

# SEMILINEAR INTEGRO-DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS WITH COMPACT SEMIGROUPS

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In this paper we study the local and global existence of mild solutions to a class of integro-differential equations in an arbitrary Banach space associated with the operators generating compact semigroups on the Banach space.

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## 1. Introduction

In this paper we are concerned with the following integro-differential equation considered in a Banach space  $X$ :

$$\frac{du}{dt} + Au(t) = f(t, u(t)) + \int_{t_0}^t a(t-s)g(s, u(s))ds, \quad 0 \leq t_0 < T_0 \leq \infty, \quad (1.1)$$
$$u(t_0) = u_0,$$

where  $-A$  is assumed to be an infinitesimal generator of a compact semigroup  $T(t)$ ,  $t \geq 0$ , on  $X$ , the nonlinear maps  $f, g: J \times U \rightarrow X$ ,  $J = [t_0, T_0)$ ,  $t_0 < T_0 \leq \infty$ , are continuous where  $U$  is an open subset of  $X$ ,  $a \in L^1(J)$  and  $u_0$  is in  $U$ .

The problem (1.1) for a particular case in which  $g = 0$  has been considered by Pazy [4], Pavel [3] and others. The existence of a unique *mild solution* to (1.1) with  $g = 0$  is assured under the conditions that  $-A$  is the infinitesimal generator of a compact semigroup in  $X$ ,  $f(t, u)$  is continuous in both the variables and uniformly locally Lipschitz continuous in  $u$ . If the Lipschitz continuity of  $f$  in  $u$  is dropped, then the existence of a mild solution is no more guaranteed. Examples, in which  $A = 0$  and  $f$  is continuous and the differential equations do not have solutions are given in Dieudonne [1] and Yorke [6].

Heard and Rankin [2] considered the following integro-differential equation in a Banach space  $X$ :

$$\frac{du}{dt} + A(t)u(t) = \int_{t_0}^t a(t,s)g(s,u(s))ds + f(t,u(t)), \quad t > t_0 \geq 0, \tag{1.2}$$

$$u(t_0) = u_0,$$

where for each  $t \geq 0$ , the linear operator  $-A(t)$  is the infinitesimal generator of an analytic semigroup in  $X$ , the nonlinear operator  $f$  is defined from  $[0, \infty) \times X$  into  $X$  and satisfies a Hölder condition of the form

$$\|f(t, y_1) - f(t, y_2)\| \leq C[|t - s|^\eta + \|y_1 - y_2\|^\gamma],$$

$0 < \eta, \gamma, \mu < 1$ ,  $\|\cdot\|$  is the norm on  $X$  and  $\|\cdot\|_\mu$  is the graph norm on  $X_\mu = D(A^\mu(0))$ , the nonlinear map  $g$  is assumed to satisfy a local Lipschitz condition with respect to the norm of  $X$  (cf. (A6) in [2]). Also, the uniqueness of solutions is proved under the restriction that the space  $X$  is a Hilbert space and  $\gamma = 1$ .

We also consider the global existence of mild solutions to (1.1). Further assumptions are required for global existence of mild solutions as global existence fails quite frequently. We first prove a result related to maximal interval of existence  $[t_0, T_{max})$  and show that, if  $T_{max} < \infty$ , then the solution blows up in a finite time. Then we establish the global existence under certain growth conditions of the maps  $f$  and  $g$ .

## 2. Preliminaries

In this section we mention some relevant notions and collect some results associated with the following initial value problem considered in a Banach space  $X$ :

$$\frac{du}{dt} + Au(t) = f(t,u(t)), \quad 0 < t_0 < t < T_0 \leq \infty, \tag{2.1}$$

$$u(t_0) = u_0,$$

where  $-A$  is the infinitesimal generator of a compact semigroup  $T(t)$ ,  $t \geq 0$  and  $f$  is continuous from  $J \times U$  into  $X$ ,  $J = [t_0, T_0)$ ,  $t_0 < T_0 \leq \infty$ ,  $U$  is an open subset of  $X$  and  $u_0$  is in  $U$ .

Let  $X$  be a Banach space. A one parameter family  $T(t)$ ,  $0 \leq t < \infty$ , of bounded linear operators from  $X$  into  $X$  is called a *semigroup of bounded linear operators* on  $X$  if (i)  $T(0) = I$ ,  $I$  is the identity operator on  $X$  and (ii)  $T(t + s) = T(t)T(s)$  for every  $t, s \geq 0$ . The linear operator  $A$  defined by

$$D(A) = \left\{ x \in X : \lim_{t \downarrow 0} \frac{T(t)x - x}{t} \text{ exists} \right\}$$

and

$$Ax = \lim_{t \downarrow 0} \frac{T(t)x - x}{t} \text{ for } x \in D(A),$$

is called the *infinitesimal generator* of the semigroup  $T(t)$ . Here  $D(A)$  denotes the domain of  $A$ . A semigroup  $T(t)$  is called *uniformly continuous* if

$$\lim_{t \downarrow 0} \|T(t) - I\| = 0.$$

A semigroup  $T(t)$ ,  $0 \leq t < \infty$ , of bounded linear operators on  $X$  is called a *strongly continuous* semigroup of bounded linear operators if

$$\lim_{t \downarrow 0} T(t)x = x \text{ for every } x \in X.$$

A strongly continuous semigroup  $T(t)$  is also called as a  $C_0$  semigroup. A  $C_0$  semigroup  $T(t)$  is called *compact* for  $t > t_0$  if for every  $t > t_0$ ,  $T(t)$  is a compact operator.  $T(t)$  is called *compact* if it is compact for  $t > 0$ . We note that, if  $T(t)$  is compact for  $t \geq 0$ , then in particular the identity operator is compact and therefore  $X$  in this case is finite dimensional. Also, if  $T(t_0)$  is compact for some  $t_0 > 0$ , then  $T(t)$  is compact for every  $t \geq t_0$  since  $T(t) = T(t - t_0)T(t_0)$  and  $T(t - t_0)$  is bounded.

We shall use the following result on the compact semigroups.

**Theorem 2.1:** *Let  $T(t)$  be a  $C_0$  semigroup. If  $T(t)$  is compact for  $t > t_0$ , then  $T(t)$  is uniformly continuous for  $t > t_0$ .*

We have the following characterization of a compact semigroup in terms of the resolvent operators  $R(\lambda; A)$  of its generator  $A$ .

**Theorem 2.2:** *Let  $T(t)$  be a  $C_0$  semigroup and let  $A$  be its infinitesimal generator.  $T(t)$  is a compact semigroup if and only if  $T(t)$  is uniformly continuous for  $t > 0$  and  $R(\lambda; A)$  is compact for  $\lambda \in \rho(A)$ .*

By a *mild solution* to (1.1) on  $J$  we mean a function  $u \in C(J; X)$  satisfying the integral equation

$$u(t) = T(t - t_0)u_0 + \int_{t_0}^t T(t - s)[f(s, u(s)) + \int_{t_0}^s a(s - \tau)g(\tau, u(\tau))d\tau]ds. \tag{2.2}$$

For the problem (2.1) we have the following existence theorem due to Pazy [4, 5].

**Theorem 2.3:** *Let  $X$  be Banach space and  $U$  be an open subset of  $X$ . Let  $-A$  be the infinitesimal generator of a compact semigroup  $T(t)$ ,  $t \geq 0$ . If  $f: J \times U \rightarrow X$  is continuous then for every  $u_0$  in  $U$ , there exists a  $t_1, t_0 < t_1 < T_0$ , such that (2.1) has a mild solution  $u$  on  $J_0 = [t_0, t_1)$ .*

The following result is due to Pavel [3] which extends the results of Theorem 2.3.

**Theorem 2.4:** *Suppose that  $D$  is a locally closed subset of  $X$ ,  $f: J \times D \rightarrow X$  is continuous where  $J = [t_0, T_0)$ , and the  $C_0$  semigroup  $T(t)$ ,  $t \geq 0$  is compact for  $t > 0$ . A necessary and sufficient condition for the existence of a local mild solution  $u: [t_0, T(t_0, u_0)) \rightarrow D$ ,  $t_0 < T(t_0, u_0) < T_0$  to (2.1) for  $u_0 \in D$  is*

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h^{-1} \text{dist}(S(h)z + hf(t, z); D) = 0$$

for all  $t \in [t_0, T_0)$  and  $z \in D$ .

### 3. Local Existence

Our aim is to extend the results of Theorem 2.3 to the initial value problem (1.1). Below we state and prove the following existence result for (1.1).

**Theorem 3.1:** *Let  $X$  be a Banach space,  $U$  be an open subset of  $X$  and  $J = [t_0, T_0)$ ,  $t_0 < T_0 \leq \infty$ . Let  $-A$  be the infinitesimal generator of a compact semi-*

group  $T(t)$ ,  $t \geq 0$ . If the nonlinear maps  $f, g: J \times U \rightarrow X$  are continuous and  $a$  is locally integrable in  $J$ , then for every  $u_0 \in X$  there exists a  $t_1, t_0 < t_1 < T_0$ , such that (2.1) has a mild solution  $u$  on  $[t_0, t_1]$ .

**Proof:** Let  $T$  be such that  $t_0 < T < T_0 \leq \infty$ . Let  $M$  be a positive constant such that

$$\|T(t)\| \leq M \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq T.$$

Let  $\rho > 0$  be such that

$$B_\rho(u_0) = \{v \in X: \|v - u_0\| \leq \rho\} \subset U.$$

Choose  $t' > t_0$  such that

$$\|f(t, v)\| \leq N_1,$$

$$\|g(t, v)\| \leq N_2,$$

for  $t_0 \leq t \leq t'$ ,  $v \in B_\rho(u_0)$  with positive constants  $N_1$  and  $N_2$ . Again choose  $t'' > t_0$  such that

$$\|T(t - t_0)u_0 - u_0\| < \frac{\rho}{2} \text{ for } t_0 \leq t \leq t''.$$

Let

$$t_1 = \min\left\{T, t', t'', t_0 + \frac{\rho}{2M(N_1 + a_T N_2)}\right\},$$

where  $a_T = \int_{t_0}^T |a(s)| ds$ . Now we set

$$Y = C([t_0, t_1]; X)$$

and

$$S = \{u \in Y: u(t_0) = u_0, u(t) \in B_\rho(u_0) \text{ for } t_0 \leq t \leq t_1\}.$$

We note that  $S$  is a bounded, closed and convex subset of  $Y$ . We define a map  $F: S \rightarrow Y$  given by

$$(Fu)(t) = T(t - t_0)u_0 + \int_{t_0}^t T(t - s)[f(s, u(s)) + \int_{t_0}^s a(s - \tau)g(\tau, u(\tau))d\tau]ds. \tag{3.1}$$

For  $u \in S$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|(Fu)(t) - u_0\| &\leq \|T(t - t_0)u_0 - u_0\| \\ &+ \left\| \int_{t_0}^t T(t - s)[f(s, u(s)) + \int_{t_0}^s a(s - \tau)g(\tau, u(\tau))d\tau]ds \right\| \\ &\leq \frac{\rho}{2} + (t_1 - t_0)M(N_1 + a_T N_2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \rho.$$

Thus  $F: S \rightarrow S$ . Now we show that  $F$  is continuous from  $S$  into  $S$ . To show this, we first observe that since  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous in  $[t_0, T] \times U$ , it follows that any  $\epsilon > 0$  and for a fixed  $u \in B_\rho(u_0)$  there exist  $\delta_1(u), \delta_2(u) > 0$  such that for any  $v \in B_\rho(u_0)$ , we have

$$\|u - v\|_Y \leq \delta_1(u) \Rightarrow \|f(t, u(t)) - f(t, v(t))\| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2TM}$$

and

$$\|u - v\|_Y \leq \delta_2(u) \Rightarrow \|g(t, u(t)) - g(t, v(t))\| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2a_T TM}.$$

Let

$$\delta(u) = \min\{\delta_1(u), \delta_2(u)\}.$$

Then for any  $v \in S$ ,  $\|u - v\|_Y < \delta(u)$  implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \|(Fu)(t) - (Fv)(t)\| &\leq \int_{t_0}^t \|T(t-s)\| \|f(s, u(s)) - f(s, v(s))\| ds \\ &+ \int_{t_0}^t \|T(t-s)\| \left( \int_{t_0}^s |a(s-\tau)| \|g(\tau, u(\tau)) - g(\tau, v(\tau))\| d\tau \right) ds. \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

Thus,  $F: S \rightarrow S$  is continuous. Let

$$\tilde{S} = F(S),$$

and for fixed  $t \in [t_0, t_1]$ , let

$$S(t) = \{(Fu)(t): u \in S\}.$$

Since  $S(t_0) = \{u_0\}$ ,  $S(t_0)$  is precompact in  $X$ . For  $t > t_0$  and  $0 < \epsilon < t - t_0$ , let

$$\begin{aligned} (F_\epsilon u)(t) &= T(t-t_0)u_0 + \int_{t_0}^{t-\epsilon} T(t-s)[f(s, u(s)) + \int_{t_0}^s a(s-\tau)g(\tau, u(\tau))d\tau]ds \\ &= T(t-t_0)u_0 + T(\epsilon) \int_{t_0}^{t-\epsilon} T(t-s-\epsilon)[f(s, u(s)) \\ &\quad + \int_{t_0}^s a(s-\tau)g(\tau, u(\tau))d\tau]ds. \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

The compactness of the semigroup  $T(t)$  for every  $t > 0$  and (3.3) imply that for every  $\epsilon, 0 < \epsilon < t - t_0$ , the set

$$S_\epsilon(t) = \{(F_\epsilon u)(t) : u \in S\}$$

is precompact in  $X$ . Now, for any  $u \in S$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|(Fu)(t) - (F_\epsilon u)(t)\| &\leq \int_{t-\epsilon}^t \|T(t-s)[fs, u(s)] + \int_{t_0}^s a(s-\tau)g(\tau, u(\tau))d\tau\| ds \\ &\leq \epsilon M(N_1 + a_T N_2). \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

From (3.4) it follows that the set  $S(t)$  is precompact. Now we show that  $\tilde{S}$  is equicontinuous. For  $r_1, r_2 \in [t_0, t_1]$  with  $r_1 < r_2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|(Fu)(r_2) - (Fu)(r_1)\| &\leq \|(T(r_2 - t_0) - T(r_1 - t_0))u_0\| \\ &\quad + (N_1 + a_T N_2) \int_{t_0}^{r_1} \|T(r_2 - s) - T(r_1 - s)\| ds \\ &\quad + (r_2 - r_1)M(N_1 + a_T N_2). \end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

Since  $T(t)$  is compact, Theorem 2.1 implies that  $T(t)$  is continuous in the uniform operator topology for  $t > 0$ . Therefore, the right-hand side of (3.5) tends to zero as  $r_2 - r_1$  tends to zero. Thus  $\tilde{S}$  is equicontinuous. Also,  $\tilde{S}$  is bounded. It follows from the Arzela-Ascoli theorem (cf. see Dieudonne [1]), that  $\tilde{S}$  is precompact. The existence of a fixed point of  $F$  in  $S$  is a consequence of Schauder's fixed point theorem and any fixed point of  $F$  in  $S$  is a mild solution to (1.1) on  $[t_0, t_1]$ .

### 4. Global Existence

In this section we consider the global existence of mild solution to (1.1). For (2.1) we have the following result.

**Theorem 4.1:** *Suppose  $-A$  is the infinitesimal generator of a compact semigroup  $T(t), t > 0$  on  $X$ . If  $f: [t_0, \infty) \times X \rightarrow X$  is continuous and maps bounded subsets of  $[t_0, \infty) \times X$  into bounded subsets in  $X$ , then for every  $u_0 \in X$  the equation (2.1) has a mild solution  $u$  on a maximal interval of existence  $[t_0, T_{max})$  and, if  $T_{max} < \infty$ , then*

$$\lim_{T \uparrow T_{max}} \|u(t)\| = \infty.$$

In the following theorem we extend the results of Theorem 4.1 to the problem (1.1).

**Theorem 4.2:** *Suppose  $-A$  is the infinitesimal generator of a compact semigroup  $T(t), t > 0$  on  $X$ . If  $f, g: [t_0, \infty) \times X \rightarrow X$  are continuous and map bounded subsets of  $[t_0, \infty) \times X$  into bounded subsets in  $X$  and  $a$  is locally integrable in  $[t_0, \infty)$ ,*

then for every  $u_0 \in X$  the equation (1.1) has a mild solution  $u$  on a maximal interval of existence  $[t_0, T_{max})$  and, if  $T_{max} < \infty$ , then

$$\lim_{t \uparrow T_{max}} \|u(t)\| = \infty.$$

**Proof:** From Theorem 3.1 we have the existence of a local mild solution  $u \in C([t_0, t_1]: X)$  for some  $t_0 < t_1$  to (1.1) given by

$$u(t) = T(t - t_0)u_0 + \int_{t_0}^t [f(s, u(s)) + \int_{t_0}^s a(s - \tau)g(\tau, u(\tau))d\tau]ds.$$

Suppose that  $u(t_1) < \infty$ . Consider the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dv}{dt} + Av(t) &= f(t, v(t)) + \int_{t_1}^t a(t - s)g(s, v(s))ds, & (4.1) \\ v(t_1) &= u(t_1). \end{aligned}$$

From Theorem 3.1 we have that there exists a mild solution  $v \in C([t_1, t_2]: X)$  for some  $t_2, t_1 < t_2 < \infty$  to (4.1) given by

$$\begin{aligned} v(t) &= T(t - t_1)u(t_1) + \int_{t_1}^t T(t - s)[f(s, v(s)) + \int_{t_1}^s a(s - \tau)g(\tau, v(\tau))d\tau]ds \\ &= T(t - t_1) \left[ T(t_1 - t_0)u_0 + \int_{t_0}^{t_1} T(t_1 - s)[f(s, u(s)) + \int_{t_0}^s a(s - \tau)g(\tau, u(\tau))d\tau]ds \right] \\ &\quad + \int_{t_1}^t T(t - s)[f(s, v(s)) + \int_{t_1}^s a(s - \tau)g(\tau, v(\tau))d\tau]ds \\ &= T(t - t_0)u_0 + \int_{t_0}^{t_1} T(t - s)[f(s, u(s)) + \int_{t_0}^s a(s - \tau)g(\tau, u(\tau))d\tau]ds \\ &\quad + \int_{t_1}^t T(t - s)[f(s, v(s)) + \int_{t_1}^s a(s - \tau)g(\tau, v(\tau))d\tau]ds. \end{aligned}$$

We define  $\tilde{u} : [t_0, t_2] \rightarrow X$  by

$$\tilde{u}(t) = \begin{cases} u(t), & t \in [t_0, t_1), \\ v(t), & t \in [t_1, t_2]. \end{cases}$$

Then  $\tilde{u} \in C([t_0, t_2]; X)$  and for  $t_1 < t < t_2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{u}(t) &= T(t-t_0)u_0 + \int_{t_0}^{t_1} T(t-s)[f(s, \tilde{u}(s)) + \int_{t_0}^s a(s-\tau)g(\tau, \tilde{u}(\tau))d\tau]ds \\ &\quad + \int_{t_1}^t T(t-s)[f(s, \tilde{u}(s)) + \int_{t_1}^s a(s-\tau)g(\tau, \tilde{u}(\tau))d\tau]ds \\ &= T(t-t_0)u_0 + \int_{t_0}^t T(t-s)f(s, \tilde{u}(s))ds \\ &\quad + \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_{t_0}^s T(t-s)a(s-\tau)g(\tau, \tilde{u}(\tau))d\tau ds \\ &\quad + \int_{t_1}^t \int_{t_1}^s T(t-s)a(s-\tau)g(\tau, \tilde{u}(\tau))d\tau ds. \end{aligned} \quad (4.2)$$

Changing the order of integration in (4.2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{u}(t) &= T(t-t_0)u_0 + \int_{t_0}^t T(t-s)f(s, \tilde{u}(s))ds \\ &\quad + \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_r^{t_1} T(t-s)a(s-\tau)g(\tau, \tilde{u}(\tau))dsd\tau \\ &\quad + \int_{t_1}^t \int_r^t T(t-s)a(s-\tau)g(\tau, \tilde{u}(\tau))dsd\tau \\ &= T(t-t_0)u_0 + \int_{t_0}^t T(t-s)[f(s, \tilde{u}(s)) + \int_{t_0}^s a(s-\tau)g(\tau, \tilde{u}(\tau))d\tau]ds. \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

From (4.3) we have that  $\tilde{u}$  is a mild solution to (1.1) on  $[t_0, t_2)$ . Now, suppose that  $[t_0, T_{max})$  is the maximal interval to which the solution  $u$  of (1.1) can be extended. If  $T_{max} < \infty$ , then we show that  $\|u(t)\| \rightarrow \infty$  as  $t \uparrow T_{max}$ . It suffices to show that  $\overline{\lim}_{t \uparrow T_{max}} \|u(t)\| = \infty$ . If  $\overline{\lim}_{t \uparrow T_{max}} \|u(t)\| < \infty$ , then there exists a sequence  $t_n \uparrow T_{max}$  such that  $\|u(t_n)\| \leq K$  for some constant  $K$  and for all  $n$ . Suppose that  $\|T(t)\| \leq M$  for  $t \leq t \leq T_{max}$  and let

$$N_1 = \sup\{\|f(t, v)\| : t_0 \leq t \leq T_{max}, \|v\| \leq M(K+1)\}$$



and

$$N_2 = \sup\{ \|g(t, v)\| : t_0 \leq t \leq T_{max}, \|v\| \leq M(K + 1)\}.$$

Using the continuity of  $u$  and the assumption that  $\overline{\lim}_{t \uparrow T_{max}} \|u(t)\| < \infty$ , we can find a sequence  $\{h_n\}$  such that  $h_n \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\|u(t)\| \leq M(K + 1)$  for  $t_n \leq t \leq t_n + h_n$  and  $\|u(t_n + h_n)\| = M(K + 1)$ . But then we have

$$\begin{aligned} M(K + 1) &= \|T(t_n + h_n)\| \\ &\leq \|T(h_n)u(t_n)\| \\ &+ \int_{t_n}^{t_n + h_n} \|T(t_n + h_n - s)[f(s, u(s)) + \int_{t_n}^s a(s - \tau)g(\tau, u(\tau))d\tau]\| ds \\ &\leq MK + h_n(N_1 + a_{T_{max}} N_2)M \end{aligned}$$

which gives a contradiction as  $h_n \rightarrow 0$ . Hence,

$$\overline{\lim}_{t \uparrow T_{max}} \|u(t)\| = \infty.$$

This completes the proof.

Finally, we prove the following global existence result for (1.1).

**Theorem 4.3:** *Let  $-A$  be the infinitesimal generator of a compact semigroup,  $T(t), t \geq 0$  on  $X$ . Let  $f, g: [t_0, \infty) \times X \rightarrow X$  be continuous functions mapping bounded subsets  $[t_0, \infty) \times X$  into bounded subsets of  $X$  and  $a$  be locally integrable in  $[t_0, \infty)$ , then any one of the following two conditions is sufficient for the global existence of a mild solution  $u$  to (1.1):*

- (i) *There exist a continuous function  $k_0: [t_0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that  $\|u(t)\| \leq k_0(t)$  for every  $t$  in the interval of existence of  $u$ .*
- (ii) *There exist functions  $k_i: [t_0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty), i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ ; such that  $k_1, k_2, a * k_3$ , and  $a * k_4$  are locally integrable on  $[t_0, \infty)$ , and for  $t_0 \leq t < \infty, v \in X$*

$$\|f(t, v)\| \leq k_1(t) \|v\| + k_2(t), \tag{4.4}$$

$$\|g(t, v)\| \leq k_3(t) \|v\| + k_4(t), \tag{4.5}$$

where

$$a * k_i(t) = \int_{t_0}^t a(t - s)k_i(s)ds$$

for  $i = 3, 4$ .

**Proof:** (i) Since for any  $t_1, t_0 < t_1 < \infty$   $\|u(t_1)\| \leq k_0(t_1) < \infty$ , from Theorem 4.2, it follows that the solution  $u$  can be extended beyond  $t_1$ , hence the solution  $u$  exists globally.

(ii) The mild solution  $u$  to (1.1) is given by

$$u(t) = T(t-t_0)u_0 + \int_{t_0}^t T(t-s)[f(s, u(s)) + \int_{t_0}^s a(s-\tau)g(\tau, u(\tau))d\tau]ds.$$

Let  $\|T(t)\| \leq Me^{\omega t}$ . Multiplying the above equation by  $e^{-\omega(t-t_0)}$  and taking the norm, we have

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-\omega(t-t_0)} \|u(t)\| &\leq M \|u_0\| + M \int_{t_0}^t e^{-\omega(s-t_0)} [\|f(s, u(s))\| \\ &\quad + \int_{t_0}^s |a(s-\tau)| \|g(\tau, u(\tau))\| d\tau] ds. \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

For  $t \in [t_0, \infty)$ , set

$$\xi(t) = M \|u_0\| + M \int_{t_0}^t e^{-\omega(s-t_0)} [k_2(s) + \int_{t_0}^s |a(s-\tau)| k_4(\tau) d\tau] ds.$$

From (4.6) we have

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-\omega(t-t_0)} \|u(t)\| &\leq \xi(t) + M \int_{t_0}^t e^{-\omega(s-t_0)} [k_1(s) \|u(s)\| + \int_{t_0}^s |a(s-\tau)| k_3(s) \|u(\tau)\| d\tau] ds. \end{aligned}$$

For  $t_0 \leq r \leq t$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-\omega(t-t_0)} \|u(r)\| &\leq \xi(r) + M \int_{t_0}^r e^{-\omega(s-t_0)} [k_1(s) \|u(s)\| + \int_{t_0}^s |a(s-\tau)| k_3(s) \|u(\tau)\| d\tau] ds \\ &\leq \xi(r) + M \int_{t_0}^r e^{-\omega(s-t_0)} [k_1(s) \\ &\quad + \int_{t_0}^s |a(s-\tau)| k_3(s)] \sup_{t_0 \leq \tau \leq s} \|u(\tau)\| ds. \end{aligned} \quad (4.7)$$

Taking the supremum over  $[t_0, t]$  on both the sides of (4.7), we get

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-\omega(t-t_0)} \sup_{t_0 \leq r < t} \|u(r)\| &\leq \sup_{t_0 \leq r \leq t} \xi(r) + M \int_{t_0}^t e^{-\omega(s-t_0)} [k_1(s) \\ &\quad + \int_{t_0}^s |a(s-\tau)| k_3(\tau) d\tau] \sup_{t_0 \leq r \leq s} \|u(\tau)\| ds. \end{aligned} \quad (4.8)$$

Gronwall's inequality implies that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & e^{-\omega(t-t_0)} \sup_{t_0 \leq r \leq t} \|u(r)\| \\
 & \leq \sup_{t_0 \leq r \leq t} \xi(r) + M \int_{t_0}^t \left[ e^{-\omega(s-t_0)} [k_1(s) + \int_{t_0}^s |a(s-\tau)| k_3(\tau) d\tau] \exp \left\{ \int_s^t [k_1(u) \right. \right. \\
 & \qquad \qquad \qquad \left. \left. + \int_{t_0}^s |a(u-\tau)| k_3(\tau) d\tau] du \right\} \right] \sup_{t_0 \leq r \leq s} \xi(\tau) ds. \tag{4.9}
 \end{aligned}$$

Inequality (4.9) implies that  $\|u(t)\|$  is bounded by a continuous function and from (i) we get the global existence of the mild solution  $u$  to (1.1). This completes the proof.

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