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## Putnam-Fuglede type theorem for class $\mathcal{A}_k$ operators

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**Abstract:** We will call  $U \in B(X)$  as an operator of class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  if for some integer  $k$ , the following inequality is satisfied:

$$|U^{k+1}|_{k+1}^2 \geq |U|^2.$$

In the present article, some basic spectral properties of this class are given, also the asymmetric Putnam-Fuglede theorem and the range kernel orthogonality for class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operators are proved.

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### 1. Introduction

Spectral theory has a key important role in the modern functional analysis and its applications in various fields [4, 15]. Basically, it is incorporated with specific inverse operators, their common properties and their dealings with the original operators. Such inverse operators play a major role in solving systems of linear algebraic equations, differential and Sylvester equations.

Everywhere in this paper, a complex Hilbert space of infinite dimension with the inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  will be denoted by  $X$  and  $B(X)$  indicates the algebra of all linear bounded operators which act on  $X$ . Spectrum, approximate spectrum, residual spectrum, and point spectrum of an operator  $U$  will be denoted by  $\sigma(U)$ ,  $\sigma_a(U)$ ,  $\sigma_r(U)$ , and  $\sigma_p(U)$ , respectively. The kernel of an operator  $U$  will be denoted by  $\ker(U)$  and the range by  $\text{ran}(U)$ .

For each operator  $U \in B(X)$ , we set, as usual  $|U| = (U^*U)^{1/2}$ , and review the following standard (familiar) definitions:

$U$  is normal if  $U^*U = UU^*$ , and

$U$  is hyponormal if  $|U^*|^2 \leq |U|^2$ ,

(i.e. equivalently, if  $\|U^*x\| \leq \|Ux\|$  for every  $x \in X$ ).

An operator  $U \in B(X)$  is said to be of class  $\mathcal{A}$  if and only if  $|U^2| \geq |U|^2$ .

The class of hyponormal operator has been studied by many authors. In recent years this class has been generalized, in some sense, to the larger sets of so called class  $p$ -hyponormal, log-hyponormal [21],  $w$ -hyponormal [2] and class  $\mathcal{A}$  operators [19].

**Definition 1.** An operator  $U \in B(X)$  is said to be class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operator if

$$|U^{k+1}|^{\frac{2}{k+1}} \geq |U|^2,$$

holds for some integer  $k$ .

The class  $\mathcal{A}$  coincides with class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  when  $k = 1$ .

**Example 2.** If  $U \in B(X)$  is a bilateral shift operator with weights  $\{\alpha_n\}$ ,  $\alpha_n \neq 0$ , then  $U$  is class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  if and only if

$$|\alpha_{n+1}| \cdots |\alpha_{n+k}| \geq |\alpha_n|^k.$$

Our first goal is to prove that the class  $\mathcal{A}$  shares many properties with that of hyponormal operators. The following inclusions give the relationships between these operators

$$\begin{aligned} \text{hyponormal} &\subset p\text{-hyponormal} \\ &\subset \text{log-hyponormal} \\ &\subset w\text{-hyponormal} \\ &\subset \text{class } \mathcal{A} \\ &\subset \text{class } \mathcal{A}_k. \end{aligned}$$

The generalized derivation  $\delta_{U,T} : B(X) \rightarrow B(X)$  for  $U, T \in B(X)$  is defined by  $\delta_{U,T}(H) = UH - HT$  for  $H \in B(X)$ , and we note  $\delta_{U,U} = \delta_U$ . If the following inequality

$$\|T - (UH - HU)\| \geq \|T\|,$$

holds for all  $T \in \ker \delta_U$  and for all  $H \in B(X)$ , then we remark that the range of  $\delta_U$  is orthogonal to the kernel of  $\delta_U$ .

The familiar Putnam-Fuglede's theorem affirms that if both  $U \in B(X)$  and  $T \in B(X)$  are normal operators and  $UH = HT$  for some  $H \in B(X)$ , then  $U^*H = HT^*$  (see [17]). This theorem attracted attention of many researchers and they extended it for several nonnormal classes of operators (see [2-4, 10, 12-15, 18, 19, 21-23]).

In this article, our second goal is extend this theorem to class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operators and prove the range kernel orthogonality for class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operators.

Let  $U \in B(X)$  and let  $\{e_n\}$  be an orthonormal basis of a Hilbert space  $X$ . The Hilbert-Schmidt norm is given by

$$\|U\|_2 = \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|Ue_n\|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

An operator  $U$  is called to be a Hilbert-Schmidt operator if  $\|U\|_2 < \infty$  (see [8] for details).  $C_2(X)$  denotes a set of all Hilbert-Schmidt operators. For  $T, U \in B(X)$ , the operator  $\Gamma_{T,U}$  defined as  $\Gamma_{T,U} : C_2(X) \ni H \rightarrow THU \in C_2(X)$  has been studied in [6]. It is known that  $\|\Gamma\| \leq \|T\|\|U\|$  and  $(\Gamma_{T,U})^*H = T^*HU^* = \Gamma_{T^*,U^*}H$ . If  $U \geq 0$  and  $T \geq 0$ , then  $\Gamma_{U,T} \geq 0$ . For more information see [6].

We organise our paper as follows: Section 2 deals with some properties for class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operators which will be needed to prove our main results. We present our main theorems, like the asymmetric Putnam-Fuglede's theorem for some  $\mathcal{A}_k$  class operators and also some orthogonality results in section 3.

## 2. Materials and method

### Properties of class $\mathcal{A}_k$ operators

**Theorem 3.** [11] *If  $U \in B(X)$  is a  $p$ -hyponormal or a log-hyponormal operator, then  $U$  is class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operator, for each positive integer  $k$ .*

**Corollary 4.** *Every hyponormal operator is a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operator.*

**Theorem 5.** [11] *If  $U \in B(X)$  is an invertible class  $\mathcal{A}$ , then  $U$  is class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operator for every  $k$ .*

A number  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  is said to be in the joint spectrum of operator  $U$  if there exist a joint eigenvector  $v$  corresponding to  $U$  and  $U^*$  such that  $Uv = \lambda v$  and  $U^*v = \bar{\lambda}v$ , where  $\bar{\lambda}$  is the complex conjugate of  $\lambda$ . We will denote the joint point spectrum and the point spectrum of operator  $U$  by  $\sigma_{jp}(U)$  and  $\sigma_p(U)$ , respectively.

**Theorem 6.** *Let  $U \in B(X)$  be a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operator. Then the following hold*

- (i) *If  $Uv = \lambda v$ ,  $\lambda \neq 0$ , then  $U^*v = \bar{\lambda}v$ ,*
- (ii)  *$\sigma_{jp}(U) - \{0\} = \sigma_p(U) - \{0\}$ ,*
- (iii) *Let  $Uv = \lambda v$  and  $Uw = \mu w$  with  $\lambda \neq \mu$ . Then  $v \perp w$ .*

*Proof.* (i) We have that the following

$$\begin{aligned} |\lambda|^2 \|v\|^2 &= \|Uv\|^2 \\ &= \langle |U|^2 v, v \rangle \\ &\leq \langle |U^{k+1}|^{\frac{2}{k+1}} v, v \rangle \\ &\leq \langle |U^{k+1}| v, v \rangle^{\frac{2}{k+1}} \|v\|^{\frac{2}{k+1}} \\ &\leq \| |U^{k+1}| x \|^{\frac{2}{k+1}} \|v\|^{\frac{2}{k+1}} \\ &= \left( |\lambda|^{2(k+1)} \|v\|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{k+1}} \|v\|^{\frac{2}{k+1}} \\ &= |\lambda|^2 \|v\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

follow from using Holder-McCarthy and Schwarz's inequalities.

Hence

$$|\lambda|^2 \langle v, v \rangle = \langle U^*Uv, v \rangle = \langle |U^{k+1}|^{\frac{2}{k+1}} v, v \rangle.$$

Since  $|U^{k+1}|^{\frac{2}{k+1}} v$  and  $v$  are linearly independent [16], we get

$$|U^{k+1}|^{\frac{2}{k+1}} v = |\lambda|^2 v.$$

Also,

$$\|(|U^{k+1}|^{\frac{2}{k+1}} - U^*U)^{\frac{1}{2}}v\|^2 = \langle (|U^{k+1}|^{\frac{2}{k+1}} - U^*U)v, v \rangle = 0.$$

Therefore

$$U^*Uv = |U^{k+1}|^{\frac{2}{k+1}}v = |\lambda|^2v,$$

and so

$$(U - \lambda)^*v = 0.$$

(ii) We can easily see that (ii) follows from the definition of the joint point spectrum and (i).

(iii) Let  $Uv = \lambda v$  and  $Uw = \mu w$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Uv, w \rangle &= \langle \lambda v, w \rangle \\ &= \lambda \langle v, w \rangle \\ &= \langle v, U^*w \rangle \\ &= \langle v, \bar{\mu}w \rangle \\ &= \mu \langle v, w \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\lambda \neq \mu$ , then  $\langle v, w \rangle = 0$ , i.e.,  $v \perp w$ .

□

**Definition 7.** We say that  $U \in B(\mathcal{H})$  is finite if the distance  $\text{dist}(I, \text{ran}(\delta_U)) \geq 1$  from the identity to the range of  $\delta_U$ .

**Definition 8.** If  $U \in B(\mathcal{H})$ , we denote by  $\sigma_{ar}(U)$  the reductant approximate spectrum, the set of scalars  $\lambda$  for which there is a normalized sequence  $\{x_n\} \subset \mathcal{H}$  verifying

$$(U - \lambda)x_n \longrightarrow 0 \text{ and } (U - \lambda)^*x_n \longrightarrow 0$$

**Proposition 9.** [1] Let  $U \in B(\mathcal{H})$ , if  $\sigma_{ra}$  is not empty, then  $U$  is finite.

**Proposition 10.** (Berberian Technique) [5]

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a complex Hilbert space, then there is a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{K} \supset \mathcal{H}$  and  $\varphi : B(\mathcal{H}) \rightarrow B(\mathcal{K})$  ( $U \mapsto \tilde{U}$ ) satisfying:  $\varphi$  is an \*-isomorphism preserving the order such that:

- (i)  $\varphi(U^*) = \varphi(U)^*$ ,  $\varphi(I) = \tilde{I}$ ;
- (ii)  $\varphi(\alpha U + \beta V) = \alpha \varphi(U) + \beta \varphi(V)$ ,  $\varphi(UV) = \varphi(U)\varphi(V)$ ;
- (iii)  $\|\varphi(U)\| = \|U\|$
- (iv)  $\varphi(U) \leq \varphi(V)$  if  $U \leq V$ , for all  $U, V \in B(\mathcal{H})$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ ;
- (v)  $\sigma(U) = \sigma(\tilde{U})$ ,  $\sigma_a(U) = \sigma_a(\tilde{U}) = \sigma_p(\tilde{U})$ .

**Proposition 11.** If  $U \in B(\mathcal{H})$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$ , then  $\varphi(U)$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$ .

*Proof.* By using Berberian technique, we prove easily that

$$\begin{aligned} |\varphi(U)^{k+1}|^{\frac{2}{k+1}} &= |\varphi(U^{k+1})|^{\frac{2}{k+1}} \\ &= \varphi(|U^{k+1}|^{\frac{2}{k+1}}) \\ &\geq \varphi(|U|^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$= |\varphi(U)|^2,$$

this means that  $\varphi(U)$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$ . □

**Proposition 12.** *If  $U \in B(\mathcal{H})$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$ , then  $U$  is finite.*

*Proof.* From Proposition 11  $\varphi(U)$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$ , with  $\sigma_a(U) = \sigma_a(\tilde{U}) = \sigma_p(\tilde{U})$  using Berberian technique, since  $\sigma_a(U)$  is never empty and  $\sigma_{jp}(U) - \{0\} = \sigma_p(U) - \{0\}$ , so by Theorem 6, it follows that  $\sigma_{ra}(U) \neq \emptyset$  implying  $U$  is finite. □

**Proposition 13.** *If  $U \in \mathcal{A}_k$ , then  $U^* \notin \text{ran}(\delta_U)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\lambda \in \sigma_{ra} - \{0\} \neq \emptyset$ , then there is a normalized sequence  $\{x_n\}$  such that

$$(U - \lambda)x_n \longrightarrow 0 \text{ and } (U - \lambda)^*x_n \longrightarrow 0$$

and let  $X \in B(\mathcal{H})$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \|UX - XU - U^*\| &= \|(U - \lambda)X - X(U - \lambda) - (U^* - \bar{\lambda}) - \bar{\lambda}\| \\ &\geq \|(\langle (U - \lambda)Xx_n, x_n \rangle - \langle X(U - \lambda)x_n, x_n \rangle - \langle (U^* - \bar{\lambda}) - \bar{\lambda} \rangle)\| \end{aligned}$$

letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get  $\|UX - XU - U^*\| \geq |\lambda|$  implying  $U^* \notin \text{ran}(\delta_U)$ . □

**Proposition 14.** *If  $U$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  and  $N$  is a normal operator such that  $UN = NU$ , then for every  $\lambda \in \sigma_p(N)$*

$$|\lambda| \leq \text{dist}(N, \text{ran}(\delta_U))$$

*Proof.* Let  $\lambda \in \sigma_p(N)$  and  $\mathcal{M}_\lambda$  be the eigenspace associated to  $\lambda$ . Since  $NU = UN$ , then  $U^*N = NU^*$  by Putnam-Fuglede Theorem. Hence  $\mathcal{M}_\lambda$  reduces orthogonally  $U$  and  $N$ . Let  $T \in B(\mathcal{H})$ , we can write  $U, N$  and  $T$  according to the decomposition of  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{M}_\lambda \oplus \mathcal{M}_\lambda^\perp$  as follows:

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} U_1 & 0 \\ 0 & U_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad N = \begin{bmatrix} N_1 & 0 \\ 0 & N_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and } T = \begin{bmatrix} T_1 & T_2 \\ T_3 & T_4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \|N + UT - TU\| &= \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \lambda + U_1T_1 - T_1U_1 & * \\ * & * \end{bmatrix} \right\| \\ &\geq \|\lambda + U_1T_1 - T_1U_1\| \\ &\geq |\lambda| \left\| I + U_1 \left( \frac{T_1}{\lambda} \right) - \left( \frac{T_1}{\lambda} \right) \right\| \\ &\leq |\lambda|. \end{aligned}$$

□

**Proposition 15.** *If  $U$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$ , then for every normal operator  $N$  such that  $UN = NU$ , we have  $\|N\| \leq \text{dist}(N, \text{ran}(\delta_U))$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\lambda \in \sigma(N) = \sigma_a(N)$  [1], from proposition 10,  $\tilde{N}$  is normal and  $\tilde{U}$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$ ,  $\tilde{N}U = \tilde{N}\tilde{U} = \tilde{U}\tilde{N}$ , also  $\lambda \in \sigma_p(\tilde{N})$ . Applying proposition (14), we get for every  $T \in B(\mathcal{H})$

$$|\lambda| \leq \|\tilde{N} + \tilde{U}\tilde{T} - \tilde{T}\tilde{U}\|_{vert} = \|N + UT - TU\|$$

Therefore

$$\sup_{\lambda \in \sigma(\tilde{N})} |\lambda| = \|\tilde{N}\| = \|N\| \leq \|N + UT - TU\|.$$

□

We will denote by  $U \otimes T$ , the tensor product of some non-zero operators  $U, T \in B(X)$ , on the product space  $X \oplus X$ . We can see the importance the tensor product operation  $U \otimes T$  as it preserves many properties of  $U, T \in B(X)$ . It can be checked that the tensor product of operators  $U$  and  $T$  i.e.  $U \otimes T$  is hyponormal if and only if  $U$  and  $T$  are hyponormal [9].

We will obtain an analogous result for class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operators in this section. Before stating our main theorems, we need some preliminary results.

**Lemma 16.** [20] *Let  $U_1, U_2 \in B(X), T_1, T_2 \in B(X)$  be non-negative operators. If  $U_1$  and  $T_1$  are non-zero, then the following assertions are equivalent*

1.  $U_1 \otimes T_1 \leq U_2 \otimes T_2$
2. *There exists  $c > 0$  for which  $U_1 \leq U_2$  and  $T_1 \leq c^{-1}T_2$ .*

**Lemma 17.** *If  $U, T \in B(X)$  are class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operators, then  $U \otimes T$  is class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operator.*

*Proof.* Since  $U$  and  $T$  are class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operators, then

$$\begin{aligned} |(U \otimes T)^{k+1}|^{\frac{2}{k+1}} &= |U^{k+1}|^{\frac{2}{k+1}} \otimes |T^{k+1}|^{\frac{2}{k+1}} \\ &\geq |U|^2 \otimes |T|^2 \\ &= |U \otimes T|. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $U \otimes T$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operator. □

**Theorem 18.** [11] *If  $U$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operator and  $\mathcal{M}$  is an invariant subspace of  $U$ , the restriction  $U|_{\mathcal{M}}$  is also a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$ .*

### 3. Main results

In the following, we prove that if  $H$  is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator,  $U$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operator and  $T^*$  is an invertible class  $\mathcal{A}$  following the relation  $UH = HT$ , then  $U^*H = HT^*$ .

**Theorem 19.** *Let  $U$  and  $T \in B(X)$ . Then  $\Gamma_{U,T}$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operator on  $C_2(X)$  if and only if  $U$  and  $T^*$  belong to  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operators.*

*Proof.* The unitary operator

$$\mathcal{U} : C_2(X) \rightarrow X \oplus X$$

defined by

$$(v \oplus w)^* = v \oplus w$$

induces the \*-isomorphism

$$\psi : B(C_2(X)) \rightarrow B(X \oplus X)$$

by a map

$$H \mapsto \mathcal{U}H\mathcal{U}^*.$$

Then we can obtain

$$\psi(\Gamma_{U,T}) = U \oplus T^*,$$

see [7] for details. This completes the proof by Lemma 17.  $\square$

**Theorem 20.** *Let  $U$  be a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operator and  $T^*$  an invertible class  $\mathcal{A}$  operator. If  $UH = HT$  for some  $H \in C_2(X)$ , then  $U^*H = HT^*$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\Gamma$  be defined on  $C_2(X)$  by

$$\Gamma(V) = UVT^{-1}.$$

The operator  $T$  is an invertible class  $\mathcal{A}$ , then  $T$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  by Theorem 5.

Since  $U$  and  $(T^{-1})^* = (T^*)^{-1}$  are  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operators, we have by Theorem 19, we can say that  $\Gamma$  is also an  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operator. Moreover,

$$\Gamma(H) = UHT^{-1} = H$$

because of  $UH = HT$ . Hence,  $H$  is an eigenvector of  $\Gamma$ . By Theorem 6, we have

$$\Gamma^*(H) = U^*H(T^{-1})^* = H,$$

that is,

$$U^*H = HT^*$$

as desired.  $\square$

**Corollary 21.** *Let  $U \in B(X)$  be a class  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $T^*$  be an invertible class  $\mathcal{A}$  such that  $UH = HT$  for some  $H \in C_2(X)$ . Then,  $U^*H = HT^*$ .*

**Corollary 22.** *Let  $U \in B(X)$  be hyponormal and  $T^*$  be an invertible class  $\mathcal{A}$  such that  $UH = HT$  for some  $H \in C_2(X)$ . Then,  $U^*H = HT^*$ .*

**Corollary 23.** *Let  $U \in B(X)$  be a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  and  $T^*$  be an invertible hyponormal such that  $UH = HT$  for some  $H \in C_2(X)$ . Then,  $U^*H = HT^*$ .*

**Corollary 24.** *Let  $U \in B(X)$  be a class  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $T^*$  be an invertible hyponormal such that  $UH = HT$  for some  $H \in C_2(X)$ . Then,  $U^*H = HT^*$ .*

Now, we are ready to extend the orthogonality results to some class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operators.

**Theorem 25.** Let  $U, T \in B(X)$  and  $V \in C_2(X)$ . Then

$$\|\delta_{U,T}(H) + V\|_2^2 = \|\delta_{U,T}(H)\|_2^2 + \|V\|_2^2, \quad (3.1)$$

and

$$\|\delta_{U,T}^*(H) + V\|_2^2 = \|\delta_{U,T}^*(H)\|_2^2 + \|V\|_2^2, \quad (3.2)$$

if and only if  $\delta_{U,T}(V) = 0 = \delta_{U^*,T^*}(V)$  for all  $V \in C_2(X)$ .

*Proof.* It is known that the Hilbert-Schmidt class  $C_2(X)$  is a Hilbert space. Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \|\delta_{U,T}(H) + V\|_2^2 &= \|\delta_{U,T}\|_2^2 + \|V\|_2^2 + \operatorname{Re}\langle \delta_{U,T}(H), V \rangle \\ &= \|\delta_{U,T}\|_2^2 + \|V\|_2^2 + \operatorname{Re}\langle H, \delta_{U,T}^*(V) \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\|\delta_{U,T}^*(H) + V\|_2^2 = \|\delta_{U,T}^*\|_2^2 + \|V\|_2^2 + \operatorname{Re}\langle H, \delta_{U,T}^*(V) \rangle. \quad (3.3)$$

Hence by the equality  $\delta_{U,T}(V) = 0 = \delta_{U^*,T^*}(V)$ , we obtain (3.1) and (3.2). So, this completes the proof as our claim is verified.  $\square$

**Corollary 26.** Let  $U, T$  be operators in  $B(X)$  and  $V \in C_2(X)$ . Then

$$\|\delta_{U,T}(H) + V\|_2^2 = \|\delta_{U,T}(H)\|_2^2 + \|V\|_2^2$$

and

$$\|\delta_{U,T}^*(H) + V\|_2^2 = \|\delta_{U,T}^*(H)\|_2^2 + \|V\|_2^2$$

if either of the following hold

- (i)  $U$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  and  $(T^*)^{-1}$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}$ ;
- (ii)  $U$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $(T^*)^{-1}$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$ ;
- (iii)  $U$  is hyponormal and  $(T^*)^{-1}$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}$ ;
- (iv)  $U$  is a class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  and  $(T^*)^{-1}$  is hyponormal.

#### 4. Discussions

The basic properties of class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  are studied and discussed. The Putnam-Fuglede Theorem plays an important role in operator theory. We proved that the Putnam-Fuglede Theorem for class  $\mathcal{A}_k$  operators holds in the Hilbert-Schmidt case. Also, range-kernel results for the generalized derivations induced by certain  $\mathcal{A}_k$  classes are obtained.

#### 5. Conclusions

The questions which logically arise after this study are as follows:

1. Is the Putnam-Fuglede Theorem remains true for  $\mathcal{A}_k$  class in any Hilbert space  $H$ ?
2. Is the Putnam-Fuglede Theorem remains true for  $\mathcal{A}_k$  class in any bilateral ideal in  $B(H)$ ?



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