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# ON THE SPECTRUM OF $C_1$ AS AN OPERATOR ON $bv_0$

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### Abstract

In 1985 John Reade determined the spectrum of  $C_1$  regarded as an operator on the space  $c_0$  of all null sequences normed by  $||x|| = \sup_{n\geq 0} |x_n|$ . It is the purpose of this paper to determine the spectrum of  $C_1$  regarded as an operator on the space  $bv_0$  of all sequences x such that  $x_k \to 0$  as  $k \to \infty$  and  $||x|| = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |x_{k+1} - x_k| < \infty$ .

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NOTATION. s; c<sub>0</sub>;  $l_1$ ;  $bv_0$ ; bs;  $T^*$ ;  $X^*B(X)$ ;  $A^i$ ;  $\sigma(T)$ ; O(1); o(1);  $\approx$ ; Re(z); will denote the set of all sequences; convergent to zero sequences, that is, null sequences; sequences such that  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |x_k| < \infty$ ; sequences such that  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |x_{k+1} - x_k| < \infty$ ; bounded series, that is, sequences x such that  $\sup_{n\geq 0} |\sum_{k=0}^{n} x_k| < \infty$ ; the adjoint operator of T; the space of all continuous linear functionals on X, that is, the continuous dual of X; the linear space of all bounded linear operators, say, T on X into itself; the transposed matrix of A; the spectrum of T; capital order, that is,  $x_n = O(1)$  if there exists  $M \in \mathbb{R}^+$  such that  $|x_n| \leq M$  for all n; small order, that is,  $x_n = o(1)$ as  $n \to \infty$ , that is,  $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_n = 0$ ; lies between two positive constant multiples, for example  $a_n \asymp b_n$  means that there exist  $m, M \in \mathbb{R}^+$  such that  $mb_n \leq a_n \leq Mb_n$ ; the real part of the complex number z, respectively.

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## 1. Introduction

In his 1985 paper Reade considers the operator which converts a sequence  $(x_n)_0^\infty$  into its sequence of averages

$$\left(\frac{x_0+x_1+\cdots+x_n}{n+1}\right)_{n=0}^{\infty}.$$

He shows it is a bounded operator on  $c_0$ . We shall denote this operator by  $C_1 = (C, 1)$  and call it the Cesàro operator. It can be represented by the matrix

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$\frac{1}{5}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	•••	
$ \left(\begin{array}{c} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{3} \\ \dots \end{array}\right) $	$\frac{\overline{1}}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	0	•••	•
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The key to determining the spectrum  $\sigma(C_1)$  of a bounded linear operator  $C_1$ :  $bv_0 \rightarrow bv_0$  on a Banach space  $bv_0$  is the determination of all eigenvalues of  $C_1^* \in B(bv_0^*)$ , that is, the determination of all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $(C_1 - \lambda I)^{-1} \in B(bv_0)$ .

1.1 THEOREM. Let  $T \in B(X)$ , where X is any Banach space. Then the spectrum of  $T^*$  is identical with the spectrum of T. Furthermore,  $R_{\lambda}(T^*) = (R_{\lambda}(T))^*$  for  $\lambda \in \rho(T) = \rho(T^*)$ , where  $R_{\lambda}(T) = (T - \lambda I)^{-1}$  and  $\rho(T) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : (T - \lambda I)^{-1} \text{ exists}\}.$ 

PROOF. See [2, page 568] and [3, page 71].

1.2. LEMMA.  $C_1: bv_0 \to bv_0$  and  $C_1 \in B(bv_0)$  with  $||C_1||_{bv_0} = 1$ .

**PROOF.** Since  $C_1: bv_0 \to bv_0$ , write  $y_n = C_1 x$  and define  $x_n = a_0 + a_1 + \cdots + a_n$ . Then  $y_n \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$  and

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |y_n - y_{n+1}| &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \left| \sum_{\nu=1}^{n+1} \nu a_{\nu} \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} \nu |a_{\nu}| \\ &= \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} \nu |a_{\nu}| \sum_{n=\nu-1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \\ &\leq \sum_{\nu=1}^{\infty} |a_{\nu}| = \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} |x_{\nu} - x_{\nu-1}|. \end{split}$$

Direct manipulation gives

 $||C_1||_{(bv_0, bv_0)} = \sup\{1, 0, 0, \dots\} = 1.$ 

Clearly  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{1}{1+n} = 0$  and hence  $C_1 \in B(bv_0)$ .

1.3. LEMMA. Each bounded linear operator  $T: X \to Y$ , where  $X = c_0, l_p$ and  $Y = c_0, l_p$   $(1 \le p < \infty)$ ,  $l_{\infty}$  (where  $l_p$  denotes sequences x such that  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |x_k|^p < \infty$  and  $l_{\infty}$  denotes bounded sequences) determines and is determined by an infinite matrix of complex numbers.

PROOF. See Taylor [13, pages 221-223].

1.4. LEMMA. Let  $C_1: bv_0 \to bv_0$ . Then  $C_1^*: bv_0^* \to bv_0^*$  is given by  $C_1^*$  and  $C_1^t \in B(bs)$ .

**PROOF.** Since  $bv_0$  has AK and  $bv_0^*$  is isomorphic to bs under the map  $h: bv_0^* \to bs, h(f) = (t_0, t_1, t_2, ...)$ , where  $t_n = f(\delta^n), n \ge 0, f \in bv_0^*$ , we have (see Lemma 1.3)

$C_{1}^{*} = C_{1}^{t} =$	$ \left(\begin{array}{c} 1\\ 0\\ 0 \end{array}\right) $	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ 0	ーうーうーう	···· ···	
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But for any operator T on a normed linear space X,  $||T||_X = ||T^*||_{X^*}$  (see [2, page 478], [3, page 54] and [7, page 232]), so

$$||C_1||_{bv_0} = ||C_1^*||_{bv_0^*} = ||C_1^t||_{bs} = 1.$$

Thus  $C_1^* \in B(bv_0^*)$ , that is,  $C_1^t \in B(bs)$  since it is also clear that each column of  $C_1^t$  is null ( $C_1$  being a normal matrix).

1.5. COROLLARY.  $C_1 \in B(bv_0)$  has not eigenvalues.

**PROOF.** The proof follows from the fact that  $C_1 \in B(c_0)$  has no eigenvalues (see [10]) since  $bv_0 \subset c_0$ .

1.6. LEMMA. Let

$$Z_n = \prod_{\nu=0}^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{\lambda(\nu+1)}\right), \qquad \lambda \neq 0, \lambda \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Then the partial sums of  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Z_n$  are bounded if and only if  $\operatorname{Re}(1/\lambda) \ge 1$ .

**PROOF.** When  $\lambda = 1$ ,  $Z_n = 0$  for all *n* and so the partial sums of  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} Z_n$  are certainly bounded.

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Let C be a constant depending only on  $\lambda$  which may be different at each occurrence and A a non-zero constant. We have that

(1.1) 
$$\log_e(1-u) = -\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} u^n = -u + O(u^2)$$

uniformly in  $|u| \leq \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $u \in \mathbb{C}$ . Now given  $\lambda \neq 0$  there is  $\nu_0$  such that  $|\lambda|(\nu+1) > 2$  for  $\nu \geq \nu_0$ ,

(1.2) 
$$\log_e Z_n = \sum_{\nu=0}^n \log\left(1 - \frac{1}{\lambda(\nu+1)}\right) \\ = C - \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{\nu=\nu_0} \frac{1}{1+\nu} + \sum_{\nu=\nu_0}^n t_{\nu}$$

where  $t_{\nu} = O(1/\nu^2)$ , and

(1.3) 
$$\sum_{\nu=\nu_0}^{n} t_{\nu} = \sum_{\nu=\nu_0}^{\infty} t_{\nu} - \sum_{\nu=n+1}^{\infty} t_{\nu} = C + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$

Also

(1.4) 
$$\sum_{\nu=\nu_0}^{n} \frac{1}{\nu+1} = C + \log n + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$

since if  $C = \sum_{\nu=0}^{n} \frac{1}{\nu+1} - \log n$ , then

$$C_{n+1} - C_n = \frac{1}{2+n} - \log\left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right)$$

Therefore

$$C_{n+1} = C + \sum_{\nu=0}^{n} (C_{\nu+1} - C_{\nu})$$
  
=  $C + \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} (C_{\nu+1} - C_{\nu}) - \sum_{\nu=n+1}^{\infty} (C_{\nu+1} - C_{\nu}), \qquad C_0 = 0,$ 

that is,

(1.5) 
$$C_{n+1} = C - \sum_{\nu=n+1}^{\infty} (C_{\nu+1} - C_{\nu}) = C + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$

Hence as  $n \to \infty$ ,  $\log Z_n = C - 1/\lambda \log n + O(\frac{1}{n})$  so  $Z_n = An^{-1/\lambda}(1 + O(\frac{1}{n}))$ =  $An^{-1/\lambda} + O(n^{-\operatorname{Re}(1/\lambda)-1})$ . If  $\operatorname{Re}(1/\lambda) \ge 1$ ,  $\lambda = 1$ , the partial sums of  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-1/\lambda}$  are bounded and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-\operatorname{Re}(1/\lambda)-1} < \infty$ , so the partial sums of  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Z_n$  are bounded. If  $0 < \operatorname{Re}(1/\lambda) < 1$  or  $\lambda = 1$  then the partial sums of  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-1/\lambda}$  are unbounded, but we still have  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-\operatorname{Re}(1/\lambda)-1} < \infty$ . If  $\operatorname{Re}(1/\lambda) \leq 0$  then

(1.6) 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{N} n^{-1/\lambda} \approx N^{1-1/\lambda} / \left(1 - \frac{1}{\lambda}\right)$$

Now

$$\sum_{n=1}^{N} n^{-\operatorname{Re}(1/\lambda)-1} = \begin{cases} O(N^{-\operatorname{Re}(1/\lambda)}), & \text{if } \operatorname{Re}(1/\lambda) < 0, \\ O(\log N), & \text{if } \operatorname{Re}(1/\lambda) = 0. \end{cases}$$

Using (1.6) we see that the partial sums of  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-1/\lambda}$  are unbounded although  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-\operatorname{Re}(1/\lambda)-1} < \infty$ , and hence we conclude that the partial sums of  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Z_n$  are bounded if and only if  $\operatorname{Re}(1/\lambda) \ge 1$ .

# 2. Determination of the spectrum of $C_1$ on $bv_0$

2.1. THEOREM. The eigenvalues of  $C_1^* \in B(bv_0^*)$ , that is,  $C_1^t \in B(bs)$ , are all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  satisfying  $|\lambda - \frac{1}{2}| \leq \frac{1}{2}$ .

**PROOF.** Suppose  $C_1^t x = \lambda x$ ,  $x \in bs$ ,  $x \neq \theta$  where  $\theta$  is the zero sequence. Then as in Lemma 1.4,

$$C_{1}^{*} = C_{1}^{t} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{4} & \cdots & \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{4} & \cdots & \\ 0 & 0 & & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{4} & \cdots \\ & \cdots & & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \end{pmatrix}$$

and solving the system of equations

$$x_0 + \frac{1}{2}x_1 + \frac{1}{3}x_2 + \dots = x_0$$
  
$$\frac{1}{2}x_1 + \frac{1}{3}x_2 + \dots = x_1$$
  
$$\frac{1}{3}x_2 + \dots = x_2$$

. . .

$$\frac{1}{n}x_{n-1} + \frac{1}{n+1}x_n + \dots = x_{n-1}$$
$$\frac{1}{n+1}x_n + \dots = x_n$$

we obtain

(2.2)  

$$x_{1} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{\lambda}\right) x_{0}$$

$$x_{2} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{\lambda}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{2\lambda}\right) x_{0}$$

$$x_{3} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{\lambda}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{2\lambda}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\lambda\right) x_{0}.$$

$$x_N = \prod_{n=1}^N \left(1 - \frac{1}{n\lambda}\right) x_0.$$

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By Lemma 1.6,  $(x_N)_1^{\infty} \in bs$  if and only if  $\operatorname{Re}(1/\lambda) \ge 1$ , that is,  $|\lambda - \frac{1}{2}| \le \frac{1}{2}$ . Hence the result follows.

# 2.2. THEOREM. Let $C_1: bv_0 \to bv_0$ . Then the spectrum of $C_1$ is $\sigma(C_1) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : |\lambda - \frac{1}{2}| \le \frac{1}{2}\}.$

2.3. DEFINITION (Weighted mean method). The weighted mean method is a matrix  $A = (a_{nk})$  with

$$a_{nk}=p_k|P_n, \quad P_n=\sum_{k=0}^n p_k\neq 0.$$

2.4. LEMMA. If (M, p) = (N, p) is a regular (conservative) weighted mean method then (M, p) = (N, p) is absolutely regular (conservative).

(See [1], [14] for further details.)

**PROOF.** Since (N, p) is a regular (conservative) mean method we have by the Kojima-Schur conditions

$$(2.3) |P_n| \to \infty as n \to \infty,$$

where  $P_n = \sum_{\nu=0}^n p_{\nu}$  and

(2.4) 
$$P_n^* = \sum_{\nu=0}^n |p_\nu| = O(P_n)$$

We need to prove that (N, p) is absolutely regular (conservative), that is, that

(2.5) 
$$P_{k-1}\sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \left|\frac{1}{P_n} - \frac{1}{P_{n-1}}\right| \le M.$$

Let  $P_n^* = \sum_{\nu=0}^n |p_{\nu}|$ . Then (2.4) becomes  $P_n^* \le K |P_n|$  for all  $n \ge 1$  (K some constant). Thus

$$\begin{aligned} |P_{k-1}| \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \frac{|p_n|}{|P_n| |P_{n-1}|} &\leq |P_{k-1}| \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \frac{|P_n| K^2}{P_n^* \cdot P_{n-1}^*} \\ &\leq K^2 |P_{k-1}| \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{P_{n-1}^*} - \frac{1}{P_n^*} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Since  $|P_n| \to \infty$  as  $n \to \infty$  by (2.3), we have that  $P_n^* \to \infty$  (since  $P_n^* \ge |P_n|$ ), therefore  $\sum_{n=k}^{\infty} (1/P_{n-1}^* - 1/P_n^*) = 1/P_{k-1}^*$  and so (2.5) follows, provided that  $|P_{k-1}|/P_{k-1}^* \le M$  for some M. But M = 1 will do and the result follows.

We now prove Theorem 2.2.

**PROOF.** By virtue of Theorem 2.1 and the fact that  $\sigma(C_1) = \sigma(C_1^*)$  (see Theorem 1.1), it is enough to prove that  $B = (C_1 - \lambda I)^{-1} \in B(bv_0)$  for all  $|\lambda - \frac{1}{2}| > \frac{1}{2}$ , that is, that Q is absolutely regular where  $B = -I/\lambda - Q/\lambda(\lambda - 1)$  except when  $\lambda$  is the reciprocal of a positive integer,  $B = (C - \lambda I)^{-1} = I/\lambda - Q/\lambda(\lambda - 1)$ , where  $Q = (q_{nk})$ ,  $q_{nk} = A_{k-1}^{-1/\lambda}/A_{n-1}^{1-1/\lambda}$ ,

$$A_n^{\alpha} = \binom{n+\alpha}{n} = \frac{(\alpha+n)\cdots(\alpha+1)}{n!}$$

is a Hausdorff matrix  $(\mu, \mu_n)$ ,

$$\mu_n=\frac{1}{\lambda}\left(-1-\frac{\frac{1}{\lambda}}{(n+1)-\frac{1}{\lambda}}\right).$$

It is also clear that Q is the Hausdorff matrix  $(\mu, (1 - \frac{1}{\lambda})/((n + 1) - \frac{1}{\lambda}))$ . The proof of this is trivial (see Rhoades [11]).

Now Q is a regular Hausdorff transformation when  $\text{Re}(1/\lambda) < 1$ . To see this we simply check the regularity conditions, namely:

(i)  $\lim_{n\to\infty} q_{nk} = \lim_{n\to\infty} A_{n-1}^{-1/\lambda} / A_{n-1}^{1-1/\lambda} = 0$  since

$$|q_{nk}| = |A_{k-1}^{-1/\lambda}/A_{n-1}^{1-1/\lambda}| = |A_{k-1}^{-1/\lambda}| \cdot O(n^{\alpha-1})$$

and  $\alpha = \operatorname{Re}(1/\lambda) < 1$ , whence  $q_{nk} \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ ; (ii)  $\sum_{k=1}^{n} A_{k-1}^{-1/\lambda} = A_{n-1}^{1-1/\lambda}$ , and therefore  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{n} q_{nk} = 1$ ; (iii)  $\sum_{k=1}^{n} A_{k-1}^{-1/\lambda} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} O(k^{-\alpha}) = O(n^{1-\alpha}) \simeq O(|A_{n-1}^{1-1/\lambda}|)$  and therefore  $\sum_{k=1}^{n} |A_{k-1}^{-1/\lambda}| = O(|A_{n-1}^{1-1/\lambda}|)$ .

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It is clear that  $Q = (q_{nk})$  is a weighted mean method (matrix)  $(N, A_{k-1}^{-1/\lambda})$  with  $\sum_{k=1}^{n} A_{k-1}^{-1/\lambda} = A_{n-1}^{1-1/\lambda}$ . Since Q is a weighted mean method and a regular Hausdorff method, theorem 2.2 follows.

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