



## On an Elementary Operator with 2-Isometric Operator Entries

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**Abstract.** A Hilbert space operator  $T$  is said to be a 2-isometric operator if  $T^{*2}T^2 - 2T^*T + I = 0$ . Let  $d_{AB} \in B(B(H))$  denote either the generalized derivation  $\delta_{AB} = L_A - R_B$  or the elementary operator  $\Delta_{AB} = L_A R_B - I$ , we show that if  $A$  and  $B^*$  are 2-isometric operators, then, for all complex  $\lambda$ ,  $(d_{AB} - \lambda)^{-1}(0) \subseteq (d_{AB}^* - \bar{\lambda})^{-1}(0)$ , the ascent of  $(d_{AB} - \lambda) \leq 1$ , and  $d_{AB}$  is polaroid. Let  $H(\sigma(d_{AB}))$  denote the space of functions which are analytic on  $\sigma(d_{AB})$ , and let  $H_c(\sigma(d_{AB}))$  denote the space of  $f \in H(\sigma(d_{AB}))$  which are non-constant on every connected component of  $\sigma(d_{AB})$ , it is proved that if  $A$  and  $B^*$  are 2-isometric operators, then  $f(d_{AB})$  satisfies the generalized Weyl's theorem and  $f(d_{AB}^*)$  satisfies the generalized  $a$ -Weyl's theorem.

### 1. Introduction

Let  $B(H)$  denote the algebra of all bounded linear operators on an infinite dimensional separable Hilbert space  $H$ . In [3] Agler obtained certain disconjugacy and Sturm-Liouville results for a subclass of the Toeplitz operators. These results were suggested by the study of operators  $T \in B(H)$  which satisfy the equation,

$$T^{*2}T^2 - 2T^*T + I = 0.$$

Such  $T$  are natural generalizations of isometric operators ( $T^*T = I$ ) and are called 2-isometric operators. It is known that an isometric operator is a 2-isometric operator. 2-isometric operators have been studied by many authors and they have many interesting properties (see [4, 5, 9, 11, 18]), for example, if  $T \in B(H)$  is a 2-isometric operator, then  $\sigma_p(T)$  for the point spectrum of  $T$  is a subset of the boundary  $\partial\mathbb{D}$  of the unit disc  $\mathbb{D}$  (in the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$ ),  $\sigma(T)$  is the closure  $\overline{\mathbb{D}}$  of  $\mathbb{D}$  whenever  $T$  is not invertible,  $\sigma(T) \subseteq \partial\mathbb{D}$  whenever  $T$  is invertible, and  $T$  is injective and has closed range.

For operators  $A, B \in B(H)$ , let  $d_{AB} \in B(B(H))$  denote either the generalized derivation  $\delta_{AB} = L_A - R_B$  or the elementary operator  $\Delta_{AB} = L_A R_B - I$ , where  $L_A$  and  $R_B$  are the left and right multiplication operators defined on  $B(B(H))$  by  $L_A(X) = AX$  and  $R_B(X) = XB$  respectively. The following implications hold for a general bounded linear operator  $T$  on a Banach space  $X$ , in particular for  $T = d_{AB}$ :

$$d_{AB}^{-1}(0) \perp R(d_{AB}) \implies d_{AB}^{-1}(0) \cap R(d_{AB}) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{asc}(d_{AB}) \leq 1,$$

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where  $asc(d_{AB})$  denotes the ascent of  $d_{AB}$ ,  $R(d_{AB})$  denotes the range of  $d_{AB}$  and  $d_{AB}^{-1}(0) \perp R(d_{AB})$  denotes that the kernel of  $d_{AB}$  is orthogonal to the range of  $d_{AB}$  in the sense of G. Birkhoff. The range-kernel orthogonality of  $d_{AB}$  has been considered by a number of authors. A sufficient condition guaranteeing  $d_{AB}^{-1}(0) \perp R(d_{AB})$  is that  $d_{AB}^{-1}(0) \subseteq d_{AB}^{*-1}(0)$  [12]. The class of operators  $A, B^* \in B(H)$  such that  $d_{AB}^{-1}(0) \subseteq d_{AB}^{*-1}(0)$  is large, and includes in particular the class of hyponormal  $A$  and  $B^*$  [13]. If  $A, B^* \in B(H)$  are hyponormal, then, for all complex  $\lambda$ ,  $(d_{AB} - \lambda)^{-1}(0) \subseteq (d_{AB}^* - \bar{\lambda})^{-1}(0)$  and the ascent of  $(d_{AB} - \lambda) \leq 1$  [11].

In this paper it is shown that if  $A$  and  $B^*$  are 2-isometric operators, then, for all complex  $\lambda$ ,  $(d_{AB} - \lambda)^{-1}(0) \subseteq (d_{AB}^* - \bar{\lambda})^{-1}(0)$  and  $(d_{AB} - \lambda)^{-1}(0) \perp R(d_{AB})$ . Furthermore, if  $\lambda$  is isolated in the spectrum of  $d_{AB}$ ,  $\lambda \in iso\sigma(d_{AB})$ , then the quasi-nilpotent part  $H_0(d_{AB} - \lambda)$  of  $d_{AB} - \lambda$  coincides with  $(d_{AB} - \lambda)^{-1}(0)$ ; consequently,  $\lambda$  is a simple pole of the resolvent of  $d_{AB}$ . As the application of these properties, it is proved that if  $A$  and  $B^*$  are 2-isometric operators, then  $f(d_{AB}^*)$  satisfies the generalized  $a$ -Weyl's theorem.

## 2. Some Results

Before stating main theorems, we need several preliminary results. Now we recall some definitions

**Definition 2.1.** An operator  $T \in B(H)$  is said to have Bishop's property  $(\beta)$  if for every open subset  $G$  of  $\mathbb{C}$  and every sequence  $f_n : G \rightarrow H$  of  $H$ -valued analytic functions such that  $(T - z)f_n(z)$  converges uniformly to 0 in norm on compact subsets of  $G$ ,  $f_n(z)$  converges uniformly to 0 in norm on compact subsets of  $G$ .

**Definition 2.2.** An operator  $T \in B(H)$  is said to be polaroid if every isolated point of  $\sigma(T)$  is a pole of the resolvent of  $T$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** [10] Let  $T$  be a 2-isometric operator. Then  $T$  is polaroid.

**Lemma 2.4.** Let  $T$  be a 2-isometric operator,  $\lambda \in \sigma_p(T)$  and

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & T_{12} \\ 0 & T_{22} \end{pmatrix} \text{ on } H = (T - \lambda)^{-1}(0) \oplus (T - \lambda)^{-1}(0)^\perp.$$

Then  $T_{12} = 0$  and  $T_{22}$  is also a 2-isometric operator.

*Proof.* Let

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & T_{12} \\ 0 & T_{22} \end{pmatrix} \text{ on } H = (T - \lambda)^{-1}(0) \oplus (T - \lambda)^{-1}(0)^\perp.$$

Since  $T$  is a 2-isometric operator, by [9, Theorem 5]  $T^*T - I \geq 0$ . Then

$$T^*T - I = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \bar{\lambda}T_{12} \\ \lambda T_{12}^* & T_{12}^*T_{12} + T_{22}^*T_{22} - I \end{pmatrix} \geq 0.$$

Recall that  $\begin{pmatrix} X & Y \\ Y^* & Z \end{pmatrix} \geq 0$  if and only if  $X \geq 0, Z \geq 0$  and  $Y = X^{\frac{1}{2}}WZ^{\frac{1}{2}}$  for some contraction  $W$ . So we have  $T_{12} = 0$ , and  $T_{22}$  is a 2-isometric operator.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.5.** Let  $T$  be a 2-isometric operator. Then  $Tx = \lambda x$  implies  $T^*x = \bar{\lambda}x$ , where  $\bar{\lambda}$  denotes the complex conjugate of  $\lambda$ .

*Proof.* It is obvious from Lemma 2.4.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.6.** If  $T$  is a 2-isometric operator, then it has Bishop's property  $(\beta)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $T$  be a 2-isometric operator and choose a positive number  $\sigma$  with  $\|T^*T - I\| \leq \sigma$ . By [5, Proposition 5.12 and Theorem 5.80],  $T$  has a Brownian unitary extension  $B$  of the form

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} V & \sigma E \\ 0 & U \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $V$  is an isometry operator,  $U$  is unitary, and  $E$  is a Hilbert space isomorphism onto  $N(V^*)$ . Let  $f(z)$  be analytic on  $D$ . Let  $(B - z)f(z) \rightarrow 0$  uniformly on each compact subsets of  $D$ . Then we can write

$$\begin{pmatrix} V - z & \sigma E \\ 0 & U - z \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_1(z) \\ f_2(z) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (V - z)f_1(z) + \sigma E f_2(z) \\ (U - z)f_2(z) \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow 0.$$

Since  $V$  and  $U$  have Bishop’s property  $(\beta)$ ,  $B$  has Bishop’s property  $(\beta)$ .  $T$  is the restriction of  $B$  to an invariant subspace, hence  $T$  has Bishop’s property  $(\beta)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 2.7.** [17] *If  $A, B^*$  are reduced by each of its eigenspaces, polaroid and have Bishop’s property  $(\beta)$ , then  $(d_{AB} - \lambda)^{-1}(0) \subseteq (d_{AB}^* - \bar{\lambda})^{-1}(0)$  for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ .*

**Theorem 2.8.** *If  $A, B^*$  are 2-isometric operators, then  $(d_{AB} - \lambda)^{-1}(0) \subseteq (d_{AB}^* - \bar{\lambda})^{-1}(0)$  for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ .*

*Proof.* We can derive the result from Lemma 2.3, Corollary 2.5, Lemma 2.6 and Lemma 2.7.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.9.** *If  $A, B^*$  are 2-isometric operators, then  $asc(d_{AB} - \lambda) \leq 1$  for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ .*

*Proof.* It is obvious from Theorem 2.8.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.10.** *If  $A, B^*$  are 2-isometric operators, then  $H_0(d_{AB} - \lambda) = (d_{AB} - \lambda)^{-1}(0)$  for all  $\lambda \in iso\sigma(d_{AB})$ .*

*Proof.* Evidently,  $A$  and  $B^*$  are reduced by each of its eigenspaces;  $\sigma_p(A) \subseteq \partial\mathbb{D}$ ,  $\sigma_p(B^*) \subseteq \partial\mathbb{D}$ ; eigenvectors of 2-isometric operators corresponding to distinct eigenvalues are orthogonal. Recall [1] that  $\sigma(\delta_{AB}) = \{\lambda \in \sigma(A) - \sigma(B)\}$  and  $\sigma(\Delta_{AB}) = \{\lambda \in \sigma(A)\sigma(B) - 1\}$ . If  $\lambda \in iso\sigma(d_{AB})$ , then there exist finite sequences  $\{\alpha_i\}_1^m$  and  $\{\beta_i\}_1^m$  of isolated points in  $\sigma(A)$  and  $\sigma(B)$ , respectively, such that  $\lambda = \alpha_i - \beta_i$  if  $\lambda \in iso\sigma(\delta_{AB})$  and  $\lambda = \alpha_i\beta_i - 1$  if  $\lambda \in iso\sigma(\Delta_{AB})$ , for all  $1 \leq i \leq m$ . Let

$$M_1 = \oplus_{i=1}^m M_{1i}, M_{1i} = (A - \alpha_i)^{-1}(0) \text{ and } M_2 = H \ominus M_1$$

and

$$N_1 = \oplus_{i=1}^m N_{1i}, N_{1i} = (B - \beta_i)^{-1}(0) \text{ and } N_2 = H \ominus N_1.$$

Then  $A$  and  $B$  have the representations

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & 0 \\ 0 & A_2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ on } H = M_1 \oplus M_2,$$

and

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} B_1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ on } H = N_1 \oplus N_2.$$

Since the spectrum of  $A_2$  and  $B_2$  don’t contain isolated points, then  $\lambda \notin \sigma(d_{A_k B_t})$  for all  $1 \leq k, t \leq 2$  other than  $k = t = 1$ .

Let  $X \in H_0(d_{AB} - \lambda)$ , and let  $X \in B(N_1 \oplus N_2, M_1 \oplus M_2)$  have the representation  $X = [X_{kl}]_{k,l=1}^2$ . Then

$$(d_{AB} - \lambda)^n X = \begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ * & (d_{A_2 B_2} - \lambda)^n X_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

(for some, as yet, non specified entries \*). Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|(d_{AB} - \lambda)^n X\|^{\frac{1}{n}} = 0$  implies  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|(d_{A_2B_2} - \lambda)^n X_{22}\|^{\frac{1}{n}} = 0$ , and since  $d_{A_2B_2} - \lambda$  is invertible, we have  $X_{22} = 0$ , and then

$$(d_{AB} - \lambda)^n X = \begin{pmatrix} * & (d_{A_1B_2} - \lambda)^n X_{12} \\ (d_{A_2B_1} - \lambda)^n X_{21} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

(for some, as yet, non specified entries \*). Again, since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|(d_{AB} - \lambda)^n X\|^{\frac{1}{n}} = 0$  implies  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|(d_{A_1B_2} - \lambda)^n X_{12}\|^{\frac{1}{n}} = 0$ , and since  $d_{A_1B_2} - \lambda$  and  $d_{A_2B_1} - \lambda$  are invertible, we have  $X_{12} = 0 = X_{21}$ . Hence,  $(d_{AB} - \lambda)^n X = (d_{A_1B_1} - \lambda)^n X_{11}$ . Let  $X_{11} = [Y_{ij}]_{1 \leq i, j \leq m} \in B(\oplus_{i=1}^m N_{1i}, \oplus_{i=1}^m M_{1i})$ . Then, for  $1 \leq i, j \leq m$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta_{A_1B_1} - \lambda)^n (X_{11}) &= ((L_{A_1 - \alpha_i} - R_{B_1 - \beta_j}) + (\alpha_i - \beta_j - \lambda))^n [Y_{ij}]_{1 \leq i, j \leq m} \\ &= \left( \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} (L_{A_1 - \alpha_i} - R_{B_1 - \beta_j})^k (\alpha_i - \beta_j - \lambda)^{n-k} \right) [Y_{ij}]_{1 \leq i, j \leq m} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (\Delta_{A_1B_1} - \lambda)^n (X_{11}) &= (L_{A_1 - \alpha_i} R_{B_1} + \alpha_i R_{B_1 - \beta_j} + \alpha_i \beta_j - 1 - \lambda)^n [Y_{ij}]_{1 \leq i, j \leq m} \\ &= \left( \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} (L_{A_1 - \alpha_i} R_{B_1} + \alpha_i R_{B_1 - \beta_j})^k (\alpha_i \beta_j - 1 - \lambda)^{n-k} \right) [Y_{ij}]_{1 \leq i, j \leq m}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $(A_1 - \alpha_i)M_{1i} = 0 = (B_1 - \beta_j)N_{1i}$ , it follows that

$$(\delta_{A_1B_1} - \lambda)^n (X_{11}) = (\alpha_i - \beta_j - \lambda)^n [Y_{ij}]_{1 \leq i, j \leq m}$$

and

$$(\Delta_{A_1B_1} - \lambda)^n (X_{11}) = (\alpha_i \beta_j - 1 - \lambda)^n [Y_{ij}]_{1 \leq i, j \leq m}.$$

Recall,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|(d_{A_1B_1} - \lambda)^n X_{11}\|^{\frac{1}{n}} = 0$ ; hence  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\alpha_i - \beta_j - \lambda| \|Y_{ij}\|^{\frac{1}{n}} = 0$  in the case in which  $d = \delta$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\alpha_i \beta_j - 1 - \lambda| \|Y_{ij}\|^{\frac{1}{n}} = 0$  in the case in which  $d = \Delta$ . Thus  $Y_{ij} = 0$  for all  $i, j$  such that  $i \neq j$ . This implies that  $X = X_{11} = \oplus_{i=1}^m Y_{ii} \in (d_{AB} - \lambda)^{-1}(0)$ . Hence  $H_0(d_{AB} - \lambda) \subset (d_{AB} - \lambda)^{-1}(0)$ . Since the reverse inclusion holds for every operator, we must have  $H_0(d_{AB} - \lambda) = (d_{AB} - \lambda)^{-1}(0)$ .  $\square$

### 3. Weyl’s Theorem

An operator  $T$  is called Fredholm if  $R(T)$  is closed,  $\alpha(T) = \dim T^{-1}(0) < \infty$  and  $\beta(T) = \dim H/R(T) < \infty$ . Moreover if  $i(T) = \alpha(T) - \beta(T) = 0$ , then  $T$  is called Weyl. The Weyl spectrum of  $T$  [15] is defined by  $w(T) := \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : T - \lambda \text{ is not Weyl}\}$ .

We consider the sets

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_+(H) &:= \{T \in B(H) : R(T) \text{ is closed and } \alpha(T) < \infty\}; \\ \Phi_-(H) &:= \{T \in B(H) : T \in \Phi_+(H) \text{ and } i(T) \leq 0\}. \end{aligned}$$

And define

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{ea}(T) &:= \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : T - \lambda \notin \Phi_+(H)\}; \\ \pi_{00}(T) &:= \{\lambda \in \text{iso}\sigma(T) : 0 < \alpha(T - \lambda) < \infty\}; \\ \pi_{00}^a(T) &:= \{\lambda \in \text{iso}\sigma_a(T) : 0 < \alpha(T - \lambda) < \infty\}. \end{aligned}$$

Following [16], we say that Weyl’s theorem holds for  $T$  if  $\sigma(T) \setminus w(T) = \pi_{00}(T)$ , and that  $a$ -Weyl’s theorem holds for  $T$  if  $\sigma_a(T) \setminus \sigma_{ea}(T) = \pi_{00}^a(T)$ , where  $\sigma_a(T)$  is the approximate point spectrum of  $T$ .

More generally, Berkani investigated  $B$ -Fredholm theory and generalized Weyl’s theorem as follows (see [6–8]). 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,  $\alpha(T_{[n]}) = \dim T_{[n]}^{-1}(0) < \infty$  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  $B$ -Weyl spectrum  $\sigma_{BW}(T)$  is defined by  $\sigma_{BW}(T) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : T - \lambda \text{ is not } B\text{-Weyl}\}$ . We say that generalized Weyl’s theorem holds for  $T$  if  $\sigma(T) \setminus \sigma_{BW}(T) = E(T)$  where  $E(T) := \{\lambda \in \text{iso}\sigma(T) : 0 < \alpha(T - \lambda)\}$ . Note that, if generalized Weyl’s theorem holds for  $T$ , then so does Weyl’s theorem [7].

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,  $\dim T_{[n]}^{-1}(0) = \dim T^{-1}(0) \cap R(T^n) < \infty$  and  $i(T_{[n]}) \leq 0$  [8]). We define  $\sigma_{SBF_+^-}(T) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : T - \lambda \notin SBF_+^-(H)\}$ . We say that generalized  $a$ -Weyl’s theorem holds for  $T$  if  $\sigma_a(T) \setminus \sigma_{SBF_+^-}(T) = E^a(T)$ , where  $E^a(T) := \{\lambda \in \text{iso}\sigma_a(T) : 0 < \alpha(T - \lambda)\}$ . It’s known from [7, 19] 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 Weyl’s theorem  $\Rightarrow$  Weyl’s theorem.

We know that Weyl’s theorem holds for 2-isometric operators [18]. In this paper, we prove generalized Weyl’s theorem for the elementary and the generalized derivation with 2-isometric operators as entries.

Recall that  $T \in B(H)$  has the single valued extension property at  $\lambda_0 \in \mathbb{C}$  (SVEP at  $\lambda_0$  for short), if for every open neighborhood  $G$  of  $\lambda_0$ , the only analytic function  $f : G \rightarrow H$  which satisfies the equation  $(\lambda I - T)f(\lambda) = 0$  for all  $\lambda \in G$  is the function  $f \equiv 0$ . An operator  $T$  is said to have SVEP if  $T$  has SVEP at every point  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $A, B \in B(H)$ . If  $A, B^*$  are 2-isometric operators, then  $d_{AB}$  has SVEP.*

*Proof.* We can derive the result from Lemma 2.9.  $\square$

For an operator  $T \in B(H)$ , the analytic core  $K(T - \lambda)$  of  $T - \lambda$  is defined by  $K(T - \lambda) = \{x \in H : \text{there exists a sequence } \{x_n\} \subseteq H \text{ and } c > 0 \text{ for which } x = x_0, (T - \lambda)x_{n+1} = x_n \text{ and } \|x_n\| \leq c^n \|x\| \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . We note that  $H_0(T - \lambda)$  and  $K(T - \lambda)$  are generally non-closed hyperinvariant subspaces of  $T - \lambda$  such that  $N(T - \lambda)^n \subseteq H_0(T - \lambda)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $(T - \lambda)K(T - \lambda) = K(T - \lambda)$ ; also, if  $\lambda \in \text{iso}\sigma(T)$ , then  $H = H_0(T - \lambda) \dot{+} K(T - \lambda)$ , where  $H_0(T - \lambda)$  and  $K(T - \lambda)$  are closed.

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $A, B \in B(H)$ . If  $A, B^*$  are 2-isometric operators, then  $d_{AB}$  is polaroid.*

*Proof.* Let  $\lambda \in \text{iso}\sigma(d_{AB})$ . If  $A, B^*$  are 2-isometric operators, then  $H_0(d_{AB} - \lambda) = (d_{AB} - \lambda)^{-1}(0)$ . By [2, Theorem 3.76] we have  $H = H_0(d_{AB} - \lambda) \dot{+} K(d_{AB} - \lambda)$ . Thus  $d_{AB}$  is simply polaroid follows from the implications

$$\begin{aligned} H &= (d_{AB} - \lambda)^{-1}(0) \dot{+} K(d_{AB} - \lambda) \\ \Rightarrow (d_{AB} - \lambda)H &= 0 \dot{+} (d_{AB} - \lambda)K(d_{AB} - \lambda) = K(d_{AB} - \lambda) \\ \Rightarrow H &= (d_{AB} - \lambda)^{-1}(0) \dot{+} R(d_{AB} - \lambda). \end{aligned}$$

$\square$

**Corollary 3.3.** *Let  $A, B \in B(H)$ . If  $A, B^*$  are 2-isometric operators, then  $d_{AB}$  is isoloid and  $R(d_{AB} - \lambda)$  is closed for all  $\lambda \in \text{iso}\sigma(d_{AB})$ ,*

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let  $A, B \in B(H)$ . If  $A, B^*$  are 2-isometric operators, then generalized Weyl’s theorem holds for  $d_{AB}$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $d_{AB}$  has SVEP,  $d_{AB}$  satisfies generalized Browder’s theorem and generalized  $a$ -Browder’s theorem. A sufficient condition for an operator  $d_{AB}$  satisfying generalized Browder’s theorem to satisfy generalized Weyl’s theorem is that  $d_{AB}$  is polaroid. By Lemma 3.2 generalized Weyl’s theorem holds for  $d_{AB}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.5.** *Let  $A, B \in B(H)$ . If  $A, B^*$  are 2-isometric operators, then generalized  $a$ -Weyl’s theorem holds for  $d_{AB}^*$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $d_{AB}$  has SVEP and  $d_{AB}$  is polaroid, by [1, Theorem 3.10] generalized  $a$ -Weyl's theorem holds for  $d_{AB}^*$ .  $\square$

In the following, let  $H(\sigma(d_{AB}))$  denote the space of functions which are analytic on  $\sigma(d_{AB})$ , and let  $H_c(\sigma(d_{AB}))$  denote the space of  $f \in H(\sigma(d_{AB}))$  which are non-constant on every connected component of  $\sigma(d_{AB})$ .

**Theorem 3.6.** *Let  $A, B \in B(H)$ . If  $A, B^*$  are 2-isometric operators, then generalized Weyl's theorem holds for  $f(d_{AB})$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $d_{AB}$  has SVEP and  $d_{AB}$  is isoloid, we have that generalized Weyl's theorem holds for  $f(d_{AB})$  by [20, Theorem 2.2] and Theorem 3.4.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.7.** *Let  $A, B \in B(H)$ . If  $A, B^*$  are 2-isometric operators, then Weyl's theorem holds for  $f(d_{AB})$ .*

A bounded linear operator  $T \in B(H)$  is called  $a$ -isoloid if every isolated point of  $\sigma_a(T)$  is an eigenvalue of  $T$ . Note that every  $a$ -isoloid operator is isoloid and the converse is not true in general.

**Lemma 3.8.** *Let  $A, B \in B(H)$ . If  $A, B^*$  are 2-isometric operators, then  $d_{AB}^*$  is  $a$ -isoloid.*

*Proof.* Let  $\lambda$  be an isolated point of  $\sigma_a(d_{AB}^*)$ . Suppose that  $A, B^*$  are 2-isometric operators. By Lemma 3.1 and Lemma 3.2, we have that  $d_{AB}$  has SVEP and  $d_{AB}^*$  is isoloid. Hence,  $\sigma_a(d_{AB}^*) = \sigma(d_{AB}^*)$  by [14, Corollary 7]. We have that  $\lambda$  is an isolated point of  $\sigma(d_{AB}^*)$ . Since  $d_{AB}^*$  is isoloid, we have that  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $d_{AB}^*$ . Hence,  $d_{AB}^*$  is  $a$ -isoloid.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.9.** *Let  $A, B \in B(H)$ . If  $A, B^*$  are 2-isometric operators, then generalized  $a$ -Weyl's theorem holds for  $f(d_{AB}^*)$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $A, B^*$  are 2-isometric operators. Then  $d_{AB}$  has SVEP and  $d_{AB}^*$  is  $a$ -isoloid by Lemma 3.8, we have that generalized  $a$ -Weyl's theorem holds for  $f(d_{AB}^*)$  by [20, Theorem 2.4] and Theorem 3.5.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.10.** *Let  $A, B \in B(H)$ . If  $A, B^*$  are 2-isometric operators, then  $a$ -Weyl's theorem holds for  $f(d_{AB}^*)$ .*

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