



Antisymmetric relations of operators which satisfy specified conditions

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Abstract. This paper is provided a condition that two relations Δ and \square are equivalent. It is shown that if $T \square S$, then $(TS^\dagger)^\dagger \Delta TS^\dagger$ and $(S^\dagger T)^\dagger \Delta S^\dagger T$. Also, it is presented a condition that $T^\dagger \Delta T$ establishes.

1. Introduction

Rao, Mitra and Bhimasankaram [6] studied one of the most striking results of generalized inverses which states that for complex $m \times n$ matrices, A and B ,

$$AB^\dagger A = A, BA^\dagger B = B \implies A = B, \quad (1)$$

in which $(\cdot)^\dagger$ denotes the Moore-Penrose inverse of the matrix (\cdot) [1]. The proof given in [6] was based on the singular value decomposition theory, which is essentially nonalgebraic and finite dimensional in nature.

Hartwig [3] extracted the purely algebraic conditions, which make this result valid, and to extend the class of objects for which (1) remains true in terms of ring elements.

Hartwig [3] proved that the relations

$$T \Delta S \quad \text{iff} \quad TT^*T = TS^*T, \quad (2)$$

and

$$T \square S \quad \text{iff} \quad T = TS^\dagger T, \quad (3)$$

are both antisymmetric as well as reflexive.

The purpose of this paper is to provide a condition that two relations Δ and \square are equivalent. Also, we show that if $T \square S$, then $(TS^\dagger)^\dagger \Delta TS^\dagger$ and $(S^\dagger T)^\dagger \Delta S^\dagger T$. Moreover, we prove that if T is an idempotent operator, then $T^\dagger \Delta T$.

Xu and Sheng in [7] showed that a bounded adjointable operator between two Hilbert C^* -modules admits a bounded Moore-Penrose inverse if and only if the operator has closed range.

Throughout the paper \mathcal{A} is a C^* -algebra (not necessarily unital). A (right) pre-Hilbert module over a C^* -algebra \mathcal{A} is a complex linear space \mathcal{X} , which is an algebraic right \mathcal{A} -module and $\lambda(xa) = (\lambda x)a = x(\lambda a)$

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equipped with an \mathcal{A} -valued inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ satisfying,

- (i) $\langle x, x \rangle \geq 0$, and $\langle x, x \rangle = 0$ iff $x = 0$,
- (ii) $\langle x, y + \lambda z \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle + \lambda \langle x, z \rangle$,
- (iii) $\langle x, ya \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle a$,
- (iv) $\langle y, x \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle^*$.

for each $x, y, z \in \mathcal{X}$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, $a \in \mathcal{A}$. A pre-Hilbert \mathcal{A} -module \mathcal{X} is called a Hilbert \mathcal{A} -module if it is complete with respect to the norm $\|x\| = \|\langle x, x \rangle\|^{\frac{1}{2}}$. Left Hilbert \mathcal{A} -modules are defined in a similar way. For example every C^* -algebra \mathcal{A} is a Hilbert \mathcal{A} -module with respect to the inner product $\langle x, y \rangle = x^*y$, and every inner product space is a left Hilbert \mathbb{C} -module. Suppose that \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} are Hilbert \mathcal{A} -modules. Then $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$ is the set of all maps $T : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$ for which there is a map $T^* : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ such that $\langle Tx, y \rangle = \langle x, T^*y \rangle$ for each $x \in \mathcal{X}$, $y \in \mathcal{Y}$. It is known that any element T of $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$ must be a bounded linear operator, which is also \mathcal{A} -linear in the sense that $T(xa) = (Tx)a$ for $x \in \mathcal{X}$ and $a \in \mathcal{A}$ [4, Page 8]. We use the notations $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X})$ in place of $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{X})$, and $\ker(\cdot)$ and $\text{ran}(\cdot)$ for the kernel and the range of operators, respectively.

Theorem 1.1. [4, Theorem 3.2]. Suppose that $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$ has closed range. Then

- $\ker(T)$ is orthogonally complemented in \mathcal{X} with complement $\text{ran}(T^*)$.
- $\text{ran}(T)$ is orthogonally complemented in \mathcal{Y} with complement $\ker(T^*)$.
- The map $T^* \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{X})$ has closed range.

Definition 1.2. Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$. The Moore-Penrose inverse of T (if it exists) is an element T^\dagger of $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{X})$ satisfying

$$TT^\dagger T = T, \quad T^\dagger TT^\dagger = T^\dagger, \quad (TT^\dagger)^* = TT^\dagger, \quad (T^\dagger T)^* = T^\dagger T. \tag{4}$$

Motivated by these conditions T^\dagger is unique and $T^\dagger T$ and TT^\dagger are orthogonal projections. Clearly, T is Moore-Penrose invertible if and only if T^* is Moore-Penrose invertible, and in this case $(T^*)^\dagger = (T^\dagger)^*$.

By Definition 4, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ran}(T) &= \text{ran}(TT^\dagger), & \text{ran}(T^\dagger) &= \text{ran}(T^\dagger T) = \text{ran}(T^*), \\ \ker(T) &= \ker(T^\dagger T), & \ker(T^\dagger) &= \ker(TT^\dagger) = \ker(T^*), \end{aligned}$$

and by Theorem 1.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{X} &= \ker(T) \oplus \text{ran}(T^\dagger) = \ker(T^\dagger T) \oplus \text{ran}(T^\dagger T), \\ \mathcal{Y} &= \ker(T^\dagger) \oplus \text{ran}(T) = \ker(TT^\dagger) \oplus \text{ran}(TT^\dagger). \end{aligned}$$

A matrix form of a bounded adjointable operator $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$ can be induced by some natural decompositions of Hilbert C^* -modules. Indeed, let \mathcal{M} and \mathcal{N} be closed orthogonally complemented submodules of \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} , respectively, and let $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{M} \oplus \mathcal{M}^\perp$ and $\mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{N} \oplus \mathcal{N}^\perp$. Then T can be written as the following 2×2 matrix

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} T_1 & T_2 \\ T_3 & T_4 \end{bmatrix}, \tag{5}$$

where $T_1 \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{N})$, $T_2 \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}^\perp, \mathcal{N})$, $T_3 \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{N}^\perp)$, and $T_4 \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}^\perp, \mathcal{N}^\perp)$. In fact if $P_{\mathcal{M}}$ denotes the projection corresponding to \mathcal{M} , then $T_1 = P_{\mathcal{N}}TP_{\mathcal{M}}$, $T_2 = P_{\mathcal{N}}T(1 - P_{\mathcal{M}})$, $T_3 = (1 - P_{\mathcal{N}})TP_{\mathcal{M}}$, $T_4 = (1 - P_{\mathcal{N}})T(1 - P_{\mathcal{M}})$.

The proof of the following lemata can be found in [2] and [5].

Lemma 1.3. Suppose that $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$ has closed range. Then T has the following matrix decomposition with respect to the orthogonal decompositions of closed submodules $\mathcal{X} = \text{ran}(T^*) \oplus \ker(T)$ and $\mathcal{Y} = \text{ran}(T) \oplus \ker(T^*)$:

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} T_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} \text{ran}(T^*) \\ \ker(T) \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} \text{ran}(T) \\ \ker(T^*) \end{bmatrix},$$

where T_1 is invertible. Moreover

$$T^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} T_1^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} \text{ran}(T) \\ \text{ker}(T^*) \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} \text{ran}(T^*) \\ \text{ker}(T) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Lemma 1.4. Suppose that $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$ has closed range. Let \mathcal{X}_i and \mathcal{Y}_i , respectively, be closed submodules of \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} , $i = 1, 2$, such that $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{X}_1 \oplus \mathcal{X}_2$ and $\mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{Y}_1 \oplus \mathcal{Y}_2$. Then the operator T has the following matrix representations with respect to the orthogonal sums of submodules $\mathcal{X} = \text{ran}(T^*) \oplus \text{ker}(T)$ and $\mathcal{Y} = \text{ran}(T) \oplus \text{ker}(T^*)$:

• If

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} T_1 & T_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{X}_1 \\ \mathcal{X}_2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \text{ran}(T) \\ \text{ker}(T^*) \end{bmatrix},$$

then $E = T_1 T_1^* + T_2 T_2^* \in \mathcal{L}(\text{ran}(T))$ is positive and invertible. Moreover,

$$T^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} T_1^* E^{-1} & 0 \\ T_2^* E^{-1} & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \tag{6}$$

• If

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} T_1 & 0 \\ T_3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} \text{ran}(T^*) \\ \text{ker}(T) \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{Y}_1 \\ \mathcal{Y}_2 \end{bmatrix}, \tag{7}$$

then $F = T_1^* T_1 + T_3^* T_3 \in \mathcal{L}(\text{ran}(T^*))$ is positive and invertible. Moreover,

$$T^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} F^{-1} T_1^* & F^{-1} T_3^* \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \tag{8}$$

Theorem 1.5. [5, Theorem 2.3.]. Suppose that $T \in L(\mathcal{X})$ has closed range. Then the following assertions are equivalent:

- (i) $T = PQ$ for two projections P and Q ,
- (ii) $T^2 = TT^*T$,
- (iii) $T^* = T^\dagger T^2 T^\dagger$,
- (iv) $T = T(T^\dagger)^2 T$,
- (v) $(T^\dagger)^2 = T^\dagger$,
- (vi) $|Tx|^2 = \langle Tx, x \rangle$, for all $x \in (\text{ker}(T))^\perp$,
- (vii) $T^\dagger T^* = T^*$.

2. Main results

In the section provide a condition on two relations Δ and \square are equivalent. Also, we show that if $T \square S$, then $(TS^\dagger)^\dagger \Delta TS^\dagger$ and $(S^\dagger T)^\dagger \Delta S^\dagger T$. Moreover, we state a condition that $T^\dagger \Delta T$ establishes.

In the following theorem, we provide a condition that \square and Δ are equivalent.

Theorem 2.1. Suppose that $T, S \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y})$ with closed ranges such that $S^\dagger S T^\dagger T S = S^\dagger S T^* (S^\dagger)^*$ then $S \square T$ iff $S \Delta T$.

Proof. Since T and S have closed ranges. Then T and S have the following matrices decomposition with respect to the orthogonal decompositions of submodules $\mathcal{X} = \text{ran}(S^*) \oplus \ker(S)$ and $\mathcal{Y} = \text{ran}(T) \oplus \ker(T^*)$

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} S_1 & 0 \\ S_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} \text{ran}(S^*) \\ \ker(S) \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \text{ran}(T) \\ \ker(T^*) \end{bmatrix}, \tag{9}$$

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} T_1 & T_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} \text{ran}(S^*) \\ \ker(S) \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \text{ran}(T) \\ \ker(T^*) \end{bmatrix}. \tag{10}$$

Since $S^\dagger S T^\dagger S = S^\dagger S T^*(S^\dagger)^*$, by using Lemma 1.4, we obtain

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} T_1^* D^{-1} & 0 \\ T_2^* D^{-1} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} S_1 & 0 \\ S_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \left(\begin{bmatrix} E^{-1} S_1^* & E^{-1} S_2^* \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} T_1 & T_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)^* \\ \begin{bmatrix} T_1^* D^{-1} S_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} T_1^* S_1 E^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Hence,

$$T_1^* D^{-1} S_1 = T_1^* S_1 E^{-1}, \tag{11}$$

where $D = T_1 T_1^* + T_2 T_2^*$ and $E = S_1^* S_1 + S_2^* S_2$ are invertible.

(\implies) Since $S \square T$, by using Lemma 1.4, we have

$$S T^\dagger S = S, \tag{12}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} S_1 & 0 \\ S_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} T_1^* D^{-1} & 0 \\ T_2^* D^{-1} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} S_1 & 0 \\ S_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_1 & 0 \\ S_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \tag{13}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} S_1 T_1^* D^{-1} S_1 & 0 \\ S_2 T_1^* D^{-1} S_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_1 & 0 \\ S_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \tag{14}$$

then

$$S_1 T_1^* D^{-1} S_1 = S_1, \tag{15}$$

$$S_2 T_1^* D^{-1} S_1 = S_2. \tag{16}$$

By multiplication S_1^* and S_2^* on the left of equations (15) and (16) respectively, we get

$$S_1^* S_1 T_1^* D^{-1} S_1 = S_1^* S_1, \tag{17}$$

$$S_2^* S_2 T_1^* D^{-1} S_1 = S_2^* S_2. \tag{18}$$

By additive obtained equations, it follows that $(S_1^* S_1 + S_2^* S_2) T_1^* D^{-1} S_1 = S_1^* S_1 + S_2^* S_2$. From invertibility of $E = S_1^* S_1 + S_2^* S_2$ we conclude that

$$T_1^* D^{-1} S_1 = 1. \tag{19}$$

Now, by combination (19) and (11) we have $T_1^* S_1 E^{-1} = 1$ iff $T_1^* S_1 = E$, that is $T_1^* S_1$ is self adjoint $T_1^* S_1 = S_1^* T_1 = E$, with rewrite matrix forms, we have

$$S^\dagger S T^* S = \begin{bmatrix} T_1^* S_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} E & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = S^* S, \tag{20}$$

and

$$S^* T S^\dagger S = \begin{bmatrix} S_1^* T_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} E & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = S^* S. \tag{21}$$

By multiplication S on the left of equations (20) we get

$$S T^* S = S S^* S \Leftrightarrow S \Delta T. \tag{22}$$

(\Leftarrow) Since $S\Delta T$, then by matrix forms T and S in (9) and (10) we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} S_1 & 0 \\ S_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} S_1^* & S_2^* \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} S_1 & 0 \\ S_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_1 & 0 \\ S_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} T_1^* & 0 \\ T_2^* & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} S_1 & 0 \\ S_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} S_1 E & 0 \\ S_2 E & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_1 T_1^* S_1 & 0 \\ S_2 T_1^* S_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore,

$$S_1 E = S_1 T_1^* S_1, \tag{23}$$

$$S_2 E = S_2 T_1^* S_1. \tag{24}$$

By multiplication S_1^* and S_2^* on the left of equations (23) and (24), respectively, and additive obtained equations, it follows that

$$(S_1^* S_1 + S_2^* S_2) E = (S_1^* S_1 + S_2^* S_2) T_1^* S_1 \tag{25}$$

$$\implies E = T_1^* S_1 \tag{26}$$

Eq. (26) implies that $T_1^* S_1 E^{-1} = 1$. Since Eq. (11) holds. Then Eqs. (15) and (16) satisfy, therefore we conclude Eq. (14) holds, that is $S \square T$. \square

In the following theorem, we provide conditions that adjoint plays role Moore-Penrose inverse in reverse order law.

Theorem 2.2. Suppose that $T, S \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ with closed ranges, $T \square S$ and $S \square T$. Then $TS^\dagger = (ST^\dagger)^*$ and $ST^\dagger = (TS^\dagger)^*$

Proof. (i) Since $ST^\dagger S = S$. Hence we have $ST^\dagger SS^\dagger = SS^\dagger$, then $SS^\dagger = (ST^\dagger SS^\dagger)^* = SS^\dagger (T^\dagger)^* S^*$ and thus $S^\dagger = S^\dagger (T^\dagger)^* S^*$

$$\begin{aligned} TS^\dagger &= TS^\dagger (T^\dagger)^* S^* = TS^\dagger TT^\dagger (T^\dagger)^* S^* \\ &= (TS^\dagger T) T^\dagger (T^\dagger)^* S^* = TT^\dagger (T^\dagger)^* S^* = (T^\dagger)^* S^* = (ST^\dagger)^*. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $TS^\dagger = (ST^\dagger)^*$.

Similarly, since $TS^\dagger T = T$, then $T^\dagger = T^\dagger (S^\dagger)^* T^*$

$$\begin{aligned} ST^\dagger &= ST^\dagger (S^\dagger)^* T^* = ST^\dagger SS^\dagger (S^\dagger)^* T^* = (ST^\dagger S) S^\dagger (S^\dagger)^* T^* \\ &= SS^\dagger (S^\dagger)^* T^* = (S^\dagger)^* T^* = (TS^\dagger)^*. \end{aligned}$$

\square

Theorem 2.3. Suppose that $T, S \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ have closed ranges, $T \square S$ and $ST^\dagger = (TS^\dagger)^*$. Then $T^\dagger \square S^\dagger$.

Proof. (i) Since $TS^\dagger T = T$. Hence we have $TS^\dagger TT^\dagger = TT^\dagger$. Taking adjoint, we get $TT^\dagger (TS^\dagger)^* = TT^\dagger$. Since $ST^\dagger = (TS^\dagger)^*$, we have $TT^\dagger ST^\dagger = TT^\dagger$. Now pre multiply by T^\dagger , we get $T^\dagger \square S^\dagger$. \square

Theorem 2.4. Suppose that $T, S \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ and S has closed range. If $T \square S$, then $(TS^\dagger)^\dagger \Delta TS^\dagger$ and $(S^\dagger T)^\dagger \Delta S^\dagger T$.

Proof. Notice that, since $TS^\dagger T = T$ holds then TS^\dagger and $S^\dagger T$ are idempotent. Therefore [4, Corollary 3.3] implies that TS^\dagger and $S^\dagger T$ have closed ranges.

Multiplying $TS^\dagger T = T$ by S^\dagger on the right, we get $TS^\dagger TS^\dagger = TS^\dagger$ that is, TS^\dagger is idempotent. Hence, condition (v) of Theorem 1.5 holds, and by (v) \implies (vii) of that lemma, we conclude that $TS^\dagger ((TS^\dagger)^\dagger)^* = TS^\dagger$. Taking adjoint, we have $(TS^\dagger)^\dagger (TS^\dagger)^* = (TS^\dagger)^\dagger$. Multiplying $(TS^\dagger)^\dagger (TS^\dagger)^* = (TS^\dagger)^\dagger$ by $(TS^\dagger)^\dagger$ on the right, we get

$$(TS^\dagger)^\dagger (TS^\dagger)^* (TS^\dagger)^\dagger = (TS^\dagger)^\dagger (TS^\dagger)^\dagger = ((TS^\dagger)^\dagger)^2. \tag{27}$$

On the other hand, since TS^\dagger is idempotent. By applying Theorem 1.5 part (v) \Rightarrow (ii), implies that

$$((TS^\dagger)^\dagger)^2 = (TS^\dagger)^\dagger((TS^\dagger)^\dagger)^*(TS^\dagger)^\dagger. \quad (28)$$

Equations (27) and (28) show that

$$(TS^\dagger)^\dagger((TS^\dagger)^\dagger)^*(TS^\dagger)^\dagger = (TS^\dagger)^\dagger(TS^\dagger)^*(TS^\dagger)^\dagger.$$

That is $(TS^\dagger)^\dagger \Delta TS^\dagger$.

Also, multiplying $TS^\dagger T = T$ by S^\dagger on the left, we get $S^\dagger TS^\dagger T = S^\dagger T$ that is, $S^\dagger T$ is idempotent. Replacing TS^\dagger by $S^\dagger T$ in the above argument implies that $(S^\dagger T)^\dagger \Delta S^\dagger T$. \square

In the following theorem states a condition that $T^\dagger \Delta T$ establishes.

Theorem 2.5. *Suppose that $T \in \mathcal{L}(X)$ is idempotent, then $T^\dagger \Delta T$.*

Proof. Since T is an idempotent operator, [4, Corollary 3.3] implies that T has closed range.

Since T is idempotent, Theorem 1.5 part (v) \Rightarrow (ii), implies that

$$(T^\dagger)^2 = T^\dagger(T^\dagger)^*T^\dagger. \quad (29)$$

Again, condition (v) of Theorem 1.5 holds, and by (v) \Rightarrow (vii) of that lemma, we conclude that $T(T^\dagger)^* = (T^\dagger)^*$. Taking adjoint, we get $T^\dagger T^* = T^\dagger$. Post multiply by T^\dagger , we have

$$T^\dagger T^* T^\dagger = (T^\dagger)^2. \quad (30)$$

Thus equation (29) and (30) yields $T^\dagger \Delta T$ \square

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