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**SOME PROPERTIES OF  $k$ -QUASI CLASS  $Q^*$  OPERATORS**

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, we give some results of  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  operators. We proved that if  $T$  is an invertible operator and  $N$  be an operator such that  $N$  commutes with  $T^*T$ , then  $N$  is  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  if and only if  $TNT^{-1}$  is of  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$ . With example we proved that exist an operator  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  which is quasi nilpotent but it is not quasi hyponormal.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$  denote the  $C^*$  algebra of all bounded operators on  $\mathcal{H}$  and let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a complex Hilbert space with inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ . For  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ , we denote by  $\sigma(T)$  the spectrum of  $T$  and by  $r(T)$  the spectral radius of operator  $T$  which is defined by  $r(T) = \sup\{|\lambda| : \lambda \in \sigma(T)\}$ . The null operator and the identity on  $\mathcal{H}$  will be denoted by  $O$  and  $I$ , respectively. If  $T$  is an operator, then  $T^*$  is its adjoint, and  $\|T\| = \|T^*\|$ .

An operator  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$  is a positive operator,  $T \geq O$ , if  $\langle Tx, x \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $x \in \mathcal{H}$ . If two operator  $A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$  and  $B \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$  are positive operators and if  $AB = BA$  then the product  $AB$  is also positive operator. The  $|T| = (T^*T)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  is a positive operator and we have that  $|T|^2 = T^*T$  and  $|T^*|^2 = TT^*$ .

The operator  $T$  is called unitary operator if  $T^*T = TT^* = I$ . The operator  $T$  is normaloid if  $r(T) = \|T\|$  and it is quasi nilpotent if  $r(T) = 0$ .

An operator  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ , is said to be paranormal [4], if  $\|Tx\|^2 \leq \|T^2x\|$  for any unit vector  $x$  in  $\mathcal{H}$ . Further,  $T$  is said to be quasi hyponormal [3], if  $\|T^*Tx\| \leq \|T^2x\|$  for any unit vector  $x$  in  $\mathcal{H}$ .

An operator  $T$  is called  $k$ -quasi- $*$ -paranormal if  $\|T^*T^kx\|^2 \leq \|T^{k+2}x\| \|T^kx\|$ , for all  $x \in \mathcal{H}$ , where  $k$  is a natural number, [8].

An operator  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$  belongs to class  $Q^*$  if  $T^{*2}T^2 - 2TT^* + I \geq O$  or equivalent if  $\|T^*x\|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2}(\|T^2x\|^2 + \|x\|^2)$ , for all  $x \in \mathcal{H}$  ([6]).

An operator  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$  belongs to  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  if

$$\|T^*T^kx\|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2}(\|T^{k+2}x\|^2 + \|T^kx\|^2),$$

for all  $x \in \mathcal{H}$ , where  $k$  is a natural number. Equivalently, operator  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$  belongs to  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  if  $T^{*k}(T^{*2}T^2 - 2TT^* + I)T^k \geq O$ , where  $k$  is a natural number ([5]).

Aluthge in [1] define a transformation  $\tilde{T}$  of operator  $T$  by  $\tilde{T} = |T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , where  $T = U|T|$  is the polar decomposition of operator  $T$ .  $\tilde{T}$  is called Aluthge transformation.

Yamazaki in [7] define the  $*$ -Aluthge transformation of operator  $T$ . The  $*$ -Aluthge transformation is defined by  $\tilde{T}^{(*)} \stackrel{def}{=} (\tilde{T}^*)^* = |T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}$ .

It is proved that  $U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}} = |T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*$ ,  $U^*|T^*| = |T|U^*$ ,  $U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}} = |T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U$ ,  $U|T| = |T^*|U$ .

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

In this section we prove some properties of  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  operators.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let be  $T$  be an invertible operator and  $N$  be an operator such that  $N$  commutes with  $T^*T$ . Then  $N$  is  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  if and only if  $TNT^{-1}$  is of  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $N$  be a  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  operator.

$$N^{*k}(N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I)N^k \geq 0.$$

From this we have that:

$$TN^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^kT^* \geq 0.$$

Consider,

$$\begin{aligned} & TN^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^kT^*[TT^*] \\ &= TN^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^k[T^*T]T^* \\ &= T[T^*T]N^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^kT^* \\ &= [TT^*]TN^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^kT^*. \end{aligned}$$

So, we see that operator  $TT^*$  commutes with operator

$$TN^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^kT^*.$$

Then operator  $[TT^*]^{-1}$  also commutes with operator

$$TN^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^kT^*.$$

Since the operators  $[TT^*]^{-1}$  and  $TN^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^kT^*$  are positive and since they commute with each other we have that their product is also positive operator:

$$T^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^kT^*[TT^*]^{-1} \geq 0.$$

Since operator  $N$  commutes with operator  $T^*T$ , we get,

$$\begin{aligned} (2.1) \quad (TNT^{-1})^{*k} &= (TNT^{-1})^*(TNT^{-1})^* \dots (TNT^{-1})^* \\ &= T^{*-1}N^*T^*T^{*-1}N^*T^* \dots T^{*-1}N^*T^* = T^{*-1}N^{*k}T^* \end{aligned}$$

$$(2.2) \quad (TNT^{-1})^k = TNT^{-1}TNT^{-1} \dots TNT^{-1} = TN^kT^{-1}$$

$$(2.3) \quad (TNT^{-1})^{*2}(TNT^{-1})^2 = TN^{*2}N^2T^{-1}$$

$$(2.4) \quad (TNT^{-1})(TNT^{-1})^* = TNT^{-1}T^{*-1}N^*T^* = TNN^*T^{-1}$$

To prove that  $TNT^{-1}$  is  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  operator, the equation (2.1), (2.2), (2.3) and (2.4) we substitute in above expression:

$$(TNT^{-1})^{*k}[(TNT^{-1})^{*2}(TNT^{-1})^2 - 2(TNT^{-1})(TNT^{-1})^* + I](TNT^{-1})^k$$

and we have

$$\begin{aligned} &(TNT^{-1})^{*k}[(TNT^{-1})^{*2}(TNT^{-1})^2 - 2(TNT^{-1})(TNT^{-1})^* + I](TNT^{-1})^k \\ &= T^{*-1}N^{*k}T^*[TN^{*2}N^2T^{-1} - 2TNN^*T^{-1} + I]TN^kT^{-1} \\ &= T^{*-1}N^{*k}T^*T[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]T^{-1}TN^kT^{-1} \\ &= T^{*-1}N^{*k}T^*T[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^kT^{-1} \\ &= T^{*-1}T^*TN^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^kT^{-1} \\ &= TN^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^kT^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Now we have to prove that that the last expression is positive. From the fact that we prove that

$$TN^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^kT^*[TT^*]^{-1} \geq 0$$

we have that:

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow TN^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^kT^*T^{*-1}T^{-1} \geq 0 \\ &\Rightarrow TN^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^kT^{-1} \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $TNT^{-1}$  is  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  operator.

Conversely, let  $TNT^{-1}$  be a  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  operator.

$$(TNT^{-1})^{*k}[(TNT^{-1})^{*2}(TNT^{-1})^2 - 2(TNT^{-1})(TNT^{-1})^* + I](TNT^{-1})^k \geq 0.$$

Then similar as before, after substituting the equation (2.1), (2.2), (2.3) and (2.4) we have:

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow TN^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^kT^{-1} \geq 0 \\ &\Rightarrow T^*TN^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^kT^{-1}T \geq 0 \\ &\Rightarrow [T^*T]N^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^k \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since operator  $[T^*T]$  commutes with operator  $N$  and hence commute with operator

$$[T^*T]N^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^k.$$

The also the operator  $[T^*T]^{-1}$  commutes with operator

$$[T^*T]N^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^k.$$

Since the operators  $[T^*T]^{-1}$  and  $[T^*T]N^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^k$  are positive and since they commute with each other we have:

$$[T^*T]^{-1}[T^*T]N^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^k \geq 0.$$

Therefore,

$$N^{*k}[N^{*2}N^2 - 2NN^* + I]N^k \geq 0.$$

Hence,  $N$  is  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  operator. ■

**Corollary 2.2.** *Let  $S$  be a  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  operator and  $M$  any positive operator such that  $M^{-1} = M^*$ . Then  $T = M^{-1}SM$  is  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  operator.*

*Proof.* Let  $S$  be a  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  operator. Then

$$S^{*k}(S^{*2}S^2 - 2SS^* + I)S^k \geq 0.$$

Consider,

$$\begin{aligned} &T^{*k}(T^{*2}T^2 - 2TT^* + I)T^k \\ &= (M^{-1}SM)^{*k}((M^{-1}SM)^{*2}(M^{-1}SM)^2 - 2(M^{-1}SM)(M^{-1}SM)^* + I)(M^{-1}SM)^k \\ &= M^*S^*M^{-1*}M^*S^*M^{-1*} \dots M^*S^*M^{-1*}(M^*S^*M^{-1*}M^*S^*M^{-1*}M^{-1}SM M^{-1}SM \\ &\quad - 2M^*S^*M^{-1*}M^{-1}SM + I)M^{-1}SM M^{-1}SM \dots M^{-1}SM \\ &= M^*S^{*k}(S^{*2}S^2 - 2SS^* + I)S^k M \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

hence,  $T = M^{-1}SM$  is  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  operator. ■

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let be  $T \in L(H)$ . Then  $\tilde{T}$  is  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  operator if and only if  $\tilde{T}^{(*)}$  is  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  operator.*

*Proof.* Assume that  $\tilde{T}$  is  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  then

$$\tilde{T}^{*k}(\tilde{T}^{*2}\tilde{T}^2 - 2\tilde{T}\tilde{T}^* + I)\tilde{T}^k \geq 0.$$

We need to prove that  $\tilde{T}^{(*)}$  is  $k$ -quasi -class  $Q^*$  operator.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \tilde{T}^{(*)*k}(\tilde{T}^{(*)*2}\tilde{T}^{(*)2} - 2\tilde{T}^{(*)}\tilde{T}^{(*)*} + I)\tilde{T}^{(*)k} \\
&= (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})^{*k} \\
& \quad ( (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})^{*2}(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})^2 - 2(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})^* + I) \\
& \quad (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})^k \\
&= (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})^* (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})^* \dots (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})^* \\
& \quad [ (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})^* (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})^* (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \\
& \quad - 2(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) + I] \\
& \quad (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \dots (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \\
&= (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \dots (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \\
& \quad [ (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \\
& \quad - 2(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) + I] \\
& \quad (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \dots (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \\
&= UU^* (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^* \dots U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) UU^* \\
& \quad [ |T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}} - 2|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}} + I] \\
& \quad UU^* (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U \dots U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) UU^* \\
&= U (U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^* \dots U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U) [U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U \\
& \quad - 2U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U + I] (U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U \dots U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U) U^* \\
&= U (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^* \dots U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U) [ |T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U \\
& \quad - 2|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}} + I] (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U \dots U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) U^* \\
&= U (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \dots (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \\
& \quad [ (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \\
& \quad - 2(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) + I] \\
& \quad (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \dots (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) U^* \\
&= U\tilde{T}^{*k}(\tilde{T}^{*2}\tilde{T}^2 - 2\tilde{T}\tilde{T}^* + I)\tilde{T}^k U^* \geq 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\tilde{T}^{*k}(\tilde{T}^{*2}\tilde{T}^2 - 2\tilde{T}\tilde{T}^* + I)\tilde{T}^k \geq 0.$$

Hence  $\tilde{T}^{(*)}$  is  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  operator.

Conversely, assume that  $\tilde{T}^{(*)}$  is  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  operator, then

$$\tilde{T}^{(*)*k}(\tilde{T}^{(*)*2}\tilde{T}^{(*)2} - 2\tilde{T}^{(*)}\tilde{T}^{(*)*} + I)\tilde{T}^{(*)k} \geq 0.$$

We need to prove that  $\tilde{T}$  is  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$ .  
Consider

$$\begin{aligned}
& \tilde{T}^{*k}(\tilde{T}^{*2}\tilde{T}^2 - 2\tilde{T}\tilde{T}^* + I)\tilde{T}^k \\
&= U^*U(|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T|^{\frac{1}{2}})(|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \cdots (|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T|^{\frac{1}{2}})U^*U \\
&\quad [(|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T|^{\frac{1}{2}})(|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T|^{\frac{1}{2}})(|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}})(|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}) - 2(|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \\
&\quad (|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}) + I] \\
&\quad U^*U(|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}})(|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \cdots (|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}})U^*U \\
&= U^*(U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T|U^* \cdots U^*|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*) \\
&\quad [U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T|U^*|T|U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^* - 2U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T|U^*|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^* + I] \\
&\quad (U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T|U \cdots U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*)U \\
&= U^*(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|U^* \cdots U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \\
&\quad [ |T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|U^*|T^*|U|T^*|U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}} - 2|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}} + I] \\
&\quad (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|U \cdots U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})U \\
&= U^*(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \cdots (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \\
&\quad [ (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \\
&\quad - 2(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) + I] \\
&\quad (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) \cdots (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})U \\
&= U^*(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})^{*k} \\
&\quad [ (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})^{*2}(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})^2 \\
&\quad - 2(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})^*(|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}) + I] (|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}})^k U \\
&= U^*\tilde{T}^{(*)*k}(\tilde{T}^{(*)*2}\tilde{T}^{(*)2} - 2\tilde{T}^{(*)}\tilde{T}^{(*)*} + I)\tilde{T}^{(*)k}U
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\tilde{T}^{*k}(\tilde{T}^{*2}\tilde{T}^2 - 2\tilde{T}\tilde{T}^* + I)\tilde{T}^k \geq 0.$$

Hence  $\tilde{T}$  is  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  operator. ■

**Proposition 2.4.** Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$  be the operator defined as

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

If  $A$  is operator of class  $Q^*$  and  $BB^* = 0$ , then  $T$  is an operator of  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$ .

*Proof.* A simple calculation shows that:

$$\begin{aligned}
 T^* &= \begin{pmatrix} A^* & 0 \\ B^* & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\
 T^{*k} &= \begin{pmatrix} A^{*k} & 0 \\ B^* A^{*(k-1)} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\
 T^k &= \begin{pmatrix} A^k & A^{(k-1)}B \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\
 T^{*k}TT^*T^k &= \begin{pmatrix} A^{*k}(AA^* + BB^*)A^k & A^{*k}(AA^* + BB^*)A^{(k-1)}B \\ B^*A^{*(k-1)}(AA^* + BB^*)A^k & B^*A^{*(k-1)}(AA^* + BB^*)A^{(k-1)}B \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} A^{*k}AA^*A^k & A^{*k}AA^*A^{(k-1)}B \\ B^*A^{*(k-1)}AA^*A^k & B^*A^{*(k-1)}AA^*A^{(k-1)}B \end{pmatrix}, \\
 T^{*(k+2)} &= \begin{pmatrix} A^{*(k+2)} & 0 \\ B^*A^{*(k+1)} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\
 T^{(k+2)} &= \begin{pmatrix} A^{(k+2)} & A^{(k+1)}B \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\
 T^{*(k+2)}T^{(k+2)} &= \begin{pmatrix} A^{*(k+2)}A^{(k+2)} & A^{*(k+2)}A^{(k+1)}B \\ B^*A^{*(k+1)}A^{(k+2)} & B^*A^{*(k+1)}A^{(k+1)}B \end{pmatrix}. \\
 T^{*k}(T^{*2}T^2 - 2TT^* + I)T^k &= T^{*(k+2)}T^{(k+2)} - 2T^{*k}TT^*T^k + T^{*k}T^k = \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} A^{*k}(A^{*2}A^2 - 2AA^* + I)A^k & A^{*k}(A^{*2}A^2 - 2AA^* + I)A^{(k-1)}B \\ B^*A^{*(k-1)}(A^{*2}A^2 - 2AA^* + I)A^k & B^*A^{*(k-1)}(A^{*2}A^2 - 2AA^* + I)A^{(k-1)}B \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $u = x \oplus y \in \mathcal{H} \oplus \mathcal{H}$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\langle (T^{*(k+2)}T^{(k+2)} - 2T^{*k}TT^*T^k + T^{*k}T^k)u, u \rangle \\
 &= \langle A^{*k}(A^{*2}A^2 - 2AA^* + I)A^kx, x \rangle + \langle A^{*k}(A^{*2}A^2 - 2AA^* + I)A^{(k-1)}By, x \rangle \\
 &+ \langle B^*A^{*(k-1)}(A^{*2}A^2 - 2AA^* + I)A^kx, y \rangle \\
 &+ \langle B^*A^{*(k-1)}(A^{*2}A^2 - 2AA^* + I)A^{(k-1)}By, y \rangle \\
 &= \langle (A^{*2}A^2 - 2AA^* + I)A^kx, A^kx \rangle \\
 &+ \langle (A^{*2}A^2 - 2AA^* + I)A^{(k-1)}By, A^kx \rangle \\
 &+ \langle (A^{*2}A^2 - 2AA^* + I)A^kx, A^{(k-1)}By \rangle \\
 &+ \langle (A^{*2}A^2 - 2AA^* + I)A^{(k-1)}By, A^{(k-1)}By \rangle \\
 &= \langle (A^{*2}A^2 - 2AA^* + I)(A^kx + A^{(k-1)}By), (A^kx + A^{(k-1)}By) \rangle \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

because  $A$  is operator of class  $Q^*$  then,  $A^{*2}A^2 - 2AA^* + I \geq O$ , so this prove the result. ■

**Proposition 2.5.** Every quasi hyponormal operator is operator of quasi class  $Q^*$ .

*Proof.* Let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$  be a quasi hypornal operator, then

$$\|T^*Tx\| \leq \|T^2x\|.$$

Since every quasi hyponormal operator is paranormal [3, Corollary 3.15] then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|T^*Tx\| &\leq \|T^2x\|^2 = \|T\left(\frac{Tx}{\|Tx\|}\right)\|^2 \cdot \|Tx\|^2 \\ &\leq \|T^2\left(\frac{Tx}{\|Tx\|}\right)\| \cdot \|Tx\|^2 = \|T^3x\| \cdot \|Tx\| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} (\|T^3x\|^2 + \|Tx\|^2), \end{aligned}$$

So,  $T$  is operator of quasi class  $Q^*$ . ■

In following example we will prove that exist an operator  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  which is quasi nilpotent but it is not quasi hyponormal.

**Example 2.1.** Consider the operator  $T : l^2 \rightarrow l^2$  defined by

$$T(x) = (0, \alpha_1x_1, \alpha_2x_2, \dots)$$

where  $\alpha_1 = \frac{1}{2^n}$  for  $n \geq 1$ . Operator  $T$  is of  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  and quasi nilpotent but it is not quasi hyponormal.

Given  $T(x) = (0, \alpha_1x_1, \alpha_2x_2, \dots)$ . Then  $T^*(x) = (\alpha_1x_1, \alpha_2x_2, \dots)$ ,

$$T^2(x) = (0, 0, \alpha_1\alpha_2x_1, \alpha_2\alpha_3x_2, \dots),$$

$$T^k(x) = (\overbrace{0, 0, 0, \dots, 0}^{k\text{-time}}, \alpha_1\alpha_2 \dots \alpha_kx_1, \alpha_2\alpha_3 \dots \alpha_{k+1}x_2, \dots),$$

$$T^*T^k(x) = (\overbrace{0, 0, 0, \dots, 0}^{(k-1)\text{-time}}, \alpha_1\alpha_2 \dots \alpha_k^2x_1, \alpha_2\alpha_3 \dots \alpha_{k+1}^2x_2, \dots),$$

$$T^{*k}T^k(x) = (\alpha_1^2\alpha_2^2 \dots \alpha_k^2x_1, \alpha_2^2\alpha_3^2 \dots \alpha_{k+1}^2x_2, \dots),$$

$$T^{*k}T^{k+1}(x) = (0, \alpha_1^2\alpha_2^2 \dots \alpha_k^2\alpha_{k+1}x_1, \alpha_2^2\alpha_3^2 \dots \alpha_{k+1}^2\alpha_{k+2}x_2, \dots),$$

$$T^{*(k+1)}T^{k+1}(x) = (\alpha_1^2\alpha_2^2 \dots \alpha_k^2\alpha_{k+1}^2x_1, \alpha_2^2\alpha_3^2 \dots \alpha_{k+1}^2\alpha_{k+2}^2x_2, \dots),$$

$$T^{*(k+1)}T^{k+2}(x) = (0, \alpha_1^2\alpha_2^2 \dots \alpha_{k+1}^2\alpha_{k+2}x_1, \alpha_2^2\alpha_3^2 \dots \alpha_{k+2}^2\alpha_{k+3}x_2, \dots),$$

$$T^{*(k+2)}T^{k+2}(x) = (\alpha_1^2\alpha_2^2 \dots \alpha_{k+1}^2\alpha_{k+2}^2x_1, \alpha_2^2\alpha_3^2 \dots \alpha_{k+2}^2\alpha_{k+3}^2x_2, \dots),$$

$$TT^*T^k(x) = (\overbrace{0, 0, 0, \dots, 0}^{(k)\text{-time}}, \alpha_1\alpha_2 \dots \alpha_k^3x_1, \alpha_2\alpha_3 \dots \alpha_{k+1}^3x_2, \dots),$$

$$T^*TT^*T^k(x) = (\overbrace{0, 0, 0, \dots, 0}^{(k-1)\text{-time}}, \alpha_1\alpha_2 \dots \alpha_k^4x_1, \alpha_2\alpha_3 \dots \alpha_{k+1}^4x_2, \dots),$$

$$T^{*k}TT^*T^k(x) = (\alpha_1^2\alpha_2^2 \dots \alpha_{k-1}^2\alpha_k^4x_1, \alpha_2^2\alpha_3^2 \dots \alpha_k^2\alpha_{k+1}^4x_2, \dots).$$

Now consider

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle T^{*k}(T^{*2}T^2 - 2TT^* + I)T^kx, x \rangle \\ &= \langle (T^{*(k+2)}T^{k+2} - 2T^{*k}TT^*T^k + T^{*(k)}T^k)x, x \rangle \\ &= \langle (\alpha_1^2\alpha_2^2 \dots \alpha_{k+1}^2\alpha_{k+2}^2 - 2\alpha_1^2\alpha_2^2 \dots \alpha_{k-1}^2\alpha_k^4 + \alpha_1^2\alpha_2^2 \dots \alpha_k^2)x_1, x_1 \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle (\alpha_2^2\alpha_3^2 \dots \alpha_{k+2}^2\alpha_{k+3}^2 - 2\alpha_2^2\alpha_3^2 \dots \alpha_k^2\alpha_{k+1}^4 + \alpha_2^2\alpha_3^2 \dots \alpha_{k+1}^2)x_2, x_2 \rangle + \dots \\ &= \alpha_1^2\alpha_2^2 \dots \alpha_k^2(\alpha_{k+1}^2\alpha_{k+2}^2 - 2\alpha_k^2 + 1)\|x_1\|^2 \\ &\quad + \alpha_2^2\alpha_3^2 \dots \alpha_{k+1}^2(\alpha_{k+2}^2\alpha_{k+3}^2 - 2\alpha_{k+1}^2 + 1)\|x_2\|^2 + \dots \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$



Because

$$\begin{aligned} & \alpha_{n+k}^2 \alpha_{n+k+1}^2 - 2\alpha_{n+k-1}^2 + 1 \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2^{n+k}}\right)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2^{n+k+1}}\right)^2 - 2\left(\frac{1}{2^{n+k-1}}\right)^2 + 1 \geq 0, k \geq 1, n \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

From  $T(e_k) = \frac{1}{2^k} e_{k+1}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} T^2(e_k) &= \frac{1}{2^k} \cdot \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} e_{k+2} \\ &\cdot \\ &\cdot \\ &\cdot \\ T^n(e_k) &= \frac{1}{2^k} \cdot \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{1}{2^{k+n-1}} e_{k+n}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\|T^n\| = \sup_k \left\| \frac{1}{2^k} \cdot \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \dots \frac{1}{2^{k+n-1}} \right\| = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2^2} \dots \frac{1}{2^n}$ ,

$$r(T) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T^n\|^{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{\frac{n \cdot (n+1)}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{n+1}{2}} = 0.$$

Hence, operator  $T$  is quasi nilpotent.

But operator  $T$  is not quasi hyponormal.

From [3, Proposition 3.4] we have that the operator  $T$  is quasi hyponormal if and only if  $|\alpha_n| \leq |\alpha_{n+1}|$ . In this case we have that  $|\alpha_n| \not\leq |\alpha_{n+1}|$ , so it is not quasi hyponormal.

In following example we will prove that the  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  and  $k$ -quasi  $-* -$  parnormal operator are two different classes.

**Example 2.2.** Let  $T_x$  be the weighted shift operator with nonzero weights where

$$\alpha_0 = x, \alpha_1 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}, \alpha_2 = \sqrt{\frac{3}{4}}, \dots, \alpha_n = \sqrt{\frac{n+1}{n+2}}, \dots, \alpha_{n+k} = \sqrt{\frac{n+k+1}{n+k+2}}, n \geq 1, k \geq 1.$$

Then we have the following results:

1) From [5, Corrolary 2.2] operator  $T_x$  is of an operator of  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  if and only if

$$\alpha_{n+k}^2 \alpha_{n+k+1}^2 - 2\alpha_{n+k-1}^2 + 1 \geq 0.$$

So after some calculation we see that this is true only if

$$0 < x \leq \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}.$$

2) From [8, Example 1.2] operator  $T_x$  is of an operator of  $k$ -quasi  $-* -$  parnormal if and only if

$$\alpha_{n+k-1}^2 \leq \alpha_{n+k} \alpha_{n+k+1}.$$

So after some calculation we see that this is true only if

$$0 < x \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{2}}.$$

3) So, if

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{2}} < x \leq \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2},$$

operator  $T_x$  is an operator of  $k$ -quasi class  $Q^*$  but not  $k$ -quasi- $*$ -paranormal.

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