

We sketch the proof of (i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (ii) assuming that  $s(A) = 0$ . If 0 is a first order pole, then the residue  $P$  is a positive projection satisfying  $PE = \ker A$ ,  $P'E' = \ker A'$  (see A-III,3.6). Thus given  $0 < f \in \ker A$  and any  $0 \leq \phi \in E'$  such that  $\langle f, \phi \rangle > 0$ , we have for  $\Psi := P'\phi$  :  $\langle f, \Psi \rangle = \langle f, P'\phi \rangle = \langle Pf, \phi \rangle = \langle f, \phi \rangle > 0$ . To prove the reverse direction we first observe that the highest coefficient  $Q_k$  of the Laurent expansion is a positive operator. Thus if 0 is a pole of order  $k \geq 2$  we choose  $0 < h \in E$  such that  $f := Q_k h > 0$ . Then  $Af = AQ_k h = 0$  and for every  $\Psi \in \ker A'$  we have  $\langle f, \Psi \rangle = \langle Q_k h, \Psi \rangle = \langle h, Q_k' \Psi \rangle = \langle h, Q_{k-1}' A' \Psi \rangle = 0$ .

(b) If a linear operator  $S$  on  $C_0(X)$  is weakly compact, then  $S^2$  is compact (see B-IV, Prop.2.4(b)). Therefore every non-zero spectral value of a weakly compact operator is a pole of the resolvent. This shows that Thm.2.9 is applicable if either  $T(t_0)$  is weakly compact for some  $t_0$  or  $R(\lambda, A)$  is weakly compact for some  $\lambda \in \rho(A)$ . We quote two criteria for weak compactness:

(2.31) If  $T \in L(C(K))$ ,  $K$  compact, is positive, then it is weakly compact if and only if its biadjoint  $T''$  maps the bounded Borel functions into  $C(K)$  (see B-IV, Prop.2.4).

(2.32) A positive operator  $T$  on  $C_0(X)$  which is dominated by a finite rank operator, is weakly compact.  
(Actually, its adjoint  $T'$  is dominated by a finite rank operator as well, hence it maps the unit ball in an order interval. It follows that  $T'$  is weakly compact hence so is  $T$ .)

(c) Stronger results than Thm.2.9 will be proved in Chapter C-III. Actually, assuming only that  $s(A)$  is a pole of finite algebraic multiplicity one can show that  $\sigma_b(A)$  contains only poles of finite multiplicity (C-III, Thm.3.13). In C-III, Cor.2.12 we will show that  $\sigma_b(A)$  is cyclic whenever  $s(A)$  is a pole of the resolvent.

(d) Example 2.14 (b) can be extended to systems of functional differential equations even the infinite dimensional case. For details we refer to Sec.3 of Chapter B-IV.