

# Classification of irrational $\Theta$ -deformed CAR $C^*$ -algebras

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**Abstract.** Given a skew-symmetric real  $n \times n$  matrix  $\Theta$ , we consider the universal enveloping  $C^*$ -algebra  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  of the  $*$ -algebra generated by  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  subject to the relations

$$\begin{aligned}a_i^* a_i + a_i a_i^* &= 1, \\ a_i^* a_j &= e^{2\pi i \Theta_{i,j}} a_j a_i^*, \\ a_i a_j &= e^{-2\pi i \Theta_{i,j}} a_j a_i.\end{aligned}$$

We prove that  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  has a  $C(K_n)$ -structure, where  $K_n = [0, \frac{1}{2}]^n$  is the hypercube, and describe the fibers. We classify irreducible representations of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  in terms of irreducible representations of a higher-dimensional noncommutative torus. We prove that, for a given irrational skew-symmetric  $\Theta_1$ , there are only finitely many  $\Theta_2$  such that  $\text{CAR}_{\Theta_1} \simeq \text{CAR}_{\Theta_2}$ . Namely,  $\text{CAR}_{\Theta_1} \simeq \text{CAR}_{\Theta_2}$  implies  $(\Theta_1)_{ij} = \pm(\Theta_2)_{\sigma(i,j)} \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}$  for a bijection  $\sigma$  of the set  $\{(i, j) \mid i < j, i, j = 1, \dots, n\}$ . For  $n = 2$ , we give a full classification:  $\text{CAR}_{\theta_1} \simeq \text{CAR}_{\theta_2}$  if and only if  $\theta_1 = \pm\theta_2 \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}$ .

## 1. INTRODUCTION

One of the most well-studied examples of noncommutative manifolds are the noncommutative tori, see [12]. Given a real skew-symmetric  $n \times n$  matrix  $\Theta = (\Theta_{i,j})$ , the noncommutative torus  $C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^n)$  is defined as the universal  $C^*$ -algebra generated by  $n$  unitaries  $u_1, \dots, u_n$  subject to the relations

$$u_i u_j = e^{-2\pi i \Theta_{i,j}} u_j u_i.$$

The problem of classification of  $C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^n)$  up to  $C^*$ -isomorphism has been solved in [8] in the case when  $\Theta$  is *irrational*. In particular, in the case  $n = 2$ , identifying  $\Theta$  with  $\Theta_{1,2} = \theta$ , we have

$$C(\mathbb{T}_{\theta_1}^2) \simeq C(\mathbb{T}_{\theta_2}^2) \quad \text{if and only if} \quad \theta_1 = \pm\theta_2 \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}.$$

For rational  $\Theta$ , the classification is given in [2].

In this paper, we study the universal enveloping  $C^*$ -algebra  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  of the  $*$ -algebra generated by  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  subject to the relations

$$\begin{aligned} a_i^* a_i + a_i a_i^* &= 1, \\ a_i^* a_j &= e^{2\pi i \Theta_{i,j}} a_j a_i^*, \\ a_i a_j &= e^{-2\pi i \Theta_{i,j}} a_j a_i. \end{aligned}$$

The representation theory of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  was studied in [10], and it appeared to be related to representation theory of a noncommutative torus. In this paper, we in particular explain and reprove the result by showing that  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  has a  $C(K_n)$ -structure for  $K_n = [0, \frac{1}{2}]^n$  with fibers being isomorphic to matrix algebras over crossed products of noncommutative tori by finite groups. The description of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  as a “noncommutative fiber bundle” allows us to establish a result about classification  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  up to isomorphism for irrational  $\Theta$  which was the main motivation to pursue our study of the object.

Noncommutative tori have been playing a role of a training ground for testing various ideas in noncommutative geometry and topology. Such questions as classification up to  $C^*$ -isomorphism, classification of projective modules, classification up to Morita equivalence, construction of Dirac operators, study of quantum metric structures, construction of pseudodifferential calculi, study of index theory, generalizations of the notion of curvature and many others have been studied for  $C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^n)$ . Because of the simplicity of the algebraic definition of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  and the existence of a noncommutative fiber bundle structure on  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  with the fibers resembling noncommutative tori, it is natural to ask the same questions about its structure as for  $C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^n)$ . In this paper, we are interested in the noncommutative topology of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$ , in particular, the classification of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$ . We prove that  $\text{CAR}_{\theta_1} \simeq \text{CAR}_{\theta_2}$  for irrational  $\theta_1, \theta_2$  and  $n = 2$  if and only if  $\theta_1 = \pm \theta_2 \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}$ . Moreover, for general  $n$  and irrational  $\Theta_1, \Theta_2$ , we prove that  $\text{CAR}_{\Theta_1} \simeq \text{CAR}_{\Theta_2}$  implies that  $(\Theta_1)_{i,j} = \pm (\Theta_2)_{\sigma(i,j)} \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}$  for a bijection  $\sigma$  of the set  $\{(i, j) \mid i < j, i, j = 1, \dots, n\}$ .

The general idea for our analysis of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  is to express it as Rieffel deformation of  $n$  tensor copies of  $\text{CAR}_1$ —the one-dimensional  $\text{CAR}$ -algebra, the structure of which is well-understood: it is a  $C([0, \frac{1}{2}])$ - $C^*$ -algebra with well-known fibers. Then we use the fact that Rieffel deformation of a  $C_0(X)$ - $C^*$ -algebra also has a  $C_0(X)$ -structure with fibers which are Rieffel deformations of the fibers of the undeformed  $C^*$ -algebra.

The structure of the article is the following. In Sections 2 and 3, we recall some relevant facts from the theory of  $C_0(X)$ - $C^*$ -algebras and Rieffel deformations. In Section 4, we prove isomorphisms between Rieffel deformations of matrix algebras over a  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$  and matrix algebras over Rieffel deformations of  $A$ . Although this result has been known in the literature, here we construct an explicit isomorphism, which will be used in further sections. In Section 5, we show that the  $C^*$ -algebra  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  is isomorphic to Rieffel deformation of  $\text{CAR}_1^{\otimes n}$ . In Section 6, we give an analysis of  $\text{CAR}_1$ —we describe its representation theory, show that it has a  $C([0, \frac{1}{2}])$ -structure and describe

fibers with respect to this structure. In Section 7, we transfer the described structural features of  $\text{CAR}_1$  first to  $\text{CAR}_1^{\otimes n}$  and then to its Rieffel deformation, that allows us to obtain an alternative proof for classification of irreducible representations of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  (Theorem 7.5). In Section 8, we further exploit the noncommutative fiber bundle structure of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  and prove the classification result (Theorem 8.8, Corollary 8.9).

We believe that the  $C^*$ -algebra  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  is a nice rich object to study other questions of noncommutative geometry, and this will be pursued elsewhere.

### 2. $C_0(X)$ -STRUCTURE ON $C^*$ -ALGEBRAS

Let  $X$  be a locally compact Hausdorff space, and let  $C_0(X)$  be the  $C^*$ -algebra of continuous functions on  $X$  that vanish at infinity. For a  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$ , write  $\mathcal{M}(A)$  to denote its multiplier algebra; let  $Z(A)$  be its center. Furthermore,  $C_0(X, A)$  will stand for the algebra of  $A$ -valued continuous functions on  $X$  that vanish at infinity.

**Definition 2.1.** A  $C_0(X)$ -structure on a  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$  is a monomorphism

$$\Phi : C_0(X) \rightarrow Z(\mathcal{M}(A))$$

such that the ideal  $\Phi(C_0(X)) \cdot A$  is dense in  $A$ . In this case, we say that  $A$  is a  $C_0(X)$ - $C^*$ -algebra.

Let  $A$  be a  $C_0(X)$ - $C^*$ -algebra. For  $x \in X$ , consider the closed ideal

$$I_x^\Phi = \overline{\text{span}\{\Phi(f) \cdot a, a \in A, f \in C_0(X) \text{ such that } f(x) = 0\}}.$$

The fiber  $A^\Phi(x)$  of  $A$  over  $x$  is defined as  $A^\Phi(x) = A/I_x^\Phi$ , and the canonical quotient map  $\text{ev}_x^\Phi : A \rightarrow A^\Phi(x)$  will be called the evaluation map at  $x$ . When  $C_0(X)$ -structure  $\Phi$  is evident from the context, we will simply write  $I_x, A(x)$  and  $\text{ev}_x$ ; we shall often write  $a(x)$  instead of  $\text{ev}_x(a)$ ; it is also common to suppress mention of  $\Phi$  and simply write  $f \cdot a$  instead of  $\Phi(f) \cdot a$ .

Let  $G$  be a locally compact group, and let  $\alpha : G \rightarrow \text{Aut}(A)$  be a continuous (with respect to point norm topology) group homomorphism, which we call an action of  $G$  on  $A$ ; thus  $(A, G, \alpha)$  is a  $C^*$ -dynamical system.

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $A$  be a  $C_0(X)$ - $C^*$ -algebra. We say that  $\alpha$  is fiberwise if

$$\alpha_g(f \cdot a) = f \cdot (\alpha_g(a)), \quad g \in G, a \in A, f \in C_0(X).$$

If an action  $\alpha$  is fiberwise, then it induces an action  $\alpha^x$  of  $G$  on  $A(x)$  for every  $x \in X$  by letting  $\alpha_g^x(a(x)) = \alpha_g(a)(x), a \in A, g \in G$ .

### 3. RIEFFEL DEFORMATION

We turn now to Rieffel’s deformation [11], that will be essential for our consideration, and recall main constructions needed for the paper.

Given a  $C^*$ -dynamical system  $(A, \mathbb{R}^n, \alpha)$ , let  $A^\infty$  denote the set of all  $a \in A$  such that  $t \mapsto \alpha_t(a)$  is a  $C^\infty$ -function. It is a dense  $*$ -subalgebra of  $A$ . Let  $\Theta$  be a real skew-symmetric  $n \times n$ -matrix. To define Rieffel deformation, one

keeps the involution unchanged and introduces on  $A^\infty$  the product defined by oscillatory integrals

$$a \cdot_\Theta b := \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \alpha_{\Theta(x)}(a) \alpha_y(b) e^{2\pi i \langle x, y \rangle} dx dy,$$

where  $\langle x, y \rangle$  is the inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . The  $*$ -algebra  $(A^\infty, \cdot_\Theta)$  admits a  $C^*$ -completion  $A^\Theta$  in a  $C^*$ -norm, defined by Hilbert module techniques. The action  $\alpha$  leaves  $A^\infty$  invariant and extends to the action  $\alpha^\Theta$  on the  $C^*$ -algebra  $A^\Theta$ . More generally, any equivariant  $*$ -homomorphism  $f$  between  $C^*$ -algebras  $A$  and  $B$  with actions  $\alpha^A$  and  $\alpha^B$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  respectively (i.e.  $f(\alpha_x^A(a)) = \alpha_x^B(f(a))$ ,  $a \in A$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ) can be lifted to a  $*$ -homomorphism  $f^\Theta : A^\Theta \rightarrow B^\Theta$ , which is also equivariant. We refer the reader to [11] for these and other details concerning the construction. Through this section, we will keep notation  $\alpha$  for the action that defines the Rieffel deformation.

The procedure of Rieffel deformation is invertible; the next statement follows from [7, Lem. 3.5].

**Proposition 3.1.** *The identity mapping extends to a  $*$ -isomorphism*

$$\text{id} : A \rightarrow (A^\Theta)^{-\Theta}.$$

In nice situations, Rieffel deformation of a  $C_0(X)$ -algebra is also a  $C_0(X)$ -algebra.

**Proposition 3.2** ([1, Prop. 4.4]). *Let  $\alpha$  be a fiberwise action of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  on a  $C_0(X)$ - $C^*$ -algebra  $A$ . Then the Rieffel deformation  $A^\Theta$  possesses a  $C_0(X)$ -structure such that  $(A^\Theta)(x) \simeq (A(x))^\Theta$ ,  $x \in X$ .*

We will need to know how crossed product  $C^*$ -algebras are transformed under Rieffel deformation.

Given a  $C^*$ -dynamical system  $(A, G, \sigma)$ , write  $A \rtimes_\sigma G$  for the corresponding full or reduced crossed product  $C^*$ -algebra [14], and denote by  $A^\sigma$  the set of fixed points of  $A$ , i.e.

$$A^\sigma = \{a \in A \mid \sigma_g(a) = a \text{ for every } g \in G\}.$$

If  $\alpha$  is an action of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  on  $A$  such that

$$(1) \quad \sigma_g(\alpha_t(a)) = \alpha_t(\sigma_g(a)) \quad \text{for all } g \in G, t \in \mathbb{R}^n, a \in A,$$

then  $\alpha$  extends to an action on  $A \rtimes_\sigma G$  by letting

$$\alpha_t(f)(g) = \alpha_t(f(g)), \quad f \in C_c(G, A).$$

The next proposition identifies Rieffel deformations of  $A^\sigma$  and  $A \rtimes_\sigma G$ .

**Proposition 3.3.** *Let  $(A, G, \sigma)$  be a  $C^*$ -dynamical system, and let  $\alpha$  be an  $\mathbb{R}^n$ -action on  $A$  which satisfies (1) and hence extends to the  $\mathbb{R}^n$ -action on  $A \rtimes_\sigma G$  as above. Let  $\Theta$  be a real skew-symmetric  $n \times n$  matrix. Then  $(a, g) \in (A^\Theta, G) \mapsto (\sigma_g)^\Theta(a) \in A^\Theta$  defines an action  $\sigma^\Theta$  of  $G$  on  $A^\Theta$  such that*

$$(A^\sigma)^\Theta \simeq (A^\Theta)^{\sigma^\Theta} \quad \text{and} \quad (A \rtimes_\sigma G)^\Theta \simeq (A^\Theta) \rtimes_{\sigma^\Theta} G.$$

*Proof.* The identity maps  $(A^\sigma)^\Theta \rightarrow (A^\Theta)^{\sigma^\Theta}$  and  $(A \rtimes_\sigma G)^\Theta \rightarrow (A^\Theta) \rtimes_{\sigma^\Theta} G$  give the isomorphisms. The only nontrivial thing is to show the homomorphism property in the second case. Let  $f, g \in C_c(G) \odot A^\infty$ , the algebraic tensor product of  $C_c(G)$  and  $A^\infty$ . One has that  $f, g$  are smooth elements of  $A \rtimes_\sigma G$ , and writing the deformed product as convolution  $*_\Theta$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (f *_\Theta g)(s) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_G \alpha_{\Theta(x)}(f)(t) \sigma_t(\alpha_y(g)(t^{-1}s)) e^{2\pi i \langle x, y \rangle} dt dx dy \\ &= \int_G \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \alpha_{\Theta(x)}(f(t)) \alpha_y(\sigma_t(g(t^{-1}s))) e^{2\pi i \langle x, y \rangle} dx dy dt \\ &= \int_G f(t) \cdot_\Theta \sigma_t(g(t^{-1}s)) dt, \end{aligned}$$

where the latter is the convolution determined by  $(A^\Theta, \sigma^\Theta, G)$ . □

In this paper, we will be interested in periodic actions of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , i.e. we assume that  $\alpha$  is an action of  $\mathbb{T}^n$ . Given a character  $\chi \in \widehat{\mathbb{T}^n} \simeq \mathbb{Z}^n$ , consider the associated spectral subspace

$$A_\chi = \{a \in A \mid \alpha_z(a) = \chi(z)a \text{ for every } z \in \mathbb{T}^n\}.$$

Then

$$A = \overline{\text{span} \bigcup_{\chi \in \mathbb{Z}^n} A_\chi}$$

and  $A_{\chi_1} \cdot A_{\chi_2} \subset A_{\chi_1 + \chi_2}$ ,  $A_\chi^* = A_{-\chi}$ ; hence  $A_\chi$ ,  $\chi \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ , can be treated as homogeneous components of the induced  $\mathbb{Z}^n$ -grading on  $A$ .

For  $p = (p_1, \dots, p_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n \simeq \widehat{\mathbb{T}^n}$ , we will write  $\chi_p$  for the character of  $\mathbb{T}^n$  given by  $\chi_p(z) = z_1^{p_1} \dots z_n^{p_n}$ ,  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n)$ , and write  $A_p$  instead of  $A_{\chi_p}$ .

For the action of  $\mathbb{T}^n$ , one has an explicit formula for the deformed product of homogeneous elements.

**Proposition 3.4** ([11, Prop. 2.22]). *Suppose  $A$  is a  $C^*$ -algebra with a  $\mathbb{T}^n$ -action. Assume that  $a \in A_p$ ,  $b \in A_q$  for  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ . Then  $a \cdot_\Theta b = e^{2\pi i \langle \Theta(p), q \rangle} a \cdot b$ .*

Consider a  $C^*$ -dynamical system  $(A, \mathbb{T}^n, \alpha)$  and its covariant representation  $(\pi, U)$  on a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ , i.e.  $\pi(\alpha_z(a)) = U_z \pi(a) U_z^*$ ,  $a \in A$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{T}^n$ . For  $p \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ , consider the spectral space

$$\mathcal{H}_p = \{h \in \mathcal{H} \mid U_z h = \chi_p(z)h \text{ for all } z \in \mathbb{T}^n\}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{H} = \bigoplus_{p \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \mathcal{H}_p$  (see [14]).

The next result describes a procedure how to lift the representation  $\pi$  of  $A$  to a representation of its Rieffel deformation.

**Proposition 3.5** ([3, Thm. 2.8]). *Let  $(\pi, U)$  be a covariant representation of  $(A, \mathbb{T}^n, \alpha)$  on a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ . Then  $\pi^\Theta$ , given by*

$$\pi^\Theta(a)\xi = e^{2\pi i \langle \Theta(p), q \rangle} \pi(a)\xi,$$

*for  $\xi \in \mathcal{H}_q$ ,  $a \in A_p$ ,  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ , extends to a  $*$ -representation of  $A^\Theta$ . Moreover,  $\pi^\Theta$  is faithful if and only if  $\pi$  is faithful.*

**Remark 3.6.** Notice that if the action of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  on  $A \otimes B$  is given by  $\alpha = \text{id} \otimes \alpha_B$ , where  $\alpha_B$  is an  $\mathbb{R}^n$  action on  $B$ , then  $(A \otimes B)^\Theta \simeq A \otimes B^\Theta$ .

We have also the following invariance of  $K$ -groups under Rieffel deformation.

**Proposition 3.7** ([7, Thm. 3.13]). *For a  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$ , one has*

$$K_0(\mathcal{A}^\Theta) = K_0(\mathcal{A}) \quad \text{and} \quad K_1(\mathcal{A}^\Theta) = K_1(\mathcal{A}).$$

4. RIEFFEL DEFORMATION OF  $M_n(A)$

In the sequel, we will need to work with Rieffel deformations of matrix algebras over a  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$ , which we will describe in this section.

Suppose  $\mathbb{T}^k$  acts on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  by unitaries  $U_z$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{T}^k$ , i.e.  $z \mapsto U_z$  is a strongly continuous representation of  $\mathbb{T}^k$  on  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . It induces an action of  $\mathbb{T}^k$  on  $M_n$  given by  $\alpha_z(X)\xi = U_z X U_z^* \xi$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{T}^k$ ,  $X \in M_n$ ,  $\xi \in \mathbb{C}^n$ ; thus  $(M_n, \mathbb{T}^k, \alpha)$  is a  $C^*$ -dynamical system and  $(\text{id}, U)$  is its covariant representation on  $\mathbb{C}^n$ , where  $\text{id}$  is the identity representation of  $M_n$  when the latter is identified with  $B(\mathbb{C}^n)$ . These actions define  $\mathbb{Z}^k$ -gradings on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  and  $M_n$  as in Section 3. The following lemma is a direct consequence of Proposition 3.5.

**Lemma 4.1.** *Let  $\Theta$  be a real skew-symmetric  $k \times k$  matrix, and let  $\Psi : M_n^\Theta \rightarrow M_n$  be given by*

$$\Psi(a)\xi = e^{2\pi i \langle \Theta(p), q \rangle} a\xi,$$

where  $a \in M_n$  is homogeneous of order  $p \in \mathbb{Z}^k$  and  $\xi \in \mathbb{C}^n$  is homogeneous of order  $q \in \mathbb{Z}^k$ . Then  $\Psi$  is an equivariant  $*$ -isomorphism from  $(M_n^\Theta, \mathbb{T}^k, \alpha^\Theta)$  to  $(M_n, \mathbb{T}^k, \alpha)$ .

Let  $(A, \mathbb{T}^m, \alpha^A)$  be a  $C^*$ -dynamical system, and consider the action of  $\mathbb{T}^{k+m}$  on  $M_n \otimes A$  given by  $X \otimes a \mapsto \alpha_{z_1}(X) \otimes \alpha_{z_2}^A(a)$ ,  $(z_1, z_2) \in \mathbb{T}^k \times \mathbb{T}^m$ ,  $X \in M_n$ ,  $a \in A$ .

Let  $\Theta$  be a real skew-symmetric matrix of size  $k + m$ , and consider its block partition

$$\Theta = \begin{pmatrix} \Theta_{1,1} & \Theta_{1,2} \\ \Theta_{2,1} & \Theta_{2,2} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{where } \Theta_{1,1} \in M_k \text{ and } \Theta_{2,2} \in M_m.$$

For  $p \in \mathbb{Z}^m$ , set

$$\omega_l(p) = e^{2\pi i \langle \Theta_{2,1}(\epsilon_l), p \rangle} \in \mathbb{T}, \quad l = 1, \dots, k,$$

$$\omega(p) = (\omega_1(p), \dots, \omega_k(p)) \in \mathbb{T}^k;$$

here  $\{\epsilon_l\}_{l=1}^k$  is the standard orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^k$ . Each  $\omega_l : \mathbb{Z}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$  is clearly a character, and hence  $\omega(p_1 + p_2) = \omega(p_1)\omega(p_2)$ ,  $p_1, p_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^m$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** *Let  $\Theta \in M_{k+m}$  and  $(M_n \otimes A, \mathbb{T}^{k+m}, \alpha \otimes \alpha^A)$  be as above. Then*

$$(M_n \otimes A)^\Theta \simeq M_n \otimes A^{\Theta_{2,2}},$$

with the isomorphism given by

$$\Phi(X \otimes a) = \alpha_{\omega(-q)}(\Psi(X))U_{\omega(-2q)} \otimes a,$$

for  $X \in M_n$ ,  $a \in A$  homogeneous of order  $q \in \mathbb{Z}^m$  and  $\Psi$  as defined in Lemma 4.1

*Proof.* Let  $(\pi, V)$  be a faithful covariant representation of  $(A, \mathbb{T}^m, \alpha^A)$  on  $\mathcal{H}$ . Then  $(\text{id} \otimes \pi, U \otimes V)$  is a faithful covariant representation of

$$(M_n \otimes A, \mathbb{T}^{k+m}, \alpha \otimes \alpha^A)$$

on  $\mathbb{C}^n \otimes \mathcal{H}$ . Let  $(\text{id} \otimes \pi)^\Theta : (M_n \otimes A)^\Theta \rightarrow B(\mathbb{C}^n \otimes \mathcal{H})$  and  $\pi^{\Theta_{2,2}} : A^{\Theta_{2,2}} \rightarrow B(\mathcal{H})$  be the  $*$ -representations defined as in Proposition 3.5.

As  $(\text{id} \otimes \pi)^\Theta$  and  $\text{id} \otimes \pi^{\Theta_{2,2}}$  are faithful representations of  $(M_n \otimes A)^\Theta$  and  $M_n \otimes A^{\Theta_{2,2}}$  respectively, to prove the theorem, it is enough to show that there exists a unitary operator  $W \in B(\mathbb{C}^n \otimes \mathcal{H})$  such that

$$(2) \quad W^*(\text{id} \otimes \pi)^\Theta(X \otimes a)W = \text{id} \otimes \pi^{\Theta_{2,2}}(\Phi(X \otimes a))$$

for all  $X \in M_n$ ,  $a \in A_p$  and  $p \in \mathbb{Z}^m$ ; here  $A_p$  is the homogeneous component of order  $p$  with respect to  $(A, \mathbb{T}^m, \alpha^A)$ .

Recall the gradings on  $M_n$  and  $A$  which are determined by  $(M_n, \mathbb{T}^k, \alpha)$  and  $(A, \mathbb{T}^m, \alpha^A)$  respectively and the gradings on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  and  $\mathcal{H}$  determined by the representations  $(U_z)$  and  $(V_z)$  of  $\mathbb{T}^k$  and  $\mathbb{T}^m$  respectively. Let  $X \in M_n$  and  $a \in A$  be homogeneous of order  $p \in \mathbb{Z}^k$  and  $q \in \mathbb{Z}^m$  respectively, and let  $\xi_1 \in \mathbb{C}^n$  and  $\xi_2 \in \mathcal{H}$  be homogeneous of order  $p_1 \in \mathbb{Z}^k$  and  $q_1 \in \mathbb{Z}^m$ . Then  $X \otimes a$  is homogeneous of order  $(p, q) \in \mathbb{Z}^k \times \mathbb{Z}^m$  with respect to  $(M_n \otimes A, \mathbb{T}^{k+m}, \alpha \otimes \alpha^A)$ , and  $\xi_1 \otimes \xi_2$  is homogeneous of order  $(r, s) \in \mathbb{Z}^k \times \mathbb{Z}^m$  with respect to  $(U_z \otimes V_z)$ . Furthermore,  $\alpha_z(X) = \chi_p(z)X$  and  $U_z \xi_1 = \chi_{p_1}(z)\xi_1$ . Set  $b = \binom{p}{q}$  and  $c = \binom{r}{s}$ . Then, by Proposition 3.5, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (\text{id} \otimes \pi)^\Theta(X \otimes a)(\xi_1 \otimes \xi_2) \\ &= e^{2\pi i \langle \Theta(b), c \rangle} X \xi_1 \otimes \pi(a) \xi_2 \\ &= e^{2\pi i \langle \Theta_{1,1} p, r \rangle} e^{2\pi i \langle \Theta_{2,2} q, s \rangle} e^{2\pi i \langle \Theta_{2,1} p, s \rangle} e^{2\pi i \langle \Theta_{1,2} q, r \rangle} X \xi_1 \otimes \pi(a) \xi_2 \\ &= e^{2\pi i \langle \Theta_{2,1} p, s \rangle} e^{-2\pi i \langle \Theta_{2,1} r, q \rangle} \Psi(X) \xi_1 \otimes \pi^{\Theta_{2,2}}(a) \xi_2 \\ &= \chi_p(\omega(s)) \chi_r(\omega(-q)) \Psi(X) \xi_1 \otimes \pi^{\Theta_{2,2}}(a) \xi_2 \\ &= \alpha_{\omega(s)}(\Psi(X)) U_{\omega(-q)} \xi_1 \otimes \pi^{\Theta_{2,2}}(a) \xi_2. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $W$  be a linear map defined on  $\text{span}\{\xi \otimes \eta \mid \xi \in \mathbb{C}^n, \eta \in \mathcal{H}_s, s \in \mathbb{Z}^m\} \subset \mathbb{C}^n \otimes \mathcal{H}$  by letting

$$W(\xi \otimes \eta) = U_{\omega(q)} \xi \otimes \eta, \quad \xi \in \mathbb{C}^n, \eta \in \mathcal{H}_q.$$

Any vector  $\zeta$  in the span can be written as  $\sum_{i=1}^l \xi_i \otimes \eta_i$ , where  $\xi_i \in \mathbb{C}^n$  and  $\{\eta_i\}_{i=1}^l$  is an orthonormal set in  $\mathcal{H}$  such that  $\eta_i \in \mathcal{H}_{q_i}$ ,  $q_i \in \mathbb{Z}^m$  ( $q_i$  can be equal for different  $i$ ). We have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle W\zeta, W\zeta \rangle &= \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^l U_{\omega(q_i)} \xi_i \otimes \eta_i, \sum_{i=1}^l U_{\omega(q_i)} \xi_i \otimes \eta_i \right\rangle \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^l \langle U_{\omega(q_i)} \xi_i, U_{\omega(q_i)} \xi_i \rangle \langle \eta_i, \eta_i \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^l \langle \xi_i, \xi_i \rangle \langle \eta_i, \eta_i \rangle = \langle \zeta, \zeta \rangle; \end{aligned}$$

hence  $W$  can be extended to an isometry on  $\mathbb{C}^n \otimes \mathcal{H}$ ; as the range of  $W$  is dense in  $\mathbb{C}^n \otimes \mathcal{H}$ , it is a unitary operator.

It is left to see that  $W$  satisfies (2). For  $X, a, \xi_1, \xi_2$  as above, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &W^*(\text{id} \otimes \pi)^\Theta(X \otimes a)W(\xi_1 \otimes \xi_2) \\ &= W^*(\text{id} \otimes \pi)^\Theta(X \otimes a)(U_{\omega(s)}\xi_1 \otimes \xi_2) \\ &= W^*(\alpha_{\omega(s)}(\Psi(X))U_{\omega(-q)}U_{\omega(s)}\xi_1 \otimes \pi^{\Theta_{2,2}}(a)\xi_2) \\ &= U_{\omega(s+q)}^*\alpha_{\omega(s)}(\Psi(X))U_{\omega(-q)}U_{\omega(s)}\xi_1 \otimes \pi^{\Theta_{2,2}}(a)\xi_2 \\ &= U_{\omega(-q)}\Psi(X)U_{\omega(-q)}\xi_1 \otimes \pi^{\Theta_{2,2}}(a)\xi_2 \\ &= \alpha_{\omega(-q)}(\Psi(X))U_{\omega(-2q)}\xi_1 \otimes \pi^{\Theta_{2,2}}(a)\xi_2 \\ &= \text{id} \otimes \pi^{\Theta_{2,2}}(\Phi(X \otimes a))(\xi_1 \otimes \xi_2). \end{aligned}$$

The result now follows by density arguments. □

We remark that the statements holds true if  $M_n$  is replaced by a subalgebra  $C$  of  $M_n$  such that  $\alpha_z(C) = C$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{T}^k$ .

### 5. $\text{CAR}_\Theta$ AS RIEFFEL DEFORMATION

In this section, we will show that our main object  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  can be seen as Rieffel deformation of a higher-dimensional CAR algebra. Recall that the one-dimensional algebra of canonical anti-commutation relations (CAR) is the  $*$ -algebra  $\mathbb{C}\langle a, a^* \mid a^*a + aa^* = 1 \rangle$ . We will denote its universal enveloping  $C^*$ -algebra by  $\text{CAR}_1$ ; the latter algebra exists and is isomorphic to a  $C^*$ -subalgebra of the  $C^*$ -algebra of all continuous functions on the unit disk  $\{z \mid |z| \leq 1\}$  with values in  $M_2$ , see e.g. [9, Thm. 2.2]. Its other realization, which will be convenient for our purpose, will be described in the next section. The higher-dimensional CAR  $C^*$ -algebra is given by the tensor product  $\text{CAR}_1^{\otimes n}$ . Note that  $\text{CAR}_1$  is nuclear, and hence we do not need to specify the  $C^*$ -tensor product of its copies.

The  $C^*$ -algebra  $\text{CAR}_1$  has a natural action of  $\mathbb{T}$  given by

$$(3) \quad \alpha_w(a) = wa, \quad w \in \mathbb{T},$$

where  $a$  is the generator of  $\text{CAR}_1$ . This  $\mathbb{T}$ -action will be always assumed on  $\text{CAR}_1$  without mentioning it. It induces the action  $\alpha^{\otimes n}$  of  $\mathbb{T}^n$  on the tensor product  $\text{CAR}_1^{\otimes n}$  which we also fix through the paper. For this action, each generator  $\tilde{a}_i := 1^{\otimes(i-1)} \otimes a \otimes 1^{\otimes(n-i)}$  is homogeneous of order  $\delta_i \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ , where  $(\delta_i)_k = \delta_{i,k}$  is the Kronecker delta.

Fix now a real skew-symmetric matrix  $\Theta = (\Theta_{i,j})_{i,j=1}^n$ , and recall that  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  is the universal  $C^*$ -algebra generated by  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  subject to the relations

$$\begin{aligned} a_i^*a_i + a_i a_i^* &= 1, \\ a_i^*a_j &= e^{2\pi i\Theta_{i,j}}a_j a_i^*, \\ a_i a_j &= e^{-2\pi i\Theta_{i,j}}a_j a_i. \end{aligned}$$

We have the following isomorphism between  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  and a Rieffel deformation of  $\text{CAR}_1^{\otimes n}$ .

**Theorem 5.1.** *Let  $\Theta$  be a real skew-symmetric  $n \times n$  matrix. Then*

$$\text{CAR}_\Theta \simeq (\text{CAR}_1^{\otimes n})^{\frac{\Theta}{2}}.$$

*Proof.* Consider

$$\varphi : \text{CAR}_\Theta \rightarrow (\text{CAR}_1^{\otimes n})^{\frac{\Theta}{2}}, \quad \varphi(a_i) = 1^{\otimes(i-1)} \otimes a \otimes 1^{\otimes(n-i)} := \tilde{a}_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n.$$

We shall see first that  $\varphi$  extends to a well-defined  $*$ -homomorphism. As  $\tilde{a}_k$  and  $\tilde{a}_k^*$  are homogeneous of order  $\delta_k$  and  $-\delta_k \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  respectively, by Proposition 3.4,

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(a_k) \cdot_{\frac{\Theta}{2}} \varphi(a_k)^* &= e^{-\pi i \langle \Theta(\epsilon_k), \epsilon_k \rangle} \tilde{a}_k \tilde{a}_k^* \\ &= 1^{\otimes(k-1)} \otimes a a^* \otimes 1^{\otimes(n-k)} = \varphi(a_k a_k^*). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,  $\varphi(a_k)^* \cdot_{\frac{\Theta}{2}} \varphi(a_k) = \varphi(a_k^* a_k)$ , and hence  $\varphi(a_k)^* \cdot_{\frac{\Theta}{2}} \varphi(a_k) + \varphi(a_k) \cdot_{\frac{\Theta}{2}} \varphi(a_k)^* = 1$ .

If  $k < m$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(a_k) \cdot_{\frac{\Theta}{2}} \varphi(a_m) &= e^{\pi i \langle \Theta(\epsilon_k), \epsilon_m \rangle} \tilde{a}_k \tilde{a}_m \\ &= e^{-\pi i \Theta_{k,m}} 1^{\otimes(k-1)} \otimes a \otimes 1^{\otimes(m-k-1)} \otimes a \otimes 1^{\otimes(n-m)}, \\ \varphi(a_m) \cdot_{\frac{\Theta}{2}} \varphi(a_k) &= e^{\pi i \langle \Theta(\epsilon_m), \epsilon_k \rangle} \tilde{a}_m \tilde{a}_k \\ &= e^{\pi i \Theta_{k,m}} 1^{\otimes(k-1)} \otimes a \otimes 1^{\otimes m-k-1} \otimes a \otimes 1^{\otimes(n-m)}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\varphi(a_k) \cdot_{\frac{\Theta}{2}} \varphi(a_m) = e^{-2\pi i \Theta_{k,m}} \varphi(a_m) \cdot_{\frac{\Theta}{2}} \varphi(a_k).$$

Similar calculations give

$$\varphi(a_k)^* \cdot_{\frac{\Theta}{2}} \varphi(a_m) = e^{2\pi i \Theta_{k,m}} \varphi(a_m) \cdot_{\frac{\Theta}{2}} \varphi(a_k)^*,$$

so  $\varphi$  extends to a  $*$ -homomorphism, and  $\varphi$  is surjective as the  $*$ -algebra generated by  $\tilde{a}_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , is dense in  $(\text{CAR}_1^{\otimes n})^{\frac{\Theta}{2}}$ .

Also,  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  has a natural  $\mathbb{T}^n$ -action determined by

$$\alpha_w(a_i) = w_i a_i, \quad w = (w_1, \dots, w_n) \in \mathbb{T}^n,$$

and hence we can talk about its Rieffel deformation  $(\text{CAR}_\Theta)^{-\frac{\Theta}{2}}$ . As above, for  $\tilde{a}_k \in \text{CAR}_1^{\otimes n}$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, n$ , consider the map

$$\Psi : \text{CAR}_1^{\otimes n} \rightarrow (\text{CAR}_\Theta)^{-\frac{\Theta}{2}}, \quad \Psi(\tilde{a}_k) = a_k, \quad k = 1, \dots, n.$$

As  $a_k$  and  $a_k^* \in \text{CAR}_\Theta$  are homogeneous of order  $\delta_k$  and  $-\delta_k \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  respectively, as above, we obtain that

$$\Psi(\tilde{a}_k) \cdot_{\frac{\Theta}{2}} \Psi(\tilde{a}_m) = e^{\pi i \Theta_{k,m}} a_k a_m = e^{-\pi i \Theta_{k,m}} a_m a_k = \Psi(\tilde{a}_m) \cdot_{\frac{\Theta}{2}} \Psi(\tilde{a}_k).$$

In a similar way, we get  $\Psi(\tilde{a}_k)^* \cdot_{\frac{\Theta}{2}} \Psi(\tilde{a}_m) = \Psi(\tilde{a}_m) \cdot_{\frac{\Theta}{2}} \Psi(\tilde{a}_k)^*$ ,  $m \neq k$ , and  $\Psi(\tilde{a}_k)^* \cdot_{\frac{\Theta}{2}} \Psi(\tilde{a}_k) + \Psi(\tilde{a}_k) \cdot_{\frac{\Theta}{2}} \Psi(\tilde{a}_k)^* = 1$ . Thus  $\Psi$  extends to a  $*$ -homomorphism. It is clearly surjective. Moreover, one has the following commutative

diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (\text{CAR}_\Theta)^{-\frac{\Theta}{2}} & \xrightarrow{\varphi^{-\frac{\Theta}{2}}} & ((\text{CAR}_1^{\otimes n})^{\frac{\Theta}{2}})^{-\frac{\Theta}{2}} \\
 \Psi \uparrow & \nearrow \text{id} & \\
 \text{CAR}_1^{\otimes n} & & 
 \end{array}$$

Since  $\Psi$  is surjective,  $\varphi^{-\frac{\Theta}{2}}$  is injective. Therefore, by Proposition 3.5,  $\varphi$  is injective too.  $\square$

### 6. THE $C^*$ -ALGEBRA $\text{CAR}_1$

In this section, we recall the representation theory of the one-dimensional  $\text{CAR}$   $*$ -algebra and describe its universal enveloping  $C^*$ -algebra as a subalgebra of  $C([0, \frac{1}{2}], M_2(C(\mathbb{T})))$ , showing that it has a  $C([0, \frac{1}{2}])$ -structure and that the action  $\alpha$  of  $\mathbb{T}$  on  $\text{CAR}_1$  defined by (3) is fiberwise.

**6.1. Representation theory of  $\text{CAR}_1$ .** We will use the following classification of irreducible representations of  $\text{CAR}$  up to unitary equivalence:

- 2-dimensional:

$$\pi_{x,\varphi}(a) = e^{i\varphi} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{x} \\ \sqrt{1-x} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}), \varphi \in [0, \pi),$$

- 1-dimensional:

$$\rho_\varphi(a) = \frac{e^{i\varphi}}{\sqrt{2}}, \varphi \in [0, 2\pi).$$

**Remark 6.2.** These representations are unitary equivalent to the representations given in [9]. We note also that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi_{x,\varphi}(a) &= W^* \pi_{x,\varphi-\pi}(a) W, \\
 x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}), \varphi \in [\pi, 2\pi), & \quad \text{where } W = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \\
 \pi_{0,1}(a) &= W(\varphi)^* \pi_{0,\varphi}(a) W(\varphi), \quad \varphi \in [\pi, 2\pi), \quad \text{where } W(\varphi) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\varphi} \end{pmatrix}, \\
 \pi_{\frac{1}{2},\varphi}(a) &= \frac{e^{i\varphi}}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = V \frac{e^{i\varphi}}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} V^*, \quad \text{where } V = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence any one-dimensional irreducible representation can be obtained by decomposing  $\pi_{\frac{1}{2},\varphi}$ ,  $\varphi \in [0, \pi)$ , into irreducible ones. Also one has

$$\pi_{\frac{1}{2},\varphi} = W \pi_{\frac{1}{2},\varphi+\pi} W^*, \quad \varphi \in [0, \pi).$$

**6.3. Spatial picture of  $\text{CAR}_1$ .** In order to describe the universal enveloping  $C^*$ -algebra  $\text{CAR}_1$ , we recall the following version of the Stone–Weierstrass–Glimm theorem, see e.g. [6, Thm. 1.4], [13, Sec. 3].

**Theorem 6.4.** *Let  $Y$  be a compact Hausdorff space, and let  $A \subseteq B$  be subalgebras of  $C(Y, M_n)$ . For every pair  $(y_1, y_2)$  of points in  $Y$ , define  $A(y_1, y_2)$  as*

$$A(y_1, y_2) := \{(f(y_1), f(y_2)) \in M_n \times M_n \mid f \in A\},$$

and similarly  $B(y_1, y_2)$ . Then

$$A = B \iff A(y_1, y_2) = B(y_1, y_2) \text{ for all } y_1, y_2 \in Y.$$

For representations  $\pi_1, \pi_2$  of a  $*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  on Hilbert spaces  $\mathcal{H}(\pi_1)$  and  $\mathcal{H}(\pi_2)$  respectively, we write  $\text{Hom}(\pi_1, \pi_2)$  for the space of intertwining operators

$$\text{Hom}(\pi_1, \pi_2) = \{c \in B(\mathcal{H}(\pi_2), \mathcal{H}(\pi_1)) \mid \pi_1(a)c = c\pi_2(a), a \in \mathcal{A}\}.$$

We remark that  $\text{Hom}(\pi_1, \pi_2) = \{0\}$  if and only if  $\pi_1, \pi_2$  are disjoint, i.e.  $\pi_1, \pi_2$  do not have unitary equivalent sub-representations.

For a  $*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A} \subset B(\mathcal{H})$ , we denote by  $\mathcal{A}'$  its commutant, i.e.

$$\mathcal{A}' = \{c \in B(\mathcal{H}) \mid ca = ac, a \in \mathcal{A}\}.$$

Let also  $W(z) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & z \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{T}$ , and retain the unitaries  $W$  and  $V$  from the previous subsection; in particular,  $W = W(-1)$ . Write  $D_2 \subset M_2$  for the subalgebra of diagonal matrices.

Let  $h : \text{CAR}_1 \rightarrow C([0, \frac{1}{2}], M_2(C(\mathbb{T})))$  be a  $*$ -homomorphism given on the generator  $a \in \text{CAR}_1$  by

$$(4) \quad h(a)(x)(z) = z \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{x} \\ \sqrt{1-x} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}], z \in \mathbb{T}.$$

The next proposition gives a desired realization of  $\text{CAR}_1$ .

**Proposition 6.5.**  *$\text{CAR}_1$  is isomorphic to the  $C^*$ -algebra*

$$(5) \quad \mathcal{B} = \left\{ f \in C\left([0, \frac{1}{2}], M_2(C(\mathbb{T}))\right) \mid \begin{aligned} f(x)(z) &= Wf(x)(-z)W^* \text{ for all } x \in \left(0, \frac{1}{2}\right), \\ f(0)(z) &= W(z)f(0)(1)W^*(z), f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \in V(D_2 \otimes C(\mathbb{T}))V^*, \\ f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(z) &= Wf\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(-z)W^* \text{ for all } z \in \mathbb{T} \end{aligned} \right\},$$

with the map  $h$  which implements the  $*$ -isomorphism.

*Proof.* Set  $\mathcal{A} = \text{CAR}_1$ . Observe first that  $h(a)(x)(z) = \pi_{x,\varphi}(a)$  for  $z = e^{i\varphi}$ ; hence  $h$  extends to a  $*$ -homomorphism of  $\text{CAR}_1$ . Moreover, it is easy to see that the image  $h(\mathcal{A})$  is in  $\mathcal{B}$ . It follows from the classification of irreducible representations of  $\mathcal{A}$  that  $h : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  given by (4) is an isometry. Hence it is sufficient to see that  $h$  is surjective. Considering  $\mathcal{B}$  as a  $C^*$ -subalgebra of  $C([0, \frac{1}{2}] \times \mathbb{T}, M_2)$ , by Theorem 6.4, it is enough to show that, for pairs  $(x_1, x_2) \in [0, \frac{1}{2}]^2$  and  $(z_1, z_2) \in \mathbb{T}^2$ ,  $h(\mathcal{A})((x_1, z_1), (x_2, z_2)) = \mathcal{B}((x_1, z_1), (x_2, z_2))$ .

We will follow the same scheme as in [9, Thm. 2.2] and prove the equality of the commutants

$$h(\mathcal{A})((x_1, z_1), (x_2, z_2))' = \mathcal{B}((x_1, z_1), (x_2, z_2))'$$

For the notation simplicity, we will write  $\pi_{x,z}$  instead of  $\pi_{x,\varphi}$  if  $z = e^{i\varphi}$ .

Consider the equivalence relation on  $[0, \frac{1}{2}] \times \mathbb{T}$  defined as follows:

$$(x_1, z_1) \sim (x_2, z_2) \text{ if either } x_1 = x_2 \text{ and } z_1 = \pm z_2 \text{ or } x_1 = x_2 = 0,$$

and note that  $\pi_{x_1, z_1}$  and  $\pi_{x_2, z_2}$  are disjoint, and hence  $\text{Hom}(\pi_{x_1, z_1}, \pi_{x_2, z_2}) = \{0\}$  when  $(x_1, z_1) \not\sim (x_2, z_2)$ . Therefore, assuming  $(x_1, z_1) \not\sim (x_2, z_2)$ , we obtain that

$$h(\mathcal{A})((x_1, z_1), (x_2, z_2))' = h(\mathcal{A})((x_1, z_1))' \oplus h(\mathcal{A})((x_2, z_2))'$$

As  $h(\mathcal{A}) \subset \mathcal{B}$ , we have  $\mathcal{B}((x_1, z_1), (x_2, z_2))' = \mathcal{B}((x_1, z_1))' \oplus \mathcal{B}((x_2, z_2))'$ .

If  $x_1 = x_2 = 0$ , then  $\pi_{x_i, z_i}(b) = W(z_i)\pi_{0,1}(b)W(z_i)^*$ ,  $b \in \mathcal{A}$ , and one easily gets that

$$\begin{aligned} h(\mathcal{A})((x_1, z_1), (x_2, z_2))' &= \{(\Lambda_{ij}) \mid W(z_i)\Lambda_{ij}W(z_j)^* \in \pi_{0,1}(\mathcal{A})', i, j = 1, 2\}, \\ \mathcal{B}((x_1, z_1), (x_2, z_2))' &= \{(\Lambda_{ij}) \mid W(z_i)\Lambda_{ij}W(z_j)^* \in \mathcal{B}((0, 1))', i, j = 1, 2\}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $x_1 = x_2$  and  $z_1 = -z_2$ , similarly, we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} h(\mathcal{A})((x_1, z_1), (x_2, z_2))' &= \{(\Lambda_{ij}) \mid \Lambda_{i1}, W^*\Lambda_{1j}W \in \pi_{x_1, z_1}(\mathcal{A})', i, j = 1, 2\}, \\ \mathcal{B}((x_1, z_1), (x_2, z_2))' &= \{(\Lambda_{ij}) \mid \Lambda_{i1}, W^*\Lambda_{1j}W \in \mathcal{B}((x_1, z_1))', i, j = 1, 2\}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $x_1 = x_2$  and  $z_1 = z_2$ , then

$$h(\mathcal{A})((x_1, z_1), (x_2, z_2))' = (I \otimes h(\mathcal{A})((x_1, z_1)))' = M_2 \otimes (h(\mathcal{A})((x_1, z_1)))'$$

and similarly  $\mathcal{B}((x_1, z_1), (x_2, z_2))' = M_2 \otimes (\mathcal{B}((x_1, z_1)))'$ . Therefore, to prove the statement, it is enough to see that

$$(6) \quad \pi_{x,z}(\mathcal{A})' \subset \mathcal{B}((x, z))'$$

for any  $(x, z) \in [0, \frac{1}{2}] \times \mathbb{T}$ .

We consider two cases:  $x \neq \frac{1}{2}$  and  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ .

*Case 1:*  $x \neq \frac{1}{2}$ . In this case,  $\pi_{x,z}$  is irreducible, and hence  $\pi_{x,z}(\mathcal{A})' = \mathbb{C}I_2$ ; the inclusion (6) holds trivially.

*Case 2:*  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ . In this case, we have  $C \in \pi_{x,z}(\mathcal{A})'$  if and only if  $V^*CV \in D$ , where  $D$  is the subalgebra of the diagonal matrices. It follows from the definition of  $\mathcal{B}$  that any such  $C$  is in  $\mathcal{B}(\frac{1}{2}, z)$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**6.6. CAR<sub>1</sub> as a fixed point subalgebra.** It will be useful to see CAR<sub>1</sub> as a fixed point subalgebra of a larger  $C^*$ -subalgebra of  $C([0, \frac{1}{2}], M_2(C(\mathbb{T})))$  with a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -action defined on it.

Given a  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$ , the  $C^*$ -algebra  $C(\mathbb{T}, \mathcal{A})$  has a natural  $\mathbb{T}$ -action which will be always denoted by  $\beta$ :

$$\beta_w(f)(z) = f(wz), \quad f \in C(\mathbb{T}, \mathcal{A}), \quad z \in \mathbb{T}, \quad w \in \mathbb{T}.$$

Considering  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  as the subgroup  $\{1, -1\}$  of  $\mathbb{T}$ , we shall denote by  $\beta$  also the restriction of it to  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ .

We keep the notation of Subsection 6.3 and consider the  $C^*$ -algebra

$$\mathcal{C} = \left\{ f \in C\left(\left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right], M_2(C(\mathbb{T}))\right) \mid \begin{aligned} f(0)(z) &= W(z)f(0)(1)W^*(z), \\ f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) &\in V(D_2 \otimes C(\mathbb{T}))V^* \text{ for all } z \in \mathbb{T} \end{aligned} \right\}.$$

Let  $\sigma$  be the action of  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  on  $M_2(C(\mathbb{T})) \simeq M_2 \otimes C(\mathbb{T})$  given by

$$\sigma_w = \text{Ad}(W(w)) \otimes \beta_w, \quad w \in \mathbb{Z}_2,$$

where we write  $\text{Ad}(v)$  for the inner automorphism  $T \mapsto vTv^*$  of  $M_2$ . Let  $\Sigma$  be the action of  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  on  $\mathcal{C}$  given by

$$\Sigma_w(f)(x) = \sigma_w(f(x)), \quad f \in \mathcal{C}, w \in \mathbb{Z}_2.$$

**Theorem 6.7.** *Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be the  $C^*$ -algebra given by (5). Then  $\mathcal{B} \simeq \mathcal{C}^\Sigma$ .*

*Proof.* The only condition to be checked is that the 0-fiber is stable under  $\Sigma$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_{-1}(f)(0)(z) &= W(-1)f(0)(-z)W(-1)^* \\ &= W(-1)W(-z)f(0)(1)W(-z)^*W(-1)^* \\ &= W(z)f(0)(1)W(z)^* = f(0)(z). \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

**6.8.  $C([0, \frac{1}{2}])$ -structure on  $\text{CAR}_1$ .** Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be as in Proposition 6.5. Since  $\text{CAR}_1 \simeq \mathcal{B}$ , it has a  $C([0, \frac{1}{2}])$ -structure induced by the natural  $C([0, \frac{1}{2}])$ -structure on  $\mathcal{B}$  given by

$$(7) \quad \Phi(g)(f)(x) = g(x)f(x), \quad g \in C\left(\left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right]\right), f \in \mathcal{B},$$

so that  $\text{CAR}_1(x) \simeq \mathcal{B}(x)$  with the isomorphism defined by  $b(x) \mapsto h(b)(x)$ ,  $b \in \text{CAR}_1$ ,  $x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}]$ .

We next identify the fibers  $\text{CAR}_1(x)$ ,  $x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}]$ . We note first that, with  $\beta$  as in the previous subsection, we have that  $w \mapsto \beta(w)(f)(x) := (\beta_w(f(x)))$ ,  $f \in C([0, \frac{1}{2}], M_2(C(\mathbb{T})))$ ,  $w \in \mathbb{T}$ , is a fiberwise action of  $\mathbb{T}$ . Moreover, the isomorphism  $h$  of Proposition 6.5 is equivariant in the sense that

$$h(\alpha_w(b))(x) = \beta_w(h(b)(x)), \quad b \in \text{CAR}_1, w \in \mathbb{T}, x \in \left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right].$$

In particular, it implies that  $\alpha$  is fiberwise with the induced action  $\alpha^x$  on  $\text{CAR}_1(x)$  given by  $\alpha_w^x(a(x)) = wa(x)$ , where  $a$  is the generator of  $\text{CAR}_1$ .

Let  $C(\mathbb{T}) \rtimes_\beta \mathbb{Z}_2$  be the crossed product  $C^*$ -algebra corresponding to the dynamical system  $(C(\mathbb{T}), \beta, \mathbb{Z}_2)$ . It is the universal  $C^*$ -algebra generated by unitaries  $u$  and  $v$  satisfying the relations  $uv = -vu$ ,  $v^2 = 1$ ; the action  $\beta$  of  $\mathbb{T}$  on  $C(\mathbb{T})$ ,  $\beta_w(f)(z) = f(wz)$ ,  $w, z \in \mathbb{T}$ , induces a  $\mathbb{T}$ -action  $\tau$  on  $C(\mathbb{T}) \rtimes_\beta \mathbb{Z}_2$ , given by  $\tau_w(u) = wu$  and  $\tau_w(v) = v$ ,  $w \in \mathbb{T}$ .

In what follows, it will be convenient to use the generators of Clifford algebra. We recall that the Clifford  $C^*$ -algebra  $\text{Cl}_2$  is

$$\text{Cl}_2 = C^*(e \mid e^2 = 0, ee^* + e^*e = 1).$$

Clearly,  $M_2 \simeq \text{Cl}_2$ , where the isomorphism is given by  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto e$ .

**Theorem 6.9.** *One has the following isomorphisms of fibers of CAR<sub>1</sub>:*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CAR}_1(0) &\simeq M_2 \simeq \text{Cl}_2, & \psi_0 : h(a)(0) &\mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto e, \\ \text{CAR}_1(x) &\simeq C(\mathbb{T}) \rtimes_{\beta} \mathbb{Z}_2, \\ \psi_x : h(a)(x) &\mapsto \frac{u}{2}((\sqrt{1-x} + \sqrt{x})1 + (\sqrt{1-x} - \sqrt{x})v), & 0 < x < \frac{1}{2}, \\ \text{CAR}_1\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) &\simeq C(\mathbb{T}), & \psi_{\frac{1}{2}} : h(a)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(z) &\mapsto \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}z. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, the isomorphisms are  $\mathbb{T}$ -equivariant when  $M_2, C(\mathbb{T}) \rtimes_{\beta} \mathbb{Z}_2, C(\mathbb{T})$  are equipped with the  $\mathbb{T}$ -action given by

$$\begin{aligned} w \curvearrowright T &= W(w)TW(w)^*, & T &\in M_2, \\ w \curvearrowright T &= \tau_w(T), & T &\in C(\mathbb{T}) \rtimes_{\beta} \mathbb{Z}_2, \\ w \curvearrowright f &= \beta_w(f), & f &\in C(\mathbb{T}). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* For  $x \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ , by Theorem 6.7, we have

$$\text{CAR}_1(x) \simeq (\mathcal{C}^{\Sigma})(x) \simeq (\mathcal{C}(x))^{\sigma} = M_2(C(\mathbb{T}))^{\sigma},$$

with the natural  $C([0, \frac{1}{2}])$ -structure on  $\mathcal{C}$  given as in (7). By the duality theorem (see e.g. [14, Sec. 7.1]),  $M_2 \otimes C(\mathbb{T}) \simeq (C(\mathbb{T}) \rtimes_{\beta} \mathbb{Z}_2) \rtimes_{\hat{\beta}} \mathbb{Z}_2$ , where  $\hat{\beta}$  is the dual action of  $\widehat{\mathbb{Z}_2} \simeq \mathbb{Z}_2$  on  $C(\mathbb{T}) \rtimes_{\beta} \mathbb{Z}_2$ ; the double dual action  $\hat{\hat{\beta}}$  on  $(C(\mathbb{T}) \rtimes_{\beta} \mathbb{Z}_2) \rtimes_{\hat{\beta}} \mathbb{Z}_2$  is carried by the isomorphism into  $\hat{\beta}$  on  $M_2 \otimes C(\mathbb{T})$  given by  $\hat{\beta}_w = \text{Ad}(W(w)) \otimes \beta_w = \sigma_w, w \in \mathbb{Z}_2$  ( $w \mapsto W(w)$  is unitary equivalent to the left regular representation of  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ ); hence, using the fixed point theorem, we obtain

$$M_2(C(\mathbb{T}))^{\sigma} \simeq ((C(\mathbb{T}) \rtimes_{\beta} \mathbb{Z}_2) \rtimes_{\hat{\beta}} \mathbb{Z}_2)^{\hat{\beta}} \simeq C(\mathbb{T}) \rtimes_{\beta} \mathbb{Z}_2.$$

In particular, the isomorphism maps the generators  $u$  and  $v$  of  $C(\mathbb{T}) \rtimes_{\beta} \mathbb{Z}_2$  to  $z \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$  in  $M_2(C(\mathbb{T}))^{\sigma}$  respectively, and from which one can easily see that the element  $\frac{u}{2}((\sqrt{1-x} + \sqrt{x})1 + (\sqrt{1-x} - \sqrt{x})v)$  maps to  $z \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{x} \\ \sqrt{1-x} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

If  $x = 0$ , then

$$\text{CAR}_1(0) \simeq \{f \in M_2(C(\mathbb{T})) \mid f(z) = W(z)f(1)W(z)^*, z \in \mathbb{T}\} \simeq M_2(\mathbb{C}),$$

with the isomorphism given by  $f \mapsto f(1)$ .

For  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ , one has the isomorphism  $\mathcal{C}(\frac{1}{2}) \simeq C(\mathbb{T}) \oplus C(\mathbb{T})$  given by  $\phi : f \mapsto V^*fV$ , where  $V = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Let  $X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , and let  $\tilde{\sigma}$  be the action of  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  on  $M_2(C(\mathbb{T}))$  given by

$$\tilde{\sigma}(f)(z) = Xf(-z)X^*, \quad z \in \mathbb{T}.$$

Then

$$\phi(\sigma(f)) = \tilde{\sigma}(\phi(f)), \quad f \in M_2(C(\mathbb{T})).$$

Notice that  $\tilde{\sigma}$  acts on  $C(\mathbb{T}) \oplus C(\mathbb{T})$  as

$$\tilde{\sigma}(f, g)(z) = (g, f)(-z), \quad z \in \mathbb{T}.$$

Hence

$$\text{CAR}_1\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \simeq (C(\mathbb{T}) \oplus C(\mathbb{T}))^{\tilde{\sigma}} \simeq C(\mathbb{T}).$$

The formula for  $\psi_{\frac{1}{2}}$  can be easily derived. That the isomorphisms are  $\mathbb{T}$ -equivariant is straight-forward.  $\square$

**Remark 6.10.** In what follows, we shall also use the isomorphism  $\text{CAR}_1(0) \simeq M_2$  given by  $h(a)(0) \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . The isomorphism is  $\mathbb{T}$ -equivariant when  $M_2$  is given the  $\mathbb{T}$ -action  $w \curvearrowright T = W(w)^*TW(w)$ ,  $T \in M_2$ ,  $w \in \mathbb{T}$ .

### 7. $\text{CAR}_\Theta$ AS $C(K_n)$ -ALGEBRA AND ITS FIBERS

Let  $K_n = [0, \frac{1}{2}]^n$ . We shall now use our knowledge about  $\text{CAR}_1$  to describe a  $C(K_n)$ -structure on  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  and the corresponding fibers. For this, we will use the fact that  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  is a Rieffel deformation of the tensor product of  $n$  copies of  $\text{CAR}_1$  (Theorem 5.1). The result will allow us in particular to obtain a classification of all irreducible representations of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  providing an alternative proof of [10, Thm. 3].

Let  $\Theta$  be a real skew-symmetric  $n \times n$  matrix, and let  $\alpha$  be the action of  $\mathbb{T}$  on  $\text{CAR}_1$  given by (3). Since  $\alpha$  is fiberwise with respect to the  $C([0, \frac{1}{2}])$ -structure on  $\text{CAR}_1$ , we get an action on  $\text{CAR}_1(x)$ . Similarly,  $\alpha^{\otimes n}$  is fiberwise with respect to the natural  $C(K_n)$ -structure on  $\text{CAR}_1^{\otimes n}$ . Thus, by Theorem 5.1 and Proposition 3.2, one has the following statement.

**Proposition 7.1.** *There exists a  $C(K_n)$ -structure on  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  such that*

$$\text{CAR}_\Theta(x) \simeq (\text{CAR}_1^{\otimes n}(x))^{\frac{\Theta}{2}}.$$

Next we shall give a more explicit description of the fibers.

Given  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in K_n$ , let

$$\begin{aligned} L_x &= \{i \in \mathbb{N}_n \mid x_i = 0\}, \\ M_x &= \left\{i \in \mathbb{N}_n \mid 0 < x_i < \frac{1}{2}\right\}, \\ R_x &= \left\{i \in \mathbb{N}_n \mid x_i = \frac{1}{2}\right\}. \end{aligned}$$

For  $S = \{S(1), \dots, S(m)\} \subset \{1, \dots, n\}$ , we let  $\Theta_S$  be the  $m \times m$  matrix such that  $(\Theta_S)_{i,j} = \Theta_{S(i),S(j)}$ . For a set  $Y$ , we write  $Y^S = \{(a_i)_{i \in S} \mid a_i \in Y\}$ . If  $Y$  is a group, then so is  $Y^S$  with respect to coordinate-wise multiplication; similarly,  $Y^S$  is a Hilbert space if so is  $Y$  with natural linear operations and scalar product on it. Set

$$\text{Cl}_S = C^*(e_i, i \in S \mid e_i^2 = 0, e_i e_i^* + e_i^* e_i = 1, e_i e_j = e_j e_i) \simeq \text{Cl}_2^{\otimes |S|}$$

and write  $C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta_S}^S)$  for the non-commutative torus:

$$C^*(u_k, k \in S \mid u_k u_l = e^{-2\pi i \Theta_{k,l}} u_l u_k, u_k u_k^* = u_k^* u_k = 1).$$

If  $S = \{1, \dots, n\}$ , we write simply  $\text{Cl}_{2n}$  and  $C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^n)$ ; if  $n = 2$ , identifying  $\Theta$  with  $\theta := \Theta_{1,2} \in \mathbb{R}$ , we denote the non-commutative torus by  $C(\mathbb{T}_\theta^2)$ .

For  $x \in K_n$ , let  $\beta_\Theta^x$  be the action of  $\mathbb{Z}_2^{M_x}$  on  $C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}^{M_x \sqcup R_x}})$  given by

$$\beta_\Theta^x(\omega)(u_l) = \omega_l u_l, \quad l \in M_x, \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_\Theta^x(\omega)(u_l) = u_l, \quad l \in R_x,$$

for  $\omega = (\omega_k)_{k \in M_x} \in \mathbb{Z}_2^{M_x}$ . Then

$$C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}^{M_x \sqcup R_x}}) \rtimes_{\beta_\Theta^x} \mathbb{Z}_2^{M_x}$$

is generated by  $u_i$ ,  $i \in M_x \sqcup R_x$ , which satisfy the relations in  $C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}^{M_x \sqcup R_x}})$ , and by selfadjoint unitaries  $v_i$ ,  $i \in M_x$ , such that

$$v_i v_j = v_j v_i \quad \text{and} \quad v_i^* u_j v_i = \beta_\Theta^x(\omega^i)(u_j),$$

$i \in M_x, j \in M_x \sqcup R_x$ , where  $\omega_i^i = -1$  and  $\omega_k^i = 1$  otherwise.

**Proposition 7.2.** *Let  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in K_n$ . Then*

$$\text{CAR}_\Theta(x) \simeq \text{Cl}_{L_x} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}^{M_x \sqcup R_x}}) \rtimes_{\beta_\Theta^x} \mathbb{Z}_2^{M_x}.$$

The isomorphism is given by

$$h_\Theta^x(a_i(x)) = \prod_{k \in L_x} (e_k e_k^* + e^{\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k^* e_k) e_i \otimes 1, \quad i \in L_x,$$

$$h_\Theta^x(a_i(x)) = \prod_{k \in L_x} (e_k e_k^* + e^{2\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k^* e_k) \otimes \frac{u_i}{2} ((\sqrt{1-x_i} + \sqrt{x_i}) + (\sqrt{1-x_i} - \sqrt{x_i}) v_i), \quad i \in M_x,$$

$$h_\Theta^x(a_i(x)) = \prod_{k \in L_x} (e_k e_k^* + e^{2\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k^* e_k) \otimes \frac{u_i}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad i \in R_x.$$

*Proof.* By Proposition 7.1, we have

$$\text{CAR}_\Theta(x) \simeq (\text{CAR}_1^{\otimes n}(x))^{\frac{\Theta}{2}} \simeq \left( \bigotimes_{i=1}^n \text{CAR}_1(x_i) \right)^{\frac{\Theta}{2}}.$$

By Theorem 6.9,

$$\text{CAR}_\Theta(x) \simeq (\text{Cl}_{L_x} \otimes (C(\mathbb{T}^{M_x}) \rtimes_{\beta} \mathbb{Z}_2^{M_x}) \otimes C(\mathbb{T}^{R_x}))^{\frac{\Theta}{2}},$$

where the action of  $\mathbb{T}^{L_x \sqcup M_x \sqcup R_x}$ , which determines the latter Rieffel deformation, is given by the corresponding product of  $\mathbb{T}$ -actions on  $\text{Cl}_2 \simeq M_2$ ,  $C(\mathbb{T}) \rtimes_{\beta} \mathbb{Z}_2$  and  $C(\mathbb{T})$  given in Remark 6.10 (for the action on  $M_2$ ) and Theorem 6.9. Identify  $\text{Cl}_{L_x}$  with  $\bigotimes_{k \in L_x} M_2$  through  $e_k \mapsto \bigotimes_{l \in L_x} a_l$ , where  $a_k = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $a_l = I_2$  otherwise. The action  $\mathbb{T}^{L_x}$  on  $\text{Cl}_{L_x}$ , given by

$$\alpha_{L_x} : (z_i)_{i \in L_x} \curvearrowright e_i = z_i e_i,$$

is implemented by the unitary representation  $(U_z)$  of  $\mathbb{T}^{L_x}$  on  $(\mathbb{C}^2)^{L_x}$  given by

$$U_z \left( \bigotimes_{i \in L_x} \begin{pmatrix} \xi_i^1 \\ \xi_i^2 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \bigotimes_{x \in L_x} \begin{pmatrix} \xi_i^1 \\ z_i \xi_i^2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad z = (z_i)_{i \in L_x} \in \mathbb{T}^{L_x}.$$

By Theorem 4.2 and the remark after it, we have

$$\text{CAR}_\Theta(x) \simeq \text{Cl}_{L_x} \otimes ((C(\mathbb{T}^{M_x}) \rtimes_{\beta} \mathbb{Z}_2^{M_x}) \otimes C(\mathbb{T}^{R_x}))^{\frac{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}}{2}}.$$

Since  $\tilde{\beta} := \beta \otimes \text{id} : \mathbb{Z}_2^{M_x \sqcup R_x} \rightarrow \text{Aut}(C(\mathbb{T}^{M_x}) \otimes C(\mathbb{T}^{R_x}))$  commutes with the action that defines the Rieffel deformation, by Remark 3.6 and Proposition 3.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CAR}_\Theta(x) &\simeq \text{Cl}_{L_x} \otimes (C(\mathbb{T}^{M_x \sqcup R_x}) \rtimes_{\tilde{\beta}} \mathbb{Z}_2^{M_x})^{\frac{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}}{2}} \\ &\simeq \text{Cl}_{L_x} \otimes (C(\mathbb{T}^{M_x \sqcup R_x}))^{\frac{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}}{2}} \rtimes_{\beta_\Theta^x} \mathbb{Z}_2^{M_x} \\ &\simeq \text{Cl}_{L_x} \otimes (C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}}^{M_x \sqcup R_x}) \rtimes_{\beta_\Theta^x} \mathbb{Z}_2^{M_x}). \end{aligned}$$

To see the formulas, recall the maps  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  from Section 4. If  $i \in L_x$ , then

$$h_\Theta^x(a_i(x)) = \Phi(e_i \otimes 1) = \Psi(e_i) \otimes 1.$$

Let  $\xi \in (\mathbb{C}^2)^{L_x}$  be homogeneous of order  $q = (b_i)_{i \in L_x}$  with  $b_i \in \{0, -1\}$ , i.e.  $\xi = \bigotimes_{i \in L_x} f_{b_i}$ , where  $\{f_0 = \binom{1}{0}, f_{-1} = \binom{0}{1}\}$  is the standard basis in  $\mathbb{C}^2$ . If  $b_k = -1$ , then  $e_k^* e_k(\xi) = \xi$ ,  $e_k e_k^*(\xi) = 0$ . Since  $e_j$  is homogeneous of order  $p = \delta_j \in \mathbb{Z}^{L_x}$ , one has

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(e_i)\xi &= e^{2\pi i \langle \Theta_{L_x}(\delta_i)/2, q \rangle} e_i \xi = e^{2\pi i \sum_{k \in L_x} \frac{1}{2} \Theta_{k,i} b_k} e_i \xi \\ &= \prod_{k: b_k = -1} e^{-\pi i \Theta_{k,i}} e_i \xi = \prod_{k \in L_x} (e_k e_k^* + e^{-\pi i \Theta_{k,i}} e_k^* e_k) e_i \xi. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $i \in R_x$ . Since  $u_i$  is homogeneous of order  $\delta_i \in \mathbb{Z}^{M_x \sqcup R_x}$ , by Theorem 4.2,

$$h_\Theta^x(a_i(x)) = (\alpha_{L_x})_{\omega(-\delta_i)}(\Psi(1)) U_{\omega(-2\delta_i)} \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} u_i = U_{\omega(-2\delta_i)} \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} u_i.$$

Notice that

$$U_z = \prod_{k \in L_x} (e_k e_k^* + \overline{z_k} e_k^* e_k), \quad z = (z_i)_{i \in L_x},$$

and  $\omega_j(-\delta_i) = e^{-2\pi i \Theta_{i,j}}$ . Thus

$$h_\Theta^x(a_i(x)) = \prod_{k \in L_x} (e_k e_k^* + e^{2\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k^* e_k) \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} u_i.$$

If  $i \in M_x$ , then similar calculations give

$$\begin{aligned} h_\Theta^x(a_i(x)) &= \prod_{k \in L_x} (e_k e_k^* + e^{2\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k^* e_k) \\ &\quad \otimes \frac{u_i}{2} ((\sqrt{1-x_i} + \sqrt{x_i}) + (\sqrt{1-x_i} - \sqrt{x_i}) v_i). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Now, having a description of fibers of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$ , we can classify all irreducible representations of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$ . The following lemma reduces the procedure to the classification of irreducible representations of the fibers.

**Lemma 7.3** ([14, Prop. C.5]). *Suppose a  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  is equipped with a  $C_0(X)$ -structure. Then any irreducible representation of  $\mathcal{A}$  factors through an irreducible representation of a fiber  $\mathcal{A}(x)$  for some  $x \in X$ .*

Lemma 7.3 and Proposition 7.2 reduce the classification of all irreducible representations of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  to that of the  $C^*$ -algebra  $\text{Cl}_{2k} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^{n+m}) \rtimes_{\beta_\Theta} \mathbb{Z}_2^n$ . We will next derive explicit formulas reducing further the classification to the classification of irreducible representations of a non-commutative torus.

As in the proof of Proposition 7.2, we write  $e_i$  for the image of  $e_i \in \text{Cl}_S$  in  $\bigotimes_{k \in S} M_2$  for  $S = L_x$  and  $S = M_x$ ,  $x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}]^{M_x}$ , i.e.  $e_i = \bigotimes_{k \in S} a_k$  with  $a_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $a_k = I_2$  otherwise.

**Lemma 7.4.** *Any irreducible representation of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  is unitary equivalent to a subrepresentation of the representation  $\rho_x \circ \text{ev}_x$ ,  $x = (x_i)_{i \in M_x} \in [0, \frac{1}{2}]^{M_x}$ ,  $\text{ev}_x : \text{CAR}_\Theta \rightarrow \text{CAR}_\Theta(x)$ ,  $a \mapsto a(x)$  and  $\rho_x$  is the representation of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta(x)$  on  $(\bigotimes_{k \in L_x} \mathbb{C}^2) \otimes (\bigotimes_{k \in M_x} \mathbb{C}^2) \otimes H$  given by*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \rho_x(a_i(x)) &= \prod_{k \in L_x} (e_k e_k^* + e^{\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k^* e_k) e_i \otimes 1 \otimes 1_H, & i \in L_x, \\
 \rho_x(a_i(x)) &= \prod_{k \in L_x} (e_k e_k^* + e^{2\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k^* e_k) \\
 &\quad \otimes (\sqrt{x_i} e_i + \sqrt{1-x_i} e_i^*) \otimes u_i, & i \in M_x, \\
 \rho_x(a_i(x)) &= \prod_{k \in L_x} (e_k e_k^* + e^{2\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k^* e_k) \otimes 1 \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} u_i, & i \in R_x.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{8}$$

where  $\{u_i \mid i \in M_x \sqcup R_x\}$  is an irreducible representation of  $C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}}^{M_x \sqcup R_x})$  on the Hilbert space  $H$ .

*Proof.* Proposition 7.2 and the duality arguments for crossed products as in the proof of Theorem 6.9 give

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{CAR}_\Theta(x) &\simeq \text{Cl}_{L_x} \otimes (M_{2|M_x|} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}}^{M_x \sqcup R_x}))^{\tilde{\beta}_{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}}} \\
 &\subset \left( \bigotimes_{k \in L_x} M_2 \right) \otimes \left( \bigotimes_{k \in M_x} M_2 \right) \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}}^{M_x \sqcup R_x}),
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\tilde{\beta}_{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}}$  is defined by

$$\tilde{\beta}_{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}}(w) = \text{Ad}(W(w_i))^{\otimes |M_x|} \otimes \beta_\Theta^x(w), \quad w = (w_i)_{i \in M_x} \in \mathbb{Z}_2^{M_x}.$$

The imbedding is given by (8) with  $(u_i)_{i \in M_x \sqcup R_x}$  the generators of  $C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}}^{M_x \sqcup R_x})$ . As any irreducible representation of

$$\left( \bigotimes_{k \in L_x} M_2 \right) \otimes \left( \bigotimes_{k \in M_x} M_2 \right) \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}}^{M_x \sqcup R_x})$$

is unitary equivalent to  $\text{id} \otimes \text{id} \otimes \pi$ , where  $\pi$  is a representation of  $C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}}^{M_x \sqcup R_x})$ , the statement now follows from [5, Prop. 2.10.2].  $\square$

The next result was proved in [10], but here we present its alternative proof that uses essentially a new approach employing  $C(K_n)$ -structure of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$ . The representations in the list below are unitary equivalent to those given in [10, Thm. 3].

**Theorem 7.5.** *Any irreducible representation of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  is unitary equivalent to a representation  $\tau_x$ ,  $x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}]^{M_x}$ , given on  $(\bigotimes_{k \in L_x} \mathbb{C}^2) \otimes (\bigotimes_{k \in M_x} \mathbb{C}^2) \otimes H$  by*

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_x(a_i) &= \prod_{k \in L_x} (e_k e_k^* + e^{\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k^* e_k) e_i \otimes 1 \otimes 1_H, & i \in L_x, \\ \tau_x(a_i) &= \prod_{k \in L_x} (e_k e_k^* + e^{\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k^* e_k) \\ &\quad \otimes \left( \left( \prod_{k \in M_x, k < i} (e_k^* e_k + e^{2\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k e_k^*) \otimes 1_H \right) \right. \\ &\quad \times \left( \sqrt{x_i} \prod_{k \in M_x, k \geq i} (e_k^* e_k + e^{4\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k e_k^*) e_i \otimes v_i \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \sqrt{1-x_i} e_i^* \otimes 1_H \right) \right), & i \in M_x, \\ \tau_x(a_i) &= \prod_{k \in L_x} (e_k e_k^* + e^{\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k^* e_k) \\ &\quad \otimes \prod_{k \in M_x} (e_k^* e_k + e^{2\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k e_k^*) \otimes \frac{v_i}{\sqrt{2}}, & i \in R_x. \end{aligned}$$

where  $(v_i)_{i \in M_x \sqcup R_x}$  defines an irreducible representation of  $C(\mathbb{T}_\Sigma^{M_x \sqcup R_x})$  on  $H$ , where

$$\Sigma_{i,j} = \begin{cases} 4\Theta_{i,j}, & i, j \in M_x, \\ 2\Theta_{i,j}, & (i, j) \text{ or } (j, i) \in M_x \times R_x, \\ \Theta_{i,j}, & i, j \in R_x. \end{cases}$$

Moreover, two such irreducible representations  $\tau_x$  and  $\tau_y$  are unitary equivalent if and only if  $x = y$  and the corresponding representations of  $C(\mathbb{T}_\Sigma^{M_x \sqcup R_x})$  are unitary equivalent.

*Proof.* Recall the representation  $\rho_x$  from Lemma 7.4, and consider the unitary operators on  $(\bigotimes_{k \in L_x} \mathbb{C}^2) \otimes (\bigotimes_{k \in M_x} \mathbb{C}^2) \otimes H$  given by

$$V_k = 1 \otimes (e_k e_k^* \otimes 1 + e_k^* e_k \otimes u_k), \quad k \in M_x.$$

Set  $V = V_{i_1} \dots V_{i_{|M_x|}}$ , where  $M_x = \{i_1, \dots, i_{|M_x|}\}$  and  $i_k < i_l$  if  $k < l$ . Then

$$V \rho_x(a_i) V^* = \rho_x(a_i) = \prod_{k \in L_x} (e_k e_k^* + e^{\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k^* e_k) e_i \otimes 1 \otimes 1_H, \quad i \in L_x,$$

$$\begin{aligned} V \rho_x(a_i) V^* &= \prod_{k \in L_x} (e_k e_k^* + e^{\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k^* e_k) \\ &\quad \otimes \left( \left( \prod_{k \in M_x, k < i} (e_k^* e_k + e^{2\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k e_k^*) \otimes 1_H \right) \right. \\ &\quad \times \left( \sqrt{x_i} \prod_{k \in M_x, k \geq i} (e_k^* e_k + e^{4\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k e_k^*) e_i \otimes u_i^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \sqrt{1-x_i} e_i^* \otimes 1_H \right) \right), & i \in M_x, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V \rho_x(a_i) V^* &= \prod_{k \in L_x} (e_k e_k^* + e^{\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k^* e_k) \\ &\quad \otimes \prod_{k \in M_x} (e_k^* e_k + e^{2\pi i \Theta_{i,k}} e_k e_k^*) \otimes \frac{1_H}{\sqrt{2}}, & i \in R_x. \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to see that the family  $\{u_i^2 \mid i \in M_x\} \cup \{u_i \mid i \in R_x\}$  forms a representation of  $C(\mathbb{T}_\Sigma^{M_x \sqcup R_x})$ . Moreover, any such family with  $v_i$  instead of  $u_i^2$ ,  $i \in M_x$ , and  $v_i$  instead of  $u_i$ ,  $i \in R_x$ , where  $(v_i)_{i \in M_x \sqcup R_x}$  defines a representation of  $C(\mathbb{T}_\Sigma^{M_x \sqcup R_x})$ , is a representation of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$ .

Fix  $x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}]^{M_x}$ , and let  $C$  be an operator intertwining the representations corresponding to families  $\mathbb{V} = (v_i)_{i \in M_x \sqcup R_x}$  and  $\mathbb{W} = (w_i)_{i \in M_x \sqcup R_x}$  acting on  $H_{\mathbb{V}}$  and  $H_{\mathbb{W}}$  respectively. Denote them by  $\tau_{\mathbb{V}}$  and  $\tau_{\mathbb{W}}$  respectively; we have  $C\tau_{\mathbb{V}}(a) = \tau_{\mathbb{W}}(a)C$ ,  $a \in \text{CAR}_\Theta$ , i.e.  $C \in \text{Hom}(\tau_{\mathbb{V}}, \tau_{\mathbb{W}})$ . In particular,

$$(9) \quad C\tau_{\mathbb{V}}(a_i^* a_i) = \tau_{\mathbb{W}}(a_i^* a_i)C, \quad i \in L_x \sqcup M_x \sqcup R_x.$$

We have

$$(10) \quad \tau_{\mathbb{V}}(a_i^* a_i) = \begin{cases} e_i^* e_i \otimes 1 \otimes 1_{H_{\mathbb{V}}}, & i \in L_x, \\ 1 \otimes ((1 - x_i)e_i e_i^* + x_i e_i^* e_i) \otimes 1_{H_{\mathbb{V}}}, & i \in M_x, \\ 1 \otimes 1 \otimes 1_{H_{\mathbb{V}}}, & i \in R_x. \end{cases}$$

Therefore, it is easy to see that (9) implies that  $C = \sum_i p_i \otimes C_i$ , where  $p_i = \prod_{k \in L_x \sqcup M_x} q_k^i$  with

$$q_k^i \in \{e_k e_k^*, e_k^* e_k\}_{k \in L_x \sqcup M_x} \subset \bigotimes_{k \in L_x \sqcup M_x} M_2 \left( = \left( \bigotimes_{k \in L_x} M_2 \right) \otimes \left( \bigotimes_{k \in M_x} M_2 \right) \right),$$

$C_i \in \mathcal{B}(H_{\mathbb{V}}, H_{\mathbb{W}})$ ; the summation is over all possible products  $p_i = \prod_{k \in L_x \sqcup M_x} q_k^i$ .

The condition  $C\tau_{\mathbb{V}}(a_k) = \tau_{\mathbb{W}}(a_k)C$  for  $k \in L_x$  is equivalent to

$$\sum_i \alpha_{i,k} p_i e_k \otimes C_i = \sum_i \alpha_{i,k} e_k p_i \otimes C_i$$

for some nonzero  $\alpha_{i,k}$ . As

$$p_i e_k = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } q_k^i = e_k^* e_k, \\ e_k p_{\sigma_k(i)} & \text{if } q_k^i = e_k e_k^*, \end{cases}$$

here  $q_k^{\sigma_k(i)} = e_k^* e_k$  if  $q_k^i = e_k e_k^*$  and vice versa, and  $q_j^{\sigma_k(i)} = q_j^i$  otherwise (i.e. we swap the projection  $q_k^i$  to the other possible value for the  $k$ th factor), we obtain  $C_i = C_{\sigma_k(i)}$  for all  $k \in L_x$ . Similarly, the condition  $C\tau_{\mathbb{V}}(a_k) = \tau_{\mathbb{W}}(a_k)C$  for  $k \in M_x$  implies first that  $C_i = C_{\sigma_k(i)}$ ,  $k \in M_x$ , giving now that all  $C_i$ 's are equal; call the common value  $C'$  and get  $C = 1 \otimes C'$ . Then we obtain that  $C'v_k = w_k C'$  for all  $k \in M_x$ . The condition  $C\tau_{\mathbb{V}}(a_k) = \tau_{\mathbb{W}}(a_k)C$  for  $k \in R_x$  gives  $C'v_k = w_k C'$ . Therefore, we have a bijection  $\text{Hom}(\tau_{\mathbb{V}}, \tau_{\mathbb{W}}) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\mathbb{V}, \mathbb{W})$ ,  $1 \otimes C \mapsto C$ . From this, it easily follows that  $\tau_{\mathbb{V}}$  is irreducible if and only if  $\mathbb{V}$  defines an irreducible representation  $C(\mathbb{T}_\Sigma^{M_x \sqcup R_x})$ .

That  $\tau_x$  and  $\tau_y$  are not unitary equivalent for  $x \neq y$  follows from the fact that the spectrum of  $\tau_x(a_i^* a_i)$  is in  $\{1, x_i, 1 - x_i\}$  if  $i \in M_x$ , see (10).  $\square$

### 8. CLASSIFICATION OF $\text{CAR}_\Theta$

This section contains the main result of the paper and concerns the classification of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  up to isomorphism. To obtain the result, we will employ

another  $C(K)$ -structure coming from the center of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  and relate it to the  $C([0, \frac{1}{2}])$ -structure on the algebra. We will then use  $K$ -theoretical arguments applied to the fibers to derive the result.

Let  $\Theta_1$  and  $\Theta_2$  be skew-symmetric real  $n \times n$  matrices. Suppose  $\varphi : \text{CAR}_{\Theta_1} \rightarrow \text{CAR}_{\Theta_2}$  is an isomorphism. It induces an isomorphism of the centers and a homeomorphism  $\alpha : \text{spec } Z(\text{CAR}_{\Theta_2}) \rightarrow \text{spec } Z(\text{CAR}_{\Theta_1})$  of their Gelfand spectrum. Let  $Z_{\Theta_i} = \text{spec } Z(\text{CAR}_{\Theta_i})$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . We have a natural  $C(Z_{\Theta_i})$ -structure on  $\text{CAR}_{\Theta_i}$  given by the inverse of the Gelfand transform  $\hat{g} \mapsto g$ ,  $g \in Z(\text{CAR}_{\Theta_i})$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ :  $\Phi_i(\hat{g}) \cdot a = ga$ ,  $a \in \text{CAR}_{\Theta_i}$ . Letting

$$I_z^\Theta = \{ga \mid a \in \text{CAR}_\Theta, \hat{g}(z) = 0\}, \quad z \in Z_\Theta,$$

we have the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & I_{\alpha(z)}^{\Theta_1} & \longrightarrow & \text{CAR}_{\Theta_1} & \longrightarrow & \text{CAR}_{\Theta_1}(\alpha(z)) \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow \varphi|_{I_{\alpha(z)}^{\Theta_1}} & & \downarrow \varphi & & \downarrow \text{---} \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & I_z^{\Theta_2} & \longrightarrow & \text{CAR}_{\Theta_2} & \longrightarrow & \text{CAR}_{\Theta_2}(z) \longrightarrow 0, \end{array}$$

which gives the isomorphisms  $\text{CAR}_{\Theta_1}(\alpha(z)) \simeq \text{CAR}_{\Theta_2}(z)$  for every  $z \in Z_{\Theta_2}$ .

The  $C(K_n)$ -structure on  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  induces an injective homomorphism from  $C(K_n)$  to  $C(Z_\Theta)$  and hence a canonical continuous surjection  $\pi : Z_\Theta \rightarrow K_n$ . We also have for all  $z \in Z_\Theta$  that  $I_{\pi(z)}$  is an ideal in  $I_z^\Theta$  and hence

$$\text{CAR}_\Theta(z) \simeq \text{CAR}_\Theta / I_z^\Theta \simeq (\text{CAR}_\Theta / I_{\pi(z)}) / (I_z^\Theta / I_{\pi(z)})$$

so that  $\text{CAR}_\Theta(z)$  is a quotient of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta(\pi(z))$ .

**Definition 8.1.** Recall  $L_x$ ,  $M_x$  and  $R_x$ ,  $x \in K_n$ , from Section 7, and for each  $z \in Z_\Theta$ , define the face signature to be  $\text{face}(z) = (|L_{\pi(z)}|, |M_{\pi(z)}|, |R_{\pi(z)}|)$ .

**Definition 8.2.** We say that a real skew-symmetric  $n \times n$  matrix  $\Theta$  is *irrational* if, whenever  $p \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  satisfies  $e^{2\pi i(p, \Theta(q))} = 1$  for all  $q \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ , then  $p = 0$ .

We note that some authors choose to call such  $\Theta$  non-degenerate, see e.g. [8]. We now give a description of the fibers of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  over  $Z_\Theta$  using the above connection with  $C(K_n)$ -structure and the description of fibers given in Proposition 7.2.

Let  $\Theta$  be an irrational skew-symmetric  $n \times n$ -matrix. For  $z \in Z_\Theta$ , set  $x = \pi(z) \in K_n$  and  $l = |L_x|$ ,  $m = |M_x|$ ,  $r = |R_x|$ . The description splits in the following four cases.

(i) If  $m + r \geq 2$ , then  $\text{CAR}_\Theta(x) \simeq \text{Cl}_{2l} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}}^{m+r}) \rtimes_{\beta_\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_2^m$ . Since  $\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}$  is irrational,  $Z(\text{CAR}_\Theta(x)) \simeq \mathbb{C}$ . From this, one can easily derive that  $I_{\pi(z)}^\Theta = I_z^\Theta$  and hence

$$\text{CAR}_\Theta(z) \simeq \text{Cl}_{2l} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}}^{m+r}) \rtimes_{\beta_\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_2^m.$$

(ii) If  $l = n - 1$ ,  $m = 1$ , then  $\text{CAR}_\Theta(z)$  is a quotient of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta(x) \simeq \text{Cl}_{2n-2} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}) \rtimes_{\beta_\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_2$ . As  $C(\mathbb{T}) \rtimes_{\beta_\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_2 \simeq M_2(C(\mathbb{T}))$  (see e.g. [4, Prop. 3.4]), we have  $\text{CAR}_\Theta(x) \simeq \text{Cl}_{2n} \otimes C(\mathbb{T})$  with all quotients being of the form  $\text{Cl}_{2n} \otimes C(K)$  for some closed subset  $K \subset \mathbb{T}$ .

(iii) If  $l = n - 1, r = 1$ , then  $\text{CAR}_\Theta(z)$  is a quotient of  $\text{CAR}_\Theta(x) \simeq \text{Cl}_{2n-2} \otimes C(\mathbb{T})$ . All such quotients have the form  $\text{Cl}_{2n-2} \otimes C(K)$  for a closed subset  $K \subset \mathbb{T}$ .

(iv) If  $l = n$ , then  $\text{CAR}_\Theta(x) \simeq \text{Cl}_{2n} \simeq \text{CAR}_\Theta(z)$ .

To prove the main result, we need the following auxiliary lemmas.

**Lemma 8.3.** *Let  $\Theta$  be irrational and  $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^n))$ , given by  $\sigma(u_1) = -u_1, \sigma(u_k) = u_k, k > 1$ . Then*

$$C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^n)^\sigma \simeq C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta^{(1)}}^n),$$

where  $\Theta_{i,j}^{(1)} = 2\Theta_{i,j}$  if either  $i$  or  $j = 1$  and  $\Theta_{i,j}^{(1)} = \Theta_{i,j}$  otherwise.

*Proof.* We note first that  $C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^n)^\sigma = \{x + \sigma(x) \mid x \in C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^n)\}$  from which it is easy to see using approximation arguments that  $C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^n)^\sigma$  equals the  $C^*$ -subalgebra  $C^*(u_1^2, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ , generated by  $u_1^2, u_2, \dots, u_n$ . Furthermore, the map  $u_1 \mapsto u_1^2, u_k \mapsto u_k, k > 1$ , extends to a surjective  $*$ -homomorphism from  $C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta^{(1)}}^n)$  to  $C^*(u_1^2, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ . The statement now follows from the simplicity of  $C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta^{(1)}}^n)$ , see e.g. [8, Thm. 1.9].  $\square$

For a skew-symmetric real matrix  $\Theta$  of size  $n = m + r$ , let  $\Sigma$  be given by

$$\Sigma_{i,j} = \begin{cases} 4\Theta_{i,j}, & i, j \leq m, \\ 2\Theta_{i,j}, & \text{either } i \leq m \text{ or } j \leq m, \\ \Theta_{i,j}, & i, j > m. \end{cases}$$

Define  $\beta_\Theta : \mathbb{Z}_2^m \rightarrow \text{Aut}(C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^{m+r}))$  by

$$\beta_\Theta(\omega)(u_k) = \begin{cases} \omega_k u_k, & k \leq m, \\ u_k, & k > m, \end{cases}$$

where  $\omega = (\omega_1, \dots, \omega_m)$ .

**Lemma 8.4.** *Let  $\Theta, \Sigma$  and  $\beta_\Theta$  be as above. Then*

$$C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^{m+r}) \rtimes_{\beta_\Theta} \mathbb{Z}_2^m \simeq \text{Cl}_{2m} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_\Sigma^{m+r}).$$

*Proof.* Let first  $m = 1$  and write  $\sigma$  for  $\beta_\Theta$ . The arguments as in Theorem 6.9 show that

$$C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^{1+r}) \rtimes_\sigma \mathbb{Z}_2 \simeq (M_2(C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^{1+r})))^{\tilde{\sigma}},$$

where  $\tilde{\sigma} = \text{Ad } W \otimes \sigma$  and  $W = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Furthermore, if  $U = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ u_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , then

$$UM_2(C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^{1+r}))^{\tilde{\sigma}}U^* = M_2(C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^{1+r})^\sigma),$$

as

$$M_2(C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^{1+r}))^{\tilde{\sigma}} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \mid A, D \in C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^{1+r})^\sigma, B, C \in C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^{1+r})^\sigma(-1) \right\},$$

where  $\mathcal{A}^\sigma(-1) = \{a \in \mathcal{A} \mid \sigma(a) = -a\}$ . This together with Lemma 8.3 yields the statement for  $m = 1$ . To see it for general  $m$ , we note first that

$$C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^{m+r}) \rtimes_{\beta_\Theta} \mathbb{Z}_2^m \simeq (C(\mathbb{T}_\Theta^{1+(m-1+r)})) \rtimes_\sigma \mathbb{Z}_2 \rtimes_{\beta'_\Theta} \mathbb{Z}_2^{m-1}$$

which together with the previous result and simple calculations gives

$$C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta}^{m+r}) \rtimes_{\beta_{\Theta}} \mathbb{Z}_2^m \simeq \text{Cl}_2 \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta^{(1)}}^{m+r}) \rtimes_{\beta_{\Theta^{(1)}}} \mathbb{Z}_2^{m-1},$$

where  $\Theta^{(1)}$  is as in Lemma 8.3,  $\beta'_{\Theta}$  acts as  $\beta_{\Theta}$  on  $C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta^{(1)}}^{1+(m-1+r)})$  and identically on the generator of  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ , and  $\beta_{\Theta^{(1)}} : \mathbb{Z}_2^{m-1} \rightarrow \text{Aut}(C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta^{(1)}}^{m+r}))$  is given by  $\beta_{\Theta^{(1)}}(\omega)(u_i) = \omega_i u_i$  if  $2 \leq i \leq m$  and  $\beta_{\Theta^{(1)}}(\omega)(u_1) = u_1$  for  $\omega = (\omega_2, \dots, \omega_m)$ . The statement now follows by the successive application of the above argument.  $\square$

**Lemma 8.5.** *For  $z \in Z_{\Theta}$ , set  $m = |M_{\pi(z)}|$  and  $r = |R_{\pi(z)}|$ . If  $m + r > 1$  and  $\Theta$  is irrational, then*

$$K_0(\text{CAR}_{\Theta}(z)) \simeq \mathbb{Z}^{2^{m+r-1}}.$$

*Proof.* If  $m + r > 1$ , then

$$\text{CAR}_{\Theta}(z) \simeq \text{Cl}_{2l} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{\Theta_{M_x \sqcup R_x}}^{m+r}) \rtimes_{\beta_{\Theta}^x} \mathbb{Z}_2^m,$$

and by Lemma 8.4,  $\text{CAR}_{\Theta}(z) \simeq \text{Cl}_{2l+2m} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{\Sigma}^{m+r})$ . Thus, by Proposition 3.7,

$$K_0(\text{CAR}_{\Theta}(z)) \simeq K_0(C(\mathbb{T}_{\Sigma}^{m+r})) \simeq K_0(C(\mathbb{T}^{m+r})) \simeq \mathbb{Z}^{2^{m+r-1}}. \quad \square$$

**Lemma 8.6.** *Let  $\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3 \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ . The  $C^*$ -algebras*

$\text{Cl}_{2n-4} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{\theta_1}^2)$ ,  $\text{Cl}_{2n-4} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{\theta_2}^2) \rtimes_{\beta_1} \mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $\text{Cl}_{2n-4} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{\theta_3}^2) \rtimes_{(\beta_1 \times \beta_2)} \mathbb{Z}_2^2$   
*are mutually nonisomorphic.*

*Proof.* It is known that  $C(\mathbb{T}_{\theta}^2)$  and  $\bigotimes_{k \in S} M_{n(k)} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{\theta}^2)$  are  $C^*$ -algebras with unique normalized trace which we denote by  $\text{tr}$ . By a result of Rieffel ([12, Thm. 1.2, Prop. 1.3]),  $\text{tr}(\mathcal{P}(M_n \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{\theta}^2))) = n^{-1}(\mathbb{Z} + \theta\mathbb{Z}) \cap [0, 1]$ , where  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  is the set of projections of  $A$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}(\mathcal{P}(\text{Cl}_{2n-4} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{\theta_1}^2))) &= \frac{1}{2^{n-2}} \text{tr}(\mathcal{P}(C(\mathbb{T}_{\theta_1}^2))) \\ &= \frac{1}{2^{n-2}} (\mathbb{Z} + \theta_1\mathbb{Z}) \cap [0, 1], \\ \text{tr}(\mathcal{P}(\text{Cl}_{2n-4} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{\theta_2}^2) \rtimes_{\beta_1} \mathbb{Z}_2)) &\stackrel{\text{Lem. 8.4}}{=} \text{tr}(\mathcal{P}(\text{Cl}_{2n-2} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{2\theta_2}^2))) \\ &= \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} (\mathbb{Z} + 2\theta_2\mathbb{Z}) \cap [0, 1], \\ \text{tr}(\mathcal{P}(\text{Cl}_{2n-4} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{\theta_3}^2) \rtimes_{(\beta_1 \times \beta_2)} \mathbb{Z}_2^2)) &\stackrel{\text{Lem. 8.4}}{=} \text{tr}(\mathcal{P}(\text{Cl}_{2n} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{4\theta_3}^2))) \\ &= \frac{1}{2^n} (\mathbb{Z} + 4\theta_3\mathbb{Z}) \cap [0, 1], \end{aligned}$$

showing that the  $C^*$ -algebras  $\text{Cl}_{2n-4} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{\theta_1}^2)$ ,  $\text{Cl}_{2n-4} \otimes (C(\mathbb{T}_{\theta_2}^2) \rtimes_{\beta_1} \mathbb{Z}_2)$  and  $\text{Cl}_{2n-4} \otimes (C(\mathbb{T}_{\theta_3}^2) \rtimes_{(\beta_1 \times \beta_2)} \mathbb{Z}_2^2)$  are mutually nonisomorphic.  $\square$

**Lemma 8.7.** *Let  $\Theta_1$  and  $\Theta_2$  be irrational skew-symmetric  $n \times n$  matrices, and let  $\varphi : \text{CAR}_{\Theta_1} \rightarrow \text{CAR}_{\Theta_2}$  be an isomorphism with the induced homeomorphism  $\alpha : Z_{\Theta_2} \rightarrow Z_{\Theta_1}$ . If  $z \in Z_{\Theta_2}$  satisfies  $\text{face}(z) = (n - 2, 0, 2)$ , then  $\text{face}(z) = \text{face}(\alpha(z))$ .*

*Proof.* We observe first that if  $z \in Z_\Theta$  is such that  $m = |M_{\pi(z)}|$  and  $r = |R_{\pi(z)}|$  satisfy  $m + r \leq 1$ , then  $z$  is either of type (ii), (iii) or (iv), and hence  $\text{CAR}_\Theta(z)$  is a  $C^*$ -algebra of the form  $M_n(C(X))$ , which is either finite-dimensional or non-simple, while if  $m + r > 1$ , then  $\text{CAR}_\Theta(z)$  is infinite-dimensional and simple. From this, we can conclude that if  $\Theta_1$  and  $\Theta_2$  are irrational, then  $|M_{\pi(\alpha(z))}| + |R_{\pi(\alpha(z))}| \leq 1$  when  $|M_{\pi(z)}| + |R_{\pi(z)}| \leq 1$ . Therefore, if  $\text{face}(z) = (n - 2, 0, 2)$ , then  $|M_{\pi(\alpha(z))}| + |R_{\pi(\alpha(z))}|$  is necessarily larger than 1, and by Lemma 8.5 must be exactly 2. This gives that the possible values of  $\text{face}(\alpha(z))$  are  $(n - 2, 0, 2)$ ,  $(n - 2, 1, 1)$  and  $(n - 2, 2, 0)$ . Hence, as  $\text{CAR}_{\Theta_1}(\alpha(z)) \simeq \text{CAR}_{\Theta_2}(z)$ , to prove the statement, it is enough to see that  $\text{CAR}_\Theta(z)$  are nonisomorphic for different  $z$  with  $(m, r) \in \{(0, 2), (1, 1), (2, 0)\}$ . But for  $(m, r) = (0, 2), (1, 1), (2, 0)$ ,  $\text{CAR}_\Theta(z)$  is isomorphic to

$$\text{Cl}_{2n-4} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_\theta^2), \quad \text{Cl}_{2n-4} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_\theta^2) \rtimes_{\beta_1} \mathbb{Z}_2, \quad \text{Cl}_{2n-4} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_\theta^2) \rtimes_{(\beta_1 \times \beta_2)} \mathbb{Z}_2^2$$

respectively. Thus Lemma 8.5 concludes the proof. □

A matrix  $P = (p_{i,j})_{i,j=1}^n \in M_n$  is called a signed permutation matrix if there exists  $(\sigma, b) \in S_n \times \{0, 1\}^n$  such that  $p_{i,j} = (-1)^{b_i} \delta_{j, \sigma(i)}$ . We are now ready to prove our main results.

**Theorem 8.8.** *Let  $\Theta_1$  and  $\Theta_2$  be irrational  $n \times n$ -matrices.*

- (i) *If  $P$  is a signed permutation matrix,  $\Theta_1 = P\Theta_2P^t$  implies  $\text{CAR}_{\Theta_1} \simeq \text{CAR}_{\Theta_2}$ .*
- (ii) *If  $\text{CAR}_{\Theta_1} \simeq \text{CAR}_{\Theta_2}$ , then  $(\Theta_2)_{i,j} = \pm(\Theta_1)_{\sigma(i,j)} \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}$  for a bijection  $\sigma$  of the set  $\{(i, j) \mid i < j, i, j = 1, \dots, n\}$ .*

*Proof.* (i) If  $P$  is a signed permutation matrix which corresponds to a signed permutation  $(\sigma, b) \in S_n \times \{1, *\}^n$ , then the corresponding isomorphism is given by  $\psi_P(a_i) = a_{\sigma(i)}^{b_i}$ .

(ii) Let  $z$  be the unique element of  $Z_{\Theta_2}$  such that  $\pi(z) = \frac{1}{2}(\delta_i + \delta_j)$ ,  $i < j$ . Since  $\text{face}(z) = (n - 2, 0, 2)$ , by Lemma 8.7,  $\text{face}(\alpha(z)) = (n - 2, 0, 2)$  and hence  $\alpha(z) = \frac{1}{2}(\delta_k + \delta_l)$ , where  $(k, l) = \sigma(i, j)$  for a bijection  $\sigma$  of the set  $\{(i, j) \mid i < j, i, j = 1, \dots, n\}$ . Thus

$$\text{CAR}_{\Theta_2}(z) \simeq \text{Cl}_{2n-4} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{(\Theta_2)_{i,j}}^2) \simeq \text{CAR}_{\Theta_1}(\alpha(z)) \simeq \text{Cl}_{2n-4} \otimes C(\mathbb{T}_{(\Theta_1)_{\sigma(i,j)}}^2),$$

and by [12, Thm. 3],  $(\Theta_2)_{i,j} = \pm(\Theta_1)_{\sigma(i,j)} \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}$ . □

For  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ , write simply  $\text{CAR}_\theta$  for  $\text{CAR}_\Theta$  if  $n = 2$  and  $\Theta_{1,2} = \theta$ . In this case, we have the full classification similar to the classification of two-dimensional non-commutative tori.

**Corollary 8.9.** *If  $\theta_1, \theta_2$  are irrational numbers, then  $\text{CAR}_{\theta_1} \simeq \text{CAR}_{\theta_2}$  if and only if  $\theta_1 = \pm\theta_2 \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}$ .*

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