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

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

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

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

2⁰ There exist $\xi \in X, \eta \in Y$ such that

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

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

3⁰ The function h is continuous in its domain of definition and satisfies the following condition:

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

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

holds

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

where ω 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 $\omega(0) = 0$.

4⁰ 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

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

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 ζ there exists a positive number k_ζ 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^o - 4^o 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 φ 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 φ 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

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

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 ε be an arbitrary real positive number. There exists a $\delta = \omega^{-1}(\varepsilon)$ such that the condition $\varphi(x, \bar{x}) < \delta$, $(x, \bar{x} \in X)$, implies the inequality $\|\varphi(x) - \varphi(\bar{x})\| < \varepsilon$ for any $\varphi \in A$. Indeed, for $\varphi \in A$ we have (by inequality (7))

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

which means that the functions φ 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

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

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

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

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 4⁰(a), the inequality

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

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

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

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

From this inequality and from assumption 4⁰(a) it follows that

$$\varrho(\hat{f}_1^{q_i-1}[x, \varphi], \hat{f}_1^{q_i-1}[\bar{x}, \varphi]) = \varrho(f_1^{q_i-1}(x, \varphi(\hat{f}_1^{q_i}[x, \varphi])),$$

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

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

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

From inequality (10), assumption 3⁰ 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 ε be an arbitrary real positive number. To the number ε 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_ε of points $\bar{x} \in X$ defined as follows

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

is non-empty.

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

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

and satisfies the inequality

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

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

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

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 ω 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

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

Now, applying the triangular inequality to the norm we get

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

To the number $\zeta = \omega^{-1}\left(\frac{\bar{\varepsilon}}{k}\right)$ we can choose, by assumption 4°(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 $\varrho(x, \bar{x}) > \omega^{-1}\left(\frac{\bar{\varepsilon}}{k}\right)$ and (22) are satisfied the following inequality holds

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

From this inequality and from the fact that ω is a monotone increasing function it follows that

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

Combining this with inequality (21) we get

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

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

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

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 3⁰, that for $p > \max(\frac{N'}{\varepsilon}, \frac{N'}{\varepsilon}, \frac{N''}{\varepsilon})$ 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

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

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

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

Thus the inequality $\|\psi_p - \psi\| < \varepsilon$ holds for any $\varepsilon > 0$ and for $p > \max(\frac{N'}{\varepsilon}, \frac{N'}{\varepsilon}, \frac{N''}{\varepsilon})$; 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

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

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.

Example. 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 φ 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^o, 2^o 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^o 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^o(a).

Let us prove that assumption 4^o(b) is also satisfied. To any real number $\zeta > 0$ there exists a positive number k_ζ (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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