

## Evolution equations with parameter

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**Abstract.** The purpose of this paper is to give theorems on continuity, differentiability and  $C^1$ -class with respect to  $(h, t)$  of the solution of the evolution equation  $\frac{du_h(t)}{dt} = A_h u_h(t) + f_h(t)$ ,  $u_h(0) = u_h^0$  with parameter  $h \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ .

**1. Preliminaries.** Assuming that  $X, Y$  are Banach spaces we let  $B(X, Y)$  be the Banach space of all linear bounded operators and  $\mathcal{C}(X, Y)$  be the vector space of all linear, closed operators from  $X$  into  $Y$ . If  $A: X \rightarrow Y$  is a linear operator then  $D(A)$ ,  $N(A)$ ,  $R(A)$ ,  $\bar{A}$ ,  $P(A)$  will denote the domain, kernel, range, closure and the resolvent set of  $A$ , respectively.

The following simple Lemma will be useful for us

**LEMMA 1.** *Let  $X, Y, Z$  be Banach spaces,  $T \in B(Z, X)$  and  $A \in \mathcal{C}(X, Y)$ . If  $R(T) \subset D(A)$  then  $AT \in B(Z, Y)$ .*

**Proof.** It follows immediately from the Banach closed graph theorem.

Let  $\Omega$  be an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $(A_h)_{h \in \Omega}$  be a family of linear operators  $A_h: X \rightarrow Y$  with a domain  $D_h = D(A_h)$ , for  $h \in \Omega$ .

**Definition 1** (cf. [2], p. 460). We call the family  $(A_h)_{h \in \Omega}$   $R$ -continuous at a point  $h_0 \in \Omega$  if there exist a Banach space  $Z$  and a family  $T_h \in B(Z, X)$ ,  $h \in \Omega$  such that

- (a)  $R(T_h) = D_h$  and the mapping  $Z \ni z \rightarrow T_h(z) \in D_h$  is bijective for all  $h \in \Omega$ , and
- (b) the mappings

$\Omega \ni h \rightarrow T_h \in B(Z, X)$  and  $\Omega \ni h \rightarrow V_h = A_h T_h \in B(Z, Y)$  are continuous at the point  $h_0$ .

The continuity in  $\Omega$  is defined by the natural manner as continuity at every point of  $\Omega$ .

**Remark.** Definition 1 is a formal adoption of the Rellich's [3] and Kato's [2] definition of holomorphic families of operators. It is easy to see that for families of bounded operators  $R$ -continuity and coincide.

We shall use the following simple Lemma.

**LEMMA 2.** Let  $A_h \in \mathcal{C}(X, Y)$  for  $h \in \Omega$  and suppose that  $A_h: D_h \rightarrow Y$  is bijective for all  $h \in \Omega$ . Then the mapping

$$\Omega \ni h \rightarrow A_h \in \mathcal{C}(X, Y)$$

is  $R$ -continuous at a point  $h_0 \in \Omega$  if and only if the mapping

$$\Omega \ni h \rightarrow A_h^{-1} \in B(Y, X)$$

is continuous at  $h_0$ .

**Proof.** To prove the sufficient condition it suffices to take  $Z = Y$  and  $T_h = A_h^{-1}$  for  $h \in \Omega$ .

Now let  $Z, T_h, V_h$  be the same as in Definition 1. Since  $A_h T_h = V_h$  and, by assumptions, all operators are invertible we have

$$A_h^{-1} = T_h V_h^{-1} \quad \text{for } h \in \Omega.$$

By Banach Theorem  $V_h^{-1}$  is bounded for  $h \in \Omega$  and since  $h \rightarrow V_h$  is continuous, the mapping  $h \rightarrow V_h^{-1}$  is also continuous. Hence the mapping  $h \rightarrow A_h^{-1}$  is continuous.

**COROLLARY 1.** Suppose that  $X = Y$  and  $\lambda \in P(A_h)$  for all  $h \in \Omega$ . Then the mapping

$$\Omega \ni h \rightarrow A_h \in \mathcal{C}(X) = \mathcal{C}(X, X)$$

is  $R$ -continuous at a point  $h_0 \in \Omega$  if and only if the mapping

$$\Omega \ni h \rightarrow (A_h - \lambda I)^{-1} \in B(X)$$

is continuous at  $h_0$ .

**2. Continuity with respect to parameter.** We start with a preparatory material.

**LEMMA 3.** If the mapping

$$(1) \quad \Omega \ni h \rightarrow A_h \in \mathcal{C}(X)$$

is  $R$ -continuous at a point  $h_0 \in \Omega$ , then for every compact set  $K \subset P(A_{h_0})$  there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $K \subset P(A_h)$ , whenever  $|h - h_0| < \delta$ , where  $|\cdot|$  is a norm in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ .

**Proof.** It is a simple consequence of Theorems 2.29 and 3.1 of Kato [2].

As a simple consequence of Lemma 3 we obtain.

**LEMMA 4.** If the mapping (1) is  $R$ -continuous then the set

$$U = \{(\lambda, h) \in \mathbf{C} \times \Omega \mid \lambda \in P(A_h)\}$$

is open in  $\mathbf{C} \times \Omega$ .

LEMMA 5. If the mapping (1) is  $R$ -continuous at the point  $h_0 \in \Omega$ , then the mapping

$$U \ni (\lambda, h) \rightarrow R(\lambda, A_h) = (A_h - \lambda I)^{-1} \in B(X) = B(X, X)$$

is continuous at  $(\lambda, h_0) \in U$ .

Proof. The mapping

$$U \ni (\lambda, h) \rightarrow (A_h - \lambda I) \in \mathcal{C}(X)$$

is  $R$ -continuous at  $(\lambda, h_0)$ . Thus the Lemma 5 is proved remembering Lemma 2.

Setting

$$G(M, \beta) = \{A \in \mathcal{C}(X) : D(A) = X, (\beta, +\infty) \subset P(A)\}$$

and

$$\|(A - \xi)^{-k}\| \leq M(\xi - \beta)^{-k} \quad \text{for } \xi > \beta, k = 1, 2, \dots\}$$

we shall prove the following proposition.

PROPOSITION 1. Let  $K$  be a compact subset of  $X$ . If  $A_h \in G(M, \beta)$  for  $h \in \Omega$ ,  $h_0 \in \Omega$  and the family  $(A_h)_{h \in \Omega}$  is  $R$ -continuous in  $h_0$ , then for every  $x \in X$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow h_0} e^{tA_h} x = e^{tA_{h_0}} x$$

uniformly in  $[0, T] \times K$ .

Proof. Let us put

$$\Phi(t, h) = e^{tA_h} - e^{tA_{h_0}}$$

Following Corollary 1, if  $\zeta \in P(A_h)$  then  $(A_h - \zeta)^{-1} \rightarrow (A_{h_0} - \zeta)^{-1}$  when  $h \rightarrow h_0$ . Hence (see [2], Th. 2.16)  $\Phi(t, h)x \rightarrow 0$  for  $x \in X$  whenever  $h \rightarrow h_0$ , uniformly with respect to  $t \in [0, T]$ . By the assumption  $A_h \in G(M, \beta)$  for  $h \in \Omega$  we have inequality

$$\|\Phi(t, h)x\| \leq 2Me^{\beta T}\|x\| \quad \text{for } t \in [0, T], x \in X.$$

Then see e.g. [4], Th. 2.5, p. 111) the family  $\Phi(t, h)$  is equi-continuous family of operators, so for every  $x_0 \in X$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta = \delta(x_0) > 0$  such that

$$\Phi(t, h)(B(x_0, \delta)) \subset B\left(\Phi(t, h)x_0; \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right),$$

where  $B(x_0, \delta) \subset X$  is the ball of radius  $\delta$  centered at  $x_0$ . Since  $K \subset X$  is a compact set, we can choose a finite set  $x_1, \dots, x_l$  of  $K$  such that

$$K \subset \sum_{j=1}^l B(x_j, \delta(x_j)).$$

Since  $\Phi(t, h)x \rightarrow 0$  for all  $x \in X$  when  $h \rightarrow h_0$  uniformly with respect to  $t \in [0, T]$ , there exists  $\mu > 0$  such that

$$\|\Phi(t, h)x_s\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \quad \text{for } s = 1, 2, \dots, l$$

whenever  $|h-h_0| < \mu$  and  $t \in [0, T]$ . Thus, by inclusion (\*)

$$\Phi(t, h)(K) \subset B(0, \varepsilon)$$

whenever  $|h-h_0| < \mu$  and  $t \in [0, T]$ .

Considering the family of evolution equations

$$(2) \quad \frac{du_h}{dt} = A_h u_h + f_h$$

with the initial condition

$$(3) \quad u_h(0) = u_h^0$$

we can prove the following.

**THEOREM 1.** *Suppose that  $A_h \in G(M, \beta)$ ,  $D(A_h) = D$ ,  $u_h^0 \in D$  for  $h \in \Omega$  the family  $(A_h)_{h \in \Omega}$  is  $R$ -continuous at a point  $h_0 \in \Omega$ , the mapping  $\Omega \ni h \rightarrow u_h^0 \in X$  is continuous,  $f: \Omega \times [0, T] \rightarrow X$  is continuous and  $f_h = f(h, \cdot): [0, T] \rightarrow X$  is  $C^1$  class for  $h \in \Omega$ . Then for every  $h \in \Omega$  there exists exactly one solution  $u_h$  of the problem (2)—(3) and*

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow h_0} u_h(t) = u_{h_0}(t)$$

uniformly with respect to  $t \in [0, T]$ .

**Proof.** It is well-known (see e.g. [2]) that with our assumptions, the solution of the problem (2)—(3) has the form

$$(4) \quad u_h(t) = e^{tA_h} u_h^0 + \int_0^t e^{(t-s)A_h} f_h(s) ds.$$

Thus, by standard calculation we obtain

$$(5) \quad u_h(t) - u_{h_0}(t) = (e^{tA_h} - e^{tA_{h_0}}) u_h^0 + e^{tA_{h_0}} (u_h^0 - u_{h_0}^0) + \int_0^t [e^{(t-s)A_h} - e^{(t-s)A_{h_0}}] f_h(s) ds + \int_0^t e^{(t-s)A_{h_0}} [f_h(s) - f_{h_0}(s)] ds.$$

Let  $K_1$  be a compact neighbourhood of the point  $h_0$ . Since the mapping  $h \rightarrow u_h^0$  is continuous, the set  $K = \{u_h^0: h \in K_1\}$  is a compact subset  $X$  and by Proposition 1

$$(e^{tA_h} - e^{tA_{h_0}}) u_h^0 \xrightarrow{h \rightarrow h_0} 0$$

uniformly in  $[0, T]$ .

Since there exists  $M > 0$  such that  $\|e^{tA_{h_0}}\| \leq M$ , for  $t \in [0, T]$ , so

$$e^{tA_{h_0}} (u_h^0 - u_{h_0}^0) \xrightarrow{h \rightarrow h_0} 0$$

uniformly in  $[0, T]$ .

Thus

$$\int_0^t [e^{(t-s)A_h} - e^{(t-s)A_{h_0}}] f_h(s) ds \xrightarrow{h \rightarrow h_0} 0$$

uniformly in  $[0, T]$ .

Since  $f$  is continuous,

$$\int_0^t e^{(t-s)A_{h_0}}(f_h(s) - f_{h_0}(s)) ds \xrightarrow{h \rightarrow h_0} 0$$

uniformly with respect to  $t \in [0, T]$ . This proves the Theorem.

**COROLLARY.** *Suppose that all assumption of Theorem 1 are satisfied. Then following [2] Theorem 1.19, the solution*

$$u: \Omega \times [0, T] \rightarrow X$$

*of the problem (2)—(3) is continuous at every point  $(h_0, t)$ ,  $t \in [0, T]$ .*

**3. Differentiability with respect to parametr.** Let  $D$  be a normed vector space over  $R$  such that there exist a Banach space  $Z$  and a linear, bounded, bijective mapping  $T: Z \rightarrow D$ . Setting  $sB(D, Y) = \{A: D \rightarrow Y: A \text{ is linear and } AT \in B(Z, Y)\}$  we see that  $sB(D, Y)$  is independent of  $(Z, T)$ . Indeed if  $T_1: Z_1 \rightarrow D$  is another linear, bounded bijective mapping of a Banach space  $Z_1$  onto  $D$  then

$$AT_1 = (AT)(T^{-1}T_1) \text{ and, by Lemma 1 } AT_1 \in B(Z_1, Y).$$

**Definition.** Let  $\Omega$  be an open subset of  $R$ . A function  $\Omega \ni h \rightarrow A_h \in sB(X, Y)$  is said to be differentiable (continuous) at a point  $h_0 \in \Omega$  if there exist a Banach space  $Z$  and a linear, bounded, bijective mapping  $T: Z \rightarrow D$  such that the mapping  $\Omega \ni h \rightarrow A_h T \in B(Z, D)$  is differentiable (continuous) in the Frechet sense. In this case we put

$$A_{h_0}' = \left( \frac{d}{dh} (A_h T) \Big|_{h=h_0} \right) T^{-1}.$$

Since

$$A_h T_1 = (A_h T)(T^{-1}T_1)$$

we see that the definition of differentiability is independent on choosing of  $Z, T$ . Moreover,

$$A_{h_0}' u = \lim_{h \rightarrow h_0} \frac{A_h T - A_{h_0} T}{h - h_0} T^{-1} u = \lim_{h \rightarrow h_0} \frac{A_h - A_{h_0}}{h - h_0} u$$

for  $u \in D$ .

Thus  $A_{h_0}' \in sB(D, Y)$  and it is independent of  $Z, T$ .

Now, if  $\Omega$  is an open subset of  $R^n$  and  $h_0 \in \Omega$ , we can define partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial A_h}{\partial h_j}$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, n$  and the  $C^k$ -class of the mapping  $h \rightarrow A_h \in sB(X, Y)$  in the standard manner. Keeping notations of previous sections we prove

**LEMMA 6.** *If  $A \in G(M, \beta)$ ,  $f: [0, \infty) \rightarrow X$  is of  $C^2$ -class  $Au^0 + f(0) \in D(A)$  and  $u$  is the solution of the problem*

$$\frac{du}{dt} = Au + f \quad \text{with } u(0) = u^0,$$

*then,  $u$  is of  $C^2$ -class in  $[0, \infty)$ .*

Proof. Putting  $v = u - u^0$  we see that

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = Av + (Au^0 + f) \quad \text{and} \quad v(0) = 0$$

so, by virtue of (4)

$$v(t) = \int_0^t T(s)(Au^0 + f(t-s))ds,$$

where  $T(s) = e^{sA}$ . Therefore

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = \int_0^t T(s)f'(t-s)ds + T(t)(Au^0 + f(0)).$$

Thus  $w = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{du}{dt}$  is the solution of the problem

$$(6) \quad \frac{dw}{dt} = Aw + \frac{df}{dt}, \quad w(0) = Au^0 + f(0)$$

and by Th. 1.19 of [2] we conclude that  $u$  is of  $C^2$ -class.

Now, we return to the family of operators  $(A_h)_{h \in \Omega}$  which satisfies assumption of Theorem 1. In view of the fact  $w_h = du_h/dt$  is the solution of problem (6) for  $h \in \Omega$  we have the following.

LEMMA 7. Suppose that all assumptions of Theorem 1 are satisfied at every point  $h_0 \in \Omega$ . If in addition  $A_h u_h^0 + f_h(0) \in D$  for  $h \in \Omega$ ,  $f_h = f(h, \cdot): [0, T] \rightarrow X$  is of class  $C^2$ ,  $\frac{df_h}{dt}: \Omega \times [0, T] \rightarrow X$  is continuous and  $\Omega \ni h \rightarrow A_h u_h^0$  is continuous, then the mapping

$$\Omega \times [0, T] \ni (h, t) \rightarrow \frac{du_h}{dt}(t) \in X$$

is continuous.

We are now able to prove

THEOREM 2. Let  $\Omega$  be an open set in  $\mathbf{R}$ ,  $A_h \in G(M, \beta)$ ,  $D(A_h) = D$ , and  $u_h^0 \in D$  for  $h \in \Omega$ . If

1° the mapping  $\Omega \ni h \rightarrow A_h$  is continuous in  $\Omega$  and differentiable at  $h_0 \in \Omega$ ,

2° the mapping  $\Omega \ni h \rightarrow u_h^0$  is continuous in  $\Omega$  and differentiable at  $h_0 \in \Omega$ ,

3°  $f_h: [0, T] \rightarrow f_h(t)$  is of  $C^2$ -class for  $h \in \Omega$ ,

4°  $\Omega \times [0, T] \ni (h, t) \rightarrow \frac{\partial f}{\partial h}(h, t)$  is continuous,

5°  $A_h u_h^0 + f_h(0) \in D$  for  $h \in \Omega$

and

6°  $\Omega \ni h \rightarrow A_h u_h^0 + f_h(0)$  is continuous then for every  $h$  there exists exactly one solution  $u_h(t) = u(h, t)$  of the problem

$$\frac{du_h}{dt} = A_h u_h + f_h, \quad u_h(0) = u_h^0$$

which is of  $C^1$ -class with respect to  $t$  and differentiable with respect to  $h$  at the point  $h_0$ . Moreover

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow h_0} \frac{u_h(t) - u_{h_0}(t)}{h - h_0} = u'_{h_0}(t),$$

uniformly with respect to  $t \in [0, T]$  and  $u'_{h_0}$  is the solution of the problem

$$\frac{d}{dt} u'_{h_0} = A_{h_0} u'_{h_0} + A'_{h_0} u_{h_0} + f'_{h_0} u'_{h_0}(0) = (u'_{h_0})^0,$$

where the sign “'” denotes differentiation with respect to  $h$ .

Proof. Existence and uniqueness follow similarly as in Theorem 1. Let  $h \in \Omega$  be different from  $h_0$ . We first observe that

$$(7) \quad \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{u_h - u_{h_0}}{h - h_0} \right) = A_h \left( \frac{u_h - u_{h_0}}{h - h_0} \right) + \frac{A_h - A_{h_0}}{h - h_0} u_{h_0} + \frac{f_h - f_{h_0}}{h - h_0}$$

and

$$(8) \quad \frac{u_h(0) - u_{h_0}(0)}{h - h_0} = \frac{u_h^0 - u_{h_0}^0}{h - h_0}.$$

If we take

$$F_h = \begin{cases} \frac{A_h - A_{h_0}}{h - h_0} + \frac{f_h - f_{h_0}}{h - h_0} & \text{for } h \neq h_0 \\ A'_{h_0} u_{h_0} + f'_{h_0} & \text{for } h = h_0 \end{cases}$$

$$v_h^0 = \begin{cases} \frac{u_h^0 - u_{h_0}^0}{h - h_0} & \text{for } h \neq h_0 \\ (u_{h_0}^0)' & \text{for } h = h_0 \end{cases}$$

and

$$v_h = \frac{u_h - u_{h_0}}{h - h_0} \quad \text{for } h \neq h_0$$

then we see that  $v_h, h \neq h_0$ , is the solution of the problem

$$(9) \quad \frac{dv_h}{dt} = A_h v_h + F_h$$

$$(10) \quad v_h(0) = v_h^0.$$

Therefore the Theorem 2 is proved if we can show that Theorem 1 can be applied. Since the family  $(A_h)_{h \in \Omega}$  and the mapping  $\Omega \ni h \rightarrow v_h^0 \in X$  satisfy clearly all the assumptions

of Theorem 1, we have to prove only that the mapping  $\Omega \ni h \rightarrow F_h$  fulfils then as well.

Taking  $\lambda \in P(A_{h_0})$  and  $T = (A_{h_0} - \lambda I)^{-1}$  we have

$$\frac{A_h - A_{h_0}}{h - h_0} u_{h_0}(t) = \left( \frac{A_h - A_{h_0}}{h - h_0} T \right) T^{-1} u_{h_0}(t).$$

Then, by Lemma 6,  $T^{-1} u_{h_0}$  is of  $C^1$ -class in  $[0, T]$  and since the mapping  $h \rightarrow A_h$  is continuous and differentiable at  $h_0$ , we conclude that the mapping

$$\Omega x [0, T] \ni (h, t) \rightarrow F_h(t) \in X$$

is continuous. Thus, as we have remarked above, this proves our theorem.

#### 4. $C^1$ -class. Now, we formulate the main theorem of this paper

**THEOREM 3.** *Let  $\Omega$  be an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Suppose that  $A_h \in G(M, \beta)$ ,  $D(A_h) = D$ ,  $u_h^0 \in D$  for  $h \in \Omega$ , the mapping  $\Omega \ni h \rightarrow u_h^0 \in X$  is of  $C^1$ -class,  $f: \Omega x [0, T] \rightarrow X$  is of  $C^1$ -class,  $f_h = f(h, \cdot): [0, T] \rightarrow X$  is of  $C^2$ -class,  $\Omega \ni h \rightarrow A_h$  is of  $C^1$ -class,  $A_h u_h^0 + f_h(0) \in D$  for  $h \in \Omega$  and the mapping  $\Omega \ni h \rightarrow A_h h_h^0 + f_h(0)$  is continuous. Then there exists exactly one solution  $u_h(t) = u(h, t)$  of the problem (2)–(3) and it is of  $C^1$ -class in  $\Omega x [0, T]$ .*

*Proof.* Existence, uniqueness and continuity of solution  $u$  follows from Theorem 1.

Following Lemma 7 the solution  $u$  has continuous partial derivative  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$ . Fixing

$j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  we denote by  $u'_h, f'_h, A'_h, (u_h^0)'$  the partial derivative  $\frac{\partial}{\partial h_j}$  of  $u, f, A_h, u_h^0$ , respectively. Existence of  $u'_h$  follows from Theorem 2. Since  $u'_h$  is the solution of the problem

$$(11) \quad \frac{d}{dt} u'_h = A_h u'_h + F_h,$$

$$(12) \quad u'_h(0) = (u_h^0)'$$

with  $F_h = A'_h u_h + f'_h$ , we have to prove only that the mappings

$$(13) \quad \Omega x [0, T] \ni (h, t) \rightarrow A'_h u_h(t) \in X$$

and

$$(14) \quad [0, T] \ni t \rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} A'_h u_h(t) \in X \quad \text{for } h \in \Omega$$

are continuous and apply Theorem 1.

Let  $T_h = (A_h - \lambda I)^{-1}$  for  $h \in \Omega$  with a fixed  $\lambda > \beta$ . Then we have

$$A'_h u_h = (A'_h T_{h_0})(T_{h_0}^{-1} T_h)(T_h^{-1} u_h).$$

Since  $h \rightarrow A_h$  is of  $C^1$ -class, the mapping

$$\Omega x [0, T] \ni (h, t) \rightarrow A'_h T_h \in B(x)$$

is continuous and of  $C^\infty$ -class with respect to  $t$ . Thus, again by the some assumption, we see that the mapping

$$\Omega_X[0, T] \ni (h, t) \rightarrow (T_h^{-1}T_{h_0})^{-1} = T_{h_0}^{-1}T_h \in B(X)$$

is of  $C^1$ -class with respect to  $t$ . Then, by the above, we conclude that the mappings (13) and (14) are continuous.

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