

# Cocycles on free quantum groups

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# Cocycles

**Discrete quantum group**  $\Gamma$ : given by a full Woronowicz  $C^*$ -algebra  $(C^*(\Gamma), \Delta)$ . Example:  $\Delta(g) = g \otimes g$  on  $C^*(\Gamma)$ ,  $\Gamma$  usual discrete group.

- unitary repr: unital  $*$ -hom  $\pi : C^*(\Gamma) \rightarrow B(H)$
- regular repr: GNS  $(\ell^2(\Gamma), \xi_0, \lambda)$  of Haar state  $h$
- reduced  $C^*$ -algebra:  $C_{\text{red}}^*(\Gamma) = \lambda(C^*(\Gamma))$
- trivial repr: co-unit  $\epsilon : C^*(\Gamma) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$
- dense Hopf algebra:  $\mathbb{C}[\Gamma] \subset C^*(\Gamma)$  with antipode  $S$

There is a dual Hopf  $C^*$ -algebra  $C_0(\Gamma)$  with duality described by a multiplicative unitary  $V \in M(C_0(\Gamma) \otimes C_{\text{red}}^*(\Gamma))$ .

## Definition

A  $\pi$ -cocycle on  $\Gamma$  is a derivation  $c : \mathbb{C}[\Gamma] \rightarrow {}_{\pi}H_{\epsilon}$ , i.e. a linear map such that  $c(xy) = \pi(x)c(y) + c(x)\epsilon(y)$ . It is *trivial* if there is a *fixed vector*  $\xi \in H$ , such that  $c(x) = \pi(x)\xi - \xi\epsilon(x)$ .

## Connection with quantum Dirichlet forms

“Generating functional”:  $\psi \in \mathbb{C}[\Gamma]^*$  such that

$$\psi(1) = 0, \psi(x^*) = \overline{\psi(x)} \text{ and } \psi(x^*x) \leq 0 \text{ for } x \in \text{Ker } \epsilon.$$

- convolution semigroup of states, quantum Levy process, ..., and also:
- Dirichlet form  $\mathcal{E}$  under a symmetry condition [Cipriani-Franz-Kula].

In the tracial case:  $\mathcal{E}(x\xi_0) = h(x^*(\psi * x))$ .

### Proposition (V.)

Assume  $c : \mathbb{C}[\Gamma] \rightarrow H$  to be real, i.e.

$$(c(x)|c(y)) \in \mathbb{R} \text{ as soon as } x = S(x)^* \text{ and } y = S(y)^*.$$

Then:  $\psi : x \mapsto (c(S(x_{(1)}))^*|c(x_{(2)}))$  is a generating functional,

$$\psi(x^*y) = -2(c(x)|c(y)) \text{ for all } x, y \in \text{Ker } \epsilon,$$

$$\psi \text{ is symmetric: } \psi \circ S = \psi.$$

Note : if  $h$  is tracial, reality is not needed to get a generating functional.  
In the classical case, it is not needed either for symmetry.

## Analytical properties

Cocycle  $c \rightarrow$  “function”  $C = (\text{id} \otimes c)(V)$ , unbdd multiplier of  $C_0(\Gamma) \otimes H$ .  
 We have  $C_0(\Gamma) \simeq \bigoplus_{\alpha} B(H_{\alpha}) \rightarrow C = (C_{\alpha})_{\alpha} \in \prod B(H_{\alpha}, H_{\alpha} \otimes H)$ .

Say that  $c$  is *bounded* if  $(\|C_{\alpha}\|)_{\alpha}$  is bounded,  
 (metrically) *proper* if  $\|(C_{\alpha}^* C_{\alpha})^{-1}\| \rightarrow_{\alpha} 0$ .

Lemma [V. 2012]: A cocycle  $c$  is bounded *iff* it is trivial.

### Theorem (Kyed 2011)

$\Gamma$  has Property (T) [Fima 2010] *iff* every cocycle in a unitary repr. is trivial.

### Theorem (DFSW)

$\Gamma$  admits a metrically proper real cocycle *iff* it has Haagerup's approximation property, i.e. there exists a net of states  $\varphi_k \in C^*(\Gamma)_+^*$  s.t.  
 $\varphi_k \xrightarrow{w^*} \epsilon$  and  $\forall k (\text{id} \otimes \varphi_k)(V_{\text{full}}) \in C_0(\Gamma)$ .

## Free quantum groups

The *orthogonal free quantum groups*  $\mathbb{F}O_n$  [Wang 1995] are given by

$$C^*(\mathbb{F}O_n) = A_o(n) = \langle u_{ij}, 1 \leq i, j \leq n \mid u_{ij} = u_{ij}^*, (u_{ij}) \text{ unitary} \rangle$$

with  $\Delta(u_{ij}) = \sum u_{ik} \otimes u_{kj}$ . For  $n \geq 3$ , the quantum group  $\mathbb{F}O_n$  is non amenable [Banica 1996], exact,  $C^*$ -simple [Vaes-Vergnioux 2007], ...

### Theorem (Brannan 2012)

$\mathbb{F}O_n$  satisfies Haagerup's approximation property.

Proof : explicit net of states  $\varphi_k$  (in fact associated multipliers) arising from the "central subalgebra" generated by  $\chi = \sum u_{ij}$ .

**Question** : What can be said about proper cocycles on  $\mathbb{F}O_n$ ?  
In which representations do they live?

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## A classical path cocycle

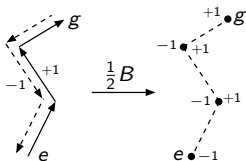
Consider the Cayley graph of the classical free group  $\Gamma = F_n = \langle S \rangle$ :

- $X^{(0)} = \Gamma$ ,  $X^{(1)} = \Gamma \times S$ ,
- $s(g, h) = g$ ,  $t(g, h) = gh$ ,  $\theta(g, h) = (gh, h^{-1})$ .

Put  $p(g) = \sum (\text{edges along path } e \rightarrow g) - (\text{reversed edges})$ .

Fact.  $p : \Gamma \rightarrow \ell^2(\Gamma) \otimes \ell^2(S)$  is a proper cocycle  $\rightarrow$  Haagerup's property.

Other fact.  $p$  is a lift of the trivial cocycle  $c_0(g) = g - e$  through the boundary map  $B(g \otimes h) = gh - g \rightarrow$  every cocycle "factors" through  $p$ .





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$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 c_0 \circlearrowleft \Gamma & \xrightarrow{c} & H \\
 \searrow \frac{1}{2}B & & \nearrow m_c: x \otimes y \mapsto \pi(x)c(y) \\
 & p & \\
 & \ell^2(\Gamma \times S) & 
 \end{array}$$

## The quantum case

Denote  $\ell^2(\mathbb{S}) = \text{Span}\{u_{ij}\} \subset \ell^2(\Gamma) = \ell^2(\mathbb{F}O_n)$ . Quantum Cayley graph:

- $\ell^2(\mathbb{X}^{(0)}) = \ell^2(\Gamma)$ ,  $\ell^2(\mathbb{X}^{(1)}) = \ell^2(\Gamma) \otimes \ell^2(\mathbb{S})$ ,
- $S(x \otimes y) = x\epsilon(y)$ ,  $T(x \otimes y) = xy$ ,  $\Theta(x \otimes y) = xy_{(1)} \otimes S(y_{(2)})$ .

Put  $B = T - S$ ,  $\ell^2_{\wedge}(\mathbb{X}^{(1)}) = \text{Ker}(\Theta + \text{id})$ .

Path cocycle :  $p : \mathbb{C}[\Gamma] \rightarrow \ell^2_{\wedge}(\mathbb{X}^{(1)})$  such that  $B \circ p = c_0$ .

### Theorem (V. 2012)

*For  $\Gamma = \mathbb{F}O_n$ ,  $n \geq 3$ , the operator  $B : \ell^2_{\wedge}(\mathbb{X}^{(1)}) \rightarrow \ell^2(\mathbb{X}^{(0)})$  is invertible. There exists a unique path cocycle, and it is bounded.*

### Theorem (V. 2012)

*For  $\Gamma = \mathbb{F}U_n$ ,  $n \geq 3$ , there exists a unique path cocycle in a suitable dense subspace of  $\ell^2_{\wedge}(\mathbb{X}^{(1)})$ . It is unbounded but not proper.*

# Applications

Recall the classical case: every cocycle factors through the path cocycle.

## Theorem (V. 2012)

For  $\Gamma = \mathbb{F}O_n$ ,  $n \geq 3$ , every  $\lambda$ -cocycle  $c : \mathbb{C}[\Gamma] \rightarrow \ell^2(\Gamma)^k$  is trivial.

Proof. In the quantum case, the values of the path cocycle  $p$  do not have finite support  $\rightarrow$  one needs an analytical version of the “factorization trick” above, which only works for  $\ell^2$ -cocycles, and Property RD.

Applications:

- $\forall k \beta_k^{(2)}(\mathbb{F}O_n) = 0$  [Collins-Härtel-Thom]
- $\delta^*(\mathbb{C}[\mathbb{F}O_n], h) = 1$  by [Connes-Shlyakhtenko]  
 $\delta(\mathbb{C}[\mathbb{F}O_n], h) = 1$  if  $C_{\text{red}}^*(\mathbb{F}O_n)''$  is  $R^\omega$ -embeddable

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# A Deformation of $C_{\text{red}}^*(\mathbb{F}O_n)$ [Fima-V.]

## Action of $O_n$

By definition there is a surjective map

$$\pi : C^*(\mathbb{F}O_n) = C(O_n^+) \rightarrow C(O_n).$$

By Fell's absorption principle, the coproduct  $\Delta$  factors to

$$\Delta' : C_{\text{red}}^*(\mathbb{F}O_n) \rightarrow C^*(\mathbb{F}O_n) \otimes C_{\text{red}}^*(\mathbb{F}O_n).$$

We get an action of  $O_n$  on  $C_{\text{red}}^*(\mathbb{F}O_n)$  by automorphisms :

$$\alpha_g = ((ev_g \circ \pi) \otimes \text{id}) \circ \Delta' : C_{\text{red}}^*(\mathbb{F}O_n) \rightarrow C_{\text{red}}^*(\mathbb{F}O_n).$$

## Deformation of $C = C_{\text{red}}^*(\mathbb{F}O_n)$ inside $C \otimes C$

Consider the embedding  $\iota = \Delta_{\text{red}} : C = C_{\text{red}}^*(\mathbb{F}O_n) \rightarrow C \otimes C$ .

We deform  $\iota$  by putting  $\iota_g(x) = (\text{id} \otimes \alpha_g)\iota : C \rightarrow C \otimes C$ , for  $g \in O_n$ .

Note : using the conditional expectation  $E : C \otimes C \rightarrow C$ , one can recover Brannan's completely positive deformation,  $T_t = E \circ \iota_g$  with  $t = \text{Tr}(g)$ .

## Constructing a cocycle

General scheme : deformation by automorphisms  $\longleftrightarrow$  derivation into a  $C, C$ -bimodule  $\longleftrightarrow$  cocycle in a representation.

Some notation.

$u^\alpha$  irreducible corepr. of  $\mathbb{F}O_n \rightarrow v^\alpha = \pi_*(u^\alpha)$  representation of  $O_n$ .

$X = -X^t \neq 0 \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$  tangent vect. to  $O_n$  at  $I \rightarrow$  differentiation  $d_X$ .

### Proposition (Fima-V.)

*The cocycle associated to the previous deformation is*

$$c_X : \mathbb{C}[\mathbb{F}O_n] \rightarrow \ell^2(\mathbb{F}O_n), \quad u_{ij}^\alpha \mapsto \sum_{kl} (d_X v_{kl}^\alpha) \times u_{ik}^\alpha u_{jl}^{\alpha*} \xi_0,$$

*with respect to the adjoint representation  $\text{ad} : C^*(\mathbb{F}O_n) \rightarrow B(\ell^2(\mathbb{F}O_n))$ .*

*Moreover it is proper.*

Example.  $c_X$  is determined by its value on generators. For  $X = e_{12} + e_{21}$ :

$$c_X(u_{ij}) = (u_{i1}u_{j2} - u_{i2}u_{j1})\xi_0.$$

## The adjoint representation

Remark: in the unimodular case,  $\xi_0$  is fixed by  $\text{ad}$ :  $\epsilon \subset \text{ad}$ .  
 However  $c_X : \mathbb{C}[\mathbb{F}O_n] \rightarrow \ell^2(\mathbb{F}O_n)^\circ = \xi_0^\perp$ .

### Theorem (Fima-V.)

*The subrepresentation  $\text{ad}^\circ \subset \text{ad}$  on  $\ell^2(\mathbb{F}O_n)^\circ$  factors through  $\lambda$ .*

$\mathbb{F}O_n$  has a proper cocycle in a weakly- $\ell^2$  repr. : property “strong (HH)”.

By Ozawa-Popa-Sinclair, using CBAP [Freslon], one gets another proof of:

### Theorem (Isono 2012)

*For  $n \geq 3$ , the factor  $\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{F}O_n)$  is strongly solid.  
 In particular it is prime and has no Cartan subalgebra.*