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SOME CLASSES OF INFINITELY DIFFERENTIABLE FUNCTIONS

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Abstract. For nonquasianalytical Carleman classes conditions on the sequences $\{\widehat{M}_n\}$ and $\{M_n\}$ are investigated which guarantee the existence of a function in $C_J\{\widehat{M}_n\}$ such that

$$u^{(n)}(a) = b_n, \quad |b_n| \leq K^{n+1} M_n, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, \quad a \in J.$$

Conditions of coincidence of the sequences $\{\widehat{M}_n\}$ and $\{M_n\}$ are analysed. Some still unknown classes of such sequences are pointed out and a construction of the required function is suggested.

The connection of this classical problem with the problem of the existence of a function with given trace at the boundary of the domain in a Sobolev space of infinite order is shown.

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Nonquasianalytical Carleman classes of one real variable

$$(1) \quad C_J\{\widehat{M}_n\} \equiv \{f(x) \in C^\infty(J) : \max_{x \in J} |f^{(n)}(x)| \leq K_{(f)}^{n+1} \widehat{M}_n, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots\}$$

are considered. That means that the sequence $\{\widehat{M}_n\}$ satisfies the following conditions:

$$(2) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \widehat{M}_n^{1/n} = \infty,$$

$$(3) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\widehat{M}_n^c}{\widehat{M}_{n+1}^c} < \infty,$$

where $\{\widehat{M}_n^c\}$ is the logarithmically convex regularization of $\{M_n\}$ (cf. [1]).

Definition 1. The indices $\{n_i\}$ such that

$$M_{n_i} = M_{n_i}^c$$

are called fundamental indices for the logarithmically convex regularization of $\{M_n\}$.

Definition 2. The sequence $\{M_n\}$ is called almost logarithmically convex if for all its fundamental indices the following condition is satisfied:

$$\sup_i (n_{i+1} - n_i) = K < \infty.$$

If $K = 1$ then the sequence $\{M_n\}$ is logarithmically convex.

The family of sequences $\{b_n\}$ such that

$$|b_n| \leq K^n M_n, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, \quad K = K(\{b_n\}),$$

is denoted as $B\{M_n\}$.

Problem. Find conditions on the sequences $\{M_n\}$ and $\{\widehat{M}_n\}$ which guarantee for any sequence $\{b_n\} \in B\{M_n\}$ the existence of a function $f(x) \in C_{\mathbb{R}}\{\widehat{M}_n\}$ satisfying the following conditions:

$$(4) \quad f^{(n)}(0) = b_n, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots$$

It is clear that $M_n \leq \widehat{M}_n$ for all $n = 0, 1, \dots$

In particular, the conditions of coincidence of $\{\widehat{M}_n\}$ and $\{M_n\}$ are analysed.

The problem was studied by T. Bang [2], E. Borel [3], T. Carleman [4], L. Carleson [5], G. Wahde [6], B. S. Mitiagin [7], L. Ehrenpreis [8], G. S. Balashova [9] and other authors.

Theorem 1. For any sequence $\{b_n\} \in B\{M_n\}$ and any number $\alpha > 1$ there exists the function $f(x) \in C_{\mathbb{R}}\{\widehat{M}_n\}$ satisfying the condition (4), where

$$\widehat{M}_n = n^{\alpha n} \sum_{k=1}^n M'_k \left(\frac{M'_{k+1}}{M'_k} \right)^{n-k}, \quad M'_k = \frac{M_k}{k^{\alpha k}}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

Proof. We construct the desired function. It is known that there exists a function $\psi(x) \in C_{(\mathbb{R})}^{\infty}$ satisfying the following conditions:

$$1) \psi(x) \geq 0, \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \psi(x) = \psi(0) = 1, \psi^{(n)}(0) = 0, n = 1, 2, \dots;$$

- 2) $\psi(x) = 0$, if $|x| > 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu_n^{-1} = \delta$;
 3) $\max_{|x| < \delta} |\psi^{(n)}(x)| \leq \prod_{j=1}^n \mu_j$, where $\mu_n > 0$ is an increasing sequence such that $\mu_0 = 1$
 and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu_n^{-1} < \infty$.
 The required function is

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{b_k}{k!} \psi_k(dx),$$

where $\psi_k(x)$ satisfies the conditions 1)–3) with

$$\mu_n^{(k)} = (n+k)^\alpha, \quad d_k = K(\alpha) \frac{M_{k+1}'}{M_k'}.$$

□

Corollary. If the sequence $\{M_n\}$ has the property that for some $\alpha > 1$ the sequence $\{M_k k^{-\alpha k}\}$ is almost logarithmically convex, then $\widehat{M}_n = M_n$.

Examples. 1°. If $M_n = n^{\alpha n} \ln^{\beta n} n$, $\alpha > 1$, $\beta \geq 0$, then $\widehat{M}_n = M_n$. When $\beta = 0$, we obtain the known result of L. Carleson, L. Ehrenpreis and B. Mitiagin.

2°. If $M_n = a^{n\alpha} (n^\beta \ln^\gamma n)^n$, $a > 1$, $\alpha > 1$, $\beta \geq 0$, $\gamma \geq 0$, then $\widehat{M}_n = M_n$.

If the sequence $\{M_n\}$ grows slower than $n^{\alpha n}$, $\alpha > 1$, then the following is true:

Theorem 2. If $M_n = (n \ln_r^\gamma n \ln_{r+s}^\beta n)^n$, $\gamma > 0$, $\beta \geq 0$, $r \geq 1$, $s \geq 1$, then there exists a function $f(x) \in C_R(\widehat{M}_n)$ satisfying the condition (4), where $\widehat{M}_n = (n \ln_r^{\gamma+1} n \ln_{r+s}^\beta n)^n (\ln \ln \ln \dots \ln_{r-1} n)^n$, $\ln_r n$ means r -times iterated logarithm.

Proof is of a constructive character. The required function looks like $f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{b_k}{k!} x^k \psi_k(dx)$, where the constant d is chosen, and the sequence $\mu_n^{(k)}$ is built as follows $\mu_n^{(k)} = (n+k) \ln(n+k) \ln \ln(n+k) \dots \ln_{r-1}(n+k) \ln_r^{\gamma+1}(n+k) \ln_{r+s}^\beta(n+k)$.

Remark. When $r = 1$, $\gamma = 1$, $\beta = 0$, $M_n = (n \ln n)^n$, we obtain $\widehat{M}_n = (n \ln^2 n)^n$, which is the known result of L. Carleson.

While studying estimates of the norm of the n -th order derivative of a function $f(x)$ on the Lebesgue space of p -integrable functions ($1 \leq p < \infty$) there was obtained

Theorem 3. If the sequence $\{\widehat{M}_n\}$ is logarithmically convex and for some $\alpha > 1$ the sequence $\{\widehat{M}_n n^{-\alpha n}\}$ is almost logarithmically convex, then for any sequence

$\{b_n\} \in B\{M_n\}$, where $M_n = \widehat{M}_{n+1}^{1/p} \widehat{M}_n^{1-1/p}$, there exists an infinitely differentiable function on \mathbb{R} such that

$$f^{(n)}(0) = b_n \quad \text{and} \quad \|f^{(n)}\|_{L_r(\mathbb{R})} \leq K^{n+1} \widehat{M}_n, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots$$

Remark. Theorem 3 makes sense only for such sequences $\{M_n\}$, for which the ratio $\frac{M_{n+1}}{M_n}$ grows in n faster than the geometrical progression (for example, $M_n = 2^{n^s}$, $s > 2$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$).

Remark. When $p = 1$ we have $M_n = \widehat{M}_{n+1}$. That result gives the best estimation for \widehat{M}_n as it is evident that $\widehat{M}_{n+1} \geq M_n$. In fact, $K^{n+2} \widehat{M}_{n+1} \geq \|f^{(n+1)}(x)\|_{L_1(\mathbb{R})} \geq \int_0^\infty |f^{(n+1)}(x)| dx \geq \left| \int_0^\infty f^{(n+1)}(x) dx \right| = |f^{(n)}(0)| = |b_n|$.

The problem of the existence of a function with the given trace at the boundary of the domain $G \in \mathbb{R}$ in the space

$$(5) \quad W^\infty\{a_n, p\}_{(G)} \equiv \left\{ u(x) \in C_{(G)}^\infty : g(u) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty a_n \|D^n u(x)\|_{L_r(G)}^p < \infty \right\}$$

is very closely related to the one mentioned above (see [10], [11]). Here $a_n \geq 0$, $1 \leq p < \infty$. These spaces are the energy spaces for the differential equations of infinite order the model example of which is the following

$$(6) \quad \sum_{n=0}^\infty (-1)^n D^n (a_n |D^n u|^{p-2} D^n u) = h(x), \quad x \in G = (0, a)$$

$$(7) \quad D^n u(0) = b_n, \quad D^n u(a) = c_n, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots$$

For the solvability of the problem (6), (7) we should first of all investigate the conditions of existence of a function in the space (5), satisfying the conditions (7).

We will suppose that the space (5) is nontrivial which means that the space

$$\widehat{W}^\infty\{a_n, p\}_{(0,a)} \equiv \{u(x) \in C_0^\infty(0, a), g(u) < \infty\}$$

contains at least one function other than that which is identical to zero. Yu. Dubinskij [11] showed that this is the case if and only if the sequence $\{M_n\}$ defined by $M_n = a_n^{-1/p}$ for $a_n \neq 0$ and $M_n = \infty$ for $a_n = 0$, specifies a nonquasianalytic Carleman class (1), i.e., the conditions (2), (3) hold for $\{M_n\}$.

Theorem 4. A necessary and sufficient condition for the sequence $\{b_n\}$ to be extendable in any space $W^\infty\{a_n, p\}_{(0, a)}$ is

$$(8) \quad \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} |b_n|^{1/n} = K < \infty.$$

We shall call a trace satisfying the condition (8) analytical.

Remark. For any space $W^\infty\{a_n, p\}_{(0, a)}$ there exists a nonanalytic trace extendable in this space.

Theorem 5. For the sequence $\{b_n\}$ to be extendable in the space $W^\infty\{a_n, p\}_{(0, a)}$, the following condition is necessary:

$$(9) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n+1}^{1/p} a_n^{1-\frac{1}{p}} |b_n|^p < \infty.$$

Theorem 6. Let the sequence $\{a_n\}$ be such that

$$(10) \quad 1 > a_n^q \geq a_{n+1}, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, \quad a_0 > 0,$$

for some $q > 1$. Then for the existence of a function $u(x) \in W^\infty\{a_n, p\}_{(0, a)}$ with the given trace $\{b_n\}$, the condition

$$(11) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |b_n|^p (M_n^c)^{-(1-\frac{1}{p})} (M_{n+1}^c)^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty$$

is necessary and sufficient.

Remark. If the sequence $\{a_n\}$ satisfies the condition (10) and the sequence $\{a_n^{-1}\}$ is almost logarithmically convex, then $M_n^c = a_n^{-1}$ and the condition (11) coincides with the condition (9).

Remark. Proofs of Theorems 4–6 can be found in the paper [10].

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