

NONUNIQUENESS AND WELLPOSEDNESS OF ABSTRACT CAUCHY PROBLEMS IN A FRÉCHET SPACE

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Suppose that A is a closed linear operator in a Fréchet space X . We show that there always is a maximal subspace Z containing all $x \in X$ for which the abstract Cauchy problem has a mild solution, which is a Fréchet space for a stronger topology. The space Z is isomorphic to a quotient of a Fréchet space F , and the part A_Z of A in Z is similar to the quotient of a closed linear operator B on F for which the abstract Cauchy problem is well-posed. If mild solutions of the Cauchy problem for A in X are unique it is not necessary to pass to a quotient, and we reobtain a result due to R. deLaubenfels.

Moreover, we obtain a continuous selection operator for mild solutions of the inhomogeneous equation.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let X be a Fréchet space and let A be a closed linear operator in X . We shall be concerned with solutions of abstract Cauchy problems

$$(1) \quad u'(t) = Au(t), \quad (t \geq 0), \quad u(0) = x$$

$$(2) \quad u'(t) = Au(t) + f(t), \quad (t \geq 0), \quad u(0) = x,$$

where $x \in X$ and the continuous function $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow X$ are given.

It is well-known that, if A is the generator of a C_0 -semigroup $T = (T_t)_{t \geq 0}$ in X , then one gets mild solutions of (1) and (2) by $u(t) = T_t x$, $t \geq 0$, and $u(t) = T_t x + T * f(t) = T_t x + \int_0^t T_{t-s} f(s) ds$, $t \geq 0$. It is also well-known that A generates a C_0 -semigroup if and only if (1) is well-posed, that is, there exists a unique mild solution of (1) for any $x \in X$. In the general case, however, there might be no nontrivial solution to (1), and, if solutions exist, they need not be unique.

Nevertheless, there are — under different additional assumptions — some results on “automatic well-posedness”. If X is a Banach space, Kantorowitz [6] has constructed a maximal subspace H of X (the *Hille-Yosida space*) which is a Banach space for a stronger topology ($H \hookrightarrow X$) and on which the part A_H of A in H generates a C_0 -semigroup of linear

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contractions. Recall that the part A_H of A in H is given by $x \in D(A_H)$ and $A_H x = y$ if and only if $x \in D(A) \cap H$, $y \in H$ and $Ax = y$. He assumed that $(0, \infty) \subset \rho(A)$ where $\rho(A)$ denotes the resolvent set of A . Recall that if we assume in addition to $(0, \infty) \subset \rho(A)$ the well-known condition of Lyubich [8] on the growth of the resolvent $R(\lambda, A)$ as $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$, then solutions of (1) are unique in X .

Assuming the uniqueness of solutions of (1) in X , deLaubenfels [3, 2, 4] has constructed a maximal subspace $Z \hookrightarrow X$ (the *solution space of A*) on which the part A_Z of A in Z generates a C_0 -semigroup. In general this space is a Fréchet space even if the original space X is a Banach space. Using the semigroup, one gets by the variation of constants formula unique (mild) solutions of (2) for $f \in C([0, \infty), Z)$, $x \in Z$.

Recently, Herzog and Lemmert [5] used what they called *nonlinear fundamental systems* for continuous linear operators A in a Fréchet space X under the assumption that (1) is solvable on $[0, T]$ for any $x \in X$, and they used them to get solutions of (2) where $f \in C([0, T], X)$, $x \in X$. A nonlinear fundamental system can be regarded as a substitute for a strongly continuous semigroup generated by A since solutions of (2) are obtained in [5] by a variations of constants formula.

In this paper we consider solution spaces and solutions of (2) for arbitrary closed linear operators A . Our results are a “non-uniqueness analogue” to the construction of the solution space Z in [3], and they shed some light on the role the uniqueness assumption plays in the construction.

It is easy to see that, even if an operator A is well-posed in X and Y is an A -invariant subspace of X , one might lose existence of mild solutions of the abstract Cauchy problem for the part A_Y of A in Y , and one might lose uniqueness of mild solutions for the quotient operator $[A]_{X/Y}$ in the quotient X/Y , see Section 2.

Our main result shows that this is as bad as it can get in the general situation: a linear operator A for which solutions of (1) are not unique does not behave as badly as one might think, there always is a subspace Z of X which is a Fréchet space for a stronger topology and which is a quotient space of a Fréchet space on which a corresponding operator is well-posed. Precisely we shall show the following result.

THEOREM 1. *Let A be a closed linear operator in a Fréchet space X . Then there is a subspace Z of X which is a Fréchet space for a stronger topology such that Z is a quotient of a Fréchet space F and the part A_Z of A in Z is the quotient of a closed linear operator B in F for which the abstract Cauchy problem is well-posed. The subspace Z is maximal in the sense that it contains all $x \in X$ for which there is mild solution of (1).*

Moreover, there is a continuous function $T : Z \times C([0, \infty), Z) \rightarrow C([0, \infty), Z)$ such that $T(x, f)$ is a mild solution of (2) for all $x \in Z$, $f \in C([0, \infty), Z)$.

The last statement allows us to use fixed point arguments to treat semilinear equations. For a situation where this has been done for a compact semilinearity we refer to [5].

The paper is organised as follows. In Section 2 we discuss well-posedness for the abstract Cauchy problem in subspaces and quotient spaces, and in Section 3 we prove Theorem 1. In Section 4 we illustrate our result by considering the heat equation in spaces of entire functions.

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2. WELL-POSEDNESS IN SUBSPACES AND QUOTIENT SPACES

Suppose that A is a closed linear operator in a Fréchet space X which generates a C_0 -semigroup of continuous linear operators $(T_t)_{t \geq 0}$. Let Y be a closed linear subspace of X .

It is easy to see and well-known that if Y is invariant under each T_t , then the restricted operators $(T_t|_Y)$ and the quotient operators $([T_t]_{X/Y})$ are again C_0 -semigroups in Y and X/Y , respectively, with generators A_Y (part of A in Y) and $[A]_{X/Y}$, respectively. Here $[A]_{X/Y}$ means the quotient of A in X/Y , that is, $[A]_{X/Y} := \left\{ ([x], [y]) : (x, y) \in A \right\}$.

If X is Banach space then Y is invariant under each T_t if and only if Y is invariant under the resolvents $(\lambda - A)^{-1}$ of A for λ large. This is because, for λ large, $(\lambda - A)^{-1}$ is obtained by a Laplace transform from the semigroup, and, conversely, the semigroup operators T_t may be obtained as a strong limit of the sequence $\left((n/t)^n (n/t - A)^{-n} \right)$. The equivalence no longer holds in a general Fréchet space since the resolvent set $\rho(A)$ of A may be empty.

If the subspace Y is A -invariant, that is, $Ay \in Y$ for any $y \in D(A) \cap Y$, then the operator $[A]_{X/Y}$ is still a closed linear operator in X/Y . If Y is invariant under the semigroup then Y is A -invariant, hence A -invariance is a weaker assumption. If A is a bounded operator and X is a Banach space then A -invariance implies invariance under the semigroup generated by A . In general this is not the case as the following example shows.

EXAMPLE 2. Let X denote the space of all bounded uniformly continuous scalar functions f on $[0, \infty)$ that satisfy $f(0) = 0$. Let $A := -d/dx$ with $D(A) := \{f \in X : f' \in X\}$. The operator A generates the C_0 -semigroup (T_t) given by

$$T_t f(x) = f(x - t) \text{ if } x \geq t, = 0 \text{ otherwise.}$$

Let Y be the linear span of the function $x \mapsto \sin x$. Since $D(A) \cap Y = \{0\}$, the subspace Y is A -invariant. But for any $f \in Y \setminus \{0\}$ and any $t > 0$ the function $T_t f$ does not belong to Y . Hence the Cauchy problem for A_Y in Y has no nontrivial solution, and for any $f \in Y \setminus \{0\}$, the function $t \mapsto T_t f + Y$ is a nontrivial mild solution of $u' = [A]_{X/Y} u$, $u(0) = 0$, in X/Y .

3. THE MAXIMAL SOLUTION SPACE

We assume that A is a closed linear operator in a Fréchet space X with domain $D(A)$. We consider mild solutions of (1) and (2), that is, continuous solutions of

$$(3) \quad u(t) = A \left(\int_0^t u(s) ds \right) + x \quad (t \geq 0),$$

$$(4) \quad u(t) = A \left(\int_0^t u(s) ds \right) + \int_0^t f(s) ds + x \quad (t \geq 0).$$

From now on we shall denote by $1 * u$ the function $t \mapsto \int_0^t u(s) ds$ on $[0, \infty)$ where u is a given function on $[0, \infty)$.

Let E denote the space $C([0, \infty), X)$. Then E is a Fréchet space for the family of seminorms $p_{k,n}(f) := \sup_{s \in [0,k]} q_n(f(s))$, $k, n \in \mathbb{N}$, where $(q_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a defining family of seminorms for the topology of X . The space

$$F := \left\{ u \in E : \forall t \geq 0, 1 * u(t) \in D(A), u(t) = A(1 * u(t)) + u(0) \right\}$$

is a closed linear subspace of E . Indeed, $u_n \rightarrow u$ in E for a sequence (u_n) in F means $q_m(u_n - u) \rightarrow 0$ uniformly on compact intervals for any $m \in \mathbb{N}$. This implies $1 * u_n(t) \rightarrow 1 * u(t)$ and $u_n(0) \rightarrow u(0)$. On the other hand, it also gives $A(1 * u_n(t)) = u_n(t) - u_n(0) \rightarrow u(t) - u(0)$ which implies $u \in F$ by the closedness of A . Clearly, F is the space of all continuous solutions of (3).

For each $t \geq 0$, we define the linear continuous map $\Phi_t : F \rightarrow X$, $u \mapsto u(t)$, and let Z denote the range $\Phi_0(F)$ of Φ_0 . We equip Z with the topology of the quotient space $F/\ker \Phi_0$ induced by the factorisation $\hat{\Phi}_0 : F/\ker \Phi_0 \rightarrow Z$ of Φ_0 . Then Z is a Fréchet space and $\hat{\Phi}_0 : F \rightarrow Z$ is continuous and onto. By [1, Chapter 4, Proposition 12], there exists a continuous right inverse $Q : Z \rightarrow F$, that is, Q satisfies $\hat{\Phi}_0 \circ Q = \text{Id}_Z$. Of course, if Φ_0 is injective (the case of uniqueness) then F is isomorphic to Z and $Q = \Phi_0^{-1}$ is linear and continuous. If Φ_0 is not injective, Q can be chosen to be linear if and only if $\ker \Phi_0$ is a complemented subspace of F , that is, if and only if there is a continuous linear projection $p : F \rightarrow \ker \Phi_0$, the relation being $\text{Id}_Z - p = Q \circ \Phi_0$. Hence in general Q is not linear. In any case, however, Q can be interpreted as a selection of solutions to (1) which depend continuously (in the topology of Z) on the initial value x . The following proposition collects the properties of this construction and proves the first part of Theorem 1.

PROPOSITION 3.

- (i) For each $t \geq 0$ the map $\Phi_t : F \rightarrow X$ is linear and continuous;
- (ii) For each $t \geq 0$ the map $T_t : F \rightarrow F$, $u \mapsto u(\cdot + t)$ is linear and continuous;
- (iii) The family $(T_t)_{t \geq 0}$ defines a C_0 -semigroup in F whose generator B is given by $Bu = u'$ on $D(B) := \left\{ u \in C^1([0, \infty), X) : u, u' \in F \right\}$; here u' denotes the derivative taken pointwise in X .

(iv) For each $t \geq 0$ we have $\Phi_t B \subset A_Z \Phi_t$, the space $\ker \Phi_0$ is B -invariant and $A_Z = \widehat{\Phi}_0[B]_{F/\ker \Phi_0} \widehat{\Phi}_0^{-1}$.

PROOF: (i) follows from (ii) by $\Phi_t = \Phi_0 T_t$, so we start with the proof of (ii). If $u \in F$ and $t \geq 0$ then, for any $s \geq 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} u(s+t) - u(t) &= A(1 * u(s+t) - 1 * u(t)) + u(0) - u(0) \\ &= A\left(\int_t^{s+t} u(r) dr\right) \\ &= A(1 * u(\cdot + t))(s) \end{aligned}$$

which implies $T_t u \in F$. The continuity of T_t is clear since $p_{k,n}(T_t u) \leq p_{k,n}(u)$ for any $m \geq k+t, n \in \mathbb{N}$, and $u \in F$.

Any $u \in F$ is uniformly continuous on compact intervals which implies $T_t u \rightarrow u$ in F as $t \rightarrow 0$, that is, (T_t) is a strongly continuous semigroup in F . Let B denote its generator. If $u \in D(B)$ and $Bu = v$ then $(T_t u - u)/t$ converges to v in F as $t \rightarrow 0$ hence also pointwise in X . This gives $v = u'$. On the other hand, if $u \in C^1([0, \infty), X)$ with $u, u' \in F$ then the uniform continuity of u' on compact intervals gives $(T_t u - u)/t \rightarrow u'$ in f as $t \rightarrow 0$. So (iii) is proved.

(iv) Let $t \geq 0$ and $u \in D(B)$. Then, for $s \geq 0$,

$$\frac{1}{s}(u(t+s) - u(t)) = A\left(\int_t^{s+t} \frac{u(r)}{s} dr\right).$$

The integral on the right hand side tends to $u(t)$ in X as $s \rightarrow 0$ and, since u is differentiable in t , the left hand side tends to $u'(t)$ in X as $s \rightarrow 0$.

By the closedness of A we get $u(t) \in D(A)$ and $u'(t) = Au(t)$, that is, $\Phi_t Bu = A\Phi_t u$, which means $\Phi_t B \subset A_Z \Phi_t$ since, by (i), $\Phi_t u, \Phi_t Bu \in Z$. In particular we have $\Phi_0 B \subset A_Z \Phi_0$.

If $u \in D(B) \cap \ker \Phi_0$, that is, $u, u' \in F$ and $u(0) = 0$, then

$$u'(0) = (Bu)(0) = \Phi_0 Bu = A_Z \Phi_0 u = Au(0) = 0,$$

that is, $Bu = u' \in \ker \Phi_0$. Hence $\ker \Phi_0$ is B -invariant.

Recall the definition of the quotient operator and note that $[B] := [B]_{F/\ker \Phi_0} = \left\{([u], [u']) : u \in D(B)\right\}$. Now let $u \in D(B)$. Then, by the above, $\widehat{\Phi}_0[B][u] = \Phi_0 Bu = A_Z \Phi_0 u$. Hence $\widehat{\Phi}_0[B] \subset A_Z \widehat{\Phi}_0$, which implies $\widehat{\Phi}_0[B] \widehat{\Phi}_0^{-1} \subset A_Z$. To prove the reverse inclusion let $x \in D(A_Z)$, that is, $x \in D(A) \cap Z$ and $Ax \in Z$. Choose $v \in F$ such that $v(0) = Ax$. Let $u := 1 * v + x$. Then $u(0) = x$ and for any $t \geq 0$ we have by the choice of v :

$$u'(t) = v(t) = A(1 * v(t)) + Ax = A(1 * v(t) + x) = Au(t).$$

Hence u is a classical (in particular, a mild) solution for the initial value x , that is, $[u] = \widehat{\Phi}_0^{-1}x$. By the arguments used in the proof of (ii) we have $u \in D(B)$, which implies $x \in D(\widehat{\Phi}_0[B]\widehat{\Phi}_0^{-1})$, and the proof of (iv) is complete. \square

The remaining part of Theorem 1 is proved in the following

PROPOSITION 4. *There is a continuous function $T : Z \times C([0, \infty), Z) \rightarrow C([0, \infty), Z)$ such that $T(x, f)$ is a solution of (4) for all $x \in Z, f \in C([0, \infty), Z)$.*

PROOF: It is well-known that the map, $S : (u, g) \mapsto T_{(\cdot)}u + T * g$ is a continuous function $F \times C([0, \infty), F) \rightarrow C([0, \infty), F)$ such that $S(u, g)$ is a solution of

$$(5) \quad v(t) = B(1 * v)(t) + (1 * g)(t) + u \quad (t \geq 0).$$

Define T by $T(x, f) := \Phi_0 S(Qx, Q \circ f)$. By the continuity of Q, S and Φ_0 , the function T is continuous from $Z \times C([0, \infty), Z)$ to $C([0, \infty), Z)$. By applying Φ_0 to (5) and using Proposition 3 (iv), we see that $T(x, f)$ is a continuous solution of (4). \square

REMARK 5. (i) The solution $T(0, f)$ in the proof of Proposition 4 is given by

$$\begin{aligned} u(t) &= \Phi_0 \int_0^t T_{t-s} Q(f(s)) ds \\ &= \int_0^t \Phi_{t-s} (Q(f(s))) ds \\ &= \int_0^t (Q(f(s)))(t-s) ds. \end{aligned}$$

The last expression appeared in [5] for continuous operators A in a Fréchet space X for which $Z = X$. It justifies the term *nonlinear fundamental system* used by G. Herzog and R. Lemmert for the (in general nonlinear) selection operator Q . Notice that in [5] any mild solution is a classical solution due to the continuity of A .

(ii) Solutions of (1) are unique if and only if Φ_0 is injective. In this case, $\Phi_0 : F \rightarrow Z$ is an isomorphism, $Q = \Phi_0^{-1}$ and $U_t := \Phi_0 T_t \Phi_0^{-1} = \Phi_t \circ Q$ defines, by similarity, a C_0 -semigroup $(U_t)_{t \geq 0}$ in Z whose generator can be shown to be the part A_Z of A in Z given by $A_Z x = Ax$ on $D(A_Z) := \{x \in D(A) \cap Z : Ax \in Z\}$. This result is due to deLaubenfels [3, 4]. The arguments used in the construction of Z and the semigroup generated by the part of A in Z are similar to ours but are carried out directly in Z rather than in F .

(iii) Notice that the operators $Q_t := \Phi_t \circ Q$ are in general nonlinear, and it is not clear if Q can be chosen in such a way that $Q_t \circ Q_s = Q_{s+t}$ for all $s, t \geq 0$, in which case $(Q_t)_{t \geq 0}$ would be a strongly continuous semigroup of continuous nonlinear operators in the Fréchet space Z .

It will in general be impossible to construct the solution space Z for a given operator A . The following corollary is easier to apply since it only requires finding sufficiently many initial values for which (1) has a (mild) solution.

COROLLARY 6. *Let $W \hookrightarrow X$ be an ultrabornological topological vector space such that (1) has a mild solution for any $x \in W$ in the sense of (3). Then (2) has a mild solution for any $f \in C([0, \infty), W)$ in the sense of (4).*

PROOF: We have $W \subset Z$, and the inclusion is closed. By the closed graph theorem [7, p.57, (2)], and [7, p.55, (4)], we get $W \hookrightarrow Z$. Hence $C([0, \infty), W) \hookrightarrow C([0, \infty), Z)$, and Proposition 4 gives the assertion. □

4. THE HEAT EQUATION IN SPACES OF ENTIRE FUNCTIONS

In this section we consider the one-dimensional heat equation

$$(6) \quad u_t = u_{xx}, \quad t \geq 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad u(0, x) = f(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

in spaces of entire functions. For simplicity we only consider even functions

$$(7) \quad f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{c_k}{(2k)!} x^{2k}, \quad x \in \mathbb{C}.$$

By the Cauchy-Hadamard formula, (7) defines an entire function if and only if the sequence (c_k) satisfies

$$(8) \quad \sup_{k \geq 0} \frac{h^k |c_k|}{(2k)!} < \infty, \quad h > 0.$$

The space of all these functions is clearly a Fréchet space which we denote by E . More generally, we consider function spaces $E_\omega \subset E$ where $\omega : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is a non-decreasing continuous function satisfying

- (i) $\omega(2r) = O(\omega(r)) \quad (r \rightarrow \infty)$,
- (ii) $\sqrt{r} = O(\omega(r)) \quad (r \rightarrow \infty)$,
- (iii) $\varphi : t \mapsto \omega(e^t)$ is convex.

We denote by φ^* the convex conjugated function $\varphi^*(s) := \sup_{t \geq 0} (st - \varphi(t))$ and define E_ω to be the space of all functions f of the form (7) such that $(c_k) \in \Lambda_\omega$ where

$$\Lambda_\omega := \left\{ (c_k) : \forall m \in \mathbb{N}, \quad q_{\omega,m}(c_k) := \sup_k |c_k| e^{-m\varphi^*(k/m)} < \infty \right\}.$$

Observe that $E_\omega = E$ for $\omega(r) = \sqrt{r}$ by Stirling's formula and (8), and that (ii) implies that $E_\omega \subset E$. Clearly Λ_ω is a Fréchet space for the family of norms $(q_{\omega,m})_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ and we consider the topology on E_ω induced by the linear bijection $f \mapsto (c_k)$.

Then a mild solution to the heat equation in E_ω corresponds to a continuous function $g = (g_k) : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \Lambda_\omega$ satisfying the infinite system

$$g'_k(t) = g_{k+1}(t), \quad t \geq 0; \quad g_k(0) = c_k.$$

By induction we see that $g_k = g_0^{(k)}$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$. Hence a solution corresponds to an element of the space

$$\mathcal{E}_\omega^+ := \left\{ g \in C^\infty[0, \infty) : \forall m, n \in \mathbb{N}, p_{\omega, m, n}^+(g) := \sup_{0 \leq t \leq n} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}_0} |g^{(k)}(t)| e^{-m\varphi^*(k/m)} < \infty \right\}.$$

The family of seminorms $(p_{\omega, m, n}^+)_{m, n}$ turns \mathcal{E}_ω^+ into a Fréchet space. We also define the space \mathcal{E}_ω of all functions $g \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ such that $p_{\omega, m, n}(g) < \infty$ where $p_{\omega, m, n}$ is defined as $p_{\omega, m, n}^+$ with \sup replaced by $\sup_{|t| \leq n}$. Then solutions of the heat equation in E_ω are unique if and only if $g \in \mathcal{E}_\omega^+$ and $g^{(k)}(0) = 0$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ imply $g = 0$, that is, if and only if \mathcal{E}_ω^+ is quasi-analytic, which is known to be the case if and only if ω satisfies

$$(9) \quad \int_1^\infty \frac{\omega(r)}{r^2} dr = \infty.$$

(This is a version of the Denjoy-Carleman Theorem [9, Theorem 19.11]: letting $M_k = \exp(m\varphi^*(k/m))$ we obtain by $\varphi = \varphi^{**}$ that $\log q(x) \sim m\omega(x)$; see also [10].) Hence we concentrate on the case $\int_1^\infty \omega(r)r^{-2} dr < \infty$. In this case the heat equation has a mild solution for all initial values $f \in E_\omega$ if and only if the map $\delta_\omega^+ : \mathcal{E}_\omega^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_\omega, g \mapsto (g^{(k)}(0))$ is surjective. Since it is easy to see that δ_ω^+ is surjective if and only if $\delta_\omega : \mathcal{E}_\omega \rightarrow \Lambda_\omega$ is surjective we have by [10, Theorem 3.10] that this is the case if and only if

$$(10) \quad \int_0^\infty \frac{\omega(yr)}{1+r^2} dr \leq C\omega(y) + C, \quad y \geq 0.$$

This condition holds for $\omega(r) = r^\alpha, 1/2 \leq \alpha < 1$ (actually also for $0 < \alpha < 1/2$ but (ii) requires $\alpha \geq 1/2$) whereas it does not hold for $\omega(r) = r(\log r)^{-\beta}$ (see [10, Example 1.8]).

Thus we have the following: if (10) holds then the solution space is E_ω ; if (10) does not hold then the solution space is $\text{im } \delta_\omega^+ \neq E_\omega$. In either case the solution space is isomorphic to the quotient space $\mathcal{E}_\omega^+ / \ker \delta_\omega^+$. If $h : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \text{im } \delta_\omega^+$ is a continuous function then there exists a mild solution $u : [0, \infty) \rightarrow E_\omega$ of the equation $u_t = u_{xx} + h(t, x), t \geq 0, u(0) = 0$.

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