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**ON DIFFERENTIAL AND INTEGRAL EQUATIONS  
IN LOCALLY CONVEX SPACES**

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In this paper we investigate continuous solutions of some integral equations in sequentially complete locally convex spaces containing a compact barrel. Moreover, we prove a Kneser-type theorem for the Darboux problem in this class of spaces.

**1. Introduction**

Consider the following initial value problem

$$(1) \quad x' = f(t, x), \quad x(0) = x_0,$$

where  $f$  is a bounded continuous function with values in a quasi-complete locally convex space  $E$ . Millionščikov [9] and Hukuhara [4] proved that the problem (1) has a solution if the function  $f$  is compact or it satisfies the Kamke condition. Later many authors have studied the existence of solutions of (1) under different assumptions on  $E$  or  $f$  (e.g. see [1], [8], [10]). Moreover, in recent years there have appeared papers concerning integral equations in locally convex spaces (e.g. see [5], [11]).

In this paper we shall assume that the considered locally convex Hausdorff space over  $\mathbb{R}$  is sequentially complete and contains a compact barrel.

We shall prove a Kneser-type theorem for continuous solution set of the nonlinear Volterra integral equation

$$(2) \quad x(t) = g(t) + \int_{A(t)} f(t, s, x(s)) ds, \quad t \in A$$

and an existence theorem for continuous solutions of the Urysohn integral

equation

$$(3) \quad x(t) = g(t) + \lambda \int_A f(t, s, x(s)) ds, \quad t \in A, \lambda \in \mathbb{R},$$

considered in the space  $E$ , where  $A = [0, a_1] \times [0, a_2] \times \dots \times [0, a_n]$ , ( $a_i > 0$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) and  $A(t) = \{s \in \mathbb{R}^n : 0 \leq s_i \leq t_i, i = 1, \dots, n\}$ . In the above equations the sign “ $\int$ ” stands for the Riemann integral.

Moreover, in Section 3 we obtain a Kneser-type theorem for the Darboux problem as a corollary from the corresponding result for the equation (2).

## 2. Volterra integral equation

A useful tool in our considerations will be the following

LEMMA 1 (Astala [1]).  *$E$  is sequentially complete locally convex space containing a compact barrel iff*

$$E = (X', \tau),$$

where  $X'$  is the dual of a barrelled normed space  $X$  and  $\tau$  is a locally convex topology of  $X'$  that is stronger than the  $w^*$ -topology but weaker than the topology of precompact convergence; briefly

$$\sigma(X', X) \leq \tau \leq \lambda(X', X).$$

By the above lemma we can use in the space  $E$  the notion of the norm.

Consider the equation (2). We assume that the functions  $g : A \rightarrow E$  and  $f : A^2 \times E \rightarrow E$  are continuous. Now we shall prove the following Kneser-type theorem which is the main result of our paper.

THEOREM 1. *Under the above assumptions there exists a set*

$$J = [0, d_1] \times [0, d_2] \times \dots \times [0, d_n] \subset A$$

such that the set  $S$  of all continuous solutions of (2), defined on  $J$ , is nonempty, compact and connected in the space  $C(J, E)$  of all continuous functions  $J \rightarrow E$  with the topology of uniform convergence.

The above result extends Th. 3.1 from [2].

PROOF. Let  $r$  be any positive number. Since the ball  $B_r = \{x \in E : \|x\| \leq r\}$  is convex, ballanced, closed, bounded and sequentially complete, so in view of the Banach–Mackey theorem ([6], p.91) it is absorbing by the barrel and therefore it is compact. Hence for every number  $r > 0$  there exists a number  $m_r > 0$  such that

$$\|f(t, s, x)\| \leq m_r \quad \text{for } t, s \in A \text{ and } x \in B_r.$$

Let  $c = \sup_{t \in A} \|g(t)\|$  and  $\rho = \sup_{r > 0} (r - c)/(m_r)$ . Choose a number  $\epsilon < \rho$ . Then there exists  $b > 0$  such that  $c + m_b \epsilon < b$ . Choose numbers  $d_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$

in such a way that  $0 < d_i \leq a_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and  $d_1 d_2 \dots d_n < e$ . Let  $J = [0, d_1] \times [0, d_2] \times \dots \times [0, d_n]$ . In the space  $\mathbb{R}^n$  we introduce the norm defined by the formula

$$\|t\| = \max \left( |t_1|, \frac{d_1}{d_2} |t_2|, \dots, \frac{d_1}{d_n} |t_n| \right) \quad \text{for } t = (t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n).$$

Then  $J = \{t \in \mathbb{R}^n : t \geq 0, \|t\| \leq d_1\}$ . Denote by  $\tilde{B}$  the set of all continuous functions  $J \rightarrow B_b$ . We shall consider  $\tilde{B}$  as a subspace of  $C(J, E)$ . Put

$$G(x)(t) = g(t) + \int_{A(t)} f(t, s, x(s)) ds \quad t \in J, x \in \tilde{B}.$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} G(x)(t) - G(x)(\tau) &= g(t) - g(\tau) + \int_{A(t)} f(t, s, x(s)) ds - \int_{A(\tau)} f(\tau, s, x(s)) ds = \\ &= g(t) - g(\tau) + \int_{A(t)} (f(t, s, x(s)) - f(\tau, s, x(s))) ds + \\ &\quad + \int_{A(t) \setminus A(\tau)} f(\tau, s, x(s)) ds - \int_{A(\tau) \setminus A(t)} f(\tau, s, x(s)) ds, \\ \int_{A(t) \setminus A(\tau)} \|f(\tau, s, x(s))\| ds &\leq \mu(A(t) \setminus A(\tau)) m_b \leq m_b d_2 d_3 \dots d_n \|t - \tau\| \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \|G(x)(t)\| &\leq \|g(t)\| + \int_{A(t)} \|f(t, s, x(s))\| ds \leq c + \mu(A(t)) m_b \leq \\ &\leq c + m_b d_2 d_3 \dots d_n \|t\| \end{aligned}$$

for  $x \in \tilde{B}$ ,  $t, \tau \in J$  ( $\mu$  denotes here the Lebesgue measure in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ), so  $G(\tilde{B}) \subset \tilde{B}$  and the family  $G(\tilde{B})$  is equiuniformly continuous. Moreover, in view of the Krasnoselskii–Krein-type lemma (cf. [7]) we deduce that  $G$  is continuous.

For any  $\varepsilon > 0$  denote by  $S_\varepsilon$  the set of all  $x \in \tilde{B}$  such that  $\|x(t) - G(x)(t)\| < \varepsilon$  for every  $t \in J$ . Before passing to further considerations, we shall quote the following

**LEMMA 2 ([3]).** *For every  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $\varepsilon < b - c - m_b d_1 d_2 \dots d_n$ , the set  $S_\varepsilon$  is nonempty and connected.*

Now we return to the proof of Th. 1. First, we shall show that the set  $S$  is nonempty. By Lemma 2, there exists a sequence  $(u_k)$  such that  $u_k \in \tilde{B}$  for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and

$$(4) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{t \in J} \|u_k(t) - G(u_k)(t)\| = 0.$$

Let  $V = \{u_k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . Since  $u_k = (u_k - G(u_k)) + G(u_k)$  for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , so  $V$  is equiuniformly continuous. As  $E$  contains a compact barrel, so by the Banach–Mackey theorem every bounded subset of  $E$  is relatively compact. Hence  $V(t) = \{u_k(t) : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is relatively compact for every  $t \in J$ . In view of Ascoli's theorem ([6], pp. 80–81) we conclude that the sequence  $(u_k)$  has a limit point  $u$ . From (4) and the continuity of  $G$  it is clear that  $u = G(u)$ , so  $u \in S$ .

Further, since  $G$  is continuous, so  $S$  is closed in  $C(J, E)$ . As  $S = G(S)$ , therefore using similar arguments as above, we deduce that  $S$  is compact in  $C(J, E)$ .

To prove that  $S$  is connected it is enough to apply standard arguments as for example in [3]. The proof is completed.

### 3. Darboux problem

Let  $B = \{z \in E : \|z\| \leq b\}$ ,  $A = [0, a_1] \times [0, a_2]$  ( $a_1, a_2 > 0$ ) and let  $f : A \times B \rightarrow E$  be a continuous function. By the Banach–Mackey theorem there exists a number  $M > 0$  such that  $\|f(x, y, z)\| \leq M$  for  $(x, y, z) \in A \times B$ . Choose positive numbers  $d_1, d_2$  such that  $d_1 \leq a_1$ ,  $d_2 \leq a_2$  and  $Md_1d_2 < b$ . Put  $J = [0, d_1] \times [0, d_2]$ . Let us consider the following problem

$$(5) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y} &= f(x, y, z), \quad (x, y) \in J, \\ z(x, 0) &= 0, \quad 0 \leq x \leq d_1, \quad z(0, y) = 0, \quad 0 \leq y \leq d_2, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x \partial y}$  denotes the mixed second derivative of  $z$ .

We shall prove the following

**THEOREM 2.** *Under the above assumptions the set  $S$  of all solutions of (5), defined on  $J$ , is nonempty, compact and connected in  $C(J, E)$ .*

**Proof.** As  $E$  is sequentially complete and  $f$  is continuous, so the problem (5) is equivalent to the following integral equation

$$(6) \quad z(x, y) = \int_0^x \int_0^y f(\xi, \eta, z(\xi, \eta)) d\xi d\eta, \quad (x, y) \in J,$$

where the sign “ $\int \int$ ” stands for the Riemann integral.

In the space  $\mathbb{R}^2$  we introduce the norm defined by the formula

$$\|t\| = \max \left( |t_1|, \frac{d_1}{d_2} |t_2| \right) \quad \text{for } t = (t_1, t_2).$$

Then  $J = \{t \in \mathbb{R}^2 : t \geq 0, \|t\| \leq d_1\}$ . Putting  $A(t) = \{s \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 0 \leq s \leq t\}$  for  $t \in J$ , we can write the equation (6) in the form

$$(7) \quad z(t) = \int_{D(t)} f(s, z(s)) ds,$$

Applying now Th. 1 we see that the set  $S$  is nonempty, compact and connected in  $C(J, E)$ , because it coincides with the set of all continuous solutions of (7) on  $J$ .

#### 4. Urysohn integral equation

In this section we shall consider the equation (3). As in the Section 2 assume that the functions  $g : A \rightarrow E$  and  $f : A^2 \rightarrow E$  are continuous. Now we shall prove the following

**THEOREM 3.** *Under the above assumptions there exists  $\eta > 0$  such that for  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $|\lambda| < \eta$ , the equation (3) has a continuous solution defined on  $A$ .*

**Proof.** Similarly as in Section 2 we deduce that for any number  $r > 0$  there exists a number  $m_r > 0$  such that

$$\|f(t, s, x)\| \leq m_r \quad \text{for } t, s \in A \text{ and } \|x\| \leq r.$$

Let  $c = \sup_{t \in A} \|g(t)\|$  and  $\eta = \sup_{r > 0} (r - c)/(am_r)$ . Choose  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $|\lambda| < \eta$ . Hence there exists a number  $b > 0$  such that  $c + |\lambda|am_b < b$ . Denote by  $\tilde{B}$  the set of all continuous functions  $A \rightarrow B_b$ . We shall consider  $\tilde{B}$  as a topological subspace  $C(A, E)$ . Define

$$G(x)(t) = g(t) + \lambda \int_A f(t, s, x(s)) ds, \quad t \in A, x \in \tilde{B}.$$

It can be easily verified that  $G$  is a continuous mapping of  $\tilde{B}$  into itself. Again, by the Krasnoselskii-Krein-type lemma the family  $G(\tilde{B})$  is equiuniformly continuous. Let  $V = \overline{\text{conv}} G(\tilde{B})$ . Then  $V$  is also equiuniformly continuous and  $V(t) = \{x(t) : x \in V\}$  is relatively compact for every  $t \in A$ . By Ascoli's theorem we deduce that  $V$  is compact. From the Schauder-Tychonoff theorem it follows that the mapping  $G|_V$  has a fixed point. Obviously this completes the proof of Th. 3.

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