

STABILITY AND ATTRACTIVITY OF SOLUTIONS OF DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS WITH IMPULSES AT FIXED TIMES¹

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In this paper we consider the dynamics of solutions of impulsive differential equations with fixed time moments of impulsive effects on the basis of comparison methods and vector Lyapunov functions. We propose sufficient conditions on the following dynamic properties: stability, attractivity, and some combinations of them.

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1. Introduction

In [1] it has been proposed to study the stability of solutions of impulsive differential equations on the basis of comparison method and Vector Lyapunov Functions (VLF). In this paper, we obtain more weak sufficient conditions of stability and extend this approach onto more wide class of dynamic properties. The main aim of this paper is to show that on the basis of comparison methods which is rather traditional, now it is very easy to obtain sufficient conditions of different dynamic properties. In Section 2, we describe mathematical models of analyzed system and comparison system. In Section 3, we state and prove Wazewski-like result on differential inequalities. For dynamic properties which definitions are introduced in Section 4, we propose in

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Section 5, new sufficient conditions in terms of VLF. Some illustrative examples are considered in Section 6.

2. Mathematical Models

Consider an increasing sequence t_1, t_2, \dots of reals $t_k \in R_0^1 = [0, +\infty)$, $k \in N = 1, 2, \dots$, such that $t_k \rightarrow +\infty$ when $k \rightarrow +\infty$ and a function $\varphi: R_0^1 \times R^p \rightarrow R^q$. We denote $\varphi(t_k^+, z) \stackrel{def}{=} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \varphi(t_k + h, z)$ if the right side limit exists. The function φ is said to belong to class Φ_{pq} if

- (i) φ is continuous in $(t_{k-1}, t_k] \times R^p$, and
- (ii) $\forall k \in N \forall z \in R^p \exists u \in R^q$

$$u = \lim_{\substack{h \rightarrow 0^+ \\ w \rightarrow z}} \varphi(t_k + h, w).$$

Let us consider two systems of differential equations with impulsive effects [1]

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} x' = F(t, x), & t = t_k, & F \in \Phi_{nn}, \\ x(t_k^+) = x(t_k) + I_k(x(t_k)), & t = t_k, \\ x(t_0^+) = x_0, & \end{array} \right. \quad (2.1)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} y' = f(t, y), & t \neq t_k, & F \in \Phi_{mm}, \\ y(t_k^+) = \psi_k(y(t_k)), & t = t_k, \\ y(t_0^+) = y_0, & \end{array} \right. \quad (2.1)$$

where $k \in N$, and solutions $x = x(\cdot, t_0, x_0)$, $y = y(\cdot, t_0, y_0)$ are to be understood as left continuous functions with points of discontinuity of the first kind at $t = t_k$. More exactly [1], a function $x: (t_0, t_0 + \Delta) \rightarrow R^n$, $t_0 \geq 0$, $\Delta > 0$, is said to be a solution of (2.1) if

- (i) $x(t_0^+) = x_0$, $\forall t \in [t_0, t_0 + \Delta) (t, x(t)) \in \text{dom} F$,
- (ii) x is continuously differentiable and satisfies the equality

$$x'(t) = F(t, x(t)) \text{ for } t \in [t_0, t_0 + \Delta), t \neq t_k,$$

(iii) if $t = t_k \in [t_0, t_0 + \Delta)$, then $x(t^+) = x(t) + I_k(x(t))$, and at such t 's, $x(t)$ is left continuous.

For the system (2.2) its solutions $y(t)$ are to be understood analogously and in addition, we assume that the function $f(t, y)$ satisfies in the field of its definition, the Wazewski condition in y [3], i.e., possesses the following property of quasimonotone nondecreasing:

if $\forall (t, x), (t, x') \in \text{dom} f$ such that $x \leq x'$, $\forall i \in 1, \dots, m$ such that $x_i = x'_i$

$$f_i(x) \leq f_i(x') \quad (2.3)$$

(vector inequalities are to be understood componentwise).

3. Lemma on Differential Inequality

The systems (2.1), (2.2) are connected by a function $v(t, x)$, $v \in \Phi_{nm}$ which is locally Lipschitzian in x and satisfies the differential inequality

$$\bar{D}^+ v(t, x) \leq f(t, v(t, x)), \quad t \neq t_k, \quad k \in N. \tag{3.1}$$

In addition, we introduce the following requirement:

$$\forall k \in N \quad \forall x \in X_k \quad \forall y \in Y_k$$

$$v(t_k, x) \leq y \Rightarrow v(t_k^+, x + I_k(x)) \leq \psi_k(y) \tag{3.2}$$

where X_k, Y_k are the regions of achievability of the systems (2.1), (2.2) respectively at the time moment t_k . If the sets X_k are unknown, then we replace in the (3.2) the set X_k by R^n (analogously, Y_k can be replaced by R^m).

A solution $y(\cdot, t_0, y_0)$ of (2.2) is said to be upper solution and is noted by $\bar{y}(\cdot, t_0, y_0)$ if for any solution $\tilde{y}(\cdot, t_0, y_0)$ of (2.2) with the same initial data t_0, y_0

$$\forall t \in \text{dom} \bar{y} \cap \text{dom} \tilde{y} \quad \tilde{y}(t, t_0, y_0) \leq \bar{y}(t, t_0, y_0).$$

Lemma 3.1: *If the systems (2.1), (2.2), and the locally Lipschitzian in x function $v: R_0^1 \times R^n \rightarrow R^m$, $v \in \Phi_{nm}$, satisfy the conditions (2.3), (3.1), (3.2), then for all $(t_0, x_0) \in \text{dom} F$, $(t_0, y_0) \in \text{dom} f$ such that $v(t_0, x_0) \leq y_0$, there exists an upper solution of (2.2) $\bar{y} = \bar{y}(\cdot, t_0, y_0)$ such that for any solutions $x = x(\cdot, t_0, x_0)$ of (2.1)*

$$\forall t \in \text{dom} x \cap \text{dom} \bar{y} \quad v(t, x(t)) \leq \bar{y}(t). \tag{3.3}$$

Proof: Let the conditions of Lemma 3.1 be satisfied, $(t_0, x_0) \in \text{dom} F$, $(t_0, y_0) \in \text{dom} f$, $v(t_0) \leq y_0$, t_i be the minimal of time moments t_k , $k \in N$, such that $t_0 < t_i$.

Let $t_0 \notin \{t_k: k \in N\}$. Consider (2.2) (only differential equation) on time interval $[t_0, t_i]$. In this case, the existence of the solution and upper solution of the initial value problem $y' = f(t, y)$, $y(t_0) = y(t_0^+) = y_0$ depends only on the function f and we are now in the position to apply Wazewski theorem [3] and to claim that there exists a time interval $[t_0, \tau)$, $\tau \leq t_i$, on which the upper solution $\bar{y}(\cdot, t_0, y_0)$ exists.

If the $[t_0, \tau)$ is maximal interval of existence of the solution \bar{y} of the system (2.2) on the whole field of its definition, then \bar{y} goes to infinity when $t \rightarrow \tau^-$, and by the same theorem, we obtain that Lemma 3.1 is valid on an interval $[t_0, \tau) \cap \text{dom} x$.

Let the solutions \bar{y}, x be determined at t_i also. Then $\bar{y}(t_i^+)$ is determined and equal $\psi_i(\bar{y}(t_i))$. We can consider the condition $\bar{y}(t_i^+) = \psi_i(\bar{y}(t_i))$ as the new initial condition of solutions of the differential equation from (2.2) and by the Wazewski theorem we can prove that there exists a time interval $[t_i, \tau_1)$, $\tau_1 \leq t_{i+1}$ where the upper solution $\bar{y}(\cdot, t_i, \bar{y}(t_i^+))$ exists. On the basis of (3.2)

$$v(t_i, x(t_i)) \leq \bar{y}(t_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow v(t_i^+, x(t_i^+)) = v(t_i^+, x(t_i) + I_i(x(t_i))) \leq \psi_i(\bar{y}(t_i)) = \bar{y}(t_i^+).$$

Therefore, for any solution $x(\cdot, t_i, x(t_i) + I_i(x(t_i)))$ and for all $t \in \text{dom}x \cap [t_i, \tau_1)$ using the same theorem [3] we obtain the inequality

$$v(t, x(t)) \leq \bar{y}(t)$$

and so on. Repeating this, we finally arrived at the desired inequality for all $t \in \text{dom}x \cap \text{dom}\bar{y}$.

If for some $k \in N$, $t_0 = t_k$, then the initial value problem $\bar{y}(t_0^+) = y_0$ for differential equation from (2.2) and majorizing condition (3.3) are considered as above for the corresponding problems on interval $[t_k, t_{k+1}]$ and the proof is complete.

Remark 3.1: If $v(t_k^+, x) = v(t_k, x), \forall k \in N$, e.g., v does not depend on t or is right continuous in t , and to assume that

$$(a) \text{ the functions } \psi_k \text{ are nondecreasing,} \quad (3.4)$$

$$(b) v(t_k, x + I_k(x)) = \psi_k(v(t_k, x)) \quad (3.5)$$

then the condition (3.2) is valid for all $x \in R^n, y \in R^m$.

4. Dynamic Properties

Assume that in the system (2.1), the following dynamic property is studied

$$\begin{aligned} & \forall t_0 \in T^0 \subseteq R_0^1 \exists Q \in \mathfrak{R}_1^0 \quad \forall P \in \mathfrak{R} \\ & [(\exists P^0 \in \mathfrak{R}_1^0 \quad \forall x_0 \in M(P^0, Q, t_0) \quad \forall x = x(\cdot, t_0, x_0) \\ & \forall t \geq t_0: t \in \text{dom}x \quad x(t) \in P(t)) \& (\forall x_0) \in Q(t_0) \forall x(\cdot, t_0, x_0) \\ & \exists t_1 \geq t_0 (\forall t \geq t_1: t \in \text{dom}x) \quad x(t) \in P(t))] \end{aligned} \quad (4.1)$$

where $\forall P^0 \in \mathfrak{R}_i^0 \quad P^0 \subseteq T^0 \times R^n, i \in 1, 2, \forall P \in \mathfrak{R} \quad P \subseteq R_0^1 \times R^n$ and $M = M(P^0, Q, t_0)$ is some subset of R^n , dependent on P^0, Q, t_0 .

I. Assume particularly that $M(P^0, Q, t_0) = P^0 \setminus Q(t_0)$ and consider the following cases:

(i) When \mathfrak{R}_1^0 -single-point set, $Q(t) \equiv Q^*$ is fixed, $Q^* = R_0^n = \{x \in R^n: x \geq 0\}$,

$$\mathfrak{R} = \mathfrak{R}_2^0 = \mathfrak{R}^* = \{R_0^1 \times P_\epsilon: \epsilon > 0\}, P_\epsilon = \{x \in R^n: \|x\| < \epsilon\},$$

the property (4.1) means **stability** or **attractivity** of solutions. More exactly, this means the attractivity to the origin of solutions with non-negative vectors of initial states and stability of other solutions.

(ii) When $\mathfrak{R}_2^0 = \{\emptyset\}$, $Q(t) = Q^*$ is fixed, then (4.1) is equivalent to $Q^*\mathfrak{R}$ -**attractivity**.

- (iii) When $Q(t) \equiv \emptyset$, the property (4.1) means $\mathfrak{R}\mathfrak{R}_2^0$ -**stability** [4].
 - (iv) If $Q(t) \equiv \emptyset$ and $\mathfrak{R} = \{P\}$ -singl, $\mathfrak{R}_2^0 = \{P\}$ -singl, then (4.1) defines the property of practical stability, or more exactly, PP^0 -**estimation** of solutions [4].
- II. If in (4.1), $M(P^0, Q, t_0) = P^0(t_0)$, then under the assumptions of the case (i), we obtain the definition of the property of asymptotic stability.

5. Comparison Theorem and Corollaries

The system (2.1) and function $v \in \Phi_{nm}$ are said to be comparison system and comparison function respectively for the system (2.1) if the majorizing condition (3.3) is valid. In the system (2.2) we consider the property (4.1_c) which has the same meaning and is described in the same fashion in terms of corresponding sets $T_c^0 \subseteq R_0^1$,

$\mathfrak{R}_c \subseteq 2^{R_0^1 \times R^m}$, $Q_c \subseteq \mathfrak{R}_{1c}^0$, $\mathfrak{R}_{ic}^0 \subseteq 2^{T_c^0 \times R^m}$, We assume further that $T^0 = T_c^0$.

Theorem 5.1: *Let for the system (2.1), there exist comparison system (2.2) and comparison function $v \in \Phi_{nm}$ such that the following conditions are valid:*

- (1) $\forall t_0 \in T^0 \quad \forall Q_c \in \mathfrak{R}_{1c}^0 \quad \exists Q \in \mathfrak{R}_1^0 \quad [\forall P_c^0 \in \mathfrak{R}_{2c}^0 \quad \exists P^0 \in \mathfrak{R}_2^0 \quad \forall x_0 \in M \quad \exists y_0 \in M_c \quad v(t_0, x_0) \leq y_0 \ \& \ \forall x_0 \in Q(t_0) \quad \exists y_0 \in Q_c(t_0) \quad v(t_0, x_0) \leq y_0]$;
- (2) $\forall t_0 \in T^0 \quad \forall y_0 \in R^m$ there exists the upper solution $\bar{y}(\cdot, t_0, y_0)$ of (2.2) infinitely right continuable;
- (3) $\forall t_0 \in T^0 \quad \forall P \in \mathfrak{R} \quad \exists P_c \in \mathfrak{R}_c \quad \forall t \geq t_0 \quad x \notin P \ \& \ y \in P_c \Rightarrow v(t, x) \not\leq y$;

then (4.1_c) \Rightarrow (4.1).

Corollary 5.1: *(the case (4.1.I.i)). Let in (4.1) $M = P^0 \setminus Q(t_0)$, $Q(t) \equiv Q^*$, the set Q^* be fixed, $\mathfrak{R} = \mathfrak{R}_2^0 = \mathfrak{R}^*$, the corresponding sets in (4.1_c) be analogously chosen and the following conditions be satisfied for all $t_0 \in T^0$:*

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \exists \delta > 0 \quad v(t_0, P_\delta \setminus Q^*) \subseteq P_{\epsilon c} \setminus Q_c^*; \tag{5.1}$$

$$v(t_0, Q^*) \subseteq Q_c^*; \tag{5.2}$$

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \exists \delta > 0 \quad \forall t \geq t_0 \quad \forall x \in R^n \setminus P_\epsilon \quad \forall y \in P_{\delta c} \quad v(t, x) \not\leq y. \tag{5.3}$$

Assume also that the conditions of Lemma 3.1 are satisfied and in the sense of (2) upper solutions of (2.2) exist and are infinitely right continuable. (Conditions a). Then (4.1_c) \Rightarrow (4.1), i.e. (2.1) possesses the property of stability or attractivity (see the case, I.i above).

Corollary 5.2: *(the case (4.1.II)). Let all the assumptions of Corollary 5.1 be satisfied except that: $M = P^0(t_0)$, Q si not fixed (analogously in (4.1_c)), and instead of (5.1), (5.2) the conditions below are valid:*

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \exists \delta > 0 \quad v(t_0, P_\delta) \subseteq P_{\epsilon c}; \tag{5.4}$$

$$\forall Q_c \in \mathfrak{R}_{1c}^0 \quad \exists Q \in \mathfrak{R}_1^0 \quad v(t_0, Q) \subseteq Q_c. \tag{5.5}$$

Then (4.1_c) \Rightarrow (4.1), i.e., asymptotic stability of (2.2) implies the analogous property of (2.1).

Corollary 5.3: (4.1.I.ii). Let in (4.1) $\mathfrak{R}_2^0 = \emptyset$ and for all $t_0 \in T^0$ the conditions (5.3), (5.5), (a) be satisfied. Then \mathfrak{R}_{1c}^0 \mathfrak{R}_c -attractivity of (2.2) implies \mathfrak{R}_1^0 \mathfrak{R} -attractivity of (2.1).

Corollary 5.4: (4.1.I.iii). Let in (4.1) $\mathfrak{R} = \mathfrak{R}_2^0 = \mathfrak{R}^*$, $Q(t) \equiv \emptyset$, $M = P^0(t_0)$ and for all $t_0 \in T^0$ the conditions (5.3), (5.4) as well as conditions (a) are satisfied. Then stability of (2.2) implies stability of (2.1).

Corollary 5.5: (4.1.I.iv). Let in (4.1) $\mathfrak{R} = \{P\}$ -singl, $\mathfrak{R}^0 = \{P^0\}$ -singl, $Q(t) \equiv \emptyset$, $M = P^0(t_0)$. Assume that the conditions (a) are satisfied and for all $t_0 \in T^0$ the following conditions are valid:

$$v(t_0, P^0(t_0)) \subseteq P_c^0(t_0)$$

$$\forall t \geq t_0 \quad \forall x \in R^n \setminus P(t) \quad \forall y \in P_c(t) \quad v(t, x) \not\leq y.$$

Then $P_c P_c^0$ -estimation of (2.2) implies PP^0 -estimation of (2.1).

6. Examples

Let us consider some illustrative examples which have been analyzed in [2] also.

Example 6.1: For the following model

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_1' = x_2, \\ x_2' = -x_1 - \gamma x_1^3, \quad \gamma > 0 \text{ when } t \neq t_k \\ \Delta x_1 = \alpha_k x_1, \\ \Delta x_2 = \beta_k x_2 \end{array} \right. \quad \text{when } t = t_k \quad (6.1)$$

where $\Delta x_i = x_i(t_k^+) - x_i(t_k)$, $i = 1, 2$, let us use the function $v(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{2}x_1^2 + \frac{1}{4}\gamma x_2^4 + \frac{1}{2}x_2^2$.

Since $\bar{D}^+ v(x) = 0$, we obtain comparison system

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} y' = 0 \\ y(t_k^+) = y(t_k), \end{array} \right. \quad (6.2)$$

where second relationship is derived from majorizing of $v(x + \Delta x)$.

Condition (3.2) is satisfied if

$$v(x_1 + \alpha_k x_1, x_2 + \beta_k x_2) \leq v(x_1, x_2).$$

This can be satisfied by $\alpha_k \in [-1, 0]$, $\beta_k \in [-1, 0]$. Trivial solution of the comparison system (6.2) is stable. All other conditions of Corollary 5.4 are satisfied. Therefore, the trivial solution of the considered system is also stable.

In [2], the example like (6.1) has been analyzed not from the viewpoint of stability, but asymptotic stability and instability on the basis of some other theorems, which contain other conditions stated in terms of Lyapunov function (not in terms of comparison function and without comparison system).

Example 6.2: Consider the model

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} x'_1 = -2x_2 + x_2x_3 - x_1, \\ x'_2 = x_1 - x_1x_3 - x_3, \\ x'_3 = x_1x_2 - x_3, & \text{when } t \neq t_k \\ \Delta x_i = d_i x_3 & \text{when } t = t_k \end{array} \right. \quad (6.2)$$

where $t_k = kT$, $k \in N$, $T > 0$, $d_i > 0$, $i = 1, 2, 3$.

Let us use the function $v(x) = x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 + x_3^2$. Then we shall obtain $\bar{D}^+ v(x) = -2v(x)$ and the comparison system

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} y' - 2y \\ y(t_k^+) = \psi_k(y_k), \end{array} \right. \quad (6.4)$$

where ψ_k is subject to find.

Let $d_{max} = \max\{d_1, d_2, d_3\}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} v(x + I_k(x)) &= (1 + d_1)^2 x_1^2 + 2(1 + d_2)^2 x_2^2 + (1 + d_3)^2 x_3^2 \\ &\leq (1 + d_{max})^2 x_1^2 + 2(1 + d_{max})^2 x_2^2 + (1 + d_{max})^2 x_3^2 \\ &= (1 + d_{max})^2 v(x); \\ \psi_k &= (1 + d_{max})^2 y_k. \end{aligned}$$

Variation of y on T as decreasing is equal to $y(t_{k-1})(1 - e^{-2T})$, therefore $\Delta y = \psi_k(y_k) - y(t_k)$ has to be equal or less then $y(t_{k-1})(1 - e^{-2T})$ if we want to have stability of (6.4). Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta y &= y(t_k)(2d_{max} + d_{max}^2) = y(t_{k-1})e^{-2T}(2d_{max} + d_{max}^2) \\ &\leq y(t_{k-1})(1 - e^{-2T}) \end{aligned}$$

and therefore

$$d_{max} \leq e^T - 1.$$

If this inequality is valid, then the (6.3) is stable. In [2] the example (6.3) has been considered also from different viewpoint only for asymptotic stability and instability.

For asymptotic stability of (6.4) and as a consequence of the system (6.3), we require $\Delta y < y(t_{k-1})(1 - e^{-2T})$ strictly, i.e., $d_{max} < e^T - 1$. The last condition coincides with the same result of [2], but it was obtained by a different method (without comparison system and comparison function).

7. Conclusion

In this paper we have considered the system of impulsive differential equations (2.1) and its dynamical properties generalized by the definition (4.1). Under particular cases of choosing the sets contained in (4.1), it is possible to obtain definitions of such different classical dynamical properties as stability, attractivity, invariance, etc., as well as their various combinations like conjunctive property (4.1.II) of asymptotic stability, disjunctive property (4.1.I.i) stability or attractivity, and so on. We have obtained new sufficient conditions for (4.1), and such its particular cases as stability, attractivity and some other dynamic properties of impulsive differential equations (2.1) where time moments of impulsive effects are fixed. These criteria can be more preferable than known ones [1, 2], since in general, they can be easier to satisfy. For example, instead of conditions (3.4), (3.5) from [1] we require only (3.2). It is very easy to extend these results on different other dynamic properties. It is more difficult to analyze the model with unfixed moments of impulses, particularly when these moments depend on truth of some logical conditions. This logical-dynamic model will be considered in forthcoming papers.

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