

The Baum-Connes conjecture, localisation of categories and
quantum groups

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Chapter 1

The Baum-Connes conjecture

1.1 Proper actions

Let G be a topological group, and H its compact subgroup. Let X be a paracompact Hausdorff topological space with a G -action, such that the quotient X/G is paracompact and Hausdorff.

Definition 1.1. The action $G \times X \rightarrow X$ is *proper* if for every point $p \in X$ there is a triple (U, H, ρ) , such that U is an open set in X with $p \in U$ and $gu \in U$ for every $(g, u) \in G \times U$, $\rho: U \rightarrow G/H$ is a G -map.

Let $S := \rho^{-1}(eH)$, where $e \in G$ is a unit of G . Then $G \times S$ is a H -space by

$$(g, s)h = (gh^{-1}, hs),$$

and there is a map

$$G \times_H S \longrightarrow U \xrightarrow{\rho} G/H$$

$$(g, s) \longmapsto gs$$

1.2 Universal G -space for proper actions

Recall that if X, Y are G -spaces, then a G -map from X to Y is a continuous G -equivariant map $f: X \rightarrow Y$

$$f(gp) = gf(p), \quad a \in G, p \in X.$$

Two G -maps $f_0, f_1: X \rightarrow Y$ are G -homotopic if they are homotopic through G -maps, i.e. there exists a homotopy $\{f_t\}$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$ with each f_t a G -map.

Definition 1.2. A G -space X is **proper** if

- X is paracompact and Hausdorff,
- the quotient space X/G (with the quotient topology) is paracompact and Hausdorff.
- for each $p \in X$ there exists a triple (U, H, ρ) such that
 1. U is an open neighbourhood of p in X with $gu \in U$ for all $g \in G, u \in U$,

2. H is a compact subgroup of G ,
3. $\rho: U \rightarrow G/H$ is a G -map from U to G/H .

Proposition 1.3 (Chabert, Echterhoff, Meyer). *If X is a locally compact Hausdorff second countable G -space, then X is proper if and only if the map*

$$G \times X \rightarrow X \times X, \quad (g, x) \mapsto (gx, x)$$

is proper (i.e. the preimage of any compact set in $X \times X$ is compact).

Definition 1.4. A **universal G -space for proper actions**, denoted $\underline{E}G$ is a proper G -space such that if X is any proper G -space, then there exists a G -map $f: X \rightarrow \underline{E}G$ and any two G -maps from X to $\underline{E}G$ are G -homotopic.

Lemma 1.5. *There exists universal G -space for proper actions.*

The space $\underline{E}G$ is unique up to homotopy. Indeed, if $\underline{E}G$ and $(\underline{E}G)'$ are both universal examples for proper actions of G , then there exists G -maps

$$\begin{aligned} f: \underline{E}G &\rightarrow (\underline{E}G)' \\ f': (\underline{E}G)' &\rightarrow \underline{E}G \end{aligned}$$

with $f' \circ f$ and $f \circ f'$ G -homotopic to the identity maps of $\underline{E}G$ and $(\underline{E}G)'$ respectively. Moreover f and f' are unique up to homotopy.

There is a following set of axioms for $\underline{E}G$

1. Y is a proper G -space,
2. if H is any compact subgroup of G then there exists $p \in Y$ with $hp = p$ for all $h \in H$
3. if we view $Y \times Y$ as a G -space with action

$$g(y_0, y_1) = (gy_0, gy_1),$$

$$\rho_0, \rho_1: Y \times Y \rightarrow Y, \quad \rho_0(y_0, y_1) = y_0, \quad \rho_1(y_0, y_1) = y_1,$$

then ρ_0 and ρ_1 are G -homotopic.

Lemma 1.6. *If Y satisfies the axioms 1,2,3, then Y is an $\underline{E}G$.*

Example 1.7.

- If G is compact, then $\underline{E}G = \text{pt}$.
- If G is a Lie group with $\pi_0(G)$ finite, then $\underline{E}G = G/H$, where H is maximal compact subgroup of G .
- If G is a p -adic group then $\underline{E}G$ is the affine Bruhat-Tits building for G , denoted by βG . Affine Bruhat-Tits building for $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Q}_p)$ is the $(p+1)$ -regular tree, that is a tree with exactly $p+1$ edges at each vertex.

- If Γ is (countable) discrete group, then

$$\underline{\mathbb{E}}\Gamma = \{f: \Gamma \rightarrow [0, 1] \mid \{\gamma \in \Gamma \mid f(\gamma) \neq 0\} \text{ is finite, } \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} f(\gamma) = 1\}$$

The action is given by $(\beta f)(\gamma) = f(\beta^{-1}\gamma)$ for $\beta, \gamma \in \Gamma$, $f: \Gamma \rightarrow [0, 1]$. The space $\underline{\mathbb{E}}\Gamma$ is topologized by the metric

$$d(f, h) = \left(\sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} |f(\gamma) - h(\gamma)|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Definition 1.8. A subset $\Delta \subset \underline{\mathbb{E}}G$ is G -compact if

1. $gx \in \Delta$ for all $g \in G$, $x \in \Delta$,
2. the quotient space G/Δ is compact.

Set

$$\mathbb{K}_j^G(\underline{\mathbb{E}}G) = \lim_{\longrightarrow \Delta \subset \underline{\mathbb{E}}G, \Delta \text{ is } G\text{-compact}} \mathbb{K}_j^G(\Delta).$$

$\mathbb{K}_j^G(\underline{\mathbb{E}}G)$ is the equivariant K-homology of $\underline{\mathbb{E}}G$ with G -compact supports. There is a map

$$\mu: \mathbb{K}_j^G(\underline{\mathbb{E}}) \rightarrow \mathbb{K}_j(C_r^*G)$$

$$(\mathcal{H}, \psi, \pi, T) \mapsto \text{Index}(T).$$

If X is a proper G -space with quotient X/G compact, then

$$\mathcal{E}_j^G(X) := \mathcal{E}_G^j(C_0(X)) = \{(\mathcal{H}, \psi, \pi, T)\}$$

and

$$\mathbb{K}_j^G(X) := \text{KK}_G^j(C_0(X), \mathbb{C}) = \{(\mathcal{H}, \psi, \pi, T)\} / \sim, \quad j = 0, 1,$$

is the Kasparov equivariant K -homology of X . If X, Y are proper G -spaces with compact quotient spaces $X/G, Y/G$, and $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a continuous G -equivariant map, then $f^*: C_0(Y) \rightarrow C_0(X)$, $f^*(\alpha) = \alpha \circ f$ induces a homomorphism of abelian groups $f_*: \mathbb{K}_j^G(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{K}_j^G(Y)$,

$$(\mathcal{H}, \psi, \pi, T) \mapsto (\mathcal{H}, \psi \circ f^*, \pi, T).$$

The map

$$\mu: \mathbb{K}_j^G(\underline{\mathbb{E}}) \rightarrow \mathbb{K}_j(C_r^*G)$$

is natural, that is there is commutativity in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{K}_j^G(X) & \xrightarrow{f_*} & \mathbb{K}_j^G(Y) \\ & \searrow & \swarrow \\ & \mathbb{K}_j(C_r^*G) & \end{array}$$

1.3 The Baum-Connes Conjecture

Conjecture 1 (P. Baum, A. Connes, 1980). *Let G be a locally compact Hausdorff second countable topological group. Then*

$$\mu: K_j^G(\underline{E}) \rightarrow K_j(C_r^*G)$$

is an isomorphism for $j = 0, 1$.

It is known that the conjecture is true for

- compact groups,
- abelian groups,
- Lie groups ($\pi_0(G)$ finite),
- p -adic groups,
- adelic groups.

It is not known if the conjecture is true for all discrete groups.

Theorem 1.9 (T. Schick). *Let B_n be the Braid group on n strands, $n \geq 2$. Then BC is true for B_n .*

Theorem 1.10 (N. Higson, G. Kasparov). *If Γ is a discrete group which is amenable (or a - t -amenable), then BC is true for Γ .*

Theorem 1.11 (I. Mineyev, G. Yu, V. Lafforgue). *If Γ is a discrete group which is hyperbolic (in Gromov's sense), then BC is true for Γ .*

Theorem 1.12 (V. Lafforgue). *If Γ is any discrete co-compact subgroup of $SL(3, \mathbb{R})$, then BC is true for Γ .*

Theorem 1.13 (G. Kasparov, P. Julg). *If Γ is any discrete subgroup of $SO(n, 1)$, $SU(n, 1)$ or $Sp(n, 1)$, then BC is true for Γ .*

There are following corollaries of the Baum-Connes conjecture.

- Novikov conjecture
- Stable Gromov-Lawson-Rosenberg conjecture
- Idempotent conjecture
- Kadison-Kaplansky conjecture
- Mackey analogy
- Construction of the discrete series via Dirac induction (Parthasarathy, Atiyah, Schmidt)
- Homotopy invariance of ρ -invariants (Keswani, Piazza, Schick)

1.3.1 The conjecture with coefficients

Definition 1.14. A G - C^* -algebra is a C^* -algebra A with a given continuous action of G

$$G \times A \rightarrow A$$

by C^* -algebra automorphisms. The continuity condition is: for each $a \in A$

$$G \rightarrow A, g \mapsto ga$$

is continuous map from G to A .

Let A be a G - C^* -algebra. Form the reduced crossed product C^* -algebra $C_r^*(G, A)$. The goal is to determine $K_j(C_r^*(G, A))$. Let $K_j^G(\underline{E}G, A)$ denote the equivariant K-homology of $\underline{E}G$ with G -compact supports and coefficients A , that is

$$K_j^G(\underline{E}G, A) := \lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \\ \Delta \subset \underline{E}G, \Delta \text{ } G\text{-compact}}} \text{KK}_G^j(C_0(\Delta), A).$$

Conjecture 2 (P. Baum, A. Connes 1980). *Let G be a locally compact Hausdorff second countable topological group, and let A be any G - C^* -algebra, then*

$$\mu: K_j^G(\underline{E}G, A) \rightarrow K_j(C_r^*(G, A))$$

is an isomorphism for $j = 0, 1$.

Let Γ be a finitely presented discrete group which contains an expander in its Cayley graph. Such a Γ is a counter-example to the conjecture with coefficients. M. Gromov outlined a proof that such a Γ exists. A number of mathematicians are now filling in the details.

Definition 1.15. We say that the group G is *exact* if for every exact sequence of C^* -algebras

$$0 \rightarrow I \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow 0$$

the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow C_r^*(G, I) \rightarrow C_r^*(G, A) \rightarrow C_r^*(G, B) \rightarrow 0$$

is exact.

Remark 1.16. It is very hard to find an example of a group which is not exact. Gromov gave an example of a group Γ which *Cayley graph* contains an *expander graph*. Such group will not be exact. Gromov's group Γ will be also a counterexample to the Baum-Connes conjecture with coefficients. Consider a Stone-Ćech compactification $\beta\Gamma$. Then we can identify $C(\beta\Gamma)$ with $l^\infty(\Gamma)$, and there is an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow C_0(\Gamma) \rightarrow C(\beta\Gamma) \rightarrow C(\beta\Gamma - \Gamma) \rightarrow 0,$$

which after applying reduced crossed product $\rtimes_r \Gamma$ will not be exact.

1.4 Assembly map

Let $\Delta \subset X$ be a proper G -space.

Definition 1.17. We say that Δ is G -compact if Δ is G -invariant and Δ/G is compact and Hausdorff.

We define an equivariant K-homology of $\underline{E}G$ by means of Kasparov equivariant KK-theory

$$K_j^G(\underline{E}G) = \operatorname{colim}_{\substack{\Delta \in \underline{E}G \\ G\text{-compact}}} \operatorname{KK}_G^j(C_0(\Delta), \mathbb{C}), \quad (1.1)$$

$$K_j^G(\underline{E}G, A) = \operatorname{colim}_{\substack{\Delta \in \underline{E}G \\ G\text{-compact}}} \operatorname{KK}_G^j(C_0(\Delta), A). \quad (1.2)$$

If A, B are separable G - C^* -algebras, then there is a *Kasparov descent map*

$$\operatorname{KK}_G^j(A, B) \rightarrow \operatorname{KK}^j(C_r^*(G, A), C_r^*(G, B)). \quad (1.3)$$

Let M be a C^∞ -manifold, $\partial M = \emptyset$, and

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C^\infty(E^0) & \xrightarrow{D} & C^\infty(E^1) \\ \subset \downarrow & & \subset \downarrow \\ L^2(E^0) & \xrightarrow{D} & L^2(E^1) \end{array}$$

an elliptic differential operator. It may have to be normalized

$$D \mapsto D(\operatorname{Id} + D^*D)^{-\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Then

$$\operatorname{Index}(D) \in \operatorname{KK}^0(C_0(M), \mathbb{C}).$$

In the definition of assembly map

$$\mu: K_j^G(\underline{E}G) \rightarrow K_j(C_r^*(G))$$

we use the Kasparov product and descent map. Recall that if A, B, D are separable G - C^* -algebras, then there is a product

$$\operatorname{KK}_G^i(A, B) \otimes \operatorname{KK}_G^j(B, D) \rightarrow \operatorname{KK}_G^{i+j}(A, D), \quad i, j = 0, 1,$$

and descent map

$$\operatorname{KK}_G^j(A, B) \rightarrow \operatorname{KK}^j(C_r^*(G, A), C_r^*(G, B)), \quad j = 0, 1.$$

Let X be a proper G -compact G -space. We define a map

$$\operatorname{KK}_G^j(C_0(X), \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow K_j(C_r^*(G))$$

as the composition of Kasparov descent map

$$\operatorname{KK}_G^j(C_0(X), \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \operatorname{KK}^j(C_r^*(G, X), C_r^*(G))$$

and Kasparov product with

$$\mathbf{1} = X \times \mathbb{C} \in K_0(C_r^*(G, X)) = \operatorname{KK}^0(\mathbb{C}, C_r^*(G, X)).$$

Recall the definition of equivariant K-homology of $\underline{E}G$

$$K_j^G(\underline{E}G) := \lim_{\rightarrow \Delta \subset \underline{E}G, \Delta \text{ } G\text{-compact}} \text{KK}_G^j(C_0(\Delta), \mathbb{C}).$$

For each G -compact $\Delta \subset \underline{E}G$ we have

$$\mu: \text{KK}_G^j(C_0(\Delta), \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow K_j(C_r^*(G)).$$

If Δ, Ω are two G -compact subsets of $\underline{E}G$ with $\Delta \subset \Omega$, then the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{KK}_G^j(C_0(\Delta), \mathbb{C}) & \longrightarrow & \text{KK}_G^j(C_0(\Omega), \mathbb{C}) \\ & \searrow & \swarrow \\ & K_j(C_r^*(G)) & \end{array}$$

commutes, so we obtain

$$\mu: K_j^G(\underline{E}G) \rightarrow K_j(C_r^*(G)).$$

If A is a G - C^* -algebra then we define the equivariant K-homology of $\underline{E}G$ with coefficients in A by

$$K_j^G(\underline{E}G; A) := \lim_{\rightarrow \Delta \subset \underline{E}G, \Delta \text{ } G\text{-compact}} \text{KK}_G^j(C_0(\Delta), A).$$

We define also a map

$$\mu: rK_j(\underline{E}G; A) \rightarrow K_j(C_r^*(G, A)).$$

as the composition of Kasparov descent map

$$\text{KK}_G^j(C_0(X), A) \rightarrow \text{KK}^j(C_r^*(G, X), C_r^*(G, A))$$

and Kasparov product with

$$\mathbf{1} = X \times \mathbb{C} \in K_0(C_r^*(G, X)) = \text{KK}^0(\mathbb{C}, C_r^*(G, X)).$$

For each G -compact $\Delta \subset \underline{E}G$ we have

$$\mu: \text{KK}_G^j(C_0(\Delta), A) \rightarrow K_j(C_r^*(G, A)).$$

If Δ, Ω are two G -compact subsets of $\underline{E}G$ with $\Delta \subset \Omega$, then the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{KK}_G^j(C_0(\Delta), A) & \longrightarrow & \text{KK}_G^j(C_0(\Omega), A) \\ & \searrow & \swarrow \\ & K_j(C_r^*(G, A)) & \end{array}$$

commutes, so we obtain

$$\mu: K_j^G(\underline{E}G, A) \rightarrow K_j(C_r^*(G, A)).$$

Let A, B be G - C^* -algebras. We denote by KK_G a category of G - C^* -algebras with morphisms $\text{KK}_G(A, B)$. Let $\varphi \in \text{KK}_G(A, B)$. On the left side of the Baum-Connes conjecture φ induces a map

$$K_j^G(\underline{E}G, A) \rightarrow K_j^G(\underline{E}G, B) \tag{1.4}$$

by the Kasparov product with φ .

For any subgroup $H \leq G$ there is a restriction map

$$\text{KK}_G^0(A, B) \rightarrow \text{KK}_H^0(A, B), \varphi \mapsto \varphi|_H. \tag{1.5}$$

Theorem 1.18. *Suppose φ is an equivalence when restricted to any compact subgroup $H \leq G$. Then the map 1.4 is an isomorphism.*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathrm{K}_j(\underline{E}G, A) & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{K}_j(\underline{E}G, B) \\ \parallel & & \parallel \\ \mathrm{colim}_{\substack{\Delta \subset \underline{E}G \\ G\text{-compact}}} \mathrm{KK}_G^j(C_0(\Delta), A) & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{colim}_{\substack{\Delta \subset \underline{E}G \\ G\text{-compact}}} \mathrm{KK}_G^j(C_0(\Delta), B) \end{array}$$

Proof. It suffices to assume that X is G -compact proper G -space, because Kasparov product commutes with colim. For an H -space Y we have an induced G -space $G \times_H Y$, which is a quotient $G \times Y/H$ with respect to the following H -action

$$(g, y)h = (gh^{-1}, hy).$$

By the Mayer-Vietoris sequence, it suffices to prove the theorem for $X = G \times_H S$ with S compact. Indeed, any pullback diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_0 \otimes_B A_1 & \longrightarrow & A_0 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ A_1 & \longrightarrow & B \end{array}$$

gives rise to the six-term exact sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathrm{KK}^0(A_0 \otimes_B A_1, \mathbb{C}) & \longleftarrow & \mathrm{KK}^0(A_0, \mathbb{C}) \oplus \mathrm{KK}^0(A_1, \mathbb{C}) & \longleftarrow & \mathrm{KK}^0(B, \mathbb{C}) \\ \downarrow & & & & \uparrow \\ \mathrm{KK}^1(B, \mathbb{C}) & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{KK}^1(A_0, \mathbb{C}) \oplus \mathrm{KK}^1(A_1, \mathbb{C}) & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{KK}^1(A_0 \otimes_B A_1, \mathbb{C}) \end{array}$$

Now replace \mathbb{C} by D , and consider an equivariant case to get a six-term exact sequence for $\mathrm{KK}_G(-, D)$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathrm{KK}_G^0(A_0 \otimes_B A_1, D) & \longleftarrow & \mathrm{KK}_G^0(A_0, D) \oplus \mathrm{KK}_G^0(A_1, D) & \longleftarrow & \mathrm{KK}_G^0(B, D) \\ \downarrow & & & & \uparrow \\ \mathrm{KK}_G^1(B, D) & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{KK}_G^1(A_0, D) \oplus \mathrm{KK}_G^1(A_1, D) & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{KK}_G^1(A_0 \otimes_B A_1, D) \end{array}$$

Using

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C_0(U \cup V) & \longrightarrow & C_0(U) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ C_0(V) & \longrightarrow & C_0(U \cap V) \end{array}$$

we reduce by the five-lemma to the case $X = G \times_H S$, with S compact.

Frobenius reciprocity:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} G & \mathrm{Ind}_H^G(\psi) & \varphi & \mathrm{Hom}_G(\mathrm{Ind}_H^G(\psi), \varphi) \\ & & & \downarrow \simeq \\ H & \psi & \varphi|_H & \mathrm{Hom}_H(\psi, \varphi|_H) \end{array}$$

Frobenius reciprocity in KK_G :

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} G & & \text{Ind}_H^G(A) & & B & & \text{KK}_G^j(\text{Ind}_H^G(A), B) \\ & & & & & & \downarrow \simeq \\ H & & A & & B & & \text{KK}_H^j(A, B) \end{array}$$

Induction of H - C^* -algebra is a G - C^* -algebra $G \times_H A$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{KK}_G^j(C_0(G \times_H S), A) & \longrightarrow & \text{KK}_G^j(C_0(G \times_H S), B) \\ \simeq \downarrow & & \simeq \downarrow \\ \text{KK}_H^j(C(S), A) & \longrightarrow & \text{KK}_H^j(C(S), B) \end{array}$$

□

Nest-Meyer reformulation of the Baum-Connes conjecture with coefficients:

If $\varphi \in \text{KK}_G^0(A, B)$ is an equivalence when restricted to any compact subgroup $H \leq G$, then

$$\varphi_*: \text{K}_j(C_r^*(G, A)) \rightarrow \text{K}_j(C_r^*(G, B))$$

is an isomorphism for $j = 0, 1$. Meyer and Nest proved that for each C^* -algebra there exists a projective object P and a weak equivalence $P \rightarrow A$. The Baum-Connes conjecture is true for projectives.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{KK}_G^j(\underline{E}G, P) & \xrightarrow{\varphi_*} & \text{KK}_G^j(\underline{E}G, A) \\ \simeq \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{B-C map} \\ \text{K}_j(C_r^*(G, P)) & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & \text{K}_j(C_r^*(G, A)) \end{array}$$

1.5 Reduced crossed product algebra

Let G be a locally compact, second countable group, and A a G - C^* -algebra. The goal is to compute the K-theory of the reduced crossed product algebra, $\text{K}_j(C_r^*(G, A))$.

For a discrete group Γ define an algebra

$$\text{F}\Gamma = \left\{ \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \lambda_\gamma [\gamma] \mid \text{ord } \gamma < \infty, \lambda_\gamma \in \mathbb{C} \right\}$$

with addition

$$\left(\sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \lambda_\gamma [\gamma] \right) + \left(\sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \mu_\gamma [\gamma] \right) = \left(\sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} (\lambda_\gamma + \mu_\gamma) [\gamma] \right)$$

and multiplication by $g \in \Gamma$

$$g \left(\sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \lambda_\gamma [\gamma] \right) = \left(\sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \lambda_\gamma [g\gamma g^{-1}] \right).$$

The Baum-Connes conjecture with coefficients says that there is an isomorphism

$$\underbrace{\text{K}_j(\underline{E}G, A)}_{\text{colim}_{\substack{\Delta \subseteq \text{EG} \\ G\text{-compact}}} \text{KK}_G^j(C_0(\Delta), A)} \xrightarrow{\simeq} \text{K}_j(C_r^*(G, A))$$

Meyer-Nest conjecture says that a weak equivalence $\varphi \in \text{KK}_G^0(A, B)$ gives an isomorphism

$$\varphi_*: K_j(C_r^*(G, A)) \rightarrow K_j(C_r^*(G, B)), \quad j = 0, 1.$$

For each G - C^* -algebra A there is a weak equivalence $\varphi: P \rightarrow A$ with P projective, for which the Baum-Connes conjecture is true. Hence we have a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} K_j^G(\underline{E}G, P) & \xrightarrow[\simeq]{\varphi_*} & K_j^G(\underline{E}G, A) \\ \downarrow \simeq & & \downarrow \text{BC conjecture} \implies \simeq \\ K_j(C_r^*(G, P)) & \xrightarrow[\text{MN-conjecture} \implies \simeq]{\varphi_*} & K_j(C_r^*(G, A)) \end{array}$$

Denote

$$L^2(G, A) = \{f: G \rightarrow A \mid \int_g g^{-1}(f(g)^* f(g)) dg\}.$$

If we take a discrete group Γ , then there is a following notational convention for $\gamma \in \Gamma$, $a \in A$

$$\begin{aligned} a[\gamma] &= f: \Gamma \rightarrow A, \quad f(\gamma) = a, \quad f(g) = 0 \text{ for } g \neq \gamma, \\ (a[\gamma])^* &= [\gamma^{-1}]a^*, \\ (a_1[\gamma_1])(a_2[\gamma_2]) &= a_1(\gamma_1 a_2)[\gamma_1 \gamma_2]. \end{aligned}$$