

**DIFFERENTIABILITY OF THE SOLUTIONS OF A SEMILINEAR
ABSTRACT CAUCHY PROBLEM WITH RESPECT TO
PARAMETERS**

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ABSTRACT. The Fréchet differentiability with respect to a parameter q of the solutions $z(t; q)$ of Cauchy problems of the form $\frac{d}{dt}z(t) = A(q)z(t) + F(q, t, z(t))$ is analyzed. Sufficient conditions on the operator $A(q)$ and on F are derived and the corresponding sensitivity equations for the Fréchet derivative $D_q z(t; q)$ are found.

1. INTRODUCTION

We consider the problem of continuous dependence and differentiability with respect to a parameter q of the solutions $z(t; q)$ of the semilinear abstract Cauchy problem

$$(\mathcal{P})_q \begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt}z(t) = A(q)z(t) + F(q, t, z(t)) & z(t) \in Z, \\ z(0) = z_0 & t \in [0, T] \end{cases}$$

where Z is a Banach space, $q \in Q_{ad} \subset Q$, a normed linear space (Q_{ad} is an open subset of Q), and $A(q)$ is the infinitesimal generator of an analytic semigroup $T(t; q)$ on Z for all $q \in Q_{ad}$. Z and Q are the state space and the parameter space, respectively, while Q_{ad} is called the admissible parameter set.

Identification problems associated to system $(\mathcal{P})_q$ and other similar type of equations ([2], [5], [7]) are usually solved by direct methods such as quasilinearization. These methods require that solutions be differentiable with respect to the parameter q . In addition, their numerical implementation require an approximation to the corresponding Fréchet derivative.

Problems of the type $\frac{d}{dt}z(t) = A(q)z(t) + u(t)$, where $A(q)$ generates a strongly continuous semigroup and $A(q) = A + B(q)$ where $B(q)$ is assumed to be bounded were studied by Clark and Gibson ([4]), Brewer ([1]). Burns et al ([3]) studied problems of the type $\frac{d}{dt}z(t) = Az(t) + F(q, t, z(t))$. The parameter q here did not appear in the linear part of the equation.

Here, we prove that, under certain conditions, the solutions of the general abstract Cauchy problem $(\mathcal{P})_q$ are Fréchet differentiable with respect to q and we find the corresponding sensitivity equations.

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2. PRELIMINARY RESULTS

The following standing hypotheses are considered:

H1: There exist $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ such that the type of $T(t; q)$, call it w_q , is less than or equal to $-\varepsilon_0$ for all $q \in Q_{ad}$ and there exists $C_q > 0$ such that $\|T(t; q)\| \leq C_q e^{-\varepsilon_0 t}$ for all $t \geq 0$ and $q \in Q_{ad}$. The constant C_q depends on q but it can be chosen independent of q on compact subsets of Q_{ad} .

H2: $\mathcal{D}(A(q)) = D$ is independent of q and D is a dense subspace of Z .

We shall denote by Z_δ the space $D((-A(q))^\delta)$ imbedded with the norm of the graph of $-A(q)^\delta$. Since $0 \in \rho(A(q))$ it follows that this norm is equivalent to $\|z\|_{q,\delta} \doteq \|(-A(q))^\delta z\|$. Also, there exists a constant M_q such that $\|(-A(q))^\delta T(t; q)\| \leq M_q \frac{e^{-\varepsilon_0 t}}{t^\delta}$, for all $t > 0$ (see [13], Theorem 2.6.13).

H3: There exists $\delta \in (0, 1)$ such that

$$\|F(q, t_1, z_1) - F(q, t_2, z_2)\|_Z \leq L(|t_1 - t_2| + \|z_1 - z_2\|_{q,\delta})$$

for $(t_i, z_i) \in U$, where L can be chosen independent of q on any compact subset of Q_{ad} .

This last regularity condition guarantees existence and uniqueness of solutions of problem $(\mathcal{P})_q$, provided that the initial condition z_0 is in Z_δ . See [12] and [11] for details.

The next results can be easily proved by using the Closed Graph Theorem.

LEMMA 1: Under hypotheses H1 and H2, for any $q_1, q_2 \in Q_{ad}$ and $\delta \in (0, 1)$ we have:

i) $A(q_1)(-A(q_2))^{-\delta}$ is bounded on $Z_{1-\delta}$.

ii) $A(q_1)T(\cdot; q_2) \in L^1(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Z))$ and $A(q_1)T(\cdot; q_2) \in L^\infty(\eta, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Z))$, for each $\eta > 0$.

iii) $T(\cdot; q_2) \in L^1(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Z, Z_{q_1, \delta}))$ and $T(\cdot; q_2) \in L^\infty(\eta, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Z; Z_{q_1, \delta}))$, for each $\eta > 0$.

Note: This result implies that the operator $A(q_1)T(t; q_2)$ is bounded for each $t > 0$. However, no uniform bound can be found for t near zero. For $q_1 = q_2 = q$, it implies, in particular, that the derivative $\frac{d}{dt}T(t; q)$ of the solution operator of the homogeneous equation associated with $(\mathcal{P})_q$ is integrable near $t = 0$.

We will also assume that $A(q)$ satisfies the following hypothesis:

H4: For δ as in H3 and for any $q_1, q_2 \in Q_{ad}$ there are constants $M(q_1, q_2)$ and $C(q_1, q_2)$ both depending on q_1 and q_2 , such that $\|(-A(q_1))^\delta(-A(q_2))^{-\delta}\|_{\mathcal{L}(Z)} \leq M(q_1, q_2)$, $\|A(q_1)[A(q_2)]^{-1} - I\| \leq C(q_1, q_2)$ and $C(q_1, q_2) \rightarrow 0$ as $q_1 \rightarrow q_2$.

Note: It is sufficient to request that H4 be true for $\delta = 1$.

We also consider the hypothesis:

H4': For each $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$ there exists $C = C(q_0)$ such that

$$\|(A(q) - A(q_0))z\| \leq C\|q - q_0\| \|A(q_0)z\| \quad z \in D, \quad q \in Q_{ad}.$$

THEOREM 2: Assume H1-H4 hold. Then for any $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$ and $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\tilde{\delta} > 0$ such that

$$\|A(q)T(\cdot, q_0)z - A(q_0)T(\cdot, q_0)z\|_{L^1(0, \infty; Z)} \leq \varepsilon \|z\|$$

for all $z \in Z$, and for all $q \in Q_{ad}$ satisfying $\|q - q_0\| < \tilde{\delta}$, that is

$$\|A(q)T(\cdot, q_0) - A(q_0)T(\cdot, q_0)\|_{L^1(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Z))} \leq \varepsilon,$$

or equivalently, for every fixed $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$ the mapping from Q into $L^1(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Z))$ defined by

$$q \rightarrow A(q)T(\cdot, q_0)$$

is continuous on Q_{ad} .

The proof follows immediately using Lemma 1.

3. MAIN RESULTS

Recall that for $z_0 \in Z_\delta$, $z(t; q)$ satisfies

$$z(t; q) = T(t; q)z_0 + \int_0^t T(t-s; q)F(q, s, z(s; q))ds \doteq T(t; q)z_0 + S(t; q), \quad t \in [0, T].$$

Consider now the following standing hypothesis concerning the q -regularity of $\frac{d}{dt}T(t; q)$.

H5: The mapping $q \rightarrow A(q)T(\cdot; q_0)$ from Q into $L^1(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Z))$ is Fréchet differentiable at q_0 for all $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$ (under H1-H4, we already know that this mapping is continuous, by virtue of Theorem 2).

THEOREM 3: *Suppose H1-H5 hold. It follows that*

i) The mapping $q \rightarrow T(\cdot; q)$ from $Q \rightarrow L^\infty(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Z))$ is Fréchet differentiable at q_0 , for each $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$. Moreover, for any $t > 0$ and $h \in Q_{ad}$ the q -Fréchet derivative of $T(t; q)$ evaluated at $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$ and applied to $h \in Q$, i.e. $[D_q T(t; q_0)]h$, is the solution $v_h(t)$ of the following linear IVP, the so called “sensitivity equation” for $T(t; q)$, in $\mathcal{L}(Z)$

$$(S_1) : \begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt}v_h(t) = A(q_0)v_h(t) + [D_q A(q)T(t; q_0)|_{q=q_0}]h \\ v_h(0) = 0, \end{cases}$$

and ii) for every $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$, $D_q T(\cdot; q_0) = D_q T(\cdot; q)|_{q=q_0} \in L^\infty(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z)))$.

PROOF: For $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$ we have

$$(2) \quad [D_q T(t; q_0)z_0](\cdot) = \int_0^t T(t-s; q_0) [D_q A(q)T(s; q_0)z_0|_{q=q_0}](\cdot) ds.$$

It remains to show the Fréchet differentiability of the mapping $q \rightarrow T(\cdot; q)$ when viewed as a mapping from Q into $L^\infty(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Z))$, i.e. in the stronger $L^\infty(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Z))$ norm. Let $\varepsilon > 0$, $t > 0$ and $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$. First note that for any $h \in Q$ with $\|h\| < \tilde{\delta}$, ($\tilde{\delta}$ as in Theorem 2) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}[T(t; q_0 + h)z_0 - T(t; q_0)z_0] &= A(q_0 + h)T(t; q_0 + h)z_0 - A(q_0)T(t; q_0)z_0 \\ &= A(q_0 + h)[T(t; q_0 + h)z_0 - T(t; q_0)z_0] + (A(q_0 + h) - A(q_0))T(t; q_0)z_0. \end{aligned}$$

From Theorem 2 and [13] (Corollary 2.2) it follows that

$$(3) \quad T(t; q_0 + h)z_0 - T(t; q_0)z_0 = \int_0^t T(t-s; q_0 + h) (A(q_0 + h) - A(q_0))T(s; q_0)z_0 ds.$$

and therefore for all $h \in Q$ with $\|h\| < \tilde{\delta}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|T(t; q_0 + h)z_0 - T(t; q_0)z_0\|_Z &\leq \int_0^t M_{q_0+h} e^{-\varepsilon_0(t-s)} \|(A(q_0 + h)T(s; q_0) - A(q_0)T(s; q_0))z_0\|_Z ds \\
&\leq C \|(A(q_0 + h)T(\cdot; q_0) - A(q_0)T(\cdot; q_0))z_0\|_{L^1(0, \infty; Z)} \\
&\leq C\varepsilon \|z_0\|_Z,
\end{aligned}$$

Thus for $t > 0$

$$(4) \quad \|T(t; q_0 + h) - T(t; q_0)\|_{\mathcal{L}(Z)} \leq C\varepsilon, \quad \text{for } \|h\| < \tilde{\delta},$$

and, since the constant C above does not depend on t ,

$$\|T(\cdot; q_0 + h) - T(\cdot; q_0)\|_{L^\infty(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Z))} \leq C\varepsilon, \quad \text{for } \|h\| < \tilde{\delta}.$$

The following estimate then follows

$$\begin{aligned}
&\left\| T(t; q_0 + h) - T(t; q_0) - \int_0^t T(t-s; q_0) [D_q A(q)T(s; q_0)|_{q=q_0}] h ds \right\|_{\mathcal{L}(Z)} \\
&\leq (\varepsilon + 1)C \|A(q_0 + h)T(\cdot; q_0) - A(q_0)T(\cdot; q_0) - [D_q A(q)T(\cdot; q_0)|_{q=q_0}] h\|_{L^1(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Z))} \\
(5) \quad &+ \varepsilon C \|[D_q A(q)T(\cdot; q_0)|_{q=q_0}] h\|_{L^1(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Z))}.
\end{aligned}$$

Now by (H5) for the given $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $\xi > 0$ such that

$$(6) \quad \|A(q_0 + h)T(\cdot; q_0) - A(q_0)T(\cdot; q_0) - [D_q A(q)T(\cdot; q_0)|_{q=q_0}] h\|_{L^1(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Z))} \leq \varepsilon \|h\|$$

for $\|h\| < \xi$, and since $D_q A(q)T(\cdot; q_0)|_{q=q_0} \in \mathcal{L}(Q, L^1(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Z)))$ there exists $M, 0 < M < \infty$ such that

$$(7) \quad \|D_q A(q)T(\cdot, q_0)|_{q=q_0}\|_{\mathcal{L}(Q, L^1(0, \infty, \mathcal{L}(Z)))} \leq M.$$

Now, employing (6) and (7) in (5) we get that for $\|h\| < \min(\tilde{\delta}, \xi)$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\left\| T(t; q_0 + h) - T(t; q_0) - \int_0^t T(t-s; q_0) [D_q A(q)T(s; q_0)|_{q=q_0}] h ds \right\|_{\mathcal{L}(Z)} \\
&\leq (\varepsilon + 1)C\varepsilon \|h\| + \varepsilon CM \|h\| \leq K\varepsilon \|h\|.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence the mapping from Q into $L^\infty(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Z))$ defined by

$$q \rightarrow T(\cdot; q)$$

is Fréchet q -differentiable at q_0 and

$$(8) \quad [D_q T(t; q_0)](\cdot) = \int_0^t T(t-s; q_0) [D_q A(q)T(s; q_0)|_{q=q_0}](\cdot) ds.$$

Since $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$ is arbitrary, part (i) of the Theorem follows. To prove (ii) we first note that by H5, for $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$, there exists $C = C(q_0)$ such that for $h \in Q$

$$(9) \quad \|D_q A(q)T(\cdot; q_0)|_{q=q_0} h\|_{L^1(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Z))} \leq C(q_0) \|h\|.$$

Now, it follows from (8) that for $t > 0$, $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$ and $h \in Q$, one has $\| [D_q T(t; q_0)] h \|_{\mathcal{L}(Z)} \leq \tilde{C}(q_0) \|h\|$. Thus $\|D_q T(t; q_0)\|_{\mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z))} \leq \tilde{C}(q_0)$, and since $\tilde{C}(q_0)$ does not depend on $t > 0$, it follows that $D_q T(\cdot; q_0) \in L^\infty(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z)))$. ■

Under slightly stronger assumptions on the mapping $q \rightarrow A(q)T(\cdot; q_0)$, it is possible to obtain the Lipschitz continuity of the mapping $q \rightarrow D_q T(\cdot; q_0)$ as a mapping from Q into $L^\infty(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z)))$ and from Q into $L^\infty(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z, Z_\delta)))$. In fact, consider the following hypothesis.

H6: The mapping $q \rightarrow D_q A(q)T(\cdot; q_0)$ from Q into $L^1(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z)))$ is locally Lipschitz continuous at q_0 , for all $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$.

THEOREM 4: *Let $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$ and assume hypotheses H1-H6 hold. Then the mapping $q \rightarrow D_q T(\cdot; q_0)$ from Q into $L^\infty(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z)))$ is locally Lipschitz continuous at q_0 .*

PROOF: Choose $h \in Q$ such that $\|h\| < \tilde{\delta}$ ($\tilde{\delta}$ as in Theorem 2) and denote $G_q(t; q_0)(\cdot) = D_q A(q)T(t; q_0)|_{q=q_0}(\cdot) \in \mathcal{L}(Q, \mathcal{L}(Z))$. Theorem 3 together with the appropriate choice of $\alpha(h)$, $0 \leq |\alpha(h)| \leq 1$, yield

$$\begin{aligned} & \|D_q T(t; q_0 + h)(\cdot) - D_q T(t; q_0)(\cdot)\|_{\mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z))} \\ & \leq M_{q_0+h} \|G_q(\cdot; q_0 + h) - G_q(\cdot; q_0)\|_{L^1(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z)))} \\ & \quad + \|D_q T(\cdot; q_0 + \alpha(h)h)\|_{L^\infty(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z)))} \|G_q(\cdot; q_0)\|_{L^1(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z)))} \|h\| \\ & \leq C \|h\|. \end{aligned}$$

The last inequality follows from H6 and Theorem 3(ii), and by the fact that $G_q(\cdot, q_0) \in L^1(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z)))$, which is a result of H6. ■

In order to obtain the q -Fréchet differentiability of $S(\cdot; q)$, we will need the local Lipschitz continuity of the mapping $q \rightarrow D_q T(\cdot; q_0)$ when viewed as a mapping from Q into $L^\infty(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z; Z_\delta)))$. This can be achieved by requiring the following hypothesis.

H7: For every $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$, $D_q A(q)T(\cdot; q_0)|_{q=q_0} \in L^1(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z; Z_\delta)))$ and the mapping $q \rightarrow D_q A(q)T(\cdot; q_0)$ from Q into $L^1(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z; Z_\delta)))$ is locally Lipschitz continuous at q_0 , for all $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$.

Clearly H7 implies H6 (since the Z_δ -norm is stronger than the Z -norm).

THEOREM 5: *Assume H1-H5 and H7 hold. Then, for all $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$, $D_q T(\cdot; q_0) \in L^\infty(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z; Z_\delta)))$ and, the mapping $q \rightarrow D_q T(\cdot; q)$ from Q into the space $L^\infty(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z; Z_\delta)))$ is locally Lipschitz continuous at q_0 .*

PROOF: For $t > 0$, $z \in Z$, $h \in Q$, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & \| [D_q T(t; q_0)h] z \|_{Z_\delta} = \left\| (-A(q_0))^\delta ([D_q T(t; q_0)] h) z \right\|_Z \\ & = M_{q_0} \|h\| \|z\|_Z \|D_q A(q)T(\cdot; q_0)|_{q=q_0}\|_{L^1(0, t; \mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z; Z_\delta)))} \\ & \leq C(q_0) \|h\| \|z\|_Z \quad (\text{by virtue of H7}) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\|D_q T(t; q_0)h\|_{\mathcal{L}(Z; Z_\delta)} \leq C(q_0) \|h\|$, and $\|D_q T(t; q_0)\|_{\mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z; Z_\delta))} \leq C(q_0)$.

Since $C(q_0)$ does not depend on $t > 0$, it follows that $D_q T(\cdot; q_0) \in L^\infty(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z; Z_\delta)))$. The Lipschitz continuity of this mapping is obtained following the same steps as in Theorem 4. ■

This result implies that $q \rightarrow T(\cdot; q)$ is Fréchet differentiable as a mapping from Q into $L^\infty(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Q; \mathcal{L}(Z; Z_\delta)))$. In fact, THEOREM 6: *Under the same hypotheses of Theorem 5, $T(\cdot; q)$ is Fréchet differentiable at q_0 , for each $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$, when viewed as a mapping from Q into $L^\infty(0, \infty; \mathcal{L}(Z; Z_\delta))$.*

PROOF: For $h \in Q$ with $\|h\| < \tilde{\delta}$ so that $q_0 + \alpha h \in Q_{ad}$, α satisfying $|\alpha| \leq 1$, $\beta(h)$ appropriately chosen, $0 \leq |\beta(h)| \leq 1$, and any $t > 0$ it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & \|T(t; q_0 + h) - T(t; q_0) - [D_q T(t; q_0)] h\|_{\mathcal{L}(Z; Z_\delta)} \\ & \leq C(q_0) \|\beta(h)h\| \|h\| \\ & \leq C(q_0) \epsilon \|h\|, \quad \text{for } \|h\| < \epsilon, \text{ for all } \epsilon \text{ such that } 0 < \epsilon \leq \tilde{\delta}. \end{aligned}$$

■

Note that Theorems 3 and 6 imply that the solution $z_h(t; q)$ of the linear homogeneous problem associated to $(\mathcal{P})_q$ is Fréchet differentiable with respect to q , both as a mapping into Z and into Z_δ , respectively. Theorems 4 and 5 imply, moreover, that the corresponding Fréchet derivatives are locally Lipschitz continuous.

The following generalization of Growall's Lemma for singular kernels will be needed later. Its proof can be found in [6], Lemma 7.1.1.

LEMMA 7: *Let L, T, δ be positive constants, $\delta < 1$, $a(t)$ a real valued, nonnegative, locally integrable function on $[0, T]$ and $\mu(t)$ a real-valued function on $[0, T]$ satisfying*

$$\mu(t) \leq a(t) + L \int_0^t \frac{\mu(s)}{(t-s)^\delta} ds, \quad t \in [0, T].$$

Then, there exists a constant K depending only on δ such that

$$\mu(t) \leq a(t) + KL \int_0^t \frac{a(s)}{(t-s)^\delta} ds, \quad t \in [0, T].$$

Before proving the Fréchet differentiability of the mapping $q \rightarrow S(\cdot; q)$ from $Q \rightarrow L^\infty(0, T; Z_\delta)$, we will show that if $F(q, t, z)$ satisfies appropriate regularity properties, such a mapping is locally Lipschitz continuous at q_0 , for all $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$. This result will be needed later.

Consider the hypothesis:

H8: The mapping $q \rightarrow F(q, \cdot; z)$ from Q into $L^\infty(0, T; Z)$ is locally Lipschitz continuous for all $z \in Z_\delta$ with Lipschitz constant independent of z on Z_δ -bounded sets.

THEOREM 8: *Let $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$, $z_0 \in D_\delta$ and assume H1-H5, H7 and H8 hold. Then the mapping $q \rightarrow S(\cdot; q)$ from $Q \rightarrow L^\infty(0, T; Z_\delta)$ is locally Lipschitz continuous at q_0 .*

PROOF: Using Theorem 3 we write

$$\begin{aligned}
S(t; q_0 + h) - S(t; q_0) &= \\
&= \int_0^t T(t-s; q_0 + h) [F(q_0 + h, s, z(s; q_0 + h)) - F(q_0, s, z(s; q_0 + h))] ds \\
&+ \int_0^t T(t-s; q_0 + h) [F(q_0, s, z(s; q_0 + h)) - F(q_0, s, z(s; q_0))] ds \\
&+ \int_0^t D_q T(t-s; q_0 + \beta(h)h) h F(q_0, s, z(s; q_0)) ds,
\end{aligned}$$

where $q_0 + h \in Q_{ad}$ for all $\|h\| \leq \gamma_1$ and $\beta(h)$ is an appropriately selected constant satisfying $0 \leq |\beta(h)| \leq 1$.

Using H8, H3 and Theorem 5 it then follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
&\|S(t; q_0 + h) - S(t; q_0)\|_\delta \\
&\leq \int_0^t \frac{M_{q_0+h} e^{-\varepsilon_0(t-s)}}{(t-s)^\delta} C_1 \|h\| ds + \int_0^t \frac{M_{q_0+h} e^{-\varepsilon_0(t-s)}}{(t-s)^\delta} L \|z(s; q_0 + h) - z(s; q_0)\|_\delta + C_2 \|h\| \\
&\leq C_3 \|h\| + C_4 \int_0^t \frac{\| [D_q T(s; q_0 + \beta(h)h) h] z_0 + S(s; q_0 + h) - S(s; q_0) \|_\delta}{(t-s)^\delta} ds \\
&\leq C_5 \|h\| + C_4 \int_0^t \frac{\|S(s; q_0 + h) - S(s; q_0)\|_\delta}{(t-s)^\delta} ds.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, by Lemma 7, there exist a constant K such that

$$\|S(t; q_0 + h) - S(t; q_0)\|_\delta \leq C_5 \|h\| + KC_4 C_5 \|h\| \int_0^T \frac{1}{(t-s)^\delta} ds \doteq C_6 \|h\|, \quad t \in [0, T],$$

provided $\|h\| \leq \gamma_1$. The Theorem follows. \blacksquare

It is appropriate to note at this point that this result together with Theorem 6 imply that the mapping $q \rightarrow z(\cdot; q)$ from Q into $L^\infty(0, T; Z_\delta)$ is locally Lipschitz continuous at q_0 . We proceed now to prove the Fréchet differentiability of the mapping $q \rightarrow S(t; q)$, corresponding to the nonlinear part of problem $(\mathcal{P})_q$. For that purpose, we consider the following hypothesis.

H9: The mapping $(q, z(\cdot)) \rightarrow F(q, \cdot, z(\cdot))$ from $Q_{ad} \times L^1(0, T; Z_\delta)$ into $L^\infty(0, T; Z)$ is Fréchet differentiable in both variables, the mapping $(q, z(\cdot)) \rightarrow F_q(q, \cdot, z(\cdot))$ from $Q \times L^\infty(0, T; Z_\delta)$ into $L^\infty(0, T; \mathcal{L}(Q; Z_\delta))$ is locally Lipschitz continuous with respect to q and z , with Lipschitz constant independent of z on Z_δ -bounded sets and $F_z(q, \cdot, z(\cdot; q)) \in L^\infty(0, T; \mathcal{L}(Z; Z_\delta))$.

Clearly H9 is stronger than H8.

THEOREM 9: Let $q_0 \in Q_{ad}$, $z_0 \in D_\delta$ and suppose H1-H5, H7 and H9 hold. Then the mapping $q \rightarrow S(t; q) = \int_0^t T(t-s; q) F(q, s, z(s; q)) ds$ from $Q \rightarrow L^\infty(0, T; Z_\delta)$ is Fréchet differentiable at q_0 . Moreover, for any $t \in [0, T]$, and any $h \in Q_{ad}$, $[D_q S(t; q_0)]h \doteq w_h(t)$ satisfies the integral equation

$$\begin{aligned}
w_h(t) = \int_0^t \left\{ T(t-s; q_0) \left[F_q(q_0, s, z(s; q_0))h + F_z(q_0, s, z(s; q_0)) [D_q T(s; q_0)z_0]h \right. \right. \\
(10) \qquad \qquad \qquad \left. \left. + F_z(q_0, s, z(s; q_0))w_h(s) \right] + [D_q T(t-s; q_0)F(q_0, s, z(s; q_0))] h \right\} ds,
\end{aligned}$$

and $w_h(t)$ is the solution of the following non-homogeneous linear IVP, the so-called “sensitivity equation” for $S(t; q)$, in Z :

$$(S_2) \begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt} w_h(t) = (A(q_0) + F_z(q_0, t, z(t; q_0)))w_h(t) + F_q(q_0, t, z(t; q_0))h + \\ \quad + F_z(q_0, t, z(t; q_0))[D_q T(t; q_0)z_0]h + \int_0^t D_q A(q)T(t-s; q_0)|_{q=q_0} h F(q_0, s, z(s; q_0)) ds \\ w_h(0) = 0. \end{cases}$$

PROOF: That the solution $w_h(t)$ of (S_2) satisfies (10) follows immediately (S_1) in Theorem 2 and the fact that $[D_q T(0; q_0)z]h = 0$ for $z \in Z$ and $h \in Q$.

We write

$$\begin{aligned}
S(t; q_0 + h) - S(t; q_0) - w_h(t) &= \\
&= \int_0^t T(t-s; q_0) [F(q_0 + h, s, z(s; q_0)) - F(q_0, s, z(s; q_0)) - F_q(q_0, s, z(s; q_0))h] ds \\
&\quad + \int_0^t T(t-s; q_0) \left[F(q_0, s, z(s; q_0 + h)) - F(q_0, s, z(s; q_0)) \right. \\
&\quad \quad \left. - F_z(q_0, s, z(s; q_0))(z(s; q_0 + h) - z(s; q_0)) \right] ds \\
&\quad + \int_0^t T(t-s; q_0) F_z(q_0, s, z(s; q_0)) [S(s; q_0 + h) - S(s; q_0) - w_h(s)] ds \\
&\quad + \int_0^t T(t-s; q_0) F_z(q_0, z(s; q_0)) \left[[D_q T(s; q_0 + \alpha(h)h)z_0]h - [D_q T(s; q_0)z_0]h \right] ds \\
&\quad + \int_0^t \left\{ T(t-s; q_0 + h)F(q_0, s, z(s; q_0)) - T(t-s; q_0)F(q_0, s, z(s; q_0)) \right. \\
&\quad \quad \quad \left. - [D_q T(t-s; q_0)F(q_0, s, z(s; q_0))]h \right\} ds \\
&\quad + \int_0^t T(t-s; q_0 + h) [F(q_0 + h, s, z(s; q_0 + h)) - F(q_0, s, z(s; q_0))] ds \\
&\quad - \int_0^t T(t-s; q_0) [F(q_0 + h, s, z(s; q_0)) - 2F(q_0, s, z(s; q_0)) + F(q_0, s, z(s; q_0 + h))] ds \\
&\doteq \sum_{i=1}^7 I_i,
\end{aligned}$$

where I_i is the i^{th} term in the expression written above. Here, $\alpha(h)$ is an appropriately chosen constant satisfying $0 \leq |\alpha(h)| \leq 1$.

In what follows, C_i will denote a generic finite positive constant depending on q_0 . Let $\gamma_1 > 0$ be such that $q_0 + \eta \in Q_{ad}$ for all $\eta \in Q$ satisfying $\|\eta\| < \gamma_1$. Then for any $h \in Q_{ad}$

with $\|h\| < \gamma_1$ it follows, by virtue of Theorem 8 and hypothesis H9 that there exist positive constants C_1 , C_2 and L , such that:

$$\begin{aligned} \|I_6 + I_7\|_\delta &\leq C_1 \|h\|^2 + \int_0^t \frac{L}{(t-s)^\delta} \left(|\alpha_1(h) - \alpha_3(h)| \|h\| + \|z(s; q_0 + h) - z(s; q_0)\|_\delta \right) \|h\| ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^t \frac{C_2}{(t-s)^\delta} \|z(s; q_0 + h) - z(s; q_0)\|_\delta \|h\| ds \\ (11) \quad &\leq C_3 \|h\|^2, \quad \text{provided } \|h\| \leq \gamma_1, \end{aligned}$$

where the last inequality follows from the Lipschitz continuity of the mapping $q \rightarrow z(\cdot; q)$ from Q into $L^\infty(0, T; Z_\delta)$ at q_0 . Now let ε be a fixed positive constant. It follows from H9 that there exist $\gamma_2 > 0$ and $\gamma_3 > 0$ such that

$$(12) \quad \|I_1\|_\delta \leq \int_0^t \frac{C_4}{(t-s)^\delta} \varepsilon \|h\| ds \leq C_5 \varepsilon \|h\|,$$

provided $\|h\| \leq \gamma_2$, and also

$$\begin{aligned} \|I_2\|_\delta &\leq \int_0^t \frac{C_6 \varepsilon}{(t-s)^\delta} \|z(s; q_0 + h) - z(s; q_0)\|_Z ds \\ (13) \quad &\leq C_7 \varepsilon \|h\|, \quad \text{provided } \|h\| \leq \gamma_3. \end{aligned}$$

Also, by using H9 we have that $F_z(q_0, \cdot, z(\cdot; q_0)) \in L^\infty(0, T; \mathcal{L}(Z; Z_\delta))$, and therefore there exists a constant C_8 such that

$$(14) \quad \|I_3\|_\delta \leq C_8 \int_0^t \frac{\|S(s; q_0 + h) - S(s; q_0) - w_h(s)\|_\delta}{(t-s)^\delta} ds.$$

On the other hand, the local Lipschitz continuity of $D_q T(\cdot; q_0)$ (Theorem 4), implies the existence of two finite positive constants C_9 and γ_4 such that

$$(15) \quad \|I_4\|_\delta \leq \int_0^t \frac{C_9}{(t-s)^\delta} |\alpha(h)| \|h\|^2 ds \leq C_{10} \|h\|^2, \quad \text{provided } \|h\| \leq \gamma_4.$$

Finally from Theorem 6 and H9, there are two finite positive constants C_{10} and γ_5 such that

$$(16) \quad \|I_5\|_\delta \leq C(q_0) \varepsilon \|h\| \int_0^t \|F(q_0, s, z(s; q_0))\|_Z ds \leq C_{10} \varepsilon \|h\|,$$

provided $\|h\| \leq \gamma_5$.

From (11)-(16) we conclude that there exist finite positive constants C_{11} , C_{12} , and γ such that for $t \in [0, T]$ and $h \in Q_{ad}$ with $\|h\| \leq \gamma$

$$\begin{aligned} \|S(t; q_0 + h) - S(t; q_0) - w_h(t)\|_\delta &\leq C_{11} \varepsilon \|h\| + \\ &\quad + C_{12} \int_0^t \frac{\|S(s; q_0 + h) - S(s; q_0) - w_h(s)\|_\delta}{(t-s)^\delta} ds. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, applying Lemma 7 we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} \|S(t; q_0 + h) - S(t; q_0) - w_h(t)\|_\delta &\leq C_{11} \varepsilon \|h\| + KC_{12}C_{11}\varepsilon \|h\| \int_0^t \frac{1}{(t-s)^\delta} ds \\ &\leq C_{13}\varepsilon \|h\|, \quad t \in [0, T], \quad \|h\| \leq \gamma. \end{aligned}$$

hence the mapping $q \rightarrow S(\cdot; q)$ from $Q \rightarrow L^\infty(0, T; Z_\delta)$ is Fréchet differentiable at q_0 and $w_h(t)$ is the Fréchet derivative of $S(t; q)$ at q_0 , i.e. $D_q S(t; q_0) = w_h(t)$. ■

THEOREM 10: *Under the same hypotheses of Theorem 9, the mapping $q \rightarrow z(\cdot; q)$ from the admissible parameter set Q_{ad} into the solution space $L^\infty(0, T; Z_\delta)$, is Fréchet differentiable at q_0 . Moreover, for any $h \in Q$, $t \in [0, T]$, the q -Fréchet derivative of $z(t; q)$ evaluated at q_0 and applied to h , i.e. $[D_q z(t; q_0)]h$ is the solution $v_h(t)$ of the following linear non-homogeneous initial value problem in Z , the sensitivity equation for $z(t; q)$*

$$(S) \begin{cases} \frac{d}{dt} v_h(t) = (A(q_0) + F_z(q_0, t, z(t; q_0))) v_h(t) + F_q(q_0, t, z(t; q_0))h + \\ \quad + D_q A(q)T(t; q_0)z_0|_{q=q_0} h + \int_0^t D_q A(q)T(t-s; q_0)|_{q=q_0} h F(q_0, s, z(s; q_0)) ds \\ v_h(0) = 0. \end{cases}$$

PROOF: The Fréchet differentiability of $z(t; q) = T(t; q)z_0 + S(t; q)$ follows immediately from Theorems 6 and 9 and the sensitivity equation is readily obtained by combining the sensitivity equations (S_1) and (S_2) . ■

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