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**On Second Order Cauchy's Problem in a Hilbert Space with Applications  
to the Mixed Problems for Hyperbolic Equations, I**

O zadaniu Cauchy'ego drugiego rzędu w przestrzeni Hilberta z zastosowaniem do  
zadań mieszanych dla równań hiperbolicznych, I

О задаче Коши второго порядка в гильбертовом пространстве с приложением к смешанным  
задачам для уравнений гиперболического типа, I

**I. Preliminaries**

This section, unfortunately long, is devoted to the preliminary notions, lemmas and Theorem 1°.

**A.** If  $X$  and  $Y$  are Banach spaces then by  $X^*$ ,  $Y^*$  we denote the conjugate spaces of  $X$  and  $Y$  respectively and by  $L(X, Y)$  — the space of all linear bounded operators from  $X$  to  $Y$ .

**B.**  $L(X, Y)$ -valued functions. An  $L(X, Y)$ -valued function  $t \rightarrow A(t)$ ,  $t \in \langle a, b \rangle$  is called (n times) strongly continuously differentiable on  $\langle a, b \rangle$ , if the function  $t \rightarrow A(t)x$  is (n times) strongly continuously differentiable in the sense of the norm in  $Y$ , for any  $x \in X$ ; it is called (n times) weakly continuously differentiable on  $\langle a, b \rangle$ , if for any  $x \in X$  the function  $t \rightarrow A(t)x$  is (n times) continuously differentiable in the weak sense.

**C.** Green's operator. Let  $X$  be a Banach space and let  $A(t)$ ,  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  be a family of linear operators whose domains  $D(A(t))$  and ranges  $R(A(t))$  contain in  $X$ ,  $D(A(t))$  being dense in  $X$  for any  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ .

Consider the first order Cauchy's problem

$$(I) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{dx(t)}{dt} = A(t)x(t), & \text{for } t \in \langle 0, T \rangle, \\ x(0) = x_0, \end{cases}$$

for given initial data  $x_0$ .

An  $L(X, X)$ -valued function  $(t, s) \rightarrow G(t, s)$  defined on the triangle  $0 \leq s \leq t \leq T$  is called the Green operator of the problem (I) if

- (II)  $G(s, s) = 1$  for any  $s \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ ;
- (III)  $G(t, s)G(s, r) = G(t, r)$  for  $0 \leq r \leq s \leq t \leq T$ ;
- (IV) an  $X$ -valued function  $(t, s) \rightarrow G(t, s)x$  is continuous in the sense of the norm in  $X$  for any  $0 \leq s \leq t \leq T$  and any  $x \in X$ ;
- (V)  $G(t, s)D(A(s)) \subset D(A(t))$  for  $0 \leq s \leq t \leq T$  and, for any  $s \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  and  $x \in D(A(s))$ , the function  $t \rightarrow G(t, s)x$  is continuously differentiable in the sense of the norm in  $X$  on  $\langle s, T \rangle$  and satisfies the equation  $d/dt G(t, s)x = A(t)G(t, s)x$ .

The following theorem (Kisiński, [2], p. 312), playing an important role in our treatment, holds:

**D. Theorem 1°.** *Let  $X$  be a Banach space equipped with the norm  $\|\cdot\|$  and let  $A(t)$ ,  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  be the family of linear operators,  $D(A(t)) \subset X$ ,  $R(A(t)) \subset X$ . Suppose that the following conditions are satisfied:*

- (1°)  $D(A(t))$  is dense in  $X$ ;
- (2°) there exists a family of norms  $\|\cdot\|_t$ ,  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ , equivalent to the given norm  $\|\cdot\|$ , such that  $|\|x\|_t - \|x\|_s| \leq k\|x\|_t|t - s|$ ,  $k = \text{const.}$ ,  $0 \leq s, t \leq T$ ,  $x \in X$  and,
- (3°) there exists a constant  $\lambda_0 \geq 0$ , such that  $R(\lambda - \varepsilon A(t)) = X$  and  $\|\lambda x - \varepsilon A(t)x\|_t \geq (\lambda - \lambda_0)\|x\|_t$  for  $\varepsilon = \pm 1$ ,  $\lambda > \lambda_0$ ,  $x \in D(A(t))$ ;
- (4°) there exists a family of linear bounded and invertible operators  $R(t)$  mapping  $X$  onto  $X$ , such that a function  $t \rightarrow R(t)$  is twice weakly continuously differentiable on  $\langle 0, T \rangle$  and  $(R(T))^{-1}D(A(t)) = Y = \text{const.}$  for any  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ ;
- (5°) for any  $x \in Y$ , the function  $t \rightarrow (R(t))^{-1}A(t)R(t)x$  is weakly continuously differentiable on  $\langle 0, T \rangle$ ,

then there exists one and only one Green operator of problem (I) having the following properties:

- (II)°  $(t, s) \rightarrow G(t, s)$  is an  $L(X, X)$ -valued function, strongly continuous on the quadrat  $0 \leq s, t \leq T$ ;
- (III)°  $G(s, s) = 1$  for  $s \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ ,
- (IV)°  $G(t, s)G(s, r) = G(t, r)$  for  $0 \leq r, s, t \leq T$ ;
- (V)°  $G(t, s)D(A(s)) = D(A(t))$  for  $0 \leq s, t \leq T$  and, for any  $s \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  and  $x \in D(A(s))$ , the function  $t \rightarrow G(t, s)x$  is continuously differentiable in the sense of the norm in  $X$  on  $\langle 0, T \rangle$  and satisfies  $d/dt G(t, s)x = A(t)G(t, s)x$ .

If the conditions (1°)–(5°) of Theorem 1° are satisfied for  $R(t) \equiv 1$  and, if the space  $Y$  is equipped with the norm  $\|\cdot\|$  under which  $Y$  be-

comes a Banach space and  $\|y\| \leq k\|y\|$  for any  $y \in Y$ , then the operator  $G(t, s)$  has the following additional properties:

- (VI)<sup>o</sup> an  $L(Y, Y)$ -valued function  $(t, s) \rightarrow G(t, s)$  is strongly continuous on the quadrat  $0 \leq s, t \leq T$ ;
- (VII)<sup>o</sup> an  $L(Y, X)$ -valued function  $(t, s) \rightarrow G(t, s)$  is strongly continuously differentiable on the quadrat  $0 \leq s, t \leq T$  and satisfies the equations:  $d/dtG(t, s) = A(t)G(t, s)$ ,  $d/dsG(t, s) = -G(t, s)A(s)$ , for  $0 \leq s, t \leq T$ .

E. Hypotheses (\*). Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space with the scalar product  $((, ))$  and let  $H^+$  be linear and dense subset of  $H$ . Furthermore, let  $((, ))_t^+$  be the scalar product on  $H^+$  for  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  such that  $H^+$  with  $((, ))_t^+$  constitute a Hilbert space  $H_t^+$  with the topology not weaker than the topology induced in  $H^+$  by  $H$ .

Assume moreover that for any  $x \in H^+$  and  $y \in H^+$  the function  $t \rightarrow ((x, y))_t^+$  is  $n$  times ( $n \geq 1$ ) continuously differentiable on  $\langle 0, T \rangle$

F. The following lemmas (cf. [2], pp. 319–322, also [1], p. 45 and [5], pp. 9–14) will be necessary in further considerations.

**Lemma 1<sup>o</sup>.** *The equality  $((x, y))_t^+ = ((Q(t)x, y))_0^+$ ,  $x, y \in H^+$ ,  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  defines an  $L(H_0^+, H_0^+)$ -valued function,  $n$  times weakly continuously differentiable on  $\langle 0, T \rangle$ . For fixed  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  the operator  $Q(t)$  is Hermitian with  $\inf Q(t) > 0$  in  $H_0^+$ .*

**Lemma 2<sup>o</sup>.** *There exists a constant  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , such that*

$$\alpha^{1/2} \|x\|_0^+ \leq \|x\|_t^+ \leq \alpha^{-1/2} \|x\|_0^+, \quad \left| \frac{d}{dt} \|x\|_t^+ \right| \leq \alpha^{-1/2} \|x\|_t^+,$$

for any  $x \in H^+$  and  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ .

**Lemma 3<sup>o</sup>.** *The equality  $((x, y)) = ((J_0(t)x, y))_t^+$ ,  $x \in H$ ,  $y \in H^+$ , defines an invertible, Hermitian operator  $J_0(t) \in L(H, H_t^+)$ , the image  $J_0(t)(H^+)$  is dense in  $H_t^+$ . Moreover we have:*

$$\|J_0(t)x\|_t^+ = \sup \{ |((x, y))| : y \in H^+, \|y\|_t^+ \leq 1 \}, \text{ for } x \in H, t \in \langle 0, T \rangle.$$

**Lemma 4<sup>o</sup>.** *Setting  $\|x\|_t^- = \|J_0(t)x\|_t^+$  for  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  and  $x \in H$  we define the space  $H_t^-$  as the completion of  $H$  in the norm  $\| \cdot \|_t^-$ . We have:*

- (4.1)  $H \subset H_t^-$ , the topology of  $H$  is not weaker than the topology induced in  $H$  by  $H_t^-$ ;
- (4.2) if by  $J(t)$  we denote the extension of  $J_0(t)$  (by continuity), then  $J(t)$  is an isometry which maps  $H_t^-$  onto  $H_t^+$  and, for any  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  the equality  $J(t) = (Q(t))^{-1}J(0)$  holds;

(4.3) for any  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  the space  $H_t^-$  has the structure of Hilbert space under the scalar product:

$$((x, y))_t^- = ((J(t)x, J(t)y))_t^+ = ((Q(t)^{-1}J(0)x, J(0)y))_0^+;$$

(4.4) there exists a constant  $0 < \beta \leq 1$ , such that the estimates

$$\beta^{1/2} \|x\|_0^- \leq \|x\|_t^- \leq \beta^{-1/2} \|x\|_0^-, \quad \left| \frac{d}{dt} \|x\|_t^- \right| \leq \beta^{-1/2} \|x\|_t^-,$$

for any  $x \in H_0^-$  and  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  hold;

(4.5) the inequality  $\|((x, y))\| \leq \|x\|_t^+ \|x\|_t^-$  holds for  $x \in H^+, y \in H, t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ . Thus the form  $(x, y) \rightarrow ((x, y))$  has the extension by continuity on the set  $(H \times H) \cup (H^+ \times H_t^-) \cup (H_t^- \times H^+)$ . We have  $((x, y)) = ((x, J(t)y))_t^+ = ((J(t)^{-1}x, y))_t^-$ , for  $x \in H^+, y \in H_t^-, t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ .

**Lemma 5°.** The conditions

$$\begin{cases} D(\Lambda_0(t)) = \{x \in H^+ : \sup \{ \|((x, y))\| : y \in H^+, \|y\| \leq 1 \} < \infty \} \\ ((\Lambda_0(t)x, y)) = ((x, y))_t^+, \text{ for } x \in D(\Lambda_0(t)), y \in H^+ \end{cases}$$

define in the space  $H$  an invertible, self-adjoint, positive operator  $\Lambda_0(t)$ . We have  $D(\Lambda_0(t)) = (Q(t))^{-1} D(\Lambda_0(0))$  and  $\Lambda_0(t) = (J_0(t))^{-1} = \Lambda_0(0)Q(t)$  for  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ .

**Lemma 6°.** Denote by  $\Lambda(t)$  the closure of  $\Lambda_0(t)$  in  $H_t^-$ .  $\Lambda(t)$  is an invertible, self-adjoint, positive operator in  $H_t^-$ .  $D(\Lambda(t)) = H^+, \Lambda(t) = (J(t))^{-1} = \Lambda(0)Q(t)$ , for any  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ .

## II. Second order Cauchy's problem in a Hilbert space

Suppose that the hypotheses (\*) of Section I are fulfilled and the following conditions:

- (1.1)  $t \rightarrow S(t)$  is an  $L(H_0^+, H)$ -valued, weakly continuously differentiable function on  $\langle 0, T \rangle$ ,
- (1.2)  $t \rightarrow B(t)$  is an  $L(H, H_0^-)$ -valued, weakly continuously differentiable function on  $\langle 0, T \rangle$ ,
- (1.3) there exists a constant  $b \geq 0$ , such that an inequality  $|\operatorname{Re}((B(t)x, x))| \leq b \|x\|^2$  holds, for any  $x \in H^+$  and  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$

Consider second order Cauchy's problem

$$(1.4) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{d^2 x(t)}{dt^2} + (\Lambda(t) + S(t))x(t) + B(t) \frac{dx(t)}{dt} = 0, \quad t \in \langle 0, T \rangle, \\ x(0) = x_0, \quad \frac{dx}{dt}(0) = x_1. \end{cases}$$

We shall treat it as first order problem in  $t$  in the space  $H \times H_0^-$ . To this end we put

$$(1.5) \begin{cases} D(A_1(t)) = H^+ \times H, \\ A_1(t)(x_0, x_1) = (x_1, -(A(t) + S(t))x_0 - B(t)x_1), \text{ for } (x_0, x_1) \in D(A_1(t)), \end{cases}$$

and we consider the problem

$$(1.6) \begin{cases} \frac{dX(t)}{dt} = A_1(t)X(t) & \text{for } t \in \langle 0, T \rangle, \\ X(0) = X_0, X_0 = (x_0, x_1) \end{cases}$$

in the space  $H \times H_0^-$ .

We can state

**Theorem 1.** *If the hypotheses (\*) ( $n \geq 1$ ) and (1.1)–(1.3) are satisfied then there exists one and only one Green operator of problem (1.6) having the following properties:*

- (1°)  $(t, s) \rightarrow G(t, s)$  is an  $L(H \times H_0^-, H \times H_0^-)$ -valued, strongly continuous function on the quadrat  $0 \leq s, t \leq T$ ;
- (2°)  $G(s, s) = 1$  for  $s \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ ;
- (3°)  $G(t, s)G(s, r) = G(t, r)$  for  $0 \leq s, r, t \leq T$ ;
- (4°)  $G(t, s)(H^+ \times H) = H^+ \times H$ , for  $0 \leq s, t \leq T$  and,  $(t, s) \rightarrow G(t, s)$  is an  $L(H_0^+ \times H, H_0^+ \times H)$ -valued, strongly continuous function on the quadrat  $0 \leq s, t \leq T$ ;
- (5°)  $(t, s) \rightarrow G(t, s)$  is an  $L(H_0^+ \times H, H \times H_0^-)$ -valued, strongly continuously differentiable on the quadrat  $0 \leq s, t \leq T$  function, satisfying the equations

$$\frac{d}{dt}G(t, s) = A_1(t)G(t, s), \quad \frac{d}{ds}G(t, s) = -G(t, s)A_1(s), \text{ for } 0 \leq s, t \leq T.$$

Before we prove Theorem 1, we will state Theorem 2, which is connected with the same problem under some modified assumptions. Namely now we assume:

- (2.1)  $t \rightarrow S(t)$  is an  $L(H_0^+, H)$ -valued, weakly continuously differentiable function on  $\langle 0, T \rangle$ ,
- (2.2)  $t \rightarrow B(t)$  is an  $L(H_0^+, H)$ -valued, weakly continuously differentiable function on  $\langle 0, T \rangle$ ,
- (2.3) there exists a constant  $b$ , such that the inequality  $|\operatorname{Re}((B(t)x, x))| \leq b \|x\|^2$  holds for any  $x \in H^+$  and  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ .

As before, we consider second order Cauchy's problem (1.4) and by setting

$$(2.4) \quad \begin{cases} D(A_2(t)) = \{(x_0, x_1) : x_0 \in H^+, x_1 \in H^+, [(A(t) + S(t))x_0 + B(t)x_1] \in H, \\ A_2(t)(x_0, x_1) = (x_1, -(A(t) + S(t))x_0 - B(t)x_1), \text{ for } (x_0, x_1) \in D(A_2(t)), \end{cases}$$

we obtain the first order problem equivalent to

$$(2.5) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{dX(t)}{dt} = A_2(t)X(t), \quad t \in \langle 0, T \rangle, \\ X(0) = X_0, \end{cases}$$

which is treated in the space  $H_0^+ \times H$ .

**Theorem 2.** *If we assume that the hypotheses (\*) ( $n \geq 2$ ) and (2.1)–(2.3) are satisfied, then there exists one and only one Green operator of problem (2.5) having the properties (2°)–(4°) of Theorem 1 and the following one: (6°)  $G(t, s)D(A_2(s)) = D(A_2(t))$  for  $0 \leq s, t \leq T$  and, for any  $x \in D(A_2(t))$  and  $s \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ ,  $t \rightarrow G(t, s)x$  is continuously differentiable in the sense of the norm in  $H_0^+ \times H$  function, satisfying  $d/dt G(t, s)x = A_2(t)G(t, s)x$ .*

Theorems 1 and 2 are suggested by professor J. Kisiński operator formulations which strengthen the theorems of Lions on weak solutions of some differential equations in a Hilbert space expressing by means of bilinear forms (cf. [5], pp. 150–159). The strengthening is that here we get solutions with strong continuous derivatives (belonging to  $H$ ,  $H^-$  and so on) while Lions has analogous derivatives but in the distributional sense. Both cases of equations with constant (independent of  $t$ ) operators were given in Lions' paper [4].

The proofs of Theorems 1 and 2 will be based on the following lemmas.

**Lemma 1.** *Assume that hypotheses (\*), (1.1) and (1.3), and either (1.2) or (2.2) are satisfied. Then for every  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  and real  $\lambda$ ,  $|\lambda| > \lambda_0$  (where*

$$\lambda_0 = \frac{1}{2} \left( b + \left( \frac{s^2}{\alpha} + b^2 \right)^{1/2} \right),$$

*$\alpha$  being a constant as in Lemma 2°,  $s$  being a constant not less than the norm of  $S(t)$  in the space  $L(H_0^+, H)$ , the operator  $P(t, \lambda) = A(t) + S(t) + \lambda B(t) + \lambda^2$  belongs to the space  $L(H_0^+, H_0^-)$ , is invertible and  $R(P(t, \lambda)) = H^-$ .*

**Proof.** From Lemmas 4° and 6° of Section I it follows

$$\langle (P(t, \lambda)x, x) \rangle = \langle (x, x) \rangle_t^+ + \langle S(t)x, x \rangle + \lambda \langle B(t)x, x \rangle + \lambda^2 \langle (x, x) \rangle.$$

Thus for every  $\lambda$ ,  $|\lambda| > \lambda_0$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}((P(t, \lambda)x, x)) &\geq \alpha(\|x\|_0^+)^2 - s\|x\|_0^+ \|x\| + |\lambda|(|\lambda| - b)\|x\|^2 \\ &= \epsilon(\|x\|_0^+)^2 + \left[ \frac{s}{2(|\lambda|(|\lambda| - b))^{1/2}} \|x\|_0^+ - (|\lambda|(|\lambda| - b))^{1/2} \|x\| \right]^2 \\ &\geq \epsilon(\|x\|_0^+)^2, \quad \text{for } t \in \langle 0, T \rangle, x \in H^+ \quad \text{and } \epsilon = \alpha - \frac{s^2}{4|\lambda|(|\lambda| - b)} > 0 \end{aligned}$$

Consequently

(7°)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{for every rel } \lambda, |\lambda| > \lambda_0, \text{ there exists a constant } \epsilon_\lambda > 0 \\ \text{such that } \operatorname{Re}((P(t, \lambda)x, x)) \geq \epsilon_\lambda(\|x\|_0^+)^2, \text{ for every } t \in \langle 0, T \rangle \text{ and } x \in H^+. \end{array} \right.$$

Fix  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  and  $\lambda \in R$ ,  $|\lambda| > \lambda_0$ . By (7°) and Lemma 4° we have

$$\|P(t, \lambda)x\|_0^- \|x\|_0^+ \geq |(P(t, \lambda)x, x)| \geq \epsilon_\lambda(\|x\|_0^+)^2,$$

hence

$$\|P(t, \lambda)x\|_0^- \geq \epsilon_\lambda \|x\|_0^+ \quad \text{for } x \in H^+.$$

Since  $P(t, \lambda) \in L(H_0^+, H_0^-)$ , thus  $R(P(t, \lambda))$  is closed in  $H_0^-$ . It remains to prove the density of  $R(P(t, \lambda))$  in the space  $H_0^-$ . Suppose that  $R(P(t, \lambda))$  is not dense in  $H_0^-$ , then there exists  $x_0 \in H_0^-$ ,  $x_0 \neq 0$ , such that  $((P(t, \lambda)x, x_0))_0^- = 0$  for every  $x \in H^+$  and, by Lemma 4° we have  $((P(t, \lambda)y_0, y_0))_0^- = ((P(t, \lambda)y_0, x_0))_0^- = 0$ , where  $0 \neq y_0 = J(0)x_0 \in H^+$ , what is contradiction of (7°). Lemma is proved.

**Lemma 2.** Assuming that the hypotheses of Theorem 1 are fulfilled then for every  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  and real  $\lambda$ ,

$$|\lambda| > \lambda_0 = \frac{1}{2} \left( b + \left( \frac{s^2}{\alpha} + b^2 \right)^{1/2} \right)$$

the operators  $(\lambda - A_1(t))$  and  $(\lambda - A_2(t))$  are invertible and

$$R(\lambda - A_1(t)) = H \times H^-, R(\lambda - A_2(t)) = H^+ \times H.$$

**Proof.** Consider the equation

$$(8^\circ) \quad (\lambda - A_1(t))(x_0, x_1) = (y_0, y_1),$$

where  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  and  $\lambda \in R$ ,  $|\lambda| > \lambda_0$  are fixed,  $(y_0, y_1)$  is a given element from  $H \times H^-$ ,  $(x_0, x_1) \in D(A_1(t)) = H^+ \times H$  being the unknown. Since  $B(t) \in L(H, H_0^-)$ , then by (1.5) the equation (8°) is equivalent to the following system

$$(9^\circ) \quad \begin{cases} P(t, \lambda)x_0 = y_1 + B(t)y_0 + \lambda y_0 \\ x_1 = \lambda x_0 - y_0. \end{cases}$$

Lemma 1 assures the existence and the uniqueness of the solution of (9°). Thus  $R(\lambda - A_1(t)) = H \times H^-$  and the operator  $(\lambda - A_1(t))$  is invertible. In view of (1.5) and (2.4) we have:

$$D(A_2(t)) = \{x: x \in D(A_1(t)), A_1(t)x \in H^+ \times H\} \quad \text{and} \quad A_2(t) \subset A_1(t),$$

and from this it follows that the operator  $(\lambda - A_2(t))$  is invertible and  $R(\lambda - A_2(t)) = H^+ \times H$ .

**Lemma 3.** *Under the hypotheses of Theorem 2, the operator  $(\lambda - A_2(t))$  is invertible and  $R(\lambda - A_2(t)) = H^+ \times H$ , for every  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  and  $\lambda \in R$  with  $|\lambda| > \lambda_0$ .*

**Proof.** Fix  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  and  $\lambda \in R$ ,  $|\lambda| > \lambda_0$ . Since  $B(t) \in L(H_0^+, H)$ , thus  $(y_1 + B(t)y_0 + \lambda y_0) \in H$  and, by Lemma 1, the system (9°) has a unique solution  $(x_0, x_1) \in H^+ \times H^+$ . Therefore the condition (1.5) assures that  $(x_0, x_1)$  is the unique solution of (8°). From (9°) it follows that  $(A(t) + S(t))x_0 + B(t)x_1 = (y_1 + \lambda y_0 - \lambda^2 x_0) \in H$ , hence  $(x_0, x_1) \in D(A_2(t))$ . This fact jointly with the inclusion  $A_2(t) \subset A_1(t)$  complete the proof of the lemma.

**Lemma 4.** *Assume that hypotheses (\*), (1.1), (1.3) and either (1.2) or (2.2) are fulfilled. Then the condition (3°) of Theorem I° of Section I is fulfilled for  $X = H_0^+ \times H$ ,  $\|(x_0, x_1)\|_t = ((\|x_0\|_t^+)^2 + \|x_1\|^2)^{1/2}$ ,  $A(t) = A_2(t)$*

$$\text{and } \lambda_0 = \frac{1}{2} \left( b + \left( \frac{s^2}{a} + b^2 \right)^{1/2} \right).$$

**Proof.** Put  $((x, y))_t = ((x_0, y_0))_t^+ + ((x_1, y_1))$  for  $x = (x_0, x_1)$  and  $y = (y_0, y_1)$ ,  $x, y \in H^+ \times H$  and  $\|x\|_t = ((x, x))_t^{1/2}$ . By (2.4) and by Lemmas 4° and 6° of Section I, we have  $((A_2(t)x, x))_t = ((x_1, x_0))_t^+ - ((A(t)x_0 + S(t)x_0 + B(t)x_1, x_1)) = ((x_1, x_0))_t^+ - ((x_0, x_1))_t^+ - ((S(t)x_0 + B(t)x_1, x_1))$ . Hence  $\text{Re}((A_2(t)x, x))_t = -\text{Re}((S(t)x_0 + B(t)x_1, x_1))$ , for every  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  and  $x = (x_0, x_1) \in D(A_2(t))$ .

From (1.1) and (1.3) and one of (1.2), (2.2), making use of the inequality

$$2ab \leq \mu a^2 + \frac{1}{\mu} b^2, \quad \mu > 0, \quad a, b \in R, \quad \text{and putting in it } a = \|x_0\|_t^+, \quad b = \|x_1\|,$$

$$\mu = \frac{2\sqrt{a}}{s} \lambda_0, \quad \text{we obtain}$$

$$|\text{Re}((A_2(t)x, x))_t| \leq (s\|x_0\|_t^+ + b\|x_1\|) \|x_1\| \leq \left( \frac{s}{\sqrt{a}} \|x_0\|_t^+ + b\|x_1\| \right) \|x_1\|$$

$$\leq \frac{s}{2\sqrt{a}} \left( \mu (\|x_0\|_t^+)^2 + \frac{1}{\mu} \|x_1\|^2 \right) + b\|x_1\|^2$$

$$= \lambda_0 (\|x_0\|_t^+)^2 + \left( \frac{s^2}{4a\lambda_0} + b \right) \|x_1\|^2 = \lambda_0 \|x\|_t^2.$$



As a consequence of the latter, for every  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ ,  $x \in D(A_2(t))$ ,  $\lambda > \lambda_0$  and  $\varepsilon = \pm 1$ , we get

$$(10^\circ) \quad \begin{cases} \|\lambda x - \varepsilon A_2(t)x\|_t^2 = \|(\lambda - \lambda_0)x + (\lambda_0 - \varepsilon A_2(t))x\|_t^2 \\ = (\lambda - \lambda_0)^2 \|x\|_t^2 + \|(\lambda_0 - \varepsilon A_2(t))x\|_t^2 + 2(\lambda - \lambda_0)(\lambda_0 \|x\|_t^2 + \\ + \varepsilon \operatorname{Re}((A_2(t)x, x))_t) \geq (\lambda - \lambda_0)^2 \|x\|_t^2. \end{cases}$$

From Lemmas 2 and 3 we have

(11<sup>o</sup>)  $R(\lambda - A_2(t)) = H^+ \times H$ , for every  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ ,  $\lambda > \lambda_0$  and  $\varepsilon = \pm 1$ , and the proof of (3<sup>o</sup>) of Theorem 1<sup>o</sup> follows from (10<sup>o</sup>) and (11<sup>o</sup>).

**Lemma 5.** Under the hypotheses (\*) the condition (2<sup>o</sup>) of Theorem 1 is satisfied for  $X = H_0^+ \times H$  and  $\| \cdot \|_t = \| \cdot \|_{H_t^+ \times H}$ , where

$$\|(x_0, x_1)\|_{H_t^+ \times H} = ((\|x_0\|_t^+)^2 + \|x_1\|^2)^{1/2}.$$

**Proof.** It follows from Lemma 2<sup>o</sup> of Section I.

**Lemma 6.** If the hypotheses of Theorem 1 are satisfied, then  $t \rightarrow A_1(t)$  is an  $L(H_0^+ \times H, H \times H_0^-)$ -valued function, weakly continuously differentiable on  $\langle 0, T \rangle$ , and the conditions (2<sup>o</sup>) and (3<sup>o</sup>) of Theorem 1<sup>o</sup> are fulfilled for  $X = H \times H_0^-$ ,  $A(t) = A_1(t)$  and

$$\| \cdot \|_t = \| \cdot \|_{H \times H_t^-}, \text{ where } \|x\|_{H \times H_t^-} = \|(\lambda_0 + 1 - A_1(t))^{-1}x\|_{H_t^+ \times H}$$

$$\lambda_0 = \frac{1}{2} \left( b + \left( \frac{s^2}{a} + b^2 \right)^{1/2} \right).$$

**Proof.** For every  $x = (x_0, x_1) \in H^+ \times H$  and  $y = (y_0, y_1) \in H \times H^-$  from Lemmas 4<sup>o</sup> and 6<sup>o</sup> of Section I it follows

$$\begin{aligned} ((A_1(t)x, y))_{H \times H_0^-} &= ((x_1, y_0)) - ((A(t)x_0 - B(t)x_1, y_1))_0^- \\ &= ((x_1, y_0)) - ((Q(t)x_0, J(0)y_1))_0^+ - ((S(t)x_0 + B(t)x_1, y_1))_0^-. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by (1.1) and (1.2) and Lemma 1<sup>o</sup>,  $t \rightarrow A_1(t)$  is an  $L(H_0^+ \times H, H_0^-)$ -valued, weakly continuously differentiable on  $\langle 0, T \rangle$  function. The function  $t \rightarrow (\lambda_0 + 1 - A_1(t))$  is the same. Moreover, by Lemma 2 it follows that for every  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ , the operator  $(\lambda_0 + 1 - A_1(t))$  is invertible and maps  $H_0^+ \times H$  onto  $H \times H_0^-$ . Hence  $t \rightarrow (\lambda_0 + 1 - A_1(t))^{-1}$  is an  $L(H \times H_0^-, H_0^+ \times H)$ -valued, weakly continuously differentiable function on  $\langle 0, T \rangle$ .

To prove (2<sup>o</sup>), we put

$$C(t) = (\lambda_0 + 1 - A_1(t))^{-1}.$$

We have  $\|x\|_{H \times H_t^-} = \|C(t)x\|_{H_t^+ \times H}$ , for  $x \in H \times H_0^-$ . From the weak differentiability of  $C(t)$  it follows that there exists a constant  $k_1 \geq 0$  such that  $\left\| \frac{d}{dt} C(t)x \right\|_{H_s^+ \times H} \leq k_1 \|x\|_{H \times H_s^-}$ . From the equivalence of the norms  $\| \cdot \|_{H \times H_s^-}$ ,  $s \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  and from the equality

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{d}{dt} \|C(t)x\|_{H_s^+ \times H}^2 \right| &= 2 \|C(t)x\|_{H_s^+ \times H} \left| \frac{d}{dt} \|C(t)x\|_{H_s^+ \times H} \right| \\ &= 2 \left| \left( \frac{d}{dt} C(t)x, C(t)x \right) \right|_{H_s^+ \times H} \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\left| \frac{d}{dt} \|C(t)x\|_{H_s^+ \times H} \right| \leq k_2 \|x\|_{H \times H_s^-}.$$

Hence there exists a constant  $k_2$  such that

$$\| \|C(s)x\|_{H_s^+ \times H} - \|C(t)x\|_{H_s^+ \times H} \| \leq k_3 \|C(t)x\|_{H_t^+ \times H} |t - s|.$$

From the latter, by Lemma 5 and, by the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \| \|C(t)x\|_{H_t^+ \times H} - \|C(s)x\|_{H_s^+ \times H} \| &\leq \| \|C(t)x\|_{H_t^+ \times H} - \|C(t)x\|_{H_s^+ \times H} \| + \\ &+ \| \|C(t)x\|_{H_s^+ \times H} - \|C(s)x\|_{H_s^+ \times H} \| \end{aligned}$$

it follows that

$$\| \|C(t)x\|_{H_t^+ \times H} - \|C(s)x\|_{H_s^+ \times H} \| \leq k_4 \|C(t)x\|_{H_t^+ \times H} |t - s|.$$

Hence

$$\| \|x\|_{H \times H_t^-} - \|x\|_{H \times H_s^-} \| \leq k_4 \|x\|_{H \times H_t^-} |t - s|,$$

and the condition (2°) is satisfied.

From the inclusion  $A_2(t) \subset A_1(t)$ , by Lemma 4 we have

$$\| (\lambda - \varepsilon A_1(t))^{-1} x \|_{H_t^+ \times H} = \| (\lambda - \varepsilon A_2(t))^{-1} x \|_{H_t^+ \times H} \leq (\lambda - \lambda_0)^{-1} \|x\|_{H_t^+ \times H},$$

for  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ ,  $\lambda > \lambda_0$ ,  $\varepsilon = \pm 1$  and  $x \in H_0^+ \times H$ .

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \|(\lambda - \varepsilon A_1(t))^{-1} x\|_{H \times H_t^-} &= \|(\lambda_0 + 1 - A_1(t))^{-1} (\lambda - \varepsilon A_1(t))^{-1} x\|_{H_t^+ \times H} \\ &= \|(\lambda - \varepsilon A_1(t))^{-1} (\lambda_0 + 1 - A_1(t))^{-1} x\|_{H_t^+ + H} \\ &\leq (\lambda - \lambda_0)^{-1} \|(\lambda_0 + 1 - A_1(t))^{-1} x\|_{H_t^+ \times H} = (\lambda - \lambda_0)^{-1} \|x\|_{H \times H_t^-}, \end{aligned}$$

for  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ ,  $\lambda > \lambda_0$ ,  $\varepsilon = \pm 1$ ,  $x \in H \times H_0^-$ ,

what proves the condition (3°).

**Proof of Theorem 1.** Put  $X = H \times H_0^-$ ,  $Y = H^+ \times H$ ,  $\| \cdot \|_t = \| \cdot \|_{H \times H_t^-}$ ,  $A(t) = A_1(t)$ , and  $R(t) \equiv 1$ , then from Lemma 6 it follows that the conditions (1°)–(5°) of Theorem 1° of Section I are fulfilled. This proves the theorem.

**Proof of Theorem 2.** Set  $X = H_0^+ \times H$ ,  $Y = D(A_0(0)) \times H^+$ ,  $A(t) = A_2(t)$ ,  $\| \cdot \|_t = \| \cdot \|_{H_t^+ \times H}$  and

$$(12^\circ) \quad R(t)(x_0, x_1) = ((Q(t))^{-1} x_0, x_1), \text{ for } (x_0, x_1) \in H_0^+ \times H, t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$$

one can see that the conditions (1°)–(5°) of Theorem 1° are fulfilled.

Indeed, from Lemmas 4 and 5 it follows that the conditions (2°) and (3°) of Theorem 1° are fulfilled. Since  $S(t) \in L(H_0^+, H)$  and  $B(t) \in L(H_0^+, H)$ , from (2.4) it follows

$$D(A_2(t)) = \{x_0 : x_0 \in H^+, (A(t) + S(t))x_0 \in H\} \times H^+ = D(A_0(t)) \times H^+, \text{ for every } t \in \langle 0, T \rangle.$$

By Lemma 3°,  $R(J_0(t))$  is a dense subspace of  $H_0^+$  and, by Lemma 5°  $(A_0(t))^{-1} = J_0(t)$ , so  $D(A_0(t))$  is dense in  $H_0^+$ . Thus  $D(A_2(t))$  is dense in  $H_0^+ \times H$  for  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$ , what proves the condition (1°) of Theorem 1°.

By (12°) and Lemma 5°, and Lemma 1°, the operators  $R(t)$ ,  $t \in \langle 0, T \rangle$  are invertible and map  $H_0^+ \times H$  onto itself,  $t \rightarrow R(t)$  is an  $L(H_0^+ \times H, H_0^+ \times H)$ -valued, twice weakly continuously differentiable function on  $\langle 0, T \rangle$ , satisfying

$$(R(t))^{-1} D(A_2(t)) = Q(t) D(A_0(t)) \times H^+ = D(A_0(0)) \times H^+, \text{ for every } t \in \langle 0, T \rangle.$$

Hence (4°) is satisfied.

Finally, from (12°) and Lemma 5° we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (R(T))^{-1} A(t) R(t) x &= (R(t))^{-1} A_2(t) ((Q(t))^{-1} x_0, x_1) \\ &= (R(t))^{-1} (x_1, -(A_0(t) + S(t)(Q(t))^{-1} x_0 - B(t)x_1)) \\ &= (Q(t)x_1, -A_0(0)X_0 - S(t)(Q(t))^{-1} x_0 - B(t)x_1), \end{aligned}$$

for every

$$x = (x_0, x_1) \in Y = D(A_0(0)) \times H^+ \text{ and } t \in \langle 0, T \rangle.$$

Taking account (2.1), (2.2) and Lemma 1° we see that the condition (5°) of Theorem 1° is fulfilled. This completes the proof.

**Remark.** The existence and the uniqueness of the Green operator  $G(t, s)$  of problem (1.6) assures the existence and the uniqueness of the solution  $X(t)$  of the following problem:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dX(t)}{dt} = A_1(t)X(t), & t \in \langle 0, T \rangle, \\ X(0) = X_0, & X_0 \in H^+ \times H. \end{cases}$$

The solution of this problem takes a form:  $X(t) = G(t, 0)X_0$ . By (5°) of Theorem 1, we have  $X(t) = \left( x(t), \frac{dx(t)}{dt} \right) \in C^1(\langle 0, T \rangle; H \times H_0^-)$ , thus  $x(t) \in C^1(\langle 0, T \rangle; H) \cap C^2(\langle 0, T \rangle; H_0^-)$  and, by (4°) of Theorem 1,  $x(t) \in C^0(\langle 0, T \rangle; H_0^+)$ .

Consequently  $x(t) \in C^0(\langle 0, T \rangle; H_0^+) \cap C^1(\langle 0, T \rangle; H) \cap C^2(\langle 0, T \rangle; H_0^-)$ .

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#### STRESZCZENIE

Opierając się na wynikach [2], w pracy tej dowodzi się dwóch twierdzeń dotyczących problemu istnienia i jednoznaczności rozwiązania pewnego zadania Cauchy'ego drugiego rzędu w przestrzeni Hilberta.

#### РЕЗЮМЕ

Пользуясь результатами [2] в работе доказываются две теоремы касающиеся проблемы существования и единственности решения некоторой задачи Коши второго порядка в гильбертовом пространстве.