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## Theorem (M and Solel, JFA 1998)

*If  $E$  is a  $C^*$ -correspondence and if  $\mathcal{T}_+(E)$  is its tensor algebra, then the  $C^*$ -envelope of  $\mathcal{T}_+(E)$  is the Cuntz-Pimsner algebra of  $E$ ,  $\mathcal{O}(E)$ .*



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- I want to indicate how this function theory transforms under Morita equivalence.



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**Remark (M-Solel on line at IEOT)**

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$M = \mathbb{C}$ ,  $E = \mathbb{C}^d$ , and assume  $\sigma$  represents  $\mathbb{C}$  on  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . Then  $\mathbb{D}(E, \sigma) = \{(Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_d) \in M_n(\mathbb{C})^d \mid \|\sum_{i=1}^d Z_i Z_i^*\| < 1\}$  - the set of all strict row contractions of length  $d$  in  $M_n(\mathbb{C})$ . If  $F \in \mathcal{T}_+(\mathbb{C}^d)$ , then  $F = \sum_{w \in \mathbb{F}_d^+} a_w S_w$ , where  $S_w$  is the word in the creation operators,  $S_i \xi := e_i \otimes \xi$ ,  $\xi \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{C}^d) - \{e_i\}_{i=1}^d$  an o.n. basis for  $\mathbb{C}^d$ . The function  $\widehat{F}_\sigma$  on  $\mathbb{D}(E, \sigma)$  is given by the formula  $\widehat{F}_\sigma(Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_d) = \sum_{w \in \mathbb{F}_d^+} a_w Z_w$ , where the  $Z_w$  are the appropriate words in the  $Z_i$  and the series converges uniformly and absolutely on each ball of radius  $< 1$ ; i.e.,  $\widehat{F}_\sigma$  lies in a certain completion of the algebra of  $d$  generic  $n \times n$  matrices.



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How should we think about them?*



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- $K : \Omega \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(A, B)$  is called *completely positive definite (c.p.d.)* in case for each finite set of points  $\{\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_n\}$  in  $\Omega$ , for each choice of  $n$  elements in  $A$ ,  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ , and for each choice of  $n$  elements in  $B$ ,  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n$ , the inequality

$$\sum_{i,j=1}^n b_i^* K(\omega_i, \omega_j) [a_i^* a_j] b_j \geq 0$$

holds in  $B$ .



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Ball, Biswas, Fang and ter Horst have done work along this line. Our approach is similar in some respects, but adds another perspective.



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Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} K_S(\mathfrak{z}, \mathfrak{w})[a] &= (t - \theta_{\mathfrak{z}, \mathfrak{w}})^{-1}[a] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \theta_{\mathfrak{z}, \mathfrak{w}}^n[a] \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \underbrace{\theta_{\mathfrak{z}, \mathfrak{w}} \circ \theta_{\mathfrak{z}, \mathfrak{w}} \circ \cdots \circ \theta_{\mathfrak{z}, \mathfrak{w}}}_n[a] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \langle \mathfrak{z}^{*(n)}, a \cdot \mathfrak{w}^{*(n)} \rangle = \langle c_{\mathfrak{z}}, a \cdot c_{\mathfrak{w}} \rangle \end{aligned}$$





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$$\begin{aligned}
X \otimes_{h\mathcal{T}_+(E_2)} Y &= (\mathcal{F}(E_1) \otimes_{M_1} \mathcal{X}) \otimes_{h\mathcal{T}_+(E_2)} (\mathcal{F}(E_2) \otimes_{M_2} \mathcal{X}^*) \\
&\xrightarrow{\widetilde{W}} (\mathcal{X} \otimes_{M_2} \mathcal{F}(E_2)) \otimes_{h\mathcal{T}_+(E_2)} (\mathcal{F}(E_2) \otimes_{M_2} \mathcal{X}^*) \\
&\rightarrow \mathcal{X} \otimes_{hM_2} \mathcal{T}_+(E_2) \otimes_{hM_2} \mathcal{X}^* \\
&\rightarrow \mathcal{T}_+(E_1)
\end{aligned}$$



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$$V\left(\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_d \end{bmatrix}\right) := \sum_{i=1}^d S_i a_i.$$



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