



PRESERVER OF LOCAL SPECTRUM OF SKEW-PRODUCT OPERATORS

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ABSTRACT. Let H and K be infinite-dimensional complex Hilbert spaces, and $B(H)$ (resp. $B(K)$) be the algebra of all bounded linear operators on H (resp. on K). For an operator $T \in B(H)$ and a vector $h \in H$, let $\sigma_T(h)$ denote the local spectrum of T at h . For two nonzero vectors $h_0 \in H$ and $k_0 \in K$, we show that if two maps φ_1 and φ_2 from $B(H)$ into $B(K)$ satisfy

$$\sigma_{\varphi_1(T)\varphi_2(S)^*}(k_0) = \sigma_{TS^*}(h_0)$$

for all $T, S \in B(H)$, and their range containing all operators of rank at most two, then there exist bijective linear maps $P : H \rightarrow K$ and $Q : K \rightarrow H$ such that $\varphi_1(T) = PTQ$ and $\varphi_2(T)^* = Q^{-1}T^*P^{-1}$ for all $T \in B(H)$. Also, we obtain some interesting results in this direction.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Throughout this paper, H and K are two infinite-dimensional complex Hilbert spaces. As usual $B(H, K)$ denotes the space of all bounded linear operators from H into K . When $H = K$ we simply write $B(H)$ instead of $B(H, H)$, and its unit will be denoted by I . The inner product of H or K will be denoted by $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ if there is no confusion. For an operator $T \in B(H, K)$, let T^* denote as usual its adjoint. Linear preserver problems, in the most general setting, demand the characterization of linear maps between algebras that leave a certain property, a particular relation, or even a subset invariant. This subject is very old and goes back well over a century to the so-called first linear preserver problem, due to Frobenius [9], that determines linear maps preserving the determinant of matrices. The local resolvent set, $\rho_T(x)$, of an operator $T \in B(H)$ at a point $x \in H$ is the union of all open subsets U of the complex plane \mathbb{C} for which there is an analytic function $f : U \rightarrow H$ such that $(\mu I - T)f(\mu) = x$ for all $\mu \in U$. The complement of local resolvent set is called the local spectrum of T at x , denoted by $\sigma_T(x)$, and is obviously a closed subset (possibly empty) of $\sigma(T)$, the spectrum of T . Recall that an operator $T \in B(H)$ is said to have the single-valued extension property (henceforth abbreviated to SVEP) if, for every open subset U of \mathbb{C} , there exists no nonzero analytic solution, $f : U \rightarrow H$, of the equation

$$(\mu I - T)f(\mu) = 0, \quad \forall \mu \in U.$$

Every operator $T \in B(H)$ for which the interior of its point spectrum, $\sigma_p(T)$, is empty enjoys this property. For more information about these notions one can see the books [1, 11].

The study of linear and nonlinear local spectra preserver problems attracted the attention of a number of authors. Bourhim and Ransford were the first ones to consider this type of preserver problem, characterizing in [8] additive maps on the algebra of all linear bounded operators on a complex Banach space X that preserve the local spectrum of operators at each vector of X . Their results cleared the way for several authors to describe maps on matrices or operators that preserve local spectrum, local spectral radius, and local inner spectral radius; see, for instance, the survey articles [4, 12] and the references introduced in them. Gonzalez and Mbekhta [10] characterized linear maps on $M_n(\mathbb{C})$ that preserving the local spectrum at only a fixed nonzero vector $x_0 \in \mathbb{C}^n$. They proved that a linear map φ preserves the local spectrum at x_0 if and only if there exists an invertible matrix A in $M_n(\mathbb{C})$ such that $Ax_0 = x_0$ and $\varphi(T) = ATA^{-1}$ for all $T \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$. Bourhim and Miller [6] described linear maps on $M_n(\mathbb{C})$ preserving the local spectral radius at a fixed nonzero vector in \mathbb{C}^n . Bracic and Muller [7] extended the both main results of [6, 10] to infinite dimensional Banach space by characterizing surjective continuous linear maps φ on $B(X)$ that preserve the local spectrum and the local spectral radius at a fixed nonzero vector in X . Bourhim and Mashreghi [5] characterized surjective maps on $B(X)$ that preserve the local spectrum of product operators at fixed nonzero vector. Abdelali et al. [2] characterized maps $\varphi : B(H) \rightarrow B(K)$ that preserve the local spectrum at fixed nonzero vector of the skew-product operators. Bourhim and Lee [3] investigated the form of all surjective maps φ_1 and φ_2 on $B(X)$ such that, for every T and S in $B(X)$, the local spectra of ST and $\varphi_1(T)\varphi_2(S)$ are the same at a nonzero fixed vector x_0 of X . In this paper, we follow the same path of studies by considering general local spectra preservers, and characterize the form of all maps φ_1 and φ_2 of $B(H)$ into $B(K)$ such that, for every T and S in $B(H)$, the local spectrum of TS^* and $\varphi_1(T)\varphi_2(S)^*$ are the same at a nonzero fixed vector.

2. PRELIMINARIES

The first lemma summarizes some known basic properties of the local spectrum.

Lemma 2.1. [1, 11] *Let X be a Banach space and $T \in B(X)$. For every $x, y \in X$ and a scalar $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ the following statements hold.*

(a) $\sigma_T(\alpha x) = \sigma_T(x)$ if $\alpha \neq 0$, and $\sigma_{\alpha T}(x) = \alpha \sigma_T(x)$.

(b) If $Tx = \lambda x$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, then $\sigma_T(x) \subseteq \{\lambda\}$. Further, if $x \neq 0$ and T has SVEP, then $\sigma_T(x) = \{\lambda\}$.

For a nonzero $h \in H$ and $T \in B(H)$, we use a useful notation defined by A. Bourhim and J. Mashreghi in [5] by

$$\sigma_T^*(h) := \begin{cases} \{0\} & \text{if } \sigma_T(h) = \{0\}, \\ \sigma_T(h) \setminus \{0\} & \text{if } \sigma_T(h) \neq \{0\}. \end{cases}$$

For any $x, y \in H$, let $x \otimes y$ denote the operator of rank at most one on H defined by

$$(x \otimes y)z = \langle z, y \rangle x, \quad \forall z \in H.$$

Note that every rank one operator in $B(H)$ can be written in this form, and that every finite rank operator $T \in B(H)$ can be written as a finite sum of rank one operators; i.e., $T = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \otimes y_i$ for some $x_i, y_i \in H$ and $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. We denote by $F(H)$ the set of all finite rank operators in $B(H)$ and $F_n(H)$ the set of all operators of rank at most n , n is a positive integer.

The following lemma is an elementary observation that gives the nonzero local spectrum of any rank one operator.

Lemma 2.2. (See [5, Lemma 2.2]) *Let h_0 be a nonzero vector in H . For every vectors $x, y \in H$, the following statements hold.*

(a)

$$\sigma_{x \otimes y}^*(h_0) := \begin{cases} \{0\} & \text{if } \langle h_0, y \rangle = 0, \\ \langle x, y \rangle & \text{if } \langle h_0, y \rangle \neq 0. \end{cases}$$

(b) For all rank one operators $R \in B(H)$ and all $T, S \in B(H)$, we have

$$\sigma_{(T+S)R}^*(h_0) = \sigma_{TR}^*(h_0) + \sigma_{SR}^*(h_0)$$

The following theorem, which may be of independent interest, gives a spectral characterization of rank one operators in term of local spectrum.

Theorem 2.3. (See [5, Theorem 4.1]) *For a nonzero vector $h \in H$ and a nonzero operator $R \in B(H)$, the following statements are equivalent.*

(a) R has rank one.

(b) $\sigma_{RT}^*(h)$ contains at most one element for all $T \in B(H)$.

(c) $\sigma_{RT}^*(h)$ contains at most one element for all $T \in F_2(H)$.

The following result characterizes in term of the local spectrum when two operators are the same.

Lemma 2.4. (See [5, Theorem 3.2]) *For a nonzero vector h in H and two operators A and B in $B(H)$, the following statements are equivalent.*

(a) $A = B$.

(b) $\sigma_{AT}(h) = \sigma_{BT}(h)$ for all operators $T \in B(H)$.

(c) $\sigma_{AT}(h) = \sigma_{BT}(h)$ for all rank one operators $T \in B(H)$.

(d) $\sigma_{AT}^*(h) = \sigma_{BT}^*(h)$ for all rank one operators $T \in B(H)$.

The following theorem will be useful in the proof of the main results. We recall that if $h : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a ring homomorphism, then an additive map $A : H \rightarrow H$ satisfying $A(\alpha x) = h(\alpha)x$, ($x \in H, \alpha \in \mathbb{C}$) is called an h -quasilinear operator.

Theorem 2.5. (See [13, Theorem 3.3].) Let $\varphi : F(H) \rightarrow F(H)$ be a bijective additive map preserving rank one operators in both directions. Then there exists a ring automorphism $h : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, and either there are h -quasilinear bijective mappings $A : H \rightarrow H$ and $B : H \rightarrow H$ such that

$$\varphi(x \otimes y) = Ax \otimes By, \quad x, y \in H,$$

or there are h -quasilinear bijective mappings $C : H \rightarrow H$ and $D : H \rightarrow H$ such that

$$\varphi(x \otimes y) = Cy \otimes Dx, \quad x, y \in H.$$

Note that, if in Theorem 2.5 the map φ is linear, then h is the identity map on \mathbb{C} and so the maps A, B, C and D are linear.

3. MAIN RESULTS

In the following theorem, we investigate the form of all maps φ_1 and φ_2 of $B(H)$ into $B(K)$ such that, for every T and S in $B(H)$, the local spectrum of TS^* and $\varphi_1(T)\varphi_2(S)^*$ are the same at a nonzero fixed vector.

Theorem 3.1. Let $h_0 \in H$ and $k_0 \in K$ be two nonzero vectors. Suppose that φ_1 and φ_2 be maps from $B(H)$ into $B(K)$ which satisfy

$$(3.1) \quad \sigma_{\varphi_1(T)\varphi_2(S)^*}(k_0) = \sigma_{TS^*}(h_0), \quad (T, S \in B(H)).$$

If the range of φ_1 and φ_2 contain $F_2(K)$, then there exist bijective linear maps $P : H \rightarrow K$ and $Q : K \rightarrow H$ such that $\varphi_1(T) = PTQ$ and $\varphi_2(T)^* = Q^{-1}T^*P^{-1}$ for all $T \in B(H)$.

Proof. The proof is long and we break it into several claims.

Claim 1. φ_1 is injective and $\varphi_1(0) = 0$.

If $\varphi_1(T) = \varphi_1(S)$ for some $T, S \in B(H)$, we get that

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{TR^*}(h_0) &= \sigma_{\varphi_1(T)\varphi_2(R)^*}(k_0) \\ &= \sigma_{\varphi_1(S)\varphi_2(R)^*}(k_0) \\ &= \sigma_{SR^*}(h_0) \end{aligned}$$

for all $R \in B(H)$. By Lemma 2.4, we see that $T = S$ and φ_1 is injective. For the second part of this claim, $\sigma_{\varphi_1(0)\varphi_2(T)^*}(k_0) = \sigma_{0T^*}(h_0) = \{0\} = \sigma_{0\varphi_2(T)^*}(k_0)$ for all $T \in B(H)$. As the range of φ_1 contains all rank one operators, Lemma 2.4 entails that $\varphi_1(0) = 0$.

Claim 2. φ_1 preserves rank one operators in both directions.

Let R be a rank one operator, and note that $\varphi_1(R) \neq 0$, since $\varphi_1(0) = 0$ and φ_1 is injective. Let $T \in B(H)$ be an arbitrary operator, then $\sigma_{RT^*}(h_0)$ has at most one element for all $T \in B(H)$, and so is $\sigma_{\varphi_1(R)\varphi_2(T)^*}(k_0)$. As the range of φ_1 contains $F_2(K)$, we see that $\sigma_{\varphi_1(R)S^*}(k_0)$ has at most one element for all operators $S \in F_2(K)$. By Lemma 2.3, we see that $\varphi_1(R)$ is rank one. Conversely, assume that $\varphi_1(R)$ is rank one for some operator $R \in B(H)$, and note that $R \neq 0$ and that $\sigma_{\varphi_1(R)\varphi_2(T)^*}(k_0)$ has at most one element for all $T \in B(H)$. Therefore, $\sigma_{RT^*}(h_0)$ has at most one element for all $T \in B(H)$. Again Lemma 2.3 tells us that R is rank one.

Claim 3. φ_1 is linear.

First we show that φ_1 is additive. Let R be a rank one operator, and note that, by the previous claim, $\varphi_1(R)$ is a rank one operator too. Let T and S be two operators in $B(H)$, and note that, by applying the statement (b) of Lemma 2.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{\varphi_1(T+S)\varphi_2(R)^*}^*(k_0) &= \sigma_{(T+S)R^*}^*(h_0) \\ &= \sigma_{TR^*}^*(h_0) + \sigma_{SR^*}^*(h_0) \\ &= \sigma_{\varphi_1(T)\varphi_2(R)^*}^*(k_0) + \sigma_{\varphi_1(S)\varphi_2(R)^*}^*(k_0) \\ &= \sigma_{(\varphi_1(T)+\varphi_1(S))\varphi_2(R)^*}^*(k_0).\end{aligned}$$

for all rank one operators $R \in B(H)$. By Lemma 2.4, we conclude that $\varphi_1(T + S) = \varphi_1(T) + \varphi_1(S)$ for all $T, S \in B(H)$, and φ_1 is additive; as desired.

Now, let us show that φ_1 is homogeneous. For every $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ and $T \in B(X)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{\alpha\varphi_1(T)\varphi_2(R)^*}^*(k_0) &= \alpha\sigma_{\varphi_1(T)\varphi_2(R)^*}^*(k_0) \\ &= \alpha\sigma_{TR^*}^*(h_0) \\ &= \sigma_{(\alpha T)R^*}^*(h_0) \\ &= \sigma_{\varphi_1(\alpha T)\varphi_2(R)^*}^*(k_0).\end{aligned}$$

Lemma 2.4 shows that $\varphi_1(\alpha T) = \alpha\varphi_1(T)$. So φ_1 is linear.

Claim 4. There are bijective linear mappings $A : H \rightarrow K$ and $B : H \rightarrow K$ such that $\varphi_1(x \otimes y) = Ax \otimes By$ for all $x, y \in H$.

By the previous claim $\varphi_1 : F(H) \rightarrow F(K)$ is a bijective linear map which preserves rank one operators in both directions. Thus by Theorem 2.5, φ_1 has one of the following forms.

(1) There exist bijective linear maps $A : H \rightarrow K$ and $B : H \rightarrow K$ such that

$$(3.2) \quad \varphi_1(x \otimes y) = Ax \otimes By, \quad (x, y \in H).$$

(2) There exist bijective linear maps $C : H \rightarrow K$ and $D : H \rightarrow K$ such that

$$(3.3) \quad \varphi_1(x \otimes y) = Cy \otimes Dx, \quad (x, y \in H).$$

Assume that φ_1 takes the form (3.3). Let $v \in K$ be a nonzero vector such that $\langle \varphi_2(I)^*(k_0), v \rangle = 0$, since $x = D^{-1}v$ and h_0 are nonzero vectors in H , there exist a nonzero vector $y \in H$ such that $\langle h_0, y \rangle \neq 0$ and $\langle x, y \rangle \neq 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\{0\} &= \sigma_{(Cy \otimes v)\varphi_2(I)^*}^*(k_0) \\ &= \sigma_{(Cy \otimes Dx)\varphi_2(I)^*}^*(k_0) \\ &= \sigma_{x \otimes y}^*(h_0).\end{aligned}$$

But Lemma 2.2 implies that

$$\sigma_{x \otimes y}^*(h_0) = \{\langle x, y \rangle\} \neq \{0\}.$$

This contradiction shows that φ_1 only takes the form (3.2).

Claim 5. For every $x, y \in H$, $\langle x, y \rangle = \langle Ax, \varphi_2(I)(By) \rangle$.

Let x and y be arbitrary vector in H . The previous claim and (3.1) entail that

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{x \otimes y}^*(h_0) &= \sigma_{\varphi_1(x \otimes y)\varphi_2(I)^*}^*(k_0) \\ &= \sigma_{(Ax \otimes By)\varphi_2(I)^*}^*(k_0).\end{aligned}$$

Assume first that $\langle h_0, y \rangle \neq 0$, using Lemma 2.2,

$$\begin{aligned} \{0\} \neq \{\langle h_0, y \rangle\} &= \sigma_{h_0 \otimes y}(h_0) \\ &= \sigma_{\varphi_1(h_0 \otimes y)\varphi_2(I)^*}(k_0) \\ &= \sigma_{(Ah_0 \otimes By)\varphi_2(I)^*}(k_0). \end{aligned}$$

Which means that $\langle k_0, \varphi_2(I)(By) \rangle \neq 0$. Then Lemma 2.2 implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \{\langle x, y \rangle\} &= \sigma_{x \otimes y}(h_0) \\ &= \sigma_{(Ax \otimes By)\varphi_2(I)^*}(k_0) \\ &= \{\langle Ax, \varphi_2(I)(By) \rangle\}. \end{aligned}$$

Now, if $\langle h_0, y \rangle = 0$, we choose a vector $u \in H$ such that $\langle h_0, u \rangle \neq 0$. By what has been shown lastly applied to both u and $x + u$, we have

$\langle x, u \rangle = \langle Ax, \varphi_2(I)(Bu) \rangle$ and $\langle x, y + u \rangle = \langle Ax, \varphi_2(I)(B(u + y)) \rangle$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x, y \rangle + \langle x, u \rangle &= \langle x, y + u \rangle \\ &= \langle Ax, \varphi_2(I)(B(y + u)) \rangle \\ &= \langle Ax, \varphi_2(I)(By) \rangle + \langle Ax, \varphi_2(I)(Bu) \rangle \\ &= \langle Ax, \varphi_2(I)(By) \rangle + \langle x, u \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that $\langle x, y \rangle = \langle Ax, \varphi_2(I)(By) \rangle$ in this case too.

Claim 6. $\varphi_2(I)^*$ is invertible and $Ah_0 = \alpha k_0$ for some nonzero scalar $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$.

It is clear that $\varphi_2(I)^*$ is injective, if not, there is a nonzero vector $y \in H$ such that $\varphi_2(I)^*y = 0$. Take $x = A^{-1}y$, and let $u \in H$ be a vector such that $\langle x, u \rangle \neq 0$. By the previous claim, we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \neq \langle x, u \rangle &= \langle Ax, \varphi_2(I)(Bu) \rangle \\ &= \langle y, \varphi_2(I)(Bu) \rangle \\ &= \langle \varphi_2(I)^*y, Bu \rangle = 0. \end{aligned}$$

This contradiction tells us that $\varphi_2(I)^*$ is injective. Now, we show that A is continuous. Assume that $(x_n)_n$ is a sequence in H such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x \in H$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ax_n = y \in H$. Then, for every $u \in H$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle y, \varphi_2(I)(Bu) \rangle &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle Ax_n, \varphi_2(I)(Bu) \rangle \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_n, u \rangle = \langle x, u \rangle \\ &= \langle Ax, \varphi_2(I)(By) \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Since B is bijective and $u \in H$ is an arbitrary vector, the closed graph theorem shows that A is continuous. Moreover, we have $\langle x, y \rangle = \langle Ax, \varphi_2(I)(By) \rangle = \langle x, A^*\varphi_2(I)(By) \rangle$ for all $x, y \in H$, and thus $I = A^*\varphi_2(I)B$. It follows that $\varphi_2(I)^*$ is invertible.

For the second part of this claim, suppose, by the way of contradiction, let y be a nonzero vector in H such that $\langle h_0, y \rangle = 1$ and $\langle A^{-1}k_0, y \rangle = 0$. We have $(h_0 \otimes y)h_0 = h_0$ and $A(x \otimes y)(A^{-1})^*k_0 = 0$, then $\sigma_{h_0 \otimes y}(h_0) = \{1\}$ and $\sigma_{A(h_0 \otimes y)A^{-1}}(k_0) = \{0\}$. The previous claim

implies that

$$\begin{aligned}\{1\} &= \sigma_{h_0 \otimes y}(h_0) = \sigma_{\varphi_1(h_0 \otimes y)\varphi_2(I)^*}(k_0) \\ &= \sigma_{(Ah_0 \otimes By)\varphi_2(I)^*}(k_0) = \sigma_{(Ah_0 \otimes \varphi_2(I)By)}(k_0) \\ &= \sigma_{A(h_0 \otimes y)A^{-1}}(k_0) = \{0\}.\end{aligned}$$

This contradiction shows that there is a nonzero scalar $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $Ah_0 = \alpha k_0$.

Claim 7. $\varphi_1(T) = PTQ$ and $\varphi_2(T)^* = Q^{-1}T^*P^{-1}$ for every $T \in B(H)$, where $P = \alpha^{-1}A$ for some nonzero scalar $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ and $Q = (\varphi_2(I)^*P)^{-1}$.

By the previous claim, we see that $B = \varphi_2(I)^{-1}(A^*)^{-1}$, and thus

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi_1(x \otimes y) &= Ax \otimes By = A(x \otimes y)B^* \\ &= A(x \otimes y)(\varphi_2(I)^*A)^{-1} = P(x \otimes y)Q\end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in H$. Therefore, for any $x, y \in H$ and $T \in B(H)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{P(x \otimes y)Q\varphi_2(T)^*}(k_0) &= \sigma_{\varphi_1(x \otimes y)\varphi_2(T)^*}(k_0) \\ &= \sigma_{(x \otimes y)T^*}(h_0) \\ &= \sigma_{P(x \otimes y)QQ^{-1}T^*P^{-1}}(Ph_0) \\ &= \sigma_{P(x \otimes y)QQ^{-1}T^*P^{-1}}(k_0).\end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2.4, we conclude that $\varphi_2(T)^* = Q^{-1}T^*P^{-1}$ for all $T \in B(H)$.

For the second part of this claim, Observe that

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{PTQ\varphi_2(S)^*}(k_0) &= \sigma_{PTQQ^{-1}S^*P^{-1}}(k_0) \\ &= \sigma_{TS^*}(h_0) = \sigma_{\varphi_1(T)\varphi_2(S)^*}(k_0).\end{aligned}$$

for all $T \in B(H)$. By Lemma 2.4, we have $\varphi_1(T) = PTQ$, for every $T \in B(H)$. ■

Theorem 3.1 leads to the following corollary.

Corollary 3.2. Suppose $U \in B(H, K)$ be an unitary operator and $h_0 \in H$ be nonzero vector. Let φ_1 and φ_2 be maps from $B(H)$ into $B(K)$ which satisfy

$$\sigma_{\varphi_1(T)\varphi_2(S)^*}(Uh_0) = \sigma_{TS^*}(h_0)$$

for all $T, S \in B(H)$. If the range of φ_1 and φ_2 contain $F_2(K)$, then there exist bijective linear maps $P : H \rightarrow H$ and $Q : H \rightarrow H$ such that $\varphi_1(T) = UPTQU^*$ and $\varphi_2(T)^* = UQ^{-1}T^*P^{-1}U^*$ for all $T \in B(H)$.

Proof. We consider the maps $\psi_1 : B(H) \rightarrow B(H)$ defined by $\psi_1(T) = U^*\varphi_1(T)U$ and $\psi_2 : B(H) \rightarrow B(H)$ defined by $\psi_2(T) = U^*\varphi_2(T)U$ for all $T \in B(H)$. We have,

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{\psi_1(T)\psi_2(S)^*}(h_0) &= \sigma_{U^*\varphi_1(T)UU^*\varphi_2(S)^*U}(h_0) \\ &= \sigma_{U^*\varphi_1(T)\varphi_2(S)^*U}(h_0) \\ &= \sigma_{\varphi_1(T)\varphi_2(S)^*}(Uh_0) \\ &= \sigma_{TS^*}(h_0)\end{aligned}$$

for every $T, S \in B(H)$. So by Theorem 3.1, there exist bijective linear maps $P : H \rightarrow H$ and $Q : H \rightarrow H$ such that $\psi_1(T) = PTQ$ and $\psi_2(T)^* = Q^{-1}T^*P^{-1}$ for all $T \in B(H)$. The result follows. ■

4. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we have followed the same path of studies by considering general local spectra preservers, and characterized the form of all maps $\varphi_1 : B(H) \rightarrow B(K)$ and $\varphi_2 : B(H) \rightarrow B(K)$ that preserve the local spectrum at fixed nonzero vector of the skew-double product TS^* , and under the mild assumption on the ranges of the maps contain operators with rank at most two.

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