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First Order Linear Equations

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2. Cauchy's Problem.2-1. an one-dimensional example.

We consider the case of an infinite line, and we look for a function $u(x, t)$ $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $t \geq 0$ which satisfies

$$(\pi_1) \begin{cases} (1) \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = 0 \\ (2) u(x, 0) = u_0(x) \end{cases}$$

Naturally we must precise in what sense we take the derivatives in equation (1) and the spaces in which the relation lies.

Since the operator $A = -\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$ commutes with the translations in $\mathbb{R}$ it is indicated to use Fourier's Transform with respect of x .

Therefore we look for $u(t) \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R})$ for all $t \in]0, T[$ (i.e.:

$$u(t): x \rightarrow u(x, t), \quad \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}))$$

$\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ $n \geq 1$ is the space of Schwartz of Tempered Distributions

that is the dual of $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ the space of C^∞ functions which are quickly decreasing at infinity:

$$\text{If } x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \quad \text{we put } x^\alpha = x_1^{\alpha_1} x_2^{\alpha_2} \dots x_n^{\alpha_n}, \\ \alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{N}^n \quad \text{and } |\alpha| = \sqrt{\alpha_1^2 + \dots + \alpha_n^2} \\ D^\beta u = \frac{\partial^{\beta_1 + \beta_2 + \dots + \beta_n}}{\partial x_1^{\beta_1} \partial x_2^{\beta_2} \dots \partial x_n^{\beta_n}}, \quad \beta = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n) \in \mathbb{N}^n$$

Then

$$(1) \quad u \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n) \Leftrightarrow u \in \mathcal{L}^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n), \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \quad 2^d D^\beta u(x) \rightarrow 0 \text{ when } |x| \rightarrow \infty$$

Now if $x \cdot y = x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_n y_n$, and $u \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$ the Fourier

$$(2) \quad u(y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \bar{e}^{i x \cdot y} u(x) dx, \quad u \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

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and we have

$$(3) \quad \begin{cases} (i) & u(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \bar{e}^{i x \cdot y} \hat{u}(y) dy = \overline{\mathcal{F}(\hat{u})}(x) \\ (ii) & \mathcal{F}(D^\alpha u) = (iy)^\alpha \mathcal{F}u \\ (iii) & D^\alpha \mathcal{F}(u) = \mathcal{F}((-ix)^\alpha u) \end{cases}$$

We recall also that $\mathcal{F}$ is an Isometry on $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ $L^2(\mathbb{R}) \subset \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R})$

Now if $T \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $\hat{T} = \mathcal{F}(T)$ is defined by

$$(4) \quad \langle \hat{T}, \varphi \rangle = \langle T, \hat{\varphi} \rangle \quad \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

Then if $T = \delta$ we obtain :

$$\langle \hat{\delta}, \varphi \rangle = \langle \delta, \hat{\varphi} \rangle = \hat{\varphi}(0) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi(x) dx$$

and

$$(5) \quad \hat{\delta} = 1.$$

Therefore if we take $u_0 \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R})$ in Problem (Π_1) , we look for u and $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$ taken their values in $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R})$. By Fourier's transform with respect to x , we obtain :

$$(6) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{\partial \hat{u}}{\partial t}(\cdot, t) + y^2 \hat{u}(\cdot, t) = 0 \\ \hat{u}(\cdot, 0) = \hat{u}_0 \end{cases}$$

by

(17)

$$(7) \quad \hat{u}(\cdot, t) = e^{-y^2 t} \cdot \hat{u}_0$$

(The right-hand side of (7) being well-defined because of $y \rightarrow e^{-y^2 t}$ is a C^∞ -function, $t > 0$)

Now suppose $u_0 \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$. Then $\hat{u}_0 \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ and the unique solution of (6) is given by (7) with $\hat{u}(y, t)$, $y^2 \hat{u}(y, t) \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$. Thus Problem (II₁) has a unique solution with $u(y, t)$ and $u_x(y, t) \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ $t > 0$.

If we denote by

$$(8) \quad N_t(x) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}(e^{-y^2 t}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi t}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{4t}}$$

this solution is given by

$$(9) \quad u(\cdot, t) = N_t(\cdot) \underset{(x)}{*} u_0$$

Where $\underset{(x)}{*}$ denote the convolution with respect of x , that is:

$$(9)' \quad u(x, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi t}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-\frac{(x-\xi)^2}{4t}} u_0(\xi) d\xi$$

It is possible to see that

$$(10) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} N_t(\cdot) \rightarrow \delta \quad \text{in } \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R})$$

Which implies

$$(11) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} u(\cdot, t) = \delta * u_0 = u_0 \quad \text{in } L^2(\mathbb{R}) \text{ topology}$$

If we put:

(35)

$$(12) \quad G(t) = N_t(\cdot) * \quad t \geq 0 \quad (\text{with } N_0(\cdot) = \delta)$$

(12) defines a family $\{G(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$ of ^{bounded} Volterra operators in $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

$G(t) \in \mathcal{L}(L^2(\mathbb{R}))$, which satisfies the following properties:

$$(13) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} (i) & G(t) \in \mathcal{L}(L^2(\mathbb{R})) \\ (ii) & G(0) = I \\ (iii) & G(t+s) = G(t) \circ G(s) \quad \forall t, s \geq 0 \\ (iv) & \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \|G(t)u - u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R})} = 0 \quad \forall u \in L^2(\mathbb{R}) \end{array} \right.$$

A such family is called a semi-group in $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ of C^0 class.

Remark 2-1

The family $G(t)$ defined by (12) does not form a Group because for $t < 0$ $y \rightarrow e^{-t|y|^2}$ is not a multiplier in $L^2(\mathbb{R})$. In other words, the problem to find $u \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$

With

$$(14) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = 0 \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x) \end{array} \right.$$

is not a Well-posed problem.

It is not possible to reverse the sense of time in equation (1)!

Remark 2-2

The function $(x, t) \rightarrow E(x, t) = N_t(x)$ is the solution in the two variables (x, t) Distribution sense of the equation:

$$(15) \quad \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial x^2} = \delta_x \otimes \delta_t$$

In other terms E satisfies the Cauchy's Problem in $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R})$:

$$(16) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial x^2} = 0 \\ E(x, 0) = \delta_x \end{cases}$$

The function E is called the elementary solution of Problem (Π_1)

2-2- n - dimensional exple.

We look for a function $u(x, t)$ $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$, $t \geq 0$

Which satisfies:

$$(\Pi_n) \quad \begin{cases} (i) \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - \Delta u = 0 \\ (ii) \quad u(x, 0) = u_0(x) \end{cases}$$

By Fourier's transform with respect of x Problem (Π_n) becomes

$$(\hat{\Pi}_n) = \begin{cases} (i) \quad \frac{\partial \hat{u}}{\partial t} + |\gamma|^2 \hat{u} = 0 \\ (ii) \quad \hat{u}(\gamma, 0) = \hat{u}_0(\gamma) \end{cases}$$

... in $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ($u_0 \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$), we obtain one

$$(17) \quad \hat{u}(y, t) = e^{-|y|^2 t} \cdot \hat{u}_0.$$

We introduce:

$$(18) \quad N_t(x) = \overline{\mathcal{G}}(e^{-|y|^2 t}) = \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi t}}\right)^n \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{|y|^2}{4t}\right)$$

Thus if $u_0 \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$, (Π_n) has one solution given by:

$$(19) \quad u(x, t) = N_t(\cdot) *_{(x)} u_0(x).$$

Where $g * f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(x_1 - \xi_1, x_2 - \xi_2, \dots, x_n - \xi_n) \cdot f(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) d\xi_1 d\xi_2 \dots d\xi_n$

The family $G(t)$ defined by.

$$(20) \quad G(t) = N_t(\cdot) *_{(x)}$$

forms a semi-group of C_0^∞ class in $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and remarks 2-1 and 2-2 are still valid in this case.

Remark 2-3:

If we consider the inhomogeneous problem:

$$(I) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - \Delta u = f \\ u(x, 0) = u_0(x) \end{cases}$$

With for example $f \in L_{loc}^2(\mathbb{R}; L^2(\mathbb{R}))$ and $u_0 \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ as required

Problem (I) has one solution given by the formula:

$$(21) \quad u(t) = G(t)u_0 + \int_0^t G(t-s) \cdot f(s) ds$$

instead of right-hand side being taken in $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

If we introduce:

$$(21) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{N}_t : \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \tilde{N}_t(x) = N_t(x) & \text{if } t \geq 0 \\ \tilde{N}_t(x) = 0 & \text{if } t < 0 \end{array} \right. \\ \tilde{f} : \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \tilde{f}(x,t) = f(x,t) & t > 0 \\ \tilde{f}(x,t) = 0 & t < 0 \end{array} \right. \end{array} \right.$$

We can write (21) in the following form:

$$(23) \quad u(x,t) = \tilde{N}_t(x) *_{x,t} u_0 + \tilde{N}_t(x) *_{(x,t)} \tilde{f}(x,t)$$

Now we give some basic ideas on Semi-group theory.

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2-3. Some basic ideas on Semi-group theory.

Let X be a complex (or real) Banach space. We denote by $x \mapsto \|x\|_X$ the norm of X . We recall that $\mathcal{L}(X)$ is a Banach space equipped with the norm: $T \in \mathcal{L}(X) \rightarrow \|T\| = \sup_{\|x\|=1} \|Tx\|$

Definition 2-1

We shall say that the family $\{G(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$ is a Semi-group of C^0 class if this family satisfies:

(i) $G(t) \in \mathcal{L}(X)$, $t \geq 0$.

(ii) $G(0) = I$

(iii) $G(t+s) = G(t) \circ G(s)$ $\forall s, t \geq 0$

(iv) $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \|G(t)x - x\|_X = 0$

Remark 2-4 - If (iii) is true for $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$ the Semi-group

Example

(3)

- 1 - $X = \mathbb{R}^n$ (or $\mathbb{C}^n$) A a (n, n) matrix

$$G(t) = e^{At} = \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \frac{(At)^k}{k!}$$

is a group of C^0 -class.

- 2 - X B-space. A a bounded operator

$$G(t) = e^{At} = \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \frac{(At)^k}{k!}$$

is a group of C^0 -class.

- 3 - $X = L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $G(t) = N_t(x)$ where

$$N_t(x) = \frac{1}{(2\sqrt{\pi t})^n} \exp\left(-\frac{|x|^2}{4t}\right)$$

is a semi-group of C^0 -class which is not a group.

- 4 - $X = L^1(\mathbb{R})$, $t \geq 0$; if $u \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$

$G(t)u$ is defined by.

$$G(t)u(x) = u(x+t) \quad \text{a.e. in } \mathbb{R}.$$

$G(t)$ is a group of C^0 -class. (Translation group in $L^1(\mathbb{R})$)

Proof (in exercise).

Proposition 2.1

If $\{G(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$ is a semi-group of C^0 -class then

i) the function $t \rightarrow G(t)x$ is a continuous function in X for all $x \in X$

$$(24) \|G(t)\| \leq M e^{\omega t}, \quad t \geq 0.$$

(See the proof in Yosida's Book. of Bibliography)
 If $\omega = 0$ in (24), $\{G(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$ is called a contraction semigroup of C^0 class.
 Generally, we can see that $t \rightarrow G(t)x$ is not a differentiable function for all $x \in X$, $t \geq 0$.

Definition 2-2

We denote by $D(A)$ the set of all vectors in X which are "differentiable" for all values of $t \geq 0$.

By semigroup property (iii) we have

$$(25) \quad D(A) = \left\{ x \in X; \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{G(h)x - x}{h} \text{ exist}, t \geq 0 \right\}$$

Let A_h be defined by

$$(26) \quad A_h = \frac{G(h) - I}{h} \in \mathcal{L}(X) \quad \forall h > 0.$$

We have:

Proposition 2-2 If $\{G(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$ is a semigroup of C^0 -class

(i) $D(A)$ is a vector subspace of X which is dense in X .

(ii) if $x \in D(A)$, $G(t)x \in D(A)$, $0 \leq t < +\infty$

(iii) $A_h x \rightarrow Ax$ if $h \rightarrow 0_+$

generally A is an unbounded operator in X which maps $D(A)$ into X .

We omit the proof

Examples

[4]

1- $X = \mathbb{R}^n$, A (n, n) matrix, $G(t) = e^{At}$

Then $D(A) = X$

2 - It's the same with X a Banach space, A a bounded operator in X .

3 - $X = L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $G(t) = N_t(x) *$ where

$$N_t(x) = \frac{1}{(2\sqrt{\pi t})^n} \exp\left(-\frac{|x|^2}{4t}\right)$$

Show (by Fourier's transform) that

$$(27) \lim_{h \rightarrow +\infty} \left(\frac{e^{-|y|^2 h} - 1}{h} \right) \hat{u} \rightarrow -|y|^2 \hat{u} \text{ in the } L^2(\mathbb{R}^n) \text{ topology.}$$

Thus (28) $\lim_{h \rightarrow +\infty} \{A_h u\} = \Delta u$ in the $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ topology.

Therefore $A = \Delta$ with domain $D(A) = \{u \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n), \Delta u \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)\}$.

Exercise. Show that

$$(29) D(A) = H^2(\mathbb{R}^n).$$

4 - $X = L^1(\mathbb{R})$, $1 \leq t < +\infty$. $G(t)$ is the group of

translations.

Exercise: - Then $A_h u \rightarrow Au = \frac{du}{dx}$

$$- D(A) = W^{1,1}(\mathbb{R}) = \left\{ u \in L^1(\mathbb{R}); \frac{du}{dx} \in L^1(\mathbb{R}) \right\}$$

We recall that an unbounded operator A in a Banach space X is said closed if for any sequence $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ $\{x_n \in D(A) \text{ and } \{y_n = Ax_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$

which converge to x in X with $\{y_n = Ax_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ a convergent sequence to y in X , there exist $x \in D(A)$ with $y = Ax$.

Proposition 2-2

If $\{G(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$ is a semi-group of C^0 class in X .

- (i) $D(A)$ is a dense subset of X and A is closed.
 (ii) $D(A)$ equipped with the norm of the graph of A :
 (i.e. $u \rightarrow \|u\|_{D(A)} = \|u\|_X + \|Au\|_X$)
is a Banach space.

(iii) $\forall x \in D(A)$

$$(30) \quad \frac{dG(t)x}{dt} = A[G(t)x] = G(t)(Ax)$$

- (iv) Let $a > 0$.
 $\sup_{t \in (0, a)} \|G(t)x - e^{tA}x\|_X \rightarrow 0$ when $h \rightarrow 0$

- We omit the proof.

Sometimes one introduces property (iv) improperly by the formula
 $G(t) = e^{At}$, with A unbounded.

Definition 2-3

A is called the infinitesimal generator of the semi-group $\{G(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$.

Prop. 2-4

The infinitesimal generator of a semi-group of C^0 class is a bounded operator iff the function $t \rightarrow G(t)$ is continuous in the topology of the space $\mathcal{L}(X)$.

(We omit the proof)

The main result of the semi-group theory is a characterization of closed unbounded operators with dense domain in X which are C^0 class.

Before to give Hille-Yoshida's Theorem we state the Problem (P).

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Problem (P):

We look for u such that:

$$(31) \begin{cases} u \in D(A) \\ -Au + \tau u = f \end{cases}, \quad \tau = \lambda + i\mu \in \mathbb{C}, \quad f \text{ given in } X.$$

If A is the infinitesimal generator of a semi-group of C^0 -class which satisfies equality (24), then (31) has one solution given by

$$(32) \quad u = R(\tau) f \quad \text{for } \lambda > \omega.$$

Where $R(\tau) \in L(X)$ is given by the following Laplace's Integral

$$(33) \quad R(\tau) f = \int_0^{+\infty} G(t) f \cdot e^{-\tau t} dt \quad (\lambda > \omega)$$

$R(\tau) = (\tau I - A)^{-1}$ is called the resolvent of A .

Theorem 2.1 (Hille-Yoshida's Theorem)

Let A be a closed unbounded operator in X with dense domain $D(A)$.

Then A is the infinitesimal generator of one semi-group of C^0 -class which satisfies (24) iff

i) The problem (P) has an unique solution $u = R(\tau) f$

(ii) $\|R(\tau)^k\| \leq \frac{M}{(\lambda - \omega)^k}$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots$

examples of Applications of Hille-Yoshida's Theorem

1- $X = L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $G(t) = M_t(x) \ast$

We have seen already that the infinitesimal generator of this Semi-Group is the Laplacian Δ .

Now in order to apply Hille-Yoshida's theorem, we look for u as a solution of

$$(34) \quad -\Delta u + t u = f \quad , \quad t = \lambda + i\mu \quad \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$$

and f given in $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

By Fourier's transform, $\hat{u} = \mathcal{F}(u)$, $\hat{f} = \mathcal{F}(f)$ we obtain

$$(35) \quad (|\eta|^2 + \lambda + i\mu) \hat{u} = \hat{f}$$

and

$$(36) \quad \hat{u} = \frac{\hat{f}}{|\eta|^2 + \lambda + i\mu} \quad \forall \lambda > 0, \forall \mu \in \mathbb{R}$$

Therefore if $\lambda > 0$, $\hat{f} \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n) \Rightarrow \hat{u} \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n) \Rightarrow u \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$

We deduce from that Δu also belong to $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

Thus equation (34) possess one solution $u \in \mathcal{D}(\Delta) = H^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$

But from equality (36) we deduce

$$(37) \quad |\hat{u}(\eta)| \leq \frac{1}{\lambda} |\hat{f}(\eta)| \quad , \quad \lambda > 0.$$

Therefore

$$(38) \quad \|u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)} = \|R(t)u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq \frac{1}{\lambda} \|f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)}$$

By Hille-Yosida's theorem, Δ is the infinitesimal generator of a semi-group of contractions of C^0 -class.

Here $G(t)$ is given by:

$$(39) \quad \mathcal{F}(G(t)u) = e^{-|x|^2 t} \mathcal{F}(u)$$

and it is possible to verify directly the result.

Now we give other examples in which it is not possible to obtain directly the result.

2 - Let Ω be an open set of $\mathbb{R}^n$, we consider

$$(40) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} A = - \sum_{i,j=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (a_{ij}(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}) \\ \text{where } a_{ij} \in L^\infty(\Omega) \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n \end{array} \right.$$

We also assume that

$$(41) \quad \operatorname{Re} \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(x) \xi_i \bar{\xi}_j \geq \alpha \sum_{i=1}^n |\xi_i|^2, \quad \alpha > 0 \quad \xi_i \in \mathbb{C}, i=1, \dots, n$$

We define A as an unbounded operator in $L^2(\Omega)$ with domain

$$D(A) = \{ u \in L^2(\Omega) \mid \dots \}$$

Then

(46)

Proposition 2-5

$(-A)$ is the infinitesimal generator of a contraction
semi-group of C^0 class in $L^2(\Omega)$

Proof:

Let $f = \lambda + i\eta$ we must solve

$$(43) \quad \begin{cases} Au + fu = f \\ u \in D(A) \end{cases}, \quad f \text{ given in } L^2(\Omega)$$

This problem is equivalent (see - Lanchon's lecture) to the following variational problem:

$$(44) \quad \begin{cases} \text{To find } u \in H_0^1(\Omega) \text{ which satisfies} \\ a(u, v) + f(u, v) = (f, v) \quad \forall v \in H_0^1(\Omega) \end{cases}$$

Where

$$(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} u(x) \overline{v(x)} dx, \quad a(u, v) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n \int_{\Omega} a_{ij}(x) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial \overline{v}}{\partial x_i} dx$$

From (41) we have

$$\operatorname{Re} (a(u, v) + f|v|^2) \geq \inf(\alpha, 1) \|v\|_{H_0^1(\Omega)}^2, \quad \lambda > 0$$

Thus by Lax-Milgram theorem (44) possess one solution

If we take $u = u$ in (44) we obtain (4)

$$(45) \quad \operatorname{Re} a(u, u) + \lambda |u|^2 = \operatorname{Re} (f, u)$$

Now by Cauchy-Schwarz's inequality and since $\operatorname{Re} a(u, u) \geq 0$ we obtain

$$(46) \quad |u| \leq \frac{1}{\lambda} |f|.$$

The result of proposition 2.5 follows.

3 - Sesquilinear forms and Semi-groups

We consider two separable complex Hilbert spaces V and H with $V \subset H$. V is dense in H .

We denote by $\|\cdot\|$ the norm in V and by $(\cdot, \cdot), \|\cdot\|$ respectively the scalar product and the norm in H .

Let $a(u, v)$ be a continuous sesquilinear form on V such that

$$(47) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{There exists } \lambda_0 \text{ with} \\ \operatorname{Re} a(v, v) + \lambda_0 \|v\|^2 \geq \alpha \|v\|^2 \quad \alpha > 0, v \in V \end{array} \right.$$

Let A be the unbounded operator in H with domain $D(A)$ (dense in H) defined by

$$(48) \quad D(A) = \left\{ u \in V; v \rightarrow a(u, v) \text{ is continuous on } V \text{ with respect to the } H\text{-topology} \right\}$$

... H (Exercise)

state the

Theorem 2.2

If equality (47) holds, $-A$ is the infinitesimal generator of a semi-group $\{G(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$ of C^0 class in H which satisfies

$$(49) \quad \|G(t)\|_{\mathcal{L}(H)} \leq e^{\lambda_0 t}, \quad t \geq 0.$$

Proof: Let $\lambda = \lambda_0 + i\mu$, $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$.

We look for u as a solution of problem:

$$(50) \quad \begin{cases} u \in D(A) \\ (A + \lambda I)u = f, \quad f \text{ given in } H \end{cases}$$

(50) is equivalent to

$$(51) \quad \begin{cases} u \in V \\ a(u, v) + \lambda (u, v) = (f, v) \quad \forall v \in V \end{cases}$$

(Because of (51) implies $u \in D(A)$ by definition of $D(A)$)

From (47) we deduce:

$$\begin{cases} \operatorname{Re} [a(v, v) + \lambda |v|^2] = \operatorname{Re} [a(v, v) + \lambda_0 |v|^2 + (\lambda - \lambda_0) |v|^2] \geq \\ \geq \alpha \|v\|^2 + (\lambda - \lambda_0) |v|^2 \geq \alpha \|v\|^2 \quad \text{if } \lambda > \lambda_0 \end{cases}$$

By Lax-Milgram's theorem there exists one solution of (51).

From (52) it follows

$$\alpha \|u\|^2 + (\lambda - \lambda_0) |u|^2 \leq |f| \|u\|$$

and we have:

(49)

$$(53) \quad |u| \leq \frac{1}{\lambda - \lambda_0} |f|$$

The statement of theorem 2-2 follows from Hille-Yoshida's Theorem.

2-4 - Abstract Cauchy's Problem and Semi-group.

Let X be a Banach space (real or complex) and let A be an unbounded closed operator in X with domain $D(A)$ which is dense in X .

We look for a function $u: t \rightarrow u(t)$ with values in X as a solution of the following abstract Cauchy's problem:

$$(54) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{du(t)}{dt} - A u(t) = f(t) \\ u(0) = u_0 \end{cases}$$

Where $u_0 \in X$ is given and f is a given function ^{take} with values in X .

Naturally it is necessary to precise the sense of the derivative in (54).

For a deeper discussion of problem (54) we send to Yoshida's book, Kato's book and Pazy's lectures.

Here we note only that if A is the infinitesimal generator of a semi-group of C^0 class we can obtain

u_0 is given in $D(A)$ and for instance f is a convenient given function. (50)

Theorem (2.3) Homogeneous abstract Cauchy's Problem

Let A be the infinitesimal generator of a semi-group of C^0 -class $\{G(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$.

Let u_0 be given in $D(A)$ and $f(t) \equiv 0$.

Then there exists one solution of the problem.

$$(55) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{du(t)}{dt} = Au(t) \\ u(0) = u_0 \in D(A) \end{cases}$$

This solution is given by

$$(56) \quad u(t) = G(t)u_0 \quad t \in [0, +\infty[$$

2.5 The solution obtained is a strong solution in the following sense:

$$\begin{cases} u \in C^0([0, +\infty[; X), \quad u \in C^1(]0, +\infty[; X) \\ \text{and } u(t) \in D(A) \text{ if } t > 0. \end{cases}$$

Remark 2-6

We can see that a strong solution is unique if f is given in $C^0([0, +\infty[; X)$.

in the non homogeneous problem (51)

(51)

We can state the following theorem:

Theorem 2-4 - Non homogeneous abstract Cauchy's problem

Let A be the infinitesimal generator of a semi-group of C^0 -class of $G(t)$ $t \geq 0$

let u_0 be given in $D(A)$ and f given in $L^0([0, +\infty; X])$

Then the function u is given by:

$$(58) \quad u(t) = G(t)u_0 + \int_0^t G(t-s)f(s)ds$$

is the unique solution of Problem (51) iff the function

$$(59) \quad t \rightarrow v(t) = \int_0^t G(t-s)f(s)ds \quad \text{is differentiable}$$

We omit the proof.

Remark 2-7 - Condition (59) is implied by $f \in C^1([0, +\infty; X])$.

Exercise:

Apply Theorems 2-3 and 2-4 to the three examples considered in Section: "Applications of Hille-Yoshida's Theorem" - pages 44-49.

Remark 2-8

We note that these examples cover cases of Boundary Value problems. (cf Exes 2 and 3)

2-5- To sum up.

- We have a method (Semi-group theory) which allows us to solve Cauchy's problems and also Boundary-value problem.
- Its domain of application is larger than Fourier's method.
- We can consider Banach Spaces and operator A which are not only self-adjoint. (cf Exer 2-3 p. 45 $\rightarrow$ 49)
- The case $A = A(t)$ ~~can~~ be considered. (See Yosida's book)
- The method leads us to an explicit formula for the solution -
- But it is not a constructive method since generally the semi-group $\{G(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$ is out of reach.

Note however there exists numerical approach for semi-group
(See Trotter's formula in Yosida's book)
