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ON A MULTI-POINT BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEM FOR HIGHER ORDER SINGULAR DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

Optimal sufficient conditions are found for the solvability and unique solvability of the boundary value problem

$$u^{(n)} = f(t, u, \dots, u^{(n-1)}), \quad (1)$$

$$u^{(i-1)}(t_0) = 0 \quad (i=1, \dots, n-1), \quad \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k u^{(k-1)}(a_k) + \sum_{k=1}^n \beta_k u^{(k-1)}(b_k) = 0. \quad (2)$$

Here $n \geq 2$, $a \leq a_k < t_0 < b_k \leq b$ ($k = 1, \dots, n$), $(-1)^{n-k} \alpha_k \geq 0$, $\beta_k \geq 0$ ($k = 1, \dots, n$), $\sum_{k=1}^n (|\alpha_k| + \beta_k) > 0$, and $f : I_{t_0} \times R^n \rightarrow R$ is a measurable in the first argument and continuous in the last n arguments function, $I_{t_0} = [a, b] \setminus \{t_0\}$. Moreover, the function f , generally speaking, is nonintegrable in the first argument on $[a, b]$ as it has the singularity at the point t_0 .

In particular, the following theorem is proved.

Theorem. *Let there exist measurable functions $g_k, \bar{g}_k : I_{t_0} \rightarrow [0, +\infty[$ and an integrable function $g : [a, b] \rightarrow [0, +\infty[$ such that*

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b |t - t_0|^{n-k} \bar{g}_k(t) dt &< +\infty \quad (k = 1, \dots, n), \\ \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{(n-k)!} \int_a^{t_0} (t_0 - t)^{n-k} g_k(t) dt &\leq 1, \\ \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{(n-k)!} \int_{t_0}^b (t - t_0)^{n-k} g_k(t) dt &\leq 1, \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

and on the set $I_{t_0} \times R^n$ the following inequalities are satisfied:

$$\begin{aligned} f(t, x_1, \dots, x_n) \operatorname{sgn}[(t - t_0)^{n-1} x_1] &\geq - \sum_{k=1}^n g_k(t) |x_k| - g(t), \\ |f(t, x_1, \dots, x_n)| &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \bar{g}_k(t) |x_k| + g(t). \end{aligned}$$

Then problem (1), (2) has at least one solution.

Note that in the right-hand sides of inequalities (3) we cannot write down $1 + \varepsilon$ instead of 1 no matter how small $\varepsilon > 0$ would be.

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