

## Drazin Spectrum and Weyl's Theorem for Operator Matrices

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**Abstract:**  $A \in B(H)$  is called Drazin invertible if  $A$  has finite ascent and descent. Let  $\sigma_D(A) = \{\lambda \in C : A - \lambda I \text{ is not Drazin invertible}\}$  be the Drazin spectrum. This paper shows that if  $M_C = \begin{pmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$  is a  $2 \times 2$  upper triangular operator matrix acting on the Hilbert space  $H \oplus K$ , then the passage from  $\sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B)$  to  $\sigma_D(M_C)$  is accomplished by removing certain open subsets of  $\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)$  from the former, that is, there is equality

$$\sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B) = \sigma_D(M_C) \cup \mathcal{G},$$

where  $\mathcal{G}$  is the union of certain holes in  $\sigma_D(M_C)$  which happen to be subsets of  $\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)$ . Weyl's theorem and Browder's theorem are liable to fail for  $2 \times 2$  operator matrices. By using Drazin spectrum, it also explores how Weyl's theorem, Browder's theorem, a-Weyl's theorem and a-Browder's theorem survive for  $2 \times 2$  upper triangular operator matrices on the Hilbert space.

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $H$  and  $K$  be infinite dimensional Hilbert spaces, let  $B(H, K)$  denote the set of bounded linear operators from  $H$  to  $K$ , and abbreviate  $B(H, H)$  to  $B(H)$ . If  $A \in B(H)$ , write  $\sigma(A)$  for the spectrum of  $A$  and  $\sigma_a(A)$  for the approximate point spectrum of  $A$ ,  $\rho(A) = C \setminus \sigma(A)$ . If  $A \in B(H)$ , we use  $N(A)$  for the null space of  $A$  and  $R(A)$  for the range of  $A$ . For  $A \in B(H)$ , if  $R(A)$  is closed and  $\dim N(A) < \infty$ , we call  $A$  upper semi-Fredholm operator, and if  $\dim H/R(A) < \infty$ , then  $A$  is called lower semi-Fredholm operator. Let  $\Phi_+(H)$  ( $\Phi_-(H)$ ) be the set of all upper (lower) semi-Fredholm operators.  $A$  is called Fredholm operator if  $\dim N(A) < \infty$  and  $\dim H/R(A) < \infty$ . Let  $A$  be semi-Fredholm and let  $n(A) = \dim N(A)$  and  $d(A) = \dim H/R(A)$ , then we define the index of  $A$  by  $\text{ind}(A) = n(A) - d(A)$ . An operator  $A$  is called Weyl if it is a Fredholm operator of index zero, and is called Browder if it is Fredholm "of finite ascent and descent". We write  $\alpha(A)$  and  $\beta(A)$  for the ascent and the descent for  $A \in B(H)$  respectively. The essential spectrum

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$\sigma_e(A)$ , the Weyl spectrum  $\sigma_w(A)$  and the Browder spectrum  $\sigma_b(A)$  of  $A$  are defined respectively by:  $\sigma_e(A) = \{\lambda \in C : A - \lambda I \text{ is not Fredholm}\}$ ,  $\sigma_w(A) = \{\lambda \in C : A - \lambda I \text{ is not Weyl}\}$  and  $\sigma_b(A) = \{\lambda \in C : A - \lambda I \text{ is not Browder}\}$ .

Following [1, Definition 4.1] we say that  $A \in B(H)$  is Drazin invertible (with a finite index) if there exist  $B, U \in B(H)$  such that  $U$  is nilpotent and

$$AB = BA, \quad BAB = B, \quad ABA = A + U.$$

Recall that the concept of Drazin invertibility was originally introduced by Drazin in [2] where elements of an associative semigroup satisfying an equivalent relation were called pseudo-invertible. It is well known that  $A$  is Drazin invertible if and only if it has finite ascent and descent, which is also equivalent to the fact that  $A = A_1 \oplus A_2$ , where  $A_1$  is invertible and  $A_2$  nilpotent (see [3, Proposition A] and [4, Corollary 2.2]). It is also well known that  $A$  is Drazin invertible if and only if  $A^*$  is Drazin invertible, where  $A^*$  is the conjugate of  $A$ . The Drazin spectrum of  $A$  is defined by:

$$\sigma_D(A) = \{ \lambda \in C : A - \lambda I \text{ is not Drazin invertible} \}.$$

If  $G$  is a compact subset of  $C$ , write  $\text{int } G$  for the interior points of  $G$ ;  $\text{iso } G$  for the isolated points of  $G$ ;  $\text{acc } G$  for the accumulation points of  $G$ ; and  $\partial G$  for the topological boundary of  $G$ . When  $A \in B(H)$  and  $B \in B(K)$  are given we denote by  $M_C$  an operator acting on  $H \oplus K$  of the form  $M_C = \begin{pmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $C \in B(K, H)$ .

In Section 2, we will characterize the Drazin spectrum of  $M_C$ . Our result is: For a given pair  $(A, B)$  of operators, there is equality, for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ ,  $\sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B) = \sigma_D(M_C) \cup \mathcal{G}$ , where  $\mathcal{G}$  is the union of certain holes in  $\sigma_D(M_C)$  which happen to be subsets of  $\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)$ .

In Section 3, we will use Drazin spectrum to study Weyl's theorem. Our result is: If  $\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)$  has no interior points and if  $A$  is an isoloid operator for which Weyl's theorem holds, then for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ , Weyl's theorem holds for  $\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} \implies$  Weyl's theorem holds for  $\begin{pmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$ .

## 2. Drazin Spectrum for $2 \times 2$ upper triangular operator matrices

**Lemma 2.1** Suppose  $A \in B(H)$  and  $B \in B(K)$ . If both  $A$  and  $B$  are Drazin invertible, then for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ ,  $M_C = \begin{pmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$  is Drazin invertible. Hence for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ ,  $\sigma_D(M_C) \subseteq \sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B)$ .

**Proof** Suppose  $\alpha(A) = \beta(A) = p$  and  $\alpha(B) = \beta(B) = q$ . Let  $n = \max\{p, q\}$ .

1) First we will prove that for any  $C \in B(K, H)$ ,  $\alpha(M_C) < \infty$ . If we have  $N(M_C^{2n+1}) = N(M_C^{2n})$ , we get the result. So we only need to prove  $N(M_C^{2n+1}) \subseteq N(M_C^{2n})$ .

If  $u_0 \in N(M_C^{2n+1})$  and  $u_0 = (x_0, y_0)$ , then:

$$0 = M_C^{2n+1}(x_0, y_0) = (A^{2n+1}x_0 + A^{2n}Cx_0 + A^{2n-1}CBx_0 + \cdots + A^nCB^n y_0 + \cdots + CB^{2n}y_0, B^{2n+1}y_0).$$

It follows that  $B^{2n+1}y_0 = 0$  and

$$A^{2n+1}x_0 + A^{2n}Cy_0 + A^{2n-1}CB y_0 + \cdots + A^nCB^n y_0 + \cdots + CB^{2n}y_0 = 0.$$

Then  $y_0 \in N(B^{2n+1}) = N(B^n)$  and hence

$$A^{2n+1}x_0 + A^{2n}Cy_0 + A^{2n-1}CB y_0 + \cdots + A^{n+1}CB^{n-1}y_0 = 0,$$

which means that  $A^{n+1}[A^n x_0 + A^{n-1}C y_0 + A^{n-2}C B y_0 + \cdots + C B^{n-1}y_0] = 0$ , and hence

$$A^n x_0 + A^{n-1}C y_0 + A^{n-2}C B y_0 + \cdots + C B^{n-1}y_0 \in N(A^{n+1}) = N(A^n).$$

Then  $A^{2n}x_0 + A^{2n-1}C y_0 + A^{2n-2}C B y_0 + \cdots + A^n C B^{n-1}y_0 = 0$ .

Now we get that

$$(A^{2n}x_0 + A^{2n-1}C y_0 + \cdots + A^n C B^{n-1}y_0 + A^{n-1}C B^n y_0 + \cdots + C B^{2n-1}y_0, B^{2n}y_0) = 0,$$

that is,  $M_C^{2n}u_0 = 0$  and hence  $u_0 \in N(M_C^{2n})$ . Then  $N(M_C^{2n+1}) = N(M_C^{2n})$ , and hence  $M_C$  has finite ascent.

2) Secondly, we will prove that for any  $C \in B(K, H)$ ,  $M_C$  has finite descent. We will prove that  $R(M_C^{2n}) = R(M_C^{2n+1})$ , so we need to prove that  $R(M_C^{2n}) \subseteq R(M_C^{2n+1})$ .

For any  $u_0 \in R(M_C^{2n})$ , there exist  $x \in H$  and  $y \in K$  such that  $u_0 = M_C^{2n}(x, y)$ , that is,

$$u_0 = (A^{2n}x + A^{2n-1}C y + A^{2n-1}C B y + \cdots + C B^{2n-1}y, B^{2n}y).$$

By  $R(B^{2n}) = R(B^{2n+1})$ , there exists  $y_0 \in K$  such that  $B^{2n}y = B^{2n+1}y_0$ , then  $y - B y_0 \in N(B^{2n}) = N(B^n)$ . Suppose  $y = B y_0 + y_1$ , where  $y_1 \in N(B^n)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} u_0 &= (A^{2n}x + A^{2n-1}C B y_0 + A^{2n-1}C y_1 + \cdots + A^n C B^n y_0 + \\ &\quad A^n C B^{n-1}y_1 + A^{n-1}C B^{n+1}y_0 + A^{n-2}C B^{n+2}y_0 + \cdots + C B^{2n}y_0, B^{2n+1}y_0) \\ &= ([A^{2n}x + A^{2n-1}C y_1 + \cdots + A^n C B^{n-1}y_1 - A^{2n}C y_0] + A^{2n}C y_0 + \\ &\quad A^{2n-1}C B y_0 + \cdots + C B^{2n}y_0, B^{2n+1}y_0), \\ &\quad A^{2n}x + A^{2n-1}C y_1 + A^{2n-2}C B y_1 + \cdots + A^n C B^{n-1}y_1 - A^{2n}C y_0 \\ &= A^n(A^n x + A^{n-1}C y_1 + A^{n-2}C B y_1 + \cdots + C B^{n-1}y_1 - A^n C y_0) \\ &\in R(A^n) = R(A^{2n+1}). \end{aligned}$$

Then there exists  $x_0 \in H$  such that

$$A^{2n}x + A^{2n-1}C y_1 + A^{2n-2}C B y_1 + \cdots + A^n C B^{n-1}y_1 - A^{2n}C y_0 = A^{2n+1}x_0.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} u_0 &= (A^{2n+1}x_0 + A^{2n}C y_0 + A^{2n-1}C B y_0 + \cdots + C B^{2n}y_0, B^{2n+1}y_0) \\ &= M_C^{2n+1}(x_0, y_0) \in R(M_C^{2n+1}). \end{aligned}$$

So  $R(M_C^{2n}) = R(M_C^{2n+1})$  and hence  $M_C$  has finite descent. The proof is completed.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.2** For a given pair  $(A, B)$  of operators, if  $M_C$  is Drazin invertible for some  $C \in B(K, H)$ , then:

- (a)  $\alpha(A) < \infty$  and  $\beta(A^*) < \infty$ ;
- (b)  $\beta(B) < \infty$  and  $\alpha(B^*) < \infty$ .

**Proof** Without loss of generality, we suppose that  $0 \in \sigma(M_C)$ . Suppose  $\alpha(M_C) = \beta(M_C) = n < \infty$ , then  $\alpha(M_C^*) = \beta(M_C^*) = n$ . Since  $N(A^n) \oplus \{0\} \subseteq N(M_C^n)$ , we get  $\alpha(A) < \infty$ . In order to prove  $\beta(A^*) < \infty$ , we only need to prove that  $R(A^{*n}) = R(A^{*(n+1)})$ . So we only need to prove that  $R(A^{*n}) \subseteq R(A^{*(n+1)})$ . For any  $u \in R(A^{*n})$ , let  $u = A^{*n}x$ , then  $M_C^{*n}(x, 0) \in R(M_C^{*n}) = R(M_C^{*(n+1)})$ . Thus there exists  $(x_0, y_0) \in H \oplus K$  such that  $(A^{*n}x, B^{*n-1}C^*x + \dots + C^*A^{*(n-1)}x) = M_C^{*(n+1)}(x_0, y_0) = (A^{*(n+1)}x_0, B^{*(n+1)}y_0 + B^{*n}C^*x_0 + \dots + C^*A^{*n}x_0)$ , then  $u = A^{*n}x = A^{*(n+1)}x_0 \in R(A^{*(n+1)})$ . Hence  $\beta(A^*) < \infty$ . By the same way, we can prove that  $\beta(B) < \infty$  and  $\alpha(B^*) < \infty$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 2.3** For a given pair  $(A, B)$  of operators, if  $M_C$  is Drazin invertible for some  $C \in B(K, H)$ , then  $A$  is Drazin invertible if and only if  $B$  is Drazin invertible.

**Proof** Suppose that  $A$  is Drazin invertible. Then there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $A - \lambda I$  and  $M_C - \lambda I$  is invertible if  $0 < |\lambda| < \varepsilon$ . Thus we get that  $B - \lambda I$  is invertible if  $0 < |\lambda| < \varepsilon$ . [5, P332, Theorem 10.5] asserts that  $B$  is Drazin invertible because  $\beta(B) < \infty$ . Conversely, if  $B$  is Drazin invertible, similarly, we know that  $A^*$  is Drazin invertible and hence  $A$  is Drazin invertible.  $\square$

**Remark 2.4** In Lemma 2.1, for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ , we have  $\sigma_D(M_C) \subseteq \sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B)$ . Sometimes, this inclusion is proper for given  $A$  and  $B$ . For example, let  $A, B, C \in B(\ell_2)$  be defined by

$$A(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (0, x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots),$$

$$B(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (x_2, x_3, x_4, \dots),$$

$$C(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (x_1, 0, 0, \dots).$$

Then  $\sigma(A) = \sigma(B) = \sigma_D(A) = \sigma_D(B) = \{ \lambda \in C : |\lambda| \leq 1 \}$ . Since  $M_C$  is a unitary operator, then  $\sigma_D(M_C) \subseteq \{ \lambda \in C : |\lambda| = 1 \}$ . Thus  $\sigma_D(M_C)$  is proper subset in  $\sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B)$ .

The following is our main theorem in this section. It says that the passage from  $\sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B)$  to  $\sigma_D(M_C)$  is accomplished by removing certain open subsets of  $\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)$  from the former.

**Theorem 2.5** For a given pair  $(A, B)$  of operators there is equality, for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ ,

$$\sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B) = \sigma_D(M_C) \cup \mathcal{G},$$

where  $\mathcal{G}$  is the union of certain holes in  $\sigma_D(M_C)$  which happen to be subsets of  $\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)$ .

**Proof** We first claim that, for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ ,

$$(\sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B)) \setminus (\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)) \subseteq \sigma_D(M_C) \subseteq \sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B). \tag{1}$$

Indeed the second inclusion in (1) follows from Lemma 2.1. For the first inclusion, let  $\lambda \in (\sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B)) \setminus (\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B))$ . Then  $\lambda \in \sigma_D(A) \setminus \sigma_D(B)$  or  $\lambda \in \sigma_D(B) \setminus \sigma_D(A)$ . Lemma 2.3 asserts that  $\lambda \in \sigma_D(M_C)$  for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ .

Next we claim that, for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ ,

$$\eta(\sigma_D(M_C)) = \eta(\sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B)), \tag{2}$$

where  $\eta K$  denote the “ polynomially convex hull ” of the compact set  $K \subseteq C$ . Since  $\sigma_D(M_C) \subseteq \sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B)$  for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ , we need to prove that  $\partial(\sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B)) \subseteq \partial \sigma_D(M_C)$ . But since  $\text{int } \sigma_D(M_C) \subseteq \text{int } (\sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B))$ , it suffices to show that  $\partial(\sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B)) \subseteq \sigma_D(M_C)$ .

Let  $\rho_D^+(A) = \{ \lambda \in C : \alpha(A - \lambda I) < \infty \text{ and } \beta(A^* - \bar{\lambda}I) < \infty \}$  and  $\rho_D^-(B) = \{ \lambda \in C : \beta(B - \lambda I) < \infty \text{ and } \alpha(B^* - \bar{\lambda}I) < \infty \}$  and let  $\sigma_D^+(A) = C \setminus \rho_D^+(A)$  and  $\sigma_D^-(B) = C \setminus \rho_D^-(B)$ . Then there are inclusions

$$\partial(\sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B)) \subseteq \partial \sigma_D(A) \cup \partial \sigma_D(B) \subseteq \sigma_D^+(A) \cup \sigma_D^-(B) \subseteq \sigma_D(M_C), \tag{3}$$

where the last inclusion follows from Lemma 2.2. For the second inclusion, if there exists  $\lambda_0 \in (\partial \sigma_D(A) \cup \partial \sigma_D(B)) \setminus (\sigma_D^+(A) \cup \sigma_D^-(B))$ , then there are two cases to consider.

**Case 1.** Suppose  $\lambda_0 \in \partial \sigma_D(A)$ . Then for any neighborhood of  $\lambda_0$ , there exists  $\lambda$  such that  $A - \lambda I$  is Drazin invertible. Thus for any neighborhood of  $\lambda_0$ , there exists  $\lambda$  such that  $A - \lambda I$  is invertible. And hence for any neighborhood of  $\bar{\lambda}_0$ , there exists  $\mu$  such that  $A^* - \mu I$  is invertible. Since  $\beta(A^* - \bar{\lambda}_0 I) < \infty$ , [5, P332, Theorem 10.5] tells us that  $A^* - \bar{\lambda}_0 I$  is Drazin invertible and hence  $A - \lambda_0 I$  is Drazin invertible. It is in contradiction to the fact that  $\lambda_0 \in \sigma_D(A)$ .

**Case 2.** Suppose  $\lambda_0 \in \partial \sigma_D(B)$ . Similarly as in case 1, we induce a contradiction.

Then the second inclusion is true. Consequently, (2) asserts that the passage from  $\sigma_D(M_C)$  to  $\sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B)$  is the filling in certain holes in  $\sigma_D(M_C)$ . But since, by (1),  $(\sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B)) \setminus \sigma_D(M_C)$  is contained in  $\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)$ , it follows that the filling in certain holes in  $\sigma_D(M_C)$  should occur in  $\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)$ . The proof is completed.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.6** *If  $\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)$  has no interior points, then for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ ,*

$$\sigma_D(M_C) = \sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B). \tag{4}$$

*In particular if either  $A \in B(H)$  or  $B \in B(K)$  is a Riesz operator, then (4) holds.*

**Corollary 2.7** *If either  $A^*$  or  $B$  is hyponormal, then for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ , (4) holds.*

Let  $\rho_{\sigma_D}^+(A) = \sigma(A) \setminus \sigma_D^+(A)$  and  $\rho_{\sigma_D}^-(B) = \sigma(B) \setminus \sigma_D^-(B)$ . From Theorem 2.5, we can see that the holes in  $\sigma_D(M_C)$  should lie in  $\rho_{\sigma_D}^+(A) \cap \rho_{\sigma_D}^-(B)$ . Thus we have:

**Corollary 2.8** If  $\rho_{\sigma_D}^+(A) \cap \rho_{\sigma_D}^-(B) = \emptyset$ , then (4) holds for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ .

**Lemma 2.9** If  $\sigma(M_C) = \sigma(A) \cup \sigma(B)$  or  $\sigma_w(M_C) = \sigma_w(A) \cup \sigma_w(B)$ , then (4) holds.

**Proof** Suppose that  $\sigma_w(M_C) = \sigma_w(A) \cup \sigma_w(B)$ . If  $M_C - \lambda_0 I$  is Drazin invertible, then there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $M_C - \lambda I$  is invertible and  $B - \lambda I$  is surjective if  $0 < |\lambda - \lambda_0| < \varepsilon$ . Since  $\lambda$  is not in  $\sigma_w(M_C) = \sigma_w(A) \cup \sigma_w(B)$ , it follows that  $B - \lambda I$  are Weyl. Then  $B - \lambda I$  are invertible if  $0 < |\lambda - \lambda_0| < \varepsilon$ . Now we have proved that  $\lambda_0 \in \text{iso } \sigma(B) \cup \rho(B)$ . [5, P332, Theorem 10.5] tells us that  $B - \lambda_0 I$  is Drazin invertible and hence  $A - \lambda_0 I$  is Drazin invertible. Then  $\lambda_0$  is not in  $\sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B)$ . If  $\sigma(M_C) = \sigma(A) \cup \sigma(B)$ , by the same way, we can prove the result.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.10** If  $\sigma_w(A) \cap \sigma_w(B)$  (or  $\sigma(A) \cap \sigma(B)$ ) has no interior points, then (4) holds for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ .

**Proof** By Lemma 2.9 and Corollary 8 in [6] and Corollary 7 in [7], we get the result.  $\square$

### 3. Weyl's theorem for $2 \times 2$ upper triangular operator matrices

H.Weyl<sup>[8]</sup> has shown that every hermitian operator  $A \in B(H)$  satisfies the equality

$$\sigma(A) \setminus \sigma_w(A) = \pi_{00}(A) \quad (5)$$

where  $\pi_{00}(A) = \{ \lambda \in \text{iso } \sigma(A) : 0 < \dim N(A - \lambda I) < \infty \}$ . Now we say Weyl's theorem holds for  $A \in B(H)$  if  $A$  satisfies the equality (5). If  $\sigma_w(A) = \sigma_b(A)$ , we say that Browder's theorem holds for  $A$ . Clearly, Weyl's theorem implies Browder's theorem.

Let  $\Phi_+^-(H)$  be the class of all  $A \in \Phi_+(H)$  with  $\text{ind}(A) \leq 0$ , and for any  $A \in B(H)$ , and let

$$\sigma_{ea}(A) = \{ \lambda \in C : A - \lambda I \text{ is not in } \Phi_+^-(H) \}$$

and  $\sigma_{ab}(A) = \{ \lambda \in C : A - \lambda I \text{ is not an upper semi-Fredholm operator with finite ascent} \}$ . We call  $\sigma_{ea}(A)$  and  $\sigma_{ab}(A)$  the essential approximate point spectrum and Browder essential approximate point spectrum respectively.

Let  $\pi_{00}^a(A) = \{ \lambda \in \text{iso } \sigma_a(A), 0 < \dim N(A - \lambda I) < \infty \}$ . Similarly, we say that a-Weyl's theorem holds for  $A$  if there is equality  $\sigma_a(A) \setminus \sigma_{ea}(A) = \pi_{00}^a(A)$ , and that a-Browder's theorem holds for  $A$  if there is equality  $\sigma_{ea}(A) = \sigma_{ab}(A)$ .

Weyl's theorem may or may not hold for a direct sum of operators for which Weyl's theorem holds. Thus Weyl's theorem may fail for upper triangular operator matrices. So does a-Weyl's theorem. Weyl's theorem for upper triangular operator matrices is more delicate in comparison with the diagonal matrices. In this section, we consider this question: If Weyl's (a-Weyl's) theorem holds for  $\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$ , when does it hold for  $\begin{pmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$ ? We begin with

**Theorem 3.1** If  $\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)$  ( or  $\sigma(A) \cap \sigma(B)$  ) has no interior points, then for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ ,

$$(a) \text{ Browder's theorem holds for } \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} \implies \text{Browder's theorem holds for } \begin{pmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix};$$

(b) *a-Browder's theorem holds for*  $\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} \implies$  *a-Browder's theorem holds for*  $\begin{pmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$ .

**Proof** (a) Suppose  $M_C - \lambda_0 I$  is Weyl. Then there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $M_C - \lambda I$  is Weyl and hence  $A - \lambda I$  is upper semi-Fredholm operator and  $B - \lambda I$  is lower semi-Fredholm operator, and  $A - \lambda I$  is Weyl if and only if  $B - \lambda I$  is Weyl if  $|\lambda - \lambda_0| < \varepsilon$ .

**Case 1.** Suppose that  $\lambda_0 \in \partial\sigma_D(A)$  or  $\lambda_0$  is not in  $\sigma_D(A)$ . Then in any neighborhood of  $\lambda_0$ , there exists  $\lambda$  such that  $A - \lambda I$  is Drazin invertible and hence in any neighborhood of  $\lambda_0$ , there exists  $\mu$  such that  $A - \mu I$  is invertible. Since  $A - \lambda_0 I$  is upper semi-Fredholm operator, by perturbation theory of upper semi-Fredholm, it follows that  $A - \lambda_0 I$  is Browder. Then  $B - \lambda_0 I$  is Weyl and hence  $\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} - \lambda_0 I$  is Weyl. Browder's theorem holds for  $\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} - \lambda_0 I$  is Browder. Thus  $A - \lambda_0 I$  and  $B - \lambda_0 I$  are Drazin invertible. Lemma 2.1 tells us that  $M_C - \lambda_0 I$  is Drazin invertible. Since  $M_C - \lambda_0 I$  is Weyl, we get that  $M_C - \lambda_0 I$  is Browder.

**Case 2.** Suppose that  $\lambda_0 \in \text{int } \sigma_D(A)$ . Since  $\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)$  has no interior points, we know that  $\lambda_0 \in \partial\sigma_D(B)$  or  $\lambda_0$  is not in  $\sigma_D(B)$ . The following proof is the same as the proof in Case 1.

Now we have proved that  $\sigma_w(M_C) = \sigma_b(M_C)$  for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ , which means that Browder's theorem holds for  $M_C$  for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ .

(b) Suppose that  $M_C - \lambda_0 I \in \Phi_+^-(H \oplus K)$ . Then  $A - \lambda_0 I \in \Phi_+(H)$ .

**Case 1.**  $\lambda_0$  is not in  $\sigma_D(A)$  or  $\lambda_0 \in \partial\sigma_D(A)$ . Similarly to the proof in case 1 in (a), we know that  $A - \lambda_0 I$  is Browder. By perturbation theory of semi-Fredholm operator, there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $M_C - \lambda I \in \Phi_+^-(H \oplus K)$  with  $N(M_C - \lambda I) \subseteq \bigcap_{n=1}^\infty R[(M_C - \lambda I)^n]$  and  $A - \lambda I$  is invertible if  $0 < |\lambda - \lambda_0| < \varepsilon$ . Then  $B - \lambda I \in \Phi_+(K)$  and hence  $\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} - \lambda I \in \Phi_+^-(H \oplus K)$ . a-Browder's theorem holds for  $\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $\alpha(A - \lambda I) < \infty$  and  $\alpha(B - \lambda I) < \infty$  hence  $\alpha(M_C - \lambda I) < \infty$ . [9, Lemma 3.4] asserts that  $N(M_C - \lambda I) = N(M_C - \lambda I) \cap \bigcap_{n=1}^\infty R[(M_C - \lambda I)^n] = \{0\}$  if  $0 < |\lambda - \lambda_0| < \varepsilon$ . Now we have that  $\lambda_0 \in \text{iso } \sigma_a(M_C)$ . Then  $M_C$  has single valued extension property in  $\lambda_0$ . [10, Theorem 15] tells us that  $\alpha(M_C - \lambda_0 I) < \infty$ .

**Case 2.** If  $\lambda_0 \in \text{int } \sigma_D(A)$ , then  $\lambda_0$  is not in  $\sigma_D(B)$  or  $\lambda_0 \in \partial\sigma_D(B)$ . By perturbation theory of upper semi-Fredholm, there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $M_C - \lambda I \in \Phi_+(H \oplus K)$  with  $N(M_C - \lambda I) \subseteq \bigcap_{n=1}^\infty R[(M_C - \lambda I)^n]$ ,  $n(M_C - \lambda I)$  is constant, and  $A - \lambda I \in \Phi_+(H)$  if  $0 < |\lambda - \lambda_0| < \varepsilon$ . There exists  $\lambda_1 \in C$  such that  $B - \lambda_1 I$  is invertible and  $0 < |\lambda_1 - \lambda_0| < \varepsilon$ . Then  $\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} - \lambda_1 I \in \Phi_+^-(H \oplus K)$ . Similarly to the case 1 in (b),  $M_C - \lambda_1 I$  is bounded below. Therefore  $M_C - \lambda I$  is bounded below because  $n(M_C - \lambda I)$  is constant if  $0 < |\lambda - \lambda_0| < \varepsilon$ . It follows that  $\alpha(M_C - \lambda_0 I) < \infty$ .

Then  $\sigma_{ea}(M_C) = \sigma_{ab}(M_C)$ , which means that a-Browder's theorem holds for  $M_C$  for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ . □

We call  $A$  is isoloid if  $\text{iso } \sigma(A) \subseteq \sigma_p(A)$ , where  $\sigma_p(A)$  is the set of all point spectrums. And

we call  $A$  approximate isoloid (abbrev. a-isoloid) if  $iso \sigma_a(A) \subseteq \sigma_p(A)$ . Clearly, a-isoloid implies isoloid.

**Remark 3.2** If  $\sigma_w(A) \cap \sigma_w(B)$  had no interior points, then (a) in Theorem 3.1 is also true. But Theorem 3.1 may fail for “a-Weyl’s theorem” even with the additional assumption that a-Weyl’s theorem holds for  $A$  and  $B$  and both  $A$  and  $B$  are a-isoloid. To see this, let  $A, B, C \in B(\ell_2)$  are defined by

$$A(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (0, x_1, 0, x_2, 0, x_3, \dots),$$

$$B(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (0, x_2, 0, x_4, 0, x_6, \dots),$$

$$C(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{3}x_3, 0, \frac{1}{5}x_5, \dots).$$

Then  $\sigma_a(A) = \sigma_{ea}(A) = T$ ,  $\sigma_D(A) = D$ ,  $\pi_{00}^a(A) = \emptyset$  and  $\sigma_a(B) = \sigma_{ea}(B) = \{0, 1\}$ ,  $\sigma_D(B) = \pi_{00}^a(B) = \emptyset$ , which says that a-Weyl’s theorem holds for  $A$  and  $B$ , both  $A$  and  $B$  are a-isoloid, and  $\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)$  ( $\sigma_w(A) \cap \sigma_w(B)$ ) has no interior points. Also a straightforward calculation shows that

$$\sigma_a \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} = \sigma_{ea} \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} = T \cup \{0\}, \quad \pi_{00}^a \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} = \emptyset,$$

$$\sigma_a(M_C) = \sigma_{ea}(M_C) = T \cup \{0\}, \quad \pi_{00}^a(M_C) = \{0\}.$$

Then a-Weyl’s theorem holds for  $\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$ , but fails for  $\begin{pmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$ .

But for Weyl’s theorem, we have:

**Theorem 3.3** If  $\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)$  (or  $\sigma_w(A) \cap \sigma_w(B)$ ) has no interior points and if  $A$  is an isoloid operator for which Weyl’s theorem holds, then for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ ,

$$\text{Weyl's theorem holds for } \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} \implies \text{Weyl's theorem holds for } \begin{pmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Proof** Theorem 3.1 gives that  $\sigma(M_C) \setminus \sigma_w(M_C) \subseteq \pi_{00}(M_C)$ . For the reverse inclusion, suppose that  $\lambda_0 \in \pi_{00}(M_C)$ . Then there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $M_C - \lambda I$  is invertible and hence  $A - \lambda I$  is bounded below and  $B - \lambda I$  is surjective if  $0 < |\lambda - \lambda_0| < \varepsilon$ .  $\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)$  (or  $\sigma_w(A) \cap \sigma_w(B)$ ) has no interior points, then  $\sigma_D(M_C) = \sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B)$ . Since  $\lambda$  is not in  $\sigma_D(M_C) = \sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B)$ , it follows that  $A - \lambda I$  and  $B - \lambda I$  are Drazin invertible. Thus  $A - \lambda I$  and  $B - \lambda I$  are invertible, which means that  $\lambda_0 \in iso \sigma \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$ . The following proof is same as the proof in Theorem 2.4 in [11].  $\square$

**Remark 3.4** Theorem 3.3 in this paper is not compatible with Theorem 2.4 in [11]. For example:

(a) Let  $A \in B(\ell_2)$  be defined by

$$A(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (x_2, x_4, x_6, \dots),$$

and let  $B = A - 2I$ . Then

(I)  $\sigma_D(A) = D, \sigma_D(B) = \{ \lambda \in C : |\lambda + 2| \leq 1 \}$ . Then  $\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)$  has no interior points;

(II)  $\sigma_e(A) = D, \sigma_e^-(A) = T$  and  $\sigma_e(B) = \{ \lambda \in C : |\lambda + 2| \leq 1 \}, \sigma_e^-(B) = \{ \lambda \in C : |\lambda + 2| = 1 \}$ , where  $\sigma_e^-(A) = \{ \lambda \in C : A - \lambda I \text{ is not lower semi-Fredholm operator} \}$ . Then both  $SP(A)$  and  $SP(B)$  have pseudoholes;

(III)  $\sigma(A) = \sigma_w(A) = D$  and  $\pi_{00}(A) = \emptyset$ , then  $A$  is isoloid and Weyl's theorem holds for  $A$ ;

(IV)  $\sigma \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} = \sigma_w \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} = D$  and  $\pi_{00} \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} = \emptyset$ , then Weyl's theorem holds for  $\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$ .

By Theorem 3.3 in this note, Weyl's theorem holds for  $M_C$  for every  $C \in B(\ell_2, \ell_2)$ . But using Theorem 2.4 in [11], we do not know whether Weyl's theorem holds for  $M_C$  for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ .

(b) Let  $T_1, T_2, B \in B(\ell_2)$  are defined by

$$T_1(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (0, x_1, 0, x_2, 0, x_3, 0, \dots),$$

$$T_2(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (x_2, x_4, x_6, \dots),$$

and

$$B(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) = (0, x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots).$$

Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} T_1 & 0 \\ 0 & T_2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Then (I)  $\sigma_D(A) = D, \sigma_D(B) = D$ . Then  $\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)$  has interior points;

(II)  $\sigma_e(A) = \sigma_{SF_+}(A) = \sigma_{SF_-}(A) = D, \sigma_e(B) = \sigma_{SF_+}(B) = \sigma_{SF_-}(B) = T$ , then both  $SP(A)$  and  $SP(B)$  have no pseudoholes;

(III)  $\sigma(A) = \sigma_w(A) = D, \pi_{00}(A) = \emptyset$ . Then  $A$  is isoloid and Weyl's theorem holds for  $A$ ;

(IV)  $\sigma \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} = \sigma_w \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} = D, \pi_{00} \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} = \emptyset$ . Then Weyl's theorem holds for  $\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$ .

Using Theorem 2.4 in [11], we know that for every  $C \in B(\ell_2, \ell_2 \oplus \ell_2)$ , Weyl's theorem holds for  $M_C$ . But using Theorem 3.3 in this paper, we do not know whether Weyl's theorem holds for  $M_C$  for every  $C \in B(\ell_2, \ell_2 \oplus \ell_2)$ .

For a-Weyl's theorem, similarly to the prove of Theorem 3.3, we have that:

**Theorem 3.5** *If  $\sigma_D(A)$  ( or  $\sigma(A)$  ) has no interior points, and if  $A$  is an a-isoloid operator for which a-Weyl's theorem holds, then for every  $C \in B(K, H)$ ,*

$$\text{a-Weyl's theorem holds for } \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} \implies \text{a-Weyl's theorem holds for } \begin{pmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}.$$

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## Drazin 谱和算子矩阵的 Weyl 定理

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**摘要:**  $A \in B(H)$  称为是一个 Drazin 可逆的算子, 若  $A$  有有限的升标和降标. 用  $\sigma_D(A) = \{\lambda \in C : A - \lambda I \text{ 不是 Drazin 可逆的}\}$  表示 Drazin 谱集. 本文证明了对于 Hilbert 空间上的一个  $2 \times 2$  上三角算子矩阵  $M_C = \begin{pmatrix} A & C \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$ , 从  $\sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B)$  到  $\sigma_D(M_C)$  的道路需要从前面子集中移动  $\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)$  中一定的开子集, 即有等式:

$$\sigma_D(A) \cup \sigma_D(B) = \sigma_D(M_C) \cup \mathcal{G},$$

其中  $\mathcal{G}$  为  $\sigma_D(M_C)$  中一定空洞的并, 并且为  $\sigma_D(A) \cap \sigma_D(B)$  的子集.  $2 \times 2$  算子矩阵不一定满足 Weyl 定理, 利用 Drazin 谱, 我们研究了  $2 \times 2$  上三角算子矩阵的 Weyl 定理, Browder 定理, a-Weyl 定理和 a-Browder 定理.

**关键词:** Weyl 定理; a-Weyl 定理; Browder 定理; a-Browder 定理; Drazin 谱.