

In order to solve (RE) we consider the differential operator $A := \frac{d}{dx}$ on $E = L^1([-1,0], F)$ with domain

$$D(A) := \{f \in AC([-1,0], F) : f' \in E \text{ and } f(0) = \phi(f)\}.$$

We claim that $(A, D(A))$ generates a strongly continuous semigroup $(T(t))_{t \geq 0}$ on E . To this end we first consider the operator $A_0 f := f'$ with domain

$$D(A_0) := \{f \in E : f \in AC([-1,0], F), f' \in E \text{ and } f(0) = 0\}.$$

Similarly to the special case where $F = \mathbb{R}$ (compare A-I, Ex.2.4.(ii)) it can be seen that the operator A_0 generates a strongly continuous semigroup $(T_0(t))_{t \geq 0}$ given by

$$(3.1) \quad (T_0(t)f)(s) = \begin{cases} f(t+s) & \text{if } t+s \leq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } t+s > 0. \end{cases}$$

Notice that $(T_0(t))_{t \geq 0}$ is a nilpotent semigroup.

Now consider the operators $S_\lambda : E \rightarrow E : f \mapsto \varepsilon_\lambda \circ \phi(f)$, $\lambda > 0$, where ε_λ denotes the function $s \mapsto e^{\lambda s}$ as an element of $L^1([-1,0])$ and $h \circ x \in E$ is defined by $(h \circ x)(s) := h(s) \cdot x$ for $h \in L^1([-1,0])$, $x \in F$ and $s \in [-1,0]$. Clearly $\|\varepsilon_\lambda\| = 1/\lambda \cdot (1 - e^{-\lambda}) \rightarrow 0$ as $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$ and we have $\|S_\lambda\| = \|\varepsilon_\lambda\| \cdot \|\phi\| = 1/\lambda \cdot (1 - e^{-\lambda}) \cdot \|\phi\| \leq 1/\lambda \cdot \|\phi\|$. For every $\lambda > \|\phi\|$, $(Id - S_\lambda)$ is an isomorphism of E and it is not difficult to see that it induces a bijection from $D(A)$ onto $D(A_0)$ such that

$$(3.2) \quad (\lambda - A) = (\lambda - A_0)(Id - S_\lambda).$$

Since A_0 generates a semigroup of contractions $\lambda - A_0$ is invertible for each $\lambda > 0$. This yields the invertibility of $\lambda - A$ for each $\lambda \geq \|\phi\|$.

In order to obtain an estimate on $\|R(\lambda, A)\|$ we use Formula (3.2).

Since $\|R(1, S_\lambda)\| = \|\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} S_\lambda^n\| \leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \|\varepsilon_\lambda\|^n \cdot \|\phi\|^n = (1 - \|\varepsilon_\lambda\| \cdot \|\phi\|)^{-1}$

and $\|R(\lambda, A_0)\| \leq 1/\lambda$ for $\lambda > 0$ we obtain for $\lambda \geq \|\phi\|$:

$$\begin{aligned} \|R(\lambda, A)\| &\leq (1 - \|\varepsilon_\lambda\| \cdot \|\phi\|)^{-1} \cdot 1/\lambda = (\lambda - \lambda \cdot \|\varepsilon_\lambda\| \cdot \|\phi\|)^{-1} \\ &= (\lambda - (1 - e^{-\lambda}) \cdot \|\phi\|)^{-1} \leq (\lambda - \|\phi\|)^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

By using A-II, Cor.1.8 we thus have proved the first assertion of the following theorem: