

On (m, n) -class Q and (m, n) -class Q^* operators

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Abstract For a positive real number m and an integer $n \geq 1$, an operator $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is (m, n) -class Q operator if $\|Tx\|^2 \leq \frac{m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}}{n+1} (\|T^{n+1}x\|^2 + n\|x\|^2)$ for every $x \in \mathcal{H}$ and (m, n) -class Q^* operator if $\|T^*x\|^2 \leq \frac{m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}}{n+1} (\|T^{n+1}x\|^2 + n\|x\|^2)$ for every $x \in \mathcal{H}$. In this paper we study some properties of (m, n) -class Q and (m, n) -class Q^* operators. Also we characterize (m, n) -class Q and (m, n) -class Q^* composition operators on L^2 space.

1 Introduction

Let \mathcal{H} be a complex separable Hilbert space and $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be the algebra of all bounded linear operators on \mathcal{H} . An operator $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is said to be *normal* if $T^*T = TT^*$, *hyponormal* if $TT^* \leq T^*T$, and *paranormal* if $\|Tx\|^2 \leq \|T^2x\|\|x\|$ for all $x \in \mathcal{H}$ [4]. Hyponormal operators are paranormal [4]. $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is said to be *Class Q* if $T^{*2}T^2 - 2T^*T + I \geq 0$ [2]. *Class Q* operators properly includes the paranormal operators [2]. An operator $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is said to be *Class Q^** if $T^{*2}T^2 - 2TT^* + I \geq 0$ [12]. For a positive real number m and an integer $n \geq 1$, $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is (m, n) -*paranormal* if $\|Tx\|^{n+1} \leq m\|T^{n+1}x\|\|x\|^n$ for all $x \in \mathcal{H}$ and (m, n) -**paranormal* if $\|T^*x\|^{n+1} \leq m\|T^{n+1}x\|\|x\|^n$ for all $x \in \mathcal{H}$ [3]. An operator $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is said to be a *normaloid* if $\|T\| = \sup \{|\lambda| : \lambda \in \sigma(T)\}$, where $\sigma(T)$ denotes the spectrum of T . It is well-known that every class Q operators are not necessarily normaloid.

Let (X, \mathcal{A}, μ) be a σ -finite measure space. A transformation T is said to be measurable if $T^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{A}$, for every $B \in \mathcal{A}$. If T is a nonsingular measurable transformation on (X, \mathcal{A}, μ) and the Randon- Nikodym derivative $\frac{d\mu T^{-1}}{d\mu}$ denoted by h is essentially bounded, then the composition operator C_T on $L^2(\mu)$ is defined by $C_T f = f \circ T, f \in L^2(\mu)$ [11]. Let $L^\infty(\mu)$ denote the space of all essentially bounded complex valued measurable functions on X . For $\pi \in L^\infty(\mu)$, the multiplication operator M_π on $L^2(\mu)$ is given by $M_\pi f = \pi f, f \in L^2(\mu)$. The weighted composition operator W on $L^2(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$ induced by T and a complex valued measurable function π is given by

$$W = \pi(f \circ T),$$

for $f \in L^2(\mu)$. Let π_k denote $\pi(\pi \circ T)(\pi \circ T^2) \cdots (\pi \circ T^{k-1})$. Then, $W^k(f) = \pi_k(f \circ T)^k$ [9]. More details on general properties of (measure based) composition operators can be found in [8, 11]. The conditional expectation operator $E(\cdot|_{T^{-1}(\mathcal{A})}) = E(f)$ is defined for each non-negative function $f \in L^p(\mu), 1 \leq p < \infty$ and is uniquely determined by the conditions

- (i) $E(f)$ is $T^{-1}(\mathcal{A})$ measurable
- (ii) If B is any $T^{-1}(\mathcal{A})$ measurable set for which $\int_B f d\mu$ converges then $\int_B f d\mu = \int_B E(f) d\mu$.

We refer the reader to [1, 6, 7, 10] for more details on the properties of conditional expectation.

In this paper we initiate the study of (m, n) -class Q and (m, n) -class Q^* operators. The classes (m, n) -class Q and (m, n) -class Q^* are extension of class Q and class Q^* operators, respectively. We study some properties and give examples of these classes of operators. Moreover, (m, n) -class Q and (m, n) -class Q^* composition operators on L^2 -space are characterized.

2 (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} and (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* operators

Throughout this paper, let m be a positive real number and $n \geq 1$ be an integer. In this section we give some basic properties of (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} and (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* operators.

An operator $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is (m, n) -paranormal if and only if

$$m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} T^{*n+1} T^{n+1} - (n + 1) a^n T^* T + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} n a^{n+1} I \geq 0,$$

for each $a > 0$ [3].

For $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, we define

$$\mathcal{Q}_{(m,n)} = m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} T^{*n+1} T^{n+1} - (n + 1) T^* T + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} n I.$$

Definition 2.1. An operator $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is said to be (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} if $\mathcal{Q}_{(m,n)} \geq 0$. That is, T is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} if

$$\|Tx\|^2 \leq \frac{m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}}{n + 1} (\|T^{n+1}x\|^2 + n\|x\|^2),$$

for every $x \in \mathcal{H}$.

If $m = n = 1$, then (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} and class \mathcal{Q} coincides.

Example 2.2. Let $T : l^2(\mathbb{N}) \rightarrow l^2(\mathbb{N})$ be defined by

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (0, x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots).$$

Then, $T^*(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (x_2, x_3, x_4, \dots)$.

Also,

$$T^*T(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots)$$

and

$$T^{*n+1}T^{n+1}(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots).$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Q}_{(m,n)} &= m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} T^{*n+1} T^{n+1} - (n + 1) T^* T + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} n I \\ &= (m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} - 1)(1 + n)I \geq 0, \text{ for all } m \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

If $m \geq 1$, then T is (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} .

Theorem 2.3. Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. T is (m, n) -paranormal if and only if λT is (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator, for each $\lambda > 0$.

Proof. By definition, λT (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}

$$\begin{aligned} &\Leftrightarrow m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} |\lambda|^{2(n+1)} T^{*n+1} T^{n+1} - (n + 1) |\lambda|^2 T^* T + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} n I \geq 0, \forall \lambda > 0. \\ &\Leftrightarrow m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} T^{*n+1} T^{n+1} - (n + 1) \left(\frac{1}{\lambda^2}\right)^n T^* T + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} n \left(\frac{1}{\lambda^2}\right)^{n+1} I \geq 0, \forall \lambda > 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} T^{*n+1} T^{n+1} - (n + 1) a^n T^* T + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} n a^{n+1} I \geq 0, a > 0. \\ &\Leftrightarrow T \text{ is } (m, n)\text{-paranormal.} \end{aligned}$$

□

Now we prove that the part of (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} is again (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} .

Theorem 2.4. Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator and \mathcal{M} be a closed subspace of \mathcal{H} which is invariant under T . Then $T|_{\mathcal{M}}$ is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator.

Proof. Let $x \in \mathcal{M}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|T|_{\mathcal{M}}x\|^2 &= \|Tx\|^2 \\ &\leq \frac{m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}}{n+1} (\|T^{n+1}x\|^2 + n\|x\|^2) \\ &= \frac{m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}}{n+1} (\|(T|_{\mathcal{M}})^{n+1}x\|^2 + n\|x\|^2). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $T|_{\mathcal{M}}$ is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator. □

Theorem 2.5. Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ and $c = \frac{n+1}{m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}n}$. If $\sqrt{c}T$ is a contraction, then T is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator.

Proof. Since $\sqrt{c}T$ is a contraction, we have $-cT^*T + I \geq 0$. Hence

$$\frac{1}{n}T^{*n+1}T^{n+1} - cT^*T + I \geq 0.$$

Thus, T is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator. □

Theorem 2.6. Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be a weighted shift operator with non zero weights $\{\alpha_k\}, k = 1, 2, \dots$. Then T is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator if and only if

$$\frac{n+1}{m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}} (|\alpha_k|^2) \leq |\alpha_k|^2 |\alpha_{k+1}|^2 \dots |\alpha_{k+n}|^2 + n, \forall k \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Proof. Let $\{e_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$ be an orthonormal basis of \mathcal{H} . Since $Te_k = \alpha_k e_{k+1}$, we have $T^{n+1}e_k = \alpha_k \alpha_{k+1} \dots \alpha_{k+n} e_{k+n+1}$.

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} T \text{ is } (m, n)\text{-class } \mathcal{Q} &\Leftrightarrow \|Tx\|^2 \leq \frac{m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}}{n+1} (\|T^{n+1}x\|^2 + n\|x\|^2), \forall x \in \mathcal{H}. \\ &\Leftrightarrow \|Te_k\|^2 \leq \frac{m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}}{n+1} (\|T^{n+1}e_k\|^2 + n\|e_k\|^2), \forall k \in \mathbb{N}. \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{n+1}{m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}} |\alpha_k|^2 \leq |\alpha_k|^2 |\alpha_{k+1}|^2 \dots |\alpha_{k+n}|^2 + n, \forall k \in \mathbb{N}. \end{aligned}$$

□

Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be a weighted shift operator with non zero weights $\{\alpha_k\}, k = 1, 2, \dots$. It is evident that T is (m, n) -paranormal if and only if

$$|\alpha_k|^{n+1} \leq m |\alpha_k| |\alpha_{k+1}| \dots |\alpha_{k+n}|, \forall k \in \mathbb{N} \tag{2.1}$$

From Theorem 2.3, every (m, n) -paranormal operator is (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator. The following example show that the reverse inclusion may not hold.

Example 2.7. Let $T : l^2(\mathbb{N}) \rightarrow l^2(\mathbb{N})$ be defined by

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (0, \frac{1}{2}x_1, \frac{1}{4}x_2, \frac{1}{4}x_3, \dots).$$

By Theorem 2.6, T is a $(\frac{1}{3}, 3)$ -class \mathcal{Q} operator. If $k = 4$, then equation (2.1) does not holds. Hence, T is not $(\frac{1}{3}, 3)$ -paranormal operator.

It is well known that every paranormal operators are normaloid and the set of all (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operators includes paranormal operators. But every (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operators need not be a normaloid. For example, let $T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \lambda & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. If $|\lambda|^2 \leq \frac{m}{2}$, then T is $(m, 1)$ -class \mathcal{Q} but not normaloid.

Theorem 2.8. Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator and an isometric operator $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be such that $AT = TA$. Then TA is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator.

Proof. Let

$$S_{m,n} = m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}(TA)^{*n+1}(TA)^{n+1} - (n+1)(TA)^*(TA) + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} n I$$

Since $AT = TA$ and $A^*A = I$, we have

$$S_{m,n} = m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}T^{*n+1}T^{n+1} - (n+1)T^*T + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} n I.$$

Since T is (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} , we have $S_{m,n} \geq 0$. That is, TA is (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} . □

Theorem 2.9. Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator and T is unitarily equivalent to a operator B . Then B is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator.

Proof. Since T is unitarily equivalent to B , there exist a unitary operator U such that $B = U^*TU$. Now, $m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}B^{*n+1}B^{n+1} - (n+1)B^*B + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} n I$

$$\begin{aligned} &= m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}U^*(T^*)^{n+1}(T)^{n+1}U - (n+1)U^*T^*TU + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} n I \\ &= U^* \left(m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}T^{*n+1}T^{n+1} - (n+1)T^*T + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} n I \right) U \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

That is, B is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator. □

An operator $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is $(m, n)^*$ - paranomalous if and only if

$$m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}T^{*n+1}T^{n+1} - (n+1)a^nTT^* + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} n a^{n+1} I \geq 0,$$

for each $a > 0$ [3].

For $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, we define

$$\mathcal{Q}_{(m,n)^*} = m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}T^{*n+1}T^{n+1} - (n+1)TT^* + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} n I.$$

Definition 2.10. An operator $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is said to be (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* if $\mathcal{Q}_{(m,n)^*} > 0$. Equivalently, T is (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* if

$$\|T^*x\|^2 \leq \frac{m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}}{n+1} (\|T^{n+1}x\|^2 + n\|x\|^2),$$

for every $x \in \mathcal{H}$.

Theorem 2.11. Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be a weighted shift operator with non zero weights $\{\alpha_k\}$, $k = 1, 2, \dots$. T is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* operator if and only if

$$\frac{n+1}{m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}} (|\alpha_k|^2) \leq |\alpha_{k+1}|^2 |\alpha_{k+2}|^2 \dots |\alpha_{k+n+1}|^2 + n, \forall k \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Proof. Let $\{e_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$ be an orthonormal basis of \mathcal{H} . Since $Te_k = \alpha_k e_{k+1}$, we have $T^{n+1}e_k = \alpha_k \alpha_{k+1} \dots \alpha_{k+n} e_{k+n+1}$ and $T^*e_k = \overline{\alpha_{k-1}} e_{k-1}$. Now, T is (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^*

$$\begin{aligned} &\Leftrightarrow \|T^*x\|^2 \leq \frac{m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}}{n+1} (\|T^{n+1}x\|^2 + n\|x\|^2), \forall x \in \mathcal{H}. \\ &\Leftrightarrow \|T^*e_k\|^2 \leq \frac{m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}}{n+1} (\|T^{n+1}e_k\|^2 + n\|e_k\|^2), \forall k \in \mathbb{N}. \\ &\Leftrightarrow \frac{n+1}{m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}} |\alpha_k|^2 \leq |\alpha_{k+1}|^2 |\alpha_{k+2}|^2 \dots |\alpha_{k+n+1}|^2 + n, \forall k \in \mathbb{N}. \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 2.12. Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ and let $c = \frac{n+1}{m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}n}$. If $\sqrt{c} T^*$ is a contraction, then T is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* operator.

Proof. Since $\sqrt{c} T^*$ is a contraction, we have $-c TT^* + I \geq 0$. Hence

$$\frac{1}{n} T^{*n+1} T^{n+1} - c TT^* + I \geq 0.$$

That is, T is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* operator. □

Theorem 2.13. Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. T is $(m, n)^*$ -paranormal if and only if λT is (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* , for each $\lambda > 0$.

Proof. The result follows by a similar argument as in the proof of Theorem 2.3. □

By a similar argument as in the case of (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} , the following results hold:

- (i) If $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* operator, then the restriction $T|_{\mathcal{M}}$ is (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* , where \mathcal{M} is a closed subspace of \mathcal{H} which is invariant under T .
- (ii) If $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* operator and $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is an isometric operator such that $AT = TA$, then TA is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* operator.
- (iii) If $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* operator and T is unitarily equivalent to an operator B , then B is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* operator.

3 (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} and (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* composition operators

In this section we characterize (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} and (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* composition operators on L^2 space. Throughout this section, T is a nonsingular measurable transformation on a σ -finite measure space (X, \mathcal{A}, μ) .

Proposition 3.1. [1, 5]

Let C_T be the composition operator on $L^2(\mu)$ and P be the projection from $L^2(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$ onto $\overline{R(C_T)}$. Then for every $f \in L^2(\mu)$, the following holds

- (i) $C_T^* f = h \cdot E(f) \circ T^{-1}$.
- (ii) $C_T C_T^* f = (h \circ T) P f$, $C_T^* C_T = h f$.
- (iii) $(C_T C_T^*)^k f = (h \circ T)^k P f$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$.
- (iv) $(C_T^* C_T)^k f = h^k f$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Let h_k denotes the Radon-Nikodym derivative of the measure $\mu(T^k)^{-1}$ with respect to μ .

Theorem 3.2. C_T is (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} if and only if $m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}(h_{n+1} + n) \geq (n+1)h$.

Proof. By definition, C_T is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator if and only if

$$m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} C_T^{*n+1} C_T^{n+1} - (n+1) C_T^* C_T + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} n I \geq 0.$$

By Proposition 3.1, $(n+1) C_T^* C_T f = (n+1) h f$ and

$$\begin{aligned} m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} C_T^{*n+1} C_T^{n+1} f &= m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} C_T^{*n+1} (f \circ T^{n+1}) \\ &= m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} h_{n+1} E(f \circ T^{n+1}) \circ T^{-(n+1)} \\ &= m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} h_{n+1} E(1) f \\ &= m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} h_{n+1} f. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, C_T is of (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator if and only if $m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} h_{n+1} - (n+1)h + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}} n I \geq 0$. That is, C_T is of (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator if and only if $m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}(h_{n+1} + n) \geq (n+1)h$. □

Theorem 3.3. C_T^* is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator if and only if $m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}(h_{n+1} \circ T^{n+1} + n) \geq (n + 1)h \circ T$.

Proof. By definition, C_T^* is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator if and only if

$$m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}C_T^{n+1}C_T^{*n+1} - (n + 1)C_T C_T^* + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}nI \geq 0.$$

By Proposition 3.1, $(n + 1)C_T C_T^* f = (n + 1)(h \circ T)P f = (n + 1)(h \circ T)f$ and

$$\begin{aligned} m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}C_T^{n+1}C_T^{*n+1}f &= m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}C_T^{n+1}(h_{n+1}.E(f) \circ T^{-(n+1)}) \\ &= m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}(h_{n+1}.E(f) \circ T^{-(n+1)}) \circ T^{n+1} \\ &= m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}h_{n+1} \circ T^{n+1}E(f) \\ &= m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}h_{n+1} \circ T^{n+1}f. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

C_T^* is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator if and only if $m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}h_{n+1} \circ T^{n+1} - (n + 1)(h \circ T) + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}nI \geq 0$.

That is, C_T^* is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator if and only if $m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}(h_{n+1} \circ T^{n+1} + n) \geq (n + 1)h \circ T$. \square

Example 3.4. Let $X = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, $\mathcal{A} = P(X)$ and μ be the measure defined by

$$\mu(A) = \sum_{k \in A} m_k,$$

where

$$m_k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k = 0 \\ \frac{1}{4^{k-1}} & \text{if } k \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ defined by

$$T(k) = \begin{cases} 0, & k = 0, 1 \\ k - 1, & k \geq 2. \end{cases}$$

For $q > 1$, we have

$$T^q(k) = \begin{cases} 0, & k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, q \\ k - q, & k \geq q + 1. \end{cases}$$

Therefore, $h(k) = \frac{\mu T^{-1}(\{k\})}{\mu\{k\}} = \begin{cases} 2, & k = 0 \\ \frac{1}{4}, & k \geq 1. \end{cases}$

For $q > 1$,

$$h_q(k) = \begin{cases} 2 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{4^{q-1}} & k = 0. \\ \frac{1}{4^q}, & k \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

If $m \geq 2$ and $n = 1$, then $m(h_2 + 1) \geq 2h$. Hence C_T is (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator.

Now we characterize for (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} weighted composition operators.

Proposition 3.5. [1]

If W is a weighted composition operator, then the following holds for every $f \in L^2(\mu)$ and $\pi > 0$.

(i) $W^*W(f) = hE(\pi^2) \circ T^{-1}(f)$.

(ii) $WW^*(f) = \pi(h \circ T)E(\pi f)$.

Theorem 3.6. W is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator if and only if

$$m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}((h_{n+1} E_{n+1}(\pi_{n+1}^2) \circ T^{-(n+1)} + n) \geq (n + 1)hE(\pi^2) \circ T^{-1}.$$

Proof. W is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator if and only if

$$m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}W^{*n+1}W^{n+1} - (n + 1)W^*W + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}nI \geq 0.$$

By Proposition 3.5, $(n + 1)W^*Wf = (n + 1)hE(\pi^2) \circ T^{-1}f$.

Since $W^{*k}W^k(f) = h_kE_k(\pi_k^2) \circ T^{-k}(f)$, we have

$$m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}W^{*n+1}W^{n+1}f = m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}h_{n+1}E_{n+1}(\pi_{n+1}^2) \circ T^{-(n+1)}f$$

Hence, W is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator if and only if

$$m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}h_{n+1}E_{n+1}(\pi_{n+1}^2) \circ T^{-(n+1)} - (n + 1)hE(\pi^2) \circ T^{-1} + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}nI \geq 0.$$

That is, W is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q} operator if and only if

$$m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}((h_{n+1}E_{n+1}(\pi_{n+1}^2) \circ T^{-(n+1)} + n) \geq (n + 1)hE(\pi^2) \circ T^{-1}.$$

□

The following results hold by similar arguments:

- (i) C_T is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* operator if and only if $m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}(h_{n+1} + n) \geq (n + 1)h \circ T$.
- (ii) C_T^* is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* operator if and only if $m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}(h_{n+1} \circ T^{n+1} + n) \geq (n + 1)h$.

Example 3.7. In example 3.4, if we choose $m \geq 4$ and $n = 1$ then C_T is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* operator.

Theorem 3.8. W is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* operator if and only if

$$\langle m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}(h_{n+1}E_{n+1}(\pi_{n+1}^2) \circ T^{-(n+1)} + n)f - (n + 1)\pi(h \circ T)E(\pi f), f \rangle \geq 0.$$

Proof. W is a (m, n) -class \mathcal{Q}^* operator if and only if

$$m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}W^{*n+1}W^{n+1} - (n + 1)WW^* + m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}nI \geq 0.$$

By Proposition 3.5, $WW^*(f) = \pi(h \circ T)E(\pi f)$. Since $W^{*k}W^k(f) = h_kE_k(\pi_k^2) \circ T^{-k}(f)$, it follows that $\langle m^{\frac{2}{n+1}}(h_{n+1}E_{n+1}(\pi_{n+1}^2) \circ T^{-(n+1)} + n)f - (n + 1)\pi(h \circ T)E(\pi f), f \rangle \geq 0$. □

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