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ON THE EXISTENCE OF BOUNDED SOLUTIONS OF DIFFERENTIAL  
EQUATIONS IN BANACH SPACES  
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Abstract: In this note we shall give sufficient conditions for the existence of bounded solutions of the differential equation  $y' = f(t, y)$ ,  $y(0) = x_0$ , on the half-line  $t \geq 0$ . Here  $f$  is a function with values in a Banach space satisfying some conditions expressed in terms of an axiomatic measure of noncompactness  $\mu$ . The proof of our theorem is suggested by the paper of Stokes [7] concerning finite dimensional vector differential equations.

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Introduction: Let  $(E, \|\cdot\|)$  be a Banach space. The closure of a subset  $A$  of  $E$ , its convex hull and its closed convex hull will be denoted, respectively, by  $\bar{A}$ ,  $\text{conv } A$  and  $\overline{\text{conv } A}$ . If  $A$  and  $B$  are subsets of  $E$  and  $t, s$  are real numbers, the  $t \cdot A + s \cdot B$  is the set of all  $t \cdot x + s \cdot y$ , where  $x \in A$  and  $y \in B$ . Further let  $\mathcal{M}_E$  denote the family of all nonempty and bounded subsets of  $E$  and  $\mathcal{N}_E$  - the family of all relatively compact and nonempty subsets of  $E$ .

A function  $\mu: \mathcal{M}_E \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  is said to be a measure of noncompactness if it satisfies the following conditions:

- 1° the family  $\mathcal{P} = \{A \in \mathcal{M}_E: \mu(A) = 0\}$  is nonempty and  $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{N}_E$ ,
- 2°  $\mu(\{x\}) = 0$  for all  $x \in E$ ,
- 3°  $A \subset B \implies \mu(A) \leq \mu(B)$ ,

- $4^\circ \quad \mu(\bar{A}) = \mu(A),$   
 $5^\circ \quad \mu(\text{conv } A) = \mu(A),$   
 $6^\circ \quad \mu(t \cdot A) = |t| \cdot \mu(A) \text{ for every } t \in \mathbb{R},$   
 $7^\circ \quad \mu(A + B) \leq \mu(A) + \mu(B),$   
 $8^\circ \quad \mu(A \cup B) \leq \max(\mu(A), \mu(B)).$

We put

$$\|A\| = \sup \{\|x\| : x \in A\}, \quad K(0,1) = \{x \in E : \|x\| \leq 1\}.$$

The following property of the function  $\mu$  is true:

Lemma 1. If  $A \in \mathcal{M}_E$  then  $\mu(A) \leq \|A\| \cdot \mu(K(0,1))$ .

Now let  $J = [0, +\infty)$  and denote by  $C(J)$  the set of all continuous functions from  $J$  to  $E$ . The set  $C(J)$  will be considered as a vector space endowed with the topology of uniform convergence on compact subsets of  $J$ .

Let us put  $X(t) = \{x(t) : x \in X\}$ ,  $X_t = \cup \{X(s) : 0 \leq s \leq t\}$  for  $t \in J$  and  $X \subset C(J)$ . We have

Lemma 2. If  $X \subset C(J)$  is bounded and almost equicontinuous then  $\mu(X_t) = \sup \{\mu(X(s)) : 0 \leq s \leq t\}$  for  $t \in J$ .

For properties of  $\mu$  see [1],[2],[3],[4].

The Ascoli theorem we state as follows:  $X \subset C(J)$  is conditionally compact if and only if  $X$  is almost equicontinuous and  $X(t)$  is compact for each  $t \in J$ .

We shall use the following fixed-point theorem of Sadovskii type (see [3],[5],[6]):

Let  $\mathfrak{X}$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of  $C(J)$ . Let  $\Phi : 2^{\mathfrak{X}} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  be a function with the following properties:

- (1)  $\Phi(X) = 0 \Rightarrow \bar{X}$  is compact,
- (2)  $\Phi(\overline{\text{conv } X}) = \Phi(X),$

$$(3) \quad \Phi(X \cup \{x\}) = \Phi(X)$$

for every subset  $X$  of  $\mathcal{X}$  and for each  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ .

Suppose that  $T$  is a continuous mapping of  $\mathcal{X}$  into itself and  $\Phi(T[X]) < \Phi(X)$  for  $\Phi(X) > 0$ . Then  $T$  has a fixed point in  $\mathcal{X}$ .

Main result.

Theorem. Assume that  $f: J \times E \rightarrow E$  is a function satisfying the following conditions:

- 1° for each fixed  $x \in E$  the mapping  $t \mapsto f(t, x)$  is measurable;
- 2° for each fixed  $t \in J$  the mapping  $x \mapsto f(t, x)$  is continuous;
- 3°  $\|f(t, x)\| \leq G(t, \|x\|)$  for  $(t, x) \in J \times E$ , where the function  $G$  is nondecreasing in the second variable such that  $t \mapsto G(t, u)$  is locally bounded for any fixed  $u \in J$  and  $t \mapsto G(t, y(t))$  is measurable for every continuous bounded function  $y: J \rightarrow J$ ;
- 4° the scalar inequality

$$g(t) \geq \|x_0\| + \int_0^t G(s, g(s)) ds$$

has a bounded solution  $g$  existing on  $J$ ;

(let us put  $r_0 = \sup \{g(t) : t \in J\}$  and  $Z_0 = \{x \in E : \|x\| \leq r_0\}$ )

- 5° there exist functions  $m, p$  of  $J$  into itself such that
  - (i)  $m$  is measurable and integrable on compact subsets of  $J$  with

$$M = \sup \left\{ \int_0^t m(s) ds : t \in J \right\} < \infty,$$

- (ii)  $p$  is nondecreasing such that  $M \cdot p(t) < t$  for  $t > 0$ ,
- (iii) for any  $t > 0, \epsilon > 0, X \subset Z_0$  there exists a closed subset  $Q \subset [0, t]$  such that  $\text{mes}([0, t] \setminus Q) < \epsilon$  and
 
$$\mu(f[I \times X]) \leq \sup \{m(s) : s \in I\} \cdot p(\mu(X))$$
 for each closed subset  $I$  of  $Q$ .

Then the differential equation

$$y' = f(t, y)$$

with the initial condition  $y(0) = x_0$  has at least one solution  $y$  defined on  $J$  and  $\|y(t)\| \leq g(t)$  for  $t \in J$ .

Proof: Denote by  $\mathfrak{E}$  the set of all  $x \in C(J)$  such that  $\|x(t)\| \leq g(t)$  on  $J$  and

$$\|x(t_1) - x(t_2)\| \leq \left| \int_{t_1}^{t_2} G(s, r_0) ds \right| \text{ for } t_1, t_2 \in J.$$

The set  $\mathfrak{E}$  is nonempty closed convex bounded and almost equicontinuous subset of  $C(J)$ .

Let us put

$$\Phi(X) = \sup \{ \mu(X(t)) : t \in J \} \text{ for a subset } X \subset \mathfrak{E}.$$

Obviously  $\Phi(X) < \infty$ ,  $\Phi(X_1) \leq \Phi(X_2)$  for  $X_1 \subset X_2$  and

$$\Phi(X \cup \{x\}) = \Phi(X) \text{ for } x \in \mathfrak{E}.$$

Since

$$(\overline{\text{conv}} X)(t) = (\overline{\text{conv}} X)(t) \subset \overline{(\text{conv } X)(t)} \subset \overline{\text{conv}(X(t))}$$

$$\text{so } \mu((\overline{\text{conv}} X)(t)) \leq \mu(\overline{\text{conv}(X(t))}) = \mu(X(t)),$$

The inverse inequality immediately follows from the inclusion  $X(t) \subset (\overline{\text{conv}} X)(t)$ . Hence  $\Phi(\overline{\text{conv}} X) = \Phi(X)$ . If  $\Phi(X) = 0$  then  $\overline{X(t)}$  is compact for every  $t \in J$ ; therefore Ascoli's theorem proves that  $\overline{X}$  is compact in  $C(J)$ .

To apply our fixed-point theorem we define the mapping  $T$  as follows:

$$\text{for } y \in \mathfrak{E}, (T(y))(t) = x_0 + \int_0^t f(s, y(s)) ds.$$

It is easy to see that  $T$  is continuous and  $T[\mathfrak{E}] \subset \mathfrak{E}$ .

Let  $X$  be a subset of  $\mathfrak{E}$  such that  $\Phi(X) > 0$ . To prove the theorem it remains to be shown that  $\Phi(T[X]) < \Phi(X)$ . To this end, fix  $t$  in  $J$ . Let  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$  and  $\sigma = \sigma(\varepsilon) > 0$  be a number such that  $\int_A G(s, r_0) ds < \varepsilon$  for each measurable  $A \subset [0, t]$  with  $\text{mes}(A) < \sigma$ . By the Luzin theorem there exists a closed subset  $B_1$  of  $[0, t]$  with  $\text{mes}([0, t] \setminus B_1) < \sigma/2$  such that the function  $m$  is continuous on

$B_1$ . Furthermore, by assumption 5°(iii) there exists a closed subset  $B_2$  of  $[0, t]$  such that  $\text{mes}([0, t] \setminus B_2) < \sigma/2$  and

$\mu(f[I \times X_t]) \leq \sup\{m(s) : s \in I\} \cdot p(\mu(X_t))$  for each closed subset  $I$  of  $B_2$ .

Let us put  $B = B_1 \cap B_2$ ,  $A = [0, t] \setminus B$ . Hence  $\text{mes}(A) < \sigma$ . Since  $m$  is uniformly continuous on  $B$ , for any given  $\epsilon' > 0$  there exists  $\eta > 0$  such that  $t', t'' \in B$  and  $|t' - t''| < \eta$  implies  $|m(t') - m(t'')| < \epsilon'$ . Let  $t_0 = 0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = t$  be the partition of the interval  $[0, t]$  with  $\max\{|t_{j-1} - t_j| : 1 \leq j \leq n\} < \eta$ . Moreover, let  $I_j = [t_{j-1}, t_j] \cap B$  and  $s_j$  be a point in  $I_j$  such that  $m(s_j) = \sup\{m(s) : s \in I_j\}$ .

Putting

$$\int_I f(s, X(s)) ds = \int_I f(s, x(s)) ds: x \in X^?$$

we get

$$\left\| \int_A f(s, X(s)) ds \right\| \leq \int_A G(s, r_0) ds < \epsilon < 1.$$

By the mean-value theorem, for  $x \in X$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_B f(s, c(s)) ds &= \sum_{j=1}^n \int_{I_j} f(s, x(s)) ds \in \\ &\in \sum_{j=1}^n \text{mes}(I_j) \overline{\text{conv}}\{f(s, x(s)) : s \in I_j\} \subset \\ &\subset \sum_{j=1}^n \text{mes}(I_j) \overline{\text{conv}}(f[I_j \times X_t]), \\ \text{hence } \int_B f(s, X(s)) ds &\subset \sum_{j=1}^n \text{mes}(I_j) \overline{\text{conv}}(f[I_j \times X_t]). \text{ Thus} \\ \mu(T[X](t)) &\leq \mu(\{x_0\} + \int_A f(s, X(s)) ds + \int_B f(s, X(s)) ds) \leq \\ &\leq \mu(\{x_0\}) + \left\| \int_A f(s, X(s)) ds \right\| \cdot \mu(K(0, 1)) + \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^n \text{mes}(I_j) \cdot \mu(f[I_j \times X_t]) \leq \epsilon \cdot \mu(K(0, 1)) + \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^n \text{mes}(I_j) m(s_j) p(\mu(X_t)) \leq \epsilon \cdot \mu(K(0, 1)) + \\ &+ p(\mu(X_t)) \cdot \left( \sum_{j=1}^n \int_{I_j} |m(s_j) - m(s)| ds + \sum_{j=1}^n \int_{I_j} m(s) ds \right) \leq \\ &\leq \epsilon \cdot \mu(K(0, 1)) + p(\mu(X_t)) \cdot (\epsilon' \cdot t + \int_0^t m(s) ds) \end{aligned}$$

and therefore

$$\mu(T[X](t)) \leq \varepsilon \cdot \mu(K(0,1)) + M \cdot p(\mu(X_t)).$$

Since with respect to Lemma 2

$$\mu(X_t) = \sup \{ \mu(X(s)) : 0 \leq s \leq t \} \leq \Phi(X)$$

we obtain

$$\mu(T[X](t)) \leq \varepsilon \cdot \mu(K(0,1)) + M \cdot p(\Phi(X));$$

as  $\varepsilon > 0$  is arbitrary, this implies

$$\mu(T[X](t)) \leq M \cdot p(\Phi(X)).$$

Hence  $\Phi(T[X]) \leq M \cdot p(\Phi(X)) < \Phi(X)$ , and consequently  $T$  has a fixed point in  $\mathfrak{E}$ . The proof is complete.

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