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# Local K-Convoluted C-Cosine Functions and Abstract Cauchy Problems

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**Abstract.** Let  $K : [0, T_0) \to \mathbb{F}$  be a locally integrable function, and  $C : X \to X$  a bounded linear operator on a Banach space X over the field  $\mathbb{F}(=\mathbb{R} \text{ or } \mathbb{C})$ . In this paper, we will deduce some basic properties of a nondegenerate local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X and some generation theorems of local Kconvoluted C-cosine functions on X with or without the nondegeneracy, which can be applied to obtain some equivalence relations between the generation of a nondegenerate local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X with subgenerator A and the unique existence of solutions of the abstract Cauchy problem: u''(t) =Au(t) + f(t) for a.e.  $t \in (0, T_0)$ , u(0) = x, u'(0) = y when K is a kernel on  $[0, T_0)$ ,  $C : X \to X$  an injection, and  $A : D(A) \subset X \to X$  a closed linear operator in X such that  $CA \subset AC$ . Here  $0 < T_0 \le \infty$ ,  $x, y \in X$ , and  $f \in L_{loc}^1([0, T_0), X)$ .

## 1. Introduction

Let *X* be a Banach space over the field  $\mathbb{F}(=\mathbb{R} \text{ or } \mathbb{C})$  with norm  $\|\cdot\|$ , and let L(X) denote the family of all bounded linear operators from *X* into itself. For each  $0 < T_0 \leq \infty$ , we consider the following abstract Cauchy problem:

$$ACP(A, f, x, y) \qquad \begin{cases} u''(t) = Au(t) + f(t) & \text{ for a.e. } t \in (0, T_0), \\ u(0) = x, u'(0) = y, \end{cases}$$

where  $x, y \in X, A : D(A) \subset X \to X$  is a closed linear operator, and  $f \in L^1_{loc}([0, T_0), X)$ . A function u is called a (strong) solution of ACP(A, f, x, y) if  $u \in C^1([0, T_0), X$ ) satisfies ACP(A, f, x, y) (that is u(0) = x, u'(0) = y and for a.e.  $t \in (0, T_0), u'(t)$  is differentiable and  $u(t) \in D(A)$ , and u''(t) = Au(t) + f(t) for a.e.  $t \in (0, T_0)$ ). For each  $C \in L(X)$  and  $K \in L^1_{loc}([0, T_0), \mathbb{F})$ , a subfamily  $C(\cdot)(= \{C(t) \mid 0 \le t < T_0\})$  of L(X) is called a local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X if  $C(\cdot)$  is strongly continuous,  $C(\cdot)C = CC(\cdot)$ , and satisfies

$$2C(t)C(s)x = \left(\int_0^{t+s} -\int_0^t -\int_0^s\right) K(t+s-r)C(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^t K(s-t+r)C(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^s K(t-s+r)C(r)Cxdr + \int_0^{|t-s|} K(|t-s|+r)C(r)Cxdr\right)$$

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for all  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$  and  $x \in X$  (see [8]). In particular,  $C(\cdot)$  is called a local (0-times integrated) *C*-cosine function on *X* if  $K = j_{-1}$  (the Dirac measure at 0) or equivalently, it is strongly continuous,  $C(\cdot)C = CC(\cdot)$ , and satisfies

$$2C(t)C(s)x = C(t+s)Cx + C(|t-s|)Cx$$
 for all  $0 \le t, s, t+s < T_0$  and  $x \in X$ 

(see [4,6,19,21]). Moreover, we say that  $C(\cdot)$  is nondegenerate, if x = 0 whenever C(t)x = 0 for all  $0 \le t < T_0$ . The nondegeneracy of a local *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function  $C(\cdot)$  on *X* implies that

C(0) = C if  $K = j_{-1}$ , and C(0) = 0 (the zero operator on X) otherwise,

and the (integral) generator  $A : D(A) \subset X \to X$  of  $C(\cdot)$  is a closed linear operator in X defined by

 $D(A) = \{x \in X \mid \text{ there exists a } y_x \in X \text{ such that } C(\cdot)x - K_0(\cdot)Cx = \widetilde{S}(\cdot)y_x \text{ on } [0, T_0)\}$ 

and  $Ax = y_x$  for all  $x \in D(A)$ . Here  $K_{\beta}(t) = K * j_{\beta}(t) = \int_0^t K(t-s)j_{\beta}(s)ds$  for  $\beta > -1$  with  $j_{\beta}(t) = \frac{t^{\beta}}{\Gamma(\beta+1)}$  and the Gamma function  $\Gamma(\cdot)$ ,  $S(s)z = \int_0^s C(r)zdr$ , and  $\widetilde{S}(t)z = \int_0^t S(s)zds$ . In general, a local *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X* is called a *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X* if  $T_0 = \infty$ ; a (local) *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function on X is called a (local) K-convoluted cosine function on X if C = I (the identity operator on X) or a (local)  $\alpha$ -times integrated C-cosine function on X if  $K = i_{\alpha-1}$  for some  $\alpha \ge 0$  (see [12-14,16]); a (local)  $\alpha$ -times integrated C-cosine function on X is called a (local)  $\alpha$ -times integrated cosine function on X if C = I (see [15]); and a (local) C-cosine function on X is called a cosine function on X if C = I (see [1,5]). Moreover, a local  $\alpha$ -times integrated cosine function on X is not necessarily extendable to an  $\alpha$ -times integrated cosine function on X except for  $\alpha = 0$  (see [5]), the nondegeneracy of a local  $\alpha$ -times integrated C-cosine function on *X* does not imply the injectivity of *C* except for  $T_0 = \infty$  (see [12]), and the injectivity of *C* does not imply the nondegeneracy of a local  $\alpha$ -times integrated C-cosine function on X except for  $\alpha = 0$  (see [19]). Some basic properites of a nondegenerate (local)  $\alpha$ -times integrated C-cosine function on X have been established by many authors in [11,22] when  $\alpha = 0$ , in [7,17-18,23-24] when  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}$ , in [12] when  $\alpha > 0$  is arbitrary with  $T_0 = \infty$  and in [16] for the general case  $0 < T_0 \le \infty$ , which can be applied to deduce some equivalence relations between the generation of a nondegenerate (local)  $\alpha$ -times integrated C-cosine function on X with subgenerator A (see Definition 2.4 below) and the unique existence of strong or weak solutions of the abstract Cauchy problem ACP(A, f, x, y) (see the results in [7,12] for the case  $T_0 = \infty$  and in [13-14,16] for the general case  $0 < T_0 \le \infty$ ). The purpose of this paper is to investigate the following basic properties of a nondegenerate local K-convoluted C-cosine function  $C(\cdot)$  on X when C is injective and some additional conditions are taken into consideration.

$$C^{-1}AC = A; \tag{1}$$

$$\widetilde{S}(t)x \in D(A)$$
 and  $A\widetilde{S}(t)x = C(t)x - K_0(t)Cx$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t < T_0$ ; (2)

$$C(t)x \in D(A) \quad \text{and} \ AC(t)x = C(t)Ax \quad \text{for all } x \in D(A) \quad \text{and} \ 0 \le t < T_0; \tag{3}$$

and

$$C(t)C(s) = C(s)C(t) \quad \text{for all } 0 \le t, s, t+s < T_0 \tag{4}$$

(see Theorems 2.7 and 2.11, and Corollary 2.12 below). We then deduce some equivalence relations between the generation of a nondegenerate local *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X* with subgenerator *A* and the unique existence of strong solutions of ACP(A, f, x, y) in section 3 just as results in [16] concerning some equivalence relations between the generation of a nondegenerate local  $\alpha$ -times *C*-cosine function on *X* with subgenerator on *X* with subgenerator *A* and the unique existence of strong solutions of ACP(A, f, x, y) in section 3 just as results in [16] concerning some equivalence relations between the generation of a nondegenerate local  $\alpha$ -times *C*-cosine function on *X* with subgenerator *A* and the unique existence of strong solutions of ACP(A, f, x, y). To do these, we will prove an

important lemma which shows that a strongly continuous subfamily  $C(\cdot)$  of L(X) is a local K-convoluted Ccosine function on X is equivalent to say that  $S(\cdot)$  is a local  $K_1$ -convoluted C-cosine function on X (see Lemma 2.1 below), and then show that a strongly continuous subfamily  $C(\cdot)$  of L(X) which commutes with C on X is a local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X is equivalent to say that  $S(t)[C(s) - K_0(s)C] = [C(t) - K_0(t)C]S(s)$ for all  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$  (see Theorem 2.2 below). In order, we show that  $a * C(\cdot)$  is a local a \* K-convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X* if  $C(\cdot)$  is a local *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X* and  $a \in L^1_{loc}([0, T_0), \mathbb{F})$ . In particular,  $j_{\beta} * C(\cdot)$  is a local  $K_{\beta}$ -convoluted C-cosine function on X if  $C(\cdot)$  is a local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X and  $\beta > -1$  (see Proposition 2.3 below), where  $f * C(t)x = \int_0^t f(t-s)C(s)xds$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $f \in L^1_{loc}([0, T_0), \mathbb{F})$ . We also show that a strongly continuous subfamily  $C(\cdot)$  of L(X) which commutes with C on X is a local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X when  $C(\cdot)$  has a subgenerator (see Theorem 2.5 below), which had been proven in [8] by another method similar to that already employed in [12] in the case that  $C(\cdot)$  has a closed subgenerator and C is injective; and the generator of a nondegenerate local K-convoluted C-cosine function  $C(\cdot)$  on X is the unique subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$  which contains all subgenerators of  $C(\cdot)$  and each subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$  is closable and its closure is also a subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$  when  $C(\cdot)$  has a subgenerator (see Theorems 2.7 and 2.11, and Corollary 2.12 below). This can be applied to show that  $CA \subset AC$  and  $C(\cdot)$ is a nondegenerate local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X with generator  $C^{-1}AC$  when C is injective,  $K_0$  a kernel on  $[0, T_0)$  (that is, f = 0 on  $[0, T_0)$  whenever  $f \in C([0, T_0), \mathbb{F})$  with  $\int_0^t K_0(t-s)f(s)ds = 0$  for all  $0 \le t < T_0$  and  $C(\cdot)$  a strongly continuous subfamily of L(X) with closed subgenerator A. In this case,  $C^{-1}\overline{A_0}C$  is the generator of  $C(\cdot)$  for each subgenerator  $A_0$  of  $C(\cdot)$  (see Theorem 2.13 below). Some illustrative examples concerning these theorems are also presented in the final part of paper.

#### 2. Basic Properties of Local K-Convoluted C-Cosine Functions

We will deduce an important lemma which can be applied to obtain an equivalence relation between the generation of a local *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function  $C(\cdot)$  on *X* and the equation

$$S(t)[C(s) - K_0(s)C] = [C(t) - K_0(t)C]S(s) \quad \text{for all } 0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0,$$
(5)

(see a result in [16] for the case of local  $\alpha$ -times integrated *C*-cosine function and a corresponding statement in [9] for the case of (a, k)-regularized  $(C_1, C_2)$ -existence and uniqueness family). **Lemma 2.1** Let  $C(\cdot)$  be a strongly continuous subfamily of L(X). Then  $C(\cdot)$  is a local *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X* if and only if  $\widetilde{S}(\cdot)$  is a local  $K_1$ -convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X*.

Proof. We will show that

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \left( \int_{0}^{t+s} - \int_{0}^{t} - \int_{0}^{s} \right) K_{1}(t+s-r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^{t} K_{1}(s-t+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^{s} K_{1}(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{0}^{|t-s|} K_{1}(|t-s|+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr \right] \\
= \left( \int_{0}^{t+s} - \int_{0}^{t} - \int_{0}^{s} \right) K_{0}(t+s-r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + sgn(s-t) \int_{|t-s|}^{t} K_{0}(s-t+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + sgn(t-s) \int_{|t-s|}^{s} K_{0}(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{0}^{|t-s|} K_{0}(|t-s|+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + sgn(t-s) \int_{|t-s|}^{s} K_{0}(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{0}^{|t-s|} K_{0}(|t-s|+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + sgn(t-s) \int_{|t-s|}^{s} K_{0}(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{0}^{|t-s|} K_{0}(|t-s|+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + Sgn(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{0}^{|t-s|} K_{0}(|t-s|+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + Sgn(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + Sgn(t-s+r)\widetilde{$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \left[ \left( \int_0^{t+s} - \int_0^t - \int_0^s \right) K_1(t+s-r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr + \int_{|t-s|}^t K_1(s-t+r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr + \int_{|t-s|}^s K_1(t-s+r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr \\ + \int_0^{|t-s|} K_1(|t-s|+r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr \right] + 2K_0(s) \widetilde{S}(t) Cx \end{aligned}$$

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$$= \left(\int_{0}^{t+s} - \int_{0}^{t} - \int_{0}^{s}\right) K(t+s-r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^{t} K(s-t+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^{s} K(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{0}^{|t-s|} K(|t-s|+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{0}^{t} K(|t-s|+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr +$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$ , where sgn(t) = 1 if 0 < t, sgn(0) = 0, and sgn(t) = -1 if t < 0. Indeed, for  $0 \le s \le t < T_0$  with  $t + s < T_0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \left( \int_{0}^{t+s} - \int_{0}^{t} - \int_{0}^{s} \right) K_{1}(t+s-r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{t-s}^{t} K_{1}(s-t+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{0}^{s} K_{1}(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr \right] \\ &= \left[ \left( \int_{0}^{t+s} - \int_{0}^{t} - \int_{0}^{s} \right) K_{0}(t+s-r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr - K_{1}(s)\widetilde{S}(t)Cx \right] + \left[ K_{1}(s)\widetilde{S}(t)Cx - \int_{t-s}^{t} K_{0}(s-t+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr \right] \\ &+ \int_{0}^{s} K_{0}(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr \\ &= \left( \int_{0}^{t+s} - \int_{0}^{t} - \int_{0}^{s} \right) K_{0}(t+s-r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + sgn(t-s) \int_{|t-s|}^{s} K_{0}(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr \\ &+ sgn(s-t) \int_{|t-s|}^{t} K_{0}(s-t+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + sgn(t-s) \int_{|t-s|}^{s} K_{0}(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr \\ &+ \int_{0}^{|t-s|} K_{0}(|t-s|+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \left( \int_{0}^{t+s} - \int_{0}^{t} - \int_{0}^{s} \right) K_{0}(t+s-r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr - \int_{t-s}^{t} K_{0}(s-t+r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr + \int_{0}^{s} K_{0}(t-s+r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr \right. \\ &+ 2K_{0}(s) \widetilde{S}(t) Cx \\ &= \left( \int_{0}^{t+s} - \int_{0}^{t} - \int_{0}^{s} \right) K(t+s-r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr - 2K_{0}(s) \widetilde{S}(t) Cx + \int_{t-s}^{t} K(s-t+r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr \\ &+ \int_{0}^{s} K(t-s+r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr + 2K_{0}(s) \widetilde{S}(t) Cx \\ &= \left( \int_{0}^{t+s} - \int_{0}^{t} - \int_{0}^{s} \right) K(t+s-r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr + \int_{t-s}^{t} K(s-t+r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr + \int_{0}^{s} K(t-s+r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr \\ &= \left( \int_{0}^{t+s} - \int_{0}^{t} - \int_{0}^{s} \right) K(t+s-r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr + \int_{t-s}^{t} K(s-t+r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr + \int_{0}^{s} K(t-s+r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr \\ &= \left( \int_{0}^{t+s} - \int_{0}^{t} - \int_{0}^{s} \right) K(t+s-r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr + \int_{|t-s|}^{t} K(s-t+r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr \\ &+ \int_{|t-s|}^{s} K(t-s+r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr + \int_{0}^{|t-s|} K(|t-s|+r) \widetilde{S}(r) Cx dr. \end{aligned}$$

That is, (6) and (7) both hold for all  $0 \le s \le t < T_0$  with  $t + s < T_0$ . Similarly, we can show that (6) and (7) both also hold when  $0 \le t \le s < T_0$  with  $t + s < T_0$ . Clearly, the right-hand side of (7) is symmetric in t, s with  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$ . It follows that

$$\frac{d^2}{ds^2} \left[ \left( \int_0^{t+s} - \int_0^t - \int_0^s \right) K_1(t+s-r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^t K_1(s-t+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^s K_1(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_0^{|t-s|} K_1(|t-s|+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr \right] + 2K_0(t)\widetilde{S}(s)Cx$$

$$= \left(\int_{0}^{t+s} - \int_{0}^{t} - \int_{0}^{s}\right) K(t+s-r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^{t} K(s-t+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^{s} K(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{0}^{|t-s|} K(|t-s|+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr$$

$$\tag{8}$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$ . Using integration by parts twice, we obtain

$$\left( \int_{0}^{t+s} - \int_{0}^{t} - \int_{0}^{s} \right) K(t+s-r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^{t} K(s-t+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^{s} K(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{0}^{|t-s|} K(|t-s|+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr = \left( \int_{0}^{t+s} - \int_{0}^{t} - \int_{0}^{s} \right) K_{1}(t+s-r)C(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^{t} K_{1}(s-t+r)C(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^{s} K_{1}(t-s+r)C(r)Cxdr + \int_{0}^{|t-s|} K_{1}(|t-s|+r)C(r)Cxdr + 2K_{0}(t)\widetilde{S}(s)Cx + 2K_{0}(s)\widetilde{S}(t)Cx$$
(9)

for all  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$ . Suppose that  $\widetilde{S}(\cdot)$  is a local  $K_1$ -convoluted C-cosine function on X. Then we have by (8)-(9) that

$$\begin{split} & 2\widetilde{S}(t)C(s)x = 2\frac{d^2}{ds^2}\widetilde{S}(t)\widetilde{S}(s)x \\ = & (\int_0^{t+s} -\int_0^t -\int_0^s)K_1(t+s-r)C(r)Cxdr \\ & +\int_{|t-s|}^t K_1(s-t+r)C(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^s K_1(t-s+r)C(r)Cxdr \\ & +\int_0^{|t-s|} K_1(|t-s|+r)C(r)Cxdr + 2K_0(s)\widetilde{S}(t)Cx \end{split}$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$ , so that

$$2C(t)C(s)x = 2\frac{d^2}{dt^2}\widetilde{S}(t)C(s)x$$
  
=  $\left(\int_0^{t+s} -\int_0^t -\int_0^s\right)K(t+s-r)C(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^t K(s-t+r)C(r)Cxdr$   
+  $\int_{|t-s|}^s K(t-s+r)C(r)Cxdr + \int_0^{|t-s|} K(|t-s|+r)C(r)Cxdr$  (10)

for all  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$ . Hence,  $C(\cdot)$  is a local *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X*. Conversely, let  $C(\cdot)$  be a local *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X*. We will apply Fubini's theorem for double integrals twice to obtain

$$2C(t)\widetilde{S}(s)x = \left[ \left( \int_{0}^{t+s} - \int_{0}^{t} - \int_{0}^{s} \right) K_{1}(t+s-r)C(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^{t} K_{1}(s-t+r)C(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^{s} K_{1}(t-s+r)C(r)Cxdr + \int_{0}^{|t-s|} K_{1}(|t-s|+r)C(r)Cxdr \right] + 2K_{0}(t)\widetilde{S}(s)Cx$$

$$(11)$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$ . Let  $x \in X$  be given, then for  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$  with  $t \ge s$ , we have

$$\int_{0}^{\tau} \int_{t}^{t+\lambda} K(t+\lambda-r)C(r)Cxdrd\lambda$$

$$= \int_{t}^{t+\tau} \int_{r-t}^{\tau} K(t+\lambda-r)C(r)Cxd\lambda dr$$

$$= \int_{t}^{t+\tau} K_{0}(t+\tau-r)C(r)Cxdr,$$
(12)

$$\int_{0}^{\tau} \int_{0}^{\lambda} K(t + \lambda - r)C(r)Cxdrd\lambda$$

$$= \int_{0}^{\tau} \int_{r}^{\tau} K(t + \lambda - r)C(r)Cxd\lambda dr$$

$$= \int_{0}^{\tau} K_{0}(t + \tau - r)C(r)Cxdr - K_{0}(t)S(\tau)Cx,$$
(13)

$$\int_{0}^{\tau} \int_{t-\lambda}^{t} K(\lambda - t + r)C(r)Cxdrd\lambda$$

$$= \int_{t-\tau}^{t} \int_{t-r}^{\tau} K(\lambda - t + r)C(r)Cxd\lambda dr$$

$$= \int_{t-\tau}^{t} K_{0}(\tau - t + r)C(r)Cxdr,$$
(14)

and

$$\int_{0}^{\tau} \int_{0}^{\lambda} K(t - \lambda + r)C(r)Cxdrd\lambda$$
  
= 
$$\int_{0}^{\tau} \int_{r}^{\tau} K(t - \lambda + r)C(r)Cxd\lambda dr$$
(15)  
= 
$$K_{0}(t)S(\tau)Cx - \int_{0}^{\tau} K_{0}(t - \tau + r)C(r)Cxdr$$

for all  $0 \le \tau \le s$ . Observe that (12)-(15) also imply

$$\int_{0}^{s} \int_{t}^{t+\tau} K_{0}(t+\tau-r)C(r)Cxdrd\tau = \int_{t}^{t+s} K_{1}(t+s-r)C(r)Cxdr,$$
(16)

$$\int_{0}^{s} \left[ \int_{0}^{\tau} K_{0}(t+\tau-r)C(r)Cxdr - K_{0}(t)S(\tau)Cx \right] d\tau$$

$$= \left[ \int_{0}^{s} K_{1}(t+s-r)C(r)Cxdr - K_{1}(t)S(s)Cx \right] - K_{0}(t)\widetilde{S}(s)Cx,$$
(17)

$$\int_{0}^{s} \int_{t-\tau}^{t} K_{0}(\tau - t + r)C(r)Cxdrd\tau = \int_{t-s}^{t} K_{1}(s - t + r)C(r)Cxdr,$$
(18)

and

$$\int_{0}^{s} [K_{0}(t)S(\tau)Cx - \int_{0}^{\tau} K_{0}(t - \tau + r)C(r)Cxdr]d\tau$$

$$= K_{0}(t)\widetilde{S}(s)Cx + [\int_{0}^{s} K_{1}(t - s + r)C(r)Cxdr - K_{1}(t)S(s)Cx].$$
(19)

Combining (16)-(17), we obtain (11) for all  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$  with  $t \ge s$ . Similarly, we can show that (11) also holds when  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$  with  $s \ge t$ . By (7), (9) and (11), we have

$$2C(t)S(s)x$$

$$=\frac{d^2}{dt^2}\left[\left(\int_0^{t+s} -\int_0^t -\int_0^s\right)K_1(t+s-r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr$$

$$+\int_{|t-s|}^t K_1(s-t+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^s K_1(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr$$

$$+\int_0^{|t-s|} K_1(|t-s|+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr\right]$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$ . Combining this and (6) with t = 0, we conclude that  $\widetilde{S}(\cdot)$  is a local  $K_1$ -convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X*.

**Theorem 2.2** Let  $C(\cdot)$  be a strongly continuous subfamily of L(X) which commutes with C on X. Then  $C(\cdot)$  is a local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X if and only if  $\widetilde{S}(t)[C(s) - K_0(s)C] = [C(t) - K_0(t)C]\widetilde{S}(s)$  for all  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$ .

*Proof.* Let  $C(\cdot)$  be a local *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X*. By (7) and (8), we have  $2C(t)\widetilde{S}(s)x + 2K_0(s)\widetilde{S}(t)Cx = 2\widetilde{S}(t)C(s)x + 2K_0(t)\widetilde{S}(s)Cx$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$  or equivalently,  $\widetilde{S}(t)[C(s) - K_0(s)C] = [C(t) - K_0(t)C]\widetilde{S}(s)$  for all  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$ . Conversely, suppose that (5) holds for all  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$ . Then  $\widetilde{S}(t)C(s)x - C(t)\widetilde{S}(s)x = K_0(s)\widetilde{S}(t)Cx - K_0(t)\widetilde{S}(s)Cx$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$ . Fix  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$ . Fix  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$ . With  $t \ge s$ . Then we have

$$\widetilde{S}(t+s-r)C(r)x - C(t+s-r)\widetilde{S}(r)x$$

$$=K_0(r)\widetilde{S}(t+s-r)Cx - K_0(t+s-r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cx$$
(20)

for all  $0 \le r \le t$ , and

$$\widetilde{S}(s-t+r)C(r)x - C(s-t+r)\widetilde{S}(r)x$$

$$=K_0(r)\widetilde{S}(s-t+r)Cx - K_0(s-t+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cx$$
(21)

for all  $t - s \le r \le t$ . Using integration by parts to left-hand sides of the integrations of (20)-(21) and change of variables to right-hand sides of the integrations of (20)-(21), we obtain

$$\widetilde{S}(s)S(t)x + S(s)\widetilde{S}(t)x = \left(\int_0^{t+s} - \int_0^t - \int_0^s \right) K_0(t+s-r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr$$

and

$$\widetilde{S}(s)S(t)x - S(s)\widetilde{S}(t)x = \int_0^s K_0(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr - \int_{t-s}^t K_0(s-t+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr,$$

so that

$$2\widetilde{S}(s)S(t)x = \left(\int_0^{t+s} -\int_0^t -\int_0^s\right) K_0(t+s-r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr -\int_{t-s}^t K_0(s-t+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_0^s K_0(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{split} 2\widetilde{S}(s)C(t)x = & \left(\int_0^{t+s} - \int_0^t - \int_0^s\right) K(t+s-r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{t-s}^t K(s-t+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr \\ & + \int_0^s K(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr - 2K_0(s)\widetilde{S}(t)Cx, \end{split}$$

which implies that

$$2\widetilde{S}(s)C(t)x + 2K_0(s)\widetilde{S}(t)Cx = \left(\int_0^{t+s} -\int_0^t -\int_0^s\right)K(t+s-r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^t K(s-t+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^s K(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_0^{|t-s|}K(|t-s|+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr.$$

$$(22)$$

Similarly, we can show that (22) also holds when  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$  with  $s \ge t$ . Combining this with (7), we have

$$\begin{split} 2\widetilde{S}(s)C(t)x = & \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \left[ \left( \int_0^{t+s} - \int_0^t - \int_0^s \right) K_1(t+s-r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_{|t-s|}^t K_1(s-t+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr \\ & + \int_{|t-s|}^s K_1(t-s+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr + \int_0^{|t-s|} K_1(|t-s|+r)\widetilde{S}(r)Cxdr \right]. \end{split}$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t, s, t + s < T_0$ . Consequently,  $\widetilde{S}(\cdot)$  is a local  $K_1$ -convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X*. Combining this with Lemma 2.1, we get that  $C(\cdot)$  is a local *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X*.

By slightly modifying the proof of [16, Proposition 2.3], the next result concerning local *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine functions on X is also attained.

**Proposition 2.3** Let  $C(\cdot)$  be a local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X and  $a \in L^1_{loc}([0, T_0), \mathbb{F})$ . Then  $a * C(\cdot)$  is a local a \* K-convoluted C-cosine function on X. In particular, for each  $\beta > -1$   $j_{\beta} * C(\cdot)$  is a local  $K_{\beta}$ -convoluted C-cosine function on X. Moreover,  $C(\cdot)$  is a local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X if it is a strongly continuous subfamily of L(X) such that  $S(\cdot)$  is a local K<sub>0</sub>-convoluted C-cosine function on X.

**Definition 2.4** *Let*  $C(\cdot)$  *be a strongly continuous subfamily of* L(X)*. A linear operator* A *in* X *is called a subgenerator of*  $C(\cdot)$  *if* 

$$C(t)x - K_0(t)Cx = \int_0^t \int_0^s C(r)Axdrds$$
(23)

for all  $x \in D(A)$  and  $0 \le t < T_0$ , and

$$\int_0^t \int_0^s C(r)x dr ds \in D(A) \quad and \ A \int_0^t \int_0^s C(r)x dr ds = C(t)x - K_0(t)Cx$$
(24)

for all  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t < T_0$ . A subgenerator A of  $C(\cdot)$  is called the maximal subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$  if it is an extension of each subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$  to D(A).

Applying Theorem 2.2, we can obtain the next result concerning the generation of a local *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function  $C(\cdot)$  on *X*, which had been proven in [8] by another method similar to that already employed in [12] in the case that  $C(\cdot)$  has a closed subgenerator and *C* is injective.

**Theorem 2.5** Let  $C(\cdot)$  be a strongly continuous subfamily of L(X) which commutes with C on X. Assume that  $C(\cdot)$  has a subgenerator. Then  $C(\cdot)$  is a local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X. Moreover,  $C(\cdot)$  is nondegenerate if the injectivity of C is added and  $K_0$  is a non-zero function on  $[0, T_0)$ .

*Proof.* Let *A* be a subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ . By (24), we have

$$[C(t) - K_0(t)C]\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x = \widetilde{S}(t)A\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x = \widetilde{S}(t)[C(\cdot) - K_0(\cdot)C]x$$

on  $[0, T_0 - t)$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t < T_0$ . Applying Theorem 2.2, we get that  $C(\cdot)$  is a local *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X*. Suppose that *C* is injective,  $K_0$  is a non-zero function,  $x \in X$  and C(t)x = 0,  $t \in [0, T_0)$ . By (24), we have  $K_0(\cdot)Cx = 0$  on  $[0, T_0)$ , and so Cx = 0. Hence, x = 0, which implies that  $C(\cdot)$  is nondegenerate.  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 2.6** Let A be a closed subgenerator of a strongly continuous subfamily  $C(\cdot)$  of L(X), and  $K_0$  a kernel on  $[0, t_0)$  (or equivalently, K is a kernel on  $[0, t_0)$ ) for some  $0 < t_0 \le T_0$ . Assume that C is injective and  $u \in C([0, t_0), X)$  satisfies  $u(\cdot) = Aj_1 * u(\cdot)$  on  $[0, t_0)$ . Then u = 0 on  $[0, t_0)$ .

*Proof.* We observe from (23) and (24) that  $A \int_0^t \int_0^s C(t)x dt ds = \int_0^t \int_0^s C(t)Ax dt ds$  for all  $x \in D(A)$  and  $0 \le t < T_0$ . Combining this with the closedness of A, we have C(t)Ax = AC(t)x for all  $x \in D(A)$  and  $0 \le t < T_0$ , and so  $\int_0^t C(t-s)u(s)ds = \int_0^t C(t-s)Aj_1 * u(s)ds = \int_0^t AC(t-s)j_1 * u(s)ds = A \int_0^t C(t-s)j_1 * u(s)ds = A\widetilde{S} * u(t) = \int_0^t C(t-s)u(s)ds - C \int_0^t K_0(t-s)u(s)ds$  for all  $0 \le t < t_0$ . Hence,  $\int_0^t K_0(t-s)u(s)ds = 0$  for all  $0 \le t < t_0$ , which implies that u(t) = 0 for all  $0 \le t < t_0$ .

**Theorem 2.7** Let  $C(\cdot)$  be a nondegenerate local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X with generator A. Assume that  $C(\cdot)$  has a subgenerator. Then A is the maximal subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ , and each subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$  is closable and its closure is also a subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ . Moreover, if C is injective. Then (1)-(3) hold, and (4) also holds when  $K_0$  is a kernel on  $[0, T_0)$  or  $T_0 = \infty$ .

*Proof.* Let *B* be a subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ . Clearly,  $B \subset A$ . It follows that  $C(t)z - K_0(t)Cz = B \int_0^t \int_0^s C(r)z dr ds =$  $A \int_0^t \int_0^s C(r)z dr ds$  for all  $z \in X$  and  $0 \le t < T_0$ , which together with the definition of A implies that A is also a subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ . To show that each subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$  is closable and its closure is also a subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ . We will show that B is closable. Let  $x_k \in D(B)$ ,  $x_k \to 0$ , and  $Bx_k \to y$  in X. Then  $x_k \in D(A)$  and  $Ax_k = Bx_k \to y$ . By the closedness of A, we have y = 0. In order to show that  $\overline{B}$ is a subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ . Let  $x \in D(\overline{B})$  be given, then  $x_k \to x$  and  $Bx_k \to \overline{B}x$  in X for sequence  $\{x_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ in D(B). By (23), we have  $C(t)x_k - K_0(t)Cx_k = \int_0^t \int_0^s C(r)Bx_k dr ds$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $0 \le t < T_0$ . Letting  $k \to \infty$ , we get that  $C(t)x - K_0(t)Cx = \int_0^t \int_0^s C(r)\overline{B}x dr ds$  for all  $0 \le t < T_0$ . Since  $B \subset \overline{B}$ , we also have  $C(t)z - K_0(t)Cz = B \int_0^t \int_0^s C(r)z dr ds = \overline{B} \int_0^t \int_0^s C(r)z dr ds$  for all  $z \in X$  and  $0 \le t < T_0$ . Consequently, the closure of *B* is a subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ . To show that *A* is the maximal subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ . We will apply Zorn's lemma to show that  $C(\cdot)$  has a subgenerator which does not have a proper extension that is still a subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ . To do this. Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be the family of all subgenerators of  $C(\cdot)$ . We define a partial order " $\subset$ " on  $\mathcal{F}$  by  $f \subset g$  if g is an extension of f to D(g). Suppose that  $\mathcal{A}$  is a chain of  $\mathcal{F}$ . Define  $A_0 : D(A_0) \subset X \to X$  by  $D(A_0) = \bigcup_{f \in \mathcal{A}} D(f)$  and  $A_0x = fx$  whenever  $x \in D(A_0)$  with  $x \in D(f)$  for some  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ , then  $A_0$  is well-defined and a subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ , and so  $A_0$  is an upper bound of  $\mathcal{A}$  in  $(\mathcal{F}, \subset)$ . By Zorn's lemma,  $(\mathcal{F}, \subset)$  has a maximal element *B* which is a subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ , and does not have a proper extension that is still a subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ . In particular,  $B \subset A$ . Similarly, we can show that B is the maximal subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ , which implies that  $A \subset B$ . Clearly, (2) and (3) both hold because A is the maximal subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ . To show that (1) holds when *C* is injective, we will show that  $A \subset C^{-1}AC$  or equivalently,  $CA \subset AC$ . Let  $x \in D(A)$  be given, then  $K_2(t)Cx = \widetilde{S}(t)x - j_1 * \widetilde{S}(t)Ax \in D(A)$  and

$$AK_{2}(t)Cx = A\overline{S}(t)x - Aj_{1} * \overline{S}(t)Ax$$
$$= A\overline{S}(t)x - [\overline{S}(t)Ax - K_{2}(t)CAx]$$
$$= K_{2}(t)CAx$$

for all  $0 \le t < T_0$ , so that CAx = ACx. Hence,  $CA \subset AC$ . In order to show that  $C^{-1}AC \subset A$ . Let  $x \in D(C^{-1}AC)$  be given, then  $Cx \in D(A)$  and  $ACx \in R(C)$ . By the definition of generator and the commutativity of C with  $C(\cdot)$ , we have  $C[C(t)x-K_0(t)Cx] = C(t)Cx-K_0(t)C^2x = \int_0^t S(r)ACxdr = \int_0^t S(r)CC^{-1}ACxdr = C \int_0^t S(r)C^{-1}ACxdr$ . Since C is injective, we have  $x \in D(A)$  and  $Ax = C^{-1}ACx$ . Consequently,  $A \subset C^{-1}AC$ . Finally, we will show that (4) holds when  $K_0$  is a kernel on  $[0, T_0)$ . Clearly, it suffices to show that  $\widetilde{S}(t)\widetilde{S}(s)x=\widetilde{S}(s)\widetilde{S}(t)x$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t, s < T_0$ . Let  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le s < T_0$  be given. By (3) and the closedness of A, we have

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{S}(\cdot)\widetilde{S}(s)x - Aj_1 * \widetilde{S}(\cdot)\widetilde{S}(s)x = & K_2(\cdot)C\widetilde{S}(s)x \\ = & \widetilde{S}(s)K_2(\cdot)Cx \\ = & \widetilde{S}(s)[\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x - Aj_1 * \widetilde{S}(\cdot)x] \\ = & \widetilde{S}(s)\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x - \widetilde{S}(s)Aj_1 * \widetilde{S}(\cdot)x \\ = & \widetilde{S}(s)\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x - Aj_1 * \widetilde{S}(s)\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x \end{split}$$

on  $[0, T_0)$ , and so  $[\widetilde{S}(\cdot)\widetilde{S}(s)x - \widetilde{S}(s)\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x] = Aj_1 * [\widetilde{S}(\cdot)\widetilde{S}(s)x - \widetilde{S}(s)\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x]$  on  $[0, T_0)$ . Hence,  $\widetilde{S}(\cdot)\widetilde{S}(s)x = \widetilde{S}(s)\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x$  on  $[0, T_0)$ , which implies that  $\widetilde{S}(t)\widetilde{S}(s)x = \widetilde{S}(s)\widetilde{S}(t)x$  for all  $0 \le t, s < T_0$ .  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 2.8** Let  $C(\cdot)$  be a local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X, and  $0 \in \text{supp}K_0$  (the support of  $K_0$ ). Assume that  $C(\cdot)x = 0$  on  $[0, t_0)$  for some  $x \in X$  and  $0 < t_0 < T_0$ . Then  $CC(\cdot)x = 0$  on  $[0, T_0)$ . In particular, C(t)x = 0 for all  $0 \le t < T_0$  if the injectivity of C is added.

*Proof.* Let  $0 \le t < T_0$  be given, then  $t + s < T_0$  and  $K_0(s)$  is nonzero for some  $0 < s < t_0$ , so that  $\widetilde{S}(s)C(t)x=C(t)\widetilde{S}(s)x=0$ ,  $C(s)\widetilde{S}(t)x=\widetilde{S}(t)C(s)x=0$  and  $\widetilde{S}(s)K_0(t)Cx=K_0(t)C\widetilde{S}(s)x=0$ . By Theorem 2.2, we have  $K_0(s)\widetilde{S}(t)Cx=K_0(s)C\widetilde{S}(t)x=0$ . Hence,  $\widetilde{S}(t)Cx=0$ . Since  $0 \le t < T_0$  is arbitrary, we have CC(t)x = C(t)Cx = 0 for all  $0 \le t < T_0$ . In particular, C(t)x=0 for all  $0 \le t < T_0$  if the injectivity of C is added.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 2.9** *Let*  $C(\cdot)$  *be a local* K*-convoluted* C*-cosine function on* X*, and*  $0 \in suppK_0$ *. Assume that* C *is injective. Then*  $C(\cdot)$  *is nondegenerate if and only if it has a subgenerator.* 

*Proof.* By Theorem 2.5, we need only to show that *A* is a subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$  when  $C(\cdot)$  is a nondegenerate local *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X* with generator *A* and  $0 \in \text{supp}K_0$ . Observe (23)-(24) and the definition of *A*, we need only to show that (23) holds. Let  $0 \le t_0 < T_0$  be fixed. Then for each  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le s < T_0$ , we set  $y = \widetilde{S}(t_0)x$ . By Theorem 2.2, we have

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{S}(r)[C(s) - K_0(s)C]y &= [C(r) - K_0(r)C]\widetilde{S}(s)y \\ &= \widetilde{S}(s)[C(r) - K_0(r)C]y \\ &= \widetilde{S}(s)([C(r) - K_0(r)C]\widetilde{S}(t_0)x) \\ &= \widetilde{S}(s)(\widetilde{S}(r)[C(t_0) - K_0(t_0)C]x) \\ &= [\widetilde{S}(s)\widetilde{S}(r)][C(t_0) - K_0(t_0)C]x \\ &= \widetilde{S}(r)\widetilde{S}(s)[C(t_0) - K_0(t_0)C]x \end{split}$$

for all  $0 \le r < T_0$  with  $r + s, r + t_0 < T_0$  or equivalently,  $C(r)[C(s) - K_0(s)C]y = C(r)\widetilde{S}(s)[C(t_0) - K_0(t_0)C]x$ for all  $0 \le r < T_0$  with  $r + s, r + t_0 < T_0$ . It follows from Lemma 2.8 and the nondegeneracy of  $C(\cdot)$  that we have  $[C(s) - K_0(s)C]y = \widetilde{S}(s)[C(t_0) - K_0(t_0)C]x$ . Since  $0 \le s < T_0$  is arbitrary, we have  $y \in D(A)$  and  $Ay = [C(t_0) - K_0(t_0)C]x$ . Since  $0 \le t_0 < T_0$  is arbitrary, we conclude that (23) holds.  $\Box$ 

By slightly modifying the proof of Theorem 2.9, we can obtain the next result concerning nondegenerate *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine functions.

**Theorem 2.10** *Let*  $C(\cdot)$  *be a nondegenerate K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X. Then C is injective, and*  $C(\cdot)$  *has a subgenerator.* 

Combining Theorem 2.10 with Theorem 2.7, the next result concerning nondegenerate *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine functions is also obtained.

**Theorem 2.11** Let  $C(\cdot)$  be a nondegenerate K-convoluted C-cosine function on X with generator A. Then A is the maximal subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ , and each subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$  is closable and its closure is also a subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ . Moreover, (1)-(4) hold.

Since  $0 \in \text{supp}K_0$  implies that  $K_0$  is a kernel on  $[0, T_0)$ , we can apply Theorems 2.7 and 2.9 to obtain the next corollary.

**Corollary 2.12** Let  $C(\cdot)$  be a nondegenerate local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X with generator A, and  $0 \in suppK_0$ . Assume that C is injective. Then A is the maximal subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ , and each subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$  is closable and its closure is also a subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ . Moreover, (1)-(4) hold.

**Theorem 2.13** Let A be a closed subgenerator of a strongly continuous sufamily  $C(\cdot)$  of L(X), and  $K_0$  a kernel on  $[0, T_0)$ . Assume that C is injective. Then  $CA \subset AC$ , and  $C(\cdot)$  is a nondegenerate local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X with generator  $C^{-1}AC$ . In particular,  $C^{-1}\overline{A_0}C$  is the generator of  $C(\cdot)$  for each subgenerator  $A_0$  of  $C(\cdot)$ .

*Proof.* To show that  $C(\cdot)$  is a nondegenerate local *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X*. By Theorem 2.5, we need only to show that  $CC(\cdot) = C(\cdot)C$  or equivalently,  $C\widetilde{S}(\cdot) = \widetilde{S}(\cdot)C$ . Just as in the proof of Theorem 2.7, we have  $CA \subset AC$  and  $[\widetilde{S}(\cdot)Cx - C\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x] = Aj_1 * [\widetilde{S}(\cdot)Cx - C\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x]$  on  $[0, T_0)$ . By Lemma 2.6, we also have  $\widetilde{S}(\cdot)Cx = C\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x$  on  $[0, T_0)$ . We will prove that  $C^{-1}AC$  is the generator of  $C(\cdot)$ . Let *B* denote the generator of  $C(\cdot)$ . By Theorem 2.7, we have  $A \subset B$ . By (1), we also have  $C^{-1}AC \subset C^{-1}BC = B$ . Conversely, let  $x \in D(B)$  be given, then  $K_2(t)Cx = \widetilde{S}(t)x - j_1 * \widetilde{S}(t)Bx \in D(A)$  for all  $0 \le t < T_0$ , so that  $Cx \in D(A)$  and

$$AK_{2}(\cdot)Cx = A\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x - Aj_{1} * \widetilde{S}(\cdot)Bx$$
$$= A\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x - [\widetilde{S}(\cdot)Bx - K_{2}(\cdot)CBx]$$
$$= A\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x - [B\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x - K_{2}(\cdot)CBx]$$
$$= K_{2}(\cdot)CBx$$

on  $[0, T_0)$ . Hence,  $ACx = CBx \in R(C)$ , which implies that  $x \in D(C^{-1}AC)$  and  $C^{-1}ACx = Bx$ . Consequently,  $B \subset C^{-1}AC$ .  $\Box$ 

**Corollary 2.14** Let  $C(\cdot)$  be a nondegenerate local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X, and  $0 \in suppK_0$ . Assume that C is injective. Then  $C^{-1}\overline{A_0}C$  is the generator of  $C(\cdot)$  for each subgenerator  $A_0$  of  $C(\cdot)$ . **Remark 2.15** Let  $C(\cdot)$  be a local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X. Then

- (i)  $C(\cdot)$  is nondegenerate if and only if  $S(\cdot)$  is;
- (ii) A is the generator of  $C(\cdot)$  if and only if it is the generator of  $S(\cdot)$ ;
- (iii) *A* is a closed subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$  if and only if it is a closed subgenerator of  $S(\cdot)$ .

**Remark 2.16** *A* strongly continuous subfamily of L(X) may not have a subgenerator; a local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X is degenerate when it has a subgenerator but does not have a maximal subgenerator; and a closed linear operator in X generates at most one nondegenerate local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X when C is injective and  $K_0$  a kernel on  $[0, T_0)$ .

### 3. Abstract Cauchy Problems

In the following, we always assume that  $C \in L(X)$  is injective,  $K_0$  a kernel on  $[0, T_0)$ , and A a closed linear operator in X such that  $CA \subset AC$ . We also note some basic properties concerning the strong solutions of ACP(A, f, x, y) just results in [12] when A is the generator of a nondegenerate (local)  $\alpha$ -times integrated C-cosine function on X.

**Proposition 3.1.** Let A be a subgenerator of a nondegenerate local  $K_0$ -convoluted C-cosine function  $C(\cdot)$  on X. Then for each  $x \in D(A)$   $C(\cdot)x$  is the unique solution of  $ACP(A, K(\cdot)Cx, 0, 0)$  in  $C([0, T_0), [D(A)])$ . Here [D(A)] denotes the Banach space D(A) equipped with the graph norm  $|x|_A = ||x|| + ||Ax||$  for  $x \in D(A)$ .

**Proposition 3.2.** Let A be a subgenerator of a nondegenerate local K-convoluted C-cosine function  $C(\cdot)$  on X and  $C^1 = \{x \in X \mid C(\cdot)x \text{ is continuously differentiable on } (0, T_0)\}$ . Then

- (i) for each  $x \in C^1$   $S(t)x \in D(A)$  for a.e.  $t \in (0, T_0)$ ;
- (ii) for each  $x \in C^1$   $S(\cdot)x$  is the unique solution of  $ACP(A, K(\cdot)Cx, 0, 0)$ ;
- (iii) for each  $x \in D(A)$   $S(\cdot)x$  is the unique solution of  $ACP(A, K(\cdot)Cx, 0, 0)$ in  $C^{1}([0, T_{0}), [D(A)])$ .

**Proposition 3.3.** Let A be the generator of a nondegenerate local K-convoluted C-cosine function  $C(\cdot)$  on X and  $x \in X$ . Assume that  $C(t)x \in R(C)$  for all  $0 \le t < T_0$ , and  $C^{-1}C(\cdot)x \in C([0, T_0), X)$  is differentiable a.e. on  $(0, T_0)$ . Then  $C^{-1}S(t)x \in D(A)$  for a.e.  $t \in (0, T_0)$ , and  $C^{-1}S(\cdot)x$  is the unique solution of  $ACP(A, K(\cdot)x, 0, 0)$ .

*Proof.* Clearly,  $S(\cdot)x \in C^{1}([0, T_{0}), X)$ , and  $C(\cdot)x = CC^{-1}C(\cdot)x$  is differentiable a.e. on  $(0, T_{0})$ . By Theorem 2.11, we have  $C\frac{d^{2}}{dt^{2}}C^{-1}S(t)x = \frac{d^{2}}{dt^{2}}S(t)x = AS(t)x + K(t)Cx = ACC^{-1}S(t)x + K(t)Cx$  for a.e.  $t \in (0, T_{0})$ , so that for a.e.  $t \in (0, T_{0})$ ,  $C^{-1}S(t)x \in D(C^{-1}AC) = D(A)$  and  $\frac{d^{2}}{dt^{2}}C^{-1}S(t)x = (C^{-1}AC)C^{-1}S(t)x + K(t)x = AC^{-1}S(t)x + K(t)x$ . Hence,  $C^{-1}S(\cdot)x$  is a solution of ACP( $A, K(\cdot)x, 0, 0$ ). □

Applying Theorem 2.13, we can prove an important result concerning the relation between the generation of a nondegenerate local *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X* with subgenerator *A* and the unique existence of strong solutions of ACP(*A*, *f*, *x*, *y*), which has been established by the author in [15] when  $K = j_{\alpha-1}$ , in [12] when  $K = j_{\alpha-1}$  with  $T_0 = \infty$ , and in [11] when  $K = j_{-1}$  and  $T_0 = \infty$ . **Theorem 3.4.** *The following statements are equivalent :* 

- (*i*) A is a subgenerator of a nondegenerate local K-convoluted C-cosine function  $C(\cdot)$  on X;
- (*ii*) for each  $x \in X$  and  $g \in L^1_{loc}([0, T_0), X)$  the problem  $ACP(A, K_0(\cdot)Cx + K_0 * Cg(\cdot), 0, 0)$  has a unique solution in  $C^2([0, T_0), X) \cap C([0, T_0), [D(A)])$ ;
- (iii) for each  $x \in X$  the problem  $ACP(A, K_0(\cdot)Cx, 0, 0)$  has a unique solution in  $C^2([0, T_0), X) \cap C([0, T_0), [D(A)]);$
- (vi) for each  $x \in X$  the integral equation  $v(\cdot) = Aj_1 * v(\cdot) + K_0(\cdot)Cx$  has a unique solution  $v(\cdot; x)$  in  $C([0, T_0), X)$ .

In this case,  $\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x + \widetilde{S} * g(\cdot)$  is the unique solution of  $ACP(A, K_0(\cdot)Cx + K_0 * Cg(\cdot), 0, 0)$  and  $v(\cdot; x) = C(\cdot)x$ .

*Proof.* We will prove that (*i*) implies (*ii*). Let  $x \in X$  and  $g \in L^1_{loc}([0, T_0), X)$  be given. We set  $u(\cdot) = \widetilde{S}(\cdot)x + \widetilde{S} * g(\cdot)$ , then  $u \in C^2([0, T_0), X) \cap C([0, T_0), [D(A)])$ , u(0) = u'(0) = 0, and

$$Au(t) = A\widetilde{S}(t)x + A \int_0^t \widetilde{S}(t-s)g(s)ds$$
  
=  $C(t)x - K_0(t)Cx + \int_0^t [C(t-s) - K_0(t-s)C]g(s)ds$   
=  $C(t)x + \int_0^t C(t-s)g(s)ds - [K_0(t)Cx + K_0 * Cg(t)]$   
=  $u''(t) - [K_0(t)Cx + K_0 * Cg(t)]$ 

for all  $0 \le t < T_0$ . Hence, *u* is a solution of ACP(*A*,  $K_0(\cdot)Cx + K_0 * Cg(\cdot), 0, 0$ ) in  $C^2([0, T_0), X) \cap C([0, T_0), [D(A)])$ . The uniqueness of solutions for ACP( $A, K_0(\cdot)Cx + K_0 * Cg(\cdot), 0, 0$ ) follows directly from the uniqueness of solutions for ACP(A, 0, 0, 0). Clearly, "(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii)" holds, and (iii) and (iv) both are equivalent. We remain only to show that "(iv)  $\Rightarrow$  (i)" holds. Let  $C(t) : X \rightarrow X$  be defined by C(t)x = v(t;x) for all  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t < T_0$ . Clearly,  $C(\cdot)$  is strongly continuous, and satisfies (24). Combining the uniqueness of solutions for the integral equation  $v(\cdot) = Aj_1 * v(\cdot) + K_0(\cdot)Cx$  with the assumption  $CA \subset AC$ , we have  $v(\cdot; Cx) = Cv(\cdot; x)$  for each  $x \in X$ , which implies that C(t) for  $0 \le t < T_0$  are linear, and commute with C. Let  $\{t_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  be an increasing sequence in  $(0, T_0)$  such that  $t_k \to T_0$ , and  $C([0, T_0), X)$  a Frechet space with the quasi-norm  $|\cdot|$  defined by  $|v| = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\|v\|_k}{2^k(1+\|v\|_k)}$  for  $v \in C([0, T_0), X)$ . Here  $\|v\|_k = \max_{t \in [0, t_k]} \|v(t)\|$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . To show that  $C(\cdot)$  is a subfamily of L(X), we need only to show that the linear map  $\eta : X \to C([0, T_0), X)$  defined by  $\eta(x) = v(\cdot; x)$  for  $x \in X$ , is continuous or equivalently,  $\eta : X \to C([0, T_0), X)$  is a closed linear operator. Let  $\{x_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence in X such that  $x_k \to x$  in X and  $\eta(x_k) \to v$  in C([0,  $T_0$ ), X), then  $v(\cdot; x_k) = Aj_1 * v(\cdot; x_k) + K_0(\cdot)Cx_k$  on [0,  $T_0$ ). Combining the closedness of A with the uniform convergence of  $\{\eta(x_k)\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  on  $[0, t_k]$ , we have  $v(\cdot) = Aj_1 * v(\cdot) + K_0(\cdot)Cx$ on  $[0, T_0)$ . By the uniqueness of solutions for integral equations, we have  $v(\cdot)=v(\cdot; x)=\eta(x)$ . Consequently,  $\eta: X \to C([0, T_0), X)$  is a closed linear operator. To show that A is a subgenerator of  $C(\cdot)$ , we remain only to show that  $S(t)A \subset AS(t)$  for all  $0 \le t < T_0$ . Let  $x \in D(A)$  be given, then  $S(t)x - K_2(t)Cx = Aj_1 * S(t)x = j_1 * AS(t)x$ for all  $0 \le t < T_0$ , and so

$$S(t)Ax - Aj_1 * S(t)Ax = K_2(t)CAx$$
$$= AK_2(t)Cx$$
$$= A\widetilde{S}(t)x - Aj_1 * \widetilde{S}(t)Ax$$

for all  $0 \le t < T_0$ . Hence,  $Aj_1 * [\widetilde{S}(\cdot)Ax - A\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x] = \widetilde{S}(\cdot)Ax - A\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x$  on  $[0, T_0)$ . By the uniqueness of solutions for ACP(A, 0, 0, 0), we have  $\widetilde{S}(\cdot)Ax = A\widetilde{S}(\cdot)x$  on  $[0, T_0)$ . Applying Theorem 2.5, we get that  $C(\cdot)$  is a nondegenerate local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X with subgenerator A.  $\Box$ 

By slightly modifying the proof of [15, Theorem 3.5], we can apply Theorem 3.4 to obtain the next result. **Theorem 3.5.** Assume that  $R(C) \subset R(\lambda - A)$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$ , and  $ACP(A, K(\cdot)x, 0, 0)$  has a unique solution in  $C([0, T_0), [D(A)])$  for each  $x \in D(A)$  with  $(\lambda - A)x \in R(C)$ . Then A is a subgenerator of a nondegenerate local  $K_0$ -convoluted C-cosine function on X.

*Proof.* Clearly, it suffices to show that for each  $x \in X$  the integral equation

$$v(\cdot) = A \int_0^{\cdot} \int_0^s v(r) dr ds + K_1(\cdot) Cx$$
<sup>(25)</sup>

has a (unique) solution  $v(\cdot; x)$  in  $C([0, T_0), X)$ . Let  $x \in X$  be given, then there exists a  $y_x \in D(A)$  such that  $(\lambda - A)y_x = Cx$ . By hypothesis, ACP( $A, K(\cdot)y_x, 0, 0$ ) has a unique solution  $u(\cdot; y_x)$  in  $C([0, T_0), [D(A)])$ . In particular,  $u''(\cdot; y_x) = Au(\cdot; y_x) + K(\cdot)y_x \in L^1_{loc}([0, T_0), X)$ . By the closedness of A and the continuity of  $Au(\cdot; y_x)$ , we have  $\int_0^t \int_0^s u(r; y_x) drds \in D(A)$  and

$$A \int_0^t \int_0^s u(r; y_x) dr ds = \int_0^t \int_0^s Au(r; y_x) dr ds = u(t; y_x) - K_1(t) y_x \in \mathcal{D}(A)$$

for all  $0 \le t < T_0$ , so that

$$(\lambda - A)u(t; y_x) = (\lambda - A)[A \int_0^t \int_0^s u(r; y_x) dr ds + K_1(t)y_x] = A \int_0^t \int_0^s (\lambda - A)u(r; y_x) dr ds + K_1(t)Cx$$
(26)

for all  $0 \le t < T_0$ . Hence,  $v(\cdot; x) = (\lambda - A)u(\cdot; y_x)$  is a solution of (25) in C([0,  $T_0$ ), X).  $\Box$ 

Combining Theorem 3.4 with Theorem 3.5, the next theorem is also attained.

**Theorem 3.6.** Assume that  $R(C) \subset R(\lambda - A)$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$ , and  $ACP(A, K(\cdot)x, 0, 0)$  has a unique solution in  $C^1([0, T_0), [D(A)])$  for each  $x \in D(A)$  with  $(\lambda - A)x \in R(C)$ . Then A is a subgenerator of a nondegenerate local K-convoluted C-cosine function on X.

*Proof.* Let  $x \in X$  be given, and let  $u(\cdot; y_x)$  and  $v(\cdot; x)$  be given as in the proof of Theorem 3.5. By hypothesis,  $v(\cdot; x)$  is continuously differentiable on  $[0, T_0)$  and  $v'(t; x) = (\lambda - A)u'(t; y_x)$  for all  $0 \le t < T_0$ . By (26), we also have  $v'(t; x) = A \int_0^t v(r; x)dr + K_0(t)Cx$  for all  $0 \le t < T_0$ . In particular, v'(0; x) = 0, and so  $v'(\cdot; x) = Aj_1 * v'(\cdot; x) + K_0(\cdot)Cx$  on  $[0, T_0)$ . Hence,  $v'(\cdot; x)$  is a (unique) solution of the integral equation  $v(\cdot) = Aj_1 * v(\cdot) + K_0(\cdot)Cx$  in  $C([0, T_0), X)$ .

Since  $C^{-1}AC = A$  and  $R((\lambda - A)^{-1}C) = C(D(A))$  if  $\rho(A) \neq \emptyset$ , we can apply Proposition 3.1, Theorem 3.5 and Theorem 3.6 to obtain the next two corollaries.

**Corollary 3.7.** Assume that the resolvent set of A is nonempty. Then A is the generator of a nondegenerate local  $K_0$ -convoluted C-cosine function on X if and only if for each  $x \in D(A)$  ACP(A, K(·)Cx, 0, 0) has a unique solution in  $C([0, T_0), [D(A)])$ .

**Corollary 3.8.** Assume that the resolvent set of *A* is nonempty. Then *A* is the generator of a nondegenerate local *K*-convoluted *C*-cosine function on *X* if and only if for each  $x \in D(A)$   $ACP(A, K(\cdot)Cx, 0, 0)$  has a unique solution in  $C^1([0, T_0), [D(A)])$ .

Just as in [15, Theorems 3.9 and 3.10], we can apply Theorem 3.4 to obtain the next two wellposed theorems. The wellposedness of abstract fractional Cauchy problems and abstract Cauchy problems associated with various classes of Volterra integro-differential equations in locally convex spaces have been recently considered in [10].

**Theorem 3.9.** Assume that A is densely defined. Then the following are equivalent :

- (i) A is a subgenerator of a nondegenerate local  $K_0$ -convoluted C-cosine function  $S(\cdot)$  on X;
- (ii) for each x ∈ D(A) ACP(A, K(·)Cx, 0, 0) has a unique solution u(·; Cx) in C([0, T<sub>0</sub>), [D(A)]) which depends continuously on x. That is, if {x<sub>n</sub>}<sub>n=1</sub><sup>∞</sup> is a Cauchy sequence in (D(A), || · ||), then {u(·; Cx<sub>n</sub>)}<sub>n=1</sub><sup>∞</sup> converges uniformly on compact subsets of [0, T<sub>0</sub>).

*Proof.* (*i*) $\Rightarrow$ (*ii*). It is easy to see from the definition of a subgenerator of *S*(·) that *S*(·)*x* is the unique solution of ACP(*A*, *K*(·)*Cx*, 0, 0) in C([0, *T*<sub>0</sub>), [D(*A*)]) which depends continuously on  $x \in D(A)$ . (*ii*) $\Rightarrow$ (*i*). In view of Theorem 3.4, we need only to show that for each  $x \in X$  (25) has a unique solution  $v(\cdot; x)$  in C([0, *T*<sub>0</sub>), *X*). Let  $x \in X$  be given. By the denseness of D(*A*), we have  $x_m \to x$  in *X* for some sequence  $\{x_m\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$  in D(*A*). We set  $u(\cdot; Cx_m)$  to denote the unique solution of ACP(*A*, *K*(·)*Cx*<sub>m</sub>, 0, 0) in C([0, *T*<sub>0</sub>), [D(*A*]]). Then  $u(\cdot; Cx_m) \to u(\cdot)$  uniformly on compact subsets of [0, *T*<sub>0</sub>) for some  $u \in C([0, T_0), X)$ , and so  $\int_0^\infty \int_0^s u(r; Cx_m) drds \to \int_0^\infty \int_0^s u(r) drds$  uniformly on compact subsets of [0, *T*<sub>0</sub>). Since  $u''(\cdot; Cx_m) = Au(\cdot; Cx_m) + K(\cdot)Cx_m$  a.e. on (0, *T*<sub>0</sub>), we have

$$A \int_{0}^{s} \int_{0}^{s} u(r; Cx_{m}) dr ds = \int_{0}^{s} \int_{0}^{s} Au(r; Cx_{m}) dr ds = u(\cdot; Cx_{m}) - K_{1}(\cdot)Cx_{m}$$
(27)

on  $[0, T_0)$  for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Clearly, the right-hand side of the last equality of (27) converges uniformly to  $u(\cdot) - K_1(\cdot)Cx$  on compact subsets of  $[0, T_0)$ . It follows from the closedness of A that  $\int_0^t \int_0^s u(r)drds \in D(A)$  for all  $0 \le t < T_0$  and  $A \int_0^{\cdot} \int_0^s u(r)drds = u(\cdot) - K_1(\cdot)Cx$  on  $[0, T_0)$ , which implies that  $u(\cdot)$  is a (unique) solution of (25) in  $C([0, T_0), X)$ .

**Theorem 3.10.** Assume that A is densely defined. Then the following are equivalent :

- (i) A is a subgenerator of a nondegenerate local K-convoluted C-cosine function  $C(\cdot)$  on X;
- (ii) for each  $x \in D(A)$  ACP(A, K(·)Cx, 0, 0) has a unique solution  $u(\cdot; Cx)$  in
  - $C^{1}([0, T_{0}), [D(A)])$  which depends continuously differentiable on x. That is, if  $\{x_{n}\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $(D(A), \|\cdot\|)$ , then  $\{u(\cdot; Cx_{n})\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and

 $\{u'(\cdot; Cx_n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  both converge uniformly on compact subsets of  $[0, T_0)$ .

*Proof.*  $(i) \Rightarrow (ii)$ . For each  $0 \le t < T_0$  and  $x \in D(A)$ , we set  $S(t)x = \int_0^t C(r)xdr$ . Then  $S(\cdot)x$  is the unique solution of ACP( $A, K(\cdot)Cx, 0, 0$ ) in  $C^1([0, T_0), [D(A)]$ ). Let  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a Cauchy sequence in  $(D(A), \|\cdot\|)$ . We set  $u(\cdot; Cx_n) = S(\cdot)x_n$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\{u(\cdot; Cx_n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and  $\{u'(\cdot; Cx_n)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  both converge uniformly on compact subsets of  $[0, T_0)$ .  $(ii) \Rightarrow (i)$ . For each  $x \in X$  and  $0 \le t < T_0$ , we define  $u(t) = \lim_{n \to \infty} u(t; Cx_n)$  whenever  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a sequence in D(A) which converges to x in X. By hypothesis,  $u(\cdot; Cx_n) \to u(\cdot)$  and  $u'(\cdot; Cx_m) \to u'(\cdot)$  uniformly on compact subsets of  $[0, T_0)$  for some  $u \in C^1([0, T_0), X)$ . Just as in the proof of Theorem 3.9, we have

$$A\int_0^t \int_0^s u'(r; Cx_m) dr ds = A\int_0^t u(s; Cx_m) ds = u'(\cdot; Cx_m) - K_0(\cdot) Cx_m$$

on  $[0, T_0)$  for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Similarly, we also have  $A \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^s u'(r) dr ds = u'(\cdot) - K_0(\cdot)Cx$  on  $[0, T_0)$ , which implies that  $u'(\cdot)$  is a solution of the integral equation  $v(\cdot) = Aj_1 * v(\cdot) + K_0(\cdot)Cx$  in  $C([0, T_0), X)$ . The uniqueness of solutions for the integral equation  $v(\cdot) = Aj_1 * v(\cdot) + K_0(\cdot)Cx$  in  $C([0, T_0), X)$ . The uniqueness of solutions for the integral equation (3.1) in  $C([0, T_0), X)$ .  $\Box$ 

We end this paper with several illustrative examples.

**Example 1.** Let  $X = C_b(\mathbb{R})$ , and C(t) for  $t \ge 0$  be bounded linear operators on X defined by  $C(t)f(x) = \frac{1}{2}[f(x + t) + f(x - t)]$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then for each  $K \in L^1_{loc}([0, T_0), \mathbb{F})$  and  $\beta > -1$ ,  $K_\beta * C(\cdot) = \{K_\beta * C(t)|0 \le t < T_0\}$  is local a  $K_\beta$ -convoluted cosine function on X which is also nondegenerate with a closed subgenerator  $\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$  acting with its maximal distributional domain when  $K_0$  is not the zero function on  $[0, T_0)$  (or equivalently, K is not the zero in  $L^1_{loc}([0, T_0), \mathbb{F})$ ), but  $K * C(\cdot)$  may not be a local K-convoluted cosine function on X except for  $K \in L^1_{loc}([0, T_0), \mathbb{F})$  so that  $K * C(\cdot)$  is a strongly continuous family in L(X) for which  $\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$  is a closed subgenerator of  $K * C(\cdot)$  when  $K_0$  is not the zero function on  $[0, T_0)$ . Moreover, (1)-(4) hold and  $\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$  is its generator and maximal subgenerator when  $K_0$  is a kernel on  $[0, T_0)$ . In this case,  $\frac{d^2}{dx^2} = \overline{A_0}$  for each subgenerator  $A_0$  of  $C(\cdot)$ .

**Example 2.** Let k be a fixed nonnegative integer and  $K_0$  a kernel on  $[0, \infty)$ , and let C(t) for  $t \ge 0$  and C be bounded linear operators on  $c_0$  (the family of all convergent sequences in  $\mathbb{F}$  with limit 0) defined by  $C(t)x = \{x_n(n-k)e^{-n}\int_0^t K(t-s)\cosh nsds\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  and  $Cx = \{x_n(n-k)e^{-n}\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  for all  $x = \{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \in c_0$ , then  $\{C(t)|0 \le t < 1\}$  is a local K-convoluted C-cosine function on  $c_0$  which is degenerate except for k = 0 and generator A defined by  $Ax = \{n^2x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  for all  $x = \{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \in c_0$  with  $\{n^2x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \in c_0$ , and for each r > 1  $\{C(t)|0 \le t < r\}$  is not a local K-convoluted C-cosine function on  $c_0$ . Suppose that  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $A_a : c_0 \to c_0$  for  $a \in \mathbb{F}$  defined by  $A_ax = \{n^2y_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  for all  $x = \{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \in c_0$  with  $\{n^2x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \in c_0$ , are subgenerators of  $\{C(t)|0 \le t < 1\}$  which do not have proper extensions that are still subgenerators of  $\{C(t)|0 \le t < 1\}$ . Here  $y_n = ak^2x_k$  if n = k, and  $y_n = n^2x_n$  otherwise. Consequently,  $\{C(t)|0 \le t < 1\}$  does not have a maximal subgenerator when  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Example 3.** Let  $X = C_b(\mathbb{R})$  (or  $L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$ ), and A be the maximal differential operator in X defined by  $Au = \sum_{j=0}^{k} a_j D^j u$  on

**ℝ** for all  $u \in D(A)$ , then  $UC_b(\mathbb{R})$  (or  $C_0(\mathbb{R})$ ) =  $\overline{D(A)}$ . Here  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_k \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $D^j u(x) = u^{(j)}(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . It is shown in [2, Theorem 6.7] that  $\{C(t)|0 \le t < T_0\}$  defined by  $(C(t)f)(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^t \int_{-\infty}^\infty K(t-s)\widetilde{\phi_s}(x-y)f(y)dyds$  for all  $f \in X$  and  $0 \le t < T_0$ , is a norm continuous local  $K_0$ -convoluted cosine function on X with closed subgenerator A if the real-valued polynomial  $p(x) = \sum_{j=0}^k a_j(ix)^j$  satisfies  $\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} p(x) < \infty$ , and  $K \in L^1_{loc}([0, T_0), \mathbb{F})$  is not the zero function

on  $[0, T_0)$ . Here  $\phi_t$  denotes the inverse Fourier transform of  $\phi_t$  with  $\phi_t(x) = \int_0^t \cosh(\sqrt{p(x)}s) ds$  for all  $t \ge 0$ . Suppose that  $K_0$  is a kernel on  $[0, T_0)$ . Then A is its generator and maximal subgenerator. Applying Theorem 3.4, we get that for each  $f \in X$  and continuous function g on  $[0, T_0) \times \mathbb{R}$  with  $\int_0^t \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |g(s, x)| ds < \infty$  for all  $0 \le t < T_0$ , the function u on  $[0, T_0) \times \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $u(t, x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^t \int_{-\infty}^\infty K_1(t-s) \phi_s(x-y) f(y) dy ds + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^t \int_{-\infty}^\infty K_1(t-r-s) \phi_s(x-y) f(y) dy ds + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^t \int_0^{t-r} \int_{-\infty}^\infty K_1(t-r-s) \phi_s(x-y) f(y) dy ds + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^t \int_0^{t-r} \int_{-\infty}^\infty K_1(t-r-s) \phi_s(x-y) f(y) dy ds + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^t \int_0^{t-r} \int_{-\infty}^\infty K_1(t-r-s) \phi_s(x-y) f(y) dy ds + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^t \int_0^{t-r} \int_{-\infty}^\infty K_1(t-r-s) \phi_s(x-y) f(y) dy ds + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^t \int_0^{t-r} \int_{-\infty}^\infty K_1(t-r-s) \phi_s(x-y) f(y) dy ds + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^t \int_0^{t-r} \int_{-\infty}^\infty K_1(t-r-s) \phi_s(x-y) f(y) dy ds + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^t \int_0^{t-r} \int_{-\infty}^\infty K_1(t-r-s) \phi_s(x-y) f(y) dy ds + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^t \int_0^{t-r} \int_{-\infty}^\infty K_1(t-r-s) \phi_s(x-y) f(y) dy ds + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^t \int_0^{t-r} \int_{-\infty}^\infty K_1(t-r-s) \phi_s(x-y) f(y) dy ds + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^t \int_0^{t-r} \int_{-\infty}^\infty K_1(t-r-s) \phi_s(x-s) dy dy ds$ 

y)g(r, y)dydsdr for all  $0 \le t < T_0$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , is the unique solution of

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial^2 u(t,x)}{\partial t^2} \\ = \sum_{j=0}^k a_j (\frac{\partial}{\partial x})^j u(t,x) + K_1(t) f(x) + \int_0^t K_1(t-s)g(s,x)ds \text{ for } t \in (0,T_0) \text{ and } a.e. \ x \in \mathbb{R}, \\ u(0,x) = 0 \text{ and } \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(0,x) = 0 \quad \text{for } a.e. \ x \in \mathbb{R} \end{cases}$$

in  $C^{2}([0, T_{0}), X) \cap C([0, T_{0}), [D(A)]).$ 

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