

Elliptic Operators with Unbounded Coefficients

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Motivation

Consider the Stochastic Differential Equation

$$\begin{cases} dX(t, x) = F(X(t, x))dt + Q(X(t, x))dB(t), & t > 0, \\ X(0) = x \in \mathbb{R}^N, \end{cases} \quad (\text{SDE})$$

$B(t)$ is a standard Brownian motion and $Q(x) \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^N)$.

- ▶ Probabilistic model of the physical process of diffusion
- ▶ Model in mathematical finance
- ▶ Model in biology

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$$u(t, x) := \mathbb{E}(\varphi(X(t, x))), \quad \varphi \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^N)$$

Then $\Rightarrow u$ solves Kolomogorov/Fokker-Planck equation

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, x) = \sum_{i,j=1}^N a_{ij}(x) D_{ij} u(t, x) + F(x) \cdot \nabla u(t, x), & t > 0, \\ u(0, x) = \varphi(x), & x \in \mathbb{R}^N, \end{cases} \quad (\text{FP})$$

$(a_{ij}(x)) := \frac{1}{2} Q(x)Q(x)^*$ can be unbounded.

Examples

- ▶ The Black-Scholes equation:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} x^2 \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} - rx \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + rv = 0, & 0 < t \leq T, \\ v(0, x) = (x - K)^+, & x > 0. \end{cases} \quad (\text{BS})$$

- ▶ $v(t, x) = u(T - t, x)$ is the value of *European* type option on the asset price x at time t ;
- ▶ σ is the stock volatility;
- ▶ r is the risk-free rate;
- ▶ $0 < x$ is the underlying asset;
- ▶ K is the prescribed price.

Set $y = \log x$. Then,

$$v(t, x) = x^{-\frac{\alpha-1}{2}} e^{-\frac{(\alpha+1)^2}{8}\sigma^2 t} w\left(\frac{\sigma^2}{2}t, \log x\right),$$

where $\alpha = \frac{2r}{\sigma^2}$ and w solves the heat equation

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} & t > 0, y \in \mathbb{R}, \\ w(0, y) = e^{\frac{\alpha-1}{2}y} (e^y - K)^+ & y \in \mathbb{R}. \end{cases}$$

Examples

- ▶ Ornstein-Uhlenbeck operator:

$$\begin{cases} dX(t, x) = MX(t, x)dt + dB(t), & t > 0, \\ X(0, x) = x \in \mathbb{R}^N, \end{cases} \quad (\text{OU})$$

$M = (m_{ij}) \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^N)$. Set $M_t := \int_0^t e^{sM} e^{sM^*} ds$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} u(t, x) &:= \mathbb{E}(f(X(t, x))) \\ &= (2\pi)^{-\frac{N}{2}} (\det M_t)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} e^{-\frac{1}{2} |M_t^{-1/2}(e^{tM}x - y)|^2} f(y) dy \end{aligned}$$

solves the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck equation

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, x) = \frac{1}{2} \Delta u(t, x) + Mx \cdot \nabla u(t, x), & t > 0, \\ u(0, x) = f(x) & x \in \mathbb{R}^N. \end{cases} \quad (\text{OU})$$

Semigroups in short

Let X be a Banach space.

A family $(T(t))_{t \geq 0}$ of bounded operators on X is called a *strongly continuous* or C_0 -*semigroup* if

- ▶ $T(0) = I$ and $T(t + s) = T(t)T(s)$ for all $t, s \geq 0$;
- ▶ $t \mapsto T(t)x \in X$ is continuous for every $x \in X$.

Semigroups in short

The generator of a strongly continuous semigroup A is defined as

$$D(A) := \{x \in X : t \mapsto T(t)x \text{ is differentiable on } [0, \infty)\}$$

$$Ax := \frac{d}{dt} T(t)x|_{t=0} = \lim_{t \downarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} (T(t)x - x).$$

$$T(t) \rightsquigarrow e^{tA}$$

Semigroup approach to initial-boundary value problems

Given X Banach space, $A : D(A) \subset X \rightarrow X$ with boundary conditions in $D(A)$

$$(ACP_1) \begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t) = Au(t) \\ u(0) = u_0 \end{cases}$$

- ▶ $(A, D(A))$ generates a C_0 -semigroup $(T(t))_{t \geq 0}$ on $X \Leftrightarrow (ACP_1)$ well posed with solution

$$u(t) = T(t)u_0.$$

- ▶ Study qualitative properties: positivity, stability, regularity, ...

The resolvent

The **Resolvent Operator** is the operator

$$R(\lambda, A) := (\lambda - A)^{-1}, \quad \lambda \in \rho(A) := \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \lambda - A \rightarrow X \text{ is bijective}\}$$

The semigroup is related to the Resolvent Operator

$T(t)$ is a C_0 -semigroup, $\|T(t)\| \leq e^{\omega t}$ then $\lambda \in \rho(A)$ for $\operatorname{Re}\lambda > \omega$

$$R(\lambda, A)f = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda s} T(s)f \, ds, \quad \|R(\lambda, A)\| \leq \frac{1}{\operatorname{Re}\lambda - \omega}.$$

Generation Theorems

- ▶ Hille, Yosida, (1948). Let $(A, D(A))$ closed, densely defined and $\lambda \in \rho(A)$ for every $\lambda > \omega$

$$\|R(\lambda, A)\| \leq \frac{1}{\lambda - \omega} \implies A \text{ generates } \|T(t)\| \leq e^{\omega t}$$

- ▶ Lumer, Phillips, (1961).

$$\overline{Rg(\lambda - A)} = X, \quad \|(\lambda - A)f\| \geq \lambda\|f\|, \text{ for all } \lambda > 0 \implies \\ \bar{A} \text{ generates } \|T(t)\| \leq 1$$

Some trivial example

Let $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$ consider the operator $A : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $Ax = \omega x$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt}x(t) = Ax(t) = \omega x(t) \\ x(0) = x_0 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

$R(\lambda, A) = (\lambda - A)^{-1}$ solves the equation $\lambda x - \omega x = y \iff x = \frac{y}{\lambda - \omega}$

$$R(\lambda, A)y = \frac{y}{\lambda - \omega} \text{ and } \rho(A) = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{\omega\}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} A \text{ closed, dense} \\ \lambda \in \rho(A) \text{ if } \lambda > \omega \\ \|R(\lambda, A)\| = \frac{1}{\lambda - \omega} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{H. Y. Theorem} \\ \implies \end{array} A \text{ generates } \|T(t)\| \leq e^{\omega t}$$

For $t > 0$, $T(t) : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Fixing x_0 , $T(t)x_0 = x(t)$ is a function in t and solves (1)

Some trivial example

$$T(t)x = e^{\omega t}x$$

Semigroup laws

$$i) T(t+s)x = e^{\omega(t+s)}x = e^{\omega t}e^{\omega s}x = T(t)T(s)x$$

$$ii) T(0)x = e^{\omega \cdot 0}x = x$$

$$iii) \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} T(t)x = x$$

Generator

$$Ax = \lim_{t \downarrow 0} \frac{T(t)x - x}{t} = \lim_{t \downarrow 0} \frac{e^{\omega t}x - x}{t} = \omega x$$

Resolvent

$$R(\lambda, A)y = \frac{y}{\lambda - \omega} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\lambda s} T(s)y ds = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\lambda s} e^{\omega s} y ds$$

Kernel Representation

If the coefficients of the differential operator have suitable regularity, the semigroup has a kernel representation.

$$T(t)f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} k(t, x, y)f(y)dy .$$

Consider the heat equation $\partial_t u(t, x) = \Delta u(t, x)$, $u(0, x) = f(x)$

$$u(t, x) = T(t)f(x) = \frac{1}{(4\pi t)^{N/2}} \int e^{-\frac{|x-y|^2}{4t}} f(y)dy$$

In this case $k(t, x, y) = \frac{1}{(4\pi t)^{N/2}} e^{-\frac{|x-y|^2}{4t}}$

- ▶ The behavior of the semigroup depends on the behavior of the kernel
- ▶ The kernel is related to the eigenvalues and the ground state of the problem

Elliptic operators with unbounded coefficients

We consider elliptic operators with unbounded coefficients of the form

$$\mathcal{A}u(x) = \sum_{i,j=1}^N a_{ij}(x) D_{ij}u(x) + \sum_{i=1}^N b_i(x) D_i u(x) + V(x)u(x).$$

The realisation A of \mathcal{A} in $C_b(\mathbb{R}^N)$ with *maximal domain*

$$D_{max}(A) = \{u \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^N) \cap \bigcap_{1 \leq p < \infty} W_{loc}^{2,p}(\mathbb{R}^N) : \mathcal{A}u \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^N)\}$$

$$Au = \mathcal{A}u.$$

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u(t, x) = Au(t, x) & t > 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^N \\ u(0, x) = f(x) & x \in \mathbb{R}^N, \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

with $f \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^N)$.

To have solution we assume that for some $\alpha \in (0, 1)$,

(1) $a_{ij}, b_i, V \in C_{loc}^\alpha(\mathbb{R}^N)$, $\forall i, j = 1, \dots, N$;

(2) $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$ and

$$\langle a(x)\xi, \xi \rangle = \sum_{i,j} a_{ij}(x)\xi_i\xi_j \geq k(x)|\xi|^2$$

$x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $k(x) > 0$;

(3) $\exists c_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t.

$$V(x) \leq c_0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^N.$$

Consider the problem on bounded domains

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t u_R(t, x) = Au_R(t, x) & t > 0, \quad x \in B_R \\ u_R(t, x) = 0 & t > 0, \quad x \in \partial B_R \\ u_R(0, x) = f(x) & x \in B_R, \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

with $f \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^N)$.

Then A is uniformly elliptic on compacts of \mathbb{R}^N and (3) admits unique classical solution

$$u_R(t, x) = T_R(t)f(x), \quad t \geq 0, \quad x \in \bar{B}_R$$

with $T_R(t)$ analytic semigroup in $C(\bar{B}_R)$.

The infinitesimal generator of $(T_R(t))$ is $(A, D_R(A))$,

$$D_R(A) = \{u \in C_0(\bar{B}_R) \cap \bigcap_{1 < p < \infty} W^{2,p}(B_R), : Au \in C(\bar{B}_R)\}.$$

Theorem 1

(i) $(T_R(t))$ has the integral representation

$$T_R(t)f(x) = \int_{B_R} p_R(t, x, y)f(y)dy, \quad f \in C(\bar{B}_R), t > 0, x \in \bar{B}_R$$

with strictly positive kernel $p_R \in C((0, +\infty) \times B_R \times B_R)$.

- (ii) $T_R(t) \in \mathcal{L}(L^p(B_R))$ per ogni $t \geq 0$ e per ogni $1 < p < +\infty$;
- (iii) $T_R(t)$ is contractive in $C(\bar{B}_R)$;
- (iv) for all fixed $y \in \bar{B}_R$, $p_R(\cdot, \cdot, y) \in C^{1+\frac{\alpha}{2}, 2+\alpha}([s, t_0] \times \bar{B}_R)$ for all $0 < s < t_0$ and

$$\partial_t p_R(t, x, y) = A p_R(t, x, y), \quad \forall (t, x) \in (0, +\infty) \times \bar{B}_R.$$

$f \in C(\overline{B}_R) + (iv)$, gives

$$u_R \in C^{1+\frac{\alpha}{2}, 2+\alpha}([s, t_0] \times \overline{B}_R).$$

Proposition 1

Let $f \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^N)$ and $t \geq 0$; then it exists

$$T(t)f(x) = \lim_{R \rightarrow +\infty} T_R(t)f(x), \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^N \quad (4)$$

and $(T(t))$ is a positive semigroup in $C_b(\mathbb{R}^N)$.

Schauder interior estimates

$$\|u_R\|_{C^{1+\alpha/2, 2+\alpha}([\varepsilon, T] \times \bar{B}_{R-1})} \leq C \|u_R\|_{L^\infty((0, T) \times B_R)} \leq C e^{\lambda_0 T} \|f\|_\infty$$

Theorem 2

Let $f \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^N)$, then the function

$$u(t, x) = T(t)f(x)$$

belongs to $C_{loc}^{1+\frac{\alpha}{2}, 2+\alpha}((0, +\infty) \times \mathbb{R}^N)$ and it solves

$$\begin{cases} u_t(t, x) = Au(t, x) & t > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}^N, \\ u(0, x) = f(x) & x \in \mathbb{R}^N. \end{cases}$$

The operator

For $c > 0$, $b \in \mathbb{R}$, $\alpha > 2$ and $\beta > \alpha - 2$ we consider on $L^p(\mathbb{R}^N)$

$$A := (1 + |x|^\alpha)\Delta + b|x|^{\alpha-2}x \cdot \nabla - c|x|^\beta. \quad (5)$$

Aim.

- ▶ Solvability of $\lambda u - Au = f$
- ▶ Properties of the maximal domains
- ▶ Generation of positive analytic semigroup

Related results

- ▶ $b = c = 0$: **Unbounded Diffusion**: $A = (1 + |x|^\alpha)\Delta$

[G. Metafune, C. Spina,'10] $\alpha > 2, p > \frac{N}{N-2}$

- ▶ $b = 0$: **Schrödinger-Type Operator**: $A = (1 + |x|^\alpha)\Delta - c|x|^\beta$

[L. Lorenzi, A. Rhandi,'15] $0 \leq \alpha \leq 2, \beta \geq 0$

[A. Canale, A. Rhandi, C. Tacelli,'16] $\alpha > 2, \beta > \alpha - 2$

- ▶ $c = 0$: **Unbounded Diffusion & Drift**: $A = (1 + |x|^\alpha)\Delta + b|x|^{\alpha-2}x \cdot \nabla$

[S. Fornaro, L. Lorenzi '07]: $0 \leq \alpha \leq 2.$

[Metafune, Spina, Tacelli,'14] $\alpha > 2, b > 2 - N \rightarrow p > \frac{N}{N-2+b}$

- ▶ **Complete** : $A = |x|^\alpha \Delta + b|x|^{\alpha-2}x \cdot \nabla_x - c|x|^{\alpha-2}$

[G. Metafune, N. Okazawa, M. Sobajima, C. Spina,'16]

$N/p \in (s_1 + \min\{0, 2 - \alpha\}, s_2 + \max\{0, 2 - \alpha\}), c + s(N - 2 + b - s) = 0$

$$A := (1 + |x|^\alpha)\Delta + b|x|^{\alpha-2}x \cdot \nabla - c|x|^\beta.$$

Remark

- ▶ $(1 + |x|^\alpha)\Delta$ and $b|x|^{\alpha-1} \frac{x}{|x|} \cdot \nabla$ are homogeneous at infinity. They have the same “influence” on the behaviour of A . (possible dependence on coefficient b);
- ▶ $|x|^\beta$ with $\beta > \alpha - 2$ is super homogeneous.
No critical exponent, but strong unboundedness with respect to diffusion and drift. A different approach is required;
- ▶ $b|x|^{\alpha-1} \frac{x}{|x|} \cdot \nabla$ is not a small perturbation of $(1 + |x|^\alpha)\Delta - c|x|^\beta$.

Solvability in $C_0(\mathbb{R}^N)$

First consider the operator $(A, D_{max}(A))$ on $C_b(\mathbb{R}^N)$ where

$$D_{max}(A) = \{u \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^N) \cap \bigcap_{1 \leq p < \infty} W_{loc}^{2,p}(\mathbb{R}^N) : Au \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^N)\}.$$

It is known that we can associate to the parabolic problem

$$\begin{cases} u_t(t, x) = Au(t, x) & x \in \mathbb{R}^N, t > 0, \\ u(0, x) = f(x) & x \in \mathbb{R}^N, f \in C_b(\mathbb{R}^N) \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

a semigroup of bounded operators $(T_{min}(t))_{t \geq 0}$ in $C_b(\mathbb{R}^N)$ generated by $A_{min} = (A, \hat{D})$, where $\hat{D} \subset D_{max}$.

Solvability in $C_0(\mathbb{R}^N)$

The uniqueness relies on the existence of suitable Lyapunov function for A , i.e.

$$\exists 0 \leq \phi \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^N) : \lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} \phi(x) = +\infty, \quad A\phi - \lambda\phi \leq 0, \quad \lambda > 0.$$

Proposition 2

Assume that $\alpha > 2, \beta > \alpha - 2$. Then $\phi = 1 + |x|^\gamma : \gamma > 2$ is Lyapunov function for A .

Proposition 3

$T_{\min}(t)$ is generated by $(A, D_{\max}(A)) \cap C_0(\mathbb{R}^N)$, is compact, preserves $C_0(\mathbb{R}^N)$.

Solvability of $\lambda u - Au = f$ in L^p

The transformation $v = u\sqrt{\phi}$ where $\phi = (1 + |x|^\alpha)^{\frac{b}{\alpha}}$ gives

$$\lambda u - Au = f \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad - \underbrace{(\Delta - U)}_H v = \tilde{f} := \frac{f\sqrt{\phi}}{1 + |x|^\alpha}.$$

$$U = -\frac{1}{4} \left| \frac{\nabla \phi}{\phi} \right|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta \phi}{\phi} + \frac{\lambda + c|x|^\beta}{1 + |x|^\alpha} \sim \frac{c|x|^\beta}{1 + |x|^\alpha}$$

For $\lambda \geq \lambda_0$ we have $0 \leq U \in L^1_{loc}$ then there exists $G(x, y)$ such that

$$v(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} G(x, y) \tilde{f}(y) dy \quad \text{solves} \quad -Hv = \tilde{f}$$

$$u(x) = Lf(x) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \frac{G(x, y)}{\sqrt{\phi(x)}} \frac{\sqrt{\phi(y)}}{1 + |y|^\alpha} f(y) dy \quad \text{solves} \quad \lambda u - Au = f$$

We study the L^p -boundedness of the operator L by estimates of G .

Green function estimates of $\Delta - U$

Since $U(0) = \lambda > 0$ and U behaves like $|x|^{\beta-\alpha}$ as $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ we have the following estimates

$$C_1(1 + |x|^{\beta-\alpha}) \leq U \leq C_2(1 + |x|^{\beta-\alpha}) \quad \text{if } \beta \geq \alpha, \quad (7)$$

$$C_3 \frac{1}{1 + |x|^{\alpha-\beta}} \leq U \leq C_4 \frac{1}{1 + |x|^{\alpha-\beta}} \quad \text{if } \alpha - 2 < \beta < \alpha$$

for some positive constants C_1, C_2, C_3, C_4 .

Z. Shen '95, gives estimate of $G(x, y)$ if the potential belong to the reverse Holder class B_q if $q \geq \frac{N}{2}$.

Green function estimates of $\Delta - U$

$f \geq 0$ is said to be in B_q if

$$\exists C > 0 : \left(\frac{1}{|B|} \int_B f^q dx \right)^{1/q} \leq C \left(\frac{1}{|B|} \int_B f dx \right) \quad \forall B \in \mathbb{R}^N.$$

If $\beta - \alpha \geq 0$ then $|x|^{\beta-\alpha} \in B_\infty$. If $-\frac{N}{q} < (\beta - \alpha) < 0$ then $|x|^{\beta-\alpha} \in B_q$

- ▶ $\beta > \alpha - 2 \Rightarrow U \in B_{\frac{N}{2}}$
- ▶ $\beta \leq \alpha - 2 \Rightarrow U \notin B_{\frac{N}{2}}$

Green function estimates of $\Delta - U$

For every $k > 0$ there is some constant $C(k) > 0$ such that

$$|G(x, y)| \leq \frac{C_k}{(1 + m(x)|x - y|)^k} \cdot \frac{1}{|x - y|^{N-2}}$$

$$\frac{1}{m(x)} := \sup_{r>0} \left\{ r : \frac{1}{r^{N-2}} \int_{B(x,r)} U(y) dy \leq 1 \right\}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^N.$$

Proposition 4

$$m(x) \geq C(1 + |x|)^{\frac{\beta-\alpha}{2}}, \quad \beta > \alpha - 2, \quad C = C(\alpha, \beta, N)$$

Sketch of Proof. Observe that $U \geq C\tilde{V}$.

Green function estimates of $\Delta - U$

Lemma 3

if $\beta > \alpha - 2$

$$G(x, y) \leq C_k \frac{1}{1 + |x - y|^k} \frac{1}{(1 + |x|)^{\frac{\beta - \alpha}{2}k}} \frac{1}{|x - y|^{N-2}}$$

Finally we can prove the boundedness of L in $L^p(\mathbb{R}^N)$.

Theorem 4

$\exists C = C(\lambda): \forall \gamma \in [0, \beta]$ and $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^N)$

$$\| |x|^\gamma Lf \|_p \leq C \|f\|_p.$$

For every $f \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^N)$ the function u solves $\lambda u - Au = f$

Closedness & Invertibility of $\lambda - A_p$ in $D_{p,\max}(A)$

Theorem 5

$$D_{p,\max}(A) = \{u \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^N) \cap W_{loc}^{2,p}(\mathbb{R}^N) : Au \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^N)\}.$$

- ▶ *Assume that $N > 2$, $\alpha > 2$ and $\beta > \alpha - 2$. For $p \in (1, \infty)$ the following holds*

$$D_{p,\max}(A) = \{u \in W^{2,p}(\mathbb{R}^N) : Au \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^N)\}.$$

- ▶ *The operator $\lambda - A_p$ is closed and invertible. Moreover $\exists C = C(\lambda) > 0 : \forall \gamma \in [0, \beta]$ and $\lambda \geq \lambda_0$, we have*

$$\| |\cdot|^\gamma u \|_p \leq C \| \lambda u - A_p u \|_p, \quad \forall u \in D_{p,\max}(A).$$

- ▶ *The inverse of $\lambda - A_p$ is a positive operator $\forall \lambda \geq \lambda_0$. Moreover, if $f \in L^p \cap C_0$ then $(\lambda - A_p)^{-1} f = (\lambda - A)^{-1} f$.*

Weighted gradient and second derivative estimates

$$D_p(A) := \{u \in W^{2,p}(\mathbb{R}^N) : Vu, (1+|x|^{\alpha-1})\nabla u, (1+|x|^\alpha)D^2u \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^N)\}$$

Lemma 6

$\exists C > 0$: $\forall u \in D_p(A)$ we have

$$\|(1 + |x|^{\alpha-1})\nabla u\|_p \leq C(\|A_p u\|_p + \|u\|_p),$$

$$\|(1 + |x|^\alpha)D^2u\|_p \leq C(\|A_p u\|_p + \|u\|_p).$$

The space $C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^N)$ is dense in $D_p(A)$ endowed with the norm

$$\|u\|_{D_p(A)} := \|u\|_p + \|Vu\|_p + \|(1 + |x|^{\alpha-1})\nabla u\|_p + \|(1 + |x|^\alpha)D^2u\|_p.$$

Generation of Analytic Semigroup

Theorem 7

$(A, D_p(A))$ generates a analytic semigroup in $L^p(\mathbb{R}^N)$.

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