

8. The *resolvent*  $\lambda \mapsto r_\lambda := (\lambda 1 - x)^{-1}$  is defined on the resolvent set of  $x$  (in a unital Banach algebra). Suppose  $\lambda_0 \in \rho(x)$  with  $|\lambda - \lambda_0| < 1/\|r_{\lambda_0}\|$  and show:
- (a)  $\lambda \in \rho(x)$ ;
  - (b)  $r_\lambda = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (\lambda - \lambda_0)^n r_{\lambda_0}^{n+1}$ ;
  - (c)  $\|r_\lambda - r_{\lambda_0}\| \leq \frac{|\lambda - \lambda_0| \|r_{\lambda_0}\|^2}{1 - |\lambda - \lambda_0| \|r_{\lambda_0}\|}$ .
9. An  $x$  (in a complex unital Banach algebra) is called *quasi-nilpotent* if  $r(x) = 0$ . Prove:
- (a)  $x$  is quasi-nilpotent iff  $\sigma(x) = \{0\}$ ;
  - (b) If  $x$  is not quasi-nilpotent, then there exists an angle  $\alpha$  with  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{r(x+h1) - r(x)}{h} = \cos \alpha$ , and at least one of the points  $r(x)e^{i\alpha}$ ,  $r(x)e^{-i\alpha}$  is in  $\sigma(x)$ , such that, moreover, this point is the closest to  $r(x)$  on the circle around 0 with radius  $r(x)$ .