

# Von Neumann - algebras and the Connes fusion tensor product

$H$  complex Hilbert space

$\mathcal{B}(H)$  bounded op's on  $H$

Def.:  $M \subset \mathcal{B}(H)$  is a von Neumann-algebra iff it is a unital  $*$ -subalgebra of  $\mathcal{B}(H)$  that is closed in the weak operator topology.

Note: weak topology is generated by seminorms  $a \mapsto |\langle a, \eta \rangle| \quad \forall \zeta, \eta \in H$

Def.: Given  $S \subset \mathcal{B}(H)$ , the commutant  $S'$  of  $S$  is given by

$$S' := \{ \alpha \in \mathcal{B}(H) \mid \alpha s = s \alpha \quad \forall s \in S \}$$

Thm.: (von Neumann - Bicommutant theorem):

$$M \subset \mathcal{B}(H) \text{ von Neumann-algebra} \iff M'' = M.$$

(„Every von Neumann - alg. arises as a commutant of something.“)

Ex.:  $M = \mathcal{B}(H)$  is a von Neumann-algebra.

Ex.: Let  $G$  be a discrete, countable group. Take  $H = \ell^2(G)$ , then

$$M = (\mathbb{C}G)'' \text{ is a von Neumann-algebra}$$

↑  
taken in the bounded op's  
on  $\ell^2(G)$

Ex.:  $(X, \mu)$  measure space

$$H = L^2(X, \mu)$$

$M = L^\infty(X, \mu)$  acts on  $H$  by left multiplication and is a commutative von Neumann-algebra

Thm.: Every commutative vNa arises in that way for some measure space  $X$ .

philosophy: Think of vNa's as a non-commutative version of measure theory.

## Factors and Type Classification

Def.: The center  $Z$  of a  $\ast$ -Na  $M$  is given by  $Z = M \cap M'$  and is itself a commutative  $\ast$ -Na.

A von Neumann-algebra with trivial center is called a factor.

Why are factors interesting?

- $Z$  is a comm.  $\ast$ -Na  $\Rightarrow Z \cong L^\infty(X, \mu)$

If  $\mu$  is discrete, then...

$$M \cong \bigoplus_{i \in I} M_i \quad \text{where all } M_i \text{ are factors}$$

... else use direct integral decomposition...

$$M \cong \int_X^{\oplus} M_x \, d\mu(x) \quad \text{where } M_x \text{ is a factor for all } x \in X$$

$\rightsquigarrow$  Factors are "building blocks" of general  $\ast$ -Na's

- Consider projections  $p \in M$  with  $p = p^\ast = p^2$

- Take  $x \in M$  self-adjoint element and let

$$x = \int_a^b \lambda \, dE_\lambda \quad \text{be its spectral decomposition, then } E_\lambda \in M \quad \forall \lambda \in [a, b]$$

$\Rightarrow M$  always contains projections

(Indeed: Every  $\ast$ -Na is the norm-closed linear span of its projections.)

Idea: Instead of subspaces of  $H$ , consider projections in  $M$  and generalize the theory of dimension.

equivalence of projections: Let  $e, f \in M$  be proj.

$$e \sim f \text{ iff } \exists u \in M \text{ with } u^\ast u = e, uu^\ast = f$$

$\uparrow$   
partial isometry

$\rightsquigarrow$  induces partial ordering on projections

$$e \prec f \text{ iff } \exists e_0 \sim e \text{ s.t. } e_0 \text{ is a subproj. of } f$$

Thm.: If  $M$  is a factor, this is an ordering.

Def.: A projection  $e \in M$  is called finite, if  $e$  is not equivalent to any proper subprojection of  $e$ .

Def.: A factor  $M$  is of

- type I, if there exists a non-zero minimal projection in  $M$ ,
- type II, if  $M$  contains non-zero finite projections and is not of type I,
- type III, if no non-zero projection in  $M$  is finite.

A factor  $M$  is called finite, if  $1 \in M$  is finite.

Thm.:  $M$  finite factor  $\Rightarrow \exists!$  faithful, normal (i.e. weakly continuous) tracial state on  $M$  (for short: a trace on  $M$ )

• type  $I_n$ : trace takes discrete values on the proj.

$$\text{tr}(e) \in \{0, \dots, \dim_{\mathbb{C}} H\}$$

" (n = ∞ allowed)

• type  $II_1$ : trace takes continuous values on the proj.

$$\text{tr}(e) \in [0, 1]$$

• For type  $II_{\infty}$  there still is a replacement for  $\text{tr}$ , that fulfills

$$\text{tr}(e) \in [0, \infty]$$

• For type III: no trace at all! But finer classification via modular theory.  $\rightsquigarrow$  leads to type  $III_{\lambda}$  with  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$

Def.: A factor  $M$  is called hyperfinite if

$$M = \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} M_i \right)'' \quad \text{for an increasing sequence } M_1 \subset M_2 \subset \dots$$

of finite dimensional von Neumann-algebras

All hyperfinite factors have been classified:

• type  $I_n$ :  $M = \mathcal{B}(H)$  with  $n = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} H$

• type  $II_1$ : Group von Neumann algebras. All isomorphic!

• type  $II_{\infty}$ :  $I_{\infty} \otimes II_1$

• type  $III_0$ : the Krieger factor

• type  $III_{\lambda}$  for  $\lambda \in ]0, 1[$ : the Powers factor

• type  $III_1$ : The local fermions defined by Wassermann. All isomorphic

construction of the hyperfinite  $\text{II}_1$ -factor

start with  $M_{1 \times 1}(\mathbb{C})$ , embed it into  $M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{C})$  via

$$x \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & x \end{pmatrix}$$

s.t.h. the trace on  $M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{C})$  is given by  $\text{tr}_2 \circ i = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}_1$

continue like that embedding  $M_{2^n \times 2^n}$  into  $M_{2^{n+1} \times 2^{n+1}}$

Take weak closure on direct limit

$\rightsquigarrow$  trace takes values in  $[0, 1]$

## Modular Theory (aka: Tomita - Takesaki theory)

Def.:  $M \subset \mathcal{B}(H_0) \vee Na$ .  $H_0$  is called vacuum representation or standard form, if  $\exists \Omega \in H_0$  that is cyclic for  $M$  and for  $M'$ .

• Consider the (unbounded), anti-linear op. given by

$$S_0 a \Omega = a^* \Omega \rightsquigarrow \text{closable } S = \overline{S_0}$$

Take polar decomposition, since  $S$  is anti-linear, this looks like

$$S = J \cdot \Delta^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad \text{with } J \text{ anti-unitary} \\ \text{and } \Delta \text{ positive, self-adjoint.}$$

Ex.: For  $M$  being a type  $II_1$ -factor,  $\exists \text{tr}: M \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .

tr yields a vacuum repr. via the GNS-construction, vacuum vec.  $\Omega$

$$a, b \in M \quad \langle b \Omega, S^* S a \Omega \rangle = \langle b^* \Omega, a^* \Omega \rangle = \text{tr}(b a^*) = \text{tr}(a^* b) \\ = \overline{\text{tr}(b^* a)} = \overline{\langle b \Omega, a \Omega \rangle}$$

$\Rightarrow S$  is anti-unitary

$\Rightarrow \Delta = 1$  by uniqueness of polar decomp.

Rem.:  $J^2 = 1$ , functional calculus lets you define  $\Delta^{it}$  and  $\Delta^{-it}$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$

Now...

Thm. (Tomita - Takesaki):  $M \vee Na$  with vac. rep.  $(H_0, \Omega)$ , then

$$J M J = M' \\ \Delta^{it} M \Delta^{-it} = M \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$$

Rem.:  $J$  turns  $H_0$  into an  $M$ - $M$ -bimodule. Let  $\pi$  be the vac. rep. of  $M$ ,

$$\text{then: } \pi^{\text{op}}(a) = \underbrace{J \pi(a)^* J}_{\in M^{\text{op}}}$$

$$\bullet J \Omega = \Delta \Omega = \Omega$$

• For a dense subset of  $M$  (the entire analytic elements)

$$\sigma(a) = \Delta^{\frac{1}{2}} a \Delta^{-\frac{1}{2}} \in M$$

Now for  $\varphi_\Omega(a) = \langle \Omega, a\Omega \rangle$  one has

$$\varphi_\Omega(ba) = \varphi_\Omega(\sigma^{-1}(a)\sigma(b))$$

( $\varphi_\Omega$  is called vacuum state)

Thus the modular operator measures "how much" the vacuum state differs from a trace state.

• Thm: If multiples of  $\Omega$  are the only vectors that are fixed by the modular flow, then  $M$  is a type  $\text{III}_1$ -factor.

• In analogy to the commutative case, the vac. rep. shall be denoted by  $H_0 = L^2(M)$

### Tensor products of vNa's

• two Hilbert spaces:  $H_1, H_2$

Hilbert space tensor product  $H_1 \otimes H_2$  is the completion of the algebraic tensor product  $H_1 \odot H_2$  w.r.t. the norm...

$$\langle \xi_1 \otimes \eta_1, \xi_2 \otimes \eta_2 \rangle = \langle \xi_1, \xi_2 \rangle_{H_1} \cdot \langle \eta_1, \eta_2 \rangle_{H_2}, \quad \begin{array}{l} \xi_i \in H_1 \\ \eta_i \in H_2 \end{array}$$

• Consider two vNa's  $N$  and  $M$ , now  $N \odot M$  inherits a  $*$ -algebraic structure

$$\begin{aligned} n_1 \otimes m_1 \cdot n_2 \otimes m_2 &= n_1 \cdot n_2 \otimes m_1 \cdot m_2 & n_i \in N \\ (n \otimes m)^* &= n^* \otimes m^* & m_i \in M \end{aligned}$$

Now consider  $\pi: N \odot M \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_N \otimes H_M)$

with  $N \subset \mathcal{B}(H_N)$

$$\pi(n \otimes m)(\xi \otimes \eta) = n\xi \otimes m\eta \quad \text{and } M \subset \mathcal{B}(H_M)$$

Now define:  $N \otimes M = \pi(N \odot M)^{\text{''}}$  - the so-called spatial tensor product of vNa's

# The many faces of Connes' fusion

Goal: Find the "right tensor product" for  $vNa$ -bimodules

Remember:  $H$  is called an  $M$ - $N$ -bimodule (with two  $vNa$ 's  $M, N$ ) if it is a left module over  $M$  and a right module over  $N$ , where the module actions are given by weakly continuous,  $*$ -preserving, unital homomorphisms:

$$\pi_M: M \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H)$$

$$\pi_N^{op}: N^{op} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H)$$

$\uparrow$   $vNa$  with the opposite multiplication

Tensor product of an  $M$ - $N$ -bimod.  $H_1$  and an  $N$ - $L$ -bimod.  $H_2$  should have "nice properties"

$$\text{ex. of a nice property: } \xi \cdot \eta \boxtimes \zeta = \xi \boxtimes \zeta \cdot \eta, \quad \xi \in H_1, \eta \in H_2, \zeta \in N$$

First construction by Jones et al. for type  $II_\lambda$ -factors  $\rightsquigarrow$  relative tensor product

Def: Let  $H_1$  be an  $M$ - $N$ -bimodule with actions  $\pi_M, \pi_N^{op}$ .

$$\text{then } \mathcal{H}_1 = \{ t: L^2(N) \rightarrow H_1 \mid t \cdot \pi_{N,0}^{op} = \pi_N^{op} \cdot t \}$$

$\uparrow$   
vacuum rep. of  $N^{op}$

denote the intertwiners between  $\pi_{N,0}^{op}$  and  $\pi_N^{op}$ .

$$\text{Ex: } \mathcal{L}^2(N) = \{ t: L^2(N) \rightarrow L^2(N) \mid t \pi_{N,0}^{op} = \pi_{N,0}^{op} \cdot t \} = N'' = N$$

$$\pi_{N,0}^{op}(n) = J \pi_{N,0}(n)^* J \in N'$$

Note that  $\mathcal{H}_1$  can be turned into a right Hilbert module over  $N$  with inner product...

$$\langle t, s \rangle = t^* s \in \mathcal{L}^2(N) = N$$

Def: Given an  $M$ - $N$ -bimod.  $H_1$  and an  $N$ - $L$ -bimod.  $H_2$ , then the Connes fusion of the two is given by the completion of  $\mathcal{H}_1 \odot H_2$  w.r.t. the inner product

$$\langle t \otimes \xi, s \otimes \eta \rangle = \langle \xi, (t, s) \cdot \eta \rangle_{H_2}, \quad \begin{array}{l} s, t \in \mathcal{H}_1 \\ \xi, \eta \in H_2 \end{array}$$

It is denoted by  $H_1 \boxtimes H_2$ .

Note that:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \langle t_n \otimes \xi - t \otimes n \cdot \xi, t_n \otimes \xi - t \otimes n \xi \rangle \\
&= \langle \xi, (t_n, t_n) \xi \rangle - \langle n \xi, (t, t_n) \xi \rangle - \langle \xi, (t_n, t) n \xi \rangle + \langle n \xi, (t, t) n \xi \rangle \\
&= 0 \\
\Rightarrow t_n \otimes \xi &= t \otimes n \xi \quad \text{Connes fusion has "nice property".}
\end{aligned}$$

Ex.: Take weakly cont., unital,  $*$ -preserving homomorphism of vNa's

$$g: L \longrightarrow N.$$

$L^2(g)$  is  $N$ - $N$ -bimodule  $L^2(N)$  considered as  $L$ - $N$ -bimodule with left action...

$$s(l) \cdot \zeta \quad \text{for } l \in L, \zeta \in L^2(N).$$

Let  $H$  be an  $N$ - $M$ -bimodule and  $\tilde{H}$  be the corresponding  $L$ - $M$ -bimodule with left action

$$s(l) \cdot \eta \quad \text{for } l \in L, \eta \in H.$$

Thm:  $L^2(g) \otimes H \cong \tilde{H}$ .

Proof:  $L^2(g) = L^2(N) = N$

$$\begin{aligned}
\varphi: L^2(g) \otimes H &\longrightarrow \tilde{H} \\
n \otimes \eta &\longmapsto n \cdot \eta
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\psi: \tilde{H} &\longrightarrow L^2(g) \otimes H && \text{extend to an isomorphism.} \\
\eta &\longmapsto 1 \otimes \eta
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore: •  $L^2(g) \otimes L^2(\sigma) = L^2(\sigma \circ g)$  for  $\sigma: N \rightarrow M$   
 $g: L \rightarrow N$

• Taking  $g = \text{id}$ ,  $L = N \Rightarrow L^2(N) \otimes H \cong H$   
for any  $N$ - $M$ -bimodule  $H$

Problem: Identify vectors in  $H_1 \otimes H_2$  in terms of the tensor product  $H_1 \otimes H_2$ .



## Symmetric form of Connes fusion

$H_1$   $M$ - $N$ -bimodule

$H_2$   $N$ - $L$ -bimodule

$$\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_2 = \{ s : L^2(N) \rightarrow H_2 \mid s \pi_{N,0} = \pi_N s \} \quad \text{therefore : } s_1^* s_2 \in N^{op}$$

Now take completion of ...

$\mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_2$  w.r.t. inner product

$$\langle t_1 \otimes s_1, t_2 \otimes s_2 \rangle = \langle t_2^* t_1 \cdot \Omega \cdot s_2^* s_1, \Omega \rangle_{L^2(N)}$$

... using the inclusion  $i_\Omega$  one gets...

$\mathcal{H}_1 \Omega \otimes \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_2 \Omega$  with symmetric Connes relation...

$$\xi \Delta^{-\frac{1}{4}} n \Delta^{\frac{1}{4}} \otimes \eta = \xi \otimes \Delta^{\frac{1}{4}} n \Delta^{-\frac{1}{4}} \cdot \eta \quad \text{for } \xi \in \mathcal{H}_1 \Omega$$

$$\eta \in \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_2 \Omega$$

$n$  entire element in  $N$

A. Wassermann "four point-formula"

## Connes fusion and the algebraic tensor product

- $H_1$   $M$ - $N$ -bimodule, left action  $\pi_M$ , right action  $\pi_N^{op}$

Choose cyclic and sep. (vacuum) vector  $\Omega \in L^2(N)$

$$\text{inclusion } i_\Omega : \mathcal{H}_1 \longrightarrow H_1 \quad (\text{not canonical, depends on choice of } \Omega)$$

$$t \longmapsto t\Omega$$

$$\text{Now: } \pi_N^{op}(x) t\Omega = t \pi_{N,o}^{op}(x) \Omega = t \int \pi_{N,o}(x)^* \int \Omega$$

$\uparrow$  intertwining prop.                       $\uparrow$  Def.

$$= t \int \underbrace{\Delta^{\frac{1}{2}}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{invariance} \\ \text{of } \Omega}} \Delta^{-\frac{1}{2}} \pi_{N,o}(x)^* \Delta^{\frac{1}{2}} \Omega$$

$$= t \int (\Delta^{\frac{1}{2}} \pi_{N,o}(x) \Delta^{-\frac{1}{2}})^* \Omega$$

$$= t \Delta^{\frac{1}{2}} \pi_{N,o}(x) \Delta^{-\frac{1}{2}} \Omega \quad \text{for every entire element } x \in N$$

$$\Rightarrow i_\Omega(t) \cdot x = i_\Omega(t\sigma(x)) \quad \text{with } \sigma(x) = \Delta^{\frac{1}{2}} x \Delta^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

So, instead of above definition, take  $\mathcal{H}_1 \Omega \otimes H_2$  with

$$H_1 \quad (\mathcal{H}_1 \Omega = \text{im } i_\Omega)$$

$$\text{Connes relation: } \xi \cdot x \otimes \eta = \xi \otimes \sigma(x) \cdot \eta \quad x \in N, \xi \in \text{im } i_\Omega, \eta \in H_2$$

Remark:  $\mathcal{H}_1 \Omega$  is not  $H_1$ , but the set of  $\omega$ -bounded vectors for

$$\omega(n) = \langle \Omega, n\Omega \rangle_{L^2(N)}$$

$$\xi \in \text{im } i_\Omega \text{ is } \omega\text{-bounded iff } \exists C > 0, \text{ s.t. } \|\xi x\|_{H_1}^2 \leq C \cdot \omega(n^*n)$$

- If  $\Delta = 1$  (for type I or type II<sub>1</sub>-factors), then  $\sigma = \text{id}$

$\Rightarrow$  Connes fusion reduces to an algebraic tensor product of bimodules.

Remember the bi-category  $\mathcal{D}_n$  (sketchy)

- objects: 0-dim spin mfd.  $Z$
- morphisms: - spin diffeo.  $Z_1 \rightarrow Z_2$   
 - one-dim. spin mfd.  $Y$  s.th.  $\partial Y = \overline{Z_1} \sqcup Z_2$
- 2-morphisms: - either spin diffeo. rel. boundary with element  $c \in C(Y_1)^{\otimes n}$   
 - conf. spin surface  $\Sigma$  with  $\psi \in \text{Falg}(\Sigma)$

enriched elliptic object should functor this to...

The bicategory  $\mathcal{VN}$  of von Neumann-algebras

- objects: von Neumann-algebras
- morphisms: A morphism from  $N$  to  $M$  is an  $M$ - $N$ -bimodule
- composition: given by Connes fusion

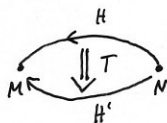
$$M \xleftarrow{H_1} N \xleftarrow{H_2} L = M \xleftarrow{H_1 \boxtimes H_2} L$$

- trivial element given by  $L^2(N)$
- Connes' fusion is associative up to isomorphisms.

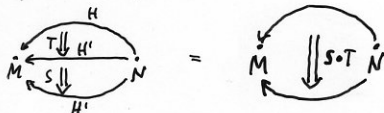
- 2-morphisms:

Given by Intertwiners:  $H, H'$   $M$ - $N$ -bimodules

$$T \in \mathcal{B}_{M,N}(H, H') = \{ T: H \rightarrow H' \text{ bounded} \mid T \pi_M = \pi'_M T \text{ and } T \pi_N^{op} = \pi_N^{op} T \}$$



composition of intertwiners  
by operator composition

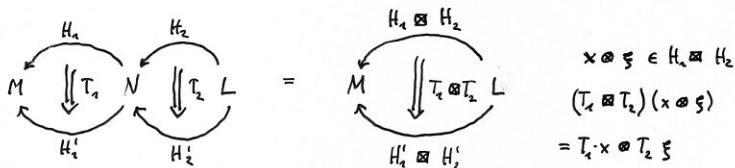


extended gluing lemma: There is a unique unitary isometry of  $C(Y_3)$ - $C(Y_1)$ -bimodules

$$F(\Sigma_2) \boxtimes_{A(Y_2)} F(\Sigma_1) \xrightarrow{\cong} F(\Sigma_3)$$

mapping  $\Omega_2 \otimes \Omega_1$  to  $\Omega_3$

... further more ...



### Adjunction transformations in $\mathcal{VN}$

• three involutions

$N \mapsto N^{op}$  on objects

$H \mapsto \bar{H}$  on morphisms, where  $\bar{H}$  is the conjugate bimodule with module actions

$\nearrow$   
 $M-N$   
 -bimod.

$\uparrow$   
 $N-M$   
 -bimod.

$$n \cdot \bar{\xi} \cdot m = \overline{m^* \cdot \xi \cdot n^*} \quad \xi \in H$$

$T \mapsto T^*$  on 2-morphisms with the usual adjunction

In view of the adjunctions in the geometric category we would like to have...

$$\mathcal{VN}(\mathbb{C}, A_1 \otimes A_2) \longrightarrow \mathcal{VN}(A_1^{op}, A_2) \quad \text{on morphisms}$$

$$\mathcal{VN}(\mathbb{C}, F_2 \otimes_A F_1) \longrightarrow \mathcal{VN}(\bar{F}_2, F_1) \quad \text{on 2-morphisms}$$

For  $F_1$  a  $A_1 \otimes A_2 - \mathbb{C}$ -bimodule

$F_2$  a  $\mathbb{C} - (A_1 \otimes A_2)^{op}$ -bimodule, both lying in the pre-image of the first map

set  $A := A_1 \otimes A_2$

Consider:

intertwiners of the  $A$ -action

$$\Theta: \mathbb{F}_2 \otimes F_1 \longrightarrow \mathcal{B}_A(\bar{\mathbb{F}}_2, F_1)$$

$$x \otimes \eta \longmapsto \mathcal{V}_{x, \eta}$$

$$\text{with } \mathcal{V}_{x, \eta}(\bar{y}) = (y, x) \eta$$

$$\text{and } \bar{x} = x \cdot J$$

Take  $x$  that fulfills

$$x \pi_{A,0}^{op}(a) = \pi_{A,0}^{op}(a) x, \text{ then ...}$$

$$\bar{x} \pi_{A,0}(a) = x J \cdot J \pi_{A,0}^{op}(a)^* J = \pi_{A,0}^{op}(a)^* x J$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{x} \pi_{A,0}(a) = \pi_{A,0}^{op}(a) \bar{x} \Rightarrow (x \in \mathbb{F}_2 \Rightarrow \bar{x} \in \bar{\mathbb{F}}_2)$$

•  $\mathcal{D}_{x, \varrho}(\bar{y})$  is  $A$ -linear map (simple comp., using definitions)

$\Rightarrow \Theta$  is well-defined

•  $\Theta$  is an isometry (shown in Stolz-Teichner for type III-factors)

$$\text{so... } \Theta: F_2 \boxtimes F_1 \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{B}_A(\bar{F}_2, F_1) \quad (?)$$

## Interesting subcategories of $\mathcal{VN}$

- Fix an object  $N \in \text{obj}(\mathcal{VN})$ , type III<sub>1</sub>-factor

Consider (weakly cont., unital,  $*$ -preserving) endomorphisms of  $N$

$$\rho: N \rightarrow N$$

Each  $\rho$  induces via  $L^2(\rho)$  - another  $N$ - $N$ -bimodule

fusion  $\rightsquigarrow$  composition

leads to  $\rightsquigarrow$

monoidal  
or tensor  
categories

direct sum  
decomp.

$\rightsquigarrow$  "direct sums" of endomorphisms

Leads to fusion rules:  $\rho \circ \sigma = \bigoplus_{\lambda \in \mathcal{G}} N_{\lambda \rho}^{\sigma} \cdot \rho$   
 $\uparrow$  multiplicities

If you take a net of factors instead of a single and demand localizability of endomorphisms you get so-called "fusion rules" of superselection sectors from algebraic quantum field theory.

- Jones extension

Take two factors  $A \subset B$ , where  $B$  arises from  $A$  by the "Jones basic construction"

all morphisms generated by iterated fusion of  $L^2(B)$ , which is an  $A$ - $B$ -bimodule

subfactor has finite Jones index  $\Leftrightarrow F \boxtimes_B \bar{F}$  and  $\bar{F} \boxtimes_A F$   
contain the vacuum rep. only once.

$\rightsquigarrow$  important for • Classification of CFTs  
• invariants of 3-mfds.

## Local fermions (sketchy)

- $H$  complex Hilbert space

$\text{Cliff}(H)$  generated by  $a(f)$ ,  $f \in H$

$$a(f)a(g) + a(g)a(f) = 0$$

$$a(f)a(g)^* + a(g)^*a(f) = (f, g)$$

acts on  $\wedge H$   $\pi(a(f))\xi = f \wedge \xi$

$$c(f) = a(f) + a(f)^*$$

fulfills  $c(f)c(g) + c(g)c(f) = 2\text{Re}(f, g)$

Take projection  $p$  into  $H$

representation  $\pi_p(a(f)) = \frac{1}{2}(c(f) - ic(i(2p-1)f))$  on  $\wedge H$

is again irreducible

Now take  $H = L^2(S^1) \otimes V$ ,  $V = \mathbb{C}^N$

$p$  orthog. proj. onto the Hardy space  $H^2(S^1) \otimes V$

$\pi_p$  corr. irr. rep.

... then  $M(I) = \pi_p(a(f))''$  with  $f \in L^2(I, V)$

is a (net of) von Neumann  $\ast$ -algebra(s)

properties:  $I^c = S^1 \setminus \bar{I}$

- vacuum vector  $\Omega$  is cyclic and sep. for each  $M(I)$
- modular group acts geometrically

Let  $\Gamma$  be upper semi-circle,

$$(u_t f)(z) = (z \sinh \pi t + \cosh \pi t)^{-1} \cdot f\left(\frac{z \cdot \cosh \pi t + \sinh \pi t}{z \cdot \sinh \pi t + \cosh \pi t}\right)$$

"Möbius flow"

$$\Delta^{it} \pi_p(a(f)) \Delta^{-it} = \pi_p(a(u_t f)) \quad \forall f \in H$$

- modular conjugation acts geometrically
  - $F$  is "flip"  $F(f(z)) = z^{-1} f(z^{-1})$
  - $K$  Klein transformation (?)

$$J \pi_p(a(f)) J = K^{-1} \pi_p(a(Ff)) K, \quad J M(I) J = M(I^c)$$