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REMARKS ON PROOF OF A THEOREM OF KATO AND KOBAYASI ON LINEAR EVOLUTION EQUATIONS

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1. Introduction

Let

$$du/dt + A(t)u = f(t), \quad 0 \le t \le T,$$
 (1.1)

be an evolution equation of "hyperbolic" type in a Banach space E with A(t) having a domain containing a fixed dense linear subspace F. T. Kato [1], [2], J.R. Dorroh [3], S. Ishii [4],[5], K. Kobayasi [7] etc. have developed methods of constructing an evolution operator for (1.1). The main theorem due to T. Kato and K. Kobayasi is stated as follows:

Theorem. Let E and F be Banach spaces such that F is densely and continuously embedded in E, and $\{A(t)\}_{0 \le t \le T}$ be a family of closed linear operators in E with the domains

$$D(A(t))\supset F$$
.

Assume that

- $(I) \quad \{A(t)\}_{0 \le t \le T}$ is stable on E,
- (II) $A \in \mathcal{C}([0, T]; \mathcal{L}_s(F; E)),$
- (III) There is family $\{S(t)\}_{0 \le t \le T}$ of isomorphisms from F onto E such that

$$S \in \mathcal{C}^{1}([0, T]; \mathcal{L}_{s}(F; E)),$$

and

$$S(t)A(t)S(t)^{-1} = A(t) + B(t)$$

for each $t \in [0, T]$ with some

$$B \in \mathcal{C}([0, T]; \mathcal{L}_s(E))$$
.

Then we can construct an unique evolution operator $\{U(t, s)\}_{0 \le s \le t \le T}$ with the following properties

- a) $U \in \mathcal{C}(\{(t,s); 0 \leq s \leq t \leq T\}; \mathcal{L}_s(E)),$
- b) $U \in \mathcal{C}(\{(t,s); 0 \leq s \leq t \leq T\}; \mathcal{L}_s(F)),$
- c) $U(t,s)U(s,r)=U(t,r), 0 \le r \le s \le t \le T; U(s,s)=I, 0 \le s \le T,$