

## 24. Fractional Powers of Infinitesimal Generators and the Analyticity of the Semi-groups Generated by Them

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1. Consider a one-parameter semi-group of bounded linear operators  $T_t(t \geq 0)$  on a Banach space  $X$  into  $X$ :

$$(1) \quad T_t T_s = T_{t+s}, \quad T_0 = I \text{ (the identity operator),}$$

$$(2) \quad \text{strong-lim}_{t \rightarrow t_0} T_t x = T_{t_0} x, \quad x \in X,$$

$$(3) \quad \sup_t \|T_t\| < \infty.$$

The infinitesimal generator  $A$  of the semi-group  $T_t$  is defined by

$$(4) \quad Ax = \text{strong-lim}_{h \downarrow 0} h^{-1}(T_h - I)x.$$

It is known that  $A$  is a closed linear operator whose domain  $D(A)$  is strongly dense in  $X$ . A fractional power

$$(5) \quad -(-A)^\alpha, \quad (0 < \alpha < 1),$$

of  $A$  was defined by S. Bochner<sup>2)</sup> and R. S. Phillips<sup>3)</sup> as the infinitesimal generator of the semi-group

$$(6) \quad \hat{T}_t x = \hat{T}_{t,\alpha} x = \int_0^\infty T_\lambda x d\gamma_{t,\alpha}(\lambda),$$

where the measure  $d\gamma_{t,\alpha}(\lambda) \geq 0$  is defined through the Laplace integral

$$(7) \quad \exp(-ta^\alpha) = \int_0^\infty \exp(-\lambda a) d\gamma_{t,\alpha}(\lambda), \quad (t, a > 0 \text{ and } 0 < \alpha < 1).$$

The purpose of the present note is to prove that this semi-group  $\hat{T}_t = \hat{T}_{t,\alpha}$  is analytic in  $t$ ,<sup>4)</sup> or more precisely, that  $\hat{T}_t$  belongs to the class of semi-groups introduced in a previous note.<sup>5)</sup>

*For any  $x \in X$  and for any  $t > 0$ ,  $\hat{T}_t x = \hat{T}_{t,\alpha} x$  is strongly differentiable in  $t$ , and  $\hat{T}'_t x = \text{strong-lim}_{h \downarrow 0} h^{-1}(\hat{T}_{t+h} - \hat{T}_t)x$  satisfies*

1) Dedicated to Prof. Zyoiti Suetuna on his 60th Birthday.

2) Diffusion equations and stochastic processes, Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci., **35**, 369-370 (1949).

3) On the generation of semi-groups of linear operators, Pacific J. Math., **2**, 343-369 (1952).

4) Originally the author proved the analyticity for the case  $0 < \alpha \leq 1/2$ . It was communicated to Prof. Tosio Kato, and he has proved the analyticity for the case  $0 < \alpha < 1$  by a more general approach. See the following paper by Prof. Kato. The author wishes to express his hearty thanks to Prof. Kato for the friendly discussion.

5) K. Yosida: On the differentiability of semi-groups of linear operators, Proc. Japan Acad., **34**, 337-340 (1958). Cf. E. Hille's class  $H(\varnothing_1, \varnothing_2)$  of semi-groups in his book: Functional Analysis and Semi-groups, New York (1948).