

## ON THE STRUCTURE OF THE $C^*$ -ALGEBRA OF THE FOLIATION FORMED BY THE $K$ -ORBITS OF MAXIMAL DIMENSION OF THE REAL DIAMOND GROUP

LE ANH VU

### INTRODUCTION

Recent works of D.N. Diep [5], J. Rosenberg [10], G. G. Kasparov [8], V. M. Son and H. H. Viet [12] ... have shown that  $K$ -functors are well adapted to the description (or characterization) of group  $C^*$ -algebras. Kirillov's method of orbits allows to find out the classes of Lie groups MD and  $\overline{MD}$  in terms of D. N. Diep, for which the group  $C^*$ -algebras can be described by means of suitable  $K$ -functors (see [12]).

In 1982, studying foliated manifolds, A. Connes [4] introduced the concept of the  $C^*$ -algebra associated to a measured foliation. Once again, in the case of Reeb foliations (see A. M. Torpe [14]), the method of  $K$ -functors has been proved as very effective in describing the structure of Connes'  $C^*$ -algebras.

In this paper, we attempt to combine the methods of Kirillov and Connes by considering the foliations formed by the generic  $K$ -orbits of solvable Lie groups. A special interesting case is the case of the real form of the diamond group  $\mathbf{R}.H_3$ .

In [16], we have studied the picture of  $K$ -orbits of  $\mathbf{R}.H_3$  and showed that the family  $\mathcal{F}$  of the  $K$ -orbits of maximal dimension forms a measured foliation  $(V, \mathcal{F})$  in terms of Connes. We call  $(V, \mathcal{F})$  the real diamond foliation.

The purpose of this paper is to describe the structure of the  $C^*$ -algebra  $C^*(V, \mathcal{F})$ . Note that we can not express  $C^*(V, \mathcal{F})$  by a single extension of the form

$$0 \longrightarrow C_0(X) \otimes \mathcal{K} \longrightarrow C^*(V, \mathcal{F}) \longrightarrow C_0(Y) \otimes \mathcal{K} \longrightarrow 0.$$

We will express  $C^*(V, \mathcal{F})$  by two repeated extensions of the form

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\longrightarrow C_0(X_1) \otimes \mathcal{K} \longrightarrow C^*(V, \mathcal{F}) \longrightarrow B_1 \longrightarrow 0 \\ 0 &\longrightarrow C_0(X_2) \otimes \mathcal{K} \longrightarrow B_1 \longrightarrow C_0(Y_2) \otimes \mathcal{K} \longrightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Then we will compute the invariant system of  $C^\infty(V, \mathcal{F})$  with respect to these extensions. If the given  $C^\infty$ -algebra is isomorphic to the reduced crossed product of the form  $C_0(V) \rtimes H$ , where  $H$  is a Lie group, we can use the Thom-Connes isomorphism to compute the connecting maps  $\delta_0, \delta_1$ . Hence, we first will give a new effective description of the real diamond foliation  $(V, \mathcal{F})$  by a smooth action of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  on the foliated manifold  $V$ .

In another paper, we will be concerned with the similar problem for the other groups of the class MD.

The author would like to express his deepest gratitude to Dr. Do Ngoc Diep and Dr. Ho Huu Viet for suggesting this study and for their great help and encouragement.

## 1. THE REAL DIAMOND FOLIATION

Let  $\mathfrak{G}$  be the Lie algebra with the basis  $\{T, X, Y, Z\}$  such that

$$[T, X] = -X, \quad [T, Y] = Y, \quad [X, Y] = Z,$$

$$[T, Z] = [X, Z] = [Y, Z] = 0.$$

The corresponding simply connected Lie group, denoted by  $\mathbf{R}H_3$ , is called the real form of the diamond group or, briefly, the real diamond group.

It is known that  $\mathbf{R}H_3$  belongs to the class MD [see [12]]. We now recall the geometric description of the K-orbits in the dual space  $\mathfrak{G}^*$  of  $\mathfrak{G}$  (see [16]). Let  $\{T^*, X^*, Y^*, Z^*\}$  be the basis in  $\mathfrak{G}^*$  dual to  $\{T, X, Y, Z\}$ . The two-dimensional orbit  $\Omega_F$  including  $F = (\delta, x, \beta, \gamma)$  in  $\mathfrak{G}^* \cong \mathbb{R}^4$  is one of the following forms:

If  $\gamma = 0, \beta = 0, x \neq 0$  then  $\Omega_F = \{(t, x, 0, 0), t \in \mathbb{R}, xz > 0\}$  (the coordinate half-planes  $\mathbb{R}T^* + \mathbb{R}X^*$ );

If  $\gamma = 0, x = 0, \beta \neq 0$  then  $\Omega_F = \{(t, 0, y, 0), t \in \mathbb{R}, y\beta > 0\}$  (the coordinate half-planes  $\mathbb{R}T^* + \mathbb{R}Y^*$ );

If  $\gamma = 0, x\beta \neq 0$  then  $\Omega_F = \{(t, x, y, 0), t \in \mathbb{R}, xy = x\beta, xz > 0, y\beta > 0\}$  (the vertical cylinder with the directrix one of the branches of the hyperbola  $xy = x\beta, t = 0$ );

If  $\gamma \neq 0$  then  $\Omega_F = \{(t, x, y, z), z = \gamma, \gamma(t - \delta) = xy - x\beta\}$  (the hyperbolic paraboloid with the minimum-point  $(\delta - x\beta/\gamma, 0, 0, \gamma)$ ).

It is proved in [16] that the family  $\mathcal{F}$  of the K-orbits of maximal dimension forms the real diamond foliation on the open submanifold

$$V = \{(t, x, y, z) \in \mathfrak{G}^*, x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \neq 0\} \cong \mathbb{R} \times (\mathbb{R}^3)^*$$

PROPOSITION 1. *The real diamond foliation  $(V, \mathcal{F})$  can be given by an action of the commutative Lie group  $\mathbf{R}^2$  on the manifold  $V$ .*

*Proof.* One needs only to verify that the following action  $\lambda$  of  $\mathbf{R}^2$  on  $V$  gives the real diamond foliation

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda: \mathbf{R}^2 \times V &\rightarrow V \\ (r, s) \times (t, x, y, z) &\mapsto (\bar{t}, \bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) \\ \bar{t} &= t + r \frac{x^2 + y^2}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} + r^2 \frac{xyz}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^2} \\ \bar{x} &= e^{-s} \left( x + r \frac{yz}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \right) \\ \bar{y} &= e^s \left( y + r \frac{xz}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \right) \\ \bar{z} &= z. \end{aligned}$$

2.  $C^*(V, \mathcal{F})$  AS TWO REPEATED EXTENSIONS

2.1. Let  $V_1, W_1, V_2, W_2$  be the following submanifolds of  $V$

$$V_1 = \{(t, x, y, z) \in V, z \neq 0\} \cong \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}^2 \times \mathbf{R}^*$$

$$W_1 = V \setminus V_1 = \mathbf{R} \times (\mathbf{R}^2)^*$$

$$V_2 = \{(t, x, y, z) \in W_1, xy \neq 0\} \cong \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}^* \times \mathbf{R}^*$$

$$W_2 = W_1 \setminus V_2 \cong \mathbf{R} \times (\mathbf{R}^* \times \{0\}) \cup \{0\} \times \mathbf{R}^*.$$

It is easy to see that the action  $\lambda$  in Proposition 1 preserves the subsets  $V_1, W_1, V_2, W_2$ . Let  $i_1, i_2, \mu_1, \mu_2$  be the inclusions and the restrictions

$$i_1: C_c(V_1) \rightarrow C_0(V), \quad i_2: C_0(V_2) \rightarrow C_0(W_1)$$

$$\mu_1: C_0(V) \rightarrow C_0(W_1), \quad \mu_2: C_0(W_1) \rightarrow C_0(W_2)$$

where each function of  $C_0(V_1)$  (resp.  $C_0(V_2)$ ) is extended to the one of  $C_0(V)$  (resp.  $C_0(W_1)$ ) by taking the value of zero outside  $V_1$  (resp.  $V_2$ ).

It is a known fact that  $i_1, i_2, \mu_1, \mu_2$  are  $\lambda$ -equivariant and the following sequences are equivariantly exact

$$(2.1.1) \quad 0 \longrightarrow C_0(V_1) \xrightarrow{i_1} C_0(V) \xrightarrow{\mu_1} C_0(W_1) \longrightarrow 0$$

$$(2.1.2) \quad 0 \longrightarrow C_0(V_2) \xrightarrow{i_2} C_0(W_1) \xrightarrow{\mu_2} C_0(W_2) \longrightarrow 0.$$

2.2. Now we denote by  $(V_1, \mathcal{F}_1), (W_1, \mathcal{F}_1), (V_2, \mathcal{F}_2), (W_2, \mathcal{F}_2)$  the foliations-restrictions of  $(V, \mathcal{F})$  on  $V_1, W_1, V_2, W_2$  respectively.

THEOREM 1.  $C^*(V, \mathcal{F})$  admits the following canonical repeated extensions

$$(\gamma_1) \quad 0 \longrightarrow J_1 \xrightarrow{\hat{i}_1} C^*(V, \mathcal{F}) \xrightarrow{\hat{\mu}_1} B_1 \longrightarrow 0,$$

$$(\gamma_2) \quad 0 \longrightarrow J_2 \xrightarrow{\hat{i}_2} B_1 \xrightarrow{\hat{\mu}_2} B_2 \longrightarrow 0,$$

where

$$J_1 = C^*(V_1, \mathcal{F}_1) \cong C_0(V_1) \times_{\lambda} \mathbf{R}^2 \cong C_0(\mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}^*) \otimes \mathcal{K},$$

$$J_2 = C^*(V_2, \mathcal{F}_2) \cong C_0(V_2) \times_{\lambda} \mathbf{R}^2 \cong C_0(\mathbf{R}^* \cup \mathbf{R}^*) \otimes \mathcal{K},$$

$$B_2 = C^*(W_2, \mathcal{F}_2) \cong C_0(W_2) \times_{\lambda} \mathbf{R}^2 \cong \mathbf{C}^4 \otimes \mathcal{K},$$

$$B_1 = C^*(W_1, \mathcal{F}_1) \cong C_0(W_1) \times_{\lambda} \mathbf{R}^2,$$

$$C^*(V, \mathcal{F}) \cong C_0(V) \times_{\lambda} \mathbf{R}^2,$$

and the homomorphisms  $\hat{i}_1, \hat{i}_2, \hat{\mu}_1, \hat{\mu}_2$  are defined by

$$(\hat{i}_k f)(r, s) = i_k f(r, s) \quad k = 1, 2,$$

$$(\hat{\mu}_k f)(r, s) = \mu_k f(r, s) \quad k = 1, 2.$$

*Proof.* We note that the graph of  $(V, \mathcal{F})$  is identical with  $V \times \mathbf{R}^2$ , so by [4, Section 5],  $J_1 = C^*(V_1, \mathcal{F}_1) \cong C_0(V_1) \times_{\lambda} \mathbf{R}^2$ . Similarly, we have

$$B_1 = C_0(W_1) \times_{\lambda} \mathbf{R}^2,$$

$$J_2 = C_0(V_2) \times_{\lambda} \mathbf{R}^2,$$

$$B_2 = C_0(W_2) \times_{\lambda} \mathbf{R}^2,$$

$$C^*(V, \mathcal{F}) = C_0(V) \times_{\lambda} \mathbf{R}^2.$$

From the equivariantly exact sequences in 2.1 and by [3, Lemma I.1] we obtain the repeated extensions  $(\gamma_1)$  and  $(\gamma_2)$ .

Furthermore, the foliation  $(V_1, \mathcal{F}_1)$  can be derived from the submersion

$$p_1: V_1 \cong \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}^2 \times \mathbf{R}^* \longrightarrow \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}^*$$

$$p_1(t, x, y, z) = \left( t - \frac{xy}{z}, z \right).$$

Hence, by a result of [4, p. 562], we get  $J_1 \cong C_0(\mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}^*) \otimes \mathcal{K}$ . The same argument shows that

$$J_2 \cong C_0(\mathbf{R}^* \times \mathbf{R}^*) \otimes \mathcal{K}, \quad B_2 \cong C^4 \otimes \mathcal{K}.$$

### 3. COMPUTING THE SYSTEM OF INVARIANTS OF $C^*(V, \mathcal{F})$

DEFINITION. The set of elements  $\{\gamma_1, \gamma_2\}$  corresponding to the repeated extensions  $(\gamma_1), (\gamma_2)$  in the Kasparov groups  $\text{Ext}(B_i, J_i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$  is called the *system of invariants* of  $C^*(V, \mathcal{F})$  and denoted by  $\text{Index } C^*(V, \mathcal{F})$ .

REMARK.  $\text{Index } C^*(V, \mathcal{F})$  determines the so-called “stable type” of  $C^*(V, \mathcal{F})$  in the set of all repeated extensions

$$0 \longrightarrow J_1 \longrightarrow E \longrightarrow B_1 \longrightarrow 0$$

$$0 \longrightarrow J_2 \longrightarrow B_1 \longrightarrow B_2 \longrightarrow 0.$$

The main result of the paper is the following

THEOREM 2.  $\text{Index } C^*(V, \mathcal{F}) = \{\gamma_1, \gamma_2\}$ , where:

$$\gamma_1 = (1, 1) \text{ in the group } \text{Ext}(B_1, J_1) = \mathbf{Z}^2,$$

$$\gamma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ in the group } \text{Ext}(B_2, J_2) = \text{Hom}(\mathbf{Z}^4, \mathbf{Z}^4).$$

To prove this theorem, we shall need some lemmas. With the notation of Section 2, we have

LEMMA 1. *Set*

$$I_1 = C_0(\mathbf{R}^2 \times \mathbf{R}^*) \quad \text{and} \quad A_1 = C_0(\mathbf{R}^2 \setminus (0, 0)).$$

The following diagram is commutative

$$\begin{array}{cccccccc}
 \dots & \longrightarrow & K_j(I_1) & \longrightarrow & K_j C_0(\mathbf{R}^3 \setminus (0, 0, 0)) & \longrightarrow & K_j(A_1) & \longrightarrow & K_{j+1}(I_1) & \longrightarrow & \dots \\
 & & \downarrow \beta_1 & & \downarrow \beta_1 & & \downarrow \beta_1 & & \downarrow \beta_1 & & \\
 \dots & \longrightarrow & K_{j+1} C_0(V_1) & \longrightarrow & K_{j+1} C_0(V) & \longrightarrow & K_{j+1} C_0(W_1) & \longrightarrow & K_j C_0(V_1) & \longrightarrow & \dots
 \end{array}$$

where  $\beta_1$  is the isomorphism defined in [13, Theorem 9.7] or in [3, Corollary VI. 3],  $j \in \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z}$ .

*Proof.* Let

$$k_1: I_1 = C_0(\mathbf{R}^2 \times \mathbf{R}^3) \longrightarrow C_0(\mathbf{R}^3 \setminus (0, 0, 0))$$

$$v_1: C_0(\mathbf{R}^3 \setminus (0, 0, 0)) \longrightarrow A_1 = C_0(\mathbf{R}^2 \setminus (0, 0))$$

be the inclusion and restriction defined similarly as in 2.1.

One gets the exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow I_1 \xrightarrow{k_1} C_0(\mathbf{R}^3 \setminus (0, 0, 0)) \xrightarrow{v_1} A_1 \longrightarrow 0.$$

Note that

$$C_0(V_1) \cong C_0(\mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}^2 \times \mathbf{R}^3) \cong C_0(\mathbf{R}) \otimes I_1,$$

$$C_0(W_1) \cong C_0(\mathbf{R} \times (\mathbf{R}^2 \setminus (0, 0))) \cong C_0(\mathbf{R}) \otimes A_1,$$

$$C_0(V) \cong C_0(\mathbf{R} \times (\mathbf{R}^3 \setminus (0, 0, 0))) \cong C_0(\mathbf{R}) \otimes C_0(\mathbf{R}^3 \setminus (0, 0, 0)).$$

The extension (2.1.1) thus can be identified to the following one

$$0 \longrightarrow C_0(\mathbf{R}) \otimes I_1 \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes k_1} C_0(\mathbf{R}) \otimes C_0(\mathbf{R}^3 \setminus (0, 0, 0)) \xrightarrow{\text{id} \otimes v_1} C_0(\mathbf{R}) \otimes A_1 \longrightarrow 0.$$

Now, by using [13, Theorem 9.7 and Corollary 9.8] we obtain the assertion of Lemma 1.

LEMMA 2. Set

$$I_2 = C_0 \left( \mathbf{S}^1 \times \left\{ 0, \frac{\pi}{2}, \pi, \frac{3\pi}{2} \right\} \right),$$

where

$$\mathbf{S}^1 = \{e^{i\varphi}, \varphi \in [0, 2\pi]\}.$$

Let

$$k_2: I_2 \rightarrow C(\mathbf{S}^1), \quad v_2: C(\mathbf{S}^1) \rightarrow C \left( \left\{ 0, \frac{\pi}{2}, \pi, \frac{3\pi}{2} \right\} \right) \cong C^0$$

be the inclusion and restriction given as in 2.1. There is the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \dots & \longrightarrow & K_j(I_2) & \xrightarrow{k_{2g}} & K_j C(S^1) & \xrightarrow{v_{2g}} & K_j(C^1) \longrightarrow K_{j+1}(I_2) \longrightarrow \dots \\
 & & \downarrow \beta_2 & & \downarrow \beta_2 & & \downarrow \beta_2 \\
 \dots & \longrightarrow & K_j C_0(V_2) & \longrightarrow & K_j C_0(W_1) & \longrightarrow & K_j C_0(W_2) \longrightarrow K_{j+1} C_0(V_2) \longrightarrow \dots
 \end{array}$$

where  $\beta_2$  is the Bott isomorphism,  $j \in \mathbf{Z}/2\mathbf{Z}$ .

*Proof.* The proof is similar to that of Lemma 1, by using the exact sequence (2.1.2).

Before computing the  $K$ -groups, we need the following notations. Let  $\eta : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow S^1$  be the map

$$\eta(z) = e^{2\pi i(z/\sqrt{1+z^2})}, \quad z \in \mathbf{R}.$$

Denote by  $u_+$  (resp.  $u_-$ ) the restriction of  $\eta$  on  $\mathbf{R}_+$  (resp.  $\mathbf{R}_-$ ). Note that the class  $[u_+]$  (resp.  $[u_-]$ ) is the canonical generator of  $K_1 C_0(\mathbf{R}_+) \cong \mathbf{Z}$  (resp.  $K_1 C_0(\mathbf{R}_-) \cong \mathbf{Z}$ ). Let us consider the matrix valued function  $p : \mathbf{R}^2 \setminus (0, 0) \rightarrow M_2(C)$  defined by:

$$p(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \cos \pi \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} & \frac{x + iy}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \sin \pi \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \\ \frac{x - iy}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \sin \pi \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} & 1 + \cos \pi \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then  $p$  is an idempotent of rank 1 for each  $(x, y) \in \mathbf{R}^2 \setminus (0, 0)$ . Let  $[b] \in K_0 C_0(\mathbf{R}^2)$  be the Bott element,  $[1]$  be the generator of  $K_0 C(S^1) \cong \mathbf{Z}$ ,  $[u]$  be the generator of  $K_1 C(S^1) \cong \mathbf{Z}$  where  $u = \text{id}_{S^1} \in C(S^1)$ . The vectors  $e_1 = (1, 0, 0, 0)$ ,  $e_2 = (0, 1, 0, 0)$ ,  $e_3 = (0, 0, 1, 0)$ ,  $e_4 = (0, 0, 0, 1)$  form a basis of  $K_0 C^3 = \mathbf{Z}^4$ .

Let  $\zeta \in C(S^1)$  be the map  $\zeta(e^{i\varphi}) = e^{4i\varphi}$ ,  $\varphi \in [0, 2\pi]$  and  $u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4$  be the restrictions of  $\zeta$  on  $(0, \pi/2)$ ,  $(\pi/2, \pi)$ ,  $(\pi, 3\pi/2)$ ,  $(3\pi/2, 2\pi)$  respectively. Then the class  $[u_1]$  is a generator of  $K_1 C_0(0, \pi/2) \cong \mathbf{Z}$  and similarly for  $[u_i]$ ,  $i = 2, 3, 4$ . The elements  $[u_i]$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$  are, therefore, generators of  $K_1(I_2)$ ,

$$K_1(I_2) := K_1 C_0(0, \pi/2) \oplus K_1 C_0(\pi/2, \pi) \oplus K_1 C_0(\pi, 3\pi/2) \oplus K_1 C_0(3\pi/2, 2\pi) \cong \mathbf{Z}^4$$

where  $I_2$  is defined in Lemma 2.

LEMMA 3.

- (i)  $K_0 C^*(V, \mathcal{F}) \cong \mathbf{Z}^2$ ;  $K_1 C^*(V, \mathcal{F}) = 0$ ,

(ii)  $K_0(J_1) \cong \mathbb{Z}^2$  is generated by  $\varphi_0\beta_1([b] \boxtimes [u_+])$  and  $\varphi_0\beta_1([b] \boxtimes [u_-])$ ;  $K_1(J_1) = 0$ ,

(iii)  $K_0(B_1) \cong \mathbb{Z}$  is generated by  $\varphi_0\beta_1([1] \boxtimes [u_+])$ ,  $K_1(B_1) \cong \mathbb{Z}$  is generated by  $\varphi_1\beta_1([p] - [e_1])$ ,

where  $\varphi_j, j \in \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ , is the Thom-Combes isomorphism (see [3]),  $\beta_1$  is the isomorphism in Lemma 1,  $\varepsilon_1$  is the constant matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\boxtimes$  is the external tensor product (see, for example, [3, VI, 2]).

*Proof.* Consider the extension

$$0 \rightarrow C_0(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (0, 0, 0)) \rightarrow C_0(\mathbb{R}^3) \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \rightarrow 0.$$

Using the K-theoretical exact sequence associated to this extension, we obtain  $K_0 C_0(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (0, 0, 0)) = 0$  and  $K_1 C_0(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (0, 0, 0)) \cong \mathbb{Z}^2$ .

On the other hand, for  $j \in \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  we have

$$K_j(I_1) = K_j C_0(\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2) \cong K_j(C_0(\mathbb{R}^2) \otimes C_0(\mathbb{R}_+)) \oplus K_j(C_0(\mathbb{R}^2) \otimes C_0(\mathbb{R}_-)).$$

Thus,  $K_0(I_1) = 0$  and  $K_1(I_1) \cong \mathbb{Z}^2$  is generated by  $[b] \boxtimes [u_+]$  and  $[b] \boxtimes [u_-]$  (see [3, Corollary VI. 3]).

Using the polar coordinates we can identify  $\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus (0, 0)$  with  $S^1 \times \mathbb{R}_+$ , hence  $A_1 = C_0(\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus (0, 0)) \cong C(S^1) \otimes C_0(\mathbb{R}_+)$ . By the Künneth formula (see [11, Theorem 4.14]),  $[u] \boxtimes [u_+]$  and  $[1] \boxtimes [u_+]$  are generators of  $K_0(A_1) \cong \mathbb{Z}$  and  $K_1(A_1) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ , respectively. Moreover, it follows from [3, Lemma VI.2] that  $[u] \boxtimes [u_+] = [p] - [e_1]$ . Now the proof is complete by means of the isomorphisms  $\beta_1$  and  $\varphi_j, j \in \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ .

LEMMA 4. (i)  $K_0(B_1) \cong \mathbb{Z}$  is generated by  $\varphi_0\beta_2([1])$ ,  $K_1(B_1) \cong \mathbb{Z}$  is generated by  $\varphi_1\beta_2([u])$ ,

(ii)  $K_0(J_2) = 0$ ,  $K_1(J_2) = \mathbb{Z}^4$  is generated by  $\varphi_1\beta_2([u_i])$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ ,

(iii)  $K_0(B_2) = \mathbb{Z}^4$  is generated by  $\varphi_0\beta_2([e_i])$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ ,  $K_1(B_2) = 0$ ,

where  $\beta_2$  is the Bott isomorphism in Lemma 2 and  $\varphi_j, j \in \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ , is the Thom-Combes isomorphism (see [3]).

*Proof.* The proof is straightforward because  $\beta_2$  and  $\varphi_j$  are isomorphisms.

*Proof of Theorem 2.*

1. *Computation of  $\gamma_1$ .* Recall that the extension  $(\gamma_2)$  in Theorem 1 gives rise to a six-term exact sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} K_0 J_1 & \longrightarrow & K_0 C^*(V, \mathcal{F}) & \longrightarrow & K_0 B_1 \\ \uparrow \delta_1 & & & & \downarrow \delta_0 \\ K_1 B_1 & \longleftarrow & K_1 C^*(V, \mathcal{F}) & \longleftarrow & K_1 J_1 = 0. \end{array}$$



By [11, Theorem 4.14], the isomorphism  $\text{Ext}(B_1, J_1) \cong \text{Hom}(K_1 B_1, K_0 J_1) \cong \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}^3)$  associates the invariant  $\gamma_1 \in \text{Ext}(B_1, J_1)$  to the connecting map  $\delta_1 : K_1 B_1 \rightarrow K_0 J_1$ .

Since the Thom-Connes isomorphism commutes with  $K$ -theoretical exact sequence (see [14, Lemma 3.4.3]), we have the following commutative diagram ( $j \in \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ ):

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \dots & \longrightarrow & K_j(J_1) & \longrightarrow & K_j C^*(V, \mathcal{F}) & \longrightarrow & K_j(B_1) & \xrightarrow{\delta_j} & K_{j+1}(J_1) & \longrightarrow & \dots \\ & & \uparrow \varrho_j & & \uparrow \varrho_j & & \uparrow \varrho_j & & \uparrow \varrho_{j+1} & & \\ \dots & \longrightarrow & K_j C_0(V_1) & \longrightarrow & K_j C_0(V) & \longrightarrow & K_j C_0(W_1) & \xrightarrow{\delta_j} & K_{j+1} C_0(V_1) & \longrightarrow & \dots \end{array}$$

In view of Lemma 1, the following diagram is commutative

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \dots & \longrightarrow & K_j C_0(V_1) & \longrightarrow & K_j C_0(V) & \longrightarrow & K_j C_0(W_1) & \xrightarrow{\delta_j} & K_{j+1} C_0(V_1) & \longrightarrow & \dots \\ & & \uparrow \beta_1 & & \uparrow \beta_1 & & \uparrow \beta_1 & & \uparrow \beta_1 & & \\ \dots & \longrightarrow & K_{j-1} I_1 & \longrightarrow & K_{j-1} C_0(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (0, 0, 0)) & \longrightarrow & K_{j-1} A_1 & \xrightarrow{\delta_{j-1}} & K_j I_1 & \longrightarrow & \dots \end{array}$$

( $j \in \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ ).

Consequently, instead of computing  $\delta_1 : K_1 B_1 \rightarrow K_0 J_1$ , it is sufficient to compute  $\delta_0 : K_0 A_1 \rightarrow K_1 I_1$ . Thus, by the proof of Lemma 3, we have to define  $\delta_0([p] - [\varepsilon_1]) = \delta_0([p])$  because  $\delta_0([\varepsilon_1]) = 0$ . By the usual definition (see [13, p. 170]), for  $[p] \in K_0 A_1$ ,  $\delta_0([p]) = [e^{2\pi i \tilde{p}}] \in K_1 I_1$  where  $\tilde{p}$  is a preimage of  $p$  in (a matrix algebra over)  $C_0(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (0, 0, 0))$  i.e.  $v_1 \tilde{p} = p$ .

We can choose  $\tilde{p}(x, y, z) = \frac{z}{\sqrt{1+z^2}} p(x, y)$ ,  $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (0, 0, 0)$ .

Let  $\tilde{p}_+$  (resp.  $\tilde{p}_-$ ) be the restriction of  $\tilde{p}$  on  $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}_+$  (resp.  $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}_-$ ). Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_0([p]) &= [e^{2\pi i \tilde{p}}] = [e^{2\pi i \tilde{p}_+}] + [e^{2\pi i \tilde{p}_-}] \in \\ &\in K_1(C_0(\mathbb{R}^2) \otimes C_0(\mathbb{R}_+)) \oplus K_1(C_0(\mathbb{R}^2) \otimes C_0(\mathbb{R}_-)) = K_1 I_1. \end{aligned}$$

By [13, Section 4], for each function  $f: \mathbb{R}_{\pm} \rightarrow Q_n \widehat{C_0(\mathbb{R}^2)}$  such that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm 0} f(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm \infty} f(t)$ , where  $Q_n \widehat{C_0(\mathbb{R}^2)} = \{a \in M_n \widehat{C_0(\mathbb{R}^2)}, e^{2\pi i a} = \text{Id}\}$ , the class  $[f] \in K_1(C_0(\mathbb{R}^2) \otimes C_0(\mathbb{R}_{\pm}))$  can be determined by

$$[f] = W_f \cdot [b] \cdot [u_{\pm}],$$

where  $W_f = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\mathbb{R}_{\pm}} \text{Tr}(f'(z)f^{-1}(z))dz$  is the winding number of  $f$ .

By simple computation, we get  $\delta_0[p] = [b] \cdot ([u_4] + [b]) \cdot [u_1]$ . Thus  $\gamma_1 := (1, 1) \in \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}^2) \cong \mathbb{Z}^2$ .

2. *Computation of  $\gamma_2$ .* The extension  $(\gamma_2)$  gives rise to a six-term exact sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} 0 & := & K_0 J_2 & \longrightarrow & K_0 B_1 & \longrightarrow & K_0 B_2 \\ & & \uparrow \phi_2 & & & & \downarrow \delta_0 \\ & & K_1 B_2 & \longleftarrow & K_1 B_1 & \longleftarrow & K_1 J_2. \end{array}$$

By [11, Theorem 4.14],  $\gamma_2 := \delta_0 \in \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(K_0 B_2, K_1 J_2) = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Z}^4, \mathbb{Z}^4)$ . Similarly to part 1, taking account of Lemma 2, we have the following commutative diagram ( $j \in \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ ):

$$\begin{array}{cccccccc} \dots & \longrightarrow & K_j J_1 & \longrightarrow & K_j B_1 & \longrightarrow & K_j B_2 & \xrightarrow{\delta_0} & K_{j+1} J_2 & \longrightarrow & \dots \\ & & \uparrow \phi_j & & \uparrow \phi_j & & \uparrow \phi_j & & \uparrow \phi_{j+1} & & \\ \dots & \longrightarrow & K_j C_0(V_2) & \longrightarrow & K_j C_0(W_2) & \longrightarrow & K_j C_0(W_2) & \longrightarrow & K_{j+1} C_0(V_2) & \longrightarrow & \dots \\ & & \uparrow \beta_2 & & \uparrow \beta_2 & & \uparrow \beta_2 & & \uparrow \beta_2 & & \\ \dots & \longrightarrow & K_j J_2 & \longrightarrow & K_j C_0(S^1) & \longrightarrow & K_j C^4 & \xrightarrow{\delta_0} & K_{j+1} I_2 & \longrightarrow & \dots \end{array}$$

Thus we can compute  $\delta_0 : K_0 C^4 \rightarrow K_1 I_2$  instead of  $\delta_0 : K_0 B_2 \rightarrow K_1 J_2$ . First, we will compute  $\delta_0[e_1]$ . An element  $\tilde{e}_1 \in C(S^1)$  with the property that  $v_2(\tilde{e}_1) = e_1$  is given by  $\tilde{e}_1(e^{i\varphi}) = l_1(\varphi)$ , where  $l_1 \in C[0, 2\pi]$  is a function satisfying

$$\begin{cases} l_1(0) = l_1(2\pi) = 1 \\ l_1(\varphi) = 0 \quad \text{if } \varphi \in \left[ \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2} \right]. \end{cases}$$

Let  $\tilde{e}_{11}$  (resp.  $\tilde{e}_{12}, \tilde{e}_{13}, \tilde{e}_{14}$ ) be the restriction of  $\tilde{e}_1$  on  $(0, \pi/2)$  (resp.  $(\pi/2, \pi), (\pi, 3\pi/2), (3\pi/2, 2\pi)$ ).

We get

$$\delta_0([e_1]) = [e^{2\pi i \tilde{e}_1}] = \sum_{i=-1}^4 [e^{2\pi i \tilde{e}_i}] \in K_1(I_2).$$

It is immediate that  $\tilde{e}_{12}, \tilde{e}_{13}$  are zero, so

$$[e^{2\pi i \tilde{e}_{12}}] = [e^{2\pi i \tilde{e}_{13}}] = 0.$$

By [3, Lemma VI. 5], we get

$$[c^{2\pi i \tilde{e}_{11}}] = w_{11}[u_1], \quad [c^{2\pi i \tilde{e}_{14}}] = w_{14}[u_4]$$

where  $w_{11}$  and  $w_{14}$  are the winding numbers given by

$$w_{11} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{d}{d\varphi} (e^{2\pi i \tilde{e}_{11}}) e^{-2\pi i \tilde{e}_{11}} d\varphi = -1$$

$$w_{14} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{3\pi/2}^{2\pi} \frac{d}{d\varphi} (e^{2\pi i \tilde{e}_{14}}) e^{-2\pi i \tilde{e}_{14}} d\varphi = 1.$$

Thus,  $\delta_0([e_1]) = -[u_1] + [u_4]$ .

Similarly,  $\delta_0[e_i] = [u_{i-1}] - [u_i]$ ,  $i = 2, 3, 4$ . Then  $\gamma_2 = \delta_0 \in \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\mathbb{Z}^4, \mathbb{Z}^4)$  is given by the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The proof is complete.

#### REFERENCES

1. ATIYAH, M. F., *K-theory*, Benjamin, New York, 1976.
2. BROWN, L. G.; DOUGLAS, R. G.; FILLMORE, P. A., Extension of C\*-algebras and K-homology, *Ann. of Math.*, **105**(1977), 265-324.
3. CONNES, A., An analogue of the Thom isomorphism for crossed products of a C\*-algebra by an action of  $\mathbb{R}$ , *Adv. in Math.*, **39**(1981), 31-55.
4. CONNES, A., A survey of foliation and operator algebras, *Proc. Sympos. Pure Math.*, **38**(1982), 521-628.
5. ДИП, Д. Н., Structure of the group C\*-algebra of the group of affine transformations of the line (Russian), *Funktsional. Anal. i Prilozhen.*, **9**(1975), 63-64.
6. ДИП, Д. Н., On the structure of the type I C\*-algebras (Russian), *Vestnik Moskov. Univ. Ser. I Mat. Mekh.*, (1978), 81-87.
7. KAROUBI, M., *K-theory: An introduction*, Grund. der Math. Wiss. n° 226, Springer-Verlag, Berlin-Heidelberg-New York, 1978.

8. KASPAROV, G. G., Operator K-functor and extension of  $C^*$ -algebras (Russian), *Izv. Akad. Nauk SSSR, Ser. Mat.*, **44**(1980), 571–636.
9. KIRILLOV, A. A., *Elements of the theory of representations*, Springer-Verlag, Berlin · Heidelberg · New York, 1976.
10. ROSENBERG, J., The  $C^*$ -algebras of some real and p-adic solvable groups, *Pacific J. Math.*, **65**(1976), 175–192.
11. ROSENBERG, J., Homological invariants of extension of  $C^*$ -algebras, *Proc. Sympos. Pure Math.*, **38**(1982), AMS Providence R.I., 1982, 35–75.
12. SON, V. M.; VIET, H. H., Sur la structure des  $C^*$ -algèbres d'une classe de groupes de Lie, *J. Operator Theory*, **11**(1984), 77–90.
13. TAYLOR, J. L., Banach algebras and topology, in *Algebra in Analysis*, (J. Williamson Ed.), Academic Press, New York, 1975.
14. TORPE, A. M., K-theory for the leaf space of foliations by Reeb components, *J. Func. Anal.*, **61**(1985), 15–71.
15. VIET, H. H., Sur la structure des  $C^*$ -algèbres d'une classe de groupes de Lie résolubles de dimension 3, *Acta Math. Vietnam.*, **11**(1986), 1, 86–91.
16. VU, L. A., The foliation formed by the K-orbits of maximal dimension of the real diamond group (Vietnamese), *J. Math. Vietnam.*, **XV**(1987), 7–10.

LE ANH VU  
Institute of Mathematics,  
Box 631 BoHo, Hanoi,  
Vietnam.