

A decomposition theorem in a Banach $*$ -algebra related to completely bounded maps on C^* -algebras

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1. Introduction.

As one of the fundamental theorems in C^* -algebras, it is well known that a self-adjoint element has the Jordan decomposition and a self-adjoint bounded linear functional has the Hahn decomposition: i.e. if x is a self-adjoint element in a C^* -algebra A , then there exist two positive elements $x_1, x_2 \in A$ such that $x = x_1 - x_2$, $x_1 x_2 = 0$ and $\|x\| = \|x_1 + x_2\|$. If f is a self-adjoint bounded linear functional on A , then there exist two positive linear functionals $f_1, f_2 \in A^*$ such that $f = f_1 - f_2$ and $\|f\| = \|f_1 + f_2\|$.

As a generalized version of the Hahn decomposition, Loeb and Tsui considered independently whether the bounded self-adjoint map has the positive decomposition [10], [16]. The answer was negative except a few cases. Furthermore Huruya and Tomiyama obtained a non-existence theorem of the Hahn decomposition of bounded maps in the general situation [8]. However, it was Wittstock who showed the self-adjoint completely bounded map of a C^* -algebra to an injective C^* -algebra can be written as a difference of two completely positive maps with the norm condition [17]. This can be seen as a generalized Hahn decomposition, since the complete boundedness coincides with the boundedness and the complete positivity coincides with the positivity if the range algebra is commutative.

On the other hand, a completely bounded map can be regarded as an element in the dual space of a certain Banach space [6], [9], [5]. In this paper, especially motivated by the isomorphism which is obtained by Effros and Exel [5], we intend to get the Jordan decomposition and the Hahn decomposition in an advanced form. The main theorem is the following.

THEOREM B. *Let A be a C^* -algebra and $B(H)$ be all bounded operators on a Hilbert space H . Suppose that p is a finite dimensional projection.*

(1) *If V is a self-adjoint element in $pB(H) \otimes_n A \otimes_n B(H)p$ with the Haagerup norm $\|\cdot\|_n$, then*

$$\|V\|_h = \inf\{\|V_1 + V_2\|_h \mid V = V_1 - V_2, V_i \geq 0 \ (i=1, 2)\}.$$

(2) If $\tilde{\Phi}$ is a self-adjoint bounded linear functional on $pB(H) \otimes_h A \otimes_h B(H)p$, then

$$\|\tilde{\Phi}\| = \min\{\|\tilde{\Phi}_1 + \tilde{\Phi}_2\| \mid \tilde{\Phi} = \tilde{\Phi}_1 - \tilde{\Phi}_2, \tilde{\Phi}_i \geq 0 \ (i=1, 2)\}.$$

To see this, we introduce a $*$ -operation and a new product to a triple tensor product space and get a new Banach $*$ -algebra with the Haagerup norm (see Theorem A in Section 2). Next we investigate the order structure of the Banach $*$ -algebra to get the Theorem B in Section 3. As an application, we can prove the Wittstock's theorem from the view point of the classical ordered Banach space theory in Section 4.

2. Banach $*$ -algebra with the Haagerup norm.

Let $B(H)$ be all bounded operators on a Hilbert space H over the complex number field \mathbb{C} . We say that a subspace X in $B(H)$ is an operator space and denote the set $\{\xi^* \in B(H) \mid \xi \in X\}$ by X^* . Let A be a C^* -algebra and F be a bounded sesquilinear form on $X \times X$. We call F is positive and denote $F \geq 0$ if $F(\xi, \xi) \geq 0$ for any $\xi \in X$, and call F is strictly positive and denote $F > 0$ if $F \geq 0$ and $F(\xi, \xi) = 0$ implies $\xi = 0$. We introduce a product and a $*$ -operation to the algebraic tensor product space $X^* \otimes A \otimes X$ as follows.

DEFINITION 1. Let F be a fixed bounded sesquilinear form on $X \times X$. Given $\xi^* \otimes a \otimes \eta, \varphi^* \otimes b \otimes \psi \in X^* \otimes A \otimes X$, we define

$$\begin{aligned} (\xi^* \otimes a \otimes \eta)(\varphi^* \otimes b \otimes \psi) &= \xi^* \otimes ab \otimes \psi F(\eta, \varphi), \\ (\xi^* \otimes a \otimes \eta)^* &= \eta^* \otimes a^* \otimes \xi. \end{aligned}$$

This product is different from the usual product cf. [3]. Let $M_{nm}(X)$ be the space of $n \times m$ matrices with the entries in X (abbreviated to $M_n(X)$ in case $n=m$), which is a subspace in $M_{nm}(B(H)) \cong B(H^m, H^n)$ with the operator norm. Throughout this paper, we introduce the Haagerup norm to $X^* \otimes A \otimes X$ and denote by $X^* \otimes_h A \otimes_h X$ the completion of $X^* \otimes A \otimes X$ with the Haagerup norm $\|\cdot\|_h$. The Haagerup norm is defined as follows [6], [12].

Given $V \in X^* \otimes A \otimes X$,

$$\|V\|_h = \inf \left\{ \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i^* \xi_i \right\|^{1/2} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n \eta_j^* \eta_j \right\|^{1/2} \mid V = \sum_{i,j=1}^n \xi_i^* \otimes a_{ij} \otimes \eta_j \right\},$$

where $[a_{ij}]$ is in $M_n(A)$. For convenience, we use the operation [3]

$$\xi^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \eta = \sum_{i,j=1}^n \xi_i^* \otimes a_{ij} \otimes \eta_j,$$

where $\xi^* = [\xi_1^*, \dots, \xi_n^*] \in M_{1n}(X^*)$, and $\eta = [\eta_1, \dots, \eta_n]^t \in M_{n1}(X)$. It follows that

$\|\xi^*\| = \|\sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i^* \xi_i\|^{1/2}$ and $\|\eta\| = \|\sum_{j=1}^n \eta_j^* \eta_j\|^{1/2}$. To see that the product on $X^* \otimes_h A \otimes_h X$ with $\|\cdot\|_h$ is well-defined and continuous, the following will be needed.

LEMMA 2. Let X be an operator space. If F is a bounded sesquilinear form on $X \times X$ with $\|F\| \leq 1$, then

$$\| [F(\xi_i, \eta_j)] \| \leq \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i^* \xi_i \right\|^{1/2} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n \eta_j^* \eta_j \right\|^{1/2}$$

for any $\{\xi_i\}_{i=1}^n, \{\eta_j\}_{j=1}^n$ in X .

The right hand side can be replaced by

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i^* \xi_i \right\|^{1/2} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n \eta_j \eta_j^* \right\|^{1/2}, \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i \xi_i^* \right\|^{1/2} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n \eta_j^* \eta_j \right\|^{1/2}$$

$$\text{and } \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i \xi_i^* \right\|^{1/2} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n \eta_j \eta_j^* \right\|^{1/2}.$$

PROOF. Let $\{\lambda_i\}_{i=1}^n, \{\mu_j\}_{j=1}^n$ be in \mathbb{C} such that $(\sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i|^2)^{1/2} = (\sum_{j=1}^n |\mu_j|^2)^{1/2} = 1$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \| [F(\xi_i, \eta_j)] \| &= \sup \left| \sum_{i,j=1}^n \lambda_i \bar{\mu}_j F(\xi_i, \eta_j) \right| \\ &= \sup \left| F \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \xi_i, \sum_{j=1}^n \mu_j \eta_j \right) \right| \leq \sup \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \xi_i \right\| \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n \mu_j \eta_j \right\| \\ &= \sup \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \cdots & \lambda_n \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \xi_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \xi_n & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\| \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 & \cdots & \mu_n \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \eta_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \eta_n & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\| \\ &\leq \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \xi_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \xi_n & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\| \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \eta_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \eta_n & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\| = \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i^* \xi_i \right\|^{1/2} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n \eta_j^* \eta_j \right\|^{1/2}, \end{aligned}$$

where the supremums are taken over all $\{\lambda_i\}_{i=1}^n, \{\mu_j\}_{j=1}^n$ as above.

The remainder can be obtained in the similar way. ■

THEOREM A. Let X be an operator space in $B(H)$ and A be a C^* -algebra. If F is a bounded sesquilinear form on $X \times X$ with $\|F\| \leq 1$, then $X^* \otimes_h A \otimes_h X$ is a Banach *-algebra with the product and the *-operation in Definition 1.

PROOF. Given $V = \xi^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \eta$, $W = \varphi^* \odot [b_{ij}] \odot \psi$ in $X^* \otimes_h A \otimes_h X$, it is easy to see that

$$VW = \xi^* \odot [a_{ij}] [F(\eta_i, \varphi_j)] [b_{ij}] \odot \psi,$$

where $[a_{ij}], [b_{ij}] \in M_n(A)$ and $[F(\eta_i, \varphi_j)] \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$. By Lemma 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\|VW\|_h &\leq \|\xi^*\| \| [a_{ij}] \| \| [F(\eta_i, \varphi_j)] \| \| [b_{ij}] \| \|\phi\| \\ &\leq \|\xi^*\| \| [a_{ij}] \| \|\eta\| \|\varphi^*\| \| [b_{ij}] \| \|\phi\|.\end{aligned}$$

Hence the product is well-defined and satisfies $\|VW\|_h \leq \|V\|_h \|W\|_h$.

For the $*$ -operation, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\|V^*\|_h &= \inf \|\eta^*\| \| [a_{ji}^*] \| \|\xi\| \\ &= \inf \|\xi^*\| \| [a_{ij}] \| \|\eta\| \\ &= \|V\|_h. \quad \blacksquare\end{aligned}$$

3. Order structure of Banach $*$ -algebras.

Let p be a k -dimensional projection ($k \in \mathbf{N}$) in $B(H)$. $B(H)p = \{xp \in B(H) \mid x \in B(H)\}$ is an operator space and $(B(H)p)^* = pB(H)$. Let $\{e_{ij}\}$ be a matrix unit in $B(H)$ such that $p = \sum_{i=1}^k e_{ii}$ and put $P_\lambda = \sum_{i \in \lambda} \sum_{j=1}^k k e_{ij}^* \otimes 1 \otimes e_{ij}$, where λ is a finite subset in \mathcal{A} whose cardinal number is the same as the dimension of H and which is directed by set inclusion. Let τ be the normalized trace on $M_k(\mathbf{C})$. We define a sesquilinear form F_0 on $B(H)p \times B(H)p$ by $F_0(x, y) = \tau(y^*x)$. From now on, we consider the product defined in Section 1 using F_0 to $pB(H) \otimes_h A \otimes_h B(H)p$. It is easy to see that

$$P_\lambda^2 = P_\lambda^* = P_\lambda.$$

If A is not unital, we regard P_λ as an operator acts on $pB(H) \otimes_h A \otimes_h B(H)p$ from the left and the right. We note that

$$\lim_{\lambda \in \mathcal{A}} \left\| \xi - \sum_{i \in \lambda} \sum_{j=1}^k k F_0(\xi, e_{ij}) e_{ij} \right\| = 0$$

for any $\xi \in B(H)p$, since $\|\xi\| \leq \sqrt{k} \tau(\xi^* \xi)^{1/2}$. We put

$$q_\lambda \xi = \sum_{i \in \lambda} \sum_{j=1}^k k F_0(\xi, e_{ij}) e_{ij}.$$

PROPOSITION 3. *For all $V \in pB(H) \otimes_h A \otimes_h B(H)p$, we have the following properties.*

- (1) $\|P_\lambda V\|_h \leq \|V\|_h$.
- (2) $\|P_\lambda V P_\lambda\|_h \leq \|V\|_h$.
- (3) $\lim_{\lambda \in \mathcal{A}} \|V - P_\lambda V\|_h = 0$.
- (4) $\lim_{\lambda \in \mathcal{A}} \|V - P_\lambda V P_\lambda\|_h = 0$.

PROOF. We show only (2) and (4). Given $V = \xi^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \eta \in pB(H) \otimes_h A \otimes_h B(H)p$ and fixed a $\lambda \in \mathcal{A}$, it is easy to see that

$$P_\lambda V P_\lambda = \sum_{i,j=1}^n (q_\lambda \xi_i)^* \otimes a_{ij} \otimes q_\lambda \eta_j.$$

Since

$$\xi^* \xi \geq (q_\lambda \xi)^* q_\lambda \xi$$

for any $\xi \in B(H)p$, given $\varepsilon > 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|V\|_h + \varepsilon &\geq \|\xi^*\| \| [a_{ij}] \| \|\eta\| \\ &\geq \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n (q_\lambda \xi_i)^* q_\lambda \xi_i \right\|^{1/2} \| [a_{ij}] \| \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n (q_\lambda \eta_j)^* q_\lambda \eta_j \right\|^{1/2} \geq \|P_\lambda V P_\lambda\|_h. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\|P_\lambda\|$ is bounded for the fixed $\lambda \in \mathcal{A}$, we then have

$$\|P_\lambda V P_\lambda\|_h \leq \|V\|_h$$

for any $V \in pB(H) \otimes_h A \otimes_h B(H)p$.

Since $\|\xi\| \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \|\xi_i\|$ and $\|[a_{ij}]\| \leq \sum_{i,j=1}^n \|a_{ij}\|$,

$$\|V - P_\lambda V P_\lambda\|_h \leq \sum_{i,j=1}^n (\|\xi_i - q_\lambda \xi_i\| \| [a_{ij}] \| \|\eta_j\| + \|q_\lambda \xi_i\| \| [a_{ij}] \| \|\eta_j - q_\lambda \eta_j\|)$$

and $\|P_\lambda W P_\lambda\|_h \leq \|W\|_h$ for any $W \in pB(H) \otimes_h A \otimes_h B(H)p$, it turns out that

$$\lim_{\lambda \in \mathcal{A}} \|V - P_\lambda V P_\lambda\|_h = 0$$

for any $V \in pB(H) \otimes_h A \otimes_h B(H)p$. ■

Let $\tilde{\Phi} \in (X^* \otimes_h A \otimes_h X)^d$, where $(X^* \otimes_h A \otimes_h X)^d$ means the dual space of $X^* \otimes_h A \otimes_h X$ to avoid the confusion. We call $\tilde{\Phi}$ is positive if $\tilde{\Phi}(V^*V) \geq 0$ for any $V \in X^* \otimes_h A \otimes_h X$. We define $\tilde{\Phi}^*$ by $\tilde{\Phi}^*(V) = \overline{\tilde{\Phi}(V^*)}$ and say $\tilde{\Phi}$ is self-adjoint if $\tilde{\Phi}^* = \tilde{\Phi}$. Let A_X^\pm be the $\|\cdot\|_h$ -closure of the convex combinations of the elements of the form V^*V . We call V is positive and denote $V \geq 0$ if $V \in A_X^+$.

As above, $\{P_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \mathcal{A}}$ behaves like an approximate identity even if A is not unital. However, $\lim_{\lambda \in \mathcal{A}} \|P_\lambda\|_h = \infty$ if $\dim H = \infty$. If a Banach *-algebra B has a bounded approximate identity $\{P_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \mathcal{A}}$ with a constant $K \geq 0$ such that $\|P_\lambda\| \leq K$ for any $\lambda \in \mathcal{A}$, and if $\tilde{\Phi}$ is positive on B , then $\tilde{\Phi}$ satisfies the Schwarz inequality

$$|\tilde{\Phi}(V)|^2 \leq K \|\tilde{\Phi}\| \tilde{\Phi}(V^*V)$$

for any $V \in B$ [15, Lemma 9.11]. By the following proposition, $pB(H) \otimes_h A \otimes_h B(H)p$ is quite different from a C*-algebra.

PROPOSITION 4. Suppose that $\dim H = \infty$, then $pB(H) \otimes_h A \otimes_h B(H)p$ does not have any bounded approximate identity.

PROOF. Let f be a fixed state on A . Define that

$$\tilde{f}(\xi^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \eta) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n \tau(\xi_i^* \eta_j) f(a_{ij})$$

for any $\xi^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \eta \in pB(H) \otimes A \otimes B(H)p$. It is easy to see that $\|\tilde{f}\| \leq 1$ and $\tilde{f} \geq 0$. Given $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $a \in A$ such that $a \geq 0$, $\|a\| \leq 1$ and $f(a) > 1 - \varepsilon$. Put $V_m = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^k e_{ij}^* \otimes a \otimes e_{ij}$, then

$$\tilde{f}(V_m) = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^k \tau(e_{ij}^* e_{ij}) f(a) = m(1 - \varepsilon).$$

Since $V_m = V_m^* \geq V_m^2$, it follows that

$$\frac{|\tilde{f}(V_m)|^2}{\tilde{f}(V_m^* V_m)} \geq \frac{\tilde{f}(V_m)^2}{\tilde{f}(V_m)} = m(1 - \varepsilon).$$

Hence, \tilde{f} does not satisfy the Schwarz inequality. ■

The following is the main theorem in this paper. We can regard this as an extension of Wittstock's theorem in Section 4.

THEOREM B. *Let A be a C^* -algebra and $B(H)$ be all bounded operators on a Hilbert space H . Suppose that p is a finite dimensional projection.*

(1) *Let $V \in pB(H) \otimes_h A \otimes_h B(H)p$ such that $V = V^*$, then*

$$\|V\|_h = \inf \{ \|V_1 + V_2\|_h \mid V = V_1 - V_2, V_i \geq 0 \ (i=1, 2) \}.$$

(2) *Let $\tilde{\Phi} \in (pB(H) \otimes_h A \otimes_h B(H)p)^d$ such that $\tilde{\Phi} = \tilde{\Phi}^*$, then*

$$\|\tilde{\Phi}\| = \min \{ \|\tilde{\Phi}_1 + \tilde{\Phi}_2\| \mid \tilde{\Phi} = \tilde{\Phi}_1 - \tilde{\Phi}_2, \tilde{\Phi}_i \geq 0 \ (i=1, 2) \}.$$

To see this, we have only to show two facts [4], [1, Theorem 1.3.1]: namely,

(1)' Let $V, W \in pB(H) \otimes_h A \otimes_h B(H)p$ such that $V = V^*$, $W = W^*$ and $-W \leq V \leq W$, then $\|V\|_h \leq \|W\|_h$.

(2)' Let $\tilde{\Phi}, \tilde{\Psi} \in (pB(H) \otimes_h A \otimes_h B(H)p)^d$ such that $\tilde{\Phi} = \tilde{\Phi}^*$, $\tilde{\Psi} = \tilde{\Psi}^*$ and $-\tilde{\Psi} \leq \tilde{\Phi} \leq \tilde{\Psi}$, then $\|\tilde{\Phi}\| \leq \|\tilde{\Psi}\|$.

In fact, by the argument followed Theorem 1.3.1 in [1], (1)' implies that

$$\|V\|_h \leq \inf \|V_1 + V_2\|_h, \quad \|\tilde{\Phi}\| \geq \min \|\tilde{\Phi}_1 + \tilde{\Phi}_2\|$$

and (2)' implies that

$$\|V\|_h \geq \inf \|V_1 + V_2\|_h, \quad \|\tilde{\Phi}\| \leq \min \|\tilde{\Phi}_1 + \tilde{\Phi}_2\|.$$

We provide some lemmas.

LEMMA 5.

$$A_{B(H)p}^+ = \overline{\{V^*V \mid V \in pB(H) \otimes A \otimes B(H)p\}}^{\|\cdot\|_h}.$$

PROOF. Let $V_1, V_2 \in pB(H) \otimes A \otimes B(H)p$. Then there exist two positive ele-

ments $[a_{ij}], [b_{ij}] \in M_n(A)$ for some n such that

$$P_\lambda V_1^* V_1 P_\lambda = \sum_{i,j=1}^n e_i^* \otimes a_{ij} \otimes e_j, \quad P_\lambda V_2^* V_2 P_\lambda = \sum_{i,j=1}^n e_i^* \otimes b_{ij} \otimes e_j,$$

for some suitable $\{e_i\} \subset \{e_{ij}\}$. It is easy to see that

$$P_\lambda (V_1^* V_1 + V_2^* V_2) P_\lambda \in \{V^* V \mid V \in pB(H) \otimes A \otimes B(H)p\}.$$

Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} V_1^* V_1 + V_2^* V_2 &= \lim_{\lambda \in A} P_\lambda (V_1^* V_1 + V_2^* V_2) P_\lambda \\ &\in \overline{\{V^* V \mid V \in pB(H) \otimes A \otimes B(H)p\}}^{\|\cdot\|_h}. \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 6. Let X be an n -dimensional operator space, $F > 0$ and $\{e_i\}_{i=1}^n$ be an orthonormal basis with respect to F . If $V \in X^* \otimes_n A \otimes_n X$, then there exists a unique $[a_{ij}] \in M_n(A)$ such that $V = \sum_{i,j=1}^n e_i^* \otimes a_{ij} \otimes e_j$.

Moreover

- (1) V is self-adjoint if and only if $[a_{ij}] = [a_{ij}]^*$.
- (2) V is positive if and only if $[a_{ij}] \geq 0$.

PROOF. Since X is finite dimensional, the first assertion is trivial.

(1) is clear.

If V is positive, as in the proof of Lemma 5, we may assume that V is of the form $W^* W$ for some $W \in X^* \otimes_n A \otimes_n X$ such that $W = \sum_{i,j=1}^n e_i^* \otimes [b_{ij}] \otimes e_j$, since X is finite dimensional. Then we have

$$V = \varrho^* \odot [b_{ij}]^* [F(e_i, e_j)] [b_{ij}] \odot \varrho = \varrho^* \odot [b_{ij}]^* [b_{ij}] \odot \varrho.$$

The converse is trivial. \blacksquare

We note that the operation \odot satisfies the following property. Let $L\xi = [\sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_{1j} \xi_j, \dots, \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_{nj} \xi_j]^t$ for $L = [\alpha_{ij}] \in M_n(C)$ and $\xi = [\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n]^t \in M_{n1}(X)$. Then we have

$$(L\xi)^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot M\eta = \xi^* \odot L^* [a_{ij}] M \odot \eta,$$

for any $L, M \in M_n(C)$.

LEMMA 7. Let $V \in X^* \otimes A \otimes X$ such that $V^* = V$. Then

$$\|V\|_h = \inf \|\eta\|^2 \| [a_{ij}] \|,$$

where the infimum is taken over all representations of V such that $V = \eta^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \eta \in X^* \otimes A \otimes X$, $[a_{ij}] \in M_n(A)$ is self-adjoint and $\{\eta_i\}_{i=1}^n \subset X$ is linearly independent.

PROOF. First we show that the infimum can be taken over all representations of V such that $V = \eta^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \eta \in X^* \otimes A \otimes X$ and $[a_{ij}] = [a_{ij}]^* \in M_n(A)$.

To see this, given $\varepsilon > 0$, then there exist $\xi, \eta \in M_n(X)$ and $[a_{ij}] \in M_n(A)$ such that

$$V = \xi^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \eta, \quad \|V\|_h + \varepsilon > \|\xi^*\| \| [a_{ij}] \| \|\eta\|.$$

Then we have, for any $\lambda > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \frac{1}{2}(V + V^*) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\lambda \xi^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \lambda^{-1} \eta + \lambda^{-1} \eta^* \odot [a_{ij}]^* \odot \lambda \xi) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda \xi^* \\ \lambda^{-1} \eta \end{bmatrix}^* \odot \begin{bmatrix} 0 & [a_{ij}] \\ [a_{ij}]^* & 0 \end{bmatrix} \odot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda \xi \\ \lambda^{-1} \eta \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda \xi^* \\ \lambda^{-1} \eta \end{bmatrix}^* \right\|^2 \left\| \begin{bmatrix} 0 & [a_{ij}] \\ [a_{ij}]^* & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\| \leq \frac{1}{2}(\lambda^2 \|\xi^*\|^2 + \lambda^{-2} \|\eta\|^2) \| [a_{ij}] \|$$

and

$$\min_{\lambda > 0} \frac{1}{2}(\lambda^2 \|\xi^*\|^2 + \lambda^{-2} \|\eta\|^2) = \|\xi^*\| \|\eta\|,$$

there exists $\lambda_0 > 0$ such that

$$\|V\|_h + \varepsilon > \left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_0 \xi^* \\ \lambda_0^{-1} \eta \end{bmatrix}^* \right\| \left\| \begin{bmatrix} 0 & [a_{ij}] \\ [a_{ij}]^* & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\|.$$

Next we show that one can choose $\{\eta_i\}_{i=1}^n$ is linearly independent. Let $V = \xi^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \xi$ such that $[a_{ij}]^* = [a_{ij}]$, $\|V\|_h + \varepsilon > \|\xi\|^2 \| [a_{ij}] \|$. We may assume that $\{\xi_1, \dots, \xi_k\}_{k \leq n}$ is linearly independent. Then there exists $L \in M_n(C)$ such that $\xi = L[\xi_1, \dots, \xi_k]^t$. Let $U|L|$ be the polar decomposition of L , where $U \in M_n(C)$ and $|L| \in M_n(C)$. Put $|L|[\xi_1, \dots, \xi_k]^t = [\eta_1, \dots, \eta_k]^t$, then $\{\eta_1, \dots, \eta_k\}$ is linearly independent. By the property of \odot , it follows that

$$V = \xi^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \xi = (U\eta)^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot U\eta = \eta^* \odot U^* [a_{ij}] U \odot \eta.$$

Moreover we obtain

$$\|\eta\|^2 \|U^* [a_{ij}] U\| = \|\xi\|^2 \| [a_{ij}] \| < \|V\|_h + \varepsilon. \quad \blacksquare$$

LEMMA 8. Let X be an n -dimensional operator space and $F \geq 0$. If $V, W \in X^* \otimes_h A \otimes_h X$ such that $V = V^*$, $W = W^*$ and $-W \leq V \leq W$, then $\|V\|_h \leq \|W\|_h$.

PROOF. Given $\varepsilon > 0$, by Lemma 7, there exist $\eta \in M_{1,k}(X)$ and $[b_{ij}] \in M_k(A)$, ($k \leq n$) such that $W = \eta^* \odot [b_{ij}] \odot \eta$, $[b_{ij}]^* = [b_{ij}]$, $\{\eta_1, \dots, \eta_k\}$ is linearly independent and $\|W\|_h + \varepsilon > \|\eta\|^2 \| [b_{ij}] \|$. Then we can choose an invertible matrix $L \in M_k(C)$ such that $\eta = L\xi'$ where $\xi' = [e_1, \dots, e_k]^t$ and $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ is a basis in X . Because

$$W = \left(\begin{bmatrix} L & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \delta & & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ 0 & 0 & & \delta \end{bmatrix} \right)_{\mathcal{L}}^* \odot \begin{bmatrix} [b_{ij}] & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \odot \begin{bmatrix} L & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \delta & & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ 0 & 0 & & \delta \end{bmatrix}_{\mathcal{L}},$$

for any $\delta > 0$, where $e = [e_1, \dots, e_n]^t$ and

$$\left\| \begin{bmatrix} L & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \delta & & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ 0 & 0 & & \delta \end{bmatrix} \right\|_{\mathcal{L}}^2 \left\| \begin{bmatrix} [b_{ij}] & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\| < \|W\|_h + \varepsilon,$$

for some $\delta > 0$, we may assume that $L \in M_n(C)$ is invertible, $\eta \in M_{n_1}(X)$, $[b_{ij}] \in M_n(X)$, and $W = \eta^* \odot L^* [b_{ij}] L \odot \eta$. Let $V = \eta^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \eta$. By Lemma 5, we have

$$-L^* [b_{ij}] L \leq [a_{ij}] \leq L^* [b_{ij}] L.$$

Hence

$$-[b_{ij}] \leq L^{-1*} [a_{ij}] L^{-1} \leq [b_{ij}].$$

Since $V = \eta^* \odot L^{-1*} [a_{ij}] L^{-1} \odot \eta$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|W\|_h + \varepsilon &> \|\eta\|^2 \| [b_{ij}] \| \\ &\geq \|\eta\|^2 \| L^{-1*} [a_{ij}] L^{-1} \| \\ &\geq \|V\|_h. \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

It is now possible to prove Theorem B.

PROOF OF THEOREM B. First given $V, W \in pB(H) \otimes_h A \otimes_h B(H)p$ such that $V = V^*$, $W = W^*$ and $-W \leq V \leq W$, it is easy to see that

$$-P_\lambda W P_\lambda \leq P_\lambda V P_\lambda \leq P_\lambda W P_\lambda,$$

where $P_\lambda = \sum_{i \in \lambda} \sum_{j=1}^k k e_{ij}^* \otimes 1 \otimes e_{ij}$ in Proposition 3. From Lemma 8, it follows that

$$\|P_\lambda V P_\lambda\|_h \leq \|P_\lambda W P_\lambda\|_h.$$

Hence we obtain that $\|V\|_h \leq \|W\|_h$ by Proposition 3.

Next given $\tilde{\Phi}, \tilde{\Psi} \in (pB(H) \otimes_h A \otimes_h B(H)p)^d$ such that $\tilde{\Phi}^* = \tilde{\Phi}$, $\tilde{\Psi}^* = \tilde{\Psi}$ and $-\tilde{\Psi} \leq \tilde{\Phi} \leq \tilde{\Psi}$. Let $V = V^* \in pB(H) \otimes A \otimes B(H)p$. Then by Lemma 7, for given $\varepsilon > 0$, V is represented as $V = \eta^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \eta$ such that $[a_{ij}]^* = [a_{ij}]$ and $\|V\|_h + \varepsilon > \|\eta\|^2 \| [a_{ij}] \|$. We put that $\tilde{W} = \eta^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \eta$. It follows that $-\tilde{W} \leq V \leq \tilde{W}$ and $\|\tilde{W}\|_h \leq \|V\|_h + \varepsilon$ by Lemma 7. Since $(\tilde{\Psi} + \tilde{\Phi})(\tilde{W} - V) \geq 0$ and $(\tilde{\Psi} - \tilde{\Phi})(\tilde{W} + V) \geq 0$, we get $\tilde{\Psi}(\tilde{W}) \geq \tilde{\Phi}(V)$. Similarly we have $\tilde{\Psi}(\tilde{W}) \geq -\tilde{\Phi}(V)$. Hence

$$|\tilde{\Phi}(V)| \leq |\tilde{\Psi}(\tilde{W})| \leq \|\tilde{\Psi}\| \|\tilde{W}\|_h = \|\tilde{\Psi}\| (\|V\|_h + \varepsilon).$$

Therefore we obtain that $\|\tilde{\Phi}\| \leq \|\tilde{\Psi}\|$. \blacksquare

4. An application.

Recall that, if Φ is a linear map of an operator space A to $B(H)$, then linear maps Φ_n of $M_n(A)$ to $M_n(B(H))$ can be defined by $\Phi_n[a_{ij}] = [\Phi(a_{ij})]$ for $[a_{ij}] \in M_n(A)$. We say that Φ is completely positive if Φ_n is positive for any n and Φ is completely bounded if $\sup_n \|\Phi_n\|$ is finite and denote the supremum by $\|\Phi\|_{cb}$. It is well known that a completely positive map Φ is completely bounded and $\|\Phi\|_{cb} = \|\Phi\|$.

In [5], Effros and Exel introduced a norm $\|\cdot\|_{\sim}$ to $H^* \otimes A \otimes H$ as follows: for any $V = \xi^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \eta \in H^* \otimes A \otimes H$,

$$\|V\|_{\sim} = \inf \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|\xi_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \|[a_{ij}]\| \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \|\eta_j\|^2 \right)^{1/2},$$

where the infimum is taken over all representations of V . They showed that the space of all completely bounded maps from an operator space A to $B(H)$ with $\|\cdot\|_{cb}$, which is denoted by $CB(A, B(H))$, is isomorphic onto $(H^* \otimes_{\sim} A \otimes_{\sim} H)^d$. The correspondence is defined as follows:

$$\tilde{\Phi}(\xi^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \eta) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n (\Phi(a_{ij}) \eta_j | \xi_i)$$

for $\Phi \in CB(A, B(H))$.

Suppose that p is a 1-dimensional projection in $B(H)$, then $B(H)p \cong B(C, H) \cong H$ and $pB(H) \cong B(H, C) = H^*$. By this identification, we notice that $\|\cdot\|_{\sim}$ is nothing but the Haagerup norm $\|\cdot\|_h$. In this situation, it is clear that the product $\xi^* \eta$ for $\xi, \eta \in B(H)p$ is just the inner product $(\eta | \xi)$ and $F_0(\eta, \xi) = (\eta | \xi)$. The following means that a completely positive map is a positive linear functional on a Banach $*$ -algebra.

PROPOSITION 9. *Let A be a C^* -algebra and Φ is a completely bounded map of A to $B(H)$.*

(1) *Φ is self-adjoint if and only if $\tilde{\Phi}$ is self-adjoint.*

(2) *Φ is completely positive if and only if $\tilde{\Phi}(V^*V) \geq 0$ for any $V \in H^* \otimes_n A \otimes_n H$.*

PROOF. (1) If $\Phi = \Phi^*$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Phi}((\xi^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \eta)^*) &= \sum_{i,j=1}^n (\Phi(a_{ji}^*) \xi_j | \eta_i) \\ &= \sum_{i,j=1}^n \overline{(\Phi(a_{ij}) \eta_j | \xi_i)} = \overline{\tilde{\Phi}(\xi^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \eta)} \end{aligned}$$

for any $\xi^* \odot [a_{ij}] \odot \eta \in H^* \otimes A \otimes H$.

If $\tilde{\Phi} = \tilde{\Phi}^*$, then

$$(\Phi(a^*)\xi|\eta) = \overline{\tilde{\Phi}(\xi^* \otimes a \otimes \eta)} = (\tilde{\Phi}(a)^*\xi|\eta)$$

for any $a \in A$, $\xi, \eta \in H$.

(2) Suppose that Φ is completely positive. Let $V = \xi^* \odot [a_{ii}] \odot \eta \in H^* \otimes A \otimes H$. It follows that $V^*V = \eta^* \odot [a_{ij}]^*[(\xi_i|\xi_j)][a_{ij}] \odot \eta$. Then we have

$$\tilde{\Phi}(V^*V) = \left(\Phi_n([a_{ij}]^*[(\xi_i|\xi_j)][a_{ij}]) \begin{bmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \eta_n \end{bmatrix} \middle| \begin{bmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \eta_n \end{bmatrix} \right) \geq 0.$$

Conversely, let $a_1, \dots, a_n \in A$ and $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n, \eta \in H$ with $\|\eta\|=1$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left([\Phi(a_i^* a_j)] \begin{bmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \vdots \\ \xi_n \end{bmatrix} \middle| \begin{bmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \vdots \\ \xi_n \end{bmatrix} \right) &= \tilde{\Phi}(\xi^* \odot [a_i^* a_j] \odot \xi) \\ &= \tilde{\Phi} \left(\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \eta^* \otimes a_i \otimes \xi_i \right)^* \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \eta^* \otimes a_j \otimes \xi_j \right) \right) \geq 0. \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

The following was obtained in [17], [7], [11]. We prove it as a Corollary of Theorem B.

COROLLARY 10 (Wittstock). *Let A be an operator system and Φ be a self-adjoint completely bounded map of A to $B(H)$. Then there exist two completely positive maps Φ_1, Φ_2 such that $\Phi = \Phi_1 - \Phi_2$ and $\|\Phi\|_{cb} = \|\Phi_1 + \Phi_2\|$.*

PROOF. We may assume that A is a C^* -algebra, because the Haagerup norm has the injectivity [12], [2]. From Proposition 9, $\tilde{\Phi}$ is self-adjoint in $(H^* \otimes_h A \otimes_h H)^d$. Then there exist two positive linear functionals $\tilde{\Phi}_1, \tilde{\Phi}_2$ on $H^* \otimes_h A \otimes_h H$ such that $\tilde{\Phi} = \tilde{\Phi}_1 - \tilde{\Phi}_2$ and $\|\tilde{\Phi}\| = \|\tilde{\Phi}_1 + \tilde{\Phi}_2\|$ by Theorem B(2). Hence, by the correspondence of Effros and Exel and Proposition 9, we get Φ_1, Φ_2 which satisfy the conditions. \blacksquare

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