

# On Landau's type inequalities for infinitesimal generators\*

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**Abstract.** We consider Landau's type inequalities of the form

$$\|A^k u\|^n \leq C_{n,k} \|u\|^{n-k} \|A^n u\|^k, \quad u \in D(A^n), \quad 0 < k < n,$$

where  $A$  is the infinitesimal generator of either a strongly continuous semigroup or a strongly continuous cosine function of linear contractions on a Banach space  $X$ . The constants  $C_{n,k}$  are computed for  $n \leq 6$ .

**Key words:** infinitesimal generator, operator semigroup, operator cosine function, Landau's type inequalities

**Sažetak. O nejednakosti Landauovog tipa za infinitezimalne generatore.** Promatraju se nejednakosti Landauovog tipa

$$\|A^k\|^n \leq C_{n,k} \|u\|^{n-k} \|A^n u\|^k, \quad u \in D(A^n), \quad 0 < k < n,$$

gdje je  $A$  infinitezimalni generator jako neprekidne polugrupe ili kosinusne funkcije linearnih kontrakcija na Banachovom prostoru  $X$ . Konstante  $C_{n,k}$  izračunate su za  $n \leq 6$ .

**Ključne riječi:** infinitezimalni generator, operatorska polugrupa, operatorska kosinusna funkcija, nejednakosti Landauovog tipa

## 1. Introduction

In 1913 E. Landau (see [?]) established that if  $u : R_+ \rightarrow R$  is twice differentiable and if  $u$  and  $u''$  are bounded, then

$$\|u'\|^2 \leq 4 \|u\| \cdot \|u''\|,$$

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where  $\|\cdot\|$  is the sup-norm. This result can be expressed as follows. Let  $X$  be the Banach space of continuous bounded functions on  $R_+$  with the sup-norm. Then

$$[T(t)u](s) = u(s+t), \quad u \in X, \quad t, s \in R_+,$$

defines a strongly continuous semigroup  $t \mapsto T(t)$  of linear operators on  $X$  (they are isometries). The infinitesimal generator of this semigroup is  $A = \frac{d}{dt}$ . So, the Landau's inequality reads:

$$\|Au\|^2 \leq 4\|u\| \cdot \|A^2u\|, \quad u \in D(A^2). \quad (1)$$

This inequality can be proved easily by using the Taylor's formula.

In 1967 R. Kallman and G.-C. Rota have shown (see [?]) that essentially the same proof gives the same inequality for the infinitesimal generator  $A$  of any strongly continuous contraction semigroup  $t \mapsto T(t)$  on any Banach space  $X$ .

This proof goes as follows. We have the Taylor's formula:

$$T(t)u = u + \int_0^t T(\tau)Au \, d\tau, \quad u \in D(A).$$

By iterating it we obtain

$$T(t)u = u + tAu + \int_0^t (t-\tau)T(\tau)A^2u \, d\tau, \quad u \in D(A^2).$$

Thus,

$$Au = \frac{1}{t}u - \frac{1}{t}T(t)u - \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t (t-\tau)T(\tau)A^2u \, d\tau, \quad u \in D(A^2), \quad t > 0.$$

Hence, we get the inequality

$$\|Au\| \leq \frac{2}{t}\|u\| + \frac{t}{2}\|A^2u\|, \quad u \in D(A^2), \quad t > 0.$$

By minimizing over  $t > 0$  we obtain (1).

Now, in [?] it was noticed that the same proof gives an inequality also in the case of a uniformly bounded semigroup  $\|T(t)\| \leq M$ :

$$\|Au\|^2 \leq 2M(M+1)\|u\| \cdot \|Au\|, \quad u \in D(A^2). \quad (2)$$

Furthermore, the same method gave an inequality for the infinitesimal generator

$$A = \left. \frac{d^2T(t)}{dt^2} \right|_{t=0}$$

of a strongly continuous uniformly bounded cosine function  $t \mapsto T(t)$ :

$$2T(t)T(s) = T(t+s) + T(t-s), \quad t > s \geq 0; \quad T(0) = I; \quad \|T(t)\| \leq M.$$

In this case the Taylor's formula has the form:

$$T(t)u = u + \int_0^t (t - \tau)T(\tau)Au \, d\tau, \quad u \in D(A),$$

and by iterating

$$T(t)u = u + \frac{t^2}{2}Au + \frac{1}{6} \int_0^t (t - \tau)^3 T(\tau)A^2u \, d\tau, \quad u \in D(A^2).$$

Thus,

$$\|Au\| \leq \frac{2}{t^2}(M+1)\|u\| + \frac{t^2}{12}M\|A^2u\|, \quad u \in D(A^2), \quad t > 0,$$

and by minimizing over  $t > 0$  we obtain

$$\|Au\|^2 \leq \frac{2}{3}M(M+1)\|u\| \cdot \|A^2u\|, \quad u \in D(A^2); \quad (3)$$

in the case of contractions  $\|T(t)\| \leq 1$

$$\|Au\|^2 \leq \frac{4}{3}\|u\| \cdot \|A^2u\|, \quad u \in D(A^2). \quad (4)$$

In [?] we have considered similar inequalities for  $u \in D(A^3)$ . If  $A$  is the infinitesimal generator of a strongly continuous contraction semigroup we have obtained the inequalities:

$$\|Au\|^3 \leq \frac{243}{8}\|u\|^2\|A^3u\|, \quad u \in D(A^3), \quad (5)$$

$$\|A^2u\|^3 \leq 24\|u\| \cdot \|A^3u\|^2, \quad u \in D(A^3), \quad (6)$$

and in the case of a contraction cosine function:

$$\|Au\|^3 \leq \frac{81}{40}\|u\|^2\|A^3u\|, \quad u \in D(A^3), \quad (7)$$

$$\|A^2u\|^3 \leq \frac{72}{25}\|u\| \cdot \|A^3u\|^2, \quad u \in D(A^3). \quad (8)$$

In fact, in [?] the inequalities for the more general cases of uniformly bounded semigroups and cosine functions were established.

In this paper we consider the same method for obtaining the analogous inequalities for  $u \in D(A^{n+1})$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 3$ :

$$\|A^k u\|^{n+1} \leq C_{n,k} \|u\|^{n-k+1} \|A^{n+1} u\|^k, \quad 1 \leq k \leq n.$$

## 2. Contraction semigroups

Let  $X$  be a Banach space and  $t \mapsto T(t)$  a strongly continuous contraction semigroup ( $\|T(t)\| \leq 1$ ) on  $X$  with the infinitesimal generator  $A$ . The iteration of the Taylor's formula

$$T(t)u = u + \int_0^t T(\tau)Au \, d\tau, \quad u \in D(A),$$

gives for  $u \in D(A^{n+1})$ :

$$T(t)u = u + tAu + \frac{t^2}{2}A^2u + \dots + \frac{t^n}{n!}A^nu + \frac{1}{n!} \int_0^t (t-\tau)^n T(\tau)A^{n+1}u \, d\tau,$$

hence,

$$tAu + \frac{t^2}{2}A^2u + \dots + \frac{t^n}{n!}A^nu = T(t)u - u - \frac{1}{n!} \int_0^t (t-\tau)^n T(\tau)A^{n+1}u \, d\tau. \quad (9)$$

Writing this equation for  $t = t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n$ , ( $0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n$ ) we obtain a system of  $n$  linear inhomogeneous equations for  $Au, A^2u, \dots, A^nu$ . The determinant of this system equals

$$D_n(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{t_1}{1!} & \frac{t_1^2}{2!} & \dots & \frac{t_1^n}{n!} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{t_n}{1!} & \frac{t_n^2}{2!} & \dots & \frac{t_n^n}{n!} \end{vmatrix} = \frac{t_1 t_2 \dots t_n}{1! 2! \dots n!} \Delta_n(t_1, \dots, t_n),$$

where  $\Delta_n(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \prod_{i < j} (t_j - t_i)$  is the Vandermonde's determinant. Thus we obtain for  $1 \leq k \leq n$ :

$$A^k u = \frac{1}{D_n(t_1, \dots, t_n)} D_{n,k}(t_1, \dots, t_n),$$

where (denoting by  $a(t)$  the right hand side of (9))

$$\begin{aligned} D_{n,k}(t_1, \dots, t_n) &= \begin{vmatrix} \frac{t_1}{1!} & \dots & \frac{t_1^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} & a(t_1) & \frac{t_1^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} & \dots & \frac{t_1^n}{n!} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{t_n}{1!} & \dots & \frac{t_n^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} & a(t_n) & \frac{t_n^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} & \dots & \frac{t_n^n}{n!} \end{vmatrix} = \\ &= \frac{k!}{1! 2! \dots n!} \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{j+k} \frac{t_1 t_2 \dots t_n}{t_j} \Delta_{n-1,k}(t_1, \dots, t_{j-1}, t_{j+1}, \dots, t_n) a(t_j), \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta_{n-1,k}(t_1, \dots, t_{j-1}, t_{j+1}, \dots, t_n) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & t_1 & \dots & t_1^{k-2} & t_1^k & \dots & t_1^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 1 & t_{j-1} & \dots & t_{j-1}^{k-2} & t_{j-1}^k & \dots & t_{j-1}^{n-1} \\ 1 & t_{j+1} & \dots & t_{j+1}^{k-2} & t_{j+1}^k & \dots & t_{j+1}^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 1 & t_n & \dots & t_n^{k-2} & t_n^k & \dots & t_n^{n-1} \end{vmatrix}.$$

Therefore, denoting

$$b(t) = \int_0^t (t - \tau)^n T(\tau) A^{n+1} u \, d\tau,$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned} D_{n,k}(t_1, \dots, t_n) &= \\ &= \frac{k!}{1!2! \dots n!} \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{j+k} \frac{t_1 t_2 \dots t_n}{t_k} \Delta_{n-1,k}(t_1, \dots, t_{j-1}, t_{j+1}, \dots, t_n) T(t_j) u - \\ &\quad - \frac{k!}{1!2! \dots n!} \begin{vmatrix} t_1 & \dots & t_1^{k-1} & 1 & t_1^{k+1} & \dots & t_1^n \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ t_n & \dots & t_n^{k-1} & 1 & t_n^{k+1} & \dots & t_n^n \end{vmatrix} u - \\ &\quad - \frac{k!}{1!2! \dots n!} \sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{j+k} \frac{t_1 t_2 \dots t_n}{t_k} \Delta_{n-1,k}(t_1, \dots, t_{j-1}, t_{j+1}, \dots, t_n) b(t_j). \end{aligned}$$

Using the facts that  $\|T(t)u\| \leq \|u\|$ ,  $\|T(t)A^{n+1}u\| \leq \|A^{n+1}u\|$  we obtain the inequalities of the form:

$$\|A^k u\| \leq \varphi_{n,k}(t_1, \dots, t_n) \|u\| + \psi_{n,k}(t_1, \dots, t_n) \|A^{n+1}u\|, \tag{10}$$

where  $\varphi_{n,k}$  is a homogeneous rational function of  $n$  variables of degree  $-k$  without poles and zeroes in the domain  $0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n$  and strictly positive there, and  $\psi_{n,k}$  is a homogeneous polynomial of  $n$  variables of degree  $n - k + 1$  strictly positive in the same domain. In fact, the denominator of  $\varphi_{n,k}(t_1, \dots, t_n)$  is

$$t_2 t_4 \dots t_{2[\frac{n}{2}]} \prod_{\substack{i < j, \\ j-i \equiv 1 \pmod{2}}} (t_j - t_i),$$

the nominator of  $\varphi_{n,k}$  is a homogenous polynomial in  $t_1, \dots, t_n$  symmetric in  $t_1, t_3, \dots, t_{2[\frac{n-1}{2}]+1}$  and symmetric in  $t_2, t_4, \dots, t_{2[\frac{n}{2}]}$ , and

$$\psi_{n,k}(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \frac{j!}{(n+1)!} \sigma_{n,n-k+1}(t_1, \dots, t_n),$$

where  $\sigma_{n,j}$  is the elementary symmetric function in  $n$  variables of degree  $j$ .

The inequality (10) holds true for every choice of variables  $t_1, \dots, t_n$  in the domain  $0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n$ . Our next goal is to minimize the right-hand side of (10) over this domain. The first step is to introduce new variables  $t, s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}$ :

$$t_1 = t, t_2 = ts_1, \dots, t_n = ts_{n-1}, \quad t > 0, \quad 1 < s_1 < s_2 < \dots < s_{n-1}.$$

Set

$$f_{n,k}(s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}) = \varphi_{n,k}(1, s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}),$$

$$g_{n,k}(s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}) = \psi_{n,k}(1, s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}).$$

By homogeneity of  $\varphi_{n,k}$  and  $\psi_{n,k}$  it follows from (10):

$$\|A^k u\| \leq \frac{1}{t^k} f_{n,k}(s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}) \|u\| + t^{n-k+1} g_{n,k}(s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}) \|A^{n+1} u\|. \quad (11)$$

Now, we keep variables  $s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}$  fixed and minimize over  $t > 0$ . The right-hand side has the unique minimum point

$$t_0 = k^{1/(n+1)} (n-k+1)^{-1/(n+1)} a^{1/(n+1)} b^{-1/(n+1)},$$

where  $a = f_{n,k}(s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}) \|u\|$  and  $b = g_{n,k}(s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}) \|A^{n+1} u\|$ . Note that we can suppose that  $b \neq 0$ , i.e.  $A^{n+1} u \neq 0$ . Indeed, if  $A^{n+1} u = 0$ , then (11) implies  $A^k u = 0$ . The minimum value of the right-hand side of (11) is

$$\begin{aligned} & k^{-k/(n+1)} (n-k+1)^{k/(n+1)} a^{-k/(n+1)} b^{k/(n+1)} a + \\ & + k^{(n-k+1)/(n+1)} (n-k+1)^{-(n-k+1)/(n+1)} a^{(n-k+1)/(n+1)} b^{-(n-k+1)/(n+1)} b = \\ & = (n+1) k^{-k/(n+1)} (n-k+1)^{-k/(n+1)} a^{(n-k+1)/(n+1)} b^{k/(n+1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we get from (11) the inequality of the form

$$\|A^k u\|^{n+1} \leq F_{n,k}(s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}) \|u\|^{n-k+1} \|A^{n+1} u\|^k \quad (12)$$

which holds true for any  $u \in D(A^{n+1})$  and for any choice of the variables  $s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}$  in the domain  $1 < s_1 < s_2 < \dots < s_{n-1}$ . Here

$$F_{n,k}(s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}) = \frac{(n+1)^{n+1}}{k^k (n-k+1)^{n-k+1}} f_{n,k}(s_1, \dots, s_{n-1})^{n-k+1} g_{n,k}(s_1, \dots, s_{n-1})^k. \quad (13)$$

If we put

$$C_{n,k} = \inf \{ F_{n,k}(s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}); \quad 1 < s_1 < s_2 < \dots < s_{n-1} \} \quad (14)$$

we obtain from (12):

$$\|A^k u\|^{n+1} \leq C_{n,k} \|u\|^{n-k+1} \|A^{n+1} u\|^k, \quad u \in D(A^{n+1}), \quad 1 \leq k \leq n. \quad (15)$$

The minimization problem (14) is very tedious (if  $n \geq 3$ ) and we have computed the constants  $C_{n,k}$  only for  $n \leq 5$ .

In these cases (i.e. for  $1 \leq k \leq n \leq 5$ ) the functions  $F_{n,k}$  are:

$$F_{1,1} = 4; \quad F_{2,1}(s) = \frac{9}{2} \frac{s^3}{(s-1)^2}, \quad F_{2,2}(s) = 3 \frac{(s+1)^2}{s-1};$$

$$F_{3,1}(s_1, s_2) = \frac{2^8}{3^4} \cdot \frac{s_1^4(s_1^2 - s_1s_2 + s_2 - s_1 + 1)^3}{s_2^2(s_2 - s_1)^3(s_1 - 1)^3},$$

$$F_{3,2}(s_1, s_2) = \frac{2^6}{3^2} \cdot \frac{(s_2^2 - s_1^2 + s_2 + 1)^2(s_1s_2 + s_1 + s_2)^2}{s_2^2(s_2 - s_1)^2(s_1 - 1)^2},$$

$$F_{3,3}(s_1, s_2) = \frac{2^5}{3^2} \cdot \frac{(s_2 - s_1 + 1)(s_2 + s_1 + 1)^3}{s_2^2(s_2 - s_1)(s_1 - 1)};$$

$$F_{4,1}(s_1, s_2, s_3) = \frac{2^8}{15} \cdot \frac{s_1^5 s_3^5 [(s_1 + s_3)(s_2^2 + s_2 + 1) - s_1s_2s_3 - s_1s_3 - s_2^3 - s_2^2 - s_2 - 1]^4}{s_2^3(s_3 - 1)^4(s_3 - s_2)^4(s_2 - s_1)^4(s_1 - 1)^4},$$

$$F_{4,2}(s_1, s_2, s_3) = \frac{5^3}{3^5} \cdot \frac{(s_1s_2 + s_2s_3 + s_1s_3 + s_1s_2s_3)^2 g_2(s_1, s_2, s_3)^3}{s_2^3(s_3 - 1)^3(s_3 - s_2)^3(s_2 - s_1)^3(s_1 - 1)^3},$$

$$F_{4,3}(s_1, s_2, s_3) = \frac{25}{48} \cdot \frac{(s_1s_2 + s_2s_3 + s_1s_3 + s_1 + s_2 + s_3)^3 g_3(s_1, s_2, s_3)^2}{s_2^2(s_3 - 1)^2(s_3 - s_2)^2(s_2 - s_1)^2(s_1 - 1)^2},$$

$$F_{4,4}(s_1, s_2, s_3) = \frac{15}{16} \cdot \frac{(s_1 + s_2 + s_3 + 1)^4 \cdot [s_1s_2 - s_1s_3 + s_2s_3 - s_2^2 - s_1 - s_2 - s_3 - 1]}{s_2(s_3 - 1)(s_3 - s_2)(s_2 - s_1)(s_1 - 1)};$$

where

$$g_2(s_1, s_2, s_3) = (s_1^2 + s_3^2 + s_1s_3 - s_1 - s_3)(s_2^2 + s_2 + 1) - s_1s_2^3 - s_2^3s_3 - s_1^2s_2^2,$$

$$g_3(s_1, s_2, s_3) = s_2^3 + s_2^2 - (s_1^2 + s_3^2 + s_1s_3 - 1)s_2 + s_1^2s_3 + s_1s_3^2 - s_1^2 - s_3^2 - s_1s_3 + 1,$$

$$F_{5,1}(s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4) = \frac{2^7 \cdot 3^4}{5^6} \cdot \frac{s_1^6 s_3^6 f_1(s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4)^5}{s_2^4 s_4^4 (s_4 - s_1)^5 (s_3 - 1)^5 (s_4 - s_3)^5 (s_3 - s_2)^5 (s_2 - s_1)^5 (s_1 - 1)^5},$$

$$F_{5,2}(s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4) = \frac{9}{100} \cdot \frac{f_2(s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4)^4 \sigma_4(1, s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4)^2}{s_2^4 s_4^4 (s_4 - s_1)^4 (s_3 - 1)^4 (s_4 - s_3)^4 (s_3 - s_2)^4 (s_2 - s_1)^4 (s_1 - 1)^4},$$

$$F_{5,3}(s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4) = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^3 \cdot \left[ \frac{f_3(s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4) \sigma_3(1, s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4)}{s_2 s_4 (s_4 - s_1) (s_3 - 1) (s_4 - s_3) (s_3 - s_2) (s_2 - s_1) (s_1 - 1)} \right]^3,$$

$$F_{5,4}(s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4) = \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^4 \cdot \frac{f_4(s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4)^2 \sigma_2(1, s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4)^4}{s_2^2 s_4^2 (s_4 - s_1)^2 (s_3 - 1)^2 (s_4 - s_3)^2 (s_3 - s_2)^2 (s_2 - s_1)^2 (s_1 - 1)^2},$$

$$F_{5,5}(s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4) = \frac{2^5 \cdot 3^2}{5^4} \cdot \frac{f_5(s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4) (1 + s_1 + s_2 + s_3 + s_4)^5}{s_2 s_4 (s_4 - s_1) (s_3 - 1) (s_4 - s_3) (s_3 - s_2) (s_2 - s_1) (s_1 - 1)},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
f_1(s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4) = & -s_1^2 s_3^2 (s_2 + s_4 + s_2 s_4) + s_1 s_3 (s_1 + s_3) [(s_4 + 1) s_2^2 + (s_4 + 1)^2 s_2 + s_4^2 + s_4] \\
& - (s_1^2 + s_3^2 + s_1 s_3) [(s_4^2 + s_4 + 1) s_2^2 + (s_4^2 + s_4) s_2 + s_4^2] \\
& - s_1 s_3 [(s_4 + 1) s_2^3 + (s_4 + 1)^2 s_2^2 + (s_4 + 1)(s_4^2 + s_4 + 1) s_2^2 + s_4^3 + s_4^2 + s_4] \\
& + (s_1 + s_2) [(s_4^2 + s_4 + 1) s_2^3 + (s_4 + 1)(s_4^2 + s_4 + 1) s_2^2 + s_4 (s_4 + 1)^2 s_2 + s_4^3 + s_4^2] \\
& - (s_4^3 + s_4^2 + s_4 + 1) s_2^3 - (s_4^3 + s_4^2 + s_4) s_2^2 - (s_4^3 + 2s_4^2 + s_4) s_2 - s_4^3 - s_4^2,
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f_2(s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4) = & -s_1^3 s_3^3 (s_2 + s_4 + 1) + s_1^2 s_3^2 (s_1 + s_3) (s_2^2 + s_4^2 + s_2 s_4 + s_2 + s_4 + 1) \\
& - s_1^2 s_3^2 [s_2^3 + (s_4 + 1) s_2^2 + (s_4^2 + s_4 + 1) s_2 + s_4^3 + s_4^2 + s_4 + 1] \\
& - (s_1 + s_3) (s_1^2 + s_3^2) [(s_4^2 + s_4 + 1) s_2^2 + (s_4^2 + s_4) s_2 + s_4^2] \\
& + (s_1^2 + s_3^2 + s_1 s_3) [(s_4^2 + s_4 + 1) s_2^3 + (s_4 + 1)(s_4^2 + s_4 + 1) s_2^2 + s_4 (s_4 + 1)^2 s_2 + s_4^3 + s_4^2] \\
& - (s_1 + s_2) [(s_4^3 + s_4^2 + s_4 + 1) s_2^3 + (s_4^3 + s_4^2 + s_4) s_2^2 + (s_4^3 + s_4^2) s_2 + s_4^3],
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f_3(s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4) = & -s_1^3 s_3^3 + s_1 s_3 (s_1^2 + s_3^2 + s_1 s_3) (s_2^2 + s_4^2 + s_2 s_4 + s_2 + s_4 + 1) \\
& - (s_1 + s_3) (s_1^2 + s_3^2 + s_1 s_3) (s_4 + 1) (s_2^2 + s_2 s_4 + s_2 + s_4) \\
& - s_1 s_3 (s_1 + s_3) (s_2^3 + s_4^3 - s_2 s_4 + 1) \\
& + (s_1^2 + s_3^2 + s_1 s_3) [(s_4 + 1) s_2^3 + (s_4 + 1)^2 s_2^2 + (s_4 + 1)(s_4^2 + s_4 + 1) s_2 + s_4^3 + s_4^2 + s_4] \\
& - (s_4^3 + s_4^2 + s_4 + 1) s_2^3 - (s_4^3 + s_4^2 + s_4) s_2^2 - (s_4^3 + s_4^2) s_2 - s_4^3,
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f_4(s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4) = & -s_1^2 s_3^2 (s_1 + s_3) + s_1 s_3 (s_1 + s_3) (s_2 + s_4 + 1) - (s_1 + s_3) (s_1^2 + s_3^2) (s_2 s_4 + s_2 + s_4) \\
& - s_1 s_3 [s_2^3 + (s_4 + 1) s_2^2 + (s_4^2 + s_4 + 1) s_2 + s_4^3 + s_4^2 + s_4 + 1] \\
& + (s_1 + s_3) [(s_4 + 1) s_2^3 + (s_4 + 1)^2 s_2^2 + (s_4 + 1)(s_4^2 + s_4 + 1) s_2 + s_4^3 + s_4^2 + s_4] \\
& - (s_4^2 + s_4 + 1) s_2^3 - (s_4 + 1)(s_4^2 + s_4 + 1) s_2^2 - s_4 (s_4 + 1)^2 s_2 - s_4^3 - s_4^2,
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f_5(s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4) = & -s_1^2 s_3^2 + s_1 s_3 (s_1 + s_3) (s_2 + s_4 + 1) \\
& - (s_1^2 + s_3^2 + s_1 s_3) (s_2 s_4 + s_2 + s_4) - s_1 s_3 [s_2^2 + (s_4 + 1) s_2 + s_4^2 + s_4 + 1] \\
& + (s_1 + s_3) (s_4 + 1) (s_2^2 + s_2 s_4 + s_2 + s_4) - (s_4^2 + s_4 + 1) s_2^2 - (s_4^2 + s_4) s_2 - s_4^2,
\end{aligned}$$

and  $\sigma_j$  is the elementary symmetric function of five variables and of degree  $j$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma_2(1, s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4) &= s_1 + s_2 + s_3 + s_4 + s_1 s_2 + s_1 s_3 + s_1 s_4 + s_2 s_3 + s_2 s_4 + s_3 s_4, \\
\sigma_3(1, s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4) &= s_1 s_2 + s_1 s_3 + s_1 s_4 + s_2 s_3 + s_2 s_4 + s_3 s_4 + s_1 s_2 s_3 + s_1 s_2 s_4 + \\
&\quad + s_1 s_3 s_4 + s_2 s_3 s_4, \\
\sigma_4(1, s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4) &= s_1 s_2 s_3 + s_1 s_2 s_4 + s_1 s_3 s_4 + s_2 s_3 s_4 + s_1 s_2 s_3 s_4.
\end{aligned}$$

It turns out that each of the functions  $F_{n,k}$  ( $1 \leq k \leq n \leq 5$ ) has exactly one critical point in the domain  $1 < s_1 < \dots < s_n$  and this point is the minimum point of  $F_{n,k}$ . It is interesting that for every  $n \leq 5$  all the functions  $F_{n,k}$  ( $1 \leq k \leq n$ ) have the same minimum point! These points are:



- for  $n = 2$ :  $s = 1$ ;
- for  $n = 3$ :  $s_1 = 2 + \sqrt{2}$ ,  $s_2 = 3 + 2\sqrt{2}$ ;
- for  $n = 4$ :  $s_1 = \frac{1}{2}(5 + \sqrt{5})$ ,  $s_2 = \frac{1}{2}(7 + 3\sqrt{5})$ ,  $s_3 = 5 + 2\sqrt{5}$ ;
- for  $n = 5$ :  $s_1 = 2 + \sqrt{3}$ ,  $s_2 = 4 + 2\sqrt{3}$ ,  $s_3 = 6 + 3\sqrt{3}$ ,  $s_4 = 7 + 4\sqrt{3}$ .

Thus, we obtain the following inequalities:

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $A$  be the infinitesimal generator of a strongly continuous semigroup  $t \mapsto T(t)$  of linear contractions on a Banach space  $X$ . Then the following inequalities hold true:*

$$\begin{aligned}
\|Au\|^2 &\leq 4 \|u\| \cdot \|A^2u\|, & u \in D(A^2); \\
\|Au\|^3 &\leq \frac{3^5}{8} \|u\|^2 \cdot \|A^3u\|, & u \in D(A^3); \\
\|A^2u\|^3 &\leq 24 \|u\| \cdot \|A^3u\|^2, & u \in D(A^3); \\
\|Au\|^4 &\leq \frac{2^{10}}{3} \|u\|^3 \cdot \|A^4u\|, & u \in D(A^4); \\
\|A^2u\|^4 &\leq \frac{10^4}{9} \|u\|^2 \cdot \|A^4u\|^2, & u \in D(A^4); \\
\|A^3u\|^4 &\leq 192 \|u\| \cdot \|A^4u\|^3, & u \in D(A^4); \\
\|Au\|^5 &\leq \frac{5^9}{3 \cdot 2^7} \|u\|^4 \cdot \|A^5u\|, & u \in D(A^5); \\
\|A^2u\|^5 &\leq \frac{2 \cdot 5^8}{9} \|u\|^3 \cdot \|A^5u\|^2, & u \in D(A^5); \\
\|A^3u\|^5 &\leq \frac{15^2 \cdot 7^5}{2^6} \|u\|^2 \cdot \|A^5u\|^3, & u \in D(A^5); \\
\|A^4u\|^5 &\leq 1920 \|u\| \cdot \|A^5u\|^4, & u \in D(A^5); \\
\|Au\|^6 &\leq \frac{2^3 \cdot 3^{10}}{5} \|u\|^5 \cdot \|A^6u\|, & u \in D(A^6); \\
\|A^2u\|^6 &\leq \frac{3^2 \cdot 5^4 \cdot 7^6}{2^6} \|u\|^4 \cdot \|A^6u\|^2, & u \in D(A^6); \\
\|A^3u\|^6 &\leq \frac{2^{15} \cdot 7^6}{5^3} \|u\|^3 \cdot \|A^6u\|^3, & u \in D(A^6); \\
\|A^4u\|^6 &\leq \frac{2^6 \cdot 3^{16}}{5^4} \|u\|^2 \cdot \|A^6u\|^4, & u \in D(A^6); \\
\|A^5u\|^6 &\leq 2^9 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5 \|u\| \cdot \|A^6u\|^5, & u \in D(A^6).
\end{aligned}$$

### 3. Contraction cosine function

Let  $t \mapsto T(t)$  be a strongly continuous cosine function of linear contractions on a Banach space  $X$ :

$$2T(t)T(s) = T(t+s) + T(t-s), \quad t > s \geq 0; \quad T(0) = I; \quad \|T(t)\| \leq 1.$$

Let  $A$  be its infinitesimal generator:

$$A = \left. \frac{d^2}{dt^2} T(t) \right|_{t=0}.$$

The iteration of the Taylor's formula

$$T(t)u = u + \int_0^t (t - \tau) T(\tau) A u d\tau, \quad u \in D(A),$$

gives for  $u \in D(A^{n+a})$ :

$$T(t)u = u + \frac{t^2}{2!} A u + \cdots + \frac{t^{2n}}{(2n)!} A^n u + \frac{1}{(2n+1)!} \int_0^t (t - \tau)^{2n+1} T(\tau) A^{n+1} u d\tau.$$

By the same method as for semigroups we obtain the inequalities of the form:

$$\|A^k u\|^{n+1} \leq G_{n,k}(s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}) \|u\|^{n-k+1} \|A^{n+1} u\|^k$$

for every  $u \in D(A^{n+1})$  and for every choice of variables  $s_1, \dots, s_{n-1}$  in the domain  $1 < s_1 < s_2 < \dots < s_{n-1}$ . The functions  $G_{n,k}$  are closely related to the functions  $F_{n,k}$  from the previous section:

$$G_{n,k}(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_{n-1}) = \left( \frac{(2k)!}{k!} \right)^{n+1} \cdot \left( \frac{(n+1)!}{(2n+2)!} \right)^k \cdot F_{n,k}(s_1^2, s_2^2, \dots, s_{n-1}^2).$$

Therefore, we have:

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $A$  be the infinitesimal generator of a strongly continuous cosine function of linear contractions on a Banach space  $X$ . Then the following inequalities hold true:*

$$\begin{aligned} \|Au\|^2 &\leq \frac{4}{3} \|u\| \cdot \|A^2u\|, & u \in D(A^2); \\ \|Au\|^3 &\leq \frac{3^4}{2^3 \cdot 5} \|u\|^2 \cdot \|A^3u\|, & u \in D(A^3); \\ \|A^2u\|^3 &\leq \frac{2^3 \cdot 3^2}{5^2} \|u\| \cdot \|A^3u\|^2, & u \in D(A^3); \\ \|Au\|^4 &\leq \frac{2^{10}}{3^2 \cdot 5 \cdot 7} \|u\|^3 \cdot \|A^4u\|, & u \in D(A^4); \\ \|A^2u\|^4 &\leq \frac{2^4 \cdot 5^2}{7^2} \|u\|^2 \cdot \|A^4u\|^2, & u \in D(A^4); \\ \|A^3u\|^4 &\leq \frac{2^6 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5}{7^3} \|u\| \cdot \|A^4u\|^3, & u \in D(A^4); \\ \|Au\|^5 &\leq \frac{5^8}{2^7 \cdot 3^4 \cdot 7} \|u\|^4 \cdot \|A^5u\|, & u \in D(A^5); \\ \|A^2u\|^5 &\leq \frac{2 \cdot 5^6}{3^3 \cdot 7^2} \|u\|^3 \cdot \|A^5u\|^2, & u \in D(A^5); \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\|A^3u\|^5 &\leq \frac{5^4 \cdot 7^4}{23 \cdot 3^2} \|u\|^2 \cdot \|A^5u\|^3, & u \in D(A^5); \\
\|A^4u\|^5 &\leq \frac{2^7 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7}{3^6} \|u\| \cdot \|A^5u\|^4, & u \in D(A^5); \\
\|Au\|^6 &\leq \frac{2^3 \cdot 3^7}{5^2 \cdot 7 \cdot 11} \|u\|^5 \cdot \|A^6u\|, & u \in D(A^6); \\
\|A^2u\|^6 &\leq \frac{3^2 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7^4}{2^6 \cdot 11^2} \|u\|^4 \cdot \|A^6u\|^2, & u \in D(A^6); \\
\|A^3u\|^6 &\leq \frac{2^{15} \cdot 7^3}{3^3 \cdot 11^3} \|u\|^3 \cdot \|A^6u\|^3, & u \in D(A^6); \\
\|A^4u\|^6 &\leq \frac{2^6 \cdot 3^{10} \cdot 7^2}{5^2 \cdot 11^4} \|u\|^2 \cdot \|A^6u\|^4, & u \in D(A^6); \\
\|A^5u\|^6 &\leq \frac{2^9 \cdot 3^5 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7}{11^5} \|u\| \cdot \|A^6u\|^5, & u \in D(A^6).
\end{aligned}$$

#### 4. Final remarks

The inequalities in *Theorem 1.* and *Theorem 2.* for  $u \in D(A^3)$  were obtained in [?], for  $u \in D(A^4)$  in [?], and for  $u \in D(A^5)$  in [?]. Those for  $u \in D(A^6)$  seem to be new.

Furthermore, these papers consider also the analogous inequalities for the infinitesimal generator of a strongly continuous group of linear isometries on a Banach space. In this case the problem is considerably more complicated because for each inequality one should minimize several different functions over several different domains.

In [?] the precise infimum is determined for  $u \in D(A^3)$ :

$$\|Au\|^3 \leq \frac{9}{8} \|u\|^2 \cdot \|A^3u\|, \quad \|A^2u\|^3 \leq 3 \|u\| \cdot \|A^3u\|^2.$$

The inequalities obtained in [?] and [?] for  $u \in D(A^4)$  and  $u \in D(A^5)$  are not the best obtainable by this method.

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