

2. A FUNDAMENTAL INEQUALITY FOR THE RESOLVENT

If $\mathcal{Y} = (T(t))_{t \geq 0}$ is a C_0 -semigroup of Schwarz maps on a C^* -algebra M (resp. a C_0^* -semigroup on a W^* -algebra M) with generator A , then $s(A) \leq 0$. Thus the resolvent $R(\lambda, A)$ has for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) > 0$ the representation

$$R(\lambda, A)x = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} T(t)x dt \quad (x \in M)$$

where the integral exists in the norm topology. This observation is quite useful for our first result which will be fundamental for our approach.

THEOREM 2.1. Let $\mathcal{Y} = (T(t))_{t \geq 0}$ be a C_0 -semigroup of Schwarz type and $\mathcal{S} = (S(t))_{t \geq 0}$ a C_0 -semigroup on a C^* -algebra M with generators A and B , respectively. If

$$(S(t)x)(S(t)x)^* \leq T(t)(xx^*) \quad (*)$$

for all $x \in M$ and $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$, then

$$(\mu R(\mu, B)x)(\mu R(\mu, B)x)^* \leq \mu R(\mu, A)xx^*$$

for all $x \in M$ and $\mu \in \mathbb{R}_+$. The same result holds if \mathcal{Y} is a C_0^* -semigroup of Schwarz type and \mathcal{S} is a C_0^* -semigroup on a W^* -algebra M such that $(*)$ is fulfilled.

Proof. From the assumption (*) it follows

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &\leq (S(r)x - S(t)x)(S(r)x - S(t)x)^* = \\
 &= (S(r)x)(S(r)x)^* - (S(r)x)(S(t)x)^* - \\
 &\quad - (S(t)x)(S(r)x)^* + (S(t)x)(S(t)x)^* \leq \\
 &\leq T(r)xx^* + T(t)xx^* - (S(r)x)(S(t)x)^* - \\
 &\quad - (S(t)x)(S(r)x)^*
 \end{aligned}$$

for every $r, t \in \mathbb{R}_+$. Hence

$$(S(r)x)(S(t)x)^* + (S(t)x)(S(r)x)^* \leq T(r)xx^* + T(t)xx^*$$

Obviously, $\|S(t)\| \leq 1$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$. Then for all $0 \leq \mu \in \mathbb{R}_+$ and $x \in M$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (R(\mu, B)x)(R(\mu, B)x)^* &= \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-\mu r} S(r)x dr\right) \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-\mu t} S(t)x dt\right)^* = \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty e^{-\mu(r+t)} ((S(r)x)(S(t)x)^* + \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + (S(t)x)(S(r)x)^*) dr dt \leq \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{2} \left(\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty e^{-\mu(r+t)} (T(r)xx^* + T(t)xx^*) dr dt = \\
 &= \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-\mu s} ds\right) \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-\mu t} T(t)xx^* dt\right) = \mu^{-1} R(\mu, A)(xx^*) .
 \end{aligned}$$

where the handling of the integral is justified by [5, §8, n° 4, Proposition 9.]. \square

COROLLARY 2.2. Let \mathcal{Y} be a C_0 -semigroup of Schwarz maps (res. C_0^* -semigroup of Schwarz maps). Then for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) > 0$:

$$(R(\lambda, A)x)(R(\lambda, A)x)^* \leq (\operatorname{Re} \lambda)^{-1} R(\operatorname{Re} \lambda, A)xx^* .$$

In particular for all $(\mu, \alpha) \in \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}$:

$$(\mu R(\mu + i\alpha, A)x)(\mu R(\mu + i\alpha, A)x)^* \leq \mu R(\mu, A)(xx^*)$$

Proof. Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) > 0$. Then the semigroup $\mathcal{S} := (e^{-i\operatorname{Im}(\lambda)t} T(t))_{t \geq 0}$ fulfils the assumption of Theorem 2.2. and $B := A - i\operatorname{Im}(\lambda)I$ is the generator of \mathcal{S} . Consequently $R(\lambda, A) = R(\operatorname{Re} \lambda, B)$ and the corollary is proved. \square

We now recall some spectral theoretic notions. If \mathcal{Y} is a C_0 -semigroup on a Banach space E with generator A then $e^{t\sigma(A)} \setminus \{0\} \subseteq \sigma(T(t))$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ([8, Theorem 2.16]) and the inclusion can be proper ([8, Theorem 2.17, Example 2.18]). On the other hand, if $\lambda \in \rho(A)$, then

$$\sigma(R(\lambda, A)) \cup \{0\} = \{(\lambda - \mu)^{-1} : \mu \in \sigma(A)\} \cup \{0\}.$$

This "spectral mapping theorem" remains valid also for the point spectrum $P\sigma(A)$, approximative point spectrum $A\sigma(A)$

and the residual spectrum $R_\sigma(A)$ of A and $R(\lambda, A)$ respectively ([12, Proposition 1.1]). In addition, other properties of \mathcal{Y} such as ergodicity can be expressed with the help of the resolvent (see, e.g. [22, XVIII; 42, VIII. 4.]). These observations, the first resolvent inequality for $R(., T)$ and Corollary 2.2. motivate the introduction of a more general concept (see also [12, 34]):

Definition 2.3. Let E be a Banach space and $\emptyset \neq D$ an open subset of \mathbb{C} . A family $R: D \rightarrow L(E)$ is called a pseudoresolvent on D with values in E if

$$R(\lambda) - R(\mu) = -(\lambda - \mu)R(\lambda)R(\mu)$$

for all λ and μ in D . If R is a pseudoresolvent on $D = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) > 0\}$ with values in a C^* - or W^* -algebra, then R is called of Schwarz type, if

$$(R(\lambda, A)x)(R(\lambda, A)x)^* \leq (\operatorname{Re} \lambda)^{-1} R(\operatorname{Re} \lambda)xx^*$$

for all $\lambda \in D$ and $x \in M$. R is called identity preserving, if $\lambda R(\lambda)1 = 1$ for all $\lambda \in D$.

For properties of a pseudoresolvent R with values in a Banach space we refer to [12, Proposition 1.2; 34; 42, VIII.4.]. We collect some facts which we will use without further reference in the rest of this paper:

(a) If $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ and $x \in E$ such that $(\alpha - \lambda)R(\lambda)x = x$ for some $\lambda \in D$, then $(\alpha - \mu)R(\mu)x = x$ for all $\mu \in D$ (use the "resolvent equation").

(b) If F is a closed subspace of E such that $R(\lambda)F \subseteq F$ for some $\lambda \in D$, then $R(\mu)F \subseteq F$ for all μ in a neighbourhood of λ . This follows from the fact that for all $\mu \in D$ such that $|\lambda - \mu| \leq \|R(\lambda)\|^{-1}$, the pseudoresolvent in μ is given by $R(\mu) = \sum_n (\lambda - \mu)^n R(\lambda)^{n+1}$.

For conditions which guarantee that a pseudoresolvent is the resolvent of a densely defined operator see [34, 42].

DEFINITION 2.4. We call a C_0 -semigroup \mathcal{Y} on the predual M_* of a W^* -algebra M identity preserving and of Schwarz type, if its adjoint C_0^* -semigroup has these properties. Likewise, a pseudoresolvent R on $D = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) > 0\}$ with values in M_* is called identity preserving and of Schwarz type, if R' has these properties.

Since for a C_0 -semigroup of contractions on a Banach space

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Fix}(\mathcal{Y}) &= \bigcup_{t \geq 0} \ker(I - T(t)) = \\ &= \ker(I - \lambda R(\lambda, A)) = \operatorname{Fix}(\lambda R(\lambda, A)) \end{aligned}$$

for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ with $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) > 0$, a C_0 -semigroup of contractions on M is identity preserving and of Schwarz type iff the pseudoresolvent on $D = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) > 0\}$ given by $R(\lambda) := R(\lambda, A)|_D$ is identity preserving and of Schwarz type.

INDUCTION AND REDUCTION 2.5. (a) If E is a Banach space E and $\mathcal{Y} \subseteq L(E)$ a semigroup of bounded operators, then a closed subspace F is called \mathcal{Y} -invariant, if $SF \subseteq F$ for all $S \in \mathcal{Y}$. We call the semigroup $\mathcal{Y}|_F := \{S|_F : S \in \mathcal{Y}\}$ the reduced semigroup. Note that for a C_0 -semigroup \mathcal{Y} (resp. pseudoresolvent R) the reduced semigroup $\mathcal{Y}|_F$ is again strongly continuous (resp. $R|_F$ is again a pseudoresolvent).

(b) Let M be a W^* -algebra, $p \in M$ a projection and $S \in L(M)$ such that $S(p^\perp M) \subseteq p^\perp M$ and $S(Mp^\perp) \subseteq Mp^\perp$, where $p^\perp := 1-p$. Since for all $x \in M$:

$$p[S(x) - S(pxp)] = p[S(p^\perp xp) + S(xp^\perp)]p = 0,$$

we obtain $p(Sx)p = p(S(pxp)p)$. Therefore the map

$$S_p := (x \mapsto p(Sx)p) : pMp \rightarrow pMp$$

is well defined. We call S_p the induced map. If S is an identity preserving Schwarz map, then it is easy to see that S_p is again a Schwarz map such that $S_p(p) = p$. If

\mathcal{Y} is a C_0^* -semigroup on M which is of Schwarz type and if $T(t)(p^\perp) \leq p^\perp$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$, then \mathcal{Y} leaves $p^\perp M$ and Mp^\perp invariant. It is easy to see that the induced semigroup \mathcal{Y}_p is again a C_0^* -semigroup. If an identity preserving pseudoresolvent of Schwarz type on $D = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) > 0\}$ with values in M such that $\mu R(\mu)p^\perp \leq p^\perp$ for some $\mu \in \mathbb{R}_+$ then $p^\perp M$ and Mp^\perp are R -invariant. Again, the induced pseudoresolvent R_p is of Schwarz type and identity preserving.

(c) Let ϕ be a normal linear functional on a W^* -algebra M such that $T_*\phi = \phi$ for some identity preserving Schwarz map T on M with preadjoint $T_* \in L(M_*)$. Then $T(s(\phi)^\perp) \leq s(\phi)^\perp$ where $s(\phi)$ is the support projection of ϕ . To see this let $L_\phi := \{x \in M : \phi(xx^*) = 0\}$ and $M_\phi := L_\phi \cap L_\phi^*$. Since ϕ is T_* -invariant, and T is a Schwarz map, the subspaces L_ϕ and M_ϕ are T -invariant. Because $M_\phi = s(\phi)^\perp M s(\phi)^\perp$ and $T(s(\phi)^\perp) \leq 1$ it follows $T(s(\phi)^\perp) \leq s(\phi)^\perp$. Let $T_{s(\phi)}$ be the induced map on $M_{s(\phi)}$. If

$$s(\phi)M_*s(\phi) := \{\psi \in M_* : \psi = s(\phi)\psi s(\phi)\}$$

where $\langle s(\phi)\psi s(\phi), x \rangle := \langle \psi, s(\phi)xs(\phi) \rangle$ ($x \in M$), and if $\psi \in s(\phi)M_*s(\phi)$, then for all $x \in M$:

$$\begin{aligned} (T_*\psi)(x) &= \psi(Tx) = \langle \psi, s(\phi)(Tx)s(\phi) \rangle = \\ &= \langle \psi, s(\phi)(T(s(\phi)xs(\phi)))s(\phi) \rangle = \langle T_*\psi, s(\phi)xs(\phi) \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

hence $T_* \psi \in s(\phi) M_* s(\phi)$. Since the dual of $s(\phi) M_* s(\phi)$ is $M_{s(\phi)}$, it follows that the adjoint of the reduced map $T_*|$ is identity preserving and of Schwarz type. For example, if \mathcal{Y} is an identity preserving C_0 -semigroup of Schwarz type on M_* such that $\phi \in \text{Fix}(\mathcal{Y})$, then $\mathcal{Y}|(s(\phi) M_* s(\phi))$ is again a C_0 -semigroup which is identity preserving and of Schwarz type. Furthermore, if R is a pseudoresolvent on $D = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Re}(\lambda) > 0\}$ with values in M_* which is identity preserving and of Schwarz type such that $\mu R(\mu) \phi = \phi$ for some $\mu \in \mathbb{R}_+$, then $R|s(\phi) M_* s(\phi)$ has the same properties.