



Self-Adjoint Perturbations of Left (Right) Weyl Spectrum for Upper Triangular Operator Matrices

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Abstract. Let \mathcal{H} be a separable infinite-dimensional Hilbert space. Given the operators $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ and $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, we define $M_X := \begin{bmatrix} A & X \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix}$ where $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$ is a self-adjoint operator. In this paper, a necessary and sufficient condition is given for M_X to be a left (right) Weyl operator for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$. Moreover, it is shown that

$$\bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_*(M_X) = \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) \cap \text{Inv}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_*(M_X) = \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_*(M_X) \cup \Delta,$$

where σ_* is the left (right) Weyl spectrum. Finally, we further characterize the perturbation of the left (right) Weyl spectrum for Hamiltonian operators.

1. Introduction

We assume throughout that \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{K} are separable infinite dimensional Hilbert spaces. If T is a bounded linear operator from \mathcal{H} to \mathcal{K} , we write $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})$ and, if $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{K}$, $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. By $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$ denote the subset of $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ whose elements are self-adjoint. The identity operator on \mathcal{H} is denoted by $I_{\mathcal{H}}$ and simply by I if the underlying space is clear from the context. Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})$. Then $\mathcal{N}(T)$, $\mathcal{R}(T)$ and T^* are, respectively, used to denote the kernel, the range and the adjoint of T , and we write $n(T) := \dim \mathcal{N}(T)$ and $d(T) := \dim \mathcal{N}(T^*)$.

For $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})$ with closed range $\mathcal{R}(T)$, T is said to be left Fredholm, if $n(T) < \infty$; while if $d(T) < \infty$, we say T is right Fredholm. If T is both left and right Fredholm, then it is Fredholm. For $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, the left (right) essential spectrum and essential spectrum are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{le}(T)(\sigma_{re}(T)) &= \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : T - \lambda \text{ is not left (right) Fredholm}\}, \\ \sigma_e(T) &= \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : T - \lambda \text{ is not Fredholm}\}. \end{aligned}$$

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If $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})$ is left or right Fredholm, we define the index of T by $\text{ind}(T) := n(T) - d(T)$. Then T is called left Weyl if it is left Fredholm with $\text{ind}(T) \leq 0$, right Weyl if right Fredholm with $\text{ind}(T) \geq 0$, and Weyl if Fredholm with $\text{ind}(T) = 0$. For $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, the sets

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{lw}(T)(\sigma_{rw}(T)) &= \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : T - \lambda \text{ is not left (right) Weyl}\}, \\ \sigma_w(T) &= \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : T - \lambda \text{ is not Weyl}\} \end{aligned}$$

are called left (right) Weyl spectrum and Weyl spectrum. For convenience, we define $\rho_\star(T) := \mathbb{C} \setminus \sigma_\star(T)$ in which $\sigma_\star \in \{\sigma_{le}, \sigma_{re}, \sigma_e\}$ and $\rho_\star \in \{\rho_{le}, \rho_{re}, \rho_e\}$.

For given $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ and $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{K})$, define

$$M_X := \begin{bmatrix} A & X \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H} \oplus \mathcal{K})$$

where $X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{H})$ is an unknown element. The spectrum and its various subdivisions of M_X are considered in many papers such as [2–5, 7–9, 11–18] and the references therein. In [4] and [5], the perturbations of the left and right Weyl spectra of M_X were, respectively, given by

$$\begin{aligned} \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{H})} \sigma_{lw}(M_X) &= \sigma_{le}(A) \cup \{\lambda \in \sigma_m(B) : d(A - \lambda) < \infty\} \\ &\quad \cup \{\lambda \in \rho_m(B) : n(B - \lambda) = d(B - \lambda) = \infty, d(A - \lambda) < \infty\} \\ &\quad \cup \{\lambda \in \rho_m(B) : n(A - \lambda) + n(B - \lambda) > d(A - \lambda) + d(B - \lambda)\}, \\ \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{H})} \sigma_{rw}(M_X) &= \sigma_{re}(B) \cup \{\lambda \in \sigma_m(A) : n(B - \lambda) < \infty\} \\ &\quad \cup \{\lambda \in \rho_m(A) : n(A - \lambda) = d(A - \lambda) = \infty, n(B - \lambda) < \infty\} \\ &\quad \cup \{\lambda \in \rho_m(A) : n(A - \lambda) + n(B - \lambda) < d(A - \lambda) + d(B - \lambda)\}. \end{aligned}$$

In [16], the authors proved that

$$\bigcap_{X \in \text{Inv}(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{H})} \sigma_{lw}(M_X) = \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{H})} \sigma_{lw}(M_X) \cup \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : B - \lambda \text{ is compact}\},$$

where $\text{Inv}(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{H})$ denotes the set of all the invertible operators of $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{H})$. In [9, 18], the authors making use of the single-valued extension property, estimated the defect sets $(\sigma_\star(A) \cup \sigma_\star(B)) \setminus \sigma_\star(M_X)$ and obtained some sufficient conditions for

$$\sigma_\star(M_X) = \sigma_\star(A) \cup \sigma_\star(B),$$

where σ_\star runs different spectra.

Let $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Recall that an upper triangular Hamiltonian operator is a block operator matrix of the particular form

$$H_X := \begin{bmatrix} A & X \\ 0 & -A \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H} \oplus \mathcal{H}),$$

where $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$. Hamiltonian operators play a fundamental role in algebraic Riccati equations, control theory, elasticity mechanics and other areas. This paper is motivated by the perturbation of left (right) Weyl spectrum for H_X . Note that, for a Hamiltonian operator H_X , $H_X - \lambda$ is not necessary a Hamiltonian operator. Thus, we consider the following more general questions:

Question 1. Is there a self-adjoint operator $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$ such that M_X is left (right) Weyl, left (right) Browder, left (right) Drazin?

Question 2. $\bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_\star(M_X) = ?$ where σ_\star is any type of spectrum.

In [11, 13, 17], the authors investigated the self-adjoint perturbations of the spectra and Weyl spectra of M_X .

This paper mainly aims to characterize the left (right) Weylness of M_X for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$. A second aim is to describe the following self-adjoint perturbations

$$\bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{lw}(M_X), \quad \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{rw}(M_X),$$

and explore the relationship between

$$\bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{\star}(M_X), \quad \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{\star}(M_X) \quad \text{and} \quad \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) \cap \text{Inv}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{\star}(M_X),$$

where $\sigma_{\star} \in \{\sigma_{lw}, \sigma_{rw}\}$. As a byproduct, we also obtain a necessary and sufficient condition such that

$$\sigma_{\star}(M_X) = \sigma_{\star}(A) \cup \sigma_{\star}(B) \quad \text{for every } X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$$

by using the spectral properties of the given diagonal entries $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Finally, a third aim is to develop the analogues for Hamiltonian operators, which is actually our original motivation for considering such self-adjoint perturbations.

2. Preliminaries

We begin with some basic lemmas, which are useful for the proofs of the main results of this paper.

Lemma 2.1 (see [1, Remark 1.54]). *Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})$ be left (right) Fredholm, and let $S \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})$ be a compact operator. Then $T + S$ is a left (right) Fredholm operator with $\text{ind}(T + S) = \text{ind}(T)$.*

Lemma 2.2 (see [6, Lemma 5.8]). *Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{K})$. Then T is compact if and only if $\mathcal{R}(T)$ contains no closed infinite dimensional subspaces.*

Lemma 2.3 (see [4, Theorem 2.1]). *Let $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ and $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{K})$. Then M_X is a left Weyl operator for some $X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{H})$ if and only if A is left Fredholm, and one of the following statements is fulfilled:*

- (i) $d(A) = \infty$;
- (ii) $\begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix}$ is a left Weyl operator.

Lemma 2.4 (see [4, Theorem 2.3]). *Let $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ and $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{K})$. Then M_X is a right Weyl operator for some $X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{H})$ if and only if B is right Fredholm, and one of the following statements is fulfilled:*

- (i) $n(B) = \infty$;
- (ii) $\begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix}$ is a right Weyl operator.

3. Main results

In this section, we present the main results of this paper and their proofs. First, we establish the left Weylness of M_X .

For a linear subspace $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$, $\overline{\mathcal{M}}$ and \mathcal{M}^\perp stand for the closure and the orthogonal complement of \mathcal{M} , respectively. Write $T|_{\mathcal{M}}$ for the restriction of T to \mathcal{M} and $P_{\mathcal{M}}$ for the orthogonal projection onto \mathcal{M} along \mathcal{M}^\perp when \mathcal{M} is closed.

Theorem 3.1. *Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then M_X is a left Weyl operator for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$ if and only if A is left Fredholm, and one of the following statements is fulfilled:*

- (i) $B|_{\mathcal{R}(A)} : \mathcal{R}(A) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ is a left Fredholm operator with $\text{ind}(B|_{\mathcal{R}(A)}) \leq -n(A)$;
- (ii) $B|_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} : \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ is a non-compact operator. In addition, the collection of all $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$, completing M_X as a left Weyl operator, is further given by

$$S_{LW}(A, B) = \{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) : \begin{bmatrix} P_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} X \\ B \end{bmatrix} : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \\ \mathcal{H} \end{bmatrix} \text{ is left Fredholm with } \text{ind}\left(\begin{bmatrix} P_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} X \\ B \end{bmatrix}\right) \leq -n(A)\}. \quad (1)$$

Proof. Let A is left Fredholm. Picking a finite dimensional subspace \mathcal{M} of \mathcal{H} satisfying $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{M} \oplus \mathcal{M}^\perp$ and $\dim \mathcal{M} = n(A)$. Then, we have

$$M_X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & A_1 & X_{11} & X_{12} \\ 0 & 0 & X_{21} & X_{22} \\ 0 & 0 & B_{11} & B_{12} \\ 0 & 0 & B_{21} & B_{22} \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{N}(A) \\ \mathcal{N}(A)^\perp \\ \mathcal{R}(A) \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}(A) \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \\ \mathcal{M}^\perp \\ \mathcal{M} \end{bmatrix} \tag{2}$$

for any $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$, where $A_1 : \mathcal{N}(A)^\perp \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(A)$ is invertible and $X_{22}^* = X_{22}$. Hence there exists the invertible operator

$$V := \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I & -A_1^{-1}X_{11} & -A_1^{-1}X_{12} \\ 0 & 0 & I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & I \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{N}(A) \\ \mathcal{N}(A)^\perp \\ \mathcal{R}(A) \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{N}(A) \\ \mathcal{N}(A)^\perp \\ \mathcal{R}(A) \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix}$$

such that

$$M_X V = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & A_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & X_{21} & X_{22} \\ 0 & 0 & B_{11} & B_{12} \\ 0 & 0 & B_{21} & B_{22} \end{bmatrix}. \tag{3}$$

Necessity. Assume that M_X be a left Weyl operator for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$. Clearly, A is left Fredholm. From (3) and Lemma 2.1, it follows that

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_{21} & X_{22} \\ B_{11} & B_{12} \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}(A) \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \\ \mathcal{M}^\perp \end{bmatrix} \tag{4}$$

is left Weyl. Thus there exists an invertible operator $W \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{M}^\perp, \mathcal{R}(A))$ such that

$$\begin{bmatrix} B_{11}W & B_{12} \\ X_{21}W & X_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} W & 0 \\ 0 & I_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} \end{bmatrix} \tag{5}$$

is left Weyl. Now we consider two cases.

Case 1: B_{12} is a compact operator. By Lemma 2.1, the left Weylness of the operator matrix (5) implies that

$$\begin{bmatrix} B_{11}W & 0 \\ X_{21}W & X_{22} \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{M}^\perp \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{M}^\perp \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix}$$

is left Weyl. By Lemma 2.3, X_{22} is left Fredholm, which together with $X_{22} \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp)$ implies the Weylness of X_{22} . It follows that $B_{11}W$ is a left Weyl operator. This implies that

$$\begin{bmatrix} B_{11} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} : \mathcal{R}(A) \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{M}^\perp \\ \mathcal{M} \end{bmatrix}$$

is left Fredholm and $\text{ind} \left(\begin{bmatrix} B_{11} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \leq -n(A)$. From Lemma 2.1, it follows that $\begin{bmatrix} B_{11} \\ B_{21} \end{bmatrix}$ is left Fredholm and $\text{ind} \left(\begin{bmatrix} B_{11} \\ B_{21} \end{bmatrix} \right) \leq -n(A)$. The assertion (i) follows from $B|_{\mathcal{R}(A)} = \begin{bmatrix} B_{11} \\ B_{21} \end{bmatrix}$ right away.

Case 2: B_{12} is a non-compact operator. Since $\dim \mathcal{M} < \infty$, it follows that

$$\begin{bmatrix} B_{12} \\ B_{22} \end{bmatrix} : \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{M}^\perp \\ \mathcal{M} \end{bmatrix}$$

is non-compact, assertion (ii) is proven.

Sufficiency. Let A is left Fredholm. From assertion (i), we easily see that $B_{11} : \mathcal{R}(A) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^\perp$ is a left Weyl operator. If B_{12} is a compact operator, then define by

$$X := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}(A) \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}(A) \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix}$$

and we verify that M_X is clearly left Weyl.

Now assume that assertion (ii) holds. From the relation (3), we need only show that the operator matrix (4) is left Weyl for some $X_{21} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{R}(A), \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp)$ and $X_{22} \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp)$ in order to prove the desired result. Define $X_{22} := I_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp}$. It is easy to see that

$$\begin{bmatrix} B_{12} \\ X_{22} \end{bmatrix} : \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{M}^\perp \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix}$$

is left Fredholm and $P_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp}(\mathcal{N}[X_{22}^* \ B_{12}^*])$ contains a closed infinite dimensional subspace \mathcal{G} from Lemma 2.2. We take an orthogonal decomposition $\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{G}_1 \oplus \mathcal{G}_2$ of \mathcal{G} such that \mathcal{G}_1 and \mathcal{G}_2 are closed infinite-dimensional subspace of \mathcal{G} . Then there exists a right invertible operator $S \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp, \mathcal{R}(A))$ such that $\mathcal{N}(S)^\perp = \mathcal{G}_1$. Since $\mathcal{R}(P_{\mathcal{G}}) \subset \mathcal{R}(B_{12}^*)$, therefore $(B_{12}^*)^\dagger P_{\mathcal{G}_1} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp, \mathcal{R}(A))$. Define

$$X_{21}^* = S + B_{11}^* (B_{12}^*)^\dagger P_{\mathcal{G}_1}. \tag{6}$$

Then the operator matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_{22}^* & B_{12}^* \\ X_{21}^* & B_{11}^* \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \\ \mathcal{M}^\perp \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \\ \mathcal{R}(A) \end{bmatrix} \tag{7}$$

is right Weyl. In fact, let $\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{R}([X_{22}^* \ B_{12}^*]) \oplus \mathcal{R}(A)$. Since $\mathcal{R}(P_{\mathcal{G}}) \subset \mathcal{R}(B_{12}^*)$, there exist $x_0 \in \mathcal{G}^\perp$ (with $\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp = \mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}^\perp$) and $y_0 \in \mathcal{M}^\perp$ such that $x_0 + B_{12}^* y_0 = u_1$. From the definition of S , it follows that $S\hat{x}_0 = u_2 - B_{11}^* y_0$ for some $\hat{x}_0 \in \mathcal{G}_1$. If we choose $x_1 := x_0 + \hat{x}_0$ and $y_1 := y_0 - (B_{12}^*)^\dagger \hat{x}_0$, then we get

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_{22}^* & B_{12}^* \\ X_{21}^* & B_{11}^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 + \hat{x}_0 + B_{12}^* y_1 \\ S\hat{x}_0 + B_{11}^* (B_{12}^*)^\dagger \hat{x}_0 + B_{11}^* y_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

This proves the right Fredholmness of (7). Note that $\mathcal{R}(X_{22}^* P_{\mathcal{G}}) \subset \mathcal{R}(B_{12}^*)$. Then there exists $y'_0 \in \mathcal{M}^\perp$ such that $x'_0 + B_{12}^* y'_0 = 0$ for all $x'_0 \in \mathcal{G}_2$. The right invertibility of S further implies $S\hat{x}'_0 = -B_{11}^* y'_0$ for some $\hat{x}'_0 \in \mathcal{G}_1$. Define $x_1 := x'_0 + \hat{x}'_0$ and $y_1 := y'_0 - (B_{12}^*)^\dagger \hat{x}'_0$, then

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_{22}^* & B_{12}^* \\ X_{21}^* & B_{11}^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x'_0 + \hat{x}'_0 + B_{12}^* y_1 \\ S\hat{x}'_0 + B_{11}^* (B_{12}^*)^\dagger \hat{x}'_0 + B_{11}^* y_1 \end{bmatrix} = 0.$$

The arbitrariness of $x'_0 \in \mathcal{G}_2$ results in

$$n\left(\begin{bmatrix} X_{22}^* & B_{12}^* \\ X_{21}^* & B_{11}^* \end{bmatrix}\right) = \infty > d\left(\begin{bmatrix} X_{22}^* & B_{12}^* \\ X_{21}^* & B_{11}^* \end{bmatrix}\right).$$

Therefore, the operator matrix (4) is left Weyl. Define $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$

$$X := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & X_{21}^* \\ X_{21} & X_{22} \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}(A) \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}(A) \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then M_X is a left Weyl operator.

From the fact $\begin{bmatrix} X_{21} & X_{22} \end{bmatrix} = P_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} X$ and the previous proof, the relation (1) is clearly valid. \square

Remark 3.2. In the Theorem above, the assertion (i) holds if and only if BA is a left Fredholm operator with $\text{ind}(BA) \leq 0$, since $\mathcal{R}(B|_{\mathcal{R}(A)}) = \mathcal{R}(BA)$ and $n(BA) = n(A) + n(B|_{\mathcal{R}(A)})$. Furthermore, if $d(A) < \infty$, then we easily obtain that

$$\text{ind}(B|_{\mathcal{R}(A)}) = n(B) - d(A) - d(B). \tag{8}$$

The following is a dual result of Theorem 3.1.

Theorem 3.3. Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then M_X is a right Weyl operator for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$ if and only if B is right Fredholm, and one of the following statements is fulfilled:

- (i) $A^*|_{\mathcal{R}(B^*)}: \mathcal{R}(B^*) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ is a left Fredholm operator and $\text{ind}(A^*|_{\mathcal{R}(B^*)}) \leq -d(B)$;
- (ii) $A^*|_{\mathcal{R}(B^*)^\perp}: \mathcal{R}(B^*)^\perp \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ is non-compact operator. In addition, the set of all $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$, completing M_X as a right Weyl operator, is further given by

$$S_{RW}(A, B) = \{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) : [A \ X \ |_{\mathcal{N}(B)}] : \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{H} \\ \mathcal{N}(B) \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \mathcal{H} \text{ is right Fredholm and } \text{ind}\left(\begin{bmatrix} P_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} X \\ B \end{bmatrix}\right) \leq -d(B)\}.$$

Theorem 3.4. Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then M_X is a left Weyl operator for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) \cap \text{Inv}(\mathcal{H})$ if and only if M_X is a left Weyl operator for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$.

Proof. For the proof, we only need to prove the Sufficiency. Let M_X is a left Weyl operator for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$. Again, M_X has the representation (2) for any $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$. By Theorem 3.1, $B_{11} : \mathcal{R}(A) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^\perp$ is a left Weyl operator and B_{12} is a compact operator, or B_{12} is a non-compact operator. If $B_{11} : \mathcal{R}(A) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^\perp$ is a left Weyl operator and B_{12} is a compact operator, then define by

$$X := \begin{bmatrix} I_{\mathcal{R}(A)} & 0 \\ 0 & I_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}(A) \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}(A) \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix}$$

and we verify that M_X is clearly left Weyl. If B_{12} is a non-compact operator, define $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) \cap \text{Inv}(\mathcal{H})$

$$X := \begin{bmatrix} X_{11} & X_{21}^* \\ X_{21} & X_{22} \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}(A) \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}(A) \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix},$$

where $X_{11} = 4\|X_{21}\|^2 I_{\mathcal{R}(A)}$, $X_{22} = I_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp}$, and X_{21}^* as in (6). It is easy to see that $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$. Now we will prove that $X \in \text{Inv}(\mathcal{H})$. Since $X_{11} = 4\|X_{21}\|^2 I_{\mathcal{R}(A)} \in \text{Inv}(\mathcal{R}(A))$, thus the invertible operators $U \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{R}(A) \oplus \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp)$ and $V \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{R}(A) \oplus \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp)$ given by

$$U := \begin{bmatrix} I_{\mathcal{R}(A)} & 0 \\ -X_{21} X_{11}^{-1} & I_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} \end{bmatrix}, \quad V := \begin{bmatrix} I_{\mathcal{R}(A)} & -X_{11}^{-1} X_{21}^* \\ 0 & I_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} \end{bmatrix}$$

are such that

$$UXV = \begin{bmatrix} X_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & I_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} - X_{21} X_{11}^{-1} X_{21}^* \end{bmatrix}.$$

Note that

$$\|X_{21} X_{11}^{-1} X_{21}^*\| \leq \|X_{21}\| \|X_{11}^{-1}\| \|X_{21}^*\| = \frac{1}{4} < 1,$$

it follows that $I_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} - X_{21} X_{11}^{-1} X_{21}^* \in \text{Inv}(\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp)$. This together with the invertibility of X_{11} implies that $X \in \text{Inv}(\mathcal{H})$. From the proof of the sufficiency of Theorem 3.1, we obtain that M_X is a left Weyl operator.

□

The following is a dual result of Theorem 3.4.

Theorem 3.5. Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then M_X is a right Weyl operator for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) \cap \text{Inv}(\mathcal{H})$ if and only if M_X is a right Weyl operator for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$.

As a direct consequence of Theorem 3.1, of Theorem 3.3, one can obtain

Corollary 3.6. *Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{lw}(M_X) &= \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) \cap \text{Inv}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{lw}(M_X) \\ &= \sigma_{le}(A) \cup \{ \lambda \in \rho_{le}(A) : (B - \lambda) |_{\mathcal{R}(A-\lambda)} \text{ is not left Fredholm, } (B - \lambda) |_{\mathcal{R}(A-\lambda)^\perp} \text{ is compact} \} \\ &\quad \cup \{ \lambda \in \rho_{le}(A) : (B - \lambda) |_{\mathcal{R}(A-\lambda)} \text{ is left Fredholm, } (B - \lambda) |_{\mathcal{R}(A-\lambda)^\perp} \text{ is compact,} \\ &\quad \text{ind}((B - \lambda) |_{\mathcal{R}(A-\lambda)}) > -n(A - \lambda) \}, \\ \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{rw}(M_X) &= \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) \cap \text{Inv}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{rw}(M_X) \\ &= \sigma_{re}(B) \cup \{ \lambda \in \rho_{re}(B) : (A^* - \bar{\lambda}) |_{\mathcal{R}(B^*-\bar{\lambda})} \text{ is not left Fredholm, } (A^* - \bar{\lambda}) |_{\mathcal{R}(B^*-\bar{\lambda})^\perp} \text{ is compact, } \} \\ &\quad \cup \{ \lambda \in \rho_{re}(B) : (A^* - \bar{\lambda}) |_{\mathcal{R}(B^*-\bar{\lambda})} \text{ is left Fredholm, } (A^* - \bar{\lambda}) |_{\mathcal{R}(B^*-\bar{\lambda})^\perp} \text{ is compact,} \\ &\quad \text{ind}((A^* - \bar{\lambda}) |_{\mathcal{R}(B^*-\bar{\lambda})}) > -n(B^* - \bar{\lambda}) \}. \end{aligned}$$

Corollary 3.7. *Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then*

$$\bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{lw}(M_X) = \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) \cap \text{Inv}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{lw}(M_X) = \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{lw}(M_X) \cup \Delta,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= \{ \lambda \in \rho_{le}(A) : d(A - \lambda) = \infty, (B - \lambda) |_{\mathcal{R}(A-\lambda)} \text{ is not left Fredholm, } (B - \lambda) |_{\mathcal{R}(A-\lambda)^\perp} \text{ is compact} \} \\ &\quad \cup \{ \lambda \in \rho_{le}(A) : d(A - \lambda) = \infty, (B - \lambda) |_{\mathcal{R}(A-\lambda)} \text{ is left Fredholm,} \\ &\quad (B - \lambda) |_{\mathcal{R}(A-\lambda)^\perp} \text{ is compact, ind}((B - \lambda) |_{\mathcal{R}(A-\lambda)}) > -n(A - \lambda) \}. \end{aligned}$$

In particular,

$$\bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{lw}(M_X) = \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{lw}(M_X)$$

if and only if $\Delta = \emptyset$.

Proof. For the proof, we need only use Lemma 2.3 and Theorem 3.1 directly. \square

Corollary 3.8. *Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then*

$$\bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{rw}(M_X) = \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) \cap \text{Inv}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{rw}(M_X) = \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{rw}(M_X) \cup \Delta,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= \{ \lambda \in \rho_{re}(B) : n(B - \lambda) = \infty, (A^* - \bar{\lambda}) |_{\mathcal{R}(B^*-\bar{\lambda})} \text{ is not left Fredholm, } (A^* - \bar{\lambda}) |_{\mathcal{R}(B^*-\bar{\lambda})^\perp} \text{ is compact} \} \\ &\quad \cup \{ \lambda \in \rho_{re}(B) : n(B - \lambda) = \infty, (A^* - \bar{\lambda}) |_{\mathcal{R}(B^*-\bar{\lambda})} \text{ is left Fredholm,} \\ &\quad (A^* - \bar{\lambda}) |_{\mathcal{R}(B^*-\bar{\lambda})^\perp} \text{ is compact, ind}((A^* - \bar{\lambda}) |_{\mathcal{R}(B^*-\bar{\lambda})}) > -d(B - \lambda) \}. \end{aligned}$$

In particular,

$$\bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{rw}(M_X) = \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{rw}(M_X)$$

if and only if $\Delta = \emptyset$.

Corollary 3.9. *Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then*

$$\sigma_{lw}(A) \cup \sigma_{lw}(B) = \sigma_{lw}(M_X) \cup \bigcup_{k=1}^4 \Delta_k$$

holds for every $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$, where

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_1 &:= \{\lambda \in \rho_{le}(A) \cap \rho_{le}(B) : n(A - \lambda) > d(A - \lambda), n(A - \lambda) + n(B - \lambda) \leq d(A - \lambda) + d(B - \lambda)\}, \\ \Delta_2 &:= \{\lambda \in \rho_{le}(A) \cap \rho_{le}(B) : n(B - \lambda) > d(B - \lambda), d(A - \lambda) < \infty, n(A - \lambda) + n(B - \lambda) \leq d(A - \lambda) + d(B - \lambda)\}, \\ \Delta_3 &:= \{\lambda \in \rho_{le}(A) \cap \sigma_{lw}(B) : d(A - \lambda) = \infty, (B - \lambda) |_{\mathcal{R}(A-\lambda)} \text{ is left Fredholm, } \text{ind}((B - \lambda) |_{\mathcal{R}(A-\lambda)}) \leq -n(A - \lambda)\}, \\ \Delta_4 &:= \{\lambda \in \rho_{le}(A) \cap \sigma_{lw}(B) : d(A - \lambda) = \infty, (B - \lambda) |_{\mathcal{R}(A-\lambda)^\perp} \text{ is non-compact}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. The inclusion $\sigma_{lw}(M_X) \cup \bigcup_{k=1}^4 \Delta_k \subseteq \sigma_{lw}(A) \cup \sigma_{lw}(B)$ for every $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$ is trivial.

We prove here the opposite inclusion. Let $\lambda \in (\sigma_{lw}(A) \cup \sigma_{lw}(B)) \setminus \sigma_{lw}(M_X)$ for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$. Then, it is obvious that $\lambda \in \rho_{le}(A)$. If $\lambda \in \sigma_{lw}(A) \setminus \sigma_{lw}(B)$, then $\lambda \in \rho_{le}(B)$ and $n(A - \lambda) > d(A - \lambda)$. This, together with $\lambda \notin \sigma_{lw}(M_X)$ implies that $n(A - \lambda) + n(B - \lambda) \leq d(A - \lambda) + d(B - \lambda)$ from Theorem 3.1 and equation (8). Thus, $\lambda \in \Delta_1$. If $\lambda \in \sigma_{lw}(B)$, then $\lambda \in \Delta_2 \cup \Delta_3 \cup \Delta_4$ from Theorem 3.1. Therefore, $\sigma_{lw}(A) \cup \sigma_{lw}(B) \subseteq \sigma_{lw}(M_X) \cup \bigcup_{k=1}^4 \Delta_k$. \square

Corollary 3.10. Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then

$$\sigma_{lw}(A) \cup \sigma_{lw}(B) = \sigma_{lw}(M_X)$$

holds for every $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$ if and only if

$$\Delta_1 \cup \Delta_2 \cup \Delta_3 \cup \Delta_4 = \emptyset,$$

where $\Delta_k (k = 1, 2, 3, 4)$ defined as in the Corollary 3.9.

Proof. From the proof of Corollary 3.9, we immediately have the desired result. \square

The following is a dual result of Corollary 3.9.

Corollary 3.11. Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then

$$\sigma_{rw}(A) \cup \sigma_{rw}(B) = \sigma_{rw}(M_X) \cup \bigcup_{k=1}^4 \Delta_k$$

holds for every $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$, where

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_1 &:= \{\lambda \in \rho_{re}(A) \cap \rho_{re}(B) : d(A - \lambda) > n(A - \lambda), n(B - \lambda) < \infty, d(A - \lambda) + d(B - \lambda) \leq n(A - \lambda) + n(B - \lambda)\}, \\ \Delta_2 &:= \{\lambda \in \rho_{re}(A) \cap \rho_{re}(B) : d(B - \lambda) > n(B - \lambda), d(A - \lambda) + d(B - \lambda) \leq n(A - \lambda) + n(B - \lambda)\}, \\ \Delta_3 &:= \{\lambda \in \rho_{re}(B) \cap \sigma_{rw}(A) : n(B - \lambda) = \infty, (A^* - \bar{\lambda}) |_{\mathcal{R}(B^* - \bar{\lambda})} \text{ is left Fredholm, } \text{ind}((A^* - \bar{\lambda}) |_{\mathcal{R}(B^* - \bar{\lambda})}) \leq -d(B - \lambda)\}, \\ \Delta_4 &:= \{\lambda \in \rho_{re}(B) \cap \sigma_{rw}(A) : n(B - \lambda) = \infty, (A^* - \bar{\lambda}) |_{\mathcal{R}(B^* - \bar{\lambda})^\perp} \text{ is non-compact}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Corollary 3.12. Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then

$$\sigma_{rw}(A) \cup \sigma_{rw}(B) = \sigma_{rw}(M_X)$$

holds for every $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$ if and only if

$$\Delta_1 \cup \Delta_2 \cup \Delta_3 \cup \Delta_4 = \emptyset,$$

where $\Delta_k (k = 1, 2, 3, 4)$ defined as in the Corollary 3.11.

We end this section by analyzing some special cases of our main results.

Corollary 3.13. Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. If A is left Fredholm, then M_X is left Weyl for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$ if and only if $P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp} B |_{\mathcal{R}(A)} + P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp} B |_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} F$ is left Weyl for some $F \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{R}(A), \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp)$, where \mathcal{M} is a finite dimensional subspace of \mathcal{H} with $\dim \mathcal{M} = n(A)$.

Proof. Write $B_1 := B|_{\mathcal{R}(A)}$ and $B_2 := B|_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp}$. Let \mathcal{M} be a finite dimensional subspace of \mathcal{H} with $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{M} \oplus \mathcal{M}^\perp$ and $\dim \mathcal{M} = n(A)$. Assume that M_X is left Weyl for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$. By Theorem 3.1, we have that $P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_1$ is a left Weyl operator, or that $P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_2$ is a non-compact operator. Note that $\mathcal{R}(A)$ is an infinite dimensional closed subspace of \mathcal{H} . Then there exists an invertible operator $U \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{M}^\perp, \mathcal{R}(A))$ such that $P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_1U$ is a left Weyl operator or $P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_2$ is a non-compact operator.

If $P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_2$ is a non-compact operator, then, from the proof of the sufficiency of Theorem 3.1, there exists $F \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{R}(A), \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp)$ such that

$$\begin{bmatrix} P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_1U & P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_2 \\ -FU & I_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{M}^\perp \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{M}^\perp \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix}$$

is left Weyl. Since

$$\begin{bmatrix} P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_1 & P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_2 \\ -F & I_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U & 0 \\ 0 & I_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_1U & P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_2 \\ -FU & I_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} \end{bmatrix},$$

it follows that

$$\begin{bmatrix} P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_1 & P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_2 \\ -F & I_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}(A) \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{M}^\perp \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix} \tag{9}$$

is left Weyl. This, together with

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} I_{\mathcal{M}^\perp} & -P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_2 \\ 0 & I_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_1 & P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_2 \\ -F & I_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_{\mathcal{R}(A)} & 0 \\ F & I_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} \end{bmatrix} \\ = & \begin{bmatrix} P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_1 + P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_2F & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

implies that $P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_1 + P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_2F$ is a left Weyl operator.

If $P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_2$ is a compact operator, then $P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_1$ is a left Weyl operator. Then, for any $F \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{R}(A), \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp)$, we see that

$$\begin{bmatrix} P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_1 & 0 \\ -F & I_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp} \end{bmatrix} : \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{R}(A) \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{M}^\perp \\ \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp \end{bmatrix}$$

is left Weyl. Applying Lemma 2.1, we infer that (9) is left Weyl. By the factorization (10), we conclude that $P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_1 + P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_2F$ is a left Weyl operator.

Conversely, let $P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_1 + P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_2F$ is left Weyl for some $F \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{R}(A), \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp)$. Then, either B_2 is compact and $P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}B_1$ is left Weyl or B_2 is a non-compact operator. Note that $\dim \mathcal{M} = n(A) < \infty$. From Theorem 3.1, we see that M_X is left Weyl for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$. \square

Corollary 3.14. *Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. If B is right Fredholm, then M_X is right Weyl for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$ if and only if $P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}A^*|_{\mathcal{R}(B^*)} + P_{\mathcal{M}^\perp}A^*|_{\mathcal{R}(B^*)^\perp}F$ is right Weyl for some $F \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{R}(B^*), \mathcal{R}(B^*)^\perp)$, where \mathcal{M} is a finite dimensional subspace of \mathcal{H} with $\dim \mathcal{M} = d(B)$.*

Corollary 3.15. *Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be given operators with $d(A) < \infty$. Then M_X is left Weyl for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$ if and only if M_X is left Weyl for some $X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$.*

Proof. Let M_X be left Weyl for some $X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then, in combination with $d(A) < \infty$, we obtain that A is left Fredholm, B is left Fredholm and $n(A) + n(B) \leq d(A) + d(B)$. Hence $B|_{\mathcal{R}(A)}$ is Fredholm and $\text{ind}(B|_{\mathcal{R}(A)}) \leq -n(A)$. By Theorem 3.1, M_X is left Weyl for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$. The opposite implication is trivial. \square

The following is a dual result of Corollary 3.15.

Corollary 3.16. *Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be given operators with $n(B) < \infty$. Then M_X is right Weyl for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$ if and only if M_X is right Weyl for some $X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$.*

4. Applications and examples

Let $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. We denote H_X by the operator on $\mathcal{H} \oplus \mathcal{H}$ of the form

$$H_X := \begin{bmatrix} A & X \\ 0 & -A^* \end{bmatrix}$$

with $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$ unknown, which is clearly the so-called Hamiltonian operator. As applications, we now present the analogues of Hamiltonian operators.

Proposition 4.1. *Let $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then H_X is left Weyl for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$ if and only if A is left Fredholm.*

Proof. Let H_X be left Weyl for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$. By Theorem 3.1, A is left Fredholm. Conversely, if A is left Fredholm, then $\mathcal{R}(-A^*|_{\mathcal{R}(A)}) = \mathcal{R}(A^*)$ is closed and $\text{ind}(-A^*|_{\mathcal{R}(A)}) = -n(A)$. By Theorem 3.1, H_X is left Weyl for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$. \square

Proposition 4.2. *Let $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then H_X is left Weyl for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) \cap \text{Inv}(\mathcal{H})$ if and only if A is left Fredholm.*

Proof. From Theorem 3.4 and Proposition 4.1, the desired result follows right away. \square

Similarly, we get the following conclusions.

Proposition 4.3. *Let $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then H_X is right Weyl for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})$ if and only if A is left Fredholm.*

Proposition 4.4. *Let $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then H_X is right Weyl for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) \cap \text{Inv}(\mathcal{H})$ if and only if A is left Fredholm.*

Proposition 4.5. *Let $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{lw}(H_X) &= \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) \cap \text{Inv}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{lw}(H_X) \\ &= \sigma_{le}(A) \cup \{ \lambda \in \rho_{le}(A) : (-A^* - \lambda)|_{\mathcal{R}(A-\lambda)} \text{ is not left Fredholm, } (-A^* - \lambda)|_{\mathcal{R}(A-\lambda)^\perp} \text{ is compact} \} \\ &\quad \cup \{ \lambda \in \rho_{le}(A) : (-A^* - \lambda)|_{\mathcal{R}(A-\lambda)} \text{ is left Fredholm, } (-A^* - \lambda)|_{\mathcal{R}(A-\lambda)^\perp} \text{ is compact,} \\ &\quad \text{ind}((-A^* - \lambda)|_{\mathcal{R}(A-\lambda)}) > -n(A - \lambda) \}, \\ \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{rw}(H_X) &= \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}) \cap \text{Inv}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{rw}(H_X) \\ &= \sigma_{re}(-A^*) \cup \{ \lambda \in \rho_{re}(-A^*) : (A^* - \bar{\lambda})|_{\mathcal{R}(-A-\bar{\lambda})} \text{ is not left Fredholm, } (A^* - \bar{\lambda})|_{\mathcal{R}(-A-\bar{\lambda})^\perp} \text{ is compact} \} \\ &\quad \cup \{ \lambda \in \rho_{re}(-A^*) : (A^* - \bar{\lambda})|_{\mathcal{R}(-A-\bar{\lambda})} \text{ is left Fredholm, } (A^* - \bar{\lambda})|_{\mathcal{R}(-A-\bar{\lambda})^\perp} \text{ is compact,} \\ &\quad \text{ind}((A^* - \bar{\lambda})|_{\mathcal{R}(-A-\bar{\lambda})}) > -n(-A - \bar{\lambda}) \}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Note that $\sigma_{re}(-A^*) = \{ \lambda \in \mathbb{C} : -\bar{\lambda} \in \sigma_{le}(A) \}$ and $n(-A^* - \lambda) = d(A + \bar{\lambda})$. By Corollary 3.6, we directly obtain the result. \square

Remark 4.6. Unlike the general operator matrix case, $\bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{lw}(H_X)$ and $\bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{rw}(H_X)$ can not be derived from Propositions 4.1 and 4.3, respectively.

We conclude this section with two illustrating examples of the previous results.

Example 4.7. *Let $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{K} = \ell^2$, and let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\ell^2)$ be defined by*

$$\begin{aligned} Ax &= (0, x_3, 0, x_4, 0, x_5, \dots), \\ Bx &= (0, x_1, \frac{x_2}{2}, x_5, \frac{x_6}{6}, x_9, \frac{x_{10}}{10}, \dots) \end{aligned}$$

for $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) \in \ell^2$. Then we claim that $M_X = \begin{bmatrix} A & X \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix}$ is left Weyl for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\ell^2)$.

It is easy to see that A is left Fredholm and $B|_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp}$ is non-compact. By Theorem 3.1, we obtain that $M_X = \begin{bmatrix} A & X \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix}$ is left Weyl for some $X \in \mathcal{S}(\ell^2)$. In fact, define the self-adjoint operator

$$Xx = (x_1 + x_2, x_1, x_3, x_5, x_5 + x_4, x_9, x_7, x_{13}, x_9 + x_6, x_{17}, x_{11}, x_{21}, x_{13} + x_8, \dots)$$

for $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) \in \ell^2$. Then we can check that M_X is closed, $n(M_X) = 2$, $d(M_X) = \infty$, and hence M_X is a left Weyl operator.

Example 4.8. Let $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{K} = \ell^2$, and let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\ell^2)$ be defined by

$$\begin{aligned} Ax &= (0, x_2, 0, x_3, 0, x_4, \dots), \\ Bx &= (x_1, x_4, \frac{x_3}{3} + x_6, x_8, \frac{x_5}{5} + x_{10}, x_{12}, \frac{x_7}{7} + x_{14}, \dots) \end{aligned}$$

for $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) \in \ell^2$.

Clearly, A is left Fredholm and $B|_{\mathcal{R}(A)^\perp}$ is compact. Direct calculations show that $B|_{\mathcal{R}(A)}$ is left Fredholm and $\text{ind}(B|_{\mathcal{R}(A)}) = 0 > -1 = -n(A)$. By Corollary 3.6,

$$0 \in \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{lw}(M_X).$$

Note that $d(A) = \infty$, it follows from Lemma 2.3 that

$$0 \notin \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{lw}(M_X).$$

Indeed, if we take the operator by

$$X_0x = (x_1, 0, x_2, 0, x_3, 0, \dots)$$

for $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots) \in \ell^2$. Then, we immediately see that $0 \notin \sigma_{lw}(M_{X_0})$, and hence

$$0 \notin \bigcap_{X \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})} \sigma_{lw}(M_X).$$

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