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ON A METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION OF THE SOLUTION OF THE
MULTIPOINT BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEM FOR A SYSTEM OF
GENERALIZED ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

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Let $t_1, \dots, t_n \in [a, b]$, $A = (a_{ik})_{i,k=1}^n \in BV_n \times n(a, b)$, $a_{ik}(t) \equiv a_{1ik}(t) - a_{2ik}(t)$, where $a_{jik}(j = 1, 2)$ are functions nondecreasing on the intervals $[a, t_i[$ and $]t_i, b]$, $A_j(t) \equiv (a_{jik}(t))_{i,k=1}^n$ ($j = 1, 2$), $f = (f_k)_{k=1}^n \in \bigcap_{j=1}^2 K_n(a, b; A_j)$, and let $\varphi_i : BV_n(a, b) \rightarrow R$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$) be continuous functionals, nonlinear, in general.

We consider a method of construction of the solution of the problem

$$dx(t) = dA(t) \cdot f(t, x(t)), \tag{0}$$

$$x_i(t_i) = \varphi_i(x) \quad (i = 1, \dots, n). \tag{1}$$

Take an arbitrary vector-function $(x_{i0})_{i=1}^n \in BV_n(a, b)$ as the initial approximation to the solution of the problem (1), (2). If the $(m-1)$ -th approximation has been constructed, then for the m -th approximation we will take a vector-function $(x_{im})_{i=1}^n \in BV_n(a, b)$ whose i -th component is the solution of the Cauchy problem

$$dx_{im}(t) = \sum_{l=1}^n f_l(t, x_{1\ m-1}(t), \dots, x_{l-1\ m-1}(t), x_{im}(t), x_{l+1\ m-1}(t), \dots, x_{n\ m-1}(t)) da_{il}(t), \tag{2}$$

$$x_{im}(t_i) = \varphi_i(x_{1\ m-1}, \dots, x_{n\ m-1}) \quad (i = 1, \dots, n). \tag{3}$$

The use will be made of the following notation and definitions: $R =] - \infty, \infty[$, $R_+ = [0, \infty[$; $R^{n \times m}$ is the space of all real $n \times m$ -matrices $X = (x_{ij})_{i,j=1}^{n,m}$ with the norm $\|X\| = \max\{\sum_{i=1}^n |x_{ij}| : j = 1, \dots, m\}$; $R^n = R^{n \times 1}$. $BV_n \times m(a, b)$ is the space of all matrix-functions of bounded variation $X : [a, b] \rightarrow R^{n \times m}$ with the norm $\|X\|_s = \sup\{\|X(t)\| : t \in [a, b]\}$; $d_1 X(t) = X(t) - X(t-0)$, $d_2 X(t) = X(t+0) - X(t)$.

If $g : [a, b] \rightarrow R$ is nondecreasing, $x : [a, b] \rightarrow R$ and $a \leq s < t \leq b$, then $\int_s^t x(\tau) dg(\tau) = \int_{]s,t[} x(\tau) dg(\tau) + x(t)d_1 g(t) + x(s)d_2 g(s)$, where $\int_{]s,t[} x(\tau) dg(\tau)$ is the Lebesgue–Stieltjes integral over the open interval $]s, t[$ with respect to the measure μ_g corresponding to g . $L_n \times m(a, b; A_\sigma)$ is the set of all matrix-functions $(x_{jk}(t))_{j,k=1}^{n,m}$ such that x_{jk} is integrable with respect to $a_{\sigma ij}$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$; $\sigma = 1, 2$). $K_n(a, b; A_\sigma)$ is the Caratheodory class, i.e. the set of all vector-functions $f = (f_k)_{k=1}^n : [a, b] \times R^n \rightarrow R^n$ such that: (a) $f_k(\cdot, x)$ is $\mu_{a_{\sigma ik}}$ -measurable for $x \in R^n$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$); (b) $f_k(t, \cdot) : [a, b] \rightarrow R^n$ is continuous for $t \in [a, b]$, and $\sup\{\|f_k(\cdot, x)\| : x \in D\} \in L_n(a, b; A_\sigma)$ for every compact $D \subset R^n$ ($\sigma = 1, 2$).

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If B_1 and B_2 are normed spaces, then an operator $\varphi : B_1 \rightarrow B_2$ is called positively homogeneous if $\varphi(\lambda x) = \lambda\varphi(x)$ for every $\lambda \in R_+$ and $x \in B_1$. An operator $\varphi : BV_n(a, b) \rightarrow R^n$ is called nondecreasing if for every $x, y \in BV_n(a, b)$ such that $x(t) \leq y(t)$ for $t \in [a, b]$, the inequality $\varphi(x)(t) \leq \varphi(y)(t)$ is fulfilled for $t \in [a, b]$.

A vector-function $x = (x_i)_{i=1}^n \in BV_n(a, b)$ is said to be a solution of the system (1) (of the system $dx(t) \leq dA(t) \cdot f(t, x(t))$) if $x_i(t) - x_i(s) - \sum_{k=1}^n \int_s^t f_k(\tau, x(\tau)) da_{ik}(\tau) = 0$ (≤ 0) for $a \leq s \leq t \leq b$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$).

We say that the pair $((c_{il})_{i,l=1}^n; (\varphi_{0i})_{i=1}^n)$ consisting of a matrix-function $(c_{il})_{i,l=1}^n \in BV_{n \times n}(a, b)$ and of a positively homogeneous nondecreasing operator $(\varphi_{0i})_{i=1}^n : BV_n(a, b) \rightarrow R_+^n$ belongs to the set $U(t_1, \dots, t_n)$ if the functions c_{il} ($i \neq l$; $i, l = 1, \dots, n$) are nondecreasing on $[a, b]$ and continuous at the point t_i , $d_j c_{ii}(t) \geq 0$ for $t \in [a, b]$ ($j = 1, 2$; $i = 1, \dots, n$), and the problem $[dx_i(t) - \text{sign}(t-t_i) \sum_{l=1}^n x_l(t) dc_{il}(t)] \text{sign}(t-t_i) \leq 0$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$), $(-1)^j d_j x_i(t_i) \leq x_i(t_i) d_j c_{ii}(t_i)$ ($j = 1, 2$; $i = 1, \dots, n$), $x_i(t_i) \leq \varphi_{0i}(|x_1|, \dots, |x_n|)$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$) has no nontrivial nonnegative solution.

Theorem. *Let the conditions*

$$\begin{aligned} & (-1)^{\sigma+1} [f_k(t, x_1, \dots, x_n) - f_k(t, y_1, \dots, y_n)] \text{sign}[(t-t_i)(x_i - y_i)] \leq \\ & \leq \sum_{l=1}^n p_{\sigma i k l}(t) |x_l - y_l| \text{ for } \mu_{\sigma i k} - \text{almost every } t \in [a, b] \setminus \{t_i\} \text{ (} i, k = 1, \dots, n \text{)} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ (-1)^{\sigma+j+1} [f_k(t_i, x_1, \dots, x_n) - f_k(t_i, y_1, \dots, y_n)] \text{sign}(x_i - y_i) - \right. \\ & \left. - \sum_{l=1}^n \alpha_{\sigma i k j l} |x_l - y_l| \right\} d_j a_{\sigma i k}(t_i) \leq 0 \quad (j = 1, 2; \quad i, k = 1, \dots, n) \end{aligned}$$

be fulfilled on R^n for $\sigma \in \{1, 2\}$, and let the inequalities

$$|\varphi_i(x_1, \dots, x_n) - \varphi_i(y_1, \dots, y_n)| \leq \varphi_{0i}(|x_1 - y_1|, \dots, |x_n - y_n|) \quad (i = 1, \dots, n)$$

be fulfilled on $BV_n(a, b)$, where $\alpha_{\sigma i k j l} \in R$, $(p_{\sigma i k l})_{k,l=1}^n \in L_{n \times n}(a, b; A_\sigma)$. Let, moreover, there exist a matrix-function $(c_{il})_{i,l=1}^n \in BV_{n \times n}(a, b)$ such that $d_j c_{ii}(t) < 1$ for $(-1)^j (t-t_i) < 0$ ($j = 1, 2$; $i = 1, \dots, n$), $((c_{il})_{i,l=1}^n; (\varphi_{0i})_{i=1}^n) \in U(t_1, \dots, t_n)$,

$$\sum_{\sigma=1}^2 \sum_{k=1}^n \int_s^t p_{\sigma i k l}(\tau) da_{\sigma i k}(\tau) \leq c_{il}(t) - c_{il}(s)$$

for $a \leq s < t < t_i$ and $t_i < s < t \leq b$ ($i, l = 1, \dots, n$), and

$$\sum_{\sigma=1}^2 \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_{\sigma i k j l} d_j a_{\sigma i k}(t_i) \leq d_j c_{il}(t_i) \quad (j = 1, 2; \quad i, l = 1, \dots, n).$$

Then the problem (1), (2) has a unique solution $(x_i)_{i=1}^n$ and for every $(x_{i0})_{i=1}^n \in BV_n(a, b)$, there exists a unique sequence $(x_{im})_{i=1}^n \in BV_n(a, b)$ ($m = 1, 2, \dots$) such that the function x_{im} is a solution of the problem (3), (4) for every natural m and

$$\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i(t) - x_{im}(t)| \leq r_0 \delta^m \quad \text{for } t \in [a, b] \quad (m = 1, 2, \dots),$$

where $r_0 > 0$ and $\delta \in]0, 1[$ are numbers independent of m .

Similar results for ordinary differential equations can be found in [1].

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