

Products of fractional powers of operators

Dedicated to Professor Kôzaku Yosida on his 60th birthday

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§ 1. In the study of fractional powers of operators H. Komatsu [3] [4] has investigated precisely the space $D_p^\sigma(A)$, $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ or $p = \infty -$ for a closed linear operator A in a Banach space X such that

$$(1) \quad \|\lambda(\lambda + A)^{-1}\| \leq M \quad \text{for } \lambda > 0,$$

where M is a constant independent of λ . In this paper we consider a family $A = (A_1, \dots, A_n)$ of linear operators of this kind which satisfy the condition that

$$(2) \quad (\lambda_j + A_j)^{-1}(\lambda_k + A_k)^{-1} = (\lambda_k + A_k)^{-1}(\lambda_j + A_j)^{-1} \\ \text{for } 0 < \lambda_j, \lambda_k; j, k = 1, \dots, n,$$

and study the properties of the space $D_p^{(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)}(A) = \bigcap_{j=1}^n D_p^{\sigma_j}(A_j)$ whose norm is

$$(3) \quad \|x\|_{D_p^{(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)}(A)} = \sum_{j=1}^n \|x\|_{D_p^{\sigma_j}(A_j)}.$$

To describe our results precisely we shall use the following notations. R_+ denotes the set of positive numbers. For X -valued strongly measurable function $f(t)$ of $t = (t_1, \dots, t_n)$, we introduce the norm

$$(4) \quad \|f\|_{L_p^*(R_+^n; X)} = \left(\int_{R_+^n} \|f(t)\|^p \frac{dt}{|t|^n} \right)^{1/p} \quad \text{if } 1 \leq p < \infty, \\ = \sup_{R_+^n} \|f(t)\| \quad \text{if } p = \infty,$$

where $|t|$ denotes the Euclidean norm and $dt = dt_1 \cdots dt_n$. The space $L_p^*(R_+^n; X)$ is the set of all functions whose norms defined in (3) are finite. $L_\infty^-(R_+^n; X)$ is the subspace of $L_\infty^*(R_+^n; X)$ whose members $f(t)$ tend to zero as $|t| \rightarrow \infty$.

For an operator A possessing the above properties, $D_{p,m}^\sigma(A)$, $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ or $p = \infty -$, $0 < \sigma < m$, is the space of all x in X such that $\lambda^\sigma(A(\lambda + A)^{-1})^m x \in L_\infty^*(R_+; X)$ with the norm

$$(5) \quad \|x\|_{D_{p,m}^\sigma(A)} = \|x\| + \|\lambda^\sigma(A(\lambda + A)^{-1})^m x\|_{L_\infty^*(R_+; X)}.$$

It is known that the space $D_{p,m}^\sigma(A)$ does not depend on m ([4] Proposition 1.2),

so that we omit the subscript m on it.

Now let us state our results.

THEOREM 1. *Let $A=(A_1, \dots, A_n)$ be a family of densely defined closed linear operators in a Banach space X with properties (1) and (2). Assume that $0 < \operatorname{Re} \alpha_j < \sigma_j$ or $\alpha_j = 0$, $\rho = 1 - \sum \operatorname{Re} \alpha_j / \sigma_j > 0$. Then the space $D_p^{(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)}(A)$ contains the domain $D(A^\alpha)$ of the operator $A^\alpha = A_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots A_n^{\alpha_n}$ and the inequality*

$$(6) \quad \|A^\alpha x\|_{D_p^{(\rho\sigma_1, \dots, \rho\sigma_n)}(A)} \leq C \|x\|_{D_p^{(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)}(A)}$$

holds for all x in $D_p^{(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)}(A)$, where C is a constant independent of x .

The inequality (6) is a generalization of the inequality concerning mixed derivatives of functions of several variables belonging to the Besov space $B_{q,p}^{(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)}(R^n)$ (cf. [1]):

$$(6') \quad \|D^\alpha \varphi\|_{B_{q,p}^{(\rho\sigma_1, \dots, \rho\sigma_n)}} \leq C \|\varphi\|_{B_{q,p}^{(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)}} \quad \text{for } \varphi \in B_{q,p}^{(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)}$$

where $D^\alpha = \partial^{|\alpha|} / (\partial x_1)^{\alpha_1} \cdots (\partial x_n)^{\alpha_n}$, $|\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \cdots + \alpha_n$. Our inequality (6) is more general than (6)' in two directions: firstly A_1, \dots, A_n are abstract operators, secondly $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ are not necessarily integers.

The space $D_p^{(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)}(A)$ is characterized as the mean interpolation space in the sense of Lions-Peetre [5];

THEOREM 2. *Let $A=(A_1, \dots, A_n)$ be as in Theorem 1. Then the space $D_p^{(\theta m, \dots, \theta m)}(A)$ coincides with $S(p, \theta, X; p, \theta - 1, D^m)$, where $D^m = \bigcap D(A^\alpha)$, $A^\alpha = A_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots A_n^{\alpha_n}$, α ranges over all n -vectors of non-negative integers with $|\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \cdots + \alpha_n = m$, and $0 < \theta < 1$.*

When $-A_1, \dots, -A_n$ are infinitesimal generators of bounded strongly continuous semi-groups G_1, \dots, G_n of operators, respectively, with properties that

$$(7) \quad \|G_j(t_j)\| \leq M \quad \text{for } t_j > 0, j=1, \dots, n,$$

and

$$(8) \quad G_j(t_j)G_k(t_k) = G_k(t_k)G_j(t_j) \quad \text{for } t_j, t_k > 0, j, k=1, \dots, n,$$

the space $D_p^{(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)}(A)$ is characterized as follows:

THEOREM 3. *Let A_1, \dots, A_n be as above. Then the space $D_p^{(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)}(A)$ is identical with the space of points x such that*

$$(9) \quad \|x\| + \| |t|^{-\sigma} (I - G(t))^m x \|_{L_{\infty}^p(\mathbb{R}_+^n; X)} < \infty,$$

where $G(t) = G_1(t_1) \cdots G_n(t_n)$. Moreover, the norm of $D_p^{(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)}(A)$ is equivalent to the norm (9).

§ 2. For future reference we note here some facts concerning linear operators in Banach spaces.

LEMMA 2.1. *Let A, B be two linear operators and assume that $(\lambda + A)^{-1}$ and $(\mu + B)^{-1}$ exist and are bounded. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i) $(\lambda + A)^{-1}(\mu + B)^{-1} = (\mu + B)^{-1}(\lambda + A)^{-1}$,
- (ii) $(\lambda + A)^{-1}x \in D(B)$ and $(\lambda + A)^{-1}Bx = B(\lambda + A)^{-1}x$ for $x \in D(B)$,
- (iii) $(\lambda + B)^{-1}x \in D(A)$ and $(\mu + B)^{-1}Ax = A(\mu + B)^{-1}x$ for $x \in D(A)$,

where $D(A)$ denotes the domain of A .

PROOF. Assume (i). Then for $x \in D(B)$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} B(\lambda + A)^{-1}x &= B(\lambda + A)^{-1}(\mu + B)^{-1}(\mu + B)x \\ &= B(\mu + B)^{-1}(\lambda + A)^{-1}(\mu + B)x \\ &= \{1 - \mu(\mu + B)^{-1}\}(\lambda + A)^{-1}(\mu + B)x \\ &= (\lambda + A)^{-1}\{1 - \mu(\mu + B)^{-1}\}(\mu + B)x = (\lambda + A)^{-1}Bx. \end{aligned}$$

Conversely, assume (ii). Then we get

$$\begin{aligned} (\mu + B)^{-1}(\lambda + A)^{-1} &= (\mu + B)^{-1}(\lambda + A)^{-1}(\mu + B)(\mu + B)^{-1} \\ &= (\mu + B)^{-1}(\mu + B)(\lambda + A)^{-1}(\mu + B)^{-1} = (\lambda + A)^{-1}(\mu + B)^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

The equivalence between (i) and (iii) is proved in the same manner.

A closed linear operator A is the negative of the infinitesimal generators of a bounded strongly continuous semi-group $G(t)$ if and only if the domain $D(A)$ is dense and

$$(10) \quad \|\lambda^m(\lambda + A)^{-m}\| \leq M, \text{ for } \lambda > 0, m = 1, 2, \dots.$$

LEMMA 2.2. *Let $G(t)$ and A be as above. Then*

$$(11) \quad \|A^\alpha I(t)^m\| \leq C_{\alpha, m} t^{m-1+\alpha},$$

where $0 < \text{Re } \alpha < m$, and $I(t) = \int_0^t G(\tau) d\tau$.

PROOF. Evidently it is sufficient to prove the inequality for $0 < \text{Re } \alpha < 1 - m$. Since $I(t)x \subset D_+(A)$, we have

$$A^\alpha I(t)x = c_\alpha \int_0^\infty \lambda^{\alpha-1} A(\lambda + A)^{-1} I(t)x d\lambda,$$

for any x in X ([4]). Combining this with

$$\|\lambda A(\lambda + A)^{-1} I(t)\| = \|\lambda(\lambda + A)^{-1} A I(t)\| = \|\lambda(\lambda + A)^{-1} (1 - G(t))\| \leq 2M^2,$$

and $\|I(t)\| \leq tM$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|A^\alpha I(t)x\| &\leq cM^2 t \int_0^{1/t} \lambda^{\operatorname{Re} \alpha - 1} \|x\| d\lambda + 2cM^2 \int_{1/t}^\infty \lambda^{\operatorname{Re} \alpha - 2} \|x\| d\lambda \\ &= cM^2 \left(\frac{1}{\operatorname{Re} \alpha} + \frac{2}{1 - \operatorname{Re} \alpha} \right) t^{1 - \operatorname{Re} \alpha} \|x\|. \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 2.3. Let $-A$ and $-B$ be the infinitesimal generators of bounded strongly continuous semi-groups $G(t)$ and $H(t)$, respectively. Then $(\lambda + A)^{-1}$ and $(\mu + B)^{-1}$ commute for all $\lambda, \mu > 0$ if and only if $G(t)$ and $H(s)$ commute for all $t, s > 0$.

PROOF. This lemma is an immediate consequence of the representations

$$(12) \quad (\lambda + A)^{-1}x = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} G(t)x dt,$$

and

$$(13) \quad G(t)x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \exp(-tA(1 + n^{-1}A)^{-1})x.$$

(See Hille-Phillips [2], K. Yosida [7].)

We shall frequently use the following well-known fact.

LEMMA 2.4. Let (M_1, m_1) and (M_2, m_2) be σ -finite measure spaces. Then the integral operator

$$Kf(x) = \int_{M_2} K(x, y)f(y)m_2(dy)$$

is a bounded linear operator from $L^p(M_2, m_2)$ into $L^p(M_1, m_1)$, $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, if

$$\int |K(x, y)|m_1(dx), \quad \int |K(x, y)|m_2(dy) \leq C,$$

where C is a constant independent of x and y .

§3. Proof of Theorem 1 is given by a repeated application of the following

LEMMA 3.1. Let A_1, A_2 satisfy the conditions stated in Theorem 1. If $0 < \operatorname{Re} \alpha < \sigma_1$, then, for $x \in D_p^{(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)}(A_1, A_2)$,

$$(14) \quad \|A_1^\alpha x\|_{D_p^{(\tau_1, \tau_2)}(A_1, A_2)} \leq C \|x\|_{D_p^{(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)}(A_1, A_2)},$$

where $\rho = 1 - (\operatorname{Re} \alpha / \sigma_1)$, $\tau_1 = \rho \sigma_1$, and $\tau_2 = \rho \sigma_2$.

PROOF. Let $x \in D_p^{(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)}(A_1, A_2)$ be given. $x \in D(A_1^\alpha)$ and the inequality

$$\|A_1^\alpha x\|_{D_p^{1-\alpha}(A_1)} \leq C \|x\|_{D_p^{1-\alpha}(A_1)}$$

is already known (Komatsu [4]). Also,

$$A_1^\alpha x = \frac{\Gamma(m)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(m-\alpha)} \int_0^\infty \lambda^{\alpha-1} (A_1(\lambda + A_1)^{-1})^m x d\lambda \quad (m \text{ is an integer } > \sigma_1).$$

Operating $(A_2(\mu + A_2)^{-1})^n$ on both sides and taking norms, we have

$$(15) \quad \|\mu^{\tau_2}(A_2(\mu + A_2)^{-1})^n A_1^\tau x\| \leq f(\mu) + g(\mu),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mu) &= c_1 \int_{\mu^\gamma}^\infty \mu^{\tau_2} \lambda^{\operatorname{Re} \alpha - 1} \|(A_1(\lambda + A_1)^{-1})^m x\| d\lambda, \\ g(\mu) &= c_2 \int_0^{\mu^\tau} \mu^{\tau_2} \lambda^{\operatorname{Re} \alpha - 1} \|(A_2(\mu + A_2)^{-1})^n x\| d\lambda \\ &= c_2' \mu^{\tau_2 + \tau \operatorname{Re} \alpha} \|(A_2(\mu + A_2)^{-1})^n x\|. \end{aligned}$$

Now, taking $\tilde{\gamma} = \sigma_2/\sigma_1$, so that $\tau_2 + \tilde{\gamma} \operatorname{Re} \alpha = \sigma_2$, we obtain

$$(16) \quad \|g\|_{L_{\#}^p(R_+; X)} \leq c_3 \|x\|_{D_p^{\sigma_2}(A_2)}.$$

Setting

$$K(\mu, \lambda) = \begin{cases} \mu^{\tau_2} \lambda^{\operatorname{Re} \alpha - \sigma_1}, & \text{for } \lambda \geq \mu^\tau, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

we have

$$\int_0^\infty K(\mu, \lambda) \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{\sigma_1 - \operatorname{Re} \alpha}, \quad \int_0^\infty K(\mu, \lambda) \frac{d\mu}{\mu} = \frac{1}{\tau_2}$$

and

$$f(\mu) = c_1 \int_0^\infty K(\mu, \lambda) \lambda^{\sigma_1} \|(A_1(\lambda + A_1)^{-1})^m x\| \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda},$$

so that

$$(17) \quad \|f\|_{L_{\#}^p(R_+; X)} \leq c_4 \|\lambda^{\sigma_1} (A_1(\lambda + A_1)^{-1})^m x\|_{L_{\#}^p(R_+; X)} \leq c_4 \|x\|_{D_p^{\sigma_1}(A_1)}.$$

Combining (15), (16) and (17), we obtain

$$\|A_1^\tau x\|_{D_p^{\tau_2}(A_2)} \leq C \|x\|_{D_p^{(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)}(A_1, A_2)},$$

which completes the proof of the lemma.

§ 4. PROOF OF THEOREM 2. It is obvious that

$$S(p, \theta, X; p, \theta - 1, D^m) \subset S(p, \theta, X; p, \theta - 1, D(A_j^m)) = D_p^{\theta m}(A_j)$$

since D^m is contained in $D(A_j^m)$ (also see [4]).

Conversely, let $x \in D_p^{(\theta m, \dots, \theta m)}(A)$ be given. From the identity

$$(18) \quad \frac{d}{d\lambda} (F_{m, t}(\lambda)) = \lambda^{m n - 1} T(\lambda) S(\lambda)^{t-1} R(\lambda)^{m+t},$$

where

$$R(\lambda) = (\lambda + A_1)^{-1} \dots (\lambda + A_n)^{-1},$$

$$T(\lambda) := (\sum_j A_j) \lambda^{n-1} + 2(\sum_{j \neq k} A_j A_k) \lambda^{n-2} + \dots + n A_1 \cdots A_n,$$

$$S(\lambda) := (\sum_j A_j) \lambda^{n-1} + (\sum_{j \neq k} A_j A_k) \lambda^{n-2} + \dots + A_1 \cdots A_n,$$

and

$$F_{m,l}(\lambda) := \sum_{k=0}^{l-1} (-1)^k \binom{l-1}{k} \frac{\lambda^{m+n+k}}{m+k} R(\lambda)^{m+k},$$

which will be proved later on, it follows that

$$\int_1^N \lambda^{m+n-1} T(\lambda) S(\lambda)^{l-1} R(\lambda)^{m+l} x d\lambda = F_{m,l}(N)x - F_{m,l}(1)x.$$

Consequently, setting

$$u(\lambda) := \begin{cases} C \lambda^{m+n} T(\lambda) S(\lambda)^{l-1} R(\lambda)^{m+l} x & \text{for } \lambda \geq 1 \\ C m \lambda^m F_{m,l}(1)x & \text{for } \lambda < 1, \end{cases}$$

where

$$C := \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{l-1} (-1)^k \binom{l-1}{k} \frac{1}{m+k} \right\}^{-1} = m \binom{m+l-1}{l-1},$$

we find that

$$x = \int_0^\infty u(\lambda) \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda},$$

for $[N(N+A_j)^{-1}]^m x$ tends to x as $N \rightarrow \infty$. Therefore, it is sufficient to show that

$$\|\lambda^{\theta m - 1} A^{\beta} u(\lambda)\|_{L_{\beta}^p(R_+^n; X)} \leq C \|x\|_{D_p^{(\theta m, \dots, \theta m)}(A)}$$

is valid for all n -vectors $\beta = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)$ of non-negative integers with $|\beta| \leq m$. Since the inequality

$$\int_0^1 \|\lambda^{\theta m - 1} A^{\beta} u(\lambda)\|^p \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \leq \text{const.} \|x\|^p$$

is obvious, we only consider the integration over $1 \leq \lambda < \infty$. From the definition of $u(\lambda)$ and the facts

$$\|\lambda(\lambda + A_j)^{-1}\|, \|A_j(\lambda + A_j)^{-1}\| \leq M$$

we have

$$\lambda^{\theta m - 1} A^{\beta} u(\lambda) \leq C_1 \lambda^{\theta m} \sum_{|\alpha| = l} \|A^{\alpha} (\lambda + A_1)^{-\alpha_1} \cdots (\lambda + A_n)^{-\alpha_n} x\|.$$

Now, let l be an integer greater than θmn , then $\alpha_j > \theta m$ for some j . Since

$$\|A^{\alpha} (\lambda + A_1)^{-\alpha_1} \cdots (\lambda + A_n)^{-\alpha_n} x\| \leq M^{l-\alpha_j} \|A_j^{\alpha_j} (\lambda + A_j)^{-\alpha_j} x\|,$$

it follows that

$$\int_1^\infty \{\lambda^{\theta m} \|A^\alpha(\lambda + A_1)^{-\alpha_1} \dots (\lambda + A_n)^{-\alpha_n} x\|\}^p \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \leq C_2 \|x\|_{p, \theta^m(A_j)} .$$

Thus we have

$$\int_1^\infty \|\lambda^{\theta m-1} A^\beta u(\lambda)\|^p \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \leq C_3 \|x\|_{p, \theta^m, \dots, \theta^m(A)}^p ,$$

as we wished to show.

PROOF OF (18). Induction on l . For $l=1$, the identity can be shown from a simple calculation as follows :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{d\lambda} (\lambda^{m n} R(\lambda)^m) &= m n \lambda^{m n-1} R(\lambda)^m - \sum_{j=1}^n m \lambda^{m n} R(\lambda)^m (\lambda + A_j)^{-1} \\ &= m \lambda^{m n-1} T(\lambda) R(\lambda)^{m+1} . \end{aligned}$$

Assuming that the identity is valid for $l-1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{d\lambda} F_{m,l} &= \frac{d}{d\lambda} (F_{m,l-1} - F_{m+1,l-1}) \\ &= \lambda^{m n-1} T(\lambda) S(\lambda)^{l-2} R(\lambda)^{m+l-1} - \lambda^{m n+n-1} T(\lambda) S(\lambda)^{l-2} R(\lambda)^{m+1} \\ &= \lambda^{m n-1} T(\lambda) S(\lambda)^{l-2} \{(\lambda + A_1) \dots (\lambda + A_n) - \lambda^n\} R(\lambda)^{m+1} \\ &= \lambda^{m n-1} T(\lambda) S(\lambda)^{l-1} R(\lambda)^{m+1} , \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof of (18).

REMARK. Our proof also gives

$$D_p^{(\theta^m, \dots, \theta^m)}(A) = S(p, \theta, X; p, \theta-1, \prod_{j=1}^n D(A_j^m)) .$$

§ 5. PROOF OF THEOREM 3. First we shall show that

$$(19) \quad \|u^{-\alpha}(1 - G_j(u))^m x\|_{L_{\star}^p(R_+; X)} \leq C \| |t|^{-\alpha}(1 - G(t))^m x\|_{L_{\star}^p(R_+^n; X)} ,$$

for $j=1, \dots, n$. To this end we employ the following identity

$$(20) \quad \sum_{k=0}^m \binom{m}{k} (-1)^k \{(t^k - 1)^m u^{m-k} - (t^k - u)^m\} = 0 ,$$

which is verified as follows :

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^m \binom{m}{k} (-1)^k (t^k - 1)^m u^{m-k} &= \sum_{k=0}^m \binom{m}{k} (-1)^k \sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} (-1)^{m-j} t^{kj} u^{m-k} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} (-1)^j \sum_{k=0}^m \binom{m}{k} (-1)^{m-k} t^{jk} u^{m-k} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} (-1)^j (t^j - u)^m . \end{aligned}$$

Using (20) with u replaced by $G_1(u)$ and t replaced by $G_1(u)G(t)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \{1-G_1(u)\}^m = & \sum_{k=1}^m (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} \{ (G_1(ku)G(kt) - 1)^m G_1(mu - ku) \\ & - (G(kt)G_1(ku - u) - 1)^m G_1(mu) \}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, setting $f(t) = \|(1-G(t))^m x\|$, we obtain

$$\|(1-G_1(u))^m x\| \leq M \sum_{k=1}^m \binom{m}{k} \{ f(ku + kt_1, kt') + f(ku - u + kt_1, kt') \},$$

where $t' = (t_2, \dots, t_n)$. Integrating this inequality over $0 \leq t_1, \dots, t_n \leq u$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|(1-G_1(u))^m x\| & \leq \frac{M}{u^n} \sum_{k=1}^m \binom{m}{k} \int_0^u \dots \int_0^u \{ f(ku + kt_1, kt') + f(ku - u + kt_1, kt') \} dt, \\ & \leq \frac{cM}{u^n} \int_0^{2mu} \dots \int_0^{mu} f(t) dt. \end{aligned}$$

If we set

$$\begin{aligned} K(u, t) & = u^{-n-\sigma} |t|^{n+\sigma}, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t_1 \leq 2mu, 0 \leq t_2, \dots, t_n \leq mu, \\ & = 0, \quad \text{otherwise,} \end{aligned}$$

then $u^{-\sigma}$ times the right hand side of the above inequality is expressed as

$$cM \int K(u, t) |t|^{-\sigma} f(t) \frac{dt}{|t|^n},$$

so that its $L^p_*(R_+; X)$ -norm does not exceed

$$cC_2 M \| |t|^{-\sigma} f(t) \|_{L^p_*(R^*_+; X)},$$

since

$$\int_{R^*_+} K(u, t) \frac{dt}{|t|^n}, \quad \int_0^\infty K(u, t) \frac{du}{u} \leq C_2.$$

This completes the proof of (19) for $j=1$. The other cases are proved analogously.

If the right hand side of (19) is finite, then $u^{-\sigma}(1-G_j(u))^m x \in L^p_*(R_+; X)$, $j=1, \dots, n$, so that $x \in D_p^{(\sigma, \dots, \sigma)}(A)$ by [4] Theorem 4.3.

To prove the converse inequality

$$(21) \quad \| |t|^{-\sigma} (1-G(t))^m x \|_{L^p_*(R^*_+; X)} \leq C \| x \|_{D_p^{(\sigma, \dots, \sigma)}(A)}$$

it is sufficient to verify

$$(22) \quad \| |t|^{-\sigma} (1-G_1(t_1))^{k_1} \dots (1-G_n(t_n))^{k_n} x \|_{L^p_*(R^*_+; X)} \leq C \| x \|_{D_p^{(\sigma, \dots, \sigma)}(A)}$$

for any n -vector $k = (k_1, \dots, k_n)$ of non-negative integers with $|k| = k_1 + \dots + k_n = m$. Since $m > \sigma$, there exist real numbers $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ such that

$$\sigma = \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n, \quad 0 \leq \alpha_j \leq k_j, \quad j = 1, \dots, n,$$

and that at most one of them, say $0 < \alpha_1 < k_1$. From Lemma 2.2 and the fact that

$$1 - G_j(t_j) = A_j I_j(t_j), \quad I_j(s) = \int_0^s G_j(u) du,$$

it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Pi(1 - G_j(t_j))^{k_j} x\| &= \left\| \prod_{j=2}^n A_j^{k_j - \alpha_j} I_j(t_j)^{k_j} (1 - G_1(t_1))^{k_1} y \right\| \\ &\leq C_1 \prod_{j=2}^n t_j^{\alpha_j} \|(1 - G_1(t_1))^{k_1} y\|, \end{aligned}$$

where $y = A_2^{\alpha_2} \dots A_n^{\alpha_n} x$. Consequently, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\| |t|^{-\sigma} \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - G_j(t_j))^{k_j} x \|_{L^p_{*}(R^{n}_{+}; X)} \\ &\leq C_1 \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} \|(1 - G_1(t_1))^{k_1} y\|^p dt_1 \int_{R^{n}_{+}} \frac{t_2^{\alpha_2 p} \dots t_n^{\alpha_n p}}{|t|^{n + p\sigma}} dt' \right\}^{1/p} \\ &= C_2 \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} \|(1 - G_1(t_1))^{k_1} y\|^p t_1^{-p\alpha_1 - 1} dt_1 \right\}^{1/p} \\ &\leq C_3 \|y\|_{D^{\sigma}_{p^1}(A_1)} \quad (\text{see [4] Theorem 4.3}). \end{aligned}$$

But, by virtue of Theorem 1, it follows that

$$\|y\|_{D^{\sigma}_{p^1}(A_1)} \leq C_4 \|x\|_{D^{(\sigma, \dots, \sigma)}_{p^1}(A)},$$

and Theorem 3 is established.

§ 6. EXAMPLE. Let $X = L^q(R^n)$, $1 \leq q \leq \infty$, $G_j(t_j)\varphi(x) = \varphi(x_1, \dots, x_j - t_j, \dots, x_n)$. Then G_1, \dots, G_n satisfy the conditions stated in Theorem 3, and their generators are $-\partial/\partial x_1, \dots, -\partial/\partial x_n$. The space $D^{\sigma}_p(\partial/\partial x_j)$ is the space of all φ such that

$$(23) \quad \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} t^{-\sigma p - 1} \|\mathcal{A}^{\sigma}(te_j)\varphi\|_{L^q(R^n)}^p dt \right\}^{1/p} < \infty,$$

where $\mathcal{A}(a)\varphi(x) = \varphi(x) - \varphi(x - a)$, $e_1 = (1, 0, \dots, 0), \dots, e_n = (0, 0, \dots, 1)$. By virtue of [4] Theorem 2.6 (23) is equivalent with

$$(24) \quad \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} t^{-\alpha p - 1} \|\mathcal{A}^{\nu}(te_j) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \right)^{\nu} \varphi\|_{L^q(R^n)}^p dt \right\}^{1/p},$$

where $\alpha + \nu = \sigma$, $0 < \alpha \leq 1$, ν is an integer. Thus $D^{\sigma}_{p^1, \dots, p^n}(\partial/\partial x_1, \dots, \partial/\partial x_n)$ coincides with the Besov space $B^{\sigma}_{q, p^1, \dots, p^n}(R^n)$ (see Besov [1]), and (6)' is a special case of (6).

It is obvious that the space D^m in Theorem 2 for the present case is the Sobolev space $W_q^m(R^n)$, so that from Theorem 2 we have

$$B_{q,p}^{(\sigma^m, \dots, \sigma^m)}(R^n) = S(p, \theta, L^q; p, \theta-1, W_q^m(R^n)).$$

Finally, Theorem 3 gives us that the Besov space $B_{q,p}^{(\sigma, \dots, \sigma)}$ is identical with the Lipschitz space $\Lambda(\sigma; q, p; R^n)$ in the sense of Taibleson [6].

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