

# Graded relations on crossed products

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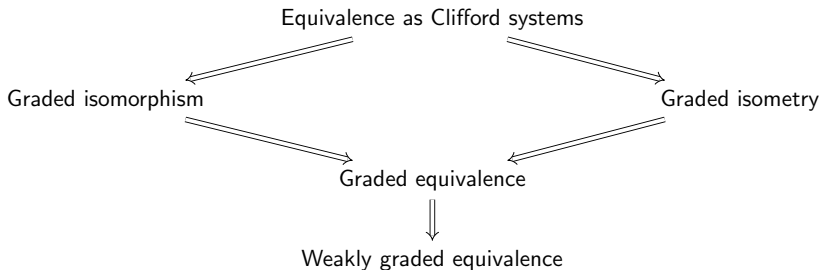
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### Theorem

*For Crossed products the notion of graded equivalence and weakly graded equivalence coincide.*

## Diagram of equivalence relations

We add the following diagram to help understand the order of coarsening between the different equivalence relations on graded algebras.



## Where these equivalences appear?

- Graded isomorphism- The graded Artin-Wedderburn Theorem.
- Graded equivalence- The intrinsic fundamental group  $\pi_1(A)$  of an algebra  $A$ .
- Weak graded equivalence- Graded ideals, graded subspaces, or graded polynomial identities.
- Graded isometry- In coding theory in which crossed products are used as ambient spaces where  $G$  is finite and  $R$  is a finite field.
- Equivalence as Clifford systems- realization-obstruction exact sequences.

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- 1 An outer action  $\eta : G \rightarrow \text{Aut}_F(R)$  by

$$\eta(g)(r) := u_g r u_g^{-1}$$

for  $g \in G$  and  $r \in R$ .

- 2 A map (an  $\eta$ -twisting)  $\alpha : G \times G \rightarrow R^*$  by

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- By choosing  $u_e = 1$ , we may always assume for any  $g \in G$  that  $\alpha(1, g) = 1 = \alpha(g, 1)$ .

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*With the above notation, if additionally  $R$  is commutative then  $\eta$  is an action and  $\alpha \in Z_\eta^2(G, R^*)$  is a 2-cocycle.*

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  - 1 For  $u_g^2 = \alpha(g, g) > 0$  we have  $\mathbb{C}_\eta^\alpha G \cong M_2(\mathbb{R})$
  - 2 For  $u_g^2 = \alpha(g, g) < 0$  we have  $\mathbb{C}_\eta^\alpha G \cong \mathbb{H}$  the real Quaternions algebra.

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For an algebra  $R$  and a group  $G$ , the group  $K$  is acting on  $\Gamma$  such that two crossed products  $R_\eta^\alpha G$  and  $R_{\eta'}^{\alpha'} G$

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Then, we have the following corollary.

Corollary (see also Karrer (1973) and Lavit (2018))

*For a graded  $\mathbb{R}$ -division algebra with a base algebra  $D$  over a finite group  $G$ ,  $D$  is either  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{H}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$  and*

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- For  $L = \mathbb{C} = D$  we have again two automorphisms, the trivial automorphism and the complex conjugation. Denote  $N = \ker(\eta)$ .
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  - 2 For  $N$  the unique subgroup of index 2,  $H_\eta^2(G, \mathbb{C}^*)$  is cyclic of order 2 so here there are two  $\mathbb{R}$ -graded isomorphism classes.

**Thank you.**