

## REPRESENTATIONS FOR THE PSEUDO DRAZIN INVERSE OF ELEMENTS IN A BANACH ALGEBRA

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we investigate the pseudo Drazin invertibility of the sum and the product of elements in a Banach algebra  $\mathcal{A}$ . Given pseudo Drazin invertible elements  $a$  and  $b$  such that  $a^2b = aba$  and  $b^2a = bab$ , it is shown that  $ab$  is pseudo Drazin invertible and  $a + b$  is pseudo Drazin invertible if and only if so is  $1 + a^\dagger b$ , and the related formulae are provided.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Representations for the *pseudo Drazin inverse* (abbr. *p-Drazin inverse*) of the sums and the products of two elements in certain algebras have attracted wide interest. In general, it is a challenging task to characterize the p-Drazin inverses of  $a + b$  and  $ab$  without additional hypothesis. For instance, given  $a$  and  $b$  in a Banach algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  with p-Drazin inverses  $a^\dagger$  and  $b^\dagger$ , respectively. If  $ab = ba = 0$  then it follows that  $a + b$  is p-Drazin invertible with  $(a + b)^\dagger = a^\dagger + b^\dagger$  (see [8, Theorem 2.5]). Further, if  $ab = ba$ , the authors proved that  $a + b$  is p-Drazin invertible if and only if  $1 + a^\dagger b$  is p-Drazin invertible. In this case, the representations of  $(a + b)^\dagger$  and  $1 + a^\dagger b$  are given (see [8, Theorem 2.7]). Note that the condition that  $ab = ba$  implies  $a^2b = aba$  and  $b^2a = bab$ . However, the reverse statement may not be true, such as, take  $a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  in the ring of  $2 \times 2$  matrices.

Motivated by the aforementioned work, we investigate the representations for the p-Drazin inverse of the sum and product of two elements under the conditions  $a^2b = aba$  and  $b^2a = bab$  in a Banach algebra. Some results on p-Drazin inverses in [8] are extended. Representations on *Drazin inverse* (see [1]) of the sum and the product of elements in various sets can be referred to mathematical literature [2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9].

Recently, the authors [5] introduced a new kind of generalized inverse, that is p-Drazin inverse, whose properties and related expressions are obtained in associative

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rings and Banach algebras. Throughout this paper, let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a Banach algebra with unity 1 and  $J(\mathcal{A})$  denote the Jacobson radical of  $\mathcal{A}$ . For any  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ , the commutant and double commutant of  $a$  are defined by  $\text{comm}(a) = \{x \in \mathcal{A} : ax = xa\}$  and  $\text{comm}^2(a) = \{x \in \mathcal{A} : xy = yx \text{ for all } y \in \text{comm}(a)\}$ . An element  $a \in \mathcal{A}$  is said to have a *p-Drazin inverse* if there exists  $b \in \mathcal{A}$  such that the following conditions hold [5]:

$$b \in \text{comm}(a), bab = b, a^k - a^{k+1}b \in J(\mathcal{A})$$

for some integer  $k \geq 1$ . If such a  $b$  exists, it is unique and is denoted by  $a^\dagger$ . In a Banach algebra, the condition  $b \in \text{comm}(a)$  in the above definition is equivalent to  $b \in \text{comm}^2(a)$ . According to [5],  $a^\dagger \in \text{comm}(a)$ . By  $a^\Pi = 1 - aa^\dagger$  and  $\mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{P}D}$  we denote the strongly spectral idempotent of  $a$  and set of p-Drazin invertible elements of  $\mathcal{A}$ , respectively. Note that some techniques such as matrix decompositions, orthogonal decomposition of Hilbert space, and spectral theory are not used in this article. The results in this paper are proved by a purely ring theoretical method.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

In this section, we start with some lemmas which play an important role in the sequel. We will freely use the fact that  $a^\dagger a^\Pi = a^\Pi a^\dagger = 0$  and  $a^\dagger x = xa^\dagger$  for every  $x \in \text{comm}(a)$  in the context (see [5]).

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}$  with  $a^2b = aba$  and  $b^2a = bab$ . If  $a \in \mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{P}D}$ , then*

$$(2.1) \quad (1) \quad (a^\dagger)^2b = a^\dagger ba^\dagger,$$

$$(2.2) \quad (2) \quad b^2a^\dagger = ba^\dagger b.$$

*Proof.* (1) As  $a^2b = aba$ , that is  $a(ab) = (ab)a$ , then  $ab \in \text{comm}(a^\dagger)$ .

Hence,  $(a^\dagger)^2b = (a^\dagger)^2a^\dagger ab = (a^\dagger)^2aba^\dagger = a^\dagger ba^\dagger$ .

(2) Again  $ab \in \text{comm}(a^\dagger)$  implies  $b^2a^\dagger = b^2a(a^\dagger)^2 = bab(a^\dagger)^2 = b(a^\dagger)^2ab = ba^\dagger b$ . ■

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{P}D}$  with  $a^2b = aba$  and  $b^2a = bab$ . Then*

$$(2.3) \quad (1) \quad \{ab, a^\dagger b, ab^\dagger, a^\dagger b^\dagger\} \subseteq \text{comm}(a),$$

$$(2.4) \quad (2) \quad \{ba, b^\dagger a, ba^\dagger, b^\dagger a^\dagger\} \subseteq \text{comm}(b).$$

*Proof.* (1) As  $ab \in \text{comm}(a^\dagger)$ , then

$$aa^\dagger b = (a^\dagger)^2 a^2 b = (a^\dagger)^2 aba = a^\dagger ba.$$

Similarly,  $ba \in \text{comm}(b^\dagger)$  guarantees that

$$ab^\dagger a = a(b^\dagger)^2 ba = aba(b^\dagger)^2 = a^2 b(b^\dagger)^2 = a^2 b^\dagger.$$

By  $ab^\dagger \in \text{comm}(a)$ , we obtain

$$aa^\dagger b^\dagger = (a^\dagger)^2 a^2 b^\dagger = (a^\dagger)^2 ab^\dagger a = a^\dagger b^\dagger a.$$

(2) can be obtained in a similar way of (1). ■

By Lemmas 2.1 and 2.2, we can get the following result.

**Lemma 2.3.** *Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^D$  with  $a^2 b = aba$  and  $b^2 a = bab$ . If  $\xi = 1 + a^\dagger b$ , then*

$$(2.5) \quad \{a, ab, a^\dagger b, ab^\dagger, a^\dagger b^\dagger\} \subseteq \text{comm}(\xi).$$

**Lemma 2.4.** *Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^D$  with  $a^2 b = aba$  and  $b^2 a = bab$ . Then*

$$(2.6) \quad (1) \quad ab^\dagger b^\dagger a = (ab^\dagger)^2 = a^2 (b^\dagger)^2,$$

$$(2.7) \quad (2) \quad (ab^\dagger)^{i+1} = ab^\dagger (b^\dagger a)^i = a^{i+1} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} \text{ for any positive integer } i,$$

$$(2.8) \quad (3) \quad (a^\dagger b)^{i+1} = a^\dagger b (ba^\dagger)^i = (a^\dagger)^{i+1} b^{i+1} \text{ for any positive integer } i$$

*Proof.* (1) It follows from Lemma 2.2 that  $ab^\dagger (b^\dagger a) = a(b^\dagger a)b^\dagger = (ab^\dagger)ab^\dagger = a(ab^\dagger)b^\dagger$ .

(2) It suffices to show the inductive step. Suppose  $(ab^\dagger)^{i+1} = ab^\dagger (b^\dagger a)^i = a^{i+1} (b^\dagger)^{i+1}$  then one can see that

$$(ab^\dagger)^{i+2} = ab^\dagger (ab^\dagger)^{i+1} = ab^\dagger ab^\dagger (b^\dagger a)^i \stackrel{(2.6)}{=} ab^\dagger b^\dagger a (b^\dagger a)^i = ab^\dagger (b^\dagger a)^{i+1}$$

and

$$(ab^\dagger)^{i+2} = ab^\dagger (ab^\dagger)^{i+1} = ab^\dagger a^{i+1} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} = a^{i+1} ab^\dagger (b^\dagger)^{i+1} = a^{i+2} (b^\dagger)^{i+2}.$$

(3) Use a similar way of (2). ■

In Lemma 2.4, one can substitute  $(a, b, a^\dagger, b^\dagger)$  for  $(b, a, b^\dagger, a^\dagger)$  and get the next result.

**Corollary 2.5.** *Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^D$  with  $a^2 b = aba$  and  $b^2 a = bab$ . Then*

$$(2.9) \quad (1) \quad ba^\dagger a^\dagger b = (ba^\dagger)^2 = b^2 (a^\dagger)^2,$$

$$(2.10) \quad (2) \quad (ba^\dagger)^{i+1} = ba^\dagger (a^\dagger b)^i = b^{i+1} (a^\dagger)^{i+1} \text{ for any positive integer } i,$$

$$(2.11) \quad (3) \quad (b^\dagger a)^{i+1} = b^\dagger a (ab^\dagger)^i = (b^\dagger)^{i+1} a^{i+1} \text{ for any positive integer } i.$$

**Lemma 2.6.** *Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}$  with  $a^2b = aba$  and  $b^2a = bab$ . Then following hold for any integer  $k \geq 0$ , we have*

- (1)  $(ab)^k = a^k b^k$ ,  
 (2)  $(a + b)^k = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} (a^{k-i} b^i + b^{k-i} a^i)$ .

*Proof.* (1) It is obvious for  $k = 1$ .

Assume  $(ab)^n = a^n b^n$ . For  $n + 1$  case, we have

$$(ab)^{n+1} = ab(ab)^n = aba^n b^n = a^n (ab) b^n = a^{n+1} b^{n+1}.$$

(2) By induction. ■

**Lemma 2.7.** *Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}$ . Then*

- (1) *If  $a \in J(\mathcal{A})$  or  $b \in J(\mathcal{A})$ , then  $ab, ba \in J(\mathcal{A})$ ,*  
 (2) *If  $a \in J(\mathcal{A})$  and  $b \in J(\mathcal{A})$ , then  $(a + b)^k \in J(\mathcal{A})$  for integer  $k \geq 1$ .*

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a Banach algebra. Given p-Drazin invertible elements  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $ab = ba$ , the authors [5] proved that  $ab$  is p-Drazin invertible and  $(ab)^\ddagger = b^\ddagger a^\ddagger = a^\ddagger b^\ddagger$ . The following theorem extends the result in [5, Proposition 5.2].

**Theorem 2.8.** *Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^{pD}$ . If  $a^2b = aba$  and  $b^2a = bab$ , then  $ab \in \mathcal{A}^{pD}$  and*

$$(ab)^\ddagger = a^\ddagger b^\ddagger.$$

*Proof.* We prove that  $x = a^\ddagger b^\ddagger$  is the p-Drazin inverse of  $ab$ , i.e., the following conditions hold: (1)  $(ab)x = x(ab)$ ; (2)  $x(ab)x = x$ ; (3)  $(ab)^k - (ab)^{k+1}x \in J(\mathcal{A})$ .

(1) Since  $(ab)a^\ddagger = a^\ddagger(ab)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (ab)x &= (ab)a^\ddagger b^\ddagger = a^\ddagger abb^\ddagger \\ &= a(a^\ddagger b^\ddagger)b = a^\ddagger b^\ddagger ab \\ &= x(ab). \end{aligned}$$

(2) We have

$$\begin{aligned} x(ab)x &= a^\ddagger b^\ddagger aba^\ddagger b^\ddagger = a(a^\ddagger b^\ddagger)ba^\ddagger b^\ddagger = aa^\ddagger b(b^\ddagger a^\ddagger)b^\ddagger \\ &= aa^\ddagger (b^\ddagger a^\ddagger)bb^\ddagger = a(a^\ddagger b^\ddagger)a^\ddagger bb^\ddagger = aa^\ddagger (a^\ddagger b^\ddagger)bb^\ddagger \\ &= x. \end{aligned}$$

(3) Note that equality  $(ab)^k = a^k b^k$  in Lemma 2.6 (1). We can prove  $a^{k+1} a^\ddagger b^{k+1} b^\ddagger = (ab)^{k+1} a^\ddagger b^\ddagger$  by induction.

For  $k = 0$ , we have  $aa^\ddagger bb^\ddagger = a^\ddagger(ab)b^\ddagger = aba^\ddagger b^\ddagger$ .

For the case of  $k + 1$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} a^{k+1} a^\dagger b^{k+1} b^\dagger &= a a^k a^\dagger b^k b^\dagger b = a(ab)^k a^\dagger b^\dagger b \\ &= (ab)^k a^\dagger a b b^\dagger = (ab)^k a b a^\dagger b^\dagger \\ &= (ab)^{k+1} a^\dagger b^\dagger. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^{pD}$ , there exist integers  $k_1, k_2$  such that  $a^{k_1} - a^{k_1+1} a^\dagger \in J(\mathcal{A})$  and  $b^{k_2} - b^{k_2+1} a^\dagger \in J(\mathcal{A})$ .

Take  $k = \max\{k_1, k_2\}$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} (ab)^k - (ab)^{k+1} x &= a^k b^k - a^{k+1} b^{k+1} a^\dagger b^\dagger = a^k b^k - a^{k+1} a^\dagger b^{k+1} b^\dagger \\ &= (a^k - a^{k+1} a^\dagger)(b^k - b^{k+1} b^\dagger) + a^{k+1} a^\dagger (b^k - b^{k+1} b^\dagger) \\ &\quad + (a^k - a^{k+1} a^\dagger) b^{k+1} b^\dagger. \end{aligned}$$

It follows from Lemma 2.7 (2) that  $(ab)^k - (ab)^{k+1} x \in J(\mathcal{A})$ .

Therefore,  $ab \in \mathcal{A}^{pD}$  and  $(ab)^\dagger = a^\dagger b^\dagger$ . ■

**Remark 2.9.** It is well known that the reverse-order law holds for commutative p-Drazin invertible elements  $a, b$  in a Banach algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  with identity 1. More precisely,  $(ab)^\dagger = b^\dagger a^\dagger = a^\dagger b^\dagger$  for commutative p-Drazin invertible elements  $a$  and  $b$  in  $\mathcal{A}$ . However, Under the conditions  $a^2 b = a b a$  and  $b^2 a = b a b$ ,  $(ab)^\dagger$  may not be equal to  $b^\dagger a^\dagger$ . For instance, take  $a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  in the ring of  $2 \times 2$  matrices. It follows that  $(ab)^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  while  $b^\dagger a^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

The following theorem presents a necessary and sufficient condition for the existence of  $(a + b)^\dagger$  in a Banach algebra.

**Theorem 2.10.** Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^{pD}$  with  $a^2 b = a b a$  and  $b^2 a = b a b$ . Then  $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{pD}$  and only if  $1 + a^\dagger b \in \mathcal{A}^{pD}$ . In this case, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (a + b)^\dagger &= a^\dagger (1 + a^\dagger b)^\dagger + a^\Pi b [a^\dagger (1 + a^\dagger b)^\dagger]^2 + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \\ &\quad + b^\Pi a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i + 1) (b^\dagger)^{i+2} (-a)^i a^\Pi, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(1 + a^\dagger b)^\dagger = a^\Pi + a^2 a^\dagger (a + b)^\dagger.$$

*Proof.* Assume  $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{pD}$ . Write  $1 + a^\dagger b = a_1 + b_1$  with  $a_1 = a^\Pi$  and  $b_1 = a^\dagger(a + b)$ .

Lemma 2.2 implies  $(a^\dagger)^2(a + b) = a^\dagger(a + b)a^\dagger$ ,  $(a + b)^2 a^\dagger = (a + b)a^\dagger(a + b)$  and  $a_1 b_1 = b_1 a_1 = 0$ . Since  $(a^\dagger)^\dagger = a^2 a^\dagger$ , it follows from Theorem 2.8 that  $b_1$  is p-Drazin invertible and

$$(b_1)^\dagger = [a^\dagger(a+b)]^\dagger = a^2 a^\dagger (a+b)^\dagger.$$

According to [8, Theorem 2.5], it follows that  $(1 + a^\dagger b)^\dagger = a^\Pi + a^2 a^\dagger (a+b)^\dagger$ . Conversely, let  $\xi = 1 + a^\dagger b$  be p-Drazin invertible and

$$\begin{aligned} x &= a^\dagger \xi^\dagger + a^\Pi b (a^\dagger \xi^\dagger)^2 + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi + b^\Pi a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (b^\dagger)^{i+2} (-a)^i a^\Pi \\ &= x_1 + x_2, \end{aligned}$$

where  $x_1 = a^\dagger \xi^\dagger + a^\Pi b (a^\dagger \xi^\dagger)^2$  and  $x_2 = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi + b^\Pi a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (b^\dagger)^{i+2} (-a)^i a^\Pi$ .

We prove  $x$  is the p-Drazin inverse of  $a+b$  by three steps.

**Step 1.** We prove that  $(a+b)x = x(a+b)$ .

First, we give the following equalities.

By Lemma 2.3 and Corollary 2.5, it follows that  $(a+b)a^\Pi b(a^\dagger)^2 = 0$  and hence  $(a+b)a^\Pi b(a^\dagger \xi^\dagger)^2 = 0$ .

Similarly,  $(a+b)b^\Pi a(b^\dagger)^2 = 0$ , so  $(a+b)b^\Pi a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (b^\dagger)^{i+2} (-a)^i a^\Pi = 0$ .

Let  $y_1 = (a+b)a^\dagger \xi^\dagger$  and  $y_2 = (a+b) \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} (a+b)x &= (a+b) \left[ a^\dagger \xi^\dagger + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \right] \\ &= y_1 + y_2. \end{aligned}$$

To prove  $x(a+b) = y_1 + y_2$ , we check that  $x_1(a+b) = y_1$  and  $x_2(a+b) = y_2$ .

By Lemma 2.3, we have  $a^\dagger \xi^\dagger = \xi^\dagger a^\dagger$  and hence

$$\begin{aligned} x_1(a+b) &= [a^\dagger \xi^\dagger + a^\Pi b (a^\dagger \xi^\dagger)^2] (a+b) \\ &\stackrel{(2.5)}{=} a^\dagger (a+b) \xi^\dagger + a^\Pi b (a^\dagger)^2 (a+b) (\xi^\dagger)^2 \\ &= a^\dagger (a+b) \xi^\dagger + (a^\Pi b a^\dagger + a^\Pi b a^\dagger a^\dagger b) (\xi^\dagger)^2 \\ &= a^\dagger (a+b) \xi^\dagger + a^\Pi b a^\dagger (\xi^\dagger)^2 \\ &= a^\dagger (a+b) \xi^\dagger + a^\Pi b a^\dagger \xi^\dagger \\ &= y_1. \end{aligned}$$

According to  $b^\dagger a^\Pi b = b^\dagger (1 - a a^\dagger) b = b b^\dagger - (b^\dagger a^\dagger) b a = b b^\dagger - b b^\dagger a^\dagger a = b b^\dagger a^\Pi$ , (2.12) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_2(a + b) &= \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi + b^\Pi a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (b^\dagger)^{i+2} (-a)^i a^\Pi \right] (a + b) \\
 &= - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^{i+1} a^\Pi + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi b \\
 &\quad - b^\Pi a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (b^\dagger)^{i+2} (-a)^{i+1} a^\Pi + b^\Pi a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (b^\dagger)^{i+2} (-a)^i a^\Pi b \\
 &= - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^{i+1} a^\Pi + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} b^\dagger (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi b - b^\Pi a b^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (-b^\dagger a)^{i+1} a^\Pi \\
 &\quad + b^\Pi a b^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (-b^\dagger a)^i b^\dagger a^\Pi b \\
 &= - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^{i+1} a^\Pi + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i b^\dagger a^\Pi b - b^\Pi a b^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (-b^\dagger a)^{i+1} a^\Pi \\
 &\quad + b^\Pi a b^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (-b^\dagger a)^i b b^\dagger a^\Pi \\
 &= - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^{i+1} a^\Pi + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i b b^\dagger a^\Pi - b^\Pi a b^\dagger \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &\quad + b^\Pi a b^\dagger b b^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &= - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^{i+1} a^\Pi + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i b b^\dagger a^\Pi - b^\Pi a b^\dagger \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &\quad + b^\Pi a b^\dagger \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi + b^\Pi a b^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &= - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^{i+1} a^\Pi + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i b b^\dagger a^\Pi + a b^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &\quad - b b^\dagger a b^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &= - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^{i+1} a^\Pi + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i b b^\dagger a^\Pi + a b^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &\quad - b^\dagger a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= ab^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi + bb^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi \\
&= a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi + b \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \\
&= y_2.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $x(a+b) = (a+b)x$ .

**Step 2.** We have  $x(a+b)x = x$ . Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned}
x(a+b)x &= x(a+b)[a^\dagger \xi^\dagger + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi] \\
&= (a+b)[a^\dagger \xi^\dagger + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi][a^\dagger \xi^\dagger + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi] \\
&= (a+b)(a^\dagger \xi^\dagger)^2 + (a+b)a^\dagger \xi^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \\
&\quad + (a+b) \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \\
&= z_1 + z_2 + z_3,
\end{aligned}$$

where  $z_1 = (a+b)(a^\dagger \xi^\dagger)^2$ ,  $z_2 = (a+b)a^\dagger \xi^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi$  and

$$z_3 = (a+b) \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi.$$

Further, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
z_1 &= (a+b)(a^\dagger \xi^\dagger)^2 = (a\xi + a^\Pi b)(a^\dagger \xi^\dagger)^2 \\
&= a\xi(a^\dagger \xi^\dagger)^2 + a^\Pi b(a^\dagger \xi^\dagger)^2 \\
&\stackrel{(2.5)}{=} a^\dagger \xi^\dagger + a^\Pi b(a^\dagger \xi^\dagger)^2
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
z_2 &= (a+b)a^\dagger \xi^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \\
&= \xi^\dagger a a^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi + b \xi^\dagger a^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi
\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \xi^\ddagger \sum_{i=0}^\infty a^\ddagger a b^\ddagger (-b^\ddagger a)^i a^\Pi + b \xi^\ddagger \sum_{i=0}^\infty (a^\ddagger)^2 a b^\ddagger (-b^\ddagger a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &\stackrel{(2.7)}{=} -\xi^\ddagger \sum_{i=0}^\infty a^\ddagger (-ab^\ddagger)^{i+1} a^\Pi - b \xi^\ddagger \sum_{i=0}^\infty (a^\ddagger)^2 (-ab^\ddagger)^{i+1} a^\Pi \\
 &\stackrel{(2.3)}{=} -\xi^\ddagger \sum_{i=0}^\infty (-ab^\ddagger)^{i+1} a^\ddagger a^\Pi - b \xi^\ddagger \sum_{i=0}^\infty (-ab^\ddagger)^{i+1} (a^\ddagger)^2 a^\Pi \\
 &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Next, we show that  $z_3 = \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi + b^\Pi a \sum_{i=0}^\infty (i+1)(b^\ddagger)^{i+2} (-a)^i a^\Pi$ . (2.13)

One can see that

$$\begin{aligned}
 z_3 &= (a+b) \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &= b \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi + a \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &= [bb^\ddagger a^\Pi + \sum_{i=1}^\infty (-b^\ddagger a)^i a^\Pi] \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi + a \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &= bb^\ddagger \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi - bb^\ddagger a a^\ddagger \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi + \sum_{i=1}^\infty (-b^\ddagger a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &\quad + a \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi - bb^\ddagger a a^\ddagger \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi + \sum_{i=1}^\infty (-b^\ddagger a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &\quad + a \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi + bb^\ddagger \sum_{i=0}^\infty (-ab^\ddagger)^{i+1} a^\ddagger a^\Pi + \sum_{i=1}^\infty (-b^\ddagger a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &\quad + a \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^\infty (b^\ddagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \\
&\quad + a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \\
&= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi + d_1 + d_2,
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$d_1 = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi$$

and

$$d_2 = a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi.$$

Noting equality (2.13). We only need to prove

$$d_1 + d_2 = b^\Pi a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (b^\dagger)^{i+2} (-a)^i a^\Pi.$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned}
&b^\Pi a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (b^\dagger)^{i+2} (-a)^i a^\Pi \\
&= a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (b^\dagger)^{i+2} (-a)^i a^\Pi - bb^\dagger a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (b^\dagger)^{i+2} (-a)^i a^\Pi.
\end{aligned}$$

We next prove that

$$d_1 = -bb^\dagger a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (b^\dagger)^{i+2} (-a)^i a^\Pi \text{ and } d_2 = a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (b^\dagger)^{i+2} (-a)^i a^\Pi.$$

As  $bb^\dagger$  commutes with  $b^\dagger a$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
d_1 &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \stackrel{(2.11)}{=} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (-bb^\dagger b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i b^\dagger a^\Pi \\
&= bb^\dagger \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i b^\dagger a^\Pi = -bb^\dagger \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^{i-1} b^\dagger a a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i b^\dagger a^\Pi \\
&\stackrel{(2.4)}{=} -bb^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i (b^\dagger a a^\Pi) b^\dagger a^\Pi = -bb^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i b^\dagger (b^\dagger a a^\Pi) a^\Pi \\
&= -bb^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i (b^\dagger)^2 a a^\Pi \stackrel{(2.4)}{=} -bb^\dagger (b^\dagger)^2 a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\stackrel{(2.4)}{=} -b(b^\dagger)^2 a b^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi \stackrel{(2.4)}{=} -bb^\dagger a (b^\dagger)^2 \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &\stackrel{(2.11)}{=} -bb^\dagger a (b^\dagger)^2 \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (b^\dagger)^i (-a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &= -bb^\dagger a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (b^\dagger)^{i+2} (-a)^i a^\Pi.
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
 d_2 &= a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi \stackrel{(2.11)}{=} a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i b^\dagger a^\Pi \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i b^\dagger a^\Pi \\
 &\stackrel{(2.4)}{=} a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i b^\dagger a^\Pi b^\dagger a^\Pi \stackrel{(2.4)}{=} a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i b^\dagger b^\dagger a^\Pi a^\Pi \\
 &= a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i (b^\dagger)^2 a^\Pi \stackrel{(2.4)}{=} a (b^\dagger)^2 \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &= a (b^\dagger)^2 \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi \stackrel{(2.11)}{=} a (b^\dagger)^2 \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (b^\dagger)^i (-a)^i a^\Pi \\
 &= a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (b^\dagger)^{i+2} (-a)^i a^\Pi.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $z_3 = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi + b^\Pi a \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (i+1) (b^\dagger)^{i+2} (-a)^i a^\Pi.$

**Step 3.** We show that  $(a + b)^k - (a + b)^{k+1}x \in J(\mathcal{A})$  for some integer  $k \geq 1$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(a + b) - (a + b)^2 x \\
 &= (a + b) - [a^\dagger \xi^\dagger + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi] (a + b)^2 \\
 &\stackrel{(2.5)}{=} (a + b) - \xi^\dagger a^\dagger (a + b)^2 - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi (a + b)^2 \\
 &= (a + b) - \xi^\dagger a (a^\dagger (a + b))^2 - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi (a^2 + ab + ba + b^2) \\
 &= a\xi + a^\Pi b - \xi^\dagger a (\xi - a^\Pi)^2 - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi a^2 - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi ab \\
 &\quad - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi ba - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^\dagger)^{i+1} (-a)^i a^\Pi b^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\stackrel{(2.11)}{=} a\xi + a^\Pi b - \xi^\dagger a(\xi^2 - a^\Pi) + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^{i+1} a a^\Pi + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^{i+1} a^\Pi b \\
&\quad - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i b b^\dagger a a^\Pi - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} b^\dagger (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi b^2 \\
&= a\xi + a^\Pi b - \xi^\dagger a(\xi^2 - a^\Pi) - b b^\dagger a a^\Pi + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^{i+1} a^\Pi b \\
&\quad - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} b^\dagger (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi b^2 \\
&\stackrel{(2.4)}{=} a\xi + a^\Pi b - \xi^\dagger a(\xi^2 - a^\Pi) - b b^\dagger a a^\Pi + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^{i+1} a^\Pi b \\
&\quad - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i b^\dagger a^\Pi b^2 \\
&\stackrel{(2.12)}{=} a\xi + a^\Pi b - \xi^\dagger a(\xi^2 - a^\Pi) - b b^\dagger a a^\Pi + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^{i+1} a^\Pi b \\
&\quad - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i b b^\dagger a^\Pi b \\
&\stackrel{(2.4)}{=} a\xi + a^\Pi b - \xi^\dagger a(\xi^2 - a^\Pi) - b b^\dagger a a^\Pi + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^{i+1} a^\Pi b \\
&\quad - \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} b b^\dagger (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi b \\
&= a\xi + a^\Pi b - \xi^\dagger a \xi^2 + \xi^\dagger a a^\Pi - b b^\dagger a a^\Pi - b b^\dagger a^\Pi b \\
&= (a\xi - \xi^\dagger a \xi^2) + \xi^\dagger a a^\Pi + (a^\Pi b - b b^\dagger a^\Pi b) - b b^\dagger a a^\Pi \\
&= a\xi \xi^\Pi + \xi^\dagger a a^\Pi + b^\Pi a^\Pi b - b b^\dagger a a^\Pi.
\end{aligned}$$

Next, we show  $[(a+b) - (a+b)^2 x]^k \in J(\mathcal{A})$ .

Firstly, We prove  $(a\xi \xi^\Pi + \xi^\dagger a a^\Pi)^{m_1} \in J(\mathcal{A})$  for some integer  $m_1 \geq 1$ .

By Lemma 2.3, it follows that  $(a\xi \xi^\Pi)^{k_1} = a^{k_1} (\xi \xi^\Pi)^{k_1} \in J(\mathcal{A})$  and  $(\xi^\dagger a a^\Pi)^{k_2} = (\xi^\dagger)^{k_2} (a a^\Pi)^{k_2} \in J(\mathcal{A})$ .

Again, Lemma 2.3 guarantees that  $a\xi \xi^\Pi$  commutes with  $\xi^\dagger a a^\Pi$ . Take  $m_1 = k_1 + k_2$ , it follows from Lemma 2.7 (2) that  $(a\xi \xi^\Pi + \xi^\dagger a a^\Pi)^{m_1} = a^{k_1} (\xi \xi^\Pi)^{k_1} + (\xi^\dagger)^{k_2} (a a^\Pi)^{k_2} \in J(\mathcal{A})$ .

Secondly, we present  $(b^\Pi a^\Pi b - b b^\dagger a a^\Pi)^{m_2} \in J(\mathcal{A})$  for some  $m_2 \geq 1$ .

By induction, we obtain  $(b^\Pi a^\Pi b)^{k_3} = b^\Pi a^\Pi (b b^\dagger)^{k_3-1} a^\Pi b \in J(\mathcal{A})$  and  $(b b^\dagger a a^\Pi)^{k_4} = b b^\dagger (a a^\Pi)^{k_4} \in J(\mathcal{A})$ . One can see that

$$(b b^\dagger a a^\Pi)^2 b^\Pi a^\Pi b = b b^\dagger a a^\Pi b^\Pi a^\Pi b b b^\dagger a a^\Pi = 0$$

and

$$(b^\Pi a^\Pi b b b^\dagger a a^\Pi)^2 = b^\Pi a^\Pi b (b b^\dagger a a^\Pi) b^\Pi a^\Pi b = 0.$$

It follows from Lemma 2.6 (2) that

$$\begin{aligned} & (b^\Pi a^\Pi b - bb^\dagger aa^\Pi)^{m_2} \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{m_2-1} C_{m_2-1}^i [(b^\Pi a^\Pi b)^{m_2-i} (-bb^\dagger aa^\Pi)^i + (-bb^\dagger aa^\Pi)^{m_2-i} (b^\Pi a^\Pi b)^i] \in J(\mathcal{A}) \end{aligned}$$

for  $m_2 = k_3 + k_4$ .

Pose  $a_1 = a\xi\xi^\Pi + \xi^\dagger aa^\Pi$  and  $a_2 = b^\Pi a^\Pi b - bb^\dagger aa^\Pi$ . By virtue of Lemma 2.3 and Corollary 2.5, it is straight forward to check

$$(a_1)^2 a_2 = a_1 a_2 a_1 \text{ and } (a_2)^2 a_1 = a_2 a_1 a_2.$$

Hence, there exists  $k = m_1 + m_2$  such that

$$(a_1 + a_2)^k = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} C_{k-1}^i (a_1^{k-i} a_2^i + a_2^{k-i} a_1^i) \in J(\mathcal{A}),$$

that is  $(a + b)^k - (a + b)^{k+1}x = [(a + b) - (a + b)^2x]^k = (a_1 + a_2)^k \in J(\mathcal{A})$

This completes the proof. ■

**Corollary 2.11.** [8, Theorem 2.7]. *If  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^{pD}$  and  $ab = ba$ , then  $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{pD}$  if and only if  $1 + a^\dagger b \in \mathcal{A}^{pD}$ . In this case, we have*

$$(a + b)^\dagger = (1 + a^\dagger b)^\dagger a^\dagger + b^\dagger \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-b^\dagger a)^i a^\Pi,$$

and

$$(1 + a^\dagger b)^\dagger = a^\Pi + a^2 a^\dagger (a + b)^\dagger.$$

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