

# Basic noncommutative geometries

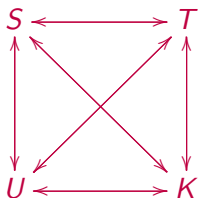
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# Idea

There is no free  $\mathbb{R}^N$ , or free  $\mathbb{C}^N$ . We have quadruplets  $(S, T, U, K)$  consisting of a sphere, torus, unitary group and reflection group:



Such quadruplets can be axiomatized. There are 4 main examples of geometries in this sense, namely those of  $\mathbb{R}^N$ ,  $\mathbb{C}^N$ ,  $\mathbb{R}_+^N$ ,  $\mathbb{C}_+^N$ .

# Axioms

A quadruplet  $(S, T, U, K)$ , between classical real and free complex,

$$\mathbb{R}^N \prec (S, T, U, K) \prec \mathbb{C}_+^N$$

produces a noncommutative geometry when

$$\begin{aligned} S &= S_U \\ S \cap \mathbb{T}_N^+ &= T = K \cap \mathbb{T}_N^+ \\ G^+(S) &= \langle O_N, T \rangle = U \\ G^+(T) \cap K_N^+ &= U \cap K_N^+ = K \end{aligned}$$

up to the standard equivalence relation for algebraic manifolds.

# Plan

We will complete the basic 4-diagram into a 9-diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbb{R}_+^N & \longrightarrow & \text{TR}_+^N & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}_+^N \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{R}_*^N & \longrightarrow & \text{TR}_*^N & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}_*^N \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{R}^N & \longrightarrow & \text{TR}^N & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}^N \end{array}$$

Then we will discuss classification results, and extensions.

# Half-liberation 1/4

Question. Is there a "standard" geometry  $\mathbb{R}^N \subset \mathbb{R}_*^N \subset \mathbb{R}_+^N$ ?

Theorem. The algebraic manifold  $S^{(k)} \subset S_{\mathbb{R},+}^{N-1}$  obtained via the relations  $a_1 \dots a_k = a_k \dots a_1$  is as follows:

- (1) At  $k = 1$  we have  $S^{(k)} = S_{\mathbb{R},+}^{N-1}$ .
- (2) At  $k = 2, 4, 6, \dots$  we have  $S^{(k)} = S_{\mathbb{R}}^{N-1}$ .
- (3) At  $k = 3, 5, 7, \dots$  we have  $S^{(k)} = S^{(3)}$ .

Definition. We define the half-classical sphere via the formula

$$C(S_{\mathbb{R},*}^{N-1}) = C(S_{\mathbb{R},+}^{N-1}) / \langle abc = cba \rangle$$

and call the relations  $abc = cba$  half-commutation relations.

## Half-liberation 2/4

Definition. We define the real half-classical quadruplet

$$(S_{\mathbb{R},*}^{N-1}, T_N^*, O_N^*, H_N^*)$$

by imposing  $abc = cba$  to the coordinates. We define as well

$$(S_{\mathbb{C},*}^{N-1}, \mathbb{T}_N^*, U_N^*, K_N^*)$$

by imposing  $abc = cba$  to the coordinates, and their adjoints.

$\implies$  To do: find tools for studying these objects, check our NCG axioms for them, establish some further uniqueness results.

# Half-liberation 3/4

Theorem. The sphere  $S_{\mathbb{R},*}^{N-1}$  has the following properties:

- (1)  $PS_{\mathbb{R},*}^{N-1}$  is classical, equal to  $P_{\mathbb{C}}^{N-1}$ .
- (2)  $S_{\mathbb{R},*}^{N-1} \subset S_{\mathbb{R},+}^{N-1}$  appears as the affine lift of  $P_{\mathbb{C}}^{N-1}$ .
- (3) We have a matrix model  $C(S_{\mathbb{R},*}^{N-1}) \subset M_2(C(S_{\mathbb{C}}^{N-1}))$ .
- (4) Similar results hold for the subspaces  $X \subset S_{\mathbb{R},*}^{N-1}$ .

Proof. (1) Here  $\subset$  is clear, because  $abc = aba$  implies  $[ab, cd] = 0$ , and  $\supset$  follows by using the model in (3), namely:

$$x_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & z_i \\ \bar{z}_i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

(2) and the faithfulness claim in (3) are related, and follow from some algebra. As for (4), this is something more technical.

## Half-liberation 4/4

Theorem. We have full results regarding  $S_{\mathbb{R},*}^{N-1}$ ,  $T_N^*$ ,  $O_N^*$ ,  $H_N^*$ , and complex analogues as well, regarding  $S_{\mathbb{C},*}^{N-1}$ ,  $\mathbb{T}_N^*$ ,  $U_N^*$ ,  $K_N^*$ .

Theorem. We have noncommutative geometries, as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{R}_+^N & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}_+^N \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{R}_*^N & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}_*^N \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{R}^N & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}^N \end{array}$$

Remark. It is possible to prove that  $O_N^*$  is the unique intermediate easy quantum group  $O_N \subset G \subset O_N^+$ . More on this later.



## Hybrid geometries 1/4

An intermediate geometry  $\mathbb{R}^N \subset X \subset \mathbb{C}^N$  is given by a quadruplet  $(S, T, U, K)$ , whose components are subject to:

$$S_{\mathbb{R}}^{N-1} \subset S \subset S_{\mathbb{C}}^{N-1}$$

$$T_N \subset T \subset \mathbb{T}_N$$

$$O_N \subset U \subset U_N$$

$$H_N \subset K \subset K_N$$

There are many solutions here, even under strong axioms, such as easiness. We will discuss here the "standard" solution.

## Hybrid geometries 2/4

Theorem. We have an intermediate sphere as follows,

$$S_{\mathbb{R}}^{N-1} \subset \mathbb{T}S_{\mathbb{R}}^{N-1} \subset S_{\mathbb{C}}^{N-1}$$

which appears as the affine lift of  $P_{\mathbb{R}}^{N-1}$ , inside  $S_{\mathbb{C}}^{N-1}$ .

Theorem. More generally, we have a quadruplet as follows,

$$(\mathbb{T}S_{\mathbb{R}}^{N-1}, \mathbb{T}T_N, \mathbb{T}O_N, \mathbb{T}H_N)$$

which appears in a similar way, by lifting.

Theorem. This quadruplet satisfies our NCG axioms.

$\implies$  A priori  $(\mathbb{Z}_r S_{\mathbb{R}}^{N-1}, \mathbb{Z}_r T_N, \mathbb{Z}_r O_N, \mathbb{Z}_r H_N)$  are solutions too.

## Hybrid geometries 3/4

Theorem. We have as well half-classical and free quadruplets,

$$(\mathbb{T}S_{\mathbb{R},*}^{N-1}, \mathbb{T}T_N^*, \mathbb{T}O_N^*, \mathbb{T}H_N^*)$$

$$(\mathbb{T}S_{\mathbb{R},+}^{N-1}, \mathbb{T}T_N^+, \mathbb{T}O_N^+, \mathbb{T}H_N^+)$$

obtained via the relations  $ab^* = a^*b$ .

Theorem. All the above hybrid quantum groups, namely

$$\mathbb{T}O_N, \mathbb{T}O_N^*, \mathbb{T}O_N^+ \quad , \quad \mathbb{T}H_N, \mathbb{T}H_N^*, \mathbb{T}H_N^+$$

are easy, appearing from the partition implementing  $ab^* = a^*b$ .

Theorem. The hybrid quadruplets satisfy our NCG axioms.

# Hybrid geometries 4/4

Theorem. We have noncommutative geometries as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbb{R}_+^N & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{TR}_+^N & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}_+^N \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{R}_*^N & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{TR}_*^N & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}_*^N \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{R}^N & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{TR}^N & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}^N \end{array}$$

Proof. This follows by putting together what we have.

## Classification 1/4

Definition. A geometry coming from a quadruplet  $(S, T, U, K)$  is called easy when both  $U, K$  are easy, and

$$U = \{O_N, K\}$$

with the operation on the right being the easy generation operation.

Remark. It is known that if  $G, H$  are easy then we have

$$\langle G, H \rangle \subset \langle G, H \rangle' \subset \{G, H\}$$

and both these inclusions are conjectured to be isomorphisms.

## Classification 2/4

Theorem. An easy geometry is determined by a pair  $(D, E)$  of categories of partitions, which must be as follows,

$$\mathcal{NC}_2 \subset D \subset P_2$$

$$\mathcal{NC}_{\text{even}} \subset E \subset P_{\text{even}}$$

and which are subject to the following conditions,

$$D = E \cap P_2$$

$$E = \langle D, \mathcal{NC}_{\text{even}} \rangle$$

and to the usual axioms for the associated quadruplet  $(S, T, U, K)$ , where  $U, K$  are the easy quantum groups associated to  $D, E$ .

Proof. The conditions come from  $U = \{O_N, K\}$ ,  $K = U \cap K_N^+$ .

## Classification 3/4

Remark. In the context of an easy geometry, we have:

$$C(U) = C(U_N^+) / \left\langle T_\pi \in \text{Hom}(u^{\otimes k}, u^{\otimes l}) \mid \forall k, l, \forall T \in D(k, l) \right\rangle$$

$$C(K) = C(K_N^+) / \left\langle T_\pi \in \text{Hom}(u^{\otimes k}, u^{\otimes l}) \mid \forall k, l, \forall T \in D(k, l) \right\rangle$$

We have as well the following formula, for the dual of the torus:

$$\Gamma = F_N / \left\langle g_{i_1} \cdots g_{i_k} = g_{j_1} \cdots g_{j_l} \mid \exists \pi \in D(k, l), \delta_\pi \begin{pmatrix} i \\ j \end{pmatrix} \neq 0 \right\rangle$$

As for the sphere, here the situation is a bit more complicated.

## Classification 4/4

Theorem. The easy geometries are as follows:

- (1) Real case: the 3 geometries that we have are unique.
- (2) Classical case: uniqueness again, under an extra axiom.
- (3) Other "pure" cases: uniqueness, under an extra axiom.
- (4) In general: uniqueness, under an extra "slicing" axiom.

Proof. In terms of the category of pairings  $\mathcal{NC}_2 \subset D \subset P_2$ , the conditions  $D = E \cap P_2$ ,  $E = \langle D, \mathcal{NC}_{even} \rangle$  reformulate as:

$$D = \langle D, \mathcal{NC}_{even} \rangle \cap P_2$$

But this equation can be solved by using the known classification results for easy quantum groups, and related techniques.



# Monomial spheres 1/2

Reminder. We have seen that the abstract construction

$$C(S^{(k)}) = C(S_{\mathbb{R},+}^{N-1}) / \langle a_1 \dots a_k = a_k \dots a_1 \rangle$$

produces in practice only 3 spheres,  $S_{\mathbb{R}}^{N-1} \subset S_{\mathbb{R},*}^{N-1} \subset S_{\mathbb{R},+}^{N-1}$ .

Definition. A monomial sphere is a sphere  $S \subset S_{\mathbb{C},+}^{N-1}$  obtained via

$$x_{i_1}^{e_1} \dots x_{i_k}^{e_k} = x_{i_{\sigma(1)}}^{f_1} \dots x_{i_{\sigma(k)}}^{f_k} \quad , \quad \forall (i_1, \dots, i_k) \in \{1, \dots, N\}^k$$

with  $\sigma \in S_k$ , and with  $e_r, f_r \in \{1, *\}$  being exponents.

## Monomial spheres 2/2

Theorem. In the real case, the only monomial spheres are:

$$S_{\mathbb{R}}^{N-1} \subset S_{\mathbb{R},*}^{N-1} \subset S_{\mathbb{R},+}^{N-1}$$

Proof. The idea is that the real monomial spheres are the subsets  $S \subset S_{\mathbb{R},+}^{N-1}$  obtained via relations of the form

$$x_{i_1} \cdots x_{i_k} = x_{i_{\sigma(1)}} \cdots x_{i_{\sigma(k)}}, \quad \forall (i_1, \dots, i_k) \in \{1, \dots, N\}^k$$

associated to certain elements  $\sigma \in G_k$ , where  $G = (G_k)$  is a filtered subgroup of  $S_{\infty} = (S_k)$ . But such groups can be classified.

$\implies$  The complex analogue of this is not known yet.

# Projective spaces 1/2

Theorem. The projective spaces of our 9 geometries collapse to

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} P_+^{N-1} & \longrightarrow & P_+^{N-1} & \longrightarrow & P_+^{N-1} \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ P_{\mathbb{C}}^{N-1} & \longrightarrow & P_{\mathbb{C}}^{N-1} & \longrightarrow & P_{\mathbb{C}}^{N-1} \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ P_{\mathbb{R}}^{N-1} & \longrightarrow & P_{\mathbb{R}}^{N-1} & \longrightarrow & P_{\mathbb{C}}^{N-1} \end{array}$$

where  $P_+^{N-1}$  is the free projective space,  $P_{\mathbb{R},+}^{N-1} = P_{\mathbb{C},+}^{N-1}$ .

$\implies$  Interesting trichotomy here, "real, complex, free".

## Projective spaces 2/2

Definition. A monomial space is a subset  $P \subset P_+^{N-1}$  obtained via

$$p_{i_1 i_2} \cdots p_{i_{k-1} i_k} = p_{i_{\sigma(1)} i_{\sigma(2)}} \cdots p_{i_{\sigma(k-1)} i_{\sigma(k)}}, \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, N\}^k$$

with  $\sigma$  ranging over a subset of  $\bigcup_{k \in 2\mathbb{N}} S_k$ , stable under  $\sigma \rightarrow |\sigma|$ .

Theorem. We have only 3 monomial projective spaces, namely:

$$P_{\mathbb{R}}^{N-1} \subset P_{\mathbb{C}}^{N-1} \subset P_+^{N-1}$$

$\implies$  How to axiomatize the quadruplets  $(P, PT, PU, PK)$ ?

# Twisting

By Schur-Weyl twisting we obtain potential geometries as follows,

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbb{R}_+^N & \longrightarrow & \text{TR}_+^N & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}_+^N \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \bar{\mathbb{R}}_*^N & \longrightarrow & \text{T}\bar{\mathbb{R}}_*^N & \longrightarrow & \bar{\mathbb{C}}_*^N \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \bar{\mathbb{R}}^N & \longrightarrow & \text{T}\bar{\mathbb{R}}^N & \longrightarrow & \bar{\mathbb{C}}^N \end{array}$$

but the axioms must be fine-tuned, e.g. due to QISO problems.

# Intersections

An interesting problem is that of intersecting the twisted and untwisted geometries. There are  $9 \times 9 = 81$  cases here.

In the real case we only have  $3 \times 3 = 9$  cases. The spheres are non-smooth, "polygonal", and the QISO groups are

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} O_N & \longrightarrow & O_N^* & \longrightarrow & O_N^+ \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ H_N & \longrightarrow & H_N^{[\infty]} & \longrightarrow & \bar{O}_N^* \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ H_N^+ & \longrightarrow & H_N & \longrightarrow & \bar{O}_N \end{array}$$

where  $H_N^* \subset H_N^{[\infty]} \subset H_N^+$  is the standard higher liberation of  $H_N$ .

## Other extensions

Besides twisting, and taking intersections, we have:

- (1) Super-easiness.
- (2) Partition quantum groups.
- (3) Other easiness-related theories.
- (4) Other types of noncommutative spheres.

# Conclusion

We have 9 main examples of geometries, as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbb{R}_+^N & \longrightarrow & \text{TR}_+^N & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}_+^N \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{R}_*^N & \longrightarrow & \text{TR}_*^N & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}_*^N \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{R}^N & \longrightarrow & \text{TR}^N & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}^N \end{array}$$

The problem now is that of "developing" these geometries.