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## REPRESENTATION AND DUALITY OF MULTIPLICATION OPERATORS ON ARCHIMEDEAN RIESZ SPACES

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### 1. Introduction and definitions

We shall be concerned with three classes of linear operators on Archimedean Riesz spaces. A positive linear operator  $T$  on the Riesz space  $E$  is a *positive orthomorphism* if whenever  $x, y \in E$  and  $x \wedge y = 0$  then  $x \wedge Ty = 0$ . An *orthomorphism* is the difference of two positive orthomorphisms.  $P(E)$  will denote the vector space of all orthomorphisms on  $E$ , and  $P(E)_+$  the cone of positive orthomorphisms.

The *stabiliser* of  $E$  is the vector space of all linear operators on  $E$  which leave every ideal invariant. We denote this space by  $S(E)$ , and its positive cone by  $S(E)_+$ . A linear operator  $T$  on  $E$  lies in  $S(E)$  if and only if for each  $x \in E_+$  there is a non-negative real number  $\lambda_x$  such that  $-\lambda_x x \leq Tx \leq \lambda_x x$ .  $Z(E)$  is the subspace of  $S(E)$  consisting of those  $T$  for which there is a non-negative real  $\lambda$  with  $-\lambda x \leq Tx \leq \lambda x$  for all  $x \in E_+$ .  $Z(E)$  is the *ideal centre* of  $E$ .

$Z(E)$  appears to have been introduced, for Archimedean ordered vector spaces, by Buck [4] and has received quite a lot of attention recently, especially for ordered topological vector spaces.  $P(E)$  was studied, for Archimedean lattice groups, in [3] and [5], where it was shown that if  $E$  is represented by Bernau's representation [1] then the elements of  $P(E)$  may be described by pointwise multiplication by an extended real valued continuous function. The proofs given there do not lend themselves to application to other representations. In section 3 we shall have need of representing elements of  $P(E)$  in this way for other representations of  $E$ , where now  $E$  is an Archimedean Riesz space. Most of section 2 is devoted to proving that this can be done. Zaanen [9] has already dealt with a number of special cases.

$S(E) \cap P(E)$  and  $Z(E) \cap P(E)$  were studied briefly in [3]. We shall see below that in fact  $S(E) \subset P(E)$ . This is not completely obvious as we did not specify that elements of  $S(E)$  were differences of positive elements of  $S(E)$ . It appears to be an open question whether every linear operator  $T$  on  $E$  such that  $|x| \wedge |Ty| = 0$  whenever  $x, y \in E$  with  $|x| \wedge |y| = 0$  must lie in  $P(E)$ .

If  $E$  and  $F$  are Riesz spaces we denote by  $L^{\sim}(E, F)$  the vector space of all differences of positive linear operators from  $E$  into  $F$ . In particular we write  $L^{\sim}(E)$  for  $L^{\sim}(E, E)$  and  $E^{\sim}$  for  $L^{\sim}(E, \mathbb{R})$ .  $E^{\times}$  will denote the space of *normal integrals* on  $E$ , i.e. those  $f \in E^{\sim}$  such that  $f(x_{\gamma}) \rightarrow 0$  whenever  $(x_{\gamma})$  is a net in  $E$  directed downward to 0.

If  $T \in L^{\sim}(E)$  the formula

$$(T^{\sim}f)(x) = f(Tx) \quad (x \in E, f \in E^{\sim})$$

defines  $T^{\sim} \in L^{\sim}(E^{\sim})$ . Section 3 is devoted to a study of the duality theory for elements of  $P(E)$ ,  $S(E)$  and  $Z(E)$ . In order to obtain a satisfactory theory it is necessary to assume that  $E^{\sim}$  separates the points of  $E$ , and hence that  $E$  is Archimedean. The situation for  $P(E)$  and  $Z(E)$  is quite straightforward, but that for  $S(E)$  is rather more complicated. The final section contains some examples.

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## 2. Representations

If  $S$  is a topological space  $C^{\infty}(S)$  will denote the set of all continuous extended real valued functions on  $S$  which are finite on a dense subset of  $S$ . If  $f, g \in C^{\infty}(S)$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  then  $\lambda f: s \mapsto \lambda \cdot f(s)$  and  $f \vee g: s \mapsto f(s) \vee g(s)$  lie in  $C^{\infty}(S)$ . There may or may not be  $h \in C^{\infty}(S)$  with  $h(s) = f(s) + g(s)$  whenever the sum is defined (we shall say that sums of the form  $\infty + (-\infty)$  and products of the form  $0 \cdot (\pm\infty)$  are not defined). If such an  $h$  does exist we denote it by  $f + g$ .

If  $E$  is an Archimedean Riesz space and  $S$  a topological space the map  $x \mapsto x^{\wedge}: E \rightarrow C^{\infty}(S)$  is a *representation* of  $E$  if

- (1)  $E^{\wedge} = \{x^{\wedge}: x \in E\}$  is a vector space and a sublattice of  $C^{\infty}(S)$ .
- (2)  $x \mapsto x^{\wedge}$  is a Riesz space isomorphism of  $E$  onto  $E^{\wedge}$ .

The representation is *admissible* if

- (3) For each  $s \in S$  there is  $x \in E$  with  $0 < x^{\wedge}(s) < \infty$ .

There are always many representations of an Archimedean Riesz space. One of the most useful is that of Bernau [1] which is admissible. We shall make use of a representation for the pair  $(E, E^\sim)$  in the case that  $E^\sim$  separates the points of  $E$ . By an *admissible functional representation* for such a pair we mean a pair of admissible representations of  $E$  and  $E^\sim$  in the same  $C^\infty(S)$  (where  $S$  is extremally disconnected, locally compact and Hausdorff), such that  $E^\sim$  is an ideal in  $C^\infty(S)$  containing the characteristic functions of compact open sets, and which are related as follows. There is a Radon measure  $\mu$  on  $S$ , for which nowhere dense sets are locally  $\mu$ -negligible, such

$$f(x) = \int_S f \wedge x \wedge d\mu \quad (x \in E, f \in E^\sim).$$

The existence of such a representation is vital to the proofs in section 3. This will be deduced from the results of Fremlin in [8].

Recall that a topological space is *extremally disconnected* if the closure of every open set is open. A compact Hausdorff space which is extremally disconnected is called *Stonian*. A measure  $\mu$  on the Stonian space  $S$  is *normal* if the linear functional  $f \mapsto \int f d\mu$  lies in  $C(S)^\times$ . Equivalently, if  $\mu$  is positive,  $\mu$  vanishes on all the nowhere dense Borel subsets of  $S$ . The Stonian space  $S$  is *Hyperstonian* if  $C(S)^\times$  separates the points of  $C(S)$ .

**LEMMA 2.1:** *If  $(X, \mu)$  is a positive finite measure algebra then there is a Hyperstonian space  $S$  and a strictly positive normal Radon measure  $\nu$  on  $S$  such that  $L^1(\mu)$  and  $L^1(\nu)$  are linearly order isomorphic.*

$L^1(\mu)$  is a Banach lattice for its usual norm and order and its Banach dual is isometrically order isomorphic to  $L^\infty(\mu)$ . By [6] there is a Hyperstonian space  $S$  such that  $L^\infty(\mu)$  is isometrically order isomorphic to  $C(S)$  and  $L^1(\mu)$  to  $C(S)^\times$ . The linear functional  $f \mapsto \int f d\mu$  on  $L^\infty(\mu)$  is strictly positive and lies in  $L^\infty(\mu)^\times$ . If  $\nu$  is the measure defining the corresponding element of  $C(S)^\times$  then  $\nu$  is strictly positive. An application of the Radon–Nikodym theorem now allows us to identify  $C(S)^\times$  with  $L^1(\nu)$ , completing the proof.

The following lemma is essentially proved in [6].

**LEMMA 2.2:** *Let  $S$  be a Hyperstonian space and  $\nu$  a strictly positive normal Radon measure on  $S$ . Every real valued measurable function*

on  $S$  coincides, except on a set of  $\nu$ -measure 0, with a unique member of  $C^\infty(S)$ .

If  $S$  is a locally compact Hausdorff space and  $\mu$  a Radon measure on  $S$  then  $\mathcal{M}(S, \mu)$  will denote the space of equivalence classes, under the relation of local  $\mu$ -almost everywhere equality, of locally  $\mu$ -integrable real valued functions on  $S$ .

**THEOREM 2.3:** *If  $E$  is a Riesz space and  $E^\sim$  separates the points of  $E$  then there is an admissible functional representation of the pair  $(E, E^\sim)$ .*

If  $x \in E$  then the functional  $f \mapsto f(x)$  on  $E^\sim$  lies in  $E^{\sim \times}$ . Thus  $E^{\sim \times}$  separates the points of  $E^\sim$  and  $E^\sim$  is, in the terminology of [8], a preK space. By using Lemma 2.1 in place of Lemma 5 of [8] we can modify the proof of Theorem 6 of [8] to obtain a Riesz space isomorphism  $f \mapsto f^\wedge$  of  $E^\sim$  onto an ideal  $E^{\sim \wedge}$  in  $\mathcal{M}(S, \mu)$  which contains the characteristic function of every compact set, where  $S$  is a disjoint union of Hyperstonian spaces  $X_i$  and  $\mu$  a strictly positive Radon measure on  $S$  the restriction of which to each  $X_i$  is normal. It is clear that  $S$  is locally compact and extremally disconnected and that nowhere dense subsets of  $S$  are locally  $\mu$ -negligible.

By Theorem 7 of [8] there is a Riesz space isomorphism  $X \mapsto X^\wedge$  of  $(E^{\sim \wedge})^\times$  into  $\mathcal{M}(S, \mu)$  such that

$$X(f^\wedge) = \int_S f^\wedge X^\wedge d\mu \quad (f^\wedge \in E^{\sim \wedge}).$$

If we combine the natural embedding of  $E$  into  $E^{\sim \times}$ , the identification of  $E^{\sim \times}$  with  $(E^{\sim \wedge})^\times$  and this map (all of which are lattice isomorphisms) we obtain a map  $x \mapsto x^\wedge$  taking  $E$  into a sublattice  $E^\wedge$  of  $\mathcal{M}(S, \mu)$  such that

$$f(x) = \int_S f^\wedge x^\wedge d\mu \quad (x \in E, f \in E^\sim).$$

Lemma 2.2 enables us to choose the unique continuous representative from each equivalence class in  $\mathcal{M}(S, \mu)$  so that our elements  $x^\wedge$  and  $f^\wedge$  may be assumed to lie in  $C^\infty(S)$ .

Finally, to ensure that  $E^\wedge$  is admissible replace  $S$  by its open subset  $S_0 = \{s \in S : \exists x \in E \text{ with } 0 < x^\wedge(s) < \infty\}$ , which is extremally disconnected, and replace each  $x^\wedge$  and  $f^\wedge$  by their restrictions to  $S_0$ . The

representations are still isomorphisms for given  $x \in E$  and  $f \in E^-$ ,  $S \setminus S_0 \in x^{\wedge^{-1}}(0) \cup x^{\wedge^{-1}}(\infty) \cup x^{\wedge^{-1}}(-\infty)$ . The final two sets in this union are nowhere dense and thus locally  $\mu$ -negligible so that  $\int_{S \setminus S_0} f^{\wedge} x^{\wedge} d\mu = 0$ .

The main result of this section is Theorem 2.5. For some representations this result is known (see [3], [5] and [9]). We shall need to know the following lemma.

**LEMMA 2.4:** *Let  $E$  be an Archimedean Riesz space,  $S$  a topological space and  $x \rightarrow x^{\wedge}$  be an admissible representation of  $E$  in  $C^{\infty}(S)$ . Let  $T \in P(E)_+$  and set  $S_0 = \{s \in S : \exists y \in E_+ \text{ with } 0 < y^{\wedge}(s) < \infty \text{ and } (Ty)^{\wedge}(s) < \infty\}$ . If  $x \in E$ ,  $s \in S_0$  and  $x^{\wedge}(s) = 0$  then  $(Tx)^{\wedge}(s) = 0$ .*

We may, by considering  $x^+$  and  $x^-$  separately, assume  $x \in E_+$ . Let  $y \in E_+$  with  $0 < y^{\wedge}(s) < \infty$  and  $(Ty)^{\wedge}(s) < \infty$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and set

$$x_{\epsilon} = x - (x \wedge \epsilon y), y_{\epsilon} = \epsilon y - (x \wedge \epsilon y)$$

so that  $x_{\epsilon}, y_{\epsilon} \in E$ ,  $(x_{\epsilon})^{\wedge}(s) = x^{\wedge}(s) = 0$  and  $0 < (y_{\epsilon})^{\wedge}(s) = \epsilon y^{\wedge}(s) < \infty$ . As  $x_{\epsilon} \wedge y_{\epsilon} = 0$ ,  $Tx_{\epsilon} \wedge y_{\epsilon} = 0$  so that  $(Tx_{\epsilon})^{\wedge}(s) = 0$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq (Tx)^{\wedge}(s) &= (Tx_{\epsilon})^{\wedge}(s) + (T(x \wedge \epsilon y))^{\wedge}(s) \\ &= (T(x \wedge \epsilon y))^{\wedge}(s) \\ &\leq \epsilon (Ty)^{\wedge}(s). \end{aligned}$$

This holds for all  $\epsilon > 0$  so  $(Tx)^{\wedge}(s) = 0$ .

**THEOREM 2.5:** *Let  $E$  be an Archimedean Riesz space,  $S$  a topological space and  $x \rightarrow x^{\wedge}$  be an admissible representation of  $E$  in  $C^{\infty}(S)$ . If  $T \in P(E)$  there is  $q \in C^{\infty}(S)$  such that for each  $x \in E$*

$$(Tx)^{\wedge}(s) = q(s)x^{\wedge}(s)$$

for all  $s \in S$  for which the product is defined.

We first suppose  $T \in P(E)_+$  and let  $S_0$  be the corresponding subset of  $S$  defined as in Lemma 2.4. If  $s \in S_0$  choose  $y \in E_+$  with  $0 < y^{\wedge}(s) < \infty$  and  $(Ty)^{\wedge}(s) < \infty$ . Let  $q(s) = (Ty)^{\wedge}(s)/y^{\wedge}(s)$ . If  $x \in E$  with  $|x^{\wedge}(s)| < \infty$  then  $x_1 = x - (x^{\wedge}(s)/y^{\wedge}(s))y$  satisfies  $x_1^{\wedge}(s) = 0$ . By the preceding lemma  $(Tx_1)^{\wedge}(s) = 0$ , so that

$$(Tx)^{\wedge}(s) = (x^{\wedge}(s)/y^{\wedge}(s))(Ty)^{\wedge}(s) = q(s)x^{\wedge}(s).$$

In particular if  $0 < x^\wedge(s) < \infty$  then

$$\frac{(Tx)^\wedge(s)}{x^\wedge(s)} = q(s) = \frac{(Ty)^\wedge(s)}{y^\wedge(s)}$$

so that the definition of  $q(s)$  does not depend on the choice of  $y$ . Clearly the function  $q$  on  $S_0$  is finite valued and continuous.

$S_0$  is an open subset of  $S$  which is dense in  $S$ . The latter is because if  $s \in S$  and  $U$  is any neighbourhood of  $s$  in  $S$  we can choose  $y \in E_+$  with  $0 < y^\wedge(s) < \infty$ . If  $(Ty)^\wedge(s) = \infty$  we can find  $s_1 \in U$  with  $0 < y^\wedge(s_1) < \infty$  (using the continuity of  $y^\wedge$ ) and  $(Ty)^\wedge(s_1) < \infty$  (as  $(Ty)^\wedge$  is finite on a dense subset of  $S$ ).

If we define  $q$  for  $s_0 \in S \setminus S_0$  by  $q(s_0) = \infty$  then  $q$  is continuous at  $s_0$ . For if we choose  $y \in E_+$  with  $0 < y^\wedge(s) < \infty$  we must have  $(Ty)^\wedge(s) = \infty$ . If  $A$  is a positive real we can find a neighbourhood  $V$  of  $s_0$  on which  $y^\wedge(s) < y^\wedge(s_0) + 1$  and  $(Ty)^\wedge(s) > A/(y^\wedge(s_0) + 1)$ . Hence for  $s \in S_0 \cap V$ ,  $q(s) > A$ . As  $S_0$  is open it follows that  $q$  is continuous on  $S$ , and that  $q \in C^\infty(S)$  follows from the density of  $S_0$ .

It follows by continuity that, for each  $x \in E$ ,  $(Tx)^\wedge(s) = q(s)x^\wedge(s)$  holds for all  $s \in S$  for which the product is defined.

Finally let  $T = T_1 - T_2$  with  $T_1, T_2 \in P(E)_+$  and let  $q_1, q_2 \in C^\infty(S)$  be the corresponding functions. If  $s \in S$ ,  $x \in E$ , if at least one of  $q_1(s)$  and  $q_2(s)$  is finite and if the product is defined then  $(Tx)^\wedge(s) = (q_1(s) - q_2(s))x^\wedge(s)$ . If  $s_0 \in S$  and  $q_1(s_0) = q_2(s_0) = \infty$  choose  $y \in E_+$  with  $0 < y^\wedge(s_0) < \infty$ . In any neighbourhood of  $s_0$  there is an  $s$  with  $q_1(s) - q_2(s)$  defined and equal to  $(Ty)^\wedge(s)/y^\wedge(s)$ . As  $(Ty)^\wedge/y^\wedge$  is continuous at  $s_0$  we can define  $q_1(s_0) - q_2(s_0)$  in such a way as to make the function  $q = q_1 - q_2$  continuous at  $s_0$ . Clearly  $q \in C^\infty(S)$  and  $(Tx)^\wedge(s) = q(s)x^\wedge(s)$  wherever the product is defined.

**REMARK 1:** The assumption that the representation be admissible, whilst it possibly may be weakened, cannot in general be omitted. For example, if  $E = \{f \in C([0, 1]) : f(0) = 0\}$  then each bounded continuous function on  $(0, 1]$  defines an orthomorphism of  $E$ , but need not have a continuous extension to  $[0, 1]$ .

**REMARK 2:** If we are given any representation  $x \rightarrow x^\wedge : E \rightarrow C^\infty(S)$  then  $x \rightarrow x^\wedge|_T : E \rightarrow C^\infty(T)$ , where  $T = \{s \in S : \exists x \in E_+ \text{ with } 0 < x^\wedge(s) < \infty\}$ , is an admissible representation of  $E$ .

**REMARK 3:** If  $S$  is an extremally disconnected compact Hausdorff space the conclusion of the theorem holds for any representation

$x \rightarrow x^\wedge: E \rightarrow C^\infty(S)$ . To see this, use the theorem to find  $q$ , defined on the open subset  $T$  of  $S$  (defined as in Remark 2), with the desired properties. Any extension  $\bar{q}$  of  $q$  to an element of  $C^\infty(S)$  will have the desired property.

**REMARK 4:** Similar results may be proved for representations as equivalence classes of functions measurable with respect to a Radon measure  $\mu$ , by identifying these classes with  $C^\infty(S)$  for a suitable extremally disconnected compact Hausdorff space  $S$  in a well known manner.

**REMARK 5:** Suppose that  $x \mapsto x^\wedge: E \rightarrow C^\infty(S)$  is an admissible representation of  $E$  and that  $q \in C^\infty(S)$  has the property that for all  $x \in E$  there is  $y_x \in E$  with  $y_x^\wedge(s) = q(s)x^\wedge(s)$  wherever the product is defined. The map  $x \mapsto y_x$  is well-defined and linear, and clearly if  $x \wedge x' = 0$  then  $y_x \wedge y_{x'} = 0$ .  $x \mapsto y_x$  lies in  $P(E)$  as these remarks also apply to  $q^+$  and  $q^-$  as, e.g.

$$q^+(s)x^\wedge(s) = [q(s)x^\wedge(s)]^+ - [q(s)x^\wedge(s)]^-$$

wherever all the products are defined.

**REMARK 6:** If  $x \mapsto x^\wedge: E \rightarrow C^\infty(S)$  is an admissible representation and  $T \in P(E)$ , we shall denote the  $q$  of Theorem 2.5 by  $T^\wedge$ . It is clear that  $T \in S(E)$  if and only if  $T^\wedge$  is bounded on the support of  $x^\wedge$  for each  $x \in E$ , and that  $T \in Z(E)$  if and only if  $T^\wedge$  is bounded.

The final result we need in this section is:

**PROPOSITION 2.6:** *For every Archimedean Riesz space  $E$ ,  $S(E) \subset P(E)$ .*

Let  $x \mapsto x^\wedge$  be an admissible representation of  $E$  in some  $C^\infty(S)$ , which always exists. If  $s \in S$  the set  $\{x \in E: x^\wedge(s) = 0\}$  is an ideal in  $E$ . Thus if  $T \in S(E)$  and  $x^\wedge(s) = 0$  we have  $(Tx)^\wedge(s) = 0$ . A simplified version of the proof of Theorem 2.5 now yields  $q \in C^\infty(S)$  with

$$(Tx)^\wedge(s) = q(s)x^\wedge(s) \quad (x \in E)$$

for all  $s \in S$  for which the product is defined. The result now follows from Remark 5.

In general the spaces  $P(E)$ ,  $S(E)$  and  $Z(E)$  are all distinct (see section 4).

### 3. Duality

For the whole of this section  $E$  will denote a Riesz space whose order dual,  $E^\sim$ , separates its points, so that in particular  $E$  is Archimedean. We consider an element of  $L^\sim(E)$  and ask when it, or one of its adjoints, lies in one of the spaces we have been considering. Our first result is very easily proved.

**PROPOSITION 3.1:** *If  $T \in L^\sim(E)$  then  $T \in Z(E)$  if and only if  $T^\sim \in Z(E^\sim)$ .*

$$\begin{aligned} T \in Z(E) &\Leftrightarrow \exists \lambda \geq 0 \text{ with } -\lambda x \leq Tx \leq \lambda x \quad (x \in E_+) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists \lambda \geq 0 \text{ with } -\lambda f(x) \leq f(Tx) = (T^\sim f)(x) \leq \lambda f(x) \\ &\quad \text{for all } x \in E_+ \text{ and } f \in E_+^\sim \\ &\Leftrightarrow \exists \lambda \geq 0 \text{ with } -\lambda f \leq T^\sim f \leq \lambda f \quad (f \in E_+^\sim) \\ &\Leftrightarrow T^\sim \in Z(E^\sim). \end{aligned}$$

Before proving the next result we need a lemma.

**LEMMA 3.2:** *Let  $(E, E^\sim)$  have an admissible functional representation in  $C^\infty(S)$  and let  $\mu$  be the corresponding measure. If  $\phi \in C^\infty(S)_+$  and  $|\int_S x^\wedge \phi \, d\mu| < \infty$  for all  $x \in E$  then there is  $f \in E_+^\sim$  with  $\phi = f^\wedge$ .*

Define  $h \in E_+^\sim$  by  $h(x) = \int_S x^\wedge \phi \, d\mu$  ( $x \in E$ ). If  $g \in E_+^\sim$  and  $g^\wedge \leq \phi$  then  $g(x) = \int_S x^\wedge g^\wedge \, d\mu \leq \int_S x^\wedge \phi \, d\mu = h(x)$  for all  $x \in E_+$ . Thus  $h \geq g$  and hence  $h^\wedge \geq g^\wedge$ . We know  $\phi(s) = \sup \{\psi(s); \psi \in C^\infty(S), \text{supp}(\psi) \text{ is compact, } \psi \text{ is bounded}\} = \sup \{g^\wedge(s); g \in E_+^\sim, g^\wedge \leq \phi\}$  for each  $s \in S$ , so that  $h^\wedge \geq \phi$ . As  $E^{\sim\wedge}$  is an ideal in  $C^\infty(S)$  we must have  $\phi = f^\wedge$  for some  $f \in E^\sim$  (in fact  $f = h$ ).

**THEOREM 3.3:** *If  $T \in L^\sim(E)$  then  $T \in P(E)$  if and only if  $T^\sim \in P(E^\sim)$ .*

Suppose  $T \in P(E)$ . Represent  $(E, E^\sim)$  admissibly in  $C^\infty(S)$ , with  $\mu$  the corresponding measure. By Theorem 2.5 there is  $T^\wedge \in C^\infty(S)$  with  $(Tx)^\wedge(s) = T^\wedge(s)x^\wedge(s)$  for all  $s \in S$  for which the product is defined. In particular this fails to hold on a nowhere dense set only, which is locally  $\mu$ -negligible. As  $S$  is extremally disconnected and locally compact there is, for each  $f \in E_+^\sim$ ,  $\phi \in C^\infty(S)$  with  $\phi(s) = T^\wedge(s)f^\wedge(s)$  except, again, on a locally  $\mu$ -negligible set. Clearly we have, if  $x \in E$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_S \phi(s)x^\wedge(s) \, d\mu(s) &= \int_S T^\wedge(s)f^\wedge(s)x^\wedge(s) \, d\mu(s) \\ &= \int_S (Tx)^\wedge(s)f^\wedge(s) \, d\mu(s) \\ &= f(Tx) \\ &= (T^\sim f)(x) \end{aligned}$$

which is finite. It follows from Lemma 3.2 that there is  $g_f \in E_+^\sim$  with  $(g_f)^\wedge = \phi$ . We have now a linear map  $f \mapsto g_f = g_{f^+} - g_{f^-}$  on  $E^\sim$ , and  $(g_f)^\wedge(s) = T^\wedge(s)f^\wedge(s)$  whenever the product is defined. It follows from Remark 5 that  $f \mapsto g_f$  lies in  $P(E^\sim)$ . But  $g_f(x) = \int_S \phi(s)x^\wedge(s) \, d\mu(s) = (T^\sim f)(x)$  for all  $x \in E$ , so  $g_f = T^\sim f$  and  $T^\sim \in P(E^\sim)$ .

If  $T^\sim \in P(E^\sim)$  then, as  $E^{\sim\sim}$  separates the points of  $E^\sim$ ,  $T^{\sim\sim} \in P(E^{\sim\sim})$ . Let  $\pi : E \rightarrow E^{\sim\sim}$  be the natural injection, so that  $\pi(Tx) = T^{\sim\sim}(\pi x)$  ( $x \in E$ ). We know  $\pi$  is a lattice homomorphism, so if  $x, y \in E$  with  $x \wedge y = 0$  we have  $\pi x \wedge \pi y = 0$ . Hence  $0 = \pi x \wedge T^{\sim\sim} \pi y = \pi x \wedge \pi(Ty) = \pi(x \wedge Ty)$ , so that  $x \wedge Ty = 0$ . Thus  $T \in P(E)$ .

Bigard [2], has shown that if  $T \in P(E)$  then  $T^\times \in P(E^\times)$ , where  $T^\times$  denotes the restriction of  $T^\sim$  to  $E^\times$ .

It is not true that  $T \in S(E)$  if and only if  $T^\sim \in S(E^\sim)$ , and an example to show this will be given in section 4. The positive result we do have requires us to go the second dual.

**THEOREM 3.4:** *If  $T \in L^\sim(E)$  then  $T \in S(E)$  if and only if  $T^{\sim\sim} \in S(E^{\sim\sim})$ .*

Again we let  $\pi : E \rightarrow E^{\sim\sim}$  be the natural injection. This time we choose an admissible functional representation of the pair  $(E^\sim, E^{\sim\sim})$  in  $C^\infty(S)$ , with  $\mu$  the associated measure. We certainly have that  $T^{\sim\sim} \in S(E^{\sim\sim})$  implies  $T \in S(E)$ , so we shall assume  $T \in S(E)_+$  and prove that  $T^{\sim\sim} \in S(E^{\sim\sim})_+$ . As  $S(E)$  is positively generated this will prove the result.

We know  $T \in P(E)$  so  $T^\sim \in P(E^\sim)$  and  $T^{\sim\sim} \in P(E^{\sim\sim})$  by Theorem 3.3. There is thus a function  $T^\wedge \in C^\infty(S)$  such that  $T^\sim$  and  $T^{\sim\sim}$  are represented in  $C^\infty(S)$  by multiplication by  $T^\wedge$  at all points of  $S$  for which the product is defined. We know that if  $x \in E_+$  there is  $\lambda_x \geq 0$  with  $0 \leq \pi(Tx) = T^{\sim\sim}(\pi x) \leq \lambda_x(\pi x)$ . Thus  $T^\wedge$  is bounded on the support of  $(\pi x)^\wedge$  for each  $x \in E$ . We must prove that  $T^\wedge$  is bounded on the support of  $X^\wedge$  for each  $X \in E_+^{\sim\sim}$ .

Let  $B_n = \{s \in S : n - 1 < T^\wedge(s) < n + 1\}^-$ , an open and closed subset of  $S$  since  $T^\wedge$  is continuous and  $S$  is extremally disconnected. Set  $A_n = B_n \cap \text{supp}(X^\wedge)$  which is again open and closed. Let  $P = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : A_n \neq \emptyset\}$ . We claim  $P$  is a finite set.

If  $n \in P$  choose  $s_n \in A_n$  with  $X^\wedge(s_n) > 0$  and  $n - 1 < T^\wedge(s_n) < n + 1$ . Choose  $f_n \in E_+$  with  $f_n^\wedge(s_n) > 0$ , possible by the admissibility of the representation.  $P(E^-)$  is a lattice so we may form

$$g_n^\wedge = [-|T^\wedge(s_n)I_E - T^-| + \alpha_n I_E]^+ \cdot f_n \geq 0,$$

where  $\alpha_n$  is chosen so that  $n + 1 - T^\wedge(s_n)$ ,  $T^\wedge(s_n) - (n - 1) > \alpha_n > 0$ . We have

$$g_n^\wedge(s) = [-|T^\wedge(s_n) - T^\wedge(s)| + \alpha_n]^+ f_n^\wedge(s)$$

whenever the product is defined. If  $g_n^\wedge(s) > 0$  then  $|T^\wedge(s_n) - T^\wedge(s)| < \alpha_n$  so that  $n + 1 - T^\wedge(s) = [n + 1 - T^\wedge(s_n)] + [T^\wedge(s_n) - T^\wedge(s)] > 0$ , and similarly  $T^\wedge(s) - (n - 1) > 0$ . Thus  $\text{supp}(g_n^\wedge) \subset B_n$ . Also  $g_n^\wedge(s_n) = \alpha_n f_n^\wedge(s_n) > 0$ .

Note that  $X(g_n) > 0$ . For let  $K$  be a non-empty compact open subset of  $S$ , containing  $s_n$ , with  $X^\wedge \geq \beta \chi_K$  and  $g_n \geq \gamma \chi_K$  for some  $\beta, \gamma > 0$ .  $\chi_K = Y^\wedge$  for some  $0 \neq Y \in E_+^{\sim}$ , and  $\mu(K) > 0$  for else  $Y(h) = \int_S h^\wedge Y^\wedge d\mu = \int_K h^\wedge d\mu = 0$  for all  $h \in E^-$ . Then  $X(g_n) = \int_S X^\wedge g_n^\wedge d\mu \geq \beta \cdot \gamma \cdot \mu(K) > 0$ .

If  $x \in E$  then  $\text{supp}(\pi x)^\wedge \cap B_n = \emptyset$  for all but finitely many  $n$ , as  $T^\wedge$  is bounded on  $\text{supp}(\pi x)^\wedge$ . Thus  $g_n(x) = (\pi x)(g_n) = \int_S (\pi x)^\wedge g_n^\wedge d\mu = 0$  for all but finitely many  $n$ , since  $\text{supp}(g_n^\wedge) \subset B_n$ . Thus the series  $\sum_{n \in P} X(g_n)^{-1} g_n(x)$  converges for all  $x \in E$ . We may thus define  $h \in E_+^-$  by  $h(x) = \sum_{n \in P} X(g_n)^{-1} g_n(x)$ . If  $F$  is a finite subset of  $P$ , then for  $x \in E_+$ ,

$$h(x) \geq \sum_{n \in F} X(g_n)^{-1} g_n(x),$$

so that

$$h \geq \sum_{n \in F} X(g_n)^{-1} g_n.$$

Thus

$$X(h) \geq \sum_{n \in F} X(g_n)^{-1} X(g_n) = |F|.$$

It follows that  $P$  must be a finite set.

Thus there is  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  with

$$T^\wedge(\text{supp}(X^\wedge)) \subset [0, m] \cup \{\infty\}.$$

As  $T^\wedge \in C^\infty(S)$  continuity shows that  $T^\wedge(\text{supp}(X^\wedge)) \subset [0, m]$ , completing the proof.

Finally we answer the question “when is it true that  $T \in S(E)$  and  $T^\sim \in S(E^\sim)$ ?”

**THEOREM 3.5:** *If  $T \in L^-(E)$  the following are equivalent:*

- (1)  $T \in Z(E)$
- (2)  $T \in S(E)$  and  $T^\sim \in S(E^\sim)$ .

The proof is similar to that of Theorem 3.4, the proof of (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) being obvious. Represent  $(E, E^\sim)$  admissibly in  $C^\infty(S)$  with  $\mu$  the corresponding measure. By Theorem 2.5 there is  $T^\wedge \in C^\infty(S)$  with  $(Tx)^\wedge(s) = T^\wedge(s)x^\wedge(s)$  and (by the proof of Theorem 3.3)  $(T^\sim f)^\wedge(s) = T^\wedge(s)f^\wedge(s)$  ( $x \in E$ ,  $f \in E^\sim$ ) whenever the products are defined. We also know  $T^\wedge$  is bounded on the sets  $\text{supp}(x^\wedge)$  ( $x \in E$ ) and  $\text{supp}(f^\wedge)$  ( $f \in E^\sim$ ).

Let  $S_n = \{s \in S : n - 1 < T^\wedge(s) < n + 1\}^-$ , an open and closed set,  $P = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : S_n \neq \emptyset\}$ . We need only show that  $P$  is a finite set. Let  $K_n$  be a non-empty compact open subset of  $S_n$  for each  $n \in P$ . For each such  $n$  there is  $f_n \in E_+^\sim$  with  $f_n^\wedge = \chi_{K_n}$ . Define  $F \in E_+^\sim$  by

$$F(x) = \sum f_n(x) = \sum_{n \in P} \int_K x^\wedge d\mu \quad (x \in E),$$

the sum converging as  $\text{supp}(x^\wedge)$  meets only finitely many  $S_n$ , and hence only finitely many  $K_n$ . If  $x \in E_+$ ,  $n \in P$  then  $F(x) \geq f_n(x)$ , so  $F \geq f_n$  and  $F^\wedge \geq \chi_{K_n}$ . Thus  $\text{supp}(F^\wedge) \cap S_n \neq \emptyset$  for all  $n \in P$ . But  $T^\wedge$  is bounded on  $\text{supp}(F^\wedge)$ , so we must have  $P$  finite and the proof is complete.

#### 4. Examples

Let  $\Omega$  denote the space of all real sequences,  $\Phi = \{(x_n) \in \Omega : x_n = 0 \text{ for all but finitely many } n\}$ ,  $m = \{(x_n) \in \Omega : \exists K \geq 0 \text{ with } -K \leq x_n \leq K \forall n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . It is easy to verify that we have the following identifications:

$$\begin{aligned} Z(\Omega) &= S(\Omega) = m, P(\Omega) = \Omega, \\ Z(\Phi) &= m, S(\Phi) = P(\Phi) = \Omega. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that we need have neither  $Z(E) = S(E)$  nor  $S(E) = P(E)$  in general. Also since  $\Omega^\sim$  may be identified with  $\Phi$  and  $\Phi^\sim$  with  $\Omega$  this shows that neither  $S(E)$  nor  $\{T \in L^\sim(E) : T^\sim \in S(E^\sim)\}$  need include the other.

An exception occurs when  $E$  is a Banach lattice. This will follow from the next proposition, special cases of which have been proved by Bigard ([2], Théorème 8) and Flösser ([7], Satz 1.15).

**PROPOSITION 4.1:** *Let  $E$  be a normed lattice and  $T \in P(E)$ .  $T$  is norm bounded with  $\|T\| \leq \lambda$  if and only if  $-\lambda I_E \leq T \leq \lambda T_E$ .*

Suppose  $-\lambda I_E \leq T \leq \lambda I_E$  and  $x \in E$ . By using a representation of  $T$  as a multiplication operator it is clear that  $|Tx| = |T(|x|)|$ . Hence

$$-\lambda|x| \leq T(|x|) \leq \lambda|x|$$

implies

$$|Tx| = |T(|x|)| \leq \lambda|x|,$$

so that

$$\|Tx\| \leq \lambda\|x\|$$

and hence

$$\|T\| \leq \lambda.$$

Suppose conversely that  $\|T\| \leq \lambda$ , then  $T^\sim$  leaves  $E^*$ , the normed dual of  $E$ , invariant and  $\|T^\sim|_{E^*}\| \leq \lambda$ . Represent  $(E, E^\sim)$  admissibly in  $C^\infty(S)$  and use Theorems 2.5 and 3.3 to find  $T^\sim \wedge \in C^\infty(S)$  such that, for all  $f \in E^\sim$ ,  $(T^\sim f)^\wedge(s) = T^\sim \wedge(s) f^\wedge(s)$  whenever the product is defined. If we prove that  $-\lambda I_{E^*} \leq T^\sim|_{E^*} \leq \lambda I_{E^*}$  the proof of Proposition 3.1 will show that  $-\lambda I_E \leq T \leq \lambda I_E$ .

We prove  $T^\sim|_{E^*} \leq \lambda I_{E^*}$ , the proof that  $-\lambda I_{E^*} \leq T^\sim|_{E^*}$  being similar. If this fails we can find  $g \in E^*$  with  $T^\sim g \not\leq \lambda g$ . It follows that

$$A = \{s \in S : T^\sim \wedge(s) > \lambda + \epsilon, g^\wedge(s) > 0\}$$

is non-empty for some  $\epsilon > 0$ . Let  $B$  be a non-empty open and closed subset of  $A$ . As  $E^*$  is a lattice ideal in  $E^\sim$ , there is  $h \in E^*$  with  $h^\wedge = \chi_B \cdot g^\wedge$ . It follows from the representation that

$$T^\sim h \geq (\lambda + \epsilon)h > 0,$$

and hence that  $\|T^\sim h\| \geq (\lambda + \epsilon)\|h\|$ , contradicting  $\|T^\sim\| \leq \lambda$ .

**COROLLARY 4.2:** *If  $E$  is a Banach lattice then  $Z(E) = S(E) = P(E)$ .*

This follows from the proposition as all positive linear operators on a Banach lattice, and hence their differences, are norm bounded.

Theorem 3.5 may be rephrased as  $\{T \in L^\sim(E) : T^\sim \in S(E^\sim)\} \cap S(E) = Z(E)$ . It is natural to ask what  $\{T \in L^\sim(E) : T^\sim \in S(E^\sim)\} + S(E)$  is, especially as in many of the examples that first come to mind it is precisely  $P(E)$ . This is not the case in general as the following example shows.

**EXAMPLE 4.3:** *Let  $E = \{(a_n) \in \Omega : (n^p a_n) \in l_1 \text{ for all } p \in \mathbb{N}\}$ .  $E$  is a Riesz space,  $E^\sim$  separates the points of  $E$  and  $\{T \in L^\sim(E) : T^\sim \in S(E^\sim)\} + S(E) \neq P(E)$ .*

That  $E$  is a Riesz space is easy to check, and  $E^\sim$  separates its points as the functionals  $(a_n) \rightarrow a_m$  lie in  $E^\sim$  for each  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $(a_n) \in E$  then also  $(na_n) \in E$ , so  $(a_n) \rightarrow (na_n)$  is an element of  $P(E)$ . This does not lie in  $Z(E)$ . We claim that  $S(E) = \{T \in L^\sim(E) : T^\sim \in S(E^\sim)\} = Z(E)$ , which will certainly prove the claim.

The sequence  $(n^{-n})_{n=1}^\infty$  lies in  $E$  and has support the whole of  $\mathbb{N}$ . Thus if  $T \in S(E)$  is represented by multiplication co-ordinatewise by the sequence  $(t_n)$  then  $(t_n) \in m$  by Remark 6 and hence  $T \in Z(E)$ . Similarly if  $T \in L^\sim(E)$  and  $T^\sim \in S(E^\sim) \subset P(E^\sim)$  then  $T \in P(E)$ . Represent  $T$  as multiplication by the sequence  $(t_n)$ .  $F : (a_n) \rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^\infty a_n$  lies in  $E^\sim$ , so there is  $\lambda \geq 0$  with  $-\lambda F \leq T^\sim F \leq \lambda F$ . If  $e_n$  is the sequence with 1 in its  $n$ 'th position and zero elsewhere, which certainly lies in  $E$ , then

$$-\lambda = -\lambda F(e_n) \leq (T^\sim F)(e_n) = F(Te_n) = t_n \leq \lambda F(e_n) = \lambda.$$

Thus  $(t_n) \in m$  and  $T \in Z(E)$ .

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