

## SOME NOTES ON THE EXTENSION OF $B$ -VALUED INNER PRODUCT

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### 1. Introduction.

$B$ -valued inner product has been studied by Paschke([1],[4],[5],[6]), Arveson. It is different from inner product in that codomain is a  $C^*$ -algebra and its axioms are compatible with module action.

In particular, Paschke investigated the dual space  $X'$  which is composed of bounded module maps of pre-Hilbert  $B$ -module  $X$  into a  $C^*$ -algebra  $B$  (this has similar properties with dual space of a Banach space). He has lifted the  $B$ -valued inner product on a pre-Hilbert space  $X$  to a  $B$ -valued inner product on  $X'$  and connected with representation theory with respect to completely positive map([5],[6]).

In this setting, there are two ways of norming  $X'$ , as bounded operators from  $X$  into  $B$ , and inner product norm  $\|\cdot\|_{X'}$  on the other. In fact, these norms are identical([5],[Corollary 2.8]). Also we can conjecture problems that the  $B$ -valued inner product on  $X$  can be lifted to a  $B$ -valued inner product on  $X''$  (the bidual of  $X$ ).

After appropriate identification, we can regard  $X$  as a submodule of  $X''$  ([Remark 2]), and this note is the investigation of the above conjecture and structural relations of  $X, X', X'', (X'')'$  ([Lemma 3.2], [Theorem 3.6], [Theorem 3.7]).

### 2. $B$ -valued inner product and its Extension to $X'$ .

Let  $B$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra and  $X$  a right  $B$ -module. We will denote the action of an element  $b \in B$  on  $x \in X$  by  $x \cdot b$ ; it is assumed that  $X$  has a vector space structure compatible with that of  $B$  in the sense that  $\lambda(x \cdot b) = (\lambda x) \cdot b = x \cdot (\lambda b)$  for all  $x \in X, b \in B, \lambda \in C$ .

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DEFINITION 2.1. A pre-Hilbert  $B$ -module is a right  $B$ -module  $X$  equipped with a conjugate-bilinear map  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : X \times X \longrightarrow B$  satisfying :

- (1)  $\langle x, x \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in X$  ;
- (2)  $\langle x, x \rangle = 0$  only if  $x = 0$  ;
- (3)  $\langle x, y \rangle^* = \langle y, x \rangle \quad \forall x, y \in X$  ;
- (4)  $\langle x \cdot b, y \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle b \quad \forall x, y \in X, b \in B$ .

The map  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  will be called a  $B$ -valued inner product on  $X$ .

EXAMPLE 2.2. If  $H$  is a Hilbert space, then the algebraic tensor product  $H \odot B$  becomes a pre-Hilbert  $B$ -module. For, defining by  $(\xi \odot a, b) \rightarrow \xi \odot ab$ , then  $H \odot B$  becomes a right  $B$ -module.

Define  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : H \odot B \times H \odot B \longrightarrow B$  by  $\langle \xi \odot a, \eta \odot b \rangle = (\xi, \eta)b^*a$ . Then  $(\xi, \xi)a^*a \geq 0$ , and  $(\xi, \xi)a^*a = 0 \Leftrightarrow (\xi, \xi) = 0$  or  $a^*a = 0 \Leftrightarrow \xi = 0$  or  $a = 0$ .

Also,  $\langle \xi \odot a, \eta \odot b \rangle^* = (\xi, \eta)^*(b^*a)^* = (\eta, \xi)a^*b = \langle \eta \odot b, \xi \odot a \rangle$ .

$\langle (\eta \odot b) \cdot c, \xi \odot a \rangle = \langle \eta \odot bc, \xi \odot a \rangle = (\eta, \xi)a^*(bc) = (\eta, \xi)(a^*b)c = \langle \eta \odot b, \xi \odot a \rangle c$ .

For a pre-Hilbert  $B$ -module  $X$ , define  $\| \cdot \|_X$  on  $X$  by  $\| x \|_X = \| \langle x, x \rangle \|^{1/2}$ .

PROPOSITION 2.3([5],[6]).  $\| \cdot \|_X$  is a norm on  $X$  and satisfies:

- (1)  $\| x \cdot b \|_X \leq \| x \|_X \| b \| \quad \forall x \in X, b \in B$ ;
- (2)  $\langle y, x \rangle \langle x, y \rangle \leq \| y \|_X^2 \langle x, x \rangle \quad \forall x, y \in X$ ;
- (3)  $\| \langle x, y \rangle \| \leq \| x \|_X \| y \|_X \quad \forall x, y \in X$ .

REMARK 1. Because of (1),  $X$  is a normed  $B$ -module, and a pre-Hilbert  $B$ -module  $X$  which is complete with respect to  $\| \cdot \|$  will be called a *Hilbert  $B$ -module*. For a Hilbert  $B$ -module  $X$ , we let  $X'$  denote the set of all bounded  $B$ -module maps (i.e,  $B$ -linear maps) of  $X$  into  $B$ . Then  $X'$  becomes a vector space if we define scalar multiplication on  $X'$  by  $(\lambda\tau)(x) = \lambda\tau(x)$  ( $\tau \in X', x \in X, \lambda \in C$ ) and addition maps in  $X'$  pointwise. Also,

$X'$  becomes a right  $B$ -module if we set  $(\tau \cdot b)(x) = b^*\tau(x)$  for  $\tau \in X', b \in B, x \in X$ .

PROPOSITION 2.4([5]). Let  $X, Y$  be pre-Hilbert  $B$ -modules. For a linear map  $T : X \longrightarrow Y$ , the following are equivalent: (1).  $T$  is

bounded and  $T(x \cdot b) = (Tx) \cdot b \quad \forall x \in X, b \in B$ . (2). There is a real number  $K \geq 0$  such that  $\langle Tx, Tx \rangle \leq K \langle x, x \rangle \quad \forall x \in X$ .

REMARK 2. From the above proposition, for a bounded  $B$ -module map  $T$ ,

$\|T\| = \inf\{K^{1/2} : \langle Tx, Tx \rangle \leq K \langle x, x \rangle \quad \forall x \in X\}$  and  $X'$  is precisely the set of linear maps  $\tau : X \rightarrow B$  such that for some real  $K \geq 0$ ,  $\tau^* \tau(x) \leq K \langle x, x \rangle \quad \forall x \in X$ . Each  $x \in X$  gives rise to a map  $\hat{x} \in X'$  defined by  $\hat{x}(y) = \langle y, x \rangle (y \in X)$  ([Proposition 2.3]). The map  $x \rightarrow \hat{x}$  is an isometric module map of  $X$  into  $X'$ . We may thus regard  $X$  as a submodule of  $X'$  by identify  $X$  with  $\hat{X}$ .

THEOREM 2.5([5]). Let  $X$  be a pre-Hilbert  $B$ -module. The  $B$ -valued inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  extends to  $X' \times X'$  in such a way as to make  $X'$  into a Hilbert  $B$ -module.

By the above theorem, since  $X'$  becomes a pre-Hilbert  $B$ -module, we can consider the following example:

EXAMPLE 2.6. Consider the right  $B$ -module  $B \times X$  for any pre-Hilbert  $B$ -module  $X$ . Take  $\tau \in X' (\tau \neq 0)$  and  $t > \|\tau\|_{X'}$ . Define  $[\cdot, \cdot]_{\tau, t} : (B \times X) \times (B \times X) \rightarrow B$  by  $[(a, x), (b, y)]_{\tau, t} = t^2 b^* a + b^* \tau(x) + \tau(y)^* a + \langle x, y \rangle$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} [(a, x), (b, y)]_{\tau, t} &= t^2 b^* a + \tau(y)^* a + b^* \tau(x) + \langle x, y \rangle \\ &= [a^* b + a^* \tau(y) + \tau(x)^* b + \langle y, x \rangle]^* \\ &= [(b, y), (a, x)]_{\tau, t}^* \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [(a, x) \cdot k, (b, y)]_{\tau, t} &= [(ak, x \cdot k), (b, y)] \\ &= t^2 b^* (ak) + b^* \tau(x \cdot k) + \tau(y)^* (ak) + \langle x \cdot k, y \rangle \\ &= t^2 (b^* a) k + b^* \tau(x) k + \tau(y)^* a k + \langle x, y \rangle k \\ &= [(a, x), (b, y)] k. \end{aligned}$$

Taking  $(a, x) \in B \times X$ , then,

$$\begin{aligned} [(a, x), (a, x)]_{\tau, t} &= t^2 a^* a + a^* \tau(x) + \tau(x)^* a + \langle x, x \rangle \\ &\geq t^2 a^* a + a^* \tau(x) + \tau(x)^* a + \|\tau\|_{X'}^{-2} \tau(x)^* \tau(x) \\ &= t^2 a^* a + a^* \tau(x) + \tau(x)^* a + t^{-2} \tau(x)^* \tau(x) \\ &= \left( ta + t^{-1} \tau(x) \right)^* \left( ta + t^{-1} \tau(x) \right) \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

If  $[(a, x), (a, x)]_{\tau, t} = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} [(a, x), (a, x)]_{\tau, t} &= t^2 a^* a + a^* \tau(x)^* a + \langle x, x \rangle \\ &= \left( ta + t^{-1} \tau(x) \right)^* \left( ta + t^{-1} \tau(x) \right) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

(i.e. equality holds in each above step). In particular,

$\left( \|\tau\|_{X'}^{-2} - t^{-2} \right) \tau(x)^* \tau(x) = 0$ , and so  $(a, x) = (0, 0)$ , thus  $[\cdot, \cdot]_{\tau, t}$  is a  $B$ -valued inner product on  $B \times X$ .

**LEMMA 2.7.** Let  $\|\cdot\|_{\tau, t}$  be a norm on  $B \times X$  gotten from the above inner product. Then  $\|\tau \cdot b + \hat{y}\| \leq \|(b, y)\|_{\tau, t} \quad \forall x \in X, b \in B$ .

*Proof.* For all  $x \in X$ ,

$$\|(0, x)\|_{\tau, t} = \|(0, x), (0, x)\|^{1/2} = \|\langle x, x \rangle\|^{1/2} = \|x\|_X.$$

For  $x, y \in X, b \in B$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|(\tau \cdot b + \hat{y})(x)\| &= \|b^* \tau(x) + \langle x, y \rangle\| \\ &= \|(0, x), (b, y)\|_{\tau, t} \leq \|(0, x)\|_{\tau, t} \cdot \|(b, y)\|_{\tau, t} \\ &= \|x\|_X \|(b, y)\|_{\tau, t} \text{ ([Proposition 2.3])}. \end{aligned}$$

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**COROLLARY 2.8**([5]). The operator norm and inner product norm in  $X'$  are identical.

*Proof.* By the above theorem,  $X'$  is a Hilbert  $B$ -module. Letting  $\|\cdot\|_{X'}$  denote the operator norm on  $X'$ , we have, for  $\tau \in X'$  and  $x \in X$ ,  $\tau(x)^* \tau(x) = \langle \tau, \hat{x} \rangle \langle \hat{x}, \tau \rangle \leq \|\tau\|_{X'}^2 \langle x, x \rangle$  ([Proposition 2.3]), therefore  $\|\tau\| \leq \|\tau\|_{X'}$  ([Remark 2]). On the other hand,  $\|\tau\|_{X'}^2 \leq \|\tau\|^2$ , forcing  $\|\tau\|_{X'} = \|\tau\|$ .

### 3. The extension of B-valued inner product to $X''$ .

LEMMA 3.1. If  $X$  is a normed  $B$ -module, there exists an module map of  $X$  into  $X''$ .

*Proof.* For  $x \in X$ , define  $\phi : X \rightarrow X'' (x \rightarrow \dot{x})$  by  $\dot{x}(\tau) = \tau(x)^*(\tau \in X')$ . Then  $\dot{x}(\tau \cdot b) = [(\tau \cdot b)x]^* = [b^* \tau(x)]^* = \tau(x)^* b = \dot{x}(\tau)b$ ,  $\|\dot{x}(\tau)\| = \|\tau(x)^*\| = \|\tau(x)\| \leq \infty$ ,

and so  $\dot{x} \in X''$ . Also,  $(\hat{x} \cdot b)(\tau) = \tau(x \cdot b)^* = [\tau(x)b]^* = b^* \tau(x)^* = b^* \hat{x}(\tau) = (\hat{x} \cdot b)(\tau)$ .

Thus  $\phi(x \cdot b) = \phi(x) \cdot b$  (i.e. module map).

LEMMA 3.2. If  $X$  is a normed  $B$ -module, then there is a bounded module map of  $X''$  into  $X'$ .

*Proof.* For  $\Gamma \in X''$ , define  $\tilde{\Gamma}$  on  $X'$  by  $\tilde{\Gamma}(x) = \Gamma(\hat{x}) (x \in X)$ , then

$$\tilde{\Gamma}(x \cdot b) = \Gamma[(x \cdot b)] = \Gamma(\hat{x} \cdot b) = \Gamma(\hat{x}) \cdot b = \tilde{\Gamma}(x) \cdot b \text{ (i.e. } \tilde{\Gamma} \in X').$$

Now define a map  $\Psi : X'' \rightarrow X' (\Gamma \rightarrow \tilde{\Gamma})$ , then since

$$\begin{aligned} (\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2)(x) &= (\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2)(\hat{x}) \\ &= \Gamma_1(\hat{x}) + \Gamma_2(\hat{x}) = \tilde{\Gamma}_1(x) + \tilde{\Gamma}_2(x) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (\tilde{\Gamma} \cdot b)(x) &= (\Gamma \cdot b)(\hat{x}) \\ &= \Gamma(\hat{x}) \cdot b = \tilde{\Gamma}(x) \cdot b, \end{aligned}$$

$$\|\tilde{\Gamma}(x)\|_B = \|\Gamma(\hat{x})\|_B \leq \|\Gamma\|_{X''} \cdot \|\hat{x}\|.$$

Thus  $\Psi$  is a bounded module map (in fact,  $\Psi$  is an isometry [Lemma 3.4]).  $\square$

Now we introduce the concrete extension of  $B$ -valued inner product on  $X$  to  $X''$ .

As a previous statement, the method of extension is similar to that of Paschke's.

Define  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : X'' \times X'' \rightarrow B$  by  $\langle \Gamma, \Phi \rangle = \Phi(\tilde{\Gamma})$ . Then it is clear that this map is conjugate bilinear and will be a  $B$ -valued inner product on  $X''$  ([Lemma 3.5], [Theorem 3.6]). For  $x, y \in X$ ,  $\langle \dot{x}, \dot{y} \rangle = \dot{y}(\tilde{\dot{x}}) = \dot{y}(\hat{x}) = \hat{x}(y)^* = \langle y, x \rangle^* = \langle x, y \rangle$ .

So  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is an extension of the original inner product on  $X$ .

LEMMA 3.3. Let  $Y$  be a submodule of  $X'$  containing  $\hat{X}$ . For any  $F \in Y'$ , we have  $\|F\|_{Y'} = \|F|_X\|$ .

*Proof.* We may assume without loss of generality that  $\|F\|_{Y'} = 1$ . Define  $\tau \in X'$  by  $\tau(x) = F(\hat{x})(x \in X)$ . We have  $\|\tau\|_{X'} \leq 1$  and must establish the reverse inequality. Take  $\psi \in Y$  with  $\|\psi\|_{X'} < 1$  and set  $c = F(\psi)$ . For brevity, let  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  denote the  $B$ -valued inner product  $[\cdot, \cdot]_{\psi, 1}$  on  $B \times X$  defined in Example 2.6 and let  $\|\cdot\|$  be the corresponding norm on  $B \times X$ . For  $a \in B, x \in X$ , we have, using Lemma 2.7,

$$\|ca + \tau(x)\| = \|F(\psi \cdot a + \hat{x})\| \leq \|\psi \cdot a + \hat{x}\|_{X'} \leq \|(a, x)\|,$$

so the map  $(a, x) \rightarrow ca + \tau(x)$  of  $B \times X$  into  $B$  is a bounded module map of norm  $\leq 1$  with respect to the inner product  $[\cdot, \cdot]$ . By Remark 2, we have  $(ca + \tau(x))^*(ca + \tau(x)) \leq [(a, x), (a, x)]$  for all  $a \in B, x \in X$ . That is,

$$a^*c^*ca + a^*c^*\tau(x) + \tau(x)^*ca + \tau(x)^*\tau(x) \leq a^*a + a^*\psi(x) + \psi(x)^*a + \langle x, x \rangle.$$

Setting  $a = -2\psi(x)$  and collecting terms, we obtain, for all  $x \in X$ .

$$4\psi(x)^*c^*c\psi(x) + \tau(x)^*\tau(x) \leq \langle x, x \rangle + 2(\psi(x)^*c^*\tau(x) + \tau(x)^*c\psi(x)).$$

$$\text{But } \psi(x)^*c^*\tau(x) + \tau(x)^*c\tau(x) \leq \tau(x)^*c^*c\tau(x) + \tau(x)^*\tau(x),$$

$$2\psi(x)^*c^*c\psi(x) \leq \langle x, x \rangle + \tau(x)^*\tau(x) \leq (1 + \|\tau\|_{X'}^2)\langle x, x \rangle \quad \forall x \in X.$$

Hence  $\|\psi \cdot c^*\|_{X'} \leq 2^{-1/2}(1 + \|\tau\|_{X'}^2)^{1/2}$  and consequently, using  $\|F\|_{Y'} = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|F(\psi \cdot c^*)\| &= \|cc^*\| = \|c\|^2 \leq \|F\|_{Y'} \|\psi \cdot c^*\|_{X'} \\ &= \|\psi \cdot c^*\|_{X'} \leq 2^{-1/2}(1 + \|\tau\|_{X'}^2)^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

This holds for any  $\psi \in Y$  with  $\|\psi\|_{X'} < 1$ ; since  $\|F\|_{Y'} = 1$ , we must therefore have  $1 \leq 2^{-1/2}(1 + \|\tau\|_{X'}^2)^{1/2}$ , which forces  $\|\tau\|_{X'} \geq 1$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

LEMMA 3.4. *The map  $\Psi$  in Lemma 3.2 is an isometry.*

*Proof.* For any  $F \in X''$ ,  $\|F\|_{X''} = \|F|_X\|$  ( $Y = X'$  in Lemma 3.3). Since  $\tilde{\Gamma}(x) = \Gamma(\hat{x})$  ( $x \in X$ ) for  $\Gamma \in X''$ ,  $\|\Gamma\|_{X''} = \|\Gamma|_X\| = \|\tilde{\Gamma}\|_{X'}$ .  $\square$

By elementary calculation, we can get the following Lemma.

LEMMA 3.5.  $\langle \Gamma, \Gamma \rangle \geq 0$  and  $\|\langle \Gamma, \Gamma \rangle\| = \|\Gamma\|_{X''}^2$  for all  $\Gamma \in X''$ .

THEOREM 3.6. *Let  $X$  be a pre-Hilbert  $B$ -module. Then the  $B$ -valued inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  on  $X$  extends to  $X'' \times X''$  in such a way as to make  $X''$  into a Hilbert  $B$ -module.*

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \Gamma \cdot b, \Phi \rangle &= \Phi(\tilde{\Gamma} \cdot b) = \Phi(\tilde{\Gamma} \cdot b) \\ &= \Phi(\tilde{\Gamma})b = \langle \Gamma, \Phi \rangle b\end{aligned}$$

Also,  $\langle \Gamma + \Phi, \Gamma + \Phi \rangle \geq 0$ ,  $\langle \Gamma + i\Phi, \Gamma + i\Phi \rangle \geq 0$  ([Lemma 3.5]).

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \Gamma + \Phi, \Gamma + \Phi \rangle &= \langle \Gamma + \Phi, \Gamma + \Phi \rangle^* \\ &= \langle \Gamma, \Gamma \rangle + \langle \Gamma, \Phi \rangle^* + \langle \Phi, \Gamma \rangle^* + \langle \Phi, \Phi \rangle.\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \Gamma, \Phi \rangle + \langle \Phi, \Gamma \rangle &= \langle \Gamma, \Phi \rangle^* + \langle \Phi, \Gamma \rangle^* \quad (*), \\ \langle \Gamma, \Phi \rangle - \langle \Phi, \Gamma \rangle &= -\langle \Gamma, \Phi \rangle^* + \langle \Phi, \Gamma \rangle^* \quad (**).\end{aligned}$$

Adding (\*) and (\*\*),  $\langle \Gamma, \Phi \rangle = \langle \Phi, \Gamma \rangle^*$ . Thus  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  becomes a  $B$ -valued inner product on  $X''$  with aid of Lemma 3.5. Also, by Lemma 3.5, since norm on  $X''$  gotten from this inner product coincides with the operator norm  $\|\cdot\|_{X''}$ ,  $X''$  is a Hilbert  $B$ -module with respect to the inner product we have introduced.  $\square$

THEOREM 3.7. *Under the same situation, there exists a module isomorphism of  $(X'')'$  onto  $X'$ .*

*Proof.* For  $F \in (X'')'$ , define  $\tau_F \in X'$  by  $\tau_F(x) = F(\hat{x})$  ( $x \in X$ ) and for  $\tau \in X'$ , define  $F_\tau \in (X'')'$  by  $F_\tau(\Gamma) = \Gamma(\tau)^*$  ( $\Gamma \in X''$ ). i.e.,

$$\Psi_1 : (X'')' \longrightarrow X' (F \rightarrow \tau_F)$$

$$\Psi_2 : X' \longrightarrow (X'')' (\tau \rightarrow F_\tau)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}\Psi_1(F \cdot b)(x) &= \tau_{F \cdot b}(x) = (F \cdot b)(\dot{x}) \\ &= F(\dot{x})b = \tau_F(x) \cdot b = \Psi_1(F)(x) \cdot b.\end{aligned}$$

Also

$$\begin{aligned}\|\Psi_1(F)\| &= \|\tau_F\|_{X'} = \sup\{\|\tau_F(x)\|_B : \|x\| \leq 1\} \\ &= \sup\{\|F(\dot{x})\|_B : \|\dot{x}\| \leq 1\} \\ &= \|F|_{\dot{X}}\| = \|F\|_{(X'')'} \quad ([Lemma \ 3.4]).\end{aligned}$$

For  $\Psi_2$ , the same are true, and we have  $\Phi_1(\Psi_2(\tau))(x) = \Psi_2(\tau)(\dot{x}) = \dot{x}(\tau)^* = \tau(x)$ ,  
 $\Psi_2(\Psi_1(F))(\dot{x}) = \dot{x}(\Psi_1(F))^* = \Psi_1(F)(x) = F(\dot{x})$ . Thus they are inverses of each other.  $\square$

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