

73. *Abstract Integral Equations and the Homogeneous Stochastic Process.*

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§1. *Introduction.* Let each point x of a complex Banach space \mathfrak{B} represent a state (x) of a physical or a mathematical system. Consider a *temporally homogeneous stochastic process* by which the state (x) is transferred to the state (y) after the elapse of a unit time. We assume that this transition is realised by a *linear mapping* T in \mathfrak{B} : $y = T \cdot x$. Under their respective restrictions on T and on \mathfrak{B} , A. Markov, B. Hostinsky, M. Fréchet, N. Kryloff-N. Bogoliouboff and other authors investigated the asymptotic behaviour of the n -th iterate T^n of T for large n . In the present note I intend to treat the problem by the *abstract integral equations* due to F. Riesz¹⁾ and the theory of *resolvents* due to M. Nagumo.²⁾ The theorem below is a generalisation of Fréchet-Kryloff-Bogoliouboff's theorem.³⁾ The lemma 1 and the lemma 3 respectively generalise the theorem of Riesz and that of Nagumo. I express my hearty thanks to S. Kakutani who kindly collaborated with me in the discussion of the present note.⁴⁾ In the next paper⁵⁾ the *mean ergodic theorem* of J. von Neumann is extended to \mathfrak{B} , in a way as to be applied to the problem of the homogeneous stochastic process.

§2. *The theorem.* A linear mapping T of a complex Banach space \mathfrak{B} in \mathfrak{B} is called a (linear) *operator* in \mathfrak{B} . T is called *continuous* if its *norm* (absolute value) $\|T\| = \text{l.u.b.}_{\|x\| \leq 1} \|T \cdot x\|$ is finite. A continuous operator T is called *completely continuous* if it maps the unit sphere $\|x\| \leq 1$ of \mathfrak{B} on a compact point set in \mathfrak{B} .

Let T satisfy the following two conditions:

- (1) there exists a completely continuous operator V such that $\|T - V\| < 1$,
- (2) there exists a constant α such that $\|T^n\| \leq \alpha$ for $n=1, 2, \dots$.

Then we obtain the

Theorem. *The proper values of T with modulus 1 are isolated proper values of finite multiplicities. Let these proper values be $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$. Then there exist completely continuous operators T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k , a continuous operator S and positive constants β, ε such that*

1) Acta Math. **41** (1918), 71-98.

2) Jap. J. of Math. **13** (1936), 75-80.

3) M. Fréchet: Quart. J. of Math. **5** (1934), 106-144. N. Kryloff and N. Bogoliouboff: C. R. Paris, **204** (1937), 1386-1388.

4) He also obtained another proof of our theorem, by virtue of the mean ergodic theorem in \mathfrak{B} . See the following paper of Kakutani.

5) Proc. **14** (1938), 292.

$$(3) \quad \begin{cases} T = \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i T_i + S, & T_i^2 = T_i, & T_i T_j = 0 (i \neq j), & T_i S = S T_i = 0 \\ & & & (i, j = 1, 2, \dots, k), \\ \|S^n\| \leq \beta / (1 + \epsilon)^n & (n = 1, 2, \dots). \end{cases}$$

Corollary 1. There exist positive constants γ_λ such that, if $|\lambda| = 1$,

$$(4) \quad \begin{cases} \left\| \frac{(T/\lambda) + (T/\lambda)^2 + \dots + (T/\lambda)^n}{n} - T_\infty(\lambda) \right\| \leq \gamma_\lambda / n & (n = 1, 2, \dots), \\ T_\infty(\lambda) = T_i \text{ if } \lambda = \lambda_i, & T_\infty(\lambda) = 0 \text{ if } \lambda \neq \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k. \end{cases}$$

Corollary 2. $(T/\lambda)^n$ converges (necessarily to $T_\infty(\lambda)$) if and only if there are no proper values of T with modulus 1 other than λ .

Corollary 3. We replace the condition (1) by

$$(5) \quad \begin{cases} \text{there exist positive integer } m \text{ and a completely continuous} \\ \text{operator } V \text{ such that } \|T^m - V\| < 1. \end{cases}$$

Then there exist positive constants γ'_λ such that, if $|\lambda| = 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \frac{(T/\lambda) + (T/\lambda)^2 + \dots + (T/\lambda)^n}{n} - T'_\infty(\lambda) \right\| \leq \gamma'_\lambda / n \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots), \\ T'_\infty(\lambda) &= \frac{(T/\lambda) + (T/\lambda)^2 + \dots + (T/\lambda)^{m-1}}{m-1} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(T/\lambda)^m + (T/\lambda)^{2m} + \dots + (T/\lambda)^{nm}}{n}. \end{aligned}$$

Remark.¹⁾ Put $T_0 = E - \sum_{i=1}^k T_i$, where E denotes the identical mapping of \mathfrak{B} . Then, by (3), $T_0^2 = T_0$, $T_0 T_i = T_i T_0 = 0$ ($i \geq 1$). Hence, if \mathfrak{B}_j denotes the image of \mathfrak{B} by T_j , we have the direct decomposition $\mathfrak{B} = \mathfrak{B}_0 + \mathfrak{B}_1 + \dots + \mathfrak{B}_k$. Each point of \mathfrak{B}_j is invariant by T_j , as $T_j^2 = T_j$. \mathfrak{B}_i ($i \geq 1$) is of finite dimension by Riesz's theorem since $T_i^2 = T_i$ and T_i ($i \geq 1$) is completely continuous. Let $x \in \mathfrak{B}_0$, then $T \cdot x = T T_0 \cdot x = S \cdot x, \dots, T^n \cdot x = S^n x$. Let $x \in \mathfrak{B}_i$ ($i \geq 1$), then $T \cdot x = T T_i \cdot x = \lambda_i T_i \cdot x = \lambda_i x, \dots, T^n \cdot x = \lambda_i^n \cdot x$. Hence $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^n \cdot x = 0$ uniformly for $x \in \mathfrak{B}_0$, and $T^n \cdot x$ ($x \in \mathfrak{B}_i, i \geq 1$) moves in \mathfrak{B}_i almost periodically with respect to n . \mathfrak{B}_0 and \mathfrak{B}_i ($i \geq 1$) may respectively be called the *dissipative* part and the *ergodic* part of \mathfrak{B} .

§ 3. Three lemmas for the proof of the theorem.

Lemma 1.²⁾ Let T satisfy the condition (1). Then the proper values of T do not accumulate to the point not interior of the unit circle in the complex plane.

Proof. Put $T = V + U$, then $\|U\| = \delta < 1$. We have to derive a contradiction from

$$(6) \quad T \cdot x_i = \lambda_i \cdot x_i, \quad x_i \in \mathfrak{B}, \quad x_i \neq 0, \quad \lambda_i \neq \lambda_j \quad (i \neq j), \quad \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_i = \lambda, \quad |\lambda| \geq 1.$$

1) Cf. N. Kryloff and N. Bogoliouboff: Bult. Soc. Math. France, **64** (1936), 49-56.
 2) If T is completely continuous this lemma reduces to the Satz 12 in Riesz, loc. cit. p. 90: the only accumulation point of the proper values of T is the point zero. For, in this case, λT satisfies (1) for any λ .

We have $T^n = T^n - (T - V)^n + (T - V)^n$. $T^n - (T - V)^n$ is completely continuous with V , and $\|(T - V)^n\| \leq \delta^n$, $T^n \cdot x_i = \lambda_i^n \cdot x_i$. Therefore it suffices to derive a contradiction from (6) when $\delta < (1/4)$. This may be carried out as follows.

x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are linearly independent for any n . The proof is obtained by induction with respect to n . Let x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1} be linearly independent and let x_n be linearly dependent with x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1} : $x_n = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \alpha_i x_i$. Then we obtain $\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \alpha_i (\lambda_n - \lambda_i) x_i = 0$ from $T \cdot x_n = \lambda_n x_n$, $T \cdot x_n = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \alpha_i T \cdot x_i$, contrary to the hypothesis of the induction.

Thus the linear space \mathfrak{R}_{n-1} spanned by x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1} is a proper subspace of the linear space \mathfrak{R}_n spanned by x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n . By Riesz's theorem there exists a sequence $\{y_i\}$ such that $y_i \in \mathfrak{R}_i, \|y_i\| = 1, \|y_i - x\| > (1/2)$ for all $x \in \mathfrak{R}_{i-1}$. We have $T(y_i/\lambda_i) - T(y_j/\lambda_j) = y_i - \{y_i - T(y_i/\lambda_i) + T(y_j/\lambda_j)\}$. $y_i - T(y_i/\lambda_i) \in \mathfrak{R}_{i-1}$ as $y_i \in \mathfrak{R}_i$. Hence

$$(7) \quad \|V(y_i/\lambda_i) - V(y_j/\lambda_j)\| + \delta \|y_i/\lambda_i - y_j/\lambda_j\| > (1/2) \quad \text{for } j < i.$$

V being completely continuous and $\|y_i\| = 1, \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_i = \lambda, |\lambda| \geq 1$, there exists a partial sequence $\{i'\}$ of $\{i\}$ such that $\lim_{i' \rightarrow \infty} \|V(y_{i'}/\lambda_{i'}) - V(y_{j'}/\lambda_{j'})\| = 0$. Thus, by (7), $\delta < (1/4), \|y_{i'}\| = 1, \lim_{i' \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_{i'} = \lambda$ and $|\lambda| \geq 1$, we obtain a contradiction.

Lemma 2. Let \mathfrak{D} be a domain in the complex λ -plane. A family $V(\lambda)$ of completely continuous operators in \mathfrak{B} be regular in $\lambda \in \mathfrak{D}$. Let \mathfrak{F} denotes the set of points (in \mathfrak{D}) at each point of which the equation $(E + V(\lambda))x_\lambda = 0$ admits non-trivial solution $x_\lambda \neq 0$. Then for each $\lambda \in \mathfrak{D} - \mathfrak{F}$ $E + V(\lambda)$ has a unique (continuous) inverse $E + K(\lambda)$: $(E + V(\lambda))(E + K(\lambda)) = (E + K(\lambda))(E + V(\lambda)) = E$. $K(\lambda)$ is regular in $\lambda \in \mathfrak{D} - \mathfrak{F}$ and is completely continuous for each $\lambda \in \mathfrak{D} - \mathfrak{F}$.

Proof. By Riesz's theorem $E + V(\lambda)$ has a unique (continuous) inverse $E + K(\lambda)$ for each $\lambda \in \mathfrak{D} - \mathfrak{F}$. By $K(\lambda) = -V(\lambda) - K(\lambda)V(\lambda)$, we see that $K(\lambda)$ is completely continuous.

Let $\lambda_0 \in \mathfrak{D} - \mathfrak{F}$, then the series $\left[E + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \{ E - (E + K(\lambda_0))(E + V(\lambda)) \}^n \right]$. $(E + K(\lambda_0))$ are absolutely and uniformly convergent for sufficiently small $|\lambda - \lambda_0|$. It is easy to see that this series are the demanded inverse $E + K(\lambda)$.

*Lemma 3.*¹⁾ Let T satisfy the condition (1). By the lemma 1, the proper values of T with modulus 1 are isolated proper values. Let these proper values be $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$. Then there exists a positive ϵ such that $E + \lambda T$ admits a unique (continuous) inverse $E + \lambda R_\lambda$ for each $\lambda, 1 - 2\epsilon < |\lambda| < 1 + 2\epsilon$, except for $\lambda = -\lambda_1^{-1}, -\lambda_2^{-1}, \dots, -\lambda_k^{-1}$. R_λ is regular in $\lambda, 1 - 2\epsilon < |\lambda| < 1 + 2\epsilon$, except for poles $-\lambda_i^{-1}$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, k$).

Proof. As $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$ are isolated proper values of T , there exists

1) If T is completely continuous this lemma reduces to the Satz 12 in Nagumo, loc. cit. p. 79: the resolvent R_λ of T defined by $(E + \lambda T)(E + \lambda R_\lambda) = (E + \lambda R_\lambda)(E + \lambda T) = E$ is meromorphic in $|\lambda| < \infty$. For, in this case, λT satisfies (1) for any λ .

a positive η such that $(E + \lambda T)x_\lambda = 0$ does not admit non-trivial solution $x_\lambda \neq 0$ for any λ , $1 - \eta < |\lambda| < 1 + \eta$, except for $\lambda = -\lambda_1^{-1}, -\lambda_2^{-1}, \dots, -\lambda_k^{-1}$.

Put $T = V + U$. By $\|U\| = \delta < 1$, $E + \lambda U$ admits a unique (continuous) inverse $E + \lambda U_\lambda = E + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-\lambda U)^n$ which is regular in $|\lambda| < (1/\delta)$.

We have $(E + \lambda U_\lambda)(E + \lambda T) = E + \lambda V + \lambda^2 U_\lambda V$. Put $V(\lambda) = \lambda V + \lambda^2 U_\lambda V$. It is regular in $\lambda < (1/\delta)$ and is completely continuous with V for each λ , $\lambda < (1/\delta)$.

Let $2\epsilon = \text{Min.}((1/\delta) - 1, \eta)$. We denote by \mathfrak{D} the domain $1 - 2\epsilon < |\lambda| < 1 + 2\epsilon$, and let \mathfrak{S} be the point set $(-\lambda_1^{-1}, -\lambda_2^{-1}, \dots, -\lambda_k^{-1})$. Then the equation $(E + V(\lambda))x_\lambda = 0$ does not admit non-trivial solution $x_\lambda \neq 0$ for any $\lambda \in \mathfrak{D} - \mathfrak{S}$. Assume that there exists a $x_{\lambda_0} \neq 0$, $\lambda_0 \in \mathfrak{D}$, which satisfies $(E + V(\lambda_0))x_{\lambda_0} = 0$. Then we would have $(E + \lambda_0 T)x_{\lambda_0} = (E + \lambda_0 U)(E + V(\lambda_0))x_{\lambda_0} = 0$. This shows that $\lambda_0 \in \mathfrak{S}$.

Thus, by the lemma 2, $E + V(\lambda)$ admits a unique (continuous) inverse $E + K(\lambda)$ for each $\lambda \in \mathfrak{D} - \mathfrak{S}$, and $K(\lambda)$ is regular in $\lambda \in \mathfrak{D} - \mathfrak{S}$. We easily verify that $E + \lambda R_\lambda = (E + K(\lambda))(E + \lambda U_\lambda)$ is the inverse of $E + \lambda T$ for each $\lambda \in \mathfrak{D} - \mathfrak{S}$.

Let the Laurent expansion of $R_\lambda = (K(\lambda) + \lambda U_\lambda + \lambda K(\lambda) U_\lambda) / \lambda$ at the isolated singular point $\lambda = -\lambda_j^{-1}$ be

$$(8) \quad \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} (\lambda + \lambda_j^{-1})^n C_n(j).$$

By Cauchy's theorem $C_{-1}(j) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int R_\lambda d\lambda$. U_λ being regular at $\lambda = -\lambda_j^{-1}$, we have $C_{-1}(j) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int \{(K(\lambda) + \lambda K(\lambda) U_\lambda) / \lambda\} d\lambda$. As $K(\lambda)$ is completely continuous we see that $C_{-1}(j)$ is also completely continuous.

By substituting (8) in the resolvent equation $R_\lambda - R_\mu = (\lambda - \mu)R_\lambda R_\mu$ we obtain

$$(9) \quad C_{-n}(j)C_m(j) = C_m(j)C_{-n}(j) = 0 \quad (n > 0, m \geq 0),$$

$$(10) \quad C_{-1}(j)^2 = C_{-1}(j), \quad C_{-n}(j) = C_{-n}(j)C_{-1}(j) = C_{-1}(j)C_{-n}(j), \\ C_{-(n+1)}(j) = C_{-2}^n(j) \quad (n > 0).$$

\mathfrak{B} is mapped on its linear subspace \mathfrak{B}_j by $C_{-1}(j)$. By $C_{-1}^2(j) = C_{-1}(j)$ all the points of \mathfrak{B}_j is invariant by $C_{-1}(j)$. The unit sphere in \mathfrak{B}_j is compact since $C_{-1}(j)$ is completely continuous. Thus \mathfrak{B}_j is of finite dimension by Riesz's theorem. By (10) $C_{-n}(j)$ maps \mathfrak{B}_j in \mathfrak{B}_j and hence $C_{-(n+1)}(j)$ is of the form $D_j^n C_{-1}(j)$, where D_j is a linear mapping of \mathfrak{B}_j in \mathfrak{B}_j . Thus $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\lambda + \lambda_j^{-1})^{-n} C_{-n}(j) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\lambda + \lambda_j^{-1})^{-(n+1)} D_j^n C_{-1}(j)$. As it converges for $|\lambda + \lambda_j^{-1}| > 0$, the matrix D_j must be nilpotent: $D_j^n = 0$ for large n .

Hence $\lambda = -\lambda_j^{-1}$ is a pole of R_λ .

§ 4. *The proof of the theorem.* By (1) and the lemma 3, the

(continuous) inverse $E + \lambda R_\lambda$ of $E + \lambda T$ is regular in $1 - 2\epsilon < |\lambda| < 1 + 2\epsilon$ except for poles $\lambda = -\lambda_1^{-1}, -\lambda_2^{-1}, \dots, \lambda_k^{-1}$. By (2) we see that, for $|\lambda| < 1$, R_λ is given by the absolutely and uniformly convergent series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda^{n-1} (-T)^n$: $\left\| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda^{n-1} (-T)^n \right\| \leq a/(1 - |\lambda|)$. Hence R_λ is regular in $|\lambda| < 1 + 2\epsilon$, except for simple poles $\lambda = -\lambda_1^{-1}, -\lambda_2^{-1}, \dots, -\lambda_k^{-1}$. Let the Laurent expansion of R_λ at $\lambda = -\lambda_j^{-1}$ be

$$(11) \quad (\lambda + \lambda_j^{-1})^{-1} T_j + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\lambda + \lambda_j^{-1})^n T_{j,n}.$$

Then, by (8), (9), (10) and $R_0 = -T$ we see that

$$T_j^2 = T_j, \quad T_i T_j = 0 \quad (i \neq j), \quad (T - \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i T_i) T_j = T_j (T - \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i T_i) = 0$$

$$(i, j = 1, 2, \dots, k).$$

Put $T = \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i T_i + S$. Then, by the above relations, we obtain for $|\lambda| < 1$

$$R_\lambda = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda^{n-1} (-T)^n = \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-\lambda_j)^n \lambda^{n-1} T_j + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda^{n-1} (-S)^n$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^k (\lambda + \lambda_j^{-1})^{-1} T_j + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda^{n-1} (-S)^n.$$

Therefore, by (11), we see that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda^{n-1} (-S)^n$ is regular in $|\lambda| < 1 + 2\epsilon$.

Hence, by Cauchy's theorem, $\|S^n\| \leq \beta/(1 + \epsilon)^n$, $\beta = \text{l. u. b.} \left\| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-\lambda S)^n \right\|_{|\lambda| \leq 1 + \frac{3}{2}\epsilon}$

for $n = 1, 2, \dots$.

§ 5. *Smoluchowsky's equation.*¹⁾ Let a family $T(t)$ of continuous operators in \mathfrak{B} satisfy the equation of Smoluchowsky: $T(t+s) = T(t)T(s)$ ($0 < t, s < \infty$). We assume that $T(t)$ is continuous in t : $\lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} \|T(t) - T(t_0)\| = 0$, and that there exists a positive t_1 such that $T = T(t_1)$ satisfies (1) and (2).

By the theorem we have the representation (3). We put

$$T(t) = \sum_{j=1}^k T_j(t) + S(t), \quad T_j(t) = T_j T(t) T_j.$$

$T_j(t)$ and $S(t)$ is continuous in t . T_j is commutative with every $T(t)$ by (4), and hence we obtain, for $0 < t, s < \infty$, $T_j(t+s) = T_j(t)T_j(s)$, $T_j(t)S(s) = S(s)T_j(t) = 0$ and $S(t+s) = S(t)S(s)$.

As $S = S(t_1)$ satisfies (4) we obtain, by positive a and b , $\|S(t)\| \leq a \cdot \exp(-bt)$ for $t_1 \leq t < \infty$.

By $T_j^2 = T_j$, $T_j(t) = T_j T_j(t) = T_j(t) T_j$ and the complete continuity of T_j we see, as in the proof of the lemma 3, that $T_j(t) = M_j(t) T_j$, where the finite dimensional matrix $M_j(t)$ is continuous in t and satisfies the equation of Smoluchowsky. As $M_j(t_1) =$ the unit matrix we see that

1) An analogous result is obtained by Kakutani also, by applying the theorem to the sequence $\{T(t/2^n)\}$.

$M_j(0) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} M_j(t) =$ the unit matrix. Hence,¹⁾ if $\|M_j(t) - M_j(0)\| < 1$ for $t \leq t_0, t_0 > 0$, we have $M_j(t) = \exp(C_j t/t_0)$, where $C_j = \log(M_j(t_0))$. Thus, by $M_j(t_1) =$ the unit matrix, we see that $M_j(t)$ is similar to the matrix of the form

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc} \exp(2\pi i \alpha_{j_1} t/t_0) & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \times & \cdots & \cdots & \exp(2\pi i \alpha_{j_l} t/t_0) \end{array} \right) \quad \left(\alpha \frac{t_1}{t_0} \text{ all real} \equiv 0 \pmod{1} \right).$$

Therefore the theorem is extended to the continuous stochastic process.

1) K. Yosida: Jap. J. of Math. **13** (1936), 25.