



Expressions for the g-Drazin inverse in a Banach algebra

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Abstract. We explore the generalized Drazin inverse in a Banach algebra. Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra, and let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. If $ab = \lambda a^\pi b a b^\pi$ for a nonzero complex number λ , then $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. The explicit representation of $(a + b)^d$ is presented. As applications of our results, we present new representations for the generalized Drazin inverse of a block matrix in a Banach algebra. The main results of Liu and Qin [Representations for the generalized Drazin inverse of the sum in a Banach algebra and its application for some operator matrices, *Sci. World J.*, 2015, 156934.8] are extended.

1. Introduction

Throughout the paper, \mathcal{A} is a complex Banach algebra with an identity and λ is a nonzero complex number. The commutant of $a \in \mathcal{A}$ is defined by $\text{comm}(a) = \{x \in \mathcal{A} \mid xa = ax\}$. An element a in \mathcal{A} has g-Drazin inverse (that is, generalized Drazin inverse) provided that there exists $b \in \text{comm}(a)$ such that $b = bab$ and $a - a^2b \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$. Here, \mathcal{A}^{qnil} is the set of all quasinilpotents in \mathcal{A} , i.e.,

$$\mathcal{A}^{qnil} = \{a \in \mathcal{A} \mid 1 + ax \in \mathcal{A} \text{ is invertible for every } x \in \text{comm}(a)\}.$$

For a Banach algebra \mathcal{A} we have

$$a \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil} \Leftrightarrow 1 + \mu a \in \mathcal{A} \text{ is invertible for any } \mu \in \mathbb{C}.$$

We use \mathcal{A}^d to denote the set of all g-Drazin invertible elements in \mathcal{A} . As is well known, $a \in \mathcal{A}^d$ if and only if there exists an idempotent $p \in \text{comm}(a)$ such that $a + p$ is invertible and $ap \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ (see [10, Theorem 4.2]). The objective of this paper is to further explore the generalized Drazin inverse in a Banach algebra.

The g-Drazin invertibility of the sum of two elements in a Banach algebra is attractive. Many authors have studied such problems from many different views, e.g., [3, 4, 6, 7, 11, 13, 15, 17]. In Section 2, we investigate when the sum of two g-Drazin invertible elements in a Banach algebra has g-Drazin inverse. Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra, and let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. If $ab = \lambda a^\pi b a b^\pi$, we prove that $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. The explicit representation of $(a + b)^d$ is presented. This extends [11, Theorem 4] to more general setting.

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It is a hard problem to find a formula for the g-Drazin inverse of a block matrix. There have been many papers on this subject under different conditions, e.g., [5, 6, 9, 14, 16]. Let $M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathcal{A})$, A and D have g-Drazin inverses. If $a \in \mathcal{A}$ has g-Drazin inverse a^d , the element $a^\pi = 1 - aa^d$ is called the spectral idempotent of a . In Section 3, we concern new conditions on spectral idempotent matrices under which M has g-Drazin inverse. If $BD = \lambda(BC)^\pi ABD^\pi$ and $CA = \lambda(CB)^\pi DCA^\pi$, we prove that $M \in M_2(\mathcal{A})^d$. The formula for M^d is given. This extends [11, Theorem 10] to the wider case.

Finally, in the last section, we present certain simpler representations of the g-Drazin inverse of the block matrix M . If $BC = 0$ and $BD = \lambda A^\pi AB, DC = \lambda^{-1} D^\pi CAA^\pi$, then $M \in M_2(\mathcal{A})^d$ and

$$M^d = \begin{pmatrix} A^d & (A^d)^2 B + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A^n B (D^d)^{n+2} \\ C(A^d)^2 & D^d + C(A^d)^3 B + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n D^{k-1} C A^{n-k} B (D^d)^{n+2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

2. Additive results

In this section we establish some additive properties of g-Drazin inverse in Banach algebras. Let $p \in \mathcal{A}$ be an idempotent, and let $x \in \mathcal{A}$. Then we write

$$x = pxp + px(1 - p) + (1 - p)xp + (1 - p)x(1 - p),$$

and induce a Pierce representation given by the matrix

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} pxp & px(1 - p) \\ (1 - p)xp & (1 - p)x(1 - p) \end{pmatrix}_p.$$

We begin with

Lemma 2.1. *Let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d$ and $c \in \mathcal{A}$, and let*

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ c & b \end{pmatrix}_p \text{ or } \begin{pmatrix} b & c \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix}_p.$$

Then

$$x^d = \begin{pmatrix} a^d & 0 \\ z & b^d \end{pmatrix}_p, \text{ or } \begin{pmatrix} b^d & z \\ 0 & a^d \end{pmatrix}_p,$$

where

$$z = (b^d)^2 \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^d)^i c a^i \right) a^\pi + b^\pi \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} b^i c (a^d)^i \right) (a^d)^2 - b^d c a^d.$$

Proof. See [3, Lemma 2.1]. \square

Lemma 2.2. *Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra, and let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$. If $ab = \lambda ba$, then $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$.*

Proof. See [2, Lemma 2.1] and [8, Lemma 2.1]. \square

Lemma 2.3. *Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra, and let $a \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$ and $b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. If*

$$ab = \lambda bab^\pi,$$

then $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^d$ and

$$(a + b)^d = b^d + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (b^d)^{n+2} a (a + b)^n.$$

Proof. Let $p = bb^d$. Then we have

$$b = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 & 0 \\ 0 & b_2 \end{pmatrix}_p, a = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{pmatrix}_p.$$

Hence,

$$b^d = \begin{pmatrix} b_1^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}_p \text{ and } b^\pi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 - bb^d \end{pmatrix}_p.$$

Since $ab = \lambda bab^\pi$, we get

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1b_1 & a_2b_2 \\ a_3b_1 & a_4b_2 \end{pmatrix}_p = ab = \lambda bab^\pi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \lambda b_1a_2 \\ 0 & \lambda b_2a_4 \end{pmatrix}_p.$$

Thus $a_1b_1 = 0$ and $a_3b_1 = 0$, and then $a_1 = 0$ and $a_3 = 0$. Obviously, $b_2 = b - b^2b^d \in ((1 - p)\mathcal{A}(1 - p))^{qmil}$. Since $ab = \lambda bab^\pi$, we have $abb^d = \lambda bab^\pi b^d = 0$. Hence $a(1 - bb^d) = a \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$. In view of Cline’s formula (see [12, Theorem 2.1]), we prove that $a_4 = b^\pi ab^\pi \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$. As $a_4b_2 = \lambda b_2a_4$, by Lemma 2.2, we show that $a_4 + b_2 \in ((1 - p)\mathcal{A}(1 - p))^{qmil}$, i.e., $(a_4 + b_2)^d = 0$.

Since

$$a + b = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 & a_2 \\ 0 & a_4 + b_2 \end{pmatrix}_p,$$

it follows by Lemma 2.1 that

$$(a + b)^d = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 & a_2 \\ 0 & a_4 + b_2 \end{pmatrix}_p^d = \begin{pmatrix} b_1^{-1} & z \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}_p,$$

where $z = (b^d)^2 \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b^d)^i a(a_4 + b_2)^i \right)$. Since $abb^d = 0$, we derive

$$(a + b)^d = b^d + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (b^d)^{n+2} a(a + b)^n,$$

the result follows. \square

Now we state one of our main results.

Theorem 2.4. Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra, and let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d$. If

$$ab = \lambda a^\pi bab^\pi,$$

then $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^d$ and

$$\begin{aligned} (a + b)^d &= b^\pi a^d + b^d a^\pi + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (b^d)^{n+2} a(a + b)^n a^\pi \\ &+ b^\pi \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a + b)^n b(a^d)^{n+2} \\ &- \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (b^d)^{k+1} a(a + b)^{n+k} b(a^d)^{n+2} \\ &- \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (b^d)^{n+2} a(a + b)^n b a^d. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let $p = aa^d$. Then we have

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 \end{pmatrix}_p, b = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{pmatrix}_p.$$

Since $ab = \lambda a^\pi bab^\pi$, we get $aa^d b = \lambda a^d a^\pi bab^\pi = 0$; hence, $b_{11} = b_{12} = 0$. Thus,

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 \end{pmatrix}_p, b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{pmatrix}_p,$$

So we get

$$a^d = \begin{pmatrix} a_1^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}_p, b^d = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ (b_2^d)^2 b_1 & b_2^d \end{pmatrix}_p.$$

Hence,

$$a^\pi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1-p \end{pmatrix}_p, b^\pi = \begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ -b_2^d b_1 & b_2^\pi \end{pmatrix}_p.$$

Clearly, $a_2 = (1-p)a(1-p) = a - a^2 a^d \in \mathcal{A}^{qmil}$. Since $(1 - aa^d)b = b \in \mathcal{A}^d$, it follows by Cline’s formula that $b_2 = a^\pi b a^\pi \in ((1-p)\mathcal{A}(1-p))^d$. As $ab = \lambda a^\pi bab^\pi$, we infer that

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a_2 b_1 & a_2 b_2 \end{pmatrix} &= ab = \lambda a^\pi bab^\pi \\ &= \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ b_1 a_1 - b_2 a_2 b_2^d b_1 & b_2 a_2 b_2^\pi \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

and then

$$a_2 b_2 = \lambda b_2 a_2 b_2^\pi.$$

In view of Lemma 2.3,

$$(a_2 + b_2)^d = b_2^d + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (b_2^d)^{n+2} a_2 (a_2 + b_2)^n.$$

By virtue of Lemma 2.1, we have

$$(a + b)^d = \begin{pmatrix} a_1^{-1} & 0 \\ z & (a_2 + b_2)^d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a^d & 0 \\ z & (a_2 + b_2)^d \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$z = (a_2 + b_2)^\pi \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (a_2 + b_2)^i b (a^d)^i \right) (a^d)^2 - (a_2 + b_2)^d b a^d.$$

We easily see that $a_2 b_2^d = (\lambda b_2 a_2 b_2^\pi) (b_2^d)^2 = 0$; hence,

$$\begin{aligned} (a_2 + b_2)^\pi &= (1 - aa^d) - b_2 b_2^d - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (b_2^d)^{n+1} a_2 (a_2 + b_2)^n \\ &= b_2^\pi - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (b_2^d)^{n+1} a_2 (a_2 + b_2)^n. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, we have

$$\begin{aligned} z &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} b_2^\pi (a_2 + b_2)^i b (a^d)^{i+2} \\ &\quad - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (b_2^d)^{n+1} a_2 (a_2 + b_2)^{n+i} b (a^d)^{i+2} \\ &\quad - b_2^d b a^d - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (b_2^d)^{n+2} a_2 (a_2 + b_2)^n b a^d. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly, $a^d b = ab^d = (a^d)^2 (\lambda a^\pi bab^\pi) = (\lambda a^\pi bab^\pi) (b^d)^2 = 0$, one easily verifies that

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} a^d & 0 \\ -b_2^d b_1 a^d & 0 \end{pmatrix} &= b^\pi a^d, \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ b_2^\pi (a_2 + b_2)^i b (a^d)^{i+2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} &= b^\pi (a + b)^i b (a^d)^{i+2}, \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ (b_2^d)^{n+2} a_2 (a_2 + b_2)^n b a^d & 0 \end{pmatrix} &= (b^d)^{n+2} a (a + b)^n b a^d, \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ (b_2^d)^{n+1} a_2 (a_2 + b_2)^{n+i} b (a^d)^{i+2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} &= (b^d)^{n+1} a (a + b)^{n+i} b (a^d)^{i+2}. \end{aligned}$$

Also we have

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b_2^d \end{pmatrix} &= b^d a^\pi, \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & (b_2^d)^{n+2} a_2 (a_2 + b_2)^n \end{pmatrix} &= (b^d)^{n+2} a (a + b)^n a^\pi, \end{aligned}$$

hence the result. \square

Example 2.5. Let $\mathcal{A} = M_3(\mathbb{C})$ and let

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{A}^d.$$

Then $ab = \frac{1}{2} a^\pi bab^\pi$, while $ab \neq a^\pi bab^\pi$.

Proof. It is clear that $a^3 = b^3 = 0$, then $a^d = b^d = 0$ which implies that $a^\pi = b^\pi = I_3$. Obviously,

$$ab = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} a^\pi bab^\pi,$$

while $a^\pi bab^\pi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \neq ab$. \square

3. Block operator matrices

In this section, we turn to study the g-Drazin inverse of the block matrix M by applying Theorem 2.4. We now derive

Theorem 3.1. Let $M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathcal{A})$, A and D have g-Drazin inverses. If $BD = \lambda(BC)^\pi ABD^\pi$ and $CA = \lambda(CB)^\pi DCA^\pi$, then $M \in M_2(\mathcal{A})^d$ and

$$\begin{aligned} M^d &= \begin{pmatrix} A^d(BC)^\pi & A^\pi B(CB)^d \\ D^\pi C(BC)^d & D^d(CB)^\pi \end{pmatrix} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (A^d)^{n+2} B \\ (D^d)^{n+2} C & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ M^n &\begin{pmatrix} (BC)^\pi & 0 \\ 0 & (CB)^\pi \end{pmatrix} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \begin{pmatrix} A^\pi & 0 \\ 0 & D^\pi \end{pmatrix} M^n \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} \\ &\begin{pmatrix} 0 & B(CB)^d \\ C(BC)^d & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{n+2} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (A^d)^{k+1} B \\ (D^d)^{k+1} C & 0 \end{pmatrix} M^{n+k} \\ &\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B(CB)^d \\ C(BC)^d & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{n+2} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (A^d)^{n+2} B \\ (D^d)^{n+2} C & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ M^n &\begin{pmatrix} 0 & AB(CB)^d \\ DC(BC)^d & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Clearly, we have $M = P + Q$, where

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix}, Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B \\ C & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

$$P^d = \begin{pmatrix} A^d & 0 \\ 0 & D^d \end{pmatrix}, P^\pi = \begin{pmatrix} A^\pi & 0 \\ 0 & D^\pi \end{pmatrix};$$

$$Q^2 = \begin{pmatrix} BC & 0 \\ 0 & CB \end{pmatrix}, (Q^2)^d = \begin{pmatrix} (BC)^d & 0 \\ 0 & (CB)^d \end{pmatrix}.$$

By using Cline’s formula, we get

$$Q^d = Q(Q^2)^d = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B(CB)^d \\ C(BC)^d & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Hence,

$$Q^\pi = \begin{pmatrix} (BC)^\pi & 0 \\ 0 & (CB)^\pi \end{pmatrix}.$$

Clearly,

$$PQ = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & AB \\ DC & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$QP = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & BD \\ CA & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

and so

$$Q^\pi P Q P^\pi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (BC)^\pi A B D^\pi \\ (CB)^\pi D C A^\pi & D \end{pmatrix}.$$

By hypothesis, we have

$$QP = \lambda Q^\pi P Q P^\pi.$$

According to Theorem 2.4, M has g -Drain inverse. The representation of M^d is easily obtained by Theorem 2.4. \square

Corollary 3.2. Let $M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathcal{A})$, A and D have g -Drazin inverses. If $BD = \lambda A B D^\pi$, $CA = \lambda D C A^\pi$ and $BC = 0$, then $M \in M_2(\mathcal{A})^d$ and

$$M^d = \begin{pmatrix} A^d & 0 \\ 0 & D^d \end{pmatrix} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (A^d)^{n+2} B \\ (D^d)^{n+2} C & 0 \end{pmatrix} M^n.$$

Proof. Since $BC = 0$, we have $(BC)^\pi = I = (CB)^\pi$. Moreover, $(BC)^d = 0$, $B(CB)^d = B(CB)((BC)^d)^2 = 0$. Construct Q as in the proof of Theorem 3.1, we have $Q^d = 0$, and so $Q^\pi = I$. This completes the proof by Theorem 3.1. \square

In a similar way as it was done in Theorem 3.1, using the another splitting, we have

Theorem 3.3. Let $M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathcal{A})$, A and D have g -Drazin inverses. If $AB = \lambda A^\pi B D (CB)^\pi$ and

$DC = \lambda D^\pi CA(BC)^\pi$, then $M \in M_2(\mathcal{A})^d$ and

$$\begin{aligned}
 M^d &= \begin{pmatrix} (BC)^\pi A^d & B(CB)^d D^\pi \\ C(BC)^d A^\pi & (CB)^\pi D^d \end{pmatrix} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B(CB)^d \\ C(BC)^d & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{n+2} \\
 &\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} M^n \begin{pmatrix} A^\pi & 0 \\ 0 & D^\pi \end{pmatrix} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \begin{pmatrix} (BC)^\pi & 0 \\ 0 & (CB)^\pi \end{pmatrix} M^n \\
 &\begin{pmatrix} 0 & B(D^d)^{n+2} \\ C(A^d)^{n+2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B(CB)^d \\ C(BC)^d & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{k+1} \\
 &\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} M^{n+k} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B(D^d)^{n+2} \\ C(A^d)^{n+2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\
 &- \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B(CB)^d \\ C(BC)^d & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{n+2} \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} M^n \begin{pmatrix} 0 & BD^d \\ CA^d & 0 \end{pmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Construct P and Q as in the proof of Theorem 3.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 PQ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & AB \\ DC & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\
 P^\pi Q P Q^\pi &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^\pi B D (CB)^\pi \\ D^\pi C A (BC)^\pi & 0 \end{pmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}$$

By hypothesis, we see that $PQ = \lambda P^\pi Q P Q^\pi$. The theorem is therefore established by Theorem 2.4. \square

As a consequence of the above, we now derive

Corollary 3.4. Let $M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathcal{A})$, A and D have g -Drazin inverses. If $AB = \lambda A^\pi B D$, $DC = \lambda D^\pi C A$ and $BC = 0$, then $M \in M_2(\mathcal{A})^d$ and

$$M^d = \begin{pmatrix} A^d & 0 \\ 0 & D^d \end{pmatrix} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} M^n \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B(D^d)^{n+2} \\ C(A^d)^{n+2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

4. Certain simpler expressions

Let $M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathcal{A})$. The aim of this section is to present certain simpler representations of the g -Drazin inverse of the block matrix M in the case $BC = 0$ or $CB = 0$. We now come to the main result of this section.

Theorem 4.1. Let A and D have g -Drazin inverses. If $BD = \lambda A^\pi A B$, $DC = \lambda^{-1} D^\pi C A A^\pi$ and $BC = 0$, then $M \in M_2(\mathcal{A})^d$ and

$$M^d = \begin{pmatrix} A^d & (A^d)^2 B + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A^n B (D^d)^{n+2} \\ C(A^d)^2 & D^d + C(A^d)^3 B + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n D^{k-1} C A^{n-k} B (D^d)^{n+2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof. Write $M = P + Q$, where

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} A A^\pi & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix}, Q = \begin{pmatrix} A^2 A^d & B \\ C & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

$$P^d = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & D^d \end{pmatrix}, P^\pi = \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & D^\pi \end{pmatrix}.$$

As $BC = 0$, we have

$$Q^d = \begin{pmatrix} A^d & (A^d)^2B \\ C(A^d)^2 & C(A^d)^3B \end{pmatrix}, Q^\pi = \begin{pmatrix} A^\pi & -A^d B \\ -CA^d & I - C(A^d)^2B \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since $BD = \lambda A^\pi AB$ and $BC = 0$, we get $BDC = (\lambda A^\pi AB)C = 0$. As $DC = \lambda^{-1}D^\pi CAA^\pi$, we have

$$PQ = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^\pi AB \\ DC & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & BD \\ D^\pi CAA^\pi & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda^{-1} P^\pi Q P Q^\pi.$$

In view of Theorem 2.4, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} M^d &= Q^\pi P^d + Q^d P^\pi + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (Q^d)^{n+2} P M^n P^\pi \\ &+ Q^\pi \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} M^n Q (P^d)^{n+2} \\ &- \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (Q^d)^{k+1} P M^{n+k} Q (P^d)^{n+2} \\ &- \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (Q^d)^{n+2} P M^n Q P^d. \end{aligned}$$

Since $BD = \lambda A^\pi AB$, we infer that $A^d BD = A^d (\lambda A^\pi AB) = 0$, and then

$$Q^d P = \begin{pmatrix} A^d & (A^d)^2B \\ C(A^d)^2 & C(A^d)^3B \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} AA^\pi & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

Therefore

$$M^d = P^d + Q^d + Q^\pi \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} M^n Q (P^d)^{n+2}.$$

Moreover, we have $BDC = (\lambda A^\pi AB)C = 0$. By induction, $BD^n C = 0$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Accordingly,

$$\begin{aligned} &Q^\pi \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} M^n Q (P^d)^{n+2} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \begin{pmatrix} A^\pi & -A^d B \\ -CA^d & I - C(A^d)^2B \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}^n \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B(D^d)^{n+2} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \begin{pmatrix} A^\pi & -A^d B \\ -CA^d & I - C(A^d)^2B \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}^n \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B(D^d)^{n+2} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \begin{pmatrix} A^\pi & -A^d B \\ -CA^d & I - C(A^d)^2B \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A^n & 0 \\ \sum_{k=1}^n D^{k-1} C A^{n-k} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B(D^d)^{n+2} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A^n B (D^d)^{n+2} \\ 0 & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n D^{k-1} C A^{n-k} B (D^d)^{n+2} \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

as desired. \square

Corollary 4.2. Let A and D have g -Drazin inverses. If $CA = \lambda D^\pi DC, AB = \lambda A^\pi B D D^\pi$ and $CB = 0$, then $M \in M_2(\mathcal{A})^d$ and

$$M^d = \begin{pmatrix} A^d + B(D^d)^3C + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n A^{k-1} B D^{n-k} C (A^d)^{n+2} & B(D^d)^2 \\ (D^d)^2C + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D^n C (A^d)^{n+2} & D^d \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof. Obviously,

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} D & C \\ B & A \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Applying Theorem 4.1 to $\begin{pmatrix} D & C \\ B & A \end{pmatrix}$, we see that it has g-Drazin inverse and

$$\begin{pmatrix} D & C \\ B & A \end{pmatrix}^d = \begin{pmatrix} D^d & (D^d)^2C + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D^n C(A^d)^{n+2} \\ B(D^d)^2 & A^d + B(D^d)^3C + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n A^{k-1} B D^{n-k} C(A^d)^{n+2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, we derive

$$M^d = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} D & C \\ B & A \end{pmatrix}^d \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

as desired. \square

Now we are ready to prove the other main theorem in this section.

Theorem 4.3. *Let A and D have g-Drazin inverses. If $AB = \lambda A^\pi B D$, $DC = \lambda D^\pi C A$ and $BC = 0$, then $M \in M_2(\mathcal{A})^d$ and*

$$M^d = \begin{pmatrix} A^d & 0 \\ 0 & D^d \end{pmatrix} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} M^n \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B(D^d)^{n+2} \\ C(A^d)^{n+2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof. Write $M = P + Q$, where

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix}, Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B \\ C & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

$$P^d = \begin{pmatrix} A^d & 0 \\ 0 & D^d \end{pmatrix}, P^\pi = \begin{pmatrix} A^\pi & 0 \\ 0 & D^\pi \end{pmatrix}.$$

As $BC = 0$, we see that $Q^3 = 0$, and so $Q^d = 0, Q^\pi = I$. One easily checks that

$$PQ = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & AB \\ DC & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^\pi B D \\ D^\pi C A & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda P^\pi Q P Q^\pi.$$

Since $Q^d = 0$, it follows by Theorem 2.4 that

$$M^d = P^d + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} M^n Q (P^d)^{n+2}.$$

Moreover, we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} M^n Q (P^d)^{n+2} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M^n \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B(D^d)^{n+2} \\ C(A^d)^{n+2} & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

as required. \square

The following example illustrates that Theorem 4.3 is a nontrivial generalization of [11, Theorem 10].

Example 4.4. Let $M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \in M_8(\mathbb{C})$, where

$$A = D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, B = C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in M_4(\mathbb{C}).$$

Then

$$AB = 3A^\pi BD, DC = 3D^\pi CA \text{ and } BC = 0.$$

Proof. Since A, B, C, D are nilpotent, we have $A^\pi = B^\pi = C^\pi = D^\pi = I_4$. It is clear by computing that

$$AB = 3A^\pi BD, DC = 3D^\pi CA \text{ and } BC = 0.$$

In this case, $AB \neq A^\pi BD$. \square

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