

Since $s^*(M_p, (M_p)_*) = s^*(M, M_*)|_{M_p}$ (a) follows immediately from (i)'. Using the resolvent equation for R it is easy to see that (ii)' implies

$$\lim_n \|(Id - \lambda R(\lambda))\phi_n\| = 0$$

for all $\lambda \in D$ and the proof is complete. □

Without further comments we will make use of the following facts in the rest of this section :

(1) A sequence (ϕ_n) in M'_+ converges in the $\sigma(M', M)$ -topology if and only if it converges in $\sigma(M', M')$ -topology [Akeman-Dodds-Gamlen (1972)].

(2) We can decompose $\phi \in M'_+$ into its normal and singular part $\phi = \phi^{(n)} + \phi^{(s)}$, $0 \leq \phi^{(n)} \in M_\star$, $0 \leq \phi^{(s)} \in M_\star^\perp$ and $\|\phi\| = \|\phi^{(n)}\| + \|\phi^{(s)}\|$ [Takesaki (1979), Theorem III.2.14].

(3) If (ϕ_n) is a sequence in M_\star which converges to zero in the $\sigma(M_\star, M)$ -topology and if (x_n) is a sequence in M which converges to zero in the $s^*(M, M_\star)$ -topology, then $\lim_n \phi_k(x_n) = 0$ uniformly in $k \in \mathbb{N}$ [Takesaki (1979), Lemma III.5.5].

Theorem 4.4. Let R be an identity preserving pseudo-resolvent on $D = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) > 0\}$ with values in a W^* -algebra M which is of Schwarz type and let R' its adjoint pseudo-resolvent. Any one of the following conditions implies $\dim \operatorname{Fix}(\hat{R}) < \infty$ in some ultrapower of M .

- (a) The fixed space of R' is finite dimensional.
- (b) $\lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} \mu R(\mu) = P$ exists in the strong operator topology and $\operatorname{rank}(P) < \infty$.
- (c) The fixed space of R' is contained in M_\star .
- (d) Every map $\mu R(\mu)$, $\mu \in \mathbb{R}_+$, is irreducible on M .

Proof. Suppose that the dimension of the fixed space of $(R')^\wedge$ in some ultrapower $(M')^\wedge$ of M' is infinite dimensional. Since $(M')^\wedge$