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Soluções Quase e Assintoticamente Quase Periódicas de Equações Diferenciais do Tipo Neutro.

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Resumo

Neste artigo estudamos a existência de soluções quase periódicas e assintoticamente quase periódicas para equações diferenciais do tipo neutro modeladas na forma

$$\frac{d}{dt}(x(t) + g(t, x_t)) = Ax(t) + f(t, x_t), \quad t \in I = [0, a], \quad (1)$$

$$x_0 = \varphi \in \mathcal{B}, \quad (2)$$

sendo A o gerador infinitesimal de um C_0 -semigrupo de operadores lineares limitados definido sobre um espaço de Banach X , $\mathcal{B}$ um espaço de fase definido de maneira axiomática e f, g funções apropriadas.

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Resumo

In this paper we study the existence of almost periodic and asymptotically almost periodic solutions for partial neutral functional differential equations with unbounded delay.

1 Introduction

The existence of asymptotically almost periodic and almost periodic solutions for partial abstract functional differential equations with delay has been treated in several works, see for instance [1, 3, 4]. In this work we study the existence of asymptotically almost periodic and almost periodic solutions for a class of neutral functional differential equation with unbounded delay modelled in the form

$$\frac{d}{dt}(x(t) + f(t, x_t)) = Ax(t) + g(t, x_t), \quad (1)$$

where A is the infinitesimal generator of an uniformly exponentially stable analytic semigroup of linear operators, $(T(t))_{t \geq 0}$, on a Banach space X ; the history $x_t : (-\infty, 0] \rightarrow X$, $x_t(\theta) = x(t + \theta)$, belongs to some abstract phase space $\mathcal{B}$ defined axiomatically and $f(\cdot), g(\cdot)$ are appropriate functions.

Neutral differential equations arise in many areas of applied mathematics and for this reason these equations have received great attention in the last decades. The literature relative to ordinary neutral functional differential equations is very extensive and we refer the reader to [5] concerning this matter. Partial neutral functional differential equations have been studied in [6, 7, 8].

Throughout this paper, $A : D(A) \subset X \rightarrow X$ is the infinitesimal generator of an analytic semigroup of linear operators $(T(t))_{t \geq 0}$ on a Banach space X such that $0 \in \rho(A)$, and $\widetilde{M}, \delta$ are positive constants such that $\|T(t)\| \leq \widetilde{M}e^{-\delta t}$ for every $t \geq 0$. Under these conditions, it is possible to define the fractional power $(-A)^\alpha$, $0 < \alpha \leq 1$, as a closed linear operator on its domain $D((-A)^\alpha)$. If X_α is the space $D((-A)^\alpha)$ endowed with the norm $\|x\|_\alpha = \|(-A)^\alpha x\|$, then the following properties hold, see [9] for details.

Lemma 1 Let $0 < \gamma \leq \eta \leq 1$. Then X_η is a Banach space and $X_\eta \hookrightarrow X_\gamma$. Moreover, the function $s \rightarrow (-A)^\eta T(s)$ is continuous in the uniform operator topology on $(0, \infty)$ and there exists $C_\eta > 0$ such that $\|(-A)^\eta T(t)\| \leq \frac{C_\eta e^{-\delta t}}{t^\eta}$ for every $t > 0$.

In this work, $\mathcal{B}$ will be a linear space of functions mapping $(-\infty, 0]$ into X endowed with a seminorm $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{B}}$ and verifying the following axioms:

(A) If $x : (-\infty, \sigma + a) \rightarrow X$, $a > 0$, $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}$, is continuous on $[\sigma, \sigma + a)$ and $x_\sigma \in \mathcal{B}$, then for every $t \in [\sigma, \sigma + a)$ the following conditions hold:

- (i) x_t is in $\mathcal{B}$.
- (ii) $\|x(t)\| \leq H \|x_t\|_{\mathcal{B}}$.
- (iii) $\|x_t\|_{\mathcal{B}} \leq K(t - \sigma) \sup\{\|x(s)\| : \sigma \leq s \leq t\} + M(t - \sigma) \|x_\sigma\|_{\mathcal{B}}$,

where $H > 0$ is a constant; $K, M : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [1, \infty)$, K is continuous, M is locally bounded and H, K, M are independent of $x(\cdot)$.

(A1) For the function $x(\cdot)$ in (A), x_t is a $\mathcal{B}$ -valued continuous function on $[\sigma, \sigma + a)$.

(B) The space $\mathcal{B}$ is complete.

(C2) Let $(\varphi^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a uniformly bounded sequence in $C((-\infty, 0]; X)$ formed by functions with compact support. If $\varphi^n \rightarrow \varphi$ in the compact-open topology, then $\varphi \in \mathcal{B}$ and $\|\varphi^n - \varphi\|_{\mathcal{B}} \rightarrow 0$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Definition 1 Let $S(t) : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ be the C_0 -semigroup defined by $S(t)\varphi(\theta) = \varphi(0)$ on $[-t, 0]$ and $S(t)\varphi(\theta) = \varphi(t + \theta)$ on $(-\infty, -t]$. The phase space $\mathcal{B}$ is called a fading memory if $\|S(t)\varphi\|_{\mathcal{B}} \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ for every $\varphi \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $\varphi(0) = 0$.

Remark 1 In this paper, $\mathfrak{L} > 0$ is such that $\|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{B}} \leq \mathfrak{L} \sup_{\theta \leq 0} \|\varphi(\theta)\|$ for each $\varphi \in \mathcal{B}$ continuous and bounded, see [10, Proposition 7.1.1] for details. Moreover, for the case in which $\mathcal{B}$ is a fading memory, we will assume that $\max\{K(t), M(t)\} \leq \mathfrak{K}$ for $t \geq 0$, see [10, Proposition 7.1.5].

In the next results and definitions, $(Z, \|\cdot\|_Z)$, $(W, \|\cdot\|_W)$ are Banach spaces and $C_0([0, \infty); Z)$ is the subspace of $C([0, \infty); Z)$ formed by the functions that vanishes at infinite.

Definition 2 A function $F \in C(\mathbb{R}; Z)$ is almost periodic (a.p.) if for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a relatively dense subset of $\mathbb{R}$, denoted by $\mathcal{H}(\varepsilon, F, Z)$, such that $\|F(t + \xi) - F(t)\|_Z < \varepsilon$ for every $t \in \mathbb{R}$ and all $\xi \in \mathcal{H}(\varepsilon, F, Z)$.

Definition 3 A function $F \in C([0, \infty); Z)$ is asymptotically almost periodic (a.a.p.) if there exists an almost periodic function g and $w \in C_0([0, \infty); Z)$ such that $F = g + w$.

In this paper, $AP(Z)$ and $AAP(Z)$ are the spaces $AP(Z) = \{F \in C([0, \infty); Z) : F \text{ is a.p.}\}$ and $AAP(Z) = \{F \in C(\mathbb{R}; Z) : F \text{ is a.a.p.}\}$ endowed with the norms $\|u\|_Z = \sup_{s \in \mathbb{R}} \|u(s)\|$ and $\|u\|_Z = \sup_{s \geq 0} \|u(s)\|$ respectively. We know from [11] that $AP(Z)$ and $AAP(Z)$ are Banach spaces.

Lemma 2 [11, Theorem 5] *A function $F \in C([0, \infty); Z)$ is asymptotically almost periodic if and only if, for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $L(\varepsilon, F, Z) > 0$ and a relatively dense subset of $[0, \infty)$, denoted by $\mathcal{T}(\varepsilon, F, Z)$, such that $\|F(t + \xi) - F(t)\|_Z < \varepsilon$ for every $t \geq L(\varepsilon, F, Z)$ and every $\xi \in \mathcal{T}(\varepsilon, F, Z)$.*

Definition 4 *Let Ω be an open subset of W .*

- (a) *A continuous function $F : \mathbb{R} \times \Omega \rightarrow Z$ (resp. $F : [0, \infty) \times \Omega \rightarrow Z$) is called pointwise almost periodic (p.a.p.), (resp. pointwise asymptotically almost periodic (p.a.a.p.)) if $F(\cdot, x) \in AP(Z)$ (resp. $F(\cdot, x) \in AAP(Z)$) for every $x \in \Omega$.*
- (b) *A continuous function $F : \mathbb{R} \times \Omega \rightarrow Z$ is called uniformly almost periodic (u.a.p.), if for every $\varepsilon > 0$ and every compact $K \subset \Omega$ there exists a relatively dense subset of $\mathbb{R}$, denoted by $\mathcal{H}(\varepsilon, F, K, Z)$, such that $\|F(t + \xi, y) - F(t, y)\|_Z \leq \varepsilon$ for every $(t, \xi, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{H}(\varepsilon, F, K, Z) \times K$.*
- (c) *A continuous function $F : [0, \infty) \times \Omega \rightarrow Z$ is called uniformly asymptotically almost periodic (u.a.a.p.), if for every $\varepsilon > 0$ and every compact $K \subset \Omega$ there exists a relatively dense subset of $[0, \infty)$, denoted by $\mathcal{T}(\varepsilon, F, K, Z)$, and $L(\varepsilon, F, K, Z) > 0$ such that $\|F(t + \xi, y) - F(t, y)\|_Z \leq \varepsilon$ for every $t \geq L(\varepsilon, F, K, Z)$ and every $(\xi, y) \in \mathcal{T}(\varepsilon, F, K, Z) \times K$.*

Lemma 3 [12, Theorem 1.2.7] *Let $\Omega \subset W$ be an open set. Then the following properties hold.*

- (a) *If $F \in C(\mathbb{R} \times \Omega; Z)$ (resp. $F \in C([0, \infty) \times \Omega; Z)$) is p.a.p. (resp. p.a.a.p.) and satisfies a local Lipschitz condition at $x \in \Omega$, uniformly at t , then F is u.a.p (resp. u.a.a.p)*
- (b) *If $x \in AP(X)$, then $t \rightarrow x_t \in AP(\mathcal{B})$. Moreover, if $\mathcal{B}$ is a fading memory space and $z \in C(\mathbb{R}; X)$ is such that $z_0 \in \mathcal{B}$ and $z \in AAP(X)$, then $t \rightarrow z_t \in AAP(\mathcal{B})$.*
- (c) *If $F \in C(\mathbb{R} \times \Omega; Z)$ (resp. $F \in C([0, \infty) \times \Omega; Z)$) is u.a.p. (resp. is u.a.a.p.) and $y \in AP(W)$ (resp. $y \in AAP(W)$) is such that $\overline{\{y(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}\}}^W \subset \Omega$, then $F(t, y(t)) \in AP(Z)$ (resp. $F(t, y(t)) \in AAP(Z)$).*

2 Existence Results

To establish our results of existence we need the next technical lemma.

Lemma 4 *Let $\mu \in (0, 1]$ and $v \in AAP(X_\mu)$. If $u(\cdot) : [0, \infty) \rightarrow X$ is the function defined by $u(t) = \int_0^t AT(t-s)v(s)ds$, $t \geq 0$, then $u(\cdot) \in AAP(X)$.*

Proof: To prove this result we use Lemma 2. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given and $\mathcal{T}(\varepsilon, v, X_\mu)$, $L = L(\varepsilon, v, X_\mu)$ be as in Lemma 2. If $t \geq L = L(\varepsilon, v, X_\mu) + 1$ and $\xi \in \mathcal{T}(\varepsilon, v, X_\mu)$, we get

$$\|u(t + \xi) - u(t)\| \leq \int_0^\xi \|(-A)^{1-\mu}T(t + \xi - s)(-A)^\mu v(s)\| ds$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \int_0^t \|(-A)^{1-\mu}T(t-s)((-A)^\mu v(s+\xi) - (-A)^\mu v(s))\| ds \\
& \leq e^{-\delta t} \|v\|_{X_\mu} \int_0^\xi \frac{C_{1-\mu} e^{-\delta(\xi-s)}}{(\xi-s)^{1-\mu}} ds \\
& + \int_0^{L+1} \|(-A)^{1-\mu}T(t-s)((-A)^\mu v(s+\xi) - (-A)^\mu v(s))\| ds \\
& + \int_{L+1}^t \|(-A)^{1-\mu}T(t-s)\| \|(-A)^\mu v(s+\xi) - (-A)^\mu v(s)\| ds \\
& \leq d_1 e^{-\delta t} + 2\|v\|_{X_\mu} e^{-\delta(t-L-1)} \int_0^{L+1} \frac{C_{1-\mu} e^{-\delta(L+1-s)}}{(L+1-s)^{1-\mu}} ds \\
& + \varepsilon \int_0^\infty \frac{C_{1-\mu} e^{-\delta s}}{s^{1-\mu}} ds
\end{aligned}$$

where $d_1 > 0$ is independent of t and ξ . Thus, there exist positive constants d_2, d_3 independent of t and ξ such that

$$\|u(t+\xi) - u(t)\| \leq d_2 e^{\delta(L(\varepsilon, v, X_\mu)+1)} e^{-\delta t} + \varepsilon d_3, \quad t \geq L(\varepsilon, v, X_\mu) + 1, \xi \in \mathcal{T}(\varepsilon, v, X_\mu).$$

From this inequality we infer that $u(\cdot)$ verifies the conditions of Lemma 2. The proof is complete. ■

To prove our results we always assume that the next condition is satisfied.

H₁ The functions $f, g : \mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{B} \rightarrow X$ are continuous and there exist $\beta \in (0, 1)$ and continuous functions $L_g, L_f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that $f(\cdot)$ is X_β -valued, $(-A)^\beta f : \mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{B} \rightarrow X$ is continuous and

$$\begin{aligned}
\|(-A)^\beta f(t, \psi_1) - (-A)^\beta f(t, \psi_2)\| & \leq L_f(r) \|\psi_1 - \psi_2\|_{\mathcal{B}}, \\
\|g(t, \psi_1) - g(t, \psi_2)\| & \leq L_g(r) \|\psi_1 - \psi_2\|_{\mathcal{B}},
\end{aligned}$$

for every $t \in \mathbb{R}$ and every $\psi_i \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $\|\psi_i\|_{\mathcal{B}} \leq r$.

From Hernández & Henríquez [7] we adopt the next concept of mild solution of (1).

Definition 5 A function $u : (-\infty, \sigma + a) \rightarrow X$, $a > 0$, is a mild solution of system (1) on $[\sigma, \sigma + a)$, if $u_\sigma \in \mathcal{B}$, $u|_{[\sigma, \sigma+a)}$ is continuous; the function $s \rightarrow AT(t-s)f(s, u_s)$ is integrable on $[0, t)$ for every $\sigma < t < \sigma + a$ and

$$\begin{aligned}
u(t) &= T(t)(\varphi(\sigma) + f(\sigma, \varphi)) - f(t, u_t) - \int_\sigma^t AT(t-s)f(s, u_s) ds \\
&+ \int_\sigma^t T(t-s)g(s, u_s) ds, \quad t \in [\sigma, \sigma + a).
\end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1 Assume that $\mathcal{B}$ is a fading memory space and that $(-A)^\beta f(\cdot)$ and $g(\cdot)$ are p.a.a.p. If $L_f(0) = L_g(0) = 0$ and $(-A)^\beta f(t, 0) = g(t, 0) = 0$ for every $t \in \mathbb{R}$, then there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that for each $\varphi \in B_\varepsilon(0, \mathcal{B})$ there exists a mild solution, $u(\cdot, \varphi)$, of (1) on $[0, \infty)$ such that $u(\cdot, \varphi) \in AAP(X)$ and $u_0(\cdot, \varphi) = \varphi$.

Proof: Let $r > 0$ and $0 < \lambda < 1$ be such that

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta &= \widetilde{M}\lambda[H + \|(-A)^{-\beta}\| L_f(\lambda r)] \\ &\quad + \left[L_f(r^*) \left(\|(-A)^{-\beta}\| + C_{1-\beta} \left(\frac{1}{\delta} + \frac{1}{\beta} \right) \right) + \frac{\widetilde{M}L_g(r^*)}{\delta} \right] (\lambda + 1)\mathfrak{K} < 1, \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathfrak{K}$ is the number in Remark 1 and $r^* = (\lambda + 1)\mathfrak{K}r$. We affirm that the assertion holds for $\varepsilon = \lambda r$. Let $\varphi \in B_\varepsilon(0, \mathcal{B})$. On the space

$$\mathfrak{D} = \{x \in AAP(X) : x(0) = \varphi(0), \|x(t)\| \leq r, t \geq 0\}$$

endowed with the metric $d(u, v) = \|u - v\|_X$, we define the operator $\Gamma : \mathfrak{D} \rightarrow C([0, \infty); X)$ by

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma u(t) &= T(t)(\varphi(0) + f(0, \varphi)) - f(t, \widetilde{u}_t) - \int_0^t AT(t-s)f(s, \widetilde{u}_s)ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^t T(t-s)g(s, \widetilde{u}_s)ds, \quad t \geq 0, \end{aligned}$$

where $\widetilde{u} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$ is such that $(\widetilde{u})_0 = \varphi$ and $\widetilde{u} = u$ on $[0, \infty)$. From the continuity of $s \rightarrow AT(t-s)$ and $s \rightarrow T(t-s)$ in the uniform operator topology on $[0, t]$ and the estimate

$$\|AT(t-s)f(s, \widetilde{u}_s)\| = \|(-A)^{1-\beta}T(t-s)(-A)^\beta f(s, \widetilde{u}_s)\| \leq \frac{C_{1-\beta}L_f(r^*)r^*}{(t-s)^{1-\beta}},$$

it follows that $s \rightarrow AT(t-s)f(s, \widetilde{u}_s)$ and $s \rightarrow T(t-s)g(s, \widetilde{u}_s)$ are integrable on $[0, t]$ for every $t > 0$ and so that $\Gamma u \in C([0, \infty); X)$. Moreover, from Lemmas 3 and 4 we infer that $\Gamma u \in AAP(X)$.

In the sequel, we prove that $\Gamma(\cdot)$ is a contraction from $\mathfrak{D}$ into $\mathfrak{D}$. If $u \in \mathfrak{D}$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Gamma u(t)\| &\leq \widetilde{M}H\lambda r + \widetilde{M}\|(-A)^{-\beta}\| L_f(\lambda r)\lambda r + \|(-A)^{-\beta}\| L_f(r^*)(\lambda + 1)\mathfrak{K}r \\ &\quad + C_{1-\beta} \int_0^t \frac{e^{-\delta(t-s)}}{(t-s)^{1-\beta}} L_f(r^*)(\lambda + 1)\mathfrak{K}r ds + \int_0^t \widetilde{M}e^{-\delta(t-s)} L_g(r^*)(\lambda + 1)\mathfrak{K}r ds \\ &\leq \widetilde{M}H\lambda r + \widetilde{M}\|(-A)^{-\beta}\| L_f(\lambda r)\lambda + \|(-A)^{-\beta}\| L_f(r^*)(\lambda + 1)\mathfrak{K}r \\ &\quad + C_{1-\beta}L_f(r^*)\left(\frac{1}{\delta} + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)(\lambda + 1)\mathfrak{K}r + \frac{\widetilde{M}}{\delta} L_g(r^*)(\lambda + 1)\mathfrak{K}r \\ &\leq \Theta r, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that $\Gamma(\mathfrak{D}) \subset \mathfrak{D}$. Moreover, for $u, v \in \mathfrak{D}$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Gamma u(t) - \Gamma v(t)\| &\leq \|f(t, \widetilde{u}_t) - f(t, \widetilde{v}_t)\| + \int_0^t \left[\frac{C_{1-\beta}L_f(r^*)}{(t-s)^{1-\beta}} + \widetilde{M}L_g(r^*) \right] e^{-\delta(t-s)} \|\widetilde{u}_s - \widetilde{v}_s\|_{\mathcal{B}} ds \\ &\leq \left[L_f(r^*) \left(\|(-A)^{-\beta}\| + C_{1-\beta} \left(\frac{1}{\delta} + \frac{1}{\beta} \right) \right) + \frac{\widetilde{M}L_g(r^*)}{\delta} \right] \mathfrak{K} \|u - v\|_X, \end{aligned}$$

which shows that $\Gamma(\cdot)$ is a contraction and completes the proof of this result. ■

The next result is proved using the steps in the proof of the previous result. We will omit details.

Theorem 2 *If $\mathcal{B}$ is a fading memory space; $(-A)^\beta f(\cdot)$ and $g(\cdot)$ are p.a.a.p; $L_f(t) = L_f$ and $L_g(t) = L_g$ for every $t \geq 0$ and $\left[L_f \left(\| (-A)^{-\beta} \| + C_{1-\beta} \left(\frac{1}{\delta} + \frac{1}{\beta} \right) \right) + \frac{\widetilde{M}L_g}{\delta} \right] \mathfrak{K} < 1$, then for every $\varphi \in \mathcal{B}$ there exists a unique mild solution, $u(\cdot, \varphi)$, of (1) on $[0, \infty)$ such that $u(\cdot, \varphi) \in AAP(X)$ and $u_0(\cdot, \varphi) = \varphi$.*

In the next result we establish the existence of an almost periodic solution.

Theorem 3 *Assume that $(-A)^\beta f(\cdot)$ and $g(\cdot)$ are p.a.p. If $L_f(0) = L_g(0) = 0$ and $(-A)^\beta f(t, 0) = g(t, 0) = 0$ for every $t \geq 0$, then there exists $u \in AP(X)$ such that $u(\cdot)$ is a mild solution of (1) on every interval $[\sigma, \sigma + a)$.*

Proof: Let $\Gamma : AP(X) \rightarrow C(\mathbb{R}; X)$ be the map defined by

$$\Gamma u(t) = -f(t, u_t) - \int_{-\infty}^t AT(t-s)f(s, u_s)ds + \int_{-\infty}^t T(t-s)g(s, u_s)ds, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

From the proof of Theorem 1, it follows that $\Gamma u(\cdot)$ is a continuous function. From Lemma 3 and Zaidman [11, pp. 30] we infer that $v(t) = ((-A)^\beta f(t, u_t), g(t, u_t)) \in AP(X \times X)$. If $t \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\xi \in \mathcal{H}(\varepsilon, v, X \times X)$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \| \Gamma u(t + \xi) - \Gamma u(t) \| \\ & \leq \| f(t + \xi, u_{t+\xi}) - f(t, u_t) \| \\ & \quad + \int_{-\infty}^t \frac{C_{1-\beta} e^{-\delta(t-s)}}{(t-s)^{1-\beta}} \| (-A)^\beta f(s + \xi, u_{s+\xi}) - (-A)^\beta f(s, u_s) \| ds \\ & \quad + \int_{-\infty}^t \widetilde{M} e^{-\delta(t-s)} \| g(s + \xi, u_{s+\xi}) - g(s, u_s) \| ds \\ & \leq \varepsilon \left(\| (-A)^{-\beta} \| + C_{1-\beta} \left(\frac{1}{\delta} + \frac{1}{\beta} \right) + \frac{\widetilde{M}}{\delta} \right), \end{aligned}$$

which proves that $\Gamma u \in AP(X)$. Thus, $\Gamma(\cdot)$ is well defined and with values in $AP(X)$.

On the other hand, for $u, v \in B_r = \{u \in AP(X) : \|u\|_X \leq r\}$ we find that

$$\begin{aligned} & \| \Gamma u(t) - \Gamma v(t) \| \\ & \leq \| (-A)^{-\beta} \| L_f(\mathfrak{L}r) \| u_t - v_t \|_{\mathcal{B}} \\ & \quad + \int_{-\infty}^t \frac{C_{1-\beta} e^{-\delta(t-s)}}{(t-s)^{1-\beta}} L_f(\mathfrak{L}r) \| u_s - v_s \|_{\mathcal{B}} ds \\ & \quad + \int_{-\infty}^t \widetilde{M} e^{-\delta(t-s)} L_g(\mathfrak{L}r) \| u_s - v_s \|_{\mathcal{B}} ds \\ & \leq \mathfrak{L} \left[L_f(\mathfrak{L}r) \left(\| (-A)^{-\beta} \| + C_{1-\beta} \left(\frac{1}{\delta} + \frac{1}{\beta} \right) \right) + \frac{\widetilde{M}L_g(\mathfrak{L}r)}{\delta} \right] \|u - v\|_X, \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathfrak{L}$ is the constant in Remark 1. This inequality and the fact that $\Gamma 0 \equiv 0$ allows us to infer that $\Gamma(\cdot)$ is a contraction from B_r into B_r for $r > 0$ small enough, which proves the assertion. ■

Using similar arguments we can prove the next result.

Theorem 4 Assume that $(-A)^\beta f(\cdot)$ and $g(\cdot)$ are p.a.p. functions. If $L_f(t) = L_f$ and $L_g(t) = L_g$ for all $t \geq 0$ and $\mathfrak{L} \left[L_f \left(\|(-A)^{-\beta}\| + C_{1-\beta}(\frac{1}{\delta} + \frac{1}{\beta}) \right) + \frac{\widetilde{M}L_g}{\delta} \right] < 1$, then there exists a unique $u \in AP(X)$ such that $u(\cdot)$ is a mild solution of (1) on every interval $[\sigma, \sigma + a)$.

2.1 Example

Consider the first order neutral equation with unbounded delay

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} [u(t, \xi) + \int_{-\infty}^t \int_0^\pi b(t-s, \eta, \xi) u(s, \eta) d\eta ds] &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \xi^2} u(t, \xi) + a_0(\xi) u(t, \xi) \\ &+ \int_{-\infty}^t a(t-s) u(s, \xi) ds + a_1(t, \xi), \\ \xi \in I &= [0, \pi], \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

$$u(t, 0) = u(t, \pi) = 0, \quad (3)$$

$$u(\tau + \sigma, \xi) = \varphi(\tau, \xi), \quad \tau \leq 0, \quad \xi \in [0, \pi]. \quad (4)$$

To study this system, we adopt the notations and technical conditions in [7, Example 4.1]. In particular, $X = L^2([0, \pi])$, $\mathcal{B} = L^2(h; X)$ and $h(\cdot)$ is a continuous function satisfying the conditions (g-5)-(g-7) of [10, Theorem 1.3.8]. Under these conditions, $\mathcal{B}$ is a fading memory space, see [10, Example 7.1.8] for details. Next, $\mathcal{A} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$, (resp. $\mathcal{A} : [0, \infty) \rightarrow X$) is the map defined by $\mathcal{A}(t)(\xi) = a(t, \xi)$. The followings result is a consequence of Theorems 2 and 4.

Proposition 1 If $\mathcal{A}(\cdot)$ is asymptotically almost periodic (resp. almost periodic) then there exists a mild solution $u(\cdot) \in AAP(X)$ (resp. $u(\cdot) \in AP(X)$) of (2)-(3).

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