

17. Operators Satisfying the Growth Condition (G_1)

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1. This note is motivated by the following theorem by I. H. Sheth.

Theorem 1 [6]. *Let $T=UR$, $R=(T^*T)^{1/2}$ be an invertible hyponormal operator such that U is cramped, then $0 \notin \overline{W(T)}$.*

The purpose of this note is to prove a generalization of Theorem 1 to the case of operators satisfying the growth condition (G_1) . The technique of [6] actually proves the following theorem.

Theorem 2. *Let $T=UR$, $R=(T^*T)^{1/2}$ be an invertible operator such that T satisfies (G_1) and U is cramped, then $0 \notin \overline{W(T)}$.*

In the case of normal operator, this was proved by Berberian [1]. Durszt [2] constructed an invertible operator T such that the unitary operator $U=T(T^*T)^{-1}$ is cramped and $0 \in \overline{W(T)}$.

2. In the following, an operator means a bounded linear operator on a Hilbert space. Let T be an operator on H , $\sigma(T)$ and $\sigma_a(T)$ denote the spectrum and the approximate point spectrum of T respectively. Let $\text{conv } \sigma(T)$ be the (automatically closed) convex hull of $\sigma(T)$. The numerical range $W(T)$ is the set $W(T)=\{(Tx, x): x \in H, \|x\|=1\}$. We write $\overline{W(T)}$ the closure of $W(T)$. T satisfies the condition (G_1) if

$$(G_1) \quad \|(T - \alpha I)^{-1}\| \leq 1/d(\alpha, \sigma(T))$$

for all $\alpha \notin \sigma(T)$, where $d(\alpha, \sigma(T))$ is the distance from α to $\sigma(T)$. A unitary operator U is cramped if $\sigma(U) \subset \{e^{i\theta}: \theta_0 < \theta < \theta_0 + \pi\}$.

If T is hyponormal, T satisfies Condition (G_1) . In fact, in this case $(T - \alpha I)^{-1}(\alpha \notin \sigma(T))$ is also hyponormal, hence

$$\|(T - \alpha I)^{-1}\| = 1/\inf\{|\lambda - \alpha|: \lambda \in \sigma(T)\} = 1/d(\alpha, \sigma(T)).$$

Let X be a compact convex set of the complex plane. A point $\lambda \in X$ is bare if there is a circle through λ such that no points of X lie outside this circle.

3. To prove Theorem 2, we use the following facts which are stated as lemmas.

Lemma 1. *If U is unitary, U is cramped if and only if $0 \notin \overline{W(U)}$.*

Proof. See [1: Lemma 3].

Lemma 2. *Let T be an operator which satisfies Condition (G_1) , then every bare point λ of $\overline{W(T)}$ is contained in $\sigma_a(T)$ and has the following property: $Tx_n - \lambda x_n \rightarrow 0$ ($n \rightarrow \infty$) if and only if $T^*x_n - \bar{\lambda}x_n \rightarrow 0$ ($n \rightarrow \infty$) for a sequence $\{x_n\}$ of unit vectors.*