

On the abstract linear evolution equations in Banach spaces

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§ 0. Introduction.

The objective of the present paper is to construct the evolution operator associated with an evolution equation

$$(E) \quad du/dt + A(t)u = f(t)$$

in a Banach space X . Here $u = u(t)$ and $f(t)$ are functions on $[0, T]$ to X and $A(t)$ is a function on $[0, T]$ to the set of linear operators acting in X . We assume (E) is of parabolic type, that is, $-A(t)$ are all infinitesimal generators of analytic semi-groups of bounded linear operators on X .

This problem has been considered already in many papers, for instance, [1], [2] and [3]. The main assumption of [1] is that the inequality

$$\|A(t)^\rho dA(t)^{-1}/dt\| \leq N \quad (0.1)$$

is valid with some constant $\rho \in (0, 1]$; and those of [2] are that the inequality of the form

$$\begin{aligned} & \|A(t)(\lambda - A(t))^{-1}(dA(t)^{-1}/dt)A(t)(\lambda - A(t))^{-1}\| \\ & = \|\partial/\partial t(\lambda - A(t))^{-1}\| \leq N/|\lambda|^\rho \end{aligned} \quad (0.2)$$

is valid with some constant $\rho \in (0, 1]$ and $dA(t)^{-1}/dt$ is Hölder continuous. In [3] the following conditions are assumed: the domain of $A(t)^\rho$ is independent of t for some $\rho = 1/m$ where m is a positive integer, and $A(t)^\rho A(0)^{-\rho}$ is Hölder continuous in t .

In this paper we assume the inequality

$$\|A(t)(\lambda - A(t))^{-1}dA(t)^{-1}/dt\| \leq N/|\lambda|^\rho \quad (0.3)$$

with a constant $\rho \in (0, 1]$. This inequality (0.3) is slightly weaker than the inequality (0.1), for (0.1) implies (0.3) by the equation

$$A(t)(\lambda - A(t))^{-1}dA(t)^{-1}/dt = A(t)^{1-\rho}(\lambda - A(t))^{-1}A(t)^\rho dA(t)^{-1}/dt$$

and the estimation

$$\|A(t)^{1-\rho}(\lambda - A(t))^{-1}\| \leq M/|\lambda|^\rho.$$