

## Almost periodic solutions of a non-linear second order hyperbolic equation in a Hilbert space

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### ABSTRACT

In this paper we prove existence and uniqueness of almost periodic solutions of a non-linear second order hyperbolic equation with constant operator coefficients in a Hilbert space.

### INTRODUCTION

Let  $T_1, T_2, T_3$ , be bounded linear operators on a complex Hilbert space  $H$  and  $F(x, y; v)$ ,  $[(x, y) \in R^2, v \in H]$  be a mapping from  $R^2 \times H$  to  $H$ . It was shown (Abdelaziz 1978) that under appropriate conditions on  $T_1, T_2, T_3$  and  $F$ , the non-linear equation

$$\phi_{xy} + T_1\phi_x + T_2\phi_y + T_3\phi = F[x, y; \phi(x, y)] \quad (*)$$

has a unique bounded solution  $\phi : R^2 \rightarrow H$ . The method used (Abdelaziz 1978) depends on reducing the differential equation (\*) to a fixed point problem of the following operator

$$V\phi = \phi, \quad \phi(.,.) \in C(R^2, H)$$

where  $V$  is the continuous mapping defined by

$$V\phi(x, y) = \int_K G(u, v; 0, 0) F[x + u, y + v; \phi(x + u, y + v)] dudv.$$

In this paper we utilize this method to obtain existence and uniqueness of almost periodic solutions of (\*).

First, we review a few facts and definitions concerning almost periodic functions. Let  $f(.,.)$  be a continuous bounded function from  $R^2$  to  $H$ , the supremum norm of  $f(.,.)$  is defined by

$$\|f(.,.)\|_\infty = \sup \{ \|f(x, y)\| : (x, y) \in R^2 \}.$$

The set of all bounded continuous functions from  $R^2$  to  $H$  is a Banach space under the sup-norm. This space is denoted by  $C(R^2, H)$ . A function  $f \in C(R^2, H)$  is called (Bohr 1932) almost periodic if and only if the set of its translates is conditionally compact in  $C(R^2, H)$ , where a translate  $f_{s,t}(.,.)$  of  $f(.,.)$  is defined by

$$f_{s,t}(x, y) = f(x + s, y + t), \quad (s, t) \in R^2.$$

This is also equivalent to the following: every sequence  $\{f_{s_n, t_m}\}$  of translates of  $f$  has a convergent subsequence with respect to the sup-norm. We note that the set of almost

periodic functions from the additive group of  $R^2$  to  $H$ , forms a closed linear subspace of  $C(R^2, H)$  which we denote by  $AP(R^2, H)$ . For further information about this subject see Dunford & Schwartz (1958).

### EXISTENCE AND UNIQUENESS OF ALMOST PERIODIC SOLUTIONS

We shall make use of conditions I and II of Abdelaziz (1978) with II(ii) and II(iii) replaced by stronger forms. For convenience, we state these conditions in full.

$T_1, T_2$  and  $T_3$  are linear bounded operators of  $H$  satisfying

- I. (i)  $T_1 T_2 = T_2 T_1$   
 (ii) The spectra of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are contained in the right half-plane  $\{z : \operatorname{Re} z > 0\}$   
 (iii) The operator  $T = T_3 - T_1 T_2$  is positive self-adjoint.  
 $F(x, y; v)$  is a mapping from  $R^2 \times H$  to  $H$  such that:
- II'. (i)  $F(x, y; v)$  is continuous in  $v$  for almost all  $(x, y)$   
 (ii)  $F(x, y; v)$  is almost periodic in  $(x, y)$  for each fixed  $v \in H$   
 (iii)  $\exists$  a bounded function  $\theta(.,.) : R^2 \rightarrow R^+$ , such that

$$k \|\theta\|_{\infty} < [1 - \exp(-c_1)] [1 - \exp(-c_2)]$$

$c_1, c_2$  and  $k$  are as in (5) of Abdelaziz (1978)

- (iv)  $F$  satisfies the following Lipschitz condition: for each pair  $v, w \in H$

$$\|F(x, y; v) - F(x, y; w)\| \leq \theta(x, y) \|v - w\|, \text{ a.e.}$$

We now state and prove the main result of this paper.

*Theorem.* Let  $T_1, T_2$  and  $T_3$  satisfy conditions I and  $F(x, y; v)$  satisfy conditions II'. Then the differential equation (\*) has a unique bounded solution which is almost periodic.

*Proof.* We will show that  $V$  maps  $AP(R^2, H)$  into itself. This, together with the fact that  $V$  is a contraction mapping implies that  $V$  has a unique fixed point in  $AP(R^2, H)$ ; and as in the proof of Theorem 8 (Abdelaziz 1978), this fixed point is the only bounded solution of (\*).

Define a mapping  $W$  on  $C(R^2, H)$  by

$$Wf(x, y) = \int_K G(u, v; 0, 0) f(x + u, y + v) \, dudv,$$

then  $W$  is a continuous linear operator of  $C(R^2, H)$  into itself. Let  $g = Wf$ ,  $f \in AP(R^2, H)$ . The set  $\{g_{s,t}\}, (s, t) \in R^2$  is the image of the conditionally compact set  $\{f_{s,t}\}$  under the continuous map  $W$ ; hence it is also conditionally compact. Thus  $g \in AP(R^2, H)$ , i.e.  $W$  maps  $AP(R^2, H)$  into itself. Now

$$V\phi(x, y) = W\{F[x, y; \phi(x, y)]\}$$

Thus we need only to show that  $F[.,.; \phi(.,.)] \in AP(R^2, H)$  whenever  $\phi(.,.) \in AP(R^2, H)$ .

Assume that  $\phi(.,.)$  is almost periodic, then  $\phi(R^2)$  is conditionally compact and hence is totally bounded in  $H$ . Thus given  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  in  $H$  such that

$$\phi(R^2) \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n N(v_i, \varepsilon),$$

where  $N(v_i, \varepsilon)$  is the  $\varepsilon$ -ball with centre  $v_i$ . Put  $G_i = \phi^{-1}[N(v_i, \varepsilon)]$ , then

$$R^2 = \bigcup_i G_i.$$

Now for  $(x,y) \in R^2$ ,  $(x,y) \in G_i$  for some  $i$ , hence  $\|\phi(x,y) - v_i\| < \varepsilon$ , and we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \|F[s+x,t+y; \phi(x,y)] - F[x,y; \phi(x,y)]\| \leq \\ & \|F[s+x,t+y; \phi(x,y)] - F(s+x,t+y; v_i)\| + \\ & \|F(s+x,t+y; v_i) - F(x,y; v_i)\| + \\ & \|F(x,y; v_i) - F[x,y; \phi(x,y)]\|. \end{aligned}$$

Making use of Lemma 4 of Abdelaziz (1978), this is bounded by

$$\theta(s+x,t+y) \|\phi(x,y) - v_i\| + \theta(x,y) \|\phi(x,y) - v_i\| + \|F_{s,t}(x,y; v_i) - F(x,y; v_i)\|,$$

hence

$$\|F[s+x,t+y; \phi(x,y)] - F[x,y; \phi(x,y)]\| \leq 2\varepsilon \|\theta\|_\infty + \sum_{i=1}^n \|F_{s,t}(\cdot,\cdot; v_i) - F(\cdot,\cdot; v_i)\|_\infty \quad (1)$$

Also, we have

$$\|F[s+x,t+y; \phi(s+x,t+y)] - F(s+x,t+y; \phi(x,y))\| \leq \|\theta\|_\infty \|\phi_{s,t}(\cdot,\cdot) - \phi(\cdot,\cdot)\|_\infty \quad (2)$$

combine (1) and (2), and recall that  $\varepsilon$  is arbitrary, we obtain

$$\|F_{s,t}[\cdot,\cdot; \phi(\cdot,\cdot)] - F[\cdot,\cdot; \phi(\cdot,\cdot)]\|_\infty \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \|F_{s,t}(\cdot,\cdot; v_i) - F(\cdot,\cdot; v_i)\|_\infty + \|\theta\|_\infty \|\phi_{s,t} - \phi\|_\infty \quad (3)$$

Note that by II'(ii),  $F(\cdot,\cdot; v_i)$  is almost periodic. Now let  $\{(s_n, t_n)\}$  be a sequence in  $R^2$ , choose a subsequence (call it)  $\{(s_k, t_k)\}$  such that  $\{\phi_{s_k, t_k}\}$  and  $\{F_{s_k, t_k}(\cdot,\cdot; v_i)\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , are convergent in the sup-norm. Thus making use of (3) above, we see that  $\{F_{s_k, t_k}[\cdot,\cdot; \phi(\cdot,\cdot)]\}$  is also convergent. This concludes the proof.

The above theorem applies in particular to systems of equations of the form

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi_i}{\partial x \partial y} + \sum_{k=1}^n \left( a_{ik} \frac{\partial \phi_k}{\partial x} + b_{ik} \frac{\partial \phi_k}{\partial y} + c_{ik} \phi_k \right) = F_i[x,y; \phi_i(x,y)], \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

where  $\phi_i(x,y)$  is a real-valued function of two variables, and  $a_{ik}$ ,  $b_{ik}$ ,  $c_{ik}$  are scalars. In this case  $H$  is the  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean space,  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$  and  $T_3$  are the  $n \times n$  matrices  $(a_{ik})$ ,  $(b_{ik})$  and  $(c_{ik})$  respectively. Solutions defined on a bounded rectangle of  $R^2$  for such systems were also discussed in Germy (1928).

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