

52. On the Existence of Solutions for the Boundary Value Problem of Quasilinear Differential Equations on an Infinite Interval

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1. Introduction. In this paper we deal with the problem of the existence of solutions for the quasilinear differential system with a boundary condition

$$(1) \quad x' = A(t, x)x + F(t, x)$$

$$(2) \quad \mathcal{N}(x) = 0.$$

Let A be a real $n \times n$ matrix continuous on $\mathbf{R}^+ \times \mathbf{R}^n$, where $\mathbf{R}^+ = [0, +\infty)$, and let F be an \mathbf{R}^n -valued function continuous on $\mathbf{R}^+ \times \mathbf{R}^n$. We assume that \mathcal{N} is a continuous operator from C_r^{lim} into \mathbf{R}^n (not necessarily linear), where $C_r^{\text{lim}} = \{x \in C(\mathbf{R}^+); \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} x(t) \text{ exists and } \|x(t)\| \leq r\}$. We consider the associated linear problem

$$(3) \quad x' = B(t)x$$

$$(4) \quad \mathcal{L}(x) = 0.$$

Let B be a real $n \times n$ matrix continuous on \mathbf{R}^+ and let \mathcal{L} be a bounded linear operator from C^{lim} into \mathbf{R}^n , where $C^{\text{lim}} = \{x \in C(\mathbf{R}^+); \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} x(t) \text{ exists and is finite}\}$. For example, $\mathcal{L}(x) = Px(0) - Q \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} x(t)$, where P, Q are known constant $n \times n$ matrices.

$$\text{Hypothesis H}_1. \quad \int_0^{+\infty} \|B(s)\| ds < +\infty.$$

Hypothesis H₂. There exist no solutions for ((3), (4)) except for the zero solution.

In [1], Kartsatos required some qualitative conditions for A in (1) and proved the existence of solutions for ((1), (2)) under the conditions that Hypotheses H₁ and H₂ hold and that A, \mathcal{N} are sufficiently close to B, \mathcal{L} in some sense, respectively. However, the conditions for A are necessary ones if A is sufficiently close to B . We apply a different approach used in [2] and obtain an extension of [1].

2. Preliminaries. The symbol $\|\cdot\|$ will denote a norm in \mathbf{R}^n and the corresponding norm for $n \times n$ matrices. Let $C(\mathbf{R}^+)$ be the space of \mathbf{R}^n -valued functions continuous and bounded on \mathbf{R}^+ with the supremum norm $\|\cdot\|_\infty$. Let $M(\mathbf{R}^+)$ be the space of real $n \times n$ matrices continuous and bounded on \mathbf{R}^+ with the supremum norm $\|A\|_\infty = \sup \{\|A(t)\|; t \in \mathbf{R}^+\}$. We put $\|\mathcal{L}\| = \sup \{\|\mathcal{L}(x)\|; \|x\|_\infty = 1\}$ and $S_r = \{x \in \mathbf{R}^n; \|x\| \leq r\}$.

We denote X_B by the fundamental matrix of solutions for (3) such that