

PERTURBATION AND JUMP OF A SEMI-FREDHOLM OPERATOR

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ABSTRACT. The purpose of the present paper is to derive the perturbations and jumps of semi-Fredholm operators.

1. Introduction

Throughout this paper, we suppose that X is a Banach space and write $BL(X)$ for the set of all bounded linear operators on X .

A linear operator $T \in BL(X)$ is called upper semi-Fredholm if it has closed range with finite dimensional null space, and lower semi-Fredholm if it has closed range with its range of finite codimension.

If T is upper or lower semi-Fredholm, we call it semi-Fredholm.

We shall introduce $T^\infty(X) = \bigcap_{n=1}^\infty T^n(X)$ for the hyperrange and $T^{-\infty}(0) = \bigcup_{n=1}^\infty T^{-n}(0)$ for the hyperkernel of $T \in BL(X)$.

$T \in BL(X)$ is hyperexact if $T^{-1}(0) \subseteq T^\infty(X)$.

We shall say that T has ascent $\leq k$ if there exists a positive integer k such that $T^{-\infty}(0) = T^{-k}(0)$ and T has descent $\leq k$ if there exists a positive integer k for which $T^\infty(X) = T^k(X)$.

The punctured neighborhood theorem says that if $T \in BL(X)$ is semi-Fredholm then there is $\epsilon > 0$ for which $n(T - \lambda)$ and $d(T - \lambda)$ are both constant for $0 < |\lambda| < \epsilon$, $\lambda \in C$, where $n(T) = \dim(T^{-1}(0))$, $d(T) = \text{codim}(T(X))$. We define the jump $j(T)$ of a semi-Fredholm operator $T \in BL(X)$;

$$j(T) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} n(T) - n(T - \lambda) & \text{if } T \text{ is upper semi-Fredholm,} \\ d(T) - d(T - \lambda) & \text{if } T \text{ is lower semi-Fredholm.} \end{cases}$$

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T.T. West ([5]) has shown that if $j(T) \neq 0$, then there is the smallest integer t for which $T^{-1}(0) \subseteq T^{t-1}(X)$ but $T^{-1}(0) \not\subseteq T^t(X)$.

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LEMMA 1. *Let $T, T_i \in BL(X), i \in N$ be semi-Fredholm operators. Then*

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{aligned} (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^{-1}(0) &\subseteq (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^\infty(X) \\ &\text{iff } (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^{-\infty}(0) \subseteq (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^\infty(X) \\ &\text{iff } j(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(1.2) \quad T^{-m}(0) \subseteq (T^m)^\infty(X) \quad \text{iff } j(T^m) = 0$$

for each $m \in N$.

PROOF. Since each T_i is semi-Fredholm, $T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m$ is also semi-Fredholm. Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^{-\infty}(0) &\subseteq (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^\infty(X) \\ &\iff (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^{-1}(0) \subseteq (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^n(X) \text{ for each } n \in N \\ &\iff (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^{-1}(0) \subseteq (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^\infty(X). \end{aligned}$$

and

$$j(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m) = 0 \iff (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^{-\infty}(0) \subseteq (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^\infty(X).$$

Using the above argument, we have

$$T^{-m}(0) \subseteq (T^m)^\infty(X) \iff j(T^m) = 0,$$

for each $m \in N$. \square

2. Main Results

THEOREM 2. *Let each $T_i \in BL(X), i \in N$ be semi-Fredholm and let k and t be the smallest integers for which , for each $m \in N$,*

$$\begin{aligned} (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^{-1}(0) \cap (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^\infty(X) \\ = (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^{-1}(0) \cap (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^k(X), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^{-1}(0) \subseteq (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^{t-1}(X), \\ (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^{-1}(0) \not\subseteq (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^t(X) \end{aligned}$$

respectively. If either $k < t$ or $k = t$ and $T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m$ is hyperexact, then we have

$$(2.1) \quad d((T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^k) = kd(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)$$

and

$$(2.2) \quad j((T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^k) = kj(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m).$$

PROOF. Since each operator of the form $(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^n, n \in N$ is semi-Fredholm, we have

$$\begin{aligned} X/((T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^n(X) + (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^{-1}(0)) \\ \cong (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)(X)/(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^{n+1}(X). \end{aligned}$$

In particular, if $k < t$, then

$$(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^{-1}(0) \subseteq (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^k(X).$$

Hence we have

$$X/(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^k(X) \cong (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)(X)/(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^{k+1}(X).$$

By the inductive steps, we have

$$X/(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^k(X) \cong k(X/(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)(X)).$$

Since $(T_1 \cdots T_m)$, $(T_1 \cdots T_m)^k$ are semi-Fredholm, $X/(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)(X)$ and $X/(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^k(X)$ are finite dimensional normed spaces. Then,

$$d((T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^k) = kd(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m).$$

By the duality of $d((T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^k)$, we have

$$n((T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^k) = kn(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m).$$

If $k = t$ and $T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m$ is hyperexact, then

$$(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^{-1}(0) \subseteq (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^{k=t}(X) = (T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^\infty(X).$$

Since $j(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m) = 0$ by Lemma 1, we have

$$kn(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m) = kn(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m - \lambda) = n((T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^k)$$

for sufficiently small λ . Using the punctured neighborhood theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} n((T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m - \lambda)^l) - n((T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^l - \mu) \\ = l[n(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)] - l[n(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for each $l \in N$ and for a sufficiently small $\mu \in C$. Hence

$$n((T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^k) = kn(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m),$$

and

$$j((T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^k) = kn(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m).$$

By the duality of $n((T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^k)$,

$$d((T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m)^k) = kd(T_1 T_2 \cdots T_m).$$

Thus, we have the required results. \square

COROLLARY 3. *Let $T \in BL(X)$ be semi-Fredholm and let k and t be the smallest integer such that $T^{-1}(0) \cap T^\infty(X) = T^{-1}(0) \cap T^k(X)$ and $T^{-1}(0) \subseteq T^{t-1}(X)$ but $T^{-1}(0) \not\subseteq T^t(X)$ respectively. If either $k < t$ or $k = t$ and T is hyperexact, then we have*

$$(3.1) \quad d(T^k) = kd(T),$$

$$(3.2.) \quad j(T^k) = kj(T).$$

PROOF. Using Theorem 2, our assertion can be easily proved. \square

THEOREM 4. Let $S, T \in BL(X)$ commute.

(4.1) If T is an upper semi-Fredholm operator with finite ascent, and S is a compact operator with finite ascent, then

$$j(T + S) = n(T + S).$$

(4.2) If T is a lower semi-Fredholm operator with finite descent and S is a compact operator with finite descent, then

$$j(T + S) = d(T + S).$$

(4.3) If $S + T$ is a semi-Fredholm operator with finite ascent and t is the smallest integer for which $(T + S)^{-1}(0) \subseteq (T + S)^{t-1}(X)$ but $(T + S)^{-1}(0) \not\subseteq (T + S)^t(X)$ and either $k < t$ or $k = t$ and $T + S$ is hyperexact, then

$$j((T + S)^k) = kj(T + S) = kn(T + S).$$

PROOF. Suppose that T is upper semi-Fredholm with finite ascent and S is compact operator with finite ascent for (4.1). Then $T + S$ is upper semi-Fredholm and it has finite ascent. If $T + S$ has ascent k , then we have

$$(T + S)^{-1}(0) \cap (T + S)^k(X) = \{0\}.$$

and

$$\dim(T + S - \lambda)^{-1}(0) = \dim((T + S)^{-1}(0) \cap (T + S)^\infty(X))$$

for sufficiently small λ . Since

$$(T + S)^{-1}(0) \cap (T + S)^\infty(X) = (T + S)^{-1}(0) \cap (T + S)^k(X) = \{0\},$$

we have

$$\dim((T + S - \lambda)^{-1}(0)) = 0.$$

Hence

$$j(T + S) = n(T + S) - n(T + S - \lambda) = n(T + S)$$

for sufficiently small λ . And we have $d(T + S - \lambda) = 0$ for sufficiently small λ ([1],[3]). Thus $j(T + S) = d(T + S)$. Let t be the smallest integer for which $(T + S)^{-1}(0) \subseteq (T + S)^{t-1}(X)$ but $(T + S)^{-1}(0) \not\subseteq (T + S)^t(X)$ and $k \leq t$ for (4.3). If $T + S$ has finite ascent, then, (4.3) follows at once from Corollary 3 and (4.1). \square

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