

ON AUTOMORPHISMS OF GENERALIZED CUNTZ ALGEBRAS

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1. X-APERIODICITY

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $X$  be a full right Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule of finite type. The  $C^*$ -algebra  $B$  is called to be  $X$ -aperiodic if for a non-zero positive element  $b$  of  $B$ , there exists  $\{x_{i,j}\} \subset X, j = 1, 2, \dots, m_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, l$  such that

$$\sum_{i(1), \dots, i(l)}^{m_1, \dots, m_l} \langle x_{i(l),l}, \dots \langle x_{i(2),2} \langle x_{i(1),1}, b x_{i(1),1}, \rangle_B x_{i(2),2}, \rangle_B \dots x_{i(l),l}, \rangle_B \quad (1.1)$$

is invertible.

Note that, by functional calculus, the above equations (1.1) may be equal to an identity operator for the definition of  $X$ -aperiodicity. It is defined in [3] that  $B$  is  $X$ -simple if any non-zero  $X$ -invariant ideal  $J$  of  $B$  (i.e.  $\langle x, Jy \rangle_B \subset J$  for  $x, y \in X$ ) must be the whole space  $B$ . It is clear that  $X$ -aperiodicity implies  $X$ -simplicity. Let  $\alpha$  be an automorphism of  $B$  and its associated imprimitivity Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule  ${}_\alpha B$  is  $B$  as a vector space with

$$a \cdot x \cdot b = \alpha(a)xb, \quad B \langle x, y \rangle = \alpha^{-1}(xy^*), \quad \langle x, y \rangle_B = x^*y \quad (1.2)$$

for  $a, b \in B$  and  $x, y \in {}_\alpha B$ . We note that the unital  $C^*$ -algebra  $B$  is  ${}_\alpha B$ -aperiodic if and only if  $B$  is simple (see Theorem 1.3). The notion of  $X$ -simple is related with its irreducible adjacent matrix in the case that  $B$  is finite abelian. The one of  $X$ -aperiodic is just related with its aperiodic adjacent matrix as follows.

Let  $X$  be full right Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule with finite dimensional abelian  $C^*$ -algebra  $B$ . Let  $\Sigma$  be a finite set such that  $C(\Sigma) = B$  and  $\{p_\tau\}_{\tau \in \Sigma}$  be all minimal projections of  $C(\Sigma)$ . as in [5]. We denote a matrix  $M$  by  $(a_{\sigma,\tau})_{\sigma,\tau \in \Sigma}$  where  $a_{\sigma,\tau} = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} p_\sigma X p_\tau$ . Let  $\{\xi_{\sigma,\tau,l} \in X : \sigma, \tau \in \Sigma \text{ with } a_{\sigma,\tau} \geq 1, 1 \leq l \leq a_{\sigma,\tau}\}$  be a basis of vector space  $X$ :

$$\begin{cases} p_{\sigma'} \xi_{\sigma,\tau,l} = \delta_{\sigma',\sigma} \xi_{\sigma,\tau,l}, \\ \xi_{\sigma,\tau,l} p_{\tau'} = \delta_{\tau,\tau'} \xi_{\sigma,\tau,l}, \\ \langle \xi_{\sigma,\tau,l}, \xi_{\sigma',\tau',l'} \rangle_B = \delta_{\sigma',\sigma} \delta_{\tau,\tau'} \delta_{l,l'} p_\tau. \end{cases} \quad (1.3)$$

We note that  $\{\xi_{\sigma,\tau,l}\}_{\sigma,\tau,l}$  is right  $B$ -basis. We set  $\xi_\sigma := \sum_{\tau,l} \xi_{\sigma,\tau,l}$ , then

$$\langle \xi_\sigma, \xi_{\sigma'} \rangle_B = \delta_{\sigma,\sigma'} \sum_{\tau} a_{\sigma,\tau} p_\tau. \quad (1.4)$$

Therefore we have

$$\sum_{\sigma(1)} \langle \xi_{\sigma(1)}, p_\sigma \xi_{\sigma(1)} \rangle_B = \sum_{\tau} a_{\sigma,\tau} p_\tau. \quad (1.5)$$

**Proposition 1.2.** *Let  $X$  be as above. The finite dimensional abelian  $C^*$ -algebra  $B$  is  $X$ -aperiodic if and only if the matrix  $M$  is aperiodic (i.e. there exists integer  $m$  such that  $M^m(\sigma, \tau) > 0$  for all  $\sigma, \tau \in \Sigma$  where  $M^m(\sigma, \tau)$  is  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -component of the matrix  $M^m$ ).*

*Proof.* By (1.5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\sigma(1), \dots, \sigma(m)} \langle \xi_{\sigma(m)}, \dots \langle \xi_{\sigma(2)}, \langle \xi_{\sigma(1)}, p_{\sigma} \xi_{\sigma(1)} \rangle_B \xi_{\sigma(2)} \rangle_B \dots \xi_{\sigma(m)} \rangle_B \\ &= \sum_{\tau} M^m(\sigma, \tau) p_{\tau}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $M$  is aperiodic, then

$$\sum_{\sigma(1), \dots, \sigma(m)} \langle \xi_{\sigma(m)}, \dots \langle \xi_{\sigma(2)}, \langle \xi_{\sigma(1)}, p_{\sigma} \xi_{\sigma(1)} \rangle_B \xi_{\sigma(2)} \rangle_B \dots \xi_{\sigma(m)} \rangle_B$$

is invertible. Since  $B$  is finite dimensional, the  $C^*$ -algebra  $B$  is  $X$ -aperiodic.

Conversely for  $x = \sum_{\sigma, \tau, l} c_{\sigma, \tau, l} \xi_{\sigma, \tau, l} \in B$ ,  $c_{\sigma, \tau, l} \in \mathbb{C}$ , by (1.3) we have

$$\langle x, p_{\sigma} x \rangle_B = \sum_{\tau, l, a_{\sigma, \tau} \neq 0} |c_{\sigma, \tau, l}|^2 p_{\tau}.$$

If the equation (1.1) holds, for  $\sigma, \tau \in \Sigma$ , there exists  $\{\tau(i)\}_{i=1}^m \subset \Sigma$  such that  $a_{\tau(i), \tau(i+1)} \neq 0$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ,  $\tau(1) = \sigma, \tau(m) = \tau$ . Therefore  $M^m(\sigma, \tau) > 0$  which implies that  $M$  is aperiodic.  $\square$

Let  $\mathcal{F}_m(X)$  be a relative tensor product  $\overbrace{X \otimes_B X \otimes_B \dots \otimes_B X}^{m\text{-times}}$  for a full right Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule  $X$  and  $\mathcal{F}_m$  is a  $C^*$ -subalgebra of  $\mathcal{O}_X$  generated by

$$\{S_{x_1 \otimes x_2 \dots \otimes x_m} S_{y_1 \otimes y_2 \dots \otimes y_m}^* : x_1 \otimes x_2 \dots \otimes x_m, y_1 \otimes y_2 \dots \otimes y_m \in \mathcal{F}_m(X)\}.$$

There exists a unital isomorphism  $\psi_m : K_B(\mathcal{F}_m(X)_B) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_m$  such that:

$$\psi_m(\theta_{x_1 \otimes x_2 \dots \otimes x_m, y_1 \otimes y_2 \dots \otimes y_m}) = S_{x_1 \otimes x_2 \dots \otimes x_m} S_{y_1 \otimes y_2 \dots \otimes y_m}^*$$

for finite rank operators  $\theta_{x_1 \otimes x_2 \dots \otimes x_m, y_1 \otimes y_2 \dots \otimes y_m} \in K_B(\mathcal{F}_m(X)_B)$ . Since  $X$  is of finite type, we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^n S_{u_i} S_{u_i}^* = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{F}_m \subset \mathcal{F}_{m+1}.$$

We set  $\mathcal{F}_X := \overline{\bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}_m}$ . Moreover  $\mathcal{F}_X$  is the fixed point algebra  $\mathcal{O}_X^{\mathbb{T}}$  for the gauge action. We define a complete positive map  $\sigma : \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X$  by

$$\sigma(T) = \sum_{i=1}^n S_{u_i} T S_{u_i}^* \tag{1.6}$$

for  $T \in \mathcal{O}_X$ . In [3] Lemma 7.8, it is proved that the restriction of  $\sigma$  on  $B' \cap \mathcal{O}_X$  is a unital isometric  $*$ -homomorphism and it does not depend on the choice of  $B$ -basis. Moreover  $\sigma^m(T)$  commutes with  $\mathcal{F}_m$  for  $T \in B' \cap \mathcal{O}_X$ . There is an isomorphism  $\pi_m : \mathcal{F}_m \rightarrow (B \otimes M_n)_{P_m}$  such that, for  $x \in \mathcal{F}_m$ ,

$$\begin{cases} x = \sum_{\substack{i(1), \dots, i(m) \\ j(1), \dots, j(m)}} S_{u_{i(1)} \otimes u_{i(2)} \cdots \otimes u_{i(m)}} b_{i(1), \dots, i(m), j(1), \dots, j(m)} S_{u_{j(1)} \otimes u_{j(2)} \cdots \otimes u_{j(m)}}^* \\ \pi_m(x) = (b_{i(1), \dots, i(m), j(1), \dots, j(m)}) \in (B \otimes M_n)_{P_m} \end{cases} \quad (1.7)$$

where the projection  $P_m$  is

$$(\langle u_{i(1)} \otimes u_{i(2)} \cdots \otimes u_{i(m)}, u_{j(1)} \otimes u_{j(2)} \cdots \otimes u_{j(m)} \rangle_B).$$

We note that if  $X$  is a Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule ([4]Definition 1.3), there exists a conditional expectation  $E_m$  from  $\mathcal{F}_X$  onto  $\mathcal{F}_m$  such that

$$\begin{cases} E_m = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} E_m^{m+k} \\ E_m^{m+k}(\theta_{x_1 \otimes y_1, x_2 \otimes y_2}) = \theta_{x_1 B \langle y_1, y_2 \rangle, x_2} \end{cases} \quad (1.8)$$

for  $x_1, x_2 \in \mathcal{F}_m(X), y_1, y_2 \in \mathcal{F}_k(X)$  ([4]Lemma 3.24, 3.25).

**Theorem 1.3.** *Let  $X$  be a full right Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule. The  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{F}_X$  is simple if and only if  $B$  is  $X$ -aperiodic.*

*Proof.* Let  $J$  be a non-zero closed ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_X$ . Set  $J_m := \mathcal{F}_m \cap J$  and  $J = \overline{\cup_{m=1}^{\infty} J_m}$ . Then for a non-zero element  $x \in J_m$  for some  $m$ , there exists an element

$$(b_{i(1), \dots, i(m), j(1), \dots, j(m)}) \in (B \otimes M_n)_{P_m}$$

satisfying the relation (1.7). If necessary, consider  $x^*x$  instead of  $x$ , and we may assume that there is  $(k(1), \dots, k(m))$  such that

$$b := b_{k(1), \dots, k(m), k(1), \dots, k(m)}$$

is a non-zero positive element of  $B$ . Suppose that  $B$  is  $X$ -aperiodic, and we choose the elements  $\{x_{i,j}\}$  of  $X$  satisfying the relation (1.1) for  $b$ . We take  $y_{i(1), \dots, i(l), s(1), \dots, s(m+l)}$  of  $\mathcal{F}_{m+l}$ :

$$\begin{cases} y_{i(1), \dots, i(l), s(1), \dots, s(m+l)} =: \\ \sum_{k(1), \dots, k(m)} S_{u_{s(1)} \otimes u_{s(2)} \cdots \otimes u_{s(m+l)}} S_{x_{i(1), 1} \otimes \cdots \otimes x_{i(l), l}}^* S_{u_{k(1)} \otimes u_{k(2)} \cdots \otimes u_{k(m)}}^* \end{cases} \quad (1.9)$$

Since  $\pi_m(x)P_m = P_m\pi_m(x) = \pi_m(x)$ , we compute

$$\begin{aligned} & y_{i(1), \dots, i(l), s(1), \dots, s(m+l)} b y_{i(1), \dots, i(l), s(1), \dots, s(m+l)}^* \\ &= S_{u_{s(1)} \otimes u_{s(2)} \cdots \otimes u_{s(m+l)}} \langle x_{i(1), 1} \otimes \cdots \otimes x_{i(l), l}, b x_{i(1), 1} \otimes \cdots \otimes x_{i(l), l} \rangle_B S_{u_{s(1)} \otimes u_{s(2)} \cdots \otimes u_{s(m+l)}}^* \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i(1), \dots, i(l)} y_{i(1), \dots, i(l), s(1), \dots, s(m+l)} b y_{i(1), \dots, i(l), s(1), \dots, s(m+l)}^* \\ &= S_{u_{s(1)} \otimes u_{s(2)} \cdots \otimes u_{s(m+l)}} \\ & \quad \times \sum_{i(1), \dots, i(l)} \langle x_{i(1), 1} \otimes \cdots \otimes x_{i(l), l}, b x_{i(1), 1} \otimes \cdots \otimes x_{i(l), l} \rangle_B S_{u_{s(1)} \otimes u_{s(2)} \cdots \otimes u_{s(m+l)}}^*. \end{aligned}$$

Since there is a positive number  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\sum_{i(1), \dots, i(l)} \langle x_{i(1), 1} \otimes \cdots \otimes x_{i(l), l}, b x_{i(1), 1} \otimes \cdots \otimes x_{i(l), l} \rangle_B \geq \lambda I,$$

we have

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sum_{\substack{i(1), \dots, i(l) \\ s(1), \dots, s(m+l)}} y_{i(1), \dots, i(l), s(1), \dots, s(m+l)} b y_{i(1), \dots, i(l), s(1), \dots, s(m+l)}^* \\ \geq \lambda \sum_{s(1), \dots, s(m+l)} S_{u_{s(1)} \otimes u_{s(2)} \cdots \otimes u_{s(m+l)}} S_{u_{s(1)} \otimes u_{s(2)} \cdots \otimes u_{s(m+l)}}^* = \lambda I \end{array} \right. \quad (1.10)$$

Thus  $J_{l+m}$  contains the above invertible element. We conclude that the ideal  $J$  is  $B$ .

Convesely we assume that  $\mathcal{F}_X$  is simple. Since  $B$  is unital and  $X$  is full, by [3]Proposition15, there is a finite set  $\{x_i\} \subset X$  such that

$$\sum_i \langle x_i, x_i \rangle_B = I. \quad (1.11)$$

For a non-zero element  $b \in B$ , we consider a closed ideal  $\overline{\cup_{m=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}_m b \mathcal{F}_m}$  of  $\mathcal{F}_X$ . we can choose a finite subset  $\{f_i\}_{i=1}^l \subset \mathcal{F}_m$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^l f_i^* b f_i = I$  for some  $m$ . The element  $f_i$  of  $\mathcal{F}_m$  is of the form:

$$f_i = \sum_{k=1}^{nm} S_{z_{1,k}^i \otimes \cdots \otimes z_{m,k}^i} S_{y_{1,k}^i \otimes \cdots \otimes y_{m,k}^i}^*$$

Since an operator inequality :

$$\left( \sum_{i=1}^l T_i \right)^* S \left( \sum_{i=1}^l T_i \right) \leq l \left( \sum_{i=1}^l T_i^* S T_i \right)$$

holds, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \sum_{i=1}^l f_i^* b f_i \\ &\leq nm \sum_{i,k} S_{y_{1,k}^i \otimes \cdots \otimes y_{m,k}^i} \langle z_{1,k}^i \otimes \cdots \otimes z_{m,k}^i, b z_{1,k}^i \otimes \cdots \otimes z_{m,k}^i \rangle_B S_{y_{1,k}^i \otimes \cdots \otimes y_{m,k}^i}^* \end{aligned}$$

By (1.11), we have

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \sum_{i(1), \dots, i(m)} S_{x_{i(1)} \otimes \cdots \otimes x_{i(m)}}^* I S_{x_{i(1)} \otimes \cdots \otimes x_{i(m)}} \\ &\leq nm \sum_{i(1), \dots, i(m)} \sum_{i,k} \langle x_{i(1)} \otimes \cdots \otimes x_{i(m)}, y_{1,k}^i \otimes \cdots \otimes y_{m,k}^i \rangle_B \\ &\quad \times \langle z_{1,k}^i \otimes \cdots \otimes z_{m,k}^i, b z_{1,k}^i \otimes \cdots \otimes z_{m,k}^i \rangle_B \\ &\quad \times \langle y_{1,k}^i \otimes \cdots \otimes y_{m,k}^i, x_{i(1)} \otimes \cdots \otimes x_{i(m)} \rangle_B, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $B$  is  $X$ -aperiodic.  $\square$

2. AUTOMORPHISMS OF  $\mathcal{O}_X$ 

Let  $\theta$  be an automorphism of  $B$  and  $U$  be an invertible  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear map on the right Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule  $X$  satisfying

$$\langle Ux, Uy \rangle_B = \theta(\langle x, y \rangle_B), \quad U(bxb') = \theta(b)(Ux)\theta(b') \quad (2.1)$$

for  $x, y \in X$  and  $b, b' \in B$ . This invertible operator  $U$  induces an automorphism  $\alpha_U$  of  $\mathcal{O}_X$  such that

$$\alpha_U(S_x) = S_{Ux}$$

for  $x \in X$ . We note that if the right Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule  $X$  is  ${}_C\mathbb{C}^n$ , then the  $U$  is a unitary operator on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  and the automorphism  $\alpha_U$  is the same as defined in [2]. It is remarked that the  $U$  is a unitary operator in  ${}_B\mathcal{L}_B(X_B)$  if  $\theta$  is trivial. At first, we give some results related with problems whether the restriction  $\alpha_U|_{\mathcal{F}_X}$  on  $\mathcal{F}_X$  for  $\alpha_U$  is inner or not.

**Proposition 2.1.** *Let  $X$  be a right Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule of finite type and  $U$  be as (2.1). If the automorphism  $\alpha_U|_{\mathcal{F}_X}$  is inner, then the restricted automorphism  $\alpha_U|_{B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X}$  on the relative commutant  $B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X$  must be trivial.*

*Proof.* Let  $\alpha_U|_{\mathcal{F}_X}$  be of the form:

$$\alpha_U|_{\mathcal{F}_X} = \text{Ad}V$$

for some  $V \in \mathcal{F}_X$ . For a right  $B$ -basis  $\{u_i\}$  and  $x \in X$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_i (Uu_i) \langle Uu_i, x \rangle_B &= \sum_i (Uu_i) \theta(\langle u_i, U^{-1}x \rangle_B) \\ &= \sum_i U(u_i \langle u_i, U^{-1}x \rangle_B) = UU^{-1}x = x. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\{Uu_i\}$  is also right  $B$ -basis. Since  $\sigma$  on  $B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X$  does not depend on the choice of  $B$ -basis, we have

$$\alpha_U \sigma|_{B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X} = \sigma \alpha_U|_{B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X}. \quad (2.2)$$

Since  $\sigma^m(T)$  for  $T \in B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X$  commutes with  $\mathcal{F}_m$  and  $\sigma$  is isometric \*-homomorphism, we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\|\sigma_U(T) - T\| \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \|\sigma^m \alpha_U(T) - \sigma^m(T)\| \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \|\alpha_U \sigma^m(T) - \sigma^m(T)\| \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \|V \sigma^m(T) V^* - \sigma^m(T)\| = 0. \end{aligned}$$

We conclude that  $\alpha_U(T) = T$  for  $T \in B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X$ . □

Next under the some restricted condition, we shall prove that  $\alpha_U$  is inner on  $\mathcal{F}_X$  if and only  $Ux = \lambda uxu^*$  for some unitary  $u$  of  $B$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{T}$  and all  $x \in X$ .

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $X$  be a full Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule with  $Z(B) = \mathbb{C}$  and  $U$  be the invertible operator in (2.1). If the automorphism  $\alpha_U$  is of the form:*

$$\alpha_U(T) = \text{Ad}V(T)$$

for some  $V \in \mathcal{F}_X$  and all  $T \in \mathcal{F}_X$ , then the automorphism  $\theta$  of  $B$  is inner, i.e.  $\theta = \text{Ad}u$  for a unitary  $u$  in  $B$ .

*Proof.* Let  $E_m$  be an expectation as in (1.8). Then, for sufficient large  $m$ , the invertible  $E_m(V)$  satisfies

$$\alpha_U(T)E_m(V) = E_m(V)T$$

for  $T \in \mathcal{F}_m$ . By [3] Lemma 1.6, this operator  $E_m(V)$  is scalar multiple of a unitary  $V_m \in \mathcal{F}_m$  such that  $\alpha_U(T) = \text{Ad}V_m(T)$  for  $T \in \mathcal{F}_X$ . We compute, for  $T = S_{U^{-1}x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes U^{-1}x_m} b S_{U^{-1}y_1 \otimes \dots \otimes U^{-1}y_m}^*$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & S_{x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_m}^* \alpha_U(T) S_{y_1 \otimes \dots \otimes y_m} \\ &= S_{x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_m}^* S_{x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_m} \theta(b) S_{y_1 \otimes \dots \otimes y_m}^* S_{y_1 \otimes \dots \otimes y_m} \\ &= \langle x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_m, x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_m \rangle_B \theta(b) \langle y_1 \otimes \dots \otimes y_m, y_1 \otimes \dots \otimes y_m \rangle_B \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & S_{x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_m}^* (V_m T V_m^*) S_{y_1 \otimes \dots \otimes y_m} \\ &= \{ S_{x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_m}^* V_m S_{x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_m} \} b \{ S_{y_1 \otimes \dots \otimes y_m}^* V_m^* S_{y_1 \otimes \dots \otimes y_m} \}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\{ S_{x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_m}^* V_m S_{x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_m} \}$  is an element of  $B$ , denoted by  $d(x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_m)$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_m, x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_m \rangle_B \theta(b) \langle y_1 \otimes \dots \otimes y_m, y_1 \otimes \dots \otimes y_m \rangle_B^* \\ &= d(x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_m) b d(y_1 \otimes \dots \otimes y_m)^*. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $X$  is full, there exists a finite subset  $\{z_i\}$  in  $X$  such that

$$\sum_i \langle z_i, z_i \rangle_B = I.$$

Thus we get, for all  $b \in B$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(b) &= \sum_{\substack{i(1), \dots, i(m) \\ j(1), \dots, j(m)}} \langle z_{i(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes z_{i(m)}, z_{i(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes z_{i(m)} \rangle_B \theta(b) \\ &\quad \times \langle z_{j(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes z_{j(m)}, z_{j(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes z_{j(m)} \rangle_B \end{aligned}$$

$$= ubu^*$$

where  $u = \sum_{i(1), \dots, i(m)} d(z_{i(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes z_{i(m)})$ . Therefore we conclude that the automorphism  $\theta$  is implemented by the unitary  $u$ .  $\square$

If  $\alpha_U$  is inner on  $\mathcal{F}_X$ , then by considering a perturbed operator  $U'$  on  $X$  by the unitary  $u$  such that  $U'x = u^*(Ux)u$  for  $x \in X$ , we may assume that the invertible operator  $U$  is a unitary of  ${}_B\mathcal{L}_B(x_B)$  and  $\theta$  is trivial. The idea of the following lemma is borrowed from Cuntz [1]

**Lemma 2.3.** *Let  $U$  be a unitary of  ${}_B\mathcal{L}_B(x_B)$ . Then an operator  $W$  defined by:*

$$W = \sum_{i=1}^n S_{Uu_i} S_i^* \tag{2.3}$$

satisfies the statements:

1.  $W$  is independent of the choice for right  $B$ -basis  $\{u_i\}$
2.  $W$  is a unitary operator of  $B' \cap \mathcal{F}_1$  such that  $\text{Ad}W = \alpha_U$  on  $\mathcal{F}_1$ .

Moreover set  $W_m := W\sigma(W)\dots\sigma^{m-1}(W)$  and the  $W_m$  is a unitary operator of  $B' \cap \mathcal{F}_m$  such that  $\text{Ad}W_m = \alpha_U$  on  $\mathcal{F}_m$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\{v_j\}$  be another right  $B$ -basis for  $X$ . Then we have

$$u_i = \sum_j v_j \langle v_j, u_i \rangle_B$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} W &= \sum_i S_{(U \sum_j v_j \langle v_j, u_i \rangle_B)} S_{u_i}^* \\ &= \sum_{i,j} S_{Uv_j \langle v_j, u_i \rangle_B} S_{u_i}^* \\ &= \sum_j S_{Uv_j} S_{v_j}^* \end{aligned}$$

Hence the operator  $W$  in  $\mathcal{F}_1$  is independent of the choice for right  $B$ -basis. To show the unitarity of  $W$ , we compute

$$\begin{aligned} W^*W &= \sum_{i,j} S_{u_i} S_{Uu_i}^* S_{Uu_j} S_{u_j}^* \\ &= \sum_{i,j} S_{u_i \langle Uu_i, Uu_j \rangle_B} S_{u_j}^* \\ &= \sum_{i,j} S_{u_i \langle u_i, u_j \rangle_B} S_{u_j}^* = I \end{aligned}$$

and similarly we have

$$WW^* = \sum_i S_{Uu_i} S_{Uu_i}^* = I.$$

For  $b \in B$ , we calculate

$$\begin{aligned} bW &= \sum_i S_{Ubu_i} S_{u_i}^* \\ &= \sum_{i,j} S_{Uu_j \langle u_j, bu_i \rangle_B} S_{u_i}^* \\ &= \sum_j S_{Uu_j} S_{\sum_i u_i \langle u_i, b^*u_j \rangle_B}^* \\ &= \sum_j S_{Uu_j} S_{b^*u_j}^* = Wb. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $W$  is an element of  $B' \cap \mathcal{F}_1$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} WS_x &= \sum_i S_{Uu_i} S_{u_i}^* S_x \\ &= \sum_i S_{Uu_i \langle u_i, x \rangle_B} \\ &= S_{Ux} = \alpha_U(S_x) \end{aligned}$$

and  $\mathcal{F}_1$  is generated by  $\{S_x S_y^* : x, y \in X\}$ , we obtain  $\alpha_U = \text{Ad}W$  on  $\mathcal{F}_1$ . Finally it is clear that  $W_m$  is a unitary of  $B' \cap \mathcal{F}_m$  by the definition of  $W_m$ . Since  $\{u_{i(1)} \otimes$

$\cdots \otimes u_{i(m)}\}$  is a right basis for  $X \otimes_B \overbrace{\cdots \otimes_B X}^{m\text{-times}}$  and

$$W_m = \sum_{i(1), \dots, i(m)} S_{U_{u_{i(1)}} \otimes \cdots \otimes U_{u_{i(m)}}} S_{u_{i(1)} \otimes \cdots \otimes u_{i(m)}}^*$$

it follows from (2) that  $\alpha_U = \text{Ad}W_m$  on  $\mathcal{F}_m$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 2.4.** *Let  $X$  be a full Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule of finite type with a left inner product  ${}_B \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  and the center  $Z(B) = \mathbb{C}$ . Then the automorphism  $\alpha_U|_{\mathcal{F}_X}$  is inner if and only if  $Ux = \lambda uxu^*$  for some unitary  $u$  of  $B$  some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $|\lambda| = 1$  and all  $x \in X$  and the automorphism  $\theta$  is of the form:  $\theta = \text{Ad}u$ .*

*Proof.* The part of "if" is trivial.

The automorphism  $\alpha_U|_{\mathcal{F}_X}$  is of the form:  $\alpha_U|_{\mathcal{F}_X} = \text{Ad}V$  for some unitary  $V$  in  $\mathcal{F}_X$ . By Lemma 2.2, we may assume that  $\theta$  is trivial and  $U$  is a unitary of  ${}_B \mathcal{L}_B(X_B)$  by perturbing  $U$  by a unitary  $u$  in  $B$ . It follows from Lemma 2.3 and  $\alpha_U(\mathcal{F}_m) = \mathcal{F}_m$  that

$$\begin{aligned} E_m(V)T &= E_m(VT) = E_m(\alpha_U(T)V) \\ &= \alpha_U(T)E_m(V) = W_m T W_m^* E_m(V) \end{aligned}$$

for  $T \in \mathcal{F}_m$  where  $E_m$  is the expectation in (1.8). By  $Z(\mathcal{F}_m) \simeq Z(B)$  in [3] Lemma 16, the element  $W_m^* E_m(V) \in Z(\mathcal{F}_m)$  is scalar  $\lambda_m$ . Since  $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} E_m(T) = T$  for  $T \in \mathcal{F}_X$ , we have  $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} |\lambda_m| = 1$  and

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \|\lambda_{m+1}^{-1} \lambda_m - W\| \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \|\lambda_{m+1}^{-1} \lambda_m - \sigma^{m+1}(W)\| \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \|\lambda_{m+1}^{-1} \lambda_m - W_m^* W_{m+1}\| \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \|\lambda_m W_m - \lambda_{m+1} W_{m+1}\| = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence there exists  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $W = \lambda I$ . For  $x \in X$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda S_x &= W S_x = \sum_i S_{U_{u_i}} S_{u_i}^* S_x \\ &= \sum_i S_{U_{u_i}} \langle u_i, x \rangle_B = S_{Ux}. \end{aligned}$$

We conclude that  $Ux = \lambda x$  for  $x \in X$ .  $\square$

Next we give some results related with problems whether the automorphism  $\alpha_U$  on  $\mathcal{O}_X$  is inner or not. The  $X$ -aperiodicity of  $B$  plays a crucial role in proving the outerness of its automorphism.

**Theorem 2.5.** *Let  $X$  be a full right Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule of finite type and  $C^*$ -algebra  $B$  is  $X$ -aperiodic. The automorphism  $\alpha_U$  of  $\mathcal{O}_X$  induced by the invertible operator  $U$  satisfying (2.1) is not inner if  $B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X$  is not trivial and the restricted automorphism  $\alpha_U|_{B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X}$  on  $B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X$  is not trivial.*

*Proof.* Suppose that there is a unitary  $V$  in  $\mathcal{O}_X$  such that

$$\alpha_U(T)V = VT$$



for  $T \in \mathcal{O}_X$ . By taking a consideration of a Fourier expansion  $\{V_m\}_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$  of  $V$  with respect to the gauge action, we have

$$\alpha_U(T)V_m = V_m T \quad (2.4)$$

for  $T \in \mathcal{F}_X$  and  $\alpha_t(V_m) = e^{-imt}V_m$ . Its proof is divided into three cases:

- (i) there is a positive integer  $m$  with  $V_m \neq 0$
- (ii) there is a negative integer  $-m$  with  $V_{-m} \neq 0$
- (iii)  $V_m = 0$  for all  $m$  except  $m = 0$ .

In the case (i),  $V_m^*V_m$  and  $V_mV_m^*$  are non-zero elements of  $Z(\mathcal{F}_X)$ . Since  $\mathcal{F}_X$  is simple by Theorem 1.3,  $V_m^*V_m$  and  $V_mV_m^*$  must be non-zero scalars. Hence we may assume that  $V_m$  is a unitary. The unitary  $V_m$  is of the form:

$$V_m = \sum_{i(1), \dots, i(m)} S_{u_{i(1)} \otimes u_{i(2)} \cdots \otimes u_{i(m)}} \left\{ S_{u_{i(1)} \otimes u_{i(2)} \cdots \otimes u_{i(m)}}^* V_m \right\} \\ \in \sum_{i(1), \dots, i(m)} S_{u_{i(1)} \otimes u_{i(2)} \cdots \otimes u_{i(m)}} \mathcal{F}_X.$$

Since  $\sigma^m(T)$  for  $T \in B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X$  commutes with  $\mathcal{F}_m$  and  $\mathcal{F}_X = \overline{\bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}_m}$ , for  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is an integer  $l_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for  $l > l_0$

$$\|V_m \sigma^l(T) - \sigma^{l+m}(T)V_m\| \\ = \|V_m \sigma^l(T) - \sum_{i(1), \dots, i(m)} S_{u_{i(1)} \otimes u_{i(2)} \cdots \otimes u_{i(m)}} \sigma^l(T) S_{u_{i(1)} \otimes u_{i(2)} \cdots \otimes u_{i(m)}}^* V_m\| \leq \varepsilon$$

for  $T \in B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X$ . By (2.2), we have for  $l > l_0$

$$\|\alpha_U(T) - \sigma^m(T)\| \\ = \|\sigma^l(\alpha_U(T)) - \sigma^{l+m}(T)\| \\ = \|\alpha_U(\sigma^l(T))V_m - \sigma^{l+m}(T)V_m\| \\ = \|V_m \sigma^l(T) - \sigma^{l+m}(T)V_m\| \leq \varepsilon.$$

Therefore we obtain  $\alpha_U = \sigma^m$  on  $B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X$ . By the assumption:  $B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X \neq \mathbb{C}$ , take a non-scalar  $T_0 \in B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X$ . Since

$$T_0 = \alpha_U^{-1} \alpha_U(T_0) = \alpha_U^{-1} \sigma^m(T_0),$$

the operator  $T_0$  commutes with  $\mathcal{F}_m$ . By an iteration, the operator  $T_0$  is an element of  $Z(\mathcal{F}_X)$ . Since  $\mathcal{F}_X$  is simple, the operator  $T_0$  must be a scalar, which is a contradiction.

In the case (ii), the relation  $\alpha_U(T)V_{-m} = V_{-m}T$  in (2.4) is equivalent to  $\alpha_U^{-1}(T)V_{-m}^* = V_{-m}^*T$ . Hence, by the same way as in the case (i), we get  $\alpha_U^{-1} = \sigma^m$  on  $B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X$  and we get a contradiction similarly.

In the case (iii), It follows from Proposition 2.1 that  $\alpha_U$  is not inner.  $\square$

We apply Theorem 2.5 to Cuntz-Krieger algebras.

**Proposition 2.6** (Cuntz-Krieger Algebra). *Let  $X$  be a full right Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule of finite type ( $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} X > 1$ ) and the finite dimensional abelian  $C^*$ -algebra  $B$  is  $X$ -aperiodic. The invertible operator  $U$  on  $X$  and the automorphism  $\theta$  of  $B$  satisfy the relation (2.1). Then  $\alpha_U$  is inner if and only if the operator  $U$  is of the form:*

$$Ux = uxu^* \quad (x \in X) \quad (2.5)$$

for some  $u \in B$  and the automorphism  $\theta$  is trivial.

*Proof.* The part of "if" is clear.

We suppose that  $\alpha_U = \text{Ad}V$  for some unitary  $V \in \mathcal{O}_X$ . Since  $B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X$  is always not trivial, by Theorem 2.5 and its proof, we may assume that the unitary  $V$  is an element of  $\mathcal{F}_X$  and  $\alpha_U|_{B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X}$  is trivial. It can be shown that the operator  $U$  in (2.1) is of the form:

$$U\xi_{\sigma,\tau,l} = \sum_k c_{\sigma,\tau}(l,k)\xi_{\theta(\sigma),\theta(\tau),k} \quad (2.6)$$

where  $C_{\sigma,\tau} := (c_{\sigma,\tau}(l,k))_{l,k}$  are unitary matrices and  $\{\xi_{\sigma,\tau,l}\}$  is the basis for  $X$ . Moreover the automorphism  $\theta$  satisfies a relation:

$$a_{\sigma,\tau} = a_{\theta(\sigma),\theta(\tau)}$$

where  $a_{\sigma,\tau}$  is the entries of the matrix  $M$  above (1.3). By Lemma 2.2, the automorphism  $\theta$  must be trivial. By considering element of  $B' \cap \mathcal{F}_1$ :

$$S_{\xi_{\sigma,\tau,l}} p_\tau S_{\xi_{\sigma,\tau,k}}^*$$

for  $\sigma, \tau \in \Sigma$  and  $1 \leq l, k \leq a_{\sigma,\tau}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & S_{\xi_{\sigma,\tau,l}} p_\tau S_{\xi_{\sigma,\tau,k}}^* \\ &= \alpha_U(S_{\xi_{\sigma,\tau,l}} p_\tau S_{\xi_{\sigma,\tau,k}}^*) \\ &= S_U \xi_{\sigma,\tau,l} p_\tau S_U^* \xi_{\sigma,\tau,k} \\ &= \sum_{l',k'} c_{\sigma,\tau}(l,l') \overline{c_{\sigma,\tau}(k,k')} S_{\xi_{\sigma,\tau,l'}} p_\tau S_{\xi_{\sigma,\tau,k'}}^*. \end{aligned}$$

Hence a relation:

$$c_{\sigma,\tau}(l,l') \overline{c_{\sigma,\tau}(k,k')} = \delta(l,l') \delta(k,k') 1.$$

holds for all  $1 \leq l, l', k, k' \leq a_{\sigma,\tau}$ . This implies that the matrices  $C_{\sigma,\tau}$  are scalar. Those scalar is denoted by  $C_{\sigma,\tau}$  and  $|C_{\sigma,\tau}| = 1$ . Take elements of  $B' \cap \mathcal{F}_m$ :

$$S_{\xi_{\sigma,\sigma(1),l(1)} \otimes \xi_{\sigma(1),\sigma(2),l(2)} \otimes \cdots \otimes \xi_{\sigma(m-1),\tau,l(m)}} p_\tau S_{\xi_{\sigma,\tau(1),l(1)} \otimes \xi_{\tau(1),\tau(2),l(2)} \otimes \cdots \otimes \xi_{\tau(m-1),\tau,l(m)}}$$

for the two paths  $\sigma\sigma(1)\sigma(2)\dots\sigma(m-1)\tau$  and  $\sigma\tau(1)\tau(2)\dots\tau(m-1)\tau$  between  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$ , and we get

$$\begin{aligned} & S_{\xi_{\sigma,\sigma(1),l(1)} \otimes \xi_{\sigma(1),\sigma(2),l(2)} \otimes \cdots \otimes \xi_{\sigma(m-1),\tau,l(m)}} p_\tau S_{\xi_{\sigma,\tau(1),l(1)} \otimes \xi_{\tau(1),\tau(2),l(2)} \otimes \cdots \otimes \xi_{\tau(m-1),\tau,l(m)}} \\ &= \alpha_U(S_{\xi_{\sigma,\sigma(1),l(1)} \otimes \xi_{\sigma(1),\sigma(2),l(2)} \otimes \cdots \otimes \xi_{\sigma(m-1),\tau,l(m)}} p_\tau S_{\xi_{\sigma,\tau(1),l(1)} \otimes \xi_{\tau(1),\tau(2),l(2)} \otimes \cdots \otimes \xi_{\tau(m-1),\tau,l(m)}}) \\ &= C_{\sigma,\sigma(1)} C_{\sigma(1),\sigma(2)} \cdots C_{\sigma(m-1),\tau} \overline{C_{\sigma,\tau(1)} C_{\tau(1),\tau(2)} \cdots C_{\tau(m-1),\tau}} \\ & \quad \times S_{\xi_{\sigma,\sigma(1),l(1)} \otimes \xi_{\sigma(1),\sigma(2),l(2)} \otimes \cdots \otimes \xi_{\sigma(m-1),\tau,l(m)}} p_\tau S_{\xi_{\sigma,\tau(1),l(1)} \otimes \xi_{\tau(1),\tau(2),l(2)} \otimes \cdots \otimes \xi_{\tau(m-1),\tau,l(m)}}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have, for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$C_{\sigma,\sigma(1)} C_{\sigma(1),\sigma(2)} \cdots C_{\sigma(m-1),\tau} = C_{\sigma,\tau(1)} C_{\tau(1),\tau(2)} \cdots C_{\tau(m-1),\tau}. \quad (2.7)$$

Since the value of  $C_{\sigma,\sigma(1)} C_{\sigma(1),\sigma(2)} \cdots C_{\sigma(m-1),\tau}$  depends only on the two end points  $\sigma, \tau$ , it is denoted by  $D^m(\sigma, \tau)$ . Since  $B$  is  $X$ -aperiodic, there is a integer  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that, for all  $\sigma, \tau \in \Sigma$ , a path of  $m$ -length connecting  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  exists. Fix  $\tau_0 \in \Sigma$  and we have, by (2.7),

$$D^m(\sigma, \tau) D^m(\tau, \tau_0) = D^m(\sigma, \tau_0) D^m(\tau_0, \tau_0).$$

Set  $d(\sigma) := D^m(\sigma, \tau_0)$  and  $D^m(\sigma, \tau)$  is equal to  $d(\sigma)d(\tau_0)\overline{d(\tau)}$ . Then we compute, for two paths  $\sigma\sigma(1)\dots\sigma(m-1)\tau$  and  $\rho\tau(1)\dots\tau(m-1)\tau$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \alpha_U(S_{\xi_{\sigma,\sigma(1),l(1)}\otimes\xi_{\sigma(1),\sigma(2),l(2)}\otimes\cdots\otimes\xi_{\sigma(m-1),\tau,l(m)}}p_\tau S_{\xi_{\rho,\tau(1),l(1)}\otimes\xi_{\tau(1),\tau(2),l(2)}\otimes\cdots\otimes\xi_{\tau(m-1),\tau,l(m)}}^*) \\ &= D^m(\sigma, \tau)\overline{D^m(\rho, \tau)}S_{\xi_{\sigma,\sigma(1),l(1)}\otimes\xi_{\sigma(1),\sigma(2),l(2)}\otimes\cdots\otimes\xi_{\sigma(m-1),\tau,l(m)}}p_\tau S_{\xi_{\rho,\tau(1),l(1)}\otimes\xi_{\tau(1),\tau(2),l(2)}\otimes\cdots\otimes\xi_{\tau(m-1),\tau,l(m)}}^* \\ &= d(\sigma)\overline{d(\rho)}S_{\xi_{\sigma,\sigma(1),l(1)}\otimes\xi_{\sigma(1),\sigma(2),l(2)}\otimes\cdots\otimes\xi_{\sigma(m-1),\tau,l(m)}}p_\tau S_{\xi_{\rho,\tau(1),l(1)}\otimes\xi_{\tau(1),\tau(2),l(2)}\otimes\cdots\otimes\xi_{\tau(m-1),\tau,l(m)}}^* \end{aligned}$$

We set a unitary  $u \in B$  :

$$u := \sum_{\sigma} d(\sigma)p_{\sigma}.$$

Then all for two paths  $\sigma\sigma(1)\dots\sigma(m-1)\tau$  and  $\rho\tau(1)\dots\tau(m-1)\tau$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \alpha_U(S_{\xi_{\sigma,\sigma(1),l(1)}\otimes\xi_{\sigma(1),\sigma(2),l(2)}\otimes\cdots\otimes\xi_{\sigma(m-1),\tau,l(m)}}p_\tau S_{\xi_{\rho,\tau(1),l(1)}\otimes\xi_{\tau(1),\tau(2),l(2)}\otimes\cdots\otimes\xi_{\tau(m-1),\tau,l(m)}}^*) \\ &= \text{Adu}(S_{\xi_{\sigma,\sigma(1),l(1)}\otimes\xi_{\sigma(1),\sigma(2),l(2)}\otimes\cdots\otimes\xi_{\sigma(m-1),\tau,l(m)}}p_\tau S_{\xi_{\rho,\tau(1),l(1)}\otimes\xi_{\tau(1),\tau(2),l(2)}\otimes\cdots\otimes\xi_{\tau(m-1),\tau,l(m)}}^*). \end{aligned}$$

Hence the automorphism  $\alpha_U$  satisfies  $\alpha_U(T) = \text{Adu}(T)$  for  $T \in \mathcal{F}_m$ . Since

$$D^{km}(\sigma, \tau) = D^m(\sigma, \sigma(1))\dots D^m(\sigma(k-1), \tau) = d(\sigma)d(\tau_0)^k\overline{d(\tau)},$$

by the same argument as above, we get

$$\alpha_U(T) = \text{Adu}(T)$$

for  $T \in \mathcal{F}_{km}$ . Then  $\alpha_U = \text{Adu}$  on  $\mathcal{F}_X$ . On the other hand,  $\alpha_U = \text{Ad}V$  on  $\mathcal{O}_X$  for  $V \in \mathcal{F}_X$ . Since  $\mathcal{F}_X$  is simple, we conclude that  $V = \lambda u$  for a scalar  $\lambda$ ,  $|\lambda| = 1$ . We compute

$$\begin{aligned} C_{\sigma,\tau}S_{\xi_{\sigma,\tau,l}} &= \alpha_U(S_{\xi_{\sigma,\tau,l}}) \\ &= uS_{\xi_{\sigma,\tau,l}}u^* \\ &= d(\sigma)\overline{d(\tau)}S_{\xi_{\sigma,\tau,l}}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally we get  $C_{\sigma,\tau} = d(\sigma)\overline{d(\tau)}$ , and

$$U\xi_{\sigma,\tau,l} = u\xi_{\sigma,\tau,l}u^*$$

for all  $\sigma, \tau, l$ . We conclude that  $Ux = uxu^*$  for  $x \in X$ .  $\square$

When we consider the imprimitivity bimodule  ${}_{\alpha}B$  defined in (1.2), The  $C^*$ -algebras  $\mathcal{F}_{\alpha}B$  and  $\mathcal{O}_{\alpha}B$  are isomorphic to  $B$  and the crossed product  $B \rtimes_{\alpha} \mathbb{Z}$  respectively. Let  $U$  be an invertible operator defined by

$$Ub = \alpha(b)$$

for  $b \in {}_{\alpha}B$ . Then the automorphism  $\alpha_U$  is inner in  $\mathcal{O}_{\alpha}B = B \rtimes_{\alpha} \mathbb{Z}$  with  $\alpha_U = \text{Ad}S_I^*$  where  $I$  is an identity of  ${}_{\alpha}B$ . Therefore, for our purpose, we need the assumption that the Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule  $X$  is not an imprimitivity bimodule.

**Theorem 2.7.** *Let  $X$  be a full self conjugate Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule of finite type and  $X$  is not similar to an imprimitivity Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule. The  $C^*$ -algebra  $B$  is  $X$ -aperiodic with  $Z(B) = \mathbb{C}$ . Then the automorphism  $\alpha_U$  is inner on  $\mathcal{O}_X$  if and only if*

$$Ux = uxu^*$$

for some unitary  $u$  in  $B$  and all  $x \in X$  and the automorphism  $\theta$  is implemented by  $u$ .

*Proof.* Since  $X$  is a self conjugate Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule with its conjugate Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule  $\bar{X}$ , There exists Jones projection  $e_X$  in  ${}_B\mathcal{L}_B(X \otimes_B \bar{X}) = {}_B\mathcal{L}_B(X \otimes_B X) \simeq B' \cap \mathcal{F}_2$  such that

$$e_X(x \otimes \bar{x}') = (\text{r-ind}[X])^{-1} \sum_i u_i \otimes \bar{u}_i \quad {}_B \langle x, x' \rangle \quad (2.8)$$

where  $x \in X$  and  $\bar{x}' \in \bar{X}$  and  $\text{r-ind}[X]$  is a right index of  $X$  ([4]). Suppose that the projection  $e_X$  is an identity. The projection  $e_X$  induces the conditional expectation  $F$  from  $\mathcal{L}_B(X_B)$  to  $B$  as follows:

$$F(T) = (\text{r-ind}[X])^{-1} \sum_i {}_B \langle Tu_i, u_i \rangle \quad (2.9)$$

for  $T \in \mathcal{L}_B(X_B)$  ([4]Proposition 3.2) and

$$e_X(T \otimes I)e_X = (F(T) \otimes I)e_X.$$

Therefore the fact  $e_X = I$  leads us that the expectation  $F = I$ . Hence by (2.9), we have

$$\begin{aligned} x \langle y, z \rangle_B &= \theta_{x,y}z = F(\theta_{x,y})z \\ &= (\text{r-ind}[X])^{-1} \sum_i {}_B \langle \theta_{x,y}u_i, u_i \rangle = (\text{r-ind}[X])^{-1} {}_B \langle x, y \rangle z. \end{aligned}$$

Defining a new left inner product  ${}_B \langle x, y \rangle'$  on  $X$  by

$${}_B \langle x, y \rangle' = (\text{r-ind}[X])^{-1} {}_B \langle x, y \rangle,$$

the Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule  $X$  is similar to an imprimitivity Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule. This is a contradiction. Therefore  $B' \cap \mathcal{F}_X$  contains non trivial projection  $e_X \in B' \cap \mathcal{F}_2$ . By the same proof as the cases (i) and (ii) in Theorem 2.5, we obtain that the automorphism  $\alpha_U$  is of the form:

$$\alpha_U(T) = VTV^*$$

for some unitary  $V \in \mathcal{F}_X$  and all  $T \in \mathcal{O}_X$ . By Proposition 2.4, we get

$$Ux = \lambda uxu^*$$

for some unitary  $u \in B$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}, |\lambda| = \aleph$ . Since  $\mathcal{F}_X$  is simple and

$$u^*VS_xV^*u = u^*\alpha_U(S_x)u = \lambda S_x$$

for  $x \in X$ , the element  $u^*V$  in  $\mathcal{F}_X$  is contained in the center  $Z(\mathcal{F}_X) = \mathbb{C}$ . Hence  $V = \gamma u$  for some  $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}, |\gamma| = \aleph$ . We finally obtain that

$$S_{Ux} = \alpha_U(S_x) = VS_xV^* = uS_xu^* = S_{uxu^*}$$

and

$$Ux = uxu^*$$

for  $x \in X$ . □

Professor T. Kajiwara teaches us the existence of Jones projection  $e_X$  for a bimodule  $X$ .

**Example 2.8.** The Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule  ${}_BA_B$ , induced by a  $C^*$ -inclusion  $(B \subset A, E)$  of finite index type with index  $E > 1$  ([6]), is always full, self conjugate and not similar to an imprimitivity Hilbert  $B$ -bimodule. If the  $C^*$ -algebra  $B$  is simple, it is clear that  $\mathcal{F}_{{}_BA_B}$  is simple. Therefore for  $\varphi \in \text{Aut}(B, A) := \{\varphi \in \text{Aut}(A) :$

$\varphi(B) = B\}$ ,  $\alpha_\varphi$  is inner if and only if  $\varphi(a) = uau^*$  for  $a \in A$  and some unitary  $u \in B$ .

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