

**GENERALIZATION OF m -PARTIAL ISOMETRIES
ON A HILBERT SPACE**

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Abstract: In this paper we introduce a generalization of the class of m -partial isometries operators recently studied in [24]. A bounded linear operator T on a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} is called an m - partial isometry of order q for a positive integers m and q , if

$$T^q \left(T^{*m} T^m - \binom{m}{1} T^{*(m-1)} T^{m-1} + \binom{m}{2} T^{*(m-2)} T^{m-2} - \dots + (-1)^m I \right) = 0.$$

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1. Introduction and Preliminaries Results

Let \mathcal{H} denotes on a complex a separable infinite dimensional Hilbert space and $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ the algebra of bounded linear operators on \mathcal{H} into itself. For $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, T^* denotes the adjoint of T , $\mathcal{R}(T)$ and $\mathcal{N}(T)$ denote the range and the null-space of T , respectively, $I = I_{\mathcal{H}}$ being the identity operator.

One of the most important subclasses, of the algebra of all bounded linear operators acting on a Hilbert space, the class of partial isometries operators. The operator theory of partial isometries has been studied by several authors ([12], [18]).

An operator $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is said to be self-adjoint if $T^* = T$, isometry if $T^*T = I$ and partial isometry if $TT^*T = T$. In recent years this classes has been generalized, in some sense, to the larger sets of operators so-called m -self-adjoint, m -isometry and m -partial isometry.

An operator $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is called m -self-adjoint for some integer $m \geq 1$ if

$$\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^{*k} T^{m-k} = 0 \quad (1.1)$$

and it is called m -isometry for some integer $m \geq 1$ if

$$\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^{*m-k} T^{m-k} = 0, \quad (1.2)$$

where $\binom{m}{k}$ be the binomial coefficient. In [19], J.W.Helton initiated the study of operator T which satisfy the identity (1.1) and in [1], J. Agler and M.Stankus studied operator T which satisfy (1.2). The development of the theory of m -self-adjoint operators (and the related classes of m -isometries was motivated largely by striking connections with differential equations.

A simple manipulation proves that (1.2) is equivalent to

$$\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} \|T^{m-k}x\|^2 \quad (1.3)$$

for all $x \in \mathcal{H}$. Evidently, an 1-self-adjoint operator (resp. a 1-isometric operator) is m -self-adjoint (resp. m -isometric) for all integers $m \geq 1$. Indeed the class of m -self-adjoint operators (resp. m -isometric operators) is a generalization of the class of self-adjoint operators (resp. isometric operators). Major work on m -isometries has been done in a long paper consisting of three parts by Agler and Stankus ([1, 2, 3]) and have since then attracted the attention of several other authors (see for example [6], [7], [8], [10], [11], [13], [14], [23]). More recently a generalization of these operators to Banach spaces has been studied in the paper of Botelho [9], Sid Ahmed [22] , Bayart [4], Bermudez et al. [5], Hoffmann et al. [20] and P.P. Duggal [15]. The equation (1.3) was used to define m -isometries on a Banach space by Sid Ahmed [22] and by Botelho [9]. Bayart [4] has replaced the exponent 2 in (1.3) by an $p \in [1, \infty)$ and was introduced

the following definition: a bounded linear operator $T : X \rightarrow X$, on a Banach spaces X is an (m, p) -isometry ($m \geq 1$ integer, $p \geq 1$ real) if

$$\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} \|T^{m-k}x\|^p = 0 \quad (x \in X). \tag{1.4}$$

Hoffman et al. [20] considered the above definition with $p > 0$ real and studied the role of the second parameter p and also discussed the case $p = \infty$.

In [24], the authors considered an extension of the notion of partial isometries to m -partial isometries. We say that $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is an m -partial isometry if T satisfies

$$T \Delta_{T, m} = T \sum_{k=0}^m (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^{*m-k} T^{m-k} = 0, \tag{1.5}$$

where $\Delta_{T, m}$ is obtained formally from the binomial expansion of $\Delta_{T, m} = (T^*T - I)^m$ by understanding $(T^*T)^{m-k} = T^{*m-k}T^{m-k}$. The case when $m = 1$ is the partial isometries class. The class of m -partial isometries properly contains class of m -isometries.

Agler and Stankus proved that if T is an m -isometry, then $\Delta_{T, m-1} \geq 0$ (Proposition 1.5, [1]).

In the present paper we will give a generalization of m -partial isometries and m -isometries to (m, q) -partial isometries on Hilbert spaces. More precisely we will study the bounded linear operators T on a complex Hilbert space \mathcal{H} that satisfy the identity

$$T^q \left(T^{*m} T^m - \binom{m}{1} T^{*m-1} T^{m-1} + \dots + (-1)^m I \right) = 0. \tag{1.6}$$

We will define an operator satisfying (1.6) to be an m -partial isometry of order q on \mathcal{H} . The case when $q = m = 1$, represent the partial isometries class. If T is injective and it verifies (1.6) is called an m -isometry that is deeply studied by J. Agler and M. Stankus in [1]. If $q = 1$, $(m, 1)$ -partial isometry becomes m -partial isometry.

The contents of the paper are the following. In Section 1 we set up notation and terminology. Furthermore, we collect some facts about m -isometries. In Section 2, we will study some properties of (m, q) -partial isometries operators. Exactly we will give conditions under which:

- an operator T is (m, q) -partial isometry.
- (m, q) -partial isometry operator it becomes m -partial isometry.

- (m, q) -partial isometry operator it becomes partial isometry.
- (m, q) -partial isometry operator it becomes $(m + 1, q)$ -partial isometry.
- the product and sum of two (m, q) -partial isometries operators are (m, q) -partial isometry.
- a power of (m, q) -partial isometry is an (m, q) -partial isometry.
- (m, q) -partial isometry operator has the single valued extension property.

In order to answer these questions we will briefly review some basic facts about m -isometries.

Definition 1.1. A subspace \mathcal{M} of \mathcal{H} is called

1. invariant for T or T -invariant if $T(\mathcal{M}) \subset \mathcal{M}$.
2. a reducing subspace for T if both \mathcal{M} and \mathcal{M}^\perp are T -invariant or equivalently if \mathcal{M} is invariant for both T and T^* .

Theorem 1.1. ([1]) Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be an m -isometry for some $m \geq 1$. Then

$$T^{*n}T^n = \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m-1} n^{(k)} \beta_k(T) \tag{1.7}$$

where

$$\beta_k(T) = \frac{1}{k!} \sum_{0 \leq j \leq k} (-1)^{k-j} \binom{k}{j} T^{*j}T^j$$

and

$$n^{(k)} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } n = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } n > 0 \text{ and } k > n \\ \binom{n}{k} k! & \text{if } n > 0 \text{ and } k \leq n. \end{cases}$$

Proposition 1.1. ([4, Theorem 2.2]) and [22, Proposition 2.3]). An (m, p) -isometry $T \in \mathcal{B}(X)$ is an $(m + 1, p)$ -isometry.

Theorem 1.2. ([20], Proposition 2.1) Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(X)$ be an (m, p) -isometry such that for all $x \in X$ there exists a real number $C(x) > 0$ such that

$$\|T^n(x)\| \leq C(x) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Then T is an isometry.

2. m -Partial Isometries of Order q

Definition 2.1. An operator $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is said to be an (m, q) -partial isometry or m -partial isometry of order q if and only if T satisfies the identity

$$T^q \left(T^{*m} T^m - \binom{m}{1} T^{*m-1} T^{m-1} + \dots - \dots + (-1)^m I \right) = 0. \tag{2.1}$$

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

$$T^q (T^{*2} T^2 - 2T^* T + I) = 0 \tag{2.2}$$

or

$$T^q (T^{*3} T^3 - 3T^{*2} T^2 + 3T^* T - I) = 0 \tag{2.3}$$

- Remark 2.1.**
1. $(1, 1)$ -partial isometry operator is an partial isometry.
 2. $(m, 1)$ -partial isometry operator is an m -partial isometry.
 3. $(1, q)$ -partial isometry is an partial isometry of order q i.e., $T^q T^* T = T^q$.
 4. Every m -partial isometry is an (m, q) -partial isometry.
 5. Every (m, q) -partial isometry is an $(m, q + 1)$ -partial isometry.

The following example shows that there exists an operator which is (m, q) -partial isometry but not $(m, 1)$ -partial isometry.

Example 2.1. Let $T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{C}^3)$. A simple computation shows that T is a $(2, 2)$ -partial isometry but not a $(2, 1)$ -partial isometry.

Example 2.2. We now consider [24, Theorem 4.3]. Let us fix an orthonormal basis $(e_n)_{n \geq 1}$ of \mathcal{H} . For a sequence of complex numbers $(\omega_n)_{n \geq 1}$, the associated weighted operator on \mathcal{H} with

$$T e_n = \omega_n e_{n+1} \quad \text{for all } n \geq 1.$$

It is well known that T is bounded operator if and only if the weighted sequence $(\omega_n)_{n \geq 1}$ is bounded. We assume that T is bounded weighted shift operator.

Since $Te_n = \omega_n e_{n+1}$ for all $n \geq 1$, we see that $T^k e_n = \left(\prod_{n \leq j \leq k+n-1} \omega_j \right) e_{n+k}$.

Consequently

$$T^{*k} e_n = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } n \leq k \\ \left(\prod_{n-k \leq j \leq n-1} \overline{\omega_j} \right) e_{n-k} & \text{if } n > k + 1. \end{cases}$$

Therefore

$$T^{*k} T^k e_n = \left(\prod_{n \leq j \leq k+n-1} |\omega_j|^2 \right) e_n.$$

T is a (m, q) -partial isometry if and only if for any integer $n \geq 1$

$$\left(\prod_{n \leq j \leq q+n-1} \omega_j \right) \left((-1)^m + \sum_{1 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^{m-k} \binom{m}{k} \left(\prod_{n \leq j \leq k+n-1} |\omega_j|^2 \right) \right) = 0$$

Remark 2.2. If $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ such that $\mathcal{N}(T^q)$ is a reducing subspace for T , then

$$T^{*k} T^k (\mathcal{N}(T^q)^\perp) \subset \mathcal{N}(T^q)^\perp, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, \dots$$

The following theorem characterizes some (m, q) -partial isometries operators

Theorem 2.1. Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ such that $\mathcal{N}(T^q)$ is a reducing subspace for T . Then the following properties are equivalent.

- (1) T is an (m, q) -partial isometry.
- (2)

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

Proof. First, assume that T is an (m, q) -partial isometry. We have that for all $x \in \mathcal{H}$

$$\begin{aligned} & T^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^{*m-k} T^{m-k} T^{*q} x = 0 \\ \implies & \langle T^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^{*m-k} T^{m-k} T^{*q} x, x \rangle = 0 \\ \implies & \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} \|T^{m-k} T^{*q} x\|^2 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Conversely assume that $\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^m \binom{m}{k} \|T^{m-k} T^{*q} x\|^2 = 0$, for all $x \in \mathcal{H}$. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} \|T^{m-k} T^{*q} x\|^2 = 0 \\ \implies & \langle T^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^{*m-k} T^{m-k} T^{*q} x, x \rangle = 0, \forall x \in \mathcal{H} \\ \implies & T^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^{*m-k} T^{m-k} T^{*q} x = 0, \forall x \in \mathcal{H}. \end{aligned}$$

We deduce that

$$T^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^{*m-k} T^{m-k} = 0 \text{ on } \overline{\mathcal{R}(T^{*q})} = \mathcal{N}(T^q)^\perp.$$

As $\mathcal{N}(T^q)$ is a reducing subspace, we have

$$T^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^{*m-k} T^{m-k} = 0 \text{ on } \mathcal{N}(T^q)$$

and hence,

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

□

Corollary 2.1. *Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ such that $\mathcal{N}(T^q)$ is a reducing subspace for T , then the following properties are equivalent*

1. T is an (m, q) -partial isometry.
2. $T|_{\mathcal{N}(T^q)^\perp}$ is an m -isometry.

In the following theorem we show that by imposing certain conditions on (m, q) -partial isometry operator it becomes m -partial isometry.

Theorem 2.2. *If T is an (m, q) -partial isometry such that $\mathcal{N}(T) = \mathcal{N}(T^2)$ then T is an m -partial isometry.*

Proof. By the assumption we have that $\mathcal{N}(T) = \mathcal{N}(T^n)$ for all positive integer n . Hence

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

implies

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

□

Proposition 2.1. *If T is an (m, q) -partial isometry such that T^k is an partial isometry for $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m - 1$ then T^m is a partial isometry for $m \geq q$.*

Proof. Since T is an (m, q) -partial isometry we have

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

Multiplying the above equation from the left by T^m we get

$$T^q \left(T^m T^{*m} T^m + \sum_{1 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^m T^{*m-k} T^{m-k} \right) = 0.$$

Since T^k is a partial isometry for $k = 1, \dots, m - 1$ we deduce that

$$T^q \left(T^m T^{*m} T^m + \sum_{1 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^m \right) = 0.$$

Thus,

$$T^q \left(T^m T^{*m} T^m - T^m \right) = 0$$

or equivalently

$$\left(T^{*m} T^m T^{*m} - T^{*m} \right) T^{*q} = 0$$

Hence,

$$T^m T^{*m} T^m - T^m = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \overline{\mathcal{R}(T^{*q})} = \mathcal{N}(T^q)^\perp.$$

On the other hand, since $m \geq q$,

$$T^m T^{*m} T^m - T^m = 0 \quad \text{on } \mathcal{N}(T^q).$$

□

Proposition 2.2. *Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be an (m, q) -partial isometry such that T^k is a partial isometry for $k = 2, 3, \dots, m$. Then $T^{m+q} = T^{m+q} T^* T$ i.e., T is an $(1, m + q)$ -partial isometry.*

Proof. Using the fact that T is an (m, q) -partial isometry, we get

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

Multiplying the above equation from the left by T^m we get the identity

$$T^q \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m-2} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^m T^{*m-k} T^{m-k} + (-1)^{m-1} m T^m T^* T + (-1)^m T^m \right) = 0.$$

By the assumption we get

$$T^q \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m-2} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^m + (-1)^{m-1} m T^m T^* T + (-1)^m T^m \right) = 0.$$

A calculation shows that $T^{m+q}(I - T^* T) = 0$. Hence, the desired result. □

In the following corollary we show that by imposing certain conditions on (m, q) -partial isometry operator it becomes partial isometry.

Corollary 2.2. *Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be an (m, q) -partial isometry such that T^k is a partial isometry for $k = 2, 3, \dots, m$. If $\mathcal{N}(T) = \mathcal{N}(T^2)$, then T is an partial isometry.*

Proof. It is a consequence of Proposition 2.2 and the fact that $\mathcal{N}(T) = \mathcal{N}(T^n)$ for all positive integer n . □

Theorem 2.3. *Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be an (m, q) -partial isometry such that $\mathcal{N}(T^q)$ is a reducing subspace for T . Assume that there exists a constant $M > 0$ satisfying*

$$\|T^n|_{\mathcal{N}(T^q)^\perp}\| \leq M, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N},$$

then T is a $(1, q)$ - partial isometry.

Proof. If T is an (m, q) -partial isometry, then $T|_{\mathcal{N}(T^q)^\perp}$ is an m -isometry, and by Theorem 1.2 applied to the operator $T|_{\mathcal{N}(T^q)^\perp}$ we have that $T|_{\mathcal{N}(T^q)^\perp}$ is an isometry. In particular Corollary 2.1 gives $T^q T^* T = T^q$. \square

The following example shows that a (m, q) -partial isometry operator need not be a $(m + 1, q)$ -partial isometry and vice versa.

Example 2.3. Let $T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{C}^3)$

and $S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{C}^3)$ then a direct computation shows that

- T is a $(1, q)$ -partial isometry but is not a $(2, 1)$ -partial isometry.
- S is a $(2, q)$ -partial isometry but is not a $(1, 1)$ -partial isometry.

It is well know that every m -self-adjoint(resp. m -isometry) operator is $(m + 1)$ -self-adjoint (resp. $(m + 1)$ -isometry) operator.

In the following theorem we show that by imposing certain conditions on (m, q) -partial isometry operator it becomes $(m + 1, q)$ -partial isometry.

Theorem 2.4. *Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be an (m, q) -partial isometry such that $\mathcal{N}(T^q)$ is a reducing subspace for T . Then T is an $(m + n, q)$ -partial isometry for $n = 1, 2, \dots$*

Proof. Two proofs for this theorem will be given.

The First Proof. Since T is an (m, q) -partial isometry and $T(\mathcal{N}(T^q)^\perp) \subset \mathcal{N}(T^q)^\perp$ it follows that $T|_{\mathcal{N}(T^q)^\perp}$ is an m -isometry. By Proposition 1.1 applied to the operator $T|_{\mathcal{N}(T^q)^\perp}$ we obtain that $T|_{\mathcal{N}(T^q)^\perp}$ is an $(m + n)$ -isometry and hence T is an $(m + n, q)$ -partial isometry.

The second Proof. The standard formula $\binom{m+1}{k} = \binom{m}{k} + \binom{m}{k-1}$ for binomial coefficients gives that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+1} (-1)^k \binom{m+1}{k} \|T^{m+1-k} T^{*q} x\|^2 \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+1} (-1)^k \left(\binom{m}{k} + \binom{m}{k-1} \right) \|T^{m+1-k} T^{*q} x\|^2 \\ &= \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} \|T^{m-k} T T^{*q} x\|^2 - \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} \|T^{m-k} T^{*q} x\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

= 0.

□

The following example shows that Theorem 2.4 is not necessarily true if $\mathcal{N}(T)$ is not reducing subspace for T .

Example 2.4. ([24]) Let $T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{C}^3)$. We note that

$\mathcal{N}(T)$ is not reducing for T and T is a 1-partial isometry but T is not a 2-partial isometry.

Example 2.5. The operator $T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{C}^3)$ is a 1-partial

isometry and a 2-partial isometry and $\mathcal{N}(T)$ is a reducing subspace for T .

Proposition 2.3. Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be an (m, q) -partial isometry. Then T is an $(m + 1, q)$ -partial isometry if and if T is an m -isometry on $\mathcal{R}(TT^{*q})$.

Proof. First assume that T is an (m, q) -partial isometry and an $(m + 1, q)$ -partial isometry we have by (2.1)

$$T^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^{*m-k} T^{m-k} = 0 \tag{2.4}$$

and

$$T^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+1} (-1)^k \binom{m+1}{k} T^{*m+1-k} T^{m+1-k} = 0 \tag{2.5}$$

Combining (2.4) and (2.5) we obtain

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

Thus implies that

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

the above inequality means that we can write

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

and hence the desired result.

Conversely assume that T is an (m, q) -partial isometry and an m -isometry on $\mathcal{R}(TT^{*q})$. We have that

$$T^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^{m-k} \binom{m}{k} T^{*k} T^k = 0 \tag{2.6}$$

and

$$\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^{m-k} \binom{m}{k} T^{*k} T^k T T^{*q} = 0 \tag{2.7}$$

The equation (2.7) implies

$$T^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^{m-k} \binom{m}{k} T^{*k+1} T^{k+1} = 0 \tag{2.8}$$

or equivalently

$$T^q \sum_{1 \leq k \leq m+1} (-1)^{m-k} \binom{m}{k-1} T^{*k} T^k = 0. \tag{2.9}$$

Combining (2.6) and (2.9), we obtain

$$T^q \left((-1)^m I + \sum_{1 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^{m-k} \left(\binom{m}{k} + \binom{m}{k-1} \right) T^{*k} T^k - T^{*m+1} T^{m+1} \right) = 0.$$

The binomial coefficient identity $\binom{m}{k} + \binom{m}{k-1} = \binom{m+1}{k}$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots, m$ gives

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

This completes the proof. □

In [22, Theorem 2.2], it is proved that if T and S commuting bounded linear operators on a Banach space X such that T is a 2-isometry and S is an m -isometry, then ST is an $(m + 1)$ -isometry. This result was improved in [6, Theorem 3.3]: if $TS = ST$, T is an (m, q) -isometry and S is an (n, q) -isometry, then ST is an $(m + n - 1, q)$ -isometry.

It is natural to ask whether the product and sum of two (m, q) -partial isometries operators are (m, q) -partial isometry. In general they need not be. The following Theorems give an affirmative answer under some conditions.

Theorem 2.5. *Let $T, S \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ are (m, q) -partial isometries. The following properties hold:*

1. *If $ST = TS$ and $\mathcal{R}(S) \subset \mathcal{N}(T)$ or $\mathcal{R}(T) \subset \mathcal{N}(S)$, then TS is an (m, q) -partial isometry.*
2. *If $ST = TS = S^*T = TS^* = 0$, then $T + S$ is an (m, q) -partial isometry.*

Proof. The proof follows from the Definition 2.1. □

Proposition 2.4. *Let $T, S \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ such that T is an (m, q) -partial isometry and S is an (n, q) -partial isometry . The following properties hold:*

1. *If $ST = TS$ and $\mathcal{R}(S) \subset \mathcal{N}(T)$ or $\mathcal{R}(T) \subset \mathcal{N}(S)$, then TS is an $(m+n, q)$ -partial isometry.*
2. *If $ST = TS = S^*T = TS^* = 0$, $\mathcal{N}(T)$ is a reducing subspace for T and $\mathcal{N}(S)$ is a reducing subspace for S , then $T + S$ is an $(m + n, q)$ -partial isometry.*

Proof. 1. Clear.

2. Since T is it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & (TS)^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq n+m} (-1)^{n+m-k} \binom{m+n}{k} (T+S)^{*k} (T+S)^k \\ &= (TS)^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq n+m} (-1)^{n+m-k} \binom{m+n}{k} (T^{*k} T^k + S^{*k} S^k) \\ &= 0 \text{ (by Theorem 2.4).} \end{aligned}$$

□

The following example shows that the product of (m, q) -partial isometries is not necessarily an (m, q) -partial isometry.

Example 2.6. Let $T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ acting

on \mathbb{C}^3 . It easy to see that T and S are 1-partial isometries but TS is not a 1-partial isometry.

The following example shows that the sum of (m, q) -partial isometries is not necessarily an (m, q) -partial isometry.

Example 2.7. Let $T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ acting on

\mathbb{C}^3 . It easy to see that T and S are $(2, 2)$ -partial isometries but $T + S$ is not a $(2, 2)$ -partial isometry.

We will use the following remark in the proof of Theorem 2.6.

Remark 2.3. 1. The following characterization of 3-isometry operator follows from the identity (1.7). An operator $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is a 3-isometry if and only if there exist operators $B_1(T^*, T)$ and $B_2(T^*, T)$ such that for all natural numbers n ,

$$T^{*n}T^n = I + nB_1(T^*, T) + n^2B_2(T^*, T), \tag{2.10}$$

where

$$B_1(T^*, T) = \frac{1}{2}(-T^{*2}T^2 + 4T^*T - 3I)$$

and

$$B_2(T^*, T) = \frac{1}{2}(T^{*2}T^2 - 2T^*T + I).$$

2. From the identity (1.7) the following characterization of 2-isometry holds. For an $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, then T is an 2-isometry if and only if

$$T^{*k}T^k = kT^*T - (k - 1)I, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

Theorem 2.6. Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be an (m, q) -partial isometry and let $S \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ for which $TS = ST$ and $TS^* = S^*T$. The following properties hold:

1. if S is an isometry, then TS is an (m, q) -partial isometry.
2. if $\mathcal{N}(T^q)$ is a reducing subspace for T and S is an 2-isometry, then TS is an $(m+1, q)$ -partial isometry.
3. if $\mathcal{N}(T^q)$ is a reducing subspace for T and S is an 3- isometry, then TS is an $(m + 2, q)$ -partial isometry.

Proof. 1. Let $x \in \mathcal{H}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (TS)^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} (TS)^{*m-k} (TS)^{m-k}(x) \\ &= (TS)^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^{*m-k} T^{m-k} (S^{*m-k} S^{m-k} x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= T^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^{*m-k} T^{m-k} (S^q x) \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

2. From part 2. of Remark 2.4 and Theorem 2.4, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(TS)^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+1} (-1)^k \binom{m+1}{k} (TS)^{*m+1-k} (TS)^{m+1-k} \\
 &= (TS)^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+1} (-1)^k \binom{m+1}{k} T^{*m+1-k} T^{m+1-k} (S^{*m+1-k} S^{m+1-k}) \\
 &= (TS)^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+1} (-1)^k \binom{m+1}{k} T^{*m+1-k} T^{m+1-k} ((m+1-k)S^* S) \\
 &\quad - (TS)^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+1} (-1)^k \binom{m+1}{k} T^{*m+1-k} T^{m+1-k} (m-k)I \\
 &= (TS)^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+1} (-1)^k \binom{m+1}{k} T^{*m+1-k} T^{m+1-k} k(I - S^* S) \\
 &= S^q T^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T^{*m-k} T^{m-k} (I - S^* S) \\
 &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

3. Since S is a 3-isometry and $TS = ST$, $TS^* = S^*T$, we have from equation (2.10) and Theorem 2.4 that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(ST)^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+2} (-1)^k \binom{m+2}{k} (ST)^{*m+2-k} (ST)^{m+2-k} \\
 &= S^q T^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+2} (-1)^k \binom{m+2}{k} (T)^{*m+2-k} (T)^{m+2-k} (S^{*m+2-k} S^{m+2-k}) \\
 &= S^q T^q \left\{ \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+2} (-1)^k \binom{m+2}{k} (T)^{*m+2-k} (T)^{m+2-k} I + \right. \\
 &\quad \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+2} (-1)^k \binom{m+2}{k} (T)^{*m+2-k} (T)^{m+2-k} (m+2-k) B_1(S^*, S) + \\
 &\quad \left. \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+2} (-1)^k \binom{m+2}{k} (T)^{*m+2-k} (T)^{m+2-k} (m+2-k)^2 B_2(S^*, S) \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \underbrace{S^q T^q \sum_{1 \leq k \leq m+2} (-1)^k \binom{m+2}{k} k (T)^{*m+2-k} (T)^{m+2-k} A_m(S^*, S)}_I \\
&+ \underbrace{S^q T^q \sum_{k=1}^{m+2} (-1)^k \binom{m+2}{k} k^2 (T)^{*m+2-k} (T)^{m+2-k} (B_2(S^*, S))}_J
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$A_m(S^*, S) = \left(-B_1(S^*, S) + (-2(m+2))B_2(S^*, S) \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
I &= S^q T^q \sum_{1 \leq k \leq m+2} (-1)^k (m+2) \binom{m+1}{k-1} (T)^{*m+2-k} (T)^{m+2-k} A_m(S^*, S) \\
&= -(m+2) S^q T^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m+1} (-1)^k \binom{m+1}{k} (T)^{*m+1-k} (T)^{m+1-k} \\
&\quad \left(-B_1(S^*, S) + (-2(m+2))B_2(S^*, S) \right) \\
&= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
J &= S^q T^q \sum_{1 \leq k \leq m+2} (-1)^k \binom{m+2}{k} k^2 (T)^{*m+2-k} (T)^{m+2-k} (B_2(S^*, S)) \\
&= S^q T^q \sum_{k=1}^{m+2} (-1)^k \binom{m+2}{k} (k(k-1) + k) (T)^{*m+2-k} (T)^{m+2-k} (B_2(S^*, S)) \\
&= S^q T^q \sum_{1 \leq k \leq m+2} (-1)^k \binom{m+2}{k} k(k-1) (T)^{*m+2-k} (T)^{m+2-k} (B_2(S^*, S)) \\
&= (m+2)(m+1) S^q T^q \sum_{k=2}^{m+2} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k-2} (T)^{*m+2-k} (T)^{m+2-k} (B_2(S^*, S)) \\
&= (m+2)(m+1) S^q T^q \sum_{0 \leq k \leq m} (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} (T)^{*m-k} (T)^{m-k} (B_2(S^*, S)) \\
&= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence $I + J = 0$. Thus TS is a $(m+2, q)$ -partial isometry. \square

The following corollary is an immediate consequence of Theorem 2.6.

Corollary 2.3. *Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be an (m, q) -partial isometry and let $S \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ for which $TS = ST$ and $TS^* = S^*T$. the following properties hold:*

1. *if S is an isometry, then TS^n is an (m, q) -partial isometry for all positive integer n .*
2. *if $\mathcal{N}(T^q)$ is a reducing subspace for T and S is an 2-isometry, then TS^n is an $(m+1, q)$ -partial isometry for all positive integer n .*
3. *if $\mathcal{N}(T^q)$ is a reducing subspace for T and S is an 3- isometry, then TS^n is an $(m + 2, q)$ -partial isometry for all positive integer n .*

It is clear that if T is an isometry, then T^r is also an isometry. Saddi and Sid Ahmed in [24, Theorem 2.1] prove that any power of a $(2, 1)$ -partial isometry if it has a nontrivial reducing sub space $\mathcal{N}(T)$ is again a $(2, 1)$ -partial isometry. In [16] it was showed that any power of a $(m, 1)$ -partial isometry if it has a nontrivial reducing subspace $\mathcal{N}(T)$ is again a $(m, 1)$ -partial isometry. Now we generalize it to (m, q) -partial. As the proof is very similar to [24, Theorem 2.1] and ([16], Theorem 2.17) , we omit it.

Theorem 2.7. *Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be an (m, q) -partial isometry such that $\mathcal{N}(T^q)$ is a reducing subspace for T . Then any power of T is also an (m, q) -partial isometry.*

Lemma 2.1. ([21]) *Let $n \geq 1$ be an integer, and let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ an operator such that $r(T) \leq 1$. Then the following equality hold*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{0 \leq k \leq n} \binom{n}{k} \varphi_\alpha(T)^{*k} \varphi_\alpha(T)^k \\ &= (1 - |\alpha|^2)^n (I - \alpha T^*)^{-n} \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq n} (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} T^{*k} T^k \right) (I - \bar{\alpha} T)^{-n} \end{aligned}$$

holds for every conformal automorphism φ_α of the unit disc of the form $\varphi_\alpha(z) = \frac{z - \alpha}{1 - \bar{\alpha}z}$ for all $z \in \mathbb{D}$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{D}$.

Let $Aut(\mathbb{D})$ be the group of all conformal mapping from \mathbb{D} onto itself (also called disk automorphisms of \mathbb{D}). It is well known that $Aut(\mathbb{D})$ coincides with the set of all Möbius transformations of \mathbb{D} onto itself:

$$Aut(\mathbb{D}) = \{ \lambda \varphi_\alpha : |\lambda| = 1, \alpha \in \mathbb{D} \}.$$

We can now conclude that the conformal automorphisms operate on the class of m -isometries.

Corollary 2.4. *If $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is an m -isometry, then so is $\varphi(T)$ for every $\varphi \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$.*

Proof. It is a consequence of the above lemma. □

Put

$$\begin{aligned} S_{T^q} &:= T^{*q} \Delta_{T^q, m-1} T^q \\ &= T^{*q} \left(\sum_{0 \leq k \leq m-1} (-1)^k \binom{m-1}{k} (T^{*q})^{m-1-k} (T^q)^{m-1-k} \right) T^q \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 2.5. *Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be an (m, q) -partial isometry such that $\mathcal{N}(T^q)$ is a reducing subspace for T , then $S_{T^q} \geq 0$ i.e.; $\langle S_{T^q} x, x \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{H}$.*

Proof. For $x \in \mathcal{H}$, we have $\langle S_{T^q} x, x \rangle = \langle \Delta_{T^q, m-1} T^q x, T^q x \rangle$. According to Corollary 2.1, Proposition 1.1 and ([1] Proposition 1.5) we have $\Delta_{T^q|_{\mathcal{N}(T^q)^\perp}, m-1} \geq 0$. Since T reduces $\mathcal{N}(T^q)$ then $Tx \in \mathcal{N}(T^q)^\perp$ and

$$\langle S_{T^q} x, x \rangle = \langle \Delta_{T^q, m-1} T^q x, T^q x \rangle \geq 0.$$

Hence the result. □

Definition 2.2. *An operator T is said to have the single valued extension properties if, for every open subset \mathcal{U} of \mathbb{C} , an analytic function $f : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ satisfies $(T - \lambda)f(\lambda) = 0 \quad \forall \lambda \in \mathcal{U}$, then $f(\lambda) = 0 \quad \forall \lambda \in \mathcal{U}$.*

Theorem 2.8. ([11]) *An m -isometric operator T has the single valued extension property.*

In the following theorem, we extend this result to some (m, q) -partial isometries.

Theorem 2.9. *Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be an (m, q) -partial isometry such that $\mathcal{N}(T^q)$ is a reducing subspace for T . Then T has the single valued extension properties.*

Proof. Assume that T is (m, q) -partial isometry for some positive integer m . Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ and let \mathcal{U} be any open neighborhood of λ in \mathbb{C} . Assume that f is an analytic \mathcal{H} -valued function defined on \mathcal{U} such that

$$(T - \lambda)f(\lambda) \equiv 0 \quad \text{on } \mathcal{U}. \tag{2.11}$$

Let $f(\lambda) = f_1(\lambda) \oplus f_2(\lambda) \in \mathcal{N}(T^q) \oplus \mathcal{N}(T^q)^\perp$, then we have

$$(T - \lambda)f(\lambda) \equiv 0 \iff (T - \lambda)f_1(\lambda) + (T - \lambda)f_2(\lambda) \equiv 0 \text{ on } \mathcal{U}.$$

We deduce that $(T - \lambda)T^q f_2(\lambda) = 0$ on \mathcal{U} .

Since T is an m -isometry on $\mathcal{N}(T^q)^\perp$ and hence has the single valued extension property (Theorem 2.8), then $T^q f_2(\lambda) \equiv 0$ and $f_2(\lambda) \equiv 0$. Consequently

$$(T - \lambda)f(\lambda) = 0 \iff (T - \lambda)f_1(\lambda) = 0.$$

Thus $(T - \lambda)f_1(\lambda) = 0$ implies that $\lambda^q f_1(\lambda) = 0$ and $f_1(\lambda) = 0$ if $\lambda \neq 0$. Since $f_1(\lambda) = 0$ if $\lambda \neq 0$ and f_1 is analytic, $f_1 \equiv 0$. \square

Theorem 2.10. *The class of (m, q) -partial isometries is closed subset of $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ equipped with the uniform operator (norm) topology.*

Proof. To see that the class of (m, q) -partial isometries is closed, we prove that any strong limit $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ of a sequence (T_p) in the class of (m, q) -partial isometry also belongs to the class of (m, q) -partial isometries, i.e., we let (T_p) be a sequence of operators in the class of (m, q) -partial isometries converging to $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ in norm:

$$\|T_p x - T x\| \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } p \longrightarrow \infty, \text{ for each } x \in H.$$

Hence it follows that

$$\|T_p^* x - T^* x\| = \|(T_p - T)^* x\| \leq \|(T_p - T)^*\| \|x\| = \|T_p - T\| \|x\| \longrightarrow 0,$$

whence (T_p^*) converges strongly to T^* .

Since the product of operators is sequentially continuous in the strong topology (see [17], p.62), one concludes that $T_p^q T_p^{*k} T_p^k$ converge strongly to $T^q T^{*k} T^k$. Hence the limiting case of (2.1) shows that T belongs to the class of (m, q) -partial isometries, completing the proof. \square

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