

ABSTRACT SEMILINEAR FUNCTIONAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS OF RETARDED TYPE

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Abstract. In this work, we study the problem of existence and uniqueness of solutions for some abstract semilinear functional differential equations of retarded type.

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1 Introduction

Abstract semilinear functional differential equations arise from many biological, chemical and physical systems which are characterized by both spatial and temporal variables and which various spatio-temporal patterns. However, most existing result on abstract functional differential equations are scattered through the research journals and these results have been obtained by using various methods concepts and results from the semigroup theory, the dynamical system theory, linear and nonlinear functional analysis, ordinary and partial differential equations, and functional differential equation. This makes it difficult for a new coner to enter into this important research field.

By an abstract semilinear functional differential equations, we mean an evolution systems described by

$$\frac{du(t)}{dt} = Au(t) + F(t, u_t), \text{ for } t \geq 0, \quad (1)$$

where $A : D(A) \subset E \rightarrow E$ is a linear operator on a Banach space E , F is E -valued nonlinear mapping defined on $C = C([-r, 0]; E)$ (the space of all continuous function on $[-r, 0]$ with the uniform norm topology), and $u_t \in C$ is defined by

$$u_t(\theta) = u(t + \theta), \text{ for } \theta \in [-r, 0],$$

τ is a positive constant.

Several classes of differential equations such as reaction diffusion equations