

# UNIFORMLY ERGODIC MAPS ON $C^*$ -ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT

Let  $T$  be an identity preserving Schwarz map on a  $C^*$ -algebra. The following conditions are proved to be equivalent: (a)  $T$  is *uniformly ergodic with finite-dimensional fixed space*. (b)  $T$  is *quasi-compact*.

1. Let  $E$  be a Banach space. An operator  $T \in \mathcal{L}(E)$  is called *uniformly ergodic* (resp. *strongly ergodic*) if the averages

$$T_n := n^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} T^k \quad (n \in \mathbb{N})$$

converge in the uniform operator topology (resp. strong operator topology). The limit  $P$  of the sequence  $(T_n)$  is called the ergodic projection associated with  $T$  and satisfies

$$P = P^2 = PT = TP.$$

It follows that  $P$  is a projection onto the fixed space

$$F(T) := \{x \in E : Tx = x\}.$$

An operator  $T \in \mathcal{L}(E)$  is called *quasi-compact* if there exists a compact operator  $K$  on  $E$  and a natural number  $m$  such that

$$\|T^m - K\| < 1.$$

Under the assumption that  $(n^{-1} \|T^n\|)$  converges to zero  $T$  is quasi-compact iff the peripheral spectrum  $\sigma(T) \cap \Gamma$  of  $T$  contains only poles of the resolvent  $R(\lambda, T)$  of first order with finite-dimensional eigenspaces, whereas  $T$  is uniformly ergodic iff 1 is a pole of the resolvent of order at most one ([2, App. W.],

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[3, VIII. 8]) or iff  $(I - T)E$  is closed ([7]). Thus quasi-compactness implies uniform ergodicity but not conversely, even if the fixed space of  $T$  is finite-dimensional.

If a  $C^*$ -algebra is commutative it is a Banach lattice ([14]) and, by [9], a positive contraction with  $F(T)$  finite-dimensional is quasi-compact if and only if it is uniformly ergodic. Since a non-commutative  $C^*$ -algebra is not a Banach lattice, the aim of this paper is to extend this surprising result to arbitrary  $C^*$ -algebras.

For the definitions and notations concerning the *spectrum*  $\sigma(T)$ , *resolvent set*  $\rho(T)$ , *spectral radius*  $r(T)$ , *resolvent*  $R(\lambda, T)$ , *pole of the resolvent*, etc., of a bounded operator  $T$  on a (complex) Banach space  $E$  we refer to Dunford–Schwartz [3]. We recall specifically that the *approximate point spectrum*  $A\sigma(T)$  is the set of all  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  for which there exists a normalized sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $E$  such that  $\lim_n \|(\alpha - T)x_n\| = 0$ . In particular, the *point spectrum*  $P\sigma(T)$  and the *peripheral spectrum*  $\sigma(T) \cap r(T)\Gamma$  are contained in  $A\sigma(T)$ , where  $\Gamma$  is the set of all complex numbers of modulus one.

The  $C^*$ -algebras under consideration are always unital. If  $\mathfrak{A}$  is a  $C^*$ -algebra with positive cone  $\mathfrak{A}_+ := \{x^*x : x \in \mathfrak{A}\}$ , a map  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{A})$  is called *positive*, if  $T(\mathfrak{A}_+) \subseteq \mathfrak{A}_+$  and is called a *Schwarz map*, if  $T(x)T(x)^* \leq \|T\|T(xx^*)$  for every  $x$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Recall that every positive map on a commutative  $C^*$ -algebra is a Schwarz map (see, e.g., [14, IV.3.9]).

2. The main result of this section concerns the eigenspaces pertaining to peripheral eigenvalues of identity preserving Schwarz maps with finite-dimensional fixed-spaces. Let us first recall some facts about  $w^*$ -continuous linear forms on a  $W^*$ -algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Let  $\varphi \in \mathfrak{A}_*$ ,  $\mathfrak{A}_*$  the predual of  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Then there exists a positive linear form  $|\varphi| \in \mathfrak{A}_*$  and a partial isometry  $u \in \mathfrak{A}$  uniquely determined by the conditions

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(x) &= |\varphi|(xu) =: (R_u|\varphi|)(x) \quad (x \in \mathfrak{A}) \\ u^*u &= s(|\varphi|)\end{aligned}$$

where  $s(|\varphi|)$  is the support projection of  $|\varphi|$ . We refer to this as the *polar decomposition* of  $\varphi$  ([13, 5.16]). For the polar decomposition of  $\varphi^*$ , where  $\varphi^*(x) = \varphi(x^*)^*$  ( $x \in \mathfrak{A}$ ), we obtain

$$\varphi^* = R_u \cdot |\varphi^*|, \quad |\varphi^*| = L_u \cdot R_u |\varphi|, \quad uu^* = s(|\varphi^*|)$$

([13, E.5.10]), where for  $a \in \mathfrak{A}$  the maps  $R_a$  (resp.  $L_a$ ) are given by  $(x \mapsto xa)$  (resp.  $(x \mapsto ax)$ ). In addition  $|\varphi|$  is uniquely determined by the properties

$$\begin{aligned}\|\varphi\| &= \|\varphi|\| \\ |\varphi(x)|^2 &\leq \|\varphi\| |\varphi|(xx^*) \quad (x \in \mathfrak{A})\end{aligned}$$

([13, E.5.11], [14, III.4.6])

2.1. PROPOSITION. *Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be a  $W^*$ -algebra, let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{A})$  be an identity preserving Schwarz map with preadjoint  $T_* \in \mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{A}_*)$ , let  $\alpha$  be a peripheral eigenvalue of  $T_*$  and let  $\varphi \in \ker(\alpha - T_*)$  be of norm one with polar decomposition  $\varphi = R_u |\varphi|$ . Then the following assertions hold:*

- (a)  $|\varphi|$  and  $|\varphi^*|$  are elements of  $F(T_*)$ .
- (b) Suppose  $T(s(|\varphi|)\mathfrak{A}) \subseteq s(|\varphi|)\mathfrak{A}$  and suppose there exists a faithful family  $\Psi$  of  $T_*$ -invariant states on  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Then  $(\alpha^* T)(x) = u^* T(ux) = (L_{u^*} \circ T \circ L_u)(x)$  for all  $x \in s(|\varphi|)\mathfrak{M}$  and  $s(|\varphi^*|)\mathfrak{M}$  is  $T$ -invariant.

PROOF. (a) Using the Schwarz inequality for  $T$  we obtain for  $x \in \mathfrak{A}$ :

$$|\varphi(x)|^2 = |\varphi(Tx)|^2 \leq |\varphi|((Tx)(Tx)^*) \leq (T_* |\varphi|)(xx^*).$$

Because  $\|\varphi\| = |\varphi|(1) = |\varphi|(T1) = \|T_* |\varphi|\|$ , it follows that  $|\varphi| \in F(T_*)$  by the characterization mentioned above.

(b) Suppose  $T(s(|\varphi|)\mathfrak{A}) \subseteq s(|\varphi|)\mathfrak{A}$ . We show first  $Tu^* = \alpha u^*$ . Using the Schwarz inequality we obtain

$$(Tu^* - \alpha u^*)(Tu^* - \alpha u^*)^* \leq T(u^* u) + u^* u - \alpha u^*(Tu) - \alpha^*(Tu^*)u.$$

Because  $|\varphi| \in F(T_*)$ ,  $\varphi \in \ker(\alpha - T_*)$  and  $\varphi^* \in \ker(\alpha^* - T_*)$  it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}|\varphi|((Tu^* - \alpha u^*)(Tu^* - \alpha u^*)^*) &\leq 2|\varphi|(u^* u) - \alpha |\varphi|(u^*(Tu)) - \alpha^* |\varphi|((Tu^*)u) \\ &= 2|\varphi|(u^* u) - \varphi^*(u) - \varphi(u^*) \\ &= 2|\varphi|(u^* u) - 2|\varphi|(u^* u) \\ &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

Since  $u^* \in s(|\varphi|)\mathfrak{A}$ ,

$$0 \leq (Tu^* - \alpha u^*)(Tu^* - \alpha u^*)^* \in s(|\varphi|)\mathfrak{A}s(|\varphi|),$$

and because  $|\varphi|$  is faithful on the  $W^*$ -algebra  $s(|\varphi|)\mathfrak{A}s(|\varphi|)$ , it follows that

$$(Tu^* - \alpha u^*)(Tu^* - \alpha u^*)^* = 0$$

which implies  $Tu^* = \alpha u^*$ .

For  $x, y \in \mathfrak{A}$  define

$$B(x, y) = T(xy^*) - T(x)T(y)^*.$$

Then  $B(\cdot, \cdot)$  is a sesquilinear, positive map from  $\mathfrak{A} \times \mathfrak{A}$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$  satisfying

$$B(x, x) = 0 \quad \text{iff} \quad B(x, y) = 0 \quad \text{for all } y \in \mathfrak{A}.$$

To prove this one has only to note that  $\psi \circ B$  is a positive, hermitian sesquilinear form on  $\mathfrak{A}$  for every  $\psi \in \mathfrak{A}_*^*$ . Hence  $\psi(B(x, x)) = 0$  iff  $\psi(B(x, y)) = 0$  for all  $y \in \mathfrak{A}$ . Since  $\mathfrak{A}_*^*$  is generating, the assertion follows.

Because of  $T(uu^*) \geq uu^*$  and because the family  $\Psi$  is faithful and consists of  $T_*$ -invariant states, it follows that  $T(uu^*) = uu^*$  and similarly  $T_*(uu^*)^2 = (uu^*)^2$ . Therefore  $B(u, x) = 0$  and  $B(uu^*, x) = 0$  for all  $x \in \mathfrak{A}$ . Thus  $u^*T(ux) = \alpha^*T(x)$  for all  $x \in s(|\varphi|)\mathfrak{A}$  since  $s(|\varphi|)\mathfrak{A}$  is  $T$ -invariant, and  $T(s(|\varphi^*|)\mathfrak{A}) \subseteq s(|\varphi^*|)\mathfrak{A}$ .  $\blacksquare$

**2.2. THEOREM.** *Let  $\mathfrak{A}$  be a  $W^*$ -algebra and let  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{A})$  be an identity preserving Schwarz map with preadjoint  $T_* \in \mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{A}_*)$ . If the fixed space of  $T_*$  is finite-dimensional, then  $\dim \ker(\alpha - T_*) \leq \dim \ker F(T_*)$  for all  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  of modulus one.*

**PROOF.** Let  $\Psi := \{|\psi| : \psi \in F(T_*)\}$  and let us first assume  $\Psi$  to be faithful. Since then  $T_*$  is strongly ergodic on  $\mathfrak{A}_*$  ([6]),  $\dim F(T_*) = \dim F(T) < \infty$ .

Using the sesquilinear mapping  $B(\cdot, \cdot)$  introduced in the proof of Proposition 2.1(b), it is easy to see that  $F(T)$  is a finite-dimensional  $C^*$ -subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Hence we can decompose  $F(T)$  into the direct sum

$$F(T) = \bigoplus_{k=1}^m M_k$$

where each  $M_k$  is isomorphic to the  $C^*$ -algebra of all  $n_k \times n_k$ -matrices and where the sequence  $\{n_1, \dots, n_m\}$  of positive integers is uniquely determined by  $F(T)$  (up to a permutation) ([14, I.11.2]). Thus there exists a sequence  $\{p_1, \dots, p_r\}$  of mutually orthogonal, minimal projections in  $F(T)$  such that  $r = \sum_{i=1}^m n_i$  and  $\sum_{j=1}^r p_j = 1$ . Since  $F(T)$  is a  $C^*$ -subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{A}$  these projections are mutually orthogonal in  $\mathfrak{A}$  with sum 1.

Because of  $T(p_j) = p_j$  ( $1 \leq j \leq r$ ) it follows that  $T(p_j x) = p_j T(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathfrak{A}$ . Thus the  $w^*$ -closed right ideal  $\mathfrak{R}_j := p_j \mathfrak{A}$  is  $T$ -minimal, i.e., if  $\mathfrak{R} \subseteq \mathfrak{R}_j$  is another  $T$ -invariant  $w^*$ -closed right ideal then  $\mathfrak{R}$  is equal to  $\{0\}$  or  $\mathfrak{R}_j$ .

For  $j \in \{k : 1 \leq k \leq r\}$  consider  $\mathfrak{T}_j := \{L_{p_j} \psi : \psi \in \mathfrak{A}_*\}$  and note that  $\mathfrak{A}_* = \bigoplus_{i=1}^r \mathfrak{T}_i$  and  $T_*(\mathfrak{T}_j) \subseteq \mathfrak{T}_j$ . If  $\varphi \in \mathfrak{T}_j$  with polar decomposition  $\varphi = R_u |\varphi|$ , then it is easy to see that  $|\varphi| \in \mathfrak{T}_j$  and  $u^*u \leq p_j$ . In particular,  $u^* \in \mathfrak{R}_j$ . Let

$\alpha \in P\sigma(T_*) \cap \Gamma$ ; since  $P\sigma(T_*) = \bigcup_{j=1}^m P\sigma(T_{|\mathfrak{R}_j})$  there exists a  $j \in \{k : 1 \leq k \leq r\}$  and a normalized  $\varphi \in \mathfrak{R}_j$  such that  $T\varphi = \alpha\varphi$ . Let

$$\mathfrak{N}_{|\varphi|} := \{x \in \mathfrak{R}_j : |\varphi|(xx^*) = 0\},$$

then  $\mathfrak{N}_{|\varphi|}$  is a  $w^*$ -closed right ideal contained in  $\mathfrak{R}_j$ , which is  $T$ -invariant, since  $|\varphi| \in F(T_*)$  (Proposition 2.1(a)). Therefore  $\mathfrak{N}_{|\varphi|} = \{0\}$ , which implies  $s(|\varphi|) = p_j$ . By Proposition 2.1(b)

$$(*) \quad (\alpha^* T)(x) = (L_u \circ T \circ L_u)(x)$$

for all  $x \in \mathfrak{R}_j$ . Since  $s(|\varphi^*|)\mathfrak{A}$  is  $T$ -invariant (Proposition 2.1(b)),  $R_u$  is a bijection from  $s(|\varphi|)\mathfrak{A}$  onto  $s(|\varphi^*|)\mathfrak{A}$  with inverse  $R_{u^*}$  and because of

$$\dim F(T_{|s(|\varphi^*|)\mathfrak{A}}) \leq \dim F(T)$$

it follows that

$$\dim \ker(\alpha - T_{|\mathfrak{R}_j|}) \leq \dim F(T)$$

for all  $1 \leq j \leq r$ . Since  $\mathfrak{A} = \bigoplus_{j=1}^m \mathfrak{R}_j$  this implies

$$\dim \ker(\alpha - T) \leq \dim F(T).$$

Because  $\dim \ker(\alpha - T_*) \leq \dim \ker(\alpha - T)$  (see, e.g., Proposition 3.1),

$$\dim \ker(\alpha - T_*) \leq \dim F(T_*)$$

for all  $\alpha \in C$  of modulus one.

For the general case let  $p := \sup\{s(|\psi|) : \psi \in F(T_*)\}$ . Then  $Tp \geq p$  because  $T(s(|\psi|)) \geq s(|\psi|)$  for all  $\psi \in F(T_*)$ . We claim that the map  $T_p$  on  $\mathfrak{A}_p := p\mathfrak{A}p$  given by

$$(x \mapsto p(Tx)p), \quad x \in \mathfrak{A}_p$$

is well defined, is identity preserving and is a Schwarz map. In order to see that  $T_p$  is well defined note that for  $y \in \mathfrak{A}$ :

$$p(Ty - T(pyp)p) = p(T(y(1-p)) + T((1-p)yp)) = 0$$

because the right ideal  $(1-p)\mathfrak{A}$  and the left ideal  $\mathfrak{A}(1-p)$  are  $T$ -invariant.  $T_p$  is identity preserving because  $T_p(p) \leq p$  and  $\Psi_{|p\mathfrak{A}p}$  is faithful. Since  $T_p = Q \circ T \circ Q$  where  $Q$  is the Schwarz map  $(x \mapsto pxp)$ ,  $T_p$  is a Schwarz map. If  $\varphi \in p\mathfrak{A}_*p$  then for all  $y \in \mathfrak{A}$

$$\varphi(Ty) = \varphi(p(Ty)p) = \varphi(p(T(pyp))p) = \varphi(T(pyp))$$

hence  $T_*\varphi \in p\mathfrak{A}_*p$ . The dual Banach space of  $p\mathfrak{A}_*p$  is  $\mathfrak{A}_p$ . Therefore the adjoint of  $T_{*(p\mathfrak{A}_*p)}$  is  $T_p$ . If  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  is of modulus one and  $\varphi_\alpha \in \ker(\alpha - T_*)$ , then  $\varphi_\alpha \in p\mathfrak{A}_*p$  because  $s(|\varphi_\alpha|)$  and  $s(|\varphi_\alpha^*|)$  are majorized by  $p$ . Thus  $\ker(\alpha - T_*) \subseteq p\mathfrak{A}_*p$  for all such  $\alpha$ . Since the family  $\Psi$  is faithful on the  $W^*$ -algebra  $\mathfrak{A}_p$ , the theorem is proved. ■

3. In this section we give a proof of our main theorem. First we need some preparations which we state separately. The result of our first proposition is well known ([15]), but for the convenience of the reader we give a (different) proof.

3.1. PROPOSITION. *Let  $T$  be a contraction on a Banach space  $E$  with adjoint  $T^* \in \mathcal{L}(E^*)$ . Then for every peripheral eigenvalue  $\alpha$  of  $T$ ,  $\ker(\alpha - T^*)$  separates the points of  $\ker(\alpha - T)$ . In particular,  $\dim \ker(\alpha - T) \leq \dim \ker(\alpha - T^*)$ .*

PROOF. Since for every  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  of modulus one  $\ker(\alpha - T) = F(\alpha^* T)$  it suffices to prove that  $F(T^*)$  separates the points of  $F(T)$ . Let  $\mathfrak{U}$  be an ultrafilter on  $[1, \infty)$  which converges to 1. Since the unit ball  $U^0$  of  $E$  is  $\sigma(E^*, E)$ -compact and invariant under  $T^*$ , there exists for each  $\psi \in U^0$

$$\psi_0 := \lim_{\mathfrak{U}} (\lambda - 1)R(\lambda, T^*)\psi.$$

Since  $T^*$  is  $\sigma(E^*, E)$ -continuous and

$$T^*R(\lambda, T^*) = \lambda R(\lambda, T^*) - I_E.$$

we conclude  $\psi_0 \in F(T^*)$ . Now take  $0 \neq x_0 \in F(T)$  and choose  $\psi \in U^0$  such that  $\psi(x_0) = 1$ . From the considerations above it follows that

$$\psi_0(x_0) = \lim_{\mathfrak{U}} (\lambda - 1)\psi(R(\lambda, T)x_0) = \psi(x_0) = 1,$$

hence  $0 \neq \psi_0 \in F(T^*)$  and  $F(T^*)$  separates the points of  $F(T)$ . ■

In the proof of our main theorem we use the so-called ultrapower  $\hat{E}$  of a Banach space  $E$  with respect to a free ultrafilter  $\mathfrak{U}$  on  $\mathbb{N}$ . For the construction of  $\hat{E}$  we refer to [11, V.1.4]. Recall in particular that for  $T \in \mathcal{L}(E)$  we have  $\sigma(T) = \sigma(\hat{T})$  and  $A\sigma(T) = A\sigma(\hat{T}) = P\sigma(\hat{T})$  where  $\hat{T}$  is the canonical extension of  $T$  to  $\hat{E}$ .

3.2. PROPOSITION. *Let  $E$  be a Banach space and  $T \in \mathcal{L}(E)$ . If  $\alpha \in P\sigma(\hat{T})$  and  $\dim \ker(\alpha - \hat{T}) < \infty$ , then the following hold:*

(a)  $\alpha \in P\sigma(T)$  and  $\dim \ker(\alpha - T) = \dim \ker(\alpha - \hat{T})$ .  
 (b) If  $T$  is a contraction and  $|\alpha| = 1$  then  $\alpha$  is a pole of the resolvent  $R(\lambda, T)$ .

PROOF. (a) Let  $\alpha \in P\sigma(\hat{T})$  and suppose  $\dim \ker(\alpha - \hat{T}) < \infty$ . We prove first that  $\alpha \in P\sigma(T)$ . Let  $(x_n)$  be a normalized sequence in  $E$  such that  $\lim_n \|(\alpha - T)x_n\| = 0$ . Since  $\alpha \in P\sigma(T)$  as soon as  $(x_n)$  has a convergent subsequence, we assume to the contrary that there is no such subsequence. Thus we may assume that there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\|x_{n_1} - x_{n_2}\| \geq \delta$  for all positive integers  $n_1 \neq n_2$ . For  $i \in \mathbb{N}$  let  $\hat{x}_i$  be the image of  $(x_{n+i})$  in  $\hat{E}$  and note that  $\hat{x}_i \in \ker(\alpha - \hat{T})$  with  $\|\hat{x}_i\| = 1$ . Since  $\ker(\alpha - \hat{T})$  is finite-dimensional the sequence  $(\hat{x}_i)$  has an accumulation point in  $\ker(\alpha - \hat{T})$ . Thus there exist positive integers  $j_1 < j_2$  such that

$$\|\hat{x}_{j_1} - \hat{x}_{j_2}\| \leq \delta/2$$

which leads to a contradiction. Hence we proved  $\alpha \in P\sigma(T)$ .

Obviously  $\dim \ker(\alpha - T) \leq \dim \ker(\alpha - \hat{T})$ . If

$$\dim \ker(\alpha - T) < \dim \ker(\alpha - \hat{T})$$

then there exist  $\gamma > 0$  and a normalized  $\hat{x} \in \ker(\alpha - \hat{T})$  with the property

$$\gamma \leq \|\hat{x} - \hat{y}\| \quad \text{for all } y \in \ker(\alpha - T).$$

Since every  $(x_n) \in \hat{x}$  has a convergent subsequence by the result of the last paragraph, there exists  $0 \neq z \in \ker(\alpha - T)$  such that

$$\gamma \leq \|\hat{z} - \hat{y}\| \quad \text{for all } y \in \ker(\alpha - T),$$

a contradiction. Thus  $\dim \ker(\alpha - T) = \dim \ker(\alpha - \hat{T})$  as desired.

(b) Let  $\dim \ker(\alpha - T) = n$  and choose  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  linearly independent of  $\ker(\alpha - T)$ . By Proposition 2.1 there exists  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n$  in  $\ker(\alpha - T^*)$  such that  $\varphi_i(x_j) = \delta_{ij}$  ( $i, j = 1, \dots, n$ ). Let  $M := \bigcap_{i=1}^n \ker \varphi_i$ , then  $E = \ker(\alpha - T) \oplus M$  and  $T(M) \subseteq M$ . We claim  $\alpha \notin \sigma(T|_M)$ ; for if  $\alpha \in \sigma(T|_M)$ , then there exists an approximative eigenvector sequence  $(y_n)$  in  $M$  pertaining to  $\alpha$ . Since by the proof of (a) this sequence has a convergent subsequence,  $M \cap \ker(\alpha - T) \neq \{0\}$ , a contradiction. But  $\alpha$  is a pole of the resolvent  $R(\lambda, T|_{\ker(\alpha - T)})$ , thus a pole of  $R(\lambda, T)$ .  $\blacksquare$

3.3. THEOREM. Let  $T$  be an identity preserving Schwarz map on a  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Then the following assertions are equivalent:

(a)  $T$  is uniformly ergodic with finite-dimensional fixed space.  
 (b)  $T$  is quasi-compact.

(c) *The peripheral spectrum of  $T$  consists entirely of poles of the resolvent and the corresponding eigenspaces are finite-dimensional.*

PROOF. (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (c): We select a free ultrafilter  $\mathbb{U}$  on  $\mathbb{N}$  and embed  $\mathfrak{A}$  into the  $\mathbb{U}$ -product  $\hat{\mathfrak{A}}$ . If we define

$$\|\hat{x}\| = \lim_{\mathbb{U}} \|x_n\|, \quad \hat{x} \in \hat{\mathfrak{A}}, \quad (x_n) \in \hat{x},$$

$\hat{\mathfrak{A}}$  is a  $C^*$ -algebra with unit. Since the mapping  $S \mapsto \hat{S}$ , where  $\hat{S}\hat{x} = (Sx_n)^\wedge$  for  $(x_n) \in \hat{x}$ , is an isometric algebra homomorphism from  $\mathcal{L}(\mathfrak{A})$  into  $\mathcal{L}(\hat{\mathfrak{A}})$  ([11, V.1.3]),  $\hat{T}$  is uniformly ergodic on  $\hat{\mathfrak{A}}$  and we have  $\dim F(T) = \dim F(\hat{T})$ . Moreover,  $\hat{T}$  is a Schwarz mapping on  $\hat{\mathfrak{A}}$ . It is easy to see that the second adjoint  $\hat{T}^{**}$  of  $\hat{T}$  is a Schwarz mapping on the  $W^*$ -algebra  $\hat{\mathfrak{A}}^{**}$ . Therefore the assertion follows by using Theorem 2.2, Proposition 3.1 and Proposition 3.2.

(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (b): By the assumptions  $\sigma(T) \cap \Gamma = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m\}$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , and the residuum  $P_i$  of the resolvent  $R(\lambda, T)$  at  $\alpha_i$  is of finite rank. Thus  $Q = \sum_{i=1}^m P_i$  is of finite rank, too. Let  $T = Q + R$  where  $R = T(I_{\mathfrak{A}} - Q)$ . Then  $r(R) < 1$  so there is  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\|R^{n_0}\| < 1$ . But  $T^{n_0} = (Q + R)^{n_0} = S + R^{n_0}$  where  $S$  is compact. Hence there exists a compact operator  $K$  on  $\mathfrak{A}$  such that  $\|T^{n_0} - K\| < 1$ .

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (a): This follows from [3, VIII.8.4]. ■

3.4. REMARKS. (a) For more results concerning uniformly ergodic maps on  $W^*$ -algebras we refer to [5].

(b) In contrast to the commutative situation ([11, V.4.9, 5.5]) the peripheral spectrum of  $T$  in general is not a union of finite subgroups of  $\Gamma$ . To see this let  $M_n$  be the  $C^*$ -algebra of all  $n \times n$ -matrices and choose a unitary  $u \in M_n$ . Then for the identity preserving Schwarz operator  $T:=(x \mapsto uxu^*)$ ,  $x \in M_n$ , we obtain  $\sigma(T) = \{\lambda\mu^* : \lambda, \mu \in \sigma(u)\}$  which may be non-cyclic.

(c) If the fixed space of  $T$  is infinite-dimensional then there may exist elements of the peripheral spectrum of  $T$  which are not poles of the resolvent  $R(\lambda, T)$ . To see this let, for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $A_n$  be the positive operator on the (commutative)  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathbb{C}^2$  represented by the matrix

$$A_n = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 - n^{-1} & n^{-1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

If  $\mathfrak{A}$  is the  $l^*$ -product of  $\mathbb{C}^2$  and if, for  $x = (x_n) \in \mathfrak{A}$ ,  $Tx := (A_n x_n)$ , then  $T$  is an identity preserving Schwarz map with infinite-dimensional fixed space on the  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ , 1 is pole of the resolvent  $R(\lambda, T)$  and  $\sigma(T) = \{1\} \cup \{-1\} \cup$

$\{-1 + n^{-1} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . Thus  $-1$  is not isolated in  $\sigma(T)$  hence not a pole of the resolvent  $R(\lambda, T)$ .

(d) If we omit the assumption “ $|\alpha| = 1$ ” in Proposition 3.2(b), then  $\alpha$  is not necessarily a pole of the resolvent. For example, let  $S$  be an isometry with  $\sigma(S) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : |\alpha| \leq 1\}$  on a suitable Banach space  $F$ , let  $E = F \oplus \mathbb{C}$  and let  $T := S \oplus 0$ . Then  $\sigma(T) = \sigma(S)$ ,  $\ker(\hat{T})$  is finite-dimensional in  $\hat{E}$  but  $0$  is not a pole of the resolvent  $R(\lambda, T)$ .

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