

- **So far:** Discrete Semigroup Representation:

$$\mathcal{T} : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(C), \quad n \mapsto T^n$$

for  $T$  positive Schwarz-Operator on  $C^*$ -Algebra  $C$

- **Now:** Strongly Continuous Semigroup Representation

$$T : \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(C), \quad t \mapsto T(t)$$

with  $T(t)$  positive on commutative, unital  $C^*$ -Algebra  $C$

- Short Notation:  $((T(t))_{t \geq 0})$  is  $C_0$ -Semigroup on  $C$
- By Gelfand-Naimark:  $\exists K$  compact Hausdorff-space s.t.:  
 $C \cong C(K)$

# Characterisation of positive $C_0$ -(Semi)groups on $C(K)$

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- Characterisation in terms of:
  - Expression for each  $T(t)$
  - Property of generator  $A$
- **Reminder:** Generator of  $C_0$ -Semigroup  $(T(t))_{t \geq 0}$

$$D(A) := \{x \in C \mid \lim_{t \searrow 0} \frac{T(t)x - x}{t} \text{ exists}\}$$

$$Ax := \lim_{t \searrow 0} \frac{T(t)x - x}{t}$$

## Definition 1.1

$K$  compact Hausdorff space.  $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow C(K, K)$ ,  $t \mapsto \varphi_t$  is called **continuous semiflow on  $K$**  if:

- 1  $\varphi_0 = \text{id}_K$
- 2  $\varphi_{s+t} = \varphi_s \circ \varphi_t \quad \forall s, t \geq 0$
- 3  $[0, \infty) \times K \ni (t, x) \mapsto \varphi_t(x)$  is continuous

## Definition 1.2

$C$   $C^*$ -Algebra,  $(A, D(A))$  linear operator on  $C$ .  $A$  is called **derivation** if:

- 1  $D(A)$  is  $*$ -Algebra
- 2  $A$  is involutive
- 3  $A(fg) = (Af)g + f(Ag) \quad \forall f, g \in D(A)$

## Theorem 1.3

$K$  compact Hausdorff space,  $(T(t))_{t \geq 0}$   $C_0$ -Semigroup on  $C(K)$  with generator  $A$ . Equivalent:

- 1  $T(t)$   $*$ -Homomorphism  $\forall t \geq 0$
- 2  $A$  is a derivation
- 3  $(T(t))_{t \geq 0}$  is a Koopman-semigroup<sup>a</sup>, i.e.  $\exists \varphi$  continuous semiflow on  $K$  s.t.:  $T(t)f = f \circ \varphi_t \forall t \geq 0$

<sup>a</sup>Bernard Osgood Koopman (1900–1981), French-American Mathematician

# (1) $\Leftrightarrow$ (3): Connection to dynamical systems

- We have seen:

$(C(K), \mathbb{R}, T)$   $C^*$ -dynamical system  $\Leftrightarrow$   $(K, \mathbb{R}, \varphi)$  topological dynamical system:  $T(t)f = f \circ \varphi_t$



$(T(t))_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$   $C_0$ -group of  $*$ -Homomorphisms on  $C(K)$



$(\varphi_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$  continuous flow on  $K$ ,  
i.e.  $(T(t))_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$  Koopman-group

## Theorem 1.4

$K$  compact Hausdorff space,  $(T(t))_{t \geq 0}$   $C_0$ -Semigroup on  $C(K)$  with generator  $A$ . Equivalent:

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- 2  $A$  is a derivation
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# (1) $\Leftrightarrow$ (2): Sketch of Proof

- (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2):

$$A(fg) = \lim_{t \searrow 0} \frac{T(t)(fg) - fg}{t} = \lim_{t \searrow 0} \frac{(T(t)f)(T(t)g) - fg}{t}$$

- Use Product Rule

## Definition 1.5

$C$   $C^*$ -Algebra,  $(A, D(A))$  linear operator on  $C$ .  $A$  is called **derivation** if:

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- 2  $A$  is involutive
- 3  $A(fg) = (Af)g + f(Ag) \quad \forall f, g \in D(A)$

# (1) $\Leftrightarrow$ (2): Sketch of Proof

- (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1):

- Multiplicativity:

$$\eta : [0, t] \rightarrow C(K), \eta(s) := T(t-s)((T(s)f)(T(s)g)) \quad f, g \in D(A)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \eta(0) = T(t)(fg) \\ \eta(t) = (T(t)f)(T(t)g) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{Suffices to show : } \eta(0) = \eta(t)$$

- To that end:

- verify  $\eta'(s) = 0 \forall s \in [0, t]$  + Hahn-Banach + Mean Value Theorem
- $T(t)$  involutive works similarly

- (1) and (2) in Theorem 1.3 are also equivalent in non-commutative  $C^*$ -Algebras
- New object to characterize dynamics on  $C^*$ -Algebras: Generators of  $C_0$ -(Semi)groups
- **Question:** When is a derivation on a  $C^*$ -Algebra a generator?<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>See: D. Evans. [Quantum dynamical semigroups, symmetry groups, and locality.](#)

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- 1 There more characterisation theorems, for instance
  - For arbitrary positive  $C_0$ -Group on  $C(K)$ :
    - $A = V\delta V^{-1} + h$  where  $h, V \in C(K)$ ,  $V > 0$  and  $\delta$  derivation and generator of  $C_0$ -Group on  $C(K)$
    - $(T(t)f)(x) = g_t(x)f(\varphi_t(x))$  where  $(\varphi_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$  continuous semiflow and  $(g_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$  continuous cocycle
  - For  $K = [a, b]$  : One can show:  $\delta$  first order differential operator
  - All previous theorems also work on  $C_0(X)$  for  $X$  locally compact

- More characterisations can be found in Part B.II and D.II in [1]

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