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ON THE DESCRIPTION OF GENERALIZED EXTENSIONS WITH ONE-DIMENSIONAL IMAGINARY COMPONENT OF THE DIFFERENTIATION OPERATOR WITHOUT SPECTRUM

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I. Let T be a closed operator acting in a Hilbert space \mathcal{G} , for which

$$T_0 \subset T, \quad T^* \subset T_0^*, \quad (1)$$

where T_0 is a symmetric operator with dense domain. Consider the Hilbert space $\mathcal{G}_+ = D_{T_0^*}$ with scalar product

$$(f, g)_+ = (T_0^* f, T_0^* g)_0 + (f, g)_0 \quad (f, g \in \mathcal{G}_+). \quad (2)$$

Construct a triple of spaces $\mathcal{G}_+ \subseteq \mathcal{G}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{G}_-$, where \mathcal{G}_- is the space of generalized elements generating antilinear functionals on \mathcal{G}_+ (see ^(2,4)).

In ^(4,5) it was shown that T and T^* can always be extended to $\mathcal{G}_+ = D_{T_0^*}$ in such a way that the resulting extensions $T_{\mathcal{G}_+}$ and $T_{\mathcal{G}_+}^\times$ are adjoint to one another in the generalized sense; moreover, $T_{\mathcal{G}_+}$ was called a generalized extension of the operator T .

M. S. Livšic is responsible for ⁽¹⁾ the well-known theorem that every quasidissipative extension without spectrum of a simple symmetric operator with deficiency index $(1, 1)$ is unitarily equivalent to the differentiation operator T

$$\begin{aligned} Tf &= \frac{1}{i} \frac{df}{dx} & (f(0) = 0, 0 \leq x \leq \eta), \\ T^* f &= \frac{1}{i} \frac{df}{dx} & (f(\eta) = 0, 0 \leq x \leq \eta). \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

It is therefore natural that it is of interest to give a description of all generalized extensions of the differentiation operator (3).

In the present paper we give a description of the generalized extensions $T_{\mathcal{G}_+}$ of this operator that have a one-dimensional imaginary component $(T_{\mathcal{G}_+} - T_{\mathcal{G}_+}^\times)/i$, which makes it possible to single out in a natural way an important class of such extensions.

II. Let $\mathcal{G}_0 = L_2[0, \eta]$, and let

$$T_0 f = \frac{1}{i} \frac{df}{dx} \quad (f(0) = f(\eta) = 0).$$

It is known (3) that $T_0^* f = \frac{1}{i} \frac{df}{dx}$, and $D_{T_0^*}$ consists of absolutely continuous functions on $[0, \eta]$ whose derivatives belong to $L_2[0, \eta]$. Obviously, the operators T and T^* satisfy condition (1). It follows from (2) that $\mathcal{G}_+ = W_2^{(1)}[0, \eta] = D_{T_0^*}$, and the scalar product in \mathcal{G}_+ is given by the formula

$$(f, g)_+ = \int_0^\eta f'(x) \overline{g'(x)} dx + \int_0^\eta f(x) \overline{g(x)} dx.$$

Let us construct the space \mathcal{G}_- , so that $\mathcal{G}_+ \subseteq \mathcal{G}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{G}_-$.

Consider the family of operators acting from \mathcal{G}_+ into \mathcal{G}_- :

$$T_{G_+}(\xi) f = \frac{1}{i} \frac{df}{dx} + i f(0) [e^{i\xi\eta} \delta(x - \eta) - \delta(x)], \quad (4)$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} -\infty < \xi < +\infty \\ 0 \leq x \leq \eta \end{array} \right)$$

$$T_{G_+}^\times(\xi) f = \frac{1}{i} \frac{df}{dx} + i f(\eta) e^{-i\xi\eta} [e^{i\xi\eta} \delta(x - \eta) - \delta(x)]; \quad (5)$$

here $\delta(x - \eta)$, $\delta(x)$ are generalized elements (delta functions) generating the functionals

$$(\delta(x - \eta), f)_0 = \overline{f(\eta)}, \quad (\delta(x), f)_0 = \overline{f(0)}.$$

It is not hard to see that for each fixed ξ the operators $T_{G_+}(\xi)$ and $T_{G_+}^\times(\xi)$ are extensions of T and T^* , respectively, and moreover

$$(T_{G_+}(\xi) f, g)_0 = (f, T_{G_+}^\times(\xi) g)_0 \quad (f, g \in \mathcal{G}_+).$$

In addition, it follows from (4), (5) that

$$\frac{T_{G_+}(\xi) - T_{G_+}^\times(\xi)}{i} f = (f, [e^{i\xi\eta}\delta(x-\eta) - \delta(x)])_0 J [e^{i\xi\eta}\delta(x-\eta) - \delta(x)]$$

$$(J = -1). \quad (6)$$

Relation (6) shows that for every ξ the imaginary component of the family of operators $T_{G_+}(\xi)$ is one-dimensional.

We shall show that the family of operators (4) exhausts all generalized extensions of the operator T on $\mathcal{G}_+ = D_{T_0}$ that have a one-dimensional imaginary component.

III. In what follows we shall need one theorem, whose proof may be found in (5) and whose statement we give for convenience.

Theorem 1. Let the operator T satisfy conditions (1). In order that the operators T and T^* be extendable to the whole space

$$\mathcal{G}_+ = D_{T_0^*} = D_T + D_{T^*}$$

in such a way that the resulting extensions T_{G_+} and $T_{G_+}^\times$ are adjoint to each other in the generalized sense, it is necessary and sufficient that there exist linear operators $P(D_{T^*} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_-)$ and $Q(D_T \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_-)$ possessing the following properties:

$$\begin{aligned} 1) \quad & (Pf_2, g_2)_0 = (f_2, T^*g_2)_0, \quad (Qf_1, g_1)_0 = (f_1, Tg_1)_0 \\ & (f_1, g_1 \in D_T, f_2, g_2 \in D_{T^*}); \\ 2) \quad & (Pf_2, g_1)_0 = (f_2, Qg_1)_0 \quad (g_1 \in D_T, f_2 \in D_{T^*}); \\ 3) \quad & P\varphi = T\varphi, \quad Q\varphi = T^*\varphi \quad (\varphi \in D_{T_0} = D_T \cap D_{T^*}). \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} T_{G_+}f &= Tf_1 + Pf_2, \\ T_{G_+}^\times f &= Qf_1 + T^*f_2 \end{aligned} \quad (f = f_1 + f_2, f_1 \in D_{T^*}, f \in \mathcal{G}_+). \quad (8)$$

Theorem 2. There do not exist two distinct generalized extensions T_{G_+} and $T_{G_+}^\times$ of the operator

$$Tf = \frac{1}{i} \frac{df}{dx} \quad (f(0) = 0, 0 \leq x \leq \eta)$$

on $\mathcal{G}_+ = D_{T_0^*}$, for which the real parts would be extensions of the self-adjoint operator

$$A_0\psi = \frac{1}{i} \frac{d\psi}{dx} \quad (\psi(0) + \theta\psi(\eta) = 0, |\theta| = 1).$$

Proof. Let

$$T_{G_+} = A + iB, \quad T'_{G_+} = A' + iB', \quad (9)$$

where $A = (T_{G_+} + T_{G_+}^\times)/2$, $A' = (T'_{G_+} + T'_{G_+}{}^\times)/2$, etc.

From theorem (1) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\mathfrak{G}_+} f &= T f_1 + P f_2, & T'_{\mathfrak{G}_+} f &= T f_1 + P' f_2, \\ T_{\mathfrak{G}_+}^\times f &= Q f_1 + T^* f_2, & T'_{\mathfrak{G}_+}{}^\times f &= Q' f_1 + T^* f_2. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

From (9) and (10) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} A f &= \frac{1}{2}(T f_1 + T^* f_2 + Q f_1 + P f_2), \\ (f &= f_1 + f_2, f_1 \in D_T, f_2 \in D_{T^*}), \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

$$A' f = \frac{1}{2}(T f_1 + T^* f_2 + Q' f_1 + P' f_2).$$

In (5) it was shown that $T_0^* f = T f_1 + T^* f_2$ ($f = f_1 + f_2$, $f_1 \in D_T$, $f_2 \in D_{T^*}$). Therefore, taking (11) into account, we obtain

$$A f = \frac{1}{2}(T_0^* f + Q f_1 + P f_2), \quad A' f = \frac{1}{2}(T_0^* f + Q' f_1 + P' f_2). \quad (12)$$

Suppose now that A and A' are extensions of the self-adjoint operator A_0 , i.e. $A f_0 = A_0 f_0$, $A' f_0 = A_0 f_0$ ($f_0 \in D_{A_0}$). Since $T_0 \subset A_0 \subset T_0^*$, we have

$$A_0 f_0 = \frac{1}{2}(A_0 f_0 + Q f_1^0 + P f_2^0),$$

$$A_0 f_0 = \frac{1}{2}(A_0 f_0 + Q' f_1^0 + P' f_2^0), \quad (f_0 = f_1^0 + f_2^0, f_1^0 \in D_T, f_2^0 \in D_{T^*}, f_0 \in D_{A_0}).$$

From the last relations it follows that

$$(Q - Q') f_1^0 = -(P - P') f_2^0. \quad (13)$$

From equalities (7) and (13) it follows that

$$((Q - Q')f_1^0, g_1)_0 = -((P - P')f_2^0, g_1)_0 = 0,$$

$$((P - P')f_2^0, g_2)_0 = -((Q - Q')f_1^0, g_2)_0 = 0.$$

Hence

$$((Q - Q')f_1^0, g_1)_0 = 0, \quad ((Q - Q')f_1^0, g_2)_0 = 0,$$

therefore,

$$((Q - Q')f_1^0, g)_0 = 0 \quad (g = g_1 + g_2, g_1 \in D_T, g_2 \in D_{T^*})$$

and, consequently, $(Q - Q')f_1^0 = 0$. Similarly, $(P - P')f_2^0 = 0$. From (8) and (12) it follows that $T_{\mathfrak{G}_+} f_0 = T'_{\mathfrak{G}_+} f_0$, $Af_0 = A'f_0$.

Thus, we have proved that the generalized extensions $T_{\mathfrak{G}_+}$ and $T'_{\mathfrak{G}_+}$ of the operator T coincide on the subspace D_{A_0} under the condition that their real parts are extensions of the self-adjoint operator A_0 . We shall now show that $T_{\mathfrak{G}_+}$ and $T'_{\mathfrak{G}_+}$ coincide on the whole space \mathfrak{G}_+ .

Let f_1^0 be an arbitrary function from D_T . Then, as is easy to see, one can choose a function $f_2^0 \in D_{T^*}$ such that $f_0 = f_1^0 + f_2^0$ belongs to the set D_{A_0} . From (9) it follows that $T_{\mathfrak{G}_+}^\times = A - iB$, $T_{\mathfrak{G}_+}^{\prime \times} = A' - iB'$. Therefore

$$Tf_1^0 = Af_1^0 + iBf_1^0, \quad T'f_1^0 = A'f_1^0 + iB'f_1^0,$$

$$T^*f_2^0 = A'f_2^0 - iB'f_2^0, \quad T^*f_2^0 = Af_2^0 - iBf_2^0. \quad (14)$$

From relations (14) it follows that

$$Tf_1^0 + T^*f_2^0 = A(f_1^0 + f_2^0) + iB(f_1^0 - f_2^0),$$

$$T'f_1^0 + T^*f_2^0 = A'(f_1^0 + f_2^0) + iB'(f_1^0 - f_2^0);$$

whence it follows immediately that

$$(A - A')f_0 + i(B - B')(f_1^0 - f_2^0) = 0 \quad (f_0 = f_1^0 + f_2^0, f_0 \in D_{A_0}). \quad (15)$$

Since, as we have shown, $T_{\mathfrak{g}_+} f_0 = T'_{\mathfrak{g}_+} f_0$, it already follows easily that $Bf_0 = B'f_0$, $Af_0 = A'f_0$. Therefore from (15) $(B - B')(f_1^0 - f_2^0) = 0$, i.e.,

$$(B - B')f_1^0 = (B - B')f_2^0. \quad (16)$$

Since $f_1^0 + f_2^0 = f_0$, we have

$$(B - B')f_1^0 + (B - B')f_2^0 = 0. \quad (17)$$

From (16) and (17) we obtain that $(B - B')f_1^0 = 0$ for an arbitrary function $f_1^0 \in D_T$. Similarly one proves that $(B - B')f_2^0 = 0$ for an arbitrary function $f_2^0 \in D_{T^*}$. Hence it follows that $(B - B')f = 0$ ($f \in \mathfrak{G}_+$). Since, when the imaginary components coincide, $B = B'$, the generalized extensions $T_{\mathfrak{g}_+}$ and $T'_{\mathfrak{g}_+}$, as is known (5), also coincide, it follows that $T_{\mathfrak{g}_+} = T'_{\mathfrak{g}_+}$. The theorem is proved.

Theorem 3. In order that a generalized extension $T_{\mathfrak{g}_+}$ of the operator

$$Tf = \frac{1}{i} \frac{df}{dx} \quad (f(0) = 0, 0 \leq x \leq \eta)$$

have a one-dimensional imaginary component, it is necessary and sufficient that the real part $(T_{\mathfrak{g}_+} + T_{\mathfrak{g}_+}^\times)/2$ be an extension of some self-adjoint operator A_0 which is an extension of the operator

$$T_0 f = \frac{1}{i} \frac{df}{dx} \quad (f(0) = f(\eta) = 0, 0 \leq x \leq \eta).$$

Proof. It is known (3) that all self-adjoint extensions of the operator T_0 have the form

$$T(\theta)f = \frac{1}{i} \frac{df}{dx} \quad (f(0) + \theta f(\eta) = 0, |\theta| = 1, 0 \leq x \leq \eta). \quad (18)$$

Let now $T_{\mathfrak{g}_+}$ be some generalized extension of the operator T , for which $(T_{\mathfrak{g}_+} + T_{\mathfrak{g}_+}^\times)/2$ is an extension of the operator $T(\theta)$ for fixed θ ($|\theta| = 1$). From (4) it follows that ξ can be chosen so that $(T_{\mathfrak{g}_+}(\xi) + T_{\mathfrak{g}_+}^\times(\xi))/2$ will also be an extension of $T(\theta)$ for the same θ . By virtue of Theorem 2, $T_{\mathfrak{g}_+}$ and $T_{\mathfrak{g}_+}^\times(\xi)$ must coincide. From (6) it follows that $T_{\mathfrak{g}_+}$ has a one-dimensional imaginary component. Sufficiency is proved.

Let now $T_{\mathfrak{g}_+}$ be a generalized extension of the operator T having a one-dimensional imaginary component, i.e.,

$$T_{\mathfrak{g}_+} = A + i(\cdot, e_0)_0 J e_0 \quad (A = A^\times, J = \pm 1). \quad (19)$$

From (19) it follows that

$$Tf_1 = Af_1 + i(f_1, e_0)_0 Je_0, \quad T^*f_2 = Af_2 - i(f_2, e_0)_0 Je_0, \quad (f_1 \in D_T, f_2 \in D_{T^*}),$$

hence

$$Af = T_0^*f - i(f_1 - f_2, e_0)_0 Je_0 \quad (f = f_1 + f_2, f_1 \in D_T, f_2 \in D_{T^*}). \quad (20)$$

It is not difficult to show that for any $f_1 \in D_T$ one can indicate such an $f_2 \in D_{T^*}$ that $(f_1, e_0)_0 = (f_2, e_0)_0$. Therefore the operator A , as is seen from (20), will act on vectors $f = f_1 + f_2$ ($(f_1, e_0)_0 = (f_2, e_0)_0$) as an operator in the space \mathfrak{G}_0 and will be a symmetric extension of T_0 . Consequently, as is known (3), it must coincide with one of the operators $T(\theta)$ (see (18)). The theorem is proved.

Corollary. The totality of generalized extensions with one-dimensional imaginary component of the differentiation operator T (3) consists of the family (4).

Let us note in conclusion that all generalized extensions (4) in the space \mathfrak{G} also have no spectrum in the finite part of the plane (see (5)).

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