

# Semi-spectral integrals and related mappings

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**Abstract.** The present paper deals with mappings  $X(\cdot) \rightarrow \int X dF$ .  $X$  stands here for a bounded operator function on a Hilbert space and  $F$  for a semi-spectral measure. We prove some  $L^2$  type estimates for  $\int X dF$ . Next we show that the above mapping is completely contractive provided  $F$  is normalized. Similar properties hold true for integrals  $\int X G d\mu$  with operator density  $G$ . One always assumes that  $X(\cdot)$  intertwines measures or densities respectively. The last part of the paper deals with dilation properties of the mapping  $X(\cdot) \rightarrow \int X dF$ .

The present paper deals with operators which intertwine semi-spectral measures. There are also considered some completely contractive mappings related to semi-spectral integrals of operator valued functions. Among others we prove a generalization of the inequality obtained by S. Parrott in [9]. We also present some general properties of operator intertwining completely positive maps and derive therefore several properties of mappings induced by semi-spectral integrals. As to dilation theory we refer here to [1], [5].

1. Throughout the present paper  $H$  stands for a complex Hilbert space.  $L(H)$  denotes the algebra of all bounded linear operators in  $H$ .  $I$  is the identity operator in  $H$ . Let  $A$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra and  $M_n$  the  $C^*$ -algebra of all complex  $n \times n$  matrices. The tensor product  $A \otimes M_n$  of all  $n \times n$  matrices over  $A$  is a  $*$ -algebra. It is also  $C^*$ -algebra because there is a unique  $C^*$ -norm on this  $*$ -algebra (see [1] for details). For symmetric subspace  $S \subset A$  we define  $S \otimes M_n = \{V | V = (v_{ij}) \in A \otimes M_n, v_{ij} \in S\}$ . Suppose we are given the linear map  $\varphi: B \rightarrow L(H)$  of the symmetric subspace  $B$  of  $A$ . We define a linear map

$$\varphi_n: B \otimes M_n \rightarrow L(H) \otimes M_n \quad (n \geq 1)$$

by applying  $\varphi$  element by element, to each matrix over  $B$ . The following definition appears in [1]: We say that  $\varphi$  is completely contractive (positive) if for every  $n \geq 1$ ,  $\varphi_n$  is contractive (positive). Suppose we are given a  $\sigma$ -field  $\mathcal{B}$  of subsets of the space  $\Omega$  and a positive, finite measure  $\mu$  on this field. In what follows we are interested merely in integrating of bounded operator valued functions.

**DEFINITION 1.** The bounded operator valued function  $X: \Omega \rightarrow L(H)$  is called *simple* if  $X(w) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} X_i \psi_{\sigma_i}(w)$  where  $X_i \in L(H)$  and  $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n, \dots$  is a partition of  $\Omega$  i.e.  $\sigma_i \cap \sigma_j = \emptyset$  ( $i \neq j$ ) and  $\Omega = \bigcup_i \sigma_i$ .

**DEFINITION 2.** We say that the bounded function  $X: \Omega \rightarrow L(H)$  is  *$\mathcal{B}$ -measurable*, if there exists a sequence  $X_n(\cdot)$  of simple functions such that  $\sup_{w \in \Omega} \|X(w) - X_n(w)\| \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$ , where  $\mu(\gamma) = 0$ .

Since  $\mu$  is finite every  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable function is integrable in the sense of Bochner (see [3] — for definition). More precisely, if  $X(\cdot)$  is simple and  $X(w) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} X_i \psi_{\sigma_i}(w)$  then  $\int_{\Omega} X(w) d\mu = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} X_i \mu(\sigma_i)$  by definition. Now if  $X_n$  is a sequence of simple functions such that  $\sup_{w \in \Omega} \|X_n(w) - X(w)\| \rightarrow 0$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty$  ( $\mu(\Omega_0) = 0$ ) then  $\int_{\Omega} X(w) d\mu = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\Omega} X_n(w) d\mu$  — see [3] for details. Note that a product of  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable functions is also integrable, since it is  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable.

Let  $X(\cdot)$  and  $G(\cdot)$  be  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable operator valued functions and  $0 \leq G(w) \leq I$  for  $w \in \Omega$ . It follows that the function  $X(w)G(w)$  is integrable. Let  $Y_i: \Omega \rightarrow L(H_i)$   $i = 1, \dots, k$  be a set of functions. Then the vectorial function  $\bar{Y}(w) = (Y_1(w), \dots, Y_k(w)) \in L(H_1) \times \dots \times L(H_k)$  is  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable if and only if every  $Y_i$  is  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable. This shows that the following proposition holds true.

**PROPOSITION 1.1.** Suppose we are given the set of integrals  $\int_{\Omega} X_{ik}(w)G(w) d\mu$  ( $i, k = 1, \dots, m$ ). Then for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a partition  $\{\sigma_i\}$  of  $\Omega$  such that

$$\left\| \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} B_j^{ik} \mu(\sigma_j) - \int_{\Omega} X_{ik}(w)G(w) d\mu \right\| < \varepsilon, \quad \text{for } i, k = 1, \dots, m,$$

where  $B_j^{ik} = X_{ik}(w_j)G(w_j)$  and  $w_j \in \sigma_j$ .

Let us consider two operator valued  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable functions  $G_i(w)$  ( $w \in \Omega$ ) such that  $0 \leq G_i(w) \leq I$ . Denote by  $\mathcal{T}$  the set of all  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable functions which intertwine  $G_i(w)$  i.e.

$$(1) \quad G_2(w)X(w) = X(w)G_1(w)$$

$\mu$ -almost everywhere.  $\mathcal{T}$  becomes the Banach space with the following norm  $\|X(\cdot)\| = \sup_w \|X(w)\|$ . The spectral theorem yields that  $X(\cdot) \in \mathcal{T}$  intertwines  $G_i^{1/2}(\cdot)$  that is  $G_2^{1/2}(w)X(w) = X(w)G_1^{1/2}(w)$   $\mu$ -almost everywhere. We can prove now the following

**THEOREM 1.1.** Let  $\mu(\Omega) = 1$  and let  $\mathcal{T} \ni X(\cdot) \rightarrow \int_{\Omega} G_2(w)X(w) d\mu$

$= \int_{\Omega} X(w)G_1(w) d\mu \in L(H)$  be the linear map of  $\mathcal{T}$  into  $L(H)$ . For every  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , the following inequality holds true:

$$\left\| \left( \int_{\Omega} G_2(w)X_{ik}(w) d\mu \right) \right\|_{L(H \otimes \dots \otimes H)} \leq \sup_w \|X_{ik}(w)\|_{L(H \otimes \dots \otimes H)} \\ i, k = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

**Proof.** Let  $(f_1, \dots, f_n) = \hat{f} \in \bigoplus_{i=1}^n H_i$  ( $g_1, \dots, g_n = \hat{g} \in \bigoplus_{i=1}^n H_i$ , where  $H_i = H$ ). By the Proposition 1.1 we can take approximating sums for  $\int_{\Omega} G_2(w)X_{ik}(w) d\mu$  of the form:  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} G_2(w_j)X_{ik}(w_j)\mu(\sigma_j)$ .

We have now

$$\left| \sum_{ik=1}^n \left( \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} G_2(w_j)X_{ik}(w_j)\mu(\sigma_j)f_k, g_i \right) \right| \\ = \left| \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{ik=1}^n (G_2(w_j)X_{ik}(w_j)\mu(\sigma_j)f_k, g_i) \right| \\ = \left| \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{ik=1}^n (X_{ik}(w_j)G_1^{1/2}(w_j)\mu(\sigma_j)f_k, G_2^{1/2}(w_j)g_i) \right| \\ \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sup_w \|X_{ik}(w)\|_{L(H \otimes H)} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n \|G_1^{1/2}(w_j)\mu^{1/2}(\sigma_j)f_k\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|G_2^{1/2}(w_j)\mu^{1/2}(\sigma_j)g_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ \leq \sup_w \|X_{ik}(w)\|_{L(H \otimes H)} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \|G_1^{1/2}(w_j)\mu^{1/2}(\sigma_j)f_k\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ \left( \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \|G_2^{1/2}(w_j)\mu^{1/2}(\sigma_j)g_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \leq \sup_w \|X_{ik}(w)\|_{L(H \otimes H)} \|\hat{f}\| \cdot \|\hat{g}\|.$$

Since  $f$  and  $g$  are arbitrary the proof is complete.

If  $G_1 = G_2 = G$  in the above theorem, then  $\mathcal{T}$  becomes a  $C^*$ -algebra with involution  $X^*(w) = X(w)^*$ . From Theorem 1.1. we derive

**COROLLARY 1.1.** If  $G_1 = G_2 = G$  then the linear map  $\mathcal{T} \ni X(\cdot) \rightarrow \int_{\Omega} X(w)G(w) d\mu$  is completely contractive.

Now let us define a class of  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable operator valued functions.

**DEFINITION 3.** The bounded operator valued function  $X: \Omega \rightarrow L(H)$  is called  *$\mathcal{B}$ -measurable*, if there is a sequence of simple functions  $X_n(w)$  such that  $\sup_w \|X(w) - X_n(w)\| \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$ .

Let  $X: \Omega \rightarrow L(H)$  be  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable and let  $F_i: \Omega \rightarrow L(H)$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) be semi-spectral measures. Suppose that  $X(w)$  intertwines  $F_2$  and  $F_1$  i.e.

$$(2) \quad F_2(\sigma)X(w) = X(w)F_1(\sigma) \quad \text{for all } w \in \Omega \text{ and } \sigma \in \mathcal{B}.$$

Denote by  $\mathcal{C}$  the set of all  $X(\cdot)$  such that (2) holds true. For  $X(\cdot) \in \mathcal{C}$  one can define the integral  $\int_{\Omega} X(w) dF_1 (= \int_{\Omega} dF_2 X(w))$  (see [6], [7] — for references). We have the following

**THEOREM 1.2.** *If  $F_i(\Omega) = I$  for  $i = 1, 2$ , then the linear map  $\mathcal{C} \ni X \rightarrow \int_{\Omega} X(w) dF_1$  for every  $n = 1, 2, \dots$  satisfies the inequality:*

$$\left\| \left( \int_{\Omega} X_{ik}(w) dF_1 \right) \right\|_{L(H \oplus \dots \oplus H)} \leq \sup \| (X_{ik}(w)) \|_{L(H \oplus \dots \oplus H)} \quad (i, k = 1, \dots, n).$$

The proof of Theorem 1.2 is just the same as that of Theorem 1.1. In particular, if  $F_1 = F_2 = F$ , then  $\mathcal{C}$  becomes  $C^*$ -algebra and so we have

**COROLLARY 1.2.** *If  $F_1 = F_2 = F$  then linear map  $\mathcal{C} \ni X(\cdot) \rightarrow \int_{\Omega} X(w) dF$  is completely contractive provided (2) holds true i.e. the values of  $X(\cdot)$  and  $F(\cdot)$  commute.*

Note by the way, that from the above corollary one can deduce, that every contractive representation  $T: A \rightarrow L(H)$  (such that  $T(1) = I$ ) of the Dirichlet algebra  $A \subset C(\Omega)$  ( $\Omega$ -compact Hausdorff space) is completely contractive. Indeed, it is known (see [2]), that then  $T(w) = \int_{\Omega} w dF$ , where  $F$  is a unique, regular, normalized semi-spectral measure on Borel subsets of  $\Omega$ . Taking in the Corollary 1.2  $\mathcal{C} = C(\Omega)$  we get the claim. We emphasize that our proof is direct and avoids the Naimark dilation theorem for semi-spectral measure  $F$ .

Let  $X: \Omega \rightarrow L(H)$  be  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable and let  $F$  be a normalized semi-spectral measure. Assume that the values of  $X(\cdot)$  and  $F(\cdot)$  commute. We will prove the following theorem

**THEOREM 1.3.** *Let  $X: \Omega \rightarrow L(H)$  and  $F$  be as above. Then for every  $f \in H$  we have the inequality*

$$(\alpha) \quad \left\| \left( \int_{\Omega} X(w) dF \right) f \right\|^2 \leq \int_{\Omega} \|X(w)\|^2 d(Ff, f).$$

**Proof.** If  $f, g \in H$  are arbitrary and  $\{\sigma_i\}$  is a partition of  $\Omega$ , then we have for  $w_i \in \sigma_i$

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (X(w_i) F(\sigma_i) f, g) \right| &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |(X(w_i) F^{1/2}(\sigma_i) f, F^{1/2}(\sigma_i) g)| \\ &\leq \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \|X(w_i) F^{1/2}(\sigma_i) f\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \cdot \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \|F^{1/2}(\sigma_i) g\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \|X(w_i) F^{1/2}(\sigma_i) f\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \cdot \|g\|. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} X(w_i) F(\sigma_i) f \right\|^2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \|X(w_i) F^{1/2}(\sigma_i) f\|^2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \|X(w_i)\|^2 (F(\sigma_i) f, f).$$

Since the partition  $\{\sigma_i\}$  is arbitrary the theorem is proved. Now let  $X: \Omega \rightarrow L(H)$  be  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable and let  $0 \leq G(w) \leq I$  ( $w \in \Omega$ ) be also  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable. Assume that the values of  $X(\cdot)$  and  $G(\cdot)$  commute  $\mu$ -almost everywhere. Then we have an analogous to Theorem 1.3

**THEOREM 1.4.** *Let  $X: \Omega \rightarrow L(H)$  and  $G$  be as above. For every  $f \in H$  we have the inequality:*

$$(\beta) \quad \left\| \left( \int_{\Omega} X(w) G(w) d\mu \right) f \right\|^2 \leq \int_{\Omega} \|X(w)\|^2 (G(w) f, f) d\mu.$$

The proof is just the same as that of Theorem 1.3.

**Remark 1.1.** Note that inequality (a) implies the results obtained by Mlak and Ryll-Nardzewski in [7]. The estimation (a) is better than the inequality

$$\left\| \int_{\Omega} X(w) dF \right\| \leq \sup_w \|X(w)\| \cdot \|F(\Omega)\|.$$

**Remark 1.2.** Let  $T \in L(H)$ ,  $\|T\| \leq 1$  and let  $F$  denote semi-spectral measure of  $T$  (see [5]). Consider a matrix  $(p_{ij})$   $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ , of polynomials  $p_{ij}(z) = p_{ij}(z, A_{0ij}, \dots, A_{kij})$  ( $|z| = 1$ ) with operator coefficients  $A_{sij}$  commuting with  $T$  and  $T^*$ . For each fixed  $z$ , the matrix  $(p_{ij}(z))$  is considered as an operator on  $\bigoplus_{i=1}^n H_i = M$ ,  $H_i = H$ . Since  $T$  is a contraction, we have the equality:

$$\begin{aligned} p_{ij}(T, A_{0ij}, \dots, A_{kij}) &= \sum_{s=0}^k A_{sij} T^s = \int_{|z|=1} \sum_{s=0}^k z^s A_{sij} dF \\ &= \int_{|z|=1} p_{ij}(z, A_{0ij}, \dots, A_{kij}) dF. \end{aligned}$$

Corollary 2.1 proves that

$$\|(p_{ij}(T, A_{0ij}, \dots, A_{kij}))\|_{L(M)} \leq \sup_{|z|=1} \|(p_{ij}(z, A_{0ij}, \dots, A_{kij}))\|_{L(M)}.$$

This inequality generalizes the inequality obtained by Parrott [9] in a different way.

Assume now that  $T \in L(H)$  has a unitary  $\varrho$ -dilation ( $\varrho > 0$ ) i.e.

$$T^n = \text{pr } \varrho \cdot U^n \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

where  $U$  is unitary (see [5] Ch. I for details). Let  $E$  be the spectral measure of  $U$  and  $F = \text{pr } E$ . Let  $B_{kij} \in L(H)$   $k = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $i, j = i, \dots, m$  commute with  $T$  and  $T^*$ . Then  $B_{kij} F(\sigma) = F(\sigma) B_{kij}$  for  $\sigma \in \mathcal{B}$ . Next we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^n B_{kij} T^k &= \varrho \cdot \sum_{k=0}^n B_{kij} \int_{|z|=1} z^k dF + (1-\varrho) B_{0ij} \int_{|z|=1} z^0 dF \\ &= \int_{|z|=1} \left( \varrho \sum_{k=0}^n B_{kij} z^k + (1-\varrho) B_{0ij} \right) dF. \end{aligned}$$

Applying Corollary 2.1 once more we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\| \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{k=0}^n B_{k11} T^k, \dots, \sum_{k=0}^n B_{k1m} T^k \\ \sum_{k=0}^n B_{k21} T^k, \dots, \sum_{k=0}^n B_{k2m} T^k \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{k=0}^n B_{kn1} T^k, \dots, \sum_{k=0}^n B_{knm} T^k \end{bmatrix} \right\|_{L(M)} \\ &\leq \sup_{|z|=1} \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \varrho \sum_{k=0}^n B_{k11} z^k, \dots, \varrho \sum_{k=0}^n B_{k1m} z^k \\ \varrho \sum_{k=0}^n B_{k21} z^k, \dots, \varrho \sum_{k=0}^n B_{k2m} z^k \\ \vdots \\ \varrho \sum_{k=0}^n B_{kn1} z^k, \dots, \varrho \sum_{k=0}^n B_{knm} z^k \end{bmatrix} + (1-\varrho) \begin{bmatrix} B_{011}, \dots, B_{01m} \\ B_{021}, \dots, B_{02m} \\ \vdots \\ B_{0n1}, \dots, B_{0nm} \end{bmatrix} \right\|_{L(M)}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $M = \underbrace{H \oplus \dots \oplus H}_n$ .

2. Let  $B$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra with the unit element  $e$  and  $\varphi_i: B \rightarrow L(H_i)$   $i = 1, 2$  a completely positive linear map. Stinespring proved (see [1]) that every such  $\varphi_i$  has the form  $\varphi_i(u) = V_i^* \psi_i(u) V_i$  where  $\psi_i$  is a representation of  $B$  on some Hilbert space  $K_i$  and  $V_i$  is a bounded linear operator from  $H_i$  to  $K_i$ . Setting  $L_i = [\psi_i(B) V_i H_i]$ , then the restriction  $\bar{\psi}_i$  of  $\psi_i$  to  $L_i$  also satisfies the equality  $\varphi_i(u) = V_i^* \bar{\psi}_i(u) V_i$ , so there is no loss of generality, if we require that  $[\psi_i(B) V_i H_i] = K_i$ .

The pair  $(\psi_i, V_i)$  is called *minimal* if  $[\psi_i(B) V_i H_i] = K_i$ .

We will prove later, that the map (considered before)  $\mathcal{F} \ni X(\cdot) \rightarrow \int_{\mathcal{B}} X(w) G(w) d\mu$  is completely positive. Also the map  $\varphi \ni X(\cdot) \rightarrow \int_{\mathcal{B}} X(w) dF$  is completely positive, since it is completely contractive and  $F(\Omega) = I$ .

Let  $X: H_1 \rightarrow H_2$  be a bounded operator which intertwines  $F_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) — the normalized semi-spectral measures. By the theorem due to Lebow [4], see also Mlak [8],  $X$  extends uniquely to an operator  $\tilde{X} \in L(K_1, K_2)$  such that

$$\text{a) } \tilde{X} \cdot E_1(\sigma) = E_2(\sigma) \cdot \tilde{X},$$

$$\text{b) } \|\tilde{X}\| = \|X\|$$

$E_i$  stands here for the minimal spectral dilation of  $F_i$ .

A more general theorem holds true for  $X \in L(H_1, H_2)$  which intertwine completely positive linear maps  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  of a general  $C^*$ -algebra. Its proof reduces to the use of suitably modified arguments given by Arveson in the proof of Theorem 1.3.1 of [1].

**THEOREM 2.1.** *Let  $B$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra with the unit  $e$ . Assume that  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  are completely positive linear maps of  $B$ . If  $X: H_1 \rightarrow H_2$  is a bounded operator such that*

$$X\varphi_1(u) = \varphi_2(u)X \quad \text{for } u \in B$$

*then there is a unique bounded operator  $\tilde{X}: K_1 \rightarrow K_2$  which satisfies the following equalities*

$$(1) \quad \tilde{X}\varphi_1(u) = \varphi_2(u)\tilde{X},$$

$$(2) \quad \tilde{X}V_1 = V_2X,$$

$$(3) \quad V_2^* \tilde{X} = XV_1^* \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{X}V_1V_1^* = V_2V_2^* \tilde{X}.$$

**Proof.** Let  $f_1, \dots, f_n \in H$  and  $u_1, \dots, u_n \in B$ . We claim that

$$\left\| \sum_{j=1}^n \varphi_2(u_j) V_2 X f_j \right\|^2 \leq \|X\|^2 \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n \varphi_1(u_j) V_1 f_j \right\|^2.$$

If  $n = 1$ , then for  $f \in H$  and  $u \in B$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} (*) \quad \|\varphi_2(u) V_2 X f\|^2 &= (V_2^* \varphi_2(u^* u) V_2 X f, X f) \\ &= (\varphi_2(u^* u) X f, X f) = (X^* X \varphi_1(u^* u) f, f) \\ &= ((X^* X) (V_1^* \varphi_1(u^* u) V_1) f, f) \end{aligned}$$

$V_1^* \varphi_1(u^* u) V_1$  is positive operator which commutes with  $X^* X$ . Indeed  $X^* X \varphi_1(u^* u) = X^* \varphi_2(u^* u) X = \varphi_1(u^* u) X^* X$  and so does the positive square root of  $\varphi_1(u^* u)$ . Denoting this square root by  $S$  we obtain from (\*)

$$\|\varphi_2(u) V_2 X f\|^2 = (X^* X S^2 f, f) = \|X S f\|^2 \leq \|X\|^2 \|S f\|^2 = \|X\|^2 \|\varphi_1(u) V_1 f\|^2.$$

The case  $n > 1$  is reduced to the preceding ( $n = 1$ ) in the following way.

Let  $H_l^i = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n H_l^i$  ( $H_l^i = H_l$ ) for  $l = 1, 2$   $K_l^i = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n K_l^i$  ( $K_l^i = K_l$ ) for  $l = 1, 2$ . Let  $X^l \in L(H_l^1, H_l^2)$  be the operator given by the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} X & & 0 \\ & X & \\ & & \ddots \\ 0 & & & X \end{bmatrix},$$

$V_i \in L(H_i^1, K_i^1)$  given by the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} V_i & & 0 \\ & V_i & \\ 0 & & V_i \end{bmatrix}$$

and  $A_i \in L(K_i^1)$  given by the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} \psi_i(u_1), \dots, \psi_i(u_n) \\ 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then  $V_i^* A_i^* A_i V_i = B_i \in L(H_i^1)$  has the matrix  $(b_{jk}^i)$ , where  $b_{jk}^i = V_i^* \psi_i(u_j^*) \psi_i(u_k) V_i$ . The equality  $X b_{jk}^i = b_{jk}^i X$ , for  $j, k = 1, \dots, n$  implies that

$$X^1 B_i^1 = B_i^1 X^1.$$

Now for  $(f_1, \dots, f_n) = \hat{f} \in H_1^1$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n \psi_2(u_j) V_2 X f_j \right\|^2 &= \sum_{j=1}^n (V_2^* \psi_2(u_j^*) \psi_1(u_j) V_2 X f_j, f_j) \\ &= (V_2^* A_2^* A_2 V_2 X \hat{f}, X \hat{f}) \leq \|X\|^2 \|A_1 V_1 \hat{f}\|^2 \\ &= \|X\|^2 \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n \psi_1(u_j) V_1 f_j \right\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

and that proves the claim. We infer that the operator determined by the equality  $\tilde{X}(\sum_j \psi_1(u_j) V_1 f_j) = \sum_j \psi_2(u_j) V_2 X f_j$  is well defined and extends uniquely to an operator  $\tilde{X} \in L(K_1, K_2)$  on  $[\psi_1(B) V_1 H_1] = K_1$ . It is obvious that  $\|\tilde{X}\| \leq \|X\|$ . It is easy to check that  $\tilde{X} \psi_1(u) = \psi_2(u) \tilde{X}$ . To see this write

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{X} \psi_1(u) \sum_j \psi_1(u_j) V_1 f_j &= \tilde{X} \sum_j \psi_1(u u_j) V_1 f_j = \sum_j \psi_2(u u_j) V_2 X f_j \\ &= \psi_2(u) \sum_j \psi_2(u_j) V_2 X f_j = \psi_2(u) \tilde{X} \sum_j \psi_1(u_j) V_1 f_j. \end{aligned}$$

We obtained equality on a dense subset of  $K_1$ , so it holds true on all of  $K_1$ . The equality  $\tilde{X} V_1 = V_2 X$  is obvious because  $u \in B$ . The uniqueness of the operator  $X$  satisfying (1) and (2) is a consequence of the equality  $[\psi_1(B) V_1 H_1] = K_1$ .

The proof of (3) is also immediate. Indeed

$$\begin{aligned} V_2^* \tilde{X} \sum_j \psi_1(u_j) V_1 f_j &= V_2^* \sum_j \psi_2(u_j) \tilde{X} V_1 f_j = V_2^* \sum_j \psi_2(u_j) V_2 X f_j \\ &= \sum_j \varphi_2(u_j) X f_j = \sum_j \varphi_1(u_j) f_j = X V_1^* \sum_j \psi_1(u_j) V_1 f_j. \end{aligned}$$

The conclusion follows since  $[\psi_1(B) V_1 H_1] = K_1$ . The proof is complete.

Now we will show that the mapping  $X \rightarrow \tilde{X}$  preserves certain properties of  $X$ . Note that if  $X \varphi_1(u) = \varphi_2(u) X$  for  $u \in B$ , then  $\varphi_1(u) X^* = X^* \varphi_2(u)$  and so by the symmetry of the role of  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  it makes a sense an extension  $\tilde{X}^*$  of the  $X^*$ . First we observe that  $\tilde{X}^* = \tilde{X}^*$ .

To prove this write

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \sum_j \psi_1(u_j) V_1 f_j, \tilde{X}^* \sum_i \psi_2(u_i) V_2 g_i \right) &= \left( \tilde{X} \sum_j \psi_1(u_j) V_1 f_j, \sum_i \psi_2(u_i) V_2 g_i \right) \\ &= \left( \sum_j \psi_2(u_j) V_2 X f_j, \sum_i \psi_2(u_i) V_2 g_i \right) \\ &= \sum_{ij} (\varphi_2(u_i^* u_j) X f_j, g_i) \\ &= \sum_{ij} (\varphi_1(u_i^* u_j) f_j, X^* g_i) \\ &= \left( \sum_j \psi_1(u_j) V_1 f_j, \sum_i \psi_1(u_i) V_1 X^* g_i \right) \\ &= \left( \sum_j \psi_1(u_j) V_1 f_j, \tilde{X}^* \sum_i \psi_2(u_i) V_2 g_i \right) \end{aligned}$$

and since  $[\psi_i(B) V_i H_i] = K_i$ , the proof is complete.

Moreover, we have the following corollary:

**COROLLARY 2.1.** *Let  $B$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra and let  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2, X$  and  $\tilde{X}$  be as in the Theorem 2.1.*

*The following implications holds true:*

- If  $X^* = X^{-1}$  then  $\tilde{X}^* = \tilde{X}^{-1}$ .
- If  $X^* X = I_{H_1}$  then  $\tilde{X}^* \tilde{X} = I_{K_1}$ .
- If  $R(\tilde{X}) = H_2$  then  $R(X) = K_2$ .
- If  $X$  is strictly invertible so is  $\tilde{X}$  and  $\tilde{X}^{-1} = \tilde{X}^{-1}$ .

**3.** As we mentioned before when using Theorems 1.2 and 2.1 one can give an easy proof of the following fact due to Lebow [4] (see also Mlak [8]).



(T) If  $F_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) denotes a normalized semi-spectral measure on  $\Omega$ , then every operator  $X \in L(H_1, H_2)$  such that  $F_2(\sigma)X = XF_1(\sigma)$  for all  $\sigma \in \mathcal{B}$  extends uniquely to an operator  $\tilde{X} \in L(K_1, K_2)$  such that

$$i) \tilde{X}E_1(\sigma) = E_2(\sigma)\tilde{X},$$

$$ii) \|\tilde{X}\| = \|X\|$$

where  $E_i$  — is the minimal spectral dilation of  $F_i$ .

To see this note that the condition  $XF_1(\sigma) = F_2(\sigma)X$  for all  $\sigma \in \mathcal{B}$  implies the equality  $X \cdot \int_{\Omega} Y(w) dF_1 = \int_{\Omega} Y(w) dF_2 \cdot X$  for every scalar valued  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable, bounded function  $Y: \Omega \rightarrow C$ . By Theorem 1.2 the mappings  $Y \rightarrow \int_{\Omega} Y(w) dF_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) are completely contractive and so they are completely positive (see [1]). Theorem 2.1 asserts that there exists an operator  $\tilde{X} \in L(K_1, K_2)$  such that

$$i) \tilde{X} \cdot \int_{\Omega} Y(w) dE_1 = \int_{\Omega} Y(w) dE_2 \cdot \tilde{X},$$

$$ii) \|\tilde{X}\| = \|X\|,$$

$$iii) \tilde{X}f = Xf \text{ for all } f \in H.$$

Note that by Corollary 2.1 this extension  $\tilde{X}$  shares the series of properties of  $X$ , mentioned in Corollary 2.1. One can also prove a similar theorem concerning  $X$  intertwining densities  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  considered in Theorem 1.1.

The fact that each  $X$ , which commutes with semi-spectral measure  $F$  ( $F(\Omega) = I$ ) extends uniquely to  $\tilde{X}$ , which commutes with its minimal spectral dilation  $E$ , implies completely contractivity of the map  $\mathcal{C} \ni X(\cdot) \rightarrow \int_{\Omega} X(w) dF$ . Indeed, to every  $X(\cdot) \in \mathcal{C}$  there corresponds an operator valued function  $\tilde{X}(\cdot)$ , which is also  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable, because the mapping  $X \rightarrow \tilde{X}$  is isometric. We denote the \*-isomorphism  $X \rightarrow \tilde{X}$  by  $\tau$ . Let us denote by  $\tilde{\mathcal{C}}$  the  $C^*$ -algebra  $\tau(\mathcal{C}) \subset L(K)$ . Let the sequence  $X_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X(w_i^n) F(\sigma_i^n)$  tend to  $\int_{\Omega} X(w) dF$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Write  $\sum_{i=1}^n X(w_i^n) F(\sigma_i^n) = P \sum_{i=1}^n X(w_i^n) E(\sigma_i^n)$ ,  $P: K \rightarrow H$ -projection. Passing to the limit in the above equality we have

$$\int_{\Omega} X(w) dF = P \int_{\Omega} \tilde{X}(w) dE$$

or equivalently  $T(X) = P\tilde{T}(\tau(X))$ , where  $\tilde{T}(\tau(X)) = \int_{\Omega} \tilde{X}(w) dE$ . We will show that  $\tilde{T}$  is multiplicative on  $\tilde{\mathcal{C}}$ . It suffices to prove the multiplicativity of  $\tilde{T}$  for simple functions. Without losing generality, we can

take simple functions  $\psi_1, \psi_2 \in \tilde{\mathcal{C}}$  of the following form:  $\psi_1(w) = \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_1(w_i^1) \times \times \psi_{\sigma_i^1}(w), \psi_2(w) = \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_2(w_i^2) \psi_{\sigma_i^2}(w)$ .

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{T}(\psi_1) \cdot T(\psi_2) &= \sum_{i=1}^n X_1(w_i^1) E(\sigma_i^1) \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_2(w_i^2) E(\sigma_i^2) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_1(w_i^1) \cdot \tilde{X}_2(w_i^2) E(\sigma_i^1) = \tilde{T}(\psi_1 \cdot \psi_2). \end{aligned}$$

We conclude from the above that  $T$  is a projection of the representation  $T \circ \tau$  of  $\mathcal{C}$ . It is known that every linear map of a general  $C^*$ -algebra into  $L(H)$ , which is a projection of a representation of this  $C^*$ -algebra is completely contractive. Consequently  $T$  is completely contractive.

It follows from Corollary 2.1 that if  $X(\cdot) \in \mathcal{C}$  and for every  $w \in \Omega$ ,  $\tilde{X}(w)$  is isometric, unitary, normal etc. then for every  $w \in \Omega$ ,  $\tilde{X}(w)$  is isometric, unitary, normal etc. Conclusion: if  $X(w)$  are isometric, normal, unitary etc. then  $\int_{\Omega} \tilde{X} dE$  is isometric, normal, unitary etc. Let us reconsider the situation as in Corollary 1.1. Above all observe that the map

$$\varphi: X(\cdot) \rightarrow \int_{\Omega} X(w) \cdot G(w) d\mu, \quad \text{for } X(\cdot) \in \mathcal{T}$$

is a completely positive linear map of  $\mathcal{T}$  into  $L(H)$ . Indeed, if  $(X_{ij}(\cdot))$  is a positive  $n \times n$  matrix over  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $f_1, \dots, f_n \in H$ , then one can choose  $Z_{ij}(\cdot)$  such that  $(X_{ij}(\cdot)) = (Z_{ij}(\cdot))^* (Z_{ij}(\cdot))$ .

By Proposition 1.1 we can take approximating sums for  $\int_{\Omega} X_{ij}(w) \times \times G(w) d\mu$  of the form:  $\sum_{i=1}^n X_{ij}(w_i) \cdot G(w_i) \mu(\sigma_i)$ .

Now observe that

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{i,j=1}^n \left( \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{l=1}^n Z_{ki}^*(w_l) Z_{lj}(w_l) G(w_l) \mu(\sigma_l) f_j, f_i \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{l=1}^n \left( Z_{ki}^*(w_l) Z_{lj}(w_l) G^{1/2}(w_l) \mu(\sigma_l) f_j, G^{1/2}(w_l) f_i \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n \left\| \sum_{l=1}^n Z_{kl}(w_l) G^{1/2}(w_l) \mu^{1/2}(\sigma_l) f_i \right\|^2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

and so our assertion is true. As we know by Stinespring theorem (see [1] p. 145)  $\varphi(X) = V^* \Pi(X) V$  where  $\Pi$  is a representation of  $\mathcal{T}$  on  $K$ ,  $V \in L(H, K)$  and  $K = [\Pi(\mathcal{T}) V H]$ .

We will find out some models of the space  $K$  assuming that  $H$  is separable. Let us define the space  $M$  of all measurable functions  $f: \Omega \rightarrow H$  (i.e. the scalar function  $\langle f(w), h \rangle$  is measurable for every  $h \in H$ ) for which

$$\int_{\Omega} \langle G(w)f(w), f(w) \rangle d\mu < +\infty.$$

$M$  is a preunitary space with respect to the semi-inner product

$$(f, g) = \int_{\Omega} \langle G(w)f(w), f(w) \rangle d\mu.$$

Let  $N = \{f \in M: (f, f) = 0\}$ . Then the quotient space  $M/N$  after completion becomes a Hilbert space. Denoting this Hilbert space by  $\mathcal{L}^2(\mu G, H)$ , we claim that  $K = \mathcal{L}^2(\mu G, H)$ .

To prove it we take  $X_i = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} D_k^i \psi \sigma_k$  ( $i = 1, \dots, m$ ), the set of simple functions and  $f_1, \dots, f_m \in H$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^m \Pi(X_i) V f_i \right\|^2 &= \left\| \sum_i \sum_k \Pi(D_k^{(i)}) V f_i \right\|^2 \\ &= \left\| \sum_k \sum_i \Pi(D_k^{(i)}) V f_i \right\|^2 = \sum_k \left\| \sum_i \Pi(D_k^{(i)}) V f_i \right\|^2 \\ &= \sum_k \sum_{ij} \left( \int_{\sigma_k} \langle G(w) D_k^{(i)} d\mu f_i, D_k^{(j)} f_j \rangle \right) \\ &= \sum_k \sum_{ij} \int_{\sigma_k} \langle G(w) D_k^{(i)} f_i, D_k^{(j)} f_j \rangle d\mu \\ &= \sum_{ij} \int_{\Omega} \langle G(w) X_i f_i, X_j f_j \rangle d\mu = \left\| \sum_i X_i f_i \right\|_{\mathcal{L}^2(\mu G, H)}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Let us define the map  $T$  by the equality:

$$T \left( \sum_i \Pi(X_i) V f_i \right) = \sum_i X_i f_i.$$

The above equality implies that  $T$  is isometric map from  $K$  to  $\mathcal{L}^2(\mu G, H)$ . Since simple functions  $\sum_i X_i f_i$  are dense in  $\mathcal{L}^2(\mu G, H)$  so  $T$  extends to a unitary operator from  $K$  on  $\mathcal{L}^2(\mu G, H)$ .

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