

A study of $*$ -frames in Hilbert Spaces

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Abstract

Relations between frames and $*$ -frames are established. The operators associated to $*$ -frames in Hilbert space and Hilbert and C^* -modules are studied.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The concept of frames in Hilbert spaces has been introduced by Duffin and Schaefer in 1952 to study some problems in nonharmonic Fourier series. K.Amir and BehroozKhosravi[1] are studied frames for tensor product of Hilbert C^* -modules and Hilbert spaces. Alijani and Dehghan[2] introduced the $*$ -frames, as a generalization of frames in Hilbert C^* -modules. They studied the operators associated to given $*$ -frame for Hilbert C^* -modules over commutative unitary C^* -algebras.

Peter G. Casazza [3] presented a tutorial on frame theory and he suggested the major directions of research in frame theory. The generalization of K -frames are introduced and some of their properties are obtained by Bahram Dastourian, Mohammad Janfada [4]. D. Han and D.R. Larson [5] have developed a number of basic aspects of operator-theoretic approach to frame theory in Hilbert space. M.Frank and D.R.Larson[6] are introduced a general module frame theory in C^* -algebras and Hilbert C^* -modules.

In 2012, K-frames were introduced by Gavrufa [7] to study the atomic systems with respect to a bounded linear operator K in Hilbert Spaces. Hilbert C^* -modules are generalization of Hilbert spaces by allowing the inner product to take values in a C^* -algebra rather than in the field of complex numbers. Problem about frames and $*$ -frames for Hilbert C^* -modules are more complicated than those for Hilbert Spaces. This makes the study of the $*$ -frames for Hilbert C^* -modules important and interesting.

In this paper relations between frames and $*$ -frames are established. The operators associated to $*$ -frames in Hilbert space and Hilbert and C^* -modules are studied.

2. PRELIMINARIES

Definition 2.1. A C^* Algebra is a Banach algebra equipped with an involution $a \rightarrow a^*$ satisfying the condition $\|aa^*\| = \|a\|^2$.

Definition 2.2. The standard Hilbert A -module $l_2(A)$ defined by

$$l_2(A) = \left\{ \{a_j\}_{j \in J} \subseteq A, \sum_{j \in J} a_j a_j^* \text{ converges in } A \right\}$$

Definition 2.3. A be a C^* -algebra and H be a A -module. Suppose that the linear structures given on A and H are compatible, i.e. $\lambda(ax) = (\lambda a)x = a(\lambda x)$ for every $\lambda \in C, a \in A$ and $x \in H$.

If there exists a mapping $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle: H \times H \rightarrow A$ with the properties

- (i) $\langle x, x \rangle \geq 0$ for every $x \in H$
- (ii) $\langle x, x \rangle = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$
- (iii) $\langle x, y \rangle = \langle y, x \rangle^*$ for every $x, y \in H$
- (iv) $\langle ax, y \rangle = a \langle x, y \rangle$ for every $a \in A, \text{ every } x, y \in H$
- (iv) $\langle x + y, z \rangle = \langle x, z \rangle + \langle y, z \rangle$ for every $x, y, z \in H$

Then the pair $\{H, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle\}$ is called a pre-Hilbert A -module. The map $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is said to be an A -valued inner product. If the pre-Hilbert module $\{H, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle\}$ is complete with respect to the norm $\|x\| = \|\langle x, x \rangle\|^{1/2}$ then it is called a Hilbert A -module.

The following Lemma will illustrate lower and upper bounds of operators corresponding to a given operator T with respect to A-valued inner products.

Lemma .2.4[2]: Let H and K be a two Hilbert A-modules and $T \in B(H, K)$. Then

- (i) If T is injective and T has closed range, then the adjointable map T^*T is invertible and $\|(T^*T)^{-1}\|^{-1} \leq T^*T \leq \|T\|^2$
- (ii) If T is surjective, then the adjointable map TT^* is invertible and $\|(TT^*)^{-1}\|^{-1} \leq TT^* \leq \|T\|^2$.

Let H and K be two Hilbert A-modules A mapping $T : H \rightarrow K$ is called adjointable if there exists a mapping $S : H \rightarrow H$ such that $\langle Tx, y \rangle = \langle x, Sy \rangle$ for all $x \in H, y \in K$. The unique mapping S is denoted by T^* and is called the adjoint of T.

The set of all adjointable operators from H to K is denoted by $Hom_A^*(H, K)$.

The following definitions from [3 ,5] are useful in our discussion.

Definition2.5. A sequence $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ of vectors in a Hilbert space H is called a frame if there exist constants $0 < A \leq B < \infty$ such that

$$A \|x\|^2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\langle x, x_i \rangle|^2 \leq B \|x\|^2 \text{ for all } x \in H.$$

The above inequality is called the frame inequality. The numbers A and B are called lower and upper frame bounds respectively.

Definition2.6. A synthesis operator $T : l_2 \rightarrow H$ is defined as $Te_j = x_j$ where $\{e_j\}$ is an orthonormal basis for l_2 .

Definition2.7. Let $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ be a frame for H and $\{e_j\}$ be an orthonormal basis for l_2 .

Then, the analysis operator $T^* : H \rightarrow l_2$ is the adjoint of synthesis operator T and is defined as $T^*x = \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, x_j \rangle e_j$ for all $x \in H$.

Definition2.8. Let $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ be a frame for the Hilbert space H. A frame operator $S =$

$$T T^* : H \rightarrow H \text{ is defined as } Sx = \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, x_j \rangle x_j \text{ for all } x \in H.$$

3. *-Frames

-frames are C^ -algebra version of frames. In this section we extend the concept of Hilbert space frames to *-frames in Hilbert C^* -modules with A -valued bounds.

Definition 3.1. Let H be a Hilbert A -module. A family $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ of elements of H is a frame for H , if there exist constants $0 < A \leq B < \infty$, such that for all $x \in H$

$$A \langle x, x \rangle \leq \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, x_j \rangle \langle x_j, x \rangle \leq B \langle x, x \rangle$$

The numbers A and B are called lower and upper bounds of the frame, respectively.

If $A = B \Rightarrow \{x_j\}$ is a tight frame . If $A = B = \lambda \Rightarrow \{x_j\}$ is a λ -tight frame .

If $A = B = 1 \Rightarrow \{x_j\}$ is a normalized tight frame or a parseval frame .

If $\sum_{j \in J} \langle x, x_j \rangle \langle x_j, x \rangle$ is convergent in norm, the frame is called standard.

Definition 3.2. Let A be a C^* -algebra and J be a finite or countable index set. A sequence $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ of elements in a Hilbert A -module H is said to be a *-frame for H if there exists strictly non-zero elements A and B of A such that

$$A \langle x, x \rangle A^* \leq \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, x_j \rangle \langle x_j, x \rangle \leq B \langle x, x \rangle B^*, \quad x \in H$$

Where the sum in the middle of the inequality is convergent in norm.

Then elements A and B are called lower and upper *-frame bounds respectively.

We note that every frame for a Hilbert module is a *-frame . If $A=C$ then the

*-frame $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ is indeed a frame a frame for the Hilbert space H . If $A=B$. Then the

*-frame $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ is tight *-frame . If $A=B=\lambda$ then the *-frame $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ is λ -tight

*-frame . If $A=B=1$ then the *-frame $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ is normalized *-frame or Parseval

*-frame

Note that in a Hilbert A -module, the set of all normalized *-frames and set of all normalized frames are the same but this is not true in the tight case.

Definition 3.3. Let $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ be a $*$ -frame for H . The pre $*$ -frame operator $T: H \rightarrow l_2(A)$ defined by $T(x) = \{\langle x, x_j \rangle\}_{j \in J}$ is an injective and closed range adjointable A -module map.

Definition 3.4. Let $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ be a $*$ -frame for H . The adjoint operator of T is $T^*: l_2(A) \rightarrow H$ which is surjective and defined as $T^*(e_j) = x_j$ for $j \in J$ where $\{e_j\}_{j \in J}$ is the standard basis for $l_2(A)$.

Definition 3.5. Let $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ be a $*$ -frame for H . The $*$ -frame operator $S: H \rightarrow H$ is defined as $Sx = T^*Tx = \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, x_j \rangle x_j$. The $*$ -frame operator has some similar properties with frame operator in ordinary frames S is positive and invertible.

Theorem 3.6. Let $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ be a $*$ -frame for H with $*$ -frame operator S . Then $\|A^{-1}\|^{-2} \leq \|S\| \leq \|B\|^2$.

Proof: Given that $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ is a $*$ -frame for H by definition

$$\begin{aligned}
 A \langle x, x \rangle A^* &\leq \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, x_j \rangle \langle x_j, x \rangle \leq B \langle x, x \rangle B^*, \quad \forall x \in H \\
 \Rightarrow A \langle x, x \rangle A^* &\leq \langle Sx, x \rangle \leq B \langle x, x \rangle B^*, \quad \forall x \in H \\
 \Rightarrow A \langle x, x \rangle A^* &\leq Sx, x \text{ and } \langle Sx, x \rangle \leq B \langle x, x \rangle B^* \\
 \Rightarrow \langle x, x \rangle &\leq A^{-1} \langle Sx, x \rangle A^{*-1} \text{ and } \langle Sx, x \rangle \leq B \langle x, x \rangle B^* \\
 \|\langle x, x \rangle\| &\leq \|A^{-1}\| \|\langle Sx, x \rangle\| \|A^{*-1}\| \text{ and } \|\langle Sx, x \rangle\| \leq \|B\| \|\langle x, x \rangle\| \|B^*\| \\
 \Rightarrow \|A^{-1}\|^{-2} \|\langle x, x \rangle\| &\leq \|\langle Sx, x \rangle\| \text{ and } \|\langle Sx, x \rangle\| \leq \|B\|^2 \|\langle x, x \rangle\| \\
 \Rightarrow \|A^{-1}\|^{-2} \|\langle x, x \rangle\| &\leq \|\langle Sx, x \rangle\| \leq \|B\|^2 \|\langle x, x \rangle\| \\
 \text{By taking Sup over all } x \in H, \text{ with } \|x\| &\leq 1 \text{ we get} \\
 \|A^{-1}\|^{-2} &\leq \|S\| \leq \|B\|^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.7.[2] Let $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ be a $*$ -frame for H with pre $*$ -frame operator T . Then $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ is a frame for H .

Proposition 3.8. [2] Let A be a C^* -module over itself every $*$ -frame $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ is a tight $*$ -frame for A .

Proof. Suppose that $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ is a $*$ -frame for A with $*$ -frame operator S .

$$\text{Consider } I_A = SS^{-1}I_A = \sum_{j \in J} \langle S^{-1}I_A, x_j \rangle x_j = S^{-1}I_A \sum_{j \in J} |x_j|^2$$

The above equality shows that $\sum_{j \in J} |x_j|^2$ is an invertible element in A and

$$\sum_{j \in J} |x_j|^2 \text{ is a}$$

strictly positive element of A .

$$\text{So } \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, x_j \rangle \langle x_j, x \rangle = \sum_{j \in J} |x_j|^2 \langle x, x \rangle, \forall x \in A$$

Then $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ is tight $*$ -frame for A .

4. $*$ - K -frame

Definition 4.1. A sequence $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ in Hilbert space H is said to be a K -frame for H if there exists positive real numbers λ, μ such that

$$\lambda \|K^*x\|^2 \leq \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, x_j \rangle \langle x_j, x \rangle \leq \mu \|x\|^2, (x \in H). \text{ Frames are a special case of } K\text{-frames when}$$

K is the identity operator.

Throughout this section H is a finitely or countably generated Hilbert C^ -modules over a unital*

C^ -algebra A and $K \in \text{Hom}_A^*(H, K)$*

Definition 4.2. A sequence $\{x_j\}_{j \in J} \subseteq H$ is called a $*$ -frame for the operator K ($*$ - K -frame), if there exists strictly non-zero $A, B \in A$ such that

$$A \langle K^*x, K^*x \rangle A^* \leq \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, x_j \rangle \langle x_j, x \rangle \leq B \langle x, x \rangle B^*, \text{ where the sum in the middle}$$

of the inequality is convergent in norm.

The element A and B are called the lower and upper $*$ - K -frame bounds respectively. The operator $T : l^2(A) \rightarrow H$ defined by $T(\{a_j\}_{j \in J}) = \sum_{j \in J} a_j x_j$ is called the synthesis operator. The operator $T^* : H \leftarrow l^2(A)$ defined by $T^*(x) = \{\langle x, x_j \rangle\}_{j \in J}$ is called the analysis operator. The operator $S : H \rightarrow H$ defined by $Sx = TT^*(x) = \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, x_j \rangle x_j$ is called the $*$ - K -frame operator of $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$. Note that if $K=I$, S invertible and $\{S^{-1}x_j\}_{j \in J}$ is a $*$ -frame.

The inequality $\langle K^*x, K^*x \rangle \leq \|K\|^2 \langle x, x \rangle, \forall x \in H$ holds. Note that for any $A, B \in A$ the inequality $A \leq B \Rightarrow CAC^* \leq CBC^*$ for any $C \in A$.

Lemma 4.3 [4]. If $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ is a $*$ - K -frame with $*$ -frame bounds A and B then.

$$\|AK^*x\|^2 \leq \sum_{j \in J} \|\langle x, x_j \rangle \langle x_j, x \rangle\| \leq \|Bx\|^2, x \in H.$$

Lemma 4.4.[4] Let $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ be a frame for Hilbert A -module H over a unital C^* -algebra A with frame bounds A, B respectively if and only if

$$A\|x\|^2 \leq \left\| \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, x_j \rangle \langle x_j, x \rangle \right\| \leq B\|x\|^2, x \in H.$$

Lemma 4.5. Let $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ be a $*$ -frame with bounds A and B then it is a $*$ - K -frame.

Proof: Suppose $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ is a $*$ -frame for H by definition, we have

$$\begin{aligned} A \langle x, x \rangle A^* &\leq \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, x_j \rangle \langle x_j, x \rangle \leq B \langle x, x \rangle B^*, \forall x \in H \\ \Rightarrow (A\|K\|^{-1}) \langle K^*x, K^*x \rangle (A\|K\|^{-1})^* &\leq A \langle x, x \rangle A^* \leq \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, x_j \rangle \langle x_j, x \rangle \leq B \langle x, x \rangle B^* \forall x \in H \\ \Rightarrow \{x_j\}_{j \in J} &\text{ is a } *K\text{-frame with frame bounds } A\|K\|^{-1} \text{ and } B. \end{aligned}$$

i.e. every $*$ -frame is a $*$ - K -frame

Theorem4.6. Let $K, L \in Hom_A^*(H)$ and $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ be a $*-K$ -frame with the $*-K$ -frame bounds A, B then

- (i) If $V : H \rightarrow H$ is a co-isometry such that $KV = VK$ then $\{Vx_j\}_{j \in J}$ is a $*-K$ -frame with the same $*-K$ -frame bounds.
- (ii) $\{Lx_j\}_{j \in J}$ is a $*-LK$ -frame with the $*-frame$ bounds A and $B\|L\|$ respectively.

Proof: Suppose $\{x_j\}_{j \in J}$ is a $*-K$ -frame by definition we have

$$A \langle K^*x, K^*x \rangle_{A^*} \leq \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, x_j \rangle \langle x_j, x \rangle \leq B \langle x, x \rangle_{B^*}, \forall x \in H \text{ ----(1)}$$

- (i) By using equation(1) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, Vx_j \rangle \langle Vx_j, x \rangle &= \sum_{j \in J} \langle V^*x, x_j \rangle \langle x_j, V^*x \rangle \\ &\leq B \langle V^*x, V^*x \rangle_{B^*} = B \langle x, x \rangle_{B^*}, \forall x \in H \end{aligned}$$

V is Co-isometry so for any $x \in H$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, Vx_j \rangle \langle Vx_j, x \rangle &\geq A \langle K^*V^*x, K^*V^*x \rangle_{A^*} \\ &= A \langle V^*K^*x, V^*K^*x \rangle_{A^*} \\ &= A \langle K^*x, K^*x \rangle_{A^*} \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

$$A \langle K^*x, K^*x \rangle_{A^*} \leq \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, Vx_j \rangle \langle Vx_j, x \rangle \leq B \langle x, x \rangle_{B^*}, \forall x \in H$$

$\Rightarrow \{Vx_j\}_{j \in J}$ is a $*-K$ -frame

- (ii) For any $x \in H$, by using equation (1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} A \langle (LK)^*x, (LK)^*x \rangle_{A^*} &= A \langle K^*L^*x, K^*L^*x \rangle_{A^*} \\ &\leq \sum_{j \in J} \langle L^*x, x_j \rangle \langle x_j, L^*x \rangle \\ &\leq B \langle L^*x, L^*x \rangle_{B^*} = (B\|L\|) \langle x, x \rangle_{(B\|L\|)^*} \end{aligned}$$

$$A \langle (LK)^*x, (LK)^*x \rangle_{A^*} \leq \sum_{j \in J} \langle x, Lx_j \rangle \langle Lx_j, x \rangle \leq (B\|L\|) \langle x, x \rangle_{(B\|L\|)^*} \forall x \in H$$

$\{Lx_j\}_{j \in J}$ is a $*-LK$ -frame with the $*-frame$ bounds A and $B\|L\|$.

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