

# New results on maximal $L^p$ -regularity for evolution equations in Banach spaces

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## Definition of Maximal Regularity for autonomous equations

### Definition

Let  $X$  Banach,  $1 < p < \infty$ . We say that  $A : D(A) \subset X \rightarrow X$  has the maximal  $L^p$ -regularity on  $[0, \tau]$  ( $A \in MR_p(0, \tau; X)$ ) if

$$\forall f \in L^p(0, \tau; X), \quad \exists! u(\cdot) \in W^{1,p}(0, \tau; X) \cap L^p(0, \tau; D(A))$$

satisfying The evolution equation

$$\dot{u}(t) = Au(t) + f(t), \quad t \in [0, \tau], \quad u(0) = 0$$

- If  $A \in MR_p(0, \tau; X)$  then there exists  $c > 0$  such that

$$\int_0^\tau \|\dot{u}(t)\|^p dt + \int_0^\tau \|Au(t)\|^p dt \leq C \int_0^\tau \|f(t)\|^p dt.$$

- "Maximal" means that the better regularity of  $\dot{u}$  and  $Au$  is  $L^p$  ( $\dot{u} - Au = f$ ).

## First conditions for maximal $L^p$ -regularity

### Necessary condition (Dore Veni)

If  $A \in MR_p(0, \tau; X)$  and  $X$  **Banach**, then  $A : D(A) \subset X \rightarrow X$  is the generator of **holomorphic semigroup** on  $X$ . In particular

$$\sup_{\lambda \in \Sigma_\sigma} \|\lambda R(\lambda, A)\| < \infty$$

for some  $\sigma > \frac{\pi}{2}$ , where  $R(\lambda, A) := (\lambda I - A)^{-1}$  and the sector

$$\Sigma_\sigma := \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \lambda \neq 0, |\arg(\lambda)| < \sigma\}$$

### NSC on Hilbert spaces (Dore Veni)

If  $X$  is a **Hilbert** space, then  $A \in MR_p(0, \tau; X)$  **iff**  $A$  is the generator of **holomorphic semigroup** on  $X$ .

## The role of maximal $L^p$ -regularity

Maximal  $L^p$ -regularity helps in proving well-posedness of e.g.

- Non-autonomous evolution equations
- Non-linear equations
- quasi-linear evolution equations

## Illustration to an example: Non-autonomous evolution equations

Consider the non-autonomous Cauchy problem

$$\dot{u}(t) = A(t)u(t) + f(t), \quad u(0) = x \quad (\text{nCP})$$

Where  $A(t) : D \subset X \rightarrow X$ ,  $t \in [0, \tau]$  is a family of analytic generators such that

$$\|R(\lambda, A(t))\| \leq c(1 + |\lambda|)^{-1}, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{C}^+.$$

We assume that  $A(\cdot) : [0, \tau] \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(D, X)$  is continuous

For example

$$A(t) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}(t, \cdot) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}$$

## Illustration to an example: Non-autonomous evolution equations

For  $f = 0$ , we need also

$$(s \mapsto u(s) = e^{sA(t)}x) \in W^{1,p}([0, \tau], X) \cap L^p([0, \tau], D).$$

This is the case if  $x \in Y$ , an interpolation space between  $D$  and  $X$ .

For  $x \in Y$  we reformulate (nCP) as

$$\dot{u}(t) = A(t)u(t) + g_u(t), \quad u(0) = x,$$

where

$$g_u(t) = [A(t) - A(0)]u(t) + f(t).$$

## Illustration to an example: Non-autonomous evolution equations

Denote by

$$[L(u)](t) := e^{A(0)t}x + \int_0^t e^{(t-s)A(0)}g_u(s)ds$$

The solution of the autonomous equation

$$\dot{u}(t) = A(0)u(t) + g_u(t), \quad u(0) = x,$$

Then, at least formally, the solutions of (nCP) are the fixed point of the map  $L$ .

Maximal regularity will now be used to show that  $L$  is a contraction in  $L^p([0, a], D)$  for a small  $a \leq \tau$ .



## Illustration to an example: Non-autonomous evolution equations

If  $u_1, u_2$  in  $L^p([0, a], D)$ , then  $L(u_1) - L(u_2)$  equals the solution of

$$\dot{u}(t) = A(0)u(t) + (g_{u_1}(t) - g_{u_2}(t)), \quad u(0) = 0,$$

Maximal regularity now implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \|L(u_1) - L(u_2)\|_{L^p([0,a],D)} &\leq \|A(0)u\|_{L^p([0,a],X)} \\ &\leq C \|g_{u_1} - g_{u_2}\| \\ &= \|[A(\cdot) - A(0)](u_1 - u_2)\|_{L^p([0,a],X)} \\ &\leq \gamma_a \|u_1 - u_2\|_{L^p([0,a],D)} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\gamma_a := C \sup_{s \in [0, a]} \|A(s) - A(0)\|_{\mathcal{L}(D, X)}.$$

## Unconditional Martingale Differences spaces: UMD

A Banach space  $X$  is called **UMD-space** if the Hilbert transform

$$(\mathcal{H}f)(t) = \frac{1}{\pi} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{|s| > \epsilon} \frac{f(t-s)}{s} ds, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}, \quad f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}, X),$$

is extended to a bounded operator on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}, X)$ .

- UMD spaces are reflexive
- Any Hilbert space is UMD
- the  $L^p$ -spaces  $p \in (1, \infty)$  are UMD

## Maximal $L^p$ -regularity in UMD spaces

$\tau \subset \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$  is  **$\mathcal{R}$ -bounded** if  $\exists C > 0$  s.t. for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $T_1, \dots, T_n \in \tau$ ,  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$ ,  $r_j : [0, 1] \rightarrow \{-1, 1\}$  independent random variables,

$$\int_0^1 \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n r_j(s) T_j x_j \right\|_Y ds \leq C \int_0^1 \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n r_j(s) x_j \right\|_X ds$$

### Weis's Theorem in UMD spaces

Let  $A$  generates of a bd analytic semigroup in a UMD-space  $X$ .  
Then

$A \in MR_p(0, \tau; X) \iff \{\lambda R(\lambda, A) : \lambda \in \rho(A)\}$  is  $\mathcal{R}$ -bounded.

## Weis's theorem in Banach spaces

We assume that  $A$  generates an analytic semigroup  $T(t)_{t \geq 0}$  on a **Banach** space  $X$ .

We select

$$(R_A f)(t) := A \int_0^t T(t-s)f(s)ds, \quad f \in C(0, \tau; D(A))$$

Weis's theorem says that  $A \in MR_p(0, T; X)$  **iff** there exists  $C > 0$  such that

$$\|R_A f\|_p \leq C \|f\|_p, \quad \forall f \in C(0, \tau; D(A)).$$

## Maximal regularity under small perturbations

- A closed operator  $A : D(A) \subset X \rightarrow X$  is **sectorial** if  $(0, \infty) \subset \rho(A)$  and

$$\sup_{t>0} \|t(t + A)^{-1}\| < \infty.$$

- A linear operator  $P : D(P) \subset X \rightarrow X$  is **small** for  $A$  if  $D(A) \subset D(P)$  and for every  $\delta > 0$ , there exists  $c_\delta > 0$  such that

$$\|Px\| \leq \delta \|Ax\| + c_\delta \|x\|, \quad \forall x \in D(A).$$

### Theorem (Kunstmann & Weis 2001)

Let  $A$  be sectorial in a **UMD**-space  $X$ ,  $A \in MR_p(0, \tau; X)$  and  $P$  be a small perturbation for  $A$ . Then  $A + P \in MR_p(0, \tau; X)$ .

## More perturbations: admissible perturbations

$P \in \mathcal{L}(D(A), X)$  is said to be  **$p$ -admissible perturbation** for  $A$  if for some (hence all)  $\alpha > 0$  there exists  $\gamma := \gamma(\alpha) > 0$  such that

$$\int_0^\alpha \|PT(t)x\|^p dt \leq \gamma^p \|x\|^p, \quad \forall x \in D(A).$$

**Examples:** Let  $A$  generates a bd analytic semigroup.

- If  $\theta \in (0, \frac{1}{p})$  then  $P := (-A)^\theta$  is  $p$ -admissible for  $A$ .

The proof uses the estimate

$$\|t^\theta A^\theta T(t)\| \leq M, \quad \forall t \geq 0.$$

- If  $\theta \in (\frac{1}{p}, 1)$  then  $P := (-A)^\theta$  is never  $p$ -admissible for  $A$ .

## Analyticity of the perturbed semigroup

$X$  Banach, and  $P \in \mathcal{L}(D(A), X)$   $p$ -admissible

### Theorem

Assume  $A$  generates an analytic semigroup  $(T(t))_{t \geq 0}$ . Then  $(A^P := A + P, D(A))$  generates an analytic semigroup  $T^P$  on  $X$

$P$   $p$ -admissible implies there exists  $\alpha_0 > \omega_0(A)$  such that  $\mathbb{C}_{\alpha_0} \subset \rho(A^P)$  and

$$\|R(\lambda, A^P)\| \leq 2\|R(\lambda, A)\|, \quad \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{C}_{\alpha_0}.$$

As  $T$  analytic, then  $T^P$  is analytic.

Amansag, Bounit, Driouich, S.H, J. Evolution Equations 2019

## A perturbation results

$X$  Banach, and  $P \in \mathcal{L}(D(A), X)$   $p$ -admissible,  $f \in L^p_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^+, X)$ ,

$$\dot{u}(t) = (A+P)u(t) + f(t), \quad u(0) = 0. \quad (\text{CP})$$

### Theorem (H., Semigroup Forum 2005)

There exists an extension  $\tilde{P} : D(\tilde{P}) \subset X \rightarrow X$  of  $P$  such that the solution of (CP) satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} u(t) &\in D(\tilde{P}) \quad \text{for a.e. } t > 0, \\ \|\tilde{P}u(\cdot)\|_{L^p([0,\alpha],X)} &\leq c_\alpha \|f\|_{L^p([0,\alpha],X)}, \\ u(t) &= \int_0^t T(t-s)[\tilde{P}u(s) + f(s)]ds \end{aligned}$$



## Maximal $L^p$ -regularity under admissible perturbations

$X$  Banach, and  $P \in \mathcal{L}(D(A), X)$   $p$ -admissible

### Theorem (Amansag, Bounit, Driouich, H., 2019)

$$A \in MR_p(0, \tau; X) \iff A^P = A + P \in MR_p(0, \tau; X)$$

For any  $f \in C([0, \tau], D(A))$  we define

$$(\mathcal{R}f)(t) = A \int_0^t T(t-s)f(s)ds, \quad (\mathcal{R}^P f)(t) = A^P \int_0^t T^P(t-s)f(s)ds.$$

We have

$$\mathcal{R}^P f = \mathcal{R}g, \quad g = \tilde{P}u(\cdot) + f, \quad \|g\|_p \leq \kappa \|f\|_p$$

If  $A \in MR_p(0, \tau; X)$ , then

$$\|\mathcal{R}g\|_p \leq C \|g\|_p \leq C\kappa \|f\|_p.$$

## An example: a heat equation in a non reflexive state space

Take  $\alpha \in [0, \frac{1}{p})$  and Consider the heat equation

$$\dot{z}(t) = \Delta z(t) + (-\Delta)^\alpha z(t) + f(t), \quad z(0) = 0$$

on the **Besov space**  $X := \dot{B}_{1,p}^0(\mathbb{R}^n)$  which is non reflexive.

Ogawa & Shimizu (2010) proved that  $\Delta \in MR_p(\dot{B}_{1,p}^0(\mathbb{R}^n))$ .

We know that  $(-\Delta)^\alpha$  is  $p$ -admissible.

Thus  $\Delta + (-\Delta)^\alpha \in MR_p(\dot{B}_{1,p}^0(\mathbb{R}^n))$ .

## Application to Volterra operator

Let  $X$  be a Banach space and introduce the space

$$\mathcal{X} = X \times L^q(\mathbb{R}^+, X), \quad \| \begin{pmatrix} x \\ g \end{pmatrix} \| = \|x\| + \|g\|_q,$$

and the matrix operator

$$\mathfrak{A} = \begin{pmatrix} A & \delta_0 \\ a(\cdot)F & \frac{d}{ds} \end{pmatrix}, \quad D(\mathfrak{A}) = D(A) \times W^{1,q}(\mathbb{R}^+, X).$$

Where

- $A : D(A) \subset X \rightarrow X$  generates a  $C_0$ -sg  $(T(t))_{t \geq 0}$  on  $X$ ,
- $a : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  and  $F : D(A) \rightarrow X$  a linear operator

### Problem

Assume that  $A \in MR_p(0, \tau; X)$ . Does  $\mathfrak{A}$  generates an analytic semigroup and  $\mathfrak{A} \in MR_p(0, \tau; \mathcal{X})$  for some  $p \in (1, \infty)$  ?

## Application to Volterra operator

We split

$$\begin{aligned}\mathfrak{A} &= \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{d}{ds} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \delta_0 \\ a(\cdot)F & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &:= \mathfrak{A}_0 + \mathcal{P}.\end{aligned}$$

Clearly  $\mathfrak{A}_0$  generates the following semigroup on  $\mathcal{X}$ ,

$$\mathcal{T}_0(t) = \begin{pmatrix} T(t) & 0 \\ 0 & S(t) \end{pmatrix}, \quad t \geq 0,$$

where  $(S(t))_{t \geq 0}$  is the right shift semigroup  $L^q(\mathbb{R}^+, X)$ :

$$(S(t)g)(s) = g(t + s), \quad t, s \geq 0.$$

Observe that  $(\mathcal{T}_0(t))_{t \geq 0}$  is not analytic in  $\mathcal{X} = X \times L^q(\mathbb{R}^+, X)$ .

## The use of Bergman space

Take  $\theta \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$  and define

$$\Sigma_\theta := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |\arg(z)| < \theta\}$$

The **Bergman space**

$$B_{\theta, X}^q := \left\{ f : \Sigma_\theta \rightarrow X : \text{holomorphic} \int_{\Sigma_\theta} \|f(\sigma + ir)\|_X^q d\sigma dr < \infty \right\}.$$

$$\|f\|_{B_{\theta, X}^q} := \left( \int_{\Sigma_\theta} \|f(\sigma + ir)\|_X^q d\sigma dr \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

## Application to Volterra operator

On  $B_{h,X}^q$ , we define the complex derivative  $\frac{d}{dz}$  with domain

$$D\left(\frac{d}{dz}\right) := \left\{ f \in B_{h,X}^q; f' \in B_{h,X}^q \right\}.$$

$(\frac{d}{dz}, D(\frac{d}{dz}))$  generates an analytic semigroup on  $B_{\theta,X}^q$ .

If  $X$  is UMD then  $\frac{d}{dz} \in MR_p(0, \tau; B_{\theta,X}^q)$ .

If  $X$  is UMD and  $A \in MR_p(0, \tau; X)$  then

$$\mathfrak{A}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{d}{dz} \end{pmatrix} \in MR_p(0, \tau; \mathcal{X}^q), \quad \mathcal{X}^q := X \times B_{\theta,X}^q.$$

## Application to Volterra operator

**Theorem (Amansag, Bounit, Driouich, H., 2019)**

Let  $X$  UMD space,  $s \in (1, 2)$ ,  $q = \frac{ps}{s-1}$ ,  $A \in MR_p(0, \tau; X)$ ,  $a \in B_{\theta, \mathbb{C}}^q$  and  $F \in \mathcal{L}(D(A), X)$   $p$ -admissible for  $A$ . Then

$$\mathfrak{A} = \begin{pmatrix} A & \delta_0 \\ a(\cdot)F & \frac{d}{ds} \end{pmatrix} = \mathfrak{A}_0 + \mathcal{P} \in MR_p(0, \tau; X \times B_{\theta, X}^q).$$

We prove that

$$\int_0^\alpha \|f(t)\|_X^p dt \leq c_\alpha \|f\|_{B_{\theta, X}^q}^p.$$

This implies that

$$\int_0^\alpha \|\mathcal{PT}_0(t) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ f \end{pmatrix}\|_{\mathcal{X}^q}^p \leq \gamma \left( \|x\| + \|f\|_{B_{\theta, X}^q} \right)^p.$$

where  $\gamma = h(\|a\|_{B_{\theta, \mathbb{C}}^q}, c_\alpha)$ .

## Unbounded perturbations of generator domain

Let  $X, U$  and  $Z$  such that  $Z \hookrightarrow X$ ,  $A_m : D(A_m) = Z \rightarrow X$   
differential operator,  $G, M : Z \rightarrow U$ .

Consider the boundary value problem

$$(BVP) \quad \begin{cases} \dot{w}(t) = A_m w(t) + f(t), & t \geq 0, & w(0) = 0, \\ Gw(t) = Mw(t), & t \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

We assume

- $G : Z \rightarrow U$  is surjective
- $A := A_m$  with  $D(A) = \{x \in Z : Gx = 0\}$  is a generator of  $C_0$ -semigroup on  $X$

The Dirichlet operator

$$D_\lambda := \left( G|_{\ker(\lambda - A_m)} \right)^{-1}, \quad \lambda \in \rho(A).$$



## Unbounded perturbations of generator domain

If we define

$$\mathcal{A} := A_m, \quad D(\mathcal{A}) := \{x \in Z : Gx = Mx\}$$

then (BVP) is equivalent to

$$\dot{(w)}(t) = \mathcal{A}w(t) + f(t), \quad w(0) = 0, \quad t \in [0, \tau]. \quad (\text{CP})$$

In H., Manzo, Rhandi, *Disct. conti. Dyn. System A* (2015), we proved there exists an extension  $(\tilde{M}, D(\tilde{M}))$  of  $M$  such that

$$\mathcal{A} := A + (\lambda - A)D_\lambda \tilde{M}.$$

Maximal  $L^p$ -regularity for  $\mathcal{A}$  is obtained in  
Amansag, Bounit, Driouich and H., *SIAM J. Math. Anal.* to  
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**Thank You**