# On the bi-extended eigenvalues and bi-extended eigenvectors

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الملخص

تركز هذاالبحث حول مفاهيم القيم الذاتية الموسعة الثنائية و المتجهات الذاتية الموسعة الثائية. سوف نتحرى حول العدد المعقد  $\lambda$  المعطاه بحيث أن A و  $\lambda$  مؤثر متشابه او شبه متشابة حيث A, B مؤثران مقيدان معرفة على فضاء هيلبرت  $\mathcal{H}$ .

#### Abstract

This paper focuses on the concepts of bi-extended eigenvalues and biextended eigenvectors. It investigates the complex number  $\lambda$  that makes A and  $\lambda$ B Similar or Quasi-Similar operators where A, B are bounded linear operators defined on Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ .

**Keywords:** bi-extended eigenvalue, bi-extended eigenvector, Similar operator, Quasi-Similar operator.

#### 1. Introduction and terminology

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a separable complex Hilbert space and  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  the algebra of all bounded linear operators on  $\mathcal{H}$ . For any operator A in  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , the spectrum of A are denoted by  $\sigma(A)$ . The adjoint of  $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  is denoted by  $T^*$ . A complex number  $\lambda$  is called an extended eigenvalue of  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  if there exists a non-zero operator  $X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  satisfying the equation  $AX = \lambda XA$ . Such an operator X is called extended eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda$ , for more details see [1,2,3]. The set of all extended eigenvalues of A is denoted by E(A), and the set of all extended eigenvectors of A corresponding to  $\lambda$  is denoted by  $E_{\lambda}(A)$ . It is clear that  $E_1(A)$  hold and equal to  $\{A\}'$ , such that  $\{A\}'$  is the commutate of A. Now we define the complex number  $\lambda$  is biextended eigenvalue for the operators  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , if there exists a nonzero operator  $X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  such that  $AX = \lambda XB$ .

The set of all bi-extended eigenvalues denote by E(A, B), the operator X is said to be bi-extended eigenvector; while the set of all bi-extended eigenvectors denote by  $E_{\lambda}(A, B)$ . It is noteworthy that if A and B are two bounded linear operators on a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ , then A is similar to B if there exists invertible operator  $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , such that AT = TB. These operators are denoted by A~B. If  $\mathcal{H}_1$  and  $\mathcal{H}_2$  are Hilbert spaces and  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}_1)$  and  $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}_2)$ , then A is Quasi-Similar to B if there exist two injective with dense range bounded operators  $T_1$  from  $\mathcal{H}_1$  to  $\mathcal{H}_2$  and  $T_2$ from  $\mathcal{H}_2$  to  $\mathcal{H}_1$ , such that  $T_1A = BT_1$  and  $AT_2 = T_2B$ . This is denoted by  $A \approx B$  [6]. Now we define the set S(A, B) of all complex number  $\lambda$ , such that the operator A is similar to the operator  $\lambda B$ , that is S(A, B) = $\{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}: A \sim \lambda B\}$ , if  $\lambda \in S(A, B)$ . Then  $S_{\lambda}(A, B)$  refers to the set of all invertible operators X, such that  $AX = \lambda XB$ . Also, the set QS(A, B) of all complex number  $\lambda$  is define, such that the operator A is Quasi-Similar to the operator  $\lambda B$ . Therefore,  $QS(A, B) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}: A \approx \lambda B\}$  if  $\lambda \in QS(A, B)$ . Then,  $QS_{\lambda}(A, B)$  refers to the set all injective and dense range operators X, such that  $AX = X(\lambda B)$ . This study will always assume that A, B are nonzero operators. This paper examines the sets S(A, B) and QS(A, B), the relations between these sets and the set E(A, B); as well as giving some properties and important results.

# 2. Concepts of the bi-extended eigenvalues and bi-extended eigenvectors.

This section defines the concepts of the bi-extended eigenvalues and biextended eigenvectors.

**Definition** (2.1): We say that the complex number  $\lambda$  is bi-extended eigenvalue for the operators A and  $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , if there exists a nonzero operator  $X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , such that

$$AX = \lambda XB$$

(1)

The set of all bi-extended eigenvalues is denoted by E(A, B), the operator X is said to be bi-extended eigenvector; while the set of all bi extended eigenvectors is denoted by  $E_{\lambda}(A, B)$ , that is,

 $E(A, B) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}: \text{there exists a nonzero operator } X \text{ satisfying } AX = \lambda XB \}$  $E_{\lambda}(A, B) = \{X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}): X \neq 0 \text{ and } AX = \lambda XB \}$ 

**Proposition** (2.2) : Let *A* and  $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ . Then,  $\tilde{E}_{\lambda}(A, B) = E_{\lambda}(A, B) \cup \{0\}$  is closed linear subspace of  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ .

**Proof:** First, we can prove that  $\tilde{E}_{\lambda}(A, B)$  is linear subspace of  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ . Suppose that  $T_1, T_2 \in \tilde{E}_{\lambda}(A, B)$ , and  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ , then  $AT_1 = \lambda T_1 B$  and  $AT_2 = \lambda T_2 B$ . Hence,  $A(\alpha T_1 + \beta T_2) = (\alpha A T_1 + \beta A T_2) = (\alpha \lambda T_1 B + \beta \lambda T_2 B) = \lambda(\alpha T_1 + \beta T_2) B$ . Therefore,  $\alpha T_1 + \beta T_2 \in \tilde{E}_{\lambda}(A, B)$ . Now, it shall be assume that  $T_n \in \tilde{E}_{\lambda}(A, B)$  for each positive integer number n, such that  $T_n \to T$ . Then  $AT_n \to AT$  and  $\lambda T_n B \to \lambda T B$ , since  $AT_n = \lambda T_n B$  for every n, then  $AT = \lambda T B$ . Thus  $T \in \tilde{E}_{\lambda}(A, B)$ . Then,  $\tilde{E}_{\lambda}(A, B)$  is closed linear subspace of  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ .

**Theorem (2.3) [2]:** If *A* and *B* are two operators on Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ , such that  $\sigma(A) \cap \sigma(B) = \phi$ , then X = 0 is the only solution to the operator equation AX - XB = 0.

**Proposition** (2.4): For any two operators,  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , there is  $E(A, B) \subset \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \sigma(A) \cap \sigma(\lambda B) \neq \phi\}.$ 

**Proof:** Suppose that  $\lambda \in E(A, B)$ . Then, there exists a nonzero operator  $X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , such that  $AX = \lambda XB$ . Therefore  $\sigma(A) \cap \sigma(\lambda B) \neq \phi$ , by theorem (2.3). Hence,  $\lambda \in \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \sigma(A) \cap \sigma(\lambda B) \neq \phi\}$ . Thus  $E(A, B) \subset \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \sigma(A) \cap \sigma(\lambda B) \neq \phi\}$ .

**Example (2.5):** If *U* is Unilateral shift operator and *T* has dense range, then the only solution of  $UX = \lambda XT$  is X = 0.

**Solution:** It is clear that if  $\lambda = 0$ , then UX = 0 solution BUX = 0, thus X = 0. So, assume that  $\lambda \neq 0$  and  $UX = \lambda XT$ . Then  $X^*U^* = \overline{\lambda}T^*X^*$ . Let  $\{e_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  be the usual orthonormal basis. Hence,  $Ue_i = e_{i+1}$  and  $U^*e_{i+1} = e_i$  for every  $i = 1, 2, ..., U^*e_1 = 0$ . Now, since *T* has dense range, then  $T^*$  is injective. So,  $X^*U^*(e_0) = \overline{\lambda}T^*X^*(e_0)$ , yields  $0 = \overline{\lambda}T^*X^*(e_0)$ , since  $\lambda \neq 0$  and  $T^*$  is injective, then  $X^*(e_0) = 0$  and  $X^*U^*(e_1) = \overline{\lambda}T^*X^*(e_1)$ , so that  $X^*(e_0) = \overline{\lambda}T^*X^*(e_1)$ . Therefore,  $X^*(e_1) = 0$ . By employing a similar manner and using the mathematical induction, there is  $X^*(e_n) = 0$ , for each *n*. Then, X = 0.

**Proposition** (2.6): Suppose that A and B are two operators on finite dimensional space  $\mathcal{H}$ :

- 1- If *A* and *B* are not invertible, then  $E(A, B) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \sigma(A) \cap \sigma(\lambda B) \neq \phi\} = \mathbb{C}$ .
- 2- If *A* and *B* are invertible, then  $E(A, B) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \sigma(A) \cap \sigma(\lambda B) \neq \phi\}$ .

**Proof:** The case when *A* and *B* are not invertible is considered firstly. In this case, both *A* and *B*<sup>\*</sup> have non-trivial kernels. Let  $\hat{X}$ : Ker(*B*<sup>\*</sup>)  $\rightarrow$ Ker(*A*) be a nonzero operator. Define  $X = \hat{X}\mathcal{P}$ , where  $\mathcal{P}$  denotes the orthogonal projection on kernel of *B*<sup>\*</sup>. Clearly,  $X \neq 0$ . Note further that AX = 0, since for every  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ , there is  $A(\hat{X}\mathcal{P}(f)) = 0$ . By defining  $\hat{X}$ , there is  $\hat{X}\mathcal{P}(f) \in \text{Ker}(A)$  for each  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ , there is AX = 0 and XB = 0. In other words,  $\hat{X}\mathcal{P}(B(f)) = 0$ , since  $\hat{X}\mathcal{P}(B(f))$  for each  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ .  $B(f) \in Rang(B) = (\text{Ker}(B^*))^{\perp}$ . Then,  $B(f) \in (\text{Ker}(B^*))^{\perp}$ , but  $\mathcal{P}(B(f)) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } B(f) \notin \text{Ker}(B^*) \\ B(f) & \text{if } B(f) \in \text{Ker}(B^*) \end{cases}$  (2)

If  $B(f) \notin \text{Ker}(B^*)$ , then  $\mathcal{P}(B(f)) = 0$  is hold. If  $B(f) \in \text{Ker}(B^*)$ ; therefore,  $B(f) \in \text{Ker}(B^*) \cap (\text{Ker}(B^*))^{\perp} = \{0\}$ . Then,  $\mathcal{P}(B(f)) = 0$ . Since  $\dot{X}$  is a nonzero linear operator, then  $\dot{X}(0) = 0$ ; thus, XB = 0. Hence,  $AX = \lambda XB$  for any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ . Consequently,  $E(A, B) = \mathbb{C}$ . Since A and B are not invertible for any complex number  $\lambda, 0 \in \sigma(A) \cap \sigma(\lambda B)$ , thus  $\{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \sigma(A) \cap \sigma(\lambda B) \neq \phi\} = \mathbb{C}$ .

Secondly, the study considers the case when *A* and *B* are invertible so that  $0 \notin \sigma(A) \cap \sigma(\lambda B)$ . To show that  $\{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \sigma(A) \cap \sigma(\lambda B) \neq 0\} \subseteq E(A, B)$ , then suppose that  $\beta$  is a (necessarily non-zero) complex number such that  $\beta \in \sigma(A)$  and  $\beta \in \sigma(\lambda B)$ . Since  $\beta \in \sigma(A)$ , then there exists a vector *u* such that  $Au = \beta u$ . On the other hand,  $\beta \in \sigma(\lambda B)$  which implies that  $\lambda \neq 0$ ; so,  $\beta/\lambda \in \sigma(B)$  and  $(\beta/\lambda) \in \sigma(B^*)$  as well as there is a vector *v* 

such that  $B^*v = \overline{(\beta/\lambda)}v$ . Let  $X = u \otimes v$ , then  $AX = \lambda XB$ . So, for every

$$f \in \mathcal{H}$$
. Then,  $AXf = A(u \otimes v)f = (A(f, v)u) = (f, v)Au = \beta(f, v)u$  and  
 $\lambda XBf = \lambda ((u \otimes v)B)(f)) = \lambda (B(f), v)u = \lambda (f, B^*v)u =$   
 $\lambda (f, \overline{\binom{\beta}{\lambda}}v)u = \beta(f, v)u$ ; consequently,  $\beta \in E(A, B)$ .

The Similar and Quasi-Similar on E(A, B) will be define using the same way of E(A, B).

**Definition** (2.7): Suppose that  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , then:  $S(A, B) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : A \text{ is Similar to } \lambda B\}.$  $QS(A, B) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : A \text{ is Quasisimilar to } \lambda B\}.$ 

One can prove easily the following remark:

**Remark** (2.8): Suppose that A and B are nonzero operators in  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ . Then:

- 1-  $S(0,0) = \mathbb{C}, S(A,0) = \emptyset$  and  $S(0,B) = \{0\}.$
- 2-  $S(\alpha I, I) = \{\alpha\}$ ; also if  $\alpha \neq 0$ , then  $S(I, \alpha I) = \{1/\alpha\}$ , where I is the identity

operator.

- 3-  $S(\alpha A, B) = S(A, 1/\alpha B)$  for every nonzero complex number  $\alpha$ .
- 4- S(A, B) ⊆ QS(A, B) ⊆ E(A, B).
  Proof: (1) It is clarified in definition (2.7).
  (2) There is S(αI, I) = {λ ∈ C: αI is Similar to λI} = {α}. By the same way, it has been proved that S(I, αI) = {<sup>1</sup>/<sub>α</sub>}, where α ≠ 0.
  - (3) Using the same definition,  $S(\alpha A, B) = S(A, 1/\alpha B)$  for every nonzero

complex number  $\alpha$ .

(4) Using the same way in [7], and since every invertible is injective, this is also nonzero; we have  $S(A, B) \subseteq QS(A, B) \subseteq E(A, B)$ .

Based on Remark (2.8), S(A, B) is not necessary equal to S(B, A).

**Theorem (2.9):** Suppose that *A* and *B* are two bounded operators such that *A* or  $A^*$  is injective and  $\lambda^n = 1$  for some positive integer number  $n, \lambda \neq 1$ . If  $AX = \lambda XB$  (Brief  $X \in \tilde{E}_{\lambda}(A, B)$ ), then the operators

$$Y_i = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda^{ij} A^{n-j-1} X B^j, i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$$

are the unique operators that satisfy  $AY_i = \lambda^i Y_i A$ , i = 1, 2, ..., n - 1.

**Proof:** Suppose that A or  $A^*$  is injective and  $\lambda^n = 1$  for some positive integer number  $n, \lambda \neq 1$ . So if  $X \in \widetilde{E}_{\lambda}(A, B)$ , then  $AX = \lambda XB$ . So,  $A^n X = \lambda^n XB^n$  and  $A^n X = XB^n$ . Let  $Y_i = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda^{ij} A^{n-j-1} XB^j$ , then  $AY_i = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda^{ij} A^{n-j} XB^j = A^n X + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \lambda^{ij} A^{n-j} XB^j$  $= XB^n + \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda^{ij} A^{n-j} XB^j = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda^{i(k+1)} A^{n-k-1} XB^{k+1} = \left(\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda^{ik} A^{n-k-1} XB^k\right) (\lambda^i B) = \lambda^i Y_i B$ 

$$\sum_{j=1}^{k=0} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{k=0} \right)^{(k-j)-1}$$
  
Since  $\lambda^n = 1, \lambda \neq 1$ . Then  $1 - \lambda^n = 0$ . So,  $(1 - \lambda)(1 + \lambda + \dots + \lambda^{n-1}) =$ 

0. Generally  $\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \lambda^{ij} = 0$ , when  $j \neq 0$  and the sum is *n* when j = 0.

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} Y_i = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda^{ij} A^{n-j-1} X B^j = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} A^{n-j-1} X B^j \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \lambda^{ij} = n A^{n-1} X$$

Now, suppose that  $Z_0, Z_1, \dots, Z_{n-1}$  are operators such that  $nA^{n-1}X = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} Z_i$  and  $AZ_i = \lambda^i Z_i B$ , for each i, there is  $nA^{n-1}Y_i = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda^{ij} A^{n-j-1} (nA^{n-1}X)B^j = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \lambda^{ij} A^{n-j-1} (\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} Z_k)B^j$  $= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \lambda^{ij} A^{n-j-1}B^j \lambda^{-ki} Z_k$ , when B = A, then  $nA^{n-1}Y_i = nA^{n-1}Z_i$ .

If A is injective, then  $A^{n-1}Y_i = A^{n-1}Z_i$  which implies that  $Y_i = Z_i$ . If  $A^*$  is injective, then  $A^{n-1}$  has dense range and  $Y_iA^{n-1} = \lambda^{-i(n-1)}A^{n-1}Y_i = \lambda^{-i(n-1)}A^{n-1}Z_i = A^{n-1}Z_i$  which implies that  $Y_i = Z_i$ .

The following example shows that  $E(A, B) \neq S(A, B)$ .

**Example (2.10):** Let 
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{pmatrix}$$
,  $X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , then:  
 $AX = \alpha XB$ . So that  $\alpha \in E(A, B)$  and  $\alpha \notin S(A, B)$ .

# **3.** Some Properties of bi-extended eigenvalues and bi-extended eigenvectors

This section studies the bi-extended eigenvalues and bi-extended eigenvectors for the operators A and B when A is Similar (Quasi-Similar) to B.

**Proposition** (3.1): Suppose that  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , then:

1- If 
$$A \sim B$$
, then  $E(A, B) = E(A) = E(B)$ .

2- If  $A \approx B$ , then E(A, B) = E(B, A).

3- If  $\lambda \neq 0$ , then  $E(A,B) = E(I - A, \frac{1}{\lambda}I - B)$ , where I is the identity

operator.

**Proof:** (1) It is clear that E(A) = E(B) from [7]. Therefore, it is enough to prove E(A, B) = E(A).

Suppose that  $\lambda \in E(A, B)$ , then there exists a nonzero operator X such that  $AX = \lambda XB$ . Since A is similar to B. Then there exists an invertible operator T such that  $B = T^{-1}AT$ , there is  $AX = \lambda X(T^{-1}AT)$ . So  $A(XT^{-1}) = \lambda(XT^{-1})A$ . Since  $XT^{-1} \neq 0$ . Then  $\lambda \in E(A)$ . Thus  $E(A, B) \subseteq E(A)$ .

Conversely, assume that  $\lambda \in E(A)$ , then there exists a nonzero operator *Y* such that  $AY = \lambda YA$ .

Since *A* is Similar to *B*. Then  $A = TBT^{-1}$ , by substituting *A* on the right side of  $AY = \lambda YA$ , there is  $AY = \lambda Y(TBT^{-1})$ . So,  $A(YT) = \lambda (YT)B$ . Since  $YT \neq 0$ , there is  $\lambda \in E(A, B)$ . So,  $E(A) \subseteq E(A, B)$ . Then E(A, B) = E(A).

(2) Suppose that  $\lambda \in E(A, B)$ , then there exists a nonzero operator X such that  $AX = \lambda XB$ , since A is Quasisimilar to B. Then there exists two operators Y, Z that are injective with dense range such that AY = YB, ZA = BZ. So,  $AX = \lambda XB$ , then  $ZAX = \lambda ZXB$ . Thus,  $BZX = \lambda ZXB$ . By multiplying both sides by Z, there is  $B(ZXZ) = \lambda(ZXZ)A$ , since  $X \neq 0$  and Z is injective with dense range. Then  $ZXZ \neq 0$ . Thus,  $\lambda \in E(B, A)$ .

Assume that  $\alpha \in E(B, A)$ , then there exists a nonzero operator *T* such that  $BT = \alpha TA$ , since *A* is Quasi-similar to *B*. Then there exists two operators *Y*, *Z* which are injective with dense range such that  $YBT = \alpha YTA$ . So,  $AYT = \alpha YTA$ . By multiplying both sides by *Y*, there is  $A(YTY) = \alpha(YTY)B$ , since  $T \neq 0$  and *Y* is injective with dense range, there is  $YTY \neq 0$ . Then  $\alpha \in E(A, B)$ . Therefore, E(A, B) = E(B, A).

(3) Since  $\lambda \neq 0$  and by definition of E(A, B), there is  $AX = \lambda XB$ .

So,  $(I - A)X = \lambda X(1/\lambda I - B)$  and  $E(A, B) = E(I - A, 1/\lambda I - B)$ .

**Corollary** (3.2): Suppose that  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ . Then:

1- If  $A \sim B$ , then S(A, B) = S(A) = S(B) and QS(A, B) = QS(A) = QS(B).

2- If  $A \approx B$ , then S(A, B) = S(B, A) and QS(A, B) = QS(B, A).

Some properties for the bi-extended eigenvalues are given in the following proposition.

**Proposition** (3.3): Suppose that  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ . Then:

1- If  $\lambda \in E(A, B)$ , then  $\lambda^n \in E(A^n, B^n)$  for every positive integer number *n*; also

if  $\lambda \in S(A, B)(QS(A, B))$ , then  $\lambda^n \in S(A^n, B^n)(QS(A^n, B^n))$ .

2-  $S(B,A)^{-1} = S(A,B), QS(B,A)^{-1} = QS(A,B)$  and if A and B are an invertible operators, so  $S(B^{-1}, A^{-1}) = S(A,B)$  and  $QS(B^{-1}, A^{-1}) = QS(A,B)$ , then  $S(B,A)^{-1} = S(B^{-1}, A^{-1}), QS(B,A)^{-1} = QS(B^{-1}, A^{-1})$ .

**Proof:** (1) Let  $\lambda \in E(A, B)$ , then there exists a nonzero operator T such that  $AT = \lambda TB$ . So,  $AAT = \lambda ATB$ , and  $A^2T = \lambda^2 TB^2$  in general  $A^nT = \lambda^n TB^n$  for every positive integer number n. Thus,  $\lambda^n \in E(A^n, B^n)$ .

Using the same way,  $\lambda \in S(A, B)(QS(A, B))$  can be proved. Then  $\lambda^n \in S(A^n, B^n)(QS(A^n, B^n))$  for every positive integer number *n*.

(2)  $S(B, A)^{-1} = S(A, B)$  will be proven and the other one can be proved by employing the same way. Suppose that  $\lambda \in S(A, B)$ , then there exists an invertible operator *T* such that  $T^{-1}AT = \lambda B$ . So,  $1/\lambda A = (T^{-1})^{-1}BT^{-1}$ 

and  $1/\lambda \in S(B,A)$ . Then  $\lambda \in S(B,A)^{-1}$ . Hence  $S(A,B) \subseteq S(B,A)^{-1}$ . So,

the prove of  $S(B,A)^{-1} \subseteq S(A,B)$  is Similar. Thus  $S(B,A)^{-1} = S(A,B)$ . If A and B are invertible operators, then  $S(B^{-1},A^{-1}) = S(A,B)$  can be proved.

Let  $\lambda \in S(A, B)$ , then there exists an invertible operator T such that  $T^{-1}AT = \lambda B$ . So,  $AT = \lambda TB$ , since A and B are invertible, there exists  $TB^{-1} = \lambda AT^{-1}$ ,  $B^{-1}(T^{-1}) = \lambda(T^{-1})A^{-1}$  and  $\lambda \in S(B^{-1}, A^{-1})$ . Therefore,  $S(A, B) \subseteq S(B^{-1}, A^{-1})$  and  $S(B^{-1}, A^{-1}) \subseteq S(A, B)$ . Using the same way,  $QS(B^{-1}, A^{-1}) = QS(A, B)$  can be proved. Similarly, the Similar S(A, B) can be proved. Based on  $S(B, A)^{-1} = S(A, B)$  and  $S(B^{-1}, A^{-1}) = S(A, B)$ , where A and B are an invertible operators, there exists  $S(B, A)^{-1} = S(B^{-1}, A^{-1})$ ; also, when A and B are invertible operators, there exists  $QS(B, A)^{-1} = QS(B^{-1}, A^{-1})$ .

**Proposition** (3.4): The operators  $A, B, C, D, X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , then:

- 1-  $\widetilde{E}_{\alpha}(A, B)\widetilde{E}_{\beta}(B, C) \subset \widetilde{E}_{\alpha\beta}(A, C)$ . In particular, if A = C, then  $\widetilde{E}_{\alpha}(A, B)\widetilde{E}_{\beta}(B, A) \subset \widetilde{E}_{\alpha\beta}(A)$ .
- 2-  $\widetilde{E}_1(A, B)\widetilde{E}_{\alpha}(B, A)\widetilde{E}_1(A, B) \subset \widetilde{E}_{\alpha}(A, B).$
- 3- If  $X \in E_{\alpha}(A, B) \cap E_{\beta}(C, D)$ , then  $X \in E_{\alpha\beta}(CA, DB) \cap E_{\alpha\beta}(AC, BD)$ .

**Proof:** (1) Suppose that  $X \in \tilde{E}_{\alpha}(A, B)$  and  $Y \in \tilde{E}_{\beta}(B, C)$ , then  $AX = \alpha XB$ ,  $BY = \beta YC$ . So,  $AXY = \alpha XBY$ ,  $A(XY) = \alpha\beta(XY)C$  and  $XY \in \tilde{E}_{\alpha\beta}(A, C)$ . This is clear in certain case.

(2) Let  $T \in \widetilde{E}_{\alpha}(B, A)$  and  $X, Y \in \widetilde{E}_{1}(A, B)$ , then  $BT = \alpha TA$ , AX = XB and AY = YA. So,  $XBTY = \alpha XTAY$ ,  $A(XTY) = \alpha(XTY)B$  and  $XTY \in \widetilde{E}_{\alpha}(A, B)$ . Thus,  $\widetilde{E}_{1}(A, B)\widetilde{E}_{\alpha}(B, A)\widetilde{E}_{1}(A, B) \subset \widetilde{E}_{\alpha}(A, B)$ .

(3) Since  $X \in E_{\alpha}(A, B)$  and  $X \in E_{\beta}(C, D)$ , then  $AX = \alpha XB$  and  $CX = \beta XD$ . So,  $AXD = \alpha XBD$ ,  $(AC)X = \alpha\beta X(BD)$ ,  $X \in E_{\alpha\beta}(AC, BD)$  and  $CAX = \alpha CXB$ . Therefore,  $(CA)X = \alpha\beta X(DB)$  and  $X \in E_{\alpha\beta}(CA, DB)$ . **Corollary (3.5):** The operators  $A, B, C, D, X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , then:

- 1-  $S_{\alpha}(A, B)\widetilde{E}_{\beta}(B, C) \subset \widetilde{E}_{\alpha\beta}(A, C)$  and  $QS_{\alpha}(A, B)\widetilde{E}_{\beta}(B, C) \subset \widetilde{E}_{\alpha\beta}(A, C)$ . In particular, if A = C, then  $S_{\alpha}(A, B)\widetilde{E}_{\beta}(B, A) \subset \widetilde{E}_{\alpha\beta}(A)$  and  $QS_{\beta}(A, B)\widetilde{E}_{\alpha}(B, A) \subset \widetilde{E}_{\alpha\beta}(A)$ .
- 2-  $S_{\alpha}(A, B)S_{\beta}(B, C) \subset S_{\alpha\beta}(A, C)$  and  $S_{\alpha}(A, B)QS_{\beta}(B, C) \subset QS_{\alpha\beta}(A, C)$ .
- 3-  $S_1(A, B)S_{\alpha}(B, A)S_1(A, B) \subset S_{\alpha}(A, B)$  and  $QS_1(A, B)QS_{\alpha}(B, A)QS_1(A, B) \subset QS_{\alpha}(A, B)$ . **Proof:** by employing the same way of proposition (3.4). ■

**Theorem (3.6):** Suppose that  $A \approx \tilde{A}$  and  $B \approx \tilde{B}$ , then  $E(A, B) = E(\tilde{A}, \tilde{B})$ .

**Proof:** Suppose that  $A \approx \tilde{A}$  and  $B \approx \tilde{B}$ , then there exists S, T, Z, W that are injective with dense range such that  $AS = S\tilde{A}$ ,  $TA = \tilde{A}T$ ,  $BZ = Z\tilde{B}$ ,  $WB = \tilde{B}W$ . Now, let  $\lambda \in E(A, B)$ , then there exists a nonzero operator X, such that  $AX = \lambda XB$ . So,  $TAXZ = \lambda TXBZ$  and  $\tilde{A}(TXZ) = \lambda(TXZ)\tilde{B}$ .

Since  $X \neq 0$  and T, Z are injective with dense range, then  $TXZ \neq 0$ . So,  $\lambda \in E(\tilde{A}, \tilde{B})$  and  $E(A, B) \subseteq E(\tilde{A}, \tilde{B})$ .

Conversely, let  $\lambda \in E(\tilde{A}, \tilde{B})$ , then there exists a nonzero operator *Y*, such that  $\tilde{A}Y = \lambda Y\tilde{B}$ . So,  $S\tilde{A}YW = \lambda SY\tilde{B}W$  and  $A(SYW) = \lambda(SYW)B$ . Since  $Y \neq 0$  and S, W are injective with dense range. Hence,  $SYW \neq 0$ , that is,  $\lambda \in E(A, B)$ . Therefore,  $E(\tilde{A}, \tilde{B}) \subseteq E(A, B)$  and  $E(\tilde{A}, \tilde{B}) = E(A, B)$ .

**Proposition** (3.7) [5]: Assume that *A* and *B* are two self adjoint operators, where *A* is injective; if  $\lambda \in E(A, B)$ , then  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Lemma (3.8):** Suppose that *A* is invertible operator and *B* is nilpotent operator. Then the equation  $AX = \lambda XB$  have only the zero solution.

**Proof:** Suppose *B* is nilpotent, then there exists a positive integer number *n* such that  $B^n = 0$ . Then  $AX = \lambda XB$ . So,  $A^2X = \lambda^2 XB^2$ . Hence,  $A^nX = \lambda^n XB^n$  for each n, since  $B^n = 0$ , there is  $A^nX = 0$ , and *A* is invertible, which implies that X = 0.

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