

## THE CONDITIONS THAT THE TOEPLITZ OPERATOR IS NORMAL OR ANALYTIC

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**Abstract.** P. R. Halmos [6; Problem 5] asked whether every subnormal Toeplitz operators on  $H^2$  was either analytic or normal. A negative example was given by C. C. Cowen and J. J. Long [5; Theorem]. In this paper, we shall give the conditions that the Toeplitz operator  $T_\varphi$  is normal or analytic and show, as their applications, the following results: (1) If  $T_\varphi$  is hyponormal with  $\mathcal{N}_{T_\varphi^*T_\varphi - T_\varphi T_\varphi^*} = \{f \in H^2 : (T_\varphi^*T_\varphi - T_\varphi T_\varphi^*)f = 0\}$  as its invariant subspace and if  $\mathcal{N}_{H_\varphi} \cup \mathcal{N}_{H_{\bar{\varphi}}} \neq \{0\}$ , then  $T_\varphi$  is normal or analytic ([1; Theorem]) and (2) Every quasi-normal Toeplitz operator is only normal or a scalar multiple of an isometry ([2; Theorem]).

**1. Preliminaries.** A bounded measurable function  $\varphi \in L^\infty$  on the circle induces the multiplication operator on  $L^2$  called the **Laurent operator**  $L_\varphi$  given by  $L_\varphi f = \varphi f$  for  $f \in L^2$ . And the Laurent operator induces in a natural way twin operators on  $H^2$  called **Toeplitz operator**  $T_\varphi$  given by  $T_\varphi f = PL_\varphi f$  for  $f \in H^2$ , where  $P$  is the orthogonal projection from  $L^2$  onto  $H^2$  and **Hankel operator**  $H_\varphi$  given by  $H_\varphi f = J(I - P)L_\varphi f$  for  $f \in H^2$ , where  $J$  is the unitary operator on  $L^2$  defined by  $J(z^{-n}) = z^{n-1}$ ,  $n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$ . The following results are well known.

**Proposition 1.** ([3; Theorem IV]) If  $\mathcal{M}$  is a non-zero invariant subspace of  $T_z$ , then there exists an isometric Toeplitz operator  $T_g$  uniquely, up to a unimodular constant, such that  $\mathcal{M} = T_g H^2$ .

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