

Unbounded Scalar Operators on Banach Lattices

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Abstract

We show that a (possibly unbounded) linear operator, T , is scalar on the real line (spectral operator of scalar type, with real spectrum) if and only if (iT) generates a uniformly bounded semigroup and $(1-iT)(1+iT)^{-1}$ is scalar on the unit circle. T is scalar on $[0, \infty)$ if and only if T generates a uniformly bounded semigroup and $(1+T)^{-1}$ is scalar on $[0, 1)$. By analogy with these results, we define C^0 -scalar, on the real line, or $[0, \infty)$, for an unbounded operator. We show that a generator of a positive-definite group is C^0 -scalar on the real line, and a generator of a completely monotone semigroup is C^0 -scalar on $[0, \infty)$. We give sufficient conditions for a closed operator, T , to generate a positive-definite group: the sequence $\langle \phi(T^n x) \rangle_{n=0}^{\infty}$ must equal the moments of a positive measure on the real line, for sufficiently many positive ϕ in X^* , x in X . If the measures are supported on $[0, \infty)$, then T generates a completely monotone semigroup. On a reflexive Banach lattice, these conditions are also necessary, and are equivalent to T being scalar, with positive projection-valued measure. T generates a completely monotone semigroup if and only if T is positive and m -dispersive and generates a bounded holomorphic semigroup.

1. Introduction

Scalar operators (spectral operators of scalar type) are a generalization, to arbitrary Banach spaces, of self-adjoint operators on a Hilbert space. The theory of spectral operators was initiated by Dunford ([6]).

There is a shortage of usable sufficient conditions on an operator that guarantee it will be scalar (unless we're on a Hilbert space). The following result is due to Bark-

son ([3]): a bounded operator, T , on a reflexive Banach space, is scalar on the real line if and only if there exists an equivalent norm with respect to which T^n is Hermitian, for all n . In [7] and [8], Kantorovitz gives sufficient conditions for a (possibly unbounded) generator on a reflexive Banach space to be scalar.

When T is a bounded scalar operator, it has a *functional calculus*, that is, a continuous algebra homomorphism, A , from the space of bounded Borel measurable functions, defined on the spectrum of T , into the space of bounded operators, with $Af_0=I$, $Af_1=T$, where $f_0(t)\equiv 1$, $f_1(t)\equiv t$. For example, when T is multiplication by a function h , on a space of functions, then Af is multiplication by f composed with h .

A bounded C^0 -scalar operator is one that has a functional calculus defined for functions continuous on its spectrum. We extend the definition to unbounded operators (Definition 3.2). The previous paragraph shows that any scalar operator is C^0 -scalar. When we're on a reflexive space, the converse is also true. An example of a C^0 -scalar operator that is not scalar is multiplication by f_1 , on $C[0,1]$.

Many results in operator theory involve the rate of growth of $\|T^n x\|$, as n goes to ∞ . When x is an *analytic vector* for T , that is, $\sum \frac{s^n}{n!} \|T^n x\|$ is finite, for some $s > 0$, then $e^{isT}x = \sum \frac{(is)^n}{n!} T^n x$ defines a 1-parameter group generated by T . When T is a symmetric operator on a Hilbert space, the group is unitary. Nelson, in 1959, ([10]) first showed that, if T is symmetric and has a dense set of analytic elements, then the closure of T is self-adjoint.

A short proof of Nelson's result (see [4]) uses merely the fact, well-known from complex analysis, that if f is an analytic function on the real line, and $f^{(k)}(0)=0$, for all natural number k , then $f(t)=0$, for all real t . A generalization of analytic is *quasi-analytic*. A sequence of positive numbers $\{M_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ is quasi-analytic if, whenever $f^{(k)}(0)=0$, $\|f^{(k)}\|_{\infty} \leq M_k$, for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$, then $f(t)=0$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$. The Denjoy-Carleman theorem ([13], p.412) says that $\{M_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ is quasi-analytic if and only if $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\inf_{k \leq n} M_k^{-1/k} \right) = \infty$.

Quasi-analytic vectors were introduced by Nussbaum [11]. A vector $x \in C^{\infty}(A)$ is a *quasi-analytic vector* for A if $\{\|A^n x\|\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ is a quasi-analytic sequence. Nussbaum showed that when A is symmetric and closed on a Hilbert space, and has a dense set of quasi-analytic vectors, then A is self-adjoint. Chernoff [4], showed that if a closed operator on a Banach space has an m -accretive extension (possibly on a larger space)

and a dense set of quasi-analytic vectors, then the operator is m -accretive. It is not known if every accretive operator has an m -accretive extension (possibly on a larger space).

A sequence satisfies a *Stieltjes* growth condition if $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\inf_{k \leq n} M_k^{-1/2k} \right) = \infty$.

The vector $x \in C^{\infty}(A)$ is a *Stieltjes vector* if $\{\|A^n x\|\}$ satisfies a Stieltjes growth condition. Chernoff [4] showed that if A is closed and has an extension that generates a bounded holomorphic semigroup, and has a dense set of Stieltjes vectors, then A generates a bounded holomorphic semigroup.

The *moment problem*, from classical analysis, asks the following question: for which sequences $\{a_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ does there exist a positive measure μ such that $a_n = \int_{\mathbb{R}} t^n d\mu(t)$ for all n ? We will present preliminary material on this in Section 3.

The moment problem is closely connected to the spectral theorem. In [12], p. 145, the spectral theorem is used to prove that a sequence is positive-definite if and only if it equals the moments of a positive measure on the real line. Uniqueness, when the sequence is quasi-analytic, follows from the fact that a symmetric operator with a dense set of quasi-analytic vectors is self-adjoint. Proofs of the spectral theorem, using moment theory, have been given, for example, by Akhiezer ([1]), and Schaefer ([14]).

This paper uses moment theory to derive sufficient conditions for a (possibly unbounded) operator to be C^0 -scalar, with appropriate growth conditions (quasi-analytic or Stieltjes vectors) (Propositions 3.7 and 3.8, and Theorems 3.18~21). On a reflexive Banach lattice (Section 4), we get numerous necessary and sufficient conditions for an operator to be scalar, with positive projection-valued measure.

We have a good reason for focusing on Banach lattices, when discussing scalar, or C^0 -scalar operators. In a future paper, we will show that when X is cyclic, with respect to a C^0 -scalar operator, then there exists an ordering on X , and an equivalent norm, with respect to which X is a Banach lattice. With respect to this ordering, T generates a positive-definite group or a completely monotone semigroup (Definitions 3.5 and 3.6; also see Propositions 3.7 and 3.8 and Section 4). Thus, when T is scalar on X , X is "locally" a Banach lattice, and T "locally" has a positive projection-valued measure.

All operators are linear, on a Banach space (usually called " X "). $B(X)$ is the Banach algebra of all bounded linear operators on X .

2. Scalar Operators and Accretive Operators

We characterize unbounded scalar operators in terms of their resolvents existing and being scalar. Preliminaries on accretive operators may be found in [12], Section 10.8. Preliminaries on scalar operators may be found in [5] or [6].

Definition 2.1. A function, E , from the set of Borel measurable subsets of A , a Borel subset of the complex plane, into the set of projections on X , is a *projection-valued measure on A* if the following hold.

- (1) $E(A) = I$.
- (2) $E(B \cap C) = E(B)E(C)$, \forall Borel sets B and C .
- (3) $\exists M < \infty \Rightarrow \|E(B)\| < M$, \forall sets B .
- (4) $\forall x \in X$, E_x , defined by $E_x(B) \equiv E(B)x$, is a vector-valued measure, that is, if $\langle B_n \rangle$ is a disjoint sequence of Borel sets, then $E_x(\cup B_n) = \sum_n E_x(B_n)$ with the series converging in norm.

Note that, for any $\phi \in X^*$, $x \in X$, $E_{x,\phi}$, defined by $E_{x,\phi}(B) \equiv \phi(E(B)x)$, is a complex-valued measure.

Definition 2.2. A bounded operator, T , is *scalar on A* if \exists a projection-valued measure, E on A , \ni

$$Tx = \int_A t dE_x(t), \quad \forall x \in X.$$

E is called the *projection-valued measure for T* . E is supported on the spectrum of T .

Definition 2.3. $D(T) \equiv$ domain of the operator T . $C^\infty(T) \equiv \bigcap_{n=0}^\infty D(T^n)$. \bar{T} is the closure of T . $D \subseteq D(T)$ is a *core* for T if $S \equiv T|_D$, T restricted to D , is $\ni \bar{S} = \bar{T}$.

Definition 2.4. A (possibly unbounded) operator, T , is *scalar on \mathcal{R}* if \exists a projection-valued measure, E , \ni

$$D(T) \equiv \{x \mid \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-n}^n t dE_x(t) \text{ exists}\},$$

with

$$T_x \equiv \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-n}^n t dE_x(t).$$

T is automatically closed.

We get a functional calculus for T : if f is a bounded, Borel measurable function on the spectrum of T , then $f(T)$, defined by

$$f(T)x \equiv \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-n}^n f(t) dE_x(t)$$

is a bounded operator. The map $f \mapsto f(T)$ is a continuous algebra homomorphism, that is, $f g(T) = f(T) g(T)$ and $\mathcal{M} < \infty \Rightarrow \|f(T)\| \leq M \|f\|_\infty$, $\forall f$, with the supremum taken over the spectrum of T .

T is scalar on $[0, \infty)$ if T is scalar on \mathbf{R} , and

$$Tx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^n t dE_x(t) \quad \forall x \in D(T).$$

Definition 2.5. T is *m. e. -accretive* if it generates a uniformly bounded semigroup, e^{-sT} , that is, $\mathcal{M} < \infty \Rightarrow \|e^{-sT}\| \leq M$, $\forall s \geq 0$.

T is m. e. -accretive if and only if T is m-accretive with respect to an equivalent norm (let $\|x\| \equiv \sup_{s \geq 0} \|e^{-sT}x\|$).

Theorem 2.6. T is scalar on $[0, \infty)$ if and only if T is m. e. -accretive, with $(1 + T)^{-1}$ scalar on $[0, 1]$.

Proof: Suppose T is scalar on $[0, \infty)$. Let E be the projection-valued measure for T .

$$(*) \quad F(s)x \equiv \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^n e^{-st} dE_x(t)$$

defines a uniformly bounded semigroup $\{F(s)\}_{s \geq 0}$.

We will show that $F(s)$ is generated by T . It is convenient to work with a subspace of T .

Let $D \equiv \{E(A)x \mid x \in X, A \text{ is a bounded Borel subset of } [0, \infty)\}$.

Note that D is a subspace of x , since $E(A)x + E(B)y = E(A \cup B)(E(A)x + E(B)y)$.

We claim: (1) D is a core for T and (2) $\forall x \in D, -Tx = -\frac{d}{ds} F(s)x|_{s=0}$.

To show (1), suppose $x \in D(T)$. For any n , let $x_n \equiv E([0, n])x$. x_n is in D , and $Tx_n = \int_0^n t dE_x(t)$, thus $x_n \rightarrow x$ and $Tx_n \rightarrow Tx$, as desired.

To show (2), suppose A is a bounded Borel subset of $[0, \infty)$. For any x , $T(E(A)x) = \int_A t dE_x(t)$, $F(s)E(A)x = \int_A e^{-st} dE_x(t)$. As a function of t , $\frac{1}{s}(e^{-st} - 1)$ converges uniformly to $(-t)$, on A as $s \rightarrow 0$, because A is bounded. This implies that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s} (F(s)E(A)x - E(A)x) \\
&= \int_A \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{s} (e^{-st} - 1) dE_x(t) = \int_A -t dE_x(t) \\
&= -T(E(A)x) \text{ as claimed.}
\end{aligned}$$

Since T is closed, (1) and (2) above imply that T is m.e.-accretive, and $e^{-sT} = F(s)$ (see*).

Let $g(t) \equiv (1+t)^{-1}$. Define a projection-valued measure, M , on $[0,1]$, by

$$M(A) \equiv E(g^{-1}(A)).$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{For any } x, (1+T)^{-1}x &= \int_0^\infty e^{-s} e^{-sT} x ds \\
&= \int_0^\infty e^{-s} \int_0^\infty e^{-st} dE_x(t) ds \\
&= \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty e^{-s(1+t)} ds dE_x(t) = \int_0^\infty g(t) dE_x(t) \\
&= \int_0^1 w dM_x(w).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus $(1+T)^{-1}$ is scalar on $[0,1]$.

Conversely, suppose T is m.e.-accretive, with $(1+T)^{-1}$ scalar on $[0,1]$.

Let F be the projection-valued measure for $(1+T)^{-1}$.

Define a projection-valued measure, E , by $E(A) \equiv F(g(A))$ ($g(t) \equiv (1+t)^{-1}$).

Let $Rx \equiv \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^n t dE_x(t)$, $\forall x \in DR \equiv \{x \mid \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^n t dE_x(t) \text{ exists}\}$.

By the first half of this proof, R is m.e.-accretive, with $(1+R)^{-1} = g(R) = (1+T)^{-1}$.

Since R and T are m.e.-accretive, and $(1+R)^{-1} = (1+T)^{-1}$, $R=T$, that is, T is scalar on $[0, \infty)$. ///

Essentially the same proof, with the Fourier transform replacing the Laplace transform, gives the following.

Theorem 2.7. T is scalar on the real line if and only if (iT) is m.e.-accretive, with $(1-iT)(1+iT)^{-1}$ scalar on the unit circle in the complex plane.

3. C^0 -Scalar Operators on Banach Lattices

A bounded operator is C^0 -scalar if it has a functional calculus defined for all functions continuous on its spectrum. With the theorems of the previous section in mind, we present definitions for (possibly unbounded) operators to be C^0 -scalar on $[0, \infty)$, or C^0 -scalar on the real line (Definition 3.2).

In this section, we assume that X is a Banach lattice, with positive cone X^+ . Basic material on Banach lattice may be found in [15].

In Definitions 3.5 and 3.6, we define positive-definite and completely monotone operator-valued functions. We show that a generator of a positive-definite group is C^0 -scalar on the real line and a generator of a completely monotone semigroup is C^0 -scalar on $[0, \infty)$ (Propositions 3.7 and 3.8). On a reflexive space, when C^0 -scalar is equivalent to scalar, being such a generator is equivalent to having a positive projection-valued measure (see Section 4). Using the classical analysis of quasi-analytic functions and the moment problem (a summary is given in Definitions 3.12 through 3.17), we present sufficient conditions for an operator to generate a positive-definite group—the sequence $\langle \phi(T^n x) \rangle_{n=0}^\infty$ must be positive-definite for sufficiently many positive ϕ in X^* , x in X . When the sequence equals the moments of a positive measure supported on $[0, \infty]$, then T generates a completely monotone semigroup (see Theorems 3.18~3.21). Converses appear in Section 4. These theorems make no assumptions about the operator being a generator or having any resolvents.

Definition 3.1. If D is a bounded subset of the complex plane, then a bounded operator, T , is C^0 -scalar on D if there exists a continuous algebra homomorphism, A , from $C(D)$ into $B(X)$, such that $A(f_0) = I$, $A(f_1) = T$, where $f_0(z) \equiv 1$, $f_1(z) \equiv z$.

An operator scalar on D is C^0 -scalar on D . When X is reflexive, the converse is also true (see [5]).

There are obvious problems in extending this definition directly to unbounded operators. Motivated by Theorems 2.6 and 2.7, we make the following definitions.

Definition 3.2. A (possibly unbounded) operator, T , is C^0 -scalar on $[0, \infty)$ if T is m. e. -accretive (Definition 2.5) and $(1+T)^{-1}$ is C^0 -scalar on $[0, 1]$.

T is C^0 -scalar on \mathbb{R} if iT is m. e. -accretive and $(1-iT)(1+iT)^{-1}$ is C^0 -scalar on the unit circle.

Definition 3.3. D is a cone if $\alpha x + \beta y \in D$, whenever $x, y \in D$, $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$. $F: D \rightarrow C$ we will call *linear* if $F(\alpha x + \beta y) = \alpha F(x) + \beta F(y)$, for $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$, $x, y \in D$; we will use the analogous definition for bilinear.

The following technical lemma is an elementary application of facts about Banach lattices.

Lemma 3.4. Suppose D is a cone dense in X^+ .

(a) Suppose $F: D \times (X^*)^+ \rightarrow C$ is bilinear, and $|F(x, \phi)| \leq \|\phi\| \|x\|$, $\forall (x, \phi) \in D \times (X^*)^+$.

Then $\exists!$ bounded $T: X \rightarrow X^{**} \ni (Tx)(\phi) = F(x, \phi)$, $\forall (x, \phi) \in D \times (X^*)^+$. $\|T\| \leq 16$.

(b) If $T \in B(X)$ is $\ni |\phi(Tx)| \leq \|\phi\| \|x\|$, $\forall (x, \phi) \in D \times (X^*)^+$, then $\|T\| \leq 16$.

Definition 3.5. $F: R \rightarrow B(X)$ is *positive-definite* if, for any finite sequence $\langle \alpha_i \rangle$ of complex numbers, the operator

$$\sum_{k,j} \alpha_k \bar{\alpha}_j F(s_k - s_j)$$

is positive. This is equivalent to saying that, for any positive ϕ, x , the complex-valued function $s \rightarrow \phi(F(s)x)$ is positive-definite.

Definition 3.6. $G: (0, \infty) \rightarrow B(X)$ is *completely monotone* if, for any positive ϕ, x , the function $s \rightarrow \phi(G(s)x)$ is completely monotone, that is, for any $n, s > 0$, $\frac{d^n}{ds^n} \phi(G(s)x)$ exists, and

$$(-1)^n \frac{d^n}{ds^n} \phi(G(s)x) \geq 0.$$

Proposition 3.7. If T generates a positive-definite group e^{-itT} , then T is C^0 -scalar on R .

Proof: For any positive ϕ, x , by Bochner's theorem, there exists a unique positive finite measure $E_{x,\phi}$, so that, for s real.

$$(*) \quad \phi(e^{-ist}x) = \int_R e^{-ist} dE_{x,\phi}(t).$$

By Lemma 3.4 and elementary estimates, iT and $(-iT)$ are m.e.-accretive.

Let $g(t) \equiv (1-it)(1+it)^{-1}$, $S \equiv g(T) \equiv (1-iT)(1+iT)^{-1}$. I claim that, for any integer k , $\phi \in (X^*)^+$, $x \in C^\infty(T) \cap X^+$,

$$(**) \quad \phi(S^k x) = \int_R [g(t)]^k dE_{x,\phi}(t).$$

The calculation follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \phi(S^k x) &= \phi(I - 2iT(1+iT)^{-1})_x^k \\
 &= \sum_{m=0}^k \binom{k}{m} (-2i)^m \phi(T^m(1+iT)_x^{-m}) \\
 &= \sum_{m=0}^k \binom{k}{m} \frac{(-2i)^m}{(m-1)!} \int_0^\infty s^{m-1} e^{-s} \phi(T^m e^{-isT} x) ds \\
 &= \sum_{m=0}^k \binom{k}{m} \frac{(-2i)^m}{(m-1)!} \int_0^\infty s^{m-1} e^{-s} \left[\frac{-id}{ds} \right]^m \phi(e^{-isT} x) ds \\
 &= \sum_{m=0}^k \binom{k}{m} \frac{(-2i)^m}{(m-1)!} \int_0^\infty s^{m-1} e^{-s} \int_R t^m e^{-it} dE_{x,\uparrow}(t) ds \quad (\text{by } *) \\
 &= \sum_{m=0}^k \binom{k}{m} \int_R \frac{(-2it)^m}{(m-1)!} \int_0^\infty s^{m-1} e^{-s(1+it)} ds dE_{x,\uparrow}(t) \\
 &= \int_R \sum_{m=0}^k \binom{k}{m} \frac{(-2it)^m}{(1+it)^m} dE_{x,\uparrow}(t) \\
 &= \int_R [g(t)]^k dE_{x,\uparrow}(t), \text{ as claimed.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Let T be the unit circle, in the complex plane, and let p be any polynomial, in z and $\frac{1}{z}$, on T .

By (**), we have

$$(***) \quad \phi(p(S)x) = \int_T p(w) dE_{x,\uparrow}(g^{-1}(w)),$$

for any $\phi \in (X^*)^+$, $x \in C^\infty(T) \cap X^+$.

To apply Lemma 3.4, we need to show that $C^\infty(T) \cap X^+$ is dense in X^+ .

To do this, define, for any x , $A_n x$, by

$$A_n x \equiv \sqrt{\frac{n}{\pi}} \int_R e^{-ns^2} e^{-isT} x ds.$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned}
 e^{-irT} A_n x &= \sqrt{\frac{n}{\pi}} \int_R e^{-ns^2} e^{-i(s+r)T} x ds \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{n}{\pi}} \int_R e^{-n(w-r)^2} e^{-iwT} x dw, \text{ a } C^\infty\text{-function of } r, A_n x \in C^\infty(T),
 \end{aligned}$$

for any n, x .

For ϕ, x positive, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(A_n x) &= \sqrt{\frac{n}{H}} \int_R e^{-ns^2} \int_R e^{-ist} dE_{x,t}(t) ds \\ &= \int_R \sqrt{\frac{n}{H}} \int_R e^{-ns^2} e^{-ist} ds dE_{x,t}(t) \\ &= \int_R e^{-t^2/n} dE_{x,t}(t).\end{aligned}$$

Thus $A_n x$ is positive whenever x is. This calculation also shows that, by monotone convergence, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi(A_n x) = \phi(x)$, for all positive ϕ, x .

Thus $\{A_n x | x \in X^+, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is weakly dense in X^+ ; since X^+ is convex, the set is also strongly dense.

Thus $\{A_n x | x \in X^+, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is contained in $C^\infty(T) \cap X^+$, and is dense in X^+ .

By (***) , we have, for $\phi \in (X^*)^+, x \in C^\infty(T) \cap X^+, p$ any polynomial in z and $\frac{1}{z}$, $|\phi(p(S)x)| \leq \|p\|_\infty E_{x,t}(R) = \|p\|_\infty \phi(x) \leq \|p\|_\infty \|\phi\| \|x\|$.

By Lemma 3.4, $\|p(S)\| \leq 16\|p\|_\infty$.

Since the set of all polynomials in z and $\frac{1}{z}$ is dense in $C(T)$, the map $p \rightarrow p(S)$ extends uniquely from the polynomials to a continuous algebra homomorphism from $C(T)$ into $B(X)$.

Thus S is C^0 -scalar on T , so that T is C^0 -scalar on \mathcal{R} . ///

Proposition 3.8. If T generates a completely monotone semigroup e^{-sT} , then T is C^0 -scalar on $[0, \infty)$.

Proof: Let $g(t) \equiv (1+t)^{-1}$, $S \equiv g(T) \equiv (1+T)^{-1}$. If ϕ, x are positive, then by Bernstein's theorem, $\exists!$ positive measure $E_{x,t} \ni$

$$(*) \quad \phi(e^{-sT}x) = \int_0^\infty e^{-st} dE_{x,t}(t), \quad \forall s > 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Note that, by monotone convergence, } E_{x,t}[0, \infty) &= \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \int_0^\infty e^{-st} dE_{x,t}(t) \\ &= \phi \left[\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} (e^{-sT}x) \right] = \phi(x).\end{aligned}$$

Thus $E_{x,t}$ is finite, for all positive x, ϕ .

As in the proof of the previous proposition, we calculate that

$$\phi(S^n x) = \int_0^\infty [g(t)]^n dE_{x,t}(t),$$

for all nonnegative integers n , so that

$$\phi(p(S)x) = \int_0^1 p(w) dE_{x,t}(g^{-1}(w)),$$

for any polynomial on $[0,1]$, x, ϕ positive.

As in the previous proposition, it follows that S is C^0 -scalar on $[0,1]$, so that T is C^0 -scalar on $[0, \infty)$. ///

Definition 3.9. Suppose T is an operator on X and S is an operator on Y . We define S to be an *extension* of T if \exists an embedding, A , of X in Y ($A: X \rightarrow Y$ is one-to-one and bicontinuous) $\ni A(D(T)) \subseteq D(S)$, and $A(Tx) = S(Ax)$, $\forall x \in D(T)$.

Lemma 3.10. Suppose T is a densely defined operator on X and D is a core for T .

(a) If \exists a uniformly bounded family $\{F(s) | s \text{ is real}\}$ of operators from $X \rightarrow X^{**}$, $\ni \forall x \in D$, $F(s)x$ is differentiable, with

$$\frac{d}{ds} F(s)x = iF(s)Tx, \text{ and } F(0) = I,$$

then \bar{T} has an extension, \tilde{T} , $\ni \pm i\tilde{T}$ is m -accretive.

(b) If \exists a uniformly bounded family $\{G(z) | \operatorname{Re}(z) \geq 0\}$ of operators from $X \rightarrow X^{**}$, $\ni \forall x \in D$, $G(z)x$ is analytic with

$$\frac{d}{dz} G(z)x = -G(z)Tx, \text{ } G(0) = I,$$

then \bar{T} has an extension that generates a uniformly bounded holomorphic semigroup.

Proof: (a) Let $Z \equiv \{\text{bounded continuous } f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow X^{**}\}$, $Y \equiv \{\text{uniformly continuous } f \in Z\}$, with $\|f\| \equiv \sup_{s \in \mathbb{R}} \|f(s)\|$.

Define $A: X \rightarrow Z$ by

$$(Ax)(s) \equiv F(s)x.$$

This embeds X in Z ; we claim that A embeds X in Y .

If $x \in D$, the Ax is differentiable, with $\|\frac{d}{ds} Ax\| \leq (\sup_{s \in \mathbb{R}} \|F(s)\|) \|Tx\|$.

Since Ax has a uniformly bounded derivative, $(Ax) \in Y$.

Thus $A(D) \subseteq Y$; since A is continuous, and D is dense in X , $A(X) \subseteq Y$, proving the claim.

Note that $A(Tx) = i \frac{d}{ds} Ax$. Letting $\tilde{T} \equiv i \frac{d}{ds}$, on Y , we have that $\pm i\tilde{T}$ is m -accretive.

(b) Let $H \equiv \{x \in C | \operatorname{Re}(z) \geq 0\}$, $Y \equiv \{\text{bounded uniformly continuous analytic } f: H \rightarrow X^{**}\}$.

This proof is identical to the proof of (a).

Example 3.11. Let $X \equiv C_0[0, 1]$, $A \equiv -i \frac{d}{dx}$, with $D(A) \equiv \{ \text{differentiable } f \in C_0[0, 1] \mid f' \in C_0[0, 1] \}$.

Let $F(s) \equiv$ translation group, $(F(s)f)(x) \equiv f(s+x)$.

A and $\{F(s)\}$ satisfy the hypothesis of Lemma 3.10, but $i\bar{A}$ is not m -accretive. ///

In the next six definitions, we list some results from classical analysis, along with some recent applications to operator theory.

Definition 3.12. A sequence $\langle M_n \rangle_{n=0}^\infty$ of positive numbers is *quasi-analytic* if:

$$\{ \|f^{(k)}\|_\infty \leq M_k, f^{(k)}(0) = 0, \forall k \} \text{ implies that } f(t) = 0, \forall \text{ real } t.$$

$$\langle M_n \rangle_{n=0}^\infty \text{ is quasi-analytic if and only if } \sum_{n=0}^\infty \left(\inf_{k \leq n} M_k^{-1/k} \right) = \infty.$$

(Denjoy-Carleman theorem, [13], p.412).

A vector $x \in C^\infty(T)$ is a *quasi-analytic vector* if $\langle \|T^n x\| \rangle_{n=0}^\infty$ is quasi-analytic.

$$Dq(T) \equiv \{ \text{quasi-analytic vectors for } T \}.$$

If T has an $m.e.$ -accretive extension, and $Dq(T)$ is dense in X , then \bar{T} is $m.e.$ -accretive (see [4]). The same argument used in [4] shows that it's sufficient to have $Dq(T) \cap X^+$ dense in X^+ .

Definition 3.13. A sequence $\langle M_n \rangle_{n=0}^\infty$ of positive numbers satisfies a *Stieltjes growth condition* if

$$\sum_{n=0}^\infty \left(\inf_{k \leq n} M_k^{-1/2k} \right) = \infty.$$

Let $U \equiv \{ z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \text{Im}(z) > 0 \}$. If $\{ f^{(k)} \in H^\infty(U), \|f^{(k)}\|_\infty \leq M_k, f^{(k)}(0) = 0, \forall k \}$ and $\langle M_k \rangle$ satisfies a Stieltjes growth condition, then $f(z) = 0, \forall z \in U$ (see [9]). A vector $x \in C^\infty(T)$ is a *Stieltjes vector* if $\langle \|T^n x\| \rangle_{n=0}^\infty$ satisfies a Stieltjes growth condition.

$$D_s(T) \equiv \{ \text{Stieltjes vectors for } T \}.$$

If T has an extension that generates a bounded holomorphic semigroup and $D_s(T) \cap X^+$ is dense in X^+ , then \bar{T} generates a bounded holomorphic semigroup (see [4]).

Definition 3.14. A vector $x \in C^\infty(T)$ is an *analytic vector* if $\exists M, K$ so that

$$\|T^n x\| \leq KM^n(n!), \quad \forall n.$$

A vector $x \in C^\infty(T)$ is a *semi-analytic vector* if

$$\|T^n x\| \leq KM^n(2n)!, \quad \forall n$$

$$D_a(T) \equiv \{\text{analytic vectors for } T\}$$

$$D_{s,a}(T) \equiv \{\text{semi-analytic vectors for } T\}.$$

We have the following relationships between these growth conditions.

$$\begin{array}{l} D_a(T) \subseteq D_q(T) \\ \cap \qquad \qquad \cap \\ D_{s,a}(T) \subseteq D_s(T). \end{array}$$

Definition 3.15. A sequence $\langle a_n \rangle_{n=0}^\infty$ of real numbers is *positive-definite* if

$$\sum_{k,j} \alpha_k \bar{\alpha}_j a_{k+j} \geq 0,$$

for all finite sequences $\langle \alpha_k \rangle$ of complex numbers.

Definition 3.16. If μ is a measure on the real line, then the set of *moments* of μ , is a sequence $\langle a_n \rangle_{n=0}^\infty \Leftrightarrow$

$$a_n = \int_{\mathbb{R}} t^n d\mu(t) \quad \forall n.$$

The sequence $\langle a_n \rangle_{n=0}^\infty$ is positive-definite if and only if $\langle a_n \rangle$ equals the set of moments of a positive Borel measure on the real line.

If, in addition, $\langle |a_n| \rangle_{n=0}^\infty$ is quasi-analytic, then the positive measure is *unique*. (See [16], and Definition 3.12.)

Definition 3.17. A sequence $\langle a_n \rangle_{n=0}^\infty$ of real numbers satisfies a *Stieltjes moment condition* if and only if

$$\sum_{k,j} \alpha_k \bar{\alpha}_j a_{k+j} \geq 0, \quad \sum_{k,j} \alpha_k \bar{\alpha}_j a_{k+j+1} \geq 0,$$

for all finite sequences $\langle \alpha_k \rangle$ of complex numbers.

A sequence $\langle a_n \rangle_{n=0}^{\infty}$ satisfies a Stieltjes moment condition if and only if $\langle a_n \rangle$ equals the set of moments of a positive Borel measure supported on $[0, \infty)$.

If, in addition, $\langle a_n \rangle_{n=0}^{\infty}$ satisfies a Stieltjes growth condition, then the positive measure is unique (see [16] and Definition 3.13).

The following theorems present sufficient conditions for an operator to generate a positive-definite group, or a completely monotone semigroup (see Proposition 3.7 and 3.8).

Theorem 3.18. Suppose $D \subseteq X^+ \cap D_s(T)$ has the following properties:

- (1) D is dense in X^+ .
- (2) The sequence $\langle \phi(T^n x) \rangle_{n=0}^{\infty}$ satisfies a Stieltjes moment condition, $\forall \phi \in (X^*)^+$, $x \in D$.
- (3) $\text{Span}(D)$ is a core for T .
- (4) D is convex.

Then \bar{T} generates a completely monotone semigroup.

Proof: By (2), for any $(x, \phi) \in D_x(X^*)^+$, $\exists!$ (since $x \in D_s(T)$) positive measure $E_{x, \phi} \equiv$ (see Definition 3.17).

$$(*) \quad \phi(T^n x) = \int_0^{\infty} t^n dE_{x, \phi}(t), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

When $x \in D_s(T)$ and $\alpha > 0$, then αx and Tx are in $D_s(T)$. Thus, by hypothesis (4), we may assume that D is a cone, and $T(D) \subseteq D$.

Note that, by uniqueness of the positive measure in (*), $E_{Tx, \phi}(t) = tE_{x, \phi}(t)$, $E_{x, \phi} + E_{x, \psi} = E_{x, \phi + \psi}$, and $E_{x, \phi} + E_{y, \psi} = E_{x+y, \phi + \psi}$, for $\phi, \psi \in (X^*)^+$, $x, y \in D$.

This means that, if $\text{Re}(z) > 0$, $G(z)$, from X to X^{**} , may be defined, using Lemma 3.4, by

$$(**) \quad (G(z)x)(\phi) \equiv \int_0^{\infty} e^{-zt} dE_{x, \phi}(t)$$

for any $(x, \phi) \in D_x(X^*)^+$.

Since $|(G(z)x)(\phi)| \leq E_{x, \phi}([0, \infty)) = \phi(x) \leq \|\phi\| \|x\|$, $\{G(z) \mid \text{Re}(z) > 0\}$ is a uniformly bounded family of operators.

To apply Lemma 3.10(b), we must verify that the map $z \rightarrow G(z)x$ is analytic, for all $x \in D$, and that

$$(***) \quad -\frac{d}{dz} G(z)x = -G(z)Tx.$$

The calculation follows.

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left(\frac{1}{h} (G(z+h)x - G(z)x) + G(z)Tx \right) (\phi) \right| \\ &= \left| \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{h} (e^{-(z+h)t} - e^{-zt}) dE_{x,\dagger}(t) + \int_0^\infty e^{-zt} dE_{Tx,\dagger}(t) \right| \\ &= \left| \int_0^\infty \left[\frac{e^{-ht} - 1}{h} - t \right] e^{-zt} dE_{x,\dagger}(t) \right| \\ &\leq \int_0^\infty ht^2 dE_{x,\dagger}(t), \text{ by the mean-value theorem, applied twice,} \\ &= h\phi(T^2x) \leq h\|\phi\| \|T^2x\|. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\|\frac{1}{h}(G(z+h)x - G(z)x) + G(z)Tx\| \leq h\|T^2x\|$, $\forall h > 0$, proving (***) .

By Lemma 3.10(b), T has an extension that generates a uniformly bounded holomorphic semigroup. By hypothesis (1) of this theorem, \bar{T} generates a uniformly bounded holomorphic semigroup. (See Definition 3.13.) By (***) , $G(z) = e^{-zT}$.

To see that $G(z)$ is completely monotone, fix $k \in \mathbb{N}$. If $x \in D$, then, for $\phi \in (X^*)^+$, $(-1)^k \frac{d^k}{ds^k} \phi(G(s)x) = \int_0^\infty t^k e^{-st} dE_{x,\dagger}(t) \geq 0$, by (**). Since $G(z)$ is holomorphic, $T^k G(s)$ is a bounded operator, $\forall s > 0$, and $(-1)^k \frac{d^k}{ds^k} G(s)x = T^k G(s)x$, $\forall x \in X$. Since D is dense in X^+ , and $T^k G(s)x$ is positive, $\forall x \in D$, $T^k G(s)x$ is positive $\forall x \in X^+$, so that $(-1)^k \frac{d^k}{ds^k} \phi(G(s)x) \geq 0$, for all positive ϕ, x as desired. This concludes the proof of the theorem. ///

Since $D_{s,a}(T)$ (see Definition 3.14.), unlike $D_s(T)$, is always a vector space, we may remove convexity as a hypothesis in the following.

Theorem 3.19. Suppose $D \subseteq X^+ \cap D_{s,a}(T)$ has the following properties.

- (1) D is dense in X^+ .
- (2) $\langle \phi(T^n x) \rangle_{n=0}^\infty$ satisfies a Stieltjes moment condition, $\forall (x, \phi) \in D \times (X^*)^+$.
- (3) $\text{span}(D)$ is a core for T .

Then \bar{T} generates a completely monotone semigroup.

Theorem 3.20. Suppose $D \subseteq X^+ \cap D_q(T)$ has the following properties.

- (1) D is dense in X^+ .
- (2) The sequence $\langle \phi(T^n x) \rangle_{n=0}^\infty$ is positive-definite, $\forall \phi \in (X^*)^+$, $x \in D$.
- (3) $\text{span}(D)$ is a core for T .
- (4) D is convex.

Then \bar{T} generates a positive-definite group $e^{-t\bar{T}}$.

Proof: The major difference between this proof and the proof of Theorem 3.18. is that $T(D)$ is not contained in D . Thus, to apply Lemma 3.10(a), more care is required in constructing the family of operators $\{F(s) | s \text{ is real}\}$.

Let $P^+ \equiv \{ \text{real-valued polynomials, } p | p(t) \geq 0 \forall \text{ real } t \}$.

Using Zorn's lemma, choose $C \subseteq D \ni (x, y \in C, x \neq y)$ implies that $\{p(T)x | p \in P^+\}$ is disjoint from $\{p(T)y | p \in P^+\}$, and $D \subseteq \{p(T)x | p \in P^+, x \in C\}$.

If $(x, \phi) \in Cx(X^*)^+$, then by hypothesis (2), $\exists!$ (since $x \in Dq(T)$) positive measure $E_{x, \phi} \ni$ (see Definition 3.16.)

$$\phi(T^n x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} t^n dE_{x, \phi}(t) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

As in the proof of Theorem 3.18, for any real s , $F(s)$, from X to X^{**} , may be defined by

$$((*) \quad (F(s))p(T)x)(\phi) \equiv \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-ist} p(t) dE_{x, \phi}(t)$$

for $(x, \phi) \in Cx(X^*)^+$, p any polynomial.

As in Theorem 3.18, $\{F(s) | s \text{ is real}\}$ is uniformly bounded, and $\forall x \in D$, the function $s \rightarrow F(s)x$ is differentiable, with

$$(**) \quad \frac{d}{ds} F(s)x = -iF(s)Tx.$$

By Lemma 3.10(a), T has an extension $\tilde{T} \in \pm i\tilde{T}$ is m -accretive. By hypothesis (1) of this theorem, $\pm i\tilde{T}$ is $m.e.$ -accretive. (See Definition 3.12.) By (**), $e^{-i\tilde{T}} = F(s)$.

To verify that $F(s)$ is positive-definite, let $\langle \alpha_k \rangle$ be a finite sequence of complex numbers. By (*), $\sum_{k,j} \alpha_k \bar{\alpha}_j F(s_k - s_j)x$ is positive, $\forall x \in D$. Since D is dense in X^+ , it follows that $\sum \alpha_k \bar{\alpha}_j F(s_k - s_j)$ is a positive operator, as desired. ///

Since $D_a(T)$ (see Definition 3.14.) is a vector space, we get the following.

Theorem 3.21. Suppose $D \subseteq X^+ \cap D_a(T)$ has the following properties.

- (1) D is dense in X^+ .
- (2) The sequence $\langle \phi(T^n x) \rangle_{n=0}^{\infty}$ is positive-definite, $\forall \phi \in (X^*)^+, x \in D$.
- (3) $\text{span}(D)$ is a core for T .

Then \bar{T} generates a positive-definite semigroup $e^{-i\tilde{T}}$.

4. Scalar Operators on Reflexive Banach Lattices

In this section, we assume that X is a reflexive Banach lattice, and derive numerous equivalent characterizations of operators scalar on $[0, \infty)$, or the real line, with positive projection-valued measure.

Corollary 4.5. is a generalization of Bernstein's theorem and Bochner's theorem to operator-valued functions.

Definition 4.1. T is *m-dispersive* if T is *m-accretive*, and e^{-sT} is a positive operator, for all $s \geq 0$.

We need an appropriate definition for an unbounded operator being positive.

Definition 4.2. T is *positive* if $D(T) \cap X^+$ is dense in X^+ , and $\forall x \in D(T) \cap X^+$, $(Tx) \in X^+$.

Definition 4.3. Suppose X is a reflexive Banach lattice. The following are equivalent.

- (1) T generates a completely monotone semigroup.
- (2) T is scalar on $[0, \infty)$, with positive projection-valued measure.
- (3) T is closed, and $\exists D \subseteq D_{\alpha}(T) \cap X^+ \ni \text{span}(D)$ is a core for T , $\bar{D} = X^+$, and $\langle \phi(T^n x) \rangle_{n=0}^{\infty}$ satisfies a Stieltjes moment condition $\forall \phi \in (X^*)^+$, $x \in D$.
- (4) T is positive and *m-dispersive* and generates a bounded holomorphic semigroup.

Proof: (1) \rightarrow (2). In Proposition 3.8, we showed that T is C^0 -scalar on $[0, \infty)$. Since X is reflexive, T is scalar on $[0, \infty)$. Let E be the projection-valued measure for T .

As in (*) of the proof of Theorem 2.6, e^{-sT} is given by

$$(*) \quad e^{-sT}x = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} dE_x(t).$$

For positive ϕ, x , we thus have

$$\phi(e^{-sT}x) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} dE_{x,t}(t);$$

since $s \rightarrow \phi(e^{-sT}x)$ is completely monotone, $E_{x,t}$ is a positive measure. Thus E is a positive projection-valued measure.

(2) \rightarrow (1). Let E be the projection-valued measure for T . $(-1)^n \frac{d^n}{ds^n} \phi(e^{-sT}x) = \int_0^{\infty} t^n e^{-st} dE_{x,t}(t)$ (see (*) in (1) \rightarrow (2)), which is nonnegative, $\forall n$, whenever x and ϕ are posi-

tive, because E is positive. Thus e^{-tT} is completely monotone.

(3)→(1) is Theorem 3.19 (see Definition 3.14).

(1)→(4). (1) obviously implies that T is m -dispersive. (1) implies (2), which implies that T is positive and generates a bounded holomorphic semigroup $e^{-tT}x \equiv \int_0^\infty e^{-st} dE_s(t)$, where $\operatorname{Re}(z) > 0$.

(4)→(1). Suppose $x \in X^+$. Since T generates a bounded holomorphic semigroup, $e^{-tT}x \in C^\infty(T)$, $\forall s > 0$. Since T is m -dispersive, $e^{-tT}x \in X^+$. Thus, for any n , $(-1)^n \frac{d^n}{ds^n}(e^{-tT}x) = T^n(e^{-tT}x)$ is positive.

(2)→(3). Let E be the projection-valued measure for T . Let $D \equiv \{E(A)x \mid x \in X^+, A \text{ is a bounded Borel subset of } [0, \infty)\}$.

As in the proof of Theorem 2.6, D is dense in X^+ , and $\operatorname{span}(D)$ is a core for T .

To see that $D \subseteq D_\alpha(T)$, suppose A is a bounded Borel subset of $[0, \infty)$. Let $K \equiv \sup\{x \in A\}$.

$\|T^n(E(A)x)\| = \left\| \int_A t^n dE_s(t) \right\| \leq K^n \|E(A)x\|$, for any $x \in X^+$, so that $E(A)x \in D_\alpha(T)$.

For any positive ϕ , since $E(A)dE_{s,s}(t)$ is a positive measure, for any $x \in X^+$, $\langle \phi(T^n x) \rangle_{\pi=0}$ satisfies a Stieltjes moment condition, $\forall x \in D$. ///

Analogous proofs, with the Fourier transform replacing the Laplace transform, give the following.

Theorem 4.4. Suppose X is a reflexive Banach lattice. The following are equivalent.

- (1) T generates a positive-definite group, e^{-itT} .
- (2) T is scalar on R , with positive projection-valued measure.
- (3) T is closed, and $\exists D \subseteq D_\alpha(T) \cap X^+ \ni \bar{D} = X^+$, $\operatorname{span}(D)$ is a core for T , and $\langle \phi(T^n x) \rangle_{\pi=0}$ is positive-definite, $\forall \phi \in (X^*)^+$, $x \in D$.

The statements and proofs of (1)↔(2), in the preceding theorems, gives the following.

Corollary 4.5. Suppose X is a reflexive Banach lattice.

(a) $F: R \rightarrow B(X)$ is a positive-definite group if and only if F is the Fourier transform of a positive projection-valued measure.

(b) $G: [0, \infty) \rightarrow B(X)$ is a completely monotone semigroup if and only if G is the Laplace transform of a positive projection-valued measure.

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