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Abstract: Let T be a bounded linear operator in a Banach space, with $\sigma(T) = \{1\}$. In 1990, M. Berkani presented a conjecture on the decay of differences $(I - T)T^n$ as $n \to \infty$. More precisely, either

$$\liminf_{n \to \infty} \left((n+1) \right\| \left(I - T \right) T^n \right\| \ge 1/e$$

or T = I. We prove this claim and discuss some of its consequences.

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