



Local operator spaces, unbounded operators and multinormed C^* -algebras

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Abstract

In this paper we propose a representation theorem for local operator spaces which extends Ruan's representation theorem for operator spaces. Based upon this result, we introduce local operator systems which are locally convex versions of the operator systems and prove Stinespring theorem for local operator systems. A local operator C^* -algebra is an example of a local operator system. Finally, we investigate the injectivity in both local operator space and local operator system senses, and prove locally convex version of the known result by Choi and Effros, that an injective local operator system possesses unique multinormed C^* -algebra structure with respect to the original involution and matrix topology.

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1. Introduction

The known [9, Theorem 2.3.5] representation theorem for operator spaces asserts that each abstract operator space V can be realized as a subspace of the space $\mathcal{B}(H)$ of all bounded linear operators on a Hilbert space H . By realization we mean a matrix isometry $\Phi : V \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H)$ of V onto the subspace $\Phi(V) \subseteq \mathcal{B}(H)$. This result plays a central role in the operator space theory. It allows one to have an abstract characterization of a linear space of bounded linear operators on a Hilbert space.

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Physically well motivated, operator spaces can be thought as quantized normed spaces, where we have replaced functions by operators regarding classical normed spaces as abstract function spaces. Another motivation is observed by the dominating property in the noncommutative functional calculus problem [6], which confirms that (joint) spectral properties of elements of an operator algebra can be expressed in terms of matrices over the original algebra. The implementation of this proposal would lead to a reasonable joint spectral theory in an operator algebra.

To have more solid justification of the quantum physics and noncommutative function theory it is necessary to consider operator analogues of locally convex spaces too, that is, quantizations of polynormed spaces. That leads to linear spaces of unbounded Hilbert space operators or more generally, projective limits of operator spaces. In recent years, this theory has been developed by Effros, Webster and Winkler in [10,11,20] under the title “local operator spaces.” The central and subtle result of their investigations is an operator version of the classical bipolar theorem [10, Proposition 4.1], which asserts that the double operator polar of an absolutely matrix convex and weakly closed matrix set coincides with itself (see below Theorem 6.1). This result allows one to have a fine description of a continuous matrix seminorm on a local operator space in terms of the matrix duality (see Section 6). It also provides a scale of possible quantizations of a polynormed space, namely the scale of min and max quantizations. The Krein–Milman theorem for local operator spaces was proposed by Webster and Winkler in [21].

In the present work we provide an intrinsic description of local operator spaces as above mentioned characterization for operator spaces, and investigate the injectivity in this framework proposing locally convex version of the known result by Choi and Effros [4]. We prove that each local operator space can be realized as a linear space of unbounded operators on a Hilbert space, that is, as a concrete local operator space. Namely, we fix a Hilbert space H and its upward filtered family of closed subspaces $\mathcal{E} = \{H_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ such that their union \mathcal{D} is a dense subspace in H . We say that \mathcal{E} is a *quantized domain in H with its union space \mathcal{D}* . The family \mathcal{E} in turn determines an upward filtered family $\mathfrak{p} = \{P_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ of projections in $\mathcal{B}(H)$ onto the subspaces H_α , $\alpha \in \Lambda$. The algebra of all noncommutative continuous functions on a quantized domain \mathcal{E} is defined as

$$C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}) = \{T \in L(\mathcal{D}): TP_\alpha = P_\alpha T P_\alpha \in \mathcal{B}(H), \alpha \in \Lambda\},$$

where $L(\mathcal{D})$ is the associative algebra of all linear transformations on \mathcal{D} . Thus each $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ is an unbounded operator on H with domain \mathcal{D} such that $T(H_\alpha) \subseteq H_\alpha$ and $T|_{H_\alpha} \in \mathcal{B}(H_\alpha)$. Obviously, $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ is a subalgebra in $L(\mathcal{D})$. Let us also introduce the **-algebra*

$$C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}) = \{T \in C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}): P_\alpha T \subseteq T P_\alpha, \alpha \in \Lambda\}$$

of all noncommutative continuous functions on \mathcal{E} . Each unbounded operator $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ has an unbounded dual T^\star such that $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \text{dom}(T^\star)$, $T^\star(\mathcal{D}) \subseteq \mathcal{D}$ and $T^* = T^\star|_{\mathcal{D}} \in C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$. Moreover, the correspondence $T \mapsto T^*$ is an involution on $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$, thereby $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is a unital *-subalgebra (see Proposition 3.1) in $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$. The family of (matrix) seminorms $p_\alpha^{(n)}(v) = \|v|_{H_\alpha^n}\|$, $v \in M_n(C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}))$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\alpha \in \Lambda$, determines a (complete) local operator space structure on $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$. Moreover, $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ equipped with the polynormed topology determined by the family $\{p_\alpha^{(1)}: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ is a unital Arens–Michael (complete locally multiplicative) algebra whose *-subalgebra $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is a unital multinormed C^* -algebra.

A concrete local operator space on \mathcal{D} is defined as a (local operator) subspace in $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$. The representation theorem proved in Section 7 asserts that each local operator space V is a concrete

local operator space on a certain quantized domain up to a topological matrix isomorphism, that is, there is a topological matrix embedding $V \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$. Moreover, if V is a Fréchet operator space then $V \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ for a certain quantized Fréchet domain \mathcal{E} (that is, \mathcal{E} is countable).

The result on operator realizations of a local operator space generalizes Ruan’s representation theorem for operator spaces. To restore a natural connection between the local operator spaces and unital multinormed C^* -algebras as it was in the normed case we introduce in Section 4.2 a *local operator system* V as a unital self-adjoint subspace of the multinormed C^* -algebra $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$. Thus $I_{\mathcal{D}} \in V$ and $T^* \in V$ for each $T \in V$. Note that each local operator system is an inverse limit of (normed) operator systems. A $*$ -subalgebra in $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ called a *local operator algebra* presents another example of a local operator system.

An important role in local operator systems is played by *the local positivity*. We say that an element T of a local operator system V is *local hermitian* if $T = T^*$ on a certain subspace H_{α} , that is, $T|_{H_{\alpha}} = T^*|_{H_{\alpha}} = (T|_{H_{\alpha}})^*$ in $\mathcal{B}(H_{\alpha})$. Respectively, an element $T \in V$ is said to be *local positive* if $T|_{H_{\alpha}} \geq 0$ in $\mathcal{B}(H_{\alpha})$ for some $\alpha \in \Lambda$. Further, let $V \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ and $W \subseteq C_{\mathcal{S}}^*(\mathcal{O})$ be local operator systems on quantized domains $\mathcal{E} = \{H_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ and $\mathcal{S} = \{K_{\iota}\}_{\iota \in \Omega}$ with their union spaces \mathcal{D} and \mathcal{O} , respectively. A linear mapping $\varphi : V \rightarrow W$ is said to be *local matrix positive* if for each $\iota \in \Omega$ there corresponds $\alpha \in \Lambda$ such that $\varphi^{(n)}(v)|_{K_{\iota}^n} \geq 0$ whenever $v|_{H_{\alpha}^n} \geq 0$, and $\varphi^{(n)}(v)|_{K_{\iota}^n} = 0$ if $v|_{H_{\alpha}^n} = 0$, $v \in M_n(V)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, where $\varphi^{(n)} : M_n(V) \rightarrow M_n(W)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, are the canonical linear extensions of φ over all matrix spaces.

Based upon the local positivity concept we prove Stinespring theorem for local operator systems which involves the multinormed C^* -algebra $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ over a quantized domain \mathcal{E} instead of $\mathcal{B}(H)$. Namely, let A be a unital multinormed C^* -algebra with a defining family of C^* -seminorms $\{p_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$, \mathcal{E} a quantized domain in a Hilbert space H with its union space \mathcal{D} and let $\varphi : A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ be a unital local matrix positive mapping. Then there are a quantized domain \mathcal{S} in a Hilbert space K containing \mathcal{E} and a unital local contractive $*$ -homomorphism $\pi : A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{S}}^*(\mathcal{O})$ such that

$$\varphi(a) \subseteq P_H \pi(a) \quad \text{for all } a \in A,$$

where \mathcal{O} is the union space of \mathcal{S} and $P_H \in \mathcal{B}(K)$ is the projection onto H . This result allows us to have a description of a C^* -seminorm on a unital multinormed C^* -algebra in terms of contractive $*$ -representations whose representation spaces have bounded Hilbert space dimensions. Using this fact, we prove a representation theorem for unital multinormed C^* -algebras. Thus each unital multinormed C^* -algebra A is a local operator C^* -algebra up to a topological $*$ -isomorphism, that is, there is a topological (matrix) $*$ -isomorphism $A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ from A into the multinormed C^* -algebra $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ of all noncommutative continuous functions on a certain quantized domain \mathcal{E} with its union space \mathcal{D} . This is a GNS theorem for noncommutative multinormed C^* -algebras.

In Section 8, we investigate the injectivity in both local operator space and local operator system senses. We prove Arveson–Hahn–Banach–Webster theorem for local operator systems which involves the algebra $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ over a quantized Fréchet domain \mathcal{E} , instead of $\mathcal{B}(H)$. Namely, let V be a local operator system and let W be its operator system subspace. Then each local matrix positive mapping $\varphi : W \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ has a local matrix positive extension

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V & \xrightarrow{\Phi} & C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}) \\ \cup & \nearrow \varphi & \\ W & & \end{array}$$

that is, $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is an injective local operator system. It seems that the natural analog of $\mathcal{B}(H)$ in the local operator space theory should be the algebra $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ over a quantized domain \mathcal{E} .

Finally, we prove that each injective local operator system is a unital multinormed C^* -algebra with respect to the original involution and matrix topology. In the normed case this result was proved in [4] by Choi and Effros. Here we are observing a serious gap between normed and locally convex versions. In the normed case the original matrix norm on an injective operator system V in $\mathcal{B}(H)$ is a C^* -norm with respect to the new multiplication created by a morphism-projection $\mathcal{B}(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H)$ onto V , which in turn implies that V is a C^* -algebra. But similar argument fails to be true for an injective local operator system $V \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$. The original matrix seminorms on $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ are not C^* -seminorms on V with respect to the new multiplication determined by a morphism-projection (unital local matrix positive projection) $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}) \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ onto V . To overcome this obstacle we introduce in Section 8.3 a new family of C^* -seminorms on V which is equivalent to the original one. As a result we prove that each injective local operator system possesses unique multinormed C^* -algebra structure with respect to the original involution and matrix topology.

Some of the obtained results have been announced in [7] and they are applied to the quantized moment problems in [8].

2. Preliminaries

The direct product of complex linear spaces E and F is denoted by $E \times F$ and we put E^k for the k -times product $E \times \cdots \times E$. The linear space of all linear transformations between E and F is denoted by $L(E, F)$, and we write $L(E)$ instead of $L(E, E)$. The identity operator on E is denoted by I_E . It is the unit of the associative algebra $L(E)$. Take $T \in L(E)$. The n -fold inflation $T^{\oplus n} = T \oplus \cdots \oplus T \in L(E^n)$ of T is acting as $(x_i)_i \mapsto (Tx_i)_i$, $x_i \in E$, $1 \leq i \leq n$. If T leaves invariant a subspace $F \subseteq E$, then $T|_F$ denotes the restriction of T to F . The C^* -algebra of all bounded linear operators on a Hilbert space H is denoted by $\mathcal{B}(H)$. The domain of an unbounded operator T on H is denoted by $\text{dom}(T)$. For an unbounded operators T and S on H we write $T \subseteq S$ if $\text{dom}(T) \subseteq \text{dom}(S)$ and $Tx = Sx$ for all $x \in \text{dom}(T)$. If T is a densely defined operator on H then T^\star denotes its dual operator, thus $\langle Tx, y \rangle = \langle x, T^\star y \rangle$ for all $x \in \text{dom}(T)$, $y \in \text{dom}(T^\star)$, where $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is the inner product in H .

The linear space of all $m \times n$ -matrices $x = [x_{ij}]$ over a linear space E is denoted by $\mathbb{M}_{m,n}(E)$, and we set $\mathbb{M}_m(E) = \mathbb{M}_{m,m}(E)$, $\mathbb{M}_{m,n} = \mathbb{M}_{m,n}(\mathbb{C})$. Further, $\mathbb{M}(E)$ denotes the linear space of all infinite matrices $[x_{ij}]$ ($x_{ij} \in E$) where all but finitely many of x_{ij} are zeros. If $E = \mathbb{C}$ we write \mathbb{M} instead of $\mathbb{M}(\mathbb{C})$. Each $\mathbb{M}_{m,n}(E)$ is a subspace in $\mathbb{M}(E)$ comprising those matrices $x = [x_{ij}]$ with $x_{ij} = 0$ whenever $i > m$ or $j > n$. Moreover, $\mathbb{M}(E) = \varinjlim \mathbb{M}_{m,n}(E)$ is the inductive limit of these subspaces. Note that $\mathbb{M}_{m,n}(L(E)) = L(E^n, E^m)$ up to a canonical identification. In particular, $\mathbb{M}_n(L(E)) = L(E^n)$. The space $\mathbb{M}_{m,n}(E)$ (respectively, $\mathbb{M}(E)$) equipped with a certain polynormed (or locally convex) topology, is denoted by $M_{m,n}(E)$ (respectively, $M(E)$). For instance, if $E = H$ is a Hilbert space then $\mathbb{M}_n(\mathcal{B}(H)) = \mathcal{B}(H^n) = M_n(\mathcal{B}(H))$. In particular, $M_{m,n}$ is the space $\mathbb{M}_{m,n}$ with the operator norm $\|\cdot\|$ between the canonical Hilbert spaces \mathbb{C}^n and \mathbb{C}^m . Take $a \in \mathbb{M}_{m,s}$, $v \in \mathbb{M}_{s,t}(E)$ and $b \in \mathbb{M}_{t,n}$. The matrix product $avb \in \mathbb{M}_{m,n}(E)$ is defined by the usual way $avb = [\sum_{k,l} a_{ik} v_{kl} b_{lj}]$. The direct sum of matrices $v \in \mathbb{M}_{s,t}(E)$ and $w \in \mathbb{M}_{m,n}(E)$ is denoted by $v \oplus w \in \mathbb{M}_{s+m,t+n}(E)$. By a *matrix set* \mathfrak{B} in the matrix space $\mathbb{M}(E)$ we mean a collection $\mathfrak{B} = (\mathfrak{b}_n)$ of subsets $\mathfrak{b}_n \subseteq \mathbb{M}_n(E)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$. For matrix subsets \mathfrak{B} and \mathfrak{M} in $\mathbb{M}(E)$ we write $\mathfrak{B} \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$ whenever $\mathfrak{b}_n \subseteq \mathfrak{m}_n$ for all n . A matrix set \mathfrak{B} in $\mathbb{M}(E)$ is said to be *absolutely matrix convex* if $\mathfrak{b}_m \oplus \mathfrak{b}_n \subseteq \mathfrak{b}_{m+n}$ and $a\mathfrak{b}_m b \subseteq \mathfrak{b}_n$ for all contractions $a \in M_{n,m}$, $b \in M_{m,n}$, $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$.

One can easily verify that each \mathfrak{b}_n is an absolutely convex set in $\mathbb{M}_n(E)$ whenever $\mathfrak{B} = (\mathfrak{b}_n)$ is absolutely matrix convex.

A linear mapping $\varphi: E \rightarrow F$ has the canonical linear extensions $\varphi^{(n)}: \mathbb{M}_n(E) \rightarrow \mathbb{M}_n(F)$, $\varphi^{(n)}([x_{ij}]) = [\varphi(x_{ij})]$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, over all matrix spaces. We also have a linear mapping $\varphi^{(\infty)}: \mathbb{M}(E) \rightarrow \mathbb{M}(F)$ such that $\varphi^{(\infty)}|_{\mathbb{M}_n(E)} = \varphi^{(n)}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

2.1. Local operator spaces

Now we introduce local operator spaces [9,10,20]. Let E be a linear space and let $p^{(n)}: \mathbb{M}_n(E) \rightarrow [0, \infty]$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, be gauges (respectively, seminorms) over all matrix spaces. The family $p = (p^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is said to be a *matrix gauge (respectively, matrix seminorm)* [10] on E if p possesses the following properties:

- M1. $p^{(m+n)}(v \oplus w) \leq \max\{p^{(m)}(v), p^{(n)}(w)\}$.
- M2. $p^{(n)}(avb) \leq \|a\|p^{(m)}(v)\|b\|$,

for all $v = [v_{ij}] \in \mathbb{M}_m(E)$, $w = [w_{ij}] \in \mathbb{M}_n(E)$, $a \in M_{n,m}$, $b \in M_{m,n}$, $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$. Note that M2 implies that

$$p^{(1)}(v_{ij}) = p^{(1)}(E_i v E_j^*) \leq p^{(n)}(v) = p^{(n)}\left(\sum E_i^* v_{ij} E_j\right) \leq \sum p^{(1)}(v_{ij}) \tag{2.1}$$

for any $v = [v_{ij}] \in \mathbb{M}_m(E)$, where E_i are the canonical row matrices. Let p and q be matrix gauges on E . We write $p \preceq q$ whenever $p^{(n)} \leq q^{(n)}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. It is a partial order structure over all matrix gauges on E . In particular, we define $\sup_l p_l = \{\sup_l p_l^{(n)} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ for a family $\{p_l\}$ of matrix gauges on E . Note that for a matrix gauge p on E , M1 implies that we have a well-defined gauge $p^{(\infty)}: \mathbb{M}(E) \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ given by the rule $p^{(\infty)}(x) = p^{(n)}(x)$, $x \in \mathbb{M}_n(E)$, furthermore the relation $p \preceq q$ for matrix gauges turns out to be a usual relation $p^{(\infty)} \leq q^{(\infty)}$ between the gauges on $\mathbb{M}(E)$. If p is a matrix gauge then the corresponding $p^{(\infty)}$ is an \mathbb{M} -module gauge on $\mathbb{M}(E)$ [10], that is, $p^{(\infty)}(x + y) = \max\{p^{(\infty)}(x), p^{(\infty)}(y)\}$ for orthogonal elements $x, y \in \mathbb{M}(E)$, and $p^{(\infty)}(axb) \leq \|a\|p^{(\infty)}(x)\|b\|$ for all $a, b \in \mathbb{M}$, $x \in \mathbb{M}(E)$. Moreover, this correspondence is a one-to-one relation between the matrix gauges on E and \mathbb{M} -module gauges on $\mathbb{M}(E)$ [10]. If $\{p_l\}$ is a family of matrix seminorms on E then obviously $\sup_l p_l$ is a matrix gauge on E and $(\sup_l p_l)^{\infty} = \sup_l p_l^{\infty}$.

If $p = (p^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a matrix gauge on a linear space E and $\mathfrak{B} = \{p \leq 1\}$ then $\mathfrak{B} = (\mathfrak{b}_n)$ is a matrix set in $\mathbb{M}(E)$ with $\mathfrak{b}_n = \{p^{(n)} \leq 1\}$, which is absolutely matrix convex. In particular, $\bigcup_n \mathfrak{b}_n$ is the unit set of the \mathbb{M} -module gauge $p^{(\infty)}$ on $\mathbb{M}(E)$. Conversely, if $\mathfrak{B} = (\mathfrak{b}_n)$ is an absolutely matrix convex set in $\mathbb{M}(E)$ and $\gamma^{(n)}$ is the Minkowski functional (on $\mathbb{M}_n(E)$) of \mathfrak{b}_n , then $\gamma = (\gamma^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a matrix gauge on E [10]. We say that γ is the *Minkowski functional of \mathfrak{B}* .

A linear space E with a (separated) family of matrix seminorms $\{p_\alpha: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ is called an *abstract local operator space*. Note that the local operator space structure on E determines a polynormed (Hausdorff) topology on $\mathbb{M}(E)$ by means of the family of seminorms $\{p_\alpha^{(\infty)}: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$. The relevant polynormed space is denoted by $M(E)$. A linear space E is said to be an (abstract) operator space if E is endowed with a matrix norm. Let E be a local operator space. Then each matrix space $\mathbb{M}_n(E)$ turns into a polynormed space (or normed space in the operator space case) denoted by $M_n(E)$ with a defining family of seminorms $\{p_\alpha^{(n)}: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$, that is, $M_n(E)$ is just a closed subspace in $M(E)$ (see (2.1)). The matrix seminorms $\{p_\alpha: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ and

$\{q_\iota: \iota \in \Omega\}$ on the same space E are assumed to be equivalent if for each $\alpha \in \Lambda$ there correspond a finite subset $F \subseteq \Omega$ and a positive constant $C_{\alpha F}$ such that $p_\alpha \preceq C_{\alpha F} \sup\{q_\iota: \iota \in F\}$ and vice versa, that is, the family of seminorms $\{p_\alpha^{(\infty)}: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ and $\{q_\iota^{(\infty)}: \iota \in \Omega\}$ on $M(E)$ are equivalent in a usual manner. By a defining matrix seminorm family we mean any matrix seminorm family that is equivalent to the original one. Obviously, all equivalent families of matrix seminorms define the same topology on $M(E)$, in particular, over all matrix spaces $M_n(E)$, which is just the direct-product topology inherited by means of the canonical identifications $\mathbb{M}_n(E) \cong E^{n^2}$ (see (2.1)), $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Given a defining family of matrix seminorms, one also has its saturation $\{\sup\{p_\alpha: \alpha \in F\}: F \subseteq \Lambda\}$, where F runs over all finite subsets. Note that the saturation is an upward filtered family of matrix seminorms which is equivalent to the original family. Thereby, when convenient, one can assume that the considered family of matrix seminorms is saturated.

Let E and F be local operator spaces with their (saturated) family of matrix seminorms $\{p_\alpha: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ and $\{q_\iota: \iota \in \Omega\}$, respectively. A linear mapping $\varphi: E \rightarrow F$ is said to be a *matrix continuous* if for each $\iota \in \Omega$ there corresponds $\alpha \in \Lambda$ and a positive constant $C_{i\alpha}$ such that $q_\iota^{(\infty)} \varphi^{(\infty)} \leq C_{i\alpha} p_\alpha^{(\infty)}$. If φ is invertible and φ^{-1} is matrix continuous too then we say that φ is a *topological matrix isomorphism*. If $C_{i\alpha} \leq 1$ for all possible ι and α , then φ is called a *local matrix contraction* with respect to the families $\{p_\alpha: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ and $\{q_\iota: \iota \in \Omega\}$. The matrix contractions between local operator systems will play an important role (see Section 5).

2.2. Multinormed C^* -algebras

Recall that a seminorm p on a unital associative algebra A is called a *multiplicative seminorm* if $p(1_A) = 1$ and $p(ab) \leq p(a)p(b)$ for all $a, b \in A$. A multiplicative seminorm on an associative $*$ -algebra A is said to be a *C^* -seminorm* if $p(a^*) = p(a)$ and $p(a^*a) = p(a)^2$ for all $a \in A$. A complete polynormed algebra with a defining family of multiplicative seminorms (respectively, C^* -seminorms) is called an *Arens–Michael algebra* (respectively, *multinormed C^* -algebra*) [12, 1.2.4].

Let A be a unital multinormed C^* -algebra with a defining family $\{p_\alpha: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ of C^* -seminorms. We introduce local positivity in A with respect to the family $\{p_\alpha: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$. An element $a \in A$ is *local hermitian* if $a = a^* + x$ for some $x \in A$ such that $p_\alpha(x) = 0$ for some $\alpha \in \Lambda$. The set of all local hermitian elements in A is denoted by A_{lh} . An element $a \in A$ is said to be *local positive* if $a = b^*b + x$ for some $x \in A$ such that $p_\alpha(x) = 0$ for some $\alpha \in \Lambda$. The set of all local positive elements in A is denoted by A^+ . For each $\alpha \in \Lambda$, let A_α be the C^* -algebra associated with the C^* -seminorm p_α . If $p_\alpha \leq p_\beta$ then there is a canonical $*$ -homomorphism $\pi_{\alpha\beta}: A_\beta \rightarrow A_\alpha$ such that $\pi_{\alpha\beta}\pi_\beta = \pi_\alpha$, where $\pi_\alpha: A \rightarrow A_\alpha$ is the canonical $*$ -homomorphism associated with the quotient mapping. Thus A is the inverse limit of the projective system $\{A_\alpha, \pi_{\alpha\beta}: \alpha, \beta \in \Lambda\}$ of C^* -algebras [2, 18]. One can easily verify that $a \in A_{\text{lh}}$ (respectively, $a \in A^+$) iff $\pi_\alpha(a)$ is hermitian (respectively, positive) in A_α for some α . We write $a \geq_\alpha 0$ (respectively, $a =_\alpha 0$) if $\pi_\alpha(a)$ is positive in A_α (respectively, $\pi_\alpha(a) = 0$). Evidently, $1_A \in A^+ \subseteq A_{\text{lh}}$. Moreover, $A_{\text{lh}} \subseteq A^+ - A^+$. Indeed, if $a \in A_{\text{lh}}$ then $\pi_\alpha(a)$ is hermitian for some α . But $a = (a + p_\alpha(a)1_A) - p_\alpha(a)1_A$, and $\pi_\alpha(a + p_\alpha(a)1_A) = \pi_\alpha(a) + p_\alpha(a)1_{A_\alpha} = \pi_\alpha(a) + \|\pi_\alpha(a)\|_{A_\alpha} 1_{A_\alpha} \geq 0$ in A_α , so, $a + p_\alpha(a)1_A \in A^+$.

It is worth to note that each multinormed C^* -algebra A has a canonical local operator space structure. Indeed, let $\{p_\alpha^{(1)}: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ be a defining family of C^* -seminorms on A . Each C^* -algebra A_α associated with the C^* -seminorm p_α has the canonical operator space structure and let $\|\cdot\|_\alpha = (\|\cdot\|_\alpha^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be its matrix norm. Then $p_\alpha = \|\cdot\|_\alpha \pi_\alpha^{(\infty)}$ (that is, $p_\alpha^{(n)} = \|\cdot\|_\alpha^{(n)} \pi_\alpha^{(n)}$,

$n \in \mathbb{N}$) is a matrix seminorm on A . Thus A is a local operator space with the defining family of matrix seminorms $\{p_\alpha\}$.

Let A and B be multinormed C^* -algebras with their canonical matrix seminorm families $\{p_\alpha: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ and $\{q_\iota: \iota \in \Omega\}$ associated with the relevant C^* -seminorms. A linear mapping $\varphi: A \rightarrow B$ is said to be *local positive* with respect to the indicated families if $\varphi(a) \geq_\iota 0$ whenever $a \geq_\alpha 0$, and $\varphi(a) =_\iota 0$ if $a =_\alpha 0$, $a \in A$. For brevity, we write $\varphi(a) >_\iota 0$ whenever $a >_\alpha 0$. Further, a linear mapping $\varphi: A \rightarrow B$ is called *local matrix positive* if for each $\iota \in \Omega$ there corresponds $\alpha \in \Lambda$ such that $\varphi^{(n)}(a) >_\iota 0$ (that is, $\pi_\iota^{(n)}(\varphi^{(n)}(a)) > 0$ in $M_n(B_\iota)$) whenever $a >_\alpha 0$ (that is, $\pi_\alpha^{(n)}(a) > 0$ in $M_n(A_\alpha)$), $a \in M_n(A)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$. In particular, all $\varphi^{(n)}$ are local positive mappings.

3. Unbounded operators over quantized domains

In this section we introduce quantized domains in a Hilbert space over which will be introduced noncommutative continuous functions or unbounded operators. That will lead to the concept of a concrete local operator space.

Fix a Hilbert space H and its dense subspace \mathcal{D} , and let V be a linear space of linear transformations on \mathcal{D} . Note that V can be thought as a linear space of unbounded operators on H whose elements have the same domain \mathcal{D} and they leave invariant that domain. If \mathcal{D} is closed, that is, $\mathcal{D} = H$, then $V \subseteq L(H)$. Recall that if $V \subseteq \mathcal{B}(H)$ is a linear subspace, then it can be equipped with the weak and strong operator topologies (WOT and SOT, respectively) determined by the seminorms $w_{x,y}(T) = |\langle Tx, y \rangle|$, $x, y \in H$, and $s_x(T) = \|Tx\|$, $x, y \in H$, respectively.

3.1. The projection nets

Let $\mathfrak{p} = \{P_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ be an upward filtered (or directed) set of (self-adjoint) projections in $\mathcal{B}(H)$, that is, $H_\alpha = \text{im}(P_\alpha)$ is a closed subspace in H , P_α is the projection onto H_α along the orthogonal complemented subspace H_α^\perp , and for a couple of projections P_α and P_β from \mathfrak{p} there is another one P_γ ($\gamma \in \Lambda$) with $P_\alpha \leq P_\gamma$ and $P_\beta \leq P_\gamma$. That is, $P_\alpha = P_\alpha P_\gamma = P_\gamma P_\alpha$ and $P_\beta = P_\beta P_\gamma = P_\gamma P_\beta$, or $H_\alpha \subseteq H_\gamma$ and $H_\beta \subseteq H_\gamma$. We set $\alpha \leq \beta$ whenever $P_\alpha \leq P_\beta$, thereby Λ is a directed index set, and \mathfrak{p} can be treated as a net of projections in $\mathcal{B}(H)$.

Now let $\mathfrak{p} = \{P_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ and $\mathfrak{q} = \{Q_\iota\}_{\iota \in \Omega}$ be projection nets in $\mathcal{B}(H)$. We write $\mathfrak{p} \preceq \mathfrak{q}$ if for each P_α one may find Q_ι such that $P_\alpha \leq Q_\iota$. The nets \mathfrak{p} and \mathfrak{q} are assumed to be *equivalent* ($\mathfrak{p} \sim \mathfrak{q}$) if $\mathfrak{p} \preceq \mathfrak{q}$ and $\mathfrak{q} \preceq \mathfrak{p}$.

The forthcoming assertion is well known [15, Theorem 4.1.2].

Lemma 3.1. *Let $\mathfrak{p} = \{P_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ be a projection net in $\mathcal{B}(H)$. There is a projection $P \in \mathcal{B}(H)$ such that $P_\alpha \rightarrow P$ (WOT). Moreover, $P_\alpha \rightarrow P$ (WOT) is equivalent to $P_\alpha \rightarrow P$ (SOT), and $P_\alpha \leq P$ for all α .*

We write $P = \lim \mathfrak{p}$ if $\mathfrak{p} = \{P_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ is a projection net and $P_\alpha \rightarrow P$ (WOT).

Corollary 3.1. *Let $\mathfrak{p} = \{P_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ be a projection net in $\mathcal{B}(H)$, $P = \lim \mathfrak{p}$ and let $H_\alpha = \text{im}(P_\alpha)$, $\alpha \in \Lambda$. Then $\mathcal{D} = \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} H_\alpha$ is a subspace in H and $\overline{\mathcal{D}} = \text{im}(P)$.*

Proof. Since $\{H_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ is an upward filtered family of subspaces in H , it follows that \mathcal{D} is a linear subspace in H . By Lemma 3.1, $P_\alpha \leq P$, therefore $H_\alpha \subseteq \text{im}(P)$ for all α . Consequently, $\overline{\mathcal{D}} \subseteq \text{im}(P)$. Conversely, if $x \in \text{im}(P)$ then $x = Px = \lim_\alpha P_\alpha x \in \overline{\mathcal{D}}$. Thus $\overline{\mathcal{D}} = \text{im}(P)$. \square

Remark 3.1. If $p \preceq q$ then $\lim p \leq \lim q$. Moreover, the equivalent nets have the same limit.

3.2. Quantized domains

Let H be a Hilbert space. By a *quantized domain* (or merely *domain*) in H we mean an upward filtered family $\mathcal{E} = \{H_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ of closed subspaces in H whose union $\mathcal{D} = \bigcup \mathcal{E}$ is dense in H . Note that \mathcal{D} is a linear subspace in H (see Corollary 3.1). We say that \mathcal{D} is the *union space of the quantized domain* \mathcal{D} . If $\mathcal{E} = \{H_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ and $\mathcal{K} = \{K_\iota\}_{\iota \in \Omega}$ are domains in H then we write $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathcal{K}$ whenever $\Lambda = \Omega$ and $H_\alpha \subseteq K_\alpha$ for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$. Thus $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{K}$ if and only if $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathcal{K}$ and $\mathcal{K} \subseteq \mathcal{E}$. Further, the domains $\mathcal{E} = \{H_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ and $\mathcal{K} = \{K_\iota\}_{\iota \in \Omega}$ in H are assumed to be equivalent $\mathcal{E} \sim \mathcal{K}$ if for each $\alpha \in \Lambda$ there corresponds $\iota \in \Omega$ with $H_\alpha \subseteq K_\iota$, and vice versa. Confirm that the equivalent domains have the same union space. In particular, the disjoint union $\mathcal{E} \vee \mathcal{K} = \{H_\alpha, K_\iota\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda, \iota \in \Omega}$ is a quantized domain in H with the same union space \mathcal{D} , whenever $\mathcal{E} \sim \mathcal{K}$. Each domain $\mathcal{E} = \{H_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ in H automatically associates a projection net $p = \{P_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ in $\mathcal{B}(H)$ over all subspaces H_α , $\alpha \in \Lambda$. Without any doubt $\mathcal{E} \sim \mathcal{K}$ iff $p \sim q$ for the domains \mathcal{E} and \mathcal{K} in H with their relevant projection nets p and q . Moreover, $1_H = \lim p$ thanks to Lemma 3.1 and Corollary 3.1.

Let us introduce the algebra of all noncommutative continuous functions on a quantized domain $\mathcal{E} = \{H_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ with its union space \mathcal{D} as

$$C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}) = \{T \in L(\mathcal{D}) : TP_\alpha = P_\alpha TP_\alpha \in \mathcal{B}(H), \alpha \in \Lambda\}, \tag{3.1}$$

where $p = \{P_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ is the projection net associated with \mathcal{E} . Thus $T(H_\alpha) \subseteq H_\alpha$ and $T|_{H_\alpha} \in \mathcal{B}(H_\alpha)$ whenever $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$. Obviously, $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ is a unital subalgebra in $L(\mathcal{D})$.

Remark 3.2. It is worth to note that the union space \mathcal{D} can be regarded as a strict inductive limit of a directed Hilbert space family $\mathcal{E} = \{H_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$, that is, $\mathcal{D} = \varinjlim \mathcal{E}$. It is a complete polynormed space and $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ leaves invariant each subspace $H_\alpha \subseteq \mathcal{D}$ and $T|_{H_\alpha} \in \mathcal{B}(H_\alpha)$. Therefore T is continuous over the inductive limit [13, Lemma 5.2].

It is also important to introduce the following subalgebra

$$C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}) = \{T \in C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}) : P_\alpha T \subseteq TP_\alpha, \alpha \in \Lambda\} \tag{3.2}$$

in $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ called the **-algebra of all noncommutative continuous functions on a quantized domain* \mathcal{E} . Actually, $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ possesses the natural involution as follows from the following assertion.

Proposition 3.1. Each unbounded operator $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ has an unbounded dual T^\star such that $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \text{dom}(T^\star)$, $T^\star(\mathcal{D}) \subseteq \mathcal{D}$ and $T^* = T^\star|_{\mathcal{D}} \in C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$. The correspondence $T \mapsto T^*$ is an involution on $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$, thereby $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is a unital *-algebra. Conversely, if an unbounded operator $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ admits an unbounded dual T^\star such that $T^* = T^\star|_{\mathcal{D}} \in C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ then $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$. In particular, $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ consists of closable unbounded operators.

Proof. Taking into account that $P_\alpha T \subseteq T P_\alpha$ and $P_\alpha T P_\alpha \in \mathcal{B}(H)$ for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$, let us pick all dual operators $(T|H_\alpha)^\star \in \mathcal{B}(H_\alpha)$, $\alpha \in \Lambda$. If $\alpha \leq \beta$ then $P_\alpha(T|H_\beta) = (T|H_\beta)(P_\alpha|H_\beta)$ which in turn implies that $P_\alpha(T|H_\beta)^\star = (T|H_\beta)^\star(P_\alpha|H_\beta)$, that is, $P_\alpha(T|H_\beta)^\star \subseteq (T|H_\beta)^\star P_\alpha$. Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x, (T|H_\beta)^\star y \rangle &= \langle x, P_\alpha(T|H_\beta)^\star y \rangle = \langle x, (T|H_\beta)^\star P_\alpha y \rangle = \langle T|H_\beta x, y \rangle = \langle T|H_\alpha x, y \rangle \\ &= \langle x, (T|H_\alpha)^\star y \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

$x, y \in H_\alpha$. Put $Sx = (T|H_\alpha)^\star x$ if $x \in H_\alpha$. Evidently, $\text{dom}(S) = \mathcal{D}$ and $S(\mathcal{D}) \subseteq \mathcal{D}$. Moreover, $\langle Tx, y \rangle = \langle T|H_\alpha x, y \rangle = \langle x, (T|H_\alpha)^\star y \rangle = \langle x, Sy \rangle$ for all $x, y \in H_\alpha$. Whence T admits an unbounded dual T^\star such that $S = T^\star|_{\mathcal{D}}$, that is, $S = T^\star$ and $P_\alpha S \subseteq S P_\alpha$ for all α . Thus $T^\star \in C_\mathcal{E}^*(\mathcal{D})$ and the mapping $T \mapsto T^\star$ is an involution on $C_\mathcal{E}^*(\mathcal{D})$.

Conversely, take $T \in C_\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{D})$ such that $T^\star|_{\mathcal{D}} \in C_\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{D})$. So, $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \text{dom}(T^\star)$, $T^\star(H_\alpha) \subseteq H_\alpha$ for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$, and $\langle Tx, y \rangle = \langle x, T^\star y \rangle$ for all $x, y \in \mathcal{D}$. Furthermore,

$$P_\alpha T \subseteq (T^\star P_\alpha)^\star = (P_\alpha T^\star P_\alpha)^\star = P_\alpha T P_\alpha = T P_\alpha.$$

Whence $T \in C_\mathcal{E}^*(\mathcal{D})$ (see (3.2)).

Finally, take $T \in C_\mathcal{E}^*(\mathcal{D})$, and assume that $\lim x_n = 0$ and $\lim Tx_n = z$ for a certain sequence $\{x_n\}$ in \mathcal{D} . If $y \in \mathcal{D}$ then $\langle z, y \rangle = \lim \langle Tx_n, y \rangle = \lim \langle x_n, T^\star y \rangle = 0$, that is, $z \perp \mathcal{D}$. Being \mathcal{D} a dense subspace, infer that $z = 0$. Whence T admits the closure. \square

The algebra $C_\mathcal{E}^*(\mathcal{D})$ can be treated as a quantized version of the (commutative) multinormed C^* -algebra $C(\mathbb{R}^n)$ of all complex continuous functions on \mathbb{R}^n equipped with the compact-open topology (see [8]). Respectively, the space \mathcal{D} can be referred as a quantized version of the locally compact space \mathbb{R}^n exhausted by an increasing family of compact subsets.

Any Hilbert space H can be treated as a quantized domain $\mathcal{E} = \{H\}$. In this case $C_\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{D}) = C_\mathcal{E}^*(\mathcal{D}) = \mathcal{B}(H)$. Note also that the family of all finite-dimensional subspaces of a dense subspace in a Hilbert space is an example of a quantized domain. More nontrivial examples are given below.

Example 3.1. Let $H = L_2(\mathbb{R})$ be the Hilbert space of all square integrable complex-valued functions on the real line with respect to the Lebesgue measure. Consider the linear subspace $\mathcal{D} \subseteq L_2(\mathbb{R})$ of those functions with compact supports, that is, each such function is vanishing a.e. outside of a compact interval in \mathbb{R} . Evidently, \mathcal{D} is a dense subspace in $L_2(\mathbb{R})$. Moreover, \mathcal{D} is exhausted by a countable family $\mathcal{E} = \{H_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of closed subspaces, where

$$H_n = \{f \in L_2(\mathbb{R}): \text{supp}(f) \subseteq [-n, n]\}.$$

Thus \mathcal{E} is a quantized domain in H with its union space \mathcal{D} .

The known multiplication operator by the independent real variable t belongs to $C_\mathcal{E}^*(\mathcal{D})$ and it is not a closed operator, where \mathcal{E} is the quantized domain considered in Example 3.1. Namely, consider the unbounded operator T on $L_2(\mathbb{R})$ such that $\text{dom}(T) = \mathcal{D}$ and $(Tf)(t) = tf(t)$. Obviously, $T(H_n) \subseteq H_n$ and $\|T|H_n\| \leq n$ for all n . Thereby $T \in C_\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{D})$. Since $\langle Tf, g \rangle = \langle f, Tg \rangle$, $f, g \in H_n$, it follows that T is a symmetric operator and $T^\star = T^\star|_{\mathcal{D}} = T \in C_\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{D})$. Using

Proposition 3.1, we conclude that $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$. Finally, T is not closed, just consider the family $f_n(t) = t^{-2}\chi_{(1,n)}(t)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, in \mathcal{D} , where $\chi_{(1,n)}$ is the indicator function of the interval $(1, n)$ (see [16, 13.13.16]).

Proposition 3.2. *Let \mathcal{E} be a quantized domain in a Hilbert space H with its union space \mathcal{D} . If $\{\mathcal{K}_\theta\}$ is a family of quantized domains in H such that $\mathcal{K}_\theta \sim \mathcal{E}$ for all θ , then their disjoint union $\mathcal{K} = \bigvee\{\mathcal{K}_\theta\}$ is a domain in H such that $\mathcal{K} \sim \mathcal{E}$ and $\bigcap_\theta C_{\mathcal{K}_\theta}(\mathcal{D}) = C_{\mathcal{K}}(\mathcal{D})$, $\bigcap_\theta C_{\mathcal{K}_\theta}^*(\mathcal{D}) = C_{\mathcal{K}}^*(\mathcal{D})$. Moreover, $\bigcap_{\mathcal{E}} C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}) = \bigcap_{\mathcal{E}} C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}) = C_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{D}) = C_{\mathcal{F}}^*(\mathcal{D}) = \mathbb{C}1_{\mathcal{D}}$, where \mathcal{F} is the family of all finite-dimensional subspaces of \mathcal{D} .*

Proof. First note that if $T \in C_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{D})$ then $Tx = \lambda_x x$ for each nonzero $x \in \mathcal{D}$. Being T a linear operator, we conclude that $T \in \mathbb{C}1_{\mathcal{D}}$. In particular, $C_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{D}) = C_{\mathcal{F}}^*(\mathcal{D}) = \mathbb{C}1_{\mathcal{D}}$. It follows that $\bigcap_{\mathcal{E}} C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}) = C_{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{D}) = C_{\mathcal{F}}^*(\mathcal{D}) = \bigcap_{\mathcal{E}} C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}) = \mathbb{C}1_{\mathcal{D}}$. The rest follows from (3.1) and (3.2). \square

Now fix a positive integer n and consider the n th Hilbert space power H^n of the Hilbert space H . If $\mathcal{E} = \{H_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ is a quantized domain in H with its union space \mathcal{D} then so is $\mathcal{E}^n = \{H_\alpha^n\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ in H^n whose union space is \mathcal{D}^n . If $\mathfrak{p} = \{P_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ is a projection net associated with \mathcal{E} then so is $\mathfrak{p}^{\oplus n} = \{P_\alpha^{\oplus n}\}$ associated with \mathcal{E}^n . Indeed, $\mathfrak{p}^{\oplus n}$ consists of projections, namely $P_\alpha^{\oplus n}$ is the projection onto H_α^n ($H_\alpha^n \perp H_\alpha^{\perp n} = H_\alpha^{\perp n}$), $\alpha \in \Lambda$. Fix $\alpha, \beta \in \Lambda$, $\alpha \leq \beta$. Then

$$\|P_\alpha^{\oplus n} x\|^2 = \|(P_\alpha x)_i\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \|P_\alpha x_i\|^2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \|P_\beta x_i\|^2 = \|P_\beta^{\oplus n} x\|^2,$$

where $x = (x_i)_i \in H^n$. Thus $P_\alpha^{\oplus n} \leq P_\beta^{\oplus n}$. Hence $\mathfrak{p}^{\oplus n}$ is a projection net in $\mathcal{B}(H^n)$. By Lemma 3.1, there is $\lim \mathfrak{p}^{\oplus n}$ which we denote by Q . Taking into account that $P_\alpha^{\oplus n} \rightarrow Q$ (SOT) and $\lim_\alpha \|x - P_\alpha^{\oplus n} x\|^2 = \lim_\alpha \sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i - P_\alpha x_i\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \lim_\alpha \|x_i - P_\alpha x_i\|^2 = 0$, we deduce that $Q = 1_{H^n}$.

Proposition 3.3. *For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we have*

$$\mathbb{M}_n(C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})) = C_{\mathcal{E}^n}(\mathcal{D}^n) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{M}_n(C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})) = C_{\mathcal{E}^n}^*(\mathcal{D}^n).$$

Proof. Take $T = [T_{ij}] \in \mathbb{M}_n(C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}))$. Then $T \in L(\mathcal{D}^n)$ and it leaves invariant each subspace H_α^n . Indeed, if $x = (x_i)_i \in H_\alpha^n$ then $Tx = (\sum_j T_{ij} x_j)_i \in H_\alpha^n$, for all $T_{ij}(H_\alpha) \subseteq H_\alpha$. Moreover, $T|_{H_\alpha^n} = [T_{ij}|_{H_\alpha}] \in M_n(\mathcal{B}(H_\alpha)) = \mathcal{B}(H_\alpha^n)$. Consequently, $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}^n}(\mathcal{D}^n)$. If $T \in \mathbb{M}_n(C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}))$ then $P_\alpha^{\oplus n} T = [P_\alpha T_{ij}] \subseteq [T_{ij} P_\alpha] = T P_\alpha^{\oplus n}$. Moreover, $P_\alpha^{\oplus n} T P_\alpha^{\oplus n} = [P_\alpha T_{ij} P_\alpha] \in \mathcal{B}(H^n)$. Whence $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}^n}^*(\mathcal{D}^n)$.

Conversely, take $T = [T_{ij}] \in C_{\mathcal{E}^n}(\mathcal{D}^n)$ (respectively, $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}^n}^*(\mathcal{D}^n)$). Since $T(H_\alpha^n) \subseteq H_\alpha^n$ (respectively, $[P_\alpha T_{ij}] \subseteq [T_{ij} P_\alpha]$), it follows that $T_{ij}(H_\alpha) \subseteq H_\alpha$ (respectively, $P_\alpha T_{ij} \subseteq T_{ij} P_\alpha$) for all i, j . Furthermore, $P_\alpha T_{ij} P_\alpha \in \mathcal{B}(H)$, for $P_\alpha^{\oplus n} T P_\alpha^{\oplus n} = [P_\alpha T_{ij} P_\alpha] \in \mathcal{B}(H^n)$. \square

Remark 3.3. Note that if V is a $*$ -subspace in $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ (see Proposition 3.1) then $\mathbb{M}_n(V)$ is a $*$ -subspace in $C_{\mathcal{E}^n}^*(\mathcal{D}^n)$. Indeed, $\mathbb{M}_n(V)$ is a linear subspace in $C_{\mathcal{E}^n}^*(\mathcal{D}^n)$ thanks to Proposition 3.3. Moreover, if $T = [T_{ij}] \in \mathbb{M}_n(V)$ then $T^* = [T_{ji}^*] \in C_{\mathcal{E}^n}^*(\mathcal{D}^n)$ by virtue of Proposition 3.1. But $T_{ji}^* \in V$ for all i, j . Whence $T^* \in \mathbb{M}_n(V)$.

4. Concrete local operator spaces and local operator systems

In this section we introduce a concrete local operator space as a subspace of the Arens–Michael algebra $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ of all noncommutative continuous functions over a quantized domain \mathcal{E} , whereas the local operator systems (respectively, algebras) are unital self-adjoint subspaces (respectively, subalgebras) in the multinormed C^* -algebra $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$.

4.1. The matrix topology in $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$

Recall that a *concrete operator space* E is defined as a subspace of $\mathcal{B}(H)$ for a certain Hilbert space H (see [9, 2.1]). The inclusions $\mathbb{M}_n(E) \subseteq M_n(\mathcal{B}(H)) = \mathcal{B}(H^n)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, determine the matrix norm on E .

Now let $\mathcal{E} = \{H_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ be a quantized domain in a Hilbert space H with its union space \mathcal{D} , and let $\mathfrak{p} = \{P_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ be the projection net in $\mathcal{B}(H)$ associated with \mathcal{E} (see Section 3.2). Fix a positive integer n and take $T \in \mathbb{M}_n(C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}))$. By Proposition 3.3, $\mathbb{M}_n(C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})) = C_{\mathcal{E}^n}(\mathcal{D}^n)$. Thus T leaves invariant each subspace H_{α}^n and $\|T|_{H_{\alpha}^n}\|_{\mathcal{B}(H_{\alpha}^n)} = \|P_{\alpha}^{\oplus n} T P_{\alpha}^{\oplus n}\|$. Put $p_{\alpha} = (p_{\alpha}^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, where $p_{\alpha}^{(n)}(T) = \|P_{\alpha}^{\oplus n} T P_{\alpha}^{\oplus n}\|$, $T \in \mathbb{M}_n(C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}))$, $\alpha \in \Lambda$.

Lemma 4.1. *The family $\{p_{\alpha}: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ is an upward filtered family of matrix seminorms on $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$, which defines a matrix topology on $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$. If $\mathcal{E} \sim \mathcal{K}$ for some domain \mathcal{K} in H then both matrix topologies on $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ and $C_{\mathcal{K}}(\mathcal{D})$ coincide on $C_{\mathcal{E} \cup \mathcal{K}}(\mathcal{D})$. Moreover, $\{p_{\alpha}^{(1)}: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ are multiplicative seminorms on $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$, which are C^* -seminorms on the $*$ -subalgebra $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$.*

Proof. One can easily verify that each p_{α} is a matrix seminorm on $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ and $p_{\alpha} \preceq p_{\beta}$ whenever $\alpha \preceq \beta$. Consequently, $\{p_{\alpha}: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ is an upward filtered family of matrix seminorms on $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ and therefore it determines a matrix topology on $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$.

Now assume that $\mathcal{E} \sim \mathcal{K}$ for some domain $\mathcal{K} = \{K_t\}_{t \in \Omega}$ in H , and let $\mathfrak{p} = \{P_{\alpha}\}$ and $\mathfrak{q} = \{Q_t\}$ be the projection nets in $\mathcal{B}(H)$ associated with \mathcal{E} and \mathcal{K} , respectively, which in turn involves the matrix seminorms $\mathfrak{P} = \{p_{\alpha}\}$ and $\mathfrak{Q} = \{q_t\}$, respectively. As we have confirmed in Section 3.2, $\mathcal{E} \sim \mathcal{K}$ iff $\mathfrak{p} \sim \mathfrak{q}$. By Proposition 3.2, $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}) \cap C_{\mathcal{K}}(\mathcal{D}) = C_{\mathcal{E} \vee \mathcal{K}}(\mathcal{D})$. It remains to prove that \mathfrak{P} and \mathfrak{Q} are equivalent matrix seminorm families ($\mathfrak{P} \sim \mathfrak{Q}$) on $C_{\mathcal{E} \vee \mathcal{K}}(\mathcal{D})$. By assumption, for each P_{α} there corresponds Q_t such that $P_{\alpha} \leq Q_t$ and vice versa. It follows that $P_{\alpha} = P_{\alpha} Q_t = Q_t P_{\alpha}$ and using Proposition 3.3, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} p_{\alpha}^{(n)}(T) &= \|P_{\alpha}^{\oplus n} T P_{\alpha}^{\oplus n}\| = \|(P_{\alpha} Q_t)^{\oplus n} T P_{\alpha}^{\oplus n}\| = \|P_{\alpha}^{\oplus n} Q_t^{\oplus n} T P_{\alpha}^{\oplus n}\| = \|P_{\alpha}^{\oplus n} Q_t^{\oplus n} T Q_t^{\oplus n} P_{\alpha}^{\oplus n}\| \\ &\leq \|Q_t^{\oplus n} T Q_t^{\oplus n}\| = q_t^{(n)}(T) \end{aligned}$$

for all $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}^n}(\mathcal{D}^n) \cap C_{\mathcal{K}^n}(\mathcal{D}^n)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, that is, $p_{\alpha} \preceq q_t$. The rest is clear. \square

Thus $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ has a canonical local operator space structure given by the family $\{p_{\alpha}: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ of matrix seminorms associated with the domain \mathcal{E} . The next assertion states that $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ is complete and its $*$ -subalgebra $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is closed, that is, $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is a multinormed C^* -algebra.

Proposition 4.1. *The local operator space $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ is complete. Thus $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ is an Arens–Michael algebra whose $*$ -subalgebra $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is a multinormed C^* -algebra.*

Proof. Consider a linear subspace $V \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ and let \tilde{V} be its completion. We prove that \tilde{V} is identified up to a topological isomorphism with a subspace in $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$. Take a Cauchy net $\{T_{\lambda}\}$ in V . According to the definition, $\{T_{\lambda}|H_{\alpha}\}$ is a Cauchy net in $\mathcal{B}(H_{\alpha})$ for each $\alpha \in \Lambda$. Put $T^{(\alpha)}$ for the (uniform) limit of the net $\{T_{\lambda}|H_{\alpha}\}$ in $\mathcal{B}(H_{\alpha})$. If $\alpha \leq \beta$ then

$$T^{(\beta)}|H_{\alpha} = \left(\lim_{\lambda} \{T_{\lambda}|H_{\beta}\}\right)|H_{\alpha} = \lim_{\lambda} \{(T_{\lambda}|H_{\beta})|H_{\alpha}\} = \lim_{\lambda} \{T_{\lambda}|H_{\alpha}\} = T^{(\alpha)}.$$

Thus we have a well-defined unbounded operator T on H such that $\text{dom}(T) = \mathcal{D}$ and $T|H_{\alpha} = T^{(\alpha)}$ for all $\alpha \in \Lambda$. In particular, $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$. One can easily verify that the linear mapping $\tilde{V} \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$, $\{T_{\lambda}\} \rightarrow T$, determines an embedding. Therefore \tilde{V} can be identified with a linear subspace in $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$. The family of seminorms $q_{\alpha}^{(n)}(T) = \|T|H_{\alpha}^n\|$, $T \in \mathbb{M}_n(\tilde{V})$, determines a Hausdorff matrix polynormed topology on \tilde{V} . Moreover, each $q_{\alpha}^{(1)}$ is a continuous seminorm on \tilde{V} , for $q_{\alpha}^{(1)} = p_{\alpha}^{(1)}$ on the dense subspace V . So, the original uniformity on \tilde{V} dominates the uniformity associated with the family of seminorms $\{q_{\alpha}^{(1)}\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$. But both uniformities determine the same topology on the dense subspace V . It follows that these uniformities coincide [1, 2.3.14]. Whence \tilde{V} is identified with a subspace in $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ up to a topological isomorphism. In particular, putting $V = C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ we derive that $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ is complete. Bearing in mind (Lemma 4.1) that the defining seminorms $\{p_{\alpha}^{(1)}\}$ are multiplicative, we deduce that $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ is an Arens–Michael algebra.

Now assume that $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ belongs to the closure of the $*$ -subalgebra $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ in $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$. So, there is a net $\{T_{\lambda}\}$ in $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ such that $\lim\{T_{\lambda}\} = T$ in $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$. The latter means that $\lim\{T_{\lambda}|H_{\alpha}\} = T|H_{\alpha}$ for all α . Using Proposition 3.1, infer that $(T|H_{\alpha})^{\star} = (\lim\{T_{\lambda}|H_{\alpha}\})^{\star} = \lim\{(T_{\lambda}|H_{\alpha})^{\star}\} = \lim\{T_{\lambda}^*|H_{\alpha}\}$, where $(T|H_{\alpha})^{\star}$ is the norm dual of $T|H_{\alpha} \in \mathcal{B}(H_{\alpha})$. Put $Sx = (T|H_{\alpha})^{\star}x$ if $x \in H_{\alpha}$. It is a well-defined unbounded operator on H . Indeed, if $\alpha, \beta \in \Lambda$ with $\alpha \leq \beta$, then $(T|H_{\beta})^{\star}|H_{\alpha} = (\lim\{T_{\lambda}^*|H_{\beta}\})|H_{\alpha} = \lim\{(T_{\lambda}^*|H_{\beta})|H_{\alpha}\} = \lim\{T_{\lambda}^*|H_{\alpha}\} = (T|H_{\alpha})^{\star}$. Therefore $Sx = (T|H_{\alpha})^{\star}x = (T|H_{\beta})^{\star}x$ if $x \in H_{\alpha}$. Moreover, $\text{dom}(S) = \mathcal{D}$. Further, note that $\langle Tx, y \rangle = \langle x, (T|H_{\alpha})^{\star}y \rangle = \langle x, Sy \rangle$ for all $x, y \in H_{\alpha}$. It follows that $\langle Tx, y \rangle = \langle x, Sy \rangle$ for all $x, y \in \mathcal{D}$, that is, $S = T^{\star}|_{\mathcal{D}} = T^* \in C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$. By Proposition 3.1, $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$. Hence $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is a closed subalgebra in $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$. But all defining seminorms $\{p_{\alpha}^{(1)}\}$ on $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ restricted to the $*$ -algebra $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ are C^* -seminorms (see Lemma 4.1), therefore $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is a unital multinormed C^* -algebra. \square

Now consider the Arens–Michael algebra $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ over a quantized Fréchet domain $\mathcal{E} = \{H_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, so $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ is the Fréchet–Arens–Michael algebra. Let $\mathfrak{p} = \{P_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be the projection net associated with \mathcal{E} , and let $S_n = (1 - P_{n-1})P_n$ be the projection onto the subspace $H_{n-1}^{\perp} \cap H_n$, $n \geq 2$. For $n = 1$ we put $S_1 = P_1$.

The following assertion will be used later in Section 8.

Proposition 4.2. *If $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ then it has a triangular matrix representation*

$$T = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^m S_k T S_m = \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} & \cdots \\ 0 & T_{22} & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix},$$

where $T_{km} = S_k T S_m \in \mathcal{B}(H)$, $k \leq m$. Moreover, if $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ then it has a diagonal representation $T = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} S_m T S_m$, and the correspondence $T \mapsto \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} S_m T S_m$ implements a local matrix contractive projection $D : C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}) \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ onto the multinormed C^* -algebra $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$.

Proof. Take $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$. Then $T P_n = P_n T P_n \in \mathcal{B}(H)$ for all n (see (3.1)). It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^m S_k T S_m P_n &= \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m S_k T S_m P_n = \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m S_k T S_m = \sum_{m=1}^n \left(\sum_{k=1}^m S_k \right) T S_m \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^n \left(P_1 + \sum_{k=2}^m (1 - P_{k-1}) P_k \right) T S_m = \sum_{m=1}^n P_m T S_m = \sum_{m=1}^n P_m T P_m S_m \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^n T P_m S_m = \sum_{m=1}^n T S_m \\ &= T P_n \end{aligned}$$

for all n , that is, $T = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^m S_k T S_m$. Thus T is a triangular operator given by the matrix $[T_{km}]_{k \leq m}$. If $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ then $S_k T S_m = (1 - P_{k-1}) P_k T S_m = (1 - P_{k-1}) T P_k S_m = 0$ if $k < m$. Hence T is a diagonal operator and $T = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} S_m T S_m = [T_{mm}]$.

Further, note that $P_n D(T) = P_n \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} S_k T S_k \subseteq P_n \sum_{k=1}^n S_k T S_k = \sum_{k=1}^n S_k T S_k = D(T) P_n$, for $P_i \leq P_{i+1}$ for all i . Thus $D(T)(H_n) \subseteq H_n$ and $D(T)|_{H_n} = \bigoplus_{k=1}^n S_k T S_k \in \mathcal{B}(H_n)$ for all n , that is, D is well defined. Moreover, $D(T) \in C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$.

Let us verify that $D : C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}) \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ is a local matrix contraction. First note that $D^{(s)}(v) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} S_n^{\oplus s} v S_n^{\oplus s}$ for all $v \in C_{\mathcal{E}^s}(\mathcal{D}^s)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} p_n^{(s)}(D^{(s)}(v)) &= \|P_n^{\oplus s} D^{(s)}(v) P_n^{\oplus s}\| = \left\| \bigoplus_{k=1}^n S_k^{\oplus s} v S_k^{\oplus s} \right\| = \max\{\|S_k^{\oplus s} v S_k^{\oplus s}\| : k \leq n\} \\ &= \max\{\|S_k^{\oplus s} P_n^{\oplus s} v P_n^{\oplus s} S_k^{\oplus s}\| : k \leq n\} \leq \|P_n^{\oplus s} v P_n^{\oplus s}\| = p_n^{(s)}(v). \end{aligned}$$

Thus $p_n^{(\infty)} D^{(\infty)} \leq p_n^{(\infty)}$ for all n , thereby D is a local matrix contraction.

It remains to confirm that $D(T) = T$ whenever $T \in C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$. Consequently, $D : C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}) \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ is a local matrix contractive projection onto $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$. \square

4.2. Concrete models

Now we introduce concrete local operator spaces, local operator systems and local operator algebras as relevant subspaces in $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ compatible with its interior structures.

If V is a linear subspace in $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ then we set $V^* = \{T^* : T \in V\}$ (see Proposition 3.1) for the space of all dual operators taken from V . A linear subspace $V \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is said to be *self-adjoint* (respectively, *unital*) if $V^* = V$ (respectively, $1_{\mathcal{D}} \in V$).

Definition 4.1. Any linear subspace in $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ is called a concrete local operator space on a quantized domain \mathcal{E} . A unital self-adjoint subspace in $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is called a local operator system. If $TS \in V$ for all elements T, S of a local operator system V , then we say that V is a local operator algebra.

The completions of the concrete models introduced in Definition 4.1 remain the same concrete models thanks to Proposition 4.1 and its proof. In particular, if $V \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is a local operator algebra then its completion $\tilde{V} \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is a multinormed C^* -algebra called a *local operator C^* -algebra*.

Remark 4.1. Let $V \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ be a local operator system and let $V_{\alpha} = \{T|H_{\alpha} : T \in V\} \subseteq \mathcal{B}(H_{\alpha})$ be the range of the unital $*$ -linear mapping $\pi_{\alpha} : V \rightarrow V_{\alpha}$, $\pi_{\alpha}(T) = T|H_{\alpha}$. In particular, V_{α} is a normed operator system [9, 5.1] on H_{α} called an operator system associated with the matrix seminorm p_{α} . If $\alpha, \beta \in \Lambda$, $\alpha \leq \beta$, then we have a unital $*$ -linear restriction mapping $\pi_{\alpha\beta} : V_{\beta} \rightarrow V_{\alpha}$ such that $\pi_{\alpha\beta}\pi_{\beta} = \pi_{\alpha}$. Thus V is a local operator system subspace of the inverse limit $\varprojlim\{V_{\alpha}, \pi_{\alpha\beta}\}$ of the operator systems. In particular, the matrix topology of V is just the projective operator space topology [10, Section 6]. Finally, on account of Proposition 4.1, we also deduce that $\tilde{V} = \varprojlim\{\tilde{V}_{\alpha}, \pi_{\alpha\beta}\}$.

A local operator algebra is an example of Op^* -algebra [3,17,19], which is a particular case of a Lassner algebra on H [12, 3.2.3]. It is proved [3] that each F^* -algebra (Fréchet multinormed C^* -algebra) A can be realized as a local operator algebra on some Hilbert space H . The same result is true for the barreled multinormed C^* -algebras [17]. For the general case (see [12, 5.3.46]) we investigate the problem below in Section 7.2 developing a local operator space version of the construction used in [5, Theorem 6] and [13, Theorem 5.1].

4.3. Local positivity and local matrix contraction

Now let us introduce local positivity in a local operator system. Let $V \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ be a local operator system. An element $T \in V$ is called *local hermitian* if $T = T^*$ on a certain subspace H_{α} , that is, $T|H_{\alpha} = T^*|H_{\alpha} = (T|H_{\alpha})^*$ in $\mathcal{B}(H_{\alpha})$, or $\pi_{\alpha}(T) = \pi_{\alpha}(T^*)$ in V_{α} (see Remark 4.1). In this case, we write $T =_{\alpha} T^*$. If the latter is true for all α , we say that T is (global) *hermitian*. The set of all local hermitian elements in V is denoted by V_{lh} . An element $T \in V$ is said to be *local positive* if $T \geq_{\alpha} 0$, that is, $T|H_{\alpha} \geq 0$ in $\mathcal{B}(H_{\alpha})$ (or $\pi_{\alpha}(T) \geq 0$ in V_{α}), for some $\alpha \in \Lambda$. Similarly, it is defined a (global) *positive* element in V . The set of all local positive elements in V is denoted by V^+ . Evidently, $I_{\mathcal{D}} \in V^+ \subseteq V_{\text{lh}}$. Moreover,

$$V_{\text{lh}} \subseteq V^+ - V^+. \tag{4.1}$$

Indeed, take $T \in V_{\text{lh}}$. Then $T|H_{\alpha}$ is hermitian in $\mathcal{B}(H_{\alpha})$ for some α , and

$$T = (T + p_{\alpha}^{(1)}(T)I_{\mathcal{D}}) - p_{\alpha}^{(1)}(T)I_{\mathcal{D}}.$$

Moreover, $(T + p_{\alpha}^{(1)}(T)I_{\mathcal{D}})|H_{\alpha} = T|H_{\alpha} + p_{\alpha}^{(1)}(T)I_{H_{\alpha}} = T|H_{\alpha} + \|T|H_{\alpha}\|I_{H_{\alpha}} \geq 0$ in $\mathcal{B}(H_{\alpha})$, that is, $T + p_{\alpha}^{(1)}(T)I_{\mathcal{D}} \in V^+$ and $p_{\alpha}^{(1)}(T)I_{\mathcal{D}} \in V^+$.

Let $V \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ and $W \subseteq C_{\mathcal{K}}^*(\mathcal{O})$ be local operator systems on the quantized domains $\mathcal{E} = \{H_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ and $\mathcal{K} = \{K_{\iota}\}_{\iota \in \Omega}$ with their union spaces \mathcal{D} and \mathcal{O} , respectively. A linear mapping $\varphi : V \rightarrow W$ is said to be *local positive* if for each $\iota \in \Omega$ there corresponds $\alpha \in \Lambda$ such that $\varphi(v) \geq_{\iota} 0$ whenever $v \geq_{\alpha} 0$, and $\varphi(v) =_{\iota} 0$ if $v =_{\alpha} 0$, $v \in V$. For brevity, we write $\varphi(v) >_{\iota} 0$ whenever $v >_{\alpha} 0$. In particular, for each ι the mapping φ can be factored through a positive mapping $\varphi_{\iota\alpha} : V_{\alpha} \rightarrow W_{\iota}$, $\varphi_{\iota\alpha}\pi_{\alpha} = \varphi\pi_{\iota}$, between the relevant (normed) operator systems (see Remark 4.1). Further, a linear mapping $\varphi : V \rightarrow W$ is called *local matrix positive* if for each $\iota \in \Omega$

there corresponds $\alpha \in \Lambda$ such that $\varphi^{(n)}(v) \geq_l 0$ (that is, $\varphi^{(n)}(v)|K_l^n \geq 0$) whenever $v \geq_\alpha 0$ (that is, $v|H_\alpha^n \geq 0$), and $\varphi^{(n)}(v) =_l 0$ if $v =_\alpha 0$, $v \in M_n(V)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Thus $\varphi^{(n)}(v) >_l 0$ whenever $v >_\alpha 0$, $v \in M_n(V)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$. In this case, the mapping $\varphi_{i\alpha} : V_\alpha \rightarrow W_l$ should be matrix positive. In particular, all $\varphi^{(n)}$ are local positive maps. We say that $\varphi : V \rightarrow W$ is a *morphism* if it is a local matrix positive and unital, that is, $\varphi(I_{\mathcal{D}}) = I_{\mathcal{O}}$. Finally, if for each $l \in \Omega$ there corresponds $\alpha \in \Lambda$ such that $\|\varphi^{(n)}(v)\|_{\mathcal{B}(K_l^n)} \leq \|v\|_{\mathcal{B}(H_\alpha^n)}$ for all $v \in M_n(V)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then we say that $\varphi : V \rightarrow W$ is a *local matrix contraction*. Moreover, if $\Omega = \Lambda$ and $\|\varphi^{(n)}(v)\|_{\mathcal{B}(K_\alpha^n)} = \|v\|_{\mathcal{B}(H_\alpha^n)}$ for all $v \in M_n(V)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\alpha \in \Lambda$, then φ is called a *local matrix isometry*.

Lemma 4.2. *Let $V \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ be a local operator system. If \mathcal{E} is a totally ordered family then V_{lh} is a real subspace in V , V^+ is a cone in V , and $V_{\text{lh}} = V^+ - V^+$.*

Proof. Take $T, S \in V_{\text{lh}}$ (respectively, $T, S \in V^+$). According to the definition, $T|H_\alpha = T^*|H_\alpha$ and $S|H_\beta = S^*|H_\beta$ (respectively, $T|H_\alpha \geq 0$ and $S|H_\beta \geq 0$) for some $\alpha, \beta \in \Lambda$. By assumption, $\alpha \leq \beta$ or $\beta \leq \alpha$. Assume $\alpha \leq \beta$. Then $H_\alpha \subseteq H_\beta$, hence both operators $T|H_\alpha$ and $S|H_\alpha$ are hermitian (respectively, positive) in $\mathcal{B}(H_\alpha)$. Consequently, so is $T - S$ (respectively, $T + S$). Thus $T - S \in V_{\text{lh}}$ (respectively, $T + S \in V^+$). It remains to use (4.1). \square

Now we investigate a relationship between local positivity and continuity. We prove that for a unital linear mapping between local operator systems the properties to be local matrix positive and local matrix contractive are equivalent.

Lemma 4.3. *Let V (respectively, W) be either local operator system or unital multinormed C^* -algebra, and let $\varphi : V \rightarrow W$ be a local positive mapping. Then $\varphi(v^*) = \varphi(v)^*$ for all $v \in V$. In particular, $\varphi^{(n)}(v^*) = \varphi^{(n)}(v)^*$ for all $v \in M_n(V)$, whenever φ is local matrix positive.*

Proof. Take $v \in V$. One should prove that $\varphi(v^*) = \varphi(v)^*$, that is, $\varphi(v^*) =_l \varphi(v)^*$ for all $l \in \Omega$. Being φ a local positive mapping, we assert that for each $l \in \Omega$ there corresponds $\alpha \in \Lambda$ such that $\varphi(w) \geq_l 0$ whenever $w \geq_\alpha 0$, $w \in V$. Let $\text{Re}(v) = (v + v^*)/2$ and $\text{Im}(v) = (v - v^*)/2i$ be the (global) hermitian elements associated with v , thus $\text{Re}(v)^* =_\gamma \text{Re}(v)$ and $\text{Im}(v)^* =_\gamma \text{Im}(v)$ for all $\gamma \in \Lambda$. If $w = \text{Re}(v)$ (respectively, $w = \text{Im}(v)$) then $w = w_1 - w_2$, where $w_1 = w + p_\alpha^{(1)}(w)I_{\mathcal{D}}$ and $w_2 = p_\alpha^{(1)}(w)I_{\mathcal{D}}$. Moreover, $w_k \geq_\alpha 0$, $k = 1, 2$. It follows that $\varphi(w_k) \geq_l 0$, $k = 1, 2$. Therefore $\varphi(w)|K_l$ as the difference of positive operators is hermitian, that is, $\varphi(w)^* =_l \varphi(w)$. But the latter is true for each l , whence $\varphi(w)^* = \varphi(w)$. Similar argument can be applied to $w = \text{Im}(v)$.

Thus $\varphi(v)^* = (\varphi(\text{Re}(v)) + i\varphi(\text{Im}(v)))^* = \varphi(\text{Re}(v)) - i\varphi(\text{Im}(v)) = \varphi(v^*)$, $v \in V$. \square

Lemma 4.4. *Let V (respectively, W) be either local operator system or unital multinormed C^* -algebra, and let $\varphi : V \rightarrow W$ be a local matrix positive linear mapping. Then φ is matrix continuous.*

Proof. Take an index $l \in \Omega$. By assumption, there are an index $\alpha \in \Lambda$ and a matrix positive mapping $\varphi_{i\alpha} : V_\alpha \rightarrow W_l$ such that $\varphi_{i\alpha}\pi_\alpha = \pi_l\varphi$, where V_α (respectively, W_l) is the normed operator system associated with the seminorm p_α (respectively, q_l) (see Remark 4.1). Using [9, Lemma 5.5.1], we conclude that $\varphi_{i\alpha}$ is matrix bounded, that is, $q_l^{(n)}(\varphi^{(n)}(v)) \leq C_{i\alpha}p_\alpha^{(n)}(v)$ for all $v \in M_n(V)$ and n , where $C_{i\alpha} = \|\varphi_{i\alpha}(I_{H_\alpha})\| = \|\varphi(I_{\mathcal{D}})|K_l\|$ (in the C^* -algebra case, we put $C_{i\alpha} = \|\pi_l(\varphi(1_A))\|_{B_l}$). Thus φ is matrix continuous. \square

Corollary 4.1. *Let V (respectively, W) be either local operator system or unital multinormed C^* -algebra, and let $\varphi: V \rightarrow W$ be a unital linear mapping. Then φ is local matrix positive iff φ is a local matrix contraction.*

Proof. If φ is a local matrix positive and $\varphi(I_{\mathcal{D}}) = I_{\mathcal{O}}$, then using Lemma 4.4, we obtain that for each $\iota \in \Omega$ there corresponds $\alpha \in \Lambda$ such that $q_{\iota}^{(\infty)} \varphi^{(\infty)} \leq C_{\iota\alpha} p_{\alpha}^{(\infty)}$, where $C_{\iota\alpha} = \|\varphi(I_{\mathcal{D}})|K_{\iota}\| = \|I_{\mathcal{O}}|K_{\iota}\| = \|I_{K_{\iota}}\| = 1$. In the C^* -algebra case, we have $C_{\iota\alpha} = \|\pi_{\iota}\varphi(I_{\mathcal{D}})\|_{B_{\iota}} = \|\pi_{\iota}(1_B)\|_{B_{\iota}} = \|1_{B_{\iota}}\|_{B_{\iota}} = 1$ and similarly, $\|\pi_{\iota}\varphi(1_A)\|_{B_{\iota}} = 1$. Thus $q_{\iota}^{(\infty)} \varphi^{(\infty)} \leq p_{\alpha}^{(\infty)}$, which means that φ is a local matrix contraction.

Conversely, assume that φ is a local matrix contraction. According to the definition, for each $\iota \in \Omega$ there corresponds $\alpha \in \Lambda$ such that $q_{\iota}^{(\infty)} \varphi^{(\infty)} \leq p_{\alpha}^{(\infty)}$. Thus φ can be factored through a matrix contraction $\varphi_{\iota\alpha}: V_{\alpha} \rightarrow W_{\iota}$ between operator systems (see Remark 4.1). It follows that $\varphi_{\iota\alpha}$ is matrix positive by virtue of [9, Corollary 5.1.2]. Whence φ is local matrix positive. \square

5. The Stinespring theorem

In this section we propose a locally convex version of the Stinespring theorem and investigate the decomposition of a local matrix contraction into the contractions and unital contractive $*$ -homomorphism.

5.1. The $*$ -homomorphism π

First, with each local matrix contractive and local matrix positive mapping from a unital multinormed C^* -algebra A into a local operator system we associate a unital contractive $*$ -homomorphism from A into a local operator C^* -algebra.

Everywhere in this section we shall assume that $\{p_{\alpha}: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ is a (saturated) family of C^* -seminorms of a unital multinormed C^* -algebra A , A_{α} is the C^* -algebra associated with the C^* -seminorm p_{α} , $\pi_{\alpha}: A \rightarrow A_{\alpha}$ is the canonical $*$ -homomorphism, $V \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is a local operator system on a quantized domain $\mathcal{E} = \{H_{\iota}\}_{\iota \in \Omega}$ in H with its union space \mathcal{D} , $\mathfrak{p} = \{P_{\iota}\}_{\iota \in \Omega}$ is the projection net associated with \mathcal{E} , and $\{q_{\iota}: \iota \in \Omega\}$ is a defining family of matrix seminorms on $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$, where each $q_{\iota} = (q_{\iota}^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ with $q_{\iota}^{(n)}(v) = \|P_{\iota}^{\oplus n} T P_{\iota}^{\oplus n}\|$, $v \in C_{\mathcal{E}^n}^*(\mathcal{D}^n)$. Further, we fix a local matrix contractive and local matrix positive mapping $\varphi: A \rightarrow V$ (with respect to the matrix seminorms $\{p_{\alpha}: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ and $\{q_{\iota}: \iota \in \Omega\}$). Thus for each $\iota \in \Omega$ there corresponds $\alpha, \beta \in \Lambda$ such that $q_{\iota}^{(\infty)} \varphi^{(\infty)} \leq p_{\alpha}^{(\infty)}$, and $\varphi^{(n)}(a) >_{\iota} 0$ whenever $a >_{\beta} 0$ for all $a \in M_n(A)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Take $\gamma \in \Lambda$ with $\gamma \geq \alpha$ and $\gamma \geq \beta$. Since $p_{\alpha}^{(\infty)} \leq p_{\gamma}^{(\infty)}$ and the connecting $*$ -homomorphism $\pi_{\beta\gamma}: A_{\gamma} \rightarrow A_{\alpha}$ is matrix positive, we may assume that $\alpha = \beta$. If $V \subseteq \mathcal{B}(H)$ (that is, when $\mathcal{E} = \{H\}$) then we have $\|\varphi^{(n)}(a)\|_{\mathcal{B}(H^n)} \leq p_{\alpha}^{(n)}(a)$, and $\varphi^{(n)}(a) \geq 0$ whenever $a \geq_{\alpha} 0$, $a \in M_n(A)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$. In the latter case, we say that φ is a matrix α -contractive and matrix α -positive. The original inner product in H is denoted by $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$.

Lemma 5.1. *Let $A \otimes \mathcal{D}$ be the algebraic tensor product of the multinormed C^* -algebra A and the union space \mathcal{D} of \mathcal{E} , and let $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ be the sesquilinear form on $A \otimes \mathcal{D}$ determined by the rule $\langle \sum b_j \otimes \eta_j, \sum a_i \otimes \xi_i \rangle = \sum \langle \varphi(a_i^* b_j) \eta_j | \xi_i \rangle$ for all $a_i, b_j \in A$ and $\xi_i, \eta_j \in \mathcal{D}$. Then $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is a positive semidefined sesquilinear form on $A \otimes \mathcal{D}$, and therefore it induces a Hilbert space inner product on the quotient space $(A \otimes \mathcal{D})/N$ modulo the subspace $N = \{u \in A \otimes \mathcal{D}: \langle u, u \rangle = 0\}$.*

The proof is the same as in the normed case [9, 5.2.1].

Let K be the completion of the pre-Hilbert space $(A \otimes \mathcal{D})/N$ (if $V \subseteq \mathcal{B}(H)$ then K is the completion of $(A \otimes H)/N$) from Lemma 5.1. For each $a \in A$, consider the linear mapping $\pi(a) = L_a \otimes I_{\mathcal{D}} : A \otimes \mathcal{D} \rightarrow A \otimes \mathcal{D}$, where $L_a \in L(A)$, $L_a x = ax$, is the left multiplication (by a) operator on A . Take a tensor $u = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \otimes \xi_i \in A \otimes \mathcal{D}$. Being $\{H_\iota\}_{\iota \in \Omega}$ a directed family of subspaces in H , there is an index ι such that $\{\xi_i\} \subseteq H_\iota$, that is, $\xi = (\xi_i) \in H_\iota^n$. For that index ι there corresponds $\alpha \in \Lambda$ with the above confirmed properties of the mapping φ . Note that

$$\langle \pi(a)u, \pi(a)u \rangle = \left\langle \sum a a_i \otimes \xi_i, \sum a a_i \otimes \xi_i \right\rangle = \langle \varphi^{(n)}([a_i^* a^* a a_j]) \xi | \xi \rangle$$

and $[a_i^* a^* a a_j] \leq_\gamma p_\gamma(a)^2 [a_i^* a_j]$, that is, $\pi_\gamma^{(n)}([a_i^* a^* a a_j]) \leq p_\gamma(a)^2 \pi_\gamma^{(n)}([a_i^* a_j])$ for all $\gamma \in \Lambda$. Then $\varphi^{(n)}([a_i^* a^* a a_j]) \leq_\iota p_\alpha(a)^2 \varphi^{(n)}([a_i^* a_j])$. By Lemma 5.1,

$$\langle \pi(a)u, \pi(a)u \rangle = \langle \varphi^{(n)}([a_i^* a^* a a_j]) \xi | \xi \rangle \leq p_\alpha(a)^2 \langle \varphi^{(n)}([a_i^* a_j]) \xi | \xi \rangle = p_\alpha(a)^2 \langle u, u \rangle,$$

that is,

$$\langle \pi(a)u, \pi(a)u \rangle \leq p_\alpha(a)^2 \langle u, u \rangle \tag{5.1}$$

for all $a \in A$. In particular, $\pi(a)(N) \subseteq N$, therefore it determines a linear mapping on the quotient space $(A \otimes \mathcal{D})/N$ denoted by $\pi(a)$ too. Thus $\pi(a)$ is a densely defined unbounded operator on the Hilbert space K .

Now let $M_\iota = \{(\sum a_j \otimes \xi_j) \sim (\text{mod } N) : \{\xi_j\} \subseteq H_\iota\}$ be a subspace in K , and let K_ι be the closure of M_ι in K . The subspace M_ι is just the range of the subspace $A \otimes H_\iota$ via the quotient mapping $(A \otimes \mathcal{D}) \rightarrow (A \otimes \mathcal{D})/N$, and it is beyond a doubt it is invariant under the linear mapping $\pi(a)$. Moreover, as follows from (5.1), $\|\pi(a)u\| \leq p_\alpha(a)\|u\|$ for all $u \in M_\iota$. Taking into account that $\overline{M_\iota} = K_\iota$, we conclude that the latter inequality is true for all $u \in K_\iota$. Therefore $\pi(a)$ extends up to a bounded linear operator on K_ι , which we denote by $\pi(a)_\iota$. Moreover, $\|\pi(a)_\iota\|_{\mathcal{B}(K_\iota)} \leq p_\alpha(a)$, $a \in A$ (confirm again that ι and α are the same indices associated with φ). If $K_\iota \subseteq K_\nu$ then $(\pi(a)_\nu)|_{K_\iota} = \pi(a)_\iota$. Consider the domain $\mathcal{S} = \{K_\iota\}_{\iota \in \Lambda}$ in K and its union space \mathcal{O} . We have a well-defined unbounded operator $\pi(a)$ on K such that $\text{dom}(\pi(a)) = \mathcal{O}$ and $\pi(a)|_{K_\iota} = \pi(a)_\iota$ for all ι . Thus $\pi(a)$ leaves invariant each subspace K_ι , and for each $\iota \in \Lambda$ there corresponds $\alpha \in \Omega$ such that $\|\pi(a)|_{K_\iota}\| \leq p_\alpha(a)$ for all $a \in A$. Whence $\pi(a) \in C_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathcal{O})$ (see (3.1)). Moreover, the mapping $\pi : A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathcal{O})$, $a \mapsto \pi(a)$, is a unital homomorphism. If $V \subseteq \mathcal{B}(H)$ then $\mathcal{S} = \{K\}$ and $\|\pi(a)\| \leq p_\alpha(a)$ for all $a \in A$, that is, $\pi : A \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(K)$, $a \mapsto \pi(a)$, is a unital α -contractive homomorphism, whenever φ is matrix α -contractive.

Lemma 5.2. *The range of π belongs to the multinormed C^* -algebra $C_{\mathcal{S}}^*(\mathcal{O})$ and $\pi : A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{S}}^*(\mathcal{O})$ is a local contractive unital $*$ -homomorphism. Moreover, π is a faithful representation whenever $\ker(\varphi) = \{0\}$.*

Proof. Take $a \in A$ and $u \sim, v \sim \in M_\iota$ with $u = \sum b_j \otimes \eta_j$, $v = \sum a_i \otimes \xi_i$, where $\{\eta_j, \xi_i\} \subseteq H_\iota$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \pi(a)u \sim, v \sim \rangle &= \langle \pi(a)u, v \rangle = \sum \langle \varphi(a_i^* a b_j) \eta_j | \xi_i \rangle = \sum \langle \varphi((a^* a_i)^* b_j) \eta_j | \xi_i \rangle = \langle u, \pi(a^*)v \rangle \\ &= \langle u \sim, \pi(a^*)v \sim \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

By continuity, $\langle \pi(a)x, y \rangle = \langle x, \pi(a^*)y \rangle$ for all $x, y \in K_l$. By Proposition 3.1, $\pi(a) \in C_{\mathcal{S}}^*(\mathcal{O})$ and $\pi(a)^* = \pi(a^*)$, for all $a \in A$. Moreover, $\pi(ab) = \pi(a)\pi(b)$ for all $a, b \in A$, therefore $\pi : A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{S}}^*(\mathcal{O})$ is a unital $*$ -homomorphism, which is a local contractive mapping by virtue of the construction.

Finally, assume that $\ker(\varphi) = \{0\}$ and let $\pi(a) = 0$ for a certain $a \in A$. Take $u \sim, v \sim \in \mathcal{O}$ with $u = 1_A \otimes \eta, v = 1_A \otimes \xi$, where $\xi, \eta \in \mathcal{D}$. Then $0 = \langle \pi(a)u \sim, v \sim \rangle = \langle a \otimes \eta, 1_A \otimes \xi \rangle = \langle \varphi(a)\eta | \xi \rangle$, in particular, $\langle \varphi(a)\eta | \varphi(a)\eta \rangle = 0$ for all $\eta \in \mathcal{D}$ ($\varphi(a)(\mathcal{D}) \subseteq \mathcal{D}$). Thus $\varphi(a) = 0$, therefore $a = 0$. \square

If $V \subseteq \mathcal{B}(H)$ then $C_{\mathcal{S}}^*(\mathcal{O}) = \mathcal{B}(K)$ and $\pi : A \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(K)$ is a unital α -contractive $*$ -representation, that is, $\|\pi(a)\| \leq p_{\alpha}(a)$ for all $a \in A$.

5.2. The decomposition theorem

Now let us prove the main result of the section. Again we assume that A is a unital multi-normed C^* -algebra with its defining family of C^* -seminorms $\{p_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ and $\mathcal{E} = \{H_{\iota}\}_{\iota \in \Omega}$ is a quantized domain in a Hilbert space H with its union space \mathcal{D} .

Theorem 5.1. *Let $\varphi : A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ be a local matrix contractive mapping. If φ is local matrix positive then there are a quantized domain $\mathcal{S} = \{K_{\iota}\}_{\iota \in \Omega}$ in a Hilbert space K with its union space \mathcal{O} , a contraction $T : H \rightarrow K$, and unital local contractive $*$ -homomorphism $\pi : A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{S}}^*(\mathcal{O})$ such that*

$$T(\mathcal{E}) \subseteq \mathcal{S} \quad \text{and} \quad \varphi(a) \subseteq T^* \pi(a) T$$

for all $a \in A$. Moreover, if $\varphi(1_A) = I_{\mathcal{D}}$ then T is an isometry.

Proof. Let K be the Hilbert space defined above and let π be the representation from Lemma 5.2. Consider a linear mapping $T : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow K$ given by the rule $T(\xi) = (1_A \otimes \xi) \sim \pmod{N}$. Take $\xi \in \mathcal{D}$. Fix $\iota \in \Omega$ and take $\xi \in H_{\iota}$. Then $T\xi \in K_{\iota} \subseteq \mathcal{O}$. Whence $T(H_{\iota}) \subseteq K_{\iota}$. By assumption, $q_{\iota}^{(1)} \varphi \leq p_{\alpha}^{(1)}$ for some α . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \|T\xi\|^2 &= \langle T\xi, T\xi \rangle = \langle 1_A \otimes \xi, 1_A \otimes \xi \rangle = \langle \varphi(1_A)\xi | \xi \rangle \leq \|\varphi(1_A)\xi\| \|\xi\| \\ &\leq \|\varphi(1_A)|_{H_{\iota}}\| \|\xi\|^2 = q_{\iota}^{(1)}(\varphi(1_A)) \|\xi\|^2 \\ &\leq p_{\alpha}^{(1)}(1_A) \|\xi\|^2 = \|\xi\|^2, \end{aligned}$$

that is, $\|T\xi\| \leq \|\xi\|$. If $\varphi(1_A) = I_{\mathcal{D}}$ then $\|T\xi\| = \|\xi\|$. Thus T has unique extension up to a contraction on $\overline{\mathcal{D}} = H$ (respectively, an isometry if $\varphi(1_A) = I_{\mathcal{D}}$).

Finally, take $a \in A$ and $\xi, \eta \in \mathcal{D}$. Then

$$\langle T^* \pi(a) T \xi | \eta \rangle = \langle \pi(a) T \xi, T \eta \rangle = \langle (a \otimes \xi) \sim, (1_A \otimes \eta) \sim \rangle = \langle a \otimes \xi, 1_A \otimes \eta \rangle = \langle \varphi(a)\xi | \eta \rangle,$$

that is, $\langle (T^* \pi(a) T - \varphi(a))\xi | \eta \rangle = 0$ for all $\xi, \eta \in \mathcal{D}$. Fix $\xi \in \mathcal{D}$. Then $(T^* \pi(a) T - \varphi(a))\xi \in H$ and $\langle (T^* \pi(a) T - \varphi(a))\xi | \eta \rangle = 0$ for all $\eta \in H$. Hence $T^* \pi(a) T \xi = \varphi(a)\xi$. Thus $T^* \pi(a) T P_{\iota} = \varphi(a) P_{\iota}$ for all $\iota \in \Omega$. \square

If $V = \mathcal{B}(H)$ and φ is unital, then $T : H \rightarrow K$, $T(\xi) = (1_A \otimes \xi) \sim (\text{mod } N)$, is an isometry and $T^*\pi(a)T = \varphi(a)$ for all $a \in A$. The following particular cases of Theorem 5.1 present an interest.

Corollary 5.1. *Let $\varphi : A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ be a unital local matrix positive mapping. Then there are a quantized domain \mathcal{S} in a Hilbert space K containing H and a unital local contractive $*$ -homomorphism $\pi : A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{S}}^*(\mathcal{O})$ such that*

$$\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathcal{S} \quad \text{and} \quad \varphi(a) \subseteq P_H \pi(a)$$

for all $a \in A$, where \mathcal{O} is the union space of \mathcal{S} and P_H is the projection in $\mathcal{B}(K)$ onto H .

Proof. One should apply Corollary 4.1 and Theorem 5.1. \square

Corollary 5.2. *Let $\varphi : A \rightarrow M_n$ be a unital matrix α -contractive mapping, that is, $\varphi(1_A) = I_{\mathbb{C}^n}$ and $\|\varphi^{(\infty)}(a)\| \leq p_{\alpha}^{(\infty)}(a)$, $a \in M(A)$. There are a unital α -contractive representation $\pi : A \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(K)$ and an isometry $T : \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow K$ such that $T^*\pi(a)T = \varphi(a)$ for all $a \in A$. Moreover, the Hilbert space dimension of K is at most the cardinality $\text{card}(A)$ of A .*

Proof. If $A = \{0\}$ then the assertion is trivial. Assume $A \neq \{0\}$. Note that φ is matrix α -positive thanks to Corollary 4.1. Assume K is the same as in Theorem 5.1, that is, the norm-completion of the pre-Hilbert space $(A \otimes \mathbb{C}^n)/N$. Thus A^n has the dense range M in K . Take a Hilbert basis $(e_{\theta})_{\theta \in \mathcal{E}}$ in K . For each $\theta \in \mathcal{E}$ take $x_{\theta} \in M$ such that $\|e_{\theta} - x_{\theta}\| \leq 2^{-1}$. If $x_{\theta} = x_{\eta}$ for some different θ and η from \mathcal{E} , then $\sqrt{2} = (\|e_{\theta}\|^2 + \|e_{\eta}\|^2)^{1/2} = \|e_{\theta} - e_{\eta}\| \leq \|e_{\theta} - x_{\theta}\| + \|e_{\eta} - x_{\eta}\| \leq 1$, a contradiction. So, $\text{card}(\mathcal{E}) \leq \text{card}(M) \leq \text{card}(A^n) = \text{card}(A)$.

Finally, $T^*\pi(a)T = \varphi(a)$ for all $a \in A$, and $\pi : A \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(K)$ is a unital α -contractive representation due to Theorem 5.1. \square

Corollary 5.3. *If there is a unital local matrix isometry $\varphi : A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ then there is a local isometric $*$ -isomorphism $\pi : A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{S}}^*(\mathcal{O})$ for a certain domain \mathcal{S} .*

Proof. By assumption, $\Lambda = \Omega$ and $q_{\iota}^{(\infty)}\varphi^{(\infty)} = p_{\iota}^{(\infty)}$ for all ι . Being φ a unital local matrix contraction, it is local matrix positive thanks to Corollary 4.1. By Theorem 5.1, there are a quantized domain $\mathcal{S} = \{K_{\iota}\}_{\iota \in \Lambda}$ with its union space \mathcal{O} , a unital local contractive $*$ -isomorphism $\pi : A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{S}}^*(\mathcal{O})$, and an isometry $T : H \rightarrow K$, $T(H_{\iota}) \subseteq K_{\iota}$, $\iota \in \Omega$, such that $\varphi(a) \subseteq T^*\pi(a)T$ for all $a \in A$. As follows from the proof of Theorem 5.1, $\|\pi(a)|K_{\iota}\| \leq p_{\iota}(a)$, $a \in A$, for each ι . Take unit vectors $x, y \in H_{\iota}$. Then so are $Tx, Ty \in K_{\iota}$, and

$$\langle T^*\pi(a)Tx, y \rangle = \langle \pi(a)Tx, Ty \rangle = \langle (\pi(a)|K_{\iota})Tx, Ty \rangle \leq \|(\pi(a)|K_{\iota})Tx\| \|Ty\| \leq \|\pi(a)|K_{\iota}\|.$$

It follows that $p_{\iota}(a) = \|\varphi(a)|H_{\iota}\| = \|(T^*\pi(a)T)|H_{\iota}\| \leq \|\pi(a)|K_{\iota}\| \leq p_{\iota}(a)$ for all $a \in A$. Thus $\|\pi(a)|K_{\iota}\| = p_{\iota}(a)$, $a \in A$, for each ι , that is, π is a local isometry. \square

Corollary 5.4. *Let $A \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ be a closed local operator system on a quantized domain \mathcal{E} . If there is an associative multiplication in A which turns it into a unital multinormed C^* -algebra then A is a local operator C^* -algebra up to a local isometric isomorphism.*

Proof. It suffices to apply Corollary 5.3 for the identical embedding $A \hookrightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$. \square

Corollary 5.5. *Let $\varphi : A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ be a local matrix contractive mapping. If φ is local matrix positive then $\varphi(a)^*\varphi(a) \leq \varphi(a^*a)$ on \mathcal{D} for all $a \in A$. If $\varphi(a)^*\varphi(a) = \varphi(a^*a)$ then $\varphi(ba) = \varphi(b)\varphi(a)$ for all $b \in A$.*

Proof. By Theorem 5.1, there are a quantized domain $\mathcal{S} = \{K_\iota\}_{\iota \in \Omega}$ in a Hilbert space K , a unital local contractive $*$ -homomorphism $\pi : A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{S}}^*(\mathcal{O})$ and a contraction $T : H \rightarrow K$ such that $TP_\iota = Q_\iota TP_\iota$, $\iota \in \Omega$, and $\varphi(a) \subseteq T^*\pi(a)T$ for all $a \in A$, where $\mathfrak{p} = \{P_\iota\}_{\iota \in \Omega}$ and $\mathfrak{q} = \{Q_\iota\}_{\iota \in \Omega}$ are the projection nets associated with the domains \mathcal{E} and \mathcal{S} , respectively. Moreover, φ preserves the involutions thanks to Lemma 4.3. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(a)^*\varphi(a)P_\iota &= \varphi(a)^*P_\iota\varphi(a)P_\iota = P_\iota\varphi(a)^*P_\iota\varphi(a)P_\iota = (\varphi(a)P_\iota)^*P_\iota\varphi(a)P_\iota \\ &= (T^*\pi(a)TP_\iota)^*\varphi(a)P_\iota = (T^*\pi(a)Q_\iota TP_\iota)^*\varphi(a)P_\iota \\ &= ((Q_\iota T)^*\pi(a)Q_\iota TP_\iota)^*\varphi(a)P_\iota = P_\iota(Q_\iota T)^*\pi(a^*)(Q_\iota T)(Q_\iota T)^*\pi(a)(Q_\iota T)P_\iota \\ &\leq P_\iota(Q_\iota T)^*\pi(a^*)Q_\iota\pi(a)(Q_\iota T)P_\iota = P_\iota(Q_\iota T)^*\pi(a^*a)(Q_\iota T)P_\iota \\ &= P_\iota T^*\pi(a^*a)TP_\iota = P_\iota\varphi(a^*a)P_\iota \\ &= \varphi(a^*a)P_\iota \end{aligned}$$

for all $\iota \in \Lambda$.

Now assume that $\varphi(a)^*\varphi(a) = \varphi(a^*a)$ and consider the mapping $\varphi^{(2)} : M_2(A) \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}^2}^*(\mathcal{D}^2)$ (see Proposition 3.3 and Remark 3.3), which is local matrix contractive and local matrix positive because of so is φ . Then for each $b \in A$,

$$\varphi^{(2)}\left(\begin{bmatrix} b^* & a \\ a^* & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)^*\varphi^{(2)}\left(\begin{bmatrix} b^* & a \\ a^* & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) \leq \varphi^{(2)}\left(\begin{bmatrix} b & a \\ a^* & 0 \end{bmatrix}\begin{bmatrix} b^* & a \\ a^* & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

on \mathcal{D}^2 . It follows that

$$\begin{bmatrix} T & S \\ S^* & 0 \end{bmatrix} \geq 0$$

in $C_{\mathcal{E}^2}^*(\mathcal{D}^2)$, where $T = \varphi(bb^*) - \varphi(b)\varphi(b^*)$ and $S = \varphi(ba) - \varphi(b)\varphi(a)$. Fix $\iota \in \Lambda$. Then $T|_{H_\iota}$ is hermitian. Moreover, one may assume that $T|_{H_\iota} = I_{H_\iota}$. Then $S|_{H_\iota} = 0$. Thus $\varphi(ba) - \varphi(b)\varphi(a) = 0$. Therefore $\varphi(ba) = \varphi(b)\varphi(a)$. \square

Corollary 5.6. *Let $\Phi : C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}) \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ be a local matrix contractive and local matrix positive projection. Then*

$$\Phi(\Phi(a)b) = \Phi(\Phi(a)\Phi(b)) = \Phi(a\Phi(b))$$

for all $a, b \in C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$.

Proof. Assume that $\mathcal{E} = \{H_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ and $\mathfrak{p} = \{P_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ is the projection net in $\mathcal{B}(H)$ associated with \mathcal{E} . One suffices to prove the equalities for the hermitian elements $a, b \in C^*_\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{D})$. We are using the similar argument as in [9, Lemma 6.1.2]. Evidently,

$$d = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \Phi(a) \\ \Phi(a) & b \end{bmatrix}$$

is hermitian in $M_2(C^*_\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{D})) = C^*_{\mathcal{E}^2}(\mathcal{D}^2)$ (see Proposition 3.3). Moreover, $\Phi^{(2)} : C^*_{\mathcal{E}^2}(\mathcal{D}^2) \rightarrow C^*_{\mathcal{E}^2}(\mathcal{D}^2)$ is local matrix contractive and local matrix positive too. Then $\Phi^{(2)}(d)$ is hermitian (see Lemma 4.3) and $\Phi^{(2)}(d)^2 \leq \Phi^{(2)}(d^2)$ on \mathcal{D}^2 thanks to Corollary 5.5. Moreover, $\Phi^{(2)}(\Phi^{(2)}(d^2)) \leq \Phi^{(2)}(\Phi^{(2)}(d^2))$ on \mathcal{D}^2 , for Φ is local matrix positive. It follows that

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & T \\ T^* & S \end{bmatrix} \geq 0 \quad \text{in } C^*_{\mathcal{E}^2}(\mathcal{D}^2),$$

where $T = \Phi(\Phi(a)b) - \Phi(\Phi(a)\Phi(b))$ and $S = \Phi(\Phi(a)^2 + b^2) - \Phi(\Phi(a)^2 + \Phi(b)^2)$. Note that

$$D|H_\alpha^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & T|H_\alpha \\ (T|H_\alpha)^* & S|H_\alpha \end{bmatrix} \geq 0 \quad \text{in } \mathcal{B}(H_\alpha^2).$$

Whence $T|H_\alpha = 0$ for all α , that is, $\Phi(\Phi(a)b) = \Phi(\Phi(a)\Phi(b))$ and $\Phi(b\Phi(a)) = \Phi(\Phi(b)\Phi(a))$, which in turn implies that $\Phi(\Phi(a)b) = \Phi(\Phi(a)\Phi(b)) = \Phi(a\Phi(b))$. The rest is clear. \square

6. The sup-formulas

In this section we describe a continuous matrix seminorm on a local operator space in terms of the matrix duality. The result is based upon the Bipolar theorem which we formulate below.

6.1. The matrix seminorm case

Let V and W be a (Hausdorff) polynormed spaces. These spaces are said to be in duality if there is a pairing $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times W \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ such that all continuous functionals on V are given by the elements of W , and vice versa. We briefly say that (V, W) is a dual pair. Thus both topologies on V and W are compatible with the distinguished duality $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$. For instance, the spaces V and V' are in the canonical duality $\langle x, f \rangle = f(x)$, where $V' = \mathcal{C}(V, \mathbb{C})$ is the space of all continuous linear functionals on V . The given pairing between V and W determines a *matrix pairing*

$$\langle \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle \rangle : \mathbb{M}_m(V) \times \mathbb{M}_n(W) \rightarrow M_{mn}, \quad \langle \langle v, w \rangle \rangle = [\langle v_{ij}, w_{st} \rangle] = w^{(m)}(v) = v^{(n)}(w),$$

where $v = [v_{ij}] \in \mathbb{M}_m(V)$, $w = [w_{st}] \in \mathbb{M}_n(W)$, which are identified with the canonical linear mappings

$$v : W \rightarrow M_m, \quad v(y) = [\langle v_{ij}, y \rangle], \quad \text{and} \quad w : V \rightarrow M_n, \quad w(x) = [\langle x, w_{st} \rangle],$$

respectively. Each $\mathbb{M}_m(V)$ (respectively, $\mathbb{M}_n(W)$) endowed with the polynormed topology induced from V^{n^2} (respectively, W^{n^2}), is denoted by $M_m(V)$ (respectively, $M_n(W)$). In particular,

the polynormed spaces $M_n(V)$ and $M_n(W)$ are equipped with the relevant weak topologies $\sigma(M_n(V), M_n(W))$ and $\sigma(M_n(W), M_n(V))$ determined by the scalar pairing

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : M_n(V) \times M_n(W) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad \langle v, w \rangle = \sum_{i,j} \langle v_{ij}, w_{ij} \rangle.$$

Moreover, the bilinear mapping $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times M_n(W) \rightarrow M_n$ determines all continuous linear mappings $\varphi : V \rightarrow M_n$, that is, $M_n(W) = \mathcal{C}(V, M_n)$.

Given a matrix set \mathfrak{B} in $M(V)$ let us introduce the *absolute operator polar* \mathfrak{B}^\odot in $M(W)$ to be a matrix set (b_n^\odot) defined as

$$b_n^\odot = \{ w \in M_n(W) : \| \langle v, w \rangle \| \leq 1, v \in b_s, s \in \mathbb{N} \}.$$

Similarly, one can define the absolute operator polar $\mathfrak{M}^\odot \subseteq M(V)$ for a matrix set $\mathfrak{M} = (m_n)$ in $M(W)$. A matrix set \mathfrak{B} in $M(V)$ is said to be *weakly closed* if each b_n is $\sigma(M_n(V), M_n(W))$ -closed in $M_n(V)$. Note that \mathfrak{B}^\odot is an absolutely matrix convex and weakly closed set in $M(W)$ [10]. It can be proved that b_1^\odot coincides with the classical absolute polar of b_1 in W , that is, $b_1^\odot = b_1^\circ = \{ w \in W : |\langle v, w \rangle| \leq 1, v \in b_1 \}$.

The classical Bipolar theorem asserts that the double absolute polar $S^{\circ\circ}$ of a subset $S \subseteq V$ is the smallest weakly closed absolutely convex set containing S . The operator version of this result was proved in [10] by Effros and Webster.

Theorem 6.1. *Let (V, W) be a dual pair and let \mathfrak{B} be a matrix set in $M(V)$. Then $\mathfrak{B}^{\odot\odot}$ is the smallest weakly closed absolutely matrix convex set containing \mathfrak{B} . In particular, $\mathfrak{B} = \mathfrak{B}^{\odot\odot}$ for a weakly closed absolutely matrix convex matrix set \mathfrak{B} in $M(V)$.*

Let (V, W) be a dual pair and let $\mathfrak{B} = (b_n)$ be a matrix set in $M(V)$. Let us introduce a family $q_{\mathfrak{B}} = (q_{\mathfrak{B}}^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of gauges on $M(W)$ defined as

$$q_{\mathfrak{B}}^{(n)}(w) = \sup \{ \| \langle v, w \rangle \| : v \in b_r, r \in \mathbb{N} \}, \quad w \in M_n(W), n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

It can easily be verified that $q_{\mathfrak{B}}$ is a matrix gauge on W called a *dual gauge of \mathfrak{B}* . If \mathfrak{B} is the unit set of a matrix gauge $p = (p^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ on V then $q_{\mathfrak{B}}$ is called a *dual gauge of p* and it is denoted by $p^\odot = (p_n^\odot)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$. Thus

$$p_n^\odot(w) = \sup \{ \| w^{(r)}(v) \| : v \in M_r(V), p^{(r)}(v) \leq 1, r \in \mathbb{N} \}$$

for all $w \in M_n(W), n \in \mathbb{N}$. We also introduce the subset $\mathcal{CB}_p(V, M_n) \subseteq M_n(W)$ of all matrix p -contractive linear maps $w : V \rightarrow M_n$, that is, $p_n^\odot(w) \leq 1$.

Lemma 6.1. *Let $\mathfrak{B} = (b_n)$ be a matrix set in $M(V)$ and let $q_{\mathfrak{B}} = (q_{\mathfrak{B}}^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be its dual gauge. Then $q_{\mathfrak{B}}$ is the Minkowski functional of the absolute operator polar $\mathfrak{B}^\odot = (b_n^\odot)$ in $M(W)$. In particular, b_n^\odot is the unit set of the dual gauge $q_{\mathfrak{B}}^{(n)}, n \in \mathbb{N}$.*

Proof. For a while, we denote the matrix gauge of \mathfrak{B}^\odot by $\gamma = (\gamma^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$. Let us prove that $\gamma = q_{\mathfrak{B}}$. First note that the set b_n^\odot is $\sigma(M_n(W), M_n(V))$ -closed by its very definition. Moreover,

\mathfrak{b}_n° is absolutely convex, for \mathfrak{B}° is an absolutely matrix convex set. It follows that $\mathfrak{b}_n^\circ = \{\gamma^{(n)} \leq 1\}$ (if $\gamma^{(n)}(w) = 1$ then $w_\varepsilon = (1 + \varepsilon)^{-1}w \in \mathfrak{b}_n^\circ$ for any $\varepsilon > 0$, and $w = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} w_\varepsilon \in \mathfrak{b}_n^\circ$).

Further, take $t > 0$ with $t^{-1}w \in \mathfrak{b}_n^\circ$. Then $\|\langle v, t^{-1}w \rangle\| \leq 1$ for all $v \in \mathfrak{b}_r, r \in \mathbb{N}$. Thereby $q_{\mathfrak{B}}^{(n)}(w) \leq t$. So, if $\gamma^{(n)}(w) < \infty$ then $q_{\mathfrak{B}}^{(n)}(w) \leq \gamma^{(n)}(w)$. Moreover, if $q_{\mathfrak{B}}^{(n)}(w) = 0$ then $\|\langle v, \mu w \rangle\| = 0$ for all $\mu > 0$ and $v \in \mathfrak{b}_r, r \in \mathbb{N}$, that is, $\mu w \in \mathfrak{b}_n^\circ$ for all $\mu > 0$. Thus $\gamma^{(n)}(w) = 0$. Further, if $q_{\mathfrak{B}}^{(n)}(w) > 0$ then $\|\langle v, (q_{\mathfrak{B}}^{(n)}(w))^{-1}w \rangle\| \leq 1$ for all $v \in \mathfrak{b}_r, r \in \mathbb{N}$. Whence $(q_{\mathfrak{B}}^{(n)}(w))^{-1}w \in \mathfrak{b}_n^\circ$, so $\gamma^{(n)}(w) \leq q_{\mathfrak{B}}^{(n)}(w)$.

Finally, if $q_{\mathfrak{B}}^{(n)}(w) < \infty$ then $\|\langle v, w \rangle\| \leq t$ for all $v \in \mathfrak{b}_r, r \in \mathbb{N}$, and for a certain $t > 0$. It follows that $w \in t\mathfrak{b}_n^\circ$, that is, $\gamma^{(n)}(w) < \infty$. Thus $q_{\mathfrak{B}}^{(n)} = \gamma^{(n)}$ for all n . \square

Proposition 6.1. *Let (V, W) be a dual pair and let p be a matrix gauge on V with its weakly closed unit set. Then $p = p^{\circ\circ}$ and*

$$p^{(n)}(v) = \sup\{\|\langle v, w \rangle\| : w \in \mathcal{CB}_p(V, M_r), r \in \mathbb{N}\}, \quad v \in M_n(V).$$

In particular, if p and q are matrix gauges on V with their weakly closed unit sets then

$$p \preceq q \quad \text{iff} \quad \mathcal{CB}_p(V, M_r) \subseteq \mathcal{CB}_q(V, M_r), \quad r \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Proof. Let \mathfrak{b}_n be the unit set of the seminorm $p^{(n)}, n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $\mathfrak{B} = (\mathfrak{b}_n)$ is a weakly closed absolutely matrix convex set in $M(V)$. By Bipolar theorem 6.1, $\mathfrak{B} = \mathfrak{B}^{\circ\circ}$. By Lemma 6.1, \mathfrak{B}° is the collection of unit sets of the dual gauge p° . On the same ground, $\mathfrak{B}^{\circ\circ}$ is the collection of unit sets of the gauge $p^{\circ\circ}$. Since $\mathfrak{B} = \mathfrak{B}^{\circ\circ}$, we conclude that $p = p^{\circ\circ}$. In particular, using the latter equality, we derive that

$$\begin{aligned} p^{(n)}(v) &= \sup\{\|v^{(r)}(w)\| : w \in \mathfrak{b}_r^\circ, r \in \mathbb{N}\} = \sup\{\|\langle v, w \rangle\| : w \in M_r(W), p_r^\circ(w) \leq 1, r \in \mathbb{N}\} \\ &= \sup\{\|\langle v, w \rangle\| : w \in \mathcal{CB}_p(V, M_r), r \in \mathbb{N}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, let p and q be matrix gauges on V with their weakly closed unit sets $\mathfrak{B} = (\mathfrak{b}_n)$ and $\mathfrak{M} = (\mathfrak{m}_n)$, respectively. If $p \preceq q$ then $\mathfrak{M} \subseteq \mathfrak{B}$. Moreover, if $w \in M_n(W)$ then

$$\begin{aligned} q_n^\circ(w) &= \sup\{\|\langle v, w \rangle\| : v \in \mathfrak{m}_r, r \in \mathbb{N}\} \\ &\leq \sup\{\|\langle v, w \rangle\| : v \in \mathfrak{b}_r, r \in \mathbb{N}\} = p_n^\circ(w). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that $\mathcal{CB}_p(V, M_n) \subseteq \mathcal{CB}_q(V, M_n)$. Conversely, if the latter takes place then

$$\begin{aligned} p^{(n)}(v) &= \sup\{\|\langle v, w \rangle\| : w \in \mathcal{CB}_p(V, M_r), r \in \mathbb{N}\} \\ &\leq \sup\{\|\langle v, w \rangle\| : w \in \mathcal{CB}_q(V, M_r), r \in \mathbb{N}\} = q^{(n)}(v) \end{aligned}$$

for all $v \in M_n(V)$. Whence $p \preceq q$. \square

6.2. The C^* -seminorm case

Let A be a unital multinormed C^* -algebra with a (saturated) family of C^* -seminorms $\{p_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$. Recall that a $*$ -representation $\pi : A \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_\pi)$ is called α -contractive if $\|\pi(a)\| \leq p_\alpha(a)$ for all $a \in A$. Evidently, α -contractive $*$ -representations are exactly those ones which can be factored through the C^* -algebra A_α associated with the C^* -seminorm p_α . Let us introduce the class \mathfrak{s}_α of those α -contractive $*$ -representations $\pi : A \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_\pi)$ such that the Hilbert space dimension of H_π is at most the cardinality of A . Actually, \mathfrak{s}_α can be embedded into the set of all linear maps from A into $\mathcal{B}(\ell_2(A))$, therefore it is a set. Without that assumption on the Hilbert space dimensions one cannot declare that the class of all Hilbert space representations is a set. Note that $\mathfrak{s}_\alpha \subseteq \mathfrak{s}_\beta$ whenever $p_\alpha \leq p_\beta$, $\alpha, \beta \in \Lambda$. Put $\mathfrak{s} = \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mathfrak{s}_\alpha$, which is a set too. The following sup-formula is a C^* -version of one stated in Proposition 6.1.

Proposition 6.2. *The equality $p_\alpha(a) = \sup\{\|\pi(a)\|_{\mathcal{B}(H_\pi)} : \pi \in \mathfrak{s}_\alpha\}$ is true for all $a \in A$, $\alpha \in \Lambda$. In particular, \mathfrak{s}_α is a non-empty set.*

Proof. Take $a \in A$, and let \bar{a} be the range of a in the C^* -algebra A_α generated by the C^* -seminorm p_α , via the canonical mapping $\pi_\alpha : A \rightarrow A_\alpha$. If $\|\bar{a}\|_\alpha$ is the norm of \bar{a} then $\|\bar{a}\|_\alpha = p_\alpha(a)$. By Hahn–Banach theorem, there is an α -contractive functional $\varphi : A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ (that is, $|\varphi(c)| \leq p_\alpha(c)$, $c \in A$) such that $\varphi(a) = p_\alpha(a)$. Using [10, Lemma 5.2], we conclude that $\varphi : A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a matrix α -contractive mapping, that is, $\|\varphi^{(\infty)}(c)\| \leq p_\alpha^{(\infty)}(c)$, $c \in M(A)$. It follows that there is a matrix contraction $\bar{\varphi} : A_\alpha \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ such that $\varphi = \bar{\varphi} \cdot \pi_\alpha$. Using Paulsen’s 2×2 ‘off-diagonalization technique’ (see [9, Theorem 5.3.2]), infer that there are unital contractive functionals $\bar{\psi}_1, \bar{\psi}_2 \in A_\alpha^*$ such that the mapping

$$\bar{\Phi} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\psi}_1 & \bar{\varphi} \\ \bar{\varphi}^* & \bar{\psi}_2 \end{bmatrix} : M_2(A_\alpha) \rightarrow M_2$$

is a morphism. On account of Corollary 4.1, $\bar{\Phi}$ is a unital matrix contraction. It follows that $\Phi = \bar{\Phi} \cdot \pi_\alpha^{(2)} : M_2(A) \rightarrow M_2$ is a unital matrix α -contractive mapping. Furthermore,

$$\Phi(c) = \begin{bmatrix} \psi_1(c) & \varphi(c) \\ \varphi^*(c) & \psi_2(c) \end{bmatrix}$$

with $\psi_i = \bar{\psi}_i \pi_\alpha$, $i = 1, 2$. Using Corollary 5.2, we obtain that $\Phi(c) = V^* \pi_0(c) V$, $c \in M_2(A)$, for some unital α -contractive representation $\pi_0 : M_2(A) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(K)$ and an isometry $V : \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow K$. Moreover, the Hilbert space dimension of K is at most $\text{card}(M_2(A)) = \text{card}(A)$. Put $\pi : A \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(K)$, $\pi(c) = \pi_0(c \oplus c)$. Then $\|\pi(c)\| \leq p_\alpha^{(2)}(c \oplus c) \leq p_\alpha(c)$ (M1) for all $c \in A$, that is, π is a unital α -contractive $*$ -representation. Thereby $\pi \in \mathfrak{s}_\alpha$. Further,

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi \begin{bmatrix} 0 & c \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \varphi(c) \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = V^* \pi_0 \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & c \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) V = V^* \pi_0 \left(\begin{bmatrix} c & 0 \\ 0 & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1_A \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) V \\ &= V^* \pi(c) \pi_0 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1_A \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} V. \end{aligned}$$

Take the vectors $x, y \in K$ determined as

$$x = \pi_0 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1_A \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} V \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1) \quad \text{and} \quad \langle \cdot, y \rangle = [1 \ 0] V^*,$$

where $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is the inner product in K . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \pi(c)x, y \rangle &= [1 \ 0] V^* (\pi(c)x) = [1 \ 0] V^* \pi(c) \pi_0 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1_A \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} V \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1) \\ &= [1 \ 0] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \varphi(c) \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1) \\ &= \varphi(c). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover,

$$\|x\| \leq \left\| \pi_0 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1_A \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\| \leq p_\alpha^{(2)} \left\| \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1_A \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\| = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1_{A_\alpha} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\|_{M_2(A_\alpha)} \leq 1,$$

and $\|y\| = \|[1 \ 0] V^*\| \leq 1$.

Finally, $p_\alpha(a) = \varphi(a) = \langle \pi(a)x, y \rangle \leq \|\pi(a)x\|_K \|y\|_K \leq \|\pi(a)\|_{\mathcal{B}(K)} \leq p_\alpha(a)$, that is, $\|\pi(a)\|_{\mathcal{B}(K)} = p_\alpha(a)$ with $\pi \in \mathfrak{s}_\alpha$. \square

7. The representation theorems

In this section we prove the representation theorems for local operator spaces and multi-normed C^* -algebras.

7.1. The representation theorem for local operator spaces

We start with the representation theorem for local operator spaces.

Theorem 7.1. *Let V be a local operator space. There is a topological matrix isomorphism $\varphi: V \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ of V into the Arens–Michael algebra $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ of all noncommutative continuous functions on a certain quantized domain \mathcal{E} with its union space \mathcal{D} . Thus V is a concrete local operator space up to a topological matrix isomorphism.*

Proof. Consider the dual pair (V, V') . Since any unit set $\mathfrak{B} = (\mathfrak{b}_n)$ of a continuous matrix seminorm on V is closed and absolutely matrix convex, it follows that each \mathfrak{b}_n being a convex and closed set turns out to be $\sigma(M_n(V), M_n(V'))$ -closed by virtue of Mazur’s theorem [14, 10.4.6]. Therefore we may use the sup-formula from Proposition 6.1 with respect to any continuous matrix seminorm on V .

Take a defining (saturated) family $\{p_\alpha: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ of matrix seminorms on V . We complete this family by adding all positive rational multipliers cp_α , $(\alpha, c) \in \Lambda \times \mathbb{Q}_+$, and put $(\alpha, c) \preceq (\beta, d)$ if $cp_\alpha \preceq dp_\beta$. For instance, the latter takes place whenever $\alpha \leq \beta$ and $c \leq d$. The family $\{cp_\alpha: (\alpha, c) \in \Lambda \times \mathbb{Q}_+\}$ is saturated too. Put $\mathfrak{s}_{(\alpha,c)}^{(r)} = \mathcal{CB}_{cp_\alpha}(V, M_r)$ and $\mathfrak{s}_{(\alpha,c)} = \bigcup_{r \in \mathbb{N}} \mathfrak{s}_{(\alpha,c)}^{(r)}$,

where $(\alpha, c) \in \Lambda \times \mathbb{Q}_+$. By Proposition 6.1, $\mathfrak{s}_{(\alpha,c)} \subseteq \mathfrak{s}_{(\beta,d)}$ whenever $(\alpha, c) \preceq (\beta, d)$. It follows that $\{\mathfrak{s}_{(\alpha,c)} : (\alpha, c) \in \Lambda \times \mathbb{Q}_+\}$ is a directed family of sets. Put $\mathfrak{s} = \bigcup_{(\alpha,c) \in \Lambda \times \mathbb{Q}_+} \mathfrak{s}_{(\alpha,c)}$. Take $(\alpha, c) \in \Lambda \times \mathbb{Q}_+$. Let us introduce (as in [9, Theorem 2.3.5]) the Hilbert spaces $H_{(\alpha,c)} = \bigoplus_{w \in \mathfrak{s}_{(\alpha,c)}} \mathbb{C}^{n(w)}$ (the Hilbert space direct sum), where $n(w) = n$ whenever $w \in \mathfrak{s}_{(\alpha,c)}^{(n)}$, $(\alpha, c) \in \Lambda \times \mathbb{Q}_+$. Obviously, $H_{(\alpha,c)}$ is a closed subspace in $H_{(\beta,d)}$ if $(\alpha, c) \preceq (\beta, d)$. Moreover, all $H_{(\alpha,c)}$ are closed subspaces of the Hilbert space $H = \bigoplus_{w \in \mathfrak{s}} \mathbb{C}^{n(w)}$, where $n(w) = n$ whenever $w \in \mathfrak{s}_{(\alpha,c)}^{(n)}$ for some (α, c) and n . So, we have an upward filtered family $\mathcal{E} = \{H_{(\alpha,c)}\}_{(\alpha,c) \in \Lambda \times \mathbb{Q}_+}$ of closed subspaces in H . The relevant projections in $\mathcal{B}(H)$ onto the subspaces $H_{(\alpha,c)}$ are denoted by $P_{(\alpha,c)}$, respectively, and let $\mathfrak{p} = \{P_{(\alpha,c)}\}$. Since $\lim \mathfrak{p} = 1_H$, it follows that the set $\mathcal{D} = \bigcup \mathcal{E}$ is a dense subspace in H (see Corollary 3.1). Hence \mathcal{E} is a quantized domain in H with its union space \mathcal{D} . Further, let us introduce a linear mapping $\Phi_{(\alpha,c)} : V \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_{(\alpha,c)})$, $\Phi_{(\alpha,c)}(v) = (w(v))_{w \in \mathfrak{s}_{(\alpha,c)}}$. Note that $\Phi_{(\alpha,c)}^{(n)} : M_n(V) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_{(\alpha,c)}^n)$ is acting by the rule $\Phi_{(\alpha,c)}^{(n)}(v) = (w^{(n)}(v))_{w \in \mathfrak{s}_{(\alpha,c)}}$, $v \in M_n(V)$. Hence

$$\|\Phi_{(\alpha,c)}^{(n)}(v)\|_{\mathcal{B}(H_{(\alpha,c)}^n)} = \sup_{w \in \mathfrak{s}_{(\alpha,c)}} \|w^{(n)}(v)\| = \sup\{\|\langle v, w \rangle\| : w \in \mathfrak{s}_{cp_\alpha}\} = cp_\alpha^{(n)}(v)$$

by virtue of Proposition 6.1. Thus

$$\|\Phi_{(\alpha,c)}^{(n)}(v)\|_{\mathcal{B}(H_{(\alpha,c)}^n)} = cp_\alpha^{(n)}(v) \tag{7.1}$$

for all $v \in M_n(V)$. Consider the linear mapping

$$\Phi : V \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}), \quad \Phi(v) = \Phi_{(\alpha,c)}(v) \text{ on } H_{(\alpha,c)}.$$

Since $\Phi_{(\beta,d)}(v)|_{H_{(\alpha,c)}} = \Phi_{(\alpha,c)}(v)$ if $(\alpha, c) \preceq (\beta, d)$, it follows that Φ is well-defined. Furthermore, if $\Phi(v) = 0$ then $\Phi_{(\alpha,c)}(v) = 0$ for all (α, c) . Hence $p_\alpha^{(1)}(v) = 0$ for all α , and therefore $v = 0$. Thus Φ is a linear mapping with $\ker(\Phi) = \{0\}$.

Now let us prove that the quantized domain \mathcal{E} can be replaced by one which does not depend upon the defining family $\{p_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ of matrix seminorms on V . Indeed, take another saturated family $\{q_t : t \in \Omega\}$ of matrix seminorms on V . Thereby we have another quantized domain $\mathcal{K} = \{H_{(t,c)}\}_{(t,c) \in \Omega \times \mathbb{Q}_+}$ in H . For each $t \in \Omega$ relates p_α and $t \in \mathbb{Q}_+$ with $q_t \preceq tp_\alpha$, and vice versa. By Proposition 6.1, $\mathfrak{s}_{(t,c)} \subseteq \mathfrak{s}_{(\alpha,ct)}$ for all $c \in \mathbb{Q}_+$, hence $H_{(t,c)} \subseteq H_{(\alpha,ct)}$, and vice versa. Moreover, $\Phi_{(\alpha,ct)}(v)|_{H_{(t,c)}} = \Phi_{(t,c)}(v)$. Consequently, $\mathcal{K} \sim \mathcal{E}$. In particular, $\bigcup \mathcal{K} = \mathcal{D}$. Moreover, $\Phi(V) \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}) \cap C_{\mathcal{K}}(\mathcal{D}) = C_{\mathcal{E}'}(\mathcal{D})$ (see Proposition 3.2), where $\mathcal{E}' = \mathcal{E} \vee \mathcal{K}$. One may reinforce the domain \mathcal{E} by adding all equivalent domains \mathcal{K} associated with the families of matrix seminorms on V which are equivalent to $\{p_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$. On the ground of Proposition 3.2, we conclude that $\Phi(V) \subseteq \bigcap_{\mathcal{K}} C_{\mathcal{K}}(\mathcal{D}) = C_{\vee \mathcal{K}}(\mathcal{D})$ and the quantized domain $\vee \mathcal{K}$ depends upon just the matrix topology on V .

Thus $\Phi(V)$ is a concrete local operator space on \mathcal{E} and Φ is a topological matrix isomorphism (see (7.1)) of V onto $\Phi(V)$. \square

Remark 7.1. In the just proposed proof one may replace the family $\{cp_\alpha : (\alpha, c) \in \Lambda \times \mathbb{Q}_+\}$ by its any dominating subset $\{c_\alpha p_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$. The latter means that for each $c \in \mathbb{Q}_+$ and $\alpha \in \Lambda$ there corresponds $\beta \in \Lambda$ with $cp_\alpha \preceq c_\beta p_\beta$.

Remark 7.2. Assume that V has a dominating family $\{c_\alpha p_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ of matrix seminorms (see Remark 7.1), which is totally ordered, that is, for a couple of indices $\alpha, \beta \in \Lambda$ either $c_\alpha p_\alpha \preceq c_\beta p_\beta$ or $c_\beta p_\beta \preceq c_\alpha p_\alpha$. So is the family $\{np_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ if V has a countable saturated family $\{p_n\}$ of matrix seminorms, that is, V is a Fréchet operator space. We re-denote $c_\alpha p_\alpha$ again by p_α , and put α instead of (α, c_α) , respectively. By Proposition 6.1, we derive the inclusions $\mathfrak{s}_\alpha \subseteq \mathfrak{s}_\beta$ or $\mathfrak{s}_\beta \subseteq \mathfrak{s}_\alpha$, which in turn implies that $P_\alpha \leq P_\beta$ or $P_\beta \leq P_\alpha$ (see the proof of Theorem 7.1). Then

$$\Phi(V) \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}).$$

Indeed, one should prove that $P_\alpha \Phi(v) \subseteq \Phi(v) P_\alpha$ for all $v \in V$ and $\alpha \in \Lambda$. Take $x \in \mathcal{D}$. Then $x = (x_w)_{w \in \mathfrak{s}_\beta} \in H_\beta$ ($x_w \in \mathbb{C}^{n(w)}$) for some $\beta \in \Lambda$. If $\alpha \preceq \beta$ then $P_\alpha \Phi(v)x = P_\alpha(w(v)x_w)_{w \in \mathfrak{s}_\beta} = (w(v)x_w)_{w \in \mathfrak{s}_\alpha} = \Phi(v)P_\alpha x$. But if $\alpha \succeq \beta$ then $x = P_\alpha x$ and $P_\alpha \Phi(v)x = \Phi(v)x = \Phi(v)P_\alpha x$. Thus $P_\alpha \Phi(v) \subseteq \Phi(v)P_\alpha$ for all α , that is, $\Phi(V) \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ (see (3.2)).

If A is a multinormed C^* -algebra then A is a local operator space (see Section 2.2). Using the Representation theorem 7.1, we conclude that there is a topological matrix embedding $\varphi : A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$. If $\varphi : A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ preserves C^* -operations, that is, $\varphi(A) \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ and φ is a unital $*$ -isomorphism, then A is a local operator C^* -algebra on H , and the local positivity in A would be reduced to the same one but in the local operator system sense. That is indeed true as follows from the next representation theorem.

7.2. The representation theorem for multinormed C^* -algebras

Now we propose a representation theorem for multinormed C^* -algebras.

Theorem 7.2. Let A be a unital multinormed C^* -algebra with a defining family $\{p_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ of C^* -seminorms. There is a local isometrical $*$ -homomorphism $A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ for some quantized domain \mathcal{E} with its union space \mathcal{D} . In particular, A is a local operator C^* -algebra on a certain quantized domain up to a topological (matrix) $*$ -isomorphism.

Proof. Take $\alpha \in \Lambda$. Let $H_\alpha = \bigoplus_{\pi \in \mathfrak{s}_\alpha} H_\pi$ be the Hilbert space direct sum over the set \mathfrak{s}_α from Section 6.2, where H_π is the representation space of π , $\alpha \in \Lambda$. Note that H_α is a closed subspace in H_β whenever $p_\alpha \leq p_\beta$, $\alpha, \beta \in \Lambda$, for $\mathfrak{s}_\alpha \subseteq \mathfrak{s}_\beta$. Moreover, all H_α are closed subspaces of the Hilbert space $H = \bigoplus_{\pi \in \mathfrak{s}} H_\pi$. Consider the quantized domain $\mathcal{E} = \{H_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ in H and put $\mathcal{D} = \bigcup \mathcal{E}$. Let us introduce a linear mapping

$$\Phi_\alpha : A \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_\alpha), \quad \Phi_\alpha(a) = (\pi(a))_{\pi \in \mathfrak{s}_\alpha}.$$

Using Proposition 6.2, we deduce that

$$\|\Phi_\alpha(a)\|_{\mathcal{B}(H_\alpha)} = \sup\{\|\pi(a)\|_{\mathcal{B}(H_\pi)} : \pi \in \mathfrak{s}_\alpha\} = p_\alpha(a)$$

for all $a \in A$. Evidently, Φ_α is a $*$ -representation. Moreover, $\Phi_\beta(a)|_{H_\alpha} = \Phi_\alpha(a)$ if $\alpha \leq \beta$. So, we have a well-defined unbounded operator $\Phi(a)$ on H with domain \mathcal{D} such that $\Phi(a)(H_\alpha) \subseteq H_\alpha$, $\Phi(a)|_{H_\alpha} = \Phi_\alpha(a)$, $\alpha \in \Lambda$, that is, $\Phi(a) \in C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$. Note that if $\Phi(a) = 0$ then $\Phi_\alpha(a) = 0$ for all α . Hence $p_\alpha(a) = 0$ for all α , and therefore $a = 0$. Hence we have a linear embedding

$$\Phi : A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}), \quad a \mapsto \Phi(a).$$

Take $a \in A$. Since each Φ_α is a $*$ -representation, it follows that $\Phi(a)$ admits an unbounded dual $\Phi(a)^\star$ such that $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \text{dom}(\Phi(a)^\star)$, $\Phi(a)^\star(\mathcal{D}) \subseteq \mathcal{D}$ and $\Phi(a)^\star = \Phi(a)^\star|_{\mathcal{D}} = \Phi(a^\star) \in C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$. By Proposition 3.1, $\Phi(a) \in C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$. Thus $\Phi : A \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is an injective $*$ -homomorphism. Moreover, Φ is a local isometric mapping, for $p_\alpha(a) = \|\Phi_\alpha(a)\|_{\mathcal{B}(H_\alpha)} = \|\Phi(a)|_{H_\alpha}\|_{\mathcal{B}(H_\alpha)}$.

Finally, note that Φ is a local matrix isometry. Indeed, there is a well-defined unital $*$ -homomorphism $\phi_\alpha : A_\alpha \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H_\alpha)$ such that $\phi_\alpha(\pi_\alpha(a)) = \Phi(a)|_{H_\alpha}$. It follows that ϕ_α is a matrix isometry. Moreover, $\phi_\alpha^{(n)}(\pi_\alpha^{(n)}(a)) = \Phi^{(n)}(a)|_{H_\alpha^n}$, $a \in M_n(A)$. Thus

$$\|\Phi^{(n)}(a)|_{H_\alpha^n}\| = \|\phi_\alpha^{(n)}(\pi_\alpha^{(n)}(a))\| = \|\pi_\alpha^{(n)}(a)\|_{M_n(A_\alpha)} = p_\alpha^{(n)}(a)$$

for all $a \in M_n(A)$. Whence Φ is a local matrix isometry. \square

Corollary 7.1. *Let A and B be unital multinormed C^* -algebras and let $\varphi : A \rightarrow B$ be a unital linear isomorphism between them. If both φ and φ^{-1} are local matrix positive, then φ is a topological $*$ -isomorphism. In particular, if φ is a local matrix isometry then φ is a local isometrical $*$ -isomorphism.*

Proof. By Theorem 7.2, one may assume that $A \subseteq C_S^*(\mathcal{O})$ and $B \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ are local operator C^* -algebras on some quantized domains \mathcal{S} and \mathcal{E} , respectively. Let $\mathfrak{q} = \{Q_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Omega}$ and $\mathfrak{p} = \{P_\iota\}_{\iota \in \Lambda}$ be the projection nets associated with \mathcal{S} and \mathcal{D} , respectively. Using Corollaries 4.1 and 5.5, infer that $\varphi(a)^*\varphi(a) \leq \varphi(a^*a)$, $a \in A$ (respectively, $\varphi^{-1}(b)^*\varphi^{-1}(b) \leq \varphi^{-1}(b^*b)$, $b \in B$) on \mathcal{D} (respectively, on \mathcal{O}). Take an index $\alpha \in \Omega$. Since φ^{-1} is local positive, it follows that there is $\iota \in \Lambda$ such that $\varphi^{-1}(b) \geq_\alpha 0$ if $b \geq_\iota 0$. In particular, $\varphi(a)^*\varphi(a) \leq_\iota \varphi(a^*a)$ implies that $\varphi^{-1}(\varphi(a)^*\varphi(a)) \leq_\alpha \varphi^{-1}(\varphi(a^*a))$, or $\varphi^{-1}(\varphi(a)^*\varphi(a))Q_\alpha \leq a^*aQ_\alpha$. But $\varphi^{-1}(\varphi(a)^*)\varphi^{-1}(\varphi(a)) \leq \varphi^{-1}(\varphi(a)^*\varphi(a))$ on \mathcal{D} , in particular, $a^*aQ_\alpha \leq \varphi^{-1}(\varphi(a)^*\varphi(a))Q_\alpha$. Being a^*aQ_α and $\varphi^{-1}(\varphi(a)^*\varphi(a))Q_\alpha$ hermitian elements, we conclude that $a^*aQ_\alpha = \varphi^{-1}(\varphi(a)^*\varphi(a))Q_\alpha$. Hence $\varphi(a^*a) = \varphi(a)^*\varphi(a)$ for all $a \in A$. Using Corollary 5.5 again, we obtain that φ is an algebra homomorphism.

Finally, note that if φ is a unital local matrix isometry then automatically φ and φ^{-1} are local matrix positive by virtue of Corollary 4.1. \square

8. Injectivity

In this section we prove Hahn–Banach extension theorem for local operator spaces and local operator systems. As a corollary we obtain that the Arens–Michael algebra $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ is an injective local operator space whereas $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is an injective object in both local operator space and local operator system senses.

8.1. Injective and strong injective local operator spaces

A (Hausdorff) local operator space V is said to be an *injective local operator space* if for any subspace $W_0 \subseteq W$ of a local operator space W , every matrix continuous mapping $\varphi : W_0 \rightarrow V$ can be extended up to a matrix continuous mapping $\psi : W \rightarrow V$. The following strong version of the injectivity plays an important role. Let V be a local operator space with a defining family of matrix seminorms $\{p_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$. Consider a local operator space W , its subspace W_0 and a local matrix contractive mapping $\varphi : W_0 \rightarrow V$ with respect to the family $\{p_\alpha : \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ on V and a

certain family $\{q_\iota: \iota \in \Omega\}$ of matrix seminorms on W . Hence for each $\alpha \in \Lambda$ relates $\iota \in \Omega$ with $p_\alpha^{(\infty)}\varphi^{(\infty)} \leq q_\iota^{(\infty)}|_{M(W_0)}$. If φ is extended up to a local matrix contractive mapping $\psi: W \rightarrow V$ with respect to the same families $\{p_\alpha: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ and $\{q_\iota: \iota \in \Omega\}$, then V is called a *strong injective local operator space*. Consequently, for each $\alpha \in \Lambda$ relates $\kappa \in \Omega$ (not necessarily the same ι) with $p_\alpha^{(\infty)}\psi^{(\infty)} \leq q_\kappa^{(\infty)}$.

Obviously, strong injectivity implies injectivity. Moreover, $V = \mathcal{B}(H)$ is a strong injective local operator space with respect to the operator norm. Indeed, if $\varphi: W_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H)$ is a matrix contractive mapping with $\|\varphi^{(\infty)}(a)\| \leq q_\iota^{(\infty)}(a), a \in M(W_0)$, for some continuous matrix seminorm q_ι on the local operator space W , then using Hahn–Banach theorem [20, Theorem 2.3.1], we have an extension $\psi: W \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H)$ of φ such that

$$\|\psi^{(\infty)}(a)\| \leq q_\iota^{(\infty)}(a), \quad a \in M(W).$$

The latter in turn implies that ψ is a local matrix contractive mapping, that is, $\mathcal{B}(H)$ is a strong injective local operator space.

Lemma 8.1. *Let V be an injective local operator space and let $\Phi: V \rightarrow V$ be a matrix continuous projection. Then $\Phi(V)$ is an injective local operator space. Moreover, if V is strong injective with respect to a defining family $\{p_\alpha: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ of matrix seminorms and $\Phi: V \rightarrow V$ is a local matrix contraction with respect to $\{p_\alpha: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$, then $\Phi(V)$ is strong injective with respect to $\{p_\alpha: \alpha \in \Lambda\}$.*

The proof directly follows from the relevant definitions.

Theorem 8.1. *Let $\mathcal{E} = \{H_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a quantized Fréchet domain in a Hilbert space H with its union space \mathcal{D} . Then $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ is an injective local operator space and $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is a strong injective local operator space.*

Proof. We reduce the problem to the case when $\mathcal{E} = \{H\}$, that is, $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}) = \mathcal{B}(H)$. As we have shown above the assertion is true for that case, confirming that $\mathcal{B}(H)$ is an injective local operator space, we shall end the proof.

Let $W_0 \subseteq W$ be local operator spaces and let $\varphi: W_0 \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ be a matrix continuous mapping. Let us prove that φ has a matrix continuous extension $\Phi: W \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$. By assumption $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ is the Fréchet–Arens–Michael algebra (see Proposition 4.1). Let $p = \{P_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be the projection net in $\mathcal{B}(H)$ associated with \mathcal{E} . Fix $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and consider the linear mapping $\varphi_n: W_0 \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(H), \varphi_n(w) = P_n\varphi(w)P_n$. Being $\varphi: W_0 \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ matrix continuous, we deduce that $\|\varphi^{(s)}(w)|H_n^s\| \leq q_{\iota_n}^{(s)}(w)$ for all $w \in M_s(W_0), s \in \mathbb{N}$, where $\{q_\iota\}_{\iota \in \Omega}$ is a certain defining (saturated) family of matrix seminorms on $W, \iota_n \in \Omega, n \in \mathbb{N}$. Taking into account that $\varphi_n^{(s)}(w) = P_n^{\oplus s}\varphi^{(s)}(w)P_n^{\oplus s}$, we deduce that $\|\varphi_n^{(s)}(w)\| \leq q_{\iota_n}^{(s)}(w), w \in M_s(W_0), s \in \mathbb{N}$, that is, each φ_n is matrix continuous. Being $\mathcal{B}(H)$ a strong injective local operator space, we conclude that φ_n has a matrix continuous extension $\Phi_n: W \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(K)$ with $\|\Phi_n^{(\infty)}(v)\| \leq q_{\iota_n}^{(\infty)}(v), v \in M(W)$. Consider the linear mapping

$$\Phi: W \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}), \quad \Phi(v) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^m S_k \Phi_m(v) S_m.$$

Note that $\Phi(v)P_n = \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m S_k \Phi_m(v) S_m$ (see Proposition 4.2). Thus $\Phi(v)(H_n) \subseteq H_n$ and $\Phi(v)|H_n \in \mathcal{B}(H_n)$ for all n , that is, Φ is well defined. Let us verify that $\Phi: W \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ is matrix

continuous. First note that $\Phi^{(s)}(v) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^m S_k^{\oplus s} \Phi_m^{(s)}(v) S_m^{\oplus s}$. Further, fix $n \in \mathbb{N}$. For each $m, m \leq n$, there corresponds an index $\iota_m \in \Omega$ such that $\|\Phi_m^{(\infty)}(v)\| \leq q_{\iota_m}^{(\infty)}(v), v \in M(W)$. Take $\iota \in \Omega$ with $\iota \geq \iota_m, m \leq n$, and let $v \in M_s(W)$. Then

$$\|\Phi^{(s)}(v)|K_n^s\| = \left\| \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m S_k^{\oplus s} \Phi_m^{(s)}(v) S_m^{\oplus s} \right\| \leq \sum_{m=1}^n \|P_m^{\oplus s} \Phi_m^{(s)}(v) S_m^{\oplus s}\| \leq n q_{\iota}^{(s)}(v).$$

Thus $\Phi : W \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ is matrix continuous.

If $\varphi(W_0) \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ and $\varphi : W_0 \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is local matrix contractive, then we consider the linear mapping $\Psi : W \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}), \Psi = D \cdot \Phi$, where $D : C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D}) \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ is the local matrix contractive projection from Proposition 4.2. Then $\Psi(v) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} S_m \Phi_m(v) S_m$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Psi^{(s)}(v)|H_n^s\| &= \left\| \bigoplus_{m=1}^n S_m^{\oplus s} \Phi_m^{(s)}(v) S_m^{\oplus s} \right\| = \max\{\|S_m^{\oplus s} \Phi_m^{(s)}(v) S_m^{\oplus s}\| : m \leq n\} \\ &\leq \max\{\|\Phi_m^{(s)}(v)\| : m \leq n\} \leq \max\{q_{\iota_m}^{(s)}(v) : m \leq n\} \\ &\leq q_{\iota}^{(s)}(v), \end{aligned}$$

that is, Ψ is a local matrix contractive mapping.

It remains to observe that Φ (respectively, Ψ) extends the mapping $\varphi : W_0 \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$. Take $w \in W_0$. Using Proposition 4.2, we deduce that

$$\Phi(w)P_n = \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m S_k \Phi_m(w) S_m = \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m S_k P_m \varphi(w) P_m S_m = \sum_{m=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m S_k \varphi(w) S_m = \varphi(w)P_n$$

for all n . Hence $\Phi(w) = \varphi(w)$. Furthermore, $\Psi(w) = D(\Phi(w)) = D(\varphi(w)) = \varphi(w)$ whenever $\varphi(W_0) \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$. Thus $C_{\mathcal{E}}(\mathcal{D})$ (respectively, $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$) is an injective (respectively, a strong injective) local operator space. \square

Corollary 8.1. *Let V be a Fréchet operator space. Then V is (strong) injective if and only if it is the range of a matrix continuous (local matrix contractive) projection $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}) \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ for a certain Fréchet quantized domain \mathcal{E} , up to a topological matrix isomorphism.*

Proof. Using Representation theorem 7.1 and Remark 7.2, infer that $V \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ for a certain Fréchet domain \mathcal{E} . If V is (strong) injective then the identity mapping $V \rightarrow V$ is extended up to a matrix continuous (local matrix contractive) projection $\Phi : C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}) \rightarrow V$. Conversely, $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is a strong injective local operator space thanks to Theorem 8.1. Using Lemma 8.1, we conclude that V is (strong) injective whenever V is the range of a matrix continuous (local matrix contractive) projection on $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$. \square

8.2. Arveson–Hahn–Banach–Webster theorem for local operator systems

In this subsection we introduce injective local operator systems and prove a locally convex version of Arveson–Hahn–Banach–Wittstock theorem for operator systems.

As in the normed case [9, Chapter 6] we say that V is an *injective local operator system* if every morphism (unital local matrix positive mapping) $\varphi_0 : W_0 \rightarrow V$ can be extended up to a morphism $\varphi : W \rightarrow V$ for a local operator system W and its operator system subspace W_0 .

Theorem 8.2. *Let \mathcal{E} be a quantized Fréchet domain with its union space \mathcal{D} and let $V \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ be a Fréchet operator system. The following assertions are equivalent:*

- (i) V is an injective local operator system;
- (ii) there is a morphism-projection $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}) \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ onto V ;
- (iii) V is a strong injective local operator space;
- (iv) if $W_0 \subseteq W$ are local operator systems and $\varphi_0 : W_0 \rightarrow V$ is a local matrix contractive mapping, then it has a local matrix contractive extension $\varphi : W \rightarrow V$.

In particular, $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is an injective local operator system.

Proof. If V is an injective local operator system then the identity mapping $V \rightarrow V$ is extended up to a morphism-projection $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}) \rightarrow V$ by its very definition, that is, we have (i) \Rightarrow (ii).

Now assume that $\Phi : C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}) \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ is a morphism-projection onto V . By Corollary 4.1, Φ is a local matrix contraction. From Lemma 8.1 and Theorem 8.1, we derive that V is a strong injective local operator space, that is, (ii) \Rightarrow (iii).

The implication (iii) \Rightarrow (iv) is trivial.

In order to prove the implication (iv) \Rightarrow (i), assume that W is a local operator system with its operator system subspace W_0 and $\varphi_0 : W_0 \rightarrow V$ is a morphism. By Corollary 4.1, φ_0 is a local matrix contraction. By assumption it has a local matrix contractive extension $\varphi : W \rightarrow V$. Being φ a unital mapping, we deduce that φ is a morphism. Whence V is injective as a local operator system. \square

Thus the injectivity for Fréchet operator systems is reduced to the *strong injectivity* in the class of all local operator spaces.

8.3. The $\widehat{\otimes}^*$ -algebra structure on an injective local operator system

Let $V \subseteq C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ be an injective local operator system on a quantized domain $\mathcal{E} = \{H_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ with its union space \mathcal{D} . There is a morphism-projection $\Phi : C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}) \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ onto V (see to the proof of Theorem 8.2). In particular, V is a complete local operator system. For $T, S \in V$ we put

$$T \cdot S = \Phi(TS). \tag{8.1}$$

It is a well-defined bilinear mapping $V \times V \rightarrow V$. Since $T = \Phi(T)$, $S = \Phi(S)$, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} T \cdot (S \cdot R) &= \Phi(T\Phi(SR)) = \Phi(\Phi(T)SR) = \Phi(TSR) = \Phi(TS\Phi(R)) = \Phi(\Phi(TS)R) \\ &= (T \cdot S) \cdot R \end{aligned}$$

by virtue of Corollary 5.6. Furthermore, taking into account that Φ is $*$ -linear (see Lemma 4.3), we conclude that $(T \cdot S)^* = \Phi(TS)^* = \Phi((TS)^*) = \Phi(S^*T^*) = S^* \cdot T^*$. Fix $\alpha \in \Lambda$ and $T \in V$. Then $T = \Phi(T)$ and $T^*T = \Phi(T)^*\Phi(T) \leq \Phi(T^*T)$ on \mathcal{D} , thanks to Corollary 5.5. In particular,

$T^*T \leq_{\alpha} \Phi(T^*T)$. It follows that $p_{\alpha}^{(1)}(T)^2 = p_{\alpha}^{(1)}(T^*T) \leq p_{\alpha}^{(1)}(T^* \cdot T)$. Being Φ a local matrix contraction, we conclude that $p_{\alpha}^{(\infty)}\Phi^{(\infty)} \leq p_{\beta}^{(\infty)}$ for a certain $\beta \in \Lambda, \beta \geq \alpha$. Thus $p_{\alpha}^{(1)}(T^* \cdot T) = p_{\alpha}^{(1)}(\Phi(T^*T)) \leq p_{\beta}^{(1)}(T^*T) = p_{\beta}^{(1)}(T)^2$, that is,

$$p_{\alpha}^{(1)}(T)^2 \leq p_{\alpha}^{(1)}(T^* \cdot T) \leq p_{\beta}^{(1)}(T)^2$$

for all $T \in V$. Moreover,

$$p_{\alpha}^{(1)}(T \cdot S) = p_{\alpha}^{(1)}(\Phi(TS)) \leq p_{\beta}^{(1)}(TS) \leq p_{\beta}^{(1)}(T)p_{\beta}^{(1)}(S),$$

$T, S \in V$, that is, V is a unital $\widehat{\otimes}^*$ -algebra (locally convex $*$ -algebra with the jointly continuous multiplication).

Now consider the morphism-projection $\Phi^{(n)} : M_n(C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})) \rightarrow M_n(C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}))$. Then $\text{im}(\Phi^{(n)}) = M_n(V)$. Moreover, the multiplication on $M_n(V)$ induced by the projection $\Phi^{(n)}$ coincides with the matrix multiplication inherited by one on V . Indeed, take $a = [a_{ij}], b = [b_{ij}] \in M_n(V)$. Then

$$a \cdot b = \left[\sum_k a_{ik} \cdot b_{kj} \right] = \left[\sum_k \Phi(a_{ik}b_{kj}) \right] = \Phi^{(n)}(ab).$$

As above, we conclude that

$$p_{\alpha}^{(n)}(a)^2 \leq p_{\alpha}^{(n)}(a^* \cdot a) \leq p_{\beta}^{(n)}(a)^2 \quad \text{and} \quad p_{\alpha}^{(n)}(a \cdot b) \leq p_{\beta}^{(n)}(a)p_{\beta}^{(n)}(b)$$

(with the same α, β) for all $a, b \in M_n(V)$.

Now we investigate when V with its $\widehat{\otimes}^*$ -algebra structure turns out to be a multinormed C^* -algebra such that their local operator space structures are equivalent.

Lemma 8.2. *For each $\alpha \in \Lambda$ there corresponds $\beta \in \Lambda, \beta \geq \alpha$, such that for all $b, c \in M_n(V), c \geq_{\beta} 0$, we have $b^* \cdot c \cdot b \geq_{\alpha} 0$.*

Proof. As we have just indicated above for each $\alpha \in \Lambda$ there corresponds $\beta \in \Lambda, \beta \geq \alpha$, such that $p_{\alpha}^{(\infty)}\Phi^{(\infty)} \leq p_{\beta}^{(\infty)}$, that is, the canonical mapping $V_{\beta} \rightarrow V_{\alpha}$ between the operator systems V_{β} and V_{α} (see Remark 4.1) induced by Φ is a matrix contraction. Since $V_{\beta} \rightarrow V_{\alpha}$ is unital, we conclude that $V_{\beta} \rightarrow V_{\alpha}$ is matrix positive, that is, if $a \geq_{\beta} 0$ for some $a \in M_n(V)$ then $\Phi^{(n)}(a) \geq_{\alpha} 0$. Take $c \in M_n(V)$ with $c \geq_{\beta} 0$. Then $b^*cb \geq_{\beta} 0$ in $M_n(C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}))$, and therefore $\Phi^{(n)}(b^*cb) \geq_{\alpha} 0$. It remains to note that $b^* \cdot c \cdot b = \Phi^{(n)}(\Phi^{(n)}(b^*c)b) = \Phi^{(n)}(b^*c\Phi^{(n)}(b)) = \Phi^{(n)}(b^*cb)$ thanks to Corollary 5.6. \square

As in the proof of Stinespring theorem 5.1, we extend the quantized domain \mathcal{E} to decompose the operators from V . Confirm that V is just a unital $\widehat{\otimes}^*$ -algebra. Consider the algebraic tensor product $V \otimes \mathcal{D}$ and let $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ be the sesquilinear form on $V \otimes \mathcal{D}$ determined by the rule

$$\left\langle \sum b_j \otimes \eta_j, \sum a_i \otimes \xi_i \right\rangle = \sum \langle (a_i^* \cdot b_j)\eta_j | \xi_i \rangle = \sum \langle \Phi(a_i^*b_j)\eta_j | \xi_i \rangle$$

for all $a_i, b_j \in A$ and $\xi_i, \eta_j \in \mathcal{D}$, where $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle$ is the original Hilbert space inner product in H . Using Lemma 5.1 applied to the mapping $\Phi : A(V) \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ form the multinormed C^* -algebra

$A(V)$ in $C^*_\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{D})$ generated by V into the algebra $C^*_\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{D})$, we conclude that $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is a positive semidefined sesquilinear form on $V \otimes \mathcal{D}$. Therefore it induces a Hilbert space inner product on the quotient space $(V \otimes \mathcal{D})/N$ modulo the subspace $N = \{u \in V \otimes \mathcal{D} : \langle u, u \rangle = 0\}$. In particular, $\langle x, y \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^n \langle u_j, v_j \rangle$, $x = (u_j)$, $y = (v_j) \in (V \otimes \mathcal{D})^n$, is a positive semidefined sesquilinear form on $(V \otimes \mathcal{D})^n$.

Let K be the completion of the pre-Hilbert space $(V \otimes \mathcal{D})/N$, M_α the range of the subspace $V \otimes H_\alpha$ via the quotient mapping $(V \otimes \mathcal{D}) \rightarrow (V \otimes \mathcal{D})/N$, and let K_α be the closure of M_α in K . Evidently, $\mathcal{S} = \{K_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ is a quantized domain in K and let \mathcal{O} be its union space. Furthermore, the mapping $\mathcal{D} \rightarrow K$, $\xi \mapsto (1_{\mathcal{D}} \otimes \xi)^\sim$, is an isometry. Indeed,

$$\|(1_{\mathcal{D}} \otimes \xi)^\sim\|_K^2 = \langle (1_{\mathcal{D}} \otimes \xi)^\sim, (1_{\mathcal{D}} \otimes \xi)^\sim \rangle = \langle 1_{\mathcal{D}} \otimes \xi, 1_{\mathcal{D}} \otimes \xi \rangle = \langle \xi | \xi \rangle = \|\xi\|_H^2.$$

Then we have an isometrical embedding $T : H \rightarrow K$ such that $T\xi = (1_{\mathcal{D}} \otimes \xi)^\sim$, $\xi \in \mathcal{D}$. Evidently, $T(H_\alpha) \subseteq K_\alpha$, $\alpha \in \Lambda$. Thus K is the extension of the Hilbert space H with $H_\alpha \subseteq K_\alpha$, $\alpha \in \Lambda$, that is, $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathcal{S}$.

For each $a \in V$, consider the linear mapping $\pi(a) = L_a \otimes I_{\mathcal{D}} : V \otimes \mathcal{D} \rightarrow V \otimes \mathcal{D}$, where $L_a \in L(V)$, $L_a x = a \cdot x$, is the left multiplication (by a) operator on V . Evidently, the correspondence $V \rightarrow L(V \otimes \mathcal{D})$, $a \mapsto \pi(a)$, is an algebra homomorphism.

Lemma 8.3. *For each $\alpha \in \Lambda$ there corresponds $\beta \in \Lambda$ with $\beta \geq \alpha$ and*

$$\langle \pi^{(n)}(a)u, \pi^{(n)}(a)u \rangle \leq p_\beta^{(n)}(a)^2 \langle u, u \rangle$$

for all $a \in M_n(V)$, $u \in (V \otimes H_\alpha)^n$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proof. Fix $\alpha \in \Lambda$ and take $a \in V$ and $u = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i \otimes \xi_i \in V \otimes H_\alpha$ with $\{\xi_i\} \subseteq H_\alpha$, that is, $\xi = (\xi_i) \in H_\alpha^m$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \pi(a)u, \pi(a)u \rangle &= \left\langle \sum a \cdot a_i \otimes \xi_i, \sum a \cdot a_i \otimes \xi_i \right\rangle = \langle [a_i^* \cdot a^* \cdot a \cdot a_j] \xi | \xi \rangle \\ &= \langle (A^* \cdot \Delta^* \cdot \Delta \cdot A) \xi | \xi \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

where $\Delta \in M_m(V)$ is the diagonal matrix with the same diagonal element a and

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & \cdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \in M_m(V).$$

Note that $\Delta^* \cdot \Delta = \Phi^{(m)}(\Delta^* \Delta)$ and $\Delta^* \Delta \leq_\delta p_\delta^{(1)}(a)^2 I_{\mathcal{D}^m}$ for all $\delta \in \Lambda$. By Lemma 8.2, there is an index $\gamma \in \Lambda$, $\gamma \geq \alpha$, such that $b^* \cdot c \cdot b \geq_\alpha 0$ for all $b, c \in M_m(V)$ with $c \geq_\gamma 0$. Since Φ is local matrix positive, it follows that for that index γ there corresponds an index $\beta \in \Lambda$, $\beta \geq \gamma$ such that $\Phi^{(m)}(b) \geq_\gamma 0$ whenever $b \geq_\beta 0$, $b \in M_m(C^*_\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{D}))$, $m \in \mathbb{N}$. But $\Delta^* \Delta \leq_\beta p_\beta^{(1)}(a)^2 I_{\mathcal{D}^m}$, thereby $\Delta^* \cdot \Delta \leq_\gamma p_\beta^{(1)}(a)^2 I_{\mathcal{D}^m}$. Furthermore, $A^* \cdot \Delta^* \cdot \Delta \cdot A \leq_\alpha p_\beta^{(1)}(a)^2 A^* \cdot A$. It follows that $\langle \pi(a)u, \pi(a)u \rangle = \langle (A^* \cdot \Delta^* \cdot \Delta \cdot A) \xi | \xi \rangle \leq p_\beta^{(1)}(a)^2 \langle (A^* \cdot A) \xi | \xi \rangle = p_\beta^{(1)}(a)^2 \langle u, u \rangle$, that is,

$\langle \pi(a)u, \pi(a)u \rangle \leq p_\beta^{(1)}(a)^2 \langle u, u \rangle$. Now let us prove the same inequality for the matrices keeping in mind the same indices $\alpha, \gamma, \beta, \alpha \leq \gamma \leq \beta$. Let $a = [a_{ij}] \in M_n(V)$ and let $u = (u_j) \in (V \otimes H_\alpha)^n$. Assume that $u_j = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i^{(j)} \otimes \xi_i^{(j)}$, where $\xi_j = (\xi_i^{(j)}) \in H_\alpha^m$ for all j . First, let us prove the equality

$$\langle \pi^{(n)}(a)u, \pi^{(n)}(a)u \rangle = \langle (A^* \cdot (a^* \cdot a \otimes I_m) \cdot A) \xi | \xi \rangle, \tag{8.2}$$

where $\xi = (\xi_j)_{j=1}^n \in H_\alpha^{mn}$,

$$A_j = \begin{bmatrix} a_1^{(j)} & a_2^{(j)} & \cdots & a_m^{(j)} \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in M_m(V), \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & A_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & A_n \end{bmatrix} \in M_{mn}(V),$$

and $a^* \cdot a \otimes I_m \in M_{mn}(V)$ ($I_m \in M_m$ is the identity matrix). Note that $a^* \cdot a = [c_{kj}]$ with $c_{kj} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ik}^* \cdot a_{ij}$, and $a^* \cdot a \otimes I_m = [c_{kj} I_m]$. Therefore

$$A^* \cdot (a^* \cdot a \otimes I_m) \cdot A = \begin{bmatrix} A_1^* \cdot c_{11} I_m \cdot A_1 & A_1^* \cdot c_{12} I_m \cdot A_2 & \cdots & A_1^* \cdot c_{1n} I_m \cdot A_n \\ A_2^* \cdot c_{21} I_m \cdot A_1 & A_2^* \cdot c_{22} I_m \cdot A_2 & \cdots & A_2^* \cdot c_{2n} I_m \cdot A_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_n^* \cdot c_{n1} I_m \cdot A_1 & A_n^* \cdot c_{n2} I_m \cdot A_2 & \cdots & A_n^* \cdot c_{nn} I_m \cdot A_n \end{bmatrix}$$

and $(A^* \cdot (a^* \cdot a \otimes I_m) \cdot A) \xi = (\sum_{j=1}^n (A_k^* \cdot c_{kj} I_m \cdot A_j) \xi_j)_{k=1}^n \in H_\alpha^{mn}$. Furthermore

$$\begin{aligned} A_k^* \cdot c_{kj} I_m \cdot A_j &= \begin{bmatrix} a_1^{(k)*} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ a_2^{(k)*} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_m^{(k)*} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} c_{kj} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & c_{kj} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & c_{kj} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} a_1^{(j)} & a_2^{(j)} & \cdots & a_m^{(j)} \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} a_1^{(k)*} \cdot c_{kj} \cdot a_1^{(j)} & a_1^{(k)*} \cdot c_{kj} \cdot a_2^{(j)} & \cdots & a_1^{(k)*} \cdot c_{kj} \cdot a_m^{(j)} \\ a_2^{(k)*} \cdot c_{kj} \cdot a_1^{(j)} & a_2^{(k)*} \cdot c_{kj} \cdot a_2^{(j)} & \cdots & a_2^{(k)*} \cdot c_{kj} \cdot a_m^{(j)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_m^{(k)*} \cdot c_{kj} \cdot a_1^{(j)} & a_m^{(k)*} \cdot c_{kj} \cdot a_2^{(j)} & \cdots & a_m^{(k)*} \cdot c_{kj} \cdot a_m^{(j)} \end{bmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

which in turn implies that

$$\sum_{j=1}^n (A_k^* \cdot c_{kj} I_m \cdot A_j) \xi_j = \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{s=1}^m a_t^{(k)*} \cdot c_{kj} \cdot a_s^{(j)} \xi_s^{(j)} \right)_{t=1}^m \in H_\alpha^m.$$

If $z = \langle (A^* \cdot (a^* \cdot a \otimes I_m) \cdot A) \xi | \xi \rangle$ then

$$\begin{aligned}
 z &= \left\langle \left(\sum_{j=1}^n (A_k^* \cdot c_{kj} I_m \cdot A_j) \xi_j \right)_{k=1}^n \middle| (\xi_k)_{k=1}^n \right\rangle = \sum_{k=1}^n \left\langle \sum_{j=1}^n (A_k^* \cdot c_{kj} I_m \cdot A_j) \xi_j \middle| \xi_k \right\rangle \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left\langle \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{s=1}^m (a_t^{(k)*} \cdot c_{kj} \cdot a_s^{(j)}) \xi_s^{(j)} \right)_{t=1}^m \middle| (\xi_t^{(k)})_{t=1}^m \right\rangle \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{t=1}^m \left\langle \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{s=1}^m (a_t^{(k)*} \cdot c_{kj} \cdot a_s^{(j)}) \xi_s^{(j)} \middle| \xi_t^{(k)} \right\rangle = \sum_{k,j=1}^n \sum_{s,t=1}^m \langle (a_t^{(k)*} \cdot c_{kj} \cdot a_s^{(j)}) \xi_s^{(j)} \middle| \xi_t^{(k)} \rangle \\
 &= \sum_{i,k,j=1}^n \sum_{s,t=1}^m \langle (a_t^{(k)*} \cdot a_{ik}^* \cdot a_{ij} \cdot a_s^{(j)}) \xi_s^{(j)} \middle| \xi_t^{(k)} \rangle = \sum_{i,k,j=1}^n \sum_{s,t=1}^m \langle ((a_{ik} \cdot a_t^{(k)})^* \cdot a_{ij} \cdot a_s^{(j)}) \xi_s^{(j)} \middle| \xi_t^{(k)} \rangle \\
 &= \sum_{i,k,j=1}^n \sum_{s,t=1}^m \langle (a_{ij} \cdot a_s^{(j)} \otimes \xi_s^{(j)}), (a_{ik} \cdot a_t^{(k)} \otimes \xi_t^{(k)}) \rangle \\
 &= \sum_{i,k,j=1}^n \left\langle \sum_{s=1}^m a_{ij} \cdot a_s^{(j)} \otimes \xi_s^{(j)}, \sum_{t=1}^m a_{ik} \cdot a_t^{(k)} \otimes \xi_t^{(k)} \right\rangle = \sum_{i,k,j=1}^n \langle \pi(a_{ij}) u_j, \pi(a_{ik}) u_k \rangle \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left\langle \sum_{j=1}^n \pi(a_{ij}) u_j, \sum_{k=1}^n \pi(a_{ik}) u_k \right\rangle = \left\langle \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \pi(a_{ij}) u_j \right)_{i=1}^n, \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \pi(a_{ij}) u_j \right)_{i=1}^n \right\rangle \\
 &= \langle \pi^{(n)}(a) u, \pi^{(n)}(a) u \rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus the equality (8.2) has been proved.

Now let us derive the required inequality. Note that $a^* \cdot a \otimes I_m = \Phi^{(mn)}(a^* a \otimes I_m)$ and $a^* a \otimes I_m \in M_{mn}(C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D}))$. Using [9, Proposition 2.1.1], we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_{\delta}^{(nm)}(a^* a \otimes I_m) &= \|(a^* a \otimes I_m) | H_{\delta}^{nm}\| = \|((a^* a) | H_{\delta}^n) \otimes I_m\| = \|(a^* a) | H_{\delta}^n\| = p_{\delta}^{(n)}(a^* a) \\
 &= p_{\delta}^{(n)}(a)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

for all $\delta \in \Lambda$. Therefore $a^* a \otimes I_m \leq_{\delta} p_{\delta}^{(n)}(a)^2 I_{\mathcal{D}^{mn}}$ for all $\delta \in \Lambda$. In particular,

$$a^* a \otimes I_m \leq_{\beta} p_{\beta}^{(n)}(a)^2 I_{\mathcal{D}^{mn}},$$

which in turn implies that $a^* \cdot a \otimes I_m = \Phi^{(nm)}(a^* a \otimes I_m) \leq_{\gamma} p_{\beta}^{(n)}(a)^2 I_{\mathcal{D}^{mn}}$. By Lemma 8.2,

$$A^* \cdot (a^* \cdot a \otimes I_m) \cdot A \leq_{\alpha} p_{\beta}^{(n)}(a)^2 A^* \cdot A.$$

Using (8.2), we derive that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \pi^{(n)}(a) u, \pi^{(n)}(a) u \rangle &= \langle (A^* \cdot (a^* \cdot a \otimes I_m) \cdot A) \xi \middle| \xi \rangle \\
 &\leq p_{\beta}^{(n)}(a)^2 \langle (A^* \cdot A) \xi \middle| \xi \rangle = p_{\beta}^{(n)}(a)^2 \langle u, u \rangle,
 \end{aligned}$$

that is, $\langle \pi^{(n)}(a) u, \pi^{(n)}(a) u \rangle \leq p_{\beta}^{(n)}(a)^2 \langle u, u \rangle$. \square

Theorem 8.3. *Let V be an injective local operator system in $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$. Then V possesses unique multinormed C^* -algebra structure with respect to the involution and matrix topology from $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$.*

Proof. If we have two unital multinormed C^* -algebra structures on V with the same involution and matrix topology from $C_{\mathcal{E}}^*(\mathcal{D})$ then the identity mapping $V \rightarrow V$ being a unital local matrix isometry is automatically $*$ -isomorphism by virtue of Corollary 7.1, that is, these structures are identical.

As we have observed above the original matrix seminorms $\{p_{\alpha}\}$ do not satisfy the C^* -seminorm property with respect to the new multiplication (8.1). That is a crucial moment which does not appear in the normed case, for in the latter case $p_{\alpha} = p_{\beta} = p$ for all α, β , therefore the same norm p is a C^* -norm and the proof is ended (see [9, 6.1.3]). To overcome this problem in the multinormed case, below we propose a new family of C^* -seminorms, which is equivalent to $\{p_{\alpha}\}$.

Take $a \in V$. By Lemma 8.3, $\pi(a)(N) \subseteq N$, therefore it determines a linear mapping on the quotient space $(V \otimes \mathcal{D})/N$ denoted by $\pi(a)$ too. Moreover, $\pi(a)$ leaves invariant each subspace M_{α} , and for each α relates $\beta \geq \alpha$ such that $\|\pi(a)u\| \leq p_{\beta}^{(1)}(a)\|u\|$, $u \in M_{\alpha}$, thanks to Lemma 8.3. Taking into account that $\overline{M_{\alpha}} = K_{\alpha}$, we conclude that the latter inequality is true for all $u \in K_{\alpha}$. Therefore $\pi(a)$ is extended up to a bounded linear operator on K_{α} , which we denote by $\pi(a)_{\alpha}$, and $\|\pi(a)_{\alpha}\|_{\mathcal{B}(K_{\alpha})} \leq p_{\beta}^{(1)}(a)$, $a \in V$. If $K_{\alpha} \subseteq K_{\delta}$ then $(\pi(a)_{\delta})|K_{\alpha} = \pi(a)_{\alpha}$, which can be verified on the dense subspace M_{α} . Thus we have a well-defined unbounded operator on K with domain \mathcal{O} , denoted again by $\pi(a)$, such that $\pi(a)|K_{\alpha} = \pi(a)_{\alpha}$ for all α , that is, $\pi(a) \in C_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathcal{O})$ (see (3.1)). Moreover, if $u \sim, v \sim \in M_{\alpha}$ with $u = \sum b_j \otimes \eta_j$, $v = \sum a_i \otimes \xi_i$, $\{\eta_j, \xi_i\} \subseteq H_{\alpha}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \pi(a)u \sim, v \sim \rangle &= \langle \pi(a)u, v \rangle = \sum \langle a_i^* \cdot a \cdot b_j \eta_j | \xi_i \rangle = \sum \langle (a^* \cdot a_i)^* \cdot b_j \eta_j | \xi_i \rangle = \langle u, \pi(a^*)v \rangle \\ &= \langle u \sim, \pi(a^*)v \sim \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

and by continuity, we obtain that $\langle \pi(a)x, y \rangle = \langle x, \pi(a^*)y \rangle$ for all $x, y \in K_{\alpha}$. Using Proposition 3.1, $\pi(a) \in C_{\mathcal{S}}^*(\mathcal{O})$ and $\pi(a)^* = \pi(a)$. Thus $\pi : V \rightarrow C_{\mathcal{S}}^*(\mathcal{O})$, $a \mapsto \pi(a)$, is a unital $*$ -homomorphism. Note that

$$\langle \pi(a)(1_{\mathcal{D}} \otimes \eta) \sim, (1_{\mathcal{D}} \otimes \xi) \sim \rangle = \langle a \otimes \eta, 1_{\mathcal{D}} \otimes \xi \rangle = \langle \Phi(a)\eta | \xi \rangle = \langle a\eta | \xi \rangle$$

for all $\xi, \eta \in \mathcal{D}$, which means (as in the Stinespring theorem) that

$$a \subseteq P_H \pi(a) \tag{8.3}$$

up to an isometry (see also Corollary 5.1), where $P_H \in \mathcal{B}(K)$ is the projection onto H , that is, $P_H = TT^*$.

Now we introduce a new family $q_{\alpha} = (q_{\alpha}^{(n)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, $q_{\alpha}^{(n)}(a) = \|\pi^{(n)}(a)|K_{\alpha}^n\|_{\mathcal{B}(K_{\alpha}^n)}$, $a \in M_n(V)$, $\alpha \in \Lambda$, of matrix seminorms on V . Confirm that $q_{\alpha}^{(1)}$ is a multiplicative C^* -seminorm on V . Indeed, $q_{\alpha}^{(1)}(a^*) = \|\pi(a^*)|K_{\alpha}\| = \|\pi(a)^*|K_{\alpha}\| = q_{\alpha}^{(1)}(a)$,

$$\begin{aligned} q_\alpha^{(1)}(a^* \cdot a) &= \|\pi(a^* \cdot a)|K_\alpha\| = \|\pi(a)^* \pi(a)|K_\alpha\| = \|(\pi(a)|K_\alpha)^*(\pi(a)|K_\alpha)\| \\ &= \|\pi(a)|K_\alpha\|^2 = q_\alpha^{(1)}(a)^2, \end{aligned}$$

and $q_\alpha^{(1)}(a \cdot b) = \|\pi(a \cdot b)|K_\alpha\| = \|(\pi(a)|K_\alpha)(\pi(b)|K_\alpha)\| \leq q_\alpha^{(1)}(a)q_\alpha^{(1)}(b)$ for all $a, b \in V$.

It remains to prove that $\{p_\alpha\}$ and $\{q_\alpha\}$ are equivalent family of matrix seminorms on V . Using Lemma 8.3, infer that for each α there corresponds β , $\beta \geq \alpha$, such that $q_\alpha^{(n)}(a) = \|\pi^{(n)}(a)|K_\alpha^n\| \leq p_\beta^{(n)}(a)$ for all $a \in M_n(V)$, that is, $q_\alpha \preceq p_\beta$. Moreover, using (8.3), we conclude that

$$p_\alpha^{(n)}(a) = \|a|H_\alpha^n\|_{\mathcal{B}(H_\alpha^n)} \leq \|P_H^{\oplus n} \pi^{(n)}(a)|K_\alpha^n\| \leq \|\pi^{(n)}(a)|K_\alpha^n\| = q_\alpha^{(n)}(a)$$

for all $a = [a_{ij}] \in M_n(V)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$. So, $p_\alpha \preceq q_\alpha$ for all α , that is, $\{p_\alpha\}$ and $\{q_\alpha\}$ are equivalent.

Thus V turns out to be a unital multinormed C^* -algebra preserving its local operator system structure. \square

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