

Description of a Class of Hereditary Differential-integral Equations with Non-converging Successive Approximations

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§ 1. Introduction.

Many authors ([2]–[5], [8], [9], [12]) have been discussed the problem of the convergence of successive approximations to a solution of a differential equation, when the latter is unique in virtue of a unique criterion. A well known example due to Müller ([11]) (see also [4], p. 53) shows that the continuity of the right-hand side of a given equation and uniqueness of its solutions are not sufficient to guarantee the convergence of its successive approximations. In [14] it has been proved that “convergence of successive approximations” is a generic property, i.e., that there is a dense second category set M in the space of continuous functions such that for all $f \in M$, the successive approximations converge. This result has a greater generality since it shows that for $f \in M$ the successive approximation have a unique limit for every starting point. Thus it follows as corollary that “uniqueness of solutions” is a generic property, as proved earlier by Orlicz [13] for f 's defined on strips $I \times R$ and by Lasota-Yorke [10] for f 's defined on open subsets of any Banach space. We show here that the class of all (\mathcal{S}, f, g) for which the successive approximations of the equation

$$(1) \quad \begin{cases} y(t) = \mathcal{S}(t) & \text{for } t \leq t_0 \\ y'(t) = \int_0^\infty f(t, y(t-s)) d_s r(t, s) - g(t) & \text{for a.e. } t \in [t_0, T], \end{cases}$$

where integration is of a Riemann-Stieltjes type with respect to $s \geq 0$, do not converge, is of Baire's first category in any complete metric space. In virtue of Baire's theorem our result generalises the result given in [14].

Let R denote the real line, and let R^n be an n -dimensional linear vector space with the norm $\|x\| = \max(|x_1|, |x_2|, \dots, |x_n|)$ for $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$. Let P denote the set in R^n defined by $P = \{(t, y) : t_0 \leq t \leq T, y \in R^n\}$ and let $Q = \{(t, y) \in P : \|y - \eta\| \leq a\}$, where $\eta \in R^n$ and $a > 0$. Let us denote by G the Banach space of all Lebesgue-integrable functions $g : [t_0, T] \rightarrow R^n$ with the norm $\|g\|_G = \int_{t_0}^T \|g(t)\| dt$ and

let $\bigvee_{s=0}^{\infty} r(t, s)$ denote the variation of $r(t, s)$ with respect to $s \geq 0$.

In this paper we shall take into account functions $f: P \rightarrow R^n$ satisfying the following Carathéodory hypotheses:

- (C₁) $f(\cdot, y): [t_0, T] \rightarrow R$ is measurable for all $y \in R^n$,
- (C₂) $f(t, \cdot): R^n \rightarrow R^n$ is continuous for a.e. $t \in [t_0, T]$,
- (C₃) there exists $m_f \in \mathcal{L}^1([t_0, T], R^+)$, where $R^+ = [0, \infty)$, such that $\|f(t, y)\| \leq m_f(t)$ for a.e. $t \in [t_0, T]$ and $y \in R^n$.

About a function $r: [t_0, T] \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow R$ we shall assume:

- (I) $r(t, 0) = 0$ for $t \in [t_0, T]$,
- (II) there exists a number $V > 0$ such that $\bigvee_{s=0}^{\infty} r(t, s) \leq V$ for $t \in [t_0, T]$,
- (III) for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a number $K > 0$ such that $\bigvee_{s=K}^{\infty} r(t, s) < \varepsilon$ for $t \in [t_0, T]$,
- (IV) for every $\alpha > 0$ and $u \in [t, T]$ $\lim_{u \rightarrow t} \int_0^{\alpha} |r(t, s) - r(u, s)| ds = 0$.

Let us denote by Φ the space of all continuous and bounded functions $\mathcal{S}: (-\infty, t_0] \rightarrow R^n$ with the norm $\|\mathcal{S}\|_{\Phi} = \sup_{t \leq t_0} \|\mathcal{S}(t)\|$.

§ 2. Fundamental metric space and basic theorems.

It was proved in [1] the following approximation theorem:

Theorem 1. *If $f: Q \rightarrow R^n$ satisfies Carathéodory hypotheses, then there exist continuous functions $f_n: Q \rightarrow R^n$ such that*

- (i) $\|f_n(t, y)\| \leq m_f(t)$ for a.e. $t \in [t_0, T]$ and $y \in R^n$,
- (ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max_y \{\|f_n(t, y) - f(t, y)\|: (t, y) \in Q\} = 0$ for almost every $t \in [t_0, T]$.

Hence it is not difficult to obtain ([6])

Theorem 2. *Suppose $f: Q \rightarrow R^n$ satisfies Carathéodory hypotheses. Then for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a continuous function $f^*: Q \rightarrow R^n$ such that*

- (i) $\|f^*(t, y)\| \leq m_f(t)$ for a.e. $t \in [t_0, T]$ and all $y \in R^n$ such that $(t, y) \in Q$,
- (ii) $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \max_y \{\|f^{\varepsilon}(t, y) - f(t, y)\|: (t, y) \in Q\} = 0$ for a.e. $t \in [t_0, T]$,
- (iii) $f^*(t, y)$ has continuous partial derivatives of all orders with respect to y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n .

Let us denote by $F(P)$ the set of all functions $f: P \rightarrow R$ satisfying Carathéodory hypotheses and let \bar{f} be the class of all functions of $F(P)$ which are different only on a set of measure zero for fixed $y \in R^n$. Let us denote by $\mathcal{F}(P)$ the set of all classes

\tilde{f} . In the next paragraph we shall consider the metric space $(\mathcal{F}(P), \rho_{\mathcal{F}})$ with $\rho_{\mathcal{F}}(\tilde{f}_1, \tilde{f}_2) = \|\tilde{f}_1 - \tilde{f}_2\|_{\mathcal{F}}$, where $\|\tilde{f}\|_{\mathcal{F}} = \int_{t_0}^T \sup_y \{\|f(t, y)\| : (t, y) \in P\} dt$ for $\tilde{f}, \tilde{f}_1, \tilde{f}_2 \in \mathcal{F}(P)$ and $f \in \tilde{f}$. It was proved in [7] that $(\mathcal{F}(P), \rho_{\mathcal{F}})$ is a complete metric space. Therefore (\mathcal{H}, ρ) , where $\mathcal{H} = \Phi \times \mathcal{F}(P) \times G$ and $\rho = \max(\rho_{\Phi}, \rho_{\mathcal{F}}, \rho_G)$ is a complete metric space too.

For a given $(\mathcal{S}, f, g) \in \mathcal{H}$ and a r satisfying (I)–(IV) by a solution of (1) we mean a function $y \in C((-\infty, T], R^n) \cap AC([t_0, T], R^n)$ satisfying (1) for $t \leq T$. Throughout $C(I, R^n)$ and $AC(I, R^n)$ denote the set of all continuous and absolutely continuous functions from I to R^n respectively.

It is well known that for every (\mathcal{S}, f, g) and r satisfying (I)–(IV) there exists at least one solution of (1). It is easy to see in this case that every solution y of (1) satisfies $\max_{t_0 < t \leq T} \|y(t)\| \leq b$ where $b = \|\mathcal{S}\|_{\Phi} + V \cdot \|m_f\|_G + \|g\|_G$.

Now for $h = (\mathcal{S}, \tilde{f}, g) \in \mathcal{H}$ and r satisfying (I)–(IV) let us consider the sequence $\{y_n^h\}$ of successive approximations defined by

$$(2) \quad y_0^h(t) = \begin{cases} \mathcal{S}(t) & \text{for } t \leq t_0 \\ \mathcal{S}(t_0) & \text{for } t \in [t_0, T], \end{cases}$$

$$y_n^h(t) = \begin{cases} \mathcal{S}(t) & \text{for } t \leq t_0 \\ \mathcal{S}(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} f(u, y_{n-1}^h(u-s)) d_S r(u, s) + g(u) \right\} du & \text{for } t \in [t_0, T] \text{ and } n = 1, 2, \dots \end{cases}$$

In similar way as in the theory of ordinary differential equations it is easy to verify if $\tilde{f} \in \mathcal{F}(P)$ is Lipschitz continuous with respect to $y \in R$, i.e. if there exists a $k \in \mathcal{L}^1([t_0, T], R^+)$ such that $\|f(t, y_1) - f(t, y_2)\| \leq k(t) \|y_1 - y_2\|$ for a.e. $t \in [t_0, T]$ and all $y_1, y_2 \in R^n$, then $\{y_n^h\}$ is uniformly convergent to the unique solution of (1). It is easy to see that for every $h = (\mathcal{S}, \tilde{f}, g)$ and $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ we have $\sup_{t \leq T} \|y_n^h(t)\| \leq b$, where b is defined as above.

§ 3. Non-convergence of successive approximations.

Now we shall prove that non-convergence of $\{y_n^h\}$ is in any sense a rare case. Exactly we shall show that the set $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{H}$ of those $h = (\mathcal{S}, \tilde{f}, g)$ for which $\{y_n^h\}$ is not convergent is of Baire's first category in the space (\mathcal{H}, ρ) for fixed r satisfying (I)–(IV).

Suppose r satisfies (I)–(IV). For fixed $h = (\mathcal{S}, \tilde{f}, g)$ and $t \in [t_0, T]$ let $\Delta(h, t) = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{\text{diam } E[y_n^h(t)]\}$, where $E[y_n^h(t)] = \{y_n^h(t), y_{n+1}^h(t), \dots\}$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and $\text{diam } A$ denotes the diameter of a set $A \subset R^n$. Obviously $\Delta(h, t) = 0$ for each $t \leq T$ is equivalent to the convergence of the sequence $\{y_n^h\}$. Then the sequence $\{y_n^h\}$ is

not converging in $[t_0, T]$ iff there is a $\tilde{t} \in [t_0, T]$ such that $\Delta(h, \tilde{t}) > 0$. Let $\{t_r\}$ be a sequence of points of $[t_0, T]$ dense in $[t_0, T]$. Then let $\Omega_{MNpq\tau}$ be defined by $\Omega_{MNpq\tau} = \{(\mathcal{S}, \tilde{f}, g) \in \mathcal{H} : \|\mathcal{S}\|_\emptyset \leq N, \|\tilde{f}\|_{\mathcal{F}} \leq M, \|g\|_G \leq q, \Delta(h, t_r) \geq 1/p\}$, where $h = (\mathcal{S}, \tilde{f}, g)$. In the proof of our main result we shall use following lemmas:

Lemma 3. $\Omega_{MNpq\tau}$ are closed subsets of \mathcal{H} for every $M, N, p, q, \tau = 1, 2, \dots$.

Proof. Suppose $\{h_r\}$ is a sequence of \mathcal{H} such that $h_r \in \Omega_{MNpq\tau}$ for $r = 1, 2, \dots$ and $\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \rho(h_r, h) = 0$, where $h \in \mathcal{H}$. Let $h_r = (\mathcal{S}_r, \tilde{f}_r, g_r)$ and $h = (\mathcal{S}, \tilde{f}, g)$. It is easy to see that $\|\mathcal{S}\|_\emptyset \leq N, \|\tilde{f}\|_{\mathcal{F}} \leq M$ and $\|g\|_G \leq q$. Furthermore there exists a subsequence $\{h_k\}$ of $\{h_r\}$ such that $\|\mathcal{S}_k(t) - \mathcal{S}(t)\| \rightarrow 0$ for $t \leq t_0, \|g_k(t) - g(t)\| \rightarrow 0$ and $\sup_y \{\|f_k(t, y) - f(t, y)\| : (t, y) \in P\} \rightarrow 0$ for a.e. $t \in [t_0, T]$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$. For each $k = 1, 2, \dots$ we have $\Delta(h_k, t_r) \geq 1/p$. Then $\sup_m \{\text{diam } E[y_{n+m}^{h_k}(t_r)]\} \geq 1/p$ for $n, k = 1, 2, \dots$. Hence it follows that for every $l = 1, 2, \dots$ there exists m_l such that $\text{diam } E[y_{n+m_l}^{h_k}(t_r)] > 1/p - 1/l$, i.e. $\sup_{(\mu, \nu)} \|y_{n+m_l+\mu}^{h_k}(t_r) - y_{n+m_l+\nu}^{h_k}(t_r)\| > 1/p - 1/l$. Then for every $j = 1, 2, \dots$ there is (μ_j, ν_j) such that

$$(3) \quad \|y_{n+m_l+\mu_j}^{h_k}(t_r) - y_{n+m_l+\nu_j}^{h_k}(t_r)\| > 1/p - 1/l - 1/j$$

for every $n, k = 1, 2, \dots$. Let $x(k, n + m_l + \mu_j) = y_{n+m_l+\mu_j}^{h_k}$. It is easy to verify that the family $X \subset C([t_0, T], R^n)$ defined by

$$X = \{x(k, n + m_l + \mu_j)\}_{k, n, l, j = 1, 2, \dots}$$

satisfy the hypotheses of Arzela's theorem. Then there is a subsequence $\{x(n_k, n + m_l + \mu_j)\}$ of $\{x(k, n + m_l + \mu_j)\}$ which is uniformly convergent on $[t_0, T]$. Suppose $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x(n_k, n + m_l + \mu_j)(t) = x(n + m_l + \mu_j)(t)$ for fixed n, m_l and μ_j . For $t \in [t_0, T]$ we have

$$(4) \quad x(n + m_l + \mu_j)(t) - \mathcal{S}(t_0) - \int_{t_0}^t \left\{ \int_0^\infty f(u, x(n + m_l + \mu_j - 1)(u - s)) d_S r(u, s) + g(u) \right\} du = \sum_{i=1}^5 A_i(t),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A_1(t) &= x(n + m_l + \mu_j)(t) - x(n_k, n + m_l + \mu_j)(t), \quad A_2(t) = \mathcal{S}_{n_k}(t_0) - \mathcal{S}(t_0), \\ A_3(t) &= \int_{t_0}^t \left\{ \int_0^\infty [f_{n_k}(u, x(n_k, n + m_l + \mu_j - 1)(u - s)) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - f(u, x(n_k, n + m_l + \mu_j - 1)(u - s))] d_S r(u, s) \right\} du, \end{aligned}$$

$$A_4(t) = \int_{t_0}^t \left\{ \int_0^\infty [f(u, x(n_k, n+m_l+\mu_j-1)(u-s)) - f(u, x(n+m_l+\mu_j-1)(u-s))] d_S r(u, s) \right\} du,$$

$$A_5(t) = \int_{t_0}^t [g_{n_k}(u) - g(u)] du.$$

It is easy to see that for $t \in [t_0, T]$ we have $\|A_3(t)\| \leq V \|\bar{f}_{n_k} - \bar{f}\|_{\mathcal{S}}$ and $\|A_5(t)\| \leq \|g_{n_k} - g\|_{\mathcal{G}}$. Let $W_{n_k}(t) = \|f(u, x(n_k, n+m_l+\mu_j-1)(u-s)) - f(u, x(n+m_l+\mu_j-1)(u-s))\|$ for fixed n, m_l and μ_j . The functions W_{n_k} are measurable on $[t_0, T]$, and such that $\|W_{n_k}(t)\| \leq 2m_j(t)$. Since $\lim W_{n_k}(t) = 0$ uniformly with respect to s, n, m_l and μ_j , then $A_4(t) \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$. Then passing to the limit in (4) as $k \rightarrow \infty$ we obtain

$$x(n+m_l+\mu_j)(t) = \mathcal{S}(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t \left\{ \int_0^\infty f(u, x(n+m_l+\mu_j-1)(u-s)) d_S r(u, s) + g(u) \right\} du$$

for $t \in [t_0, T]$ and $n, l, j = 1, 2, \dots$. Obviously for $t \leq t_0$ and $n, l, j = 1, 2, \dots$ we have $x(n+m_l+\mu_j)(t) = \mathcal{S}(t)$. Therefore $x(n+m_l+\mu_j) = y_{n+m_l+\mu_j}^h$ for $n, l, j = 1, 2, \dots$. For $k, n, l, j = 1, 2, \dots$ we have $\|x(n_k, n+m_l+\mu_j)(t_\tau) - x(n_k, n+m_l+\nu_j)(t_\tau)\| > 1/p - 1/l - 1/j$. Therefore $\|y_{n+m_l+\mu_j}^h(t_\tau) - y_{n+m_l+\nu_j}^h(t_\tau)\| > 1/p - 1/l - 1/j$ for $n, l, j = 1, 2, \dots$. Hence it is not difficult to see that $\Delta(h, t_\tau) \geq 1/p$. Then $h \in \Omega_{MNpq\tau}$.

Lemma 4. $\Omega_{MNpq\tau}$ are non-dense in \mathcal{H} for every $M, N, p, q, \tau = 1, 2, \dots$

Proof. Suppose $\Omega_{MNpq\tau}$ is dense in a sphere $S_\xi(h_0)$ with a center $h_0 = (\mathcal{S}_0, \bar{f}_0, g_0) \in \mathcal{H}$ and a radius $\xi > 0$. Then $S_\xi(h_0) \subset \bar{\Omega}_{MNpq\tau}$. Hence and Lemma 3 we obtain $S_\xi(h_0) \subset \Omega_{MNpq\tau}$. Note that for every $h = (\mathcal{S}, \bar{f}, g)$ and $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^n$ there exists a number $a > 0$ such that the sequence $\{y_n^h\}$ corresponding to h is just the same as $\{y_n^{h|Q}\}$ corresponding to $h|Q$, where $h|Q = (\mathcal{S}, \bar{f}|Q, g)$. Here $\bar{f}|Q$ denotes the constraction of \bar{f} to a set $Q = \{(t, y) \in P : \|y - \eta\| \leq a\}$. In virtue of Theorem 2 for $f_0|Q$ and $\delta > 0$ there is a function $f^\delta : Q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that (i)–(iii) hold. Then $\max_{y \in Q} \{\|f^\delta(t, y) - f_0(t, y)\|\} < \delta$ for a.e. $t \in [t_0, T]$. Taking $\delta < \xi / (T - t_0)$ we obtain $\|\bar{f}^\delta - \bar{f}_0\|_{\mathcal{S}} < \xi$. Then $h^\delta = (\mathcal{S}, \bar{f}^\delta, g) \in S_\xi(h_0)$. But $\Delta(h^\delta, t) = 0$ for every $t \in [t_0, T]$. Then $h^\delta \notin \Omega_{MNpq\tau}$. This completes the proof.

Now we can prove the main result of this paper.

Theorem 5. The set \mathcal{A} of those $h = (\mathcal{S}, \bar{f}, g) \in \mathcal{H}$ for which successive approximations $\{y_n^h\}$ are not converging is of Baire's first category in the space (\mathcal{H}, ρ) .

Proof. In virtue of Lemma 4 it is enough to show that

$$\mathcal{A} = \bigcup_{M=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{N=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{p=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{q=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{\tau=1}^{\infty} \Omega_{MNpq\tau}.$$

Since $\Omega_{MNpq\tau} \subset \mathcal{A}$ for $M, N, p, q, \tau = 1, 2, \dots$ then it remain to show that

$\mathcal{A} \subset \bigcup_{M=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{N=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{p=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{q=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{\tau=1}^{\infty} \Omega_{MNpq\tau}$. Let us observe that $\mathcal{A} = \{h \in \mathcal{H} : \text{there is } t_h \in [t_0, T] ; \Delta(h, t_h) > 0\}$. Suppose $h = (\mathcal{S}, \tilde{f}, g) \in \mathcal{A}$. Then there is a positive integer \tilde{p} and a point $\tilde{t}_h \in [t_0, T]$ so that $\Delta(h, \tilde{t}_h) \geq 2/\tilde{p}$. In similar way as in the proof of Lemma 3 we can verify that for a given \tilde{p} there is an element \tilde{t}_τ of the sequence $\{t_\tau\}$ such that $\Delta(h, \tilde{t}_\tau) \geq \Delta(h, \tilde{t}_h) - 1/\tilde{p}$. Therefore there exists a positive integer τ such that $\Delta(h, t_\tau) \geq 1/\tilde{p}$. Obviously we can find positive integers \tilde{M}, \tilde{N} and \tilde{q} so that $\|\mathcal{S}\|_p \leq \tilde{N}, \|\tilde{f}\|_\infty \leq \tilde{M}$ and $\|g\|_G \leq \tilde{q}$. Therefore $h \in \Omega_{\tilde{M}\tilde{N}\tilde{p}\tilde{q}\tau}$. Hence it follows $\mathcal{A} \subset \bigcup_{M=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{N=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{p=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{q=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{\tau=1}^{\infty} \Omega_{MNpq\tau}$.

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