

WEAKLY  $g$ -INVERTIBLE OPERATORS IN  
BANACH SPACES AND THEIR  
MOORE-PENROSE INVERSE

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we define a new class of linear operators called class of weakly  $g$ -invertible operators which contains the usual class of  $g$ -invertible operators. For such operators, we define their generalized inverse according to a fixed algebraical decomposition. Finally, we prove the existence and the unicity of the Moore-Penrose inverse of weakly  $g$ -invertible operators. Our result generalize the result established in [3] for  $g$ -invertible operators.

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## 1. Weakly $g$ -Invertible Operators

### 1.1. $g$ -Invertible Operators

Let  $A$  be a closed operator on a Banach space  $X$ . Let  $\mathcal{D}(A)$ ,  $R(A)$  and  $N(A)$

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denote respectively, the domain of  $A$ , the range of  $A$  and the null space of  $A$ .

**Definition 1.** The operator  $A$  is said to be g-invertible if there exists a bounded operator  $B$  from  $X$  into  $\mathcal{D}(A)$  such that  $ABA = A$  and  $BAB = B$ .

**Remark 2.** (see [1], [4]) 1)  $A$  is g-invertible if and only if  $N(A)$  and  $R(A)$  are closed in  $X$  and admit respectively a topological complement in  $X$ . In particular, if  $X = H$  is a Hilbert space, then  $A$  is g-invertible if and only if  $R(A)$  is closed in  $X$ .

2) Set  $P = AB$  and  $Q = BA$ . Then  $P$  and  $Q$  are two bounded projections satisfying the conditions  $R(P) = R(A)$  and  $N(Q) = N(A)$ .

3) If there exists a bounded operator  $B$  from  $X$  into  $\mathcal{D}(A)$  such that  $ABA = A$ , then  $A$  is g-invertible and  $S = BAB$  is a generalized inverse of  $A$ .

**Definition 3.** (see [3])  $A$  is said to be topologically decomposable if the following conditions hold:  $R(A)$  is closed in  $X$ , and there exists two closed subspaces  $E$  and  $F$  of  $X$  such that  $X = N(A) \oplus E$  and  $X = R(A) \oplus F$ . In this case, we say that the pair  $(E, F)$  is a topological decomposition of  $A$ .

## 1.2. Weakly g-Invertible Operators

Let  $A$  be a linear operator (not necessarily closed) defined on a linear subspace  $\mathcal{D}(A)$  of a Banach space  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$  with values in  $X$ . We will define now the class of weakly g-invertible operators which contains the usual class of g-invertible operators.

**Definition 4.** We say that  $A$  is weakly g-invertible (or algebraically decomposable) if there exists two subspaces  $E$  and  $F$  of  $X$  (not necessarily closed) such that  $X = N(A) \oplus E$  and  $X = R(A) \oplus F$ . In this case, we say that the pair  $(E, F)$  is an algebraical decomposition of  $A$  or  $A$  is  $(E, F)$ -weakly g-invertible.

It is clear that every g-invertible operator  $A$  is weakly g-invertible.

## 1.3. Generalized Inverse of a Weakly g-Invertible Operator

Assume now that  $A$  is a weakly g-invertible operator. Let  $(E, F)$  be an algebraical decomposition of  $A$ . According to [2], there exists a norm  $\|\cdot\|_{R(A)}$  on  $R(A)$  such that  $(R(A), \|\cdot\|_{R(A)})$  is continuously embedded in  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ . Let  $\|\cdot\|_1$  the norm defined on  $X$  by:  $\|x\|_1 = \|x_1\|_{R(A)} + \|x_2\|_X$ , where  $x_1 \in R(A)$  and  $x_2 \in F$ . Such a decomposition is unique since algebraically  $X = R(A) \oplus F$ . So the norm  $\|\cdot\|_1$  is well defined.

Let us remark that the norm  $\|\cdot\|_1$  is finer than  $\|\cdot\|_X$  and  $(X, \|\cdot\|_1)$  is not

necessarily a Banach space. But if  $A$  and  $F$  are closed in  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ , then  $(X, \|\cdot\|_1)$  becomes a Banach space (see [2]).

**Definition 5.** Let  $B$  be an operator acting from  $X$  into  $\mathcal{D}(A)$ . We say that  $B$  is a generalized inverse of  $A$  according to the algebraical decomposition  $(E, F)$  if the following conditions are satisfied:

- 1)  $B$  is closed from  $(X, \|\cdot\|_1)$  into  $(\mathcal{D}(A), \|\cdot\|_X)$ ;
- 2)  $ABA = A$  and  $BAB = B$ .

**Remark 6.** 1) Even if  $A$  is a weakly g-invertible,  $R(A)$  is not necessarily closed in  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ .

2) if  $A$  and  $F$  are closed in  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ , then the norms  $\|\cdot\|_X$  and  $\|\cdot\|_1$  are equivalent. Therefore, if  $B$  is a generalized inverse of  $A$  according to the decomposition  $(E, F)$ , then  $B$  is a generalized inverse of  $A$ . Thus,  $A$  is g-invertible. This implies that  $R(A)$  is closed in  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$  by ([1],[4]).

3) if  $A$  is g-invertible, then for every topological decomposition  $(E, F)$  of  $A$  the following conditions are equivalent:

- i)  $B$  is a generalized inverse of  $A$ ;
- ii)  $B$  is a generalized inverse of  $A$  according to the decomposition  $(E, F)$ .

Now we can prove the main result of our paper.

## 2. Existence and Unicity of the Moore-Penrose Inverse of Weakly g-Invertible Operators

**Theorem 7.** Let  $A$  be a  $(E, F)$ -weakly g-invertible operator. Then there exists an unique generalized inverse of  $A$  according to the decomposition  $(E, F)$  satisfying the conditions:  $R(BA) = E \cap \mathcal{D}(A)$  and  $N(AB) = F$ . We call it the Moore-Penrose inverse of  $A$  according to the decomposition  $(E, F)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\hat{A} = A | E \cap \mathcal{D}(A)$  the restriction of  $A$  to  $E \cap \mathcal{D}(A)$ . Then  $\hat{A}$  is one-to-one and  $R(\hat{A}) = R(A)$ . Let  $B$  the operator defined from  $X$  into  $\mathcal{D}(A)$  by:  $B = \hat{A}^{-1}$  on  $R(A)$  and  $B = 0$  on  $F$ . Then  $B$  is closed from  $(X, \|\cdot\|_1)$  into  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ . Indeed, let  $(x_n)_n$  a sequence of elements of  $X$ ,  $x, y$  two elements of  $X$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $(X, \|\cdot\|_1)$  and  $Bx_n \rightarrow y$  in  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ . Set  $y_n = Bx_n$ . Since  $X = R(A) \oplus F$ , then  $x_n = u'_n + v'_n$  with  $u'_n \in R(A)$  and  $v'_n \in F$ . On the other hand, there exists an unique  $u_n \in E \cap \mathcal{D}(A)$  such that  $u'_n = \hat{A}u_n = Au_n$ . Therefore, using the fact that  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $(X, \|\cdot\|_1)$ , we deduce that  $u'_n \rightarrow Au$  in  $(R(A), \|\cdot\|_{R(A)})$ . Hence, by the definition of  $\|\cdot\|_{R(A)}$  (see [2])  $Bu'_n \rightarrow B\hat{A}u = u$  in  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ . On the other hand, there exists an unique  $u_n \in E \cap \mathcal{D}(A)$  such that  $u'_n = \hat{A}u_n = Au_n$ . It follows then that  $u_n \rightarrow u$  in  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ . In this case,

$x_n = \hat{A}u_n + v'_n$ . Thus,  $y_n = Bx_n = B\hat{A}u_n + Bv'_n = u_n$ . Therefore,  $u_n \rightarrow y$  in  $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ . Hence,  $u = y$ . Consequently,  $Bx = B\hat{A}u + Bv' = u = y$ . This implies that  $B$  is closed from  $(X, \|\cdot\|_1)$  into  $(\mathcal{D}(A), \|\cdot\|_X)$ .

Let  $x \in \mathcal{D}(A)$ . Then there exists  $x_1 \in E \cap \mathcal{D}(A)$  such that  $Ax = Ax_1$ . Therefore,  $ABAx = AB\hat{A}x_1 = Ax_1 = Ax$ . Hence,  $ABA = A$ .

Let now  $x \in X = R(A) \oplus F$ . Then  $\exists!(u, v') \in (E \cap \mathcal{D}(A)) \times F$  such that  $x = Au + v'$ . Using the definition of  $B$ , we deduce that  $BABx = BAu = BAu + Bv' = Bx$ . This implies that  $B$  is a generalized inverse of  $A$  according to the decomposition  $(E, F)$ .

Let us prove now that  $R(BA) = E \cap \mathcal{D}(A)$  and  $N(AB) = F$ .

Let  $x \in N(AB)$ . Then  $Bx \in N(A) \cap E = \{0\}$  which implies that  $x \in N(B)$ . Thus,  $N(AB) = N(B)$ . On the other hand,  $N(B) = F$ . Indeed, we have  $F \subset N(B)$  and if  $x \in N(B)$ , then  $\exists u \in E \cap \mathcal{D}(A)$  and  $v' \in F$  such that  $x = Au + v'$ . Consequently,  $u = Bx = 0$ . Therefore,  $x = v' \in F$ . Hence,  $N(AB) = N(B) = F$ .

To prove that  $R(BA) = E \cap \mathcal{D}(A)$  it suffices to remark that  $R(BA) \subset R(B) \subset E \cap \mathcal{D}(A)$  and that if  $x \in E \cap \mathcal{D}(A)$  then  $BAx = B\hat{A}x = x$ . So, we have proved that  $R(BA) = E \cap \mathcal{D}(A)$  and  $N(AB) = F$ .

To conclude the proof, assume that there exists another generalized inverse  $B'$  of  $A$  according to the decomposition  $(E, F)$  and satisfying the conditions:  $R(B'A) = E \cap \mathcal{D}(A)$  and  $N(AB') = F$ . Let  $y \in R(A)$ . Then there exists a unique  $u \in \mathcal{D}(A) \cap E$  such that  $y = \hat{A}u = Au$ . Thus,  $By = u$  and  $B'y = B'Au \in R(B'A) = E \cap \mathcal{D}(A)$ . This implies that  $AB'y = AB'Au = Au = y$ . Consequently,  $u - B'y \in N(A) \cap E = \{0\}$ . Hence,  $B = B'$  on  $R(A)$ .

Let now  $x \in F$ . Since  $F = N(AB') = R(I - AB')$ , then  $\exists u \in X$  such that  $u - AB'u = x$ . Therefore,  $B'x = B'u - B'AB'u = 0$ . Thus,  $B = B'$  on  $F$ .  $\square$

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