Moment problem for symmetric algebras of locally convex spaces

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Framework

- $V = \mathbb{R}$-vector space
- τ:= a **locally convex (lc)** topology on V
  = a topology on V generated by some family $\mathcal{S}$ of seminorms on V
  = the weakest topology on V s.t. each $\rho \in \mathcal{S}$ is continuous.
- W.l.o.g. we assume that the family $\mathcal{S}$ is **directed**, i.e.
  $\forall\ \rho_1, \rho_2 \in \mathcal{S},\ \exists\ \rho \in \mathcal{S}\ \exists\, C > 0$ s.t. $C\rho(v) \geq \max\{\rho_1(v), \rho_2(v)\},\ \forall\ v \in V$.
- $S(V)$= the **symmetric algebra** of V
  = the tensor algebra $T(V)$ factored by the ideal gen. by $v \otimes w - w \otimes v$
- $S(V)_k$=the k-**th homogeneous part** of $S(V)$
  = the image of k-th homogeneous part $V^{\otimes k}$ of $T(V)$ under the canonical map $\sum_{i=1}^{n} v_{i1} \otimes \cdots \otimes v_{ik} \mapsto \sum_{i=1}^{n} v_{i1} \cdots v_{ik}$.
- V^*:=**algebraic dual** of V=$\{\ell : V \to \mathbb{R} | \ell$ is a linear functional$\}$
- V':=**topological dual** of V=$\{\ell : V \to \mathbb{R} | \ell$ is a $\tau-$continuous linear functional$\}$

MP for symmetric algebras on a lc space

(V, τ) with τ lc-topology. Then:

- $X(S(V)) = Hom(S(V), \mathbb{R}) \cong V^*$ via the isomorphism $\ell \mapsto \ell|_V$
- $\forall f \in S(V)$, $\hat{f} : X(S(V)) \to \mathbb{R}$ is given by $\alpha \mapsto \hat{f}(\alpha) := \alpha(f)$

The MP for symmetric algebras on a lc space

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$$L(f) = \int_{V^*} \hat{f}(\alpha)\mu(d\alpha)\,?$$

Is μ unique? What is the support of μ?

QUESTION: continuous functionals

What happens when $L : S(V) \to \mathbb{R}$ is continuous?
Which topology is natural to consider on $S(V)$? Can τ on V be extended to $S(V)$?

Continuous functionals on $S(V)$ (I. case)

(I. case): τ is generated by $S = \{\rho\}$, i.e. (V, ρ) with ρ seminorm on V.

Proposition (M. Ghasemi, M. I., S. Kuhlmann, M. Marshall, 2015)

Any seminorm ρ on V can be extended to a **submultiplicative seminorm** $\overline{\rho}$ on $S(V)$, i.e. $\overline{\rho}(fg) \leq \overline{\rho}(f)\overline{\rho}(g)$, $\forall f, g \in S(V)$.

1. **tensor seminorm $\rho^{\otimes k}$ on $V^{\otimes k}$**:

$$(\rho^{\otimes k})(f) := \inf\{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \rho(f_{i1}) \cdots \rho(f_{ik}) : f = \sum_{i=1}^{n} f_{i1} \otimes \cdots \otimes f_{ik},\ f_{ij} \in V,\ n \geq 1\}.$$

2. Let $\pi_k : V^{\otimes k} \to S(V)_k$ be the canonical map.
For $k \geq 1$ define $\overline{\rho}_k$ to be the **quotient seminorm on $S(V)_k$** induced by $\rho^{\otimes k}$:

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Define $\overline{\rho}_0$ to be the usual absolute value on $\mathbb{R}$.

3. Extend ρ to a submultiplicative seminorm $\overline{\rho}$ on $S(V)$ by taking the **projective extension of ρ to $S(V)$** defined for any $f = f_0 + \cdots + f_r$, $f_k \in S(V)_k$, $k = 0, \dots, r$ by:

$$\overline{\rho}(f) := \sum_{k=0}^{r} \overline{\rho}_k(f_k).$$

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Proposition

(V, ρ) s.t. ρ seminorm

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$(S(V), \overline{\rho})$ s.t. $\overline{\rho}$ submult. seminorm

Thm (Ghasemi, Kuhlmann, Marshall, 2014)

Let (A, σ) be a submult. seminormed $\mathbb{R}$-alg. and M a $2d$-power module of A. If $L : A \to \mathbb{R}$ is a $\sigma-$continuous linear functional, then:

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Notation:
- **Gelfand spectrum** of ρ: $\mathfrak{sp}(\rho) := \{\alpha \in X(A) : \alpha \text{ is } \rho\text{-continuous}\}$.
- **operator norm in** V^* w.r.t. ρ: $\rho'(v^*) := \inf\{C \in [0, \infty) : |v^*(f)| \leq C\rho(f)\ \forall f \in V\}$
- **closed unitary ball** in V^* w.r.t. ρ: $\overline{B}_1(\rho') := \{v^* \in V^* : \rho'(v^*) \leq 1\}$.

Continuous functionals on $S(V)$ (II. case)

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Lemma

Suppose that τ is a lc topology on V generated by a directed family $\mathcal{S}$ of seminorms.
$\Big(L : V \to \mathbb{R}$ is τ-continuous $\Big) \Leftrightarrow \Big(\exists\, \rho \in \mathcal{S}$ s.t. L is ρ-continuous$\Big)$.

Proposition (M. Ghasemi, M. I., S. Kuhlmann, M. Marshall, 2015)

$$(V, \tau) \text{ s.t. } \tau \text{ lc topology} \to (S(V), \overline{\tau}) \text{ s.t. } \overline{\tau} \text{ lmc topology}$$

-$\overline{\tau}$ defined by the directed family of submultiplicative seminorms $\overline{i\rho}$, $\rho \in \mathcal{S}$, $i \in \mathbb{N}$
-$\overline{\tau}$ is the finest lmc topology on $S(V)$ extending τ.

RECALL: A **locally multiplicatively convex** (lmc) topology on an $\mathbb{R}$-algebra A is a topology on A generated by some family of submultiplicative seminorms on A.

Theorem (M. Ghasemi, M. I., S. Kuhlmann, M. Marshall, 2015)

Let (V, τ) be a lc $\mathbb{R}$-vector space and M be a $2d$-power module of $S(V)$.
If $L : S(V) \to \mathbb{R}$ is a $\overline{\tau}$-continuous linear functional, then:

$$\Big(L(M) \subseteq [0, +\infty)\Big) \Leftrightarrow \Big(\exists\,!\, \mu \text{ on } V^*\text{: } L(f) = \int_{V^*} \hat{f}(\alpha)\mu(d\alpha) \ \&\ \operatorname{supp}\mu \subseteq X_M \cap \overline{B}_i(\rho')$$

$$\text{for some } \rho \in \mathcal{S} \text{ and some integer } i \geq 1\Big)$$

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For more details see:

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