

Let  $V, H$  be separable Hilbert spaces. We consider the abstract problem: find  $u \in H^1((0, T), V; H)$  such that

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \underbrace{\frac{d}{dt}(u(t), v)_H + a(u(t), v)}_{=\langle u'(t), v \rangle} &= \langle F(t), v \rangle & \forall v \in V \quad \forall t \in (0, T) \text{ a.e.}, \\ u(0) &= u_0 & \text{in } H, \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (10.1)$$

for given  $u_0 \in H$  and  $F \in L^2((0, T), V^*)$ , where  $(V, H, V^*)$  is an evolution triple, i. e.,

- $V \subset H$ ,
- there exists a constant  $c > 0$  such that  $\|v\|_H \leq c \|v\|_V$  for all  $v \in V$ ,
- $V$  is dense in  $H$ .

Recall that the weak time derivative  $u' \in L^2((0, T), V^*)$  fulfills

$$\int_0^T \varphi(t) \langle u'(t), v \rangle dt = - \int_0^T \varphi'(t) (u(t), v)_H dt \quad \forall v \in V \quad \forall \varphi \in C_0^\infty(0, T).$$

**52** Show that for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ : the function  $u \in H^1((0, T), V; H)$  is a solution of (10.1) if and only if  $u_\lambda \in H^1((0, T), V; H)$  solves

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}(u_\lambda(t), v)_H + a_\lambda(u_\lambda(t), v) &= \langle F_\lambda(t), v \rangle & \forall v \in V \quad \forall t \in (0, T) \text{ a.e.}, \\ u_\lambda(0) &= u_0 & \text{in } H, \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (10.2)$$

where

$$u_\lambda(t) = e^{-\lambda t} u(t), \quad a_\lambda(w, v) = a(w, v) + \lambda(w, v)_H, \quad F_\lambda(t) = e^{-\lambda t} F(t).$$

*Hint:* use the definition of the weak time derivative  $u'(t)$  to compute  $u'_\lambda(t)$ .

**53** Let  $a : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a bounded bilinear form. Show that if constants  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\mu_1 > 0$  exist such that the so-called *Gårding inequality*

$$a(v, v) + \lambda \|v\|_H^2 \geq \mu_1 \|v\|_V^2 \quad \forall v \in V$$

holds, then the problem (10.1) is uniquely solvable for any  $F \in L^2((0, T); V^*)$  and  $u_0 \in H$ .

*Hint:* Use Exercise **52** and Theorem 2.8.

Now, consider the bilinear form

$$a(w, v) := \int_0^1 a(x) \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}(x) \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(x) + b(x) \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}(x) v(x) + c(x) w(x) v(x) dx$$

in  $H^1(0, 1)$  with  $a, b, c \in L^\infty(0, 1)$ , where  $a_0 := \inf_{x \in (0, 1)} a(x) > 0$ . Show the Gårding inequality for this bilinear form.

*Hint:* Choose  $\lambda$  such that the assumptions of Exercise **11** hold for the bilinear form  $a_\lambda(w, v) := a(w, v) + \lambda(w, v)_{L^2(0, 1)}$ .

- 54 Let  $C^1([0, T], V)$  denote the space of continuous functions in  $[0, T]$  with values in the Hilbert space  $V$  that have a continuous *classical* derivative, i. e., for  $v \in C^1([0, T], V)$  the limit

$$v'(t) := \lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\tau} (v(t + \tau) - v(t))$$

exists for all  $t \in [0, T]$  and the function  $v' : [0, T] \rightarrow V$  is continuous.

Show that for all  $s, t \in [0, T]$  and for all  $v \in C^1([0, T], V)$ :

$$\frac{1}{2} (v(t), v(t))_H = \frac{1}{2} (v(s), v(s))_H + \int_s^t (v'(\sigma), v(\sigma))_H d\sigma. \quad (10.3)$$

*Hint:* Prove and use the identity

$$\frac{1}{2} \left[ (v(\sigma), v(\sigma))_H \right]' = (v'(\sigma), v(\sigma))_H.$$

- 55 Prove the statement of Lemma 2.7 for continuously differentiable functions, i. e., show that there exists a constant  $C > 0$  such that

$$\max_{t \in [0, T]} \|v(t)\|_H \leq C \|v\|_{H^1((0, T), V; H)} \quad \forall v \in C^1([0, T], V).$$

*Hint:* Integrate identity (10.3) w.r.t.  $s$  over  $[0, T]$ . Note that  $\|v'\|_{L^2((0, T), V^*)}^2$  is the integral over the (square of the)  $V^*$ -norm of the mapping  $w \mapsto (v'(t), w)_H$ . Show and use that

$$(v'(\sigma), w)_H \leq \|v'(\sigma)\|_{V^*} \|w\|_V \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \|v'(\sigma)\|_{V^*}^2 + \|w\|_{V^*}^2 \right] \quad \forall w \in V.$$

- 56 Consider the Courant FE semi-discretization of our 1D parabolic model problem  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, t) - \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}(x, t) = f(x, t)$  for all  $(x, t) \in (0, 1) \times (0, T)$ , with  $u(0, t) = 0$  and  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(1, t) = g_1(t)$  for all  $t \in [0, T]$ .

Derive an upper bound for  $\|M_h^{-1} K_h\|_{M_h}$  where  $\|\cdot\|_{M_h}$  is the operator norm w.r.t.  $\|\cdot\|_{M_h}$ . This will imply that the right hand side of problem (8) from the lecture satisfies the assumptions of the Picard-Lindelöf Theorem, and so (8) is uniquely solvable.

*Hint:*  $M_h^{-1} K_h$  is positive definite with respect to the inner product  $(\underline{v}_h, \underline{w}_h)_{M_h} := (M_h \underline{v}_h, \underline{w}_h)_{\ell^2}$ . Use the Rayleigh quotient and the eigenvalue bounds from Chapter 1 to get an upper bound for  $\lambda_{\max}(M_h^{-1} K_h)$ .

- 57 Show that

$$\frac{d}{dt} \|\theta_h(t)\|_H \leq \|\rho'_h(t)\|_H - \frac{\mu_1}{c^2} \|\theta_h(t)\|_H \quad \forall t \in (0, T) \text{ a.e.}$$

*Hint:* See (and modify) the proof of Lemma 2.16.

Then, show that

$$\|\theta_h(t)\|_H \leq e^{-\mu_1 c^{-2} t} \|\theta_h(0)\|_H + \int_0^t e^{-\mu_1 c^{-2} (t-s)} \|\rho'_h(s)\|_H ds.$$

This leads also to an improved estimate in Lemma 2.17, in which the initial values lose influence.

*Hint:* Estimate the term

$$\frac{d}{ds} \left[ e^{\mu_1 c^{-2} s} \|\theta_h(s)\|_H \right]$$

using the previous result, and integrate over  $[0, t]$  w.r.t.  $s$ .