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ON LINEAR OPERATORS ACTING IN SPACES OF ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS AND COMMUTING WITH EULER'S OPERATOR

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1. Preliminary notes. Let G be a bounded domain in the complex plane C and A(G) denote the space of functions f(z) which are analytic in G. Let us denote the space of polynomials in C by S and assume that A(G) is endowed with the topology of uniform convergence on the compacts of G.

with the topology of uniform convergence on the compacts of G. In paper [1] the general form of the operators $L: S \rightarrow S$ commuting with the operator of differentiation $\mathcal{D} = d/dz$ was found, and in [2] A. V. Bratishchev and Yu. F. Korobeinik proved that it is the same as for the linear operators $L: A(G) \rightarrow A(G)$ continuous in some weak sense and commuting with the ope-

rator \mathcal{D} . (They suppose that the domain G is simply-connected.)

In the present paper a similar result is obtained for operators in A(G) commuting with the Euler operator $E = a_0 z \mathscr{D} + a_1 I$, where $a_0 \neq 0$ and a_1 are complex constants and I is the identity in A(G). This result generalizes the results of [3] in the same sense in which Bratishchev and Korobeinik generalized the results of [1]. With its help the question of the minimal commutativity of the Euler operator in the algebra of the linear operators $L: A(G) \rightarrow A(G)$ is settled.

The results of the present paper were announced in [4]. Here the same re-

sults are given in detail and complete proofs.

2. Description of the structures and two definitions. Let M be a C-linear set (for instance in A(G)) and A and B be linear operators acting from M to M. We denote by F(M) the algebra whose elements are all linear operators $L: M \rightarrow M$. The algebraic operations in F(M) are the usual ones with operators (AB)y := A(By) and so on. Let a convergence h^* be introduced in a subalgebra $Z \subseteq F(M)$ in such a way that $B_n \xrightarrow{h^*} B$ implies $PB_n \xrightarrow{h^*} PB$ and $B_nQ \xrightarrow{h^*} BQ$ for arbitrary operators P and Q of the algebra $PB_n \xrightarrow{h^*} PB$ and such a case, if the operators $PB_n = AB_n$ and $PB_n \xrightarrow{h^*} BB_n = AB_n$, then the limit operator $PB_n = AB_n = AB_n = AB_n$. In addition, in this case every operator of the type

(1)
$$B = (h^*) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} r_k(A),$$

where $A \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $r_k(A)$, $k=0, 1, 2, \ldots$, are polynomials of A, commutes with the operator A. Indeed, every operator B of type (1) is h^* -limit of the partial sums $S_n = \sum_{k=0}^n r_k(A)$, i. e. $S_n \xrightarrow{h^*} B$ and BA = AB follows immediately from the obvious relation $S_n A = AS_n$.

The operators of type (1) are polynomially generated by A. The operators of a given algebra Z whose commutants are composed by their corresponding PLISKA Studia mathematica bulgarica. Vol. 11, 1991, p. 71-77.

polynomially-generated operators only are of a special interest. We introduce

Definition 1. An operator $A \in Z$ is called a minimally commuting element of the algebra Z, if its commutant in Z includes operators of type

(1) only.

Before giving the next definition, let us denote by h the convergence generated by the topology of the space A(G); we will write $y = (h - \lim) y_n$ or $y^n \xrightarrow{h} y$, if the sequence $\{y_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$, $y_n \in A(G)$ is h-convergent to the function $y \in A(G)$, i. e. if this sequence is uniformly convergent to y on every compact $K \subseteq G$. We will denote by $[S]_{A(G)}$ the set of functions $y \in A(G)$, which are h-limits of sequences of polynomials in A(G). According to the Runge approximation theorem (c. f. [5]), if G is a simply connected domain in C, $[S]_{A(G)} = A(G)$ holds. This circumstance explains the great interest in the space $[S]_{A(G)}$.

Definition 2. An operator $L \in F(M)$, $M \supseteq S$ is called continuous in the sense of Bratishchev and Korobeinik or m-continuous operator, if the

equality

(2)
$$(Ly)(z) = \lim_{n \to \infty} (Ly_n)(z), \quad z \in G,$$

holds for every function $y \in [S]_{A(G)}$ and for every sequence $\{y_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$, $y_n \in S$ such that $y = (h - lim) y_n$.

3. A property of the operators $L: S \rightarrow S$ commuting with the Euler operator and having m-continuous extension in the space A(G). We have proved in [3] that an operator $L: S \rightarrow S$ commutes with the Euler operator, if it admits a representation of the type

(3)
$$(Ly)(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k z^k y^{(k)}(z), \quad \forall z \in C, \ \forall y \in S,$$

where $\{b_k\}_{k=0}^{\infty}$ is a sequence of complex constants.

We shall establish here that if an operator of type (3) admits a m-continuous extension in the space A(G), then its corresponding sequence is convergent of some order to zero.

Theorem 1. Let G be a bounded domain in C and $0 \notin \text{conv}(G)$. If $L: A(G) \rightarrow A(G)$ is a m-continuous linear operator, which acts in S according to the formula

(4)
$$(Ly)(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} d_k t^k y^{(k)}(t), \quad \forall t \in G, \ \forall y \in S,$$

where $\{d_k\}_{k=0}^{\infty}$ is a sequence of complex constants, then the asymptotic equality

(5)
$$|d_k|^{1/k} = 0 (k^{-1}), k \to \infty,$$

holds (conv (G) is the closed convex hull of G).

Lemma 1. Let G be a bounded domain in C and $0 \notin \text{conv}(G)$. Then for every complex number $c \neq 0$ there exists a point t^c such that $t^c \notin G$ and $(c+1) t^c \notin \text{conv}(G)$.

Proof. Suppose the opposite holds: there exists a number $c = c_0 \pm 0$ such that (c_0+1) $G \subseteq \text{conv}(G)$. Then $\text{conv}[(c_0+1)] \subseteq \text{conv}[\text{conv}(G)]$, i. e.

(6)
$$(c_0 + 1) \overline{\operatorname{conv}} (G) \subseteq \overline{\operatorname{conv}} (G).$$

Applying (6) n—times, we obtain the inclusion

$$(c_0+1)^n \overline{\operatorname{conv}}(G) \subseteq \overline{\operatorname{conv}}(G), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Now, because of (7), for $x \in \overline{\text{conv}}(G)$ is fulfilled $(c_0+1)^n x \in \overline{\text{conv}}(G)$. If $|c_0+1| < 1$, letting $n \to \infty$, we obtain the contradiction $0 \in \overline{\text{conv}}(G)$. Similarly, if $|c_0+1| > 1$, letting $n \to \infty$, we find that G is not bounded, which is another contradiction. If $|c_0+1| = 1$, by using the assumption $0 \notin \overline{\text{conv}}(G)$, we obtain the contradiction $c_0 = 0$. Thus Lemma 1 is proved.

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Proof of Theorem 1. We denote by U(p;q) the disc of centre p and radius q. Now, if $z_0 \in G$ ($z_0 \neq 0$), let us consider the disc $U(z_0; \theta \mid z_0 \mid)$, where the positive number θ is such that $G \subseteq U(z_0; \theta \mid z_0 \mid)$. Then $|z/z_0-1| < \theta$, $\forall z \in G$ and the series $y(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 1/(z_0^k \theta^k)(z-z_0)^k$ is h-convergent in the disc $U(z_0; \theta \mid z_0 \mid)$, i. e.

$$\overline{y}(z) = (h - \lim_{n \to \infty} P_n(z), \quad P_n(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} \frac{1}{(\theta^k z_0^k)} (z - z_0)^k \in S.$$

Hence, since the operator L is m-continuous, it follows

(8)
$$(L\overline{y})(z) = \lim_{n \to \infty} (LP_n)(z), \quad \forall z \in G.$$

From (8), according to (4), we have

$$\begin{split} (L\overline{y})(z_0) &= \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} d_k z_0^k P_n^{(k)}(z_0) \\ &= \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{n} d_k z_0^k k! / (\theta^k z_0^k) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{k=0}^{n} d_k k! / \theta^k. \end{split}$$

Consequently, the series $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} d_k k! / \theta^k$ converges to $(L\overline{y})(z_0)$ and the inequality

$$(9) \qquad \qquad \overline{\lim}_{k \to \infty} |d_k k!|^{1/k} \leq 0$$

holds. Because of the inequality (9), the series $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} d_k k! / z^{k+1}$ determines a function

(10)
$$B(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} d_k k! / z^{k+1},$$

which is analytic in the domain $\{z\colon 0<|z|\leqq\infty\}$. We shall prove that it is possible to extend this function analytically in the Idomain $\{z\colon 0<|z|\leqq\infty\}$. It is sufficient to establish that for every $c\in C$, $0<|c|\leqq\theta$ there exist numbers α and r and a function $T_c(Z)$ such that the following propositions hold:

a) $T_c(z)$ is analytic in the domain $\{z: |z-\alpha| > r\}$;

 $|c-\alpha|>r;$

c) $T_c(z) = B(z)$, if |z| is sufficiently large.

Indeed, let c be a fixed number such that $0 < |c| \le 0$. According to Lemma 1, there exists a point t^c such that $t^c \in G$ and $(c+1)t^c \notin conv(G)$. Let us consider a disc $U(a; \lambda)$ such that

(11)
$$G \subseteq U(a; \lambda)$$
, conv $(G) \subseteq \overline{U(a; \lambda)}$, $(c+1) t^c \notin U(a; \lambda)$.
Now we put $\alpha = a/t^c - 1$, $r = \lambda/|t^c|$

$$T_c(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k / (z - \alpha)^{k+1},$$

where the right-hand side is Laurent's series of the function B(z) in the domain $\{z: \theta+|\alpha|<|z-\alpha|<\infty\}$ (it is not difficult to prove that this series doesn't contain non-negative powers of $z-\alpha$). The proposition c) is obvious, whereas the proposition b) is equivalent to the inequality $|(c+1)t^c-a|>\lambda$, which is true according to (11).

In order to prove a), let us take $R > |\alpha| + \theta$ and calculate

$$b_k = 1/(2\pi i) \int_{|\alpha-z|=R} B(z)(z-\alpha)^k dz$$

According to (10), we obtain

$$\begin{split} b_k &= 1/(2\pi i) \int\limits_{\mid \alpha-z\mid=R} (\sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \nu! \ d_{\nu}/z^{\nu+1}) (\sum_{s=0}^{k} (\sum_{s}^{k}) \ z^s \ (-\alpha)^{k-s}) \ dz \\ &= \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s=0}^{k} \nu! d_{\nu} (\sum_{s}^{k}) (-\alpha)^{k-s} 1/(2\pi i) \int\limits_{\mid \alpha-z\mid=R} z^s/z^{\nu+1} dz. \end{split}$$

Thus, because of

$$\int_{|\alpha-z|=R} z^s/z^{v+1}dz = \begin{cases} 2\pi i, & v=s, \\ 0, & v\neq s, \end{cases}$$

we obtain the equality

(12)
$$b_k = \sum_{v=0}^k v! d_v (-\alpha)^{k-v} \binom{k}{v}.$$

On the other hand, because of (4)

$$(L\left[\sum_{s=0}^{k}(z-t)^{s}/t^{s}\binom{k}{s}(-\alpha)^{k-s}\right])(t) = \sum_{v=0}^{\infty}d_{v}t^{v}\left[\sum_{s=0}^{k}(z-t)^{s}/t^{s}\binom{k}{s}(-\alpha)^{k-s}\right]_{z=t}^{(v)}$$

$$= \sum_{v=0}^{k}d_{v}t^{v}\left(v!/t^{v}\right)\binom{k}{v}(-\alpha)^{k-v} = \sum_{v=0}^{k}d_{v}v!\binom{k}{v}(-\alpha)^{k-v}.$$

From this and (12) for $t=t^c$ we obtain

$$b_k = (L [((z-t^c)/t^c - \alpha)^k])(t^c) = (L [(z/t^c - 1 - (a/t^c - 1))^k])(t^c).$$
(13)
$$b_k = (L [((z-a)/t^c)^k])(t^c).$$

Now having (13) and the fact that L is m-continuous, we prove that the series

(14)
$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k / r^{k+1} = 1 / r \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (L [((z-a)/(rt^c))^k]) (t^c)$$

is convergent. In fact, the n-th partial sum of the series (14) is

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n} (L[((z-a)/(rt^c))^k])(t^c) = (\sum_{k=0}^{n} L[((z-a)/(rt^c))^k])(t^c) = (L[\sum_{k=0}^{n} ((z-a)/(rt^c))^k])(t^c).$$

The inequality $|(z-a)/(rt^c)| < 1$ holds in the disc $U(a; \lambda)$ and, consequently, in the domain G. The sequence of the polynomials $y_n(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} ((z-a)/(rt^c))^k$ is h-convergent to the function $\varphi(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} ((z-a)/(rt^c))^k$. As the operator L is m-

continuous, the limit $\lim (Ly_n)(z) = (L\varphi)(z)$, $\forall z \in G$, exists and the series (14) is convergent. So a) is proved too. So we have proved that the series (10) can be analytically extended in the domain $\{0 < |z| \le \infty\}$. Consequently, the equality $\lim (|d_k| k!)^{1/k} = 0$ (15)

holds.

From (15), applying Stirling's formula $k! = (2\pi k)^{1/2} (k/e)^k e^{\theta/12} \theta \in (0,1)$ we obtain the equality (5). Theorem 1 is proved.

The following theorem will be of further use.

Theorem 2. If a sequence $\{d_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$, $d_k \in C$ satisfies the condition (5), then the series $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} d_k z^k y^{(k)}(z)$ is convergent for every $z \in G$ and every function y(z) from A(G). In this case the operator $\Lambda: A(G) \rightarrow A(G)$, acting according to the formula

(16)
$$(\Lambda y)(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} d_k z^k y^{(k)}(z), \quad \forall y \in A(G), \ \forall z \in G.$$

is (h, h)-continuous extension of the operator (3).

Proof. Let y(z) be an arbitrary function from A(G) and $z_0 \in G$. Let us consider the circumference Γ with centre z_0 and small enough radius b. Applying Cauchy's integral formula and denoting by M_l , i=1,2, large enough constants, we obtain the estimate

$$\begin{aligned} &|d_{k}z_{0}^{k}y^{(k)}(z_{0})| \leq |d_{k}||z_{0}|^{k}||k!/(2\pi i)\int_{\Gamma}y(\tau)/(\tau-z_{0})^{k+1}d\tau|\\ &\leq |d_{k}||z_{0}|^{k}k!/(2\pi)\max_{\Gamma}|y(z)|/b^{k+1}2\pi b \leq |d_{k}||k!M_{1}^{k}M_{2},\end{aligned}$$

which proves the first part of Theorem 2, because with the help of Stirling's formula we can easily obtain that

$$\lim_{k\to\infty} (|d_k| \, k! \, M_1^k)^{1/k} = \lim_{k\to\infty} (|d_k|^{1/k}/k^{-1}) k^{-1} (2\pi k)^{1/(2k)} k/e \, e^{\theta/(12k)} M_1 = 0$$

In order to prove that the operator (16) is (h, h)-continuous, let us choose an arbitrary sequence $\{y_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$, $y_n \in A(G)$, which is h-convergent to a function $y \in A(G)$. Fixing some compact $K \subseteq G$, consider the sequence

(17)
$$\lambda_n = \max_{z \in K} |(\Lambda y_n)(z) - (\Lambda y)(z)|.$$

It is enough to prove that $\lim \lambda_n = 0$ if $K \subseteq G$. Fixing some other compact K_1 such that $K \subset K_1$, $K_1 \subset G$ and applying Cauchy's integral formula to the function $y_n(z) - y(z)$, we obtain the estimate

(18)
$$\max_{z \in K} |y_n^{(k)}(z) - y^{(k)}(z)| \leq k!/b^k A \max_{z \in K_1} |y_n(z) - y(z)|,$$

where A and b are constants independent on n and K. From (17) and (16), according to estimate (18), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \lambda_{n} = \max_{z \in K} \left| \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} d_{k} z^{k} \left(y_{n}^{(k)}(z) - y^{(k)}(z) \right) \right| \leq \max_{z \in K} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left| d_{k} \right| z \mid^{k} \left| y_{n}^{(k)}(z) - y^{(k)}(z) \right| \right) \\ & \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left| d_{k} \right| r^{k} \max_{z \in K} \left| y_{n}^{(k)}(z) - y^{(k)}(z) \right| \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left| d_{k} \right| r^{k}(k!A) / b^{k} \max_{z \in K_{1}} \left| y_{n}(z) - y(z) \right| \\ \leq A \max_{z \in K_{1}} \left| y_{n}(z) - y(z) \right| \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left| d_{k} \right| k! \left(r/b \right)^{k} \left(r = \sup_{G} \left| z \right|, \ b = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{dist} \left(K, \ \partial K_{1} \right) \right). \end{aligned}$$

When proving the first part of this theorem, it became clear that this last series is absolutely convergent. Denoting its sum by σ , from (19) we obtain the estimate

(20)
$$\lambda_n \leq A \sigma \max_{z \in K_1} |y_n(z) - y(z)|.$$

(20) $\lambda_n \leq A\sigma \max_{z \in K_1} |y_n(z) - y(z)|.$ Now, from (20) we obtain $\lim \lambda_n = 0$; because the h-convergency $y_n \rightarrow y$ implies that $\lim_{n \to \infty} \max |y_n(z) - y(z)| = 0$ for every compact $K_1 \subseteq G$. Theorem 2 is proved.

Corollary 1. Under the assumptions of Theorem 2 the spaces S and $[S]_{A(G)}$ are invariant subspaces of the operator Λ .

The invariance of the space S is obvious, and the invariance of the space

 $[S]_{A(G)}$ is directly implied by the (h, h)-continuity of the operator Λ . 4. General formula of the m-continuous linear operators acting from $[S]_{A(G)}$ to A(G) and commuting with the Euler operator. Let Q be again a bounded domain in C and $0 \notin \text{conv}(G)$. Let us consider the Euler operator E:

 $A(G) \rightarrow A(G)$, which acts according to the formula $(Ey)(t) = a_0 t y'(t) + a_1 y(t), \quad \forall y \in A(G), \ \forall t \in G,$

where $a_0 \neq 0$ and a_1 are arbitrary complex numbers.

Theorem 3. Let $L: [S]_{A(G)} \to A(G)$ be a m-continuous linear operator and ELy = LEy, $\forall y \in S$. Then there exists a sequence $\{d_k\}_{k=0}^{\infty}$, $d_k \in C$ such that the equality (5) and the representation

$$(Ly)(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} d_k t^k y^{(k)}(t), \quad \forall y \in [S]_{A(G)}$$

hold.

Proof. First we shall prove that S is an invariant subspace of the operator L. It is enough to establish that $\varphi_k(z) := (Lz^k)(z) \in S$, $\forall k = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$ The equality $ELz^k = LEz^k$ implies at once that $\varphi_k(z)$ satisfies the differential equation

$$k\varphi_k(z) = z\varphi'_k(z), \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \ldots,$$

which we can rewrite as follows

(22)
$$(\varphi_k(z)/z^k)' = 0, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

From (22), because of the fact that the domain G is connected, we obtain $\varphi_k(z) = c_k z^k$, $c_k = \text{const}$, $k = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$ Consequently, $L(S) \subseteq S$. So, considering the operator L over S only, we can claim that a linear operator acts from Sinto ${\mathcal S}$ and commutes with the Euler operator. According to Theorem 1 from our paper [3] the operator L acts over S according to the formula (4), in which $\{d_k\}$ is a sequence of complex numbers. From here, in view of the fact that the operator L is m-continuous and applying Theorem 1 (from the present paper), we obtain the asymptotic equality (5). According to (5) and Theorem 2, we conclude that $\Lambda: A(G) \to A(G)$

(see (16)) is (h, h)-continuous and the equality

(23)
$$(Ly)(z) = (\Lambda y)(z), \quad \forall z \in G, \ \forall y \in S$$

holds. Now we have still to prove that (23) holds for $y \in [S]_{A(G)}$ too. Let $y \in [S]_{A(G)}$ and the sequence $\{y_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$, $y_n \in S$ be h-convergent to y. Applying the m-continuity of the operator L, equality (23) and (h, h)-continuity of the operator Λ , we obtain

$$(Ly)(z) = \lim_{n \to \infty} (Ly_n)(z) = \lim_{n \to \infty} (\Lambda y_n)(z) = (\Lambda y)(z), \quad \forall z \in G.$$

Theorem 3 is proved.

The following theorem is inverse to Theorem 3 in some sense.

Theorem 4. Let G be a domain in C, M a subspace of the space A(G), for example $M=[S]_{A(G)}$, M=A(G). Let $E^{-1}(M)=\{y\in A(G): Ey\in M\}$, where $E=a_0t\mathcal{D}+a_1I$ is the Euler operator. If the operator $L: M\to A(G)$ is defined by the equality

(24)
$$(Ly)(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} d_k z^k y^{(k)}(z), \quad \forall z \in G, \ \forall y \in M, \ |d_k|^{1/k} = 0 \ (k^{-1}), \ k \to \infty,$$

then LEy = ELy, $\forall y \in M_1 := M \cap E^{-1}(M)$. Proof. In view of the above conditions we conclude that we may differentiate series (24) for every $y \in M$ (even for $\forall y \in A(G)$). So we end the proof by a direct comparison of the representations of LEy and ELy.

Let us now assume that $E \in Z$, where Z is a certain algebra of m-continuous linear operators $L: [S]_{A(G)} \to [S]_{A(G)}$ such that $L(S) \subseteq S$. Further we introduce h^* -convergency of a sequence $\{L_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subseteq Z$; such a sequence we call h^* convergent to an operator $L(Z, \text{ if } Ly = (h-\lim)(L_n y), \forall y \in [S]_{A(G)}$.

Theorem 5. Let the hypotheses of Theorem 3 hold for a domain G Then the Euler operator E is a h^* -minimally commuting element of the algebra Z.

The proof immediately follows from the proposition that the operators $E_k: [S]_{A(G)} \to [S]_{A(G)} (E_k y)(t) = t^k y^{(k)}(t)$, $t \in G$, $k \ge 0$, are polynominals of the operator E. We obtain the last fact from the equalities $E_{k+1} = E_1 E_k - k E_k$, k = 1,

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