Homework 5

21-740 Introduction to Functional Analysis II

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Problem 1

[I'm not sure I exactly analyzed the right properties of the semigroup here, or that I was sufficiently rigorous in these results...]

Let $X = H^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$, and let $\mathcal{D}(A) = X$. Define $A : \mathcal{D}(A) \to X$ by

$$(Af)(x) = \Delta f(x) - V(x)f(x), \quad \forall f \in X, x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

(noting $u_t = iAu$). A is self-adjoint on $H^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$, since, using integration by parts,

$$(Af,g) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (\Delta f)g - (Vf)g = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \Delta f(\Delta g) - f(Vg) = (f,Ag), \quad \forall f,g \in H^2(\mathbb{R}^n).$$

Since we are in a Hilbert space, A generates a semigroup $T:[0,\infty)\to\mathcal{L}(X;X)$ defined by

$$T(t) := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\lambda t A} dP(\lambda).$$

Then, we can define the semigroup $U:[0,\infty)\to\mathcal{L}(X;X)$ generated by iA as

$$U(t) := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\lambda t} dP(\lambda).$$

Note that $\forall t \geq 0$,

$$U^*(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\lambda t} dE_{\lambda} = U^{-1}(t),$$

and so U is unitary. A consequence should be that the Schrodinger equation is time-reversible. Another immediate consequence is that U is a contraction semigroup. To gain more information, we should study the spectrum of A.

Problem 2

[I didn't have time to do this question.]

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Problem 3

Suppose $\exists N \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}, K \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$||L\phi||_X \le L|||\phi|||_N, \quad \forall \phi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n),$$

and suppose $\phi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and $\{\phi_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is a sequence in $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ with $\phi_k \to \phi$ as $k \to \infty$. By Remark 13.13, $\forall \alpha, \beta \in M_n$ with $|\alpha|, |\beta| \leq N$,

$$||P_{\beta}D^{\alpha}\phi_k - P_{\beta}D^{\alpha}\phi||_{\infty} \to 0$$

as $k \to \infty$. Then, since $S := |\{\alpha, \beta \in M_n : |\alpha|, |\beta| \le N\}|$ is finite,

$$m_k := \sup_{|\alpha|, |\beta| \le N} \|P_{\beta} D^{\alpha} \phi_k - P_{\beta} D^{\alpha} \phi\|_{\infty} \to 0$$

as $k \to \infty$. Thus,

$$||L\phi_k - L\phi||_X = ||L(\phi_k - \phi)||_X \le K|||\phi_k - \phi|||_N$$

= $K \sum_{|\alpha|, |\beta| \le N} ||P_\beta D^\alpha \phi_k - P_\beta D^\alpha \phi||_\infty \le KSm_k \to 0.$

as $k \to \infty$, and so L is continuous. I didn't time to do the converse.

Problem 4

Such a tempered distribution does indeed exist. Define the functional $u: \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n) \to \mathbb{C}$ by

$$u(\phi) := (L\check{\phi})(0), \quad \forall \phi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n).$$

If $\{\phi_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is a sequence in $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ converging to $\phi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ in the usual metric ρ on $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$, then, since L is continuous, $\rho(L\phi_k, L\phi) \to 0$ as $k \to \infty$. By definition of ρ , this implies $||L\phi_k - L\phi||_{\infty} \to 0$, and hence $u(\phi_k) \to u(\phi)$, as $k \to \infty$. Thus, u is continuous and hence $u \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$. Furthermore, $\forall \phi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n), x \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$(L\phi)(x) = (\tau_{-x}(L\phi))(0) = (L(\tau_{-x}\phi))(0) = u(\tau_x\check{\phi}) = (u*\phi)(x).$$

Problem 5

[I ended up able to prove necessary conditions on r for the embedding, which I give below. I wasn't able to show sufficient conditions, as the question asked.]

 $\forall \lambda > 0$, define the dilation operator $\delta_{\lambda} u(x) := u(\lambda x)$. Then,

$$\|\delta_{\lambda}u\|_{r} = \frac{1}{\lambda^{n/r}} \|u\|_{r}.$$

Also, by properties of the Fourier Transform and a Change of Variables, for $\lambda \geq 1$

$$\begin{split} \|\delta_{\lambda}u\|_{s,2}^{2} &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} Q_{s}(\xi) |\widehat{\delta_{\lambda}u(\xi)}|^{2} d\xi = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} Q_{s}(\xi) \left| \frac{1}{\lambda^{n}} \delta_{1/\lambda} \widehat{u(\xi)} \right|^{2} d\xi \\ &= \frac{\lambda^{n}}{\lambda^{2n}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} Q_{s}(\lambda \xi) \left| \widehat{u(\xi)} \right|^{2} d\xi = \frac{\lambda^{2s}}{\lambda^{n}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} (\lambda^{-2} + |\xi|^{2})^{s} \left| \widehat{u(\xi)} \right|^{2} d\xi \leq \frac{\lambda^{2s}}{\lambda^{n}} \|u\|_{s,2}^{2}. \end{split}$$

If we have a constant C > 0 such that

$$\|\delta_{\lambda}u\|_r \leq C\|\delta_{\lambda}u\|_{s,2}^2, \quad \forall u \in H^s(\mathbb{R}^n),$$

then, $\forall \lambda \geq 1$,

$$\frac{1}{\lambda^{n/r}} \|u\|_r \le C \frac{\lambda^s}{\lambda^{n/2}} \|u\|_{s,2}.$$

Thus, in order to avoid a contradiction when taking $\lambda \to \infty$, we must have

$$s > n/2 - n/r$$
.

Solving this inequality for r gives

$$r \le \frac{2n}{n - 2s}.$$

Due to tail behavior of functions in H^s , $H^s(\mathbb{R}^n) \not\hookrightarrow L^r(\mathbb{R}^n)$ for r < 2, Thus, if $H^s(\mathbb{R}^n) \hookrightarrow L^r(\mathbb{R}^n)$,

$$r \in \left[2, \frac{2n}{n-2s}\right].$$