

C in Complex \mathcal{PT} -symmetry

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Abstract We propose a model \mathcal{PT} - symmetry operator(H) in the form of (2x2) matrix and find corresponding charge operator (C) such that it satisfies all the necessary appropriate commutation relations $[H, \mathcal{PT}] = 0; [H, C] = 0; [C, \mathcal{PT}] = 0$ and $[H, C\mathcal{PT}] = 0$ in order to justify a model in complex quantum system like that to preserve the necessary conditions in Hilbert space.

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1 Introduction

In order to extend the horizon of understanding quantum mechanics in complex space Bender, Brody and Jones [1] introduced that all the complex \mathcal{PT} invariant operators must satisfy the relations

$$[H, \mathcal{PT}] = 0 \quad (1)$$

and

$$[H, C\mathcal{PT}] = 0 \quad (2)$$

so that one can easily understand the properties of vectors in Hilbert spaces similar to that of Hermitian operator. Accordingly authors [1] proposed a four parameter operator in the form of (2x2) matrix as

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} r e^{i\theta} & s \\ t = s & r e^{-i\theta} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

and its corresponding charge conjugation operator [1] (which is valid for $s=t$ only, see erratum[1]).

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} i \tan \alpha & \sec \alpha \\ \sec \alpha & -i \tan \alpha \end{bmatrix} \quad (4)$$

where α and θ are related as

$$\sin \alpha = \frac{r}{\sqrt{st}} \sin \theta \quad (5)$$

BBJ[1] claim that H and C are **always** commutative .

$$[H, C] = 0 \quad (6)$$

We believe that the purpose of previous work [1] is to suggest CPT analysis on any non-Hermitian operator, that can include their Hamiltonian [1]

$$H_{x,p} = p^2 + x^2 (ix)^\nu (\nu = i, 3, 5, 7..) \quad (7)$$

However, a critical analysis reveals that the Hamiltonian in Eq(7) when converted in to matrix form one will notice the following

$$H_{x,p} = \begin{bmatrix} H_D & H_N & \dots \\ H_N & H_D & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix} \quad (8)$$

Explicitly using the second quantisation formalism one will find that[2,3]

$$H_D = \frac{(2a^\dagger a + 1)}{2} \quad (9)$$

and

$$H_N = \frac{i^\nu}{(\sqrt{2})^{\nu+2}} [a + a^\dagger]_N^{\nu+2} \quad (10)$$

where N stands for normal ordering and

$$[a, a^\dagger] = i \quad (11)$$

$$a|n\rangle = \sqrt{n}|n-1\rangle \quad (12)$$

$$a^\dagger|n\rangle = \sqrt{n+1}|n+1\rangle \quad (13)$$

$$[a, a^\dagger] = i \quad (14)$$

where a stands for annihilation operator and a^\dagger stands for the creation operator. (for details see the second quantisation algebra[2,3]). One can easily verify that diagonal terms reflect unequal real values. However ignoring this authors [1] have suggested a new PT-symmetry model, where diagonal terms are complex and non-diagonal terms are real. Anyway we proposed a model non-Hermitian matrix model, where diagonal terms are real and non-diagonal terms are imaginary. Here our aim is to calculate the charge conjugation operator satisfying the commutative behaviour[4].

2 Model PT-symmetry

Motivated by this work we present a simple model using an arbitrary matrix as

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 3i \\ 3i & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (15)$$

and notice that above model will be suited to physical Hamiltonian understanding requirements of Hilbert spaces. In order to show that above model is a PT-symmetric we define P as [1]

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (16)$$

and the corresponding time-reversal T can be expressed considering antilinear property as

$$T = \Gamma K_0 \quad (17)$$

where K_0 is an anti-unitary and

$$\Gamma = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & i \\ i & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (18)$$

is unitary. Further interested reader will see that $\Gamma^\dagger = \Gamma^{-1} = \Gamma^*$. It is easy to verify that

$$[H, PT] = 0 \quad (19)$$

The eigenvalue relation for the above operator can be written as

$$H\Phi = \lambda_1\Phi \quad (20)$$

$$H\Psi = \lambda_2\Psi \quad (21)$$

Here eigenvalues of H are $\lambda_{1,2}$ and corresponding eigenfunctions are (Φ, Ψ) as reflected above. This can be written as

$$H\Phi \rightarrow \frac{2072}{271} = \begin{bmatrix} \phi_1 = \frac{2542}{2789} \\ \phi_2 = \frac{518i}{1259} \end{bmatrix} \quad (22)$$

and

$$H\Psi \rightarrow \frac{1801}{765} = \begin{bmatrix} \psi_1 = \frac{-518i}{1259} \\ \psi_2 = \frac{2542}{2789} \end{bmatrix} \tag{23}$$

Further we notice that wave functions are normalised to unit but non-orthogonal in nature, i.e.

$$\langle \Phi | \Phi \rangle = 1 \tag{24}$$

$$\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle = 1 \tag{25}$$

and

$$\langle \Psi | \Phi \rangle \neq 0; \langle \Phi | \Psi \rangle \neq 0 \tag{26}$$

Hence the important relation

$$|\phi_1 \rangle \langle \phi_1| + |\phi_2 \rangle \langle \phi_2| \neq I \tag{27}$$

or

$$|\psi_1 \rangle \langle \psi_1| + |\psi_2 \rangle \langle \psi_2| \neq I \tag{28}$$

is no longer satisfied.

3 C Operator

For the above Hamiltonian (2x2 matrix) we find the charge operator (2x2 matrix) as[4]

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{765}{506} & \frac{2024i}{1785} \\ \frac{2024i}{1785} & -\frac{765}{506} \end{bmatrix} \tag{29}$$

Further we notice that

$$[H, C] = 0 \tag{30}$$

$$[C, PT] = 0 \tag{31}$$

and

$$[H, CPT] = 0 \tag{32}$$

More interestingly

$$C|\Phi \rangle = +1|\Phi \rangle \tag{33}$$

and

$$C|\Psi \rangle = -1|\Psi \rangle \tag{34}$$

4 Conclusion

Before we draw a conclusion in the present analysis, we would like to state that non-orthogonal character on wave functions in non-hermitian operator was reported earlier by Lee, Hsich, Flammia and Lee [5]. Present results are in conformity with the previous work [5]. Interestingly previous authors[5] did not say anything about complete set of eigenfunction[6], however we reflect it here. In this context we would like to state that in the case of Harmonic oscillator under simultaneous transformation[5,6] of co-ordinate and momentum wave functions are normalised, orthogonal and satisfy closure property[6,7] using perturbation theory. Hence we conclude that all \mathcal{PT} -invariant operators can not be member of Hilbert space preserving the behaviour of Hermiticity. However, a few of them deserve similar behaviour like that of Hermitian operator.

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