# Numerical range and a conjugation on a Banach space

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#### Abstract

We introduce a conjugation on a Banach space  $\mathcal{X}$  and show properties of a conjugation. After that we show properties of numerical ranges of operators concerning with a conjugation C. Next we introduce (m, C)-symmetric and (m, C)-isometric operators on a Banach space and show spectral properties of such operators.

## 1 Conjugation on a Banach space

First we explain a conjugation on a complex Hilbert space.

**Definition 1.1** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a complex Hilbert space. An operator C on  $\mathcal{H}$  is antilinear if it holds that, for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$ ,

$$C(ax+by) = \overline{a}\,Cx + \overline{b}\,Cy.$$

Antilinear operator C is said to be a conjugation if it holds that, for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$ ,

$$C^2 = I \text{ and } \langle Cx, Cy \rangle = \langle y, x \rangle,$$

where I is the identity operator on  $\mathcal{H}$ .

If C is a conjugation, then ||Cx|| = ||x|| for all  $x \in \mathcal{H}$ . For a bounded linear operator T on a complex Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ , let  $\sigma(T)$ ,  $\sigma_p(T)$ ,  $\sigma_a(T)$ ,  $\sigma_s(T)$ ,  $\sigma_e(T)$  and  $\sigma_w(T)$  denote the spectrum, the point spectrum, the approximate spectrum, the surjective spectrum, the sesential spectrum and the Weyl spectrum of T, respectively. Then the following result is important.

**Theorem 1.1** (S. Jung, E. Ko and J. E. Lee, [3]) Let C be conjugation on  $\mathcal{H}$ . Then it holds the following statement hold:

$$\sigma(CTC) = \overline{\sigma(T)}, \ \sigma_p(CTC) = \overline{\sigma_p(T)}, \ \sigma_a(CTC) = \overline{\sigma_a(T)},$$
  
$$\sigma_s(CTC) = \overline{\sigma_s(T)}, \ \sigma_e(CTC) = \overline{\sigma_e(T)} \ and \ \sigma_w(CTC) = \overline{\sigma_w(T)},$$

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where  $\overline{E} = \{\overline{z} : z \in E\} \subset \mathbb{C}$ .

S. Jung, E. Ko and J. E. Lee, On complex symmetric operator matrices, J. Math. Anal. Appl., 406(2013), 373-385. This case doesn't need  $CTC = T^*$ . Only relation between T and CTC. Next we explain a conjugation on a Banach space.

**Definition 1.2** Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a complex Banach space with the norm  $\|\cdot\|$  and C be an operator on  $\mathcal{X}$ . If C satisfies the following, then C is said to be a conjugation on a Banach space  $\mathcal{X}$ . For all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ ,

(\*)  $C^2 = I, \ C(\alpha x + \beta y) = \overline{\alpha}Cx + \overline{\beta}Cy \ and \ \|C\| \le 1,$ 

where I is the identity operator on  $\mathcal{X}$ .

Of course, from the definition it holds ||Cx|| = ||x|| for all  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ .

**Theorem 1.2** If C satisfies (\*) on a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  with the inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ , then  $\langle Cx, Cy \rangle = \langle y, x \rangle$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{H}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in \mathcal{H}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and let Cy = z. Since

$$||Cx + \alpha z|| = ||C(x + \alpha Cz)|| \le ||x + \alpha Cz|| = ||C(Cx + \alpha z)|| \le ||Cx + \alpha z||,$$

we have  $||Cx + \alpha z|| = ||x + \alpha Cz||$ . By taking square, we have  $\operatorname{Re}\langle Cx, z \rangle = \operatorname{Re}\langle Cz, x \rangle$  and

 $\operatorname{Re} \langle Cx, Cy \rangle = \operatorname{Re} \langle Cx, z \rangle = \operatorname{Re} \langle Cz, x \rangle = \operatorname{Re} \langle C^2y, x \rangle = \operatorname{Re} \langle y, x \rangle.$ 

By taking ix instead of x, we have Im  $\langle Cx, Cy \rangle = \text{Im } \langle y, x \rangle$  and  $\langle Cx, Cy \rangle = \langle y, x \rangle$ .  $\Box$ 

**Example 1.1** Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space and  $\mathcal{X} = B(\mathcal{H})$ . For conjugations C, J on  $\mathcal{H}$ ,  $M_{CJ}$  on  $\mathcal{X}$  is defined by

 $M_{CJ}(T) := CTJ \ (T \in B(\mathcal{H}) = \mathcal{X}).$ 

Then  $M_{CJ}$  is a conjugation on a Banach space  $\mathcal{X}$ .

**Definition 1.3** Let C be a conjugation on a Banach space  $\mathcal{X}$ . The dual operator  $C^*$ :  $\mathcal{X}^* \longrightarrow \mathcal{X}^*$  of C is defined by

$$(C^*(f))(x) = \overline{f(Cx)} \quad (x \in \mathcal{X}, \ f \in \mathcal{X}^*),$$

where  $\mathcal{X}^*$  is the dual space of  $\mathcal{X}$  and f(Cx) is the complex conjugate of f(Cx).

**Theorem 1.3** If C is a conjugation on  $\mathcal{X}$ , then  $C^*$  is a conjugation on  $\mathcal{X}^*$ .

*Proof.* It is clear that  $C^{*2} = I^*$  and

$$C^*(f+g) = C^*(f) + C^*(g) \text{ for all } f, g \in \mathcal{X}^*.$$

For  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ , it holds  $(C^*(\lambda f))(x) = \overline{\lambda} \ \overline{f(Cx)} = \overline{\lambda} \ (C^*f)(x)$  and  $C^*(\lambda f) = \overline{\lambda} \ C^*(f)$ . Since, for all  $f \in \mathcal{X}^*$ , it holds

$$|(C^*f)(x)| = |\overline{f(Cx)}| \le ||f|| ||Cx|| = ||f|| ||x||,$$

we have  $||C^*f|| \le ||f||$  and  $||C^*|| \le 1$ .  $\Box$ 

The same results hold for spectral properties of an operator on a Banach space concerning with a conjugation.

**Theorem 1.4** Let  $T \in B(\mathcal{X})$  and C be a conjugation on  $\mathcal{X}$ . Then it holds the following :

$$\sigma(CTC) = \overline{\sigma(T)}, \ \sigma_a(CTC) = \overline{\sigma_a(T)}, \ \sigma_p(CTC) = \overline{\sigma_p(T)} \ and \ \sigma_s(CTC) = \overline{\sigma_s(T)}.$$

## 2 Numerical range of Banach space operator

In this section, we explain definition of the numerical range V(T) of T on a Banach space  $\mathcal{X}$ .

**Definition 2.1** Let  $\Pi$  be the set

$$\Pi := \{ (x, f) \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X}^* : \|f\| = f(x) = \|x\| = 1 \}.$$

For an operator  $T \in B(\mathcal{X})$ , the numerical range V(T) of T is given by

$$V(T) = \{ f(Tx) : (x, f) \in \Pi \}.$$

**Defitinion 2.2** For  $T \in B(\mathcal{X})$ ;

• T is Hermitian if  $V(T) \subset \mathbb{R}$ .

• T is positive if  $V(T) \subset [0, \infty)$ . In this case, we write  $T \ge 0$ .

• T is normal if there exist Hermitian operators H and K such that T = H + iK and HK = KH.

• T is hyponormal if there exist Hermitian operators H and K such that T = H + iKand  $i(HK - KH) \ge 0$ .

**Theorem 2.1** If  $(x, f) \in \Pi$ , then  $(Cx, C^*f) \in \Pi$ .

*Proof.* Let  $(x, f) \in \Pi$ . Then ||f|| = f(x) = ||x|| = 1.

$$(C^*f)(Cx) = \overline{f(C^2x)} = \overline{f(x)} = 1$$

Since ||Cx|| = ||x|| = 1, we have

$$||C^*f|| = \sup_{||x||=1} |(C^*f)(x)| = \sup_{||x||=1} |f(Cx)| \le ||f|| ||Cx|| = 1.$$

Therefore, we have  $||C^*f|| \leq 1$  and  $||C^*f|| = 1$  and so  $(Cx, C^*f) \in \Pi$ .  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 2.2** Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a complex Banach space,  $T \in B(\mathcal{X})$  and C be a conjugation on  $\mathcal{X}$ . Then  $V(CTC) = \overline{V(T)}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $z \in V(CTC)$ . Then there exists  $(x, f) \in \Pi$  such that z = f(CTCx). We obtain  $z = \overline{(C^*f)(TCx)}$ . Since  $(Cx, C^*f) \in \Pi$ , we have  $z \in \overline{V(T)}$  and  $V(CTC) \subset \overline{V(T)}$ . Therefore, we have  $V(T) = V(C^2TC^2) \subset \overline{V(CTC)}$  and  $V(CTC) = \overline{V(T)}$ 

**Theorem 2.3** Let  $T \in B(\mathcal{X})$  and C be a conjugation on  $\mathcal{X}$ . Then following results hold. (1) T is Hermitian if and only if CTC is Hermitian.

- (2) T is positive if and only if CTC is positive.
- (3) T is normal if and only if CTC is normal.
- (4) T is hyponormal if and only if CTC is hyponormal.
- (5) T is compact if and only if CTC is compact.

#### Definition 2.3

• Denote by  $V_{\omega}(T)$  the set of all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  such that there exists a sequence  $(x_n, f_n) \in \Pi$  which satisfies w-lim  $x_n = 0$  and lim  $f_n(Tx_n) = z$ . The set  $V_{\omega}(T)$  is said to be the sequential essential numerical range of T.

• For an operator  $T \in B(\mathcal{X})$ , the the essential numerical range  $V_e(T)$  of T is given by

$$V_e(T) := \{ \mathcal{F}(T) : \mathcal{F} \in B(\mathcal{X})^*, \|\mathcal{F}\| = \mathcal{F}(I) = 1, \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{X})) = \{0\} \},\$$

where  $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{X})$  is the set of all compact operators on  $\mathcal{X}$ .

• Denote by  $W_e(T)$  the set of all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  with the property that there are nets  $(x_\alpha) \subset \mathcal{X}, (f_\alpha) \subset \mathcal{X}^*$  such that  $||f_\alpha|| = f_\alpha(x_\alpha) = 1 \ (\forall \alpha), x_\alpha \to 0 \ (weakly) \ and \ f_\alpha(x_\alpha) \to z$ . The set  $W_e(T)$  is said to be the spatial essential numerical range of T.

**Theorem 2.4** For any conjugation C, w-lim  $x_n = 0$  if and only if w-lim  $Cx_n = 0$ .

Proof. Assume w-  $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_n = 0$ . Then, for any  $f \in \mathcal{X}^*$ , since  $C^* f \in \mathcal{X}^*$ , we have  $f(Cx_n) = \overline{(C^*f)(x_n)} \to 0$ . Hence w-  $\lim_{n\to\infty} Cx_n = 0$ . Since  $x_n = C^2 x_n$ , the converse is clear.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 2.5** For any conjugation C,  $V_{\omega}(CTC) = \overline{V_{\omega}(T)}$  and  $W_e(CTC) = \overline{W_e(T)}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $z \in V_{\omega}(CTC)$ . There exists a sequence  $\{(x_n, f_n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  of  $\Pi$  such that w- $\lim_{n \to \infty} x_n = 0$  and  $\lim_{n \to \infty} f_n(CTCx_n) = z$ . We have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} (C^* f_n)(TCx_n) = \overline{\lim_{n \to \infty} f_n(CTCx_n)} = \overline{z}.$$

Since  $(Cx_n, C^*f_n) \in \Pi$  and  $w \lim_{n \to \infty} Cx_n = 0$  by Theorem2.4, we obtain  $\overline{z} \in V_{\omega}(T)$  and  $\overline{V_{\omega}(CTC)} \subset V_{\omega}(T)$ . Hence we have  $V_{\omega}(T) = V_{\omega}(C^2TC^2) \subset \overline{V_{\omega}(CTC)}$  and  $V_{\omega}(CTC) = \overline{V_{\omega}(T)}$ . The proof of  $W_e(CTC) = \overline{W_e(T)}$  is almost the same.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 2.6** For any conjugation C,  $V_e(CTC) = V_e(T)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{F}(CTC) \in V_e(CTC)$ . Then there exists  $\mathcal{F} \in B(\mathcal{X})^*$  such that  $||\mathcal{F}|| = \mathcal{F}(I) = 1$ ,  $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{X})) = \{0\}$ . Since

$$|C^*\mathcal{F}(T)| = |\overline{\mathcal{F}(CTC)}| \le ||\mathcal{F}|| \cdot ||CTC|| \le ||T||$$

and

$$C^*\mathcal{F}(I) = \overline{\mathcal{F}(CIC)} = \overline{\mathcal{F}(I)} = \overline{1} = 1,$$

we have  $||C^*\mathcal{F}|| = 1$ . Moreover, by Theorem 2.3 (5),  $C^*\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{X})) = \{0\}$ . Therefore, we obtain  $\overline{\mathcal{F}(CTC)} \in \overline{V_e(T)}$  and so  $V_e(CTC) \subset \overline{V_e(T)}$ . Hence we have  $V_e(T) = V_e(C^2TC^2) \subset \overline{V_e(CTC)}$  and  $V_e(CTC) = \overline{V_e(T)}$ .  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 2.7** Let  $T \in B(\mathcal{X})$  and C be a conjugation on  $\mathcal{X}$ . Then following results hold. (1)  $x \in \ker(T)$  if and only if  $Cx \in \ker(CTC)$ . (2)  $x \in R(T)$  if and only if  $Cx \in R(CTC)$ . (3) R(T) is closed if and only if R(CTC) is closed.

Proof. (1) If  $x \in \ker(T)$ , then we have (CTC)Cx = CTx = 0 and hence  $Cx \in \ker(CTC)$ . Conversely, if  $Cx \in \ker(CTC)$ , then we obtain  $x = C^2x \in \ker(C^2TC^2) = \ker(T)$ . (2) Let  $x \in R(T)$ . Since  $\exists y \in \mathcal{X}$ ; x = Ty, it follows that Cx = CTy = CTC(Cy) and hence  $Cx \in R(CTC)$ . Conversely, if  $Cx \in R(CTC)$ , then  $x = C^2x \in R(C^2TC^2) = R(T)$ . (3)Let R(T) be closed and  $\{x_n\} \subset R(CTC)$  be a Cauchy sequence. By Theorem 2.7 (2), it follows  $Cx_n \in R(C^2TC^2) = R(T)$ . Since

$$||Cx_m - Cx_n|| \le ||C|| ||x_m - x_n|| \to 0 \text{ as } m, n \to \infty,$$

 $\{Cx_n\} \subset R(T)$  is a Cauchy sequence. Since R(T) is closed,  $\exists x_0 \in R(T)$ ;  $x_0 = \lim_{n \to \infty} Cx_n$ . Then  $x_n = C^2 x_n \to Cx_0$  and by Theorem 2.7 (2), we have  $Cx_0 \in R(CTC)$ . Therefore, R(CTC) is closed. Conversely if R(CTC) is closed, then  $R(T) = R(C^2TC^2)$  is closed.  $\Box$ 

**Definition 2.4** Let  $\sigma_{eap}(T)$  denote the set of all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  such that there exists a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  of unit vectors which satisfies  $x_n \to 0$  (weakly) and  $(T-z)x_n \to 0$ . The set  $\sigma_{eap}(T)$  is said to be the essential approximate point spectrum of T.

**Theorem 2.8** For  $T \in B(\mathcal{X})$  and any conjugation C,  $\sigma_{eap}(CTC) = \overline{\sigma_{eap}(T)}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $z \in \sigma_{eap}(CTC)$ . Take a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  of unit vectors such that  $x_n \to 0$  (weakly) and  $(CTC - z)x_n \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ . We have

$$C(T - \overline{z})Cx_n = (CTC - z)x_n \to 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$

Thus we obtain  $(T - \overline{z})Cx_n \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ . Since  $||Cx_n|| = ||x_n|| = 1$  and  $Cx_n \to 0$ (weakly), we have  $\overline{z} \in \sigma_{eap}(T)$  and hence  $\overline{\sigma_{eap}(CTC)} \subset \overline{\sigma_{eap}(T)}$ . Therefore, we obtain  $\sigma_{eap}(T) = \sigma_{eap}(C^2TC^2) \subset \overline{\sigma_{eap}(CTC)}$  and  $\sigma_{eap}(CTC) = \overline{\sigma_{eap}(T)}$ .  $\Box$  **Definition 2.5** An operator  $T \in B(\mathcal{X})$  is Fredholm if and only if there exists operators  $S_1, S_2 \in B(\mathcal{X})$  such that  $TS_1 - I$  and  $S_2T - I$  are compact operators. The essential spectrum  $\sigma_e$  of T is the set of all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  such that T - z is not Fredholm.

We have the following results.

**Theorem 2.9** For  $T \in B(\mathcal{X})$  and a conjugation C on  $\mathcal{X}$ , T is Fredholm if and only if CTC is Fredholm.

**Theorem 2.10** For  $T \in B(\mathcal{X})$ ,  $\sigma_e(CTC) = \overline{\sigma_e(T)}$ .

These definitions (numerical range, Fredholm, essential spectrum and others) are from the following paper: Barraa and Müller; On the essential numerical range, Acta Sci. Math. (Szeged) **71** (2005), 285-298.

## **3** (m, C)-Symmetric Operators on a Banach space

We introduce and show some properties of (m, C)-symmetric operators on a Banach space.

**Definition 3.1** For an operator  $T \in B(\mathcal{X})$  and a conjugation C on  $\mathcal{X}$ , we define an operator  $\alpha_m(T; C)$  by

$$\alpha_m(T;C) := \sum_{j=0}^m (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} CT^{m-j} CT^j.$$

An operator T is said to be (m, C)-symmetry if  $\alpha_m(T; C) = 0$ .

It hold that

$$CTC \alpha_m(T;C) - \alpha_m(T;C) T = \alpha_{m+1}(T;C)$$

Hence if T is (m, C)-symmetry, then T is (n, C)-symmetry for every  $n \ge m$ .

**Example 3.1** If Q is an n-nilpotent operator on  $\mathcal{X}$ , then Q is (2n-1, C)-symmetry for any conjugation C.

*Proof.* By the definition, we have

$$\alpha_{2n-1}(Q;C) := \sum_{j=0}^{2n-1} (-1)^j \binom{2n-1}{j} CQ^{2n-1-j} CQ^j.$$

When  $0 \le j \le n-1$ , we have  $Q^{2n-1-j} = 0$ . When  $j \ge n$ , we obtain  $Q^j = 0$ . Therefore, we conclude  $\alpha_{2n-1}(Q; C) = 0$ .  $\Box$ 

**Example 3.2** Let  $T \in B(\mathcal{H})$  satisfy  $\sum_{j=0}^{m} (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} CT^{m-j}CT^j = 0$  for some conjugation

C on a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ . We define a conjugation  $M_C(S)$  on  $\mathcal{H}$  by  $M_C(S) := CSC$  ( $S \in B(\mathcal{H})$ ). Let an operator  $L_T(S)$  be  $L_T(S) := TS$  ( $S \in B(\mathcal{H})$ ). Then  $L_T$  is an  $(m, M_C)$ -symmetric operator on a Banach space  $B(\mathcal{H})$ .

**Definition 3.2** A pair (T, S) of operators  $T, S \in B(\mathcal{H})$  is said to be C-doubly commuting if TS = ST and  $S \cdot CTC = CTC \cdot S$ .

• If (T, S) is C-doubly commuting, then it holds that

$$\alpha_n(T+S;C) = \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} \alpha_{n-j}(T;C) \alpha_j(S;C)$$

and

$$\alpha_n(TS;C) = \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} CT^j C \cdot \alpha_{n-j}(T;C) \,\alpha_j(S;C) \cdot S^{n-j}.$$

**Theorem 3.1** Let T be (m, C)-symmetry and S be (n, C)-symmetry. If (T, S) is C-doubly commuting, then T + S is (m + n - 1, C)-symmetry.

Proof. We have

$$\alpha_{m+n-1}(T+S;C) = \sum_{j=0}^{m+n-1} (-1)^j \binom{m+n-1}{j} \alpha_{m+n-1-j}(T;C) \cdot \alpha_j(S;C).$$

When  $j \ge n$ , we have  $\alpha_j(S; C) = 0$ . When  $j \le n-1$ , we obtain  $\alpha_{m+n-1-j}(T; C) = 0$  since  $m+n-1-j \ge m+n-1-(n-1)=m$ . Therefore, we conclude  $\alpha_{m+n-1}(T+S; C) = 0$ .  $\Box$ 

By Example 3.1 and Theorem 3.1, we have the following Theorem 3.2.

**Theorem 3.2** Let T be (m, C)-symmetry and Q be n-nilpotent. If (T, Q) is C-doubly commuting, then T + Q is (m + 2n - 2, C)-symmetry.

**Theorem 3.3** Let T be (m, C)-symmetry. Then (1)  $T^n$  is (m, C)-symmetry for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . (2) If T is invertible, then  $T^{-1}$  is (m, C)-symmetry.

*Proof.* (1) Since  $\alpha_m(T; C) = 0$  and

$$(a^{n} - b^{n})^{m} = (a - b)^{m} (a^{n-1} + a^{n-2}b + \dots + ab^{n-2} + b^{n-1})^{m}$$
  
=  $(a - b)^{m} (\xi_{0}a^{m(n-1)} + \xi_{1}a^{m(n-1)-1}b + \dots + \xi_{m(n-1)}b^{m(n-1)})$ 

where  $\xi_i$  are coefficients (i = 0, ..., m(n-1)), it follows that

$$\alpha_m(T^n; C) = \sum_{j=0}^{m(n-1)} \xi_j C T^{m(n-1)-j} C \cdot \alpha_m(T; C) \cdot T^j = 0.$$

Hence the operator  $T^n$  is (m, C)-symmetry.

(2) Suppose that T is invertible and (m, C)-symmetry. Since  $\alpha_m(T; C) = 0$ , we have

$$0 = CT^{-m}C\left(\alpha_{m}(T;C)\right)T^{-m}$$
  
=  $CT^{-m}C\left(\sum_{j=0}^{m}(-1)^{j}\binom{m}{j}CT^{m-j}CT^{j}\right)T^{-m}$   
=  $\sum_{j=0}^{m}(-1)^{j}\binom{m}{j}C(T^{-1})^{j}C\cdot(T^{-1})^{m-j}.$ 

Therefore, the operator  $T^{-1}$  is (m, C)-symmetry.  $\Box$ 

Next we show spectral properties of (m, C)-symmetric operators. It needs the following result.

**Theorem 3.4** (C. Schmoeger, [5]) Let  $T \in B(\mathcal{X})$  and f be a polynomial. Then (1)  $\sigma_a(f(T)) = f(\sigma_a(T))$  and (2)  $\sigma_{eap}(f(T)) \subset f(\sigma_{eap}(T))$ .

**Theorem 3.5** Let  $T \in B(\mathcal{X})$  be (m, C)-symmetry. (1) If  $z \in \sigma_a(T)$   $(\sigma_p(T))$ , then  $\overline{z} \in \sigma_a(T)$   $(\sigma_p(T))$ . (2) If  $z \in \sigma_{eap}(T)$ , then  $\overline{z} \in \sigma_{eap}(T)$ .

*Proof.* (1) Let  $z \in \sigma_a(T)$ . Then there exists a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  of unit vectors such that  $(T-z)x_n \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ . Since

$$\alpha_m(T;C) = \sum_{j=0}^m (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} (CTC - z)^{m-j} (T - z)^j,$$

we have

$$0 = \lim_{n \to \infty} \alpha_m(T; C) x_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} (CTC - z)^m x_n.$$

By Theorem 3.5 for a polynomial  $f(x) = z^m$ , we obtain  $0 \in \sigma_a(CTC - z)$  and hence  $z \in \sigma_a(CTC)$ . By Theorem 1.7, it holds  $\overline{z} \in \sigma_a(T)$ .  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 3.6** If T is (m, C)-symmetry, then  $\ker(T) \subset C(\ker(T^m))$ .

*Proof.* If  $x \in \ker(T)$ , then we obtain

$$CT^{m}Cx = \sum_{j=1}^{m} (-1)^{j+1} \binom{m}{j} CT^{m-j}CT^{j}x = 0$$

and  $T^m Cx = 0$ . Hence we have  $Cx \in \ker(T^m)$  and  $x \in C(\ker(T^m))$ .  $\Box$ 

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## 4 (m, C)-Isometric Operators on a Banach space

We introduce and show some properties of an (m, C)-isometric operators on a Banach space.

**Definition 4.1** For an operator  $T \in B(\mathcal{X})$  and a conjugation C on  $\mathcal{X}$ , we define an operator  $\beta_m(T;C)$  by

$$\beta_m(T;C) := \sum_{j=0}^m (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} C T^{m-j} C T^{m-j}$$

An operator T is said to be (m, C)-isometry if  $\beta_m(T; C) = 0$ .

It hold that

$$CTC\,\beta_m(T;C)\,T-\beta_m(T;C)=\beta_{m+1}(T;C).$$

Hence if T is a (m, C)-isometry, then T is a (n, C)-isometry for every  $n \ge m$ . It holds similar results.

Example 4.1 Let  $T \in B(\mathcal{H})$  satisfy  $\sum_{j=0}^{m} (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} CT^{m-j} CT^{m-j} = 0$  for some conju-

gation C on a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ . We define a conjugation  $M_C$  on  $\mathcal{H}$  by  $M_C(S) := CSC$  $(S \in B(\mathcal{H}))$ . Let an operator  $L_T$  be  $L_T(S) := TS$   $(S \in B(\mathcal{H}))$ . Then  $L_T$  is an  $(m, M_C)$ isometric operator on a Banach space  $B(\mathcal{H})$ .

**Theorem 4.1** Let T is (m, C)-isometry. Then (1)  $0 \notin \sigma_a(T)$ .

(2) If  $z \in \sigma_a(T)$ , then  $\overline{z}^{-1} \in \sigma_a(T)$ .

The statement (2) holds for  $\sigma_p(T)$  and  $\sigma_{eap}(T)$ . Therefore, if T is (m, C)-isometry, then  $||T|| \ge 1$ .

*Proof.* (1) Assume that there exists a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  of unit vectors such that  $Tx_n \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ . Since it holds

$$0 = \beta_m(T;C) = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} CT^{m-j}C \cdot T^{m-j} + (-1)^m I,$$

we have  $\lim_{n\to\infty} Ix_n = 0$ . Hence, it's a contradiction and  $0 \notin \sigma_a(T)$ .

(2) Let  $z \in \sigma_a(T)$ . Then there exists a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  of unit vectors such that  $(T-z)x_n \to 0$ . Since it holds

$$(z CTC - 1)^m x_n = \left(\sum_{j=0}^m (-1)^{j+1} \binom{m}{j} CT^{m-j} C(T^{m-j} - z^{m-j})\right) x_n \to 0,$$

we have  $0 \in \sigma_a((z CTC - 1)^m)$ . By Theorem 3.5 for a polynomial  $f(x) = z^m$ , we obtain  $0 \in \sigma_a(z CTC - 1)$ . By (1), since  $z \neq 0$ , we have  $z^{-1} \in \sigma_a(CTC)$  and hence, by Theorem 1.7, it holds  $\overline{z}^{-1} \in \sigma_a(T)$ .  $\Box$ 

We have the following results.

**Theorem 4.2** Let T be (m, C)-isometry and Q be n-nilpotent. If (T, Q) is C-doubly commuting, then T + Q is (m + 2n - 2, C)-isometry.

**Theorem 4.3** Let T be (m, C)-isometry. Then (1)  $T^n$  is (m, C)-isometry for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . (2) If T is invertible, then  $T^{-1}$  is (m, C)-isometry.

Please see following references for details.

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