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## POTENTIAL IN STANDARD H-CONES

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The aim of this paper is to extend, in the framework of standard H-cones, the notions of "potential" and "harmonic". More precisely in any standard H-cone  $\mathcal{Y}$  we distinguish the elements  $h$ , which are specifically dominated by an element  $s \in \mathcal{Y}$  if it is naturally dominated by  $s$ , called substractibles and the elements  $p$  which have no specific substractible nonzero minorant, called pure potentials. We characterise, in terms of balayages, the substractible and pure potential elements. Some remarkable results are obtained in the case when any universally continuous element of  $\mathcal{Y}$  is a pure potential. In this situation, if the dual H-cone of  $\mathcal{Y}$  satisfies the axiom of polarity, then the pure potentials in  $\mathcal{Y}$  are exactly the elements which can be written as a sum of a sequence of universally continuous elements.

0. Preliminaries and notations. Throughout this paper will be a standard H-cone (see [1]).

We denote by  $\leq$  (resp.  $\prec$ ) the natural (resp. specific) order relation in  $\mathcal{Y}$  and by  $\mathcal{Y}_0$  the convex cone of all universally continuous elements of  $\mathcal{Y}$ . Whenever  $s$  is a strictly positive element of  $\mathcal{Y}$  we write  $s > 0$ . We denote by  $\mathcal{Y}^*$  the dual H-cone of  $\mathcal{Y}$ . It is known that  $\mathcal{Y}^*$  is also a standard H-cone and we denote by  $\mathcal{Y}_0^*$  convex cone of all universally continuous elements of  $\mathcal{Y}^*$ . We denote also by  $\leq$  (resp.  $\prec$ ) the natural (resp. specific) order relation in  $\mathcal{Y}^*$ . We remember that  $\mathcal{Y}$  is embedded canonically in  $\mathcal{Y}^{**}$  as a convex cone which is solid and dense in order from

below in  $\mathcal{G}^{**}$  with respect to the natural order.

The coarsest topology on  $\mathcal{G}$  for which the functions on  $\mathcal{G}$  defined by

$$s \rightarrow \mu(s), \quad \mu \in \mathcal{G}_0^*$$

are continuous is called natural topology on  $\mathcal{G}$ . A similar topology may be defined on  $\mathcal{G}^*$  (see also [2]). The fine topology on  $\mathcal{G}$  will be the coarsest topology on  $\mathcal{G}$  for which the functions on  $\mathcal{G}$  defined by

$$s \rightarrow \mu(s), \quad \mu \in \mathcal{G}^*$$

are continuous. Analogously we define the fine topology on  $\mathcal{G}^*$ .

For any  $u \in \mathcal{G}$ ,  $u > 0$  we denote

$$K_u = \{ \mu \in \mathcal{G}^* \mid \mu(u) \leq 1 \}$$

The set  $K_u$  is convex and compact in the natural topology on  $\mathcal{G}^*$ . We denote by  $X_u$  the set of all non-zero extrem points of  $K_u$ . Any  $s \in \mathcal{G}$  may be identified with the function on  $X_u$  defined by

$$s(x) =: x(s),$$

and in this way  $\mathcal{G}$  becomes a standard H-cone of functions on the set  $X$  (see [1]). The natural (resp. fine) topology on  $X_u$  is that induced by the natural (resp. fine) topology on  $\mathcal{G}^*$ .

In general we say that  $\mathcal{G}$  is represented as an H-cone



of functions on a set  $X$  (see [1]) if there exists  $u \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $u > 0$  such that  $X \subset X_u$  and for any  $s, t \in \mathcal{F}$  we have  $s \leq t$  whenever  $s(x) \leq t(x)$  for any  $x \in X$ . Obviously in this case we have  $u = 1$  on  $X$ .

We remember that a balayage on  $\mathcal{F}$  is a map  $B: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$ , which is additive, increasing and continuous in order from below with respect to the natural order, contractive (i.e.  $Bs \leq s, (\forall) s \in \mathcal{F}$ ) and idempotent (i.e.  $B(Bs) = Bs, (\forall) s \in \mathcal{F}$ ).

We denote by  $[\mathcal{F}]$  the ordered real vector space generated by  $\mathcal{F}$  and by the order relation given by the convex cone of all elements  $s - t$  where  $s, t \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $s \geq t$ . The ordered vector space  $[\mathcal{F}]$  is a vector lattice and for any  $f, g \in [\mathcal{F}]$  we denote their infimum by  $f \wedge g$ . For any  $f \in [\mathcal{F}]$ , we put

$$Rf = \bigwedge \{s \in \mathcal{F} \mid s \geq f\}$$

and for any  $f \in [\mathcal{F}]$ ,  $f \geq 0$  we denote by  $B_f$  the balayage defined by

$$B_f s = \bigvee_n R(s \wedge n f).$$

For any subset  $A$  of  $X_u$  we denote by  $B_s^A$  the function

$$B_s^A = \bigwedge \{s' \in \mathcal{F} \mid s' \geq s \text{ on } A\}.$$

Generally the map

$$s \longrightarrow B_s^A$$

is additive, increasing and continuous in order from below,



contractive but it is not idempotent. If it is idempotent then this map is a balayage called the balayage on  $A$ . This is the case when  $A$  is fine open or more general when  $A$  is a sub-basic subset of  $X_u$  (see [3]).

If  $u \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $u > 0$  then for any  $s \in \mathcal{F}$  we denote (see [3]) Carr s the subset of the natural closer  $\overline{X_u}$  of  $X$  in  $K_u$  defined by

$$x \in \text{Carr } s \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \begin{matrix} X_u \setminus V \\ B \cap s \neq \emptyset \end{matrix} \quad \text{for any natural closed neighbourhood } V \text{ of } x.$$

The set Carr s is called the carrier of s and it is proved that for any  $s \in \mathcal{F}_0$  we have  $\text{Carr } s \neq \emptyset$  and  $s^* \geq s$  whenever this inequality holds only on the set  $X_u \cap \text{Carr } s$ .

We remember that  $\mathcal{F}$  satisfies the axiom of polarity (see [1]) if for any  $s \in \mathcal{F}_0$  and any decreasing sequence of balayages  $(B_n)_n$  on  $\mathcal{F}$  we have

$$B_k(\bigwedge_n B_n s) = \bigwedge_n B_n s.$$

One can prove (see [3]) that  $\mathcal{F}^*$  satisfies the axiom of polarity iff any element  $s \in \mathcal{F}$  which is dominated by an element  $s_0 \in \mathcal{F}_0$  is of the form

$$s = \sum_n s_n \quad \text{where } s_n \in \mathcal{F}_0.$$

# 1. Subtractible elements in a standard H-cone

An element  $h \in \mathcal{F}$  is called subtractible if for any  $s \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $h \leq s$  we have

$$h \preceq s.$$

We remark that the set of all substractible elements is a convex subcone of  $\mathcal{Y}$  which is solid in  $\mathcal{Y}$  with respect to the specific order. Moreover any element  $s \in \mathcal{Y}$  of the form

$$s = \sum_n h_n, \quad h_n \text{ substractible} \\ \text{is substractible.}$$

Theorem 1. Let  $(B_n)_n$  be a decreasing sequence of balaya-  
ges on  $\mathcal{Y}$  such that there exists  $u \in \mathcal{Y}$ ,  $u > 0$  for which

$$\bigwedge_n B_n u = 0$$

Then any element  $h \in \mathcal{Y}$  such that

$$n \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow B_n h = h$$

is substractible and  $u \wedge h = 0$ .

Let  $h \in \mathcal{Y}$  such that

$$n \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow B_n h = h$$

and let  $s \in \mathcal{Y}$  be such that

$$h \leq s.$$

Since  $B_n h = h$  it follows from [3], that the element

$$f_n = (s - h) \wedge (u - B_n u)$$



is of the form  $t-Bt$  where

$$t = (s+B_n u) \wedge (u+h)$$

Let now  $\psi_1, \psi_2 \in \mathcal{G}_0^*$  such that  $\psi_1 \leq \psi_2$ . Since

$$t-B_n t \leq u-B_n u$$

it follows that

$$t-Bt+B_n u \in \mathcal{G}$$

i.e

$$f_n + B_n u \in \mathcal{G}.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_1((s-h) \wedge u) &\leq \psi_1(f_n+B_n u) \leq \psi_2(f_n+B_n u) \leq \\ &\leq \psi_2(f_n) + \psi_2(B_n u) \leq \psi_2((s-h) \wedge u) + \psi_2(B_n u) \end{aligned}$$

and therefore

$$\psi_1((s-h) \wedge u) \leq \psi_2((s-h) \wedge u).$$

Hence

$$(s-h) \wedge u \in \mathcal{G}$$



Since we can change  $u$  by any element  $nu$  where  $n \in N$  and since  $u > 0$  we deduce that

$$s - h \in \mathcal{Y}.$$

If we denote

$$p = u \wedge h$$

we have

$$B_n p = p \quad (\text{since } p \geq h)$$

$$B_n p \leq \bigwedge_n B_n u = 0, \quad p = 0.$$

Theorem 2. Let  $h$  be <sup>(a)</sup>substractible element of  $\mathcal{Y}$  and  $p$  such that  $p \wedge h = 0$ . Then the balayage  $B_f$  where  $f = (h-p)^+$  satisfies the properties

$$B_f h = h, \quad B_f p \leq h.$$

Let  $s \in \mathcal{Y}$  be such that

$$s \geq (nf) \wedge h \quad (\forall) n \in \mathbb{N}$$

We have

$$h - s \leq p, \quad p \leq R(h-s).$$

Since

$$R(h-s) \leq h$$

it follows that  $R(h-s)$  is subtractible and therefore

$$R(h-s) \leq p.$$

Using the hypothesis we get

$$R(h-s) = 0, \quad h \leq s.$$

Obviously we have

$$h \geq B_f h = \bigvee_n R(h \wedge n f) \geq h, \quad B_f h = h$$

and

$$B_f p = \bigvee_n R(p \wedge n f) \leq h.$$

Corollary. Let  $h$  be a subtractible element in  $\mathcal{Y}$  and let  $p$  be a strictly positive element of  $\mathcal{Y}$  such that  $p \wedge h = 0$ . Then the decreasing sequence of balayages  $(B_{f_n})$  where

$$f_n = (h - np)^+$$

satisfies the following properties

- 1)  $\bigwedge_n B_{f_n} p = 0$
- 2)  $B_{f_n} h = h \quad (\forall) n \in \mathbb{N}$



Let  $u$  be a strictly positive element of  $\mathcal{Y}^*$  and let  $Y_{u^*}$  be the set of all non-zero extrem points of the compact convex set

$$K_{u^*} = \{ \theta \in \mathcal{Y}^{**} \mid \theta(u^*) \leq 1 \}$$

We say that an element  $s \in \mathcal{Y}$  is  $u$  - representable if there exists a Borel measure  $\mu_s$  on  $Y_{u^*}$  such that for any  $\psi \in \mathcal{Y}_0^*$  we have

$$\psi(s) = \int \psi(\theta) d\mu_s(\theta)$$

The measure  $\mu_s$  is uniquely determined by the preceding equality. We remark that any element  $s \in \mathcal{Y}$  such that  $u^*(s) < \infty$  is  $u^*$  - representable and the associated measure is finite.

Generally since  $\psi(s) < \infty$  we deduce that the associated measure  $\mu$  is  $\sigma$  - finite and therefore an element  $s \in \mathcal{Y}$  is  $u$  - representable iff it is of the form

$$s = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} s_n$$

where  $u^*(s_n) < \infty$ .

Theorem 3. Let  $u^* \in \mathcal{Y}^*$ ,  $u^* > 0$  and  $h \in \mathcal{Y}$  an  $u^*$  - representable element such that the associated measure is carried by a polar subset  $A$  of  $Y_{u^*}$ . Then  $h$  is substractible.

Let  $s^* \in \mathcal{Y}^*$ ,  $s^* > 0$  such that  $s^* = +\infty$  on  $A$ . Let  $(B_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be the sequence of balayages on  $\mathcal{Y}$  such that



$$n \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow B_n^* = B^{G_n}, \quad G_n = \{y \in Y_u^* \mid s^*(y) > n\}$$

Since for any  $\psi \in \mathcal{G}_0^*$  we have

$$B_n^* \psi = \psi \text{ on } G_n$$

it follows that

$$\psi(B_n h) = (B_n^* \psi)(h) = \int B_n^* \psi d\mu_h = \int \psi d\mu_h = \psi(h)$$

and therefore  $B_n h = h$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

We remark also that for any  $p \in \mathcal{G}_0$  and any  $\psi \in \mathcal{G}_0^*$  we have  $\psi \leq \alpha u^*$  for a suitable  $\alpha > 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(\bigwedge_n B_n p) &= \inf_n \psi(B_n p) = \inf_n (B_n^* \psi)(p) \leq \\ &\inf_n \frac{\alpha}{n} u^*(p) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\bigwedge_n B_n p = 0$$

and therefore

$$\bigwedge_n B_n q = 0$$

for any  $q \in \mathcal{G}$  of the form

$$q = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} p_n, \quad p_n \in \mathcal{G}_0$$

The assertion follows now from theorem 1.

Proposition 4. Let  $u^* \in \mathcal{G}^*$ ,  $u^* > 0$  and let  $h \in \mathcal{G}$  be such that any specific minorant of  $h$  which is  $u^*$ -representable is equal to zero. Then  $h$  is subtractible.

Let  $v^* \in \mathcal{G}^*$  be such that  $v^* > 0$ ,  $v^* \leq u^*$  and  $v^*(h) < 1$ . We denote by  $\mu_h$  the representing measure on  $Y_{v^*}$  associated to  $h$ . We shall show that  $\mu_h$  is carried by the set

$$\{y \in Y_{v^*} \mid u^*(y) = +\infty\}$$

We denote by  $\mu_n$  the restriction of  $\mu_h$  to the Borel set

$$\{y \in Y_{v^*} \mid u^*(y) \leq n\},$$

and let  $h_n$  be the element of  $\mathcal{G}$  defined by

$$\psi(h_n) = \int \psi d\mu_n, \quad (\forall) \psi \in \mathcal{G}_0^*$$

Obviously  $u^*(h_n) \leq n / \mu_h(v^*) < n$

and therefore  $h_n$  is  $u^*$ -representable and  $h_n \leq h$ .

Using the hypotheses we deduce  $h_n = 0$  for any  $n$  and

$$\mu_h(\{y \in Y_{v^*} \mid u^*(y) < \infty\}) = 0.$$

## 2. Potentials in standard H-cones

Suppose that  $\mathcal{G}$  is represented as an H-cone of functions on the set  $X$ . A point  $x \in X$  is called absorbent with respect to  $\mathcal{G}$  if



there exists  $s \in \mathcal{J}$  such that  $s(y) > 0$  for any  $y \in X$ ,  $y \neq x$  and  $s(x) = 0$ .

Proposition 5. For any  $x_0 \in X$  the following assertions are equivalent:

- 1)  $x_0$  is absorbent with respect to  $\mathcal{J}$
- 2)  $B_1^{\{x_0\}}(x_0) = 0$
- 3) there exists a subtractible element  $p \in \mathcal{J}$ ,  $p \neq 0$  such that  $B_p^{\{x_0\}} = p$ .

1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  2) is immediate.

2)  $\Rightarrow$  3) Since  $\{x_0\}$  is fine open it follows that  $B_1^{\{x_0\}}(x_0) = 1$ .

It is easy to see that the element  $p = B_1^{\{x_0\}}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{J}_0$  and

$$B_p^{\{x_0\}} = p.$$

We shall show that  $p$  is subtractible. Let  $s \in \mathcal{J}$  be such that

$$p \leq s.$$

We have

$$B_{s \wedge p}^{\{x_0\}} = \begin{cases} s(x) & \text{for any } x \neq x_0 \\ 0 & \text{for } x = x_0. \end{cases}$$

Since  $\{x_0\}$  is fine open we have  $s(x_0) < \infty$ ,

$$R(s - B_s^{\{x_0\}}) = s(x_0) \cdot p,$$

and therefore



$$s(x_0) \cdot p \preceq s,$$

$$p \preceq \frac{s}{s(x_0)} \preceq s.$$

3)  $\Rightarrow$  2). Let  $p$  be a subtractible element of  $\mathcal{G}$ ,  $p \neq 0$  such that

$$B_p^{\{x_0\}} = p.$$

Obviously  $p(x_0) \neq 0$  and we may suppose that  $p(x_0)=1$ . If  $B_1^{\{x_0\}}(x_0) > 0$  then there exists a natural closed neighbourhood  $V$  of  $x_0$  such that

$$B_1^{\{x_0\}}(x_0) > 0.$$

Since  $p$  is subtractible it follows that

$$p \preceq \alpha B_1^{\{x_0\}}$$

for a suitable  $\alpha > 0$  and therefore

$$R_p^{\{x_0\}} = p.$$

We may embed  $X$  in a natural way in the set  $X_1$  of all extrem points of the convex compact set

$$K_1 = \{\mu \in \mathcal{G}^* \mid \mu(1) \leq 1\}$$

Let  $U$  be a natural open neighbourhood of  $x_0$  in  $\overline{X}$  such that

$$U \cap X \subset V$$

We have

$$B_p(\overline{X} \setminus U) = B_p(\overline{X} \setminus U) = p.$$

From this equality it follows (see [3]) that

$$\text{Carr } p \subset \overline{X} \setminus U$$

which contradicts (see [3]) the relation

$$B_p(\{x_0\}) = p.$$

Proposition 6. Suppose  $\mathcal{F}$  represented as arc. H-cone of functions on the set  $X$ . Then the set of all absorbent points from  $X$  with respect to  $\mathcal{F}$  is discrete in the natural topology.

If  $x$  is an absorbent point of  $X$  with respect to  $\mathcal{F}$  we denote by  $p_x$  the substractible element of  $\mathcal{F}_0$  such that

$$B_{p_x}(\{x\}) = p_x, \quad p_x(x) = 1.$$

Any point  $y \in X$ ,  $p(y) > 0$  is not absorbent because in the contrary we may embed  $X$  in a natural way in the set  $X$  such that

$$p_y \leq \alpha p_x$$

for a suitable  $\alpha > 0$  and therefore

$$p_y \leq \alpha p_x$$

which contradicts the fact that



$$\text{carr } p_y = \{y\}, \text{ carr } p_x = \{x\}.$$

An element  $p \in \mathcal{J}$  is called pure potential if for any substractible element  $h \in \mathcal{J}$  we have

$$p \wedge h = 0.$$

Proposition 7. Any pure potential  $p \in \mathcal{J}$  is  $u^*$ -representable for any  $u^* \in \mathcal{J}, u^* > 0$ .

Let  $p \in \mathcal{J}$  be a pure potential and let  $u^* \in \mathcal{J}$  such that  $u^* > 0$ . Since the set of all specific minorants of  $p$  which are  $u^*$ -representable contains its least upper bound it is sufficient to suppose that any specific minorant of  $p$  which is  $u^*$ -representable is equal to zero. In this case we want to prove that  $p=0$ . Indeed this last assertion is a direct consequence of proposition 4 and of the definition of a pure potential.

In the sequel we denote by  $\mathcal{J}_h$  the set of all substractible elements of  $\mathcal{J}$ .

Theorem 8. Suppose that  $\mathcal{J}$  is represented as an H-cone of functions on  $X$  such that any element of  $\mathcal{J}_0^*$  is represented by a borel measure on  $X$ . Then any element of  $\mathcal{J}_0 \cap \mathcal{J}_h$  is of the form

$$\sum_x \alpha_x p_x$$

where  $x$  runs the set of all absorbent points of  $X$  with respect to  $\mathcal{J}$  and for any such point  $x$

$$p_x = B_1^{\{x\}}$$



Let  $p \in \mathcal{G} \cap \mathcal{G}_h$  and suppose that

$$p \wedge p_x = 0$$

for any absorbent point  $x$  of  $X$  with respect to  $\mathcal{G}$ . For the proof of the theorem it is sufficient to show that any such element  $p$  is equal to zero. Suppose that  $p \neq 0$ .

We denote by  $X_1$  the set of all non zero extrem points of the compact convex set

$$K_1 = \{\mu \in \mathcal{G}^* \mid \mu(1) \leq 1\}$$

Since any universally continuous element of  $\mathcal{G}^*$  is represented by a Borel measure on  $X$  it follows that any compact part of  $X_1 \setminus X$  is semipolar. We want to prove that there exists a point

$$x_0 \in \text{carr } p \cap X$$

which is not absorbent with respect to  $\mathcal{G}$ .

In the contrary case if we denote by  $A$  the set of all absorbent points of  $X$  with respect to  $\mathcal{G}$ , then  $A$  is countable and therefore  $\text{carr } p \cap A$  is a  $G_\delta$  - set contained in  $\overline{X}_1 \setminus X$ . Since

$$x \in A \Rightarrow p \wedge p_x = 0$$

it follows that [see 3]

$$p = \chi_{(\text{carr } p \setminus A) \cap X_1} \cdot p = \bigvee_{\substack{K \subset (\text{carr } p \setminus A) \cap X_1 \\ K \text{ compact}}} \chi_K \cdot p$$

Any compact part  $k$  of  $X_1 \setminus X$  being semipolar we deduce  $p=0$ .

From the fact that  $x_0$  is not an absorbent point we deduce that there exists a naturally closed neighbourhood  $V$  of  $x_0$  in  $K_1$  such that

$$\int_{B \setminus V} p(x_0) > 0$$

We choose now  $W$  a naturally closed neighbourhood of  $x_0$  in  $K_1$  such that

$$W \subset V$$

and such that

$$p \leq \theta B_1 \text{ on } W$$

for a suitable  $\theta$ . It follows that

$$q = :R(p - B_1 p) \in \theta B_1$$

Since  $x_0 \in \text{Carr } q$  we deduce that  $p \in B_p$  and  $q \neq 0$ . Obviously  $q \leq p$ . Using the fact that  $p$  is subtractible we have

$$q \leq \theta B_1$$

which contradicts the fact

$$q \neq 0, \text{ carr } q \subset W.$$

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From the preceding theorem it follows that the following assertions are equivalent:

- 1) any element of  $\mathcal{G}_0$  is a pure potential
- 2) any extrem element of  $\mathcal{G}_0$  is a pure potential
- 3) there exists a set  $X$  such that  $\mathcal{G}$  is represented as an H-cone of functions on  $X$  such that any  $\mu \in \mathcal{G}_0^*$  is representable as a Borel measure on  $X$  and such that  $X$  doesn't possess absorbent points.
- 4) if  $\mathcal{G}$  is represented as an H-cone of functions on  $X$  such that any element of  $\mathcal{G}_0^*$  is representable as a Borel measure on  $X$  then  $X$  doesn't possess absorbent points.
- 5) There exists a pure potential  $p, p > 0$ .

We say that the standard H-cone  $\mathcal{G}$  satisfies the axiom A if one of the preceding assertions 1-5 holds for  $\mathcal{G}$ .

Theorem 9. Assume that  $\mathcal{G}$  satisfies the axiom A and let  $h$  be an element of  $\mathcal{G}$ . Then the following assertions are equivalent:

- 1)  $h$  is substractible
- 2) There exists  $u \in \mathcal{G}, u > 0$  and a decreasing sequence of balayages  $(B_n)_n$  on  $\mathcal{G}$  such that

$$\bigwedge_n B_n u = 0, \quad B_n h = h$$

for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

- 3) There exists  $u \in \mathcal{G}, u > 0, u$  pure potential and a decreasing sequence of balayages  $(B_n)_n$  on  $\mathcal{G}$  such that

$$\bigwedge_n B_n u = 0, \quad B_n h = h \text{ for any } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$



4) For any  $u \in \mathcal{J}$ ,  $u > 0$ ,  $u$  pure potential there exists a decreasing sequence of balayages  $(B_n)_n$  on  $\mathcal{J}$  such that

$$\bigwedge_{n \in \mathbb{N}} B_n u = 0, \quad B_n h = h \quad \text{for any } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

1)  $\Rightarrow$  4) follows from the corollary of theorem 2

4)  $\Rightarrow$  3) follows using the axiom A

3)  $\Rightarrow$  2) is immediately

2)  $\Rightarrow$  1) follows from theorem 1.

Theorem 10. Assume that  $\mathcal{J}$  satisfies the axiom A. Then the following assertions are equivalent:

1) The standard H-cone  $\mathcal{J}^*$  satisfies the axiom of polarity.

2) Any pure potential  $p$  is of the form

$$p = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} p_n, \quad p_n \in \mathcal{J}_0.$$

3) For any  $u^* \in \mathcal{J}^*$ ,  $u^* > 0$  and any pure potential  $p \in \mathcal{J}$  the corresponding representation measure  $\mu_p$  on  $Y_{u^*}$  doesn't charge any semipolar subset of  $Y_{u^*}$ .

4) For any  $u^* \in \mathcal{J}^*$ ,  $u^* > 0$  an  $u^*$ -representable element  $h \in \mathcal{J}$  is substractible whenever the corresponding representation measure  $\mu_h$  is carried by a semipolar set.

1)  $\Rightarrow$  3) Let  $p \in \mathcal{J}_0$  be a pure potential and  $u^* \in \mathcal{J}^*$ ,  $u^* > 0$ . From proposition 7 there exists a measure  $\mu_p$  on  $Y_{u^*}$  such that

$$\psi(p) = \int \psi d\mu_p$$

for any  $\psi \in \mathcal{J}_0^*$ . From theorem 3 it follows that the measure  $\mu_p$

doesn't charge any polar subset of  $Y_{u^*}$  and so, using 1), the measure  $\mu_p$  doesn't charge any semipolar subset of  $Y_{u^*}$ .

3)  $\Rightarrow$  2) follows from [3], theorem 3.7.

2)  $\Rightarrow$  1) follows from [3], theorem 3.8.

1)  $\Rightarrow$  4) Let  $u^* \in \mathcal{G}^*$ ,  $u^* > 0$  and let  $h$  be a subtractible element of  $\mathcal{G}$  which is  $u^*$ -representable. The corresponding representation measure  $\mu_p$  may be decomposed in the form

$$\mu_p = \mu' + \mu''$$

where  $\mu'$  is carried by a polar subset of  $Y_{u^*}$  and  $\mu''$  doesn't charge any polar set. The element of  $\mathcal{G}$  associated with  $\mu''$  is a pure potential (see 1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  3)) and being a specific minorant of  $h$  is equal to zero. Hence  $\mu_p$  is carried by a polar subset of  $Y_{u^*}$ .

3)  $\Rightarrow$  4) Indeed any specific minorant  $p$  of  $h$  is represented on  $Y_{u^*}$  by a measure carried by a semipolar set and therefore  $p$  can't be a nonzero pure potential.

4)  $\Rightarrow$  3) If  $p$  is a pure potential and  $\mu_p$  is its corresponding representation measure then  $\mu_p$  doesn't charge any semipolar set.

Corollary. Suppose that  $\mathcal{G}$  satisfies axiom A and that its dual  $\mathcal{G}^*$  satisfies the axiom of polarity. Then we have:

a) for any  $u^* \in \mathcal{G}^*$ ,  $u^* > 0$  and any subtractible element  $h \in \mathcal{G}$  which is  $u$  - representable the corresponding representation measure  $\mu_h$  is carried by a polar subset of  $Y_{u^*}$ .

b) an element  $p \in \mathcal{G}$  is a pure potential iff it is  $u^*$  - representable for any  $u^* \in \mathcal{G}^*$ ,  $u^* > 0$ .



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