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## Abstract

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# ON QUASILINEAR EQUATIONS IN A BANACH SPACE

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1. In a Banach space  $E$  we consider the problem

$$v'(t) = A(t)v(t) + f[t, v(t)] \quad (0 \leq t \leq T), \quad v(0) = v_0. \quad (1)$$

A solution of this problem is a function  $v(t)$  satisfying (1) and such that the functions  $v'(t)$  and  $A(t)v(t)$  are continuous on  $[0, T]$ . It is assumed that  $A(t)$ , for each  $t$  in  $[0, T]$ , is the generating operator of a strongly continuous contraction semigroup. The domain  $D$  of the operator  $A(t)$  does not depend on  $t$ , and the operator-function  $A(t)A^{-1}(0)$  is strongly continuously differentiable. If the operator  $A$  does not depend on  $t$ , then it is assumed only that it generates a strongly continuous semigroup.

In work <sup>(1)</sup> the unique local solvability of problem (1) was proved under the assumption that the derivatives  $f'_t$  and  $f'_v$  exist for all  $t$  in  $[0, T]$  and  $v$  in  $E$  and satisfy a Lipschitz condition with respect to  $v$ . In <sup>(2)</sup> this fact is established under the assumption of mere continuity of the derivatives  $f'_t$  and  $f'_v$ . A strengthening of the result from <sup>(1)</sup> in another direction was obtained in <sup>(3)</sup>, where it is assumed that the operator  $f$  acts (with respect to  $v$ ) not from  $E$  into  $E$ , but only from  $D$  into  $E$ . This makes it possible to consider also unbounded nonlinear operators  $f$ .

In work <sup>(1)</sup> generalized solutions of problem (1) were also studied, and the existence of at least one generalized solution was proved under the assumption that the operator  $f$  is the sum of a Lipschitz operator and a completely continuous operator. Below, in § 2, a theorem is given which generalizes in this respect the result of <sup>(1)</sup> for solutions of problem (1), and not only for its generalized solutions. In § 3 an analogous theorem is given for second-order differential equations.

2. **Theorem 1.** Let the operator  $f(t, v)$  act from  $[0, T] \times D$  into  $E$ . Here  $D$  is regarded as a Banach space with norm  $\|v\|_D = \|A(0)v\|_E$ . Let the operator  $f(t, v)$  have derivatives  $f'_t(t, v)$  and  $f'_v(t, v)$ . Let  $f'_t(t, v) = f_{1t}(t, v) + f_{2t}(t, v)$ . Each of the operators  $f_{it}(t, v)$  is continuous jointly in the variables. The operator  $f_{1t}(t, v)$  satisfies the Lipschitz condition

$$\|f_{1t}(t, v_1) - f_{1t}(t, v_2)\|_E \leq C(R)\|v_1 - v_2\|_D, \quad \|v_i\|_D \leq R.$$

For any fixed  $t$ , the operator  $f_{2t}(t, v)$  maps every set bounded in  $D$  into a set compact in  $E$ .

Let the Fréchet derivative  $f'_v(t, v)$ , which for each fixed  $t$  and  $v$  is a linear continuous operator acting from  $D$  into  $E$ , admit a continuous extension to a linear continuous operator acting in  $E$ . We shall retain the same notation  $f'_v(t, v)$  for this extension. Let  $f'_v(t, v) = f_{1v}(t, v) + f_{2v}(t, v)$ . For any fixed  $h$  in  $E$ , the operators  $f_{iv}(t, v)$  (from  $[0, T] \times D$  into  $E$ ) are continuous jointly in the variables  $t$  and  $v$ . The operator  $f_{1v}(t, v)h$  satisfies the Lipschitz condition

$$\|[f_{1v}(t, v_1) - f_{1v}(t, v_2)]h\|_E \leq C(R)\|h\|_E\|v_1 - v_2\|_D, \quad \|v_i\|_D \leq R.$$

For any fixed  $t$ , the operator  $f_{2v}(t, v)h$  maps every set bounded in  $D$  into a set compact in  $E$ .

Let  $v_0$  belong to  $D$ . Then problem (1) has a unique solution, defined on some segment  $[0, t_0] \subset [0, T]$ .

In the case where  $f_{2t} \equiv 0$  and  $f_{2v} \equiv 0$ , Theorem 1 was proved in (3). Here, in order to shorten the exposition, its proof is given in the case where  $A(t) \equiv A$ ,  $f(t, v) \equiv f(v)$ ,  $f'(v) = f'_{2v}(v)$ . Thus, let  $v(t)$  be a solution of the problem

$$v'(t) = Av(t) + f[v(t)], \quad v(0) = v_0. \quad (2)$$

Then

$$v(t) = \exp\{tA\}v_0 + \int_0^t \exp\{(t-s)A\}f[v(s)] ds. \quad (3)$$

From (3) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} v'(t) &= \exp\{tA\}Av_0 + \exp\{tA\}f(v_0) + \\ &+ \int_0^t \exp\{(t-s)A\}f'[v(s)]v'(s) ds. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Consider the integral equation

$$z(t) = \exp\{tA\}Av_0 + \exp\{tA\}f(v_0) + \int_0^t \exp\{(t-s)A\}f'[v(s)]z(s) ds. \quad (5)$$

Its continuous solution is unique and has the form

$$z(t) = \exp\{tA\}Av_0 + \exp\{tA\}f(v_0) + \int_0^t \exp\{(t-s)A\}\varphi[s, v(s)] ds, \quad (6)$$

where

$$\varphi[t, v(t)] = f'[v(t)]z[t, v(t)],$$

$$z[t, v(t)] = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} z_n[t, v(t)],$$

$$z_0[t, v(t)] = \exp\{tA\}Av_0 + \exp\{tA\}f(v_0),$$

$$z_{n+1}[t, v(t)] = \int_0^t \exp\{(t-s)A\}z_n[s, v(s)] ds. \quad (7)$$

From (4) it then follows that

$$v'(t) = \exp\{tA\}Av_0 + \exp\{tA\}f(v_0) + \int_0^t \exp\{(t-s)A\}\varphi[s, v(s)] ds. \quad (8)$$

Finally, integrating (8), we obtain

$$v(t) = \exp\{tA\}v_0 + [\exp\{tA\} - I]A^{-1}f(v_0) + \int_0^t [\exp\{(t-s)A\} - I]A^{-1}\varphi[s, v(s)] ds. \quad (9)$$

Making in equation (9) the substitution  $w(t) = Av(t)$ , we reduce the problem to finding a continuous solution in  $E$  of the equation

$$w(t) = \exp\{tA\}Av_0 + [\exp\{tA\} - I]f(v_0) + \int_0^t [\exp\{(t-s)A\} - I]\varphi[s, A^{-1}w(s)] ds. \quad (10)$$

We shall regard (10) as an operator equation in the space  $C([0, t_0], E)$  of continuous functions  $w(t)$  defined on  $[0, t_0]$  with values ...

chains in  $E$ . Write it in the form  $w = Kw$ . For sufficiently small  $t_0$  the operator  $K$  maps some ball of the space  $C$  into itself and is continuous in  $C$ . From Mazur's theorem it follows that the operator  $K$  transforms any bounded set of functions  $N = \{w(t)\}$  in  $C$  into a set of such functions  $KN = \{Kw(t)\}$  that the set of their values for each fixed  $t$  is compact in  $E$ .

Finally, let us prove that  $KN$  is a set of equicontinuous functions. For this, with the aid of the Schauder projection operator (see, for example, <sup>(4)</sup>  $P_n$ ), we construct a sequence of operators  $K_n$  converging uniformly on  $N$  to  $K$ . Finally,  $P_n$  (and correspondingly  $K_n$ ) is slightly deformed so that the basis vectors belong to  $D$ . Then  $\tilde{K}_n N$ , for the resulting  $\tilde{K}_n$ , will be a set of equicontinuous functions. Thus the Schauder principle is applicable to the equation  $w = Kw$ . Consequently, problem (2) has at least one solution  $v(t)$ , defined on some segment  $[0, t_0]$ .

The smoothness of the operator  $f$  makes it possible to prove uniqueness, although it does not allow the problem to be reduced to the contraction mapping principle. If the operator  $f'(v)$  were the sum of a Lipschitz operator  $f_1(v)$  and a completely continuous operator  $f_2(v)$ , then the equation with the completely continuous operator could be reached in a somewhat different way. From equality (4) we pass to the equality

$$v(t) = \exp\{tA\}v_0 + [\exp\{tA\} - I]A^{-1}f(v_0) + \int_0^t [\exp\{(t-s)A\} - I]A^{-1}f'[v(s)]v'(s) ds, \quad (11)$$

and then consider the system, following from (4) and (11),

$$\begin{aligned}
 z(t) &= \exp\{tA\}Av_0 + \exp\{tA\}f(v_0) + \\
 &\quad + \int_0^t \exp\{(t-s)A\}(f_1[A^{-1}w(s)] + f_2[v(s)])z(s) ds, \\
 w(t) &= \exp\{tA\}Av_0 + [\exp\{tA\} - I]f(v_0) + \\
 &\quad + \int_0^t [\exp\{(t-s)A\} - I](f_1[A^{-1}w(s)] + f_2[v(s)])z(s) ds,
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{12}$$

where  $z(t) = v'(t)$ ,  $w(t) = Av(t)$ . System (12) can be solved uniquely, since  $z(t)$  enters linearly, while  $w(t)$  enters under the sign of the Lipschitz operator  $f_1$ .

3. For the investigation of quasilinear equations of higher orders one may pass to a system of first-order equations, and then apply results <sup>(1-3)</sup> or Theorem 1. Thus one may proceed in the investigation of the problem

$$\begin{aligned}
 v''(t) + A(t)v(t) &= f[t, v(t), v'(t)] \quad (0 \leq t \leq T), \\
 v(0) &= v_0, \quad v'(0) = v'_0
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{13}$$

in a real Hilbert space  $H$  with a positive definite self-adjoint operator  $A(t)$ . Its solution is a function  $v(t)$  satisfying (13) and such that the functions  $v''(t)$  and  $A(t)v(t)$  are continuous on  $[0, T]$ . This problem, as S. G. Krein showed, can be reduced to a system of first-order equations with a matrix operator satisfying the conditions of item 1, but for this one has to consider the problem in a complex Hilbert space.

If in problem (13) the operator  $A(t) = A(0) = A$ , then problem (13) is equivalent to the problem

$$v(t) = \cos A^{1/2}t v_0 + A^{-1/2} \sin A^{1/2}t v'_0 + \int_0^t A^{-1/2} \sin A^{1/2}(t-s) f[s, v(s), v'(s)] ds
 \tag{14}$$

in the same real Hilbert space  $H$ . The methods developed in (5) make it possible to reduce also the problem with a variable operator  $A(t)$  to an analogous equation.

**Theorem 2.** Let the domain of definition  $D$  of the operator  $A(t)$  not depend on  $t$ , and let the operator-function  $A(t)A^{-1}(0)$  be strongly continuously differentiable. Let the operator  $f(t, v, w)$  act from  $[0, T] \times D \times D_{1/2}$  into  $H$ . Here  $D_{1/2}$  denotes the domain of definition of the operator  $A^{1/2}(0)$  with norm  $\|w\|_{D_{1/2}} = \|A^{1/2}(0)w\|_H$ . Let the operator  $f(t, v, w)$  have the derivatives  $f'_t(t, v, w)$ ,  $f'_v(t, v, w)$ ,  $f'_w(t, v, w)$ . Let  $f'_t(t, v, w) = f_{1t}(t, v, w) + f_{2t}(t, v, w)$ . Each of the operators  $f_{it}(t, v, w)$  is continuous in the aggregate of variables. The operator  $f_{1t}(t, v, w)$  satisfies the Lipschitz condition

$$\|f_{1t}(t, v_1, w_1) - f_{1t}(t, v_2, w_2)\|_H \leq C(R)(\|v_1 - v_2\|_D + \|w_1 - w_2\|_{D_{1/2}}),$$

$$\|v_i\|_D \leq R, \quad \|w_i\|_{D_{1/2}} \leq R.$$

The operator  $f_{2t}(t, v, w)$ , for any fixed  $t$ , maps every set bounded in  $D \times D_{1/2}$  into a set compact in  $H$ . Let the Fréchet derivative  $f'_v(t, v, w)$ , which for each fixed  $t, v, w$  is a linear continuous operator acting from  $D$  into  $H$ , admit a continuous extension to a linear continuous operator acting from  $D_{1/2}$  into  $H$ . We retain the same notation  $f'_v(t, v, w)$  for this extension. Let  $f'_v(t, v, w) = f'_{1v}(t, v, w) + f'_{2v}(t, v, w)$ . For any fixed  $h \in D_{1/2}$ , the operators  $f_{iv}(t, v, w)h$  (from  $[0, T] \times D \times D_{1/2}$  into  $H$ ) are continuous in the aggregate of variables  $t, v, w$ . The operator  $f_{1v}(t, v, w)h$  satisfies the Lipschitz condition

$$\|[f_{1v}(t, v_1, w_1) - f_{1v}(t, v_2, w_2)]h\|_H \leq$$

$$\leq C(R)\|h\|_{D_{1/2}}(\|v_1 - v_2\|_D + \|w_1 - w_2\|_{D_{1/2}}), \quad \|v_i\|_D \leq R, \quad \|w_i\|_{D_{1/2}} \leq R.$$

The operator  $f_{2v}(t, v, w)h$ , for any fixed  $t$ , maps every set bounded in  $D \times D_{1/2}$  into a set compact in  $H$ .

Let the Fréchet derivative  $f'_w(t, v, w)$ , which for each fixed  $t, v, w$  is a linear continuous operator acting from  $D_{1/2}$  into  $H$ , admit a continuous extension to a linear continuous operator acting in  $H$ . We retain the same notation  $f'_w(t, v, w)$  for this extension. Let  $f'_w(t, v, w) = f'_{1w}(t, v, w) + f'_{2w}(t, v, w)$ . For any fixed  $h$  from  $H$ , the operators  $f_{iw}(t, v, w)$  (from  $[0, T] \times D \times D_{1/2}$  into  $H$ ) are continuous in the aggregate of variables  $t, v, w$ . The operator  $f_{1w}(t, v, w)$  satisfies the Lipschitz condition

$$\|[f_{1w}(t, v_1, w_1) - f_{1w}(t, v_2, w_2)]h\|_H \leq$$

$$\leq C(R)\|h\|_H(\|v_1 - v_2\|_D + \|w_1 - w_2\|_{D_{1/2}}), \quad \|v_i\|_D \leq R, \quad \|w_i\|_{D_{1/2}} \leq R.$$

The operator  $f_{2w}(t, v, w)h$ , for any fixed  $t$ , maps every set bounded in  $D \times D_{1/2}$  into a set compact in  $H$ . Let  $v_0 \in D$ ,  $v'_0 \in D_{1/2}$ .

Then problem (13) has a unique solution, defined on some segment  $[0, t_0] \subset [0, T]$ .

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