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Let X be a locally compact Hausdorff space, $C_0(X)$ the space of continuous real-valued functions on X which vanish at infinity, and let $C_0(X)$ be equipped with the supremum norm. Let $E: C_0(X) \rightarrow C_0(X)$ be a nonnegative projection ($x \geq 0 \Rightarrow Ex \geq 0$; $E^2 = E$) of norm 1. The first theorem states that $E(xEy) = E(ExEy)$ for all $x, y \in C_0(X)$. Let $X_0 = \bigcap \{x^{-1}[\{0\}]: x \geq 0, Ex = 0\}$. The second theorem states (in part) that $M = E[C_0(X)]$ under the norm and order it inherits from $C_0(X)$ is a Banach lattice, that the mapping $x \rightarrow x|_{X_0}$ (=restriction of x to X_0) is an isometric vector lattice homomorphism (=linear map which preserves the lattice operations) of M onto a subalgebra of $C_0(X_0)$, and that for $t \in X_0$, $E(xEy)(t) = (ExEy)(t)$ for all $x, y \in C_0(X)$.

The paper concludes with a characterization of the conditional expectation operators L^1 of a probability space.

The characterization is complementary to (and inspired by) one given by Moy [5; p. 61]. As a corollary to our first theorem we obtain the theorem of Kelley [2; p. 219] which states that $E[C_0(X)]$ is a subalgebra of $C_0(X)$ if and only if $E(xEy) = ExEy$ for all $x, y \in C_0(X)$.

Preliminaries. An M -space is a Banach lattice whose norm satisfies the condition $x, y \geq 0 \Rightarrow \|x \vee y\| = \max(\|x\|, \|y\|)$ ($x \vee y$ is the maximum of x and y). An element u of a Banach lattice is a *unit* if and only if $\{x: 0 \leq x \leq u\} = \{x: x \geq 0, \|x\| \leq 1\}$. If a Banach lattice has a unit, it has only one and is an M -space.

LEMMA 1. *Let M be an M -space with unit u . Then*

- (i) $X = \{x^* \in M^*: x^*u = 1, x^* \text{ is a vector lattice homomorphism}\}$ is $\sigma(M^*, M)$ -compact;
- (ii) the natural mapping of M into $C(X)$ (X has the relative $\sigma(M^*, M)$ -topology) is an isometric vector lattice homomorphism onto. If, in additions, M is order-complete¹, then
- (iii) X is Stonian²;
- (iv) M is the (norm-)closed linear span of the set U of extreme points of $\{x \in M: 0 \leq x \leq u\}$, and $x \in M$ belongs to U if and only if $x \wedge (u - x) = 0$.

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¹ That is, as a lattice M is conditionally complete.

² X is Stonian if and only if it is compact and its open subsets have open closures.

Proof. (i) and (ii) are proved in [1] (pp. 1000-1006). (iii) is proved in [7] (p. 185). We now prove (iv). By (i)-(iii) we may assume that $M = C(X)$ for some Stonian X . x is an extreme point of $\{y \in C(X): 0 \leq y \leq 1\}$ if and only if it is the characteristic function of an open closed subset of X . This proves the second part of (iv). The linear span A of U is a subalgebra and (since X is totally disconnected) separates the points of X . By the Stone-Weierstrass Theorem A is dense in $C(X)$.

The adjoint of a Banach lattice with its natural norm and order ($x^* \geq y^* \Leftrightarrow x^*x \geq y^*x$ for all $x \geq 0$) is an order-complete Banach lattice (that the adjoint is a lattice is proved in [6], p. 36). In particular, if X is a locally compact Hausdorff space, then both $C_0(X)^*$ and $C_0(X)^{**}$ are order-complete Banach lattices.

LEMMA 2. *Let X be a locally compact Hausdorff space. Then $C_0(X)^{**}$ is an M -space with unit, and when it is equipped with the multiplication it so acquires, the natural embedding of $C_0(X)$ in $C_0(X)^{**}$ is multiplicative.*

Proof. The mapping $\mu \rightarrow \|\mu\|$ is additive and nonnegatively homogeneous on $\{\mu \in C_0(X)^*: \mu \geq 0\}$ and so has a unique linear extension to all of $C_0(X)^*$. This extension, which we denote by 1 , is clearly a unit for $C_0(X)^{**}$.

Let $\Omega = \{\xi \in C_0(X)^{***}: \xi 1 = 1, \xi \text{ a vector lattice homomorphism}\}$. Let $\kappa: C_0(X) \rightarrow C_0(X)^{**}$ be the natural embedding. We show the existence of a meagre subset H of Ω such that for x and y in $C_0(X)$, $\kappa(x)\kappa(y)$ and $\kappa(xy)$, when regarded as functions on Ω , agree on $\Omega \sim H$. κ is a vector lattice homomorphism [6; p. 39] so that for $\xi \in \Omega$, $\xi \circ \kappa$ is a vector lattice homomorphism, i.e., $\xi \circ \kappa$ is a nonnegative multiple of evaluation at some point of X . Thus if $\|\xi \circ \kappa\| = 1$, then $\xi \circ \kappa$ is evaluation at some point of X and so is multiplicative. We now show that $H = \{\xi \in \Omega: \|\xi \circ \kappa\| < 1\}$ is meagre. Let $A = \{\kappa(x): x \geq 0, \|x\| \leq 1\}$. A is directed by \leq and is bounded above. Thus $\mathbf{V}A$ (=supremum of A in $C_0(X)^{**}$) exists and for μ a nonnegative member of $C_0(X)^*$, $(\mathbf{V}A)(\mu) = \sup_{f \in A} f(\mu)$. $\sup_{f \in A} f(\mu) = \sup\{\mu(x): x \geq 0, \|x\| \leq 1\} = \|\mu\| = 1(\mu)$ whenever $\mu \geq 0$. Thus $\mathbf{V}A = 1$. Since the supremum of a subset of $C(\Omega)$ and the pointwise supremum agree off some meagre set, we have $1 = \xi(1) = \sup\{\xi(f): f \in A\} = \sup\{(\xi \circ \kappa)(x): x \geq 0, \|x\| \leq 1\} = \|\xi \circ \kappa\|$ save for ξ in some meagre set. Thus, $\kappa(xy)$ and $\kappa(x)\kappa(y)$, when regarded as functions on Ω , agree on $\Omega \sim H$, i.e., $\kappa(xy) = \kappa(x)\kappa(y)$

LEMMA 3. *Let X be a compact Hausdorff space, and let $E: C(X) \rightarrow C(X)$ be a nonnegative projection of norm 1. Then $E[C(X)]$ with the norm and order it inherits from $C(X)$ is an M -space and has $E1$*

for a unit.

Proof. To show that $M = E[C(X)]$ is a vector lattice it is enough to prove that for $x \in M$, the maximum in M of x and 0 exists. Let $x \in M$. $x^+ \geq x$, $0 \Rightarrow Ex^+ \geq x$, $0(x^+ = x \vee 0)$. If $y \in M$, and $y \geq x$, 0 , then $y \geq x^+$ so that $y = Ey \geq Ex^+$. Thus Ex^+ is the maximum in M of x and 0 . Let $u = E1$. We show that for $x \in M$, $\|x\| = \inf\{\alpha: -\alpha u \leq x \leq \alpha u\}$. This will show that M is a Banach lattice, and that u is a unit for M . Let $x \in M$. $-\|x\| \leq x \leq \|x\| \Rightarrow -\|x\|u = E(-\|x\|) \leq Ex = x \leq E(\|x\|) = \|x\|u$; if $-\alpha u \leq x \leq \alpha u$, then $-\alpha \leq -\alpha u \leq \alpha u \leq \alpha$ so that $\alpha \geq \|x\|$.

Main Theorems.

THEOREM 1. *Let X be a locally compact Hausdorff space, and let $E: C_0(X) \rightarrow C_0(X)$ be a nonnegative projection of norm 1. Then $E(xEy) = E(ExEy)$ for all $x, y \in C_0(X)$.*

Proof. We shall show that by passing to E^{**} and $C_0(X)^{**}$ it is enough to prove the theorem under the additional hypotheses

(a) X is Stonian;

(b) if $\{x_i\}_{i \in I}$ is an increasing net in $C(X)$ with $x = \mathbf{V}_{i \in I} x_i$, then $Ex = \mathbf{V}_{i \in I} Ex_i$.

First we prove the theorem under the additional hypotheses. Let $M = E[C(X)]$. If $\{x_i\}_{i \in I}$ is an increasing net in M with $\mathbf{V}_{i \in I} x_i = x \in C(X)$, then $Ex = \mathbf{V}_{i \in I} Ex_i = \mathbf{V}_{i \in I} x_i = x$ so that M is an order-complete M -space with unit $u = E1$. By Lemma 1 M is the closed linear span of the set \mathcal{U} of extreme points of $U = \{x \in M: 0 \leq x \leq u\}$. By the bilinearity and continuity of $(x, y) \rightarrow xy$ it is enough to prove that $E(xy) = E(xEy)$ whenever $x \in \mathcal{U}$ and $0 \leq y \leq 1$. Set $z = E(xy) - E(xEy)$. $x + z = E(x + xy - xEy) = E(x(1 + y - Ey))$, and, since $0 \leq x \leq 1$ and $1 + y - Ey \geq 0$ (indeed, $1 - Ey \geq 0$), we have $0 \leq E(x(1 + y - Ey)) \leq E(1 + y - Ey) = E1 = u$. Thus $x + z \in U$. Similarly, $x - z \in U$. Since both $x + z$ and $x - z$ belong to U and $x \in \mathcal{U}$ we must have $z = 0$. This proves the theorem under the additional hypotheses.

Now let X and E be as in the theorem. E^{**} is a nonnegative projection of norm 1, and by Lemmas 1 and 2 there is a Stonian space Ω such that $C_0(X)^{**} = C(\Omega)$. Let $\{f_i\}_{i \in I}$ be an increasing net in $C_0(X)^{**}$ with $f = \mathbf{V}_{i \in I} f_i$. For μ a nonnegative member of $C_0(X)^*$, $f(\mu) = \sup_i f_i(\mu) = \lim_i f_i(\mu)$. Since any member of $C_0(X)^*$ is the difference of nonnegative members, we have $f(\mu) = \lim_i f_i(\mu)$ for all $\mu \in C_0(X)^*$. Since E^{**} is $\sigma(C_0(X)^{**}, C_0(X)^*)$ -continuous, $\{E^{**}f_i\}_{i \in I} \sigma(C_0(X)^{**}, C_0(X)^*)$ -converges to $E^{**}f$, which, together with the monotonicity of $\{E^{**}f_i\}_{i \in I}$, implies that $E^{**}f = \mathbf{V}_{i \in I} E^{**}f_i$. Thus E^{**} and Ω satisfy the ad-

ditional hypotheses. Let $\kappa: C_0(X) \rightarrow C_0(X)^{**}$ be the natural embedding. For $x, y \in C_0(X)$, $\kappa(E(xEy)) = E^{**}(\kappa(xEy)) = E^{**}(\kappa(x)\kappa(Ey)) = E^{**}(\kappa(x)E^{**}(\kappa(y))) = E^{**}(E^{**}(\kappa(x))E^{**}(\kappa(y))) = E^{**}(\kappa(Ex)\kappa(Ey)) = E^{**}(\kappa(ExEy)) = \kappa(E(ExEy))$.

COROLLARY. *(Kelley) $E[C_0(X)]$ is a subalgebra of $C_0(X)$ if and only if $E(xEy) = ExEy$ for all $x, y \in C_0(X)$.*

Proof. $E[C_0(X)]$ is a subalgebra of $C_0(X)$ if and only if $ExEy = E(ExEy)$ for all $x, y \in C_0(X)$.

DEFINITION. Let L and M be vector lattices, and let $T: L \rightarrow M$ be a nonnegative linear map. $|\text{Ker}|(T) = \{x \in L: T(|x|) = 0\}$ ($|x| = x \vee (-x)$).

Note that $|\text{Ker}|(T)$ is a vector lattice ideal in L , that is, $|\text{Ker}|(T)$ is a linear subspace of L and $x \in |\text{Ker}|(T)$, $|y| \leq |x| \Rightarrow y \in |\text{Ker}|(T)$.

THEOREM 2. *Let X be a locally compact Hausdorff space and $E: C_0(X) \rightarrow C_0(X)$ a nonnegative projection of norm 1. Let $X_0 = \bigcap \{x^{-1}[\{0\}]: x \in |\text{Ker}|(E)\}$, Y be the set of level sets (sets of constancy) of $M = E[C_0(X)]$, $X_1 = \bigcup \{A \in Y: A \cap X_0 \neq \emptyset\}$, and let $Z = \bigcap \{x^{-1}[\{0\}]: x \in M\}$. Then*

- (i) M with the norm and order it inherits from $C_0(X)$ is a Banach lattice;
- (ii) $x \rightarrow x|_{X_0}$ is an isometric vector lattice homomorphism from M to $C_0(X_0)$;
- (iii) for $x, y \in M$, $xy|_{X_0} = E(xy)|_{X_0}$; in particular, $\{x|_{X_0}: x \in M\}$ is a subalgebra of $C_0(X_0)$;
- (iv) $X_1 \cup Z = \{s \in X: E(xEy)(s) = (ExEy)(s) \text{ for all } x, y \in C_0(X)\}$.

Proof. We saw in the proof of Lemma 3 that M is a vector lattice under the order it inherits from $C_0(X)$. (ii) will imply that M is a Banach lattice. First we prove that $x \rightarrow x|_{X_0}$ is a vector lattice homomorphism. Let $x \in M$. We have seen that the maximum of x and 0 in M is Ex^+ . Thus we must show that $Ex^+|_{X_0} = x^+|_{X_0}$. $Ex^+ \geq x$, $0 \Rightarrow Ex^+ \geq x^+$. $Ex^+ - x^+ \geq 0$, $E(Ex^+ - x^+) = 0 \Rightarrow Ex^+ - x^+ \in |\text{Ker}|(E) \Rightarrow Ex^+ - x^+$ vanishes on X_0 . Thus $x \rightarrow x|_{X_0}$ is a vector lattice homomorphism of M to $C_0(X_0)$. Note that $|\text{Ker}|(E)$ is a closed algebraic ideal in $C_0(X)$ and so is equal $\{x \in C_0(X): x|_{X_0} = 0\}$. Let $y \in C_0(X)$ be an extension of $x|_{X_0}$ with norm $\|x|_{X_0}\|$. Since x and y agree on X_0 , $Ey = Ex = x$. We thus have $\|x|_{X_0}\| = \|y\| \geq \|Ey\| = \|x\| \geq \|x|_{X_0}\|$. Thus $x \rightarrow x|_{X_0}$ is an isometry from M into $C_0(X_0)$.

We first prove (iii) under the additional hypothesis that X is compact. $M_0 = \{x|_{X_0}: x \in M\}$ is a closed vector sublattice of $C(X_0)$. By

the proof of the Stone-Weierstrass theorem in [4] (p. 8) M_0 is a subalgebra if it contains the constants. For this it is enough to prove $1 \mid X_0 = E1 \mid X_0$. $1 - E1 \geq 0$, $E(1 - E1) = 0 \Rightarrow 1 - E1 \in |\text{Ker}|(E) \Rightarrow 1 - E1$ vanishes on X_0 . Now let $x, y \in M$. There exists $z \in M$ such that $z \mid X_0 = xy \mid X_0$. xy and z agree on X_0 so that $E(xy) = Ez = z$. Thus $xy \mid X_0 = E(xy) \mid X_0$.

Now let us return to the general case. $C_0(X)^{**} = C(\Omega)$ for some compact Ω , and E^{**} is a nonnegative projection of norm 1. By the above $E^{**}(fg) - fg \in |\text{Ker}|(E^{**})$ whenever $f, g \in E^{**}[C_0(X)^{**}]$. In particular, if $x, y \in M$, then $E^{**}(\kappa(x)\kappa(y)) - \kappa(x)\kappa(y) \in |\text{Ker}|(E^{**})$, where $\kappa: C_0(X) \rightarrow C_0(X)^{**}$ is the natural embedding. Thus $0 = E^{**}(|E^{**}(\kappa(x)\kappa(y)) - \kappa(x)\kappa(y)|) = E^{**}(|E^{**}(\kappa(xy)) - \kappa(xy)|) = E^{**}(|\kappa(E(xy) - xy)|) = E^{**}(\kappa(|E(xy) - xy|)) = \kappa(E(|E(xy) - xy|))$ so that $E(|E(xy) - xy|) = 0$, i.e., $E(xy) - xy \in |\text{Ker}|(E)$. Thus $E(xy)$ and xy agree on X_0 whenever $x, y \in M$.

Let the set on the right in (iv) be denoted by W . Clearly, $Z \subset W$. To prove that $X_1 \subset W$ it is enough to prove that $X_0 \subset W$. Let $x, y \in C_0(X)$. By (iii) $ExEy$ and $E(ExEy)$ agree on X_0 and by Theorem 1 $E(ExEy) = E(xEy)$. Thus $ExEy$ and $E(xEy)$ agree on X_0 . Now let $s \in W \sim Z$. Set $M_0 = \{x \mid X_0: x \in M\}$. Let $\varphi \in M_0^*$ be defined by $\varphi(x \mid X_0) = x(s)$, $x \in M$. For $x, y \in M$, $\varphi((x \mid X_0)(y \mid X_0)) = \varphi(xy \mid X_0) = \varphi(E(xy) \mid X_0) = E(xy)(s) = E(xEy)(s) = (ExEy)(s) = (xy)(s) = \varphi(x)\varphi(y)$. Thus φ is a nonzero multiplicative linear functional on M_0 . Therefore there exists $t \in X_0$ such that $\varphi(x \mid X_0) = x(t)$, $x \in M$, i.e., the level set of M which contains s intersects X_0 . Thus $s \in X_1$.

DEFINITION. Let X be a locally compact Hausdorff space. For $t \in X$, $\delta_t \in C_0(X)^*$ is evaluation at t .

COROLLARY. Let $u(s) = \|E^*\delta_s\|$, $s \in X$. Then $E[C_0(X)]$ is a vector sublattice of $C_0(X)$ if and only if $ExEy = uE(xEy)$ for all $x, y \in C_0(X)$.

Proof. Suppose $E[C_0(X)]$ is a vector sublattice of $C_0(X)$. Let $s \in X$. $x \mid X_0 \rightarrow x(s)$ is a vector lattice homomorphism of M_0 to \mathbf{R} so that there exist $t \in X_0$ and $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$ such that $x(s) = \alpha x(t)$ for all $x \in M$. $x \mid X_0 \rightarrow x(t)$ is a linear functional of norm 1 on M_0 so that $\|E^*\delta_s\| = \sup\{x(s): x \in M, \|x\| \leq 1, x \geq 0\} = \alpha \sup\{x(t): x \in M, \|x\| \leq 1, x \geq 0\} = \alpha$. Thus $\alpha = u(s)$. Let $x, y \in C_0(X)$. $u(s)E(xEy)(s) = u(s)^2E(xEy)(t) = u(s)^2(Ex)(t)(Ey)(t) = (Ex)(s)(Ey)(s) = (ExEy)(s)$.

Now suppose that $ExEy = uE(xEy)$ for all $x, y \in C_0(X)$. First we show that $x, y \in M$, $x \wedge_M y = 0 \Rightarrow x \wedge y = 0$. $x \wedge_M y = 0 \Rightarrow (x \mid X_0) \wedge (y \mid X_0) = 0 \Rightarrow xy \mid X_0 = 0$, $x, y \geq 0 \Rightarrow E(xy) = 0$, $x, y \geq 0 \Rightarrow 0 = uE(xy) = ExEy = xy$, $x, y \Rightarrow x \wedge y = 0$. Now let x be any element of M . $Ex^+ = x \vee_M 0$, $Ex^- = (-x) \vee_M 0 \Rightarrow Ex^+ \wedge_M Ex^- = 0 \Rightarrow Ex^+ \wedge Ex^- = 0$. $x = Ex^+ - Ex^-$

and $Ex^+ \wedge Ex^- = 0 \Rightarrow x^+ = Ex^+$ and $x^- = Ex^-$.³ Thus $x \in M \Rightarrow x^+ \in M$, i.e., M is a vector sublattice of $C_0(X)$.

EXAMPLES. Let X be the discrete space $\{0, 1, 2\}$, and let $E_i: C(X) \rightarrow C(X)$, $i = 1, 2, 3$, be defined by

$$(E_1x)(s) = \begin{cases} x(s) & s = 0, 1 \\ \frac{1}{2}(x(0) + x(1)) & s = 2 \end{cases} \quad (E_2x)(s) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}x(1) & s = 0 \\ x(1) & s = 1, 2 \end{cases}$$

$$(E_3x)(s) = \begin{cases} 0 & s = 0 \\ x(0) + x(1) & s = 1 \\ x(2) & s = 2 \end{cases}$$

E_1, E_2 , and E_3 are nonnegative projections on $C(X)$, $\|E_1\| = \|E_2\| = 1$, and $\|E_3\| = 2$; $E_1[C(X)]$ is not a vector sublattice of $C(X)$; $E_2[C(X)]$ is a vector sublattice of $C(X)$ but not a subalgebra; $E_3[C_0(X)]$ is a subalgebra of $C(X)$, but E_3 does not satisfy the conclusion of Theorem 1.

(i) and (ii) were proved (essentially) by Lloyd [3; p. 172] for X compact. Specifically, let X be compact, and let E, M and Y be as in Theorem 2; let Y_0 be the set of elements of Y at which evaluation is a nonzero extreme point of the nonnegative part of the unit ball of M^* ; then Y_0 is compact (when Y is equipped with the quotient topology), and the natural map of M to $C(Y_0)$ is an order-preserving isometry onto. It can be shown that $Y_0 = \{A \in Y: A \cap X_0 \neq \emptyset\}$ so that (ii) follows from Lloyd's result.

An application. In this section (S, Σ, μ) is a probability space (i.e., (S, Σ, μ) is a totally finite measure space with $\mu(S) = 1$). For Σ_0 a σ -subalgebra of Σ , $E(\cdot, \Sigma_0): L^1(\mu) \rightarrow L^1(\mu)$ is defined by

$$\left. \begin{aligned} E(x, \Sigma_0) \text{ is } \Sigma_0\text{-measurable} \\ \int_A E(x, \Sigma_0) d\mu = \int_A x d\mu \text{ for all } A \in \Sigma_0 \end{aligned} \right\} x \in L^1(\mu),$$

that is, $E(x, \Sigma_0)$ is the Radon-Nikodým derivative of $(x \cdot \mu) | \Sigma_0$ with respect to $\mu | \Sigma_0$ ($x \cdot \mu$ is defined by $(x \cdot \mu)(A) = \int_A x d\mu$, $A \in \Sigma$). $E(\cdot, \Sigma_0)$ is the conditional expectation operator of Σ_0 . The object of this section is to characterize all such operators.

LEMMA 4. Let M be an order complete vector sublattice of $L^\infty(\mu)$ which contains 1. Then there is a σ -subalgebra Σ_0 of Σ such that $M = \{x \in L^\infty(\mu): x \text{ is } \Sigma_0\text{-measurable}\}$.

³ If L is any vector lattice, $x \in L$, $u, v \in L$, $u \wedge v = 0$, and if $x = u - v$, then $u = x^+$ and $v = x^-$.

Proof. M is an order-complete M -space with unit and so by Lemma 1 is the closed linear space of the set U of extreme points of the non-negative part of its unit ball. $U = \{x \in M: x \wedge (1 - x) = 0\}$. Thus $U = \{\chi_A: A \in \Sigma\} \cap M^+$. Set $\Sigma_0 = \{A \in \Sigma: \chi_A \in M\}$. That Σ_0 is a σ -subalgebra of Σ follows easily from the fact that M is an order-complete vector sublattice of $L^\infty(\mu)$. The closed linear span of U is thus the set of Σ_0 -measurable members of $L^\infty(\mu)$.

LEMMA 5. Let $T: L^1(\mu) \rightarrow L^1(\mu)$ be a linear map of norm 1 such that $T1 = 1$. Then T is nonnegative, and $\int Txd\mu = \int xd\mu$ for all $x \in L^1(\mu)$.

Proof. Let $x \in L^1(\mu)$, $1 \geq x \geq 0$. $1 - \int xd\mu = \|1 - x\|_1 \geq \|T(1 - x)\|_1 = \int |1 - Tx| d\mu \geq 1 - \int Txd\mu$ so that $\int xd\mu \leq \int Txd\mu \leq \int |Tx| d\mu = \|Tx\|_1 \leq \|x\|_1 = \int xd\mu$. Thus, $0 \leq x \leq 1 \Rightarrow \int xd\mu = \int |Tx| d\mu = \int Txd\mu$. The second equality shows that $Tx \geq 0$ whenever $1 \geq x \geq 0$, and it follows immediately that T is nonnegative. The equality of $\int xd\mu$ and $\int Txd\mu$ for $0 \leq x \leq 1$ implies equality for all $x \in L^1(\mu)$.

THEOREM 3. Let $E: L^1(\mu) \rightarrow L^1(\mu)$ be a projection of norm 1 such that $E1 = 1$. Then there is a σ -subalgebra Σ_0 of Σ such that $E = E(\cdot, \Sigma_0)$.

Proof. By Lemma 5 E is nonnegative. Since $E1 = 1$ and $E > 0$, E maps $L^\infty(\mu)$ into $L^\infty(\mu)$. The restriction E_0 of E to $L^\infty(\mu)$ is thus a nonnegative projection of norm 1. We first show that $|\text{Ker}(E_0)| = \{0\}$. Let $x \geq 0$, and suppose $E_0x = 0$. Since $1 \wedge x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$, and since $E_0(1 \wedge x) = 0$, we may assume $0 \leq x \leq 1$. $1 - \int xd\mu = \|1 - x\|_1 \geq \|E_0(1 - x)\|_1 = \|E1\|_1 = 1$. Thus $x = 0$. $L^\infty(\mu) = C(\Omega)$ for some compact Ω so that we may apply Theorem 2. Thus $E_0(xE_0y) = E_0xE_0y$ for all $x, y \in L^\infty(\mu)$, and $E_0[L^\infty(\mu)] = M$ is a vector sublattice of $L^\infty(\mu)$. We assert that M is an order-complete vector sublattice. Let $\{x_i\}_{i \in I}$ be an increasing net in M with $x = \bigvee_{i \in I} x_i$. $\{x_i\}_{i \in I}$ L^1 -converges to x so that $E_0x = L^1\text{-lim}_i E_0x_i = L^1\text{-lim}_i x_i = x$, i.e., $x \in M$. By Lemma 4 there is a σ -subalgebra Σ_0 of Σ such that $M = \{x \in L^\infty(\mu): x \text{ is } \Sigma_0\text{-measurable}\}$. We conclude the proof by showing that E and $E(\cdot, \Sigma_0)$ agree on $L^\infty(\mu)$. Let $x \in L^\infty(\mu)$. Ex and $E(x, \Sigma_0)$ are Σ_0 -measurable and so are equal if and only if $\int_A Ex d\mu = \int_A E(x, \Sigma_0) d\mu$ for all $A \in \Sigma_0$. Let $A \in \Sigma_0$. $\int_A Ex d\mu = \int \chi_A Ex d\mu = \int E(\chi_A) Ex d\mu = \int E(xE\chi_A) d\mu = \int E(x\chi_A) d\mu =$

⁴ We identify bounded Σ -measurable functions and the corresponding elements of $L^\infty(\mu)$.

$$\int x\chi_A d\mu = \int_A x d\mu = \int_A E(x, \Sigma_0) d\mu.$$

COROLLARY. (Moy) Let $E: L^1(\mu) \rightarrow L^1(\mu)$ be a linear map of norm 1 such that

(a) $E1 = 1$;

(b) $E(xEy) = ExEy$ for all $x, y \in L^\infty(\mu)$.

Then there is a σ -subalgebra Σ_0 or Σ such that $E = E(\cdot, \Sigma_0)$.

Proof. For $x \in L^\infty(\sigma)$, $E^2x = E(1Ex) = E1Ex = Ex$. Thus E^2 and E agree on $L^\infty(\mu)$, i.e. E is a projection.

REMARK. As was mentioned in the introduction, Theorem 3 was inspired by Moy's theorem. In particular, had Moy's theorem required that E be nonnegative, it would never have occurred to me that the condition of nonnegativeness could be dropped. The proof of Theorem 3 can, of course, be much shortened by using Moy's theorem. However, our proof is substantially different from hers and for this reason is given.

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