

On Partial L^p -Stability

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1. Introduction

H. A. Antosiewicz [1] showed that if there exists a Liapunov function with a negative definite derivative for the system (E) $x' = f(t, x)$, then the zero solution of (E) is stable and every solution $x(t, t_0, x_0)$ starting with $\|x_0\|$ sufficiently small tends to zero on some sequence of points $t_n \rightarrow \infty$.

What further restrictions are necessary and sufficient for every solution to be integrable on the half-line to the right of the initial point t_0 ?

To provide an answer to this question, A. Strauss [2] introduced a new kind of stability, i. e., L^p -stability.

Many authors have discussed the L^p -stability (cf. [3], [4] and [5]). We also have obtained some results of L^p -stability in the large of nonlinear differential-difference equations [6].

In many applications, we need to see the qualities not of the whole solution but of the partial. C. Corduneanu [7] and A. Halanay [8] have obtained some results of the partial stability. And we presented several results concerning it in [9], [10], [11] and [12].

In this paper, we describe several results concerning the partial L^p -stability of the solutions of differential equations.

C. Corduneanu [13] and H. A. Antosiewicz [14] observed that the Liapunov's second method depends basically on the fact that a function $u(t)$ satisfying the inequality $u' \leq g(t, u(t))$ ($u(t_0) \leq r_0$) is majorized by the maximal solution of the scalar differential equation $(E') r' = g(t, r), r(t_0) = r_0$. As the comparison principle reduces the problem of determining the behavior of the solution of (E) to the solution of a scalar equation (E'), it is a very important tool in applications. It is particularly useful in dealing with a variety of qualitative problem, see for example [15]. We shall use this comparison technique for our results.

2. Notations and Definitions

Let R^+ denote the interval $[0, \infty)$ and R^k denote Euclidean k -space. For $x \in R^k$, let $\|x\|$ be any convenient norm, and we shall denote by S_ρ the set of x such that $\|x\| \leq \rho$. As usual, we shall use ' instead of d/dt .

Let E be an open (t, x) -set in R^{k+1} . We shall mean by $C[E, R^k]$ the class of continuous mappings from E into R^k . For brevity, K denotes the families of continuous increasing, positive definite functions.

Let us consider a differential system of the form

$$\begin{cases} x' = f_1(t, x, y), & x(t_0) = x_0, \\ y' = f_2(t, x, y), & y(t_0) = y_0, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where $f_1 \in C[J \times R^n \times R^m, R^n]$, $f_2 \in C[J \times R^n \times R^m, R^m]$ and J is a t -interval containing t_0 . Let us denote a solution of (1) by $x(t) = x(t, t_0, x_0, y_0)$, $y(t) = y(t, t_0, x_0, y_0)$.

We define the function

$$D^+V(t, x, y) = \limsup_{h \rightarrow +0} \frac{1}{h} \{V(t+h, x+hf_1(t, x, y), y+hf_2(t, x, y)) - V(t, x, y)\}$$

for $(t, x, y) \in J \times R^n \times R^m$.

Further, we consider a scalar differential equation

$$u' = g(t, u), \quad u(t_0) = u_0, \tag{2}$$

where $g \in C[J \times R^+, R]$ and $g(t, 0) = 0 \quad (\forall t \in J)$.

(Definition 1) The zero solution of (1) is said to be partially L^p -stable with respect to x if it is partially stable with respect to x and there exists a $\delta_0 = \delta_0(t_0) > 0$ such that $\|x_0\| + \|y_0\| \leq \delta_0$ implies

$$\int_{t_0}^{\infty} \|x(t, t_0, x_0, y_0)\|^p dt < \infty. \tag{3}$$

(Definition 2) The zero solution of (1) is said to be partially uniformly L^p -stable with respect to x if it is partially uniformly stable with respect to x , the δ_0 in Definition 1 is independent of t_0 and the integral (3) converges uniformly in t_0 .

(Definition 3) The zero solution $u=0$ of (2) is said to be L^1 -stable if it is stable and there exists a $\delta_1 = \delta_1(t_0) > 0$ such that $u_0 \leq \delta_1$ implies

$$\int_{t_0}^{\infty} u(t, t_0, u_0) dt < \infty. \tag{4}$$

(Definition 4) The zero solution $u=0$ of (2) is said to be uniformly L^1 -stable if it is uniformly stable, the δ_1 in Definition 3 is independent of t_0 and the integral (4) converges uniformly in t_0 .

Preliminary Results

[Theorem 1] Let $V \in C[J \times R^n \times R^m, R^+]$ and $V(t, x, y)$ be locally Lipschitzian in x and y . Assume that the function $D^+V(t, x, y)$ satisfies

$$D^+V(t, x, y) \leq g(t, V(t, x, y)), \quad (t, x, y) \in J \times S_\rho \times R^m,$$

where $g \in C[J \times R, R]$. Let $r(t)$ be the maximal solution of (2).

If $(x(t), y(t))$ is any solution of (1) such that $V(t_0, x_0, y_0) \leq u_0$, then $V(t, x(t), y(t)) \leq r(t)$ for any $t \geq t_0$.

For the proof, see [5].

[Theorem 2] Assume that there exist functions $V(t, x, y)$ and $g(t, u)$ satisfying the following conditions;

(i) $V \in C[J \times S_\rho \times R^m, R^+]$, $V(t, 0, 0) = 0 \quad (\forall t \in J)$ and $V(t, x, y)$ is locally Lipschitzian in x and y , $g \in C[J \times R^+, R]$ and $g(t, 0) = 0 \quad (\forall t \in J)$,

(ii) $a(t, \|x\|) \leq V(t, x, y)$, where $a \in C[J \times R^+, R^+]$ is increases monotonically with respect to t for each fixed r , $a(t, 0) = 0 \quad (\forall t \in J)$ and $a(t, r) > 0$ for $r \neq 0$.

(iii) $D^+V(t, x, y) \leq g(t, V(t, x, y)), \quad (t, x, y) \in J \times S_\rho \times R^m$.

Then the stability of the zero solution of (2) implies the partial stability with respect to x of the zero solution of (1).

For the proof, see [11].

[Theorem 3] Assume that there exist functions $V(t, x, y)$ and $g(t, u)$ satisfying the following conditions;

(i) $V \in C[J \times S_\rho \times R^m, R^+]$, $V(t, 0, 0) = 0 \quad (\forall t \in J)$ and $V(t, x, y)$ is locally Lipschitzian in x

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and $y, g \in C[J \times R^+, R]$ and $g(t, 0) = 0$ ($\forall t \in J$),

(ii) $a(t, \|x\|) \leq V(t, x, y) \leq b(\|x\| + \|y\|)$, where $a \in C[J \times R^+, R^+]$ is increases monotonically with respect to t for each fixed r , $a(t, 0) = 0$ ($\forall t \in J$) and $a(t, r) > 0$ for $r \neq 0$, and $b \in K$.

(iii) $D^+V(t, x, y) \leq g(t, V(t, x, y))$, $(t, x, y) \in J \times S_\rho \times R^m$.

Then the uniformly stable of the zero solution of (2) implies partially uniformly stable with respect to x of the zero solution of (1).

For the proof, see [11].

【Theorem 4】 Assume that there exists a function $V(t, x, y)$ satisfying the following conditions;

(i) $V \in C[J \times S_\rho \times R^m, R^+]$, $V(t, 0, 0) = 0$ ($\forall t \in J$) and locally Lipschitzian in x and y ,

(ii) $a(t, \|x\|) \leq V(t, x, y)$, where $a \in C[J \times R^+, R^+]$ is increases monotonically with respect to t for each fixed r , $a(t, 0) = 0$ ($\forall t \in J$) and $a(t, r) > 0$ for $r \neq 0$,

(iii) $D^+V(t, x, y) \leq 0$.

Then the zero solution of (1) is partially stable with respect to x .

For the proof, see [10].

【Theorem 5】 Assume that there exists a function $V(t, x, y)$ satisfying the following conditions;

(i) $V \in C[J \times S_\rho \times R^m, R^+]$, $V(t, 0, 0) = 0$ ($\forall t \in J$) and locally Lipschitzian in x and y ,

(ii) $a(t, \|x\|) \leq V(t, x, y) \leq b(\|x\| + \|y\|)$, where $a \in C[J \times R^+, R^+]$ is increases monotonically with respect to t for each fixed r , $a(t, 0) = 0$ ($\forall t \in J$) and $a(t, r) > 0$ for $r \neq 0$, and $b \in K$.

(iii) $D^+V(t, x, y) \leq 0$.

Then the zero solution of (1) is partially uniformly stable with respect to x .

<Proof> For any $\epsilon > 0$, we can choose a $\delta(\epsilon) > 0$ such that $\|x_0\| + \|y_0\| < \delta$ implies $b(\delta) < a(0, \epsilon)$, because $b(r) \in K$.

Suppose that there exists some t_1 such that $\|x_0\| + \|y_0\| < \delta$ implies $\|x(t_1, t_0, x_0, y_0)\| = \epsilon$, $t_1 > t_0$. From the conditons (ii) and (iii), we have

$$\begin{aligned} a(0, \epsilon) &\leq a(t_1, \epsilon) \\ &\leq V(t_1, x(t_1), y(t_1)) \\ &\leq V(t_0, x(t_0), y(t_0)) \\ &\leq b(\|x_0\| + \|y_0\|) \\ &< b(\delta) \\ &< a(0, \epsilon) \end{aligned}$$

This is contradiction. Therefore, the zero solution of (1) is partially uniformly stable with respect to x .

Main Results

【Theorem 6】 Assume that there exist functions $V(t, x, y)$ and $g(t, u)$ satisfying the following conditions;

(i) $g \in C[J \times R^+, R]$ and $g(t, 0) = 0$ ($\forall t \in J$),

(ii) $V \in C[J \times S_\rho \times R^m, R^+]$, $V(t, 0, 0) = 0$ ($\forall t \in J$), $V(t, x, y)$ is locally Lipschitzian in x and y , and $A\|x\|^p \leq V(t, x, y)$, $A > 0$, $(t, x, y) \in J \times S_\rho \times R^m$,

(iii) $D^+V(t, x, y) \leq g(t, V(t, x, y))$, $(t, x, y) \in J \times S_\rho \times R^m$.

Then the L^1 -stability of the zero solution of (2) implies the partial L^p -stability with respect to x of the zero solution of (1).

<Proof> Since the zero solution $u=0$ of (2) is L^1 -stable, it is stable and there exists a $\delta_1(t_0)$ such that $u_0 \leq \delta_1$ implies (4). By Theorem 2, the zero solution of (1) is partially stable with respect to x .

We shall show that there exists a $\delta_0 = \delta_0(t_0)$ such that $\|x_0\| + \|y_0\| < \delta_0$ implies (3). Since $V(t, x, y)$ is continuous and $V(t, 0, 0) = 0$ ($\forall t \in J$), for given δ_1 and any $t_0 \in J$, there exists a positive number $\delta_0(t_0)$ satisfying the inequalities $\|x_0\| + \|y_0\| < \delta_0$, $V(t_0, x_0, y_0) \leq \delta_1$ together. We set $u_0 = V(t_0, x_0, y_0)$. By using condition (ii) and Theorem 1, we have

$$V(t, x(t, t_0, x_0, y_0), y(t, t_0, x_0, y_0)) \leq r(t, t_0, u_0), \quad t \geq t_0,$$

where $(x(t), y(t))$ is any solution of (1) such that $\|x_0\| + \|y_0\| < \delta_0$ and $r(t, t_0, u_0)$ is maximal solution of (2). From this, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} A \|x(t)\|^p &\leq V(t, x(t), y(t)) \\ &\leq r(t, t_0, u_0) \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$\int_{t_0}^{\infty} \|x(t, t_0, x_0, y_0)\|^p dt \leq 1/A \int_{t_0}^{\infty} r(t, t_0, u_0) dt < \infty.$$

Thus, the proof is complete.

【Theorem 7】 Assume that there exist functions $V(t, x, y)$ and $g(t, u)$ satisfying the following conditions;

- (i) $g \in C[J \times R^+, R]$ and $g(t, 0) = 0$ ($\forall t \in J$),
- (ii) $V \in C[J \times S_\rho \times R^m, R^+]$, $V(t, 0, 0) = 0$ ($\forall t \in J$), $V(t, x, y)$ is locally Lipschitzian in x and y , $A \|x\|^p \leq V(t, x, y) \leq b(\|x\| + \|y\|)$, $A > 0$, $b \in K$,
- (iii) $D^+ V(t, x, y) \leq g(t, V(t, x, y))$, $(t, x, y) \in J \times S_\rho \times R^m$.

Then the uniform L^1 -stability of the zero solution of (2) implies the partially uniform L^p -stability with respect to x of the zero solution of (1).

<Proof> From Theorem 3, the zero solution of (1) is partially uniformly stable with respect to x . Since the zero solution of (2) is uniformly L^1 -stable, there exists a $\delta_1(\epsilon)$ such that $u_0 \leq \delta_1$ implies (4) and the integral (4) converges uniformly in t_0 . To prove that the integral (3) converges uniformly in t_0 , we follow the proof of Theorem 6 and choose $u_0 = b(\|x_0\| + \|y_0\|)$, thereby deducing $\delta_0 = b^{-1}(\delta_1)$. It is evident that δ_0 is independent of t_0 and the integral (3) converges uniformly in t_0 .

【Theorem 8】 Assume that there exists a function $V(t, x, y)$ satisfying the following conditions;

- (i) $V \in C[J \times S_\rho \times R^m, R^+]$, $V(t, 0, 0) = 0$ ($\forall t \in J$) and locally Lipschitzian in x and y ,
- (ii) $a(t, \|x\|) \leq V(t, x, y)$, where $a \in C[J \times R^+, R^+]$ is increases monotonically with respect to t each fixed r , $a(t, 0) = 0$ ($\forall t \in J$) and $a(t, r) > 0$ for $r \neq 0$,
- (iii) $D^+ V(t, x, y) \leq -C \|x\|^p$, $(t, x, y) \in J \times S_\rho \times R^m$, $C > 0$.

Then the zero solution of (1) is partially L^p -stable with respect to x .

<Proof> By Theorem 4, it follows that the zero solution of (1) is partially stable with respect to x . Hence, there exists a $\delta_0 = \delta_0(t_0) > 0$ such that if $\|x_0\| + \|y_0\| \leq \delta_0$, then $(t, x(t, t_0, x_0, y_0)) \in J \times S_\rho$ for $t \geq t_0$. Define

$$m(t) = V(t, x(t, t_0, x_0, y_0), y(t, t_0, x_0, y_0)) + C \int_{t_0}^t \|x(t, t_0, x_0, y_0)\|^p dt.$$

By condition (iii), we have

$$m'(t) = D^+ V(t, x(t, t_0, x_0, y_0), y(t, t_0, x_0, y_0)) + C \|x(t, t_0, x_0, y_0)\|^p \leq 0.$$

This implies that $m(t)$ is nonincreasing, therefore

$$\begin{aligned} m(t) &\leq m(t_0) \\ \int_{t_0}^{\infty} \|x(t, t_0, x_0, y_0)\|^p dt &\leq m(t_0)/C = V(t_0, x_0, y_0)/C \quad \text{for } t \geq t_0. \end{aligned}$$

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Thus the proof is completed.

【Theorem 9】 Assume that there exists a function $V(t,x,y)$ satisfying the following conditions;

- (i) $V \in C[J \times S_\rho \times R^m, R^+]$, $V(t,0,0) = 0$ ($\forall t \in J$) and locally Lipschitzian in x and y ,
- (ii) $a(t, \|x\|) \leq V(t,x,y)$, where $a \in C[J \times R^+, R^+]$ is increases monotonically with respect to t for each fixed r , $a(t,0) = 0$ ($\forall t \in J$) and $a(t,r) > 0$ for $r \neq 0$
- (iii) $D^+V(t,x,y) \leq -C \|x\|^p$, $(t,x,y) \in J \times S_\rho \times R^m$, $C > 0$.

Then the zero solution of (1) is partially uniformly L^p -stable with respect to x .

<Proof> Condition (iii), in virtue of (ii), reduces to $D^+V(t, x, y) \leq g(t, V(t, x, y))$, where $g(t,u) = -(C/B)u$, and hence it is easy to check that the solution $u = 0$ of (2) is uniformly L^1 - stable. Therefore, from Theorem 7, the zero solution of (1) is partially uniformly L^p - stable with respect to x .

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