



# A NOTE ON THE REPRESENTATIONS FOR THE GENERALIZED DRAZIN INVERSE OF BLOCK MATRICES\*



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**Abstract** We present some representations for the generalized Drazin inverse of a block matrix  $x = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  in a Banach algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  in terms of  $a^d$  and  $(bc)^d$  under certain conditions, extending some recent result related to the generalized Drazin inverse of an anti-triangular operator matrix. Also, several particular cases of this result are considered.

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a complex unital Banach algebra with unit 1. For  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ , we denote by  $\sigma(a)$  the spectrum of  $a$ . The sets of all invertible, nilpotent and quasinilpotent elements ( $\sigma(a) = \{0\}$ ) of  $\mathcal{A}$  will be denoted by  $\mathcal{A}^{-1}$ ,  $\mathcal{A}^{\text{nil}}$  and  $\mathcal{A}^{\text{qnil}}$ , respectively.

Let us recall that the generalized Drazin inverse of  $a \in \mathcal{A}$  (or Koliha–Drazin inverse of  $a$ ) is the unique element  $a^d \in \mathcal{A}$  which satisfies

$$aa^da^d = a^d, \quad aa^d = a^da, \quad a - a^2a^d \in \mathcal{A}^{\text{qnil}}.$$

The generalized Drazin inverse  $a^d$  exists if and only if  $0 \notin \text{acc } \sigma(a)$  (see [1]). It is well-known that  $a^\pi = 1 - aa^d$  is the spectral idempotent of  $a$  corresponding to the set  $\{0\}$ . We use  $\mathcal{A}^d$  to denote the set of all generalized Drazin invertible elements of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

If the element  $a - a^2a^d$  is nilpotent in the above definition, then  $a^d$  is ordinary Drazin inverse. The group inverse, denoted by  $a^\#$ , is a special case of the Drazin inverse for which  $a - a^2a^d \in \mathcal{A}^{\text{nil}}$  is nilpotent is replaced with  $a = aa^da$ . By  $\mathcal{A}^\#$  will be denoted the set of all group invertible elements of  $\mathcal{A}$ . In this paper we agree that  $a^0 = 1$ ,  $0^k = 0$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^{n-j} \star = 0$  for  $n \leq j$ , where  $k, j, n \in \mathbf{N}$ .

The following result is well-known for matrices [2, Theorem 2.1], for bounded linear operators [3, Theorem 2.3] and for elements of Banach algebra [4].

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**Lemma 1.1** ([4, Example 4.5]) Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d$  and let  $ab = 0$ . Then  $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^d$  and

$$(a + b)^d = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (b^d)^{n+1} a^n a^\pi + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b^\pi b^n (a^d)^{n+1}.$$

If  $p = p^2 \in \mathcal{A}$  is an idempotent, we can represent element  $a \in \mathcal{A}$  as

$$a = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $a_{11} = pap$ ,  $a_{12} = pa(1-p)$ ,  $a_{21} = (1-p)ap$ ,  $a_{22} = (1-p)a(1-p)$ .

We present well-known result on the generalized Drazin inverse of a triangular block matrix.

**Lemma 1.2** ([4, Theorem 2.3]) Let

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ c & b \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{A}$$

relative to the idempotent  $p \in \mathcal{A}$ . If  $a \in (pAp)^d$  and  $b \in ((1-p)\mathcal{A}(1-p))^d$ , then  $x \in \mathcal{A}^d$  and

$$x^d = \begin{bmatrix} a^d & 0 \\ u & b^d \end{bmatrix},$$

where

$$u = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (b^d)^{n+2} ca^n a^\pi + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b^\pi b^n c (a^d)^{n+2} - b^d ca^d.$$

We state the auxiliary results which are proved for matrices [5] and Banach space operators [6], and they are equally true for elements of Banach algebras.

**Lemma 1.3** Let  $p \in \mathcal{A}$  be an idempotent,  $b \in p\mathcal{A}(1-p)$  and  $c \in (1-p)\mathcal{A}p$ . If  $bc \in (pAp)^d$ , then  $cb \in ((1-p)\mathcal{A}(1-p))^d$ ,  $(cb)^d = c[(bc)^d]^2 b$  and  $b(cb)^d = (bc)^d b$ .

**Lemma 1.4** Let  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & b \\ c & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{A}$  relative to the idempotent  $p \in \mathcal{A}$ . Then  $x \in \mathcal{A}^d$  if and only if  $bc \in (pAp)^d$  (or  $cb \in ((1-p)\mathcal{A}(1-p))^d$ ). In this case,

$$x^d = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & (bc)^d b \\ c(bc)^d & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & b(cb)^d \\ (cb)^d c & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Properties of the Drazin inverse of an operator or a matrix and its applications to singular differential equations and singular difference equations, iterative methods, Markov chains can be found in [7]. Campbell and Meyer [7] proposed the problem of finding an explicit representation for the Drazin inverse of a  $2 \times 2$  block matrix  $M = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}$  in terms of its sub-blocks, where  $A$  and  $D$  are required to be square matrices. Many authors have considered this problem, under different conditions on the individual blocks [2, 8–13].

In [6], several formulae for the generalized Drazin inverse of an anti-triangular operator matrix  $M = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  are given under some conditions on Banach spaces operators  $A, B, C$ .

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