# Isometric coactions of compact quantum groups on compact quantum metric spaces

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# Compact Quantum Groups

## Definition (CQG - Woronowicz)

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- A is a unital C\*-algebra
- the 'comultiplication'  $\Delta:A\to A\otimes A$  is a \*-homomorphism

#### such that

- $\Delta$  is 'coassociative':  $(\iota \otimes \Delta) \ \Delta = (\Delta \otimes \iota) \ \Delta$
- the sets  $\Delta(A)(1 \otimes A)$  and  $\Delta(A)(A \otimes 1)$  are dense in  $A \otimes A$ .

A classical compact group (G,\*) is a CQG too: take the unital (commutative) C\*-algebra C(G), and define the comultiplication

$$\Delta: C(G) \to C(G) \otimes C(G) \cong C(G \times G)$$

$$f \mapsto (G \times G \to \mathbb{C}: (g, h) \mapsto f(g * h)).$$

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- $\bullet$   $L_d$  is a seminorm
- $L_d(f) = L_d(\bar{f})$
- $L_d(f) = 0 \Leftrightarrow f$  is a constant function

# From $L_d$ to d

Define a metric  $\rho_{L_d}$  on the state space  $\mathcal{S}(C(X))$ :

$$\rho_{L_d}(\mu,\nu)=\sup\{|\mu(f)-\nu(f)|\;|L_d(f)\leq 1\}.$$

On the extreme states  $\mu_X : C(G) \to \mathbb{C} : f \mapsto f(x)$  for  $x \in X$ , this metric coincides with the metric d:

$$\rho_{L_d}(\mu_x, \mu_y) = \sup\{|f(x) - f(y)| |L_d(f) \le 1\} = d(x, y)$$

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$$\rho_L(\mu, \nu) = \sup\{|\mu(b) - \nu(b)| | b \in B, L(b) \le 1\}$$

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A spectral triple  $(A, \mathcal{H}, D)$  is a \*-algebra A in  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , where  $\mathcal{H}$  is a Hilbertspace, and a Diracoperator D on  $\mathcal{H}$ .

The closure of A can become a CQMS with L(a) = ||[D, a]||.

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If *B* has the structure of a CQMS, when will we call such a coaction 'isometric'?

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We want to investigate this in the context of Rieffels definition of a CQMS.

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Different notation:  $L((\iota \otimes \omega_g)\alpha(b)) = L(b)$  where  $\omega_g$  is the state on C(G) evaluating in g:

$$\omega_{\mathsf{g}}: \mathsf{C}(\mathsf{G}) \to \mathbb{C}: \mathsf{f} \mapsto \mathsf{f}(\mathsf{g}).$$



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# Comparison with existing definitions

#### Theorem

Let (X, d) be a finite metric space with n points and  $(A, \Delta)$  a CQG working on X by the coaction  $\alpha: C(X) \to C(X) \otimes A$ .

Take elements  $a_{ij}$  in A such that  $\alpha(\delta_i) = \sum_{j=1}^n \delta_j \otimes a_{ji}$  where  $\delta_j$  is 1 on the j-th point of X and 0 elsewhere. Write

• 
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Then

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if and only if

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The colorcomponent  $d_{\gamma}$  of a distance  $\gamma$  is the matrix which has a 1 on position (i,j) if  $d(i,j)=\alpha$  and 0 elsewhere.

Then  $d = \sum \alpha d_{\gamma}$ .

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We can take a state  $\omega$  on A such that  $\omega(a_{ij}a_{kl}a_{ij}) \neq 0$ .

Then also  $\omega(a_{ij}) \neq 0$ .

Define a new state on A:

$$\omega_{ij}:A o\mathbb{C}:x\mapsto rac{\omega(a_{ij}xa_{ij})}{\omega(a_{ij})}$$

Then we have a state  $\omega_{ij}$  such that  $\omega_{ij}(a_{ij})=1$  and  $\omega_{ij}(a_{kl})\neq 0$ 

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To get a contradiction, it is sufficient to prove the following lemma:

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We can prove this lemma by induction on the distances  $\gamma$ , starting with the smallest distance  $\gamma=0$  and using the given inequality from the Lipschitznorm.

$$a \cdot d = d \cdot a \Rightarrow L_d((\iota \otimes \omega)\alpha(b)) \leq L_d(b)$$

Fix a state  $\omega$  on A and points  $x, y \in X$ .

Sufficient to prove: there are positive numbers  $\lambda_{ij}$  such that

$$\begin{cases} \sum_{j} \lambda_{ij} = \omega(a_{xi}) \\ \sum_{i} \lambda_{ij} = \omega(a_{yj}) \\ \lambda_{ij} = 0 \text{ if } d(i,j) \neq d(x,y). \end{cases}$$

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$$= \frac{\left|\sum_{i} f(i)\left(\sum_{j} \lambda_{ij} - \sum_{i} \lambda_{ij}\right)\right|}{d(x,y)} = \frac{\left|\sum_{ij} \lambda_{ij}(f(i) - f(j))\right|}{d(x,y)}$$

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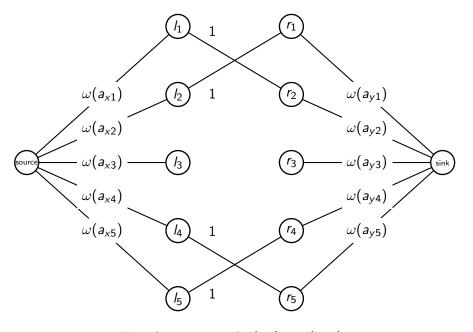
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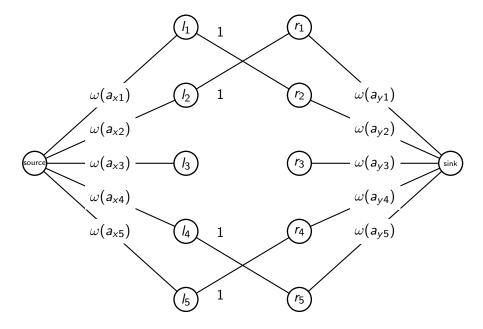
For every subset  $Z \subseteq X$ , and every  $x, y \in X$ , we have

$$\sum_{i\in Z} a_{xi} \cdot \sum_{\substack{j\\\exists i\in Z: d(i,j)=d(x,y)}} a_{yj} = \sum_{i\in Z} a_{xi},$$

so 
$$\sum_{i \in Z} a_{xi} \le \sum_{\substack{j \ \exists i \in Z: d(i,j) = d(x,y)}} a_{yj}$$

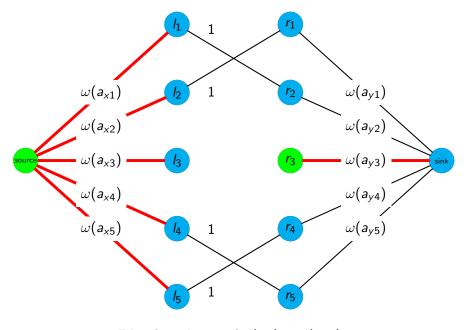


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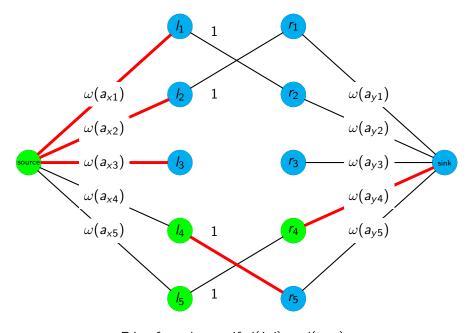


The minimal capacity of a cut is equal to the maximal flow

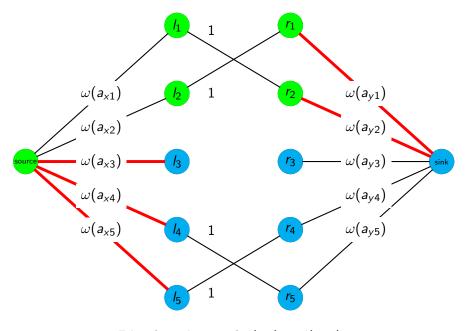




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We call a \*-representation  $\pi: A \to \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  on a Hilbertspace  $\mathcal{H}$  admissible if

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#### Theorem

Let  $(A, \Delta)$  be a CQG, working on a CQMS (B, L) by a coaction

 $\alpha: B \to B \otimes A$ . Then there exists a coideal  $\mathcal{I}$  in A such that

 $\bar{\alpha}: B \to B \otimes A/\mathcal{I}$  is isometric.

We call a \*-representation  $\pi: A \to \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  on a Hilbertspace  $\mathcal{H}$  admissible if

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The coideal  $\mathcal{I}$  of the theorem is given by

$$\mathcal{I} = \{ a \in A \mid \pi(a) = 0, \ \forall \pi \in \Pi \}$$