

Orthogonality in ordered vector spaces

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Shouldn't we expect any lattice-like structure in non-commutative C^* -algebras?

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For $x \in A$, we define $|x| := (x^*x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$. In particular, for $x \in A_{sa}$, $|x| = (x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ and for $x \in A^+$, $|x| = x$.

- $|a| = a^+ + a^-$; and
- $\|a\| = \max\{\|a^+\|, \|a^-\|\}$.

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Properties of algebraic orthogonality in a C^* -algebra:

Let A be a C^* -algebra and let $a, b, c \in A_{sa}$. Then

- 1 $a \perp^a 0$;
- 2 $a \perp^a b$ implies $b \perp^a a$;
- 3 $a \perp^a b$ and $a \perp^a c$ imply $a \perp^a (kb + c)$ for all $k \in \mathbb{R}$;
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Orthogonality in vector lattices

Let (L, L^+) be a vector lattice. We write $u \wedge v$ for $\inf\{u, v\}$ and $u \vee v$ for $\sup\{u, v\}$. We define $u^+ := u \vee 0$, $u^- := (-u) \vee 0$ and $|u| := u \vee (-u)$ for all $u \in L$. Then $u = u^+ - u^-$ and $|u| = u^+ + u^-$. For $u, v \in L$, we say that u is **orthogonal** to v if $|u| \wedge |v| = 0$. In this case, we write $u \perp^\ell v$.

Recall that $|u + v| \leq |u| + |v|$ and that

$$u \wedge v = \frac{1}{2}\{u + v - |u - v|\}$$

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Let L be a vector lattice and let $u, v, w \in L$. Then

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Definition. Let (V, V^+) be a real ordered vector space. Assume that \perp is a binary relation in V such that for $u, v, w \in V$, we have

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Let us put $u^+ + u^- := |u|$.
- 5 If $u \perp v$ and if $|w| \leq |v|$, then $u \perp w$.

Then V is called an **absolutely ordered vector space**.

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Proposition. Let V be an absolutely ordered space and let $u, v \in V$.

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- ① $|u| = u$ if and only if $u \in V^+$.
- ② $|u| \pm u \in V^+$.
- ③ $|ku| = |k||u|$ for all $k \in \mathbb{R}$.
- ④ If $|u - v| = u + v$ and if $0 \leq w \leq v$, then $|u - w| = u + w$.
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Similarly, $x \in V$ is said to be an **ortho-supremum** of u and v , if

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Theorem. In a vector lattice, the ortho-infimum is the infimum and the ortho-supremum is the supremum.

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We say that S is **total** in V , if the linear span of S is dense in V .

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Theorem. Let $1 \leq p < \infty$. A Banach space V is isometrically isomorphic to $\ell_p(I)$, if and only if \perp_p is additive in V and there exists a subset U of V of cardinality I such that U is p -orthonormal and is total in V . For $p = \infty$, we need to replace $\ell_\infty(I)$ by $c_0(I)$.

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(O.p.2): if $v \in V$ and $\epsilon > 0$, then there exist $v_1, v_2 \in V^+$ with $v = v_1 - v_2$ such that

$$\|v\| + \epsilon \geq \begin{cases} (\|v_1\|^p + \|v_2\|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} & \text{if } 1 \leq p < \infty, \\ \max(\|v_1\|, \|v_2\|) & \text{if } p = \infty; \end{cases}$$

Note that an order unit space is an order smooth ∞ -normed space. 

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Theorem. Let a and b be any two positive elements of a C^* -algebra A . Then $a \perp^a b$ if and only if $a \perp_\infty^a b$.

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Theorem. Let (V, e) be an order unit space. The following two sets of conditions are equivalent:

- ① V is an absolutely ordered vector space in which $\perp = \perp_\infty^a$ on V^+ .
- ② V satisfies the following conditions:
 - ① For each $u \in V$, there exists a unique pair $u^+, u^- \in V^+$ with $u^+ \perp_\infty^a u^-$ such that $u = u^+ - u^-$;
Set $|u| := u^+ + u^-$.
 - ② If $u, v, w \in V^+$ with $u \perp_\infty^a v$ and $u \perp_\infty^a w$, then we have $u \perp_\infty^a |v \pm w|$.

In this case, $(V, |\cdot|, e)$ is called an **absolute order unit space**.

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Theorem. Let V be a real normed linear space. Consider $V^{(\cdot)} := V \times \mathbb{R}$ and put $V^{(\cdot)+} := \{(v, \alpha) : \|v\| \leq \alpha\}$. Then $(V^{(\cdot)}, V^{(\cdot)+})$ becomes a real ordered space. For $(v, \alpha) \in V^{(\cdot)}$, we define

$$|(v, \alpha)| = \begin{cases} (v, \alpha), & \text{if } (v, \alpha) \in V^{(\cdot)+} \\ -(v, \alpha), & \text{if } (v, \alpha) \in -V^{(\cdot)+} \\ \left(\frac{\alpha}{\|v\|}v, \|v\|\right), & \text{if } (v, \alpha) \notin V^{(\cdot)+} \cup -V^{(\cdot)+}. \end{cases}$$

Then $(V^{(\cdot)}, V^{(\cdot)+}, |\cdot|)$ is an absolutely ordered space if and only if V is strictly convex.

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For $(u, \alpha), (v, \beta) \in V^{(\infty)}$, we define

$$(u, \alpha) \circ (v, \beta) := \left(\alpha v + \beta u, \alpha\beta + \frac{1}{4}(\|u + v\|^2 - \|u - v\|^2) \right).$$

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What is in the future?

Thank you very much for your attention!

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