

CONTINUATION METHODS FOR INTEGRAL EQUATIONS IN LOCALLY CONVEX SPACES

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Abstract. The continuation method is used to investigate the existence of solutions to integral equations in locally convex spaces.

1. Introduction

In this article we study the problem of the existence of solutions for the Fredholm integral equation

$$x(t) = \int_0^1 K(t, s, x(s))ds, \quad t \in [0, 1]. \quad (1.1)$$

and the Volterra integral equation

$$x(t) = \int_0^t K(t, s, x(s))ds, \quad t \in [0, 1] \quad (1.2)$$

where the functions x, K have values in a locally convex space.

In paper [2] the above equations are studied using fixed point theorems for self-maps. Our approach is based on the continuation method.

The results presented in this paper extend and complement those in [2]-[5].

We finish this section by stating the main result from [1] which will be used in the next section.

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For a map $H : D \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X$, where $D \subset X$, we will use the following notations:

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma &= \{(x, \lambda) \in D \times [0, 1] : H(x, \lambda) = x\}, \\ S &= \{x \in D : H(x, \lambda) = x \text{ for some } \lambda \in [0, 1]\}, \\ \Lambda &= \{\lambda \in [0, 1] : H(x, \lambda) = x \text{ for some } x \in D\}.\end{aligned}\tag{1.3}$$

Theorem 1.1. *Let X be a set endowed with the separating gauge structures $\mathcal{P} = \{p_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ and $\mathcal{Q}^\lambda = \{q_\beta^\lambda\}_{\beta \in B}$ for $\lambda \in [0, 1]$. Let $D \subset X$ be \mathcal{P} -sequentially closed, $H : D \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ a map, and assume that the following conditions are satisfied:*

(i) *for each $\lambda \in [0, 1]$, there exists a function $\varphi_\lambda : B \rightarrow B$ and $a^\lambda \in [0, 1)^B$, $a^\lambda = \{a_\beta^\lambda\}_{\beta \in B}$ such that*

$$q_\beta^\lambda(H(x, \lambda), H(y, \lambda)) \leq a_\beta^\lambda q_{\varphi_\lambda(\beta)}^\lambda(x, y),\tag{1.4}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_\beta^\lambda a_{\varphi_\lambda(\beta)}^\lambda a_{\varphi_\lambda^2(\beta)}^\lambda \dots a_{\varphi_\lambda^{n-1}(\beta)}^\lambda q_{\varphi_\lambda^n(\beta)}^\lambda(x, y) < \infty\tag{1.5}$$

for every $\beta \in B$ and $x, y \in D$;

(ii) *there exists $\rho > 0$ such that for each $(x, \lambda) \in \Sigma$, there is a $\beta \in B$ with*

$$\inf\{q_\beta^\lambda(x, y) : y \in X \setminus D\} > \rho;\tag{1.6}$$

(iii) *for each $\lambda \in [0, 1]$, there is a function $\psi : A \rightarrow B$ and $c \in (0, \infty)^A$, $c = \{c_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ such that*

$$p_\alpha(x, y) \leq c_\alpha q_{\psi(\alpha)}^\lambda(x, y) \quad \text{for all } \alpha \in A \text{ and } x, y \in X;\tag{1.7}$$

(iv) *(X, \mathcal{P}) is a sequentially complete gauge space;*

(v) *if $\lambda \in [0, 1]$, $x_0 \in D$, $x_n = H(x_{n-1}, \lambda)$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$, and $\mathcal{P}\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$, then $H(x, \lambda) = x$;*

(vi) *for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta = \delta(\varepsilon) > 0$ with*

$$q_{\varphi_\lambda^n(\beta)}^\lambda(x, H(x, \lambda)) \leq (1 - a_{\varphi_\lambda^n(\beta)}^\lambda)\varepsilon$$

for $(x, \mu) \in \Sigma$, $|\lambda - \mu| \leq \delta$, all $\beta \in B$, and $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

In addition, assume that $H_0 := H(\cdot, 0)$ has a fixed point. Then, for each $\lambda \in [0, 1]$, the map $H_\lambda := H(\cdot, \lambda)$ has a unique fixed point.

Remark 1.2. Notice that, by condition (ii) we have: for each $(x, \lambda) \in \Sigma$, there is a $\beta \in B$ such that the set

$$B(x, \lambda, \beta) = \{y \in X : q_{\varphi_{\lambda}^n(\beta)}(x, y) \leq \rho, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset D. \quad (1.8)$$

The proof of Theorem 1.1, in [1], shows that the contraction condition (1.4) given on D , can be asked only on sets of the form (1.8), more exactly for $(x, \lambda) \in \Sigma$ and $y \in B(x, \lambda, \beta)$.

2. Existence Results

This section contains existence results for the equations (1.1) and (1.2).

Theorem 2.1. Let E be a locally convex space, Hausdorff separated, complete by sequences, with the topology defined by the saturated and sufficient set of semi-norms $\{|\cdot|_{\alpha}, \alpha \in A\}$ and let $\delta > 0$ be a fixed number. Assume that the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1) $K : [0, 1]^2 \times E \rightarrow E$ is continuous;
- (2) there exists $r = \{r_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in A}$ such that, any solution x of the equation

$$x(t) = \lambda \int_0^1 K(t, s, x(s)) ds, \quad t \in [0, 1], \quad (2.9)$$

for some $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ satisfies $|x(t)|_{\alpha} \leq r_{\alpha}$, for all $t \in [0, 1]$ and $\alpha \in A$;

- (3) there exists $\{L_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in A} \in [0, 1)^A$ such that

$$|K(t, s, x) - K(t, s, y)|_{\alpha} \leq L_{\alpha} |x - y|_{f(\alpha)} \quad (2.10)$$

whenever $\alpha \in A$, for all $t, s \in [0, 1]$ and $x, y \in E_r$ where $E_r = \{x \in E : \text{there exists } \alpha \in A \text{ such that } |x|_{\alpha} \leq r_{\alpha} + \delta\}$;

- (4)

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} L_{\alpha} L_{f(\alpha)} \dots L_{f^n(\alpha)} < \infty \quad (2.11)$$

for every $\alpha \in A$;

- (5) for every $\alpha \in A$ and for each continuous function $g : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$ one has

$$\sup\{|g(t)|_{f^n(\alpha)} : t \in [0, 1], n = 0, 1, 2, \dots\} < \infty;$$

(6) there exists C with $0 < C \leq \frac{1 - L_{f^n(\alpha)}}{M_{f^n(\alpha)}}$ for all $\alpha \in A$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, where

$$M_\alpha := \sup_{\substack{t, s \in [0, 1], \\ |x|_{f(\alpha)} \leq r_{f(\alpha)}}} |K(t, s, x)|_\alpha.$$

Then problem (1.1) has a solution.

Notice that $M_\alpha < \infty$. Indeed, from (2.10) we have

$$\begin{aligned} |K(t, s, x)|_\alpha &\leq |K(t, s, x) - K(t, s, 0)|_\alpha + |K(t, s, 0)|_\alpha \\ &\leq L_\alpha r_{f(\alpha)} + \max_{t, s \in [0, 1]} |K(t, s, 0)|_\alpha < \infty \end{aligned}$$

for all $t, s \in [0, 1]$ and $x \in E$ with $|x|_{f(\alpha)} \leq r_{f(\alpha)}$.

Proof. We shall apply Theorem 1.1. Let $X = C([0, 1], E)$. For each $\alpha \in A$ we define the map $d_\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$, by

$$d_\alpha(x, y) = \max_{t \in [0, 1]} |x(t) - y(t)|_\alpha.$$

It is easy to show that d_α is a pseudo-metric on X and the family $\{d_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ defines on X a gauge structure, separated and complete by sequences.

Here $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{Q}^\lambda = \{d_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ for every $\lambda \in [0, 1]$. Let D be the closure in X of the set

$$\{x \in X : d_\alpha(x, 0) \leq r_\alpha + \delta \text{ for some } \alpha \in A\}.$$

We define $H : D \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X$, by $H(x, \lambda) = \lambda A(x)$, where

$$A(x)(t) = \int_0^1 K(t, s, x(s)) ds.$$

In what follows we shall check conditions (i)-(vi) in Theorem 1.1. We shall start with condition (ii) by technical reason.

Condition (ii) becomes: there exists $\rho > 0$ such that for each solution $(x, \lambda) \in D \times [0, 1]$, of $x = H(x, \lambda)$, there is an $\alpha \in A$ with

$$\inf\{d_\alpha(x, y) : y \in X \setminus D\} > \rho.$$

To prove this, let us note that if $y \in X \setminus D$, one has $d_\alpha(y, 0) > r_\alpha + \delta$ for every $\alpha \in A$. Consequently, for at least one $t \in [0, 1]$,

$$|x(t) - y(t)|_\alpha \geq |y(t)|_\alpha - |x(t)|_\alpha > r_\alpha + \delta - r_\alpha = \delta.$$

Then $d_\alpha(x, y) > \delta$. Hence (ii) holds for any $\rho \in (0, \delta)$.

Condition (i) becomes: for each $\alpha \in A$ there exists $f(\alpha) \in A$ and $L_\alpha \in [0, 1]$ such that

$$d_\alpha(H(x, \lambda), H(y, \lambda)) \leq L_\alpha d_{f(\alpha)}(x, y), \quad (2.12)$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} L_\alpha L_{f(\alpha)} \dots L_{f^{n-1}(\alpha)} d_{f^n(\alpha)}(x, y) < \infty, \quad (2.13)$$

for all $x, y \in D$.

According to Remark 1.2, it suffices to have (2.12) on sets of the form (1.8). Let $(x, \lambda) \in D \times [0, 1]$, such that $H(x, \lambda) = x$, and let $\beta \in A$. The set $B(x, \lambda, \beta) := \{y \in X : d_{f^n(\beta)}(x, y) \leq \rho, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is included in D . From the fact that $H(x, \lambda) = x$ it follows that $|x(t)|_\alpha \leq r_\alpha$, for every $t \in [0, 1]$ and $\alpha \in A$; from $y \in B(x, \lambda, \beta)$ it follows that $|y(t)|_\beta \leq r_\beta + \delta$, for every $t \in [0, 1]$.

Then for x with $H(x, \lambda) = x$ and $y \in B(x, \lambda, \beta)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} |H(x, \lambda)(t) - H(y, \lambda)(t)|_\alpha &= \lambda \left| \int_0^1 (K(t, s, x(s)) - K(t, s, y(s))) ds \right|_\alpha \\ &\leq \lambda \int_0^1 |K(t, s, x(s)) - K(t, s, y(s))|_\alpha ds \\ &\leq \lambda \int_0^1 L_\alpha |x(s) - y(s)|_{f(\alpha)} ds \\ &\leq \lambda L_\alpha \max_{t \in [0, 1]} |x(s) - y(s)|_{f(\alpha)} \\ &= \lambda L_\alpha d_{f(\alpha)}(x, y) \\ &\leq L_\alpha d_{f(\alpha)}(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

Then $\max_{t \in [0, 1]} |H(x, \lambda)(t) - H(y, \lambda)(t)|_\alpha \leq L_\alpha d_{f(\alpha)}(x, y)$, that is (2.12).

Now (2.13) follows from (4) and (5).

Condition (iii) is trivial since $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{Q}^\lambda$.

Condition (iv): $(X, \{d_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A})$ is a sequentially complete gauge space since E is complete by sequences.

Condition (v): Let $\lambda \in [0, 1]$, $x_0 \in D$, $x_n = H(x_{n-1}, \lambda)$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and assume $\mathcal{P}\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$. We wish to obtain that $H(x, \lambda) = x$.

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |H(x, \lambda)(t) - x(t)|_\alpha &= |H(x, \lambda)(t) - x_n(t) + x_n(t) - x(t)|_\alpha \\
 &\leq |H(x, \lambda)(t) - x_n(t)|_\alpha + |x_n(t) - x(t)|_\alpha \\
 &= |H(x, \lambda)(t) - H(x_{n-1}, \lambda)(t)|_\alpha + |x_n(t) - x(t)|_\alpha \\
 &\leq \int_0^1 L_\alpha |x(s) - x_{n-1}(s)|_{f(\alpha)} ds + |x_n(t) - x(t)|_\alpha \\
 &\leq L_\alpha \max_{s \in [0, 1]} |x(s) - x_{n-1}(s)|_{f(\alpha)} + \sup_{t \in [0, 1]} |x_n(t) - x(t)|_\alpha \\
 &= L_\alpha d_{f(\alpha)}(x_{n-1}, x) + d_\alpha(x_n, x).
 \end{aligned}$$

Passing to the supremum we obtain

$$d_\alpha(H(x, \lambda), x) \leq L_\alpha d_{f(\alpha)}(x_{n-1}, x) + d_\alpha(x_n, x).$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$, we deduce $d_\alpha(H(x, \lambda), x) = 0$. Since this equality is true for all $\alpha \in A$ and $\{d_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ is separated, we have $H(x, \lambda) = x$ as we wished.

Condition (vi) becomes: for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta = \delta(\varepsilon) > 0$ such that

$$d_{f^n(\alpha)}(x, H(x, \lambda)) \leq (1 - L_{f^n(\alpha)})\varepsilon$$

whenever $(x, \mu) \in D \times [0, 1]$, $H(x, \mu) = x$, $|\lambda - \mu| \leq \delta$, $\alpha \in A$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Indeed, using (2) and (6) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 |x(t) - H(x, \lambda)(t)|_{f^n(\alpha)} &= |H(x, \mu)(t) - H(x, \lambda)(t)|_{f^n(\alpha)} \\
 &= |\mu - \lambda| \left| \int_0^1 K(t, s, x(s)) ds \right|_{f^n(\alpha)} \\
 &\leq |\mu - \lambda| \int_0^1 |K(t, s, x(s))|_{f^n(\alpha)} ds \\
 &\leq |\mu - \lambda| M_{f^n(\alpha)} \\
 &\leq |\mu - \lambda| \frac{1 - L_{f^n(\alpha)}}{C}.
 \end{aligned}$$

So condition (vi) is true with $\delta(\varepsilon) = C\varepsilon$.

In addition $H(., 0) = 0 \cdot A(.) = 0$. Hence $H(., 0)$ has a fixed point.

Thus all the assumptions of Theorem 1.1 are satisfied and the proof is completed. \square

In Banach space, Theorem 2.1 becomes the following well-known result.

Corollary 2.2. *Let $(E, |\cdot|)$ be a Banach space. Assume that the following conditions are satisfied:*

- (1) $K : [0, 1]^2 \times E \rightarrow E$ is continuous;
- (2) there exists $r > 0$ such that, any solution x of the equation

$$x(t) = \lambda \int_0^1 K(t, s, x(s)) ds, \quad t \in [0, 1], \quad (2.14)$$

for some $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ satisfies $|x(t)| < r$, for all $t \in [0, 1]$ and any $\lambda \in [0, 1]$;

- (3) there exists $L \in [0, 1)$ such that

$$|K(t, s, x) - K(t, s, y)| \leq L |x - y| \quad (2.15)$$

for all $t, s \in [0, 1]$ and $x, y \in E$ with $|x|, |y| \leq r$.

Then problem (1.1) has a solution.

Notice that an analogue result is true for Volterra integral equation (1.2).

In particular, we obtain an existence principle for the initial value problem

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) = K(t, x(t)) & t \in [0, 1] \\ x(0) = 0 \end{cases} \quad (2.16)$$

is equivalent to the integral equation

$$x(t) = \int_0^t K(s, x(s))ds, \quad t \in [0, 1] \quad (2.17)$$

for which the following result holds.

Theorem 2.3. *Let E be a locally convex space, Hausdorff separated, complete by the sequences, with the topology defined by the saturated and sufficient set of semi-norms $\{|\cdot|_\alpha, \alpha \in A\}$ and let $\delta > 0$ be a fixed number. Assume that the following conditions are satisfied:*

- (1) $K : [0, 1] \times E \rightarrow E$ is continuous;
- (2) there exists $r = \{r_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ such that, any solution x of the equation

$$x(t) = \lambda \int_0^t K(s, x(s))ds \quad t \in [0, 1]$$

for some $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ satisfies $|x(t)|_\alpha \leq r_\alpha$, for all $t \in [0, 1]$ and $\alpha \in A$;

- (3) there exists $\{L_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A} \in [0, 1]^A$ such that

$$|K(t, x) - K(t, y)|_\alpha \leq L_\alpha |x - y|_{f(\alpha)}$$

whenever $\alpha \in A$, for all $t \in [0, 1]$ and $x, y \in E_r$;

- (4) $\sum_{n=0}^\infty L_\alpha L_{f(\alpha)} \dots L_{f^n(\alpha)} < \infty$, for every $\alpha \in A$;
- (5) for every $\alpha \in A$ and for each continuous function $g : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$, one has

$$\sup\{|g(t)|_{f^n(\alpha)} : t \in [0, 1], n = 0, 1, 2, \dots\} < \infty;$$

- (6) there exists C with $0 < C \leq \frac{1 - L_{f^n(\alpha)}}{M_{f^n(\alpha)}}$, for all $\alpha \in A$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, where

$$M_\alpha := \sup_{\substack{t \in [0, 1], \\ |x|_{f(\alpha)} \leq r_{f(\alpha)}}} |K(t, x)|_\alpha.$$

Then, the problem (2.17) has a solution.

The next theorem is concerning with the "a priori" boundedness condition

(2).

Theorem 2.4. *Assume $K : [0, 1] \times E \rightarrow E$ is continuous. In addition assume that for each $\alpha \in A$, there exists $\beta_\alpha \in C([0, 1], \mathbb{R}_+)$ and $\psi_\alpha : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ nondecreasing with $\frac{1}{\psi_\alpha} \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R}_+)$ such that*

$$|K(t, x)|_\alpha \leq \beta_\alpha(t)\psi_\alpha(|x|_\alpha), \text{ for } x \in E, t \in [0, 1] \quad (2.18)$$

and

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{d\tau}{\psi_\alpha(\tau)} > \int_0^1 \beta_\alpha(s)ds. \quad (2.19)$$

Then condition (2) in Theorem 2.3 is satisfied..

Proof. Let x be any solution of the problem

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) = \lambda K(t, x(t)), & t \in [0, 1] \\ x(0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

for some $\lambda \in [0, 1]$, and let $\alpha \in A$ be arbitrary. Then

$$x(t) = \lambda \int_0^t K(s, x(s))ds, \quad t \in [0, 1]$$

and so

$$|x(t)|_\alpha \leq \lambda \int_0^t |K(s, x(s))|_\alpha ds = \lambda \int_0^t |x'(s)|_\alpha ds.$$

Let $w_\alpha(t) = \int_0^t |x'(s)|_\alpha ds$. Then $|x(t)|_\alpha \leq w_\alpha(t)$ on $[0, 1]$. Using (2.18) we obtain

$$w'_\alpha(t) = |x'(t)|_\alpha = \lambda |K(t, x(t))|_\alpha \leq \lambda \beta_\alpha(t)\psi_\alpha(|x(t)|_\alpha) \leq \lambda \beta_\alpha(t)\psi_\alpha(w_\alpha(t))$$

on $[0, 1]$. Next

$$\frac{w'_\alpha(t)}{\psi_\alpha(w_\alpha(t))} \leq \lambda \beta_\alpha(t) \leq \beta_\alpha(t)$$

and

$$\int_0^t \frac{w'_\alpha(s)}{\psi_\alpha(w_\alpha(s))} ds \leq \int_0^t \beta_\alpha(s)ds \leq \int_0^1 \beta_\alpha(s)ds.$$

Make the following change of variable $w_\alpha(s) = \tau$ and use (2.19) to derive

$$\int_0^{w_\alpha(t)} \frac{d\tau}{\psi_\alpha(\tau)} \leq \int_0^1 \beta_\alpha(s)ds < \int_0^\infty \frac{d\tau}{\psi_\alpha(\tau)}.$$

The last inequality implies that there exists $r_\alpha < \infty$ such that $w_\alpha(t) \leq r_\alpha$ for every $t \in [0, 1]$. Hence $|x(t)|_\alpha \leq r_\alpha$, for every $t \in [0, 1]$. Therefore (2) holds. \square

A better existence result is true for the Volterra integral equation

$$x(t) = \int_0^t K(t, s, x(s))ds, \quad t \in [0, 1]. \quad (2.20)$$

Theorem 2.5. *Let E be a locally convex space, Hausdorff separated, complete by the sequences, with the topology defined by the saturated and sufficient set of semi-norms $\{|\cdot|_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$ and let $\delta > 0$ a fixed number. Assume that the following conditions are satisfied:*

- (1) $K : [0, 1]^2 \times E \rightarrow E$ is continuous;
- (2) there exists $r = \{r_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ such that each solution x of the equation

$$x(t) = \lambda \int_0^t K(t, s, x(s))ds, \quad t \in [0, 1]$$

for some $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ satisfies $|x(t)|_\alpha \leq r_\alpha$, for all $t \in [0, 1]$ and $\alpha \in A$;

- (3) there exists $\{L_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A} \in (0, \infty)^A$ such that

$$|K(t, s, x) - K(t, s, y)|_\beta \leq L_\alpha |x - y|_{f(\beta)} \quad \text{for every } \beta \in \mathcal{O}_\alpha$$

whenever $\alpha \in A$; $t, s \in [0, 1]$ and $x, y \in E_r$; here $\mathcal{O}_\alpha := \{\alpha, f(\alpha), f^2(\alpha), \dots\}$;

- (4) for every $\alpha \in A$ and for each continuous function $g : [0, 1] \rightarrow E$ one has

$$\sup\{|g(t)|_{f^n(\alpha)} : t \in [0, 1], n = 0, 1, 2, \dots\} < \infty;$$

- (5) $\sup_n M_{f^n(\alpha)} < \infty$, for every $\alpha \in A$.

Then problem (2.20) has a solution.

Proof. We also apply Theorem 1.1. Let $X = C([0, 1], E)$. We define the applications $\|\cdot\|_\alpha : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ by

$$\|x\|_\alpha = \max_{t \in [0, 1]} (|x(t)|_\alpha e^{-\theta_\alpha t})$$

where $\theta_\alpha > 0$ will be precised in what follows. This applications are semi-norms on the linear space X , and the family $\{\|\cdot\|_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ defines on X a structure of a locally convex space, separated, complete by sequences.

Let $a < 1$. For each $\alpha \in A$ and $\theta_\alpha > 0$, we define the pseudo-metric $d_\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$, by

$$d_\alpha(x, y) = \|x - y\|_\alpha.$$

Here again $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{Q}^\lambda = \{d_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ for all $\lambda \in [0, 1]$. Let D be the closure of

$$\{x \in X : \text{there is } \alpha \in A \text{ with } d_\alpha(x, 0) \leq r_\alpha + \delta\}.$$

We define $H : D \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X$, by $H(x, \lambda) = \lambda A(x)$, where

$$A(x)(t) = \int_0^t K(t, s, x(s)) ds.$$

Now we check conditions (i)-(vi) from Theorem 1.1.

First we check *condition (ii)*: For any $y \in X \setminus D$ one has $d_\alpha(y, 0) > r_\alpha + \delta$ for every $\alpha \in A$. Then for at least one $t \in [0, 1]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |x(t) - y(t)|_\alpha e^{-\theta_\alpha t} &\geq (|y(t)|_\alpha - |x(t)|_\alpha) e^{-\theta_\alpha t} \\ &= |y(t)|_\alpha e^{-\theta_\alpha t} - |x(t)|_\alpha e^{-\theta_\alpha t} \\ &\geq d_\alpha(y, 0) - d_\alpha(x, 0) \\ &> r_\alpha + \delta - r_\alpha = \delta. \end{aligned}$$

Then $d_\alpha(x, y) > \delta$ for all $y \in X \setminus D$. So $\inf\{d_\alpha(x, y) : y \in X \setminus D\} > \rho$ for any $\rho \in (0, \delta)$.

Condition (i): Using the statements made in Remark 1.2, we will check the condition (1.4) on sets of the form (1.8). Let $(x, \lambda) \in D \times [0, 1]$, such that $H(x, \lambda) = x$, and let $\beta \in A$. The set $B(x, \lambda, \beta) := \{y \in X : d_{f^n(\beta)}(x, y) \leq \rho, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is included in D . From the fact that $H(x, \lambda) = x$ it follows that $|x(t)|_\alpha e^{-\theta_\alpha t} \leq r_\alpha$, for every $t \in [0, 1]$, every $\alpha \in A$ and $\theta_\alpha > 0$; from $y \in B(x, \lambda, \beta)$ it follows that $|y(t)|_\beta e^{-\theta_\beta t} \leq r_\beta + \delta$, for every $t \in [0, 1]$ and $\theta_\beta > 0$.

Let x with $H(x, \lambda) = x$ and $y \in B(x, \lambda, \beta)$. Then for $\gamma \in \mathcal{O}_\beta$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |H(x, \lambda)(t) - H(y, \lambda)(t)|_\gamma &= \lambda \left| \int_0^t (K(t, s, x(s)) - K(t, s, y(s))) ds \right|_\gamma \\
 &\leq \lambda \int_0^t |K(t, s, x(s)) - K(t, s, y(s))|_\gamma ds \\
 &\leq \lambda \int_0^t L_\beta |x(s) - y(s)|_{f(\gamma)} e^{-\theta_\beta s} e^{\theta_\beta s} ds \\
 &\leq \lambda L_\beta \max_{t \in [0, 1]} \left(|x(s) - y(s)|_{f(\gamma)} e^{-\theta_\beta s} \right) \int_0^t e^{\theta_\beta s} ds \\
 &= \lambda L_\beta d_{f(\gamma)}(x, y) \int_0^t e^{\theta_\beta s} ds \\
 &\leq \frac{L_\beta}{\theta_\beta} d_{f(\gamma)}(x, y) e^{\theta_\beta t}.
 \end{aligned}$$

So we have

$$|H(x, \lambda)(t) - H(y, \lambda)(t)|_\beta e^{-\theta_\beta t} \leq \frac{L_\beta}{\theta_\beta} d_{f(\gamma)}(x, y).$$

Consequently

$$d_\gamma(H(x, \lambda), H(y, \lambda)) \leq \frac{L_\beta}{\theta} d_{f(\gamma)}(x, y).$$

We choose $\theta_\alpha > 0$ large enough that

$$\frac{L_\alpha}{\theta_\alpha} \leq a$$

and

$$L_\alpha + \sup_n M_{f^n(\alpha)} \leq \theta_\alpha \tag{2.21}$$

for all $\alpha \in A$.

For each $\alpha \in A$ series (1.5) is dominated by the convergent series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a^n$ which obviously is convergent. This together with condition (4) guarantees condition (i) from Theorem 1.1.

For *condition (iii)* and *condition (iv)* see the proff of Theorem 2.1.

Condition (v): We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |H(x, \lambda)(t) - x(t)|_\alpha &= |H(x, \lambda)(t) - x_n(t) + x_n(t) - x(t)|_\alpha \\
 &\leq |H(x, \lambda)(t) - x_n(t)|_\alpha + |x_n(t) - x(t)|_\alpha \\
 &= |H(x, \lambda)(t) - H(x_{n-1}, \lambda)(t)|_\alpha + |x_n(t) - x(t)|_\alpha \\
 &\leq \int_0^t L_\alpha |x(s) - x_{n-1}(s)|_{f(\alpha)} e^{-\theta_\alpha s} e^{\theta_\alpha s} ds + |x_n(t) - x(t)|_\alpha \\
 &\leq L_\alpha \max_{s \in [0,1]} \left(|x(s) - x_{n-1}(s)|_{f(\alpha)} e^{-\theta_\alpha s} \right) \int_0^t e^{\theta_\alpha s} ds + \\
 &\quad + |x_n(t) - x(t)|_\alpha \leq \frac{L_\alpha}{\theta_\alpha} d_{f(\alpha)}(x_{n-1}, x) e^{\theta_\alpha t} + |x_n(t) - x(t)|_\alpha.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$|H(x, \lambda)(t) - x(t)|_\alpha \leq \frac{L_\alpha}{\theta_\alpha} d_{f(\alpha)}(x_{n-1}, x) e^{\theta_\alpha t} + |x_n(t) - x(t)|_\alpha.$$

If we multiply by $e^{-\theta_\alpha t}$, we obtain

$$|H(x, \lambda)(t) - x(t)|_\alpha e^{-\theta_\alpha t} \leq d_{f(\alpha)}(x_{n-1}, x) + |x_n(t) - x(t)|_\alpha e^{-\theta_\alpha t}.$$

Taking the supremum into the above inequality, we obtain

$$d_\alpha(H(x, \lambda), x) \leq d_{f(\alpha)}(x_{n-1}, x) + d_\alpha(x_n, x).$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$, we deduce that $d_\alpha(H(x, \lambda), x) = 0$ and so $H(x, \lambda) = x$.

Condition (vi) From

$$\begin{aligned}
 |x(t) - H(x, \lambda)(t)|_{f^n(\alpha)} &= |H(x, \mu)(t) - H(x, \lambda)(t)|_{f^n(\alpha)} \\
 &= |\mu - \lambda| \left| \int_0^t K(t, s, x(s)) ds \right|_{f^n(\alpha)} \\
 &\leq |\mu - \lambda| \int_0^t |K(t, s, x(s))|_{f^n(\alpha)} e^{-\theta_\alpha s} e^{\theta_\alpha s} ds \\
 &\leq |\mu - \lambda| M_{f^n(\alpha)} \int_0^t e^{\theta_\alpha s} ds.
 \end{aligned}$$

we obtain

$$|x(t) - H(x, \lambda)(t)|_{f^n(\alpha)} \leq |\mu - \lambda| \frac{M_{f^n(\alpha)}}{\theta_\alpha} e^{\theta_\alpha t},$$

and using (2.21) we deduce

$$|x(t) - H(x, \lambda)(t)|_{f^n(\alpha)} e^{-\theta_\alpha t} \leq |\mu - \lambda| \frac{M_{f^n(\alpha)}}{\theta_\alpha} \leq |\mu - \lambda| \left(1 - \frac{L_\alpha}{\theta_\alpha}\right).$$

So condition(vi) is true for $\delta = \varepsilon$.

In addition $H(., 0) = 0 \cdot A(.) = 0$. Hence $H(., 0)$ has a fixed point. Thus Theorem (1.1), applies. \square

In case that $f : A \rightarrow A$ is the identity map, Theorem 2.5 reduces to the following result.

Theorem 2.6. *Let E be a locally convex space, Hausdorff separated, complete by the sequences, with the topology defined by the saturated and sufficient set of semi-norms $\{|\cdot|_\alpha, \alpha \in A\}$ and $\delta > 0$ a fixed number. Assume that the following conditions are satisfied:*

- (1) $K : [0, 1]^2 \times E \rightarrow E$ is continuous;
- (2) there exists $r = \{r_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$ such that, each solution x of the problems

$$x(t) = \lambda \int_0^t K(t, s, x(s)) ds$$

has the property $|x(t)|_\alpha \leq r_\alpha$, for all $t \in [0, 1], \alpha \in A$ and every $\lambda \in [0, 1]$;

- (3) there exists $L_\alpha > 0$ such that

$$|K(t, s, x) - K(t, s, y)|_\alpha \leq L_\alpha |x - y|_{f_\alpha}$$

whenever $\alpha \in A$, for all $t, s \in [0, 1]$, and $x, y \in E_r$;

Then, the problem (2.20) has a solution.

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