

## A COVARIANT STINESPRING TYPE THEOREM FOR $\tau$ -MAPS

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**Abstract.** Let  $\tau$  be a linear map from a unital  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  to a von Neumann algebra  $\mathcal{B}$  and let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a unital  $C^*$ -algebra. A map  $T$  from a Hilbert  $\mathcal{A}$ -module  $E$  to a von Neumann  $\mathcal{C}$ - $\mathcal{B}$  module  $F$  is called a  $\tau$ -map if

$$\langle T(x), T(y) \rangle = \tau(\langle x, y \rangle) \text{ for all } x, y \in E.$$

A Stinespring type theorem for  $\tau$ -maps and its covariant version are obtained when  $\tau$  is completely positive. We show that there is a bijective correspondence between the set of all  $\tau$ -maps from  $E$  to  $F$  which are  $(u', u)$ -covariant with respect to the dynamical system  $(G, \eta, E)$  and the set of all  $(u', u)$ -covariant  $\tilde{\tau}$ -maps from the crossed product  $E \times_{\eta} G$  to  $F$ , where  $\tau$  and  $\tilde{\tau}$  are completely positive.

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