



## Evolutionsgleichungen: Exercise Sheet 9

Submission in pairs is possible. If you have any questions or need a hint, send a mail to  
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Exercises marked with \* are bonus exercises.

1. For this exercise we use the fact that each  $f \in H^1((a, b))$  can be identified with a function in  $C([a, b])$  and that

$$f(x) = f(a) + \int_a^x f'(y) dy$$

for all  $x \in [a, b]$ . (Each  $f \in H^1((a, b))$  is an equivalence class of functions. One can show that this equivalence class contains exactly one function in  $C([a, b])$  and then identify  $f$  with it.)

Now let  $b > 0$  and  $V := \{u \in H^1((0, b)) : u(0) = 0\}$ .

- (i) Show the *Poincaré inequality* (2)

$$\int_0^b |u(x)|^2 dx \leq \frac{b^2}{2} \int_0^b |u'(x)|^2 dx \text{ for all } u \in V.$$

- (ii) Show that the sesquilinear form (2)

$$a : V \times V \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad (u, v) \mapsto \int_0^b u'(x) \overline{v'(x)} dx$$

is continuous and coercive.

- (iii) We now consider  $V$  as a subspace of  $H := L^2((0, b))$ . Show that the for  $a$  on  $H$  is sectorial, (2)  
closed and densely defined.

(Hint: Use exercise 4 of exercise sheet 8.)

- (iv) Show that for  $f, g \in H^1((0, b))$  we have (2)

$$\int_0^b f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x) dx = f(b)g(b) - f(0)g(0).$$

- (v) Show that the associated operator  $A$  with  $a$  is given by (2)

$$D(A) = \{u \in H^2((0, b)) : u(0) = 0, u'(b) = 0\}, \\ Au = -u'' \text{ for all } u \in D(A).$$

Here

$$H^2((0, b)) = \{f \in H^1((0, b)) : f' \in H^1((0, b))\}$$

and  $f'' := (f')'$  for  $f \in H^2((0, b))$ .

*Anmerkung:* By the results of the lecture,  $-A$  generates a holomorphic contraction semigroup on  $L^2((0, b))$ .

2. (i) Let  $A$  generate a strongly continuous **group** on a Banach space  $X$ . Show that  $A^2$  generates a (4)  
bounded holomorphic  $C_0$ -semigroup on  $X$ .

(Hint: Let  $\theta \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$  be arbitrary and  $\lambda \in \Sigma_{\frac{\pi}{2} + \theta}$ . We find a root  $\mu = re^{i\alpha}$  of  $\lambda$  with  $|\alpha| < \frac{1}{2}(\frac{\pi}{2} + \theta)$ . Write the operator  $(\lambda - A^2)$  as a product and show that  $\lambda \in \rho(A^2)$  and

$$R(\lambda, A^2) = R(\mu, A)R(\mu, -A).$$

Then use this identity as well as estimates for the resolvents of  $A$  and  $-A$  to verify condition (i) in theorem (20.3.)

*Remark:* The result proved here extends to the unbounded case: If  $A$  is the generator of any  $C_0$ -group, then  $A^2$  generates a holomorphic  $C_0$ -semigroup.

- (ii) We consider the operator  $A$  on  $C_0(\mathbb{R})$  given by (2)

$$\begin{aligned} D(A) &:= \{f \in C^2(\mathbb{R}) : f, f', f'' \in C_0(\mathbb{R})\}, \\ Af &:= f'' \text{ for all } f \in D(A). \end{aligned}$$

Show that  $A$  generates a holomorphic  $C_0$ -semigroup.

3. We consider the following version of the so called *Black-Scholes equation* which describes the value of call-options at the European stock market.

$$\begin{cases} \frac{du}{dt}(x, t) = -\frac{\sigma^2}{2} x^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}(x, t) - rx \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(x, t) + ru(x, t) & \text{for all } x \in (0, \infty), t \in [0, T], \\ u(x, T) = h(x) & \text{for all } x \in (0, \infty), \end{cases}$$

where  $\sigma > 0$  (volatility),  $r > 0$  (interest rate) and  $T > 0$  (tenor) are fixed parameters and  $h \in C_0((0, \infty))$  a fixed function. By substitution and rescaling this problem can be described by the abstract Cauchy problem

$$\begin{aligned} f'(t) &= Af(t) \text{ for all } t \geq 0, \\ f(0) &= h \end{aligned}$$

on the space  $C_0((0, \infty))$  where

$$\begin{aligned} D(A) &:= \{f \in C^2((0, \infty)) : q^2 \cdot f'', q \cdot f', f \in C_0((0, \infty))\}, \\ Af &:= q^2 \cdot f'' + c \cdot q \cdot f' - cf \text{ for } f \in D(A) \end{aligned}$$

and  $q(x) := x$  for all  $x \in (0, \infty)$  as well as  $c := \frac{2r}{\sigma^2} > 0$ . We want to show that  $(A, D(A))$  generates a holomorphic  $C_0$ -semigroup.

- (i) Let  $\eta := \frac{1}{2}(c - 1)$  and define  $(B, D(B))$  by (2\*)

$$\begin{aligned} D(B) &:= \{f \in C^1((0, \infty)) : q \cdot f', f \in C_0((0, \infty))\}, \\ Bf &:= q \cdot f' \text{ for all } f \in D(B). \end{aligned}$$

Show that  $D(A) = D(B^2)$  and

$$Af = (B + \eta)^2 f - (1 + \eta)^2 f$$

for all  $f \in D(A)$ .

- (ii) Show that  $Vf(x) := f(e^x)$  for  $f \in C_0((0, \infty))$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  defines an isometric isomorphism (2\*)

$$V : C_0((0, \infty)) \longrightarrow C_0(\mathbb{R}).$$

- (iii) Show that the operator  $VBV^{-1}$  (with domain  $\{f \in C_0(\mathbb{R}) : V^{-1}f \in D(B)\}$ ) is the first derivative on  $C_0(\mathbb{R})$  with domain (2\*)

$$\{f \in C^1(\mathbb{R}) : f, f' \in C_0(\mathbb{R})\}.$$

- (iv) Show that  $(A, D(A))$  generates a holomorphic  $C_0$ -semigroup. You may use the generalized result of exercise 2(i). (2\*)