

The inverse of operator matrix A where $A \geq I$ and $A > 0$

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الخلاصة

ليكن كل من H, K فضاء هلبرت وليكن $H \oplus K$ هو الضرب الديكارتي لهما وليكن

، $H, K, H \oplus K$ على $B(K, H), B(H, K), B(K), B(H), B(H \oplus K)$

ومن K الى H ومن H الى K على الترتيب. في هذا البحث سنجد معكوس مصفوفة المؤثر $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ D & E \end{bmatrix} \in B(H \oplus K)$

حيث أن $B \in B(H), C \in B(K, H), D \in B(H, K), E \in B(K)$ حيث $A > 0, A \geq I_{H \oplus K}$ وأن $I_{H \oplus K}$ هي المؤثر المحايد

على $H \oplus K$

ABSTRACT

Let H and K be Hilbert spaces and let $H \oplus K$ be the cartesian product of them. Let $B(H), B(K), B(H \oplus K), B(K, H), B(H, K)$ be the Banach spaces of bounded (continuous) operators on $H, K, H \oplus K$, and from K into H and from H into K respectively. In this paper we find the inverse of operator matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ D & E \end{bmatrix} \in B(H \oplus K)$ where $B \in B(H), C \in B(K, H), D \in B(H, K), E \in B(K)$ and $A \geq I_{H \oplus K}, A > 0$ where $I_{H \oplus K}$ is the identity operator on $H \oplus K$

Introduction

Let $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ denotes an inner product on a Hilbert space, and we will denote Hilbert spaces by H, K, H_1, K_1 and $H \oplus K$ denotes the Cartesian product of the Hilbert spaces H, K , and $B(H), B(H \oplus K), B(K, H)$, be the Banach spaces of bounded (continuous) operators on $H, H \oplus K$, and from K into H respectively [see 2]. The inner product on $H \oplus K$ is define by:

$$\langle (x, y), (w, z) \rangle = \langle x, w \rangle + \langle y, z \rangle \quad x, w \in H, y, z \in K$$

we say that A is positive operator on H and denote that by $A \geq 0$ if $\langle Ax, x \rangle \geq 0$ for all x in H , and in this case it has a unique positive square root, we denote this square root by \sqrt{A}

[see 2], it is easy to check that A is invertible if and only if \sqrt{A} is invertible. A^* denotes the adjoint of A and I_H denotes the identity operator on the Hilbert space H . We define the

operator matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ E & D \end{bmatrix} \in B(H \oplus K, L \oplus M)$ where $B \in B(H, L), C \in B(K, L), E \in B(H, M), D$

$\in B(K, M)$ as following $A \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ E & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Bx + Cy \\ Ex + Dy \end{bmatrix}$, where $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \in H \oplus K$, and similar for

the case $m \times n$ operator matrix [see 1 & 3 & 6].

If $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ E & D \end{bmatrix}$ then $A^* = \begin{bmatrix} B^* & E^* \\ C^* & D^* \end{bmatrix}$.

If $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ E & D \end{bmatrix} \geq 0$ then A is a self-adjoint and so has the form $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C^* & D \end{bmatrix}$ and similar for the case $n \times n$ operator matrix [see 1&3]. For related topics[see 7&8]. For elementary facts about matrices [see5 &9] and for elementary facts about Hilbert spaces and operator theory [see 2&6].

Remark: we will sometimes denote $I_{H \oplus K}$ (the identity on $H \oplus K$) or I_H (the identity on H) or I_K (the identity on K) or any identity operator by I , and also we will sometimes denote any zero operator by 0

1)Preliminaries:

Proposition1.1.: Let $T \in B(H, K)$ then

1)if $T^*T \geq I$ and $TT^* \geq I$ then T is invertible,

2)if T is self-adjoint, $T^2 \geq I$ then T is invertible,

3)if $T \geq 0$ then T is invertible if and only if \sqrt{T} is invertible, and in this case we have

$$(\sqrt{T})^2)^{-1} = ((\sqrt{T})^{-1})^2,$$

4)if T is self-adjoint then T is invertible from right if and only if it is invertible from left,

5)if $T \geq I$ then T is invertible,

6) if $T \geq 0$ and it is invertible then $T^{-1} \geq 0$, and in this case we have $\sqrt{T^{-1}} = (\sqrt{T})^{-1}$

7) $T \geq I$ if and only if $0 \leq T^{-1} \leq I$.

Proof:1)see[2]p.156

2)from 1)

3) if T is invertible then there exists an operator S such that $ST=TS=I$, so

$(S\sqrt{T})\sqrt{T} = \sqrt{T}(\sqrt{T}S)=I$ i.e. \sqrt{T} is invertible. Conversely if \sqrt{T} is invertible then there

exists an operator R such that $R\sqrt{T}=\sqrt{T}R=I$, so $I = I.I = (\sqrt{T}R)(\sqrt{T}R) = \sqrt{T}(R\sqrt{T})R = \sqrt{T}(\sqrt{T}R)R = TR^2 = R^2T$, hence T is invertible, and in this case we have

$$(\sqrt{T})^2)^{-1} = T^{-1} = R^2 = ((\sqrt{T})^{-1})^2. \square$$

4) if T is self-adjoint then $T = T^*$, but T is invertible from right if and only if T^* is invertible from left. \square

5) if $T \geq I$ then $T \geq 0$, so \sqrt{T} exists and it is self-adjoint and $(\sqrt{T})^2 \geq I$, so \sqrt{T} is invertible and hence T is invertible. \square

6) if $T \geq 0$ and it is invertible then $\langle Tx, x \rangle \geq 0$, so $\langle TT^{-1}x, T^{-1}x \rangle \geq 0$. i.e. $\langle x, T^{-1}x \rangle \geq 0, \forall x$. Hence $T^{-1} \geq 0$. Now $\sqrt{I} = I$, because $\sqrt{I} \cdot \sqrt{I} = I$, and $I \cdot I = I$, but the positive square root is unique (see [2] p.149) so $\sqrt{I} = I$. and since $T \geq 0$, $T^{-1} \geq 0$, $T^{-1}T = I \geq 0$, we have $\sqrt{T^{-1}}\sqrt{T} = \sqrt{T^{-1}T}$ (see [2] p.149), so $\sqrt{T^{-1}}\sqrt{T} = \sqrt{I} = I$, hence $\sqrt{T^{-1}} = (\sqrt{T})^{-1}$. \square

7) if $T \geq I$ then $T \geq 0$ and it is invertible. so [from 6)] we have $T^{-1} \geq 0$. Now $T^{-1} \geq 0$ & $T - I \geq 0$ & $T^{-1}(T - I) = (T - I)T^{-1}$ [because $T^{-1}(T - I) = T^{-1}T - T^{-1} = I - T^{-1}$ and $(T - I)T^{-1} = TT^{-1} - T^{-1} = I - T^{-1}$]. So, $T^{-1}(T - I) \geq 0$ (see [2] p.149), hence $T^{-1} \leq I$. \square Conversely if $0 \leq T^{-1} \leq I$ then [from 6)] we have $T \geq 0$ but $I - T^{-1} \geq 0$ and $T(I - T^{-1}) = (I - T^{-1})T$, so $T(I - T^{-1}) \geq 0$, hence $T \geq I$. \square

Proposition 1.2: 1) if $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ D & E \end{bmatrix} \geq 0$ then $C = D^*$ and $B \geq 0$ & $E \geq 0$

2) if $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ D & E \end{bmatrix} \geq I$ then $C = D^*$ and $B \geq I$ & $E \geq I$

3) if $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ D & E \end{bmatrix} \leq I$ then $C = D^*$ and $B \leq I$ & $E \leq I$

Proof: 1) see [1] p.18. \square

2) if $A \geq I$ then $A - I \geq 0$ but $I = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$, so $\begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ D & E \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B - I & C \\ D & E - I \end{bmatrix} \geq 0$. Then from 1) we have that $C = D^*$, $B - I \geq 0$, $E - I \geq 0$ i.e. $B \geq I$ & $E \geq I$. \square

3) Similar to 2)

Proposition 1.3.: if $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C^* & E \end{bmatrix}$ is invertible, $A \geq I$ then B, E are invertible

Proof: from Proposition 1.2. 2) we have $B \geq I$ & $E \geq I$, so B, E are invertible. \square

To show that the converse is not true we need the following theorem from [1] p.19:-

Theorem 1.4.: Let $B \in \mathcal{B}(H), E \in \mathcal{B}(K), C \in \mathcal{B}(K, H)$ such that $B \geq 0$ & $E \geq 0$ then:

$$\begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C^* & E \end{bmatrix} \geq 0 \text{ if and only if there exists a contraction } X \in \mathcal{B}(K, H) \text{ such that } C = \sqrt{B} X \sqrt{E}.$$

Now the following example show that the converse of proposition 1.3. is not true

Example 1.5: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, so $B=2 \geq 1, E=2 \geq 1$ and they are invertible but A is not invertible [since $\det A=0$]. Note that $A \geq 0$ [since $C=2 = \sqrt{2} \sqrt{2} = \sqrt{B} X \sqrt{E}$ where $X = 1$, hence $|X| \leq 1$], but $A \not\geq I$ [since $A - I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, and if $\exists X$ such that $2 = \sqrt{1} X \sqrt{1}$, so $X = 2$, hence $|X| \not\leq 1$ i.e. $A - I \not\geq 0$, hence $A \not\geq I$].

Remark 1.6.: it is easy to check that:

1) if A is invertible $m \times n$ operator matrix (i.e. \exists an $n \times m$ operator matrix B s.t. $AB = I_m$ & $BA = I_n$,

Where I_m & I_n are the $m \times m$ & the $n \times n$ identity operator matrices respectively) and if matrix C results from A by interchanging two rows (columns) of A then C is also invertible.

2) if two rows (columns) of an $m \times n$ operator matrix A are equal then A is not invertible.

3) if a row (column) of an $m \times n$ operator matrix A consists entirely of zero operators then A is not invertible.

4) $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & 0 \\ 0 & E \end{bmatrix}$ is invertible if and only if B, E are invertible, and in this

$$\text{case } A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} B^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & E^{-1} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Remark 1.7.: from remark 1.6. 1) we can conclude : if $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ D & E \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{B}(H \oplus K, L \oplus M)$ then

$A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ D & E \end{bmatrix}$ is invertible if and only if $\begin{bmatrix} C & B \\ E & D \end{bmatrix}$ is invertible if and only if $\begin{bmatrix} D & E \\ B & C \end{bmatrix}$ is invertible if and only if $\begin{bmatrix} E & D \\ C & B \end{bmatrix}$ is invertible.

2) The inverse of a 2×2 operator matrix A where $A \geq I$

Theorem 2.1.: 1) if $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C^* & E \end{bmatrix} \geq I$ then $B, E, B - CE^{-1}C^*, E - C^*B^{-1}C$ are invertible

$$\text{and } A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} (B - CE^{-1}C^*)^{-1} & -(B - CE^{-1}C^*)^{-1}CE^{-1} \\ -E^{-1}C^*(B - CE^{-1}C^*)^{-1} & (E - C^*B^{-1}C)^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

In fact :2)if $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C^* & E \end{bmatrix} \geq I$ then $B \geq I, E \geq I, B - CE^{-1}C^* \geq I, E - C^*B^{-1}C \geq I$

Proof 1) if $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C^* & E \end{bmatrix} \geq I$ then A is invertible[proposition1.1.5)] and

$B \geq I, E \geq I$ [proposition1.2.2)] ,so B, E are invertible [proposition1.1.5)]

Now, let $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} J & G \\ G^* & F \end{bmatrix}$ i.e. $AA^{-1} = I = \begin{bmatrix} I_H & 0 \\ 0 & I_K \end{bmatrix}$

,then $J \geq 0, F \geq 0$ since $A^{-1} \geq 0$.And

i) $BJ + CG^* = I_H$, ii) $BG + CF = 0$, iii) $C^*J + EG^* = 0$, iv) $C^*G + EF = I_K$.

So from iii) we have $JC + GE = 0$.So,

$$G = -JCE^{-1} = -B^{-1}CF.$$

Then we have from iv) that

$$(E - C^*B^{-1}C)F = I_K \text{ i.e. } E - C^*B^{-1}C \text{ is invertible, } F = (E - C^*B^{-1}C)^{-1},$$

and from i) we have $J(B - CE^{-1}C^*) = I_H$,so $B - CE^{-1}C^*$ is invertible, and

$$J = (B - CE^{-1}C^*)^{-1}, G = -(B - CE^{-1}C^*)^{-1}CE^{-1} = -B^{-1}C(E - C^*B^{-1}C)^{-1}.$$

Then it is clear that, $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} (B - CE^{-1}C^*)^{-1} & -(B - CE^{-1}C^*)^{-1}CE^{-1} \\ -E^{-1}C^*(B - CE^{-1}C^*)^{-1} & (E - C^*B^{-1}C)^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$

2) if $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C^* & E \end{bmatrix} \geq I$ then

$$0 \leq A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} (B - CE^{-1}C^*)^{-1} & -(B - CE^{-1}C^*)^{-1}CE^{-1} \\ -E^{-1}C^*(B - CE^{-1}C^*)^{-1} & (E - C^*B^{-1}C)^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \leq I$$

,so from proposition1.2.1&3) We have $0 \leq (B - CE^{-1}C^*)^{-1} \leq I, 0 \leq (E - C^*B^{-1}C)^{-1} \leq I$,

then from proposition1.1.7)

$$B - CE^{-1}C^* \geq I, E - C^*B^{-1}C \geq I,$$

also from proposition 1.2.2) We have that $B \geq I$ & $E \geq I$. \square

Remark2.2.: it is easy to check that if $B, E, B - CE^{-1}C^*, E - C^*B^{-1}C$ are invertible then

$A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C^* & E \end{bmatrix}$ is invertible and

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} (B - CE^{-1}C^*)^{-1} & -(B - CE^{-1}C^*)^{-1}CE^{-1} \\ E^{-1}C^*(B - CE^{-1}C^*)^{-1} & (E - C^*B^{-1}C)^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Remark2.3.: since $(B - CE^{-1}C^*)^{-1}CE^{-1} = B^{-1}C(E - C^*B^{-1}C)^{-1}$, and since

$A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C^* & E \end{bmatrix} \geq I$, hence $A - I \geq 0$ and $A \geq 0$, therefore there exists a contraction X and a contraction Y such that

$$C = \sqrt{B} X \sqrt{E} = \sqrt{B - I} Y \sqrt{E - I}$$

then we have alternative forms of A^{-1} such:

$$1) A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} (B - CE^{-1}C^*)^{-1} & -B^{-1}C(E - C^*B^{-1}C)^{-1} \\ -E^{-1}C^*(B - CE^{-1}C^*)^{-1} & (E - C^*B^{-1}C)^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \text{ or}$$

$$2) A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} (\sqrt{B})^{-1}(I - XX^*)^{-1}(\sqrt{B})^{-1} & -(\sqrt{B})^{-1}(I - XX^*)^{-1}X(\sqrt{E})^{-1} \\ -(\sqrt{E})^{-1}X^*(I - XX^*)^{-1}(\sqrt{B})^{-1} & (\sqrt{E})^{-1}(I - X^*X)^{-1}(\sqrt{E})^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \dots \text{etc.}$$

Remark2.4.: the second form of A^{-1} above show that $I - XX^*, I - X^*X$ are invertible and this is easy to check.

Remark2.5.: we know that if a, c, e are complex numbers (the complex number is a special case of an operator) and

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} b & c \\ c^* & e \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } c^* \text{ is the conjugate of } c \text{ then } A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{e}{be - |c|^2} & \frac{-c}{be - |c|^2} \\ \frac{-c^*}{be - |c|^2} & \frac{b}{be - |c|^2} \end{bmatrix} \text{ but from}$$

above:

$$\begin{aligned} A^{-1} &= \begin{bmatrix} (b - ce^{-1}c^*)^{-1} & -(b - ce^{-1}c^*)^{-1}ce^{-1} \\ -e^{-1}c^*(b - ce^{-1}c^*)^{-1} & (e - c^*b^{-1}c)^{-1} \end{bmatrix} = \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{b - \frac{|c|^2}{e}} & -\frac{1}{b - \frac{|c|^2}{e}} C \frac{1}{e} \\ -\frac{1}{e} C^* \frac{1}{b - \frac{|c|^2}{e}} & \frac{1}{e - \frac{|c|^2}{b}} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{e}{be - |c|^2} & \frac{-c}{be - |c|^2} \\ \frac{-c^*}{be - |c|^2} & \frac{b}{be - |c|^2} \end{bmatrix}. \square \end{aligned}$$

Remark2.6.:of course we can generalize the 2×2 case to the $n \times n$ case by iteration. For

example: if $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C & D \\ C^* & E & G \\ D^* & G^* & F \end{bmatrix} \geq I$, then

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C & D \\ C^* & E & G \\ D^* & G^* & F \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} [B & C] & [D] \\ [C^* & E] & [G] \\ [D^* & G^*] & F \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} [B & C] & [D] \\ [C^* & E] & [G] \\ [D^* & G^*] & F \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and we can first find the}$$

inverse of $\begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C^* & E \end{bmatrix} \geq I$, then find the inverse of A .

Remark2.7.:there is no general relation between the invertibility of $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ D & E \end{bmatrix}$ and the invertibility of B, C, D, E , and all the 32 cases can be hold, for example

1) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is not invertible but B, C, D, E are invertible

2) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ is invertible and also B, C, D, E are invertible

3) $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is not invertible

[since $\det A = 0$] and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

is not invertible, but $C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ are invertible.

And so on.

of course, $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ D & E \end{bmatrix}$ is invertible if and only if $\begin{bmatrix} C & B \\ E & D \end{bmatrix}$ is invertible if and only if $\begin{bmatrix} D & E \\ B & C \end{bmatrix}$ is invertible if and only if $\begin{bmatrix} E & D \\ C & B \end{bmatrix}$ is invertible, is useful here

3) The inverse of a 2×2 operator matrix A where $A > 0$

In this section we generalize the results of $A \geq I$ to $A > 0$.

Theorem 3.1.:if $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C^* & D \end{bmatrix} > 0$ is an invertible then so are B & D .

Proof: $C = \sqrt{B} X \sqrt{D}$, $C^* = \sqrt{D} X^* \sqrt{B}$ and $\exists M = \begin{bmatrix} E & G \\ G^* & F \end{bmatrix}$ s.t. $AM = I = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$ then

$BE + \sqrt{B} X \sqrt{D} G^* = I$, $\sqrt{D} X^* \sqrt{B} G + DF = I$. Hence,

$\sqrt{B}(\sqrt{B} E + X \sqrt{D} G^*) = I$, $\sqrt{D}(X^* \sqrt{B} G + \sqrt{D} F) = I$. So, \sqrt{B} , \sqrt{D} are invertible, then B , D are invertible

Remark 3.2.: the converse of theorem 3.1 is not true as we can see by the following example.

Example 3.3.: let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} > 0$ (since $C = 1 = \sqrt{1} X \sqrt{1}$ where $X = 1$ and $\|X\| = |1| = 1$ so $A > 0$), then $B = 1, D = 1$ are invertible but A is not an invertible ($\det A = 0$).

Remark 3.4.: if A is not positive then it is may be that $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ E & D \end{bmatrix}$ is an invertible but B, D are not, as we can see by the following example.

Example 3.5.: let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ then A is not positive ($C = 1 \neq \sqrt{B} X \sqrt{D} = 0$) and A is an invertible ($\det A \neq 0$) but $B = 0, D = 0$ are not invertible.

The main result in this section is the following:

Theorem 3.6.: $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C^* & D \end{bmatrix} > 0$ is an invertible if and only if

$B, D, B - CD^{-1}C^*, D - C^*B^{-1}C$ are invertible, and in this case we have:

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} (B - CD^{-1}C^*)^{-1} & -(B - CD^{-1}C^*)^{-1}CD^{-1} \\ -D^{-1}C^*(B - CD^{-1}C^*)^{-1} & (D - C^*B^{-1}C)^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Proof: \Rightarrow If $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C^* & D \end{bmatrix} > 0$ is an invertible $A^{-1} > 0$

so let $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} E & G \\ G^* & F \end{bmatrix}$ then

i) $BE + CG^* = I$, ii) $BG + CF = 0$, iii) $C^*E + DG^* = 0$,

iv) $C^*G + DF = I$, then we have

$G = -ECD^{-1} = -B^{-1}CF$. Hence

$E(B - CD^{-1}C^*) = I$, i.e. $B - CD^{-1}C^*$ is an invertible and $E = (B - CD^{-1}C^*)^{-1}$.

$(D - C^*B^{-1}C)F = I$, i.e. $D - C^*B^{-1}C$ is an invertible and

$F = (D - C^*B^{-1}C)^{-1}$. Then it is clear that

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} (B - CD^{-1}C^*)^{-1} & -(B - CD^{-1}C^*)^{-1}CD^{-1} \\ -D^{-1}C^*(B - CD^{-1}C^*)^{-1} & (D - C^*B^{-1}C)^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

⇔ if we let $M = \begin{bmatrix} (B - CD^{-1}C^*)^{-1} & -(B - CD^{-1}C^*)^{-1}CD^{-1} \\ -D^{-1}C^*(B - CD^{-1}C^*)^{-1} & (D - C^*B^{-1}C)^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$ then it is easy to check that $AM = I$ i.e. $M = A^{-1}$ □

From the proof of theorem 3.6 we can prove that

Theorem 3.7.: if B&D are invertible then

$A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ E & D \end{bmatrix} \in B(H \oplus K, L \oplus M)$ is an invertible if and only if $B - CD^{-1}E, D - EB^{-1}C$ are invertible and in this case we have

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} (B - CD^{-1}E)^{-1} & -(B - CD^{-1}E)^{-1}CD^{-1} \\ -(D - EB^{-1}C)^{-1}EB^{-1} & (D - EB^{-1}C)^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \in B(L \oplus M, H \oplus K)$$

Proof: Similar to proof of theorem 3.6..

Remark 3.8.: Also we can get the following alternative forms of A^{-1}

$$1) A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} (B - CD^{-1}E)^{-1} & -B^{-1}C(D - EB^{-1}C)^{-1} \\ -(D - EB^{-1}C)^{-1}EB^{-1} & (D - EB^{-1}C)^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2) A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} (B - CD^{-1}E)^{-1} & -(B - CD^{-1}E)^{-1}CD^{-1} \\ -D^{-1}E(B - CD^{-1}E)^{-1} & (D - EB^{-1}C)^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3) A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} (B - CD^{-1}E)^{-1} & -B^{-1}C(D - EB^{-1}C)^{-1} \\ -D^{-1}E(B - CD^{-1}E)^{-1} & (D - EB^{-1}C)^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Remark 3.9.: $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C^* & D \end{bmatrix} \geq I$ is special case of $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C^* & D \end{bmatrix} > 0$ (because $A \geq I > 0$). And

if $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C^* & D \end{bmatrix} \geq I$ then it is necessary that A is invertible then

$B, D, B - CD^{-1}C^*, D - C^*B^{-1}C$ are invertible, in fact

$B \geq I, D \geq I, B - CD^{-1}C^* \geq I, D - C^*B^{-1}C \geq I$, (and hence they are invertible). And if they

are invertible then $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C^* & D \end{bmatrix}$ is an invertible. So we may ask the following question :

Question 3.10.: is it true that if $B \geq I, D \geq I, B - CD^{-1}C^* \geq I, D - C^*B^{-1}C \geq I$ then

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ C^* & D \end{bmatrix} \geq I?$$

But the following example show that this is not true:-

Example 3.11.: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4.1 \\ 4.1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ then $B \geq 1, D \geq 1,$

$$B - CD^{-1}C^* = B - \frac{|C|^2}{D} = 5 - \frac{16.81}{5} = 1.638 \geq 1,$$

$$D - C^*B^{-1}C = D - \frac{|c|^2}{B} = 5 - \frac{16.81}{5} = 1.638 \geq 1 \text{ but,}$$

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4.1 \\ 4.1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \geq \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ if and only if $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4.1 \\ 4.1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \geq 0$ but this is not true (because it is true if and only if there exists $X, |X| \leq 1$ such that $4.1 = \sqrt{4} X \sqrt{4}$, but then

$$|X| = \frac{4.1}{4} > 1, \text{ a contradiction).}$$

Remark 3.12: If $T \in B(H, K)$ then it is easy to check

T is an invertible if and only if $T^*T \in B(H, H)$ & $TT^* \in B(K, K)$ are invertible and in this case we have $T^{-1} = (T^*T)^{-1}T^* = T^*(TT^*)^{-1}$

Also from [2] we have:

$$i) T^*T \geq 0 \text{ and } TT^* \geq 0$$

$$ii) T \neq 0 \text{ if and only if } T^*T \neq 0 \text{ if and only if } TT^* \neq 0$$

so we have that

T is an invertible if and only if $T^*T > 0$ & $TT^* > 0$ are invertible and in this case we have $T^{-1} = (T^*T)^{-1}T^* = T^*(TT^*)^{-1}$. Hence we can use this fact to find the inverse of

$A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ E & D \end{bmatrix}$ (if it exists) by first find the inverses of $AA^* > 0$ & $A^*A > 0$ and use them to find the inverse of A , so

Theorem 3.13: $A = \begin{bmatrix} B & C \\ E & D \end{bmatrix} \in B(H \oplus K, L \oplus M)$ is an invertible if and only if

- 1) $a = BB^* + CC^*$ 2) $b = EE^* + DD^*$ 3) $c = a - (BE^* + CD^*)b^{-1}(BE^* + CD^*)^*$
 - 4) $d = b - (EB^* + DC^*)a^{-1}(EB^* + DC^*)^*$ 5) $e = B^*B + E^*E$ 6) $f = C^*C + D^*D$
 - 7) $g = e - (B^*C + E^*D)f^{-1}(B^*C + E^*D)^*$ 8) $h = f - (C^*B + D^*E)e^{-1}(C^*B + D^*E)^*$
- are invertible and in this case we have

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} g^{-1}(B^* - (B^*C + E^*D)f^{-1}C^*) & g^{-1}(E^* - (B^*C + E^*D)f^{-1}D^*) \\ h^{-1}C^* - f^{-1}(C^*B + D^*E)g^{-1}B^* & h^{-1}D^* - f^{-1}(C^*B + D^*E)g^{-1}E^* \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} (B^* - E^*b^{-1}(EB^* + DC^*))c^{-1} & E^*d^{-1} - B^*c^{-1}(BE^* + CD^*)b^{-1} \\ (C^* - D^*b^{-1}(EB^* + DC^*))c^{-1} & D^*d^{-1} - C^*c^{-1}(BE^* + CD^*)b^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Proof: A is an invertible if and only if $AA^* > 0$ & $A^*A > 0$ are invertible if and only if a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h are invertible and we have

$$A^{-1} = (A^*A)^{-1}A^* = \begin{bmatrix} g^{-1}(B^* - (B^*C + E^*D)f^{-1}C^*) & g^{-1}(E^* - (B^*C + E^*D)f^{-1}D^*) \\ h^{-1}C^* - f^{-1}(C^*B + D^*E)g^{-1}B^* & h^{-1}D^* - f^{-1}(C^*B + D^*E)g^{-1}E^* \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= A^*(AA^*)^{-1}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} (B^* - E^*b^{-1}(EB^* + DC^*))c^{-1} & E^*d^{-1} - B^*c^{-1}(BE^* + CD^*)b^{-1} \\ (C^* - D^*b^{-1}(EB^* + DC^*))c^{-1} & D^*d^{-1} - C^*c^{-1}(BE^* + CD^*)b^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Remark3.14: we can generalize theorem3.13 and find the inverse of the $m \times n$ operator matrix A by first we find the inverse of $AA^* > 0$ & $A^*A > 0$ by iteration as we did in remark2.6.then we find A^{-1} by the relation $A^{-1} = (A^*A)^{-1}A^* = A^*(AA^*)^{-1}$

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