

ALMOST PERIODICITY OF SOME SOLUTIONS TO  
TO LINEAR ABSTRACT EQUATIONS

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Introduction

Let  $E = E(\tau)$  be a Fréchet space where its topology  $\tau$  is generated by a family of continuous semi-norms  $Q = \{p_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ . Consider the following abstract evolution equation in  $E$ :

$$(1) \quad x'(t) = Ax(t), t \in \mathbb{R}$$

with the following assumptions:

(H<sub>1</sub>)  $A$  is a closed linear (generally unbounded) operator with domain  $D(A)$  dense in  $E$

(H<sub>2</sub>)  $A$  is the infinitesimal generator of a family of continuous one-parameter group  $T(t), t \in \mathbb{R}$

(H<sub>3</sub>)  $\forall p_i \in Q \exists p_j \in Q \ p_i(T(t)u) \leq p_j(u)$   
 $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}, \forall u \in E.$

We proved in [4] that if  $E$  is a perfect Fréchet space, then every solution  $x(t)$  of (1) such that  $\{x'(t): t \in \mathbb{R}\}$  is relatively compact in  $E$  is almost periodic in  $E$ . In section 1 of this paper we drop the assumption on  $E$  which seems severe and replace it by a more simple condition on the operator  $A$  for a more general situation, to get the same conclusion of almost-periodicity of  $x(t)$ .

In section 2, we prove almost periodicity of solutions with relatively compact range

in a Hilbert space. This result is known for the case  $A$  is symmetric (see [1] or [3] for a more general situation).

- I. Theorem 1: Consider equation (1) in a (not necessarily perfect) Fréchet space  $E$ . Let  $A$  such as in  $(H_1)$ – $(H_3)$  and with range  $R(A)$  dense in  $E$ . Then every solution  $x(t)$  of (1) with  $x(0) = x_0 \in D(A)$  and  $\{x'(t); t \in \mathbb{R}\}$  relatively compact in  $E$ , is almost-periodic.

Proof: We do it in 3 steps:

Lemma 1: Every solution of (1) has almost periodic derivative  $x'(t)$ .

Proof: Let  $(\tau_n)_{n=1}^\infty$ , be any given real sequence; then we can substract a subsequence  $(s_n)_{n=i}^\infty$  such that  $(x'(s_n))_{n=i}^\infty$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $E$  for  $\{x'(t); t \in \mathbb{R}\}$  is relatively compact in  $E$ . But we have

$$\begin{aligned} x'(t + s_n) &= Ax(t + s_n) = AT(t + s_n)x(0) \\ &= AT(t)T(s_n)x(0) = AT(t)x(s_n) \\ &= T(t)Ax(s_n) = T(t)x'(s_n) \end{aligned}$$

therefore, for any  $n, m$ , we get

$$x'(t + s_n) - x'(t + s_m) = T(t)(x'(s_n) - x'(s_m)).$$

Given  $p_i \in \mathbb{Q}$ , we can find  $p_j \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that

$$p_i(x'(t + s_n) - x'(t + s_m)) \leq p_j(x'(s_n) - x'(s_m))$$

for every  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . We conclude using Bochner's criteria.

Lemma 2: Every solution  $x(t)$  of (1) with  $x(0) \in R(A)$  is almost periodic.

Proof:  $x(0) \in R(A)$  implies existence of an element  $u \in D(A)$  such that

$Au = x(0)$ . We have

$$x(t) = T(t)x(0) = T(t)Au = AT(t)u = Av(t) = v'(t)$$

where  $v(t) = T(t)u$  is a solution of (1) with  $v(0) = u$ . Therefore  $v'(t)$  and consequently  $x(t)$  is almost periodic by lemma 1.

Proof of the theorem: Let  $x(t)$  be a solution of (1) with  $x(0) = x_0 \in D(A)$ . As  $R(A)$  is dense in  $E$  we can find a sequence  $(b_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  in  $R(A)$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = x_0$ . Take  $(y_n(t))_{n=1}^{\infty}$  as solutions of (1) with  $y_n(0) = b_n, \forall n$ . By Lemma 2, every  $y_n(t)$  is almost periodic. Now it is clear that  $(y_n(t))_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converge to  $x(t)$ , uniformly on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

In fact,  $x(t) - y_n(t) = T(t)x_0 - T(t)b_n = T(t)(x_0 - b_n)$ . Therefore for any  $p_i \in Q$ , there exists  $p_j \in Q$  such that

$$p_i(x(t) - y_n(t)) \leq p_j(x_0 - b_n),$$

for every  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . The Theorem is proved.

II. Theorem 2: Consider equation (1) in a real Hilbert space  $H$  with assumptions  $(H_1)$  and  $(H_2)$ . Then any solution  $x(t) = T(t)x_0$  such that

$$(H_4) \quad x_0 \in \text{Ker}(A + A^*), \quad A^* \text{ is the adjoint of } A.$$

$$(H_5) \quad \{x(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}\} \text{ is relatively compact in } H \text{ is almost-periodic.}$$

Proof: Clearly  $x(t) \in \text{Ker}(A + A^*), \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ . Otherwise there exists  $t_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $x(t_0) = T(t_0)x_0 \notin \text{Ker}(A + A^*)$  i.e.  $\theta \neq (A + A^*)u(t_0) = (A + A^*)T(t_0)x_0$ ; this implies

$$A^*T(t_0)x_0 \neq -AT(t_0)x_0$$

or  $T(t_0)(A + A^*)x_0 \neq \theta$ , which is false for  $(A + A^*)x_0 = \theta$ . Now consider the continuous function  $\phi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  defined by  $\phi(t) = \|x(t)\|^2$ . Then it is constant on  $\mathbb{R}$  for  $\phi'(t) = (Ax(t), x(t)) + (x(t), Ax(t))$

$$= ((A + A^*)x(t), x(t)) = 0, \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$$

as shown above. We have  $\phi(t) = \phi(0), \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$  i.e.  $\|x(t)\| = \|x(0)\|, \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $y(t) = x(t + s)$ , defined on  $\mathbb{R}$  for  $s$  fixed. Then  $y'_s(t) = x'(t + s) = Ax(t + s) = Ay_s(t)$  which means  $y_s(t) = y_s(0), \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ . Take  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  fixed in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Then

$$(y_{s_1}(t) - y_{s_2}(t))' = A(y_{s_1}(t) - y_{s_2}(t)), \forall t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Therefore

$$\|y_{s_1}(t) - y_{s_2}(t)\| = \|y_{s_1}(0) - y_{s_2}(0)\|, \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$$

i.e.  $\|x(t + s_1) - x(t + s_2)\| = \|x(s_1) - x(s_2)\|, \forall t \in \mathbb{R}.$

Let  $(s_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be an arbitrary real sequence. Then we can substract a subsequence which we call again  $(s_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$  such that  $(x(s_n))_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $H$ , for  $x(t)$  has a relatively compact range in  $H$ .

Now

$$\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \|x(t + s_n) - x(t + s_m)\| = \|x(s_n) - x(s_m)\|$$

The conclusion follows by Bochner's criteria.

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