

無限次元空間上の順序を保存する作用素の  
resolvent 方程式について

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## 1. Introduction

The Perron-Frobenius theorem, concerning the properties of eigenvalues and eigenvectors of square matrices whose components are nonnegative, has been extended and applied in various ways. Recently, in the interest of mathematical economics, nonlinear extensions have been obtained by H. Nikaido [5], M. Morishima [6], T. Fujimoto [7], Y. Oshime [8] [9] [10]. Many of them have been studied in a  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean space and the resolvent problem has been discussed in the nonlinear Leontief model.

In this paper, we extend their results to a mapping on an infinite dimensional space. In doing so, we introduced the notion of indecomposability for a nonlinear mapping on an infinite dimensional space. We consider the resolvent problem of an order-preserving mapping on a positive cone (a closed convex cone with vertex at 0) of a strongly ordered Banach space (an ordered Banach space with positive cone having nonempty interior). We define the resolvent mapping and study the solutions of the resolvent equation applying the results on eigenvalue problem which is obtained by the author. Though we deal with a class of positively homogeneous mappings in this paper, we obtain the same results on a more general class of subhomogeneous mappings along the argument of Y. Oshime [9] for a finite dimensional space.

## 2. Notations and assumptions

Let  $E$  be an ordered Banach space, that is, a real Banach space provided with an order cone  $E_+$  (a closed convex cone with vertex at 0 such that

$E_+ \cap (-E_+) = \{0\}$ ). We assume that  $E_+$  has nonempty interior (we call such a space a strongly ordered Banach space) and  $\dim E \geq 2$ . Let  $(E_+)^i$  denote the interior of  $E_+$  and  $(E_+)^b$  the boundary of  $E_+$ . Note that  $(E_+)^b \setminus \{0\}$  is not empty, which follows from  $\dim E \geq 2$ .

For  $x, y \in E$ , we write  $x \gg y$  if  $x - y \in (E_+)^i$ ,  $x > y$  if  $x - y \in E_+ \setminus \{0\}$ , and  $x \geq y$  if  $x - y \in E_+$ . For  $x \in E$ , we say  $x$  is strongly positive, positive, nonnegative if and only if  $x \gg 0, x > 0, x \geq 0$ , respectively.

We assume order-preserving norm on  $E$ , namely,  $0 \leq x \leq y$  implies  $\|x\| \leq \|y\|$ .

Fix  $e \gg 0$ ,  $e$ -norm can be defined on  $E$  as

$$\|x\|_e = \inf\{m \geq 0 \mid -me \leq x \leq me\},$$

because of closedness of  $E_+$

$$\|x\|_e = \min\{m \geq 0 \mid -me \leq x \leq me\}.$$

For each  $e \gg 0$ ,  $e$ -norm is well-defined and equivalent to the original norm.

Let  $T$  be a mapping from  $E_+$  into itself. We consider the following assumptions:

A1:(compact)  $T$  is continuous and the image of a bounded set by  $T$  is relatively compact,

A2:(positively homogeneous)

$$T(\lambda x) = \lambda Tx \quad \text{for any } \lambda > 0, x \geq 0,$$

A3:(order-preserving)

$$x \leq y \quad \text{implies} \quad Tx \leq Ty.$$

An order-preserving map  $T$  is also called monotone or isotone.

For  $x \geq 0$ , we denote

$$E_x = \{y \geq 0 \mid \exists \lambda > 0, y \leq \lambda x\}.$$

We can see that  $E_x = \{0\}$  if and only if  $x = 0$ , and  $E_x = E_+$  if and only if  $x \gg 0$ .

A4:(indecomposable)

$$\{0\} \subsetneq E_{x-y} \subsetneq E_+ \quad \text{implies} \quad Tx - Ty \notin E_{x-y}.$$

This is an infinite dimensional extension of indecomposability defined by M. Morishima [6], where  $E = R^n$ ,  $E_+ = R_+^n = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in R^n \mid x_i \geq 0, 0 \leq i \leq n\}$ . It is also an nonlinear extension of indecomposability found in M. A. Krasnosel'skiĭ [4] and order irreducibility for a linear operator introduced by H. Nikaido [5]. Furthermore, under the assumption A3, when  $T$  is a bounded linear operator,  $T$  is indecomposable if and only if  $T$  is irreducible [2], semi-non-support [3]. Strongly order-preserving mappings ( $x < y$  implies  $Tx \ll Ty$ ) are indecomposable.

We denote

$$\begin{aligned} VP(T) &= \{\lambda \mid \lambda \text{ is an eigenvalue of } T\} \\ &= \{\lambda \mid Tx = \lambda x \text{ for } \exists x > 0\}, \\ \lambda_0(T) &= \begin{cases} \sup\{\lambda \mid \lambda \in VP(T)\}, & (VP(T) \neq \emptyset), \\ -\infty, & (VP(T) = \emptyset), \end{cases} \\ \|T\| &= \sup\{\|Tx\| \mid x \in B_1\}. \end{aligned}$$

$\lambda_0(T)$  is called the spectral radius, as in the case of linear operators.

**Lemma 2.1** *Under the assumptions A2 and A3,  $\|T\| < +\infty$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T^n\|^{\frac{1}{n}}$  exists and satisfies  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T^n\|^{\frac{1}{n}} \leq \|T\|$ .*

Denote  $r(T) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T^n\|^{\frac{1}{n}}$ .

### 3. Fundamental results

We summarize the results obtained before.

**Theorem 3.1** *Suppose that  $T:E_+ \rightarrow E_+$  satisfies the assumptions A1,A2,A3, and  $r(T) > 0$ . Then  $r(T)$  is an eigenvalue of  $T$  and  $r(T) = \lambda_0(T)$ .*

**Theorem 3.2** *Let  $T$  satisfy the assumptions A1,A2,A3 and A4. Then  $r(T)$  is a positive eigenvalue having strongly positive eigenvectors uniquely without positive scalar multiplication. Moreover there is no other eigenvalue.*

Under some conditions,  $r(T)$  coincides with the maximal eigenvalue. Now we give a characterization of  $r(T)$ , which is a key to solve the resolvent problem.

**Theorem 3.3** *Let  $T$  satisfy the assumptions A1,A2,A3, then*

- (i)  $\lambda > r(T)$  if and only if there exists some  $x \gg 0$  such that  $Tx \ll \lambda x$ .
- (ii)  $\lambda \leq r(T)$  if and only if there exists some  $x > 0$  such that  $Tx \geq \lambda x$ .

*Further let  $T$  satisfy A4. Then*

- (iii)  $\lambda \geq r(T)$  if and only if there exists some  $x > 0$  such that  $Tx \leq \lambda x$ .
- (iv)  $\lambda < r(T)$  if and only if there exists some  $x \gg 0$  such that  $Tx \gg \lambda x$ .

#### 4. Resolvent problem

In this subsection, we treat the resolvent problem. We denote by  $R_\lambda(c)$  the set of the nonnegative solutions of the resolvent equation

$$\lambda x = Tx + c, \tag{1}$$

where  $\lambda$  is a nonnegative number and  $c$  is an element of  $E_+$ , that is,

$$R_\lambda(c) = \{x \geq 0 \mid \lambda x = Tx + c\}.$$

This defines a multivalued mapping  $R_\lambda$  can be defined  $E_+$  into itself:

$$R_\lambda:E_+ \rightarrow E_+,$$

which we call the resolvent mapping of  $T$  corresponding to  $\lambda$ . Throughout this paper the symbol  $\rightarrow$  is used to indicate the domain and the range of

a multivalued mapping. When the equation (1) has no solution for some  $\lambda \geq 0, c \geq 0$ , we define  $R_\lambda(c) = \emptyset$ .

In Theorem 4.1, it is shown that under the condition A1,A2,A3,  $R_\lambda(c) \neq \emptyset$  for all  $c \geq 0, \lambda > r(T)$ , on the other hand, the resolvent equation (1) has no nonnegative solution for any  $\lambda \leq r(T), c \gg 0$ .

By definition of  $R_\lambda$ , it is obvious that when  $R_\lambda(c) \neq \emptyset$  for all  $c \geq 0$  the composed mapping  $(\lambda I - T) \circ R_\lambda = I$  and  $R_\lambda \circ (\lambda I - T)|_{(\lambda I - T)^{-1}E_+ \cap E_+} \supseteq I|_{(\lambda I - T)^{-1}E_+ \cap E_+}$ , where  $I$  is the identical mapping on  $E_+$ ,  $T|_K$  means the restriction of  $T$  on a subset  $K$  of  $E_+$ .

**Theorem 4.1** *Suppose that  $T: E_+ \rightarrow E_+$  satisfies A1, A2, A3.*

(1) *Let  $\lambda > r(T)$  be fixed. Then the equation (1) is solvable for all  $c \geq 0$ , that is,  $R_\lambda(c)$  is not empty.  $R_\lambda(c)$  is a singleton if  $c \gg 0$  or  $c=0$ .*

*Moreover*

(1.1)  $R_\lambda$  is positively homogeneous ( $R_\lambda(\alpha c) = \alpha R_\lambda(c)$   $\alpha \geq 0, c \geq 0$ ).

(1.2)  $R_\lambda(c) \gg 0$  when  $c \gg 0$ .

(1.3)  $0 \ll R_\lambda(c) < R_\lambda(c')$  when  $0 \ll c < c'$ .

(1.4)  $R_\lambda$  continuously maps  $(E_+)^i \cup \{0\}$  into itself.

(1.5)  $R_\lambda(c)$  is not necessarily a singleton when  $c \in (E_+)^b \setminus \{0\}$ .

(1.6)  $R_\lambda(c)$  contains the limit of a converging sequence  $\{R_\lambda(c_n)\}$  which satisfies  $c_n \gg c$  and  $c_n \rightarrow c$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , that is,  $\lim_{c_n \downarrow c} R_\lambda(c_n) \in R_\lambda(c)$ .

*Moreover, this limit is independent of the choice of the sequence  $\{c_n\}$ .*

(1.7)  $R_\lambda: E_+ \rightarrow E_+$  is compact-valued and upper semicontinuous.

(2) *If  $R_\lambda(c)$  is not empty for some  $c \gg 0$ , then  $\lambda > r(T)$ .*

**Remark 4.2** *Under the condition of Theorem 4.1, for each  $\lambda > r(T)$*

(1.6) *shows that  $R_\lambda(c)$  contains  $\lim_{c_n \downarrow c} R_\lambda(c_n)$ . We denote this limit by  $\overline{R}_\lambda(c)$ .*

*Then a single-valued mapping  $\overline{R}_\lambda: E_+ \rightarrow E_+$  has the following properties:*

(1)  $R_\lambda(c) = \overline{R}_\lambda(c)$  when  $c \gg 0$  or  $c = 0$ ,

(2)  $0 \leq \overline{R}_\lambda(c) < \overline{R}_\lambda(c')$  when  $0 \leq c < c'$ ,

$$(3) \quad 0 \leq \overline{R}_\lambda(c) \ll \overline{R}_\lambda(c') \quad \text{when} \quad 0 \leq c \ll c'.$$

**Proof of Theorem 4.1 (1).** Let  $\lambda > r(T)$  be fixed. We begin with the solvability of the resolvent equation (1).

Since  $\lambda > r(T)$ , from Theorem 3.3 we can choose  $x_0 \gg 0$  such that  $Tx_0 \ll \lambda x_0$ , that is,

$$\left\| \frac{Tx_0}{\lambda} \right\|_{x_0} < 1.$$

Then, for each  $c \geq 0$ , there exists a sufficiently large  $M > 0$  such that

$$\left\| \frac{c}{\lambda M} \right\|_{x_0} < 1 - \left\| \frac{Tx_0}{\lambda} \right\|_{x_0}.$$

Thus

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} \left( Tx_0 + \frac{c}{M} \right) \leq x_0. \quad (2)$$

Therefore the compact mapping  $F$  defined as

$$Fx = \frac{1}{\lambda} \left( Tx + \frac{c}{M} \right)$$

leaves the interval  $[0, x_0]$  invariant. In fact,  $0 \leq x \leq x_0$  implies  $0 = T0 \leq Tx \leq Tx_0$ , then,

$$0 \leq \frac{c}{\lambda M} \leq \frac{1}{\lambda} \left( Tx + \frac{c}{M} \right) \leq \frac{1}{\lambda} \left( Tx_0 + \frac{c}{M} \right).$$

Hence, from (2)

$$0 \leq Fx \leq x_0.$$

Since  $F([0, x_0])$  is relatively compact,  $F$  continuously maps a compact set  $K$  into itself where  $K = \overline{\text{co}}(F([0, x_0])) \subseteq [0, x_0]$ . By virtue of Schauder's fixed points theorem,  $F$  has fixed points in  $K$ . Then there exists  $x_0 \in K \subseteq E_+$  such that

$$x_0 = Fx_0 = \frac{1}{\lambda} \left( Tx_0 + \frac{c}{M} \right),$$

that is,

$$\lambda(Mx_0) = T(Mx_0) + c.$$

This shows that  $Mx_0$  is a solution of the equation (1).

Next we prove that  $R_\lambda(c)$  is a singleton if  $c \gg 0$  or  $c = 0$ . Let  $c \gg 0$  and  $x, y \in R_\lambda(c)$ , where we can see  $x \gg 0, y \gg 0$  from the inequalities

$$\lambda x = Tx + c \geq c \gg 0, \quad \lambda y = Ty + c \geq c \gg 0. \quad (3)$$

If  $\|x\|_y > 1$ , then  $x \leq \|x\|_y y$  implies

$$\begin{aligned} Tx &\leq \|x\|_y Ty, \\ \lambda x - c &\leq \|x\|_y (\lambda y - c), \\ x &\leq \|x\|_y y + \frac{1 - \|x\|_y}{\lambda} c \\ &\leq \left( \|x\|_y + \frac{1 - \|x\|_y}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{1}{\|y\|_c} \right) y. \end{aligned}$$

By definition of  $y$ -norm to the contrary,

$$\|x\|_y \leq \|x\|_y + \frac{1 - \|x\|_y}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{1}{\|y\|_c} < \|x\|_y.$$

Thus  $\|x\|_y \leq 1$ , which means  $x \leq y$ . Similarly  $x \geq y$  can be shown, hence  $x = y$ . Therefore it is proved that the equation (1) has a unique solution.

When  $c = 0$ ,  $x = 0$  is a trivial solution. If there exists a positive solution  $x' > 0$ ,

$$\lambda x' = Tx'$$

means that  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $T$ . This implies  $\lambda \leq r(T)$ , which contradicts that  $\lambda > r(T)$ . Therefore  $x = 0$  is a unique solution.

When  $c \gg 0$  or  $c = 0$  we use the convenient notation

$$R_\lambda(c) = \{x_c\}.$$

Now we prove several properties of  $R_\lambda$  (1.1)–(1.7).

Positively homogeneity of  $R_\lambda$  is evident from the fact that

$$\lambda x = Tx + c$$

implies

$$\lambda \alpha x = T(\alpha x) + \alpha c \quad (\forall \alpha > 0).$$

The statement of (1.2) have been noted by (3).

We show the statement (1.3). Let  $0 \ll c < c'$ , then, as we have shown,  $R_\lambda(c), R_\lambda(c')$  are singletons and strongly positive. Further, it is clear that  $R_\lambda(c) \neq R_\lambda(c')$ . Assume that  $x_c < x_{c'}$  is not true. Then,  $\|x_c\|_{x_{c'}} > 1$  implies

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda x_c = Tx_c + c &\leq \|x_c\|_{x_{c'}} Tx_{c'} + c \\ &< \|x_c\|_{x_{c'}} Tx_{c'} + c' \\ &\ll \|x_c\|_{x_{c'}} Tx_{c'} + \|x_c\|_{x_{c'}} c' \\ &= \|x_c\|_{x_{c'}} (\lambda x_{c'}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$x_c \ll \|x_c\|_{x_{c'}} x_{c'},$$

which contradicts to definition of  $x_{c'}$ -norm. Hence we obtain

$$0 \ll x_c < x_{c'}.$$

We prove the continuity of  $R_\lambda$  on  $(E_+)^i \cup \{0\}$ . Let  $c_0 \in (E_+)^i \cup \{0\}$  and  $\{c_n\} \subseteq (E_+)^i \cup \{0\}$  such that  $c_n \rightarrow c_0$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ). Fix  $e \gg 0$ . Since  $\{c_n\}$  is bounded,  $\{c_n\}$  is also bounded in  $e$ -norm. Then, for a sufficiently large  $M > 0$ ,

$$c_n < Me \quad (\forall n \in N).$$

From (1.3)  $x_{c_n} \leq R_\lambda(Me)$ , which shows that  $\{x_{c_n}\}$  is also bounded. Since  $\{Tx_{c_n}\}$  is a relatively compact subset in  $E_+$ , there exists a subsequence  $\{Tx_{c_{n_j}}\} \subseteq \{Tx_{c_n}\}$ , the limit of which being denoted by  $z_0$ , then

$$Tx_{c_{n_j}} \rightarrow z_0 \quad (n_j \rightarrow \infty). \quad (4)$$

Hence, as  $n_j \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\lambda x_{c_{n_j}} = Tx_{c_{n_j}} + c_{n_j} \rightarrow z_0 + c,$$



which means

$$x_{c_{n_j}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\lambda}(z_0 + c).$$

Therefore

$$Tx_{c_{n_j}} \rightarrow T\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}(z_0 + c)\right) \quad (n_j \rightarrow \infty).$$

From this and (4) it must be that  $z_0 = T\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}(z_0 + c)\right)$ , that is,

$$\lambda\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}(z_0 + c)\right) = z_0 + c = T\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}(z_0 + c)\right) + c.$$

Therefore

$$x_{c_{n_j}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\lambda}(z_0 + c) = R_\lambda(c).$$

This shows  $\lim_{n_j \rightarrow \infty} R_\lambda(c_{n_j}) = R_\lambda(c)$ .

As  $R_\lambda(c)$  is a singleton, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_\lambda(c_n) = R_\lambda(c).$$

Hereafter we consider the case  $c \geq 0$ .

See Remark 1 of Y. Osime [10] for the detail of the statement (1.5).

We prove the statement (1.6). Take a sequence  $\{c_n\}$  such that  $c_n \gg c$  which converges to  $c$ . Since  $\{c_n\}$  is bounded, from (1.3) we can see that  $\{x_{c_n}\}$  is also bounded and hence  $\{T(x_{c_n})\}$  is a relatively compact set in  $E_+$ . Then there exists a subsequence  $\{T(x_{c_{n_j}})\} \subseteq \{T(x_{c_n})\}$  with the limit  $z_0 \in E_+$ , namely,

$$Tx_{c_{n_j}} \rightarrow z_0 \in E_+ \quad (n_j \rightarrow \infty).$$

In a similar fashion to that in the proof of the continuity of  $R_\lambda$ , the equality

$$\lambda\left(\frac{z_0 + c}{\lambda}\right) = z_0 + c = T\left(\frac{z_0 + c}{\lambda}\right) + c,$$

holds, that is,

$$\lim_{c_{n_j} \downarrow c} R_\lambda(c_{n_j}) = \frac{1}{\lambda}(z_0 + c) \in R_\lambda(c).$$

This limit does not depend on the choice of  $\{c_{n_j}\}$ . In fact, if we have two subsequences  $\{c_{n_j}\}, \{c_{n_{j'}}\}$  where

$$\lim_{c_{n_j} \downarrow c} R_\lambda(c_{n_j}) = x_0, \quad \lim_{c_{n_{j'}} \downarrow c} R_\lambda(c_{n_{j'}}) = x'_0 \in R_\lambda(c). \quad (5)$$

Let us make a new subsequence  $\{c_{n_{j''}}\}$  of  $\{c_n\}$  combining them such that  $c_{n_{j''}} \in \{c_{n_j}\}$  when  $n_{j''}$  is odd,  $c_{n_{j''}} \in \{c_{n_{j'}}\}$  when  $n_{j''}$  is even and  $c_{n_{j''}} > c_{n_{j''}+1} > c_{n_{j''}+2} \gg c$ . Then, using (1.3), we can note

$$x_{c_{n_{j''}}} > x_{c_{n_{j''}+1}} > x_{c_{n_{j''}+2}} > \dots$$

On the other hand, from (5)

$$x_{n_{j''}} \rightarrow x_0 \quad (n_{j''} \text{ is odd}), \quad x_{n_{j''}} \rightarrow x'_0 \quad (n_{j''} \text{ is even}).$$

Therefore,  $x_0 = x'_0$  follows from the closedness of  $E_+$  and  $E_+ \cap (-E_+) = \{0\}$ . We have proved  $x_{c_n} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\lambda}(z_0 + c) \in R_\lambda(c)$ .

Moreover, in the same way as above, we can show that  $\lim_{c_n \downarrow c} R_\lambda(c)$  is independent of the choice of  $\{c_n\}$  which satisfies  $c_n \gg c$  and  $c_n \rightarrow c$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Thus we have completed the proof of (1.6).

Finally we show (1.7). It is clear that  $R_\lambda$  is compact-valued and upper semicontinuous on  $(E_+)^i \cup \{0\}$  from (1.4). Fix  $e \gg 0$ . Then, in the same way as in the proof of (1.3),

$$x_c \leq R_\lambda(c + e) \quad (\forall x_c \in R_\lambda(c))$$

can be obtained. This shows that  $R_\lambda(c)$  is bounded, and

$$R_\lambda(c) = \frac{1}{\lambda} T R_\lambda(c) + \frac{c}{\lambda}$$

implies that  $R_\lambda(c)$  is a relatively compact set. Moreover  $R_\lambda(c)$  is closed, which follows from the fact that  $T$  is continuous. Therefore  $R_\lambda(c)$  is compact. Next we prove that  $R_\lambda: E_+ \rightarrow E_+$  is upper semicontinuous.

Since  $R_\lambda$  is compact-valued, it is sufficient to show that if  $c_n \rightarrow c$  and  $x_n \in R_\lambda(c_n)(\forall n)$ , there exists some converging subsequence  $\{x_{n_j}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  with the limit in  $R_\lambda(c)$ . Let  $c_n \rightarrow c$  and  $x_n \in R_\lambda(c_n)$ . Fix a sufficiently large  $e \gg 0$  such that  $c_n \leq c + e(\forall n)$ . Repeating the above argument leads

$$x_n = \frac{Tx_n}{\lambda} + \frac{c_n}{\lambda} \leq R_\lambda(c + e) \quad (\forall n),$$

which implies that  $\{x_n\}$  is relatively compact. Then  $\{x_n\}$  contains a converging subsequence  $\{x_{n_j}\}$  with the limit in  $R_\lambda(c)$ . In fact, let denote the limit by  $x_0$ , then, as  $n_j \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$c_{n_j} \rightarrow c, \quad x_{n_j} \rightarrow x_0, \quad Tx_{n_j} \rightarrow Tx_0,$$

which implies

$$\lambda x_0 = Tx_0 + c.$$

This shows  $x_0 \in R_\lambda(c)$ . We have completed the proof.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 4.1 (2).** Let the condition be satisfied, that is, we have  $c \gg 0$  and  $x \geq 0$  such that

$$\lambda x = Tx + c.$$

Then  $\lambda x \geq c \gg 0$  implies  $x \gg 0$  and  $\lambda x = Tx + c \gg Tx$ . Applying Theorem 3.3, we obtain  $\lambda > r(T)$ .  $\square$

**Proof of Remark 4.2.** The statement (1) is clear because  $R_\lambda(c)$  is a singleton if  $c \gg 0$  or  $c = 0$ . We prove the statements (2),(3). It is clear that each  $x \geq 0$  cannot be a solution of the equation (1) for different  $c, c' \geq 0$ . This means  $\overline{R_\lambda}(c) \neq \overline{R_\lambda}(c')$  when  $c \neq c'$ . Let  $0 \leq c < c'$ . Let  $e \gg 0$  be fixed, then, for each  $\epsilon > 0$ ,

$$0 \ll c + \epsilon e < c' + \epsilon e.$$

From (1.3) we have

$$0 \ll R_\lambda(c + \epsilon e) < R_\lambda(c' + \epsilon e) \quad (\forall \epsilon > 0).$$

Because  $c \neq c'$  implies  $\overline{R_\lambda}(c) \neq \overline{R_\lambda}(c')$ , as  $\epsilon \downarrow 0$  we obtain

$$0 \leq \overline{R_\lambda}(c) < \overline{R_\lambda}(c').$$

Let now  $0 \leq c \ll c'$ . For a sufficiently small  $\epsilon > 0$ ,

$$0 \leq c < (1 - \epsilon)c' \ll c'.$$

From (1.1) and the fact  $R_\lambda(c') \gg 0$ , we can prove

$$0 \leq \overline{R_\lambda}(c) < (1 - \epsilon)R_\lambda(c') \ll R_\lambda(c'). \quad \square$$

Besides we inquire into the problem when  $T$  is indecomposable. For each  $\lambda > r(T)$ , the resolvent mapping  $R_\lambda$  which is defined as a single-valued mapping is continuous, positively homogeneous, strongly order-preserving ( $x < y$  implies  $R_\lambda(x) \ll R_\lambda(y)$ ) and hence indecomposable. The resolvent equation (1) has no nonnegative solution for any  $\lambda \leq r(T), c > 0$ .

**Theorem 4.3** *In addition to the assumptions in Theorem 4.1, assume further that A4 holds.*

(1) *Let  $\lambda > r(T)$  be fixed. Then  $R_\lambda(c)$  is a singleton for all  $c \geq 0$ , and  $R_\lambda: E_+ \rightarrow E_+$  is also an indecomposable and continuous mapping.*

$$(1.1) \quad R_\lambda(c) \gg 0 \quad \text{when} \quad c > 0.$$

$$(1.2) \quad R_\lambda(c) \ll R_\lambda(c') \quad \text{when} \quad 0 \leq c < c'.$$

(2) *If  $R_\lambda(c)$  is not empty for some  $c > 0$ , then  $\lambda > r(T)$ .*

**Proof of Theorem 4.3 (1).** Let  $\lambda > r(T)$  be fixed. It is clear that  $R_\lambda(c)$  is a singleton if  $c \gg 0$  or  $c = 0$  from the preceding theorem. We consider the case  $c \in (E_+)^b \setminus \{0\}$ . Assume that there exist  $x, y \in R_\lambda(c)$ , then it is clear that  $x, y$  are linearly independent. Since

$$\lambda x = Tx + c, \quad \lambda y = Ty + c$$

implies  $\lambda x \geq c > 0, \lambda y \geq c > 0$ , we have  $x, y > 0$ . Further,  $\lambda x \geq Tx, \lambda y \geq Ty$  means  $E_x = E_y = E_+$  by the definition of indecomposability. Then we

can note  $x, y \gg 0$ .

Hence, we have  $x \leq \|x\|_y y$  which satisfies  $\{0\} \subsetneq E_{\|x\|_y y - x} \subsetneq E_+$ . From the assumption A4

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\|x\|_y y - x} &\not\subseteq \|x\|_y T y - T x \\ &= \|x\|_y (\lambda y - c) - (\lambda x - c) \\ &= \lambda (\|x\|_y y - x) + (1 - \|x\|_y) c. \end{aligned}$$

This shows  $1 - \|x\|_y > 0$ , that is,  $x \ll y$ . we can similarly obtain the opposite inequality  $y \ll x$ . This is a contradiction. Thus  $R_\lambda(c)$  is single-valued for each  $c \geq 0$ .

Since  $R_\lambda(c) \gg 0$  provided  $c > 0$  as we have shown as above, the statement (1.1) is true.

Next we prove (1.2). Let  $0 \leq c < c'$ . From Theorem 4.1 it is clear that

$$0 \leq R_\lambda(c) < R_\lambda(c').$$

We prove  $R_\lambda(c) \ll R_\lambda(c')$ . Assume that  $\{0\} \subsetneq E_{x_{c'} - x_c} \subsetneq E_+$ , where  $x_c, x_{c'}$  are convenient notations of  $R_\lambda(c), R_\lambda(c')$  defined in the proof of the preceding theorem, respectively. Then, by the assumption A4, we have

$$\begin{aligned} E_{x_{c'} - x_c} &\not\subseteq T x_{c'} - T x_c \\ &= (\lambda x_{c'} - c') - (\lambda x_c - c) \\ &= \lambda (x_{c'} - x_c) - (c' - c) \\ &\leq \lambda (x_{c'} - x_c). \end{aligned}$$

This is a contradiction.

We can see that  $R_\lambda$  is indecomposable by the property (1.2). In fact, let  $\{0\} \subsetneq E_{y-x} \subsetneq E_+$ . Then from (1.2) we have  $R_\lambda(x) \ll R_\lambda(y)$ , which shows

$$0 \ll R_\lambda(y) - R_\lambda(x) \notin E_{y-x}.$$

Since  $R_\lambda$  is single-valued and upper semicontinuous in the sense of a multi-valued mapping from Theorem 4.1 (1.7),  $R_\lambda$  is clearly continuous regarded

as a single-valued mapping. □

**Proof of Theorem 4.3 (2).** Let the condition be satisfied, that is, we have  $c > 0$  and  $x \geq 0$  such that

$$\lambda x = Tx + c.$$

Then, since  $\lambda x \geq c > 0$ , it must be that  $x > 0$ , and since  $\lambda x > Tx$ , it must be that  $x \gg 0$  by the indecomposability of  $T$ .

From Theorem 3.2 it is shown that  $r(T)$  is an eigenvalue of  $T$  with a strongly positive eigenvector. Let  $x_0 \gg 0$  be the eigenvector. If  $x$  and  $x_0$  are linearly dependent, we have

$$\lambda x > Tx = r(T)x,$$

which implies  $\lambda > r(T)$ . If  $x$  and  $x_0$  are linearly independent, we have

$$x_0 \leq \|x_0\|_x x,$$

where  $\{0\} \subsetneq E_{\|x_0\|_x x - x_0} \subsetneq E_+$ . From the indecomposability of  $T$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\|x_0\|_x x - x_0} &\not\subseteq \|x_0\|_x Tx - Tx_0 \\ &\leq \|x_0\|_x \lambda x - r(T)x_0 \\ &= \lambda(\|x_0\|_x x - \frac{r(T)}{\lambda}x_0). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we obtain  $\frac{r(T)}{\lambda} < 1$ , namely,  $r(T) < \lambda$ . □

Next we consider the relation between  $\lambda$  and  $R_\lambda(c)$ , where  $c \geq 0$  is given.

**Theorem 4.4** *Let  $T$  satisfy the assumptions A1, A2, A3, and  $c$  be an arbitrarily fixed element in  $E_+$ . Then the multivalued mapping  $R_\lambda(c)$  on  $[0, \infty)$  is compact-valued and upper semicontinuous on  $(r(T), \infty)$ .*

*In case  $c \gg 0$ , the following statements hold:*

- (i)  $\lambda \leq r(T)$  implies  $R_\lambda(c) = \emptyset$ ,

- (ii)  $r(T) < \lambda' < \lambda$  implies  $0 \ll R_\lambda(c) < R_{\lambda'}(c)$ ,
- (iii)  $\lim_{\lambda \downarrow r(T)} \|R_\lambda(c)\| = \infty$ .

**Theorem 4.5** *Let  $T$  satisfy the assumptions A1,A2,A3,A4, and  $c$  be an arbitrarily fixed element in  $E_+$ . Then  $R_\lambda(c)$  is single-valued and continuous on  $(r(T), \infty)$ .*

*In case  $c > 0$ , the following statements hold:*

- (i)  $\lambda \leq r(T)$  implies  $R_\lambda(c) = \emptyset$ ,
- (ii)  $r(T) < \lambda' < \lambda$  implies  $0 \ll R_\lambda(c) \ll R_{\lambda'}(c)$ ,
- (iii)  $\lim_{\lambda \downarrow r(T)} \|R_\lambda(c)\| = \infty$ .

**Proof of Theorem 4.5.** The proof is similar to that of Theorem 4.4.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 4.4.** It is clear that  $R_\lambda(c)$  is a nonempty compact set for each  $\lambda > r(T)$ ,  $c \geq 0$ , and a singleton for each  $\lambda > r(T)$ ,  $c \gg 0$  from Theorem 4.1 (1).

Fix  $c \gg 0$ . Then the statement (i) is true by Theorem 4.1 (2). Let  $\{x_\lambda\} = R_\lambda(c)$ ,  $\{x_{\lambda'}\} = R_{\lambda'}(c)$  where  $r(T) < \lambda' < \lambda$ . Suppose that the statement (ii) is not true. Then we have  $\|x_\lambda\|_{x_{\lambda'}} > 1$ , since  $x_\lambda, x_{\lambda'} \gg 0$ . On the other hand,  $x_\lambda \leq \|x_\lambda\|_{x_{\lambda'}} x_{\lambda'}$  implies

$$\begin{aligned} Tx_\lambda &\leq \|x_\lambda\|_{x_{\lambda'}} Tx_{\lambda'} \\ \lambda x_\lambda - c &\leq \|x_\lambda\|_{x_{\lambda'}} (\lambda' x_{\lambda'} - c). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} x_\lambda &\leq \|x_\lambda\|_{x_{\lambda'}} \frac{\lambda'}{\lambda} x_\lambda + \frac{(1 - \|x_\lambda\|_{x_{\lambda'}})c}{\lambda} \\ &\leq \|x_\lambda\|_{x_{\lambda'}} x_\lambda + \frac{(1 - \|x_\lambda\|_{x_{\lambda'}})c}{\lambda} \\ &\ll \|x_\lambda\|_{x_{\lambda'}} x_\lambda, \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction. We proved the statement (ii).

Now we show that the compact-valued mapping  $\lambda \mapsto R_\lambda(c)$  is upper semicontinuous on  $(r(T), \infty)$  for any  $c \geq 0$ . Let  $c \geq 0$  be fixed and  $\lambda_n \rightarrow \lambda_0$  where  $\lambda_n, \lambda_0 \in (r(T), \infty)$ . As we mentioned in the proof of Theorem 4.1 (1), for any fixed  $e \gg 0$  and  $\lambda > r(T)$ ,

$$x < R_\lambda(c + e) \quad (\forall x \in R_\lambda(c)).$$

By the statement (ii), for a sufficiently small  $M > r(T)$  such that  $\lambda_n > M$  ( $\forall n$ ),

$$x < R_{\lambda_n}(c + e) < R_M(c + e) \quad (\forall x \in R_{\lambda_n}(c)).$$

Then, in the same way as in the proof of Theorem 4.1 (1), we can choose a converging subsequence  $\{x_{n_j}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  where  $x_n \in R_{\lambda_n}(c)$ , the limit of which is contained in  $R_{\lambda_0}(c)$ . Thus we can show that  $R_\lambda(c)$  is upper semicontinuous on  $(r(T), \infty)$ .

Last we prove that the statement (iii). Fix  $c \gg 0$  and assume that there exists a sequence  $\{R_{\lambda_n}(c)\}$  such that  $\|R_{\lambda_n}(c)\|$  is bounded and  $\lambda_n \downarrow r(T)$ . Since  $T$  is compact,  $\{TR_{\lambda_n}(c)\}$  contains a converging subsequence  $\{TR_{\lambda_{n_j}}(c)\}$ , the limit of which we denote by  $x_0$ . Then  $\lambda_n R_{\lambda_n}(c) = TR_{\lambda_n}(c) + c$  implies, as  $n_j \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\lambda_{n_j} R_{\lambda_{n_j}}(c) \rightarrow x_0 + c \gg 0.$$

Thus we can see that  $r(T) > 0$  and

$$R_{\lambda_{n_j}}(c) \rightarrow \frac{x_0 + c}{r(T)} \quad (n_j \rightarrow \infty).$$

Hence  $T\left(\frac{x_0 + c}{r(T)}\right) = x_0$ , that is,  $T\left(\frac{x_0 + c}{r(T)}\right) + c = r(T) \cdot \frac{x_0 + c}{r(T)}$ . This means  $\frac{x_0 + c}{r(T)} \in R_{r(T)}(c)$ , which contradicts to Theorem 4.1 (2). We have completed the proof.  $\square$



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