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REPRESENTATION OF FRACTIONAL POWERS OF INFINITESIMAL GENERATORS OF SEMIGROUPS

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1. Introduction. Let X be a real or complex Banach space and $\mathfrak{E}(X)$ the Banach algebra of endomorphisms of X . Let $\{T(u); u \geq 0\}$ be an equibounded semigroup of operators of class (\mathfrak{C}_0) in $\mathfrak{E}(X)$ with infinitesimal generator A . A is a closed linear operator with domain $D(A)$ dense in X . For these concepts see e.g. E. Hille-R. S. Phillips [5, Chapters X–XII].

One purpose of this note is to give a representation for the fractional power $(-A)^\gamma$, $\gamma > 0$, of the operator $(-A)$. The result obtained will be a generalization of one due to J. L. Lions-J. Peetre [7, Chapter VII, §2]: *Let γ be a positive integer. An element $f \in X$ belongs to $D((-A)^\gamma)$ if and only if the integral*

$$(1) \quad \frac{1}{C_{\gamma,r}} \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} \frac{[I - T(u)]^r f}{u^{1+\gamma}} du \quad (\epsilon > 0; r \text{ any integer } > \gamma).$$

converges in norm as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0+$, the constant $C_{\gamma,r}$ being given by

$$(2) \quad C_{\gamma,r} = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(1 - e^{-u})^r}{u^{1+\gamma}} du.$$

The limit is then equal to $(-A)^\gamma f$.

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