

## Differential equations with coefficients in Sobolev spaces.

I would like to propose a model of ordinary and delay differential equations with coefficients in Sobolev spaces. These are equations of the form

$$y'(t) = f(t, y(t)) \quad , \quad y'(t) = f(t, y(t), y(t-1))$$

where  $f$  is a discontinuous, measurable and locally integrable function.

An example of a problem with unbounded discontinuous right-hand side is the n-body problem

$$c_i''(t) = \gamma \cdot \sum_{1 \leq j \leq n, i \neq j} m_j \cdot \frac{c_j(t) - c_i(t)}{\|c_j(t) - c_i(t)\|^3}$$

where: the mass of the  $i$ -th body is  $m_i$  and  $c_j(t)$  is the position vector in  $R^3$  of the  $j$ -th body. Moreover,  $\gamma$  is the gravitational constant;  $c_i''(t)$  is the acceleration of  $i$ -th body. If these bodies collide, then the right-hand side becomes singular.

The Caratheodory conditions for  $f(t, x)$  guarantee the existence of solutions to problem  $y'(t) = f(t, y(t))$ . These conditions are that  $f$  is measurable with respect to  $t$  and continuous (or Lipschitz continuous) with respect to  $x$ .

When we study differential equations with measurable coefficients, then there are some obstacles. Briefly speaking, if function  $f(t, x)$  is at most measurable, then the superposition  $f(t, y(t))$  does not have to be measurable and we lose the meaning of the integral  $\int_0^t f(s, y(s)) ds$ .

I would like to propose a generalized meaning of the above integral: this might be the concept of the trace operator of function  $f(t, x)$  on the graph of curve  $y(t)$ .