# SELF-ADJOINT INTERPOLATION PROBLEMS IN CSL-ALGEBRA ALG $\mathcal{L}$

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ABSTRACT. Given vectors x and y in a Hilbert space, an interpolating operator is a bounded operator T such that Tx = y. An interpolating operator for N vectors satisfies the equation  $Tx_i = y_i$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . In this article, we investigate self-adjoint interpolation problems in CSL-Algebra Alg $\mathcal{L}$ .

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a collection of operators acting on a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  and let x and y be vectors on  $\mathcal{H}$ . An *interpolation question* for  $\mathcal{C}$  asks for which x and y is there a bounded operator  $T \in \mathcal{C}$  such that Tx = y. A variation, the 'N-vector interpolation problem', asks for an operator T such that  $Tx_i = y_i$  for fixed finite collections  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$  and  $\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}$ . The N-vector interpolation problem was considered for a  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{U}$  by Kadison[9]. In case  $\mathcal{U}$  is a nest algebra, the (one-vector) interpolation problem was solved by Lance[10]: his result was extended by Hopenwasser[4] to the case that  $\mathcal{U}$  is a CSL-algebra. Munch[11] obtained conditions for interpolation in case T is required to lie in the ideal of Hilbert-Schmidt operators in a nest algebra. Hopenwasser[5] once again extended the interpolation condition to the ideal of Hilbert-Schmidt operators in a Sufficient condition (attributed to S. Power) for interpolation N-vectors, although necessity was not proved in that paper.

In this article, we investigate the self-adjoint interpolation problems in CSL-Algebra Alg $\mathcal{L}$ : Given vectors x and y in a Hilbert space and a commutative subspace lattice  $\mathcal{L}$  on  $\mathcal{H}$ , when is there a self-adjoint operator A in Alg $\mathcal{L}$  such that Ax = y?

First, we establish some notations and conventions. A commutative subspace lattice  $\mathcal{L}$ , or CSL  $\mathcal{L}$  is a strongly closed lattice of pairwise-commuting projections acting on a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ . We assume that the projections 0 and I lie in  $\mathcal{L}$ . We usually identify projections and their ranges, so that it makes sense to speak of an operator as leaving a projection invariant. If  $\mathcal{L}$  is CSL, Alg $\mathcal{L}$  is called a CSL-algebra. The symbol Alg $\mathcal{L}$  is the algebra of all bounded linear operators on  $\mathcal{H}$  that leave invariant all the projections in  $\mathcal{L}$ . Let x and y be

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vectors in a Hilbert space. Then  $\langle x, y \rangle$  means the inner product of vectors x and y. In this paper, we use the convention  $\frac{0}{0} = 0$ , when necessary.

#### 2. Results

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space and  $\mathcal{L}$  be a commutative subspace lattice of orthogonal projections acting on  $\mathcal{H}$  containing 0 and I. Then Alg $\mathcal{L}$  is the algebra of all bounded linear operators on  $\mathcal{H}$  that leave invariant all the projections in  $\mathcal{L}$ . Let M be a subset of a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ . Then  $\overline{M}$  means the closure of M and  $\overline{M}^{\perp}$  the orthogonal complement of M. Let  $\mathbf{N}$  be the set of all natural numbers and let  $\mathbb{C}$  be the set of all complex numbers.

**Definition.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space and let A be an operator acting on  $\mathcal{H}$ . Then A is called a self-adjoint operator if  $A^* = A$ .

**Theorem 1.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space and let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a subspace lattice on  $\mathcal{H}$ . Let x and y be vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ . If there is an operator A in  $Alg\mathcal{L}$  such that Ax = y, A is self-adjoint and every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  reduces A, then

$$\sup\left\{\frac{\|\sum_{i=1}^{n}\alpha_{i}E_{i}y\|}{\|\sum_{i=1}^{n}\alpha_{i}E_{i}x\|}:n\in \mathbb{N},\alpha_{i}\in\mathbb{C} \text{ and } E_{i}\in\mathcal{L}\right\}<\infty \text{ and } < Ex,y>=< Ey,x>$$

for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$ .

*Proof.* We can get the first result by Theorem 1 [8] under the given hypothesis. So we need to show that  $\langle Ex, y \rangle = \langle Ey, x \rangle$  for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  whenever  $A^* = A$ . Since AE = EA,  $A^*E = EA^*$  for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$ . Since  $Ax = A^*x = y$ ,  $A^*Ex = AEx = Ey$  for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$ . Hence  $\langle Ey, x \rangle = \langle A^*Ex, x \rangle = \langle Ex, Ax \rangle = \langle Ex, y \rangle$  for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$ .

Let x and y be vectors of a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ . Let

$$\mathcal{M} = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i E_i x : n \in N, \alpha_i \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } E_i \in \mathcal{L} \right\} \text{ and}$$
$$\mathcal{M}_1 = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i E_i y : n \in N, \alpha_i \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } E_i \in \mathcal{L} \right\}.$$

**Theorem 2.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space and let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a commutative subspace lattice on  $\mathcal{H}$ . Let x and y be vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ . Assume that  $\mathcal{M}_1 \subset \overline{\mathcal{M}}$ . If

$$\sup\left\{\frac{\left\|\sum_{i=1}^{n}\alpha_{i}E_{i}y\right\|}{\left\|\sum_{i=1}^{n}\alpha_{i}E_{i}x\right\|}: n \in N, \alpha_{i} \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } E_{i} \in \mathcal{L}\right\} < \infty \text{ and } < Ex, y > = < Ey, x >$$

for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$ , then there is an operator A in  $Alg\mathcal{L}$  such that y = Ax,  $A^* = A$  and every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  reduces A.

*Proof.* We can get results except that  $A^* = A$  by Theorem 1 [8] under the given hypothesis. So we need to prove that if  $\langle Ex, y \rangle = \langle Ey, x \rangle$  for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$ , then  $A^* = A$ . Since

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 $\langle Ex, y \rangle = \langle Ey, x \rangle$  for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$ ,

$$< A(\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} E_{i} x), x > = < \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} E_{i} A x, x >$$
$$= < \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} E_{i} y, x >$$
$$= < \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} E_{i} x, y > .$$

Since  $y \in \overline{\mathcal{M}}$ ,  $A^*x = y$ . Since EA = AE,  $EA^* = A^*E$  for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$ . So

$$A^* \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i E_i x\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i A^* E_i x$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i E_i A^* x$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i E_i y.$$

Since  $\mathcal{M}_1 \subset \overline{\mathcal{M}}, A^* f = 0$  for every f in  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}^{\perp}$ . Hence  $A^* = A$ .

**Corollary 3.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space and let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a commutative subspace lattice on  $\mathcal{H}$ . Let x and y be vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ . Assume that  $\mathcal{M}$  is dense in  $\mathcal{H}$ . If

$$\sup\left\{\frac{\left\|\sum_{i=1}^{n}\alpha_{i}E_{i}y\right\|}{\left\|\sum_{i=1}^{n}\alpha_{i}E_{i}x\right\|}: n \in N, \alpha_{i} \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } E_{i} \in \mathcal{L}\right\} < \infty \text{ and } < Ex, y > = < Ey, x >$$

for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$ , then there is an operator A in  $Alg\mathcal{L}$  such that y = Ax,  $A^* = A$  and every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  reduces A.

If we summarize Theorems 1, 2 and Corollary 3, we can get the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space and let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a commutative subspace lattice on  $\mathcal{H}$ . Let x and y be vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ . Assume that  $\mathcal{M}_1 \subset \overline{\mathcal{M}}$  or  $\mathcal{M}$  is dense in  $\mathcal{H}$ . Then the following statements are equivalent.

(1) There exists an operator A in Alg $\mathcal{L}$  such that Ax = y,  $A^* = A$  and every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  reduces A.

(2) 
$$\sup\left\{\frac{\|\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i E_i y\|}{\|\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i E_i x\|} : n \in N, \alpha_i \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } E_i \in \mathcal{L}\right\} < \infty \text{ and}$$

 $\langle Ex, y \rangle = \langle Ey, x \rangle$  for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$ .

**Theorem 5.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space and  $\mathcal{L}$  be a subspace lattice on  $\mathcal{H}$ . Let  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ and  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$  be vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ . If there is an operator A in Alg $\mathcal{L}$  such that  $Ax_p = y_p$ for all  $p = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ,  $A^* = A$  and every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  reduces A,

$$then \sup\left\{\frac{\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_i}\sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} y_i\|}{\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_i}\sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} x_i\|} : m_i \in \mathbb{N}, l \leq n, E_{k,i} \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and } \alpha_{k,i} \in \mathbb{C}\right\} < \infty \text{ and}$$
$$< Ex_p, y_j > = < Ey_p, x_j > \text{ for every } E \text{ in } \mathcal{L} \text{ and all } p, j = 1, 2, \cdots, n.$$

*Proof.* By Theorem 2 [8], we know that

$$\sup\left\{\frac{\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_{i}}\sum_{i=1}^{l}\alpha_{k,i}E_{k,i}y_{i}\right\|}{\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_{i}}\sum_{i=1}^{l}\alpha_{k,i}E_{k,i}x_{i}\right\|}:m_{i}\in N, l\leq n, E_{k,i}\in\mathcal{L} \text{ and } \alpha_{k,i}\in\mathbb{C}\right\}<\infty. \text{ Since}$$

 $A^* = A, \langle Ey_p, x_j \rangle = \langle EAx_p, x_j \rangle = \langle AEx_p, x_j \rangle = \langle Ex_p, A^*x_j \rangle = \langle Ex_p, y_j \rangle$  for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  and all  $p, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

**Theorem 6.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space and  $\mathcal{L}$  be a commutative subspace lattice on  $\mathcal{H}$ . Let  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  and  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$  be vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ . Let

$$\mathcal{K} = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{m_i} \sum_{i=1}^{l} \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} x_i : m_i \in N, l \leq n, E_{k,i} \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and } \alpha_{k,i} \in \mathbb{C} \right\} \text{ and}$$
$$\mathcal{K}_1 = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{m_i} \sum_{i=1}^{l} \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} y_i : m_i \in N, l \leq n, E_{k,i} \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and } \alpha_{k,i} \in \mathbb{C} \right\}$$

Assume that  $\mathcal{K}_1 \subset \overline{\mathcal{K}}$ .

$$If \sup \left\{ \frac{\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_i} \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} y_i\|}{\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_i} \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} x_i\|} : m_i \in N, l \le n, E_{k,i} \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and } \alpha_{k,i} \in \mathbb{C} \right\} < \infty \text{ and}$$

 $\langle Ex_p, y_j \rangle = \langle Ey_p, x_j \rangle$  for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  and all  $p, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , then there exists an operator A in  $Alg\mathcal{L}$  such that  $Ax_p = y_p$  for all  $p = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ,  $A^* = A$  and every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  reduces A.

*Proof.* By Theorem 2 [8], there exists an operator A in Alg $\mathcal{L}$  such that  $Ax_p = y_p$  for all  $p = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  reduces A. We want to show that  $A^* = A$  if  $\langle Ex_p, y_j \rangle = \langle Ey_p, x_j \rangle$  for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  and all  $p, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . First, we will show that  $A^*x_p = y_p$  for all  $p = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Since  $\langle Ex_p, y_j \rangle = \langle Ey_p, x_j \rangle$  for all E in  $\mathcal{L}$  and all  $p, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

$$< A(\sum_{k=1}^{m_{i}} \sum_{i=1}^{l} \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} x_{i}), x_{j} > = < \sum_{k=1}^{m_{i}} \sum_{i=1}^{l} \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} A x_{i}, x_{j} >$$
$$= < \sum_{k=1}^{m_{i}} \sum_{i=1}^{l} \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} y_{i}, x_{j} >$$
$$= < \sum_{k=1}^{m_{i}} \sum_{i=1}^{l} \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} x_{i}, y_{j} > .$$

Since  $\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\} \subset \overline{\mathcal{K}}, y_j = A^* x_j$  for all  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Since  $\mathcal{K}_1 \subset \overline{\mathcal{K}}, A^* f = 0$  for every f in  $\overline{\mathcal{K}}^{\perp}$ . Hence  $A^* = A$ .

**Corollary 7.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space and  $\mathcal{L}$  be a commutative subspace lattice on  $\mathcal{H}$ . Let  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  and  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$  be vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ . Assume that

$$\mathcal{K} = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{m_i} \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} x_i : m_i \in N, l \le n, E_{k,i} \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and } \alpha_{k,i} \in \mathbb{C} \right\} \text{ is dense in } \mathcal{H}. \text{ If}$$
$$\sup \left\{ \frac{\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_i} \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} y_i\|}{\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_i} \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} x_i\|} : m_i \in N, l \le n, E_{k,i} \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and } \alpha_{k,i} \in \mathbb{C} \right\} < \infty \text{ and}$$

 $\langle Ex_q, y_j \rangle = \langle Ey_q, x_j \rangle$  for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  and all  $q, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , then there exists an operator A in  $Alg\mathcal{L}$  such that  $Ax_p = y_p$  for all  $p = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ,  $A^* = A$  and every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  reduces A.

If we summarize Theorems 5, 6 and Corollary 7, we can get the following theorem.

**Theorem 8.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space and  $\mathcal{L}$  be a commutative subspace lattice on  $\mathcal{H}$ . Let  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  and  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$  be vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ . Assume that  $\mathcal{K}_1 \subset \overline{\mathcal{K}}$  or  $\mathcal{K}$  is dense in  $\mathcal{H}$ . Then the following statements are equivalent.

(1) There exists an operator A in Alg $\mathcal{L}$  such that  $Ax_p = y_p$  for all  $p = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $A^* = A$ and every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  reduces A.

(2) 
$$\sup\left\{\frac{\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_i}\sum_{i=1}^{l}\alpha_{k,i}E_{k,i}y_i\|}{\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_i}\sum_{i=1}^{l}\alpha_{k,i}E_{k,i}x_i\|}: m_i \in N, l \le n, E_{k,i} \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and } \alpha_{k,i} \in \mathbb{C}\right\} < \infty$$

and  $\langle Ex_p, y_j \rangle = \langle Ey_p, x_j \rangle$  for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  and all  $p, j = 1, 2, \cdots, n$ .

If we modify proofs of Theorems 5, 6, 7 and 8 a little bit, we can prove the following theorems. So we will omit their proofs.

**Theorem 9.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space and let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a subspace lattice on  $\mathcal{H}$ . Let  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  be two infinite sequences of vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ . If there is an operator A in Alg $\mathcal{L}$  such that  $Ax_n = y_n$  for all  $n = 1, 2, \dots, A^* = A$  and every E in  $\mathcal{L}$ 

reduces A, then 
$$\sup\left\{\frac{\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_{i}}\sum_{i=1}^{l}\alpha_{k,i}E_{k,i}y_{i}\right\|}{\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_{i}}\sum_{i=1}^{l}\alpha_{k,i}E_{k,i}x_{i}\right\|}:m_{i}, l \in N, E_{k,i} \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and } \alpha_{k,i} \in \mathbb{C}\right\} <$$

 $\infty$  and  $\langle Ex_p, y_j \rangle = \langle Ey_p, x_j \rangle$  for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  and all  $p, j = 1, 2, \cdots$ .

**Theorem 10.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space and let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a commutative subspace lattice on  $\mathcal{H}$ . Let  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  be two infinite sequences of vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ . Let

$$\mathcal{U} = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{m_i} \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} x_i : m_i, l \in N, E_{k,i} \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and } \alpha_{k,i} \in \mathbb{C} \right\} \text{ and}$$
$$\mathcal{U}_1 = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{m_i} \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} y_i : m_i, l \in N, E_{k,i} \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and } \alpha_{k,i} \in \mathbb{C} \right\}.$$

Assume that  $\mathcal{U}_1 \subset \overline{\mathcal{U}}$ .

$$If \sup \left\{ \frac{\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_i} \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} y_i\|}{\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_i} \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} x_i\|} : m_i, l \in N, E_{k,i} \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and } \alpha_{k,i} \in \mathbb{C} \right\} < \infty$$

and  $\langle Ex_p, y_j \rangle = \langle Ey_p, x_j \rangle$  for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  and all p, j, then there is an operator A in  $Alg\mathcal{L}$  such that  $Ax_n = y_n$  for all  $n = 1, 2, \dots, A^* = A$  and every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  reduces A.

**Corollary 11.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space and let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a commutative subspace lattice on  $\mathcal{H}$ . Let  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  be two infinite sequences of vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ . Let

$$\mathcal{U} = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{m_i} \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} x_i : m_i, l \in N, E_{k,i} \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and } \alpha_{k,i} \in \mathbb{C} \right\}. \text{ Assume that } \mathcal{U} \text{ is dense}$$
  
in  $\mathcal{H}.$  If  $\sup \left\{ \frac{\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_i} \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} y_i\|}{\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_i} \sum_{i=1}^l \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} x_i\|} : m_i, l \in N, E_{k,i} \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and } \alpha_{k,i} \in \mathbb{C} \right\} < \infty$ 

and  $\langle Ex_p, y_j \rangle = \langle Ey_p, x_j \rangle$  for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  and all p, j, then there is an operator A in  $Alg\mathcal{L}$  such that  $Ax_n = y_n$  for all  $n = 1, 2, \dots, A^* = A$  and every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  reduces A.

**Theorem 12.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space and let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a commutative subspace lattice on  $\mathcal{H}$ . Let  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  be two infinite sequences of vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ .

$$Let \mathcal{U} = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{m_i} \sum_{i=1}^{l} \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} x_i : m_i, l \in N, E_{k,i} \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and } \alpha_{k,i} \in \mathbb{C} \right\} \text{ and } let$$
$$\mathcal{U}_1 = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{m_i} \sum_{i=1}^{l} \alpha_{k,i} E_{k,i} y_i : m_i, l \in N, E_{k,i} \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and } \alpha_{k,i} \in \mathbb{C} \right\}. \text{ Assume that } \mathcal{U}_1 \subset \overline{\mathcal{U}}$$

or  $\mathcal{U}$  is dense in  $\mathcal{H}$ . Then the following statements are equivalent.

(1) There is an operator A in Alg $\mathcal{L}$  such that  $Ax_j = y_j$  for all  $j = 1, 2, \dots, A^* = A$  and every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  reduces A.

(2) 
$$\sup\left\{\frac{\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_{i}}\sum_{i=1}^{l}\alpha_{k,i}E_{k,i}y_{i}\right\|}{\left\|\sum_{k=1}^{m_{i}}\sum_{i=1}^{l}\alpha_{k,i}E_{k,i}x_{i}\right\|}:m_{i}, l \in N, E_{k,i} \in \mathcal{L} and \alpha_{k,i} \in \mathbb{C}\right\} < \infty and$$

 $\langle Ex_p, y_j \rangle = \langle Ey_p, x_j \rangle$  for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  and all p, j.

From Theorem 2, we can get the following theorem.

**Theorem 13.** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space and let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a commutative subspace lattice on  $\mathcal{H}$ . Let  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  and y be vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$ .

If 
$$\sup\left\{\frac{\|\sum_{i=1}^{m} \alpha_i E_i y\|}{\sum_{k=1}^{n} \|\sum_{i=1}^{m} \alpha_i E_i x_k\|} : m \in N, E_i \in \mathcal{L} \text{ and } \alpha_i \in \mathbb{C}\right\} < \infty$$
 and

 $\langle Ex_p, y \rangle = \langle Ey, x_p \rangle$  for every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  and all  $p = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , then there are operators  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  in  $Alg\mathcal{L}$  such that  $y = \sum_{k=1}^n A_k x_k$ ,  $A_l^* = A_l$  and every E in  $\mathcal{L}$  reduces  $A_l$  for all  $l = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

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