



On M -quasi paranormal operators

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Abstract. In this paper we introduce a new class of operators called M -quasi paranormal operators. A bounded linear operator T in a complex Hilbert space \mathcal{H} is said to be a M -quasi paranormal operator if it satisfies

$$\|T^2x\|^2 \leq M\|T^3x\| \cdot \|Tx\|,$$

$\forall x \in \mathcal{H}$, where M is a real positive number.

We prove basic properties, the structural and spectral properties of this class of operators.

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1. Introduction

Throughout this paper, let \mathcal{H} be a complex Hilbert space with inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$. Let $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ denote the C^* algebra of all bounded operators on \mathcal{H} . For $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$, we denote by $\ker T$ the null space, by $T(\mathcal{H})$ the range of T . The null operator and the identity on \mathcal{H} will be denoted by O and I , respectively. If T is an operator, then T^* is its adjoint, and $\|T\| = \|T^*\|$. The closure of a set \mathcal{A} will be denoted by $\overline{\mathcal{A}}$.

Recall that an operator $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ is said to be (see [6]):

- an isometry if $\|Tx\| = \|x\|, \forall x \in \mathcal{H}$;
- an unitary operator if $T^*T = TT^* = I$;
- a positive operator $T \geq O$, if $\langle Tx, x \rangle \geq 0, \forall x \in \mathcal{H}$.

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By $\sigma(T)$ we write the spectrum of T , the $r(T)$ is the spectral radius of operator T which is defined by $r(T) = \sup\{|\lambda| : \lambda \in \sigma(T)\}$. The $\sigma_a(T)$ is the approximate point spectrum of operator T and it is proved that if $\lambda \in \sigma_a(T)$, then exists sequence (x_n) , where $\|x_n\| = 1$ and $\|(T - \lambda I)x_n\| \rightarrow 0, n \rightarrow +\infty$ (see [6]).

An operator $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ is said to be:

- a paranormal operator if $\|Tx\|^2 \leq \|T^2x\|, \forall x \in \mathcal{H}, \|x\| = 1$, or equivalently if $T^{*2}T^2 - 2kT^*T + k^2 \geq O, \forall k > 0$ (see [2] [4], [5], [11]);
- a M -paranormal operators if $M^2T^{*2}T^2 - 2kT^*T + k^2 \geq O, \forall k > 0$ and for a fixed real positive number M , or equivalently if $\|Tx\|^2 \leq M\|T^2x\|, \forall x \in \mathcal{H}, \|x\| = 1$ and for a fixed real positive number M (see [1], [3], [8]);
- a M -quasi hyponormal if $\|T^*Tx\| \leq M\|T^2x\|, \forall x \in \mathcal{H}$ and for a fixed real positive number M (see [9], [10]).

2. Main results

Analyzing the very good qualities of these classes of operators, M -paranormal and M -quasi hyponormal operators, we came to the idea to introduce a new class of operators M -quasi paranormal, which could include these classes of operators, to be their generality and possibly to satisfy some of their properties.

Definition 1. An operator $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ is said to be a M -quasi paranormal operator, for a fixed real positive number M if T satisfies

$$\|T^2x\|^2 \leq M\|T^3x\| \cdot \|Tx\|,$$

$$\forall x \in \mathcal{H}.$$

From the definition we can prove the proper inclusions relation among the M -quasi hyponormal, M -paranormal and M -quasi paranormal operators as follows:

Proposition 1. Let be $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$.

1. Every M -quasi hyponormal operator is M -paranormal operator.
2. Every M -paranormal operator is M -quasi paranormal operator.

Proof. Let be $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ and $x \in \mathcal{H}, \|x\| = 1$. We may assume that $Tx \neq 0$.

1. Since T is a M -quasi hyponormal operator we have

$$\|T^*Tx\| \leq M\|T^2x\|,$$

$$\forall x \in \mathcal{H}, \|x\| = 1 \text{ and for a fixed real positive number } M.$$

We know that for any bounded linear operator T on \mathcal{H} and $\forall x \in \mathcal{H}, \|x\| = 1$ it is valid:

$$\|Tx\|^2 \leq \|T^*Tx\|$$

Therefore

$$M\|T^2x\| \geq \|T^*Tx\| \geq \|Tx\|^2$$

$\forall x \in \mathcal{H}, \|x\| = 1$. This prove that operator T is also M -paranormal.

2. Now let's suppose that T is a M -paranormal operator. Then we have:

$$\begin{aligned} M\|T^3x\| &= M\left\|T^2\frac{Tx}{\|Tx\|}\right\| \cdot \|Tx\| \geq \\ &\left\|T\frac{Tx}{\|Tx\|}\right\|^2 \cdot \|Tx\| = \\ &\frac{\|T^2x\|^2}{\|Tx\|} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$M\|T^3x\| \cdot \|Tx\| \geq \|T^2x\|^2.$$

Which prove that operator T is M -quasi paranormal operator.

From this proposition we have the inclusion:

$$M\text{-quasi hyponormal} \subseteq M\text{-paranormal} \subseteq M\text{-quasi paranormal}$$

In the following proposition we give the necessary and sufficient conditions under which an operator T is a M -quasi paranormal operator.

Proposition 2. *An operator $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ is M -quasi paranormal operator if and only if*

$$M^2T^{*3}T^3 - 2kT^{*2}T^2 + k^2T^*T \geq 0$$

$\forall k > 0$.

Proof. Since T is a M -quasi paranormal operator, for a fixed real positive number M , then

$$\|T^2x\|^2 \leq M\|T^3x\| \cdot \|Tx\|,$$

$\forall x \in \mathcal{H}$. Then,

$$\|T^2x\|^2 - M\|T^3x\| \cdot \|Tx\| \leq 0,$$

i.e.,

$$4(\|T^2x\|^2)^2 - 4M^2\|T^3x\|^2 \cdot \|Tx\|^2 \leq 0.$$

By elementary properties of real quadratic forms, this gives

$$\begin{aligned} k^2\|Tx\|^2 - 2k\|T^2x\|^2 + M^2\|T^3x\|^2 &\geq 0, \forall x \in H, \forall k > 0; \\ k^2\langle T^*Tx|x\rangle - 2k\langle T^{*2}T^2x|x\rangle + M^2\langle T^{*3}T^3x|x\rangle &\geq 0, \forall x \in H, \forall k > 0; \\ \langle (M^2T^{*3}T^3 - 2kT^{*2}T^2 + k^2T^*T)x|x\rangle &\geq 0, \forall x \in H, \forall k > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$M^2T^{*3}T^3 - 2kT^{*2}T^2 + k^2T^*T \geq 0, \forall x \in H, \forall k > 0.$$

The reverse implication follows by retracing the steps back.

In following we give an example of M -quasi paranormal operator.

Example 1. Let $T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{L}(l_2 \oplus l_2)$. Then T is M -quasi paranormal operator $\forall M \geq 1$.

By simple calculation we have that:

$$\begin{aligned} T^* &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ T^{*2} = T^{*3} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ T^2 = T^3 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ T^*T = T^{*2}T^2 = T^{*3}T^3 &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ M^2T^{*3}T^3 - 2kT^{*2}T^2 + k^2T^*T \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2M^2 - 4k + 2k^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2[(1-k)^2 + M^2 - 1] & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore T is M -quasi paranormal operator $\forall M \geq 1, \forall k > 0$.

The next proposition give the necessary and sufficient conditions for a weighted shift operator T with decreasing weighted sequence (α_n) to be a M -quasi paranormal operator.

Proposition 3. Let T be a weighted shift operator with decreasing weighted sequence (α_n) . Then T is a M -quasi paranormal operator if and only if

$$|\alpha_{n+1}| \leq M|\alpha_{n+2}|$$

$\forall n \in N$.

Proof. Since T is a weighted shift, its adjoint T^* is also a weighted shift and defined by $T(e_n) = |\alpha_n|e_{n+1}$ we have:

$$\begin{aligned} T^*(e_n) &= |\alpha_{n-1}|e_{n-1}, \\ (T^*T)(e_n) &= |\alpha_n|^2 e_n, \\ (T^{*2}T^2)(e_n) &= |\alpha_n|^2 |\alpha_{n+1}|^2 e_n, \\ (T^{*3}T^3)(e_n) &= |\alpha_n|^2 |\alpha_{n+1}|^2 |\alpha_{n+2}|^2 e_n. \end{aligned}$$

Now, since T is a M -quasi paranormal operator then,

$$\begin{aligned} M^2 T^{*3} T^3 - 2k T^{*2} T^2 + k^2 T^* T &\geq 0, \forall k > 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow M^2 |\alpha_n|^2 |\alpha_{n+1}|^2 |\alpha_{n+2}|^2 - 2k |\alpha_n|^2 |\alpha_{n+1}|^2 + k^2 |\alpha_n|^2 &\geq 0, \forall k > 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow M^2 |\alpha_{n+1}|^2 |\alpha_{n+2}|^2 - 2k |\alpha_{n+1}|^2 + k^2 &\geq 0, \forall k > 0. \end{aligned}$$

By elementary properties of real quadratic forms, this gives

$$\begin{aligned} 4|\alpha_{n+1}|^4 - 4M^2 |\alpha_{n+1}|^2 |\alpha_{n+2}|^2 &\leq 0 \\ |\alpha_{n+1}| &\leq M |\alpha_{n+2}| \end{aligned}$$

Example 2. A weighted shift operator T with decreasing weighted sequence $\alpha_n = 2^n, n \in N$ is a M -quasi paranormal operator for every fixed real number $M \geq \frac{1}{2}$ (it is clear from Proposition 3).

Proposition 4. Let T be a non singular weighted shift operator with decreasing weighted sequence (α_n) . Then T^{-1} is a M -quasi paranormal operator if and only if

$$|\alpha_{n-3}| \leq M |\alpha_{n-2}|$$

$$\forall n \geq 3.$$

In the next propositions we will prove some properties of M -quasi paranormal operators.

Proposition 5. Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ be a M -quasi paranormal operator.

- a) If T double commutes with an isometric operator S , then TS is a M -quasi paranormal operator.
- b) If S is unitarily equivalent to operator T , then S is a M -quasi paranormal operator.
- c) If A is a closed T invariant subset of \mathcal{H} , then, the restriction $T|_A$ is a M -quasi paranormal operator.

Proof. Let be $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ a M -quasi paranormal operator.

a) Let be S an isometric operator and let be $B = TS$. Since operator T double commutes with operator S we have $TS = ST$, $S^*T = TS^*$ and $S^*S = I$. Now,

$$\begin{aligned} & M^2 B^{*3} B^3 - 2k B^{*2} B^2 + k^2 B^* B \\ &= M^2 (TS)^{*3} (TS)^3 - 2k (TS)^{*2} (TS)^2 + k^2 (TS)^* (TS) \\ &= M^2 T^{*3} T^3 - 2k T^{*2} T^2 + k^2 T^* T \geq 0, \forall k > 0 \end{aligned}$$

so TS is a M -quasi paranormal operator.

b) Since operator S is unitarily equivalent to operator T , then there exists an unitary operator U such that $S = U^* TU$. Since T is a M -quasi paranormal operator then

$$M^2 T^{*3} T^3 - 2k T^{*2} T^2 + k^2 T^* T \geq 0, \forall k > 0.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} & M^2 S^{*3} S^3 - 2k S^{*2} S^2 + k^2 S^* S \\ &= M^2 (U^* TU)^{*3} (U^* TU)^3 - 2k (U^* TU)^{*2} (U^* TU)^2 + k^2 (U^* TU)^* (U^* TU) \\ &= U^* (M^2 T^{*3} T^3 - 2k T^{*2} T^2 + k^2 T^* T) U \geq 0, \forall k > 0 \end{aligned}$$

so S is a M -quasi paranormal operator.

c)

$$\begin{aligned} & \|(T|_A)^2 u\|^2 \\ &= \|T^2 u\|^2 \leq M(\|T^3 u\| \cdot \|Tu\|) \\ &= M(\|(T|_A)^3 u\| \cdot \|Tu\|). \end{aligned}$$

This implies that $T|_A$ is a M -quasi paranormal operator.

Proposition 6. If $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ is a invertible M -quasi paranormal operator then T^{-1} is also M -quasi paranormal operator.

Proof. Since T is a M -quasi paranormal operator, for a fixed real positive number M , then

$$\|T^2 x\|^2 \leq M \|T^3 x\| \cdot \|Tx\|,$$

$\forall x \in \mathcal{H}$. Then,

$$\frac{\|T^2 x\|}{\|T^3 x\|} \leq \frac{M \|Tx\|}{\|T^2 x\|}$$

$\forall x \in \mathcal{H}$. Now replacing x by $T^{-4}x$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\|T^2 T^{-4} x\|}{\|T^3 T^{-4} x\|} &\leq \frac{M \|T T^{-4} x\|}{\|T^2 T^{-4} x\|} \\ \frac{\|T^{-2} x\|}{\|T^{-1} x\|} &\leq \frac{M \|T^{-3} x\|}{\|T^{-2} x\|} \\ \|T^{-2} x\|^2 &\leq M \|T^{-3} x\| \cdot \|T^{-1} x\|\end{aligned}$$

$\forall x \in \mathcal{H}$. This shows that T^{-1} is a M -quasi paranormal operator.

Proposition 7. *Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ be a M -quasi paranormal operator. If T^k has dense range, then T is a M -paranormal operator.*

Proof. Since T^k has dense range, $\overline{T^k(\mathcal{H})} = \mathcal{H}$. Let $y \in \mathcal{H}$. Then there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{+\infty}$ in \mathcal{H} such that $T^k(x_n) \rightarrow y$, $n \rightarrow +\infty$. Since T is a M -quasi paranormal operator, then

$$\begin{aligned}\langle (M^2 T^{*3} T^3 - 2kT^{*2} T^2 + k^2 T^* T)x_n, x_n \rangle &\geq 0, \forall k > 0; \\ \langle (T^*(M^2 T^{*2} T^2 - 2kT^* T + k^2)T)x_n, x_n \rangle &\geq 0, \forall k > 0; \\ \langle (M^2 T^{*2} T^2 - 2kT^* T + k^2)Tx_n, Tx_n \rangle &\geq 0, \forall k > 0.\end{aligned}$$

By the continuity of the inner product, we have

$$\langle (M^2 T^{*2} T^2 - 2kT^* T + k^2)y, y \rangle \geq 0, \forall y \in \mathcal{H}, \forall k > 0.$$

Therefore T is a M -paranormal operator.

In following we give the inclusion of approximate point spectrum of this class of operators.

Proposition 8. *Let $T \in L(H)$ be a regular M -quasi paranormal operator. Then the approximate point spectrum of operator T lies in the disc*

$$\sigma_a(T) \subseteq \{\lambda \in C : \frac{1}{\sqrt{M} \|T^{-2}\| \cdot \sqrt{\|T^2\|}} \leq |\lambda| \leq \|T\|\}.$$

Proof. Let T be a regular M -quasi paranormal operator, $\forall x \in \mathcal{H}, \|x\| = 1$ we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\|x\|^2 &= \|T^{-2} \cdot T^2 x\|^2 \\ &\leq \|T^{-2}\|^2 \cdot \|T^2 x\|^2 \\ &\leq \|T^{-2}\|^2 \cdot M \cdot \|T^3 x\| \cdot \|Tx\|\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq M \cdot \|T^{-2}\|^2 \cdot \|T^2\| \cdot \|Tx\| \cdot \|Tx\| \\ &= M \cdot \|T^{-2}\|^2 \cdot \|T^2\| \cdot \|Tx\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$1 \leq M \cdot \|T^{-2}\|^2 \cdot \|T^2\| \cdot \|Tx\|^2,$$

where we have

$$\|Tx\| \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}\|T^{-2}\| \cdot \sqrt{\|T^2\|}}.$$

Now, assume that $\lambda \in \sigma_a(T)$, then $\exists(x_n)$, $\|x_n\| = 1$ and $\|(T - \lambda I)x_n\| \rightarrow 0, n \rightarrow +\infty$.

From the last inequation we have:

$$\|Tx_n - \lambda x_n\| \geq \|Tx_n\| - |\lambda| \cdot \|x_n\| \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}\|T^{-2}\| \cdot \sqrt{\|T^2\|}} - |\lambda|.$$

Now, when $n \rightarrow +\infty$ we have

$$|\lambda| \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}\|T^{-2}\| \cdot \sqrt{\|T^2\|}}.$$

So, we have

$$\sigma_a(T) \subseteq \{\lambda \in C : \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}\|T^{-2}\| \cdot \sqrt{\|T^2\|}} \leq |\lambda| \leq \|T\|\}.$$

Therefore the proof is completed.

Now we will give some results for the matrix representation of M -quasi paranormal operators.

Proposition 9. *Let $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H} \oplus \mathcal{H})$ be the operator defined as*

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

If A is a M -paranormal operator, then T is a M -quasi paranormal operator.

Proof. A simple calculation shows that:

$$\begin{aligned} T^* &= \begin{pmatrix} A^* & 0 \\ B^* & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ T^{*2} &= \begin{pmatrix} A^{*2} & 0 \\ B^* A^* & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ T^2 &= \begin{pmatrix} A^2 & AB \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ T^{*3} &= \begin{pmatrix} A^{*3} & 0 \\ B^* A^{*2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
T^3 &= \begin{pmatrix} A^3 & A^2B \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\
T^{*3}T^3 &= \begin{pmatrix} A^{*3}A^3 & A^{*3}A^2B \\ B^*A^{*2}A^3 & B^*A^{*2}A^2B \end{pmatrix}. \\
M^2T^{*3}T^3 - 2kT^{*2}T^2 + k^2T^*T \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} A^*(M^2A^{*2}A^2 - 2kA^*A + k^2)A & A^*(M^2A^{*2}A^2 - 2kA^*A + k^2)B \\ B^*(M^2A^{*2}A^2 - 2kA^*A + k^2)A & B^*(M^2A^{*2}A^2 - 2kA^*A + k^2)B \end{pmatrix}, \forall k > 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Let $u = x \oplus y \in \mathcal{H} \oplus \mathcal{H}$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\langle (M^2T^{*3}T^3 - 2kT^{*2}T^2 + k^2T^*T)u, u \rangle \\
&= \langle A^*(M^2A^{*2}A^2 - 2kA^*A + k^2)Ax, x \rangle + \langle A^*(M^2A^{*2}A^2 - 2kA^*A + k^2)By, x \rangle \\
&\quad + \langle B^*(M^2A^{*2}A^2 - 2kA^*A + k^2)Ax, y \rangle + \langle B^*(M^2A^{*2}A^2 - 2kA^*A + k^2)By, y \rangle \\
&= \langle (M^2A^{*2}A^2 - 2kA^*A + k^2)Ax, Ax \rangle + \langle (M^2A^{*2}A^2 - 2kA^*A + k^2)By, Ax \rangle \\
&\quad + \langle (M^2A^{*2}A^2 - 2kA^*A + k^2)Ax, By \rangle + \langle (M^2A^{*2}A^2 - 2kA^*A + k^2)By, By \rangle \\
&= \langle (M^2A^{*2}A^2 - 2kA^*A + k^2)(Ax + By), (Ax + By) \rangle \geq 0, \forall k > 0
\end{aligned}$$

because A is a M -paranormal operator this prove that T is a M -quasi paranormal operator.

Proposition 10. *Let T be a M -quasi paranormal operator, the range of T not to be dense, and*

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ O & C \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{on } \mathcal{H} = \overline{T(\mathcal{H})} \oplus \ker T^*.$$

Then, A is a M -paranormal operator on $\overline{T(\mathcal{H})}$, $C = O$ and $\sigma(T) = \sigma(A) \cup \{0\}$.

Proof.

Suppose that T is a M -quasi paranormal operator. Since that T does not have dense range, we can represent T as the upper triangular matrix:

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & C \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{on } \mathcal{H} = \overline{T(\mathcal{H})} \oplus \ker T^*.$$

Since T is a M -quasi paranormal operator, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&M^2T^{*3}T^3 - 2kT^{*2}T^2 + k^2T^*T \geq 0, \forall k > 0 \\
&\Rightarrow T^*(M^2T^{*2}T^2 - 2kT^*T + k^2)T \geq 0, \forall k > 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, after some calculation similar as in Proposition 9 we get:

$$\langle (M^2T^{*2}T^2 - 2kT^*T + k^2)x, x \rangle = \langle (M^2A^{*2}A^2 - 2kA^*A + k^2)y, y \rangle \geq 0,$$

$$\forall y \in \overline{T(\mathcal{H})}, \forall k > 0.$$

Hence

$$M^2 A^{*2} A^2 - 2kA^* A + k^2 \geq 0, \forall k > 0.$$

This shows that A is a M -paranormal operator, on $\overline{T(\mathcal{H})}$.

Let P be the orthogonal projection of H onto $\overline{T(\mathcal{H})}$. For any

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{H} = \overline{T(\mathcal{H})} \oplus \ker T^*.$$

Then

$$\langle Cx_2, x_2 \rangle = \langle T(I - P)x, (I - P)x \rangle = \langle (I - P)x, T^*(I - P)x \rangle = 0.$$

Thus $T^* = 0$.

Since $\sigma(A) \cup \sigma(C) = \sigma(T) \cup \vartheta$, where ϑ is the union of the holes in $\sigma(T)$, which happen to be a subset of $\sigma(A) \cap \sigma(C)$ by [7, Corollary 7]. Since $\sigma(A) \cap \sigma(C)$ has no interior points, then $\sigma(T) = \sigma(A) \cup \sigma(C) = \sigma(A) \cup \{0\}$ and $C^k = 0$.

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