# FRAME FOR OPERATORS IN FINITE DIMENTIONAL HILBERT SPACE 

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#### Abstract

In this paper, we study frames for operators ( $K$-frames) in finite dimentional Hilbert spaces and express the dual of $K$-frames. Some properties of $K$-dual frames are investigated. Furthermore, the notion of their oblique $K$-duals and some properties are presented.


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## 1. Introduction

Let $K \in B(\mathcal{H})$, the space of all bounded linear operators on a Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}$. A sequence $\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j \in \mathrm{~J}}$ is said to be a $K$-frame for $\mathcal{H}$ if there exist constants $A, B>0$ such that

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\begin{equation*}
A\left\|K^{*} x\right\|^{2} \leq \sum_{j \in \mathcal{J}}\left|\left\langle x, \varphi_{j}\right\rangle\right|^{2} \leq B\|x\|^{2}, \quad(x \in \mathcal{H}) . \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
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We call $A, B$ the lower and the upper $K$-frame bounds for $\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j \in J}$, respectively. If $K=I_{\mathcal{H}}$, then $\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j \in \mathbb{J}}$ is the ordinary frame. If only the right inequalitiy holds, then $\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j \in \mathbb{J}}$ is called a Bessel sequence. Suppose that $\Phi:=\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j \in J}$ is a $K$-frame for $\mathcal{H}$. The operator $T_{\Phi}: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \ell^{2}(\mathbb{J})$ defined by $T_{\Phi}(x)=\left\{\left\langle x, \varphi_{j}\right\rangle\right\}_{j \in \mathbb{J}}$ is called the analysis operator. $T_{\Phi}$ is bounded and $T_{\Phi}^{*}: \ell^{2}(\mathbb{J}) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ is given by $T_{\Phi}^{*}\left(\left\{c_{j}\right\}_{j \in J}\right)=\sum_{j \in J} c_{j} \varphi_{j}$. $T_{\Phi}^{*}$ is called the pre-frame or synthesis operator. The operator $S_{\Phi}: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ defined by $S_{\Phi}(x)=T_{\Phi}^{*} T_{\Phi}(x)=\sum_{j \in J}\left\langle x, \varphi_{j}\right\rangle \varphi_{j}$ is called the frame operator of $\Phi$. Note that, frame operator of a $K$-frame is not invertible on $\mathcal{H}$ in general, but it is invertible on the subspace $R(K) \subset \mathcal{H}$, that $R(K)$ is the range of $K$.

Given a positive integer $N$. Throughout this paper, we suppose that $\mathcal{H}^{N}$ is a real or complex $N$-dimensional Hilbert space. By $\langle\cdot, \cdot\rangle$ and $\|$.$\| we denote the inner product on$ $\mathcal{H}^{N}$ and its corresponding norm, respectively. Denote by $P_{W}$ the orthogonal projection of $\mathcal{H}$ onto a closed subspace $W \subseteq \mathcal{H}$.

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## 2. Finite $\boldsymbol{K}$-frames

In this section, we present $K$-frame theory in finite-dimensional Hilbert spaces.
Let $K \in B\left(\mathcal{H}^{N}\right)$ and $\Phi=\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ be a family of vectors in $\mathcal{H}^{N}$. If $A\left\|K^{*} x\right\|^{2}=$ $\sum_{j=1}^{M}\left|\left\langle x, \varphi_{j}\right\rangle\right|^{2}$, then $\Phi$ is called an $A$-tight $K$-frame and if $\left\|K^{*} x\right\|^{2}=\sum_{j=1}^{M}\left|\left\langle x, \varphi_{j}\right\rangle\right|^{2}$, then $\Phi$ is called a tight $K$-frame. If $\left\|\varphi_{j}\right\|=1$ for all $j=1,2, \ldots, M$, this is an unit norm $K$-frame.

For an arbitrary $K$-frame, we obtain the optimal lower and upper $K$-frame bounds by eigenvalues of its frame operator.

Proposition 2.1. Let $0 \neq K \in B\left(\mathcal{H}^{N}\right)$. Let $\Phi=\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ be a $K$-frame for $R(K)$ with $K$-frame operator $S_{\Phi}$ with eigenvalues $\lambda_{1} \geq \lambda_{2} \geq \ldots \geq \lambda_{N}>0$. Then $\lambda_{1}$ is the optimal upper $K$-frame bound and if $\lambda_{N} \neq 0$ then $\frac{\lambda_{N}}{\|K\|^{2}}$ is the optimal lower $K$-frame bound.

Now, we introduce a constructive method to extend a given frame to a tight $K$ frame.

Theorem 2.2. Let $K \in B\left(\mathcal{H}^{N}\right)$. Let $\Phi=\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ be a frame for $\mathcal{H}^{N}$. Assume that the frame operator $S_{\Phi}$ has the eigenvalues $\left\{\lambda_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{N}$, ordered as $\lambda_{1} \geq \lambda_{2} \geq$ $\ldots \geq \lambda_{N}>0$. Let $\left\{e_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{N}$ be a corresponding eigenbasis. Then the collection $\left\{K \varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M} \cup\left\{\sqrt{\lambda_{1}-\lambda_{j}} K e_{j}\right\}_{j=2}^{N}$ is a $\lambda_{1}$-tight $K$-frame for $\mathcal{H}^{N}$.

In the following proposition, we express two inequality of $A$-tight $K$-frames.
Proposition 2.3. (i) If $\Phi=\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ is an A-tight $K$-frame for $\mathcal{H}^{N}$, then

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\max _{j=1,2, \ldots, M}\left\|\varphi_{j}\right\|^{2} \leq A\|K\|^{2}
$$

(ii) If $\Phi=\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ is an unit norm $A$-tight $K$-frame for $\mathcal{H}^{N}$, then

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A\|K\|^{2} N \geq M
$$

In the last part of this section, we study conditions under which a linear combination of two $K$-frames is $K$-frame too.

Definition 2.4. Let $K \in B\left(\mathcal{H}^{N}\right)$ and $\Phi=\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ and $\Psi=\left\{\psi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ be $K$-frames for $\mathcal{H}^{N}$. $\Phi$ and $\Psi$ are called strongly disjoint if $R\left(T_{\Phi}\right) \perp R\left(T_{\Psi}\right)$, where $T_{\Phi}$ and $T_{\Psi}$ are the analysis operators of the sequences $\Phi$ and $\Psi$, respectively.

Theorem 2.5. Suppose that $K \in B\left(\mathcal{H}^{N}\right)$ and $\Phi=\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ and $\Psi=\left\{\psi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ are strongly disjoint tight $K$-frames for $\mathcal{H}^{N}$. Also, assume that $A, B \in B\left(\mathcal{H}^{N}\right)$ are operators such that $A K K^{*} A^{*}+B K K^{*} B^{*}=I_{N \times N}$, then $\{A \Phi+B \Psi\}$ is a $K$-frame for $\mathcal{H}^{N}$. In particular, if $K K^{*}=\frac{1}{2\left(|\alpha|^{2}+|\beta|^{2}\right)} I_{N \times N}$, then $\{\alpha \Phi+\beta \Psi\}$ is a $K$-frame for $\mathcal{H}^{N}$.

## 3. Dual of $K$-frame

In this section, we introduce the concept of $K$-dual of $K$-frames in $\mathcal{H}^{N}$ and its properties are discussed. Also, the oblique $K$-dual is investigated.
Definition 3.1. If $\Phi=\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ is a $K$-frame for $\mathcal{H}^{N}$, a sequence $\Psi=\left\{\psi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ is called a $K$-dual frame for $\Phi$ if

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\begin{equation*}
K x=\sum_{j=1}^{M}\left\langle x, \psi_{j}\right\rangle \varphi_{j}, \quad\left(x \in \mathcal{H}^{N}\right) . \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
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The systems $\Phi=\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ and $\Psi=\left\{\psi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ are referred to as a $K$-dual frame pair.
Proposition 3.2. Let $\Phi=\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ be a tight $K$-frame for $\mathcal{H}^{N}$. Then $\operatorname{Tr}(K)=$ $\sum_{j=1}^{M}\left\langle\varphi_{j}, \psi_{j}\right\rangle$, where $\Psi=\left\{\psi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ is a $K$-dual of $\Phi=\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$.

In the following theorem, we characterize the scalar sequences $v=\left\{v_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ for which there exists a $K$-dual pair of frames $\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ and $\left\{\psi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ such that $v_{j}=\left\langle\varphi_{j}, \psi_{j}\right\rangle$ for all $j=1,2, \ldots, M$.
Theorem 3.3. Let $K \in B\left(\mathcal{H}^{N}\right)$ and $v=\left\{v_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M} \subset \mathbb{C}$ with $M>\operatorname{dim}(R(K))=\operatorname{rank}(K)$ be given. Suppose that there exist $K$-dual frame pairs $\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ and $\left\{\psi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ for $\mathcal{H}^{N}$ such that $v_{j}=\left\langle\varphi_{j}, \psi_{j}\right\rangle$ for all $j=1,2, \ldots, M$. Then there exists a tight $K^{*}$-frame $\left\{\theta_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ and a corresponding dual frame $\Gamma=\left\{\gamma_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ for $\mathcal{H}^{N}$ such that $v_{j}=\left\langle\theta_{j}, \gamma_{j}\right\rangle$ for all $j=1,2, \ldots, M$. Furthermore $\operatorname{Tr}(K)=\sum_{j=1}^{M} v_{j}$.

In the following result we characterize $K$-duals of a $K$-frame.
Proposition 3.4. Let $\Phi=\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ be a $K$-frame for $\mathcal{H}^{N}$. Then $\Psi=\left\{\psi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ is a $K$-dual for $\Phi$ if and only if $R\left(T_{\Phi}\right) \perp R\left(T_{\Theta}\right)$, where $T_{\Theta}$ is the analysis operator of the sequence $\Theta=\left\{\theta_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}=\left\{\psi_{j}-K^{*} S_{\Phi}^{-1} P_{S_{\Phi}(R(K))} \varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$.

Oblique dual frames in finite dimentional Hilbert space were studied in [5]. In the last part of this section, we study this notion for $K$-frames.
Definition 3.5. Let $\mathcal{U}$ and $\mathcal{W}$ be two subspaces of $\mathcal{H}^{N}$ and suppose that $\Phi=\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ and $\Psi=\left\{\psi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ are in $\mathcal{H}^{N}$ and $\mathcal{W}=\operatorname{span}\left\{\varphi_{j}: j=1,2, \ldots, M\right\}, \mathcal{U}=\operatorname{span}\left\{\psi_{j}:\right.$ $j=1,2, \ldots, M\}$. The sequence $\Psi=\left\{\psi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ is an oblique $K$-dual frame of the $K$-frame $\Phi=\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ on $\mathcal{W}$ if $K x=\sum_{j=1}^{M}\left\langle x, \psi_{j}\right\rangle \varphi_{j}$, for all $x \in \mathcal{W}$.

In the following two propositions a characterization of the oblique $K$-dual frames pair.

Proposition 3.6. Suppose that $\mathcal{W}$ is a subspace of $\mathcal{H}^{N}$ and sequences $\Phi=\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$, $\Psi=\left\{\psi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{L}$ and $\Gamma=\left\{\gamma_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{L}$ in $\mathcal{H}^{N}$ satisfy that $\operatorname{span}(\Phi \cup \Gamma)=\mathcal{W}$. Then the following statements are equivalent:
(i) $\Phi \cup \Psi$ is an oblique $K$-dual frame of $\Phi \cup \Gamma$ on $\mathcal{W}$.
(ii) For any $x \in \mathscr{W},\left(K-S_{\Phi}\right) x=\sum_{j=1}^{L}\left\langle x, \psi_{j}\right\rangle \gamma_{j}$.

Proposition 3.7. If $\Psi=\left\{\psi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ is an oblique $K$-dual frame of $\Phi=\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ on $\mathcal{W}$ and $\Phi$ is $K$-minimal, then the oblique $K$-dual frame of $\Phi$ on $\mathcal{W}$ is unique in the sense that if $\Gamma=\left\{\gamma_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ is another oblique $K$-dual frame of $\Phi$, then $\psi_{j}=\gamma_{j}, j=1, \ldots, M$, where $\Psi, \Gamma$ are restricted in $\mathcal{W}$.

Here, we state that if $\Phi$ is a $K$-frame for $R(K)$, then we can make an oblique $K$ dual frame of algebraic multiplicity of $\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M} \cup\left\{e_{j}\right\}_{j \neq j_{0}}$ where $\left\{e_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{d}$ is an orthonormal eigenbasis of the frame operator $S_{\Phi}$ with associated eigenvalues $\left\{\lambda_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{d}$.
Theorem 3.8. Let $K \in B\left(\mathcal{H}^{N}\right)$ and $\Phi=\left\{\varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M}$ be a $K$-frame for $\mathcal{W}=R(K)$ with $\operatorname{dim} \mathcal{W}=d$. Also, let $\left\{e_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{d}$ be an orthonormal eigenbasis of the frame operator $S_{\Phi}$ with associated eigenvalues $\left\{\lambda_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{d}$. Then for any eigenvalue $0 \neq \lambda_{j_{0}}$, the sequence $\left\{\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_{j_{0}}}} K^{*} \varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M} \cup\left\{\frac{\left(\lambda_{j_{0}}-\lambda_{j}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}}{\sqrt{\lambda_{j_{0}}}} K^{*} e_{j}+K^{*} \gamma_{j}\right\}_{j: j \neq j_{0}}$, is an oblique $K$-dual frame of $\left\{\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_{j_{0}}}} \varphi_{j}\right\}_{j=1}^{M} \cup\left\{\frac{\left(\lambda_{j_{0}}-\lambda_{j}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}}}{\sqrt{\lambda_{j_{0}}}} e_{j}\right\}_{j: j \neq j_{0}}$ on $\mathcal{W}$, where $\left\{\gamma_{j}\right\}_{j_{0} \neq j=1}^{d} \subset \mathcal{H}^{N}$ satisfies

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\sum_{j_{0} \neq j=1}^{d}\left\langle x, K^{*} \gamma_{j}\right\rangle e_{j}=0,(x \in \mathcal{W})
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