

# Two Equivalent Criteria for Modularity of the Lattice of All Physical Decision Effects

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**Abstract.** This paper answers the open question 1 of [3] in the affirmative and, conditionally, the open question 2 of [3], too. Assuming irreducibility of the orthomodular lattice  $G$  of all physical decision effects  $E$ , we shall prove in the first section that modularity of  $G$  implies symmetry of the physical probability function  $\mu$ . In the second section, we shall consider the filter algebra  $\mathcal{B}(B')$  being assumed to possess an involution  $*$  such that  $T^*T = \mathbf{0}$  implies  $T = \mathbf{0}$ . Then this will be proved: If every atomic filter  $T_p$  is a fixpoint of  $*$  and  $*$  is, in a restricted manner, norm-preserving on the minimal left ideal  $\mathcal{L}_p := \mathcal{B}(B') T_p$ , then  $G$  is modular.

## I. Modularity of $G$

This section completes the connection between a purely lattice-theoretical property of  $G$  and a symmetry property of the physical probability function  $\mu$  which induces the duality between the ensemble space  $B$  and the effect space  $B'$ .

Therefore we begin with a summary of the main results about the duality  $\langle B, B' \rangle := (B, B', \mu)$ :

(1)  $B$  is a real finite-dimensional base norm space having a proper generating cone  $B_+$  for which the compact convex set  $K$  of all physical ensembles  $V$  is a compact base.

(2) The (Banach) dual  $B'$  of  $B$  is an order unit space whose order unit is denoted by  $\mathbf{1}$ . Its proper positive cone  $B'_+$  is generated by the compact convex set  $L$  of all physical effects  $F$ .

(3) The extreme points  $E$  of  $L$  form an orthomodular lattice  $G$  and are called the decision effects of  $L$ . For all  $E \in G$ ,  $G(0, E)$  denotes the orthomodular lattice segment with  $0$  and  $E$  as zero and unit elements, respectively. The set of all atoms  $P$  of  $G$  is denoted by  $A(G)$ .

Further symbols, notations and definitions introduced in [2–4] will be used in the sequel without any explicit reference.

The implicit supposition for each proposition in this section is the following

**Postulate.** The orthomodular lattice  $G$  of all physical decision effects  $E$  is modular and irreducible. As shown by Ludwig in [6], the requirement of  $G$  being irreducible imposes no severe restriction on  $G$ . It is, above all, a mathematical convenience.

First we shall show that  $B(P \vee Q)$  is even an order unit space and thereby the assertion in question.

**Lemma 1.** *For any different atoms  $P, Q \in A(G)$  and every  $F \in L_{P \vee Q} \setminus \{0\}$  there hold the unique representations: either*

- (i)  $F = \beta R, \beta \in \mathbf{R}_+^*, R \in A(G(0, P \vee Q))$  or
- (ii)  $F = \beta' P \vee Q, \beta' \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$  or
- (iii)  $F = \beta_1 S + \beta_2 S^\perp, \quad \text{where} \quad \beta_1, \beta_2 \in ]0, 1[, \beta_1 > \beta_2 \quad \text{and}$   
 $S, S^\perp \in A(G(0, P \vee Q)).$

*Proof.* The trichotomy results from Ludwig's unique spectral decomposition of an effect  $F$  (cf. [6], Theorem 15). The fact that  $S, S^\perp \in A(G(0, P \vee Q))$  is a consequence of modularity of  $G(0, P \vee Q)$  whence we have the lattice-theoretical dimension statement  $\dim G(0, P \vee Q) = 2$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 2.** *For all  $P, Q \in A(G)$ :  $\text{co } A(G(0, P \vee Q))$  is compact.*

*Proof.*  $A(G(0, P \vee Q))$  is compact by Ludwig's Theorem 18 of [6]. Then  $\text{co } A(G(0, P \vee Q))$ , too, is compact (e.g. [9], Satz 3.10).  $\square$

**Theorem 1.** *For all  $P, Q \in A(G)$ :  $\text{co } A(G(0, P \vee Q))$  is a compact base of  $B'(P \vee Q)$ .*

*Proof.* Observing Lemma 2 we have only to verify that every  $Y \in B'(P \vee Q)_+ \setminus \{0\}$  has a unique representation  $Y = \alpha F$  where  $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$  and  $F \in \text{co } A(G(0, P \vee Q))$ . By Lemma 1 such a  $Y$  has a unique representation either by

- (i)  $Y = \alpha R, \alpha \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$  or by
- (ii)  $Y = \alpha' P \vee Q, \alpha' \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$  or by
- (iii)  $Y = \alpha_1 S + \alpha_2 S^\perp, \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$  and  $\alpha_1 \neq \alpha_2$ .

(i) satisfies the assertion trivially. By modularity of  $G$  we have for all  $R \in A(G(0, P \vee Q))$   $P \vee Q = R + R^\perp$ . So, if (ii) holds, then, by  $\frac{1}{2}(P \vee Q) = \frac{1}{2}(R + R^\perp) \in \text{co } A(G(0, P \vee Q))$ , there exists a unique  $\alpha'' \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$  such that  $Y = \alpha'' \frac{1}{2}(P \vee Q)$ . Supposing (iii) we obtain

$$Y = (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \left\{ \frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2} S + \frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2} S^\perp \right\},$$

where  $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$  is the required unique  $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$ .  $\square$

*Remark 1.* From Theorem 12 in [1] there follows that  $(B(P \vee Q), B'(P \vee Q))$  is a duality with completely analogous properties as  $(B, B')$ .  $(B, B')$  being a finite-dimensional duality,  $B(P \vee Q)$  is the Banach dual of  $B'(P \vee Q)$  for which  $P \vee Q$  is an order unit.

**Theorem 2.** For all  $P, Q \in A(G)$  there exists  $V_{P \vee Q} \in K_1(P \vee Q)$  such that

- (i)  $B(P \vee Q)$  is an order unit space with an order unit  $2V_{P \vee Q}$
- (ii)  $V_{P \vee Q} = \frac{1}{2}(V_R + V_{R^\perp})$  for all  $R \in A(G(0, P \vee Q))$ .

*Proof.* (i) Theorem 1 says that  $B'(P \vee Q)$  is a base norm space. Thus we can apply Theorem 5 of Ellis' paper [4] which states that, for the dual partial ordering,  $B(P \vee Q) = B''(P \vee Q)$  has an order unit norm. The order unit  $X_{P \vee Q}$  in  $B(P \vee Q)$  is strictly positive satisfying  $\langle X_{P \vee Q}, F \rangle = 1$  for all  $F$  in the order base  $\text{co}A(G(0, P \vee Q))$  of  $B'(P \vee Q)$  (cf. [4], Lemma 2 and Theorem 5).  $B(P \vee Q)$  itself being a base norm space,  $X_{P \vee Q}$  has a unique representation by  $X_{P \vee Q} = \beta V_{P \vee Q}$  with  $\beta \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$  and  $V_{P \vee Q} \in K_1(P \vee Q)$  being a compact base of  $B(P \vee Q)$ .

By Theorem 15 of Stolz [8]  $\partial K_1(P \vee Q)$  coincides with the extreme boundary  $\partial_e K_1(P \vee Q)$  of  $K_1(P \vee Q)$ . To prove that  $V_{P \vee Q}$  is an internal point of  $K_1(P \vee Q)$  let us assume  $V_{P \vee Q} \in \partial_e K_1(P \vee Q)$ . Then, as proved in [1], Theorem 4, there exists only one  $S \in A(G(0, P \vee Q))$  such that  $\langle V_{P \vee Q}, S \rangle = 1$ .  $\langle X_{P \vee Q}, R \rangle = 1$  for all  $R \in A(G(0, P \vee Q))$ , however, implies the contradiction  $1 = \langle X_{P \vee Q}, S^\perp \rangle = \beta \langle V_{P \vee Q}, S^\perp \rangle = 0$ . Therefore,  $V_{P \vee Q}$  must be a proper convex combination  $V_{P \vee Q} = \lambda V_S + (1 - \lambda) V_T$  with  $V_S, V_T \in \partial_e K_1(P \vee Q)$ . From  $\langle V_{P \vee Q}, P \vee Q \rangle = 1$  and  $\langle X_{P \vee Q}, \frac{1}{2}(P \vee Q) \rangle = 1$  we conclude that  $\beta = 2$  and so  $X_{P \vee Q} = 2V_{P \vee Q}$ .

(ii) From  $1 = \langle X_{P \vee Q}, S^\perp \rangle = \langle 2V_{P \vee Q}, S^\perp \rangle = 2(1 - \lambda) \langle V_T, S^\perp \rangle$  and  $1 = \langle X_{P \vee Q}, T^\perp \rangle = \langle 2V_{P \vee Q}, T^\perp \rangle = 2\lambda \langle V_S, T^\perp \rangle$  we infer  $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$ , hence  $V_T = V_{S^\perp}$  and  $V_{P \vee Q} = \frac{1}{2}(V_S + V_{S^\perp})$ . Consider any  $V_R \in \partial_e K_1(P \vee Q)$ .  $V_{P \vee Q}$  being internal, the unique line through  $V_R$  and  $V_{P \vee Q}$  intersects  $\partial_e K_1(P \vee Q)$  in  $V_R$  and  $V_{R^\perp}$  such that  $V_{P \vee Q}$  is a proper convex combination  $V_{P \vee Q} = \alpha V_R + (1 - \alpha) V_{R^\perp}$ . Then the same argumentation as above shows that  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $V_{R^\perp} = V_{R^\perp}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 1.** For all  $P, Q \in A(G)$ : any  $V \in K_1(P \vee Q) \setminus \{V_{P \vee Q}\}$  has a unique convex ortho-decomposition

$$V = \beta V_R + (1 - \beta) V_{R^\perp} \text{ with } R, R^\perp \in A(G(0, P \vee Q)) \text{ and } R \perp R^\perp.$$

*Proof.* (i) For any  $V \in \partial_e K_1(P \vee Q)$  the assertion is trivially valid with  $\beta = 1$ .

(ii) For any internal point  $V \in K_1(P \vee Q) \setminus \{V_{P \vee Q}\}$  consider the unique line through  $V$  and  $V_{P \vee Q}$  intersecting  $\partial_e K_1(P \vee Q)$  in  $V_R$  and  $V_{R^\perp}$  such that  $V$  and  $V_{P \vee Q}$  are proper convex combinations of  $V_R$  and  $V_{R^\perp}$ . Then Theorem 2 implies  $V_{R^\perp} = V_{R^\perp}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.** Relative to the supremum norm in  $B(P \vee Q)$  there holds for all  $R \in A(G(0, P \vee Q))$   $\|V_R - V_{P \vee Q}\| = \frac{1}{2}$ .

*Proof.* For all  $R \in A(G(0, P \vee Q))$  we have  $\|V_R - V_{R^\perp}\| = 1$  and  $V_{P \vee Q} = \frac{1}{2}(V_R + V_{R^\perp})$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.** For all  $P, Q \in A(G)$ :  $B(P \vee Q)_+$  is the convex hull of its extreme rays each of which being generated by an extreme point of  $K_1(P \vee Q)$ .

*Proof.* Since  $\partial K_1(P \vee Q) = \partial_e K_1(P \vee Q)$  (cf. [8], Theorem 15) and  $B(P \vee Q)_+$  is locally compact with compact base  $K_1(P \vee Q)$ , the assertion follows from a theorem of Klee [5].  $\square$

**Theorem 3.** For all  $P, Q \in A(G)$ : any

$$X \in B(P \vee Q) \setminus (B(P \vee Q)_+ \cup -B(P \vee Q)_+)$$

has a unique representation  $X = \beta_1 V_R - \beta_2 V_{R^\perp}$  with  $\beta_1, \beta_2 \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$ ,  $R, R^\perp \in A(G(0, P \vee Q))$  and  $R \perp R^\perp$ .

*Proof.* Since  $B(P \vee Q)_+$  is a convex body with  $V_{P \vee Q}$  in its interior, the unique line through  $X$  and  $V_{P \vee Q}$  intersects  $\partial B(P \vee Q)_+$  in a unique point  $\lambda V_R$  such that  $\lambda \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$ ,  $V_R \in \partial_e K_1(P \vee Q)$  and  $\lambda V_R$  lies in the open line segment  $]V_{P \vee Q}, X[$ . This follows from Lemma 3. Decomposing  $V_{P \vee Q}$  by  $V_R$  and  $V_{R^\perp}$ , we obtain  $\lambda V_R = \beta'_1 \frac{1}{2}(V_R + V_{R^\perp}) + \beta'_2 X$  with  $\beta'_1, \beta'_2 \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$  and  $\beta'_1 + \beta'_2 = 1$ . Hence  $X = \beta_1 V_R - \beta_2 V_{R^\perp}$  where  $\beta_1 := \frac{2\lambda - \beta'_1}{2\beta'_2}, \beta_2 := \frac{\beta'_1}{2\beta'_2} \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$  and  $\frac{2\lambda - \beta'_1}{2\beta'_2} > 0$ , too, by hypothesis.  $\square$

*Remark 2.* By Corollary 1 of Theorem 2 an analogous statement relative to Theorem 3 holds for

$$X \in B(P \vee Q)_+ \setminus \{\lambda V_{P \vee Q} \mid \lambda \in \mathbf{R}_+\} \quad \text{with} \quad \beta_1, -\beta_2 \in \mathbf{R}_+.$$

The corollary of Theorem 5 in [3] states the equivalence of the following postulates:

(1)  $\sum_{i \in \mathbf{N}_n} \beta_i P_i = 0$  iff  $\sum_{i \in \mathbf{N}_n} \beta_i V_{P_i} = 0$  with  $\beta_i \in \mathbf{R}$  for every  $i \in \mathbf{N}_n$  and any  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ .

(2)  $\langle V_P, Q \rangle = \langle V_Q, P \rangle$  for all  $P, Q \in A(G)$ .

(2) can be interpreted as a symmetry postulate of the physical probability function  $\mu: K \times L \rightarrow [0, 1]$  inducing the duality  $\langle B, B' \rangle$ .

Our further procedure will consist in verifying (1) relative to  $G(0, P \vee Q)$  provided  $G$  is modular and irreducible.

**Theorem 4.** For all  $P, Q \in A(G)$ : (1) is valid with  $P_i \in A(G(0, P \vee Q))$  for all  $i \in \mathbf{N}_n$ .

*Proof.* (i) Consider the non-trivial case where not all  $\beta_i$  vanish, and suppose  $\sum_{i \in \mathbf{N}_n} \beta_i P_i = 0$  with  $P_i \in A(G(0, P \vee Q))$  for all  $i \in \mathbf{N}_n$ . Theorem 2 implies  $0 = \sum_{i \in \mathbf{N}_n} \beta_i \langle 2V_{P \vee Q}, P_i \rangle = \sum_{i \in \mathbf{N}_n} \beta_i \langle V_{P_i} + V_{P_i^\perp}, P_i \rangle = \sum_{i \in \mathbf{N}_n} \beta_i$ .

Assume  $\sum_{i \in N_n} \beta_i V_{P_i} = :X \neq 0$ . There holds  $\langle X, P \vee Q \rangle = \sum_{i \in N_n} \beta_i = 0$ :

1)  $X \in B(P \vee Q)_+$  is impossible because  $X = \lambda V$  with  $\lambda \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$  and  $V \in K_1(P \vee Q)$  would imply  $\langle X, P \vee Q \rangle = \lambda > 0$ . An analogous contradiction can be derived from assuming  $X \in -B(P \vee Q)_+$ .

2)  $X \notin B(P \vee Q)_+ \cup -B(P \vee Q)_+$  admits, by Theorem 3, a representation  $X = \beta' V_R - \beta'' V_{R^\perp}$  with  $\beta', \beta'' \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$ ;  $R, R^\perp \in A(G(0, P \vee Q))$ . Using  $0 = \langle X, P \vee Q \rangle = \beta' - \beta''$ , we obtain  $\beta' = \beta'' = :\beta$ . Being the dual space of the partially ordered Banach space  $B'$  having an order unit norm,  $B$  has, by Theorem 4 of [4], the minimal decomposition property, i.e. every  $X_0 \in B$  can be decomposed into  $X_0 = X_1 - X_2$  such that  $X_1, X_2 \in B_+$  and  $\|X\| = \|X_1\| + \|X_2\|$ . Therefore  $X$  has a representation by  $X = \alpha_1 V_1 - \alpha_2 V_2$  such that  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$ ;  $V_1, V_2 \in K_1(P \vee Q)$  and  $\|X\| = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$ . Again from  $\langle X, P \vee Q \rangle = 0$ , there follows  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = : \alpha$  and thus  $X = \beta(V_R - V_{R^\perp}) = \alpha(V_1 - V_2)$ . From  $\|V_R - V_{R^\perp}\| = 1$  we infer that  $\|X\| = \beta = 2\alpha$ , i.e.  $\alpha = \frac{\beta}{2}$ . Hence we obtain

$$\langle X, R \rangle = \beta = \frac{\beta}{2} (\langle V_1, R \rangle - \langle V_2, R \rangle),$$

whence  $2 = \langle V_1, R \rangle - \langle V_2, R \rangle$ , contrary to  $|\langle V_1, R \rangle - \langle V_2, R \rangle| \leq 1$ .

(ii) Again, consider the non-trivial case  $\sum_{i \in N_n} \beta_i V_{P_i} = 0$ . By Theorem 2,  $B(P \vee Q)$  is an order unit space with an order unit  $X_{P \vee Q}$ , and  $\text{co} A(G(0, P \vee Q))$  is a base of  $B'(P \vee Q)$ . Thus  $\sum_{i \in N_n} \beta_i P_i = 0$  follows in a manner completely analogous to (i).  $\square$

**Corollary 1.** *For all  $P, Q \in A(G)$  there holds*

$$\langle V_P, Q \rangle = \langle V_Q, P \rangle.$$

*Proof.* The assertion is a direct consequence of remark 2 and the last Theorem.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.**  *$B'$  becomes a real Hilbert-space.*

*Proof.* Theorem 6 in [3].  $\square$

Combining these corollaries with Theorem 14 of [3] we can state the first main theorem:

**Theorem 5.** *Suppose that  $G$  is irreducible. Then there holds: Symmetry of the physical probability function  $\mu$  is equivalent with modularity of the lattice  $G$  of all physical decision effects  $E$ .*

*Remark 3.* Notice that no dimension requirement of  $G$  is necessary (except  $\dim G > 1$  to exclude triviality).

## II. Separating Involutions on $\mathcal{B}(B')$

This section investigates the connexion between the symmetry condition in [3] and a separating involution on the filter algebra  $\mathcal{B}(B')$  which leaves fixed all atomic filters  $T_P$  of the orthomodular filter lattice  $\mathcal{T}(G)$ . Henceforth we call an involution  $*$  on  $\mathcal{B}(B')$  *separating* iff  $T^*T = \mathbf{0}$  implies  $T = \mathbf{0}$ .

For the other terminology see [2]. There we proved in Theorem 13, its corollary and Theorem 14 that for every  $T_P$

(i)  $\mathcal{R}_P := \{X \otimes P \mid X \in B\} = T_P \mathcal{B}(B')$  is a minimal right ideal being linearly order isomorphic to  $B$ .

(ii)  $\mathcal{L}_P := \{V_P \otimes Y \mid Y \in B'\} = \mathcal{B}(B') T_P$  is a minimal left ideal being linearly isomorphic to  $B'$ .

Provided  $G$  is irreducible we gather from the Remarks 4 and 5 in [2] that  $\mathcal{B}(B')$  is generated by the orthomodular filter lattice  $\mathcal{T}(G) = \{T_E \mid E \in G\}$ . Thus it is plausible that the operation  $*$  is determined on the whole of  $\mathcal{B}(B')$  by the way it operates on  $\bigcup_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{T}(G)^m$  with  $\mathcal{T}(G)^m = \{T_{E_{i_1}} T_{E_{i_2}} \dots T_{E_{i_m}} \mid T_{E_{i_k}} \in \mathcal{T}(G) \text{ and } k \in \mathbb{N}_m\}$  for any  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Suppose that the relation  $*$ :  $\bigcup_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{T}(G)^m \rightarrow \bigcup_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{T}(G)^m$  defined by  $(T_{E_{i_1}} T_{E_{i_2}} \dots T_{E_{i_{m-1}}} T_{E_{i_m}})^* = T_{E_{i_m}} T_{E_{i_{m-1}}} \dots T_{E_{i_2}} T_{E_{i_1}}$  is a mapping. Then this mapping has all the multiplicative properties of an involution on  $\mathcal{B}(B')$  and every filter  $T_E \in \mathcal{T}(G)$ , being idempotent, remains fixed under  $*$ . To guarantee a unique linear bijective extension of  $*$  to the whole of  $\mathcal{B}(B')$  we additionally assume the validity of:

“For every  $T \in \bigcup_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{T}(G)^m$ :  $T^* = \mathbf{0}$  implies  $T = \mathbf{0}$ .”

(This extension condition holds always for  $\bigcup_{m \in \mathbb{N}} A \mathcal{T}(G)^m$ ; cf. [2], Theorem 18).

$*$  to be separating can be equivalently substituted by “For every  $T \in \mathcal{B}(B')$ :  $T^*T = \mathbf{0}$  iff  $TT^* = \mathbf{0}$ .”

For, if this equivalence is valid, then the right ideal  $\mathcal{R} := \{T \mid T \in \mathcal{B}(B') \text{ and } T^*T = \mathbf{0}\}$  of  $\mathcal{B}(B')$  is even two-sided. Simplicity of  $\mathcal{B}(B')$  then implies  $\mathcal{R} = \{\mathbf{0}\}$ , hence  $*$  is separating. The reverse direction of the equivalence asserted is trivial.

**Theorem 6.** *Suppose that  $G$  is irreducible. Then*

(i) *modularity of  $G$  implies the existence of a separating involution  $*$  on  $\mathcal{B}(B')$ ;*

(ii) *every filter  $T_E$  is a fixed element under this involution;*

(iii) *for all  $P, Q \in A(G)$ :  $*$  preserves the  $L$ -norm of  $V_P \otimes Q \in \mathcal{L}_P$ .*

*Proof.* (i) Corollary 2 of Theorem 4 states that  $B'$  becomes a real Hilbert space. Hence  $\mathcal{B}(B')$  becomes a  $C^*$ -algebra (Rickart's terminology, cf. [7]).

(ii) is the statement of Theorem 15 in [3].

(iii) For every  $P \in A(G)$  there holds  $V_P = P$  (cf. [2]). Therefore,  $\|P \otimes Q\|_L = \sup\{\|(P \otimes Q)F\| \mid F \in L\} = \sup\{\langle P \mid F \rangle \|Q\| \mid F \in L\} = \langle P \mid \mathbf{1} \rangle = 1$  and  $(P \otimes Q)^* = Q \otimes P$  imply  $\|Q \otimes P\|_L = \sup\{\|(Q \otimes P)F\| \mid F \in L\} = 1 = \|P \otimes Q\|_L$ .  $\square$

The converse will be verified by two steps.

**Lemma 4.** *If  $\mathcal{B}(B')$  possesses a separating involution  $*$  such that every  $T_P \in A\mathcal{T}(G)$  is a fixpoint of  $*$ , then there exists a linear isomorphism  $J_P: B' \rightarrow B$  being positive in both directions.*

*Proof.* Every  $T_P$  belongs to  $\mathcal{L}_P \cap \mathcal{R}_P = \mathcal{B}(B') T_P \cap T_P \mathcal{B}(B')$  and, being a fixpoint of  $*$ , there holds  $\mathcal{L}_P^* = \mathcal{R}_P$  and  $\mathcal{R}_P^* = \mathcal{L}_P$ . Hence  $*$  induces a canonical linear isomorphism  $J_P: B' \rightarrow B$  defined by  $V_P \otimes Y \mapsto J_P Y \otimes P = (V_P \otimes Y)^*$ . From  $T_P$  being a fixpoint of  $*$  we conclude that for every  $P \in A(G)$ :  $J_P P = V_P$ .  $J_P$  will be shown to be positive in both directions: From the Theorems 4.10.3 and 4.10.7 of [7] there follows that  $\langle \cdot \mid \cdot \rangle_P: B' \times B' \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is an inner product on  $B'$  which is defined by  $\langle Y_1 \mid Y_2 \rangle_P T_P = (V_P \otimes Y_2)^* \circ V_P \otimes Y_1 = \langle J_P Y_2, Y_1 \rangle T_P$ . We infer from its symmetry that  $J_P$  equals the transposed isomorphism  $J_P^*$  because  $B$  is finite-dimensional. Thus for all  $Y_1, Y_2 \in B'$ :  $\langle Y_1 \mid Y_2 \rangle_P = \langle J_P Y_2, Y_1 \rangle = \langle J_P Y_1, Y_2 \rangle$ . Since  $(V_P \otimes \mathbf{1})^2 = \langle V_P, \mathbf{1} \rangle V_P \otimes \mathbf{1} = V_P \otimes \mathbf{1}$ , so  $(V_P \otimes \mathbf{1})^{2*} = (J_P \mathbf{1} \otimes P)^2 = \langle J_P \mathbf{1}, P \rangle J_P \mathbf{1} \otimes P = J_P \mathbf{1} \otimes P$ , whence  $\langle J_P \mathbf{1}, P \rangle = 1$ . Hence for all  $P, Q \in A(G)$ :  $T_Q \circ J_P \mathbf{1} \otimes \mathbf{1} \circ T_P = V_Q \otimes Q \circ J_P \mathbf{1} \otimes \mathbf{1} \circ V_P \otimes P = \langle V_Q, \mathbf{1} \rangle \langle J_P \mathbf{1}, P \rangle V_P \otimes Q = V_P \otimes Q$  and therefore

$$\begin{aligned} J_P Q \otimes P &= (V_P \otimes Q)^* = T_P \circ J_P \mathbf{1} \otimes \mathbf{1} \circ T_Q = \langle J_P \mathbf{1}, Q \rangle V_Q \otimes P \\ &= \langle J_P Q, \mathbf{1} \rangle V_Q \otimes P. \end{aligned}$$

To ensure  $\langle J_P Q, \mathbf{1} \rangle \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$  we observe that  $0 < \langle Q \mid Q \rangle_P = \langle J_P Q, Q \rangle$  and  $(J_P Q \otimes P) Q = \langle J_P Q, Q \rangle P = \langle J_P Q, \mathbf{1} \rangle P$ . Thus for all

$$P, Q \in A(G): J_P Q = \langle J_P Q, \mathbf{1} \rangle V_Q = \langle J_P \mathbf{1}, Q \rangle V_Q \in B_+ \setminus \{0\}.$$

Since all  $V_Q$  generate  $B_+$  and all  $Q$  generate  $B'$ ,  $J_P^{-1}$  is also positive.  $\square$

**Lemma 5.** *In addition to Lemma 4, suppose  $G$  to be irreducible. Then for every  $P \in A(G)$  the positive isomorphism  $J_P$  is unique up to a positive multiplicative constant.*

*Proof.* For all  $P, Q \in A(G)$  and all  $Y_1, Y_2 \in B'$ : there exists a strictly positive (self-adjoint) linear operator  $A$  on  $(B', \langle \cdot \mid \cdot \rangle_P)$  such that  $\langle Y_1 \mid Y_2 \rangle_Q = \langle Y_1 \mid A Y_2 \rangle_P$ . This is a well-known fact from Hilbert space theory. Utilizing Lemma 4, we obtain for all

$$R, S \in A(G): \langle J_Q R, S \rangle = \langle R \mid S \rangle_Q = \langle R \mid A S \rangle_P = \langle A R \mid S \rangle_P = \langle J_P A R, S \rangle,$$

and so  $J_P A R = J_Q R = \langle J_Q \mathbf{1}, R \rangle V_R$ . This implies  $A R = \langle J_Q \mathbf{1}, R \rangle J_P^{-1} V_R$   
 $= \frac{\langle J_Q \mathbf{1}, R \rangle}{\langle J_P \mathbf{1}, R \rangle} R = \beta(Q, P) R$  with  $\beta(Q, P) := \frac{\langle J_Q \mathbf{1}, R \rangle}{\langle J_P \mathbf{1}, R \rangle} \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$ . Thus every  
 $R \in A(G)$  is a proper vector of  $A$  and  $A$  commutes with every atomic  
 filter  $T_R$ .  $G$  being irreducible, we may apply Theorem 20 of [1] to obtain  
 that  $A$  is a scalar operator. Therefore,  $J_P A R = J_Q R$  implies  $\beta(Q, P) J_P = J_Q$ ,  
 the desired result.  $\square$

**Lemma 6.** *Given the hypothesis of Lemma 5 and, additionally,  $J_P \mathbf{1} = J_Q \mathbf{1}$   
 for all  $P, Q \in A(G)$ . Then the symmetry condition  $\langle V_P, Q \rangle = \langle V_Q, P \rangle$  holds.*

*Proof.*  $J_P \mathbf{1} = J_Q \mathbf{1}$  implies  $\beta(Q, P) = 1$ , thus  $J_P = J_Q$ . Then, using  
 $J_P Q = V_Q$ , we have  $\langle V_P, Q \rangle V_Q \otimes P = T_P T_Q = (T_Q T_P)^* = \langle V_Q, P \rangle (V_P \otimes Q)^*$   
 $= \langle V_Q, P \rangle V_Q \otimes P$ .  $\square$

**Corollary.** *For all  $P \in A(G)$ ,  $J_P$  equals the canonical order iso-  
 morphism  $J$  of [3].*

*Proof.* [3], Theorem 5 and its corollary.  $\square$

**Theorem 7.** *Suppose  $G$  to be irreducible and  $\mathcal{B}(B')$  to have a separating  
 involution  $*$  such that for all  $P \in A(G)$ :  $T_P^* = T_P$ . Then, for all  $P, Q \in A(G)$ ,  
 these propositions are equivalent:*

- (i)  $\|V_P \otimes Q\|_L = \|J_P Q \otimes P\|_L$ .
- (ii)  $J_P \mathbf{1} = J_Q \mathbf{1}$ .
- (iii)  $\langle V_P, Q \rangle = \langle V_Q, P \rangle$ .

*Proof.* (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii): By Lemma 3 of [2] there holds

$$\|V_P \otimes Q\|_L = \sup \{ \|(V_P \otimes Q) F\| \mid F \in L \} = \sup \{ \langle V_P, F \rangle \mid F \in L \} = 1.$$

Using (i) and Lemma 5, we obtain  $\|J_P Q \otimes P\|_L = \beta(Q, P)^{-1} \cdot \|J_Q Q \otimes P\|_L$   
 $= \beta(Q, P)^{-1} \cdot \|V_Q \otimes P\|_L = \beta(Q, P)^{-1} = 1$ ; hence for all  $R \in A(G)$ :  $\langle J_P \mathbf{1}, R \rangle$   
 $= \langle J_Q \mathbf{1}, R \rangle$ , whence  $J_P \mathbf{1} = J_Q \mathbf{1}$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii): Lemma 6.

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i): By the corollary to Lemma 6 there holds for all  $P \in A(G)$   
 $J_P = J$ . This implies  $J_P Q = J Q = V_Q$  and so we arrive at  $\|V_P \otimes Q\|_L = 1$   
 $= \|V_Q \otimes P\|_L$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 1.** *If any of the equivalent propositions of Theorem 7 holds,  
 then  $G$  is modular.*

*Proof.* Theorem 14 of [3].  $\square$

Although, unless  $G$  Boolean, no filter of  $\mathcal{T}(G)$  can be additively  
 decomposed into atomic filters, we can state the

**Corollary 2.** *Every filter  $T_E \in \mathcal{T}(G)$  is a fixpoint of the involution  
 provided any proposition of Theorem 7 is valid.*



*Proof.* From Theorem 4.10.7 and the Corollary 4.10.8 in [7] we gather that every  $T^* \in \mathcal{B}(B')$  is the adjoint operator relative to the inner product  $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle_P$  on  $B'$  which was defined in the proof of Lemma 4. By Theorem 7, this inner product coincides with that which is induced on  $B'$  by the symmetry condition (cf. [3], Theorems 6 and 7). The assertion then follows from Theorem 15 in [3].  $\square$

**Lemma 7.** *A separating involution  $*$  on  $\mathcal{B}(B')$  such that for all  $P, Q \in A(G)$ :  $T_P^* = T_P$  and  $\|V_P \otimes Q\|_L = \|J_P Q \otimes P\|_L$  is unique.*

*Proof.* Since  $J_P = J$ , the adjoint operator of any  $T \in \mathcal{B}(B')$  relative to the inner product on  $B'$  by  $J$  equals  $T^*$  for every involution satisfying the hypothesis.  $\square$

*Remark 4.* At this stage of our deduction we think some motivating remarks on the preceding lemmata and theorems to be necessary. As represented in Rickart's monograph [7], for instance, (and already utilized extensively) a separating involution on  $\mathcal{B}(B')$  having minimal idempotents induces a Hilbert space structure on  $B'$ . Of course, this property then induces a canonical isomorphism between  $B'$  and  $B$ . However, it is not obvious that this isomorphism preserves order in both directions (not even in one). This is the reason why we additionally postulated  $A\mathcal{F}(G)$  to be a fixpoint subset of the separating involution given. As to the postulate concerning the  $L$ -norm we conjecture that there exists a separating involution on  $\mathcal{B}(B')$  leaving fixed every atomic filter but not possessing the  $L$ -norm property of Theorem 7. In fact, a perusal of the proof of self-adjointness of  $T_E$  reveals no restriction of  $J_P$  except for its positivity already ensured by the  $T_P$ -postulate. Therefore, only to require all filters of  $\mathcal{F}(G)$  to be fixpoints of a separating involution seems to impose no additional structure on the filter lattice  $\mathcal{F}(G)$ . We conjecture, but failed to verify that such an involution would necessarily pertain to a non-modular filter lattice.

A concluding theorem will summarize this paper and [3]:

**Theorem 8.** *For an irreducible lattice  $G$  of all physical decision effects, the following postulates are equivalent:*

(i) *The physical probability function  $\mu$  satisfies the symmetry condition: for all atomic decision effects  $P, Q$ :*

$$\mu(V_P, Q) = \mu(V_Q, P).$$

(ii) *The filter algebra  $\mathcal{B}(B')$  has a (unique) separating involution leaving fixed every atomic filter  $T_P$  and preserving the  $L$ -norm of  $V_P \otimes Q$  for all  $P, Q \in A(G)$ .*

(iii)  *$G$  is modular.*

*Proof.* (i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii): Theorem 15 of [3], Theorems 6 and 7 and Lemma 7. (ii) $\Rightarrow$ (iii): Corollary 1 of Theorem 7. (iii) $\Rightarrow$ (i): Theorem 5.  $\square$

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