

## COMPLETELY POSITIVE MAPS ON COXETER GROUPS AND THE ULTRA CONTRACTIVITY OF THE $q$ -ORNSTEIN–UHLENBECK SEMIGROUP

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**1. Coxeter groups.** In this note we give an application of the following result on the symmetric group  $S_n$ :

**THEOREM 1.** *For fixed  $n \in \mathbf{N}$  let us consider the permutation group  $S_n$  and denote by  $\pi_i \in S_n$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n-1$ ) the transposition between  $i$  and  $i+1$ . Furthermore, let operators  $T_i \in B(\mathcal{H})$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n-1$ ) on some Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  be given, with the properties:*

- (i)  $T_i^* = T_i$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n-1$ ;
- (ii)  $\|T_i\| \leq 1$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n-1$ ;
- (iii) The  $T_i$  satisfy the braid relations:

$$\begin{aligned} T_i T_{i+1} T_i &= T_{i+1} T_i T_{i+1} \text{ for all } i = 1, \dots, n-2, \\ T_i T_j &= T_j T_i \text{ for all } i, j = 1, \dots, n-1 \text{ with } |i-j| \geq 2. \end{aligned}$$

Now let us define a function

$$\varphi : S_n \longrightarrow B(\mathcal{H})$$

by quasi-multiplicative extension of

$$\varphi(e) = 1, \quad \varphi(\pi_i) = T_i,$$

*i.e. for a reduced word  $S_n \ni \sigma = \pi_{i(1)} \dots \pi_{i(k)}$  we put  $\varphi(\sigma) = T_{i(1)} \dots T_{i(k)}$ . Then  $\varphi$  is a completely positive map, i.e. for all  $l \in \mathbf{N}$ ,  $f_i \in \mathbf{C}S_n$ ,  $x_i \in \mathcal{H}$  ( $i = 1, \dots, l$ ) we have*

$$\left\langle \sum_{i,j=1}^l \varphi(f_j^* f_i) x_i, x_j \right\rangle \geq 0.$$

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By our previous result from [BSp1], Theorem 1 is equivalent to the following:

**THEOREM 2.** *Under the assumptions of Theorem 1 the operator*

$$\begin{aligned} P^{(n)} &= P_T^{(n)} = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \varphi(\sigma) = \\ &= (1 + T_1)(1 + T_2 + T_2T_1) \dots (1 + T_{n-1} + T_{n-1}T_{n-2} + \dots + T_{n-1} \dots T_1) \end{aligned}$$

satisfies

$$P^{(n)} \geq \prod_{k=2}^n c_k(q) > 0,$$

where

$$c_k(q) = (1 - q^2)^{-1} \prod_{l=1}^k (1 - q^l)(1 + q^l)^{-1}.$$

Moreover, by Gauss formula

$$c_k(q) \geq c(q) = (1 - q)^{-1} \prod_{l=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^l)(1 + q^l)^{-1} = (1 - q)^{-1} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{+\infty} (-1)^l q^{l^2}.$$

In the proof we need the following lemma:

**LEMMA 3.** *If  $T_i \in B(\mathcal{H})$  satisfy the braid relations of Theorem 1, then for  $1 \leq r < k < n - 1$ , we have*

$$(T_{n-1}T_{n-2} \dots T_k)(T_{n-1}T_{n-2} \dots T_r) = T_{n-1}(T_{n-1}T_{n-2} \dots T_r)(T_{n-1} \dots T_{k+1}).$$

*Proof.* The proof of the Lemma follows by induction on  $k$ :

Let  $k = n - 2$ . Then by the braid relations we get

$$\begin{aligned} &(T_{n-1} \underbrace{T_{n-2}})(T_{n-1}T_{n-2} T_{n-3} \dots T_r) = \\ &= T_{n-1} \underbrace{T_{n-1}T_{n-2}T_{n-1}} T_{n-3} \dots T_r = \\ &= T_{n-1}(T_{n-1}T_{n-2}T_{n-3} \dots T_r)T_{n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

The next step looks as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} &(T_{n-1}T_{n-2}T_{n-3})(T_{n-1}T_{n-2}T_{n-3} \dots T_r) = \\ &= (T_{n-1}T_{n-2})(T_{n-1} \underbrace{T_{n-3}T_{n-2}T_{n-3}} \dots T_r) = \\ &= (T_{n-1} \underbrace{T_{n-2}})(T_{n-1}T_{n-2} T_{n-3}T_{n-2}T_{n-4} \dots T_r) = \\ &= T_{n-1}T_{n-1}T_{n-2}T_{n-1}T_{n-3}T_{n-2}(T_{n-4} \dots T_r) = \\ &= T_{n-1}T_{n-1}T_{n-2}T_{n-3}(T_{n-1}T_{n-2})(T_{n-4} \dots T_r) = \\ &= T_{n-1}(T_{n-1}T_{n-2}T_{n-3} \dots T_r)(T_{n-1}T_{n-2}). \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

Next we need the following important lemma:

**LEMMA 4.** *Let  $T_i \in B(\mathcal{H})$  and*

$$R_k(T_1, \dots, T_{k-1}) = R_k = 1 + T_{k-1} + T_{k-1}T_{k-2} + \dots + T_{k-1}T_{k-2} \dots T_1,$$

where  $k = 2, 3, \dots, n$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (a) \quad R_k(1 - T_{k-1}T_{k-2} \dots T_1) &= \\
 &= (1 - T_{k-1}^2T_{k-2} \dots T_1)(1 + T_{k-1} + T_{k-1}T_{k-2} + \dots + T_{k-1}T_{k-2} \dots T_2) = \\
 &= (1 - T_{k-1}^2T_{k-2} \dots T_1)R_{k-1}(T_2, T_3, \dots, T_{k-1}), \\
 (b) \quad R_n(1 - T_{n-1}T_{n-2} \dots T_2T_1)(1 - T_{n-1}T_{n-2} \dots T_2) \dots (1 - T_{n-1}) &= \\
 &= (1 - T_{n-1}^2T_{n-2} \dots T_2T_1)(1 - T_{n-1}^2T_{n-2} \dots T_2) \dots (1 - T_{n-1}^2T_{n-2})(1 + T_{n-1}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let us start with the case  $k = 3$ . Since  $R_3 = 1 + T_2 + T_2T_1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_3(1 - T_2T_1) &= 1 + T_2 - T_2^2T_1 - T_2T_1T_2T_1 = \\
 &= 1 + T_2 - T_2^2T_1 - T_2^2T_1T_2 = \\
 &= (1 - T_2^2T_1)(1 + T_2).
 \end{aligned}$$

Now we consider the case  $k = 4$ . By natural calculations using Lemma 3 we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_4(1 - T_3T_2T_1) &= (1 + T_3 + T_3T_2) - (T_3^2T_2T_1)(1 + T_3 + T_3T_2) = \\
 &= (1 - T_3^2T_2T_1)(1 + T_3 + T_3T_2).
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, using the case  $k = 3$ , we have

$$R_4(1 - T_3T_2T_1)(1 - T_3T_2) = (1 - T_3^2T_2T_1)(1 - T_3^2T_2)(1 + T_2).$$

Repeating this process we get the proof of the Lemma. ■

This implies the next lemma.

LEMMA 5. *If*

$$\begin{aligned}
 P^{(n)} &= \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \varphi_T(\sigma) = P^{(n-1)}(1 + T_{n-1} + \dots + T_{n-1} \dots T_1) = \\
 &= P^{(n-1)}R_n = R_2R_3 \dots R_n,
 \end{aligned}$$

and  $\|T_i\| \leq q < 1$ , then

$$\|R_n^{-1}\| \leq (1 - q)^{-1} \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (1 + q^k) \prod_{k=3}^n (1 - q^k)^{-1}. \quad (**)$$

Proof. By Lemma 4 we have

$$R_n = \prod_{k=1}^{n-2} (1 - T_{n-1}^2T_{n-2} \dots T_k)(1 + T_{n-1}) \prod_{l=n-1}^1 (1 - T_{n-1} \dots T_l)^{-1}.$$

But, since  $\|T_i\| < q < 1$ , therefore

$$\|(1 - T_{n-1} \dots T_{(n-1)-k})^{-1}\| \leq (1 - q^k)^{-1}$$

and we infer the estimation of Lemma 5. ■

Now we can state Theorem 2 in a stronger version.

THEOREM 6. *If  $\|T_i\| \leq q < 1$  and the assumptions of Theorem 1 are satisfied, then*

$$(i) \quad P^{(n)} \geq \omega(q)(P^{(n-1)} \otimes 1),$$

where

$$\omega(q)^2 = (1 - q^2)^{-1} \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^k)(1 + q^k)^{-1}.$$

$$(ii) \quad P^{(n)} \leq \frac{1}{1 - q} (P^{(n-1)} \otimes 1).$$

*Proof.* The proof follows from the following considerations:

(a) We know from the results of [BSp1] that

$$P^{(n)} \geq 0.$$

Since, by Lemma 5,  $\|R_n^{-1}\| \leq \frac{1}{c}$  for some  $c > 0$ , therefore

$$\|(R_n^{-1})^* R_n^{-1}\| \leq \frac{1}{c^2},$$

and this implies

$$R_n R_n^* \geq c^2.$$

But, because

$$P^{(n)} = (P^{(n-1)} \otimes 1) R_n,$$

and  $P^{(n)} = P^{(n)*}$ , we obtain

$$[P^{(n)}]^2 = P^{(n-1)} R_n R_n^* P^{(n-1)} \geq c^2 [P^{(n-1)}]^2$$

and hence

$$P^{(n)} \geq c(P^{(n-1)} \otimes 1), \text{ where } c = \omega(q).$$

(b) The statement (ii) of Theorem 2 follows from the two facts:

$$P^{(n)} = P^{(n-1)} R_n$$

and

$$R_n = 1 + T_{n-1} + T_{n-1} T_{n-2} + \dots + T_{n-1} \dots T_1.$$

Therefore  $\|R_n\| < \frac{1}{1-q}$  and again as before we have

$$P^{(n)} \geq \frac{1}{1 - q} (P^{(n-1)} \otimes 1).$$

So, the proof of Theorem 6 is complete. ■

This theorem is also valid for all finite and affine Coxeter groups (for more details see [BSp4]). Theorem 1 comes from investigations in harmonic analysis on groups (see [B1], [BSz]) and on perturbed canonical commutation relations. In the paper with R. Speicher ([BSp1]) we considered the following relations

$$c_i c_j^* - q c_j^* c_i = \delta_{ij} \mathbf{1}$$

for a real  $q$  with  $|q| \leq 1$ , and we needed essentially the fact that the function

$$\varphi : S_n \longrightarrow \mathbf{C}, \quad \pi \longmapsto q^{|\pi|}$$

is a positive definite function for all  $n$ , where  $|\pi|$  denotes the number of inversions of  $\pi$ . For other proofs of that result see [BKS, BSp1, BSp2, BSp4, BSz, Spe, Z].

R. Speicher in [Spe] considered more general commutations relations

$$d_i d_j^* - q_{ij} d_j^* d_i = \delta_{ij} \mathbf{1}$$

for

$$-1 \leq q_{ij} = q_{ji} \leq 1,$$

and he founded the existence of a Fock representation by central limit arguments. Our construction of the  $q_{ij}$  relations depends on some operator  $T$  which is a self-adjoint contraction on a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  and satisfies the braid or Yang-Baxter relations of the following form:

$$T_1 T_2 T_1 = T_2 T_1 T_2,$$

where  $T_1 = T \otimes \mathbf{1}$  and  $T_2 = \mathbf{1} \otimes T$  on  $\mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H}$  are the natural amplifications of  $T$  to  $\mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H}$ .

From Theorem 1 we get more general construction of deformed commutation relations of the Wick form:

$$d_i d_j^* - \sum_{r,s} t_{js}^{ir} d_r^* d_s = \delta_{ij} \mathbf{1}$$

(see also Jorgensen et al. [JSW] and [BSp4] for similar considerations).

**2. Applications.** Next we examine the deformed commutation relations from an operator spaces' point of view. If we assume that  $\|T\| = q \leq 1$  and if we take  $G_i = d_i + d_i^*$ , then we prove that the operator space generated by the  $G_i$  is completely isomorphic to the canonical operator Hilbert space  $\mathcal{R} \cap \mathcal{C}$ , which means

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^N a_i \otimes G_i \right\| \approx \max \left( \left\| \sum_{i=1}^N a_i a_i^* \right\|^{1/2}, \left\| \sum_{i=1}^N a_i^* a_i \right\|^{1/2} \right)$$

for all bounded operators  $a_1, \dots, a_N$  on some Hilbert space. This generalizes the Theorem of Haagerup and Pisier [HP], who obtained that result for free creation and annihilation operators, (see also [VDN] and [Buch]). As another application of our construction we have obtained a large class of *non-injective* von Neumann algebras, when considering the von Neumann algebra  $VN(G_1, \dots, G_N)$  generated by  $G_1, \dots, G_N$ . For more details see [BSp4, BKS].

**3. The ultracontractivity of the  $q$ -second quantization functor  $\Gamma_q$ .** Let  $T : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$  be a contraction between real Hilbert spaces. Then the linear map defined on elementary tensors by

$$F_q(T)(f_1 \otimes \dots \otimes f_n) = T f_1 \otimes \dots \otimes T f_n$$

extends to a contraction from  $q$ -Fock spaces  $F_q(\mathcal{H})$  to  $F_q(\mathcal{K})$ . Here  $F_q(\mathcal{H})$  is the completion of the full Fock space  $\bigoplus_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{H}^{\otimes n}$  with respect to the new scalar product

$$\langle f_1 \otimes \dots \otimes f_n, g_1 \otimes \dots \otimes g_n \rangle_q = \delta_{n,m} \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} q^{inv(\sigma)} \langle f_{\sigma(1)}, g_1 \rangle \dots \langle f_{\sigma(n)}, g_n \rangle.$$

The creation operators are defined as:

$$c^*(f_0)(f_1 \otimes \dots \otimes f_n) = f_0 \otimes f_1 \otimes \dots \otimes f_n, \quad f_j \in \mathcal{H}$$

and  $c(f) = [c^*(f)]^*$ .

Let  $G(f) = c(f) + c^*(f)$  for  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ . Let  $\Gamma_q(\mathcal{H})$  be the von Neumann algebra generated by  $G(f)$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ , and

$$\tau_q(S) = \langle S\Omega, \Omega \rangle_q, \quad S \in \Gamma_q(\mathcal{H}).$$

One can show that  $\tau_q$  is a trace on  $\Gamma_q(\mathcal{H})$ .

If  $\dim \mathcal{H} = \infty$ , then we showed that  $\Gamma_q(\mathcal{H})$  is a factor.

If  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_N$  is an orthonormal basis of  $\mathcal{H}$ , then we put  $G_i = G(e_i)$ , ( $i = 1, \dots, N$ ,  $N = \infty, 1, 2, \dots$ ). In this setting the following theorem holds:

**THEOREM 7** ([BKS], Theorem 2.1.1). *Let  $T$  be as above, then there exists a unique map  $\Gamma_q(T) : \Gamma_q(\mathcal{H}) \rightarrow \Gamma_q(\mathcal{K})$  such that  $\Gamma_q(T)(X)\Omega = F_q(T)(X\Omega)$  for every  $X \in \Gamma_q(\mathcal{H})$ . The map  $\Gamma_q(T)$  is bounded, normal, unital, completely positive and trace preserving.*

We note that  $\Gamma_q$  is a functor, namely if  $S : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$  and  $T : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{J}$  are contractions, then  $\Gamma_q(ST) = \Gamma_q(S)\Gamma_q(T)$ .

If  $\mathcal{H}$  is a real Hilbert space and  $T_t = e^{-t}I$  for  $t \geq 0$ , then the completely positive maps  $P_t^q = \Gamma_q(T_t)$ ,  $t \geq 0$ , on  $\Gamma_q(\mathcal{H})$ , form a semigroup, called the  $q$ -Ornstein-Uhlenbeck semigroup. The  $q$ -Ornstein-Uhlenbeck semigroup extends to a semigroup of contractions of the non-commutative  $L^p$  spaces, which are symmetric on  $L^2$ . Its infinitesimal generator on  $L^2$  is the number operator  $N^q$ , i.e.  $P_t = \exp(-tN^q)$ , where  $N^q$  is the unbounded self-adjoint operator defined as  $N^q\Omega = 0$  and

$$N^q f_1 \otimes \dots \otimes f_n = n f_1 \otimes \dots \otimes f_n, \quad f_1, \dots, f_n \in \mathcal{H}.$$

Ph. Biane [Bia] proved Nelson's hypercontractivity of the  $q$ -Ornstein-Uhlenbeck semigroup  $P_t$ , extending the results of Nelson and Gross. In that paper Ph. Biane also showed ultracontractivity for  $q = 0$  using some results of the author (see [B2]). Now we prove the ultracontractivity of that semigroup for all  $q \in [-1, 1]$ .

**THEOREM 8.** *Let  $X$  be in the eigenspace of  $N^q$ , with eigenvalue  $n$ . Then*

- (i)  $\|X\|_{L^\infty} \leq C(q)(n+1)\|X\|_L^2$ ;
- (ii) For  $t \geq 0$ ,  $P_t$  maps  $L^2$  into  $L^\infty = VN_q(G_1 \dots G_N)$  and for  $t \leq 1$

$$\|P_t^q\|_{L^2 \rightarrow L^\infty} \leq c_q t^{-3/2}.$$

(iii) (**Poincaré-Sobolev inequality**). *If  $Q_q(X) = \langle XN^qX\Omega, \Omega \rangle$  is a non-commutative complete Dirichlet form (on an appropriate domain) on  $L^2(\Gamma_q(\mathcal{H}), \tau_q)$ , in the sense of [DL], then there exists a constant  $c_q \geq 0$  such that for all  $X$  in the domain of  $Q_q$  we have*

$$\|X\|_{L^3}^2 \leq c_q(|\tau_q(X)|^2 + Q_q(X)).$$

For the details of the proof of this theorem see [B3] and [Bia].

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