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# Almost periodic solutions of semilinear equations with analytic semigroups in Banach spaces \*

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#### Abstract

We establish the existence and uniqueness of almost periodic solutions of a class of semilinear equations having analytic semigroups. Our basic tool in this paper is the use of fractional powers of operators.

## 1 Introduction

The existence of almost periodic solutions of abstract differential equations has been considered in several works; see for example [1, 2, 4, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15] and reference listed therein. There is also an extensive literature for the same question in semilinear equations. Most of these works are concerned with equation

$$x'(t) + Ax(t) = f(t, x(t)),$$
(1.1)

where f is uniformly almost periodic and -A is the infinitesimal generator of a  $C_0$ -semigroup [3, 13, 14, 15]. Ballotti, Goldstein and Parrott [4] gave necessary and sufficient conditions for the existence of almost periodic solutions of the equation

$$x'(t) = A(t)x(t),$$

where A(t) is the generator of a  $C_0$  semigroup on a Banach space. These authors used the mean ergodic theorem. Zaidman [12] proved the existence and uniqueness of an almost periodic mild solution of the inhomogeneous equation

$$x'(t) + Ax(t) = g(t), (1.2)$$

where -A is the infinitesimal generator of a  $C_0$  semigroup S(t) satisfying the exponential stability, and g is almost periodic function from  $\mathbb{R}$  into X. In this case, the solution is  $x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{t} S(t - \sigma)g(\sigma)d\sigma$ . When A generates a  $C_0$  semigroup S(t) satisfying the exponential stability and f is uniformly Lipschitz continuous with a Lipschitz constant small enough, existence and uniqueness of an almost periodic mild solution of (1.1) was proved in [13].

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In this paper, we consider the semilinear equation (1.1) when -A is the infinitesimal generator of an analytic  $C_0$  semigroup S(t) satisfying the exponential stability. We investigate whether or not the classical solution inherits uniform almost periodicity from f. We proposed a new method for proving existence whose main component is the use of fractional powers of operators. More precisely, we assume that the function  $f : \mathbb{R} \times X_{\alpha} \to X$  satisfies the hypothesis:

(F) There are numbers  $L \ge 0$  and  $0 \le \theta \le 1$  such that  $|f(t_1, x_1) - f(t_2, x_2)| \le L(|t_1 - t_2|^{\theta} + |x_1 - x_2|_{\alpha})$  for all  $(t_1, x_1)$   $(t_2, x_2)$  in  $\mathbb{R} \times X_{\alpha}$ ,

where X is a real or complex Banach space with norm  $|\cdot|$ ,  $A^{\alpha}$  is the fractional power, and  $X_{\alpha}$  is the Banach space  $D(A^{\alpha})$  endowed with the norm  $|x|_{\alpha} = |A^{\alpha}x|$ . We prove first that the map

$$T\varphi(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{t} A^{\alpha}S(t-\sigma)f(\sigma,A^{-\alpha}\varphi(\sigma))d\sigma$$

is a strict contraction. Then we prove the existence of an almost periodic classical solution over  $\mathbb{R}$  of (1.1). See Theorem 3.1 below. Our main theorem complements the results in [13] by considering almost periodic classical solutions instead of almost periodic mild solutions.

Our work is organized as follows. Section 2 is devoted to a review of some results on fractional powers of operators and almost periodic functions with values in a Banach space. In section 3, we state and prove our main result. The last section is devoted to giving an example of a function satisfying hypothesis (F).

## 2 Preliminary results

Throughout this work, we use the following notation: X denotes a real or complex Banach space endowed with the norm  $|\cdot|$  and  $\mathcal{L}(X)$  stands for the Banach algebra of bounded linear operators defined on X. For A a linear operator with domain D(A), we denote by  $\mathcal{R}(A)$  the range of A.

#### Fractional powers of operators

We start by a brief outline of the theory of fractional powers as developed in [6, 10]. Let -A is the infinitesimal generator of an analytic semigroup in a Banach space and  $0 \in \rho(A)$ . For  $\alpha > 0$  we define the fractional power  $A^{-\alpha}$  by

$$A^{-\alpha} = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\infty t^{\alpha - 1} S(t) dt$$

Since  $A^{-\alpha}$  is one to one,  $A^{\alpha} = (A^{-\alpha})^{-1}$ .

For  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ,  $A^{\alpha}$  is a closed linear operator whose domain  $D(A^{\alpha}) \supset D(A)$  is dense in X. The closedness of  $A^{\alpha}$  implies that  $D(A^{\alpha})$  endowed with the graph norm

$$|x|_{D(A)} = |x| + |A^{\alpha}x|, \quad x \in D(A^{\alpha})$$

is a Banach space. Since  $0 \in \rho(A)$ ,  $A^{\alpha}$  is invertible, and its graph norm is equivalent to the norm  $|x|_{\alpha} = |A^{\alpha}x|$ . Thus  $D(A^{\alpha})$  equipped with the norm  $|\cdot|_{\alpha}$  is a Banach space which we denote  $X_{\alpha}$ .

**Lemma 2.1** Let -A be the infinitesimal generator of an analytic semigroup S(t). If  $0 \in \rho(A)$  then

- (a)  $S(t): X \to D(A^{\alpha})$  for every t > 0 and  $\alpha \ge 0$
- (b) For every  $x \in D(A^{\alpha})$ , we have  $S(t)A^{\alpha}x = A^{\alpha}S(t)x$
- (c) For every t > 0 the operator  $A^{\alpha}S(t)$  is bounded and  $|A^{\alpha}S(t)|_{\mathcal{L}(X)} \leq M_{\alpha}t^{-\alpha}e^{-\delta t}$
- (d) For  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$  and  $x \in D(A^{\alpha})$ , we have  $|S(t)x x| \leq C_{\alpha}t^{\alpha}|A^{\alpha}x|$ .

For more details, see [10, section 2.6].

### Almost periodic functions in Banach spaces

The theory of almost periodic functions with values in a Banach space was developed by H. Bohr, S. Bochner, J. von Neumann, and others; cf., e.g., [1, 5]. From their results, we will mention several results which will be used in this work.

Let  $C_b(\mathbb{R}, X)$  denote the usual Banach space of bounded continuous functions from  $\mathbb{R}$  into X under the supremum norm  $|\cdot|_{\infty}$ . Given a function  $f: \mathbb{R} \to X$ and  $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$ , we define the  $\omega$ -translate of f as  $f_{\omega}(t) = f(t + \omega), t \in \mathbb{R}$ . We will denote by  $H(f) = \{f_{\omega} : \omega \in \mathbb{R}\}$  the set of all translates of f.

**Definition.** (Bochner's characterization of almost periodicity) A function  $f \in C_b(\mathbb{R}, X)$  is said to be almost periodic if and only if H(f) is relatively compact in  $C_b(\mathbb{R}, X)$ .

Of course, almost periodic functions can as well be characterized in terms of relatively dense sets in  $\mathbb{R}$  of  $\tau$ -almost periods.

**Definition.** A function  $f : R \to X$  is called almost periodic if

- (i) f is continuous, and
- (ii) for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $l(\varepsilon) > 0$ , such that every interval I of length  $l(\varepsilon)$  contains a number  $\tau$  such that  $|f(t+\tau) f(t)| < \varepsilon$  for all  $t \in R$ .

Let Y denote a Banach space and  $\Omega$  an open subset of Y.

**Definition.** A continuous function  $f : \mathbb{R} \times \Omega \to X$  is called uniformly almost periodic if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  and every compact set  $K \subset \Omega$  there exists a relatively dense set  $P_{\varepsilon}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $|f(t + \tau, x) - f(t, x)| \le \varepsilon$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}, \tau \in P_{\varepsilon}$  and all  $y \in K$ .

The following is essential for our results and is proven in [11, Theorem I.2.7].

**Lemma 2.2** Let  $f : R \times \Omega \to X$  be uniformly almost periodic and  $y : R \to \Omega$  be an almost periodic function such that  $\overline{\mathcal{R}(y)} \subset \Omega$ , then the function  $t \to f(t, y(t))$ also is almost periodic.

We are now in position to state and prove the main result of this paper.

## 3 Main Result

**Definition.** A function  $x : [0, T[ \to X \text{ is a (classical) solution of (1.1) on } [0, T[ if x is continuous on <math>[0, T[$ , continuously differentiable on ]0, T[,  $x(t) \in D(A)$  for 0 < t < T and (1.1) is satisfied.

**Definition.** A continuous solution x of the integral equation

$$x(t) = S(t - t_0)x(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t S(t - \sigma)f(\sigma, x(\sigma))d\sigma$$
(3.1)

will be called a mild solution of (1.1).

**Remark.** When A generates a semigroup with negative exponent, it is easy to see that if x(.) is a bounded mild solution of (1.1) on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Then we can take the limit as  $t_0 \to -\infty$  on the right-hand of (3.1) to obtain

$$x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{t} S(t-\sigma)f(\sigma, x(\sigma))d\sigma.$$
(3.2)

Conversely, if x(.) is a bounded continuous function and (3.2) is verified, then x(.) is a mild solution of (1.1).

The main result of this paper is the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.1** Let -A be the infinitesimal generator of an analytic semigroup  $\{S(t)\}_{t\geq 0}$  satisfying  $|S(t)|_{\mathcal{L}(X)} \leq M \exp(\beta t)$ , for all t > 0 ( $\beta < 0$ ). If  $f : \mathbb{R} \times X \to X$  is uniformly almost periodic and f satisfies the assumption (F) Then for L sufficiently small enough, there exists one and only one almost periodic solution over  $\mathbb{R}$  of the semilinear equation (1.1).

**Remark.** Assumption (F) is commonly used for this type of equations, as seen in [9, 10]).

In the proof of our main result, we will need the following technical lemma.

**Lemma 3.2** If  $g : \mathbb{R} \to X$  is almost periodic and locally Hölder continuous, then there exists one and only one almost periodic (classical) solution over  $\mathbb{R}$  of the equation (1.2). The solution is  $x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{t} S(t - \sigma)g(\sigma)d\sigma$ . **Proof.** In [12], it is proved the existence of the almost periodic mild solution of (1.2). It is known, see [10], that in the case of Hölder continuity of g and if A generates an analytic semigroup, then the mild solution is a classical solution of the differential equation (1.2).

We define the set

$$AP(X) = \{ \varphi : \mathbb{R} \to X, \ \varphi \text{ is almost periodic } \}$$

with the usual supremum norm over  $\mathbb{R}$  which we denote by  $|\cdot|_{\infty}$ . On the set AP(X), we define a mapping

$$T\varphi(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{t} A^{\alpha} S(t-\sigma) f(\sigma, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(\sigma)) d\sigma$$
(3.3)

First, we show that T is well defined. Let  $\varphi \in AP(X)$ , using a standard properties of the almost-periodicity, we have

$$N = \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} |f(t, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(t))| < \infty.$$

by Lemma 2.1.c, we have

$$|T\varphi(t)| \le M_{\alpha} N \int_{-\infty}^{t} (t-\sigma)^{-\alpha} \exp(-\delta(t-\sigma)) d\sigma.$$

With the change variable  $s = t - \sigma$ , we obtain

$$|T\varphi(t)| \le M_{\alpha}N \int_{0}^{+\infty} s^{-\alpha} \exp(-\delta s) ds$$

which shows that  $T\varphi$  exists.

**Lemma 3.3** The operator T is well defined, and maps AP(X) into itself.

**Proof.** For  $\varphi \in AP(X)$ , it follows from Lemma 2.2 that  $t \to f(t, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(t))$  is almost periodic. Hence, for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a set  $P_{\varepsilon}$  relatively dense in  $\mathbb{R}$  such that

$$|f(t+\tau, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(t+\tau)) - f(t, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(t))| \le \varepsilon$$

for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\tau \in P_{\varepsilon}$ . Therefore, the map T defined by (3.3) satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} |T\varphi(t+\tau) - T\varphi(t)| \\ &= \left| \int_{-\infty}^{t+\tau} A^{\alpha} S(t+\tau-\sigma) f(\sigma, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(\sigma)) d\sigma \right| \\ &- \int_{-\infty}^{t} A^{\alpha} S(t-\sigma) f(\sigma, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(\sigma)) d\sigma \right| \\ &= \left| \int_{-\infty}^{t} A^{\alpha} S(t-\sigma) f(\sigma+\tau, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(\sigma+\tau)) d\sigma \right| \\ &- \int_{-\infty}^{t} A^{\alpha} S(t-\sigma) f(\sigma, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(\sigma)) d\sigma \right| \\ &\leq \int_{-\infty}^{t} |A^{\alpha} S(t-\sigma)|_{\mathcal{L}(X)}| f(\sigma+\tau, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(\sigma+\tau)) - f(\sigma, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(\sigma))| d\sigma \\ &\leq \varepsilon M_{\alpha} \int_{-\infty}^{t} (t-\sigma)^{-\alpha} \exp(-\delta(t-\sigma)) d\sigma \end{aligned}$$

Which shows that the function  $T\varphi$  also is almost periodic and that  $T: AP(X) \rightarrow AP(X)$ .

**Proof of Theorem 3.1** Consider the mapping from the Banach space AP(X) into itself defined by

$$T\varphi = \psi(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{t} A^{\alpha} S(t-\sigma) f(\sigma, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(\sigma)) d\sigma.$$

We will show that T has a fixed point. Let  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in AP(X)$ . Then

$$|T\varphi_1(t) - T\varphi_2(t)| \le \int_{-\infty}^t |A^{\alpha}S(t-\sigma)|_{\mathcal{L}(X)}|f(\sigma, A^{-\alpha}\varphi_1(\sigma)) - f(\sigma, A^{-\alpha}\varphi_2(\sigma))|d\sigma.$$

From assumption (F), we have

$$|T\varphi_1(t) - T\varphi_2(t)| \le L|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2|_{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^t |A^{\alpha}S(t-\sigma)|_{\mathcal{L}(X)} d\sigma$$
$$\le L|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2|_{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^t (t-\sigma)^{-\alpha} \exp(-\delta(t-\sigma)) d\sigma$$

and by the change of variable  $s = t - \sigma$ , we have

$$|T\varphi_1 - T\varphi_2|_{\infty} \leq LM_{\alpha}|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2|_{\infty} \int_0^{+\infty} s^{-\alpha} e^{-\delta s} ds$$
$$= LM_{\alpha} \delta^{\alpha} \Gamma(1-\alpha) |\varphi_1 - \varphi_2|_{\infty},$$

where  $\Gamma(.)$  is the classical gamma function. We use the well known identity

$$\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(1-\alpha) = \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi \alpha}$$
 for  $0 < \alpha < 1$ .

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Then, we can deduce that T is a strict contraction, provided L is sufficiently small,  $L < \frac{\sin \pi \alpha}{\alpha} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{M_{\alpha} \delta^{\alpha}}$ . By the contraction mapping theorem there exists  $\varphi \in AP(X)$  such that

$$\varphi = \int_{-\infty}^{t} A^{\alpha} S(t-\sigma) f(\sigma, A^{-\alpha} \varphi(\sigma)) d\sigma.$$
(3.4)

Since  $A^{\alpha}$  is closed,

$$\varphi = A^{\alpha} \int_{-\infty}^{t} S(t - \sigma) f(\sigma, A^{-\alpha} \varphi(\sigma)) d\sigma.$$
(3.5)

Applying the operator  $A^{-\alpha}$  on both sides of (3.5),

$$A^{-\alpha}\varphi = \int_{-\infty}^{t} S(t-\sigma)f(\sigma, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(\sigma))d\sigma.$$
(3.6)

Next, we show that  $t \to f(t, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(t))$  is Hölder continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$ . To this end we show first that the solution  $\varphi$  of (3.6) is Hölder continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$ . By Lemma 2.1.d We note that for every  $\beta$  satisfying  $0 < \beta < 1 - \alpha$  and for every h > 0, we have

$$|(S(h) - I)A^{\alpha}S(t - \sigma)| \le C_{\beta}h^{\beta}|A^{\alpha + \beta}S(t - \sigma)|$$
(3.7)

and

$$\begin{aligned} |\varphi(t+h) - \varphi(t)| &\leq \left| \int_{-\infty}^{t} (S(h) - I) A^{\alpha} S(t-\sigma) f(\sigma, A^{-\alpha} \varphi(\sigma)) d\sigma \right| \\ &+ \left| \int_{t}^{t+h} A^{\alpha} S(t+h-\sigma) f(\sigma, A^{-\alpha} \varphi(\sigma)) d\sigma \right| \end{aligned}$$
(3.8)

Let  $K = A^{-\alpha}\varphi(\mathbb{R})$  and  $N = \sup_{(t,x)\in\mathbb{R}\times K} |f(t,x)|$ . Clearly K is compact. Using Lemma 2.1.c and (3.7) we can estimate each of the terms of (3.8) separately:

$$\left| \int_{-\infty}^{t} (S(h) - I) A^{\alpha} S(t - \sigma) f(\sigma, A^{-\alpha} \varphi(\sigma)) d\sigma \right|$$
  
$$\leq M_{\alpha + \beta} N C_{\beta} h^{\beta} \int_{-\infty}^{t} (t - \sigma)^{-(\alpha + \beta)} \exp(-\delta(t - \sigma)) d\sigma.$$

By Lemma 2.1.c,

$$\left|\int_{t}^{t+h} A^{\alpha} S(t+h-\sigma) f(\sigma, A^{-\alpha} \varphi(\sigma)) d\sigma\right| \leq M_{\alpha} N \int_{t}^{t+h} (t+h-\sigma)^{-\alpha} d\sigma$$
$$\leq M_{\alpha} N \frac{h^{1-\alpha}}{1-\alpha}.$$

Combining (3.10) with these estimates, it follows that there is a constant  ${\cal C}$  such that

$$|\varphi(t+h) - \varphi(t)| \le Ch^{\beta}$$

and therefore  $\varphi$  is Hölder continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Finally, it remains to proved that  $t \to f(t, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(t))$  is Hölder continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$ . From assumption (F) we have

$$|f(t, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(t)) - f(s, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(s))| \le L(|t-s|^{\theta} + |\varphi(t) - \varphi(s)|);$$

therefore,  $t \to f(t, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(t))$  is Hölder continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Let  $\varphi$  be the solution of (3.4) and consider the equation

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} + Ax(t) = f(t, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(t)).$$
(3.9)

From Lemma 3.2 this equation has a unique solution given by

$$\psi(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{t} S(t-\sigma) f(\sigma, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(\sigma)) d\sigma.$$
(3.10)

Moreover, we have  $\psi(t) \in D(A)$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  and a fortiori  $\psi(t) \in D(A^{\alpha})$ . Applying the operator  $A^{\alpha}$  on both sides of (3.10), we have

$$A^{\alpha}\psi(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{t} A^{\alpha}S(t-\sigma)f(\sigma, A^{-\alpha}\varphi(\sigma))d\sigma = \varphi(t)$$
(3.11)

From (3.9) and (3.11) we readily see that  $\psi(t) = A^{-\alpha}\varphi(t)$  is solution of (1.1). The uniqueness of  $\psi$  follows easily from the uniqueness of the solution of (3.4) and (3.9). Therefore, the proof of Theorem 3.1 is complete.

## 4 Example

Let  $X = L^2((0, 1); \mathbb{R})$  and

$$Au = -u''$$
 with  $u \in D(A) = \{u \in H_0^1((0,1);\mathbb{R}); u'' \in X\}.$  (4.1)

Then A is self-adjoint, with compact resolvent and is the infinitesimal generator of an analytic semigroup S(t). We take  $\alpha = 1/2$ , that is  $X_{1/2} = (D(A^{1/2}), |\cdot|_{1/2})$ . Define the function  $f : \mathbb{R} \times X_{1/2} \to X$ , by f(t, u) = h(t)g(u') for each  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $u \in X_{1/2}$ , where  $h : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  is almost periodic in  $\mathbb{R}$  and there exist  $k_1 > 0$  and  $\theta \in ]0, 1[$  such that

$$|h(t) - h(s)| \le k_1 |t - s|^{\theta}, \quad \text{for all } t, s \in \mathbb{R}.$$
(4.2)

and  $g:X\to X$  is Lipschitz continuous on X. Concrete example of the function g are

$$g(u) = \sin(u), \quad g(u) = ku, \quad g(u) = \arctan(u)$$

We give first some known results for the operators A and  $A^{1/2}$  defined by (4.1). Let  $u \in D(A)$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , such that  $Au = -u'' = \lambda u$ ; that is,

$$u'' + \lambda u = 0 \tag{4.3}$$

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We have  $\langle Au, u \rangle = \langle \lambda u, u \rangle$ ; that is,

$$\langle -u'', u \rangle = |u'|_{L^2}^2 = \lambda |u|_{L^2}^2$$

so  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^*_+$ . The solutions of (4.3) have the form

$$u(x) = C\cos(\sqrt{\lambda}x) + D\sin(\sqrt{\lambda}x)$$

we have u(0) = u(1), so, C = 0 and  $\sqrt{\lambda} = n\pi$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ . Put  $\lambda_n = n^2 \pi^2$ . The solutions of equation (4.3) are

$$u_n(x) = D\sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x), \ n \in \mathbb{N}^*$$

We have  $\langle u_n, u_m \rangle = 0$ , for  $n \neq m$  and  $\langle u_n, u_n \rangle = 1$ . So  $D = \sqrt{2}$  and

$$u_n(x) = \sqrt{2}\sin(\sqrt{\lambda_n}x).$$

For  $u \in D(A)$ , there exists a sequence of reals  $(\alpha_n)$  such that

$$u(x) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*} \alpha_n u_n(x),$$
$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*} (\alpha_n)^2 < +\infty, \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*} (\lambda_n)^2 (\alpha_n)^2 < +\infty$$

We have

$$A^{1/2}u(x) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*} \sqrt{\lambda_n} \alpha_n u_n(x)$$

with  $u \in D(A^{1/2})$ ; that is,  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*} (\alpha_n)^2 < +\infty$  and  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*} \lambda_n(\alpha_n)^2 < +\infty$ . We show now that f satisfies the hypothesis (F). In fact, for  $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  and

We show now that f satisfies the hypothesis (F). In fact, for  $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $u_1, u_2 \in X_{1/2}$ , we have

$$\begin{split} f(t_1, u_1) - f(t_2, u_2) =& h(t_1)g(u_1') - h(t_2)g(u_2') \\ =& [h(t_1) - h(t_2)]g(u_1') + h(t_2)[g(u_1') - g(u_2')] \end{split}$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} |f(t_1, u_1) - f(t_2, u_2)|_{L^2} &\leq |h(t_1) - h(t_2)||g(u_1')|_{L^2} + |h(t_2)||g(u_1') - g(u_2')|_{L^2} \\ &\leq |g|_{\infty}|h(t_1) - h(t_2)| + |g|_{\text{Lip}}|h(t_2)||u_1' - u_2'|_{L^2}. \end{aligned}$$

$$(4.4)$$

Since h is almost periodic, there exists  $k_2 > 0$ , such that

$$|h(t_2)| \le k_2 \tag{4.5}$$

Therefore, from (4.2), (4.4), (4.5), and the fact that g(u') is Lipschitz on  $X_{1/2}$  (see for instance [8, p. 75]), we have

$$|f(t_1, u_1) - f(t_2, u_2)|_X \leq k_1 |g|_{\infty} |t_1 - t_2|^{\theta} + k_2 |g|_{Lip} |u_1 - u_2|_{1/2}$$
  
$$\leq L(|t_1 - t_2|^{\theta} + |u_1 - u_2|_{1/2}).$$

Therefore, f satisfies the hypothesis (F), with  $L = \max(k_1|g|_{\infty}, k_2|g|_{\text{Lip}})$ .

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