

105. A Remark on a Construction of Finite Factors. II

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1. In the previous paper [2], we proved that the crossed product $G \otimes \mathcal{A}$ of a finite von Neumann algebra \mathcal{A} by a group G of outer automorphisms has the property Q (Definition 2, in the below), only if G is amenable, and that the factor constructed by an enumerable ergodic m -group G on a measure space by the method due to Murray and von Neumann [4] is a continuous hyperfinite factor only if G is amenable.

In the present note, we shall show that the crossed product of a finite von Neumann algebra with the property Q by an amenable group G of outer automorphisms has the property P in the sense of J. T. Schwartz [5] (Definition 1, in the below), and that the factor constructed by an enumerable ergodic amenable m -group G and a measure space by the method due to Murray and von Neumann has the property P .

We shall use the terminology due to Dixmier [3] and the previous note [2] without further explanations.

2. In the first place, we state some properties of the operator Banach mean defined in [1]. Let G be a discrete group and $L^\infty(G)$ the algebra of all bounded complex-valued functions on G . We shall denote a Banach mean on $L^\infty(G)$ by $\int_G x(g)dg$. A group with a Banach mean will be called *amenable*. Let $\{T_g; g \in G\}$ be an operator family which is uniformly bounded on a Hilbert space. If G is amenable, then

$$[x|y] = \int_G (T_g x|y) dg$$

is a bounded bilinear form on the Hilbert space. Hence, there exists a unique bounded operator T such that $[x|y] = (Tx|y)$. Then we shall call T the *operator Banach mean* on G and write it by

$$T = \int_G T_g dg.$$

It is proved in [1] that the operator Banach mean satisfies the following properties:

$$\text{a) } \int [\alpha T_g + \beta S_g] dg = \alpha \int T_g dg + \beta \int S_g dg,$$