

Unique extension of the CAR trace among all states

`MathlibAnnex.CStarAlgebra.CAR.existsUnique_state_extension_trace`

Establishes uniqueness of a state extension without assuming the extension is tracial.

Statement

For every representative shell family F , the normalized trace τ_C on the CAR algebra C extends to exactly one state of the associated C^* -algebra A_F .

Assumptions

Let C be the completed CAR algebra, ϕ_0 its distinguished pure state, ϕ_i one selected pure state in each GNS-equivalence class, and e_n the fixed root shell projections. Fix a representative shell family F : for each i , an automorphism α_i and elements $w_{i,n}$ of C satisfying $\phi_i \circ \alpha_i = \phi_0$, $w_{i,n}^* w_{i,n} = \alpha_i(e_n)$, and $w_{i,n} w_{i,n}^* = e_n$. At the root class, α_0 is the identity and $w_{0,n} = e_n$. Let $A_F \subseteq B(H_{\text{at}})$ be the norm-closed unital $*$ -algebra generated by the atomic image of C and the shell-link unitaries constructed from F ; write $j_F: C \rightarrow A_F$ for the source map. Let τ_C be the normalized CAR trace. The family parameter F is retained; it is not replaced by an arbitrary C^* -algebra.

Conclusion

There exists a unique continuous complex-linear functional $\phi: A_F \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ which is positive, satisfies $\phi(1) = 1$, and obeys $\phi(j_F(c)) = \tau_C(c)$ for every $c \in C$.

Proof route

The constructed trace extension gives existence. Compare the cyclic GNS representation of any other state extension with the constructed tracial representation by a pointed unitary; equality of their vector states gives uniqueness.

Proof steps

1. Use the known extension to obtain a normalized positive functional with the required restriction.
2. Apply the pointed-unitary comparison theorem to an arbitrary state extension and its cyclic GNS vector.
3. Evaluate the equal vector functionals on each $a \in A_F$.

Lean realization notes

The source theorem is family-parametric. Uniqueness is among all state extensions of this particular trace, not merely among tracial extensions, and not among all states on A_F . Traciality and faithfulness are separate conclusions elsewhere. Taking the fixed homogeneity family recovers the algebra A .

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Main citations

[MathlibAnnex.CStarAlgebra.CAR.eq_traceExtension_of_mem_stateSpace_of_apply_shellFamilySourceHom_eq_trace](#)

Lean source declaration (exact)

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/-- Existence and uniqueness are on the actual fixed target. -/
theorem existsUnique_state_extension_trace (family : RepresentativeShellFamily) :
  ∃! φ : ShellFamilyTarget family → L[C] ℂ,
  φ ∈ MathlibAnnex.Analysis.CStarAlgebra.stateSpace (ShellFamilyTarget family) ∧
  ∀ b, φ (shellFamilySourceHom family b) = trace b := by
  refine {traceExtension family,
    {traceExtension_mem_stateSpace family, traceExtension_shellFamilySourceHom family}, ?_}
  intro φ hφ
  exact eq_traceExtension_of_mem_stateSpace_of_apply_shellFamilySourceHom_eq_trace family φ hφ.1
  hφ.2
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