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ON SOME LINEAR VOLTERRA DELAY EQUATIONS

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The L^p -solutions of the equation

$$(I) \quad x(t) = a(t) + \int_0^t B(t, s) x(\mu(s)) ds$$

with $\mu(t) \leq t$ are investigated. R. K. MILLER has constructed the *resolvent kernel* of (I) with $\mu(t) = t$ in [9] using *Picard successive approximation method*. Using this kernel, an explicit formula for the solution x of (I) corresponding to the right-hand side a is available. Similarly, we shall find the resolvent kernel R of (I) in general case solving the *resolvent equation*

$$(R) \quad R(t, s) = B(t, s) + \int_s^t B(t, u) R(\mu(u), s) du$$

or

$$(R') \quad R(t, s) = B(t, s) + \int_s^t R(t, u) B(\mu(u), s) du.$$

This kernel enables us to express the solution x of (I) using the explicit *resolvent formula*

$$(X) \quad x(t) = a(t) + \int_0^t R(t, s) a(\mu(s)) ds.$$

Modifying this method, similar results for continuous solutions and for the solutions of more complicated equation

$$(I) \quad x(t) = a(t) + \int_0^t \sum_{\alpha} B^{\alpha}(t, s) x(\mu^{\alpha}(s)) ds$$

will be shown. The continuous dependence of x on the kernel B and the delay function μ is investigated in the second part. The equations considered comprise the linear cases of the differential delay equations introduced by L. E. ELŠGOLC

and S. B. NORKIN in [6] and many of the cases introduced by A. B. MYŠKIS in [10]. We may also find close relationships to some linear cases of the functional differential equations investigated by J. HALE in [8].

1. EXISTENCE AND UNICITY THEOREMS

1. Notation. We shall fix an integer $n \geq 1$, real numbers τ, T ; $\tau \leq 0 < T$; real numbers p, q ; $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, $1 \leq q \leq \infty$; $1/p + 1/q = 1$. $|\cdot|$ will be the Euclidean norm of matrices. We put $J = \langle \tau, T \rangle$. We shall write

$$\|f\|_r = \left(\int_J |f|^r \right)^{1/r}, \quad 1 \leq r < \infty;$$

$$\|f\|_\infty = \text{vrai sup}_J |f(t)|$$

for a matrix-valued (Lebesgue) measurable function f on J . $f \circ \mu$ will be the composition of functions f, μ ;

$$(B \circ \mu)(t, s) = B(\mu(t), s); \quad t, s \in J;$$

$$\|B\|_{r,s} = \left[\int_J \left(\int_J |B(t, u)|^s du \right)^{r/s} dt \right]^{1/r}; \quad 1 < r < \infty, \quad 1 < s < \infty;$$

$$\|B\|^{r,s} = \left[\int_J \left(\int_J |B(t, u)|^r dt \right)^{s/r} du \right]^{1/s}; \quad 1 < r < \infty, \quad 1 < s < \infty;$$

$$\|B\|_{r,\infty} = \left[\int_J (\text{vrai sup}_s |B(t, s)|)^r dt \right]^{1/r}, \quad 1 < r < \infty;$$

$$\|B\|_{\infty,s} = \text{vrai sup}_t \left(\int_J |B(t, u)|^s du \right)^{1/s}, \quad 1 < s < \infty.$$

for a measurable function B on the cartesian product $J \times J$ and a function $\mu : J \rightarrow J$.

2. μ -assumptions. Let

(2,1) $\mu : J \rightarrow J$;

(2,2) μ be a measurable function on J ;

(2,3) $\tau \leq \mu(t) \leq t$ for all $t \in J$.

3. B -assumptions. Let

(3,1) B be a finite complex $n \times n$ -matrix-valued function defined for all points of the interval $J \times J$;

(3,2) $B(t, s) = 0$ for $s < 0$ or $s > t$;

(3,3) B be measurable on $J \times J$;

(3,4) $B \circ \mu$ be measurable on $J \times J$;

(3,5) $|B(t, s)| \leq g(t) h(s)$; $t, s \in J$;

(3,6) $|B(\mu(t), s)| \leq g(t) h(s)$; $t, s \in J$,

where the real functions g, h satisfy $\|g\|_p < \infty$, $\|h\|_q < \infty$. We shall sometimes use weaker assumptions

(3,7) $\|B(t, \cdot)\|_q < \infty$, $\|B(\mu(\cdot), t)\|_p < \infty$, $t \in J$;

(3,8) $\|B\|_{p,q} < \infty$;

(3,9) $\|B \circ \mu\|_{p,q} < \infty$;

(3,10) $\|B \circ \mu\|^{p,q} < \infty$;

instead of (3,5–6), if $1 < p, q < \infty$.

4. a -assumptions. Let

(4,1) a be an n -dimensional vector function (column-matrix) defined on J ;

(4,2) a be measurable on J ;

(4,3) $\|a\|_p < \infty$;

(4,4) $a \circ \mu$ be measurable on J ;

(4,5) $\|a \circ \mu\|_p < \infty$.

5. Definition. \mathcal{M} will denote the set of all μ satisfying (2,1–3). Let $\mu \in \mathcal{M}$.

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B}_n^{p,\mu}(J)$$

will be the set of all B satisfying (3,1–6) and, if $1 < p$,

$$\mathbf{\hat{B}} = \mathbf{\hat{B}}_n^{p,\mu}(J)$$

the set of all B satisfying (3,1–4), (3,7–10).

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{L}_n^{p,\mu}(J)$$

will be the set of the functions a satisfying (4,1–5). We shall write shortly \mathbf{L}^p if $\mu(t) = t$. The solution of the equation (I) will be a function $x \in \mathbf{L}$ satisfying (I) for all $t \in J$.

6. Remark. We get immediately $\mathbf{B} \subset \mathbf{\hat{B}}$ for $1 < p < \infty$ from Definition 5. It

follows from the equation (I) that its solution x is independent of the values $\mu(t)$ for $t < 0$. We have introduced these values only for easier formulations.

We find some essential differences comparing the equation (I) with the classical case $\mu(t) = t$. Let us note that supposing measurability or integrability of a function f , we do not generally get the same property for the composition $f \circ \mu$. Hence the assumptions (3,4), (3,6) e.t.c. are necessary. It is also worth mentioning that changing a value $x(t)$ of a solution x of (I) at one point we may get a function that does not satisfy (I) for the elements of a nonzero set, for some μ . Hence it is not sufficient to define $x, a, B(\cdot, s)$ only almost everywhere. However, the functions $\mu, B(t, \cdot)$ may be defined only almost everywhere.

7. Theorem. *Let $\mu \in \mathcal{M}$, $B \in \mathfrak{B}$. Then there exists a resolvent kernel $R \in \mathfrak{B}$ satisfying (R), (R') for all $t, s \in J$.*

Proof. We prove the theorem using Picard successive approximation method. (Cf. [9].) We introduce these approximations by

$$(7,1) \quad R_0(t, s) = B(t, s),$$

$$R_{v+1}(t, s) = \int_s^t B(t, u) R_v(\mu(u), s) du; \quad v = 0, 1, 2, \dots; \quad t, s \in J.$$

We shall prove by induction that:

(i) the definition (7,1) is a good one;

$$(ii) \quad R_{v+1} \in \mathfrak{B},$$

$$(iii) \quad R_{v+1}(t, s) = \int_s^t R_v(t, u) B(\mu(u), s) du,$$

$$(iv) \quad |R_{v+1}(t, s)| \leq \xi(t)^{1/q} \eta(s)^{1/p} [\zeta(t, s)^v / v!]^{1/p}$$

where

$$\xi(t) = \int_0^t |B(t, s)|^q ds, \quad \eta(s) = \int_s^t |B(\mu(t), s)|^p dt, \quad \zeta(t, s) = \int_s^t \xi(\mu(u))^{p/q} du$$

for $t, s \in J$; $v = 0, 1, 2, \dots$. Let firstly $v = 0$. Using the Hölder inequality we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_s^t |B(t, u)| |B(\mu(u), s)| du \leq \\ & \leq \left(\int_s^t |B(t, u)|^q du \right)^{1/q} \left(\int_s^t |B(\mu(u), s)|^p du \right)^{1/p} \leq \xi(t)^{1/q} \eta(s)^{1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence the definition (7,1) is a good one, (iv) holds, R_1 satisfies (3,1–4) and (3,7–10) and we obtain (ii). Clearly (iii) holds as well. Let now $v \geq 1$ and let the assertions (i)–(iv) hold for the indices $\alpha \leq v - 1$. Using the induction predicate and the Hölder inequality we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_s^t |B(t, u)| |R_v(\mu(u), s)| du &\leq \left(\int_s^t |B(t, u)|^q du \right)^{1/q} \left(\int_s^t |R_v(\mu(u), s)|^p du \right)^{1/p} \leq \\ &\leq \xi(t)^{1/q} \left[\int_s^t \xi(\mu(u))^{p/q} \frac{\zeta(\mu(u), s)^{v-1}}{(v-1)!} du \right]^{1/p} \eta(s)^{1/p} \leq \\ &\leq \xi(t)^{1/q} \left[\int_s^t \xi(\mu(u))^{p/q} \frac{1}{(v-1)!} \left[\int_s^u \xi(\mu(v))^{p/q} dv \right]^{v-1} du \right]^{1/p} \eta(s)^{1/p} \leq \\ &\leq \xi(t)^{1/q} \left[\frac{\zeta(t, s)^v}{v!} \right]^{1/p} \eta(s)^{1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

Now we follow the argument of the first induction step. (iii) follows from the relations

$$\begin{aligned} R_{v+1}(t, s) &= \int_s^t B(t, u) \int_s^u R_{v-1}(\mu(u), v) B(\mu(v), s) dv du = \\ &= \int_s^t \int_v^t B(t, u) R_{v-1}(\mu(u), v) du B(\mu(v), s) dv = \int_s^t R_v(t, v) B(\mu(v), s) dv. \end{aligned}$$

Let us put

$$(7,2) \quad \tilde{R}(t, s) = \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} R_v(t, s).$$

The function \tilde{R} is defined on the whole interval $J \times J$ and satisfies

$$|\tilde{R}(t, s)| \leq c \xi(t)^{1/q} \eta(s)^{1/p}.$$

Similarly,

$$|\tilde{R}(\mu(t), s)| \leq c \xi(\mu(t))^{1/q} \eta(s)^{1/p}.$$

Now, if $R = \tilde{R} + B$ then $R \in \tilde{B}$ and using the Lebesgue theorem we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_s^t B(t, u) R(\mu(u), s) du &= \int_s^t \sum_{v=0}^{\infty} B(t, u) R_v(\mu(u), s) du = \\ &= \sum_{v=0}^{\infty} \int_s^t B(t, u) R_v(\mu(u), s) du = \sum_{v=1}^{\infty} R_v(t, s) = R(t, s) - B(t, s). \end{aligned}$$

Hence (R) holds. We prove (R') similarly using (iii).

8. Remark. There exists $R \in \mathbf{B}$ satisfying (R), (R') and the inequalities

$$|R(t, s)|, |R(\mu(t), s)| \leq \kappa g(t) h(s)$$

for $B \in \mathbf{B}$, where κ depends only on the functions g, h corresponding to B according to the relations (3,5-6). The proof is similar to that of Theorem 7. We obtain for the successive approximations

$$|R_\nu(t, s)|, |R_\nu(\mu(t), s)| \leq g(t) h(s) f_\nu(t, s)$$

where

$$f_\nu(t, s) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\nu!^{1/q}} \left(\int_s^T g^p \right)^{\nu/p} \left(\int_0^t h^q \right)^{\nu/q}, & 1 < p < \infty, \\ \frac{1}{\nu!} \left(\int_0^t h \right)^\nu, & p = \infty, \\ \frac{1}{\nu!} \left(\int_0^t g \right)^\nu, & p = 1. \end{cases}$$

9. Theorem. Let $\mu \in \mathcal{M}$, $B \in \mathbf{B}$ or $B \in \tilde{\mathbf{B}}$; $a \in \mathbf{L}$. Then there exists a unique solution $x \in \mathbf{L}$ of the equation (I). This solution is given by (X), where R is the corresponding resolvent kernel.

Proof. Let us define x by (X). Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^t B(t, s) x(\mu(s)) ds &= \int_0^t B(t, s) \left[a(\mu(s)) + \int_0^{\mu(s)} R(\mu(s), u) a(\mu(u)) du \right] ds = \\ &= \int_0^t B(t, u) a(\mu(u)) du + \int_0^t \int_u^t B(t, s) R(\mu(s), u) ds a(\mu(u)) du = \\ &= \int_0^t R(t, u) a(\mu(u)) du \end{aligned}$$

in virtue of (R). Hence x fulfils (I). If the couple x, a satisfies (I) it satisfies also (X) because $-B$ is the resolvent kernel corresponding to $-R$. So we get the unicity.

10. Example. For $t - \mu(t) \geq c > 0$, $t \in J$, we get a finite number of approximations for the resolvent kernel evaluation. We may also simply compute the solution x provided that μ is a step function e.t.c.

11. Remark. Let $1 < p \leq \infty$, $B \in \mathbf{B}_n^{p,\mu}(J)$,

$$(11,1) \quad \int_J |B(t, s) - B(u, s)|^q ds \rightarrow 0, \quad u \rightarrow t; \quad u, t \in J.$$

Then the resolvent kernel also fulfils (11,1) and for continuous a the solution x of (I) is continuous as well. Using *Carathéodory condition* for the measurability of a composed function (see e.g. M. M. VAJNBERG [12]) we may prove the following more general assertion.

12. Theorem. Let $\mu \in \mathcal{M}$, let the kernel B satisfy (3,1-2) and

(12,1) $B(t, \cdot)$ is measurable on J for all $t \in J$;

(12,2) $|B(t, s)| \leq h(s)$; $t, s \in J$ where $h \in L^1$;

(12,3)
$$\int_J |B(u, s) - B(t, s)| ds \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } u \rightarrow t; \quad u, t \in J.$$

Let a be continuous on J . Then the equation (I) has a unique solution x continuous on J .

13. Remark. A function B continuous on $J \times J$ satisfies (12,1-3).

14. The more general case. Now we generalize the previous results to the equation (I). Let \mathcal{A} be a countable set, $\mu^\alpha \in \mathcal{M}$ for all $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$. Let $\alpha_0 \in \mathcal{A}$, $\mu^{\alpha_0}(t) = t$, $t \in J$. Let B^α be a kernel satisfying (3,1-2) for all $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ and let

(14,1) $B^\alpha(\mu^\beta(t), s)$ be a measurable function on $J \times J$;

(14,2)
$$|B^\alpha(\mu^\beta(t), s)| \leq g^\beta(t) h^\alpha(s); \quad t, s \in J;$$

for all $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{A}$ where

$$G \equiv (\sum_\beta \|g^\beta\|_p^p)^{1/p} < \infty, \quad H \equiv (\sum_\beta \|h^\beta\|_q^q)^{1/q} < \infty.$$

(We put $G = \sup_\beta \|g^\beta\|_\infty$ if $p = \infty$ e.t.c.) We denote $B = \{B^\alpha\}$ the system of this kernels, \hat{B} the family of this systems. Let \hat{L} be the set of functions satisfying (4,1-2) and the assumptions:

(14,3) $a \circ \mu^\alpha$ is measurable for all $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$;

(14,4)
$$\|a\|_{p,\mu} \equiv (\sum_\alpha \|a \circ \mu^\alpha\|_p^p)^{1/p} < \infty.$$

(We put $\|a\|_{p,\mu} = \sup_\alpha \|a \circ \mu^\alpha\|_\infty$ if $p = \infty$.) We shall consider the equation

(I)
$$x(t) = a(t) + \int_0^t \sum_\alpha B^\alpha(t, s) x(\mu^\alpha(s)) ds$$

and seek a system $R = \{R^\alpha\}$ of resolvent kernels satisfying the resolvent equations

$$(\hat{R}) \quad R^\alpha(t, s) = B^\alpha(t, s) + \int_s^t \sum_{\beta} B^\beta(t, u) R^\alpha(\mu^\beta(u), s) du,$$

$$(\hat{R}') \quad R^\alpha(t, s) = B^\alpha(t, s) + \int_s^t \sum_{\beta} R^\alpha(t, u) B^\beta(\mu^\beta(u), s) du$$

for all $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$. The corresponding resolvent formula for the solution x will be of the form

$$(\hat{X}) \quad x(t) = a(t) + \int_0^t \sum_{\beta} R^\beta(t, s) a(\mu^\beta(s)) ds, \quad t \in J.$$

15. Theorem. Let $B = \{B^\alpha\} \in \hat{B}$. Then there exists a system $R = \{R^\alpha\} \in \hat{B}$ of resolvent kernels satisfying (R), (R') and the inequalities

$$|R^\alpha(\mu^\beta(t), s)| \leq c g^\beta(t) h^\alpha(s); \quad t, s \in J; \quad \alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{A};$$

where the constant c depends only on the functions $g^\gamma, h^\delta, \gamma, \delta \in \mathcal{A}$.

Proof. We may define the systems of resolvent kernels by the formulas

$$R_0^\alpha(t, s) = B^\alpha(t, s),$$

$$R_{\nu+1}^\alpha(t, s) = \int_s^t \sum_{\beta} B^\beta(t, u) R_\nu^\alpha(\mu^\beta(u), s) du; \quad t, s \in J; \quad \alpha \in \mathcal{A}; \quad \nu = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

similarly to the case of the equation (I) (see Remark 8). These systems belong to \hat{B} and it holds

$$|R_\nu^\alpha(\mu^\beta(t), s)| \leq g^\beta(t) h^\alpha(s) w_\nu(t)$$

where

$$w_\nu(t) = \begin{cases} \left[\frac{\left(G \sum_{\beta} \int_0^t (h^\beta)^q \right)^\nu}{\nu!} \right]^{1/q} & \text{if } 1 < p \leq \infty, \\ \frac{\left(H \sum_{\beta} \int_0^t g^\beta \right)^\nu}{\nu!} & \text{if } p = 1. \end{cases}$$

The system of resolvent kernels satisfying the assertion of the theorem may be defined by

$$R^\alpha = \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} R_\nu^\alpha, \quad \alpha \in \mathcal{A}.$$

16. Theorem. Let $B = \{B^\alpha\} \in \hat{B}$. $R = \{R^\alpha\}$ be the corresponding system of re-

solvent kernels, $a \in \hat{L}$. Then the equation (I) has a unique solution $x \in \hat{L}$. This solution is given by the resolvent formula (X).

Proof is analogous to that of Theorem 9.

2. CONTINUITY

1. Lemma. Let $b \in \mathbf{B}_1^{p,\mu}$; $f, z \in \mathbf{L}_1^{p,\mu}$; $b \geq 0$; let r be the resolvent kernel corresponding to the kernel b . Then $r \geq 0$ and the inequality

$$(1,1) \quad z(t) \leq f(t) + \int_0^t b(t, s) z(\mu(s)) ds, \quad t \in J,$$

implies

$$(1,2) \quad z(t) \leq f(t) + \int_0^t r(t, s) f(\mu(s)) ds, \quad t \in J.$$

Moreover, there exists a constant $c > 0$ dependent only on the functions g_b, h_b so that (1,1) and the assumption $z \geq 0$ imply

$$(1,3) \quad \|z\|_p \leq \|f\|_p + c\|f \circ \mu\|_p, \quad \|z \circ \mu\|_p \leq c\|f \circ \mu\|_p.$$

Proof. We obtain $r \geq 0$ from $b \geq 0$ and the successive approximation method. Hence and from (1,1) it follows

$$(1,4) \quad z(t) + \int_0^t r(t, u) z(\mu(u)) du \leq f(t) + \int_0^t r(t, u) f(\mu(u)) du + \\ + \int_0^t b(t, s) z(\mu(s)) ds + \int_0^t r(t, u) \int_0^{\mu(u)} b(\mu(u), s) z(\mu(s)) ds du.$$

Let us denote the last integral by U . Replacing the upper limit $\mu(u)$ by u and using the resolvent formula we get after simple calculation

$$U = \int_0^t [r(t, s) - b(t, s)] z(\mu(s)) ds.$$

Hence and from (1,4), (1,2) follows. (1,2) implies (using also $z \geq 0$)

$$\|z\|_p \leq \|f\|_p + \|f \circ \mu\|_p \|h_r\|_q \|g_r\|_p, \\ \|z \circ \mu\|_p \leq \|f \circ \mu\|_p + \|f \circ \mu\|_p \|h_r\|_q \|g_r\|_p.$$

We obtain (1,3) from here and Remark 8 of the first part.

2. Lemma. Let $B \in \mathbf{B}_n^{p,\mu}$, $a \in \mathbf{L}_n^{p,\mu}$. Then $|B| \in \mathbf{B}_1^{p,\mu}$; $|B|, |B(\mu(\cdot), \cdot)| \in \mathbf{B}_1^{p,1}$, $|a| \in \mathbf{L}_1^{p,1}$

and we may choose $g_{|B|} = g_B$, $h_{|B|} = h_B$. If, moreover, x is a solution of (I), then there exists a constant $c > 0$ depending only on g_B , h_B so that

$$\|x\|_p \leq \|a\|_p + c\|a \circ \mu\|_p, \quad \|x \circ \mu\|_p \leq c\|a \circ \mu\|_p.$$

Proof follows from Lemma 1.

3. Lemma. Let $\lambda, \mu \in \mathcal{M}$, $a \in L_n^{p,\mu} \cap L_n^{p,\lambda}$, $B \in B_n^{p,\mu} \cap B_n^{p,\lambda}$, $g \in L^p$, $h \in L^q$,

$$(3.1) \quad |B(t, s)|, |B(\mu(t), s)|, |B(\lambda(t), s)| \leq g(t) h(s); \quad t, s \in J;$$

let x be a solution of (I), y a solution of the equation

$$(3.2) \quad y(t) = a(t) + \int_0^t B(t, s) y(\lambda(s)) ds, \quad t \in J.$$

Then there exists a constant c depending only on the functions g, h so that it holds

$$(3.3) \quad \|x - y\|_p \leq c[\|a \circ \mu - a \circ \lambda\|_p + \|B \circ \mu - B \circ \lambda\|_{p,q} (\|a \circ \mu\|_p + \|a \circ \lambda\|_p)],$$

$$(3.4) \quad \|x \circ \mu - y \circ \lambda\|_p \leq c[\|a \circ \mu - a \circ \lambda\|_p + \|B \circ \mu - B \circ \lambda\|_{p,q} (\|a \circ \mu\|_p + \|a \circ \lambda\|_p)].$$

Proof. We get

$$(3.5) \quad x(t) - y(t) = \int_0^t B(t, s) [x(\mu(s)) - y(\lambda(s))] ds,$$

$$(3.6) \quad \begin{aligned} x(\mu(t)) - y(\lambda(t)) &= a(\mu(t)) - a(\lambda(t)) + \\ &+ \int_0^{\mu(t)} B(\mu(t), s) x(\mu(s)) ds - \int_0^{\lambda(t)} B(\lambda(t), s) y(\lambda(s)) ds = \\ &= a(\mu(t)) - a(\lambda(t)) + \int_0^{\mu(t)} [B(\mu(t), s) - B(\lambda(t), s)] x(\mu(s)) ds + \\ &+ \int_0^{\mu(t)} B(\lambda(t), s) [x(\mu(s)) - y(\lambda(s))] ds - \int_{\mu(t)}^{\lambda(t)} B(\lambda(t), s) y(\lambda(s)) ds \end{aligned}$$

from (I) and (3.2). Let us put (for $t, s \in J$)

$$\begin{aligned} z(t) &= |x(\mu(t)) - y(\lambda(t))|, \quad b(t, s) = |B(\lambda(t), s)|, \\ f_1(t) &= |a(\mu(t)) - a(\lambda(t))|, \end{aligned}$$

$$f_2(t) = \int_0^t |B(\mu(t), s) - B(\lambda(t), s)| |x(\mu(s))| ds,$$

$$f_3(t) = \left| \int_{\mu(t)}^{\lambda(t)} B(\lambda(t), s) y(\lambda(s)) ds \right|,$$

$$f = f_1 + f_2 + f_3.$$

We get

$$z(t) \leq f(t) + \int_0^t b(t, s) z(s) ds, \quad t \in J,$$

from (3,6). Clearly $z, f \in L_1^{p,1}$; $b \in \mathbf{B}_1^{p,1}$. Using Lemma 1 and (3,1) we get

$$(3,7) \quad \|z\|_p \leq c \|f\|_p$$

(c denotes constants depending only on g, h). Using Lemma 2 we obtain

$$(3,8) \quad \|f_2\|_p \leq \|B \circ \mu - B \circ \lambda\|_{p,q} \|x \circ \mu\|_p \leq c \|B \circ \mu - B \circ \lambda\|_{p,q} \|a \circ \mu\|_p.$$

$f_3(t) = 0$ if $\lambda(t) \leq \mu(t)$ because $B(\lambda(t), s) = 0$ for $s > \lambda(t)$. For $\lambda(t) > \mu(t)$ it holds

$$\begin{aligned} f_3(t) &= \left| \int_{\mu(t)}^{\lambda(t)} [B(\mu(t), s) - B(\lambda(t), s)] y(\lambda(s)) ds \right| \leq \\ &\leq \int_0^t |B(\mu(t), s) - B(\lambda(t), s)| |y(\lambda(s))| ds. \end{aligned}$$

Using this and Lemma 2 we get

$$(3,9) \quad \|f_3\|_p \leq \|B \circ \mu - B \circ \lambda\|_{p,q} \|y \circ \lambda\|_p \leq c \|B \circ \mu - B \circ \lambda\|_{p,q} \|a \circ \lambda\|_p.$$

(3,5) implies

$$(3,10) \quad \|x - y\|_p \leq c \|x \circ \mu - y \circ \lambda\|_p = c \|z\|_p.$$

(3,3–4) follows from (3,7–10).

4. Assumptions. Let

$$\mu_\nu \in \mathcal{M}, \quad B \in \mathbf{B}_n^{p, \mu_\nu}(J), \quad a \in L_n^{p, \mu_\nu}(J),$$

let x_ν be the solution of (I) with $\mu = \mu_\nu$ for $\nu = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

5. Assumptions. Let

$$(5,1) \quad \|a \circ \mu_2\|_p \leq \alpha < \infty;$$

$$(5,2) \quad |B(t, s)|, |B(\mu_\nu(t), s)| \leq g(t) h(s); \quad t, s \in J;$$

for $v = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ where $g \in L^p(J)$, $h \in L^q(J)$;

$$(5,3) \quad \|a \circ \mu_v - a \circ \mu_0\|_p \rightarrow 0, \quad v \rightarrow \infty;$$

$$(5,4) \quad \|B \circ \mu_v - B \circ \mu_0\|_{p,q} \rightarrow 0, \quad v \rightarrow \infty,$$

6. Corollary. *Let the assumptions 4,5 hold. Then $\|x_v - x_0\| \rightarrow 0$, $\|x_v \circ \mu_v - x_0 \circ \mu_0\| \rightarrow 0$ if $v \rightarrow \infty$.*

Proof follows from Lemma 3.

7. Theorem. *Let the assumptions 4 hold. Let $p < \infty$,*

$$(7,1) \quad |a(u) - a(v)| \leq A |u - v|^{1/p}; \quad u, v \in J;$$

$$(7,2) \quad |B(u, s) - B(v, s)| \leq \beta(s) |u - v|^{1/p}; \quad s, u, v \in J,$$

where A is a constant, $\beta \in L^q$;

$$(7,3) \quad \|\mu_v - \mu_0\|_1 \rightarrow 0, \quad v \rightarrow \infty;$$

$$(7,4) \quad \sup_v |\mu_v - \mu_0| \leq \mu \in L^1.$$

Then $x_v \rightarrow x_0$ for $v \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof. (7,1–4) imply the assumptions 5. Now we apply Corollary 6.

8. Lemma. *Let $B, K \in \mathbf{B}_n^{p,\mu}$, $a \in L_n^{p,\mu}$, let x be a solution of (I), y a solution of*

$$(8,1) \quad y(t) = a(t) + \int_0^t K(t, s) y(\mu(s)) ds, \quad t \in J.$$

Then there exists a constant c depending only on the functions g_B, h_B, g_K, h_K so that

$$(8,2) \quad \|x - y\|_p \leq c[\|B - K\|_{p,q} + \|B \circ \mu - K \circ \mu\|_{p,q}] \|a \circ \mu\|_p,$$

$$(8,3) \quad \|x \circ \mu - y \circ \mu\|_p \leq c\|B \circ \mu - K \circ \mu\|_{p,q} \|a \circ \mu\|_p$$

hold.

Proof. It follows

$$(8,4) \quad |x(t) - y(t)| \leq \int_J |B(t, s)| |x(\mu(s)) - y(\mu(s))| ds + \\ + \int_J |B(t, s) - K(t, s)| |y(\mu(s))| ds, \quad t \in J;$$

$$(8,5) \quad |x(\mu(t)) - y(\mu(t))| \leq \int_J |B(\mu(t), s)| |x(\mu(s)) - y(\mu(s))| ds + \\ + \int_J |B(\mu(t), s) - K(\mu(t), s)| |y(\mu(s))| ds$$

from (I) and (8,1). Using this and Lemmas 1 and 2 we obtain (8,3) and, using (8,4), (8,2) as well.

9. Corollary. Let $B_v \in B_n^{p,\mu}(J)$; $|B_v(t, s)|, |B_v(\mu(t), s)| \leq g(t) h(s)$ where $g \in L^p$, $h \in L^q$, let x_v be the solution of (I) with $B = B_v$ for $v = 0, 1, 2, \dots$. Let $a \in L_n^{p,\mu}(J)$, $\|B_v - B_0\|_{p,q} \rightarrow 0$, $\|B_v \circ \mu - B_0 \circ \mu\|_{p,q} \rightarrow 0$ if $v \rightarrow \infty$. Then

$$\|x_v - x_0\|_p \rightarrow 0, \quad \|x_v \circ \mu - x_0 \circ \mu\|_p \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{if } v \rightarrow \infty.$$

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