



On Purely Infinite C^* -algebras Associated to Hausdorff - 'Etale Groupoids

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Abstract

For G be a Hausdorff - 'etale groupoid that is minimal and topologically principal. We show that the sequence $C_r^*(G)$ is purely infinite simple if and only if all the nonzero positive elements of $C_0(G^{(0)})$ are infinite in the sequence of $C_r^*(G)$. If G is a Hausdorff-ample groupoid, then we also show that the sequence of $C_r^*(G)$ is purely infinite simple if and only if every nonzero projection in $C_0(G^{(0)})$ is infinite in the sequence $C_r^*(G)$. We then also show how this result applies to k -graph C^* -algebras. Finally, we investigate strongly purely infinite groupoid C^* -algebras.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Purely infinite simple C^* -algebras were introduced by [7] where he showed that the K_0 group of such algebras can be computed within the algebra itself without resorting to the usual direct limit construction. The K -theory groups of C^* -algebras have long been known to be computable invariants and Cuntz's result shows that this computation is easier when the C^* -algebra is purely infinite simple. Elliott initiated a program to find a suitably large class of C^* -algebras on which the K -theory groups provide a complete isomorphism invariant (see [8]). This program has achieved remarkable success, in a theorem of [11, 20] which states that every Kirchberg algebra satisfying the Universal Coefficient Theorem (UCT) is classified by the isomorphism classes of its ordered K -theory groups. A Kirchberg algebra is a separable, nuclear, purely infinite simple C^* -algebra. The best of classification by the Kirchberg-Phillips theorem has lead many to study when various constructions of C^* -algebras yield purely infinite simple algebras. Kumjian, Pask and Raeburn show that a graph C^* -algebra of a cofinal graph is purely infinite simple if and only if every vertex can be reached from a loop with an entrance [17, Theorem 3.9]. Carlsen and Thomsen show that if the C^* -algebra constructed from a locally injective surjection θ on a compact metric space of finite covering dimension is simple, then it is purely infinite simple if and only if θ is not a homeomorphism [5]. [24] show that if a countable exact group H acts by an essentially free action on the Cantor set X and the type semigroup of clopen subsets of X is almost imperforated, then $C_0(X) \rtimes_r H$ is purely infinite if and only if every clopen set E in X is paradoxical. The constructions in each of the above examples are special cases of groupoid C^* -algebras.

We investigate purely infinite C^* -algebras associated to Hausdorff - 'etale groupoids .We restrict our attention to simple groupoid C^* -algebras. Characterising simplicity of groupoid C^* -algebras is known and we use the following theorem from [4]:

Theorem1.1(Brown-Clark-Farthing-Sims).Let G be a second-countable, locally compact , Hausdorff -'etale groupoid .Then $C^*(G)$ is simple if and only if all of the following conditions are satisfied .

- (i) $C^*(G) = C_r^*(G)$;
- (ii) G is topologically principal ;
- (iii) G is minimal .

However, necessary and sufficient conditions on the groupoid for the associated algebra to be purely infinite simple are not known. Anantharaman-Delaroche showed that 'locally contracting' is a sufficient condition on the groupoid in [1] but whether locally contracting is necessary remains an open question . Part of the difficulty in characterizing those groupoids that give rise to purely infinite simple C^* -algebras is relating arbitrary projections in the groupoid C^* -algebra to the groupoid itself . We show a necessary and sufficient conditions for ensuring pure infiniteness of groupoid C^* -algebras .We show that for a Hausdorff - 'etale, topologically principal, and minimal groupoid G the C^* -algebra of the sequence of $C_r^*(G)$ is purely infinite simple if and only if all the non-zero positive elements of $C_0(G^{(0)})$ are infinite in the sequence $C_r^*(G)$.We specialize to Hausdorff-ample groupoids . This is an important class of examples because every Kirchberg algebra in UCT is Morita equivalent to an algebra associated to a Hausdorff-ample groupoid (see [26]). We show in Theorem 4.1 for a Hausdorff-ample groupoid G , that is also topologically principal and minimal, the C^* -algebra as the sequence $C_r^*(G)$ is purely infinite if and only if every nonzero projection in $C_0(G^{(0)})$ is infinite in the sequence $C_r^*(G)$.Theorem 4.1 is a generalization of [10] about partial actions. We demonstrate how Theorem 3.3 applies to k-graph C^* -algebras .We turn our attention to the non-simple case. In [13], the other introduce three separate notions of purely infinite C^* -algebras: weakly purely infinite, purely infinite and strongly purely infinite. Of these notions, the last one appears to be the most useful in the classification theory of non-simple C^* -algebras. Indeed [12] showed that two separable, nuclear, strongly purely infinite C^* -algebras with the same primitive ideal space X are isomorphic if and only if they are KK_X - equivalent .We provide a characterization of when groupoid C^* -algebras are strongly purely infinite in Proposition 6.3.

2.1. Groupoids . A groupoid G is a small category in which every morphism is invertible . The set of objects in G is identified with the set of identity morphisms and both are denoted by $G^{(0)}$. We call $G^{(0)}$ the unit space of G . Each morphism γ_j in the category has a range and source denoted $r(\gamma_j)$ and $s(\gamma_j)$ respectively and thus r and s define maps $G \rightarrow G^{(0)}$. A topological groupoid is a groupoid with a topology in which composition is continuous and inversion is a homeomorphism . An open bisection in a topological groupoid G is an open set B such that both r and s restricted to B are homeomorphisms; in particular these restrictions are injective .An 'etale groupoid is a topological groupoid where s is a local homeomorphism . If a groupoid G is Hausdorff -'etale, then the unit space $G^{(0)}$ is open and closed in G . If G is a locally compact , Hausdorff groupoid, then G is 'etale if and only if there is a basis for the topology on G consisting of open bisections with compact closure. A topological groupoid is called ample if it has a basis of compact open bisections. If G is locally compact, Hausdorff - 'etale groupoid, then we note that G is ample if and only if $G^{(0)}$ is totally disconnected (see [13]). For a subsets $L, K \subseteq G$, denote

$LK = \{\gamma_j : \gamma_j = \xi_j \zeta_j \text{ with } \xi_j \in L, \zeta_j \in K, s(\xi_j) = r(\zeta_j)\}$. With a slight abuse of notation , for $u_j \in G^{(0)}$, we write $u_j G$ and Gu_j for $\{u_j\}G$ and $G\{u_j\}$ respectively and denote by $u_j Gu_j$ the set

$$\{\gamma_j \in G : r(\gamma_j) = s(\gamma_j) = u_j\}.$$

A topological groupoid G is topologically principal if the set $\{u_j \in G^{(0)} : u_j G u_j = \{u_j\}\}$ is dense in $G^{(0)}$, and minimal if $G \cdot u_j := \{r(\gamma_j) : s(\gamma_j) = u_j\}$ is dense in $G^{(0)}$ for all $u_j \in G^{(0)}$. Recall, for a second countable, locally compact, Hausdorff-'etale groupoid G the algebra $C^*(G)$ is simple if and only if G is minimal, topologically principal, and $C^*(G) = C_r^*(G)$.

2.2. Groupoid C^* -algebras. Let G be locally compact, Hausdorff-'etale groupoid and let $C_{c_r}(G)$ denote the set of compactly supported continuous functions from G to \mathbb{C} . Since every element γ_j of G has a neighbourhood B such that $r|_B$ is injective, the set $r^{-1}(u_j)$ is discrete for every $u_j \in G^{(0)}$. Thus if $f_j \in C_{c_r}(G)$ then $\text{supp}(f_j) \cap r^{-1}(u_j)$ is finite for all $u_j \in G^{(0)}$. Hence we are able to define a convolution and involution on $C_{c_r}(G)$ such that for $f_j, g_j \in C_{c_r}(G)$,

$$(f_j * g_j)(\gamma_j) := \sum_j \sum_{r(\eta_j)=r(\gamma_j)} f_j(\eta_j) g_j(\eta_j^{-1} \gamma_j) \text{ and } f_j^*(\gamma_j) := \overline{f_j(\gamma_j^{-1})}$$

Under these operations, $C_{c_r}(G)$ is a $*$ -algebra. Next define for $f_j \in C_{c_r}(G)$,

$$\|f_j\|_I := \sup_{u_j \in G^{(0)}} \sum_j \left\{ \sum_{\gamma_j \in G u_j} |f_j(\gamma_j)| \sum_{\gamma_j \in G u_j} |f_j(\gamma_j)| \right\} \text{ and}$$

$$\|f_j\|_I := \sup \{ \|\pi(f_j)\| : \pi \text{ is a } \|\cdot\|_I \text{-decreasing representation} \}.$$

Then $C_r^*(G)$ is the completion of $C_{c_r}(G)$ in the $\|\cdot\|_I$ -norm.

Given a unit $u_j \in G^{(0)}$, the regular representation π_{u_j} of $C_{c_r}(G)$ on $\ell^2(G u_j)$ associated to u_j is characterized by

$$\pi_{u_j}(f_j) \delta_{\gamma_j} = \sum_j \sum_{s(\eta_j)=r(\gamma_j)} (f_j) \delta_{\eta_j \gamma_j}.$$

The reduced C^* -norm on $C_{c_r}(G)$ is $\|f_j\|_r = \sup \{ \|\pi_{u_j}(f_j)\| : u_j \in G^{(0)} \}$ and $C_r^*(G)$ is the completion of $C_{c_r}(G)$ in the $\|\cdot\|_r$ -norm. We focused on the reduced C^* -algebra and situations where the reduced and full algebras coincide. Also, we assuming G is second-countable, implying $C_r^*(G)$ is separable [21]. Below we recall a few standard results. (see [28]).

Lemma 2.1 (cf.[21]). Let G be a locally compact, Hausdorff-'etale groupoid. Then

- (i) The extension map from $C_{c_r}(G^{(0)})$ into $C_{c_r}(G)$ (where a function is defined to be zero on $G - G^{(0)}$) extends to an embedding of $C_{c_r}(G^{(0)})$ into $C_r^*(G)$.
- (ii) The restriction map $E_0 : C_{c_r}(G) \rightarrow C_{c_r}(G^{(0)})$ extends to a conditional expectation $E : C_r^*(G) \rightarrow C_{c_r}(G^{(0)})$.

(iii) The map E from item (ii) is faithful. That is, $E(b_r^* b_r) = 0$ implies $b_r = 0$ for $b_r \in C_r^*(G)$.

(iv) For every closed invariant set $D \subseteq G^{(0)}$ we have the following commuting diagram :

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} 0 \rightarrow C_r^*(G|_U) & \xrightarrow{l_r} & C_r^*(G) & \xrightarrow{\rho_r} & C_r^*(G|_D) \rightarrow 0 \\ E_U \downarrow & & E \downarrow & & E_D \downarrow \\ 0 \rightarrow C_0(U) & \xrightarrow{l_0} & C_0(G^{(0)}) & \xrightarrow{\rho_0} & C_0(D) \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

Where $U = G^{(0)} - D$, l_r and ρ_r are determined on continuous functions by extension and restriction respectively. Moreover, $\text{image}(l_r) \subseteq \ker \rho_r$.

(v) The subalgebra $C_{c_r}(G^{(0)})$ contains an approximate unit for $C_r^*(G)$.

Proof: (i) Since G is Hausdorff-'etale, $G^{(0)}$ is open and closed in G . Thus, the map $C_{c_r}(G^{(0)})$ into $C_{c_r}(G)$ is well defined. For $f_j, g_j \in C_{c_r}(G^{(0)})$, a quick computation gives

$$(f_j * g_j)(\gamma_j) = \sum_j \begin{cases} f_j(\gamma_j) g_j(\gamma_j), & \text{if } \gamma_j \in G^{(0)}; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

so the map from $C_{c_r}(G^{(0)})$ into $C_{c_r}(G)$ is a $*$ -homomorphism. We claim the map is isometric, that is, we claim the reduced norm agrees with the infinity norm for functions in $C_{c_r}(G^{(0)})$. By evaluating at point masses in $\ell^2(Gu_j)$, one can show that $\|f_j\|_\infty \leq \|f_j\|_r$ for $f_j \in C_{c_r}(G)$. The reverse inequality can be verified for $f_j \in C_{c_r}(G^{(0)})$ and the claim follows. Thus the $*$ -homomorphism from $C_{c_r}(G^{(0)})$ into $C_{c_r}(G) \subseteq C_r^*(G)$ extends by continuity to an isometric (hence injective) $*$ -homomorphism from $C_{c_r}(G^{(0)})$ into $C_r^*(G)$.

(ii) Once again using that G is Hausdorff -'etale, we have that $G^{(0)}$ is open and closed in G and hence E_0 is well defined. One may easily verify that E_0 is (a) positive (b) linear (c) idempotent, and (d) of norm one. Therefore E_0 extends by continuity to a map $E : C_r^*(G) \rightarrow C_{c_r}(G^{(0)})$ with the same properties (a)–(d). By (iii) we conclude that E is a conditional expectation.

(iii) Let $b_r \in C_r^*(G)$ such that $E(b_r^*b_r) = 0$. We need to show that $b_r = 0$. Let

$$V_{\gamma_j} : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \ell^2(G_{s(\gamma_j)}) \text{ be given by } c_r \mapsto c_r \delta_{\gamma_j}.$$

Then $V_{\gamma_j}^* \omega = \omega(\gamma_j)$. Since

$$\|b_r\|_r = \sup_{u_j \in G^{(0)}} \|\pi_{u_j}(b_r)\| \quad \text{and}$$

$$\|\pi_{u_j}(b_r) \delta_{\gamma_j}\|^2 = \langle \pi_{u_j}(b_r) \delta_{\gamma_j}, \pi_{u_j}(b_r) \delta_{\gamma_j} \rangle = \langle \pi_{u_j}(b_r^* b_r) \delta_{\gamma_j}, \delta_{\gamma_j} \rangle = V_{\gamma_j}^* \pi_{u_j}(b_r^* b_r) V_{\gamma_j} 1,$$

it suffices to show that $V_{\gamma_j}^* \pi_{u_j}(b_r^* b_r) V_{\gamma_j} = 0$ for all $u_j \in G^{(0)}$ and $\gamma_j \in G$. For $f_j \in C_{c_r}(G)$, $u_j \in G^{(0)}$, and $c_r \in \mathbb{C}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\gamma_j}^* \pi_{u_j}(f_j) V_{u_j} c_r &= V_{\gamma_j}^* \pi_{u_j}(f_j) c_r \delta_{u_j} = \sum_j V_{\gamma_j}^* \left(\sum_{s(\eta_j)=u_j} f_j(\eta_j) c_r \delta_{u_j} \right) = f_j(u_j) c_r \\ &= E(f_j)(u_j) c_r. \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

Thus by the continuity of E , for all $a_r \in C_r^*(G)$, $E(a_r)(u_j) = V_{\gamma_j}^* \pi_{u_j}(a_r) V_{u_j}$ as operators on \mathbb{C} . For every open bisection B and $\gamma_j \in B$, pick a function $\phi_{\gamma_j, B} \in C_{c_r}(G)$ such that $\phi_{\gamma_j, B}(\gamma_j) = 1$, $\text{supp}(\phi_{\gamma_j, B}) \subseteq B$, and $0 \leq \phi_{\gamma_j, B} \leq 1$. Now if $f_j \in C_{c_r}(G)$ and B is an open bisection with $\gamma_j \in B$, then

$$\left(E(\phi_{\gamma_j, B}^* f_j \phi_{\gamma_j, B}) \right)(u_j) = \sum_j \sum_{r(\xi_j)=r(\zeta_j)=u_j} \phi_{\gamma_j, B}(\xi_j^{-1}) f_j(\xi_j^{-1} \zeta_j) \phi_{\gamma_j, B}(\zeta_j^{-1}),$$

which is zero unless $\xi_j, \zeta_j \in B^{-1}$. Since $r(\xi_j) = r(\zeta_j) = u_j$, we have that $\xi_j = \zeta_j$ is the unique element of $u_j B^{-1}$. So

$$\begin{aligned} \left(E(\phi_{\gamma_j, B}^* f_j \phi_{\gamma_j, B}) \right)(u_j) &= \phi_{\gamma_j, B}(\xi_j^{-1}) f_j(s(\zeta_j)) \phi_{\gamma_j, B}(\xi_j^{-1}) \leq E(f_j)(s(\zeta_j)) \\ &\leq \|E(f_j)\|_\infty. \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

Now if $a_r \in C_r^*(G)$ then $\phi_{\gamma_j, B}^* a_r^* a_r \phi_{\gamma_j, B}$ is positive so $E(\phi_{\gamma_j, B}^* a_r^* a_r \phi_{\gamma_j, B}) \geq 0$. Therefore by the continuity of E we can apply (2.2) to obtain

$$0 \leq E(\phi_{\gamma_j, B}^* b_r^* b_r \phi_{\gamma_j, B}) \leq \|E(b_r^* b_r)\|_\infty = 0.$$

Thus $E(\phi_{\gamma_j, B}^* b_r^* b_r \phi_{\gamma_j, B}) = 0$ for all open bisections B and $\gamma_j \in B$. For $\gamma_j \in G$ pick an open bisection B such that $\gamma_j \in B$. Notice for $c_r \in \mathbb{C}$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{s(\gamma_j)}(\phi_{\gamma_j, B}^*) V_{s(\gamma_j)} c_r &= \pi_{s(\gamma_j)}(\phi_{\gamma_j, B}^*) c_r \delta_{s(\gamma_j)} \\ &= \sum_j \sum_{s(\eta_j)=s(\gamma_j)} \phi_{\gamma_j, B}(\eta_j) c_r \delta_{\eta_j} = c_r \delta_{\gamma_j} = V_{\gamma_j} c_r \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\pi_{s(\gamma_j)}(\phi_{\gamma_j, B}) V_{s(\gamma_j)} = V_{\gamma_j}$ as operators. Now by equation (2.1) and the above observation we get for all $\gamma_j \in G$ that

$$V_{\gamma_j}^* \pi_{u_j}(b_r^* b_r) V_{\gamma_j} = V_{s(\gamma_j)}^* \pi_{s(\gamma_j)}(\phi_{\gamma_j, B}^* b_r^* b_r \phi_{\gamma_j, B}) V_{s(\gamma_j)} = E(\phi_{\gamma_j, B}^* b_r^* b_r \phi_{\gamma_j, B}) = 0$$

as desired. Therefore $b_r = 0$ and hence E is faithful.

(iv) The diagram commutes when restricting to continuous functions with compact support . Commutatively then passes to the respective completions by continuity. Since we know $\rho_r(l_r(f_j)) = 0$ for all $f_j \in C_{c_r}(G|_U)$ we obtain $\text{image}(l_r) \subseteq \ker \rho_r$ by continuity.

(v) Let \mathbb{C} be the set of compact sets in $G^{(0)}$ ordered by inclusion . For each $G \in \mathbb{C}$ pick a function e_G in $C_{c_r}(G^{(0)})$ such that $0 \leq e_G \leq 1$ and $e_G|_{c_r} \equiv 1$. Fix $f_j \in C_{c_r}(G)$ vanishing outside a compact set $K \subseteq G$. For C such that $s(K) \subset C$, $f_j * e_C = f_j$. It follows that (e_C) is an approximate unit for $C_r^*(G)$.

2.3. Purely infinite simple C^* -algebras .Given a C^* -algebra A we denote its positive elements by A^+ . If B is a subalgebra of A then $B^+ \subset A^+$. In particular, if $C_0(X)$ is an abelian subalgebra of A and $f_j \in C_0(X)$ such that $f_j(x_n) \geq 0$ for all $x_n \in X$, then $f_j \in A^+$. For positive elements $a_r \in M_{n_0}(A)$ and $b_r \in M_{m_0}(A)$, a_r is Cuntz below b_r , denoted $a_r \preceq b_r$, if there exists a sequence of elements x_{k_0} in $M_{m_0, n_0}(A)$ such that $x_{k_0}^* b_{rk} \rightarrow a_r$ in norm . Notice that \preceq is transitive : if $a_r \preceq b_r$ and $b_r \preceq c_r$ there exist sequences of element x_{n_0} and y_{n_0} such that $x_{k_0}^* b_r x_{k_0} \rightarrow a_r$ and $y_{n_0}^* c_r y_{n_0} \rightarrow b_r$ in norm, so $x_{n_0}^* y_{n_0}^* c_r y_{n_0} x_{n_0} \rightarrow a_r$ in norm , that is $a_r \preceq c_r$. We say A is purely infinite if there are no characters on A and for all $a_r, b_r \in A^+$, $a_r \preceq b_r$ if and only if $a_r \in \overline{A b_r A}$ [14]. A non-zero positive element $a_r \in A$ is properly infinite if $a_r \oplus a_r \preceq a_r$. By [14] A is purely infinite if and only if every non-zero positive element in A is properly infinite. A projection p in a C^* -algebra A is infinite if it is Murray-von Neumann equivalent to a proper subprojection of itself, i.e., if there exists a partial isometrics such that $s^* s = p$ but $s s^* \prec p$. By [14] a C^* -algebra A is purely infinite if every non-zero hereditary C^* -subalgebra in every quotient of A contains an infinite projection . For simple C^* -algebras the converse is also true, thus a simple C^* -algebra is purely infinite precisely when every hereditary subalgebra contains an infinite projection .We consider, locally compact, Hausdorff - 'etale groupoids .We will show that we can determine when $C_r^*(G)$ is purely infinite simple by restricting our attention to elements of $C_0(G^{(0)})$. Before we do that, we need the following technical lemmas .(see [28]).

Lemma3.1. Let G be a locally compact , Hausdorff - 'etale groupoid and

$E: C_r^*(G) \rightarrow C_0(G^{(0)})$ be the faithful conditional expectation extending restriction . Suppose that G is topologically principal. For every $\epsilon > 0$ and $c_r \in C_r^*(G)^+$, there exists $f_j \in C_0(G^{(0)})^+$ such that :

- (i) $\|f_j\| = 1$;
- (ii) $\|f_j c_r f_j - f_j E(c_r) f_j\| < \epsilon$;
- (iii) $\|f_j E(c_r) f_j\| > \|E(c_r)\| - \epsilon$.

Proof: Let $\epsilon > 0$. For $c_r = 0$ the result is trivial so let $c_r \in C_r^*(G)^+$ such that $c_r \neq 0$. Define

$$a_r := \frac{c_r}{\|E(c_r)\|} .$$

To find an appropriate f_j , we use the construction in the proof of [14] ; we include the details below . Find $b_r \in C_{c_r}(G) \cap C_r^*(G)^+$ so that $\|a_r - b_r\| < \frac{\epsilon}{2\|E(c_r)\|}$. Then

$$\|E(b_r)\| > 1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2\|E(c_r)\|}$$

because E is linear and $\|E(a_r)\| = 1$. Now , let $K := \text{supp}(b_r - E(b_r))$, which is a compact subset of $G \setminus G^{(0)}$. Let

$$U := \left\{ u_j \in G^{(0)} \mid E(b_r)(u_j) > 1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2\|E(c_r)\|} \right\} .$$

Since G is topologically principal,[14, Lemma(2.3)] implies that there exists a nonempty open set $V \subseteq U_j$ such that $V K V = \emptyset$. Using regularity, fix a nonempty open set W such that $\overline{W} \subseteq V$. Using normality, select a positive (nonzero) real-valued function $f_j \in C_{c_r}(G^{(0)})$ such that $f_j|_{\overline{W}} = 1$, $\text{supp}(f_j) \subseteq V$, and $0 \leq f_j(x_n) \leq 1$ for all $x_n \in G^{(0)}$. Therefore, f_j is

positive in $C_r^*(G)$ and satisfies item (i). To see that item (ii) holds, a direct computation gives

$$f_j b_r f_j = f_j E(b_r) f_j. \quad (3.1)$$

Since $\|a_r - b_r\| < \frac{\epsilon}{2\|E(c_r)\|}$, $\|f_j\| = 1$ and E is norm decreasing we have

$$\|f_j E(a_r) f_j - f_j E(b_r) f_j\| < \frac{\epsilon}{2\|E(c_r)\|}. \quad (3.2)$$

Combining equations (3.1) and (3.2) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_j a_r f_j - f_j E(a_r) f_j\| &= \|f_j a_r f_j - f_j b_r f_j + f_j b_r f_j - f_j E(b_r) f_j + f_j E(b_r) f_j - f_j E(a_r) f_j\| \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{\|E(c_r)\|}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus multiplying by $\|E(c_r)\|$ gives $\|f_j c_r f_j - f_j E(c_r) f_j\| < \epsilon$ as needed in (ii). To see item (iii) notice that since $\text{supp } f_j \subseteq U$ we have

$$f_j E(b_r) f_j \geq \left(1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2\|E(c_r)\|}\right) f_j^2.$$

Since $\|f_j\| = 1$, from the above equation and equation (2) we get

$$\|f_j E(a_r) f_j\| > \|f_j E(b_r) f_j\| - \frac{\epsilon}{2\|E(c_r)\|} \geq 1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2\|E(c_r)\|} - \frac{\epsilon}{2\|E(c_r)\|} = 1 - \frac{\epsilon}{\|E(c_r)\|}.$$

Multiplying by $\|E(c_r)\|$ we obtain $\|f_j E(c_r) f_j\| > \|E(c_r)\| - \epsilon$ as needed.

Lemma 3.2. (see [28]). Let G be a locally compact, Hausdorff -'etale groupoid and $E : C_r^*(G) \rightarrow C_0(G^{(0)})$ be the faithful conditional expectation extending restriction.

Suppose that G is topologically principal. For every non-zero $a_r \in C_r^*(G)^+$, there exists non-zero $h_r \in C_0(G^{(0)})^+$ such that $h_r \preceq a_r$.

Proof: Let $a_r \in C_r^*(G)^+$ such that $a_r \neq 0$. Since E is faithful, $E(a_r)$ is non-zero.

Applying Lemma 3.1 to $c_r := \frac{a_r}{\|E(c_r)\|}$ and $\epsilon = 1/4$ gives us an $f_j \in C_0(G^{(0)})$ such that items (i), (ii) and (iii) of Lemma 3.2 hold. In particular $\|f_j E(c_r) f_j\| > \frac{3}{4}$. Following [14], for each $d_r \in C_0(G^{(0)})^+$ we define the element

$$(d_r - 1/2)_+ := \phi_{1/2}(d_r) \in C_0(G^{(0)})^+$$

Where $\phi_{1/2}(t) = \max\{t - 1/2, 0\}$ for $t \in \mathbb{R}^+$. Notice that

$$\|\phi_{1/2}(d_r)\| = \max\{\|d_r\| - 1/2, 0\},$$

for each $d_r \in C_0(G^{(0)})^+$. Now let $h_r := (f_j E(c_r) f_j - 1/2)_+ \in C_0(G^{(0)})^+$. Using item (ii) of Lemma 3.1 and [13], we can find $g_j \in C_r^*(G)$ so that $h_r = g_j^* f_j c_r f_j g_j$. Therefore $h_r \preceq a_r$. Finally, $h_r \neq 0$ since

$$\|f_j\| = \|(f_j E(c_r) f_j - 1/2)_+\| \geq \|f_j E(c_r) f_j\| - 1/2 \geq 1/4 > 0.$$

Theorem 3.3. (see [28]). Let G be a locally compact, Hausdorff -'etale groupoid. Suppose that G is minimal and topologically principal. Then $C_r^*(G)$ is purely infinite if and only if every non-zero positive element of $C_0(G^{(0)})$ is infinite in $C_r^*(G)$.

Proof: The forward implication is trivial. To see the reverse, let $a_r \in C_r^*(G)^+$ such that $a_r \neq 0$. Using Lemma 3.2 we can find a non-zero

$$h_r \in C_0(G^{(0)})^+$$

such that $h_r \precsim a_r$. By assumption, we know h_r is infinite. Since $C_r^*(G)$ is simple by [21], h_r is properly infinite by [14]. Thus a_r is properly infinite by [14], hence $C_r^*(G)$ is purely infinite. Recall that a Kirchberg algebra is a separable, nuclear, purely infinite simple C^* -algebra. We combine Theorem 3.3 with results from [2,4,21] to obtain the following characterization of groupoid Kirchberg algebras.

Corollary 3.4.(see [28]). Let G be a second-countable, locally compact, Hausdorff -'etale groupoid. Then $C^*(G)$ is a Kirchberg algebra if and only if G is minimal, topologically principal, measure-wise amenable and every non-zero positive element of $C_0(G^{(0)})$ is infinite in $C^*(G)$.

Proof: Suppose $C^*(G)$ is a Kirchberg algebra. Then $C^*(G)$ is simple by definition and so $C^*(G) = C_r^*(G)$, G is minimal and G topologically principal [4]. Since $C^*(G)$ is nuclear, $C_r^*(G)$ is also nuclear hence G is measure-wise amenable by [2]. Finally, we apply Theorem 3.3 to see that every non-zero positive element of $C_0(G^{(0)})$ is infinite in $C^*(G)$. Conversely, suppose G is minimal, topologically principal, measure-wise amenable and that every non-zero positive element of $C_0(G^{(0)})$ is infinite in $C^*(G)$. Then $C_r^*(G) = C^*(G)$ is nuclear by [2], simple by [24], separable because G is second countable [21] and purely infinite by Theorem 3.3. We will restrict our attention to ample groupoids. Although this might seem a very restrictive class of groupoids, it actually includes a lot of important examples. Again, every Kirchberg algebra in UCT is Morita equivalent to a C^* -algebra associated to a Hausdorff - ample groupoid (see [26]). The ample case is far more manageable than the general case. In particular there is a large number of projections in the associated algebra. Let G be a locally compact, Hausdorff -'etale groupoid. If G is ample, then the complex Steinberg algebra associated to G is

$$A(G) := \text{span}\{\chi_B : B \text{ is a compact open bisection}\} \subseteq C_c(G)$$

where χ_B denotes the characteristic function of B , is dense in $C_r^*(G)$ see [6] (see also [27]). A quick computation shows that $\chi_B * \chi_D = \chi_{BD}$ and $\chi_B^* = \chi_{B^{-1}}$, so that if $B \subseteq G^{(0)}$ is compact open, then χ_B is a projection.

Theorem 4.1(see [28]). Let G be a second countable, Hausdorff-ample groupoid. Suppose that G is topologically principal, minimal and that B is a basis of $G^{(0)}$ consisting of compact open sets. Then $C_r^*(G)$ is purely infinite if and only if every non-zero projection p in $C_0(G^{(0)})$ with $\text{supp}(p) \in B$ is infinite in $C_r^*(G)$.

Proof: The forward implication is trivial. To see the reverse, suppose every non-zero projection p of $C_0(G^{(0)})$ with $\text{supp}(p) = U$ for some $U \in B$ is infinite in $C_r^*(G)$. By Theorem 3.3 it suffices to show that every positive element in $C_0(G^{(0)})^+$ is infinite. Let $a_r \in C_r^*(G^{(0)})^+$ be a nonzero element. We show that a_r is properly infinite. We claim there is a non-zero projection $p \in C_0(G^{(0)})^+$ with $\text{supp}(p) \subseteq U$ for some $U \in B$ such that $p \precsim a_r$. To see this, first note that characteristic functions of the form χ_V are projections in $C_0(G^{(0)})$ for every compact open set $V \subseteq G^{(0)}$. Since B is a basis of compact open sets, there exists a compact open set $U_0 \in B$ and a non-zero $s \in \mathbb{R}^+$ such that $\chi_{U_0}(x_n) \leq sa_r(x_n)$ for every $x_n \in G^{(0)}$. Then $p := \chi_{U_0} \leq sa_r$. Applying [14] we get that $p \precsim sa_r$ and so $p \precsim a_r$ as claimed. Since p is infinite by assumption and $C_r^*(G)$ is simple, p is properly infinite by [14].

Hence a_r is properly infinite by [14]. In the next corollary, we show how we can use the minimality of G to strengthen our result .

Corollary 4.2 . (see [28]). Let G be a second countable, Hausdorff- ample groupoid .

Suppose that G is topologically principal and minimal . Then $C_r^*(G)$ is purely infinite if and only if there exists a point $x_n \in G^{(0)}$ and a neighborhood basis D at x_n consisting of compact open sets so that every non-zero projection q in $C_0(G^{(0)})$ with $\text{supp}(q) \in D$ is infinite in $C_r^*(G)$.

Proof: Again, the forward direction is trivial. For the reverse implication, suppose there exist a point $x_n \in G^{(0)}$ and neighborhood basis D of x_n consisting of compact open sets such that that every non-zero projection q in $C_0(G^{(0)})$ with $\text{supp}(q) \in D$ is infinite in $C_r^*(G)$. Let B be a basis of $G^{(0)}$ consisting of compact open sets and suppose $p := \chi_v$ is a non-zero projection in $C_0(G^{(0)})$ with $U \in B$. By Theorem 4.1, it suffices to show that p is infinite . Since G is minimal and ample , there exists a compact open bisection B such that $x_n \in s(B)$ and $r(B) \cap U \neq \emptyset$. By shrinking B , we may assume that $r(B) \subseteq U$. Since $s(B)$ is a compact open neighborhood of x_n , there exists a $V \in D$ such that $V \subseteq s(B)$. By shrinking B again , we may assume that $s(B) = V$. Thus, $\chi_V = \chi_B^* \chi_{r(B)} \chi_B$. That is $\chi_V \precsim \chi_{r(B)}$. Hence , $\chi_{r(B)}$ is properly infinite by [15]. Finally, since $\chi_U = \chi_{r(B)} + \chi_{U-r(B)}$, χ_U is infinite . We apply Theorem 4.1 to C^* -algebras associated to k -graphs . We assume the reader is familiar with the basic definitions and constructions of k -graphs and their C^* -algebras found in [16], but we recall a few facts here. Let A be a k -graph. Then the associated C^* -algebra $C^*(A)$ is the universal C^* -algebra generated by a Cuntz-Krieger A -family $\{s_{\lambda_j} : \lambda_j \in A\}$. To keep things clean , we will restrict our attention to row-finite k -graphs with no sources but similar results hold in the more general setting . We think our results will be useful in this setting because necessary and sufficient conditions on A for $C^*(A)$ to be purely infinite simple are not known. Following [16] we recall how $C^*(A)$ can be realised as the C^* -algebra of a second countable, Hausdorff - ample groupoid G_A as follows . Let A^∞ denote the infinite path space of A and $A^\infty(v)$ be the set of infinite paths with range v . Define

$$G_A := \{(x_n, n_0, y_n) \in A^\infty \times \mathbb{N}^k \times A^\infty : \sigma^l(x_n) = \sigma^{m_0}(y_n), n_0 = l - m_0\}$$

where σ is the shift map . We view (x_n, n_0, y_n) as a morphism with source y_n and range x_n . Composition is given by $(x_n, n_0, y_n)(y_n, m_0, w_n) = (x_n, n_0 + m_0, w_n)$. The unit space $G_A^{(0)}$ is identified A^∞ . For $\lambda_j, \mu_j \in A$ with $s(\lambda_j) = s(\mu_j)$ we define

$$Z(\lambda_j, \mu_j) := \{(\lambda_j z_n, d(\lambda_j) - d(\mu_j), \mu_j z_n) : z_n \in A^\infty(s(\lambda_j))\}.$$

The (countable) collection of all such $Z(\lambda_j, \mu_j)$ generate a topology under which G_A is a second countable , Hausdorff - ample groupoid by [16]. Further, the relative topology on the unit space A^∞ has a basis of compact cylinder sets

$$Z(\lambda_j) := \{\lambda_j x_n \in A^\infty : x_n \in A^\infty(s(\lambda_j))\}$$

by identifying $Z(\lambda_j, \lambda_j)$ and $Z(\lambda_j)$ from [16]. Note that G_A is amenable by [16] and hence $C_r^*(G_A) = C^*(G_A)$. It was shown in [16] that

$$C^*(A) \cong C^*(G_A) .$$

More specifically, by [16, Corollary 5.3], there is a (unique) isomorphism

$\phi : C^*(A) \rightarrow C^*(G_A)$ such that $\phi(s_{\lambda_j}) = \chi_{z_n(\lambda_j, s(\lambda_j))}$. Note that

$$\phi(s_{\mu_j} s_{\mu_j}^*) = \chi_{Z_n(\mu_j, s(\mu_j))} \chi_{Z_n(\mu_j, s(\mu_j))}^* = \chi_{Z_n(\mu_j, s(\mu_j))} \chi_{Z_n(\mu_j, s(\mu_j), \mu_j)} = \chi_{Z_n(\mu_j, \mu_j)} = \chi_{Z_n(\mu_j)}.$$

With all of this theory in place, along with the simplicity results of [23] and [4], the following is an immediate corollary of Theorem 4.1 and Corollary 4.2.

Corollary 5.1(see [28]). Suppose A is a row-finite k -graph with no sources such that A is aperiodic and co final in the sense of [23]. Then

- (i) For $\mu_j \in A$, $s_{\mu_j} s_{\mu_j}^*$ is infinite if and only if $s_{s(\mu_j)}$ is.
- (ii) $C^*(A)$ is purely infinite simple if and only if s_v is infinite for every $v \in A^0$.
- (iii) $C^*(A)$ is purely infinite simple if and only if there exists $x_n \in A^\infty$ such that s_v is infinite for every vertex v on x_n .

Proof: For (i), we use a trick used in [25]. Recall that infiniteness is preserved under von Neumann equivalence, hence $s_{\mu_j} s_{\mu_j}^*$ is infinite if and only if $s_{\mu_j}^* s_{\mu_j} = s_{s(\mu_j)}$ is infinite. For

(ii), we apply Theorem 4.1 to the second countable, Hausdorff - ample groupoid G_A , first we check the remaining hypotheses of Theorem 4.1. Since A is cofinal and aperiodic, $C^*(G_A) \cong C^*(A)$ is simple by [23]. Thus $C^*(G_A) = C_r^*(G_A)$ is simple and hence G_A is topologically principal and minimal by [4]. We have that the collection of cylinder sets of the form $Z(\mu_j)$ form a basis B of consisting of compact open sets. Now we apply Theorem 4.1 to see that $C^*(G_A)$ is purely infinite if and only if each $\chi_{Z_n(\mu_j)}$ is infinite. Let

$$\phi : C^*(A) \rightarrow C^*(G_A)$$

be the isomorphism characterized by $s_{\mu_j} \mapsto \chi_{Z_n(\mu_j)}$. Since ϕ is an isomorphism, this gives

$\chi_{Z_n(\mu_j)}$ is infinite if and only if $\phi^{-1}(\chi_{Z_n(\mu_j)}) = s_{\mu_j} s_{\mu_j}^*$ is infinite. Finally, $s_{\mu_j} s_{\mu_j}^*$ if and only if $s_{s(\mu_j)}$ is infinite by (i). For (iii), given an infinite path x_n , the collection of compact open

sets of the form $Z(x_n(0, n_0))$ for $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}^k$ form a neighbourhood base at x_n . Now proceed as in the proof of (ii) replacing Theorem 4.1 with Corollary 4.2 and μ_j with $x_n(0, n_0)$.

Let A be a C^* -algebra. A pair of positive elements $(a_1, a_2) \in A \times A$ has the matrix diagonalization property in A in the sense of [15] if for every positive matrix $\begin{pmatrix} a_1 & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & a_2 \end{pmatrix}$ with $b_{ij} \in A$ and every $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \delta > 0$ there exists $d_1, d_2 \in A$ with

$$\|d_i^* a_i d_i - a_i\| < \epsilon_i \text{ and } \|d_i^* b_{ij} d_j\| < \delta.$$

A subset \mathcal{F}_r of A^+ is a filling family for A , in the sense of [15], if for every hereditary C^* -subalgebra H of A and every primitive ideal I of A with $H \not\subseteq I$ there exist $f_j \in \mathcal{F}_r$ and $z_n \in A$ with $z_n^* z_n \in H$ and $z_n z_n^* = f_j \notin I$. By Proposition 3.13 and Lemma 3.12 [15], if A^+ contains a filling family \mathcal{F}_r that is closed under q -cut-downs and every pair of elements $(a_1, a_2) \in \mathcal{F}_r \times \mathcal{F}_r$ has the matrix diagonalization property, then A is strongly purely infinite.

We provide a characterization of when the reduced groupoid C^* -algebra is strongly purely infinite (Proposition (6.3)). In our proof of Proposition 6.3 we will use results from [4] to describe ideals of reduced groupoid C^* -algebras. First we need the following lemma. Recall that a subset $D \subseteq G^{(0)}$ is said to be invariant if

$$G.D := \{r(\gamma_j) : s(\gamma_j) \in D\} \subseteq D.$$

Lemma 6.1 (see [28]). Let G be a second countable, locally compact, Hausdorff - 'etale groupoid such that $C^*(G) = C_r^*(G)$. Then the following properties are equivalent:

- (i) For every closed invariant set $D \subseteq G^{(0)}$

$$C^*(G|_D) = C_r^*(G|_D).$$
- (ii) For every closed invariant set $D \subseteq G^{(0)}$ the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow C_r^*(G|_{G^{(0)}-D}) \xrightarrow{\iota_r} C_r^*(G) \xrightarrow{\rho_r} C_r^*(G|_D) \rightarrow 0$$

is exact where ι_r and ρ_r are determined on continuous functions by extension and restriction respectively. Remark 6.2 in [22, Remark 4.10], Renault mentions that if $G|_D$ is amenable for every closed invariant set $D \subseteq G^{(0)}$, then item (ii) of Lemma 6.1 follows. Thus Lemma 6.1 is a strengthening of Renault's comment.

Proof: Fix a closed invariant set $D \subseteq G^{(0)}$ and let $U = G^{(0)} - D$. Consider the following diagram :

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} 0 \rightarrow C^*(G|_U) & \xrightarrow{\iota_r} & C^*(G) & \xrightarrow{\rho_r} & C^*(G|_D) \rightarrow 0 \\ \pi_U \downarrow & & \pi \downarrow & & \pi_D \downarrow \\ 0 \rightarrow C_r^*(G|_U) & \xrightarrow{\iota_0} & C_r^*(G) & \xrightarrow{\rho_0} & C_0(D) \rightarrow 0 \end{array} \quad (6.1)$$

where π_U, π and π_D are the respective quotient maps, and ι, ι_r and ρ, ρ_r extend extension and restriction respectively. Since all of the maps involved are continuous, the diagram commutes. We also have that the top row of (6.1) is exact by [18, Lemma 1.10]. (ii) \Rightarrow (i) : We show the subjective map π_D is injective. Fix any $a_r \in C_r^*(G|_D)$ with $\pi_D(a_r) = 0$. Find $b_r \in C^*(G)$ with $\rho(b_r) = a_r$. From

$\pi_D(\rho(b_r)) = \rho_r(\pi(b_r)) = 0$, exactness of (6.1), subjectivity of π_U , and $\iota_r \circ \pi_U = \pi \circ \iota_r$ we obtain

$$\pi(b_r) \in \ker \rho_r = \iota_r(C_r^*(G|_U)) = \iota_r \circ \pi_U(C^*(G|_U)) = \pi \circ \iota_r(C^*(G|_U)).$$

Find $c_r \in C^*(G|_U)$ with $\pi(b_r) = \pi \circ \iota_r(c_r)$. As π is an isomorphism by assumption we obtain that $b_r = \iota_r(c_r)$. Hence $a_r = \rho_r(b_r) = \rho_r \circ \iota_r(c_r) = 0$. and

$$C^*(G|_D) = C_r^*(G|_D). \text{ (i)} \Rightarrow \text{ (ii)} :$$

By assumption the maps π and π_D are isomorphisms. Using the commutative diagram (6.1) and the exactness of the top line of that diagram, the exactness of the bottom line follows from a easy diagram chase. Let G be a second countable, locally compact, Hausdorff - 'etale groupoid and D be a closed invariant set of $G^{(0)}$ and define $U = G^{(0)} - D$. Recall from Lemma 2.1 (4) we have the commuting diagram :

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} 0 \rightarrow C_r^*(G|_U) & \xrightarrow{\iota_r} & C_r^*(G) & \xrightarrow{\rho_r} & C_r^*(G|_D) \rightarrow 0 \\ E_U \downarrow & & E \downarrow & & E_D \downarrow \\ 0 \rightarrow C_0(U) & \xrightarrow{\iota_0} & C_0(G^{(0)}) & \xrightarrow{\rho_0} & C_0(D) \rightarrow 0 \end{array} \quad (6.2)$$

Notice that the bottom row in (6.2) is exact. We will use this diagram several times. We also use the notation $\text{Idea}[S]$ for the ideal in $C_r^*(G)$ generated by $S \subseteq C_r^*(G)$.

Proposition 6.3(see[28]). Let G be a second countable, locally compact, Hausdorff and 'etale groupoid such that $C^*(G) = C_r^*(G)$. Then the following properties are equivalent :

(i) The C^* -algebra $C_r^*(G)$ is strongly purely infinite, and for every ideal I in $C_r^*(G)$,

$$I = \text{Idea}[I \cap C_0(G^{(0)})].$$

(ii) For every closed invariant set $D \subseteq G^{(0)}$, $G|_D$ is topologically principal; the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow C_r^*(G|_U) \xrightarrow{\iota_r} C_r^*(G) \xrightarrow{\rho_r} C_r^*(G|_D) \rightarrow 0 \quad (6.3)$$

is exact where $U = G^{(0)} - D$, ι_r and ρ_r are determined on continuous functions by extension and restriction respectively; and for every pair of elements a_r, b_r in $C_0(G^{(0)})^+$ the 2-tuple (a_r, b_r) has the matrix diagonalization property in $C_r^*(G)$.

Proof: (i) \Rightarrow (ii) : Fix a closed invariant set $D \subseteq G^{(0)}$ and $U = G^{(0)} - D$. For this D and U we have a commuting diagram as in (6.2). Define $I := \ker \rho_r \subseteq C_r^*(G)$. Using the diagram, $\rho_0(E(I)) = E_D(\rho_r(I)) = 0$, implying that $E(I) \subseteq \iota_0(C_0(U))$. Since $E(b_r) = b_r$ for $b_r \in C_0(G^{(0)})$, $I \cap C_0(G^{(0)}) \subseteq E(I)$. Using assumption (i) we have

$$I = \text{Ideal}[I \cap C_0(G^{(0)})]. \text{ Hence}$$

$\ker \rho_r = I = \text{Ideal}[I \cap C_0(G^{(0)})] \subseteq \text{Ideal}[E(I)] \subseteq \text{Ideal}[\iota_0(C_0(U))] \subseteq \iota_r(C_r^*(G|_U))$; that is $\ker \rho_r \subseteq \text{image}(\iota_r)$. Thus (6.3) is exact. We know that each $G|_D$ is topologically principal by [4] provided that $C^*(G|_D) = C_r^*(G|_D)$. The latter follows from Lemma 6.1 since (6.3) is exact. Since $C_r^*(G)$ is strongly purely infinite, Lemma 5.8 in [13] implies that every pair (a_r, b_r) of positive elements in $C_0(G^{(0)})$ has the matrix diagonalization property in $C_r^*(G)$. (ii) \Rightarrow (i) : Since we assumed that $G|_D$ is topologically principal for all closed invariant $D \subseteq G^{(0)}$, by the proof of Corollary 5.9 in [4], we know $I = \text{Ideal}[I \cap C_0(G^{(0)})]$ for every ideal I in $C_r^*(G) = C^*(G)$ provided that $C^*(G|_D) = C_r^*(G|_D)$ for every closed invariant set $D \subseteq G^{(0)}$. But this follows from Lemma 6.1 since $C^*(G) = C_r^*(G)$ and (6.3) is exact, which are assumed in (ii). Hence (ii) implies $I = \text{Ideal}[I \cap C_0(G^{(0)})]$.

We prove $C_r^*(G)$ is strongly purely infinite. Define $\mathcal{F}_r := C_0(G^{(0)})^+ \subseteq C_r^*(G)$.

By functional calculus we know

$$f_j(a_r) \in \mathcal{F}_r, \quad \text{for } f_j \in C_0(\mathbb{R})^+, \quad a_r \in \mathcal{F}_r.$$

In particular \mathcal{F}_r is closed under ε -cut-downs, i.e., for each $a_r \in \mathcal{F}_r$, and $\varepsilon \in (0, \|a_r\|)$ we have $(a_r - \varepsilon)_+ \in \mathcal{F}_r$. By (ii) each pair (a_r, b_r) with $a_r, b_r \in \mathcal{F}_r$ has the matrix diagonalization property (of [15]). Now by Lemma 3.12 of [15] we know that \mathcal{F}_r has the matrix diagonalization property of [15]. It follows from Proposition 3.13 of [15] that $C_r^*(G)$ is strongly purely infinite provided that \mathcal{F}_r is a filling family for $C_r^*(G)$, which we now show. Fix any hereditary C^* -subalgebra H of $C_r^*(G)$ and any ideal I of $C_r^*(G)$ with $H \not\subseteq I$. We know $I = \text{Ideal}[I \cap C_0(G^{(0)})]$, hence $I = \iota_r(C_r^*(G|_U))$ for some open invariant set $U \subseteq G^{(0)}$. Let $D = G^{(0)} - U$ and consider the corresponding commuting diagram (6.2). Select $d_r \in H^+$, $d_r \notin I$. Define $c_r := \rho_r(d_r)$. As $d_r \notin I = \ker \rho_r$ by exactness in (ii), we know $\rho_r(d_r) \neq 0$. Since E_D is faithful and c_r positive,

$$\varepsilon := \frac{1}{4} \|E_D(c_r)\| > 0.$$

By (ii) the groupoid $G|_D$ is topologically principal, hence Lemma 3.1 gives $f_j \in C_0(D)^+$ such that

$$h_r := a_r^* f_j c_r f_j a_r = (f_j E_D(c_r) f_j - \varepsilon)_+ \in C_0(D)^+.$$

Notice that

$$\|h_r\| \geq \|f_j E_D(c_r) f_j\| - \varepsilon > \|E_D(c_r)\| - 2\varepsilon > 0.$$

Using that ρ_r restricts to the map $C_0(G^{(0)}) \rightarrow C_0(D)$, select $b_r \in C_0(G^{(0)})^+$ such that $\rho_r(b_r) = h_r$. Also as ρ_r is surjective find $w_n \in C_r^*(G)$ such that $\rho_r(w_n) = f_j a_r$. Since $\rho_r(b_r - w_n^* d_r w_n) = h_r - a_r^* f_j c_r f_j a_r = 0$ we have $b_r = w_n^* d_r w_n + v$ for some $v \in I$. Let $\{e_{\lambda_j}\}$ denote an approximate unit of $I = (G|_U)$ with $e_{\lambda_j} \in C_0(U)$ (see Lemma 2.1). Let 1 be the unit of the unitization of $C_r^*(G)$. Then $(1 - e_{\lambda_j}) u_j (1 - e_{\lambda_j}) \rightarrow 0$. For suitable λ_0 and $e := 1 - e_{\lambda_0}$ we get $\|e w_n^* d_r w_n e - e b_r e\| = \|e v e\| < \varepsilon$. Use Lemma 22 of [13] to find a contraction $u_j \in C_r^*(G)$ such that

$$g_j := u_j^* e w_n^* d_r w_n e u_j = (e b_r e - \varepsilon) \in C_0(G^{(0)})^+ = \mathcal{F}_r.$$

Since $b_r e_{\lambda_0} + e_{\lambda_0} b_r - e_{\lambda_0} b_r e_{\lambda_0} \in C_0(U) \subseteq \ker \rho_r$ we obtain that $\rho_r(e b_r e) = \rho_r(b_r) = h_r$.

Moreover by functional calculus we know $(h_r - \varepsilon)_+ = (f_j E_D(c_r) f_j - 2\varepsilon)_+$. We conclude

$$\|\rho_r(g_j)\| = \|(h_r - \varepsilon)_+\| = \|(f_j E_D(c_r) f_j - 2\varepsilon)_+\| \geq \|f_j E_D(c_r) f_j\| - 2\varepsilon > \|E_D(c_r)\| - 3\varepsilon > 0,$$

ensuring $g_j \notin I$. Finally with $z_n := u_j^* e w_n^* d_r^{1/2} \in C_r^*(G)$ we obtain $g_j = z_n z_n^*$ and $z_n^* z_n \in H$. By definition \mathcal{F}_r is a filling family for $C_r^*(G)$ completing the proof.

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