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The following hold:

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- (ii) $S(t)$ is not semiuniformly stable when $\gamma > 1$

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$$\Lambda_2(t) = \frac{2\rho_2\rho_3}{\delta} \langle A^{-\frac{1}{2}}\theta(t), \dot{\psi}(t) \rangle$$

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$$\inf_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}} \|\mathrm{i}\lambda z - Lz\|_{\mathcal{H}} \geq \varepsilon \|z\|_{\mathcal{H}} \quad \forall z \in \mathfrak{D}(L)$$

- (iii) The imaginary axis $\mathrm{i}\mathbb{R}$ is contained in the resolvent set $\rho(L)$ of the operator L and

$$\sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}} \|(\mathrm{i}\lambda - L)^{-1}\|_{L(\mathcal{H})} < \infty$$

Lemma 6

Let $\alpha \in \sigma(A)$ be fixed and let $Q \subset \mathbb{R}$ be a given bounded set. Then, for every $\varepsilon > 0$ small enough, there exists a unit vector $w_\varepsilon \in H$ such that the vector

$$\xi_{q,\varepsilon} = A^q w_\varepsilon - \alpha^q w_\varepsilon$$

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where the constants c_1, c_2 will be properly chosen in a later moment in such a way that

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