

ON A CERTAIN CLASS OF CARLEMAN OPERATORS

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ABSTRACT.

The Carleman integral operators play an important role in spectral theory of self-adjoint operators and have been the subject of several works such as G. I. Targonski ([14], [15]), V.B.Korotkov ([7] – [10]), M. Schreiber [13], Weidmann ([17] – [19]), J.J. Grobler [6], and recently Novitski ([11], [12]). Obtaining explicit spectral development in specific cases such as differential operators, integral, integral differential ... etc. is an important research area. The work presented here is devoted to the study of spectral properties of a certain class of Carleman integral operators (the second class) in the Hilbert space $L_2(X, \mu)$. Such operators have their applications in approximation theory of random variables.

In a first article [1], we introduced in the Hilbert space $L_2(X, \mu)$ an example of integral operators of Carleman second class defined by the kernel

$$(0.1) \quad K(x, y) = \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} a_p \psi_p(x) \overline{\psi_p(y)},$$

with $\{a_p\}_{p=0}^{\infty}$ is a sequence of real numbers and $\{\psi_p(x)\}_{p=0}^{\infty}$ an orthonormal sequence in $L_2(X, \mu)$ verifying for almost all $x \in X$

$$(0.2) \quad \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} a_p^2 |\psi_p(x)|^2 < \infty,$$

$$(0.3) \quad \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} |\psi_p(x)|^2 < \infty.$$

Then we showed the selfadjointness criterion. We have determined the necessary and sufficient conditions for these operators admit selfadjoint extensions (i.e., with defect indices equal and finite). We have concluded this article by showing a practical application of such operators.

In a second article [2], we used the Straus theory [16] to describe all generalized resolvents of an Carleman operator with defect indices (1.1) in terms of a certain set of admissible analytic functions $\omega(\lambda)$. Then we describe all the generalized spectral functions of these operators in terms of another set of eligible analytic functions $\omega(\lambda)$. In addition, orthogonal spectral functions (i.e., those of selfadjoint extensions) are described by constant functions $\omega(\lambda) = \varkappa$ such that $|\varkappa| = 1$.

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The third article [4], is devoted primarily to the characterization of the convex hull of orthogonal scalar spectral functions of a Carleman operator with defect indices (1.1).

This description allowed us, in a fourth article [5], to study the spectrum of quasi selfadjoint extensions of the same operator.

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