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Let $\{e_i; i = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...\}$ be a family of projections with the property; (a) $e_i e_{i\pm 1} e_1 = \lambda e_i$ for some $\lambda \le 1$, (b) $e_i e_j = e_j e_i$ for $|i - j| \ge 2$, (c) the von Neumann algebra M generated by the family $\{e_i; i = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...\}$ is a hyperfinite II₁-factor with the trace tr and (d) tr $(we_i) = \lambda$ tr(w) if w is a word on 1 and e_j $(j \le i - 1)$. Let N be a von Neumann algebra generated by $\{e_i; i = \pm 1, \pm 2, ...\}$. Then N is a subfactor of M. If $\lambda = (1/4) \sec^2(\pi/m)$ for some integer m $(m \ge 3)$, then $N' \cap M = C1$ and the index $[M:N] = (m/4) \csc^2(\pi/m)$.

1. Introduction. The index theory for finite factors was introduced by Jones in [3]. In that paper, the following sequence $\{e_i; i = 1, 2, ...\}$ of projections plays an important role:

(a) $e_i e_{i\pm 1} e_i = \lambda e_i$ for some $\lambda \leq 1$,

(b) $e_i e_j = e_j e_i$ for $|i - j| \ge 2$,

(c) the von Neumann algebra P generated by $\{e_i; i = 1, 2, ...\}$ is a hyperfinite II₁-factor,

(d) $tr(we_i) = \lambda tr(w)$ if w is a word on $1, e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{i-1}$, where tr is the canonical trace of P and 1 is the identity operator.

If Q is the subfactor of P generated by $\{e_i; i = 2, 3, ...\}$, then the index [P:Q] of Q in P is $1/\lambda$. In the case $\lambda > 1/4$, Q has trivial relative commutant in P and $[P:Q] = 4\cos^2(\pi/m)$ for some m = 3, 4, ... Hence by his basic construction, we have the family $\{e_i; i = ..., -2, -1, 0-, 1, 2, ...\}$ of projections with the properties (a), (b), (c') and (d');

(c') $\{e_i; i = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...\}$ generates a hyperfinite II₁ factor M,

(d') $\operatorname{tr}(we_i) = \lambda \operatorname{tr}(w)$ for the trace tr of M if w is a word on 1 and $\{e_j; j < i\}$ (cf. [5]).

We shall call this family $\{e_i; i = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...\}$ the Jones' two sided sequence of projections for λ . The main purpose of this note is to show the following theorem.

THEOREM. Let $\{e_i; i = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...\}$ be the Jones' two sided sequence of projections for $\lambda = (1/4)\sec^2(\pi/m)$ for some m (m = 3, 4, ...). If M (resp. N) is the von Neumann algebra generated by $\{e_i; i = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...\}$ (resp. $\{e_i; i = \pm 1, \pm 2, ...\}$), then N is a subfactor of M with the index

$$[M:N] = (m/4)\operatorname{cosec}^2(\pi/m),$$

and the relative commutant of N in M is trivial, that is, $N' \cap M = \mathbb{C}1$.

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2. Notations and preliminaries. Let B be a subfactor of a II₁-factor A. Then Jones defined in [3] the index [A:B] of B in A using the coupling constants of A and B due to Murray and von Neumann ([4]) and he (and also, Pimsner-Popa in [5]) gives some methods to get the number [A:B]. In [6], Wenzl gets another method to compute [A:B] in the case where those factors are σ -weak closures of the union of increasing sequences of finite dimensional algebras, which satisfy some good conditions.

In this note, we shall use the results in [6] to give a proof of Theorem.

(2.1) Let A be a finite dimensional von Neumann algebra. Then A is decomposed into a direct sum $\sum_{i=1}^{m} \oplus A_i$ of a(i) by a(i) matrix algebra A_i . The vector a = (a(i)) is called the *dimension vector* of A, following Wenzl [6]. Each trace ϕ on the algebra A is determined by a column vector w = (w(i)) which satisfies $\phi(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} w(i) \operatorname{Tr}(x_i)$ for $x \in A$, where $x = \sum \oplus x_i$ $(x_i \in A_i)$ and Tr is the usual nonnormalized trace on the matrix algebra. The row vector w is called the weight vector of the trace ϕ . Let B be a von Neumann subalgebra of A with direct summand $B = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \oplus B_i$ of b(i) by b(i) matrix algebras B_i . The inclusion of B in A is specified up to conjugacy by an n by m matrix $[g_{i,j}]$, where $g_{i,j}$ is the number of simple components of a simple A_j module viewed as a B_i module. The matrix $[g_{i,j}]$ is called the *inclusion matrix* of B in A which we denote by $[B \to A]$. Let b = (b(i)) be the dimension vector of B and v the weight vector of the restriction of ϕ of B, then

(e) $b[B \rightarrow A] = a$ and $[B \rightarrow A]w = v$.

(2.2) Let $\{e_i; i = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...\}$ be Jones' two sided sequence of projections for λ ($\lambda \le 1$). A reduced word is a word on e_i 's of minimal length for the rules (a), (b) and $e_i^2 \leftrightarrow e_i$. As a trivial consequence of Jones' method in [3], we have that the von Neumann algebra N generated by $\{e_i; i = \pm 1, \pm 2, ...\}$ is a subfactor of the hyperfinite II₁ factor M generated by $\{e_i; i = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, ...\}$.

(2.3) The factor M is the σ -weak closure of the union of the increasing sequence of the following von Neumann algebras $\{M_k; k = 1, 2, ...\}$:

$$M_1 = \mathbb{C}1, \quad M_{2m} = \{e_j; |j| \le m-1\}'', \quad M_{2m+1} = \{M_{2m}, e_m\}''.$$

The subfactor N of M is generated by the following increasing sequence of $\{N_k; k = 1, 2, ...\}$:

$$N_1 = N_2 = \mathbf{C}_1, \quad N_{2m} = \{e_j; 0 \neq |j| \le m - 1\}'', \quad N_{2m+1} = \{N_{2m}, e_m\}''.$$

The algebras M_k and N_k are all finite dimensional ([3]). We denote by a_k (resp. b_k) the dimension vector of M_k (resp. N_k). In the case where M_k is the direct sum of d_k matrix algebras, we say d_k is the length of the dimension vector a_k .

(2.4) Every N_k is a subalgebra of M_k . Let E(B) be the conditional expectation of M onto the von Neumann subalgebra B of M conditioned by tr(xE(B)(y)) = tr(xy) for $x \in B$ and $y \in M$.

LEMMA 1. $E(N_{k+1})E(M_k) = E(N_k)$ and $E(N)E(M_k) = E(N_k)$ for all k.

Proof. Since $E(N_{k+1})E(M_k) = E(N_k)$ if and only if $E(N_{k+1})E(M_K) = E(N_{k+1})E(N_k)E(M_k)$, it is sufficient to prove that $tr(yE(N_{k+1})(x)) = tr(yE(N_k)(x))$, for $x \in M_k$, $y \in N_{k+1}$. Every reduced word $y \in N_{2m+1}$ has a form $y = vw_1e_mw_2$, where v is a reduced form on $\{e_i; i = -m + 1, -m + 2, ..., -1\}$ and w_i (i = 1, 2) is a reduced word on $\{e_i; i = 1, 2, ..., m - 1\}$. Let w be a reduced word in M_{2m} ; then

$$tr(yE(N_{2m+1})(w)) = tr(yw) = \lambda tr(w_2wvw_1) = \lambda tr(E(N_{2m})(w)vw_1w_2) = tr(w_2E(N_{2m})(w)vw_1e_m) = tr(yE(N_{2m})(w)).$$

Since each algebra is generated by reduced words, $E(N_{2m+1})E(M_{2m})$ = $E(N_{2m})$. Similarly $E(N_{2m})E(M_{2m+1}) = E(N_{2m-1})$. Since $E(N_{k+1})E(M_k) = E(N_{k+i})E(M_{k+i-1})E(M_k) = E(N_{k+i-1})E(M_k) =$ $\cdots = E(M_k)$, $E(N)E(M_k) = E(M_k)$ for all k.

(2.5) Let (A_k) and (B_k) be sequences of finite dimensional von Neumann algebras such that $B_k \subset A_k$ for all k. Following after [6], we write $(A_k)_k \supset (B_k)_k$ if $(A_k)_k$ (resp. $(B_k)_k$) generates a II₁-factor A (resp. a subfactor B of A) and satisfies the property of Lemma 1. So,

by (c'), (2.2) and Lemma 2, we have $(N_k)_k \subset (M_k)_k$. Such a sequence (M_k) is said to be *periodic* with period r if there is a number m such that $[M_{n+r} \rightarrow M_{n+r+i}] = [M_n \rightarrow M_{n+i}]$ for $n \ge m$ (i = 1, 2, ...) and the matrix $[M_n \rightarrow M_{n+r}]$ is primitive for $n \ge m$. The sequences $(M_k)_k \supset (N_k)_k$ is *periodic* if both (M_k) and (N_k) are periodic with same period r and $[N_{n+r} \rightarrow M_{n+r}] = [N_n \rightarrow M_n]$ for a large enough n ([6]). In Section 6, we show the periodicity of $(N_k)_k \subset (M_k)_k$.

3. Bratteli diagram for $(M_k)_k$ and path maps. For convenience' sake, throughout we put

(3.1) for a positive integer k, $p = \lfloor k/2 \rfloor$ and q = k - p.

In this section, we shall get, for the sequence (M_k) in (2.3), the components of the inclusion matrix $[M_q \to M_k]$, which we need to obtain the inclusion matrix $[N_k \to M_k]$. Let $A_k = \{1, e_1, \ldots, e_k\}''$. Then M_k is *-isomorphic to A_{k-1} for $k \ge 2$. On the other hand there is a unitary u in M_{2m} which satisfies $ue_iu^* = e_{-i}$ and $ue_{-i}u^* = e_i$ for all $i = 0, 1, \ldots, m - 1$ ([3]). Hence $[M_k \to M_{k+1}] = [A_{k-1} \to A_k]$ for all $k \ge 2$. It is clear that $[M_1 \to M_2]$ is the 1 by 2 matrix [1, 1]. In [3], Jones gets the Bratteli diagram ([1]) for the sequence (A_k) and so we get the Bratteli diagram for (M_k) . The dimension vector a_k of M_k , the length d_k of a_k and the weight vector w_k of the restriction of tr on M_k are as follows:

(3.2) If $\lambda \leq 1/4$, then

$$d_{k} = p + 1,$$

$$a_{k}(i) = \begin{cases} \binom{k}{p+1-i} - \binom{k}{p-i} & \text{if } i = 1, 2, \dots, d_{k} - 1, \\ 1 & \text{if } i = d_{k}, \end{cases}$$

$$w_k(i) = \lambda^{p+1-i} P_{k-1-2p+2i}(\lambda),$$

where P_j is the polynomial defined in [3] by $P_1(x) = P_2(x) = 1$ and $P_{n+1}(x) = P_n(x) - xP_{n-1}(x)$.

$$[M_k \to M_{k+1}] = [\delta_{i,j} + \delta_{i+1,j}]_{i,j}, \text{ for Kronecker's } \delta_{i,j},$$

where $i = 1, 2, \dots, [(k+1)/2] + 1$ and

$$j = \begin{cases} 1, 2, \dots, [(k+1)/2] + 1 & \text{if } k \text{ is even} \\ 1, 2, \dots, (k+3)/2 & \text{if } k \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

(3.3) If $\lambda > 1/4$, then $\lambda = (1/4)\sec^2(\pi/n+2)$ for some n = 1, 2, ...The Blatteri diagram for $M_1 \subset M_2 \subset \cdots \subset M_n$ has the same form as in the case of $\lambda \le 1/4$ and the diagram for $M_{n+2i-1} \subset M_{n+2i}$ (resp. $M_{n+2i} \subset M_{n+2i-1}$) is the same as the one for $M_{n-1} \subset M_n$ (resp. the reverse form of one for $M_{n-1} \subset M_n$), for all i = 0, 1, 2, ...

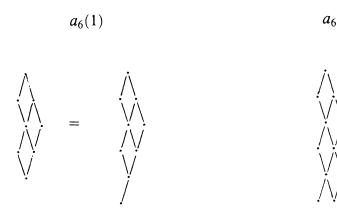
Now we consider the Bratteli diagram for $(M_k)_k$ as a graph Λ , the set of vertices of which is the set of points where $a_k(i)$ (k = 1, 2, ..., i =1, 2, ..., d_k) stand. We denote the vertex in Λ corresponding to $a_k(i)$ by the same notation $a_k(i)$. We denote by $[a_k(i) \rightarrow a_{k+1}(j)]$ the edge from $a_k(i)$ to $a_{k+1}(j)$. A path on Λ is a sequence $\xi = (\xi_r)$ of edges such that $\xi_r = [a_{k(r)}(i_r) \rightarrow a_{k(r)+1}(j_r)]$ for some i_r , j_r and k(r) such that k(r+1) = k(r) + 1. The set of all paths in Λ with the starting point $a_k(i)$ and the ending point $a_r(j)$ is called a polygon from the vertex $a_k(i)$ to the vertex $a_r(j)$ and denoted by $[a_k(i) \rightarrow a_r(j)]$. Also the set of all paths in Λ with $a_k(i)$ as the starting point and for some $j a_r(j)$ as the ending point is called a *path map from the vertex* $a_k(i)$ to the floor a_r and denoted by $[a_k(i) \rightarrow a_r]$. Let Ξ_m be the set of paths on A consisting of m edges. For a ξ in Ξ_1 and y in Ξ_m let $\xi \circ y = \{\xi \circ \eta; \eta \in y\}$. Let $x \in \Xi_m$ be a polygon. If there are polygons y and z in Ξ_{m-1} such that as sets of paths x is either the union of $\xi \circ y$ and $\eta \circ z$ or the union of $y \circ \xi$ and $z \circ \eta$ for some ξ and η in Ξ_1 , we say x is the direct sum of y and z and we write $x = y \oplus z$ for $y = x \ominus z$.

REMARK 2. The *i*th coordinate $a_k(i)$ of the dimension vector a_k represents a cardinal number of different paths in the polygon $[a_1(1) \rightarrow a_k(i)]$. Below, we consider $a_k(i)$ as the polygon $[a_1(1) \rightarrow a_k(i)]$ and the dimension vector a_k as the path map $[a_1(1) \rightarrow a_k]$. Also, for path map $x = (x(1), \ldots, x(m))$, we denote by the same notation x the path map $(x(1), \ldots, x(m), 0, \ldots, 0)$. We shall identify two polygons or path maps if they are same as figures.

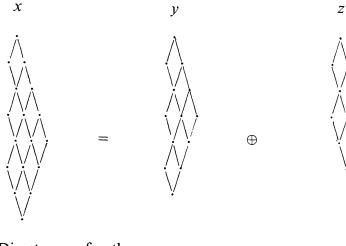
Under such identification, we define the direct sum of path maps. Let x = (x(1), ..., x(h)), y = (y(1), ..., y(m)) and z = (z(1), ..., z(n)) be path maps. If $h = \max\{h, m, n\}$ and x(i) = y(i) + z(i) for every polygon $\{x(i), y(i), z(i)\}$, we say x is the *direct sum* of y and z, and we write $x = y \oplus z$.

REMARK 3. If we use the method of path model in [4], a polygon corresponds to a matrix algebra and a path map corresponds to a multi-matrix algebra.

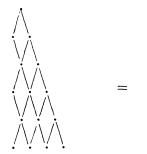
EXAMPLE. (1) The polygon $a_6(1) = (a_1(1) \rightarrow a_6(1))$ and the path map $a_6 = (a_1(1) \rightarrow a_6)$ are as follows in the case of either $\lambda \le 1/4$ or $n \ge 6$:



(2) Let $x \in \Xi_7$, $y \in \Xi_6$ and $Z \in \Xi_6$ be polygons, then $x = y \oplus z$ are as follows:



(3) Direct sum of path maps.



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Now we discuss the inclusion matrix $[M_q \to M_k]$. It is obvious that the (i, j)-component of $[M_q \to M_k]$ means the cardinal number of $[a_q(i) \to a_k(j)]$. Hence the *i*th row vector x_i of $[M_q \to M_k]$ is considered as the path map $[a_q(i) \to a_k]$.

Under the identification of vectors and path maps, we define the polynomials $f_i(m)$ of path maps on Λ by

$$f_i(0) = a_i$$
, $f_i(1) = a_{i+1}$ and $f_i(m+1) = f_{i+1}(m) \ominus f_i(m-1)$.

Then for all positive integers *i* and *m*, $f_i(2m)$ (resp. $f_i(2m+1)$) is a polynomial on path maps $\{a_{i+2j}; j = 0, 1, 2, ..., m\}$ (resp. $\{a_{i+2j+1}; j = 0, 1, 2, ..., m\}$ with positive integers as coefficients.

LEMMA 4. Let x_i be the *i*th row vector of the inclusion matrix $[M_q \rightarrow M_k]$, for a triplet $\{k, p, q\}$ in (3.1). Then, the path map x_i is as follows for all i $(i = 1, 2, ..., d_q)$;

$$x_i = \begin{cases} f_p(2i-2) & \text{if } q \text{ is even,} \\ f_p(2i-1) & \text{if } q \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$

under the identification for vectors that $(y(1), \ldots, y(m), 0, \ldots, 0) = (y(1), \ldots, y(m))$ for $y(j) \neq 0$ $(j = 1, \ldots, m)$.

Proof. Since the path map x_1 is $(a_q(1) \rightarrow a_k)$, it is clear by the shape of graph Λ that

$$x_1 = \begin{cases} a_{p+1} = f_p(1) & \text{if } q \text{ is odd,} \\ a_p = f_p(0) & \text{if } q \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

Suppose the statements are true for all $j \leq i$. As a path map, we have

$$x_{i+1} = [a_q(i+1) \to a_k] = \begin{cases} [a_{2i}(i+1) \to a_{p+2i}] & \text{if } q \text{ is even,} \\ [a_{2i+1}(i+1) \to a_{p+2i+1}] & \text{if } q \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$

by sliding up the line combining $a_q(1)$ and $a_q(i+1)$ as possible. Then the assumptions of the induction means that

$$[a_{2(i-1)}(i) \to a_{p+2i-2}] = f_p(2i-2)$$

and

$$[a_{2(i-1)+1}(i) \to a_{p+2(i-1)+1}] = f_p(2i-1).$$

Since

$$[a_{2i}(i) \rightarrow a_{p+2i}] \oplus [a_{2i}(i+1) \rightarrow a_{p+2i}] = [a_{2i-1}(i) \rightarrow a_{p+2i}],$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} [a_{2i}(i+1) \to a_{p+2i}] &= [a_{2i-1}(i) \to a_{p+2i}] \ominus [a_{2i}(i) \to a_{p+2i}] \\ &= [a_{2(i-1)+1}(i) \to a_{p+1+2(i-1)}] \ominus [a_{2(i-1)}(i) \to a_{p+2(i-1)}] \\ &= f_{p+1}(2i-1) \ominus f_p(2i-2) = f_p(2i). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$[a_{2i+1}(i) \to a_{p+2i+1}] \oplus [a_{2i+1}(i+1) \to a_{p+2i+1}] = [a_{2i}(i+1) \to a_{p+2i+1}].$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} & [a_{2i+1}(i+1) \to a_{p+2i+1}] \\ &= [a_{2i}(i+1) \to a_{p+1+2i}] \ominus [a_{2(i-1)+1}(i) \to a_{p+2(i-1)+1}] \\ &= f_{p+1}(2i) \ominus f_P(2i-1) = f_p(2i+1). \end{aligned}$$

Thus $x_{i+1} = f_p(2i)$ if q is even and $x_{i+1} = f_p(2(i+1)-1)$ if q is odd.

4. Bratteli diagram for $(N_k)_k$. Let (N_k) be the sequence in (2.3). Let $N_k(+) = \{e_i \in N_k; j \ge 1\}''$ and $N_k(-) = \{e_j \in N_k; j \le -1\}''$. Then N_k is generated by the commuting pair $N_k(+)$ and $N_K(-)$. For a triplet $\{k, p, q\}$ in (3.1), $N_k(+)$ is isomorphic to M_q and $N_k(-)$ is isomorphic to M_p . Two dimension vectors and weight vectors of a finite dimensional von Neumann algebra are respectively conjugate by an inner automorphism. We may take a dimension vector b_k of N_k and the weight vector u_k for the restriction of the trace tr of M to N_k as

(4.1)
$$b_k = (a_p(1)a_q, a_p(2)a_q, \dots, a_p(d_p)a_q)$$

and

(4.2)
$${}^{t}u_{k} = (t_{p}(1)^{t}w_{q}, t_{p}(2)^{t}w_{q}, \dots, t_{p}(d_{p})^{t}w_{q}),$$

where ${}^{t}y$ denotes the transposed vector of the vector y. Since we obtained the inclusion matrices for (M_k) in (3.1),

(4.3)
$$[N_k \to N_{k+1}] = \begin{cases} I_p \otimes [M_p \to M_{p+1}] & \text{if } k \text{ is odd,} \\ [M_p \to M_{p+1}] \otimes I_q & \text{if } k \text{ is even,} \end{cases}$$

where I_k denotes the d_k by d_k identity matrix. It is easy to check that $[N_k \rightarrow N_{k+1}]$ satisfies the property (e) for b_k and u_k . The Bratteli diagram for (N_k) comes from the diagram for (M_k) following after the above information.

In the case $\lambda = (1/4)\sec^2(\pi/n+2)$ for some $n \ (n = 1, 2, ...)$, the diagram for $N_1 = N_2 \subset N_3 \subset \cdots \subset N_{2n}$ has the same form as in the

case $\lambda \leq 1/4$, the diagram for $N_{2n+4i-2} \subset N_{2n+4i-1}$ (resp. $N_{2n+4i-1} \subset N_{2n+4i}$) is similar to one for $N_{2n-2} \subset N_{2n-1}$ (resp. $N_{2n-1} \subset N_{2n}$) and the diagram for $N_{2n+4i} \subset N_{2n+4i+1}$ (resp. $N_{2n+4i+1} \subset N_{2n+4i+2}$) has the reverse form of order changed one for $N_{2n-1} \subset N_{2n}$ (resp. $N_{2n-2} \subset N_{2n}$).

5. Inclusion matrix of N_k in M_k . Let $\{k, p, q\}$ be a triplet in (3.1). Let $x_i(j)$ be the (i, j)-component of $[M_q \to M_k]$ and x_i the *i*th column vector of $[M_q \to M_k]$. Here we consider x(i, j) and x_i as a polygon and a path map in Ξ_p . By Lemma 4, the polygon $x_i(j)$ can be decomposed into the direct sum of polygons $\{a_{p+j}(i); j = 0, 1, \ldots, i = 1, 2, \ldots, d_p\}$. Then we define the matrix $[a_p \to x_i] = [h(j, k)]$ such that h(j, k) is the number that $a_p(j)$ is contained in $x_i(k)$. We call the matrix $[a_p \to x_i]$ the *inclusion matrix of the path map* a_p *in the path map* x_i .

REMARK 5. Let x, y and z be path maps on Λ such that $[x \to y]$ and $[x \to z]$ are defined. Then, by the definition of the direct sum of path maps and the inclusion matrix for path maps, the matrix $[x \to (y \oplus z)]$ is defined and

$$[x \to (y \oplus z)] = [x \to y] + [x \to z].$$

By this property and Lemma 4, the inclusion matrix $[a_p \rightarrow x_i]$ of the path map a_p in the path map x_i is defined from the inclusion matrices $[M_p \rightarrow M_r]$ $(r \ge p)$ by the natural method.

LEMMA 6. Let $\lambda = (1/4)\sec^2(\pi/n+2)$ and $p \ge n-1$. (1) If n is odd and p is even, then

$$[a_p \to f_p(m)](i,j)$$

$$= \begin{cases} 1, & -\left[\frac{m}{2}\right] \le i - j \le \left[\frac{m+1}{2}\right], & \left[\frac{m}{2}\right] + 2 \le i + j \le 2\left[\frac{n}{2}\right] - \left[\frac{m-1}{2}\right], \\ 0, & otherwise. \end{cases}$$

If n is odd and p is odd, then

$$[a_p \to f_p(m)](i, j)$$

$$= \begin{cases} 1, & -\left[\frac{m+1}{2}\right] \le i - j \le \left[\frac{m}{2}\right], \ 1 + \left[\frac{m-1}{2}\right] \le i + j \le 2\left[\frac{n}{2}\right] - \left[\frac{m}{2}\right], \\ 0, \quad otherwise. \end{cases}$$

(2) If n is even and p is odd, then

$$[a_p \to f_p(m)](i, j) = \begin{cases} 1, & -\left[\frac{m+1}{2}\right] \le i - j \le \left[\frac{m}{2}\right], 1 + \left[\frac{m+1}{2}\right] \le i + j \le 2\left[\frac{n}{2}\right] - \left[\frac{m}{2}\right], \\ 0, & otherwise. \end{cases}$$

If n is even and p is even, then

$$[a_p \to f_p(m)](i, j) = \begin{cases} 1, & -\left[\frac{m}{2}\right] \le i - j \le \left[\frac{m+1}{2}\right], & \left[\frac{m}{2}\right] + 2 \le i + j \le 2\left[\frac{n}{2}\right] - \left[\frac{m+1}{2}\right], \\ 0, & otherwise. \end{cases}$$

Proof. It is sufficient to prove the statement for p = n-1 and p = n, because $f_p(m)$ is the polynomial on $\{a_{p+j}; j = \lfloor m/2 \rfloor, j \text{ is odd (resp. even)}\}$ if m is odd (resp. even) and $[a_p \to a_{p+j}] = \lfloor a_{p+2} \to a_{p+2+j} \rfloor$ for all $p \ge n-1$ and j. Since $f_p(1) = a_{p+1}$, it is clear that $\lfloor a_p \to f_p(1) \rfloor$ satisfies the conditions for all n and p. For a given n, assume that the statements hold for p = n - 1, n and $m = 1, 2, \dots, k$. Then we can give a proof of the statements for p = n - 1, n and m = k + 1 by the relation;

$$[a_p \to f_p(k+1)] = [a_p \to a_{p+1}][a_{p+1} \to f_{p+1}(k)] - [a_p \to f_p(k-1)]$$

and

$$[a_{n+1} \to f_{n+1}(k)] = [a_{n-1} \to f_{n-1}(k)].$$

LEMMA 7. Let $\lambda = (1/4)\sec^2(\pi/n+2)$ and x_i the *i*th column vector of $[M_q \rightarrow M_k]$. Assume $q \ge n$.

(1) If n is odd, then $[a_p \rightarrow x_i]$ is a $(1 + \lfloor n/2 \rfloor)$ square matrix with the following form:

(5.1) If p = q is an odd number, then

$$[a_p \rightarrow x_i](j,r) = \begin{cases} 1, & 1-i \le r-j \le i < j+r \le n+2-i, \\ 0, & otherwise. \end{cases}$$

(5.2) If p + 1 = q is even, then

$$[a_p \to x_i](j,r) = \begin{cases} 1, & |r-j| < i \le j+r \le n+2-i, \\ 0, & otherwise. \end{cases}$$

(5.3) If p = q is even, then

$$[a_p \to x_i](j,r) = \begin{cases} 1, & |r-j| < i < j+r \le n+3-i, \\ 0, & otherwise. \end{cases}$$

(5.4) If p + 1 = q is odd, then

$$[a_p \to x_i](j,r) = \begin{cases} 1, & -i \le r - j < i < j + r \le n + 2 - i, \\ 0, & otherwise. \end{cases}$$

(2) Let *n* be even.

(6.1) If p = q is odd, then $[a_p \rightarrow x_i]$ is an n/2 by 1 + (n/2) matrix with

$$[a_p \to x_i](j,r) = \begin{cases} 1, & 1-i \le r-j \le i < j+r \le n+2-i, \\ 0, & otherwise. \end{cases}$$

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$$[a_p \to x_i](j,r) = \begin{cases} 1, & -i \le r - j < i < j + r \le n + 2 - i, \\ 0, & otherwise. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Let *n* be odd. Then $d_j = d_{n-1}$ for all $j \ge n-1$. Since $d_{n-1} = \lfloor n/2 \rfloor + 1$, $\lfloor M_q \to M_k \rfloor$ is a $1 + \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$ square matrix. It means that a_j $(j \ge n-1)$ and each x_i are path maps consisting of $1 + \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$ polygons in Ξ_{p+1} . Similarly, if *n* is even, then a_j is a path map with $\lfloor n/2 \rfloor$ (resp. $\lfloor n/2 \rfloor + 1$) polygons for odd (resp. even) $j \ge n-1$. Hence x_i is a path map with $\lfloor n/2 \rfloor$ (resp. $\lfloor n/2 \rfloor + 1$) polygons if *k* is odd (resp. even). Therefore by Lemma 5 and Lemma 7, the statements hold.

LEMMA 8. For the weight vector w_k of the restriction of tr to M_k , we have

$$[a_p \to x_i]w_k = w_q(i)w_p \qquad (i = 1, 2, \dots, d_q).$$

Proof. We denote the matrix $[[a_p \rightarrow a_{p+i}], 0, ..., 0]$ by the same notation $[a_p \rightarrow a_{p+i}]$, where 0 is the column vector with all components 0. Then by the Bratteli diagram for (M_k) , we have for all $i \ (i = 0, 1, ...)$

$$[a_p \rightarrow a_{p+i}]w_k = \lambda^{n(i)}w_p$$
 for $n(i) = \left[\frac{q}{2}\right] - \left[\frac{i}{2}\right]$.

Since x_i is given by the polynomials on $\{a_{p+j}; j = 0, 1, ...\}$ by Lemma 4, we have the statement by Lemma 5, (3.2) and the relation between the polynomial f_i 's and P_i 's, because

$$w_k(i) = \lambda^{p+1-i} P_{k-1-2p+2i}(\lambda),$$

where P_j is the polynomial defined in [3] by $P_1(x) = P_2(x) = 1$ and $P_{n+1}(x) = P_n(x) - xP_{n-1}(x)$.

Let G_k be the $d_p d_q$ by d_k matrix, the $(d_q(j-1)+i)$ th row vector of which is the *j*th row vector of the matrix $[a_p \rightarrow x_i]$, where $i = 1, 2, ..., d_q$, $j = 1, 2, ..., d_p$. That is, the transposed matrix tG_k of G_k is as follows;

$${}^{t}G_{k} = [G[1]_{1}, G[2]_{1}, \dots, G[d_{q}]_{1}, G[1]_{2}, \dots, G[d_{q}]_{2}, \dots, G[d_{q}]_{d_{p}}, \dots, G[d_{q}]_{d_{p}}],$$

where $G[i]_j$ is the transposed vector of the *j*th row vector of $[a_p \rightarrow x_i]$.

LEMMA 9. The matrix G_k satisfies the following:

 $b_k G_k = a_k, \quad G_k w_k = u_k \& G_k [M_k \to M_{k+1}] = [N_k \to N_{k+1}] G_{k+1},$

where a_k , b_k are dimension vectors of M_k , N_k and W_k , u_k are weight vectors of M_k , N_k .

Proof. Since $a_q[M_q \to M_k] = a_k$, we have, by the relation (4.1),

$$b_k G_k = \sum_i a_q(i) a_p[a_p \to x_i] = \sum_i a_q(i) x_i = a_k,$$

where *i* runs over $\{1, 2, ..., d_q\}$.

Lemma 6 implies that $G_k w_k = u_k$, combining the definition of G_k and (4.2).

If $\lambda > 1/4$ and $k \ge 2n$, by Lemma 7, we have $G_k[M_k \to M_{k+1}] = [N_k \to N_{k+1}]G_{k+1}$. For another case, we need a similar lemma as Lemma 7. Below we do not need such cases. Hence we omit the proof of such cases.

Thus we can get a method of inclusion of N_k in M_k . Hence we denote G_k by $[N_k \rightarrow M_k]$.

6. Periodicity of $(N_k)_k \subset (M_k)_k$ in the case $\lambda > 1/4$. In this section, we assume that $\lambda = (1/4)\sec^2 \pi/(n+2)$ for some $n \ (n = 1, 2, ...)$.

LEMMA 10. The sequence (M_k) is periodic with period 2 and the sequence (N_k) is periodic with period 4.

Proof. Combining the discussions in (2.5) in §3 with results in [2], we have that the sequence (M_k) is periodic with period 2. The fact implies that (N_k) is periodic with period 4, by the Bratteli diagram for (N_k) .

LEMMA 11. Let x_i (resp. y_i) be the *i*th row vector of $[M_q \rightarrow M_k]$ (resp. $[M_{q+2} \rightarrow M_{k+4}]$). If $q \ge n$, then

$$[a_p \rightarrow x_i] = [a_{p+2} \rightarrow y_i] \qquad (i = 1, 2, \dots, d_q).$$

Proof. First we remark that both $[M_q \to M_k]$ and $[M_{q+2} \to M_{k+4}]$ are d_q by d_k matrices, because (M_k) is periodic with period 2 and $[M_{q+2} \to M_{k+4}] = [M_q \to M_k][M_k \to M_{k+2}]$. Since p = [k/2] and q = k - p, we have p + 2 = [(k + 4)/2] and q + 2 = k + 4 - (p + 2), that is, $\{k + 4, p + 2, q + 2\}$ satisfies (3.1). Hence $x_i = f_p(2i - 2)$ (resp. $x_i = f_p(2i - 1)$) if and only if $y_i = f_{p+2}(2i - 2)$ (resp. $f_{p+2}(2i - 1)$). By the definition, $f_j(2m)$ (resp. $f_j(2m + 1)$) is a linear combination on $\{a_j, a_{j+2}, \ldots, a_{j+2m}\}$ (resp. $\{a_{j+1}, a_{j+3}, \ldots, a_{j+2m+1}\}$) with integer coefficients. Therefore, by Remark 5, we have $[a_p \to x_i] = [a_{p+2} \to y_i]$, because (M_k) is periodic with period 2.

LEMMA 12. The sequence $(N_k) \subset (M_k)$ is periodic.

Proof. We already proved that both (M_k) and (N_k) are periodic with same period 4. Hence it is sufficient to prove that

$$[N_k \to M_k] = [N_{k+4} \to M_{k+4}] \quad \text{for } k \ge 2n.$$

By the form of the matrix $[N_k \to M_k] = G_k$, it is nothing else but Lemma 11. Thus $(N_k) \subset (M_k)$ is periodic.

7. Proof of Theorem.

LEMMA 13. If
$$\lambda = (1/4)\sec^2(\pi/m)$$
 for some m $(m = 3, 4, ...)$, then
 $[M:N] = (m/4)\csc^2(\pi/m).$

Proof. The factors M and N are generated by the periodic sequences $(N_k) \subset (M_k)$ of finite dimensional algebras. Hence, by [6, Theorem 1.5], for the weight vectors w_k and u_k of the restriction tr to M_k and N_k , we have that $[M:N] = ||u_k||_2^2/||w_k||_2^2$ for a large enough k. By (4.2),

$$||u_k||_2^2 = ||w_p||_2^2 ||w_q||_2^2$$
 for a $\{k, p, q\}$ in (3.1).

Put n = m - 2. Then we have

$$[M:N] = \|u_k\|_2^2 / \|w_k\|_2^2 \quad \text{for all } k \ge n-1.$$

Since $\|w_k\|_2^2 / \|w_{k+2}\|_2^2 = 1/\lambda$ for all $k \ge n-1$,
 $[M:N] = \|w_{n-1}\|_2^4 / \|w_{2(n-1)}\|_2^2 = \|w_{n-1}\|_2^2 / \lambda^{n-1}.$

By the discussion in 3,

$$\|w_{n-1}\|_2^2 = \sum_j \lambda^{2j} P_{n-2j}(\lambda)^2,$$

where j runs over $\left\{0, 1, \dots, \left[\frac{n-1}{2}\right]\right\}.$

On the other hand, by [3],

 $P_k((1/4)\sec^2\theta) = \sin k\theta/2^{k-1}\cos^{k-1}\theta\sin\theta$ for all k and θ . Hence

$$[M:N] = \frac{\sum_{j} \sin^{2}(n-2j)\pi/(n+2)}{\sin^{2}(\pi/(n+2))}$$

= $\frac{\sum_{j} \{2 - \exp(2(n-2j)/(n+2))\pi i - \exp(2(2j-n)/(n+2))\pi i\}}{4\sin^{2}(\pi/(n+2))}$
= $((n+2)/4)\operatorname{cosec}^{2}(\pi/(n+2)) = (m/4)\operatorname{cosec}^{2}(\pi/m),$

because $\sum_{j=1}^{k} \exp((j/k)2\pi i) = 0$, for all integer k.

REMARK. 14 (1) If m = 3 or 4, then [M:N] = [P:Q] for the subfactor $Q = \{e_i; i = 2, 3, ...\}''$ of the factor $P = \{e_i; i = 1, 2, ...\}''$. That is, [M:N] = 1 if m = 3 and [M:N] = 2 if m = 4.

(2) If $m \ge 5$, then $[M:N] \ne [P:Q]$. If m = 5, then [M:N] < 4. Hence there is an integer k ($k \ge 3$) such that $[M:N] = 4\cos^2(\pi/k)$. H. Choda gets the number k, that is k = 10. (Here the author thanks H. Choda for helping her by computing a lot of indices [M:N].) On the other hand, by the proof of Lemma 14,

$$[M:N] = 4\cos^2(\pi/3) + 4\cos^2(\pi/5).$$

This implies the following equation (the equation is proved by an elementary method, which M. Fujii tells us);

$$\cos^2(\pi/3) + \cos^2(\pi/5) = \cos^2(\pi/10).$$

The following lemma is an easy consequence of Skau's theorem ([7]). Here we shall denote another proof of it as an application of Lemma 7.

LEMMA 15. The relative commutant $N' \cap M$ of N in M is trivial.

Proof. Since [M: N] is finite, $N' \cap M$ is finite dimensional. Let c be the dimension vector of $N' \cap M$. Since $(M_k) \supset (N_k)$ is periodic, by [6, Theorem 1.7],

$$||c||_1 \le \alpha = \min\{||G[i]_j||_1; k \ge 2n, i = 1, 2, \dots, d_q, j = 1, 2, \dots, d_p\},\$$

where $G[i]_j$ is the vector in §5. By Lemma 8, there are many $\{i, j\}$'s such that ${}^tG[i]_j = (1, 0, ..., 0)$. It implies $\alpha = 1$. Hence $N' \cap M$ is 1-dimensional, so that $N' \cap M = \mathbb{C}1$.

8. A generalization. Fix a positive integer n. Let

$$L = \{\ldots, e_{-n-1}, e_{-n}, e_1, e_2, e_3, \ldots\}''.$$

In the case n = 1, L = N. It is clear that L is a subfactor of M, for all n. Also, L is a subfactor of N and $[N:L] = 4\cos^2(\pi/m)$. Hence

$$[M:L] = (m/4)\operatorname{cosec}^2(\pi/m) \{4\cos^2(\pi/m)\}^{n-1}$$

Let

$$L_1 = L_2 = \mathbf{C}_1, \quad L_{2i-1} = L_{2i} = \{e_i; i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1\}^n \text{ if } i \le n$$

and

$$L_{2i+1} = \{L_{2i}, e_i\}'', \quad L_{2i+2} = \{e_{-i}, L_{2i+1}\}'' \text{ if } i \ge n.$$

The sequence (L_k) is periodic with period 4 and generates L. By a similar method as for $(N_k) \subset (M_k)$, we get the inclusion matrix $[L_k \to M_k]$. For a triplet $\{k, p, q\}$ in (3.1), we consider the matrix $[a_{p-(n-1)} \to x_i]$ for a large k, where x_i is the same as in §3, that is the *i*th row vector of $[M_q \to M_k]$. Then $(N_k) \subset (M_k)$ is periodic. Let hbe the dimension vector of $L' \cap M$.

If q is even, then $x_1 = a_p$; hence $[a_{p-(n-1)} \rightarrow x_1] = [a_{p-(n-1)} \rightarrow a_p]$. If n = 2, we have $N' \cap M = \mathbb{C}1$, by the form of $[a_k \rightarrow a_{k+1}]$ for an odd k.

If $n \ge 3$, $\{e_{-n+2}, e_{-n+3}, \dots, e_{-1}\}''$ is contained in $L' \cap M$ and isomorphic to M_{n-1} . Hence we have

$$L' \cap M = \{e_{-n+2}, e_{-n+3}, \dots, e_{-1}\}''.$$

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