

## SPECTRAL PROPERTIES OF $k$ -QUASI- $*$ - $A(n)$ OPERATORS

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, we prove the following assertions: (1) If  $T$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, then  $T$  is polaroid. (2) If  $T$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, then the spectrum  $\sigma$  is continuous. (3) If  $T$  or  $T^*$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, then Weyl's theorem holds for  $f(T)$  for every  $f \in H(\sigma(T))$ . (4) If  $T^*$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, then generalized  $a$ -Weyl's theorem holds for  $f(T)$  for every  $f \in H(\sigma(T))$ . Finally, the finiteness of a quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator is also studied.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $H$  be an infinite dimensional separable Hilbert space, denote  $B(H)$  the algebra of all bounded linear operators on  $H$ . If  $T \in B(H)$ , write  $N(T)$  and  $R(T)$  for the null space and range space of  $T$ , respectively;  $\sigma(T)$ ,  $\sigma_a(T)$ ,  $\sigma_p(T)$  and  $\pi(T)$  for the spectrum of  $T$ , the approximate point spectrum of  $T$ , the point spectrum of  $T$  and the set of poles of the resolvent of  $T$ . Let  $p = p(T)$  be the ascent of  $T$ ; i.e., the smallest nonnegative integer  $p$  such that  $N(T^p) = N(T^{p+1})$ , if such an integer does not exist, then we put  $p(T) = \infty$ . Analogously, let  $q = q(T)$  be the descent of  $T$ ; i.e., the smallest nonnegative integer  $q$  such that  $R(T^q) = R(T^{q+1})$ , and if such an integer does not exist, then we put  $q(T) = \infty$ .

As natural extensions of hyponormal operators, some operator classes have been introduced in recent years. Let  $n, k$  be positive integers and  $T \in B(H)$ .

- (1) An operator  $T$  is said to be quasi- $*$ - $A$  if  $T^*|T^2|T \geq T^*|T^*|^2T$ .
- (2) An operator  $T$  is said to be  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A$  if  $T^{*k}|T^2|T^k \geq T^{*k}|T^*|^2T^k$ .
- (3) An operator  $T$  is said to be  $*$ - $A(n)$  if  $|T^{1+n}|^{\frac{2}{1+n}} \geq |T^*|^2$ .

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(4) An operator  $T$  is said to be quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  if  $T^*|T^{1+n}|^{\frac{2}{1+n}}T \geq T^*|T^*|^2T$ .

(5) An operator  $T$  is said to be  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  if  $T^{*k}|T^{1+n}|^{\frac{2}{1+n}}T^k \geq T^{*k}|T^*|^2T^k$ .

Shen, Zuo and Yang[23] introduced quasi- $*$ - $A$  operators. As an extension of quasi- $*$ - $A$  operators, Mecheri[17] introduced  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A$  operators. Recently, Zuo and Shen[26] introduced  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operators which are generalization of  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A$  operators.

By definition,  $*$ - $A(n) \Rightarrow$  quasi- $*$ - $A(n) \Rightarrow k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$ .

Let  $K = \bigoplus_{n=1}^{+\infty} H_n$ , where  $H_n \cong H$ . For given positive operators  $A$  and  $B$  on  $H$ , define the operator  $T_{A,B}$  on  $K$  as follows:

$$T_{A,B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ A & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & A & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & 0 & B & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & B & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & B & 0 & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}.$$

By straightforward computations, the following assertions hold:

- i).  $T_{A,B}$  belongs to  $*$ - $A(n)$  if and only if  $B^2 \geq A^2$  and  $(AB^{2n}A)^{\frac{1}{n+1}} \geq A^2$ .
- ii).  $T_{A,B}$  belongs to 2-quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  if and only if  $A^2B^2A^2 \geq A^6$ .

Now we provide an operator which is 2-quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  but not  $*$ - $A(n)$  operator as follows.

**Example 1.1.** A non- $*$ - $A(n)$  and 2-quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator.

Take  $A$  and  $B$  as

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then

$$B^2 - A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \not\geq 0.$$

Thus  $T_{A,B}$  is a non- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator.

On the other hand, we have

$$A^2(B^2 - A^2)A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \geq 0.$$

Hence  $T_{A,B}$  is a 2-quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator.

## 2. SOME PROPERTIES OF $k$ -QUASI- $*$ - $A(n)$ OPERATORS

To study non-normal operator  $T$ , it is important to know that  $T$  has the single valued extension property(abbrev. SVEP).  $T$  has SVEP, if for every open set  $U$  of  $\mathbb{C}$ , the only analytic solution  $f : U \rightarrow H$  of the equation  $(T - \lambda)f(\lambda) = 0$  for all  $\lambda \in U$  is the zero function on  $U$ . For  $T \in B(H)$  and  $x \in H$ , the set  $\rho_T(x)$ , called the local resolvent set of  $T$  at  $x$ , is defined to consist of all  $\lambda_0 \in \mathbb{C}$  such that there exists an analytic function  $f(z)$  defined in a neighborhood of  $\lambda_0$ , with values in  $H$ , which satisfies  $(T - \lambda)f(\lambda) = x$ . We define the complement of  $\rho_T(x)$  by

$\sigma_T(x)$ , called the local spectrum of  $T$  at  $x$ , and define the local spectral subspaces  $H_T(F) := \{x \in F : \sigma_T(x) \subseteq F\}$  for each set  $F \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ .

Let  $\text{iso } \sigma(T)$  denote the set of all isolated points of  $\sigma(T)$ . The operator  $T$  is called isoloid if  $\text{iso } \sigma(T) \subset \sigma_p(T)$  and polaroid if  $\text{iso } \sigma(T) \subset \pi(T)$ . In general, if  $T$  is polaroid then it is isoloid. However, the converse is not true.

For every  $T \in B(H)$ ,  $\sigma$  is a compact subset of  $\mathbb{C}$ . The function  $\sigma$  viewed as a function from each  $T$  into its spectrum  $\sigma(T)$ , equipped with the Hausdorff metric, is well known to be upper semi-continuous, but fails to be continuous in general. Conway and Morrell[10] have carried out a detailed study of spectral continuity in  $B(H)$ . Recently, the continuity of spectrum was considered when restricted to certain subsets of the entire manifold of Toeplitz operators[14]. And this result has been extended to  $p$ -hyponormal operators[15], to  $(p, k)$ -quasihyponormal,  $M$ -hyponormal,  $*$ -paranormal and paranormal operators[12]. In the following, we extend this result to  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operators.

Before we state our main theorem, we need several preliminary results.

**Lemma 2.1.** [26] i). *If  $T$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, then  $T$  has the following matrix representation:*

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} T_1 & T_2 \\ 0 & T_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $T_1$  is  $*$ - $A(n)$  on  $\overline{R(T^k)}$  and  $T_3^k = 0$ . Furthermore,  $\sigma(T) = \sigma(T_1) \cup \{0\}$ .

ii). *If  $T$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator and  $\lambda \neq 0$ , then  $Tx = \lambda x$  implies  $T^*x = \bar{\lambda}x$ .*

**Lemma 2.2.** [22] i). *If  $T$  is a  $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, then  $T$  has SVEP.*

ii). *If  $T$  is a  $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, then  $T$  is simply polaroid.*

**Theorem 2.3.** *If  $T$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, then  $T$  has SVEP.*

*Proof.* If the range of  $T^k$  is dense, then  $T$  is a  $*$ - $A(n)$  operator. Hence  $T$  has SVEP by Lemma 2.2. Thus we can assume that the range of  $T^k$  is not dense. By Lemma 2.1, we have

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} T_1 & T_2 \\ 0 & T_3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ on } H = \overline{R(T^k)} \oplus N(T^{*k}).$$

Assume  $(T - z)f(z) = 0$ . Put  $f(z) = f_1(z) \oplus f_2(z)$  on  $H = \overline{R(T^k)} \oplus N(T^{*k})$ . Then we can write

$$\begin{pmatrix} T_1 - z & T_2 \\ 0 & T_3 - z \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_1(z) \\ f_2(z) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (T_1 - z)f_1(z) + T_2f_2(z) \\ (T_3 - z)f_2(z) \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

Since  $T_3$  is nilpotent,  $T_3$  has SVEP. Hence  $f_2(z) = 0$ . Then  $(T_1 - z)f_1(z) = 0$ . Since  $T_1$  is a  $*$ - $A(n)$  operator,  $T_1$  has SVEP by Lemma 2.2. Hence  $f_1(z) = 0$ . Consequently,  $T$  has SVEP.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.4.** *If  $T$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator and  $\|T^m\| = \|T\|^m$  for some positive integer  $m \geq k$ , then  $T$  is normaloid.*

*Proof.* If  $T$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, then  $T^{*k}|T^{1+n}|^{\frac{2}{1+n}}T^k \geq T^{*k}|T^*|^2T^k$ . We have  $\|T^{1+n+k}x\| \|T^kx\|^n \geq \|T^*T^kx\|^{1+n}$  for every  $x \in H$ . Since  $m \geq k$ , and hence

$$\|T^{1+n+m}x\| \|T^mx\|^n \geq \|T^*T^mx\|^{1+n}$$

for every  $x \in H$ , which implies that

$$\|T^{1+n+m}\| \|T^m\|^n \geq \|T^*T^m\|^{1+n}.$$

Then, by the above inequality and  $\|T^m\| = \|T\|^m$

$$\begin{aligned} \|T\|^{(m-1)(1+n)} \|T^{1+n+m}\| \|T\|^{mn} &\geq \|T^{*(m-1)}\|^{1+n} \|T^{1+n+m}\| \|T^m\|^n \\ &\geq \|T^{*(m-1)}\|^{1+n} \|T^*T^m\|^{1+n} \geq \|T^{*m}T^m\|^{1+n} = \|T^m\|^{2(1+n)} = \|T\|^{2m(1+n)}, \end{aligned}$$

and therefore

$$\|T^{1+n+m}\| = \|T\|^{1+n+m}.$$

Thus, by induction,  $\|T^{(1+n)j+m}\| = \|T\|^{(1+n)j+m}$  for every  $j \geq 1$ . This yields a subsequence  $\{T^{n_j}\}$  of  $\{T^n\}$ , say  $T^{n_j} = T^{(1+n)j+m}$ , such that  $\lim_j \|T^{n_j}\|^{\frac{1}{n_j}} = \lim_j (\|T\|^{n_j})^{\frac{1}{n_j}} = \|T\|$ . Since  $\{\|T^n\|^{\frac{1}{n}}\}$  is a convergent sequence that converges to the spectral radius of  $T$ , and since it has a subsequence that converges to  $\|T\|$ , it follows that  $r(T) = \|T\|$ , where  $r(T)$  is the spectral radius of  $T$ . Hence  $T$  is normaloid.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.5.** *If  $T$  is a quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, then  $T$  is normaloid.*

**Corollary 2.6.** *If  $T$  is a  $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, then  $T$  is normaloid.*

**Proposition 2.7.** *If  $T$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator and  $\sigma(T) = \{0\}$ , then  $T^{k+1} = 0$ .*

*Proof.* If the range of  $T^k$  is dense, then  $T$  is a  $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, which leads to that  $T$  is normaloid, hence  $T = 0$ . If the range of  $T^k$  is not dense, then

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} T_1 & T_2 \\ 0 & T_3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ on } H = \overline{R(T^k)} \oplus N(T^{*k})$$

where  $T_1$  is a  $*$ - $A(n)$  operator,  $T_3^k = 0$  and  $\sigma(T) = \sigma(T_1) \cup \{0\}$  by Lemma 2.1. If  $\sigma(T_1) = \{0\}$ , then  $T_1 = 0$ . Thus

$$T^{k+1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & T_2 \\ 0 & T_3 \end{pmatrix}^{k+1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & T_2 T_3^k \\ 0 & T_3^{k+1} \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

$\square$

**Theorem 2.8.** *If  $T$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator and  $\lambda$  is a non-zero isolated point of  $\sigma(T)$ , then  $\lambda$  is a simple pole of the resolvent of  $T$ . Furthermore,  $T$  is polaroid.*

*Proof.* If  $\lambda \neq 0$ , assume that  $R(T^k)$  is dense. Then  $T$  is  $*$ - $A(n)$  and  $\lambda$  is a simple pole of the resolvent of  $T$  by Lemma 2.2. So we may assume that  $T^k$  does not have dense range. Then by Lemma 2.1 the operator  $T$  can be decomposed as follows:

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} T_1 & T_2 \\ 0 & T_3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ on } H = \overline{R(T^k)} \oplus N(T^{*k}),$$

where  $T_1$  is a  $*\text{-}A(n)$  operator on  $\overline{R(T^k)}$ . Now if  $\lambda$  is a non-zero isolated point of  $\sigma(T)$ , then  $\lambda \in \text{iso } \sigma(T_1)$  because  $\sigma(T) = \sigma(T_1) \cup \{0\}$ . Therefore  $\lambda$  is a simple pole of the resolvent of  $T_1$  and the  $*\text{-}A(n)$  operator  $T_1$  can be written as follows:

$$T_1 = \begin{pmatrix} T_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & T_{12} \end{pmatrix} \text{ on } \overline{R(T^k)} = N(T_1 - \lambda) \oplus \overline{R(T_1 - \lambda)},$$

where  $\sigma(T_{11}) = \{\lambda\}$ . Therefore

$$T - \lambda = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & T_{21} \\ 0 & T_{12} - \lambda & T_{22} \\ 0 & 0 & T_3 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & D \\ 0 & F \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{on } H = N(T_1 - \lambda) \oplus \overline{R(T_1 - \lambda)} \oplus N(T^{*k}),$$

where

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} T_{12} - \lambda & T_{22} \\ 0 & T_3 - \lambda \end{pmatrix}.$$

Now, we claim that  $F$  is an invertible operator on  $\overline{R(T_1 - \lambda)} \oplus N(T^{*k})$ . First we verify that  $T_{12} - \lambda$  is invertible. If not, then  $\lambda$  will be an isolated point in  $\sigma(T_{12})$ . Since  $T_{12}$  is  $*\text{-}A(n)$ ,  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $T_{12}$  and thus  $T_{12}x = \lambda x$  for some non-zero vector  $x$  in  $\overline{R(T_1 - \lambda)}$ . On the other hand,  $T_1x = T_{12}x$  implying  $x$  is in  $N(T_1 - \lambda)$ . Hence  $x$  must be a zero vector. This contradiction shows that  $T_{12} - \lambda$  is invertible. Since  $T_3 - \lambda$  is also invertible, it follows that  $F$  is invertible. It is easy to show that  $p(T - \lambda) = q(T - \lambda) = 1$ . Hence  $\lambda$  is a simple pole of the resolvent of  $T$ .

If  $\lambda = 0$ , by Theorem 2.3  $T$  has SVEP. Define the quasinilpotent part  $H_0(T - \lambda) = \{x \in H : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|(T - \lambda)^n x\|^{\frac{1}{n}} = 0\}$ ,  $H_0(T - \lambda) = H_T(\{\lambda\})$  [1, Theorem 2.20], then  $H_0(T - \lambda)$  is closed and  $\sigma(T|_{H_0(T - \lambda)}) \subseteq \{\lambda\}$  by [16, proposition 1.2.19]. Let  $S = T|_{H_0(T - \lambda)}$ . Then  $S$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*\text{-}A(n)$  operator. Since  $\sigma(S) = \{0\}$ ,  $S^{k+1} = 0$  by Proposition 2.7, and  $H_0(T) \subseteq N(T^{k+1})$ . Hence in either case  $H_0(T) = N(T^{k+1})$ . Consequently,  $T$  is polaroid.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.9.** *If  $T$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*\text{-}A(n)$  operator, then  $T$  is isoloid.*

In the following, we prove that the spectrum  $\sigma$  is continuous on the set of  $k$ -quasi- $*\text{-}A(n)$  operators, the key lemma due to Berberian[4].

**Lemma 2.10.** [4] *Let  $H$  be a complex Hilbert space. Then there exists a Hilbert space  $K$  such that  $H \subset K$  and a map  $\varphi : B(H) \rightarrow B(K)$  such that*

- i).  $\varphi$  is a faithful  $*\text{-}$ representation of the algebra  $B(H)$  on  $K$ ;
- ii).  $\varphi(A) \geq 0$  for any  $A \geq 0$  in  $B(H)$ ;
- iii).  $\sigma_a(T) = \sigma_a(\varphi(T)) = \sigma_p(\varphi(T))$  for any  $T \in B(H)$ .

**Theorem 2.11.** *The spectrum  $\sigma$  is continuous on the set of  $k$ -quasi- $*\text{-}A(n)$  operators.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $T$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*\text{-}A(n)$  operator. Let  $\varphi : B(H) \rightarrow B(K)$  be Berberian's faithful  $\varphi$ -representation of Lemma 2.10. In the following, we shall

show that  $\varphi(T)$  is also a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator. In fact, since  $T$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, by Lemma 2.10, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (\varphi(T))^{*k} (|(\varphi(T))^{1+n}|^{\frac{2}{1+n}} - |(\varphi(T))^*|^2) (\varphi(T))^k \\ &= \varphi(T^{*k} (|T^{1+n}|^{\frac{2}{1+n}} - |T^*|^2) T^k) \\ &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have that its Berberian extension  $\varphi(T)$  is also a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, By Lemma 2.1 and Proposition 2.7 we have that  $T$  belongs to the set  $C(i)$  (see definition in [12]). So we have that the spectrum  $\sigma$  is continuous on the set of  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  by [12, Theorem 1.1]. This completes the proof.  $\square$

### 3. WEYL TYPE THEOREMS

An operator  $T$  is called Fredholm if  $R(T)$  is closed,  $\alpha(T) = \dim N(T) < \infty$  and  $\beta(T) = \dim H/R(T) < \infty$ . Moreover if  $i(T) = \alpha(T) - \beta(T) = 0$ , then  $T$  is called Weyl. The essential spectrum  $\sigma_e(T)$  and the Weyl spectrum  $\sigma_W(T)$  are defined by

$$\sigma_e(T) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : T - \lambda \text{ is not Fredholm}\}$$

and

$$\sigma_W(T) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : T - \lambda \text{ is not Weyl}\},$$

respectively. It is known that  $\sigma_e(T) \subset \sigma_W(T) \subset \sigma_e(T) \cup \text{acc } \sigma(T)$  where we write  $\text{acc } K$  for the set of all accumulation points of  $K \subset \mathbb{C}$ .

Let

$$\pi_{00}(T) = \{\lambda \in \text{iso } \sigma(T) : 0 < \alpha(T - \lambda) < \infty\}.$$

We say that Weyl's theorem holds for  $T$  if

$$\sigma(T) \setminus \sigma_W(T) = \pi_{00}(T).$$

The operator  $T$  is called Browder if it is Fredholm of finite ascent and descent. The Browder spectrum of  $T$  is given by  $\sigma_b(T) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : T - \lambda \text{ is not Browder}\}$ . We say that Browder's theorem holds for  $T$  if

$$\sigma_W(T) = \sigma_b(T).$$

More generally, Berkani investigated  $B$ -Fredholm theory as follows (see [5, 6, 7]). An operator  $T$  is called  $B$ -Fredholm if there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $R(T^n)$  is closed and the induced operator

$$T_{[n]} : R(T^n) \ni x \rightarrow Tx \in R(T^n)$$

is Fredholm, i.e.,  $R(T_{[n]}) = R(T^{n+1})$  is closed,  $\alpha(T_{[n]}) = \dim N(T_{[n]}) < \infty$  and  $\beta(T_{[n]}) = \dim R(T^n)/R(T_{[n]}) < \infty$ . Similarly, a  $B$ -Fredholm operator  $T$  is called  $B$ -Weyl if  $i(T_{[n]}) = 0$ . The following result is due to Berkani and Sarik [7].

**Proposition 3.1.** *Let  $T \in B(H)$ .*

i). *If  $R(T^n)$  is closed and  $T_{[n]}$  is Fredholm, then  $R(T^m)$  is closed and  $T_{[m]}$  is Fredholm for every  $m \geq n$ . Moreover,  $i(T_{[m]}) = i(T_{[n]}) (= i(T))$ .*

ii). *An operator  $T$  is  $B$ -Fredholm ( $B$ -Weyl) if and only if there exist  $T$ -invariant subspaces  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $\mathcal{N}$  such that  $T = T|_{\mathcal{M}} \oplus T|_{\mathcal{N}}$  where  $T|_{\mathcal{M}}$  is Fredholm (Weyl) and  $T|_{\mathcal{N}}$  is nilpotent.*

The  $B$ -Weyl spectrum  $\sigma_{BW}(T)$  is defined by

$$\sigma_{BW}(T) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : T - \lambda \text{ is not } B\text{-Weyl}\} \subset \sigma_W(T).$$

We say that generalized Weyl's theorem holds for  $T$  if

$$\sigma(T) \setminus \sigma_{BW}(T) = E(T)$$

where  $E(T)$  denotes the set of all isolated points of the spectrum which are eigenvalues (no restriction on multiplicity). Note that, if the generalized Weyl's theorem holds for  $T$ , then so does Weyl's theorem [6]. Recently Berkani and Arroud showed that if  $T$  is hyponormal, then generalized Weyl's theorem holds for  $T$  in [5].

We define  $T \in SF_+^-(H)$  if  $R(T)$  is closed,  $\alpha(T) < \infty$  and  $i(T) \leq 0$ . Let  $\pi_{00}^a(T)$  denote the set of all isolated points  $\lambda$  of  $\sigma_a(T)$  with  $0 < \alpha(T - \lambda) < \infty$ . Let  $\sigma_{SF_+^-}(T) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : T - \lambda \notin SF_+^-(H)\} \subset \sigma_W(T)$ . We say that  $a$ -Weyl's theorem holds for  $T$  if

$$\sigma_a(T) \setminus \sigma_{SF_+^-}(T) = \pi_{00}^a(T).$$

Rakočević [20, Corollary 2.5] proved that if  $a$ -Weyl's theorem holds for  $T$ , then Weyl's theorem holds for  $T$ .

We define  $T \in SBF_+^-(H)$  if there exists a positive integer  $n$  such that  $R(T^n)$  is closed,  $T_{[n]} : R(T^n) \ni x \rightarrow Tx \in R(T^n)$  is upper semi-Fredholm (i.e.,  $R(T_{[n]}) = R(T^{n+1})$  is closed,  $\dim N(T_{[n]}) = \dim N(T) \cap R(T^n) < \infty$ ) and  $0 \geq i(T_{[n]}) (= i(T))$  [7]. We define  $\sigma_{SBF_+^-}(T) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : T - \lambda \notin SBF_+^-(H)\} \subset \sigma_{SF_+^-}(T)$ . Let  $E^a(T)$  denote the set of all isolated points  $\lambda$  of  $\sigma_a(T)$  with  $0 < \alpha(T - \lambda)$ . We say that generalized  $a$ -Weyl's theorem holds for  $T$  if

$$\sigma_a(T) \setminus \sigma_{SBF_+^-}(T) = E^a(T).$$

An operator  $T \in B(H)$  satisfies  $a$ -Browder's theorem if  $\sigma_{ea}(T) = \sigma_{ab}(T)$  (where  $\sigma_{ab}(T) = \{\sigma_a(T + K) : TK = KT \text{ and } K \text{ is a compact operator}\}$ ) and  $T$  satisfies generalized  $a$ -Browder's theorem if  $\sigma_{SBF_+^-}(T) = \sigma_a(T) \setminus \pi^a(T)$ .

It's known from [6, 11, 13, 21] that if  $T \in B(H)$  then we have  
 generalized  $a$ -Weyl's theorem  $\Rightarrow$   $a$ -Weyl's theorem  $\Rightarrow$  Weyl's theorem;  
 generalized  $a$ -Weyl's theorem  $\Rightarrow$  generalized  $a$ -Browder's theorem  $\Rightarrow$  Browder's theorem.

Weyl[24] discovered that Weyl's theorem holds for hermitian operators, which has been extended from hermitian operators to hyponormal operators[9], to analytically class  $A$  operators by Cao[8], and to quasi- $*$ - $A$  operators[27]. In this paper, we extend it to  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operators.

In the following theorem,  $H(\sigma(T))$  denotes the space of functions analytic in an open neighborhood of  $\sigma(T)$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $T$  or  $T^*$  be a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator. Then Weyl's theorem holds for  $f(T)$ , where  $f \in H(\sigma(T))$ .*

*Proof.* From [2, Theorem 2.11], we have that  $T$  is polaroid if and only if  $T^*$  is polaroid. We use the fact that if  $T$  is polaroid and  $T$  or  $T^*$  has SVEP then both  $T$  and  $T^*$  satisfy Weyl's theorem, which can be seen in [2, Theorem 3.3]. Suppose



that  $T$  or  $T^*$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator. By Theorem 2.3 and Theorem 2.8 we have that  $T$  satisfies Weyl's theorem. Now we show that Weyl's theorem holds for  $f(T)$ . Since  $T$  is polaroid and has SVEP, then  $f(T)$  is polaroid by [2, Lemma 3.11] and has SVEP by [1, Theorem 2.40], consequently, Weyl's theorem holds for  $f(T)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.3.** *Let  $T$  or  $T^*$  be a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator. If  $F$  is an operator commuting with  $T$  and  $F^n$  has a finite rank for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then Weyl's theorem holds for  $f(T) + F$  for each  $f \in H(\sigma(T))$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose  $T$  or  $T^*$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator. By Theorem 2.8 and Theorem 3.2, we have that  $T$  is isoloid and Weyl's theorem holds for  $f(T)$ . Notice that  $T$  is isoloid then  $f(T)$  is isoloid. The result stems from [19, Theorem 2.4].  $\square$

If a Banach space operator  $T$  has SVEP (everywhere), then  $T$  and  $T^*$  satisfy Browder's (equivalently, generalized Browder's) theorem and  $a$ -Browder's (equivalently, generalized  $a$ -Browder's) theorem. A sufficient condition for an operator  $T$  satisfying Browder's (generalized Browder's) theorem to satisfy Weyl's (resp., generalized Weyl's) theorem is that  $T$  is polaroid. Observe that if  $T \in B(H)$  has SVEP, then  $\sigma(T) = \overline{\sigma_a(T^*)}$ . Hence, if  $T$  has SVEP and is polaroid, then  $T^*$  satisfies generalized  $a$ -Weyl's (so also,  $a$ -Weyl's) theorem [2, Theorem 2.14, Theorem 2.6].

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let  $T \in B(H)$ .*

- i). *If  $T^*$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, then generalized  $a$ -Weyl's theorem holds for  $T$ .*
- ii). *If  $T$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, then generalized  $a$ -Weyl's theorem holds for  $T^*$ .*

*Proof.* i) It is well known that  $T$  is polaroid if and only if  $T^*$  is polaroid [2, Theorem 2.11]. Now since a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator is polaroid and has SVEP, [2, Theorem 3.10] gives us the result of the theorem. For ii) we can also apply [2, Theorem 3.10].  $\square$

Since the polaroid condition entails  $E(T) = \pi(T)$  and the SVEP for  $T$  entails that generalized Browder's theorem holds for  $T$  [3, Theorem 3.2], i.e.  $\sigma_{BW}(T) = \sigma_D(T)$ , where  $\sigma_D(T)$  denotes the Drazin spectrum. Therefore,  $E(T) = \pi(T) = \sigma(T) \setminus \sigma_D(T) = \sigma(T) \setminus \sigma_{BW}(T)$ . Thus we have the following Corollary.

**Corollary 3.5.** *If  $T$  is  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$ , then also  $T$  satisfies generalized Weyl's theorem.*

*Remark 3.6.* 1. Recall [2] that if  $T$  is polaroid, then  $T$  satisfies generalized Weyl's theorem (resp. generalized  $a$ -Weyl's) theorem if and only if  $T$  satisfies Weyl's theorem (resp.  $a$ -Weyl's theorem). Hence if  $T$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, the above equivalences hold.

2. Let  $f(z)$  be an analytic function on  $\sigma(T)$ . If  $T$  is polaroid, then  $f(T)$  is also polaroid[2].

i). If  $T^*$  is  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$ , then  $f(T)$  satisfies generalized  $a$ -Weyl's theorem. Indeed, since  $T^*$  is polaroid, the result holds by [2, Theorem 3.12]



ii). If  $T$  is  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$ , then  $f(T^*)$  satisfies generalized  $a$ -Weyl's theorem. Indeed, since  $T$  is polaroid, the result holds by [2, Theorem 3.12].

**Theorem 3.7.** *Let  $T$  be a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator. If  $S$  is an operator quasi-similar to  $T$ , then  $a$ -Browder's theorem holds for  $f(S)$  for each  $f \in H(\sigma(S))$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $T$  is a  $k$ -quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator,  $T$  has SVEP. Let  $U$  be any open set and  $f : U \rightarrow H$  be any analytic function such that  $(S - \lambda)f(\lambda) = 0$  for all  $\lambda \in U$ . Since  $S$  is an operator quasi-similar to  $T$ , there exists an injective operator  $A$  with dense range such that  $AS = TA$ . Thus  $A(S - \lambda) = (T - \lambda)A$  for all  $\lambda \in U$ . If  $(S - \lambda)f(\lambda) = 0$  for all  $\lambda \in U$ , then  $A(S - \lambda)f(\lambda) = (T - \lambda)Af(\lambda) = 0$  for all  $\lambda \in U$ . But  $T$  has SVEP; hence  $Af(\lambda) = 0$  for all  $\lambda \in U$ . Since  $A$  is injective,  $f(\lambda) = 0$  for all  $\lambda \in U$ . Therefore  $S$  has SVEP. Then it follows from [1] that  $\sigma_{ab}(f(S)) = f(\sigma_{ab}(S)) = f(\sigma_{ea}(S)) = \sigma_{ea}(f(S))$ . Hence  $a$ -Browder's theorem holds for  $f(S)$ .  $\square$

#### 4. FINITE OPERATORS

Let  $A, B \in B(H)$ . We define the generalized derivation  $\delta_{A,B} : B(H) \mapsto B(H)$  by  $\delta_{A,B}(X) = AX - XB$ , we note  $\delta_{A,A} = \delta_A$ . If the inequality  $\|T - (AX - XA)\| \geq \|T\|$  holds for all  $X \in B(H)$  and for all  $T \in N(\delta_A)$ , then we say that the range of  $\delta_A$  is orthogonal to the kernel of  $\delta_A$  in the sense of Birkhoff. The operator  $A \in B(H)$  is said to be finite [25] if  $\|I - (AX - XA)\| \geq 1$  for all  $X \in B(H)$ , where  $I$  is the identity operator. Williams [25] has shown that the class of finite operators contains every normal, hyponormal operators. In [18], Williams results are generalized to a more classes of operators containing the classes of normal and hyponormal operators.

Let  $A \in B(H)$ , the approximate reduced spectrum of  $A$ ,  $\sigma_{ar}(A)$ , is the set of scalars  $\lambda$  for which there exists a normed sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $H$  satisfying

$$(A - \lambda I)x_n \rightarrow 0, (A - \lambda I)^*x_n \rightarrow 0.$$

In this section we present some new classes of finite operators. Recall that an operator  $A \in B(H)$  is said to be spectraloid if  $\omega(A) = r(A)$ , where  $\omega(A)$  is the numerical radius of  $A$ .

**Lemma 4.1.** [18] *Let  $A \in B(H)$ . Then  $\partial W(A) \cap \sigma(A) \subset \sigma_{ar}(A)$ , where  $W(A)$  is the numerical range of the operator  $A$ .*

**Lemma 4.2.** [18] *If  $\sigma_{ar}(A) \neq \phi$ , then  $A$  is finite.*

**Theorem 4.3.** *Let  $A \in B(H)$  be spectraloid. Then  $A$  is finite.*

*Proof.* Since  $A$  is spectraloid, we have  $\omega(A) = r(A)$ . Then there exists  $\lambda \in \sigma(A) \subset \overline{W(A)}$  such that  $|\lambda| = \omega(A)$ . Thus  $\lambda \in \partial W(A)$ . This implies that  $\partial W(A) \cap \sigma(A) \neq \emptyset$ . Now by applying Lemma 4.2, we get the result.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.4.** *Let  $A \in B(H)$ . If  $A$  is a quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, then  $A$  is finite.*

*Proof.* Since  $A$  is a quasi- $*$ - $A(n)$  operator, it is normaloid and so is spectraloid, it suffices to apply Theorem 4.3.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.5.** *The following operators are finite:*

- i). *class  $*$ - $A$  operators.* ii). *quasi- $*$ - $A$  operators.*

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