

Semigroups & Delay equations, Solutions 1.

Ex 1. a) If $\lambda \in \rho(A)$ in the sense of Def. 2.

then clearly $\lambda \in \rho(A)$ in the sense of Def. 1.

Assume then that $\lambda \in \rho(A)$ in the sense of Def. 1, and that A is closed, meaning $G(A) \subset X \times X$ is closed.

Then we see from the following easy equivalences

$$G(A) \text{ is closed } \Leftrightarrow G(\lambda - A) \text{ is closed}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow G(\lambda - A)^{-1} \text{ is closed}$$

that $G(\lambda - A)^{-1}$ is indeed closed. But since $(\lambda - A)^{-1}$ is bounded (by (iii)) this can only be if its domain $D(\lambda - A)^{-1} = R(\lambda - A)$ is closed.

$$\therefore \underline{R(\lambda - A) = \overline{R(\lambda - A)} \stackrel{(ii)}{=} X}.$$

To find A for which $\rho(A) \neq \emptyset$ in the sense of Def. 1 but \emptyset in Def. 2, we should start with a closed operator and restrict its domain in a suitable way.

For example we could take generator $\frac{d}{dx}$ in Ex 2, and set $A := \frac{d}{dx}|_I$, where I is the Schwartz-class.

Then, as you can check,

$$\mathcal{D} R(\lambda - A) \neq L^p \text{ nor } C([r, c])$$

for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$.

Ex 1 b) "Computation" in a) already proved

$\rho(A) \neq \emptyset$ in the sense 2. $\Rightarrow A$ is closed.

For a closed A such that $\rho(A) = \emptyset$ consider multiplication operator $M_f: \mathcal{D} \rightarrow L^p$

$$M_f(\varphi)(x) := f(x)\varphi(x) \quad (x \in \mathbb{R})$$

where $\mathcal{D} = \{\varphi \in L^p : f\varphi \in L^p\}$, and f a measurable function. It is very easy to see M_f is closed (check it!).

Finally, $\varphi \in \mathcal{R}(\lambda - M_f) \Leftrightarrow \exists \psi \in \mathcal{D} : \lambda\psi - f\psi = \varphi$

$$\Leftrightarrow \psi = \frac{\varphi}{\lambda - f} \in L^p$$

Therefore $\mathcal{R}(\lambda - M_f) = L^p$ iff $\frac{\varphi}{\lambda - f} \in L^p$ for all $\varphi \in L^p$, which holds iff $\lambda \notin \text{essential-range of } f$.

So, pick f measurable such that $\overline{f(\mathbb{R})} = \mathcal{C}$, and let $A := M_f$. Then

$$\rho(A) = \emptyset$$

Ex 2 The properties $T(0) = \mathbb{1}$ and $T(t+s) = T(t)T(s)$ are plain.

For the strong continuity it is sufficient to prove the limit $\lim_{t \downarrow 0} \|T(t)x - x\| = 0$ for all x in a dense subset. (General fact; follows from the equicont. of the family $\{T(t) : t \in [0, T]\}$)

As a dense subset in both $C([-r, 0])$ and $L^p([-r, 0])$ we pick $D_c^\infty([-r, 0])$. Then it's easy to check

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{t \downarrow 0} \|T(t)\varphi(\theta) - \varphi(\theta)\|_X &= \lim_{t \downarrow 0} \|\varphi(\theta+t) - \varphi(\theta)\|_X \\ &= 0 \quad (\varphi \in D_c^\infty([-r, 0])) \end{aligned}$$

where X can be either $C([-r, 0])$ or $L^p([-r, 0])$.

The Generator A :

By the basic properties we know $f \in \mathcal{D}(A)$ iff there exists an element $g \in X$ such that, for $t \geq 0$,

$$T(t)f(\theta) - f(\theta) = \int_0^t T(s)g(\theta) ds \quad (\theta \in [-r, 0]).$$

Then g is then Af . (Why? Since then $\exists \lim_{t \downarrow 0} \frac{T(t)f - f}{t} = g$.)

All we have to do now is to see what the identity above means explicitly. In fact, fix θ to be $-r$. It becomes

$$f(-r+t) - f(-r) = \int_0^t g(-r+s) ds \quad (*) \quad (\forall t \in [0, \infty)),$$

This is equivalent to f being absolutely cont. on $[-r, \infty)$ and $f' = g$ (*) g is extended by zero to $(0, \infty)$.

Ex 2: Therefore, in both cases, $\mathcal{X} = L^p$ or C_0 , we find that A "acts" like $\frac{d}{dt}$. The difference comes from the requirement that $g = Af$ must belong to \mathcal{X} .

Case 1. $C([r, 0])$: $D(A_1) = \{f \in C([r, 0]) : f' \in C([r, 0])\}$

Case 2. $L^p([r, 0])$: $D(A_2) = \{f \in L^p([r, 0]) : f' \in L^p([r, 0]), \underline{f(0) = 0}\}$

The $f(0) = 0$ follows from the subtle fact that the extension of f to $[-r, \infty)$ must have the representation $(*)$.

Resolvent $(\lambda - A)^{-1} = \int_0^\infty dt e^{-\lambda t} T(t)$:

As a general strategy, we can always use the fact the A is closed and the definitions in Ex 1. are equivalent.

Thus it suffices to find it, if it exists, on a dense subset.

Again \mathcal{I} is dense in \mathcal{X} in both cases. Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$.

We try defining an operator on \mathcal{I} by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I} \ni \varphi &\mapsto \int_0^\infty dt e^{-\lambda t} T(t) \varphi(\theta) \\ &= \underline{\int_0^\infty dt e^{-\lambda t} \varphi(\theta + t)}, \quad (\theta \in [-r, 0]). \end{aligned}$$

Clearly this defines a bounded operator in either \mathcal{X} -norm. Thus it can be uniquely extended to \mathcal{X} . Basically this means we can define $(\lambda - A)^{-1}$ by the Laplace T : $\int_0^\infty dt e^{-\lambda t} T(t)$ for all λ . This of course means $\lambda \in \rho(A)$ and $\rho(A) = \mathbb{C}$ since λ was arbit.

Remark: Both A and $(\lambda - A)^{-1}$ can be found by direct calc. using results from analysis. This, however, can nicely be avoided by using general semigroup results!

Ex 3: First note the representation

$$T(t)f(x) = K_t * f(x), \quad (x \in \mathbb{R}, t > 0, f \in \mathcal{X}),$$

where $K_t(y) = \frac{e^{-y^2/2t}}{\sqrt{2\pi t}}$. The following properties are considered known:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} K_t(y) dy = 1, \quad \forall t > 0 \quad ; \quad \widehat{K_t}(p) = \frac{e^{-\frac{tp^2}{2}}}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

To get started, the semigroup property $T(t+s) = T(t)T(s)$ follows, if we can show $\widehat{K_{t+s}} = \widehat{K_t * K_s}$, $\forall t, s > 0$.

By taking Fourier-T. the identity becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{e^{-(t+s)p^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} &= \widehat{K_{t+s}}(p) \stackrel{?}{=} \sqrt{2\pi} \widehat{K_t}(p) \widehat{K_s}(p) \\ &= \sqrt{2\pi} \frac{e^{-tp^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{e^{-sp^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}}, \quad (p \in \mathbb{R}), \end{aligned}$$

which, it appears, is indeed true (so we can remove the "?").

Strong continuity:

As before, by equicontinuity of the family $\{T(t) : t \in [0, 1]\}$, it is sufficient to show the strong continuity on a dense subset.

Schwartz class $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$ is dense in both $L^p(\mathbb{R})$

and $BUC(\mathbb{R})$. For any $\varphi \in \mathcal{S}$ we can surely use OCT to see

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy \frac{e^{-y^2/2t}}{\sqrt{2\pi t}} f(x-y) \stackrel{y=xtu}{=} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} du \frac{e^{-u^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} f(x-xtu) \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} du \frac{e^{-u^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} f(x) = f(x),$$

uniformly on x , by the unif. cont. of \mathcal{S} .

... Ex 3: That does it for $\mathcal{X} = \text{BUC}(\mathbb{R})$ - case. For L^p one can use, for example, Jensen's ineq.

$$\|K_t * \varphi - \varphi\|_p^p = \int dx \left| \int \frac{e^{-u^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} (\varphi(x-\sqrt{t}u) - \varphi(x)) \right|^p$$

$$\leq \int \frac{e^{-u^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} |\varphi(x-\sqrt{t}u) - \varphi(x)|^p$$

$$\text{(Fubini)} \leq \int \frac{e^{-u^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \|\tau_{\sqrt{t}u} \varphi - \varphi\|_p^p$$

↑
translation operator

Now $s \mapsto \tau_s \varphi$ is continuous in L^p norm ($p < \infty$), so that as $t \downarrow 0$ above, the last expression goes to 0 by DCT. And so $T(t)$ is strongly cont. in L^p .

Generator A:

First a bit of manipulation. Let $f \in \mathcal{X}$. Then

$$\frac{T(t)f(x) - f(x)}{t} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-y^2/2t}}{\sqrt{2\pi t}} \left(\frac{f(x-y) - f(x)}{t} \right) dy$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-y^2/2t}}{\sqrt{2\pi t}} \left(\frac{f(x-y) + f(x+y) - 2f(x)}{t} \right) dy$$

$$\stackrel{(y = \sqrt{t}u)}{=} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-u^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(\frac{f(x-\sqrt{t}u) + f(x+\sqrt{t}u) - 2f(x)}{t} \right) du$$

This looks like a "difference quotient" for the second derivative!

... Ex 3 That observation suggests we take $f \in \mathcal{X}$ such that $\exists f'' \in \mathcal{X}$. Then we have, in general, the identity

$$f(x-y) + f(x+y) - 2f(x) = \int_{-y}^y (y-|s|) f''(x+s) ds, \quad (x, y \in \mathbb{R}).$$

Applying this to our problem gives

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{T(f)f - f}{t}(x) &= \int_0^{\infty} du \frac{e^{-u^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{1}{t} \int_{-tu}^{tu} (tu-|s|) f''(x+s) ds \\ &= \frac{u^2}{t} \int_{-1}^1 (1-|v|) f''(x+uv) dv \end{aligned}$$

Now, using also $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-u^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} u^2 = 1$, we estimate

$$\left| \frac{T(f)f - f}{t}(x) - f''(x) \right| \leq \int_0^{\infty} du \frac{e^{-u^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} u^2 \frac{1}{t} \int_{-1}^1 (1-|v|) |f''(x+uv) - f''(x)| dv = \textcircled{*}$$

If $f'' \in \text{BUC}(\mathbb{R})$ then the term $\textcircled{*}$ goes to zero uniformly in x , implying $f'' = A_{\text{BUC}} f$.

If, on the other hand, $f'' \in L^p$, then we have

$$\left\| \frac{T(f)f - f}{t} - f'' \right\|_p^p \leq \int dx \left| \int_0^{\infty} du \frac{e^{-u^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{1}{t} \int_{-1}^1 (1-|v|) (f''(x+uv) - f''(x)) dv \right|^p$$

$$\text{(Double Jensen)} \leq \int dx \int_0^{\infty} du \frac{e^{-u^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{1}{t} \int_{-1}^1 (1-|v|) |f''(x+uv) - f''(x)|^p dv$$

$$\text{(Double-Fubini)} = \int_0^{\infty} du \frac{e^{-u^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{1}{t} \int_{-1}^1 (1-|v|) \| \tau_{uv} f'' - f'' \|_p^p$$

... Ex 3 By continuity of $t \mapsto T_t f''$ we see that the limit, as $t \rightarrow 0$, exists and is 0. Thus $f'' = A_{\text{loc}} f$.

So far we have

1. $\mathcal{D}(A_{\text{BUC}}) \supseteq \{f \in \text{BUC} : \exists f'' \in \text{BUC}\} = \mathcal{D}_1\left(\frac{d^2}{dx^2}\right)$
2. $\mathcal{D}(A_{L^p}) \supseteq \{f \in L^p : \exists f'' \in L^p\} = \mathcal{D}_1\left(\frac{d^2}{dx^2}\right)$

We could go and work the other inclusion directly. However, recall that A is the generator of a contraction semigroup, so that $\rho(A)$ contains at least $\{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Re } \lambda > 0\}$. If we now can find just one $\mu > 0$ such that $\exists (\mu - \frac{d^2}{dx^2})^{-1} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, it then follows A cannot be a proper extension of $\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$, for then $\mu - A \supsetneq \mu - \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \Rightarrow (\mu - A)^{-1} \supsetneq (\mu - \frac{d^2}{dx^2})^{-1}$ BUT $(\mu - \frac{d^2}{dx^2})^{-1}$ ALREADY HAS FULL DOMAIN.

Thus we look for $\mu > 0$ s.t. $\mu \in \rho(\frac{d^2}{dx^2})$. First note that $\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$ is a closed operator (try it if you don't know it; it's easy to prove). Therefore it suffices to check conditions of Def. 1 in Ex 1.

(i) Injectivity: If $f, g \in \mathcal{D}(\frac{d^2}{dx^2})$, $\mu \in \mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, 0]$ then

$$\begin{aligned} (\mu - \frac{d^2}{dx^2}) f &= (\mu - \frac{d^2}{dx^2}) g \\ \Leftrightarrow (\mu + p^2) \hat{f} &= (\mu + p^2) \hat{g} \quad , \text{ as Schwartz distributions } \hat{f}, \hat{g} \in \mathcal{Y}' \\ \Leftrightarrow \hat{f}(\mu + p^2) \psi &= \hat{g}(\mu + p^2) \psi \quad \forall \psi \in \mathcal{Y} \\ \Leftrightarrow \hat{f} &= \hat{g} \quad \text{since } \mu \notin (-\infty, 0] \\ \Leftrightarrow \underline{f} &= \underline{g} \quad \text{Done.} \end{aligned}$$

... Ex 3: (ii) Condition $\mathcal{R}(\mu - \frac{d^2}{dx^2}) = \mathcal{X}$:

Let $\psi \in \mathcal{Y}$; then for $\mu \in \mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, 0]$

$$(\mu - \frac{d^2}{dx^2})\psi = \psi \Leftrightarrow (\mu + p^2)\hat{\psi} = \hat{\psi}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \hat{\psi}(p) = \frac{\hat{\psi}(p)}{\mu + p^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \psi(x) = \sqrt{2\pi} \left(\frac{1}{\mu + p^2}\right)^\vee * \psi(x).$$

The expression for ψ shows ψ belongs to \mathcal{X} at least, thus ensuring that $\mathcal{R}(\mu - \frac{d^2}{dx^2}) \supseteq \mathcal{Y}$ so we're done.

(iii) Boundedness of $(\mu - \frac{d^2}{dx^2})^{-1}: \mathcal{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$:

It's sufficient to show boundedness on a dense subset \mathcal{J} .

This we do by completing the expression above.

One checks that for $\mu \in \mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, 0]$ we have

$$\left(\frac{1}{\mu + p^2}\right)^\vee(x) = \frac{1}{\mu} \left(\frac{1}{1 + (\frac{p}{\sqrt{\mu}})^2}\right)^\vee(x) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2\mu}} e^{-\sqrt{\mu}|x|},$$

so we get as resolvent

$$\left(\mu - \frac{d^2}{dx^2}\right)^{-1}\psi(x) = \psi(x) = \boxed{\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\mu}} e^{-\sqrt{\mu}|x|} * \psi(x)}, \quad (x \in \mathbb{R}),$$

which clearly defines a bounded operator.

This, then completes the proof that $\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$ is A and hence gives a representation for $(A - \lambda)^{-1}$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, 0]$ too.

... Ex 3: How about the values $\lambda \in (-\infty, 0]$?

Answer: Then $\lambda \notin \rho(A)$.

Proof: In ahead I'll resort to distributions again.

If $\lambda < 0$ Pick g such that \hat{g} is e.g. some Gaussian

$$\hat{g}(p) = \frac{e^{-(p-\sqrt{\mu})^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}}, \text{ so that, and this is the point,}$$

$\hat{g}(p) \geq \delta > 0$ "around" $\sqrt{\mu}$. Then g surely belongs even to \mathcal{Y} ,

and yet if there were $f \in \mathcal{X}$ such that

$$(\lambda - A)f = g, \text{ then } (\lambda + p^2)\hat{f} = \hat{g}, \text{ and}$$

$$\hat{f}(p) = \frac{\hat{g}(p)}{\lambda + p^2}.$$

But such function \hat{f} is not locally integrable and thus

$\hat{f} \notin \mathcal{Y}'$ what it certainly did if $f \in \mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathcal{Y}'$.

Hence no such $f \in \mathcal{X}$ exists and

$$\mathcal{R}(\lambda - A) \neq \mathcal{X} \text{ for } \lambda < 0. \quad \square$$

Ex 4: Let $x \in \mathcal{D}(A^2)$. Then one can prove, just as in calculus, the "Taylor expansion"

$$T(t)x = x + tAx + \int_0^t ds (t-s) T(s) A^2 x, \quad (t \geq 0).$$

Now, using $\|T(t)\| \leq M$ we can estimate

$$\begin{aligned} M\|x\| &\geq \|T(t)x\| \\ &\geq -\|x\| + t\|Ax\| - \left\| \int_0^t ds (t-s) T(s) A^2 x \right\| \\ &\geq -\|x\| + t\|Ax\| - M\|A^2 x\| \underbrace{\int_0^t ds (t-s)}_{t^2/2} \end{aligned}$$

So that

$$\frac{M\|A^2 x\|}{2} t^2 - \|Ax\| t + (M+1)\|x\| \geq 0$$

for all $t \geq 0$, and in fact all $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Therefore the discriminant of the polynomial in t must be ≤ 0 :

$$\|Ax\|^2 - 4 \cdot \frac{M\|A^2 x\|}{2} \cdot (M+1)\|x\| \leq 0.$$

This gives us

$$\begin{aligned} \|Ax\|^2 &\leq 2 \cdot \underbrace{(M+1)M}_{\leq 2M} \|A^2 x\| \|x\| \end{aligned}$$

Ex 5: The left translation semigroup $\tau_+ f(x) := f(x-t)$, $f \in BUC(\mathbb{R})$ is clearly strongly cont. by uniform cont. of the elements.

We show first that its generator A is $-\frac{d}{dx}$ with domain $D(A) = \{f \in BUC : f' \in BUC\}$:

Direction $D(A) \subseteq \dots$ is plain.

Let us then consider $f \in BUC$ such that $f' \in BUC$.

Then easily

$$\left\| \frac{f(x-t) - f(x)}{t} - f'(x) \right\|_{\infty} \leq \frac{1}{t} \int_{-t}^0 \|f'(x+s) - f'(x)\|_{\infty} ds$$

$$\xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0} 0,$$

since $f' \in BUC$. Thus $f \in D(A)$. Done.

Now we can apply Ex 4 to τ_+ with $M=1$.

In this case $f \in D(A^2)$ implies $Af = -f'$ and $A^2 f = f''$

so we have

$$\|f''\|_{\infty}^2 \leq 4 \|f''\|_{\infty} \|f\|_{\infty}.$$

Btw. This makes sense, doesn't it?