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NOTE ON (A, m) -ISOMETRIC OPERATORS IN SEMI-HILBERTIAN SPACES

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Abstract: Given a bounded positive linear operator A on a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} we consider the semi-Hilbertian space $(\mathcal{H}, \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle_A)$, where $\langle \xi | \eta \rangle_A := \langle A\xi | \eta \rangle$. In this note we study further properties of the class of (A, m) -isometric operators on a semi-Hilbertian space \mathcal{H} with inner product $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle_A$. A Hilbert space operator $T \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]$ is (A, m) -isometry for some $A \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]^+$ and integer $m \geq 1$ ([19]) if

$$\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^{m-k} \binom{m}{k} T^{*k} A T^k = 0.$$

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1. Introduction

Along this note \mathcal{H} denotes a complex Hilbert space with inner product $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle$. $\mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]$ is the algebra of all bounded linear operators on \mathcal{H} , $\mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]^+$ is the cone of positive (semi-definite) operators of $\mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]$, i.e.,

$$\mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]^+ := \{ T \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}] \mid \langle T\xi | \xi \rangle \geq 0 \ \forall \xi \in \mathcal{H} \}$$

and $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})_{cr}$ is the subset of $\mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]$ of all operators with closed range. For every $T \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]$, $\mathcal{N}(T)$, $\mathcal{R}(T)$ and $\overline{\mathcal{R}(T)}$ stand for, respectively, the null space, the range and the closure of the range of T . Its adjoint operator by T^* . In addition, if $T_1, T_2 \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]$ then $T_1 \geq T_2$ means that $T_1 - T_2 \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]^+$. Given a closed subspace \mathcal{S} of \mathcal{H} , $P_{\mathcal{S}}$ denotes the orthogonal projection onto \mathcal{S} . On the other hand, T^\dagger stands for the Moore-Penrose inverse of $T \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]$.

Given $A \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]^+$, the functional

$$\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle_A : \mathcal{H} \times \mathcal{H} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}, \langle \xi | \eta \rangle_A = \langle A\xi | \eta \rangle$$

is a semi-inner product on \mathcal{H} . By $\|\cdot\|_A$ we denote the seminorm induced by $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle_A$, i.e., $\|\xi\|_A = \langle \xi | \xi \rangle_A^{\frac{1}{2}}$. Observe that $\|\xi\|_A = 0$ if and only if $\xi \in \mathcal{N}(A)$. Then $\|\cdot\|_A$ is a norm if and only if A is an injective operator, and the seminormed space $(\mathcal{H}, \|\cdot\|_A)$ is complete if and only if $\mathcal{R}(A)$ is closed. Moreover, $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle_A$ induces a semi-norm on a certain subspace of $\mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]$, namely, on the subspace

$$\{ T \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}] \mid \exists c > 0 : \|T\xi\|_A \leq c\|\xi\|_A \ \forall \xi \in \mathcal{H} \}.$$

In such case it holds

$$\begin{aligned} \|T\|_A &= \sup_{\substack{\xi \in \mathcal{R}(A) \\ \xi \neq 0}} \frac{\|T\xi\|_A}{\|\xi\|_A} = \sup_{\|\xi\|_A \leq 1} \|T\xi\|_A = \sup\{\|T\xi\|_A : \|\xi\|_A = 1\} \\ &= \inf\{c > 0 : \|T\xi\|_A \leq c\|\xi\|_A, \xi \in \mathcal{H}\} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover

$$\|T\|_A = \sup\{\langle T\xi | \eta \rangle_A; \xi, \eta \in \mathcal{H}, \|\xi\|_A \leq 1, \|\eta\|_A \leq 1\}.$$

For $\xi, \eta \in \mathcal{H}$, we say that ξ and η are A -orthogonal if $\langle \xi | \eta \rangle_A = 0$. Define

$$\mathcal{B}_{A^{\frac{1}{2}}}(\mathcal{H}) := \{T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}) : \|T\xi\|_A \leq c\|\xi\|_A \text{ for every } \xi \in \mathcal{H}\}$$

It is easy to see that $\mathcal{B}_{A^{\frac{1}{2}}}(\mathcal{H})$ is a subspace of $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$.

Definition 1.1. ([5]) For $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, an operator $S \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is called an A -adjoint of T if for every $\xi, \eta \in \mathcal{H}$

$$\langle T\xi | \eta \rangle_A = \langle \xi | S\eta \rangle_A,$$

i.e., $AS = T^*A$; we say that T is A -self-adjoint if $AT = T^*A$.

or which is equivalent, if S is a solution of the equation $AX = T^*A$.

An operator acting on a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} is called m -isometric for some integer $m \geq 1$ if

$$T^{*m}T^m - \binom{m}{1}T^{*m-1}T^{m-1} + \dots + (-1)^{m-1} \binom{m}{m-1}T^*T + (-1)^m I = 0 \quad (1.1)$$

where $\binom{m}{k}$ be the binomial coefficient. A simple manipulation proves that (1.1) is equivalent to

$$\sum_{k=0}^m (-1)^{m-k} \binom{m}{k} \|T^k x\|^2 = 0, \text{ for all } x \in \mathcal{H} \quad (1.2)$$

Evidently, an isometric operator (i.e., a 1-isometric operator) is m -isometric for all integers $m \geq 1$. Indeed the class of m -isometric operators is a generalization of the class of isometric operators and a detailed study of this class and in particular 2-isometric operators on a Hilbert space has been the object of some intensive study, especially by J.Agler and M. Stankus in [1, 2, 3], also by S.Richter [21] Shimorin [22], S.M. Patel [18] and B.P.Duggal in [13, 14]. m -Isometries are not only a natural extension of an isometry, but they are also important in the study of Dirichlet operators and some other classes of operators.

A generalization of m -isometries to operators on general Banach spaces has been presented by several authors in the last years. Botelho [11] and Sid Ahmed [20] discuss operators defined via (1.2) on (complex) Banach spaces. Bayart introduces in [8] the notion of (m, p) -isometries on general (real or complex) Banach spaces. An operator

$T \in \mathcal{B}[X]$ on a Banach space X is called an (m, p) -isometry if there exists an integer $m \geq 1$ and a $p \in [1, \infty)$, with

$$\forall x \in X, \sum_{k=0}^m (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} \|T^{m-k}x\|^p = 0 \quad (1.3)$$

It is easy to see that, if $X = \mathcal{H}$ is a Hilbert space and $p = 2$, this definition coincides with the original definition (1.1) of m -isometries. In [16] the authors took off the restriction $p \geq 1$ and defined (m, p) -isometries for all $p > 0$. They studied when an (m, p) -isometry is an (μ, q) -isometry for some pair (μ, q) . In particular, for any positive real number p they gave an example of an operator T that is a $(2, p)$ -isometry, but is not a $(2, q)$ -isometry for any q different from p . In [9] and [10] it is proven that the powers on an m -isometry are m -isometries and some products of m -isometries are again m -isometries. For any $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ we set

$$\beta_m(T) := \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^{m-j} \binom{m}{j} T^{*j} T^j. \quad (1.4)$$

Let $A \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]^+$ and let m be a positive integer. An operator $T \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]$ is said to be an (A, m) -isometry if and only if

$$\beta_m^A(T) := \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^{m-k} \binom{m}{k} T^{*k} A T^k = 0 \quad (1.5)$$

or equivalently if

$$\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^{m-k} \binom{m}{k} \|T^k x\|_A^2 = 0 \quad (1.6)$$

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

In particular, if T is a $(A, 2)$ -isometry or a $(A, 3)$ -isometry, then it must satisfy the operator equation

$$T^{*2} A T^2 - 2T^* A T + A = 0 \quad (1.7)$$

or

$$T^{*3} A T^3 - 3T^{*2} A T^2 + 3T^* A T - A = 0 \quad (1.8)$$

respectively.

Every $(A, 1)$ -isometry or A -isometry (that is T satisfying $T^* A T = A$) is an (A, m) -isometry. It follows from (1.7) and (1.8) that every $(A, 2)$ -isometry is a $(A, 3)$ -isometry. More generally it is true that an (A, m) -isometry is also an (A, n) -isometry for all $n \geq m$, cf. [19]. The class of (A, m) -isometries has been introduced by Sid Ahmed and Saddi [19].

In recent years, several results covering some classes of operators on a complex Hilbert space $(\mathcal{H}, \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle)$ are extended to $(\mathcal{H}, \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle_A)$. [6, 7, 15]

2. MAIN RESULTS

In this section, we study further properties for some (A, m) -isometric operators.

The following theorem gives a characterization of $(A, 3)$ -isometric operators.

Theorem 2.1. Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then T is an $(A, 3)$ -isometric operator if and only if T satisfies

$$T^{*n}AT^n = A + n\Psi_1(T^*, A, T) + n^2\Psi_2(T^*, A, T) \quad (2.1)$$

for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, where

$$\Psi_2(T^*, A, T) = \frac{1}{2} \left(T^{*2}AT^2 - 2T^*AT + A \right) \quad (2.2)$$

and

$$\Psi_1(T^*, A, T) = \frac{1}{2} \left(-T^{*2}AT^2 + 4T^*AT - 3A \right) \quad (2.3)$$

Proof. We prove the if part of the theorem. Assume that T satisfies (2.1). For $n = 3$ we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} T^{*3}AT^3 &= A + 3\Psi_1(T^*, A, T) + 9\Psi_2(T^*, A, T) \\ &= A + \frac{3}{2} \left(-T^{*2}AT^2 + 4T^*AT - 3A \right) + \frac{9}{2} \left(T^{*2}AT^2 - 2T^*AT + A \right) \\ &= A - 3T^{*2}AT^2 - 3T^*AT. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we have

$$T^{*3}AT^3 - 3T^{*2}AT^2 + 3T^*AT - A = 0,$$

and so that, T is an $(A, 3)$ -isometry.

We prove the only if part. Assume that T is an $(3, A)$ -isometry. We prove (2.1) by mathematical induction. For $n = 1$ it is true. Assume that (2.1) is true for n and prove it for $n + 1$. Indeed, we have

$$\begin{aligned} T^{*(n+1)}AT^{n+1} &= T^*(T^{*n}AT^n)T \\ &= T^* \left(A + n\Psi_1(T^*, A, T) + n^2\Psi_2(T^*, A, T) \right) T \\ &= T^*AT + \frac{n}{2} \left(-T^{*3}AT^3 + 4T^{*2}AT^2 - 3T^*AT \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{n^2}{2} \left(T^{*3}AT^3 - 2T^{*2}AT^2 + T^*AT \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{n^2 - n}{2} \right) T^{*3}AT^3 - (n^2 - 2n)T^{*2}AT^2 + \left(\frac{n^2 - 3n + 2}{2} \right) T^*AT. \end{aligned}$$

Now, using the fact that T is an $(A, 3)$ -isometry we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 T^{*n+1}AT^{n+1} &= \left(\frac{n^2-n}{2}\right)\left(A+3T^{*2}AT^2-3T^*AT\right) + -(n^2-2n)T^{*2}AT^2 \\
 &\quad + \left(\frac{n^2-3n+2}{2}\right)T^*AT \\
 &= \left(\frac{n^2+n}{2}\right)T^{*2}AT^2 + \left(\frac{-2n^2+2}{2}\right)T^*AT + \left(\frac{n^2-n}{2}\right)A \\
 &= \left(\frac{n^2+n}{2}\right)\left(A+2\Psi_1(T^*,A,T)+4\Psi_2(T^*,A,T)\right) \\
 &\quad + \left(\frac{-2n^2+2}{2}\right)\left(A+\Psi_1(T^*,A,T)+\Psi_2(T^*,A,T)\right) + \left(\frac{n^2-n}{2}\right)A \\
 &= A+(n+1)\Psi_1(T^*,A,T)+(n+1)^2\Psi(T^*,A,T).
 \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 2.2. Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ and $S \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ for which $TS = ST$. The following properties hold

(1) If S is an A -isometry, then

$$\beta_m^A(TS) = \beta_m^A(T). \tag{2.4}$$

(2) If S is an $(A, 2)$ -isometry, then

$$\beta_{m+1}^A(TS) = (m+1)S^*T^*\beta_m^A(T)TS - (m+1)T^*\beta_m^A(T)T + \beta_{m+1}^A(T). \tag{2.5}$$

(3) If S is an $((A, 3)$ -isometry, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \beta_{m+1}^A(TS) &= \beta_{m+2}^A(T) + T^*\beta_m^{\Psi_1(S^*,A,S)}(T)T + (m+2)(m+1)T^{*2}\beta_m^{\Psi_2(S^*,A,S)}(T)T^2 \\
 &\quad + (m+2)T^*\beta_{m+1}^{\Psi_2(S^*,A,S)}(T)T.
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.6}$$

Proof. (1) Assume that S is an A -isometry, then we have $S^{*k}AS^k = A \ \forall k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ and it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \beta_m^A(TS) &= \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^{m-k} \binom{m}{k} (TS)^{*k}A(TS)^k \\
 &= \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^{m-k} \binom{m}{k} T^{*k}S^{*k}AT^kS^k \\
 &= \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^{m-k} \binom{m}{k} T^{*k}(S^{*k}AS^k)T^k \\
 &= \beta_m^A(T) \\
 &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

(2) Assume that S is an $(A, 2)$ -isometry. Then we have by using [19, Lemma3.4] that

$S^*kAS^k = kS^*AS + (1 - k)A$ for $k = 0, 1, \dots$. A simple calculation shows that

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{m+1}^A(TS) &= \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+1} (-1)^{m+1-k} \binom{m+1}{k} (TS)^{*k} A (TS)^k \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+1} (-1)^{m+1-k} \binom{m+1}{k} T^{*k} (S^*kAS^k) T^k \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+1} (-1)^{m+1-k} \binom{m+1}{k} T^{*k} (kS^*AS + (1 - k)A) T^k \\ &= S^* \left(\sum_{1 \leq k \leq m+1} (-1)^{m+1-k} \binom{m+1}{k} T^{*k} A T^k \right) S + \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+1} (-1)^{m+1-k} \binom{m+1}{k} (-k + 1) T^{*k} A \\ &= (m + 1) S^* \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^{m-k} \binom{m}{k} T^{*k+1} A T^{k+1} \right) S - (m + 1) T^* \beta_m^A(T) T + \beta_{m+1}^A(T) \\ &= (m + 1) S^* T^* \beta_m^A(T) T S - (m + 1) T^* \beta_m^A(T) T + \beta_{m+1}^A(T) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

(3) Assume that S is an $(A, 3)$ -isometry and $TS = ST$. In view of Theorem 2.1 we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{m+2}^A(TS) &= \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+2} (-1)^{m+2-k} \binom{m+2}{k} (ST)^{*k} A (ST)^k \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+2} (-1)^{m+2-k} \binom{m+2}{k} T^{*k} (S^*kAS^k) T^k \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+2} (-1)^{m+2-k} \binom{m+2}{k} T^{*k} \left(A + k\Psi_1(S^*, A, S) + k^2\Psi_2(S^*, A, S) \right) T^k \\ &= \left\{ \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+2} (-1)^{m+2-k} \binom{m+2}{k} (T)^{*k} A T^k + \right. \\ &\quad \left. \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+2} (-1)^{m+2-k} \binom{m+2}{k} k (T)^{*k} \Psi_1(S^*, A, S) T^k + \right. \\ &\quad \left. \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+2} (-1)^{m+2-k} \binom{m+2}{k} k^2 T^{*k} \Psi_2(S^*, A, S) T^k \right\} \\ &= \beta_{m+2}^A(T) + T^* \beta_m^{\Psi_1(S^*, A, S)}(T) T + (m + 2)(m + 1) T^{*2} \beta_m^{\Psi_2(S^*, A, S)}(T) T^2 \\ &\quad + (m + 2) T^* \beta_{m+1}^{\Psi_2(S^*, A, S)}(T) T. \end{aligned}$$

□

The proof of the following corollary is an immediate consequence of Theorem 2.2

Corollary 2.1. *Let $T, S \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]$ such that $TS = ST$. If T is an (A, m) -isometry and S is an (A, k) -isometry for $k = 1, 2, 3$, then TS is an $(A, m + k - 1)$ -isometry for $k = 1, 2, 3$.*

Let $\overline{\mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H}}$ denote the completion, endowed with a reasonable uniform cross-norm, of the algebraic tensor product $\mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H}$ of \mathcal{H} with \mathcal{H} . Given non-zero $T, S \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$,

let $T \otimes S \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H})$ denote the tensor product on the Hilbert space $\mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H}$, when $T \otimes S$ is defined as follows

$$\langle T \otimes S(\xi_1 \otimes \eta_1) | (\xi_2 \otimes \eta_2) \rangle = \langle T\xi_1 | \xi_2 \rangle \langle S\eta_1 | \eta_2 \rangle.$$

The operation of taking tensor products $T \otimes S$ preserves many properties of $T, S \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, but by no means all of them. Thus, whereas $T \otimes S$ is normal if and only if T and S are normal [17], there exist paranormal operators T and S such that $T \otimes S$ is not paranormal [4]. In [12], Duggal showed that if for non-zero $T, S \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, $T \otimes S$ is p -hyponormal if and only if T and S are p -hyponormal.

Proposition 2.1. *Let $T, S \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]$ and $A, B \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]^+$. Then the following hold:*

- (1) T is an (A, m) -isometry if and only if $T \otimes I$ is an $(A \otimes B, m)$ -isometry.
- (2) S is an (B, m) -isometry if and only if $I \otimes S$ is an $(A \otimes B, m)$ -isometry.

Proof. The proof follows from the following identities.

$$\beta_m^{A \otimes B}(T \otimes I) = \beta_m^A(T) \otimes B$$

and

$$\beta_m^{A \otimes B}(I \otimes S) = A \otimes \beta_m^B(S).$$

Theorem 2.3. *Let $T, S \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]$ and $A, B \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]^+$. If T is an (A, m) -isometry and S is an (B, k) -isometry for $k = 1, 2, 3$. Then $T \otimes S$ is an $(A \otimes B, m + k - 1)$ -isometry for $k = 1, 2, 3$.*

Proof. Two proofs for this theorem will be given.

The First Proof. For $k = 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_m^{A \otimes B}(T \otimes S) &= \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^{m-j} \binom{m}{j} (T \otimes S)^{*j} (A \otimes B) (T \otimes S)^j \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^{m-i} \binom{m}{j} (T^*{}^j A T^j) \otimes (S^*{}^j B S^j) \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^{m-i} \binom{m}{j} (T^*{}^j A T^i) \otimes B \\ &= \beta_m^A(T) \otimes B \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

For $k = 2$. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \beta_{m+1}^{A \otimes B}(T \otimes S) &= \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m+1} (-1)^{m+1-i} \binom{m+1}{j} (T \otimes S)^{*j} (A \otimes B) (T \otimes S)^j \\
 &= \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^{m-j} \binom{m}{j} (T^{*j} A T^j) \otimes (S^{*j} B S^j) \\
 &= \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m} (-1)^{m-i} \binom{m}{j} (T^{*j} A T^j) \otimes B \\
 &= \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m+1} (-1)^{m+1-j} \binom{m+1}{j} \left(T^{*j} A T^j \otimes (j S^{*j} B S^j + (1-j) B) \right) \\
 &= \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m+1} (-1)^{m+1-j} \binom{m+1}{j} j T^{*j} A T^j \otimes S^{*j} B S^j \\
 &\quad - \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m+1} (-1)^{m+1-j} \binom{m+1}{j} j T^{*j} A T^j \otimes B \\
 &\quad + \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m+1} (-1)^{m+1-j} \binom{m+1}{j} j T^{*j} A T^j \otimes B \\
 &| = (m+1) \beta_m^A(T) \otimes S^{*j} B S^j - (m+1) \beta_m^A(T) \otimes B + \beta_{m+1}^A(T) \otimes B \\
 &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

For $k = 3$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\beta_{m+2}^{A \otimes B}(T \otimes S) \\
 &= \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m+2} (-1)^{m+2-j} \binom{m+2}{j} (T \otimes S)^{*j} (A \otimes B) (T \otimes S)^j \\
 &= \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m+2} (-1)^{m+2-j} \binom{m+2}{j} (T^{*j} A T^j) \otimes (S^{*j} B S^j) \\
 &= \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m+2} (-1)^{m+2-j} \binom{m+2}{j} (T^{*j} A T^j) \otimes (B + j \Psi_1(S^*, B, S) + j^2 \Psi_2(S^*, B, S T)) \\
 &= \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m+2} (-1)^{m+2-j} \binom{m+2}{j} \left((T^{*j} A T^j) \otimes B \right. \\
 &\quad + \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m+2} (-1)^{m+2-j} \binom{m+2}{j} j ((T^{*j} A T^j) \otimes \Psi_1(S^*, B, S)) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{0 \leq j \leq m+2} (-1)^{m+2-j} \binom{m+2}{j} j^2 ((T^{*j} A T^j) \otimes \Psi_2(S^*, B, S)) \\
 &= \beta_{m+2}(T) \otimes B + T^* \beta_m^A(T) T \otimes \Psi_1(S^*, B, S) + (m+2) T^* \beta_{m+1}^A(T) T \otimes \Psi_2(S^*, B, S) \\
 &\quad + (m+2)(m+1) T^{*2} \beta_m^A(T) T^2 \otimes \Psi_2(S^*, B, S) \\
 &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

3. Conclusions

This concludes the first proof.

The Second Proof. By observing that

$$T \otimes S = (T \otimes I)(I \otimes S) = (I \otimes S)(T \otimes I).$$

Since T is an (A, m) -isometry and S is an (B, k) -isometry for $k = 1, 2, 3$, it follows in view of Proposition 2.1 that $T \otimes I$ is an $(A \otimes B, m)$ and $I \otimes S$ is an $(A \otimes B, k)$ -isometry for $k = 1, 2, 3$. By applying Theorem 2.2, we deduce that $T \otimes S$ is an $(A \otimes B, m + k - 1)$ -isometry.

Theorem 2.4. *Let $T, S \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]$ and $A, B \in \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{H}]^+$. If T is an (A, m) -isometry and S is an (B, n) -isometry, then $T \oplus S$ is an $(A \oplus B, p)$ -isometry, where $p = \max\{m, n\}$.*

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_p^{A \oplus B}(T \oplus S) &= \sum_{0 \leq k \leq p} (-1)^{p-k} \binom{p}{k} (T \oplus S)^{*k} (A \oplus B) (T \oplus S)^k \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq k \leq p} (-1)^{p-k} \binom{m}{k} \left(T^{*k} A T^k \oplus S^{*k} B S^k \right) \\ &= \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq p} (-1)^{p-k} \binom{p}{k} T^{*k} A T^k \right) \oplus \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq p} (-1)^{p-k} \binom{p}{k} S^{*k} B S^k \right) \\ &= \beta_p^A(T) \oplus \beta_p^B(S) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

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