

## INTEGRAL REPRESENTATIONS OF LINEAR FUNCTIONALS ON FUNCTION MODULES

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**ABSTRACT.** An integral representation for linear functionals on function modules is given under the condition that the function module is 'uniformly separable'. This result is a generalization of Riesz' Representation Theorem for linear functionals on  $C(X)$ . The results apply to spaces of (weighted) vector valued functions and to Grothendieck's  $G$ -spaces.

**1. Introduction.** Function modules were first introduced by R. Godement [5], I. Kaplansky [7], and M.A. Naimark [13] under the name of Continuous Sums. They considered spaces  $E$  of functions  $\sigma$  defined on a topological space  $X$  with values in given Banach spaces  $E_x, x \in X$ , satisfying the following axioms:

(1)  $E$  is a closed linear subspace of the Banach space  $\{\sigma \in \prod_{x \in X} E_x : \sup_{x \in X} \|\sigma(x)\| < \infty\}$ , equipped with the norm  $\|\sigma\| = \sup_{x \in X} \|\sigma(x)\|$ .

(2) The function  $x \mapsto \|\sigma(x)\| : X \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$  is upper semicontinuous for every  $\sigma \in E$ .

(3)  $E_x = \{\sigma(x) : \sigma \in E\}$  for every  $x \in X$ .

(4)  $E$  is a  $C_b(X)$ -module with respect to the multiplication  $(f, \sigma) \mapsto f\sigma$  where  $(f\sigma)(x) = f(x)\sigma(x)$  and where  $C_b(X)$  denotes the algebra of all bounded continuous scalar valued functions on  $X$ .

Let us agree to call  $E$  a *function module over  $X$* . For a given  $x \in X$ , the Banach space  $E_x$  is called the *stalk over  $x$* .

Function modules are important in the representation theory of  $C^*$ -algebras (see Dauns and Hofmann [3]). For compact Hausdorff spaces  $X$ , the notion of function modules is also equivalent to the notion of spaces of section in a Banach bundle over  $X$  (see [4] for the details of this equivalence). Examples for function modules are the Banach spaces  $C_b(X), C_b(X, F)$  (the space of all continuous functions with values in a given Banach space  $F$ ) as well as spaces of continuous functions equipped with a weighted norm.

The object of the present note is to study the dual space of a function module. For all the examples mentioned above, integral representations

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of linear functionals are known (e.g. [2], [16]). In this paper, we will concern ourselves with the following.

**PROBLEM.** Let  $E$  be a function module with base space  $X$  and with stalks  $E_x, x \in X$ , and let  $\phi : E \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$  be a bounded linear functional on  $E$ . Can we find a family of bounded linear functionals  $\eta_x : E_x \rightarrow \mathcal{R}, x \in X$ , and a finite Borel measure  $\mu$  on  $X$  such that

- (1)  $x \mapsto \eta_x(\sigma(x)) : X \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$  is Borel measurable for every  $\sigma \in E$ ,
- (2)  $\phi(\sigma) = \int_X \eta_x(\sigma(x)) d\mu(x)$  for every  $\sigma \in E$ ?

In the appendix of [4] it was shown that this is possible if  $X$  is compact and metric, or, more generally, if every Borel measure on  $X$  admits a strong lifting in the sense of [6]. Recently, A. Seda [15] has shown that the strong lifting property of the base space  $X$  is also necessary in order to represent every linear function on every function module over  $X$  by an integral.

The results just mentioned are not the best possible ones. Since V. Losert [10] has constructed a compact space without the strong lifting property, Seda's result implies that the result from [4] does not even cover Riesz' representation theorem on linear functionals on  $C(X)$ . In the center of these notes stands an integral representation for linear functionals which includes Riesz' theorem.

There are various different approaches to our results. For example, (3.2) is equivalent to a disintegration theorem for measures due to G. Mokobodzki [11]. A second proof of (3.1) would utilize the fact that the dual of a function module  $E$  is norm isomorphic to the space of all  $C(X)$ -module homomorphisms on  $E$  which take values in the space  $\mathcal{M}(X)$  of all regular Borel measures on  $X$ . Our approach shows that it is really the  $\mathcal{M}$ -structure of a function module which makes an integral representation of linear functionals possible.

Banach spaces are always denoted by the letters  $E, F$ , etc. The dual space of  $E$  (i.e., the space of all bounded linear functionals on  $E$ ) will be denoted by  $E'$ . The polar or annihilator of a subspace  $F \subset E$  will be denoted by  $E^\circ$ . The word 'compact' always includes the Hausdorff separation axiom.

**2. Preliminary Results.** From now on, we fix a function module  $E$  with compact base space  $X$  and with stalks  $E_x, x \in X$ . For every

closed subset  $A \subset X$  let

$$N_A = \{\sigma \in E : \sigma(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in A\}.$$

Then  $N_A$  is an  $M$ -ideal of  $E$  (see [4, 13.6]), i.e., there is a projection  $p_A : E' \rightarrow N_A^\circ$  such that

$$(L) \quad \|\phi\| = \|p_A(\phi)\| + \|\phi - p_A(\phi)\|$$

holds. In general, a projection satisfying (L) is called an  $L$ -projection; the collection of all  $L$ -projections is a complete Boolean algebra (see [1]).

We continue this section with a short summary of the results of the appendix of [4]:

If  $U \subset X$  is open, define  $p_U : E' \rightarrow E'$  by

$$p_U = \text{id}_{E'} - p_{X \setminus U}.$$

Then  $p_U$  is the complement of the  $L$ -projection  $p_{X \setminus U}$  in the Boolean algebra of all  $L$ -projections on  $E'$ . For  $M \subset X$  in general, let

$$p_*(M) = \sup\{p_A : A \subset M, A \text{ closed}\},$$

$$p^*(M) = \inf\{p_U : M \subset U, U \text{ open}\},$$

where suprema and infima are taken in the Boolean algebra of all  $L$ -projections. If  $p_*(M) = p^*(M)$ , we let

$$p_M = p_*(M) = p^*(M).$$

The set  $\mathcal{M}(E) = \{M \subset X : p_*(M) = p^*(M)\}$  is a  $\sigma$ -complete Boolean algebra containing the Borel sets of  $X$ . If  $\phi : E \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$  is a bounded linear functional, then

$$\mu_\phi : \mathcal{M}(E) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$$

$$M \mapsto \|p_M(\phi)\|$$

is a finite  $\sigma$ -additive measure on  $\mathcal{M}(E)$  and

$$\nu_\phi : \mathcal{M}(E) \rightarrow E',$$

$$M \mapsto p_M(\phi)$$

is a  $\sigma$ -additive vector-valued measure. Following ideas of J.Kupka [9] one can show that there is a function  $\eta_\phi : X \rightarrow E'$  such that

$$\nu_\phi(M) = p_M(\phi) = \int_M \eta_\phi(x) d\mu_\phi(x)$$

in the sense that

$$p_M(\phi)(\sigma) = \int_M \eta_\phi(x)(\sigma) d\mu_\phi(x)$$

for every  $\sigma \in E$ . Moreover,  $\|p_M(\phi)\| = \mu_\phi(M) = \int_M \|\eta_\phi(x)\| d\mu_\phi(x)$ , which yields  $\|\eta_\phi(x)\| = 1$   $\mu_\phi$ -almost everywhere.

Now note that the evaluation map  $\varepsilon_x : E \rightarrow E_x, \sigma \mapsto \sigma(x)$  is a quotient map of Banach spaces with kernel  $N_{\{x\}}$  (this result is due to M. Dupre, see also [4, 2.10]). Hence, by duality, we may identify  $E'_x$  with a subspace of  $E'$ . Once we have carried out this identification, equations like  $\phi(\sigma) = \phi(\sigma(x))$  become meaningful, provided that  $\phi \in E'_x$ . Thus, if we can show that  $\eta_\phi(x) \in E'_x$  for almost all  $x \in X$ , then we will have represented  $\phi$  via integration in the desired fashion.

**PROPOSITION 2.1.** *Let  $\phi \in E$  be given.*

(i) *For every  $\sigma \in E$  we have  $\eta_\phi(x)(\sigma) \leq \|\sigma(x)\|$   $\mu_\phi$ -almost everywhere. Especially,  $|\phi(\sigma)| \leq \int_X \|\sigma(x)\| d\mu_\phi$ .*

(ii) *For every  $f \in C(X), \sigma \in E$  we have  $\eta_\phi(f\sigma) = (f\eta_\phi)(\sigma)$   $\mu_\phi$ -almost everywhere.*

**PROOF.** In order to verify (i), we have to show that, for every measurable  $M \in \mathcal{M}(E)$ , the inequality

$$\left| \int_M \eta_\phi(x)(\sigma) d\mu_\phi(x) \right| \leq \sup_{x \in M} \|\sigma(x)\| \int_M d\mu_\phi(x)$$

holds. This inequality may be rewritten as

$$(*) \quad |p_M(\phi)(\sigma)| \leq \|p_M(\phi)\| \sup_{x \in M} \|\sigma(x)\|.$$

We prove (\*): Let  $A \subset X$  be closed. Then  $p_A : E' \rightarrow N_A^\circ$  is an  $L$ -projection onto  $N_A^\circ = (E/N_A)'$ . Since we have  $\|\sigma + N_A\| = \sup_{x \in A} \|\sigma(x)\|$  (see [4, 4.5]), we obtain  $|p_A(\phi)(\sigma)| \leq \|p_A(\phi)\| \|\sigma + N_A\| = \|p_A(\phi)\| \sup_{x \in A} \|\sigma(x)\|$ .

If  $M \in \mathcal{M}(E)$  is arbitrary, then we have

$$p_M(\phi) = \lim\{p_A(\phi) : A \subset M, A \text{ closed}\}$$

(see [4,21.8]), hence the result follows in this case from continuity.

For a proof of (ii), we have to verify that, for every  $M \in \mathcal{M}(E)$ , the equation

$$\int_M \eta_\phi(f\sigma) d\mu_\phi = \int_M (f\eta_\phi)(\sigma) d\mu_\phi$$

holds. Thus, let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . For every integer  $n$  we define  $A_n = \{x \in M : n\varepsilon \leq f(x) < (n+1)\varepsilon\}$ . Using (\*) again, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_{A_n} (\eta_\phi(f\sigma) - (f\eta_\phi)(\sigma)) d\mu_\phi \right| \\ & \leq \left| \int_{A_n} (\eta_\phi(f\sigma - (n+1/2)\varepsilon\sigma)) d\mu_\phi \right| + \left| \int_{A_n} ((n+1/2)\varepsilon - f)\eta_\phi(\sigma) d\mu_\phi \right| \\ & \leq |p_{A_n}(\phi)((f - (n+1/2)\varepsilon)(\sigma))| + \int_{A_n} \frac{\varepsilon|\eta_\phi(\sigma)|}{2} d\mu_\phi \\ & \leq \|p_{A_n}(\phi)\| \sup_{x \in A_n} \|(f(x) - (n+1/2)\varepsilon)\sigma(x)\| + \varepsilon \|p_{A_n}(\phi)\|/2 \\ & \leq \varepsilon \|p_{A_n}(\phi)\|/2 + \varepsilon \|p_{A_n}(\phi)\|/2 \\ & = \varepsilon \|p_{A_n}(\phi)\|. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $M$  is the union of the  $A_n$  and since  $A \mapsto \|p_A(\phi)\|$  is countably additive, we obtain

$$\left| \int_M (\eta_\phi(f\sigma) - (f\eta_\phi)(\sigma)) d\mu_\phi \right| \leq \varepsilon \|p_M(\phi)\|.$$

Since  $\varepsilon > 0$  was arbitrary, this is as desired.

**3. The main result and applications to spaces of vector valued functions.** Let us consider again a bounded linear function  $\phi : E \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$  on a function module  $E$ . We construct the function  $\eta_\phi : X \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$  and the measure  $\mu_\phi$  as in §2. We then know from (2.1.(i)) that  $|\eta_\phi(\sigma)| \leq \|\sigma(x)\|$  for all  $x \in X \setminus N$ , where  $N$  is a set of measure 0 depending on  $\sigma$ . Let us suppose for a moment that the set  $N$  would not depend on  $\sigma$ . Then we could set  $\eta_\phi(x) = 0$  for  $x \in N$ . We would obtain  $|\eta_\phi(x)(\sigma)| \leq \|\sigma(x)\|$ . Especially,  $\sigma(x) = 0$  would imply  $\eta_\phi(\sigma) = 0$ , i.e.,  $\eta_\phi(x) \in N'_{\{x\}} = E'_x$ . We could write  $\phi(\sigma) = \int_X \eta_\phi(x)(\sigma(x)) d\mu_\phi(x)$  and we would have found an integral representation of  $\phi$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.1.** *Let  $E$  be again a function module over a compact base space  $X$  and let  $\phi : E \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$  be bounded linear functional. Furthermore, assume that  $E$  admits a subspace  $F$  such that*

- (a)  $|\eta_\phi(x)(\sigma)| \leq \|\sigma(x)\|$  for all  $x \in X, \sigma \in F$ ;
- (b)  $\{\sigma(x) : \sigma \in F\}$  is dense in the stalk  $E_x$  for every  $x \in X$ . Then there is a mapping  $\xi : X \rightarrow E'$  such that
  - (i)  $\|\xi(x)\| \leq 1$  for all  $x \in X$ ,
  - (ii)  $\xi(x) \in E'_x$  for all  $x \in X$ ,
  - (iii)  $p_M(\phi)(\sigma) = \int_M \xi(x)(\sigma(x))d\mu_\phi(x)$  for all  $\sigma \in E, M \in \mathcal{M}(E)$ .

PROOF. For a given  $x \in X$  let  $F_x = \{\sigma(x) : \sigma \in F\}$ . We define a linear functional on  $F_x$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_x : F_x &\rightarrow \mathcal{R} \\ \sigma(x) &\mapsto \eta_\phi(x)(\sigma). \end{aligned}$$

Then property (a) implies that  $\xi_x$  is well defined and has norm no larger than 1. Let  $\xi(x) : E_x \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$  be the unique continuous extension of  $\xi_x$  to  $F_x$ . Clearly,  $\|\xi(x)\| \leq 1$  for all  $x \in X$ . It remains to show that the function  $x \mapsto \xi(x)(\sigma(x))$  is  $\mu_\phi$ -integrable for every  $\sigma \in E$  and that (iii) holds. First notice that it is enough to verify that for every  $\sigma \in E$  we have  $\xi(x)(\sigma(x)) = \eta_\phi(x)(\sigma)$ ,  $\mu_\phi$ -almost everywhere. We will consider three cases.

Case 1. ( $\sigma \in F$ ). In this case we even have  $\xi(x)(\sigma(x)) = \eta_\phi(x)(\sigma)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

Case 2. ( $\sigma = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i \sigma_i$ , where  $f_i \in C(X), \sigma_i \in F, 1 \leq i \leq n$ ). We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \xi(x)(\sigma(x)) &= \xi(x)\left(\sum_{i=1}^n (f_i \sigma_i)(x)\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x)\xi(x)(\sigma_i(x)) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x)\eta_\phi(x)(\sigma_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n (f_i \eta_\phi)(x)(\sigma_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_\phi(x)(f_i \sigma_i) \quad \mu_\phi\text{-almost everywhere by (2.1)} \\ &= \eta(x)\left(\sum_{i=1}^n f_i \sigma_i\right) = \eta(x)(\sigma). \end{aligned}$$

Case 3. ( $\sigma \in E$  arbitrary). Since by the Stone-Weierstrass theorem for bundles (see [4,4.3]) the elements of the form  $\sum_{i=1}^n f_i \sigma_i, f_i \in C(X), \sigma_i \in F$  are norm dense in  $F$ , this case follows from Case 2 and

the fact that a countable union of sets of measure 0 is again of measure 0.

In order to formulate the next theorem, we need another notation. Let us suppose that we are given a function module  $E$  over  $X$  and let us assume that  $E$  admits a countable subspace  $F \subset E$  such that  $F_x = \{\sigma(x) : \sigma \in F\}$  is dense in the stalk over  $x$  for every  $x \in X$ . In this case we will call  $E$  a *uniformly separable function module*. Examples for uniformly separable function modules are spaces of the form  $C(X), C(X, G)$ , where  $G$  is separable in the usual sense, and spaces of section in locally trivial  $n$ -dimensional vector bundles.

**THEOREM 3.2.** *Let  $E$  be a uniformly separable function module and let  $\phi : E \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$  be a bounded linear functional. Then there exists a regular Borel measure  $\mu_\phi$  on  $X$  and a family  $\xi_\phi(x) \in E'_x$  of linear functionals on the stalks of norm at most 1 such that*

- (i)  $x \mapsto \xi_\phi(x)(\sigma(x))$  is Borel-measurable for every  $\sigma \in E$ ,
- (ii)  $\phi(\sigma) = \int_X \xi_\phi(x)(\sigma(x)) d\mu_\phi(x)$ .

**PROOF.** Since  $E$  is uniformly separable, we can find a countable subspace  $F_0 \subset E$  over the field of rationals such that  $\{\sigma(x) : \sigma \in F_0\}$  is dense in  $E_x$  for every  $x \in X$ . Let  $\eta_\phi$  be constructed as in §2. Using (2.1), we can find a set  $N \subset X$  of  $\mu_\phi$ -measure 0 such that  $|\eta_\phi(x)(\sigma)| \leq \|\sigma(x)\|$  holds for all  $x \in X \setminus N$  and all  $\sigma \in F_0$ . We alter the function  $\eta_\phi : X \rightarrow E'$  on  $N$  by letting it be constant 0 there. Hence we may assume that

$$|\eta_\phi(x)(\sigma)| \leq \|\sigma(x)\| \text{ for all } x \in X \text{ and all } \sigma \in F_0.$$

Clearly, this last inequality carries over to the uniform closure  $F$  of  $F_0$  which is a real subspace of  $E$  satisfying the conditions (a) and (b) of (3.1). Hence (3.1) yields all the assertions of (3.2) with the exception of the Borel-measurability of the functions  $x \mapsto \xi_\phi(x)(\sigma(x)), \sigma \in E$ . The fact that we indeed can choose  $\xi_\phi$  to be weak-\*Borel measurable follows as in [4, 21.21].

Let us close these notes by pointing out a few applications of (3.1) and (3.2). Firstly, in the case where  $E = C(X, G)$  we do not have to insist on  $E$  being uniformly separable, or, equivalently, on  $G$  being separable. In this case, the constant functions  $c_u, u \in G$ , form a subspace  $F \subset C(E, G)$  satisfying the assumptions of (3.1).

**COROLLARY 3.3.** *Let  $X$  be a compact space and let  $G$  be a Banach space. Then for every bounded linear functional  $\phi$  on  $C(X, G)$  there*

exists a positive regular Borel measure  $\mu_\phi$  and a weak- $*$ - $\mu_\phi$ -integrable function  $\xi_\phi : X \rightarrow G'$  such that  $\phi(\sigma) = \int_X \xi_\phi(x)(\sigma(x))d\mu_\phi(x)$  for every  $\sigma \in C(X, G)$ . If  $G$  is separable, then  $\xi_\phi$  can be chosen to be weak- $*$ -Borel measurable.

Our next corollary deals with weighted function spaces. Again, let  $X$  be a compact space and let  $\omega : X \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$  be a strictly positive upper semicontinuous function. Let  $C_\omega(X)$  be the completion of  $C(X)$  in the norm

$$\|f\|_\omega = \sup_{x \in X} \omega(x)|f(x)|.$$

Then  $C_\omega(X)$  is a uniformly separable function module over  $X$ . All the stalks of this function module are isomorphic to  $\mathcal{R}$ .

**COROLLARY 3.4.**  $C_\omega(X)' \simeq M(X)$ . Under this identification, a regular Borel measure  $\mu$  operators on  $C_\omega(X)$  by  $\sigma \mapsto \int_X \omega(x)\sigma(x)d\mu(x)$ .

It should be pointed out that these corollaries are of course not new. These results may be found in the papers of R. Buck [2], J. Wells [17], W. Summers [16], and G. Kleinstuck [8].

Our last application deals with Grothendieck's  $G$ -spaces. Recall that a closed linear subspace  $G \subset C(K)$ ,  $K$  compact, is called a  $G$ -space, provided that there are triples  $(x_i, y_i, r_i) \in K \times K \times \mathcal{R}$ ,  $i \in I$ , such that  $G = \{f \in C(K) : f(x_i) = r_i f(y_i) \text{ for all } i \in I\}$ . In order to avoid technical difficulties, we will assume that 0 is not in the weak- $*$ -closure of the extreme points of the dual unit ball of  $G$ ; as a matter of fact, every  $G$ -space can be 'approximated' by  $G$ -spaces with this property. In this case  $G$  can be represented as a function module over a compact space  $X$  with one-dimensional stalks in such a way that all extreme points of the dual unit ball are given by point evaluations at points  $x \in X$  (see [12, 3.6(vi)] and [12, 4.1]). Let us call this representation the *canonical representation* of  $G$ .

An integral representation for linear functionals on  $G$ -spaces is known in the separable case [12]. We are now able to extend these results in the following way:

**COROLLARY 3.5.** Let  $G$  be a  $G$ -space such that 0 is not a weak- $*$ -limit of the extreme points of the dual unit ball. Assume that  $G$  is represented in the canonical way as a function module over a compact space  $X$ . Then for every bounded linear function  $\phi$  on  $G$  there exists a



positive Borel measure  $\mu$  on  $X$  and a family  $(\xi_x \in E'_x \simeq \mathcal{R})_{x \in X}$  such that

- (i)  $x \mapsto \xi_x(\sigma(x))$  is Borel measurable for every  $\sigma \in G$ .
- (ii)  $\phi(\sigma) = \int_X \xi_x(\sigma(x)) d\mu(x)$ .

PROOF. We only have to show that the canonical function module representing  $G$  is uniformly separable. To this end, let  $U \subset G'$  be a weak- $*$ -open neighborhood of 0 missing all extreme points of the dual unit ball. We then can pick  $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n \in G$  such that  $\{\psi \in G' : |\psi(\sigma_i)| < 1, 1 \leq i \leq n\} \subset U$ . Hence for every extreme point  $\pi$  of the dual unit ball there exists an  $i$  such that  $|\pi(\sigma_i)| \geq 1$ . For the canonical function module, the extreme points are exactly the mappings  $\pm \varepsilon_x, x \in X$ , where  $\varepsilon_x$  denotes point evaluation. We now may conclude that for every  $x \in X$  there is an  $1 \leq i \leq n$  such that  $\sigma_i(x) \neq 0$ . It follows that the rational linear span of  $\{\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n\}$  is a countable set  $F \subset G$  such that  $\{\sigma(x) : \sigma \in F\}$  is dense in the stalk  $E_x \simeq \mathcal{R}$  for every  $x \in X$ .

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