

## BILOCAL DERIVATIONS OF STANDARD OPERATOR ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we shall show the following two results: (1) Let  $A$  be a standard operator algebra with  $I$ , if  $\Phi$  is a linear mapping on  $A$  which satisfies that  $\Phi(T)$  maps  $\ker T$  into  $\text{ran } T$  for all  $T \in A$ , then  $\Phi$  is of the form  $\Phi(T) = TA + BT$  for some  $A, B$  in  $B(X)$ . (2) Let  $X$  be a Hilbert space, if  $\Phi$  is a norm-continuous linear mapping on  $B(X)$  which satisfies that  $\Phi(P)$  maps  $\ker P$  into  $\text{ran } P$  for all self-adjoint projection  $P$  in  $B(X)$ , then  $\Phi$  is of the form  $\Phi(T) = TA + BT$  for some  $A, B$  in  $B(X)$ .

In what follows  $X$  stands for a Banach space (or Hilbert space) and  $X^*$  for its norm dual. We denote by  $(x, f)$  the duality pairing between elements  $f \in X^*$  and  $x \in X$ , and we use the symbols “ $B(X)$ ”, “ $L(X)$ ”, “ $F(X)$ ”, “ $I$ ” and “ $x \otimes f$ ” to denote the set of all linear bounded operators on  $X$ , the set of all linear mappings on  $X$ , the set of all finite rank operators on  $X$ , the identity operator and the rank one operator  $(*, f)x$  on  $X$ , respectively.

If  $A$  is a Banach algebra, and  $A_1$  is a Banach subalgebra of  $A$ , we say that a linear mapping  $\Phi: A_1 \rightarrow A$  is a derivation if  $\Phi(ab) = \Phi(a)b + a\Phi(b)$  for any  $a$  and  $b$  in  $A_1$ . The derivation  $\Phi$  is called inner if there exists an element  $a$  in  $A$  such that  $\Phi(b) = ba - ab$  for any  $b$  in  $A_1$ . We say that a linear mapping  $\Phi: A_1 \rightarrow A$  is a local derivation if for every  $a$  in  $A_1$ , there exists a derivation  $\delta_a: A_1 \rightarrow A$ , depending on  $a$ , such that  $\Phi(a) = \delta_a(a)$ . A linear mapping  $\Phi$  is called a Jordan derivation if  $\Phi(a^2) = a\Phi(a) + a\Phi(a)$  for every  $a$  in  $A_1$ . We give the notion of bilocal derivation as follows:

**Definition 1.** If  $A$  is a Banach subalgebra of  $B(X)$ , a linear mapping  $\Phi: A \rightarrow B(X)$  is called a bilocal derivation if for every  $T$  in  $A$  and  $u$  in  $X$ , there exists a derivation  $\delta_{T,u}: A \rightarrow B(X)$ , depending on  $T$  and  $u$ , such that  $\Phi(T)u = \delta_{T,u}(T)u$ .

**Definition 2.** Let  $X$  be a Banach space, a Banach subalgebra  $A$  of  $B(X)$  is called a standard operator algebra if  $A$  contains  $F(X)$ .

D. R. Larson and A. R. Sourour [5] have proved that every local derivation on  $B(X)$  is a derivation. R. Kadison [4] and M. Brešar [1] have discussed norm-continuous local derivations on von Neumann algebras. It is obvious that every

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local derivation is bilocal. In this paper, we shall prove that every bilocal derivation  $\Phi: A \rightarrow B(X)$  is a derivation, where  $A$  is a standard operator algebra.

We now prove the main theorems of this paper.

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $A$  with  $I$  be a standard operator subalgebra of  $B(X)$ , and let  $\Phi$  be a linear mapping from  $A$  into  $B(X)$ , then the following properties hold:*

(I) *If  $\Phi(T)$  maps  $\ker T$  into  $\text{ran } T$  for all  $T$  in  $A$ , then there exist linear operators  $A$  and  $B$  in  $B(X)$  such that*

$$(1) \quad \Phi(T) = TA + BT, \quad \text{for any } T \text{ in } A.$$

(II) *If  $\Phi$  is a bilocal derivation, then  $\Phi$  is an inner derivation.*

*Proof.* (I) Fix  $f \in X^*$ . By the condition (I) of the theorem,  $\Phi(x \otimes f)$  maps  $\ker f$  into  $\text{span}\{x\}$ , so there exists a continuous linear functional  $\lambda_{f,x}$  on  $\ker f$  such that

$$\Phi(x \otimes f)(u) = (u, \lambda_{f,x})x, \quad \text{for any } u \text{ in } \ker f.$$

For any  $y \in X$ , we have

$$(2) \quad \Phi((x+y) \otimes f)(u) = (u, \lambda_{f,x+y})(x+y).$$

On the other hand,

$$(3) \quad \begin{aligned} \Phi((x+y) \otimes f)(u) &= \Phi(x \otimes f)(u) + \Phi(y \otimes f)(u) \\ &= (u, \lambda_{f,x})x + (u, \lambda_{f,y})y. \end{aligned}$$

By comparing (2) and (3), we see that

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

Thus we obtain that  $\lambda_{f,x+y} = \lambda_{f,x} = \lambda_{f,y}$ , so  $\lambda_{f,x}$  is independent of  $x$ . We write  $\lambda_f = \lambda_{f,x}$ . Let  $g_f$  be a continuous linear extension of  $\lambda_f$  to  $X$ . For any  $u \in X - \ker f$ , we define an operator  $B_{u,f}$  as follows:

$$B_{u,f}x = (u, f)^{-1}(\Phi(x \otimes f)(u) - (u, g_f)x).$$

It is obvious that  $B_{u,f} \in L(X)$ , thus we see that

$$(4) \quad \Phi(x \otimes f)(u) = (u, g_f)x + (u, f)B_{u,f}x, \quad \text{for any } x \in X.$$

Take any  $v \in X - \ker f$  with  $v \neq -u$ ,  $v \neq 0$ . Thus we have

$$(5) \quad \Phi(x \otimes f)(v) = (v, g_f)x + (v, f)B_{v,f}x,$$

$$(6) \quad \Phi(x \otimes f)(u+v) = (u+v, g_f)x + (u+v, f)B_{u+v,f}x, \quad \text{for any } x \in X.$$

The equalities (4), (5) and (6) yield  $B_{u,f} = B_{v,f}$ . Thus we may take  $B_{u,f} = B_f$ . It follows that

$$(7) \quad \Phi(x \otimes f)(u) = (u, g_f)x + (u, f)B_fx, \quad \text{for any } u \text{ in } X.$$

Given any  $u \in X$ , we now fix a functional  $f_0 \in X^*$  with  $(u, f_0) = 1$ . Thus we may take  $g_{f_0} \in X^*$  and  $B_{f_0} \in L(X)$  such that

$$\Phi(x \otimes f_0)(u) = (u, g_{f_0})x + (u, f_0)B_{f_0}x, \quad \text{for any } x \in X.$$

We may take  $B = B_{f_0}$ . For any  $f \in X^*$ , we write  $f_1 = (u, f)f_0$ ,  $f_2 = f - f_1$ . It is clear that  $(u, f_2) = 0$ . Thus there exists a functional  $g_{f_2}$  in  $X^*$  and  $B_{f_2}$  in  $L(X)$  such that

$$\Phi(x \otimes f_2)(u) = (u, g_{f_2})x + (u, f_2)B_{f_2}x = (u, g_{f_2})x,$$

for any  $x \in X$ . If we take  $b_{u,f} = (u, f)g_{f_0} + g_{f_2}$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(x \otimes f)(u) &= (\Phi(x \otimes (u, f)f_0) + \Phi(x \otimes f_2))(u) \\ &= (u, (u, f)g_{f_0} + g_{f_2})x + (u, (u, f)f_0)B_{f_0}x \\ &= (x \otimes b_{u,f} + Bx \otimes f)(u). \end{aligned}$$

We define a mapping  $b_f$  by  $b_f(u) = (u, b_{u,f})x$ . Note that  $b_f(u) = (u, b_{u,f})x = \Phi(x \otimes f)(u) - (u, f)Bx$  for any  $x$  in  $X$ , so  $b_f$  is a linear functional, and  $b_f$  belongs to  $X^*$ . It follows that

$$\Phi(x \otimes f)(u) = (x \otimes b_f + Bx \otimes f)(u),$$

for any  $u \in X$ . Thus we may define an operator  $C$  by  $Cf = b_f$  for any  $f \in X^*$ . We claim that  $B \in B(X)$  and  $C = (\Phi(I) - B)^* \in B(X^*)$ . In fact, for any  $f \in X^*$  and  $x \in X$  with  $(x, f) = 1$ , if we write  $P = x \otimes f$ , and note that  $\Phi(I - P)$  maps  $\ker(I - P)$  ( $= \text{span}\{x\}$ ) into  $\text{ran}(I - P)$  ( $= \ker f$ ), then we have  $P\Phi(I - P)P = 0$ , so  $P\Phi(P)P = P\Phi(I)P$ . Using the above equality, we can prove  $B \in B(X)$  and  $C = (\Phi(I) - B)^*$  by imitating the proof of Lemma 5 in [5]. Setting  $A = \Phi(I) - B$ , thus we have

$$(8) \quad \Phi(x \otimes f) = (x \otimes f)A + B(x \otimes f).$$

Using the same proof as Theorem 1.2 in [5, p. 192], we obtain the desired conclusion.

(II) Since  $\Phi$  is a bilocal derivation from  $A$  into  $B(X)$ , and every derivation from  $A$  into  $B(X)$  is inner by [3],  $\Phi$  satisfies the condition (I) of Theorem 3. Thus there are operators  $A$  and  $B$  in  $B(X)$  such that equality (1) holds, and  $A + B = \Phi(I) = 0$ , i.e.  $B = -A$ , so  $\Phi$  is an inner derivation. The proof is complete.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.** *Let  $X$  be a Hilbert space. If  $\Phi$  is a norm-continuous linear mapping on  $B(X)$  which satisfies that  $\Phi(P)$  maps  $\ker P$  into  $\text{ran } P$  for all self-adjoint projection  $P$  in  $B(X)$ , then there are  $A$  and  $B$  in  $B(X)$  such that*

$$(9) \quad \Phi(T) = TA + BT, \quad \text{for any } T \in B(X).$$

*Proof.* Let  $P, Q$  be orthogonal self-adjoint projection in  $B(X)$ . By the condition of the theorem, we know that  $\Phi(P)$  maps  $\ker P$  into  $\text{ran } P$ . Thus we have

$$(10) \quad (I - P)\Phi(P)(I - P) = 0.$$

It follows that  $\Phi(P) = \Phi(P)P + P\Phi(P) - P\Phi(P)P$ . Substituting  $I - P$  for  $P$  in the equality (10), we have  $P\Phi(I - P)P = 0$ , i.e.  $P\Phi(P)P = P\Phi(I)P$ . Thus we obtain

$$(11) \quad \Phi(P) = \Phi(P)P + P\Phi(P) - P\Phi(I)P.$$

According to the equality (11), we then have

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(P) + \Phi(Q) &= \Phi(P + Q) \\ &= \Phi(P + Q)(P + Q) + (P + Q)\Phi(P + Q) - (P + Q)\Phi(P + Q)(P + Q) \\ &= (\Phi(P)P + P\Phi(P) - P\Phi(I)P) + (\Phi(Q)Q + Q\Phi(Q) - Q\Phi(I)Q) \\ &\quad + \Phi(P)Q + \Phi(Q)P + P\Phi(Q) + Q\Phi(P) - Q\Phi(I)P - P\Phi(I)Q. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently

$$(12) \quad \Phi(P)Q + \Phi(Q)P + P\Phi(Q) + Q\Phi(P) - Q\Phi(I)P - P\Phi(I)Q = 0.$$

Using the above equality (12), by the same proof as Lemma 1 in [1], we may prove that

$$(13) \quad \Phi(a^2) = \Phi(a)a + a\Phi(a) - a\Phi(I)a, \quad \text{for any } a \text{ in } B(X).$$

We claim that  $\Phi(x \otimes y)$  maps  $\ker(x \otimes y)$  into  $\text{ran}(x \otimes y)$  for every  $x, y \in X$ . In fact, if  $(x, y) \neq 0$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(x \otimes y) &= (x, y)^{-1}\Phi((x \otimes y)^2) \\ &= (x, y)^{-1}\{\Phi(x \otimes y)(x \otimes y) + (x \otimes y)\Phi(x \otimes y) - (x \otimes y)\Phi(I)(x \otimes y)\}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that  $\Phi(x \otimes y)$  maps  $\ker(x \otimes y)$  into  $\text{span}\{x\}$ . If  $(x, y) = 0$ , without loss of generality, we may assume that  $\dim X > 2$  and  $x \neq 0, y \neq 0$ . Take  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  in  $X$  with  $(x, y_i) = 1$  and  $y_2 \in \{y, y_1\}^\perp$ . It is obvious that  $\{y, y_1\}^\perp \vee \{y, y_2\}^\perp = \{y\}^\perp = \ker(x \otimes y)$ . Since  $(x, y_i) = (x, y + y_i) = 1 \neq 0$ , and  $\Phi(x \otimes y) = \Phi(x \otimes (y + y_i)) - \Phi(x \otimes y_i)$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ),  $\Phi(x \otimes y)$  maps  $\{y + y_i\}^\perp \wedge \{y_i\}^\perp (= \{y, y_i\}^\perp)$  into  $\text{span}\{x\}$ . It follows that  $\Phi(x \otimes y)$  maps  $\{y, y_1\}^\perp \vee \{y, y_2\}^\perp (= \ker(x \otimes y))$  into  $\text{span}\{x\}$ .

We may prove that there are  $A_1$  and  $B_1$  in  $B(X)$  such that  $\Phi(x \otimes y) = (x \otimes y)A_1 + B_1(x \otimes y)$  by imitating the proof of Theorem 3. Thus we have

$$(14) \quad \Phi(F) = FA_1 + B_1F, \quad \text{for any } F \text{ in } F(X).$$

Let  $\Psi$  be defined by  $\Psi(T) = TA_1 + B_1T$  for every  $T$  in  $B(X)$ , and let  $h = \Phi - \Psi$ . It is obvious that  $h$  satisfies the hypotheses of  $\Phi$  in the statement of Theorem 4, and  $h(F) = 0$  for any  $F$  in  $F(X)$ . Using the equalities (13), we have  $Fh(I)F = 0$  for every  $F$  in  $F(X)$ , so  $h(I) = 0$ . Using the equality (13) to  $h$ , we see that  $h$  is a Jordan derivation. By Theorem 1 in [2],  $h$  is a derivation. It follows by Theorem in [3] that  $h$  is an inner derivation. Thus there are  $A_2$  and  $B_2$  in  $B(X)$  such that  $h(a) = aA_2 + B_2a$  for every  $a$  in  $B(X)$ . Take  $A = A_1 + A_2$  and  $B = B_1 + B_2$ . Thus we obtain that

$$\Phi(a) = h(a) + \Psi(a) = a(A_1 + A_2) + (B_1 + B_2)a = aA + Ba,$$

for any  $a$  in  $B(X)$ . The proof is complete.  $\square$

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