

## DRAZIN INVERSE: REPRESENTATION, APPROXIMATION, CONTINUITY AND ILLUSTRATIONS

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### Abstract

In this paper, we present some characteristics and expressions of the Drazin inverse for matrices and bounded linear operators in Banach spaces. We give a survey of some of results on the continuity of the Moore-Penrose and Drazin inverse, direct technics for computing the Drazin inverse are discussed, they are based on Euler-Knopp Method and characterized in terms of a limiting process. The examples presented are for illustrative purposes, some of which are provided for testing the considered iterative processes.

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## 1 Introduction and preliminary results

The main theme of this paper is the study of a generalized inverse introduced by M. P. Drazin, and its generalization due to J. J. Koliha.  $\mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  denotes the set of all  $m \times n$  matrices, with complex entries, equipped with the Euclidean norm. Suppose that  $(A_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a sequence of  $m \times n$  matrices, and  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ , then  $(A_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges to  $A$  if and only if the entries of  $A_j$  converge to the corresponding entries of  $A$ , as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ . Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ , Penrose has proved in [15] that the system:

$$AXA = A, \quad XAX = X, \quad (AX)^* = AX, \quad (XA)^* = XA$$

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has a unique solution, which he called the Moore-Penrose inverse of  $A$  and denoted by  $X = A^\dagger$ . Let us recall that for any  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ , we have  $(A^\dagger)^\dagger = A$ ,  $(A^*)^\dagger = (A^\dagger)^*$ ,  $(A^*A)^\dagger = A^\dagger(A^\dagger)^*$ , but in general,  $A^\dagger A \neq AA^\dagger$ .

Contrary to the usual inverse of a square matrix, it is well known that the Moore-Penrose inverse of a matrix is not necessarily a continuous function of the elements of the matrix. Indeed, let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we have  $(A + \varepsilon B)^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$ , hence  $(A + \varepsilon B) \rightarrow A$ , but  $(A + \varepsilon B)^{-1}$  has no limit when  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$ .

The following theorem gives necessary and sufficient conditions for the continuity of the Moore-Penrose inverse of matrix.

**Theorem 1.** ([15]) *Let  $A, A_j, j \in \mathbb{N}$ , be  $m \times n$  complex matrices such that  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j = A$ . Then,  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j^\dagger = A^\dagger$  if and only if there exists  $q \in \mathbb{N}$  for which  $\text{rank} A_j = \text{rank} A$ , for all  $j \geq q$ .*

Let  $\mathcal{B}(X)$  be the algebra of all bounded linear operators on a complex Banach space  $X$ ,  $\|\cdot\|$  represents the norm of  $X$ . For  $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)$ , write  $\mathcal{N}(A)$ ,  $\mathcal{R}(A)$ ,  $\sigma(A)$ ,  $\rho(A)$  and  $r(A)$ , as the null space, the range, the spectrum, the resolvent set and the spectral radius of  $A$ , respectively. For  $\lambda \in \rho(A)$ ,  $(\lambda - A)^{-1}$  is the resolvent operator of  $A$ .  $I$  denotes the identity operator on  $X$  and  $A^*$  is the adjoint operator of  $A$ . By  $\sigma'(A)$  we denote the set of all non-zero elements of  $\sigma(A)$ . By  $\text{iso}\sigma(A)$  we define the set of all isolated spectral points of  $A$ . If  $M$  is a subspace of  $X$ , then  $A|_M$  denotes the restriction of  $A$  to  $M$ . It is well known (see e.g. [3]) that  $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)$  has closed range if and only if there exists a unique operator  $A^\dagger \in \mathcal{B}(X)$ , the Moore-Penrose inverse of  $A$ , which satisfies the following properties:

$$AA^\dagger A = A, \quad A^\dagger AA^\dagger = A^\dagger, \quad (AA^\dagger)^* = AA^\dagger \quad \text{and} \quad (A^\dagger A)^* = A^\dagger A.$$

In general, if  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j = A$  uniformly,  $(A_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ ,  $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)$ , and each  $A_j$  has a closed range, then  $A$  need not have a closed range.

**Example 1.** *Let  $X = l_2$  the space of square-summable complex sequences. Define  $A_j, j \in \mathbb{N}^*$ , and  $A$  on  $l_2$  by:*

$$A_j(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_j, x_{j+1}, \dots) = \left( x_1, \frac{x_2}{2}, \dots, \frac{x_j}{j}, 0, 0, \dots \right),$$

$$A(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_j, x_{j+1}, \dots) = \left( x_1, \frac{x_2}{2}, \dots, \frac{x_j}{j}, \frac{x_{j+1}}{j+1}, \dots \right).$$

*Each  $A_j$  is of finite rank and thus with closed range and Moore-Penrose invertible operator. It is also clear that the sequence  $(A_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}^*}$  is uniformly convergent to  $A$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ . But the limit  $A$  does not have a closed range in  $l_2$  because  $A$  is a compact operator.*

The continuity of the Moore-Penrose inverse of an operator on Hilbert spaces has been studied by Izumino [7]. If  $X$  is a Hilbert space, let  $(A_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence in  $\mathcal{B}(X)$ ,  $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)$ , and  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j = A$ . If  $A_j^\dagger$ , for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $A^\dagger$  exist, it is shown in [7] that the following four conditions are equivalent:

- (1)  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j^\dagger = A^\dagger$ . (2)  $\sup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \|A_j^\dagger\| < \infty$ .
- (3)  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j^\dagger A_j = A^\dagger A$ . (4)  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j A_j^\dagger = A A^\dagger$ .

The Drazin inverses of the elements of  $\mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  and  $\mathcal{B}(X)$  have been intensively studied by authors such as Ben-Israel and Greville [1] and King [8], one may also refer to [[5], [17]] for some interesting applications about the Drazin inverse in singular differential and difference equations, Markov chain, numerical analysis, ... In this paper, we shall give, by analogy with the Moore-Penrose inverse, representation and computational procedures for the Drazin inverse. Let's recall some well-known results obtained for the Drazin inverse of a square matrix and the Drazin inverse of a bounded linear operator.

Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ , with  $k = \text{ind}(A)$  the smallest positive number such that  $\text{rank} A^{k+1} = \text{rank} A^k$ , the Drazin inverse of  $A$  is defined to be the unique matrix  $X \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  that satisfying the following equations:

$$XAX = X, AX = XA \text{ and } A^{k+1}X = A^k. \tag{1}$$

It is denoted by  $X = A^D$ . In particular, a square matrix always has Drazin inverse and if  $\text{ind}(A) = 0$ , then  $A$  is invertible and  $A^D = A^\dagger = A^{-1}$ . Campbell and Meyer gave in [5] an explicit expression of the Drazin inverse of a square matrix via its canonical form representation.

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is such that  $\text{ind}(A) = k > 0$ , then there exists a non-singular matrix  $P$  such that:*

$$A = P \begin{pmatrix} C & 0 \\ 0 & N \end{pmatrix} P^{-1} \tag{2}$$

where  $C$  is non-singular and  $N$  is nilpotent of index  $k$ .

Furthermore, if  $P, C$  and  $N$  are any matrices satisfying the above conditions, then:

$$A^D = P \begin{pmatrix} C^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} P^{-1}. \tag{3}$$

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{e_1, \dots, e_r, e_{r+1}, \dots, e_n\}$  be a basis for  $\mathbb{C}^n$  such that  $\{e_1, \dots, e_r\}$  is a basis for  $\mathcal{R}(A^k)$  and  $\{e_{r+1}, \dots, e_n\}$  is a basis for  $\mathcal{N}(A^k)$ ,  $k = \text{ind}(A) > 0$ .  $\mathcal{R}(A^k)$  and  $\mathcal{N}(A^k)$  are invariant subspaces for  $A$  and  $A^k$  ( $A^k(\mathcal{N}(A^k)) = \{0\}$ ), on the other hand  $A$  restricted to  $\mathcal{R}(A^k)$ ,  $C = A|_{\mathcal{R}(A^k)}$ , is invertible and its restriction to  $\mathcal{N}(A^k)$ ,  $N = A|_{\mathcal{N}(A^k)}$ , is nilpotent of degree  $k$ . So, we obtain the block form for  $A$  if  $P = [e_1, \dots, e_n]$ . We can easily verify that the matrix  $A^D$  given by (3) satisfies the three equations (1) and then by uniqueness  $A^D$  is necessarily the Drazin inverse of  $A$ . □

A first application of this representation is the following result:

**Proposition 1.** *Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ , then  $AA^D A = A$  if and only if  $\text{ind}(A) \leq 1$ .*

*Proof.* If  $\text{ind}(A) = 0$ , then  $A$  is invertible,  $A^D = A^{-1}$  and  $AA^D A = AA^{-1}A = A$ .

Suppose that  $\text{ind}(A) \geq 1$ . Then by virtue of the canonical form representation (2) of  $A$  and the corresponding expression (3) of  $A^D$ , we have  $AA^D A = A$  if and only if  $N = 0$ . But  $N = 0$  is equivalent to  $\text{ind}(A) = 1$ .  $\square$

Several methods and efficient algorithms have been given for computation of Moore-Penrose inverse of singular matrices and bounded linear operators with closed range, where this generalized inverse can be represented as the limit of a sequence of matrices or operators, respectively. The principle is to construct an iterative process of computing a sequence that converges to the generalized inverse. In what follows we explain this process for the Drazin inverse of a matrix and for a bounded linear operator and we estimate the corresponding error bounds. We also study the continuity of the generalized Drazin inverse.

The purpose of Section 1 is to present definitions and results that will be used throughout the paper. In Section 2, we recall and discuss some computational procedures for the Drazin inverse of a square matrix. The aim of Section 3 is to investigate the continuity of Drazin inverse in finite-dimensional case. Necessary and sufficient conditions for the continuity of the Drazin inverse of a matrix are given. In Section 4, we present the Drazin inverse (generalized Drazin inverse) of an operator, its uniqueness, existence, and some basic properties. We give also a representation theorem and a computational procedure of the Drazin inverse. In Section 5, we discuss some remarkable properties of the generalized Drazin inverse and we study its continuity in  $\mathcal{B}(X)$ . The results of each section are described in detail and interpreted by interesting examples.

## 2 Computational procedure for the Drazin inverse of a matrix

For  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ ,  $A^D$  can be computed recursively by the well known algorithms [6]. We have chosen to explain here the procedure developed by [17] for the computational of Drazin inverse and corresponding error bound. Wei and Wu found in [17] a specific expression and computational procedures for Drazin inverse, they have established the following formula for  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  with real spectrum and  $\text{ind}(A) = k$ :

$$A^D = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} S_j(\tilde{A}) A^j, \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{\|A^D - S_j(\tilde{A}) A^j\|_P}{\|A^D\|_P} \leq \max_{x \in \sigma(\tilde{A})} |S_j(x)x - 1| + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon), \quad \varepsilon > 0,$$

where  $(S_j(x))_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a family of continuous real valued functions on an open set  $\Omega$  such that  $\sigma(\tilde{A}) \subset \Omega \subset ]0, \infty[$ , with  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} S_j(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  uniformly on the spectrum

$\sigma(\tilde{A})$  of  $\tilde{A} = (A^{l+1})_{|\mathcal{R}(A^k)}$  for  $l \geq k$ ,  $P$  is an invertible matrix such that  $P^{-1}AP$  is the Jordan canonical form of  $A$  and  $\|A\|_P = \|P^{-1}AP\|$ .

Consider the following sequence with parameter  $\alpha > 0$  :

$$S_j(x) = \alpha \sum_{m=0}^j (1 - \alpha x)^m, \tag{5}$$

which can be viewed as the Euler-Knopp transform of the series  $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (1 - x)^j$ . Clearly,  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} S_j(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  uniformly on any compact subset of the set:

$$E_\alpha = \{x : |1 - \alpha x| < 1\} = \left\{x : 0 < x < \frac{2}{\alpha}\right\}. \tag{6}$$

**Lemma 1.** *If  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  with  $\text{ind}(A) = k$ ,  $\tilde{A} = (A^{l+1})_{|\mathcal{R}(A^k)}$  for  $l \geq k$ , and the spectrum of  $A$  is real, then  $\sigma(\tilde{A}) \subset \left[\frac{1}{\|A^D\|^{l+1}}, \|A\|^{l+1}\right]$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r\}$  be the nonzero eigenvalues of  $A$  where  $\text{rank}(A^k) = r$ . Hence,  $0 < \lambda_i^{l+1} \in \sigma(\tilde{A}) \subseteq \sigma(A^{l+1})$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, r$ . It is clear that  $\text{ind}(A^{l+1}) = 1$  and  $\frac{1}{\lambda_i^{l+1}} \in \sigma((A^D)^{l+1})$  and thus  $\frac{1}{\lambda_i^{l+1}} \leq \|A^D\|^{l+1}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, r$ . Therefore,  $\lambda \geq \frac{1}{\|A^D\|^{l+1}}$  for every  $\lambda \in \sigma(\tilde{A})$ . Moreover, since  $\|A^{l+1}\| = \|(A^{l+1})_{|\mathcal{R}(A^k)}\|$ , we have  $\|\tilde{A}\| \leq \|A\|^{l+1}$  and then  $\lambda \leq \|A\|^{l+1}$  for every  $\lambda \in \sigma(\tilde{A})$ .  $\square$

Since, by Lemma 1,  $\sigma(\tilde{A}) \subset ]0, \|A\|^{l+1}]$ , if we choose the parameter  $\alpha$  such that  $0 < \alpha < \frac{2}{\|A\|^{l+1}}$ , and  $]0, \|A\|^{l+1}] \subseteq E_\alpha$  then we have the representation:

$$A^D = \alpha \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (I - \alpha A^{l+1})^j A^l. \tag{7}$$

Let us pose:

$$A_j = \alpha \sum_{m=0}^j (I - \alpha A^{l+1})^m A^l. \tag{8}$$

Then  $A_0 = \alpha A^l$ ,  $A_{j+1} = (I - \alpha A^{l+1}) A_j + A_0$ ,  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , and by construction  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j = A^D$ . Now, remark that the sequence of functions  $(S_j(x))_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  satisfies:

$$xS_{j+1}(x) - 1 = (1 - \alpha x)(xS_j(x) - 1), \quad j \in \mathbb{N}, \tag{9}$$

hence,

$$|xS_j(x) - 1| = |1 - \alpha x|^{j+1} \leq \left[ \max \left( \left|1 - \alpha \|A\|^{l+1}\right|, \left|1 - \frac{\alpha}{\|A^D\|^{l+1}}\right| \right) \right]^{j+1} \tag{10}$$

which tends to 0 as  $j \rightarrow \infty$  if  $x \in \sigma(\tilde{A})$  and  $0 < \alpha < \frac{2}{\|A\|^{l+1}}$ , and estimates by virtue of (4) the variation of the errors. So, we have shown the following approximation result.

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  with  $\text{ind}(A) = k$ ,  $\tilde{A} = (A^{l+1})_{|\mathcal{R}(A^k)}$  for  $l \geq k$ , and the spectrum of  $A$  is real. Then the sequence  $(A_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  defined by (8) converges to the Drazin inverse  $A^D$  of  $A$  if  $0 < \alpha < \frac{2}{\|A\|^{l+1}}$ . Furthermore, the error bound is:*

$$\frac{\|A_j - A^D\|_P}{\|A^D\|_P} \leq \beta^{j+1} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon), \varepsilon > 0$$

where  $\beta = \max\left(\left|1 - \alpha \|A\|^{l+1}\right|, \left|1 - \frac{\alpha}{\|A^D\|^{l+1}}\right|\right) < 1$ .

**Remark 1.** *We can significantly improve the convergence speed of this process using other iterative methods as Newton–Raphson method, Newton–Gregory interpolation formula, Hermite interpolation, ... (see e.g. [17]).*

**Example 2.** *We use the iterative algorithm previously developed to compute the Drazin inverse of the singular matrix:*

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

*It is easy to see that the minimal polynomial of  $A$  is given by  $\lambda^3 - 3\lambda^2$ , hence  $\sigma(A) = \{0, 0, 3\}$  and  $A^2 = 3A$ . An easy computations show that  $\text{ind}(A) = 1$  and that the Drazin inverse of  $A$  is given by  $\frac{1}{9}A$ . So we can choose  $\alpha = 10^{-2}$  and  $l = 1$ , since  $\|A\|^2 = 27$ . Then the iterations are given by:*

$$\begin{aligned} A_0 &= \alpha A = \begin{pmatrix} 0,01 & 0,01 & 0,01 \\ 0,01 & 0,01 & 0,01 \\ 0,01 & 0,01 & 0,01 \end{pmatrix}, \\ A_{j+1} &= BA_j + A_0, \quad B = (I - \alpha A^2) = (I - 3A_0), \quad j \in \mathbb{N}. \end{aligned}$$

*Thus,*

$$B = (I - 3A_0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0,97 & -0,03 & -0,03 \\ -0,03 & 0,97 & -0,03 \\ -0,03 & -0,03 & 0,97 \end{pmatrix},$$

*and*

$$A_j = (B^j + B^{j-1} + \dots + I) A_0 = \sum_{m=0}^j B^m A_0, \quad j \in \mathbb{N}.$$

The matrix  $B$  is diagonalizable,  $B = S^{-1}DS$ , where  $S$  is a non-singular matrix and  $D$  is diagonal:

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} -0,3333 & 0,6667 & -0,3333 \\ -0,3333 & -0,3333 & 0,6667 \\ 0,3333 & 0,3333 & 0,3333 \end{pmatrix}, S^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

and  $D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0,91 \end{pmatrix}.$

$$B^m = S^{-1}D^mS, m \in \{0, 1, \dots, j\},$$

$$A_j = S^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^j D^m SA_0 = S^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} (j+1) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & (j+1) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha_j \end{pmatrix} SA_0,$$

where  $\alpha_j = \sum_{m=0}^j (0,91)^m = \frac{1-(0,91)^{j+1}}{0,09}, j \in \mathbb{N}.$

$$A_j = \begin{pmatrix} -(j+1) & -(j+1) & \alpha_j \\ (j+1) & 0 & \alpha_j \\ 0 & (j+1) & \alpha_j \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0,01 & 0,01 & 0,01 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{\alpha_j}{100}A.$$

Since  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_j = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (0,91)^m = \frac{100}{9},$  it follows that  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j = \frac{1}{9}A = A^D.$

### 3 Continuity of the Drazin inverse of a matrix

The Drazin inverse of a matrix is not necessarily a continuous function of the elements of the matrix. In particular, It is easy to produce examples to show that Theorem 1 is not valid for the Drazin inverse (see [4]).

**Example 3.** 1) Let:

$$A_j = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{j} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then,  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j = A, \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j^D = A^D,$  but  $\text{rank}(A_j) > \text{rank}(A),$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}^*.$

2) Let:

$$A_j = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{j} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then,

$$A_j^D = \begin{pmatrix} j & j^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A^D = 0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus,  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j = A$ ,  $\text{rank}(A_j) = \text{rank}(A)$  and  $\text{ind}(A_j) = \text{ind}(A)$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}^*$ , but  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j^D \neq A^D$ .

Define the core-rank of  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  as rank of the matrix  $A^k$  where  $k = \text{ind}(A)$ . It is showed in [4] an analogous result, to that of Moore Penrose (Theorem 1), for the Drazin inverse of a square matrix.

**Theorem 4.** ([4]) Suppose that  $A_j, A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ ,  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , are such that  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j = A$ . Then,  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j^D = A^D$  if and only if there is  $q \in \mathbb{N}$  such that core-rank of  $A_j$  is equal to core-rank of  $A$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $j \geq q$ .

Similarly, from the Jordan canonical form for  $A_j$  and  $A$ ,  $A = C + N$ ,  $A_j = C_j + N_j$ , where  $C, N, C_j, N_j \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ ,  $C$  and  $C_j$  are non-singular and  $N$  and  $N_j$  are nilpotent, for every  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , it is immediate to give necessary and sufficient conditions for the continuity of the Drazin inverse of a matrix. If  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j = A$ ,

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j^D = A^D \iff \exists q \in \mathbb{N} : \text{rank}(C_j) = \text{rank}(C) \text{ for } j \geq q.$$

## 4 Remarkable properties and computational procedure for the GD-inverse

Recall that if  $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)$ , then  $a(A)$  and  $d(A)$ , respectively the ascent and the descent of  $A$ , is the smallest non-negative integer  $k$  such that  $\mathcal{N}(A^k) = \mathcal{N}(A^{k+1})$  and  $\mathcal{R}(A^k) = \mathcal{R}(A^{k+1})$ . If no such  $k$  exists, then  $a(A) = \infty$  and  $d(A) = \infty$ . It is well known that if the ascent and the descent of an operator are finite, then they are equal.  $A^D \in \mathcal{B}(X)$  is the Drazin inverse of  $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)$  if  $A^D A = A A^D$ ,  $A^D A A^D = A^D$  and  $A A^D A = A + Q$  where  $Q$  is a nilpotent operator on  $X$ .  $A^D$  is unique. The concept of Drazin invertible operators has been generalized by Koliha [9] by replacing the nilpotent operator  $Q$  in the equation  $A A^D A = A + Q$  by a quasi-nilpotent operator. In this case,  $A^D$  is called a generalized Drazin inverse (GD-inverse) of  $A$  and noted  $A^{GD}$ . Invertible operators, right invertible operators and left invertible operators are GD-invertible operators. We define the Drazin index of  $A$  by:

$$\text{ind}(A) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } A \text{ is invertible} \\ k & \text{if } Q = A(A^D A - I) \text{ is nilpotent of index } k \\ \infty & \text{if } Q = A(A^D A - I) \text{ is quasi-nilpotent.} \end{cases}$$



Note that a square matrix always has Drazin inverse. But, if  $X$  is an infinite-dimensional complex Banach space, then it is well known that an operator  $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)$  has a Drazin inverse  $A^D$  if and only if it has finite ascent and descent (in such a case, the index of  $A$  is equal to the ascent of  $A$ ), or equivalently if and only if  $0$  is a pole of its resolvent operator, which is also equivalent to the fact that  $A = R \oplus N$  where  $R$  is invertible and  $N$  is nilpotent.  $A$  has a GD-inverse if and only if  $0$  is an isolated point of its spectrum or  $A = R \oplus Q$  where  $R$  is invertible and  $Q$  is quasi-nilpotent, or equivalently if and only if there is a bounded projection  $P$  on  $X$  (the generalized Drazin idempotent of  $A$ ) such that  $R = A|_{\mathcal{R}(P)}$  is invertible operator and  $Q = A|_{\mathcal{N}(P)}$  is quasi-nilpotent operator (see [[11], [9], [12], [14], [13]]).  $\oplus$  denotes the algebraic direct sum. Note that the GD-inverse  $A^{GD}$  of  $A$ , if it exists, is uniquely determined by  $A^{GD} = R^{-1} \oplus 0$ . Moreover, by the spectral mapping theorem we have that:

$$\sigma(A^{GD}) = \left\{ \frac{1}{\lambda} : \lambda \in \sigma'(A) \right\} \cup \{0\}, \quad \sigma'(A^{GD}) = \left\{ \frac{1}{\lambda} : \lambda \in \sigma'(A) \right\}$$

and if  $r(A) > 0$ , then  $dist(\sigma'(A), 0) = \frac{1}{r(A^{GD})}$ , where  $dist$  is the distance between a bounded subset of  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $0$ .

**Example 4.** 1) Every Drazin invertible operator is GD-invertible. It is also clear from the definition of a GD-inverse that every quasi-nilpotent operator is GD-invertible with a generalized Drazin inverse  $0$ .

2) Every quasi-nilpotent operator which is not nilpotent (for example Volterra operator) is GD-invertible and cannot be Drazin invertible. Indeed, suppose that  $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)$  is quasi-nilpotent but not nilpotent and Drazin invertible with  $A^D = B$ . We have seen before that  $A$  is GD-invertible with GD-inverse  $0$ . By the uniqueness of the GD-inverse we must have that  $B = 0$ . Also, because  $A - ABA$  is nilpotent, we have that  $A$  is also nilpotent. This is a contradiction.

The following result gives an interesting characterization of Drazin invertible operators.

**Proposition 2.** ([9]) Let  $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $k \geq 1$ . Then the following assertions are equivalent:

- 1)  $A$  is Drazin invertible and  $ind(A) = k$ .
- 2)  $a(A) = d(A) = k$ .
- 3) The resolvent operator  $(\lambda - A)^{-1}$  has a pole of order  $k$  at  $\lambda = 0$ .

**Example 5.** Let's check that if  $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)$  is normal,  $A^*A = AA^*$ , and if  $0 \in isoo(A)$ , then  $A$  is Drazin invertible and  $ind(A) = 1$ . Indeed, if  $P$  is the spectral projection associated with  $0$ . We know that  $A$  and  $P$  commute and then  $A(\mathcal{R}(P)) \subseteq \mathcal{R}(P)$  and  $\sigma(A|_{\mathcal{R}(P)}) = \{0\}$ . On the other hand, since  $A|_{\mathcal{R}(P)}$  is normal operator on  $\mathcal{R}(P)$ , we have  $\|A|_{\mathcal{R}(P)}\| = r(A|_{\mathcal{R}(P)}) = 0$ , so it follows that  $AP = 0$ . The Laurent series expansion around  $0$  of the resolvent  $(\lambda - A)^{-1}$  is given by:

$$(\lambda - A)^{-1} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{P_j}{\lambda^j} + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} Q_j \lambda^j, \quad 0 < |\lambda| < \epsilon \tag{11}$$

where the coefficients  $P_j$  and  $Q_j$  are given by the formulas:

$$P_j = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{0 < |\lambda| < \epsilon} \lambda^{j-1} (\lambda - A)^{-1} d\lambda \quad \text{and} \quad Q_j = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{0 < |\lambda| < \epsilon} \lambda^{-j-1} (\lambda - A)^{-1} d\lambda. \quad (12)$$

It follows from (12), immediately using the functional calculus, that:

$$P_1 = P \quad \text{and} \quad P_j = A^{j-1}P, \quad j \in \mathbb{N}^*,$$

hence 0 is a simple pole of  $(\lambda - A)^{-1}$ . Proposition 2 shows that  $A$  is Drazin invertible and  $\text{ind}(A) = 1$ .

Drazin inverses are not symmetric in general. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^{2 \times 2}$ ,  $A$  is Drazin invertible with  $A^D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , but  $(A^D)^D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \neq A$ . Our next result gives the expression of the element  $(A^{GD})^{GD}$ .

**Theorem 5.** *Let  $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)$ . Suppose that  $A$  is GD-invertible and that  $P$  is the generalized Drazin idempotent of  $A$ . Then  $(A^{GD})^{GD} = A(I - P)$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $A$  is generalized Drazin invertible and that  $P$  is the generalized Drazin idempotent of  $A$ . If  $A$  is invertible then  $P = 0$  and the result obviously holds.

If  $0 \in \text{iso}\sigma(A)$ , then  $P$  is the spectral projection of  $A$  corresponding to 0 and  $P = I - A^{GD}A$ . We show that  $B = A(I - P)$  is the generalized Drazin inverse of  $A^{GD}$ . Using the fact that  $AP = PA$ , we have that  $A^{GD}B = A^{GD}A(I - P) = A(I - P)A^{GD} = BA^{GD}$ . We also have that:

$$\begin{aligned} BA^{GD}B &= A(I - P)A^{GD}A(I - P) = A(I - P)A^{GD}A(A^{GD}A) \\ &= A(I - P)(A^{GD}AA^{GD})A = A(I - P)A^{GD}A \\ &= A(I - P)(I - P) = A(I - P) = B, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} A^{GD} - A^{GD}BA^{GD} &= A^{GD} - A^{GD}A(I - P)A^{GD} = A^{GD} - A^{GD}A(A^{GD}A)A^{GD} \\ &= A^{GD} - (A^{GD}AA^{GD})AA^{GD} = A^{GD} - A^{GD}AA^{GD} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

is quasi-nilpotent. Hence,  $(A^{GD})^{GD} = B = A(I - P)$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

As 0 is a simple pole of  $(\lambda - A)^{-1}$  if and only if  $AP = 0$ , we obtain:

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)$  and  $0 \in \text{iso}\sigma(A)$ . Then  $(A^{GD})^{GD} = A$  if and only if 0 is a simple pole of  $(\lambda - A)^{-1}$ .*

In the following we give a representation theorem for the Drazin inverse of a linear operator in Banach space and the corresponding error bound.

**Theorem 6.** Let  $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)$  be Drazin invertible of index  $k$  and  $\mathcal{R}(A^k)$  is closed. Define  $\tilde{A} = (A^k A^{*2k+1} A^{k+1})|_{\mathcal{R}(A^k)}$ . If  $\Omega$  is an open set such that  $\sigma(\tilde{A}) \subset \Omega \subset ]0, \infty[$  and  $(S_j(x))_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a sequence of continuous real valued functions on  $\Omega$  with  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} S_j(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  uniformly on  $\sigma(\tilde{A})$ , then:

$$A^D = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} S_j(\tilde{A}) A^k A^{*2k+1} A^k.$$

Furthermore, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is an operator norm  $\|\cdot\|_*$  on  $X$  such that:

$$\frac{\|S_j(\tilde{A}) A^k A^{*2k+1} A^k - A^D\|_*}{\|A^D\|_*} \leq \max_{x \in \sigma(\tilde{A})} |S_j(x)x - 1| + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon).$$

*Proof.* It's clear that  $\sigma(\tilde{A}) = \sigma(A^k A^{*2k+1} A^{k+1}) = \sigma((A^{2k+1})^* (A^{2k+1})) \subset ]0, \infty[$ , since  $\tilde{A}$  is positive and boundedly invertible. Using functional calculus, we have:

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} S_j(\tilde{A}) = \tilde{A}^{-1}.$$

It then follows from [2] that:

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} S_j(\tilde{A}) A^k A^{*2k+1} A^k = \tilde{A}^{-1} A^k A^{*2k+1} A^k = A^D.$$

To obtain the error bound, we note that:

$$\begin{aligned} A^k A^{*2k+1} A^k &= \tilde{A} A^D, \\ S_j(\tilde{A}) A^k A^{*2k+1} A^k - A^D &= (S_j(\tilde{A}) \tilde{A} - I) A^D. \end{aligned}$$

We also know that for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , one can define a new norm  $\|\cdot\|_*$  on  $X$  with the formula:

$$\|x\|_* = \sqrt{\sum_{j=0}^m \left(\frac{\|A^j x\|}{M^j}\right)^2},$$

where  $M = r(A) + \varepsilon$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  has been chosen as the first integer such that  $\|A^m\|^{1/m} < M$ . It is easy to see that this norm is equivalent to the original norm and it induces a norm on  $\mathcal{B}(X)$  such that  $\|A\|_* < r(A) + \varepsilon$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \|S_j(\tilde{A}) A^k A^{*2k+1} A^k - A^D\|_* &\leq \|S_j(\tilde{A}) \tilde{A} - I\|_* \|A^D\|_* \\ &\leq \left(\max_{x \in \sigma(\tilde{A})} |S_j(x)x - 1| + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)\right) \|A^D\|_*. \end{aligned}$$

□

Now we explain the Euler-Knopp Method for computational of the Drazin inverse of a bounded operator and the way to get the corresponding error bound. First we need the following result concerning lower and upper bounds for  $\sigma(\tilde{A})$ .

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)$  be Drazin invertible of index  $k$  and  $\mathcal{R}(A^k)$  is closed. Then, for all  $\lambda \in \sigma(\tilde{A})$ :*

$$\frac{1}{\left\| (A^{2k+1})^\dagger \right\|^2} \leq \lambda \leq \|A\|^{4k+2}.$$

*Proof.* For all  $\lambda \in \sigma(\tilde{A})$ ,  $\lambda > 0$  and  $\lambda \in \sigma((A^{2k+1})^* (A^{2k+1}))$ . Furthermore, it's clear that  $\text{ind}((A^{2k+1})^* A^{2k+1}) = 1$  and

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} \in \sigma\left(\left((A^{2k+1})^* A^{2k+1}\right)^\dagger\right) = \sigma\left(\left(A^{2k+1}\right)^\dagger \left(\left(A^{2k+1}\right)^{\dagger*}\right)\right).$$

Thus,

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} \leq \left\| \left(A^{2k+1}\right)^\dagger \left(\left(A^{2k+1}\right)^{\dagger*}\right) \right\| = \left\| \left(A^{2k+1}\right)^\dagger \right\|^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda \geq \frac{1}{\left\| \left(A^{2k+1}\right)^\dagger \right\|^2}.$$

On the other hand, since  $\left\| \left(A^k A^{*2k+1} A^{k+1}\right)_{|\mathcal{R}(A^k)} \right\| \leq \|A^k A^{*2k+1} A^{k+1}\|$ , we obtain  $\|\tilde{A}\| \leq \|A\|^{4k+2}$  so what  $\lambda \leq \|\tilde{A}\| \leq \|A\|^{4k+2}$  for all  $\lambda \in \sigma(\tilde{A})$ .  $\square$

Consider now the sequence  $(S_p(x))_{p \in \mathbb{N}}$  and the set  $E_\alpha$ ,  $\alpha > 0$ , defined respectively in (5) and (6). By Lemma 2, we get  $\sigma(\tilde{A}) \subseteq ]0, \|A\|^{4k+2}]$ . So, if we choose the parameter  $\alpha$ ,  $0 < \alpha < \frac{2}{\|A\|^{4k+2}}$  such that  $\sigma(\tilde{A}) \subseteq ]0, \|A\|^{4k+2}] \subset E_\alpha$ , then we obtain the following representation of the Drazin inverse  $A^D$  of  $A$ :

$$A^D = \alpha \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left( I - \alpha A^k A^{*2k+1} A^{k+1} \right)^j A^k A^{*2k+1} A^k.$$

Setting  $A_j = \alpha \sum_{m=0}^j \left( I - \alpha A^k A^{*2k+1} A^{k+1} \right)^m A^k A^{*2k+1} A^k$ , we have the following iterative procedure for the Drazin inverse:

$$A_0 = \alpha A^k A^{*2k+1} A^k \quad \text{and} \quad A_{j+1} = \left( I - \alpha A^k A^{*2k+1} A^{k+1} \right) A_j, \quad j \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Therefore,  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j = A^D$ . For the error bound, we note that from (9) and (10), we have  $|xS_j(x) - 1| = |1 - \alpha x|^{j+1} \leq \beta^{j+1} \xrightarrow{j \rightarrow \infty} 0$ , if  $x \in \sigma(\tilde{A})$ ,  $0 < \alpha < \frac{2}{\|A\|^{4k+2}}$

and  $\beta = \max \left\{ \left| 1 - \alpha \|A\|^{4k+2} \right|, \left| 1 - \frac{\alpha}{\|(A^{2k+1})^\dagger\|^2} \right| \right\} < 1$ . It follows from the above inequality and Theorem 6, the error bound:

$$\frac{\|A_j - A^D\|_*}{\|A^D\|_*} \leq \beta^{j+1} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon), \quad \varepsilon > 0.$$

Note that this approximation generalizes to infinite-dimensional case the result obtained on the square matrices in Theorem 3.

**Example 6.** Let  $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)$  be selfadjoint,  $A^* = A$ , and  $0 \in \text{iso}\sigma(A)$ . Then  $A$  has closed range and is Drazin invertible with  $\text{ind}(A) = 1$ . Let's use the iterative procedure developed previously with  $0 < \alpha < \frac{2}{\|A\|^6}$  and  $\beta = \max \left\{ \left| 1 - \alpha \|A\|^6 \right|, \left| 1 - \frac{\alpha}{\|(A^3)^\dagger\|^2} \right| \right\} <$

1. So,  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j = A^D$  where  $A_0 = \alpha A^5$ ,  $A_{j+1} = (I - \alpha A^6) A_j$ ,  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , and the error bound  $\frac{\|A_j - A^D\|_*}{\|A^D\|_*} \leq \beta^{j+1} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

## 5 Continuity of the GD-Drazin inverse

Drazin inversion is not continuous in general, we illustrate this in the following example.

**Example 7.** Let  $A \in \mathcal{B}(l_2)$  be a weighted shift with weight sequence:

$$0, 0, -1, 0, 0, -1, 0, 0, -1, \dots$$

so that  $A$  is nilpotent of index 3. Then  $A$  is Drazin invertible and with  $A^D = 0$ . Let  $A_j = A + \frac{1}{j}I$ , for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}^*$ . Then, for each  $j \in \mathbb{N}^*$ :

$$A_j (jI - j^2 A + j^3 A^2) = (jI - j^2 A + j^3 A^2) A_j = I.$$

Thus  $A_j$  is invertible and hence Drazin invertible with:

$$A_j^D = A_j^{-1} = (jI - j^2 A + j^3 A^2), j \in \mathbb{N}^*.$$

It is clear that  $A_j \rightarrow A$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$  in  $\mathcal{B}(l_2)$ , but the unbounded sequence  $(A_j^D)_{j \in \mathbb{N}^*}$  does not converge to  $A^D = 0$ .

Rakocevic investigate in [16] the continuity of the Drazin inverse of a bounded linear operator on Banach space, i.e. the continuity of the maps  $A \rightarrow A^D$  and  $A \rightarrow A^{GD}$ ,  $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)$ , he generalized the continuity result of [7] to Drazin inverse in the following way. Let  $(A_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence in  $\mathcal{B}(X)$ , and let  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j = A$ .

Suppose that  $A$  and  $A_j$ , have Drazin inverses  $A^D$  and  $A_j^D$  respectively. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

$$(1) \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j^D = A^D. \quad (2) \sup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \|A_j^D\| < \infty. \quad (3) \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j^D A_j = A^D A.$$

Furthermore, by virtue of Banach-Steinhaus theorem, we can easily deduce, as a generalization, an equivalent result when  $(A_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges to  $A$  strongly.

It is interesting to study the continuity of the GD-inverse. We are now ready to present the main result of this section, it is due to Koliha and Rakocevic [10], nevertheless, the proof below is direct and of a technical nature.

**Theorem 7.** *Let  $(A_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence in  $\mathcal{B}(X)$ , and let  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j = A$ . Suppose that  $A$  and  $A_j$  have generalized Drazin inverses  $A^{GD}$  and  $A_j^{GD}$ , and let  $P$  and  $P_j$  be the spectral projections corresponding to  $0$ , of  $A$  and  $A_j$ , respectively, for every  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

$$(i) \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j^{GD} = A^{GD}.$$

$$(ii) \sup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \|A_j^{GD}\| < \infty.$$

$$(iii) \sup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \|r(A_j^{GD})\| < \infty.$$

$$(iv) \inf_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \text{dist}(\sigma'(A_j), 0) > 0.$$

$$(v) \text{ There exists an } r > 0 \text{ such that } \tilde{B}(0, r) \subseteq \rho(A) \cap \bigcap_{j=0}^{\infty} \rho(A_j), \text{ where } \tilde{B}(0, r)$$

is the open ball excluding the center  $0$  and with radius  $r$ .

$$(vi) \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} A_j^{GD} A_j = A^{GD} A.$$

$$(vii) \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} P_j = P.$$

*Proof.* (i)  $\implies$  (ii). Follows from the fact that convergence implies boundedness.

(ii)  $\implies$  (iii). Suppose that (ii) holds. Since  $r(A_j^{GD}) \leq \|A_j^{GD}\| \leq \sup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \|A_j^{GD}\| < \infty$ , for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , we obtain that  $\sup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} r(A_j^{GD}) \leq \sup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \|A_j^{GD}\| < \infty$ .

(iii)  $\implies$  (iv). Suppose that  $k = \sup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} r(A_j^{GD}) < \infty$ . We distinguish the following three cases:

Case I:  $r(A_j^{GD}) = 0$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\sigma(A_j^{GD}) = \{0\}$  and hence  $\sigma(A_j) = \{0\}$ , so  $\text{dist}(\sigma'(A_j), 0) = \infty$ , for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . It then follows that  $\inf_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \text{dist}(\sigma'(A_j), 0) = \infty > 0$ .

Case II: If  $r(A_j^{GD}) > 0$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $k > 0$  and  $(r(A_j^{GD}))^{-1} \geq k^{-1}$ . Hence,  $r(A_j^{GD}) = r(A_j^{GD} A_j A_j^{GD}) \leq (r(A_j^{GD}))^2 r(A_j)$ , so that  $r(A_j) \geq (r(A_j^{GD}))^{-1} \geq k^{-1} > 0$ , for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Or, for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\text{dist}(\sigma'(A_j), 0) = (r(A_j^{GD}))^{-1} \geq k^{-1} > 0$ , and hence  $\inf_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \text{dist}(\sigma'(A_j), 0) \geq k^{-1} > 0$ .

Case III: There is at least one  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $r(A_j^{GD}) > 0$  and possibly some other  $j'$  for which  $r(A_{j'}^{GD}) = 0$ . By case II, we have that  $\text{dist}(\sigma'(A_j), 0) = (r(A_j^{GD}))^{-1} \geq k^{-1} > 0$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  satisfying  $r(A_j^{GD}) > 0$ . By case I,

$dist(\sigma'(A_{j'}), 0) = \infty$  for all  $j' \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $r(A_{j'}^{GD}) = 0$ . Let  $k_j = dist(\sigma'(A_j), 0)$ . Then,

$$\inf \{ dist(\sigma'(A_j), 0) : j \in \mathbb{N} \} = \inf \{ k_j : j \in \mathbb{N} \text{ satisfies } r(A_j^{GD}) > 0 \} \geq k^{-1} > 0,$$

hence the result follows.

(iv)  $\implies$  (v). Suppose that  $M = \inf_{j \in \mathbb{N}} dist(\sigma'(A_j), 0) > 0$ . Let  $r = \min(m, M)$

where  $m = dist(\sigma'(A), 0)$ . By the choice of  $r$  and the fact that  $\bigcap_{j=0}^{\infty} \rho(A_j) = \mathbb{C} \setminus \bigcup_{j=0}^{\infty} \sigma(A_j)$ , we have that  $\tilde{B}(0, r) \subseteq \bigcap_{j=0}^{\infty} \rho(A_j)$  and  $\tilde{B}(0, r) \subseteq \rho(A)$ .

(v)  $\implies$  (vi). Suppose that there exists an  $r > 0$  such that  $\tilde{B}(0, r) \subseteq \rho(A) \cap \bigcap_{j=0}^{\infty} \rho(A_j)$  and show that  $A_j^{GD} A_j \rightarrow A^{GD} A$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ .

If  $A$  is invertible, so  $A_j$  is too for all sufficiently large  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $A_j^{GD} = A_j^{-1} \rightarrow A^{-1} = A^{GD}$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ . By the continuity of multiplication in  $\mathcal{B}(X)$ , it follows that  $A_j^{GD} A_j \rightarrow A^{GD} A$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ .

Suppose now that  $0 \in iso\sigma(A)$  and  $P$  is the spectral projection of  $A$  corresponding to 0. Let:

$$\Omega_1 = \left\{ \lambda \in \mathbb{C} : |\lambda| < \frac{r}{3} \right\} \text{ and } \Omega_2 = \left\{ \lambda \in \mathbb{C} : |\lambda| > \frac{2r}{3} \right\}.$$

By hypothesis,  $\Omega_1$  and  $\Omega_2$  are open sets containing  $\{0\}$  and  $\sigma'(A)$  respectively, and hence  $\Omega = \Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2$  is an open set containing  $\sigma(A)$ . Define  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  by:

$$f(\lambda) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \lambda \in \Omega_1 \\ 0 & \text{if } \lambda \in \Omega_2 \end{cases}.$$

Then,  $f$  is holomorphic on  $\Omega$  and  $P = f(A)$ . The spectral projection  $P_j$  of  $A_j$  corresponding to 0, might be 0 for several  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Also, by hypothesis,  $\Omega_2$  is an open set containing  $\sigma'(A_j)$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , so that  $P_j = f(A_j)$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . It follows that  $P_j = f(A_j) \rightarrow f(A) = P$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$  and since  $A^{GD} = (A + P)^{-1}(I - P)$  and  $A_j^{GD} = (A_j + P_j)^{-1}(I - P_j)$ , we have  $A_j^{GD} A_j \rightarrow A^{GD} A$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ .

From the above, it is clear that (vi) is equivalent to assertion (vii).

Finally, we prove that (vii)  $\implies$  (i). Suppose that (vii) holds. Since  $A_j + P_j$  and  $A + P$  are invertible in  $\mathcal{B}(X)$ , for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $(A_j + P_j) \rightarrow A + P$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ , it then follows that  $(A_j + P_j)^{-1} \rightarrow (A + P)^{-1}$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ . Hence, by the continuity of multiplication in  $\mathcal{B}(X)$ ,  $A_j^{GD} = (A_j + P_j)^{-1}(I - P_j) \rightarrow (A + P)^{-1}(I - P) = A^{GD}$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

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