A SPECTRAL MAPPING THEOREM FOR FUNCTIONS OF TWO COMMUTING LINEAR OPERATORS

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Let $\mathcal{X}$ be a complex Banach space and $\mathcal{X}^*$ the dual space of $\mathcal{X}$. Let $\mathcal{A}$ and $\mathcal{A}^*$ be the Banach algebras of all endomorphisms of $\mathcal{X}$ and $\mathcal{X}^*$, respectively; if $T \in \mathcal{A}$ the adjoint $T^* \in \mathcal{A}^*$. We use $\mathcal{A}$ to denote the Banach algebra of all endomorphisms of $\mathcal{A}$ considered as a Banach space. As in [3] we associate with any $U$, $V \in \mathcal{A}$, the operators $U^+$, $V^- \in \mathcal{A}$ defined by $U^+(x) = UX$ and $V^-(x) = XV$. Note that $U^+V^- = V^-U^+$. Let $f(\xi_1, \xi_2)$ be a single-valued function of two complex variables that is analytic in both variables in a domain that contains the product $\sigma(U^+) \times \sigma(V^-)$ of the spectra of the operators $U^+$ and $V^-$. Then $f(U^+, V^-)$ is given by (see J. Schwartz [4])

$$
\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_1} \int_{\Gamma_2} (\xi_1 I^+ - U^+)^{-1}(\xi_2 I^- - V^-)^{-1}f(\xi_1, \xi_2) d\xi_1 d\xi_2,
$$

where $\Gamma_1$ and $\Gamma_2$ are suitable contours and $I$ is the identity operator in $\mathcal{A}$. The operator defined by (1) belongs to $\mathcal{A}$.

In this note we determine the relationship among the spectra of $f(U^+, V^-)$, $U^+$ and $V^-$ thus extending the well-known result of the case of a single variable. G. Lumer and M. Rosenblum [3] have paved the way for this result in their analysis covering the case $f(\xi_1, \xi_2) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} f_i(\xi_1) \delta_{i,}(\xi_2)$. We also study point spectra and eigenvectors, and apply our results to the Fréchet derivative.

It is shown in [3] that $\sigma(U^+) = \sigma(U)$ and $\sigma(V^-) = \sigma(V)$. The relations for point spectra are given in the following lemma. Let $\sigma_p(T)$ denote the point spectrum of the operator $T$. For any $x \in \mathcal{X}$ and $y^* \in \mathcal{X}^*$ we define the operator $x \otimes y^* \in \mathcal{A}$ by $(x \otimes y^*)z = y^*(z)x$.

**Lemma.** Suppose $U$, $V \in \mathcal{A}$ and that $u \in \mathcal{X}$ and $v^* \in \mathcal{X}^*$ are eigenvectors of $U$ and $V^*$ with corresponding eigenvalues $\mu$ and $\nu$, respectively. Then

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(a) \( U^+ V^-(u \otimes v^*) = \mu v(u \otimes v^*) \),
(b) \( \sigma_p(U^+) = \sigma_p(U) \),
(c) \( \sigma_p(V^-) = \sigma_p(V^*) \).

**Proof.** (a) follows from the fact that \( U(u \otimes v^*) V = (Uu) \otimes (V^*v^*) \).
Then (a) implies \( \sigma_p(U) \subseteq \sigma_p(U^+) \) and \( \sigma_p(V^*) \subseteq \sigma_p(V^-) \). Suppose that \( \xi \in \sigma_p(U^+) \) and \( \eta \in \sigma_p(V^-) \) with corresponding eigenvectors \( X \) and \( Y \), respectively. Then there exist \( a, b \in \mathbb{R} \) such that \( Xa \neq 0 \), \( Yb \neq 0 \). Choose \( y^* \in \mathbb{R}^* \) with \( y^* (Yb) = 1 \). By direct verification we see that \( U(Xa) \) and \( V^*(Y^*y^*) = \eta(Y^*y^*) \). Hence \( \xi \in \sigma_p(U) \) and \( \eta \in \sigma_p(V^*) \). This completes the proof.

If \( f(t) \) is a single-valued function that is analytic in a complex domain that contains \( \sigma(U) \), it is shown in [3] that
\begin{align*}
(2) & \quad (f(U))^+ = f(U^+), \\
(3) & \quad (f(U))^- = f(U^-).
\end{align*}

**Theorem.** If \( f(U^+, V^-) \) is defined by (1) then
\( \sigma(f(U^+, V^-)) = f(\sigma(U), \sigma(V)) \).

Furthermore, if \( u \) and \( v^* \) are eigenvectors of \( U \) and \( V^* \) with corresponding eigenvalues \( \mu \) and \( \nu \), respectively, then \( u \otimes v^* \) is an eigenvector of \( f(U^+, V^-) \) corresponding to the eigenvalue \( f(\mu, \nu) \).

**Proof.** Let \( \lambda \in \sigma(f(U^+, V^-)) \) and suppose \( \lambda \in f(\sigma(U), \sigma(V)) \). Then the function \( \lambda \in f(\xi_1, \xi_2) = (f(\xi_1, \xi_2) - \lambda)^{-1} \) is defined for \( (U^+, V^-) \). Also, \( \lambda(U^+, V^- - \lambda I^+) = I^+ \) which contradicts the assumption that \( \lambda \in \sigma(f(U^+, V^-)) \). The proof of (4) is completed in the manner of G. Lumer and M. Rosenberg [3, Theorems 9 and 10] on observing that for \( X \in \mathfrak{a} \)
\[
f(U^+, V^-)X = \left( \frac{1}{2\pi i} \right)^2 \int_{r_1} \int_{r_2} (\xi_1 I - U)^{-1}X(\xi_2 I - V)^{-1}f(\xi_1, \xi_2) d\xi_1 d\xi_2.
\]
The second part of the theorem may be verified directly with the aid of (2), (3) and the lemma.

Relation (4) is an extension of a result of Lumer and Rosenblum [3, Theorem 10]; M. Hausner [1] obtained (4) in the case of matrix algebras.

A function \( f \) with domain and range in \( \mathfrak{a} \) is analytic at \( X \in \mathfrak{a} \) if the Fréchet differential has the form
\[
df(X, H) = g(X^+, X^-)H
\]
where \( g \) has domain in \( \mathfrak{a} \times \mathfrak{a} \) and range in \( \mathfrak{a} \). As in [5] the derivative \( f^1(X) = df(X, \cdot) = g(X^+, X^-) \). Let \( f(t) \) be a single-valued function of
a complex variable that is analytic in a domain that contains $\sigma(X)$. Then $f(Z)$ is defined for $\|Z - X\|$ small and has a Fréchet derivative (see J. Schwartz [4])

$$f'(X) = f(X^+, X^-)$$

where the right side is defined by (1) with

$$f(\xi_1, \xi_2) = \frac{f(\xi_1) - f(\xi_2)}{\xi_1 - \xi_2} \quad \text{if } \xi_1 \neq \xi_2$$

$$= f'(\xi_1) \quad \text{if } \xi_1 = \xi_2.$$  

We then have the following corollary.

**Corollary.** The spectrum of the Fréchet derivative considered as an operator on the Banach space $\mathcal{A}$ is given by

$$\sigma(f'(X)) = f(\sigma(X), \sigma(X))$$

where $f(\xi_1, \xi_2)$ is defined by (5). If $x$ and $y^*$ are eigenvectors of $X$ and $X^*$ corresponding to eigenvalues $\xi$ and $\eta$, respectively, then $x \otimes y^*$ is an eigenvector of $f'(X)$ corresponding to the eigenvalue $f(\xi, \eta)$.


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