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# PERTURBATION OF INFINITESIMAL GENERATOR IN SEMIGROUP OF LINEAR OPERATOR

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Abstract: This paper consists of results on contraction semigroups thereby considering  $\omega$ -order reversing partial contraction mapping (semigroup of linear operator) as the infinitesimal generator of the semigroup on perturbation by bounded linear operators which we will show that the addition of a bounded linear operator B to an infinitesimal generator A of a semigroup of linear operator does not destroy the property of A.

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## 1. Introduction

Let X be a Banach space,  $X_n \subseteq X$  be a finite set,  $(T(t))_{t\geq 0}$  the  $C_0$ -semigroup,  $\omega - ORCP_n$  be  $\omega$ -order-reversing partial contraction mapping which is an example of  $C_0$ -semigroup,  $\omega - ORCP_n \subseteq ORCP_n$  (Order Reversing Partial Contraction Mapping). Let  $M_m(\mathbb{N} \cup 0)$  be a matrix, L(X) the bounded linear operator in X,  $P_n$ , the partial transformation semigroup,  $\rho(A)$  a resolvent of A, where A is the infinitesimal generator of a semigroup of linear operator and F(x) be a duality mapping on X. This paper consist of results on analytic and contraction in perturbation of bounded linear operator.

Balakrishnan [1], obtained an operator calculus for infinitesimal generators of semigroup. Beurling [3], deduced some analytic extension of semigroups of operator. Brezis and Cazenave [4], investigated linear semigroup of contractions, the Hille Yosida theory and some applications. Dafermos [5], established contraction semigroups and trends to equilibrium in continuum mechanics. Engel and Nagel [6], obtained one-parameter semigroup for linear evolution equations. Gutman [7], obtained some results on compact perturbation of m-accretive operators in general Banach spaces. Gustafson [8], proved some perturbation lemmas. Kato [9], introduced fractional powers of dissipative operators and also remarks on pseudoresolvent and infinitesimal generators of semigroup (see [10]). Miyadera [11], established perturbation theory of semigroups. Pazy [12], introduced semigroup of linear operators and applications to partial differential equations. Rauf and Akinyele [13], obtained  $\omega$ -order-preserving partial contraction mapping and established its properties, also in [14], Rauf *et.al.* established some results of stability and spectra properties on semigroup of linear operator. Vrabie [15], deduced some results of  $C_0$ -semigroup and its applications. Yosida [16], established and proved some results on differentiability and representation of one-parameter semigroup of linear operators.

## 2. Preliminaries

## **Definition 2.1** ( $C_0$ -Semigroup) [15]

A  $C_0$ -Semigroup is a strongly continuous one parameter semigroup of bounded linear operator on Banach space.

## **Definition 2.2** $(\omega$ - $ORCP_n)$ [13]

A transformation  $\alpha \in P_n$  is called  $\omega$ -order-reversing partial contraction mapping if  $\forall x, y \in Dom\alpha : x \leq y \implies \alpha x \geq \alpha y$  and at least one of its transformation must satisfy  $\alpha y = y$  such that T(t + s) = T(t)T(s) whenever t, s > 0 and otherwise for T(0) = I.

## **Definition 2.3** (Analytic Semigroup) [15]

We say that a  $C_0$ -semigroup  $\{T(t); t \ge 0\}$  is analytic if there exists  $0 < \theta \le \pi$ , and a mapping  $S : \overline{\mathbb{C}}_{\theta} \to L(X)$  such that: (i) T(t) = S(t) for each  $t \ge 0$ ; (ii)  $S(z_1 + z_2) = S(z_1)S(z_2)$  for  $z_1, z_2 \in \overline{\mathbb{C}}_{\theta}$ ; (iii)  $\lim_{z_1 \in \overline{\mathbb{C}}_{\theta}, z_1 \to 0} S(z_1)x = x$  for  $x \in X$ ; and (iv) the mapping  $z_1 \to S(z_1)$  is analytic from  $\overline{\mathbb{C}}_{\theta}$  to L(X). In addition, for each  $0 < \delta < \theta$ , the mapping  $z_1 \to S(z_1)$  is bounded from  $\mathbb{C}_{\delta}$  to L(X), then the  $C_0$ -Semigroup  $\{T(t); t \ge 0\}$  is called analytic and uniformly bounded.

## **Definition 2.4** (Perturbation) [6]

Let  $A : D(A) \subseteq X \to X$  be the generator of a strongly continuous semigroup  $(T(t))_{t\geq 0}$  and consider a second operator  $B : D(B) \subseteq X \to X$  such that the sum A + B generates a strongly continuous semigroup  $(S(t))_{t\geq 0}$ . We say that A is perturbed by operator B or that B is a perturbation of A.

**Definition 2.5** ( $C_0$ -semigroup of contraction)[15]

A C<sub>0</sub>-semigroup  $\{T(t); t \ge 0\}$  is called of type  $(M, \omega)$  with  $M \ge 1$  and  $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$ , if for each  $t \ge 0$ , we have

 $||T(t)||_{L(X)} \le M e^{t\omega}.$ 

A  $C_0$ -semigroup  $\{T(t); t \ge 0\}$  is called a  $C_0$ -semigroup of contraction or non expansive operator, if it is of type (1,0), that is, if for each  $t \ge 0$ , we have  $\|T(t)\|_{L(X)} \le 1$ .

**Definition 2.6** (Compact Semigroup) [6] A  $C_0$ -semigroup is compact if for each t > 0, T(t) is a compact operator.

## **Definition 2.7** (Dissipative)[15]

A linear operator (A, D(A)) is dissipative if each  $x \in X$  there exists  $x^* \in F(x)$ such that  $Re(Ax, x^*) \leq 0$ .

## **Definition 2.8** (m-dissipative)[12]

A dissipative operator A for which R(I - A) = X is called m-dissipative if A is dissipative so is  $\mu A$  for all  $\mu > 0$  and therefore if A is m-dissipative then  $R(\lambda I - A) = X$  for every  $\lambda > 0$ .

**Example 1.**  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $[M_m(\mathbb{C})]$ , we have for each  $\lambda > 0$  such that  $\lambda \in \rho(A)$  where  $\rho(A)$  is a resolvent set on X.

Suppose we have

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

and let  $T(t) = e^{tA_{\lambda}}$ , then

$$e^{tA_{\lambda}} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{3t\lambda} & e^{2t\lambda} & e^{t\lambda} \\ e^{2t\lambda} & e^{2t\lambda} & e^{t\lambda} \\ e^{3t\lambda} & e^{2t\lambda} & e^{2t\lambda} \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Example 2.** Suppose  $A : D(A) \subseteq X \to X$  is an unbounded generator of a strongly continuous semigroup and take an isomorphism  $S \in L(X)$  such that

 $D(A) \cap S(D(A)) = \{0\}$ . Then  $B = SAS^{-1}$  is a generator as well, but A + B is defined only on  $D(A + B) = D(A) \cap D(B) = D(A) \cap S(D(A)) = \{0\}$ . A concrete example for this situation is given on  $X = C_0(\mathbb{R}_+)$  by Af = f' with its canonical domain  $D(A) = C'_0(\mathbb{R}_+)$  and Sf = q.f for some continuous, positive function q such that q and  $q^{-1}$  are bounded and nowhere differentiable. Defining

the operator B as  $Bf = q.(q^1.f)'$  on  $D(B) = \{f \in X : q^{-1}.f \in D(A)\}$ , we obtain that the sum A + B is defined only on  $\{0\}$ .

#### Theorem 2.1. (Hille-Yoshida) [15]

A linear operator  $A : D(A) \subseteq X \to X$  is the infinitesimal generator for a  $C_0$ -semigroup of contraction if and only if

- i. A is densely defined and closed; and
- ii.  $(0, +\infty) \subseteq \rho(A)$  and for each  $\lambda > 0$ , we have

$$\|R(\lambda, A)\|_{L(X)} \le \frac{1}{\lambda}.$$
(2.1)

#### Theorem 2.2. (Lumer-Phillips) [15]

Let  $A : D(A) \subseteq X \to X$  be a densely defined operator. Then A generates a  $C_0$ -semigroup of contractions on X if and only if

- *i.* A is dissipatives; and
- ii. there exists  $\lambda > 0$  such that  $\lambda I A$  is surjective.

Moreover, if A generates a  $C_0$ -semigroup of contractions, then  $\lambda I - A$  is surjective for any  $\lambda > 0$ , and we have  $Re(Ax, x^*) \leq 0$  for each  $x \in D(A)$  and each  $x^* \in F(x)$ .

#### 3. Main Results

In this section, perturbation of infinitesimal generators on contraction semigroups results on  $\omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub> in semigroup of linear operator (C<sub>0</sub>-semigroup) were considered:

**Theorem 3.1.** Let X be a Banach space and A be the infinitesimal generator of a  $C_0$ -semigroup  $\{T(t); t \ge 0\}$  on X such that  $A \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub>, satisfying  $||T(t)|| \le Me^{\omega t}$ . If B is bounded linear operator on X, and  $B \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub>. Then:

i. A + B is the infinitesimal generator of a  $C_0$ -semigroup  $\{T(t); t \ge 0\}$  on X, satisfying  $||S(t)|| \le Me^{(\omega+M||B||)t}$ ; and

ii. there exists a unique family U(t),  $t \ge 0$  of bounded linear operators on Xsuch that  $t \to U(t)$  is continuous on  $[0, \infty]$  for every  $x \in X$  and  $U(t)x = T(t)x + \int_0^t T(t-s)BU(s)xds$  for all  $x \in X$ .

**Proof.** Assume there exists a norm |.| on X such that  $||x|| \leq |x| \leq M ||x||$  for every  $x \in X$ ,  $|T(t)| \leq e^{\omega t}$  and  $|R(\lambda; A)| \leq (\lambda - \omega)^{-1}$  for real  $\lambda$  satisfying  $\lambda > \omega$ . Thus, for  $\lambda > \omega + |B|$ , the bounded linear operator  $BR(\lambda; A)$  satisfies  $|BR(\lambda; A)| < 1$  and therefore  $I - BR(\lambda; A)$  is invertible for  $\lambda > \omega + |B|$ . Let

$$R = R(\lambda; A)(I - BR(\lambda; A))^{-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} R(\lambda; A)[BR(\lambda; A)]^k$$
(3.1)

then,  $(\lambda I - A - B)R = (I - BR(\lambda; A))^{-1} - BR(\lambda; A)(I - BR(\lambda; A))^{-1} = I$  and

$$R(\lambda I - A - B)x = R(\lambda; A)(\lambda I - A - B)x + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} R(\lambda; A)[BR(\lambda; A)]^{k}(\lambda I - A - B)x$$
$$= x - R(\lambda; A)Bx + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [R(\lambda; A)B]^{k}x - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [R(\lambda; A)B]^{k}x = x$$
(3.2)

for every  $x \in D(A)$  and  $A \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub>. Therefore, the resolvent of A + B exists for  $\lambda > \omega + |B|$  and it is given by the operator R. Moreover,

$$|(\lambda I - A - B)^{-1}| = |\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} R(\lambda; A)[BR(\lambda; A)]^k|$$
  

$$\leq (\lambda - \omega)^{-1}(I - |BR(\lambda; A)|)^{-1}$$
  

$$\leq (\lambda - \omega - |B|)^{-1}.$$
(3.3)

By definition 2.4, it follows that A + B is the infinitesimal generator of a  $C_0$ semigroup  $\{T(t); t \leq 0\}$ , satisfying  $|S(t)| \leq e^{(\omega+|B|)t}$ . Back to the original norm  $\|.\|$ on X, we have

$$||S(t)|| \le M e^{(\omega + M ||B||)t}$$
(3.4)

Now let's look at the relationship between semigroup  $\{T(t); t \leq 0\}$  generated by A and the semigroup  $\{T(t); t \leq 0\}$  generated by A + B for all  $A, B \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub>. To this end, we consider the operator H(s) = T(t-s)S(s). For  $x \in D(A) = D(A+B)$ , so  $s \to H(s)x$  is differentiable and H'(s)x = T(t-s)BS(s)x. Integrating H'(s)x from 0 to t yields

$$S(t)x = T(t) + \int_0^t T(t-s)BS(s)xds$$
 (3.5)

for all  $x \in D(A)$  and  $A, B \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub>. Since the operators on both sides of (3.5) are bounded, then (3.5) holds for every  $x \in X$ . The semigroup  $\{T(t); t \leq 0\}$  is therefore the solution of the integral equations (3.5). For such integral equations, we have (ii) in the Theorem 3.1, and that proves (i). To prove (ii), let

$$U_0(t)x = T(t) \tag{3.6}$$

and define  $U_n(t)$  inductively by

$$V_{n+1}(t)x = \int_0^t T(t-s)BU_n(s)xds$$
(3.7)

for all  $x \in X$ ,  $n \ge 0$  and  $B \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub>. From this definition, it is obvious that  $t \to V_n(t)x$  is continuous for all  $x \in X$ ,  $t \ge 0$  and every  $n \ge 0$ . Next we prove by induction that,

$$||U_n(t)|| \le M e^{\omega t} \frac{M^n ||B||^n t^n}{n!}.$$
(3.8)

Indeed, for n = 0, (3.8) holds for by our assumption on T(t) and the definition of  $U_n(t)$ . Assume (3.8) holds for n then by (3.7), we have

$$||U_{n+1}(t)x|| \leq \int_0^t M e^{\omega(t-s)} ||B|| M e^{\omega s} \frac{M^n ||B||^n t^n}{n!}$$
$$= M e^{\omega t} \frac{M^{n+1} ||B||^{n+1} t^{n+1}}{n+1!}$$

and thus (3.8) holds for n > 0. Defining

$$U(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} U_n(t), \qquad (3.9)$$

then, it follows from (3.8) that (3.9) converges uniformly in the in the operator topology on bounded intervals. Therefore  $t \to U(t)x$  is continuous for every  $x \in X$ and moreso by (3.6) and (3.7), it follows that for every  $x \in X$ , U(t)x satisfies the integral in (ii) of Theorem 3.1. This concludes the proof the existence statement. To prove the uniqueness, let V(t),  $t \ge 0$  be the family of bounded linear operators foe which  $t \to V(t)x$  is continuous for every  $x \in X$  and V(t)x =

$$V(t)x = T(t)x + \int_0^t T(t-s)BV(s)xds$$
 (3.10)

for all  $x \in X$ ,  $n \ge 0$  and  $B \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub>. Subtracting (3.10) from (3.5) and estimating the difference yields

$$\|(U(t) - V(t))x\| \le \int_0^t M e^{\omega(t-s)} \|B\| \|(U(s) - V(s))x\| ds.$$
(3.11)

But (ii) implies, for example by Gronwall's inequality, that ||(U(t) - V(t))x|| = 0for every  $t \ge 0$  and therefore U(t) = V(t). From (ii) in Theorem 3.1, and the fact that the semigroup  $\{S(t); t \ge 0\}$  generated by A+B satisfies (3.5), we immediately obtained the following explicit representation of S(t) in terms of T(t), then

$$S(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} S_n(t) \tag{3.12}$$

where  $S_0(t) = T(t)$ , and

$$S_{n+1}(t)x = \int_0^t T(t-s)BS_n(s)xdx$$
 (3.13)

for all  $x \in X$ , and the convergence in (3.12) is in the uniform operator topology. For the difference between T(t) and S(t), we have to prove a lemma, say

**Lemma 3.2.** Suppose A is the infinitesimal generator of a  $C_0$ -semigroup  $\{T(t); t \ge 0\}$  where  $A \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub> satisfying  $||T(t)|| \le Me^{\omega t}$ . Let B be a bounded linear operator and let S(t) be the  $C_0$ -semigroup  $\{S(t); t \ge 0\}$  generated by A + B such that  $A, B \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub>. Then

 $||S(t) - T(t)|| \le Me^{\omega t}(e^{M||B||t} - 1).$ 

**Proof.** From (3.5) and (i) of Theorem 3.1, we have

$$\begin{split} \|S(t)x - T(t)x\| &\leq \int_0^t \|T(t-s)\| \|B\| \|S(s)\| \|x\| ds \\ &\leq M^2 e^{\omega t} \|B\| \int_0^t e^{M\|B\|s} \|x\| ds \\ &= M e^{\omega t} (e^{M\|B\|t} - 1) \|x\|. \end{split}$$

Hence the proof is complete.

**Theorem 3.3.** Let A be the infinitesimal generator of an analytic semigroup where  $A \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub> and let B be a closed operator satisfying  $D(A) \supset D(A)$  and

$$||Bx|| \le a||Ax|| + b||x|| \tag{3.14}$$

for all  $x \in D(A)$  and  $A, B \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub>, and there exists a positive number  $\delta$  such that if  $0 \leq a \leq \delta$ , then A + B is the infinitesimal generator of an analytic semigroup.

**Proof.** Suppose the semigroup generated by A is uniformly bounded. Then

 $\rho(A) \supset \Sigma = \{\lambda; |arg\lambda| \leq \pi/2 + \omega\}$  for some  $\omega > 0$  and in  $\Sigma$ ,  $||R(\lambda; A)|| \leq M|\lambda|^{-1}$ . Consider the bounded operator  $BR(\lambda; A)$ . From (3.14), it follows that for every  $x \in X$  and  $A \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub>, we have

$$|BR(\lambda; A)x|| \le a ||AR(\lambda; A)x|| + b ||R(\lambda; A)x|| \le a(M+1)||x|| + \frac{bM}{|\lambda|}||x||.$$
(3.15)

Choosing  $\delta = \frac{1}{2}(1+M)^{-1}$  and  $|\lambda| > 2bM$ , then, we have  $||BR(\lambda; A)|| < 1$  and therefore the operator  $I - BR(\lambda; A)$  is invertible. A simple computation shows that

$$(\lambda I - (A + B))^{-1} = R(\lambda; A)(I - BR(\lambda; A))^{-1}.$$
(3.16)

Thus for  $|\lambda| > 2bM$  and  $|arg\lambda| \le \pi/2 + \omega$ , we obtained from (3.16) that

$$||R(\lambda; A + B|| \le M |\lambda|^{-1}$$
 (3.17)

which implies that A + B is the infinitesimal generator of an analytic semigroup. Suppose T(t) is not uniformly bounded, then let  $||T(t)|| \leq Me^{\omega t}$ . Let consider the semigroup  $e^{-\omega t}T(t)$  generated by  $A_0 = A - \omega I$ . Then from (3.14), we have

 $||Bx|| \leq a||Ax|| + (a\omega + b)||x||$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $A \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub>. Therefore, by the first part of the proof, if  $0 \leq a \leq \delta$ ,  $A_0 + B = A + B - \omega I$  is an infinitesimal generator of an analytic semigroup which implies that A+B is also the infinitesimal generator of an analytic semigroup, and this complete the proof.

**Theorem 3.4.** Suppose A and B are linear operators in X, where  $A,B \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub> such that  $D(B) \supset D(A)$ , then,

(i) A + tB is dissipative for  $0 \le t \le 1$ , if

$$\|Bx\| \le \alpha \|Ax\| + \beta \|x\| \tag{3.18}$$

for all  $x \in D(A)$ ; and

(ii) B is dissipative and satisfy

 $||Bx|| \leq \alpha ||Ax|| + \beta ||x||$  for all  $x \in D(A)$ , where  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ,  $\beta \geq 0$  and for some  $t_0 \in [0,1]$ , where A + tB is dissipative, so that A + tB is m-dissiptive for all  $t \in [0,1]$ . Then A + B is the infinitesimal generator of a  $C_0$ -semigroup of contractions. **Proof.** We need to show that there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that if A + tB is mdissipative, A + tB is also m-dissipative for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $A, B \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub> satisfying  $|t - t_0| \leq \delta$ . Since every point in [0, 1] can be reached from every other point by a finite number of steps of length  $\delta$  or less, this implies the result. Assume that for some  $t_0 \in [0, 1]$  and  $A + t_0 B$  is m-dissipative. Then,  $I - (A + t_0 B)$  is invertible. Denoting  $((I - (A + t_0 B))^{-1})$  by  $R(t_0)$ , we have  $||R(t_0)|| \leq 1$ . We need to show now that the operator  $BR(t_0)$  is a bounded linear operator. From (3.18) and the triangle inequality, we have

$$||Bx|| \le \alpha ||(A + t_0 B)x|| + \alpha t_0 ||Bx|| + \beta ||x|| \le \alpha ||(A + t_0 B)x|| + \alpha ||Bx|| + \beta ||x||$$

for all  $x \in D(A)$ ,  $A, B \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub> and therefore

$$||Bx|| \le \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} ||(A+t_0B)x|| + \frac{\beta}{1-\alpha} ||x||.$$
(3.19)

Since  $R(t_0) : X \to D(A)$  and  $(A + t_0 B)R(t_0) = R(t_0) - I$ , it follows from (3.19) that

$$||BR(t_0)x|| \le \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} ||(R(t_0) - I)x|| + \frac{\beta}{1-\alpha} ||R(t_0)x|| \le \frac{2\alpha + \beta}{1-\alpha} ||x||$$
(3.20)

for all  $x \in X$  and so  $BR(t_0)$  is bounded. To show that A + tB is m-dissipative, we will need to show that I - (A + tB) is invertible and thus its range is all of X, then we have

$$I - (A + tB) = I - (A + t_0B) + (t_0 - t)B$$
  
= (I + (t\_0 - t)BR(t\_0))(I - (A + tB)). (3.21)

Therefore I - (A + tB) is invertible if and only if  $I + (t_0 - t)BR(t_0)$  is invertible. But  $I + (t_0 - t)BR(t_0)$  is invertible for all t satisfying

 $|t - t_0| < (1 - \alpha)(2\alpha + \beta)^{-1} \le ||BR(t_0)||^{-1}$  and we therefore choose  $\delta = (1 - \alpha)(4\alpha + 2\beta)^{-1}$ , and that complete the proof of (i).

To prove (ii), let us consider Theorem 2.2 such that D(A) = X and A is mdissipative. Therefore A + tB is dissipative for every  $0 \le t \le 1$ . This follows from the fact that if A is m-dissipative  $Re < Ax, x^* > \le 0$  for every  $x^* \in F(x)$ by definition (2.7). Indeed, if B is dissipative with  $D(B) \supset D(A)$ , then for every  $x \in D(A)$  and  $A, B \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub>, there is a  $x^* \in F(x)$  such that  $Re < Bx, x^* > \le 0$ and for this same  $x^*$ ,  $Re < Ax + tBx, x^* > \le 0$ . From (i) of Theorem 3.4, it follows that A+tB is m-dissipative for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and in particular A+B is m-dissipative since D(A + B) = D(A) is dense in X, then, A + B is the infinitesimal generator of a  $C_0$ -semigroup by Theorem (2.2). Hence the proof is complete.

**Theorem 3.5.** Assume A is the infinitesimal generator of a  $C_0$ -semigroup of contractions where  $A \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub>. Let B be dissipative,  $D(A) \subset D(B)$  such that  $B \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub> and

$$||Bx|| \le ||Ax|| + \beta ||x|| \tag{3.22}$$

where  $\beta \geq 0$  is a contsant. If  $B^*$  is the adjoint of B and densely defined, then the closure  $\overline{A+B}$  of A+B is the infinitesimal generator of a  $C_0$ -semigroup of contractions.

**Proof.** A + B is dissipative and densely defined since A is m-dissipative and B is dissipative with  $D(B) \supset D(A)$ . Therefore A + B is closable and its closure  $\overline{A + B}$  is dissipative. To prove that  $\overline{A + B}$  is the infinitesimal generator of a  $C_0$ -semigroup of contractions, it is therefore sufficient to show that  $R(I - (\overline{A + B})) = X$ . Since  $\overline{A + B}$  is dissipative and closed, its follows that  $R(I - (\overline{A + B}))$  is closed and therefore it suffices to show that  $R(I - (\overline{A + B}))$  is dense in X. Let  $y^* \in X^*$  be "orthogonal" to the range of I - (A + B), that is  $\langle y^*, z \rangle = 0$  for every  $z \in R(I - (\overline{A + B}))$ . Let  $y \in X$  be such that  $||y^*|| \leq \langle y^*, y \rangle$ . From (ii) of Theorem 3.4, it follows that A + tB is m-dissipative for  $0 \leq t < 1$  and therefore the equation

$$x_t - Ax_t - tBx_t = y \tag{3.23}$$

has a unique solution  $x_t$  for every  $0 \le t < 1$ . Since A + tB is dissipative, then  $||x_t|| \le ||y||$ . From (3.22), it follows that

$$||Bx_t|| \le ||Ax_t|| + \beta ||x_t|| \le ||(A+tB)x_t|| + t||Bx_t|| + \beta ||x_t|| \le ||y-x_t|| + t||Bx_t|| + \beta ||x_t||$$
(3.24)

and therefore

$$(1-t)||Bx_t|| \le ||y-x_t|| + \beta ||x_t|| \le (2+\beta)||y||.$$
(3.25)

Let  $z^* \in D(B^*)$ , then,

$$| < z^*, (1-t)Bx_t > | = (1-t)| < B^*z^*, x_t > | \leq (1-t)||B^*z^*||||y|| \to 0 \text{ as } t \to 1.$$
(3.26)

Since  $D(B^*)$  is dense in  $X^*$  and since by (3.25),  $(1-t)Bx_t$  is uniformly bounded and it follows from (3.26) that  $(1-t)Bx_t$  tends weakly to zero as  $t \to 1$ . In particular by the choice of  $y^*$ , we have

$$||y^*|| \le \langle y^*, y \rangle = \langle y^*, x_t - Ax_t - tBx_t \rangle$$
  
=  $\langle y^*, (1-t)Bx_t \rangle \to 0 \text{ as } t \to 1$ 

which implies  $y^* = 0$  and the range of  $I - \overline{(A+B)}$  is dense in X. To complete the proof, let X be reflexive Banach space and let T be a closable densely defined operator in X. Then it is well known that  $T^*$  is closed and  $D(T^*)$  is dense in  $X^*$  and therefore since X is a reflexive Banach space and  $A \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub> is the infinitesimal generator of a  $C_0$ -semigroup of contractions in X, then B is dissipative such that  $D(B) \supset D(A)$  and

 $||Bx|| \leq ||Ax|| + \beta ||x||$ , for all  $x \in D(A)$  and  $A, B \in \omega$ -ORCP<sub>n</sub> where  $\beta \geq 0$ . Then A + B is the infinitesimal generator of a  $C_0$ -semigroup of contractions in X and this achieved the proof.

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