

C^* -algebras associated to groupoids with proper orbit space

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Abstract

We shall consider a locally compact groupoid endowed with a Haar system ν and having proper orbit space. We shall associated to each appropriated cross section $\sigma : G^{(0)} \rightarrow G^F$ for $d_F : G^F \rightarrow G^{(0)}$ (where F is a Borel subset $G^{(0)}$ meeting each orbit exactly once) a C^* -algebra $M_\sigma^*(G, \nu)$. We shall prove that the C^* -algebras $M_{\sigma_i}^*(G, \nu)$ $i = 1, 2$ associated with different cross sections are $*$ -isomorphic

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1 Introduction

The C^* -algebra of a locally compact groupoid was introduced by J. Renault in [8]. The construction extends the case of a group: the space of continuous functions with compact support on groupoid is made into a $*$ -algebra and endowed with the smallest C^* -norm making its representations continuous.

In [7] Arlan Ramsay and Martin E. Walter have associated to a locally compact groupoid G a C^* - algebra denoted $M^*(G, \nu)$. They have considered the universal representation ω of $C^*(G, \nu)$ -the usual C^* -algebra associated to a Haar system $\nu = \{\nu^u, u \in G^{(0)}\}$ (constructed as in [8]) . Since every cyclic representation of $C^*(G, \nu)$ is the integrated form of a representation of G , it follows that ω can be also regarded as a representation of $\mathcal{B}_c(G)$, the space of compactly supported Borel bounded function on G . Arlan Ramsay and Martin E. Walter have used the notation $M^*(G, \nu)$ for the operator norm closure of $\omega(\mathcal{B}_c(G))$. Since ω is an $*$ -isomorphism on $C^*(G, \nu)$, we can regarded $C^*(G, \nu)$ as a subalgebra of $M^*(G, \nu)$.

We assume that the orbit space of the groupoid G is proper and we choose a Borel subset F of $G^{(0)}$ meeting each orbit exactly once and such that $F \cap [K]$ has a compact closure for each compact subset K of $G^{(0)}$. For each appropriated

cross section $\sigma : G^{(0)} \rightarrow G^F$ for $d_F : G^F \rightarrow G^{(0)}$, $d_F(x) = d(x)$, we construct a C^* -algebra $M_\sigma^*(G, \nu)$ which can be viewed as a subalgebra of $M^*(G, \nu)$. In [2] we have proved that if $\nu_1 = \{\nu_1^u, u \in G^{(0)}\}$ and $\nu_2 = \{\nu_2^u, u \in G^{(0)}\}$ are two Haar systems on G , then the C^* -algebras $M_{\sigma_1}^*(G, \nu_1)$ and $M_{\sigma_2}^*(G, \nu_2)$ are $*$ -isomorphic. We have also proved that for a transitive (or more generally, a locally transitive) groupoid G , the C^* -algebras $C^*(G, \nu)$, $M^*(G, \nu)$ and $M_\sigma^*(G, \nu)$ coincide, and for a principal proper groupoid G , we have proved that

$$C^*(G, \nu) \subset M_\sigma^*(G, \nu) \subset M^*(G, \nu).$$

In this paper we shall prove that the C^* -algebras $M_{\sigma_i}^*(G, \nu)$ $i = 1, 2$ associated with different cross sections are $*$ -isomorphic

2 Definitions and Notation

We shall use the definition of a topological groupoid given by J. Renault in [8]. For a groupoid G , $G^{(2)}$ will denote the composable pairs. The inverse map is written $x \rightarrow x^{-1} [: G \rightarrow G]$ and the product map is written $(x, y) \rightarrow xy [: G^{(2)} \rightarrow G]$. The maps r and d on G , defined by the formulae $r(x) = xx^{-1}$ and $d(x) = x^{-1}x$, are called the range and the source maps. It follows easily from the definition that they have a common image called the unit space of G , which is denoted $G^{(0)}$. Its elements are units in the sense that $xd(x) = r(x)x = x$. Units will usually be denoted by letters as u, v, w while arbitrary elements will be denoted by x, y, z . It is useful to note that a pair (x, y) lies in $G^{(2)}$ precisely when $d(x) = r(y)$, and that the cancellation laws hold (e.g. $xy = xz$ iff $y = z$). The fibres of the range and the source maps are denoted $G^u = r^{-1}(\{u\})$ and $G_v = d^{-1}(\{v\})$, respectively. More generally, given the subsets $A, B \subset G^{(0)}$, we define $G^A = r^{-1}(A)$, $G_B = d^{-1}(B)$ and $G_B^A = r^{-1}(A) \cap d^{-1}(B)$. The reduction of G to $A \subset G^{(0)}$ is $G|_A = G_A^A$. The relation $u \sim v$ iff $G_v^u \neq \emptyset$ is an equivalence relation on $G^{(0)}$. Its equivalence classes are called orbits and the orbit of a unit u is denoted $[u]$. A groupoid is called transitive iff it has a single orbit. The quotient space for this equivalence relation is called the orbit space of G and denoted $G^{(0)}/G$. We denote by $\pi : G^{(0)} \rightarrow G^{(0)}/G$, $\pi(u) = \dot{u}$ the quotient map. A subset of $G^{(0)}$ is said saturated if it contains the orbits of its elements. For any subset A of $G^{(0)}$, we denote by $[A]$ the union of the orbits $[u]$ for all $u \in A$.

A topological groupoid consists of a groupoid G and a topology compatible with the groupoid structure. This means that:

- (1) $x \rightarrow x^{-1} [: G \rightarrow G]$ is continuous.
- (2) $(x, y) [: G^{(2)} \rightarrow G]$ is continuous where $G^{(2)}$ has the induced topology from $G \times G$.

We are exclusively concerned with topological groupoids which are second countable, locally compact Hausdorff. It was shown in [6] that measured groupoids may be assumed to have locally compact topologies, with no loss in generality.

If X is a locally compact space, $C_c(X)$ denotes the space of complex-valued continuous functions with compact support. The Borel sets of a topological space are taken to be the σ -algebra generated by the open sets. The space of compactly supported bounded Borel function on X is denoted by $\mathcal{B}_c(X)$.

Let G be a locally compact second countable groupoid equipped with a Haar system, i.e. a family of positive Radon measures on G , $\{\nu^u, u \in G^{(0)}\}$, such that

- 1) For all $u \in G^{(0)}$, $\text{supp}(\nu^u) = G^u$.
- 2) For all $f \in C_c(G)$,

$$u \rightarrow \int f(x) d\nu^u(x) \quad [: G^{(0)} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}]$$

is continuous.

- 3) For all $f \in C_c(G)$ and all $x \in G$,

$$\int f(y) d\nu^{r(x)}(y) = \int f(xy) d\nu^{d(x)}(y)$$

As a consequence of the existence of continuous Haar systems, $r, d : G \rightarrow G^{(0)}$ are open maps ([10]). Therefore, in this paper we shall always assume that $r : G \rightarrow G^{(0)}$ is an open map

If μ is a measure on $G^{(0)}$, then the measure $\nu = \int \nu^u d\mu(u)$, defined by

$$\int f(y) d\nu(y) = \int \left(\int f(y) d\nu^u(y) \right) d\mu(u), \quad f \geq 0 \text{ Borel}$$

is called the measure on G induced by μ . The image of ν by the inverse map $x \rightarrow x^{-1}$ is denoted ν^{-1} . μ is said quasi-invariant if its induced measure ν is equivalent to its inverse ν^{-1} . A measure belongs to the class of a quasi-invariant measure is also quasi-invariant. We say that the class is invariant.

If μ is a quasi-invariant measure on $G^{(0)}$ and ν is the measure induced on G , then the Radon-Nikodym derivative $\Delta = \frac{d\nu}{d\nu^{-1}}$ is called the modular function of μ .

In order to define the C^* -algebra of a groupoid the space of continuous functions with compact support on groupoid is made into a $*$ -algebra and endowed with the smallest C^* -norm making its representations continuous. For $f, g \in C_c(G)$ the convolution is defined by:

$$f * g(x) = \int f(xy) g(y^{-1}) d\nu^{d(x)}(y)$$

and the involution by

$$f^*(x) = \overline{f(x^{-1})}.$$

Under these operations, $C_c(G)$ becomes a topological $*$ -algebra.

A representation of $C_c(G)$ is a $*$ -homomorphism from $C_c(G)$ into $\mathcal{B}(H)$, for some Hilbert space H , that is continuous with respect to the inductive limit

topology on $C_c(G)$ and the weak operator topology on $\mathcal{B}(H)$. The full C^* -algebra $C^*(G)$ is defined as the completion of the involutive algebra $C_c(G)$ with respect to the full C^* -norm

$$\|f\| = \sup \|L(f)\|$$

where L runs over all non-degenerate representation of $C_c(G)$ which are continuous for the inductive limit topology.

Every representation $(\mu, G^{(0)} * \mathcal{H}, L)$ (see Definition 3.20/p.68 [4]) of G can be integrated into a representation, still denoted by L , of $C_c(G)$. The relation between the two representation is:

$$\langle L(f) \xi_1, \xi_2 \rangle = \int f(x) \langle L(x) \xi_1(d(x)), \xi_2(r(x)) \rangle \Delta^{-\frac{1}{2}}(x) d\nu^u(x) d\mu(u)$$

where $f \in C_c(G)$, $\xi_1, \xi_2 \in \int_{G^{(0)}}^{\oplus} \mathcal{H}(u) d\mu(u)$.

Conversely, every non-degenerate $*$ -representation of $C_c(G)$ is obtained in this fashion (see [8] or [4]).

3 The decomposition of a Haar system over the principal groupoid

We shall need some results on the structure of the Haar systems developed by J. Renault in Section 1 of [9] and also by A. Ramsay and M.E. Walter in Section 2 of [7].

In Section 1 of [9] Jean Renault constructs a Borel Haar system for G' . One way to do this is to choose a function F_0 continuous with conditionally support which is nonnegative and equal to 1 at each $u \in G^{(0)}$. Then for each $u \in G^{(0)}$ choose a left Haar measure β_u^u on G_u^u so the integral of F_0 with respect to β_u^u is 1.

Renault defines $\beta_v^u = x\beta_v^v$ if $x \in G_v^u$ (where $x\beta_v^v(f) = \int f(xy) d\beta_v^v(y)$ as usual). If z is another element in G_v^u , then $x^{-1}z \in G_v^v$, and since β_v^v is a left Haar measure on G_v^v , it follows that β_v^u is independent of the choice of x . If K is a compact subset of G , then $\sup_{u,v} \beta_v^u(K) < \infty$. Renault also defines a 1-cocycle

δ on G such that for every $u \in G^{(0)}$, $\delta|_{G_u^u}$ is the modular function for β_u^u . δ and $\delta^{-1} = 1/\delta$ are bounded on compact sets in G .

Let

$$R = (r, d)(G) = \{(r(x), d(x)), x \in G\}$$

be the graph of the equivalence relation induced on $G^{(0)}$. This R is the image of G under the homomorphism (r, d) , so it is a σ -compact groupoid. With this apparatus in place, Renault describes a decomposition of the Haar system $\{\nu^u, u \in G^{(0)}\}$ for G over the equivalence relation R (the principal groupoid

associated to G). He proves that there is a unique Borel Haar system α for R with the property that

$$\nu^u = \int \beta_t^s d\alpha^u(s, t) \quad \text{for all } u \in G^{(0)}.$$

In Section 2 [7] A. Ramsay and M.E. Walter prove that

$$\sup_u \alpha^u((r, d)(K)) < \infty, \text{ for all compact } K \subset G$$

For each $u \in G^{(0)}$ the measure α^u is concentrated on $\{u\} \times [u]$. Therefore there is a measure μ^u concentrated on $[u]$ such that $\alpha^u = \varepsilon_u \times \mu^u$, where ε_u is the unit point mass at u . Since $\{\alpha^u, u \in G^{(0)}\}$ is a Haar system, we have $\mu^u = \mu^v$ for all $(u, v) \in R$, and the function

$$u \rightarrow \int f(s) \mu^u(s)$$

is Borel for all $f \geq 0$ Borel on $G^{(0)}$. For each u the measure μ^u is quasi-invariant (Section 2 [7]). Therefore μ^u is equivalent to $d_*(v^u)$ (Lemma 4.5/p. 277 [5]).

If η is a quasi-invariant measure for $\{\nu^u, u \in G^{(0)}\}$, then η is a quasi-invariant measure for $\{\alpha^u, u \in G^{(0)}\}$. Also if Δ_R is the modular function associated to $\{\alpha^u, u \in G^{(0)}\}$ and η , then $\Delta = \delta \Delta_R \circ (r, d)$ can serve as the modular function associated to $\{\nu^u, u \in G^{(0)}\}$ and η .

Since $\mu^u = \mu^v$ for all $(u, v) \in R$, the system of measures $\{\mu^u\}_u$ may be indexed on the elements of the orbit space $G^{(0)}/G$.

Definition 1 *We shall call the pair of the system of measures*

$$\left(\{\beta_v^u\}_{(u,v) \in R}, \{\mu^u\}_{u \in G^{(0)}/G} \right)$$

(described above) the decomposition of the Haar system $\{\nu^u, u \in G^{(0)}\}$ over the principal groupoid associated to G . Also we shall call δ the 1-cocycle associated to the decomposition.

Definition 2 *A locally compact groupoid G is proper if the map $(r, d) : G \rightarrow G^{(0)} \times G^{(0)}$ is proper (i.e. the inverse map of each compact subset of $G^{(0)} \times G^{(0)}$ is compact). (Definition 2.1.9/p. 37 [1]).*

Throughout this paper we shall assume that G is a second countable locally compact groupoid for which the orbit space is Hausdorff and the map

$$(r, d) : G \rightarrow R, (r, d)(x) = (r(x), d(x))$$

is open, where R is endowed with the product topology induced from $G^{(0)} \times G^{(0)}$. Therefore R will be a locally compact groupoid. The fact that R is a closed subset of $G^{(0)} \times G^{(0)}$ and that it is endowed with the product topology is equivalent to the fact R is a proper groupoid.

In the subsequent considerations by a groupoid with proper orbit space we shall mean a groupoid G for which the orbit space is Hausdorff and the map

$$(r, d) : G \rightarrow R, (r, d)(x) = (r(x), d(x))$$

is open, where R is endowed with the product topology induced from $G^{(0)} \times G^{(0)}$.

4 A C^* -algebra associated to a locally compact groupoid with proper orbit space

Let G be a locally compact second countable groupoid with proper orbit space. Let

$$\pi : G^{(0)} \rightarrow G^{(0)}/G$$

be the quotient map. Let F be a Borel subset of $G^{(0)}$ meeting each orbit exactly once. We shall associate a C^* -algebra to each cross section $\sigma : G^{(0)} \rightarrow G^F$ for $d_F : G^F \rightarrow G^{(0)}$, $d_F(x) = d(x)$, satisfying the following properties:

1. $\sigma(e(v)) = e(v)$ for all $v \in G^{(0)}$, where $e(u)$ is the unique element in the orbit of u contained in F .
2. $\sigma(K)$ is relatively compact in G for all compact sets $K \subset G^{(0)}$.

First let us show that there exist such cross sections. Since the quotient space is proper, $G^{(0)}/G$ is Hausdorff. We have assumed that the range map r is open. As a consequence, the map π is open. Applying Lemma 1.1 [3] to the locally compact second countable spaces $G^{(0)}$ and $G^{(0)}/G$ and to the continuous open surjection $\pi : G^{(0)} \rightarrow G^{(0)}/G$, it follows that there is a Borel set F in $G^{(0)}$ such that:

1. F contains exactly one element in each orbit $[u] = \pi^{-1}(\pi(u))$.
2. For each compact subset K of $G^{(0)}$, $F \cap [K] = F \cap \pi^{-1}(\pi(K))$ has a compact closure.

For each unit u let us define $e(u) = F \cap [u]$ ($e(u)$ is the unique element in the orbit of u contained in F). For each Borel subset B of $G^{(0)}$, π is continuous and one-to-one on $B \cap F$ and hence $\pi(B \cap F)$ is Borel in $G^{(0)}/G$. Therefore the map $e : G^{(0)} \rightarrow G^{(0)}$ is Borel (for each Borel subset B of $G^{(0)}$, $e^{-1}(B) = [B \cap F] = \pi^{-1}(\pi(B \cap F))$ is Borel in $G^{(0)}$). Also for each compact subset K of $G^{(0)}$, $e(K)$ has a compact closure because $e(K) \subset F \cap [K]$.

Since the orbit space $G^{(0)}/G$ is proper the map

$$(r, d) : G \rightarrow R, (r, d)(x) = (r(x), d(x))$$

is open and R is closed in $G^{(0)} \times G^{(0)}$. Applying Lemma 1.1 [3] to the locally compact second countable spaces G and R and to the continuous open surjection

$(r, d) : G \rightarrow R$, it follows that there is a *regular cross section* $\sigma_0 : R \rightarrow G$. This means that σ_0 is Borel, $(r, d)(\sigma_0(u, v)) = (u, v)$ for all $(u, v) \in R$, and $\sigma_0(K)$ is relatively compact in G for each compact subset K of R .

Let us define $\sigma : G^{(0)} \rightarrow G^F$ by $\sigma(u) = \sigma_0(e(u), u)$ for all u . It is easy to note that σ is a cross section for $d : G^F \rightarrow G^{(0)}$ and $\sigma(K)$ is relatively compact in G for all compact $K \subset G^{(0)}$.

Replacing σ by

$$v \rightarrow \sigma(e(v))^{-1} \sigma(v)$$

we may assume that $\sigma(e(v)) = e(v)$ for all v . Therefore there exist cross section σ satisfying the conditions from the beginning of this section.

Let us define $q : G \rightarrow G_F^F$ by

$$q(x) = \sigma(r(x)) x \sigma(d(x))^{-1}, \quad x \in G.$$

Let $\nu = \{\nu^u : u \in G^{(0)}\}$ be a Haar system on G and let $(\{\beta_v^u\}, \{\mu^u\})$ be its decompositions over the principal groupoid. Let δ be the 1-cocycle associated to the decomposition.

Let us denote by $\mathcal{B}_\sigma(G)$ the linear span of the functions of the form

$$x \rightarrow g_1(r(x)) g(q(x)) g_2(d(x))$$

where g_1, g_2 are compactly supported Borel bounded function on $G^{(0)}$ and g is a Borel bounded function on G_F^F such that if S is the support of g , then the closure of $\sigma(K_1)^{-1} S \sigma(K_2)$ is compact in G for all compact subsets K_1, K_2 of $G^{(0)}$. $\mathcal{B}_\sigma(G)$ is a subspace of $\mathcal{B}_c(G)$, the space of compactly supported Borel bounded function on G .

If $f_1, f_2 \in \mathcal{B}_\sigma(G)$ are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(x) &= g_1(r(x)) g(q(x)) g_2(d(x)) \\ f_2(x) &= h_1(r(x)) h(q(x)) h_2(d(x)) \end{aligned}$$

then

$$f_1 * f_2(x) = g * h(q(x)) g_1(r(x)) h_2(d(x)) \int g_2(u) h_1(u) d\mu^{\pi(r(x))}(u)$$

$$f_1^*(x) = \overline{g_2(r(x)) g(q(x)^{-1}) g_1(d(x))}$$

Thus $\mathcal{B}_\sigma(G)$ is closed under convolution and involution.

Let ω be the universal representation of $C^*(G, \nu)$ the usual C^* -algebra associated to a Haar system $\nu = \{\nu^u, u \in G^{(0)}\}$ (constructed as in [8]). Since every cyclic representation of $C^*(G, \nu)$ is the integrated form of a representation of G , it follows that ω can be also regarded as a representation of $\mathcal{B}_c(G)$, the space of compactly supported Borel bounded function on G . Arlan Ramsay and Martin E. Walter have used the notation $M^*(G, \nu)$ for the operator norm closure of $\omega(\mathcal{B}_c(G))$. Since ω is an $*$ -isomorphism on $C^*(G, \nu)$, we can regard $C^*(G, \nu)$ as a subalgebra of $M^*(G, \nu)$.

Definition 3 We denote by $M_\sigma^*(G, \nu)$ the operator norm closure of $\omega(B_\sigma(G))$.

In [2] we have proved the follow theorem

Theorem 4 Let G be a locally compact second countable groupoid with proper orbit space. Let $\{\nu_i^u, u \in G^{(0)}\}$, $i = 1, 2$ be two Haar systems on G . Let F be a Borel subset of $G^{(0)}$ containing only one element $e(u)$ in each orbit $[u]$. Let $\sigma : G^{(0)} \rightarrow G^F$ be a cross section for $d : G^F \rightarrow G^{(0)}$ with $\sigma(e(v)) = e(v)$ for all $v \in G^{(0)}$ and $\sigma(K)$ relatively compact in G for all compact sets $K \subset G^{(0)}$. Then the C^* -algebras $M_\sigma^*(G, \nu_1)$ and $M_\sigma^*(G, \nu_2)$ are $*$ -isomorphic.

5 The independence of the C^* -algebra $M_\sigma(G, \nu)$ on the cross section σ

In order to prove that the C^* -algebras $M_{\sigma_i}^*(G, \nu)$ $i = 1, 2$ associated with different cross sections are $*$ -isomorphic, we need to emphasize the structure of the quasi invariant measures in term of decomposition of the Haar system over the associated principal groupoid.

Remark 5 Let G be a locally compact second countable groupoid with proper orbit space. Let $\{\nu^u, u \in G^{(0)}\}$ be a Haar system on G and $(\{\beta_v^u\}, \{\mu^{\dot{u}}\})$ be its decomposition over the associated principal groupoid. If μ is a quasi-invariant probability measure for the Haar system, then $\mu_1 = \int \mu^{\pi(u)} d\mu(u)$ is a Radon measure which is equivalent to μ . Indeed, let $f \geq 0$ Borel on $G^{(0)}$ such that $\mu(f) = 0$. Since μ is quasi-invariant, it follows that for μ a.a. u $\nu^u(f \circ d) = 0$, and since $\mu^{\pi(u)}$ is equivalent to $d_*(\nu^u)$, it results $\mu^{\pi(u)}(f) = 0$ for μ a.a. u . Conversely, if $\mu_1(f) = 0$, then $\mu^{\pi(u)}(f) = 0$ for μ a.a. u , and therefore $\nu^u(f \circ d) = 0$. Thus the quasi-invariance of μ implies $\mu(f) = 0$. Thus each Radon quasi-invariant measure is equivalent to a Radon measure of the form $\int \mu^{\dot{u}} d\tilde{\mu}(\dot{u})$, where $\tilde{\mu}$ is a probability measure on the orbit space $G/G^{(0)}$.

Theorem 6 Let G be a locally compact second countable groupoid with proper orbit space. Let $\{\nu^u, u \in G^{(0)}\}$ be a Haar systems on G . Let F_i , $i = 1, 2$, be two Borel subsets of $G^{(0)}$ containing only one element $e_i(u)$ in each orbit $[u]$. For each $i = 1, 2$, let $\sigma_i : G^{(0)} \rightarrow G^{F_i}$ be a cross section for $d_{F_i} : G^{F_i} \rightarrow G^{(0)}$, $d_{F_i}(x) = d(x)$, satisfying the conditions

1. $\sigma_i(e_i(v)) = e_i(v)$ for all $v \in G^{(0)}$
2. $\sigma_i(K)$ is relatively compact in G for all compact sets $K \subset G^{(0)}$.

Then the C^* -algebras $M_{\sigma_1}^*(G, \nu)$ and $M_{\sigma_2}^*(G, \nu)$ are $*$ -isomorphic.

Proof. Let $(\{\beta_v^u\}, \{\mu^u\})$ be the decomposition of the Haar system over the principal groupoid . Let δ be the 1-cocycle associated to the decomposition.

For each i , let $q_i : G \rightarrow G_{F_i}^{F_i}$ be defined by

$$q_i(x) = \sigma_i(r(x)) x \sigma_i(d(x))^{-1}, x \in G.$$

We shall define a $*$ -homomorphism Φ from $\mathcal{B}_{\sigma_1}(G)$ to $\mathcal{B}_{\sigma_2}(G)$. It suffices to define Φ on the set of function on G of the form

$$x \rightarrow g_1(r(x)) g(q_1(x)) g_2(d(x))$$

Let us define Φ by

$$\Phi(f) = (x \rightarrow C(x) g_1(r(x)) g_2(d(x)) g \circ q_{12} \circ q_2(x))$$

where f is defined by

$$f(x) = g_1(r(x)) g(q_1(x)) g_2(d(x))$$

and

$$C(x) = \delta(\sigma_1(e_2(r(x))))^{-1}.$$

It is easy to see that $C(x) = C(y)$ if x and y belong to the same transitivity component of G .

If f_1 and f_2 are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(x) &= g_1(r(x)) g(q_1(x)) g_2(d(x)) \\ f_2(x) &= h_1(r(x)) h(q_1(x)) h_2(d(x)) \end{aligned}$$

then

$$f_1 * f_2(x) = g * h(q_1(x)) g_1(r(x)) h_2(d(x)) \int g_2(u) h_1(u) d\mu^{\pi(r(x))}(u)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\Phi(f_1 * f_2) \\ &= C(x) (g * h) \circ q_{12} \circ q_2(x) g_1(r(x)) h_2(d(x)) \int g_2(u) h_1(u) d\mu^{\pi(r(x))}(u) \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(f_1) &= C(x) g \circ q_{12} \circ q_2(x) g_1(r(x)) g_2(d(x)) \\ \Phi(f_2) &= C(x) h \circ q_{12} \circ q_2(x) h_1(r(x)) h_2(d(x)) \end{aligned}$$

it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} &\Phi(f_1) * \Phi(f_2) \\ &= C(x)^2 g \circ q_{12} * h \circ q_{12} \circ q_2(x) g_1(r(x)) h_2(d(x)) \cdot \\ &\quad \cdot \int g_2(u) h_1(u) d\mu^{\pi(r(x))}(u) \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, for all $z \in G_{F_2}^{F_2}$

$$\begin{aligned} (g * h) \circ q_{12}(z) &= \int g(q_{12}(z)y) h(y^{-1}) d\beta_{e_1(r(z))}^{e_1(r(z))}(y) \\ &= \delta(\sigma_1(e_2(r(z))))^{-1} \cdot A(z) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} &A(z) \\ &= \int g(q_{12}(z)\sigma_1(r(y))y\sigma_1(d(y))^{-1}) h(\sigma_1(d(y))y^{-1}\sigma_1(r(y))^{-1}) d\beta_{e_2(r(z))}^{e_2(r(z))}(y) \\ &= \int g(q_{12}(z)q_{12}(y)) h(q_{12}(y)^{-1}) d\beta_{e_2(r(z))}^{e_2(r(z))}(y) \\ &= \int g(q_{12}(zy)) h(q_{12}(y^{-1})) d\beta_{e_2(r(z))}^{e_2(r(z))}(y) \\ &= (g \circ q_{12}(y) * h \circ q_{12})(z) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\Phi(f_1 * f_2) = \Phi(f_1) * \Phi(f_2)$.

Since

$$f_1^*(x) = \overline{g_2(r(x))g(q(x)^{-1})g_1(d(x))}$$

it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(f_1^*) &= C(x) \overline{g((q_{12} \circ q_2(x))^{-1})g_2(r(x))g_1(d(x))} \\ &= \Phi(f_1)^* \end{aligned}$$

Let $(L, \mathcal{H} * G^{(0)}, \mu)$ be a representation of G . We have seen in Remark 5 that each Radon quasi-invariant measure μ with respect to the Haar system ν is equivalent to a Radon measure of the form $\int \mu^{\dot{u}} d\tilde{\mu}(\dot{u})$, where $\tilde{\mu}$ is a probability measure on the orbit space $G/G^{(0)}$. We note that $\int \mu^{\dot{u}} d\tilde{\mu}(\dot{u})$ is equivalent to $\eta_1 = \int \rho_1 \cdot \mu^{\dot{u}} d\tilde{\mu}(\dot{u})$ which is equivalent to $\eta_2 = \int \rho_2 \cdot \mu^{\dot{u}} d\tilde{\mu}(\dot{u})$, where $\rho_1(w) = \delta(\sigma_1(u))^{-1}$ and $\rho_2(w) = \delta(\sigma_2(u))^{-1}$ for all $w \in G^{(0)}$.

Then $(L, \mathcal{H} * G^{(0)}, \mu), (L, \mathcal{H} * G^{(0)}, \eta_1)$ and $(L, \mathcal{H} * G^{(0)}, \eta_2)$ are equivalent representations. Let L_1 be the integrated form of a representation $(L, \mathcal{H} * G^{(0)}, \eta_1)$ and let L_2 be the integrated form of a representation $(L, \mathcal{H} * G^{(0)}, \eta_2)$. Let B be the Borel function defined by:

$$B(u) = \delta(\sigma_2(u))^{1/2} \delta(\sigma_1(u))^{-1/2} L_2(\sigma_2(u))^{-1} L_1(\sigma_1(e_2(u)))^{-1} L_1(\sigma_1(u))$$

and $W : \int_{G^{(0)}}^{\oplus} \mathcal{H}(u) d\eta_1(u) \rightarrow \int_{G^{(0)}}^{\oplus} \mathcal{H}(u) d\eta_2(u)$ be defined by

$$W(\zeta) = (u \rightarrow B(u)(\zeta(u)))$$

For $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \int_{G^{(0)}}^{\oplus} \mathcal{H}(u) d\eta_1(u)$ and f of the form

$$f(x) = g_1(r(x))g(q(x))g_2(d(x)),$$

we have

$$\langle L_1(f)\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \rangle = \langle W^*L_2(\Phi(f))W\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \rangle$$

Therefore $\|L_1(f)\| = \|L_2(\Phi(f))\|$. Consequently, $\|f\| = \|\Phi(f)\|$ (full C^* -norms). Thus we can extend Φ to a $*$ -homomorphism between the $M_{\sigma_1}^*(G, \nu)$ and $M_{\sigma_2}^*(G, \nu)$. It is not hard to see that Φ is in fact a $*$ -isomorphism:

$$\Phi^{-1}(f) = \left(x \rightarrow C(x)^{-1}g_1(r(x))g_2(d(x))g \circ q_{21} \circ q_1(x) \right)$$

for each f of the form

$$f(x) = g_1(r(x))g(q(x))g_2(d(x)).$$

where $q_{21}(x) = \sigma_1(e_2(r(x)))^{-1}x\sigma_1(e_2(d(x)))$ for all $x \in G_{F_2}^{F_2}$. ■

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