## ON BACKWARD ALUTHGE ITERATES OF COMPLEX SYMMETRIC OPERATORS

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Abstract. For a nonnegative integer k, an operator  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  is called a *backward Aluthge* iterate of a complex symmetric operator of order k if the kth Aluthge iterate  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}$  of T is a complex symmetric operator, denoted by  $T \in BAIC(k)$ . In this paper, we study several properties of the backward Aluthge iterate of a complex symmetric operator. We show that every nilpotent operator of order k + 2 belongs to BAIC(k). Moreover, we prove that if T belongs to BAIC(k), then T has the property ( $\beta$ ) if and only if T is decomposable. Finally, we show that, under some conditions, operators in BAIC(k) have nontrivial hyperinvariant subspaces and we consider Weyl type theorems for such operators.

## 1. Introduction and preliminaries

Let  $\mathscr{H}$  be a separable complex Hilbert space and let  $\mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  denote the algebra of all bounded linear operators on  $\mathscr{H}$ . An operator  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  is said to be a *phyponormal* operator if  $(T^*T)^p \ge (TT^*)^p$ , where 0 . If <math>p = 1, *T* is called *hyponormal* and if  $p = \frac{1}{2}$ , *T* is called *semi-hyponormal*. ([3]) It is well known that

hyponormal  $\Rightarrow$  *p*-hyponormal (0 < *p* < 1).

An operator  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  has the unique polar decomposition T = U|T|, where  $|T| = (T^*T)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  and U is the appropriate partial isometry satisfying ker(U) = ker(|T|) = ker(T) and  $ker(U^*) = ker(T^*)$ . We call the Aluthge transform of  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  given by  $|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}$  ([15]). For an arbitrary  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$ , the sequence  $\{\widetilde{T}^{(n)}\}$  of the Aluthge iterates of T is defined by  $\widetilde{T}^{(0)} = T$  and  $\widetilde{T}^{(n)} = \widetilde{\widetilde{T}^{(n-1)}}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  where  $\mathbb{N}$  denotes the set of positive integers. A. Aluthge [3] showed that if T is p-hyponormal with

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 $0 , then <math>\widetilde{T}^{(2)}$  is hyponormal. In [17], I.B. Jung, E. Ko, and C. Pearcy proved that if *T* is a quasiaffinity, then Lat(*T*) is nontrivial if and only if Lat( $\widetilde{T}$ ) is nontrivial, and the same it true of the hyperinvariant subspace lattices HLat(*T*) and HLat( $\widetilde{T}$ ).

A conjugation C on  $\mathcal{H}$  is an antilinear operator  $C : \mathcal{H} \to \mathcal{H}$  which satisfies  $\langle Cx, Cy \rangle = \langle y, x \rangle$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $C^2 = I$ . An operator  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$  is said to be complex symmetric if there exists a conjugation C on  $\mathcal{H}$  such that  $T = CT^*C$ . In this case, we say that T is a complex symmetric operator with a conjugation C. Complex symmetric operators can be considered as a generalization of complex symmetric matrices; in fact, if  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$  and if C is a given conjugation on  $\mathcal{H}$ , then the operator  $CT^*C$  comes to be the transpose of the matrix for T with respect to an orthonormal basis which is fixed by C (see [13]). In 2006, S.R. Garcia and M. Putinar provide a lot of useful properties of complex symmetric operators [13]–[14]. There are many authors studying complex symmetric operators (see [10]–[14], [27], and [28], etc.).

In 2000, I. B. Jung, E. Ko and C. Pearcy [15] firstly considered the backward Aluthge iterate of a hyponormal operator. In 2007, Ko [24] proved that the backward Aluthge iterates of a hyponormal operator have scalar extensions. In 2015, Ko and Lee [25] examined various properties of the backward Aluthge iterates of a hyponormal operator. In view of these results, we also study the backward Aluthge iterate of a complex symmetric operator.

DEFINITION 1. For a nonnegative integer k, an operator  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  is called a *backward Aluthge iterate of a complex symmetric operator of order k* if  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}$  is a complex symmetric operator.

We denote by BAIC(k) the class of all backward Aluthge iterate of a complex symmetric operator of order k. In particular, BAIC(0) is the set of complex symmetric operators which contains  $2 \times 2$  matrices, normal operators, nilpotent operator of order 2, algebraic operators of order 2, Aluthge transform of complex symmetric operators, Hankel operators, truncated Toeplitz operators, and Volterra integration operators (see [10], [12] and [22]). In general, even if  $T \in BAIC(1)$ , then T may not be complex symmetric (see Example 1). In addition, it is clear that BAIC(1) contains complex symmetric operators.

We next state some elementary properties for BAIC(k) without proof.

PROPOSITION 1. Let  $T \in BAIC(k)$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then the following statements hold.

(i)  $\lambda T \in BAIC(k)$  for any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ .

(ii)  $U^*TU \in BAIC(k)$  where U is unitary.

(iii) If T is invertible, then  $T^{-1} \in BAIC(k)$ .

An operator  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  is said to have the *single-valued extension property*, abbreviated SVEP, if for every open subset G of  $\mathbb{C}$  and any analytic function  $f: G \to \mathscr{H}$  such that  $(T-z)f(z) \equiv 0$  on G, we have  $f(z) \equiv 0$  on G. For an operator  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  and  $x \in \mathscr{H}$ , the *resolvent set*  $\rho_T(x)$  of T at x is defined to consist of  $z_0$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  such that there exists an analytic function f(z) on a neighborhood of  $z_0$ , with values in  $\mathscr{H}$ , which verifies  $(T - z)f(z) \equiv x$ . The *local spectrum* of T at x is given by  $\sigma_T(x) = \mathbb{C} \setminus \rho_T(x)$ . Using this local spectra, we define the *local spectral subspace* of T by  $\mathscr{H}_T(F) = \{x \in \mathscr{H} : \sigma_T(x) \subset F\}$ , where F is a subset of  $\mathbb{C}$ . An operator  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  is said to have *Dunford's property* (C) if  $\mathscr{H}_T(F)$  is closed for each closed subset F of  $\mathbb{C}$ . An operator  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  is said to have *Dunford's property* (C) if  $\mathscr{H}_T(F)$  is closed for each closed subset F of  $\mathbb{C}$ . An operator  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  is said to have *Bishop's property* ( $\beta$ ) if for every open subset G of  $\mathbb{C}$  and every sequence  $f_n : G \to \mathscr{H}$  of  $\mathscr{H}$ -valued analytic functions such that  $(T - z)f_n(z)$  converges uniformly to 0 in norm on compact subsets of G. It is well known from [26] that

Bishop's property ( $\beta$ )  $\Rightarrow$  Dunford's property (C)  $\Rightarrow$  SVEP.

An operator  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  is said to be *decomposable* if for every open cover  $\{U, V\}$  of  $\mathbb{C}$  there are *T*-invariant subspaces  $\mathscr{M}$  and  $\mathscr{N}$  such that  $\mathscr{H} = \mathscr{M} + \mathscr{N}$ ,  $\sigma(T|_{\mathscr{M}}) \subset U$ , and  $\sigma(T|_{\mathscr{N}}) \subset V$ . In [26], it is shown that both *T* and *T*<sup>\*</sup> have the property ( $\beta$ ) if and only if *T* is decomposable. For an operator  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$ , we define *a spectral maximal space* of *T* to be a closed *T*-invariant subspace  $\mathscr{M}$  of  $\mathscr{H}$  with the property that  $\mathscr{M}$  contains any closed *T*-invariant subspace  $\mathscr{N}$  of  $\mathscr{H}$  such that  $\sigma(T|_{\mathscr{N}}) \subset \sigma(T|_{\mathscr{M}})$ , where  $T|_{\mathscr{M}}$  denotes the restriction of *T* to  $\mathscr{M}$ .

In this paper, we focus on several properties of the backward Aluthge iterate of a complex symmetric operator. We prove that every nilpotent operator of order k+2 belongs to BAIC(k). Moreover, we prove that if T belongs to BAIC(k), then T has the property ( $\beta$ ) if and only if T is decomposable. Finally, we show that, under some conditions, operators in BAIC(k) have nontrivial hyperinvariant subspaces and we consider Weyl type theorems for such operators.

## 2. Main results

In this section, we study several properties of the backward Aluthge iterates of a complex symmetric operator of order k. It is known from [10] that if T is a complex symmetric operator, then  $\tilde{T}$  is also a complex symmetric operator. However, its converse does not hold. The following example shows that T is not complex symmetric, but  $\tilde{T}$  is complex symmetric.

EXAMPLE 1. Let  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathbb{C}^3)$  be defined as

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then  $\widetilde{T} = |T|^{\frac{1}{2}} U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{15} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and hence  $\widetilde{T}$  is complex symmetric since  $\widetilde{T}$  is

nilpotent of order 2. But, T is not complex symmetric from [12, Example 1, p 6068]. Hence  $T \in BAIC(1)$ . In general, if *T* is nilpotent operator of order 2, then it is complex symmetric from [10]. But, if *T* is nilpotent operator of order k > 2, then *T* is not complex symmetric. Note that some Volterra integral operator is complex symmetric and it belongs to BAIC(0), but it is not nilpotent. So, the second statement of Theorem 1 is a bit trivial for n = 0. In the following theorem, we prove that every nilpotent operator of order n + 2 belongs to BAIC(n).

THEOREM 1. Let *n* be a nonnegative integer. Every bounded linear nilpotent operator of order n+2 belongs to BAIC(n). Moreover, the class of all nilpotent operators of order n+2 forms a proper subclass of BAIC(n).

*Proof.* If  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  is a nilpotent operator of order n+2, then  $\widetilde{T}$  is a nilpotent operator of order n+1 and then  $\widetilde{T}^{(2)}$  is a nilpotent operator of order n by [16, Proposition 4.6]. By repeated applications of [16],  $\widetilde{T}^{(n)}$  is a nilpotent operator of order 2. Therefore  $\widetilde{T}^{(n)}$  is complex symmetric by [12, Corollary 5]. Thus T belongs to BAIC(n) (cf. [6]).

On the other hand, let

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \oplus I_n$$

where  $I_n$  is the identity matrix. Then T is not a nilpotent operator. Since

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \oplus I_n \text{ and } |T| = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \oplus I_n,$$

it follows that

$$\widetilde{T} = |T|^{\frac{1}{2}} U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{2}\\ 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \oplus I_n.$$

Then  $\widetilde{T}$  is complex symmetric since it is normal. Thus  $T \in BAIC(1)$  and hence  $T \in BAIC(n)$ . Hence there exists a nonnilpotent operator T in BAIC(n).  $\Box$ 

COROLLARY 1. If N is a nilpotent operator of order n+2 and S is a complex symmetric operator, then  $N \oplus S \in BAIC(n)$ .

*Proof.* Since  $N \in BAIC(n)$  by Theorem 1 and *S* is a complex symmetric operator, we have  $\widetilde{N \oplus S}^{(n)} = \widetilde{N}^{(n)} \oplus \widetilde{S}^{(n)}$ . Moreover, since  $\widetilde{N}^{(n)}$  and  $\widetilde{S}^{(n)}$  are complex symmetric operators,  $\widetilde{N \oplus S}^{(n)}$  is a complex symmetric operator. Hence we have  $N \oplus S \in BAIC(n)$ .  $\Box$ 

EXAMPLE 2. Let

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then T is nilpotent of order 4. By Theorem 1, we know that  $T \in BAIC(2)$  which is not complex symmetric.

EXAMPLE 3. Let

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \ a \ b \ c \\ 0 \ 0 \ d \ e \\ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ f \\ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where |a| = |f| and |b| = |e|. Then *T* is nilpotent of order 4. By Theorem 1, we know that  $T \in BAIC(2)$ . Moreover, since *T* is unitarily equivalent to a complex symmetric operator by [11, Theorem 2], it follows that *T* is a complex symmetric operator by Proposition 1.

LEMMA 1. Let T = U|T| be the polar decomposition of  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$ . If U is unitary, then  $(\widetilde{T})^*$  and  $\widetilde{T^*}$  are unitarily equivalent.

*Proof.* Since  $TT^* = U|T|^2U^*$ , it follows that  $|T^*| = U|T|U^*$ . If  $T^* = V|T^*|$  is the polar decomposition of  $T^*$ , then  $V = U^*$  and  $|T^*| = U|T|U^*$ . Hence we have

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{T^*} &= |T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}}V|T^*|^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*U^*U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^* \\ &= U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^*|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U^* \\ &= U(\widetilde{T})^*U^*. \end{split}$$

Thus  $(\widetilde{T})^*$  and  $\widetilde{T^*}$  are unitarily equivalent.  $\Box$ 

Recall that an operator  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  is a *quasiaffinity* if it has trivial kernel and dense range. We now investigate the decomposability of an operator T which belongs to BAIC(k).

THEOREM 2. Let  $T \in BAIC(k)$ . If T is a quasiaffinity, then the following statements are equivalent.

(i) T has the property  $(\beta)$ .

(ii) T is decomposable.

(iii)  $T^*$  is decomposable.

*Proof.* Since (ii)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iii) and (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) are well-known from [26], it suffices to show that (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii). Assume that T has the property ( $\beta$ ). Then  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}$  has the property ( $\beta$ )

by [23, Theorem 1.14]. Since  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}$  is complex symmetric, it follows from [22, Theorem 2.1] that  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}$  is decomposable. Hence  $(\widetilde{T}^{(k)})^*$  has the property ( $\beta$ ). Since T is a quasiaffinity,  $\widetilde{T}$  is a quasiaffinity. By induction,  $\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)}$  is a quasiaffinity. Let  $\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)} = V |\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)}|$  be the polar decomposition of  $\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)}$ . Since  $\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)}$  is a quasiaffinity, it follows that V is unitary. By Lemma 1, we have

$$(\widetilde{T}^{(k)})^* = \left(\widetilde{\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)}}\right)^* = V(\widetilde{\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)}})^* V^*.$$

Hence  $(\tilde{T}^{(k-1)})^*$  has the property  $(\beta)$ . Thus  $(\tilde{T}^{(k-1)})^*$  has the property  $(\beta)$  by [23]. So,  $\tilde{T}^{(k-1)}$  is decomposable since  $\tilde{T}^{(k-1)}$  has the property  $(\beta)$ . By repeated applications, we know that  $T^*$  has the property  $(\beta)$ . Hence T is decomposable.  $\Box$ 

COROLLARY 2. Let  $T \in BAIC(k)$  where T is a quasiaffinity. Then the following statements hold.

(i) If T has the single-valued extension property, then  $T^*$  has.

(ii) If T has the Dunford's property (C), then  $T^*$  has.

(iii) If T has the property  $(\beta)$ , then for all closed  $F \subset \sigma(T)$ ,  $H_T(F)$  is a spectral maximal space of T and  $\sigma(T|_{H_T(F)}) \subset F$ .

*Proof.* (i) Let T have the single-valued extension property. Since  $\tilde{T}^{(k)}$  is complex symmetric and  $\tilde{T}^{(k)}$  has the single-valued extension property by [23, Theorem 1.1], it follows from [19, Lemma 3.5] that  $(\tilde{T}^{(k)})^*$  has the single-valued extension property. By the similar method as in the proof of Theorem 2,  $T^*$  has the single-valued extension property.

(ii) Let T have the Dunford's property (C). Since  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}$  is complex symmetric and  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}$  has the Dunford's property (C) by [23, Theorem 1.12], it follows from [22, Theorem 3.2] that  $(\widetilde{T}^{(k)})^*$  has the Dunford's property (C). By the similar method as in the proof of Theorem 2,  $T^*$  has the Dunford's property (C).

(iii) Since T is decomposable by Theorem 2, the proof follows from [8, Proposition 3.8].  $\Box$ 

PROPOSITION 2. Assume that  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  has the single-valued extension property. Let  $T \in BAIC(k)$  with a conjugation C and let  $\tilde{T}^{(j)} = U_j |\tilde{T}^{(j)}|$  be the polar decomposition of  $\tilde{T}^{(j)}$  for  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, k$  where  $\tilde{T}^{(0)} = T$ . Then the following statements hold.

*Proof.* (i) Let  $\tilde{T}^{(j)} = U_j |\tilde{T}^{(j)}|$  be the polar decomposition of  $\tilde{T}^{(j)}$  for  $j = 0, 1, \dots, k-1$ . Assume that  $T \in BAIC(k)$ . Since  $\tilde{T}^{(k)}$  is complex symmetric, it follows from [22, Lemma 3.1] that

$$\sigma_{\widetilde{T}^{(k)}}(Cx)^* \subset \sigma_{\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}}(x). \tag{1}$$

Since  $T \in BAIC(k)$ , by [23, Corollary 1.2]

$$\sigma_T((\prod_{i=0}^{k-1}U_i|T_i|^{\frac{1}{2}})Cx)^* \subset \sigma_{\widetilde{T}}((\prod_{i=1}^{k-1}U_i|T_i|^{\frac{1}{2}})Cx)^* \subset \cdots \subset \sigma_{\widetilde{T}^{(k)}}(Cx)^*.$$
(2)

Hence by (1) and (2), we have

$$\sigma_T((\prod_{i=0}^{k-1} U_i |T_i|^{\frac{1}{2}}) Cx) \subset \sigma_{\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}}(x).$$
(3)

(ii) If  $x \in \mathscr{H}_{\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}}(F)$  for any subset  $F \subset \mathbb{C}$ , then  $\sigma_{\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}}(x) \subset F$  and so

$$\sigma_T(\prod_{i=0}^{k-1} U_i |T_i|^{\frac{1}{2}} Cx) \subset F$$

from the inclusion (3). This means that  $\prod_{i=0}^{k-1} U_i |T_i|^{\frac{1}{2}} Cx \in \mathscr{H}_T(F)$  holds. Hence

$$(\Pi_{i=0}^{k-1}U_i|T_i|^{\frac{1}{2}}C)\mathscr{H}_{\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}}(F)\subset\mathscr{H}_T(F)$$

for any subset  $F \subset \mathbb{C}$ .  $\Box$ 

For  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$ , the *algebraic core* Alg(T) is defined as the greatest (not necessarily closed) subspace  $\mathscr{M}$  of  $\mathscr{H}$  satisfying  $T\mathscr{M} = \mathscr{M}$ . The *analytical core* of T is the set Anal(T) of all  $x \in \mathscr{H}$  such that there exists a sequence  $\{u_n\} \subset \mathscr{H}$  and a constant  $\delta > 0$  such that  $x = u_0$ ,  $Tu_{n+1} = u_n$ , and  $||u_n|| \leq \delta^n ||x||$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

PROPOSITION 3. Let  $T \in BAIC(k)$  be with a conjugation C. Suppose that  $\widetilde{T}^{(j)} = U_j |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|$  is the polar decomposition of  $\widetilde{T}^{(j)}$  for  $j = 0, 1, \dots, k$ . Then the following statements hold.

(i) 
$$\begin{cases} Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}) = C(\prod_{j=k-1}^{0} |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}}) Alg(T) \text{ and} \\ Alg(T) = (\prod_{j=k-1}^{0} U_j |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}}) CAlg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}). \\ \end{cases}$$
(ii) 
$$\begin{cases} Anal(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}) = C(\prod_{j=k-1}^{0} |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}}) Anal(T) \text{ and} \\ Anal(T) = (\prod_{j=k-1}^{0} U_j |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}}) CAnal(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}) \text{ if } T \text{ is invertible.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Assume  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}$  is a complex symmetric operator with a conjugation *C*. (i) Since  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) = Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)})$ , we get that

$$C\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}CAlg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) = Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}).$$

Hence  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)*}CAlg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) = CAlg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)})$ . Thus  $CAlg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) \subseteq Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)*})$ . On the other hand, since  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)*}Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)*}) = Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)*})$ ,

$$C\widetilde{T}^{(k)}CAlg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}) = Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*})$$

Hence  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}CAlg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}) = CAlg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*})$ . Therefore  $CAlg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}) \subseteq Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)})$  and thus

$$Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}) \subseteq CAlg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}).$$

So we have  $CAlg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) = Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*})$ . Since  $Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) = (\prod_{j=k-1}^0 |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}})Alg(T)$  by [25, Proposition 2], we get that

$$Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}) = C(\prod_{j=k-1}^{0} |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}})Alg(T).$$

Since  $CAlg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) \subseteq Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*})$  and  $Alg(T) = (\prod_{j=0}^{k-1} U_j |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}}) Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)})$  by [25, Proposition 2], it follows that

$$Alg(T) = (\prod_{j=0}^{k-1} U_j |\tilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}}) CAlg(\tilde{T}^{(k)^*}).$$

(ii) Let  $x \in Anal(\widetilde{T}^{(k)})$ . Then there exists a sequence  $\{u_n\} \subset \mathscr{H}$  and a constant  $\delta > 0$  such that  $x = u_0$ ,  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}u_{n+1} = u_n$ , and  $||u_n|| \leq \delta^n ||x||$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}Cx = \widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}Cu_0$ ,  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}Cu_{n+1} = C\widetilde{T}^{(k)}u_{n+1} = Cu_n$  and

$$||Cu_n|| \leq ||C|| ||u_n|| \leq \delta^n ||x|| = \delta^n ||Cx||$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , it holds that  $CAnal(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) \subseteq Anal(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*})$ .

On the other hand, let  $y \in Anal(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*})$ . Then there exists a sequence  $\{v_n\} \subset \mathscr{H}$ and a constant  $\delta > 0$  such that  $y = v_0$ ,  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}v_{n+1} = v_n$ , and  $||v_n|| \leq \delta^n ||y||$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}Cy = \widetilde{T}^{(k)}Cv_0$ ,  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}Cv_{n+1} = C\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}v_{n+1} = Cv_n$  and

$$||Cv_n|| \leq ||C|| ||v_n|| \leq \delta^n ||y|| = \delta^n ||Cy||$$

for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , it holds that  $CAnal(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}) \subseteq Anal(\widetilde{T}^{(k)})$ . Thus  $CAnal(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) = Anal(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*})$ . Since  $Anal(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) = (\prod_{j=k-1}^0 |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}})Anal(T)$  by [25, Proposition 2],

$$Anal(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}) = C(\prod_{j=k-1}^0 |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}})Anal(T).$$

Since  $CAlg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) \subseteq Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*})$  and  $Anal(T) = (\prod_{j=0}^{k-1} U_j |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}}) Anal(\widetilde{T}^{(k)})$  by [25, Proposition 2], we obtain that

Anal(T) = 
$$(\prod_{j=0}^{k-1} U_j | \widetilde{T}^{(j)} |^{\frac{1}{2}}) CAnal(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}).$$

So we complete the proof.  $\Box$ 

COROLLARY 3. If  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  is invertible, then

$$Alg(T^*) = (\prod_{j=k-1}^{0} |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} U_{j+1}) C(\prod_{j=0}^{k-1} |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}}) Alg(T)$$

and

$$Anal(T^*) = (\prod_{j=k-1}^{0} |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} U_{j+1}) C(\prod_{j=0}^{k-1} |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}}) Anal(T)$$

where  $\widetilde{T}^{(j)} = U_j |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|$  is the polar decomposition of  $\widetilde{T}^{(j)}$  for  $j = 0, 1, \dots, k$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma 1, we can put  $\widetilde{\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)*}} = U_k \widetilde{T}^{(k)*} U_k^*$  for some  $k \ge 1$ . Then  $U_k^* Alg(\widetilde{\widetilde{T}}^{(k-1)*}) = Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)*})$ . Thus we get that

$$\begin{aligned} Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k)*}) &= U_k^* Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)*}) \\ &= U_k^* |\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)*}|^{\frac{1}{2}} Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)*}) \\ &= U_k^* |\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)*}|^{\frac{1}{2}} U_{k-1}^* |\widetilde{T}^{(k-2)*}|^{\frac{1}{2}} Alg(\widetilde{T}^{(k-2)*}) \\ &\vdots \\ &= \prod_{j=k-1}^0 U_{j+1}^* |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}} Alg(T^*). \end{aligned}$$

Since T is invertible, it follows from Proposition 3 that

$$Alg(T^*) = (\prod_{j=k-1}^{0} |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} U_{j+1}) C(\prod_{j=0}^{k-1} |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}}) Alg(T)$$

where  $\widetilde{T}^{(j)} = U_j |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|$  is the polar decomposition of  $\widetilde{T}^{(j)}$  for  $j = 0, 1, \dots, k$ .

For the proof of the second equation, let  $\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)*} = U_k \widetilde{T}^{(k)*} U_k^*$  for some  $k \ge 1$ . If  $x \in Anal(\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)*})$ , then  $x = u_0$ ,  $\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)*} u_{n+1} = u_n$ , and  $||u_n|| \le \delta^n ||x||$ . Since  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)*} U_k^* x = \widetilde{T}^{(k)*} U_k^* u_0$ ,  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)*} U_k^* u_{n+1} = U_k^* \widetilde{T}^{(k-1)*} u_{n+1} = U_k^* u_n$ , and  $||U_k^* u_n|| \le ||U_k^*|| ||u_n|| \le \delta^n ||x||$ 

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , it holds that  $U_k^*Anal(\widetilde{\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)^*}}) \subseteq Anal(\widetilde{\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*}})$ . Similarly, we obtain the reverse inclusion. Hence  $U_k^*Anal(\widetilde{\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)^*}}) = Anal(\widetilde{T}^{(k)^*})$ . From this, we get that

$$Anal(\widetilde{T}^{(k)*}) = U_k^* Anal(\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)*})$$
  
=  $U_k^* |\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)*}|^{\frac{1}{2}} Anal(\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)*})$   
=  $U_k^* |\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)*}|^{\frac{1}{2}} U_{k-1}^* |\widetilde{T}^{(k-2)*}|^{\frac{1}{2}} Anal(\widetilde{T}^{(k-2)*})$   
:  
=  $\prod_{j=k-1}^{0} U_{j+1}^* |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}} Anal(T^*).$ 

By Proposition 3, we get that

$$Anal(T^*) = (\prod_{j=k-1}^{0} |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} U_{j+1}) C(\prod_{j=0}^{k-1} |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}}) Anal(T)$$

where  $\widetilde{T}^{(j)} = U_j |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|$  is the polar decomposition of  $\widetilde{T}^{(j)}$  for  $j = 0, 1, \dots, k$ .  $\Box$ 

Recall that an operator T in  $\mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  will be said to have *the property* (PS) if there exist sequences  $\{S_n\} \subset \{T\}'$  and  $\{K_n\} \subset \mathscr{H}(\mathscr{H})$  such that  $||S_n - K_n|| \to 0$  and  $\{K_n\}$  is a nontrivial sequence of compact operators. For  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$ , we write T' for the commutant of T, that is, for the algebra of all  $S \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  such that TS = ST. A subspace  $\mathscr{M} \subset \mathscr{H}$  is *invariant* for  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  if  $T\mathscr{M} \subset \mathscr{M}$ , and a subspace  $\mathscr{M}$  is *hyperinvariant* for T if it is an invariant subspace for all  $S \in \{T\}'$ . We next examine a nontrivial hyperinvariant subspace of  $T \in BAIC(k)$ .

THEOREM 3. Let  $T \in BAIC(k)$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and let  $T \neq 0$ ,  $\lambda I$  for any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ . Suppose  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}$  has the property (PS). Then T has a nontrivial hyperinvariant subspace.

*Proof.* Let T = U|T| be the polar decomposition of  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$ . If T is not a quasiaffinity, then  $0 \in \sigma_p(T) \cup \sigma_p(T^*)$  where  $\sigma_p(T)$  denotes the point spectrum of T. Hence T has a nontrivial hyperinvariant subspace. Assume that T is a quasiaffinity. Then |T| is a quasiaffinity and U is unitary. Thus  $\widetilde{T}$  is a quasiaffinity. Hence  $\widetilde{T}^{(j)}$  is a quasiaffinity for  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, k-1$  by the induction. Since  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}$  has the property (PS), there exists a sequence  $\{Q_n\} \subset \{\widetilde{T}^{(k)}\}'$  and  $\{H_n\}$  such that  $\|Q_n - H_n\| \to 0$  and  $\{H_n\}$  is a nontrivial sequence of compact operators. Let  $\widetilde{T}^{(j)} = U_j |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|$  be the polar decomposition of  $\widetilde{T}^{(j)}$  for  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, k-1$ . Put

$$S_n := \mathbf{A}Q_n \mathbf{B}$$
 and  $K_n := \mathbf{A}H_n \mathbf{B}$ 

where  $\mathbf{A} = \prod_{j=0}^{k-1} U_j |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}}$  and  $\mathbf{B} = \prod_{j=k-1}^0 |\widetilde{T}^{(j)}|^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . Since  $\widetilde{T}^{(j)}$  is a quasiaffinity,  $\{K_n\}$  is a nontrivial sequence of compact operators. Then

$$S_nT = AQ_nBT = AQ_n\widetilde{T}^{(k)}B = A\widetilde{T}^{(k)}Q_nB = TAQ_nB = TS_n.$$

Since

$$||S_n - K_n|| \leq ||\mathbf{A}|| ||Q_n - H_n|| ||\mathbf{B}|| \to 0$$
, as  $n \to 0$ ,

we obtain that T has the property (*PS*). Hence T has a nontrivial hyperinvariant subspace from [2].  $\Box$ 

COROLLARY 4. Let  $T \in BAIC(k)$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and let  $T \neq 0, \lambda I$  for any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ . Suppose that  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}$  has the property (PS) and T is a quasiaffinity. Then both T and  $T^*$  have the property (PS) and hence both T and  $T^*$  have the property (PS).

*Proof.* Since  $\tilde{T}^{(k)}$  has the property (PS) and complex symmetric, it follows from [21] that  $(\tilde{T}^{(k)})^*$  has the property (PS). By similar methods, we know that  $T^*$  has a nontrivial hyperinvariant subspace. In this case, both T and  $T^*$  have the property (PS).  $\Box$ 

PROPOSITION 4. Let  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  be *p*-hyponormal for  $0 . If <math>T \in BAIC(2)$ , then *T* is normal and hence Lat (T) is nontrivial.

*Proof.* If T is p-hyponormal and  $T \in BAIC(2)$ , then  $\widetilde{T}^{(2)}$  is hyponormal and complex symmetric. Hence  $\widetilde{T}^{(2)}$  is normal. By [9, Corollary 2],  $\widetilde{T}$  is normal and hence T is normal. Thus Lat (T) is nontrivial.  $\Box$ 

If  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  and  $x \in \mathscr{H}$ , then  $\{T^n x\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is called *the orbit of x under T*, and is denoted by O(x,T). If O(x,T) is dense in  $\mathscr{H}$ , then x is called *a hypercyclic vector* for *T*. An operator  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  is called *hypercyclic* if there is a nonzero hypercyclic vector  $x \in \mathscr{H}$  for *T*, and *T* is said to be *hypertransitive* if every nonzero vector in  $\mathscr{H}$  is hypercyclic for *T*. Denote the set of all nonhypertransitive operators in  $x \in \mathscr{H}$  by (NHT). The hypertransitive operator problem is the open question whether  $(NHT) = \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$ .

PROPOSITION 5. Let  $T \in BAIC(k)$  and be invertible. Then the following properties hold.

(i) *T* is hypercyclic if and only if *T*<sup>\*</sup> is hypercyclic.
(ii) *T<sup>n</sup>* ∈ (*NHT*) if and only if (*T*<sup>\*</sup>)<sup>n</sup> ∈ (*NHT*).

*Proof.* Let T = U|T| be the polar decomposition of  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$ .

(i) Suppose that T is hypercyclic. Since  $|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}T = \widetilde{T}|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , there is a hypercyclic vector  $x \in \mathscr{H}$  such that

$$\mathcal{O}(|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}x,\widetilde{T}) = |T|^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathscr{H}.$$

Since T is invertible, it follows that

$$|T|^{-\frac{1}{2}}\overline{\mathscr{O}(|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}x,\widetilde{T})} = \mathscr{H}.$$

Thus  $\widetilde{T}$  is hypercyclic. By the induction,  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}$  is hypercyclic. Since  $T \in BAIC(k)$ ,  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}$  is complex symmetric. From [[22], Lemma 3.8],  $(\widetilde{T}^{(k)})^*$  is hypercyclic. By the similar method as the above,  $T^*$  is hypercyclic.

(ii) Suppose that  $T \in (NHT)$ . By (i), T is hypercyclic if and only if  $T^*$  is hypercyclic. Since  $|T|^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathscr{H} = \mathscr{H}$  for invertible T, we have  $T^* \in (NHT)$ . It is known from [17, Theorem 1.7] that  $T \in (NHT)$  if and only if  $T^m \in (NHT)$  for  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Hence  $T^n \in (NHT)$  if and only if  $(T^*)^n \in (NHT)$ .  $\Box$ 

Finally, we concern Weyl type theorems for operators belong to BAIC(k). We state the definitions of some spectra;

$$\sigma_{ea}(T) := \cap \{\sigma_a(T+K) : K \in \mathscr{K}(\mathscr{H})\}$$

is the essential approximate point spectrum, and

$$\sigma_{ab}(T) := \cap \{\sigma_a(T+K) : TK = KT \text{ and } K \in \mathscr{K}(\mathscr{H})\}$$

is the Browder essential approximate point spectrum. We put

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

and

$$\pi_{00}^{a}(T) := \{ \lambda \in \text{iso } \sigma_{a}(T) : 0 < \dim \ker(T - \lambda) < \infty \}.$$

Let  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$ . We say that (i) *a*-Browder's theorem holds for T if  $\sigma_{ea}(T) = \sigma_{ab}(T)$ ; (ii) *a*-Weyl's theorem holds for T if  $\sigma_a(T) \setminus \sigma_{ea}(T) = \pi_{00}^a(T)$ ; (iii) T has the property (w) if  $\sigma_a(T) \setminus \sigma_{ea}(T) = \pi_{00}(T)$ . It is known that

Property 
$$(w) \Longrightarrow a$$
-Browder's theorem  
 $\downarrow \qquad \uparrow$   
Weyl's theorem  $\Leftarrow a$ -Weyl's theorem.

We refer the reader to [1] for more details.

Let  $T_n = T|_{ran(T^n)}$  for each nonnegative integer n; in particular,  $T_0 = T$ . If  $T_n$  is upper semi-Fredholm for some nonnegative integer n, then T is called a *upper semi-B-Fredholm* operator. In this case, by [5],  $T_m$  is a upper semi-Fredholm operator and  $ind(T_m) = ind(T_n)$  for each  $m \ge n$ . Therefore, one can consider the *index* of T, denoted by  $ind_B(T)$ , as the index of the semi-Fredholm operator  $T_n$ . Similarly, we define lower semi-B-Fredholm operators. We say that  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$  is *B-Fredholm* if it is both upper and lower semi-B-Fredholm. In [5], Berkani proved that  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$  is B-Fredholm if and only if  $T = T_1 \oplus T_2$  where  $T_1$  is Fredholm and  $T_2$  is nilpotent. Let  $SBF^-_+(\mathcal{H})$  be the class of all upper semi-*B*-Fredholm operators such that  $ind_B(T) \le 0$ , and let

$$\sigma_{SBF_{+}^{-}}(T) := \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : T - \lambda \notin SBF_{+}^{-}(\mathscr{H})\}.$$

An operator  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$  is called *B*-Weyl if it is B-Fredholm of index zero. The *B*-Weyl spectrum  $\sigma_{BW}(T)$  of *T* is defined by

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

We say that  $\lambda \in \sigma_a(T)$  is a *left pole* of T if it has finite ascent, i.e.,  $a(T) < \infty$  and  $\operatorname{ran}(T^{a(T)+1})$  is closed where  $a(T) = \dim \operatorname{ker}(T)$ . The notation  $p_0(T)$  (respectively,  $p_0^a(T)$ ) denotes the set of all poles (respectively, left poles) of T, while  $\pi_0(T)$  (respectively,  $\pi_0^a(T)$ ) is the set of all eigenvalues of T which is an isolated point in  $\sigma(T)$  (respectively,  $\sigma_a(T)$ ).

Let  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$ . We say that

(i) *T* satisfies generalized Browder's theorem if  $\sigma_{BW}(T) = \sigma(T) \setminus p_0(T)$ ;

(ii) *T* satisfies generalized *a*-Browder's theorem if  $\sigma_{SBF_{-}}(T) = \sigma_a(T) \setminus p_0^a(T)$ ;

(iii) *T* satisfies generalized Weyl's theorem if  $\sigma_{BW}(T) = \sigma(T) \setminus \pi_0(T)$ ;

(iv) T satisfies generalized a-Weyl's theorem if  $\sigma_{SBF_{-}}(T) = \sigma_a(T) \setminus \pi_0^a(T)$ .

It is known that

generalized *a*-Weyl's theorem  $\implies$  generalized Weyl's theorem

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generalized *a*-Browder's theorem  $\implies$  generalized Browder's theorem.

 $\Downarrow$ 

THEOREM 4. Let  $T \in BAIC(k)$ . If T is a quasiaffinity, then the following properties hold.

(i) If T satisfies Weyl's theorem, then  $T^*$  satisfies Weyl's theorem.

(ii) If T satisfies Browder's theorem, then  $T^*$  satisfies Browder's theorem.

*Proof.* (i) Suppose that T satisfies Weyl's theorem. Then  $\tilde{T}^{(k)}$  satisfies Weyl's theorem by [18, Theorem 1.21]. In this case, since  $\tilde{T}^{(k)}$  is complex symmetric,  $(\tilde{T}^{(k)})^*$  satisfies Weyl's theorem from [22, Theorem 4.4]. Since T is a quasiaffinity,  $\tilde{T}$  is a quasiaffinity. By induction,  $\tilde{T}^{(k-1)}$  is a quasiaffinity. Let  $\tilde{T}^{(k-1)} = V|\tilde{T}^{(k-1)}|$  be the polar decomposition of  $\tilde{T}^{(k-1)}$ . Since  $\tilde{T}^{(k-1)}$  is a quasiaffinity, V is unitary. By Lemma 1,

$$(\widetilde{T}^{(k)})^* = \left(\widetilde{\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)}}\right)^* = V(\widetilde{\widetilde{T}^{(k-1)}})^* V^*$$

Then  $(\tilde{T}^{(k-1)})^*$  satisfies Weyl's theorem. Hence  $(\tilde{T}^{(k-1)})^*$  satisfies Weyl's theorem by [18, Theorem 1.21]. By repeated applications,  $T^*$  satisfies Weyl's theorem.

(ii) Suppose that T satisfies Browder's theorem. Then  $\tilde{T}^{(n)}$  satisfies Browder's theorem by [18]. Moreover, since  $\tilde{T}^{(n)}$  is complex symmetric,  $(\tilde{T}^{(n)})^*$  satisfies Browder's theorem from [22, Theorem 4.4]. Hence  $T^*$  satisfies Browder's theorem by the similar proof with (i).  $\Box$ 

COROLLARY 5. Let  $T \in BAIC(k)$ . If T and  $T^*$  are quasiaffinities, then the following properties hold.

(i) If T satisfies Weyl's theorem if and only if  $T^*$  satisfies Weyl's theorem.

(ii) If T satisfies Browder's theorem if and only if  $T^*$  satisfies Browder's theorem.

*Proof.* The proof follows from Theorem 4.  $\Box$ 

As usual, we write  $\sigma(T)$ ,  $\sigma_a(T)$ ,  $\sigma_p(T)$  and  $\sigma_s(T)$  for the spectrum, the approximate point spectrum, the point spectrum, and the surjective spectrum of T, respectively.

LEMMA 2. Let  $T \in BAIC(k)$ . Then the following properties hold. (i)  $\sigma(T) = \sigma_a(T)$ . (ii)  $\sigma(T) = \sigma_a(T) = \sigma_s(T)$  if T has the single-valued extension property. (iii)  $\sigma_p(T^*) \setminus (0) = \sigma_p(T)^* \setminus (0)$ . (iv)  $\sigma_a(T^*) \setminus (0) = \sigma_a(T)^* \setminus (0)$ . (v)  $\sigma_{le}(T) = \sigma_e(T)$  and  $\sigma_{le}(T) \setminus (0) = \sigma_{re}(T) \setminus (0) = \sigma_e(T) \setminus (0)$ . (vi)  $\sigma_e(T) = \sigma_{ea}(T) = \sigma_w(T)$ .

*Proof.* (i) Since  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}$  is complex symmetric, it follows from Lemma 3.22 in [20] that  $\sigma(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) = \sigma_a(\widetilde{T}^{(k)})$ . Moreover, by Theorem 1.3 in [15], we have

$$\sigma(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) = \sigma(T)$$
 and  $\sigma_a(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) = \sigma_a(T)$ .

Hence we obtain that  $\sigma(T) = \sigma_a(T)$ .

(ii) Since  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}$  is complex symmetric, it follows from Lemma 3.22 in [20] that

$$\sigma(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) = \sigma_a(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) = \sigma_s(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}).$$

It is well known from [1] that if *T* has the single-valued extension property, then we have  $\sigma(T) = \sigma_s(T)$ . Since  $\sigma_a(T) = \sigma_s(T^*)^*$  for  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$ , we have

$$\sigma_s(T) = \sigma(T) = \sigma(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) = \sigma_a(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) = \sigma_a(T).$$

(iii) Since  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}$  is complex symmetric, it follows that  $\sigma_p([\widetilde{T}^{(k)}]^*) = [\sigma_p(\widetilde{T}^{(k)})]^*$ . By [15], we have  $\sigma_p(T^*) \setminus (0) = \sigma_p(T)^* \setminus (0)$ .

(iv) The proof follows from the proof of (ii).

(v) Since  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}$  is a complex symmetric operator, it follows from [20, Lemma 3.22] that

$$\sigma_{le}(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) = \sigma_{re}(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) = \sigma_{e}(\widetilde{T}^{(k)})$$

Moreover, since note that for any  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$ ,

$$\sigma_e(T) = \sigma_e(\widetilde{T}), \sigma_{le}(T) = \sigma_{le}(\widetilde{T}), \text{ and } \sigma_{re}(T) \setminus (0) = \sigma_{re}(\widetilde{T}) \setminus (0)$$

hold, it follows from [15, Theorem 1.5] that  $\sigma_e(T) = \sigma_e(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}), \sigma_{le}(T) = \sigma_{le}(\widetilde{T}^{(k)})$ , and  $\sigma_{re}(T) \setminus (0) = \sigma_{re}(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) \setminus (0)$ . Hence we obtain that

$$\sigma_{le}(T) = \sigma_e(T)$$
 and  $\sigma_{le}(T) \setminus (0) = \sigma_{re}(T) \setminus (0) = \sigma_e(T) \setminus (0)$ .

(vi) Since  $\widetilde{T}^{(k)}$  is a complex symmetric operator, it follows from [20, Lemma 3.22] that

$$\sigma_e(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) = \sigma_{ea}(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}) = \sigma_w(\widetilde{T}^{(k)}).$$

Moreover, since for any  $T \in \mathscr{L}(\mathscr{H})$ ,  $\sigma_w(T) = \sigma_w(\widetilde{T})$  holds from [18, Theorem 1.21], we know that  $\sigma_w(T) = \sigma_w(\widetilde{T}^{(k)})$ . On the other hand, it is known that  $\lambda \notin \sigma_{ea}(T)$  if and only if  $T - \lambda$  is semi-Fredholm with  $\operatorname{ind}(T - \lambda) \leq 0$ . From this fact and [18, Theorem 1.10], we know that  $\sigma_{ea}(T) = \sigma_{ea}(\widetilde{T})$  and so  $\sigma_{ea}(T) = \sigma_{ea}(\widetilde{T}^{(k)})$ . Hence we obtain that  $\sigma_e(T) = \sigma_{ea}(T) = \sigma_w(T)$ .  $\Box$ 

THEOREM 5. Let  $T \in BAIC(k)$ . Then the following statements are equivalent: (i) *a*-Weyl's theorem holds for *T*. (ii) Weyl's theorem holds for *T*. (iii) *T* has the property (w).

*Proof.* By the definition, it is trivial that (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii). Assume that T satisfies Weyl's theorem. Since T is complex symmetric, it follows from Lemma 2 that  $\sigma_a(T) = \sigma(T)$  and  $\sigma_w(T) = \sigma_{ea}(T)$ , which gives that

$$\pi_{00}^{a}(T) = \pi_{00}(T) = \sigma(T) \setminus \sigma_{w}(T) = \sigma_{a}(T) \setminus \sigma_{ea}(T).$$

Hence *a*-Weyl's theorem holds for *T*. Thus we have (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i). Similarly, since  $\pi_{00}^{a}(T) = \pi_{00}(T)$ , we show that (i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iii).  $\Box$ 

COROLLARY 6. Let  $T \in BAIC(k)$  be a quasiaffinity and let  $T^* \in BAIC(k)$ . Then the following statements holds.

(i) If T satisfies a-Weyl's theorem, then  $T^*$  does.

(ii) If T has the property (w), then  $T^*$  does.

*Proof.* (i) If T satisfies a-Weyl's theorem, then Weyl's theorem holds for T. Since T is a quasiaffinity, it follows that Weyl's theorem holds for  $T^*$  by Theorem 4. Since  $T^* \in BAIC(k)$ , it satisfies a-Weyl's theorem by Theorem 5.

(ii) Let *T* have the property (*w*). Since  $T \in BAIC(k)$  and *T* is a quasiaffinity, it follows from Theorem 5 that  $T^*$  has the property (*w*).  $\Box$ 

THEOREM 6. Let  $T \in BAIC(k)$  have the single-valued extension property. If T is a quasiaffinity, then the following statements are equivalent.

(i) T satisfies generalized a-Weyl's theorem.

(ii) T satisfies generalized Weyl's theorem.

*Proof.* Since (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) follows from [7, Theorem 3.7], it suffices to show that (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i). Suppose that *T* satisfies generalized Weyl's theorem. Then we have  $\sigma_{BW}(T) = \sigma(T) \setminus \pi_0(T)$ . Since  $T \in BAIC(k)$ , it follows from Lemma 2 that  $\sigma_a(T) = \sigma(T)$  and so

$$\sigma_{BW}(T) = \sigma(T) \setminus \pi_0(T) = \sigma_a(T) \setminus \pi_0^a(T).$$

Hence it suffices to show that  $\sigma_{SBF^+_+}(T) = \sigma_{BW}(T)$ . If  $\lambda \notin \sigma_{SBF^-_+}(T)$ , then  $T - \lambda$  is semi-B-Fredholm and  $ind_B(T - \lambda) \leq 0$ . Since  $T \in BAIC(k)$  and T has the single-valued extension property, it follows from Corollary 2 that  $T^*$  has the single-valued extension property. Therefore, we obtain from [1] that  $ind_B(T - \lambda) \geq 0$  for every  $\lambda \notin \sigma_{SBF^+_+}(T)$ . Thus we have  $ind_B(T - \lambda) = 0$  for every  $\lambda \notin \sigma_{SBF^+_+}(T)$ , which means that  $\sigma_{SBF^+_+}(T) \supset \sigma_{BW}(T)$ . Since  $\sigma_{SBF^+_+}(T) \subset \sigma_{BW}(T)$  always holds, we obtain that

$$\sigma_{SBF_{+}}(T) = \sigma_{BW}(T) = \sigma_{a}(T) \setminus \pi_{00}^{a}(T),$$

that is, generalized *a*-Weyl's theorem holds for T.  $\Box$ 

COROLLARY 7. Let  $T \in BAIC(k)$ . If T is a quasiaffinity, then the following arguments are equivalent.

(i) *T* satisfies Browder's theorem.

(ii) T satisfies a -Browder's theorem.

(iii) T satisfies the generalized Browder's theorem.

(iv) T satisfies the generalized a-Browder's theorem.

*Proof.* It is well known that (i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iii) and (ii)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iv) from [4, Theorems 2.1 and 2.2]. Since  $\sigma(T) = \sigma_a(T)$  from Lemma 2, we know that  $p_0(T) = p_0^a(T)$ . In addition,  $\sigma_{SBF_+}(T) = \sigma_{BW}(T)$  as in the proof of Theorem 6. Using these facts, we obtain that (iii)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iv). Hence we complete the proof.  $\Box$ 

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