GALERKIN APPROXIMATIONS OF NONLINEAR DELAY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS WITH MULTIPLE DELAYS

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1. Introduction.

Points to be addressed:

- Can we deal with time-dependent coefficients in the linear part? Treat them as nonlinear term?

2. Preliminaries.

2.1. DDEs covered by the proposed approach.

We consider systems of nonlinear DDEs involving multiple discrete or distributed delays, either in the linear term or in the nonlinearity. Such DDEs can be put into the following form:

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\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x}(t)}{\mathrm{d}t} &= \boldsymbol{A}\boldsymbol{x}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^{p} \boldsymbol{B}_i \boldsymbol{x}(t-\tau_i) + \sum_{i=1}^{p} \boldsymbol{C}_i \int_{t-\tau_i}^{t} \boldsymbol{x}(s)\,\mathrm{d}s \\
&\quad + \boldsymbol{F}\left(t, \boldsymbol{x}(t), \boldsymbol{x}(t-\tau_1), \cdots, \boldsymbol{x}(t-\tau_p), \int_{t-\tau_1}^{t} \boldsymbol{x}(s)\,\mathrm{d}s, \cdots, \int_{t-\tau_p}^{t} \boldsymbol{x}(s)\,\mathrm{d}s\right),
\end{aligned} \tag{2.1}
$$

where the unknown function $\boldsymbol{x}$ is a d-dimensional vector; p is a positive integer, representing the total number of delays; the τ_i's are distinctive positive scalars arranged in ascending order; $\boldsymbol{A}$, $\boldsymbol{B}_i$, and $\boldsymbol{C}_i$ $(1 \le i \le p)$ are given $d \times d$ matrices; and $\boldsymbol{F} \colon \mathbb{R}^{2+2p} \to \mathbb{R}^d$ is a given continuous vector function.

In order to simplify the presentation, we first articulate our main contribution in a simple setting of a scalar DDE with a single discrete delay $\tau > 0$:

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}x(t)}{\mathrm{d}t} = ax(t) + bx(t-\tau) + F(x(t-\tau)), \tag{2.2}
$$

where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, and $F : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ is a given scalar function. Results for the general case of (2.1) is provided afterward in Section 4.

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- Explain in a short paragraph the main difficult compared with the case dealt with in [1].
- To cope with the difficulties, we restrict the initial data to C^2 functions. Refer to Section 4 for results about existence and regularity.
- Make sense of the variation of constants formula.

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It is appropriate to formulate this problem into the Hilbert space

$$
\mathcal{H} := L^2([-\tau, 0); \mathbb{R}) \times \mathbb{R}, \tag{2.3}
$$

where the inner product is defined for (f_1, γ_1), $(f_2, \gamma_2) \in \mathcal{H}$, as:

$$
\langle (f_1, \gamma_1), (f_2, \gamma_2) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} := \frac{1}{\tau} \int_{-\tau}^{0} f_1(\theta) f_2(\theta)\,\mathrm{d}\theta + \gamma_1 \gamma_2. \tag{2.4}
$$

Let us denote by x_t the time evolution of the history segments of a solution to (2.2), i.e.,

$$x_t(\theta) := x(t+\theta), \qquad t \geq 0, \qquad \theta \in [-\tau, 0]. \tag{2.5}$$

Then by introducing

$$u(t) := (x_t, x_t(0)), \tag{2.6}$$

we can rewrite (2.2) as the following abstract ODE on $\mathcal{H}$:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}u}{\mathrm{d}t} = \mathcal{A}u + \mathcal{F}(u). \tag{2.7}$$

The linear operator $\mathcal{A} : D(\mathcal{A}) \to \mathcal{H}$ is defined by

$$[\mathcal{A}\Psi](\theta) := \begin{cases} \dfrac{\mathrm{d}^+\Psi^D}{\mathrm{d}\theta}, & \theta \in [-\tau, 0), \\ a\Psi^S + b\Psi^D(-\tau), & \theta = 0, \end{cases} \tag{2.8}$$

for any $\Psi = (\Psi^D, \Psi^S)$ that lives in the domain, $D(\mathcal{A})$, defined as

$$D(\mathcal{A}) := \left\{ \Psi \in \mathcal{H} : \Psi^D \in H^1([-\tau, 0); \mathbb{R}^d), \lim_{\theta \to 0^-} \Psi^D(\theta) = \Psi^S \right\}. \tag{2.9}$$

The nonlinear operator $\mathcal{F} : \mathcal{H} \to \mathcal{H}$ is defined by

$$[\mathcal{F}(\Psi)](\theta) := \begin{cases} 0, & \theta \in [-\tau, 0), \\ F\left(\Psi^D(-\tau)\right), & \theta = 0, \end{cases} \qquad \forall\, \Psi = (\Psi^D, \Psi^S) \in \mathcal{H}. \tag{2.10}$$

2.2. Properties and Basic Results of Koornwinder Polynomials. From [3, Eq. (2.1)], the sequence of Koornwinder polynomials $\{K_n\}$ can be built from the Legendre polynomials L_n by

$$K_n(s) := -(1+s)\frac{d}{\mathrm{d}s}L_n(s) + (n^2+n+1)L_n(s), \quad s \in [-1, 1],\ n \in \mathbb{N}_0. \tag{2.11}$$

Furthermore, we reproduce from [1, Prop. 3.1] some simple properties that $\{K_n\}$ satisfy.

Proposition 2.1. *The polynomial K_n defined in (2.11) is of degree n and admits the following expansion in terms of the Legendre polynomials:*

$$K_n(s) = -\sum_{j=0}^{n-1}(2j+1)L_j(s) + (n^2+1)L_n(s), \qquad n \in \mathbb{N}_0; \tag{2.12}$$

and the following normalization property holds:

$$K_n(1) = 1, \qquad n \in \mathbb{N}_0. \tag{2.13}$$

Moreover, the sequence given by

$$\{\mathcal{K}_n := (K_n, K_n(1)) : n \in \mathbb{N}_0\} \tag{2.14}$$

forms an orthogonal basis of the product space

$$\mathcal{E} := L^2([-1,1);\mathbb{R}) \times \mathbb{R}, \tag{2.15}$$

where $\mathcal{E}$ is endowed with the following inner product:

$$\langle (f,a),(g,b)\rangle_{\mathcal{E}} = \frac{1}{2}\int_{-1}^{1} f(s)g(s)\,\mathrm{d}s + ab, \quad (f,a),(g,b) \in \mathcal{E}. \tag{2.16}$$

Finally, $\left\{\frac{\mathcal{K}_n}{\|\mathcal{K}_n\|_{\mathcal{E}}}\right\}$ forms a Hilbert basis of $\mathcal{E}$ where the norm $\|\mathcal{K}_n\|_{\mathcal{E}}$ of $\mathcal{K}_n$ induced by $\langle\cdot,\cdot\rangle_{\mathcal{E}}$ possesses the following analytic expression:

$$\|\mathcal{K}_n\|_{\mathcal{E}} = \sqrt{\frac{(n^2+1)((n+1)^2+1)}{2n+1}}, \qquad n \in \mathbb{N}_0. \tag{2.17}$$

Suppose that Π_N is the N-dimensional standard projection into $\operatorname{span}\{\mathcal{K}_n : n \le N\} \subset \mathcal{E}$. It will be relevant to discuss when we have convergence of $[\Pi_N u]^D$ for $u \in \mathcal{E}$. In particular, we will focus on uniform convergence.

Proposition 2.2. *Let $f \in \mathcal{C}^2([-1,1];\mathbb{R})$ and denote $\psi = (f, f(0)) \in \mathcal{E}$. Then the series*

$$[\Pi_N \psi]^D = \sum_{n=0}^{N} \frac{\langle \psi, \mathcal{K}_n\rangle_{\mathcal{E}}}{\|\mathcal{K}_n\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2} K_n \tag{2.18}$$

converges uniformly to f.

See Appendix A for a proof.

It will also be necessary to prove certain properties of the series of Koornwinder polynomials

$$S_N(x) := \sum_{n=0}^{N} \frac{K_n}{\|\mathcal{K}_n\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2}, \quad N \in \mathbb{N}_0,\ x \in [-1,1]. \tag{2.19}$$

If we were to denote $\psi = (0,1) \in L^2([-1,1)) \times \mathbb{R}$, then S_N would simply be the functional part of $\Pi_N \psi$. The following lemma allows us to express S_N in terms of Legendre Polynomials. Now that we have this expression, we can prove the properties of S_N that will be useful when showing the main result.

Lemma 2.1. *The functions S_N defined in (2.19) can be expressed as*

$$S_N(x) = \frac{1}{(N+1)^2+1}\sum_{n=0}^{N}(2n+1)L_n, \quad x \in [-1,1]. \tag{2.20}$$

Moreover,

$$|S_N(x)| < 1, \quad \forall N \in \mathbb{N}_0,\ \forall x \in [-1,1], \tag{2.21}$$

and

$$\lim_{N\to\infty} S_N(x) = 0, \quad \forall x \in (-1,1). \tag{2.22}$$

See Appendix A for a proof.

Remark 2.1. *It can easily be shown that $\lim_{N\to\infty} S_N(-1) = 0$ and $\lim_{N\to\infty} S_N(1) = 1$, which both follow from the expression (2.20) when evaluated at ± 1. However, for our main results we need only that $S_N \to 0$ almost everywhere on $[-1,1]$. Therefore we omit the proof of this.*

2.3. The Space X. We define the following inner product space with elements in

$$X := \mathcal{C}^+([-\tau, 0); \mathbb{R}) \times \mathbb{R}, \tag{2.23}$$

where $\mathcal{C}^+([-\tau, 0))$ denotes the set of bounded right-continuous functions on the interval $[-\tau, 0)$, and the inner product defined by

$$(\Phi, \Psi)_X := \Phi^S \Psi^S + \frac{1}{\tau}(\Phi^D, \Psi^D)_{L^2([-\tau,0)} + \Phi^D(-\tau)\Psi^D(-\tau), \quad \Phi, \Psi \in X. \tag{2.24}$$

Note that this is defined since if $f \in C^+([-\tau, 0)$ then $f \in L^2([-\tau, 0)$. It is relatively straight-forward to verify that $(\cdot, \cdot)_X$ is symmetric, bilinear, and positive definite and thus is an inner product. We will also make use of the norm $\|\cdot\|_X$ induced from this inner product. Note that X is **not** a Banach space since Cauchy sequences might not converge in X.

From [2, Thm. 2.4.1], if $u_0 \in X$, then the solution $x(t)$ of (2.2) with initial conditions u_0^D and u_0^S is continuous on $[0, \infty)$. Therefore, x_t is in $\mathcal{C}^+([-\tau, 0))$ for any $t \in [0, \infty)$. This gives that $T(t)u_0 = (x_t, x_t(0)) \in X$ and that $T(t)$ maps X into X. Similarly, we have that Π_N maps $X \subseteq \mathcal{H}$ into $\mathcal{H}_N$ and $T_N(t)$ maps $\mathcal{H}_N$ into $\mathcal{H}_N$. Hence $T_N(t)\Pi_N$ maps X into $\mathcal{H}_N$, which is a subset of X.

We summarize these results in the following lemma.

LEMMA 2.2. *For any $t \geq 0$, the operators $T(t)$ and $T_N(t)\Pi_N$ map X into itself.*

3. Uniform Convergence of Galerkin Solutions.

3.1. Pointwise Convergence in X. It will be helpful to prove a lemma.

LEMMA 3.1. *There is $C > 0$ such that for any $N \in \mathbb{N}_0$.*

$$\|T_N(t-s)\Pi_N(\mathcal{F}(u(s)) - \mathcal{F}(u_N(s)))\|_X \leq C\|u(s) - u_N(s)\|_X, \tag{3.1}$$

where $t \in [0, T]$ and $s \in [0, t]$.

Proof. We have that

$$\begin{aligned} \|T_N(t-s)\Pi_N(\mathcal{F}(u(s)) - \mathcal{F}(u_N(s)))\|_X^2 &= \|T_N(t-s)\Pi_N(\mathcal{F}(u(s)) - \mathcal{F}(u_N(s)))\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2 \\ &\quad + \left|[T_N(t-s)\Pi_N(\mathcal{F}(u(s)) - \mathcal{F}(u_N(s)))]^D(-\tau)\right|^2. \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

Note that for the first term on the right-hand side of (3.2), we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \|T_N(t-s)\Pi_N(\mathcal{F}(u(s)) - \mathcal{F}(u_N(s)))\|_{\mathcal{H}} &\leq Me^{\omega(t-s)}\|\mathcal{F}(u(s)) - \mathcal{F}(u_N(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}} \\ &\leq Me^{\omega T}\|\mathcal{F}(u(s)) - \mathcal{F}(u_N(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}} \\ &= Me^{\omega T}\left|f([u(s)]^D(-\tau)) - f([u_N(s)]^D(-\tau))\right| \\ &\leq \mathrm{Lip}(F)Me^{\omega T}\left|[u(s)]^D(-\tau) - [u_N(s)]^D(-\tau)\right| \\ &\leq \mathrm{Lip}(F)Me^{\omega T}\|u(s) - u_N(s)\|_X. \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

For the second term on the right-hand side of (3.2), we consider first the case when $t - s \geq \tau$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \left|[T_N(t-s)\Pi_N(\mathcal{F}(u(s)) - \mathcal{F}(u_N(s)))]^D(-\tau)\right| &\leq \|T_N(t-s-\tau)\Pi(\mathcal{F}(u(s)) - \mathcal{F}(u_N(s)))\|_{\mathcal{H}} \\ &\leq Me^{\omega T}\|\mathcal{F}(u(s)) - \mathcal{F}(u_N(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}} \\ &\leq \mathrm{Lip}(F)Me^{\omega T}\|u(s) - u_N(s)\|_X. \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

Now consider the case when $t-s<\tau$. So we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
\left|[T_N(t-s)\Pi_N(\mathcal{F}(u(s))-\mathcal{F}(u_N(s)))]^D(-\tau)\right| &= \left|[\Pi_N(\mathcal{F}(u(s))-\mathcal{F}(u_N(s)))]^D(t-s-\tau)\right| \\
&= \left|f([u(s)]^D(-\tau))-f([u_N(s)]^D(-\tau))\right|\cdot|S_N^\tau(t-s-\tau)| \\
&\le \mathrm{Lip}(F)\left|[u(s)]^D(-\tau)-[u_N(s)]^D(-\tau)\right| \\
&\le \mathrm{Lip}(F)\|u(s)-u_N(s)\|_X.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

Note that since $M\ge 1$ and $\omega T\ge 0$, so $\mathrm{Lip}(F)\le \mathrm{Lip}(F)Me^{\omega T}$. If we define

$$C := \sqrt{2}\cdot \mathrm{Lip}(F)Me^{\omega T} \tag{3.6}$$

and apply (3.3), (3.4), and (3.5) to (3.2), then we get that

$$\|T_N(t-s)\Pi_N(\mathcal{F}(u(s))-\mathcal{F}(u_N(s)))\|_X \le C\|u(s)-u_N(s)\|_X. \tag{3.7}$$ ∎

We introduce the following definitions:

$$\begin{aligned}
r_N(t) &:= \|u(t)-u_N(t)\|_X, \\
\epsilon_N(t) &:= \|T(t)u_0 - T_N(t)\Pi_N u_0\|_X, \\
d_N(t,s) &:= \|\left(T(t-s)-T_N(t-s)\Pi_N\right)\mathcal{F}(u(s))\|_X.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.8}$$

One can apply the variation-of-constants formula and the above definitions to get that

$$\begin{aligned}
r_N(t) &\le \epsilon_N(t) + \int_0^t d_N(t,s)\,\mathrm{d}s + \int_0^t \|T_N(t-s)\Pi_N\big(\mathcal{F}(u(s))-\mathcal{F}(u_N(s))\big)\|_X\,\mathrm{d}s \\
&\le \epsilon_N(t) + \int_0^t d_N(t,s)\,\mathrm{d}s + C\int_0^t r_N(s)\,\mathrm{d}s.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.9}$$

Applying Grönwall's inequality to (3.9) gives

$$\begin{aligned}
r_N(t) &\le \left[\epsilon_N(t)+\int_0^t d_N(t,s)\,\mathrm{d}s\right] + \int_0^t Ce^{C(t-s)}\left[\epsilon_N(s)+\int_0^s d_N(s,r)\,\mathrm{d}r\right]\mathrm{d}s \\
&\le \left[\epsilon_N(t)+\int_0^t d_N(t,s)\,\mathrm{d}s\right] + Ce^{CT}\int_0^t \left[\epsilon_N(s)+\int_0^s d_N(s,r)\,\mathrm{d}r\right]\mathrm{d}s.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

We wish to show that $r_N(t)\to 0$ as $N\to\infty$ for each fixed $t\in[0,T]$. To this end, we show that each term on the right-hand side of (3.10) converges to 0 as $N\to\infty$ and $t\in[0,T]$ fixed. The following propositions will show this.

PROPOSITION 3.1. *For fixed $t\in[0,T]$,*

$$\epsilon_N(t)\to 0 \text{ and } \int_0^t \epsilon_N(s)\,\mathrm{d}s \to 0 \tag{3.11}$$

as $N\to\infty$.

Proof. From the definition of the X norm, we have that

$$\epsilon_N(t)^2 = \|T(t)u_0 - T_N(t)\Pi_N u_0\|^2_{\mathcal{H}} + |[T(t)u_0]^D(-\tau) - [T_N(t)\Pi_N u_0]^D(-\tau)|^2. \tag{3.12}$$

The first term on the right-hand side converges uniformly to 0 by the Trotter-Kato theorem. For the second case, we again consider the case when $t \geq \tau$. Here we can apply the Trotter-Kato theorem again to $\|T(t-\tau)u_0 - T_N(t-\tau)\Pi_N u_0\|^2_{\mathcal{H}}$ to get the term converges to zero. When $t < \tau$, the second term becomes

$$|u_0^D(t-\tau) - [\Pi_N u_0]^D(t-\tau)|^2 \tag{3.13}$$

which converges to 0 uniformly by Proposition 2.2. This gives that $\epsilon_N(t) \to 0$.

To show the other convergence, note that $\epsilon_N(s)$ converges pointwisely to 0 on $[0,t]$. Furthermore, we may uniformly bound $\epsilon_N(s)$ by again observing the equality (3.12) and applying the uniform bounds on $\|T_N(\cdot)\|_{\mathcal{H}}$ and on $[\Pi_N u_0]^D$. Then by the Bounded Convergence Theorem, we have $\int_0^t \epsilon_N(s)\,\mathrm{d}s \to 0$. ☐

Proposition 3.2. *For fixed $t \in [0,T]$,*

$$\int_0^t d_N(t,s)\,\mathrm{d}s \to 0 \text{ and } \int_0^t \int_0^s d_N(s,r)\,\mathrm{d}r\,\mathrm{d}s \to 0, \tag{3.14}$$

as $N \to \infty$.

Proof. We can again apply the definition of $\|\cdot\|_X$ to get that

$$\begin{aligned} d_N^2(t,s) = {} & \|\left(T(t-s) - T_N(t-s)\Pi_N\right)\mathcal{F}(u(s))\|^2_{\mathcal{H}} \\ & + |[T(t-s)\mathcal{F}(u(s))]^D(-\tau) - [T_N(t-s)\Pi_N\mathcal{F}(u(s))]^D(-\tau)|^2. \end{aligned} \tag{3.15}$$

For fixed t and s, the first term of the right-hand side converges to zero. For $t-s \geq \tau$ the second term will similarly converge to 0. For $t-s < \tau$, the second term will become

$$|0 - [\Pi_N\mathcal{F}(u(s))]^D(t-s-\tau)| = |f([u(s)]^D(-\tau))| \cdot |S_N(t-s-\tau)|, \tag{3.16}$$

which converges a.e. to 0 by (2.22). So for fixed t, $d_N(t,s)$ converges a.e. to 0 for $s \in [0,t]$. Furthermore, we can uniformly bound $d_N(t,s)$ by (2.21).Thus by the Bounded Convergence Theorem, we have $\int_0^t d_N(t,s)\,\mathrm{d}s \to 0$ as $N \to \infty$.

The second convergence follows by the observations that $\int_0^{\cdot} d_N(\cdot,r)\,\mathrm{d}r$ converges pointwise to 0 by our earlier work and can uniformly bounded on $[0,t]$. This allows us to apply the Bounded Convergence Theorem to get that $\int_0^t \int_0^s d_N(s,r)\,\mathrm{d}r\,\mathrm{d}s \to 0$ as $N \to \infty$. ☐

We may now state our result.

Theorem 3.3. *For $t \in [0,T]$,*

$$\lim_{N\to\infty} \|u(t) - u_N(t)\|_X = 0. \tag{3.17}$$

Proof. Apply propositions (3.1) and (3.2) to the inequality in (3.10). ☐

3.2. Uniform Convergence.

Lemma 3.2. *The following convergences hold:*

$$\lim_{N\to\infty}\int_0^T \left|[u_N(s)]^D(-\tau)-[u(s)]^D(-\tau)\right|^2\,\mathrm{d}s, \tag{3.18}$$

and

$$\lim_{N\to\infty}\int_0^T \|\mathcal{F}(u_N(s))-\mathcal{F}(u(s)\|_{\mathcal{H}}\,\mathrm{d}s=0. \tag{3.19}$$

Proof. Note that

$$\int_0^T \left|[u_N(s)]^D(-\tau)-[u(s)]^D(-\tau)\right|^2\,\mathrm{d}s\le\sum_{k=0}^{m}\int_{-\tau}^0 \left|[u_N(k\tau)]^D(\theta)-[u(k\tau)]^D(\theta)\right|^2\,\mathrm{d}\theta, \tag{3.20}$$

for m such that $T-\tau\le m\tau<T$. In other words,

$$\left\|[u_N(\cdot)]^D(-\tau)-[u(\cdot)]^D(-\tau)\right\|^2_{L^2([0,T];\mathbb{R})}\le\sum_{k=0}^{m}\left\|[u_N(k\tau)]^D-[u(k\tau)]^D\right\|^2_{L^2([-\tau,0);\mathbb{R})}. \tag{3.21}$$

It is a simple corollary of Theorem 3.3 that $\|[u_N(t)]^D-[u(t)]^D]\|_{L^2([0,T];\mathbb{R})}\to 0$ as $N\to\infty$ for any $t\in[0,T]$. This gives that the right side of (3.21) converges to 0 as $N\to\infty$, and thus the left side of (3.21) also converges to 0 as $N\to\infty$. This proves (3.18).

To prove the other convergence, note that

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^T \|\mathcal{F}(u_N(s))-\mathcal{F}(u(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}}\,\mathrm{d}s&=\int_0^T \left|f\left([u_N(s)]^D(-\tau)\right)-f\left([u(s)]^D(-\tau)\right)\right|\,\mathrm{d}s\\&\le \mathrm{Lip}(F)\int_0^T\left|[u_N(s)]^D(-\tau)-[u(s)]^D(-\tau)\right|\,\mathrm{d}s\\&=\mathrm{Lip}(F)\|[u_N(\cdot)]^D(-\tau)-[u(\cdot)]^D(-\tau)\|_{L^1([0,T];\mathbb{R})}.\end{aligned} \tag{3.22}$$

Noting that $L^2([0,T];\mathbb{R})$ is continuously embedded in $L^1([0,T];\mathbb{R})$ and applying (3.18) proves that (3.19) holds. ◻

Theorem 3.4. *The sequence of functions* $\{u_N\}_{N=0}^{\infty}$*, where*

$$u_N:[0,T]\mapsto\mathcal{H},\qquad N\in\mathbb{N}_0, \tag{3.23}$$

is uniformly equicontinuous.

Proof. Suppose $t_0,t_1\in[0,T]$ and $t_0\le t_1$. Denote $\delta:=t_1-t_0$. Applying the variation-of-constants formula, we have that for $N \in \mathbb{N}_0$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|u_N(t_0) - u_N(t_1)\|_{\mathcal{H}} \le\ & \underbrace{\|(T_N(t_0) - T_N(t_0+\delta))\Pi_N u_0\|_{\mathcal{H}}}_{\mathrm{I}(\delta,N)} \\
& + \underbrace{\left\| \int_0^{t_0} [T_N(t_0 - s) - T_N(t_0 + \delta - s)]\Pi_N \mathcal{F}(u_N(s))\,\mathrm{d}s \right\|_{\mathcal{H}}}_{\mathrm{II}(\delta,N)} \\
& + \underbrace{\left\| \int_{t_0}^{t_0+\delta} T_N(t_0 + \delta - s)\Pi_N \mathcal{F}(u_N(s))\,\mathrm{d}s \right\|_{\mathcal{H}}}_{\mathrm{III}(\delta,N)} .
\end{aligned} \tag{3.24}
$$

We show that for each of these terms, the dependence on δ and N can be separated.

I. We have that

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{I}(\delta, N) &= \|T_N(t_0)(I - T_N(\delta))\Pi_N u_0\|_{\mathcal{H}} \\
&\le Me^{\omega t_0}\|(I - T_N(\delta))\Pi_N u_0\|_{\mathcal{H}} \\
&= Me^{\omega t_0}\|(\Pi_N - T_N(\delta)\Pi_N)u_0\|_{\mathcal{H}} \\
&\le Me^{\omega t_0}\|(I - T_N(\delta)\Pi_N)u_0\|_{\mathcal{H}} \\
&\le Me^{\omega T}\|(I - T_N(\delta)\Pi_N)u_0\|_{\mathcal{H}} \\
&\le Me^{\omega T}\left[\|(I - T(\delta))u_0\|_{\mathcal{H}} + \|(T(\delta) - T_N(\delta)\Pi_N)u_0\|_{\mathcal{H}}\right] \\
&\le Me^{\omega T}\left[\|(I - T(\delta))u_0\|_{\mathcal{H}} + \sup_{t\in[0,T]} \|(T(t) - T_N(t)\Pi_N)u_0\|_{\mathcal{H}}\right].
\end{aligned} \tag{3.25}
$$

Now define the following functions:

$$
\mathrm{I}^*(\delta) := Me^{\omega T} \times \|(I - T(\delta))u_0\|_{\mathcal{H}} \tag{3.26}
$$

and

$$
\mathrm{I}^{**}(N) := Me^{\omega T} \times \sup_{t\in[0,T]} \|(T(t) - T_N(t)\Pi_N)u_0\|_{\mathcal{H}} \tag{3.27}
$$

Note that $\lim_{\delta\to 0^+} \mathrm{I}^*(\delta) = 0$ by the continuity of $T(t)$ and $\lim_{N\to\infty} \mathrm{I}^{**}(N) = 0$ by the Trotter-Kato theorem.

II. We have that

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{II}(\delta, N) &\leq \int_0^{t_0} \|(T_N(t_0 - s) - T_N(t_0 + \delta - s))\Pi_N \mathcal{F}(u_N(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}} \, \mathrm{d}s \\
&\leq Me^{\omega T} \int_0^{t_0} \|(I - T_N(\delta)\Pi_N)\mathcal{F}(u_N(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}} \, \mathrm{d}s \\
&\leq Me^{\omega T} \Bigg[\underbrace{\int_0^{t_0} \|(I - T_N(\delta)\Pi_N)\mathcal{F}(u(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}} \, \mathrm{d}s}_{A} \\
&\qquad + \underbrace{\int_0^{t_0} \|(I - T_N(\delta)\Pi_N)(\mathcal{F}(u_N(s)) - \mathcal{F}(u(s)))\|_{\mathcal{H}} \, \mathrm{d}s}_{B} \Bigg].
\end{aligned} \tag{3.28}
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From here, we can note that

$$
\begin{aligned}
A &\leq \int_0^T \|(I - T(\delta))\mathcal{F}(u(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}} \, \mathrm{d}s + \int_0^T \|(T(\delta) - T_N(\delta))\mathcal{F}(u(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}} \, \mathrm{d}s \\
&\leq \int_0^T \|(I - T(\delta))\mathcal{F}(u(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}} \, \mathrm{d}s + \int_0^T \sup_{t\in[0,T]} \|(T(t) - T_N(t))\mathcal{F}(u(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}} \, \mathrm{d}s,
\end{aligned} \tag{3.29}
$$

where both of these terms can easily be shown to converge to zero as $\delta \to 0$ and $N \to \infty$, respectively. Namely, we can apply the Lebesgue Dominated Convergence Theorem. Also note that

$$
B \leq (1 + Me^{\omega T}) \int_0^T \|\mathcal{F}(u_N(s)) - \mathcal{F}(u(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}} \, \mathrm{d}s, \tag{3.30}
$$

where the right-hand side converges to zero as $N \to \infty$ by (3.19). Now we set

$$
\mathrm{II}^*(\delta) := Me^{\omega T} \int_0^T \|(I - T(\delta))\mathcal{F}(u(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}} \, \mathrm{d}s \tag{3.31}
$$

and

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{II}^{**}(N) :=& Me^{\omega T} \Bigg[\int_0^T \sup_{t\in[0,T]} \|(T(t) - T_N(t))\mathcal{F}(u(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}} \, \mathrm{d}s \\
&\qquad + \left(1 + Me^{\omega T}\right) \int_0^T \|\mathcal{F}(u_N(s)) - \mathcal{F}(u(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}} \, \mathrm{d}s \Bigg].
\end{aligned} \tag{3.32}
$$

III. We have that

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{III}(\delta, N) &\leq \int_{t_0}^{t_0+\delta} \|T_N(t_0+\delta-s)\Pi_N \mathcal{F}(u_N(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}}\, \mathrm{d}s \\
&\leq Me^{\omega T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+\delta} \|\mathcal{F}(u_N(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}}\, \mathrm{d}s \\
&\leq Me^{\omega T} \left[\int_{t_0}^{t_0+\delta} \|\mathcal{F}(u(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}}\, \mathrm{d}s + \int_{t_0}^{t_0+\delta} \|\mathcal{F}(u_N(s)) - \mathcal{F}(u(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}}\, \mathrm{d}s \right] \\
&\leq Me^{\omega T} \left[\delta \times \sup_{t\in[0,T]} \|\mathcal{F}(u(t))\|_{\mathcal{H}} + \int_0^T \|\mathcal{F}(u_N(s)) - \mathcal{F}(u(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}}\, \mathrm{d}s \right].
\end{aligned} \tag{3.33}
$$

Note that $\sup_{t\in[0,T]} \|\mathcal{F}(u(t))\|_{\mathcal{H}}$ is finite since $\|\mathcal{F}(u(t))\|_{\mathcal{H}}$ is a continuous function. Now let

$$
\mathrm{III}^*(\delta) := Me^{\omega T} \delta \times \sup_{t\in[0,T]} \|\mathcal{F}(u(t))\|_{\mathcal{H}} \tag{3.34}
$$

and

$$
\mathrm{III}^{**}(N) := Me^{\omega T} \int_0^T \|\mathcal{F}(u_N(s)) - \mathcal{F}(u(s))\|_{\mathcal{H}}\, \mathrm{d}s. \tag{3.35}
$$

Clearly $\lim_{\delta\to 0^+} \mathrm{III}^*(\delta) = 0$. Also from (3.19) we have that $\lim_{N\to\infty} \mathrm{III}^{**}(N) = 0$.

Thus,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|u_N(t_0) - u_N(t_1)\|_{\mathcal{H}} &\leq \mathrm{I}(\delta, N) + \mathrm{II}(\delta, N) + \mathrm{III}(\delta, N) \\
&\leq [\mathrm{I}^*(\delta) + \mathrm{II}^*(\delta) + \mathrm{III}^*(\delta)] + [\mathrm{I}^{**}(N) + \mathrm{II}^{**}(N) + \mathrm{III}^{**}(N)].
\end{aligned} \tag{3.36}
$$

Let $\epsilon > 0$. We wish to choose $\delta > 0$ such that $\|u_n(t) - u_n(t')\|_{\mathcal{H}} < \epsilon$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ and $t, t' \in [0, T]$ with $|t - t'| < \delta$. Choosing δ^* small enough so that $\mathrm{I}^*(\delta^*) + \mathrm{II}^*(\delta^*) + \mathrm{III}^*(\delta^*) < \epsilon/2$ and N large enough such that $\mathrm{I}^{**}(N) + \mathrm{II}^{**}(N) + \mathrm{III}^{**}(N) < \epsilon/2$, we get that

$$
\|u_n(t) - u_n(t')\|_{\mathcal{H}} < \epsilon, \tag{3.37}
$$

where $|t - t'| < \delta^*$ and $n \geq N$. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ that are less than N, we pick $\delta_n > 0$ such that $\|u_n(t) - u_n(t')\|_{\mathcal{H}} < \epsilon$ for $|t - t'| < \delta_n$. This is possible since u_n is uniformly continuous on $[0, T]$. Let $\delta = \min\{\delta^*, \delta_0, \ldots, \delta_{N-1}\}$. Then δ satisfies the challenge from ϵ. This proves uniform equicontinuity. ∎

THEOREM 3.5. *For $T > 0$, we have that*

$$
\lim_{N\to\infty} \sup_{t\in[0,T]} \|u_N(t) - u(t)\|_{\mathcal{H}} = 0. \tag{3.38}
$$

Proof. The above result follows directly from Theorem 3.3 and Theorem 3.4. ∎

4. Uniform Convergence of Galerkin Solutions: System of DDEs case. Some points to be addressed:

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- Formulate a results about existence and regularity of solutions for the system of DDE (2.1).

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Appendix A. Proofs of preparatory Lemmas.

Proof of Proposition 2.2. We define for $f \in L^2([-1,1],\mathbb{R})$ the following:

$$a_n(f) := \frac{2n+1}{2} \int_{-1}^{1} f(x) L_n(x)\,\mathrm{d}x. \tag{A.1}$$

It is easy to show based on (2.12) we have for $\theta \in [-1,1]$

$$\begin{aligned} |K_n(\theta)| &\le (n^2+1)|L_n(\theta)| + \sum_{j=0}^{n-1}(2j+1)|L_j(\theta)| \\ &\le (n^2+1) + \sum_{j=0}^{n-1}(2j+1) \\ &= 2n^2+1, \end{aligned} \tag{A.2}$$

i.e., $\|K_n\|_\infty \le 2n^2+1$.

By the definition of $\langle\cdot,\cdot\rangle_{\mathcal{E}}$ and the Koornwinder polynomials, we have that for $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \psi, \mathcal{K}_n \rangle_{\mathcal{E}} &= \frac{1}{2}\int_{-1}^{1} f(x) K_n(x)\,\mathrm{d}x + f(1) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\left[-\int_{-1}^{1} f(x)(1+x)L_n'(x)\,\mathrm{d}x + (n^2+n+1)\int_{-1}^{1} f(x)L_n(x)\,\mathrm{d}x\right] + f(1). \end{aligned} \tag{A.3}$$

If we use integration by parts, we find that

$$-\int_{-1}^{1} f(x)(1+x)L_n'(x)\,\mathrm{d}x = -2f(1) + \int_{-1}^{1} f'(x)(1+x)L_n(x)\,\mathrm{d}x + \int_{-1}^{1} f(x)L_n(x)\,\mathrm{d}x. \tag{A.4}$$

Applying (A.4) to (A.3) gives that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \psi, \mathcal{K}_n \rangle_{\mathcal{E}} &= \frac{1}{2}\int_{-1}^{1} f'(x)(1+x)L_n(x)\,\mathrm{d}x + \frac{n^2+n+2}{2}\int_{-1}^{1} f(x)L_n(x)\,\mathrm{d}x \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\int_{-1}^{1} f'(x)(1+x)L_n(x)\,\mathrm{d}x + \frac{n^2+n+2}{2n+1}a_n(f). \end{aligned} \tag{A.5}$$

We can also note that by applying the Hoïlder inequality we get

$$\begin{aligned} \left|\int_{-1}^{1} f'(x)(1+x)L_n(x)\,\mathrm{d}x\right| &\le \|f'\|_\infty \left(\int_{-1}^{1}(1+x)\,\mathrm{d}x\right)^{1/2} \|L_n\|_{L^2} \\ &= \frac{4\|f'\|_\infty}{\sqrt{6n+3}}. \end{aligned} \tag{A.6}$$

Furthermore, from [5, Thm. 2.1] we have

$$|a_n(f)| \leq \frac{V_1}{n - \frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2n}}, \tag{A.7}$$

where $V_1 := \int_{-1}^{1} \frac{f''(x)}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \, \mathrm{d}x < \infty$. Thus,

$$|\langle \psi, \mathcal{K}_n \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}| \leq \frac{2\|f'\|_\infty}{\sqrt{6n+3}} + V_1 \sqrt{2\pi} \frac{n^2+n+2}{\sqrt{n}(4n^2+1)}, \tag{A.8}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{|\langle \psi, \mathcal{K}_n \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}|}{\|\mathcal{K}_n\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2} \|K_n\|_\infty &\leq \left[\frac{2\|f'\|_\infty}{\sqrt{6n+3}} + V_1 \sqrt{2\pi} \frac{n^2+n+2}{\sqrt{n}(4n^2+1)} \right] \times \left[\frac{(2n+1)(2n^2+1)}{(n^2+1)((n+1)^2+1)} \right] \\ &= O\left(\frac{1}{n^{3/2}} \right). \end{aligned} \tag{A.9}$$

By the Weierstrass M-test, the series (2.18) converges uniformly.

Note also that (2.18) is simply the functional part of the Koornwinder expansion of ψ in $\mathcal{H}$. So the series converges in $L^2([-1,1];\mathbb{R})$ to $\psi^D = f$. Therefore, since the series converges uniformly, it must converge uniformly to f. ◻

Proof of Lemma 2.1. Using (2.12), we can show that for $m \leq N \in \mathbb{N}_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^{1} S_N(x) L_m(x) \, \mathrm{d}x &= \sum_{n=0}^{N} \frac{1}{\|\mathcal{K}_n\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2} \int_{-1}^{1} K_n(x) L_m(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \\ &= \|L_m\|_{L^2([-1,1])}^2 \left[(m^2+1) \frac{1}{\|\mathcal{K}_m\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2} - (2m+1) \sum_{k=m+1}^{N} \frac{1}{\|\mathcal{K}_k\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2} \right], \end{aligned} \tag{A.10}$$

and so

$$S_N(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{N} \left[\frac{n^2+1}{\|\mathcal{K}_n\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2} - (2n+1) \sum_{m=n+1}^{N} \frac{1}{\|\mathcal{K}_m\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2} \right] L_n(x). \tag{A.11}$$

It is easy to show that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{N} \frac{1}{\|\mathcal{K}_n\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2} &= \sum_{n=0}^{N} \frac{2n+1}{(n^2+1)((n+1)^2+1)} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{N} \left[\frac{1}{n^2+1} - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2+1} \right] \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{(N+1)^2+1} \end{aligned} \tag{A.12}$$

and

$$\sum_{m=n+1}^{N} \frac{1}{\|\mathcal{K}_m\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2} = \sum_{m=0}^{N} \frac{1}{\|\mathcal{K}_m\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2} - \sum_{m=0}^{n} \frac{1}{\|\mathcal{K}_m\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2} = \frac{1}{(n+1)^2+1} - \frac{1}{(N+1)^2+1}. \tag{A.13}$$

Applying (A.13) to (A.11) gives

$$
\begin{aligned}
S_N(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{N} \left[\frac{n^2+1}{\|\mathcal{K}_n\|_{\mathcal{E}}^2} - (2n+1)\left(\frac{1}{(n+1)^2+1} - \frac{1}{(N+1)^2+1} \right) \right] L_n(x) \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{N} \left[\frac{2n+1}{(n+1)^2+1} - \frac{2n+1}{(n+1)^2+1} + \frac{2n+1}{(N+1)^2+1} \right] L_n(x) \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{N} \frac{2n+1}{(N+1)^2+1} L_n(x).
\end{aligned}
\tag{A.14}
$$

It is known that

$$
|L_n(x)| \le 1, \quad \forall x \in [-1,1],\ \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_0. \tag{A.15}
$$

Thus for $x \in [-1,1]$ and $N \in \mathbb{N}_0$

$$
\begin{aligned}
|S_N(x)| &\le \frac{1}{(N+1)^2+1} \sum_{n=0}^{N} (2n+1)|L_n(x)| \\
&\le \frac{1}{(N+1)^2+1} \sum_{n=0}^{N} (2n+1) \\
&= \frac{N^2+1}{(N+1)^2+1} \\
&< 1.
\end{aligned}
\tag{A.16}
$$

From [4, Thm. 61], we also have that for $n \ge 1$ and $x \in (-1,1)$

$$
|L_n(x)| < \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2n(1-x^2)}}. \tag{A.17}
$$

Then for $x \in (-1,1)$ and $N \in \mathbb{N}_0$

$$
\begin{aligned}
|S_N(x)| &\le \frac{1}{(N+1)^2+1} \left[1 + \sum_{n=1}^{N} (2n+1)|L_n(x)| \right] \\
&\le \frac{1}{(N+1)^2+1} \left[1 + 3\sum_{n=1}^{N} n \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2n(1-x^2)}} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{(N+1)^2+1} \left[1 + 3 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2(1-x^2)}} \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sqrt{n} \right].
\end{aligned}
\tag{A.18}
$$

We can note that

$$
\sum_{n=1}^{N} \sqrt{n} \le \int_1^{N+1} \sqrt{x}\,\mathrm{d}x = \frac{2}{3}(N+1)^{3/2} - \frac{2}{3}. \tag{A.19}
$$

So

$$|S_N(x)| \leq \frac{1}{(N+1)^2+1}\left[1+\sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{1-x^2}}\left((N+1)^{3/2}-1\right)\right], \tag{A.20}$$

where the right-hand side converges to 0 as $N \to \infty$ for fixed $x \in (-1,1)$. Thus $S_N(x) \to 0$ as $N \to \infty$ for $x \in (-1,1)$. ∎

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