

On the structure of inner derivations in partial Jordan-triple algebras

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Abstract. Partial Jordan-triples are algebras with three variables occurring naturally in the description of the holomorphic automorphism groups of bounded circular domains. The following question is studied: under which conditions can all inner derivations of a partial Jordan-triple be recovered from their restrictions to the complete algebraic base of the triple.

1. Introduction

Since the works [6,8,2] it is well-understood that the key to any kind of holomorphic classification of bounded circular domains in Banach spaces is the study of the so-called partial Jordan-triples. By a *partial Jordan-triple* we mean an algebraic structure $\mathbf{E} = (E, E_0, \{ * \})$ with a product of 3-variables where E is a complex Banach space, E_0 is a complex (closed) subspace of E and $\{ * \}$ is a continuous real-trilinear operation

$$E \times E_0 \times E \rightarrow E \quad (x, a, y) \mapsto \{x, a^*, y\}$$

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symmetric complex bilinear in the outer variables x, y and conjugate linear in a such that the linear operators

$$(a \square b^*)x := \{a, b^*, x\} \quad (a, b \in E_0, x \in E),$$

satisfy the axioms

$$(J1) \quad (a \square a^*)E_0 \subset E_0, \quad (a \square a^*|E_0) \in \text{Her}_+(E_0), \quad \|a \square a^*|E_0\| = \|a\|^2$$

$$(J2) \quad a \square a^* \in \text{Der}(\mathbf{E})$$

for all $a \in E_0$. Here $\text{Her}_+(E_0)$ is the family of all E_0 -Hermitian operators^{*}) with non-negative spectrum and $\text{Der}(E)$ denotes the set of all *derivations* of \mathbf{E} . By a derivation of \mathbf{E} we mean a linear mapping $D: E \rightarrow E$ such that $D(E_0) \subset E_0$ and

$$D\{x, a^*, y\} = \{(Dx), a^*, y\} + \{x, (Da)^*, y\} + \{x, a^*, (Dy)\} \quad (x, y \in E, a \in E_0).$$

The *inner derivations* of \mathbf{E} are the finite *real*-linear combinations of the derivations of the form $ia \square a^*$ ($a \in E_0$). In the sequel we shall call the space E_0 the *base* of the partial Jordan-triple \mathbf{E} and we set $\mathbf{E}_0 := (E_0, E_0, \{*\})$. We shall use the notations $\text{Der}_0(\mathbf{E}) := \{\text{inner derivations of } \mathbf{E}\}$. Remark that the partial Jordan-triples coinciding with their base spaces are the widely studied JB*-triples.

In 1990, Panou [11] obtained the complete partial Jordan-triple-axiomatcs along with a structure description of all the possible partial Jordan-triples of the form $E = E_0 \oplus E_1, \{E_1, E_0^*, E_1\} = 0$ which can be associated with some finite dimensional bounded bicircular domain. His main tool to the structure description was the following fact [11, Prop. 1.6]: every inner derivation of the base of a partial Jordan-triple associated a finite dimensional bounded circular (not only bicircular) domain admits a unique inner derivative extension to the whole space.

In 1991, [13] gave the complete partial Jordan-triple-axiomatcs of the so-called *geometric partial Jordan-triples* which can be associated with some bounded circular domain in a Banach space. To obtain finer results concerning the structure of such partial Jordan-triples, it seems to be useful to look for infinite dimensional generalizations of [11, Prop. 1.6]. Notice that Panou's proof relies heavily upon the fact that, in a finite dimensional geometric partial Jordan-triple \mathbf{E} , the norm closure \mathcal{K} of the group generated by $\exp(\text{Der}_0(\mathbf{E}))$ is a compact subgroup of the unitary group with Lie-algebra $\text{Der}_0(\mathbf{E})$. In infinite dimensions, even if the base

^{*}) i.e. bounded linear operators $A: E_0 \rightarrow E_0$ with $\|\exp(i\tau A)\| = 1$ ($\tau \in \mathbb{R}$). We shall always write $\|\cdot\|$ for the norm in any Banach space in consideration. For linear operators we take the usual operator-norm automatically.

of the geometric partial Jordan-triple is finite dimensional, the group \mathcal{K} may be non-compact. Before the appearance of [11], there was already a positive infinite dimensional result [12, Lemma 2.1] concerning the extendibility of inner derivations in partial Jordan-triples with commutative base.

In this short note first we prove the analog of [11, Prop. 1.6] to infinite dimensional partial Jordan-triples where the base is a finite dimensional Cartan factor. Our arguments are completely Jordan-theoretical and require no further assumptions beyond the axioms (J1),(J2). Moreover, the version of axiom (J1) used here requiring only $a \square a^* | E_0 \in \text{Her}_+(E_0)$ is somewhat weaker than its usual form in the literature postulating $a \square a^* \in \text{Her}_+(E)$. Then, by introducing the concept of *quasigrids* and using norm-density considerations, we generalize the result to partial Jordan-triples whose base spaces are c_0 -direct sums of elementary JB*-triples. In particular we get that the restriction mapping $D \mapsto D|E_0$ is a Lie-algebra isomorphism between $\text{Der}_0(\mathbf{E})$ and $\text{Der}_0(\mathbf{E}_0)$ whenever the base space E_0 is a so-called compact JB*-triple (for def. see [3]).

2. The case of finite dimensional factor base

Lemma 2.1. *Given a derivation D of a partial Jordan-triple \mathbf{E} and an element $a \in E_0$ in the base E_0 of \mathbf{E} , we have*

$$[D, a \square a^*] = (Da) \square a^* + a \square (Da)^* .$$

Proof. For any $x \in E$, by axiom (J2) we have

$$\begin{aligned} [D, a \square a^*]x &= D\{a, a^*, x\} - \{a, a^*, (Dx)\} = \{(Da), a^*, x\} + \{a, (Da)^*, x\} \\ &= ((Da) \square a^* + a \square (Da)^*)x. \end{aligned}$$

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Corollary 2.2. *A derivation $D \in \text{Der}(E)$ vanishing on the base E_0 commutes with every inner derivation of \mathbf{E} .*

Proposition 2.3. *Suppose the base E_0 of the partial Jordan-triple \mathbf{E} is a finite dimensional Cartan factor. Then for any inner derivation D_0 of \mathbf{E}_0 there is a unique inner derivation D of \mathbf{E} with $D_0 = D|E_0$.*

Proof. Let $D_0 \in \text{Der}(\mathbf{E}_0)$. Using spectral decomposition [9], we can write $D_0 = i \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j a_j \square a_j^* | E_0$ for some minimal tripotents $a_1, \dots, a_n \in E_0$ and $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in \mathbb{R}$. Now the operator $i \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j a_j \square a_j^*$ is an inner derivation extending D_0 to the whole E . Since real linear combinations of inner derivations are inner derivations, it suffices to show that

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j a_j \square a_j^* = 0 \quad \text{whenever} \quad \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j \{a_j, a_j^*, c\} = 0 \quad (c \in E_0)$$

and a_0, \dots, a_n are minimal tripotents in E_0 .

Since $\dim(E_0) < \infty$, the group of all linear isometries of E_0 is a compact finite dimensional Lie group whose Lie algebra is $\text{Der}(E_0)$. Consider its identity component \mathcal{U} . That is, \mathcal{U} is the closed subgroup of $\mathcal{L}(E_0)$ generated by the operators $\exp(ia \square a^*)$ ($a \in E_0$). Then

$$\text{Span}(\mathcal{U}a) = E_0 \quad (0 \neq a \in E_0).$$

Indeed, the subspace $\text{Span}(\mathcal{U}a)$ is $\text{Der}(E_0)$ -invariant. It is well-known [5] that Der -invariant subspaces are ideals in JB^* -triples, and the only ideals in the factor E_0 are $\{0\}$ and E_0 . By writing simply $\int dU$ for the integration with respect to the normalized Haar measure*) on \mathcal{U} ,

$$\int (Ue) \square (Ue)^* dU = \int (Uf) \square (Uf)^* dU \quad (e, f \text{ minimal tripotents in } E_0)$$

because the group \mathcal{U} is transitive (i.e. $f = Ue$ for some $U \in \mathcal{U}$ above) on the manifold of minimal tripotents in factors [9].

Let us fix $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in \mathbb{R}$ and minimal tripotents $a_1, \dots, a_n \in E_0$ such that

$$Dc = 0, \quad (c \in E_0) \quad \text{where} \quad D := \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j a_j \square a_j^*.$$

*) For Borel-measurable functions $\phi: \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(E)$ with finite range, $\int \psi dU := \sum_{L \in \text{ran} \psi} dU(\phi^{-1}(L)) \cdot L$. For continuous $\Phi: \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(E)$, the Cauchy-type definition $\int \Phi dU := \lim_n \int \phi_n dU$ whenever $(\phi_n)_{n=1}^\infty$ is a sequence of Borel functions of finite range tending uniformly to Φ makes sense.

Since $D|_{E_0} = 0$, by 2.2, D commutes with any inner derivation of E . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} D &= \exp \operatorname{ad}(ia \square a^*) D = \exp(ia \square a^*) D \exp(ia \square a^*)^{-1} \quad (a \in E_0), \\ D &= U D U^{-1} \quad (U \in \mathcal{U}), \\ D &= \int U D U^{-1} dU = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j U(a_j \square a_j^*) U^{-1} dU = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j (U a_j) \square (U a_j)^* dU \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j Z \end{aligned}$$

where

$$Z := \left[\int (Ue) \square (Ue)^* dU : e \text{ min.trip.} \in E_0 \right].$$

By Schur's lemma, the operator Z is a multiple of the identity when restricted to E_0 (since $Z|_{E_0}$ commutes with \mathcal{U}). Moreover

$$Z|_{E_0} = \gamma \operatorname{id}_{E_0} \quad \text{with some } \gamma > 0,$$

because $e \square e^* \neq 0$ is a positive E -Hermitian operator whenever $0 \neq e \in E_0$. Consequently, from the assumption $D|_{E_0} = 0$ it follows $\sum_j \alpha_j = 0$ whence also $D = \sum_j \alpha_j Z = 0$. ■

Corollary 2.4. *If the base E_0 of \mathbf{E} is a finite dimensional Cartan factor, then the restriction map $D \mapsto D|_{E_0}$ of the complex operator Lie algebra $\mathcal{D} := \operatorname{Span}_{\mathbb{C}} E_0 \square E_0^*$ is injective. The center \mathcal{Z} of \mathcal{D} is 1-dimensional. The mapping*

$$P: \sum_j \lambda_j e_j \square e_j^* \mapsto \sum_j \lambda_j Z \quad (\lambda_j \in \mathbb{C}, e_j \text{ min.trip.} \in E_0)$$

is a well-defined contractive projection of \mathcal{D} onto \mathcal{Z} .

Proof. To prove the first statement, we only need to notice that any operator $D \in \mathcal{D}$ has the form

$$D = A + iB, \quad A = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j a_j \square a_j^*, \quad B = \sum_{j=1}^n \beta_j b_j \square b_j^*$$

with $\alpha_1, \beta_1, \dots, \alpha_n, \beta_n \in \mathbb{R}$. Since the operators $A|_{E_0}, B|_{E_0}$ are E_0 -Hermitian, $D|_{E_0}$ vanishes if and only if $A|_{E_0} = B|_{E_0} = 0$. By Proposition 2.3, the latter is equivalent to $A = B = 0$.

To see that the mapping P is a projection, observe that if $a \in E_0$ and $U := \widehat{U}|_{E_0}$ where $\widehat{U} := \exp(i\tau a \square a^*)$ and with $\tau \in \mathbb{R}$ and $a \in E_0$ then $(Ue) \square (Ue)^* = \widehat{U}(e \square e^*) \widehat{U}^{-1}$ ($e \in E_0$). Therefore every operator $U \in \mathcal{U}$ admits a (not necessarily unique) surjective isomorphic extension \widehat{U} from E_0 to E such that $(Ue) \square (Ue)^* = \widehat{U}(e \square e^*) \widehat{U}^{-1}$ ($e \in E_0$). With such an extension operation

$$PD = \int \widehat{U} D \widehat{U}^{-1} dU \quad (D \in \mathcal{D}).$$

Since $\|\widehat{U} D \widehat{U}^{-1}\| = \|D\|$ for all $U \in \mathcal{U}$, the mapping P is contractive. ■

Remark 2.5. Although the closed subgroup \mathcal{U} of $\mathcal{L}(E_0)$ generated by the family $\{\exp(ia \square a^*)|_{E_0} : a \in E_0\}$ of operators is a finite dimensional compact Lie group if $\dim(E_0) < \infty$, the closed subgroup $\widetilde{\mathcal{U}}$ of $\mathcal{L}(E)$ generated by $\{\exp(ia \square a^*) : a \in E_0\}$ need not be a finite dimensional compact Lie group if the partial Jordan-triple E is infinite dimensional. The proof by Panou [11] using Levi–Malcev decomposition for the special case $\dim(E) < \infty$ of the Proposition relies heavily upon the compactness of the group of surjective linear isometries of E .

3. Extendibility of derivations of c_0 -direct sums

Definition 3.1. A partial Jordan-triple $\mathbf{E} := (E, E_0, \{ * \})$ has the *inner derivation extension property* (IDEP for short) if for every inner derivation $D_0 \in \text{Der}_0(\mathbf{E}_0)$ of the base E_0 there is only a unique inner derivation $D \in \text{Der}_0(\mathbf{E})$ with $D_0 = D|_{E_0}$.

Proposition 3.2. Suppose the base E_0 of the partial Jordan-triple $\mathbf{E} = (E, E_0, \{ * \})$ is the c_0 -direct sum of a family \mathcal{F} of closed ideals such that the subtriples $(E, F, \{ * \})$ have IDEP for all $F \in \mathcal{F}$. Then \mathbf{E} has IDEP.

Proof. It suffices to see that

$$D := \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k a_k \square a_k^* = 0 \quad \text{whenever} \quad D_0 := D|_{E_0} = 0,$$

where $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in \mathbb{R}$ and $a_1, \dots, a_n \in E_0$. For any subfamily $\mathcal{Z} \subset \mathcal{F}$, let $P_{\mathcal{Z}}$ denote the projection of E_0 onto the closed ideal $\otimes^{c_0} \mathcal{Z}$ along the complemented ideal $\otimes^{c_0} (\mathcal{F} \setminus \mathcal{Z})$. By the definition of c_0 -direct sums, $\lim_{\mathcal{Z} \text{ finite} \subset \mathcal{F}} \|a - P_{\mathcal{Z}} a\| = 0$ for any $a \in E_0$. Therefore

$$\lim_{\mathcal{Z} \text{ finite} \subset \mathcal{F}} \|P_{\mathcal{Z}} a \square P_{\mathcal{Z}} a^* - a \square a^*\| = 0 \quad (a \in E_0).$$

On the other hand, the operators $a \square a^*$ act componentwise on E_0 , i.e.

$$P_Z a \square P_Z a^* | E_0 = P_Z (a \square a^*) | E_0 \quad (a \in E_0, Z \subset \mathcal{F}).$$

By passing to finite linear combinations, it follows

$$D = \lim_{Z \text{ finite} \subset \mathcal{F}} \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k P_Z a_k \square P_Z a_k^* = \lim_{Z \text{ finite} \subset \mathcal{F}} \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k \sum_{F \in Z} P_{\{F\}} a_k \square P_{\{F\}} a_k^*.$$

Here we have

$$0 = P_{\{F\}} D_0 | E_0 = \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k P_{\{F\}} a_k \square P_{\{F\}} a_k^* | E_0 \quad (F \in \mathcal{F}).$$

Hence, by assumption, for the inner derivative extension of $D_0|_F$ to $(E, F, \{ * \})$ we get

$$0 = \sum_k \alpha_k P_{\{F\}} a_k \square P_{\{F\}} a_k^* \quad (F \in \mathcal{F}).$$

Thus

$$D = \lim_{Z \text{ finite} \subset \mathcal{F}} \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k \sum_{F \in Z} P_{\{F\}} a_k \square P_{\{F\}} a_k^*.$$

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Remark 3.3. By a result of Bunce-Chu [3], the c_0 -direct sums of finite dimensional Cartan factors are the so-called *compact JB*-triples* i.e. JB*-triples whose inner derivations are compact operators. Thus in view of Proposition 2.3 we have the following.

Corollary 3.4. *A partial Jordan-triple whose base is a compact JB*-triple, has IDEP. In particular, partial Jordan-triples with finite dimensional base have IDEP.*

4. Quasigrids

Definition 4.1. A subset Q of the base E_0 of a partial Jordan-triple $(E, E_0, \{ * \})$ is a *quasigrid* if every finite subset of Q generates a finite dimensional subtriple of E_0 .

Remark 4.2. A family G consisting of tripotents in E_0 is called [10] a *grid* if $(e \square e^*)f = \lambda f$ for some $\lambda \in \{0, \frac{1}{2}, 1\}$ whenever $e, f \in G$. Clearly, grids consisting of minimal tripotents are quasigrids.

A further important example of quasigrids is given by the following two lemmas.

Lemma 4.3. *Let H, K be Hilbert spaces. Then the family $r(H, K)$ of all operators with finite rank (finite dimensional range) is a quasigrid in $\mathcal{L}(H, K)$ (equipped with the canonical triple product $\{a, b^*, c\} := \frac{1}{2}ab^*c + \frac{1}{2}cb^*a$ where b^* means the adjoint of the operator b).*

Proof. Any finite rank operator is a finite linear combination of 1-rank operators of the form $e \otimes f^* : h \mapsto \langle h, f \rangle e$ (where $e \in K, f \in H$). If $e_1, \dots, e_N \in K$ and $f_1, \dots, f_N \in H$ then $\{e_i \otimes f_j^*, (e_k \otimes f_l^*)^*, e_m \otimes f_n^*\} \in \text{Span}\{e_p \otimes f_q^* : p, q = 1, \dots, N\} =: S$. Thus if the finite family $F \in r(H, K)$ consists of finite linear combinations of the operators $e_1 \otimes f_1^*, \dots, e_N \otimes f_N^*$ then the subtriple generated by F is contained in the N^2 -dimensional subtriple S of $\mathcal{L}(H, K)$. ■

Corollary 4.4. *If $\dim(H) < \infty$ or $\dim(K) < \infty$ then $\mathcal{L}(H, K)$ is a quasigrid itself. In particular $H (\simeq \mathcal{L}(H, \mathbb{C}))$ is a quasigrid itself.*

Proof. In this case we have $\mathcal{L}(H, K) = r(H, K)$. ■

Lemma 4.5. *A spin factor is a quasigrid itself.*

Proof. According to [7, (4.11)], in general, *Jordan-triples of finite rank are quasigrids* in our terminology. A direct proof giving more insight is also very simple:

A spin factor can be viewed as a Hilbert space H endowed with the triple product

$$\{a, b^*, c\} := \frac{1}{2}\langle a, b \rangle c + \frac{1}{2}\langle c, b \rangle a - \frac{1}{2}\langle \bar{a}, \bar{c} \rangle \bar{b}$$

where the operation $\bar{\cdot} : \sum_i \xi_i e_i \mapsto \sum_i \bar{\xi}_i \bar{e}_i$ is a conjugation with respect to a given orthonormed bases $\{e_i\}_{i \in I}$. It is immediate that the subtriple generated by the family $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ is contained in $\text{Span}\{a_1, \bar{a}_1, \dots, a_n, \bar{a}_n\}$. ■

Definition 4.6. Given a partial Jordan-triple $\mathbf{E} := (E, E_0, \{ * \})$ and a quasigrd $Q \subset E_0$, the finite real linear combinations of derivations from $\{ia \square a^* | E_0 : a \in Q\}$ (respectively $\{ia \square a^* | E_0 : a \in Q\}$) will be called Q -derivations of \mathbf{E}_0 (respectively Q -derivations of \mathbf{E}).

Theorem 4.7. *If Q is a quasigrd in the base E_0 of the partial Jordan-triple $\mathbf{E} = (E, E_0, \{ * \})$ then every inner Q -derivation A of \mathbf{E}_0 admits a unique extension \tilde{A} to E wich is an inner derivation of \mathbf{E} .*

Proof. Suppose

$$iA = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j a_j \square a_j^* | E_0 = \sum_{k=1}^m \beta_k b_k \square b_k^* | E_0$$

where $a_1, \dots, a_n, b_1, \dots, b_m \in Q$ and $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_m \in \mathbb{R}$. Let F_0 denote the subtriple of E_0 generated by the family $\{a_1, \dots, a_n, b_1, \dots, b_m\}$. Since Q is a quasigrd, $\dim(F_0) < \infty$. On the other hand the mapping $A_0 := A|_{F_0}$ is an inner derivation of F_0 . Thus we may apply Proposition 2.3 to the partial Jordan-triple $(E, F_0, \{ * \})$ and the derivation A_0 of F_0 to conclude that $\sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j a_j \square a_j^* = \sum_{k=1}^m \beta_k b_k \square b_k^*$ on the whole E . ■

Corollary 4.8. *If the base E_0 is isomorphic to $\mathcal{L}(H, K)$ and one of the Hilbert spaces H, K is finite dimensional then the partial Jordan-triple $(E, E_0, \{ * \})$ has IDEP .*

Definition 4.9. Given a Q -derivation D of the base E_0 , we call the unique Q -derivation \tilde{D} of E with $D = \tilde{D}|_{E_0}$ the Q -extension of D .

5. Elementary triples in the base

In [4] one has introduced the concept of *elementary* JB*-triples as the smallest infinite dimensional analogues of the classical finite dimensional Cartan factors. Namely, an elementary JB*-triple of Type I is an isometric copy of a space $c_0(H, K)$ of all compact operators acting between two Hilbert spaces H, K (regarded as a subtriple of $\mathcal{L}(H, K)$ with the mentioned operator triple product). An elementary JB*-triple of Type II is an isometric copy of the subtriple $c_0^{\mathcal{B}^+}(H)$ of some $c_0(H, H)$ consisting of the operators with *symmetric matrix* with respect to some given orthonormed bases \mathcal{B} in H . Similarly, an elementary JB*-triple of Type III is a copy of some space $c_0^{\mathcal{B}^-}(H)$ (the subtriple of $c_0(H, H)$ consisting of the operators with

antisymmetric matrix with respect to some orthonormed basis \mathcal{B}). Elementary JB*-triples of Type IV are spin factors (possibly infinite dimensional) and those of Type V and VI are the 18- and 27-dimensional exceptional Cartan factors.

Thus, in terms of quasigrids, one can characterise elementary JB*-triples as irreducible JB*-triples admitting a norm-dense quasigrad. Indeed, if we consider an elementary JB*-triple F of Type I, II or III as a subtriple of a $c_0(H, K)$ -space as described above then $F \cap r(H, K)$ is a norm-dense quasigrad in F . (Triples of Types IV, V, VI are quasigrads).

Our next aim will be to extend the result of the Proposition to elementary JB*-triples of Type I, II, III.

Remark 5.1. Recall that if H_0, K_0 are finite dimensional Hilbert spaces then the inner derivations of the typical factor $F_1 := c_0(H_0, K_0)$ of Type I are the mappings of the form $x \mapsto iBx + ixA$ with any couple of self-adjoint operators $A \in \mathcal{L}(K_0, K_0)$, $B \in \mathcal{L}(H_0, H_0)$ such that $\text{trace}(A) = \text{trace}(B)$. The inner derivations of the triples of Type II, resp. III $F_2 := c_0^{\mathcal{B}^+}(H_0)$ and $F_3 := c_0^{\mathcal{B}^-}(H_0)$ are the mappings of the form $x \mapsto iAx + ixA^T$ (defined on F_2 and F_3 , resp.) with any self-adjoint $A \in \mathcal{L}(H_0)$ where A^T is the operator whose matrix is the *transpose* of that of A with respect to the basis \mathcal{B} .

It follows immediately that for the norm closure of the inner derivations of the infinite dimensional analogues of the factors F_1, F_2, F_3 (i.e. the spaces $c_0(H, K), c_0^{\mathcal{B}^\pm}$ with infinite dimensional Hilbert spaces H, K) are the mappings of the form $x \mapsto iBx + ixA$ resp. $x \mapsto iAx + ixA^T$ (with arbitrary self-adjoint compact operators $A: H \rightarrow H$ and $B: K \rightarrow K$).

Lemma 5.2. *Given a self-adjoint operator A with finite rank on a Hilbert space H , there exists a finite sequence $\delta_1, \dots, \delta_m \in \mathbb{R}$ and there are orthogonal projections P_1, \dots, P_m with finite rank such that*

$$A = \sum_{k=1}^m \delta_k P_k, \quad \sum_{k=1}^m |\delta_k| \leq 2\|A\|.$$

Proof. We can write

$$A = \sum_{j=1}^n (\lambda_j R_j + \mu_j S_j) \quad \lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n = 0 = \mu_n \geq \mu_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq \mu_1$$

with projections $R_1, S_1, \dots, R_n, S_n$ to pairwise orthogonal finite dimensional subspaces. Here $\|A\| = \max \lambda_1, -\mu_1$. Thus the choice $m := 2n - 2$,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_k &:= \lambda_k - \lambda_{k+1}, & P_k &:= \sum_{j \leq k} Q_j, \\ \delta_{k+n-1} &:= \mu_k - \mu_{k+1}, & P_{k+n-1} &:= \sum_{j \leq k} S_j \quad (k = 1, \dots, n-1) \end{aligned}$$

suits our requirements. ■

Lemma 5.3. *Let H, K be infinite dimensional Hilbert spaces with an orthonormed basis \mathcal{B} in H . For $k = 1, 2, 3$ let \mathbf{E}^k be a partial Jordan-triple whose base E_0^k is the elementary JB*-triple*

$$E_0^1 := c_0(H, K), \quad E_0^2 := c_0^{\mathcal{B}^+}(H), \quad E_0^3 := c_0^{\mathcal{B}^-}(H),$$

and in each case let Q^k be the quasigrad of all finite rank operators in E_0^k . Suppose $A \in r(H, H)$ is a self-adjoint operator with $\text{trace}(A) = 0$. Then the Q^k -extensions \tilde{D}_k of the derivations

$$D_1: E_0^1 \ni a \mapsto iaA, \quad D_2: E_0^2 \ni a \mapsto iAa + iaA^T, \quad D_3: E_0^3 \ni a \mapsto iAa + iaA^T,$$

where T denotes operator transposition with respect to \mathcal{B} , satisfy the norm-estimate

$$\|\tilde{D}_k\| \leq 4M\|A\|$$

whenever $\|\{x, a^*, x\}\| \leq M\|x\|^2\|a\|$ ($a \in E_0^k, x \in E^k, k = 1, 2, 3$).

Proof. Let us write the operator A in the form

$$A = \sum_{j=1}^m \delta_j P_j, \quad \sum_{j=1}^m |\delta_j| \leq 2\|A\|$$

with orthogonal projections $P_j \in r(H, H)$ and coefficients $\delta_j \in \mathbb{R}$. Choose a finite dimensional subspace H_0 in H such that $N := \dim(H_0) \geq \text{rank}(P_j)$ ($j = 1, \dots, m$) and let P_0 denote the orthogonal projection of H onto H_0 . Consider the derivations

$$\begin{aligned} D_{1,j}: E_0^1 \ni a &\mapsto ia \left(P_j - \frac{\text{rank}(P_j)}{N} P_0 \right), \\ D_{2,j}: E_0^2 \ni a &\mapsto iP_j a + iaP_j^T, \\ D_{3,j}: E_0^3 \ni a &\mapsto i \left(P_j + \frac{\text{rank}(P_j)}{N} P_0 \right) a + ia \left(P_j + \frac{\text{rank}(P_j)}{N} P_0 \right)^T \end{aligned}$$

for any index j . Observe that

$$D_k = \sum_{j=1}^n i\delta_j D_{k,j} \quad (k = 1, 2, 3)$$

due to the assumption $\text{trace}(A) = \sum_{j=1}^n \delta_j \text{rank} P_j = 0$. Thus, by the previous lemma, it suffices to check that each $D_{k,j}$ is a Q^k -derivation of \mathbf{E}_0^k whose Q^k -extension $\tilde{D}_{k,j}$ to E^k satisfies the norm estimate

$$\|\tilde{D}_{k,j}\| \leq 4M .$$

Let us fix an index j arbitrarily and write

$$P := P_j, \quad r := \text{rank}(P).$$

Remark that $r \leq N$. Let us fix orthonormed bases $\{e_1, \dots, e_r\}$ and $\{f_1, \dots, f_N\}$ in PH and P_0H , respectively.

Case of \mathbf{E}^1 . Choose also an orthonormed set $\{g_1, \dots, g_N\}$ in the space K and write R_0 for the orthogonal projection of K onto the span of $\{g_1, \dots, g_N\}$. For any system $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r \leq N$, the operators

$$I_{i_1, \dots, i_r} := \sum_{s=1}^r g_{i_s} \otimes e_s^*, \quad I := \sum_{t=1}^N g_t \otimes f_t^*$$

are partial isometries belonging to the quasigrad Q^1 . Indeed, an immediate calculation shows that $I_{i_1, \dots, i_r} I_{i_1, \dots, i_r}^* I_{i_1, \dots, i_r} = I_{i_1, \dots, i_r}$. For any $a \in E_0^1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} & 2 \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_r \leq N} \left(I_{i_1, \dots, i_r} \square I_{i_1, \dots, i_r}^* \right) a \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_r \leq N} \left(I_{i_1, \dots, i_r} I_{i_1, \dots, i_r}^* a + a I_{i_1, \dots, i_r}^* I_{i_1, \dots, i_r} \right) \\ &= \left(\sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_r \leq N} \sum_{s=1}^r g_{i_s} \otimes g_{i_s}^* \right) a + a \left(\sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_r \leq N} \sum_{s=1}^r e_s \otimes e_s^* \right) \\ &= \binom{N-1}{r-1} \left(\sum_{t=1}^N g_t \otimes g_t^* \right) a + a \binom{N}{r} \sum_{s=1}^r e_s \otimes e_s^* \\ &= \binom{N-1}{r-1} R_0 a + a \binom{N}{r} P, \\ & 2(I \square I^*) a = II^* a + a I^* I = R_0 a + a P_0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$D_{1,j}a = 2i \binom{N}{r}^{-1} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r \leq N} (I_{i_1, \dots, i_r} \square I_{i_1, \dots, i_r}^*)a - \frac{2ir}{N} (I \square I^*)a \quad (a \in E_0^1).$$

Therefore for the Q^1 -extension of D_1 to E^1 we get

$$\tilde{D}_{1,j} = 2i \binom{N}{r}^{-1} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r \leq N} I_{i_1, \dots, i_r} \square I_{i_1, \dots, i_r}^* - \frac{2ir}{N} I \square I^*.$$

Since $\|b \square b^*\| \leq M$ for any $b \in E_0^1$ with $\|b\| = 1$, it follows

$$\|\tilde{D}_{1,j}\| \leq 2 \binom{N}{r}^{-1} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r \leq N} M + \frac{2r}{N} M \leq 4M.$$

Case of \mathbb{E}^2 . Now we have simply

$$D_{2,j}a = 2i (J \square J^*)a \quad (a \in E_0^2)$$

with the partial isometry

$$J := \sum_{s=1}^n e_s \otimes \bar{e}_s^* .$$

Hence the Q^2 -extension of $D_{2,j}$ to E^2 is $\tilde{D}_{2,j} = 2iJ \square J^*$ with $\|\tilde{D}_{2,j}\| \leq 2M$.

Case of \mathbb{E}^3 . For any system of indices $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r \leq N$ set

$$J_{i_1, \dots, i_r} := \sum_{s=1}^r (e_s \otimes \bar{f}_{i_s}^* - f_{i_s} \otimes \bar{e}_s^*).$$

Since the set $\{e_1, \dots, e_r, f_1, \dots, f_N\}$ is orthonormed in H , we have $J_{i_1, \dots, i_r} = J_{i_1, \dots, i_r} J_{i_1, \dots, i_r}^* J_{i_1, \dots, i_r}$, that is the operators $J_{i_1, \dots, i_r} \in Q^3$ are partial isometries.

Observe that, for any $a \in E_0^3$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 2 \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_r \leq N} (J_{i_1, \dots, i_r} \square J_{i_1, \dots, i_r}^*) a &= \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_r \leq N} (J_{i_1, \dots, i_r} J_{i_1, \dots, i_r}^* a + a J_{i_1, \dots, i_r}^* J_{i_1, \dots, i_r}) \\
 &= \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_r \leq N} \sum_{s=1}^r (e_s \otimes e_s^* + f_{i_s} \otimes f_{i_s}^*) a + \\
 &\quad + a \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_r \leq N} \sum_{s=1}^r (\bar{e}_s \otimes \bar{e}_s^* + \bar{f}_{i_s} \otimes \bar{f}_{i_s}^*) \\
 &= \binom{N}{r} \left(\sum_{s=1}^r (e_s \otimes e_s^*) a + a \sum_{s=1}^r (e_s \otimes e_s^*)^T \right) + \\
 &\quad + \binom{N-1}{r-1} \left(\sum_{t=1}^N (f_t \otimes f_t^*) a + a \sum_{t=1}^N (f_t \otimes f_t^*)^T \right) \\
 &= \binom{N}{r} (Pa + aP^T) + \binom{N-1}{r-1} (P_0 a + aP_0^T).
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$D_{3,j} a = 2i \binom{N}{r}^{-1} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r \leq N} (J_{i_1, \dots, i_r} \square J_{i_1, \dots, i_r}^*) a \quad (a \in E_0^3)$$

whence for the Q^3 -extension to E^3 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{D}_{3,j} &= 2i \binom{N}{r}^{-1} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_r \leq N} J_{i_1, \dots, i_r} \square J_{i_1, \dots, i_r}^* \\
 \|\tilde{D}_{3,j}\| &\leq 2 \binom{N}{r}^{-1} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_r \leq N} M = 2M.
 \end{aligned}$$

■

Remark 5.4. By changing the roles of the spaces K and H in the treatment of the case of \mathbf{E}^1 above, we can see that also that the Q^1 -extension \tilde{D}'_1 of a Q^1 -derivation

$$D'_1 : E_0^1 \ni a \mapsto iBa \quad (B \text{ self-adjoint} \in r(K, K), \text{ trace}(B) = 0)$$

satisfies the norm estimate

$$\|\tilde{D}'_1\| \leq 4M \|B\|.$$

Lemma 5.5. *With the notations of Lemma 5.3 and Remark 5.4, we have the norm estimates*

$$4M(\|A\| + \|B\|) \geq \|D_1 + D'_1\| \geq \max\{\|A\|, \|B\|\},$$

$$4M\|A\| \geq \|D_2\| \geq \|A\|,$$

$$4M\|A\| \geq \|D_3\| \geq \|A\|$$

even if $\text{trace}(A), \text{trace}(B) \neq 0^*$.

Proof. For the cases $\text{trace}(A), \text{trace}(B) = 0$, the upper estimates are already established. Each of the quasigrids $c_0^{\mathbb{B}^\pm}(H) \cap r(H, H), r(H, K)$ contains partial isometries of arbitrarily large rank whenever the underlying Hilbert spaces H, K are infinite dimensional. Hence, for $k = 1, 2, 3$, any Q^k -derivation of \mathbf{E}^k can be perturbed by a Q^k -derivation of the form $\varepsilon I \square I^*$ of arbitrarily small norm in a manner such that the perturbed derivation have the form $a \mapsto iB'a + iaA'$ with $\text{trace}(A') = \text{trace}(B') = 0$. Therefore the upper norm estimates extend also to the case. Next we proceed to the lower estimates.

Case of \mathbf{E}^1 . Given a couple of unit vectors $u \in H$ and $v \in K$, we have $-i(D_1 + D'_1)(v \otimes u^*) = v \otimes (Au)^* + (Bv) \otimes u^*$, $\|v \otimes u^*\| = 1$. Choosing first u to be an eigenvector of A with eigenvalue of highest modul and v from the kernel of B (by assumption A, B have finite rank), we have $\|(D_1 + D'_1)(v \otimes u^*)\| = \|(Au) \otimes v^*\| = \|Au\| \cdot \|v\| = \|A\|$. Therefore $\|D_1 + D'_1\| \geq \|A\|$. Choosing v to be an eigenvector of B with eigenvalue of highest module and u from the kernel of A , similarly we get $\|D_1 + D'_1\| \geq \|B\|$.

Case of \mathbf{E}^2 . If $u, v \in H$ are unit vectors and u is an eigenvector of A with eigenvalue $\lambda \in \{\pm\|A\|\}$ and v belongs to the kernel of A then

$$D_2(u \otimes \bar{v}^* + v \otimes \bar{u}^*) = i\lambda(u \otimes \bar{v}^* + v \otimes \bar{u}^*).$$

Hence immediately $\|D_2\| \geq \|A\|$.

Case of \mathbf{E}^3 . A similar argument to the one used for \mathbf{E}^2 with $u \otimes \bar{v}^* - v \otimes \bar{u}^*$ instead of $u \otimes \bar{v}^* + v \otimes \bar{u}^*$. ■

Proposition 5.6. *A partial Jordan-triple $\mathbf{E} := (E, E_0, \{ * \})$ whose base E_0 is an elementary JB*-triple has IDEP .*

*) For any operator $c \in r(H, K)$ we have $\text{trace}(c^*c) = \text{trace}(cc^*)$. Since $(c \square c^*)a = (cc^*a + ac^*c)/2$ ($a, c \in c_0(H, K)$), it follows that the mapping $[c_0(H, K) \ni a \mapsto iBa + iaA]$ with $A \in r(H, H), B \in r(K, K)$ is an $r(H, K)$ -derivation if and only if $\text{trace}(A) = \text{trace}(B)$.

Proof. If E_0 itself is a quasigrd then the statement is already contained in Proposition 2.3.

If E_0 is not a quasigrd then E_0 is isometrically isomorphic to some space of the form $c_0(H, K)$ or $c_0^{\mathbb{B}^\pm}(H)$ with infinite dimensional underlying Hilbert spaces H, K . Thus we may assume that E_0 coincides with one of the mentioned operator spaces. These cases are considered in Lemmas 5.3, 5.5. In any case, let Q denote the quasigrd of all finite rank elements of E_0 . Furthermore, let \mathcal{D} resp. \mathcal{D}_0 be the families of all Q -derivations of E resp. the base space E_0 . According to the norm estimates of the previous lemma, the Q -extension

$$\begin{aligned} T: \mathcal{D}_0 &\rightarrow \mathcal{D} \\ D &\mapsto [\tilde{D} \in \mathcal{D} : \tilde{D}|_{E_0} = D] \end{aligned}$$

is a bijective linear operation $\mathcal{D}_0 \leftrightarrow \mathcal{D}$ such that

$$\|T\| \leq 4M, \quad \|T^{-1}\| \leq 1.$$

(The inverse $T^{-1} : \tilde{D} \mapsto \tilde{D}|_{E_0}$ is obviously contractive). Therefore the operation T admits a unique linear bicontinuous extension

$$\bar{T}: \overline{\mathcal{D}_0} \leftrightarrow \overline{\mathcal{D}}$$

where $\overline{\mathcal{D}_0}$ resp. $\overline{\mathcal{D}}$ denote the closures of the linear submanifolds \mathcal{D}_0 resp. \mathcal{D} in the spaces $\text{Der}(E_0)$ resp. $\text{Der}(E)$ with respect to operator norm. Since the quasigrd Q is norm dense in E_0 , and since $\{ia \square a^* : a \in Q\} \subset \mathcal{D}_0$, by the continuity of the mapping $a \mapsto a \square a^*$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} a \square a^* &= \lim_{Q \ni a_i \rightarrow a} a_i \square a_i^* = \lim_{Q \ni a_i \rightarrow a} T(a_i \square a_i^* | E_0) = \bar{T} \left(\lim_{Q \ni a_i \rightarrow a} a_i a_i^* | E_0 \right) \\ &= \bar{T}(a \square a^* | E_0) \quad (a \in E_0). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by the linearity of the mapping \bar{T} ,

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k a_k \square a_k^* = \bar{T} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k a_k \square a_k^* | E_0 \right) = 0 \quad \text{whenever} \quad \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k a_k \square a_k^* | E_0 = 0.$$

Thus inner derivations of \mathbf{E}_0 admit unique inner derivative extensions to \mathbf{E} . ■

In view of Proposition 3.2 our main result is immediate.

Theorem 5.7. A partial Jordan-triple whose base is a c_0 -direct sum of a family of elementary JB*-triples has IDEP .

Definition 5.8. Let us call a derivation of a partial Jordan-triple a σ -inner derivation if it is the norm limit of some sequence of inner derivations.

As a by-product of the proof of Theorem 5.6, we have also obtained the following result.

Corollary 5.9. Let $(E, E_0, \{ * \})$ be a partial Jordan-triple whose base E_0 is an elementary JB*-triple with infinite rank or finite dimensions*). Then any σ -inner derivation of E_0 admits a unique σ -inner derivative extension to E

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