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**Geometria.** — *Analyticity of the Spectral Multi-Function in Topological Algebras.* Nota di ENRICO CASADIO TARABUSI (\*), presentata (\*\*) dal Corrisp. E. VESENTINI.

RIASSUNTO. — Se  $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$  è un'applicazione ologomorfa di un dominio di  $\mathbf{C}$  in un'algebra topologica che gode di certe proprietà, si dimostra che la multifunzione «spettro»  $\sigma \circ f: \Omega \rightarrow 2^{\mathbf{C}}$  è analitica secondo Oka.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $\Omega$  be a domain in  $\mathbf{C}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}$  a complex Banach space,  $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B})$  the complex Banach algebra of continuous endomorphisms of  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $2^{\mathbf{C}}$  the family of subsets of  $\mathbf{C}$ ,  $\sigma: \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B}) \rightarrow 2^{\mathbf{C}}$  the multifunction "spectrum" (mapping  $x \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B})$  into its spectrum  $\sigma(x)$ ). According to [7, p. 371, Corollary 3.3.], if  $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B})$  is a holomorphic map, then the multifunction  $\sigma \circ f: \Omega \rightarrow 2^{\mathbf{C}}$  is analytic in the sense of Oka (i.e.  $\sigma \circ f$  is upper semi-continuous and each connected component of the open set  $D = \{(\lambda, z) \in \Omega \times \mathbf{C} \mid z \notin \sigma(f(\lambda))\}$  in  $\mathbf{C}^2$  is a domain of holomorphy). A partial converse to the above statement is also proved in the same paper [p. 365, Theorem IV.]: given an analytic multifunction  $\sigma: \Omega \rightarrow 2^{\mathbf{C}}$  (taking its values among the non-empty compact subsets of  $\mathbf{C}$ ), there exist a complex Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  and a holomorphic map  $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$  such that  $s \equiv \sigma \circ f$  on  $\Omega$ , provided  $\Omega$  is bounded and  $s$  is uniformly bounded on  $\Omega$  (i.e.  $\sup_{\lambda \in \Omega} \max_{z \in s(\lambda)} |z| < \infty$ ). We shall show here that the Oka-analyticity of the spectrum is a property of a class of topological algebras which is larger than that of Banach algebras.

## 2. SEMI-CONTINUITY OF THE SPECTRUM

We shall give first a characterization of complex topological algebras whose spectrum is upper semi-continuous, thus establishing the reverse implication of [11, p. 63, Lemma 5.2.]. Let us recall some definitions.

**DEFINITION 1.** Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be a complex topological algebra. A multifunction  $\Sigma: \mathcal{U} \rightarrow 2^{\mathbf{C}}$  is said to be upper semi-continuous (u.s.c.) if, for any  $x \in \mathcal{U}$  and any neighbourhood  $A$  of  $\Sigma(x)$  in  $\mathbf{C}$  there exists  $U \in \mathcal{N}_0$  ( $\mathcal{N}_0$  being the family of 0-neighbourhoods in  $\mathcal{U}$ ) such that  $y \in U$  implies  $\Sigma(x + y) \subseteq A$ .

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Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be a complex algebra. Set  $x \circ y = x + y - x \cdot y$ , for any  $x, y \in \mathcal{U}$ : an element  $x \in \mathcal{U}$  is *quasi-regular* (q. r.) if a (unique)  $x' \in \mathcal{U}$  exists so that  $x \circ x' = x' \circ x = 0$  ( $x'$  is the *quasi-inverse* of  $x$ ); and  $\mathcal{U}'$  is the set of q.r. elements of  $\mathcal{U}$ . If  $\mathcal{U}$  has an identity element  $e$  (i.e.  $\mathcal{U}$  is *unital*), then  $e - x \circ y = (e - x) \cdot (e - y)$  for every  $x, y \in \mathcal{U}$ : thus  $x$  is q.r. if and only if  $e - x$  is invertible, in which case  $(e - x)^{-1} = e - x'$ . So, if  $\mathcal{U}^{-1}$  is the set of invertible elements in  $\mathcal{U}$ , then  $\mathcal{U}^{-1} = e - \mathcal{U}'$ .

The spectrum  $\sigma_{\mathcal{U}}(x) = \sigma(x)$  in  $\mathcal{U}$  of an element  $x \in \mathcal{U}$  is thus defined:  $\sigma(x) \setminus \{0\} = \{z \in \mathbb{C}^* \mid \frac{x}{z} \notin \mathcal{U}'\}$ ; and  $0 \in \sigma(x)$  if and only if  $\mathcal{U}$  is unital and  $x \in \mathcal{U}^{-1}$ . If  $\mathcal{U}$  is unital we have  $\sigma(x) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid ze - x \in \mathcal{U}^{-1}\}$ .

DEFINITION 2. A complex topological algebra  $\mathcal{U}$  is said to be Q if  $\mathcal{U}'$  (or, equivalently,  $\mathcal{U}^{-1}$  if  $\mathcal{U}$  is unital) is open in  $\mathcal{U}$ .

If  $\mathcal{U}$  is a complex algebra without identity element, let  $\check{\mathcal{U}}$  be the complex algebra  $\mathcal{U} \oplus \mathbb{C}$  where  $(x, \mu) \cdot (y, \nu) = (x \cdot y + \nu x + \mu y, \mu\nu)$ , for any  $(x, \mu), (y, \nu) \in \check{\mathcal{U}}$ . Thus  $\check{\mathcal{U}}$  is unital,  $(0, 1)$  being its identity element; and  $\mathcal{U}$  is identified with its two-sided regular maximal ideal  $\mathcal{U} \times \{0\}$ . Moreover  $\check{\mathcal{U}}' = \left\{ (x, \mu) \in \check{\mathcal{U}} \mid \mu \neq 1, \frac{x}{1-\mu} \in \mathcal{U}' \right\}$  (in particular,  $\check{\mathcal{U}}' \cap \mathcal{U} = \mathcal{U}'$ ): if  $(x, \mu) \in \check{\mathcal{U}}'$ , then  $(x, \mu)' = \left( \frac{1}{1-\mu} \left( \frac{x}{1-\mu} \right)', \frac{\mu}{\mu-1} \right)$  (in particular,  $(x, 0)' = (x', 0)$  for every  $x \in \mathcal{U}'$ ). So  $\sigma_{\check{\mathcal{U}}}((x, \mu)) = \sigma_{\mathcal{U}}(x) + \mu$  for every  $(x, \mu) \in \check{\mathcal{U}}$  (in particular,  $\sigma_{\check{\mathcal{U}}}((x, 0)) = \sigma_{\mathcal{U}}(x)$  for every  $x \in \mathcal{U}$ ). It is thus evident that, if  $\mathcal{U}$  is also a topological algebra ( $\check{\mathcal{U}}$  has then the product topology, and  $\mathcal{U}$  is closed in  $\check{\mathcal{U}}$ ),  $\mathcal{U}$  is Q if and only if  $\check{\mathcal{U}}$  is; and the multifunction spectrum  $\sigma_{\mathcal{U}}: \mathcal{U} \rightarrow 2^{\mathbb{C}}$  is u.s.c. if and only if  $\sigma_{\check{\mathcal{U}}}: \check{\mathcal{U}} \rightarrow 2^{\mathbb{C}}$  is. Moreover, the map  $x \mapsto x': \mathcal{U}' \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$  is continuous if and only if  $(x, \mu) \mapsto (x, \mu)': \check{\mathcal{U}}' \rightarrow \check{\mathcal{U}}$  is: this fact will be used in Theorem 6. below. Therefore we shall only consider *unital* algebras in our proofs.

PROPOSITION 3. Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be a complex topological algebra. Then  $\mathcal{U}$  is Q if and only if the multifunction spectrum is u.s.c. on  $\mathcal{U}$ .

*Proof.* If  $\mathcal{U}$  is not Q, then (see [4, p. 77, Lemma E.2.])  $\mathcal{U}'$  has empty interior. Therefore, for any  $U \in N_0$  there exists  $x \in U \setminus \mathcal{U}'$ : that is to say,  $1 \in \sigma(x)$ . But  $\sigma(0) = \{0\}$ .

Conversely, suppose  $\mathcal{U}$  is (unital and) Q, and let  $x \in \mathcal{U}$ : then (see [4, p. 77, Lemma E.3.])  $\sigma(x)$  is a compact subset of  $\mathbb{C}$ . It will suffice to show that for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $U \in N_0$  such that  $y \in U$  implies  $\sigma(x + y) \subseteq A_{\varepsilon}$ , where  $A_{\varepsilon}$  is the open set  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid \text{dist}(z, \sigma(x)) < \varepsilon\}$  ( $A_{\varepsilon}$  is empty if so is  $\sigma(x)$ ).

Let us first prove the existence of  $R > 0$  and  $U_\infty \in N_0$  such that  $y \in U_\infty$  implies  $\sigma(x + y) \subseteq \overline{B(0, R)}$  (we shall denote with  $B(z, r)$  the open ball  $\{\zeta \in \mathbf{C} \mid |\zeta - z| < r\}$ ). Since  $0 \in \mathcal{U}'$ , there exists  $V_\infty \in N_0$  such that  $V_\infty \subseteq \mathcal{U}'$ . Therefore there exist: a balanced  $U_\infty \in N_0$  such that  $U_\infty + U_\infty \subseteq V_\infty$ ; and a positive  $r_\infty < 1$  such that  $w \in B(0, r_\infty)$  implies  $wx \in U_\infty$ . Set  $R = \frac{1}{r_\infty}$ : if  $y \in U$  and  $z \in \mathbf{C} \setminus \overline{B(0, R)}$ , we have  $\left| \frac{1}{z} \right| < \frac{1}{R} = r_\infty \leq 1$ , so  $\frac{x+y}{z} = \frac{1}{z}x + \frac{1}{z}y \in U_\infty + \frac{1}{z}U_\infty \subseteq U_\infty + U_\infty \subseteq V_\infty \subseteq \mathcal{U}'$ , that is,  $z \notin \sigma(x + y)$ .

Now let  $\varepsilon > 0$ , and set  $K = \overline{B(0, R)} \setminus A_\varepsilon$ . If  $z \in K$ , then  $x - ze \in \mathcal{U}^{-1}$ ; therefore  $V_z \in N_0$  exists so that  $x - ze + V_z \subseteq \mathcal{U}^{-1}$ . As above, let  $U_z \in N_0$  be such that  $U_z + U_z \subseteq V_z$ ; and let  $r_z > 0$  be such that  $w \in B(0, r_z)$  implies  $wz \in U_z$ . Thus, if  $y \in U_z$  and  $\zeta \in B(z, r_z)$ , then  $(x + y) - \zeta e = (x - ze) + y + (z - \zeta)e \in (x - ze) + U_z + U_z \subseteq x - ze + V_z \subseteq \mathcal{U}^{-1}$ , that is,  $\zeta \notin \sigma(x + y)$ .

But  $K$  is compact, so from its open covering  $\{B(z, r_z)\}_{z \in K}$  a finite sub-covering  $\{B(z_j, r_{z_j})\}_{j=1, \dots, N}$  (where  $z_1, \dots, z_N \in K$ ) can be extracted. Set  $U = U_\infty \cap \left( \bigcap_{j=1}^N U_{z_j} \right)$ : then  $U \in N_0$ , and  $\sigma(x + y) \subseteq A_\varepsilon$  whenever  $y \in U$ . ■

REMARK 4. The “if” part of Proposition 3. can be so sharpened: if  $\mathcal{U}$  is not  $Q$ , then, for any  $x \in \mathcal{U}$ ,  $z \in \mathbf{C}$ , and  $U \in N_0$ , there exists  $y \in U$  such that  $z \in \sigma(x + y)$ . In fact (we assume  $z \neq 0$ : the case  $z = 0$  being straightforward)  $V = \frac{1}{z}U$  is still in  $N_0$ : if  $y_1 \in V$  is such that  $\frac{x}{z} + y_1 \notin \mathcal{U}'$ , let  $y = zy_1 \in zV = U$ . Thus  $\frac{x+y}{z} = \frac{x}{z} + y_1 \notin \mathcal{U}'$ , that is,  $z \in \sigma(x + y)$ . ■

### 3. THE MAIN RESULT

Let us start with a definition.

DEFINITION 5. A (complex) topological algebra  $\mathcal{U}$  is said to have continuous quasi-inversion if it is  $Q$ , and the map  $x \mapsto x' : \mathcal{U}' \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$  (or, equivalently if  $\mathcal{U}$  is unital,  $x \mapsto x^{-1} : \mathcal{U}^{-1} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$ ) is continuous.

For example, a locally multiplicatively-convex  $Q$ -algebra has continuous quasi-inversion: cfr. [4, p. 10, Proposition 2.8.].

THEOREM 6. Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be a complex locally convex algebra having continuous quasi-inversion. Then, for any domain  $\Omega$  in  $\mathbf{C}$  and any holomorphic map  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$ , the multifunction  $\sigma \circ f : \Omega \rightarrow 2^{\mathbf{C}}$  is Oka-analytic.

REMARK 7. a) As is customary, no assumption is made on the continuity of the product in a topological algebra, or on the completeness of the algebra itself.

b) A map  $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$  is said to be *holomorphic* when, for any  $z \in \Omega$ , the limit  $f'(z) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(z+h) - f(z)}{h}$  exists in  $\tilde{\mathcal{U}}$  (the completion of  $\mathcal{U}$  as a topological vector space; see [2, p. 59, Definition 2.]. For other definitions, see [5, p. 22, Théorème 1.2.2.]: however, in the present case they are all equivalent to ours).

*Proof of Theorem 6.* By Proposition 3. and the continuity of  $f$ , the multi-function  $\sigma \circ f$  is u.s.c. on  $\Omega$  (besides,  $D$  is then open in  $\mathbb{C}^2$ ). We shall assume  $\mathcal{U}$  to be unital (cfr. § 2.). Let  $(\lambda_0, z_0) \in (\Omega \times \mathbb{C}) \setminus D$  (so  $z_0 \in \sigma(f(\lambda_0))$ ) and  $B = \mathbb{C}(x_0)$  be the subalgebra of  $\mathcal{U}$  of quotients of polynomials in  $x_0 = f(\lambda_0)$ , with complex coefficients, by invertible polynomials of the same kind. Obviously if such a quotient has an inverse, that is still a quotient of the same kind, that is,  $\mathcal{U}^{-1} \cap B = B^{-1}$ . Thus the complex unital locally convex algebra  $B$  is also  $Q$ , and  $x \mapsto x^{-1}: B^{-1} \rightarrow B$  is continuous, i.e.  $B$  has continuous quasi-inversion. Moreover  $B$  is commutative. By Zorn's lemma, there exists a maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$  in  $B$  containing  $y_0 = ze - x_0$  (of course  $\mathfrak{m}$  is regular). Since  $B$  is  $Q$ ,  $\mathfrak{m}$  is also closed in  $B$  (cfr. [4, p. 77, Lemma E. 4.]); and, since  $B$  has the other properties listed above, the Gel'fand-Mazur theorem (see [3, p. 811]) can be applied to infer that the topological algebra  $B/\mathfrak{m}$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{C}$ . In other words we have a non-zero continuous linear multiplicative functional  $\varphi: B \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that  $\varphi(y_0) = 0$ . So for every  $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \sigma(x_0)$  we have

$$\varphi([ze - x_0]^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\varphi(ze - x_0)} = \frac{1}{(z - z_0)\varphi(e) - \varphi(y_0)} = \frac{1}{z - z_0}.$$

We can now apply to  $\varphi$  in  $\mathcal{U}$  the Hahn-Banach theorem,  $\mathcal{U}$  being locally convex. Thus, let  $\tilde{\varphi}: \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a continuous linear (but not necessarily multiplicative) functional that extends  $\varphi$ ; and set  $\psi: D \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$  by  $\psi(\lambda, z) = [ze - f(\lambda)]^{-1}$  for every  $(\lambda, z) \in D$ . If we prove that  $b = \tilde{\varphi} \circ \psi: D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is holomorphic, then we shall apply the criterion given by [8, p. 14, Lemma 2.] to conclude that each connected component of  $D$  is a domain of holomorphy.

Let  $J: \mathcal{U} \times \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$  be the Jordan product  $J(x, y) = \frac{x \cdot y + y \cdot x}{2}$ , for any  $x, y \in \mathcal{U}$ :  $\mathcal{U}$  having continuous quasi-inversion, by [10, p. 1686, Proposition 1.]  $J$  is jointly continuous. Thus if  $(\lambda, z) \in D$  the following limit exists:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial z}(\lambda, z) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\psi(\lambda, z+h) - \psi(\lambda, z)}{h} = \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{[(z+h)e - f(\lambda)]^{-1} - [ze - f(\lambda)]^{-1}}{h} = \\ &= - \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} J\left([(z+h)e - f(\lambda)]^{-1}, [ze - f(\lambda)]^{-1}\right) = \\ &= -J\left([ze - f(\lambda)]^{-1}, [ze - f(\lambda)]^{-1}\right) = -[ze - f(\lambda)]^{-2} \end{aligned}$$

(we have used the equality  $x^{-1} - y^{-1} = \frac{x^{-1} \cdot (y - x) \cdot y^{-1} + y^{-1} \cdot (y - x) \cdot x^{-1}}{2}$ , true for any  $x, y \in \mathcal{U}^{-1}$ ).

To prove the holomorphicity of  $\psi$  in the variable  $\lambda$ , we need to extend  $J$  to  $\tilde{J} : \tilde{\mathcal{U}} \times \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{U}}$  in a jointly continuous fashion. Indeed, for every  $y \in \mathcal{U}$  the map  $J_y : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$  given by  $J_y(x) = J(x, y)$  is continuous and linear, therefore it extends to a continuous linear map  $\tilde{J}_y : \tilde{\mathcal{U}} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{U}}$ : set  $\tilde{J}(x, y) = \tilde{J}_y(x)$  for any  $(x, y) \in \tilde{\mathcal{U}} \times \mathcal{U}$ . Let now  $\tilde{U}$  be a closed 0-neighbourhood in  $\tilde{\mathcal{U}}$  (a topological vector space always admits a fundamental system of 0-neighbourhoods, cfr. [6, p. 16, 1.3.]): then  $U = \tilde{U} \cap \mathcal{U}$  is a 0-neighbourhood in  $\mathcal{U}$ , thus a 0-neighbourhood  $V$  in  $\mathcal{U}$  exists so that  $J(V \times V) \subseteq U$ . If  $\bar{V}$  is the closure of  $V$  in  $\tilde{\mathcal{U}}$ , then  $\bar{V}$  is a 0-neighbourhood in  $\tilde{\mathcal{U}}$  (cfr. [6, p. 17, 1.5.]), and  $\tilde{J}(\bar{V} \times V) \subseteq \tilde{U}$ : in fact, if  $y \in V$ , then  $J_y(V) \subseteq U$ , whence  $\tilde{J}_y(\bar{V}) \subseteq \tilde{U}$ .


Now let  $(\lambda, z) \in D$ , and set  $g : B(0, \delta) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}^{-1}$  by  $g(h) = ze - f(\lambda + h)$  ( $\delta > 0$  small enough):  $g$  is holomorphic in 0. If  $a(h) = \frac{g(h) - g(0)}{h}$  for every  $h \in B(0, \delta)$ , then an easy computation leads to:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{g(h)^{-1} - g(0)^{-1}}{h} &= - \frac{g(h)^{-1} \cdot a(h) \cdot g(0)^{-1} + g(0)^{-1} \cdot a(h) \cdot g(h)^{-1}}{h} = \\ &= J\left(a(h), J\left(g(h)^{-1}, g(0)^{-1}\right)\right) - J\left(J\left(a(h), g(h)^{-1}\right), g(0)^{-1}\right) - \\ &\quad - J\left(J\left(a(h), g(0)^{-1}\right), g(h)^{-1}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} g(h)^{-1} = g(0)^{-1} \in \mathcal{U}$ , while  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} a(h) = g'(0) \in \tilde{\mathcal{U}}$ , the following limit exists in  $\tilde{\mathcal{U}}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \lambda}(\lambda, z) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(h)^{-1} - g(0)^{-1}}{h} = \tilde{J}\left(g'(0), g(0)^{-2}\right) - \\ &\quad - 2 \tilde{J}\left(\tilde{J}\left(g'(0), g(0)^{-1}\right), g(0)^{-1}\right) \end{aligned}$$

(if we could expand  $\tilde{J}$ , the latter expression would of course equal  $-g(0)^{-1} \cdot g'(0) \cdot g(0)^{-1}$ ).

Therefore,  $b$  is separately holomorphic in  $D$ : (it being continuous on  $D$ )  $b$  is then (jointly) holomorphic in  $D$ . 

Theorem 6. has several consequences. Among them are the logarithmic pluri-sub-harmonicities of several functions of the spectrum in  $\mathcal{U}$ , such as the spectral radius, any  $k$ -th spectral diameter (with  $k \in \mathbf{N}$ ), the spectral capacity, and many others. Also, we have: the pluri-analyticity of isolated eigenvalues,

and, more generally, of spectral sets; the finite scarcity and countable scarcity theorems; and so on. For deeper analyses of the consequences of the Oka-analyticity, see e.g. [1], [9], [11], and the literature cited there.

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