

Summer Term 2013

Mathematical Physics

2nd Problem sheet

Problem 5

Let \mathcal{H} be a Hilbert space, $A : D(A) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ be a selfadjoint operator and

$$A_\lambda := \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \left((A + i\lambda)^{-1} + (A - i\lambda)^{-1} \right) \quad \text{for all } \lambda \in \mathbb{R}.$$

From the lecture, we know that $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} A_\lambda \varphi = A\varphi$ for all $\varphi \in D(A)$. Moreover the limit

$$U(t)\varphi := \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} e^{-itA_\lambda} \varphi$$

exists for any $\varphi \in \mathcal{H}$ and all $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Prove that for any $\varphi \in D(A)$ and all $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$, we have

a) $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} e^{-itA_\lambda} e^{-isA_\lambda} \varphi = U(t)U(s)\varphi,$

b) $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t e^{-isA_\lambda} A_\lambda \varphi \, ds = \int_0^t U(s)A\varphi \, ds.$

Problem 6

Let \mathcal{H} be a Hilbert space and $H : D(H) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$, $V : D(V) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ be linear operators. Recall that V is said to be *relatively H -bounded* with *bound* $\alpha > 0$ if $D(H) \subset D(V)$ and

$$(1) \quad \|V\varphi\| \leq \alpha \|H\varphi\| + b\|\varphi\| \quad \text{for all } \varphi \in D(H) \text{ with some } b \in (0, \infty).$$

and let $\alpha_0 := \inf\{\alpha > 0 : (1) \text{ holds for some } b \in (0, \infty)\}$.

Show that condition (1) is equivalent to the seemingly stronger condition

$$(2) \quad \|V\varphi\|^2 \leq \tilde{\alpha}^2 \|H\varphi\|^2 + \tilde{b}^2 \|\varphi\|^2 \quad \text{for all } \varphi \in D(H) \text{ with some } \tilde{b} \in (0, \infty),$$

in the sense that for $\alpha_1 := \inf\{\tilde{\alpha} > 0 : (2) \text{ holds for some } \tilde{b} \in (0, \infty)\}$, we have $\alpha_0 = \alpha_1$.

Problem 7

For some real function $f : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, consider the multiplication operator

$$M_f : D(M_f) \rightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R}^d), \quad \psi \mapsto f\psi$$

with domain

$$D(M_f) := \left\{ \psi \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d) : \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f(x)|^2 |\psi(x)|^2 dx < \infty \right\}$$

and prove:

- a) M_f is symmetric.
- b) For any $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$, the operator $R(z) : L^2(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ with

$$R(z)\psi := \frac{1}{f - z}\psi \quad \text{for all } \psi \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$$

is bounded. $R(z)$ is called the *resolvent* of M_f in $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$.

- c) $\text{Ran } R(z) \subset D(M_f)$ for any $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$.
- d) M_f is selfadjoint.

Hint for d): Determine $\text{Ran } (M_f \pm i)$.