint unitary** Γ_π commuting with $\pi(W^*(\mathcal{A}))$
- ▶ There is a selfadjoint operator Q_π (the **supercharge operator**) anti-commuting with Γ_π and such that $Q_\pi^2 = L_0^\pi - \frac{c}{24}\mathbf{1}$, where L_0^π is the conformal Hamiltonian for the (covariant) representation π .
- ▶ $\text{Tr}(e^{-\beta L_0^\pi}) < +\infty$ for all $\beta > 0$.
- ▶ The **subrepresentations** π_\pm of $W^*(\mathcal{A})$ on $\mathcal{H}_{\pi,\pm} := \ker(\Gamma_\pi \mp \mathbf{1})$ are **irreducible** and **mutually inequivalent**.

Remark. These representations arise from soliton representations of a graded-local superconformal extension $\mathcal{F} \supset \mathcal{A}$.

We considered **two strategies**.

Strategy 1.

- ▶ $\Delta_R \equiv$ family mutually inequivalent minimally reducible Ramond type representations.
- ▶ $\mathfrak{A}_{\Delta_R} \equiv \{A \in W^*(\mathcal{A}) : [Q_\pi, \pi(A)] \text{ bounded on } \text{dom}(Q_\pi) \forall \pi \in \Delta_R\}$
- ▶ Natural **locally convex topology** on \mathfrak{A}_{Δ_R} .
- ▶ $(\mathfrak{A}_{\Delta_R}, (\pi, \mathcal{H}_\pi), Q_\pi)$ θ -summable even spectral triple with the right continuity properties for all $\pi \in \Delta_R \Rightarrow$ **JLO cocycle** τ_π for all $\pi \in \Delta_R$.
- ▶ The **cohomology classes** of the cocycles τ_π are **separated by suitable projections** in \mathfrak{A}_{Δ_R} .

This strategy has been undertaken **successfully** in **Carpi, Hillier, Longo, Kawahigashi, Xu: arXiv:1207.2398** in the case of (the Bose part of) **$N = 2$ super-Virasoro nets**. In particular, for these models, the algebras \mathfrak{A}_{Δ_R} have **nontrivial K_0 group**.

Strategy 2.

- ▶ Consider a fixed minimally reducible Ramond type representations π and consider a family Δ of DHR endomorphisms of $C^*(\mathcal{A})$, possibly satisfying suitable “differentiability” conditions .
- ▶ $\mathfrak{A}_\Delta \equiv \{A \in W^*(\mathcal{A}) : [Q_\pi, \pi \circ \rho(A)] \text{ bounded on } \text{dom}(Q_\pi) \forall \rho \in \Delta\}$
- ▶ Natural locally convex topology on \mathfrak{A}_Δ .
- ▶ $(\mathfrak{A}_\Delta, (\pi \circ \rho, \mathcal{H}_\pi), Q_\pi)$ θ -summable even spectral triple with the right continuity properties for all $\rho \in \Delta \Rightarrow$ JLO cocycle τ_ρ for all $\rho \in \Delta$.
- ▶ The cohomology classes of the cocycles τ_ρ are separated by suitable projections in \mathfrak{A}_Δ .

This strategy has been undertaken successfully in Carpi, Hillier, Longo: [arXiv:1304.4062](https://arxiv.org/abs/1304.4062) in the case of (the Bose part of) $N = 1$ super-Virasoro nets and supersymmetric loop group models. In particular, for these models, the algebras \mathfrak{A}_Δ have nontrivial K_0 group.

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