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ON SOME PROPERTIES  
OF ORTHOSYMMETRIC BILINEAR OPERATORS<sup>1</sup>

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This note contains some properties of positive orthosymmetric bilinear operators on vector lattices which are well known for almost  $f$ -algebra multiplication but despite of their simplicity does not seem appeared in the literature.

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The aim of this note is to present some properties of orthosymmetric bilinear operators which are well known for  $f$ -algebra multiplication but despite of their simplicity does not seem appeared in the literature. All unexplained terms can be found in [1] or [13]. All vector lattices under consideration are assumed to be Archimedean.

1. A bilinear operator  $b : E \times E \rightarrow G$  is called *orthosymmetric* if  $x \wedge y = 0$  implies  $b(x, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in E$ . This definition was introduced in [8]. Recall also that  $b$  is said to be *symmetric* if  $b(x, y) = b(y, x)$  for all  $x, y \in E$  and *positively semidefinite* if  $b(x, x) \geq 0$  for every  $x \in E$ . In the special case that  $b$  is the multiplication of a commutative almost  $f$ -algebra the following proposition is presented in [2, Proposition 1.13].

**Proposition 1.** *Let  $F$  and  $G$  be vector lattices. A positive bilinear operator  $b$  from  $E \times E$  to  $G$  is orthosymmetric if and only if  $b(x, y) = b(x \vee y, x \wedge y)$  for all  $x, y \in E$ .*

◁ Orthosymmetry implies  $b(x - x \wedge y, y - x \wedge y) = 0$ . Since a positive orthosymmetric bilinear operator is symmetric (see [8]), we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} b(x, y) &= b(x, x \wedge y) + b(x \wedge y, y) - b(x \wedge y, x \wedge y) \\ &= b(x + y - x \wedge y, x \wedge y) = b(x \vee y, x \wedge y). \end{aligned}$$

Conversely, if  $x \wedge y = 0$ , then  $b(x, y) = b(x \vee y, 0) = 0$ . ▷

A bilinear operator  $b : E \times F \rightarrow G$  is said to be *lattice bimorphism* if the mappings  $y \mapsto b(e, y)$  ( $y \in F$ ) and  $x \mapsto b(x, f)$  ( $x \in E$ ) are lattice homomorphisms for all  $0 \leq e \in E$  and  $0 \leq f \in F$ , see [11]. Evidently, every lattice bimorphism is positive. The following characterization of lattice bimorphism was given in [15].

**Proposition 2.** *For a positive bilinear operator  $b : E \times E \rightarrow G$  the following assertions are equivalent:*

- (1)  $b$  is a lattice bimorphism;
- (2)  $|b(x, y)| = b(|x|, |y|)$  for all  $x \in E$  and  $y \in F$ ;

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(3) if  $0 \leq x, u \in E$  and  $0 \leq y, v \in F$  satisfy  $x \wedge u = 0$  and  $y \wedge v = 0$ , then  $b(x, y) \wedge b(u, v) = 0$ .

**2.** It was mentioned in [12] that an orthosymmetric positive bilinear operator is positively semidefinite. The converse is also true for lattice bimorphisms as was observed in [7, Proposition 1.7]. The following characterization of symmetric lattice bimorphisms is well known at least for  $d$ -algebra multiplication (see, for example, [2, Theorems 4.3, 4.4, 4.5] and [4, Proposition 3.6]).

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $E$  and  $F$  be vector lattices and let  $b : E \times E \rightarrow F$  be a lattice bimorphism. Then the following assertions are equivalent:*

- (1)  $b$  is symmetric;
- (2)  $b(x, x) - b(y, y) = b(x - y, x + y)$  for all  $x, y \in E$ ;
- (3)  $b(x, x) \wedge b(y, y) \leq b(x, y) \leq b(x, x) \vee b(y, y)$  for all  $x, y \in E_+$ ;
- (4)  $b(x \wedge y, x \wedge y) = b(x, x) \wedge b(y, y)$  and  $b(x \vee y, x \vee y) = b(x, x) \vee b(y, y)$  for all  $x, y \in E_+$ ;
- (5)  $x \wedge y = 0$  implies  $b(x, y) = b(y, x)$  for all  $x, y \in E$ ;
- (6)  $b(x, |x|) = b(x^+, x^+) - b(x^-, x^-)$  for all  $x \in E$ ;
- (7)  $b$  is orthosymmetric;
- (8)  $b$  is positively semidefinite.

$\triangleleft$  (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (2): It is obviously true for every bilinear operator  $b$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3): For any  $x, y \in E_+$  we deduce making use of (2):

$$\begin{aligned} b(x, x) \wedge b(y, y) - b(x, y) &\leq b(x, x) \wedge b(y, y) - b(x \wedge y, x \wedge y) \\ &= [b(x, x) - b(x \wedge y, x \wedge y)] \wedge [b(y, y) - b(x \wedge y, x \wedge y)] \\ &= b(x - x \wedge y, x + x \wedge y) \wedge b(y - x \wedge y, y + x \wedge y) \\ &\leq b(x - x \wedge y, x + y) \wedge b(y - x \wedge y, x + y) \\ &= b((x - x \wedge y) \wedge (y - x \wedge y), x + y) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

The second inequality is deduced likewise.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4): Using the first inequality in (3) we can write the following chain of equalities:

$$\begin{aligned} b(x, x) \wedge b(y, y) &= [b(x, x) \wedge b(x, y)] \wedge [b(y, x) \wedge b(y, y)] \\ &= b(x, x \wedge y) \wedge b(y, x \wedge y) = b(x \wedge y, x \wedge y). \end{aligned}$$

The second equality is deduced likewise.

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5): Take  $x, y \in E$  with  $x \wedge y = 0$ . By the first equality of (3)  $b(x, x)$  and  $b(y, y)$  are disjoint. Using the second equality we have  $b(x, x) + b(y, y) = b(x \vee y, x \vee y) = b(x + y, x + y) = b(x, x) + b(x, y) + b(y, x) + b(y, y)$ , so that  $b(x, y) = b(y, x) = 0$ .

(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (6): It is sufficient to observe that  $b(x, |x|) - b(x^+, x^+) + b(x^-, x^-) = b(x^+, x^-) - b(x^-, x^+)$ .

(6)  $\Rightarrow$  (7): If  $b$  obey (6), then  $b(x^+, x^-)$  and  $b(x^-, x^+)$  coincide, see (5)  $\Rightarrow$  (6). At the same time these elements are disjoint, since  $b(x^+, x^-) \leq b(x^+, |x|)$ ,  $b(x^-, x^+) \leq b(x^-, |x|)$  and  $b(x^+, |x|) \wedge b(x^-, |x|) = 0$ . Thus,  $b(x^+, x^-) = b(x^-, x^+) = 0$ , from which (7) follows

(7)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Follows from [8, Corollary 2].

(7)  $\Rightarrow$  (8): If  $b$  is orthosymmetric, then  $b(x, x) = b(x^+, x^+) - b(x^+, x^-) - b(x^-, x^+) + b(x^-, x^-) = b(x^+, x^+) + b(x^-, x^-) \geq 0$ , see [12].

(8)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (7): Let  $b$  be a positively semidefinite lattice bimorphism. Take  $x, y \in E$  and put  $\alpha := b(x, x)$ ,  $\beta := b(y, y)$ ,  $\gamma := b(x, y) + b(y, x)$ . Then  $\alpha + \beta - \gamma = b(x - y, x - y) \geq 0$ . If  $x \wedge y = 0$ , then  $b(x, y) \geq b(x, y) \wedge b(y, y) = b(x \wedge y, y) = 0$  and, since  $b(x, \cdot)$  and  $b(\cdot, x)$  are lattice homomorphisms, we have  $\alpha \wedge b(x, y) = b(x, x \wedge y) = 0$  and  $\alpha \wedge b(y, x) = b(x \wedge y, x) = 0$ .

Thus,  $\alpha \perp \gamma$  and analogously  $\beta \perp \gamma$ . Therefore,  $(\alpha + \beta) \perp \gamma$ , and taking into account the inequality  $\alpha + \beta - \gamma \geq 0$  we derive  $\gamma = 0$ , i.e.  $b(x, y) = b(y, x) = 0$ .  $\triangleright$

**3.** Let  $E$  be a vector lattice. A pair  $(E^\odot, \odot)$  is said to be a *square* of  $E$  if the following two conditions are fulfilled:

- (1)  $E^\odot$  is a vector lattice and  $\odot$  is a symmetric lattice bimorphism from  $E \times E$  to  $E^\odot$ ,
- (2) if  $b$  is a symmetric lattice bimorphism from  $E \times E$  to some vector lattice  $F$ , then there exists a unique lattice homomorphism  $\Phi_b : E^\odot \rightarrow F$  with  $b = \Phi_b \odot$ .

For an arbitrary vector lattice  $E$  there exists the square  $(E^\odot, \odot)$  which is essentially unique, i. e. if some pair  $(E^\odot, \odot)$  obeys (1) and (2) above, then there exists a lattice isomorphism  $i$  from  $E^\odot$  onto  $E^\odot$  such that  $i \odot = \odot$  (and, of course,  $i^{-1} \odot = \odot$ ), see [10]. Moreover (see [10] and [7, Theorem 3.1]), for every positive bilinear orthoregular operator  $b : E \times E \rightarrow G$  there exists a unique linear regular operator  $\Phi_b : E^\odot \rightarrow G$  such that

$$b(x, y) = \Phi_b(x \odot y) \quad (x, y \in E).$$

The symmetric lattice bimorphism  $\odot : E \times E \rightarrow E^\odot$  is called the *canonical bimorphism* of the square. The operator  $\Phi_b$  is called the *linearization* of  $b$  via square. If  $E$  is a sublattice of a semiprime  $f$ -algebra  $A$ , then the canonical bimorphism  $\odot$  can be expressed in terms of the algebra multiplication, see [7, Proposition 2.5].

**Proposition 3.** *Let  $A$  be a semiprime  $f$ -algebra with a multiplication  $\bullet$  and  $E$  be a sublattice of  $A$ . Then there exists a sublattice  $F \subset A$  and an isomorphism  $\iota$  from  $E^\odot$  onto  $F$  such that  $\iota(x \odot y) = x \bullet y$  for all  $x, y \in E$ . In other words, the pair  $(F, \bullet)$  is a square of  $E$ .*

**4.** A vector lattice  $E$  is called *square-mean closed* if the set  $\{(\cos \theta)x + (\sin \theta)y : 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi\}$  has a supremum  $\mathfrak{s}(x, y)$  in  $E$  for all  $x, y \in E$ . A vector lattice  $E$  is called *geometric-mean closed* if the set  $\{(t/2)x + (1/2t)y : 0 < t < +\infty\}$  has an infimum  $\mathfrak{g}(x, y)$  in  $E$  for all  $x, y \in E_+$ . The following result see in [5, Theorems 3.1 and 3.4].

**Proposition 4.** *If  $A$  is a square-mean closed Archimedean  $f$ -algebra, then*

$$\mathfrak{s}(x, y)^2 = x^2 + y^2 \quad (x, y \in A).$$

*If  $A$  is a geometric-mean closed Archimedean  $f$ -algebra, then*

$$\mathfrak{g}(x, y)^2 = xy \quad (x, y \in A_+).$$

Every relatively uniformly complete vector lattice is square-mean closed and geometric-mean closed [5, Theorems 3.3]. However, neither a square-mean closed nor a geometric-mean closed Archimedean vector lattice need not be uniformly complete. But a geometric-mean closed Archimedean  $f$ -algebra is square-mean closed [5, Theorem 3.6]. The following result is a generalization of Proposition 4.

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $E$  and  $F$  be vector lattices and  $b : E \times E \rightarrow F$  a positive orthosymmetric bilinear operator. If  $E$  is square-mean closed, then*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{s}(x, y) \odot \mathfrak{s}(x, y) &= x \odot x + y \odot y, \\ b(\mathfrak{s}(x, y), \mathfrak{s}(x, y)) &= b(x, x) + b(y, y) \end{aligned}$$

*for all  $x, y \in E$ . If  $E$  is geometric-mean closed, then for all  $x, y \in E_+$  we have*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{g}(x, y) \odot \mathfrak{g}(x, y) &= x \odot y, \\ b(\mathfrak{g}(x, y), \mathfrak{g}(x, y)) &= b(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

◁ In each of two cases under consideration the second equality follows from the first one by applying  $\Phi_b$ , the linearization via square of  $b$ . Let  $A$  denotes the universal completion of  $E$  endowed with a semiprime  $f$ -algebra multiplication. Then by Proposition 3 there is a lattice isomorphism  $\iota$  of  $E^\circ$  onto a sublattice  $F \subset A$ . At the same time, according to Proposition 4, the following equalities are true in  $A$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathfrak{s}(x, y) \bullet \mathfrak{s}(x, y) &= x \bullet x + y \bullet y \quad (x, y \in E), \\ \mathfrak{g}(x, y) \bullet \mathfrak{g}(x, y) &= x \bullet y \quad (x, y \in E_+).\end{aligned}$$

Now, the first equalities are immediate by applying  $\iota^{-1}$ , since  $\mathfrak{s}(x, y) \in E$  and  $\mathfrak{g}(x, y) \in E$  under the stated hypotheses and  $\iota^{-1}(x \bullet y) = x \odot y$ . ▷

5. In conclusion we present some corollaries to Theorem 2.

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $E$  and  $F$  be vector lattices with  $E$  square-mean closed and  $b : E \times E \rightarrow F$  be a positive orthosymmetric bilinear operator. Then  $E_+^{(b)} := \{b(x, x) : x \in E\}$  is a convex pointed cone and  $E^{(b)} := b(E \times E)$  is a vector subspace of  $F$  ordered by a positive cone  $E_+^{(b)}$  such that  $E^{(b)} = E_+^{(b)} - E_+^{(b)}$ . If, in addition,  $b$  is a lattice bimorphism, then  $E^{(b)}$  is a vector sublattice of  $F$ .*

◁ The first part of Theorem 2 implies that  $E_+^{(b)} \subset F_+$  is a pointed cone. The equalities  $b(x, y) = (1/4)[b(x+y, x+y) - b(x-y, x-y)]$  and  $b(x, x) - b(y, y) = b(x+y, x-y)$  show that  $E^{(b)} = E_+^{(b)} - E_+^{(b)}$ . Thus,  $(E^{(b)}, E_+^{(b)})$  is an ordered vector space. If  $b$  is a lattice bimorphism, then  $E_+^{(b)}$  is a sublattice of  $F_+$  in virtue of Theorem 1 (2). ▷

For an almost  $f$ -algebra multiplication this result was obtained in [4, Proposition 3.3, Corollary 3.7]. The first statement of the following corollary was proved in [9, Lemma 8] in case of uniformly complete  $E$ .

**Corollary 2.** *Let  $E$  be a square-mean closed vector lattice. The the assertions hold:*

- (1)  $E^\circ = \{x \odot y : x, y \in E\}$  and  $E_+^\circ = \{x \odot x : x \in E\}$ ;
- (2) If  $F = h(E)$ , then  $F^\circ = h^\circ(E^\circ)$  for any vector lattice  $F$  and lattice homomorphism  $h : E \rightarrow F$ ;
- (3) If  $J$  is a uniformly closed order ideal of  $E$ , then  $J^\circ := \{x \odot y : |x| \wedge |y| \in J\}$  is a uniformly closed order ideal of  $E^\circ$  and the map  $x \odot y + J^\circ \mapsto (x + J) \odot (y + J)$  implements a lattice isomorphism of  $E^\circ/J^\circ$  onto  $(E/J)^\circ$ .

◁ (1) Put  $b := \odot$  in Corollary 1 and observe that  $E^\circ = E^{(b)}$ , since  $E^\circ$  coincides with the sublattice generated by  $b(E \times E) = \{x \odot y : x, y \in E\}$ .

(2) If  $h : F \rightarrow E$  is a lattice homomorphism then by [7, Proposition 2.4] there exists a lattice homomorphism  $h^\circ : F^\circ \rightarrow E^\circ$  such that  $h^\circ(x \odot y) = h(x) \odot h(y)$  ( $x, y \in F$ ). Assume that  $T(E) = F$ . Then making use of by (1) we deduce

$$E^\circ = \{h(x) \odot h(y) : x, y \in F\} = \{h^\circ(x \odot y) : x, y \in F\} \subset h^\circ(F^\circ) \subset E^\circ.$$

(3): If  $\phi : E \rightarrow E/J$  is a quotient homomorphism, then  $\phi^\circ$  is a surjective map from  $E^\circ$  to  $(E/J)^\circ$  by (2). According to (1) any  $u \in E^\circ$  have the representation  $u = x \odot y$  for some  $x, y \in E$  and  $0 = \phi^\circ(u) = \phi(x) \odot \phi(y)$  implies  $\phi(x) \perp \phi(y)$  by [7, Theorem 2.1 (3)]. But the latter is equivalent to  $|x| \wedge |y| \in J$ , since  $\phi$  is a lattice homomorphism. Thus,  $J^\circ = \ker(\phi^\circ)$  and the proof is complete. ▷

**Corollary 3.** *Let  $E$  and  $F$  be vector lattices with  $E$  square-mean closed and let  $b : E \times E \rightarrow F$  be an order bounded orthosymmetric bilinear operator. Then for any finite collections  $x_1, y_1, \dots, x_N, y_N \in E$  there exist  $u, v \in E$  such that  $\sum_{k=1}^N b(x_k, y_k) = b(u, v)$ .*

◁ According to Corollary 1 (1) there exist  $u, v \in E$  such that  $u \odot v = \sum_{k=1}^N x_k \odot y_k$ . Now, if  $b = \Phi_b \odot$  for a linear operator  $\Phi_b$  from  $E^\odot$  to  $F$ , then

$$b(u, v) = \Phi_b(u \odot v) = \Phi_b \left( \sum_{k=1}^N x_k \odot y_k \right) = \sum_{k=1}^N b(x_k, y_k)$$

which is the desired representation. ▷

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