

Gelfand spectra in Grothendieck toposes, geometrically

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Goal

Relate algebraic quantum mechanics to topos theory to construct new foundations for quantum logic and quantum spaces.
— A spectral invariant for non-commutative algebras —

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For a phase σ in Σ ,

$$\sigma \models a \in \Delta$$

$$a(\sigma) \in \Delta$$

$$\delta_\sigma(a) \in \Delta \text{ (Dirac measure)}$$

Quantum

How to generalize to the quantum setting?

1. Identifying a quantum **phase space** Σ .
2. Defining subsets of Σ acting as **propositions** of quantum mechanics.
3. Describing **states** in terms of Σ .
4. Associating a **proposition** $a \in \Delta$ ($\subset \Sigma$) to an observable a and an open subset $\Delta \subseteq \mathbb{R}$.
5. Finding a **pairing map** between states and 'subsets' of Σ (and hence between states and propositions of the type $a \in \Delta$).

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Von Neumann later abandoned this.

No implication, no deductive system.

Bohrification

In classical physics we have a **spatial** logic.

Want the same for quantum physics. So we consider two generalizations of topological spaces:

- ▶ C^* -algebras (Connes' non-commutative geometry)
- ▶ toposes and locales (Grothendieck)

We connect the two generalizations by:

1. *Algebraic quantum theory*
2. *Constructive Gelfand duality*
3. *Bohr's doctrine of classical concepts*

[Heunen, Landsman, S]

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Motivation: Butterfield-Doering-Isham use topos theory for quantum theory. (Are D-I considering the **co**-Kripke model?)

Internal C^* -algebra

Internal C^* -algebras in $\mathbf{Set}^{\mathbf{C}}$ are functors of the form $\mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{CStar}$.
'Bundle of C^* -algebras'.

We define the **Bohrification** of A as the internal C^* -algebra

$$\underline{A} : \mathcal{C}(A) \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}, \\ V \mapsto V.$$

in the topos $\mathcal{T}(A) = \mathbf{Set}^{\mathcal{C}(A)}$, where
 $\mathcal{C}(A) := \{V \subseteq A \mid V \text{ commutative } C^*\text{-algebra}\}$.

The internal C^* -algebra \underline{A} is commutative!

This reflects our Bohrian perspective.

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Isham-Döring: a certain *global* section does not exist.

We can still have **neo-realistic** interpretation by considering also non-global sections.

Pointfree Topology

We want to consider the phase space of the Bohrfication.

Use internal **constructive** Gelfand duality.

The classical proof of Gelfand duality uses the axiom of choice (only) to construct the points of the spectrum.

Solution: use topological spaces without points (locales)!

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These formal objects model basic observations:

- ▶ Formal opens are used in computer science (domains) to model observations.
- ▶ Formal continuous functions, self adjoint operators, are observables in quantum theory.

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A representation of a Riesz space is a Riesz homomorphism to \mathbb{R} .

The representations of the Riesz space $C(X)$ are $\hat{x}(f) := f(x)$

Theorem (Classical Stone-Yosida)

Let R be a Riesz space. Let $\text{Max}(R)$ be the space of representations. The space $\text{Max}(R)$ is compact Hausdorff and there is a Riesz embedding $\hat{\cdot} : R \rightarrow C(\text{Max}(R))$. The uniform norm of \hat{a} equals the norm of a .

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Phase object in a topos

Apply constructive Gelfand duality to the Bohrification to obtain the **(internal) spectrum** Σ .

This is our phase object. (motivated by Döring-Isham).

Kochen-Specker = Σ has no (global) section

However, Σ is a well-defined interesting compact regular locale.

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Our definition of the spectrum (as a posite) is **geometric**.

Hence, Σ can be computed fiberwise:

points (I, σ_I) , I ideal in $C(A)$.

Also works if we put a topology on $C(A)$.

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It is constructively locally compact!

- Σ is compact regular in $\text{Sh}(\text{Idl}(\mathcal{C}(A)))$
- $\text{Idl}(\mathcal{C}(A))$ is locally compact
- Locally compact maps compose
- Locally compact locales are classically spatial

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$(C, \sigma), \sigma \in \Sigma(C)$.

Its frame is the frame of Σ .

$Pt(\Sigma)$ also contains $(I, \{\sigma_C \mid \sigma_C \in C, C \in I\})$, where I ideal.

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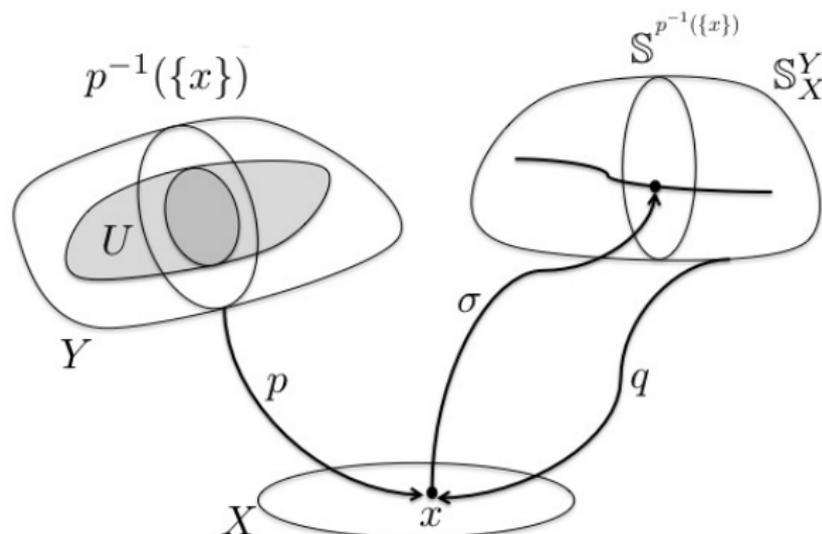
TFAE:

- ▶ Y locally compact
- ▶ The exponential \mathbb{S}^Y exists; \mathbb{S} =Sierpiński locale
- ▶ Y is exponentiable

Theorem: Y_p locally compact in $Sh(X)$, X locally compact. Then Y is locally compact.

Locally compact

Need to construct \mathbb{S}^Y



Locales by geometric theories

Continuous map: constructive transformations of points

Continuous map as a bundle

Locally compact

Y is given by the theory with generalized models

$\{(x, t) \mid x \in X, t \in Y_x\}$

\mathbb{S}_X^Y external description \mathbb{S}_q^Y in $\text{Sh}(X)$

The exponent is geometric: $\mathbb{S}_X^Y = \{(x, w) \mid x \in X, w \in \mathbb{S}^{Y_x}\}$

$$E := \{\sigma : X \rightarrow \mathbb{S}_X^Y \mid q \circ \sigma = id_X\}$$

By local compactness of X , $X \rightarrow \mathbb{S}_X^Y$ is a space

Define $(\sigma, y) \mapsto (\sigma(py), y) : E \times Y \rightarrow \mathbb{S}_X^Y \times_X Y$

Compose with $((x, w), (x, t)) \mapsto \text{ev}(w, t) : \mathbb{S}_X^Y \times_X Y \rightarrow \mathbb{S}$

ev is geometric, so we have an evaluation map from $E \times Y$ to \mathbb{S}

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Alternative proof using \llcorner . Hard to compute due to Power set.

Locally perfect

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Locally perfect maps compose (needs some separation).

Corollary: the external spectrum is locally compact and hence spatial

Towards a similar result for valuations.

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Segal-Kunze developed integration theory using states, with intended interpretation:

an expectation defined on an algebra of observables.

We will present a variation on this.

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Once we have first-order formulation (no DC), we obtain a transparent constructive proof by 'cut-elimination'.

Giry monad in domain theory in logical form
(cf Jung/Moshier)

Vickers: Generalization of Giry monad to Loc!

Valuations

This allows us to move *internally* from integrals to valuations.
Integrals are internal representations of states
Valuations are internal representations of measures on projections
(Both are standard QMs)

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This is an advantage of constructive/geometric reasoning

See also: Nuiten thesis, Halvorson/Wolters

Conclusions

Bohr's doctrine suggests a functor topos making a C^* -algebra commutative

- ▶ Spatial quantum logic via topos logic
- ▶ Phase space via internal Gelfand duality
- ▶ Intuitionistic quantum logic
- ▶ Spectrum for non-commutative algebras.
- ▶ States (non-commutative integrals) become internal integrals.

Reasoning with bundles