

QUANTUM LOGICS WITH
CLASSICALLY DETERMINED STATES

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1. Preliminaries. The standard notions on quantum logics we deal with in this paper are taken from [4] and [11]. Let us briefly recall the basic ones. By a *quantum logic* we mean a triple $(L, \leq, ')$, where L is a set partially ordered by \leq and $'$ is an orthocomplementation relation on L , such that the following properties are satisfied:

- (i) a least and a greatest element, 0 and 1, exist in L ,
- (ii) if $a \leq b$, then $b' \leq a'$, and $a = a''$ ($a, b \in L$),
- (iii) $a \vee a' = 1$, $a \wedge a' = 0$ ($a \in L$),
- (iv) if $a \leq b$, then $b = a \vee (b \wedge a')$ (the orthomodular law).

By a *state* on L we mean a probability measure on L . Thus, a mapping $s : L \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a state on L if

- (i) $s(1) = 1$,
- (ii) $s(a \vee b) = s(a) + s(b)$ provided $a \leq b'$ ($a, b \in L$).

Let us denote by $\mathcal{S}(L)$ the set of all states on L . By a standard argument, $\mathcal{S}(L)$ is a convex subset of the topological linear space \mathbb{R}^L , and moreover, $\mathcal{S}(L)$ is compact with respect to the topology of \mathbb{R}^L (in other words, $\mathcal{S}(L)$ is compact in the pointwise topology). Notice that $\mathcal{S}(L)$ may be quite poor or even empty (see [3]).

Let us now introduce the main notion of this paper. We say that L is *state-classically-determined* (abbr.: L is SCD) if there is a Boolean subalgebra B of L such that, for any state $s \in \mathcal{S}(L)$, if $a \in L$ then there is $b \in B$ with $b \leq a$ so that $s(a) = s(b)$. We are interested in the ques-

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tion of when the SCD logics must be classical. Obviously, the character of the problem changes when we pass from the finitely additive setup to the σ -additive setup or completely additive setup of the problem. It should be noted that the SCD logics may also be relevant to certain considerations of noncommutative measure theory (see [5]).

Prior to presenting our results, let us recall the notion of concrete logic (see [10]). This notion will play a prominent rôle in the sequel. A quantum logic is called *concrete* (alias *set-representable*) if L is isomorphic (in the natural sense based on the quantum logic morphism) to a collection of subsets of a set. Thus, equivalently, the triple $L = (\Delta, \leq, ')$, where Δ is a collection of subsets of a set S with \leq meaning the set inclusion and $'$ meaning the set complement, is a concrete logic if the following three conditions are satisfied:

- (i) $\emptyset \in \Delta$,
- (ii) if $A \in \Delta$, then $S - A \in \Delta$,
- (iii) if $A, B \in \Delta$ and $A \cap B = \emptyset$, then $A \cup B \in \Delta$.

We sometimes write $L = (S, \Delta)$ (instead of $L = \Delta$) when we need to refer to the underlying set S . Observe that a concrete logic is a Boolean algebra if and only if it is closed under the formation of intersections (i.e., if $L = \Delta$ then L is Boolean if and only if $A \cap B \in \Delta$ for any pair $A, B \in \Delta$).

2. Results. Let us first consider the “finitely additive” SCD logics. Thus, the definitions of the previous section apply without changes. Let L be a logic. If the state space $\mathcal{S}(L)$ is empty (see [3]), then L is SCD by definition. Continuing in this vein, it can be seen that there are logics with exactly one state which are SCD. Indeed, if L is stateless, then the logic $L \times \{0, 1\}$ is such an example (see [9]). Obviously, we would rather be interested in logics which have a fairly large set of states. Let us say that L *has enough states* if the following condition is satisfied: If $a \not\leq b$ in L , then there is a state $s \in \mathcal{S}(L)$ such that $s(a) = 1$ and $s(b) < 1$. Naturally, if L is a Boolean algebra, then L has enough states. The result we want to prove first says that the converse is true for the SCD logics. (Surprisingly, a one-line proof does not seem to be available—we were expecting to use the compactness of the state space plus fairly nontrivial intrinsic properties of logics.)

THEOREM 1. *Let L be a quantum logic and let L have enough states. If L is SCD, then L is Boolean.*

Proof. Let us first make two observations. The first relates the class of logics we are interested in to the Jauch–Piron property for states (see [10], [2], [11], etc., for discussions of this property relevant to the foundation of quantum mechanics).

OBSERVATION 1. *Under the assumptions of Theorem 1, there is a Boolean subalgebra B of L so that the following strong form of Jauch–Piron property is satisfied: If $s(a) = s(b) = 1$ ($a, b \in L$, $s \in \mathcal{S}(L)$), then there is an element $c \in B$ with $c \leq a$, $c \leq b$ such that $s(c) = 1$.*

Indeed, there are elements $e, f \in B$ such that $e \leq a, f \leq b$ and $s(e) = s(f) = 1$. Since both e, f belong to B , we easily see that $s(e \wedge f) = 1$. Thus, setting $c = e \wedge f$, we obtain $s(c) = 1$.

OBSERVATION 2. *Under the assumptions of Theorem 1, L is a concrete logic.*

Indeed, all we have to show is that the following implication holds true: If $a \wedge b = 0$ in L ($a, b \in L$), then $a \leq b'$. It is known (see [8]) that then L must have enough two-valued states, and this easily implies (see e.g. [14]) that L is concrete.

Suppose that $a \not\leq b'$. Then there is a state $s \in \mathcal{S}(L)$ such that $s(a) = 1$ and $s(b') < 1$. Equivalently, there is a state $s \in \mathcal{S}(L)$ such that $s(a) = 1$ and $s(b) > 0$. Since L is SCD, there is a Boolean subalgebra B of L and elements $c, d \in B$ so that $c \leq a, d \leq b$ and $s(a) = s(c)$ and $s(d) = s(b)$. If we set $e = c \wedge d$, then $s(e) = s(b) > 0$. It follows that $e \neq 0$. Since $e \leq a, e \leq b$, we see that $a \wedge b$ either does not exist or is distinct from 0. Thus, $a \wedge b \neq 0$ and this is what we were to show.

Let us take up the proof of Theorem 1. We may assume that L is concrete (Observation 2). Thus, $P = \Delta$, where $\Delta \subset \exp S$. Write $B = \tilde{\Delta}$ for the Boolean subalgebra of Δ guaranteed by the assumptions of Theorem 1 ($\tilde{\Delta} \subset \exp S$). Take two elements of Δ , some sets A and B , and consider $A \cap B$. We want to show that $A \cap B \in \Delta$. Put $\mathcal{S}_{A,B} = \{s \in \mathcal{S}(\Delta) \mid s(A) = s(B) = 1\}$. Then $\mathcal{S}_{A,B}$ is a closed subset of $\mathcal{S}(\Delta)$ and therefore $\mathcal{S}_{A,B}$ is compact. Further, put $\mathcal{C} = \{C \in \tilde{\Delta} \mid C \subset A \cap B\}$ and let, for any $C \in \mathcal{C}$, $\mathcal{S}_C = \{s \in \mathcal{S}_{A,B} \mid s(C) > 0\}$. Then the set $\{\mathcal{S}_C \mid C \in \mathcal{C}\}$ forms an open covering of $\mathcal{S}_{A,B}$ (one makes use of Observation 1). Since $\mathcal{S}_{A,B}$ is compact, we see that there is a finite subcollection of \mathcal{C} , some sets C_1, \dots, C_n , such that $\mathcal{S}_{A,B} = \bigcup_{i \leq n} \mathcal{S}_{C_i}$. It remains to be shown that $\bigcup_{i \leq n} C_i = A \cap B$. This will suffice, for $\bigcup_{i \leq n} C_i$ belongs to $\tilde{\Delta}$ and therefore to Δ . Suppose on the contrary that $\bigcup_{i \leq n} C_i \neq A \cap B$. Then there is a point $p \in S$ such that $p \in (A \cap B) - \bigcup_{i \leq n} C_i$. Consider now the (two-valued) state $s_p \in \mathcal{S}(\Delta)$ concentrated in p . Thus, $s_p(D) = 1$ if and only if $p \in D$. It follows that $s_p \in \mathcal{S}_{A,B}$ and therefore $s_p \notin \bigcup_{i \leq n} \mathcal{S}_{C_i}$. This is a contradiction. The proof of Theorem 1 is complete.

Note that, in view of the above result, there are concrete Jauch–Piron logics which are not SCD. Indeed, there exist non-Boolean concrete Jauch–Piron logics (see [7]).

Let us now pass to the σ -additive setup of our question. For the σ -additive (σ -complete) setup we translate the notions we deal with into the language of σ -complete logics. Thus,

- (i) a σ -complete logic is a logic L which is closed under the formation of suprema of countable families of mutually orthogonal elements in L ,
- (ii) a σ -additive state on L is defined in the standard way,
- (iii) the symbol $\mathcal{S}_\sigma(L)$ denotes the set of all σ -additive states on L .

A *state-classically-determined* logic (an SCD_σ logic) will now mean a σ -complete logic L which has a Boolean σ -algebra B as its sublogic such that, for any $s \in \mathcal{S}_\sigma(L)$ and any $a \in L$, there is $b \in B$ with $b \leq a$ so that $s(a) = s(b)$. Apart from the examples of SCD_σ logics with extremally poor state spaces, every Boolean σ -algebra is an SCD_σ logic. We are going to show that there are many others, in particular, that there are many non-Boolean concrete ones.

Let us first recall a few notions and make some conventions. A mapping $f : L_1 \rightarrow L_2$ between two (σ -complete) logics is called a *morphism* if

- (i) $f(1) = 1$,
- (ii) $f(a') = f(a)'$ ($a \in L_1$), and
- (iii) $f(\bigvee_{i \in \mathbb{N}} a_i) = \bigvee_{i \in \mathbb{N}} f(a_i)$ provided $a_i \leq a'_j$, $i \neq j$.

A morphism $f : L_1 \rightarrow L_2$ is called an *embedding* if f is injective and the inequality $f(a) \leq f(b)'$ implies $a \leq b'$ ($a, b \in L$). If $f : L_1 \rightarrow L_2$ is an embedding then L_1 is called a *sublogic* of L_2 . (Obviously, if L_1 is a sublogic of L_2 and L_1 is not Boolean, then L_2 is not Boolean either.)

Our main result in this section says that every concrete (σ -complete) logic L_1 which is not “very big” is a sublogic of a concrete SCD_σ σ -complete logic L_2 . In proving the result, we use some technique of [2] and [6]. We make the following convention. Let \aleph_0 be the countable cardinal and let \aleph_{n+1} be the successor cardinal of \aleph_n . Put $\alpha = \sup\{\aleph_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$. Let S be a set. We say that S is *not very large* if the cardinality of S , written $\text{card } S$, is less than α . (It seems plausible that the logics encountered in applications to quantum theories are not very large. The important technical aspect of the notion is that if S is not very large and if $\exp S$ means the σ -algebra of all subsets of S , then every σ -additive probability measure on $\exp S$ must live on a countable subset of S ; see e.g. [13].)

THEOREM 2. *Suppose that $L_1 = (S, \Delta_1)$ is a concrete σ -complete logic and suppose that S is not very large. Then L_1 can be embedded into a concrete σ -complete SCD_σ logic $L_2 = (W, \Delta_2)$ so that W is not very large. Hence, in particular, there exist concrete non-Boolean σ -complete SCD_σ logics.*

PROOF. Since S is not very large, the set S is either finite or $\text{card } S = \aleph_n$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Choose a set T as follows: If $\text{card } S$ is finite, we take T so that $\text{card } T = \aleph_1$, and if $\text{card } S = \aleph_n$, we take T so that $\text{card } T = \aleph_{n+1}$. Put $W = T \times S$. Then W is not very large. Define a collection $\Delta_2 \subset \exp W$ by the following requirement: $A \in \Delta_2$ if and only if

$$\text{card}(T - \{t \in T \mid (\{t\} \times S) \cap A = \{t\} \times U \text{ for some } U \in \Delta_1\}) \leq \chi_0.$$

Let us verify that Δ_2 is a σ -complete logic. Obviously, $\emptyset \in \Delta_2$. Further, since Δ_1 is closed under the formation of complements, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{card}(T - \{t \in T \mid (\{t\} \times S) \cap A = \{t\} \times U \text{ for some } U \in \Delta_1\}) \\ &= \text{card}(T - \{t \in T \mid (\{t\} \times S) \cap (W - A) = \{t\} \times U \text{ for some } U \in \Delta_1\}). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that if $A \in \Delta_2$ then $W - A \in \Delta_2$. Now we assume that $\{A_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a collection of mutually disjoint elements of Δ_2 . Put $A = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{card}(T - \{t \in T \mid (\{t\} \times S) \cap A = \{t\} \times U \text{ for some } U \in \Delta_1\}) \\ & \leq \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{card}(T - \{t \in T \mid (\{t\} \times S) \cap A_n = \{t\} \times U \text{ for some } U \in \Delta_1\}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, if every A_n belongs to Δ_2 , then so does $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n$. We have checked that Δ_2 is a σ -complete logic.

We now assert that Δ_1 is a sublogic of Δ_2 . Indeed, if we define the mapping $e : \Delta_1 \rightarrow \Delta_2$ by setting $e(C) = T \times C$ ($C \in \Delta_1$), we immediately see that e is an embedding. Thus, Δ_1 is a sublogic of Δ_2 .

Finally, we want to show that Δ_2 is SCD_σ . Consider first the Boolean σ -algebra $\tilde{B} = (W, \tilde{\Sigma})$, where $\tilde{\Sigma} = \{V \times S \mid V \subset T\}$. Since, for any $A \in \tilde{\Sigma}$, we have

$$T - \{t \in T \mid (\{t\} \times S) \cap A = \{t\} \times U \text{ for some } U \in \Delta_1\} = \emptyset,$$

we infer that $\tilde{\Sigma}$ is a sublogic of Δ_2 . Moreover, $\tilde{\Sigma}$ is isomorphic (as a Boolean σ -algebra) to the σ -algebra $\exp T$. Further, consider the Boolean σ -algebra $\tilde{\tilde{B}} = (W, \tilde{\tilde{\Sigma}})$, where $\tilde{\tilde{\Sigma}}$ is generated by all sets of the form $\{t\} \times X$ ($t \in T$, $X \subset S$). Obviously, for any $A \in \tilde{\tilde{\Sigma}}$ we have

$$\text{card}(T - \{t \in T \mid (\{t\} \times S) \cap A = \{t\} \times U\}) \leq \chi_0.$$

Thus, $\tilde{\tilde{\Sigma}}$ is a sublogic of Δ_2 . Finally, let $B = (W, \Sigma)$ be the Boolean σ -algebra generated by $\tilde{\Sigma} \cup \tilde{\tilde{\Sigma}}$. We shall show that for any state $s \in \mathcal{S}(\Delta_2)$ and any $A \in \Delta_2$ there is a set $D \in \Sigma$ such that $D \subset A$ and $s(D) = s(A)$.

We first claim that there is a countable subset P of W so that $s(P) = 1$. Indeed, since $\tilde{\Sigma}$ is a sublogic of Δ_2 , we may view s as a state on $\tilde{\Sigma}$. But $\tilde{\Sigma} = \exp T$ and T is not very large. By [13], s must be concentrated on

a countable set. Thus, there is a countable set K with $K \subset T$ such that $s(K \times S) = 1$. But Σ contains all subsets of $K \times S$ and therefore s can be also viewed as a state on $\exp(K \times S)$. It follows that s must be concentrated on a countable set and therefore there is a countable subset P of $K \times S$ such that $s(P) = 1$.

The rest is easy. Given $A \in \Delta_2$, we easily see that if we put $D = P \cap A$, we have $D \subset A$ and $s(D) = s(A)$. The proof is complete.

It may be worth noting that we have proved slightly more in Theorem 2: the desired Boolean sublogic B was in fact a sublogic of the centre of the logic constructed (i.e., B consisted of absolutely compatible elements of Δ_2 ; see e.g. [10]). Thus, for the σ -complete case the notion is meaningful within “nonclassical logics” even in its stronger central form.

Let us briefly consider the stability properties of the class of σ -complete SCD_σ logics. It turns out that this class is fairly large, including both concrete and nonconcrete logics (as is known, Boolean σ -algebras are often nonconcrete; see e.g. [12]).

PROPOSITION 3. (i) *Suppose that L_2 is an epimorphic image of L_1 and L_1 is SCD_σ . Then so is L_2 .*

(ii) *Let $\{L_\alpha \mid \alpha \in I\}$ be a collection of logics. Let L_α be SCD_σ for any $\alpha \in I$ and let I be not very big. Then the direct product $\prod_{\alpha \in I} L_\alpha$ is an SCD_σ logic. Hence, in particular, a countable product of SCD_σ logics is an SCD_σ logic.*

Proof. (i) Suppose that $f : L_1 \rightarrow L_2$ is a logic epimorphism. Let s_2 be a state on L_2 . Then the composite mapping $s_1 = s_2 \cdot f$ is a state on L_1 and therefore there is a Boolean σ -algebra B_1 of L so that, for any $a \in L_1$, $s_1(a) = s_1(b)$ for some $b \in B_1$ with $b \leq a$. Since a logic morphism maps Boolean sublogics into Boolean sublogics (see e.g. [10]), the set $B_2 = f(B_1)$ is a Boolean sublogic of L_2 . Suppose that $c_2 \in L_2$. Choose an arbitrary $c_1 \in L$ such that $f(c_1) = c_2$. Then there is an element $d_1 \in L$ with $d_1 \in B_1$, $d_1 \leq c_1$ so that $s_1(d_1) = s_1(c_1)$. Put $d_2 = f(d_1)$. Then $d_2 \leq c_2$ and $s_2(d_2) = s(f(d_1)) = s_1(d_1) = s_1(c_1) = s_2(f(c_1)) = s_2(c_2)$.

(ii) Let $L = \prod_{\alpha \in I} L_\alpha$ and let B_α ($\alpha \in I$) be the Boolean sublogic of L_α which makes L_α an SCD_σ logic. Let $B = \prod_{\alpha \in I} B_\alpha$ and let $s \in \mathcal{S}(L)$. Since I is not very large, we can show easily that there is a countable subset J of I and states $s_j \in \mathcal{S}(L)$ such that, for a partition of unity $\sum_{j \in J} \alpha_j = 1$, we can write $s = \sum_{j \in J} \alpha_j \cdot \tilde{s}_j$, where $\tilde{s}_j \in \mathcal{S}(L)$ are states defined so that $\tilde{s}_j(a) = \tilde{s}_j(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_j, \dots) = s_j(a_j)$. With the help of the Boolean σ -algebra B , it is easy to show by “coordinate-wise reasoning” that for any $a \in L$ there is $b \in B$ with $b \leq a$ such that $s(a) = s(b)$. This concludes the proof.

Let us finally consider the complete state-classically-determined logics (abbr.: SCD_{comp}). A logic L is said to be *complete* if every collection in L of orthogonal elements possesses a supremum in L . Upon the obvious translation of all notions into the complete setup, we can formulate the following result (by $\mathcal{S}_{\text{comp}}(L)$ we denote the set of all completely additive measures on L).

THEOREM 4. *Let L be a complete quantum logic. Let L have enough completely additive states and let L be SCD_{comp} . Then L is a complete Boolean algebra. (Hence, in particular, if a logic of projections in a von Neumann algebra \mathcal{A} is SCD_{comp} , then \mathcal{A} is commutative.)*

PROOF. Using the reasoning employed in Observation 2, we immediately see that L has to be concrete (with respect to finite operations!). Thus, $L = (\Omega, \Delta)$, where Δ is a concrete logic. Let $A, B \in \Delta$. We have to show that $A \cap B \in \Delta$. This is sufficient since a complete Boolean logic must obviously be a complete Boolean algebra.

Consider the set $A \cap B$. Suppose that $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$. Thus, $A \not\subseteq \Omega - B$. Put $\mathcal{S} = \{s \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{comp}}(\Delta) \mid s(A) = 1 \text{ and } s(B) > 0\}$. Since L has enough completely additive states and since L is SCD_{comp} , we easily see that $\mathcal{S} \neq \emptyset$. Write $\mathcal{S} = \{s_\alpha \mid \alpha < \beta \text{ for a cardinal number } \beta\}$. Thus, \mathcal{S} becomes well-ordered. Consider the state $s_1 \in \mathcal{S}$. Since L is SCD_{comp} , there is a set $C_1 \in \Delta$ such that $C_1 \subset A \cap B$ and $s_1(C_1) > 0$. It follows that $C_1 \neq \emptyset$. If $C_1 = A \cap B$, we are done. If $C_1 \neq A \cap B$, then there is a least index $\alpha_1 < \beta$ so that $s_{\alpha_1} \in \mathcal{S}$ and $s_{\alpha_1}(A - C_1) = 1$, $s_{\alpha_1}(B - C_1) > 0$. Since L is SCD_{comp} , there is a set C_{α_1} so that $s_{\alpha_1}(C_{\alpha_1}) > 0$ and $C_{\alpha_1} \subset (A - C_1) \cap (B - C_1)$. It follows that $C_{\alpha_1} \neq \emptyset$. Moreover, $C_1 \cap C_{\alpha_1} = \emptyset$ and $C_1 \cup C_{\alpha_1} \subset A \cap B$. In the next step we obtain $C_{\alpha_{\alpha_1}}$, etc. If we continue this way, taking the unions of the previously constructed sets C_γ for the limit cardinals, we obtain a disjoint covering $\{C_\delta \mid \delta \in I\}$ of $A \cap B$ consisting of sets belonging to Δ . Since Δ is complete, the supremum $\bigvee_{\delta \in I} C_\delta$ exists in Δ . But $\bigvee_{\delta \in I} C_\delta$ must be a subset of both A and B . Consequently, $\bigvee_{\delta \in I} C_\delta = A \cap B$ and therefore $A \cap B \in \Delta$. This completes the proof.

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