

On a duality for C^* -crossed products by a locally compact group

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Abstract.

Let $(\mathfrak{A}, G, \alpha)$ be a C^* -dynamical system, and $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ the reduced C^* -crossed product of \mathfrak{A} by α . We construct a “dual” C^* -crossed product $C_d^*(C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \beta)$ of $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ by an isomorphism β from $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ into the full operator algebra $\mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{R})$ on a Hilbert space \mathfrak{R} . Then, it is isomorphic to the C^* -tensor product $\mathfrak{A} \widehat{\otimes}_* \mathcal{C}(L^2(G))$ of \mathfrak{A} and the C^* -algebra $\mathcal{C}(L^2(G))$ of all compact operators on $L^2(G)$.

In the abelian case, there exists a continuous action $\hat{\alpha}$ of the dual group \hat{G} of G on the C^* -crossed product $C^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ of \mathfrak{A} by α such that the C^* -crossed product $C^*(C^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \hat{\alpha})$ of $C^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ by $\hat{\alpha}$ is isomorphic to $C_d^*(C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \beta)$.

§ 1. Introduction.

In [4], the second author showed a C^* -algebra version of Takesaki’s duality theorem for crossed products of von Neumann algebras. In other words, given a C^* -dynamical system $(\mathfrak{A}, G, \alpha)$ based on a locally compact abelian group G , there exists a continuous action $\hat{\alpha}$ of the dual group \hat{G} of G on the C^* -crossed product $C^*(\mathfrak{A}, \alpha)$ of \mathfrak{A} by α such that the C^* -dynamical system $(C^*(C^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \hat{\alpha}), G, \hat{\alpha})$ is equivalent to the C^* -dynamical system $(\mathfrak{A} \widehat{\otimes}_* \mathcal{C}(L^2(G)), G, \alpha \otimes \text{Ad}(\lambda))$, where $\mathcal{C}(L^2(G))$ is the C^* -algebra of all compact operators on $L^2(G)$, and λ is the regular representation of G on $L^2(G)$.

Recently, Y. Nakagami [3] generalized Takesaki’s duality theorem based on abelian groups to non-abelian groups using the method on Hopf-von Neumann algebras. (Also see [2].)

In this paper, we study a non-abelian duality for C^* -crossed products referring to Nakagami’s construction in von Neumann algebras. Actually, we obtain that for a C^* -dynamical system $(\mathfrak{A}, G, \alpha)$, there exists an isomorphism β of the reduced C^* -crossed product $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ of \mathfrak{A} by α into the full operator algebra $\mathcal{L}(L^2(G \times G; \mathfrak{H}))$ on the Hilbert space $L^2(G \times G; \mathfrak{H})$ such that the “dual” C^* -crossed product $C_d^*(C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \beta)$ is isomorphic to the tensor product $\mathfrak{A} \widehat{\otimes}_* \mathcal{C}(L^2(G))$.

In the abelian case, it is verified that the construction of “dual” C^* -crossed products is exactly that of second C^* -crossed products via the Fourier transform.

§ 2. Notation and preliminaries.

Let $(\mathfrak{A}, G, \alpha)$ be a C^* -dynamical system in the sense of [5]. Then the twisted group algebra $L^1_\alpha(G; \mathfrak{A})$ is defined as the set of all Bochner integrable \mathfrak{A} -valued functions on G with the following Banach $*$ -algebra structure :

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.1) \quad (xy)(g) &= \int_G x(h)\alpha_h[y(h^{-1}g)]dh \\
 x^*(g) &= \Delta(g)^{-1}\alpha_g[x(g^{-1})]^* \\
 \|x\|_1 &= \int_G \|x(g)\|dg,
 \end{aligned}$$

where dg is the left Haar measure and $\Delta(g)$ the associated modular function of G .

Let $\text{Rep } \mathfrak{A}$ be the set of all non-degenerate representations of \mathfrak{A} . For $\rho \in \text{Rep } \mathfrak{A}$ on a Hilbert space \mathfrak{H}_ρ , we denote by $\text{Ind } \rho$ the representation of $L^1_\alpha(G; \mathfrak{A})$ corresponding to the covariant representation $(\bar{\rho}, \bar{\lambda})$ of \mathfrak{A} as follows :

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.2) \quad (\bar{\rho}(a)\xi)(g) &= \rho \circ \alpha_g^{-1}(a)\xi(g) \\
 (\bar{\lambda}(h)\xi)(g) &= \xi(h^{-1}g)
 \end{aligned}$$

for every $a \in \mathfrak{A}$, $g, h \in G$, and $\xi \in L^2(G; \mathfrak{H}_\rho)$, where $L^2(G; \mathfrak{H}_\rho)$ is the Hilbert space consisting of all square integrable \mathfrak{H}_ρ -valued functions on G .

Let $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ be the completion of $L^1_\alpha(G; \mathfrak{A})$ with respect to the reduced norm $\|\cdot\|_r$ defined as

$$(2.3) \quad \|x\|_r = \sup \{ \|(\text{Ind } \rho)(x)\| : \rho \in \text{Rep } \mathfrak{A} \}.$$

Then it can be considered as the quotient C^* -algebra of the enveloping C^* -algebra $C^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ of $L^1_\alpha(G; \mathfrak{A})$ by the ideal $\bigcap_{\rho \in \text{Rep } \mathfrak{A}} (\text{Ind } \rho)^{-1}(0)$.

In what follows, we construct a “dual” C^* -crossed product based on $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$, which will be isomorphic to the tensor product $\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* \mathcal{C}(L^2(G))$ of \mathfrak{A} and the C^* -algebra $\mathcal{C}(L^2(G))$ consisting of all compact operators on $(L^2(G))$ in later.

Taking the universal representation of \mathfrak{A} on a Hilbert space \mathfrak{H} , we may assume by [4] that $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ is acting on $L^2(G; \mathfrak{H})$ in such a way that

$$(2.4) \quad (x\xi)(g) = \int_G \alpha_g^{-1}[x(h)]\xi(h^{-1}g)dh$$

for every $x \in L^1_\alpha(G; \mathfrak{A})$ and $\xi \in L^2(G; \mathfrak{H})$.

Let β be an isomorphism of $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ into the full operator algebra $\mathfrak{B}(L^2(G \times G; \mathfrak{H}))$ of all bounded linear operators on $L^2(G \times G; \mathfrak{H})$ such that

$$(2.5) \quad \begin{aligned} \beta[\bar{l}(a)] &= \bar{l}(a) \otimes 1_{L^2(G)} \\ \beta[\bar{\lambda}(h)] &= \bar{\lambda}(h) \otimes \lambda(h) \end{aligned}$$

for every $a \in \mathfrak{A}$ and $h \in G$, where l is the identity representation of \mathfrak{A} on \mathfrak{H} and λ is the left regular representation of G on $L^2(G)$. Actually, according to [3], the mapping β cited above can be guaranteed at least one. Then we have by (2.4) and (2.5) that

$$(2.6) \quad \beta(x) = \int_G \bar{l}[x(g)] \bar{\lambda}(g) \otimes \lambda(g) dg$$

for every $x \in L^1_\alpha(G; \mathfrak{A})$.

Let $C_0(G)$ be the C^* -algebra of all complex valued continuous functions on G vanishing at infinity.

For each $x \in C^*_r(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ and $f \in C_0(G)$, we denote by $f * x$ the operator $(1_{L^2(G; \mathfrak{H})} \otimes L_f) \beta(x)$ on $L^2(G \times G; \mathfrak{H})$ where L is the natural representation of $C_0(G)$ on $L^2(G)$.

Now we define a dual C^* -crossed product $C^*_d(C^*_r(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \beta)$ of $C^*_r(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ by β as the C^* -algebra generated by $f * x$, $x \in C^*_r(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$, $f \in C_0(G)$. This definition can be considered as a C^* -algebra version of Nakagami's model in von Neumann algebras ([3]). In the next section, we shall show the algebra defined above is isomorphic to the tensor product $\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* \mathcal{C}(L^2(G))$ of \mathfrak{A} and the C^* -algebra $\mathcal{C}(L^2(G))$ of all compact operators on $L^2(G)$.

§ 3. Non abelian duality for C^* -crossed products.

Throughout this section, we use the same symbols as in the previous section. Let $(\mathfrak{A}, G, \alpha)$ be a C^* -dynamical system and $C^*_r(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ be the reduced C^* -crossed product of \mathfrak{A} by α acting on $L^2(G; \mathfrak{H})$ in such a way as (2.4). By definition, the dual C^* -crossed product $C^*_d(C^*_r(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \beta)$ of $C^*_r(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ by β is acting on $L^2(G \times G; \mathfrak{H})$.

Let us compute the operator $f * x$ for $x \in L^1_\alpha(G; \mathfrak{A})$ and $f \in C_0(G)$. By (2.6), we see that

$$(3.1) \quad \begin{aligned} f * x &= (1_{L^2(G; \mathfrak{H})} \otimes L_f) \beta(x) \\ &= \int_G (1_{L^2(G; \mathfrak{H})} \otimes L_f) (\bar{l}[x(g)] \bar{\lambda}(g) \otimes \lambda(g)) dg \\ &= \int_G \bar{l}[x(g)] \bar{\lambda}(g) \otimes L_f \lambda(g) dg \end{aligned}$$

on $L^2(G \times G; \mathfrak{H})$ for every $x \in L^1_\alpha(G; \mathfrak{A})$ and $f \in C_0(G)$.

On the other hand, we consider the C^* -dynamical system $(\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* C_0(G), G, \alpha \otimes \tau)$ where τ is the shift action of G on $C_0(G)$. Then one can associate the reduced

C^* -crossed product $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A} \widehat{\otimes} *_C C_0(G); \alpha \otimes \tau)$ of $\mathfrak{A} \widehat{\otimes} *_C C_0(G)$ by $\alpha \otimes \tau$. Let $\text{Ind}(l \otimes L)$ be the induced representation of $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A} \widehat{\otimes} *_C C_0(G); \alpha \otimes \tau)$ on $L^2(G \times G; \mathfrak{H})$ associated to $l \otimes L$. Since $l \otimes L$ is faithful on $\mathfrak{A} \widehat{\otimes} *_C C_0(G)$ (cf: [6]), it follows by [4] that $\text{Ind}(l \otimes L)$ is faithful.

For $x \in L^1_{\alpha \otimes \tau}(G; \mathfrak{A} \otimes C_0(G))$, we compute $\text{Ind}(l \otimes L)(x)$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} (3.2) \quad & [\text{Ind}(l \otimes L)(x)\xi](g, h) \\ &= \int_G [\overline{l \otimes L}(x(k))\bar{\lambda}(k)\xi](g, h)dk \\ &= \int_G [\alpha_g^{-1} \otimes L \circ \tau_g^{-1}(x(k))\xi(k^{-1}g, \cdot)](h)dk \end{aligned}$$

for every $\xi \in L^2(G \times G; \mathfrak{H})$. Let $K(G)$ be the set of all complex valued continuous functions on G with compact support. Taking $x = f_1 \otimes a \otimes f_2$, $\xi = \xi_1 \otimes \eta \otimes \xi_2$ in (3.2) ($a \in \mathfrak{A}$, $f_i \in K(G)$, $\eta \in \mathfrak{H}$, $\xi_i \in L^2(G)$), we have that

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Ind}(l \otimes L)(f_1 \otimes a \otimes f_2)(\xi_1 \otimes \eta \otimes \xi_2)(g, h) \\ &= \int_G [f_1(k)\alpha_g^{-1} \otimes L \circ \tau_g^{-1}(a \otimes f_2)\xi_1(k^{-1}g)(\eta \otimes \xi_2)](h)dk \\ &= \int_G [f_1(k)\xi_1(k^{-1}g)(\alpha_g^{-1}(a)\eta \otimes L_{\tau_g^{-1}(f_2)}\xi_2)](h)dk \\ &= \int_G f_1(k)\xi_1(k^{-1}g)(L_{\tau_g^{-1}(f_2)}\xi_2)(h)\alpha_g^{-1}(a)\eta dk \\ &= \int_G f_1(k)\xi_1(k^{-1}g)f_2(gh)\xi_2(h)\alpha_g^{-1}(a)\eta dk \\ &= \int_G f_1(k)[a'f_2'\lambda(k)'(\xi_1 \otimes \eta \otimes \xi_2)](g, h)dk, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{cases} (a'\zeta)(g, h) = \alpha_g^{-1}(a)\zeta(g, h) \\ (f'\zeta)(g, h) = f(gh)\zeta(g, h) \\ (\lambda'(k)\zeta)(g, h) = \zeta(k^{-1}g, h) \end{cases}$$

for every $a \in \mathfrak{A}$, $f \in K(G)$, and $\zeta \in L^2(G \times G; \mathfrak{H})$.

Therefore, it follows that

$$(3.3) \quad \text{Ind}(l \otimes L)(f_1 \otimes a \otimes f_2) = \int_G f_1(k)a'f_2'\lambda(k)' dk$$

for every $a \in \mathfrak{A}$, and $f_i \in K(G)$. Let W be the unitary operator on $L^2(G \times G; \mathfrak{H})$ so that $(W\zeta)(g, h) = \zeta(g, g^{-1}h)$ for all $\zeta \in L^2(G \times G; \mathfrak{H})$. Then we have by (3.3) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.4) \quad \text{Ad}(W) \circ \text{Ind}(l \otimes L)(f_1 \otimes a \otimes f_2) &= \int_G f_1(k) a'(1_{L^2(G; \mathfrak{H})} \otimes L_{f_2})(\bar{\lambda}(k) \otimes \lambda(k)) dk \\
 &= \int_G \bar{l}[(f_1 \otimes a)(k)] \otimes 1_{L^2(G)} (\bar{\lambda}(k) \otimes L_{f_2} \lambda(k)) dk \\
 &= \int_G \bar{l}[(f_1 \otimes a)(k)] \bar{\lambda}(k) \otimes L_{f_2} \lambda(k) dk.
 \end{aligned}$$

By (3.1) and (3.4), we deduce that

$$f_2 * (f_1 \otimes a) = \text{Ad}(W) \circ \text{Ind}(l \otimes L)(f_1 \otimes a \otimes f_2)$$

for every $a \in \mathfrak{A}$ and $f_i \in K(G)$. Therefore, we obtain by definition that

$$C_d^*(C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \beta) = \text{Ad}(W) \circ \text{Ind}(l \otimes L)[C_r^*(\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* C_0(G); \alpha \otimes \tau)],$$

which implies the following proposition :

PROPOSITION 3.1. *Let $(\mathfrak{A}, G, \alpha)$ be a C*-dynamical system. Then the dual C*-crossed product $C_d^*((C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \beta)$ of $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ by β is isomorphic to the reduced C*-crossed product $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* C_0(G); \alpha \otimes \tau)$ of $\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* C_0(G)$ by $\alpha \otimes \tau$, where $\tau_g(f)(h) = f(g^{-1}h)$ for every $f \in C_0(G)$.*

As we have seen in the abelian case, using the automorphism Φ of $\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* C_0(G)$ such that

$$(3.5) \quad \Phi(x)(g) = \alpha_g^{-1}[x(g)] \quad ([4]),$$

we deduce the following proposition.

PROPOSITION 3.2. *The C*-algebra $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* C_0(G); \alpha \otimes \tau)$ is isomorphic to the reduced C*-crossed product $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* C_0(G); l \otimes \tau)$ of $\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* C_0(G)$ by $l \otimes \tau$.*

PROOF. By (3.5), it is easy to see that Φ is an automorphism of $\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* C_0(G)$. Since

$$\Phi \circ \alpha_g \otimes \tau_g \circ \Phi^{-1} = l \otimes \tau_g$$

for every $g \in G$, we have the conclusion.

Q. E. D.

Now we show the compatibility between reduced crossed products and tensor products with respect to $\|\cdot\|_*$ -cross norm which was announced in [4].

PROPOSITION 3.3. *Let $(\mathfrak{A}, G, \alpha)$, (\mathfrak{B}, H, β) be two C*-dynamical systems. Then for the C*-dynamical system $(\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* \mathfrak{B}, G \times H, \alpha \otimes \beta)$, the reduced C*-crossed product $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* \mathfrak{B}; \alpha \otimes \beta)$ of $\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* \mathfrak{B}$ by $\alpha \otimes \beta$ is isomorphic to the tensor product $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha) \hat{\otimes}_* C_r^*(\mathfrak{B}; \beta)$ of $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ and $C_r^*(\mathfrak{B}; \beta)$.*

PROOF. Let π (resp. ρ) be a faithful representation of \mathfrak{A} (resp. \mathfrak{B}) on \mathfrak{H}_π (resp. \mathfrak{H}_ρ). By [6], the tensor product $\pi \otimes \rho$ is faithful on $\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* \mathfrak{B}$. Consider the induced representation $\text{Ind}(\pi \otimes \rho)$ of $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* \mathfrak{B}; \alpha \otimes \beta)$ by $\pi \otimes \rho$. Then it is faithful ([4]). For $x \in \mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* \mathfrak{B}$, and $f \in K(G \times H)$, we compute that

$$(3.6) \quad \begin{aligned} & [\text{Ind}(\pi \otimes \rho)(f \otimes x)\xi_1 \otimes \xi_2](g_0, h_0) \\ &= \iint_{G \times H} \overline{(\pi \otimes \rho)[f(g, h)x]}\bar{\lambda}(g, h)\xi_1 \otimes \xi_2(g_0, h_0)dgdh \end{aligned}$$

for every $\xi_1 \in L^2(G; \mathfrak{H}_\pi)$ and $\xi_2 \in L^2(H; \mathfrak{H}_\rho)$.

Put $x = a \otimes b$ ($a \in \mathfrak{A}$, $b \in \mathfrak{B}$), and $f = f_1 \otimes f_2$ ($f_1 \in K(G)$, $f_2 \in K(H)$) in (3.6), then it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & [\text{Ind}(\pi \otimes \rho)(f_1 \otimes f_2 \otimes a \otimes b)(\xi_1 \otimes \xi_2)](g_0, h_0) \\ &= \iint_{G \times H} f_1(g)f_2(h)\overline{(\pi \otimes \rho)(a \otimes b)}\bar{\lambda}(g, h)(\xi_1 \otimes \xi_2)(g_0, h_0)dgdh \\ &= \iint_{G \times H} f_1(g)f_2(h)\pi \circ \alpha_{g_0}^{-1}(a)\xi_1(g^{-1}g_0) \otimes \rho \circ \beta_{h_0}^{-1}(b)\xi_2(h^{-1}h_0)dgdh \\ &= \left(\int_G f_1(g)\pi \circ \alpha_{g_0}^{-1}(a)\xi_1(g^{-1}g_0)dg\right) \otimes \left(\int_H f_2(h)\rho \circ \beta_{h_0}^{-1}(b)\xi_2(h^{-1}h_0)dh\right) \\ &= [(\text{Ind} \pi)(f_1 \otimes a)\xi_1](g_0) \otimes [(\text{Ind} \rho)(f_2 \otimes b)\xi_2](h_0) \\ &= [(\text{Ind} \pi)(f_1 \otimes a) \otimes (\text{Ind} \rho)(f_2 \otimes b)](\xi_1 \otimes \xi_2)(g_0, h_0) \end{aligned}$$

for every $\xi_1 \in L^2(G; \mathfrak{H}_\pi)$ and $\xi_2 \in L^2(H; \mathfrak{H}_\rho)$ when we identify $L^2(G \times H; \mathfrak{H}_\pi \otimes \mathfrak{H}_\rho)$ as $L^2(G; \mathfrak{H}_\pi) \otimes L^2(H; \mathfrak{H}_\rho)$ by the natural mapping. Therefore, we have that

$$(3.7) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{Ind}(\pi \otimes \rho)(f_1 \otimes f_2 \otimes a \otimes b) &= (\text{Ind} \pi)(f_1 \otimes a) \otimes (\text{Ind} \rho)(f_2 \otimes b) \\ &= [(\text{Ind} \pi) \otimes (\text{Ind} \rho)][(f_1 \otimes a) \otimes (f_2 \otimes b)] \end{aligned}$$

for every $a \in \mathfrak{A}$, $b \in \mathfrak{B}$, $f_1 \in K(G)$, and $f_2 \in K(H)$.

By (3.7), we easily see that

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Ind}(\pi \otimes \rho)[C_r^*(\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* \mathfrak{B}; \alpha \otimes \beta)] \\ &= (\text{Ind} \pi) \otimes (\text{Ind} \rho)[C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha) \hat{\otimes}_* C_r^*(\mathfrak{B}; \beta)]. \end{aligned}$$

Since π (resp. ρ) is faithful on \mathfrak{A} (resp. \mathfrak{B}), $\text{Ind} \pi$ (resp. $\text{Ind} \rho$) is faithful on $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ (resp. $C_r^*(\mathfrak{B}; \beta)$) (cf. [4]). So, $(\text{Ind} \pi) \otimes (\text{Ind} \rho)$ is faithful on $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha) \hat{\otimes}_* C_r^*(\mathfrak{B}; \beta)$. This completes the proof. Q. E. D.

Applying the above proposition to the C^* -dynamical systems $(\mathfrak{A}, \{e\}, l)$ and $(C_0(G), G, \tau)$, we have by Proposition 3.1 and Proposition 3.2 the following:

PROPOSITION 3.4. *The dual C^* -crossed product $C_d^*(C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \beta)$ of $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ by β is isomorphic to the tensor product $\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* C_r^*(C_0(G); \tau)$ of \mathfrak{A} and $C_r^*(C_0(G); \tau)$.*

In what follows, we shall show that $C_r^*(C_0(G); \tau)$ is isomorphic to the C^* -algebra $\mathcal{C}(L^2(G))$ of all compact operators on $L^2(G)$.

Let $\delta(f) = f(e)$ for every $f \in C_0(G)$. Then the direct sum $\bigoplus_{g \in G} \tau_g \circ \delta$ of $\tau_g \circ \delta$ is faithful on $C_0(G)$. Therefore, it follows by [4] that $\text{Ind} \delta$ is faithful on

$C_r^*(C_0(G); \tau)$. Computing the operator $(\text{Ind } \delta)(x)$ for $x \in K(G \times G)$, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} [(\text{Ind } \delta)(x)\xi](g) &= \int_G x(g, h)\xi(h^{-1}g)dh \\ &= \int_G x(g, gh^{-1})\Delta(h)^{-1}\xi(h)dh \\ &= \int_G y(g, h)\xi(h)dh \end{aligned}$$

for every $\xi \in L^2(G)$, where $y(g, h) = x(g, gh^{-1})\Delta(h)^{-1}$. Since $x \in K(G \times G)$, $y \in L^2(G \times G)$. So $(\text{Ind } \delta)(x)$ is an operator of Hilbert-Schmidt class. Hence $(\text{Ind } \delta)(x) \in \mathcal{C}(L^2(G))$. Since $K(G \times G)$ is dense in $C_r^*(C_0(G); \tau)$, we have that

$$(\text{Ind } \delta)[C_r^*(C_0(G); \tau)] \subset \mathcal{C}(L^2(G)).$$

Moreover, since δ is a character of $C_0(G)$ and τ is free on $C_0(G)^\wedge$, it implies by [5] that $\text{Ind } \delta$ is an irreducible representation of $C_r^*(C_0(G); \tau)$ on $L^2(G)$. Therefore, we deduce by [1] that

$$(\text{Ind } \delta)[C_r^*(C_0(G); \tau)] = \mathcal{C}(L^2(G)).$$

We now state the above argument as follows:

PROPOSITION 3.5. *The reduced C^* -crossed product $C_r^*(C_0(G); \tau)$ of $C_0(G)$ by τ is isomorphic to the C^* -algebra $\mathcal{C}(L^2(G))$ of all compact operators on $L^2(G)$.*

Combining all the propositions that we obtained, we have the following theorem:

THEOREM 3.6. *Let $(\mathfrak{A}, G, \alpha)$ be a C^* -dynamical system, and $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ be the reduced C^* -crossed product of \mathfrak{A} by α acting on $L^2(G; \mathfrak{H})$ in such a way as (2.4). Then there exists an isomorphism β of $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ into the full operator algebra $\mathfrak{B}(L^2(G \times G; \mathfrak{H}))$ on $L^2(G \times G; \mathfrak{H})$ such that the dual C^* -crossed product $C_d^*(C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \beta)$ of $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ by β is isomorphic to the tensor product $\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* \mathcal{C}(L^2(G))$ of \mathfrak{A} and the C^* -algebra $\mathcal{C}(L^2(G))$ of all compact operators on $L^2(G)$.*

§ 4. Duality in the abelian case.

Suppose $(\mathfrak{A}, G, \alpha)$ is a C^* -dynamical system based on a locally compact abelian group G . According to [4], we can construct a C^* -dynamical system $(C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \hat{G}, \hat{\alpha})$ based on the character group \hat{G} of G such that

$$(4.1) \quad \hat{\alpha}_p(x)(g) = \langle \overline{g}, \hat{p} \rangle x(g)$$

for every $x \in L^1_\alpha(G; \mathfrak{A})$ and $p \in \hat{G}$. Let $C_r^*(C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \hat{\alpha})$ be the reduced C^* -crossed product of $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ by $\hat{\alpha}$. In what follows, we shall show that $C_r^*(C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \hat{\alpha})$ is isomorphic to the dual C^* -crossed product $C_d^*(C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \beta)$ of $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ by β defined in the previous section.

Since we may assume that $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ is acting on $L^2(G; \mathfrak{H})$ by the fashion as (2.4), it follows by (4.1) that

$$(4.2) \quad \hat{\alpha}_p = \text{Ad}(\hat{U}_p) \quad \text{on} \quad C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha) \quad (p \in \hat{G}),$$

where $(\hat{U}_p \hat{\xi})(g) = \langle \overline{g}, p \rangle \hat{\xi}(g)$ for every $\hat{\xi} \in L^2(G; \mathfrak{H})$.

Let l_r be the identity representation of $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ on $L^2(G; \mathfrak{H})$. Then $\text{Ind } l_r$ is the faithful representation of $C_r^*(C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \hat{\alpha})$ on $L^2(G \times \hat{G}; \mathfrak{H})$. For $x \in C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$, and $f \in L^1(G)$, we see that

$$(4.3) \quad \begin{aligned} (\text{Ind } l_r)(f \otimes x) &= \int_{\hat{G}} \hat{l}_r[(f \otimes x)(p)] \bar{\lambda}(p) dp \\ &= \int_{\hat{G}} f(p) \hat{l}_r(x) (1_{L^2(G; \mathfrak{H})} \otimes \lambda(p)) dp. \end{aligned}$$

Let F be the isometry mapping from $L^2(G \times \hat{G}; \mathfrak{H})$ onto $L^2(G \times G; \mathfrak{H})$ such that

$$(4.4) \quad (F \hat{\xi})(g, h) = \int_{\hat{G}} \langle \overline{h}, p \rangle \hat{\xi}(g, p) dp$$

for every $\hat{\xi} \in K(G \times \hat{G}; \mathfrak{H})$, the set of all \mathfrak{H} -valued continuous functions on $G \times G$ with compact support. Then we have by (4.3) and (4.4) that

$$(4.5) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{Ad}(F) \circ (\text{Ind } l_r)(f \otimes x) &= \int_{\hat{G}} f(p) \text{Ad}(F) \circ \hat{l}_r(x) \text{Ad}(F) \circ (1_{L^2(G; \mathfrak{H})} \otimes \lambda(p)) dp \\ &= \text{Ad}(F) \circ \hat{l}_r(x) \text{Ad}(F) \circ (1_{L^2(G; \mathfrak{H})} \otimes \int_{\hat{G}} f(p) \lambda(p) dp) \\ &= \text{Ad}(F) \circ \hat{l}_r(x) (1_{L^2(G; \mathfrak{H})} \otimes L_{\hat{f}}), \end{aligned}$$

where \hat{f} is the Fourier image of f . Moreover, it follows by (2.4) and (4.2) that for $a \in \mathfrak{A}$ and $f' \in K(G)$,

$$\begin{aligned} &[\text{Ad}(F) \circ \hat{l}_r(f' \otimes a) \hat{\xi}](g, h) \\ &= \int_{\hat{G}} \langle \overline{h}, p \rangle (\hat{l}_r(f' \otimes a) F^* \hat{\xi})(g, p) dp \\ &= \int_{\hat{G}} \langle \overline{h}, p \rangle [\hat{\alpha}_p^{-1}(f' \otimes a) F^* \hat{\xi}](g, p) dp \\ &= \int_{\hat{G}} \langle \overline{h}, p \rangle [U_p^*(f' \otimes a) \hat{U}_p F^* \hat{\xi}](g, p) dp \\ &= \int_{\hat{G}} \langle \overline{h}, p \rangle \langle g, p \rangle \int_G \alpha_g^{-1}[(f' \otimes a)(k)] (\hat{U}_p F^* \hat{\xi})(k^{-1}g, p) dk dp \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \iint_{\hat{G} \times G} \langle \overline{h}, \overline{p} \rangle \langle k, p \rangle f'(k) \alpha_g^{-1}(a) (F^* \xi)(k^{-1}g, p) dk dp \\
 &= \iiint_{\hat{G} \times G \times G} \langle \overline{hk^{-1}}, \overline{p} \rangle f'(k) \alpha_g^{-1}(a) \langle l, p \rangle \xi(k^{-1}g, l) dl dk dp \\
 &= \int_G f'(k) dk \iint_{\hat{G} \times G} \langle h^{-1}l, p \rangle \alpha_g^{-1}(a) \xi(k^{-1}g, k^{-1}l) dl dp \\
 &= \int_G f'(k) \alpha_g^{-1}(a) \xi(k^{-1}g, k^{-1}h) dk \\
 &= \int_G f'(k) [(\bar{l}(a) \otimes 1_{L^2(G)}) (\bar{\lambda}(k) \otimes \lambda(k)) \xi](g, h) dk \\
 &= \int_G (\bar{l}[(f' \otimes a)(k)] \bar{\lambda}(k) \otimes \lambda(k) \xi)(g, h) dk
 \end{aligned}$$

for every $\xi \in L^2(G \times G; \mathfrak{H})$. Therefore, we obtain by (2.6) that

$$(4.6) \quad \text{Ad}(F) \circ \bar{l}_r(f' \otimes a) = \beta(f' \otimes a)$$

for every $a \in \mathfrak{A}$ and $f' \in K(G)$. By (4.5) and (4.6), we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (4.7) \quad &\text{Ad}(F) \circ (\text{Ind } l_r)(f \otimes f' \otimes a) \\
 &= \text{Ad}(F) \circ \bar{l}_r(f' \otimes a)(1_{L^2(G; \mathfrak{H})} \otimes L_{\hat{f}}) \\
 &= \beta(f' \otimes a)(1_{L^2(G; \mathfrak{H})} \otimes L_{\hat{f}}) \\
 &= [\bar{f}^* (\bar{f}' \otimes a^*)]^*,
 \end{aligned}$$

where \bar{f} is the complex conjugate of f . By the definition of $C_d^*(C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \beta)$, we see by (4.7) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\text{Ad}(F) \circ (\text{Ind } l_r)[C_r^*(C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \hat{\alpha})] \\
 &= C_d^*(C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \beta),
 \end{aligned}$$

which means that $C_r^*(C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \hat{\alpha})$ is isomorphic to $C_d^*(C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \beta)$. Since G is abelian, we know by [4] that $C_r^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ is identified with the C^* -crossed product $C^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha)$ of \mathfrak{A} by α .

Summing up the above argument, we deduce by Theorem 3.6 the following abelian version:

THEOREM 4.1. *Let $(\mathfrak{A}, G, \alpha)$ be a C^* -dynamical system where G is abelian. Let \hat{G} be the dual group of G . Then there exists a C^* -dynamical system $(C^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \hat{G}, \hat{\alpha})$ such that the C^* -crossed product $C^*(C^*(\mathfrak{A}; \alpha); \hat{\alpha})$ is isomorphic to the tensor product $\mathfrak{A} \hat{\otimes}_* C(L^2(G))$ of \mathfrak{A} and the C^* -algebra $C(L^2(G))$ of all compact operators on $L^2(G)$ ([4]).*

REMARK. In [2], Landstad also discussed a duality for C^* -crossed products.

However, our dual object seems to be closer to Nakagami's one rather than Landstad's method.

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