



## Extensions of Cline's Formula for Some New Generalized Inverses

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**Abstract.** Let  $a, b, c, d$  be elements in a unital associative ring  $\mathcal{R}$ . In this note, we generalize Cline's formula for some new generalized inverses such as strong Drazin inverse, generalized strong Drazin inverse, Hirano inverse and generalized Hirano inverse to the case when  $acd = dbd$  and  $dba = aca$ . As a particular case, some recent results are recovered.

### 1. Introduction

Throughout this note,  $\mathcal{R}$  denotes an associative ring with unit 1. By  $\mathcal{R}^{-1}$  and  $\mathcal{R}^{nil}$  we represent the set of all invertible and nilpotent elements of  $\mathcal{R}$ , respectively. For an element  $a \in \mathcal{R}$ , the commutant and double commutant of  $a$  are defined by  $comm(a) = \{x \in \mathcal{R} : ax = xa\}$  and  $comm^2(a) = \{x \in \mathcal{R} : xy = yx, \text{ for all } y \in comm(a)\}$ , respectively. An element  $a \in \mathcal{R}$  is said to be quasinilpotent if  $1 + ax \in \mathcal{R}^{-1}$  for all  $x \in comm(a)$ . We use  $\mathcal{R}^{qnil}$  to denote the set of all quasinilpotent elements of  $\mathcal{R}$ .

In 2017, Wang [19] introduced a new generalized inverse, strong Drazin inverse, which is a subclass of the Drazin inverse. An element  $a \in \mathcal{R}$  is strongly Drazin invertible (or, s-Drazin invertible) if there exists  $b \in \mathcal{R}$  such that

$$b \in comm(a), bab = b \text{ and } a - ab \in \mathcal{R}^{nil}.$$

In this case,  $b$  is called a strong Drazin inverse (or, s-Drazin inverse) of  $a$ , denoted by  $b = a^{sD}$ , and the least non-negative integer  $k$  for  $(a - ab)^k = 0$  is called the strong Drazin index of  $a$ , denoted by  $i_{sD}(a)$ . Let  $\mathcal{R}^{sD}$  be the set of all s-Drazin invertible elements of  $\mathcal{R}$ . An element  $a \in \mathcal{R}$  is called Drazin invertible if we replace the condition  $a - ab \in \mathcal{R}^{nil}$  in the definition of the s-Drazin invertible element with  $a(1 - ab) \in \mathcal{R}^{nil}$  (see [7]). In this case,  $b$  is called a Drazin inverse of  $a$  and denoted by  $b = a^D$ . By  $\mathcal{R}^D$  we represent the set of all Drazin invertible elements of  $\mathcal{R}$ . If  $a \in \mathcal{R}^{sD}$ , observing that  $a(1 - aa^{sD}) = (a - aa^{sD})(1 - aa^{sD})$ , then  $a \in \mathcal{R}^D$ . Thus, the s-Drazin inverse of  $a$  is unique if it exists, and it belongs to the double commutant of  $a$ . However, invertible elements may not be s-Drazin invertible in general. For example, 2 is invertible but not s-Drazin invertible in complex number field  $\mathbb{C}$ .

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Recently, Chen and Sheibani introduced in [3] Hirano inverse. An element  $a \in \mathcal{R}$  is called Hirano invertible provided that there exists  $b \in \mathcal{R}$  such that

$$b \in \text{comm}(a), bab = b \text{ and } a^2 - ab \in \mathcal{R}^{nil}.$$

If such  $b$  exists, then it is unique and denoted by  $b = a^H$ , the Hirano inverse of  $a$ , and the minimal non-negative integer  $k$  for which  $(a^2 - ab)^k = 0$  holds is called the Hirano index  $i_H(a)$  of  $a$ . The set of all Hirano invertible elements in  $\mathcal{R}$  will be denoted by  $\mathcal{R}^H$ . As observed in [3],  $\mathcal{R}^{sD} \subseteq \mathcal{R}^H \subseteq \mathcal{R}^D$ . Let  $a \in \mathcal{R}$  be s-Drazin invertible. Then  $a$  is also Hirano invertible. However, the indices  $i_{sD}(a)$  and  $i_H(a)$  need not be the same in

general. For example, take  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in M_3(\mathbb{C})$ . Since  $A^3 = O$ , it follows that  $A$  is s-Drazin invertible with  $A^{sD} = O$  and  $i_{sD}(A) = 3$ . But  $i_H(A) = 2$ .

The concept of strong Drazin inverse was extended by Mosić [14] in a complex Banach algebra and by Gürgün [8] in a ring. Recall that an element  $a \in \mathcal{R}$  is generalized strongly Drazin invertible (or, gs-Drazin invertible) if there exists  $b \in \mathcal{R}$  such that

$$b \in \text{comm}^2(a), bab = b \text{ and } a - ab \in \mathcal{R}^{qnil}.$$

In this case,  $b$  is called a generalized strong Drazin inverse (or, gs-Drazin inverse) of  $a$  and denoted by  $b = a^{gsD}$ . If we use the condition  $a(1 - ab) \in \mathcal{R}^{qnil}$  in the above definition instead of  $a - ab \in \mathcal{R}^{qnil}$ , then  $a \in \mathcal{R}$  is called generalized Drazin invertible (see [10]). In the sequel,  $\mathcal{R}^{gsD}$  denotes the set of all gs-Drazin invertible elements of  $\mathcal{R}$ . From [8, Corollary 3.3] it follows that, if  $a \in \mathcal{R}^{gsD}$ , then  $a$  is generalized Drazin invertible. Hence, the gs-Drazin inverse of  $a$  is unique if it exists (see [10, Theorem 4.2]).

Another subclass of generalized Drazin inverse, the so-called generalized Hirano inverse, was introduced by Abdolyousefi and Chen [1]. The generalized Hirano inverse is the unique common solution to the equations

$$b \in \text{comm}^2(a), bab = b \text{ and } a^2 - ab \in \mathcal{R}^{qnil}.$$

The element  $b$  above is unique if it exists and it will be denoted by  $b = a^{gH}$ . We denote by  $\mathcal{R}^{gH}$  the set of all generalized Hirano invertible elements in  $\mathcal{R}$ .

In 1965, Cline [4] discovered that Drazin invertibility of  $ab$  is transferred to that of  $ba$  and  $(ba)^D = b((ab)^D)^2a$ . This equation is now called Cline’s formula and it has an important role to express Drazin inverse of the sum of two elements (see [16] for instance). Cline’s formula for generalized Drazin inverse was established in [13]. Recently, it has been found that Cline’s formula for (generalized) Drazin inverse has suitable analogues under the assumptions

$$aba = aca \tag{1}$$

and

$$\begin{cases} acd = dbd \\ dba = aca \end{cases} \tag{2}$$

see [9, 12, 22, 23]. The cases (1) and (2) were introduced by Corach et al. [6] and Yan et al. [20], respectively. Taking “ $a = d$ ” in (2), it gives (1), while letting “ $b = c$ ” in (1), it goes back to Cline’s formula.

The main concern of this note is common properties of the products of elements in a unital associative ring  $\mathcal{R}$ . We extend Cline’s formula for new generalized inverses related to Drazin inverse such as (generalized) strong Drazin inverse and (generalized) Hirano inverse. Precisely, under the assumption (2), we show that

$$ac \in \mathcal{R}^\bullet \iff bd \in \mathcal{R}^\bullet,$$

and we have

$$(ac)^\bullet = d((bd)^\bullet)^3bac \text{ and } (bd)^\bullet = b((ac)^\bullet)^2d,$$

where  $\bullet \in \{sD, gsD, H, gH\}$ . As a special case, we recover some recent results in [1, 3, 8, 19].

**2. Main results**

Wang established Cline’s formula for  $s$ -Drazin inverse (see [19, Theorem 3.1]). In the following, we generalize it to the case when (2) holds.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Suppose that  $a, b, c, d \in \mathcal{R}$  satisfy  $acd = dbd$  and  $dba = aca$ . Then  $ac \in \mathcal{R}^{sD}$  if and only if  $bd \in \mathcal{R}^{sD}$ . In this case, we have  $(ac)^{sD} = d((bd)^{sD})^3bac$ ,  $(bd)^{sD} = b((ac)^{sD})^2d$  and  $|i_{sD}(ac) - i_{sD}(bd)| \leq 2$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that there exist  $s \in \mathcal{R}$  and a non-negative integer  $k$  such that

$$s(bd) = (bd)s, s(bd)s = s \text{ and } (bd - sbd)^k = 0.$$

Take  $t = ds^3bac$ . By [22, Theorem 2.1],  $t$  is a Drazin inverse of  $ac$ , so we have  $t(ac) = (ac)t$  and  $t(ac)t = t$ . Thus, to prove that  $ac \in \mathcal{R}^{sD}$ , it is sufficient to show  $(ac - act)^{k+2} = 0$ .

Since  $(1 - s)^k(bd)^k = 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned} & (ac - act)^{k+2} \\ &= (ac - acds^3bac)^{k+2} = (ac - dbds^3bac)^{k+2} = (ac - ds^2bac)^{k+2} \\ &= [(1 - ds^2b)ac]^{k+2} \\ &= (1 - ds^2b)[ac(1 - ds^2b)]^{k+1}(ac) \\ &= (1 - ds^2b)(ac - dbds^2b)^{k+1}(ac) \\ &= (1 - ds^2b)(ac - dsb)^{k+1}(ac) \\ &= (1 - ds^2b)(ac - dsb)^k(dbac - dsbac) \\ &= (1 - ds^2b)(ac - dsb)^k d(1 - s)bac \\ &= (1 - ds^2b)(ac - dsb)^{k-1} d(1 - s)bd(1 - s)bac \\ &= d(1 - s)^{k+2}(bd)^k bac, \end{aligned}$$

we get  $(ac - act)^{k+2} = 0$ , as required.

Conversely, suppose that  $ac \in \mathcal{R}^{sD}$  and let  $u$  be the strong Drazin inverse of  $ac$  and  $m$  its index. Set  $v = bu^2d$ . By [22, Theorem 2.1] again, we know that  $v$  is a Drazin inverse of  $bd$ . Therefore it remains only to show  $(bd - bdv)^{m+1} = 0$ . Noting  $bd - bdv = bd - bdbu^2d = bd - dbbacu^3d = bd - bacacu^3d = b(1 - u)d$  and

$$\begin{aligned} [b(1 - u)d]^{m+1} &= [b(1 - u)d][b(1 - u)d][b(1 - u)d]^{m-1} \\ &= b(1 - u)(dbd - dbud)[b(1 - u)d]^{m-1} \\ &= b(1 - u)(acd - dbacu^2d)[b(1 - u)d]^{m-1} \\ &= b(1 - u)(acd - acacu^2d)[b(1 - u)d]^{m-1} \\ &= b(1 - u)(ac - acu)d[b(1 - u)d]^{m-1} \\ &= \dots \\ &= b(1 - u)(ac - acu)^m d \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

we conclude that  $(bd - bdv)^{m+1} = 0$ .  $\square$

In the sequel, we use  $\mathcal{B}(X, Y)$  to denote the set of all bounded linear operators from Banach space  $X$  to Banach space  $Y$ . Using the technique of block matrices, we obtain the operator case of Theorem 2.1.

**Corollary 2.2.** *Suppose that  $A, D \in \mathcal{B}(X, Y)$  and  $B, C \in \mathcal{B}(Y, X)$  satisfy  $ACD = DBD$  and  $DBA = ACA$ . Then  $AC$  is  $s$ -Drazin invertible if and only if  $BD$  is  $s$ -Drazin invertible. In this case, we have  $(AC)^{sD} = D((BD)^{sD})^3BAC$  and  $(BD)^{sD} = B((AC)^{sD})^2D$ .*

**Corollary 2.3.** *Suppose that  $a, b, c, d \in \mathcal{R}$  satisfy  $acd = dbd$  and  $dba = aca$  and let  $n \geq 2$  be an integer. Then  $(ac)^n \in \mathcal{R}^{sD}$  if and only if  $(bd)^n \in \mathcal{R}^{sD}$ . In this case,*

$$((bd)^n)^{sD} = b[(ac)^n]^{sD}d(bd)^{n-1} \text{ and } ((ac)^n)^{sD} = d[(bd)^n]^{sD}b(ac)^{n-1}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $b' = b(db)^{n-1}$  and  $c' = c(ac)^{n-1}$ . Then  $ac'd = db'd$  and  $db'a = ac'a$ . From Theorem 2.1, it follows that  $(ac)^n = ac' \in \mathcal{R}^{sD}$  if and only if  $(bd)^n = b'd \in \mathcal{R}^{sD}$ , and we have

$$((bd)^n)^{sD} = (b'd)^{sD} = b'((ac')^{sD})^2d = b[(ac)^n]^{sD}d(bd)^{n-1}$$

and

$$((ac)^n)^{sD} = (ac')^{sD} = d((b'd)^{sD})^3b'ac' = d[(bd)^n]^{sD}b(ac)^{n-1},$$

as required.  $\square$

Jacobson’s lemma states that  $1 - ab \in \mathcal{R}^{-1}$  if and only if  $1 - ba \in \mathcal{R}^{-1}$ . In recent years, numerous mathematicians paid much attention to Jacobson’s lemma for (generalized) Drazin inverse (see [2, 5, 11, 17, 18, 24]). Finding proper counterparts of Jacobson’s lemma for (generalized) Drazin inverse under the condition (2), the interested readers should refer to [15, 21].

In [19, Lemma 3.3], Wang proved that if  $a \in \mathcal{R}^{sD}$  with  $i_{sD}(a) = k$ , then  $1 - a \in \mathcal{R}^{sD}$  with  $i_{sD}(1 - a) = k$  and  $(1 - a)^{sD} = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} a^i(1 - aa^{sD})$ . This result establishes a bridge from Cline’s formula for s-Drazin inverse to Jacobson’s Lemma for s-Drazin inverse.

**Corollary 2.4.** *Suppose that  $a, b, c, d \in \mathcal{R}$  satisfy  $acd = dbd$  and  $dba = aca$ .*

(1) *If  $1 - ac \in \mathcal{R}^{sD}$  with  $i_{sD}(1 - ac) = k$ , then  $1 - bd \in \mathcal{R}^{sD}$  and*

$$(1 - bd)^{sD} = \sum_{i=0}^k (bd)^i - b\left[\sum_{i=0}^k \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} (bd)^i(1 - ac)^j\right][1 - (1 - ac)(1 - ac)^{sD}]d.$$

(2) *If  $1 - bd \in \mathcal{R}^{sD}$  with  $i_{sD}(1 - bd) = k$ , then  $1 - ac \in \mathcal{R}^{sD}$  and*

$$(1 - ac)^{sD} = \sum_{i=0}^{k+1} (ac)^i - d\left[\sum_{i=0}^{k+1} (ac)^i\right]\left[\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} (1 - bd)^j\right]^2[1 - (1 - bd)(1 - bd)^{sD}]bac.$$

*Proof.* (1) By [19, Lemma 3.3],  $ac \in \mathcal{R}^{sD}$  and

$$(ac)^{sD} = \left[\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} (1 - ac)^j\right][1 - (1 - ac)(1 - ac)^{sD}].$$

Applying Theorem 2.1, we can get  $bd \in \mathcal{R}^{sD}$  and  $(bd)^{sD} = b((ac)^{sD})^2d$  and  $i_{sD}(bd) \leq k + 1$ . According to [19, Lemma 3.3] again, it follows that  $1 - bd \in \mathcal{R}^{sD}$  and

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - bd)^{sD} &= \left[\sum_{i=0}^k (bd)^i\right][1 - (bd)(bd)^{sD}] = \left[\sum_{i=0}^k (bd)^i\right][1 - b(ac)^{sD}d] \\ &= \left[\sum_{i=0}^k (bd)^i\right][1 - b\left[\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} (1 - ac)^j\right][1 - (1 - ac)(1 - ac)^{sD}]d] \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^k (bd)^i - b\left[\sum_{i=0}^k \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} (bd)^i(1 - ac)^j\right][1 - (1 - ac)(1 - ac)^{sD}]d. \end{aligned}$$

(2) The proof is similar to that of (1).  $\square$

Cline’s formula for  $gs$ -Drazin inverse was established in [8, Theorem 4.14] under the assumption (1). Next, we generalize it to the case when (2) holds. The following auxiliary lemma is needed.

**Lemma 2.5.** ([22, Lemma 2.6]) *Suppose that  $a, b, c, d \in \mathcal{R}$  satisfy  $acd = dbd$  and  $dba = aca$ . Then  $ac \in \mathcal{R}^{qnil}$  if and only if  $bd \in \mathcal{R}^{qnil}$ .*

**Theorem 2.6.** *Suppose that  $a, b, c, d \in \mathcal{R}$  satisfy  $acd = dbd$  and  $dba = aca$ . Then  $ac \in \mathcal{R}^{gsD}$  if and only if  $bd \in \mathcal{R}^{gsD}$ . In this case, we have  $(ac)^{gsD} = d((bd)^{gsD})^3bac$  and  $(bd)^{gsD} = b((ac)^{gsD})^2d$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $bd \in \mathcal{R}^{gsD}$  and let  $s$  be the generalized strong Drazin inverse of  $bd$ . Take  $t = ds^3bac$ . From [22, Theorem 2.7] it follows that,  $t$  is a generalized Drazin inverse of  $ac$ . Hence, in order to show that  $ac \in \mathcal{R}^{gsD}$ , it is sufficient to prove  $(ac - act) \in \mathcal{R}^{qnil}$ . Let  $a' = (1 - ds^2b)a$  and  $b' = (1 - s)b$ . Then  $b'd \in \mathcal{R}^{qnil}$ . Moreover, a direct calculation shows that  $a'cd = db'd$ ,  $db'a' = a'ca'$  and  $ac - act = a'c$ . Then by Lemma 2.5, we deduce that  $ac - act \in \mathcal{R}^{qnil}$ , which yields that  $ac \in \mathcal{R}^{gsD}$ .

By similar arguments as above, one can show that if  $ac \in \mathcal{R}^{gsD}$ , then  $bd \in \mathcal{R}^{gsD}$  and  $(bd)^{gsD} = b((ac)^{gsD})^2d$ .  $\square$

From the proof of [19, Lemma 3.3], we can also deduce that  $a \in \mathcal{R}^{gsD}$  if and only if  $1 - a \in \mathcal{R}^{gsD}$ . Hence, as an immediate consequence of Theorem 2.6, we arrive at the following result.

**Corollary 2.7.** *Suppose that  $a, b, c, d \in \mathcal{R}$  satisfy  $acd = dbd$  and  $dba = aca$ . Then  $1 - ac \in \mathcal{R}^{gsD}$  if and only if  $1 - bd \in \mathcal{R}^{gsD}$ .*

In the following, as an extension of [3, Theorem 4.1], we establish Cline’s formula for Hirano inverse under the condition (2).

**Theorem 2.8.** *Suppose that  $a, b, c, d \in \mathcal{R}$  satisfy  $acd = dbd$  and  $dba = aca$ . Then  $ac \in \mathcal{R}^H$  if and only if  $bd \in \mathcal{R}^H$ . In this case, we have  $(ac)^H = d((bd)^H)^3bac$ ,  $(bd)^H = b((ac)^H)^2d$  and  $|i_H(ac) - i_H(bd)| \leq 1$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that there exist  $s \in \mathcal{R}$  and a non-negative integer  $k$  such that

$$s(bd) = (bd)s, s(bd)s = s \text{ and } ((bd)^2 - sbd)^k = 0.$$

Take  $t = ds^3bac$ . By [22, Theorem 2.1],  $t$  is a Drazin inverse of  $ac$ , so we have  $t(ac) = (ac)t$  and  $t(ac)t = t$ . Thus, to prove that  $ac \in \mathcal{R}^H$ , it is sufficient to show  $((ac)^2 - act)^{k+1} = 0$ .

Since  $(bd - s)^k(bd)^k = 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned} & ((ac)^2 - act)^{k+1} \\ &= ((ac)^2 - acds^3bac)^{k+1} = ((ac)^2 - dbds^3bac)^{k+1} \\ &= ((ac)^2 - ds^2bac)^{k+1} = [(ac - ds^2b)ac]^{k+1} \\ &= (ac - ds^2b)[ac(ac - ds^2b)]^k(ac) \\ &= (ac - ds^2b)(dbac - dsb)^k(ac) \\ &= (ac - ds^2b)(dbac - dsb)^{k-1}d(bd - s)bac \\ &= (ac - ds^2b)(dbac - dsb)^{k-2}d(bd - s)bd(bd - s)bac \\ &= d(1 - s^2)(bd - s)^k(bd)^k bac, \end{aligned}$$

we get  $((ac)^2 - act)^{k+1} = 0$ , as required.

Conversely, suppose that  $ac \in \mathcal{R}^H$  and let  $u$  be the Hirano inverse of  $ac$  and  $m$  its index. Set  $v = bu^2d$ . By [22, Theorem 2.1] again, we know that  $v$  is a Drazin inverse of  $bd$ . Therefore it remains only to show  $((bd)^2 - bdv)^{m+1} = 0$ . Noting  $(bd)^2 - bdv = bacd - bdbu^2d = bacd - dbacu^3d = bacd - bacacu^3d = b(ac - u)d$  and  $[b(ac - u)d]^{m+1} = b(ac - u)((ac)^2 - acu)^m d = 0$ , we conclude that  $(bd - bdv)^{m+1} = 0$ .  $\square$

At last, Cline’s formula for generalized Hirano inverse is established under the assumption (2), extending [1, Theorem 4.1].

**Theorem 2.9.** *Suppose that  $a, b, c, d \in \mathcal{R}$  satisfy  $acd = dbd$  and  $dba = aca$ . Then  $ac \in \mathcal{R}^{gH}$  if and only if  $bd \in \mathcal{R}^{gH}$ . In this case, we have  $(ac)^{gH} = d((bd)^{gH})^3bac$  and  $(bd)^{gH} = b((ac)^{gH})^2d$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $bd \in \mathcal{R}^{gH}$  and let  $s$  be the generalized Hirano inverse of  $bd$ . Take  $t = ds^3bac$ . From [22, Theorem 2.7] it follows that,  $t$  is a generalized Drazin inverse of  $ac$ . Hence, in order to show that  $ac \in \mathcal{R}^{gH}$ , it is sufficient to prove  $(ac)^2 - act \in \mathcal{R}^{qnil}$ . Let  $a' = d(1 - s^2)ba$  and  $b' = bac - sb$ . Then  $b'd \in \mathcal{R}^{qnil}$ . Moreover, a direct calculation shows that  $a'cd = db'd$ ,  $db'a' = a'ca'$  and  $(ac)^2 - act = a'c$ . Then by Lemma 2.5, we deduce that  $(ac)^2 - act \in \mathcal{R}^{qnil}$ , which yields that  $ac \in \mathcal{R}^{gH}$ .

By similar arguments as above, one can show that if  $ac \in \mathcal{R}^{gH}$ , then  $bd \in \mathcal{R}^{gH}$  and  $(bd)^{gH} = b((ac)^{gH})^2d$ .  $\square$

Remark that similar results of Corollaries 2.2 and 2.3 hold also for generalized strong Drazin inverse, Hirano inverse and generalized Hirano inverse. We conclude this note by a numerical example to demonstrate Theorems 2.1, 2.6, 2.8 and 2.9.

**Example 2.10.** *Consider the matrices  $A, B, C, D \in M_6(\mathbb{C})$  as following:*

$$A = D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

A direct calculation shows that  $ACD = DBD$  and  $DBA = ACA$ . Moreover,

$$AC = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 16 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } BD = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -6 & 3 & -1 & 2 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 3 & 6 \\ -4 & 2 & -1 & 4 & 4 & 8 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 & -3 & -3 & -6 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 8 \\ 2 & 0 & 16 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  are idempotents, it is clear that  $AC$  is strong Drazin invertible (resp. generalized strongly Drazin invertible, Hirano invertible, generalized Hirano invertible), and  $(AC)^\bullet = AC$ , where  $\bullet \in \{sD, gsD, H, gH\}$ . Hence, by Theorem 2.1 (resp. Theorem 2.6, Theorem 2.8, Theorem 2.9), we obtain the exact value of  $(BD)^\bullet$ ,

$$(BD)^\bullet = B((AC)^\bullet)^2D = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -6 & 3 & -3 & 2 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 3 & 6 \\ -4 & 2 & -2 & 4 & 4 & 8 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 & -3 & -3 & -6 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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