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## Superpositions of states and a representation theorem

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ABSTRACT. — A quantum logic  $(L, P)$  is considered, where  $P$  is a set of pure states. The set  $\mathcal{L}(P)$  of all subsets of  $P$  closed under superpositions is studied. It is shown that  $\mathcal{L}(P)$  is isomorphic to the set of all linear subspaces of a vector space. In case that each state in  $P$  has a carrier, an orthocomplementation can be defined in a subset  $\mathcal{F}(P)$  of  $\mathcal{L}(P)$ . An imbedding theorem for the logic  $L$  into the logic  $L(H)$  of a Hilbert space  $H$  is then proved.

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### 1. DEFINITIONS AND NOTATION

Let  $L$  be a partially ordered set with the first and last elements  $1$  and  $0$ , respectively, and with the orthocomplementation  $a \mapsto a^\perp : L \rightarrow L$ . Let the lattice sum  $\bigvee_i a_i$  exist in  $L$  for any sequence  $\{a_i\} \subset L$  such that  $a_i \leq a_j^\perp$ ,  $i \neq j$ ,  $i, j = 1, 2, \dots$ . The elements  $a, b \in L$  are said to be orthogonal ( $a \perp b$ ) if  $a \leq b^\perp$  and they are said to be compatible ( $a \leftrightarrow b$ ) if there exist elements  $a_1, b_1, c$  in  $L$ , mutually orthogonal and such that  $a = a_1 \vee c$ ,  $b = b_1 \vee c$ . A map  $m : L \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is a state on  $L$  if *i*)  $m(1) = 1$ , *ii*)  $m(\bigvee_i a_i) = \sum m(a_i)$  for any sequence of mutually orthogonal elements in  $L$ . The state  $m$  is pure if it cannot be written in the form  $m = cm_1 + (1 - c)m_2$ , where  $0 < c < 1$  and  $m_1, m_2$  are distinct states. Let  $P$  be a set of pure states on  $L$ . For  $a \in L$ ,  $m \in P$ , define  $P_a = \{m \in P : m(a) = 1\}$ ,  $L_m = \{a \in L : m(a) = 1\}$ . We shall suppose that *i*)  $P_a \subset P_b$  implies  $a \leq b$  ( $a, b \in L$ ) and *ii*)  $L_{m_1} \subset L_{m_2}$

implies  $m_1 = m_2$ . From *i*) it follows that  $L$  is orthomodular, i. e.  $a \leq b$  ( $a, b \in L$ ) implies  $b = a \vee (b \wedge a^\perp)$  and that to any  $a \in L$ ,  $a \neq 0$ , there is  $m \in P$  such that  $m(a) = 1$  [4]. We shall suppose, in addition, that if  $a, b, c \in L$  are mutually compatible, then  $a \leftrightarrow b \vee c$ . The pair  $(L, P)$ , which satisfies all the suppositions mentioned above, is called a quantum logic.

A state  $m \in P$  is a superposition of the states  $p, q \in P$  if  $p(a) = 0$  and  $q(a) = 0$  imply  $m(a) = 0$  (or, alternatively, if  $p(a) = 1$  and  $q(a) = 1$  imply  $m(a) = 1$ ) [12]. A set  $S \subset P$  is said to be closed under superpositions if it contains every superposition of any pair of its elements. If  $S \subset P$  is not closed under superpositions, let  $\Lambda(S)$  denote the smallest subset of  $P$ , closed under superpositions and containing  $S$ . The set  $S \subset P$  is a sector if *i*)  $S = \Lambda(S)$ , *ii*) to any  $p, q \in S$ ,  $p \neq q$ , there is  $s \in S$ ,  $s \neq p, q$  such that  $s \in \Lambda\{p, q\}$ , *iii*) if  $q \in P$ ,  $q \notin S$  then  $\Lambda\{s, q\} = \{s, q\}$  for any  $s \in S$ . We say that the superposition principle holds in  $(L, P)$  if for any  $p, q \in P$ ,  $p \neq q$ , there is  $r \in P$ ,  $r \neq p, q$  such that  $r \in \Lambda(\{p, q\})$  [9].

Let  $C$  be the set of all elements of  $L$  which are compatible with all the other elements, i. e.  $C = \{a \in L : a \leftrightarrow b \text{ for any } b \in L\}$ .  $C$  is called the centre of  $L$ . It was shown that  $C$  is a Boolean sub- $\sigma$ -algebra of  $L$ . If  $p$  is a pure state and  $c \in C$ , then  $p(c) = 1$  or  $p(c) = 0$  [11, 12]. A logic  $L$  is called irreducible if its centre  $C$  is trivial, i. e.  $C = \{0, 1\}$ . It was shown that if the superposition principle holds on  $(L, P)$ , then  $L$  is irreducible [9].

For  $S \subset P$  and  $a \in L$ , let us write  $S(a) = i$  if  $m(a) = i$  for all  $m \in S$ , where  $i = 0, 1$ . Let  $\bar{S} = \{m \in P : S(a) = 1 \text{ imply } m(a) = 1\}$ . Gudder [6] introduced the following postulate (minimal superposition postulate, MSP): if  $S$  is any finite subset of  $P$  and  $m \in \bar{S}$  is such that  $m \notin \bar{Q}$  for any subset  $Q \subset S$ ,  $Q \neq S$  (i. e.  $m$  is a minimal superposition), then  $\{m, S_1\}^- \cap \bar{S}_2 \neq \emptyset$  for any  $S_1, S_2 \subset P$  such that  $S_1 \cap S_2 = \emptyset$  and  $S_1 \cup S_2 = S$ .

Let us denote by  $\mathcal{L}(P)$  the set of all subsets  $S \subset P$  such that  $\Lambda(S) = S$ .

## 2. STRUCTURE OF THE SET $\mathcal{L}(P)$

In the sequel we shall suppose that  $(L, P)$  is a quantum logic and that the MSP holds in  $P$ ,  $P$  being a set of pure states on  $L$ .

We recall that the map  $S \mapsto \Lambda(S)$  has the following properties [9]:

- i*)  $S_1 \subset S_2$  implies  $\Lambda(S_1) \subset \Lambda(S_2)$ ,
- ii*) if  $S_\alpha \subset P$ ,  $\alpha \in A$ , then  $\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} \Lambda(S_\alpha)$  is closed under superpositions, and  $\Lambda\left(\bigcap_{\alpha} S_\alpha\right) \subset \bigcap_{\alpha} \Lambda(S_\alpha)$ ,
- iii*) if  $S_\alpha \subset P$ ,  $\alpha \in A$ , then  $\bigcup_{\alpha} \Lambda(S_\alpha) \subset \Lambda\left(\bigcup_{\alpha} S_\alpha\right)$ .

In addition, if the MSP holds, then by [10]:

iv)  $\Lambda(S) = \bar{S}$  for any finite subset  $S$  of  $P$ ,

v)  $p \in \Lambda(\{r, q\})$  implies  $r \in \Lambda(\{p, q\})$  for any distinct states  $p, q, r \in P$ .

Let  $\mathcal{L}(P) = \{S : S \subset P, \Lambda(S) = S\}$ .  $\mathcal{L}(P)$  is a partially ordered set by the set inclusion.

For  $S_\alpha \in \mathcal{L}(P), \alpha \in A$ , let us set

$$\bigwedge_{\alpha \in A} S_\alpha = \Lambda\left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} S_\alpha\right), \text{ and } \bigvee_{\alpha \in A} S_\alpha = \Lambda\left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in A} S_\alpha\right).$$

LEMMA 1. — For  $S_\alpha \in \mathcal{L}(P), \alpha \in A, \bigwedge_{\alpha} S_\alpha = \bigcap_{\alpha} S_\alpha$ .

*Proof.* — By ii),  $\Lambda\left(\bigcap_{\alpha} S_\alpha\right) \subset \bigcap_{\alpha} \Lambda(S_\alpha) = \bigcap_{\alpha} S_\alpha$ . On the other hand,  $\bigcap_{\alpha} S_\alpha \subset \Lambda\left(\bigcap_{\alpha} S_\alpha\right)$ , i. e.  $\bigwedge_{\alpha} S_\alpha = \bigcap_{\alpha} S_\alpha$ .

LEMMA 2. — For  $S_1, S_2 \in \mathcal{L}(P)$ ,

$$S_1 \vee S_2 = \{p \in P : p \in \Lambda\{r, q\}, r \in S_1, q \in S_2\}.$$

*Proof.* — Let us set  $S = \{p \in P : p \in \Lambda\{r, q\}, r \in S_1, q \in S_2\}$ . Clearly,  $S_1 \cup S_2 \subset S$  and  $r \in S_1, q \in S_2$  imply  $\Lambda\{r, q\} \subset \Lambda(S_1 \cup S_2)$ . We see that  $S \subset \Lambda(S_1 \cup S_2) = S_1 \vee S_2$ . We shall complete the proof by showing that  $S = \Lambda(S)$ . Let  $p_1, p_2 \in S$ . Then there are  $r_1, r_2 \in S_1$  and  $q_1, q_2 \in S_2$  such that  $p_1 \in \Lambda\{r_1, q_1\}, p_2 \in \Lambda\{r_2, q_2\}$ . Let  $p \in \Lambda\{p_1, p_2\}$ . Then, clearly,  $p \in \Lambda\{r_1, q_1, r_2, q_2\} = \{r_1, q_1, r_2, q_2\}^-$ . The following cases can occur: i)  $p \in \Lambda\{r_1, r_2\}$ , ii)  $p \in \Lambda\{q_1, q_2\}$ , iii)  $p \in \Lambda\{r_i, q_j\}$  ( $i, j = 1, 2$ ), iv) no of i), ii), iii) comes true.

It is straightforward that in the cases i), ii), iii)  $p \in S$ . Let us consider the case iv). If  $p \in \Lambda\{r_1, q_1, r_2\}$ , then by MSP,  $\Lambda\{r_1, r_2\} \cap \Lambda\{p, q_1\} \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $m \in \Lambda\{r_1, r_2\} \cap \Lambda\{p, q_1\}$ . Then  $m \in S_1, p \in \Lambda\{m, q_1\}, q_1 \in S_2$  imply that  $p \in S$ . Analogical reasoning can be done in all cases in which there is a set  $Q \subset \{r_1, r_2, q_1, q_2\}$  such that  $p \in \Lambda(Q)$ . Now let  $p \in \Lambda\{r_1, r_2, q_1, q_2\}$  be a minimal superposition. Then by MSP, there is

$$m \in \Lambda\{r_1, r_2\} \cap \Lambda\{p, q_1, q_2\}.$$

This implies  $m \in S_1, m \in \Lambda\{p, q_1, q_2\}$ . The following cases can occur: (a)  $m \in \Lambda\{p, q_1\}$  (or, analogically,  $m \in \Lambda\{p, q_2\}$ ), which implies  $p \in \Lambda\{m, q_1\}$  (or  $p \in \Lambda\{m, q_2\}$ ), i. e.  $p \in S$ . b)  $m \in \Lambda\{q_1, q_2\}$ . Then  $q_1 \in \Lambda\{m, q_2\}$ , but  $m \in \Lambda\{r_1, r_2\}$  implies  $q_1 \in \Lambda\{r_1, r_2, q_2\}$ . Hence,  $\Lambda\{r_1, r_2, q_1, q_2\} \subset \Lambda\{r_1, r_2, q_2\}$ , i. e.  $p \in \Lambda\{r_1, r_2, q_2\}$ , which is the preceding case. c)  $m \in \Lambda\{p, q_1, q_2\}$  is a minimal superposition. Then,

by MSP, there is  $n \in \Lambda \{q_1, q_2\} \cap \Lambda \{m, p\}$ .  $n \in \Lambda \{q_1, q_2\}$  implies  $n \in S_2$  and  $n \in \Lambda \{m, p\}$  implies  $p \in \Lambda \{m, n\}$ ,  $m \in S_1$ ,  $n \in S_2$ , hence  $p \in S$ . This completes the proof.

LEMMA 3. — For any  $Q \subset P$ ,  $\Lambda(Q) = \cup \{ \Lambda(T) : T \text{ is a finite subset of } Q \}$ .

*Proof.* — Let us set  $B = \cup \{ \Lambda(T) : T \text{ is a finite subset of } Q \}$ . Clearly,  $Q \subset B \subset \Lambda(Q)$ . We show that  $B$  is closed under superpositions. Indeed, let  $p_1, p_2 \in B$ , then there are  $T_1, T_2 \subset Q$ , finite subsets, such that  $p_1 \in \Lambda(T_1)$  and  $p_2 \in \Lambda(T_2)$ . But then  $p_1, p_2 \in \Lambda(T_1 \cup T_2)$ , hence

$$\Lambda \{ p_1, p_2 \} \subset \Lambda(T_1 \cup T_2) \subset B.$$

From this it follows that  $\Lambda(B) = B$ , hence  $\Lambda(Q) = B$ .

LEMMA 4. — If  $\Phi \subset \mathcal{L}(P)$  is an ordered subset (by inclusion) then the set  $B = \cup \{ T : T \in \Phi \} \in \mathcal{L}(P)$ .

*Proof.* — We have to show that  $\Lambda(B) = B$ . Let  $p_1, p_2 \in B$ , then there are  $T_1, T_2 \in \Phi$  such that  $p_1 \in T_1$ ,  $p_2 \in T_2$ . There holds  $T_1 \subseteq T_2$  or  $T_2 \subseteq T_1$ . Let  $T_1 \subseteq T_2$ , then  $p_1, p_2 \in T_2$  implies that  $\Lambda \{ p_1, p_2 \} \subset T_2$ , hence  $\Lambda \{ p_1, p_2 \} \subset B$ .

THEOREM 1. — The lattice  $\mathcal{L}(P)$  has the following properties:

- i) it is modular,
- ii) it is atomistic and its atoms are the singleton subsets of  $P$ ,
- iii) it has the covering property,
- iv) if  $\omega$  is an atom in  $\mathcal{L}(P)$  and  $A$  is a set of atoms in  $\mathcal{L}(P)$  such that  $\omega \in \Lambda(A)$ , then there exists a finite subset  $\{ \omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_n \} \subset A$  such that  $\omega \in \Lambda \{ \omega_1, \dots, \omega_n \}$ ,
- v) to any  $S \in \mathcal{L}(P)$  there is  $T \in \mathcal{L}(P)$  such that  $S \wedge T = \emptyset$  and  $S \vee T = P$ .

*Proof.* — i) Let  $S_1, S_2, S_3 \in \mathcal{L}(P)$ ,  $S_1 \subseteq S_3$ . Clearly,

$$(S_1 \vee S_2) \wedge S_3 \cong S_1 \vee (S_2 \wedge S_3).$$

Let  $p \in (S_1 \vee S_2) \wedge S_3$ . Then  $p \in S_1 \vee S_2$  implies  $p \in \Lambda \{ q_1, q_2 \}$ ,  $q_1 \in S_1$ ,  $q_2 \in S_2$  (Lemma 2). Then

$$q_1 \in \Lambda \{ p, q_2 \} \subset S_3 \vee S_2, \quad q_2 \in \Lambda \{ p, q_1 \} \subset S_3 \vee S_1.$$

Hence,  $q_1 \in (S_3 \vee S_2) \wedge S_1$ ,  $q_2 \in (S_3 \vee S_1) \wedge S_2$ , so that  $p \in \Lambda \{ q_1, q_2 \}$  implies

$$\begin{aligned} p \in & [(S_3 \vee S_1) \wedge S_2] \vee [(S_3 \vee S_2) \wedge S_1] \\ & = (S_3 \wedge S_2) \vee [(S_3 \vee S_2) \wedge S_1] \subset S_1 \vee (S_2 \wedge S_3). \end{aligned}$$

ii) Evidently, the singleton sets  $\{s\}, s \in P$ , are atoms in  $\mathcal{L}(P)$ . If  $S \in \mathcal{L}(P)$ , then  $S = \bigwedge \{s : s \in S\} = \bigvee_{s \in S} \{s\}$ .

iii) We have to show that for any  $S, Q \in \mathcal{L}(P)$  and  $s \in P (s \notin S)$ ,  $S \subset Q \subset S \vee \{s\}$  implies  $Q = S$  or  $Q = S \vee \{s\}$ . Let  $Q \neq S$ . Then there is  $r \in Q, r \notin S$ . From  $Q \subset S \vee \{s\}$  it follows  $r \in S \vee \{s\}$ , i. e. there is  $p \in S$  such that  $r \in \Lambda \{p, s\}$  (Lemma 2). From this it follows that  $s \in \Lambda \{r, p\} \subset Q$ . Then  $S \subset Q, s \in Q$  imply  $S \vee \{s\} \subset Q$ , i. e.  $S \vee \{s\} = Q$ .

iv) By Lemma 3,  $\Lambda(A) = \cup \{\Lambda(S) : S \text{ finite subset of } A\}$ . Hence, for any  $\omega \in \Lambda(A)$ , there is a finite subset  $S = \{s_1, \dots, s_n\} \subset A$  such that  $\omega \in \Lambda(S)$ .

v) Let  $\Theta$  be the set of all  $W \in \mathcal{L}(P)$  such that  $S \wedge W = \emptyset$ .  $\Theta$  contains  $\emptyset$ , therefore it is non-empty. If  $\Phi$  is any ordered set of elements of  $\Theta$ , let  $J$  be the set-theoretic sum of all elements in  $\Phi$ . By Lemma 4,  $J \in \mathcal{L}(P)$ ; and, clearly  $S \wedge J = \emptyset$ . From this it follows that  $J \in \Theta$ . By Zorn's lemma there is a maximal element  $T \in \Theta$ . Now let us consider the element  $S \vee T$ . Let  $s \in P, s \notin T$ . Then  $T \subset \Lambda(T \cup \{s\})$ , and by the maximality of  $T$ ,  $S \wedge \Lambda(T \cup \{s\}) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $p \in S \wedge (T \cup \{s\})$ . By Lemma 2 then there is  $t \in T$  such that  $p \in \Lambda \{t, s\}$ . Then  $s \in \Lambda \{p, t\}$ , and from  $p \in S$  and  $t \in T$  it follows that  $s \in S \vee T$ , hence  $S \vee T = P$ .

We shall say that the states  $s_1, \dots, s_n \in P$  are independent if  $s_i \notin \Lambda \{s_j : j \neq i\}, i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

If  $s_1, \dots, s_n$  are independent states and  $q$  is a state such that

$$s_1 \in \Lambda \{q, s_2, \dots, s_n\} \text{ then } q \in \Lambda \{s_1, \dots, s_n\}.$$

Indeed, there is a minimal subset

$$I \subset \{2, \dots, n\} \text{ such that } s_1 \in \Lambda \{q, s_i : i \in I\}.$$

From the MSP we obtain

$$\{q\} \wedge \Lambda \{s_1, s_i : i \in I\} \neq \emptyset,$$

hence

$$q \in \Lambda \{s_1, s_i : i \in I\} \subset \Lambda \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\}.$$

By permutation of the index set  $1, 2, \dots, n$  we obtain that  $s_i \in \Lambda \{q, s_j : j \neq i\}$  implies  $q \in \Lambda \{s_1, \dots, s_n\}$ .

We say that a finite set of states  $\{s_1, \dots, s_n\}$  is a basis for  $S \in \mathcal{L}(P)$  if  $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n$  are independent and  $S = \Lambda \{s_1, \dots, s_n\}$ . It can be shown by the same method as in [6] that if  $\{s_1, \dots, s_n\}$  and  $\{p_1, \dots, p_k\}$  are bases for  $S$  then  $n = k$ . If  $S \in \mathcal{L}(P)$  has a basis  $\{s_1, \dots, s_n\}$  then  $n$  is called the dimension of  $S$  and is denoted by  $d(S) = n$ . If  $S$  has a basis, we say that  $S$  is finite dimensional. Recall that a dimension function on a lattice  $K$  is a real valued function on  $K$  with the properties:

- i)  $d(\emptyset) = 0, d(a) \geq 0$  for all  $a \in K$ ,
- ii) if  $a \leq b$  and  $a \neq b$ , then  $d(a) < d(b)$ ,

iii)  $d(a \vee b) + d(a \wedge b) = d(a) + d(b)$  for all  $a, b \in K$ .

The following proposition can be proved analogically as Theorem 3.10 in [6].

**PROPOSITION 1.** — Let  $S \in \mathcal{L}(P)$  be finite dimensional. Then  $d$  is a dimension function on  $[\emptyset, S] = \{T \in \mathcal{L}(P) : T \subseteq S\}$ .

**PROPOSITION 2.** — Let  $S \in \mathcal{L}(P)$  be finite dimensional. Then  $[\emptyset, S]$  is a complemented modular lattice.

*Proof.* — It follows from Theorem 1.

We can define in the set  $\mathcal{L}(P)$ , as in a projective geometry, the notions of lines and planes. An element  $S \in \mathcal{L}(P)$  is a line if  $d(S) = 2$ , and it is a plane if  $d(S) = 3$ . If  $s_1, s_2 \in P$  are distinct states, then  $d(\Lambda \{s_1, s_2\}) = 2$  and hence  $\Lambda \{s_1, s_2\}$  is a line. If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are distinct lines and  $S_1 \wedge S_2 \neq \emptyset$  then  $d(S_1 \wedge S_2) = 1$ . In this case the identity

$$d(S_1 \vee S_2) = d(S_1) + d(S_2) - d(S_1 \wedge S_2)$$

shows that  $S_1 \vee S_2$  is a plane. This yields a new formulation of the SP: the superposition principle holds if and only if every line in  $\mathcal{L}(P)$  has at least three distinct points lying on it. In this case  $[\emptyset, S]$  is a geometry for any finite  $S \in \mathcal{L}(P)$  [12, Th. 2.15, p. 30].

**THEOREM 2.** — Let  $(L, P)$  be a quantum logic such that the superposition principle (SP) and the minimal superposition principle (MSP) hold and let there exist at least four independent states in  $P$ . Then there exist a division ring  $K$  and a vector space  $V$  over  $K$ , such that the set  $\mathcal{L}(P)$  is isomorphic to the lattice  $\mathcal{L}(V)$  of all linear subspaces of  $V$  (in the sense that there exists a bijection between  $\mathcal{L}(P)$  and  $\mathcal{L}(V)$  that preserves their order structure).  $\mathcal{L}(V)$  is the set of all linear subspaces of  $V$  ordered under set-theoretical inclusion and meet and join operations are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \vee M_i &= \Sigma M_i, & M_i &\in \mathcal{L}(V), & i &= 1, 2, \dots \\ \wedge M_i &= \cap M_i, & M_i &\in \mathcal{L}(V), & i &= 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* — Proof of this theorem follows from Theorem 1 and Theorem in [1, Ch. VII, § 6, p. 375].

In [10], there is shown that the set  $P$  can be written as the union of sectors if and only if  $\Lambda \{p, q, r\} \neq \Lambda \{p, q\} \cup \Lambda \{q, r\}$  for any distinct states  $p, q, r \in P$  such that  $p \approx q, q \approx r, r \notin \Lambda \{p, q\}$ , where  $p \approx q$  means that there is a state  $u \in P, u \neq p, q$  such that  $u \in \Lambda \{p, q\}$ . Now we shall show that this condition is always fulfilled.

**THEOREM 3.** — Let  $(L, P)$  be a quantum logic such that the MSP holds. Let  $p, q, r$  be distinct states in  $P$  such that  $p \approx q, q \approx r$  and  $r \notin \Lambda \{p, q\}$ .

Then  $\Lambda \{p, q, r\} \neq \Lambda \{p, q\} \cup \Lambda \{q, r\}$ , so that  $P$  can be written as the union of sectors.

*Proof.* — From  $p \approx q$  and  $q \approx r$  it follows that there are  $s_1 \in \Lambda \{p, q\}$ ,  $s_1 \neq p, q$  and  $s_2 \in \Lambda \{q, r\}$ ,  $s_2 \neq q, r$ . As

$$\Lambda \{s_1, s_2\} \vee \Lambda \{p, r\} \subset \Lambda \{p, q, r\} \quad , \quad d(\Lambda \{s_1, s_2\} \vee \Lambda \{p, r\}) \leq 3.$$

The relation  $d(a \wedge b) = d(a) + d(b) - d(a \vee b)$  then implies that  $d(\Lambda \{s_1, s_2\} \wedge \Lambda \{p, r\}) \geq 1$ . But if  $\Lambda \{s_1, s_2\} = \Lambda \{p, r\}$ , then  $s_1 \in \Lambda \{p, r\} \wedge \Lambda \{p, q\}$  implies  $s_1 = p$ , a contradiction. Hence,  $d(\Lambda \{s_1, s_2\} \wedge \Lambda \{p, r\}) = 1$ . Let  $\Lambda \{s_1, s_2\} \wedge \Lambda \{p, r\} = \{t\}$ . We shall show that  $t \notin \Lambda \{p, q\}$ ,  $t \notin \Lambda \{q, r\}$ . Indeed, if  $t \in \Lambda \{p, q\}$ , then  $q \in \Lambda \{t, p\}$ , but  $t \in \Lambda \{p, r\}$  implies  $q \in \Lambda \{p, r\}$ , a contradiction. Analogically we show that  $t \notin \Lambda \{q, r\}$ . Hence, we found  $t \in \Lambda \{p, q, r\}$ ,  $t \notin \Lambda \{p, q\}$ ,  $t \notin \Lambda \{q, r\}$ .

We shall call the elements of  $\mathcal{L}(P)$  the subspaces of  $P$ .

### 3. CLOSED SUBSPACES OF P

Let us set  $\mathcal{F}(P) = \{S \subset P : S = \bar{S}\}$ . Clearly,  $\Lambda(\bar{S}) = \bar{S}$ , so that  $\mathcal{F}(P) \subset \mathcal{L}(P)$ . The map  $S \mapsto \bar{S}$  is a closure operation in the sense of Birkhoff [3], so that the set  $\mathcal{F}(P)$  becomes a complete lattice whose join and meet operations are given by

$$\bigvee_j S_j = \left( \bigcup_j S_j \right)^- \quad \text{and} \quad \bigwedge_j S_j = \bigcap_j S_j \quad [5].$$

The proposition  $a \in L$  is said to be a carrier of a state  $m$ , if

- i)  $m(a) = 1$ ,
- ii)  $b \not\leq a$  implies  $m(b) > 0$ .

Notice that the carrier of a state  $m \in P$ , whenever it exists, is uniquely determined by  $m$ , since it is the smallest element of the set  $L_m$ . The carrier of  $m$ , if it exists, will be denoted by  $\text{carr } m$ .

In the following we shall suppose that each state  $p \in P$  has the carrier.

LEMMA 5. — If  $\text{carr } p$  is the carrier of the state  $p \in P$ , then  $q(\text{carr } p) < 1$  for every pure state  $q \neq p$ ,  $q \in P$ .

*Proof.* — Suppose  $q(\text{carr } p) = 1$  for some  $q \neq p$ . Then  $p(a) = 1$  implies  $q(a) = 1$ ,  $a \in L$ , so that  $L_p \subset L_q$ . But then  $q = p$ , a contradiction.

PROPOSITION 3. — i) The logic  $L$  is atomistic and the correspondence  $\text{carr} : p \mapsto \text{carr } p$ ,  $p \in P$ , is a one-to-one mapping of the set  $P$  onto the set of all atoms of the logic  $L$ .

ii) For every non-zero proposition  $a \in L$  one has  $a = \bigvee \{ \text{carr } p : p \in P_a \}$ .



*Proof.* — See [7].

We shall say that two states  $m_1, m_2$  are mutually orthogonal and write  $m_1 \perp m_2$  if for some proposition  $a \in L$  one has  $m_1(a) = 1$  and  $m_2(a) = 0$  [5]. For any  $S \subset P$ , define  $S^\perp$  to be the set of all pure states  $p \in P$  such that  $p \perp S$  (i. e.  $p \perp q$  for all  $q \in S$ ). Obviously  $S \subset S^{\perp\perp}$ . For the empty set  $\emptyset$  we put  $\emptyset^\perp = P$ .

PROPOSITION 4. — For every non-empty subset  $T \subset P$  one has  $T^{\perp\perp} = \bar{T}$ .  
*Proof.* — See [7].

It can be easily seen that the map  $\perp : T \mapsto T^\perp$  is an orthocomplementation in the set  $\mathcal{F}(P)$  of all closed subspaces of  $P$ .

THEOREM 4. — For every  $a \in L$ , the set  $P_a = \{s \in P : s(a) = 1\}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{F}(P)$  and the mapping  $a \mapsto P_a$  is an orthoinjection of the logic  $L$  into the set  $\mathcal{F}(P)$ .

*Proof.* — See [7].

THEOREM 5. — Let  $(L, P)$  be a quantum logic such that SP and MSP hold, and let there be at least four independent states in  $P$ . In addition, let each state  $p \in P$  have the carrier  $\text{carr } p \in L$ . Then there exist a division ring  $K$ , an involutorial antiautomorphism  $*$  :  $\lambda \rightarrow \lambda^*$  of  $K$ , a vector space  $V$  over  $K$  and a Hermitian form  $f$ , such that  $\mathcal{F}(P)$  and  $\mathcal{L}_f(V)$  are isomorphic (i. e. there exist, between them, a bijection which preserves order and orthocomplementation), where  $\mathcal{L}_f(V)$  is the set of all subspaces of  $V$ , closed with respect to the form  $f$ .

*Proof.* — By Theorem 2 there exist a division ring  $K$  and a vector space  $V$  over  $K$ , such that the set  $\mathcal{L}(P)$  of all subspaces of  $P$  is isomorphic to the lattice  $\mathcal{L}(V)$  of all linear subspaces of  $V$ . If the set  $\mathcal{L}(P)$  is finite dimensional, then  $V$  is finite dimensional. In this case  $\mathcal{L}(P) = \mathcal{F}(P)$ . Since  $\mathcal{F}(P)$  is orthocomplemented,  $\mathcal{L}(V)$  has an orthocomplementation induced by the one of  $\mathcal{F}(P)$ ; then Theorem of Birkhoff and von Neumann [12] ensures the existence of a pair  $(*, f)$ , such that

$$M^\perp = M^0 = \{v \in V : f(v, w) = 0, \text{ for all } w \in M\}, \quad M \in \mathcal{L}(V).$$

Every subspace of  $V$  is closed with respect to the form  $f$ , and  $\mathcal{L}(P)$  and  $\mathcal{L}_f(V)$  coincide, so that the isomorphism between  $\mathcal{L}(P)$  and  $\mathcal{L}(V)$  preserves orthocomplementation.

Consider now the case of infinite dimension. We give a sketch of the proof, as in [2]. For the details see [8]. Let us denote by  $\omega$  the isomorphism between  $\mathcal{L}(P)$  and  $\mathcal{L}(V)$ . For every finite dimensional subspace  $M$  of  $V$  there exists a finite  $T \in \mathcal{L}(P)$ , such that  $\omega(T) = M$ .  $\omega$  is an isomorphism between

$[\emptyset, T] = \{ S \in \mathcal{L}(P) : S \subset T \}$  and  $\mathcal{L}(M)$ , the mapping  $S \mapsto S^\perp \wedge T$  is an orthocomplementation of  $[\emptyset, T]$ , hence  $\mathcal{L}(M)$  has an orthocomplementation induced by the one of  $[\emptyset, T]$ .

Let  $M_0$  be a fixed 4-dimensional subspace of  $V$ . Since  $\mathcal{L}(M_0)$  is orthocomplemented, there exist, by the theorem of Birkhoff and von Neumann, an involutorial antiautomorphism  $\lambda \mapsto \lambda^*$  and a Hermitian form  $f_0$  on  $M_0$ , such that for  $\omega(S) \in \mathcal{L}(M_0)$ ,

$$\omega(S)^\perp \wedge M_0 = \{ w \in M_0 : f_0(v, w) = 0 \text{ for all } v \in \omega(S) \}.$$

For every finite dimensional subspace  $M$  of  $V$  containing  $M_0$ , there exists a pair  $(\bar{*}, f_M)$  such that, for all  $\omega(S) \in \mathcal{L}(M)$ ,

$$\omega(S)^\perp \wedge M = \{ w \in M : f_M(v, w) = 0 \text{ for all } v \in \omega(S) \}.$$

Owing to the unicity of the pair  $(\bar{*}, f_0)$  in  $M_0$ , there exists a  $\gamma \in K$  such that  $\lambda^{\bar{*}} = \gamma^{-1} \lambda^* \gamma$  and  $f_M(v, w) = f_0(v, w) \gamma$  for every  $v, w \in M_0$ . Then, substituting  $(\bar{*}, f_M)$  by  $(*, f_M \gamma^{-1})$ , we get a unique Hermitian form  $f_M$  (with respect to  $*$ ) which induces the orthocomplementation of  $\mathcal{L}(M)$  and  $f_M = f_0$  on  $M_0$ . If  $M_0 \subset M_1 \subset M_2$ , then  $f_{M_1} = f_{M_2}$  on  $M_1$ .

For every pair  $v, w \in V$  define

$$f(v, w) = f_{M_0 + Kv + Kw}(v, w).$$

It can be shown that the function  $f$  so defined is a Hermitian form on  $V$ , that the image of the mapping  $\omega$  is just  $\mathcal{L}_f(V)$  and that  $\omega$  preserves order and orthocomplementation between  $\mathcal{F}(P)$  and  $\mathcal{L}_f(V)$ .

**COROLLARY.** — There exists an orthoinjection of the logic  $L$  into the set  $\mathcal{L}_f(V)$ .

*Proof.* — By theorem 4, the mapping  $j : a \mapsto P_a$  is an orthoinjection of  $L$  into the set  $\mathcal{F}(P)$ . Then, by Theorem 5, the mapping  $\omega \circ j$  is an orthoinjection of  $L$  into  $\mathcal{L}_f(V)$ .

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