

Application of the Leray-Schauder Nonlinear Alternative

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Consider the following initial value problem

$$y'(t) = f(t, y(t), Ky(t)), \quad y(0) = 0 \quad a.e. \quad t \in I, \quad (1)$$

where $I = [0, T]$, $f : I \times R^n \times R^n \rightarrow R^n$, and $Ky(t) = \int_0^T \kappa(t, s, y(s))ds$ is a Fredholm operator with $\kappa : I \times I \times R^n \rightarrow R^n$.

Similarly problems have been investigated in [1,2,3]. Throughout this contribution the space of continuous functions on the interval I is denoted by $C(I)$ with the norm $|\cdot|_0$ given by

$$|y|_0 = \sup_{t \in [0, T]} |y(t)|.$$

$L^p(I)$, $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, is the space of measurable functions. For $y \in L^p(I)$ the norm is given by

$$\|y\|_p = \left(\int_I |y(t)|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq p < \infty,$$
$$\|y\|_p = \text{ess sup}_{t \in I} |y(t)| \quad \text{for } p = \infty.$$

Finally, $AC(I)$ is the space of absolutely continuous functions on I .

To obtain an existence theorem for (1) there is used Leray-Schauder Nonlinear Alternative type:

Let C be a convex subset of a normed linear space E , and let U be an open subset of C with $p^ \in U$. Then every compact, continuous map $\tilde{N} : \bar{U} \rightarrow C$ has at least one of the following two properties:*

(I) \tilde{N} has a fixed point.

(II) there is a $x \in \partial U$, with $x = (1 - \lambda)p^ + \lambda\tilde{N}x$ for some $0 < \lambda < 1$.*

Definition 1. A function $f : I \times R^n \times R^n \rightarrow R^n$, is L^1 -Carathéodory, if the following conditions hold:

- (i) the map $t \mapsto f(t, x, y)$ is measurable for all $(x, y) \in R^{2n}$,*
- (ii) the map $(x, y) \mapsto f(t, x, y)$ is continuous for a.e. $t \in I$,*
- (iii) for any $r > 0$, there exists $h_r \in L^1(I)$, such that, $|f(t, x, y)| \leq h_r(t)$, for a.e. $t \in I$, and for all $|x| \leq r$, $|y| \leq r$.*

Definition 2: A function $\kappa : I \times I \times R^n \mapsto R^n$ is integrable bounded L^1 - Carathéodory in t , if the following conditions hold:

- (i) the map $s \mapsto \kappa_t(s, y) = \kappa(t, s, y)$ is measurable for all $y \in R^n$,
- (ii) the map $y \mapsto \kappa_t(s, y)$ is continuous for a.e. $s \in I$,
- (iii) for any $r > 0$, there exists $\mu_{r,t} \in L^1(I)$, such that , $|y| \leq r$ implies $|\kappa_t(s, y)| \leq \mu_{r,t}(s)$ for a.e. $s \in I$,
- (iv) $\sup_{t \in I} \int_I \mu_{r,t}(s) ds < \infty$.

Theorem. Suppose the following conditions are satisfied :

- (i) the map $(t, s) \mapsto \kappa(t, s, x)$ is measurable for all $x \in R^n$, and the map $x \mapsto \kappa(t, s, x)$ is continuous for a.e. $(t, s) \in I \times I$,
- (ii) κ is integrably bounded L^1 -Carathéodory in t ,
- (iii) f is L^1 -Carathéodory .

In addition, suppose there exists a constant $M > 0$, independent of λ , with $|y_0| < M$, $|y|_0 \neq M$ for any solution $y \in AC(I)$ of

$$y'(t) = \lambda f(t, y(t), Ky(t)), \quad y(0) = 0 \quad \text{a.e. } t \in [0, T],$$

for each $\lambda \in (0, 1)$. Then (1) has at least one solution $y \in AC(I)$.

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