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VOLTERRA-STIELTJES INTEGRAL EQUATIONS WITH LINEAR CONSTRAINTS AND DISCONTINUOUS SOLUTIONS

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X and Y denote Banach spaces; we consider systems of the form

(K)
$$y(t) - y(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t d_\sigma K(t, \sigma) \cdot y(\sigma) = f(t) - f(t_0),$$

(F)
$$F[y] = c$$
,

where $y, f \in G([a, b], X)$ (the space of regulated functions $g: [a, b] \to X$, i.e., g has only discontinuities of the first kind); $K \in G^{uo}$ (see §2) and $F \in L[G([a, b], X), Y]$ (linear constraint). (K) includes linear Volterra integral equations, linear delay differential equations, differential equations $y' + A'y = f^1$, with the meaning that we have

(L)
$$y(t) - y(s) + \int_s^t dA(\sigma) \cdot y(\sigma) = f(t) - f(s)$$
 for all $s, t \in [a, b]$.

In §2 we give the existence of the resolvent for (K) and in §3 for (L); in §4 we find the Green function for the system (K), (F). The results of §1 are used in the proofs. All results of this announcement may be extended to open intervals and Y a separated sequentially complete locally convex TVS.

The proofs will appear in [H.3].

1. A division of [a, b] is a finite sequence $d: t_0 = a < t_1 < \cdots < t_n = b$. We write |d| = n and $\Delta d = \sup_{1 \le i \le n} |t_i - t_{i-1}|$. The set D of all divisions of [a, b] is ordered by refinement and $\lim_{d \in D} x_d$ denotes the limit according to the associated net. For $\alpha: [a, b] \to L(X, Y)$ and $f: [a, b] \to X$ we define the usual Riemann-Stieltjes operator integral

$$\int_{a}^{b} d\alpha(t) \cdot f(t) = \lim_{\Delta d \to 0} \sum_{i=1}^{|d|} [\alpha(t_i) - \alpha(t_{i-1})] \cdot f(\xi_i)$$

where $\xi_i \in [t_{i-1}, t_i]$ (see [G], [H.1], [D]), and the interior integral

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$$\int_{a}^{b} d\alpha(t) \cdot f(t) = \lim_{d \in D} \sum_{i=1}^{|d|} \left[\alpha(t_i) - \alpha(t_{i-1}) \right] \cdot f(\xi_i)$$

where $\xi_i \in]t_{i-1}$, t_i [(see [K], [H, p. 96]), when these limits exist. The existence of the first integral implies the existence of the second one and reciprocally, if α and f are bounded with no common discontinuity. We define

$$SV[\alpha] = SV_{[a,b]}[\alpha] = \sup_{d \in D} SV_d[\alpha]$$

where

$$SV_{d}[\alpha] = \sup \left\{ \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{|d|} [\alpha(t_{i}) - \alpha(t_{i-1})] \cdot x_{i} \right\| |x_{i} \in X, \|x_{i}\| \leq 1 \right\}.$$

If $SV[\alpha] < \infty$ we say that α is of bounded semivariation and we write $\alpha \in SV([a, b], L(X, Y))$; if we have further $\alpha(a) = 0$ we write $\alpha \in SV_0([a, b], L(X, Y))$. For $u: [a, b] \rightarrow L(X, Y)$ we define $s[u] = \sup_{d \in D} s_d[u]$, where

$$s_{d}[u] = \sup \left\{ \left\| \sum_{i=0}^{|d|} u(t_{i}) \cdot x_{i} \right\| |x_{i} \in X, \|x_{i}\| \le 1 \right\}$$

and we write $u \in s([a, b], L(X, Y))$ if $s[u] < \infty$. For $f \in G([a, b], X)$ we define $f_{-}(t) = f(t-)$ if $a \le t \le b$ and f(a-) = 0; we write $f \in G_{-}([a, b], X)$ if $f_{-} = f$ and $f \in c_{0}([a, b], X)$ if $f_{-} = 0$.

THEOREM 1. The mapping

$$(\alpha, u) \in SV_0([a, b], L(X, Y)) \times s([a, b], L(X, Y))$$
$$\mapsto F = F_\alpha + F_u \in L[G([a, b], X), Y]$$

defines a bicontinuous isomorphism of the first Banach space onto the second, where for $f \in G([a, b], X)$ we define

$$F_{\alpha}[f] = \int_{a}^{b} d\alpha(t) \cdot f(t) \quad and \quad F_{u}[f] = \sum_{a \le t \le b} u(t) \cdot [f(t) - f(t-)].$$

We have $||F_{\alpha}|| = SV[\alpha]$, $\alpha(t) \cdot x = F[\chi_{]a,t}]x$ and $u(t) \cdot x = F[\chi_{\{t\}}x]$. For X = Y = R this theorem is due to Kaltenborn [K].

THEOREM 2. Given $\alpha \in SV([c, d], L(X, Y))$, $h: [c, d] \times [a, b] \rightarrow L(X)$ which is a regulated function in the first variable and uniformly of bounded semivariation in the second variable (i.e., $h^t \in SV([a, b], L(X))$ for every

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 $t \in [c, d]$ and $\sup_{c \le t \le d} SV[h^t] \le \infty$, where $h^t(s) = h(t, s)$ and $g \in G([a, b], X)$ we have $\overline{h} \in SV([a, b], L(X, Y))$, and $\widetilde{g} \in G([c, d], X)$, where

$$\overline{h}(s) = \int_{c}^{d} d\alpha(t) \cdot h(t, s) \text{ and } \widetilde{g}(t) = \int_{a}^{b} d_{s}h(t, s) \cdot g(s),$$

and

(1)
$$\int_{a}^{b} ds \left[\int_{c}^{d} d\alpha(t) \circ h(t, s) \right] g(s) = \int_{c}^{d} d\alpha(t) \left[\int_{a}^{b} ds h(t, s) \cdot g(s) \right]$$

If [c, d] = [a, b] and g is continuous we have the formula of Dirichlet

(2)
$$\int_{a}^{b} \left[\int_{a}^{s} d\alpha(t) \circ h(t, s) \right] dg(s) = \int_{a}^{b} d\alpha(t) \cdot \left[\int_{t}^{b} h(t, s) dg(s) \right].$$

If $[c, d] = [a, b], \alpha \in A_{\overline{o}}$ (see §3) and $h \in G^{uo}$ (see §2) we have (2).

REMARK. (1) generalizes a theorem of Bray proved for X = Y = R [B]. 2. For U: $[a, b] \times [a, b] \longrightarrow L(X)$ we consider the following properties

(SV^o)
$$\lim_{\delta \downarrow 0} SV_{[s-\delta,s+\delta]}[U^t] = 0 \text{ for all } s, t \in [a, b],$$

(SV^{uo})
$$\limsup_{\delta \downarrow 0} \sup_{s,t} SV_{[s-\delta,s+\delta]}[U^t] = 0.$$

We write $U \in G^{uo}$ if U is bounded, regulated as a function of the first variable and satisfies (SV^{uo}) . G^{uo} is a Banach space when endowed with the norm $|||U||| = ||U|| + \sup_{a \leq t \leq b} SV[U^t]$.

THEOREM 3. Given $K \in G^{uo}$ we have:

I. There is one and only one element $R \in G_I^{uo}$ (i.e. $R \in G^{uo}$ and $R(t, t) \equiv I_X$), the resolvent of (K), such that

$$R(t, s) = I_X - \int_s^t d_\sigma K(t, \sigma) \circ R(\sigma, s) \quad \text{for all } s, t \in [a, b].$$

II. For every $f \in G([a, b], X)$ the equation (K) with $y(t_0) = x$ has one and only one solution $y \in G([a, b], X)$ given by

$$y(t) = R(t, t_0)x + \int_{t_0}^t R(t, \sigma) df(\sigma)$$

and y depends continuously on f, x and K.

III. If $K \in G_0^{uo}$ (i.e. $K \in G^{uo}$ and $K(t, t) \equiv 0$) we have

$$R(t, s) = I_X + \int_s^t R(t, \sigma) \circ d_{\sigma} K(\sigma, s) \quad \text{for all } s, t \in [a, b].$$

IV. The mapping $K \in G_0^{uo} \mapsto R \in G_I^{uo}$ is a bicontinuous (nonlinear) bijection from the first space onto the second.

REMARK. Theorem 3 remains true if we replace G^{uo} by its subspace E^{uo} of continuous functions, by its subspace E^{co} of functions U that satisfy

(SV^c)
$$\lim_{t \to t_1} SV[U^t - U^{t_1}] = 0 \text{ for every } t_1 \in [a, b],$$

by the corresponding spaces of functions of bounded variation, etc.

3. We now particularize Theorem 3 to (L). We fix a point $\overline{o} \in [a, b]$; given A: $[a, b] \to L(X)$ we write $A \in A_{\overline{o}}$ if $A(\overline{o}) = 0$ and if A satisfies (SV^o). (SV_{uo}), (SV_o), (SV_c) denote the analogous for the first variable of the properties (SV^{uo}), (SV^o), (SV^c) in the second variable. We say that R: [a, b] $\times [a, b] \to L(X)$ is harmonic, and we write $R \in H$, if R satisfies (SV^{uo}), (SV^c), (SV_{uo}), (SV_c) and

(o) $R(t, t) \equiv I_X$, $R(t, \sigma) \circ R(\sigma, s) = R(t, s)$ for all $s, \sigma, t \in [a, b]$.

 H^{co} denotes H with the topology induced by E^{uo} ; analogously we define H_{co} . The next theorem extends Theorems 3.2 and 3.3 of [M].

THEOREM 4. A. Given $A \in A_{\overline{\alpha}}$ we have:

I. There is one and only one $R \in H$, the resolvent of A, such that

$$R(t, s) = R(\tau, s) - \int_{\tau}^{t} dA(\tau) \circ R(\tau, s) \quad \text{for all } s, \tau, t \in [a, b].$$

II. For every $f \in G([a, b], X)$ the equation (L) with y(s) = x has one and only one solution $y \in G([a, b], X)$ given by

$$y(t) = R(t, s)x + \int_{s}^{t} R(t, \sigma) df(\sigma)$$

and y depends continuously on f, x and A.

III. $A(t) = \int_t^{\overline{o}} d_{\sigma} R(\sigma, s) \circ R(s, \sigma)$ for all $s \in [a, b]$ and

$$R(t, s) = R(t, \sigma) + \int_{\sigma}^{s} R(t, \tau) \circ dA(\tau) \quad \text{for all } s, \sigma, t \in [a, b].$$

B. If $R: [a, b] \times [a, b] \rightarrow L(X)$ satisfies (o) and (SV_o) then $R \in H$ and R is the resolvent of A given in III.

C. On H the topologies of H^{co} and H_{co} coincide and the mapping $A \in A_{\overline{o}} \mapsto R \in H$ is a bicontinuous (nonlinear) bijection from the first space onto the second.

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4. We now consider the problem (K), (F) with $K \in E^{uo}$; we write K[y] = f for (K) and define $Y_0 = F[K^{-1}(0)]$. Let α be associated to F by Theorem 1; for $s \in [a, b]$ we define $J(s) = \int_a^b d\alpha(t) \circ R(t, s)$.

THEOREM 5. The following properties are equivalent:

- (i) $y \equiv 0$ is the only solution of the system $K[y] \equiv 0$, F[y] = 0.
- (ii) $J(t_0): X \to Y_0$ is a continuous bijection.

From now on we suppose that the equivalent properties (i), (ii) are satisfied and that

$$\left\{\int_{a}^{b}d\alpha(t)\cdot f(t)|f\in G([a, b], X)\right\}=Y_{0}.$$

We define

$$\overline{J}(t) = R(t, t_0) \circ J(t_0)^{-1} \colon Y_0 \longrightarrow X$$

and

$$G(t, s) = \overline{J}(t) \circ \int_a^s d\alpha(\tau) \circ R(\tau, s) - Y(s - t_0)\overline{J}(t) \circ J(s)$$

+
$$[Y(s - t_0) - Y(s - t)]R(t, s).$$

THEOREM 6. A. The system K[y] = g, F[y] = c has a solution $y \in C([a, b], X)$ iff $(g, c) \in C([a, b], X) \times Y_0$; then this solution is

$$y(t) = \overline{J}(t)c + \int_a^b G(t, s) \, dg(s).$$

B. The system K[y] = f, F[y] = c has a solution $y \in G([a, b], X)$ iff $c - F(f) \in Y_0$; then this solution is given by

$$y(t) = f(t) + \overline{J}(t)[c - F(f)] - \int_a^b G(t, s) d_s \left[\int_{t_0}^s d_\sigma K(s, \sigma) \cdot f(\sigma) \right].$$

THEOREM 7. The Green function $G: [a, b] \times [a, b] \rightarrow L(X)$ has the following properties:

$$\begin{array}{l} (G_0) \quad F[G_s] = 0 \text{ for every } s \in [a, b], \text{ where } G_s(t) = G(t, s). \\ (G_1) \quad G_s(t) - G_s(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t d_\sigma K(t, \sigma) \circ G_s(\sigma) = [-Y(s-t) + Y(s-t_0)]I_X. \\ (G_2) \quad \widetilde{G}^t(s) + \int_a^s \widetilde{G}^t(\sigma) \circ d_\sigma K(\sigma, s) = \overline{J}(t) \circ \alpha(s) \text{ where} \end{array}$$

$$\widetilde{G}(t, \sigma) = G(t, \sigma) + Y(\sigma - t)R(t, \sigma) + Y(\sigma - t_0)[\overline{J}(t) \circ J(\sigma) - R(t, \sigma)].$$

(G₃) For every $s \in [a, b]$, G_s is continuous for $t \neq s$.

(G₄) G is uniformly of bounded semivariation in the second variable; G(t, b) $\equiv 0$; G(t, a) = 0 for $a < t \le b$, G(a, a) = $-I_X$.

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