

# A Hilbert space approach to state-dependent delay equations

① Motivation & Main result

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② Proof of Main Result

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③ Outlook

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Throughout  $h > 0, T > 0$ .

For  $\kappa: [-h, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  define  $x_t := ([-h, 0] \ni s \mapsto x(s+t) \in \mathbb{R}^n) \in (\mathbb{R}^n)^{[-h, 0]}$

In this talk address w.p. of

$$(*) \begin{cases} x'(t) = g(x(t+r(\kappa_t))) \\ x_0 = z \in ([-h, 0]; \mathbb{R}^n) \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \text{ Lipschitz} \\ r: \text{dom}(r) \subseteq (\mathbb{R}^n)^{[-h, 0]} \rightarrow [-h, 0] \end{array}$$

## Examples

Prototype  $|r(\phi) - r(\psi)| \lesssim \|\phi - \psi\|_\infty$  where  $\|\phi'\|_\infty, \|\psi'\|_\infty \leq B$

(b)  $x'(t) = -x(t - \min\{|x(t)|, 2\})$   $h=2, T > 0$  small

$$x_0 = z = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{on } -2 \leq t \leq -1 \\ 3(t+1)^{2/3} - 1 & \text{on } -1 \leq t < c \\ \text{affine} & c < t \leq 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{with } \phi(0) = 1 \\ \phi \text{ continuous \&} \end{array}$$

not Lipschitz!

Then  $x_1(t) = 1+t, x_2(t) = 1+t-t^3$  both solve IVP.

Main issue: Estimate  $|\phi(r(\phi)) - \psi(r(\psi))| \lesssim |\phi - \psi|$

$$\begin{aligned} |\phi(r(\phi)) - \psi(r(\psi))| &\leq |\phi(r(\phi)) - \psi(r(\phi))| + |\psi(r(\phi)) - \psi(r(\psi))| \\ &\leq |\phi - \psi|_\infty + \|\psi\|_{Lip} |r(\phi) - r(\psi)| \end{aligned}$$

Need control of Lipschitz norm of  $\psi$  and  $\phi$ .

Known ways: Solution space  $C^1$  (Walkes '03, '04) more assumptions on  $g$

Space of pre-histories  $W^{1,\infty} + L_p$  on  $(0, T]$   
(Hartung, Turi '97)

Combination of both (Nishiguchi '17 / '18)

As of now: No genuine Hilbert space approach!   
→ PDE!  
← Kirschbraun's Theorem!

Theorem (Frohberg, W' 24)

Let  $z \in H^1(-h, 0)$ ,  $g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $r: H^1(-h, 0) \rightarrow [-h, 0]$  all be Lipschitz continuous.

Then  $\exists! x \in H^1(-h, T)$  satisfying  $\textcircled{*}$ .

② Problem can be reduced to the case  $z \equiv 0$ .

Lemma.  $x \in H^1(-h, T)$ . TFAE:

$$x \text{ satisfies } \textcircled{*} \iff x(t) = \int_0^{\max\{t, 0\}} g(x(s + r(x_s))) ds \quad (t \in (-h, T))$$

Integral well-defined?

$$\Theta: H^1(-h, T) \longrightarrow C([0, T], H^1(-h, 0))$$

$$x \longmapsto (s \longmapsto x_s)$$

continuous.

$$+ H^1(-h, T) \subseteq C[-h, T]$$

(Sobolev-embedding)

Define

$$\Psi : x \mapsto (t \mapsto \int_0^{\max\{t,0\}} g(x(s) + r(x_s)) ds)$$

- 2 Problems: (a)  $\Psi$  Lipschitz?  
 (b)  $\Psi$  contractive?

(a) Consider

$$V_\beta := \{ y \in H^1(-h,0) ; \|y'\|_\infty \leq \beta \} \subseteq H^1(-h,0)$$

closed & convex;  $\pi_\beta : H^1 \rightarrow V_\beta$  (metric) projection is contraction.

$$\Psi_\beta : x \mapsto (t \mapsto \int_0^{t \vee 0} g(\pi_\beta(x(s) + r(\pi_\beta x_s))) ds)$$

As  $\pi_\beta$  Lipschitz, we find  $\beta > 0$  with  $\|\pi_\beta\|_\infty < \beta$ .

(b) Weighted spaces use weighted norm:  $H_\beta^1 = H^1$  with norm

$$\| \varphi \|_{H_\beta^1}^2 = \int_{-h}^T (|\varphi'(s)|^2 + |\varphi(s)|^2) e^{-2\beta s} ds$$

The

$$\Theta_\beta : H_\beta^1(-h, T) \longrightarrow L_{2,\beta}(0, T; H^1(-h,0))$$

$$x \mapsto (s \mapsto x_s)$$

Satisfies  $\| \Theta_\beta \| \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\beta}} \leq \|x_t - y_t\|_{H^1}$

$$\Rightarrow \| (\Psi_\beta x)' - (\Psi_\beta y)' \|_{L_{2,\beta}^2(-h, T)}^2 \leq \int_0^T \underbrace{\|x_t - y_t\|_\infty^2}_{\leq \|x_t - y_t\|_{H^1}^2} + \beta \|x_t - y_t\|_{H^1}^2 dt \leq \frac{1}{2\beta} \|x - y\|_{H_\beta^1}^2$$

To conclude the proof:

Choose  $\beta > \left( \|z\|_{Lip} \right) + \|g(z(r(z)))\|$ .

Then  $\exists! x^\beta \in H^1(-h, T)$ :  $x^\beta = \Psi_\beta x^\beta$ .

Since  $x^\beta(t) = g(\pi_\beta x^\beta(t) + r(\pi_\beta x^\beta(t)))$ ; thus, for small  $t$ ,

$\|x^\beta(t)\| < \beta$ ; so  $\pi_\beta x^\beta = x^\beta$ .

If  $\|x^\beta(t)\| < \beta$  for all  $t \in (-h, T)$ :  $\checkmark$

Otherwise  $\|x^\beta(t_\beta)\| = \beta$  with  $t_\beta$  minimal.

Then  $\exists! x^{2\beta} \in H^1(-h, T)$ :  $x^{2\beta} = \Psi_{2\beta} x^{2\beta}$ ,

$x^\beta \Big|_{(-h, t_\beta)} = x^{2\beta} \Big|_{(-h, t_\beta)}$ .

$\Rightarrow t_\beta < t_{2\beta} < \dots$

$(t_{k\beta})_k$  eventually constant equal  $T$

or  $\|x'(t_{k\beta})\| \rightarrow \infty$  ( $k \rightarrow \infty$ ) in finite time  
~~\*~~ cannot happen.

Any solution of ~~\*~~ bdd  $\Rightarrow g(\dots)$  bdd

## Outlook.

- SDDs on PDEs (infinite memory horizon?)
- FDEs
- Kirschbraun's Theorem for non-auto PDEs