

# Twisted K-Theory and Families Index Problem on Product Manifolds

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- ▶ Many interesting examples of Fredholm operators are unbounded
    - for example elliptic differential operators
    - the usual strategy is to realize the K-theory classes as approximated signs of such families

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The characteristic class of the (stabilized) index

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in de Rham cohomology is the form

$$\mathbf{ch-ind}(\bar{\partial}_\xi) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \varphi \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \text{ch}(\xi).$$

- the cohomology class **ch-ind** is invariant under smooth homotopies of the K-theory representative of  $\bar{\partial}$ .

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where  $\Psi^{-1}$  is the desuspension in cohomology:

$$\Psi^{-1} : H^{\text{even}}(\mathbb{T}^{n+1}) \rightarrow H^{\text{odd}}(\mathbb{T}^n) \quad \Psi^{-1} = \frac{i}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{T}_s}$$

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- ▶ The 1-form part computes the spectral flow around  $\phi_1$   
The 3-form part is an obstruction of quantization
- Carey-Mickelsson-Murray.

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- Let the unitary transformations  $u_{ij}$  act on the spaces of Fredholm operators  $\underline{\mathbf{Fred}}^{(\bullet)}$  by conjugation. Then the bundles of Fredholm operators

$$\{\underline{\mathbf{Fred}}^{(\bullet)}(\mathbf{H}_i)\}$$

glue together to form a fibre bundle.

- phase factors vanish under conjugation action.

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$$K^\bullet(X, f) = [\Gamma(\mathbf{Fred}^{(\bullet)}(\mathbf{H}))] \quad \bullet = 0, 1.$$

- continuous sections,
- homotopy classes in the space of such sections.



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$$K^1(\mathbb{T}^3, \tau) = (\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}) \oplus (\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_k).$$

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- ▶ Twisted cohomology and Chern character maps
  - Bouwknegt-Carey-Mathai-Murray-Stevenson 02

Index for twisted Dirac families in the case of torsion twisting  
- Mathai-Melrose-Singer 05

Index for twisted Dirac families in the decomposable case  
- Mathai-Melrose-Singer 09

Index for twisted Dirac families - superconnection proof  
- Benaneur-Gorokhovsky 11

$K^1$ -Index for supercharge families in the decomposable case  
- Harju-Mickelsson 12

Extension to equivariant  $K^1$ -case with supercharge families  
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$$\Omega_\downarrow - \Omega_\uparrow = \frac{F_\lambda}{2\pi i} \quad \text{on } (\mathbb{T}_\downarrow \cap \mathbb{T}_\uparrow)^{(1)} \times M.$$

The form defined locally by  $d\Omega$  is now a global 3-form over  $\mathbb{T} \times M$ .  
Denote it by  $H \leftarrow$  this form is cohomologous to  $\frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \wedge \frac{F_\lambda}{2\pi i}$ .

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- ▶ The loop algebra  $\mathfrak{lt}$  (Lie algebra of  $L\mathbb{T}$ ) has a projective irreducible highest weight representation on  $\mathcal{F}$ :

$$[e_n, e_m] = n\delta_{n, -m}.$$

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- Fix  $\mathbb{T}$ -valued local sections  $s_a : U_a \rightarrow \lambda$ .

Define a family of unitary operators

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$$u_a(x) = s_a(x) \cdot S$$

- $S$  creates a state of topological type  $\lambda$  over  $M$
- then, topologically, we get the isomorphisms

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- ▶ The local families glue under conjugation by  $S_a$ :

$$S_a Q_{\downarrow}(2\pi, p) S_a^{-1} = Q_{\uparrow}(0, p)$$

- this follows from the rules

$$S_a e_0 S_a^{-1} = (e_0 - 1) \quad S_a e_n S_a^{-1} = e_n \quad n \neq 0.$$

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- how does this correspond to

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# Index of $Q$ in Twisted Cohomology

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- $\chi$  is a formal symbol with  $\chi^2 = 1$  and it commutes with everything,
- $t > 0$  real,
- $\nabla_{\downarrow\uparrow}$  are the connections on  $\mathbf{F}_{\downarrow\uparrow}$ :

$$\nabla_{\downarrow\uparrow} = \nabla_{\xi} + N\nabla_{\lambda}.$$

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- ▶ The independence on the superconnection means that if we are given another superconnection  $\mathbb{A}'$ , and a different connection on the twisting line bundle such that the associated 3-curvature is  $H'$ , then

$$[\mathbf{ch}_\bullet^\tau(\mathbb{A})] \mapsto [\mathbf{ch}_\bullet^\tau(\mathbb{A}')] ]$$

under the canonical isomorphism of cohomology groups which sends the cohomology associated with  $(\Lambda^\bullet(M), d - H)$  to the cohomology associated with  $(\Lambda^\bullet(M), d - H')$ . More precisely, if  $H' = H + d\eta$ , then the isomorphism is determined by  $\xi \mapsto e^{-\eta} \wedge \xi$ .

The  $\infty$ -time limit of the odd character over  $\mathbb{T} \times M$  is the distribution valued odd differential form

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \text{sTr}(e^{-\mathbb{F}_{\downarrow t}}) = \sqrt{\pi} \delta(e_0 + \frac{\phi}{2\pi}) \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \wedge \text{tr}_{\xi}(e^{-F_{\downarrow t} + \Omega_{\downarrow t}}).$$

The symbol  $\delta(e_0 + \frac{\phi}{2\pi})$  denotes the Dirac delta distribution. The support of the characters localizes over the zero subspaces of the supercharge families.

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- ▶ (6) Choose a section  $\psi : \mathbb{T} \times M \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \times M$  and pull the character to

$$\frac{H^{\text{odd}}(\mathbb{T} \times M, \mathbb{Q})}{(1 - \text{ch}(\lambda)) \wedge \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \wedge \text{ch}(K^0(M))}$$

- compare with

$$\{x \in K^1(M) : x \otimes \lambda = x\} \bigoplus_{\mu} \frac{K^0(M)}{(1 - \lambda) \otimes K^0(M)}$$

Associated with the supercharge  $Q$  with vacuum twist  $\xi$  there is a character map

$$\widehat{\text{ch-ind}}_1^\tau(Q) \in \frac{H^{\text{odd}}(\mathbb{T} \times M, \mathbb{Q})}{(1 - \text{ch}(\lambda)) \wedge \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \wedge \text{ch}(K^0(M))}$$

whose equivalence class

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is invariant under smooth homotopies.

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- the twisted K-theory class of  $Q$  depends on the parameter  $j$  up to multiplets of  $k$ , this comes from the subgroup  $\mathbb{Z}_k$ .

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$$\widehat{\text{ch-ind}}_1^T(t^{-1} \circ \tilde{D}).$$

This would reveal the torsion parts in  $K^0(P)$ .

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- ▶ When applied fiberwise in a bundle of Fredholm operators, one gets a homomorphism

$$\alpha : K^1(\mathbb{T} \times M, \tau) \rightarrow K^0(\mathbb{T}^2 \times M, \tau).$$

**Goal.** Define characteristic classes for the suspended supercharges.

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- ▶ Define a section of self-adjoint Fredholm operators

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▶ In fact

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Therefore,  $(D^{\downarrow\uparrow})^2$  are invertible outside the submanifold

$$(-\epsilon, \pi + \epsilon) \times \mathbb{T} \times M \quad (\epsilon \text{ small}).$$

I will study the twisted index problem over this submanifold  
- the index character will localize here as a bump-form and can be extended to a bump-form over  $\mathbb{T}^2 \times M$ .

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-  $c$  is a constant which will be fixed later.

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The character of the index of a suspended supercharge is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{ch-ind}(\text{susp}(Q)) &= cds \wedge \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \wedge \text{tr}_{\xi}(e^{-F_{\xi}}) \\ &\in \frac{H^{\text{even}}(\mathbb{T}^2 \times M, \mathbb{Q})}{(1 - \text{ch}(\lambda)) \wedge \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \wedge \text{ch}(K^1(\mathbb{T}_s \times M))}. \end{aligned}$$

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Tensor with an arbitrary rank complex vector bundle

$$\mathbf{S} \otimes (\mathbf{F}_s \boxtimes \mathbf{F}^{\downarrow\uparrow}) \otimes \xi,$$

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Fix a twisting line bundle  $\lambda$  with a curvature equal to

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} d\theta_1 \wedge d\theta_2.$$

The invariant 1-forms satisfying

$$x \wedge \text{ch}(\lambda) = x \quad \text{in cohomology}$$

are  $x = d\theta_1$  and  $x = d\theta_2$ .

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