

**Some Properties of Operator Classes $(M, k)^*$, $A^*[k]$
and k -* Paranormal Operator**

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Abstract

In this article we have proved that every operator in $(M, k)^*$ class for $k \geq 2$ is a k -* paranormal operator, also we give some properties about these classes. We showed that for every non-zero operators $T_1 \in B(H_1)$ and $T_2 \in B(H_2)$ their tensor product $T_1 \otimes T_2$ belongs to the $A^*[k]$ class, if and only if, T_1 and T_2 belong to the $A^*[k]$ class, for $k \geq 1$.

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1. Introduction

Let us denote by H the complex Hilbert space and $B(H)$ the space of all bounded linear operators defined in Hilbert space H . In the following we will mention some known classes of operators defined in Hilbert space H . Let T be an element in the algebra of bounded operators $B(H)$. The operator T is called quasi-normal if $T(T^*T) = (T^*T)T$, it is hyponormal if $T^*T \geq TT^*$,

which is equivalent to the condition $\|Tx\| \geq \|T^*x\|$, for all x in H . We say that an operator T is quasi-hyponormal if the following condition: $T^{*2}T^2 \geq (T^*T)^2$

holds and the last one is equivalent with $\|T^2x\| \geq \|T^*Tx\|$, for all x in H . We say that an operator T is of (M, k) class if $T^{*k}T^k \geq (T^*T)^k$, for $k \geq 2$, which

is equivalent to the condition $\|T^kx\| \geq \left\| (T^*T)^{\frac{k}{2}}x \right\|$, for all x in H and $k \geq 2$,

(see [8]). It is known that the $(M, 2)$ class coincides with the class of quasi-hyponormal operators. But, the class of hyponormal operators does not coincide with (M, k) , for any k , (see [7]). We say that an operator T is of

$(M, k)^*$ class if $T^{*k}T^k \geq (TT^*)^k$, for $k \geq 1$, which is equivalent to the condition

$\|T^kx\| \geq \left\| (TT^*)^{\frac{k}{2}}x \right\|$, for all x in H and $k \geq 1$, (see [8]). It is known that the

$(M, 1)^*$ class coincides with the class of hyponormal operators. The operator T

is called k -* paranormal if it satisfies the following condition $\|T^k x\| \geq \|T^* x\|^k$, for all unit vectors x in H and $k \geq 2$. The operator $T \in B(H)$ is of $A^*[k]$ class if $|T^k|^{2/k} \geq |T^*|^2$, for $k \geq 1$, (k - an integer). The spectrum, the point spectrum, the approximate point spectrum of an operator T are denoted by $\sigma(T)$, $\sigma_p(T)$, $\sigma_{ap}(T)$, respectively.

Theorem A. (Hölder-McCarthy inequality [1]). Let A be a positive operator. Then the following inequalities hold for all x in H

$$i) \langle A^r x, x \rangle \leq \langle Ax, x \rangle^r \|x\|^{2(1-r)}, \text{ for } 0 < r \leq 1,$$

$$ii) \langle A^r x, x \rangle \geq \langle Ax, x \rangle^r \|x\|^{2(1-r)}, \text{ for } r \geq 1.$$

Proposition A. [6]. Let $T_1, T_2 \in B(H_1)$, $S_1, S_2 \in B(H_2)$ be non-negative operators. If T_1 and S_1 are non-zero operators, then the following assertions are equivalent

$$i) T_1 \otimes S_1 \leq T_2 \otimes S_2,$$

$$ii) \text{ There exists } c > 0 \text{ such that } T_1 \leq cT_2 \text{ and } S_1 \leq c^{-1}S_2.$$

Proposition B. [3]. For every $\alpha, \beta \in C$, $T, T_1, T_2 \in B(H_1)$ and $S, S_1, S_2 \in B(H_2)$,

$$i). \alpha\beta(T \otimes S) = \alpha T \otimes \beta S,$$

$$ii). (T_1 + T_2) \otimes (S_1 + S_2) = T_1 \otimes S_1 + T_2 \otimes S_1 + T_1 \otimes S_2 + T_2 \otimes S_2,$$

$$iv). (T_1 \otimes S_1)(T_2 \otimes S_2) = T_1 T_2 \otimes S_1 S_2,$$

$$v). (T \otimes S)^* = T^* \otimes S^*,$$

$$vi). \|T \otimes S\| = \|T\| \|S\|.$$

If T and S are invertible, then so is $T \otimes S$ and

$$vii). (T \otimes S)^{-1} = T^{-1} \otimes S^{-1}.$$

2. Classes of operators $(M, k)^*$, $A^*[k]$ and k -*paranormal in Hilbert space

In this section we will show some properties of $(M, k)^*$, $A^*[k]$ classes and k -*paranormal operators.

Proposition 2.1. For each positive integer $k \geq 1$ an operator T belongs to class $(M, k)^*$ if and only if

$$T^{*k}T^k + 2\lambda(TT^*)^k + \lambda^2T^{*k}T^k \geq 0,$$

holds for all $\lambda \in R$.

Proof. Let $\lambda \in R$ and $x \in H$ be given. Then $T \in (M, k)^*$, if and only if

$$\left\| (TT^*)^{\frac{k}{2}} x \right\| \leq \|T^k x\| \Leftrightarrow 4 \left\| (TT^*)^{\frac{k}{2}} x \right\|^4 - 4 \cdot \|T^k x\|^2 \cdot \|T^k x\|^2 \leq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \|T^k x\|^2 + 2\lambda \left\| (TT^*)^{\frac{k}{2}} x \right\|^2 + \lambda^2 \|T^k x\|^2 \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \langle T^k x, T^k x \rangle + 2\lambda \langle (TT^*)^{\frac{k}{2}} x, (TT^*)^{\frac{k}{2}} x \rangle + \lambda^2 \langle T^k x, T^k x \rangle \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \langle T^{*k} T^k x, x \rangle + 2\lambda \langle (TT^*)^k x, x \rangle + \lambda^2 \langle T^{*k} T^k x, x \rangle \geq 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Leftrightarrow \langle (T^{*k}T^k + 2\lambda(TT^*)^k + \lambda^2T^{*k}T^k)x, x \rangle \geq 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow T^{*k}T^k + 2\lambda(TT^*)^k + \lambda^2T^{*k}T^k \geq 0, \end{aligned}$$

by which the proof is completed. ■

Corollary 2.1. If $k = 1$, we get the following relation $T^*T \geq TT^*$ if and only if $T^*T + 2\lambda TT^* + \lambda^2T^*T \geq 0$, for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, which is the definition of the hyponormal operator.

Lemma 2.1. If T is a bilateral weighted shift operator, with weighted sequence ω_n , $(Te_n = \omega_n e_{n+1})$, then it is of $(M, k)^*$ class if and only if

$$|\omega_n| \cdot |\omega_{n+1}| \cdot \dots \cdot |\omega_{n+k-1}| \geq |\omega_{n-1}|^k, \text{ for } n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } k \geq 1.$$

Proof. The proof follows immediately from the definition of $(M, k)^*$ class. ■

Example 2.1. Let $T \in B(H)$ be a bilateral weighted shift with weighted sequence (ω_n) given as follows

$$\omega_n = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}, & \text{for } n \leq -1 \\ 2, & \text{for } n = 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{for } n = 1 \\ 4, & \text{for } n = 2 \\ 16, & \text{for } n \geq 3. \end{cases}$$

After some calculations, we have that $T \in (M, 3)^*$, but $T \notin (M, k)^*$, for $k = 1, 2$ (see lemma 2.1.).

Example 2.2. Let $T \in B(H)$ be a bilateral weighted shift with weighted sequence (ω_n) given by the formula

$$\omega_n = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3}, & \text{for } n \leq -1 \\ 1, & \text{for } n = 0 \\ \frac{1}{3}, & \text{for } n = 1 \\ 3, & \text{for } n = 2 \\ \frac{1}{9}, & \text{for } n = 3 \\ 729, & \text{for } n \geq 4. \end{cases}$$

After some calculations, it follows that $T \in (M, 2)^*$, but $T \notin (M, k)^*$, for $k = 1, 3$ (see lemma 2.1.).

Example 2.3. (See Theorem 2.3. in [10]). Let $T \in B(H)$ be a bilateral weighted shift with weighted sequence (ω_n) given as follows

$$\omega_n = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}, & \text{for } n \leq -1 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, & \text{for } n = 0 \\ \frac{n}{n+1}, & \text{for } n \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

For $n = 1$, by Lemma 2.1, we have $\omega_1 \cdot \omega_2 \cdot \dots \cdot \omega_k \geq \omega_0^k$, for $k \geq 1$. Therefore T is in $(M, k)^*$ class, for $k \geq 2$ but it is not hyponormal, because $\omega_0 > \omega_1$.

Proposition 2.2. For each positive $k \geq 2$, T is a k -*-paranormal if and only if

$$T^{*k}T^k - k\lambda^{k-1}TT^* + (k-1)\lambda^k I \geq 0, \quad (4)$$

holds for all $\lambda > 0$.

Proof. Suppose T is a k -*-paranormal and x is a unit vector in H . By generalized arithmetic-geometric mean inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{k} \langle \lambda^{1-k} T^k x, T^k x \rangle + \frac{k-1}{k} \langle \lambda x, x \rangle &\geq \langle \lambda^{1-k} T^k x, T^k x \rangle^{\frac{1}{k}} \langle \lambda x, x \rangle^{\frac{k-1}{k}} \\ &= \lambda^{\frac{1-k}{k}} \langle T^k x, T^k x \rangle^{\frac{1}{k}} \lambda^{\frac{k-1}{k}} \langle x, x \rangle^{\frac{k-1}{k}} \\ &= \|T^k x\|^{\frac{2}{k}} \geq \|T^* x\|^2 = \langle TT^* x, x \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda^{1-k} \langle T^{*k} T^k x, x \rangle + \lambda(k-1) \langle x, x \rangle - k \langle TT^* x, x \rangle &\geq 0 \\ \langle (T^{*k} T^k - k\lambda^{k-1} TT^* + (k-1)\lambda^k I)x, x \rangle &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $T^{*k} T^k - k\lambda^{k-1} TT^* + (k-1)\lambda^k I \geq 0$, for all $\lambda > 0$.

Conversely. Let $x \in H$, $\|x\|=1$ and $\lambda = \langle T^* x, T^* x \rangle > 0$. Then if we put

$\lambda = \langle T^* x, T^* x \rangle > 0$ in (4) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle T^k x, T^k x \rangle - k \langle T^* x, T^* x \rangle^{k-1} \langle T^* x, T^* x \rangle + (k-1) \langle T^* x, T^* x \rangle^k &\geq 0 \\ \|T^k x\|^2 - k \|T^* x\|^{2k} + (k-1) \|T^* x\|^{2k} &\geq 0 \\ \|T^k x\|^2 - \|T^* x\|^{2k} &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\|T^k x\| \geq \|T^* x\|^k$, respectively T is a k -*paranormal. ■

Corollary 2.2. If $k = 2$, we get the following relation $\|T^* x\|^2 \leq \|T^2 x\|^2$ if and only if $T^{*2} T^2 - 2\lambda TT^* + \lambda^2 I \geq 0$, for all $\lambda > 0$ and $x \in H, \|x\|=1$, which is the definition of the *paranormal operator.

Proposition 2.3. Let T be a regular k -*paranormal operator. Then the approximate point spectrum lies in the disc

$$\sigma_{ap}(T) \subseteq \left\{ \lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \frac{\|T\|}{(\|T^{*-1}\| \cdot \|T\|)^k} \leq |\lambda| \leq \|T\| \right\}.$$

Proof. Suppose T is a regular k -*paranormal operator, for $k \geq 2$. Then for every unit vector x in H , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x\|^k &= \|T^{*-1}T^*x\|^k \leq \|T^{*-1}\|^k \cdot \|T^*x\|^k \leq \|T^{*-1}\|^k \cdot \|T^kx\| \\ &1 \leq \|T^{*-1}\|^k \cdot \|T^{k-1}\| \cdot \|Tx\| \\ \|Tx\| &\geq \frac{1}{\|T^{*-1}\|^k \|T^{k-1}\|} \geq \frac{1}{\|T^{*-1}\|^k \|T\|^{k-1}}. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Now, assume that $\lambda \in \sigma_{ap}$. Then there exists a sequence (x_n) , $\|x_n\|=1$, such that $\|(T - \lambda)x_n\| \rightarrow 0$, when $n \rightarrow \infty$. Therefore by (5) we have

$$\|Tx_n - \lambda x_n\| \geq \|Tx_n\| - |\lambda| \|x_n\| \geq \frac{1}{\|T^{*-1}\|^k \|T\|^{k-1}} - |\lambda|. \quad (6)$$

Now, when $n \rightarrow \infty$, from relation (6) we have

$$|\lambda| \geq \frac{1}{\|T^{*-1}\|^k \|T\|^{k-1}} = \frac{\|T\|}{(\|T^{*-1}\| \cdot \|T\|)^k},$$

respectively

$$\sigma_{ap}(T) \subseteq \left\{ \lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \frac{\|T\|}{(\|T^{*-1}\| \cdot \|T\|)^k} \leq |\lambda| \leq \|T\| \right\}.$$

Therefore the proof is completed. ■

Corollary 2.3. Let T be a regular *paranormal operator. Then the following relation

$$\sigma_{ap}(T) \subseteq \left\{ \lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \frac{\|T\|}{(\|T^{*-1}\| \cdot \|T\|)^2} \leq |\lambda| \leq \|T\| \right\}$$

holds.

Proposition 2.4. Let T be a regular k -paranormal operator. Then the approximate point spectrum lies in the disc

$$\sigma_{ap}(T) \subseteq \left\{ \lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \frac{\|T\|}{(\|T^{-1}\| \cdot \|T\|)^k} \leq |\lambda| \leq \|T\| \right\}.$$

Proof. The proof is similar with the proof of the Proposition 2.3. ■

Theorem 2.1. If $T \in (M, k)^*$, $k \geq 2$, then T is k -*paranormal operator.

Proof. Firstly we will prove that every operator T that belongs to the $(M, k)^*$ it belongs to $A^*[k]$ class, also. If $T \in (M, k)^*$ then we have

$$|T^k|^{\frac{2}{k}} = (T^{*k} T^k)^{\frac{1}{k}} \geq (TT^*)^{k \cdot \frac{1}{k}} = TT^* = |T^*|^2.$$

Hence $|T^k|^{\frac{2}{k}} \geq |T^*|^2$, for $k \geq 2$, respectively $T \in A^*[k]$.

In the following let $T \in A^*[k]$, $k \geq 2$. Then for every unit vector $x \in H$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|T^k x\|^2 &= \langle T^k x, T^k x \rangle = \langle T^{*k} T^k x, x \rangle = \langle |T^k|^2 x, x \rangle = \langle |T^k|^{\frac{2}{k} k} x, x \rangle \\ &\geq \langle |T^k|^{\frac{2}{k}} x, x \rangle^k \quad (\text{H\"older-McCarthy inequality}) \\ &\geq \langle |T^*|^2 x, x \rangle^k = \langle TT^* x, x \rangle^k = \langle T^* x, T^* x \rangle^k = \|T^* x\|^{2k}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, $\|T^k x\| \geq \|T^* x\|^k$, for $k \geq 2$, respectively T is k -*paranormal, and

the proof is completed. ■

Corollary 2.4. Let $T \in B(H)$ be a quasi-normal operator. If T is a hyponormal operator then T is a k -*paranormal.

Proof. The proof of this corollary is the direct consequence of the theorem 3.11 in [7] and theorem 2.1. ■

Corollary 2.5. If $T \in (M, k+1)$ has dense range in H , then it is k -*paranormal.

Proof. This proof follows from theorem 3.8 in [7] and theorem 2.1. ■

Remark 2.1. For $k = 2$ we obtain theorem 3.7 in [7].

Theorem 2.2. Let T belongs to the $A^*[k]$ class, where $k \geq 1$ and let α

be an eigenvalue of the operator T . Further, let $T = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha I & 0 \\ 0 & T_1 \end{bmatrix}$ be the matrix

representation in $H = \ker(T - \alpha I) \oplus \ker(T - \alpha I)^\perp$, where T_1 is defined in the subspace $\ker(T - \alpha I)^\perp$. Then $T_1 \in A^*[k]$, for $k \geq 1$.

Proof. Assume that $T \in A^*[k]$, $k \geq 1$, then we have

$$0 \leq |T^k|^{\frac{2}{k}} - |T^*|^2 = \begin{bmatrix} |\alpha|^2 & 0 \\ 0 & |T_1^k|^{\frac{2}{k}} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} |\alpha|^2 & 0 \\ 0 & |T_1^*|^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & |T_1^k|^{\frac{2}{k}} - |T_1^*|^2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since $\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & C \end{bmatrix} \geq 0$ if and only if $A \geq 0$ and $C \geq 0$, it follows that

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & |T_1^k|^{\frac{2}{k}} - |T_1^*|^2 \end{bmatrix} \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow |T_1^k|^{\frac{2}{k}} - |T_1^*|^2 \geq 0,$$

Hence $\left|T_1^k\right|^{\frac{2}{k}} \geq\left|T_1^*\right|^2$, for $k \geq 1$, respectively $T_1 \in A^*[k]$.■

Let H_1 and H_2 denotes the Hilbert spaces. For given non-zero operators $T_1 \in B(H_1)$ and $T_2 \in B(H_2)$, $T_1 \otimes T_2$ denotes the tensor on the product space $H_1 \otimes H_2$. Tensor product of two non-zero operators satisfy the following equalities

a) $(T_1 \otimes T_2)^*(T_1 \otimes T_2)=T_1^* T_1 \otimes T_2^* T_2$

b). $\left|T_1 \otimes T_2\right|^p=\left|T_1\right|^p \otimes\left|T_2\right|^p$ for any positive real number p .

Theorem 2.3. Let $T_1 \in B(H_1)$ and $T_2 \in B(H_2)$ are non-zero operators. Then $T_1 \otimes T_2$ belongs to the $A^*[k]$ class, if and only if, T_1 and T_2 belong to the $A^*[k]$ class, for $k \geq 1$.

Proof. Let we suppose that T_1 and T_2 belong to the $A^*[k]$ class for $k \geq 1$. Then by Proposition B and from the properties of the tensor product of operators we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left|\left(T_1 \otimes T_2\right)^k\right|^{\frac{2}{k}} &=\left|T_1^k \otimes T_2^k\right|^{\frac{2}{k}}=\left|T_1^k\right|^{\frac{2}{k}} \otimes\left|T_2^k\right|^{\frac{2}{k}} \\ &\geq\left|T_1^*\right|^2 \otimes\left|T_2^*\right|^2=\left|T_1^* \otimes T_2^*\right|^2=\left|\left(T_1 \otimes T_2\right)^*\right|^2 . \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\left|\left(T_1 \otimes T_2\right)^k\right|^{\frac{2}{k}} \geq\left|\left(T_1 \otimes T_2\right)^*\right|^2$, respectively $T_1 \otimes T_2$ belongs to the $A^*[k]$ class.

Conversely. Assume that $T_1 \otimes T_2$ belongs to the $A^*[k]$ class, then by

Proposition B it follows that

$$|T_1^*|^2 \otimes |T_2^*|^2 = |T_1^* \otimes T_2^*|^2 = |(T_1 \otimes T_2)^*|^2 \leq |(T_1 \otimes T_2)^k|^{\frac{2}{k}} = |T_1^k|^{\frac{2}{k}} \otimes |T_2^k|^{\frac{2}{k}}.$$

Now by Proposition A, there exists a positive real number c such that

$$|T_1^*|^2 \leq c |T_1^k|^{\frac{2}{k}} \quad \text{and} \quad |T_2^*|^2 \leq c^{-1} |T_2^k|^{\frac{2}{k}}. \quad (7)$$

Hence, by Theorem A for every unit vector $x \in H_1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|T_1^*\|^2 &= \sup_{\|x\|=1} \langle T_1^* x, T_1^* x \rangle = \sup_{\|x\|=1} \langle T_1 T_1^* x, x \rangle \\ &= \sup_{\|x\|=1} \langle |T_1^*|^2 x, x \rangle \leq \sup_{\|x\|=1} \langle c |T_1^k|^{\frac{2}{k}} x, x \rangle \\ &= c \sup_{\|x\|=1} \langle |T_1^k|^{\frac{2}{k}} x, x \rangle \leq c \sup_{\|x\|=1} \langle |T_1^k|^2 x, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{k}} \\ &= c \sup_{\|x\|=1} \langle T_1^k x, T_1^k x \rangle^{\frac{1}{k}} = c \|T_1^k\|^{\frac{2}{k}} \leq c \|T_1\|^2 = c \|T_1^*\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\|T_1^*\| \leq \sqrt{c} \|T_1^*\|$ in H_1 . Similarly we prove that $\|T_2^*\| \leq \sqrt{c^{-1}} \|T_2^*\|$ in

H_2 . Finally, from the above two inequalities and from inequalities (7), it follows

that $c = 1$ and therefore $T_1, T_2 \in A^*[k]$. ■

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