GENERALIZED GROUP INVERSE OF BLOCK OPERATOR MATRICES

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ABSTRACT. We derive the generalized group inverse of a triangular block matrix over a Banach algebra. We apply this formula in order to find the generalized group inverse of 2×2 block operators under some conditions. In particular, the weak group inverse of certain block operator matrices are given.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra with an involution *. The group inverse of an element a in \mathcal{A} is an element x such that

$$xa^2 = a, ax^2 = x, ax = xa.$$

Such x is unique if exists, denoted by $a^{\#}$. The group inverse is a concept primarily used in the context of matrices and linear operators, particularly in functional analysis and algebra. It is extensively studied by many authors from many different views, e.g., [1, 3, 6, 7, 8, 11, 17].

The involution * is proper if $x^*x = 0 \implies x = 0$ for any $x \in \mathcal{A}$, e.g., in a C^* -algebra, the involution is always proper. Let $\mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ be the Banach algebra of all $n \times n$ complex matrices, with conjugate transpose * as the involution. Then the involution * is proper. The concept of a weak group inverse extends the idea of a group inverse in the context of matrices and operators. An element a in a Banach algebra with proper involution * has weak group inverse provided that there exist $x \in \mathcal{A}$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$x = ax^{2}, (a^{*}a^{2}x)^{*} = a^{*}a^{2}x, a^{k} = xa^{k+1}.$$

If such x exists, it is unique, and denote it by $a^{\textcircled{W}}$. The weak group inverse is a valuable tool in linear algebra and functional analysis. It is particularly significant in applications across various fields where traditional group inverses

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fail to exist. We refer the reader for weak group inverse in [5, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, 16].

In [2], we introduced and studied a new generalized inverse in a Banach *-algebra as a generalization of weak group inverse for complex matrices and linear operators. An element a in a Banach algebra with proper involution has generalized group inverse if there exists $x \in \mathcal{A}$ such that

$$x = ax^{2}, (a^{*}a^{2}x)^{*} = a^{*}a^{2}x, \lim_{n \to \infty} ||a^{n} - xa^{n+1}||^{\frac{1}{n}} = 0.$$

Such x is unique if it exists. We call the preceding x the generalized group inverse of a, and denote it by $a^{\textcircled{g}}$. Here, we list some characterizations of generalized group inverse.

The generalized Drazin inverse generalizes the group inverse. An element a in \mathcal{A} has generalized Drazin inverse if there exists $x \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $ax^2 = x, ax = xa, a - a^2x \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ (see [4, 18]). Here, $\mathcal{A}^{qnil} = \{a \in \mathcal{A} \mid 1 + \lambda a \in \mathcal{A}^{-1}\}$. Such x is unique, if exists, and denote it by a^d . We use \mathcal{A}^d and \mathcal{A}^{\oplus} to denote the sets of all generalized Drazin invertible and group invertible elements in \mathcal{A} , respectively. Here, we list some characterizations of generalized group inverse.

Theorem 1.1. (see [2, Theorem 2.2, Theorem 4.1 and Theorem 5.1]) Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach *-algebra, and let $a \in \mathcal{A}$. Then the following are equivalent:

- (1) $a \in \mathcal{A}$ has generalized group inverse.
- (2) There exist $x, y \in \mathcal{A}$ such that

$$a = x + y, x^*y = yx = 0, x \in \mathcal{A}^{\#}, y \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}.$$

In this case, $a^{\textcircled{B}} = x^{\#}$.

(3) $a \in \mathcal{A}^d$ and there exists $x \in \mathcal{A}$ such that

$$x = ax^2, (a^d)^* a^2 x = (a^d)^* a, \lim_{n \to \infty} ||a^n - xa^{n+1}||^{\frac{1}{n}} = 0.$$

(4) There exists an idempotent $p \in \mathcal{A}$ such that

$$a + p \in \mathcal{A}^{-1}, (a^*ap)^* = a^*ap \text{ and } pa = pap \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}.$$

For a complex matrix, three generalized inverses mentioned above coincide with one another. The generalized group inverse is particularly useful when dealing with non-weak group invertible elements in algebraic structures, such as linear operator over a Hilbert space. The motivation of this paper is to investigate the generalized group inverse of a block operator matrix over a Banach algebra.

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In Section 2, we present some necessary lemmas which will be used in the sequel. In Section 3, we are concerned with when a triangular operator matrix has generalized group inverse and the representation of the generalized group inverse is then given. An additive result of the generalized group inverse is established.

Lex X and Y be Banach spaces. We use $\mathcal{B}(X, Y)$ to stand for the set of all bounded linear operators from X to Y. Set $\mathcal{B}(X) = \mathcal{B}(X, Y)$. Finally, in Section 4, we apply our results and study the generalized group inverse for the block operator matrix $M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$, where $A \in \mathcal{B}(X), B \in \mathcal{B}(X, Y), C \in \mathcal{B}(Y, X), D \in \mathcal{B}(Y)$. Here, M is a linear operator on Banach space $X \oplus Y$.

Throughout the paper, all Banach algebras are complex with a proper involution *. We use $\mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{B}}$ and $\mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{W}}$ to stand for the sets of all generalized group invertible and weak group invertible elements in \mathcal{A} , respectively. Let $a \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{B}}$. We denote a^{π} and a^{τ} the idempotents $1 - aa^d$ and $a^{\tau} = 1 - aa^{\textcircled{B}}$, respectively.

2. Key Lemmas

In this section, some lemmas are presented. We begin with

Lemma 2.1. Let $a \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{B}}$ and $b \in \mathcal{A}$. Then the following are equivalent:

(1) $a^{\pi}b = 0.$ (2) $a^{\tau}b = 0.$ (3) $(1 - a^{\textcircled{B}}a)b = 0.$

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (3) Since $a^{\pi}b = 0$, we have that $b = aa^{d}b$. Then $a^{\textcircled{B}}ab = a^{\textcircled{B}}a^{2}a^{d}b = aa^{d}b = b$. Hence $(1 - a^{\textcircled{B}}a)b = 0$, as required.

 $(3) \Rightarrow (2)$ Since $(1 - a^{\textcircled{g}}a)b = 0$, we have $b = a^{\textcircled{g}}ab$. Thus, $(1 - aa^{\textcircled{g}})b = (1 - aa^{\textcircled{g}})a^{\textcircled{g}}ab = 0$.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$ Since $(1 - aa^{\textcircled{B}})b = 0$, we have $b = aa^{\textcircled{B}}b$. Then

$$aa^d b = a^2 a^d a^{\textcircled{g}} b = aa^{\textcircled{g}} b = b.$$

This implies that $a^{\pi}b = 0$, as required.

Lemma 2.2. Let $a \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{B}}$ and $b \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$. If $a^*b = 0$ and ba = 0, then $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{B}}$. In this case,

$$(a+b)^{\textcircled{g}} = a^{\textcircled{g}}.$$

Proof. Since $a \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{B}}$, by virtue of Theorem 1.1, there exist $x \in \mathcal{A}^{\#}$ and $y \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ such that $a = x + y, x^*y = 0, yx = 0$. As in the proof of [2, Theorem 2.2], $x = a^2 a^{\textcircled{B}}$ and $y = a - a^2 a^{\textcircled{B}}$. Then a = x + (y + b). Since

 $by = b(a - a^2 a^{\textcircled{g}}) = 0$, it follows by [18, Lemma 4.1] that $y + b \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$. Obviously, $a^*(y+b) = a^*y + a^*b = 0$. In light of Theorem 1.1, $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{g}}$. In this case,

$$(a+b)^{\textcircled{g}} = x^{\#} = a^{\textcircled{g}},$$

as asserted.

Lemma 2.3.

(1) Let $M = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}$. If $a, d \in \mathcal{A}^{\#}$, then $M \in M_2(\mathcal{A})^{\#}$ if and only if $a^{\pi}bd^{\pi} = 0$. In this case, $M^{\#} = \begin{pmatrix} a^{\#} & z \\ 0 & d^{\#} \end{pmatrix}$, where $z = (a^{\#})^2b(1 - dd^{\#}) + (1 - aa^{\#})b(d^{\#})^2 - a^{\#}bd^{\#}$. (2) Let $p \in \mathcal{A}$ be an idempotent and let $x = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}_{\mu}$. If $a \in (pAp)^{\#}, d \in \mathcal{A}$

(2) Let $p \in \mathcal{A}$ be an idempotent and let $x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & d \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}_p$. If $a \in (pAp)^{\#}, d \in (p^{\pi}Ap^{\pi})^{\#}$, then $x \in \mathcal{A}^{\#}$ if and only if $a^{\pi}bd^{\pi} = 0$. In this case, $x^{\#} = \begin{pmatrix} a^{\#} & z \\ 0 & d^{\#} \end{pmatrix}_p$, where $z = (a^{\#})^2 b(1 - dd^{\#}) + (1 - aa^{\#})b(d^{\#})^2 - a^{\#}bd^{\#}$.

Proof. See [6, Theorem 1] and [7, Theorem 2.1].

For further use, we now extend [1, Theorem 3.4 and Theorem 3.7] as follows.

Lemma 2.4. Let
$$M = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathcal{A})$$
 with $a, d \in \mathcal{A}^{\#}$.

(1) If bd = 0, $a^{\pi}b = 0$ and $d^{\pi}c = 0$, then M has group inverse. In this case,

$$M^{\#} = \begin{pmatrix} a^{\#} & (a^{\#})^2 b \\ -d^{\#} c a^{\#} + (d^{\#})^2 c a^{\pi} & d^{\#} - d^{\#} c (a^{\#})^2 b - (d^{\#})^2 c a^{\#} b \end{pmatrix}.$$

(2) If ab = 0, $ca^{\pi} = 0$ and $bd^{\pi} = 0$, then M has group inverse. In this case,

$$M^{\#} = \begin{pmatrix} a^{\#} - bd^{\#}c(a^{\#})^2 - b(d^{\#})^2ca^{\#} & b(d^{\#})^2 \\ d^{\pi}c(a^{\#})^2 - d^{\#}ca^{\#} & d^{\#} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof. (1) Write M = P + Q, where

$$P = \left(\begin{array}{cc} a & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{array}\right), Q = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0 \\ c & d \end{array}\right).$$

In view of Lemma 2.3, P has group inverse and $P^{\#} = \begin{pmatrix} a^{\#} & (a^{\#})^2 b \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. Similarly, Q has group inverse and $Q^{\#} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ (d^{\#})^2 c & d^{\#} \end{pmatrix}$. Since $d^{\pi}c = 0$, we see that $c = dd^d c$; hence, $bc = b(dd^d c) = (bd)d^d c = 0$. It is easy to verify that

$$PQ = \left(\begin{array}{cc} bc & bd \\ 0 & 0 \end{array}\right) = 0.$$

According to [1, Theorem 2.1], M = P + Q has group inverse and

$$\begin{split} M^{\#} &= Q^{\pi}P^{\#} + Q^{\#}P^{\pi} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -d^{\#}c & d^{\pi} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a^{\#} & (a^{\#})^{2}b \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &+ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ (d^{\#})^{2}c & d^{\#} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a^{\pi} & -a^{\#}b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} a^{\#} & (a^{\#})^{2}b \\ -d^{\#}ca^{\#} + (d^{\#})^{2}ca^{\pi} & d^{\#} - d^{\#}c(a^{\#})^{2}b - (d^{\#})^{2}ca^{\#}b \end{pmatrix}, \end{split}$$

as required.

(2) Write M = P + Q, where

$$P = \left(\begin{array}{cc} a & 0 \\ c & 0 \end{array}\right), Q = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & b \\ 0 & d \end{array}\right).$$

By virtue of Lemma 2.3, we have

$$P^{\#} = \begin{pmatrix} a^{\#} & 0\\ c(a^{\#})^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, Q^{\#} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b(d^{\#})^2\\ 0 & d^{\#} \end{pmatrix}$$

As $ca^{\pi} = 0$, we have $c = ca^{d}a$; whence, $cb = ca^{d}(ab) = 0$. It is easy to verify that

$$PQ = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & ab \\ 0 & cb \end{array}\right) = 0.$$

By virtue of [1, Theorem 2.1], M = P + Q has group inverse and

$$M^{\#} = Q^{\pi}P^{\#} + Q^{\#}P^{\pi}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -bd^{\#} \\ 0 & d^{\pi} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a^{\#} & 0 \\ c(a^{\#})^{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$+ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b(d^{\#})^{2} \\ 0 & d^{\#} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a^{\#} & 0 \\ -ca^{\#} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} a^{\#} - bd^{\#}c(a^{\#})^{2} - b(d^{\#})^{2}ca^{\#} & b(d^{\#})^{2} \\ d^{\pi}c(a^{\#})^{2} - d^{\#}ca^{\#} & d^{\#} \end{pmatrix}$$

as asserted.

Recall that $a \in \mathcal{A}$ has Drazin inverse provided that there exists $x \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $ax^2 = x, ax = xa, a^k = xa^{k+1}$ for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Lemma 2.5. Let $a \in \mathcal{A}$. Then $a \in \mathcal{A}^{\mathbb{W}}$ if and only if

(1) $a \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{g}};$

(2) $a \in \mathcal{A}$ has Drazin inverse.

In this case, $a^{\mathfrak{W}} = a^{\mathfrak{G}}$.

Proof. Straightforward by choosing w = 1 in [4, Lemma 4.5].

3. MAIN RESULTS

We come now to the demonstration for which this section has been developed.

Theorem 3.1. Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra and $M = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}$ with $a, d \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{B}}$. If

$$dd^{\tau}b = 0, b^*dd^{\tau} = 0, a^{\tau}bd^{\tau} = 0,$$

then $M \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{g}}$ and

$$x^{\textcircled{g}} = \begin{pmatrix} a^{\textcircled{g}} & z \\ 0 & d^{\textcircled{g}} \end{pmatrix},$$

where $z = (a^{(g)})^2 b d^{\tau} + a^{\tau} b (d^{(g)})^2 - a^{(g)} b d^{(g)}$.

Proof. By hypothesis, we have generalized group decompositions:

$$a = x + y, d = s + t,$$

where

$$x, s \in \mathcal{A}^{\#}, y, t \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$$

and

$$x^*y = 0, yx = 0; s^*t = 0, ts = 0.$$

As in the proof of [2, Theorem 2.2],

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x & = & a^2 a^{\textcircled{B}}, y = d - d^2 d^{\textcircled{B}}, \\ s & = & d^2 d^{\textcircled{B}}, t = d - d^2 d^{\textcircled{B}}. \end{array}$$

Then we have M = P + Q, where

$$P = \left(\begin{array}{cc} x & b \\ 0 & s \end{array}\right), Q = \left(\begin{array}{cc} y & 0 \\ 0 & t \end{array}\right).$$

We verify that

$$x^{\pi} b s^{\pi} = [1 - (a^2 a^{\textcircled{e}}) a^{\textcircled{e}}] b [1 - (d^2 d^{\textcircled{e}}) d^{\textcircled{e}}] = (1 - a a^{\textcircled{e}}) b (1 - d d^{\textcircled{e}}) = 0.$$

In view of Lemma 2.3, P has group inverse. Since $y, t \in \mathcal{A}^{qil}$, we directly verify that Q is quasinilpotent. One easily checks that

$$P^*Q = \begin{pmatrix} x^* & 0 \\ b^* & s^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y & 0 \\ 0 & t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ b^*y & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$
$$QP = \begin{pmatrix} y & 0 \\ 0 & t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x & b \\ 0 & s \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & yb \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

In light of Theorem 1.1 and Lemma 2.3, we derive that

$$M^{\textcircled{g}} = P^{\#} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} x^{\#} & z\\ 0 & s^{\#} \end{array}\right),$$

where $z = (x^{\#})^2 b(1 - ss^{\#}) + (1 - xx^{\#})b(s^{\#})^2 - x^{\#}bs^{\#}$. Therefore

$$M^{\textcircled{g}} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} a^{\textcircled{g}} & z\\ 0 & d^{\textcircled{g}} \end{array}\right).$$

where $z = (a^{\textcircled{B}})^2 b [1 - dd^{\textcircled{B}}] + [1 - aa^{\textcircled{B}}] b (d^{\textcircled{B}})^2 - a^{\textcircled{B}} b d^{\textcircled{B}}$.

Corollary 3.2. Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra and $M = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ with $a, d \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{B}}$. If

$$aa^{\tau}c = 0, c^*aa^{\tau} = 0, d^{\tau}ca^{\tau} = 0,$$

then $M \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{g}}$ and

$$x^{\mathfrak{E}} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} a^{\mathfrak{E}} & z \\ z & d^{\mathfrak{E}} \end{array}\right),$$

where $z = (d^{\textcircled{g}})^2 ca^{\tau} + d^{\tau} c(a^{\textcircled{g}})^2 - d^{\textcircled{g}} ca^{\textcircled{g}}$.

Proof. Clearly, we have $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} M \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} d & c \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}$. Applying Theorem 3.1 to the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} d & c \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}$, we see that $\begin{pmatrix} d & c \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}$ has generalized group inverse. In this case,

$$M^{\textcircled{e}} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 1\\ 1 & 0 \end{array}\right) \left(\begin{array}{cc} d & c\\ b & a \end{array}\right)^{\textcircled{e}} \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 1\\ 1 & 0 \end{array}\right)$$

Therefore we complete the proof by Theorem 3.1.

Corollary 3.3. Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra and $M = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ with $a \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{s}}$. If $a^{\pi}b = 0$, then $M \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{s}}$ and

$$M^{\textcircled{g}} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} a^{\textcircled{g}} & (a^{\textcircled{g}})^2 b\\ 0 & 0 \end{array}\right).$$

Proof. Since $a^{\pi}b = 0$, it follows by Lemma 2.1 that $a^{\tau}b = 0$. This completes the proof by Theorem 3.1.

Corollary 3.4. Let \mathcal{A} be a Banach algebra and $M = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ with $d \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{g}}$. If $d^{\pi}c = 0$, then $x \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{g}}$ and

$$M^{\textcircled{g}} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0\\ (d^{\textcircled{g}})^2 c & d^{\textcircled{g}} \end{array}\right),$$

Proof. In view of Lemma 2.1, $d^{\tau}c = 0$. We are through by Corollary 3.2.

Let $p = p^2 \in \mathcal{A}$. We can represent $a \in \mathcal{A}$ as $a = \begin{pmatrix} pap & pap^{\pi} \\ p^{\pi}ap & p^{\pi}ap^{\pi} \end{pmatrix}_p$. We next use the matrix approach to establish an additive result of generalized group inverse.

Theorem 3.5. Let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d, a^{\pi}b \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{B}}$. If $a^{\pi}ba = 0, aa^{\pi}b = 0, a^*a^{\pi}b = 0$ and $(a+b)^{\pi}aa^dba^{\pi} = 0$, the following are equivalent:

(1)
$$a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{g}}$$
 and $a^d(a + b)^{\textcircled{g}}a^{\pi} = 0.$
(2) $(a + b)aa^d \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{g}}.$

In this case,

$$(a+b)^{\textcircled{g}} = [(a+b)aa^{d}]^{\textcircled{g}} + (a^{\pi}b)^{\textcircled{g}} - [(a+b)aa^{d}]^{\textcircled{g}}aa^{d}ba^{\pi}(a^{\pi}b)^{\textcircled{g}}$$

Proof. Let $p = aa^d$. By hypothesis, we have $p^{\pi}ba = 0$. Hence, $p^{\pi}bp = (a^{\pi}ba)a^d = 0$. Moreover, we have $p^{\pi}ap = (1 - aa^d)a^2a^d = 0$, $pap^{\pi} = aa^da(1 - aa^d) = 0$, $p^{\pi}ap^{\pi} = 0$. Then

$$a = \left(\begin{array}{cc} a^2 a^d & 0\\ 0 & a^\pi a \end{array}\right)_p, b = \left(\begin{array}{cc} b_1 & b_2\\ 0 & a^\pi b \end{array}\right)_p$$

Hence

$$a+b = \left(\begin{array}{cc} (a+b)aa^d & aa^dba^\pi \\ 0 & a^\pi(a+b) \end{array}\right)_p.$$

By hypothesis, we verify that

$$\begin{array}{rcl} (a^{\pi}b)^{*}(a^{\pi}a) &=& (a^{*}a^{\pi}b)^{*}a^{\pi}=0,\\ (a^{\pi}a)(a^{\pi}b) &=& aa^{\pi}b=0,\\ a^{\pi}a &\in& \mathcal{A}^{qnil}. \end{array}$$

In view of Lemma 2.2, $a_4 + b_4 = a^{\pi}(a+b) = a^{\pi}a + a^{\pi}b \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{g}}$. Additionally,

$$a^{\pi}b \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{B}}, (a^{\pi}b)^d = p^{\pi}b^d, (a^{\pi}b)^{\pi} = p^{\pi}b^{\pi}.$$

By virtue of Lemma 2.2, we derive that $(a_4 + b_4)^{\textcircled{B}} = b_4^{\textcircled{B}} = (a^{\pi}b)^{\textcircled{B}}$. Since $p^{\pi}(a+b)aa^d = 0$ and $p^{\pi}(a+b) \in \mathcal{A}^d$, it follows by [14, Lemma 2.2]

Since $p^{\pi}(a+b)aa^a = 0$ and $p^{\pi}(a+b) \in \mathcal{A}^a$, it follows by [14, Lemma 2.2] that

$$(a_1 + b_1)^d = [(a + b)aa^d]^d = (a + b)^d aa^d.$$

Moreover, we have

$$(a_1 + b_1)^{\pi} = aa^d - (a + b)^d aa^d (a + b)aa^d = aa^d - (a + b)^d (a + b)aa^d = (a + b)^{\pi} aa^d.$$

(1) \Rightarrow (2) Since $a^d(a+b)^{\textcircled{g}}a^{\pi} = 0$, we have $p(a+b)^{\textcircled{g}}p^{\pi} = 0$. Then we write

$$(a+b)^{\textcircled{g}} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} \alpha & \beta \\ 0 & \gamma \end{array}\right)_p$$

Then

$$(a+b)((a+b)^{\textcircled{e}})^2 = \alpha,$$

$$((a+b)^*(a+b)^2(a+b)^{\textcircled{e}})^* = (a+b)^*(a+b)^2(a+b)^{\textcircled{e}},$$

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} ||(a+b)^n - (a+b)^{\textcircled{e}}(a+b)^{n+1}||^{\frac{1}{n}} = 0.$$

We infers that

$$(a_1 + b_1)\alpha^2 = \alpha, [(a_1 + b_1)^*(a_1 + b_1)^2\alpha]^* = (a_1 + b_1)^*(a_1 + b_1)^2\alpha,$$
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} ||(a_1 + b_1)^n - \alpha(a_1 + b_1)^{n+1}||^{\frac{1}{n}} = 0.$$

Therefore $(a_1 + b_1)^{\textcircled{g}} = \alpha$, as desired.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$ By hypothesis, we have

$$a_1 + b_1 = (a+b)aa^d \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{g}}$$

By the preceding discussion, $a_1 + b_1, a_4 + b_4 \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{B}}$, and so we have generalized group decompositions: $a_1 + b_1 = x + y, a_4 + b_4 = s + t$, where $x, s \in \mathcal{A}^{\#}, y, t \in \mathcal{A}^{\#}$

 \mathcal{A}^{qnil} and $x^*y = 0, yx = 0; s^*t = 0, ts = 0$. As in the proof of [2, Theorem 2.2],

$$\begin{aligned} x &= (a_1 + b_1)^2 (a_1 + b_1)^{\textcircled{e}}, \\ y &= (a_1 + b_1) - (a_1 + b_1)^2 (a_1 + b_1)^{\textcircled{e}}, \\ s &= (a_4 + b_4)^2 (a_4 + b_4)^{\textcircled{e}} \\ &= a^{\pi} (a + b)^2 (a^{\pi} b)^{\textcircled{e}}, \\ t &= (a_4 + b_4) - (a_4 + b_4)^2 (a_4 + b_4)^{\textcircled{e}} \\ &= a^{\pi} [(a + b) - (a + b)^2 (a^{\pi} b)^{\textcircled{e}}]. \end{aligned}$$

Then we have $a + b = \beta + \gamma$, where

$$\beta = \begin{pmatrix} x & xx^{d}b_{2} \\ 0 & s \end{pmatrix}_{p},$$

$$\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} y & x^{\pi}b_{2} \\ 0 & t \end{pmatrix}_{p}.$$

Clearly, we have $x^{\pi}(xx^d b_2) = 0$, and so $\beta \in \mathcal{A}^{\#}$ by Lemma 2.3. Since $y, t \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$, we see that $\gamma \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$. By hypothesis, we easily check that

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x^*x^{\pi}b_2 &=& x^*(a_1+b_1)^{\pi}b_2 = x^*(a+b)^{\pi}aa^dba^{\pi} = 0, \\ x^*t &=& x^*a^{\pi}[(a+b)-(a+b)^2(a^{\pi}b)^{\textcircled{e}} \\ &=& (aa^dx)^*a^{\pi}[a+b-(a^2+ab+ba+b^2)a^{\pi}ba^{\pi}b^d(a^{\pi}b)^{\textcircled{e}} \\ &=& (a^dx)^*a^{\pi}[a^*a^{\pi}b][(1-a-b)a^{\pi}ba^{\pi}b^d(a^{\pi}b)^{\textcircled{e}} \\ &+& (aa^dx)^*a^{\pi}[1-a)[aa^{\pi}b]a^{\pi}b^d(a^{\pi}b)^{\textcircled{e}} \\ &-& (aa^dx)^*[aa^{\pi}b]a^{\pi}ba^{\pi}b^d(a^{\pi}b)^{\textcircled{e}} = 0, \\ s^*y &=& [a^{\pi}(a+b)^2(a^{\pi}b)^{\textcircled{e}}]^*aa^dz \\ &=& [a^{\pi}(a^2+ab+ba+b^2)(a^{\pi}b)(a^{\pi}b^d)(a^{\pi}b)^{\textcircled{e}}]^*aa^dz \\ &=& [a^{\pi}(a^2+b^2)(a^{\pi}b)(a^{\pi}b^d)(a^{\pi}b)^{\textcircled{e}}]^*aa^dz \\ &=& [a^{\pi}(a^2+b^2)(a^{\pi}b)(a^{\pi}b^d)(a^{\pi}b)^{\textcircled{e}}]^*aa^dz \\ &=& [b(a^{\pi}b)(a^{\pi}b^d)(a^{\pi}b)^{\textcircled{e}}]^*aa^dz = 0, \\ s^*x^{\pi}b_2 &=& [a^{\pi}(a+b)^2(a^{\pi}b)^{\textcircled{e}}]^*aa^dz' \\ &=& [b(a^{\pi}b)(a^{\pi}b^d)(a^{\pi}b)^{\textcircled{e}}]^*aa^dz' = 0. \end{array}$$

Moreover, we derive that

$$x^{\pi}b_2s = (a+b)^{\pi}aa^dba^{\pi}b^2a^{\pi}(a+b)^2(a^{\pi}b)^{\textcircled{g}} = 0.$$

We directly check that

$$\beta^* \gamma = [x^* + (b_2)^* (xx^d)^* + s^*] \begin{pmatrix} y & x^\pi b_2 \\ 0 & t \end{pmatrix}_p$$

= 0,
$$\gamma \beta = \begin{pmatrix} y & x^\pi b_2 \\ 0 & t \end{pmatrix}_p \begin{pmatrix} x & xx^d b_2 \\ 0 & s \end{pmatrix}_p$$

= 0.

According to Lemma 2.2, $a + b = \beta + \gamma \in M_2(\mathcal{A})^{\textcircled{g}}$. In this case, we have

$$(a+b)^{\textcircled{B}} = \beta^{\#}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} x^{\#} & z \\ 0 & s^{\#} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} (a_1+b_1)^{\textcircled{B}} & z \\ 0 & (a^{\pi}b)^{\textcircled{B}} \end{pmatrix}_p,$$

where

$$z = -x^{\#} z s^{\#} = -(a_1 + b_1)^{\textcircled{B}} a a^d b a^{\pi} (a^{\pi} b)^{\textcircled{B}}.$$

Obviously, $a^d(a+b)^{\textcircled{B}}a^{\pi} = a^d[aa^d(a+b)^{\textcircled{B}}a^{\pi}] = 0$, as required.

Corollary 3.6. Let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d, a^{\pi}b \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{B}}$. If $a^{\pi}ba = 0, a^*a^{\pi}b = 0$ and $aba^{\pi} = 0$, then the following are equivalent:

(1)
$$a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{g}}$$
.
(2) $(a + b)aa^d \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{g}}$.

In this case, $(a+b)^{\textcircled{g}} = [(a+b)aa^d]^{\textcircled{g}} + (a^{\pi}b)^{\textcircled{g}}.$

Proof. This is obvious by Theorem 3.4.

Corollary 3.7. Let $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{s}}$. If ab = 0, ba = 0 and $a^*b = 0$, then $a+b \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{s}}$. In this case,

$$(a+b)^{\textcircled{g}} = a^{\textcircled{g}} + b^{\textcircled{g}}.$$

Proof. Since ab = 0, we see that $a^{\pi}ba = 0$, $a^*a^{\pi}b = 0$ and $aba^{\pi} = 0$. Moreover, we see that $(a + b)aa^d = a^2a^d \in \mathcal{A}^{\textcircled{B}}$. This completes the proof by Corollary 3.6.

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4. Applications

Lex X and Y be Banach spaces, and let $M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$, where $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)^{\textcircled{B}}$, $B \in \mathcal{B}(X,Y)$, $C \in \mathcal{B}(Y,X)$, $D \in \mathcal{B}(Y)^{\textcircled{B}}$. Choose $p = \begin{pmatrix} I_X & 0 \\ 0 & I_Y \end{pmatrix}$. Then $M = \begin{pmatrix} pMp & pMp^{\pi} \\ p^{\pi}Mp & p^{\pi}Mp^{\pi} \end{pmatrix}_p$. Here, every subblock matrices can be seen as the bounded linear operators on Banach space $X \oplus Y$. Throughout this section, without loss the generality, we consider M as the block operator matrix in a specifical case X = Y. Evidently, $\mathcal{B}(X \oplus X)$ is indeed an Banach algebra with the adjoint operation as the involution.

Theorem 4.1. If $BD = 0, CA = 0, A^{\pi}B = 0$ and $D^{\pi}C = 0$, then M has generalized group inverse. In this case,

$$M^{\textcircled{g}} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} A^{\textcircled{g}} & (A^{\textcircled{g}})^2 B\\ (D^{\textcircled{g}})^2 C & D^{\textcircled{g}} \end{array}\right)$$

Proof. Since $A^{\pi}B = 0$, we verify that $CB = C(AA^{d}B) = (CA)A^{d}B = 0$. It follows from $D^{\pi}C = 0$ that $BC = B(DD^{d}C) = (BD)D^{d}C = 0$.

Write M = P + Q, where

$$P = \left(\begin{array}{cc} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{array}\right), Q = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0 \\ C & D \end{array}\right).$$

It is easy to verify that

$$P^*Q = \begin{pmatrix} A^* & 0 \\ B^* & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$

$$PQ = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} BC & BD \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$

$$QP = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ CA & CB \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$

In view of Corollary 3.3, P has generalized group inverse. By virtue of Corollary 3.4, Q has generalized group inverse. Therefore M has generalized group inverse by Corollary 3.7. Moreover, we have

$$\begin{aligned} M^{\textcircled{\$}} &= P^{\textcircled{\$}} + Q^{\textcircled{\$}} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} A^{\textcircled{\$}} & (A^{\textcircled{\$}})^2 B \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ (D^{\textcircled{\$}})^2 C & D^{\textcircled{\$}} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} A^{\textcircled{\$}} & (A^{\textcircled{\$}})^2 B \\ (D^{\textcircled{\$}})^2 C & D^{\textcircled{\$}} \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

as asserted.

Corollary 4.2. If $BD = 0, CA = 0, A^*(A^{\pi}B) = 0, D^*(D^{\pi}C) = 0$ and $(A^{\pi}B)(D^{\pi}C)$ is quasinilpotent, then M has generalized group inverse. In this case,

$$M^{\textcircled{g}} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} A^{\textcircled{g}} & (A^{\textcircled{g}})^2 A A^d B \\ (D^{\textcircled{g}})^2 D D^d C & D^{\textcircled{g}} \end{array}\right).$$

Proof. Write M = P + Q, where

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} A & AA^{d}B \\ DD^{d}C & D \end{pmatrix}, Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^{\pi}B \\ D^{\pi}C & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since $(AA^dB)D = 0$, $(DD^dC)A = 0$, $A^{\pi}(AA^dB) = 0$ and $D^{\pi}(DD^dC) = 0$, it follows by Theorem 4.1 that P has generalized group inverse and

$$P^{\textcircled{g}} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} A^{\textcircled{g}} & (A^{\textcircled{g}})^2 A A^d B \\ (D^{\textcircled{g}})^2 D D^d C & D^{\textcircled{g}} \end{array}\right).$$

Since $(A^{\pi}B)(D^{\pi}C)$ is quasinilpotent, then so is $(D^{\pi}C)(A^{\pi}B)$. Then $Q^2 = \begin{pmatrix} (A^{\pi}B)(D^{\pi}C) & 0\\ 0 & (D^{\pi}C)(A^{\pi}B) \end{pmatrix}$ is quasinilpotent, and then so is Q. One easily checks that

$$P^{*}Q = \begin{pmatrix} A^{*} & (DD^{d}C)^{*} \\ (AA^{d}B)^{*} & D^{*} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^{\pi}B \\ D^{\pi}C & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} (D^{d}C)^{*}(D^{*}D^{\pi}C) & A^{*}A^{\pi}B \\ D^{*}D^{\pi}C & (A^{d}B)^{*}(A^{*}A^{\pi}B) \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$

$$QP = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^{\pi}B \\ D^{\pi}C & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & AA^{d}B \\ DD^{d}C & D \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} A^{\pi}BDD^{d}C & A^{\pi}BD \\ D^{\pi}CA & D^{\pi}CAA^{d}B \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$

Therefore M has generalized group inverse by Lemma 2.2. Moreover, we have

$$M^{\textcircled{g}} = P^{\textcircled{g}} = \begin{pmatrix} A^{\textcircled{g}} & (A^{\textcircled{g}})^2 A A^d B \\ (D^{\textcircled{g}})^2 D D^d C & D^{\textcircled{g}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Theorem 4.3. If BD = 0, $A^*B = 0$, $D^*C = 0$, $A^{\pi}B = 0$ and $D^{\pi}C = 0$, then M has generalized group inverse. In this case,

$$M^{\textcircled{g}} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & \delta \end{array}\right),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= A^{\textcircled{e}}, \\ \beta &= (A^{\textcircled{e}})^2 B, \\ \gamma &= -D^{\textcircled{e}} C A^{\textcircled{e}} + (D^{\textcircled{e}})^2 C[I - AA^{\textcircled{e}}], \\ \delta &= D^{\textcircled{e}} - D^{\textcircled{e}} C(A^{\textcircled{e}})^2 B - (D^{\textcircled{e}})^2 CA^{\textcircled{e}} B \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Since A and D has generalized group inverse, it follows by Theorem 1.1 that we have

$$\begin{aligned} A &= A_1 + A_2, A_1^* A_2 = 0, A_2 A_1 = 0, \\ D &= D_1 + D_2, D_1^* D_2 = 0, D_2 D_1 = 0, \\ A_1, D_1 \text{ has group inverse}, A_2, D_2 \text{ is quasinilpotent.} \end{aligned}$$

Evidently, $A_1 = A^2 A^{\textcircled{g}}, A_2 = A - A^2 A^{\textcircled{g}}$ and $D_1 = D^2 D^{\textcircled{g}}, D_2 = D - D^2 D^{\textcircled{g}}$. Write M = P + Q, where

$$P = \left(\begin{array}{cc} A_1 & B \\ C & D_1 \end{array}\right), Q = \left(\begin{array}{cc} A_2 & 0 \\ 0 & D_2 \end{array}\right).$$

We easily check that $C^*D_2 = C^*D(I - DD^{\textcircled{B}}) = [D^*C]^*[I - DD^{\textcircled{B}}] = 0$. Analogously, we have $B^*A_2 = 0$. Since $A^{\pi}B = 0$, we verify that

$$A_2B = (A - A^2A^{\textcircled{e}})B$$

= $(A - A^2A^{\textcircled{e}})AA^dB$
= $A^2A^dB - A^2A^{\textcircled{e}}AA^dB$
= $A^2A^dB - A^2A^dB = 0.$

Likewise, we have $D_2C = 0$. Then

$$P^{*}Q = \begin{pmatrix} A_{1}^{*} & C^{*} \\ B^{*} & D_{1}^{*} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A_{2} & 0 \\ 0 & D_{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & C^{*}D_{2} \\ B^{*}A_{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$
$$QP = \begin{pmatrix} A_{2} & 0 \\ 0 & D_{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A_{1} & B \\ C & D_{1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A_{2}B \\ D_{2}C & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

Obviously, $BD_1 = (BD)DD^{\textcircled{B}} = 0$. Since $A^{\pi}B = 0$, it follows by Lemma 2.1 that $A_1^{\pi}B = [I - A^2A^{\textcircled{B}})A^{\textcircled{B}}]B = (I - AA^{\textcircled{B}})B = 0$. Similarly, $D_1^{\pi}C = 0$. In view of Lemma 2.4, P has group inverse. In this case,

$$P^{\#} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & \delta \end{array}\right),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= A^{\textcircled{\&}}, \\ \beta &= (A^{\textcircled{\&}})^2 B, \\ \gamma &= -D^{\textcircled{\&}} C A^{\textcircled{\&}} + (D^{\textcircled{\&}})^2 C[I - AA^{\textcircled{\&}}], \\ \delta &= D^{\textcircled{\&}} - D^{\textcircled{\&}} C(A^{\textcircled{\&}})^2 B - (D^{\textcircled{\&}})^2 CA^{\textcircled{\&}} B \end{aligned}$$

Obviously, Q is quasinilpotent. According to Theorem 1.1, M has generalized group inverse and $M^{\textcircled{B}} = P^{\#}$, as required.

Corollary 4.4. If CA = 0, $A^*B = 0$, $D^*C = 0$, $A^{\pi}B = 0$ and $D^{\pi}C = 0$, then M has generalized group inverse. In this case,

$$M^{\textcircled{B}} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & \delta \end{array}\right),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= A^{\textcircled{\$}} - A^{\textcircled{\$}} B(D^{\textcircled{\$}})^2 C - (A^{\textcircled{\$}})^2 B D^{\textcircled{\$}} C, \\ \beta &= -A^{\textcircled{\$}} B D^{\textcircled{\$}} + (A^{\textcircled{\$}})^2 B[I - D D^{\textcircled{\$}}], \\ \gamma &= (D^{\textcircled{\$}})^2 C, \\ \delta &= D^{\textcircled{\$}}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Applying Theorem 4.3 to the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} D & C \\ B & A \end{pmatrix}$, we prove that $\begin{pmatrix} D & C \\ B & A \end{pmatrix}$ has generalized group inverse. Thus M has generalized group inverse and

$$M^{(g)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} D & C \\ B & A \end{pmatrix}^{(g)} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The proof is true by Theorem 4.3.

Lemma 4.5. If $A^*B = 0$, BD = 0, then $N = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix}$ has generalized group inverse. In this case,

$$N^{\textcircled{g}} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} A^{\textcircled{g}} & 0\\ 0 & D^{\textcircled{g}} \end{array}\right).$$

Proof. Write N = P + Q, where

$$P = \left(\begin{array}{cc} A & 0\\ 0 & D \end{array}\right), Q = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & B\\ 0 & 0 \end{array}\right).$$

We easily check that

$$P^*Q = \begin{pmatrix} A^* & 0 \\ 0 & D^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^*B \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$
$$QP = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & BD \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$

Since A and D have generalized group inverse, P has generalized group inverse and $(I \otimes I \otimes I)$

$$P^{\textcircled{g}} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} A^{\textcircled{g}} & 0\\ 0 & D^{\textcircled{g}} \end{array}\right).$$

Obviously, Q is nilpotent, and so it is quasinilpotent. According to Lemma 2.2, $M^{\textcircled{B}} = P^{\textcircled{B}}$, as required.

Lemma 4.6. If $D^*C = 0, CA = 0$, then $N = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$ has generalized group inverse. In this case,

$$N^{\textcircled{e}} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} A^{\textcircled{e}} & 0\\ 0 & D^{\textcircled{e}} \end{array}\right).$$

Proof. Write N = P + Q, where

$$P = \left(\begin{array}{cc} A & 0\\ 0 & D \end{array}\right), Q = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0\\ C & 0 \end{array}\right).$$

We easily check that

$$P^*Q = \begin{pmatrix} A^* & 0 \\ 0 & D^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ C & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$
$$QP = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ C & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$

By virtue of Lemma 2.2, M has generalized group inverse and $M^{\textcircled{g}} = P^{\textcircled{g}}$, as desired.

We are ready to prove:

Theorem 4.7. If BC = 0, BD = 0, CA = 0, CB = 0, $A^*B = 0$, $D^*C = 0$, then M has generalized group inverse. In this case,

$$M^{\textcircled{g}} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} A^{\textcircled{g}} & 0\\ 0 & D^{\textcircled{g}} \end{array}\right).$$

Proof. Write M = P + Q, where

$$P = \left(\begin{array}{cc} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{array}\right), Q = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0 \\ C & D \end{array}\right).$$

It is easy to verify that

$$P^*Q = \begin{pmatrix} A^* & 0 \\ B^* & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$

$$PQ = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} BC & BD \\ 0 & 0 \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$

$$QP = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ CA & CB \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$

In view of Lemma 4.5, P has generalized group inverse. In view of Lemma 4.6, Q has generalized group inverse. Moreover, we have

$$P^{\textcircled{g}} = \begin{pmatrix} A^{\textcircled{g}} & (0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$
$$Q^{\textcircled{g}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & D^{\textcircled{g}}. \end{pmatrix}.$$

In light of Corollary 3.7,

$$M^{\textcircled{g}} = P^{\textcircled{g}} + Q^{\textcircled{g}} = \begin{pmatrix} A^{\textcircled{g}} & 0\\ 0 & D^{\textcircled{g}} \end{pmatrix},$$

as asserted.

Finally, we present some new formulas for the weak group inverse of a block operator matrix over a Banach space.

Theorem 4.8. Let
$$M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$$
, where $A \in \mathcal{B}(X)^{\mathfrak{W}}, B \in \mathcal{B}(X,Y), C \in \mathcal{B}(Y,X), D \in \mathcal{B}(Y)^{\mathfrak{W}}$.
(1) If $BD = 0, CA = 0, A^{\pi}B = 0$ and $D^{\pi}C = 0$, then
 $M^{\mathfrak{W}} = \begin{pmatrix} A^{\mathfrak{W}} & (A^{\mathfrak{W}})^{2}B \\ (D^{\mathfrak{W}})^{2}C & D^{\mathfrak{W}} \end{pmatrix}$.

(2) $BD = 0, A^*B = 0, D^*C = 0, A^{\pi}B = 0$ and $D^{\pi}C = 0$, then

$$M^{\mathfrak{W}} = \left(\begin{array}{cc} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & \delta \end{array}\right),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= A^{\mathfrak{W}}, \\ \beta &= (A^{\mathfrak{W}})^2 B, \\ \gamma &= -D^{\mathfrak{W}} C A^{\mathfrak{W}} + (D^{\mathfrak{W}})^2 C [I - A A^{\mathfrak{W}}], \\ \delta &= D^{\mathfrak{W}} - D^{\mathfrak{W}} C (A^{\mathfrak{W}})^2 B - (D^{\mathfrak{W}})^2 C A^{\mathfrak{W}} B. \end{aligned}$$

(3)
$$BD = 0, CA = 0, BC = 0, CB = 0, A^*B = 0, D^*C = 0$$
, then
$$M^{\mathfrak{W}} = \begin{pmatrix} A^{\mathfrak{W}} & 0\\ 0 & D^{\mathfrak{W}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof. They are direct consequences from Lemma 2.5, Theorem 4.1, Theorem 4.3 and Theorem 4.7. $\hfill \Box$

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