

## SOLUTIONS OF SOME FUNCTIONAL EQUATIONS IN A CLASS OF GENERALIZED HÖLDER FUNCTIONS

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**Abstract.** The existence and uniqueness of solutions a nonlinear iterative equation in the class of  $r$ -times differentiable functions with the  $r$ -derivative satisfying a generalized Hölder condition is considered.

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### 1. Introduction

In [1, 2] the space  $W_\gamma[a, b]$  ( $W_\gamma^r[a, b]$ ) of  $r$  times differentiable functions with the  $r$ -the derivative satisfying generalized  $\gamma$ -Hölder condition was introduced and some of its properties proved. In the present paper we examine the existence and uniqueness of solutions of a nonlinear iterative functional equation in this class of functions. We apply some ideas from Kuczma [3], Matkowski [4, 5] (see also Kuczma, Choczewski, Ger [6]), where differentiable solutions, Lipschitzian solutions, bounded variation solutions of different type of iterative functional equations were investigated.

### 2. Preliminaries

Consider non-linear functional equation

$$\varphi(x) = h(\varphi[f(x)]) + g(x) \quad (1)$$

where  $f, g, h$  are given and  $\varphi$  is a unknown function.

We accept the following notation:  $I = [a, b]$ ,  $a, b \in R$ ,  $d := b - a$ ,  $W_\gamma(I)$  - is the Banach space of the  $r$ -time differentiable functions defined on the interval  $I$  with values in  $R$ , such that, for some  $M \geq 0$ ; its  $r$ -th derivative satisfies the following  $\gamma$ -Hölder condition

$$|\varphi^{(r)}(x) - \varphi^{(r)}(\bar{x})| \leq M\gamma(|x - \bar{x}|), \quad \bar{x}, x \in I.$$

where a fixed function  $\gamma$  satisfies the following condition (see [1, 2]):

$$(I) \gamma: [0, d] \rightarrow [0, \infty) \text{ is increasing and concave, } \gamma(0) = 0, \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \gamma(t) = \gamma(0), \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow d^-} \gamma(t) = \gamma(d), \gamma'_+(0) = +\infty$$

We assume that

- (i)  $f: I \rightarrow I$ ,  $f \in W_\gamma(I)$ ,  $\sup_I |f'| \leq 1$
- (ii)  $g: I \rightarrow R$ ,  $g \in W_\gamma(I)$
- (iii)  $h: R \rightarrow R$ ,  $h \in C^r$ ,  $h^{(r)}$  fulfils the Lipschitz condition in  $R$ .
- (iv) there exists  $\xi \in I$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n(x) = \xi$ ,  $x \in I$ , where  $f^n$  is the  $n$ -th iteration function  $f$
- (v) is analytic function at  $\eta_0$ , where  $\eta_0$  is the solution of equation  $\eta_0 = h(\eta_0) + g(\xi)$

We define functions  $h_k: I \times R^{k+1} \rightarrow R$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, r-1$  by the formula

$$\begin{cases} h_0(x, y_0) := h(y_0) + g(x) \\ h_{k+1}(x, y_0, \dots, y_{k+1}) := \frac{\partial h_k}{\partial x} + f'(x) \left( \frac{\partial h_k}{\partial y_0} y_1 + \dots + \frac{\partial h_k}{\partial y_k} y_{k+1} \right). \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

**Lemma 1.** [4]

By assumptions (i)-(iii),  $h_k$  defined by (2) are of the form:

1. for  $r = 1$

$$h_1(x, y_0, y_1) = h'(y_0)y_1f'(x) + g'(x); \quad (3)$$

2. for  $r \geq 2$ ,  $k = 2, \dots, r$

$$h_k(x, y_0, \dots, y_k) = p_k(x, y_0, \dots, y_{k-1}) + h'(y_0)y_k(f'(x))^k + \\ + h'(y_0)y_1f^{(k)}(x) + g^{(k)}(x), \quad (4)$$

where

$$p_k(x, y_0, \dots, y_{k-1}) + h'(y_0)y_k(f'(x))^k = \\ = \sum_{i=1}^k h^{(k-i+1)}(y_0) \sum_{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_i = k-i+1} u_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_i, k}(x) y_1^{\alpha_1} \dots y_i^{\alpha_i} \quad (5)$$

and  $u_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_i, k}(x)$  are of the class  $C^{r-k+1}$  in  $I$ , for all numbers  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_i \in N$  such that  $\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_i = k - i + 1$ ,  $k = 2, \dots, r$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, k$ .

**Remark 1.**

If (i)-(iii) are fulfilled, then  $h_r: I \times R^{k+1} \rightarrow R$ , given by

$$h_r(x, y_0, \dots, y_r) = h'(y_0)y_1f^{(r)}(x) + g^{(r)}(x) + \\ + \sum_{i=1}^r h^{(r-i+1)}(y_0) \sum_{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_i = r-i+1} u_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_i, r}(x) y_1^{\alpha_1} \dots y_i^{\alpha_i}$$

fulfill  $\gamma$ -Hölder condition for  $x \in I$  and Lipschitz condition with respect to  $y_i$ ,  $i = 0, \dots, r$  in  $Z := [a_0, b_0] \times [a_1, b_1] \times \dots \times [a_r, b_r]$ . It means, that there are positive constants  $m, l_0, \dots, l_{r-1}$  and

$$l_r = \sup_{I \times [a_0, b_0]} |h'(f')^r|,$$

such that for  $(x, y_1, \dots, y_r), (\bar{x}, \bar{y}_1, \dots, \bar{y}_r) \in Z$  we have

$$|h_r(x, y_0, \dots, y_r) - h_r(\bar{x}, \bar{y}_0, \dots, \bar{y}_r)| \leq m\gamma(|x - \bar{x}|) + l_0|y_0 - \bar{y}_0| + \dots + l_r|y_r - \bar{y}_r|.$$

Define the functions  $w_{r,i}: I \times R^i \rightarrow R$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$  by the following formulas:

$$w_{r,i}(x, y_1, \dots, y_i) := \sum_{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_i = r-i+1} u_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_i, r}(x) y_1^{\alpha_1} \dots y_i^{\alpha_i}. \quad (6)$$

**Remark 2.**

The functions  $w_{r,i}$  defined by (6) fulfill  $\gamma$ -Hölder condition with respect to variable  $x$  in  $I$  and Lipschitz condition with respect to the variable  $y_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, r$  in each set  $Z_i := [a_1, b_1] \times \dots \times [a_i, b_i]$ .

**Remark 3.**

If  $f, g, h$  satisfy the assumptions (i)-(iii) and  $\varphi \in \mathcal{W}_\gamma(I)$  is a solution of equation (1) then the derivatives  $\varphi^{(k)}$ ,  $k = 0, \dots, r$  satisfy the system of equations

$$\varphi^{(k)}(x) = h_k(x, \varphi[f(x)], \dots, \varphi^{(k)}[f(x)]), \quad x \in I.$$

If assumptions (i)-(iv) are fulfilled and  $\varphi \in \mathcal{W}_\gamma(I)$  is a solution of equation (1) in  $I$ , then the numbers

$$\eta_k = \varphi^{(k)}(\xi), \quad k = 0, \dots, r \quad (7)$$

satisfy the system of equations

$$\eta_k = h_k(\xi, \eta_0, \dots, \eta_k), \quad k = 0, \dots, r, \quad (8)$$

where  $h_k$  are defined by (2).

**Remark 4.**

Let  $\varphi \in \mathcal{W}_\gamma(I)$  be a solution of the equation (1). Present  $\varphi$  in the following form

$$\varphi(x) = P(x) + \psi(x - \xi), \quad x \in I = [a, b] \quad (9)$$

where  $\psi: [a - \xi, b - \xi] \rightarrow R$  and  $P(x) = \sum_{i=0}^r \frac{\eta_i}{i!} (x - \xi)^i$ ,  $x \in [a, b]$ .

Define the functions

$$\bar{f}(x) := f(x + \xi) - \xi, \quad x \in [a - \xi, b - \xi]$$

$$\bar{g}(x) := g(x + \xi), \quad x \in [a - \xi, b - \xi]$$

and for  $y \in R$ ,  $x \in [a - \xi, b - \xi]$

$$\bar{h}(x) := h(P[f(x + \xi)] + y) - P(x + \xi).$$

It follows from above definitions and equation (9) that  $\psi$  satisfies the following equation

$$\psi(x) = \bar{h}(\psi[\bar{f}(x)]) + \bar{g}(x), x \in [a - \xi, b - \xi].$$

It is easy to prove, that if assumptions (i)-(iv) are fulfilled and  $\eta_i, i = 0, \dots, r$ , are the solution of equations (8), then the function  $\varphi \in W_\gamma[a, b]$  satisfies the equation (1) in  $[a, b]$  and the condition (7) if and only if the function  $\psi$  given by (9) belongs to  $W_\gamma[a - \xi, b - \xi]$  and satisfies

$$\psi^{(k)}(0) = 0, k = 0, \dots, r.$$

Thus, we assume that  $0 \in I$  and consider the equation (1) whose solution satisfies the condition

$$\varphi^{(k)}(0) = 0, k = 0, \dots, r.$$

Then system of equations (8) takes the following form

$$h_k(0, \dots, 0) = 0, k = 0, \dots, r.$$

### 3. Main result

#### Theorem 1.

If assumptions (i)-(iii) are fulfilled,  $f$  is a monotone function in the interval  $I$ , the conditions (iv) and (v) are fulfilled for  $\xi = 0$ ,  $\eta_0 = 0$  and

$$h_k(0, \dots, 0) = 0, \quad k = 1, \dots, r; \tag{10}$$

$$|h'(0)(f'(0))^r| < 1 \tag{11}$$

then equation (1) has exactly one solution  $\varphi \in W_\gamma(I)$  satisfying the condition

$$\varphi^{(k)}(0) = 0, k = 0, \dots, r. \tag{12}$$

Moreover, there exists a neighbourhood  $U$  of the point  $\xi = 0$  and the number  $r_0$  such that for a function  $\varphi_0 \in W_\gamma(\bar{U})$ , satisfying the condition (12) and the inequality  $\|\varphi_0\| \leq r_0$ , a sequence of functions

$$\varphi_n(x) = h(\varphi_{n-1}[f(x)]) + g(x), \quad x \in \bar{U},$$

converges to a solution of (1) according to the norm in the space  $W_\gamma(\bar{U})$ .

*Proof.*

From (v) we have  $h(y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n y^n$  in some neighbourhood of the point 0. Denote by  $R_0$  the radius of convergence of this series. From (11) and from the continuity of functions  $(f')^r$  and  $h'$ , from definition of the function  $\gamma$  there exists a neighbourhood  $V$  of the point  $\xi = 0$  and  $d < R_0, 0 < \theta < 1$  such that

$$\sup_{\bar{V} \times [-d, d]} |h'(f')^r| \leq \theta, f(V) \subset V, \gamma(\text{diam } \bar{V}) \geq \text{diam } \bar{V}. \quad (13)$$

From Remark 1, definition of  $\gamma$  and from (13) there are positive constants  $m, l_0, \dots, l_{r-1}$ , and  $l_r = \theta$ , that in  $\bar{V} \times [-d, d]^{r+1}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} |h_r(x, y_0, \dots, y_r) - h_r(\bar{x}, \bar{y}_0, \dots, \bar{y}_r)| &\leq m\gamma(|x - \bar{x}|) + l_0|y_0 - \bar{y}_0| + \dots + \\ &+ \theta|y_r - \bar{y}_r|. \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

From Remark 2, definition of  $\gamma$  there are in  $Z_i = \bar{V} \times [-d, d]^i$  constants  $B_{i,0}, B_{i,k}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, r$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, i$ , such that

$$|w_{r,i}(x, y_1, \dots, y_i) - w_{r,i}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}_1, \dots, \bar{y}_i)| \leq B_{i,0}\gamma(|x - \bar{x}|) + \sum_{k=1}^i B_{i,k}|y_k - \bar{y}_k| \quad (15)$$

We accept the following notation:

$$W_i := \sup_{\bar{V} \times [-d, d]} |w_{r,i}|, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, r; \quad (16)$$

$$H_i := \sup_{\bar{V} \times [-d, d]} |h^{(i)}|, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, r + 1; \quad (17)$$

$$F := \sup_{\bar{V}} |f^{(r)}|; K \text{ is a } \gamma\text{-Hölder constant of } f^{(r)} \text{ in } \bar{V}; \quad (18)$$

$$C_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_i, r} := \sup_{\bar{V}} |u_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_i, r}|, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, r, \quad \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_i = r - i + 1; \quad (19)$$

$$D_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_i, r} := \sup_{\bar{V}} |u'_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_i, r}|, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, r, \quad \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_i = r - i + 1. \quad (20)$$

By  $\sum a_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_i r}$  we denote the sum of  $a_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_i r}$  for all  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_i \in N$  such that  $\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_i = r - i + 1$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$ .

In view of Lemma 1, we have

$$u_{0 \dots 0 1_i r} = (f')^r$$

and, from (13), we get

$$|h'(y)u_{0 \dots 0 1_i r}(x)| \leq \theta, \quad x \in \bar{V}, y \in [-d, d] \quad (21)$$

Let us take  $c_1 \in (0, b - a]$ ,  $c_1 \leq \gamma(c_1) \leq 1$  and

$$\gamma(c_1) \sum_{i=0}^{r-1} l_i c_1^{r-i-1} < 1 - \theta.$$

Put

$$r_0 := \frac{m}{1 - \theta - \gamma(c_1) \sum_{i=0}^{r-1} l_i c_1^{r-i-1}}. \quad (22)$$

Then let's take  $c_2 \in (0, b - a]$  such that  $c_2 \leq \gamma(c_2) \leq \min\{1, \frac{d}{r_0}\}$  and

$$\begin{aligned} l_0 := & H_1 F(\gamma(c_2))^{r-1} + H_2 F(\gamma(c_2))^{2r} + H_1 K(\gamma(c_2))^r + H_2 F r_0 (\gamma(c_2))^{2r} + \\ & + H_2 K r_0 (\gamma(c_2))^{2r+1} + F r_0 (\gamma(c_2))^{2r} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1)^2 |a_n| r_0^{n-2} (\gamma(c_2))^{(n-2)(r+1)} \\ & + (\gamma(c_2))^r \sum_{i=1}^r W_i \sum_{n=r-i+2}^{\infty} |a_n| n(n-1)(n-r+i-2)^2 r_0^{n-r+i-2} \\ & \cdot (\gamma(c_2))^{(n-r+i-2)(r+1)} + \\ & + (\gamma(c_2))^{r+1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^r H_{r-i+2} \left( B_{i,0} + 2r_0 \sum_{i=1}^i B_{i,k} (\gamma(c_2))^{r-k} \right) \right) + \\ & + \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} H_{r-i+1} \sum C_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_i r} r_0^{r-i} (\gamma(c_2))^{r\alpha_1 + \dots + (r-i+1)\alpha_i - 1} (r-i+1)^2 + \\ & + H_1 \sum C_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{r-1} 0, r} (\gamma(c_2))^{r\alpha_1 + (r-1)\alpha_2 + \dots + 2\alpha_{r-1} - 1} + \\ & + \sum_{i=1}^r H_{r-i+1} r_0^{r-i} (r-i+1) \sum D_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_i r} (\gamma(c_2))^{r\alpha_1 + \dots + (r-i+1)\alpha_i} < 1 - \theta. \quad (23) \end{aligned}$$

Choose  $c \leq \min\{c_1, c_2\}$ . Of course  $c \leq \gamma(c) \leq \frac{d}{r_0}$ . We will select a neighborhood of zero  $U \subset V$  such that  $f(U) \subset U$  and  $\text{diam} \bar{U} \leq c$ .

Consider the Banach space  $W_\gamma(\bar{U})$  with the norm:

$$\|\varphi\| := \sum_{k=0}^r |\varphi^{(k)}(0)| + \sup \left\{ \frac{|\varphi^{(r)}(x) - \varphi^{(r)}(\bar{x})|}{\gamma(|x - \bar{x}|)}; x, \bar{x} \in \bar{U}, x \neq \bar{x} \right\}.$$

Let us define the set

$$A_{r_0} := \{ \varphi \in W_\gamma(\bar{U}), \varphi^{(k)}(0) = 0, k = 0, \dots, r, \|\varphi\| \leq r_0 \}.$$

Note that  $A_{r_0}$  is a closed subset of Banach space  $W_\gamma(\bar{U})$  and for  $\varphi \in A_{r_0}$  the norm is expressed by the formula

$$\|\varphi\| := \sup \left\{ \frac{|\varphi^{(r)}(x) - \varphi^{(r)}(\bar{x})|}{\gamma(|x - \bar{x}|)}; x, \bar{x} \in \bar{U}, x \neq \bar{x} \right\} \quad (24)$$

Thus, the set  $A_{r_0}$  with the metric  $\varrho(\varphi_1, \varphi_2) := \|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2\|$  is a complete metric space.

By the mean value theorem and by definition of the number of  $c$  we have for  $\varphi \in A_{r_0}$

$$\sup |\varphi^{(k)}| \leq c^{r-k} \gamma(c) r_0 \leq \gamma(c) r_0 \leq d, \quad k = 0, \dots, r \quad (25)$$

and so  $\varphi^{(k)} \in [-d, d]$ ,  $k = 0, \dots, r$ .

For  $\varphi \in A_{r_0}$  define the transformation  $T$  by the formula

$$(T\varphi)(x) := h(\varphi[f(x)]) + g(x), \quad x \in \bar{U}.$$

We will show that  $T(A_{r_0}) \subset A_{r_0}$ .

Based on Remarks 1 and 3 the function  $\psi := T\varphi$  belongs to  $W_\gamma(\bar{U})$ , from (iv) and (10), (12) appears that  $\psi^{(k)}(0) = 0$ ,  $k = 0, \dots, r$ . Then using the formulas (12), (13), (22), (25) and the assumption (i) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi^{(r)}(x) - \psi^{(r)}(\bar{x})| &\leq m\gamma(|x - \bar{x}|) + l_0 |\varphi[f(x)] - \varphi[f(\bar{x})]| + \dots + \\ &+ l_{r-1} |\varphi^{(r-1)}[f(x)] - \varphi^{(r-1)}[f(\bar{x})]| + \theta |\varphi^{(r)}[f(x)] - \varphi^{(r)}[f(\bar{x})]| \leq \\ &(m + l_0 c^{r-1} \gamma(c) r_0 + \dots + l_{r-1} \gamma(c) r_0 + \theta r_0) \gamma(|x - \bar{x}|) \leq r_0 \gamma(|x - \bar{x}|). \end{aligned}$$

Which means from (24) that  $\|T\varphi\| \leq r_0$ . Thus  $T(A_{r_0}) \subset A_{r_0}$ .

Now we prove that  $T$  is a contraction map. Let us put  $\psi_1 := T\varphi_1$ ,  $\psi_2 := T\varphi_2$ . Basing on formulas (4)-(5) of Lemma 1 and from (24) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \psi_1^{(r)}(x) - \psi_1^{(r)}(\bar{x}) - \psi_2^{(r)}(x) + \psi_2^{(r)}(\bar{x}) \right| = \\
& = \left| h'(\varphi_1[f(x)])\varphi_1'[f(x)]f^{(r)}(x) - h'(\varphi_1[f(\bar{x})])\varphi_1'[f(\bar{x})]f^{(r)}(\bar{x}) + \right. \\
& - h'(\varphi_2[f(x)])\varphi_2'[f(x)]f^{(r)}(x) + h'(\varphi_2[f(\bar{x})])\varphi_2'[f(\bar{x})]f^{(r)}(\bar{x}) + \\
& + \sum_{i=1}^r \left( h^{(r-i+1)}(\varphi_1[f(x)])w_{r,i}(x, \varphi_1'[f(x)], \dots, \varphi_1^{(i)}[f(x)]) + \right. \\
& \quad \left. - h^{(r-i+1)}(\varphi_1[f(\bar{x})])w_{r,i}(\bar{x}, \varphi_1'[f(\bar{x})], \dots, \varphi_1^{(i)}[f(\bar{x})]) + \right. \\
& \quad \left. - h^{(r-i+1)}(\varphi_2[f(x)])w_{r,i}(x, \varphi_2'[f(x)], \dots, \varphi_2^{(i)}[f(x)]) + \right. \\
& \quad \left. + h^{(r-i+1)}(\varphi_2[f(\bar{x})])w_{r,i}(\bar{x}, \varphi_2'[f(\bar{x})], \dots, \varphi_2^{(i)}[f(\bar{x})]) \right) \leq \\
& \left| h'(\varphi_1[f(x)]) \right| \left| f^{(r)}(x) \right| \left| \varphi_1'[f(x)] - \varphi_1'[f(\bar{x})] - \varphi_2'[f(x)] + \varphi_2'[f(\bar{x})] \right| + \\
& + \left| f^{(r)}(x) \right| \left| \varphi_1'[f(\bar{x})] - \varphi_2'[f(\bar{x})] \right| \left| h'(\varphi_1[f(x)]) - h'(\varphi_1[f(\bar{x})]) \right| + \\
& + \left| h'(\varphi_1[f(\bar{x})]) \right| \left| \varphi_1'[f(\bar{x})] - \varphi_2'[f(\bar{x})] \right| \left| f^{(r)}(x) - f^{(r)}(\bar{x}) \right| + \\
& + \left| f^{(r)}(x) \right| \left| \varphi_2'[f(x)] - \varphi_2'[f(\bar{x})] \right| \left| h'(\varphi_1[f(x)]) - h'(\varphi_2[f(x)]) \right| + \\
& + \left| \varphi_2[f(\bar{x})] \right| \left| f^{(r)}(x) - f^{(r)}(\bar{x}) \right| \left| h'(\varphi_1[f(x)]) - h'(\varphi_2[f(x)]) \right| + \\
& + \left| \varphi_2[f(\bar{x})] \right| \left| f^{(r)}(\bar{x}) \right| \left| h'(\varphi_1[f(x)]) - h'(\varphi_2[f(x)]) - h'(\varphi_1[f(\bar{x})]) + h'(\varphi_2[f(\bar{x})]) \right| + \\
& + \sum_{i=1}^r \left( \left| w_{r,i}(x, \varphi_1'[f(x)], \dots, \varphi_1^{(i)}[f(x)]) \right| \left| h^{(r-i+1)}(\varphi_1[f(x)]) - h^{(r-i+1)}(\varphi_1[f(\bar{x})]) + \right. \right. \\
& \quad \left. \left. - h^{(r-i+1)}(\varphi_2[f(x)]) + h^{(r-i+1)}(\varphi_2[f(\bar{x})]) \right| + \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \left| h^{(r-i+1)}(\varphi_1[f(\bar{x})]) - h^{(r-i+1)}(\varphi_2[f(\bar{x})]) \right| \cdot \right. \\
& \quad \left. \cdot \left| w_{r,i}(x, \varphi_1'[f(x)], \dots, \varphi_1^{(i)}[f(x)]) - w_{r,i}(\bar{x}, \varphi_1'[f(\bar{x})], \dots, \varphi_1^{(i)}[f(\bar{x})]) \right| + \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \left| h^{(r-i+1)}(\varphi_2[f(x)]) - h^{(r-i+1)}(\varphi_2[f(\bar{x})]) \right| \cdot \right. \\
& \quad \left. \cdot \left| w_{r,i}(x, \varphi_1'[f(x)], \dots, \varphi_1^{(i)}[f(x)]) - w_{r,i}(x, \varphi_2'[f(x)], \dots, \varphi_2^{(i)}[f(x)]) \right| + \right. \\
& + \left| h^{(r-i+1)}(\varphi_2[f(\bar{x})]) \right| \left| w_{r,i}(x, \varphi_1'[f(x)], \dots, \varphi_1^{(i)}[f(x)]) - w_{r,i}(\bar{x}, \varphi_1'[f(\bar{x})], \dots, \varphi_1^{(i)}[f(\bar{x})]) + \right. \\
& \quad \left. - w_{r,i}(x, \varphi_2'[f(x)], \dots, \varphi_2^{(i)}[f(x)]) + w_{r,i}(x, \varphi_2'[f(\bar{x})], \dots, \varphi_2^{(i)}[f(\bar{x})]) \right|.
\end{aligned}$$

Note, that if  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in A_{r_0}$ , then in view of the mean value theorem, from the definition of the number  $c$  and from (i) we have the following inequalities

$$\sup_{\bar{c}} \left| \varphi_i^{(k)} \right| \leq r_0 c^{r-k} \gamma(c) \leq r_0 (\gamma(c))^{r-k+1}, \quad k = 0, \dots, r, \quad i = 1, 2; \quad (26)$$



$$\left| \varphi_1^{(k)} [f(x)] - \varphi_1^{(k)} [f(\bar{x})] \right| \leq r_0 (\gamma(c))^{r-k} \gamma(|x - \bar{x}|), \quad k = 0, \dots, r, \quad x, \bar{x} \in \bar{U}; \quad (27)$$

$$\left| \varphi_1^{(k)} [f(x)] - \varphi_2^{(k)} [f(x)] \right| \leq \|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2\| (\gamma(c))^{r-k+1}, \quad k = 0, \dots, r, \quad x \in \bar{U}; \quad (28)$$

$$\left| \varphi_1^{(k)} [f(x)] - \varphi_1^{(k)} [f(\bar{x})] - \varphi_2^{(k)} [f(x)] + \varphi_2^{(k)} [f(\bar{x})] \right| \leq \|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2\| (\gamma(c))^{r-k} \gamma(|x - \bar{x}|), \quad (29)$$

$k = 0, \dots, r, \quad x, \bar{x} \in \bar{U}.$

By induction on  $l \in N$  we also obtain:

$$\left| \left( \varphi_1^{(k)} [f(x)] \right)^l - \left( \varphi_1^{(k)} [f(\bar{x})] \right)^l - \left( \varphi_2^{(k)} [f(x)] \right)^l + \left( \varphi_2^{(k)} [f(\bar{x})] \right)^l \right| \leq \quad (30)$$

$$l^2 r_0^{l-1} (\gamma(c))^{l(r-k)+l-1} \|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2\| \gamma(|x - \bar{x}|), \quad k = 0, \dots, r, \quad x, \bar{x} \in \bar{U}, \quad l = 1, 2, \dots$$

From (v) and by selection of  $d$  we have uniform and absolute convergence of the series

$$h'(y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n y^{n-1} \quad \text{for } y \in [-d, d].$$

Let's consider the expression:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| h'(\varphi_1 [f(x)]) - h'(\varphi_1 [f(\bar{x})]) - h'(\varphi_2 [f(x)]) + h'(\varphi_2 [f(\bar{x})]) \right| = \\ & = \left| \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n a_n \left( \left( \varphi_1 [f(x)] \right)^{n-1} - \left( \varphi_1 [f(\bar{x})] \right)^{n-1} - \left( \varphi_2 [f(x)] \right)^{n-1} + \left( \varphi_2 [f(\bar{x})] \right)^{n-1} \right) \right|. \end{aligned}$$

From (30) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left( \varphi_1 [f(x)] \right)^{n-1} - \left( \varphi_1 [f(\bar{x})] \right)^{n-1} - \left( \varphi_2 [f(x)] \right)^{n-1} + \left( \varphi_2 [f(\bar{x})] \right)^{n-1} \right| \leq \\ & \leq (n-1)^2 r_0^{n-2} (\gamma(c))^{(n-1)r+n-2} \|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2\| \gamma(|x - \bar{x}|), \quad x, \bar{x} \in \bar{U}, \quad n = 2, 3, \dots \end{aligned}$$

Note that a series

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} A_n \quad \text{where } A_n := n |a_n| (n-1)^2 r_0^{n-2} (\gamma(c))^{(n-1)r+n-2}$$

converges, because the numbers  $c, d$  have been selected in such a way that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{A_{n+1}}{A_n} \right| = \frac{r_0}{R_0} (\gamma(c))^{r+1} \leq \frac{r_0 \gamma(c)}{R_0} \leq \frac{d}{R_0} < 1.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| h'(\varphi_1[f(x)]) - h'(\varphi_1[f(\bar{x})]) - h'(\varphi_2[f(x)]) + h'(\varphi_2[f(\bar{x})]) \right| \leq \\ & \leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1)^2 |a_n| r_0^{n-2} (\gamma(c))^{(n-1)r+n-2} \|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2\| \gamma(|x - \bar{x}|), \quad x, \bar{x} \in \bar{U}. \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

Similarly for  $x, \bar{x} \in \bar{U}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, r$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| h^{(r-i+1)}(\varphi_1[f(x)]) - h^{(r-i+1)}(\varphi_1[f(\bar{x})]) - h^{(r-i+1)}(\varphi_2[f(x)]) + h^{(r-i+1)}(\varphi_2[f(\bar{x})]) \right| \leq \\ & \sum_{n=r-i+2}^{\infty} |a_n| n \dots (n-r+i)(n-r+i-1)^2 r_0^{n-r+i-2} (\gamma(c))^{(n-r+i-1)r+n-r+i-2} \|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2\| \gamma(|x - \bar{x}|). \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

By induction and from (26)-(29) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| (\varphi_1'[f(x)])^{\alpha_1} \dots (\varphi_1^{(i)}[f(x)])^{\alpha_i} - (\varphi_2'[f(x)])^{\alpha_1} \dots (\varphi_2^{(i)}[f(x)])^{\alpha_i} \right| \leq \\ & \leq (\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_i) r_0^{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_i - 1} (\gamma(c))^{r\alpha_1 + \dots + (r-i+1)\alpha_i} \|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2\|, \\ & \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_i \in N, \quad i = 1, \dots, r, \quad x, \bar{x} \in \bar{U}, \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in A_{r_0} \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| (\varphi_2'[f(x)])^{\alpha_1} \dots (\varphi_2^{(i)}[f(x)])^{\alpha_i} - (\varphi_2'[f(\bar{x})])^{\alpha_1} \dots (\varphi_2^{(i)}[f(\bar{x})])^{\alpha_i} \right| \leq \\ & \leq (\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_i) r_0^{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_i - 1} (\gamma(c))^{r\alpha_1 + \dots + (r-i+1)\alpha_i - 1} \gamma(|x - \bar{x}|), \\ & i = 1, \dots, r, \quad x, \bar{x} \in \bar{U}, \quad \varphi_2 \in A_{r_0}. \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

Now from (33) and (34) we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| (\varphi_1'[f(x)])^{\alpha_1} \dots (\varphi_1^{(i)}[f(x)])^{\alpha_i} - (\varphi_1'[f(\bar{x})])^{\alpha_1} \dots (\varphi_1^{(i)}[f(\bar{x})])^{\alpha_i} + \right. \\ & \left. - (\varphi_2'[f(x)])^{\alpha_1} \dots (\varphi_2^{(i)}[f(x)])^{\alpha_i} + (\varphi_2'[f(\bar{x})])^{\alpha_1} \dots (\varphi_2^{(i)}[f(\bar{x})])^{\alpha_i} \right| \leq \\ & \leq (\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_i)^2 r_0^{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_i - 1} (\gamma(c))^{r\alpha_1 + \dots + (r-i+1)\alpha_i - 1} \|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2\| \gamma(|x - \bar{x}|), \\ & i = 1, \dots, r, \quad x, \bar{x} \in \bar{U}, \quad \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in A_{r_0}. \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

From (6), by the mean value theorem and from (33) and (34) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| w_{r,i}(x, \varphi_1' [f(x)], \dots, \varphi_1^{(i)} [f(x)]) - w_{r,i}(\bar{x}, \varphi_1' [f(\bar{x})], \dots, \varphi_1^{(i)} [f(\bar{x})]) + \right. \\
& \left. - w_{r,i}(x, \varphi_2' [f(x)], \dots, \varphi_2^{(i)} [f(x)]) + w_{r,i}(\bar{x}, \varphi_2' [f(\bar{x})], \dots, \varphi_2^{(i)} [f(\bar{x})]) \right| \leq \\
& \leq \sum |u_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_i, r}(x)| (r-i+1)^2 r_0^{r-i} (\gamma(c))^{r\alpha_1 + \dots + (r-i+1)\alpha_i - 1} \|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2\| \gamma(|x - \bar{x}|) + \quad (36) \\
& + \sum |u_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_i, r}(z)| (r-i+1) r_0^{r-i} (\gamma(c))^{r\alpha_1 + \dots + (r-i+1)\alpha_i} \|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2\| \gamma(|x - \bar{x}|) \\
& \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, r, x, \bar{x} \in \bar{U}, z \text{ is between } x \text{ and } \bar{x}.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, from (15)-(22), (27)-(32) and (36) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \psi_1^{(r)}(x) - \psi_1^{(r)}(\bar{x}) - \psi_2^{(r)}(x) + \psi_2^{(r)}(\bar{x}) \right| \leq \\
& \leq (H_1 F(\gamma(c)))^{r-1} + H_2 F r_0 (\gamma(c))^{2r} + H_1 K (\gamma(c))^r + \\
& \quad + H_2 F r_0 (\gamma(c))^{2r} + H_2 K r_0 (\gamma(c))^{2r+1} + \\
& \quad + F r_0 (\gamma(c))^{2r} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_n| n(n-1)^2 r_0^{n-2} (\gamma(c))^{(n-2)(r+1)} + \\
& \quad + \sum_{i=1}^r W_i (\gamma(c))^r \sum_{n=r-i+2}^{\infty} |a_n| n(n-1) \dots (n-r+i)(n-r+i-1)^2 r_0^{n-r+i-2} \cdot \\
& \cdot (\gamma(c))^{(n-r+i-2)(r-1)r} + (\gamma(c))^{r+1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^r H_{r-i+2} \left( B_{i,0} + 2r_0 \sum_{k=1}^i B_{i,k} (\gamma(c))^{r-k} \right) \right) + \\
& \quad + \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} H_{r-i+1} \sum C_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_i, r} (r-i+1)^2 r_0^{r-i} (\gamma(c))^{r\alpha_1 + \dots + (r-i+1)\alpha_i - 1} + \\
& \quad + H_1 \sum_{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_{r-1} = 1, \alpha_r = 0} C_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{r-1}, 0, r} (\gamma(c))^{r\alpha_1 + \dots + 2\alpha_{r-1} - 1} + \\
& \quad + \sum_{i=1}^{r-1} H_{r-i+1} \sum D_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_i, r} (r-i+1) r_0^{r-i} (\gamma(c))^{r\alpha_1 + \dots + (r-i+1)\alpha_i} + \\
& \quad + \sup_{\bar{U}} |h' u_{0 \dots 01, r}| \|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2\| \gamma(|x - \bar{x}|) \leq (l_0 + \theta) \|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2\| \gamma(|x - \bar{x}|).
\end{aligned}$$

Putting  $L = l_0 + \theta$  and making use of definition (24) of the norm in  $\mathcal{W}_\gamma(\bar{U})$  we have

$$\|\psi_1 - \psi_2\| \leq L \|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2\|,$$

which means that  $\rho(\psi_1, \psi_2) \leq L \rho(\varphi_1, \varphi_2)$ , where  $L < 1$  in view on (23).

By the Banach fixed point theorem, there is exactly one solution  $\bar{\varphi} \in W_\gamma(\bar{U})$  of (1) satisfying the condition (12). This solution is given as the limit of series of successive approximations.

$$\varphi_n(x) = h(\varphi_{n-1}[f(x)]) + g(x), \quad n \in N, \quad x \in \bar{U}$$

where  $\varphi_0 \in A_{r_0}$ . This sequence converges in the sense of the norm of  $W_\gamma(\bar{U})$ . By Lemma 4 in [7], there exists the unique extension  $\varphi$  of  $\bar{\varphi}$  to the whole interval  $I$  such that  $\varphi = \bar{\varphi}$  for  $x \in \bar{U}$  and  $\varphi$  satisfies the equation (1) in  $I$ . This completes the proof.

## Conclusions

In this paper, applying the Banach contraction principle, a theorem on the existence and uniqueness of  $W_\gamma$ -solutions of nonlinear iterative functional equation (1) has been proved. The suitable unique solution is determined as a limit of sequence of successive approximations.

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