

**SOME APPLICATIONS OF WEAKLY PICARD OPERATORS**

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*Dedicated to Professor Wolfgang W. Breckner at his 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary*

**Abstract.** In this paper we give some applications of weakly Picard operators theory to linear positive approximation operators, to difference equations with deviating argument and to functional-integral equations.

**1. Introduction**

Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $A : X \rightarrow X$  an operator. In this paper we shall use the following notations:

$$F_A := \{x \in X \mid A(x) = x\};$$

$$I(A) := \{Y \subset X \mid A(Y) \subset Y, Y \neq \emptyset\};$$

$$A^0 := 1_X, A^1 := A, \dots, A^{n+1} := A \circ A^n, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

By definition an operator  $A$  is weakly Picard operator (WPO) if the sequence of successive approximations,  $(A^n(x))_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges for all  $x \in X$  and the limit is a fixed point of  $A$ . If the operator  $A$  is WPO and  $F_A = \{x^*\}$ , then by definition the operator  $A$  is Picard operator (PO). For an WPO  $A$  we consider the operator  $A^\infty$  defined by

$$A^\infty : X \rightarrow X, \quad A^\infty(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A^n(x).$$

We have the following characterization of the WPOs.

**Theorem 1.1** (I. A. Rus [6], [7], [12]). *An operator  $A$  is WPO if and only if there exists a partition of  $X$ ,  $X = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda$ , such that*

$$(a) \quad X_\lambda \in I(A), \quad \forall \lambda \in \Lambda;$$

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(b)  $A|_{X_\lambda} : X_\lambda \rightarrow X_\lambda$  is PO,  $\forall \lambda \in \Lambda$ .

The aim of this paper is to give some applications of this theorem.

## 2. Iterates of two variables Bernstein operator

Let  $\bar{D} = \{(x, y) \in R^2 \mid x, y \in R_+, x + y \leq 1\}$  and  $e_{ij} : \bar{D} \rightarrow R_+$  be defined by  $e_{ij} := x^i y^j$ ,  $i, j \in N$ .

Let us denote by  $\|\cdot\|_C$  the Chebyshev norm on  $C(\bar{D})$ .

In what follow we consider the two variables Bernstein operator (see D. D. Stancu [13])

$$B_n : C(\bar{D}) \rightarrow C(\bar{D}), \quad n \in N^*$$

defined by

$$B_n(f)(x, y) := \sum_{0 \leq i+j \leq n} \frac{n!}{i!j!(n-i-j)!} x^i y^j (1-x-y)^{n-i-j} f\left(\frac{i}{n}, \frac{j}{n}\right). \quad (2.1)$$

It is well known that ([13]):

$$e_{00}, e_{01}, e_{10} \in F_{B_n}, \quad n \in N^*.$$

We have

**Theorem 2.1.** *The operator  $B_n$  is WPO and*

$$B_n^\infty(f)(x, y) = f(0, 0) + [f(1, 0) - f(0, 0)]x + [f(0, 1) - f(0, 0)]y, \quad x, y \in \bar{D}; \quad f \in C(\bar{D}).$$

**Proof.** Let

$$X_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} := \{f \in C(\bar{D}) \mid f(0, 0) = \alpha, f(1, 0) = \beta, f(0, 1) = \gamma\},$$

$$f_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}(x, y) := \alpha + (\beta - \alpha)x + (\gamma - \alpha)y, \quad x, y \in \bar{D},$$

for all  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in R$ .

We remark that

- (i)  $X_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}$  is a closed subset of  $C(\bar{D})$ ;
- (ii)  $X_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}$  is an invariant subset of  $B_n$ , for all  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in R$  and  $n \in N^*$ ;
- (iii)  $C(\bar{D}) = \bigcup_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in R} X_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}$  is a partition of  $C(\bar{D})$ ;
- (iv)  $f_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} \in X_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} \cap F_{B_n}$ .

Now we prove that

$$B_n|_{X_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}} : X_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} \rightarrow X_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$$

is a contraction for all  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in R$  and  $n \in N^*$ .

Let  $f, g \in X_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$ . From (2.1) we have

$$\begin{aligned} |B_n(f)(x, y) - B_n(g)(x, y)| &= |B_n(f - g)(x, y)| \leq \\ &\leq |1 - (1 - x - y)^n - x^n - y^n| \cdot \|f - g\|_C \leq \\ &\leq \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}\right) \|f - g\|_C, \quad \forall x, y \in \bar{D}. \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\|B_n(f) - B_n(g)\|_C \leq \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}\right) \|f - g\|_C, \quad \forall f, g \in X_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma};$$

i.e.,  $B_n|_{X_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}$  is a contraction for all  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in R$ .

From the contraction principle  $f_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$  is the unique fixed point of  $B_n$  in  $X_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$  and that  $B_n|_{X_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}$  is a PO.

From the Theorem 1.1 the proof follows.

**Remark 2.1.** For the one dimensional case see I. A. Rus [10], [11], [12] and O. Agratini and I. A. Rus [1]. See also R.P. Kelisky and T.J. Rivlin [4].

**Remark 2.2.** The case  $\bar{D} = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  (see P. L. Butzer [3]) will be presented elsewhere.

**Remark 2.3.** A similar result for Bernstein operators on a simplex we have.

### 3. Difference equations in $C([0, 1], X)$

Let  $X$  be a Banach space. We denote by  $\|\cdot\|_C$  the Chebyshev norm on  $C([0, 1], X)$ . Let  $h \in C([0, 1] \times X \times X, X)$  and  $g \in C([0, 1] \times X, X)$  be two operators. In what follow we consider the following difference equation with deviating argument, in  $C([0, 1], X)$ ,

$$x_{n+1}(t) = h(t, x_n(t), x_n(0)) + g(t, x_n(t)), \quad t \in [0, 1], \quad n \in N^* \quad (3.1)$$

For to study this equation we consider the operator

$$A : C([0, 1], X) \rightarrow C([0, 1], X)$$

$$A(x)(t) := h(t, x(t), x(0)) + g(t, x(t)).$$

We have

**Theorem 3.1.** *We suppose that*

- (i)  $h(0, \lambda, \lambda) = \lambda, \forall \lambda \in X$ ;
- (ii)  $g(0, \lambda) = 0, \forall \lambda \in X$ ;
- (iii)  $g(t, \cdot)$  is an  $\alpha$ -contraction for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ ;
- (iv)  $h(t, \cdot, \lambda)$  is a  $\beta$ -contraction for all  $t \in [0, 1], \lambda \in X$ ;
- (v)  $\alpha + \beta < 1$ .

Then the operator  $A$  is WPO.

**Proof.** Let

$$X_\lambda := \{x \in C([0, 1], X) \mid x(0) = \lambda\}, \quad \lambda \in X.$$

Then

- (a)  $X_\lambda$  is a closed subset of  $C([0, 1], X)$ ;
- (b)  $X_\lambda \in I(A)$ , for all  $\lambda \in X$ ;
- (c)  $C([0, 1], X) = \bigcup_{\lambda \in X} X_\lambda$  is a partition of  $C([0, 1], X)$ .

From (i)-(v) we have that the restriction of  $A$  to  $X_\lambda$  is an  $(\alpha + \beta)$ -contraction.

By the Theorem 1.1 we have that the operator  $A$  is WPO.

Let  $x_\lambda^*$  be the unique fixed point of the operator  $A$  in  $X_\lambda$ . It is clear that  $\text{card}F_A = \text{card}X$ , and that  $F_A$  is the equilibrium solution set of the equation (3.1).

From the Theorem 3.1 we have

**Theorem 3.2.** *In the conditions of the Theorem 3.1, let  $(x_n)_{n \in N}$  be a solution of the equation (3.1). If  $x_0 \in X_\lambda$ , then  $x_n \in X_\lambda$ , for all  $n \in N$ . Moreover*

$$x_n \rightarrow x_\lambda^* \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

**Remark 3.1.** In the conditions of Theorem 3.1 the equilibrium solution  $x_\lambda^*$  is globally asymptotically stable relative to  $X_\lambda$ .

**Remark 3.2.** For the fixed point technique in the theory of difference equations see M. A. Şerban [14].

**Remark 3.3.** The following example is in the conditions of the Theorem 3.1:

$$x_{n+1}(t) = \frac{1}{2}t \sin x_n(t) + x_n(0), \quad n \in N$$

$$x_0 \in C[0, 1]$$

#### 4. Functional-integral equations

Let  $X$  be a Banach space  $f \in C([a, b] \times X, X)$  and  $K \in C([a, b] \times [a, b] \times X, X)$ . Consider the following functional-integral equation

$$x(t) = x(a) + \int_a^t f(s, x(s))ds + \int_a^t \int_a^s K(s, u, x(u))duds \quad (4.2)$$

$$t \in [a, b]; \quad x \in C([a, b], X)$$

Let  $X_\lambda := \{x \in C([a, b], X) \mid x(a) = \lambda\}$ ,  $\lambda \in X$  and  $A : C([a, b], X) \rightarrow C([a, b], X)$  defined by  $A(x)(t) :=$  second part of (4.1).

If we denote by  $S$  the solution set of the eq. (4.1) then  $S = F_A$ .

We remark that

- (a)  $X_\lambda$  is a closed subset of  $C([0, 1], X)$  for all  $\lambda \in X$ ;
- (b)  $X_\lambda \in I(A)$ ;
- (c)  $C([0, 1], X) = \bigcup_{\lambda \in X} X_\lambda$  is partition of  $C([0, 1], X)$ ;
- (d) if  $f(s, \cdot)$  is  $L_f$ -Lipschitz and  $K(s, u, \cdot)$  is  $L_K$ -Lipschitz for all  $s, u \in [a, b]$

then the restriction of  $A$  to  $X_\lambda$  is a contraction with respect to a suitable Bielecki's norm. More exactly if we denote

$$\|x\|_B = \max_{a \leq t \leq b} (\|x(t)\| e^{-\tau(t-a)})$$

then we have

$$\|A(x) - A(y)\|_B \leq \left( \frac{L_f}{\tau} + \frac{L_K}{\tau^2} \right) \|x - y\|_B, \quad \forall x, y \in X_\lambda; \quad \lambda \in X.$$

Let  $x_\lambda^*$  be the unique fixed point of  $A$  in  $X_\lambda$ . From the Theorem 1.1 it follows that the operator  $A$  is WPO and  $\text{card}F_A = \text{card}X$ .

So, we have

**Theorem 4.1.** *In the above conditions*

(1)  $\text{card}S = \text{card}X$

(2) the solution  $x_\lambda^*$  is globally asymptotically stable with respect to  $X_\lambda$ .

**Remark 4.1.** For other types of functional integral equations see R. Precup [5], I. A. Rus [8] and [9].

**Remark 4.2.** For other applications of the WPO see A. Buică [2], I. A. Rus [6], [7].

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