

On the Solution of the Operator Equation $AT - TB = S^*$

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Let H, K be two Hilbert spaces over complex field Λ . Let $B(H, K)$ denote the set of all bounded linear operators from H to K . If $H=K$, we write $B(H)$ instead of $B(H, K)$. Consider the operator defined by the equation

$$D_{AB}T = AT - TB$$

which is called generalized derivation. In [1] it was shown that $\sigma(D) \subset \sigma(A) - \sigma(B)$ where $\sigma(T)$ denotes the spectrum of T . Therefore if $\sigma(A) \cap \sigma(B) = \emptyset$, then D_{AB} is invertible and hence the equation

$$AT - TB = S \tag{1}$$

has an unique solution for every $S \in B(K, H)$. If $0 \in \sigma(D_{AB})$, then the solution is complicated. In the present note we confine our attention to the solution of (1) in a special case: A and B are nilpotent operators, $S \in \overline{R(D_{AB})}$ (the closure of the range of D_{AB}). By a program well designed we shall show that (1) does have solutions under some sufficient conditions. Obviously, such a result can be viewed as a sufficient condition for D_{AB} to have closed range.

For nilpotent operators A and B of order n , define subspaces

$$H_i = \ker A^i \ominus \ker A^{i-1}, \quad K_i = \ker B^i \ominus \ker B^{i-1}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n, \tag{2}$$

let P_i, Q_i be the orthogonal projections of H, K on H_i, K_i respectively and

$$A_i = P_i A P_{i+1}, \quad B_i = Q_i B Q_{i+1}, \quad 1 \leq i < n. \tag{3}$$

We begin with stating two definitions. (For details see [2].)

Definition 1. Let $1 \leq k_1 < \dots < k_{m-1} < n$ be $m-1$ natural numbers. If only $R(A^{k_p})$, $1 \leq p \leq m-1$ are closed, then we say that the C-state of A is $\{k_1, \dots, k_{m-1}\}$ and denote this situation by $C(A) = \{k_1, \dots, k_{m-1}\}$. If all $R(A_k)$ are closed, but only A_{k_p} , $1 \leq p \leq m-1$ are not invertible (equivalently $R(A_{k_p}) \subsetneq H_{k_p}$), then we say that the I-state of A is $\{k_1, \dots, k_{m-1}\}$ and denote this situation by $I(A) = \{k_1, \dots, k_{m-1}\}$.

Let $X_i(p)$, $1 \leq i \leq k_p$, $1 \leq p \leq m$ be pairwise disjoint Banach spaces and X be the direct sum

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$$X = \sum_{p=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^{k_p} X_i(p),$$

then every $A \in B(X)$ has the form

$$A = (A) = (a_{ij}(p, q)) \quad 1 \leq p, q \leq m, \quad 1 \leq i \leq k_p, \quad 1 \leq j \leq k_q,$$

where $a_{ij}(p, q) \in B(X_j(q), X_i(p))$.

Definition 2. If $a_{ij}(p, q)$ satisfy the conditions

I) $a_{ij}(p, p) = 0$ for $i \geq j$ and $a_{ij}(p, q) = 0$ for $p \neq q$ and $i \geq j-1$;

II) $a_{ii-1}(p, p)$ are invertible for $1 \leq i \leq k_p$,

then (A) is called a matrix of type I $\{k_1, \dots, k_{m-1}\}$. If II) is replaced by

II') $a_{ii-1}(p, p)$ are injective for $1 \leq i \leq k_p$ and the first k_{p-1} ones are invertible,

then (A) is called a matrix of type C $\{k_1, \dots, k_{m-1}\}$.

In [2] we have obtained

Theorem 1. Let H be a Hilbert space, $A \in B(H)$ be a nilpotent operator of order n , and $I(A) = (C(A) \supset) \{k_1, \dots, k_{m-1}\}$, then A has a matrix form of type I $\{k_1, \dots, k_{m-1}\}$ (C $\{k_1, \dots, k_{m-1}\}$) which will be called the fine matrix representation of A .

Proposition 1. Let H, K be complex Hilbert spaces, $A \in B(H)$, $B \in B(K)$ be nilpotent operators of order n , if $I(A) = \supset$, then the equation (1) has solutions for $S \in \overline{R(D_{AB})}$.

Proof. Since $S \in \overline{R(D_{AB})}$, there exists a sequence $\{T^{(k)}\} \subset B(K, H)$ such that

$$AT^{(k)} - T^{(k)}B \rightarrow S \quad (4)$$

Define H_i, K_i, A_i, B_i by (2) and (3), then $A, B, T^{(k)}, S$ have the following matrix forms

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A_1 & \cdots & * \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & & & A_{n-1} \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B_1 & \cdots & * \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & & & B_{n-1} \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T^{(k)} = (t_{ij}^{(k)}) \quad , \quad S = (S_{ij})$$

where A_1, \dots, A_{n-1} are invertible. First we consider column 1 of (4):

$$A_1 t_{21}^{(k)} + * t_{31}^{(k)} + \cdots + * t_{n1}^{(k)} \rightarrow S_{11}, \dots, A_{n-1} t_{n1}^{(k)} \rightarrow S_{n-1,1}, 0 \rightarrow S_{n,1}. \quad (5)$$

Since A_k are invertible, the solution of (1) is

$$t_{n1} = A_{n-1}^{-1} S_{n-1,1}, \dots, t_{21} = A_1^{-1} (S_{11} - * t_{31} - \cdots - * t_{n1})$$

and we observe that

$$t_{i1}^{(k)} \rightarrow t_{i1} \quad \text{for } 2 \leq i \leq n. \quad (6)$$

The column 2 of (4) is $A_1 t_{22}^{(k)} + \cdots + * t_{n2}^{(k)} - t_{11}^{(k)} B_2 \rightarrow S_{12}, \dots, A_{n-1} t_{n2}^{(k)} - t_{n-1,1}^{(k)} B_2 \rightarrow S_{n-1,2}, t_{n1}^{(k)} B_2 \rightarrow S_{n2}$. (6) implies $-t_{n1} B_2 = S_{n2}$. Since t_{n1}, \dots, t_{21} have been known, t_{n2}, \dots, t_{32} can be determined. Continuing in the same way we obtain the

entries $\{t_{ij}, i \leq j\}$ and

$$t_{ij}^{(k)} \rightarrow t_{ij} \quad \text{for } i > j. \quad (7)$$

To find the others, we define arbitrarily t_{1j} for $1 \leq j \leq n$ and consider again the columns $2, \dots, n$ in turn. Using the invertibility of A_i' s we can find the entries $\{t_{ij}, i \leq j\}$. Finally put $T = (t_{ij})$ which is a solution of (1).

Remark 1. Since t_{1j} are arbitrary for $1 \leq j \leq n$, the solution is not unique.

Remark 2. (7) implies that the equations determined by the last line are automatically satisfied.

Proposition 2. Let H, K be complex Hilbert spaces, $A \in B(H)$, $B \in B(K)$ be nilpotent operators of order n . If $I(A) \subset C(B)$, then the equation (1) has solutions for $S \in \overline{R(D_{AB})}$.

Proof. By Theorem 1 we may assume that

$$A = (A) = (a_{ij}(p, q)), \quad B = (B) = (b_{ij}(p, q))$$

where $a_{ij}(p, q), b_{ij}(p, q)$ satisfy the conditions $I)_\bullet, II)$, and $I), II')$ respectively.

The solution is rather complicated which depends partly on the invertibility of $a_{i,i+1}(p, p)$'s and partly on the closedness of $R(B^{kp})$'s. By the proof of Proposition 1 we can consider directly the equation (1) instead of (4). For convenience's sake, we introduce some notation first. The $\text{col } j(q)$ of (S) is the column

$$(S_{1j}(1, q), \dots, S_{k_j j}(1, q), \dots, S_{1j}(m, q), \dots, S_{k_m j}(m, q))^T;$$

the line $i(p)$ of (S) is the line

$$(S_{i1}(p, 1), \dots, S_{ik_1}(p, 1), \dots, S_{i1}(p, m), \dots, S_{ik_m}(p, m));$$

the equ $ij(p, q)$ of (1) is the one determined by the entry with subscript $ij(p, q)$ of (1), namely

$$\left(\sum_{\substack{i+2 \leq j' \leq k_q \\ 1 \leq q' < p}} + \sum_{\substack{i+1 \leq j' \leq k_p \\ q' = p}} + \sum_{\substack{i+2 \leq j' \leq k_q \\ p < q' \leq m}} \right) a_{ij'}(p, q') t_{j'j}(q', q) \\ \left(- \sum_{\substack{1 \leq j' \leq j-2 \\ 1 \leq q' < q}} - \sum_{\substack{1 \leq j' \leq j-1 \\ q' = p}} - \sum_{\substack{1 \leq j' \leq j-2 \\ p < q' \leq m}} \right) t_{ij'}(p, q') b_{j'j}(q', q) = S_{ij}(p, q). \quad (8)$$

Remark 2 implies that we need not consider the equ's with such subscripts $ij(p, q)$ where $i = k_p, p \geq q, 1 \leq q \leq m$.

The whole solution contains several steps;

1) Consider the col's $1(q)$ ($1 \leq q \leq m$) of (1). Since $b_{i1}(p, q) = 0$ for $1 \leq i \leq k_p, 1 \leq p, q \leq m$, the sum of $t_{ij'} b_{j'j}$ in (8) are zero, consequently the corresponding equ's are the simplest. First we solve the equ's $i1(p, q)$,

$k_{m-1} - 1 \leq i < k_m$. By the condition I) they can be written as

$$a_{k_{m-1}-1, k_{m-1}}(m, m)t_{k_{m-1}, 1}(m, q) + \dots + \ast t_{k_m, 1}(m, q) = S_{k_{m-1}-1, 1}(m, q),$$

$$\dots, a_{k_m-1, k_m}(m, m)t_{k_m, 1}(m, q) = S_{k_m-1, 1}(m, q)$$

By condition II) we can find the solution $\{t_{i1}(m, q), k_{m-1} \leq i \leq k_m\}$. Next we turn to the equ $k_{m-1}-1, 1(m-1, q)$. Since $k_p < k_{p-1}$, the first sum in (8) is zero. Thus the equ $k_{m-1}-1, 1(m-1, q)$ has the form

$$a_{k_{m-1}-1, k_{m-1}}(m-1, m-1)t_{k_{m-1}, 1}(m-1, q) + \sum_{k_{m-1} \leq j' \leq k_m} a_{k_{m-1}-1, j'}(m-1, m)t_{j', 1}(m, q) = S_{k_{m-1}-1, 1}(m-1, q).$$

Since all of t_{ij} in the above sum are known, by II) we can obtain $t_{k_{m-1}, 1}(m-1, q)$. Put $i = k_{m-1} - 2, \dots, 1$ in turn and for each i consider the equ's $i1(p, q)$ for $i < k_p$. Using the same argument we can find the entries $\{t_{i1}(p, q), 2 \leq i \leq k_p, 1 \leq p, q \leq m\}$.

2) consider the col's $2(q)$ ($1 \leq q \leq m$). In this case by I) only $t_{i1}(p, q)$ $b_{12}(q, q)$ appear in the left side of the equ's $i2(p, q)$. (See equ (8).) However the entries $\{t_{i1}(p, q), 2 \leq i \leq k_p, 1 \leq p, q \leq m\}$ have been known we can solve the equ' $i2(p, q), 2 \leq i < k_p$ to obtain the entries $\{t_{i2}(p, q), 3 \leq i \leq k_p, 1 \leq p, q \leq m\}$. Continuing in the same way we obtain the entries $\{t_{ij}(p, q), i > j, 1 \leq p, q \leq m\}$. Moreover we have the following set equality $\{j, a_{ij}(p, q) (b_{ij}(p, q)) \text{ may be nonzero}\} = \{j, t_{ji+1}(p, p') \text{ are}$

determined\} = \begin{cases} \emptyset, & q \neq p \\ \{i+1\}, & q = p \end{cases} K_q, \text{ for any given } i, p, q, q'.

3) To solve the equ's $ij(m, q)$ ($i < j \leq k_q, 1 \leq q \leq m$) we define arbitrarily $t_{1j}(m, q)$ for $1 \leq j \leq k_q, 1 \leq q \leq m$. By II) we can find the solution $\{t_{ij}(m, q), i \leq j \leq k_q, 1 \leq q \leq m\}$ according to the order $j=2, \dots, k_m$, for each j let $q=1, \dots, m$ and $i=j-1, \dots, 1$. Thus all entries in the line's $i(m), 1 \leq i \leq k_m$ are determined.

4) In order to determine the entries $t_{ij}(m-1, q)$, we can not follow 3) word for word. The reason is that if define $t_{1j}(m-1, q)$ arbitrarily then $t_{k_{m-1}, k_{m-1}}(m-1, m)$ will be determined by the equ $k_{m-1}-1, k_{m-1}(m-1, m)$ (via $a_{k_{m-1}-1, k_{m-1}}(m-1, m-1)$ is invertible) and it will appear in the equ $k_{m-1}k_m(m-1, m)$, because, by the definition of $K_{k_m}(m)$ $b_{k_{m-1}, k_m}(m, m) \neq 0$. But it is not sure that the entry will satisfy the equation. While the analysis is done, the solution is at hand. Consider the equ's $k_{m-1}k_{m-1}+i(m-1, m), 1 \leq i \leq k_m - k_{m-1}$, which can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(- \sum_{q=m}^{k_{m-1}+i-2} \sum_{j=k_{m-1}}^{k_{m-1}+i-1} t_{k_{m-1},j}(m-1, q) b_{j, k_{m-1}+i}(q, m) - \sum_{j=k_{m-1}}^{k_{m-1}+i-1} t_{k_{m-1},j}(m-1, m) b_{j, k_{m-1}+i}(m, m) \right) \\ & = S'_{k_{m-1}, k_{m-1}+i}(m-1, m) \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} S'_{k_{m-1}, k_{m-1}+i}(m-1, m) &= S_{k_{m-1}, k_{m-1}+i}(m-1, m) - \sum_{j=k_{m-1}+2}^{k_m} a_{k_{m-1},j}(m-1, m) t_{j, k_{m-1}+i} \\ & (m, m) + \sum_{q=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^{k_{m-1}-1} t_{k_{m-1},j}(m-1, q) b_{j, k_{m-1}+i}(q, m) \end{aligned}$$

are known. For each entry $t_{k_{m-1},j}(m-1, q)$ in the left side of (10), consider equ's $i, i+j-k_{m-1}+1(m-1, q), 1 \leq i < k_{m-1}$, which can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} & a_{12}(m-1, m-1) t_{2, j-k_{m-1}+2}(m-1, q) - t_{1, k_{m-1}+1}(m-1, q) b_{j-k_{m-1}+1, j-k_{m-1}+2} \\ & \cdot (q, q) = S'_{1, j-k_{m-1}+2}(m-1, q), \dots, \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & a_{k_{m-1}-1, k_{m-1}}(m-1, m-1) t_{k_{m-1}, j}(m-1, q) - t_{k_{m-1}-1, j-1}(m-1, q) b_{j-1, j}(q, q) \\ & = S'_{k_{m-1}-1, j}(m-1, q) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} S'_{i, i+j-k_{m-1}+1}(m-1, q) &= S_{i, i+j-k_{m-1}+1}(m-1, q) - \sum_{q=1}^m \sum_{j'=i+2}^{k_q'} a_{ij'}(m-1, q') \\ & \cdot t_{j', i+j-k_{m-1}+1}(q', q) + \sum_{q'=1}^m \sum_{j'=1}^{i+j-k_{m-1}-1} t_{ij'}(m-1, q') b_{j', i+j-k_{m-1}+1}(q', q) \end{aligned}$$

are known by the set equality (9). Since $a_{i, i+1}(m-1, m-1)$ are invertible, $t_{i, i+j-k_{m-1}}(m-1, q)$ can be presented by $t_{i-1, i+j-k_{m-1}-1}(m-1, q)$. A straightforward matrix multiplication shows that the successive substitution of the expression of $t_{i, i+j-k_{m-1}}$ by $t_{i-1, i+j-k_{m-1}-1}$ into the equ $k_{m-1}k_{m-1}+i(m-1, m)$ yields

$$T'_{m-1} B^{k_{m-1}} = S_{m-1} \quad (12)$$

where

$$T'_{m-1} = (t_{1j}(m-1, q)), \quad S_{m-1} = (S''_{1j}(m-1, q))$$

is known and $S''_{1j}(m-1, q) = 0$ for $j \leq k_{m-1}$ (because the entries $\beta_{ij}(p, q)$ of $B^{k_{m-1}}$ are zero for $j \leq k_{m-1}$). Since $B^{k_{m-1}}$ is injective on $(\ker B^{k_{m-1}})^\perp$, $\dim R(B^{k_{m-1}}) = \dim(\ker B^{k_{m-1}})^\perp$. Since $R(B^{k_{m-1}})$ is closed, T'_{m-1} is determined on $R(B^{k_{m-1}})$ by (12).

Let T_{m-1} be an extension of T'_{m-1} on the subspace $\sum_{k=1}^{k_m} \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} k_j(q) + \sum_{j=1}^{k_m} k_j(m)$ and put

$$t_{1j}(m-1, q) = T_{m-1} k_j(q).$$

Then define the other entries $t_{ij}(m-1, q)$ arbitrarily and employ the method used in (3) to obtain the entries $\{t_{ij}(m-1, q), 1 \leq q \leq m\}$.

5) To determine the entries $t_{ij}(p, q), 1 \leq p \leq m-2$, we can use closedness of $R(B^{k_p})$. The difference from (4) is that we should consider more equ's $k_p - k_p + i(p, q), 1 \leq i \leq k_q - k_p, p < q \leq m$ instead of equ's (10).

Finally put $T = (t_{ij})$ which is a solution of (1).

Now we are in the position to prove the result.

Theorem 2. Let H, K be complex Hilbert spaces and $A \in B(H), B \in B(K)$ be nilpotent operators of order n , the equation (1) has solutions for $S \in \overline{R(D_{AB})}$ if at least one of the following conditions is satisfied:

i) $I(A) = \emptyset$; ii) $I(B) = \emptyset$; iii) $C(A) = C(B) = \{1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$. iv) $I(A) \subset C(B)$; v) $C(A) \supset I(B)$.

Proof. For case i) we apply proposition 1. For case iii) we apply Lemma 4.2 of [1]. For case iv) we apply Proposition 2. For case ii) and v) we consider $D_{B^*A^*}$, then apply Theorem 3 of [2], Lemma 2.2 of [1] and Proposition 1 and 2.

In order to illustrate the method used above we give two examples here.

Example 1. Assume $A^3 = B^3 = 0, I(A) = C(B) = \{2\}$. Then set

$$H'_5 = \ker A^3 \ominus \ker A^2, H'_4 = A_2 H'_5, H'_3 = A_1 H'_4,$$

$$H'_1 = \ker A \ominus H'_3, H'_2 = \{x \in (\ker A^2 \ominus \ker A), A_1 x \in H'_1\}.$$

Similarly define K'_i 's. Thus

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a_2 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & * \\ 0 & 0 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ 0 & 0 & \vdots & 0 & a_4 & * \\ 0 & 0 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & a_5 \\ 0 & 0 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & b_2 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & * \\ 0 & 0 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ 0 & 0 & \vdots & 0 & b_4 & * \\ 0 & 0 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & b \\ 0 & 0 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ 0 & 0 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & b_4 b_5 \\ 0 & 0 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where a_2, a_4, a_5, b_4, b_5 are invertible. $R(b_4 b_5) = R(B^2)$ is closed. The equation

(1) can be written as

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_2 t_{21} + * t_{51} & a_2 t_{22} + * t_{52} - t_{11} b_2 & a_2 t_{23} + * t_{53} & a_2 t_{24} + * t_{54} - t_{13} b_4 & a_2 t_{25} + * t_{55} - t_{11} * - t_{14} b_5 \\ 0 & -t_{21} b_2 & 0 & -t_{23} b_4 & -t_{21} * - t_{23} * - t_{24} b_5 \\ a_4 t_{41} + * t_{51} & a_4 t_{42} + * t_{52} - t_{31} b_2 & a_4 t_{43} + * t_{53} & a_4 t_{44} + * t_{54} - t_{33} b_4 & a_4 t_{45} + * t_{55} - t_{31} * - t_{34} b_5 \\ a_5 t_{51} & a_5 t_{52} - t_{41} b_2 & a_5 t_{53} & a_5 t_{54} - t_{43} b_4 & a_5 t_{55} - t_{41} * - t_{43} * - t_{44} b_5 \\ 0 & -t_{51} b_2 & 0 & -t_{53} b_4 & -t_{51} * - t_{53} * - t_{54} b_5 \end{bmatrix} = (S_{ij})$$

By Remark 2 we need not consider the equ's $(5, 1) - (5, 5)$ and $(2, 1) - (2, 4)$.

Solution i) Since a_2, a_4 and a_5 are invertible we can solve the equ's corresponding to the columns 1, 3 to obtain $t_{51}, t_{41}, t_{21}, t_{53}, t_{43}$, and t_{23} . (Note

that these entries automatically satisfy the equ's (2, 2) (2, 4), (5, 2), (5, 4)),

ii) Solve the equ's (4, 2) and (4, 4) to obtain t_{52}, t_{54} . (Note that t_{51}, t_{53} and t_{54} automatically satisfy the equ (5, 5)).

iii) Define t_{3j} arbitrarily for $1 \leq j \leq 5$ and solve the equ's (3, 2), (3, 3), (4, 5), (3, 5) in turn to obtain t_{42}, t_{44}, t_{55} , and t_{45} .

iv) Solve the equ's (1, 4), and (2, 5), i.e.,

$$a_2' t_{24} - t_{13} b_4 = S_{14}' \quad (13)$$

$$-t_{24} b_5 = S_{25}' \quad (14)$$

where $S_{14}' = S_{14} - *t_{54}$, $S_{25}' = S_{25} + t_{21} * + t_{23} *$. From (13) we have

$$t_{24} = a_2^{-1} (S_{14}' + t_{13} b_4) \quad (15)$$

The substitution of (15) into (14) yields $t_{13} B^2 = -(a_2 S_{25}' + S_{14}' b_5)$. Since $R(B^2)$ is closed and equal to K_3' we can define

$$t_{13} B^2 y = -(a_2 S_{25}' + S_{14}' b_5) y, \quad \forall y \in K_5'.$$

Then determine t_{24} by (15).

v) Define $t_{11}, t_{12}, t_{14}, t_{15}$ arbitrarily and determine t_{22} by equ(1, 2), t_{25} by (1, 5).

Example 2. Assume $A^3 = B^3 = 0$, $I(A) = C(B) = \{1\}$. Then set

$$H_1' = H_1 \oplus R(A_1), H_2' = R(A_1), H_3' = H_2, H_4' = H_3.$$

Similarly define K_i' s. Thus

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & * \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & 0 & a_3 & * \\ 0 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & a_4 \\ 0 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & * \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \vdots & 0 & b_3 & * \\ 0 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & b_4 \\ 0 & \vdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where a_3, a_4 and b_3 are invertible, $R(B)$ is closed. The equ (1) can be written as

$$\begin{bmatrix} *t_{41} & *t_{42} & *t_{43} - t_{12}b_3 & *t_{44} - t_{11}* - t_{12}* - t_{13}b_4 \\ a_3t_{31} + *t_{41} & a_3t_{32} + *t_{42} & a_3t_{33} + *t_{43} - t_{22}b_3 & a_3t_{34} + *t_{44} - t_{21}* - t_{22}* - t_{23}b_4 \\ a_4t_{41} & a_4t_{42} & a_4t_{43} - t_{32}b_3 & a_4t_{44} - t_{31}* - t_{32}* - t_{33}b_4 \\ 0 & 0 & -t_{42}b_3 & -t_{41}* - t_{42}* - t_{43}b_4 \end{bmatrix} = (S_{ij})$$

Similarly to the example 2, we can determine the entries $\{t_{ij}, i \geq 2\}$.

Since B is injective on $K_3' \oplus K_4'$, $\dim(K_3' \oplus K_4') = \dim R(B|_{K_3' \oplus K_4'})$. Since

$R(B|_{K_3' \oplus K_4'})$ is closed, we can define an operator T_1' on $R(B|_{K_3' \oplus K_4'}) \subset K_1' \oplus K_2' \oplus$

K_3' by the equation

$$T_1' B y = (0 \quad 0 \quad S_{13} - *t_{43} \quad S_{14} - *t_{44}) y, \quad \forall y \in K_1' \oplus K_2'.$$

Let T_1 be an extension of T_1' on $K_1' \oplus K_2' \oplus K_3'$ and then put

$$t_{11} = T_{1k'_1}, \quad t_{12} = T_{1k'_2}, \quad t_{13} = T_{1k'_3}.$$

Finally define t_{14} arbitrarily and let $T = (t_{ij})$ which is a solution of (1)

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