

Some Generalizations of Cartan Inclusions

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Outline

- A bit of motivation
- Background on Inclusions and their dynamics
- Cartan Inclusions, their groupoid models and other nice properties
- Examples of non-Cartan inclusions

The generalizations I'll discuss are:

- Γ -Cartan inclusions (joint with Brown, Fuller, Reznikoff)
- Weak Cartan Inclusions (joint with Exel)
- Pseudo-Cartan Inclusions

Some Motivation: W^* -Cartan pairs

In 1977, Feldman & Moore defined notion of a Cartan MASA $\mathcal{D} \simeq L^\infty(X, \mu)$ in a W^* -algebra $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{B}(\ell^2(\mathbb{N}))$ & showed:

- a) \exists Borel equiv. relation R on X with countable equiv. classes & a 2-cocycle σ on R s.t.

$$\mathcal{M} \simeq \mathbf{M}(R, \sigma) \text{ \& } \mathcal{D} \simeq \mathbf{A}(R, \sigma),$$

where $\mathbf{M}(R, \sigma)$ are “functions on R ” & $\mathbf{A}(R, \sigma)$ are the “functions” supported on $\text{diag. } \{(x, x) : x \in X\}$;

- b) \exists bijection between (unitary) equivalence classes of such $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{D})$ and relations (R, σ) (up to Borel iso).

Hugely influential: allows \mathcal{M} to be viewed as a “fancy matrix algebra”.

Kumjian ('86) & then Renault ('08) sought a C^* -algebraic version.

Definition

An **inclusion** is a pair of C^* -algebras $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ with $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ and \mathcal{D} abelian.

In this generality, wild behavior can happen. Here are restrictions which rule out some bad behavior.

Some Non-degeneracy Conditions

- 1 $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is **unital** if \mathcal{C} unital & \mathcal{D} contains the unit of \mathcal{C} .
- 2 $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ has the **approximate unit property (AUP)** if \mathcal{D} contains an approximate unit for \mathcal{C} . (Sometimes called non-degenerate.)
- 3 $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is **weakly non-degenerate (WND)** if

$$\text{Ann}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}) := \{c \in \mathcal{C} : dc = cd = 0 \forall d \in \mathcal{D}\} = \{0\}.$$

Easy to see $(1) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (3)$.

Also: $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ weakly non-deg. $\Rightarrow (\tilde{\mathcal{C}}, \tilde{\mathcal{D}})$ unital.

Some Notation

For the inclusion $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$, often write $X = \hat{\mathcal{D}}$ and for $d \in \mathcal{D}, x \in X$,

$$\langle d, x \rangle := \hat{d}(x).$$

Definition

An element $v \in \mathcal{C}$ is a **normalizer** if $v\mathcal{D}v^* \cup v^*\mathcal{D}v \subseteq \mathcal{D}$; write $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ for set of all normalizers.

Facts

① $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is a $*$ -semigroup.

Also for $v \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$:

② For all $d \in \mathcal{D}$, $vv^*d = dvv^* \in \mathcal{D}$;

③ $\overline{vv^*\mathcal{D}}$ and $\overline{v^*v\mathcal{D}}$ are closed ideals of \mathcal{D} .

④ $vv^*d \mapsto v^*dv$ uniquely extends to a $*$ -isomorphism

$$\theta_v : \overline{vv^*\mathcal{D}} \rightarrow \overline{v^*v\mathcal{D}}.$$

Then θ_v “dualizes” to a partial homeo β_v of X with

$$\begin{aligned}\text{dom } \beta_v &= \{x \in X : \langle v^* v, x \rangle \neq 0\} \\ \text{range } \beta_v &= \{x \in X : \langle v v^*, x \rangle \neq 0\}\end{aligned}$$

(Sometimes write $\text{dom } v, \text{range } v$ instead of $\text{dom } \beta_v, \text{range } \beta_v$.)

Have $\mathcal{W} := \{\beta_v : v \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})\}$ an inverse semigroup:

$\beta_v \circ \beta_w = \beta_{vw}$, $\beta_v^{-1} = \beta_{v^*}$, idempotents are $\{\beta_d : d \in \mathcal{D}\}$. This is the *Weyl semigroup*.

The Weyl Groupoid (inspired by groupoid of germs for \mathcal{W})

- Let $\mathfrak{W} := \{(v, x) : v \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}), x \in \text{dom } \beta_v\}$.
- For two elt's of \mathfrak{W} , say $(v_1, x_1) \sim (v_2, x_2)$ iff $x_1 = x_2 := x$, $\exists d_i \in \mathcal{D}$ s.t. $\langle d_i, x \rangle \neq 0$ & $v_1 d_1 = v_2 d_2$. (Equiv. pairs $\implies v_2^* v_1 d_1 = v_2^* v_2 d_2 \in \mathcal{D}$, so $\text{germ}_x(\beta_{v_1}) = \text{germ}_x(\beta_{v_2})$)
- Set $G := \mathfrak{W} / \sim$. Write $[v, x]$ for equiv class of (v, x) .

Fact

Define

- $[v_1, x_1][v_2, x_2] = [v_1 v_2, x_2]$ if $\beta_{v_2}(x_2) = x_1$ &
- $[v, x]^{-1} = [v^*, \beta_v(x)]$.

With the topology generated by the sets

$\Omega(v, U) := \{[v, x] : x \in U^{\text{open}} \subseteq \text{dom } \beta_v\}$, G becomes a locally compact étale topological groupoid, with $G^{(0)} = X$, (G not necessarily Hausdorff.)

G is the **Weyl groupoid** of $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$.

Assumption

All groupoids G will be locally compact, étale, with $G^{(0)}$ Hausdorff.

The Fell Line Bundle Over G

An Equiv Relation on $\mathbb{C} \times \mathfrak{D}$

For $i = 1, 2$, say $(\lambda_1, v_1, x_1) \sim (\lambda_2, v_2, x_2)$ if $x_1 = x_2 =: x$,
 $\exists d_i \in \mathcal{D}$ with $\langle d_i, x \rangle \neq 0$, $v_1 d_1 = v_2 d_2$ & $\frac{\lambda_1}{\langle d_1, x \rangle} = \frac{\lambda_2}{\langle d_2, x \rangle}$.

Put $\mathcal{L} := \{[\lambda, v, x]\}$ set of equiv classes & set

$$[\lambda_1, v_1, \beta_{v_2}(x)][\lambda_2, v_2, x] := [\lambda_1 \lambda_2, v_1 v_2, x] \quad \text{and} \\ [\lambda, v, x]^* := [\bar{\lambda}, v^*, \beta_v(x)].$$

Topologize with smallest topology making each of the sections,
 $G \ni [v, x] \mapsto [f(x), v, x]$, $f \in M(\text{dom } v)$ continuous.

Fact

This makes \mathcal{L} into a Fell line bundle over G .

Can also do this using a suitable $*$ -semigroup $N \subseteq \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$.



Fell Line Bundles \simeq Twists

Fell line bundles over G are equivalent to central groupoid extensions

$$\mathbb{T} \times G^{(0)} \xhookrightarrow{i} \Sigma \xrightarrow{q} G$$

Given a Fell line bundle \mathcal{L} over the groupoid G , call the pair (\mathcal{L}, G) a **twist** and sometimes write (Σ, G) instead.

We'll use whichever viewpoint is convenient.

When \mathcal{L} and G arise from an inclusion $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ as above, call (\mathcal{L}, G) (or (Σ, G)) the **Weyl twist** for $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$.

The Convolution Algebra

Can construct: a $*$ -algebra $C_c(\mathcal{L}, G)$ (with a convolution product) of certain continuous compactly supported sections of \mathcal{L} .

$C_c(\mathcal{L}, G)$ admits various C^* -seminorms, and let $C_\eta^*(\mathcal{L}, G)$ be completion of $C_c(\mathcal{L}, G)/N_\eta$ under a C^* -seminorm η satisfying

$$\eta|_{C_c(G^{(0)})} = \|\cdot\|_{C_0(G^{(0)})}.$$

Call such a seminorm **nice**.

Get an inclusion $(C_\eta^*(\mathcal{L}, G), C_0(G^{(0)}))$.

Given the inclusion $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$:

- construct Weyl Twist (\mathcal{L}, G) as above;
- form $(C_\eta^*(\mathcal{L}, G), C_0(G^{(0)}))$

HOPE: $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ and $(C_\eta^*(\mathcal{L}, G), C_0(G^{(0)}))$ are closely related, ideally isomorphic.

Regular Inclusions

It is possible for $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}) = \mathcal{D}$, in which case $G = \hat{\mathcal{D}} = G^{(0)}$, and $\mathcal{L} = \mathbb{C} \times G^{(0)}$ is the trivial line bundle.

So if $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is too small, there's not much hope of using (\mathcal{L}, G) to analyze \mathcal{C} .

Definition

The inclusion $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is **regular** when $\overline{\text{span}} \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}) = \mathcal{C}$.

Cartan Inclusions

Definition (Renault, following Kumjian & Feldman-Moore)

A **regular** incl'n $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is a **Cartan pair** or a **Cartan inclusion** if

- \mathcal{D} is a MASA in \mathcal{C} ; and
- \exists faith. cond. expectation $\mathbb{E} : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$.

(Regular MASA incl'ns automatically have AUP.)

A **C^* -diagonal** is a Cartan incl'n having unique extension prop.
(Kumjian's original axioms differ.)

Examples

- If $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{D}$ abelian, $\Rightarrow (\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D})$ Cartan.
- $(M_n(\mathbb{C}), \text{Diag}_n(\mathbb{C}))$ (prototype example)
- X – loc. compact T_2 , Γ a discrete gp. acting top. freely on X .
Then $(C_0(X) \rtimes_r \Gamma, C_0(X))$ a Cartan pair.
- Some graph C^* -algebras have Cartan MASAs, e.g.
 $(\mathcal{O}_n, C^*(\{w(S)w(S)^*\}))$ a Cartan pair.

Hope Fulfilled for Cartan inclusions

The nicest property of Cartan inclusions is that they're the C^* -version of the W^* -Cartan subalgebras of Feldman-Moore:

Theorem (Renault '08)

- Let $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ be Cartan with Weyl twist (\mathcal{L}, G) . Then
$$(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}) \simeq (C_r^*(\mathcal{L}, G), C_0(G^{(0)}))$$
.
- Suppose G is a Hausdorff, étale, effective groupoid and \mathcal{L} a Fell line bundle over G . Then
$$(C_r^*(\mathcal{L}, G), C_0(G^{(0)}))$$
is a Cartan pair.

Remark: Renault assumed separability of C^* -algebras & 2nd countability for groupoids; those assumptions are unnecessary (Raad '22).

Other nice properties of Cartan Inclusions

Let $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ be Cartan.

- \mathcal{C} unital, nuclear, separable $\Rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ has UCT (Barkak-Li)—this is important for classification theory.
- If $N \subseteq \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ a $*$ -semigroup with $\mathcal{D} \subseteq N$ & $\overline{\text{span}}N = \mathcal{C}$, then $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{C}}$ is the smallest C^* -norm on $\text{span } N$ (P).
- If $J \trianglelefteq \mathcal{C}$ is regular, then $(\mathcal{C}/J, \mathcal{D}/(\mathcal{D} \cap J))$ is also Cartan. (Brown-Fuller-P-Reznikoff '24)
- If $\mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{A}_2$ algebras (need not be C^* -algebras) with

$$\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathcal{A}_i \subseteq \mathcal{C},$$

any isometric isomorphism $\theta : \mathcal{A}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_2$ uniquely extends to a $*$ -iso $\tilde{\theta} : C^*(\mathcal{A}_1) \rightarrow C^*(\mathcal{A}_2)$ (P, following ideas of Donsig-P, & Zarikian).

We now move away from the Cartan setting. First some examples.

Examples (of non-Cartan inclusions)

- Let $\mathcal{C} = C([0, 1])$ & $\mathcal{D} = \{f \in \mathcal{C} : f(0) = f(1)\} \simeq C(\mathbb{T})$. Then $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ a regular non-MASA incln', and \exists conditional expect. of $C([0, 1])$ onto $C(\mathbb{T})$.
- Let $\mathcal{C} = C([-1, 1], M_2(\mathbb{C}))$ and

$$\mathcal{D} = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{C} : \begin{array}{l} f(t) \in C^*\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) \text{ for } t < 0, \\ f(t) \in C^*\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}\right) \text{ for } t > 0. \end{array} \right\}.$$

Then $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ a reg. MASA incl'n, and $\exists \mathbb{E} : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$.
(Consider $f(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ for $-1 \leq t \leq 1$.)

Beyond Cartan Inclusions

Next we discuss some classes of inclusions $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ where

- \mathcal{D} not a MASA and/or
- there is no conditional expectation.

First we consider a setting where the MASA condition is relaxed, but there is a faithful conditional expectation.

Γ -Cartan Inclusions (with Brown, Fuller & Reznikoff)

Suppose Γ is a discrete abelian group such that $\hat{\Gamma}$ acts (strongly) on the C^* -algebra \mathcal{A} , with fixed point algebra $\mathcal{A}^{\hat{\Gamma}}$.

$$\hat{\Gamma} \ni \omega \mapsto \alpha_\omega \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{A}).$$

Call $a \in \mathcal{A}$ **homogeneous of degree $t \in \Gamma$** if $\alpha_\omega(a) = \langle \omega, t \rangle a$ for $\omega \in \hat{\Gamma}$.

Definition (Brown-Fuller-P-Reznikoff '21)

The inclusion $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D})$ is called a **Γ -Cartan pair** if:

(i) $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathcal{A}^{\hat{\Gamma}}$, (ii) $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D})$ is regular, & (iii) $(\mathcal{A}^{\hat{\Gamma}}, \mathcal{D})$ is a Cartan pair.

A Non-MASA Example: $\mathbb{T} \curvearrowright C(\mathbb{T})$ (rotation), so $(C(\mathbb{T}), \mathbb{C}I)$ is \mathbb{Z} -Cartan.

Fact

Let $\mathcal{N}_h(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D})$ denote the homogeneous normalizers. Then $\mathcal{N}_h(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D})$ is a $*$ -semigroup & $\overline{\text{span}} \mathcal{N}_h(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D}) = \mathcal{A}$.

A Groupoid Model for Γ -Cartan Inclusions

Theorem (BFPR)

- 1 Let $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D})$ be Γ -Cartan. The Weyl twist constructed using $\mathcal{N}_h(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D})$ is Hausdorff and \exists continuous homomorphisms $c_\Sigma : \Sigma \rightarrow \Gamma$ and $c_G : G \rightarrow \Gamma$ and a “graded twist”

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbb{T} \times G^{(0)} & \longrightarrow & \Sigma & \longrightarrow & G \\ & & & \searrow & \downarrow c_G \\ & & & c_\Sigma & \Gamma. \end{array} \quad (1)$$

- 2 Every graded twist as in (1) yields a Γ -Cartan inclusion $(C_r^*(\Sigma, G), C_0(G^{(0)}))$.
- 3 If the graded twist (Γ, G) arises from a Γ -Cartan inclusion $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D})$, then $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D}) \simeq (C_r(\Sigma, G), C_0(G^{(0)}))$.

When there is no conditional expectation, the situation can get complicated.

An Issue for non-Cartan Regular MASA Inclusions

Theorem (P, maybe others?)

Let $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ be a (unital) regular MASA inclusion. Then the Weyl groupoid G is Hausdorff if and only if there exists a conditional expectation $E : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$.

Moral: For regular MASA inclusions, failure of Cartan due to lack of conditional expectation causes inconvenience: groupoid models are not T_2 .

What to do when Weyl Groupoid not Hausdorff?

Accept it: seek groupoid models for $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ using non-Hausdorff groupoids

Fight it: seek a Cartan inclusion $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ closely related to $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$.

Two of the generalizations of Cartan inclusions we'll discuss take these approaches.

Acceptance. Weak Cartan Inclusions (with Exel)

Weak Cartan inclusions: a setting where there are groupoid models with possibly non-Hausdorff groupoids

Background: Free Points & Smooth Elements

Let $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ be an inclusion, & put $X = \hat{\mathcal{D}}$ (the pure states on \mathcal{D}).

Definitions

- $x \in X$ is **free** if x uniquely extends to a state ϕ_x on \mathcal{C} . Let $F = \{\text{free points}\}$.
- If F is dense in X , $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is a **topologically free** inclusion.

Kumjian's C^* -diagonals have $F = X$ (by hypothesis), & (separable) Cartan inclusions are topologically free.

Definitions

Let $c \in \mathcal{C}$.

- $x \in X$ is **free relative to c** if ϕ_i ($i = 1, 2$) are states on \mathcal{C} extending x , then $\phi_1(c) = \phi_2(c)$. Put $F_c = \{\text{free points relative to } c\}$.
- c is **smooth** if $\text{int}(F_c)$ is dense in X .

FACT: $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ a MASA incl'n \Rightarrow every $v \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is smooth.

Definition

$(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is a **smooth inclusion** if \exists a $*$ -semigroup $N \subseteq \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ such that: each $v \in N$ is smooth and N is **generating** i.e. the \mathcal{D} -bimodule generated by N is dense in \mathcal{C} .

Reg. MASA inclusions are smooth: can take $N = \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$.

Theorem

Let $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ be a reg. incl'n and put

$$\mathfrak{G} := \{c \in \mathcal{C} : \phi_x(c^*c) = 0 \forall x \in F\}.$$

Then \mathfrak{G} is a closed 2-sided ideal in \mathcal{C} , the **grey ideal**.

In addition, if $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is **topologically free**, then

- 1 $\mathfrak{G} \cap \mathcal{D} = \{0\}$;
- 2 if $J \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ an ideal with $J \cap \mathcal{D} = \{0\}$, then $J \subseteq \mathfrak{G}$.

Weak Cartan Inclusions

Definition

The inclusion $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is a **weak Cartan inclusion** if it has the AUP and is a smooth inclusion with vanishing grey ideal.

- The vanishing of \mathfrak{G} is a replacement for faithfulness of the conditional expectation of Cartan inclusions.
- The examples above are weak Cartan inclusions.

Facts: For an inclusion $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ with AUP,

- *weak Cartan* \Rightarrow *regular (by def'n) & topologically free.*
- *smooth + top. free* \Rightarrow *$(\mathcal{C}/\mathfrak{G}, \mathcal{D})$ is weak Cartan.*

When \mathcal{C} is separable, $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ Cartan \implies weak-Cartan (not always true in non-separable case).

A Groupoid Model for Weak Cartan Inclusions

Theorem (Exel-P)

Let $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ be an inclusion, with \mathcal{C} separable.

- 1 Suppose $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is a weak Cartan inclusion & N is a generating $*$ -semigroup of smooth normalizers. Then
 - (a) the Weyl twist (\mathcal{L}_N, G_N) satisfies: G_N is 2nd countable & topologically free.^a
 - (b) There is a nice semi-norm $\|\cdot\|_{\text{ess}}$ on $C_c(\mathcal{L}_N, G_N)$ such that
$$(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}) \simeq (C_{\text{ess}}^*(\mathcal{L}_N, G_N), C_0(G^{(0)})).$$
- 2 If (\mathcal{L}, G) is a twist as in 1(a), $(C_{\text{ess}}^*(\mathcal{L}, G), C_0(G^{(0)}))$ is a weak-Cartan inclusion.

^a G is topologically free if $\{x \in G^{(0)} : \text{isotropy at } x \text{ is trivial}\}$ is dense in $G^{(0)}$.

Fight. Pseudo-Cartan Inclusions

We start by reframing Cartan inclusions.

Equivalent Description of Cartan Inclusions

Let $\mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$ be C^* -algebras. Use

$$\mathcal{B}^c := \mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{B}' \text{ (relative commutant).}$$

Also, say $\mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$ has the **ideal intersection property (iip)** if $J \triangleleft \mathcal{A}$ & $J \cap \mathcal{B} = \{0\} \implies J = \{0\}$.

Standard Axioms	Alternate Axioms
regular	regular
MASA	\mathcal{D}^c abelian & iip for $\underbrace{\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathcal{D}^c}_{iip} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ iip
\exists faithful cond. expect $E : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$	\exists cond. expect $E : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$

Fact [P '21]: The incl'n $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is Cartan iff either set of axioms hold.

Pseudo-Cartan Inclusions

Large families of non-Cartan regular inclusions arise if we omit the last of the alternate axioms.

Definition (P)

An inclusion $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is a **pseudo-Cartan inclusion** if

- 1 it is regular; and
- 2 \mathcal{D}^c is abelian & both $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathcal{D}^c$ and $\mathcal{D}^c \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ have the iip.

- While Cartan inclusions have the AUP, a pseudo-Cartan inclusion may not.
- However, every pseudo-Cartan inclusion is weakly non-degenerate.

Examples of Pseudo-Cartan Inclusions

Examples

- 1 Every Cartan inclusion is a pseudo-Cartan inclusion.
- 2 Every **virtual Cartan inclusion**, i.e. a reg. MASA inclusion with iip for $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$, is a pseudo-Cartan. (Introduced by P ('17), further studied by Taylor ('23) under name “essential Cartan inclusion”.)
- 3 Every weak-Cartan inclusion is a pseudo-Cartan inclusion.
- 4 The regular non-Cartan examples given above are all pseudo-Cartan inclusions.
- 5 If X, Y loc. compact Hausdorff & $C_0(X) \subseteq C_0(Y)$ has the ideal intersection property, then $(C_0(Y), C_0(X))$ is pseudo-Cartan.

In particular, $(C_b(X), C_0(X))$ is a pseudo-Cartan without AUP.

Approach: Try to embed a reg. incl'n into a Cartan inclusion.

Definition

Let $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ be an inclusion.

- 1 An **expansion** of $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is a triple $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} : \alpha)$ with $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ an incl'n & $\alpha : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ a $*$ -monomorphism satisfying $\alpha(\mathcal{D}) \subseteq \mathcal{B}$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{C} & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & \mathcal{A} \\ \uparrow \subseteq & & \uparrow \subseteq \\ \mathcal{D} & \xrightarrow{\alpha|_{\mathcal{D}}} & \mathcal{B} \end{array}$$

- 2 Call $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} : \alpha)$ a **regular expansion** if $\alpha : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ is a **regular map**, i.e. $\alpha(\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})) \subseteq \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$.

Embedding Theorem (P. 2012)

For a unital regular inclusion $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$, TFAE

- 1 $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ has a regular expansion $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} : \alpha)$ with $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ Cartan;
- 2 $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ has a regular expansion $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} : \alpha)$ with $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ a C^* -diagonal;
- 3 a certain ideal, $\text{Rad}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}) \trianglelefteq \mathcal{C}$, vanishes.

A **compatible state** for $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is a state with $|\rho(v)|^2 \in \{0, \rho(v^*v)\} \forall v \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ &
 $\text{Rad}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}) := \{x \in \mathcal{C} : \rho(x^*x) = 0 \forall \text{ compatible states}\}.$

While the embedding theorem is pleasant, there are problems:

- there may be many unrelated Cartan inclusions into which $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ regularly embeds;
- the Cartan inclusion constructed by the theorem may have little to do with the original incl'n.

Desirable types of expansions

The expansion $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} : \alpha)$ is

- a **Cartan expansion** if $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ Cartan.
- a **package** if it is regular and \exists faithful cond. expectation $\Delta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ & image of $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ **generates** $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$, i.e.

$$\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{C}^*(\Delta(\alpha(\mathcal{C}))) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{A} = \mathcal{C}^*(\alpha(\mathcal{C}), \mathcal{B})$$

(we're not assuming $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ is Cartan here);

- an **envelope** if it is a package & $\alpha(\mathcal{D}) \subseteq \mathcal{B}$ has the ideal intersection property;
- a **Cartan envelope** if an envelope & Cartan.

Some Properties of Cartan Envelopes

Let $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ be a regular inclusion and suppose $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} : \alpha)$ is a Cartan envelope for $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$.

Facts

- \mathcal{C} is simple if and only if \mathcal{A} is simple.
- \mathcal{C} is separable if and only if \mathcal{A} is separable.

It would be nice to know about nuclearity:

Conjecture

\mathcal{C} is nuclear if and only if \mathcal{A} is nuclear.

Next goal: Characterize the regular inclusions having a Cartan envelope.

Injective Envelopes for Abelian C^* -algebras

Recall: For any C^* -algebra \mathcal{A} :

- the **local multiplier algebra** is

$$M_{loc}(\mathcal{A}) = \varinjlim_{\substack{J \triangleleft \mathcal{A}, \\ J \text{ essential}}} M(J),$$

where ideals are partially ordered by reverse inclusion.

Since $\mathcal{A} \triangleleft \mathcal{A}$, get $\mathcal{A} \subseteq M_{loc}(\mathcal{A})$.

- When \mathcal{A} is abelian, $M_{loc}(\mathcal{A})$ is the injective envelope for \mathcal{A} (Frank-Paulsen). Also, $\mathcal{A} \subseteq M_{loc}(\mathcal{A})$ has iip.

For \mathcal{A} abelian, write $I(\mathcal{A})$ instead of $M_{loc}(\mathcal{A})$, and use $\iota : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow I(\mathcal{A})$ for the inclusion map.

Pseudo-Expectations

We saw examples of reg. inclusions with no cond. expectation.
Replacement: Pseudo-expectations.

Definition

A **pseudo-expectation** for the inclusion $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is a contractive completely positive linear map $E : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow I(\mathcal{D})$ with $E|_{\mathcal{D}} = \iota$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{C} & & \\ \uparrow & \searrow E & \\ \mathcal{D} & \xrightarrow{\iota} & I(\mathcal{D}) \end{array}$$

Let $\text{PsE}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ be the set of all pseudo-expectations for $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$.
Since $I(\mathcal{D})$ injective, pseudo-expectations always exist.

Unique Pseudo-Expectations

Usually $\text{PsE}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is large: when \mathcal{C} unital, $\text{PsE}(\mathcal{C}, \mathbb{C}I) = \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{C})$.

Definition

Let $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ be an inclusion.

- 1 $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ has the **unique pseudo-expectation property (!PsE)** if $\text{PsE}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is a singleton set.
- 2 If $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ has !PsE and the Ps.E. is faithful, it has the **faithful unique pseudo-expectation property (f!PsE)**.

Theorem (P)

Every regular MASA inclusion has !PsE.

Examples show the pseudo-expectation for a regular MASA inclusion need not be faithful.

Characterization of Reg. Incln's with Cartan Envelopes

Theorem

For a regular inclusion $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$, TFAE

- 1 $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ has a Cartan envelope;
- 2 $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is a pseudo-Cartan inclusion.
- 3 $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ has f!PsE;

When any of (1)–(3) hold, have:

Uniqueness If for $i = 1, 2$, $(\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{B}_i : \alpha_i)$ are Cartan envelopes for $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$, $\exists!$ *-isomorph $\psi : (\mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{B}_1) \rightarrow (\mathcal{A}_2, \mathcal{B}_2)$ s.t. $\psi \circ \alpha_1 = \alpha_2$.

Minimality If $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} : \alpha)$ is a Cartan pkg for $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$, \exists ideal $J \trianglelefteq \mathcal{A}$ s.t. $J \cap \alpha(\mathcal{C}) = \{0\}$ and $(\mathcal{A}/J, \mathcal{B}/(J \cap \mathcal{B}) : q \circ \alpha)$ is a Cartan env. for $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$; (q is quot. map).

Cartan Envelopes for (the regular) Examples Above

- 1 For $(C([0, 1]), C(\mathbb{T}))$, Cartan env. is $(C([0, 1]), C([0, 1]))$: inclusion map).
- 2 The Cartan envelope for $\mathcal{C} = C([-1, 1]), M_2(\mathbb{C})$ and

$$\mathcal{D} = \{f \in \mathcal{C} : f(t) \in C^*\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) \text{ for } t < 0, \\ f(t) \in C^*\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}\right) \text{ for } t > 0\}$$

is $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} : \alpha)$ where:

$$\mathcal{A} = C([-1, 0], M_2) \oplus C([0, 1], M_2)$$

$$\mathcal{B} = C([-1, 0], C^*\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)) \oplus C([0, 1], C^*\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}\right))$$

$$\alpha(f) = f|_{[-1,0]} \oplus f|_{[0,1]} \quad (f \in \mathcal{C}).$$

Building Pseudo-Cartan Incl'n's from a Cartan Incl'n

Let $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ be Cartan with cond. exp. $\Delta : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$. Suppose

- $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathcal{B}$ has the iip; and
- $\mathcal{C} := \overline{\text{span } \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D})}$. (\mathcal{C} can be smaller than \mathcal{A} .)

Theorem

$(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is a pseudo-Cartan inclusion. Also, if

$$\mathcal{B}' = C^*(\Delta(\mathcal{C})) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{A}' := C^*(\mathcal{B}' \cup \mathcal{C}),$$

then $(\mathcal{A}', \mathcal{B}' \subseteq)$ is a Cartan envelope for $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$.

Remarks:

- $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{D})$ may have little relationship to $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$;
- $\mathcal{B}' \subseteq \mathcal{B}$, and may be a proper inclusion.

Two (maybe naive) Questions

By the embedding theorem, every unital pseudo-Cartan inclusion regularly embeds into a C^* -diagonal. Not all Cartan inclusions are C^* -diagonals, so we ask:

Question 1

Given a pseudo-Cartan inclusion $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ with Cartan envelope $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} : \alpha)$, when must $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ be a C^ -diagonal (and not just Cartan)?*

There's been recent interest in finding Cartan MASAs in C^* -algebras.

Question 2

Suppose $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is pseudo-Cartan. Must \mathcal{C} contain a Cartan MASA? If so, is there a construction?

A Groupoid Description for the Cartan Envelope

The Twist for the Cartan Envelope

Suppose $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is a pseudo-Cartan inclusion and let $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} : \alpha)$ be a Cartan envelope for $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$.

Goal

Describe the central extension

$$\mathbb{T} \times G^{(0)} \hookrightarrow \Sigma \twoheadrightarrow G$$

associated to $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ in terms of data coming as directly from $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ as possible.

Idea: Follow Kumjian's approach to the twist for C^* -diagonals, using the pseudo-expectation instead of the (possibly non-existent) conditional expectation.

Let $E : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow I(\mathcal{D})$ be the pseudo-expectation.

- 1 The functionals

$$\{\sigma \circ E : \sigma \in \widehat{I(\mathcal{D})}\}$$

form the unit space, $G^{(0)} \simeq \Sigma^{(0)}$.

- 2 For $v \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$, $f \in G^{(0)}$, such that $f(v^*v) \neq 0$, & $c \in \mathcal{C}$, put

$$[v, f](c) := \frac{f(v^*c)}{f(v^*v)^{1/2}}$$

and let

$$\Sigma := \{[v, f] : v \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D}), f \in G^{(0)}, f(v^*v) \neq 0\} \subseteq \mathcal{C}^\#.$$

- 3 $G = \{|\phi| : \phi \in \Sigma\}$

Equip with topology of pointwise convergence. Get twist

$$\mathbb{T} \times G^{(0)} \xhookrightarrow{i} \Sigma \xrightarrow{q} G.$$

Note: G is Hausdorff.

Groupoid Description of the Cartan Envelope

Theorem

Suppose $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$ is a pseudo-Cartan inclusion. As above, form central extension

$$\mathbb{T} \times G^{(0)} \hookrightarrow \Sigma \twoheadrightarrow G.$$

Define a “Gelfand” map, $g : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow C(\Sigma)$ by

$$g(c)(\phi) := \phi(c) \quad c \in \mathcal{C}, \phi \in \Sigma.$$

Let $\mathcal{C}_c := \{c \in \mathcal{C} : \text{supp}(g(c)) \text{ is compact}\}$ (a dense $*$ -subalg). Then $g|_{\mathcal{C}_c} : \mathcal{C}_c \rightarrow C_c(\Sigma)$ is a $*$ -monomorphism which extends to uniquely to a $*$ -monomorphism

$$\alpha : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow C_r^*(\Sigma, G)$$

and $(C_r^*(\Sigma, G), C_0(G^{(0)})) : \alpha$ is a Cartan envelope for $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$.

A Question

Suppose: G is a 2nd-countable, topologically free, not-necessarily Hausdorff groupoid.

- Given a Fell line bundle \mathcal{L} over G , form the weak-Cartan inclusion $(C_{\text{ess}}^*(\mathcal{L}, G), C_0(G^{(0)}))$. This is a pseudo-Cartan inclusion.
- Let $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} : \alpha)$ be a Cartan envelope for $(C_{\text{ess}}^*(\mathcal{L}, G), C_0(G^{(0)}))$. Let $(\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{A}}, G_{\mathcal{A}})$ be the Weyl twist for the Cartan inclusion $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$.

Question 3

*What, if any, is the relationship between (\mathcal{L}, G) and $(\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{A}}, G_{\mathcal{A}})$?
Does $G_{\mathcal{A}}$ depend on the choice of \mathcal{L} ?*

THANK YOU!