

## On duality of modular G-Riesz bases and G-Riesz bases in Hilbert $C^*$ -modules

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we investigate duality of modular g-Riesz bases and g-Riesz bases in Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules. First we give some characterization of g-Riesz bases in Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules, by using properties of operator theory. Next, we characterize the duals of a given g-Riesz basis in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module. In addition, we obtain sufficient and necessary condition for a dual of a g-Riesz basis to be again a g-Riesz basis. We find a situation for a g-Riesz basis to have unique dual g-Riesz basis. Also, we show that every modular g-Riesz basis is a g-Riesz basis in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module but the opposite implication is not true.

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### 1. Introduction

Frames in Hilbert spaces were first introduced in 1952 by Duffin and Schaeffer [5] in the study of nonharmonic Fourier series. They were reintroduced and developed in 1986 by Daubechies, Grossmann and Meyer [4], and popularized from then on.

Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space, and  $J$  a set which is finite or countable. A sequence  $\{f_j\}_{j \in J} \subseteq H$  is called a frame for  $H$  if there exist constants  $C, D > 0$  such that

$$C\|f\|^2 \leq \sum_{j \in J} |\langle f, f_j \rangle|^2 \leq D\|f\|^2 \quad (1)$$

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for all  $f \in H$ . The constants  $C$  and  $D$  are called the frame bounds. We have a tight frame if  $C = D$  and a Parseval frame if  $C = D = 1$ . We refer the reader to [2, 3] for more details.

In [15] Sun introduced a generalized notion of frames and suggested further generalizations, showing that many basic properties of frames can be derived within this more general framework.

Let  $U$  and  $V$  be two Hilbert spaces and  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$  be a sequence of subspaces of  $V$ , where  $J$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Let  $L(U, V_j)$  be the collection of all bounded linear operators from  $U$  to  $V_j$ . We call a sequence  $\{\Lambda_j \in L(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  a generalized frame (or simply a g-frame) for  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$  if there are two positive constants  $C$  and  $D$  such that

$$C\|f\|^2 \leq \sum_{j \in J} \|\Lambda_j f\|^2 \leq D\|f\|^2 \quad (2)$$

for all  $f \in U$ . The constants  $C$  and  $D$  are called g-frame bounds. If  $C = D$  we call have a tight g-frame and if  $C = D = 1$  we have a Parseval g-frame.

The notions of frames and g-frames in Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules were introduced and investigated in [7, 10, 11, 16]. Frank and Larson [6, 7] defined the standard frames in Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules in 1998 and got a series of results for standard frames in finitely or countably generated Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules over unital  $C^*$ -algebras. Extending the results to this more general framework is not a routine generalization, as there are essential differences between Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules and Hilbert spaces. For example, any closed subspace in a Hilbert space has an orthogonal complement, but this fails in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module. Also there is no explicit analogue of the Riesz representation theorem of continuous functionals in Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules. We refer the readers to [13] for more details on Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules, and to [11] and [16], for a discussion of basic properties of g-frame in Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules.

Alijani and Dehghan in [1] studied dual g-frames in Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules. They give some characterizations of dual g-frames for Hilbert spaces and Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules. The main goal of this paper is to study duals of g-Riesz basis in Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules.

This paper is organized as follows. In section 2 we review some basic properties of Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules and g-Riesz bases in this space. In particular we characterize g-frames and g-Riesz bases in Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules. In section 3 we study dual g-Riesz bases in Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules and characterize the duals of a given g-Riesz basis in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module. We also obtain sufficient and necessary condition for a dual of a g-Riesz basis to be again a g-Riesz basis. We find a situation for a g-Riesz basis to have unique dual g-Riesz basis. Also, we show that every modular g-Riesz basis is a g-Riesz basis in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module but the opposite implication is not true.

## 2. Preliminaries

In this section we review basic properties of g-frames in Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules. We also prove some results related to the notion of stability which is used in the next section. Our basic reference for Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules is [13]. For basic details on frames in Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules we refer the reader to [7].

**Definition 2.1** Let  $A$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra with involution  $*$ . An inner product  $A$ -module (or pre Hilbert  $A$ -module) is a complex linear space  $H$  which is a left  $A$ -module with an inner product map  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : H \times H \rightarrow A$  which satisfies the following properties:

- 1)  $\langle \alpha f + \beta g, h \rangle = \alpha \langle f, h \rangle + \beta \langle g, h \rangle$  for all  $f, g, h \in H$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ ;
- 2)  $\langle af, g \rangle = a \langle f, g \rangle$  for all  $f, g \in H$  and  $a \in A$ ;
- 3)  $\langle f, g \rangle = \langle g, f \rangle^*$  for all  $f, g \in H$ ;
- 4)  $\langle f, f \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $f \in H$  and  $\langle f, f \rangle = 0$  iff  $f = 0$ .

For  $f \in H$ , we define a norm on  $H$  by  $\|f\|_H = \|\langle f, f \rangle\|_A^{1/2}$ . If  $H$  is complete in this norm, it is called a (left) Hilbert  $C^*$ -module over  $A$  or a (left) Hilbert  $A$ -module.

An element  $a$  of a  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$  is positive if  $a^* = a$  and the spectrum of  $a$  is a subset of positive real number. In this case, we write  $a \geq 0$ . It is easy to see that  $\langle f, f \rangle \geq 0$  for every  $f \in H$ , hence we define  $|f| = \langle f, f \rangle^{1/2}$ .

If  $H$  be a Hilbert  $C^*$ -module, and  $J$  a set which is finite or countable, a sequence  $\{f_j\}_{j \in J} \subseteq H$  is called a frame for  $H$  if there exist constants  $C, D > 0$  such that

$$C \langle f, f \rangle \leq \sum_{j \in J} \langle f, f_j \rangle \langle f_j, f \rangle \leq D \langle f, f \rangle \tag{3}$$

for all  $f \in H$ . The constants  $C$  and  $D$  are called the frame bounds. The notion of (standard) frames in Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules is first defined by Frank and Larson [7]. Basic properties of frames in Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules are discussed in [8–10].

A. Khosravi and B. Khosravi [11] defined g-frame in Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules. Let  $U$  and  $V$  be two Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules over the same  $C^*$ -algebra  $A$  and  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$  be a sequence of subspaces of  $V$ , where  $J$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Let  $End_A^*(U, V_j)$  be the collection of all adjointable  $A$ -linear maps from  $U$  into  $V_j$ , i.e.  $\langle Tf, g \rangle = \langle f, T^*g \rangle$  for all  $f, g \in H$  and  $T \in End_A^*(U, V_j)$ . We call a sequence  $\{\Lambda_j \in End_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  a generalized frame (or simply a g-frame) for Hilbert  $C^*$ -module  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$  if there are two positive constants  $C$  and  $D$  such that

$$C \langle f, f \rangle \leq \sum_{j \in J} \langle \Lambda_j f, \Lambda_j f \rangle \leq D \langle f, f \rangle \tag{4}$$

for all  $f \in U$ . The constants  $C$  and  $D$  are called g-frame bounds. Those sequences which satisfy only the upper inequality in (2.2) are called g-Bessel sequences. A g-frame is tight, if  $C = D$ . If  $C = D = 1$ , it is called a Parseval g-frame.

**Definition 2.2** [16] A g-frame  $\{\Lambda_j \in End_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$  is called a g-Riesz basis if it satisfies:

- (1)  $\Lambda_j \neq 0$  for any  $j \in J$ ;
- (2) If an  $A$ -linear combination  $\sum_{j \in K} \Lambda_j^* g_j$  is equal to zero, then every summand  $\Lambda_j^* g_j$  is equal to zero, where  $\{g_j\}_{j \in K} \in \bigoplus_{j \in K} V_j$  and  $K \subseteq J$ .

**Example 2.3** Let  $H$  be an ordinary Hilbert space, then  $H$  is a Hilbert  $\mathbb{C}$ -module. Let  $\{e_j : j \in J\}$  be an orthonormal basis for  $H$ , then  $\{e_j : j \in J\}$  is a Parseval frame for Hilbert  $\mathbb{C}$ -module  $H$ .

**Example 2.4** Let  $U$  be an ordinary Hilbert space,  $J = N$  and  $\{e_j\}_{j=1}^\infty$  be an orthonormal basis for Hilbert  $\mathbb{C}$ -module  $U$ . For  $j=1,2,\dots$  we let  $V_j = \overline{span}\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_j\}$ , and  $\Lambda_j : U \rightarrow V_j, \Lambda_j f = \sum_{k=1}^j \langle f, \frac{e_k}{\sqrt{j}} \rangle e_k$ .

We have  $\sum_{j=1}^\infty \langle \Lambda_j f, \Lambda_j f \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^\infty |\langle f, e_j \rangle|^2 = \langle f, f \rangle$ , which implies that  $\{\Lambda_j\}_{j=1}^\infty$  is a g-Parseval frame for  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$ .

**Theorem 2.5** [16] Let  $\Lambda_j \in \text{End}_A^*(U, V_j)$  for any  $j \in J$  and  $\sum_{j \in J} \langle \Lambda_j f, \Lambda_j f \rangle$  converge in norm for  $f \in U$ . Then  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  is a g-frame for  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$  if and only if there exist constants  $C, D > 0$  such that

$$C\|f\|^2 \leq \left\| \sum_{j \in J} \langle \Lambda_j f, \Lambda_j f \rangle \right\| \leq D\|f\|^2, \quad f \in U.$$

**Definition 2.6** Let  $\{\Lambda_j \in \text{End}_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  be a g-frame in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$  and  $\{\Gamma_j \in \text{End}_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  be a sequence of  $A$ -linear operators. Then  $\{\Gamma_j : j \in J\}$  is called a dual sequence operator of  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  if

$$f = \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Gamma_j f$$

for all  $f \in U$ . The sequences  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  and  $\{\Gamma_j : j \in J\}$  are called a dual g-frame when moreover  $\{\Gamma_j : j \in J\}$  is a g-frame.

In [11] the authors defined the g-frame operator  $S$  in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module as follow

$$Sf = \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Lambda_j f, \quad f \in U,$$

and showed that  $S$  is invertible, positive, and self-adjoint. Since

$$\langle Sf, f \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Lambda_j f, f \right\rangle = \sum_{j \in J} \langle \Lambda_j f, \Lambda_j f \rangle,$$

it follows that

$$C\langle f, f \rangle \leq \langle Sf, f \rangle \leq D\langle f, f \rangle,$$

and the following reconstruction formula holds

$$f = SS^{-1}f = S^{-1}Sf = \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Lambda_j S^{-1}f = \sum_{j \in J} S^{-1} \Lambda_j^* \Lambda_j f,$$

for all  $f \in U$ . Let  $\tilde{\Lambda}_j = \Lambda_j S^{-1}$ , then

$$f = \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \tilde{\Lambda}_j f = \sum_{j \in J} \tilde{\Lambda}_j \Lambda_j^* f.$$

The sequence  $\{\tilde{\Lambda}_j : j \in J\}$  is also a g-frame for  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$  (see [11]) which is called the canonical dual g-frame of  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$ .

**Definition 2.7** Let  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  be a g-frame in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$ , then the related analysis operator  $T : U \rightarrow \bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j$  is defined by  $Tf = \{\Lambda_j f : j \in J\}$ , for all  $f \in U$ . We define the synthesis operator  $F : \bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j \rightarrow U$

by  $Ff = F(f_j) = \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* f_j$ , for all  $f = \{f_j\}_{j \in J} \in \bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j$ , where

$$\bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j = \left\{ f = \{f_j\} : f_j \in V_j, \left\| \sum_{j \in J} |f_j|^2 \right\| < \infty \right\}.$$

It has been showed in [16] that if for any  $f = \{f_j\}_{j \in J}$  and  $g = \{g_j\}_{j \in J}$  in  $V_j$  the  $A$ -valued inner product is defined by  $\langle f, g \rangle = \sum_{j \in J} \langle f_j, g_j \rangle$  and the norm is defined by  $\|f\| = \|\langle f, f \rangle\|^{1/2}$ , then  $\bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j$  is a Hilbert  $A$ -module. Hence the above operators are definable. Moreover, since for any  $g = \{g_j\}_{j \in J} \in \bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j$  and  $f \in U$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Tf, g \rangle &= \sum_{j \in J} \langle \Lambda_j f, g_j \rangle = \sum_{j \in J} \langle f, \Lambda_j^* g_j \rangle \\ &= \langle f, \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* g_j \rangle = \langle f, Fg \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

it follows that  $T$  is adjointable and  $T^* = F$ . Also

$$T^*Tf = T^*(\Lambda_j f) = \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Lambda_j f = Sf,$$

for all  $f \in U$ . Let  $P_n$  be the projection on  $\bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j$  that is  $P_n : \bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j \rightarrow \bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j$  is defined by  $P_n f = P_n(\{f_j\}_{j \in J}) = U_j$ , for  $f = \{f_j\}_{j \in J} \in \bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j$ , and  $U_j = f_n$  when  $j = n$  and  $U_j = 0$  when  $j \neq n$ .

**Theorem 2.8** ([14]) Let  $\{\Lambda_j \in \text{End}_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  be a  $g$ -frame in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j\}_{j \in J}$ , then  $\{\Lambda_j\}_{j \in J}$  is a  $g$ -Riesz basis if and only if  $\Lambda_n \neq 0$  and  $P_n(\text{Rang}T) \subseteq \text{Rang}T$  for all  $n \in J$ , where  $T$  is the analysis operator of  $\{\Lambda_j\}_{j \in J}$ .

**Corollary 2.9** A  $g$ -frame  $\{\Lambda_j \in \text{End}_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$  is a  $g$ -Riesz basis if and only if

- (1)  $\Lambda_j \neq 0$  for any  $j \in J$ ;
- (2) If an  $A$ -linear combination  $\sum_{j \in K} \Lambda_j^* g_j$  is equal to zero, then every summand  $\Lambda_j^* g_j$  is equal to zero, where  $\{g_j\}_{j \in K} \in \bigoplus_{j \in K} V_j$  and  $K \subseteq J$ .

### 3. Dual of $g$ -Riesz bases in Hilbert $C^*$ -modules

In this section, we study dual  $g$ -Riesz bases in Hilbert  $C^*$ -modules and characterize the duals of a given  $g$ -Riesz basis in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module. We also obtain sufficient and necessary condition for a dual of a  $g$ -Riesz basis to be again a  $g$ -Riesz basis. We find a situation for a  $g$ -Riesz basis to have unique dual  $g$ -Riesz basis.

**Proposition 3.1** Let  $\{\Lambda_j \in \text{End}_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  and  $\{\Gamma_j \in \text{End}_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  be two  $g$ -Bessel sequences in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$ . If  $f = \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Gamma_j f$  holds for any  $f \in U$ , then both  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  and  $\{\Gamma_j : j \in J\}$  are  $g$ -frames in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$  and  $f = \sum_{j \in J} \Gamma_j^* \Lambda_j f$ .

**Proof.** Let us denote the g-Bessel bound of  $\{\Gamma_j : j \in J\}$  by  $B_\Gamma$ . For all  $f \in U$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|^4 &= \left\| \left\langle \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Gamma_j f, f \right\rangle \right\|^2 = \left\| \sum_{j \in J} \langle \Gamma_j f, \Lambda_j f \rangle \right\|^2 \\ &\leq \left\| \sum_{j \in J} \langle \Gamma_j f, \Gamma_j f \rangle \right\| \cdot \left\| \sum_{j \in J} \langle \Lambda_j f, \Lambda_j f \rangle \right\| \\ &\leq B_\Gamma \|f\|^2 \cdot \left\| \sum_{j \in J} \langle \Lambda_j f, \Lambda_j f \rangle \right\|. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$B_\Gamma^{-1} \|f\|^2 \leq \left\| \sum_{j \in J} \langle \Lambda_j f, \Lambda_j f \rangle \right\|.$$

This implies that  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  is a g-frame in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module. Similarly we can show that  $\{\Gamma_j : j \in J\}$  is also a g-frame of  $U$  respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$ . ■

**Lemma 3.2** Let  $\{\Lambda_j \in \text{End}_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  be a g-frame in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$ . Suppose that  $\{\Gamma_j \in \text{End}_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  and  $\{\Theta_j \in \text{End}_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  are dual g-frames of  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  with the property that either  $\text{Rang}T_\Gamma \subseteq \text{Rang}T_\Theta$  or  $\text{Rang}T_\Theta \subseteq \text{Rang}T_\Gamma$ . Then  $\Gamma_j = \Theta_j \quad \forall j \in J$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that  $\text{Rang}T_\Theta \subseteq \text{Rang}T_\Gamma$ . Then for each  $f \in U$  there exists  $g_f \in U$  such that  $T_\Theta g_f = T_\Gamma f$ .

Applying  $T_\Lambda^*$  on both sides, we arrive at

$$g_f = \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Theta_j g_f = T_\Lambda^* T_\Theta g_f = T_\Lambda^* T_\Gamma f = \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Gamma_j f = f$$

and so  $T_\Gamma f = T_\Theta f, \forall f \in U$ .

Equivalently  $\Gamma_j f = \Theta_j f, \forall j \in J$ . ■

**Theorem 3.3** Let  $\{\Lambda_j \in \text{End}_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  be a g-frame in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$  with analysis operator  $T_\Lambda$ , then the following are equivalence:

- (1)  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  has a unique dual g-frame;
  - (2)  $\text{Rang}T_\Lambda = \bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j$ ;
  - (3) If  $\sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* f_j = 0$  for some sequence  $\{f_j\}_{j \in J} \in \bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j$ , then  $f_j = 0$  for each  $j \in J$ .
- In case the equivalent conditions are satisfied,  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  is a g-Riesz basis.

**Proof.** (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $\{\tilde{\Lambda}_j : j \in J\}$  be the canonical dual g-frame of  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  with analysis operator  $T_{\tilde{\Lambda}}$ . Then  $\tilde{\Lambda}_j = \Lambda_j S^{-1}$ , where  $S$  is g-frame operator.

Let  $\{\Gamma_j : j \in J\}$  be any dual g-frame of  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  with analysis operator  $T_\Gamma$ .

Then

$$\text{Rang}T_\Gamma \subseteq \bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j = \text{Rang}T_\Lambda = \text{Rang}T_{\tilde{\Lambda}}.$$

By Lemma 3.2,  $\Gamma_j = \tilde{\Lambda}_j$  for all  $j \in J$ .

(1)⇒ (2) Assume on the contrary that  $RangT_\Lambda \neq \bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j$ . We have

$$\bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j = RangT_\Lambda \bigoplus KerT_\Lambda^*. \tag{5}$$

Let  $P_\Lambda$  be orthogonal projection from  $\bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j$  onto  $RangT_\Lambda$ , then

$$\bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j = P_\Lambda(\bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j) \bigoplus P_\Lambda^\perp(\bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j).$$

Therefore  $P_\Lambda^\perp = KerT_\Lambda^* \neq \{0\}$ .

Choose  $f_{j_0} \in \bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j$  such that  $P_\Lambda^\perp f_{j_0} \neq 0$  where  $f_{j_0} = 1_{j_0}$  if  $j = j_0$  and  $f_{j_0} = 0$  if  $j \neq j_0$  and  $1_{j_0}$  is unital element of  $V_{j_0}$ . Define an operator  $W : \bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j \rightarrow U$  by  $W\{g_j\} = \Lambda_{j_0}^* g_{j_0}$ .

Now, let  $\{\tilde{\Lambda}_j : j \in J\}$  be the canonical dual of  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  with upper bound  $D_{\tilde{\Lambda}}$  and  $\Gamma_j = \tilde{\Lambda}_j + \Pi_j \Pi W^*$  where  $\Pi : \bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j \rightarrow KerT_\Lambda^*$  and  $\Pi_j : \bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j \rightarrow V_j$  are projection operators.

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j \in J} \langle \Gamma_j f, \Gamma_j f \rangle &\leq 2 \left( \sum_{j \in J} \langle \tilde{\Lambda}_j f, \tilde{\Lambda}_j f \rangle + \sum_{j \in J} \langle \Pi_j \Pi W^* f, \Pi_j \Pi W^* f \rangle \right) \\ &\leq 2 (D_{\tilde{\Lambda}} \langle f, f \rangle + \langle \Pi W^* f, \Pi W^* f \rangle) \\ &\leq (D_{\tilde{\Lambda}} + \|\Pi W^*\|^2) \langle f, f \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $\{\Gamma_j : j \in J\}$  is a g-Bessel sequence.

Now for any  $f \in U$ ,

$$\sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Pi_j \Pi W^* f = T_\Lambda^* \{\Pi_j \Pi W^* f\} = 0.$$

This yields that  $\sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Gamma_j f = \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \tilde{\Lambda}_j f = f$  for all  $f \in U$ . By Proposition 3.1,  $\{\Gamma_j : j \in J\}$  is a dual g-frame of  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  and is different from  $\{\tilde{\Lambda}_j : j \in J\}$ , which contradicts with the uniqueness of dual g-frame of  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$ .

(2)⇔ (3) Obvious by (3.1). ■

**Theorem 3.4** Suppose that  $\{\Lambda_j \in End_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  is a g-Riesz basis in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$  and  $\{\Gamma_j \in End_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  is a sequence of  $A$ -linear operators. Then the following are equivalence:

- (1)  $\{\Gamma_j : j \in J\}$  is a dual g-frame of  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$ ;
- (2)  $\{\Gamma_j : j \in J\}$  is a dual g-Bessel sequence of  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$ ;
- (3) For each  $j \in J$ ,  $\Gamma_j = \Lambda_j S^{-1} + \Theta_j$ , where  $S$  is the g-frame operator of  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  and  $\{\Theta_j : j \in J\}$  is a dual g-Bessel sequence of  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$  satisfying  $\Lambda_j^* \Theta_j f = 0$  for all  $f \in U$  and  $j \in J$ .

**Theorem 3.5** Let  $\{\Lambda_j \in End_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  be a g-Riesz basis in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$  and  $\{\Gamma_j : j \in J\}$  a sequence of  $A$ -linear operators. Then  $\{\Gamma_j : j \in J\}$  is a dual g-Riesz basis of  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  if and only if for each  $j \in J$ ,

$\Gamma_j = \Lambda_j S^{-1} + \Theta_j$ , where  $S$  is the g-frame operator of  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  and  $\{\Theta_j : j \in J\}$  is a g-Bessel sequence of  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$  with the property that for each  $j \in J$  there exists operator  $F_j \in \text{End}_A^*(V_j, V_j)$  such that  $\Theta_j = F_j \Lambda_j S^{-1}$  and  $\Lambda_j^* F_j \Lambda_j f = 0$  holds for all  $f \in U$ .

**Proof.**  $\Rightarrow$  Suppose that  $\{\Gamma_j : j \in J\}$  is a dual g-Riesz basis of  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  and let  $\Theta_j = \Gamma_j - \Lambda_j S^{-1}$ . It is easy to see that  $\{\Theta_j : j \in J\}$  is a g-Bessel sequence of  $U$ . Now fix an  $n \in J$ . From  $\sum_{j \in J} \Gamma_j \Lambda_j^*(\Gamma_n f) = \Gamma_n f$  we can infer that  $\Gamma_n = \Gamma_n \Lambda_n^* \Gamma_n$ , i.e.

$$\Lambda_n S^{-1} + \Theta_n = (\Lambda_n S^{-1} + \Theta_n) \Lambda_n^* (\Lambda_n S^{-1} + \Theta_n)$$

Consequently, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta_n &= (\Lambda_n S^{-1} \Lambda_n^* + \Theta_n \Lambda_n^*) (\Lambda_n S^{-1} + \Theta_n) - \Lambda_n S^{-1} \\ &= \Lambda_n S^{-1} \Lambda_n^* \Lambda_n S^{-1} + \Lambda_n S^{-1} \Lambda_n^* \Theta_n + \Theta_n \Lambda_n^* \Lambda_n S^{-1} + \Theta_n \Lambda_n^* \Theta_n - \Lambda_n S^{-1} \\ &= \Lambda_n S^{-1} \Lambda_n^* \Theta_n + \Theta_n \Lambda_n^* \Lambda_n S^{-1} + \Theta_n \Lambda_n^* \Theta_n. \end{aligned}$$

We show that  $\Lambda_n S^{-1} \Lambda_n^* \Theta_n + \Theta_n \Lambda_n^* \Lambda_n S^{-1} = 0$ .

Note that

$$f = \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Gamma_j f = \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* (\Lambda_j S^{-1} + \Theta_j) f = \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Lambda_j S^{-1} f + \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Theta_j f = f + \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Theta_j f,$$

which implies that  $\sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Theta_j f = 0$  and  $\Lambda_j^* \Theta_j f = 0$  for all  $f \in U$  and  $j \in J$ .

Particularly, we have  $\Lambda_n^* \Theta_n f = 0$  for all  $f \in U$ . This yields that  $\Lambda_n S^{-1} \Lambda_n^* \Theta_n = 0$  and  $\Theta_n \Lambda_n^* \Theta_n = 0$ .

Therefore  $\Theta_n = \Theta_n \Lambda_n^* \Lambda_n S^{-1}$ . Suppose  $F_n = \Theta_n \Lambda_n^*$ , then  $\Theta_n = F_n \Lambda_n S^{-1}$ .

From  $\Lambda_n^* \Theta_n = 0$ , we have  $\Lambda_n^* \Theta_n \Lambda_n^* \Lambda_n f = 0$  i.e.  $F_n \Lambda_n^* \Lambda_n f = 0$ .

$\Leftarrow$  Suppose that for each  $j \in J$  there exists operator  $F_j \in \text{End}_A^*(V_j, V_j)$  such that  $\Theta_j = F_j \Lambda_j S^{-1}$  and  $\Lambda_j^* F_j \Lambda_j f = 0$  holds for all  $f \in U$ . Then for all  $f \in U$  we have

$$\sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Gamma_j f = \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Lambda_j S^{-1} f = \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* \Theta_j f = f + \sum_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^* F_j \Lambda_j S^{-1} f = f.$$

Therefore  $\{\Gamma_j : j \in J\}$  is a dual sequence of  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$ .

With similar proof of Theorem 3.3,  $\{\Gamma_j : j \in J\}$  is a g-Bessel sequence and by Proposition 3.1,  $\{\Gamma_j : j \in J\}$  is dual g-frame of  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$ .

To complete the proof, we need to show that  $\{\Gamma_j : j \in J\}$  is a g-Riesz basis of  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$ .

Let  $\sum_{j \in J} \Gamma_j^* f_j = 0$ , then we have

$$0 = \sum_{j \in J} (S^{-1} \Lambda_j^* + \Theta_j^*) f_j = \sum_{j \in J} (S^{-1} \Lambda_j^* + S^{-1} \Lambda_j^* F_j^*) f_j = \sum_{j \in J} S^{-1} \Lambda_j^* (I_j + F_j^*) f_j.$$

Since  $\{S^{-1} \Lambda_j^* : j \in J\}$  is a g-Riesz basis then  $S^{-1} \Lambda_j^* (I_j + F_j^*) f_j = 0$ , i.e.  $\Gamma_j^* f_j = 0$  for all  $j \in J$ .

We now show that  $\Gamma_j \neq 0$  for all  $j \in J$ .

Assume on the contrary that  $\Gamma_n = 0$  for some  $n \in J$ . Then  $\Theta_n = -\Lambda_n S^{-1}$ . It follows



that

$$0 = \Lambda_n^* F_n \Lambda_n f = \Lambda_n^* S \Theta_n f = -\Lambda_n^* \Lambda_n f$$

holds for all  $f \in U$ .

In particular, letting  $f = S^{-1} \Lambda_n^* g$  for some  $g \in U$ , we have  $-\Lambda_n^* \Lambda_n S^{-1} \Lambda_n^* g = -\Lambda_n^* g = 0$ , therefore  $\Lambda_n = 0$ , a contradiction. This completes the proof. ■

**Corollary 3.6** Suppose that  $\{\Lambda_j \in \text{End}_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  is a g-Riesz basis in Hilbert C\*-module  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$  and  $\Lambda_j$  is surjective for any  $j \in J$ . Then  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  has a unique dual g-Riesz basis.

**Proof.** Let  $f_j \in V_j$  for some  $j \in J$ , then there exists  $f \in U$  such that  $\Lambda_j f = f_j$ . Therefore, we have

$$\Theta_j^* f_j = S^{-1} \Lambda_j^* F_j^* \Lambda_j f = S^{-1} 0 = 0.$$

■

**Corollary 3.7** Suppose that  $\{f_j : j \in J\}$  is a Riesz basis in Hilbert A-module  $H$  and operator  $T_j : H \rightarrow A$  defined by  $T_j f = \langle f, f_j \rangle$  is surjective for any  $j \in J$ . Then  $\{f_j : j \in J\}$  has a unique dual Riesz basis.

**Definition 3.8** Let  $\{\Lambda_j \in \text{End}_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$

(i) If the A-linear hull of  $\bigcup_{j \in J} \Lambda_j^*(V_j)$  is dense in  $U$ , then  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  is g-complete.

(ii) If  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  is g-complete and there exist real constant  $A, B$  such that for any finite subset  $S \subseteq J$  and  $g_j \in V_j, j \in S$

$$A \left\| \sum_{j \in S} |g_j|^2 \right\| \leq \left\| \sum_{j \in S} \Lambda_j^* g_j \right\|^2 \leq B \left\| \sum_{j \in S} |g_j|^2 \right\|,$$

then  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  is a modular g-Riesz basis for  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$ .  $A$  and  $B$  are called bounds of  $\{\Lambda_j \in \text{End}_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$ .

**Theorem 3.9** ([12]) A sequence  $\{\Lambda_j \in \text{End}_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  is a modular g-Riesz basis if and only if the synthesis operator  $F$  is a homeomorphism.

**Theorem 3.10** Let  $\{\Lambda_j \in \text{End}_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  then the following two statements are equivalent:

(1) The sequence  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  is a modular g-Riesz basis for Hilbert C\*-module  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$  with bounds  $A$  and  $B$ ;

(2) The sequence  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  is a g-frame for Hilbert C\*-module  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$  with bounds  $A$  and  $B$ , and if an A-linear combination  $\sum_{j \in S} \Lambda_j^* g_j = 0$  for  $\{g_j\}_{j \in J} \in \bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j$ , then  $g_j = 0$  for all  $j \in J$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\rightarrow$  (2) By Theorem 3.9 the operator  $F : \bigoplus V_j \rightarrow U$  is a linear homeomorphism. Hence the operator  $F$  is onto and therefore by Theorem 3.2 in [16]  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  is a g-frame. Also, since  $F$  is injective

$$\text{Ker } F = \left\{ \{g_j\}_{j \in J} \in \bigoplus_{j \in J} V_j : F(\{g_j\}_{j \in J}) = \sum_{j \in S} \Lambda_j^* g_j = 0 \right\} = \{0\}. \tag{6}$$

This implies the statement (2).

(2)→ (1) By Theorem 3.2 in [16] the operator  $F$  is injective and by (3.2)  $F$  is injective. Therefore  $F$  is homeomorphism and by Theorem ?  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  is a modular g-Riesz basis. ■

**Corollary 3.11** Every modular g-Riesz basis is a g-Riesz basis.

**Proof.** By Definition 3.8 and Theorem 3.9. ■

**Corollary 3.12** Let  $\{\Lambda_j \in \text{End}_A^*(U, V_j) : j \in J\}$  then the following two statements are equivalent:

(1) The sequence  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  is a modular g-Riesz basis for Hilbert  $C^*$ -module  $U$  with respect to  $\{V_j : j \in J\}$ .

(2) The sequence  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  has a unique dual modular g-Riesz basis.

**Proof.** (1)→ (2) Every modular g-Riesz basis is a g-Riesz basis and every g-Riesz basis is a g-frame. So every modular g-Riesz basis is a g-frame. Now by Theorem 3.3 and Theorem 3.10  $\{\Lambda_j : j \in J\}$  has a unique dual modular g-Riesz basis.

(2)→ (1) The proof by Theorem 3.3 and Theorem 3.10 is straightforward. ■

Next example shows in Hilbert  $C^*$ -module setting, every Riesz basis is not a modular Riesz basis, so every g-Riesz basis is not a modular g-Riesz basis.

**Example 3.13** Let  $A = M_{2 \times 2}(C)$  be the  $C^*$ -algebra of all  $2 \times 2$  complex matrices. Let  $H = A$  and for any  $A, B \in H$  define  $\langle A, B \rangle = AB^*$ . Then  $H$  is a Hilbert  $A$ -module.

Let  $E_{i,j}$  be the matrix with 1 in the  $(i, j)$ th entry and 0 elsewhere, where  $1 \leq i, j \leq 2$ . Then  $\Phi = \{E_{1,1}, E_{2,2}\}$  is a Riesz basis of  $H$  but is not a modular Riesz basis.

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