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CHARACTERIZATION OF CONDITIONAL EXPECTATIONS FOR M -SPACE-VALUED FUNCTIONS

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Introduction Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$ be a probability space, E a Banach space. We consider constant-preserving contractive projections of $L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, E)$ into itself. If $E=R$ or E is a strictly-convex Banach space, then it is known (Ando [2], Douglas [3] and Landers and Rogge [6]) that such operators coincide precisely with the conditional expectation operators. If $E=L_1(X, S, \lambda, R)$, where (X, S, λ) is a localizable measure space, then the author [8] proved that such operators which are translation invariant coincide with the conditional expectation operators. If $E=L_\infty(X, S, \lambda, R)$, where (X, S, λ) is a measure space, and the dimension of E is bigger than 2, then author [9] proved that such operators coincide with the conditional expectation operators. On the other hand if $E=L_\infty(X, S, \lambda, R)$ and the dimension of E is 2, then the author [9] proved that such operators can be expressed as a linear combination of two conditional expectation operators. In this paper we deal with the case that E is an M -space. An L_∞ -space is an M -space, and hence this paper contains the result of the author [9] as a special case. If E is an M -space, whose dimension is bigger than 2, then such operators coincide with conditional expectation operators. If E is an M -space with unit, i.e., the unit ball in E has a least upper bound, then we can prove many of lemmas in this paper by easier way. In this paper we do not assume that E is an M -space with unit.

1. Definitions and properties of M -spaces. Let E be a real linear space and N the class of natural numbers and R the class of real numbers.

DEFINITION 1.1. A lattice (E, \leq) is an ordered linear space such that

- (1) $a \leq a$ for any $a \in E$;
- (2) if $a, b \in E$, $a \leq b$ and $b \leq a$, then $a=b$;
- (3) if $a, b, c \in E$ and $a \leq b$ and $b \leq c$, then $a \leq c$;
- (4) if $a \leq b$, then $a+c \leq b+c$ for any $c \in E$;
- (5) if $0 \leq a$ in E , then $0 \leq ka$ in E for any $k \geq 0$ in R ;
- (6) $\sup \{a, b\}$ and $\inf \{a, b\}$ exist for any $a, b \in E$.

In a lattice we write $a \vee b = \sup \{a, b\}$, $a \wedge b = \inf \{a, b\}$, $a^+ = a \vee 0$, $a^- = (-a) \vee 0$ and $|a| = a \vee (-a)$ for any $a, b \in E$. Let $E^+ = \{a \in E; a \geq 0\}$. Note that $a \wedge b = 0$ implies that $a, b \in E^+$. If $a \in E^+$ and $a \neq 0$, then we write $a > 0$. We also use \vee and \wedge for real numbers, and hence $k \vee h = \sup \{k, h\}$ and $k \wedge h = \inf \{k, h\}$ for $k, h \in R$.

DEFINITION 1.2. An M -space $(E, \leq, \|\ \|)$ is a normed lattice such that

- (1) $(a \vee b) \wedge c = (a \wedge c) \vee (b \wedge c)$ for any $a, b, c \in E$;
- (2) E is complete under $\|\ \|$;
- (3) $\|a \vee b\| = \|a\| \vee \|b\|$ for any $a, b \in E^+$;
- (4) If $a, b \in E$ and $|a| \leq b$, then $\|a\| \leq \|b\|$. In particular $\| |a| \| = \|a\|$.

Lemma 1.1. *If E is an M -space, then there exist a Hausdorff compact space X , a linear operator T of E into $C(X)$ and a linear subspace F of $C(X)$ which satisfy the following conditions, where $C(X)$ is the class of real-valued continuous functions on X with the norm $\|d\| = \sup \{|d(x)|; x \in X\}$ for $d \in C(X)$.*

- (1) $d \vee e \in F$ for $d, e \in F$, where \vee is defined by

$$(d \vee e)(x) = \sup \{d(x), e(x)\}.$$

- (2) T is a one-to-one operator onto F such that

$$T(a \vee b) = T(a) \vee T(b)$$

and

$$\|T(a)\| = \|a\|.$$

For the proof see Aliprantis and Bourkinshaw [1] p. 75.

Let $E_h = \{a^*; a^* \text{ is a linear functional of } E \text{ into } R, \|a^*\| \leq 1, \text{ i.e., } |a^*(a)| \leq \|a\| \text{ for } a \in E \text{ and } a^*(a \vee b) = a^*(a) \vee a^*(b) \text{ for } a, b \in E\}$.

Lemma 1.2. *For any $a \in E$ there exists $a^* \in E_h$ such that $|a^*(a)| = \|a\|$.*

Proof. By Lemma 1.1 $T(a) \in C(X)$ and $\|a\| = \|T(a)\|$. We can choose $x \in X$ such that $|T(a)(x)| = \|T(a)\|$. We define a^* by $a^*(b) = T(b)(x)$ for any $b \in E$. Then a^* is linear and

$$|a^*(a)| = |T(a)(x)| = \|T(a)\| = \|a\|.$$

By the definition of a^*

$$\begin{aligned} a^*(b \vee c) &= T(b \vee c)(x) = (T(b) \vee T(c))(x) = (T(b)(x)) \vee (T(c)(x)) \\ &= a^*(b) \vee a^*(c). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $a^* \in E_h$.

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Lemma 1.3. *Let $a \in E$ and $b, c, d \in E^+$. Then*

- (1) $(a \wedge b) \vee -b = (a \vee -b) \wedge b,$
- (2) $((-a) \wedge b) \vee -b = -((a \wedge b) \vee -b),$
- (3) $((a \wedge b) \vee -b)^+ = a^+ \wedge b,$
- (4) $((a \wedge b) \vee -b)^- = a^- \wedge b,$
- (5) $|(a \wedge b) \vee -b| = |a| \wedge b$

and

- (6) $(b+c) \wedge d \leq b \wedge d + c \wedge d.$

Proof. Since $b \in E^+$, for any $a \in E$

$$(a \wedge b) \vee -b = (a \wedge b) \vee ((-b) \wedge b) = (a \vee -b) \wedge b,$$

and hence we have (1). Since a is arbitrary, by (1)

$$((-a) \wedge b) \vee -b = ((-a) \vee -b) \wedge b = -((a \wedge b) \vee -b),$$

which implies (2). Since $b \in E^+$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} ((a \wedge b) \vee -b)^+ &= ((a \wedge b) \vee -b) \vee 0 = (a \wedge b) \vee 0 \\ &= (a \vee 0) \wedge (b \vee 0) = a^+ \wedge b, \end{aligned}$$

which implies (3). By (2) and (3)

$$\begin{aligned} ((a \wedge b) \vee -b)^- &= -((a \wedge b) \vee -b)^+ = (((-a) \wedge b) \vee -b)^+ \\ &= (-a)^+ \wedge b = a^- \wedge b, \end{aligned}$$

which implies (4). Since $a^+ \wedge a^- = 0$, by (3) and (4)

$$\begin{aligned} |(a \wedge b) \vee -b| &= a^+ \wedge b + a^- \wedge b = (a^+ \wedge b) \vee (a^- \wedge b) \\ &= (a^+ \vee a^-) \wedge b = |a| \wedge b. \end{aligned}$$

For the proof of (6) see Fremlin [4] p.14.

Q.E.D.

Lemma 1.4. For any $a, b \in E$ and $c, d \in E^+$ we have

- (1) $\|(a \wedge c) \vee -c \pm (b \wedge c) \vee -c\| \leq \|a \pm b\|,$
- (2) $\|c + a^-\| \leq \|c\| \vee \|a - c\|$

and

- (3) $\|c - d\| \leq \|c\| \vee \|d\|.$

If in addition $|a| \wedge c = 0$, then

- (4) $\|a + c\| = \|a\| \vee \|c\|.$

Proof. By Lemma 1.2 there exists $a^* \in E^*$ such that

- (5) $\|(a \wedge c) \vee -c \pm (b \wedge c) \vee -c\| = |a^*((a \wedge c) \vee -c \pm (b \wedge c) \vee -c)|.$

We may assume that $a^*(c) \geq 0$.

By the definition of E_h

- (6) $|a^*((a \wedge c) \vee -c \pm (b \wedge c) \vee -c)| = |(a^*(a) \wedge a^*(c)) \vee -a^*(c)|$

$$\pm(a^*(b) \wedge a^*(c)) \vee -a^*(c)|.$$

Since $a^*(a), a^*(b) \in R$, $a^*(c) \geq 0$ and $\|a^*\| \leq 1$, we have

$$(7) \quad |(a^*(a) \wedge a^*(c)) \vee -a^*(c) \pm (a^*(b) \wedge a^*(c)) \vee -a^*(c)| \\ \leq |a^*(a) \pm a^*(b)| \leq \|a \pm b\|.$$

By (5), (6) and (7) we have (1).

$$c \vee |a-c| \geq c \vee (c-a) = c + (0 \vee (-a)) = c + a^- \geq 0,$$

and hence by Definition 1.2 (4) we have

$$\|c \vee |a-c|\| \geq \|c + a^-\|.$$

By Definition 1.2 (3) and (4)

$$\|c \vee |a-c|\| = \|c\| \vee \| |a-c|\| = \|c\| \vee \|a-c\|,$$

and hence we have (2).

Since $c, d \in E$ implies that $|c-d| \leq c \vee d$, by Definition 1.2(3) and (4) we have

$$\|c-d\| \leq \|c \vee d\| = \|c\| \vee \|d\|.$$

If $|a| \wedge c = 0$, then

$$|a+c| = |a| + c = |a| \vee c.$$

Therefore by Definition 1.2(3) and (4)

$$\|a+c\| = \| |a+c|\| = \| |a| \vee c\| = \|a\| \vee \|c\|. \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

Lemma 1.5. For any $b, c \in E^+$ with $b \wedge c = 0$ and $x \in E$

$$(1) \quad \|x+b \pm c\| \geq \|(x \wedge b) \vee -b + b\| \vee \|(x \wedge c) \vee -c \pm c\|$$

Proof. Since $b \wedge c = 0$ implies that $c \wedge 2b = 0$,

$$b = b - c \wedge 2b = (b-c) \vee -b \leq ((b \pm c) \wedge b) \vee -b \leq b.$$

Therefore

$$(2) \quad ((b \pm c) \wedge b) \vee -b = b.$$

Since $b \wedge (c \pm c) \leq b \wedge 2c = 0$, we have

$$(3) \quad ((b \pm c) \wedge c) \vee -c = ((b \wedge (c \mp c)) \pm c) \vee -c = (\pm c) \vee -c = \pm c.$$

By (2), (3) and Lemma 1.4 (1)

$$\|x+b \pm c\| \\ \geq \|(x \wedge b) \vee -b + ((b \pm c) \wedge b) \vee -b\| \vee \|(x \wedge c) \vee -c + ((b \pm c) \wedge c) \vee -c\| \\ \geq \|(x \wedge b) \vee -b + b\| \vee \|(x \wedge c) \vee -c \pm c\| \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

2. A characterization of conditional expectation. Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$ be a probability space and for any $A \in \mathcal{A}$ we denote by I_A the indicator function of

A. Let $L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, E)$ be the class of E -valued Bochner integrable functions, which is a Banach space with the norm $\| \cdot \|_L$ defined by

$$\|f\|_L = \int \|f(\omega)\| d\mu \quad \text{for any } f \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, E).$$

Let $L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, E^+) = \{f \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, E); f(\omega) \in E^+(a.e.\omega)\}$. For any $f \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, E)$ and $a \in E$ we define $f+a$ by

$$(f+a)(\omega) = f(\omega) + a.$$

For any $\psi \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, R)$ and $a \in E$ we define ψa by $(\psi a)(\omega) = \psi(\omega) a$. Then $\|\psi a\|_L = \|a\| \|\psi\|_L$. For the definition and properties of Bochner integral, see Hille and Phillips [5].

DEFINITION 2.1. For a σ -subalgebra \mathcal{B} of \mathcal{A} , a function g is called the conditional expectation of f given \mathcal{B} if g is measurable with respect to \mathcal{B} , and

$$\int_B g d\mu = \int_B f d\mu \quad \text{for each } B \in \mathcal{B},$$

where the integral is the Bochner integral. We denote by $f^{\mathcal{B}}$ the conditional expectation of f given \mathcal{B} .

DEFINITION 2.2. Let P be a linear operator of $L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, E)$ into itself. P is said to be *contractive* if

$$\|P\| = \sup \{\|P(f)\|_L; f \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, E) \text{ and } \|f\|_L = 1\} \leq 1,$$

P is *constant-preserving* if $P(I_{\Omega} a) = I_{\Omega} a$ for each $a \in E$ and P is called a *projection* if $P \circ P = P$, where I_{Ω} is the indicator function of Ω .

Lemma 2.1. For each $f \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, E)$ the conditional expectation of f exists uniquely up to almost everywhere and the conditional expectation operator $(\cdot)^{\mathcal{B}}$ is a constant-preserving contractive projection for each σ -subalgebra \mathcal{B} of \mathcal{A} .

For the proof see Schwartz [10].

Lemma 2.2. If P is a constant-preserving contractive projection of $L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, R)$ into itself, then there exists a σ -subalgebra \mathcal{B} of \mathcal{A} such that $P(f) = f^{\mathcal{B}}$ for any $f \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, R)$.

For the proof see Douglas [3]. Note that this Lemma is for the real-valued functions.

Lemma 2.3. If a^* is a bounded linear operator of E into R and $f \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, E)$, then we have

$$a^*\left(\int f(\omega) d\mu\right) = \int a^*(f(\omega)) d\mu.$$

For the proof see Hille and Phillips [5].

Lemma 2.4. *Let Q be a constant-preserving contractive projection of $L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, E)$ into itself. If $a, b, c \in E^+$ with $a \wedge b = b \wedge c = c \wedge a = 0$ and $b > 0$, then for any $\psi \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, R)$ we have*

$$(1) \quad (Q(\psi a)(\omega) \wedge c) \vee -c = 0 \text{ (a.e.}\omega)$$

Proof. If $a=0$ or $c=0$, then this Lemma is trivial. So we may assume that $\|a\| = \|b\| = \|c\| = 1$. First we assume that $|\psi(\omega)| \leq 1$ (a.e. ω).

Let $e = \int |(Q(\psi a) \wedge c) \vee -c| d\mu = \int |Q(\psi a)| \wedge c d\mu$, where the last equation comes from Lemma 1.3 (5).

Suppose that $e > 0$. Then there exist $k \in R^+$ and $d^* \in E_n$ such that $d^*(ke) = \|ke\| = 1$. Let $d = ke \vee c$, then $\|d\| = 1$.

Since $e \leq c, a \wedge d = d \wedge b = 0$.

Since $d^*(c) \leq \|c\| = 1$,

$$d^*(d) = d^*(ke \vee c) = d^*(ke) \vee d^*(c) = 1.$$

Let $f(\omega) = (Q(\psi a)(\omega) \wedge b) \vee -b$

and

$$g(\omega) = (Q(\psi a)(\omega) \wedge d) \vee -d.$$

By Lemma 1.3 (5) $|g(\omega)| = |Q(\psi a)(\omega)| \wedge d$, and hence by Lemma 2.3 we have

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} 1 = d^*(ke) &= kd^*\left(\int |Q(\psi a)| \wedge c d\mu\right) \\ &\leq kd^*\left(\int |Q(\psi a)| \wedge d d\mu\right) \\ &\leq kd^*\left(\int |g| d\mu\right) \\ &= k \int d^*(|g|) d\mu, \end{aligned}$$

where the last equation comes from Lemma 2.3.

Since $|\psi(\omega)| \leq 1$ (a.e. ω) and $a \wedge b = b \wedge d = d \wedge a = 0$ with

$$\|a\| = \|b\| = \|d\| = 1,$$

by Lemma 1.4 (4)

$$\|\psi(\omega) a + b \pm d\| = \|\psi(\omega) a\| \vee \|b\| \vee \|d\| = 1 \text{ (a.e.}\omega).$$

Q is constant-preserving and contractive, and hence

$$(3) \quad 1 = \int \|\psi a + b \pm d\| d\mu \geq \int \|Q(\psi a) + b \pm d\| d\mu.$$

By Lemma 1.5 we have

$$(4) \quad \int \|Q(\psi a) + b \pm d\| d\mu \geq \int \|f + b\| \vee \|g \pm d\| d\mu .$$

By the property of integral we have

$$(5) \quad \begin{aligned} & \int \|f + b\| \vee \|g \pm d\| d\mu \\ & \geq \int \|f + b\| d\mu \vee \int \|g \pm d\| d\mu \\ & \geq \int \|f + b\| d\mu \wedge \int \|g \pm d\| d\mu \\ & \geq \| \int f d\mu + b \| \wedge \| \int g d\mu \pm d \| . \end{aligned}$$

Therefore by (3), (4) and (5)

$$1 \geq \int \|g \pm d\| d\mu \geq \| \int g d\mu \pm d \| .$$

Since $\| \int g d\mu + d \| + \| \int g d\mu - d \| \geq 2 \|d\| = 2$, we have

$$(6) \quad \| \int g d\mu \pm d \| = 1 .$$

Similarly we can prove that

$$(7) \quad \| \int f d\mu + b \| = 1 .$$

Therefore by (3), (4), (5), (6) and (7)

$$\begin{aligned} \|g(\omega) + d\| &= \|f(\omega) + b\| \\ &= \|g(\omega) - d\| . \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\|g(\omega) + d\| + \|g(\omega) - d\| \geq 2 \|d\| = 2 ,$$

by (5) we have

$$(8) \quad \|g(\omega) + d\| = \|g(\omega) - d\| = 1 \text{ (a.e.}\omega \text{)} .$$

By the definition of $g(\omega)$ we have $d - g(\omega), d + g(\omega) \geq 0$ (a.e. ω), and hence by (8)

$$\begin{aligned} & \|d + |g(\omega)| \| \\ &= \|(d - g(\omega)) \vee (d + g(\omega))\| \\ &= \|d - g(\omega)\| \vee \|d + g(\omega)\| = 1 \text{ (a.e.}\omega \text{)} . \end{aligned}$$

Since $d^*(d) = 1$,

$$1 + d^*(|g(\omega)|) = d^*(d + |g(\omega)|) \\ \leq \|d + |g(\omega)|\| \leq 1 \quad (a.e.\omega).$$

Therefore we have

$$d^*(|g(\omega)|) = 0 \quad (a.e.\omega),$$

which contradicts (2). (1) remains valid for any bounded function ψ . Since an arbitrary function can be approximated by bounded functions, by Lemma 1.4(1) we can prove (1). Q.E.D.

Lemma 2.5. *Suppose that there exist $a, b, c \in E$ with $a \wedge b = b \wedge c = c \wedge a = 0$ and $a, b, c > 0$. Then*

$$(1) \quad Q(\psi a)(\omega) \in E^+(a.e.\omega) \text{ for any } \psi \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, R^+).$$

In particular if $0 \leq \psi(\omega) \leq 1$ (a.e. ω), then $0 \leq Q(\psi a)(\omega) \leq a$ (a.e. ω).

Proof. We may suppose that $0 \leq \psi(\omega) \leq 1$ (a.e. ω) and $\|a\| = \|b\| = 1$. Let $e = \int Q(\psi a)^- d\mu$. We suppose that $e > 0$. Then there exists $k > 0$ such that $\|ke\| = 1$. Let $d = ke$. Since $a \wedge b = 0$, by Lemma 2.4

$$(Q(\psi a)(\omega) \wedge b) \vee -b = 0.$$

Hence by Lemma 1.3 (4), (5)

$$(2) \quad |Q(\psi a)(\omega) \wedge b = Q(\psi a)(\omega)^- \wedge b = 0 \quad (a.e.\omega).$$

Therefore

$$(3) \quad d \wedge b = ke \wedge b = 0.$$

Since $a \wedge b = 0$, by Lemma 1.4(3) and Definition 1.2

$$(4) \quad \|\psi(\omega) a - d + b\| \leq \|\psi(\omega) a + b\| \vee \|d\| \\ = \|b\| \vee \|\psi(\omega) a\| \vee \|d\| = 1 \quad (a.e.\omega).$$

By (2), (3) and Lemma 1.3 (6) we have

$$|Q(\psi a)(\omega) - d| \wedge b \leq |Q(\psi a)(\omega)| \wedge b + d \wedge b = 0,$$

and hence by Lemma 1.4 (4) and the fact that $\|b\| = \|d\| = 1$

$$(5) \quad \|Q(\psi a)(\omega) - d + b\| = \|Q(\psi a)(\omega) - d\| \vee \|b\| \\ = \|Q(\psi a)(\omega) - d\| \vee \|d\|.$$

By Lemma 1.4 (2)

$$(6) \quad \|Q(\psi a)(\omega) - d\| \vee \|d\| \geq \|Q(\psi a)(\omega)^- + d\|.$$

Since Q is constant-preserving and contractive, by (4),(5) and (6),

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &\geq \int \|\psi a - d + b\| d\mu \geq \int \|Q(\psi a) - d + b\| d\mu \\ &\geq \int \|Q(\psi a)^- + d\| d\mu \geq \int Q(\psi a)^- d\mu + d \\ &= \|e + d\| = \|(1/k + 1)d\| > 1, \end{aligned}$$

which leads to a contradiction, and hence $e = 0$. Therefore

$$Q(\psi a)(\omega) \in E^+ \text{ (a.e. } \omega \text{)}.$$

Let $\phi(\omega) = 1 - \psi(\omega)$. Then similarly we can prove that

$$\begin{aligned} Q(\phi a)(\omega) &\in E^+. \text{ Since } Q \text{ is constant-preserving,} \\ Q(\psi a)(\omega) + Q(\phi a)(\omega) &= a. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

$$0 \leq Q(\psi a)(\omega) \leq a \text{ (a.e. } \omega \text{)}. \tag{Q.E.D.}$$

Lemma 2.6. *Suppose that there exist $a, b, c \in E^+$ with $a \wedge b = b \wedge c = c \wedge a = 0$ and $\|a\| = \|b\| = \|c\| = 1$. If $d \in E^+$ and $d^* \in E_n$ with $d^*(d) = \|d\|$, then for any $\psi \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, R^+)$ we have*

$$\begin{aligned} d^*(Q(\psi d)(\omega)) &= \|Q(\psi d)(\omega)\| \text{ (a.e. } \omega \text{)}, \\ \|Q(\psi d)\|_L &= \|\psi d\|_L \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\|Q(\psi a)(\omega)\| = \|Q(\psi b)(\omega)\| \text{ (a.e. } \omega \text{)}.$$

Proof. First we assume that $0 \leq \psi(\omega) \leq 1$ (a.e. ω) and $\|d\| = 1$. Let $\phi(\omega) = 1 - \psi(\omega)$. Since $\|d^*\| \leq 1$, we have

$$(4) \quad d^*(Q(\psi d)(\omega)) \leq \|Q(\psi d)(\omega)\| \text{ (a.e. } \omega \text{)}$$

and

$$(5) \quad d^*(Q(\phi d)(\omega)) \leq \|Q(\phi d)(\omega)\| \text{ (a.e. } \omega \text{)}.$$

Q is constant-preserving, and hence

$$\begin{aligned} (6) \quad d^*(Q(\psi d)(\omega)) + d^*(Q(\phi d)(\omega)) \\ = d^*(Q(I_\Omega d)(\omega)) = d^*(d) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Since Q is contractive,

$$\begin{aligned} (7) \quad \int \|Q(\psi d)\| d\mu + \int \|Q(\phi d)\| d\mu &\leq \int \|\psi d\| d\mu + \int \|\phi d\| d\mu \\ &= \|d\| = 1. \end{aligned}$$

By (4), (5), (6) and (7) we have

$$(8) \quad d^*(Q(\psi d)(\omega)) = \|Q(\psi d)(\omega)\| \quad (a.e.\omega)$$

and

$$(9) \quad \int \|Q(\psi d)\| d\mu = \int \|\psi d\| d\mu.$$

It is easy to show that (8) and (9) remain true for any bounded function $\psi \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, R^+)$. Since any $\psi \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, R^+)$ can be approximated by a sequence of bounded functions, (8) and (9) are true for ψ . We have proved (1) and (2). By Lemma 2.5 $0 \leq Q(\psi a)(\omega) \leq a$ and $0 \leq Q(\psi b)(\omega) \leq b$, and hence by the relation $a \wedge b = 0$ we have

$$Q(\psi a)(\omega) \wedge Q(\psi b)(\omega) = 0 \quad (a.e.\omega).$$

By Lemma 1.4 (4)

$$(10) \quad \begin{aligned} \int \|Q(\psi a)\| \vee \|Q(\psi b)\| d\mu &= \int \|Q(\psi a) + Q(\psi b)\| d\mu \\ &\leq \int \|\psi a + \psi b\| d\mu = \int \|\psi a\| \vee \|\psi b\| d\mu \\ &= \int \|\psi a\| d\mu = \int \|\psi b\| d\mu. \end{aligned}$$

(9) remains true for $d=a$ or b , and hence by (10) we have

$$\|Q(\psi a)(\omega)\| = \|Q(\psi b)(\omega)\| \quad (a.e.\omega). \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

Lemma 2.7. *Suppose that there exist $a, b, c \in E$ such that $a, b, c > 0$ and $a \wedge b = b \wedge c = c \wedge a = 0$. If $\psi, \phi \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, R)$ satisfy the condition*

$$(1) \quad 0 \leq \psi(\omega) \leq 1 \quad (a.e.\omega) \quad \text{and} \quad \phi(\omega) \|a\| = \|Q(\psi a)(\omega)\| \quad (a.e.\omega), \quad \text{then} \\ \|Q(\phi a)(\omega)\| = \phi(\omega) \|a\|.$$

Proof. We assume that $\|a\| = \|b\| = 1$. By (1) and Lemma 2.5 we have

$$(2) \quad 0 \leq Q(\psi b)(\omega) \leq b \quad (a.e.\omega),$$

and hence $0 \leq \phi(\omega) \leq 1 \quad (a.e.\omega)$.

Therefore by Lemma 2.5 we have

$$(3) \quad 0 \leq Q(\phi a)(\omega) \leq a \quad (a.e.\omega).$$

Since $a \wedge b = 0$, by (1), (2), (3) and Lemma 1.4 we have

$$(4) \quad \begin{aligned} \|Q(\psi b)(\omega) - Q(\phi a)(\omega)\| &= \|Q(\psi b)(\omega)\| \vee \|Q(\phi a)(\omega)\| \\ &= \phi(\omega) \vee \|Q(\phi a)(\omega)\| \quad (a.e.\omega) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(5) \quad \begin{aligned} \|Q(\psi b)(\omega) - \phi(\omega) a\| &= \|Q(\psi b)(\omega)\| \vee \|\phi(\omega) a\| \\ &= \phi(\omega) (a.e.\omega). \end{aligned}$$

Since Q is a contractive projection,

$$\int \|Q(\psi b) - \phi a\| d\mu \geq \int \|Q(\psi b) - Q(\phi a)\| d\mu,$$

and hence by (4) and (5) we have

$$\int \phi d\mu \geq \int \phi \vee \|Q(\phi a)\| d\mu,$$

which implies that

$$\phi(\omega) \leq \|Q(\phi a)(\omega)\| (a.e.\omega).$$

By Lemma 2.6

$$\|Q(\phi a)\|_L = \|\phi a\|_L = \|\phi\|_L.$$

Therefore we have

$$\phi(\omega) = \|Q(\phi a)(\omega)\| (a.e.\omega). \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

Lemma 2.8. *If there exist $a, b, c \in E$ with $a \wedge b = b \wedge c = c \wedge a = 0$ and $a, b, c > 0$, then there exists a σ -subalgebra \mathcal{B} of \mathcal{A} such that $\|Q(\psi a)(\omega)\| = \psi^{\mathcal{B}}(\omega) \|a\|$ for any $\psi \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, R^+)$.*

Proof. We may suppose that $\|a\|=1$. Let $a^* \in E_b$ such that $a^*(a)=1$. Define an operator P of $L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, R)$ into itself by $P(\psi)(\omega) = a^*(Q(\psi a)(\omega))$ for any $\psi \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, R)$. Since a^* and Q are linear operators, P is a linear operator. Since Q is constant-preserving, we have

$$(1) \quad P(I_{\Omega})(\omega) = a^*(Q(I_{\Omega} a)(\omega)) = a^*(a) = I_{\Omega}(\omega).$$

If $\psi(\omega) \geq 0$, then by Lemma 2.6

$$\|Q(\psi a)(\omega)\| = a^*(Q(I_{\Omega} a)(\omega)) = P(\psi).$$

Since Q is contractive and $\|a^*\| \leq 1$,

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} \int |P(\psi)| d\mu &= \int |a^*(Q(\psi a)(\omega))| d\mu \\ &\leq \int \|Q(\psi a)\| d\mu \leq \int \|\psi a\| d\mu = \int |\psi| d\mu. \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$(3) \quad \phi(\omega) = \|Q(\psi a)(\omega)\| = P(\psi)(\omega).$$

If $0 \leq \psi(\omega) \leq 1$ (a.e. ω), then by Lemma 2.7

$$(4) \quad \phi(\omega) = \|(\phi a)(\omega)\| = \|Q(\phi a)(\omega)\| = P(\phi)(\omega).$$

By (3) and (4)

$$(5) \quad P(\psi) = P(P(\psi)).$$

Since P is a linear contractive operator, it is easy to show that (5) remains valid for any $\psi \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, R)$. Therefore by (1), (2), (5) and Lemma 2.2 there exists a σ -subalgebra \mathcal{B} such that

$$(6) \quad P(\psi) = \psi^{\mathcal{B}}.$$

By Lemma 2.6 and the definition of P

$$(7) \quad P(\psi)(\omega) = a^*(Q(\psi a)(\omega)) = \|Q(\psi a)(\omega)\|.$$

By (6) and (7) we have proved this Lemma. Q.E.D.

Lemma 2.9. *Let $a, b, c, d \in E$ with $a, b, c, d > 0$ and $a \wedge b = b \wedge c = c \wedge a = 0$. Then we can choose $a', b', d' \in E^+$, $k \in R$ such that $d = d' + (ka \wedge d) + (kb \wedge d) + (kc \wedge d)$, $a', b' > 0$ and $a' \wedge b' = b' \wedge d' = d' \wedge a' = 0$.*

Proof. We may suppose that $\|a\| = \|b\| = \|c\| = 1$. Let $k = 2\|d\|$, and $a' = ka - ka \wedge d$, $b' = kb - kb \wedge d$ and $d' = d - d \wedge k(a \vee b \vee c)$. Since $\|ka\| = k > \|d\| \geq \|ka \wedge d\| \vee \|kb \wedge d\|$, we have $a', b' > 0$.

Since $a \wedge b = b \wedge c = c \wedge a = 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} d &= d - d \wedge k(a \vee b \vee c) = d - ((ka \wedge d) \vee (kb \wedge d) \vee (kc \wedge d)) \\ &= d - (ka \wedge d + kb \wedge d + kc \wedge d). \end{aligned}$$

By the definitions of k, a', b' and d' we have

$$0 \leq a' \wedge b' \leq ka \wedge kb = 0.$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq d' \wedge a' &= (d - d \wedge k(a \vee b \vee c)) \wedge (ka - ka \wedge d) \\ &\leq (d - ka \wedge d) \wedge (ka - ka \wedge d) = ka \wedge d - ka \wedge d = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly we can prove that $b' \wedge d' = 0$. Q.E.D.

Lemma 2.10. *Suppose that there exist $a, b, c \in E$ with $a, b, c > 0$ and $a \wedge b = b \wedge c = c \wedge a = 0$. If $d, e \in E$ and $d \geq e$, then $Q(\psi d)(\omega) \geq Q(\psi e)(\omega)$ (*a.e.*) for any $\psi \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, R^+)$.*

Proof. We may suppose that $d > 0$. Then by Lemma 2.9 there exist $a', b', d' \in E$ such that

$$(1) \quad a', b' > 0,$$

$$(2) \quad d = d' + (ka \wedge d) + (kb \wedge d) + (kc \wedge d)$$

and

$$(3) \quad a' \wedge b' = b' \wedge d' = d' \wedge a' = 0.$$

If $d' > 0$, then by (1), (3) and Lemma 2.5 we have

$$(4) \quad Q(\psi d')(\omega) \in E^+ (a.e.\omega).$$

If $d' = 0$, then (4) is trivial.

Since $a \wedge b = b \wedge c = c \wedge a = 0$,

$$(5) \quad (ka \wedge d) \wedge b = (ka \wedge d) \wedge c = b \wedge c = 0.$$

If $ka \wedge d > 0$, then by (5) and Lemma 2.5

$$(6) \quad Q(\psi(ka \wedge d))(\omega) \in E^+ (a.e.\omega).$$

If $ka \wedge d = 0$, then (6) is trivial.

Similarly we can prove that

$$(7) \quad Q(\psi(kb \wedge d))(\omega) \in E^+$$

and

$$(8) \quad Q(\psi(kc \wedge d))(\omega) \in E^+.$$

By (2), (4), (6), (7) and (8) we have

$$Q(\psi d)(\omega) \in E^+ (a.e.\omega).$$

Since Q is linear, this proves the lemma.

Q.E.D.

Lemma 2.11. *Suppose that there exist $a, b, c \in E$ with $a, b, c > 0$ and $a \wedge b = b \wedge c = c \wedge a = 0$. Then for any $d \in E^+$ there exists a σ -subalgebra \mathcal{B} of \mathcal{A} such that*

$$\|Q(\psi d)(\omega)\| = \psi^{\mathcal{B}} \|d\| (a.e.\omega)$$

for any $\psi \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, R^+)$, where \mathcal{B} is independent of the choice of d .

Proof. We may suppose that $\|a\| = \|d\|$. Then $\|a \vee d\| = \|a\| \vee \|d\| = \|a\| = \|d\|$.

By Lemma 2.10

$$(1) \quad Q(\psi(d \vee a))(\omega) \geq Q(\psi a)(\omega) \vee Q(\psi d)(\omega) \geq 0 \text{ in } E.$$

By Lemma 2.8 there exists a σ -subalgebra \mathcal{B} of \mathcal{A} such that

$$\|Q(\psi a)(\omega)\| = \psi^{\mathcal{B}} \|a\|.$$

and hence by (1) and Definition 1.2 (4) we have

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} \|Q(\psi(a \vee d))(\omega)\| &\geq \|Q(\psi a)(\omega)\| \\ &= \psi^{\mathcal{B}} \|a\| = \psi^{\mathcal{B}} \|a \vee d\|. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2.6 and the properties of conditional expectation

$$\|Q(\psi(a \vee d))\|_L = \|\psi(a \vee d)\|_L = \|\psi^{\mathcal{B}}(a \vee d)\|_L,$$

and hence by (2) we have

$$(3) \quad \|Q(\psi(a \vee d))(\omega)\| = \psi^{\mathcal{B}} \|a\| = \psi^{\mathcal{B}} \|d\|.$$

By (1)

$$(4) \quad \|Q(\psi(a \vee d))(\omega)\| \geq \|Q(\psi d)(\omega)\|.$$

By Lemma 2.6

$$\|Q(\psi d)\|_L = \|\psi d\|_L = \|\psi^{\mathcal{B}} d\|_L = \|\psi^{\mathcal{B}}\|_L \|d\|,$$

and hence by (3) and (4)

$$\|Q(\psi d)(\omega)\| = \psi^{\mathcal{B}} \|d\|.$$

It is clear that \mathcal{B} is independent of the choice of d .

Q.E.D.

Lemma 2.12. *If $\dim(E) \geq 3$, where $\dim(E)$ is the dimension of E as a linear space, then there exist $a, b, c \in E$ such that $a, b, c > 0$ and $a \wedge b = b \wedge c = c \wedge a = 0$.*

The proof of this lemma is a direct result of Theorem 26.10 of Luxemburg and Zaenen [7]

Theorem 1. *If $\dim(E) \geq 3$, then there exists a σ -subalgebra \mathcal{B} of \mathcal{A} such that $Q(f) = f^{\mathcal{B}}$ for any $f \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu, E)$.*

Proof. Let \mathcal{B} be the σ -subalgebra whose existence was proved in Lemma 2.11. Since the conditional expectation operator $(\)^{\mathcal{B}}$ and Q are linear bounded operators, it is sufficient to show that for any $d \in E^+$ and $A \in \mathcal{A}$ with $\|d\| = 1$

$$Q(I_A d) = (I_A)^{\mathcal{B}} d.$$

Let $e = \int (Q(I_A d)(\omega) \vee (I_A d)^{\mathcal{B}}(\omega) - Q(I_A d)(\omega)) d\mu(\omega)$. Clearly $e \in E^+$. We suppose that $e > 0$. Since $e > 0$, by Lemma 1.2 there exists $e^* \in E_h$ such that

$$\|e\| = |e^*(e)| = e^*(e).$$

By Lemma 2.5

$$(1) \quad 0 \leq Q(I_A d)(\omega) \leq d.$$

By the properties of conditional expectation we have

$$0 \leq (I_A d)^{\mathcal{B}}(\omega) \leq d,$$

and hence by (1)

$$0 < e \leq d,$$

by which we have

$$e^*(e) \leq e^*(d).$$

Therefore we can choose $k \geq 1$ such that $e^*(ke) = e^*(d)$. Then we have

$$(2) \quad e^*(ke \wedge d) = e^*(ke) \wedge e^*(d) = e^*(d).$$

Since $\|e^*\| \leq 1$,

$$(3) \quad e^*(ke \wedge d) \leq \|ke \wedge d\| \leq \|ke\| = ke^*(e) = e^*(d).$$

By (2) and (3) we have

$$(4) \quad e^*(ke \wedge d) = \|ke \wedge d\| = e^*(d).$$

Since $d \geq ke \wedge d$, by (4) and Lemma 2.6

$$e^*(Q(I_A d)(\omega)) \geq e^*(Q(I_A(ke \wedge d))(\omega)) = \|Q(I_A(ke \wedge d))(\omega)\|.$$

By Lemma 2.11 and (4)

$$\|Q(I_A(ke \wedge d))(\omega)\| = (I_A)^{\mathcal{B}}(\omega) \|ke \wedge d\| = (I_A)^{\mathcal{B}}(\omega) e^*(d).$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < e^*(e) &= e^*\left(\int (Q(I_A d)(\omega) \vee (I_A d)^{\mathcal{B}}(\omega) - Q(I_A d)(\omega)) d\mu\right) \\ &= \int (e^*(Q(I_A d)(\omega)) \vee (I_A)^{\mathcal{B}}(\omega) e^*(d) - e^*(Q(I_A d)(\omega))) d\mu \\ &= \int (e^*(Q(I_A d)(\omega)) - e^*(Q(I_A d)(\omega))) d\mu = 0, \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction. We have proved that $e=0$, and hence we have

$$(4) \quad Q(I_A d)(\omega) \geq (I_A d)^{\mathcal{B}}(\omega) \text{ (a.e. } \omega \text{)}.$$

Similarly we can prove that

$$(5) \quad Q(I_{\Omega-A} d)(\omega) \geq (I_{\Omega-A} d)^{\mathcal{B}}(\omega) \text{ (a.e. } \omega \text{)}.$$

Since Q is constant-preserving,

$$\begin{aligned} Q(I_A d)(\omega) + Q(I_{\Omega-A} d)(\omega) &= Q(I_{\Omega} d)(\omega) \\ &= I_{\Omega} d(\omega) = (I_A d)^{\mathcal{B}}(\omega) + (I_{\Omega-A} d)^{\mathcal{B}}(\omega), \end{aligned}$$

and hence by (4) and (5) we have

$$Q(I_A d) = (I_A d)^{\mathcal{B}}$$

Q.E.D.

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