



## AN ALMOST ORTHOSYMMETRIC BILINEAR MAP

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, as a generalization of the concept of pseudo-almost  $f$ -algebra, we define a new concept of almost orthosymmetric bilinear map on a vector lattice and prove that the Arens triadjoint of a positive almost orthosymmetric bilinear map is positive almost orthosymmetric. This also extends results on the order bidual of pseudo-almost  $f$ -algebras.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

We studied in [16] a new class of pseudo-almost  $f$ -algebra (a lattice ordered algebra  $A$  in which  $a \wedge b = 0$  in  $A$  implies  $ab \wedge ba = 0$ ) and presented its relation with the certain lattice ordered algebras;  $f$ -algebras [5], almost  $f$ -algebras [6] and  $d$ -algebras [12].

In [17], concentrating on the Arens multiplications [2, 3] in the algebraic bidual of pseudo-almost  $f$ -algebras (so-called  $r$ -algebra in [17]), we prove that the order continuous bidual of an Archimedean pseudo-almost  $f$ -algebra is again a Dedekind complete (and hence Archimedean) pseudo-almost  $f$ -algebra. This is a generalization of a result of Bernau and Huijsmans in [4] in which they prove that the order continuous bidual of an almost  $f$ -algebra (respectively  $d$ -algebra) is again an almost  $f$ -algebra (respectively  $d$ -algebra).

In this paper, as an extension of the notion of pseudo-almost  $f$ -algebra, we introduce a new concept of almost orthosymmetric bilinear map and prove that if  $A, B$  are vector lattices and  $T : A \times A \rightarrow B$  is a positive almost orthosymmetric bilinear map, then the triadjoint  $T^{***} : (A')'_n \times (A')'_n \rightarrow (B')'_n$  is a positive almost orthosymmetric bilinear map. This also generalizes results on the order bidual of pseudo-almost  $f$ -algebras in [17].

The Arens multiplication introduced in [3] on the bidual of various lattice ordered algebras has been well documented (see, e.g., [4]). The more general question about Arens triadjoints of bilinear maps on products of vector lattices has recently aroused

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considerable interest (see, e.g., [7]). In this direction, as the extensions of the notions of classes of almost  $f$ -algebra,  $f$ -algebra,  $d$ -algebra and pseudo-almost  $f$ -algebra, we have studied the Arens triadjoints of some classes of bilinear maps on vector lattices; mainly, orthosymmetric bilinear maps, bi-orthomorphisms,  $d$ -bimorphisms and almost orthomorphism bilinear maps (see [15, 14]):

**Definition 1.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be vector lattices. A bilinear map  $T : A \times A \rightarrow B$  is said to be

(1) *orthosymmetric* if  $x \wedge y = 0$  implies  $T(x, y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in A$  (first appeared in a paper by G. Buskes and A. van Rooij in [9] in 2000).

(2) a *bi-orthomorphism* if it is a separately order bounded bilinear map such that  $x \wedge y = 0$  in  $A$  implies  $T(z, x) \wedge y = 0$  for all  $z \in A^+$ , when  $A = B$  (first appears a paper by G. Buskes, R. Page Jr and R. Yilmaz in [10] in 2009).

(3) a  *$d$ -bimorphism* if  $x \wedge y = 0$  in  $A$  implies  $T(z, x) \wedge T(z, y) = 0$  for all  $z \in A^+$  (first appears in a paper R. Yilmaz in [14] in 2017).

(4) *almost orthosymmetric* if  $x \wedge y = 0$  implies  $T(x, y) \wedge T(y, x) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in A$ .

The following theorem is obvious from the above definitions.

**Theorem 2.** (1) *Every bi-orthomorphism is both orthosymmetric and a  $d$ -bimorphism.*

(2) *Every orthosymmetric bilinear map is almost orthosymmetric.*

From here on, let  $A, B$ , and  $C$  be Archimedean vector lattices and  $A', B', C'$  be their respective duals.

A bilinear map  $T : A \times B \rightarrow C$  can be extended in a natural way to the bilinear map  $T^{***} : A'' \times B'' \rightarrow C''$  constructed in the following stages:

$$\begin{aligned} T^* : C' \times A &\rightarrow B', & T^*(f, x)(y) &= f(T(x, y)) \\ T^{**} : B'' \times C' &\rightarrow A', & T^{**}(G, f)(x) &= G(T^*(f, x)) \\ T^{***} : A'' \times B'' &\rightarrow C'', & T^{***}(F, G)(f) &= F(T^{**}(G, f)) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in A, y \in B, f \in C', F \in A'', G \in B''$  (so-called the *first Arens adjoint* of  $T$ ).

Another extension of a bilinear map  $T : A \times B \rightarrow C$  is the map  ${}^{***}T : A'' \times B'' \rightarrow C''$  constructed in the following stages:

$$\begin{aligned} {}^*T : B \times C' &\rightarrow A', & {}^*T(y, f)(x) &= f(T(x, y)) \\ {}^{**}T : C' \times A'' &\rightarrow B', & {}^{**}T(f, F)(y) &= F({}^*T(y, f)) \\ {}^{***}T : A'' \times B'' &\rightarrow C'', & {}^{***}T(F, G)(f) &= G({}^{**}T(f, F)) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in A, y \in B, f \in C', F \in A'', G \in B''$  (so-called the *second Arens adjoint* of  $T$ ) [3].

In this work we shall concentrate on the first Arens adjoint; that is, we prove that  $T^{***} : (A')'_n \times (A')'_n \rightarrow (B')'_n$  is positive almost orthosymmetric whenever  $T : A \times A \rightarrow B$  is so. Similar results hold for the second.

For the elementary theory of vector lattices and terminology not explained here we refer to [1, 13, 18].

2. THE TRIADJOINT OF AN ALMOST ORTHOSYMMETRIC BILINEAR MAP

In this section we prove that the extension  $T^{***}$  of a positive almost orthosymmetric bilinear map  $T : A \times A \rightarrow B$  is again positive almost orthosymmetric. We first recall some relevant notions. The *canonical mapping*  $a \mapsto \widehat{a}$  of a vector lattice  $A$  into its order bidual  $A''$  is defined by  $\widehat{a}(f) = f(a)$  for all  $f \in A'$ . For each  $a \in A$ ,  $\widehat{a}$  defines an order continuous algebraic lattice homomorphism on  $A'$  and the canonical image  $\widehat{A}$  of  $A$  is a subalgebra of  $(A')'_c$ . Moreover the band

$$I_{\widehat{A}} = \{F \in (A')'_c : |F| \leq \widehat{x} \text{ for some } x \in A^+\}$$

generated by  $\widehat{A}$  is order dense in  $(A')'_c$ ; i.e., for each  $F \in (A')'_c$ , there exists an upwards directed net  $\{G_\lambda : \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  in  $I_{\widehat{A}}$  such that  $0 < G_\lambda \uparrow F$ .

A bilinear operator  $T : A \times B \rightarrow C$  is said to be *order bounded* if for all  $(x, y) \in A^+ \times B^+$  we have

$$\{T(a, b) : 0 \leq a \leq x, 0 \leq b \leq y\}$$

is order bounded.  $T$  is *positive* if for all  $x \in A^+$  and  $y \in B^+$  we have  $T(x, y) \in C^+$ . Clearly every positive bilinear map is order bounded. Moreover if  $T$  is positive, then so is  $T^*$ .

Let  $0 \leq f \in B'$  and  $x \in A^+$ . Then the positive linear functional  $*T(x, f)$  in  $A'$  defined by, for all  $y \in A$ ,

$$*T(x, f)(y) = f(T(y, x))$$

satisfies

$$T^{**}(\widehat{x}, f) = *T(x, f).$$

Indeed, for all  $y \in A$ ,

$$T^{**}(\widehat{x}, f)(y) = \widehat{x}(T^*(f, y)) = T^*(f, y)(x) = f(T(y, x)) = *T(x, f)(y).$$

**Proposition 3.** *Let  $A, B$  be vector lattices and  $T : A \times A \rightarrow B$  be a positive almost orthosymmetric bilinear map. If  $x \in A^+$  and  $0 \leq G, H \in (A')'_n$  satisfy  $G, H \leq \widehat{x}$  and  $G \wedge H = 0$ , then  $T^{***}(G, H) \wedge T^{***}(H, G) = 0$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $T$  be positive almost orthosymmetric. Then clearly  $T^{***}$  is positive.

Let  $0 \leq f \in B'$  and  $x \in A^+$ . Then  $0 \leq *T(x, f) + T^*(f, x) \in A'$ , and so, by Corollary 1.2 of [4], there exist  $g, h \in A'$  with  $g \wedge h = 0$ , and  $G(g) = 0 = H(h)$  such that

$$*T(x, f) + T^*(f, x) = g + h.$$

By the Riesz-Kantorovič Theorem ([1, Theorem 1.13]),

$$\inf\{g(y) + h(z) : x = y + z, y, z \in A^+\} = (g \wedge h)(x) = 0,$$

which implies that, for  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exist  $y, z \in A^+$  such that  $x = y + z$  and  $g(y) < \epsilon$  and  $h(z) < \epsilon$ .

We now define the linear functionals  $G_1$  and  $H_1$  on  $A'$  by

$$G_1 = G \wedge (\widehat{y - y \wedge z}) \quad \text{and} \quad H_1 = H \wedge (\widehat{z - y \wedge z}).$$

Clearly,  $0 \leq G_1, H_1 \in (A')'_c$  and the following inequalities hold.

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq H - H_1 &= (H - (z - y \wedge z))^+ \leq (\widehat{x} - (z - \widehat{y} \wedge z))^+ \\ &= (y + z - (z - y \wedge z))^+ = (y + \widehat{y} \wedge z)^+ \leq 2\widehat{y}, \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

and similarly

$$0 \leq G - G_1 \leq 2\widehat{z}. \quad (2)$$

Since  $T^{***}$  is positive and  $T^{***}(\widehat{a}, \widehat{b}) = \widehat{T(a, b)}$  for all  $a, b \in A$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq T^{***}(G_1, H_1) \wedge T^{***}(H_1, G_1) \\ &\leq T^{***}(\widehat{y - y \wedge z}, \widehat{z - y \wedge z}) \wedge T^{***}(\widehat{z - y \wedge z}, \widehat{y - y \wedge z}) = 0; \\ &\text{i.e., } T^{***}(G_1, H_1) \wedge T^{***}(H_1, G_1) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

We next consider the elements

$$0 \leq T^{***}(G - G_1, H), T^{***}(G_1, H - H_1), T^{***}(H - H_1, G), T^{***}(H_1, G - G_1)$$

of  $(A')'_n$ . Then, by the positivity of  $T^{***}$  and (1),

$$\begin{aligned} T^{***}(G - G_1, H)(f) &\leq T^{***}(G - G_1, \widehat{x})(f) = (G - G_1)(T^{**}(\widehat{x}, f)) \\ &= (G - G_1)(*T(x, f)) \leq (G - G_1)(*T(x, f) + T^*(f, x)) \\ &= (G - G_1)(g + h) = (G - G_1)(g) + (G - G_1)(h) \\ &\leq G(g) + (G - G_1)(h) \leq 0 + 2\widehat{z}(h) = 2h(z) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

and, by (2),

$$\begin{aligned} T^{***}(G_1, H - H_1)(f) &\leq T^{***}(G, H - H_1)(f) \leq T^{***}(\widehat{x}, H - H_1)(f) \\ &= \widehat{x}(T^{**}(H - H_1, f)) = T^{**}(H - H_1, f)(x) \\ &= (H - H_1)(T^*(f, x)) \\ &\leq (H - H_1)(T^*(f, x) + *T(x, f)) = (H - H_1)(g + h) \\ &= (H - H_1)(g) + (H - H_1)(h) \leq H(g) + (H - H_1)(h) \\ &\leq 0 + 2\widehat{y}(g) = 2g(y). \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

It follows by symmetry that

$$T^{***}(H - H_1, G)(f) \leq 2g(y) \quad \text{and} \quad T^{***}(H_1, G - G_1)(f) \leq 2h(z). \quad (6)$$

Using the fact that  $(a + b) \wedge c \leq a \wedge c + b \wedge c \leq a + b \wedge c$  in vector lattices and (3), we find

$$\begin{aligned} T^{***}(G, H) \wedge T^{***}(H, G) &= (T^{***}(G - G_1, H) + T^{***}(G_1, H - H_1) + T^{***}(G_1, H_1)) \\ &\quad \wedge (T^{***}(H - H_1, G) + T^{***}(H_1, G - G_1) + T^{***}(H_1, G_1)) \\ &\leq T^{***}(G - G_1, H) + T^{***}(G_1, H - H_1) \\ &\quad + T^{***}(G_1, H_1) \wedge (T^{***}(H - H_1, G) + T^{***}(G_1, G - G_1) \\ &\quad \quad + T^{***}(H_1, G_1)) \\ &\leq T^{***}(G - G_1, H) + T^{***}(G_1, H - H_1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+T^{***}(G_1, H_1) \wedge T^{***}(H - H_1, G) + T^{***}(H_1, G - G_1) \\
 &\quad +T^{***}(G_1, H_1) \wedge T^{***}(H_1, G_1) \\
 &\leq T^{***}(G - G_1, H) + T^{***}(G_1, H - H_1) \\
 &\quad +T^{***}(H - H_1, G) + T^{***}(H_1, G - G_1).
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by (4), (5) and (6),

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 \leq T^{***}(G, H) \wedge T^{***}(H, G)(f) &\leq T^{***}(G - G_1, H)(f) + T^{***}(G_1, H - H_1)(f) \\
 &\quad +T^{***}(H - H_1, G)(f) + T^{***}(H_1, G - G_1)(f) \\
 &\leq 2h(z) + 2g(y) + 2g(y) + 2h(z) \leq 8\epsilon.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since this holds for an arbitrary  $\epsilon > 0$ , we have  $T^{***}(G, H) \wedge T^{***}(H, G)(f) = 0$  for all  $0 \leq f \in B'$ . It now follows that for all  $f \in B'$

$$\begin{aligned}
 T^{***}(G, H) \wedge T^{***}(H, G)(f) &= T^{***}(G, H) \wedge T^{***}(H, G)(f^+) \\
 &\quad -T^{***}(G, H) \wedge T^{***}(H, G)(f^-) \\
 &= 0,
 \end{aligned}$$

and so  $T^{***}(G, H) \wedge T^{***}(H, G) = 0$ , as required.  $\square$

We are in a position to prove the main result of this paper.

**Theorem 4.** *Let  $A, B$  be vector lattices and  $T : A \times A \rightarrow B$  be a positive almost orthosymmetric bilinear map. Then the bilinear map  $T^{***} : (A')'_n \times (A')'_n \rightarrow (B')'_n$  is positive almost orthosymmetric.*

*Proof.* In the preceding proposition we have proved that the restriction map  $T^{***}|_{I_{\widehat{A}} \times I_{\widehat{A}}}$  is positive almost orthosymmetric whenever  $T : A \times A \rightarrow B$  is so. We now extend the result to the whole  $(A')'_n \times (A')'_n$ . To do this, let  $0 \leq G, H \in (A')'_n$  such that  $G \wedge H = 0$ . We have to show that  $T^{***}(G, H) \wedge T^{***}(H, G)(f) = 0$ . Since the band  $I_{\widehat{A}}$  is order dense in  $(A')'_n$ , there exist  $G_\alpha, H_\beta \in I_{\widehat{A}}$  such that  $0 \leq G_\alpha \uparrow G$  and  $0 \leq H_\beta \uparrow H$  with  $0 \leq G_\alpha \leq \widehat{x}_\alpha$  and  $0 \leq H_\beta \leq \widehat{y}_\beta$  for some  $x_\alpha, y_\beta \in A^+$ . It follows from  $G \wedge H = 0$  that  $G_\alpha \wedge H_\beta = 0$  for all  $\alpha, \beta$ . Furthermore,  $0 \leq G_\alpha, H_\beta \leq \widehat{x_\alpha + y_\beta}$ . Hence, by above, we see that

$$T^{***}(G_\alpha, H_\beta) \wedge T^{***}(H_\beta, G_\alpha) = 0 \tag{7}$$

for all  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . Now let  $0 \leq f \in B'$ . It follows from  $0 \leq H_\beta \uparrow H$  that  $0 \leq H_\beta(T^{**}(f, x)) \uparrow H(T^{**}(f, x))$ ;

$$\text{i.e., } 0 \leq T^{**}(H_\beta, f)(x) \uparrow T^{**}(H, f)(x)$$

for all  $0 \leq x \in A$ . This shows that  $0 \leq T^{**}(H_\beta, f) \uparrow T^{**}(H, f)$ . Hence, by the order continuity of  $G_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha$ ,  $0 \leq G_\alpha(T^{**}(H_\beta, f)) \uparrow G_\alpha(T^{**}(H, f))$ ;

$$\text{i.e., } 0 \leq T^{***}(G_\alpha, H_\beta)(f) \uparrow T^{***}(G_\alpha, H)(f)$$

which implies that, for each  $\alpha$ ,

$$0 \leq T^{***}(G_\alpha, H_\beta) \uparrow T^{***}(G_\alpha, H). \tag{8}$$

Similarly, since  $0 \leq G_\alpha \uparrow G$ , we have  $0 \leq G_\alpha(T^{**}(H, f)) \uparrow G(T^{**}(H, f))$ ;

$$\text{i.e., } 0 \leq T^{***}(G_\alpha, H)(f) \uparrow T^{***}(G, H)(f)$$

for all  $0 \leq f \in B'$ , and so

$$0 \leq T^{***}(G_\alpha, H) \uparrow T^{***}(G, H) \tag{9}$$

In the same way, by the order continuity of  $H_\beta$  for each  $\beta$ , we obtain

$$0 \leq T^{***}(H_\beta, G_\alpha) \uparrow T^{***}(H_\beta, G) \tag{10}$$

leading to

$$0 \leq T^{***}(H_\beta, G_\alpha) \uparrow T^{***}(H, G). \tag{11}$$

Now it follows from (8) and (10) that

$$0 \leq T^{***}(G_\alpha, H_\beta) \wedge T^{***}(H_\beta, G_\alpha) \uparrow T^{***}(G_\alpha, H) \wedge T^{***}(H_\beta, G),$$

and so, by (7),

$$T^{***}(G_\alpha, H) \wedge T^{***}(H_\beta, G) = 0 \tag{12}$$

for all  $\alpha, \beta$ . On the other hand, from (9) and (11) we have

$$0 \leq T^{***}(G_\alpha, H) \wedge T^{***}(H_\beta, G) \uparrow T^{***}(G, H) \wedge T^{***}(H, G).$$

It follows from (12) that

$$T^{***}(G, H) \wedge T^{***}(H, G) = 0,$$

as required.  $\square$

As the Arens multiplications are separately order continuous and in a commutative algebra a pseudo-almost  $f$ -algebra and almost  $f$ -algebra coincide, we immediately obtain the following corollary.

- Corollary 5.** (1) *The order continuous bidual of a pseudo-almost  $f$ -algebra is a Dedekind complete (and hence Archimedean) pseudo-almost  $f$ -algebra.*  
 (2) *The order bidual of a commutative pseudo-almost  $f$ -algebra is a Dedekind complete pseudo-almost  $f$ -algebra.*

Another way of obtaining the result of Proposition 3 is by means of the approximation by components ([11]). First we observe some notations: Let  $A$  be a vector lattice and let  $a$  be a fixed element of  $A$ . If  $E := \{F \in (A')'_n : \exists \lambda > 0, |F| \leq \lambda \hat{a}\}$ -the ideal generated in  $(A')'_n$  by  $\hat{a}$ . Consider the Boolean algebra  $\mathcal{R}$  generated by the set of all band projections of  $E$  onto principal bands generated by positive elements of  $\hat{A}$  in  $E$ . If we denote the band projection onto the band generated in  $E$  by the element  $F \in E$  by  $P_F$ , then  $\mathcal{R}$  is generated by the set  $\mathcal{G} := \{P_{\hat{x}} : x \in A^+\}$ -the set of all band projections onto the principal ideals generated by elements  $\hat{x}$  with  $x \in A^+$ . Also,  $\mathcal{G}\hat{a} := \{P_{\hat{x}}\hat{a} : x \in A^+\}$ .

**Proposition 6.** *Let  $A, B$  be vector lattices and  $T : A \times A \rightarrow B$  be a positive almost orthosymmetric bilinear map. If  $x \in A^+$  and  $0 \leq G, H \in (A')'_n$  satisfy  $G, H \leq \widehat{x}$  and  $G \wedge H = 0$  (that is,  $G$  and  $H$  are two disjoint elements of the band  $I_{\widehat{A}} = \{F \in (A')'_n : |F| \leq \widehat{x} \text{ for some } x \in A^+\}$  generated by  $\widehat{A}$ , which is order dense in  $(A')'_n$ ), then  $T^{***}(G, H) \wedge T^{***}(H, G) = 0$ .*

*Proof.* It is sufficient to prove that  $T^{***}(P_G \widehat{x}, P_H \widehat{x}) \wedge T^{***}(P_H \widehat{x}, P_G \widehat{x}) = 0$  since  $0 \leq G \leq P_G \widehat{x}$  and  $0 \leq H \leq P_H \widehat{x}$ . (Note that, as band projections are positive,  $0 \leq G \wedge H = P_G G \wedge P_H H \leq P_G \widehat{x} \wedge P_H \widehat{x}$ , and so  $P_G \widehat{x} \wedge P_H \widehat{x} = 0$  implies  $G \wedge H = 0$ . Hence  $T^{***}(G, H) \wedge T^{***}(H, G) \leq T^{***}(P_G \widehat{x}, P_H \widehat{x}) \wedge T^{***}(P_H \widehat{x}, P_G \widehat{x})$  by the positivity of  $T^{***}$ .) But, to do this, it is sufficient to prove that  $T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, F) \wedge T^{***}(F, \widehat{x} - F) = 0$  for any component  $F$  of  $\widehat{x}$ ; that is,  $\widehat{x} - F \wedge F = 0$ .

The proof of this is in four steps, as follows.

*Step 1.* Let  $F \in \mathcal{G}\widehat{a}$ , say  $F = P_{\widehat{a}} \widehat{x} = \sup_n (n\widehat{a} \wedge \widehat{x})$ . Then it follows from

$$\widehat{x} - F = \widehat{x} - \sup_n (n\widehat{a} \wedge \widehat{x}) = \inf_n (\widehat{x} - n\widehat{a} \wedge \widehat{x}) = \inf_n (\widehat{x} - n\widehat{a})^+$$

and that for each fixed  $n$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, (n\widehat{a} - \widehat{x})^+) \wedge T^{***}((n\widehat{a} - \widehat{x})^+, \widehat{x} - F) \\ &\leq T^{***}((\widehat{x} - n\widehat{a})^+, (n\widehat{a} - \widehat{x})^+) \wedge T^{***}((\widehat{x} - n\widehat{a})^+, (n\widehat{a} - \widehat{x})^+) \\ &= T((x - n\widehat{a})^+, (n\widehat{a} - x)^+) \wedge T((x - n\widehat{a})^+, (n\widehat{a} - x)^+) \\ &= T((x - n\widehat{a})^+, (n\widehat{a} - x)^+) \wedge \widehat{T}((x - n\widehat{a})^+, (n\widehat{a} - x)^+) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

as  $(x - n\widehat{a})^+ \wedge (n\widehat{a} - x)^+ = 0$  and  $T$  is almost orthosymmetric (where we use the fact that  $T^{***}(\widehat{a}, \widehat{b}) = \widehat{T}(a, b)$  for all  $a, b \in A$ ). Hence

$$T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, (n\widehat{a} - \widehat{x})^+) \wedge T^{***}((n\widehat{a} - \widehat{x})^+, \widehat{x} - F) = 0,$$

and so

$$n(T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, (n\widehat{a} - \widehat{x})^+) \wedge T^{***}((n\widehat{a} - \widehat{x})^+, \widehat{x} - F)) = 0.$$

This implies that for each  $n$

$$T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, (\widehat{a} - \frac{1}{n}\widehat{x}))^+ \wedge T^{***}((\widehat{a} - \frac{1}{n}\widehat{x})^+, \widehat{x} - F) = 0.$$

Therefore

$$T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, \widehat{a}) \wedge T^{***}(\widehat{a}, \widehat{x} - F) = 0, \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

It follows that for each  $n$

$$n(T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, \widehat{a}) \wedge T^{***}(\widehat{a}, \widehat{x} - F)) = 0; \quad \text{i.e., } T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, n\widehat{a}) \wedge T^{***}(n\widehat{a}, \widehat{x} - F) = 0.$$

Hence,

$$0 \leq T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, n\widehat{a} \wedge \widehat{x}) \wedge T^{***}(n\widehat{a} \wedge \widehat{x}, \widehat{x} - F) \leq T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, n\widehat{a}) \wedge T^{***}(n\widehat{a}, \widehat{x} - F) = 0;$$

$$\text{i.e., } T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, n\widehat{a} \wedge \widehat{x}) \wedge T^{***}(n\widehat{a} \wedge \widehat{x}, \widehat{x} - F) = 0.$$

Since this holds for each  $n$ , we get

$$\sup_n (T^{***}(\hat{x} - F, n\hat{a} \wedge \hat{x}) \wedge T^{***}(n\hat{a} \wedge \hat{x}, \hat{x} - F)) = 0,$$

which leads that, by the separately order continuity of  $T^{***}$  (since  $T$  is positive,  $T$  is of order bounded variation, and so  $T^{***}$  is separately order continuous (see e.g. Theorem 2.1 in [7])),

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq T^{***}(\hat{x} - F, F) \wedge T^{***}(F, \hat{x} - F) \\ &= T^{***}(\hat{x} - F, \sup_n(n\hat{a} \wedge \hat{x})) \wedge T^{***}(\sup_n(n\hat{a} \wedge \hat{x}), \hat{x} - F) \\ &= \sup_n(T^{***}(\hat{x} - F, n\hat{a} \wedge \hat{x})) \wedge \sup_n(T^{***}((n\hat{a} \wedge \hat{x}), \hat{x} - F)) \\ &= \sup_n(T^{***}(\hat{x} - F, n\hat{a} \wedge \hat{x}) \wedge T^{***}((n\hat{a} \wedge \hat{x}), \hat{x} - F)) \\ &= 0; \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{i.e., } T^{***}(\hat{x} - F, F) \wedge T^{***}(F, \hat{x} - F) = 0.$$

*Step 2.* Let  $F = \bigwedge_{i=1}^m F_i$  where either  $F_i \in \mathcal{G}\hat{a}$  or  $\hat{x} - F_i \in \mathcal{G}\hat{a}$ . Then

$$\hat{x} - F = \bigvee_{i=1}^m (\hat{x} - F_i),$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq T^{***}(\hat{x} - F, F) \wedge T^{***}(F, \hat{x} - F) \\ &= T^{***}\left(\bigvee_{i=1}^m (\hat{x} - F_i), \bigwedge_{i=1}^m F_i\right) \wedge T^{***}\left(\bigwedge_{i=1}^m F_i, \bigvee_{i=1}^m (\hat{x} - F_i)\right) \\ &\leq T^{***}\left(\sum_{i=1}^m (\hat{x} - F_i), F_i\right) \wedge T^{***}\left(F_i, \sum_{i=1}^m (\hat{x} - F_i)\right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m T^{***}((\hat{x} - F_i), F_i) \wedge \sum_{i=1}^m T^{***}(F_i, \hat{x} - F_i) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^m (T^{***}((\hat{x} - F_i), F_i) \wedge T^{***}(F_i, \hat{x} - F_i)) \\ &= 0 \quad (\text{by Step 1}); \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{i.e., } T^{***}(\hat{x} - F, F) \wedge T^{***}(F, \hat{x} - F) = 0.$$

*Step 3.* Let  $F = \bigvee_{i=1}^n F_i$  where each  $F_i$  is of the form  $F$  had in Step 1 (that is,  $F_i = \bigwedge_{j=1}^m F_{ij}, \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , and so  $F = \bigvee_{i=1}^n \bigwedge_{j=1}^m F_{ij}$ ). Then, in the same way as Step 2,

$$\hat{x} - F = \bigwedge_{i=1}^m (\hat{x} - F_i),$$



and so

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &\leq T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, F) \wedge T^{***}(F, \widehat{x} - F) \\
&= T^{***}\left(\bigwedge_{i=1}^m (\widehat{x} - F_i), \bigvee_{i=1}^m F_i\right) \wedge T^{***}\left(\widehat{x} - F_i, \bigvee_{i=1}^m F_i\right) \\
&\leq T^{***}\left(\widehat{x} - F_i, \bigvee_{i=1}^m F_i\right) \wedge T^{***}\left(\widehat{x} - F_i, \bigvee_{i=1}^m F_i\right) \\
&\leq T^{***}\left(\widehat{x} - F_i, \sum_{i=1}^m F_i\right) \wedge T^{***}\left(\sum_{i=1}^m F_i, \widehat{x} - F_i\right) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^m (T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F_i, F_i)) \wedge \sum_{i=1}^m (T^{***}(F_i, \widehat{x} - F_i)) \\
&\leq \sum_{i=1}^m (T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F_i, F_i) \wedge T^{***}(F_i, \widehat{x} - F_i)) \\
&= 0 \quad (\text{by Step 2});
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{i.e., } T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, F) \wedge T^{***}(F, \widehat{x} - F) = 0.$$

*Step 4.* Let  $F \in \mathcal{R}\widehat{x}$ . If  $F = \sup_{\alpha} F_{\alpha}$  or  $F = \inf_{\alpha} F_{\alpha}$  with each  $F_{\alpha}$  is a component of  $\widehat{x}$  (that is,  $(\widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}) \wedge F_{\alpha} = 0$  for each  $\alpha$ ) having the property that

$$T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}, F_{\alpha}) \wedge T^{***}(F_{\alpha}, \widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}) = 0,$$

then using the separately order continuity of  $T^{***}$  we show that  $F$  has the same property;

$$\text{i.e., } T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, F) \wedge T^{***}(F, \widehat{x} - F) = 0.$$

Indeed, suppose that  $F = \sup_{\alpha} F_{\alpha}$ . For each fixed  $\alpha$  and for all  $\beta \geq \alpha$  we have  $F_{\beta} \geq F_{\alpha}$ , and so  $\widehat{x} - F_{\beta} \leq \widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}$ . Hence, by the positivity of  $T^{***}$  and the hypothesis,

$$0 \leq T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F_{\beta}, F_{\alpha}) \wedge T^{***}(F_{\alpha}, \widehat{x} - F_{\beta}) \leq T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}, F_{\alpha}) \wedge T^{***}(F_{\alpha}, \widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}) = 0;$$

$$\text{i.e., } T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F_{\beta}, F_{\alpha}) \wedge T^{***}(F_{\alpha}, \widehat{x} - F_{\beta}) = 0 \quad \forall \beta \geq \alpha.$$

Therefore

$$\inf_{\beta \geq \alpha} (T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F_{\beta}, F_{\alpha}) \wedge T^{***}(F_{\alpha}, \widehat{x} - F_{\beta})) = 0,$$

and so, by the order continuity of lattice operations ( $x_{\tau} \downarrow x$  and  $y_{\tau} \downarrow y$  implies  $x_{\tau} \wedge y_{\tau} \downarrow x \wedge y$ ),

$$\inf_{\beta \geq \alpha} T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F_{\beta}, F_{\alpha}) \wedge \inf_{\beta \geq \alpha} T^{***}(F_{\alpha}, \widehat{x} - F_{\beta}) = 0.$$

Since  $T^{***}$  is a separately order continuous,

$$T^{***}\left(\inf_{\beta \geq \alpha} (\widehat{x} - F_{\beta}), F_{\alpha}\right) \wedge T^{***}\left(F_{\alpha}, \inf_{\beta \geq \alpha} (\widehat{x} - F_{\beta})\right) = 0;$$

$$\text{i.e., } T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, F_{\alpha}) \wedge T^{***}(F_{\alpha}, \widehat{x} - F) = 0.$$

Since this holds for all  $\alpha$ ,

$$\sup_{\alpha} (T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, F_{\alpha}) \wedge T^{***}(F_{\alpha}, \widehat{x} - F)) = 0,$$

from which it follows that

$$T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, F) \wedge T^{***}(F, \widehat{x} - F) = 0,$$

by the order continuity of lattice operations (if  $x_{\tau} \uparrow x$  and  $y_{\tau} \uparrow y$ , then  $x_{\tau} \wedge y_{\tau} \uparrow x \wedge y$ ), as above.

In exactly the same way above we now show that if  $F = \inf_{\alpha} F_{\alpha}$  such that  $(\widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}) \wedge F_{\alpha} = 0$  and  $T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}, F_{\alpha}) \wedge T^{***}(F_{\alpha}, \widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}) = 0$  for each  $\alpha$ , then

$$T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, F) \wedge T^{***}(F, \widehat{x} - F) = 0.$$

Let  $\alpha$  be fixed. Then we have  $F_{\beta} \leq F_{\alpha}$  for all  $\beta \geq \alpha$ . Hence, by the positivity of  $T^{***}$  and the hypothesis,

$$0 \leq T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}, F_{\beta}) \wedge T^{***}(F_{\beta}, \widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}) \leq T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}, F_{\alpha}) \wedge T^{***}(F_{\alpha}, \widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}) = 0;$$

$$\text{i.e., } T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}, F_{\beta}) \wedge T^{***}(F_{\beta}, \widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}) = 0, \quad \forall \beta \geq \alpha.$$

Therefore

$$\inf_{\beta \geq \alpha} (T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}, F_{\beta}) \wedge T^{***}(F_{\beta}, \widehat{x} - F_{\alpha})) = 0,$$

and so,

$$\inf_{\beta \geq \alpha} T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}, F_{\beta}) \wedge \inf_{\beta \geq \alpha} T^{***}(F_{\beta}, \widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}) = 0.$$

Since  $T^{***}$  is a separately order continuous,

$$T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}, \inf_{\beta \geq \alpha} F_{\beta}) \wedge T^{***}(\inf_{\beta \geq \alpha} F_{\beta}, \widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}) = 0.$$

$$\text{i.e., } T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}, F) \wedge T^{***}(F, \widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}) = 0.$$

Since this holds for all  $\alpha$ , we get

$$\sup_{\alpha} (T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F_{\alpha}, F) \wedge T^{***}(F, \widehat{x} - F_{\alpha})) = 0.$$

Therefore

$$T^{***}(\widehat{x} - F, F) \wedge T^{***}(F, \widehat{x} - F) = 0,$$

from which the result follows.  $\square$

We conclude our work with the following important remark for further research.

**Remark.** The triadjoints on the whole order biduals is still an open problem. One has to obtain a way to handle the singular parts of order biduals, as the cases of orthosymmetric bilinear maps and bi-orthomorphisms [15], in order to prove that the triadjoint  $T^{***} : A'' \times A'' \rightarrow B''$  of an almost orthosymmetric bilinear map  $T : A \times A \rightarrow B$  is an almost orthosymmetric bilinear map.

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