



## *K*- Operators

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### Abstract

In this paper, we introduce a new class of operators on a complex Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  which is called  $\mathcal{K}$ -operators. An operator  $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  is called  $\mathcal{K}$ -operators if  $(TT^*)^k = k(TT^*)$ , where  $k \geq 2$  and  $T^*$  is the adjoint of the operator  $T$ .

We investigate some basic properties of such operators and study the relation between  $\mathcal{K}$ -operators and some other well known classes of operators on  $\mathcal{H}$ .

**Key word:**  $\mathcal{K}$ -operators , operators, adjoint operators .

### 1- Introduction

One of the important notions in applied mathematics and systems analysis is the operator theory investigation by obtaining a mathematical model, and then determining such properties as existence, uniqueness and regularity of solutions. Let  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  denoted to the algebra of all bounded linear operators on a complex Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ . An operator  $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  is called nilpotent operator if  $T^n = 0$  [1], similar operator if there exists  $S \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  such that  $S = XT X^{-1}$ , where  $X$  and  $X^{-1}$  are operators in  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  [2], isometric operator if  $T^*T = I$  [3] and unitary operator if  $T^*T = TT^* = I$  [4].

### **2- $\mathcal{K}$ -operators**

In this section, we shall study some properties which are applied of  $\mathcal{K}$ -operators.

**Definition (2.1):** If  $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , then  $T$  is called  $\mathcal{K}$ -operators if  $(TT^*)^k = k(TT^*)$  where  $k \geq 2$  and  $T^*$  is the adjoint operator of  $T$  and we denoted of all the class  $\mathcal{K}$ -operator by  $[ok]$ .

**Example (2.2):** Let  $T = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$  operator on a Hilbert space  $\mathbb{C}^2$ . Then

$$(TT^*)^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = 2(TT^*)$$

Therefore  $T \in [2k]$ .

**Example (2.3):** If  $T = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  operator on a Hilbert space  $\mathbb{C}^2$ . Then

$$(TT^*)^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 178 & -42 \\ -42 & 10 \end{pmatrix} \neq 2(TT^*) = \begin{pmatrix} 26 & -6 \\ -6 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus  $T \notin [2k]$ .



In the following theorem, we give some properties of this operators.

**Theorem (2.4):** If  $T \in [ok]$  and  $T = T^*$ , then :

- (1)  $T^{-1} \in [ok]$
- (2)  $T^* \in [ok]$

**Proof:** (1) since  $T \in [ok]$  , then  $(TT^*)^k = k(TT^*)$

$$(T^*T)^k = k(T^*T) \quad [T = T^*]$$

Taking inverse of two-sides  $(T^{-1}T^{-1*})^k = k(T^{-1}T^{-1*})$

$$\therefore T^{-1} \in [ok]$$

(2) since  $T \in [ok] \Rightarrow (TT^*)^k = k(TT^*)$

$$\because [T = T^*] \Rightarrow (T^*T)^k = k(T^*T)$$

Then  $T^* \in [ok]$

The following examples show that If  $S$  and  $T$  are  $K$ -operators , then not necessary  $(S + T)$  and  $(S.T)$  are  $K$ -operators .

**Example (2.5):** If  $S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  are operators on a Hilbert space  $\mathbb{C}^2$  ,then

$$(SS^*)^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = 2(SS^*) \quad \text{and} \quad (TT^*)^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 2(TT^*)$$

Then  $S$  and  $T$  are  $[2k]$ .

$$\text{But } [(S + T)(S + T)^*]^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 29 & 12 \\ 12 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \neq 2[(S + T)(S + T)^*] = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 4 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\therefore (S + T) \notin [2k]$ .

**Theorem (2.6):** If  $S$  and  $T$  are commuting  $K$ -operators , then  $(S + T)$  is  $K$ -operators .

**Proof:** since  $S, T \in [ok]$  , then there exists  $k_1, k_2 \in K$  such that

$$(TT^*)^k = k_1(TT^*) \quad , \quad (SS^*)^k = k_2(SS^*) \quad \text{and} \quad k_1k_2 = k$$

$$[(S + T)(S + T)^*]^k = [(S + T)(S^* + T^*)]^k = [(S^k + T^k)(S^{*k} + T^{*k})]$$



$$\begin{aligned}
&= [S^k S^{*k} + S^k T^{*k} + T^k S^{*k} + T^k T^{*k}] \\
&= (SS^*)^k + (ST^*)^k + (TS^*)^k + (TT^*)^k \\
&= k_1 k_2 [(SS^*)^k + (ST^*)^k + (TS^*)^k + (TT^*)^k] \\
&= k [(S + T)(S + T)^*]
\end{aligned}$$

Then  $(S + T) \in [ok]$ .

**Example (2.7):** Let  $S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $T = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$  are operators on a Hilbert space  $\mathbb{C}^2$ . Then  $S$  and  $T$

are  $[2k]$ , but  $[(ST)(ST)^*]^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 16 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \neq 2 [(ST)(ST)^*] = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$(ST) \notin [2k]$ .

**Theorem (2.8):** If  $S$  and  $T$  are  $K$ -operators such that  $ST = TS$ , then

$(ST)$  is  $K$ -operators.

**Proof:** since  $S, T \in [ok]$ , then  $(TT^*)^k = k(TT^*)$  and  $(SS^*)^k = k(SS^*)$

and  $k^2 = k$

$$\begin{aligned}
[(ST)(ST)^*]^k &= [S(TT^*)S^*]^k = [S^k (TT^*)^k S^{*k}] \\
&= [k S^k (TT^*) S^{*k}] = [k (S^k T) (T^* S^{*k})] = [k (TS^k) (S^k T)^*] \\
&= [k (TS^k) (TS^k)^*] = [k T (S^k S^{*k}) T^*] = [k T (SS^*)^k T^*] \\
&= [k T k (SS^*) T^*] = [k^2 (TS) (S^* T^*)] = k [(ST)(ST)^*]
\end{aligned}$$

Thus  $(ST) \in [ok]$ .

**Remark (2.9):** The class of  $[2k]$  and  $[3k]$  are independent as the following examples:

**Example (2.10):** If  $T = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is an operator on a Hilbert space  $\mathbb{C}^2$ . Then

$$(TT^*)^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 2(TT^*) \text{ . Thus } T \in [2k] \text{ . But}$$



$$(TT^*)^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \neq 3(TT^*) = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \text{ Thus } T \notin [3k].$$

**Example (2.11):** If  $T = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt[4]{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is an operator on a Hilbert space  $\mathbb{C}^2$ . Then

$$(TT^*)^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 3\sqrt[4]{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 3(TT^*) \text{ . Thus } T \in [3k]. \text{ But}$$

$$(TT^*)^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \neq 2(TT^*) = \begin{pmatrix} 2\sqrt[4]{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ . Thus } T \notin [2k].$$

**Proposition (2.12):** If  $T \in [ok]$  such that  $T$  commute with  $T^*$ , then  $T^2 \in [ok]$ .

$$\text{Proof: } (T^2T^{2*})^k = (TTT^*T^*)^k = (T^kT^kT^{*k}T^{*k})$$

$$= T^k(TT^*)^kT^{*k} = kT^k(TT^*)T^{*k} = kT(T^kT^{*k})T^*$$

$$= kT(TT^*)^kT^* = k^2(TTT^*T^*) = k(T^2T^{2*})$$

**Example(2.13):** Let  $T = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$  operator on a Hilbert space  $\mathbb{C}^2$ . Then  $T \in [2k]$ ,

$$\text{but } (T^2T^{2*})^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 16 & 0 \\ 0 & 16 \end{pmatrix} \neq 2(T^2T^{2*}) = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus  $T^2 \notin [2k]$ .

**Remark (2.14):** The class of  $[ok]$  and isometric operator are independent as the following examples :

**Example (2.15):** Let  $U$  be the unilateral shift operator on  $\ell_2$  ;

(i.e.  $U(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (0, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, \dots)$ ). Then

$(U^*U) = I$ . Then  $U$  is isometric operator. But

$$(UU^*)^k \neq k(UU^*) \text{ . Thus } U \notin [ok].$$

In example (2.12)  $T \in [2k]$  but  $T^*T = 2I \neq I \Rightarrow T$  is not isomeric operator.

**proposition (2.16):** If  $T$  is nilpotent operator and  $T^* = T^k$ , then  $T \in [ok]$ .

**Proof:** since  $T^k = 0$ , then  $(TT^*)^k = 0 = k(TT^*)$ ,  $T \in [ok]$ .

**Remark (2.17):** If  $T \in [ok]$  and  $S$  is similar of  $T$ , then not necessary  $S \in [ok]$ .

For example : If  $T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  operator on a Hilbert space  $\mathbb{C}^2$ , then

$$(TT^*)^2 = 2(TT^*) = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow T \in [2k], \text{ but if } X = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and}$$

$$X^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ operators on } \mathbb{C}^2 \Rightarrow S \text{ is similar of } T \text{ (i.e. } S = XTX^{-1})$$

$$\text{Thus } S = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 5 \\ -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow (SS^*)^2 \neq 2(SS^*) = \begin{pmatrix} 58 & 48 \\ 48 & 40 \end{pmatrix} \quad S \notin [2k].$$

**Corollary (2.18):** Unitary operators and  $[ok]$  are independent as we seen in example (2.11):  $T \in [3k]$  but  $T$  is not unitary operator ;

$$\text{and if } T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Operator on  $\mathbb{C}^2$ , then  $TT^* = T^*T = I \Rightarrow T$  is unitary operator ; but

$$(TT^*)^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \neq 2(TT^*) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow T \notin [2k]$$

**Example (2.19):** If  $T \in [2k]$  when  $T = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $T + I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\text{Therefore } ((T + I)(T + I)^*)^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \neq 2((T + I)(T + I)^*)$$

We conclude that  $(T + I) \notin [2k]$ .

### الملخص

الهدف من هذا البحث هو تقديم نوع جديد من المؤثرات المعرفة على فضاء هيلبرت الذي أطلقنا عليه اسم المؤثر  $K$ - . المؤثر  $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  يسمى المؤثر  $K$  - اذا كان  $(TT^*)^k = k(TT^*)$  حيث  $k \geq 2$  و  $T^*$  هو المؤثر المرافق (المصاحب) للمؤثر  $T$ . سوف نقدم في هذا البحث بعض الخواص الأساسية لهذا المؤثر وندرس العلاقة بين المؤثر  $K$ - وبعض الأنواع الأخرى من المؤثرات.

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