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In a previous paper we have proved an irreducible disintegration theorem for the representations of C^* -algebras (see [13], theorem 3.1). We recall that in [13] we associated to any cyclic representation $\pi: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(H)$ of the C^* -algebra \mathcal{C} in the complex Hilbert space H , a measure space (P, A, β) , where β is a positive, σ -additive measure, such that $\beta(P) = 1$, defined on a σ -algebra A of subsets of the set P . Also, we constructed an integrable field $\{(H_p)_{p \in P}; \Gamma\}$ of Hilbert spaces and a field $(\pi_p)_{p \in P}$ of irreducible representations $\pi_p: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(H_p)$, $p \in P$, such that there exists an isometric isomorphism

$$V: H \rightarrow \int_P^{\oplus} H_p d\beta(p)$$

of H on the direct Γ -integral of the field of Hilbert spaces, such that if $x \in H$ and $(\xi_p)_{p \in P} \in V(x)$, then, for any $c \in \mathcal{C}$, we have $(\pi_p(c)\xi_p)_{p \in P} \in V(\pi(c)x)$ and

$$\|\pi(c)x\|^2 = \int_P \|\pi_p(c)\xi_p\|_p^2 d\beta(p).$$

The space (P, A, β) and the fields $(H_p)_{p \in P}$, $(\pi_p)_{p \in P}$, as we have constructed them in [13], depend on the representation π ; also, some of the representations π_p can be degenerated. By analogy with the case of the representations of commutative C^* -algebras (see the Gelfand - Naimark theorem, [10], ch. IV, § 17.4) it is desirable to obtain a decomposition theory as canonical as possible.

In what follows, for any C^* -algebra \mathcal{C} , we shall construct a measurable space (P, A) , a field $(H_p)_{p \in P}$ of Hilbert spaces, a field $(\pi_p)_{p \in P}$ of non-degenerated irreducible representations $\pi_p: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(H_p)$, of \mathcal{C} , and a vector subspace $\Gamma_0 \subset \int_P^{\oplus} H_p$, such that for any cyclic representation $\pi: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(H)$ there exists a measure β , defined on A , positive, finite, and such that the L^2 -completion Γ of the space Γ_0 has the properties stated in the above mentioned theorem. As an application we shall give a new generalization to the continuity theorem of P. Lévy, as well as a generalization to the general case of the theorem of S. Bochner (see theorem 2 below).

1. Let $\pi: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(H)$ be a cyclic representation of the C^* -algebra \mathcal{C} , and let $x_0 \in H$, $\|x_0\| = 1$, be a cyclic vector. Let $\mathcal{Z} \subset (\pi(\mathcal{C}))'$ be a maximal Abelian von

Neumann subalgebra and \mathcal{B} the C^* -algebra generated by \mathcal{Z} and $\pi(\mathcal{C})$. Then we have $\mathcal{Z} \subset \mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{Z}'$ and $\mathcal{B}' = \mathcal{Z}$.

Let $E(\mathcal{B})$ be the convex, $\sigma(\mathcal{B}^*; \mathcal{B})$ -compact set of the states of \mathcal{B} and $E_0(\mathcal{C}) = \{f \in \mathcal{C}^*; f \geq 0, \|f\| \leq 1\}$.

Obviously, $E_0(\mathcal{C})$ is a convex, $\sigma(\mathcal{C}^*; \mathcal{C})$ -compact set and we have

$$\text{ex } E(\mathcal{B}) = P(\mathcal{B}), \quad \text{ex } E_0(\mathcal{C}) = P(\mathcal{C}) \cup \{0\},$$

where $P(\mathcal{B})$, respectively $P(\mathcal{C})$ are the sets of the pure states of the C^* -algebra \mathcal{B} , respectively \mathcal{C} (see [3], § 2.5.5.). We define the state $f_0 \in E(\mathcal{B})$ by $f_0(b) = (\text{bx}_0 | x_0)$, $b \in \mathcal{B}$. The construction $\pi: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ induces an affine mapping $\pi^*: E(\mathcal{B}) \rightarrow E_0(\mathcal{C})$ given by $\pi^*(f) = f \circ \pi$, $f \in E(\mathcal{B})$. Obviously, π^* is $(\sigma(\mathcal{B}^*; \mathcal{B}); \sigma(\mathcal{C}^*; \mathcal{C}))$ -continuous. Let α be the central measure associated to $f_0 \in E(\mathcal{B})$ (see [15], théorème 2; [11], § 5).

Proposition 1. The direct image $(\pi^*)_* (\alpha)$ of the measure α is an orthogonal measure on $E_0(\mathcal{C})$, which represents $\pi^*(f_0)$.

Proof. a) The measure $(\pi^*)_* (\alpha)$ represents $\pi^*(f_0)$. Indeed, for any $c \in \mathcal{C}$ let us denote by $\lambda_c(c)$ the continuous, affine function, defined on $E_0(\mathcal{C})$ by

$$\lambda_c(c)(f) = f(c), \quad f \in E_0(\mathcal{C}),$$

and by $\lambda_B(b)$ let us denote the analogous continuous, affine function, defined on $E(\mathcal{B})$, for any $b \in \mathcal{B}$. We have

$$\lambda_c(c) \circ \pi^* = \lambda_B(\pi(c)), \quad c \in \mathcal{C},$$

and this implies that

$$\begin{aligned} (\pi^*)_* (\alpha) (\lambda_c(c)) &= \alpha(\lambda_c(c) \circ \pi^*) = \alpha(\lambda_B(\pi(c))) = \\ &= f_0(\pi(c)) = (\pi^*(f_0))(c), \quad c \in \mathcal{C}; \end{aligned}$$

the assertion is proved.

b) Let us now remark that the representation π may be identified with the Gelfand-Naimark-Segal representation associated to the state $\varphi_0 = \pi^*(f_0)$ of the C^* -algebra \mathcal{C} . Let $K_{\mathcal{C}}: L^\infty((\pi^*)_* (\alpha)) \rightarrow (\pi(\mathcal{C}))'$ be the associated mapping (see [11], lemma 3). We have to prove that $K_{\mathcal{C}}$ is a homomorphism of $*$ -algebras (see [11], theorem 7).

Indeed, for any $\varphi \in L^\infty((\pi^*)_* (\alpha))$, and any $c_1, c_2 \in \mathcal{C}$ we have

$$(K_{\mathcal{C}}(\varphi) \pi(c_1) x_0 | \pi(c_2) x_0) = \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} \varphi \lambda_{c_2^* c_1} d[(\pi^*)_* (\alpha)] =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (\pi^*)_*(\alpha)(\varphi \lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c_2^* c_1)) = \alpha((\varphi \lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c_2^* c_1)) \circ \pi^*) = \\
 &= \alpha((\varphi \circ \pi^*)(\lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c_2^* c_1) \circ \pi^*)) = \alpha((\varphi \circ \pi^*)(\lambda_{\mathcal{B}}(\pi(c_2^* c_1)))) = \\
 &= (K_{\mathcal{B}}(\varphi \circ \pi^*)\pi(c_1)z_0 | \pi(c_2)z_0),
 \end{aligned}$$

and this proves that we have

$$(*) \quad K_{\mathcal{C}}(\varphi) = K_{\mathcal{B}}(\varphi \circ \pi^*), \quad \varphi \in L^\infty((\pi^*)_*(\alpha)).$$

From (*) we infer that the operator $K_{\mathcal{C}}$ is a homomorphism of \star -algebras; consequently, $(\pi^*)_*(\alpha)$ is an orthogonal measure (see [11], theorem 7). The proposition is proved.

Remark. From formula (*) and from the fact that $\text{im } K_{\mathcal{B}} = \mathcal{B}' = \mathcal{Z}$ we infer that $\text{im } K_{\mathcal{C}} \subset \mathcal{Z}$.

Proposition 2. $\pi^*(P(\mathcal{B})) \subset P(\mathcal{C}) \cup \{0\}$.

Proof. a) Let $p \in P(\mathcal{B})$ and $\xi_p^0 \in H_p$ be the cyclic vector associated to the pure state p . Let f_p be the pure state defined on $\pi_p(\mathcal{B})$ by the formula

$$f_p(\pi_p(b)) = (\pi_p(b)\xi_p^0 | \xi_p^0) = p(b), \quad b \in \mathcal{B}.$$

For any $z \in \mathcal{Z}$ we have $\pi_p(z) = p(z)1_{H_p}$, and, consequently, for any element $b \in \mathcal{B}$ of the form

$$b = \sum_{i=1}^n z_i \pi(c_i) + z_0,$$

where $z_i \in \mathcal{Z}$ and $c_i \in \mathcal{C}$, $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi_p(b) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \pi_p(z_i)(\pi_p \circ \pi)(c_i) + \pi_p(z_0) = \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^n p(z_i)(\pi_p \circ \pi)(c_i) + p(z_0)1_{H_p} \in (\pi_p \circ \pi)(\mathcal{C}) + \mathbb{C}1_{H_p}.
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows that we have the inclusion

$$\pi_p(\mathcal{B}) \subset (\pi_p \circ \pi)(\mathcal{C}) + \mathbb{C}1_{H_p},$$

because the sum from the right-hand member is closed in the norm topology (see [3], § 1.8.1).

On the other hand, since the opposed inclusion is obviously true, we have the

equality

$$(1) \quad \pi_p(\mathcal{B}) = (\pi_p \circ \pi)(\mathcal{C}) + \mathbb{C} 1_{H_p}.$$

b) It follows that $\pi_p(\pi(\mathcal{C}))$ is a two-sided ideal of $\pi_p(\mathcal{B})$, closed for the norm topology; from proposition 2.11.7, from [3], we infer that there exists a decomposition

$$(2) \quad f_p = f'_p + f''_p,$$

where f'_p and f''_p are positive linear forms on $\pi_p(\mathcal{B})$, such that

$$\|f'_p\| = \|f'_p|_{\pi_p(\pi(\mathcal{C}))}\|$$

and

$$f''_p|_{\pi_p(\pi(\mathcal{C}))} = 0.$$

Since f_p is pure, from (2) we infer that there exists a number $\lambda \in [0, 1]$, such that

$$f'_p = \lambda f_p, \quad f''_p = (1-\lambda)f_p.$$

We infer that we have

$$\lambda = \lambda \|f_p\| = \lambda \|f_p|_{\pi_p(\pi(\mathcal{C}))}\|$$

and

$$(1-\lambda) \|f_p|_{\pi_p(\pi(\mathcal{C}))}\| = 0.$$

Consequently, $\lambda \neq 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 1$; it follows that

$$\lambda = 0 \Rightarrow p \circ \pi = 0$$

and

$$\lambda \neq 0 \Rightarrow \|p \circ \pi\| = 1.$$

With formula (1), the proposition is now an immediate consequence.

Let $E_1(\mathcal{B}) = \{f \in E(\mathcal{B}); \|f|_{\pi(\mathcal{C})}\| = 1\}$. Obviously, $E_1(\mathcal{B})$ is a convex subset of $E(\mathcal{B})$. Let us denote $P_1(\mathcal{B}) = P(\mathcal{B}) \cap E_1(\mathcal{B})$ and $P_0(\mathcal{B}) = \{p \in P(\mathcal{B}); p \circ \pi = 0\}$. From proposition 2 we infer that we have

$$P_0(\mathcal{B}) \cap P_1(\mathcal{B}) = \emptyset, \quad P_0(\mathcal{B}) \cup P_1(\mathcal{B}) = P(\mathcal{B}).$$

We obviously have that $f_0 \in E_1(\mathcal{B})$.

Proposition 3. There exists a convex set $Q_1 \subset E_1(\mathcal{B})$, which is Baire measurable in $E(\mathcal{B})$ and has the properties that $f_0 \in Q_1$ and $\alpha(Q_1) = 1$.

Proof. Let $\{u_i\}_{i \in I}$ be an approximative unit in \mathcal{E} . Then (see [3], proposition 2.1.5.) we have

$$\lim_i f_0(\pi(u_i)) = 1;$$

it follows that for any $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ there exists an $i_n \in I$, such that

$$(1) \quad 1 - \frac{1}{n} < f_0(\pi(u_{i_n})).$$

By induction, we can find a sequence $(j_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}$ of indices from I , such that $j_1 = i_1$ and

$$i_n \leq j_n \leq j_{n+1}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}^*.$$

It follows that $\pi(u_{j_n}) \leq \pi(u_{j_{n+1}})$ and, consequently, we have

$$0 \leq \lambda_{\mathcal{B}}(\pi(u_{i_n})) \leq \lambda_{\mathcal{B}}(\pi(u_{j_n})) \leq \lambda_{\mathcal{B}}(\pi(u_{j_{n+1}})) \leq 1.$$

Let $\varphi = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_{\mathcal{B}}(\pi(u_{j_n}))$. Then $\varphi: E(\mathcal{B}) \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a Baire measurable, affine function, and we have

$$(2) \quad \int_{E(\mathcal{B})} \varphi d\alpha = 1.$$

Let $Q_1 = \{f \in E(\mathcal{B}); \varphi(f) = 1\}$. From (2) it follows that $\alpha(Q_1) = 1$. Also, for any $f \in Q_1$ we have

$$\lim_i f(\pi(u_i)) = 1,$$

and this shows that $\|f \circ \pi\| = 1$; consequently, we have that $f \in E_1(\mathcal{B})$ and, therefore, the inclusion $Q_1 \subset E_1(\mathcal{B})$ is established. On the other hand, the set Q_1 is obviously Baire measurable, convex and $f_0 \in Q_1$, as a consequence of (1). The proposition is proved.

Corollary 1. The set $E_1(\mathcal{B})$ is α -measurable and $\alpha(E_1(\mathcal{B})) = 1$.

Proof. It is an immediate consequence of proposition 3.

Corollary 2. Any bounded, continuous function $t: E_1(\mathcal{B}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is α -measurable.

Proof. Since the measure α is regular, there exists an increasing sequence $(K_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of compact sets $K_n \subset E_1(\mathcal{B})$, such that $\alpha(K_n) \uparrow 1$.

Let $K = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} K_n$ and $t_n: E_1(\mathcal{B}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be defined by

$$t_n(f) = \begin{cases} t(f), & f \in K_n \\ 0, & f \in E_1(\mathcal{B}) \setminus K_n. \end{cases}$$

The functions t_n are α -measurable and we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = t \chi_K.$$

It follows that t is α -measurable, because

$$\alpha(E_1(B) \setminus K) = 0.$$

and the corollary is proved.

It is known that the measure α is pseudoconcentrated on $P(B)$ (see [15], theorem 2; [13]). More precisely, if $U \subset E(B)$ is a Baire measurable set, such that $U \cap P(B) = \emptyset$, then $\alpha(U) = 0$.

It follows that by the formula

$$\beta(U \cap P(B)) = \alpha(U),$$

where $U \subset E(B)$ is Baire measurable, we correctly

define a probabilistic measure β on the σ -algebra $A_0(P(B))$ of all traces on $P(B)$ of the Baire measurable subsets of $E(B)$:

$$A_0(P(B)) = \{ U \cap P(B); U \subset E(B) \text{ is Baire measurable} \}.$$

Proposition 4. $\beta^*(P_0(B)) = 0$.

Proof. With the preceding notations, we have

$$(1) \quad 1 = \alpha(Q_1) = \beta(Q_1 \cap P(B)),$$

and

$$(2) \quad Q_1 \cap P(B) \subset P_1(B);$$

consequently, we have that $P_0(B) \subset P(B) \cap Q_1$, and the proposition is proved.

Corollary 1. For any bounded, continuous function $t : E_1(B) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, the function $t|_{P_1(B)}$ is β -measurable and the following equality holds

$$\int_{E_1(B)} t d\alpha = \int_{P_1(B)} t d\beta.$$

Proof. From corollary 2 of proposition 3, we infer that the function t is α -measurable, whereas the set $E_1(B)$ is α -measurable in virtue of corollary 1 of the same proposition. Consequently, the integral in the left-hand member of the preceding equality makes sense, and we have

$$\int_{E_1(B)} t d\alpha = \int_{Q_1} t d\alpha,$$

by taking into account proposition 3.

Since the set Q_1 is Baire measurable, it follows that there exists an increasing sequence of compact sets $L_n \subset Q_1, n \in \mathbb{N}$, which are Baire measurable and such that $\alpha(L_n) \uparrow 1$. Since the functions $t|L_n, n \in \mathbb{N}$, are continuous, the functions

$$\Delta_n : E(\mathcal{B}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N},$$

defined by

$$\Delta_n(f) = \begin{cases} t(f), & f \in L_n, \\ 0, & f \in E(\mathcal{B}) \setminus L_n, \end{cases}$$

are Baire measurable and we have

$$\int_{E(\mathcal{B})} \Delta_n d\alpha = \int_{P(\mathcal{B})} \Delta_n d\beta = \int_{P_1(\mathcal{B})} \Delta_n d\beta.$$

(see [13], lemma 1.1.).

If we denote $L = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} L_n$, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Delta_n = t \chi_L,$$

and $Q_1 \setminus L$ is a Baire measurable set, for which $\alpha(Q_1 \setminus L) = 0$. It follows that

$$\beta((Q_1 \setminus L) \cap P_1(\mathcal{B})) = 0,$$

and, therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{E_1(\mathcal{B})} t d\alpha &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{E_1(\mathcal{B})} \Delta_n d\alpha = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{P_1(\mathcal{B})} \Delta_n d\beta = \\ &= \int_{P_1(\mathcal{B})} t \chi_L d\beta = \int_{P_1(\mathcal{B})} t d\beta, \end{aligned}$$

and this concludes the proof.

Proposition 5. For any bounded, continuous, affine function $t : E_1(\mathcal{B}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ we have

$$t(f_0) = \int_{E_1(\mathcal{B})} t d\alpha.$$

Proof. Since t is continuous at f_0 , for any $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a finite subset $\{b_1, \dots, b_n\} \subset \mathcal{B}$, such that: $f \in E_1(\mathcal{B})$ and $|f(b_i) - f_0(b_i)| < 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, implies $|t(f) - t(f_0)| < \varepsilon$.

Let $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_m\}$ be a finite partition of $E(\mathcal{B})$, consisting of Borel measurable subsets $A_i \subset E(\mathcal{B})$, such that

$$f', f'' \in A_i \Rightarrow |f'(b_j) - f''(b_j)| < 1, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n,$$

for any $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$. If necessary, we can refine the partition such that, with an arbitrary selection of the points $f_i \in A_i \cap Q_1, i = 1, 2, \dots, m$, we have

$$\left| \int_{E_1(B)} t d\alpha - \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha(A_i) t(f_i) \right| < \varepsilon.$$

Let δ be the Radon measure on $E(B)$, given by

$$\delta = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha(A_i) \varepsilon_{f_i}.$$

It is obvious that the barycenter $b(\delta)$ of δ is the point $b(\delta) = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha(A_i) f_i \in E(B)$ and we have $b(\delta) \in Q_1$. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} |b(\delta)(b_j) - f_0(b_j)| &= \left| \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha(A_i) f_i(b_j) - \int_{E(B)} f(b_j) d\alpha(f) \right| = \\ &= \left| \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha(A_i) f_i(b_j) - \sum_{i=1}^m \int_{A_i} f(b_j) d\alpha(f) \right| = \\ &= \left| \sum_{i=1}^m \int_{A_i} (f_i(b_j) - f(b_j)) d\alpha(f) \right| \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^m \int_{A_i} |f_i(b_j) - f(b_j)| d\alpha(f) < 1, \end{aligned}$$

for any $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$; consequently, we have

$$|t(b(\delta)) - t(f_0)| < \varepsilon.$$

Since the function t is affine, we have

$$t(b(\delta)) = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha(A_i) t(f_i),$$

and, consequently,

$$\left| \int_{E_1(B)} t d\alpha - t(f_0) \right| < 2\varepsilon.$$

The proposition is proved.

Corollary. For any bounded, affine function $t : E(B) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, whose restriction to $E_1(B)$ is continuous, we have

$$t(f_0) = \int_{P(B)} t d\beta.$$

Proof. It is an immediate consequence of proposition 4, of the corollary to proposition 4 and of proposition 5.

2. Since the function $\pi^* : E(B) \rightarrow E_0(\mathcal{C})$, which was already defined, is continuous, it is Baire measurable; consequently, the direct image $(\pi^*)_*(\alpha)$ of the measure α is defined on the σ -algebra $\mathcal{B}(E_0(\mathcal{C}))$ of all Baire measurable subsets of $E_0(\mathcal{C})$ by the formula

$$[(\pi^*)_*(\alpha)](A) = \alpha(\pi^{*-1}(A)), \quad A \in \mathcal{B}(E_0(\mathcal{C})).$$

From the inclusions $(\pi^*)^{-1}(\{0\}) \subset E_1(B) \subset Q_1$ it follows that

$0 = \alpha((\pi^*)^{-1}(\{0\}))$, and therefore, for the Borel measure $(\pi^*)_*(\alpha)$, direct image of α , we have

$$((\pi^*)_*(\alpha))(\{0\}) = 0.$$

Since $\{0\}$ is a closed subset of $E_0(\mathcal{C})$, from the preceding equality it follows that the exterior Baire measure, associated to the measure $(\pi^*)_*(\alpha)$, of the set $\{0\} \subset E_0(\mathcal{C})$ is zero.

Let now $A \subset E_0(\mathcal{C})$ be a Baire measurable subset, such that $A \cap P(\mathcal{C}) = \emptyset$.

Then we have

$$((\pi^*)_*(\alpha))(A) = 0.$$

Indeed, from $A \cap P(\mathcal{C}) = \emptyset$ it follows that

$$(\pi^*)^{-1}(A) \cap P(\mathcal{B}) \subset (\pi^*)^{-1}(\{0\}) \subset \mathcal{C}Q_1,$$

and this implies that

$$((\pi^*)^{-1}(A) \setminus \mathcal{C}Q_1) \cap P(\mathcal{B}) = \emptyset;$$

it follows that

$$\alpha((\pi^*)^{-1}(A) \setminus \mathcal{C}Q_1) = 0,$$

and, therefore,

$$\alpha((\pi^*)^{-1}(A)) = 0,$$

because $\alpha(\mathcal{C}Q_1) = 0$. Consequently, we have

$$((\pi^*)_*(\alpha))(A) = 0.$$

Let $A_0(P(\mathcal{C}))$ be the σ -algebra of the traces on $P(\mathcal{C})$ of all Baire measurable subsets of $E_0(\mathcal{C})$:

$$A_0(P(\mathcal{C})) = \{U \cap P(\mathcal{C}); U \subset E_0(\mathcal{C}), \text{ Baire meas.}\}.$$

From the preceding result it follows that by the formula

$\delta(U \cap P(\mathcal{C})) = ((\pi^*)_*(\alpha))(U)$, $U \subset E_0(\mathcal{C})$, Baire measurable, we correctly define a probability measure δ on $A_0(P(\mathcal{C}))$.

In analogy to lemma 1.1. from [13], we can state the following.

Proposition 6. For any bounded, Baire measurable function $t: E_0(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, we have

$$\int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} t d[(\pi^*)_*(\alpha)] = \int_{P(\mathcal{C})} t d\delta.$$

Proof. For any $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a finite partition $\{E_1, E_2, \dots, E_n\}$ of $E_0(\mathcal{C})$, consisting of mutually disjoint, Baire measurable subsets of $E_0(\mathcal{C})$, and complex numbers $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n \in \mathbb{C}$, such that

$$|t(f) - \sum_{i=1}^n t_i \chi_{E_i}(f)| < \varepsilon, \quad f \in E_0(\mathcal{C}).$$

It follows that we have

$$|\int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} t d[(\pi^*)_*(\alpha)] - \sum_{i=1}^n t_i [(\pi^*)_*(\alpha)](E_i)| < \varepsilon,$$

and

$$|\int_{P(\mathcal{C})} t d\delta - \sum_{i=1}^n t_i \delta(E_i \cap P(\mathcal{C}))| < \varepsilon,$$

whence the proposition is now an immediate consequence, if we take into account the definition of the measure δ .

Let now $A_0(P_1(\mathcal{B}))$ be the σ -algebra of the traces on $P_1(\mathcal{B})$ of all the sets belonging to $A_0(P(\mathcal{B}))$; obviously, $A_0(P_1(\mathcal{B}))$ is the σ -algebra of the traces on $P_1(\mathcal{B})$ of all Baire measurable subsets of $E(\mathcal{B})$.

Since

$$Q_1 \cap P(\mathcal{B}) \subset P_1(\mathcal{B}),$$

from the equality

$$\beta(Q_1 \cap P(\mathcal{B})) = \alpha(Q_1) = 1,$$

it follows that by the formula

$\beta_1(A \cap P_1(\mathcal{B})) = \alpha(A)$, $A \subset E(\mathcal{B})$, Baire measurable, we correctly define a probability measure on $A_0(P_1(\mathcal{B}))$.

Let us now consider the mapping $\sigma = \pi^*|_{P_1(\mathcal{B})}$, which is defined on the measurable space $(P_1(\mathcal{B}), A_0(P_1(\mathcal{B})))$, and takes values in the measurable space $(P(\mathcal{C}), A_0(P(\mathcal{C})))$.

The mapping σ is measurable. Indeed, if $A \subset E_0(\mathcal{C})$ is Baire measurable, we have

$$\sigma^{-1}(A \cap P(\mathcal{C})) = ((\pi^*)^{-1}(A)) \cap P_1(\mathcal{B}),$$

and $(\pi^*)^{-1}(A)$ is Baire measurable in $E(\mathcal{B})$.

Proposition 7. $\sigma_*(\beta_1) = \delta$.

Proof. Let $A \subset E_0(\mathcal{C})$ be an arbitrary Baire measurable set. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_*(\beta_1)(A \cap P(\mathcal{C})) &= \beta_1(\sigma^{-1}(A \cap P(\mathcal{C}))) = \beta_1((\pi^*)^{-1}(A) \cap P_1(\mathcal{B})) = \\ &= \alpha((\pi^*)^{-1}(A)) = ((\pi^*)_*(\alpha))(A) = \delta(A \cap P(\mathcal{C})), \end{aligned}$$

and the proposition is proved.

3. For any $p \in P(\mathcal{C})$ let us consider the associated Hilbert space H_p , the associated irreducible representation $\pi_p: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(H_p)$, and the associated canonical mapping $\theta_p: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow H_p$. We shall define a linear mapping $\theta_{\mathcal{C}}: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \prod_{p \in P(\mathcal{C})} H_p$ by the formula

$$\theta_{\mathcal{C}}(c) = (\theta_p(c))_{p \in P(\mathcal{C})}, \quad c \in \mathcal{C}.$$

Similarly, for any $p \in P(\mathcal{B})$ we shall consider the associated Hilbert space H_p , the associated irreducible representation $\pi_p: \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(H_p)$, and the associated canonical mapping $\theta_p: \mathcal{B} \rightarrow H_p$. We shall consider the linear mappings $\theta_{\mathcal{B}}: \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \prod_{p \in P(\mathcal{B})} H_p$ and $\theta'_{\mathcal{B}}: \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \prod_{p \in P_1(\mathcal{B})} H_p$, given by

$$\theta_{\mathcal{B}}(b) = (\theta_p(b))_{p \in P(\mathcal{B})}, \quad \theta'_{\mathcal{B}}(b) = (\theta_p(b))_{p \in P_1(\mathcal{B})}, \quad b \in \mathcal{B}.$$

Let $\rho: \prod_{p \in P(\mathcal{B})} H_p \rightarrow \prod_{p \in P_1(\mathcal{B})} H_p$ be the canonical mapping. We shall denote

$$\Gamma(\mathcal{C}) = \text{im } \theta_{\mathcal{C}}, \quad \Gamma(\mathcal{B}) = \text{im } \theta_{\mathcal{B}}, \quad \Gamma_1(\mathcal{B}) = \text{im } \theta'_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

We now define the linear mappings $u: \Gamma(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \Gamma(\mathcal{B})$ and $u_1: \Gamma(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \Gamma_1(\mathcal{B})$ by

$$u(\theta_{\mathcal{C}}(c)) = \theta_{\mathcal{B}}(\pi(c)), \quad u_1(\theta_{\mathcal{C}}(c)) = \theta'_{\mathcal{B}}(\pi(c)).$$

We obviously have $\rho(\Gamma(\mathcal{B})) = \Gamma_1(\mathcal{B})$ and $\rho \circ u = u_1$.

For any $c \in \mathcal{C}$, the function $p \mapsto p(c)$ is measurable and bounded on $(P(\mathcal{C}), A_0(P(\mathcal{C})))$, whereas for any $b \in \mathcal{B}$, the function $p \mapsto p(b)$ is measurable and bounded on $(P(\mathcal{B}), A_0(P(\mathcal{B})))$ respectively on $(P_1(\mathcal{B}), A_0(P_1(\mathcal{B})))$. It follows that we can define the scalar products

$$(\theta_{\mathcal{C}}(c_1) | \theta_{\mathcal{C}}(c_2)) = \int_{P(\mathcal{C})} p(c_2^* c_1) d\alpha(p), \quad c_1, c_2 \in \mathcal{C},$$

$$(\theta_{\mathcal{B}}(b_1) | \theta_{\mathcal{B}}(b_2)) = \int_{P(\mathcal{B})} p(b_2^* b_1) d\beta(p), \quad b_1, b_2 \in \mathcal{B},$$

and

$$(\theta'_{\mathcal{B}}(b_1) | \theta'_{\mathcal{B}}(b_2)) = \int_{P_1(\mathcal{B})} p(b_2^* b_1) d\beta_1(p), \quad b_1, b_2 \in \mathcal{B},$$

respectively on $\Gamma(\mathcal{C})$, $\Gamma(\mathcal{B})$ and $\Gamma_1(\mathcal{B})$.

We have the following properties

a) u is an isometry of $\Gamma(\mathcal{C})$ into $\Gamma(\mathcal{B})$. Indeed, for any $c_1, c_2 \in \mathcal{C}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} (u\theta_{\mathcal{C}}(c_1) | u\theta_{\mathcal{C}}(c_2)) &= (\theta_{\mathcal{B}}(\pi(c_1)) | \theta_{\mathcal{B}}(\pi(c_2))) = \\ &= \int_{P(\mathcal{B})} p(\pi(c_2^* c_1)) d\beta(p) = \int_{E(\mathcal{B})} f(\pi(c_2^* c_1)) d\alpha(f) = \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \alpha(\lambda_B(\pi(c_2^* c_1))) = \alpha((\lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c_2^* c_1)) \circ \pi^*) = \\
 &= ((\pi^*)_*(\alpha))(\lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c_2^* c_1)) = \delta(\lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c_2^* c_1)) = \\
 &= \int_{P(\mathcal{C})} p(c_2^* c_1) d\delta(p) = (\theta_{\mathcal{C}}(c_1) | \theta_{\mathcal{C}}(c_2)),
 \end{aligned}$$

and the assertion is proved.

b) $\rho | \Gamma(B)$ is an isometry of $\Gamma(B)$ on $\Gamma_1(B)$. Indeed, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\rho(\theta_B(b_1)) | \rho(\theta_B(b_2))) &= (\theta_B'(b_1) | \theta_B'(b_2)) = \\
 &= \int_{P_1(B)} p(b_2^* b_1) d\beta_1(p) = \int_{P(B)} p(b_2^* b_1) d\beta(p) = (\theta_B(b_1) | \theta_B(b_2)),
 \end{aligned}$$

for any $b_1, b_2 \in B$. The fact that $\rho | \Gamma(B)$ is a surjection on $\Gamma_1(B)$ was remarked before.

c) u_1 is an isometry of $\Gamma(\mathcal{C})$ into $\Gamma_1(B)$. This immediately follows from a) and b).

Let us now consider the mappings $U: \Gamma(B) \rightarrow H$ and $U_1: \Gamma_1(B) \rightarrow H$, given by

$$U(\theta_B(b)) = b x_0, \quad U_1(\theta_B'(b)) = b x_0, \quad b \in B.$$

The first one is, obviously, correctly defined, because $\theta_B(b) = 0 \Rightarrow$

$\theta_p(b) = 0, p \in P(B)$; therefore $b = 0$. Let us now assume that $\theta_B'(b) = 0$. We then have $\theta_p(b) = 0, p \in P_1(B)$, and this implies that

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &= \int_{P_1(B)} \|\theta_p(b)\|_p^2 d\beta_1(p) = \int_{P(B)} \|\theta_p(b)\|_p^2 d\beta(p) = \int_{P(B)} p(b^* b) d\beta(p) = \\
 &= \int_{E(B)} f(b^* b) d\alpha(f) = f_0(b^* b) = \|b x_0\|^2,
 \end{aligned}$$

and this implies that $b x_0 = 0$.

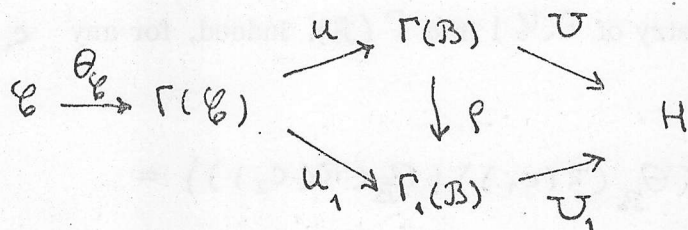
We obviously have $U_1 \circ (\rho | \Gamma(B)) = U$ and

$$\begin{aligned}
 (U_1 \theta_B'(b_1) | U_1 \theta_B'(b_2)) &= (b_1 x_0 | b_2 x_0) = f_0(b_2^* b_1) = \alpha(\lambda_B(b_2^* b_1)) = \int_{E(B)} \lambda_B(b_2^* b_1) d\alpha = \\
 &= \int_{P(B)} p(b_2^* b_1) d\beta(p) = \int_{P_1(B)} p(b_2^* b_1) d\beta_1(p) = (\theta_B'(b_1) | \theta_B'(b_2)), \quad b_1, b_2 \in B,
 \end{aligned}$$

and this shows that U_1 is an isometry of $\Gamma_1(B)$ into H ; it follows that U is an isometry of $\Gamma(B)$ into H .

From the above considerations it follows that we have the commutative

diagram



and, therefore, the equalities

$$(U \circ u \circ \theta_{\mathcal{C}})(c) = \pi(c) x_0, \quad c \in \mathcal{C},$$

$$U_1 \circ u_1 = U \circ u.$$

It follows that $U \circ u$ is an isometry of $\Gamma(\mathcal{C})$ on a dense subset of H .

4. Let P be an arbitrary set, $(H_p)_{p \in P}$ a field of Hilbert spaces, defined on P , and \mathcal{A} a σ -algebra of subsets of P . Let $\Gamma \subset \prod_{p \in P} H_p$ be a vector subspace, having the following property

$$(*) \quad \xi = (\xi_p)_{p \in P} \in \Gamma \Rightarrow$$

\Rightarrow the function $p \mapsto \|\xi_p\|_p^2$ is bounded and \mathcal{A} -measurable.

From the polarization formula it then follows that for any pair $\xi = (\xi_p)_{p \in P}$, $\eta = (\eta_p)_{p \in P} \in \Gamma$, the function $p \mapsto (\xi_p | \eta_p)_p$, $p \in P$, is bounded and \mathcal{A} -measurable.

Let μ be a probability measure, defined on \mathcal{A} . We can define a scalar product, on Γ , by the formula $(\xi | \eta)_{\mu} = \int_P (\xi_p | \eta_p)_p d\mu(p)$, $\xi, \eta \in \Gamma$. Let $\Gamma_0 \subset \prod_{p \in P} H_p$ be the set of all vector fields $\xi = (\xi_p)_{p \in P}$, such that

$$\int_P^* \|\xi_p\|_p^2 d\mu(p) < +\infty.$$

One can easily show that Γ_0 is a vector subspace of $\prod_{p \in P} H_p$ and, also, that the mapping

$$q : \xi \mapsto \left(\int_P^* \|\xi_p\|_p^2 d\mu(p) \right)^{1/2}$$

is a semi-norm on Γ_0 ; we obviously have $\Gamma \subset \Gamma_0$.

Let $\Gamma^2(\mu)$ be the closure of Γ in Γ_0 with respect to the topology determined in Γ_0 by the semi-norm q : it is obvious that $\Gamma^2(\mu)$ is the set of all vector fields

$\xi = (\xi_p)_{p \in P} \in \prod_{p \in P} H_p$, which have the property that there exists a sequence $(\xi_n)_{n \geq 0}$ of vector fields $\xi_n = (\xi_{np})_{p \in P} \in \Gamma$, such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_P^* \|\xi_{np} - \xi_p\|_p^2 d\mu(p) = 0.$$

Proposition 8. For any $\xi \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$ the function $p \mapsto \|\xi_p\|_p^2$ is μ -integrable.

Proof. Let $\xi = (\xi_p)_{p \in P} \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$ and $\xi_n = (\xi_{np})_{p \in P}$, $n \geq 0$, be a sequence of vector fields from Γ , such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_P^* \|\xi_{np} - \xi_p\|_p^2 d\mu(p) = 0.$$

It follows that there exists a subsequence of the sequence $(\xi_n)_{n \geq 0}$, for which we shall maintain the same notation, such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\xi_{np} - \xi_p\|_p = 0, \quad \mu\text{-a.e.}$$

It follows that we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \xi_{np} = \xi_p, \quad \mu\text{-a.e.},$$

and we consequently have the following equalities

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\xi_{np}\|_p = \|\xi_p\|_p, \quad \mu\text{-a.e.},$$

$$\|\xi_{mp} - \xi_p\|_p = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\xi_{mp} - \xi_{np}\|_p, \quad \mu\text{-a.e.}$$

It follows that the functions $p \mapsto \|\xi_p\|_p$ and $p \mapsto \|\xi_{mp} - \xi_p\|_p$ are \mathcal{A} -measurable, for any $m \in \mathbb{N}$, after having modified them on a μ -null set from \mathcal{A} . We can therefore write the equality

$$g(\xi_m - \xi) = \left(\int_P \|\xi_{mp} - \xi_p\|_p^2 d\mu(p) \right)^{1/2},$$

whereas from the inequality

$$|\|\xi_{mp}\|_p - \|\xi_p\|_p| \leq \|\xi_{mp} - \xi_p\|_p$$

it immediately follows that

$$\int_P |\|\xi_{mp}\|_p - \|\xi_p\|_p|^2 d\mu(p) \leq \int_P \|\xi_{mp} - \xi_p\|_p^2 d\mu(p).$$

Hence we immediately infer that

$$\int_P \|\xi_p\|_p^2 d\mu(p) < +\infty,$$

and the proposition is proved.

By the formula

$$(\xi, \eta) \mapsto (\xi | \eta) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \int_P (\xi_p | \eta_p)_p d\mu(p), \quad \xi, \eta \in \Gamma^2(\mu),$$

we correctly define a scalar product on $\Gamma^2(\mu)$, which is thus endowed with a structure of a pre-hilbertian space; let $\tilde{\Gamma}^2(\mu)$ be the associated separated pre-hilbertian space: it can be identified with set of all classes of vector fields, which belong to $\tilde{\Gamma}^2(\mu)$, modulo coincidence μ -a.e.

Proposition 9. The spaces $\Gamma^2(\mu)$ and $\tilde{\Gamma}^2(\mu)$ are complete.

Proof. It will be sufficient to prove that $\Gamma^2(\mu)$ is complete. Let $(\xi_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be a fundamental sequence of vector fields $\xi_n = (\xi_{np})_{p \in P} \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$. By choosing a subsequence, we can assume that

$$\int_P \|\xi_{n+1,p} - \xi_{n,p}\|_p^2 d\mu(p) < \frac{1}{2^{2n}}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N},$$

and, therefore, from the Schwarz inequality, we get

$$\int_P \| \xi_{n+1,p} - \xi_{n,p} \|_p d\mu(p) < \frac{1}{2^n}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

The Beppo Levi theorem now implies that the sequence $(\xi_{n,p})_{n \geq 0}$ is a fundamental sequence in H_p , for almost any $p \in P$ (with respect to the measure μ). Let us define $\xi_p = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \xi_{n,p}$, for any $p \in P$ at which the sequence $(\xi_{n,p})_{n \geq 0}$ converges in the complete space H_p , and arbitrarily otherwise.

We then have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_P \| \xi_{n,p} - \xi_p \|_p^2 d\mu(p) = 0,$$

and, therefore, $\xi = (\xi_p)_{p \in P} \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \xi_n = \xi$, in the space $\Gamma^2(\mu)$. The proposition is proved.

We shall say that the vector fields from $\Gamma^2(\mu)$ are strongly square integrable vector fields. We shall say that the space $\Gamma^2(\mu)$ is the $L^2(\mu)$ -completion of the space Γ whereas the Hilbert space $\tilde{\Gamma}^2(\mu)$ will be called the direct Hilbert integral of the field $(H_p)_{p \in P}$ with respect to the space Γ and the measure μ ; we shall also write $\int_P^\oplus H_p d\mu(p)$, instead of $\tilde{\Gamma}^2(\mu)$, if the omission of the symbol Γ is not creating the danger of confusion.

We shall also say that a vector field $\xi = (\xi_p)_{p \in P}$ is a weakly square integrable vector field if the following conditions are satisfied.

- a) there exists a μ -summable function $\varphi : P \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, such that $\|\xi_p\|_p^2 \leq \varphi(p)$, μ -a.e. on P .
- b) for any $\eta \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$ the function $p \mapsto (\xi_p | \eta_p)_{p \in P}$, is μ -measurable.

From the Schwarz inequality it immediately follows that we have

$$|(\xi_p | \eta_p)_p| \leq \varphi(p)^{1/2} \|\eta_p\|_p, \quad \mu\text{-a.e.},$$

for any weakly square integrable vector field ξ , which satisfies the preceding conditions, and for any strongly square integrable vector field $\eta = (\eta_p)_{p \in P} \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$. We, therefore, infer that the function $p \mapsto (\xi_p | \eta_p)_p$, $p \in P$, is μ -integrable.

We shall say that weakly square integrable vector fields ξ', ξ'' are weakly equivalent if

$$\int_P (\xi'_p | \eta_p)_p d\mu(p) = \int_P (\xi''_p | \eta_p)_p d\mu(p),$$

for any $\eta = (\eta_p)_{p \in P} \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$.

Proposition 10. Any weakly square integrable vector field is weakly equivalent to a strongly square integrable vector field, which is unique up to a strong equivalence.

Proof. The uniqueness is an immediate consequence of the fact that if $\xi \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$, and if

$$\int_P (\xi_p | \eta_p)_p d\mu(p) = 0,$$

for any $\eta \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$, then $\xi_p = 0$, μ -a. e., on P .

Let us now consider a weakly square integrable vector field $\xi = (\xi_p)_{p \in P} \in \Pi H$.

Let $\varphi : P \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a μ -integrable function, such that

$$\|\xi_p\|_p^2 \leq \varphi(p), \quad \mu\text{-a. e. on } P.$$

We shall define a linear mapping $\ell : \Gamma^2(\mu) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by the formula

$$\ell(\eta) = \int_P (\eta_p | \xi_p)_p d\mu(p), \quad \eta = (\eta_p)_{p \in P} \in \Gamma^2(\mu).$$

From the Schwarz inequality we infer that

$$|\ell(\eta)| \leq \int_P |(\eta_p | \xi_p)_p| d\mu(p) \leq \left(\int_P \varphi d\mu \right)^{1/2} \left(\int_P \|\eta_p\|_p^2 d\mu(p) \right)^{1/2},$$

and, therefore, since $\Gamma^2(\mu)$ is complete, with the theorem of F. Riesz it follows that there exists a vector field $\xi' = (\xi'_p)_{p \in P} \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$, which is strongly square integrable and such that

$$\ell(\eta) = (\eta | \xi'), \quad \eta \in \Gamma^2(\mu).$$

It follows that ξ' is weakly equivalent to ξ , and the proposition is proved.

Remark. Examples show that, in general, $\Gamma^2(\mu)$ is not a $\mathcal{L}^\infty(\mu)$ -module. If Γ is a $\mathcal{L}^\infty(\mu)$ -module, then $\Gamma^2(\mu)$ has the same property, but the converse is not necessarily true.

Proposition 11. The vector space $\Gamma^2(\mu)$ is a $\mathcal{L}^\infty(\mu)$ -module if, and only if, the following property holds

(*) For any weakly square integrable vector field ξ there exists a strongly square integrable vector field ξ' , such that, for any $\eta \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$, the equality

$$(\xi_p - \xi'_p | \eta_p)_p = 0, \quad \mu\text{-a. e. on } P,$$

holds.

Proof. Indeed, let us assume that $\Gamma^2(\mu)$ is a $\mathcal{L}^\infty(\mu)$ -module. Let $\xi = (\xi_p)_{p \in P} \in \Pi H_p$ be a weakly square integrable vector field; let $\xi' = (\xi'_p)_{p \in P} \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$ be the strongly square integrable vector field which corresponds to ξ in virtue of proposition 10.

We then have

$$(1) \quad \int_P (\xi_p - \xi'_p | \eta_p)_p d\mu(p) = 0,$$

for any $\eta = (\eta_p)_{p \in P} \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$. By fixing now $\eta \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$, we have $z\eta = (z(p)\eta_p)_{p \in P} \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$.

$\in \Gamma^2(\mu)$, for any $z \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\mu)$; hence, from (1), we get

$$(2) \quad \int_P \overline{z(p)} (\xi_p - \xi'_p | \eta_p)_p d\mu(p) = 0,$$

for any $z \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\mu)$; it follows that we have

$$(\xi_p - \xi'_p | \eta_p)_p = 0, \quad \mu\text{-a.e. on } P,$$

for any $\eta \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$.

Conversely, let us assume that property (*) holds. It will be sufficient to prove that for any $A \in \mathcal{A}$ and any $\xi = (\xi_p)_{p \in P} \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$, we have $\chi_A \xi = (\chi_A(p) \xi_p)_{p \in P} \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$, where χ_A is the characteristic function of the set A . Obviously, $\chi_A \xi$ is a weakly square integrable vector field.

In virtue of proposition 10, there exists a strongly square integrable vector field $\xi' = (\xi'_p)_{p \in P}$, such that

$$(\chi_A(p) \xi_p | \eta_p)_p = (\xi'_p | \eta_p)_p, \quad \mu\text{-a.e. on } P, \quad \text{for any } \eta \in \Gamma^2(\mu).$$

By making successively $\eta = \xi$ and $\eta = \xi'$, we infer that

$$\|\chi_A(p) \xi_p - \xi'_p\|_p^2 = \chi_A(p) (\chi_A(p) \xi_p - \xi'_p | \xi_p)_p - (\chi_A(p) \xi_p - \xi'_p | \xi'_p)_p = 0, \\ \mu\text{-a.e. on } P;$$

it follows that $\chi_A \xi \in \Gamma^2(\mu)$, and the proposition is proved.

5. By applying the construction we have just made to the spaces $(P(\mathcal{C}), A_0(P(\mathcal{C})), \mathcal{F}, \Gamma(\mathcal{C}))$, $(P(\mathcal{B}), A_0(P(\mathcal{B})), \beta, \Gamma(\mathcal{B}))$ and $(P_1(\mathcal{B}), A_0(P_1(\mathcal{B})), \beta_1, \Gamma_1(\mathcal{B}))$, we respectively obtain the complete pre-hilbertian spaces $\Gamma^2(\mathcal{C})$, $\Gamma^2(\beta)$ and $\Gamma^2(\beta_1)$, and the Hilbert spaces $\tilde{\Gamma}^2(\mathcal{C})$, $\tilde{\Gamma}^2(\beta)$ and $\tilde{\Gamma}^2(\beta_1)$. From what we have proved at § 3, we immediately infer that we have the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & \tilde{u} & \tilde{\Gamma}^2(\beta) & \tilde{v} \\ & & \nearrow & \downarrow \tilde{\rho} & \searrow \\ \mathcal{C} & \xrightarrow{\tilde{\theta}_{\mathcal{C}}} & \tilde{\Gamma}^2(\mathcal{C}) & & H \\ & & \searrow \tilde{u}_1 & \tilde{\Gamma}^2(\beta_1) & \nearrow \tilde{v}_1 \end{array}$$

in which \tilde{u} , \tilde{u}_1 , \tilde{v} , \tilde{v}_1 and $\tilde{\rho}$ are isomorphisms of Hilbert spaces, and we have the following inequalities

$$(\tilde{v} \circ \tilde{u} \circ \tilde{\theta}_{\mathcal{C}})(c) = \pi(c) x_0, \quad c \in \mathcal{C}$$

(*)

$$\tilde{v}_1 \circ \tilde{u}_1 = \tilde{v} \circ \tilde{u}.$$

We obviously have $\tilde{U} = V^{-1}$, where V is the isomorphism from ([13], theorem 3.1).

Proposition 12. $\Gamma^2(\mathcal{E})$ is a $\mathcal{L}^{\infty}(\mathcal{E})$ -module.

Proof. It will be sufficient to prove that for any function $t \in \mathcal{L}^{\infty}(\mathcal{E})$ and any $c \in \mathcal{C}$, we have

$$(t(p) \theta_p(c))_{p \in P(\mathcal{C})} \in \Gamma^2(\mathcal{E}).$$

Indeed, since the function

$$\varphi : p \mapsto \|\theta_p(c_0) - t(p) \theta_p(c)\|_p^2, \quad p \in P(\mathcal{C}),$$

where $c_0 \in \mathcal{C}$ is an arbitrary element, is \mathcal{E} -measurable, by taking into account the fact that we have

$$(\varphi \circ \pi^*)(z) = \|\theta_z(\pi(c_0)) - t(\pi^*(z)) \theta_z(\pi(c))\|_z^2,$$

for any $z \in P_1(\mathcal{B})$, we infer that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{P(\mathcal{C})} \|\theta_p(c_0) - t(p) \theta_p(c)\|_p^2 d\mathcal{E}(p) &= \int_{P_1(\mathcal{B})} \|\theta_p(\pi(c_0)) - t(\pi^*(p)) \theta_p(\pi(c))\|_p^2 d\beta_1(p) = \\ &= \int_{P(\mathcal{B})} \|\theta_p(\pi(c_0)) - (t \circ \pi^*)(p) \theta_p(\pi(c))\|_p^2 d\beta(p), \end{aligned}$$

where the function $t \circ \pi^*$ has been extended arbitrarily on $P_0(\mathcal{B})$. Since $\Gamma^2(\mathcal{B})$ is a $\mathcal{L}^{\infty}(\mathcal{B})$ -module (see [16], theorem 1.1 and proposition 11 above), we infer that

$$(t \circ \pi^*) \theta_{\mathcal{B}}(\pi(c)) \in \Gamma^2(\mathcal{B}).$$

From the fact that the representation π is cyclic, we infer that there exists a sequence $(c_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of elements of \mathcal{C} , such that

$$(2) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{P(\mathcal{B})} \|\theta_p(\pi(c_n)) - (t \circ \pi^*)(p) \theta_p(\pi(c))\|_p^2 d\beta(p) = 0.$$

From formulas (1) and (2) it follows that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{P(\mathcal{C})} \|\theta_p(c_n) - t(p) \theta_p(c)\|_p^2 d\mathcal{E}(p) = 0,$$

and, therefore, $t \theta_{\mathcal{C}}(c) \in \Gamma^2(\mathcal{E})$. The proposition is proved.

Corollary. The system $\{P(\mathcal{C}), A_0(P(\mathcal{C})), \mathcal{E}, (H_p)_{p \in P(\mathcal{C})}, \Gamma^2(\mathcal{E})\}$ is an integrable field of Hilbert spaces (in the sense of W. Wils).

Proof. It is an immediate consequence of the preceding results and of ([16], theorem 1.2).

We resume the results already obtained in the following theorem, which is a generalization of theorem 3.1. from [13].

Theorem 1. Let \mathcal{C} be an arbitrary C^* -algebra. Then there exist

- 1^o. A measurable space (P, A_0) , where P is a set and A_0 is a σ -algebra of subsets of P ;
- 2^o. A field $(H_p)_{p \in P}$ of Hilbert spaces;
- 3^o. A vector subspace $\Gamma \subset \prod_{p \in P} H_p$, consisting of vector fields $\xi = (\xi_p)_{p \in P}$, which have the property that the function $p \mapsto \|\xi_p\|$, $p \in P$, is bounded and A_0 -measurable, for any $\xi \in \Gamma$;
- 4^o. A field $(\pi_p)_{p \in P}$ of non-degenerate irreducible representations $\pi_p: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(H_p)$, $p \in P$, such that: for any cyclic representation $\pi: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(H)$ there exists a probability measure γ , defined on A_0 , and having the following properties:

a) the $L^2(\gamma)$ -completion $\Gamma^2(\gamma)$ of Γ determines an integrable field of Hilbert spaces (in the sense of W. Wils);

b) there exists an isometric isomorphism $V: H \rightarrow \int_P H_p d\gamma(p)$, such that if $x \in H$ and $V(x)$ is represented by the strongly square integrable vector field $(\xi_p)_{p \in P}$, then, for any $c \in \mathcal{C}$, the vector $V(\pi(c)x)$ is represented by the strongly square integrable vector field $(\pi_p(c)\xi_p)_{p \in P}$, and the equality

$$\|\pi(c)x\|^2 = \int_P \|\pi_p(c)\xi_p\|_p^2 d\gamma(p)$$

holds.

Proof. We shall take $P = P(\mathcal{C})$, $A_0 = A_0(P(\mathcal{C}))$, the Hilbert spaces H_p , $p \in P$, being those we have considered above; $\Gamma = \Gamma(\mathcal{C})$, whereas the measure γ is that given by proposition 7. The property a) is a consequence of the corollary to proposition 12, whereas property b) is obtained by taking $V = (\tilde{U} \circ \tilde{u})^{-1}$ and by taking into account formulas (*) from § 5. The theorem is proved.

6. Let $g_0 \in E(\mathcal{C})$ and μ be a probability Radon measure on $E_0(\mathcal{C})$, which represents g_0 , i.e., $g_0 = b(\mu)$. The following property is a variant to proposition 3.

Proposition 13. There exists a Baire measurable convex set $Q \subset E_0(\mathcal{C})$, which is contained in $E(\mathcal{C})$ and such that $g_0 \in Q$ and $\mu(Q) = 1$.

Proof. Let $(u_j)_{j \in J}$ be an approximate unit of the C^* -algebra \mathcal{C} . We have

$$1 = \|g_0\| = \lim_j g_0(u_j),$$

and, therefore, there exists a sequence $(u_{j_n})_{n \geq 1}$, such that $u_{j_n} \leq u_{j_{n+1}}$ and $g_0(u_{j_n}) \uparrow 1$. It follows that we have $\lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(u_{j_n}) \leq \lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(u_{j_{n+1}})$; let $\psi = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(u_{j_n})$. Then $0 \leq \psi \leq 1$ and ψ is a Baire measurable, affine function, defined on $E_0(\mathcal{C})$. We have $\psi(g_0) = 1$ and

$$\int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} \psi d\mu = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} \lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(u_{j_n}) d\mu = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_0(u_{j_n}) = 1.$$

Let $\mathcal{Q} = \{f \in E_0(\mathcal{C}) ; \psi(f) = 1\}$. We obviously have that $g_0 \in \mathcal{Q}$, \mathcal{Q} is a Baire measurable, convex set and $\mu(\mathcal{Q}) = 1$. If $f \in \mathcal{Q}$, then

$$1 \geq \|f\| = \lim_j f(u_j) \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(u_{j_n}) = \psi(f) = 1,$$

and this shows that $\|f\| = 1$. The proposition is proved.

Corollary. The set $E(\mathcal{C})$ is μ -measurable and $\mu(E(\mathcal{C})) = 1$.

In particular, let us consider the Gelfand-Naimark-Segal representation $\pi_{g_0} : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(H_{g_0})$, associated to $g_0 \in E(\mathcal{C})$, in the Hilbert space H_{g_0} . Let $\xi_0 \in H_{g_0}$ be the corresponding cyclic vector and denote by \mathcal{B} the C^* -algebra generated in $\mathcal{L}(H_{g_0})$ by $\pi_{g_0}(\mathcal{C})$ and by a maximal Abelian von Neumann algebra $\mathcal{Z} \subset (\pi_{g_0}(\mathcal{C}))'$. Let $f_0 \in {}^0E(\mathcal{B})$ be the state given by

$$f_0(b) = (b\xi_0 | \xi_0), \quad b \in \mathcal{B}.$$

We obviously have $g_0 = f_0 \circ \pi_{g_0} = \pi_{g_0}^*(f_0)$. Let α be the central measure on $E(\mathcal{B})$, associated to f_0 .

In virtue of proposition 1, the direct image $(\pi_{g_0}^*)_*(\alpha)$ is an orthogonal probability Radon measure on $E_0(\mathcal{C})$, which represents g_0 .

If the approximate unit $\{u_i\}_{i \in I}$ of the C^* -algebra \mathcal{C} , used in the proof of proposition 3, coincides with the approximate unit used in the proof of proposition 13, and if the subsequences $\{u_{i_n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $\{u_{j_n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ coincide too, then, from the equality

$$\lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c) \circ \pi_{g_0}^* = \lambda_{\mathcal{B}}(\pi_{g_0}(c)), \quad c \in \mathcal{C},$$

we immediately infer that we have $\psi \circ \pi^* = \varphi$, and, therefore, $\mathcal{Q}_1 = (\pi^*)^{-1}(\mathcal{Q})$.

Obviously, $E(\mathcal{C})$ is a $(\pi_{g_0}^*)_*(\alpha)$ -measurable set, and we have

$$[(\pi_{g_0}^*)_*(\alpha)](E(\mathcal{C})) = 1.$$

Proposition 14. a) Any bounded, continuous function $t : E(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is $(\pi_{g_0}^*)_*(\alpha)$ -measurable;

b) For any bounded, continuous function $t : E(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ the function $t|_{P(\mathcal{C})}$ is γ -measurable and we have

$$\int_{E(\mathcal{C})} t d((\pi_{g_0}^*)_*(\alpha)) = \int_{P(\mathcal{C})} t d\gamma.$$

Proof. a) Since the measure α is regular, there exists an increasing sequence $(K_n)_{n \geq 0}$ of compact sets $K_n \subset E(\mathcal{C})$, such that $[(\pi_{g_0}^*)_* (\alpha)](K_n) \uparrow 1$. Let $K = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} K_n$ and $t : E_0(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be the function defined by

$$t_n(f) = \begin{cases} t(f), & f \in K_n \\ 0, & f \in E_0(\mathcal{C}) \setminus K_n. \end{cases}$$

The functions t_n are Borel measurable and we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = t \chi_K.$$

It follows that t is $(\pi_{g_0}^*)_* (\alpha)$ -measurable, because $[(\pi_{g_0}^*)_* (\alpha)](E(\mathcal{C}) \setminus K) = 0$.

b) Since the function t is $(\pi_{g_0}^*)_* (\alpha)$ -measurable, whereas the set $E(\mathcal{C})$ is $(\pi_{g_0}^*)_* (\alpha)$ -measurable, it follows that the left hand integral the equality makes sense, and we have

$$\int_{E(\mathcal{C})} t d[(\pi_{g_0}^*)_* (\alpha)] = \int_Q t d[(\pi_{g_0}^*)_* (\alpha)],$$

as a consequence of proposition 13. Since the set $Q \subset E_0(\mathcal{C})$ is Baire measurable, it follows that there exists an increasing sequence of compact sets $L_n \subset Q, n \in \mathbb{N}$, which are Baire measurable, and such that $[(\pi_{g_0}^*)_* (\alpha)](L_n) \uparrow 1$. Since the functions $t|_{L_n}, n \in \mathbb{N}$, are continuous, the functions $\Delta_n : E_0(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, n \in \mathbb{N}$, given by

$$\Delta_n(f) = \begin{cases} t(f), & f \in L_n \\ 0, & f \in E_0(\mathcal{C}) \setminus L_n \end{cases}$$

are Baire measurable and we have

$$\int_{P(\mathcal{C})} \Delta_n d\sigma = \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} \Delta_n d[(\pi_{g_0}^*)_* (\alpha)] = \int_{E(\mathcal{C})} \Delta_n d[(\pi_{g_0}^*)_* (\alpha)],$$

where we have taken into account proposition 6 and the corollary to proposition 13.

By denoting $L = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} L_n$, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Delta_n = t \chi_L,$$

and $Q \setminus L$ is a Baire measurable set, for which we have $[(\pi_{g_0}^*)_* (\alpha)](Q \setminus L) = 0$. It follows that

$$\gamma((Q \setminus L) \cap P(\mathcal{C})) = 0,$$

and, therefore, we have

$$\int_{E(\mathcal{C})} t d[(\pi_{g_0}^*)_* (\alpha)] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} \Delta_n d[(\pi_{g_0}^*)_* (\alpha)] =$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{P(\mathcal{C})} \Delta_n d\sigma = \int_{P(\mathcal{C})} t \chi_L d\sigma = \int_{P(\mathcal{C})} t d\sigma,$$

and the proposition is proved.

Proposition 15. For any bounded, continuous, affine function $t: E(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

we have

$$t(g_0) = \int_{E(\mathcal{C})} t \, d[(\pi_{g_0}^*)_*(\alpha)].$$

Proof. From the fact that $g_0 \in E(\mathcal{C})$, and this implies that t is defined and continuous at g_0 , it follows that for any $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a finite subset $\{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n\} \subset \mathcal{C}$, such that $f \in E(\mathcal{C})$, and $|f(c_i) - g_0(c_i)| < 1, i=1, 2, \dots, n$, imply

$$|t(f) - t(g_0)| < \varepsilon.$$

Let $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_m\}$ be a finite partition of $E_0(\mathcal{C})$, consisting of Borel measurable subsets $A_i \subset E_0(\mathcal{C})$, such that

$$f', f'' \in A_i \Rightarrow |f'(c_j) - f''(c_j)| < 1, j=1, 2, \dots, n,$$

for any $i=1, 2, \dots, m$. If necessary, we can refine the partition, such that, with an arbitrary selection of the points $f_i \in A_i \cap Q$, $i=1, 2, \dots, m$, we have

$$\left| \int_{E(\mathcal{C})} t \, d[(\pi_{g_0}^*)_*(\alpha)] - \sum_{i=1}^m [(\pi_{g_0}^*)_*(\alpha)](A_i) t(f_i) \right| < \varepsilon.$$

Let ν be the Radon measure on $E_0(\mathcal{C})$, given by

$$\nu = \sum_{i=1}^m [(\pi_{g_0}^*)_*(\alpha)](A_i) \varepsilon_{f_i};$$

it is obvious that the bary center $b(\nu)$ of ν is the point $b(\nu) = \sum_{i=1}^m [(\pi_{g_0}^*)_*(\alpha)](A_i) f_i \in E_0(\mathcal{C})$, and, therefore,

$$|b(\nu)(c_j) - g_0(c_j)| = \left| \sum_{i=1}^m [(\pi_{g_0}^*)_*(\alpha)](A_i) f_i(c_j) - \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} \lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c_j) \, d[(\pi_{g_0}^*)_*(\alpha)] \right| =$$

$$= \left| \sum_{i=1}^m [(\pi_{g_0}^*)_*(\alpha)](A_i) f_i(c_j) - \sum_{i=1}^m \int_{A_i} \lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c_j) \, d[(\pi_{g_0}^*)_*(\alpha)] \right| =$$

$$= \left| \sum_{i=1}^m \int_{A_i} (f_i(c_j) - f(c_j)) \, d[(\pi_{g_0}^*)_*(\alpha)](f) \right| \leq$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^m \int_{A_i} |f_i(c_j) - f(c_j)| \, d[(\pi_{g_0}^*)_*(\alpha)](f) < 1,$$

for any $j=1, 2, \dots, n$; consequently, we have

$$|t(b(\nu)) - t(g_0)| < \varepsilon.$$

Since the function t is affine, we have

$$t(b(\nu)) = \sum_{i=1}^m [(\pi_{g_0}^*)_*(\alpha)](A_i) t(f_i)$$

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and, therefore,

$$\left| \int_{E(\mathcal{C})} t d[(\pi_{g_0}^*)_*(\alpha)] - t(g_0) \right| < 2\varepsilon.$$

The proposition is proved.

Corollary. For any bounded, affine function $t : E_0(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, whose restriction to $E(\mathcal{C})$ is continuous, we have

$$t(g_0) = \int_{P(\mathcal{C})} t d\sigma.$$

Proof. It is an immediate consequence of propositions 14 and 15.

7. Let us now consider, for any $f \in E_0(\mathcal{C})$, the associated Hilbert space H_f , the corresponding representation $\pi_f : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(H_f)$, the associated cyclic vector $\xi_f \in H_f$, such that $\|\xi_f\|^2 = \|f\|$, and the canonical mapping $\theta_f : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow H_f$, which are all obtained by the Gelfand-Naimark-Segal construction. Let $\theta_0 : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \prod_{f \in E(\mathcal{C})} H_f$ be the linear mapping given by

$$\theta_0(c) = (\theta_f(c))_{f \in E_0(\mathcal{C})}, \quad c \in \mathcal{C},$$

and $\Gamma_0(\mathcal{C}) \subset \prod_{f \in E_0(\mathcal{C})} H_f$, the vector subspace in θ_0 . If we consider in $E_0(\mathcal{C})$ the σ -algebra A of all Baire measurable subsets of $E_0(\mathcal{C})$, it is obvious that condition (*) from § 4 is satisfied. Let $\tilde{\Gamma}_\mu^2(\mathcal{C})$ be the vector space of all strongly square integrable vector fields, with respect to a probability regular Borel measure μ , which represents $f_0 \in E(\mathcal{C})$. We have the following generalization of a theorem of E. C. Effros (see [4], th. 4 ; [11], th. 8).

Proposition 16. The system $\{(H_f)_{f \in E_0(\mathcal{C})}; \tilde{\Gamma}_\mu^2(\mathcal{C})\}$ is an integrable field of Hilbert spaces (in the sense of W. Wils) if, and only if, the measure μ is orthogonal.

Proof. We shall define a mapping

$$u : \Gamma_0(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow H_{f_0}.$$

by the formula $u(\theta_0(c)) = \theta_{f_0}(c)$, $c \in \mathcal{C}$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\theta_{f_0}(c)\|_{f_0}^2 &= f_0(c^*c) = \lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c^*c)(f_0) = \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} \lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c^*c)(f) d\mu(f) = \\ &= \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} f(c^*c) d\mu(f) = \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} \|\theta_f(c)\|_f^2 d\mu(f) = \|\theta_0(c)\|^2, \end{aligned}$$

for any $c \in \mathcal{C}$ (the norm in $\Gamma_0(\mathcal{C})$ is calculated as in § 4). It follows that u induces an isometric isomorphism

$$\tilde{u} : \tilde{\Gamma}_\mu^2(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow H_{f_0}$$

of Hilbert spaces.

Let us assume that $\{(H_f)_{f \in E_0(\mathcal{C})}; \Gamma_\mu^2(\mathcal{C})\}$ is an integrable field of Hilbert spaces, in the sense of W. Wils (see [16], def. 1.1, and th. 1.2.). Then, for any Baire measurable function $z: E_0(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ the multiplication operator $T_z: \Gamma_\mu^2(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \Gamma_\mu^2(\mathcal{C})$ is defined. It induces a continuous, linear operator $\tilde{T}_z \in \mathcal{L}(\tilde{\Gamma}_\mu^2(\mathcal{C}))$. Let

$S_z \in \mathcal{L}(H_{f_0})$ be the operator defined by

$$S_z = \tilde{U} \tilde{T}_z \tilde{U}^{-1}.$$

For any $c_0, c \in \mathcal{C}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} S_z \pi_{f_0}(c) \theta_{f_0}(c_0) &= (\tilde{U} \tilde{T}_z \tilde{U}^{-1}) \pi_{f_0}(c) \theta_{f_0}(c_0) = (\tilde{U} \tilde{T}_z \tilde{U}^{-1}) \theta_{f_0}(c c_0) = \\ &= \tilde{U} [(z(f) \theta_f(c c_0))_{f \in E_0(\mathcal{C})}]^\sim = \tilde{U} [(\pi_f(c) z(f) \theta_f(c_0))_{f \in E_0(\mathcal{C})}]^\sim = \\ &= \pi_{f_0}(c) (\tilde{U} \tilde{T}_z \tilde{U}^{-1}) (\theta_{f_0}(c_0)) = \pi_{f_0}(c) S_z \theta_{f_0}(c_0), \end{aligned}$$

and this implies that

$$S_z \pi_{f_0}(c) = \pi_{f_0}(c) S_z, \quad c \in \mathcal{C};$$

consequently, we have $S_z \in (\pi_{f_0}(\mathcal{C}))'$. On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (S_z \theta_{f_0}(c_1) | \theta_{f_0}(c_2)) &= \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} z(f) (\theta_f(c_1) | \theta_f(c_2))_f d\mu(f) = \\ &= \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} z(f) f(c_2^* c_1) d\mu(f) = (K_\mu(z) \theta_{f_0}(c_1) | \theta_{f_0}(c_2)), \end{aligned}$$

for any $c_1, c_2 \in \mathcal{C}$; this shows that we have $S_z = K_\mu(z)$, $z \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\mu)$. Since the mapping $z \mapsto S_z$ obviously is a $*$ -homomorphism of $\mathcal{L}^\infty(\mu)$ into $\mathcal{L}(H_{f_0})$, from Tomita's theorem we infer that μ is orthogonal (see [11], th. 7). Conversely, if μ is orthogonal, then the system $\{(H_f)_{f \in E_0(\mathcal{C})}; \Gamma_\mu^2(\mathcal{C})\}$ is an integrable field of Hilbert spaces (in the sense of W. Wils). Indeed, it will be sufficient to prove that for any $\theta_0(c) = (\theta_f(c))_{f \in E_0(\mathcal{C})} \in \Gamma_0^2(\mathcal{C})$, where $c \in \mathcal{C}$, any $z \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\mu)$ and any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a $c \in \mathcal{C}$, such that we have

$$\|\theta_0(c) - (z(f) \theta_f(c))_{f \in E_0(\mathcal{C})}\| < \varepsilon.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\theta_0(c) - (z(f) \theta_f(c))_{f \in E_0(\mathcal{C})}\|^2 &= \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} \|\theta_f(c) - z(f) \theta_f(c)\|_f^2 d\mu(f) = \\ &= \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} \|\theta_f(c)\|_f^2 d\mu(f) - \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} z(f) (\theta_f(c) | \theta_f(c))_f d\mu(f) - \\ &- \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} \overline{z(f)} (\theta_f(c) | \theta_f(c))_f d\mu(f) + \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} |z(f)|^2 \|\theta_f(c)\|_f^2 d\mu(f) + \\ &+ (K_{12}^\mu \theta_{f_0}(c) | \theta_{f_0}(c)). \end{aligned}$$

By taking into account the fact that the measure μ is orthogonal, with Tomita's theorem we infer that

$$K_{12}^{\mu} = K_{\mathcal{Z}}^{\mu} (K_{\mathcal{Z}}^{\mu})^* = (K_{\mathcal{Z}}^{\mu})^* K_{\mathcal{Z}}^{\mu},$$

and, therefore, from the preceding equality, it follows that

$$\|\theta_0(c) - (z(f)\theta_f(c))_{f \in E_0(\mathcal{C})}\| = \|\theta_{f_0}(c) - K_{\mathcal{Z}}^{\mu} \theta_{f_0}(c)\|;$$

since $K_{\mathcal{Z}}^{\mu} \theta_{f_0}(c) \in H_{f_0}$, from the fact that $\theta_{f_0}(\mathcal{C})$ is a dense subset of H_{f_0} , it follows that there exists $c \in \mathcal{C}$, such that

$$\|\theta_{f_0}(c) - (z(f)\theta_f(c))_{f \in E_0(\mathcal{C})}\| < \varepsilon,$$

and, therefore, $(z(f)\theta_f(c))_{f \in E_0(\mathcal{C})} \in \Gamma_{\mu}^2(\mathcal{C})$. The proposition is proved.

Corollary. If μ is an orthogonal, regular, Borel probability measure on $E_0(\mathcal{C})$, then $A_0(\overline{E_0(\mathcal{C})})$ is a dense vector subspace of $L^2(\mu)$.

Proof. Here $A_0(E_0(\mathcal{C}))$ denotes the vector subspace of $C(E_0(\mathcal{C}))$, consisting of all affine, continuous, complex functions, defined on $E_0(\mathcal{C})$ and vanishing at 0. It is obvious that for any $c \in \mathcal{C}$ and $\varphi \in L^{\infty}(\mu)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} |\lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c) - \varphi|^2 d\mu &= \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} |\lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c)|^2 d\mu - \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} \lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c) \bar{\varphi} d\mu - \\ &- \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} \varphi \overline{\lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c)} d\mu + \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} |\varphi|^2 d\mu \leq \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} \lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c^*c) d\mu - \\ &- \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} \lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c) \bar{\varphi} d\mu - \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} \varphi \overline{\lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c)} d\mu + \int_{E_0(\mathcal{C})} |\varphi|^2 d\mu = \\ &= f_0(c^*c) - ((K_{\varphi}^{\mu})^* \theta_{f_0}(c) | \xi_{f_0}) - (K_{\varphi}^{\mu} \xi_{f_0} | \theta_{f_0}(c)) + \\ &+ (K_{\varphi}^{\mu} \xi_{f_0} | \xi_{f_0}) = \|\theta_{f_0}(c)\|^2 - (\theta_{f_0}(c) | K_{\varphi}^{\mu} \xi_{f_0}) - \\ &- (K_{\varphi}^{\mu} \xi_{f_0} | \theta_{f_0}(c)) + \|K_{\varphi}^{\mu} \xi_{f_0}\|^2 = \|\theta_{f_0}(c) - K_{\varphi}^{\mu} \xi_{f_0}\|^2, \end{aligned}$$

where we have used the Schwarz inequality under the form

$$|\lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c)|^2(f) = |f(c)|^2 \leq f(c^*c) \|f\| \leq f(c^*c) = \lambda_{\mathcal{C}}(c^*c)(f),$$

for any $f \in E_0(\mathcal{C})$, and the fact that the measure μ is orthogonal. The corollary is an immediate consequence of the preceding inequality.

Remark. The preceding corollary is a generalization, to the possibly nonseparable case, of the corollary to theorem 8 from [11].

8. In this section, as an application of theorem 1, we shall give a generalization of the following well-known theorem of P. Lévy.

Let $(F_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be a sequence of distribution functions and $(\varphi_n)_{n \geq 0}$ the corresponding sequence of characteristic functions. If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi_n(\lambda) = \varphi(\lambda)$, for any $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, where φ is the characteristic function of the distribution function F , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}} f dF_n = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f dF,$$

for any bounded, continuous function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ (see [7], § 12.2).

The preceding theorem belongs to Harmonic Analysis, since the characteristic functions φ_n are the Stieltjes-Fourier transforms of the Radon measures μ_n , which correspond to the distribution functions F_n , $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Several mathematicians have successively extended this theorem into the frame of Abstract Harmonic Analysis. Thus, U. Grenander, in [5], extended this theorem to the case of locally compact groups satisfying the second countability axiom; R. M. Loynes, in [8], to the case of locally compact groups which satisfy the first countability axiom; P. Martin - Löf, in [9], for arbitrary locally compact groups (see also H. Heyer [6]). In [6] and [9] the presented proofs make use of the Tomita disintegration theory, as it was exposed in [10], but, since this theory was shown not to be correct (see J. L. Taylor [12]), the extensions given in [6] and [9] remained under doubt.

The first correct proof, in which the irreducible disintegration theory apparently is not used, was given by Ch. A. Akemann and M. E. Walter (see [1], proposition 6). In this article P. Lévy's theorem is extended and framed into the theory of the W^* -algebra associated to an arbitrary locally compact group.

In what follows we shall further extend P. Lévy's theorem by framing it into a compactness theorem and by making an explicit use of the Choquet-Bishop-de Leeuw-Wils decomposition theory.

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a) Let G be an arbitrary, topological, locally compact group, and $U: G \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(H)$ a unitary, continuous representation of G , where H is an arbitrary Hilbert space.

For any $\xi, \eta \in H$, the complex function

$$g \mapsto (\bigcup_g \xi | \eta), \quad g \in G,$$

is continuous and bounded on G .

Let $M^1(G)$ be the complex vector space of all finite, complex, Radon measures, defined on G . For any $\mu \in M^1(G)$, the integral

$$\int_G (\bigcup_g \xi | \eta) d\mu(g), \quad \xi, \eta \in H,$$

exists, and there exists a unique, continuous, linear operator $\hat{\mu}(U) \in \mathcal{L}(H)$, such that

$$(\hat{\mu}(U) \xi | \eta) = \int_G (\bigcup_g \xi | \eta) d\mu(g), \quad \xi, \eta \in H.$$

The operator $\hat{\mu}(U)$ is called the Fourier - Stieltjes transform of the measure μ , corresponding to the representation U (see [3], §13.3; [6], p.147), whereas the mapping $\mu \mapsto \hat{\mu}(U)$ is a \ast -representation of the involutive algebra $M^1(G)$ into $\mathcal{L}(H)$ (see [3], proposition 13.3.1.).

It is well known that in $M^1(G)$ the following topologies can be considered: α) the vague topology: since $M^1(G)$ is the dual of the normed space $K(G)$ of all the continuous, complex functions, defined on G and having compact supports, in which the norm is given by

$$f \mapsto \|f\|_\infty = \sup_{g \in G} |f(g)|, \quad f \in K(G),$$

the vague topology is the topology $\sigma(M^1(G); K(G))$.

β) the \ast -weak topology: $M^1(G)$ is, at the same time, the dual of the Banach space $C_0(G)$ of all continuous, complex functions, defined on G and vanishing at infinity, endowed with the same norm as above. The \ast -weak topology is the topology $\sigma(M^1(G); C_0(G))$ and it is obviously stronger than the vague topology.

The two topologies coincide on the norm bounded subsets of $M^1(G)$, but a vaguely compact set can be unbounded for the norm.

γ) the narrow topology: any measure from $M^1(G)$ can be extended, with the help of regularity, as a Radon measure on the space $C^b(G) = C(\beta G)$ of all ^{bounded,} continuous complex functions, defined on G , space which can be canonically identified with the space of all continuous complex functions, defined on the Stone-Čech compactification βG of G . The mentioned extension yields an isometric imbedding of $M^1(G)$ into $C(\beta G)^*$, and the narrow topology is the topology induced by the topology $\sigma(C(\beta G)^*; C(\beta G))$. Obviously, the narrow topology is stronger than the \ast -weak topology (see [2], ch. IX, § 5.3).

δ) The Fourier topology. Let $\mathcal{F}(G) \subset C^b(G)$ be the complex vector space of all functions of the form

$$g \mapsto \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (U_g^{(i)} \xi_i | \eta_i),$$

where $U^{(i)} : G \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(H_i)$ are irreducible, continuous, unitary representations, and

$\xi_i, \eta_i \in H_i, i \in \mathbb{N}$. The Fourier topology on $M^1(G)$ is the topology $\sigma(M^1(G); \mathcal{F}(G))$. It is obvious that the Fourier topology is weaker than the narrow topology but, nevertheless, it is a Hausdorff topology.

b) Let $P(G)$ be the set of all continuous functions of positive type, defined on G ; let $P_1(G) = \{\varphi \in P(G); \varphi(e) = 1\}$. It is known that there exists an affine bijection $\tau : P(G) \rightarrow (C^*(G)_+)^*$ between $P(G)$ and the set $(C^*(G)_+)^*$ of all positive, continuous linear forms, defined on the C^* -algebra $C^*(G)$ of the group G ; the bijection τ is given by the formula

$$\tau(\varphi)(g(x)) = \int_G \varphi(x) d\mu,$$

where μ is a left-invariant Haar measure on G , $x \in L^1(G)$, $\varphi \in P(G)$ and $g : L^1(G) \rightarrow C^*(G)$ is the canonical injection (see [3], §§ 2.7, 13.4 and 13.9). Moreover, we have $\|\tau(\varphi)\| = \varphi(e) = \|\varphi\|_{\infty}$, for any $\varphi \in P(G)$ (see [3], §§ 2.7.5 and 13.4.3).

c) Let $\pi : G \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(H)$ be a cyclic, continuous, unitary representation of G and $\rho : C^*(G) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(H)$ the corresponding cyclic representation of the C^* -algebra $C^*(G)$ (see [3], § 13.9). Let $\xi \in H, \|\xi\| = 1$, be a ρ -cyclic vector and $g_0 \in E(C^*(G))$ the corresponding state, given by

$$g_0(c) = (\rho(c)\xi | \xi), \quad c \in C^*(G).$$

For any maximal, commutative von Neumann algebra $\mathfrak{Z} \subset (\rho(C^*(G)))'$ we shall consider the C^* -algebra \mathcal{B} , generated by $\rho(C^*(G))$ and \mathfrak{Z} , and the corresponding measures α, β, δ , constructed as in the preceding sections.

The bijection τ induces the bijection $\tau|_{P_0(G)}$, from the set $P_0(G)$ of all pure continuous functions of positive type, defined on G and equal to 1 at $e \in G$, to the set $P(C^*(G))$ of all pure states of the C^* -algebra $C^*(G)$. Let $A(G)$ be the σ -algebra of subsets of $P_0(G)$, which is the reciprocal image through $\tau|_{P_0(G)}$ of the σ -algebra $A_0(P(C^*(G)))$, constructed as in § 2 for the C^* -algebra $\mathcal{C} = C^*(G)$.

Theorem 2. For any $\varphi_0 \in P_1(G)$ there exists a probability measure $\hat{\nu}$, defined on the σ -algebra $A(G)$ of subsets of $P_0(G)$, such that

$$\hat{\nu}(\varphi_0) = \int_{P_0(G)} \hat{\nu}(\varphi) d\hat{\nu}(\varphi),$$

for any $\nu \in M^1(G)$. In particular, we have

$$\varphi_0(g) = \int_{P_0(G)} \varphi(g) d\hat{\nu}(\varphi),$$

for any $g \in G$.

Proof. From the Raikov theorem (see [3], theorem 13.5.2) it follows that $\tau|_{P_1(G)}$ is a homeomorphism from the space $P_1(G)$, endowed with the compact convergence topology, onto the space $E(C^*(G))$, endowed with the topology induced by $\sigma((C^*(G))^*; C^*(G))$. For any $\nu \in M'(G)$ let us consider the function $\tilde{\nu}: (C^*(G))^*_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, given by

$$\tilde{\nu}(f) = \nu(\tau^{-1}(f)), \quad f \in (C^*(G))^*_+.$$

Obviously, $\tilde{\nu}|_{E_0(C^*(G))}$ is an affine, bounded function, whose restriction to $E(C^*(G))$ is continuous, in virtue of the above mentioned theorem of D. A. Raikov and of the finiteness and the regularity of the measure ν . From the corollary to proposition 15 we infer that

$$(*) \quad \tilde{\nu}(g_0) = \int_{P(C^*(G))} \tilde{\nu}(g) d\tilde{\nu}(g),$$

where $g_0 = \tau(\varphi_0) \in E(C^*(G))$. Let $\tilde{\nu}$ be the direct image through $\tau^{-1}|_{P(C^*(G))}$ of the measure $\tilde{\nu}$. It is obvious that for the measure $\tilde{\nu}$, thus defined, the first equality from the statement of the theorem holds. The second equality can be obtained by taking $\nu = \varepsilon_g$, the Dirac measure at $g \in G$. The theorem is proved.

The preceding theorem is a generalization to the possibly non-separable case, of the proposition 13.6.8 from [3].

d) Let us now remark that to any measure $\nu \in M'(G)$ we can injectively associate a function $\hat{\nu}: P_0(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by the formula

$$\hat{\nu}(\varphi) = \nu(\varphi), \quad \varphi \in P_0(G);$$

we use here the finiteness of the measure ν . It is obvious that the function $\hat{\nu}$ which we thus associate to the measure ν , is bounded and $\tilde{\nu}$ -measurable, as a consequence of proposition 14, b) and of the definition of the measure $\tilde{\nu}$.

On the other hand, it is easy to see that the mapping $M'(G) \ni \nu \mapsto \hat{\nu} \in \mathbb{C}^{P_0(G)}$ is a homeomorphism from $M'(G)$, endowed with the Fourier topology, into $\mathbb{C}^{P_0(G)}$, endowed with the simple convergence topology (i.e., the Tikhonov topology).

Theorem 3. The subsets of $M'_+(G)$, which are metrizable and compact for the Fourier topology, are compact for the narrow topology.

Proof. Let $M \subset M'_+(G)$ be a compact, metrizable subset (with respect to the Fourier topology). Here $M'_+(G)$ is the set of all positive, finite Radon measures on G .

a) M is norm-bounded. Indeed, let $1 \in P_0(G)$ be the constant function, equal to 1 on G . We have $\hat{\nu}(1) = \|\nu\|$, for any $\nu \in M'_+(G)$; since the mapping

$\nu \mapsto \hat{\nu}(1)$ is continuous, the set $\{\|\nu\|; \nu \in M\}$ is compact in \mathbb{R} .

b) Any ultrafilter \mathcal{U} on M converges for the topology induced on M by the weak topology $\sigma(M'(G); P(G))$. Indeed, let \mathcal{U} be an ultrafilter on M . Since M is compact for the Fourier topology, there exists

$$(1) \quad \lim_{\mathcal{U}} \nu = \nu_0 \in M.$$

Let us now show that for any $\varphi \in P(G)$, we have

$$\lim_{\nu \in \mathcal{U}} \hat{\nu}(\varphi) = \hat{\nu}_0(\varphi).$$

(here we have denoted by $\hat{\nu}(\varphi)$ the integral of the function φ with respect to the finite Radon measure ν). Indeed, to prove this, we must show that for any $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a set $U_\varepsilon \in \mathcal{U}$, such that

$$|\hat{\nu}(\varphi) - \hat{\nu}_0(\varphi)| < \varepsilon, \quad \nu \in U_\varepsilon.$$

If this be not true, there would exist a $\varphi_0 \in P(G)$, and an $\varepsilon_0 > 0$, such that, for any $U \in \mathcal{U}$ there exists a $\nu_U \in U$, for which

$$|\hat{\nu}_U(\varphi_0) - \hat{\nu}_0(\varphi_0)| \geq \varepsilon_0.$$

Let $\{V_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ be a countable basis of neighbourhoods of ν_0 for the Fourier topology ($V_n \subset M$). From (1) we infer that $V_n \in \mathcal{U}$, $n \geq 1$. Consequently, for any $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, there exists a $\nu_n \in V_n$, such that

$$(2) \quad |\hat{\nu}_n(\varphi_0) - \hat{\nu}_0(\varphi_0)| \geq \varepsilon_0,$$

and, obviously, we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \nu_n = \nu_0$, for the Fourier topology.

Let $g_0 = \tau(\varphi_0) \in (C^*(G))^*_+$ and \mathcal{J} be the positive measure, defined on the σ -algebra $A(G)$ of subsets of $P_0(G)$, given by the theorem 2. Let $\tilde{A}(G)$ be the complete σ -algebra of subsets of $P_0(G)$, generated by $A(G)$ with respect to \mathcal{J} . Then all the functions $\hat{\nu} : P_0(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \nu \in M(G)$ are $\tilde{A}(G)$ -measurable, and we have

$$(3) \quad \hat{\nu}_n(\varphi_0) = \int_{P_0(G)} \hat{\nu}_n(\varphi) d\mathcal{J}(\varphi), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

By taking into account the fact that

$$\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \sup_{\varphi \in P_0(G)} |\hat{\nu}_n(\varphi)| < +\infty,$$

from the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem and from theorem 2 we infer that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\nu}_n(\varphi_0) = \int_{P_0(G)} \hat{\nu}_0(\varphi) d\mathcal{J}(\varphi) = \hat{\nu}_0(\varphi_0),$$

and this contradicts inequality (2).

c) If $\varphi, \psi \in K(G)$, then $\varphi * \psi$ is a linear combination of four continuous functions of positive type (see [3], corollary 13.6.5). From we have just proved in b), it follows that for any ultrafilter \mathcal{U} on M , which converges for the Fourier topology to $\nu_0 \in M$, we have

$$\lim_{\nu \in \mathcal{U}} \hat{\nu}(\varphi * \psi) = \hat{\nu}_0(\varphi * \psi).$$

d) Let now $\varphi \in K(G)$ and $(u_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$ be an approximate unit in $K(G)$ (with respect to the convolution). We have

$$\lim_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (u_\lambda * \varphi) = \varphi,$$

uniformly on G , and, therefore,

$$\lim_{\nu \in \mathcal{U}} \hat{\nu}(\varphi) = \hat{\nu}_0(\varphi),$$

for any $\varphi \in K(G)$. Indeed, this follows from the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} |\hat{\nu}(\varphi) - \hat{\nu}_0(\varphi)| &\leq |\hat{\nu}(\varphi - u_\lambda * \varphi)| + |\hat{\nu}(u_\lambda * \varphi) - \hat{\nu}_0(u_\lambda * \varphi)| + \\ &+ |\hat{\nu}_0(u_\lambda * \varphi) - \hat{\nu}_0(\varphi)| \leq \|\hat{\nu}\| \|\varphi - u_\lambda * \varphi\|_\infty + |\hat{\nu}(u_\lambda * \varphi) - \hat{\nu}_0(u_\lambda * \varphi)| + \\ &+ \|\hat{\nu}_0\|_\infty \|u_\lambda * \varphi - \varphi\|_\infty. \end{aligned}$$

e) Let now $\varepsilon > 0$ be an arbitrary positive number, \mathcal{U} an ultrafilter on M and $\varphi \in C^b(G)$. Let ν_0 be the limit of the ultrafilter \mathcal{U} for the Fourier topology. There exists a compact set $K \subset G$, such that

$$\nu_0(K) \geq \|\nu_0\| - \varepsilon.$$

Let now $\varphi_0 \in K_+(G)$ be such that

$$\chi_K \leq \varphi_0 \leq 1.$$

We then have

$$\|\nu_0\| - \varepsilon < \hat{\nu}_0(\varphi_0) \leq \|\nu_0\|,$$

and, therefore,

$$\nu_0(1 - \varphi_0) < \varepsilon.$$

Since $\lim_{\nu \in \mathcal{U}} \|\nu\| = \|\nu_0\|$, from what we have just proved it follows that there exists a $\nu \in \mathcal{U}$, such that

$$\|\nu_0\| - \varepsilon < \|\nu\| < \|\nu_0\| + \varepsilon,$$

and

$$\hat{V}_0(\varphi_0) - \varepsilon < \hat{V}(\varphi_0) < \hat{V}_0(\varphi_0) + \varepsilon,$$

for any $V \in U$. We infer that we have

$$|\hat{V}(\varphi) - \hat{V}_0(\varphi)| \leq 3\varepsilon \|\varphi\|_\infty + |\hat{V}(\varphi\varphi_0) - \hat{V}_0(\varphi\varphi_0)|,$$

for any $V \in U$. By taking into account the fact that $\varphi\varphi_0 \in K(G)$, from what we have just proved in d), it follows that we have

$$\lim_{V \in U} \hat{V}(\varphi) = \hat{V}_0(\varphi),$$

for any $\varphi \in C^b(G)$. Consequently, any ultrafilter on M converges for the narrow topology. Consequently, M is compact for this topology.

Corollary 1. On the ~~norm-bounded~~ subsets of $M_+^1(G)$, which are compact and metrizable for the Fourier topology, the narrow topology coincides with the Fourier topology.

Corollary 2. Let $(V_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence of finite, positive Radon measures on the locally compact group G . If there exists a finite positive Radon measure V , such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \hat{V}_n(\varphi) = \hat{V}(\varphi),$$

for any pure, continuous function φ , of positive type, defined on G , then the same equality holds for any bounded, continuous, complex function φ , defined on G .

This corollary extends P. Lévy's theorem to arbitrary locally compact groups.

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