

# Relative Cuntz–Pimsner algebras: Classification and Applications

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Operator algebras that one can see

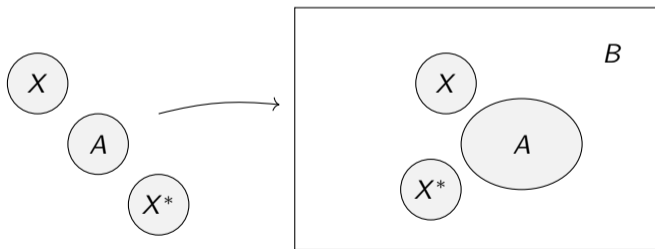
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Correspondence = bimodule + pairing:

(  $X = \text{linear space} \mid A = \text{operator alg}$  ) :

$$X^*X = \langle X|X \rangle \subseteq A, \quad AX \subseteq X, \quad XA \subseteq X.$$

**Question:** various realisations in ambient algs ?



$\implies$  Which ones and how many of such exist?

$\implies$  Can we classify / parametrise them?

**Why:** Insight into ideal structures!

**Systematic approach:** classify kernel / cokernel morphism:

$$0 \longrightarrow (XK, K) \longrightarrow (X, A) \longrightarrow \left(\frac{X}{XK}, \frac{A}{K}\right) \longrightarrow 0$$

Faithful embedding:

$$K = \ker(A \rightarrow B) : \quad (X, A) \longrightarrow \left(\frac{X}{XK}, \frac{A}{K}\right) \subseteq (Y, B)$$

General morphisms:  $(\tau, \varphi) : (X, A) \longrightarrow (Y, B) :$

$$\varphi(x^*x) = \tau(x)^*\tau(y) \quad \varphi(a)\tau(x) = \tau(ax) \quad \tau(x)\varphi(a) = \tau(xa)$$

**Question following:** which additional relations ?

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} X^*X \rightarrow Y^*Y & XA \rightarrow YB & AX \rightarrow BY & XX \rightarrow YY & \dots & & \\ XX^* \rightarrow YY^* & XX^*X \rightarrow YY^*Y & X^*XX^* \rightarrow Y^*YY^* & & \dots & & \end{array}$$

**Question arising:** covariant representation?

$$\begin{array}{ccc} XX^* & \longrightarrow & YY^* \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ A & \longrightarrow & B \end{array}$$

$$A \cap XX^* = \{ a \in A \mid (a = K) \in XX^* : (a - K)X \equiv 0 \} :$$

$$(a - K)X \equiv 0 \implies \varphi(a)Y \equiv \tau(K)Y ??$$

Amount of covariance:  $\text{cov}(X \rightarrow Y) \trianglelefteq A :$

$$\text{cov}(X \rightarrow Y) := \ker \left[ (A \cap XX^* \rightarrow B \rightarrow YY^*) - (A \cap XX^* \rightarrow XX^* \rightarrow YY^*) \right]$$


Observation by Katsura:  $\text{cov}(X \cup A \subseteq B) \perp \ker(A \curvearrowright X)$  (obstruction!)

Maximal covariance:  $\max(X, A) = \ker(A \curvearrowright X)^\perp \cap XX^*$  (intrinsic!)

**Intrinsic characterisation:** kernel–covariance pairs =

$$\left( \text{invariant ideal} \mid \text{bounded ideal} \right) = \left( K \trianglelefteq A : X^* K X \subseteq K \mid J \trianglelefteq A/K : J \subseteq \max\left(\frac{X}{XK}\right) \right)$$

**Graph correspondence:**  $\left( X = \mathbb{C}x \oplus \mathbb{C}w \mid A = \mathbb{C}a \oplus \mathbb{C}b \right) :$



$$\begin{array}{l}
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 & w & \\
 & \curvearrowright & \\
 a & \xrightarrow{x} & b
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 \quad
 \begin{array}{l}
 x^* x = s(x) = a \quad w^* w = s(w) = b \\
 xa = x = bx \quad wb = w = bw
 \end{array}$$

Kernel ideals (invariant):  $\left( X^* K X \subseteq K \iff K X \subseteq X K \right) :$

$$K = (0) \quad K = (a) \quad \cancel{K = (b)} \quad K = (a \cup b)$$

Covariance ideals (bounded):  $\max(X, A) = \mathbb{C}(\text{regular ver}) :$

$$0 \subseteq J \subseteq \max(X, A) : \quad X : \quad J = 0 \quad J = (b) \quad \cancel{J = (a \cup b)} \quad \frac{X}{XK} : \quad \dots ;$$

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**Parametrisation:** Kernel Lattice + Covariance Lattice:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 X & \longrightarrow & \frac{X}{XK} & \longrightarrow & \dots \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \frac{X}{XL} & \longrightarrow & \dots & \longrightarrow & \dots \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \dots & \longrightarrow & \dots & \longrightarrow & X = 0
 \end{array}
 \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad
 \begin{array}{ccccc}
 \mathcal{T}(K) = \mathcal{O}(K, 0) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}(K, 1) & \longrightarrow & \dots \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \mathcal{O}(K, J) & \longrightarrow & \dots & \longrightarrow & \dots \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \dots & \longrightarrow & \dots & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}(K, \max) = \mathcal{O}(K)
 \end{array}$$

**Parametrisation:**  $\implies$  every equivariant repr !!

**First classification goal:** (kernel–covariance) pairs = exhausting ?

Gauge theorem: the general version

[Fre23] build on [Kak16]

$$\left( K = \ker(A \rightarrow B) \mid J = \text{cov} \left( \frac{X}{XK} \rightarrow B \right) \right) : \quad (X, A) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(K, J) = C^*(X \cup A) \subseteq B.$$

**Second classification goal:** (kernel–covariance) pairs = parametrising ?

Kernel and covariance: can be recovered?

[Fre23] extended from [Kat04]

$$\ker \left( A \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(K|J) \right) = K \quad \text{and} \quad \text{cov} \left( \frac{X}{XK} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(K|J) \right) = J.$$

[Fre23, theorem 8.1] Order isomorphism

$$\left( K \subseteq L \mid I \subseteq J \right) \iff \mathcal{O}(K, I) \leq \mathcal{O}(L, J)$$

**Lattice of equivariant repr:**

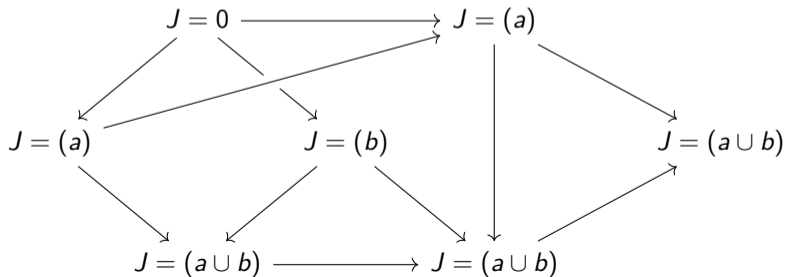
$\implies$  may now be read off entirely [from the correspondence](#) ✓



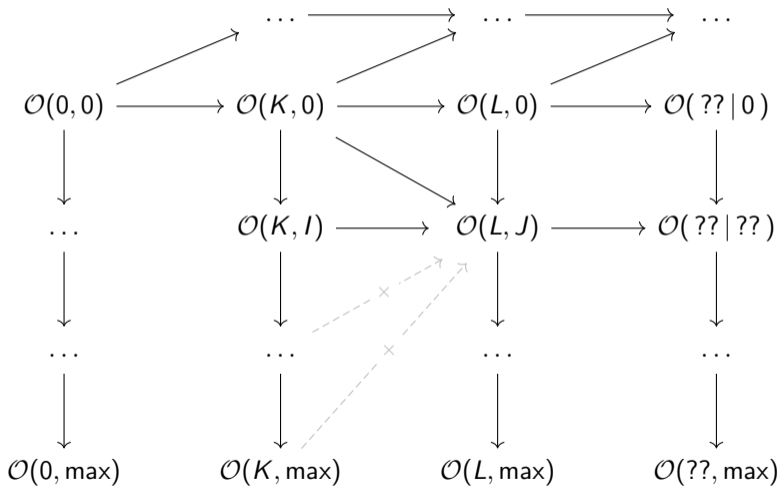
**Illustration:** graph correspondence:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 K = (0) : & & K = (a) : \\
 \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{loop } a \quad \text{loop } b \\ a \longrightarrow b \end{array} \right) & \longrightarrow & \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{loop } b \end{array} \right) \longrightarrow & K = (a \cup b) : \\
 & & & \left( \emptyset \right).
 \end{array}$$

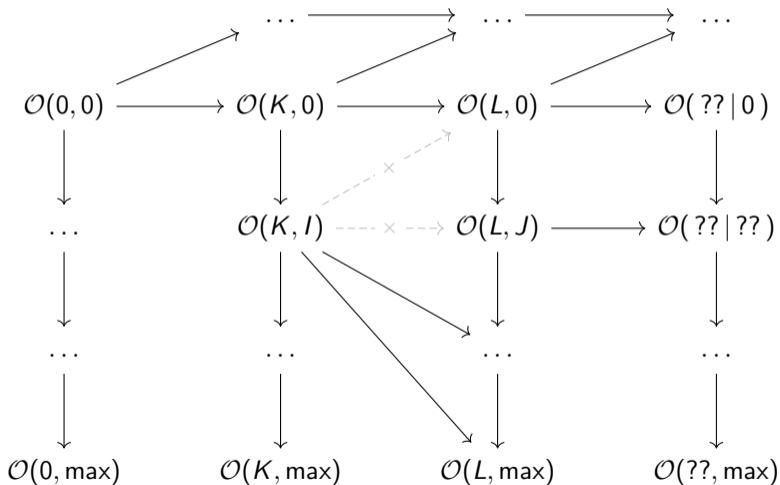
**Lattice structure:** equivariant repr's:



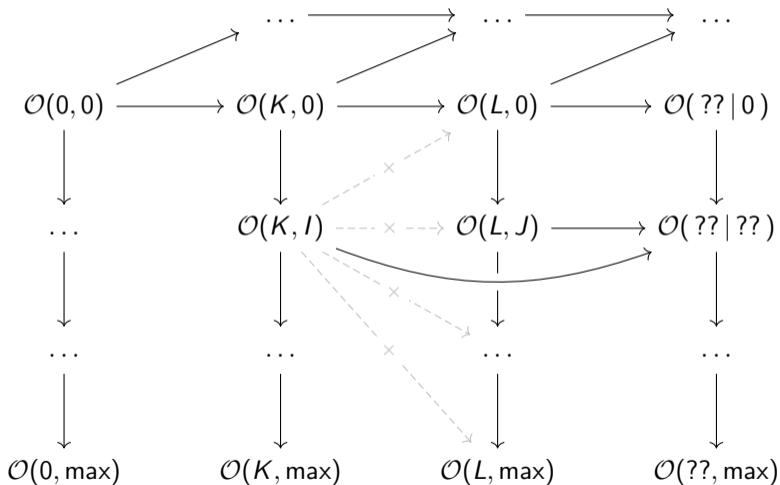
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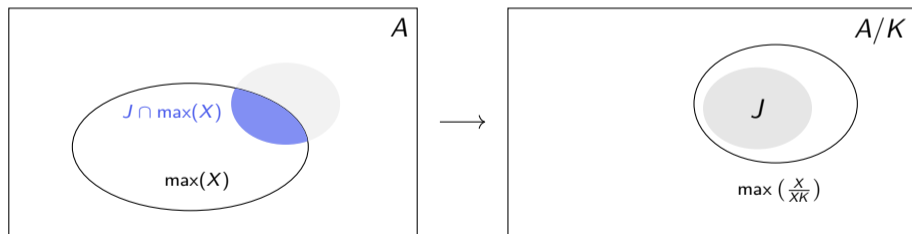


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**Question 1:** from up to which covariance?

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \mathcal{O}(X | 0) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}(X | \text{cov} = ?) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}(X | \max(X)) \\
 \downarrow & \searrow & \downarrow & & \\
 \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{X}{XK} | 0\right) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{X}{XK} | J\right) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{X}{XK} | \max\right)
 \end{array}$$



Meet operation: 
$$\bigwedge_s (K_s | I_s) = \left( K = \bigcap K_s \mid I = \bigcap I_s \cap \max\left(\frac{X}{XK}\right) \right)$$

**Question 2:** possible to which **next kernel strand?**

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \mathcal{O}(K|0) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}(K|I) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}(K|\max) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & \searrow & \\
 \mathcal{O}(L=?|0) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}(L=?|\dots) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}(L=?|\max).
 \end{array}$$

**Negative example:**

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \mathcal{T}(X = \ell^2(a \rightarrow b)) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{T}(X = \ell^2(b)) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{T}(X = 0) \\
 \downarrow & & \parallel & \nearrow & \parallel \\
 \mathcal{O}(X = \ell^2(a \rightarrow b)) & \dashrightarrow \times \dashrightarrow & \mathcal{O}(X = \ell^2(b)) & & \mathcal{O}(X = 0).
 \end{array}$$

**First application:** Pimsner dilations ?

$$(X, A) \longrightarrow (Y = ?, B = ?) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(Y, B) \longleftarrow \mathcal{O}(K, I)$$

Minimal equivariant embedding:

$$\mathcal{T}(Y, B) \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(Y, B) : \quad (Y, B) \subseteq \mathcal{O}(Y, B)$$

Detection of gauge-inv ideals:

$$[ \dots ] \trianglelefteq \mathcal{O}(Y, B) : \quad [ \dots ] \cap B = 0 \quad \implies \quad [ \dots ] = 0$$

Covariance ideals:

$$\left[ \mathcal{O}(X, I) \begin{pmatrix} I' & \\ & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathcal{O}(X, I) \right] \trianglelefteq \mathcal{O}(X, I) : \quad \begin{pmatrix} I & \\ & 0 \end{pmatrix} \subseteq \begin{pmatrix} I' & \\ & 0 \end{pmatrix} \subseteq \begin{pmatrix} \max(X, A) & \\ & 0 \end{pmatrix} \subseteq \mathcal{O}(X, I)_0$$

[Fre23] Maximal dilation ✓

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**Pimsner dilations:**

$$X \subseteq Y \subseteq \mathcal{O}(X, I)_1 \quad A \subseteq B \subseteq \mathcal{O}(X, I)_0 : \quad Y^*Y \subseteq B \quad YB \subseteq Y \quad BY \subseteq Y$$

$$I \subseteq I' \subseteq \max(X, A) : \quad B \cap \left[ \mathcal{O}(X, I) \begin{pmatrix} I' & 0 \\ & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathcal{O}(X, I) \right] \neq 0$$

Combinatorial dilation:

$$B = A + \left( I \subseteq I' \subseteq \max(X, A) \quad 0 \right) \rightsquigarrow Y = X + (XB = 0) + BX \rightsquigarrow Y^*Y = B$$

[Fre23] Maximal covariance  $\implies$  Combinatorial dilation

$$\mathcal{O}(X, I) = \mathcal{O} \left( Y = XB \mid B = A \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \left( \max(X, A) \quad 0 \right) \right)$$

[Fre23] Intrinsic description

$$\mathcal{O}(X, I) = C^* \left( X \cup A \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cup \left( \max(X, A) \quad 0 \right) \mid \begin{pmatrix} I & \\ & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \right)$$

**Uncovered:**  $\implies$  Combinatorial dilation = Katsura construction [Kat07]

[Fre23]: Combinatorial dilation = outsplitting

$$\mathcal{O}(F) = \mathcal{O}(E, R \subseteq \text{reg}) : \quad \begin{aligned} \text{ver}(F) &= \text{sing} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cup \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \\ & \text{reg} \end{pmatrix} \cup \begin{pmatrix} \text{reg} \setminus R & \\ & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \text{edges}(F) &= E \left[ \text{sing} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cup \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \\ & \text{reg} \end{pmatrix} \cup \begin{pmatrix} \text{reg} \setminus R & \\ & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] \end{aligned}$$

**Graph correspondences:**      Combinatorial dilation = always minimal ✓

**Graph correspondences:**      Minimal dilation = unique ??

**Dynamical systems:**      Combinatorial dilation  $\neq$  always minimal !!

[Fre23] Correspondences over spaces

*Katsura dilation = minimal*       $\iff$       *max covariance = discrete subspace*

**Second application:** Joint with Piotr M. Hajac and Mariusz Tobolski.

### Quotient pullbacks

$$\mathcal{O}\left((K, I) \wedge (L, J)\right) = \mathcal{O}(K, I) \oplus_{\mathcal{O}((KI) \vee (LJ))} \mathcal{O}(L, J).$$

For comparison [RS11, theorem 3.3]:

Lots of conditions to ensure by hand “surjectivity”.

Instead purely categorical argument!

### No further pullbacks

$$(K, I) \vee (K', I') < (L, J) : \quad \mathcal{O}\left((K, I) \wedge (K', I')\right) \subsetneq \mathcal{O}(K, I) \oplus_{\mathcal{O}(L, J)} \mathcal{O}(K', I')$$

**Failure of pullbacks:** absolute Cuntz–Pimsner:

$$(1) \quad \mathcal{O}(K \mid \max) \wedge \mathcal{O}(L \mid \max) \neq \mathcal{O}(K \cap L \mid \max)$$

$$(2) \quad \mathcal{O}(K \mid \max) \vee \mathcal{O}(L \mid \max) \neq \mathcal{O}(\dots \mid \max)$$

**Examples for failure:** graph algebras !

**Third application:** Gauge-inv ideals = relative Cuntz–Pimsner algs ?

For comparison: Gauge-inv quotients = relative Cuntz–Pimsner algs ✓

Candidate (well-known): [FMR03, theorem 3.1]:






$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & XK & \longrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & \frac{X}{XK} \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \mathcal{O}(XK \mid (J \cap \max) \cap K) & \sim \dots \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}(X \mid J \cap \max) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{X}{XK} \mid J \subseteq \max\right) & \longrightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$


**Negative example:** graph algebras:

$$\mathcal{O}(a \implies b) \neq \dots \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(a \implies b \implies c) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(b \implies c) \longrightarrow 0$$

**Further examples:** Higher tensor powers ✓

**Negative example:** even no finite tensor power ✗

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