## EXISTENCE OF ABSTRACT SOLUTIONS OF INTEGRO-DIFFERENTIAL OPERATOR EQUATIONS

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Abstract. We consider the integro-differential operator equations having the form

$$
\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i u^{(i)}(t) - \alpha A u(t) + \beta \mu * u(t) = f(t) \quad t \in \mathbb{R},
$$

where the free term f belongs to a closed subspace M of  $L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}, X)$ , A is the generator of a  $C_0$ -semigroup of operators defined on a Banach space  $X$ ,  $\mu$ is a bounded Borel measure on R and  $\alpha, \beta, \alpha_i \in \mathbb{C}, i = 1, 2, \ldots, n$ . Certain conditions will be imposed to guarantee the existence of solutions in the class  $M_{\odot}$ 

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Many authors, e.g, Zhikov-Levitan [14] and Baskakov [6] gave criteria for almost periodicity (a.p.) of solutions of operator differential equations having the form

$$
(1.1) \t u'(t) - Au(t) = f(t), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}
$$

where f is (a.p.) from  $\mathbb R$  to a Banach space X and A is the generator of a  $C_0$ -semigroup. Others, like Staffans [16], gave criteria for almost periodicity (Sasymptotically almost periodic (S-a.a.p.)) of solutions of convolution equations having the form

$$
\mu * \phi(t) = f(t), t \in \mathbb{R}
$$

where f is a complex a.p (S-a.a.p.) and  $\mu$  is a bounded Borel measure on R. Here

$$
\mu * \phi(t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \phi(t - s) d\mu(s), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.
$$

A continuous function from  $\mathbb R$  to a Banach space X is called (a.p.) if the set of translates  $\{f_w : w \in \mathbb{R}\}\$ is relatively compact in  $C_b(\mathbb{R},X)$   $(C_b(\mathbb{R},X))$  is the space of all continuous bounded functions from  $\mathbb R$  to X). It is well-known that an a.p. function is uniformly continuous bounded, i.e. belongs to  $C_{ub}(\mathbb{R}, X)$ , see [1], [10], [14]. The space of all almost periodic functions is denoted by  $AP(\mathbb{R}, X)$ . A function f is said to be S-a.a.p. if  $f = p+q$ , where p is a.p. and  $q \in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}, X)$ 

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such that  $\lim_{h \to \infty} ||f(t)|| = 0$ . The space of all S-a.a.p. functions is denoted by  $|t|\rightarrow\infty$  $S - AAP(\mathbb{R}, X)$ .

Throughout the paper, X is a complex Banach space with the norm  $\| \cdot \|$ . As usual  $L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R},X)$  denotes the Banach space of all essentially bounded measurable functions with the norm

$$
||f||_{\infty} = \underset{t \in \mathbb{R}}{\mathrm{ess sup}} ||f(t)||.
$$

A function f is called measurable if there exists a sequence of simple functions  ${f_n}$  such that  $f_n \to f$  a.e. with respect to the Lebesgue measure m. By a simple function it is meant a function of the form  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}$  $\frac{i=1}{i}$  $x_i \chi_{A_i}, x_i \in X$  and  $\chi_{A_i}$  is the characteristic function of the Lebesgue measurable set  $A_i$  with finite measure. Finally, M denotes a closed subspace of  $L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R},X)$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (P1) M is invariant under translations, i.e.  $\forall f \in M \ \forall s \in \mathbb{R}$   $(f_s \in M)$ , where  $f_s(t) = f(t + s).$
- (P2) M contains the constant functions.
- (P3) M is invariant under multiplication by characters, i.e.  $\forall f \in M \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  $(\check{\lambda} f \in M)$ , where  $\check{\lambda}(t) = e^{i\lambda t}$ .
- (P4)  $Au \in M$   $\forall A \in B(X)$   $\forall u \in M$ , where  $B(X)$  is the space of all linear bounded operators on X.

We can see that many spaces like  $AP(\mathbb{R}, X)$ ,  $AAP(\mathbb{R}, X)$ ,  $S-AAP(\mathbb{R}, X)$ ,  $AA(\mathbb{R}, X)$ ,  $AAA(\mathbb{R},X)$ ,  $S-AAA(\mathbb{R},X)$  and  $W(\mathbb{R},X)$  satisfy conditions (P1)-(P4), for definitions and properties see [11], [12], [1-16].

For a function  $u \in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}, X)$ , we set

$$
I_M(u) = \{ f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}) : f * u \in M \}
$$

and denote the  $M$ -spectrum of  $u$  by

$$
\sigma_M(u) = Z(I_M(u)) = \{ \gamma \in \mathbb{R} : \hat{f}(\gamma) = 0 \ \forall f \in I_M(u) \},
$$

where

$$
\hat{f}(\gamma) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t)e^{-i\gamma t} dt.
$$

In the case  $M = \{0\}, \sigma_M(u) = \sigma(u)$  is the well-known Beurling spectrum.

When  $M = AP(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C})$ , L. H. Loomis [15] proved that if  $u \in C_{ub}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C})$  and  $\sigma_{AP(\mathbb{R},\mathbb{C})}(u)$  (the set of all non-almost periodicity of u) is at most countable, then  $u \in AP(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C})$ . B. Basit generalized this theorem in [5] to a class of bounded uniformly continuous vector-valued functions defined on  $\mathbb R$  with certain properties satisfied by many known classes.

Some properties of the M-spectrum, was shown by A. E. Hamza and G. Muraz [12]. In that paper the following result [12, Theorem 4.2.2] was proved.

**Theorem 1.1.** If u is uniformly continuous, bounded, such that  $\sigma_M(u)$  is at most countable, and for every  $\lambda \in \sigma_M(u)$  the function  $e^{-i\lambda t}u(t)$  is ergodic, then  $u \in M$ .

This theorem plays an essential role in proving the existence of solutions in some classes  $M \subseteq L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}, X)$  for abstract functional equations defined on  $\mathbb{R}$ , with free terms in  $M$ . See the results obtained by A. E. Hamza [11] concerning the equations (1.1) and (1.2). We recall a function  $u \in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}, X)$  is called ergodic if there exists  $x \in X$  such that

$$
\lim_{T \to \infty} \|1/T \int_{0}^{T} (u_s - x) ds\|_{\infty} = 0.
$$

The space of all ergodic functions is denoted by  $E(\mathbb{R},X)$ . It is known that, see [12],

$$
AP(\mathbb{R}, X) \subset AAP(\mathbb{R}, X) \subset W(\mathbb{R}, X) \subset E(\mathbb{R}, X).
$$

This paper is devoted to the integro-differential operator equation

(1.3) 
$$
\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i u^{(i)}(t) - \alpha A u(t) + \beta \mu * u(t) = f(t) \quad t \in \mathbb{R},
$$

where the free term  $f \in M \cap C_{ub}(\mathbb{R}, X)$ , A is the generator of a  $C_0$ -semigroup of linear bounded operators  $(T(t))_{t\geq0}$  defined on X and  $\alpha, \beta, \alpha_i \in \mathbb{C}$ . We set

$$
sp(A,\mu) = \Big\{\lambda \in \mathbb{R} : \alpha A - \Big(\sum_{r=1}^n \alpha_r(i\lambda)^r + \beta \hat{\mu}(\lambda)\Big)I \text{ has no bounded inverse on } X\Big\}.
$$

Here,  $\hat{\mu}(\lambda) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-i\lambda t} d\mu(t)$ . Our aim is to show that if  $sp(A, \mu)$  is at most countable, then every solution  $u$  of equation (1.3) belongs to  $M$ , provided that the function  $e^{-i\lambda t}u(t)$  is ergodic for every  $\lambda \in sp(A,\mu)$ . In this case, u is said totally ergodic (see ref. on [10]) and the generated Banach space is denoted by  $TE(\mathbb{R}, X)$ .

When  $\alpha_n = \cdots = \alpha_2 = \beta = 0$  and  $\alpha_1 = \alpha = 1$ , we have  $isp(A, \mu) = sp(A) \cap i\mathbb{R}$ , where  $sp(A)$  is the usual spectrum of A, and we get the following result [11, Theorem II.3.6]:

**Theorem 1.2.** Suppose that  $sp(A) \cap i\mathbb{R}$  is at most countable. If u is a solution of equation (1.1) such that the function  $e^{-\lambda t}u(t)$  is ergodic for every  $\lambda \in sp(A) \cap i\mathbb{R}$ , then  $u \in M$ .

When  $\alpha_n = \cdots = \alpha_1 = \alpha = 0$  and  $\beta = 1$ , we have  $sp(A, \mu) = Z(\mu)$  and we get the following result [11, Theorem II.4.1]:

**Theorem 1.3.** If  $Z(\mu) = {\alpha \in \mathbb{R} : \hat{\mu}(\alpha) = 0}$  is at most countable, then every solution  $u \in C_{ub}(\mathbb{R}, X)$  of equation (1.2) belongs to M, provided that the function  $e^{-i\alpha t}u(t)$  is ergodic for every  $\alpha \in Z(\mu)$ .

When  $\alpha_n = \cdots = \alpha_2 = 0$  and  $\alpha = \beta = 0$ , the solution u of (1.3) is given by

$$
u(t) = \int\limits_0^t f(s) \, ds,
$$

we obtain Theorem  $(3.4)$  in [12]. When f is a.p., Kadets [13] proved that the integral  $u$  is a.p. when its range is weakly relatively compact in  $X$  and Levitan [14] proved that u is a.p. if  $\lim_{T\to\infty} \int_{-T}^{T} u(t+s) ds$  exists uniformly on R. Basit [4] extended Levitan's result for recurrent functions. C.Datry and G. Muraz [10] extended the result of Levitan to Banach G-modules.

## 2. The integro-differential operator equations

In the sequel we suppose that M is a closed subspace of  $L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}, X)$  satisfying  $(P1)-(P4)$ .

Consider the integro-differential operator equation

(2.1) 
$$
\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i u^{(i)}(t) - \alpha A u(t) + \beta \mu * u(t) = f(t), \quad t \in \mathbb{R},
$$

where the free term  $f \in M \bigcap C_{ub}(\mathbb{R}, X)$ , A is the generator of a  $C_0$ -semigroup of linear bounded operators  $(T(t))_{t\geq0}$  defined on X and  $\alpha, \beta, \alpha_i \in \mathbb{C}$ . We need the following lemmas in proving the main result

**Lemma 2.1.** Let A be a closed operator defined on  $D(A) \subseteq X$ . Suppose that  $u \in C_b(\mathbb{R}, X)$  such that its range  $R(u)$  is a subset of  $D(A)$ . Set  $v = u * \psi$ , where  $\psi \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$ . If  $Au \in C_b(\mathbb{R}, X)$ , then  $R(v) \subseteq D(A)$  and  $Av = Au * \psi$ .

*Proof.* At first, suppose that  $\psi$  is a continuous function with compact support  $[-T, T]$ . We have

$$
v(t) = \int_{-T}^{T} u(t-s)\psi(s) ds, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.
$$

Hence,  $v(t) = \lim_{n \to \infty} v_n(t)$   $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ , where  $v_n(t) = 1/n \sum_{i=1}^n$  $i=1$  $u(t - s_i)\psi(s_i)$ ,  $(\{s_i\}$  is a partition of  $[-T, T]$  with length  $1/n$ ). We have

$$
Av_n(t) = 1/n \sum_{i=1}^n Au(t - s_i)\psi(s_i)
$$

which tends to

$$
\int_{-T}^{T} Au(t-s)\psi(s) ds = Au * \psi(t)
$$

as  $n \to \infty$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . Since A is closed, then  $R(v) \subseteq D(A)$  and  $Av = Au * \psi$ . Now, suppose that  $\psi \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$ , there exists a sequence  $\{\psi_n\}$  of continuous functions

with compact support such that  $\|\psi_n - \psi\|_1 \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ . Let  $v_n = u * \psi_n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $v = u * \psi$ , by the first part,  $R(v_n) \subseteq D(A)$   $\forall n$  and  $Av_n = Au * \psi_n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $||u * \psi||_{\infty} \leq ||u||_{\infty} ||\psi||_1$ , then it is clear that  $||v_n - v||_{\infty} \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$  and  $||Av_n - Au * \psi||_{\infty} \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ . Again, Since A is closed, then  $R(v) \subseteq D(A)$  and  $Av = Au * \psi$ .  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 2.2.** Let A be a closed operator defined on  $D(A)$  which is dense in X. If  $v \in C_b(\mathbb{R}, X)$ , then there exists a bounded sequence of trigonometric polynomials  ${v_n}$  such that

(i)  $v_n \to v$  locally, i. e.  $v_n$  is uniformly convergent to v on every compat subset of  $\mathbb R$ 

(ii) the range  $R(v_n)$  of  $v_n$  is a subset of  $D(A)$  for every n.

*Proof.* We can see that if  $v \in C_b(\mathbb{R}, X)$ , [14], then there exists a bounded sequence of trigonometric polynomial  $\{u_n\}$  such that  $u_n \to v$  locally. Since  $D(A)$  is dense  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i$  by  $v_n = \sum$  $\lambda_{i,n}^{\circ} y_i$ , where  $\{y_i\} \subset$ in X, we can approximate  $u_n(t) = \sum$ i i  $D(A).$  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 2.3.** Suppose that A is a closed operator defined on  $D(A)$  which is dense in X such that  $sp(A) \neq \mathbb{C}$ . If v and  $Av \in C_b(\mathbb{R}, X)$ , then there exists a bounded sequence of trigonometric polynomials  $\{v_n\}$  such that

- (i)  $v_n \to v$  locally and  $R(v_n) \subseteq D(A)$ .
- (ii)  $Av_n \to Av$  locally.

*Proof.* Since both of v and Av belong to  $C_b(\mathbb{R},X)$ , there exist two bounded sequences of trigonometric polynomials  $\{u_n\}$  and  $\{\theta_n\}$  such that

- (1)  $u_n \to v$  locally and  $R(u_n) \subset D(A)$ .
- (2)  $\theta_n \to Av$  locally and  $R(\theta_n) \subset D(A)$ .

Since  $sp(A) \neq \mathbb{C}$ , there exists  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $(A - \lambda I)^{-1}$  exists as a bounded operator on  $X$ . We have

(1) 
$$
(A - \lambda I)^{-1} \theta_n \to (A - \lambda I)^{-1} A v = v + \lambda (A - \lambda I)^{-1} v \text{ locally }.
$$

Also we have

(2) 
$$
\lambda (A - \lambda I)^{-1} u_n \to \lambda (A - \lambda I)^{-1} v \text{ locally.}
$$

Putting  $v_n = (A - \lambda I)^{-1}(\theta_n - \lambda u_n)$ , we get by (1) and (2) that  $v_n \to v$  locally. Now, we show that  $Av_n \to Av$  locally. Indeed, we have

$$
Av_n = A(A - \lambda I)^{-1}(\theta_n - \lambda u_n)
$$
  
= 
$$
[I + \lambda (A - \lambda I)^{-1}](\theta_n - \lambda u_n).
$$

Hence  $Av_n \to Av$  locally.

**Lemma 2.4.** If  $v \in C_b(\mathbb{R}, X)$  is such that its spectrum  $\sigma(v)$  is a compact subset of an interval [a, b], then  $v \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}, X)$  and  $v^{(k)} \in C_b(\mathbb{R}, X)$   $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ . If in addition, A is a closed operator such that  $D(A)$  is dense in X,  $sp(A) \neq \mathbb{C}$ 

 $\Box$ 

and  $Av \in C_b(\mathbb{R}, X)$ , then for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a bounded sequence of trigonometric polynomials  $\{v_n\}$  such that

- (i)  $\sigma(v_n) \subseteq [a \epsilon, b + \epsilon].$
- (ii)  $v_n^{(k)} \to v^{(k)}$  locally,  $k \in \mathbb{Z} \geq 0$ ,
- (iii)  $Av_n \to Av$  locally.

*Proof.* Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Choose  $\phi \in L^1(\mathbb{R}) \cap C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$  such that

- (1)  $\phi^{(k)} \in L^1(\mathbb{R}) \ \forall k.$
- (2)  $supp \hat{\phi} \subset [a \varepsilon, b + \varepsilon].$
- (3)  $\hat{\phi} = 1$  on  $[a \epsilon/2, b + \epsilon/2]$ .

We show now that  $v * \phi = v$ . Indeed, let  $h \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$ . Then

$$
(h * \phi - h\hat{)}(\alpha) = \hat{h}(\alpha)\hat{\phi}(\alpha) - \hat{h}(\alpha) = 0 \quad \forall \alpha \in [a - \epsilon/2, a + \epsilon/2].
$$

Thus, supp  $(h * \phi - h) \cap [a, b] = \emptyset$ , hence  $\sigma(v * (h * \phi - h)) = \emptyset$ . This implies that  $v * (h * \phi - h) = 0 \quad \forall h \in L^1(\mathbb{R}), \text{ i.e. } (v * \phi - v) * h = 0 \quad \forall h \in L^1(\mathbb{R}).$ Therefore,  $v * \phi = v$  and then  $v \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}, X)$  and  $v^{(k)} \in C_b(\mathbb{R}, X)$ . Since both v and Av belong to  $C_b(\mathbb{R}, X)$ , by Lemma 2.3 there exists a bounded sequence of trigonometric polynomials  $\{\psi_n\}$  such that

- (i)  $\psi_n \to v$  locally and  $R(\psi_n) \subseteq D(A)$ .
- (ii)  $A\psi_n \to Av$  locally.

Set  $v_n = \psi_n * \phi$ . We can see that  $\sigma(v_n) \subseteq [a - \varepsilon, a + \varepsilon]$ . Also,  $v_n \to v$  locally. We have  $\lim_{n\to\infty} v_n^{(k)} = \lim_{n\to\infty} \psi_n * \phi^{(k)} = v * \phi^{(k)} = v^{(k)}$  locally. Also we have  $Av_n = A\psi_n * \phi \,\forall n.$  Then  $\lim_{n \to \infty} Av_n = Av * \phi = A(v * \phi) = Av$  locally.

We denote

$$
sp(A,\mu) = \Big\{\lambda \in \mathbb{R} : \Big[\alpha A - \Big(\sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k (i\lambda)^k + \beta \hat{\mu}(\lambda)\Big)I\Big] \text{ has no bounded inverse on } X\Big\}.
$$

and

$$
P_{\lambda} = \left[ \alpha A - \left( \sum_{k=1}^{n} \alpha_k (i\lambda)^k + \beta \hat{\mu}(\lambda) \right) I \right]^{-1},
$$

where  $\lambda \notin sp(A, \mu)$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** If u is a solution of equation (2.1), then  $\sigma_M(u) \subseteq sp(A,\mu)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\lambda_0 \notin sp(A, \mu)$ , where  $\lambda_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $P_\lambda$  is analytic in a neighbourhood of  $\lambda_0$ , say  $[\lambda_0 - 4\alpha, \lambda_0 + 4\alpha]$ . Fix a function  $\phi \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$  such that

(i)  $\hat{\phi} \in C_c^{\infty}$  the space of all infinitely differentiable functions with compact support.

- (ii)  $\hat{\phi}(\lambda) = 1 \ \forall \lambda \in [\lambda_0 2\alpha, \lambda_0 + 2\alpha].$
- (iii)  $\text{supp}\,\hat{\phi} \subseteq (\lambda_0 4\alpha, \lambda_0 + 4\alpha).$

Define the function  $G : \mathbb{R} \to B(X)$  by

$$
G(\lambda) = \hat{\phi}(\lambda) P_{\lambda}.
$$

We see that

$$
G(\lambda) = \begin{cases} P_{\lambda}, & \text{if } \lambda \in [\lambda_0 - 2\alpha, \lambda_0 + 2\alpha], \\ 0, & \text{if } |\lambda - \lambda_0| \ge 4\alpha. \end{cases}
$$

Hence  $G$  is infinitely differentiable with compact support. Therefore,  $G$  is the Fourier transform of a continuous function  $F \in L^1(\mathbb{R}, B(X))$  (i.e.  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} ||F(t)||_{B(X)} dt <$  $\infty$ ). Let  $\psi \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$  be such that supp  $\hat{\psi} \subseteq [\lambda_0 - \alpha, \lambda_0 + \alpha]$  and  $\hat{\psi}(\lambda_0) = 1$ . Set  $v = u * \psi$  and  $g = f * \psi$ . We can see that v is a solution of the equation

$$
\sum_{k=1}^{n} \alpha_k v^{(k)}(t) - \alpha A v(t) + \beta \mu * v(t) = g(t), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.
$$

Since  $v^{(k)} \in C_b(\mathbb{R}, X)$ ,  $Av \in C_b(\mathbb{R}, X)$ . Since  $\sigma(v)$  is a compact subset of  $[\lambda_0 - \alpha, \lambda_0 + \alpha]$ , by Lemma 2.4 there exists a bounded sequence of trigonometric polynomials  $\{v_n\}$  such that

- (1)  $\sigma(v_n) \subseteq [\lambda_0 2\alpha, \lambda_0 + 2\alpha] \forall n$ .
- (2)  $v_n \to v$  locally.
- (3)  $Av_n \to Av$  locally.
- (4)  $v_n^{(k)} \to v^{(k)}$  locally.

Putting  $g_n = \sum_{n=1}^n$  $k=1$  $\alpha_k v_n^{(k)} - \alpha A v_n + \beta \mu * v_n, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we get  $g_n \to g$  locally . Now, we prove that  $v_n(t) = -\int_{\mathbb{R}} F(s)g_n(t-s) ds$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . Fix  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we write  $v_n$  in the form

$$
v_n(t) = \sum_{k=1}^n P_{\lambda_k} a_k e^{i\lambda_k t}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R},
$$

where  $\{\lambda_k\} \subseteq [\lambda_0 - 2\alpha, \lambda_0 + 2\alpha]$  and  $\{a_k\} \subset X$ . A simple calculation shows that

$$
\sum_{k=1}^{n} \alpha_k v_n^{(k)}(t) - \alpha A v_n(t) + \beta \mu * v_n(t) = -\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k e^{i\lambda_k t}.
$$

Hence  $g_n(t) = -\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}$  $k=1$  $a_k e^{i\lambda_k t}, n \in \mathbb{N}, t \in \mathbb{R}$ . We have

$$
\int_{\mathbb{R}} F(s)g_n(t-s) ds = -\sum e^{i\lambda_k t} \int_{\mathbb{R}} F(s)e^{-i\lambda_k s} ds a_k
$$

$$
= -\sum e^{i\lambda_k t} \hat{F}(\lambda_k) a_k
$$

$$
= -\sum e^{i\lambda_k t} P_{\lambda_k} a_k
$$

$$
= -v_n(t), \qquad n \in \mathbb{N}, \ t \in \mathbb{R}.
$$

Take the limit to obtain that  $v(t) = -\int_{\mathbb{R}} F(s)g(t-s) ds$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . Now we show that  $v \in M$ . Define the function  $h : \mathbb{R} \to M$  by  $h(s) = F(s)g_{-s}$ ,  $(g \in M$  from Lemma 4.1.2.in [12], see also [5]). The function  $h$  is continuous. Indeed, fix  $s_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that for every  $s \in (s_0 - \delta, s_0 + \delta)$ 

$$
||F(s) - F(s_0)||_{B(X)} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2||g||_{\infty}}
$$
 and  $||g_{-s} - g_{-s_0}||_{\infty} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2||F(s_0)||_{B(X)}}$ .

Hence we have

$$
||h(s) - h(s_0)||_{\infty} = ||F(s)g_{-s} - F(s_0)g_{-s_0}||_{\infty}
$$
  
\n
$$
\leq ||F(s)g_{-s} - F(s_0)g_{-s}||_{\infty} + ||F(s_0)g_{-s} - F(s_0)g_{-s_0}||_{\infty}
$$
  
\n
$$
< \frac{\varepsilon}{2||g||_{\infty}} ||g||_{\infty} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2||F(s_0)||_{B(X)}} ||F(s_0)||_{B(X)}
$$
  
\n
$$
= \varepsilon \qquad \forall s \in (s_0 - \delta, s_0 + \delta).
$$

Since  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} ||h(s)||_{\infty} ds < ||g||_{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}} ||F(s)|| ds < \infty$ , applying Bochner' theorem [17, p 133] we get  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} h(s) ds \in M$ . Therefore,  $v \in M$ , i.e  $u * \psi \in M$ , whence  $\lambda_0 \notin$  $\Box$  $\sigma_M(u)$ .

Now, we prove our main result concerning the integro-differential operator equation (2.1) which studies the conditions that guarantee the existence of solutions in M. For the case  $M = AP(\mathbb{R}, X)$  see [6], [14], [16].

**Theorem 2.2.** Suppose that  $sp(A, \mu)$  is at most countable. If u is a solution of equation (2.1) such that the function  $e^{-i\lambda t}u(t)$  is ergodic for every  $\lambda \in sp(A,\mu)$ , then  $u \in M$ .

*Proof.* Let  $u$  be a solution satisfying the condition of the Theorem. Hence, by Theorem 2.1, we get that  $\sigma_M(u)$  is at most countable. Therefore  $u \in M$  by  $\Box$ Theorem 1.1.

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