

# Fourier multipliers and stability of semigroups

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# Introduction

In [Lebeau 1996](#) considered a damped wave equation on a manifold  $M$ :

$$\begin{cases} u_{tt}(t, x) + a(x)u_t(t, x) - \Delta u(t, x) = 0, & x \in M \\ u = 0, & x \in \partial M \\ u(0, \cdot) = u_0, \quad u_t(0, \cdot) = u_1 & x \in M. \end{cases}$$

$M$  - smooth compact connected Riemannian manifold with boundary,

Damping:  $a(x) \geq 0$ ,  $0 < \|a\|_\infty < \infty$ .

Reformulation as Cauchy problem.

$$X = W_0^{1,2}(M) \times L^2(M), \quad D(A) = (W^{2,2}(M) \cap W_0^{1,2}(M)) \cap W_0^{1,2}(M).$$

$$U_t + AU = 0, \quad U(0) = (u_0, u_1), \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -I \\ -\Delta & a \end{pmatrix}$$

By Hille–Yosida:  $-A$  generates a  $C_0$ -semigroup:  $\|S(t)\| \leq 1$ .

[Lebeau 1996](#) showed:  $\|e^{-tA}A^{-1}\| \leq \frac{C \log(3+\log(3+t))}{\log(t+3)}$

This means **classical solutions** have log decay!

Last 20 years: detailed study of decay of classical solutions.

## Theorem (Batty and Duyckaerts 2008)

Let  $S(t) = e^{-tA}$  be a **bounded**  $C_0$ -semigroup on a Banach space  $X$ ,  $\sigma(A) \subseteq \mathbb{C}_+$ , and

$$M(s) = \sup_{|\xi| \leq s} \|(i\xi + A)^{-1}\|, \quad \tilde{M}(s) = M(s) [\log(1 + M(s)) + \log(1 + s)].$$

Then there exist  $k, K, c, C > 0$  such that

$$\frac{c}{M^{-1}(kt)} \leq \|S(t)A^{-1}\| \leq \frac{C}{\tilde{M}^{-1}(Kt)}.$$

Characterizations without log-terms if  $X$  is a Hilbert space:

- [Borichev–Tomilov 2010](#)  $M(s) \approx s^\beta$
- [Batty–Chill–Tomilov 2014](#)  $M(s) \approx s^\beta \times \log$  variations
- [Rozendaal–Seiffert–Stahn 2017](#)  $\exists \lambda > 1$  s.t.  $\liminf_{s \rightarrow \infty} \frac{M(\lambda s)}{M(s)} > 1$ .

# A simple case of the converse implication

Decay of  $\|e^{-tA}A^{-1}\| \longleftrightarrow$  growth of  $\|(is + A)^{-1}\|$ .

How to make the implication " $\longrightarrow$ " precise in a special case:

Assume  $\|e^{-tA}A^{-1}\| \leq Ct^{-1-\varepsilon}$  with  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then for  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$(is + A)^{-1}A^{-1} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-its} e^{-tA}A^{-1} dt.$$

Therefore,

$$\|(is + A)^{-1}A^{-1}\| \leq \int_0^{\infty} \|e^{-its} e^{-tA}A^{-1}\| dt \leq C.$$

Thus  $(is + A)^{-1}A^{-1}$  is uniformly bounded. Now write:

$$(is + A)^{-1}A^{-1} = \frac{A^{-1} - (is + A)^{-1}}{is}.$$

This yields  $\|(is + A)^{-1}\| \leq \tilde{C}(1 + |s|)$ .

**Goal:** Develop a variation of this theory in the case  $\sup_{t \geq 0} \|S(t)\| = \infty$ .

One known result: [Bátkai-Engel-Prüss-Schnaubelt 2006](#)

**Examples:** operator matrices, multiplication operators on  $W^{k,p}$ .

Main technique:  $(L^p, L^q)$  Fourier multipliers with  $m(\xi) = (i\xi + A)^{-k}$ .

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# Fourier multipliers: scalar valued

Given  $m : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  locally integrable and of polynomial growth  
 $\mathcal{S}$  - Schwartz functions,  $\mathcal{S}'$  - tempered distributions

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{S} & \xrightarrow{T_m} & \mathcal{S}' \\ \mathcal{F} \downarrow & & \uparrow \mathcal{F}^{-1} \\ \mathcal{S} & \xrightarrow{m} & \mathcal{S}' \end{array} \quad (1)$$

We say  $m \in \mathcal{M}_{p,q}$  if  $T_m \in \mathcal{L}(L^p, L^q)$ ,  $\|m\|_{\mathcal{M}_{p,q}} = \|T_m\|_{\mathcal{L}(L^p, L^q)}$ .

- $\mathcal{M}_{2,2} = L^\infty$
- $\mathcal{M}_{p,p} \hookrightarrow L^\infty$  (converse false if  $p \neq 2$ )
- If  $p > q$ , then  $\mathcal{M}_{p,q} = \{0\}$ .
- If  $1 < p \leq 2 \leq q < \infty$ ,  $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q}$ , then  $L^r \hookrightarrow L^{r,\infty} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{M}_{p,q}$

The last two results are due to Hörmander 1960

# Fourier multipliers: vector-valued

Given  $m : \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$  strongly measurable + growth conditions

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}; X) & \xrightarrow{T_m} & \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}; Y) \\ \mathcal{F} \downarrow & & \uparrow \mathcal{F}^{-1} \\ \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}; X) & \xrightarrow{m} & \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}; Y) \end{array} \quad (2)$$

We say  $m \in \mathcal{M}_{p,q}(\mathbb{R}; X, Y)$  if  $T_m \in \mathcal{L}(L^p(\mathbb{R}; X), L^q(\mathbb{R}; Y))$ ,

$$\|m\|_{\mathcal{M}_{p,q}(\mathbb{R}; X, Y)} = \|T_m\|_{\mathcal{L}(L^p(\mathbb{R}; X), L^q(\mathbb{R}; Y))}.$$

Sufficient conditions for  $m \in \mathcal{M}_{p,p}$  in vector-valued case:

- [McConnell 1984](#), [Bourgain 1984](#): Mihlin type results if  $X$  is UMD
- [Weis 2001](#), Mihlin for operator-valued multipliers + appl. PDE  
Uses  $R$ -boundedness of  $\{m(\xi) : \xi \in \mathbb{R}\}$  (nec.) and  $\{\xi m'(\xi) : \xi \in \mathbb{R}\}$

$\mathcal{M}_{p,q}$  with  $p < q$  is very interesting in the operator-valued case and almost **nothing is known** about them.

# Vector-valued Bessel potential spaces $H^{s,p}$

## Theorem

- (i) If  $X$  is UMD, then  $W^{k,p}(\mathbb{R}; X) = H^{k,p}(\mathbb{R}; X)$
- (ii) If  $W^{k,p}(\mathbb{R}; X) = H^{k,p}(\mathbb{R}; X)$  with  $d \geq 2$  or  $k$  is odd, then  $X$  is UMD

(i): follows from the vector-valued Mihlin multiplier theorem

(ii): Bourgain 1983 and Geiss–Montgomery-Smith–Saksman [2010]

## Theorem (Han–Meyer, 1996)

$F_{p,2}^s(\mathbb{R}^d; X) = H^{s,p}(\mathbb{R}^d; X) \iff X$  is isomorphic to a Hilbert space.

## Theorem (Meyries–Veraar, 2015)

If  $X$  is UMD,  $p \in (1, \infty)$ ,  $s \in (-1/p', 1/p)$ , then

$$\mathbf{1}_{\mathbb{R}_+^d} : H^{s,p}(\mathbb{R}^d; X) \rightarrow H^{s,p}(\mathbb{R}^d; X)$$

Weighted setting allowed. **Problem:** Necessity of UMD ?



# Multipliers for spaces with Fourier type

$X$  has **Fourier type**  $p$  if  $\mathcal{F} : L^p(\mathbb{R}; X) \rightarrow L^{p'}(\mathbb{R}; X)$  (Peetre 1969).  
Connection Hausdorff–Young inequalities. Only  $p \in [1, 2]$ .

Original motivation: comparison of real and complex interpolation:

$$(X_0, X_1)_{\theta, p} \hookrightarrow [X_0, X_1]_{\theta} \hookrightarrow (X_0, X_1)_{\theta, p'}$$

- Every  $X$  has Fourier type 1
- $X$  Fourier type 2  $\iff X$  is a Hilbert space (Kwapień 1972)
- Fourier type  $p$  implies Fourier type  $u$  for all  $u \in [1, p]$
- $L^s(\Omega)$  with  $s \in [1, \infty)$  has Fourier type  $\min\{s, s'\}$

Convention:  $X$  has **Fourier cotype**  $q \in [2, \infty]$  if  $X$  has Fourier type  $q'$ .

# Multipliers for Banach spaces with Fourier type

## Proposition (RV, 2017a)

Assume  $X$  has Fourier type  $p \in [1, 2]$  and  $Y$  has Fourier cotype  $q \in [2, \infty]$  and set  $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q}$ . Then  $L^r(\mathbb{R}; \mathcal{L}(X, Y)) \subseteq \mathcal{M}_{p,q}(\mathbb{R}, X, Y)$ .

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \|T_m(f)\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}; Y)} &\lesssim_{Y,q} \|mf\|_{L^{q'}(\mathbb{R}; Y)} \stackrel{\text{H\"older}}{\leq} \|m(\cdot)\|_{L^r(\mathbb{R}; \mathcal{L}(X, Y))} \|\widehat{f}\|_{L^{p'}(\mathbb{R}; X)} \\ &\lesssim_{X,p} \|m(\cdot)\|_{L^r(\mathbb{R}; \mathcal{L}(X, Y))} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)}. \end{aligned}$$

By interpolation techniques we obtain a result of Hörmander type:

## Theorem (RV, 2017a)

Assume  $X$  has Fourier type  $> p$  and  $Y$  has Fourier cotype  $< q$  and set  $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q}$ . Then  $L^{r,\infty}(\mathbb{R}; \mathcal{L}(X, Y)) \subseteq \mathcal{M}_{p,q}(\mathbb{R}, X, Y)$ .

**Converses:** Fourier type is necessary

**Problem:** limiting case of Theorem with Fourier type  $p$  and cotype  $q$

# Multipliers for Banach spaces with type and cotype

**Rademacher** (co)type less restrictive than Fourier (co)type:

- $L^s(\Omega)$  with  $s \in [1, \infty)$  has type  $\min\{s, 2\}$  and cotype  $\max\{s, 2\}$ .

## Theorem (RV, 2017a)

*Assume  $X$  has type  $> p \in [1, 2)$  and  $Y$  has cotype  $< q \in (2, \infty]$  and set  $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q}$ . If  $m : \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$  is strongly measurable and*

$$\{|\xi|^{\frac{1}{r}} m(\xi) : \xi \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}\} \subseteq \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$$

*is  $R$ -bounded, then  $m \in \mathcal{M}_{p,q}(\mathbb{R}, X, Y)$ .*

**Converses:** type and cotype necessary

**Problem:** Limiting case of Theorem?

Yes if  $X$  is  $p$ -convex (and finite cotype) and  $Y$  is  $q$ -concave

# Main ingredient in the proof

$\gamma(\mathbb{R}; X)$  - completion of the simple functions in the norm

$$\left\| \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{1}_{A_n} x_n \right\|_{\gamma(\mathbb{R}; X)} = \left\| \sum_{n=1}^N \gamma_n |A_n|^{1/2} x_n \right\|_{L^2(\Omega; X)}, \quad \gamma_n \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1) \text{ independent.}$$

## Theorem (Kalton-Neerven-V.-Weis 2008)

Let  $X$  be a Banach space,  $p \in [1, 2]$  and  $s = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{2}$ . Then

$$\dot{B}_{p,p}^s(\mathbb{R}; X) \hookrightarrow \gamma(\mathbb{R}; X) \iff X \text{ has type } p.$$

**Problem:** Result with  $\dot{B}_{p,p}^s$  replaced by  $\dot{H}^{\alpha,r}$ ?

Result with  $\dot{B}_{p,p}^s$  replaced by  $\dot{F}_{p,\infty}^s$  is **false** in general

However, if  $X$  has type  $p_0 > p$ , then with  $s_0 = \frac{1}{p_0} - \frac{1}{2}$

$$\dot{H}^{s,p}(\mathbb{R}; X) \hookrightarrow \dot{F}_{p,\infty}^s(\mathbb{R}; X) \hookrightarrow \dot{B}_{p_0,p_0}^{s_0}(\mathbb{R}; X) \hookrightarrow \gamma(\mathbb{R}; X).$$

# Main characterization of polynomial stability

From now on  $-A$  generates a  $C_0$ -semigroup  $S(t)$  and  $\sigma(A) \subseteq \mathbb{C}_+$ .

## Theorem (RV, 2017b)

Let  $\theta \geq 0$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . The following are equivalent:

- 1  $\sup_{t \geq 0} t^n \|S(t)A^{-\theta}\|_{\mathcal{L}(X)} < \infty$ ;
- 2 There exist  $1 \leq p \leq q \leq \infty$  such that for all  $k \in \{1, \dots, n+1\}$

$$\xi \mapsto (i\xi + A)^k A^{-\theta} \in \mathcal{M}_{p,q}(\mathbb{R}; X)$$

Interpolation argument gives non-integer decay rates.

# Polynomial stability results

We say that  $A$  has **resolvent growth**  $\beta \geq 0$  if  $\exists C \geq 0$  s.t.

$$\|(\lambda + A)^{-1}\| \leq C(|\lambda| + 1)^\beta, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{C}_+.$$

## Theorem (RV, 2017b)

*Let  $X$  be a Hilbert space. Assume  $A$  has resolvent growth  $\beta \geq 0$ . Then for each  $\tau \geq \beta$  and  $\rho = \frac{\tau}{\beta} - 1$ , there exists a  $C \geq 0$  such that*

$$\|S(t)A^{-\tau}\| \leq Ct^{-\rho}, \quad t \geq 1 \quad (*)$$

Bounded semigroups in Hilbert spaces:  $\|S(t)A^{-\tau}\| \leq Ct^{-\tau/\beta}$ .

## Theorem (RV, 2017b)

*Let  $X$  have Fourier type  $p \in [1, 2)$  and let  $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{p'}$ . Assume  $A$  has resolvent growth  $\beta \geq 0$ . Then for each  $\tau > \beta + r^{-1}$  and  $\rho \in [0, \frac{\tau - r^{-1}}{\beta} - 1)$  there exists a  $C \geq 0$  such that  $(*)$  holds.*

- Both results follow from the main characterization and the fact that resolvent growth  $\beta$  implies that for all  $\tau \geq \beta$ ,

$$\|(\lambda + \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^{-\tau}\| \leq \frac{C}{|\lambda|^{\tau-\beta} + 1}, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{C}_+.$$

This implies  $\xi \mapsto (i\xi + \mathbf{A})^k \mathbf{A}^{-\tau} \in \mathcal{M}_{p,p'}(\mathbb{R}; X)$  for suitable  $\tau$  by the multiplier theorems.

- By interpolation one can improve the bounds if  $\|S(t)\|$  has sub-linear growth.
- Similar result for spaces with type  $p$  and cotype  $q$  with  $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q}$ , but this requires an  $R$ -bounded version of resolvent growth.

# Examples

Variation of classical Example of [Zabczyk 1975](#) and [Wrobel 1989](#):

## Example (Optimality)

Let  $X = \ell^2$ .  $\forall \beta \in (0, \infty)$  and  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$ ,  $\exists A$  with resolvent growth  $\beta$  s.t.

$$\|S(\cdot)A^{-\tau}\| \sim \text{exponential growth} \quad \forall \tau \in [0, (1 - \varepsilon)\beta)$$

$$\|S(\cdot)A^{-\tau}\| \sim \text{polynomial decay} \quad \forall \tau \geq \beta.$$

## Example

Fix  $a \in (0, \infty)$  and  $b \in (0, 1)$  with  $a + b \geq 1$ . Set  $\phi(s) := s^{-a} + is^b$  for  $s \in (1, \infty)$ . Let  $X := W^{1,2}(1, \infty)$ , and let  $A$  be the multiplication operator on  $X$  associated with  $\phi$ . Then  $\sigma(A) \subseteq \mathbb{C}_+$  and  $-A$  generates a  $C_0$ -semigroup. and  $A$  has resolvent growth  $\frac{b-1+2a}{b}$ . Moreover,

$\|S(t)\| \sim t^{1-\frac{1-b}{a}}$ . The theory and interpolation can be applied.



$$s(-A) := \sup\{\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) \mid \lambda \in \sigma(-A)\},$$

$$s_0(-A) := \inf\{\omega > s(-A) \mid \sup_{\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) \geq \omega} \|(\lambda + A)^{-1}\| < \infty\},$$

$$\omega_\alpha(S) := \inf\{\omega \in \mathbb{R} \mid \|S(t)x\| = O(e^{\omega t}) \text{ for all } x \in D(A^\alpha)\}.$$

In the previous example of Zabczyk  $\omega_0(S) = 1$  and  $s(-A) = 0$ .

Optimal exponential stability for

- Hilbert spaces: [Gearhart 1978](#) and [Prüss 1984](#):  $\omega_0(A) = s_0(A)$
- general Banach spaces and Fourier type: [van Neerven, Straub and Weis 1995](#), and [Weis and Wrobel 1996](#)
- type, cotype and  $R$ -boundedness: [van Neerven 2009](#)
- positive semigroups on  $L^p$ -spaces: [Weis 1995](#)

These statement follow from our results.

# New sharp result for positive semigroups

## Theorem (RV, 2017c)

Let  $1 \leq p \leq q < \infty$  and let  $X$  be a  $p$ -convex and  $q$ -concave Banach lattice. Let  $-A$  generate a positive  $C_0$ -semigroup on  $X$ . Then

$$\omega_{\frac{1}{p}-\frac{1}{q}}(T) \leq s_0(-A).$$

Result is sharp in  $L^p \cap L^q$ .

Proof based on special multiplier result in the case  $\check{m}$  is positive:

## Theorem (RV, 2017a)

Let  $p, q \in [1, \infty)$  with  $p \leq q$ , and let  $\alpha = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q}$ . Assume  $X$  is  $p$ -convex and  $Y$  is  $q$ -concave. Suppose that  $\check{m}(t)$  is a positive operator for each  $t \in \mathbb{R}^1$ , and  $t \mapsto \check{m}(t)x \in L^1(\mathbb{R}; Y)$  for all  $x \in X$ . Then

$$\|T_m\|_{\mathcal{L}(\dot{H}_p^\alpha(\mathbb{R}; X), L^q(\mathbb{R}; Y))} \leq C \|m(0)\|_{\mathcal{L}(X, Y)} \quad (3)$$

## Theorem (RV, 2017c)

Let  $S(t) = e^{-tA}$  be a  $C_0$ -semigroup on a Hilbert space  $X$  and assume that  $\mathbb{C}_- \subseteq \rho(A)$ . For  $\alpha \in [1, \infty)$  and  $\beta \in [0, \infty)$  consider:

(i) There is a constant  $C_\alpha$  such that

$$\|(a + i\xi + A)^{-1}\| \leq C_\alpha \left( \frac{1}{a^\alpha} + 1 \right), \quad a > 0, \xi \in \mathbb{R}$$

(ii) There is a constant  $C_\beta$  such that

$$\|S(t)\| \leq C_\beta (1 + t^\beta), \quad t \geq 0.$$

Then (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) with  $\beta = \alpha$  and (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) with  $\alpha = \beta + 1$ .

Previously [Eisner–Zwart 2006](#): (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) with  $\beta = 2\alpha - 1$ .

Sharpness is unknown. (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) with  $\alpha = \beta + 1$  is sharp.

We obtained the same theorem for positive semigroups on  $L^p$ .

## Example

On the two-dimensional torus  $\mathbb{T}^2$  consider the perturbed wave equation

$$u_{tt} = u_{xx} + u_{yy} + e^{iy} u_x, \quad t > 0, x, y \in \mathbb{T},$$

This gives a Cauchy problem on  $X = H^1(\mathbb{T}^2) \times L^2(\mathbb{T}^2)$ .

Renardy 1994 proved  $\sigma(A) \subseteq i\mathbb{R}$ , so  $s_0(-A) = 0$ , but  $S(t) = e^{-tA}$  satisfies  $\omega_0(S) \geq 1/2$ .

We proved  $\|(a + i\xi + A)^{-1}\| \leq C(\frac{1}{a} + 1)$ . Therefore, our theorem with  $\alpha = 1$  gives  $\|S(t)\| \leq C(1 + t)e^{t/2}$  for  $t \geq 0$  and hence  $\omega_0(S) = \frac{1}{2}$ .

It is an open problem whether the linear factor can be removed.

# Remarks and open problems

- Conclusion: there is an analog of the theory of polynomial stability for **unbounded semigroups**
- In the paper we also allow  $0 \in \sigma(A)$  if  $A$  is sectorial and injective
- Some cases are known to be sharp
- $(L^p, L^q)$  Fourier multipliers are **everywhere**

**Open problems:** (see previous slides)

- Other rates than polynomial rates?
- $s_0(A) = \omega_0(S)$  for  $X = L^p$  with  $p \in (1, \infty) \setminus \{2\}$  ?
- Is there an  $X$ -valued analogue of **Pitt's** inequality for  $1 < p \leq q < \infty$  and  $\frac{d}{p} + \frac{d}{q} + \beta - \alpha = d$ :

$$\|\xi \mapsto |\xi|^{-\alpha} \widehat{f}(\xi)\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^d)} \leq C \|s \mapsto |s|^\beta f(s)\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)} \quad ?$$

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