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## ON THE LEBESGUE DECOMPOSITION OF A FUNCTION RELATIVE TO A *P*-IDEAL OF AN ORTHOMODULAR LATTICE

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we established a decomposition theorem in which a finitely additive group-valued function defined in an orthomodular lattice is decomposed with respect to a p-ideal.

It is well known how interesting it is to obtain a non commutative version of the Lebesgue decomposition theorem ([6] III.4.14) also because in many questions it is important to have a function absolutely continuous with respect to another (e.g. [9]). Recently many results have been obtained in this direction ([16], [17], [12], [5], [18], [15]).

In this paper, following the method used by V. Ficker [7] and P. Capek ([3], [4]) to obtain a decomposition theorem for a real function defined on a Boolean algebra (cf. also V. Palko [13]) and by C. Tarantino [19] for the group-valued case, we establish a decomposition theorem in which a finitely additive group-valued function defined in an orthomodular lattice is decomposed with respect to a p-ideal.

Obviously this decomposition theorem generalizes the classical one and it is analogous to the theorem proved in [5], where the decomposition was established with respect to an orthoideal contained in the centre of an orthomodular poset.

In this context, having an orthomodular lattice L and an ideal I, it is useful to study the orthosublattices of L of which I is a p-ideal. This enables us to obtain a decomposition in a more restricted lattice. In Part 3 we prove that between such lattices there is always a maximal one.

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Let  $(L, \leq)$  be a lattice with 0 and 1. In the following we employ the usual notations to indicate the supremum or the infimum of a subset of L, if they exist.

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Thus the rule  $R_2$  is valid in LMC (2.3).

Proof. With respect to Lemma 1.2 (R<sub>2</sub>), the class  $\mathcal{U}_0$  in LMC is  $\left\{ L'_0(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta_0) \colon L_0 \in \mathcal{M}\left(\mathsf{M}_{\mathbf{X}\mathsf{K}_{\mathbf{B}}}\right) \right\} \cdot \text{Let } \left(L'_{01}, L'_{02}\right)' \in \mathcal{M}\left(\mathsf{M}_{\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix}}\right) \iff \mathbf{X}'L_{01} + \mathbf{B}'L_{02} = \mathbf{O} \implies \mathsf{K}'_{\mathbf{B}}\mathbf{X}'L_{01} = \mathbf{O} \iff L_{01} \in \mathcal{M}\left(\mathsf{M}_{\mathbf{X}\mathsf{K}_{\mathbf{B}}}\right); \text{ further } L'_{01}\mathbf{Y} + L'_{02}(-\mathbf{b}) = L'_{01}\mathbf{Y} + L'_{02}\mathbf{B}\beta_0 = L'_{01}\mathbf{Y} + (-L'_{01}\mathbf{X})\beta_0 = L'_{01}(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta_0). \text{ Let } L_0 \in \mathcal{M}\left(\mathsf{M}_{\mathbf{X}\mathsf{K}_{\mathbf{B}}}\right) \iff \mathsf{K}'_{\mathbf{B}}\mathbf{X}'L_0 = \mathbf{O} \iff \mathbf{X}'L_0 \in \mathcal{M}(\mathsf{B}') \iff \exists \{\mathbf{v} \in \mathsf{R}^q\}\mathbf{X}'L_0 + \mathsf{B}'\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{O} \iff \left(\begin{array}{c} L_0 \\ \mathbf{v} \end{array}\right) \in \mathcal{M}\left(\mathsf{M}_{\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{B} \end{array}\right) \implies L'_0(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta_0) = L'_0(\mathbf{Y} + \mathbf{v}'(-\mathbf{b}). \Box$ 

The following lemma is useful before studing the rule  $R_3$  in LMC (2.3).

**Lemma 2.4.** Let W be an  $n \times n$  p.s.d. matrix and let  $\mathcal{M}(X) \subset (W)$ . Then (a)

$$\mathsf{P}_{\mathsf{X}\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{B}}}^{\mathsf{W}} = \begin{cases} \mathsf{P}_{\mathsf{X}}^{\mathsf{W}} - \mathsf{P}_{\mathsf{X}(\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X})^{\mathsf{-}}\mathsf{B}'}^{\mathsf{W}} & for \quad \mathcal{M}(\mathsf{B}') \subset \mathcal{M}(\mathsf{X}'), \\ \mathsf{P}_{\mathsf{X}}^{\mathsf{W}} - \mathsf{P}_{\mathsf{X}(\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X}+\mathsf{B}'\mathsf{V}\mathsf{B})^{\mathsf{-}}\mathsf{B}'}^{\mathsf{W}} & otherwise, \end{cases}$$

where V is any  $q \times q$  matrix with the property  $\mathcal{M}(B'VB) = \mathcal{M}(B')$ . (b)

$$\mathsf{P}^{\mathsf{W}}_{\mathsf{X}\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{B}}}\mathsf{P}^{\mathsf{W}}_{\mathsf{X}(\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X})^{-}\mathsf{B}'}=\mathsf{P}^{\mathsf{W}}_{\mathsf{X}(\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X})^{-}\mathsf{B}'}\mathsf{P}^{\mathsf{W}}_{\mathsf{X}\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{B}}}=\mathsf{O}\qquad \textit{if}\quad \mathcal{M}(\mathsf{B}')\subset\mathcal{M}(\mathsf{X}')$$

and

$$\mathsf{P}^{\mathsf{W}}_{\mathsf{X}\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{B}}}\mathsf{P}^{\mathsf{W}}_{\mathsf{X}(\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X}+\mathsf{B}'\mathsf{V}\mathsf{B})^{-}\mathsf{B}'}=\mathsf{P}^{\mathsf{W}}_{\mathsf{X}(\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X}+\mathsf{B}'\mathsf{V}\mathsf{B})^{-}\mathsf{B}'}\mathsf{P}^{\mathsf{W}}_{\mathsf{X}\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{B}}}=0 \qquad otherwise.$$

(c)

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{P}^{W}_{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{K}_{\mathbf{B}}} = & \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{V}\mathbf{B})^{-}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W} - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{V}\mathbf{B})^{-}\mathbf{B}' \cdot \\ & \cdot \left[\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{V}\mathbf{B})^{-}\mathbf{B}'\right]^{-}\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{V}\mathbf{B})^{-}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}. \end{split}$$

Proof. The first equality in (a) can be proved directly; as  $\mathcal{M}(\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{B}}) = \mathcal{M}(\mathsf{M}_{\mathsf{B}'}), \ \mathsf{P}^{\mathsf{W}}_{\mathsf{X}\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{B}}} = \mathsf{P}^{\mathsf{W}}_{\mathsf{X}\mathsf{M}_{\mathsf{B}'}} = \mathsf{X}\mathsf{M}_{\mathsf{B}'}(\mathsf{M}_{\mathsf{B}'}\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X}\mathsf{M}_{\mathsf{B}'})^{-}\mathsf{M}_{\mathsf{B}'}\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}.$ Now the equality  $\mathsf{M}_{\mathsf{B}'}(\mathsf{M}_{\mathsf{B}'}\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X}\mathsf{M}_{\mathsf{B}'})^{+}\mathsf{M}_{\mathsf{B}'} = (\mathsf{M}_{\mathsf{B}'}\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X}\mathsf{M}_{\mathsf{B}'})^{+}$ and the implication  $\mathcal{M}(\mathsf{B}') \subset \mathcal{M}(\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X}) \implies (\mathsf{M}_{\mathsf{B}'}\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X}\mathsf{M}_{\mathsf{B}'})^{+} = (\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X})^{+} - (\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X})^{+}\mathsf{B}'[\mathsf{B}(\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X})^{+} \ \mathsf{B}']^{-}\mathsf{B}'(\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X})^{+} \text{ from Lemma 1.4 is to be used; thus}$  
$$\begin{split} & \mathsf{P}^W_{\mathsf{X}\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{B}}} = \mathsf{X}(\mathsf{M}_{\mathsf{B}'}\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X}\mathsf{M}_{\mathsf{B}'})^+\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W} = \mathsf{X}(\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X})^+\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W} - \mathsf{X}(\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X})^+\mathsf{B}'[\mathsf{B}(\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X})^+ \cdot \\ & \cdot\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X}(\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X})^+\mathsf{B}']^-\mathsf{B}(\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X})^+\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W} = \mathsf{P}^W_{\mathsf{X}} - \mathsf{P}^W_{\mathsf{X}(\mathsf{X}'\mathsf{W}\mathsf{X})^-\mathsf{B}'} \,. \end{split}$$

In the case of the second equality in (a), it is sufficient to prove  $R(X) = R(XK_B) + R[X(X'WX + B'VB)^-B']$  and  $\mathcal{M}(XK_B) \perp_W \mathcal{M}[X(X'WX + B'VB)^-B']$ , where  $\perp_W$  means the orthogonality with respect to W, i.e.  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n, x \perp_W y \Leftrightarrow x'Wy = 0$ . Let  $\mathcal{M}_1 = \mathcal{M}(X), \mathcal{M}_2 = \mathcal{M}(XK_B) = \mathcal{M}(XM_B)$  and  $\mathcal{M}_3$  $\mathcal{M}[X(X'WX + B'VB)^-B']$ . As  $M_{B'}X'WX(X'WX + B'VB)^-B' - M_{B'}(X'WX + B'VB)(X'WX + B'VB)^-B'] = M_{B'}B' = 0, \mathcal{M}_2 \perp_W \mathcal{M}_3$ . To prove  $R(X) = R(XK_B) + R[X(X'WX + B'VB)^-B']$  we proceed as follows:  $P_{XK_B}^W = P_{XM_{B'}}^W = X(M_{B'}X'WXM_{B'})^+M_{B'}X'W = X[M_{B'}(X'WX + B'VB) \cdot M_B]^+X'W = X(X'WX + B'VB)^+X'W - X(X'WX + B'VB)^+B'[B(X'WX + B'VB) + B'VB)^+B']^+B(X'WX + B'VB)^+X'W$  (Lemma 1.4 is used)

$$WX(X'WX + B'VB)^{+}X'W = WP_{XK_{B}}^{W} + WM_{3}$$

where

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{M}_{3} &= \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{V}\mathbf{B})^{+}\mathbf{B}'[\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{V}\mathbf{B})^{+}\mathbf{B}']^{+}\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{V}\mathbf{B})^{+}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}.\\ \text{Both matrices } \mathbf{WP}_{\mathbf{X}\mathsf{K}_{\mathbf{B}}}^{\mathsf{W}}, \ \mathbf{WM}_{3} \text{ are p.s.d. and } \left(\mathbf{WP}_{\mathbf{X}\mathsf{K}_{\mathbf{B}}}^{\mathsf{W}}\right)'\mathbf{W}^{+}\mathbf{WM}_{3} &= \mathbf{O} \text{ (it is a consequence of } \mathcal{M}_{2}\perp_{\mathsf{W}}\mathcal{M}_{3} \text{ ); thus with respect to Lemma 1.1, we have } R[\mathbf{WX}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{V}\mathbf{B})^{+}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}] &= R\left(\mathbf{WP}_{\mathbf{X}\mathsf{K}_{\mathbf{B}}}^{\mathsf{W}} + \mathbf{WM}_{3}\right) = R\left(\mathbf{WP}_{\mathbf{X}\mathsf{K}_{\mathbf{B}}}^{\mathsf{W}}, \mathbf{WM}_{3}\right) = R\left(\mathbf{WP}_{\mathbf{X}\mathsf{K}_{\mathbf{B}}}^{\mathsf{W}}\right) + R(\mathbf{WM}_{3}). \text{ Further } R[\mathbf{WX}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{V}\mathbf{B})^{+}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}] &= R(\mathbf{X}), \\ R\left(\mathbf{WP}_{\mathbf{X}\mathsf{K}_{\mathbf{B}}}^{\mathsf{W}}\right) = R(\mathbf{X}\mathsf{K}_{\mathbf{B}}) \text{ and } R(\mathbf{M}_{3}) = R \ \mathbf{WM}_{3}) = R[\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{V}\mathbf{B})^{+}\mathbf{B}'].\\ \text{The last three equalities are consequences of the following relations, cf. Lemma 1.5 : \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{V}\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{JJ}', (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{V}\mathbf{B})^{+} = \mathbf{K}\mathsf{K}', \ \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}) \subset \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{J}) \iff \\ \exists \{\mathbf{F}: \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{JF}\}, \text{ thus } \mathbf{W}\mathbf{X}\mathbf{K}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{F}'\mathbf{J}'\mathbf{K}\mathbf{K}'\mathbf{J}\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{F}'\mathbf{F} \implies R[\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{V}\mathbf{B})^{+}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}] = R(\mathbf{F}') \geq R(\mathbf{F}'\mathbf{J}) = R(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}) \geq R(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{W}^{+}) = R(\mathbf{X}'); \text{ the inequality } R[\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{V}\mathbf{B})^{+}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}] \leq R(\mathbf{X}) \text{ is obvious.}\\ \text{Sim larly } R\left(\mathbf{WP}_{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{K}}^{\mathsf{W}}\right) = R(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{M}_{3}) \geq R(\mathbf{W}^{+}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{M}_{3}) = R(\mathbf{M}_{3}) \text{ (here the implication } \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{X}) \subset \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{W}) = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{W}^{+}) \implies \mathbf{W}^{+}(\mathbf{W}^{+})^{+}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X} \text{ was used}). \end{split}$$

The statement (b) is a consequence of the equalities  $K'_B X' W X (X'WX)^- B' = K'_B B' = 0$  and  $K'_B X' W X (X'WX + B'VB)^- B' = K'_B (X'WX + B'VB)(X'WX + B'VB)^- B' = K'_B B' = 0$ , respectively.

(c) is implied by the equality  $(M_{B'}X'WXM_{B'})^+ = [M_{B'}(X'WX + B'VB)M_{B'}]^+$ and by the last statement of Lemma 1.4.  $\Box$ 

Theorem 2.5. In LMC (2.3) the rule  $R_3$  is valid.

(2.2). Let L be an orthomodular lattice, k an infinite cardinal number, M a k-orthocomplete p-ideal, N a subset of M containing  $\{0\}$ . If  $M \setminus N$  satisfies the  $\alpha_k$ -condition then there is an element  $c \in M$  such that  $M = N_{c'} = M_{c'}$ .

P r o o f. Let H be an orthogonal maximal subset of  $M \setminus N$ , as  $\operatorname{card}(H) \leq k$  then there exists  $c = \bigvee H \in M$ , and, for the lemma above,  $M = N_{c'}$ .

If an element a belongs to  $M_{c'} \setminus N_{c'}$  then  $\{a \wedge c'\} \cup H$  is an orthogonal subset of  $M \setminus N$ , a contradiction because of the maximality of H as an orthogonal subset of L. Then  $M_{c'} = N_{c'}$ .

(2.3). Let k be a cardinal number and L an orthomodular lattice, and let L be k-orthocomplete if k is infinite. If  $(x_i)_{i \in I}$  is an orthogonal family of elements of L with cardinality k and c is an element of L, we have

$$\left(\bigvee \{x_i: i \in I\}\right) \land \left(\land \{x'_j \lor c: j \in I\}\right) = \bigvee \{x_i \land (x'_i \lor c): i \in I\}.$$

Proof. It is sufficient to observe that the set

$$\{x_i \wedge c' : i \in I\} \cup \{x_i \wedge (x_i \wedge c')' : i \in I\}$$

forms an orthogonal family of cardinality k.

(2.4). Let L be an orthomodular lattice, G a commutative topological group, M a p-ideal of L,  $\mu$  an element of a(L,G). If c is an element of M such that  $M \subseteq \mathcal{N}(\mu_{c'})$  then  $\mu_{c'} \in a(L,G)$ .

**P**roof. It suffices to observe that if  $x, y \in L$  with  $x \perp y$  the set

$$\{x \land c', \ y \land c', \ c' \land (x \lor y) \land (x' \lor c) \land (y' \lor c)\}$$

is an orthogonal subset of L and therefore we have

$$c' \land (x \lor y) = (x \land c') \lor (y \land c') \lor (c' \land (x \lor y) \land (x' \lor c) \land (y' \lor c)).$$

For (2.3) and [11] 2.6.4 we find that

$$(x \lor y) \land (x' \lor c) \land (y' \lor c) = (x \land (x' \lor c)) \lor (y \land (y' \lor c)) \in M.$$

Then

$$\mu_{c'}(x \lor y) = \mu_{c'}(x) + \mu_{c'}(y).$$

In the same way we prove that:

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(2.5). Let L be an orthomodular  $\sigma$ -orthocomplete lattice, G a topological commutative group, M a  $\sigma$ -orthocomplete p-ideal of L,  $\mu$  an element of  $\operatorname{ca}(L,G)$ . If c is an element of M such that  $M \subseteq \mathcal{N}(\mu_{c'})$  then  $\mu_{c'} \in \operatorname{ca}(L,G)$ .

(2.6). Let L be an orthomodular lattice, M a p-ideal of L, G a topological commutative group. Let  $\mu, \xi, \eta$  be elements of a(L,G) such that

- i)  $\mu = \xi + \eta$ ,
- ii)  $M \subseteq \mathcal{N}(\eta)$ ,
- iii)  $\exists c \in M \text{ such that } c' \in \mathcal{N}(\xi)$ ;

then we find, for every  $x \in L$ ,

$$\xi(x) = \mu(x \land (x' \lor c)), \qquad \qquad \eta(x) = \mu(x \land c').$$

Proof. Since  $x \wedge (x' \vee c) \in M$  for every  $x \in L$ , we find that

 $\eta(x \land (x' \lor c)) = 0$  for every  $x \in L$ 

and by hypothesis,

$$\xi(x \wedge c') = 0 \qquad \text{for every } x \in L,$$

therefore

$$\eta(x) = \eta(x \wedge c') + \eta(x \wedge (x' \vee c)) = \eta(x \wedge c') =$$
  
=  $\eta(x \wedge c') + \xi(x \wedge c') = \mu(x \wedge c'),$ 

$$\begin{aligned} \xi(x) &= \xi(x \wedge c') + \xi(x \wedge (x' \vee c)) = \xi(x \wedge (x' \vee c)) = \\ &= \xi(x \wedge (x' \vee c)) + \eta(x \wedge (x' \vee c)) = \mu(x \wedge (x' \vee c)). \end{aligned}$$

(2.7). Let L be an orthomodular lattice, M a p-ideal of L, G a commutative topological group,  $\mu$  an element of a(L,G). Moreover let c and d be two elements of M and

$$\mu_1: x \in L \to \mu(x \land c'), \qquad \mu_2: x \in L \to \mu(x \land (x' \lor c)), \\ \nu_1: x \in L \to \mu(x \land d'), \qquad \nu_2: x \in L \to \mu(x \land (x' \lor d)).$$

If  $M \subseteq \mathcal{N}(\mu_1) \cap \mathcal{N}(\nu_1)$ , then  $\mu_1 = \nu_1$  and  $\mu_2 = \nu_2$ .

**P**roof. *M* is a *p*-ideal,  $c \lor d$  belongs to *M*, hence, for every  $x \in L$ .

$$\mu_1(x \wedge (x' \vee c \vee d)) = 0.$$

Then

$$\mu_1(x) = \mu(x \wedge c') = \mu(x \wedge c' \wedge d') + \mu(x \wedge c' \wedge (x' \vee c \vee d)) =$$
  
=  $\mu(x \wedge c' \wedge d') + \mu_1(x \wedge (x' \vee c \vee d)) = \mu(x \wedge c' \wedge d').$ 

In the same way, we have

$$\nu_1(x) = \mu(x \wedge c' \wedge d') \quad \text{for every } x \in L,$$

therefore  $\mu_1 = \nu_1$ .

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**Theorem I.** Let L be an orthomodular lattice, G a commutative topological group,  $\mu$  an element of a(L,G) (resp. sa(L,G)). Moreover let k be an infinite cardinal, M a k-orthocomplete p-ideal of L such that  $M \setminus \mathcal{N}(\mu)$  satisfies the  $\alpha_k$ -condition. Then  $\mu$  can be uniquely represented as the sum of two elements  $\xi, \eta$  of a(L,G) (resp. sa(L,G)) such that  $\eta$  is M-continuous and  $\xi$  is Msingular.

Proof. Since  $M \setminus \mathcal{N}(\mu) = M \setminus (M \cap \mathcal{N}(\mu))$ , because of (2.2),  $c \in M$  exists such that

$$M = (M \cap \mathcal{N}(\mu))_{c'} = M_{c'} \cap (\mathcal{N}(\mu))_{c'}$$

therefore

$$M \subseteq (\mathcal{N}(\mu))_{c'} = \mathcal{N}(\mu_{c'}). \tag{1}$$

Then the function  $\eta = \mu_{c'}$ , because of (2.4), is an element of a(L,G) (resp. sa(L,G)) and because of (1), is also *M*-continuous.

Let  $\xi$  be the function

$$\xi: x \in L \to \mu(x \land (x' \lor c)),$$

obviously  $\mu = \xi + \eta$ , then  $\xi$  belongs to a(L,G) (resp. sa(L,G)), moreover c' belongs to  $\mathcal{N}(\xi)$ , then  $\xi$  is M-singular.

The uniqueness of the decomposition follows from (2.6) and (2.7).

In the same way as in Theorem I, but using (2.5) instead of the (2.4), the following is proved

**Theorem II.** Let L be a  $\sigma$ -orthocomplete orthomodular lattice, G a commutative topological group,  $\mu$  an element of  $\operatorname{ca}(L,G)$ . Let k be an infinite cardinal, M a k-orthocomplete p-ideal of L such that  $M \setminus \mathcal{N}(\mu)$  satisfies the  $\alpha_k$ -condition. Then  $\mu$  can be uniquely represented as the sum of two elements  $\xi, \eta$  of  $\operatorname{ca}(L,G)$  such that  $\eta$  is M-continuous and  $\xi$  is M-singular.

We observe that from Theorem II it is easy to obtain Theorem 2.11 of [5] and subsequently to arrive at the classical Lebesgue decomposition theorem.

We note also that proposition (2.2) is true if we suppose that M is a p-ideal and that every orthogonal subset of  $M \setminus N$  is finite; then also Theorem I and Theorem II are true with the hypothesis

- i) M is a p-ideal,
- ii) every orthogonal subset of  $M \setminus \mathcal{N}(\mu)$  is finite.

(3.1). Let L be an orthomodular lattice, H an ideal of L. Then we have an orthosublattice  $L_1$  of L such that:

- i) H is a p-ideal of  $L_1$ ,
- ii) there is no orthosublattice of L that strictly contains  $L_1$  and for which H is a p-ideal within it.

Proof. Let

$$\widehat{H} = H \cup H',$$
 where  $H' = \{a: a' \in H\}.$ 

Obviously  $\widehat{H}$  contains H and is contained in each orthosublattice of L which contains H . Moreover

$$x \in \widehat{H}$$
 implies  $x' \in \widehat{H}$ . (1)

Let x, y be two elements of  $\widehat{H}$ . If they both belong to H, it is obvious that  $x \lor y \in H$ , if  $x \notin H$ , for (1), then  $x' \land y' \in H$  and also  $x \lor y = (x' \land y')' \in \widehat{H}$ .

For every  $x \in \widehat{H}$  and for every  $a \in H$ 

$$\{x, x' \lor a\} \cap H \neq \emptyset,$$

therefore  $x \land (x' \lor a) \in H$ . Then (cf. 2.6.4 of [11]) H is a p-ideal of  $\widehat{H}$ .

The proof is completed by Zorn's Lemma.

If L is an orthomodular lattice obtained by Greechie's method (cf. [8] theor. 3) the results of (3.1) can be improved proving that  $L_1$  is an orthosublattice such that

- i) H is a p-ideal of  $L_1$
- ii) If  $\Lambda$  is an orthosublattice of L such that H is a p-ideal of  $\Lambda$ , then  $\Lambda$  is contained in  $L_1$ .

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