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Norm- Attainability of Generalized Finite Operators on C^* -Algebra

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Abstract: Norm -attainability of elementary operators on Hilbert and Banach spaces have been Characterized by many mathematicians. However, there is little information on Norm-attainability of generalized finite operators on C^* -algebra. A pair of bounded linear operators A, B on a complex Hilbert space H is called generalized finite operators if $\|AX - XB - I\| \geq 1$ for each $x \in B(H)$. This paper therefore determines the norm attainability of these generalized finite operators on C^* -algebra when implemented by norm attainable operators A, B .

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1. Introduction

Let H be a complex Hilbert space, $B(H)$ be the collection of bounded linear operators on H with inner product space and GF be the set of norm attainable generalized finite operators, the inner derivation is defined by $\delta_{AE}(X) = \|AX - XA\|$, and the generalized derivation by $\delta_{AB}(X) = \|AX - XB\|$, while the generalized finite operator $\|AX - XB - I\| \geq 1$ is said to be norm attainable, if for every pair of operators $A, B \in B(H)$ implementing the generalized finite operators are norm attainable and there exists

a scalar q and some unit sequence Z_n such that $\|Z_n\|=1$, $|q|=1$ and $\|(A - q) * Z_n\| < \frac{1}{n}$, and $\|(B - q)Z_n\| > \frac{1}{n}$.

Definition 1.1 Involution on algebra, (Gelfand et al. 1943)

If A is an algebra, a mapping $*$: $A \rightarrow A$, defined by $x \rightarrow x^*$ is called an involution on algebra A if it satisfies the following four conditions; $\forall x, y \in A$.

- i) $(x + y)^* = x^* + y^*$
- ii) $(\lambda x)^* = \lambda x^*$
- iii) $(xy)^* = y^*x^*$
- iv) $(x^*)^* = x^{**} = x$

If A is a Banach algebra with an involution and, for every $\forall x \in A \ \|x^*x\| = \|x\|^2$, then A is called C^* -algebra.

Example of C^* -algebra (Gelfand et al. 1943)

Let $B(H)$ be a collection of bounded linear operators on a complex Hilbert space H , with inner product space, then $B(H)$ is a C^* -algebra.

Definition 1.2 Generalized finite operators (Mecheri 2005)

Given pairs of operators $(A, B) \in B(H) \times B(H)$: $\|AX - XB - I\| \geq 1$ is a generalized finite operator

Definition 1.3 Norm attainable operator (Okelo 2020)

An operator $A \in B(H)$ is said to be norm-attainable if for every unit vector $x \in H$ it then follows $\|Ax\| = \|A\|$.

2. Main Results

Theorem 2.1 (Okelo 2018)

Let $S, T \in B(H)$ if both S and T are norm attainable then the basic elementary operator M_{ST} is also norm attainable.

The lemma below gives the result on norm attainability of inner derivative.

Lemma 2.2

Let H be a complex Hilbert space, $B(H)$ be the collection of bounded linear operators on H with, inner product space and GF be the set of norm-attainable generalized finite operators, if there exists a scalar q and some sequence Z_n such that $\|Z_n\|=1, |q|=1$ and $\|(A - q) * Z_n\| < \frac{1}{n}, AX \rightarrow -AX$ then the inner derivation $\delta_{A \in GF}$ is said to be norm-attainable.

Proof

We define inner derivative δ_A as $\delta_A(X) = \|AX - XA\|$, from $\|(A - q) * Z_n\| < \frac{1}{n}$, when $n \geq 1$, then we will have,

$$\begin{aligned} \|AX - XA\|^2 &= \|(A - q) * XZ_n - Z_n\|^2 - \|X(A - q)Z_n\|^2 \\ &= \|(AX - qX)Z_n - Z_n\|^2 - \|(AX - qX)Z_n\|^2 \\ &= \| (AX - qX)Z_n\|^2 + 1 - \{ \|(AX - qX)Z_n\|^2 \} \\ &= \|(AX - qX)\|^2 \|Z_n\|^2 + 1 - \{ \|(AX - qX)\|^2 \|Z_n\|^2 \} \\ &= \|AX\|^2 - \|X\|^2 |q|^2 + 1 - \{ \|AX\|^2 - \|X\|^2 |q|^2 \} \\ &= \|AX - (-AX) + qX\|^2 \\ &= \|AX + AX + qX\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

For the positive square roots of the equation, the result is,

$$\begin{aligned} \|AX - XA\| &= \|AX + AX + qX\| \\ &= \|2AX + qX\| \\ &= 2\|AX\| + \|qX\| \\ &= 2\|A\| + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Implying that $\|AX - XA\| = 2\|A\| + 1 = \delta_A$.

Since operator A is norm attainable, it then follows that the inner derivative δ_A is norm attainable.

Next we give the conditions for norm attainability of generalized derivative δ_{AB} .

Lemma 2.3

Let H be a complex Hilbert space, $B(H)$ be the collection of bounded linear operators on H , with inner product space and GF be the set of norm-attainable generalized finite operators, the generalized derivative $\delta_{AB \in GF}$ is norm attainable if there exists some scalar q and a unit sequence Z_n such that $\|Z_n\|=1, |q| = 1, \|(A - q) * Z_n\| > \frac{1}{n}$ and $\|(B - q) Z_n\| > \frac{1}{n}$

Proof

We define a generalized derivative δ_{AB} as $\delta_{AB}(X) = \|AX - XB\|$ for every $x \in B(H)$

It then follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|AX - XB\|^2 &= \|(A - q)XZ_n - Z_n\|^2 - \{|X(B - q) Z_n\|^2\} \\
 &= \{ \|(AX - qX)Z_n\|^2 - \|Z_n\|^2 \} - \{ \|(BX - qX) Z_n\|^2 \} \\
 &= \|(AX - qX)\|^2 - \|Z_n\|^2 - \{ \|(BX - qX)\|^2 \} \\
 &= \|AX - qX - Z_n\|^2 - \|(BX - qX)\|^2 \\
 &= \|AX - qX - Z_n - BX + qX\|^2 \tag{i} \\
 &= \|AX - BX - Z_n - qX + qX\|^2 \\
 &= \|AX - BX - Z_n\|^2
 \end{aligned}$$

For the positive square roots of the equation, the result is,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|AX - XB\| &= \|AX - XB - Z_n\| \\
 &= \|AX\| - \|BX\| + 1 \\
 &= \|A\| - \|B\| + 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Implying that $\|AX - XB\| = \|A\| - \|B\| + 1$ (ii)

From equation (i) we get the inequality

$$\|AX - XB\|^2 \geq \|AX - qX - Z_n - BX + qX\|^2$$

Implying that,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|AX - XB\| &\geq \|AX - BX - qX\| \\
 &\geq \|A\| - \|B\| + 1 \tag{iii}
 \end{aligned}$$

For the reverse inequality, from equation (i), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|AX - XB\|^2 &\leq \|AX + qX + Z_n - BX - qX\|^2 \\
 &\leq \|AX - BX + Z_n + qX - qX\|^2 \\
 &\leq \|AX - BX + Z_n\|^2
 \end{aligned}$$

For the positive square root of the equation, the result is,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|AX - XB\| &\leq \|AX\| - \|BX\| + \|Z_n\| \\
 &\leq \|A\| - \|B\| + 1 \tag{iv}
 \end{aligned}$$

From equation (iii) and (iv) we get

$$\|AX - XB\| = \|A\| - \|B\| + 1$$

Hence $\|AX - XB\| = \|A\| - \|B\| + 1 = \delta_{AB}$. Therefore δ_{AB} is norm attainable since A and B are norm attainable.

The next theorem gives the main results of our study on norm attainability of generalized finite operators.

Theorem 2.4

Let H be a complex Hilbert space, $B(H)$ be the collection of bounded linear operators on H with inner product space and $A, B \in GF$, if A and B are norm attainable, then the generalized finite operators $(AB) \in B(H) \times B(H): \|AX - XB - I\| \geq 1$ is norm attainable.

Proof

For the operators $A, B \in B(H)$, it is known from lemma 2.3 that $\|AX - XB\| = \|A\| - \|B\| + 1$

We let $\|Z_n\|=1, |q| = 1, \|(A - q)^* Z_n\| > \frac{1}{n}$ and $\|(B - q) Z_n\| > \frac{1}{n}$

Now for every $n \geq 1$, then we will have

$$\begin{aligned} \|AX - XB - I\| &\geq \text{Sup} \{ \|(AX - XB - I)Z_n\| \} \\ &\geq \text{Sup} \{ \|(A - q)XZ_n - Z_n\| - \|X(B - q) Z_n\| + 1 \} \\ &\geq \text{Sup} \{ \|A\| - \|B\| + 1 \} \end{aligned}$$

Implying that $\|AX - XB - I\| \geq \|A\| - \|B\| + 1$ (i)

For the reverse inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} \|AX - XB - I\| &\leq \text{Sup} \{ \|(A - q)XZ_n - Z_n\| - \|X(B - q) Z_n\| + 1 \} \\ &\leq \text{Sup} \{ \|AX\| + |q|\|X\| - [\|BX\| + |q|\|X\|] + 1 \} \\ &\leq \text{Sup} \{ \|A\| - \|B\| + 1 - 1 + 1 \} \\ &\leq \text{Sup} \{ \|A\| - \|B\| + 1 \} \end{aligned}$$

Implying that, $\|AX - XB - I\| \leq \|A\| - \|B\| + 1$ (ii)

From equation (i) and (ii) we get

$$\|AX - XB - I\| = \|A\| - \|B\| + 1$$

Therefore the generalized finite operator $A, B \in B(H): \|AX - XB - I\| \geq 1$ is norm attainable.

3. Conclusion

The generalized finite operators $(AB) \in B(H) \times B(H): \|AX - XB - I\| \geq 1$ is norm attainable when implemented by norm attainable operators A, B .

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