

# Quantum Symmetries of Quantum Metric Spaces

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## Compact Quantum Groups

# Compact Quantum Groups: Intuition

**Quantum Groups** are used as a term to describe certain classes of Hopf algebras.

## Theorem (Gelfand Duality)

Every commutative unital  $C^*$ -algebra is isomorphic to  $C(X)$  for some compact Hausdorff space  $X$ .

Moreover, every unital  $*$ -homomorphism  $C(X) \rightarrow C(Y)$  is of the form

$$f \mapsto (y \mapsto f(\phi(y)))$$

for a (unique) continuous map  $\phi : Y \rightarrow X$ .

Gelfand duality  $\Rightarrow$  all information about compact Hausdorff spaces is captured by the theory of commutative  $C^*$ -algebras.

# Compact Quantum Groups: Intuition

## Quantum Spaces

Function algebras of compact spaces  $\leftrightarrow$  commutative unital  $C^*$ -algebras

Function algebras of “quantum spaces”  $\leftrightarrow$  non-commutative  $C^*$ -algebras

Gelfand duality  $\Rightarrow$  structure of a compact *group*  $G$  can be phrased entirely in terms of extra structure on the commutative unital  $C^*$ -algebra of functions  $C(G)$ .

## Compact Quantum Groups

Compact quantum groups  $\leftrightarrow$  consider same extra structure on arbitrary unital  $C^*$ -algebras

## Compact Quantum Groups: Motivation

$G$ : compact group

$\mathcal{A} = C(G)$  with homomorphisms

► 
$$\Delta : C(G) \rightarrow C(G \times G) \cong C(G) \otimes C(G)$$
$$(\Delta(f))(g, h) = f(g \cdot h)$$

satisfies  $(\Delta \otimes \text{id}) \circ \Delta = (\text{id} \otimes \Delta) \circ \Delta$ .

There is a natural isomorphism

$$\Psi : C(G) \otimes C(G) \rightarrow C(G \times G)$$
$$f_1 \otimes f_2 \mapsto \Psi(f_1 \otimes f_2)$$

where  $(\Psi(f_1 \otimes f_2))(g, h) := f_1(g)f_2(h)$ .

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- ▶  $\epsilon : C(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that  $\epsilon(f) = f(e)$ . The unit conditions translate to  $(\epsilon \otimes \text{id}) \circ \Delta = \text{id} = (\text{id} \otimes \epsilon) \circ \Delta$ .
- ▶  $S : C(G) \rightarrow C(G)$  such that  $S(f)(g) = f(g^{-1})$ . The inverse conditions translate to  $m \circ (S \otimes \text{id}) \circ \Delta = u \circ \epsilon = m \circ (\text{id} \otimes S) \circ \Delta$  where  $m : C(G \times G) \rightarrow C(G)$ ,  $m(f)(g) = f(g, h)$  and  $u : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow C(G)$  is the unit map.

# Compact Quantum Groups: Motivation

## Definition

A **Hopf  $\ast$ -algebra** is a pair  $(\mathcal{A}, \Delta)$  where

$\mathcal{A}$  is a unital  $\ast$ -algebra and we have the homomorphisms

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## Compact Quantum Groups: Motivation

$G$ : compact group

$\mathcal{A} = C(G)$  with unital  $*$ -homomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta : C(G) &\rightarrow C(G \times G) \\ (\Delta(f))(g, h) &= f(g \cdot h)\end{aligned}$$

Here, the comultiplication operator  $\Delta$  captures the operation of the group. What does this look like in the noncommutative case?

# Compact Quantum Groups: Definition

## Definition (Woronowicz)

A **compact quantum group (c.q.g.)** is a unital  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  equipped with a unital  $*$ -homomorphism called **comultiplication**  $\Delta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$  such that

- ▶  $(\Delta \otimes \text{id}) \circ \Delta = (\text{id} \otimes \Delta) \circ \Delta$  as homomorphisms  $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$  (called **coassociativity**)
- ▶ the spaces  $\text{span}\{(a \otimes 1)\Delta(b) \mid a, b \in \mathcal{A}\}$  and  $\text{span}\{(1 \otimes a)\Delta(b) \mid a, b \in \mathcal{A}\}$  are dense in  $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$  (called the **cancellation property**)

# Compact Quantum Groups

**Coassociativity:**  $(\Delta \otimes \text{id}) \circ \Delta = (\text{id} \otimes \Delta) \circ \Delta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$

**Cancellation:**  $(\mathcal{A} \otimes 1)\Delta(\mathcal{A})$  and  $(1 \otimes \mathcal{A})\Delta(\mathcal{A})$  are dense in  $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$

## Theorem / Example

$G$ : compact group

Then  $\mathcal{A} = C(G)$  is a c.q.g. with comultiplication given by

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta : C(G) &\rightarrow C(G \times G) \cong C(G) \otimes C(G) \\ (\Delta(f))(g, h) &= f(g \cdot h)\end{aligned}$$

## Theorem / Example

Conversely, every c.q.g.  $(\mathcal{A}, \Delta)$  with  $\mathcal{A}$  commutative is of the form  $\mathcal{A} = C(G)$  for some compact group  $G$ .

# Classical Symmetry

Symmetries of a structure  $X$  are viewed as transformations of  $X$  preserving its relevant properties.

## metric space

If  $(X, d)$  is a metric space then we require that the transformations do not change the metric, and we get isometries. The isometry group (symmetry group of a metric space) is the group of all bijective isometries from  $X$  onto itself, with the group operation being function composition.

# The Compact Quantum Group $S_n^+$

## Definition

A **magic unitary matrix** over a  $*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is some  $n \times n$  matrix  $U = [u_{xy}]_{x,y=1,\dots,n}$  with entries  $u_{xy} \in \mathcal{A}$  that satisfies

- ▶  $u_{xy} = u_{xy}^* = u_{xy}^2$
- ▶  $\sum_{y=1}^n u_{xy} = 1 = \sum_{x=1}^n u_{xy}$

**Note:**  $\mathcal{A} = \mathbb{C} \Leftrightarrow U \in M_n(\mathbb{C}) \Leftrightarrow$  permutation matrix

## The Compact Quantum Group $S_n^+$

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$$\Delta(u_{ij}) = \sum_{k=1}^n u_{ik} \otimes u_{kj}$$

# The Compact Quantum Group $S_n^+$

For  $n = 1, 2, 3$ ,  $C(S_n^+) = C(S_n)$ .

For  $n \geq 4$ ,  $C(S_n^+) \neq C(S_n)$

i.e.  $C(S_n^+)$  is non-commutative in these cases.

Indeed, for any pair of projections  $p, q \in B(\mathcal{H})$ , the following matrix is a magic unitary:

$$\begin{pmatrix} p & 1-p & 0 & 0 \\ 1-p & p & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & q & 1-q \\ 0 & 0 & 1-q & q \end{pmatrix}$$



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Let  $(X, d)$  be a finite metric space.

Family of relations given by  $R_t = \{(x, y) \in X \times X \mid d(x, y) \leq t\}$ .

$$d(x, y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = y \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad R_0 \text{ is the diagonal relation} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad I \in \mathcal{V}_0$$

$$d(x, y) = d(y, x) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad R_t = R_t^T \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathcal{V}_t^* = \mathcal{V}_t$$

$$d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad R_s R_t \subseteq R_{s+t} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathcal{V}_s \mathcal{V}_t \subseteq \mathcal{V}_{s+t}$$

### Definition (Kuperberg-Weaver)

A **quantum metric space** of a von Neumann algebra  $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  is a one-parameter family of weak\* closed operator systems  $\mathcal{V}_t \subseteq \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ ,  $t \in [0, \infty)$  s.t.

1.  $\mathcal{V}_s \mathcal{V}_t \subseteq \mathcal{V}_{s+t}$  for all  $s, t \geq 0$
2.  $\mathcal{V}_t = \bigcap_{s>t} \mathcal{V}_s$  for all  $t \geq 0$
3.  $\mathcal{V}_0 = \mathcal{M}'$  where  $\mathcal{M}'$  is the commutant of  $\mathcal{M}$

## Quantum Metric Space

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### classical case

Let  $(X, d)$  be a (classical) finite metric space.

Take the algebra  $\mathcal{M} = \ell^\infty(X)$  of bounded multiplication operators on  $\mathcal{H} = \ell^2(X)$ , where  $\mathcal{H}$  has standard basis  $\{e_x\}_{x \in X}$ .

i.e.,  $f \in \mathcal{M} \subseteq B(\ell^2(X))$  acts as  $(M_f g)(x) = f(x)g(x)$ .

We define  $\mathcal{V}_t^X$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{V}_t^X &:= \{A \in B(\ell^2(X)) \mid \langle Ae_y, e_x \rangle = 0 \text{ if } d(x, y) > t\} \\ &= \text{span}\{V_{xy} \in B(\ell^2(X)) \mid d(x, y) \leq t\} \text{ where } V_{xy} : g \mapsto \langle g, e_y \rangle e_x \end{aligned}$$

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0. If  $\mathcal{M}' \subseteq \text{span}\{V_{xy} \in B(\ell^2(X)) \mid d(x, y) \leq t\}$  and  $\mathcal{M}$  algebra then

Conversely, if  $\mathcal{M}' \subseteq \text{span}\{V_{xy} \in B(\ell^2(X)) \mid d(x, y) \leq t\}$  for all  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$  then  $\mathcal{M}' \subseteq \mathcal{V}_t^X$  for all  $t \geq 0$ .

# Quantum Metric Space

## Theorem

Conversely, if  $\mathcal{V}_t$  is a quantum metric on  $\mathcal{M} = \ell^\infty(X)$ , then

$$d(x, y) := \inf\{t \mid \exists A \in \mathcal{V}_t \text{ s.t. } \langle Ae_y, e_x \rangle \neq 0\}$$

is a metric on  $X$ .

# Banica's quantum isometry group

## Definition (Banica)

Take a (classical) finite metric space  $(X, d)$  with  $|X| = n$  and let  $D = [d(x, y)]_{x, y \in X}$  be the  $n \times n$  distance matrix.

The **quantum isometry group** (or quantum symmetry group of the metric space) to be

$$G^+(X, d) = C(S_n^+) / \langle UD = DU \rangle$$

i.e. the quotient of  $C(S_n^+)$  by the ideal generated by the relations  $UD = DU$ .

**Goal:** capture Banica's definition  $G^+$  using K-W quantum metric spaces

## Definition

Consider two q. metric space  $(\mathcal{M}_1, \mathcal{V}_t)$  and  $(\mathcal{M}_2, \mathcal{W}_t)$  with fixed ONB bases  $\{e_j\}$  for  $\mathcal{M}_1$  and  $\{f_k\}$  for  $\mathcal{M}_2$ .

We define the **quantum isometry group between quantum metric spaces**,  $G^{\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{W}}$ , to be the universal c.q.g. generated by  $P = [p_{ij}] \in C(G^{\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{W}}) \otimes B(\mathcal{H}_1, \mathcal{H}_2)$  giving a unital  $*$ -homomorphism

$$\delta_{\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{W}} : \mathcal{M}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_2 \otimes C(G^{\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{W}})$$

$$e_j \mapsto \sum_k f_k \otimes p_{kj}$$

and ensuring the conjugation map given by

$$\alpha_{\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{W}} : B(\mathcal{H}_1) \rightarrow B(\mathcal{H}_2) \otimes C(G^{\mathcal{V}})$$

$$T \mapsto P(T \otimes 1)P^*$$

leaves  $\mathcal{V}_t$  invariant, i.e.  $\alpha_{\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{V}_t) \subseteq \mathcal{W}_t \otimes C(G^{\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{W}})$  for all  $t$ .

### Theorem (E. '20)

Let  $(X, d)$  be a (classical) finite metric space, set  $\mathcal{M} = \ell^\infty(X)$ , and let  $\mathcal{H} = \ell^2(X)$ . Let  $\mathcal{V}_t^X$  be the standard construction of the K-W quantum metric.

Then  $G^+(X, d) \cong G^{\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{V}}$ .



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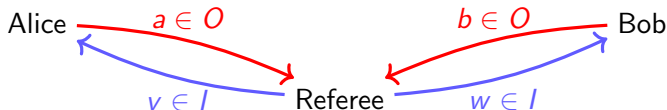
The players, Alice and Bob, know the game they are playing and may agree on a strategy before gameplay begins.

One round of the game will look like:

- ▶ the referee asks questions  $v$  and  $w$  to Alice and Bob, respectively
- ▶ without communicating, Alice and Bob reply with  $a$  and  $b$
- ▶ the referee determines if Alice and Bob win that round

**Goal:** Win every round of the game

## Non-local Games



The **synchronous non-local game** is given by  $G = (I, O, \lambda)$ .

The set  $I$  represents the **inputs** (questions) that the players Alice and Bob can receive. The set  $O$  represents the **outputs** (answers) that Alice and Bob can produce.

The rules of the game are represented by the function

$$\lambda : I \times I \times O \times O \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$$

They **win** the game if  $\lambda(v, w, a, b) = 1$  and **lose** otherwise.

Each game must satisfy  $\lambda(v, v, a, b) = \delta_{a,b}$ .

## Game Strategies

A **deterministic strategy** for a game is a function  $h : I \rightarrow O$  such that if Alice (or Bob) receives input  $v$ , they answer output  $h(v)$ .

A strategy is called **random** if during different rounds of the game, Alice and Bob receive inputs  $v$  and  $w$  and answer different outputs. We may observe the game and get the conditional probabilities  $p(a, b|v, w)$ .

A strategy is **perfect** if  $\lambda(v, w, a, b) = 0 \Rightarrow p(a, b|v, w) = 0$ .

## The Metric Isometry Game

Let  $(X, d_X)$  and  $(Y, d_Y)$  be two metric spaces,  $X \sqcup Y = I = O$ . The rule function satisfies  $\lambda(x_A, x_B, y_A, y_B) = 1$  if and only if the following conditions are met:

- ▶  $x_A$  and  $y_A$  belong to different spaces
- ▶  $x_B$  and  $y_B$  belong to different spaces
- ▶ if  $x_A$  and  $x_B$  are from the same space then  $d.(x_A, x_B) = d.(y_A, y_B)$
- ▶ if  $x_A$  and  $x_B$  are from different spaces then  $x_A = y_B$  if and only if  $x_B = y_A$

### Proposition (E.)

There exists a perfect (classical) strategy  $\Leftrightarrow X$  is isometric to  $Y$

## Classical Strategy vs Quantum Strategy

A **classical strategy** for a non-local game is one in which the only resource available to the players is shared randomness (i.e. shared probability space).

In a **quantum strategy**, the players are allowed to perform local quantum measurements on a shared entangled state.

There are several different mathematical models to describe  $p(a, b|x, y)$ . For  $|I| = n$ ,  $|O| = k$  let  $C_t(n, k)$  be the set of conditional probabilities in model  $t$ .

$$C_{\text{classical}}(n, k) \subseteq C_{qc}(n, k) \subseteq M_{nk}(\mathbb{C}).$$

qc = quantum commuting

## Quantum Strategies

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- ▶  $C_{\text{classical}}(n, k)$  is the set of conditional probabilities  $p(a, b|v, w)$  which arise from Alice and Bob sharing a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathbf{P})$  each having random variables  $f_{\omega,A}, g_{\omega,B} : I \rightarrow O$  with

$$p(a, b|v, w) = \mathbf{P}(\omega \in \Omega \mid f_{\omega,A}(v) = a, g_{\omega,B}(w) = b).$$

- ▶ in  $C_{qc}(n, k)$ , there is a Hilbert space  $H$  on which Alice and Bob are allowed to make measurements, and a shared state  $\psi \in \mathcal{H}$ . Alice has orthogonal projections  $e_{v,a} \in B(H)$  satisfying  $\sum_a e_{v,a} = \text{id}_H$  (Bob has  $f_{w,b} \in B(H)$  satisfying  $\sum_b f_{w,b} = \text{id}_H$ ) such that

$$p(a, b|x, y) = \langle e_{v,a} f_{w,b} \psi, \psi \rangle$$

## The Game $\ast$ -algebra

We define the  $\ast$ -algebra of a synchronous game  $G$ ,  $\mathcal{A}(G)$ , to be defined as the quotient of the free  $\ast$ -algebra generated by  $\{e_{v,a} \mid v \in I, a \in O\}$  subject to the relations

- ▶  $e_{v,a} = e_{v,a}^*$
- ▶  $e_{v,a} = e_{v,a}^2$
- ▶  $1 = \sum_a e_{v,a}$
- ▶  $e_{v,a}e_{w,b} = 0$  for all  $v, w, a, b$  such that  $\lambda(v, w, a, b) = 0$



# The Game $*$ -algebra

## Theorem (Helton-Meyer-Paulsen-Satriano, Kim-Paulsen-Schafhauser)

For a synchronous game  $G$ ,

- ▶  $G$  has a perfect deterministic strategy  $\Leftrightarrow G$  has a perfect classical strategy  $\Leftrightarrow$  there exists a unital  $*$ -homomorphism from  $\mathcal{A}(G)$  to  $\mathbb{C}$
- ▶  $G$  has a perfect qc-strategy  $\Leftrightarrow$  there exists a unital  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{C}$  with a faithful trace and a unital  $*$ -homomorphism  $\pi : \mathcal{A}(G) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$

## The Game $*$ -algebra

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Consider the metric isometry game.

Then the game  $*$ -algebra for the metric isometry game,

$\mathcal{A}(\text{Isom}(X, Y))$ , is the  $*$ -algebra generated by

$\{e_{x,y} \mid x \in X, y \in Y\}$  subject to the relations that  $U = [e_{x,y}]$  is a magic unitary matrix with

$$(1 \otimes D_X)U = U(1 \otimes D_Y)$$

### Theorem (E.)

For classical metric spaces  $(X, d_X)$  and  $(Y, d_Y)$ , and their corresponding quantum metric spaces  $(\ell^\infty(X), \mathcal{V}_t)$  and  $(\ell^\infty(Y), \mathcal{W}_t)$ , we have  $C(G^{\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{W}}) = \mathcal{A}(\text{Isom}(X, Y))$ .

# The Game $*$ -algebra

## Theorem (E.)

Given two classical metric spaces  $(X, d_X)$  and  $(Y, d_Y)$ , TFAE:

- ▶  $\mathcal{A}(\text{Isom}(X, Y)) \neq 0$
- ▶  $\mathcal{A}(\text{Isom}(X, Y))$  admits a non-zero  $C^*$ -representation
- ▶ The metric isometry game has a perfect quantum-commuting (qc)-strategy,  $X \cong_{qc} Y$

Thank you!