Abstract delay equations in the light of suns and stars

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Two classes of abstract delay equations

Given a Banach space *Y* and an initial history $\varphi : [-h, 0] \to Y$, extend φ to $x : [-h, t_e) \to Y$ for some $0 < t_e \le \infty$.

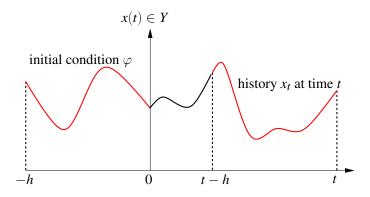
Two of many ways:

RE Prescribe x(t) as function of x_t for t > 0.

DDE Prescribe derivative $\dot{x}(t)$ as function of x_t for $t \ge 0$.

Shift the extension on [t - h, t] back to [-h, 0].

Obtain a dynamical system on a state space X of histories.



Adjoint semigroups for delay equations

TYPE	STATE SPACE X	DE	DE ₀
RE	$L^p([-h,0],Y)$	$x(t)=F(x_t)$	x(t) = 0
DDE	C([-h,0],Y)	$\dot{x}(t) = Bx(t) + F(x_t)$	$\dot{x}(t) = Bx(t)$

$F: X \to Y$ is a continuous operator,

B generates a C_0 -semigroup *S* on *Y*.

Solutions of $(DE_0 + IC)$ define a C_0 shift semigroup T_0 on X.

Adjoint semigroup theory for T_0 on X gives a canonical embedding

$$j: X \to X^{\odot \star}, \qquad \langle x^{\odot}, jx \rangle \coloneqq \langle x, x^{\odot} \rangle.$$

Perturbation of the w^{*}-generator $A_0^{\odot *}$ of $T_0^{\odot *}$ with an operator $G: X \to X^{\odot *}$ gives a semilinear differential equation in $X^{\odot *}$,

$$d^{\star}(j \circ u)(t) = A_0^{\odot \star} ju(t) + G(u(t)),$$

suggesting an abstract integral equation in X,

$$u(t) = T_0(t)\varphi + j^{-1} \int_0^t T_0^{\odot \star}(t-\tau) G(u(\tau)) \, d\tau.$$
 (IE)

For RE and DDE, in general T_0 is not sun-reflexive.

Still, there is a bounded embedding $\ell: Y \to X^{\odot \star}$ such that¹

1. for all continuous $w : \mathbb{R}_+ \to Y$ and all $t \ge 0$,

$$\int_0^t T_0^{\odot\star}(t-\tau)\ell w(\tau)\,d\tau\in jX,$$

and

2. for a given initial history $\varphi \in X$, solutions of (IE) with perturbation

$$G = \ell \circ F : X \to Y \to X^{\odot \star}$$

are in bijection with solutions of (DE + IC).

¹[Diekmann and Gyllenberg, 2008] for RE and [Janssens, 2019] for DDE.



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Definitions

Let T_0 be a C_0 -semigroup on a Banach space X over $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$ or $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C}$. Do not assume that T_0 is sun-reflexive.

Let J be a non-degenerate interval, and

$$\Omega_J \coloneqq \{(t,s) \in J \times J : t \ge s\}.$$

Given a continuous function $f: J \to X^{\odot *}$, study the range in $X^{\odot *}$ of the convolution map

$$\Omega_J \ni (t,s) \mapsto \int_s^t T_0^{\odot \star}(t-\tau) f(\tau) \, d\tau \in X^{\odot \star}$$

1. A continuous function $f: J \to X^{\odot \star}$ is admissible for T_0 if

$$\int_{s}^{t} T_{0}^{\odot \star}(t-\tau) f(\tau) \, d\tau \in jX \qquad \text{for all } (t,s) \in \Omega_{J}.$$

- A closed subspace X₀ of X^{⊙★} is an admissible range for T₀ if *every* continuous function f : J → X₀ is admissible for T₀.
 This is *independent* of the interval J.
- A continuous G : X → X[⊙]* is an admissible perturbation for T₀ if G takes its values in some T₀-admissible range.

An admissibility test

Lemma

Let \mathfrak{X}_0 be a closed subspace of $X^{\odot \star}$. If there exists an interval J such that every constant function on J into \mathfrak{X}_0 is T_0 -admissible, then \mathfrak{X}_0 is a T_0 -admissible range.

Proof.

- **0**. We can assume that *J* is compact.
- 1. Linear functions on *J* into X_0 are T_0 -admissible.
- 2. The same is true for affine functions, and for continuous piecewise affine functions.
- **3**. The latter function class is dense in $C(J, X_0)$.
- 4. Uniform convergence preserves admissibility.

Three questions about admissibility

maximality

Does there exist a maximal admissible range for T_0 ?

robustness

Let \mathfrak{X}_0 be an admissible range for T_0 .

Let *T* be obtained by perturbing T_0 with $L \in \mathcal{L}(X, \mathfrak{X}_0)$.

Is \mathfrak{X}_0 an admissible range for *T* as well?

splitting

Let $f : [0, t_e) \to \mathfrak{X}_0$ be continuous, for some $0 < t_e \le \infty$. Is perturbing *T* by *f* equivalent to perturbing T_0 by L + f.



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Maximality. The subspace $X_0^{\odot \times}$

For $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}$ with Re λ sufficiently large, the resolvent

$$R(\lambda, A_0^{\odot \star}) \coloneqq (\lambda I - A_0^{\odot \star})^{-1}$$

exists in $\mathcal{L}(X^{\odot \star})$. Define²

$$X_0^{\odot \times} \coloneqq \{ x^{\odot \star} \in X^{\odot \star} : R(\lambda, A_0^{\odot \star}) x^{\odot \star} \in jX \}.$$

This does not depend on λ .

 $X_0^{\odot \times}$ is closed and $T_0^{\odot \star}$ -invariant, and coincides with $X^{\odot \star}$ if and only if T_0 is sun-reflexive.

 $X_0^{\odot \times}$ is instrumental in the next two theorems about admissibility³.

²[Van Neerven, 1992]

³[Janssens, 2020]

Theorem

 $X_0^{\odot \times}$ is an admissible range for T_0 that is maximal for inclusion

Proof of admissibility.

- 0. Show that constant functions into $X_0^{\odot \times}$ are admissible for T_0 and apply testing lemma. For arbitrary $x^{\odot \times} \in X_0^{\odot \times}$,
- 1. Observe that $y_{\lambda}^{\odot \star} \coloneqq R(\lambda, A_0^{\odot \star}) x^{\odot \times}$ is in $\mathcal{D}(A_0^{\odot \star})$ and in *jX*.
- **2**. Evaluate, for any $s \leq t$,

$$\int_{s}^{t} T_{0}^{\odot \star}(t-\tau) x^{\odot \star} d\tau = \int_{s}^{t} T_{0}^{\odot \star}(t-\tau) (\lambda I - A_{0}^{\odot \star}) y_{\lambda}^{\odot \star} d\tau$$
$$= \lambda \int_{s}^{t} T_{0}^{\odot \star}(t-\tau) y_{\lambda}^{\odot \star} d\tau - (T_{0}^{\odot \star}(t-s) - I) y_{\lambda}^{\odot \star},$$

and note that the RHS sits in jX.

Proof of maximality.

- **0**. Let \mathfrak{X}_0 be an admissible range for T_0 . For arbitrary $x^{\odot \star} \in \mathfrak{X}_0$,
- 1. Verify the adjoint Laplace transform representation

$$R(\lambda, A_0^{\odot \star}) x^{\odot \star} = \lim_{t \to \infty} \int_0^t T_0^{\odot \star}(\tau) e^{-\lambda \tau} x^{\odot \star} d\tau, \qquad (\#)$$

with convergence in the norm of $X^{\odot \star}$.

2. Evaluate, for any $t \ge 0$,

$$\int_0^t T_0^{\odot \star}(\tau) e^{-\lambda \tau} x^{\odot \star} \, d\tau = e^{-\lambda t} \int_0^t T_0^{\odot \star}(t-\tau) e^{\lambda \tau} x^{\odot \star} \, d\tau,$$

and note that the RHS sits in jX.

3. Apply (#) and use norm-closedness of jX.

Corollary

A continuous perturbation $G: X \to X^{\odot *}$ is admissible for T_0 if and only if G takes its values in $X_0^{\odot \times}$.

Robustness and splitting

Theorem

Robustness

Let T be obtained by perturbing T_0 with $L \in \mathcal{L}(X, X_0^{\odot \times})$. Then $X_0^{\odot \times}$ is an admissible range for T as well.

Splitting

Let $f: J \to X_0^{\odot \times}$ be continuous on a compact time interval J. The unique solution $u: J \to X$ of

$$u(t) = T_0(t)\varphi + j^{-1} \int_0^t T_0^{\odot \star}(t-\tau) [Lu(\tau) + f(\tau)] d\tau \qquad (\dagger)$$

is given by

$$u(t) = T(t)\varphi + j^{-1} \int_0^t T^{\odot \star}(t-\tau) f(\tau) d\tau.$$

Proof.

- **0.** Suppose that $\varphi \in j^{-1}\mathcal{D}(A_0^{\odot \star})$ and $f: J \to X_0^{\odot \times}$ Lipschitz.
- 1. There exist Lipschitz $u_m: J \to X$ and $f_m: J \to X_0^{\odot \times}$ such that

$$u_m(t) = T_0(t)\varphi + j^{-1} \int_0^t T_0^{\odot \star}(t-\tau) [Lu_m(\tau) + f_m(\tau)] d\tau,$$

for all $t \in J$, and $f_m \to f$ and $u_m \to u_{\varphi,f}$ uniformly on J, where $u_{\varphi,f} : J \to X$ is the unique solution of (†).

2. Use the regularity of φ , u_m , and f_m to w^{*}-differentiate and split,

$$d^{\star}(j \circ u_m)(t) = A_0^{\odot \star} j u_m(t) + L u_m(t) + f_m(t)$$
$$= A^{\odot \star} j u_m(t) + f_m(t)$$

for $t \in J$, with $u_m(0) = \varphi$.

3. w^{*}-integrate from arbitrary *s* to *t* in *J*,

$$ju_m(t) - jT(t-s)u_m(s) = \int_s^t T^{\odot \star}(t-\tau)f_m(\tau) d\tau,$$

hence f_m is admissible for T.

4. Let $m \to \infty$ uniformly on *J* to conclude *f* is *T*-admissible, and

$$u_{\varphi,f}(t) = T(t)\varphi + j^{-1} \int_0^t T^{\odot \star}(t-\tau)f(\tau) \, d\tau.$$

5. The general case for $\varphi \in X$ and $f \in C(J, X_0^{\odot \times})$ follows from the continuity of

$$X \times C(J, X_0^{\odot imes}) \ni (\varphi, f) \mapsto u_{\varphi, f} \in C(J, X)$$

and density of $j^{-1}\mathcal{D}(A_0^{\odot\star}) \times \operatorname{Lip}(J, X_0^{\odot\times})$.

Corollary (of maximality and robustness) The maximal admissible ranges for T and T_0 coincide: $X^{\odot \times} = X_0^{\odot \times}$.



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Implications for nonlinear local analysis

Do not insist on sun-reflexivity of *X* for T_0 . Instead, systematically require all perturbations to take values in $X^{\odot \times}$.

Let $G: X \to X^{\odot \times}$ be C^k for $k \ge 1$ and G(0) = 0. Variation-of-constants

$$u(t) = T(t-s)u(s) + j^{-1} \int_s^t T^{\odot \star}(t-\tau)R(u(\tau)) d\tau, \qquad s \le t,$$

is well-defined, with $L \coloneqq DG(0)$ and $R \coloneqq G - L$ into $X^{\odot \times}$.

This has led to relatively easy generalizations of sun-reflexive results, such as local center manifold theorems⁴.

⁴Compare [Diekmann et. al., 1995] with [Janssens, 2020, Theorems 39 and 41]

Existing and new motivation

These theorems underlie bifurcation analysis in abstract DDE models⁵,

$$\dot{x}(t) = Bx(t) + F(x_t), \qquad t \ge 0.$$

with *S* generated by *B* immediately norm-continuous on *Y*.

So the cases B = 0 and $B \neq 0$ are treated on an equal footing.

Recent motivation comes from

DDE second-order Cauchy problems on *Y* with delayed feedback control (with S.M. Verduyn Lunel), and

RE + DDE models of structured populations (with O. Diekmann).

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