

AW^* -ALGEBRAS WITH MONOTONE CONVERGENCE PROPERTY AND EXAMPLES BY TAKENOUCI AND DYER

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In 1951, I. Kaplansky [6] introduced a class of C^* -algebras called AW^* -algebras to separate the discussion of the internal structure of a W^* -algebra (or von Neumann algebra) from the action of its elements on a Hilbert space and showed that much of the “non-spatial theory” of W^* -algebras can be extended to AW^* -algebras.

Every W^* -algebra is of course AW^* , however, the converse is not true as was shown by Dixmier [3] with an abelian example (the algebra of all bounded Baire functions on the real line modulo the set of first category is a non- W^* , AW^* -algebra). I. Kaplansky [7] proved that an AW^* -algebra of type I is a W^* -algebra if and only if its center is a W^* -algebra and conjectured that the theorem is true without the assumption of “type I”. In 1970, O. Takenouchi [12] and Dyer [2], independently, showed this to be false by counter examples (non- W^* , AW^* -factors). In 1976, J. D. Maitland Wright [16, 18] defined a *regular σ -completion* (some kind of Dedekind cut completion) of a separable C^* -algebra and proved that the regular σ -completion of an infinite dimensional simple separable C^* -algebra is a type III, non- W^* , σ -finite AW^* -factor with the monotone convergence property (see the definition below).

In this paper, the author will give a modification of a J. D. M. Wright’s theorem and using this, will show that the non- W^* , AW^* -factors given by Takenouchi and Dyer are σ -finite, type III AW^* -factors. The key point of the proof is, roughly speaking, to construct a faithful state on these factors. To do this, a J. D. Maitland Wright’s theorem plays an essential role. He states that the *pure state space* of the regular σ -completion $\widehat{C[0, 1]}$ (which is essentially the same as \mathfrak{A} in section 1) of the C^* -algebra $C[0, 1]$ of continuous complex functions on $[0, 1]$ is *separable* ([18, p. 85]).

The AW^* -factor given by Takenouchi is a “weakly closed” (in the sense of [13]) AW^* -subalgebra of type I AW^* -algebra $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{M})$ of all bounded module endomorphisms of some AW^* -module \mathfrak{M} over an abelian AW^* -algebra. The author believes that it is natural to represent AW^* -

algebras as “weakly closed” AW^* -subalgebra of some $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{M})$. The author then will show that the AW^* -factor constructed by Dyer can be represented faithfully as a “weakly closed” AW^* -subalgebra of some $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{M})$. Moreover, we shall remark that these factors are *monotone closed* (in the sense of [5]), simple and do not have any non-trivial separable representations.

1. AW^* -algebras with a monotone convergence property (M. C. P.). An AW^* -algebra M means that it is both a C^* -algebra and a Baer*-ring ([1], [6]). M has a *monotone convergence property* (M. C. P.) if for every increasing sequence $\{x_n\}$ of self-adjoint elements in M bounded above has the supremum x in the self-adjoint part of M (we simply denote $x_n \uparrow x$ or $\text{Sup}_n x_n = x$).

First of all, we shall show the following technical lemma.

LEMMA. *Let M be an AW^* -algebra with M. C. P. For every increasing sequence $\{e_n\}$ of projections in M , let $\mathbf{V}_{n=1}^{\infty} e_n$ be the supremum projection of $\{e_n\}$ in the projection of M . Then $\text{Sup}_n e_n = \mathbf{V}_{n=1}^{\infty} e_n$. Moreover, for any $a \in M$,*

$$\text{Sup}_n a^* e_n a = a^* \left(\mathbf{V}_{n=1}^{\infty} e_n \right) a .$$

PROOF. Put $b = \text{Sup}_n e_n$, then $0 \leq e_n \leq b \leq \mathbf{V}_{n=1}^{\infty} e_n$ in M for each n . Thus $e_n \leq \text{LP}(b) \leq \mathbf{V}_{n=1}^{\infty} e_n$ for all n and hence $\text{LP}(b) = \mathbf{V}_{n=1}^{\infty} e_n$ where $\text{LP}(b)$ is the left projection of b in M ([1, 6]). On the other hand, $e_n = b e_n$ for every n implies by [6, Lemma 2.2] that $\text{LP}(b) = b \text{LP}(b) = b$ and $\text{Sup}_n e_n = \mathbf{V}_{n=1}^{\infty} e_n$.

Now arguments used in [5] tells us that for any $a \in M$, $a^* e_n a \uparrow a^* (\mathbf{V}_{n=1}^{\infty} e_n) a$ in M . This completes the proof.

Using this, we have the following theorem which is a modification of a J. D. M. Wright's result ([17, Theorem 6]).

THEOREM 1. *Let M be an AW^* -factor with M. C. P. Suppose that M has a faithful state (not necessarily normal) ϕ and is semi-finite, then M is a σ -finite W^* -algebra. The assumption of semi-finiteness cannot be dropped.*

REMARK. Maitland Wright proved, without the assumption of M. C. P., however under the condition that M is *finite*, that the above proposition holds.

PROOF OF THEOREM 1. For any non-zero finite projection e (note that M is semi-finite), put $N = e M e$, then N is a finite AW^* -factor with the faithful

positive functional ψ where $\psi(exe) = \phi(exe)$ for $x \in M$. J. D. M. Wright's theorem [17, Theorem 6] tells us that N is a W^* -algebra, that is, there exists a faithful W^* -representation π_e of N on some Hilbert space $\mathfrak{H}\pi_e$ ($\pi_e(N)$ is a weakly closed $*$ -subalgebra with the identity of $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{H}\pi_e)$ (the algebra of all bounded linear operators on $\mathfrak{H}\pi_e$)). Next we shall show that for any $\xi \in \mathfrak{H}\pi_e$, the positive functional $\phi(e, \xi)$ on M (where $\phi(e, \xi)(x) = (\pi_e(exe)\xi, \xi)$, $x \in M$) is completely additive on projections. To prove this we have only to show that for any decreasing sequence $\{e_n\}$ of projections in M with $e_n \downarrow 0$, $\phi(e, \xi)(e_n) \downarrow 0$ ($n \rightarrow \infty$), because M is σ -finite (note that M has a faithful state). Let $\{e_n\}$ be any decreasing sequence of projections in M with $e_n \downarrow 0$, then by the above lemma, $\text{Inf}_n ee_n e = 0$ in the self-adjoint part of N . Since $\{\pi_e(ee_n e)\}$ is a decreasing sequence in the non-negative portion of $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{H}\pi_e)$, there is $A \in \mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{H}\pi_e)$ such that $\pi_e(ee_n e) \downarrow A$ (strongly). The strong closedness of $\pi_e(N)$ implies $A \in \pi_e(N)$. Hence there is $a \in N(a \geq 0)$ such that $A = \pi_e(a)$. The faithfulness of π_e implies that $a = 0$, that is, $\pi_e(ee_n e) \downarrow 0$ strongly. Thus $\phi(e, \xi)$ is completely additive on projections of M . The semi-finiteness of M tells us that $\{\phi(e, \xi); e \text{ is any non-zero finite projection, } \xi \in \mathfrak{H}\pi_e \text{ where } \pi_e \text{ is a faithful } W^*\text{-representation of } eMe\}$ is a separating family of positive functionals on M which are completely additive on projections of M . Hence by ([10], Theorem 5.2, see also [9]) M is a semi-finite W^* -algebra. Non W^* , AW^* -factors constructed by Takenouchi and Dyer have the M. C. P. and faithful states (see the next section), thus the assumption of semi-finiteness cannot be dropped. This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

REMARK. In the above proof, we suppose that M has the M. C. P., however, Theorem 1 still holds under a nominally weaker assumption such that for any increasing sequence $\{e_n\}$ of projections in M and for any projection e in M , $\text{Sup}_n ee_n e$ exists in the self-adjoint portion of M and $\text{Sup}_n ee_n e = e(\bigvee_{n=1}^{\infty} e_n)e$.

The above theorem implies that if non- W^* , AW^* -factor with M. C. P. has a faithful state, then it is of type III ([6, p. 241 Definition]).

In the rest of this section, we treat with examples of abelian AW^* -algebras with groups of $*$ -automorphisms of them which are needed in the later sections.

Let $B^\infty[0, 1)$ be the algebra of all bounded Baire functions on $[0, 1)$ and let \mathfrak{A} be the algebra $B^\infty[0, 1)$ modulo the set of first category. Then one can easily check that \mathfrak{A} is a non- W^* , abelian AW^* -algebra which is $*$ -isomorphic with the regular σ -completion of a separable abelian C^* -algebra ([2], [18], p. 86). J. D. Maitland Wright proved also that \mathfrak{A} has

a faithful state because the pure state space of \mathfrak{A} is separable [18, Proposition A, Corollary D].

Let G_θ (resp. G_0) be the group of translations on $[0, 1)$ by an irrational number $\theta \pmod{1}$ (resp. by all dyadic rationals in $[0, 1) \pmod{1}$). Denote for each $\sigma \in G_\theta$ (resp. G_0), $\sigma(t) = t + \sigma \pmod{1}$, $f^\sigma(t) = f(\sigma(t))$ for all $t \in [0, 1)$, $f \in B^\infty[0, 1)$ and $a^\sigma = \tilde{f}^\sigma$ where f belongs to a coset $a (a = \tilde{f})$, $f \in B^\infty[0, 1)$ for all $a \in \mathfrak{A}$. Then both G_θ and G_0 naturally induce groups of *-automorphisms ($a \rightarrow a^\sigma$ $a \in \mathfrak{A}$) of \mathfrak{A} (we denote them by the same notations G_θ and G_0 since any confusion does not occur). It is easy to check that G_θ and G_0 act freely and ergodically on \mathfrak{A} .

2. Types of the AW^* -factors constructed by Takenouchi. First, we shall sketch briefly the construction of AW^* -factors of [12]. Let Z be an abelian AW^* -algebra, G be an abelian group of *-automorphisms of Z with an action $a \rightarrow a^g$ ($a \in Z$, $g \in G$). One can construct a faithful AW^* -module ([8]) \mathfrak{M} over Z as follows: Let \mathfrak{M} be the set $l^2(G, Z)$ of all sequences $\{x_g\}$ of elements in Z with the indices $g \in G$ such that $\sum_{g \in G} x_g^* x_g$ is in Z (the supremum of the family of finite sums). Then \mathfrak{M} is a faithful AW^* -module over Z and the set $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{M})$ of all bounded module endomorphisms (we simply call them "operators") of \mathfrak{M} is a type I AW^* -algebra with center Z .

Define, for any $a \in Z$ and $h \in G$, the following types of "operators" on \mathfrak{M} :

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} L_a: \{x_g\} \rightarrow \{a^g x_g\} \\ U_h: \{x_g\} \rightarrow \{y_g\} \quad \text{where } y_g = x_{g-h} \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{for } \{x_g\} \in \mathfrak{M}.$$

Then one can easily show that $a \rightarrow L_a$ is a *-isomorphism of Z into $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{M})$ and $h \rightarrow U_h$ is a unitary representation of G into $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{M})$ such that $U_h^* L_a U_h = L_{a^h}$ for all $a \in Z$ and $h \in G$.

Next, for any $h \in G$, we introduce the following linear operator (note that this is not a module endomorphism of \mathfrak{M}) on \mathfrak{M} :

$$V_h: \{x_g\} \rightarrow \{y_g\} \quad \text{where } y_g = (x_{g+h})^{-h} \quad \text{for } \{x_g\} \in \mathfrak{M}.$$

For every "operator" on \mathfrak{M} has a matrix representation $A \sim \langle a_{g,h} \rangle$ where $a_{g,h} = (A u_h, u_g)$ ($g, h \in G$) (where $u_h = \{\delta_{g,h}\}$ ($h \in G$) and $\delta_{g,h}$ is the Kronecker's delta).

Let $M(Z, G) = \{A \in \mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{M}); A \sim \langle a_{g,h} \rangle \text{ where } a_{g,h} = (a_{g-h,e})^h \text{ for any pair } g, h \text{ in } G (e \text{ is a unit of } G)\}$, then $A \in M(Z, G)$ if and only if $A V_h = V_h A$ for all $h \in G$ and $M(Z, G)$ is an AW^* -subalgebra of $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{M})$ which contains all U_h and L_a , where an AW^* -subalgebra means that the structure of an AW^* -algebra of $M(Z, G)$ is compatible with that of $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{M})$ in the

sense of [1, 7].

Takenouchi showed under the condition that the action of G on Z is free and ergodic, $M(Z, G)$ is an AW^* -factor such that $\{L_a; a \in Z\} = \tilde{Z}$ is a maximal abelian $*$ -subalgebra (whose proof is analogous to that of Murray-von Neumann's) and gave an example of (Z, G) as (\mathfrak{A}, G_θ) in section 1. If $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ is a W^* -algebra, then \tilde{Z} ($*$ -isomorphic with \mathfrak{A}) is a W^* -algebra. This is a contradiction and hence $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ is a non- W^* , AW^* -factor.

The rest of this section is devoted to prove

THEOREM 2. $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ is a σ -finite, type III, non- W^* , AW^* -factor with M. C. P. (more precisely, $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ is "weakly closed" $*$ -subalgebra of $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{M})$ ($\mathfrak{M} = l^2(G_\theta, \mathfrak{A})$) in the sense of H. Widom [13], and that, it is monotone closed in the sense that in its self-adjoint part, every norm-bounded increasing net has a least upper bound).

PROOF. First of all, we shall show that $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ is "weakly closed" subalgebra of $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{M})$ where $\mathfrak{M} = l^2(G_\theta, \mathfrak{A})$ in the sense that for any net $\{A_\alpha\}$ in $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ such that $(A_\alpha \xi, \eta) \rightarrow (A \xi, \eta)$ (order convergence in \mathfrak{A}) [13], for some $A \in \mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{M})$, $A \in M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$. In fact, putting $A_\alpha \sim \langle a_{g,h}^\alpha \rangle$, $A \sim \langle a_{g,h} \rangle$, then $a_{g,h}^\alpha \rightarrow a_{g,h}$ (order convergence in \mathfrak{A}) for each pair g and h in G_θ . Thus $a_{g,h} = (a_{g-h,e})^h$ for $g, h \in G_\theta$ and $A \in M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$. In particular, $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ has M. C. P. In fact, let $\{A_n\}$ be an increasing sequence of self-adjoint elements of $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ bounded above by $B \in M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$, then $A_n \uparrow A$ "weakly" for some A (where A is the supremum of $\{A_n\}$ in the self-adjoint part of $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{M})$), in $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{M})$ ([13, Lemma 1.4]). It follows by the above argument that $A \in M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ and $A \leq B$ and hence $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ has M. C. P. By the same way, we can easily show that $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ is monotone closed.

Next, we shall show that $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ has a faithful positive projection map onto $\tilde{\mathfrak{A}} (= \{L_a, a \in \mathfrak{A}\})$. In fact, for any $A \in M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$, let $\Phi(A) = L_{a_{g,e}}$ where $A \sim \langle a_{g,h} \rangle$, then one can easily check that Φ is a positive projection map of $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ onto $\tilde{\mathfrak{A}}$. To prove the faithfulness of Φ , we argue as follows. For any $A \in M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ with $A \sim \langle a_{g,h} \rangle$, noting that, $(A^*A)_{g,e} = \sum_{g \in G} a_{g,e}^* a_{g,e}$, we have $\Phi(A^*A) = 0$ implies $a_{g,e} = 0$ for all $g \in G$ and hence $A = 0$ because $a_{g,h} = (a_{g-h,e})^h = 0$ for all $g, h \in G$.

Let ψ be a faithful state on \mathfrak{A} in section 1, and let $\phi = \psi \circ \Phi$, then ϕ is a faithful state on $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$. Assume that $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ is semi-finite, then by Theorem 1, $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ is a W^* -algebra, however this is a contradiction because $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ is non- W^* . Hence $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ is of type III. Since $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ has a faithful state ϕ , we can easily show that $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$ is σ -finite. This completes the proof.

3. Dyer's example. In this section, we shall sketch briefly the construction by Dyer [3] and then show that the Dyer's example is a σ -finite, non- W^* , type III AW^* -factor with M. C. P. Moreover we shall prove that it can be represented faithfully as $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_0)$ in section 2. Thus Dyer's factor is also monotone closed.

Let \mathfrak{H} be a Hilbert space with an orthonormal basis $\{e_x; 0 \leq x < 1, x: \text{ a real number}\}$. Every bounded linear operator A on \mathfrak{H} has a matrix representation $A_{x,y} = \langle Ae_y, e_x \rangle$ for x and $y \in [0, 1)$. Let \mathfrak{A}_1 (respectively \mathfrak{F}_1) denote the algebra of operators A such that $A_{x,y} = \delta_{x,y}f(x)$ for any x, y where $f \in B^\infty[0, 1)$ and $\delta_{x,y}$ is a Kronecker's delta (resp. $\{x; 0 \leq x < 1, f(x) \neq 0\}$ is contained in a set of 1st category in $[0, 1)$).

Let \mathfrak{A}_0 (resp. \mathfrak{F}_0) be the set of operators A on \mathfrak{H} with matrices $A_{x,y}$ with

(1) $A_{x,y} = 0$ except when $y - x = j2^{-k}$ for some $k \geq 1$ and $-2^k < j < 2^k$ (integer).

(2) For $k \geq 1$ and $0 \leq i, j < 2^k$, the function defined for $x \in [0, 1)$ by $f(x) = A_{2^{-k}(i+x), 2^{-k}(j+x)}$ is a bounded Baire function (resp. $\{x; 0 \leq x < 1, f(x) \neq 0\}$ is contained in a set of 1st category in $[0, 1)$).

Dyer [3] proved that \mathfrak{A}_0 (resp. \mathfrak{A}_1) is a C^* -algebra with a closed two-sided ideal \mathfrak{F}_0 (resp. \mathfrak{F}_1) and the quotient algebra $\mathfrak{A}_0/\mathfrak{F}_0$ is a non- W^* , AW^* -factor of which $\mathfrak{A}_1/\mathfrak{F}_1$ is a maximal abelian $*$ -subalgebra (note that $\mathfrak{A}_1/\mathfrak{F}_1$ is $*$ -isomorphic with \mathfrak{A} in section 2).

By the above construction, a straightforward verification tells us that \mathfrak{A}_0 has M. C. P. and \mathfrak{F}_0 is a σ -ideal in the sense that for every increasing sequence $\{A_n\}$ of self-adjoint elements in \mathfrak{F}_0 which converges strongly to some operator $A, A \in \mathfrak{F}_0$. Now by the arguments of J. D. M. Wright [15] it follows that $\mathfrak{A}_0/\mathfrak{F}_0$ has M. C. P. Moreover, $\mathfrak{A}_0/\mathfrak{F}_0$ has a faithful positive projection \mathcal{P} onto $\mathfrak{A}_1/\mathfrak{F}_1$. In fact, for any $A \in \mathfrak{A}_0$ with $A \sim \langle A_{x,y} \rangle$, put $B \sim \langle \delta_{x,y}A_{x,y} \rangle$ ($B \in \mathfrak{A}_1$) and consider the following mapping $\mathcal{P}: A + \mathfrak{F}_0 \rightarrow B + \mathfrak{F}_1$ of $\mathfrak{A}_0/\mathfrak{F}_0$ onto $\mathfrak{A}_1/\mathfrak{F}_1$. Then it is easy to check that \mathcal{P} is a projection map of $\mathfrak{A}_0/\mathfrak{F}_0$ onto $\mathfrak{A}_1/\mathfrak{F}_1$. For any $A \in \mathfrak{A}_0$ with $A \sim \langle A_{x,y} \rangle$, we have that $(A^*A)_{x,x} = \sum_{0 \leq z < 1} |A_{z,x}|^2$ for all x . This implies that \mathcal{P} is positive and faithful. Since $\mathfrak{A}_1/\mathfrak{F}_1$ is $*$ -isomorphic with \mathfrak{A} in section 1, $\mathfrak{A}_1/\mathfrak{F}_1$ has a faithful state and then by the same reasoning as in Theorem 2, $\mathfrak{A}_0/\mathfrak{F}_0$ has a faithful state and thus by Theorem 1 we have

THEOREM 3. $\mathfrak{A}_0/\mathfrak{F}_0$ is a σ -finite, non- W^* , type III AW^* -factor.

The rest of this section is devoted to prove the following:

THEOREM 4. $\mathfrak{A}_0/\mathfrak{F}_0$ is $*$ -isomorphic with $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_0)$ in section 2.

PROOF. For any $A + \mathfrak{F}_0 \in \mathfrak{A}_0/\mathfrak{F}_0$ ($A \in \mathfrak{A}_0$), let $A \sim \langle A_{x,y} \rangle$, then $A_{x,y} = 0$ except when $y - x = j \cdot 2^{-k}$ for some $k \geq 1$, $-2^k < j < 2^k$ and for $k \geq 1$, $0 \leq i, j < 2^k$ the function $x \rightarrow f(x) = A_{2^{-k(i+x), 2^{-k(j+x)}}$ ($0 \leq x < 1$) is in $B^\infty[0, 1)$. Keeping the notations in the last paragraph of section 1, for any $g \in G_0$, $x \rightarrow A_{\sigma_g(x), x}$ is a bounded Baire function on $[0, 1)$. Let ϕ be the canonical map of $B^\infty[0, 1)$ onto \mathfrak{A} and $a_{g,e} = \phi(x \rightarrow A_{\sigma_g(x), x})$ for $g \in G_0$. Note that $a_{g,e}$ does not depend on the choice of particular $A \in A + \mathfrak{F}_0$. In fact, if $A, B \in A + \mathfrak{F}_0$, then $A - B \in \mathfrak{F}_0$ and hence $\phi(x \rightarrow A_{\sigma_g(x), x}) = \phi(x \rightarrow B_{\sigma_g(x), x})$ for all $g \in G_0$. Let $a_{g,h} = (a_{g-h,e})^h$ for any g and $h \in G_0$, then $(a_{g,h})$ defines an "operator" $\psi(A + \mathfrak{F}_0)$ on $\mathfrak{M} = l^2(G_0, \mathfrak{A})$ such that $\psi(A + \mathfrak{F}_0)_{g,h} = a_{g,h}$ for all $g, h \in G_0$.

Observe that $a_{g,h} \in \mathfrak{A}$ is the canonical image of $x \rightarrow A_{\sigma_g(x), \sigma_h(x)}$ for any $g, h \in G_0$.

Since $\sum_{g \in G_0} |A_{\sigma_g(x), x}|^2 = \sum_{g \in G_0} |(Ae_x, e_{\sigma_g(x)})|^2 \leq \sum_{0 \leq y < 1} |(Ae_x, e_y)|^2 = \|Ae_x\|^2 \leq \|A\|^2$ for all $x \in [0, 1)$, we have that $\sum_{g \in G_0} |a_{g,e}|^2 \leq \|A\|^2 \cdot 1$ on \mathfrak{A} . Thus, for any $\xi = (x_g) \in \mathfrak{M}$, $\sum_{g \in G_0} |x_g a_{g,h}| \leq \|\xi\| \cdot \|A\|$. This implies that $\sum_{g \in G_0} x_g a_{g,h}$ is order convergent in \mathfrak{A} [13]. Put $\eta_h = \sum_{g \in G_0} x_g a_{g,h} \in \mathfrak{A}$, we can show that $\sum_{h \in G_0} |\eta_h|^2 \in \mathfrak{A}$ (order convergent in \mathfrak{A}). In fact, let \hat{x}_g be the inverse image of x_g by ϕ in $B^\infty[0, 1)$, then $\sum_{g \in G_0} |x_g(x)|^2 \leq \|\xi\|^2$ except on a set of first category. Hence it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{h \in G_0} \left| \sum_{g \in G_0} \hat{x}_g(x) A_{\sigma_g(x), \sigma_h(x)} \right|^2 &= \sum_{h \in G_0} \left| \sum_{g \in G_0} \hat{x}_g(x) (Ae_{\sigma_h(x)}, e_{\sigma_g(x)}) \right|^2 \\ &= \sum_{h \in G_0} \left| \sum_{0 \leq y < 1} \hat{x}_y(x) (Ae_{\sigma_h(x)}, e_y) \right|^2 \end{aligned}$$

(where $\hat{x}_y(x) = 0$ if $y \neq \sigma_g(x)$ for any $g \in G_0$ and $\hat{x}_y(x) = \hat{x}_g(x)$ if $y = \sigma_g(x)$ $g \in G_0$)

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{h \in G_0} |(Ae_{\sigma_h(x)}, (\hat{x}_y(x)))|^2 \quad (\text{where } (\hat{x}_y(x)) \in \mathfrak{E}) \\ &= \sum_{h \in G_0} |(e_{\sigma_h(x)}, A^*(\hat{x}_y(x)))|^2 \leq \|A\|^2 \cdot \|(\hat{x}_y(x))\|^2 = \|A\|^2 \cdot \|\xi\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

except on a set of first category. Thus $\sum_{h \in G_0} |\sum_{g \in G_0} x_g a_{g,h}|^2 \leq \|A\|^2 \cdot \|\xi\|^2$ and $\sum_{h \in G_0} |\eta_h|^2 \in \mathfrak{A}$. Hence let $\psi(A + \mathfrak{F}_0)\xi = (\sum_{g \in G_0} x_g a_{g,h}) \in \mathfrak{M}$, then $\psi(A + \mathfrak{F}_0) \in \mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{M})$ and $\|\psi(A + \mathfrak{F}_0)\| \leq \|A + \mathfrak{F}_0\|$. $\psi(A + \mathfrak{F}_0)_{g,h} = a_{g,h}$ for all g, h implies that $\psi(A + \mathfrak{F}_0) \in M(\mathfrak{A}, G_0)$. Thus ψ is a bounded *-linear map of $\mathfrak{A}_0/\mathfrak{F}_0$ into $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_0)$. Next we shall show that ψ is a *-isomorphism. For any $A + \mathfrak{F}_0, B + \mathfrak{F}_0 \in \mathfrak{A}_0/\mathfrak{F}_0$ ($A, B \in \mathfrak{A}_0$),

$$(AB)_{\sigma_g(x), \sigma_h(x)} = \sum_{k \in G_0} A_{\sigma_g(x), \sigma_k(x)} B_{\sigma_k(x), \sigma_h(x)}$$

for all $0 \leq x < 1$. Thus $\sum_{k \in G_0} a_{g,k} b_{k,h}$ is order convergent to $\phi(x \rightarrow (AB)_{\sigma_g(x), \sigma_h(x)})$ in \mathfrak{A} . Hence $\psi(AB + \mathfrak{F}_0) = \psi(A + \mathfrak{F}_0)\psi(B + \mathfrak{F}_0)$. If

$\psi(A + \mathfrak{F}_0) = 0$ ($A \in \mathfrak{U}_0$), then $\{x; 0 \leq x < 1, A_{\sigma_g(x), \sigma_h(x)} \neq 0\}$ is contained in a set of 1st category in $[0, 1)$. Thus for all $k \geq 1$, $0 \leq i, j < 2^k$, $x \rightarrow A_{2^{-k(i+x), 2^{-k(j+x)}}$ has a first category support, and hence $A \in \mathfrak{F}_0$, that is, $A + \mathfrak{F}_0 = 0$. This implies that ψ is a *-isomorphism of $\mathfrak{U}_0/\mathfrak{F}_0$ into $M(\mathfrak{U}, G_0)$.

Next, we shall show that the map ψ is onto. To do this we argue as follows: Let $A \in M(\mathfrak{U}, G_0)$ with $A \sim \langle a_{g,h} \rangle$. Then one can choose for any g and $h \in G_0$, a function $a_{g,h}(x) \in B^\infty[0, 1)$ such that there is a Baire set contained in a set of 1st category I in $[0, 1)$ such that

$$|\sum_{g,h \in G_0} a_{g,h}(x) \xi_h \bar{\eta}_g| \leq \|A\| \cdot (\sum_{h \in G_0} |\xi_h|^2)^{1/2} (\sum_{g \in G_0} |\eta_g|^2)^{1/2}$$

for all $\{\xi_h\}, \{\eta_g\} \in l^2(G_0)$ and for all $x \in [0, 1) \setminus I$ where \bar{c} is the complex conjugate of a complex number c . Replacing $a_{g,h}(x)$ by $a_{g,h}'(x)$ with the function $a_{g,h}'(x)$ defined to be zero if $x \in I$ and equal to $a_{g,h}(x)$ otherwise, we have that for any $\{\xi_h\}, \{\eta_g\} \in l^2(G_0)$,

$$|\sum_{g,h \in G_0} a_{g,h}'(x) \xi_h \bar{\eta}_g| \leq \|A\| (\sum_{h \in G_0} |\xi_h|^2)^{1/2} (\sum_{g \in G_0} |\eta_g|^2)^{1/2}$$

for all x . Now we shall define $\langle A_{x,y} \rangle$ as follows: $A_{x,y} = 0$ except when $x - y = j \cdot 2^{-k}$ for some $k \geq 1$, $-2^k < j < 2^k$, $A_{\sigma_g(x), x} = a_{g,e}(x)$ $0 \leq x < 1$, $g \in G_0$, then $x \rightarrow A_{2^{-k(i+x), 2^{-k(j+x)}}$ is a bounded Baire function on $[0, 1)$. To see that $\langle A_{x,y} \rangle$ determines a bounded linear operator B on \mathfrak{F} , we have only to show that $|\sum_{0 \leq x, y < 1} A_{x,y} \xi_x \bar{\eta}_y| \leq \|A\| \cdot \|\xi\| \cdot \|\eta\|$ for any $\xi = \{\xi_x\}$, $\eta = \{\eta_x\}$ in \mathfrak{F} . In fact,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{0 \leq x < 1} \sum_{g \in G_{k_0}} A_{\sigma_g(x), x} \xi_{\sigma_g(x)} \bar{\eta}_x \quad (\text{where } G_{k_0} = \{\sigma_{2^{-k_0 i}}; i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 2^{k_0} - 1\}) \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq x < 2^{-k_0}} \sum_{h \in G_{k_0}} \sum_{g \in G_{k_0}} A_{\sigma_{g+h}(x), \sigma_h(x)} \xi_{\sigma_{g+h}(x)} \bar{\eta}_{\sigma_h(x)} \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq x < 2^{-k_0}} \sum_{h \in G_{k_0}} \left\{ \sum_{g \in G_{k_0}} A_{\sigma_g(x), \sigma_h(x)} \xi_{\sigma_g(x)} \bar{\eta}_{\sigma_h(x)} \right\} \\ &\leq \sum_{0 \leq x < 2^{-k_0}} \|A\| \cdot (\sum_{g \in G_{k_0}} |\xi_{\sigma_g(x)}|^2)^{1/2} (\sum_{h \in G_{k_0}} |\eta_{\sigma_h(x)}|^2)^{1/2} \\ &\leq \|A\| \cdot (\sum_{0 \leq x < 2^{-k_0}} \sum_{g \in G_{k_0}} |\xi_{\sigma_g(x)}|^2)^{1/2} (\sum_{0 \leq x < 2^{-k_0}} \sum_{h \in G_{k_0}} |\eta_{\sigma_h(x)}|^2)^{1/2} \\ &= \|A\| \cdot \|\xi\| \cdot \|\eta\| \end{aligned}$$

for all $k_0 \geq 1$. Since $\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} G_k = G_0$ and $G_k \subset G_{k+1}$ for all k , we have $|\sum_{0 \leq x, y < 1} A_{x,y} \xi_x \bar{\eta}_y| \leq \|A\| \cdot \|\xi\| \cdot \|\eta\|$ and hence there is a $B \in \mathfrak{U}_0$ such that $(Be_y, e_x) = A_{x,y}$ for all x, y . By the construction, it is easy to check that $\psi(B + \mathfrak{F}_0) = A$. Thus ψ is onto. Hence $\mathfrak{U}_0/\mathfrak{F}_0 \cong M(\mathfrak{U}, G_0)$. This completes the proof of Theorem 4.

4. Remarks. (1) We shall remark first that every σ -finite type III

AW^* -factor is simple. Certain standard arguments tells us that for any pair e and f of non-zero projections in each σ -finite type III AW^* -factor M , $e \sim f$ in M . In fact, since "comparability theorem" of projections and "additivity of equivalence" of projections hold in any AW^* -algebra ([6]), we can easily show that for any non-zero projection e in M , there exists a mutually orthogonal sequence of projections $\{e_i\}_{i=1}^\infty$ in M such that $e = \sum_{i=1}^\infty e_i$, $e \sim e_i$ for all i . Let $\{f_j\}_{j \in J}$ be a maximal family of orthogonal projections such that $f_j < e$ for all j . Then the σ -finiteness of M implies that the cardinal of J is at most countable. The maximality of $\{f_j\}_{j \in J}$ tells us that $1 - \sum_{j \in J} f_j = 0$. Thus $1 = \sum_{j \in J} f_j < \sum_{i=1}^\infty e_i = e$ and $e \sim 1$ in M .

Now let I be any non-zero uniformly closed two-sided ideal of M , then by F. B. Wright's theorem [14], I contains a non-zero projection e . Thus, by the above argument, $e \sim 1$ and $1 \in I$, that is, $I = M$ and M is simple.

(2) We note also that every type I_∞ or type II_∞ AW^* -factor is not simple because the uniformly closed two-sided ideal generated by all finite projections in it is non-trivial.

Using this, the regular σ -completion \hat{A} of a simple, infinite dimensional, separable unital C^* -algebra A is neither of type I_∞ nor of type II_∞ (because \hat{A} is simple), that is, \hat{A} is of type II_1 or of type III. Since \hat{A} has a faithful state ([18, Theorem M]), [17, Theorem 6] tells us that \hat{A} is of type III.

(3) Next we shall show that for any σ -finite, type III *non- W^** , AW^* -factor M , M does not have any non-trivial *separable* representations. Suppose, on the contrary, that M has a non-trivial separable representation (π, \mathfrak{H}_π) (\mathfrak{H}_π is separable). Then we may assume without loss of generality that $\pi(1) = 1_{\mathfrak{H}_\pi}$ (the identity operator on \mathfrak{H}_π). Feldman and Fell [4] state that π is completely additive on projections and by the argument in (1) (M is simple), π is faithful. This implies that M has sufficiently many c.a. states. Thus M is a W^* -algebra by [9]. This is a contradiction and M has no non-trivial separable representations.

Thus the examples $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$, $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_0)$ and \hat{A} are simple and do not have any non-trivial separable representations.

We note that the above statements also hold for any σ -finite, properly infinite AW^* -algebra without any W^* -direct summands, but we will omit the details.

(4) We shall also remark that there is a monotone closed C^* -factor which is not a W^* -algebra ($M(\mathfrak{A}, G_\theta)$, $M(\mathfrak{A}, G_0)$, \hat{A}) see [5, Corollary 3.10].

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