

# Product systems and topological higher-rank graphs

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## Abstract

In 2006, Yeend introduced the notion of a topological higher-rank graph, generalising both Katsura's topological graphs and Kumjian and Pask's  $k$ -graphs. Yeend associated to each topological higher-rank graph  $\Lambda$  a groupoid  $\mathcal{G}_\Lambda$  and hence a  $C^*$ -algebra  $C^*(\Lambda)$ . However, except under additional hypotheses, the obstructions to proving versions of the standard uniqueness theorems for  $C^*(\Lambda)$  using groupoid technology have proven substantial.

In this talk we discuss how product systems of Hilbert bimodules and the notion of co-universal properties can be used to realise Yeend's algebras and establish the missing uniqueness theorems.