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ASYMPTOTIC EQUIVALENCE OF DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION  
IN BANACH SPACE

1. The purpose of this paper is the study of the asymptotic equivalence between the solutions of the differential equations

$$(I) \quad x' = A(t)x + f(t, x, T(x)) \quad \text{and} \quad (II) \quad x' = A(t)x$$

in Banach space  $E$ . Here  $x, f$  are the elements of  $E$ ,  $A(t)$  is a linear operator on  $E$ . More precisely, we give some conditions which guarantee that for each bounded solution  $y: J \rightarrow E$  ( $J = \langle 0, \infty \rangle$ ,  $E$ -Banach space with norm  $\|\cdot\|$ ) of (II) there exists a bounded solution  $x: J \rightarrow E$  of (I) such that

$$(*) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|x(t) - y(t)\| = 0$$

and conversely. We prove the existence of a homeomorphism between bounded solutions of (I) and (II).

In this paper we use some notations, definitions and results from [4]-[6].

Let  $\tilde{E}$  denote the space of continuous linear mappings  $E \rightarrow E$ ,  $C = C(J, E)$  the space of bounded continuous functions  $u: J \rightarrow E$  with the norm  $\|u\|_C = \sup \{ \|u(t)\| : t \in J \}$ ,  $L^1 = L^1(J, E)$  the space of Bochner integrable functions  $u: J \rightarrow E$  with norm

$$\|u\|_1 = \int_0^\infty \|u(t)\| dt,$$

and let  $L = L(J, E)$  represent the space of strongly measurable functions  $u: J \rightarrow E$ , Bochner integrable in every finite sub-interval  $J'$  of  $J$  with the topology of the convergence in the mean on every such  $J'$ , i.e. convergence in  $L^1(J', E)$  of the restrictions to  $J'$ . The symbol  $B(J, R)$  denotes a Banach function space such that:

- 1°  $B(J, R) \subset L(J, R)$  and  $B(J, R)$  is stronger than  $L(J, R)$ ,
- 2°  $B(J, R)$  is not stronger than  $L^1(J, R)$ ,
- 3°  $B(J, R)$  contains all essentially bounded functions with compact support,
- 4° if  $u \in B(J, R)$  and  $v$  is a real-valued measurable function on  $J$  such that  $|v| \leq |u|$ , then  $v \in B(J, R)$  and  $\|v\|_B \leq \|u\|_B$ .

By  $B = B(J, E)$  we represent the Banach space of all strongly measurable functions  $u: J \rightarrow E$  such that  $\|u(t)\| \in B(J, R)$  and with  $\|u\|_B = \|\|u(t)\|\|_B$ . Let  $A \in L(J, \widetilde{E})$ . Let  $U$  be the fundamental solution for (II), i.e.  $U$  is the continuously differentiable function from  $J$  to  $\widetilde{E}$  such that  $U(t_0) = I$  and  $U' = A(t)U$  whenever  $t \in J$ . Let  $E_1$  be the subspace of  $E$  to which  $x$  belongs if and only if the function from  $J$  to  $E$ , described by  $t \rightarrow U(t)x$ , is bounded. Let  $E_1$  be closed and have closed complement  $E_2$  such that  $E = E_1 \oplus E_2$ . Let  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  be supplementary projections of  $E$  onto  $E_1$  and  $E_2$ , respectively.

Assume that for every  $b \in B$  there exists at least one bounded solution of the differential equation

$$(III) \quad x' = A(t)x + b(t).$$

Then, by Theorem 51.2 of [5], there exists a constant  $K > 0$  such that for every  $b \in B$  the equation (III) has a unique bounded solution  $x$  with  $x(0) \in E_2$ , and this solution satisfies  $\|x\|_C \leq K\|b\|_B$ . For every  $b \in B$  denote by  $F(b)$  the bounded solution of (III) such that  $x(0) \in E_2$ . Then  $F$  is a mapping of  $B$  into  $C$  and

- 1°  $\|F(b)\|_C \leq K\|b\|_B$ ,
- 2°  $F(k_1 b_1 + k_2 b_2) = k_1 F(b_1) + k_2 F(b_2)$  for  $b_1, b_2 \in B$  and  $k_1, k_2 \in R$ .

Moreover, by [5] (Theorem 52.J),

$$(1) \quad F(b)(t) = \int_0^t U(t)P_1U^{-1}(s)b(s)ds - \int_t^\infty U(t)P_2U^{-1}(s)b(s)ds,$$

$t \in J,$

for every  $b \in B$  with compact support.

2. Consider the equation (I) in which  $(t, x, y) \mapsto f(t, x, y)$  is a function from  $J \times E \times E$  into  $E$ , continuous in  $x, y$  for any fixed  $t \in J$ , and strongly measurable in  $t$  for any fixed  $x, y \in E$ , and  $T: \bar{C}(J, E) \rightarrow \bar{C}(J, E)$  is continuous operator with  $T(0) = 0$ , the space  $\bar{C}(J, E)$  contains all continuous functions  $y: J \rightarrow E$ .

Theorem 1. If

1°  $r_0: J \times J \rightarrow J$  is continuous function such that

$$(i) \quad \sup_{\substack{a \leq z_1 \leq u \\ a \leq z_2 \leq v}} r_0(z_1, z_2) = r(u, v), \quad a > 0, \quad a \in R,$$

$$(ii) \quad \sup \left\{ \frac{r(u, v)}{\max(u, v)} : a \leq u, v \leq b \right\} < 1 \text{ for each } a, b, \quad 0 < a \leq b,$$

2° there exist a function  $h \in B(J, R)$  and a constant  $L_0 > 0$  such that  $K\|h\|_B \leq 1$ ,  $0 < L_0 \leq 1$  and

$$\|f(t, x, u) - f(t, y, v)\| \leq h(t) r_0(\|x - y\|, \|u - v\|)$$

for any  $x, y \in E$ ,  $u, v \in D \subset E$ ,  $t \in J$ , and the operator  $T$  satisfies the condition

$$\|T(x) - T(y)\|_{\bar{C}} \leq L_0 \|x - y\|_{\bar{C}} \quad \text{for any } x, y \in \bar{C}(J, E),$$

3°  $f(\cdot, 0, 0) \in B$ ,

then for any  $p \in E$ , there exists a unique bounded solution  $x(\cdot, p)$  of (I) with  $P_1x(\cdot, p) = p$  and

$$(2) \quad x = U(\cdot)P_1x(0) + F(f(\cdot, x, T(x))).$$

The method of the proof is the same as that of Theorem 1 from [6].

Consider now the integral equation

$$(3) \quad x(t) = U(t)p + \int_0^t U(t)P_1U^{-1}(s)f(s, x(s), T(x)(s))ds - \\ - \int_t^\infty U(t)P_2U^{-1}(s)f(s, x(s), T(x)(s))ds.$$

Clearly, (3) defines a mapping which can be written symbolically in the form

$$(4) \quad G_p x = U(\cdot)p + F(f(\cdot, x, T(x))).$$

**Lemma 1.** Let  $f(\cdot, 0, 0) = 0$  and  $m = \sup_{t \in J} \|U(t)P_1\|$ .

If the assumptions of Theorem 1 hold, then for each  $r_0 > 0$  and  $p \in S(r_1)$ , where

$$S(r_1) := \left\{ p : p \in E_1, \|p\| \leq r_1 = m^{-1}(r_0 - r(r_0, r_0)K\|h\|_B) \right\},$$

$G_p$  is a mapping of  $\sum(r_0) := \{x : x \in C, \|x\| \leq r_0\}$  into  $\sum(r_0)$  and is a contraction on  $\sum(r_0)$ .

**Proof.** For any  $x \in \sum(r_0)$  from (4) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|G_p x\|_C &\leq \|U(\cdot)p\|_C + \|F(f(\cdot, x, T(x)))\|_C \leq m\|p\| + K\|f(\cdot, x, T(x))\|_B \leq \\ &\leq m\|p\| + K\|h\|_B r(r_0, r_0) \leq r_0. \end{aligned}$$

From this it follows that  $G_p \sum(r_0) \subset \sum(r_0)$ .

Now we verify that the operator  $G_p$  is a contraction map. Let  $x_1, x_2 \in \sum(r_0)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \|G_p x_1 - G_p x_2\|_C &\leq K\|f(\cdot, x_1, T(x_1)) - f(\cdot, x_2, T(x_2))\|_B \leq \\ &\leq K\|h\|_B r(\|x_1 - x_2\|_C, \|x_1 - x_2\|_C). \end{aligned}$$

Applying Krasnoselskii's Theorem [6] we deduce that there exists  $x \in \sum(r_0)$  such that  $x = G_p x$ . This completes the proof of Lemma.

We define a mapping  $V$  as follows  $Vp = x$  for  $p \in S(r_1)$ , where  $x$  is a unique solution of the equation  $x = G_p x$  in  $\sum(r_0) \subset E$ . Let  $VS(r_1) = A$ .

**Lemma 2.** If  $V: S(r_1) \rightarrow \sum(r_0)$ , then  $V$  is a homeomorphism of  $S(r_1)$  onto  $\sum(r_0)$ , and  $V, V^{-1}$  satisfy Lipschitz's condition.

**Proof.** For any  $p_1, p_2 \in S(r_1)$  we have

$$\|U(t)(p_1 - p_2)\|_C \leq m \|p_1 - p_2\|.$$

Let  $x_1, x_2 \in A$  and  $Vp_1 = x_1$ ,  $Vp_2 = x_2$ . From the definition of the operator  $V$  we obtain

$$x_1 = U(\cdot)p_1 + F(f(\cdot, x_1, T(x_1))), \quad x_2 = U(\cdot)p_2 + F(f(\cdot, x_2, T(x_2)))$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_1 - x_2\|_C &\leq m \|p_1 - p_2\| + K \|h\|_B r(\|x_1 - x_2\|_C, \|x_1 - x_2\|_C) \leq \\ &\leq m \|p_1 - p_2\| + K \|h\|_B \|x_1 - x_2\|_C. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $V$  satisfies the Lipschitz condition

$$(5) \quad \|x_1 - x_2\|_C \leq m(1 - K \|h\|_B)^{-1} \|p_1 - p_2\|.$$

Conversely, for any  $x_1, x_2 \in \sum(r_0)$ , we have

$$(6) \quad \|p_1 - p_2\| \leq \|x_1 - x_2\|_C + K \|h\|_B \|x_1 - x_2\|_C = (1 + K \|h\|_B) \|x_1 - x_2\|_C,$$

so  $V^{-1}$  exists.

**Theorem 2.** Let the hypotheses of Theorem 1 and condition  $K \|h\|_B m(1 - K \|h\|_B)^{-1} < 1$  hold. Then the set  $S(r_1) \subset E$  is homeomorphic with some set  $H \subset E$  and

(a) for every point  $x(0) \in H$  there exists a continuable to infinity solution of (I),

(b) on the basis of a homeomorphism, the solutions  $y$  and  $x$  of (II) and (I) passing through the points  $p \in S(r_1)$  and  $x(\cdot) = Zp \in H$ , respectively, satisfy the inequality

$$\|x(t) - y(t)\| \leq mK\|h\|_B (1 - K\|h\|_B)^{-1} \|p\|,$$

(c) the mappings  $Zp = x(0)$  and  $Z^{-1}x(0) = p$  satisfy Lipschitz's condition, and furthermore

$$Zp = p + w_1(p), \quad Z^{-1}x(0) = x(0) + w_2(x(0)),$$

where  $w_1$  and  $w_2$  are such that

$$\|w_1(p_1) - w_1(p_2)\| \leq mK\|h\|_B (1 - K\|h\|_B)^{-1} \|p_1 - p_2\|,$$

$$\|w_2(x_1(0)) - w_2(x_2(0))\| \leq mK\|h\|_B (1 - K\|h\|_B (1 + m))^{-1} \|x_1(0) - x_2(0)\|.$$

Proof. Let  $H = \{x(0) : x(t) \in A\}$ . Let  $Z : S(r_1) \rightarrow H$ , where  $Zp = Vp|_{t=0} = x(0)$ . Then  $Z$  has inverse  $Z^{-1}$  defined by  $Z^{-1}x(0) = V^{-1}x(0) = p$ . For every  $p_1, p_2 \in S(r_1)$  and  $x_1(0) = Zp_1$ ,  $x_2(0) = Zp_2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_1(0) - x_2(0)\| &\leq \|p_1 - p_2\| + \|F(f(t, x_1(t)), T(x_1(t))) - \\ &\quad - F(f(t, x_2(t)), T(x_2(t)))\|_{t=0} \leq \|p_1 - p_2\| + K\|h\|_B \|x_1 - x_2\|_C. \end{aligned}$$

This implies, by (5), that

$$(7) \quad \|x_1(0) - x_2(0)\| \leq (1 + mK\|h\|_B (1 - K\|h\|_B)^{-1}) \|p_1 - p_2\|.$$

Analogically

$$\begin{aligned} \|p_1 - p_2\| &\leq \|x_1(0) - x_2(0)\| + K\|h\|_B \|x_1 - x_2\|_C \leq \\ &\leq \|x_1(0) - x_2(0)\| + mK\|h\|_B (1 - K\|h\|_B)^{-1} \|p_1 - p_2\|. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$(8) \quad \|p_1 - p_2\| \leq (1 - mK\|h\|_B (1 - K\|h\|_B)^{-1})^{-1} \|x_1(0) - x_2(0)\|,$$

so  $Z$  and  $Z^{-1}$  satisfy Lipschitz's condition (7) and (8), respectively. Let

$$w_1(p) = Zp - p = x(0) - p = F(f(t, x(t), T(x)(t)))|_{t=0},$$

$$w_2(x(0)) = Z^{-1}x(0) - x(0) = p - x(0) = -F(f(t, x(t), T(x)(t)))|_{t=0}.$$

Then

$$(9) \quad \begin{aligned} \|w_1(p_1) - w_1(p_2)\| &\leq \\ &\leq \sup_{t \in J} \|F(f(t, x_1(t), T(x_1)(t))) - F(f(t, x_2(t), T(x_2)(t)))\| \leq \\ &\leq mK\|h\|_B(1 - K\|h\|_B)^{-1}\|p_1 - p_2\| \end{aligned}$$

and, since  $w_2(x(0)) = -w_1(p)$ , by (9), (8), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|w_2(x_1(0)) - w_2(x_2(0))\| &= \|w_1(p_1) - w_1(p_2)\| \leq \\ &\leq mK\|h\|_B(1 - K\|h\|_B)^{-1}\|p_1 - p_2\| \leq \\ &\leq mK\|h\|_B(1 - K\|h\|_B(1+m))^{-1}\|x_1(0) - x_2(0)\| \end{aligned}$$

which proves the thesis (c). Using (5) and (8) we obtain the inequality

$$\|x_1 - x_2\|_C \leq m(1 - K\|h\|_B(1+m))^{-1}\|x_1(0) - x_2(0)\|.$$

Thus, for  $x \in A$ , we get

$$(10) \quad \|x\|_C \leq m(1 - K\|h\|_B(1+m))^{-1}\|x(0)\|$$

which proves the thesis (a).

Let  $y = U(\cdot)p$  be a bounded solution of (II). Then, for every bounded solution  $x$  of (I) with  $x(0) = Zp$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x(t) - y(t)\| &= \|F(f(t, x(t), T(x)(t)))\| \leq \\ &\leq K\|h\|_B\|x\|_C \leq mK\|h\|_B(1 - K\|h\|_B)^{-1}\|p\|. \end{aligned}$$

The proof of Theorem 2 is complete.

Theorem 3. If

- 1º the assumptions of Theorem 1 hold,
- 2º  $\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \|\chi_{[d, \infty)} b\|_B = 0$  for every  $b \in B(J, R)$ ,
- 3º  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|U(t)P_1\| = 0$ ,
- 4º  $f(\cdot, 0, 0) = 0$ ,

then  $(*)$  holds.

Proof. Let  $x$  be a bounded solution of (I). For any  $\tau \in J$  put

$$u_\tau = F(\chi_{[0, \tau]} f(\cdot, x, T(x))), \quad v_\tau = F(\chi_{[\tau, \infty)} f(\cdot, x, T(x))).$$

Because

$$\|\chi_{[\tau, \infty)}(t)f(t, x(t), T(x)(t))\| \leq \chi_{[\tau, \infty)}(t)h(t)r(\|x\|_C, \|x\|_C)$$

for  $t \in J$ , so we have

$$\|v_\tau\|_C \leq K \|\chi_{[\tau, \infty)} f(\cdot, x, T(x))\|_B \leq K \|\chi_{[\tau, \infty)} h(\cdot)\|_B r(\|x\|_C, \|x\|_C).$$

By assumption 2º,  $\lim_{\tau \rightarrow \infty} \|\chi_{[\tau, \infty)} h(\cdot)\|_B = 0$ , and therefore for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  we can choose  $\tau > 0$  such that  $\|v_\tau\|_C \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ . Moreover, by 3º,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|U(t)P_1\| = 0$ . Hence, there exists a  $t_0 > \tau$  such that

$$\|u_\tau(t)\| \leq \|U(t)P_1\| \left\| \int_0^\tau U^{-1}(s)f(s, x(s), T(x)(s))ds \right\| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

for  $t_0 \leq t$ . Let  $y = U(\cdot)p$  be a bounded solution of (II). Then for every fixed bounded solution of (I) with  $x(0) = Zp$  we have

$$\|x(t) - y(t)\| \leq \|u_\tau(t)\| + \|v_\tau(t)\| \leq \varepsilon$$

for  $t \geq t_0$ , which implies  $(*)$  ( $\varepsilon$  being arbitrary).

**Remark 1.** Theorem 3 is a generalization of an analogous result of [2] for  $E = \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $B = L^p$ ,  $p = 1$  and  $r(u, v) = qu$ ,  $q < 1$ , and of [3] for  $E = \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $B = L^p$ ,  $p = 1$ .

Let  $B'$  denote the space associated to  $B$ . According to Theorem 22.M [5], if  $u \in B(J, \mathbb{R})$  and  $v \in B'(J, \mathbb{R})$ , then  $|uv| \in L^1(J, \mathbb{R})$  and "Hölder's inequality"

$$(11) \quad \int_J |u(s)v(s)| ds \leq \|u\|_B \|v\|_{B'},$$

holds. Denote by  $G$  a function from  $J \times J$  to  $\tilde{E}$  such that

$$G(t, s) = \begin{cases} U(t)P_1U^{-1}(s) & \text{if } 0 \leq s \leq t, \\ -U(t)P_2U^{-1}(s) & \text{if } s > t \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 4.** If

1° the assumptions of Theorem 3 hold,  
 2°  $G(t, \cdot) \in B'$ ,  $\|G(t, \cdot)\|_{B'} \leq K$  for all  $t \in J$ ,

then the equations (I) and (II) are asymptotically equivalent.

**Proof.** Let  $x$  be a bounded solution of (I). It will now be shown that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|w(t)\| = 0$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} w(t) &= \int_0^t U(t)P_1U^{-1}(s)f(s, x(s), T(x)(s))ds - \\ &\quad - \int_t^\infty U(t)P_2U^{-1}(s)f(s, x(s), T(x)(s))ds = \\ &= \int_0^\infty G(t, s)f(s, x(s), T(x)(s))ds. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\|x_{<\tau, \infty}(t)f(t, x(t), T(x)(t))\| \leq x_{<\tau, \infty}(t)h(t)r(\|x\|_C, \|x\|_C)$$

for  $t, \tau \in J$ , we can write

$$\|\chi_{[\tau, \infty)} f(\cdot, x, T(x))\|_B \leq \|\chi_{[\tau, \infty)} h(\cdot)\|_B r(\|x\|_C, \|x\|_C).$$

By assumption  $2^0$  of Theorem 3, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  we can choose  $\tau > 0$  such that

$$(12) \quad \|\chi_{[0, \infty)} h(\cdot)\|_B r(\|x\|_C, \|x\|_C) \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2K}.$$

On the other hand, from  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|U(t)P_1\| = 0$  it follows that there exists  $t_0 \geq \tau$  such that

$$(13) \quad \|U(t)P_1\| \left\| \int_0^{\tau} U^{-1}(s) f(s, x(s), T(x)(s)) ds \right\| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

for  $t \geq t_0$ . Therefore, for  $t \geq \tau$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) - y(t) &= U(t)P_1 \int_0^{\tau} U^{-1}(s) f(s, x(s), T(x)(s)) ds + \\ &+ \int_{\tau}^{\infty} G(t, s) f(s, x(s), T(x)(s)) ds, \end{aligned}$$

where  $y$  is a solution of (II).

By (12), (13),  $2^0$  and (11), we infer that

$$\begin{aligned} \|x(t) - y(t)\| &\leq \|U(t)P_1\| \left\| \int_0^{\tau} U^{-1}(s) f(s, x(s), T(x)(s)) ds \right\| + \\ &+ \|G(t, \cdot)\|_B \|\chi_{[\tau, \infty)} h(\cdot)\|_B r(\|x\|_C, \|x\|_C) \leq \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

for  $t \geq t_0$ . The proof of Theorem 4 is complete.

**Remark 2.** The results contained in Theorems 2, 4 are some extension of those of [1] for  $E = \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $B = M_p$ ,  $x(t, s) = qu$ ,  $q < 1$ , where  $M_p$  is the space of measurable functions  $x: J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  with

$$\sup_{t \geq 0} \left( \int_t^{t+1} \|x(s)\|^p ds \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

Remark 3. If  $x: J \rightarrow E$  is a bounded solution of (I), then routine computations show that the function  $y$  defined by

$$y(t) = x(t) - \int_0^\infty G(t,s)f(s,x(s),T(x)(s))ds$$

is a solution of (II).

Remark 4. By Theorems 1, 4, we can show the asymptotic equivalence of the equations (I) and

$$(IV) \quad x' = A(t)x + g(t,x,T(x))$$

where  $(t,x,y) \rightarrow g(t,x,y)$  is a function from  $J \times E \times E$  into  $E$ , continuous in  $x, y$  for any fixed  $t \in J$ , and strongly measurable in  $t$  for any fixed  $x, y \in E$ .

Theorem 5. Let  $z$  be an unique solution of the equation

$$z' = A(t)z + f_1(t,z,T(z))$$

defined on  $J$  and such that  $z(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , where  $(t, \bar{x}, \bar{y}) \rightarrow f_1(t, \bar{x}, \bar{y})$  is a function from  $J \times E \times E$  into  $E$  which fulfills the hypotheses of Theorem 1. Then (I) and (IV) are asymptotically equivalent.

Proof. Let  $z(t) = x(t) - u(t)$ , where  $x(t)$  and  $u(t)$  are solutions of (I) and (IV), respectively; then, by differentiation, we obtain

$$(14) \quad z' = A(t)z + f_1(t,z,T(z)) \quad \text{for } z \in E, t \in J,$$

where

$$f_1(t,z,T(z)) = f(t, z+u, T(z+u)) - g(t, u, T(u)).$$

Thus, the previous problem is reduced to finding a solution  $z$  of (14) such that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|z(t)\| = 0$ . Since  $z$  is the solution of the equation (14), so  $x(t) = z(t) + u(t)$  is the solution of the equation (I). The solutions  $u$  and  $z$  exist and are bounded for  $t \in J$ , thus  $x$  is also bounded for  $t \in J$ .

Hence, by  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} z(t) = 0$ , we have (\*).

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