

**Robin Deeley** *Groupoid  $C^*$ -algebras*

**Exercise:** Suppose  $X$  is a nonempty finite set and  $R$  is an equivalence relation on  $X$ .

- (a) Prove that  $C^*(R)$  is the direct sum of finitely many matrix algebras.
- (b) Compute the  $K$ -theory of  $C^*(R)$ .

*If you have extra time:*

Let  $G$  be a group. Examine the structure of the following two groupoids constructed from  $G$ .

1. Let  $\mathcal{G} = G$  and  $\mathcal{G}^2 = G \times G$ ; the multiplication map  $\mathcal{G}^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  is given by group multiplication, and the map  $\mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  is given by taking the inverse.
  - (a) Prove that  $\mathcal{G}$  is a groupoid.
  - (b) What is  $\mathcal{G}^0$  in this case?
  - (c) Prove that  $\mathcal{G}$  is étale iff  $G$  is discrete.
2. Let  $G$  be a finite group, and set  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}} = G \times G$ , with  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}^2 = \{((g, h), (gh, k)) : g, h, k \in G\}$ . Then the map  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}^2 \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is given by  $((g, h), (gh, k)) \mapsto (g, hk)$  and the map  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is defined via  $(g, h) \mapsto (gh, h^{-1})$ .
  - (a) Prove that  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is a groupoid.
  - (b) What is  $C_c(\tilde{\mathcal{G}})$ ? What changes if  $G$  is a countable discrete group?

**Corey Jones** *Subfactors and quantum symmetries*

**Exercise:** Let  $N \subset B(\mathcal{H})$  be a  $\text{II}_1$  factor. For  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ , embed  $N \hookrightarrow M_d(N)$  by

$$x \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} x & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & x \end{pmatrix} \quad x \in N.$$

In this exercise, you will compute  $[M_d(N) : N]$ .

- (a) Show that  $B(L^2(M_d(N))) = M_{d^2}(B(L^2(N)))$ , where the entries in the latter space are indexed by pairs of pairs:  $((i, j), (k, \ell))$  for  $i, j, k, \ell = 1, \dots, d$ .  
**[Hint:** first show that  $L^2(M_d(N)) \cong L^2(N)^{\oplus d^2}$ .]
- (b) Show that  $N' \cap B(L^2(M_d(N))) = M_{d^2}(N' \cap L^2(N))$ .
- (c) For  $X = (x_{i,j})_{i,j=1}^d \in M_d(N)$ , show that

$$e_N X = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{d} \sum_{i=1}^d x_{i,i} & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \frac{1}{d} \sum_{i=1}^d x_{i,i} \end{pmatrix}.$$

as vectors in  $L^2(M_d(N))$ .

- (d) Viewing  $e_N \in M_{d^2}(N' \cap L^2(N))$ , show that the  $((i, j), (k, \ell))$ -entry of  $e_N$  is  $\frac{1}{d} \delta_{i=j} \delta_{k=\ell}$ .
- (e) Compute  $\tau_{M_d(N)}(e_N)$  and  $[M_d(N) : N]$ .
- (f) Show that  $\langle M_d(N), e_N \rangle \cong M_{d^2}(N)$ .