Categorical Quantum Mechanics: Quantum and Classical Information

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- Classical vs quantum channels state spaces
- Drawing theories apart nonstandard models

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- ► Also interesting mathematically: A ⊗ M_n(C) ≅ M_n(A) a ⊗ e_{ij} → block matrix with a in (i, j)-th block

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Injective wrt completely positive maps for *-algebras iff:

- hyperfinite (dense union of finite-dimensional algebras)
- amenable (all derivations are inner)
- nuclear (good notion of tensor product)
- ► conditional expectation (from B(H) onto A)



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for some $c: I \to X \otimes A$. Take this as definition.

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(g is called Kraus map, \mathbb{C}^k the ancilla system, they are <u>not</u> unique)

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The following are equivalent:

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- $f \otimes id_C \colon A \otimes C \to B \otimes C$ is positive for all (C, \bigstar)
- $f \otimes \operatorname{id}_C \colon A \otimes C \to B \otimes C$ is positive for $C = (X^* \otimes X, /)$



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"Imbedding of normed rings into operators on a Hilbert space" Matematicheskii Sbornik 12(2):197–217, 1943

Operator algebra: state spaces



If G continuous, then F degenerates. $(F(\mathbb{M}_n) = \emptyset \text{ for } n \geq 3)$



"Obstructing extensions of the functor Spec" Israel Journal of Mathematics 192(2):667–698, 2012



"Extending obstructions to functorial spectra" Theory and Applications of Categories, 2014



"The problem if hidden variables in quantum mechanics" Journal of mathematics and Mechanics 17(1):59–87, 1967

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► CP^{*}_c[FHilb] = Hilbert spaces with chosen basis and matrices with entries ≥ 0

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"Pure" embedding that preserves tensor, dagger, etc.

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Operator algebra: infinite dimension

Different generalisations of \mathbb{C}^n and \mathbb{M}_n :

C*-algebras

*-algebra of operators that is \underline{c} losed

AW*-algebras

 \underline{a} bstract/ \underline{a} lgebraic version of \underline{W}^* -algebra

- von Neumann algebras / W*-algebras
 - *-algebra of operators that is weakly closed
- In finite dimension coincide



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"Projections in Banach algebras" Annals of Mathematics 53(2):235–249, 1951



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- $CP^*_{\infty}[Hilb] = type I$ factor W*-algebras and normal c.p. maps



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"Projective topological spaces" Illinois Journal of Mathematics 2(4):482–489, 1958

Quantum teleportation

If $(A, \blacktriangle, \blacklozenge)$ and $(A, \bigstar, \blacklozenge)$ are complementary Frobenius algebras in a dagger compact category **C**, then the following holds in CP^{*}[**C**]:



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A relation $R \subseteq \mathbf{G} \times \mathbf{H}$ between groupoids respects inverses when $(g, h) \in R$ implies $(g^{-1}, h^{-1}) \in R$ and $(\mathrm{id}_{\mathrm{dom}(g)}, \mathrm{id}_{\mathrm{dom}(h)}) \in R$.

 $CP^*[Rel] = groupoids and relations respecting inverses.$

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Answer: indiscrete groupoids (exactly one process $a \rightarrow b$)

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"Relative Frobenius algebras are groupoids" Journal of Pure and Applied Algebra 217:114–124, 2013



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"Mixed quantum states in higher categories" Quantum Physics and Logic, EPTCS 2014

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Conclusion

What have we learnt?

- Frobenius algebras model classical and quantum information
- Physical processes are completely positive channels
- Teleportation uses both classical and quantum information
- In Hilbert spaces: operator algebra
- In possibilistic mechanics: groupoids
- Nonstandard models break distributivity, no-broadcasting

Open questions: interaction between classical and quantum