

(a) By the definition given in (4.4) there exists a $\tau > 0$ such that $\underline{c}_t(h, \phi) \geq \underline{c}(h, \phi) - \epsilon$ for all $t \geq \tau$. It follows that

$$(4.5) \quad h_t(x) \geq e^{(\alpha+\epsilon)t} \quad \text{whenever } t \geq \tau, x \in K, \alpha < \underline{c}(h, \phi) - 2\epsilon.$$

Now we fix $\lambda = \alpha + i\beta \in H_{2\epsilon}$ ($\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$) and construct an approximate eigenvector (g_n) of A corresponding to λ . For $n \leq \tau + 1$ we choose an arbitrary function $g_n \neq 0$. Now suppose $n > \tau + 1$. We choose $x_n \in K_{n+1/2} \setminus K_{n+1}$ (cf. Lemma 4.2(a)), then there exists $y_n \in K$ such that $\phi(n+1/2, y_n) = x_n$. We have $\phi([0, n+1/2], y_n) \cap K_{n+1} = \emptyset$ and the mapping $t \mapsto \phi(t, y_n)$ is a continuous injection, hence a homeomorphism from $[0, n+1/2]$ into K (this is true because $\phi(n+1/2, y_n) \notin K_{n+1}$). By Tietze's Theorem there is $f_n \in C(K)$ such that

$$(4.6) \quad \|f_n\| \leq 1, \quad f_n|_{K_{n+1}} = 0, \\ f_n(\phi(t, y_n)) = 0 \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq n-(1+\delta) \quad \text{and } n+\delta \leq t \leq n+1, \\ f_n(\phi(t, y_n)) = e^{i\beta t} \quad \text{for } n-1 \leq t \leq n.$$

The constant $\delta \in (0, 1/2)$ will be determined later.

Considering $g_n := \int_0^{n+1} e^{-\lambda t} T(t) f_n dt$, then $g_n \in D(A)$ and

$$(4.7) \quad (\lambda - A)g_n = (1 - e^{-\lambda(n+1)} T(n+1)) f_n = \\ = f_n - e^{-\lambda(n+1)} \cdot h_{n+1} \cdot f_n \circ \phi_{n+1} = f_n.$$

Moreover,

$$\|g_n\| \geq |g_n(y_n)| = \left| \int_0^{n+1} e^{-\lambda t} h_t(y_n) f_n(\phi(t, y_n)) dt \right| \geq \\ \left| \int_{n-1}^n e^{-\lambda t} h_t(y_n) e^{i\beta t} dt \right| - \left[\int_{n-(1+\delta)}^{n-1} + \int_n^{n+\delta} |e^{-\lambda t} h_t(y_n) f_n(\phi(t, y_n))| dt \right] \\ \geq \int_{n-1}^n e^{-\alpha t} e^{(\alpha+\epsilon)t} dt - \left[\int_{n-(1+\delta)}^{n-1} + \int_n^{n+\delta} e^{-\alpha t} |h_t(y_n)| dt \right] \\ = 1/\epsilon \cdot (e^{\epsilon n} - e^{\epsilon(n-1)}) - \left[\int_{n-(1+\delta)}^{n-1} + \int_n^{n+\delta} e^{-\alpha t} |h_t(y_n)| dt \right].$$

The constant δ can be chosen such that

$$(4.8) \quad \|g_n\| \geq 1/2\epsilon \cdot (e^{\epsilon n} - e^{\epsilon(n-1)}) \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

It follows from (4.8) and (4.7) that $g_n/\|g_n\|$ is an approximate eigenvector of A corresponding to λ . Thus (a) is proved. The proofs of (b) and (c) will be handled simultaneously. First we show that we can restrict attention to the case where $K = K_\infty$.

Indeed, K_∞ is a ϕ -invariant subset, hence $I_\infty := \{f \in C(K) : f|_{K_\infty} = 0\}$ is a T -invariant ideal. Identifying $C(K)/I_\infty$ with $C(K_\infty)$ (cf. B-I, Sec.1), then $(T(t)/I_\infty)$ is the semigroup governed by $\phi|_{K_\infty}$ and $h|_{K_\infty}$. Since one always has $R_\sigma(A|_{K_\infty}) \subseteq R_\sigma(A)$, assertion (b) is proved