



**FIELDS**

**PULLING BACK NONCOMMUTATIVE  
ASSOCIATED VECTOR BUNDLES  
AND CONSTRUCTING QUANTUM  
QUATERNIONIC PROJECTIVE SPACES**

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*If  $V$  is a representation of  $G$ , the following associated vector bundles over  $Y'/G$  are isomorphic*

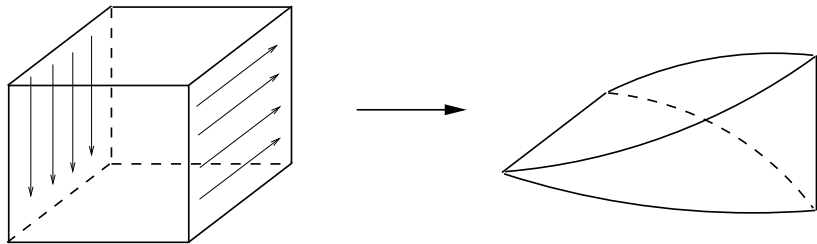
$$(F|_{Y'/G})^*(Y \times_G V) \cong Y' \times_G V.$$

*In particular, if  $\dim V < \infty$ , the induced map  $(F|_{Y'/G})^* : K^0(Y) \rightarrow K^0(Y')$  satisfies*

$$(F|_{Y'/G})^*([Y \times_G V]) = [Y' \times_G V].$$

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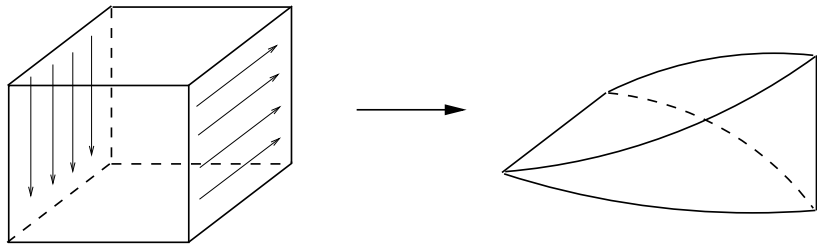
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If  $X$  is a compact Hausdorff space with a continuous free action of a compact Hausdorff group  $G$ , then the diagonal action of  $G$  on the join  $X * G$  is again continuous and free.

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More precisely, let  $R'_J$  be the equivalence relation on  $I \times X \times G$  generated by

$$(0, x, h) \sim (0, x', h) \quad \text{and} \quad (1, x, h) \sim (1, x', h'), \text{ where } xh = x'h'.$$

The formula  $[(t, x, h)]k := [(t, x, hk)]$  defines a continuous right  $G$ -action on  $(I \times X \times G)/R'_J$ , and the formula

$$X * G \ni [(t, x, h)] \longmapsto [(t, xh^{-1}, h)] \in (I \times X \times G)/R'_J$$

yields a  $G$ -equivariant homeomorphism.

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# Compact quantum group

Definition (S. L. Woronowicz)

A **compact quantum group** is a unital  $C^*$ -algebra  $H$  with a given unital  $*$ -homomorphism  $\Delta: H \rightarrow H \otimes_{\min} H$  such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 H & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & H \otimes_{\min} H \\
 \downarrow \Delta & & \downarrow \Delta \otimes \text{id} \\
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 \end{array}$$

commutes and the two-sided cancellation property holds:

$$\{(a \otimes 1)\Delta(b) \mid a, b \in H\}^{\text{cls}} = H \otimes_{\min} H = \{\Delta(a)(1 \otimes b) \mid a, b \in H\}^{\text{cls}}.$$

Here "cls" stands for "closed linear span".

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Given a compact quantum group  $(H, \Delta)$ , we denote by  $\mathcal{O}(H)$  its dense Hopf  $*$ -subalgebra spanned by the matrix coefficients of irreducible unitary corepresentations.

The Peter-Weyl subalgebra

of  $A$  is  $\mathcal{P}_H(A) := \{a \in A \mid \delta(a) \in A \otimes_{\text{alg}} \mathcal{O}(H)\}$ .

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$$(\mathcal{P}_H(A) \square V) \otimes_B (\mathcal{P}_H(A) \square W) \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}_H(A) \square (V \otimes_{\text{alg}} W).$$

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The induced map  $(f|_B)_* : K_0(B) \rightarrow K_0(B')$  satisfies

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Then we define the *noncommutative tautological quaternionic line bundle and its dual* as noncommutative complex vector bundles associated through the contragredient representation  $V_f^\vee$  of the fundamental representation of  $SU_q(2)$  and the fundamental representation  $V_f$  itself, respectively.

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Consequently, the quantum principal  $SU_q(2)$ -bundle  $S_q^{4n+3} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}\mathbb{P}_q^n$  is *not* trivializable:

## Corollary

There does *not* exist a  $C(SU_q(2))$ -equivariant  $*$ -homomorphism

$$f: C(SU_q(2)) \longrightarrow C(S_q^{4n+3}).$$