## Bilocal Derivations of Reflexive Algebras \*

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**Abstract**: Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a reflexive algebra in reflexive Banach space X such that both  $O_+ \neq O$  and  $X_- \neq X$  in Lat $\mathcal{A}$ , then the set of all derivations of  $\mathcal{A}$  into B(X) is topologically algebraically bireflexive.

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#### 1. Introduction

Let X be a Banach space over the complex field and B(X) denote the algebra of all bounded linear operators on X. If  $\mathcal{B}$  is a Banach subalgebra of B(X), a linear mapping  $\delta: \mathcal{B} \to B(X)$  is called a bilocal derivation if for every  $T \in \mathcal{B}$  and  $u \in X$ , there exists a derivation  $\delta_{T,u}: \mathcal{B} \to B(X)$  (depending on T and u) such that  $\delta(T)u = \delta_{T,u}(T)u$ .

In [1], it was proved that every bilocal derivation of standard operator algebras is an inner derivation.

The main purpose of this paper is to show that if A is a reflexive algebra in reflexive Banach space X such that both  $O_+ \neq O$  and  $X_- \neq X$  in LatA, the invariant subspace lattice of A, then every norm-continuous bilocal derivation of A into B(X) is an inner derivation.

Motivated by the concept of topological reflexivity of linear space of operators, here we raise the concept of topologically algebraic bireflexivity as follows: If  $\mathcal{B}$  is a subalgebra of B(X) and  $B(\mathcal{B}, B(X))$  denotes the algebra of all bounded linear operators from  $\mathcal{B}$  to B(X). For a subset  $\mathcal{S}$  of  $B(\mathcal{B}, B(X))$ , we write

$$\mathrm{biref}_{at}(\mathcal{S}) = \{\varphi \in B(\mathcal{B}, B(X)) : \varphi(B)x \in \mathcal{S}(B)x, \forall B \in \mathcal{B} \text{ and } \forall x \in X\},$$

where  $S(B)x = \{\varphi(B)x : \varphi \in S\}$ . The set S is said to be topologically algebraically bireflexive if  $S = \text{biref}_{at}(S)$ . Therefore our result stated above can be restated that the

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set of all derivations of A into B(X) is topologically algebraically bireflexive.

#### 2. Preliminaries and notations

In what follows we denote by X a fixed complex Banach space. The usual notation  $Lat\mathcal{B}$  will denote the lattice of invariant subspaces for a subset  $\mathcal{B} \subseteq B(X)$ , and  $Alg\mathcal{L}$  will denote the algebra of bounded linear operators leaving invariant every member of a family  $\mathcal{L}$  of subspaces.  $\mathcal{B}$  is reflexive if  $\mathcal{B} = \mathrm{ref}\mathcal{B}$ , where  $\mathrm{ref}\mathcal{B} = \{T \in B(X) : Tx \in [\mathcal{B}x], x \in X\}$ ,  $[\cdot]$  denotes the norm closure.

For a lattice  $\mathcal{L}$  of subspaces of X, if  $N \in \mathcal{L}$ , we denote  $\wedge \{M \in \mathcal{L} : N \not\subseteq M\}$  by  $N_{-}$  and  $\vee \{M \in \mathcal{L} : M \not\subseteq N\}$  by  $N_{+}$ .

For s subset  $S \subseteq X$ ,  $S^{\perp} = \{ f \in X^* : f(S) = \{0\} \}$ , where  $X^*$  is the dual space of X. If  $x \in X$  and  $f \in X^*$ , the rank one operator  $u \longmapsto f(u)x$  is denoted by  $x \otimes f$ .

Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be a Banach subalgebra of B(X), a linear mapping  $\delta: \mathcal{B} \to B(X)$  has Property G if  $\delta(T)\xi$  is in ran T whenever  $\xi$  is in ker T, for all T in  $\mathcal{B}$ . Here, ran T and ker T stand for the range and kernal of T respectively.

**Lemma 2.1**<sup>[3]</sup> If  $\mathcal{L}$  is a subspace lattice, then  $x \otimes f \in \text{Alg}\mathcal{L}$  if and only if there exists an element  $L \in \mathcal{L}$  such that  $x \in L$  and  $f \in (L_{-})^{\perp}$ .

### 3. Bilocal derivations

In what follows  $\mathcal{A}$  will be a reflexive algebra in Banach space X such that both  $O_+ \neq O$  and  $X_- \neq X$  in Lat $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\delta : \mathcal{A} \to B(X)$  be a linear map.

**Lemma 3.1** If  $\delta$  has Property G, given  $N \in \text{Lat}\mathcal{A}$  with  $N \neq O$ , then for each nonzero  $f \in (N_-)^{\perp}$  there exists a continuous linear functional  $\lambda_f^N$  on X such that

$$\delta(x \otimes f)u = \lambda_f^N(u)x$$
 for any  $u \in \ker f$ .

**Proof** Fix  $f \in (N_-)^{\perp}$  with  $f \neq 0$ . As  $\delta$  has Property G,  $\delta(x \otimes f)$  maps  $\ker f$  into span $\{x\}$ , so there is a continuous linear functional  $\lambda_{f,x}^N$  on  $\ker f$  such that

$$\delta(x \otimes f)u = \lambda_{f,x}^N(u)x$$
 for any  $u$  in ker  $f$ .

For any  $y \in N$ , we have

$$\delta((x+y)\otimes f)u=\lambda_{f,x+y}^N(u)(x+y).$$

On the other hand,

$$\delta((x+y)\otimes f)u=\delta(x\otimes f)u+\delta(y\otimes f)u=\lambda_{f,x}^N(u)x+\lambda_{f,y}^N(u)x.$$

Then we get that

$$(\lambda_{f,x+y}^N-\lambda_{f,x}^N)(u)x+(\lambda_{f,x+y}^N-\lambda_{f,y}^N)(u)y=0.$$

Hence  $\lambda_{f,x}^N = \lambda_{f,x+y}^N = \lambda_{f,y}^N$ , so  $\lambda_{f,x}^N$  is independent of x. We write  $\lambda_f^N = \lambda_{f,x}^N$ . Therefore  $\lambda_f^N$  can be uniquely extended to a continuous linear functional on X, still denoted by  $\lambda_f^N$ .

**Lemma 3.2** If  $\delta$  has Property G, given  $N \in \text{Lat} A$  with  $N \neq O$ , then for each  $f \in (N_-)^{\perp}$ , there exists  $\lambda_f^N \in X^*$  and a linear mapping  $B_f^N : N \to X$  such that

$$\delta(x \otimes f) = x \otimes \lambda_f^N + B_f^N x \otimes f, \ \forall x \in N.$$

**Proof** For any  $u \in X \setminus \ker f$ , define an operator  $B_{u,f}^N : N \to X$  by

$$B_{u,f}^N x = (\delta(x \otimes f)u - \lambda_f^N(u)x)/f(u),$$

where  $\lambda_f^N$  is defined as in Lemma 3.1.

It is easy to see that  $B_{u,f}^N$  is linear. Then we have that

$$\delta(x \otimes f)u = \lambda_f^N(u)x + f(u)B_{u,f}^Nx, \quad \forall x \in N.$$

Take any  $v \in X \setminus \ker f$  with  $v \neq -u$  and  $v \neq 0$ , thus for any  $x \in N$  we have that

$$\delta(x \otimes f)v = \lambda_f^N(v)x + f(v)B_{u,f}^Nx,$$

and

$$\delta(x \otimes f)(u+v) = \lambda_f^N(u+v)x + f(u+v)B_{u+v,f}^Nx.$$

This yields that  $B_{u,f}^N = B_{u+v,f}^N - B_{v,f}^N$ . Thus we may take  $B_{u,f}^N = B_f^N$ .

For any  $u \in \ker f$ , by Lemma 3.1, we have that  $\delta(x \otimes f)u = \lambda_f^N(u)x$ . Hence we get

$$\delta(x \otimes f)u = \lambda_f^N(u)x + f(u)B_f^Nx, \quad \forall x \in N \text{ and } u \in X,$$

i.e.,

$$\delta(x \otimes f)u = (x \otimes \lambda_f^N)u + (B_f^N \cdot x \otimes f)(u), \quad \forall x \in N \text{ and } u \in X.$$

Therefore we obtain that

$$\delta(x \otimes f) = x \otimes \lambda_f^N + B_f^N x \otimes f, \quad \forall x \in N.$$

**Lemma 3.3** With  $\delta$  as in Lemma 3.1, given  $N \in Lat A$  with  $N \neq O$ , if  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are linearly independent elements of  $(N_-)^{\perp}$  and if  $\lambda_{f_i}^N$ ,  $B_{f_i}^N$ , i = 1, 2 are chosen to satisfy the conclusion of Lemma 3.2 for  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  respectively, then  $B_{f_1}^N - B_{f_2}^N$  is a scalar multiple of the identity.

**Proof** Clearly it suffices to show that for each  $x \in N$ ,  $(B_{f_1}^N - B_{f_2}^N)x$  is a scalar multiple of x. By Lemma 3.2, there exist  $\lambda_{f_1+f_2}^N \in X^*$  and a linear mapping  $B_{f_1+f_2}^N : N \to X$  such that

$$\delta(x \otimes (f_1 + f_2)) = x \otimes \lambda_{f_1 + f_2}^N + B_{f_1 + f_2}^N x \otimes (f_1 + f_2).$$

But we also have,

$$egin{aligned} \delta(oldsymbol{x}\otimes(f_1+f_2)) &= \delta(oldsymbol{x}\otimes f_1) + \delta(oldsymbol{x}\otimes f_2) \ &= oldsymbol{x}\otimes\lambda_{f_1}^N + B_{f_1}^Noldsymbol{x}\otimes f_1 + oldsymbol{x}\otimes\lambda_{f_2}^N + B_{f_2}^Noldsymbol{x}\otimes f_2. \end{aligned}$$

Taking adjoints yields that

$$\lambda_{f_1+f_2}^N \otimes x + (f_1+f_2) \otimes B_{f_1+f_2}^N x = (\lambda_{f_1}^N + \lambda_{f_2}^N) \otimes x + f_1 \otimes B_{f_1}^N + f_2 \otimes B_{f_2}^N x.$$

For every h in  $\{x\}^{\perp}$ , let the two sides of the above equation act on h, we obtain

$$h(B_{f_1+f_2}^Nx)(f_1+f_2)=h(B_{f_1}^Nx)f_1+h(B_{f_2}^Nx)f_2,$$

and the linear independence of  $\{f_1, f_2\}$  implies that  $h(B_{f_1}^N x - B_{f_2}^N x) = 0$ . But h is an arbitrary element of  $\{x\}^{\perp}$ . Thus  $(B_{f_1}^N - B_{f_2}^N)x$  is a scalar multiple of x, as desired.  $\square$ 

**Lemma 3.4** With  $\delta$  as in Lemma 3.1. For each  $N \in \text{Lat}\mathcal{A}$  with  $N \neq O$ , there exists a linear mapping  $B_N : N \to X$  with the property that for each functional  $f \in (N_-)^{\perp}$  there is a functional  $\lambda_f^N \in X^*$  such that

$$\delta(x \otimes f) = x \otimes \lambda_f^N + B_N x \otimes f$$
, for each  $x \in N$ . (\*)

**Proof** Fix a nonzero element  $f_0 \in (N_-)^{\perp}$ . By Lemma 3.3, there is a functional  $\lambda_{f_0}^N \in X^*$  and a linear mapping  $B_{f_0}^N : N \to X$  such that

$$\delta(x\otimes f_0)=x\otimes\lambda_{f_0}^N+B_{f_0}^Nx\otimes f_0.$$

Let  $B_N = B_{f_0}^N$ . Therefore equation (\*) holds for  $f_0$  and also, holds for scalar multiples of  $f_0$  by linearity.

On the other hand, if f and  $f_0$  are linearly independent, let  $\lambda_f^N$  and  $B_f^N$  satisfy the conclusion of Lemma 3.2. Then by Lemma 3.3,  $B_f^N - B = \mu I$  for some scalar  $\mu$ . So for each  $x \in N$ , we have

$$\delta(\boldsymbol{x}\otimes f)=\boldsymbol{x}\otimes(\lambda_f^N+\mu f)+B_N\boldsymbol{x}\otimes f$$

and equation (\*) is satisfied for f with  $\lambda_f^N$  replaced by  $\lambda_f^N + \mu f$ .

**Lemma 3.5** With  $\delta$  as in Lemma 3.1. Given  $N \in \text{Lat}\mathcal{A}$  with  $N \neq O$ , there exist linear mappings  $B_N : N \to X$  and  $C_N : (N_-)^{\perp} \to X^*$  such that

$$\delta(x \otimes f) = x \otimes C_N f + B_N x \otimes f, \ \ \forall x \in N \ \ \ ext{and} \ \ \ f \in (N_-)^{\perp}.$$

**Proof** Fix a nonzero vector  $x \in N$  and fix  $h \in X^*$  such that h(x) = 1. For each  $f \in X^*$  the functional  $\lambda_f^N$  in (\*) of Lemma 3.4 is given by

$$\lambda_f^N = (\delta(x \otimes f) - B_N x \otimes f)^*(h)$$

where  $B_N$  is as in (\*). Therefore the map  $f \to \lambda_f^N$  is linear. We call the map  $C_N$ , the proof is complete.  $\square$ 

Using the same proof in [4], we obtain

**Lemma 3.6** If X is reflexive and  $\delta: \mathcal{A} \to B(X)$  is a norm-continuous linear mapping

having the Property G, then there exist operators  $A, B \in B(X)$  such that  $\delta(x \otimes f) = Ax \otimes f + x \otimes fB$  for any  $x \in X$  and  $f \in (X_{-})^{\perp}$  or any  $x \in O_{+}$  and  $f \in X^{*}$ .

**Theorem 3.7** If X is reflexive and  $\delta: A \to B(X)$  is a norm-continuous linear map having the Property G, then there exist  $A, B \in B(X)$  such that  $\delta(T) = AT + TB$  for any  $T \in A$ .

**Proof** By Lemma 3.6, we have that  $\delta(R) = AR + RB$  where R is a finite linear combination of rank one operators of the form  $x \otimes f$  with  $x \in X$  and  $f \in (X_-)^{\perp}$  or  $x \in O_+$  and  $f \in X^*$ .

Let  $\varphi : \mathcal{A} \to B(X)$  be defined by  $\varphi(T) = AT + TB$  for every  $T \in \mathcal{A}$ , and let  $\psi = \varphi - \delta$ . Now we show that  $\psi = 0$ .

It is obvious that  $\psi(R) = 0$  for every above-mentioned R.

Fix  $T \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $\psi(T) \neq 0$ , then there exists a nonzero vector  $\mathbf{x} \notin X_{-}$  with  $\psi(T)\mathbf{x} \neq 0$ . And so there is a nonzero functional  $f \in (X_{-})^{\perp}$  such that  $f(\mathbf{x}) = 1$ . And so  $P = \mathbf{x} \otimes f$  is a projection in  $\mathcal{A}$ .

(1) Let  $g \notin (O_+)^{\perp}$ . Then there is  $y \in O_+$  such that g(y) = 1. we get that  $Q = y \otimes g$  is also a projection in A. For each  $T \in A$ , by the hypothesis on  $\delta$  we have that

$$Q\psi((I-Q)T(I-P))P=0.$$

But T - (I - Q)T(I - P) has the form of R, so

$$\psi(T-(I-Q)T(I-P))=0,$$

i.e.,

$$\psi(T) = \psi((I-Q)T(I-P)).$$

Hence  $Q\psi(T)P=0$  and so  $g(\psi(T)x)=0$  for each  $g\notin (O_+)^{\perp}$ .

(2) Let  $g \in (O_+)^{\perp}$ . If  $\psi(T)x \in O_+$ , then

$$g(\psi(T)x)=0.$$

If  $\psi(T)x \notin O_+$  and  $g(\psi(T)x) \neq 0$ , there is  $h \notin (O_+)^{\perp}$  such that  $h(\psi(T)x) = 0$ . Then

$$g+h\notin (O_+)^{\perp}$$
 and  $(g+h)(\psi(T)x)\neq 0$ .

This is in contradiction with (1).

It follows that  $g(\psi(T)x) = 0$  for every  $g \in X^*$ . And so  $\psi(T)x = 0$ , a contradiction.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 3.8** If X is reflexive and  $\delta: A \to B(X)$  is a norm-continuous bilocal derivation, then  $\delta$  is an inner derivation.

**Proof** Since  $\delta$  is a bilocal derivation of  $\mathcal{A}$  into B(X), and by Theorem 3.1 of [4], every derivation of  $\mathcal{A}$  into B(X) is inner, then  $\delta$  satisfies the condition of Theorem 3.7. Hence there exist operators  $A, B \in B(X)$  such that  $\delta(T) = AT + TB$  for any  $T \in \mathcal{A}$ . Then  $A + B = \delta(I) = 0$ , thus B = -A, so  $\delta$  is an inner derivation.  $\square$ 

Corollary 3.9 If X is a reflexive Banach space, then the set of all derivations of A into B(X) is topologically algebraically bireflexive.

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# 自反代数的双局部导子

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摘 要: 证明了自反 Banach 空间 X 中自反代数 A 到 B(X) 的导子集合是拓扑代数双自反的.