

## Exercises 2

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1. For all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left\| \frac{t^n A^n}{n!} \right\| = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(|t| \|A\|)^n}{n!} = e^{|t| \|A\|},$$

i.e. the series  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^i A^i}{i!}$  is absolutely convergent and therefore convergent since  $\mathcal{L}(X)$  is complete. Furthermore, we obtain the estimate

$$\|e^{tA}\| \leq e^{|t| \|A\|}$$

which shows  $T(t) \in \mathcal{L}(X)$ . Obviously, we have  $T(0) = \text{Id}$ . The absolute convergence of the exponential series allows to compute the product of  $T(s)$  and  $T(t)$  for  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$  via the Cauchy product formula:

$$\begin{aligned} T(s)T(t) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{s^n A^n}{n!} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^k A^k}{k!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{s^k A^k t^{n-k} A^{n-k}}{k!(n-k)!} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{A^n}{n!} \underbrace{\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} s^k t^{n-k}}_{=(s+t)^n} = e^{(s+t)A} = T(s+t). \end{aligned}$$

The semigroup is not only strongly continuous but actually continuous with respect to the operator norm:

$$\|T(t) - \text{Id}\| = \left\| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{t^n A^n}{n!} \right\| \leq |t| \|A\| \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^n \|A\|^n}{(n+1)!} = e^{|t| \|A\|} - 1 \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } t \rightarrow 0.$$

Since  $T(s)T(t) = T(s+t)$  holds for all  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$ , we get  $T(-t)T(t) = \text{Id} = T(t)T(-t)$ , which is nothing else than  $T(-t) = T(t)^{-1}$ .

The generator of  $T$  is the operator  $A : X \rightarrow X$ . Consider an arbitrary  $f \in X$ . Then:

$$\frac{T(t)f - f}{t} = \frac{1}{t} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{t^n A^n f}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^n A^{n+1} f}{(n+1)!} = Af + \underbrace{|t| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{t^{n-1} A^{n+1} f}{(n+1)!}}_{\rightarrow 0 \text{ for } t \rightarrow 0} \rightarrow Af \text{ for } t \rightarrow 0.$$

This implies that  $X$  is the domain of the generator, and that thereon the generator works like  $A$ , indeed really is  $A$ .

2. Consider the nilpotent left shift  $S_0$  on the Hilbert space  $X := L^2(0, 1)$  and define the strongly continuous semigroup  $T$  via  $T(t) = e^{tz}S_0(t)$  for some positive real number  $z > 0$ . Then we have

$$\|T(t)\| = \begin{cases} e^{tz} & \text{for } t \in [0, 1), \\ 0 & \text{for } t \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

This strongly continuous semigroup is bounded by  $e^z$ , but not a contraction semigroup.

3. (a)
  - $S(0) = R^{-1}T(0)R = \text{Id}$ .
  - $S(t) \in \mathcal{L}(X)$ , da  $R, R^{-1}, T(t) \in \mathcal{L}(X)$  ( $t \geq 0$ ).
  - $\forall s, t \geq 0$ :

$$\begin{aligned} S(t+s) &= R^{-1}T(t+s)R = R^{-1}T(t)T(s)R = (R^{-1}T(t)R)(R^{-1}T(s)R) \\ &= S(t)S(s) \end{aligned}$$

- Choose  $f \in X$  arbitrarily. Then  $t \mapsto T(t)f$  is continuous and therefore  $t \mapsto R^{-1}T(t)Rf$  as well.
- Let us denote the infinitesimal generator of  $S$  by  $A_S$  and analogously, the one of  $T$  by  $A_T$ . Then we obtain the following chain of equivalences:

$$\begin{aligned} f \in D(A_T) &\Leftrightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{T(t)f - f}{t} \text{ exists} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{RS(t)R^{-1}f - RR^{-1}f}{t} \text{ exists} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} R \frac{S(t)(R^{-1}f) - R^{-1}f}{t} \text{ exists} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{S(t)(R^{-1}f) - R^{-1}f}{t} \text{ exists} \\ &\Leftrightarrow R^{-1}f \in D(A_S) \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $D(A_S) = R^{-1}D(A_T)$ , and for all  $f \in D(A_S)$ , we obtain:

$$A_S f = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{S(t)f - f}{t} = R^{-1} \left[ \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{T(t)Rf - Rf}{t} \right] = R^{-1}A_T Rf$$

- In order to determine the growth bound, consider an arbitrary  $\omega > \omega_0(T)$ . Then there is  $M \geq 1$  such that for all  $t \geq 0$  the inequality  $\|T(t)\| \leq M e^{\omega t}$  holds. This leads to  $\|S(t)\| \leq \|R^{-1}\| \|R\| M e^{\omega t}$  which implies  $\omega \geq \omega_0(S)$  and finally  $\omega_0(T) \geq \omega_0(S)$ . Interchanging the roles of  $S$  and  $T$  (notice the symmetry of the situation) yields  $\omega_0(S) \geq \omega_0(T)$ . This gives us at the end:  $\omega_0(T) = \omega_0(S)$ .

(b) We will not show the semigroup properties, they are even easier to see than in the part above. We consider only the strong continuity, generator and growth bound questions:

- Let  $f \in X$ . Then:

$$\|S(t)f - f\| = \|e^{tz}T(t)f - f\| \leq \underbrace{\|e^{tz} - 1\|}_{\rightarrow 0 \text{ for } t \rightarrow 0^+ \text{ locally bounded}} \underbrace{\|T(t)f\|}_{\rightarrow 0} + \underbrace{\|T(t)f - f\|}_{\rightarrow 0} \rightarrow 0$$

- Denote again the generator of  $S$  by  $A_S$  and the one of  $T$  by  $A_T$ . Then we have for  $f \in D(A_T)$ : Since  $t \mapsto T(t)f$  is differentiable,  $t \mapsto e^{tz}T(t)f$  is differentiable due to the product rule. This leads to  $D(A_S) \subset D(A_T)$ . Since  $T(t) = e^{-tz}S(t)$ , we obtain by the same argument  $D(A_T) \subset D(A_S)$ , thus  $D(A_T) = D(A_S)$ . Finally, for  $f \in D(A_S)$ , we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} A_S f &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{e^{tz}T(t)f - f}{t} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \left[ \frac{e^{tz} - 1}{t} T(t)f + \frac{T(t)f - f}{t} \right] \\ &= z f + A_T f, \end{aligned}$$

hence  $A_S = z + A_T$ .

- For  $\omega > \omega_0(T)$  there is  $M \geq 1$  such that for all  $t \geq 0$ :  $\|T(t)\| \leq M e^{\omega t}$ . This implies  $\|S(t)\| \leq M e^{t(\omega + \operatorname{Re}(z))}$ , which again leads to  $\omega_0(S) \leq \omega + \operatorname{Re}(z)$ . From this, we gain  $\omega_0(S) \leq \omega_0(T) + \operatorname{Re}(z)$ . Using  $T(t) = e^{-tz}S(t)$ , we obtain  $\omega_0(T) \leq \omega_0(S) - \operatorname{Re}(z)$ . In total:  $\omega_0(S) = \omega_0(T) + \operatorname{Re}(z)$ .

(c) Again, we omit the semigroup properties and consider strong continuity, the generator and the growth bound:

- Given  $f \in X$ , denote by  $u$  the continuous function  $u : t \mapsto T(t)f$ . Then  $t \mapsto S(t)f = u(\alpha t)$  is as the composition of the continuous mappings  $t \mapsto \alpha t$  and  $u$  again continuous.
- We obtain  $D(A_S) = D(A_T)$  (notation as above) from the observation  $\frac{S(t)f - f}{t} = \alpha \frac{T(\alpha t)f - f}{\alpha t}$ . This also leads to  $A_S = \alpha A_T$ .
- $\|S(t)\| \leq M e^{\alpha \omega t}$  whenever  $T$  is of type  $(M, \omega)$  and  $\|T(t)\| \leq M e^{\frac{\omega}{\alpha} t}$  whenever  $S$  is of type  $(M, \omega)$ . Thus,  $\omega_0(S) = \alpha \omega_0(T)$ .

4. WOULD BE NICE TO KNOW

5. We have to prove, that for  $p \in [1, \infty)$  the infinitesimal generator  $A$  of the left shift semigroup  $S$  on  $L^p(\mathbb{R})$  is given by

$$D(A) = W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}), \quad Af = f'.$$

Assume first that  $f \in D(A)$ , i.e. for  $t \rightarrow 0^+$  the limit  $\frac{T(t)f - f}{t}$  exists in  $L^p(\mathbb{R})$ . Now

consider for an arbitrary  $\varphi \in \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \varphi(x)(Af)(x) dx &\stackrel{(L^p \text{ conv.})}{=} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \varphi(x) \frac{[T(t)f](x) - f(x)}{t} dx \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) \frac{\varphi(x-t) - \varphi(x)}{t} dx \\ &\stackrel{(\varphi \in \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}))}{=} - \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) \varphi'(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

This shows weak differentiability of  $f$  and  $L^p(\mathbb{R}) \ni Af = f'$ , i.e.  $f \in W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R})$  and  $Af = f'$  for  $f \in D(A)$ .

Now assume  $f \in W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R})$ . We know, that in the one-dimensional case this implies that  $f$  can be considered as a continuous function and there exists  $g \in L^p(\mathbb{R})$  such that for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ :  $f(x) - f(0) = \int_0^x g(t) dt$ . From this, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{T(t)f - f}{t} - g \right\|_p^p &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left| \frac{f(x+t) - f(x)}{t} - g(x) \right|^p dx \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left| \frac{1}{t} \int_x^{x+t} (g(s) - g(x)) ds \right|^p dx \\ &\leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t |g(x+s) - g(x)|^p ds dx \\ &= \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}} |g(x+s) - g(x)|^p dx ds \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } t \rightarrow 0^+ \end{aligned}$$

because of the strong continuity of the left shift on  $L^p(\mathbb{R})$ . This yields  $f \in D(A)$  and  $Af = f'$  and finishes the proof.

6. Claim: The nilpotent left shift  $S_0$  on  $L^p(0,1)$  is a strongly continuous semigroup with generator  $A$ , given by

$$\begin{aligned} D(A) &= W_{(0)}^{1,p}(0,1) := \{f \in L^p(0,1) : f \text{ is continuous, } f(1) = 0, \text{ and there exists} \\ &\quad g \in L^p(0,1) : f(x) - f(0) = \int_0^x g(t) dt \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof:  $S_0(0) = \text{Id}$ ,  $S_0(t) \in \mathcal{L}(L^p(\mathbb{R}))$  (more precisely  $\|S_0(t)\| \leq 1$ ) for all  $t \geq 0$  and  $S_0(t+s) = S_0(t)S_0(s)$  for all  $s, t \geq 0$  are easily checked. Thus we consider only strong continuity at  $t = 0$ : Herefore, beware of  $\mathcal{C}_c^\infty(0,1)$  lying dense in  $L^p(0,1)$  and  $S_0$  being strongly continuous on  $\mathcal{C}_c^\infty(0,1) \subset L^p(0,1)$ . Since  $S_0$  is a contraction semigroup, we have strong continuity on the whole space  $L^p(0,1)$ .

Now consider the generator  $A$ : Take  $f \in D(A)$ . Then we get for  $\varphi \in \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(0, 1)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^1 Af(x)\varphi(x) dx &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \int_0^1 \frac{[S_0(t)f](x) - f(x)}{t} \varphi(x) dx \\
&= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \left[ \int_0^{1-t} \frac{f(x+t)}{t} \varphi(x) dx - \int_0^1 \frac{f(x)}{t} \varphi(x) dx \right] \\
&= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \left[ \int_t^1 f(x) \frac{\varphi(x-t)}{t} dx - \int_0^1 f(x) \frac{\varphi(x)}{t} dx \right] \\
&= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \int_0^1 f(x) \frac{\varphi(x-t) - \varphi(x)}{t} dx \\
&= - \int_0^1 f(x) \varphi'(x) dx
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\varphi$  shall be extended to  $\mathbb{R}$  by 0. This again yields  $f \in W^{1,p}(0, 1)$  (i.e.  $f$  is continuous and  $f(x) - f(0) = \int_0^x f'(t) dt$  where  $f' \in L^p(\mathbb{R})$  is the weak derivative) and  $Af = f'$ . Thus, we know that  $D(A) \subset W^{1,p}(0, 1)$ . Since  $S_0(t)f \in D(A) \subset W^{1,p}(0, 1) \subset \mathcal{C}[0, 1]$  for all  $t \geq 0$ , we must have  $f(1) = 0$ , which finally leads to  $D(A) \subset W_{(0)}^{1,p}(0, 1)$ .

Now consider  $f \in W_{(0)}^{1,p}(0, 1)$ . Then one can write

$$f(x) = - \int_x^1 f'(t) dt \text{ for } x \in [0, 1]$$

and we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
\left\| \frac{S_0(t)f - f}{t} - f' \right\|_p^p &= \int_0^1 \left| \frac{1}{t} \int_x^{\min\{x+t, 1\}} f'(s) ds - f'(x) \right|^p dx \\
&\leq \int_0^{1-t} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t |f'(x+s) - f'(x)|^p ds dx \\
&\quad + \int_{1-t}^1 \left| \frac{1}{t} \int_x^1 f'(s) ds - f'(x) \right|^p dx \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } t \rightarrow 0^+
\end{aligned}$$

due to Lebesgue's theorem and the strong continuity of the shift on  $L^p(0, 1)$ . This shows  $W_{(0)}^{1,p}(0, 1) \subset D(A)$ .

7. It is clear, that the nilpotent left shift  $S_0$  on  $\mathcal{C}_{(0)}([0, 1])$  is a strongly continuous semigroup.

Claim: The generator  $A$  of  $S_0$  is given by

$$D(A) = V := \{f \in \mathcal{C}_{(0)}([0, 1]) : f' \in \mathcal{C}_{(0)}([0, 1])\}, \quad Af = f'$$

Proof: Since  $\|\cdot\|_\infty$  convergence implies pointwise convergence,  $f \in D(A)$  must be differentiable on  $[0, 1)$ . Since  $f'$  is the uniform limit of continuous functions,  $f'$

must also be continuous on  $[0, 1]$ . Finally, for  $x = 1$ , we have for all  $t > 0$ :

$$\frac{[S_0(t)f](1) - f(1)}{t} = 0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f'(x).$$

Thus, we have  $D(A) \subset V$  and  $Af = f'$  for  $f \in D(A)$ .

The other way around, consider  $f \in V$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be arbitrary. Then there exists  $t_0 \in (0, 1)$  such that for all  $x \in [t_0, 1]$ :

$$|f'(x)| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

Since  $f'$  is uniformly continuous on  $[0, 1]$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|x - y| \leq \delta$  implies  $|f'(x) - f'(y)| \leq \varepsilon$ . Thus, for  $t \leq \min\{\delta, t_0\}$ , we obtain:

- If  $x \in [0, 1 - t]$ :  $\left| \frac{f(x+t) - f(x)}{t} - f'(x) \right| \leq \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t |f'(x+s) - f'(x)| ds \leq \varepsilon$
- If  $x \in [1 - t, 1]$ :  $\left| \frac{[S_0(t)f](x) - f(x)}{t} - f'(x) \right| \leq \left| -\frac{f(x)}{t} - f'(x) \right| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \frac{(1-x)}{t} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \leq \varepsilon$

Hence,  $\left\| \frac{S_0(t)f - f}{t} - f' \right\|_\infty \leq \varepsilon$  for all  $t \leq \min\{t_0, \delta\}$ . This proves  $f \in D(A)$  and  $Af = f'$ .

8. We denote by  $\mathcal{F}$  the Fourier transform on  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$  and by  $A$  the generator of  $T$ . This way, we obtain for  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ :

$$[\mathcal{F} \circ T(t)f](\xi) = [\mathcal{F}(g_t * f)](\xi) = \sqrt{2\pi}[\mathcal{F}(g_t)](\xi)[\mathcal{F}(f)](\xi) = e^{-t\xi^2}[\mathcal{F}(f)](\xi),$$

which means  $\mathcal{F} \circ T(t) \circ \mathcal{F}^{-1} = M_{e^{-t\xi^2}}$ , where we mean by  $M_{e^{-t\xi^2}}$  the multiplication operator  $g \mapsto e^{-t\xi^2}g$ . The generator of  $(M_{e^{-t\xi^2}})_{t \geq 0}$  shall be called  $B$ . Then we know from the third exercise:  $B = \mathcal{F}A\mathcal{F}^{-1}$  and  $D(A) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}(D(B))$ . Thus,

$$D(A) = \{f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}) : \mathcal{F}f \in D(B)\}.$$

Claim:  $B$  is given by

$$D(B) = \{f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}) : x^2 f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})\} \quad Bf = -x^2 f.$$

Proof: Let  $f \in D(B)$ . This implies: There exists a  $g \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$  with

$$\left\| \frac{e^{-tx^2} - 1}{t} f - g \right\|_2^2 \rightarrow 0.$$

Then for a.e.  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  holds:  $g(x) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{e^{-tx^2} - 1}{t} f(x) = -x^2 f(x)$ , which shows  $x^2 f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$  and  $Bf = -x^2 f$ .

Now consider  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$  with  $x^2 f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ . We get:

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{e^{-tx^2} - 1}{t} f + x^2 f \right\|_2^2 &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left( \frac{e^{-tx^2} - 1}{t} + x^2 \right)^2 f^2 dx \\ &\leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} |x^2 f|^2 (1 - e^{-tx^2})^2 dx \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } t \rightarrow 0^+ \end{aligned}$$

by Lebesgue's theorem. As integrable majorant, one can take  $|x^2 f|^2$ . This gives us  $f \in D(B)$  and  $Bf = -x^2 f$ .

This finally allows us to write

$$D(A) = \{f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}) : x^2 \mathcal{F}(f) \in L^2(\mathbb{R})\},$$

which is equivalent to  $D(A) = H^2(\mathbb{R})$ . Then,  $A$  can be written as  $Af = f''$  for  $f \in H^2(\mathbb{R})$ .

9. Since  $r \geq p$ ,  $1 + \frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{p} \leq 1$  and therefore, there exists  $q \in [1, \infty]$  such that  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 + \frac{1}{r}$ . Additionally, for  $t > 0$ ,  $g_t \in L^q(\mathbb{R})$  for all  $q \in [1, \infty]$  and hence Young's inequality leads us to

$$\|T(t)f\|_r = \|g_t * f\|_r \leq \|g_t\|_q \|f\|_p,$$

which proves  $T(t) \in \mathcal{L}(L^p(\mathbb{R}), L^r(\mathbb{R}))$  with  $\|T(t)\| \leq \|g_t\|_q$ .