

Derivation algebras and noncommutative gauge theories

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- ▶ For Moyal spaces, the "minimal" derivation-based differential calculus generated by the ∂_μ underlies (most of) the works that appear in the litterature, so far. This differential calculus is not unique but can be modified. A simple modification permits one to interpret the (additional) covariant coordinates as Higgs field and to built naturally Yang-Mills-Higgs models [Cagnache,, Masson, JCW].

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- ▶ Natural generalization of commutative case. When $\mathbb{A} = C^\infty(M)$ (M smooth manifold), $\mathcal{Z}(\mathbb{A}) = C^\infty(M)$. No inner derivations $\text{Int}(\mathbb{A}) = 0$, while $\text{Der}(\mathbb{A}) = \Gamma(M)$, the Lie algebra of smooth vector fields and $\text{Out}(\mathbb{A}) = \Gamma(M)$.

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- ▶ NC connection on \mathcal{H} : a linear map $\widehat{\nabla}_{\mathfrak{X}} : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ such that $\forall \mathfrak{X}, \mathfrak{Y} \in \text{Der}(\mathbb{A})$, $\forall a \in \mathbb{A}$, $\forall m \in \mathcal{H}$, $\forall f \in \mathcal{Z}(\mathbb{A})$:

$$\widehat{\nabla}_{\mathfrak{X}}(ma) = m(\mathfrak{X}a) + (\widehat{\nabla}_{\mathfrak{X}}m)a, \quad \widehat{\nabla}_{f\mathfrak{X}}m = f\widehat{\nabla}_{\mathfrak{X}}m, \quad \widehat{\nabla}_{\mathfrak{X}+\mathfrak{Y}}m = \widehat{\nabla}_{\mathfrak{X}}m + \widehat{\nabla}_{\mathfrak{Y}}m \quad (2)$$

Curvature of $\widehat{\nabla}$: linear map defined by

$$\widehat{R}(\mathfrak{X}, \mathfrak{Y})m = [\widehat{\nabla}_{\mathfrak{X}}, \widehat{\nabla}_{\mathfrak{Y}}]m - \widehat{\nabla}_{[\mathfrak{X}, \mathfrak{Y}]}m$$

This expression measures the departure of $\mathfrak{X} \mapsto \widehat{\nabla}_{\mathfrak{X}}$ to be a morphism of Lie algebras. This is an adaptation of the ordinary definition of connections of commutative case.

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i): $\gamma(a) = \gamma(\mathbf{1}a) = \gamma(\mathbf{1})a$, $\forall a \in \mathbb{A}$ and ii): $h(\gamma(a_1), \gamma(a_2)) = h(a_1, a_2)$, $\forall a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{A}$. Then $\gamma(\mathbf{1})^\dagger \gamma(\mathbf{1}) = \mathbf{1}$.

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- ▶ Useful relations $[x_\mu, x_\nu]_\star = i\Theta_{\mu\nu}$

$$\partial_\mu(a \star b) = \partial_\mu a \star b + a \star \partial_\mu b, \quad (a \star b)^\dagger = b^\dagger \star a^\dagger \quad (12a)$$

$$[x_\mu, a]_\star = i\Theta_{\mu\nu}\partial_\nu a, \quad \int d^{2n}x \ (f \star h)(x) = \int d^{2n}x \ f(x).h(x) \quad (12b)$$

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