ON THE ORDER OF EXPONENTIAL GROWTH OF THE SOLUTION
OF THE LINEAR DIFFERENCE EQUATION WITH PERIODIC
COEFFICIENT IN BANACH SPACE

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ABSTRACT. An equation of the form \( y - A(t)y = f(t) \) is considered, where
\[ \Delta y = \frac{y(t+\delta) - y(t)}{\delta}, \]
and the necessary and sufficient criteria for the exponential growth of the solution of this equation is obtained.

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1. INTRODUCTION.

Let \( E \) be a complex Banach space. Denote by \( \{ A(t) : t \geq 0 \} \) a family of linear bounded operators from \( E \) into itself. We assume that \( A(t) \) is periodic and strongly continuous in \( t \in [0, \infty) \).

Let \( || \cdot || \) be the norm in \( E \). Denote by \( E_\alpha \) the set of all elements \( f(t) \in E \) such that
\[ \sup ||f(t)|| \exp (-\alpha t) < \infty. \]

2. RESULTS.

Let \( \Delta y = \frac{y(t+\delta) - y(t)}{\delta}, \delta > 0, y(t) \) be a solution of the difference equation
\[ \Delta y - A(t)y = f(t), \quad t \geq \delta \quad (2.1) \]
such that
\[ y(t) = 0, \quad 0 \leq t < \delta \quad (2.2) \]
where \( 0 \) is the zero of \( E \).

Let us assume that \( f \in E_\alpha \). The solution of equation (2.1) can be written in the
\[
y(t) = \delta \sum_{i=0}^{t-\delta} A(i) y(i) + \delta \sum_{i=0}^{t-\delta} f(i)
\]  
(2.3)

where \( t = \lfloor n\delta \rfloor \), \( \lfloor a \rfloor \) denotes the greatest positive integer \( \leq a \) and \( \delta \) is a positive integer.

Without loss of generality we suppose that \( \delta = 1 \).

Putting \( t = 1, 2, \ldots, n \) in (2.3), one obtains

\[
y(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \sum_{i=n-j} (I + A(i)) f(j-1) + f(t-1)
\]

where \( I \) is the unit operator. Let \( w \) be the period of \( A(t) \).

\[
B(i) = B(n-1) B(n-2) \ldots B(j), j \leq n - 1
\]

Substituting \( t = \lfloor S w \rfloor \) into equation (2.4), we obtain

\[
y(t) = \sum_{r=1}^{S} \left( \prod_{k=w-1}^{r-1} (I + A(k)) \right) \sum_{j=1}^{w-1} f_{j}(r-1)w+j-1) + f((r-1)w + w-1)
\]

where

\[
f_{1}(\xi w) = A(w-1) A(w-2) \ldots A(1) f(\xi w)
\]
\[
f_{2}(\xi w+1) = A(w-1) A(w-2) \ldots A(2) f(\xi w+1)
\]
\[
\ldots
\]
\[
f_{w-1}(\xi w+w-2) = A(w-1) f(\xi w + w-2).
\]

Setting \( B = \prod_{k=w-1}^{0} [ I + A(k) ] \) in (2.5) we get

\[
y(t) = \sum_{r=1}^{t} B \sum_{j=1}^{w-1} f_{j}((r-1)w + j-1) + f((r-1)w + w-1).
\]

The last equation can be written in the form

\[
y(t) = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \sum_{r=1}^{t} \sum_{\lambda} \lambda^{-w} (B-\lambda I)^{-1} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{w-1} f_{j}((r-1)w+j-1) + f((r-1)w + w-1) \right)
\]

(2.6)

where \( \gamma \) is a contour which circumscribes all the specter of the operator \( B, [1] \).

It can be seen that if \( f \in E_{\alpha} \), then \((B-\lambda I)^{-1} f \in E_{\alpha} \) for every \( \lambda \in \gamma \).

From equation (2.6) we obtain a necessary and sufficient criterion for the exponential growth of the solution with an index \( \beta \). Let \( \sigma_{B} \) denote the specter of the operator \( B \). Assume that \( \lambda_{0} \in \sigma_{B} \). Set \( \alpha_{0} = \frac{1}{w} \ln |\lambda_{0}| \).

The following theorem holds:

**THEOREM.** If \( f \in E_{\alpha} \), then the solution \( y \) of equation (2.1) belongs to \( E_{\beta} \) such that
\[ \beta = \alpha, \text{ when } \alpha > \alpha_0 \]
\[ \beta > \alpha, \text{ when } \alpha = \alpha_0 \]
\[ \beta = \alpha_0', \text{ when } \alpha < \alpha_0. \]

**Proof.** To prove the sufficiency, we consider the following three cases:

1. If \( \alpha > \frac{1}{w} \ln |\lambda| \) then \( y(t) \) defined by (2.6) belongs to \( E_\alpha \).

2. If \( \alpha > \frac{1}{w} \ln |\lambda| \) then from (2.6) we obtain

\[
||y|| \leq D \sum_{r=1}^{w-1} \exp \left( \frac{1}{w} \ln |\lambda| (t-rw) \right) \left( \sum_{j=1}^{w-1} ||f_j((r-1)w+j-1)|| \right) + ||f((r-1)w + w-1)||
\]
\[
< D_1 \exp \left( \frac{t}{w} \right) + D_2 \exp \left( \frac{t}{w} \right) \cdot (w-2) \frac{t}{w}
\]
\[
< D' \exp(\alpha t).t
\]
(where \( D, D_1, D_2 \) and \( D' \) are constants).

This means that \( y \in B_\alpha \) where \( \alpha > \alpha \).

3. If \( \alpha < \frac{1}{w} \ln |\lambda| \) and \( ||f|| \leq c \exp(\alpha t) \), then from (2.6) we have

\[
||y|| \leq C_1 \exp \left( \frac{1}{w} \ln |\lambda| \right) t
\]
\[
\text{and } y \in E_\alpha \left( \frac{\alpha}{w} \ln |\lambda| \right).
\]

We now prove the necessity:

If \( \lambda_0 \) is an eigenvalue and \( x_0 \) is an eigenvector for the operator \( B \) such that

\[ Bx_0 = \lambda_0 x_0, \]

where \( x_0 \) is an element of Banach space such that \( ||x_0|| = 1 \), by taking \( f(t) = \exp(\alpha t).x_0 \), equation (2.6) with \( (B - \lambda I)^{-1} x_0 = \frac{x_0}{\lambda_0 - \lambda} \) becomes

\[
y(t) = \sum_{r=1}^{w-1} \exp \left( \frac{t}{w} \ln |\lambda_0| (t-rw) \right) \left( \sum_{j=1}^{w-1} f_j((r-1)w+j-1) + f((r-1)w + w-1) \right).
\] (2.7)

Multiplying the last equation by \( \exp(-\alpha_0 t) \), where \( \alpha_0 = \frac{1}{w} \ln |\lambda_0| \), we have

\[
y(t) \exp(-\alpha_0 t) = \exp \left( \frac{i \theta t}{w} \right) \sum_{r=1}^{w-1} \exp \left( -\alpha_0 wr \right) \left( \sum_{j=1}^{w-1} f_j((r-1)w+j-1) + f((r-1)w + w-1) \right)
\]

where \( \theta = \text{arg } \lambda \).

\[
y(t) \exp(-\alpha_0 t) = \exp \left( \frac{i \theta t}{w} + w(1 - \alpha)_0 -1 \right) \sum_{r=1}^{w-1} \exp \left( (\alpha - \alpha_0) wr \right) x_0
\]
\[
+ \exp \left( \frac{i \theta t}{w} \right) \sum_{r=1}^{w-1} \exp(-\alpha_0 wr) f_j((r-1)w+j-1)
\]
\[
\exp \left( \frac{i\alpha t}{w} + (\alpha - \alpha_0) \right) \frac{\exp \left( (\alpha - \alpha_0) t - 1 \right) x_0}{1 - \frac{1}{\exp (\alpha - \alpha_0)}} \\
+ \exp \left( \frac{i\alpha t}{w} \right) \sum_{r=1}^{t} \sum_{j=1}^{w-1} \exp (-\alpha_0 wr) f_j((r-1)w + j-1) \quad (2.8)
\]

Now for the last relation we have the following cases:

1) If \( \alpha > \alpha_0 \) then by using formula (2.8) we get

\[
\lim_{t \to \infty} y(t) \exp \left(-\alpha_0 t\right) = \infty.
\]

This means that \( y \notin E_{\alpha_0} \) but \( y \in E_{\alpha} \) (\( \alpha > \alpha_0 \)).

2) If \( \alpha = \alpha_0 \) then from (2.8)

\[
y(t) \exp \left(-\alpha_0 t\right) = \exp \left( (w(1 - \alpha) - 1 + \frac{i\alpha t}{w} \right) x_0 \\
+ \exp \left( \frac{i\alpha t}{w} \right) \sum_{r=1}^{t} \sum_{j=1}^{w-1} \exp (-\alpha_0 wr) f_j((r-1)w + j-1).
\]

Using the last equation we get

\[
\lim_{t \to \infty} y(t) \exp \left(-\alpha_0 t\right) = \infty.
\]

This means that \( y \in E_{\alpha} \) but \( y \notin E_{\beta} \) (\( \beta > \alpha \)).

3) If \( \alpha = \alpha_0 \) then from (2.8) we have \( y \notin E_{\alpha} \) but \( y \in E_{\alpha_0} \).

This completes the proof.

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