

Lectures 10 & 11: Semigroup Theory

- Want to generalize matrix exponential to infinite dimensional setting
- Strongly continuous (C_0) semigroup
 - ★ Extension of matrix exponential
- Infinitesimal generator of a C_0 -semigroup
- Examples and conditions

Solution to abstract evolution equation

- Abstract evolution equation on a Hilbert space \mathbb{H}

$$\frac{d\psi(t)}{dt} = \mathcal{A}\psi(t), \quad \psi(0) \in \mathbb{H}$$

Dilemma: how to define " $e^{\mathcal{A}t}$ "?

Finite dimensional case:

$$M \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n} \quad \Rightarrow \quad e^{Mt} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(Mt)^k}{k!}$$

$$\frac{d\psi(t)}{dt} = \mathcal{A}\psi(t), \quad \psi(0) \in \mathbb{H}$$

- Assume:

- ★ For each $\psi(0) \in \mathbb{H}$, there is a unique solution $\psi(t)$ ■

- ★ There is a well defined mapping $T(t): \mathbb{H} \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}$

$$\psi(t) = T(t)\psi(0)$$

$T(t)$ - time-parameterized family of linear operators on \mathbb{H} ■

- ★ Solution varies continuously with initial state

$T(t)$: a bounded operator (on \mathbb{H})

$$\|T(t)\| = \sup_{f \in \mathbb{H}} \frac{\|T(t)f\|}{\|f\|} < \infty$$

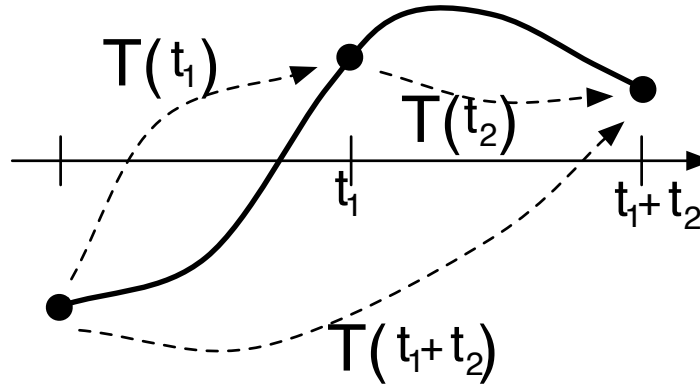
Strongly continuous semigroups

- Properties of $T(t)$: $\psi(t) = T(t) \psi(0)$

- Initial condition: $T(0) = I$

- Semigroup property:

$$T(t_1 + t_2) = T(t_2) T(t_1) = T(t_1) T(t_2), \quad \text{for all } t_1, t_2 \geq 0$$



- Strong continuity:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \|T(t) \psi(0) - \psi(0)\| = 0, \quad \text{for all } \psi(0) \in \mathbb{H}$$

■
a weaker condition than:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \|T(t) - I\| = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \sup_{f \in \mathbb{H}} \frac{\|(T(t) - I) f\|}{\|f\|} = 0$$

Examples

- Linear transport equation

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \phi_t(x, t) &= \pm c \phi_x(x, t) \\ \phi(x, 0) &= f(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{d\psi(t)}{dt} = \pm c \frac{d}{dx} \psi(t) \\ \psi(0) = f \in L_2(-\infty, \infty) \end{cases}$$

- Consider:

$$\phi(x, t) = [T(t)f](x) = f(x \pm ct)$$

In class: $T(t)$ defines a C_0 -semigroup on $L_2(-\infty, \infty)$ ■

- The infinitesimal generator of a C_0 -semigroup $T(t)$ on \mathbb{H}

$$\mathcal{A}f = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{T(t)f - f}{t}$$

$$\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}) = \left\{ f \in \mathbb{H}; \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{T(t)f - f}{t} \text{ exists} \right\}$$

- A couple of additional notes

- ★ Change of coordinates:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \phi_t(x, t) &= \pm c \phi_x(x, t) \\ \phi(x, 0) &= f(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned} \right\} \xrightarrow{z = x \pm ct} \left\{ \begin{aligned} \phi_t(z, t) &= 0 \\ \phi(z, 0) &= f(z), \quad z \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned} \right.$$

- ★ Reaction-convection equation:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \phi_t(x, t) &= \pm c \phi_x(x, t) + a \phi(x, t) \\ \phi(x, 0) &= f(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

C_0 -semigroup:

$$\phi(x, t) = [T(t) f](x) = e^{a t} f(x \pm ct)$$

$a > 0$ exponentially growing traveling wave

$a < 0$ exponentially decaying traveling wave

Infinite number of decoupled scalar states

- Abstract evolution equation on $\ell_2(\mathbb{N})$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \psi_1(t) \\ \psi_2(t) \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & & \\ & a_2 & \\ & & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \psi_1(t) \\ \psi_2(t) \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \frac{d\psi(t)}{dt} = \mathcal{A}\psi(t)$$

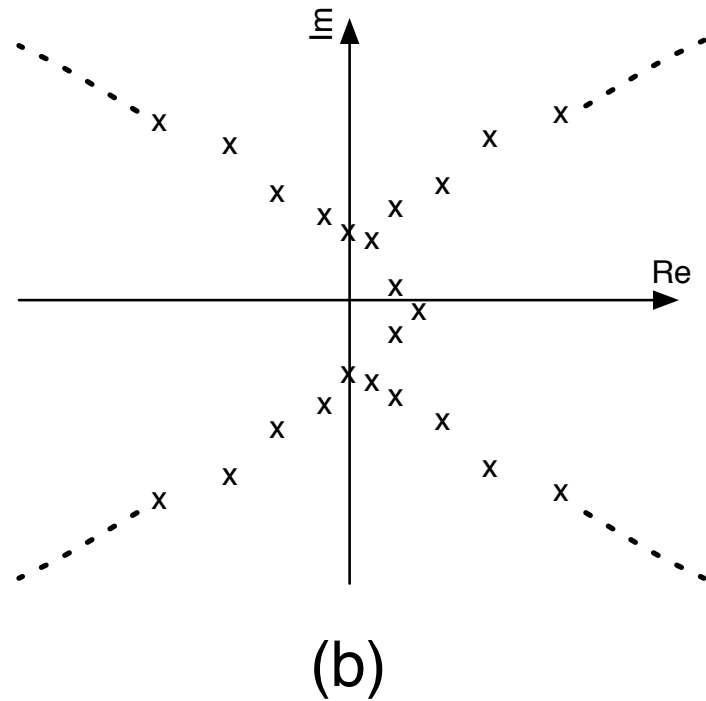
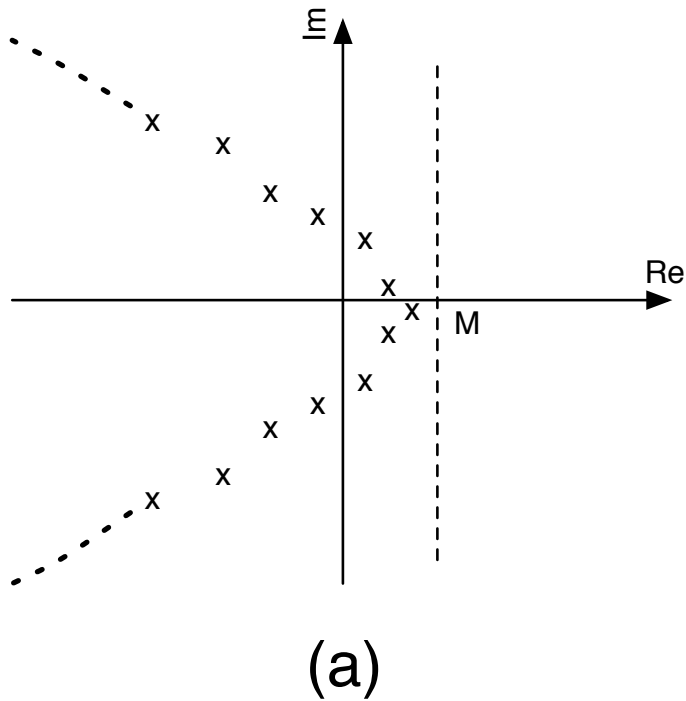
Solution

$$\psi(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \psi_1(t) \\ \psi_2(t) \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{a_1 t} & & \\ & e^{a_2 t} & \\ & & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \psi_1(0) \\ \psi_2(0) \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} = T(t)\psi(0)$$

- In class: conditions for well-posedness on $\ell_2(\mathbb{N})$

- Half-plane condition:

$$\sup_n \operatorname{Re}(a_n) < M < \infty$$



Same condition for:

$$T(t) f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{a_n t} v_n \langle v_n, f \rangle$$

Continuum of decoupled scalar states

$$\dot{\psi}(\kappa, t) = a(\kappa) \psi(\kappa, t), \quad \kappa \in \mathbb{R}$$

Solution

$$\psi(\kappa, t) = [T(t) \psi(\cdot, 0)](\kappa) = e^{a(\kappa)t} \psi(\kappa, 0)$$

- Homework: conditions for well-posedness on $L_2(-\infty, \infty)$ ■

Half-plane condition:

$$\sup_{\kappa \in \mathbb{R}} \operatorname{Re}(a(\kappa)) < M < \infty$$

Hille-Yosida Theorem

closed, densely defined operator \mathcal{A} on \mathbb{H} :

\mathcal{A} - infinitesimal generator of a C_0 -semigroup with $\|T(t)\| \leq M e^{\omega t}$

\Leftrightarrow

every real $\lambda > \omega$ is in $\rho(\mathcal{A})$ and $\|(\lambda I - \mathcal{A})^{-n}\| \leq \frac{M}{(\lambda - \omega)^n}$ for all $n \geq 1$

- Difficult to check
- Important consequence: a method for computing $T(t)$

$$T(t) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left(I - \frac{t}{N} \mathcal{A} \right)^{-N}$$

Implicit Euler:

$$\frac{d\psi(t)}{dt} = \mathcal{A}\psi(t) \Rightarrow \frac{\psi(t + \Delta t) - \psi(t)}{\Delta t} = \mathcal{A}\psi(t + \Delta t)$$

Lumer-Phillips Theorem

closed, densely defined operator \mathcal{A} on \mathbb{H} :

$$\operatorname{Re}(\langle \psi, \mathcal{A} \psi \rangle) \leq \omega \|\psi\|^2 \quad \text{for all } \psi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A})$$

$$\operatorname{Re}(\langle \psi, \mathcal{A}^\dagger \psi \rangle) \leq \omega \|\psi\|^2 \quad \text{for all } \psi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}^\dagger)$$

\Downarrow

\mathcal{A} - infinitesimal generator of a C_0 -semigroup with $\|T(t)\| \leq e^{\omega t}$

• Examples:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} [\mathcal{A} f](x) = \left[\frac{df}{dx} \right](x) \\ \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}) = \left\{ f \in L_2[-1, 1], \frac{df}{dx} \in L_2[-1, 1], f(1) = 0 \right\} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} [\mathcal{A} f](x) = \left[\frac{d^2 f}{dx^2} \right](x) \\ \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}) = \left\{ f \in L_2[-1, 1], \frac{d^2 f}{dx^2} \in L_2[-1, 1], f(\pm 1) = 0 \right\} \end{array} \right.$$