

Addendum and corrigendum to the paper

“Some applications of Zygmund’s lemma to non-linear differential equations
in Banach and Hilbert spaces”

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1. By using an idea of Diaz and Weinacht [1], Theorem 2 of the above paper can be strengthened by the replacement of the condition (1.4), viz

$$(1) \quad \operatorname{re} \langle f(t, y) - f(t, z), y - z \rangle \leq \frac{1}{2} g(t, \|y - z\|^2),$$

by the condition

$$(2) \quad \operatorname{re} \langle f(t, y) - f(t, z), y - z \rangle \leq \|y - z\| g(t, \|y - z\|),$$

where g satisfies the (usual Kamke) condition (A) of §1. In particular, when $g(t, x) = x/(t - t_0)$ (which gives Nagumo’s condition), the replacement of (1) by (2) removes the factor $\frac{1}{2}$ on the right of (1).

The proof of the new version of Theorem 2 follows similar lines to that of the original version, but we now take $\sigma_{m,n}(t) = \|\psi_m(t) - \psi_n(t)\|$, where, for each n , ψ_n is an ε_n -approximate solution of the equation $y' = f(t, y)$ such that $\psi_n(t_0) = y_0$. If $\psi_m(t) \neq \psi_n(t)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} (3) \quad \sigma'_{m,n}(t) &= \frac{d}{dt} \{ \|\psi_m(t) - \psi_n(t)\|^2 \}^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \frac{\operatorname{re} \langle \psi'_m(t) - \psi'_n(t), \psi_m(t) - \psi_n(t) \rangle}{\|\psi_m(t) - \psi_n(t)\|} \\ &= \frac{\operatorname{re} \langle f(t, \psi_m(t)) - f(t, \psi_n(t)), \psi_m(t) - \psi_n(t) \rangle}{\|\psi_m(t) - \psi_n(t)\|} \\ &\quad + \frac{\operatorname{re} \langle \psi_m(t) - f(t, \psi_m(t)) - \psi_n(t) + f(t, \psi_n(t)), \psi_m(t) - \psi_n(t) \rangle}{\|\psi_m(t) - \psi_n(t)\|} \\ &\leq g(t, \sigma_{m,n}(t)) + \varepsilon_m + \varepsilon_n. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, if $\psi_m(t) = \psi_n(t)$, then

$$(4) \quad D_+ \sigma_{m,n}(t) \leq \| \psi'_m(t) - \psi'_n(t) \| = \| \psi'_m(t) - f(t, \psi_m(t)) - \psi'_n(t) + f(t, \psi_n(t)) \| \\ \leq \varepsilon_m + \varepsilon_n,$$

and therefore the final inequality in (3) holds for all $t \in I$.

If now $\omega_n = \sup_{m>n} \sigma_{m,n}$, then exactly as before we see that there exists a subsequence (ω_{n_r}) of (ω_n) converging uniformly on I to a function ω , and that $\omega(t_0) = 0$ and $D_+ \omega(t) \leq g(t, \omega(t))$ for all $t \in I^\circ$. The third identity in (3) and the final inequality in (4) show also (again as before) that $\omega'(t_0) = 0$, and therefore $\omega = 0$, as required.

2. A similar improvement can be effected in Theorem 4 by the substitution of (2) for (1); moreover, the proof is simplified, and Lemma 6 is no longer necessary.

In my paper it is incorrectly stated that the special case of Theorem 4 where $g(t, x) = x/(t-t_0)$ is a result of Murakami, but in fact Murakami's result is the same special case of the revised version of Theorem 4.

Reference

- [1] J. B. Diaz and R. J. Weinacht, *On nonlinear differential equations in Hilbert spaces*, *Applicable Analysis*, 1 (1971), pp. 31-41.

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