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Teoria dei controlli. — *On the closure of the attainable set in infinite dimensional control theory.* Nota di MARIELLA CECCHI BARONI e ANGELA SELVAGGI PRIMICERIO, presentata (*) dal Socio G. SANSONE.

Riassunto. — Si considera un problema di controllo in spazi di Banach X, Y relativamente alle condizioni di chiusura per l'insieme raggiungibile in X . Si esamina in particolare il caso: X spazio di Hilbert e $Y = L^\infty(O, T : U)$ con U spazio di Hilbert.

I. Let X, Y be two Banach spaces. Following [1], a control process in such spaces is a function x of $(t, u, v) \in [0, T] \times Y \times X$ in X defined by

$$(P) \quad x(t, u, v) = G(t, 0)v + \int_0^t G(t, s)B(s)u(s)ds$$

where v is a given point of X , $u = (t \rightarrow u(t))$ belongs to Y , $(t \rightarrow B(t))$ belongs to the space $\mathcal{L}[Y, X]$ of all linear continuous operators from Y to X , and $G: ((t, s) \rightarrow G(t, s))$ is the evolution operator generated by some function $A: (t \rightarrow A(t))$ of $t \in [0, T]$ into the space of linear (possibly unbounded) operators in X . So G is a function defined for $0 \leq s \leq t \leq T$ into $\mathcal{L}[X, X]$ with the properties:

G is strongly continuous in (t, s)

$G(t, s)G(s, r) = G(t, r) \quad 0 \leq r \leq s \leq t \leq T$

$G(s, s) =$ the identity of $\mathcal{L}[X, X]$

$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}G(t, s) = A(t)G(t, s) \quad \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \text{ is the strong derivative} \right).$

The equality holds a.e. in $[s, T]$ for every $s \in [0, T]$.

Under suitable assumptions ([2]), (P) is the integral form of a linear evolution equation:

$$\dot{x}(t) - A(t)x(t) = B(t)u(t) \quad \left(\cdot = \frac{d}{dt} \right)$$

with the initial condition: $x(0) = v$.

Let us define the mapping $\Lambda: Y \rightarrow X$ by

$$\Lambda u = \int_0^T G(T, s)B(s)u(s)ds$$

and consider a subset \mathfrak{A} of Y and the set of attainability:

$$\Gamma = \Lambda \mathfrak{A} + G(T, 0)v.$$

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$G(T, O)$ is a point, therefore properties of Γ , in particular its closure can be investigated through the analysis of $\Lambda\mathcal{A}$.

2. Let U be a Banach space and let $L^p(O, T; U)$ denote the Banach space of all U -valued Bochner strongly measurable functions [4] defined a.e. in $[O, T]$ such that:

$$\|f\| = \left(\int_0^T |f(t)|_U^p dt \right)^{1/p} < \infty, \quad \text{if } 1 < p < \infty$$

$$\|f\| = \text{ess. sup.} \{ |f(t)|_U : t \in [O, T] \} < \infty, \quad \text{if } p = \infty.$$

From now on, we assume:

$$(R) \quad L^p(O, T; U) = (L^{p'}(O, T; U'))' \quad 1 < p \leq \infty.$$

The mapping $\Lambda : u \rightarrow \int_0^T G(T, s) B(s) u(s) ds$ is linear and continuous; con-

sequently $\Lambda\mathcal{A}$ is a closed bounded convex set of X if $Y = L^p(O, T; U)$, $1 < p < \infty$, and if \mathcal{A} is a bounded closed convex set of Y ([1], Th. 2, p. 47).

On the other hand, if $Y = L^\infty(O, T; U)$ the closure of $\Lambda\mathcal{A}$ in X can be proved, provided that \mathcal{A} is bounded (convex) and closed in the $L^1(O, T; U')$ -topology of $L^\infty(O, T; U)$, and that Λ is continuous in the $L^1(O, T; U')$ -topology of $L^\infty(O, T; U)$ and in the weak-topology of X ([1], Th. 2'', p. 48). Such continuity of Λ follows at once if X and U are finite-dimensional Banach spaces. In this note we want to show that Λ is continuous in the same sense when X and U are Hilbert spaces.

3. First, we need some preliminary remarks.

Let X, Y be the conjugate spaces of two Banach spaces: $Y = V^*$, $X = Z^*$. It is easily seen that $\Lambda\mathcal{A}$ is closed if \mathcal{A} is bounded (convex) and closed in the V -topology of Y and if Λ is continuous in the V -topology of Y and in the Z -topology of X . This means that $\Lambda = S^*$, where S is a linear strongly continuous mapping from Z to V ([3], 5 sec. 21.5).

Now we can prove the following:

THEOREM. *Let X, U be two Hilbert spaces, and $Y = L^\infty(O, T; U)$. Let $B \in L^1(O, T; \mathcal{L}[U, X])$. Then, if \mathcal{A} is a subset (convex and) bounded of $L^\infty(O, T; U)$ and if \mathcal{A} is closed in the $L^1(O, T; U)$ -topology of $L^\infty(O, T; U)$, the attainable set for the process (P) is (bounded convex and) closed in X .*

Proof. Note that, since U is a Hilbert space, (R) holds, i.e.: $L^\infty(O, T; U) = (L^1(O, T; U))'$; so, according to the foregoing remarks, it suffices to prove that $\Lambda = S^*$, where S is a linear continuous mapping from X to $L^1(O, T; U)$. The mapping $(s \rightarrow G(T, s))$ belongs to the space $C(O, T; \mathcal{L}[X, X])$ of all $\mathcal{L}[X, X]$ -valued continuous functions defined on $[O, T]$. Hence

$(s \rightarrow G(T, s) B(s))$ belongs to $L^1(O, T; \mathcal{L}[U, X])$, and $(s \rightarrow B^*(s) G^*(T, s))$ belongs to $L^1(O, T; \mathcal{L}[X, U])$.

Let us consider the mapping:

$$S : x \rightarrow Sx = (s \rightarrow B^*(s) G^*(T, s) x)$$

from $x \in X$. Such mapping is linear and continuous and its range is in $L^1(O, T; U)$. In fact:

$$\int_0^T \|B^*(s) G^*(T, s) x\|_U ds \leq \|x\|_X \int_0^T \|B^*(s) G^*(T, s)\|_{\mathcal{L}[X, U]} ds.$$

Let us prove that $\Lambda = S^*$, i.e.:

$$\langle Sx, u \rangle = \langle x, \Lambda u \rangle \quad \forall x \in X, \quad \forall u \in (L^1(O, T; U))' = L^\infty(O, T; U).$$

Since X, U are Hilbert spaces, from the properties of Bochner-integral ([4]), we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Sx, u \rangle &= \int_0^T \langle B^*(s) G^*(T, s) x, u(s) \rangle ds = \\ &= \int_0^T \langle \tilde{x}, G(T, s) B(s) u(s) \rangle ds = \langle x, \int_0^T G(T, s) B(s) u(s) ds \rangle = \\ &= \langle x, \Lambda u \rangle \quad \forall x \in X, \quad \forall u \in (L^1(O, T; U))'. \end{aligned}$$

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