# Generalized shift operators on $\ell^{\infty}$

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Abstract: In the following text we study the compactness of generalized shift operator on  $\ell^{\infty}(\tau)$ .

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## 1. Introduction

One-sided shift  $\{1, \dots, k\}^{\mathbf{N}} \rightarrow \{1, \dots, k\}^{\mathbf{N}}$  and two-sided  $(x_1, x_2, \dots) \mapsto (x_2, x_3, \dots)$ 

shift  $\{1,\ldots,k\}^{\mathbb{Z}} \to \{1,\ldots,k\}^{\mathbb{Z}}$  are amongst most studied  $(x_n)_{n\in\mathbb{Z}}\mapsto(x_{n+1})_{n\in\mathbb{Z}}$ 

maps [6]. Consider arbitrary sets  $A, \Gamma$  with at least two elements and  $\varphi: \Gamma \to \Gamma$ , we call  $\sigma_{\varphi}: A^{\Gamma} \to A^{\Gamma}$  with  $\sigma_{\varphi}((x_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Gamma}) = (x_{\varphi(\alpha)})_{\alpha \in \Gamma} ((x_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in \Gamma} \in A^{\Gamma})$  a generalized shift (as a generalization of one-sided and two-sided shifts) which has been introduced for the first time in [2]. Dynamical and non-dynamical properties of generalized shifts have been studied in several texts like [3, 5].

It is well-known that for each (complex) Hilbert space Hthere exists a unique cardinal number  $\tau$  such that H and  $\ell^2(\tau) = \{(x_\alpha)_{\alpha < \tau} \in \mathbb{C}^{\tau} : \sum_{\alpha < \tau} |x_\alpha|^2 < +\infty\}$  (equipped with inner product  $<(x_\alpha)_{\alpha < \tau}, (y_\alpha)_{\alpha < \tau} >= \sum_{\alpha < \tau} x_\alpha \overline{y_\alpha}$  and norm  $||(x_\alpha)_{\alpha < \tau}|| = \sqrt{\sum_{\alpha < \tau} |x_\alpha|^2}$ ), where  $\mathbb{C}$  denotes the field of complex numbers. So for  $\varphi: \tau \to \tau$  one may consider  $\sigma_{\varphi}|_{\ell^2(\tau)}: \ell^2(\tau) \to \mathbb{C}^{\tau}$ . As it has mentioned in [1], the following statements are equivalent (note that  $\sigma_{\varphi}: \mathbb{C}^{\tau} \to \mathbb{C}^{\tau}$  is a linear map):

•  $\sigma_{\varphi}|_{\ell^{2}(\tau)} (\ell^{2}(\tau)) \subseteq \ell^{2}(\tau),$ 

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$$\sigma_{\varphi}|_{\ell^{2}(\tau)} (\ell^{2}(\tau)) \subseteq \ell^{2}(\tau) \text{ and } \sigma_{\varphi}|_{\ell^{2}(\tau)} : \ell^{2}(\tau) \to \ell^{2}(\tau)$$
  
is continuous,

 φ: τ → τ is bounded, i.e., there exists K∈ N such that for all α ∈ τ the set φ<sup>-1</sup>(α) has at most K elements.

In the following text we consider the following Banach space (equipped with norm  $||(x_{\alpha})_{\alpha<\tau}||_{\infty} = \sup |x_{\alpha}|$ ):

$$\ell^{\infty}(\tau) = \{ (x_{\alpha})_{\alpha < \tau} \in \mathbf{C}^{\tau} : \sup_{\alpha < \tau} | x_{\alpha} | < +\infty \}$$

we study  $\sigma_{\varphi}|_{\ell^{\infty}(\tau)}$ .

## 2. Results on $\sigma_{\varphi}|_{\ell^{\infty}(\tau)}$

In this section suppose  $\tau \ge 2$  is a cardinal number and  $\varphi: \tau \to \tau$  is arbitrary, as our first steps we prove the following theorem.

Theorem 1. We have the following statements:

- a.  $\sigma_{\varphi}(\ell^{\infty}(\tau)) \subseteq \ell^{\infty}(\tau)$ , b.  $\sigma_{\varphi}|_{\ell^{\infty}(\tau)} \colon \ell^{\infty}(\tau) \to \ell^{\infty}(\tau)$  is continuous and (note that  $\|\sigma_{\varphi}|_{\ell^{\infty}(\tau)} \models \sup\{\|\sigma_{\varphi}(z)\|_{\infty} \colon z \in \ell^{\infty}(\tau), \|z\|_{\infty} \leq 1\}$ ):  $\|\sigma_{\varphi}|_{\ell^{\infty}(\tau)} \models 1$ ,
- c. the following statements are equivalent:
  - 1.  $\sigma_{\varphi}(\ell^{\infty}(\tau)) = \ell^{\infty}(\tau)$ , 2.  $\sigma_{\varphi}(\ell^{\infty}(\tau))$  is dense in  $\ell^{\infty}(\tau)$ , 3.  $\varphi: \tau \to \tau$  is one-to-one.

Proof. a, b) Consider 
$$x = (x_{\alpha})_{\alpha < \tau} \in \ell^{\infty}(\tau)$$
, then  

$$\|\sigma_{\varphi}(x)\|_{\infty} = \|\sigma_{\varphi}((x_{\alpha})_{\alpha < \tau})\|_{\infty} = \|(x_{\varphi(\alpha)})_{\alpha < \tau}\|_{\infty}$$

$$= \sup_{\alpha < \tau} |x_{\varphi(\alpha)}| \le \sup_{\alpha < \tau} |x_{\alpha}| = \|(x_{\alpha})_{\alpha < \tau}\|_{\infty} = \|x\|_{\infty}$$
and  $\|\sigma_{\varphi}(x)\|_{\infty} \le \|x\|_{\infty}$ , hence  $\sigma_{\varphi}(x) \in \ell^{\infty}(\tau)$ , also  
 $\sigma_{\alpha}\|_{\ell^{\infty}(\tau)} : \ell^{\infty}(\tau) \to \ell^{\infty}(\tau)$  is continuous and

 $\sigma_{\varphi}|_{\ell^{\infty}(\tau)} \colon \ell^{\infty}(\tau) \to \ell^{\infty}(\tau) \quad \text{is continuous and} \\ \|\sigma_{\varphi}|_{\ell^{\infty}(\tau)} \| \leq 1, \text{ on the other hand } (1)_{\alpha < \tau} \in \ell^{\infty}(\tau) \text{ and} \\ \|\sigma_{\varphi}((1)_{\alpha < \tau})\|_{\infty} = \|(1)_{\alpha < \tau}\|_{\infty} = 1 \text{ which completes the proof} \\ \text{of } \|\sigma_{\varphi}|_{\ell^{\infty}(\tau)} \| = 1.$ 

c) We complete the proof by showing " $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ " and " $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ ".

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3): Suppose  $\varphi: \tau \to \tau$  is not one-t-one, choose  $\beta < \theta < \tau$  with  $\varphi(\beta) = \varphi(\theta)$ . Let  $q_{\beta} = 1$  and  $q_{\alpha} = 0$  for  $\alpha \neq \beta$ . Then  $U := \{x \in \ell^{\infty}(\tau) : || x - (q_{\alpha})_{\alpha < \tau} ||_{\infty} < \frac{1}{2}\}$  is an open neighborhood of  $(q_{\alpha})_{\alpha < \tau} (\in \ell^{\infty}(\tau))$ , moreover for all  $(x_{\alpha})_{\alpha < \tau} \in \ell^{\infty}(\tau)$  we have  $|| \sigma_{\varphi}(x) - (q_{\alpha})_{\alpha < \tau} ||_{\infty} = || (x_{\varphi(\alpha)})_{\alpha < \tau} - (q_{\alpha})_{\alpha < \tau} ||_{\infty}$ 

$$= \sup_{\alpha < \tau} |x_{\varphi(\alpha)} - q_{\alpha}| \ge \max(|x_{\varphi(\beta)} - q_{\beta}|, |x_{\varphi(\theta)} - q_{\theta}|)$$
  
$$= \max(|x_{\varphi(\beta)} - 1|, |x_{\varphi(\theta)}|) \ge \frac{1}{2}(|x_{\varphi(\beta)} - 1| + |x_{\varphi(\theta)}|)$$
  
$$\stackrel{\varphi(\beta) = \varphi(\theta)}{=} \frac{1}{2}(|x_{\varphi(\beta)} - 1| + |x_{\varphi(\beta)}|) \ge \frac{1}{2}|x_{\varphi(\beta)} - 1 - x_{\varphi(\beta)}| = \frac{1}{2}$$

thus  $\sigma_{\varphi}(\ell^{\infty}(\tau)) \cap U$  is empty and  $\sigma_{\varphi}(\ell^{\infty}(\tau))$  is not dense in  $\ell^{\infty}(\tau)$ .

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Suppose  $\varphi: \tau \to \tau$  is one-to-one and choose  $x = (x_{\alpha})_{\alpha < \tau} \in \ell^{\infty}(\tau)$  define  $y = (y_{\alpha})_{\alpha < \tau}$  with:

$$y_{\alpha} := \begin{cases} x_{\beta} & \beta < \tau, \alpha = \varphi(\beta), \\ 0 & \text{otherwise}. \end{cases}$$

Then

 $|| y ||_{\infty} = \sup_{\alpha < \tau} | y_{\alpha} | = \sup_{\substack{\alpha = \varphi(\beta), \\ \beta < \tau}} | x_{\beta} | \le \sup_{\alpha < \tau} | x_{\alpha} | = || x ||_{\infty} < +\infty$ 

and  $y \in \ell^{\infty}(\tau)$ . Moreover  $\sigma_{\varphi}(y) = (y_{\varphi(\alpha)})_{\alpha < \tau} = (x_{\alpha})_{\alpha < \tau}$ which completes the proof.

Let's recall that in Banach spaces X, Y we say linear continuous map  $T: X \to Y$  is a compact operator if  $\overline{\{T(x): ||x|| < 1\}}$  is a compact subset of Y [4].

**Theorem 2.**  $\sigma_{\varphi}|_{\ell^{\infty}(\tau)} \colon \ell^{\infty}(\tau) \to \ell^{\infty}(\tau)$  is a compact operator if and only if  $\varphi(\tau)$  is finite.

*Proof.* First suppose  $\varphi(\tau)$  is infinite. Choose one-to-one sequence  $\{\alpha_i\}_{i\geq 1}$  in  $\tau$  such that  $\{\varphi(\alpha_i)\}_{i\geq 1}$  is a one-to-one sequence too. For each  $i \geq 1$  let  $x_i = (x_{\alpha}^i)_{\alpha < \tau} \in \ell^{\infty}(\tau)$  with  $x_{\alpha_i}^i = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $x_{\alpha}^i = 0$  for  $\alpha \neq \alpha_i$ . Then for  $i \neq j$  we have  $\|\sigma_{\varphi}(x_i) - \sigma_{\varphi}(x_j)\|_{\infty} = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\{\sigma_{\varphi}(x_i)\}_{i\geq 1}$  does not have any convergent subsequence however  $\{x_i\}_{i\geq 1}$  is a sequence in  $\{x \in \ell^{\infty}(\tau) : \|x\|_{\infty} < 1\}$ , so  $\sigma_{\varphi}|_{\ell^{\infty}(\tau)} : \ell^{\infty}(\tau) \to \ell^{\infty}(\tau)$  is not compact.

Now suppose  $\varphi(\tau)$  is finite, in this case  $\sigma_{\varphi}(\ell^{\infty}(\tau))$  is a finite dimensional subset of  $\sigma_{\varphi}(\ell^{\infty}(\tau))$ , thus its closed bounded subsets are compact, using Theorem 1,  $\sigma_{\varphi}\{x \in \ell^{\infty}(\tau) : ||x||_{\infty} < 1\} (\subseteq \{x \in \ell^{\infty}(\tau) : ||x||_{\infty} < 1\})$  is a bounded subset of  $\sigma_{\varphi}(\ell^{\infty}(\tau))$ , which leads to the desired result.

## **3.** Generalized shifts on subspaces of $\ell^{\infty}$

As it is common in the literature, for the least infinite cardinal number  $\omega = \{0, 1, 2, ...\}$  we denote  $\ell^{\infty}(\omega)$  by  $\ell^{\infty}$ . Consider the following subspaces of  $\ell^{\infty}$ :

- $\ell_{00}^{\infty} := \{(x_n)_{n < \omega} \in \ell^{\infty} : \exists N \ \forall n \ge N \ x_n = 0\}$
- $\ell_{0c}^{\infty} := \{ (x_n)_{n < \omega} \in \ell^{\infty} : \exists z \exists N \forall n \ge N x_n = z \}$
- $\ell_0^{\infty} := \{ (x_n)_{n < \omega} \in \ell^{\infty} : \lim_{n \to +\infty} x_n = 0 \}$
- $\ell_c^{\infty} := \{ (x_n)_{n < \omega} \in \ell^{\infty} : \exists z \lim_{n \to +\infty} x_n = 0 \}$

thus  $\ell_{00}^{\infty} \subseteq \ell_0^{\infty} \subseteq \ell_c^{\infty} \subseteq \ell^{\infty}$  and  $\ell_{00}^{\infty} \subseteq \ell_{0c}^{\infty} \subseteq \ell_c^{\infty} \subseteq \ell^{\infty}$ . In this section consider  $\varphi : \omega \to \omega$ .

Theorem 3. The following statements are equivalent:

1. 
$$\sigma_{\varphi}(\ell_{00}^{\infty}) \subseteq \ell_{00}^{\infty}$$
,  
2.  $\sigma_{\varphi}(\ell_{0}^{\infty}) \subseteq \ell_{0}^{\infty}$ ,

3. for all  $n \in \omega$  the set  $\varphi^{-1}(n)$  is finite (i.e.,  $\varphi$  is finite fiber).

*Proof.* "(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3)" and "(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (3)": Suppose there exists  $p \in \omega$  such that  $\varphi^{-1}(p)$  is infinite. Consider  $u = (u_n)_{n < \omega}$  with  $u_p = 1$  and  $u_n = 0$  for  $n \neq p$ . Then we have  $u \in \ell_{00}^{\infty} (= \ell_0^{\infty} \cap \ell_{00}^{\infty})$  and  $\sigma_{\varphi}(u) \notin \ell_0^{\infty} (= \ell_0^{\infty} \cup \ell_{00}^{\infty})$ , thus not only  $\sigma_{\varphi}(\ell_0^{\infty}) \not\subset \ell_0^{\infty}$ , but also  $\sigma_{\varphi}(\ell_{00}^{\infty}) \not\subset \ell_{00}^{\infty}$ .

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Suppose (3) is valid and  $(x_n)_{n<\omega} \in \ell_{00}^{\infty}$ , then there exists  $N \in \omega$  such that for all  $n \ge N$  we have  $x_n = 0$ . Since  $\varphi$  is finite fiber,  $\varphi^{-1}(\{0, ..., N\})$  is finite and  $m = \max(\varphi^{-1}(\{0, ..., N\}) \cup \{0\}) \in \omega$ . So  $x_{\varphi(n)} = 0$ for all  $n \ge m+1$ . Hence  $\sigma_{\varphi}((x_n)_{n<\omega}) = (x_{\varphi(n)})_{n<\omega} \in \ell_{00}^{\infty}$ . (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Suppose (3) is valid and  $(x_n)_{n<\omega} \in \ell_{00}^{\infty}$ , then  $\lim_{n \to +\infty} x_n = 0$  and for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $N \in \omega$  such that for all  $n \ge N$  we have  $|x_n| < \varepsilon$ . Since  $\varphi$  is finite fiber,  $m = \max(\varphi^{-1}(\{0, ..., N\}) \cup \{0\}) \in \omega$ . So for all  $n \ge m+1$  we have  $|x_{\varphi(n)}| < \varepsilon$ . Thus  $\lim_{n \to +\infty} x_{\varphi(n)} = 0$  and  $\sigma_{\varphi}((x_n)_{n<\omega}) = (x_{\varphi(n)})_{n<\omega} \in \ell_0^{\infty}$ .

Theorem 4. The following statements are equivalent:

1. 
$$\sigma_{\varphi}(\ell_{0c}^{\infty}) \subseteq \ell_{0c}^{\infty}$$
  
2.  $\sigma_{\varphi}(\ell_{c}^{\infty}) \subseteq \ell_{c}^{\infty}$ ,

3. for all  $n \in \omega$  " $\varphi^{-1}(n)$  is finite" or " $\omega \setminus \varphi^{-1}(n)$  is finite". *Proof.* First suppose there exists  $p \in \omega$  such that both sets  $\varphi^{-1}(p)$  and  $\omega \setminus \varphi^{-1}(p)$  are infinite. Consider  $u = (u_n)_{n < \omega}$ with  $u_p = 1$  and  $u_n = 0$  for  $n \neq p$ . Then we have  $u \in \ell_{0c}^{\infty} (= \ell_c^{\infty} \cap \ell_{0c}^{\infty})$ , let  $(v_n)_{n < \omega} = (u_{\varphi(n)})_{n < \omega} = \sigma_{\varphi}(u)$ . Using infiniteness of  $\varphi^{-1}(p)$  and  $\omega \setminus \varphi^{-1}(p)$  there exist  $m_1 < m_2 < \cdots$  in  $\varphi^{-1}(p)$  and there exist  $k_1 < k_2 < \cdots$  in  $\omega \setminus \varphi^{-1}(p)$  thus  $\lim_{n \to \infty} v_{m_n} = 1$  and  $\lim_{n \to \infty} v_{k_n} = 0$ . Hence  $\lim_{n \to \infty} v_n$  does not exist and  $\sigma_{\varphi}(u) = (v_n)_{n < \omega} \notin \ell_{00}^{\infty}$ . So not only  $\sigma_{\varphi}(\ell_0^{\infty}) \not\subset \ell_0^{\infty}$ , but also  $\sigma_{\varphi}(\ell_{00}^{\infty}) \not\subset \ell_{00}^{\infty}$ . Thus "(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3)" and "(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (3)". (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Suppose (3) is valid and  $(x_n)_{n<\omega} \in \ell_{0c}^{\infty}$ , then there exists  $N \in \omega$  such that for all  $n \ge N$  we have  $x_n = x_N =; z$ . We have the following cases:

Case 1:  $\varphi$  is finite fiber. In this case  $\varphi^{-1}(\{0,...,N\})$  is finite and  $m = \max(\varphi^{-1}(\{0,...,N\}) \cup \{0\}) \in \omega$ . So  $x_{\varphi(n)} = z$  for all  $n \ge m+1$ . Hence  $\sigma_{\varphi}((x_n)_{n < \omega}) = (x_{\varphi(n)})_{n < \omega} \in \ell_{0c}^{\infty}$ .

Case 2: there exists  $p \in \omega$  such that  $\varphi^{-1}(p)$  is infinite. So in this case  $\omega \setminus \varphi^{-1}(p)$  is finite and there exists  $M \in \omega$ with  $\omega \setminus \varphi^{-1}(p) \subseteq \{0, ..., M\}$ . For all  $n \ge M + 1$  we have  $n \in \varphi^{-1}(p)$  and  $\varphi(n) = p$ , hence  $x_{\varphi(n)} = x_p$  which shows  $\sigma_{\varphi}((x_n)_{n < \omega}) = (x_{\varphi(n)})_{n < \omega} \in \ell_{0c}^{\infty}$ .

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Suppose (3) is valid and  $(x_n)_{n<\omega} \in \ell_c^{\infty}$ , then  $\{x_n\}_{n<\omega}$  is a convergent and hence Cauchy so for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $N \in \omega$  such that for all  $n, m \ge N$  we have  $|x_n - x_m| < \varepsilon$ . We have the following cases:

Case 1:  $\varphi$  is finite fiber. In this case  $\varphi^{-1}(\{0,...,N\})$  is finite and  $M = \max(\varphi^{-1}(\{0,...,N\}) \cup \{0\}) \in \omega$ . So for all  $n,m \ge M+1$  we have  $\varphi(n), \varphi(m) > N$  therefore  $|x_{\varphi(n)} - x_{\varphi(m)}| < \varepsilon$ .

Case 2: there exists  $p \in \omega$  such that  $\varphi^{-1}(p)$  is infinite. So in this case  $\omega \setminus \varphi^{-1}(p)$  is finite and there exists  $M \in \omega$ with  $\omega \setminus \varphi^{-1}(p) \subseteq \{0, ..., M\}$ . For all  $n, m \ge M + 1$  we have  $x_{\varphi(n)} = x_p = x_{\varphi(m)}$  which shows  $|x_{\varphi(n)} - x_{\varphi(m)}| = 0 < \varepsilon$ . Using the above cases, there exists  $M \in \omega$  with  $|x_{\varphi(n)} - x_{\varphi(m)}| < \varepsilon$  for all  $n, m \ge M + 1$ . Therefore  $\{x_{\varphi(n)}\}_{n < \omega}$  is a Cauchy hence convergent sequence in **C**. Therefore  $\sigma_{\varphi}((x_n)_{n < \omega}) = (x_{\varphi(n)})_{n < \omega} \in \ell_{c}^{\infty}$ .

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