

# Additive results for $g\pi$ -Hirano inverses in Banach algebras

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## Abstract

An element  $a$  in a Banach algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  has generalized  $\pi$ -Hirano inverse if there exists  $b \in \mathcal{A}$  such that

$$b = bab, ab = ba, a^n - ab \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil} \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

New additive results for the generalized  $\pi$ -Hirano inverse of an element in a Banach algebra are presented. Applications to operator matrices are thereby obtained.

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## 1 Introduction

Throughout the paper,  $X$  is a Banach space,  $\mathcal{L}(X)$  is a Banach algebra of bounded linear operators on  $X$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  denotes an arbitrary Banach algebra.  $U(\mathcal{A})$  is the set of all units in  $\mathcal{A}$ . The commutant of  $a \in \mathcal{A}$  is defined by  $\{x \in \mathcal{A} \mid xa = ax\}$  and is denoted by  $comm(a)$ . Following Koliha [12], an element  $a$  in  $\mathcal{A}$  has  $g$ -Drazin inverse if there exists  $b \in \mathcal{A}$  such that,  $ab = ba, b = bab$  and  $a - a^2b \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ . Here,  $\mathcal{A}^{qnil} = \{a \in \mathcal{A} \mid 1 - ax \in U(\mathcal{A}) \text{ for any } x \in comm(a)\}$  and it is the set of all quasinilpotent elements in  $\mathcal{A}$ . As is well known (see [11, Theorem 9.5.3]),

$$a \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil} \Leftrightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|a^n\|^{\frac{1}{n}} = 0$$

The preceding  $b$ , if exists, is unique, and is denoted by  $a^d$ . We call  $a^d$  the  $g$ -Drazin inverse of  $a$ , use  $\mathcal{A}^d$  to denote the set of all elements have  $g$ -Drazin inverses in  $\mathcal{A}$ . It was proved that  $a \in \mathcal{A}^d$  if and only if there exists an idempotent  $p \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $ap = pa$ ,  $a + p$  is invertible and  $ap \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ , i.e.,  $a \in \mathcal{A}$  is quasipolar (see [13, Theorem 4.2]). The element  $a^\pi = 1 - aa^d$  is called the spectral idempotent of  $a$ .

An element  $a \in \mathcal{A}$  has  $gs$ -Drazin inverse if there exists  $b \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $b = bab, ab = ba$  and  $a - ab \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ , (see [3]). Equivalently, an element  $a$  in a Banach algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  has  $gs$ -Drazin inverse if and only if it can be written as the sum of an idempotent and a quasinilpotent that commute. The  $gs$ -Drazin inverse is unique if exists and the  $gs$ -Drazin inverse of  $a$  is denoted by  $a^{gs}$ .  $\mathcal{A}^{gs}$  stands for the set of all  $gs$ -Drazin invertible elements in  $\mathcal{A}$ . Also an element  $a$

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in  $\mathcal{A}$  has g-Hirano inverse if there exists  $b \in \mathcal{A}$  such that,  $ab = ba, b = bab$  and  $a^2 - ab \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ , [4]. In this paper we introduce a generalization of generalized Hirano inverse, called generalized  $\pi$ -Hirano inverse ( $g\pi$ H-inverse in short) that is, an element  $a$  in a Banach algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  has generalized  $\pi$ -Hirano inverse if there exists  $b \in \mathcal{A}$  such that

$$b = bab, ab = ba, a^n - ab \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil} \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

This inverse is unique if exists and will be denoted by  $a^{g\pi H}$  and  $\mathcal{A}^{g\pi H}$  stands for the set of all generalized  $\pi$ -Hirano invertible elements in  $\mathcal{A}$ .

In Section 2, we present new conditions on two elements  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^{g\pi H}$  under which  $a + b$  in  $\mathcal{A}$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse. In Section 3, we consider the  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse of a  $2 \times 2$  operator matrix

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $A \in \mathcal{L}(X), B \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y), C \in \mathcal{L}(Y, X), D \in \mathcal{L}(Y)$  have  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverses and  $X, Y$  are complex Banach spaces. Here,  $M$  is a bounded operator on  $X \oplus Y$ . The g-Drazin and g-Hirano inverses of such linear operator matrices were extensively studied (See [4, 5, 6, 16] respectively). We present the  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse for a  $2 \times 2$  operator matrix  $M$  under a number of different conditions, which generalize [21, Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 2.2]. Now we will state some auxiliary lemmas.

**Lemma 1.1.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a Banach algebra, and let  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ . Then the following are equivalent:

- (1)  $a$  has  $gs$ -Drazin inverse;
- (2) There exists  $e^2 = e \in \text{comm}(a)$  such that  $a - e \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ ;
- (3)  $a - a^2 \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ . In this case,  $a^{gs} = a^d$ .

**Proof .** See [10, Theorem 3.2], [3, Theorem 3.2].  $\square$

**Lemma 1.2.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a Banach algebra, and let  $a, b, c \in \mathcal{A}$ . If  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}$  have g-Drazin inverses, then  $\begin{pmatrix} a & c \\ 0 & b \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathcal{A})$  has g-Drazin inverse.

**Proof .** See [9, Lemma 2.2].  $\square$

**Lemma 1.3.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a Banach algebra, and let  $a, b, c \in \mathcal{A}$ . If  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}$  have  $gs$ -Drazin inverses, then  $\begin{pmatrix} a & c \\ 0 & b \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathcal{A})$  has  $gs$ -Drazin inverse.

**Proof .** This is obvious by Lemma 1.2 and Lemma 1.1.  $\square$

## 2 Additive results

The purpose of this section is to establish the new results for the  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse of the  $a + b$  which will be used in the sequel. We begin with the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ . If  $ab^2 = 0, aba = 0$  then  $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ .

**Proof .** Since  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ , we see that,  $a, b$  has g-Drazin inverse and  $a^d = 0, b^d = 0$ . In view of [20, Theorem 2.1], we see that  $(a + b)^d = 0$ . Therefore,  $a + b = (a + b) - (a + b)^2(a + b)^d \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^{gs}$ . If  $a^3b = 0, bab = 0$  and  $ba^2b = 0$ , then  $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{g\pi H}$ .

**Proof .** Set

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} a^3 + a^2b + aba + ab^2 & a^2b^2 + ab^3 \\ a^2 + ab + ba + b^2 & a^2b + ab^2 + b^3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then,

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} a^2b + aba + ab^2 & a^2b^2 + ab^3 \\ 0 & a^2b + ab^2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} a^3 & 0 \\ a^2 + ab + ba + b^2 & b^3 \end{pmatrix} \\ := G + F.$$

We see that  $G^2 = 0$  and  $FGF = 0$ . Moreover, we have,

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} a^3 & 0 \\ a^2 + ab + ba + b^2 & b^3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a^3 & 0 \\ a^2 + ba & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ b^2 + ab & b^3 \end{pmatrix} \\ := H + K.$$

It is easily verified that,

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} a^3 & 0 \\ a^2 + ba & b^3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a^2 \\ a + b \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since  $\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ a + b \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a^2 \\ a + b \end{pmatrix} = a^3$ , by [2, Lemma 3.1],  $a^3 \in \mathcal{A}^{gs}$ , it follows by Cline's formula that  $H$  has gs-Drazin inverse, see [3, Corollary 2.5]. Also we have

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ b^2 + ab & b^3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ b^2 + ab & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b^3 \end{pmatrix} = K_1 + K_2,$$

where  $K_1$  is nilpotent, hence it is gs-Drazin invertible and  $b^3$  is gs-Drazin invertible, so  $K_2$  is gs-Drazin invertible, and  $K_1K_2 = K_2K_1 = 0$  so  $K$  has gs-Drazin inverse. Clearly,  $HK = 0$ , by [3, Corollary 3.3]  $F$  has gs-Drazin inverse.

$$M = \left( \begin{pmatrix} a \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \end{pmatrix} \right)^3 \\ = \begin{pmatrix} a & ab \\ 1 & b \end{pmatrix}^3 \\ = \begin{pmatrix} a & ab \\ 1 & b \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & ab \\ 1 & b \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & ab \\ 1 & b \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} a^2 + ab & a^2b + ab^2 \\ a + b & ab + b^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & ab \\ 1 & b \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} (a^2 + ab)a + a^2b + ab^2 & (a^2 + ab)ab + (a^2 + ab^2)b \\ a^2 + ba + ab + b^2 & a^2b + bab + ab^2 + b^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

By using  $a^3b = bab = ba^2b = 0$ , we have,

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & ab \\ 1 & b \end{pmatrix}^3 = \begin{pmatrix} a^3 + aba + a^2b + ab^2 & a^3b + abab + a^2b^2 + ab^3 \\ a^2 + ba + ab + b^2 & a^2b + bab + ab^2 + b^3 \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} a^3 + aba + a^2b + ab^2 & a^2b^2 + ab^3 \\ a^2 + ba + ab + b^2 & a^2b + ab^2 + b^3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

It follows that  $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \end{pmatrix}$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse, then by Cline's formula  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ a & 1 \end{pmatrix} = a + b$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.3.** Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^{gs}$ . If  $ab = ba = 0$ , then  $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{gs}$

**Proof .** This is obvious by Theorem 2.2.  $\square$

In [20], Wang et al. considered the g-Drazin inverse of  $P + Q$  under the conditions that  $Q^2P + QP^2 = 0, PQP = 0$  and  $QPQ = 0$  for bounded linear operators P and Q. We now extend this result to  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse in a Banach algebra.

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^{gs}$ . If  $a^2b + ab^2 = 0, ab^3 = 0$  and  $aba = 0$ , then  $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{g\pi H}$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Proof .** Set

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} & a^3 & 0 \\ a^2 + ab + ba + b^2 & & bab + b^3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & bab \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} & a^3 & 0 \\ a^2 + ab + ba + b^2 & & b^3 \end{pmatrix} \\ := F + G.$$

We see that  $F^3 = 0$  and by hypothesis, we easily check that,

$$F^3G = 0, GFG = 0, GF^2G = 0.$$

As in the proof Theorem 2.2,  $G$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse. Since  $F$  is nilpotent, it has  $gs$ -Drazin inverse, by Theorem 2.2,  $M$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse. Similary to the proof in Theorem 2.2,  $a + b$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.5.** Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^{gs}$ . If  $ab = 0$ , then  $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{gs}$ .

**Proof .** This is obvious by Theorem 2.4.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.6.** Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ . If  $aba = 0, bab = 0, a^2b^2 = 0$  and  $ab^3 = 0$ , then  $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ .

**Proof .** Set

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} a^3 + a^2b + ab^2 & a^3b \\ a^2 + ab + ba + b^2 & a^2b + ab^2 + b^3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then,

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} a^2b + ab^2 & a^3b \\ 0 & a^2b + ab^2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} & a^3 & 0 \\ a^2 + ab + ba + b^2 & & b^3 \end{pmatrix} \\ := G + F.$$

We see that  $G^4 = 0$  and  $GF = 0$ . Since  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^d$ , it follows by [12, Theorem 5.4] that  $a^3, b^3 \in \mathcal{A}^d$ . By virtue of Lemma 1.2,  $F$  has  $g$ -Drazin inverse. According to [4, Theorem 2.2],  $M$  has  $g$ -Drazin inverse. In light of [4, Theorem 2.2],  $(a + b)^d = 0$ . This implies that  $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.7.** Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^{gs}$ . If  $aba = 0, bab = 0, a^2b^2 = 0$  and  $ab^3 = 0$ , then  $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{g\pi H}$ .

**Proof .** Set

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} a^3 + a^2b + ab^2 & a^3b \\ a^2 + ab + ba + b^2 & a^2b + ab^2 + b^3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then,

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} a^2b + ab^2 & a^3b \\ 0 & a^2b + ab^2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} & a^3 & 0 \\ a^2 + ab + ba + b^2 & & b^3 \end{pmatrix} \\ := G + F.$$

We see that  $G^4 = 0$  and  $GF = 0$ . Moreover, we have,

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} & a^3 & 0 \\ a^2 + ab + ba + b^2 & & b^3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} & a^3 & 0 \\ a^2 + ba & & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ b^2 + ab & b^3 \end{pmatrix} \\ := H + K.$$

It is easily verified that

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} a^3 & 0 \\ a^2 + ba & b^3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a^2 \\ a + b \end{pmatrix} (a \ 0).$$

Since  $(a \ 0) \begin{pmatrix} a^2 \\ a + b \end{pmatrix} = a^3 \in \mathcal{A}^{g\pi}$ -H it follows by Clin's formula that  $H$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse, (See [3, Corollary 2.5]).

Similarly,  $K$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse. Clearly,  $HK = 0$ , by Corollary 2.5,  $F$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse. As  $G^{gs} = 0$  by Corollary 2.5, again,  $M$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse, obviously  $M = \left( \begin{pmatrix} a \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} (1 \ b) \right)^3$ , it follows that  $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} (1 \ b)$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse, then by Cline's formula that  $(1 \ b) \begin{pmatrix} a \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = a + b$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.8.** Let  $a, b \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ . If  $a^2b = 0$  and  $bab = 0$ , then  $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ .

**Proof .** Let  $x = b^2 + ab$  and  $y = ba + a^2$ . Then  $(b + a)^2 = x + y$ . Clearly,  $a^2, ba, ab, b^2 \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ . Since  $b^2(ab) = 0$  and  $a^2(ba) = 0$ , it follows by [4, Lemma 3.2] that  $x, y \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ . Moreover,  $yx = (ba + a^2)b^2 + (b + a)a^2b = 0$ , and so  $x + y \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$  by [4, Lemma 3.2]. Therefore  $a + b \in \mathcal{A}^{qnil}$ , as asserted.  $\square$

**Example 2.9.** Let

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I \\ I & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, Q = \begin{pmatrix} -I & -I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -I \\ I & I & I \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $I$  is the identity operator on a Banach space  $X$ . Here  $P, Q$  has gs-Drazin inverse and  $P^2Q + PQ^2 = 0, PQ^3 = 0$  and  $PQP = 0$ . Then by Theorem 2.4,  $P + Q$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverses but  $QPQ \neq 0$ .

### 3 Splitting approach

To illustrate the preceding results, we are concerned with the  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse for a operator matrix. Here the operator matrix  $M$  is

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $A \in \mathcal{L}(X)^{gs}, D \in \mathcal{L}(Y)^{gs}, B \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$  and  $C \in \mathcal{L}(Y, X)$ . Using different splitting approach, we will obtain various conditions for the  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse of  $M$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** If  $A^2BC = 0, A^2BD = 0, CBC = 0, CBD = 0, CABC = 0$  and  $CABD = 0$ , then  $M$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse.

**Proof .** Let  $p = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $M = p + q$ . By Lemma 1.3, it is obvious that  $p, q$  have  $g\pi$ -Hirano invertible. Now we have

$$p^3q = \begin{pmatrix} A^2BC & A^2BD \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$qpq = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ CBC & CBD \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Also

$$qp^2q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ CABC & CABD \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then by Theorem 2.2,  $M$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.2.** If  $ABC = 0, ABD = 0, CBC = 0$  and  $CBD = 0$ , then  $M$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse.

**Proof .** This is obvious by Theorem 3.1.□

Regarding a complex matrix as the operator matrix on  $\mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}$ , we now show that Corollary 3.2, is a non-trivial generalization of [7, Theorem 2].

**Example 3.3.** Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

be complex matrices and set

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

$$ABC = 0, ABD = 0, CBC = 0, CBD = 0.$$

In view of Corollary 3.2,  $M$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse but  $BC \neq 0$  and  $BD \neq 0$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** If  $A^3B = 0, CA^2B = 0, BCB = 0, DCB = 0, BCAB = 0$  and  $DCAB = 0$ , then  $M$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse.

**Proof .** Let  $p = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ C & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $M = p + q$ . It is clear that,  $p$  and  $q$  have gs-Drazin inverses. Now we have

$$p^3q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^3B \\ 0 & CA^2B \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$qpq = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & BCB \\ 0 & DCB \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Also

$$qp^2q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & BCAB \\ 0 & DCAB \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then by Theorem 2.2,  $M$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse.□

**Corollary 3.5.** If  $A^2B = 0, BCB = 0, DCB = 0$  and  $CAB = 0$ , then  $M$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse.

**Proof .** It is a special case of Theorem 3.4.□

**Theorem 3.6.** If  $(A^2 + BC)BD = 0, CABD = 0, DCBD = 0, ABC = 0$  and  $CBC = 0$ , then  $M$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse.

**Proof .** Let  $p = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $M = p + q$ . Since  $ABC = 0, CBC = 0$ , it follows by Corollary 3.2, that  $p$  has gs-Drazin inverse. By Lemma 1.3,  $q$  has gs-Drazin inverse. Now we have,

$$p^3q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^2BD + BCBD \\ 0 & CABD \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$qpq = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Also

$$qp^2q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & DCBD \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then by Theorem 2.2,  $M$  has  $g\pi$ -Hirano inverse.□

**Corollary 3.7.** If  $BC = 0, BD = 0$ , then  $M$  has gπ-Hirano inverse.

**Proof .** This is clear by Theorem 3.6.  $\square$

We are now ready to prove:

**Theorem 3.8.** If  $A^3B = 0, CAB = 0, CA^2B = 0, BCB = 0$  and  $DCB = 0$ , then  $M$  has gπ-Hirano inverse.

**Proof .** Let  $p = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $M = p + q$ . Clearly,  $p$  has gs-Drazin inverse. Since  $CBC = 0$  and  $CBD = 0$ , it follows by Corollary 3.5,  $q$  has g-Dazin inverse. We check that

$$p^3q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A^3B \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$qpq = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & CAB \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Also

$$qp^2q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & CA^2B \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

According to Theorem 2.2,  $M$  has gπ-Hirano inverse.  $\square$

As an immediate consequence of Theorem 3.8, we now derive

**Corollary 3.9.** If  $AB = 0$  and  $CB = 0$ , then  $M$  has gπ-Hirano inverse.

**Example 3.10.** Let  $M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$ , where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, C = (1 \ 0 \ 1), D = 0,$$

be complex matrices. Then

$$A^3B = 0, CAB = 0, CA^2B = 0, BCB = 0, DCB = 0.$$

By Theorem 3.8,  $M$  has gπ-Hirano inverse, but  $AB \neq 0$  and  $CB \neq 0$ .

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