

Homework #3 - due March 8, in class

Problem 1 (50 points) Consider the wave equation

$$u_{tt} - \Delta u = 0, \quad x \in \Omega, \quad t > 0 \quad (1)$$

$$u = 0, \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega \times (0, \infty) \quad (2)$$

$$u(x, 0) = u_0(x) \quad x \in \Omega \quad (3)$$

$$u_t(x, 0) = v_0(x) \quad x \in \Omega \quad (4)$$

Introduce a new variable $v = u_t$ to obtain an equivalent formulation

$$u_t - v = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$v_t - \Delta u = 0 \quad (6)$$

$$u(x, 0) = u_0(x) \quad (7)$$

$$v(x, 0) = v_0(x) \quad (8)$$

$$u|_{\partial\Omega} = 0 \quad (9)$$

For $t \geq 0$ we view

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix}$$

as a function of t with values in an appropriate Hilbert space. Consider the Hilbert space¹

$$H = H_0^1(\Omega) \times L^2(\Omega)$$

with the inner product

$$(U_1, U_2)_H = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u_1 \nabla u_2 \, dx + \int_{\Omega} u_1 u_2 \, dx + \int_{\Omega} v_1 v_2 \, dx$$

where

$$U_1 = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ v_1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad U_2 = \begin{bmatrix} u_2 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Define the linear operator

$$A : D(A) \subset H \rightarrow H, \quad AU = \begin{bmatrix} -v \\ -\Delta u \end{bmatrix}$$

where $D(A) = (H^2(\Omega) \cap H_0^1(\Omega)) \times H_0^1(\Omega)$. Given $U_0 \in D(A)$, we are interested to study the existence of the solution of the IVP

$$\frac{dU}{dt} + AU = 0 \quad (10)$$

$$U(0) = U_0 \quad (11)$$

¹notice that the boundary conditions are included in the definition of H

(10 points) Show that $A + I : D(A) \rightarrow H$ is monotone²

(20 points) Show that $A + I : D(A) \rightarrow H$ is maximal monotone

Given $U_0 \in D(A)$, apply the Hille-Yosida theorem to conclude that there is a unique solution to

$$\frac{d\tilde{U}}{dt} + A\tilde{U} + \tilde{U} = 0 \quad (12)$$

$$\tilde{U}(0) = U_0 \quad (13)$$

(10 points) Show that $U(t) = e^t \tilde{U}(t)$ solves (10-11).

(10 points) The Hille-Yosida theorem states that the solution $U(t)$ has regularity

$$U \in C([0, \infty); D(A)) \cap C^1([0, \infty); H)$$

Using this result, what is the regularity of the solution $u(t)$?

(fill in the dots $u \in C([0, \infty); \dots) \cap \dots ([0, \infty); \dots) \cap \dots ([0, \infty); \dots)$).

Bonus Problem (20 points): Telegraph Equation³

(5 points) Show that there is at most one smooth solution to the initial boundary value problem

$$u_{tt} + du_t - u_{xx} = 0, \quad (x, t) \in (0, 1) \times (0, T) \quad (14)$$

$$u = 0, \quad (x, t) \in \{0, 1\} \times (0, T) \quad (15)$$

$$u = g, \quad u_t = h, \quad (x, t) \in (0, 1) \times \{0\} \quad (16)$$

where d is a constant.

(15 points) Write the problem above in the form

$$\frac{dU}{dt} + AU = 0 \quad (17)$$

$$U(0) = U_0 \quad (18)$$

and use the Hille-Yosida theorem to give a result of existence of the solution.

² $(A + I)U = AU + U$

³See also Evans, section 7.5, problem 9