QUASI-ANALYTICITY AND SEMIGROUPS OF BOUNDED LINEAR TRANSFORMATIONS

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Suppose H is a real Banach space and T is a strongly continuous (on $[0, \infty)$) semigroup of bounded linear transformations from H to H. Steps leading to the following will be indicated:

THEOREM. If

$$\lim_{x \to 0} \inf |T(x) - I| < 2$$

then the set of all functionals of trajectories of T form a quasi-analytic collection.

COROLLARY. If (1) is satisfied, then T(x) is invertible for all x > 0 (although $(T(x))^{-1}$ may be unbounded).

A functional of a trajectory of T is a function h with domain $(0, \infty)$ for which there is f in H^* and p in H so that h(x) = f(T(x)p) for all x > 0. A collection G of real-valued functions with a common connected domain J is quasi-analytic provided no two members of G agree on an open subset of J.

In [7] it is shown that if

$$\lim_{x \to 0} \sup |T(x) - I| < 2,$$

then every functional of a trajectory of T is real-analytic (and AT(x) is bounded for all x > 0 where A is the generator of T). An example in [7] can be used to show that (1) does not imply (2).

Recent closely related results [1], [3], [8], [9], [2] as well as [7] connect the following: (a) the degree of approximation of the identity by the semigroup, (b) properties of the generator and (c) regularity properties of trajectories. For T a Markov semigroup it may be seen from [4] that (1) follows from a condition on transition probabilities ($\Gamma > 0$).

Lemmas 1 and 2 which follow are improvements of Lemma 7 of [6] and Theorem 1 of [5] respectively.

Suppose f is a real-valued continuous function with domain [0, 1] so that f(x) = 0 if $0 \le x \le \frac{1}{2}$ and, if $y > \frac{1}{2}$, then there is a number x in $(\frac{1}{2}, y)$

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so that $f(x) \neq 0$. Suppose furthermore that $\Delta = \{\delta_q\}_{q=1}^{\infty}$ is a sequence of positive numbers converging to 0. If Q is an open interval containing 1 and q is a positive integer for which there exists a positive integer n so that $n\delta_q \in Q \cap [0, 1]$, then denote by z(q, Q) the set of all such n, denote by n(q, Q) the largest element of z(q, Q) and denote

$$\sup \left\{ \left| \sum_{r=0}^{n} {n \choose r} (-1)^{n-r} f(r\delta_q) \right| : n \in z(q, Q) \right\}$$

by F(q, Q).

LEMMA 1. If Q is an open interval containing 1, then

$$\lim_{q\to\infty}F(q,Q)^{1/n(q,Q)}=2.$$

LEMMA 2. Suppose J is a connected nondegenerate set of numbers. Denote by $G(\Delta, J)$ the collection of all continuous real-valued functions f with domain J and having the following property:

If x is in J, there is an open interval S containing x and positive numbers M, ε so that if $u, v \in S \cap J$ and $|u - v| = n\delta_q$ for positive integers n and q, then

$$\left| \sum_{r=0}^{n} \binom{n}{r} (-1)^{n-r} f(u + r\delta_q) \right| \leq M(2 - \varepsilon)^n.$$

Then $G(\Delta, J)$ is a quasi-analytic collection.

INDICATION OF PROOF OF THEOREM. Denote by $\{\delta_q\}_{q=1}^\infty$ a sequence of positive numbers converging to 0 and by ε a positive number so that $|T(\delta_q)-I|\leq 2-\varepsilon, q=1,2,\ldots$. Denote by w a positive number. Denote by L a number so that $|T(x)|\leq L$ for all x in [0,w].

Suppose p is in H, f is in H* and h(x) = f(T(x)p) for all x > 0. If each of n, q is a positive integer, $w \ge u$, v > 0, and $|u - v| = n\delta_q$, then

$$\left| \sum_{r=0}^{n} \binom{n}{r} (-1)^{n-r} h(u+r\delta_q) \right| = \left| f \left[\sum_{r=0}^{n} \binom{n}{r} (-1)^{n-r} T(u+r\delta_q) p \right] \right|$$

$$= \left| f \left[\left(\sum_{r=0}^{n} \binom{n}{r} (-1)^{n-r} (T(\delta_q))^r \right) T(u) p \right] \right|$$

$$= \left| f \left[(T(\delta_q) - I)^n T(u) p \right] \right|$$

$$\leq \left| f |L| |p| || |T(\delta_q) - I|^n \leq |f| L| |p| || (2-\varepsilon)^n.$$

This is sufficient to place h in $G(\Delta, (0, \infty))$.

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