

An analogue of Serre's Conjecture

and

Control Theory

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Theorem

$\mathcal{M}_+$  is a projective free ring.

$$\mathcal{M}_+ = \{ \text{complex Borel measures on } [0, +\infty) \}$$

Projective free ring?

Control Theory?

## Projective free?

$R$  is projective free

$\Leftrightarrow$  every finitely generated projective  $R$ -module is free

$\swarrow$   $M \oplus N \cong R^n$   $\searrow$   $M \cong R^n$

$\Leftrightarrow \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad \forall P \in R^{n \times n} \text{ s.t. } P^2 = P,$   
 $\exists S \in R^{n \times n} \text{ s.t. } S^{-1} P S = \begin{bmatrix} I_k & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ for some } k \geq 0$

"Every projection can be diagonalized."

## Examples.

(1)  $\mathbb{C}$

$$P \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n} \text{ s.t. } P^2 = P$$

$\ker P$

$\text{ran } P$

$\underbrace{v_1, \dots, v_k}_{\text{eig. } 0}$

$\underbrace{v_{k+1}, \dots, v_n}_{\text{eig. } 1}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} y = Px \\ Py = P^2x = Px = y \end{pmatrix}$$

(2)  $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$

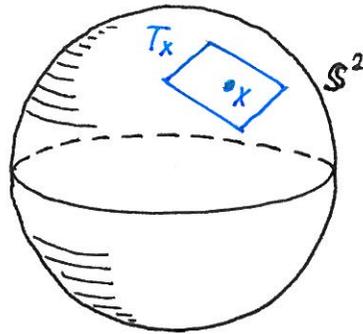
Serre's Conjecture 1955

( $k$  field)

Quillen/Suslin Theorem 1976

## Non-example

$C(S^2; \mathbb{R})$



$P :=$  projection on  $T_x$ ,  $x \in S^2$

$$S^{-1}PS = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Pv = v \quad \text{⚡}$$

↑  
first column of  $S$ ,

never zero on  $S^2$

Hairy Ball Theorem

## Control Theory

$$u \mapsto y$$

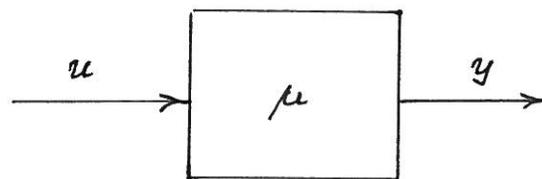
$$u, y: [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$y = \mu * u$$

output

impulse  
response

input



$\mathcal{M}_+$  :=  $\{ \mu : \mu \text{ is a complex Borel measure on } \mathbb{R} \text{ with } \text{supp } \mu \subset [0, \infty) \}$

$(\mathcal{M}_+, +, *, \|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{M}_+})$  is a Banach algebra with  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{M}_+}$  given by

$$\|\mu\|_{\mathcal{M}_+} = \sup \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\mu(E_n)| \quad \text{where } E_n \text{ are all Borel sets s.t.}$$

$$\bigcup_{n \geq 1} E_n = [0, \infty) \quad \text{and}$$

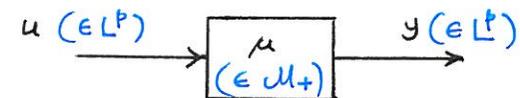
$$E_n \neq E_m \text{ for } n \neq m.$$

$\mathcal{M}_+$  is a class of stable impulse responses:

$\mu \in \mathcal{M}_+ \Rightarrow$  "nice" inputs are mapped to "nice" outputs

If  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  and  $u \in L^p[0, \infty)$ , then  $y \in L^p[0, \infty)$ .

Moreover, 
$$\sup_{0 \neq u \in L^p} \frac{\|y\|_p}{\|u\|_p} \leq \|\mu\|_{\mathcal{M}_+}.$$



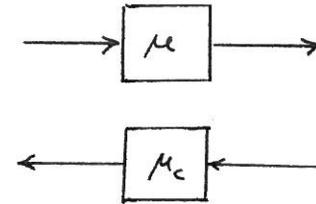
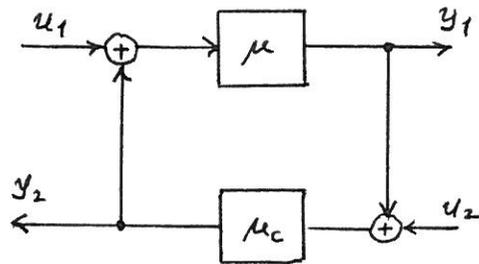
Stable systems :  $\mu \in \mathcal{M}_+$

Non stable systems :  $\mu \in \mathbb{F}(\mathcal{M}_+) = \left\{ \frac{n}{d} : n, d \in \mathcal{M}_+, d \neq 0 \right\}$ .

Stabilization problem : Given  $\mu \in \mathbb{F}(\mathcal{M}_+)$ ,

find  $\mu_c \in \mathbb{F}(\mathcal{M}_+)$

s.t.  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\mu}{1-\mu\mu_c} & \frac{\mu\mu_c}{1-\mu\mu_c} \\ \frac{\mu\mu_c}{1-\mu\mu_c} & \frac{\mu_c}{1-\mu\mu_c} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{M}_+^{2 \times 2}$ .



Role of projective freeness.

$\mu$  has a coprime factorization  $\Rightarrow \mu$  is stabilizable

$\left( \mu = \frac{n}{d} \text{ where } n, d \in \mathcal{M}_+, d \neq 0 \text{ and} \right.$

$\Leftarrow \left( \mu_c := -\frac{x}{y} \right)$

$\exists x, y \in \mathcal{M}_+ \text{ s.t. } nx + dy = \delta$  )

holds  
if  $\mathcal{M}_+$  is projective free (A. Quadrat 2003)

## Projective freeness of Banach algebras

Theorem (Brudnyi-S., 2010)

$M(\mathcal{R})$  is contractible  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{R}$  is projective free

$M(\mathcal{R}) = \{ \text{multiplicative nontrivial linear functionals on } \mathcal{R} \}$

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$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{R}; \mathbb{C})$  weak-\* topology

Theorem (A. Sasane, 2010)

$M(\mathcal{M}_+)$  is contractible.

Corollaries

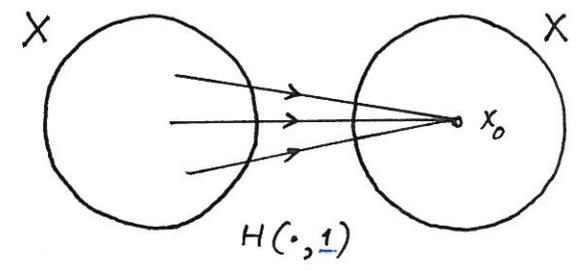
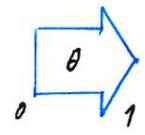
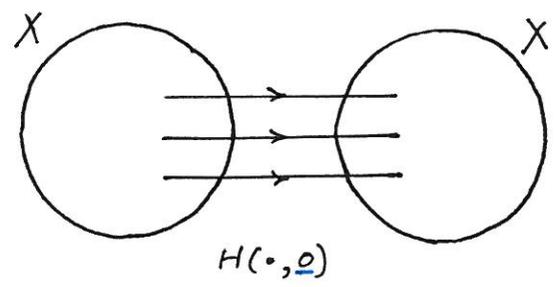
(1)  $\mathcal{M}_+$  is projective free.

(2)  $\mu$  is stabilizable  $\Leftrightarrow \mu$  has a coprime factorization.

A topological space  $X$  is contractible if

$\exists x_0 \in X$  and a continuous  $H: X \times \underbrace{[0,1]}_{\theta} \rightarrow X$  such that

$$\left. \begin{aligned} H(x, 0) &= x \\ H(x, 1) &= x_0 \end{aligned} \right\} \forall x \in X$$

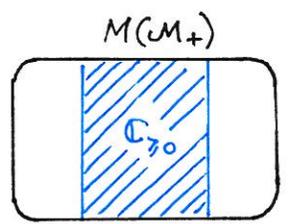


$$\varphi \in M(\mathcal{M}_+)$$

$$\theta \in [0, 1]$$

$$(H(\varphi, \theta))(\mu) := \varphi(\mu_\theta)$$

$$d\mu_\theta(t) = (1-\theta)^t d\mu(t)$$



$$H(\underline{s}, \theta)$$

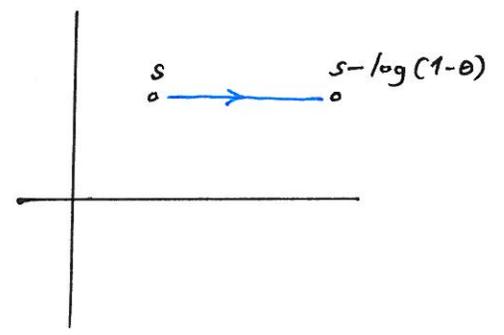
$$\mu \xrightarrow{\underline{s}} \hat{\mu}(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-st} d\mu(t)$$

$$(H(\underline{s}, \theta))(\mu) = \underline{s}(\mu_\theta)$$

$$= \int_0^\infty e^{-st} (1-\theta)^t d\mu(t)$$

$$= \int_0^\infty e^{-(s - \log(1-\theta))t} d\mu(t)$$

$$= \underline{(s - \log(1-\theta))}(\mu).$$



$$\theta = 0$$

$$H(\underline{s}, 0) = \underline{s}$$

$$\theta \nearrow 1$$

$$-\log(1-\theta) \nearrow +\infty$$

$$H(\underline{s}, \theta) \longrightarrow \underline{+\infty}$$

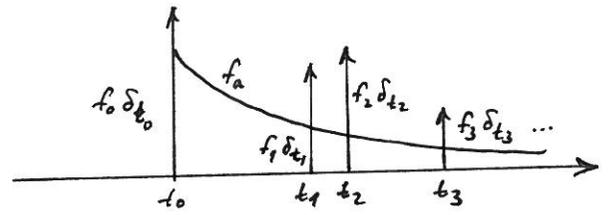
$$\mu \xrightarrow{+\infty} \lim_{s \rightarrow +\infty} \hat{\mu}(s).$$

□

$$\mathbb{R} \subset \mathcal{M}_+$$

Banach subalgebra of  $\mathcal{M}_+$

closed under  $\mu \mapsto \mu_\theta, 0 \leq \theta \leq 1$ .



Examples:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_+ &:= \{ \mu \in \mathcal{M}_+ : \mu \text{ does not have a singular nonatomic part} \} \\ &= \left\{ f_a + \sum_{k \geq 0} f_k \delta_{t_k} : f_a \in L^1[0, \infty), (f_k)_{k \geq 0} \in \ell^1, 0 = t_0 < t_1, t_2, t_3, \dots \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

$$APW_+ := \left\{ \sum_{k \geq 0} f_k \delta_{t_k} : (f_k)_{k \geq 0} \in \ell^1, 0 = t_0 < t_1, t_2, t_3, \dots \right\}$$

$$L^1[0, \infty) + \mathbb{C} \delta_0$$