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ON A CLASS OF FIRST ORDER NORMAL DIFFERENTIAL OPERATORS

Abstract

In this study, a first order differential operator in Hilbert space of vector-functions from the finite interval into a Hilbert space has been considered and the relationships between formality property and the coefficients of this operator have been investigated. Furthermore, all normal extensions of a suitably chosen minimal operator have been described in terms of boundary values.

Introduction

A densely defined, closed operator N in a Hilbert space H is called formally normal if $D(N) \subset D(N^*)$ and $\|Nf\| = \|N^*f\|$ for each $f \in D(N)$. If a formally normal operator N satisfies the condition $D(N) = D(N^*)$, then it is called normal operator [1]. In work [14], it has been shown that a densely defined, closed operator N is normal iff $NN^* = N^*N$.

The abstract theory of normal extensions of unbounded formally normal operators in H has been extensively learned in works [1], [3]-[5], [9]-[10], [15]. The application of normal extension theory of formally normal operators to the differential operators has a great importance as in Von Neumann's Theory. Because, many of physical and technical processes require non-self adjoint operators to be applied in Hilbert spaces. From this viewpoint, this theory has been less learned (for example: [2], [7],[12]).

Let us denote a separable Hilbert space by H and let us denote $L_2(0,1)$ by H_0 . Let $H_1 = L_2(H, (0,1))$ denote the Hilbert space of vector-functions from the interval $[0,1]$ into H .

1. In this section we will investigate the Relationships Between Formally Normality Property and The Coefficients:

Let us consider the differential-operator expression given by

$$l(u) = A(t)u' + B(t)u, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1, \quad (1.1)$$

where the coefficients $A(t)$, $B(t)$ are linear, bounded and self-adjoint operators in H for each $t \in [0,1]$ and $A(t)$ is strongly differentiable on $[0,1]$, $B(t)$ is strongly continue in $[0,1]$.

The differential operator expression

$$l^+(v) = -(A(t)v)' + B(t)v, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1 \quad (1.2)$$

is called formally adjoint of the differential expression (1.1).

Let us define two operators as follows:

$$L_0' u = l(u), L_0^+ v = l^+(v), u, v \in C_0^\infty(H, (0,1)).$$

The closure of L_0' (L_0^+) in H_1 is called minimal operator generated by the differential-operator expression (1.1)(1.2) and it is denoted by L_0 (L_0^+). The operator $L(L^+)$, adjoint of L_0^+ (L_0) in H_1 , is called maximal operator generated by $l(u)(l^+(v))$. Thus we have the following results:

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$$L = (L_0^+)^*, L^* = L_0^* \text{ and } L_0 \subset L, L_0^+ \subset L^+.$$

In this section Suppose $A(t)$, $B(t)$ are two-times and one-time differentiable respectively on $[0,1]$ such that $C(t) = A(t)A''(t) + A''(t)A(t) - 2A(t)B'(t) - 2B'(t)A(t)$ is uniformly continuous on $[0,1]$, and $A(t) \geq E$ for each $t \in [0,1]$.

Theorem 1.1. Minimal operator L_0 is formally normal in $L_2(H, (0,1))$ if and only if $C(t) \equiv 0$, $0 < t < 1$.

Proof. In first note that $D(L_0) = W_2^1(H, (0,1))$. Let us minimal operator L_0 is formally normal. Then we have $\|Au' + Bu\|_{H_1} = \|(Au)' - Bu\|_{H_1}$ for each $u(t) \in D(L_0)$. From this relation we obtain that $\|A'u\|_{H_1}^2 + \langle A'u, Au' \rangle_{H_1} + \langle Au', A'u \rangle_{H_1} - \langle Bu, A'u + 2Au \rangle_{H_1} - \langle A'u + 2Au', Bu \rangle_{H_1} = 0$ for each $u(t) \in D(L_0)$. Now replacing $u(t)$ by $\varphi(t)f$, $\varphi(t) \in W_2^1(0,1)$, $f \in H$ (see: [13] for $W_p^1(\cdot)$ and $W_p^1(\cdot)$), in the last that expression and then integrating term-by-term we get

$$\int_0^1 \sigma(t) \varphi^2(t) dt = 0, \quad \sigma(t) = \langle (A''A + AA'' - 2AB' - 2B'A)f, f \rangle_H. \quad (1.3)$$

Let us now prove that if (1.3) is valid for each function $\varphi(t) \in W_2^1(0,1)$, then $\sigma(t) \equiv 0$, $0 < t < 1$.

If the function $\sigma(t) \in C[0,1]$ satisfies the condition $\sigma(t) \geq 0$ (≤ 0), $0 < t < 1$, then from (1.3), $\sigma(t) \equiv 0$, $0 < t < 1$, is obvious.

Now assume that σ is negative on some intervals $\Delta_n = (\alpha_n, \beta_n) \subset [0,1]$, $n=1,2,\dots$, and non-negative on the remainder part of $[0,1] \setminus \bigcup_n \Delta_n$. For simplicity, suppose that $n=1$, i.e. $\sigma(t) < 0$, $t \in \Delta = (\alpha, \beta)$ and $\sigma(t) \geq 0$, $t \in [0,1] \setminus \Delta$. (The general case can be proved in an analogous manner)

Let us define the function $\varphi_{\alpha\beta}$ as

$$\varphi_{\alpha\beta} = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq t \leq \alpha \\ (t-\alpha)(t-\beta), & \alpha \leq t \leq \beta \\ 0, & \beta \leq t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

Then $\varphi_{\alpha\beta} \in W_2^1(0,1)$ is clear and from (1.3)

$$\int_0^1 \sigma(t) \varphi_{\alpha\beta}^2(t) dt = \int_{\Delta} \sigma(t) \varphi_{\alpha\beta}^2(t) dt = 0.$$

Notice that $\sigma'(t) \varphi_{\alpha\beta}^2(t) \in C[\alpha, \beta]$, $\sigma(t) \varphi_{\alpha\beta}^2(t) < 0$, $\varphi_{\alpha\beta} \neq 0$, $t \in \Delta$. So we get $\sigma'(t) < 0$, $t \in \Delta = (\alpha, \beta)$.

Let us consider the function $\varphi_{0\alpha}$ ($\varphi_{\beta 1}$) defined by

$$\varphi_{0\alpha}(t) = \begin{cases} t(t-1), & 0 \leq t \leq \alpha \\ 0, & \alpha \leq t \leq 1 \end{cases} \quad \varphi_{\beta 1}(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq t \leq \beta \\ (t-\beta)(t-1), & \beta \leq t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

Replacing $\varphi(t)$ by $\varphi_{0\alpha}(t)$ and $\varphi_{\beta 1}(t)$ in order in (1.3), we obtain

$$\sigma(t) = 0, t \in (0, \alpha) \text{ and } \sigma(t) = 0, t \in (\beta, 1).$$

Combining these results we see that $\sigma(t) = 0, t \in (0, \alpha) \cup (\alpha, \beta) \cup (\beta, 1)$.

Since σ is continuous on $[0, 1]$, it shows that $\sigma(t) = 0, 0 < t < 1$, i.e.

$$C(t) \equiv 0, 0 < t < 1.$$

If σ is positive on Δ and non-positive on $[0, 1] \setminus \Delta$, then the proof can be given in an analogous manner.

To prove the sufficiency, let us choose a function $u(t) \in D(L_0)$. Then

$$l(u) = A(t)u' + B(t)u' \in H_1$$

and

$$l^+(u) = -A(t)u' + (B(t) - A'(t))u = -(A(t)u' + B(t)u) - A'(t)u + 2B(t)u.$$

Since

$$\int_0^1 \|A'(t)u\|_H^2 dt \leq \left(\max_{t \in [0,1]} \|A'(t)\|_H^2 \right) \cdot \|u\|_{H_1}^2$$

and

$$\int_0^1 \|B(t)u\|_H^2 dt \leq \left(\max_{t \in [0,1]} \|B(t)\|_H^2 \right) \cdot \|u\|_{H_1}^2,$$

it shows that $l^+(u) \in H_1$, i.e., $u(t) \in D(L^+)$ and thus $D(L_0) \subset D(L^+)$.

Finally, let us show that the second condition of formally normality is provided.

Assume that $u(t) \in D(L_0)$ and $u(t) = \varphi(t)f, \varphi(t) \in W_2^1(0,1), f \in H$. It can be easily shown that

$$\|L_0 u\|_{H_1}^2 - \|L^+ u\|_{H_1}^2 = \int_0^1 \langle (A''A + AA'' - 2AB' - 2B'A)f, f \rangle_H \varphi^2(t) dt = 0, \text{ i.e., the}$$

operator L_0 satisfies the second condition of formally normality. This completes the proof.

Corollary 1.1. *Suppose $A = \text{constant}$ then the minimal operator L_0 generated by the differential-operator expression $l(u) = Au' + B(t)u$ is formally normal in H_1 if and only if*

$$AB'(t) + B'(t)A \equiv 0, 0 < t < 1.$$

If $A = E$, then $B(t) \equiv \text{constant}, 0 < t < 1$ and if $A(t) = \text{constant}, B(t) \equiv \text{constant}$, then L_0 is evidently formally normal where E is the identity operator on $L_2(H, (0,1))$.

If $\dim H = 1, a(t) \in C^2(0,1), b(t) \in C^1(0,1)$ and $a(t) \neq 0, t \in [0,1]$, then the necessary and sufficient condition for the normality property of the minimal operator l_0 generated by $l(u) = a(t)u' + b(t)u$ is the following:

$$a(t) = -2 \int_0^1 b(\tau) d\tau + C_1 t + C_2, \text{ where } e_1 \text{ and } e_2 \text{ any complex numbers.}$$

Let us show for which necessary conditions the minimal operator L_0 has a normal extension.

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Theorem 1.2. If L_0 has a normal extension, then the following conditions are satisfied:

$$C(t) \equiv 0, 0 < t < 1, \\ \{u : K_1(t)u(t) = 0\} \cap \{u : K_2(t)u(t) = 0\} \neq \{0\}.$$

Where,

$$K_1(t)u(t) = -A^2u'' + (BA - AB - A'A - AA')u' + (E + B^2 - A'B - AB')u,$$

$$K_2(t)u(t) = -A^2u'' + (AB - BA - 2AA')u' + (E + B^2 - BA' + AB' - AA'')u$$

Proof. Let \tilde{L} be a normal extension of $L_0 \subset \tilde{L} \subset L$ and $L_0^* \subset \tilde{L}^* \subset L^*$. It is seen from this that

$$D(L_0) \subset D(\tilde{L}) = D(L^*) \subset D(L^*), \text{ i.e., } D(L_0) \subset D(L^*).$$

On the other hand,

$$\|L_0u\|_{H_1} = \|\tilde{L}u\|_{H_1} = \|\tilde{L}^*u\|_{H_1} = \|L^*u\|_{H_1}, \text{ since } u(t) \in D(L_0).$$

Thus, the minimal operator L_0 is formally normal.

Consequently, by Theorem (1.1),

$$C(t) \equiv 0, 0 < t < 1.$$

Let us now show the second condition. The simple calculations show that

$$M = \text{Ker}(E + L^*L) =$$

$$\{u(t) : -A^2u'' + (BA - AB - A'A - AA')u' + (E + B^2 - A'B - AB')u = 0\}$$

and

$$M^1 = \text{Ker}(E + LL^*) =$$

$$\{u(t) : -A^2u'' + (AB - BA - 2AA')u' + (E + B^2 - BA' + AB' - AA'')u = 0\}.$$

From the assumption that the minimal operator L_0 has a normal extension $M \cap$

$M^1 \neq \{0\}$ (see:[1]). This completes the proof.

Especially, if $A(t) = \text{constant}$, $B(t) = \text{constant}$, $AB = BA$ and $0 \in \rho(A)$ (where $\rho(A)$ is the resolvent set of A), then the minimal operator L_0 generated by the expression

$l(u) = Au'(t) + Bu(t)$ is formally normal and $M =$

$$M^1 = \{u(t) : -A^2u'' + (E + B)u = 0\} \neq \{0\}.$$

Corollary 1.2. If $A(t) = \text{Constant}$, then $A[B(1) - B(0)] = [B(0) - B(1)]A$.

Proof. Considering that L_0 is formally normal,

$$C(t) = AA'' + A''A + 2AB' + 2B'A = 2AB' + 2B'A = 0. \text{ Since } A(t) = \text{constant},$$

from $AB' + B'A = 0$ we obtain:

$$\int_0^1 \langle B'(t)f, f^A \rangle_H dt + \int_0^1 \langle Af, B'(t)f \rangle_H dt = \langle B(t)f^A, f \rangle_H \Big|_0^1 + \langle Af, B(t)f \rangle_H \Big|_0^1 = 0$$

for each $f \in H$. In other words,

$$\langle (A[B(1) - B(0)]) + ([B(1) - B(0)]A)f, f \rangle_H = 0 \text{ for each } f \in H.$$

Hence,

$$A[B(1) - B(0)] = [B(0) - B(1)]A.$$

2. In this section we shall consider the differential-operator expression given by

$$l(u) = Au' + Bu, \quad (2.1)$$

where $A = A^* \geq \gamma_1 > 0$, $B = B^* \geq \gamma_2 > 0$, $AB = BA$ and $A, B \in B(H)$ -space of linear bounded operators in H . In this case we will describe, in terms of boundary values, all normal extensions of the minimal operator L_0 generated in H_1 by the expression (2.1). To do this, we need some additional informations.

In the following definition, it is assumed T is a closed, symmetric operator in the Hilbert space H such that T has the same deficiency indices.

Definition 2.1.([6]). Let H be a Hilbert space and γ_1, γ_2 be two linear mappings from $D(T^*)$ into H . The triplet (H, γ_1, γ_2) is called a space of boundary values of the operator T if:

- 1) $\langle T^* f, g \rangle - \langle f, T^* g \rangle_H = \langle \gamma_1 f, \gamma_2 g \rangle_H - \langle \gamma_2 f, \gamma_1 g \rangle_H$ for all f, g in $D(T^*)$;
- 2) For any F_1, F_2 in H , there exists $f \in D(T^*)$ such that $\gamma_1 f = F_1$ and $\gamma_2 f = F_2$.

If T is any symmetric operator in the Hilbert space H such that T has the same deficiency indices, say $n(n \leq \infty)$, then there exists a space of boundary values (H, γ_1, γ_2) of T such that $\dim H = n$ ([11]).

Let us now suppose that (H, γ_1, γ_2) is any space of boundary values of the operator T . Then following theorem is true:

Theorem 2.1.([6]) For the any unitary operator W in H the restriction of T^* on the manifold of vectors $f \in D(T^*)$ satisfying the condition

$$(W - E)\gamma_1(f) + i(W + E)\gamma_2(f) = 0 \quad (2.2)$$

or

$$(W - E)\gamma_1(f) - i(W + E)\gamma_2(f) = 0 \quad (2.3)$$

is defined a self-adjoint extension of the operator T . Conversely, any self-adjoint extension of T is the restriction of T^* to the manifold of vectors $f \in D(T^*)$ satisfying condition (2.2) or (2.3) such that the unitary operator W is defined uniquely by the extension.

The following theorem can be proved with the help of this facts:

Theorem 2.2. Let W be an unitary operator in H with the property $(AB)W = W(AB)$. Then the restriction of the operator L to the manifold of vector-functions $u(t) \in D(L)$ satisfying the boundary condition

$$u(1) = A^{-\frac{1}{2}} W A^{\frac{1}{2}} u(0) \quad (2.4)$$

is defined an normal extension in H_1 of the operator L_0 . Conversely, any normal extension of L_0 is the restriction of L^* to the manifold of vector-functions $u(t) \in D(L^*)$ satisfying condition (2.4) such that the unitary operator W in condition (2.4) is defined uniquely by the extension.

Proof. Let \tilde{L} be a normal extension in H_1 of the minimal operator L_0 . The operator

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$$\tilde{L}_J = \frac{\tilde{L} - \tilde{L}^*}{2i}$$

is a self-adjoint extension in H_1 of the closed symmetric and minimal operator L_0^J generated by the formally symmetric operator $l^J(u) = \frac{l(u) - l^*(u)}{2i} = -iAu'$. It can be proved that the triplet (H, γ_1, γ_2) , $H=H$, $\gamma_1(u) = \frac{A^{1/2}u(0) + A^{1/2}u(1)}{\sqrt{2}}$, $\gamma_2(u) = \frac{A^{1/2}u(0) - A^{1/2}u(1)}{\sqrt{2}}$ determines a space of boundary values of the minimal operator L_0 . Then by the Theorem 2.1, there exists an unitary operator W in H such that the boundary condition $(W - E)\gamma_1(u) + i(W + E)\gamma_2(u) = 0$, $u \in D(\tilde{L}_J)$, is valid. As for this condition,

$$u(1) = A^{-1/2}WA^{1/2}u(0).$$

Also, the operator $L_R = \frac{\tilde{L} + \tilde{L}^*}{2}$ is self-adjoint extension in H_1 of the minimal operator L_0^R generated by the formally symmetric operator

$$l^R(u) = Bu(t), u(t) \in D(\tilde{L}_R) = D(\tilde{L}_J) = D(\tilde{L}).$$

From the second condition of normality, we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Au', Bu \rangle_{H_1} + \langle Bu, Au' \rangle_{H_1} &= \langle (ABu)', u \rangle_{H_1} + \langle u, (ABu)' \rangle_{H_1} = \\ \langle u, ABu \rangle_{H_1} &= \langle u(1), ABu(1) \rangle_{H_1} - \langle u(0), ABu(0) \rangle_{H_1} = \\ \|(AB)^{1/2}u(1)\|_H^2 &- \|(AB)^{1/2}u(0)\|_H^2 = 0, u(0) \in d(\tilde{L}) \end{aligned}$$

This shows that there exist an isometric operator V in H such that

$$(AB)^{1/2}u(1) = V(AB)^{1/2}u(0), u(t) \in D(\tilde{L})$$

or

$$u(1) = (AB)^{-1/2}V(AB)^{1/2}u(0).$$

From this said, it is clear that the selfadjoint extension \tilde{L}_J is generated by two conditions:

$$(W - E)\gamma_1(u) + i(W + E)\gamma_2(u) = 0,$$

$$(W_1 - E)\gamma_1(u) + i(W_1 + E)\gamma_2(u) = 0, W_1 = (AB)^{-1/2}V(AB)^{1/2}, u \in D(\tilde{L}).$$

Since, for any self-adjoint \tilde{L}_J the unitary operator W is unique (see: Theorem 2.1), this implies that $W=W_1$, i.e.,

$$W = (AB)^{-1/2}V(AB)^{1/2}$$

From this, we have $V = (AB)^{1/2}W(AB)^{-1/2}$, that this says actually $(AB)W=W(AB)$.

Conversely, let W be an unitary operator in H with the property $(AB)W=W(AB)$ and let us denoted by $L(W)$ the restriction of the maximal operator L to the manifold of vector-functions satisfying condition (2.4). Then $L_0 \subset L(W) \subset L$ is clear.

Let us now prove that the operator $L(W)$ is a normal operator in H_1 . Consider the extension of the minimal-operator L_0^+ generated by the differential-operator expression $l^+(v) = -Av' + Bv$ satisfying the boundary condition

$$v(0) = A^{-1/2}W^*A^{1/2}v(1). \quad (2.5)$$

In deed, this considered operator is adjoint to

$$L(W), \text{ i.e., it is } L^*(W).$$

It is easily seen if W is unitary operator, then the boundary condition (2.4) and (2.5) determine the same manifold of vector-functions. Thus, $D(L(W)) = D(L^*(W))$.

On the other hand, for each $u(t) \in D(L(W))$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|L(W)u\|_{H_1}^2 - \|L^*(W)u\|_{H_1}^2 &= 2[\langle ABu(1), u(1) \rangle_H - \langle ABu(0), u(0) \rangle_H] = \\ &= 2\left[\langle AB(A^{1/2}W^*A^{-1/2}WA^{1/2} - E)u(0), u(0) \rangle_H\right]. \end{aligned}$$

From the condition (2.4), for all $u(t)$ in $D(L(W)) = D(L^*(W))$, $u(0) = A^{1/2}W^*A^{1/2}u(1) = A^{1/2}W^*A^{-1/2}A^{-1/2}W^{1/2}u(0)$. Using this fact in the previous relation, we see that

$$\|L(W)u\|_{H_1} = \|L^*(W)u\|_{H_1}, \quad u(t) \in D(L(W)).$$

Hence, the operator $L(W)$ is a normal extension of L_0 and this completes the proof.

Example: Let us $\lim H=1$. In this ease all normale extension \tilde{l} of the minimal operator l_0 generated by differential expression $l(u)=au'+bu$, $a>0$, $b>0$ in the space $L_2(0,1)$ in the form of boundary values writes:

$$u(1) = e^{iQ}u(0), \quad Q \in (0, 2\pi].$$

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