# Some properties of paranormal and hyponormal operators \*

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#### Abstract

In this article we will give some properties of paranormal and hyponormal operators. Exactly we will give some conditions which are generalization of concepts of paranormal, hyponormal, N-paranormal, N-hyponormal operators.

## 1 Introduction

Let us denote by H the complex Hilbert space and with B(H) the space of all bounded linear operators defined in Hilbert space H. In the following we will mention some known classes of operators defined in Hilbert space H. Let T be an operator in B(H). The operator T is called normal if it satisfies the following condition:  $T^*T = TT^*$ . The operator T is called quasi-normal if:  $T(T^*T) = (T^*T)T$ , it is hyponormal if:  $T^*T \ge TT^*$ , which is equivalent to the condition:  $||T^*(x)|| \leq ||T(x)||$ , for all x in H. We say that an operator T is quasi-hyponormal if the following condition:  $T^{*2}T^2 > (T^*T)^2$  holds, and the last one is equivalent with:  $||T^*T(x)|| < ||T^2(x)||$ , for all x in H. In paper [1], some properties of \*-paranormal operators are given. One of that is necessary and sufficient condition under which the operator T is \*-paranormal. For an operator T we say that it belongs to the class of \*-paranormal operators if :  $||T^*(x)||^2 \leq ||T^2(x)||$ , for every unit vector x in H. This condition is equivalent to the following one: An operator T belongs to the class of \*-paranormal operators if and only if:  $T^{*2}T^2 - 2\lambda TT^* + \lambda^2 \geq 0$ , for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . In paper [2] is defined the class of  $M^*$ -paranormal operators. T is  $M^*$ -paranormal, if  $||T^*(x)||^2 \leq M||T^2(x)||$  for every unit vector x in H. Also in [2] is given the necessary and sufficient condition under which an operator T is from the class of  $M^*$ -paranormal operators and that condition is  $M^2T^{*2}T^2 - 2\lambda TT^* + \lambda^2 \ge 0$ , for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . In this paper we will study some properties of some new classes which are generalization of paranormal, hyponormal, quasi-hyponormal, N- hyponormal, N- paranormal and N-\*paranormal operators . We say that an operator T

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is of  $(M,k)_N$  class if  $NT^{*k}T^k \ge (T^*T)^k$  for  $k \ge 2$  and a fixed constant N > 0and we say that T is of  $(M,k)_N^*$  class if  $NT^{*k}T^k \ge (TT^*)^k$  for  $k \ge 1$  and a fixed constant N > 0.

For an operator  $T \in B(H)$  we will say that is N- quasi-hyponormal, if  $||T^*T(x)|| \leq N||T^2(x)||$ , T is N- hyponormal, if  $||T^*(x)|| \leq N||T(x)||$ . T is N-paranormal, if  $N||T^2(x)|| \geq ||T(x)||^2$  and T is N-\*paranormal, if  $N||T^2(x)|| \geq ||T^*(x)||^2$  for all unit vectors x in H. All notations which are not mentioned here are same like in [5].

## 2 Shift Operators

Let T be unilateral shift operator then it is easy to proof the following results.

**Lemma 2.1** If T is unilateral shift operator, then it is quasi-normal operator.

Lemma 2.2 If T is bilateral shift operator, then it is quasi-normal operator.

The above facts also are valid for unilateral weighted and bilateral weighted shift.

**Lemma 2.3** If T is unilateral weighted shift, with weighted sequence  $(\alpha_n), \alpha_n \neq 0, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then it is quasi-normal if and only if  $|\alpha_n| = |\alpha_{n+1}|$ .

**Lemma 2.4** If T is bilateral weighted shift, with weighted sequence  $(\alpha_n)$ ,  $\alpha_n \neq 0, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then it is quasi-normal if and only if  $|\alpha_n| = |\alpha_{n+1}|$ .

In the sequel we give one example, where it is shown that there exists operators from the class of \*paranormal operators which are not hyponormal operators. Firstly, we give the following lemma the proof of which is trivial and we omit it.

**Lemma 2.5** Let T be a bilateral weighted shift with weighted sequence  $(\alpha_n)$ . T is \*paranormal if and only if  $|\alpha_{n-1}|^2 \leq |\alpha_n| |\alpha_{n+1}|$ .

**Example 2.6** Let  $T \in B(H)$  be a bilateral weighted shift with weighted sequence  $(\alpha_n)$  given as follows:

 $\alpha_n = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & \text{for } n \leq -1\\ 1 & \text{for } n = 0\\ \frac{1}{2} & \text{for } n = 1\\ 2 & \text{for } n = 2\\ \frac{1}{4} & \text{for } n = 3\\ 64 & \text{for } n > 4 \end{cases}$ 

After some calculations it follows that T is \* paranormal operator and it is not hyponormal operator.

## **3** Paranormal and Hyponormal Operators

In this section we will show some properties of paranormal and hyponormal operators.

**Proposition 3.1** Let  $T \in B(H)$ , then T is hyponormal operator if and only if  $T^*T + 2\lambda TT^* + \lambda^2 T^*T \ge 0$ , for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x \in H$  be given. T is hyponormal operator if and only if

$$\begin{split} ||T^*(x)|| &\leq ||T(x)|| \Leftrightarrow 4||T^*(x)||^4 - 4||T(x)||^2 \cdot ||T(x)||^2 \leq 0 \Leftrightarrow \\ &||T(x)||^2 + 2\lambda ||T^*(x)||^2 + \lambda^2 ||T(x)||^2 \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow \\ &(T(x), T(x)) + 2\lambda (T^*(x), T^*(x)) + \lambda^2 (T(x), T(x)) \geq 0 \\ &(T^*T(x), x) + 2\lambda (TT^*(x), x) + \lambda^2 (T^*T(x), x) \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow \\ &((T^*T + 2\lambda TT^* + \lambda^2 T^*T)(x), x) \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow T^*T + 2\lambda TT^* + \lambda^2 T^*T \geq 0 \end{split}$$

In the next proposition we show some generalized conditions under which an operator is quasi-\*paranormal.

#### **Proposition 3.2** Let $T \in B(H)$ . Then:

$$||T^*T(x)||^2 \le ||T^n(x)|| \cdot ||T(x)|| \Leftrightarrow T^{*n}T^n + 2\lambda(T^*T)^2 + \lambda^2 T^*T \ge 0,$$

 $n \in \mathbb{N}, \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } x \in H.$ 

**Proof.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x \in H$ . Then:

 $T^{*n}T^{n} + 2\lambda(T^{*}T)^{2} + \lambda^{2}T^{*}T \ge 0 \Leftrightarrow (T^{*n}T^{n} + 2\lambda(T^{*}T)^{2} + \lambda^{2}T^{*}T)(x), x) \ge 0 \Leftrightarrow ((T^{*n}T^{n})(x), x) + 2\lambda((T^{*}T)^{2}(x), x) + \lambda^{2}((T^{*}T)(x), x) \ge 0 \Leftrightarrow (T^{n}(x), T^{n}(x)) + 2\lambda((T^{*}T)(x), (T^{*}T)(x)) + \lambda^{2}(T(x), T(x)) \ge 0 \Leftrightarrow ||T(x)||^{2}\lambda^{2} + 2\lambda||T^{*}T(x)||^{2} + ||T^{n}(x)||^{2} \ge 0 \Leftrightarrow 4||T^{*}T(x)||^{4} \le 4||T^{n}(x)||^{2}||T(x)||^{2}$ 

$$\Leftrightarrow ||T^*T(x)||^2 \le ||T^n(x)||||T(x)||.$$

**Corollary 3.3** If n = 3, we get the following relation  $||T^*T(x)||^2 \leq ||T^3(x)|| \cdot ||T(x)|| \Leftrightarrow T^{*3}T^3 + 2\lambda(T^*T)^2 + \lambda^2T^*T \geq 0$ , which is the definition of the quasi \*-paranormal operator.

**Proposition 3.4** If T is unilateral weighted shift operator with weighted sequence  $(\alpha_n)$ , then it is quasi-hyponormal if and only if  $|\alpha_n| \leq |\alpha_{n+1}|, \alpha_n \neq 0, n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Proof.** Let us denote by  $(e_n)$  the orthonormal basis in H. Then we get the following:

$$||T^*T(e_n)|| = ||T^*(\alpha_n e_{n+1})|| = ||\alpha_n T^*(e_{n+1})|| = ||\alpha_n \overline{\alpha_n} e_n|| = |\alpha_n|^2.$$
(1)

On the other hand we have:

$$||T^{2}(e_{n})|| = ||T(\alpha_{n}e_{n+1})|| = |\alpha_{n}| \cdot |\alpha_{n+1}|.$$
(2)

Now, since T is quasi-hyponormal we have

$$T^{*2}T^{2} \ge (T^{*}T)^{2} \Leftrightarrow ||T^{*}T(x)|| \le ||T^{2}(x)||,$$
(3)

for every  $x \in H$ . Now the proof of the proposition follows from relations (1), (2) and (3).

**Proposition 3.5** Let T be an operator in B(H). The following relation

$$T^{*k}T^k \ge (T^*T)^k \Leftrightarrow \left\| (T^*T)^{\frac{k}{2}}(x) \right\| \le ||T^k(x)||,$$

holds for every  $x \in H$  and  $k \geq 2$ .

Proof.

$$\begin{split} T^{*k}T^k &\ge (T^*T)^k \Leftrightarrow T^{*k}T^k - (T^*T)^k \ge 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow ((T^{*k}T^k - (T^*T)^k)(x), x) \ge 0, \text{ for all } x \in H \\ \Leftrightarrow (T^{*k}T^k(x), x) - ((T^*T)^k(x), x) \ge 0, \text{ for all } x \in H \\ \Leftrightarrow (T^k(x), T^k(x)) - ((T^*T)^{\frac{k}{2}}(x), (T^*T)^{\frac{k}{2}}(x)) \ge 0, \text{ for all } x \in H \\ \Leftrightarrow \left\| (T^*T)^{\frac{k}{2}}(x) \right\| \le ||T^k(x)||, \text{ for all } x \in H. \end{split}$$

**Corollary 3.6** By Proposition 3.5, for k = 2 we have that T is quasi-hyponormal operator.

**Remark 3.7** In [4] was defined the class of (M, k)- operators, by the relation  $T^{*k}T^k \geq (T^*T)^k$ , for  $k \geq 2$ . From Proposition 3.5, it follows that the operator T belongs to the class (M, k) if and only if

$$\left\| (T^*T)^{\frac{k}{2}}(x) \right\| \le ||T^k(x)||,$$

holds for every  $x \in H$  and  $k \geq 2$ .

In the following proposition we will give generalized necessary and sufficient conditions under which an operator  $T \in B(H)$  is hyponormal.

**Proposition 3.8** Let T be operator from B(H). The following relation

$$T^{*k}T^k \ge (TT^*)^k \Leftrightarrow \left\| (TT^*)^{\frac{k}{2}}(x) \right\| \le ||T^k(x)||,$$

holds for every  $x \in H$  and  $k \geq 1$ .

Proof.

$$T^{*k}T^{k} \ge (TT^{*})^{k} \Leftrightarrow T^{*k}T^{k} - (TT^{*})^{k} \ge 0$$
  
$$\Leftrightarrow ((T^{*k}T^{k} - (TT^{*})^{k})(x), x) \ge 0, \text{ for all } x \in H$$
  
$$\Leftrightarrow (T^{*k}T^{k}(x), x) - ((TT^{*})^{k}(x), x) \ge 0, \text{ for all } x \in H$$
  
$$\Leftrightarrow (T^{k}(x), T^{k}(x)) - ((TT^{*})^{\frac{k}{2}}(x), (TT^{*})^{\frac{k}{2}}(x)) \ge 0, \text{ for all } x \in H$$
  
$$\Leftrightarrow \left\| (TT^{*})^{\frac{k}{2}}(x) \right\| \le ||T^{k}(x)||, \text{ for all } x \in H.$$

**Remark 3.9** An operator  $T \in B(H)$  belongs to class  $(M, k)^*$  (see [4]) if and only if  $T^{*k}T^k \ge (TT^*)^k$ . From Proposition 3.8 it follows that an operator  $T \in B(H)$  belongs to class  $(M, k)^*$  if and only if  $\left\| (TT^*)^{\frac{k}{2}}(x) \right\| \le ||T^k(x)||$ , holds for every  $x \in H$  and  $k \ge 1$ .

From Proposition 3.8 it follows that:

**Corollary 3.10** Let  $T \in B(H)$  and k = 1, then it follows that T is a hyponormal operator.

In the next proposition we give some necessary and sufficient condition under which an operator is a quasi-hyponormal.

**Proposition 3.11** Let T be operator from B(H). Then the following relation

$$||(T^*T)^n(x)|| \le ||T^{2n}(x)|| \Leftrightarrow T^{*2n}T^{2n} + 2\lambda(T^*T)^{2n} + \lambda^2 T^{*2n}T^{2n} \ge 0,$$

holds, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x \in H$ .

**Proof.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x \in H$ . Then we get:

$$\begin{split} ||(T^*T)^n(x)|| &\leq ||T^{2n}(x)|| \Leftrightarrow 4||(T^*T)^n(x)||^4 \leq 4||T^{2n}(x)||^2 \cdot ||T^{2n}(x)||^2 \Leftrightarrow \\ ||T^{2n}(x)||^2 + 2\lambda ||(T^*T)^n(x)||^2 + \lambda^2 ||T^{2n}(x)||^2 \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow \\ (T^{2n}(x), T^{2n}(x)) + 2\lambda ((T^*T)^n(x), (T^*T)^n(x)) + \lambda^2 (T^{2n}(x), T^{2n}(x)) \geq 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow T^{*2n}T^{2n} + 2\lambda (T^*T)^{2n} + \lambda^2 T^{*2n}T^{2n} \geq 0. \end{split}$$

**Corollary 3.12** Let  $T \in B(H)$ . The following relation

$$T^{*2n}T^{2n} \ge (T^*T)^{2n} \Leftrightarrow T^{*2n}T^{2n} + 2\lambda(T^*T)^{2n} + \lambda^2 T^{*2n}T^{2n} \ge 0,$$

holds for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x \in H$ .

**Remark 3.13** If we take n = 1 in the above corollary we have that T is a quasi-hyponormal operator.

**Proposition 3.14** Let  $T \in (M, 2)$ , then T is a paranormal operator.

**Proof.** Let  $T \in (M, 2)$ , then we get

$$T^{*2}T^2 \ge (T^*T)^2 \Rightarrow (T^{*2}T^2 - (T^*T)^2(x), x) \ge 0,$$

for all  $x \in H$ .

$$\Rightarrow (T^{*2}T^{2}(x), x) - ((T^{*}T)^{2}(x), x) \ge 0 \Rightarrow (T^{2}(x), T^{2}(x)) - ((T^{*}T)(x), (T^{*}T)(x)) \ge 0$$
$$\Rightarrow ||(T^{*}T)(x)|| \le ||T^{2}(x)||, \text{ for all } x \in H.$$
(4)

On the other hand:

$$||T(x)||^{2} = |(Tx, Tx)| = |(T^{*}Tx, x)| \le ||T^{*}Tx|| \cdot ||x||.$$
(5)

Now from relations (4) and (5) follows that T is a paranormal operator.

Corollary 3.15 Every quasi-hyponormal operator is a paranormal operator.

The following lemma will be very useful to demonstrate the necessary and sufficient conditions under which an operator  $T \in B(H)$  is a quasi-hyponormal.

**Lemma 3.16** Let  $A, B, T \in B(H)$ , such that  $\overline{R(T)} = H$ . Then the following relation

$$A \ge B \Leftrightarrow T^*AT \ge T^*BT$$
,

holds.

**Proof.** Let  $A \ge B$ . Then we get the following relation:

$$(T^*AT(x), x) = (AT(x), T(x)).$$

For  $y = T(x) \in H$ , it follows that:

$$(A(y), y) \ge (B(y), y) = (BT(x), T(x)) = (T^*BT(x), x).$$

On the other hand let  $T^*AT \ge T^*BT$ . Because T has a dense range in H, we get the following relation:

$$(T^*AT(x), x) \ge (T^*BT(x), x) \Rightarrow (AT(x), T(x)) \ge (BT(x), T(x)),$$

for y = T(x),

$$\Rightarrow (A(y), y) \ge (B(y), y) \Rightarrow A \ge B.$$

**Remark 3.17** Above Lemma is an especial case of the known result given in [6] (see Lemma 8).

**Proposition 3.18** Let  $T \in B(H)$ , be a quasi-normal operator in H. Then it is quasi-hyponormal if and only if  $T \in (M, k)$ , for  $k \ge 2$ .

**Proof.** Let  $T \in (M, k)$ , for  $k \ge 2$ , it means that  $T \in (M, 2)$ . One side of proposition follows directly from definition of classes (M, k). Let us prove the other side of the proposition. Consider that operator T is quasi-hyponormal. We will construct our proof following mathematical induction. For k = 2, it follows from definition of quasi-hyponormal operators. Let us consider that our claim is valid for k = n and we will prove it for k = n + 1. We have:

$$T^{*n+1}T^{n+1} = T^{*}(T^{*n}T^{n})T \ge T^{*}(T^{*}T)^{n}T = T^{*}\left[\underbrace{(T^{*}T) \cdot (T^{*}T) \cdots (T^{*}T)}_{n-\text{times}}\right]T$$
$$= T^{*}T\left[\underbrace{(T^{*}T) \cdot (T^{*}T) \cdots (T^{*}T)}_{n-\text{times}}\right] = (T^{*}T)^{n+1},$$

by which we have proved the proposition.

#### 4 N-paranormal and N-hyponormal operators

In this section we will introduce some other classes of operators which are related to the previous classes.

We say that an operator T is of  $(M,k)_N$  class if  $NT^{*k}T^k \ge (T^*T)^k$  for  $k \ge 2$  and a fixed constant N > 0 and we say that T is of  $(M,k)_N^*$  class if  $NT^{*k}T^k \ge (TT^*)^k$  for  $k \ge 1$  and a fixed constant N > 0. For an operator  $T \in B(H)$  we will say that is N- quasi-hyponormal, if  $N||T^2(x)|| \ge ||T^*T(x)||, T$  is N- hyponormal, if  $||T^*(x)|| \le N||T(x)||$ . T is N- paranormal, if  $N||T^2(x)|| \ge ||T^*(x)|| \ge ||T(x)|| > ||T(x)|| >$ 

**Proposition 4.1** An operator  $T \in B(H)$  belongs to the class  $(M, k)_N$  if and only if

$$\left\| (T^*T)^{\frac{k}{2}}(x) \right\| \le \sqrt{N} ||T^k(x)||$$

holds for every  $x \in H$  and  $k \geq 2$ .

**Proof.** The proof of the Proposition is similar to that of Proposition 3.5.

**Proposition 4.2** An operator  $T \in B(H)$  belongs to the class  $(M,k)_N^*$  if and only if

$$\left\| (TT^*)^{\frac{k}{2}}(x) \right\| \le \sqrt{N} ||T^k(x)||,$$

holds for every  $x \in H$  and  $k \geq 1$ .

**Proof.** The proof of the Proposition is similar to that of Proposition 3.8.

**Proposition 4.3** Let  $T \in B(H)$ . Then  $T \in (M, 2)_N$  if and only if T is  $\sqrt{N}$ -quasi-hyponormal operator.

**Proof.** Let  $T \in (M, 2)_N$ , then  $NT^{*2}T^2 \ge (T^*T)^2$ , holds. Respectively

$$(NT^{*2}T^{2} - (T^{*}T)^{2}(x), x) \ge 0 \Leftrightarrow (NT^{*2}T^{2}(x), x) - ((T^{*}T)^{2}(x), x) \ge 0$$

for all  $x \in H$ .

$$\Leftrightarrow \sqrt{N}||T^2(x)|| \ge ||T^*T(x)||,$$

from which follows that T is  $\sqrt{N}$ -quasi-hyponormal operator.

**Corollary 4.4** If  $T \in (M, 2)_N$  then T is  $\sqrt{N}$ -paranormal operator.

**Proof.** From Proposition 4.3 it follows that the following relation holds:

$$\sqrt{N}||T^{2}(x)|| \ge ||T^{*}T(x)||,$$

for all  $x \in H$ . And in what follows without lose of generality we can take that ||x|| = 1. From this we have

$$\sqrt{N}||T^{2}(x)|| \ge ||T^{*}T(x)|| \ge ||T(x)||^{2},$$

hence T is  $\sqrt{N}$ -paranormal operator.

**Proposition 4.5** If  $T \in (M, 2)^*_N$  then T is  $\sqrt{N}$ -\*paranormal operator.

**Proof.** Suppose  $T \in (M, 2)_N^*$ , then we have:  $NT^{*2}T^2 \ge (TT^*)^2$ , respectively

$$(NT^{*2}T^2 - (TT^*)^2(x), x) \ge 0 \Rightarrow N(T^{*2}T^2(x), x) - ((TT^*)^2(x), x) \ge 0$$

for all  $x \in H$ ,

$$\sqrt{N}||T^{2}(x)|| \ge ||TT^{*}(x)||$$

In what follows without lose of generality we can take that ||x|| = 1. From this we have

$$\sqrt{N}||T^{2}(x)|| \ge ||TT^{*}(x)|| \ge ||T^{*}(x)||^{2}.$$

Therefore T is  $\sqrt{N}$ -\*paranormal operator.

**Proposition 4.6** Let  $T \in (M, k)_N$  and let  $T^k$  be a compact operator for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , then it follows that T is compact too.

**Proof.** From the fact that  $T \in (M, k)_N$  for  $k \ge 2$ , following proposition 4.1, we have:

$$\left\| (T^*T)^{\frac{k}{2}}(x) \right\| \le \sqrt{N} ||T^k(x)||.$$
(6)

Let  $(x_n) \in H$  be weakly convergent sequence with limit 0 in H. From compactness of  $T^k$  and relation (6) we get the following relation:

$$\left\| (T^*T)^{\frac{k}{2}}(x_n) \right\| \to 0, n \to \infty.$$

From the last relation it follows that  $T^*T$  is compact operator, respectively T is compact(see [3]).

**Proposition 4.7** Let  $T \in (M, k)_N^*$  and let  $T^k$  be compact operator for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , then it follows that T is compact too.

**Proof.** The proof is similar with the proof of the proposition 4.6.

**Example 4.8** An operator from  $(M, k)_{\frac{1}{N}}^*$  which is not in  $(M, k)_{\frac{1}{N}}^*$ . We will construct our example following ideas given in example 3.5 in [4]. Let us consider that N > 3 and let us suppose that T is weighted shift operator in  $l_2$ , given by relation:  $T : l_2 \to l_2$ , such that  $T(x_1, x_2, \cdots, ) = (0, 0, \alpha_1 x_1, \alpha_2 x_2, \cdots, ),$  $T^*(x_1, x_2, \cdots, ) = (\alpha_1 x_3, \alpha_2 x_4, \cdots, ),$  with weights  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \frac{3\sqrt{N}}{2}, \alpha_3 = \alpha_4 = N, \alpha_5 = \alpha_6 = N \cdot \sqrt{N}, \alpha_7 = \alpha_8 = N^2, \alpha_9 = \alpha_{10} = N^2 \cdot \sqrt{N}, \cdots$ .

 $N, \alpha_5 = \alpha_6 = N \cdot \sqrt{N}, \alpha_7 = \alpha_8 = N^2, \alpha_9 = \alpha_{10} = N^2 \cdot \sqrt{N}, \cdots$ Let us denote by  $e_n = (0, 0, \cdots, \underbrace{1}_{n\text{-position}}, 0, \cdots)$  the orthogonal basis. Then

we have

$$\left(\frac{1}{N}T^{*2}T^2 - (TT^*)^2\right)(e_n) = \left(\frac{1}{N}\alpha_n^2\alpha_{n+2}^2 - \alpha_{n-2}^4\right)(e_n) \ge 0, \tag{7}$$

for n > 2. Further, for n = 1, 2 we have:

$$\left(\frac{1}{N}T^{*2}T^2 - (TT^*)^2\right)(e_1) = \left(\frac{1}{N}\alpha_1^2\alpha_3^2\right)(e_1) \ge 0,$$

and

$$\left(\frac{1}{N}T^{*2}T^2 - (TT^*)^2\right)(e_2) = \left(\frac{1}{N}\alpha_4^2\alpha_2^2\right)(e_2) \ge 0.$$

Finally we get the following estimation:

$$\left(\left(\frac{1}{N}T^{*2}T^2 - (TT^*)^2\right)(e_n), e_n\right) \ge 0,$$

for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , therefore  $T \in (M, 2)^*_{\frac{1}{2}}$ . On the other hand, since

$$\frac{1}{N}T^{*2}T^{2}(e_{1}) - (T^{*}T)^{2}(e_{1}) = \left(\frac{1}{N}\alpha_{1}^{2}\alpha_{3}^{2} - \alpha_{1}^{4}\right)(e_{1}) = \left(\frac{1}{N}\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{2}N^{3} - \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{4}N^{2}\right)(e_{1})$$

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$$= -\frac{45}{16}N^2(e_1) < 0,$$

we conclude that  $T \notin (M,2)_{\frac{1}{N}}$ .

**Example 4.9** An operator from  $(M,k)_{\frac{1}{N}}$  which is not in  $(M,k)_{\frac{1}{N}}^*$ . Suppose H is a direct sum of denumerable copies of two dimensional Hilbert space  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ . Let A and B be any two positive operators on  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ . For any fixed  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  define operator  $T = T_{A,B,n}$  on H as follows:

$$T(x_1, x_2, \cdots, ) = (0, Ax_1, Ax_2, \cdots, Ax_n, Bx_{n+1}, \cdots),$$

and from this we have the adjoint operator:

$$T^*(x_1, x_2, \cdots, ) = (Ax_2, Ax_3, \cdots, Ax_{n+1}, Bx_{n+2}, \cdots).$$

In what follows we will consider that  $N > \frac{1}{2}$ . The operator T belong to  $(M, 2)_{\frac{1}{N}}$  class if and only if  $AB^2A - N \cdot A^4 \ge 0$ . Let us denote by  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} N & N \\ N & N \end{pmatrix}$  matrices which satisfies the condition  $AB^2A - N \cdot A^4 \ge 0$ , respectively condition under which operator  $T \in (M, 2)_{\frac{1}{N}}$ . Let

$$x = \left(0, 0, \cdots, 0, \underbrace{\left(-\frac{1}{8N^4 - N}, \frac{1}{8N^4}\right)}_{(n+1) - position}, 0, \cdots\right).$$

Based in the definition of operators A, B and T we will get the following relation:

$$\left(T^{*2}T^2 - N(TT^*)^2(x), x\right) = ||B^2(x_{n+1})||^2 - N||A^2(x_{n+1})||^2 = \left( \left( \begin{array}{cc} 8N^4 - N & 8N^4 \\ 8N^4 & 8N^4 \end{array} \right) \left( -\frac{1}{8N^4 - N}, \frac{1}{8N^4} \right), \left( -\frac{1}{8N^4 - N}, \frac{1}{8N^4} \right) \right) = \\ \left( \left( \left( 0, -\frac{N}{8N^4 - N} \right), \left( -\frac{1}{8N^4 - N}, \frac{1}{8N^4} \right) \right) = -\frac{N}{(8N^4 - N)8N^4} < 0,$$

from which it follows that  $T \notin (M, 2)^*_{\frac{1}{N}}$ .

**Proposition 4.10** Let T be an operator from  $(M, k)_N^*$  class. Then

$$(M,k)_N^* \subset (M,k+1)_N$$

holds true. The conversely is also true in case T has dense range in H.

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**Proof.** Let us suppose that  $T \in (M, k)_N^*$ . Then for  $k \ge 2$ , it follows that

$$NT^{*k}T^k \ge (TT^*)^k.$$

This is equivalent with:

$$((NT^{*k}T^k - (TT^*)^k)(x), x) \ge 0,$$

for every  $x \in H$ . Further:

$$((NT^{*k+1}T^{k+1} - (T^*T)^{k+1})(x), x) = (NT^*(T^{*k}T^k - (TT^*)^k)T(x), x) = ((NT^{*k}T^k - (TT^*)^k)T(x), T(x)) \ge 0.$$

From this it follows that  $NT^{*k+1}T^{k+1} \ge (T^*T)^{k+1} \Rightarrow T \in (M, k+1)_N$ . Now let us suppose that T is an operator from  $(M, k+1)_N$  with dense range, we will show that  $T \in (M, k)_N^*$ . Let  $x \in H$ . Since  $\overline{R(T)} = H$ , it follows that there exists a sequence  $(x_n) \in H$  such that  $T(x_n) \to x$ . On the other hand, because  $T \in (M, k+1)_N$ , it follows that

$$((NT^{*k}T^k - (TT^*)^k)T(x_n), T(x_n)) = ((NT^{*k+1}T^{k+1} - (T^*T)^{k+1})(x_n), x_n) \ge 0.$$
(8)

Taking the limit as  $n \to \infty$ , and taking into the consideration that the inner product is continuous function we will get the following relation:

$$((NT^{*k}T^k - (TT^*)^k)T(x_n), T(x_n)) \to ((NT^{*k}T^k - (TT^*)^k)x, x).$$
(9)

From relations (8) and (9) it follows that

$$((NT^{*k}T^k - (TT^*)^k)x, x) \ge 0,$$

for every  $x \in H$ , respectively

$$NT^{*k}T^k \ge (TT^*)^k,$$

and therefore  $T \in (M, k)_N^*$ .

**Corollary 4.11** If T is N quasi-hyponormal operator with dense range then T is N-hyponormal too.

**Proposition 4.12** If  $T \in B(H)$  is a quasi-normal operator, then it is a  $\sqrt{N}$ -hyponormal operator if and only if  $T \in (M, k)_N^*$ , for all  $k \ge 1$ .

**Proof.** The proof is similar to that in Theorem 3.11 [4].

Now we will show that if  $T_i$  are operators from  $(M, k)_N$  then it follows that their direct sum is from  $(M, k)_N$ , also.

**Proposition 4.13** Let  $H = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{N}} H_i$ ,  $H_i \cong H_j$  and  $T = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{N}} T_i$ . Where  $T_i : H_i \to H_i$  are operators from  $(M, k)_N$ ,  $T \in B(H)$ , then also  $T \in (M, k)_N$  and  $N||T^{*k}T^k|| \ge ||T^*T||^k$ .

**Proof.** From  $T_i \in (M, k)_N$  we have:

$$NT_i^{*k}T_i^k \ge (T_i^*T_i)^k.$$

Hence:

$$NT^{*k}T^k = N(\bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{N}}T_i)^{*k}(\bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{N}}T_i)^k = N(\bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{N}}T_i^{*k})(\bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{N}}T_i^{k}) = N\left(\bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{N}}T_i^{*k}T_i^k\right)$$

(\*) 
$$\geq \oplus_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (T_i^* T_i)^k = (\oplus_{i \in \mathbb{N}} T_i^* T_i)^k = (T^* T)^k$$

respectively  $T \in (M, k)_N$ . Now for every  $x \in H$ ,  $x = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} x_i$ ,  $x_i \in H_i$ ,

$$T(x) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{\infty} T_i x_i \Rightarrow ||Tx||^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} ||T_i x_i||^2 \le \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} ||T_i||^2 \cdot ||x_i||^2,$$

therefore

$$||Tx||^2 \le \sup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} ||T_i||^2 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} ||x_i||^2 = \sup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} ||T_i||^2 ||x||^2.$$

On the other hand:

$$||T||^{2} = \sup_{||x||=1} ||Tx||^{2} \le \sup_{||x||=1} \{\sup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} ||T_{i}||^{2} ||x||^{2} \} = \sup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} ||T_{i}||^{2}.$$
(10)

Further, for  $x = x_i \in H$ , it follows that  $Tx = T_i x_i$  and  $||Tx|| = ||T_i x_i||$ . Further more

$$||T|| = \sup_{||x||=1} ||Tx|| \ge \sup_{||x_i||=1} ||T_ix_i|| = ||T_i||,$$
 for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$  which implies

$$||T|| \ge \sup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} ||T_i||.$$

From (10) and (11) it follows:

$$||T|| = \sup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} ||T_i||.$$
 (12)

(11)

Finally, from relations (\*) and (12) it is obvious that  $N||T^{*k}T^k|| \ge ||T^*T||^k$ .

**Proposition 4.14** Let  $H = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{N}} H_i$ ,  $H_i \cong H_j$  and  $T = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{N}} T_i$ . Where  $T_i : H_i \to H_i$  are operators from  $(M, k)_N^*$ ,  $T \in B(H)$ , then also  $T \in (M, k)_N^*$  and  $N||T^{*k}T^k|| \ge ||TT^*||^k$ .

**Proof.** The proof of proposition is similar to the previous proposition.

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