# Exercises - MQT

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Sheet 9

# 1 Exercise

Let  $P: \mathcal{B}(R) \to \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$  be a projection-valued measure. Let  $\Omega_1, \Omega_2, \Omega$  be Borel sets.

(a) By definition of complement  $\mathbb{R} = \Omega^c \sqcup \Omega$ \$ then

$$P(\Omega^c \sqcup \Omega) = P(\Omega^c) + P(\Omega) = P(\mathbb{R}) = 1$$

$$P(\Omega^c) = 1 - P(\Omega)$$

Now since  $\emptyset$  is the complement of  $\mathbb R$  then, by the previous result

$$P(\emptyset) = 1 - P(\mathbb{R}) = 0$$

(b) From the definition of disjoint union we have that  $(\Omega_1 \cap \Omega_2) \sqcup (\Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2) = \Omega_1 \sqcup \Omega_2$ , then:

$$P(\Omega_1 \cap \Omega_2) + P(\Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2) = P(\Omega_1) + P(\Omega_2)$$

$$P(\Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2) = P(\Omega_1) + P(\Omega_2) - P(\Omega_1 \cap \Omega_2)$$

(c) From the previous case we have that  $P(\Omega_1 \cap \Omega_2) + P(\Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2) = P(\Omega_1) + P(\Omega_2)$ , squaring the right-hand side of the equation we find:

$$P^{2}(\Omega_{1} \sqcup \Omega_{2}) = P(\Omega_{1}) + P(\Omega_{2}) + 2P(\Omega_{1})(\Omega_{2})$$

from which we observe that  $P(\Omega_1) \cdot (\Omega_2) = 0$  if the two sets are disjoint.<sup>1</sup> Then let us consider  $\Omega_1 = (\Omega_1 \setminus \Omega_2) \sqcup (\Omega_1 \cap \Omega_2)$  and similarly  $\Omega_2 = (\Omega_2 \setminus \Omega_1) \sqcup (\Omega_1 \cap \Omega_2)$  Then:

$$P(\Omega_1) \cdot P(\Omega_2) = (P(\Omega_1 \setminus \Omega_2) + P(\Omega_1 \cap \Omega_2)) \cdot (P(\Omega_2 \setminus \Omega_1) + P(\Omega_1 \cap \Omega_2))$$

Expanding the product we find that all the factors are multiplications between disjoint elements except for  $P^2(\Omega_1 \cap \Omega_2)$ , meaning that this is the only factor of

Let us call  $P_1 = P(\Omega_1)$ ,  $P_2 = P(\Omega_2)$ . Then using the properties of orthogonal projection  $P_1P_2 = (P_1P_2)^* = P_2^*P_1^* = P_2P_1$ . This allows us to write  $(P_1 + P_2)^2 = P_1^2 + P_2^2 + 2P_1P_2$ .

the multiplication which does not vanish, and by the properties of the orthogonal projection

$$P(\Omega_1) \cdot P(\Omega_2) = P^2(\Omega_1 \cap \Omega_2) = P(\Omega_1 \cap \Omega_2)$$

(d) Now let us assume that  $\Omega_1 \subset \Omega_2$  then:

$$(P(\Omega_1) - P(\Omega_2))^2 > 0$$

$$P^{2}(\Omega_{1}) + P^{2}(\Omega_{2}) - 2P(\Omega_{1})P(\Omega_{2}) = P(\Omega_{1}) + P(\Omega_{2}) - 2P(\Omega_{1})P(\Omega_{2}) > 0$$

Using the previous result we have that  $P(\Omega_1)P(\Omega_2) = P(\Omega_1 \cap \Omega_2)$  which in our case is just  $P_{\Omega_1}$ , then

$$P(\Omega_1) + P(\Omega_2) - 2P(\Omega_1 \cap \Omega_2) = P(\Omega_1) + P(\Omega_2) - 2P(\Omega_2) > 0$$

which gives us  $P(\Omega_1) < P(\Omega_2)$  Proving the statement.

# 2 Exercise

Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  be Borel measurable. We want to show that:

$$P(\Omega) = \chi_{f^{-1}(\Omega)}$$

is a projection-valued measure.

To show this we need to show that it satisfies the definition of projection-valued measure.

(1) 
$$P^{2}(\Omega) = \chi_{f^{-1}(\Omega)}^{2} = \chi_{f^{-1}(\Omega)} = P(\Omega)$$

from the definition of characteristic function. Moreover, since it is a real-valued function we have that:

$$P^*(\Omega)=\chi_{f^{-1}(\Omega)}^*=\chi_{f^{-1}(\Omega)}=P(\Omega)$$

(2) Now from the existence of the inverse,  $(f^{-1})$  we know that f must be bijective which implies that  $f^{-1}(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{R}$  and therefore

$$P(\mathbb{R}) = \chi_{f^{-1}(\mathbb{R})} = 1$$

(3) We now want to show that  $P(\Omega_1 \sqcup \Omega_2) = P(\Omega_1) + P(\Omega_2)$ , which is equivalent to show that  $f^{-1}(\Omega_1 \sqcup \Omega_2) = f^{-1}(\Omega_1) \sqcup f^{-1}(\Omega_2)$ . Let  $A \subset B \subset X$  and  $g: X \to X$  be a function. Taking  $x \in f(A)$ , and x = f(a) with  $a \in A$ . However, by hypothesis,  $A \subset B$  meaning that  $a \in B$  and  $f(a) \in f(B)$ , therefore  $x = f(a) \in f(B)$  showing that  $f(A) \subset f(B)$ . Now since

$$\Omega_1 \subset \Omega_1 \sqcup \Omega_2, \quad \Omega_2 \subset \Omega_1 \sqcup \Omega_2$$

we have

$$f^{-1}(\Omega_1) \subset f^{-1}(\Omega_1 \sqcup \Omega_2)$$

$$f^{-1}(\Omega_2) \subset f^{-1}(\Omega_1 \sqcup \Omega_2)$$

Meaning that

$$f^{-1}(\Omega_1) \sqcup f^{-1}(\Omega_2) \subset f^{-1}(\Omega_1 \sqcup \Omega_2)$$

Similarly if we take  $x \in \Omega_1 \sqcup \Omega_2$  then it will be either in  $\Omega_1$  or  $\Omega_2$  which means that  $f^{-1}(x) \in f^{-1}(\Omega_1 \sqcup \Omega_2)$  will be in  $f^{-1}(\Omega_1)$  or  $f^{-1}(\Omega_2)$  meaning

$$f^{-1}(\Omega_1) \sqcup f^{-1}(\Omega_2) \supset f^{-1}(\Omega_1 \sqcup \Omega_2)$$

and therefore  $f^{-1}(\Omega_1) \sqcup f^{-1}(\Omega_2) = f^{-1}(\Omega_1 \sqcup \Omega_2)$ . From the properties of the characteristic function we have

$$P(\Omega_1 \sqcup \Omega_2) = \chi_{f^{-1}(\Omega_1 \sqcup \Omega_2)} = \chi_{f^{-1}(\Omega_1) \sqcup f^{-1}(\Omega_2)} =$$
  
=  $\chi_{f^{-1}(\Omega_1)} + \chi_{f^{-1}(\Omega_2)} = P(\Omega_1) + P(\Omega_2)$ 

Which proves the statement.

### 3 Exercise

Consider the self-adjoint operator  $T=-\Delta$  with  $D(T)=H^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$  we define its PVM as:

$$P(\Omega) = \mathcal{F}^{-1} \chi_{\Omega}(k) \mathcal{F}$$

which satisfies the definition of PVM directly from the properties of the characteristic function. Moreover, given  $\psi \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$  then

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} |k|^2 \|\chi_{\Omega}(k)\psi\| dk$$

is bounded since  $\chi_{\Omega}(k)\psi\in L^2(\Omega)$  and  $|k|^2$  is just a constant. It is also possible to express

$$\langle \hat{\varphi}, -\Delta \hat{\psi} \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}} k \langle \hat{\varphi}, \chi_{\Omega}(k) \hat{\psi} \rangle dk$$

### 4 Exercise

Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$  be a bounded linear operator.

(a) Liouville's theorem from complex analysis says that any bounded analytic function  $f: \mathbb{C}to\mathbb{C}$  is constant. Using this fact we want to show that  $\sigma(T) \neq \emptyset$ .

We can look for a function g such that

$$\mathcal{F}^{-1}\mathcal{M}_a\mathcal{F}\psi = T\psi$$

which is equivalent to say

$$\mathcal{M}_a \mathcal{F} \psi = \mathcal{F} T \psi.$$

Taking the  $\mathcal{H}$  norm of both sides we have that:

$$\|\mathcal{M}_g \mathcal{F} \psi\| = \|\mathcal{F} T \psi\| = \|T \psi\| < C\|\psi\|$$

meaning that  $\mathcal{M}_g \mathcal{F}$  is bounded which is true only if g is bounded. Using Liouville's theorem we obtain that g must be a constant function, i.e. g(x) = c. From a previous exercise sheet we have that  $\sigma(T) = \sigma(UTU^*)$  and that  $\sigma(\mathcal{M}_g) = \overline{\operatorname{ran}(g)}$ . Now

$$\sigma(T) = \sigma(\mathcal{F}T\mathcal{F}^{-1}) = \sigma(\mathcal{M}_c) = \{c\}$$

proving that  $\sigma(T) \neq \emptyset$ .

(b) Let r(T) be the spectral radius of T, defined as

$$r(T) = \sup_{\lambda \in \sigma(T)} |\lambda|$$

We want to show that  $||T|| \ge r(T)$ .

Since it is bounded we know that

$$||T|| = \sup_{\psi \in \mathcal{H}} \frac{||T\psi||_{\mathcal{H}}}{||\psi||_{\mathcal{H}}} \ge \frac{||T\psi||_{\mathcal{H}}}{||\psi||_{\mathcal{H}}} = \frac{||\lambda\psi||_{\mathcal{H}}}{||\psi||_{\mathcal{H}}} = |\lambda| \frac{||\psi||_{\mathcal{H}}}{||\psi||_{\mathcal{H}}}$$

since it has to be true for all  $\lambda \in \sigma(T)$ :

$$||T|| \ge \sup_{\lambda \in \sigma(T)} |\lambda| \frac{||\psi||_{\mathcal{H}}}{||\psi||_{\mathcal{H}}} = \sup_{\lambda \in \sigma(T)} |\lambda| = r(T)$$

(c) Gelfand's spectral radius formula says that  $r(T) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \|T^n\|^{1/n}$  we want to show that  $r(T) = \|T\|$ . We want to show that since T is self-adjoint then  $r(T) = \|T\|$ .

We first want to show that  $||T^n|| = ||T||^n$  when T is self-adjoint. From the realtion  $||AB|| \le ||A|| ||B||$  we get that

$$||T^2|| = ||TT|| = ||T^*T|| \le ||T|| ||T|| = ||T||^2$$

Then

$$||T||^{2} = \sup_{\|\psi\|=1} ||T\psi||^{2} = \sup_{\|\psi\|=1} \langle T\psi, T\psi \rangle = \sup_{\|\psi\|=1} \langle TT\psi, \psi \rangle \stackrel{\text{c.s.}}{\leq}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{c.s.}}{\leq} \sup_{\|\psi\|=1} ||T\psi||^{2} ||\psi||^{2} = ||T^{2}||$$

Now using induction the statement follows. From the definition of limit we have that

$$|r(T) - ||T^n||^{\frac{1}{n}}| < \varepsilon$$

from what we just proved:

$$|r(T) - ||T||^{\frac{n}{n}}| = |r(T) - ||T||| < \varepsilon$$

meaning that

$$r(T) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \|T\| = \|T\|$$