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# ON NONLOCAL EVOLUTION PROBLEM FOR THE EQUATION OF THE FIRST ORDER

# O NIELOKALNYM EWOLUCYJNYM ZAGADNIENIU DLA RÓWNANIA RZĘDU PIERWSZEGO

#### Abstract

The aim of the paper is to prove theorems about the existence and uniqueness of mild and classical solutions of a nonlocal semilinear functional-differential evolution Cauchy problem. The method of semigroups, the Banach fixed-point theorem and theorems (see [2]) about the existence and uniqueness of the classical solutions of the first-order differential evolution problems in a not necessarily reflexive Banach space are used to prove the existence and uniqueness of the solutions of the problems considered. The results obtained are based on publications [1–6].

Keywords: evolution Cauchy problem, existence and uniqueness of the solutions, nonlocal conditions

#### Streszczenie

W artykule udowodniono twierdzenia o istnieniu i jednoznaczności rozwiązań całkowych i klasycznych nielokalnego semiliniowego funkcjonalno-różniczkowego ewolucyjnego zagadnienia Cauchy'ego. W tym celu zastosowano metodę półgrup, twierdzenie Banacha o punkcie stałym i twierdzenia ([2]) o istnieniu i jednoznaczności klasycznych rozwiązań ewolucyjnych zagadnień różniczkowych pierwszego rzędu w niekoniecznie refleksywnej przestrzeni Banacha. Artykuł bazuje na publikacjach [1–6].

Słowa kluczowe: ewolucyjne zagadnienie Cauchy'ego, istnienie i jednoznaczność rozwiązań, warunki nielokalne

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#### 1. Introduction

Let E be a Banach space with norm  $\|\cdot\|$  and let  $A: E \to E$  be a closed densely defined linear operator. For an operator A, let  $\mathcal{D}(A)$ ,  $\rho(A)$  and  $A^*$  denote its domain, resolvent set and adjoint, respectively.

For a Banach space E, C(E) denotes the set of closed linear operators from E into itself.

We will need the class  $G(\tilde{M},\beta)$  of operators A satisfying the conditions:

There exist constants  $\tilde{M} > 0$  and  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$(C_1) \ A \in \mathcal{C}(E), \ \overline{\mathcal{D}(A)} = E \quad \text{and} \quad (\beta, +\infty) \subset \rho(-A),$$

$$(C_2) \ \left\| (A + \xi)^{-k} \right\| \leqslant \tilde{M}(\xi - \beta)^{-k} \quad \text{for each} \quad \xi > \beta \quad \text{and} \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

We will need the assumption:

**Assumption** (Z). The adjoint operator  $A^*$  is densely defined in  $E^*$ , i.e.,  $\overline{\mathcal{D}}(A^*) = E^*$ .

It is known (see: [4], p. 485 and [5], p. 20) that for  $A \in G(\tilde{M}, \beta)$  there exists exactly one strongly continuous semigroup  $T(t): E \to E$  for  $t \ge 0$  such that -A is its infinitesimal generator and

$$||T(t)|| \le \tilde{M}e^{\beta t}$$
 for  $t \ge 0$ .

Throughout the paper we will assume  $(C_1)$  and  $(C_2)$ , and assumption (Z). Moreover throughout the paper we will use the notation

$$0 \le t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_p \le t_0 + a, \quad a > 0,$$
 
$$J := [t_0, t_0 + a],$$
 
$$M := \sup \{ \|T(t)\| : t \in [0, a] \}$$

and

$$X := \mathcal{C}(J, E)$$
.

Throughout the paper we will also assume that there exists the operator  $\mathcal{B}$  with  $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{B}) = E$  given by the formula

$$\mathcal{B} := \left(I + \sum_{k=1}^{p} c_k T(t_k - t_0)\right)^{-1},$$

where *I* is the identity operator on *E*.

The aim of the paper is to study the existence and uniqueness of mild and classical solutions to a nonlocal Cauchy problem for a functional-differential evolution equation. The nonlocal Cauchy problem considered here is of the following form:

$$u'(t) + Au(t) = f(t, u(t), u(b_1(t)), \dots, u(b_r(t))), \quad t \in J \setminus \{t_0\},$$
(1.1)

$$u(t_0) + \sum_{k=1}^{p} c_k u(t_k) = u_0, \tag{1.2}$$

where f and  $b_i$  (i = 1, ..., r) are given functions satisfying some assumptions,  $u_0 \in E$ ,  $c_k \neq 0$  (k = 1, 2, ..., p) and  $p, r \in \mathbb{N}$ .

To study problem (1.1)–(1.2) we will need the following linear problem:

$$u'(t) + Au(t) = g(t), \quad t \in J \setminus \{t_0\},$$
 (1.3)

$$u(t_0) = x \tag{1.4}$$

and the following definition:

A function  $u: J \to E$  is said to be a classical solution to the problem (1.3)–(1.4) if

- (i) u is continuous on J and continuously differentiable on  $J \setminus \{t_0\}$ ,
- (ii) u'(t) + Au(t) = g(t) for  $t \in J \setminus \{t_0\}$ ,
- (iii)  $u(t_0) = x$ .

To study problem (1.1)–(1.2) we will need also the following theorem:

**Theorem 1.1.** (see [2]). Let  $g: J \to E$  be Lipschitz continuous on J and  $x \in \mathcal{D}(A)$ .

Then the Cauchy problem (1.3)–(1.4) has exactly one classical solution u given by the formula

$$u(t) = T(t - t_0)x + \int_{t_0}^{t} T(t - s)g(s) ds, \quad t \in J.$$
(1.5)

The results obtained in the paper, are based on publications [1–6].

#### 2. On mild solution

A function  $u \in X$  satisfying the integral equation

$$u(t) = T(t - t_0)\mathcal{B}u_0 -$$

$$+ \sum_{k=1}^{p} c_k T(t - t_0)\mathcal{B} \int_{t_0}^{t_k} T(t_k - s) f(s, u(s), u(b_1(s)), \dots, u(b_r(s))) ds +$$

$$+ \int_{t_0}^{t} T(t - s) f(s, u(s), u(b_1(s)), \dots, u(b_r(s))) ds, \quad t \in J,$$

$$(2.1)$$

is said to be a *mild solution* of the functional-differential nonlocal evolution Cauchy problem (1.1)–(1.2).

REMARK 2.1. A function u satisfying (2.1) satisfies condition (1.2) (For the proof of Remark 2.1 see [3]).

**Theorem 2.1.** Assume that:

(i)  $f: J \times E^{r+1} \to E$  is continuous with respect to the first variable on J,  $b_i: J \to J$  (i = 1, ..., r) are continuous on J and there is L > 0 such that

$$||f(s, z_0, z_1, ..., z_r) - f(s, \tilde{z}_0, \tilde{z}_1, ..., \tilde{z}_r)|| \le L \sum_{i=0}^r ||z_i - \tilde{z}_i||$$
 (2.2)

for 
$$s \in J, z_i, \tilde{z}_i \in E \ (i = 0, 1, ..., r),$$

(ii) 
$$(r+1)MLa\left(1+M\|\mathcal{B}\|\sum_{k=1}^{p}|c_k|\right)<1,$$

(iii)  $u_0 \in E$ .

Then the functional-differential nonlocal evolution Cauchy problem (1.1)–(1.2) has a unique mild solution.

*Proof.* Introduce the operator F on the Banach space X given by the formula

$$(Fw)(t) := T(t - t_0)\mathcal{B}u_0 - \\ - \sum_{k=1}^{p} c_k T(t - t_0)\mathcal{B} \int_{t_0}^{t_k} T(t_k - s) f(s, w(s), w(b_1(s)), ..., w(b_r(s))) ds + \\ + \int_{t_0}^{t} T(t - s) f(s, w(s), w(b_1(s)), ..., w(b_r(s))) ds, \quad w \in X, \quad t \in J.$$

It is easy to see that F is a mapping from X into X and we will show that F is a contraction on X. For this purpose, observe that

$$(Fw)(t) - (F\tilde{w})(t) =$$

$$-\sum_{k=1}^{p} c_k T(t - t_0) \mathcal{B} \int_{t_0}^{t_k} T(t_k - s) [f(s, w(s), w(b_1(s)), ..., w(b_r(s))) -$$

$$- f(s, \tilde{w}(s), \tilde{w}(b_1(s)), ..., \tilde{w}(b_r(s)))] ds +$$

$$+ \int_{t_0}^{t} T(t_k - s) [f(s, w(s), w(b_1(s)), ..., w(b_r(s))) -$$

$$- f(s, \tilde{w}(s), \tilde{w}(b_1(s)), ..., \tilde{w}(b_r(s)))] ds, \quad w, \tilde{w} \in X, \quad t \in J.$$

$$(2.3)$$

From (2.3) and (2.2)

$$\left\| (Fw)(t) - (F\tilde{w})(t) \right\| \leq (r+1)MLa \left( 1 + M \| \mathcal{B} \| \sum_{k=1}^{p} |c_{k}| \right) \| w - \tilde{w} \|_{X}, \quad w, \tilde{w} \in X, \quad t \in J.$$
 (2.4)

Define

$$q := (r+1)MLa \left(1 + M \|\mathcal{B}\| \sum_{k=1}^{p} |c_k|\right). \tag{2.5}$$

Then by (2.4), (2.5) and assumption (ii),

$$||Fw - F\tilde{w}||_{X} \le q ||w - \tilde{w}||_{X} \quad \text{for} \quad w, \tilde{w} \in X$$
 (2.6)

with 0 < q < 1.

Consequently, by (2.6), operator F satisfies all the assumptions of the Banach contraction theorem. Therefore, in space X there is only one fixed point of F and this point is the mild solution of problem (1.1)–(1.2) So, the proof of Theorem 2.1 is complete.

#### 3. Mild and classical solutions

A function  $u: J \to E$  is said to be a classical solution of the functional-differential nonlocal evolution Cauchy problem (1.1)–(1.2) if:

- (i) u is continuous on J and continuously differentiable on  $J \setminus \{t_0\}$ ,
- (ii)  $u'(t) + Au(t) = f(t, u(t), u(b_1(t)), ..., u(b_n(t))), \text{ for } t \in J \setminus \{t_0\},$

(iii) 
$$u(t_0) + \sum_{k=1}^{p} c_k u(t_k) = u_0.$$

**Theorem 3.1.** Assume that  $f: J \times E^{r+1} \to E$  is Lipschitz continuous on  $J \times E^{r+1}$ . If u is a classical solution to the problem (1.1)–(1.2) then u is a mild solution of this problem.

*Proof.* Since u is a classical solution to the problem (1.1)–(1.2),  $u \in X$  and u satisfies the integral equation (see [2], Theorem 2)

$$u(t) = T(t - t_0)u(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{t} T(t - s)f(s, u(s), u(b_1(s)), \dots, u(b_r(s))) ds, \quad t \in J.$$

The remaining part of the proof<sup>1</sup> of Theorem 3.1 is as in [3].

**Theorem 3.2.** Suppose that:

(i)  $f: J \times E^{r+1} \to E, b_i: J \to J (i = 1, ..., r)$  are continuous on J and there is C > 0 such that

$$||f(s, z_0, z_1, ..., z_r) - f(\tilde{s}, \tilde{z}_0, \tilde{z}_1, ..., \tilde{z}_r)|| \leq C \left( |s - \tilde{s}| + \sum_{i=0}^r ||z_i - \tilde{z}_i|| \right)$$

$$for \quad s, \tilde{s} \in J, \quad z_i, \tilde{z}_i \in E \quad (i = 0, ..., r),$$
(3.1)

(ii) 
$$(r+1)MCa\left(1+M \| \mathcal{B} \| \sum_{k=1}^{p} |c_k|\right) < 1,$$

(iii)  $u_0 \in E$ .

Then the functional-differential nonlocal evolution problem (1.1)–(1.2) has a unique mild solution denoted by u. Moreover, if

(iv)  $\mathcal{B}u_0 \in \mathcal{D}(A)$  and

$$\mathcal{B} \int_{t_0}^{t_k} T(t_k - s) f(s, u(s), u(b_1(s)), \dots, u(b_r(s))) \, ds \in \mathcal{D}(A) \quad (k = 1, \dots, p)$$

and if there is  $\kappa > 0$  such that

$$\left\|u(b_i(s))-u(b_i(\tilde{s}))\right\| \leqslant \kappa \left\|u(s)-u(\tilde{s})\right\| \quad for \quad s,\tilde{s} \in J$$

then u is the unique classical solution to problem (1.1)–(1.2).

*Proof.* Since all the assumptions of Theorem 2.1 are satisfied, problem (1.1)–(1.2) possesses a unique mild solution u.

Now, we will show that u is the unique classical solution to the problem (1.1)–(1.2). To this end, introduce

$$N := \max_{s \in I} \| f(s, u(s), u(b_1(s)), \dots, u(b_r(s))) \|$$
(3.2)

This remaining part of the proof shows why in the definition of a mild solution u to the problem (1.1)–(1.2) we require that the function u satisfies the integral equation (2.1).

and observe that

$$u(t+h)-u(t) = T(t-t_0)[T(h)-I]\mathcal{B}u_0 - \sum_{k=1}^p c_k T(t-t_0)[T(h)-I] \times \\ \times \mathcal{B} \int_{t_0}^{t_k} T(t_k-s) f(s,u(s),u(b_1(s)),...,u(b_r(s))) ds + \\ + \int_{t_0}^{t_0+h} T(t+h-s) f(s,u(s),u(b_1(s)),...,u(b_r(s))) ds + \\ + \int_{t_0}^{t} T(t-s)[f(s,u(s+h),u(b_1(s+h)),...,u(b_r(s+h))) - \\ + f(s,u(s),u(b_1(s)),...,u(b_r(s)))] ds \text{ for } t \in [t_0,t_0+a), h > 0 \text{ and } t+h \in (t_0,t_0+a].$$

$$(3.3)$$

Consequently, by (3.3), (3.2), (3.1) and Assumption (iv),

$$\|u(t+h) - u(t)\| \le$$

$$\le Mh \|ABu_0\| + \sum_{k=1}^p |c_k| Mh \|AB \int_{t_0}^{t_k} T(t_k - s) f(s, u(s), u(b_1(s)), \dots, u(b_r(s))) ds \| +$$

$$+ hMN + MCah + MC \int_{t_0} (\|u(s+h) - u(s)\| + \|u(b_1(s+h)) - u(b_1(s))\| + \dots +$$

$$+ \|u(b_r(s+h)) - u(b_r(s))\|) ds = C_*h + MC(1+r\kappa) \int_{t_0}^{t} \|u(s+h) - u(s)\| ds$$
for  $t \in [t_0, t_0 + a)$ ,  $h > 0$  and  $t + h \in (t_0, t_0 + a]$ , (3.4)

where

$$C_* := M \left[ \|A\mathcal{B}u_0\| + \sum_{k=1}^p |c_k| \|A\mathcal{B} \int_{t_0}^{t_k} T(t_k - s) f(s, u(s), u(b_1(s)), \dots, u(b_r(s))) ds \| + N + Ca \right].$$

From (3.4) and Gronwall's inequality

$$||u(t+h)-u(t)|| \leqslant C_* e^{aMC(1+r\kappa)} h$$

for  $t \in [t_0, t_0 + a)$ , h > 0 and  $t + h \in (t_0, t_0 + a]$ .

Hence u is Lipschitz continuous on J.

The Lipschitz continuity of u on J combined with continuity of f on  $J \times E^{r+1}$  imply that  $t \to f(t, u(t), u(b_1(t)), ..., u(b_r(t)))$  is Lipschitz continuous on J. This fact together with assumptions of Theorem 3.2 imply, by Theorem 1.1, that the linear Cauchy problem

$$v'(t) + Av(t) = f(t, u(t), u(b_1(t)), \dots, u(b_r(t))), \quad t \in J \setminus \{t_0\},$$
(3.5)

$$v(t_0) = u_0 - \sum_{k=1}^{p} c_k u(t_k)$$
(3.6)

has a unique classical solution v such that

$$v(t) = T(t - t_0)v(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{t} T(t - s)f(s, u(s), u(b_1(s)), \dots, u(b_r(s))) ds, \quad t \in J.$$
 (3.7)

Now, we will show that

$$u(t) = v(t) \quad \text{for} \quad t \in J. \tag{3.8}$$

To do it, observe that, by (3.6), by Remark 2.1 and by (2.1),

$$v(t_0) = u(t_0) = \mathcal{B}u_0 - \sum_{k=1}^p c_k \mathcal{B} \int_{t_0}^{t_k} T(t_k - s) f(s, u(s)), u(b_1(s)), \dots, u(b_r(s)) ds.$$

Consequently

$$T(t-t_0)v(t_0) =$$

$$= T(t-t_0)\mathcal{B}u_0 - \sum_{k=1}^{p} c_k T(t-t_0)\mathcal{B} \int_{t_0}^{t_k} T(t_k-s)f(s,u(s),u(b_1(s)),...,u(b_r(s))) ds, \quad t \in J.$$
(3.9)

Next from (3.7), (3.9) and (2.1),

$$\begin{split} v(t) &= T(t-t_0)v(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{t} T(t-s)f(s,u(s),u(b_1(s)),...,u(b_r(s)))\,ds = \\ &= T(t-t_0)\mathcal{B}u_0 - \sum_{k=1}^{p} c_k T(t-t_0)\mathcal{B}\int_{t_0}^{t_k} \overline{T(t_k-s)f(s,u(s),u(b_1(s)),...,u(b_r(s)))}\,ds + \\ &+ \int_{t_0}^{t} T(t-s)f(s,u(s),u(b_1(s)),...,u(b_r(s)))\,ds = u(t), \quad t \in J, \end{split}$$

and, therefore, (3,8) holds.

The above argument implies that u is a classical solution of problem (1.1)–(1.2).

To prove that u is the unique classical solution of problem (1.1)–(1.2) suppose that there is a classical solution  $u_*$  of problem (1.1)–(1.2) such that  $u_* \neq u$  on J. Then, by Theorem 3.1,  $u_*$  is a mild solution of problem (1.1)–(1.2). Since, by Theorem 2.1, there exists the only one mild solution of problem (1.1)–(1.2),  $u_* = u$  on J. Thus, the proof of Theorem 3.2 is complete.

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