

**MATHEMATICAL TRIPOS**      **Part III**

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Friday, 3 June, 2022    9:00 am to 11:00 am

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**PAPER 319**

**UNBOUNDED OPERATORS AND SEMIGROUPS**

**Before you begin please read these instructions carefully**

Candidates have **TWO HOURS** to complete the written examination.

Attempt **ALL** parts of the question.

There is **ONE** question in total.

In doing a given part of the question you may use assertions in preceding parts even if you did not complete that part.

**STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS**

Cover sheet  
Treasury tag  
Script paper  
Rough paper

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS**

None

<p><b>You may not start to read the questions printed on the subsequent pages until instructed to do so by the Invigilator.</b></p>
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1 In this question  $(H, \|\cdot\|)$  is a Banach space and  $\{U(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$  is a  $C_0$  semigroup of operators in  $B(H)$  which verifies  $\|U(t)u\| \leq Me^{\omega t}\|u\| \forall u \in H$ . Let  $\mathcal{G}(M, \omega)$  be the set of generators of such semigroups.

- (a) Define the generator  $A \in \mathcal{G}(M, \omega)$  of the semigroup  $U$  and write down, without justification, an element of  $\text{Dom}(A)$ . Show that  $A$  is closed and its resolvent set  $\rho(A) \supset \{z : \text{Re}(z) > \omega\}$ .
- (b) Prove that  $n!(z - A)^{-(n+1)}u = \int_0^\infty t^n e^{-tz} U(t)u dt$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ ,  $\text{Re}(z) > \omega$ , and that for  $\lambda > \omega$

$$\|(\lambda - A)^{-(n+1)}u\| \leq M(\lambda - \omega)^{-n+1}\|u\| \quad \text{for all } u \in H.$$

- (c) Show that the domain  $\text{Dom}(A)$  endowed with the norm  $\|u\|_Y = \|u\| + \|Au\|$  is a Banach space  $Y$ .
- (d) Show that the subspace  $Y = \text{Dom}(A)$  is invariant under  $\{U(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$ , and that  $\tilde{U}(t) = U(t)|_Y$ , the restriction of the semigroup  $\{U(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$  to  $Y$ , is itself a  $C_0$  semigroup on  $Y$  whose generator is the restriction of  $A$  to

$$\text{Dom}(A^2) = \{u \in \text{Dom}(A) : Au \in \text{Dom}(A)\}.$$

Obtain a bound for  $\|\tilde{U}(t)y\|_Y$  in terms of  $M, \omega, t$  and  $\|y\|_Y$ .

- (e) Show that  $\hat{U}(t) = e^{-\omega t}U(t)$  defines a  $C_0$  semigroup of operators in  $B(H)$  which verifies  $\|\hat{U}(t)u\| \leq M\|u\| \forall u \in H$  and that  $\hat{A} = A - \omega$  is its generator (so that  $\hat{A} \in \mathcal{G}(M, 0)$ .) State the Hille-Yosida theorem for the case of generators in  $\mathcal{G}(M, 0)$ .
- (f) Explain the notion of solution operator for an evolution equation  $\partial_t u = A(t)u$ . State a theorem on the existence of a solution operator  $\{U(t, s)\}_{0 \leq s \leq t \leq T}$  on finite time intervals  $[0, T]$  for the equation  $\partial_t u = A(t)u$ , when  $A(t) \in \mathcal{G}(M, 0)$  for each  $t$ , giving conditions on  $\{A(t)\}_{0 \leq t \leq T}$  and the resulting properties of  $\{U(t, s)\}_{0 \leq s \leq t \leq T}$ . Write down operators which are a finite product

$$\prod_{j=1}^N \exp[s_j A(t_j)] \quad (\text{for appropriate } \{s_j\} \text{ and } \{t_j\})$$

which converge to  $U(t, s)$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , state the type of convergence, and prove that  $U(t, s)u$  is differentiable with respect to  $s$  for  $u \in \mathcal{D}$ .

- (g) Given  $\phi \in C^1(\mathbb{R}; \mathbb{R})$ , consider the operator  $A(t) = \partial_x^3 + \phi(t)\partial_x$ , regarded as an unbounded operator on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}, dx)$  with domain

$$\text{Dom}(A) = H^3(\mathbb{R}) = \{u \in L^2 : (1 + \xi^2)^{3/2}\hat{u}(\xi) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}, d\xi)\},$$

where  $\hat{u}$  is the Fourier transform. Show that this satisfies the conditions in (f), and deduce the existence of a solution operator  $\{U(t, s)\}_{0 \leq s \leq t \leq T}$  for the equation  $\partial_t u = A(t)u$  for any positive  $T < \infty$ .

[QUESTION CONTINUES ON THE NEXT PAGE]

- (h) Continuing from the previous part, prove that given  $u_0 \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$  there is a unique  $u \in C([0, T]; L^2(\mathbb{R}))$  such that

$$u(t) = U(t, 0)u_0 + \int_0^t U(t, s)f(s, u(s))ds,$$

for  $f \in C([0, T] \times L^2(\mathbb{R}); L^2(\mathbb{R}))$  obeying, for all  $t \in [0, T]$  and  $u, v$  in  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ ,

$$\|f(t, u)\| \leq C \quad \text{and} \quad \|f(t, u) - f(t, v)\|_{L^2} \leq L\|u - v\|_{L^2},$$

for some positive numbers  $C, L$ .

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