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ON THE CONTINUOUS SOLUTIONS OF A FUNCTIONAL EQUATION  
CONTAINING ITERATIONS OF THE UNKNOWN FUNCTION

Let there be given the functional equation

$$(1) \quad \varphi(x) = h(x, \varphi(x), \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi]), \dots, \varphi(\hat{f}_n^1[x, \varphi])),$$

where the expressions  $\hat{f}_j^1[x, \varphi]$  ( $j=1, \dots, n$ ) are defined by the recurrent formula

$$(2) \quad \begin{cases} \hat{f}_j^{q_j} [x, \varphi] := f_j^{q_j}(x, \varphi(x)) \\ \hat{f}_j^m [x, \varphi] := f_j^m(x, \varphi(\hat{f}_j^{m+1} [x, \varphi])), \quad m=1, \dots, q_j-1, \quad j=1, \dots, n, \end{cases}$$

and  $q_j$  ( $j=1, \dots, n$ ) are fixed natural numbers. The functions  $h, f_j^m$  ( $m=1, \dots, q_j, j=1, \dots, n$ ) involved in equation (1) are given functions, whereas  $\varphi$  is the unknown function.

The problem of the existence of continuous (or lipschitzian) solutions of a functional equation containing iterations of the unknown function was studied by many authors (see e.g. [1] - [6]).

The existence of a unique solution of equation (1) in the class of functions lipschitzian in arbitrary metric spaces was investigated by the author of this paper in [3]. Here we are going to prove by means of Schauder's principle a theorem on the existence of solutions of equation (1) in a class which

is narrower than  $C^0$ , but contains the class of lipschitzian functions. This theorem yields a generalization of Theorem 3 established by H. Adamczyk in paper [1].

In order to prove the existence of a solution  $\varphi$  of equation (1) we admit that the given functions  $h, f_j^m$  satisfy the following assumptions:

$$1^0 \quad h : X \times Y^{n+1} \rightarrow Y$$

$$f_j^m : X \times Y \rightarrow X \quad m = 1, \dots, q_j; \quad j = 1, \dots, n,$$

where  $(X, \varrho)$  is a compact and connected metric space and  $(Y, \|\cdot\|)$  is a finite-dimensional Banach space.

2<sup>0</sup> There exist  $\xi \in X, \eta \in Y$  such that

$$(3) \quad f_j^m(\xi, \eta) = \xi, \quad h(\xi, \eta, \dots, \eta) = \eta,$$

$$m = 1, \dots, q_j, \quad j = 1, \dots, n.$$

3<sup>0</sup> The function  $h$  is continuous in its domain of definition and satisfies the following condition:

for arbitrary points  $x, \bar{x} \in X, y_1, \bar{y}_1 \in Y$  ( $i = 0, \dots, n$ ) such that

$$\|y_1 - \bar{y}_1\| \leq 2\omega(\varrho(x, \bar{x})), \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

holds

$$(4) \quad \|h(x, y_0, y_1, \dots, y_n) - h(\bar{x}, \bar{y}_0, \dots, \bar{y}_n)\| \leq \omega(\varrho(x, \bar{x})),$$

where  $\omega$  is a real function defined, continuous and strictly increasing in the interval  $\langle 0, d \rangle$ , with  $d = \text{diam } X$ , and satisfying the equality  $\omega(0) = 0$ .

4<sup>0</sup> The functions  $f_j^m$  ( $m = 1, \dots, q_j; j = 1, \dots, n$ ) are continuous and satisfy the conditions:

(a) for arbitrary points  $x, \bar{x} \in X, u, \bar{u} \in Y$  such that

$$\|u - \bar{u}\| \leq 2\omega(\varrho(x, \bar{x}))$$

there holds the inequality

$$(5) \quad \varrho(f_j^m(x, u), f_j^m(\bar{x}, \bar{u})) \leq \varrho(x, \bar{x}), \quad m=1, \dots, q_j, \quad j=1, \dots, n$$

(b) to any positive number  $\zeta$  there exists a positive number  $k_\zeta$  such that for all  $x, \bar{x} \in X$ ,  $u, \bar{u} \in Y$  such that  $\varrho(x, \bar{x}) \geq \zeta$  and  $\|u - \bar{u}\| \leq 2\omega(\varrho(x, \bar{x}))$  the following inequality holds

$$(6) \quad \varrho(f_j^1(x, u), f_j^1(\bar{x}, \bar{u})) \geq k_\zeta, \quad j=1, \dots, n.$$

Assume, moreover, the notation  $\hat{f}_0^1[x, u] := x$ ,  $x \in X$ .

**Theorem.** Under the assumptions  $1^\circ - 4^\circ$  the equation (1) has at least one solution  $\varphi: X \rightarrow Y$  bounded and satisfying the conditions

$$(7) \quad \varphi(\xi) = \eta, \quad \|\varphi(x) - \varphi(\bar{x})\| \leq \omega(\varrho(x, \bar{x})), \quad x, \bar{x} \in X.$$

**Proof.** To prove the theorem we shall make use of Schauder's fixed point theorem as well as of the Arzelá-Ascoli theorem (see [7], p.164).

Consider the space  $\mathcal{F}$  whose points are the functions  $\varphi: X \rightarrow Y$  continuous and bounded in  $X$ . Let the norm of the point  $\varphi$  of the space  $\mathcal{F}$  be defined by the equality

$$(8) \quad \|\varphi\| := \sup_{x \in X} \|\varphi(x)\|.$$

The space  $\mathcal{F}$  under the norm (8) is a Banach space. In this space we shall consider the set  $A$  of all its points  $\varphi$  which satisfy the conditions (7).

We shall prove that the set  $A$  is convex. Indeed, for arbitrary  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in A$  and  $t \in \langle 0, 1 \rangle$  we have, by the first of conditions (7), the equality

$$(t\varphi_1 + (1-t)\varphi_2)(\xi) = t\varphi_1(\xi) + (1-t)\varphi_2(\xi) = \eta.$$

Using the property of the norm and the second of conditions (7) we get the inequality

$$\| (t\varphi_1 + (1-t)\varphi_2)(x) - (t\varphi_1 + (1-t)\varphi_2)(\bar{x}) \| \leq \omega(\varrho(x, \bar{x}), \quad x, \bar{x} \in X.$$

Hence  $t\varphi_1 + (1-t)\varphi_2$  satisfies conditions (7) and  $A$  is a convex set.

We shall now prove that  $A$  is a set of equicontinuous functions. Let  $\varepsilon$  be an arbitrary real positive number. There exists a  $\delta = \omega^{-1}(\varepsilon)$  such that the condition  $\varrho(x, \bar{x}) < \delta$ , ( $x, \bar{x} \in X$ ), implies the inequality  $\|\varphi(x) - \varphi(\bar{x})\| < \varepsilon$  for any  $\varphi \in A$ . Indeed, for  $\varphi \in A$  we have (by inequality (7))

$$\|\varphi(x) - \varphi(\bar{x})\| \leq \omega(\varrho(x, \bar{x})) < \omega(\omega^{-1}(\varepsilon)) = \varepsilon,$$

which means that the functions  $\varphi$  of the set  $A$  are equicontinuous.

Taking into account the form of equation (1) we submit the set  $A$  to the operation  $\psi = T[\varphi]$  defined by the equality

$$(9) \quad \psi(x) = h(x, \varphi(x), \varphi(\hat{x}_1^1[x, \varphi]), \dots, \varphi(\hat{x}_n^1[x, \varphi])), \quad x \in X.$$

We shall prove that the operation  $T$  maps the set  $A$  into itself. Let  $\varphi \in A$ . The first of conditions (7) is satisfied for  $\psi = T[\varphi]$ , since by assumption 2° we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(\xi) &= h(\xi, \varphi(\xi), \varphi(\hat{x}_1^1[\xi, \varphi]), \dots, \varphi(\hat{x}_n^1[\xi, \varphi])) = \\ &= h(\xi, \eta, \dots, \eta) = \eta. \end{aligned}$$

Let us now show that the second of conditions (7) is also satisfied for  $\psi = T[\varphi]$ . To this aim we shall first prove that for all  $x, \bar{x} \in X$  the following inequality holds

$$\varrho(\hat{f}_1^m[x, \varphi], \hat{f}_1^m[\bar{x}, \varphi]) \leq \varrho(x, \bar{x}), \quad m = 1, \dots, q_1; \quad i = 1, \dots, n.$$

Now, for all  $x, \bar{x} \in X$  we have, by virtue of definition (2), of the second of conditions (7) and of assumption 4<sup>0</sup>(a), the inequality

$$\varrho(\hat{f}_1^{q_1}[x, \varphi], \hat{f}_1^{q_1}[\bar{x}, \varphi]) = \varrho(f_1^{q_1}(x, \varphi(x)), f_1^{q_1}(\bar{x}, \varphi(\bar{x}))) \leq \varrho(x, \bar{x}),$$

( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ).

Hence, by the second of conditions (7), we get

$$\|\varphi(\hat{f}_1^{q_1}[x, \varphi]) - \varphi(\hat{f}_1^{q_1}[\bar{x}, \varphi])\| \leq \omega(\varrho(x, \bar{x})), \quad (i=1, \dots, n),$$

From this inequality and from assumption 4<sup>0</sup>(a) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \varrho(\hat{f}_1^{q_1-1}[x, \varphi], \hat{f}_1^{q_1-1}[\bar{x}, \varphi]) &= \varrho(f_1^{q_1-1}(x, \varphi(\hat{f}_1^{q_1}[x, \varphi])), \\ f_1^{q_1-1}(\bar{x}, \varphi(\hat{f}_1^{q_1}[\bar{x}, \varphi]))) &\leq \varrho(x, \bar{x}) \quad \text{for all } x, \bar{x} \in X, i=1, \dots, n. \end{aligned}$$

An analogous argument leads to the following estimate

$$\varrho(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi], \hat{f}_1^1[\bar{x}, \varphi]) \leq \varrho(x, \bar{x}) \quad \text{for } x, \bar{x} \in X, i=1, \dots, n.$$

Hence, using the second of conditions (7) and the notation  $\hat{f}_0^1[x, \varphi] = x$  we obtain for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$  the inequality

$$(10) \quad \|\varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi]) - \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[\bar{x}, \varphi])\| \leq \omega(\varrho(x, \bar{x})), \quad x, \bar{x} \in X.$$

From inequality (10), assumption 3<sup>0</sup> and definition (9) it follows that

$$\|\psi(x) - \psi(\bar{x})\| \leq \omega(\varrho(x, \bar{x})), \quad x, \bar{x} \in X,$$

whence we conclude that  $T(A) \subset A$ .

We shall prove that the operation  $T$  defined by equation (9) is continuous; that is to say, we have to show that if  $\varphi_p, \varphi \in A$  satisfy the relation

$$(11) \quad \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|\varphi_p - \varphi\| = 0,$$

then for the points  $\psi_p = T[\varphi_p]$ ,  $\psi = T[\varphi]$  of the set  $T(A)$  the following equality holds

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|\psi_p - \psi\| = 0.$$

Let  $\varepsilon$  be an arbitrary real positive number. To the number  $\varepsilon$  we choose an  $\bar{\varepsilon} = \bar{\varepsilon}(\varepsilon)$  such that

$$(12) \quad 0 < \bar{\varepsilon} < \varepsilon$$

and that, for any fixed  $x \in X$ , the set  $X_{\bar{\varepsilon}}$  of points  $\bar{x} \in X$  defined as follows

$$(13) \quad X_{\bar{\varepsilon}} = \left\{ \bar{x} \in X : \omega^{-1}\left(\frac{\bar{\varepsilon}}{k}\right) \leq \varrho(x, \bar{x}) < \omega^{-1}\left(\frac{\bar{\varepsilon}}{2}\right) \right\}, \quad k > 2$$

is non-void.

Let us now examine the distance between the points  $\psi_p, \psi$  of the set  $T(A)$ . For this purpose we shall estimate the distance  $\|\psi_p(x) - \psi(x)\|$  which is given by the formula

$$(14) \quad \begin{aligned} \|\psi_p(x) - \psi(x)\| &= \\ &= \|h(x, \varphi_p(x), \varphi_p(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p]), \dots, \varphi_p(\hat{f}_n^1[x, \varphi_p])) - \\ &- h(x, \varphi(x), \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi]), \dots, (\hat{f}_n^1[x, \varphi]))\| \end{aligned}$$

and satisfies the inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
 (15) \quad & \|\psi_p(x) - \psi(x)\| \leq \\
 & \leq \|h(x, \varphi_p(x), \varphi_p(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p]), \dots, \varphi_p(\hat{f}_n^1[x, \varphi_p])) - \\
 & - h(\bar{x}, \varphi(\bar{x}), \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[\bar{x}, \varphi]), \dots, \varphi(\hat{f}_n^1[\bar{x}, \varphi]))\| + \\
 & + \|h(\bar{x}, \varphi(\bar{x}), \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[\bar{x}, \varphi]), \dots, \varphi(\hat{f}_n^1[\bar{x}, \varphi])) - \\
 & - h(x, \varphi(x), \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi]), \dots, \varphi(\hat{f}_n^1[x, \varphi]))\|
 \end{aligned}$$

for any fixed  $x \in X$  and for  $\bar{x} \in X_\varepsilon$ . Consider the second term of the sum (15). Now, by formulas (7) and (9) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \|h(\bar{x}, \varphi(\bar{x}), \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[\bar{x}, \varphi]), \dots, \varphi(\hat{f}_n^1[\bar{x}, \varphi])) - \\
 & - h(x, \varphi(x), \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi]), \dots, \varphi(\hat{f}_n^1[x, \varphi]))\| \leq \omega(\varrho(x, \bar{x})).
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking into account the definition (13) we obtain for the second term of the sum (15) the following estimate

$$\begin{aligned}
 (16) \quad & \|h(\bar{x}, \varphi(\bar{x}), \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[\bar{x}, \varphi]), \dots, \varphi(\hat{f}_n^1[\bar{x}, \varphi])) - \\
 & - h(x, \varphi(x), \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi]), \dots, \varphi(\hat{f}_n^1[x, \varphi]))\| < \\
 & < \omega\left(\omega^{\tau^1}\left(\frac{\bar{\varepsilon}}{2}\right)\right) = \frac{\bar{\varepsilon}}{2}, \quad x \in X, \quad \bar{x} \in X_\varepsilon.
 \end{aligned}$$

Turning now to the first term of the sum (15) let us consider the expression  $\|\varphi_p(x) - \varphi(\bar{x})\|$  which we majorize as follows

$$(17) \quad \|\varphi_p(x) - \varphi(\bar{x})\| \leq \|\varphi_p(x) - \varphi(x)\| + \|\varphi(x) - \varphi(\bar{x})\|.$$

From condition (11) it follows that to the previously fixed number  $\bar{\varepsilon} > 0$  we can find an  $N_{\bar{\varepsilon}}$  such that for  $p > N_{\bar{\varepsilon}}$  the following inequality holds

$$\|\varphi_p(x) - \varphi(x)\| < \frac{\bar{\varepsilon}}{k}.$$

By definition (13) we have for any  $\bar{x} \in X_{\varepsilon}$

$$\omega^{-1}\left(\frac{\bar{\varepsilon}}{k}\right) \leq \varrho(x, \bar{x}),$$

The function  $\omega$  is strictly increasing, hence

$$\frac{\bar{\varepsilon}}{k} \leq \omega(\varrho(x, \bar{x})).$$

Therefore

$$(18) \quad \|\varphi_p(x) - \varphi(x)\| \leq \omega(\varrho(x, \bar{x})) \quad \text{for } x \in X, \bar{x} \in X_{\varepsilon}.$$

Making use of (7), (17) and (18) we get (for  $p > N_{\bar{\varepsilon}}$ ) the relation

$$(19) \quad \|\varphi_p(x) - \varphi(\bar{x})\| \leq 2\omega(\varrho(x, \bar{x})) \quad \text{for } x \in X, \bar{x} \in X_{\varepsilon}.$$

By a similar argument we can majorize the expression

$$\|\varphi_p(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p]) - \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[\bar{x}, \varphi])\|, \quad \text{for } i=1, 2, \dots, n.$$

Now, applying the triangular inequality to the norm we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\varphi_p(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p]) - \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[\bar{x}, \varphi])\| \leq \\ & \|\varphi_p(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p]) - \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p])\| + \|\varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p]) - \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[\bar{x}, \varphi])\|, \end{aligned}$$



whence, by the second of conditions (7) we obtain

$$(20) \quad \|\varphi_p(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p]) - \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[\bar{x}, \varphi])\| \leq \|\varphi_p(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p]) - \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p])\| + \omega(\varrho(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p], \hat{f}_1^1[\bar{x}, \varphi])).$$

From assumption (11) it follows that to the previously fixed number  $\bar{\varepsilon} > 0$  we can choose an  $N'_\varepsilon$  such that for  $p > N'_\varepsilon$  the following inequality holds

$$(21) \quad \|\varphi_p(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p]) - \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p])\| < \frac{\bar{\varepsilon}}{k_1}, \quad k_1 > 0.$$

Let us note, moreover, that by a procedure similar to the proof of inequality (10) we deduce from conditions (11), (19) and assumption 4<sup>0</sup>(a), for all  $x \in X$ ,  $\bar{x} \in X_\varepsilon$ , the inequality

$$(22) \quad \|\varphi_p(\hat{f}_1^2[x, \varphi_p]) - \varphi(\hat{f}_1^2[\bar{x}, \varphi])\| \leq 2\omega(\varrho(x, \bar{x})),$$

$$i = 1, 2, \dots, n, \quad p > N''_\varepsilon.$$

To the number  $\zeta = \omega^{-1}\left(\frac{\bar{\varepsilon}}{k}\right)$  we can choose, by assumption 4<sup>0</sup>(b), a number  $k_\zeta = \omega^{-1}\left(\frac{\bar{\varepsilon}}{k_1}\right)$  such that for all the  $x, \bar{x} \in X$  for which  $\varrho(x, \bar{x}) \geq \omega^{-1}\left(\frac{\bar{\varepsilon}}{k}\right)$  and (22) are satisfied the following inequality holds

$$\varrho(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p], \hat{f}_1^1[\bar{x}, \varphi]) \geq \omega^{-1}\left(\frac{\bar{\varepsilon}}{k_1}\right).$$

From this inequality and from the fact that  $\omega$  is a monotone increasing function it follows that

$$\frac{\bar{\varepsilon}}{k_1} \leq \omega(\varrho(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p], \hat{f}_1^1[\bar{x}, \varphi])).$$

Combining this with inequality (21) we get

$$(23) \quad \|\varphi_p(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p]) - \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p])\| < \\ < \omega(\varrho(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p], \hat{f}_1^1[\bar{x}, \varphi])) \quad \text{for } i=1, \dots, n, x \in X, \bar{x} \in X_\varepsilon.$$

Using (20) and (23) we obtain for  $p > \max(N'_\varepsilon, N''_\varepsilon)$  the relation

$$(24) \quad \|\varphi_p(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p]) - \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[\bar{x}, \varphi])\| < 2\omega(\varrho(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p], \hat{f}_1^1[\bar{x}, \varphi])),$$

which is true for  $x \in X, \bar{x} \in X_\varepsilon, i = 1, \dots, n$ .

From relations (19) and (24) we conclude, by virtue of assumption 3<sup>0</sup>, that for  $p > \max(N'_\varepsilon, N''_\varepsilon)$  the following inequality holds

$$\|h(x, \varphi_p(x), \varphi_p(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p]), \dots, \varphi_p(\hat{f}_n^1[x, \varphi_p])) - h(\bar{x}, \varphi(\bar{x}), \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[\bar{x}, \varphi]), \\ \dots, \varphi(\hat{f}_n^1[\bar{x}, \varphi]))\| \leq \omega(\varrho(x, \bar{x})), \quad x \in X, \quad \bar{x} \in X_\varepsilon,$$

whence, taking into account (13), we get the following estimate

$$(25) \quad \|h(x, \varphi_p(x), \varphi_p(\hat{f}_1^1[x, \varphi_p]), \dots, \varphi_p(\hat{f}_n^1[x, \varphi_p])) - \\ - h(\bar{x}, \varphi(\bar{x}), \varphi(\hat{f}_1^1[\bar{x}, \varphi]), \dots, \varphi(\hat{f}_n^1[\bar{x}, \varphi]))\| < \frac{\bar{\varepsilon}}{2}.$$

Finally, by inequalities (12), (15), (16) and (25) we obtain

$$\|\psi_p(x) - \psi(x)\| < \varepsilon \quad \text{for } x \in X, \quad p > \max(N'_\varepsilon, N''_\varepsilon).$$

Thus the inequality  $\|\psi_p - \psi\| < \varepsilon$  holds for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  and for  $p > \max(N'_\varepsilon, N''_\varepsilon)$ ; that is to say, the operation  $T$  defined by equality (9) is continuous.

To prove that the assumptions of Schauder's theorem are satisfied, we have merely to show that the set  $A$  is compact.

To this purpose we have to show that for any  $x \in X$  the set  $B_x := \bigcup_{\varphi \in A} \{\varphi(x)\}$  is compact in  $Y$ . Let  $y_1, y_2 \in B_x$ . From the definition of the set  $B_x$  it follows that

$$y_1 = \varphi_1(x), \quad y_2 = \varphi_2(x), \quad \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in A.$$

By inequality (7) and assumption 1° we have

$$\|y_1 - y_2\| = \|\varphi_1(x) - \varphi_2(x)\| \leq 2\omega(\varrho(x, \xi)).$$

From this inequality it follows that the set  $B_x$  is bounded. Hence the set  $B_x$  is compact in  $Y$ . By Theorem 10.1 of [7], p.164, the set  $A$  is compact in  $\mathcal{F}$ . The set  $A$ , being a closed subset of the set  $\mathcal{F}$ , is compact.

Since all the assumptions of Schauder's theorem are satisfied, there exists at least one solution  $\varphi: X \rightarrow Y$  of equation (1) satisfying conditions (7), which completes the proof of our theorem.

**E x a m p l e .** Consider the equation

$$\varphi(x) = \frac{251}{512}x - \frac{3}{512}\sin\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{64}\varphi(x) + \frac{1}{32}\varphi\left(\frac{1}{8}x + \frac{3}{8}\sin\varphi(x)\right),$$

where  $\varphi$  is the unknown function,  $x \in X := \langle -1, 1 \rangle$ . Assume  $Y := (-\infty, \infty)$ ,  $\omega: \langle 0, 2 \rangle \rightarrow \langle 0, 2 \rangle$ ,  $\omega(t) = t$ . The given functions involved in the equation:  $h: X \times Y^2 \rightarrow Y$ ,  $f_1^1: X \times Y \rightarrow X$  are defined as follows

$$h(x, y_0, y_1) = \frac{251}{512}x - \frac{3}{512}\sin\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{64}y_0 + \frac{1}{32}y_1, \quad x \in X, y_0, y_1 \in Y,$$

$$f_1^1(x, u) = \frac{1}{8}x + \frac{3}{8}\sin u, \quad x \in X, u \in Y$$

and are continuous in their domains of definition and satisfy assumptions  $1^0$ ,  $2^0$  of our theorem.

Let us show that the remaining assumptions of the theorem are also satisfied. Now, for all  $x, \bar{x} \in X$ ,  $y_i, \bar{y}_i \in Y$ ,  $i=0,1$  such that

$$|y_i - \bar{y}_i| \leq 2 |x - \bar{x}|, \quad (i=0,1)$$

we have the inequality

$$|h(x, y_0, y_1) - h(\bar{x}, \bar{y}_0, \bar{y}_1)| \leq \frac{601}{1024} |x - \bar{x}|.$$

Hence the function  $h$  satisfies the conditions of assumption  $3^0$  of the theorem. Moreover, let us note that for arbitrary  $x, \bar{x} \in X$ ,  $u, \bar{u} \in Y$  the following estimate holds

$$|f_1^1(x, u) - f_1^1(\bar{x}, \bar{u})| \leq \frac{1}{8} |x - \bar{x}| + \frac{3}{8} |u - \bar{u}|.$$

Hence, using the condition  $|u - \bar{u}| \leq 2 |x - \bar{x}|$ , we get

$$|f_1^1(x, u) - f_1^1(\bar{x}, \bar{u})| \leq \frac{7}{8} |x - \bar{x}|.$$

The function  $f_1^1$  satisfies the conditions of assumption  $4^0(a)$ .

Let us prove that assumption  $4^0(b)$  is also satisfied. To any real number  $\zeta > 0$  there exists a positive number  $k_\zeta$  (say  $k_\zeta = \frac{5}{8} \zeta$ ) such that for all  $x, \bar{x} \in X$ ,  $u, \bar{u} \in Y$  such that

$$|x - \bar{x}| \geq \zeta, \quad |u - \bar{u}| \leq 2 |x - \bar{x}|$$

the following inequality holds

$$|f_1^1(x, u) - f_1^1(\bar{x}, \bar{u})| \geq \left| \frac{1}{8} |x - \bar{x}| - \frac{3}{8} |u - \bar{u}| \right| \geq \frac{5}{8} |x - \bar{x}| \geq \frac{5}{8} \zeta.$$

Hence the given functions  $f_1^1$ ,  $h$ , involved in the considered equation, satisfy the assumptions of the theorem.

It is easy to see that the function  $\varphi: X \rightarrow Y$  defined by the formula  $\varphi(x) = \frac{1}{2}x$  is in the set  $X$  a solution of the considered equation and that it satisfies conditions (7).

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