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The aim of the author is to construct inertial manifolds for a class of evolution equations of the form (1) $u_t + Au + R(t, u) = 0$ which takes place on a Hilbert space H with norm $\|\cdot\|$. In order to assure the existence of such manifolds the author imposes some assumptions on (1) which are to some extent weaker than those usually encountered. A is assumed to be a positive selfadjoint operator with compact resolvents and spectrum $0 < \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \dots$; we denote by w_j an eigenvector of λ_j . Crucial to the theory is a spectral gap condition of the form (2) $\lambda_{N+1} - \lambda_N > K_1(\lambda_{N+1}^{\gamma/2} + \lambda_N^{\gamma/2})^2$ for some $N > 0$. The constant K_1 and $\gamma \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ are determined by the nonlinearity $R(t, u)$ which is assumed to satisfy the following conditions:

(3) $\|R(t, u)\| \leq K_0$, (4) $\|R(t, u) - R(t, v)\| \leq K_1\|A^\gamma(u - v)\|$, (5) $\|R(t+h, u) - R(t, u)\| \leq K_2|h|$,

where $u, v \in \text{dom}(A^\gamma)$. Under these assumptions the evolution equation (1) generates a semiflow $S(t, t_0)$ which maps $\text{dom}(A^\gamma)$ into itself and which has some smoothness properties which are proved in the course of the paper. Let P_N be the orthogonal projection onto $\text{span}(w_1, \dots, w_N)$. The first main result (theorem 1) states that there is a Lipschitz mapping $\varphi(\cdot, \cdot)$ from $\mathbb{R} \times P_N \text{dom}(A^\gamma)$ into $(1 - P_N)\text{dom}(A^\gamma)$ such that for each $t \in \mathbb{R}$ the manifold $M_t = \text{graph}(\varphi(t, \cdot))$ has the following properties: (a) $M_t = S(t, t_0)M_{t_0}$, $t, t_0 \in \mathbb{R}$, (b) if $u(t) = S(t, t_0)u_0$ then there exists $v_0 \in M_{t_0}$ such that

$$\|A^\gamma(S(t+t_0, t_0)u_0 - S(t+t_0, t_0)v_0)\| \leq C_1 e^{-t\nu}, \quad t \geq 0$$

for suitable $C_1, \nu > 0$ independent of t_0, t . There are further results of perturbational nature which compare the manifolds M_t with \tilde{M}_t , $t \in \mathbb{R}$ which emerge from nonlinearities $R(t, u)$ and $\tilde{R}(t, u)$ respectively, and which loosely speaking express that M_t and \tilde{M}_t are asymptotically close if $R(t, u)$ and $\tilde{R}(t, u)$ are asymptotically close. The proofs are based on a series of technical lemmas. Among these, lemma 3.3 in particular expresses that the flow $S(t, t_0)$ has a certain squeezing property which differs from that usually encountered.

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