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Abstract

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GENERALIZED SOLUTIONS OF A QUASI-LINEAR DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION IN A BANACH SPACE

(Presented by Academician S. L. Sobolev on 26 XI 1957)

1. Consider the equation

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = A(t)x(t) \quad (1)$$

in a Banach space X , where $A(t)$ are linear closed operators with domains $D_{A(t)}$ dense in X , satisfying the condition:

C I. There exist sequences J_n of idempotent operators such that $J_n J_m = 0$ for $n \neq m$ and, moreover:

- 1) $I = J_1 + J_2 + \dots + J_n + \dots$ (the series converges strongly);
- 2) $J_{nA}(t) \subseteq A(t)J_n$ ($t \in (a, b)$), $n = 1, 2, \dots$;
- 3) $A(t)J_n$ is bounded in $X_{(n)} = J_n(X)$.
- 4) $A(t)J_n$ is continuous in norm in $X_{(n)}$ for $t \in (a, b)$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$

It is possible that the Cauchy problem for equation (1) has no solution for all initial conditions $y_0 \in X$. Consider the space \mathfrak{X} of sequences $x = \{x_n\}$, where $x_n \in X_{(n)}$, with the family of seminorms

$$p_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_k}(x) = \sup(\|x_{n_1}\|, \dots, \|x_{n_k}\|),$$

where (n_1, \dots, n_k) is any finite set of natural numbers; the correspondence $x \rightarrow \{J_{n\mathfrak{X}}\} = \tilde{x}$ is a continuous isomorphism from X onto $\tilde{X} \subset \mathfrak{X}$ (\mathfrak{X} is the closure of \tilde{X}).

Associate with equation (1) the equation

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \tilde{A}(t)x(t), \quad (1')$$

where $\tilde{A}(t)\{x_n\} = \{A(t)x_n\}$ is the extension of $A(t)$ in \mathfrak{X} by continuity.

Theorem 1. 1) The Cauchy problem for equation (1') has a solution, and moreover a unique one in (a, b) , for arbitrary initial data from \mathfrak{X} .

- 2) The Cauchy problem is well posed in \mathfrak{X} , i.e., on any closed interval contained in (a, b) the solution depends continuously on the initial value uniformly with respect to t .
- 3) If $x(t)$ is a solution of the Cauchy problem for (1), $x(c) = x_0$, then $\tilde{x}(t)$ is a solution of the Cauchy problem for (1'), $\tilde{x}(c) = \tilde{x}_0$.

It follows from this that the Cauchy problem for (1) has at most one solution and that this solution depends continuously on the initial data, if it is considered in \mathfrak{X} . If the initial value belongs to \tilde{X} , then the solution of the Cauchy problem for (1') is a generalized solution for (1).

We introduce the following condition:

C II. There exists a function $\gamma(t)$, summable on any interval $[a_1, b_1] \subset (a, b)$, such that for any $\varepsilon > \gamma(t)$ the operator $[\varepsilon I - A(t)]^{-1}$ exists,

defined on all of X and satisfies the inequality*

$$\|[\varepsilon I - A(t)]^{-1}\| < \frac{1}{\varepsilon - \gamma(t)}, \quad \varepsilon > \gamma(t), \quad t \in (a, b).$$

Theorem 2. If $A(t)$ satisfies condition C II, then:

- 1) The solution of the Cauchy problem for (1') takes its values in \tilde{X} for initial values from \tilde{X} .
- 2) The solution is continuous in X for $t \geq c$.
- 3) If $\tilde{x}(t)$ is a solution of the Cauchy problem for (1') such that $\tilde{x}(c) = \tilde{x}_0$, $x_0 \in X$, then for $t \geq c$

$$\|x(t)\| \leq \|x_0\| \exp \left[\int_c^t \gamma(\tau) d\tau \right].$$

Corollary 1. 1) The solution of the Cauchy problem for (1') with initial conditions in X and considered in X is a generalized solution of the Cauchy problem for (1) in the sense of S. L. Sobolev (2).

- 2) The generalized Cauchy problem is well posed.

Denote by $T(t, s)x$ ($t \geq s$) the generalized solution of the Cauchy problem such that $T(t, s)x \rightarrow x$ as $t \rightarrow s + 0$.

Corollary 2. 1) $T(t, s)T(s, \gamma) = T(t, \gamma)$, $t \geq s \geq \gamma$.

- 2) $T(t, s)$ is strongly continuous on the triangle $t, s \in (a, b)$, $t \geq s$.

3)

$$\|T(t, s)\| \leq \exp \left[\int_s^t \gamma(\tau) d\tau \right].$$

4) If

$$x_0 \in \bigcup_{N=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^N X_{(n)},$$

then $T(t, s)x_0$ is a solution of the Cauchy problem for (1).

In Kato's construction ⁽¹⁾, the set $\{x\}$ for which $T(t, s)x$ is a solution of (1) coincides with $D_{A(0)} = D_{A(t)}$. In our case it is possible that $D_{A(t)} \neq D_{A(0)}$, but always

$$\bigcup_{N=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^N X_{(n)} \subset D_{A(0)},$$

and the inclusion is often strict.

We introduce the following condition:

C III. Let condition C II be satisfied and let $\gamma(t) \leq \gamma < \infty$, and let γ_n be the least number such that:

1) $[\varepsilon I - A_{(n)}(t)]^{-1}$ exists in $X_{(n)}$ and is defined on all $X_{(n)}$ for $\varepsilon > \gamma_n$ ($A_{(n)}(t)$ is the restriction of $A(t)$ to $X_{(n)}$).

2)

$$\|[\varepsilon I - A_{(n)}(t)]^{-1}\| \leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon - \gamma_n}, \quad t \in (a, b).$$

Let, moreover,

$$M_{(n)} = \max_{t \in (a, b)} \|A_{(n)}(t)\|.$$

Then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_{(n)} e^{t\gamma_n} < \infty.$$

There exist operators satisfying these conditions. For example, if X is a Hilbert space and $A(t) = B(t)N$, where N is a normal unbounded operator whose

spectrum lies in an angle smaller than π , with the negative half-axis Ox serving as the bisector of this angle, and $B(t)$ is a strictly positive operator, continuous in norm and such that $B(t)N \subset NB(t)$, then condition C III is satisfied ⁽³⁾.

Theorem 1'. If condition C III is satisfied, $T(t, s)x$ is a solution of the Cauchy problem for (1) for $x \in X$, $t > s$.

This result is analogous to a property that holds for certain parabolic equations of I. G. Petrovskii ⁽⁴⁾.

2. Consider the equation

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = A(t)x + f(t, x). \quad (2)$$

* The case $\gamma(t) = \gamma$, see (1).

Suppose that $A(t)$ satisfies condition C II and that $f(t, x)$ is a continuous mapping of $(a, b) \times X$ into X . Then every solution of the Cauchy problem for (2), $x(s) = x_0$, $x_0 \in X$, will be a solution* of the equation

$$x(t) = T(t, s)x_0 + \int_s^t T(t, \tau)f(\tau, x(\tau)) d\tau, \quad (3)$$

and, conversely, every solution of this equation is a solution of the Cauchy problem for the equation

$$\frac{d\tilde{x}(t)}{dt} = \tilde{A}(t)\tilde{x}(t) + \tilde{f}(t, \tilde{x})$$

from $\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}$ (obviously, \tilde{f} is defined only on $(a, b) \times \tilde{X}$). It is natural to regard a solution of (3) as a generalized solution for (2).

Theorem 3. Let $s \in (a, b)$, and let S be a ball in X with center at x_0 . If $f(t, x)$ is defined and continuous on $(a, b) \times S$ and $f(t, x) = f_1(t, x) + f_2(t, x)$, where $f_1(t, x)$ is compact and

$$\|f_2(t, x) - f_2(t, y)\| \leq \overline{K}(t)\omega(\|x - y\|);$$

$\overline{K}(t)$ is summable on (a, b) and $\omega(z)$ is an Osgood-type function ^(6,7), then there exists an interval $[s, b) \subset (a, b)$ on which (3) has at least one solution $x(s) = x_0$. If $f_1 \equiv 0$, this solution is unique.

In the proofs the following lemma was used.

Lemma 1. Let C be the space of continuous functions on $[0, T]$ with values in X , and let F be a mapping of a bounded closed set $M \subset C$ into itself, satisfying, for $u, v \in M$, the condition

$$\|Fu(t) - Fv(t)\| \leq \int_0^t K(\tau)\omega(\|u(\tau) - v(\tau)\|) d\tau,$$

where $K(t)$ is summable on $[0, T]$, and $\omega(z)$ is an Osgood-type function. Then the equation $u = Fu$ has a solution in M , and moreover a unique one**.

Theorem 4. Under the hypotheses of Theorem 3, if $f(t, u)$ satisfies on $(a, b) \times X$ the condition

$$\|f(t, x)\| \leq \bar{K}(t)\bar{\omega}(\|x\|),$$

where $\bar{K}(t)$ is summable on every interval $[a_1, b_1] \subset (a, b)$ and $\bar{\omega}(z)$ is a Wintner-type function, then the solution of equation (3) can be continued to all of $[c, b)$ (b may be infinite).

We note that Theorems 3 and 4 also hold when $T(t, s)$ satisfies conditions 1) and 2) of Corollary 2, and therefore in this case they also include the generalized solutions from (5).

For simplicity suppose that in condition C II $\gamma(t) = \gamma$. Then:

Corollary 3. If, under the hypotheses of Theorem 4, $\bar{K}(t)$ is summable on (a, b) , then:

- 1) If $b < \infty$, the solution is uniformly bounded on $[c, b]$.
- 2) If $b = \infty$ and $\gamma \leq 0$, the solution is uniformly bounded on $[c, \infty)$.
- 3) If $b = \infty$ and $\gamma < 0$, the solution tends to zero as $t \rightarrow \infty$ (whatever the initial conditions may be).

Corollary 4. 1) If, under the hypotheses of Theorem 4, $f_1 \equiv 0$, then the Cauchy problem is well posed.

- 2) If, in addition, $K(t)$ is summable on all of (a, b) , then the generalized Cauchy problem is well posed uniformly with respect to $c \in [a_1, b_1] \subset (a, b)$.
- 3) If $b = \infty$ and $\gamma \leq 0$, the solution of the generalized Cauchy problem is Lyapunov stable.

* This does not always hold under Kato' s conditions (5).

** This lemma makes it possible to extend Krasnosel' skii' s fixed-point theorem (8) and is proved with the aid of Lemma I. 1 from (6); the latter, in a more particular form, was also obtained by Krasnosel' skii (9).

3. Suppose that $A(t) = A$.

Theorem 5. Let the hypotheses of Theorem 3 and the following conditions be satisfied:

- 1) For $u \in D_A$, $f(t, u) \in D_A$.
- 2) $Af(t, u(t))$ is continuous for every continuous $u(t) \in D_A$.
- 3) $\|Af(t, u) - Af(t, v)\| \leq K_1(t)\omega_1(\|Au - Av\|)$, where $u, v \in D_A$, $K_1(t)$ is summable, and $\omega_1(z)$ is a function of Osgood type.

Then every solution of the generalized Cauchy problem for (2) is a solution in the usual sense.

With slight changes the theorem remains valid also if $A(t)$ depends on t , but the Kato conditions ⁽¹⁾ are satisfied; however, as is easy to see ⁽⁵⁾, such a theorem is ineffective.

Theorem 6. *Let, under the hypotheses of Theorem 2:*

- 1) $f_t(t, u)$ exist and be continuous.
- 2) $f(t, u)$ have a continuous Fréchet differential $f_u(t, u)$.

Then the Cauchy problem for (2) has a unique solution on a sufficiently small interval for initial conditions from X .

This theorem is an improvement of the theorem from ⁽⁵⁾ in the case where $A(t)$ does not depend on t . Theorems 5 and 6 also hold in the case where $T(t)$ is a strongly continuous subgroup and $T(t) \rightarrow I$, consequently, if A satisfies the general condition of Miyadera-Phillips ⁽¹⁰⁾.

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