

positive linear. From (3.5) and (3.6) one deduces that

$$(KR(\lambda, A)f)(x, v) = \int_0^t \int_0^t k(x, v, x', v') f(x', v') dx' dv'$$

where the kernel k is given by $k(x, v, x', v') := \kappa(x, v, v') r_\lambda(x, x', v')$ (cf. (3.5), (3.7)). Using this representation of $KR(\lambda, A)$ it follows that K is A -compact. Moreover for λ sufficiently large one has $R(\lambda, A-M) = R(\lambda, A)(1 - MR(\lambda, A))^{-1}$ which shows that K is also $(A-M)$ -compact. In order to apply Thm.3.14 one needs $s(B) > s(A-M)$ (see Prop.3.17) which is difficult to verify. In case the function σ is continuous one can state a sufficient condition as follows:

There exist $r \in \mathbb{R}$ and $g \in L^1([0, 1] \times [-1, 1])$, $g > 0$ such that $r < \inf\{\sigma(x, 0) : x \in [0, 1]\}$ and $Bg \geq -rg$.

The additional assumption made in the second part of Prop.3.17 is not satisfied in this example. Nevertheless one can show that $s(B)$ is strictly dominant in this situation (provided that $s(B) > s(A)$). For details we refer to Greiner (1984d) or Voigt (1985) where the linear transport equation in higher dimensional spaces is discussed.

4. SEMIGROUPS OF LATTICE HOMOMORPHISMS

In Section 2 we proved that the boundary spectrum of certain positive semigroups is a cyclic set. For semigroups of lattice homomorphisms much more can be said: The whole spectrum is an imaginary additively cyclic subset of \mathbb{C} (cf. Thm.4.2). This result can be used to derive cyclicity results for the eigenvalues in the boundary spectrum of positive semigroups (cf. Cor.4.3). In the last part of this section we discuss a spectral decomposition of positive groups (cf. Thm.4.10).

Lemma 4.1. Suppose that $(T(t))_{t \geq 0}$ is a semigroup of lattice homomorphisms on a Banach lattice E with generator A .

In case $i\alpha \in R\sigma(A)$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, then one of the following assertions is true:

- (a) $i\alpha\mathbb{Z} \subset R\sigma(A)$;
- (b) $\{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re} \lambda < 0\} \subset R\sigma(A)$.

Proof. There exists $\phi \in E'$, $\phi \neq 0$ such that $T(t)' \phi = e^{i\alpha t} \phi$ ($t \geq 0$). Then we have $|\phi| = |T(t)' \phi| \leq T(t)' |\phi|$ ($t \geq 0$).

If we fix $r > \omega(T)$ and define $\psi := rR(r, A)' |\phi|$, we have

$$(4.1) \quad T(t)' \psi \leq e^{rt} \psi, \quad T(t)' \psi \geq \psi \quad (t \geq 0) \quad \text{and} \quad |\phi| \leq \psi.$$