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Extension of m -Symmetric Hilbert Space Operators

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We introduce a new class of operators, which we will call the class of P -quasi- m -symmetric operators that includes m -symmetric operators and k -quasi- m -symmetric operators. Some basic structural properties of this class of operators are established based on the operator matrix representation associated with such operators.

1. Introduction

Throughout this paper, \mathcal{H} stands for a complex Hilbert space of infinite-dimension with inner product $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle$. By $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, we denote the Banach algebra of all bounded linear operators on \mathcal{H} . For every $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, we denote by $\ker(A)$ and $\mathcal{R}(A)$ the null space and the range of A , respectively. Also, $\sigma_p(A)$, $\sigma_{ap}(A)$, $\sigma(T)$, and $\sigma_s(A)$ denote the point spectrum, the approximate spectrum, the spectrum, and the surjective spectrum of A .

The authors in [1] introduced the class of Helton operators as follows an operator $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is said to be in the m th Helton class of B if

$$\sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^{m-j} \binom{m}{j} B^j A^{m-j} = 0. \quad (1)$$

We refer the interested reader to [1–6] for complete details.

The class of m -symmetric operators or m -self-adjoint operators on a Hilbert \mathcal{H} space has attracted much attention and has been the subject of intensive studies by several authors. m -symmetric operators were introduced in [3, 4, 7] as follows an Hilbert space operator $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is said to be an m -symmetric if A satisfies the following identity:

$$\sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} A^{*j} A^{m-j} = 0, \quad (2)$$

for some positive integer m , where A^* is the adjoint operator of A . For $m = 1$, equation (2) is reduced to $A^* - A = 0$ (A is symmetric or self-adjoint). If $m = 2$, equation (2) is reduced to $A^{*2} - 2A^*A + A^2 = 0$ (A is 2-symmetric). It has been proven that a power of m -symmetric transformation is again m -symmetric, and the product of two m -symmetric transformations is also m -symmetric under suitable conditions (see [8]).

Another extension of the relation in (2), we recall that if $T, A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, for which A is positive, T is called an (A, m) -symmetric ([9]) when

$$\sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} T^{*j} A T^{m-j} = 0. \quad (3)$$

The authors Chō and Sid Ahmed in [10] generalized the concept of those operators on a Hilbert space. They introduced the (A, m) -symmetric commuting tuple of operators.

Using the identity (2), the authors in [11] have introduced the concept of k -quasi- m -symmetric operators as follows an operator $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is said to be k -quasi- m -symmetric operator if A satisfies the following identity:

$$A^{*k} \left(\sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} A^{*j} A^{m-j} \right) A^k = 0, \quad (4)$$

for some positive integers k and m . Obviously, every m -symmetric operator is k -quasi- m -symmetric operator.

Many algebraic and spectral properties for k -quasi- m -symmetric operators has been studied by the authors in [11] parallel to those obtained for the classes of n -quasi- m -isometric operators and its variants studied intensively by many authors in the papers [12–16]. Recall from [17] that an operator $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is said to have the single-valued extension property (or SVEP) if for every open subset W of \mathbb{C} and any \mathcal{H} -valued analytic function f on W such that $(A - \lambda)f(\lambda) \equiv 0$ on W , we have $f(\lambda) \equiv 0$ on W . $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ admits Bishop's property (β) if, for every open subset \mathbb{D} of \mathbb{C} and every sequence $g_n: \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ of analytic functions with $(T - z)g_n(z)$ converges uniformly to 0 in norm on compact subsets of \mathbb{D} , $g_n(z)$ converges uniformly to 0 in norm on compact subsets of \mathbb{D} .

For $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, we set $\Theta_k(A) := \sum_{0 \leq j \leq k} (-1)^j \binom{k}{j} A^{*j} A^{k-j}$. Note that

$$\Theta_{k+1}(A) = A^* \Theta_k(A) - \Theta_k(A)A. \tag{5}$$

Hence, if A is m -symmetric operator, then A is p -symmetric operator for $p \geq m$.

The aim of this paper is to introduce the class of P -quasi- m -symmetric operators, where P is a nonconstant complex polynomial and m is a positive constant. This class of operators seems a natural generalization of k -quasi- m -symmetric operators. We show that many results for m -symmetric and k -quasi m -symmetric operators remain true for our new class.

2. Main Results

In this section, we study the concept of polynomial-quasi m -symmetric operators.

Definition 1. An operator $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is said to be P -quasi- m -symmetric for some nonconstant polynomial P , if there exists a nonconstant complex polynomial P such that

$$P(A)^* \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} A^{*k} A^{m-k} \right) P(A) = 0, \tag{6}$$

for some positive integer m .

Remark 1

- (1) If $P(z) = z^n$ for some positive integer n , then A is said to be n -quasi- m -symmetric (see [11])
- (2) If $P(z) = z$, then A is said to be quasisymmetric

Example 1. Consider $A = \begin{pmatrix} I_{\mathcal{H}} & I_{\mathcal{H}} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H} \oplus \mathcal{H})$. It is obvious that $T = I_{\mathcal{H}}$ is P -quasi- m -symmetric operator and $P(S) = 0$ with $S = 0$ for all complex polynomial $P = \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} a_k z^k$. By observing that $A^k = A$ for all $k \geq 1$, it follows from direct calculation that

$$\begin{aligned} P(A) &= \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} a_k A^k \\ &= a_0 I_{\mathcal{H} \oplus \mathcal{H}} + \sum_{1 \leq k \leq m} a_k A \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} a_k I_{\mathcal{H}} & \sum_{1 \leq k \leq m} a_k I_{\mathcal{H}} \\ 0 & a_0 I_{\mathcal{H}} \end{pmatrix}, \\ \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} A^{*k} A^{m-k} &= A^m + \sum_{1 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} A^* A \\ &= A - A^* A \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} I_{\mathcal{H}} & I_{\mathcal{H}} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} I_{\mathcal{H}} & I_{\mathcal{H}} \\ I_{\mathcal{H}} & I_{\mathcal{H}} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -I_{\mathcal{H}} & -I_{\mathcal{H}} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} &P(A)^* \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} A^{*k} A^{m-k} \right) P(A) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} \bar{a}_k I_{\mathcal{H}} & 0 \\ \sum_{1 \leq k \leq m} \bar{a}_k I_{\mathcal{H}} & \bar{a}_0 I_{\mathcal{H}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -I_{\mathcal{H}} & -I_{\mathcal{H}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} a_k I_{\mathcal{H}} & \sum_{1 \leq k \leq m} a_k I_{\mathcal{H}} \\ 0 & a_0 I_{\mathcal{H}} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -\bar{a}_0 I_{\mathcal{H}} & -\bar{a}_0 I_{\mathcal{H}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} a_k I_{\mathcal{H}} & \sum_{1 \leq k \leq m} a_k I_{\mathcal{H}} \\ 0 & a_0 I_{\mathcal{H}} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -\bar{a}_0 \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} a_k I_{\mathcal{H}} & -\bar{a}_0 \sum_{1 \leq k \leq m} a_k I_{\mathcal{H}} - |a_0|^2 I_{\mathcal{H}} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

We deduce that A is a P -quasi- m -symmetric operator for all polynomial P satisfying $P(0) = 0$.

Theorem 1. *Let P be a nonconstant complex polynomial and let $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Assume that $\overline{P(A)(\mathcal{H})}$ is not dense. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1) A is P -quasi- m -symmetric operator
- (2) $A = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ 0 & A_3 \end{pmatrix}$ on $\mathcal{H} = \overline{P(A)(\mathcal{H})} \oplus \ker(P(A)^*)$, where $A_1 = A|_{\overline{P(A)(\mathcal{H})}}$ is m -symmetric and $P(A_3) = 0$ (i.e.; A_3 is algebraic operator). Furthermore, $\sigma(A) = \sigma(A_1) \cup \sigma(A_3)$.

Proof

(1) \Rightarrow (2). Consider the matrix representation of A with respect to the decomposition $\mathcal{H} = \overline{P(A)(\mathcal{H})} \oplus \ker(P(A)^*)$ $A = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ 0 & A_3 \end{pmatrix}$. Let Q be the orthogonal projection onto $\overline{P(A)(\mathcal{H})}$, then we have $\begin{pmatrix} A_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = AQ = QAQ$. Since A is P -quasi- m -symmetric operator, we have

$$P(A) = \begin{pmatrix} P(A_1) & Z \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } P(A)P(A)^* = \begin{pmatrix} P(A_1)P(A_1)^* + ZZ^* & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} F & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \tag{12}$$

where $F = F^* = P(A_1)P(A_1)^* + ZZ^*$.

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} &P(A)P(A)^* \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} A^{*k} A^{m-k} \right) P(A)P(A)^* \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} F \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} A_1^{*k} A_1^{m-k} \right) F & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= 0. \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

Hence, $P(A)^* \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} A^{*k} A^{m-k} \right) P(A) = 0$, and therefore A is P -quasi- m -symmetric. \square

In the following corollary, we show the relationship between P -quasi- m -symmetric and P -quasi- $(m + 1)$ -symmetric operators.

Corollary 1. *Let P be a complex polynomial and let $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. If A is P -quasi- m -symmetric operator then A is P -quasi- q -symmetric operator for all positive integer $q \geq m$.*

$$Q \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} A^{*k} A^{m-k} \right) Q = 0. \tag{9}$$

That is,

$$\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} A_1^{*k} A_1^{m-k} = 0. \tag{10}$$

Therefore, A_1 is an m -symmetric operator.

Let $w = w_1 + w_2 \in \overline{P(A)(\mathcal{H})} \oplus \ker(P(A)^*)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle P(A_3)w_2 | w_2 \rangle &= \langle P(A)(I - Q)w | (I - Q)w \rangle \\ &= \langle (I - Q)w | P(A)^*(I - Q)w \rangle = 0. \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

So that $P(A_3) = 0$.

The proof of the statement $\sigma(A) = \sigma(A_1) \cup \sigma(A_3)$ is similar to the one given in [18], Lemma 3.9, so we omit it.

(2) \Rightarrow (1) Assume that $A = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ 0 & A_3 \end{pmatrix}$ on $\mathcal{H} = \overline{\mathcal{R}(P(A))} \oplus \ker(P(A)^*)$ where $A_1 = A|_{\overline{\mathcal{R}(P(A))}}$ is m -symmetry and $P(A_3) = 0$. A simple computation shows that

Proof. Since A is P -quasi- m -symmetric operator, two cases can be distinguished.

- (1) If $\overline{\mathcal{R}(P)} = \mathcal{H}$, then A is m -symmetric operator, and hence, A is q -symmetric operator for all $q \geq m$ by [8].
- (2) If $\overline{\mathcal{R}(P)} \neq \mathcal{H}$, taking into account Theorem 1, we can write $A = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ 0 & A_3 \end{pmatrix}$ on $\mathcal{H} = \overline{P(A)(\mathcal{H})} \oplus \ker(P(A)^*)$, where $A_1 = A|_{\overline{P(A)(\mathcal{H})}}$ is an m -symmetric and $P(A_3) = 0$ (i.e.; A_3 is algebraic operator). From [8], A_1 is a q -symmetric operator for all $q \geq m$. Consequently, the desired results follow from the statement (2) of Theorem 1. \square

Corollary 2. *Let P be a complex polynomial, and let $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be a P -quasi- m -symmetric operator such that $A = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ 0 & A_3 \end{pmatrix}$ on $\mathcal{H} = \overline{\mathcal{R}(P(A))} \oplus \mathcal{N}(P(A)^*)$. If $\sigma(A_1) \cap \sigma(A_3) = \emptyset$, then A is similar to a direct sum of a m -symmetric operator and an algebraic operator.*

Proof. By Theorem 1, we write the matrix representation of A on $\mathcal{H} = \overline{\mathcal{R}(P(A))} \oplus \mathcal{N}(P(A)^*)$ as follows $A = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ 0 & A_3 \end{pmatrix}$, where $A_1 = A|_{\overline{\mathcal{R}(P(A))}}$ is a m -symmetric operator and

$P(A_3) = 0$. Since $\sigma(A_1) \cap \sigma(A_3) = \emptyset$, then there exists an operator C such that $A_1C - CA_3 = A_2$ by [19]. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ 0 & A_3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} I & C \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & 0 \\ 0 & A_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & C \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} I & C \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix}^{-1} (A_1 \oplus A_2) \begin{pmatrix} I & C \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

Consequently, the desired result follows from Theorem 1. \square

Theorem 2. Let P be a nonconstant complex polynomial and A be a P -quasi- m -symmetric operator, and \mathbf{M} is an closed invariant subspace for A . Then, the restriction $A|_{\mathbf{M}}$ is also a P -quasi- m -symmetric operator.

Proof. Let us consider the following matrix representation of A :

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ 0 & A_3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ on } \mathcal{H} = \mathbf{M} \oplus \mathbf{M}^\perp. \tag{15}$$

Since A is P -quasi m -symmetric, we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= P \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ 0 & A_3 \end{pmatrix}^{*n} \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} \binom{m}{k} \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ 0 & A_3 \end{pmatrix}^{*k} \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ 0 & A_3 \end{pmatrix}^{m-k} \right) P \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ 0 & A_3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} P(A_1)^* & 0 \\ X^* & P(A_3)^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} A_1^{*k} A_1^{m-k} & Z \\ Y & W \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} P(A_1) & X \\ 0 & P(A_3) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} P(A_1)^* \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} A_1^{*k} A_1^{m-k} P(A_1) & ** \\ ** & ** \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

Therefore,

$$P(A_1)^* \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} \binom{m}{k} A_1^{*k} A_1^{m-k} \right) P(A_1) = 0. \tag{17}$$

Thus, A_1 is an P -quasi m -symmetric operator. \square

Proposition 1. Let P be a nonconstant complex polynomial and let $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Suppose that A is a P -quasi- m -symmetric operator. If $\mathcal{R}(P(A))$ is dense. Then, A is an m -symmetric operator.

Proof. We have $P(A)^* \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} A^{*k} A^{m-k} \right) P(A) = 0$, and therefore,

$$\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} A^{*k} A^{m-k} = 0 \text{ on } \overline{\mathcal{R}(P(A))}. \tag{18}$$

Proposition 2. Let P be a nonconstant complex polynomial and $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. If A is a P -quasi- m -symmetric operator, then A^n is also a P -quasi- m -symmetric operator for any positive integer n .

Proof. If $P(A)$ has a dense range, then A is an m -symmetric operator and so is A^n for any positive integer n (see [20], Theorem 2.4).

If $\overline{\mathcal{R}(P(A))} \neq \mathcal{H}$, taking into account Theorem 1, we can

use the matrix representation as $A = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ 0 & A_3 \end{pmatrix}$ on $\mathcal{H} = \overline{\mathcal{R}(P(A))} \oplus \mathcal{N}(P(A)^*)$, where A_1 is an m -symmetric operator and A_3 is algebraic operator. As

$$A^n = \begin{pmatrix} A_1^n & \sum_{0 \leq j \leq n-1} A_1^j A_2 A_3^{n-1-j} \\ 0 & A_3^n \end{pmatrix}. \tag{19}$$

Since A_1^n is m -symmetric and A_3^n is algebraic, it follows that A^n is P -quasi- m -symmetric operator. \square

Theorem 3. Let P be a complex polynomial and consider $A = \begin{pmatrix} T & R \\ 0 & S \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H} \oplus \mathcal{H})$, such that T is P -quasi- m -symmetric operator and $P(S) = 0$. If $\sigma_s(T) \cap \sigma_a(S) = \emptyset$, then A is similar to a P -quasi- m -symmetric operator.

Proof. Since $\sigma_s(T) \cap \sigma_a(S) = \emptyset$, it follows from [17] (Theorem 3.5.1) that there exist some operator $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ for which $TB - BS = R$. Since

$$\begin{pmatrix} I & B \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} T & R \\ 0 & S \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} T & 0 \\ 0 & S \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & B \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix}. \tag{20}$$

Therefore, A is similar to $D = \begin{pmatrix} T & 0 \\ 0 & S \end{pmatrix}$.

Since T is P -quasi- m -symmetric operator and $P(S) = 0$, it follows

$$\begin{aligned}
 & P(D)^* \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} D^{*k} D^{m-k} \right) P(D) \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} P(T)^* & 0 \\ 0 & P(S)^* \end{pmatrix} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^{*k} T^{m-k} & 0 \\ 0 & \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} S^{*k} S^{m-k} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} P(T) & 0 \\ 0 & P(S) \end{pmatrix} \right\} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} P(T)^* \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^{*k} T^{m-k} \right) P(T) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= 0.
 \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

Consequently, A is similar to an P -quasi- m -symmetric operator. \square

Question 1. Let $T, R, S \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. If T is P -quasi m -symmetric operator and $P(S) = 0$ for some complex polynomial, then the operator matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} T & R \\ 0 & S \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H} \oplus \mathcal{H})$ is P -quasi- m -symmetric operator.

Theorem 4 (see [21], Theorem 2.5). Let \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{K} be infinite complex Hilbert spaces and let $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H} \oplus \mathcal{K})$ the operator matrix of the form $A = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ 0 & A_3 \end{pmatrix}$. Assume that A_3 has Bishop's property (β) . Then, the following assertions are equivalent:

- (i) A has Bishop's property (β)
- (ii) A_1 has Bishop's property (β)

Theorem 5. Let P be a nonconstant complex polynomial and $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. If A is P -quasi-3-symmetric operator, then A has Bishop's property (β) .

Proof. If $\mathcal{R}(P(A))$ is dense, then A is 3-symmetric operator, and therefore, A has Bishop's property (β) by [11]. If $\mathcal{R}(P(A))$ is not dense, we have by Theorem 1 the matrix representation $A = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \\ 0 & A_3 \end{pmatrix}$, where $A_1 = A_{1|\mathcal{R}(P(A))}$ is a 3-symmetric operator and A_3 is algebraic operator.

Since every algebraic operator has Bishop's property (β) and A_1 has Bishop's property (β) from [11], the desired result follows from Theorem 4. \square

Corollary 3. Let P be a nonconstant complex polynomial and $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. If A is P -quasi-3-symmetric operator, then A has SVEP.

Definition 2. Let P be a nonconstant complex polynomial and $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. We say that A is a strict P -quasi m -symmetric operator if A is P -quasi m -symmetric but A is not P -quasi $(m - 1)$ -symmetric operator.

The idea of the proof of the following theorem is inspired from [22].

Theorem 6. Let P be a complex polynomial and $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Assume that A is a strict P -quasi- m -symmetric operator, then the family of operators

$$\{P(A)^* \Theta_k(A)P(A), k = 0, 1, \dots, m - 1, m \geq 2\}, \tag{22}$$

is linearly independent.

Proof. Since A is P -quasi m -symmetric operator, we have

$$P(A)^* \Theta_m(A)P(A) = 0. \tag{23}$$

Note that from (5), we have

$$\Theta_k(A) = A^* \Theta_{k-1}(A) - \Theta_{k-1}(A)A \text{ for all } k \geq 1. \tag{24}$$

Now assume that for some complex numbers α_k ,

$$\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m-1} \alpha_k P(A)^* \Theta_k(A)P(A) = 0. \tag{25}$$

Multiplying the (25) on the left by A^* , we get

$$\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m-1} \alpha_k P(A)^* A^* \Theta_k(A)P(A) = 0. \tag{26}$$

Similarly, multiplying (25) on the right by A , we get

$$\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m-1} \alpha_k P(A)^* \Theta_k(A)AP(A) = 0. \tag{27}$$

Subtracting (26) and (27), we obtain

$$\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m-1} \alpha_k P(A)^* (A^* \Theta_k(A) - \Theta_k(A)A)P(A) = 0. \tag{28}$$

If we use (5), we see that

$$\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m-1} \alpha_k P(A)^* \theta_{k+1}(A) P(A) = 0. \quad (29)$$

The same procedure applied to (29) gives

$$\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m-1} \alpha_k P(A) \Theta_{k+2}(A) P(A) = 0. \quad (30)$$

Applying the above process we obtain,

$$\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m-1} \alpha_k P(A) \Theta_{k+r}(A) P(A) = 0 \text{ for all } r \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (31)$$

From Corollary 1, it is well known that if A is P -quasi m -symmetric operator, then A is P -quasi- q -symmetric operator for all $q \geq m$. This implies the following implications:

For $r = m - 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m-1} \alpha_k P(A) \Theta_{k+m-1}(A) P(A) &= 0 \Rightarrow \alpha_0 P(A) \Theta_{m-1}(A) P(A) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

so $\alpha_0 = 0$ from the fact that A is a strict P -quasi m -symmetric operator.

For $r = m - 2$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m-1} \alpha_k P(A) \Theta_{k+m-2}(A) P(A) &= 0 \Rightarrow \alpha_1 P(A) \Theta_{m-1}(A) P(A) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

so $\alpha_1 = 0$ for the same reason.

Doing this iteratively, we can find for $r = m - 3, \dots, r = 1$ and $r = 0$ that $\alpha_k = 0$ for $k = 2, \dots, m - 1$.

Then, the following implication is true:

$$\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m-1} \alpha_k P(A) \Theta_k(A) P(A) = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha_0 = \alpha_1 = \dots = \alpha_{m-1} = 0. \quad (34)$$

□

The set of P -quasi m -symmetric operators is closed in norm as shown in the following theorem:

Theorem 7. *Let P be a nonconstant complex polynomial and $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, then the set of P -quasi- m -symmetric operators is closed in norm in $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$.*

Proof. Suppose that $(A_q)_q$ is a sequence of P -quasi- m -symmetric operators such that

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} \|A_q - A\| = 0. \quad (35)$$

Since for every positive integer q , A_q is P -quasi- m -symmetric operator, we get

$$P(A_q)^* \Theta(A_q) P(A_q) = 0. \quad (36)$$

However,

$$\begin{aligned} \|P(A_q)^* \Theta_q(A_q) P(A_q)\| &= \|P(A_q)^* \Theta_m(A_q) P(A_q) - P(A)^* \Theta_m(A) P(A)\| \\ &= \left\| P(A_q)^* \left(\sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} A^{*j} A_q^{m-j} \right) P(A_q) - P(A)^* \left(\sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} A^{*j} A^{m-j} \right) P(A) \right\| \\ &\leq \left\| P(A_q)^* \left(\sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} A^{*j} A_q^{m-j} \right) P(A_q) - P(A_q)^* \left(\sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} A^{*j} A_q^{m-j} \right) P(A) \right\| \\ &\quad + \left\| P(A_q)^* \left(\sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} A^{*j} A_q^{m-j} \right) P(A) - P(A)^* \left(\sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} A^{*j} A^{m-j} \right) P(A) \right\| \\ &\leq \|P(A_q)\| \left\| \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} A^{*j} (A_q^{m-j} P(A_q) - A^{m-j} P(A)) \right\| \\ &\quad + \left\| \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} (P(A_q)^* A^{*j} A_q^{m-j} - P(A)^* A^{*j} A^{m-j} P(A_q) - A^{m-j} P(A)) \right\| \\ &\quad + \|P(A)\| \left\| \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} A^{*j} (A_q^{m-j} P(A_q) - A^{m-j} P(A)) \right\| \\ &\quad + \left\| \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} (P(A_q)^* A^{*j} A_q^{m-j} - P(A)^* A^{*j} A^{m-j} P(A)) \right\|. \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

Since $P(A_q)^* \Theta_m(A_q) P(A_q) = 0$ we get by taking $q \rightarrow \infty$, that $P(A)^* \Theta_q(A) P(A) = 0$, and therefore A belongs to the of P -quasi- m -symmetric operators. \square

Lemma 1. *Let P be a nonconstant complex polynomial and let $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, the following statements are true:*

- (1) A is a P -quasi m -symmetric operator if and only if $A \otimes I$ is P -quasi m -symmetric operator
- (2) A is a P -quasi m -symmetric operator if and only if $I \otimes A$ is P -quasi m -symmetric operator

Proof. Set $P = \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} a_k z^k$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(A \otimes I) &= \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} a_k (A \otimes I)^k = \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} a_k A^k \otimes I \\
 &= P(A) \otimes I, \\
 P(A \otimes I)^* \Theta_m(A \otimes I) P(A \otimes I) &= P(A \otimes I)^* \left(\sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} (A \otimes I)^j (A \otimes I)^{m-j} \right) P(A \otimes I) \\
 &= P(A)^* \left(\sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^j \binom{m}{j} A^j A^{m-j} \right) P(A) \otimes I \\
 &= P(A)^* \Theta_m(A) P(A) \otimes I.
 \end{aligned} \tag{38}$$

\square and moreover

Proposition 3. *Let P be a nonconstant complex polynomial and $A, V \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. If A is P -quasi- m -symmetric for some positive integer m and V is an isometry, then VAV^* is an P -quasi- m -symmetric operator.*

Proof. Let $P(z) = \sum_{0 \leq k \leq n} a_k z^k$ such that A is P -quasi- m -symmetric operator. Since V is an isometry, then $V^*V = I$. A direct calculation shows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(VAV^*) &= \sum_{0 \leq k \leq n} a_k (VAV^*)^k \\
 &= \sum_{0 \leq k \leq n} a_k (VA^k V^*) \\
 &= V \sum_{0 \leq k \leq n} a_k (A^k) V^* \\
 &= VP(A)V^*.
 \end{aligned} \tag{40}$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (VAV^*)^l &= \underbrace{(VAV^*)(VAV^*) \dots (VAV^*)}_{l\text{-times}} \\
 &= (VA^2V^* \dots VA)V^* \\
 &= VA^l V^*,
 \end{aligned} \tag{39}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(VAV^*)^* &\left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} (VAV^*)^{*k} (VAV^*)^{m-k} \right) P(VAV^*) \\
 &= (VP(A)V^*)^* V \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} (A)^{*k} (A)^{m-k} \right) V^* (VP(A)V^*) \\
 &= V \underbrace{\left(P(A)^* \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} (A)^{*k} (A)^{m-k} \right) P(A) \right)}_{=0} V^* \\
 &= 0.
 \end{aligned} \tag{41}$$

Therefore, VAV^* is a P -quasi- m -symmetric operator [23]. \square

Data Availability

Data sharing not applicable to this paper as no data sets were generated or analyzed during the current study.

Conflicts of Interest

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