

GLOBAL CONVERGENCE OF SUCCESSIVE APPROXIMATIONS
OF SOLUTIONS FOR FUNCTIONAL DIFFERENTIAL
EQUATIONS WITH INFINITE DELAY

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1. Introduction. Let E be a Banach space with norm $|\cdot|_E$ and let $J = [\sigma, \sigma + a)$, $0 < a \leq \infty$. If $x: (-\infty, \sigma + a) \rightarrow E$, then for any $t \in (-\infty, \sigma + a)$ we define $x_t: (-\infty, 0] \rightarrow E$ by $x_t(\theta) = x(t + \theta)$, $-\infty < \theta \leq 0$. In this paper we consider the initial value problem for functional differential equations with infinite delay (IP);

$$(1.1) \quad \frac{dx}{dt} = f(t, x_t), \quad t > \sigma$$

$$(1.2) \quad x_\sigma = \varphi \in \mathcal{B},$$

where f is an E -valued mapping defined on $J \times \mathcal{B}$ and \mathcal{B} is an abstract phase space with semi-norm or quasi-norm $|\cdot|_{\mathcal{B}}$ satisfying suitable axioms introduced by Hale and Kato [2].

The purpose of this paper is to give sufficient conditions for the global convergence of successive approximations for (IP): main results are Theorems 4.1, 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4, which extend results obtained in [1], [6], [7], [11]. Needless to say, our results ensure the global existence of a unique solution to (IP).

Recently, the author [9] has proved the uniqueness and the global convergence of successive approximations of solutions for functional integral equations under some Perron-type conditions. For (1.1) these conditions become

$$(1.3) \quad |f(t, \varphi) - f(t, \psi)| \leq \omega_1(t, |\varphi - \psi|_{\mathcal{B}})$$

and

$$(1.4) \quad |f(t, x_t) - f(t, y_t)| \leq \omega_2(t, \sup_{\sigma \leq s \leq t} |x(s) - y(s)|),$$

where real-valued functions ω_i , $i = 1, 2$, are integrable and satisfy some uniqueness conditions. On the other hand, the author [10] has proved Kamke's uniqueness theorems of solutions for (IP). In this paper we shall show the global convergence of successive approximations for (IP)