# A NOTE ON ALMOST PERIODIC FUNCTIONS WITH VALUES IN LOCALLY CONVEX SPACES

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**Abstract.** It is well known that the almost periodic functions  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \to Y$  form a vector space with the usual operations if Y is a Fréchet space. We extend this result to the almost periodic functions with values in an arbitrary locally convex space Y.

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## **1** Introduction and preliminaries

The almost periodic functions  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \to Y$ , where Y is a Fréchet space, form a vector space with the usual operations (see [1,7]). In this short note, we will extend this result to the almost periodic functions with values in an arbitrary locally convex space Y, in a more general context, and present an illustrative application to the integral equations.

Let us recall, if Y is a locally convex space and W is a base of balanced neighbourhoods of zero in Y, then a continuous function  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \to Y$  is said to be almost periodic if, for every  $W \in W$ , there exists a number l > 0 such that for each  $\mathbf{t}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  there exists a point  $\tau \in B(\mathbf{t}_0, l)$  such that  $F(\mathbf{t}+\tau)-F(\mathbf{t}) \in W$  for all  $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . If this is the case, the range of  $F(\cdot)$  is totally bounded in Y and  $F(\cdot)$  is uniformly continuous; the space of all almost periodic functions, denoted by  $AP(\mathbb{R}^n : Y)$ , is translation invariant, closed under uniform convergence and closed under reflexions at zero (cf. [10] and [11] for some pioneering results established by G. M. N'Guérékata in this direction). It is also worth noting that, in the research articles [5] and [8], the almost periodicity in some non locally convex spaces, namely the so-called p-Fréchet spaces, where 0 , has been studied.

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In our recent research article [4], we have considered several new classes of (metrically)  $\rho$ almost periodic type functions  $F : I \times X \to Y$ , where  $\emptyset \neq I \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ , X is an arbitrary non-empty set and Y is a locally convex space. In that paper, we have specifically introduced the following notion:

**Definition 1.1** Suppose that (C1) holds, where:

(C1)  $\emptyset \neq I \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n, \emptyset \neq I' \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n, I' + I \subseteq I, Y$  is a locally convex space over the field of complex numbers, the topology on Y is induced by the fundamental system  $\circledast_Y$  of seminorms,  $\rho$  is a binary relation on Y, X is an arbitrary non-empty set and  $\mathcal{B}$  is a collection of certain non-empty subsets of X such that for each  $x \in X$  there exists  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  with  $x \in B$ .

Let  $F : I \times X \to Y$ . Then we say that  $F(\cdot; \cdot)$  is pre- $(\mathcal{B}, I', \rho)$ -almost periodic if, for every  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\kappa \in \circledast_Y$  and  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ , there exists a finite real number L > 0 such that for each  $\mathbf{t}_0 \in I'$  there exists  $\tau \in B(\mathbf{t}_0, L) \cap I'$  such that, for every  $\mathbf{t} \in I$  and  $x \in B$ , there exists an element  $y_{\mathbf{t};x} \in \rho(F(\mathbf{t}; x))$ such that

$$\kappa(F(\mathbf{t}+\tau;x)-y_{\mathbf{t};x}) \le \epsilon, \quad \mathbf{t} \in I, \ x \in B.$$

If X is a topological space, then we say that  $F(\cdot; \cdot)$  is Bohr  $(\mathcal{B}, I', \rho)$ -almost periodic if  $F(\cdot; \cdot)$  is pre- $(\mathcal{B}, I', \rho)$ -almost periodic and continuous; furthermore, if  $\rho = cI$ , where  $c \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ , then we say that  $F(\cdot; \cdot)$  is (pre-)Bohr  $(\mathcal{B}, I', c)$ -almost periodic.

We omit the term " $\mathcal{B}$ " from the notation if  $X = \{0\}$ , the term " $\rho$ " from the notation if  $\rho = I$  and the term "I" from the notation if I' = I.

We will use the following result (cf. [4, Theorem 2.4(ii)]):

**Theorem 1.2** Suppose that  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , X is a topological space,  $\mathcal{B}$  is any family of compact subsets of X,  $Y_i$  is a Fréchet space for  $1 \le i \le k$  and the function  $F_i : \mathbb{R}^n \times X \to Y$  is Bohr  $\mathcal{B}$ -almost periodic for  $1 \le i \le k$ . Then the function  $(F_1, ..., F_k)(\cdot; \cdot)$  is Bohr  $\mathcal{B}$ -almost periodic.

### 2 The main results

If Y is a Fréchet space, then the Bochner criterion provides a necessary and sufficient condition for a bounded continuous function  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \to Y$  to be almost periodic. This result is essentially important in the proof of the fact that the almost periodic functions  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \to Y$ , where Y is a Fréchet space, form a vector space with the usual operations (see [7, Theorem 9, Theorem 10] for more details in this direction; let us also note that G. M. N'Guérékata has considered the almost periodic functions with values in Fréchet spaces in his monograph [12]). In this paper, we extend the above-mentioned result to the almost periodic functions with values in an arbitrary locally convex space Y following a completely different approach with the use of local Banach spaces.

Unless stated otherwise, we will always assume henceforth that (C1) holds. If  $\kappa \in \circledast_Y$ , then we define  $N_{\kappa} := \{y \in Y : \kappa(y) = 0\}$  and  $\rho_{\kappa} := \{(x + N_{\kappa}, y + N_{\kappa}) : (x, y) \in \rho\}$ . Let us consider now the vector space  $Y_{\kappa} := \{y + N_{\kappa} : y \in Y\}$ , equipped with the norm  $||y + N_{\kappa}||_{\kappa} := \kappa(y)$  for all  $y \in Y$ , and the corresponding canonical mapping  $q_{\kappa} : Y \to Y_{\kappa}$  defined by  $q_{\kappa}(y) := y + N_{\kappa}$  for

all  $y \in Y$ . It is clear that  $\rho_{\kappa}$  is a binary relation on  $Y_{\kappa}$ . Further on, the local Banach space for the seminorm  $\kappa$  is the completion  $(\hat{Y}_{\kappa}, \|\cdot\|_{\kappa})$  of the normed space  $(Y_{\kappa}, \|\cdot\|_{\kappa})$ , see [9, pp. 289–290] for more details on the subject.

We will use the following interesting construction of the completion  $(\hat{Y}_{\kappa}, \|\cdot\|_{\kappa})$  given in the research report [13] by F. J. Sayas:

Let  $c_{\kappa}$  be the vector space of all Cauchy sequences  $(x_m)_{m\in\mathbb{N}}$  in  $Y_{\kappa}$  and let  $c_{0,\kappa}$  be the vector space of all sequences  $(x_m)_{m\in\mathbb{N}}$  in  $Y_{\kappa}$  that converge to zero. Then the vector space  $\hat{Y}_{\kappa} := \{(x_m)_{m\in\mathbb{N}} + c_{0,\kappa} : (x_m)_{m\in\mathbb{N}} \in c_{\kappa}\}$ , equipped with the norm  $||(x_m)_{m\in\mathbb{N}} + c_{0,\kappa}||_{\kappa} := \lim_{m\to+\infty} ||x_m||_{\kappa}, (x_m)_{m\in\mathbb{N}} \in c_{\kappa}$  is a Banach space, and this space is exactly the completion of  $(Y_{\kappa}, || \cdot ||_{\kappa})$  since the mapping  $K_{\kappa} : Y_{\kappa} \to \hat{Y}_{\kappa}$ , given by  $K_{\kappa}(x) := (x, x, ..., x, ...) + c_{0,\kappa}$  for all  $x \in Y_{\kappa}$ , is an isometry and  $K_{\kappa}(Y_{\kappa})$  is dense in  $\hat{Y}_{\kappa}$ . If  $T \in L(Y)$  and for each  $\kappa \in \circledast_Y$  there exists c > 0 such that  $\kappa(Ty) \leq c\kappa(y)$  for all  $y \in Y$ , then we can simply prove that  $T(N_{\kappa}) \subseteq N_{\kappa}$  and, in this case, we can define the bounded linear operator  $T_{\kappa} \in L(Y_{\kappa})$  by  $T_{\kappa}(y + N_{\kappa}) := Ty + N_{\kappa}$ ,  $y \in Y$ . If we define  $\hat{T}_{\kappa}((x_m)_{m\in\mathbb{N}} + c_{0,\kappa}) := (T_{\kappa}x_m)_{m\in\mathbb{N}} + c_{0,\kappa}, (x_m)_{m\in\mathbb{N}} \in c_{\kappa}$ , then we have

$$\hat{T}_{\kappa} \in L(\hat{Y}_{\kappa}) \text{ and } \hat{T}_{\kappa}(K_{\kappa}(x)) = K_{\kappa}(T_{\kappa}x), \quad x \in Y_{\kappa}.$$
 (2.1)

Further on, we define  $\hat{\rho_{\kappa}} := \{(K_{\kappa}(x+N_{\kappa}), K_{\kappa}(y+N_{\kappa})) : (x,y) \in \rho\}$ , then  $\hat{\rho_{\kappa}}$  is a binary relation on  $\hat{Y_{\kappa}}$  and, if  $\rho = T \in L(Y)$  satisfies the above properties, then  $\hat{\rho_{\kappa}}$  is equal to the part of the operator  $\hat{T_{\kappa}}$  in the dense subspace  $K_{\kappa}(Y_{\kappa})$  of  $\hat{Y_{\kappa}}$ .

Now we are able to formulate the main result of this paper:

**Theorem 2.1** Suppose that (C1) holds and  $F : I \times X \to Y$ . Then the following hold:

- (i) If the function F(·; ·) is pre-(B, I', ρ)-almost periodic, then for each κ ∈ ⊛<sub>Y</sub> we have that the function F<sub>κ</sub> : I × X → Ŷ<sub>κ</sub>, given by F<sub>κ</sub>(t; x) := (K<sub>κ</sub> ∘ q<sub>κ</sub>)(F(t; x)), t ∈ I, x ∈ X is pre-(B, I', ρ<sub>κ</sub>)-almost periodic. Moreover, if X is a topological space and F(·; ·) is continuous, then F<sub>κ</sub>(·; ·) is continuous as well.
- (ii) Suppose that for each  $\kappa \in \circledast_Y$  the function  $F_{\kappa} : I \times X \to Y_{\kappa}$ , given by  $F_{\kappa}(\mathbf{t}; x) := (K_{\kappa} \circ q_{\kappa})(F(\mathbf{t}; x)), \mathbf{t} \in I, x \in X$  is pre- $(\mathcal{B}, I', \hat{\rho_{\kappa}})$ -almost periodic. Then the function  $F(\cdot; \cdot)$  is pre- $(\mathcal{B}, I', \rho)$ -almost periodic provided that (ii.1) or (ii.2) holds, where:
  - (ii.1)  $\rho = T \in L(Y)$  and for each  $\kappa \in \circledast_Y$  there exists c > 0 such that  $\kappa(Ty) \le c\kappa(y)$  for all  $y \in Y$ ;
  - (ii.2)  $\kappa(\cdot)$  is a norm on Y for every  $\kappa \in \circledast_Y$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that the function  $F(\cdot; \cdot)$  is pre- $(\mathcal{B}, I', \rho)$ -almost periodic and  $\kappa \in \circledast_Y$  is fixed. Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $B \in \mathcal{B}$  be given. Then we know that there exists a finite real number L > 0 such that for each  $\mathbf{t}_0 \in I'$  there exists  $\tau \in B(\mathbf{t}_0, L) \cap I'$  such that, for every  $\mathbf{t} \in I$  and  $x \in B$ , there exists an element  $y_{\mathbf{t};x} \in \rho(F(\mathbf{t};x))$  such that  $\kappa(F(\mathbf{t} + \tau;x) - y_{\mathbf{t};x}) \leq \epsilon$ ,  $\mathbf{t} \in I$ ,  $x \in B$ . This implies  $K_{\kappa}(y_{\mathbf{t};x} + N_{\kappa}) \in \hat{\rho_{\kappa}}(F(\mathbf{t};x))$ ,  $\mathbf{t} \in I$ ,  $x \in B$ . Therefore, it suffices to show that

$$\left\| K_{\kappa} \big( F(\mathbf{t} + \tau; x) + N_{\kappa} \big) - K_{\kappa} \big( y_{\mathbf{t};x} + N_{\kappa} \big) \right\|_{\hat{Y}_{\kappa}} \leq \epsilon, \quad \mathbf{t} \in I, \ x \in B.$$

Since  $K_{\kappa}(\cdot)$  is an isometry, this is equivalent to saying that  $||F(\mathbf{t} + \tau; x) - (y_{\mathbf{t};x} + N_{\kappa}||_{\kappa} \le \epsilon$  for all  $\mathbf{t} \in I$  and  $x \in B$ , *i.e.*,  $\kappa(F(\mathbf{t} + \tau; x) - y_{\mathbf{t};x}) \le \epsilon$  for all  $\mathbf{t} \in I$  and  $x \in B$ , which is true.

Clearly, if X is a topological space and  $F(\cdot; \cdot)$  is continuous, then the continuity of  $F_{\kappa}(\cdot; \cdot)$  follows immediately from the fact that  $q_{\kappa}(\cdot)$  is continuous and  $K_{\kappa}(\cdot)$  is an isometry.

Let us assume now that the requirements in part (ii) hold. Then, for every  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ , there exists a finite real number L > 0 such that for each  $\mathbf{t}_0 \in I'$  there exists  $\tau \in B(\mathbf{t}_0, L) \cap I'$  such that, for every  $\mathbf{t} \in I$  and  $x \in B$ , there exists an element  $G_{\kappa,x}(\mathbf{t}) \in \hat{\rho_{\kappa}}(K_{\kappa}(F(\mathbf{t};x) + N_{\kappa}))$  such that:

$$\left\| K_{\kappa} \big( F(\mathbf{t} + \tau; x) + N_{\kappa} \big) - G_{\kappa, x}(\mathbf{t}) \right\|_{\hat{Y}_{\kappa}} \le \epsilon, \quad \mathbf{t} \in I, \ x \in B.$$
(2.2)

Let  $\mathbf{t} \in I$  and  $x \in B$  be fixed. Then there exists  $(Y_1(\mathbf{t}; x), Y_2(\mathbf{t}; x)) \in \rho$  such that  $K_{\kappa}(F(\mathbf{t}; x) + N_{\kappa}) = K_{\kappa}(Y_1(\mathbf{t}; x) + N_{\kappa})$  and  $G_{\kappa,x}(\mathbf{t}) = K_{\kappa}(Y_2(\mathbf{t}; x) + N_{\kappa})$ . Since  $K_{\kappa}(\cdot)$  is an injective isometry, the above implies  $F(\mathbf{t}; x) + N_{\kappa} = Y_1(\mathbf{t}; x) + N_{\kappa}$ ; keeping in mind (2.2) and these equalities, we simply get

$$\left\|F(\mathbf{t}+\tau;x) - Y_2(\mathbf{t};x) + N_{\kappa}\right\|_{\kappa} \le \epsilon, \quad \mathbf{t} \in I, \ x \in B,$$
(2.3)

i.e.,

$$\kappa (F(\mathbf{t}+\tau; x) - Y_2(\mathbf{t}; x)) \le \epsilon, \quad \mathbf{t} \in I, \ x \in B.$$

Let (ii.1) hold. Then  $T(N_{\kappa}) \subseteq N_{\kappa}$ ,  $TY_1(\mathbf{t}; x) = Y_2(\mathbf{t}; x)$  and therefore

$$\kappa \big( F(\mathbf{t}+\tau;x) - Y_2(\mathbf{t};x) \big) = \kappa \big( F(\mathbf{t}+\tau;x) - TF(\mathbf{t};x) \big), \ \mathbf{t} \in I, \ x \in B.$$

This simply implies that  $F(\cdot; \cdot)$  is pre- $(\mathcal{B}, I', \rho)$ -almost periodic. On the other hand, if (ii.2) holds,  $\mathbf{t} \in I$  and  $x \in B$ , then we have  $F(\mathbf{t}; x) = Y_1(\mathbf{t}; x)$ , where the pair  $(Y_1(\mathbf{t}; x), Y_2(\mathbf{t}; x))$  satisfies the above requirements. This yields  $Y_2(\mathbf{t}; x) \in \rho(F(\mathbf{t}; x))$  and completes the proof in a routine manner.

We will also clarify the following result:

**Theorem 2.2** Suppose that (C1) holds,  $F : I \times X \to Y$ ,  $\rho = T \in L(Y)$  and for each  $\kappa \in \circledast_Y$  there exists c > 0 such that  $\kappa(Ty) \leq c\kappa(y)$  for all  $y \in Y$ . Then  $F(\cdot; \cdot)$  is pre- $(\mathcal{B}, I', T)$ -almost periodic if and only if for each  $\kappa \in \circledast_Y$  the function  $F_{\kappa} : I \times X \to \hat{Y}_{\kappa}$ , given by  $F_{\kappa}(\mathbf{t}; x) := (K_{\kappa} \circ q_{\kappa})(F(\mathbf{t}; x))$ ,  $\mathbf{t} \in I$ ,  $x \in X$ , is pre- $(\mathcal{B}, I', \hat{T}_{\kappa})$ -almost periodic.

*Proof.* If  $F(\cdot; \cdot)$  is pre- $(\mathcal{B}, I', T)$ -almost periodic, then Theorem 2.1(i) immediately yields that for each  $\kappa \in \bigotimes_Y$  the function  $F_{\kappa}(\cdot; \cdot)$  is pre- $(\mathcal{B}, I', \hat{T}_{\kappa})$ -almost periodic since  $\hat{T}_{\kappa}$  is an extension of  $\hat{\rho}_{\kappa}$ . To prove the converse statement, it suffices to repeat verbatim the corresponding part of the proof of Theorem 2.1(ii); let us only emphasize that we can use the fact that  $K_{\kappa}(\cdot)$  is an isometry and the equality stated in the second part of (2.1).

As an immediate corollary of Theorem 2.2, we have the following result:

**Corollary 2.3** Suppose that (C1) holds, X is a topological space,  $F : I \times X \to Y$  is continuous,  $\rho = T \in L(Y)$  and for each  $\kappa \in \circledast_Y$  there exists c > 0 such that  $\kappa(Ty) \leq c\kappa(y)$  for all  $y \in Y$ . Then  $F(\cdot; \cdot)$  is Bohr  $(\mathcal{B}, I', T)$ -almost periodic if and only if for each  $\kappa \in \circledast_Y$  the function  $F_{\kappa} : I \times X \to \hat{Y}_{\kappa}$ , given by  $F_{\kappa}(\mathbf{t}; x) := (K_{\kappa} \circ q_{\kappa})(F(\mathbf{t}; x)), \mathbf{t} \in I, x \in X$ , is Bohr  $(\mathcal{B}, I', \hat{T}_{\kappa})$ almost periodic. Keeping in mind Theorem 1.2, we can state the following important corollary:

**Theorem 2.4** Suppose that X is a topological space,  $\mathcal{B}$  is any family of compact subsets of X, Y is a locally convex space,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\beta \in \mathbb{C}$ . If the functions  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \times X \to Y$  and  $G : \mathbb{R}^n \times X \to Y$  are Bohr  $\mathcal{B}$ -almost periodic, then the function  $(\alpha F + \beta G)(\cdot; \cdot)$  is likewise Bohr  $\mathcal{B}$ -almost periodic.

*Proof.* The proof immediately follows from Corollary 2.3 with T = I and  $I = I' = \mathbb{R}^n$ , by observing that for each  $\kappa \in \circledast_Y$  we have  $(K_\kappa \circ q_\kappa)((\alpha F + \beta G)(\mathbf{t}; x)) = \alpha(K_\kappa \circ q_\kappa)(F(\mathbf{t}; x)) + \beta(K_\kappa \circ q_\kappa)(G(\mathbf{t}; x)), \mathbf{t} \in I, x \in X.$ 

If  $Y_1, ..., Y_k$  are locally convex spaces, then  $Y_1 \times ... \times Y_k$  is a locally convex space and the fundamental system of seminorms which defines the topology on  $Y_1 \times ... \times Y_k$  is given by  $\kappa(y_1, ..., y_k) := \kappa_1(y_1) + ... + \kappa_k(y_k), y_1 \in Y_1, ..., y_k \in Y_k$ , where  $\kappa_j(\cdot)$  runs through the all seminorms in  $\circledast_j$  for  $1 \le j \le k$ . Now we are able to formulate the following result:

**Theorem 2.5** Suppose that  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , X is a topological space,  $\mathcal{B}$  is any family of compact subsets of X,  $Y_i$  is a locally convex space for  $1 \le i \le k$  and the function  $F_i : \mathbb{R}^n \times X \to Y_i$  is Bohr  $\mathcal{B}$ -almost periodic for  $1 \le i \le k$ . Then the function  $(F_1, ..., F_k) : \mathbb{R}^n \times X \to Y_1 \times ... \times Y_k$  is Bohr  $\mathcal{B}$ -almost periodic.

*Proof.* If the function  $F_i : \mathbb{R}^n \times X \to Y_i$  is Bohr  $\mathcal{B}$ -almost periodic for  $1 \le i \le k$ , then the function  $F'_i : \mathbb{R}^n \times X \to Y_1 \times \ldots \times Y_k$  given by  $F'_i(\mathbf{t}; x) := (0, 0, \ldots, F_i(\mathbf{t}; x), \ldots, 0), \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^n, x \in X$  is Bohr  $\mathcal{B}$ -almost periodic for  $1 \le i \le k$ . Applying Theorem 2.4 and the mathematical induction, it readily follows that the function  $(F_1, \ldots, F_k) : \mathbb{R}^n \times X \to Y_1 \times \ldots \times Y_k$  is Bohr  $\mathcal{B}$ -almost periodic since  $(F_1, \ldots, F_k)(\mathbf{t}; x) = F'_1(\mathbf{t}; x) + \ldots + F'_k(\mathbf{t}; x)$  for all  $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $x \in X$ .

It is clear that Theorem 2.2 and Corollary 2.3 enable one to reformulate many structural results already known for the Bohr  $(\mathcal{B}, I', c)$ -almost periodic functions with values in complex Banach spaces to the Bohr  $(\mathcal{B}, I', c)$ -almost periodic functions with values in locally convex spaces ( $c \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ ). We can formulate the Maak criterion for almost periodic functions with values in locally convex spaces (see, *e.g.*, [2]) and we can consider the approximation of almost periodic functions with values in locally convex spaces by the trigonometric polynomials in the local Banach spaces (see, *e.g.*, [6] and references quoted therein); for example, we have the following result:

**Theorem 2.6** Suppose that  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \to Y$  is a bounded, continuous function. Then  $F(\cdot)$  is Bohr almost periodic if and only if for each  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $\kappa \in \mathfrak{B}$  there exists a trigonometric polynomial  $P : \mathbb{R}^n \to Y$  such that

$$\sup_{\mathbf{t}\in\mathbb{R}^n}\kappa\big(F(\mathbf{t})-P(\mathbf{t})\big)\leq\epsilon.$$

More details will appear somewhere else.

## **3** An application

In this section, we will provide an illustrative application of our results to the following integral equation:

$$u(\mathbf{t}) = f(\mathbf{t}) + \int_{-\infty}^{t_1} \int_{-\infty}^{t_2} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{t_n} a(\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{s})u(\mathbf{s}) \, d\mathbf{s}, \quad \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$
(3.1)

where X = Y is a sequentially complete locally convex space,  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \to Y$  is almost periodic,  $a \in L^1((0,\infty)^n)$  and  $u : \mathbb{R}^n \to Y$  is an unknown function; we can also consider the corresponding semilinear problem but we will skip all related details for the sake of brevity.

It can be easily shown that  $AP(\mathbb{R}^n : Y)$  is a sequentially complete locally convex space when equipped with the family of seminorms  $(\| \cdot \|_{\kappa,\infty})_{\kappa \in \circledast_Y}$ , where  $\|f\|_{\kappa,\infty} := \sup_{\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \kappa(f(\mathbf{t}))$  for all  $\kappa \in \circledast_Y$ . Further on, the mapping  $\Pi : AP(\mathbb{R}^n : Y) \to AP(\mathbb{R}^n : Y)$ , defined by

$$\left[\Pi u\right](t) := f(\mathbf{t}) + \int_{-\infty}^{t_1} \int_{-\infty}^{t_2} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{t_n} a(\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{s})u(\mathbf{s}) \, d\mathbf{s}, \quad \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \ u \in AP(\mathbb{R}^n : Y).$$

is well-defined due to Theorem 2.4 and a simple argumentation concerning the invariance of almost periodicity under the action of the infinite convolution product considered above (see, *e.g.*, [4] and [6]). Suppose now that  $\int_{(0,+\infty)^n} |a(\mathbf{s})| d\mathbf{s} < 1$ , then the mapping  $\Pi(\cdot)$  has a unique fixed point due to the well-known fixed point theorem of A. Deleanu and G. Marinescu [3, Theorem 1, p. 92]. This implies the required conclusion.

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