

## A NOTE ON THE EXISTENCE OF SHAPE-PRESERVING PROJECTIONS

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ABSTRACT. Let  $X$  denote a (real) Banach space and  $V$  an  $n$ -dimensional subspace. We denote by  $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{B}(X, V)$  the space of all bounded linear operators from  $X$  into  $V$ ; let  $\mathcal{P}$  be the set of all projections in  $\mathcal{B}$ . For a given cone  $S \subset X$ , we denote by  $\mathcal{P}_S$  the set projections  $P \in \mathcal{P}$  such that  $PS \subset S$ . For a large class of cones  $S$ , we characterize when  $\mathcal{P}_S \neq \emptyset$ .

**1. Introduction and preliminaries.** The theory of *minimal projections* attempts to describe ‘optimal’ methods for extending the identity operator  $I$  from a Banach space  $V$  to an (Banach) overspace  $X$ . When  $V$  is of finite dimension there is no shortage of possible extensions, and one regards as optimal an extension of smallest possible operator norm. The possibility of extending  $I$ , or any linear operator, from  $V$  to  $X$  changes when we place the additional requirement that the extension leave invariant, or preserve, a particular set. By linearity, it is natural to choose the subset  $S \subset X$  to be a *cone*—a convex subset closed under nonnegative scalar multiplication. And, as is often the case,  $S$  is chosen so that its elements have in common a particular characteristic, or shape; indeed, we say  $f \in X$  *has shape* if  $f \in S$  (for example, see [2–4, 7]). Thus, if  $P : X \rightarrow V$  extends  $I$  and preserves  $S$ , i.e.,  $PS \subset S$ , then we say  $P$  is a *shape-preserving projection*. For fixed  $X$ ,  $V$  and  $S$ , we denote by  $\mathcal{P}_S$  the set of all shape-preserving projections from  $X$  onto  $V$ . We are interested in characterizing when  $\mathcal{P}_S \neq \emptyset$ .

The intent of this note is to generalize a characterization of  $\mathcal{P}_S$  given in [3]. We do so by significantly increasing the cones  $S$  for which the characterization is valid. In particular, we include the (rather common) case in which the intersection of the dual cone of  $S$ , defined below, and the unit sphere of  $X^*$ , the topological dual space of  $X$ , contains a weak\* null net.

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Throughout this paper, we will denote the ball and sphere of real Banach space  $X$  by  $B(X)$  and  $S(X)$ , respectively. For fixed positive integer  $n$ ,  $V \subset X$  will denote an  $n$ -dimensional subspace.  $\mathcal{B}(X, V)$  will denote the space of linear operators from  $X$  into  $V$  and  $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{B}(X, V)$  will denote the set of all projections. In a (real) topological vector space, a *cone*  $K$  is a convex set, closed under nonnegative scalar multiplication.  $K$  is *pointed* if it contains no lines. For  $\phi \in K$ , let  $[\phi]^+ := \{\alpha\phi \mid \alpha \geq 0\}$ . We say  $[\phi]^+$  is an *extreme ray* of  $K$  if  $\phi = \phi_1 + \phi_2$  implies  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in [\phi]^+$  whenever  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in K$ . We let  $E(K)$  denote the union of all extreme rays of  $K$ . When  $K$  is a closed, pointed cone of finite dimension we always have  $K = \text{co}(E(K))$  (this need not be the case when  $K$  is infinite dimensional; indeed, we note in [5] that it is possible that  $E(K) = \emptyset$  despite  $K$  being closed and pointed).

**Definition 1.** Let  $X$  be a (fixed) Banach space and  $V \subset X$  a (fixed)  $n$ -dimensional subspace. Let  $S \subset X$  denote a closed cone. We say that  $x \in X$  has *shape*, in the sense of  $S$ , whenever  $x \in S$ . If  $P \in \mathcal{P}$  and  $PS \subset S$ , then we say  $P$  is a *shape-preserving projection*; we denote the set of all such projections by  $\mathcal{P}_S$ . For a given cone  $S$ , define  $S^* = \{\phi \in X^* \mid \langle x, \phi \rangle \geq 0 \text{ for all } x \in S\}$ . We will refer to  $S^*$  as the *dual cone* of  $S$ .

Throughout the remainder of this paper we will consider  $X^*$  equipped with the weak\* topology. Note that  $S^* \subset X^*$  is a (weak\*) closed cone; we will assume throughout that  $S^*$  is pointed. The following lemma indicates that  $S^*$  is in fact “dual” to  $S$ .

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $x \in X$ . If  $\langle x, \phi \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $\phi \in S^*$ , then  $x \in S$ .*

*Proof.* We prove the contrapositive; suppose  $x \in X$  such that  $x \notin S$ . Then, since  $S$  is closed and convex, there exists a separating functional  $\phi \in X^*$  and  $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$  such that  $\langle x, \phi \rangle < \alpha$  and

$$(1) \quad \langle s, \phi \rangle > \alpha, \quad \forall s \in S.$$

Note that we must have  $\alpha < 0$  because  $0 \in S$ . In fact, for every  $s \in S$ , we claim

$$(2) \quad \langle s, \phi \rangle \geq 0 > \alpha.$$

To check this, suppose there exists  $s_0 \in S$  such that  $\langle s_0, \phi \rangle = \beta < 0$ ; this would imply

$$\left\langle \frac{\alpha}{\beta} s_0, \phi \right\rangle = \alpha$$

while  $(\alpha/\beta)s_0 \in S$ . And this is in contradiction to (1). The validity of (2) implies that  $\phi \in S^*$  and this completes the proof.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ . Then  $PS \subset S \iff P^*S^* \subset S^*$ .*

*Proof.* The proof is an immediate consequence of the duality equation  $\langle Px, \phi \rangle = \langle x, P^*\phi \rangle$  and Lemma 1.  $\square$

**2. Main result.** Lemma 2 indicates that in the search for shape-preserving projections on  $X$  we may work exclusively in  $X^*$ . This is attractive since, once we fix a basis  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  for  $V$ , every element of  $P \in \mathcal{B}(X, V)$  is completely determined by  $n$  elements  $u_1, \dots, u_n$  of  $X^*$  by expressing  $P = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \otimes v_i$  where  $Px = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle x, u_i \rangle v_i$ . In fact, we will be interested in the finite dimensional cone  $S_{|V}^*$ . Since  $\dim(V) = n$  we know  $\dim(S_{|V}^*) \leq n$ . Without loss, we can (and will) assume  $\dim(S_{|V}^*) = n$ ; indeed, suppose  $S_{|V}^*$  were  $k$ -dimensional where  $0 \leq k < n$ . If  $k = 0$ , then every projection onto  $V$  is shape-preserving and the (following) characterization theorem holds trivially. For  $k \geq 1$ , choose a basis for  $V$ ,  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  such that, for all  $\phi \in S^*$ ,  $\langle v_i, \phi \rangle = 0$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n - k$ . With this basis, we can express any projection  $P \in \mathcal{P}$  as  $P = u_1 \otimes v_1 + \dots + u_n \otimes v_n$  for some choice of  $u_i$ 's  $\in X^*$ . And thus we note that projection  $P : X \rightarrow V$  is shape-preserving if and only if projection  $P_1 : X \rightarrow V_1$  is shape-preserving where  $V_1 := [v_{n-k+1}, \dots, v_n]$  and  $P_1 = u_{n-k+1} \otimes v_{n-k+1} + \dots + u_n \otimes v_n$ . Therefore, we might as well assume  $S_{|V}^*$  is  $n$ -dimensional.

Before going forward it is necessary to place an additional assumption on the cone  $S^*$ ; we describe this property in the following definition. Note that, in the context of our current considerations, we say a finite (possibly) signed measure  $\mu$  with support  $E \subset X^*$  is a *generalized representing measure* for  $\phi \in X^*$  if  $\langle x, \phi \rangle = \int_E \langle s, x \rangle d\mu(s)$  for all  $x \in X$ . A nonnegative measure  $\mu$  satisfying this equality is simply a *representing measure*.

**Definition 2.** Let  $X$  be a Hausdorff topological vector space over  $\mathbf{R}$ , and let  $X^*$  be the topological dual of  $X$ . We say that a pointed closed cone  $K \subset X^*$  is *simplicial* if  $K$  can be recovered from its extreme rays, (i.e.,  $K = \overline{\text{co}}(E(K))$ ) and the set of extreme rays of  $K$  form an independent set (independent in the sense that any generalized representing measure for  $x \in K$  supported on  $E(K)$  must be a representing measure).

**Proposition 1.** *A pointed closed cone  $K \subset X^*$  of finite dimension  $n$  is simplicial if and only if  $K$  has exactly  $n$  extreme rays.*

*Proof.* It is widely known that a pointed closed cone  $K$  of dimension  $n$  has at least  $n$  extreme rays; let  $[y_1]^+, \dots, [y_n]^+$  be a linearly independent set of extreme rays of  $K$ . So to prove the necessity of the condition, it suffices to show that  $K$  has at most  $n$  extreme rays. To see this suppose  $K$  has  $n+1$  extreme rays; let  $[y_{n+1}]^+$  denote the  $(n+1)$ st. Because  $\dim(K) = n$ , there exist scalars  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$  such that  $y_{n+1} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i$ , where  $\alpha_i \neq 0$  for at least two  $i$ 's and at least one of these nonzero  $\alpha_i$ 's is negative (as each  $y_i$  belongs to a distinct ray). This gives a generalized representing measure for  $y_{n+1}$  supported on  $E(K)$  which is not a representing measure. Conversely, suppose  $K$  has  $n$  extreme rays. Choose linearly independent vectors  $y_1, \dots, y_n$ , one from each of the distinct  $n$  extreme rays. Then for any  $x \in K$ ,  $x = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i y_i$  where the  $\beta_i$  are nonnegative scalars (because  $K$  is a cone). The uniqueness of representation with respect to the basis  $\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$  implies that there exists no generalized representing measure for  $x$  supported on  $E(K)$  which is not a representing measure.  $\square$

Throughout the remainder of the paper, we will assume that  $S^*$  is simplicial.

The main result of the paper is contained in the following theorem. It says that in order for there to exist a shape-preserving projection, it is necessary and sufficient that the ( $n$ -dimensional) cone  $S^*_{|V}$  have exactly  $n$  extreme rays.

**Theorem 1.**  $\mathcal{P}_S \neq \emptyset$  if and only if the cone  $S_{|V}^*$  is simplicial.

For convenience, we will refer to the condition “ $S_{|V}^*$  is simplicial” as simply *the simplicial condition*.

We prove the sufficiency and necessity of the simplicial condition in Section 4. But before presenting this we include several motivating examples. Example 1 illustrates the primary advantage of working in  $X^*$  to determine when  $\mathcal{P}_S \neq \emptyset$ . Examples 2 and 3 showcase how the necessity of the simplicial condition can fail outside of the projection case. Specifically, despite the existence of a shape-preserving operator, we find, in one instance, that  $S_{|V}^*$  is not closed and in another case  $S_{|V}^*$  is closed but possesses too many extreme rays. Finally, Example 4 indicates that a seemingly natural generalization of Theorem 1 fails to hold; that is, if  $P \in \mathcal{B}$  and  $PS \subset S$ , it need not be the case that  $(P^*S^*)_{|V}$  is contained in a simplicial subcone of  $S_{|V}^*$ .

### 3. Examples.

**Example 1.** What is gained by working in  $X^*$  rather than  $X$ ? For example, suppose in determining if  $\mathcal{P}_S \neq \emptyset$ , we looked to the cone  $D = S \cap V$  for information (note  $D$  is the dual cone to  $S_{|V}^*$ ). Let  $X = C[0, 1]$  with the uniform norm  $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ ,  $V = \Pi_2$  (the space of quadratic algebraic polynomials) and  $S$  denote the cone of monotone increasing functions. Then  $D = S \cap V$  is a cone that looks like a three-dimensional ‘wedge’ containing the line of constant functions. In fact,  $D$  remains unchanged (in shape) if we change the overspace to  $X = C^1[0, 1]$  (with  $\|f\|_X = \max\{\|f\|_\infty, \|f'\|_\infty\}$ ). However, the cone  $S_{|V}^*$  changes significantly with a change of overspace—from not simplicial (see Example 2) to simplicial (see Example 3). This reveals that in the former case no shape-preserving projection exists, i.e., there is no monotonicity-preserving projection from  $C[0, 1]$  onto the quadratics, while in the latter case we essentially obtain a formula for a shape-preserving projection. In the proof of the sufficiency of the simplicial condition below, we will use the “edges” of  $S_{|V}^*$  to construct a shape-preserving projection.

**Example 2.** Let  $X = C[0, 1]$  with the uniform norm  $\|\cdot\|_\infty$  and  $S \subset X$  denote the cone of monotone increasing functions. An  $n$ -dimensional subspace  $V$  of  $X$  is said to be *monotonically complemented* if there exists a projection  $P : X \rightarrow V$  that leaves  $S$  invariant. This class of subspaces is studied in [4], where it is also shown that, for every positive integer  $k \geq 2$  the space of  $k$ -degree algebraic polynomials  $\Pi_k$  is not monotonically complemented. In fact, with  $V = \Pi_2$  we will now show that the cone  $S_{|V}^*$  fails to be closed. This happens despite the existence of the monotonicity-preserving (linear) operator  $B_2 : X \rightarrow \Pi_2$  which maps a continuous function to its second degree Bernstein polynomial (note the relative “closeness” of  $B_2$  to a projection: for  $i = 0, 1$ ,  $B_2x^i = x^i$  and  $B_2x^2 = (x^2 + x)/2$ ). Consider the cone  $S_{|V}^*$ ; since every element of this cone vanishes on the identically 1 function, we can regard  $S_{|V}^*$  as a subset of  $\mathbf{R}^2$  by associating each  $\phi_{|V} \in S_{|V}^*$  with the 2-tuple  $(\langle x, \phi \rangle, \langle x^2, \phi \rangle)$ . We claim that the ray determined by  $e_1 := (1, 0)$  does not belong to the cone. Suppose, to the contrary, that there exists  $\phi \in S^*$  such that  $\phi_{|V} = (1, 0)$ . Let  $m$  be an arbitrary positive integer and consider the function  $F(t) := mt^2 - G(t)$  where  $G(t)$  is any  $C^1$  function such that  $0 \leq G'(t) \leq 2mt$  for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ .  $F$  is monotone so  $\langle F, \phi \rangle \geq 0$ ; but  $G$  is also monotone and  $\phi$  vanishes on  $t^2$ . The only possibility then is that  $\phi$  vanishes on  $G$ . However, vanishing on all such  $G$  leads quickly to the conclusion that  $\phi$  is unbounded. Therefore, the ray determined by  $e_1$  does not belong to the cone and, moreover, the cone is not closed.

**Example 3.** Here we give an example in which  $S$  is preserved by an operator and  $S_{|V}^*$  is closed. However,  $S_{|V}^*$  will fail to be simplicial because the number of extreme rays of  $S_{|V}^*$  exceeds the dimension of  $S_{|V}^*$ . At the end of this example, we fulfill a promise of Example 1 and verify that  $S_{|V}^*$  is simplicial when  $V = \Pi_2$ . Let  $X = C^1[0, 1]$  with  $\|f\|_X = \max\{\|f\|_\infty, \|f'\|_\infty\}$  and  $V = \Pi_3 \subset X$ . Let  $S \subset X$  denote the cone of monotone increasing functions. Note that the third-degree Bernstein operator leaves  $S$  invariant. From the definition of  $X$ , we see that, for each  $t \in [0, 1]$ , derivative evaluation at  $t$  is a bounded linear functional; denote this functional by  $\delta'_t$  and thus  $\delta'_t \in S^* \subset X^*$ . In fact, for each  $t$ ,  $[\delta'_t]^+$  defines an extreme ray of  $S^*$  and moreover  $E(S^*) = \cup_{t \in [0, 1]} [\delta'_t]^+$ . Now, as done in Example 2, we

can associate  $S_{|V}^*$  with a cone in  $\mathbf{R}^3$  via  $\phi_{|V} \leftrightarrow (\langle x, \phi \rangle, \langle x^2, \phi \rangle, \langle x^3, \phi \rangle)$ . Consider the restriction of  $E(S^*)$  to  $V$ : in general, we always have  $E(S_{|V}^*) \subset E(S^*)_{|V}$ ; however, in our current setting, we have that  $E(S_{|V}^*) = E(S^*)_{|V}$ . Thus,  $E(S_{|V}^*) = \cup_{t \in [0,1]} [(\delta'_t)_{|V}]^+$  and so  $S_{|V}^*$  has infinitely many extreme rays. That  $S_{|V}^*$  is closed follows from the observation that the convex hull of  $\{(\delta'_t)_{|V}\}_{t \in [0,1]}$  is a compact set that misses the origin. Notice the change in  $S_{|V}^*$  if we replace  $V = \Pi_3$  with  $V = \Pi_2$ ; in this case  $S_{|V}^*$  becomes a closed two-dimensional cone with

$$(\delta'_t)_{|V} = t(\delta'_1)_{|V} + (1 - t)(\delta'_0)_{|V}$$

and thus it is simplicial.

**Example 4.** If  $P \in \mathcal{P}_S$ , then, as shown in the proof of Theorem 1, the cone  $P^*S^*$  must be simplicial. Suppose  $A \in \mathcal{B}$  and  $AS \subset S$ ; then  $A^*S^* \subset S^*$  and so  $(A^*S^*)_{|V} \subset S_{|V}^*$ . While neither  $(A^*S^*)_{|V}$  nor  $S_{|V}^*$  need be simplicial, one might hope that  $(A^*S^*)_{|V}$  must belong to a simplicial *subcone* of  $S_{|V}^*$ . We now show this is not the case. Let  $X$  be a Banach space with three-dimensional subspace  $V = [v_1, v_2, v_3]$  and dual space  $X^*$ . We define the shape using four dual elements. Choose  $\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3 \in X^*$  so that  $\langle v_i, \phi_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$ . Choose a fourth element  $\phi_4$  so that

$$\langle v_1, \phi_4 \rangle = -1 \quad \text{and} \quad \langle v_2, \phi_4 \rangle = \langle v_3, \phi_4 \rangle = 1$$

(thus  $S^* = \text{cone}(\{\phi_i\}_{i=1}^4)$ ). Let  $A = \sum_{i=1}^3 u_i \otimes v_i \in \mathcal{B}$  where

$$u_1 = \phi_1 + \phi_2, \quad u_2 = \phi_1 + \phi_3, \quad \text{and} \quad u_3 = \phi_2 + \phi_4.$$

To show  $AS \subset S$ , we need only establish  $A^*S^* \subset S^*$ ; thus, with  $A^*\phi_j = \sum_{i=1}^3 u_i \langle v_i, \phi_j \rangle$ , we note

$$\begin{aligned} (3) \quad & A^*\phi_1 = u_1 = \phi_1 + \phi_2 \\ & A^*\phi_2 = u_2 = \phi_1 + \phi_3 \\ & A^*\phi_3 = u_3 = \phi_2 + \phi_4 \\ & A^*\phi_4 = -u_1 + u_2 + u_3 = \phi_3 + \phi_4. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $A^*S^* \subset S^*$ . However, we claim that every subcone of  $S_{|V}^*$  possessing exactly three extreme rays fails to contain  $(A^*S^*)_{|V}$ . Now

the extreme rays of  $A^*_{|V}$  are precisely  $[\phi_{i|V}]^+$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, 4$ ; and thus the extreme rays of  $(A^*S^*)_{|V}$  are  $[A^*\phi_{i|V}]^+$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, 4$ . From (3) we see that each of these extreme rays belongs to a distinct two-dimensional face of  $S^*_{|V}$ . Therefore, no simplicial (3-edged) subcone of  $S^*_{|V}$  can contain  $(A^*S^*)_{|V}$ .

**4. Lemmas and proofs.** The following lemma establishes the sufficiency of the simplicial condition. While Theorem 1 is proven under the assumption that  $S^*$  is simplicial, we note that the proof of Lemma 3 does not require this assumption.

**Lemma 3.** *If  $S^*_{|V}$  is simplicial, then  $\mathcal{P}_S \neq \emptyset$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose the number of extreme rays of  $S^*_{|V}$  equals  $n$ . Choose one (nonzero) point from each ray and label the points as  $u_{1|V}, \dots, u_{n|V}$ . Thus, we have

$$(4) \quad S^*_{|V} = \text{cone}(u_{1|V}, \dots, u_{n|V}).$$

Let  $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_n) \in (S^*)^n$  and  $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, \dots, v_n)^T$  be a basis for  $V$ ; note that we may then write  $\langle \mathbf{v}, u \rangle = \langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} \rangle \mathbf{c}_u$  where  $\mathbf{c}_u$  is the vector of nonnegative coefficients guaranteed by (4). Since  $S^*_{|V}$  has  $n$  independent elements, the matrix  $M = \langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} \rangle$  is nonsingular. Thus we may solve for  $\mathbf{c}_u$  and write  $\mathbf{c}_u = M^{-1} \langle \mathbf{v}, u \rangle$ . Let  $P := \mathbf{u}M^{-1} \otimes \mathbf{v}$ ; obviously,  $P$  is a projection from  $X$  into  $V$ . Moreover, for any  $u \in S^*$ , we have  $P^*u = \mathbf{u}M^{-1} \langle \mathbf{v}, u \rangle \in S^*$  since  $M^{-1} \langle \mathbf{v}, u \rangle$  has nonnegative entries. By Lemma 2 the proof is complete.  $\square$

To establish the necessity of the simplicial condition will require more work. The approach we take is to attempt to represent, in a useful way, elements of  $S^*$  using only points that belong to extreme rays of  $S^*$ . To facilitate this, we define  $E_1 := E(S^*) \cap S(X^*)$ . One might hope that every element of  $S^*$  can be written as a positive scalar multiple of an element from  $\overline{\text{co}}(E_1)$  (where the closure is taken with respect to the weak\* topology). However this is not always possible. For example, consider  $X = l_2$  and  $S^* \subset X^* = l_2$  consisting of all nonnegative sequences.  $S^*$  is clearly a simplicial cone and  $E(S^*) = \cup_{i \in \mathbf{N}} [e_i]^+$



where  $e_i(j) = \delta_{ij}$ . Note that  $\overline{\text{co}}(E_1)$  contains only summable sequences ( $x \in l_2$  is summable if  $\sum_i x(i)$  is finite valued). But of course  $S^*$  contains sequences which are *strictly* square summable, i.e., sequences  $x(i)$  which are not summable but for which  $(x(i)^2)$  is summable, and thus it is exactly these elements that cannot be expressed as positive scalar multiples of elements from  $\overline{\text{co}}(E_1)$ . The following proposition gives a condition which will allow (a set homeomorphic to)  $\overline{\text{co}}(E_1)$  to ‘reach’ every element of  $S^*$ . Note in the following that all closures are taken with respect to the weak\* topology.

**Proposition 2.** *Let  $E_1 = E(S^*) \cap S(X^*)$ . If  $0 \notin \overline{E_1}$ , then there exists a compact convex set  $C \subset S^*$  such that every element of  $S^*$  is a positive scalar multiple of an element from  $C$ . Moreover, distinct extreme points of  $C$  belong to distinct extreme rays of  $S^*$ .*

*Proof.* We construct the set  $C$  in two steps. First we define the cone  $K := \{\rho e \mid \rho \geq 0, e \in \overline{\text{co}}(E_1)\}$ . Note that  $K \subset S^*$ ; we claim  $K = S^*$ . From the definitions of  $K$  and  $S \subset X$ , it is clear that  $f \in S$  if and only if  $\langle f, \phi \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $\phi \in K$ . Therefore, if  $K$  is closed then, by an argument identical to that in the proof of Lemma 1, we will have  $K = S^*$ . We now verify that  $K$  is closed. To do this, we first establish that  $0 \notin \overline{\text{co}}(E_1)$ . From our assumption,  $0 \notin \overline{E_1}$  and therefore, by the Krein-Milman theorem,  $0$  is not an extreme point of  $\overline{\text{co}}(E_1)$ . Suppose  $0 \in \overline{\text{co}}(E_1)$ ; since  $0$  is not extreme there exists nonzero  $x, y \in \overline{\text{co}}(E_1)$  such that  $0 = x + y$ ; but this would imply that  $-x \in S^*$  and this contradicts the fact that  $S^*$  is pointed. Thus,  $0 \notin \overline{\text{co}}(E_1)$ . Now let  $\{y_\alpha\} \subset K$  be a net that converges to  $y$ ; we may write  $y_\alpha = \rho_\alpha e_\alpha$ , where  $e_\alpha \in \overline{\text{co}}(E_1)$ . By compactness, there exists a convergent subnet  $\{e_{\alpha_\beta}\}$  of  $\{e_\alpha\}$  possessing a nonzero limit point, call it  $e$ , contained in  $\overline{\text{co}}(E_1)$ . The (real) net  $\{\rho_\alpha\}$  is bounded and thus, passing to subnets if necessary, we have  $\rho_{\alpha_\beta} \rightarrow \rho$  for some  $\rho \in \mathbf{R}^+$ . Therefore

$$y = \lim y_\alpha = \lim y_{\alpha_\beta} = \lim \rho_{\alpha_\beta} e_{\alpha_\beta} = \rho e$$

and hence  $K$  is closed which implies  $K = S^*$ .

We begin the second step by noting that  $0$  and  $\overline{\text{co}}(E_1)$  can be strictly separated with a hyperplane  $H$ , i.e., there exists  $\alpha > 0$  and  $x \in X$  such that  $\langle x, \phi \rangle \geq \alpha$  for all  $\phi \in \overline{\text{co}}(E_1)$ . So  $H = x^{-1}(\{\alpha\})$ . Let

$$C := \{\alpha \phi / \langle x, \phi \rangle \mid \phi \in \overline{\text{co}}(E_1)\};$$

thus,  $C$  is the intersection of  $H$  and  $S^*$  and, as such, is convex and compact. Clearly every element of  $S^*$  can be (positively) scaled into  $C$ . Let  $T$  denote the set of extreme points of  $C$ . Since  $T \subset H \cap S^*$ , it is clear that distinct points of  $T$  belong to distinct rays of  $S^*$ . To see that the elements of  $T$  belong to extreme rays, i.e.,  $[T]^+ \subset E(S^*)$ , consider the set  $C_1 := \overline{\text{co}}(C \cup 0)$ . It follows from the definition of  $C$  that  $C_1$  is convex and compact, that  $S^* \setminus C_1$  is convex and that the set of nonzero extreme points of  $C_1$  is  $T$ . We show  $[T]^+ \subset E(S^*)$  by contradiction; let  $x \in T$  and assume  $[x]^+ \not\subset E(S^*)$ . Then  $x \in \text{co}([\phi]^+, [\psi]^+)$  for some  $\phi, \psi \in S^* \setminus [x]^+$ . The properties of  $C_1$  guarantee the existence of positive constants  $s, t \in \mathbf{R}$  such that  $s\phi, t\psi \in C_1$  and

$$(5) \quad s = \sup\{c \in \mathbf{R} \mid c\phi \in C_1\} \quad \text{and} \quad t = \sup\{c \in \mathbf{R} \mid c\psi \in C_1\}.$$

Finally consider the triangle formed by vertices  $0, s\phi$  and  $t\psi$ . If  $x$  belongs to this triangle then  $x$  is not an extreme point of  $C_1$  and we have a contradiction; if  $x$  fails to belong to the triangle, then there exist  $\hat{s} > s$  and  $\hat{t} > t$  such that  $x = \hat{s}\phi/2 + \hat{t}\psi/2$  which, by (5) and the convexity of  $S^* \setminus C_1$ , would imply  $x \notin C_1$ —again a contradiction. Therefore  $[T]^+ \subset E(S^*)$ .  $\square$

*Note 1.* Using the language of convex analysis, Proposition 2 verifies that  $S^*$  possesses a compact *base* whenever  $0 \notin \overline{E}_1$ . The discussion prior to the proposition illustrates that not every closed, pointed cone contains a base. A base is generalized by the notion of a *cap*: a compact, convex subset of a cone such that the cone, take away the subset, is still convex. An introduction to bases and caps can be found in [6] and a more definitive treatment in [1].

**Lemma 4.** *If  $\mathcal{P}_S \neq \emptyset$ , then the cone  $S^*_{|V}$  is closed.*

*Proof.* Let  $P \in \mathcal{P}_S$ , and let  $\mathbf{v} = [v_1, \dots, v_n]^T$  denote a fixed basis for  $V$ . Let  $\overline{P^*S^*}$  denote the closure of  $P^*S^*$ , and let  $P^*\phi \in \overline{P^*S^*} \subset P^*X^*$ . Choose a sequence  $\{P^*\phi_k\}_{k=1}^\infty \subset P^*S^*$  such that  $P^*\phi_k \rightarrow P^*\phi$ . Notice, by Lemma 2,  $\{P^*\phi_k\}_{k=1}^\infty \subset S^*$ .  $S^*$  is weak\*-closed and therefore  $P^*\phi \in S^*$ ; this implies  $P^*\phi \in P^*S^*$  since  $(P^*)^2 = P^*$ . Thus  $P^*S^*$  is closed. Note that  $P^*S^*$  is homeomorphic to  $(P^*S^*)_{|V}$  and thus  $(P^*S^*)_{|V}$  is closed. Finally, we claim  $(P^*S^*)_{|V} = S^*_{|V}$ . To verify this,

choose  $\phi \in S^*$ ,  $v \in V$  and consider

$$\langle v, P^*\phi \rangle = \langle Pv, \phi \rangle = \langle v, \phi \rangle,$$

where the last equality follows from the fact that  $P$  is a projection. But this equation simply says that  $P^*\phi$  and  $\phi$  agree on  $V$ , thus establishing the claim. From here we can conclude that  $S_{|V}^*$  is closed.  $\square$

**Lemma 5.** *If  $\mathcal{P}_S \neq \emptyset$ , then  $S_{|V}^*$  is simplicial.*

*Proof.* From Lemma 4 we have  $E(S_{|V}^*) \neq \emptyset$ . We will show that the number of extreme rays of  $S_{|V}^*$  is exactly  $n$ . Let  $P = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \otimes v_i \in \mathcal{P}_S$  and, from Lemma 2, we have  $P^*S^* \subset S^*$ . There is an obvious bijection between  $P^*S^*$  and  $(P^*S^*)_{|V}$ ; and from our work above in Lemma 4, we have  $(P^*S^*)_{|V} = S_{|V}^*$ . This implies that the number of extreme rays of  $S_{|V}^*$  is equal to the number of extreme rays of  $P^*S^*$ , which we now show must be  $n$ . Since  $P^*S^*$  is  $n$ -dimensional, there exists a linearly independent subset  $\{P^*w_1, \dots, P^*w_n\}$  such that  $[P^*w_i]^+ \in E(P^*S^*)$  for each  $i$ . We will now show that it is impossible for there to be any other extreme rays. Consider first the case that  $0 \notin \overline{E}_1$ . From Proposition 2 (and the positive scaling of each  $w_i$ ), there exists a compact set  $C$  such that  $P^*w_i \in C \subset S^*$  for each  $i$ . This implies that, for each  $P^*w_i$ , we have a representing (probability) measure  $\mu_i$  on  $C$  (in the sense of Choquet; see [6]) supported on a subset  $S_i$  containing extreme points of  $C$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} P^*w_i &= P^*(P^*w_i) = \sum_{j=1}^n \langle P^*w_i, v_j \rangle u_j \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \int_{S_i} \langle v_j, s \rangle d\mu_i u_j \\ (6) \qquad &= \int_{S_i} \sum_{j=1}^n \langle v_j, s \rangle u_j d\mu_i \\ &= \int_{S_i} P^*s d\mu_i. \end{aligned}$$

But each  $P^*w_i$  belongs to an extreme ray of  $P^*S^*$  and thus for  $\mu_i$  almost everywhere  $s \in S_i$  we must have  $P^*s = c_s P^*w_i$ , where  $c_s \geq 0$

(note that if  $c_s = 0$  then  $P^*s = 0$  and, consequently, we may remove such  $s$  from  $S_i$  and not affect (6)). Therefore, we may conclude that, for each  $i$ , there exists  $\widehat{S}_i \subset S_i$  such that

$$(7) \quad \mu_i(\widehat{S}_i) > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \mu_j(\widehat{S}_i) = 0 \quad \text{whenever} \quad j \neq i.$$

Now suppose there exists  $P^*w_{n+1} \in E(P^*S^*)$  such that  $[P^*w_{n+1}]^+ \neq [P^*w_i]^+, i = 1, \dots, n$ . Then the  $n$ -dimensionality of  $P^*S^*$  implies the existence of constants  $c_i, i = 1, \dots, n$  such that, for all  $x \in X$ ,

$$(8) \quad \langle P^*w_{n+1}, x \rangle = \langle c_1P^*w_1 + \dots + c_nP^*w_n, x \rangle.$$

Since each ray  $[P^*w_i]^+$  is extreme, it follows that there exists  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  such that  $c_i < 0$ . Let  $\mu = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i\mu_i$ , where each  $\mu_i$  is the representing measure from (6). Note from (7) that  $\mu$  is necessarily a signed measure. And finally, by rewriting (8) as

$$(9) \quad \langle P^*w_{n+1}, x \rangle = \int_{S_1 \cup \dots \cup S_n} \langle s, x \rangle d\mu,$$

we obtain a contradiction to the fact that  $S^*$  is simplicial, since  $\mu$  is a signed measure with support on  $E(S^*)$ . Thus we must have  $|E(P^*S^*)| = n$ .

In the case that  $0 \in \overline{E}_1$ , begin by writing

$$(10) \quad P = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \otimes v_i \quad \text{for} \quad P \in \mathcal{P}_S.$$

Via a change basis, we may assume  $u_i \in S^*$  for each  $i$  and recall, for each  $i, P^*u_i = u_i \in S^*$  since  $P \in \mathcal{P}_S$ . Consider the simplicial cone

$$Q^* := \overline{\text{co}} \left( \bigcup \{ [e_s + u_1]^+ \mid e_s \in E_1 := E(S^*) \cap S(X^*) \} \right)$$

and note that  $P^*Q^* \subset Q^*$ . By construction we have  $E(Q^*) = \cup \{ [e_s + u_1]^+ \}$ . Since  $S^*$  is pointed, and thus  $-u_1 \notin S^*$ , it follows that there exists  $\lambda > 0$  such that  $\lambda < \|e_s + u_1\| \leq 1 + \|u_1\|$  for every  $e_s \in E_1$ . Let  $\widehat{E}_1 := \{ e_s + u_1 \mid e_s \in E_1 \}$  (we regard  $\widehat{E}_1$  as the set of “normalized” extreme rays of  $Q^*$ , as we do for  $E_1$  relative to  $S^*$ ).

Now 0 is not in the weak\* closure of  $\widehat{E}_1$ , and thus, as in the previous case, we must conclude that  $Q_{|V}^*$  has exactly  $n$  extreme rays. And, since  $u_1 \in S^*$ , the cones  $Q_{|V}^*$  and  $S_{|V}^*$  must have the same number of extreme rays, which completes the proof.  $\square$

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