

# Hurewicz homomorphism of $C^*$ -algebras

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One has the **Hurewicz homomorphism**  $h_1 : \pi_1(\mathcal{X}, x_0) \rightarrow K^1(\mathcal{X})$  such that

$$h_{K^1}^{\text{top}} : \pi_1(\mathcal{X}, x_0) \cong [S^1, s_0; \mathcal{X}, x_0] \xrightarrow{K^1} \text{Hom}(K^1(C(S^1)), K^1(C(\mathcal{X}))) \xrightarrow{\phi} K^1(C(\mathcal{X})).$$

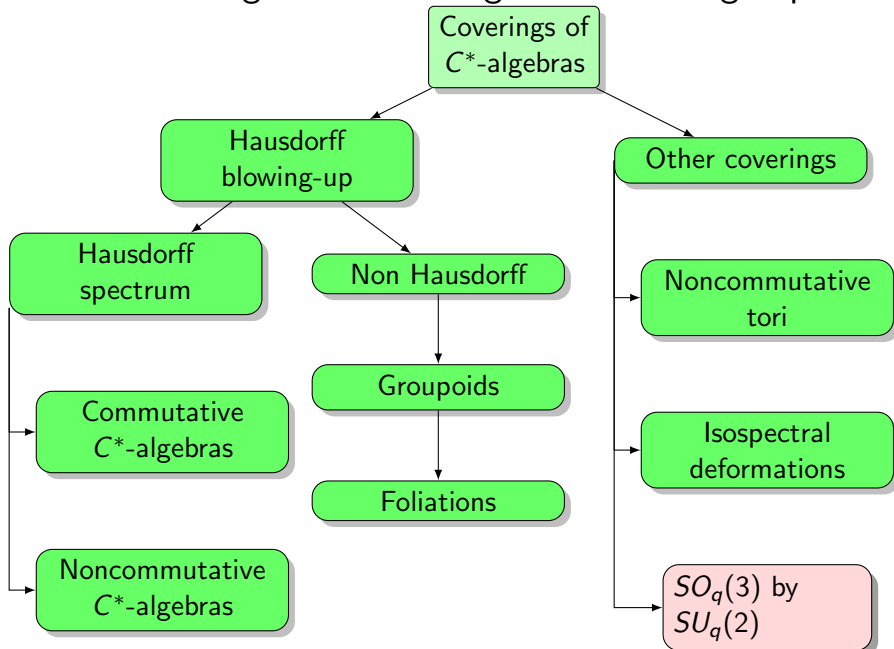
Let us describe  $h_{K^1}^{\text{top}}$  in details. The map  $K^1$  is a functor of  $K^1$ -homology. If the  $C^*$ -algebra  $C(S^1)$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra generated by a single unitary element  $u$ , then the group  $K^1(S^1)$  is generated by an element  $[u]$  which is represented by  $u$ .  $K^1(S^1)$  is a free Abelian group generated  $[K_{S^1}^1]$  which corresponds to the identical homomorphism

$$\text{Id}_{\mathbb{Z}} \in \text{Hom}(K^1(C(S^1) \cong \mathbb{Z}[u]), \mathbb{Z}).$$

The Hurewicz homomorphism is given by

$$h_{K^1}^{\text{top}} : \pi_1(\mathcal{X}, x_0) \rightarrow K^1(C(\mathcal{X})), \\ [\omega] \mapsto K^1(\omega)([K_{S^1}^1]).$$

# Known $C^*$ -algebras admitting fundamental group



# Finite-fold coverings

## Theorem

*Alexander Pavlov, Evgenij Troitsky. Suppose both  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  are compact Hausdorff connected spaces and  $p : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  is a continuous surjection. If  $C(\mathcal{Y})$  is a projective finitely generated Hilbert module over  $C(\mathcal{X})$  with respect to the action*

$$(f\xi)(y) = f(y)\xi(p(y)), \quad f \in C(\mathcal{Y}), \quad \xi \in C(\mathcal{X}),$$

*then  $p$  is a finite-fold covering.*

It is naturally to define a finite-fold covering of  $C^*$ -algebras as an injective  $*$ -homomorphism  $A \hookrightarrow \tilde{A}$  such that  $\tilde{A}$  is a finitely generated Hilbert module over  $A$ . However this definition does not gives good generalizations of results related to topological coverings.

## Definition

We say that a  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$  is **connected** if it cannot be represented as a direct sum  $A \cong A' \oplus A''$  of nontrivial  $C^*$ -algebras  $A'$  and  $A''$ .

## Definition

A connected closed two-sided ideal  $A$  of  $C^*$ -algebra  $B$  is said to be a **connected component of**  $B$  if there is a direct sum  $B = A \oplus A'$  of  $C^*$ -algebras.

## Definition

**Pet Ivankov.** Let  $\pi : A \hookrightarrow \tilde{A}$  be an injective  $*$ -homomorphism of connected  $C^*$ -algebras such that following conditions hold:

- (a) If  $\text{Aut}(\tilde{A})$  is a group of  $*$ -automorphisms of  $\tilde{A}$  then the group  $G \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left\{ g \in \text{Aut}(\tilde{A}) \mid g\pi(a) = \pi(a); \forall a \in A \right\}$  is finite.
- (b)

$$\pi(A) = \tilde{A}^G \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left\{ a \in \tilde{A} \mid a = ga; \forall g \in G \right\}.$$

We say that the quadruple  $(A, \tilde{A}, G, \pi)$  and/or  $*$ -homomorphism  $\pi : A \rightarrow \tilde{A}$  is a **noncommutative finite-fold pre-covering**.

## Definition

**Petr Ivankov** Let  $(A, \tilde{A}, G, \pi)$  be a noncommutative finite-fold pre-covering. Suppose both  $A$  and  $\tilde{A}$  are unital. We say that  $(A, \tilde{A}, G, \pi)$  is an **unital noncommutative finite-fold covering** if  $\tilde{A}$  is a finitely generated projective  $A$ -module.

## Lemma

**Petr Ivankov, Alexander Pavlov, Evgenij Troitsky.** If  $\mathcal{X}$  is a connected, compact, Hausdorff space then there is a natural 1-1 correspondence

$$(p : \tilde{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}) \leftrightarrow (C(\mathcal{X}), C(\tilde{\mathcal{X}}), G(\tilde{\mathcal{X}}|\mathcal{X}), C_0(p)).$$

between finite-fold transitive coverings of  $\mathcal{X}$  and unital noncommutative finite-fold coverings of  $C(\mathcal{X})$ .

A covering  $p : \tilde{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  is **transitive** if for all  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  the group  $G(\tilde{\mathcal{X}}|\mathcal{X})$  transitively acts on  $p^{-1}(x)$ .

## Definition

Let  $(A, \tilde{A}, G, \text{lift})$  be a noncommutative finite-fold pre-covering of  $C^*$ -algebras  $A$  and  $\tilde{A}$  such that following conditions hold:

- (a) There are unitizations  $A \hookrightarrow B$  and  $\tilde{A} \hookrightarrow \tilde{B}$  ;
- (b) There is a unital noncommutative finite-fold quasi-covering  $(B, \tilde{B}, G, \text{lift}^B)$  such that  $\text{lift} = \text{lift}^B|_A$  (or, equivalently  $\tilde{A}$  is the generated by  $A$  hereditary subalgebra of  $\tilde{B}$ ) and the action  $G \times \tilde{A} \rightarrow \tilde{A}$  comes from the  $G \times \tilde{B} \rightarrow \tilde{B}$  one.

We say that the triple  $(A, \tilde{A}, G)$  and/or the quadruple

$(A, \tilde{A}, G, \text{lift})$  and/or  $*$ -homomorphism  $\text{lift} : A \hookrightarrow \tilde{A}$  is a **noncommutative finite-fold covering with unitization**.



Roughly speaking the above Definition is an approximation of any covering by coverings with compact spaces. In result one has the following theorem.

### Theorem

*Petr Ivankov.* Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a connected, locally compact, Hausdorff space. If the quadruple  $(C_0(\mathcal{X}), \tilde{A}, G, \pi)$  is a noncommutative finite-fold covering then there is a connected space  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$  and a transitive finite-fold covering  $p: \tilde{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  such that  $(C_0(\mathcal{X}), \tilde{A}, G, \pi)$  is equivalent to  $(C_0(\mathcal{X}), C_0(\tilde{\mathcal{X}}), G(\tilde{\mathcal{X}} | \mathcal{X}), \pi)$

This Theorem has a Hausdorff blowing-up generalization.

# Infinite coverings

Let  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$  be a topological space with an action  $G \times \tilde{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{X}}$  of residually finite group  $G$  of properly discontinuous group of homeomorphisms. Let  $\mathcal{X} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \tilde{\mathcal{X}}/G$  and  $p : \tilde{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a natural covering. For any finite factor group  $G_\lambda = G/H_\lambda$  we define a space  $\mathcal{X}_\lambda \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \tilde{\mathcal{X}}/H_\lambda$ . Then there is a category of topological spaces and finite-fold transitive coverings given by

$$\mathfrak{S}_p \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left\{ \{ \mathcal{X}_\lambda \}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}, \{ p_\nu^\mu : \mathcal{X}_\mu \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_\nu \}_{\substack{\mu, \nu \in \Lambda \\ \mu \geq \nu}} \right\}. \quad (1)$$

Usage of the functor  $C_0$  yields a category of  $C^*$ -algebras and  $*$ -homomorphisms given by

$$\mathfrak{S}_{C_0(p)} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{ \{ C_0(p_\lambda) : C_0(\mathcal{X}) \hookrightarrow C_0(\mathcal{X}_\lambda) \}, \{ C_0(p_\nu^\mu) : C_0(\mathcal{X}_\mu) \hookrightarrow C_0(\mathcal{X}_\nu) \} \}.$$

If  $\widehat{G} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \varprojlim_{\lambda \in \Lambda} G(\mathcal{X}_\lambda \mid \mathcal{X})$  is an inverse limit of finite groups then the group  $\widehat{G}$  is profinite. One has  $\mathcal{X}_\lambda \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \widetilde{\mathcal{X}} / \ker \left( G(\widetilde{\mathcal{X}} \mid \mathcal{X}) \rightarrow G(\mathcal{X}_\lambda \mid \mathcal{X}) \right)$  and there is an inverse limit  $\widehat{\mathcal{X}} = \varprojlim_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mathcal{X}_\lambda$  of topological spaces. There is a natural continuous map  $\widetilde{\rho} : \widetilde{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \widehat{\mathcal{X}}$ . If we consider a final with respect to the family of maps  $\{g \circ \widetilde{\rho}\}_{g \in \widehat{G}}$  topology on  $\widehat{\mathcal{X}}$  then we obtain a topological space  $\overline{\mathcal{X}}$ .

## Lemma

*Under the above hypotheses the following conditions hold.*

- (i) *If  $\left\{ g_{\iota} G \left( \tilde{\mathcal{X}} \mid \mathcal{X} \right) \right\}_{\iota \in I}$  is a set of all left cosets of  $G \left( \tilde{\mathcal{X}} \mid \mathcal{X} \right)$  in  $\hat{G}$  then there is a natural homeomorphism*

$$\overline{\mathcal{X}} \cong \bigsqcup_{\iota \in I} g_{\iota} \tilde{\mathcal{X}}.$$

- (ii) *The natural map  $\tilde{p} : \tilde{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{X}}$  yields a natural inclusion  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}} \subset \overline{\mathcal{X}}$  such that  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$  is a quasi-component of  $\overline{\mathcal{X}}$ .*
- (iii) *For any a quasi-component  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}' \subset \overline{\mathcal{X}}$  there is  $g \in \hat{G}$  such that  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}' = g \tilde{\mathcal{X}}$ .*
- (iv) *For any  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  the natural surjective map  $\hat{p}_{\lambda} : \hat{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_{\lambda}$  yields a covering  $\bar{p}_{\lambda} : \overline{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_{\lambda}$  such that  $\mathcal{X}_{\lambda} \cong \overline{\mathcal{X}} / \ker \left( \hat{G} \rightarrow G_{\lambda} \right)$ .*
- (v) *There is a natural bijective continuous map  $\bar{p} : \overline{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{X}}$ .*

## Definition

Under the hypotheses of the above Lemma we say that the map  $\bar{p} : \bar{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  is the **disconnected covering of**  $p : \tilde{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ . The topological  $\bar{\mathcal{X}}\text{-}\widehat{G}$ -category  $\mathfrak{S}_p$  is the **finite covering category of**  $p : \tilde{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ . Write

$$\mathfrak{S}_p \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left\{ \{ \mathcal{X}_\lambda \}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}, \{ p_\nu^\mu : \mathcal{X}_\mu \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_\nu \}_{\substack{\mu, \nu \in \Lambda \\ \mu \geq \nu}} \right\}.$$

We say that  $p : \tilde{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  is the **covering inverse limit of**  $\mathfrak{S}_p$  and we write

$$\tilde{\mathcal{X}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \varprojlim \mathfrak{S}_p$$

If  $\widehat{G}$  is a profinite group then  $\widehat{G} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \varprojlim_{\lambda \in \Lambda} G_\lambda$  is an inverse limit of finite groups. The set  $\Lambda$  is directed. Indeed  $\Lambda$  is the  $\widehat{G}$ -set. Let  $\overline{A}$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra with an action  $\widehat{G} \times \overline{A} \rightarrow \overline{A}$  such that any  $g \in \widehat{G}$  yields an  $*$ -automorphism of  $\overline{A}$ . Suppose that for any element  $\overline{a} \in K(\overline{A})$  of the Pedersen's ideal of  $\overline{A}$  a series

$$\sum_{g \in \widehat{G}} g \overline{a}$$

is convergent with respect to the strict topology of  $M(\overline{A})$ . For any  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  denote by  $A_\lambda$  a generated by elements

$$a_\lambda = \beta\text{-} \sum_{g \in \ker(\widehat{G} \rightarrow G_\lambda)} g \overline{a} \quad (2)$$

$C^*$ -subalgebra of  $M(\overline{A})$ , where  $\beta\text{-}\sum$  means a convergence with respect to the strict topology of  $M(\overline{A})$ .

## Lemma

*Under the above hypotheses all  $\mu, \nu \in \Lambda$  such that  $\nu \geq \mu$  there is a natural noncommutative finite-fold quasi-covering  $(A_\mu, A_\nu, G_\nu/G_\mu, \pi_\nu^\mu)$ .*

## Definition

Under the above hypotheses  $\lambda_{\min} \in \Lambda$  is the minimal element and  $A \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} A_{\lambda_{\min}}$  then we say that the triple  $(A, \bar{A}, \widehat{G})$  is an **infinite quasi-covering**. We say that  $A_\lambda$  is the  $\lambda$ -**descent** of  $\bar{A}$ . The natural injective  $*$ -homomorphism  $\text{lift}_\lambda : A_\lambda \hookrightarrow M(\bar{A})$  is the  $\lambda$ -**lift**.

## Definition

It is proven that under the above hypotheses for all  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  there is a natural homomorphism of  $A_\lambda$ - $A_\lambda$ -bimodules given by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{desc}_\lambda : K(\bar{A}) &\rightarrow K(A_\lambda), \\ \bar{a} &\mapsto \beta\text{-} \sum_{g \in \ker(\widehat{G} \rightarrow G_\lambda)} g \bar{a} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\beta\text{-}\sum$  means the convergence with respect to the strict topology of  $M(\bar{A})$ . We denote this homomorphism as  $\text{desc}_\lambda$  and we say that it is the  $\lambda$ -**descent**.



## Definition

The above category is said to be an **algebraical finite covering category** if one has:

- (a) any  $\mathfrak{S}$ -morphism  $\pi_\nu^\mu : A_\mu \hookrightarrow A_\nu$  is a noncommutative finite-fold covering,
- (b) for all  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  is the  $\lambda$ -descent  $\mathfrak{desc}_\lambda : K(\overline{A}) \rightarrow K(A_\lambda)$  is surjective, i.e.  $\mathfrak{desc}_\lambda(K(\overline{A})) = K(A_\lambda)$ .

We write

$$\mathfrak{S} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left\{ \{A_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}, \{ \pi_\nu^\mu : A_\mu \hookrightarrow A_\nu \}_{\substack{\mu, \nu \in \Lambda \\ \mu \leq \nu}} \right\} \quad (3)$$

Moreover the given above infinite quasi-covering  $(A, \overline{A}, \widehat{G})$  is said to be a **pre-covering of the algebraical finite covering category**  $\mathfrak{S}$ .

It is not clear whether pre-covering of the algebraical finite covering category is always unique. So one needs the following definition.

### Definition

Roughly speaking the **disconnected infinite noncommutative covering** of  $\mathfrak{G} = \left\{ \{A_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}, \{\pi_\nu^\mu : A_\mu \hookrightarrow A_\nu\}_{\substack{\mu, \nu \in \Lambda \\ \mu \leq \nu}} \right\}$  is the union of all pre-coverings.

### Theorem

*For any algebraical finite covering category*

$\mathfrak{G} = \left\{ \{A_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}, \{\pi_\nu^\mu : A_\mu \hookrightarrow A_\nu\}_{\substack{\mu, \nu \in \Lambda \\ \mu \leq \nu}} \right\}$  *there is the unique disconnected infinite noncommutative covering.*

Let  $(A, \bar{A}, \hat{G})$  be a disconnected infinite noncommutative covering of  $\mathfrak{S} = \left\{ \{A_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}, \{\pi_\nu^\mu : A_\mu \hookrightarrow A_\nu\}_{\substack{\mu, \nu \in \Lambda \\ \mu \leq \nu}} \right\}$ . If  $\tilde{A}$  is a connected component of  $\bar{A}$ , i.e.  $\bar{A} = \tilde{A} \oplus \tilde{A}^\perp$ , and

$$G(\tilde{A} \mid A) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left\{ g \in \hat{G} \mid \forall \tilde{a}^\perp \in \tilde{A}^\perp \quad g\tilde{a}^\perp = \tilde{a}^\perp \right\}$$

then there is a natural action

$$G(\tilde{A} \mid A) \times \tilde{A} \rightarrow \tilde{A}.$$

## Definition

A disconnected infinite noncommutative covering  $(A, \bar{A}, \hat{G})$  be of  $\mathfrak{S}$  is **good** if following conditions hold:

- (a) if both  $\tilde{A}'$  and  $\tilde{A}''$  are connected components of  $\bar{A}$  then there is  $g \in \hat{G}$  such that  $g\tilde{A}' = \tilde{A}''$ ,
- (b) if  $\tilde{A}$  is a connected component of  $\bar{A}$  then for any  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  the restriction  $h_\lambda|_{\tilde{A}}$  is an epimorphism, i. e.  

$$h_\lambda \left( G(\tilde{A} \mid A) \right) = G(A_\lambda \mid A).$$

## Definition

If  $(A, \bar{A}, \widehat{G})$  is a good disconnected infinite noncommutative

covering of  $\mathfrak{S} = \left\{ \{A_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}, \{\pi_\nu^\mu : A_\mu \hookrightarrow A_\nu\}_{\substack{\mu, \nu \in \Lambda \\ \mu \leq \nu}} \right\}$  then a

connected component  $\tilde{A} \subset \bar{A}$  is said to be the **inverse**

**noncommutative limit of**  $\mathfrak{S} = \left\{ \{A_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}, \{\pi_\nu^\mu : A_\mu \hookrightarrow A_\nu\}_{\substack{\mu, \nu \in \Lambda \\ \mu \leq \nu}} \right\}$ .

The group  $G(\tilde{A} \mid A)$  is said to be the **covering transformation group**. The triple

$$(A, \tilde{A}, G(\tilde{A} \mid A))$$

is said to be the **infinite noncommutative covering** or the **covering** of

$$\mathfrak{S} = \left\{ \{A_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}, \{\pi_\nu^\mu : A_\mu \hookrightarrow A_\nu\}_{\substack{\mu, \nu \in \Lambda \\ \mu \leq \nu}} \right\}.$$

## Theorem

If one has

- ▶ the disconnected  $\bar{p} : \bar{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  covering of a covering  $p : \tilde{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  with connected  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$  and a residually finite covering group  $G(\tilde{\mathcal{X}} \mid \mathcal{X})$ ,
- ▶ the finite covering category  $\mathfrak{S}_p \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{ \{ \mathcal{X}_\lambda \}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}, \{ p_\nu^\mu : \mathcal{X}_\mu \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_\nu \} \}$  of  $p : \tilde{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ ,

then the given by

$$\mathfrak{S}_{C_0(p)} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{ \{ C_0(\mathcal{X}_\lambda) \}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}, \{ C_0(p_\nu^\mu) : C_0(\mathcal{X}_\mu) \hookrightarrow C_0(\mathcal{X}_\nu) \} \}$$

algebraic finite covering category is good and the triple

$$(C_0(\mathcal{X}), C_0(\tilde{\mathcal{X}}), G(\tilde{\mathcal{X}} \mid \mathcal{X}))$$

is the infinite noncommutative covering of  $\mathfrak{S}_{C_0(p)}$ .

There is Hausdorff blowing-up generalization of this theorem.

## Definition

Let  $A$  be a connected  $C^*$ -algebra, and let  $(A, \tilde{A}, G(\tilde{A} | A))$  be the infinite noncommutative covering of

$$\mathfrak{G} = \left\{ \{A_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}, \{\text{lift}_\nu^\mu : A_\mu \hookrightarrow A_\nu\}_{\substack{\mu, \nu \in \Lambda \\ \mu \leq \nu}} \right\}$$

such that  $A = A_{\lambda_{\min}}$ . Suppose that  $\mathfrak{G}$  contains **all** classes of isomorphisms of noncommutative finite-fold coverings of  $A$ . Then the triple  $(A, \tilde{A}, G(\tilde{A} | A))$  of  $\mathfrak{G}$  is said to be the **universal covering** of  $A$ . The group  $G(\tilde{A} | A)$  is said to be the **fundamental group** of  $A$ . We use the following notation

$$\pi_1(A) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} G(\tilde{A} | A).$$

## Definition

Let  $P$  be a property of noncommutative finite-fold coverings. Let  $A$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra, and let  $(A, \tilde{A}, G(\tilde{A} | A))$  be the infinite noncommutative covering of

$$\mathfrak{G} = \left\{ \{A_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}, \{\text{lift}_\nu^\mu : A_\mu \hookrightarrow A_\nu\}_{\substack{\mu, \nu \in \Lambda \\ \mu \leq \nu}} \right\}$$

such that  $A = A_{\lambda_{\min}}$ . Suppose that  $\mathfrak{G}$  contains **all** classes of isomorphisms of noncommutative finite-fold coverings of  $A$  which possess the property  $P$ . Assume that for all  $\mu, \nu \in \Lambda$  such that  $\mu \leq \nu$  the finite-fold noncommutative covering  $\text{lift}_\nu^\mu : A_\mu \hookrightarrow A_\nu$  possesses the property  $P$ . Then the triple  $(A, \tilde{A}, G(\tilde{A} | A))$  of  $\mathfrak{G}$  is said to be the  **$P$ -universal covering** of  $A$ . The group  $G(\tilde{A} | A)$  is said to be the  **$P$ -fundamental group** of  $A$ . We use the following notation

$$\pi_1^P(A) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} G(\tilde{A} | A).$$

Let  $P$  be a property of noncommutative finite-fold coverings such that

$$\left( A, \tilde{A}, G \left( \tilde{A} \mid A \right) \right) \in P \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad G \left( \tilde{A} \mid A \right) \quad \text{is an Abelian group}$$

and let  $\pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \pi_1^P(A)$  be the  $P$ -fundamental group. There are two homomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} h_{K^1}^{\text{free}} : \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A)_{\text{free}} &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A) / \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A)_{\text{tors}} \rightarrow \text{Hom}(K_1(A), \mathbb{Z}), \\ h_{K^1}^{\text{tors}} : \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A)_{\text{tors}} &\rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(K_0(A), \mathbb{Z}). \end{aligned}$$

If  $A$  is  $N$ -algebra then there is an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(K_0(A), \mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{\psi} K^1(A) \xrightarrow{\varphi} \text{Hom}(K_1(A), \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow 0.$$

Using the above equations we will prove that under some hypothesis ones has:

1. If  $A$  is a  $N$ -algebra then the above invariants yield the natural homomorphism

$$h_{K^1} : \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A) \rightarrow K^1(A)$$

2. If  $A \cong C(\mathcal{X})$  then  $h_{K^1}$  is the topological Hurewicz homomorphism,



Let  $A$  be an unital  $C^*$ -algebra with unitary element  $u \in A$ , and let

$$(A, \tilde{A}, \mathbb{Z}_n \cong G(\tilde{A}|A), \text{lift})$$

be an unital noncommutative finite-fold covering. Suppose that there are  $u \in A$  and  $v \in \tilde{A}$  such that

$$v^n = u,$$

$$\tilde{A} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bigoplus_{j=0}^{n-1} \text{lift}(A) v^j$$

where  $\oplus$  means a direct sum of left  $A$ -modules. Assume that

$$G(\tilde{A}|A) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left\{ g \in \text{Aut}(\tilde{A}) \mid \forall a \in \text{lift}(A) \quad ga = a \right\} \cong \mathbb{Z}_n,$$

$$\forall m \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad \forall \bar{k} \in G(\tilde{A}|A) \cong \mathbb{Z}_n, \quad \forall a \in \text{lift}(A) \quad \bar{k} \cdot (av^m) = av^m e^{\frac{2\pi i m k}{n}}.$$

where  $k$  is a representative of  $\bar{k}$ .

## Definition

Under the above hypothesis the noncommutative finite-fold covering with unitization  $(A, \tilde{A}, \mathbb{Z}_n \cong G(\tilde{A}|A), \text{lift})$  is a  **$(u, v, n)$ -covering**.

Let  $\phi_n$  is a Borel  $n^{\text{th}}$  root  $\phi_n$  of identity map on the set  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| = 1\}$ , i.e.

$$(\phi_n)^n = \text{Id}_{\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z|=1\}}$$

In particular  $\phi_n$  can be given by

$$\phi_n(\varphi) = e^{\frac{i\varphi}{n}}$$

where  $\varphi \in (0, 2\pi]$  is the angular parameter on  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| = 1\}$ .

## Definition

Let  $A$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra, and let  $P_{\text{ab}}$  be a property of noncommutative finite-fold coverings such that

$$(A, \tilde{A}, G, \text{lift}) \in P_{\text{ab}} \iff G \text{ is an Abelian group.}$$

then the  $P_{\text{ab}}$ -fundamental group of  $A$  is the **Abelian fundamental group**, denoted by

$$\pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A).$$

## Definition

Let  $A$  be an unital  $C^*$ -algebra with a faithful nondegenerate representation  $\pi : A \rightarrow B(\mathcal{H})$ . An nontrivial element

$x \in K_1(A)_{\text{free}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} K_1(A) / K_1(A)_{\text{tors}}$  is **admissible** if it can be represented by an unitary element  $u \in A$  such that there is a set  $\{v_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset B(\mathcal{H}) \setminus A$  of unital elements with

$$\begin{aligned} v_n^n &= \pi(u), \\ \forall n, l \in \mathbb{N} \quad v_n^l &= v_{nl}. \end{aligned}$$

and for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  there is an  $(u, v_n, n)$ -covering.

$$\left( A, \tilde{A}_n, \mathbb{Z}_n \cong G\left(\tilde{A}_n \Big| A\right), \text{lift}_n \right).$$

If  $V^{\text{adm}} \subset K_1(A)_{\text{free}} \otimes \mathbb{Q}$  is a generated by admissible elements subspace then  $V^{\text{adm}}$  is isomorphic to the factor-space of

$K_1(A)_{\text{free}} \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ . Similarly if  $K_1^{\text{adm}}(A)_{\text{free}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} V^{\text{adm}} \cap K_1(A)_{\text{free}}$  then  $K_1^{\text{adm}}(A)$  is isomorphic to a factor-group of a  $K_1(A)_{\text{free}}$ . Indeed

$$K_1^{\text{adm}}(A) \cong \mathbb{Z}x_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}x_p$$

where  $x_j$  is admissible for any  $j \in \{1, \dots, p\}$  and there is a (non unique) surjective homomorphism  $K_1(A)_{\text{free}} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}x_j$ . Any  $x \in \{x_1, \dots, x_p\}$  can be represented by  $u \in A$  satisfying to the above conditions. For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  let  $(A, A_n, \mathbb{Z}_n, \text{lift}_n)$  For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  let  $(A, A_n, \mathbb{Z}_n, \text{lift}_n)$  be the required by the above definition unital finite-fold noncommutative covering. If  $h_n : \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n$  is the natural homomorphism then any  $g \in \pi_1(A)$  yields a character

$$\chi_n^g : \mathbb{Z}x \rightarrow \mathcal{U}(1),$$

$$kx \mapsto \frac{h_n(g) v_n^k}{v_n} = e^{\frac{2\pi i k s}{n}}$$

where and  $s \in \mathbb{Z}$  is a representative of  $h_n(g) \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ .

Moreover one has

$$\forall g, g_2 \in \pi_1(A) \cong \mathbb{Z}^m \quad \chi_n^{g_1+g_2} = \chi_n^{g_1} \chi_n^{g_2}.$$

If  $\mathbb{Q}x \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbb{Q} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}x$  then there is a character

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_{\mathbb{Q}}^g : \mathbb{Q}x &\rightarrow \mathcal{U}(1), \\ \forall a \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \forall b \in \mathbb{N} \quad \chi_{\mathbb{Q}}^g \left( \frac{a}{b}x \right) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\chi_b^g(x))^a \end{aligned}$$

such that

$$\forall \frac{a}{b} \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \chi_{\mathbb{Q}}^g \left( \frac{a}{b}x \right) = 1.$$

The map

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{(u_j, v_j, j)}^{\text{ab}} : \pi_1(A) &\rightarrow \chi(\mathbb{Q}x), \\ g &\mapsto \chi_{\mathbb{Q}}^g \end{aligned}$$

is a homomorphism of groups.

For any locally compact Abelian group  $G$  one can define its **topological dual**  $G^*$  as a group of continuous characters. For any vector space  $V$  over field  $K$  there is **algebraic dual** space  $V'$  of  $K$ -linear functionals.

### Theorem

*Let  $K$  be a non-discrete locally compact field, and  $V$  a left vector-space of finite dimension  $n$  over  $K$ ; let  $\chi$  be a non-trivial character of the additive group of  $K$ . Then the topological dual  $V^*$  of  $V$  is a right vector-space of dimension  $n$  over  $K$ ; the formula*

$$\langle v, v^* \rangle_V = \chi([v, v'])$$

*defines a bijective mapping  $v' \mapsto v^*$  of the algebraic dual  $V'$  of  $V$  onto  $V^*$ .*

From the Theorem it turns out that if we consider the standard character

$$\begin{aligned}\chi_{\text{standard}} : \mathbb{R} &\rightarrow U(1), \\ x &\mapsto e^{2\pi i x}\end{aligned}$$

then since  $\mathbb{R}$  is a locally compact field any character  $\chi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow U(1)$  uniquely defines a functional  $f_{\mathbb{R}} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with

$$\chi = \chi_{\text{standard}} \circ f_{\mathbb{R}}.$$

In particular the explained above character  $\chi_{\mathbb{Q}}^q : \mathbb{Q}x \rightarrow U(1)$  is continuous, so it can be uniquely extended up to the character  $\chi_{\mathbb{R}}^q : \mathbb{R}x \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbb{Q}x \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R} \rightarrow U(1)$ . There is the unique functional such  $f_{\mathbb{R}}^g : \mathbb{R}x \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\chi_{\mathbb{R}}^g = \chi_{\text{standard}} \circ f_{\mathbb{R}}^g$ . From the our construction it turns out that  $\chi_{\mathbb{R}}^q(\mathbb{Z}) = \{1\}$ , so  $f_g^{\mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{Z}x) \subset \mathbb{Z}$  and the functional  $f_{\mathbb{R}}^g$  yields a homomorphism  $\phi_g \in \text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}x, \mathbb{Z})$ .



From the direct sum  $K_1^{\text{adm}}(A) \cong \mathbb{Z}x_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}x_p$  one can deduce a non unique direct sum  $K_1(A)_{\text{free}} \cong \mathbb{Z}x_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}x_p \oplus K_1^\perp(A)_{\text{free}}$   
 Using it one can construct a homomorphism

$$f_x^g : K_1(A)_{\text{free}} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

and from the above equations it follows that  $f_x^g$  linearly depends on  $g$ , i.e.

$$\forall g, g_2 \in \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A) \cong \mathbb{Z}^m \quad f_x^{g_1+g_2} = f_x^{g_1} + f_x^{g_2}.$$

The formula

$$f^g = f_{x_1}^g + \dots + f_{x_p}^g$$

yields an element of  $\text{Hom}(K_1(A)_{\text{free}}, \mathbb{Z})$ .

In result one has a group homomorphism

$$h_{K^1}^{\text{free}} : \pi_1(A) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(K_1(A), \mathbb{Z}),$$
$$g \mapsto f^g$$

### Definition

The homomorphism  $h_{K^1}^{\text{free}}$  is the **free noncommutative Hurewicz homomorphism**.

Let  $G$  be a finite Abelian group, and let

$$\left( A, \tilde{A}, G = G \left( \tilde{A} \middle| A \right), \text{lift} \right)$$

be an unital finite-fold covering. Consider a category of finitely generated projective  $\tilde{A}$ - $G$ -modules, i.e.  $\tilde{A}$ -modules with equivariant action of  $G$ . According to the well known result this category Morita equivalent to both:

- ▶ Category of finitely-generated projective  $\tilde{A} \rtimes G$ -modules where  $\tilde{A} \rtimes G$  is a crossed product.
- ▶ Category of finitely-generated projective  $A$ -modules.

So there are natural isomorphisms

$$K_0^G \left( \tilde{A} \right) \cong K_0 \left( \tilde{A} \rtimes G \right) \cong K_0 \left( A \right).$$

If  $Q$  is a projective finitely generated  $\tilde{A}$ - $G$ -module and  $Q^G \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{q \in Q \mid \forall g \in G \quad gq = q\}$  then there is a natural direct sum

$$Q = Q^G \oplus Q^\perp$$

since any  $q \in Q$  equals to the sum  $q^G + q^\perp$  where

$$q^G \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} gq \in Q^G,$$

$$q^\perp \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} q - q^G \in Q^\perp.$$

Similarly if  $r : G \rightarrow U(1)$  is an irreducible representation then  $Q^\perp = Q_r \oplus Q_r^\perp$  since any  $p \in Q^\perp$  equals to the sum  $q_r + q_r^\perp$  where

$$q_r \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{|\ker r|} \sum_{g \in \ker r} gq$$

$$q_r^\perp \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} q - q_r$$

It follows that any projective finitely generated  $\tilde{A}$ - $G$ -module  $Q$  is represented by direct sum

$$Q = Q^G \oplus \left( \bigoplus_{r \in R} Q_r \right)$$

where  $R$  is a set of irreducible representations of  $G$ . It turns out that

$$K_0^G(\tilde{A}) = \left( K_0^G(\tilde{A}) \right)^G \oplus \left( \bigoplus_{r \in R} K_0^G(\tilde{A})_r \right)$$

For any  $r \in R$  there is a prime number  $p_r \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\text{im } r = e^{\frac{2\pi i \mathbb{Z}}{p_r}}$ . There is  $g \in G$  with

$$\begin{aligned} r(g) &= e^{\frac{2\pi i}{p_r}}, \\ \forall r' \in R \setminus \{r\} \quad r'(g) &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

If  $x_1, x_2 \in K_0^G(\tilde{A})_r$  are such that  $\chi_{x_1}(g) = \chi_{x_2}(g) = e^{\frac{2\pi i k}{pr}}$  with  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  then one has

$$\forall g \in G \quad \chi_{x_1 - x_2}(g) = \{1\} \quad x_1 - x_2 \in \left(K_0^G(\tilde{A})\right)^G$$

it is possible if and only if  $x_1 - x_2 = 0$ . From our construction there is an isomorphism

$$\phi_r : \mathbb{Z}_{pr} \cong K_0^G(\tilde{A})_r$$

such that

$$\forall \bar{k} \in \mathbb{Z}_{pr} \quad \chi_{\phi_r(\bar{k})}(g) = e^{\frac{2\pi i k}{pr}}$$

where  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  is a representative of  $\bar{k}$ . Moreover any  $g \in G$  yield a character

$$\chi_r : K_0^G(\tilde{A})_r \rightarrow U(1). \quad (4)$$

Following Lemma is a consequence of the above construction and the isomorphism .

## Lemma

*If  $R$  is a set of irreducible representations of  $G$  then there is a decomposition*

$$K_0(A) = K_0(A)^\perp \oplus \left( \bigoplus_{r \in R} K_0(A)_r \right).$$

*If  $\text{im } r = e^{\frac{2\pi i \mathbb{Z}}{p^r}}$  then  $K_0(A)_r$  is trivial, or there is an isomorphism  $K_0(A)_r \cong \mathbb{Z}_{p^r}$ .*

The decomposition of the lemma yield a map from  $G$  to the set of characters of  $K_0(A)$

$$g \mapsto \left( x^\perp + \sum_{r \in \mathbb{R}} x_r \mapsto \prod_{r \in R} \chi_r(x_r) \right)$$

From

$$\forall g', g'' \in G \quad \chi_r(g') \chi_r(g'') = \chi_{P_j}(g' g'') .$$

Using it one can construct a homomorphism

$$h_{K^1}^{\text{tors}} : G \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1(K_0(A), \mathbb{Z})$$

If  $A$  belongs to class  $N$  then one has a homomorphism

$$h_{K^1}^{\text{tors}} : G \rightarrow K^1(A)$$

## Definition

The above map is the **torsion of noncommutative Hurewicz homomorphism**.



## Definition

An unital  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$  **admits Hurewicz homomorphism** if one has:

- (a) All Abelian groups  $\pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A)$ ,  $K_0(A)$  and  $K_1(A)$  are finitely generated.
- (b) If  $\pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A)_{\text{tors}} \subset \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A)$  is the torsion subgroup then there an unital finite-fold noncommutative covering  $(A, \tilde{A}, G(\tilde{A}|A), \text{lift})$  such that the composition  $\pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A)_{\text{tors}} \hookrightarrow \pi_1(A) \rightarrow G(\tilde{A}|A)$  is isomorphism.

If an unital  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$  admits Hurewicz homomorphism then  $\pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A)$  is the direct sum of groups

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A) &\cong \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A)_{\text{tors}} \oplus \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A) / \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A)_{\text{tors}} \cong \\ &\quad G(\tilde{A}|A) \oplus \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(\tilde{A}) \cong \\ &\cong \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A)_{\text{tors}} \oplus \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A)_{\text{free}} . \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

There are the free and the torsion Hurewicz homomorphisms

$$h_{K^1}^{\text{free}} : \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(\tilde{A}) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(K_1(\tilde{A}), \mathbb{Z}),$$

$$h_{K^1}^{\text{tors}} : G(\tilde{A} \mid A) \cong \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A)_{\text{tors}} \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1(K_0(\tilde{A}, \mathbb{Z})).$$

The inclusion yields a homomorphism  $\iota : K_0(A) \rightarrow K_0(\tilde{A})$  so there are homomorphisms

$$r_1 : \text{Hom}(K_1(\tilde{A}), \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(K_1(A), \mathbb{Z}),$$

$$r_2 : \text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1(K_0(\tilde{A}), \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1(K_0(A), \mathbb{Z}),$$

On the other hand there are surjective homomorphism

$$s_1 : \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A) \rightarrow G(\tilde{A} \mid A) = \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A)_{\text{tors}} \text{ and } s_2 : \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A) \rightarrow \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(\tilde{A}).$$

## Definition

If  $A$  admits Hurewicz homomorphism then a pair of homomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} h_{K_1}^1 &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} r_1 \circ s_1 : \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(K_1(A), \mathbb{Z}), \\ h_{K_1}^2 &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} r_2 \circ s_2 : \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1(K_0(A), \mathbb{Z}) \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

is the Hurewicz pair.

## Definition

If  $A$  is an  $N$ -algebra then both direct sum and exact sequence yield the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A)_{\text{tors}} & \longrightarrow & \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A)_{\text{tors}} \oplus \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A)_{\text{free}} & \longrightarrow & \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A)_{\text{free}} \\
 \downarrow h_{K^1}^1 & & \downarrow h_{K^1}^A \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} h_{K^1}^1 + h_{K^1}^2 & & \downarrow h_{K^1}^2 \\
 \text{Ext}^1(K_0(A), \mathbb{Z}) & \xrightarrow{\psi} & K^1(A) & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & \text{Hom}(K_1(A), \mathbb{Z})
 \end{array}$$

So there is the **unital Hurewicz homomorphism** given by

$$h_{K^1}^A \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} h_{K^1}^1 + h_{K^1}^2 : \pi_1^{\text{ab}}(A) \rightarrow K^1(A).$$

# Hurewicz homomorphism for commutative $C^*$ -algebras

If  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  is an universal covering then the Hurewicz homomorphism looks like

$$h_{K^1}^{C(\mathcal{X})} : G\left(\tilde{\mathcal{X}} \middle| \mathcal{X}\right) \rightarrow K^1(C(\mathcal{X}))$$

If  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$  is not path connected then it is possible that  $\pi_1(\mathcal{X}, x_0)$  is trivial but  $G\left(\tilde{\mathcal{X}} \middle| \mathcal{X}\right)$  is not trivial the Hurewicz homomorphism of  $C^*$ -algebras is more informative. There is the **weak fundamental group**  $\pi_1^w(\mathcal{X}, x_0)$  such that  $\pi_1^w(\mathcal{X}, x_0) \cong \pi_1(\mathcal{X}, x_0)$  if  $\mathcal{X}$  is path connected a semilocally 1-connected. However it is possible that  $\pi_1(\mathcal{X}, x_0)$  is trivial but  $\pi_1^w(\mathcal{X}, x_0)$  is not trivial. Moreover for any Abelian group  $A$  one can define a Hurewicz homomorphism

$$\pi_1^w(\mathcal{X}, x_0) \rightarrow \check{H}_1(\mathcal{X}, A)$$

to Čech homology. Above homomorphism have new early unknown type. There are examples nontrivial homomorphisms with trivial  $\pi_1(\mathcal{X}, x_0)$ .

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a compact, connected topological space such that:

- ▶ The groups  $\pi_1^{\text{ab}}(\mathcal{X}, x_0)$ ,  $K_0(C(\mathcal{X})) \cong K^0(\mathcal{X})$  and  $K_1(C(\mathcal{X})) \cong K^1(\mathcal{X})$  are finitely generated Abelian groups,
- ▶ There is the universal covering  $p: \tilde{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  with the natural isomorphism  $\pi_1(\mathcal{X}, x_0) \cong G(\tilde{\mathcal{X}}|_{\mathcal{X}})$ .

The (classical) Hurewicz homomorphism  $h^{\text{sing}}: \pi_1(\mathcal{X}, x_0) \rightarrow H_1(\mathcal{X})$  into singular homology is an isomorphism. If  $\omega: (S^1, s_0) \rightarrow (\mathcal{X}, x_0)$  represents an element  $[\omega] \in \pi_1(\mathcal{X}, x_0)$  is such that

$$\pi_1(\mathcal{X}, x_0) = \mathbb{Z}[\omega] \oplus \pi_1(\mathcal{X}, x_0)^{\perp}.$$

There is a surjective homomorphism  $\phi_H: H_1(\mathcal{X}) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  with  $\phi_H(\mathbb{Z}y) = \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\phi_H(H_1(\mathcal{X})^{\perp}) = \{0\}$ . This homomorphism yields an element  $z \in H^1(\mathcal{X}, \mathbb{Z})$  with  $H^1(\mathcal{X}, \mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}z \oplus H^1(\mathcal{X}, \mathbb{Z})^{\perp}$ .

There is a representative  $\varphi_z: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow K(\mathbb{Z}, n) = S^1$  of  $z$ . The composition  $\varphi_z \circ \omega: S^1 \rightarrow S^1$  yields an isomorphism of cohomology of  $S^1$  so it is a homotopy equivalence. It follows that there is a surjective homomorphism

$$\pi_1(\varphi_z): \pi_1(\mathcal{X}, x_0) \rightarrow \pi_1(S^1, s_0) \cong \mathbb{Z}.$$

## Free case

For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  there are a finite index subgroup, topological space and two transitive coverings given by

$$\begin{aligned} H_n &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \pi_1^{-1}(\varphi_z)(n\pi_1(S^1, s_0)) \\ \tilde{\mathcal{X}}_n &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \tilde{\mathcal{X}}/H_n, \\ \tilde{\rho}_n : \tilde{\mathcal{X}} &\rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{X}}_n, \\ \rho_n : \tilde{\mathcal{X}}_n &\rightarrow \mathcal{X}. \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

Since  $S^1 \cong U(1)$  the map  $\varphi_z$  yields an unitary element  $u \in U(C(\mathcal{X}))$ . If  $\pi : C(\mathcal{X}) \rightarrow B(\mathcal{H}_a)$  be an atomic representation and  $\phi_n$  is given is defined above then for any  $n > 1$  there is a generally discontinuous map  $v_n \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \phi_n \circ \varphi_z : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow U(1) \cong S^1$  which can be regarded as an element of  $B(\mathcal{H}_a)$ . If  $v_n$  is continuous map then  $v_n$  represents an element  $z_n \in H^1(\mathcal{X}, \mathbb{Z})$  with  $nz_n = z$ . It is impossible since  $x$  is not divisible, so  $v_n \notin C(\mathcal{X})$ . It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} v_n^n &= \pi(u), \\ \forall n, l \in \mathbb{N} \quad v_n^l &= v_{nl}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $\tilde{A}_n$  is a  $C^*$ -subalgebra of  $B(\mathcal{H}_a)$  generated by the union  $C(\mathcal{X}) \cup \{v_n\}$  then  $\tilde{A}$  is a subalgebra of maps from  $\mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , so it is commutative, so from the Theorem Gelfand theorem it turns out that  $\tilde{A}_n \cong C(\tilde{\mathcal{X}}'_n)$ . Moreover

$$\begin{aligned} v^n &= u, \\ C(\tilde{\mathcal{X}}'_n) &= \oplus_{j=0}^{n-1} \pi(C(\mathcal{X})) v^j \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

where  $\oplus$  means a direct sum of left  $A$ -modules, i.e. there is an  $(u, v_n, n)$ -covering

$$(C(\mathcal{X}), C(\tilde{\mathcal{X}}'_n), \mathbb{Z}_n \cong G(C(\tilde{\mathcal{X}}'_n) | C(\mathcal{X})), C(p'_n))$$

where  $p'_n : \tilde{\mathcal{X}}'_n \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  is a covering induced by an inclusion  $C(\mathcal{X}) \hookrightarrow C(\tilde{\mathcal{X}}'_n)$ .



From  $v^n = u$  it turns out that

$$\pi_1(\varphi_z \circ p'_n) \left( \pi_1 \left( \tilde{\mathcal{X}}'_n \right) \right) = n\pi_1(\mathcal{X}, x_0) = \pi_1(\varphi_z \circ p_n) \left( \pi_1 \left( \tilde{\mathcal{X}}_n \right) \right)$$

and from the above equation it follows that the covering  $p'_n : \tilde{\mathcal{X}}'_n \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  is equivalent to the  $p_n : \tilde{\mathcal{X}}_n \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  one. If  $u$  represents a nonzero element  $[u] \in K_1(C(\mathcal{X}))$  then from the above equations it turns out that  $[u]$  is admissible. For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  the specialization of the character explained in general theory character

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_n^{[\omega]} : \mathbb{Z}[u] &\rightarrow \mathcal{U}(1), \\ k[u] &\mapsto e^{\frac{2\pi i k}{n}}. \end{aligned}$$

and from the above equation it follows that the covering  $p'_n : \tilde{\mathcal{X}}'_n \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  is equivalent to the  $p_n : \tilde{\mathcal{X}}_n \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  one. Clearly a set  $\{v_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  satisfies to the conditions of the definition of admissible element, i.e.  $u$  is admissible.

Here we drop analogs manipulations below the equation and obtain a specialization

$$f_{[u]}^{[\omega]} : K_1(A)_{\text{free}} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

of the given by the equation free Hurewicz homomorphism, i.e.  $h_{K^1}^{\text{free}}$  maps  $\omega$  onto the image of  $f_{[u]}^{[\omega]}$ . Using this fact one can prove that free part of classical free Hurewicz homomorphism coincides with noncommutative one,

## Torsion case

Let  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  be a prime number and  $\mathcal{X}$  is path connected and  $\omega : (S^1, s_0) \rightarrow (\mathcal{X}, x_0)$  is a representative of an element  $[\omega] \in \pi_1(\mathcal{X}, x_0)$  with  $p[\omega] = 0$ . Suppose that there is a  $p$ -listed covering  $\theta_p : \tilde{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  such that the composition

$$\mathbb{Z}[\omega] \cong \mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow \pi_1(\mathcal{X}, x_0) \rightarrow G(\tilde{\mathcal{X}} | \mathcal{X})$$

is isomorphism of Abelian groups. It turns out that the composition  $\omega \circ \theta_p$  represents a trivial element  $[\omega \circ \theta_p] = p[\omega] \in \pi_1(\mathcal{X}, x_0)$ . So there is a homotopy  $\Phi : S^1 \times [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  with

$$\forall s \in S^1 \quad \Phi(s, 0) = \omega \circ \theta_p(s);$$

$$\Phi(s, 1) = x_0,$$

$$\forall t \in [0, 1] \quad \Phi(x_0, t) = x_0$$

Let  $C'\omega$  be the mapping cone defined by the following way:

- ▶ there is a mapping cylinder  $M_{\theta_p}$  (cf. Definition ??),
- ▶  $C'\omega \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} M_{\theta_p}/j(S^1)$ .

then map  $\Phi$  yields a composition

$$S^1 \rightarrow C'\omega \rightarrow \mathcal{X}.$$

If  $m_0$  corresponds to a base point of  $C'\omega$  then there is a decomposition

$$S^1 \rightarrow C'\omega \setminus \{m_0\} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}.$$

It follows that one has

$$K^1(C(S^1)) \rightarrow K^1(C(C'\omega \setminus \{m_0\})) \rightarrow K^1(C(\mathcal{X}))$$

On the other hand  $(C(C'\omega \setminus \{m_0\}))$  is the mapping cone  $C_{C(\theta_p)}$  of the homomorphism  $C(\theta_p) : C(S^1) \hookrightarrow C(S^1)$ . There is a following exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow SC(S^1) \xrightarrow{\iota} C_{C(\theta_p)} \xrightarrow{P} C(S^1) \rightarrow 0.$$

From the Puppe sequences

$$\begin{aligned}
 & KK(SC(S^1), SC(S^1)) \xrightarrow{KK(\text{Id}_{SC(S^1)}, SC(\theta_p))} KK(SC(S^1), SC(S^1)) \\
 & \xrightarrow{KK(\text{Id}_{SC(S^1)}, \iota)} KK(SC(S^1), C(C_{\theta_p})) \xrightarrow{KK(\text{Id}_{SC(S^1)}, P)} KK(SC(S^1), C(S^1)) \\
 & \xrightarrow{KK(\text{Id}_{SC(S^1)}, C(\theta_p))} KK(SC(S^1), C(S^1)); \\
 & KK(C(S^1), C(S^1)) \xrightarrow{KK(C(\theta_p), \text{Id}_{C(S^1)})} KK(C(S^1), C(S^1)) \xrightarrow{KK(P, \text{Id}_{C(S^1)})} \\
 & \rightarrow KK(C_\phi, C(S^1)) \xrightarrow{KK(\iota, \text{Id}_{C(S^1)})} KK(SC(S^1), C(S^1)) \\
 & \xrightarrow{KK(SC(\theta_p), \text{Id}_{C(S^1)})} KK(SC(S^1), C(S^1)).
 \end{aligned}$$

it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 K_0(SC(S^1)) &\xrightarrow{K_0(SC(\theta_p))} K_0(SC(S^1)) \xrightarrow{K_0(\iota)} K_0(C(C_{\theta_p})) \xrightarrow{K_0(p)} K_0(C(S^1)) \\
 &\xrightarrow{K_0(C(\theta_p))} K_0(C(S^1)), \\
 K^1(C(S^1)) &\xrightarrow{K^1(C(\theta_p))} K^1(C(S^1)) \xrightarrow{K^1(\iota)} K^1(C(C_{\theta_p})) \xrightarrow{K^1(p)} K^1(SC(S^1)) \\
 &\xrightarrow{K^1(SC(\theta_p))} K^1(SC(S^1)),
 \end{aligned}$$

So one has

$$K_0(C(C_{\theta_p})) \cong K^1(C(C_{\theta_p})) \cong \mathbb{Z}_p.$$

The decomposition

$$S^1 \rightarrow C'\omega \setminus \{m_0\} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$$

yields the following homomorphisms

$$K^1(C(S^1)) \rightarrow K(C_0(C'\omega \setminus \{m_0\})) \rightarrow K^1(C(\mathcal{X}))$$

Using the above homomorphisms one can prove the coincidence of classical and noncommutative Hurewicz homomorphism.