

# Craig's Expository Talk Exercises.

**Exercise 2:** Suppose  $A = \mathcal{B}(H)$  and let  $a, b \in \mathcal{B}(H)$

$\xi \in H$ .

If  $\begin{pmatrix} I_H & a \\ a^* & b \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathcal{B}(H))^+$  then

$$\left\langle \begin{pmatrix} I_H & a \\ a^* & b \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -a\xi \\ \xi \end{pmatrix} \middle| \begin{pmatrix} a\xi \\ \xi \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \\ (-a^*a + b)\xi & \end{pmatrix} \middle| \begin{pmatrix} -a\xi \\ \xi \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle (-a^*a + b)\xi \mid \xi \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall \xi \in H$$

$$\Rightarrow b - a^*a \in \mathcal{B}(H)^+.$$

(Conversely, if  $b - a^*a \in \mathcal{B}(H)^+ \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b - a^*a \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathcal{B}(H))^+$ )

$$\text{Consider } \begin{pmatrix} I_H & a \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I_H & a \\ c & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathcal{B}(H))^+$$

$$\text{and } \begin{pmatrix} I_H & a \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^* \begin{pmatrix} I_H & a \\ c & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} I_H & 0 \\ a^* & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I_H & a \\ c & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} I_H & a \\ a^* & a^*a \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathcal{B}(H))^+$$

Thus since  $B(H)^+ + B(H)^+ \subset B(H)^+$ , we conclude

$$\begin{pmatrix} I_H & a \\ a^* & I \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(B(H)^+).$$

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Exercise 7:  $u: X \rightarrow Y$ ,

$$u_n: M_n(X) \rightarrow M_n(Y), \quad \sum_{ij} c_{ij} e_i^* \otimes x_{ij} \mapsto \sum_{ij} c_{ij} e_i^* \otimes u(x_{ij})$$

but  $a, b \in M_n$ . Then we have for  $x \in M_n(X)$

$$axb = \sum_{ij} c_{ij} e_i^* \otimes \sum_{kl} a_{ik} x_{kl} b_{lj}$$

In particular, the  $ij^{\text{th}}$  entry of  $axb$  is precisely

$$\sum_{kl} a_{ik} x_{kl} b_{lj}.$$

We then have,

$$u_n(axb) = u_n \left( \sum_{ij} c_{ij} e_i^* \otimes \sum_{kl} a_{ik} x_{kl} b_{lj} \right)$$

$$= \sum_{ij} c_{ij} e_i^* \otimes u \left( \sum_{kl} a_{ik} x_{kl} b_{lj} \right)$$

$$= \sum_{ij} c_{ij} e_i^* \otimes \sum_{kl} a_{ik} u(x_{kl}) b_{lj}$$

$$= a u_n(x) b.$$

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Exercise 4) but  $w \in M_n(V_X)$ .

$$w = \sum e_i e_j^* \otimes w_{ij}, \quad w_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{i11} & x_{i12} \\ y_{i21} & y_{i22} \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $w \in M_n(V_X) \subset M_n(M_2(A))$  we use the canonical shuffle to identify  $M_n(M_2(A)) \cong M_2(M_n(A))$ .

Under the canonical shuffle  $w \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \Lambda & X \\ Y & M \end{pmatrix}$   
w/  $\Lambda = \sum e_i e_j^* \otimes x_{ij}$ ,  $M = \sum e_i e_j^* \otimes y_{ij}$   
 $X = \sum e_i e_j^* \otimes x_{ii}$ ,  $Y = \sum e_i e_j^* \otimes y_{jj}$ .

In particular,  $u_n(w)$  under the canonical shuffle becomes  
$$\begin{pmatrix} \Lambda & u_n(X) \\ u_n(Y) & M \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus, we claim  $\begin{pmatrix} \Lambda & X \\ Y & M \end{pmatrix}$  is positive implies

$\begin{pmatrix} \Lambda & u_n(X) \\ u_n(Y) & M \end{pmatrix}$  is positive. This will prove complete positivity.

Is  $\begin{pmatrix} \Lambda & X \\ Y & M \end{pmatrix}$  positive if and only if  $\Lambda, M$  are positive,

self-adjoint and  $X=Y$ . Thus, we consider  $\begin{pmatrix} \Lambda & X \\ X & M \end{pmatrix}$

and let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Let  $\Lambda_\varepsilon := \Lambda + \varepsilon I_n$ ,  $M_\varepsilon := M + \varepsilon I_n$  so that both  $\Lambda_\varepsilon$  and  $M_\varepsilon$  are positive and invertible.

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Notice,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{\xi}^{1/n} & \\ & \mu_{\xi}^{-1/n} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{\xi} & X \\ X^* & \mu_{\xi} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{\xi}^{-1/n} & \\ & \mu_{\xi}^{-1/n} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{\xi}^{1/n} & \lambda_{\xi}^{-1/n} X \\ \mu_{\xi}^{-1/n} X^* & \mu_{\xi}^{1/n} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{\xi}^{-1/n} & \\ & \mu_{\xi}^{-1/n} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} I & \lambda_{\xi}^{-1/n} X \mu_{\xi}^{-1/n} \\ \mu_{\xi}^{-1/n} X^* \lambda_{\xi}^{-1/n} & I \end{pmatrix}$$

is positive (being conjugation of a positive element).

Thus,  $\|\lambda_{\xi}^{-1/n} X \mu_{\xi}^{-1/n}\| \leq 1$  (by Exercise 2)

By Exercise 3 we know  $\lambda_{\xi}^{1/n} u_n(X) \mu_{\xi}^{1/n} = u_n(\lambda_{\xi}^{1/n} X \mu_{\xi}^{1/n})$

and since  $u$  is a complete contraction

$$\|u_n(\lambda_{\xi}^{1/n} X \mu_{\xi}^{1/n})\| \leq 1.$$

By Exercise 2, this implies  $\begin{pmatrix} I & u_n(\lambda_{\xi}^{1/n} X \mu_{\xi}^{1/n}) \\ u_n(\lambda_{\xi}^{1/n} X \mu_{\xi}^{1/n})^* & I \end{pmatrix}$

is in  $M_2(M_n(\mathbb{B}))^+$ . Therefore, we know

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{\xi}^{1/n} & \\ & \mu_{\xi}^{1/n} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & u_n(\lambda_{\xi}^{1/n} X \mu_{\xi}^{1/n}) \\ u_n(\lambda_{\xi}^{1/n} X \mu_{\xi}^{1/n})^* & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{\xi}^{1/n} & \\ & \mu_{\xi}^{1/n} \end{pmatrix}$$

must also be positive in  $M_2(M_n(\mathbb{B}))^+$ . But the above becomes

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{\varepsilon}^{1/n} & \lambda_{\varepsilon}^{1/n} u_n(\lambda_{\varepsilon}^{1/n} \times M_{\varepsilon}^{-1/n}) \\ M_{\varepsilon}^{1/n} u_n(\lambda_{\varepsilon}^{1/n} \times M_{\varepsilon}^{-1/n})^* & M_{\varepsilon}^{1/n} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{\varepsilon}^{1/n} \\ M_{\varepsilon}^{1/n} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{\varepsilon} & u_n(x) \\ u_n(x)^* & M_{\varepsilon} \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(M_n(B))^+$$

This holds  $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & u_n(x) \\ u_n(x)^* & M \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(M_n(B))^+$ .

Thus,  $u: V_X \rightarrow M_2(B)$  is completely positive. G.E.D.