

81. A Note on Quasilinear Evolution Equations. II

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§ 1. Introduction. In this note we prove local existence and analyticity in t of solutions to quasilinear evolution equations

$$(1.1) \quad du/dt + A(t, u)u = f(t, u), \quad 0 < t \leq T,$$

$$(1.2) \quad u(0) = u_0.$$

The unknown, u , is a function of t with values in a Banach space X . For fixed t and $v \in X$, the linear operator $-A(t, v)$ is the generator of an analytic semigroup in X and $f(t, v) \in X$.

We consider the equation (1.1) under the assumptions that the domain $D(A(t, v)^h)$ of $A(t, v)^h$ is independent of t, v for some $h > 0$ and $A(t, A_0^{-\alpha}v)^h$ is Hölder-continuous in v in the sense that

$$\|A(t, A_0^{-\alpha}v)^h A(t, A_0^{-\alpha}w)^{-h} - I\| \leq C|v - w|^\nu,$$

while in the previous paper [1] we discussed it in the case that $A(t, A_0^{-\alpha}v)^h$ is Lipschitz-continuous.

We use the same notations as in [1].

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§ 2. Assumptions. We first define $a \in X$. We shall make the following assumptions:

a-1) There exist $h = 1/m$, where m is an integer, $m \geq 2$, and $0 \leq \alpha < h/2$ such that $A_0^{-\alpha}$ is a well-defined bounded linear operator from X to X and $u_0 \in D(A_0^{1+\alpha})$ where $A_0 \equiv A(0, u_0)$.

a-2) There exists $T_0 > 0$, such that $A_{u_0}(t) \equiv A(t, u_0)$ is a well-defined operator from X to X for each $t \in [0, T_0)$.

a-3) For any $t \in [0, T_0)$ the resolvent of $A_{u_0}(t)$ contains the left half-plane and there exists C_1 such that $\|(\lambda - A_{u_0}(t))^{-1}\| \leq C_1(1 + |\lambda|)^{-1}$, $\operatorname{Re} \lambda \leq 0$, and the domain, $D(A_{u_0}(t))$, of $A_{u_0}(t)$ is dense in X .

a-4) The domain $D(A_{u_0}(t)^h) = D$ of $A_{u_0}(t)^h$ is independent of $t \in [0, T_0)$ and there exist $C_2, C_3, \sigma, 1 - h + \alpha < \sigma \leq 1$ such that

$$\|A_{u_0}(t)^h A_{u_0}(s)^{-h}\| \leq C_2 \quad t, s \in [0, T_0),$$

$$\|A_{u_0}(t)^h A_{u_0}(s)^{-h} - I\| \leq C_3 |t - s|^\sigma \quad t, s \in [0, T_0).$$

a-5) $f_{u_0}(t) \equiv f(t, u_0)$ is defined and belongs to X for each $t \in [0, T_0)$, $f_{u_0}(0) \in D(A^h)$ and there exists C_4 such that

$$\|f_{u_0}(t) - f_{u_0}(s)\| \leq C_4 |t - s|^\sigma \quad t, s \in [0, T_0).$$

These constants $C_i (i = 1, 2, 3, 4)$ do not depend on t, s . Then we can apply Kato's results [3]. It follows from Kato's theorem that