

## TUPLE OF OPERATORS AND HYPERCYCLICITY

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**Abstract:** In this paper we characterize the equivalent conditions for a tuple of commutative bounded linear operators, satisfying the Hypercyclicity Criterion.

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### 1. Introduction

By an  $n$ -tuple of operators we mean a finite sequence of length  $n$  of commuting continuous linear operators on a Banach space  $X$ .

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $\mathcal{T} = (T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n)$  be an  $n$ -tuple of operators acting on an infinite dimensional Banach space  $X$ . We will let  $\mathcal{F} = \{T_1^{k_1} T_2^{k_2}, \dots, T_n^{k_n} : k_i \in \mathbb{Z}_+, i = 1, \dots, n\}$  be the semigroup generated by  $\mathcal{T}$ . For  $x \in X$ , the orbit of  $x$  under the tuple  $\mathcal{T}$  is the set  $Orb(\mathcal{T}, x) = \{Sx : S \in \mathcal{F}\}$ . A vector  $x$  is called a hypercyclic vector for  $\mathcal{T}$  if  $Orb(\mathcal{T}, x)$  is dense in  $X$  and in this case the tuple  $\mathcal{T}$  is called hypercyclic. Also, by  $\mathcal{T}_d^{(k)}$  we will refer to the set of all  $k$  copies of an element of  $\mathcal{F}$ , i.e.  $\mathcal{T}_d^{(k)} = \{S_1 \oplus \dots \oplus S_k : S_1 = \dots = S_k \in \mathcal{F}\}$ . We say that  $\mathcal{T}_d^{(k)}$  is hypercyclic provided there exist  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in X$  such that  $\{W(x_1 \oplus \dots \oplus x_k) : W \in \mathcal{T}_d^{(k)}\}$  is dense in the  $k$  copies of  $X$ ,  $X \oplus \dots \oplus X$ .

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For simplicity we state and prove our results for a pair that is a tuple with  $n = 2$ , and the general case follows by a similar method. Note that if  $T_1, T_2$  are commutative bounded linear operators on a Banach space  $X$ , and  $\{m_j\}, \{n_j\}$  are two sequences of natural numbers, then we say  $\{T_1^{m_j}T_2^{n_j} : j \geq 0\}$  is hypercyclic if there exists  $x \in X$  such that  $\{T_1^{m_j}T_2^{n_j}x : j \geq 0\}$  is dense in  $X$ .

**Definition 1.2.** We say that the pair  $\mathcal{T} = (T_1, T_2)$  is topologically transitive if for every nonempty open subsets  $U$  and  $V$  of  $X$  there exists  $S \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $S(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$ .

**Definition 1.3.** We say that a pair  $\mathcal{T} = (T_1, T_2)$  is hereditarily hypercyclic with respect to a pair of nonnegative increasing sequences  $(\{m_k\}, \{n_k\})$  of integers provided for all pair of subsequences  $(\{m_{k_j}\}, \{n_{k_j}\})$  of  $(\{m_k\}, \{n_k\})$ , the sequence  $\{T_1^{m_{k_j}}T_2^{n_{k_j}} : j \geq 1\}$  is hypercyclic. We say that a pair  $\mathcal{T}$  is hereditarily hypercyclic, if it is hereditarily hypercyclic with respect to a pair of nonnegative increasing sequences.

The formulation of the Hypercyclicity Criterion in the next section was given by N. S. Feldman ([4]). Here, we want to extend some properties of hypercyclic operators to a pair of commuting operators, and although the techniques work for any  $n$ -tuple of operators but for simplicity we prove our results only for the case  $n = 2$ . For some other topics we refer to [1–12].

## 2. Main Results

In this section we characterize the equivalent conditions for a pair of operators, satisfying the Hypercyclicity Criterion.

**Theorem 2.1.** (The Hypercyclicity Criterion for a Tuple) *Suppose  $X$  is a separable infinite dimensional Banach space and  $\mathcal{T} = (T_1, T_2)$  is a pair of continuous linear mappings on  $X$ . If there exist two dense subsets  $Y$  and  $Z$  in  $X$ , and a pair of strictly increasing sequences  $\{m_j\}$  and  $\{n_j\}$  such that:*

1.  $T_1^{m_j}T_2^{n_j} \rightarrow 0$  on  $Y$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ ,
2. *There exists a sequence of function  $\{S_j : Z \rightarrow X\}$  such that for every  $z \in Z$ ,  $S_j z \rightarrow 0$ , and  $T_1^{m_j}T_2^{n_j}S_j z \rightarrow z$ , then  $\mathcal{T}$  is a hypercyclic tuple.*

**Lemma 2.2.** (see [12]) *Let  $X$  be a separable infinite dimensional Banach space and  $\mathcal{T} = (T_1, T_2)$  be the pair of operators  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ . Then the followings are equivalent:*

- (i)  $\mathcal{T}$  is hypercyclic.

(ii) for all nonempty open subsets  $U, V$  in  $X$ , there exists a pair of sequences  $(\{m_k\}, \{n_k\})$  of integers such that  $T_1^{m_k}T_2^{n_k}(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$  for all  $k \geq 0$ .

(iii)  $\mathcal{T}$  is topologically transitive.

**Corollary 2.3.**  $\mathcal{T}_d^{(2)}$  is hypercyclic if and only if for given four nonempty open subsets  $U_1, U_2, V_1, V_2$  of  $X$ , there exists a pair of integers  $(m, n)$  such that the sets  $T_1^m T_2^n(U_1) \cap V_1$  and  $T_1^m T_2^n(U_2) \cap V_2$  are nonempty.

We will use  $HC(\mathcal{T})$  for the collection of hypercyclic vectors for the tuple  $\mathcal{T}$  of operators.

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be a pair of operators  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  on the an infinite dimensional Banach space  $X$ . Also, let  $T_i^*$  has no eigenvalues for  $i = 1, 2$ . Then the followings are equivalent:

(i)  $\mathcal{T}_d^{(2)}$  is hypercyclic.

(ii) for every nonempty open subsets  $U, V$  of  $X$ , there exists a pair of integers  $(m, n)$  such that  $T_1^m T_2^n(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$  and  $T_1^{m+1} T_2^{n+1}(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$ .

(iii) there exists a positive integer  $p$  such that for any nonempty open subsets  $U, V$  of  $X$ , there exists a pair of integers  $(m, n)$  such that  $T_1^m T_2^n(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$  and  $T_1^{m+p} T_2^{n+p}(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$ .

*Proof.* In Corollary 2.3, put  $U_1 = V_1 = U, U_2 = V$  and  $V_2 = T_1^{-1}T_2^{-1}V$ . Then the sets  $T_1^m T_2^n(U) \cap V$  and  $T_1^m T_2^n(U) \cap T_1^{-1}T_2^{-1}V$  are nonempty, from which we conclude that (i) implies (ii). By taking  $p = 1$ , we see that (ii) implies (iii). Now to prove that (iii) implies (i), consider four nonempty open subsets  $U_i, V_i, i = 1, 2$ . We want to find integers  $m$  and  $n$  such that the sets  $T_1^m T_2^n(U_1) \cap V_1$  and  $T_1^m T_2^n(U_2) \cap V_2$  to be nonempty. By Lemma 2.2,  $HC(\mathcal{T})$  is dense in  $X$ , thus there exists a vector  $v_1$  in  $V_1$  that is a hypercyclic vector of  $\mathcal{T}$ . Since  $U_1$  is open, there exists a pair of integers  $(m_1, n_1)$  such that  $T_1^{m_1} T_2^{n_1} v_1 = u_1$  is in  $U_1$ . Since  $T_i^*$  has no eigenvalues for  $i = 1, 2, T_1^{m_1} T_2^{n_1}$  has dense range and so it's range intersects  $U_2$ . Thus there exists  $u_2 \in U$  such that  $u_2 = T_1^{m_1} T_2^{n_1} w_2$  for some  $w_2 \in X$ . Let  $v_2$  be any element of  $V_2$  and choose  $\delta > 0$  such that  $B(v_2, \delta) \subset V_2$  and  $B(u_2, \delta) \subset U_2$ . Since  $(T_1^p T_2^p - 1)$  has dense range and  $v_1$  is a hypercyclic vector for  $\mathcal{T}$ , thus clearly  $(T_1^p T_2^p - 1)v_1$  is also a hypercyclic vector for  $\mathcal{T}$ . So there exists a pair of integers  $(p_1, q_1)$  such that

$$\|T_1^{p_1} T_2^{q_1} (T_1^p T_2^p - 1)v_1 - (v_2 - w_2)\| < \frac{\delta}{2\|T_1^{m_1} T_2^{n_1}\|},$$

and also there exists a pair of integers  $(p_2, q_2)$  such that

$$\|T_1^{p_2} T_2^{q_2} v_1 - (v_2 - T_1^{p_1} T_2^{q_1} v_1)\| < \frac{\delta}{2\|T_1^{m_1} T_2^{n_1}\|}.$$

Now consider the vector  $z_2 = T_1^{p_2}T_2^{q_2}u_1 + T_1^{p_1+p}T_2^{q_1+p}u_1$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|z_2 - u_2\| &= \|z_2 - T_1^{m_1}T_2^{n_1}w_2\| \\ &= \|T_1^{m_1}T_2^{n_1}(T_1^{p_2}T_2^{q_2}v_1 + T_1^{p_1+p}T_2^{q_1+p}v_1) - w_2\| \\ &\leq \|T_1^{m_1}T_2^{n_1}\| \|T_1^{p_2}T_2^{q_2}v_1 - (v_2 - T_1^{p_1}T_2^{q_1}v_1)\| \\ &\quad + \|v_2 - T_1^{p_1}T_2^{q_1}v_1 + T_1^{p_1+p}T_2^{q_1+p}v_1 - w_2\| \\ &< \frac{\delta}{2} + \frac{\delta}{2} = \delta. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $B(u_2, \delta) \subset U_2$ , we get  $z_2 \in U_2$  and by the same way we can see that  $y_2 = T_1^{p_2}T_2^{q_2}v_1 + T_1^{p_1}T_2^{q_1}v_1$  is in  $V_2$ . We now apply the condition (iii) of the Theorem to the pairs of open sets  $(U_k, V_k)$  with  $U_k = B(u_1, 2^{-k})$  and  $V_k = B(v_1, 2^{-k})$ . Thus there exists a pair of sequences  $(\{m_k\}, \{n_k\})$  of integers such that  $T_1^{m_k}T_2^{n_k}(U_k) \cap V_k \neq \emptyset$  and  $T_1^{m_k+p}T_2^{n_k+p}(U_k) \cap V_k \neq \emptyset$ . Thus, there exist the elements  $u_k$  and  $u'_k$  in  $U_k$  such that  $T_1^{m_k}T_2^{n_k}u_k \in V_k$  and  $T_1^{m_k+p}T_2^{n_k+p}u'_k \in V_k$ . Therefore, the sequences  $\{u_k\}, \{u'_k\}$  converges to  $u_1$ , and the sequences  $\{T_1^{m_k}T_2^{n_k}u_k\}, \{T_1^{m_k+p}T_2^{n_k+p}u'_k\}$  converges to  $v_1$ . Hence  $T_1^{m_k}T_2^{n_k}(T_1^{p_2}T_2^{q_2}u_k + T_1^{p_1+p}T_2^{q_1+p}u'_k)$  converges to  $T_1^{p_2}T_2^{q_2}v_1 + T_1^{p_1}T_2^{q_1}v_1$  which is equal to  $y_2$ . But  $y_2 \in V_2$  that is open, thus there exists an integer  $k_0$  such that  $T_1^{m_k}T_2^{n_k}(T_1^{p_2}T_2^{q_2}u_k + T_1^{p_1+p}T_2^{q_1+p}u'_k) \in V_2$  for all  $k \geq k_0$ . Note that since  $u_k, u'_k \rightarrow u_1$ , thus  $T_1^{p_2}T_2^{q_2}u_k + T_1^{p_1+p}T_2^{q_1+p}u'_k$  converges to  $T_1^{p_2}T_2^{q_2}u_1 + T_1^{p_1+p}T_2^{q_1+p}u_1$  which is equal to  $z_2$ . Since  $U_2$  is open and  $z_2 \in U_2$ , thus there exists  $k_1 > k_0$  such that  $T_1^{p_2}T_2^{q_2}u_k + T_1^{p_1+p}T_2^{q_1+p}u'_k \in U_2$  for all  $k > k_1$ . This implies that  $T_1^{m_k}T_2^{n_k}(U_2) \cap V_2 \neq \emptyset$ . Moreover, since  $u_k \rightarrow u_1 \in U_1$  and  $T_1^{m_k}T_2^{n_k}u_k \rightarrow v_1 \in V_1$ , thus there exists  $k_2 > 0$  such that  $T_1^{m_k}T_2^{n_k}u_k \in T_1^{m_k}T_2^{n_k}(U_1) \cap V_1$  for all  $k > k_2$ . Put  $k_3 = \max\{k_1, k_2\}$ . Thus for  $k > k_3$  we have  $T_1^{m_k}T_2^{n_k}(U_i) \cap V_i \neq \emptyset$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

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